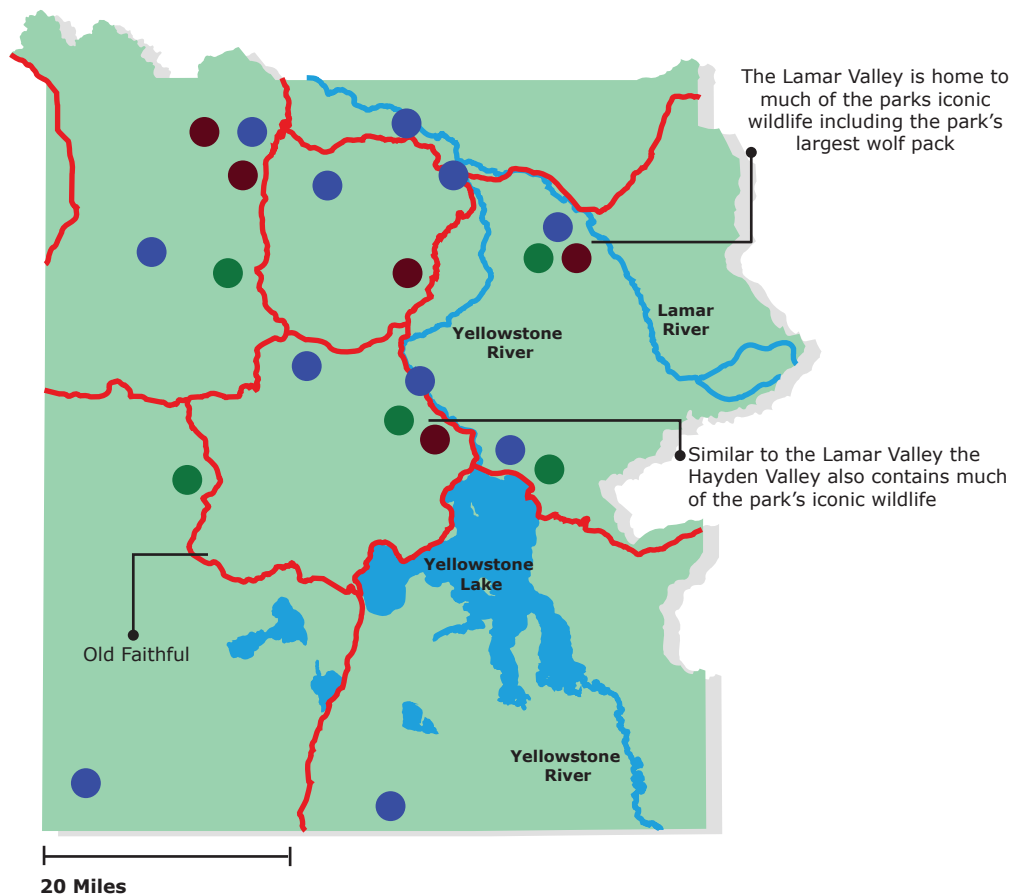


# Yellowstone Reflects National Trend in Recovery of Protected Species

Since it was founded as a national park Yellowstone has gone from having only a handful of bison, grizzly bears and gray wolves to being one of the most sought after locations to see these animals in their natural habitats due to conservation efforts on behalf of the park.

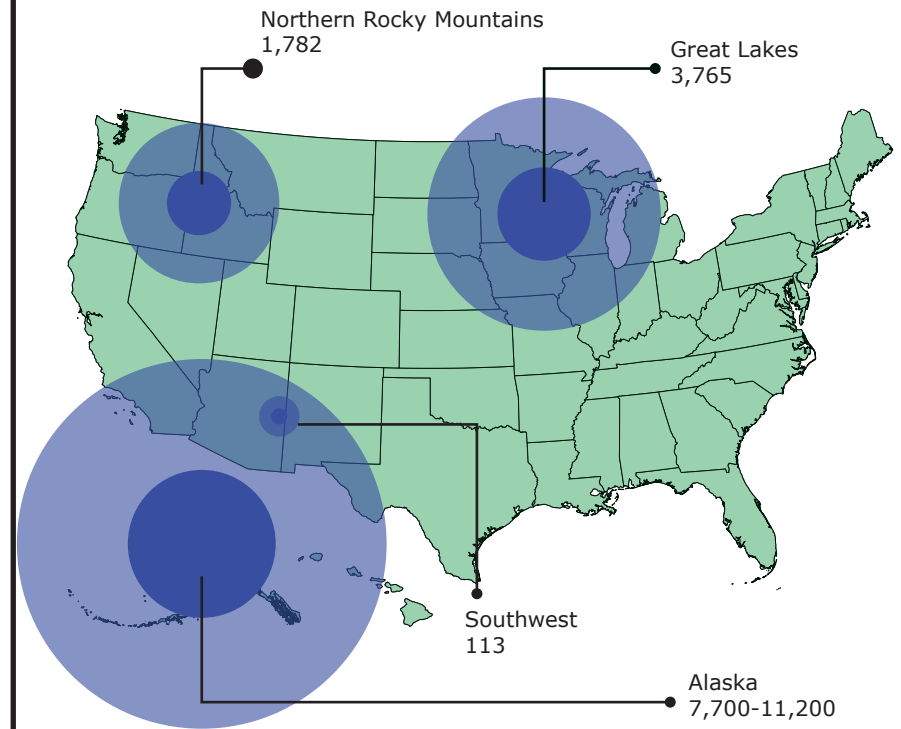
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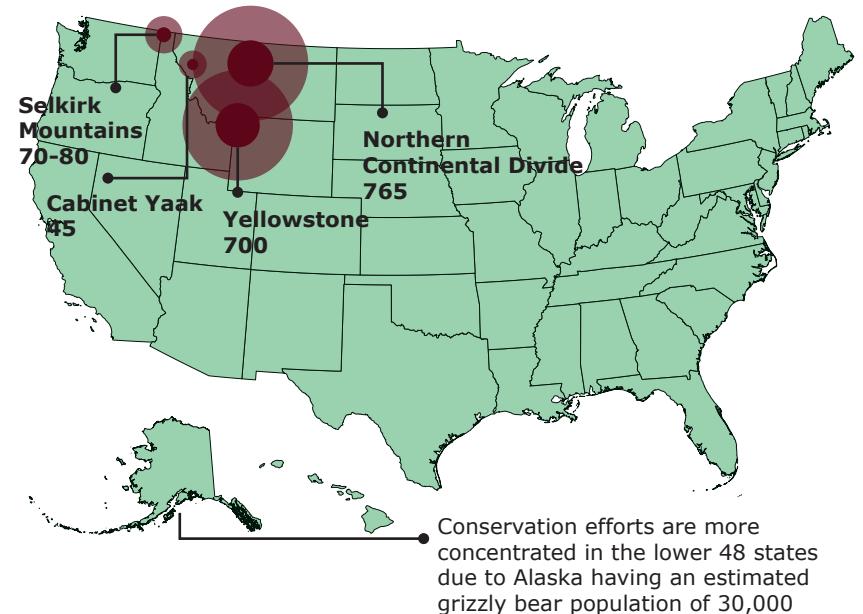
As a whole Yellowstone is home to 108 gray wolves, 3,500 bison and anywhere between 700 to 1,200 grizzly bears.

## Protected Species Populations Across the US

### U.S. Gray Wolf Population



### U.S. Grizzly Bear Population



US bison populations can be complicated to track due to varied ownership and mixed genetics with common cattle. There are an estimated 500,000 bison across North America, but only around 30,000 are held for conservation purposes. However, there are 17 publicly held herds across the US.