

# NATIONAL PARK SERVICE BIODIVERSITY DATA

Analysis and observations

# CONSERVATION CONCERNS

Using datasets to test hypotheses

# RAW DATA SAMPLE — CONSERVATION DATA

Classification	Species name	Common name	Conservation Status
Mammal	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Northern Long-Eared Bat	Threatened
Vascular Plant	<i>Geum radiatum</i>	Mountain Avens	Endangered
Fish	<i>Percina squamata</i>	Olive Darter	Species of Concern
Bird	<i>Falco peregrinus anatum</i>	American Peregrine Falcon	In Recovery

# CONSERVATION STATUS — GLOBAL SUMMARY

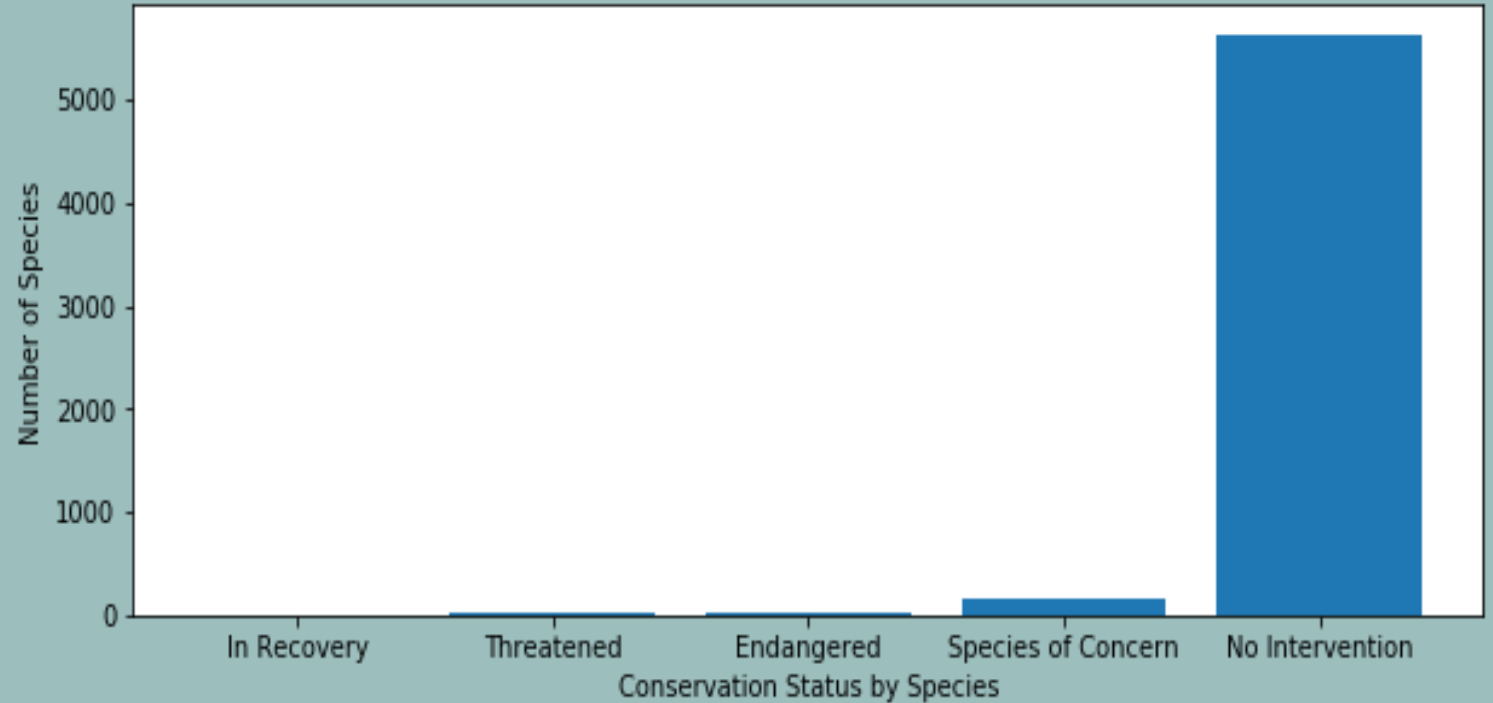
Data contains 5,541 species

Ranging over 7 Scientific Classes

5 Conservation categories

No Intervention = 'Not Protected'

All other statuses = 'Protected'



