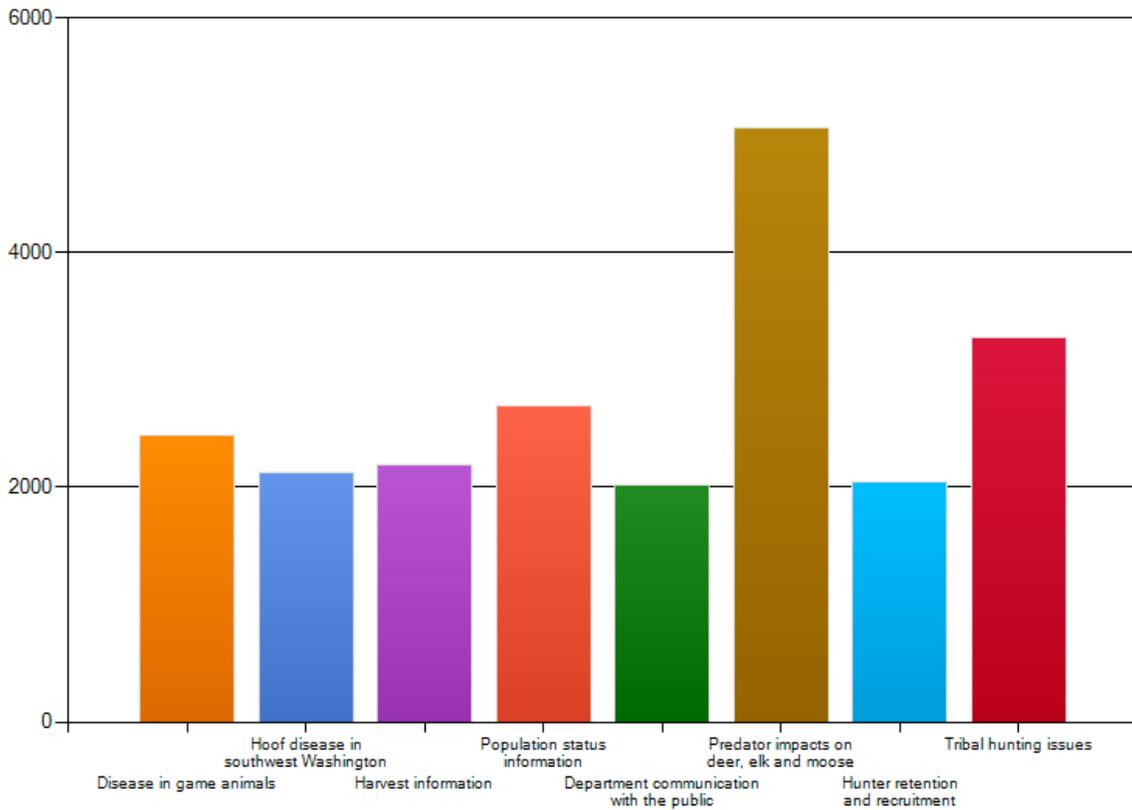


2015 - 2021 Game Management Plan Questionnaire

Game management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Disease in game animals	33.4%	2440
Hoof disease in southwest Washington	29.1%	2129
Harvest information	29.9%	2188
Population status information	36.8%	2691
Department communication with the public	27.7%	2023
Predator impacts on deer, elk and moose	69.3%	5066
Hunter retention and recruitment	28.0%	2047
Tribal hunting issues	44.9%	3282
<i>answered question</i>		7309
<i>skipped question</i>		748

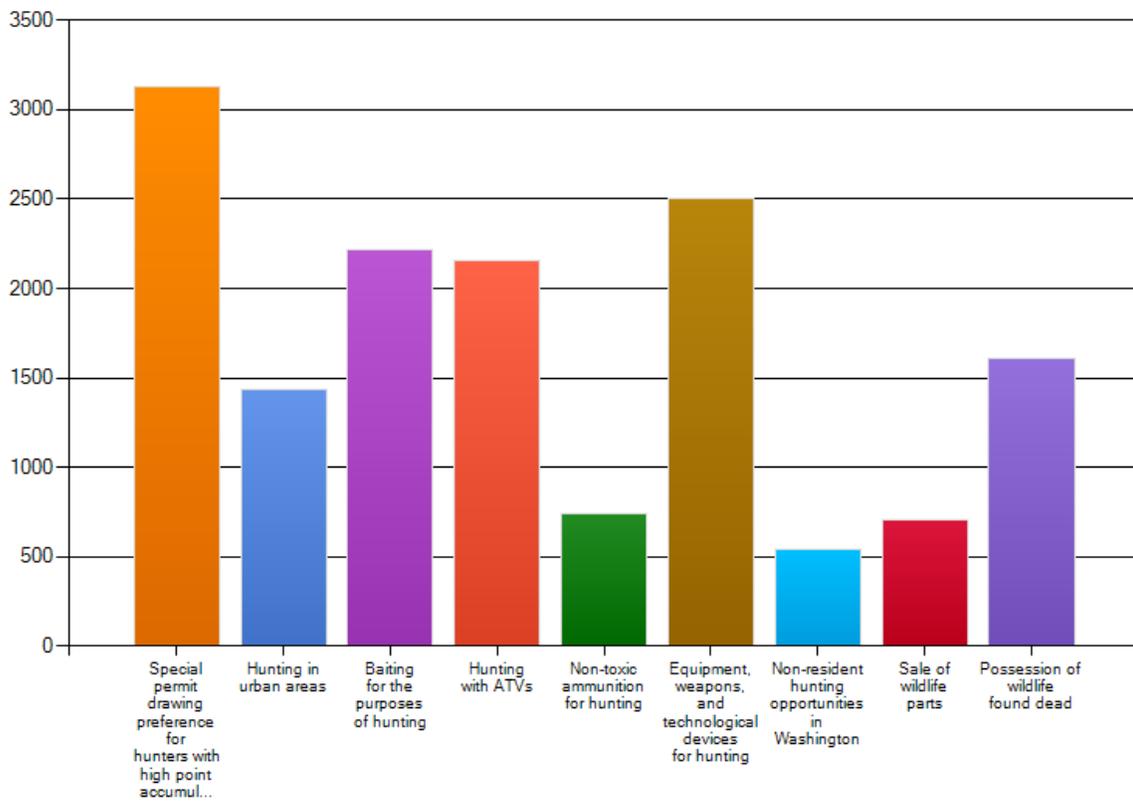
Game management issues the Department should address



Hunting Regulation issues the Department should address

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Special permit drawing preference for hunters with high	50.1%	3216
Hunting in urban areas	23.1%	1484
Baiting for the purposes of hunting	36.1%	2319
Hunting with ATVs	35.2%	2259
Non-toxic ammunition for hunting	12.3%	793
Equipment, weapons, and technological devices for	40.0%	2572
Non-resident hunting opportunities in Washington	8.8%	563
Sale of wildlife parts	11.7%	754
Possession of wildlife found dead	25.8%	1657
answered question		6425
skipped question		1632