# INTERVENTION PERCENTAGES BY CLASS

- Amphibian (*Amphibia*) → 8.9% Protected
- Bird (*Aves*) → 15.4% Protected
- Fish (Inclusive) → 8.7% Protected
- Mammal (*Mammalia*) → 17% Protected
- Nonvascular plant (Inclusive) → 1.5% Protected
- Vascular plant (Inclusive) → 1.1% Protected
- Reptile (*Reptilia*) → 6.4% Protected

# DEMONSTRATIVE SIGNIFICANCE TESTS

## Selected comparisons

➤ Mammal / Bird	➤ 0.69 / No (Not significant)
➤ Mammal / Reptile	➤ 0.04 / Yes (Significant)
➤ Amphibian / Fish	➤ 0.82 / No (Not significant)
➤ Non-Vascular / Vascular plant	➤ 0.66 / No (Not significant)
➤ Reptile / Fish	➤ 0.74 / No (Not significant)
➤ Bird / Reptile	➤ 0.53 / Subjective (Threshold)
➤ Bird / Vascular plant	➤ $4.61 \times 10^{-79}$ / Yes (Significant)

## $\chi^2$ p value / $H_0$ rejected?

## Method and recommendations

Define conservation concerns and establish contingency table using available data

Perform chi-squared test to determine if class comparisons are correlational

Accept or reject null hypothesis based on results

# FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE STUDY

Using observational data to  
evaluate remedial programs

# RAW DATA SAMPLE — PARK OBSERVATION DATA

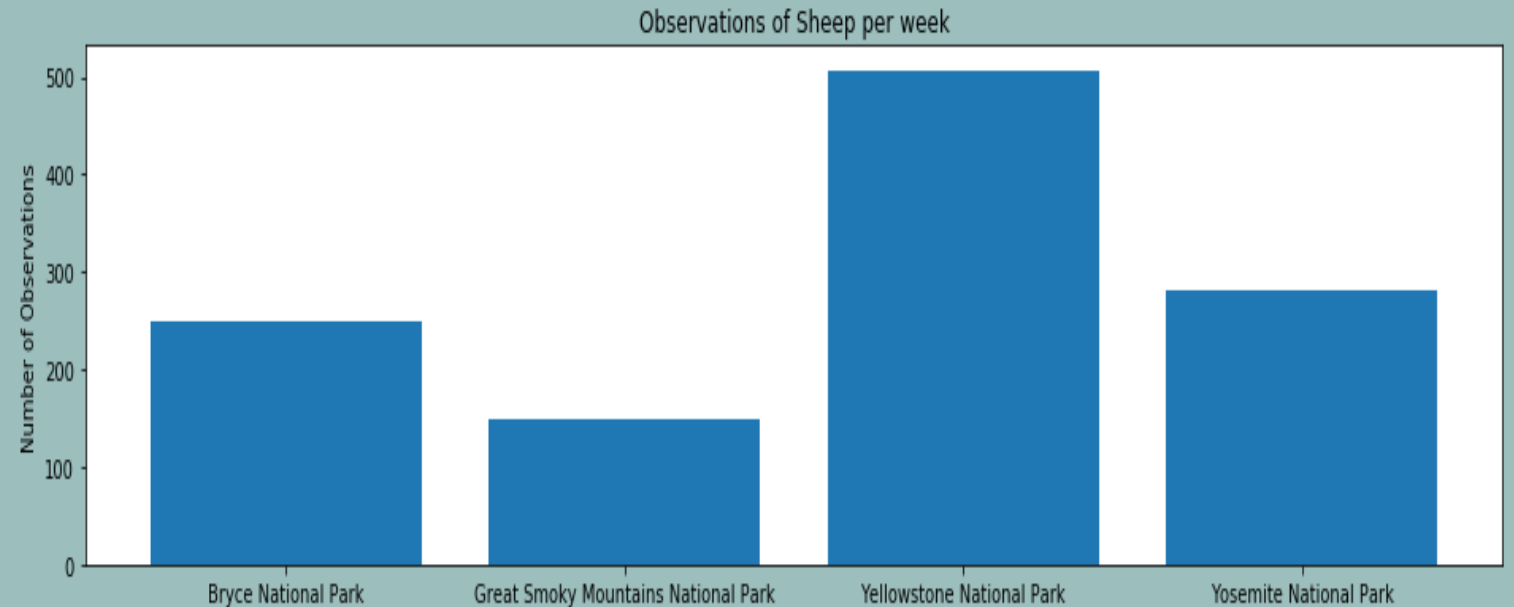
Species name	Park name	Observations
Vicia benghalensis	Great Smoky Mountains National Park	68
Prunus subcordata	Yosemite National Park	138
Abutilon theophrasti	Bryce National Park	84

Note that shown data includes only the scientific names of observed species. As such, the conservation dataset was used in this study in order to properly identify relevant sheep species.

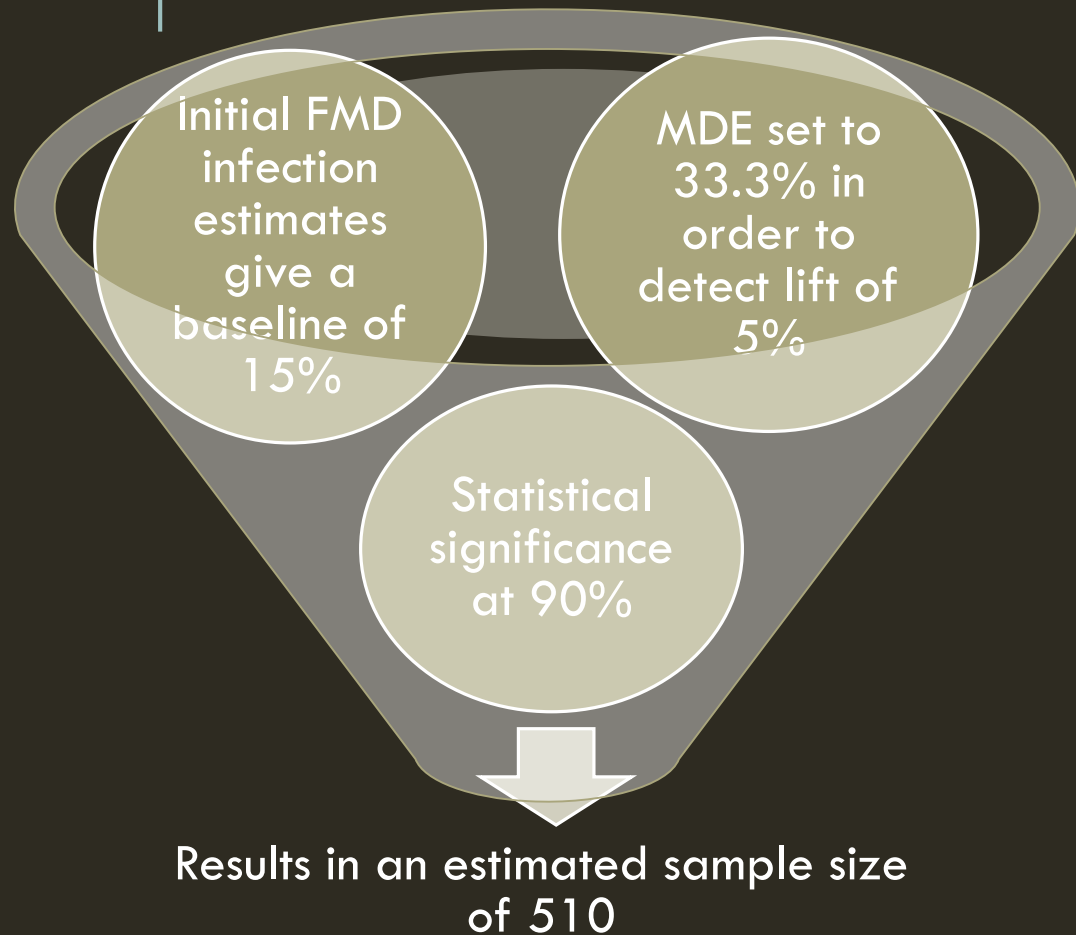


# OBSERVATIONS — GLOBAL SUMMARY

- Combined datasets
- 1,188 total sheep observations
- Over 4 national parks
- During the span of 7 days
- Data utilized to test efficacy of FMD reduction program



# FMD STUDY — METHOD AND RESULTS



- ❑ 510 sheep observations over the 4 national parks must be made to confidently assess levels of post-program FMD
- ❑ At current observation rates, the approximate assessment time for each park:
  - Bryce — 2 weeks
  - Great Smoky Mountains — 3.5 weeks
  - Yellowstone — 1 week
  - Yosemite — 2 weeks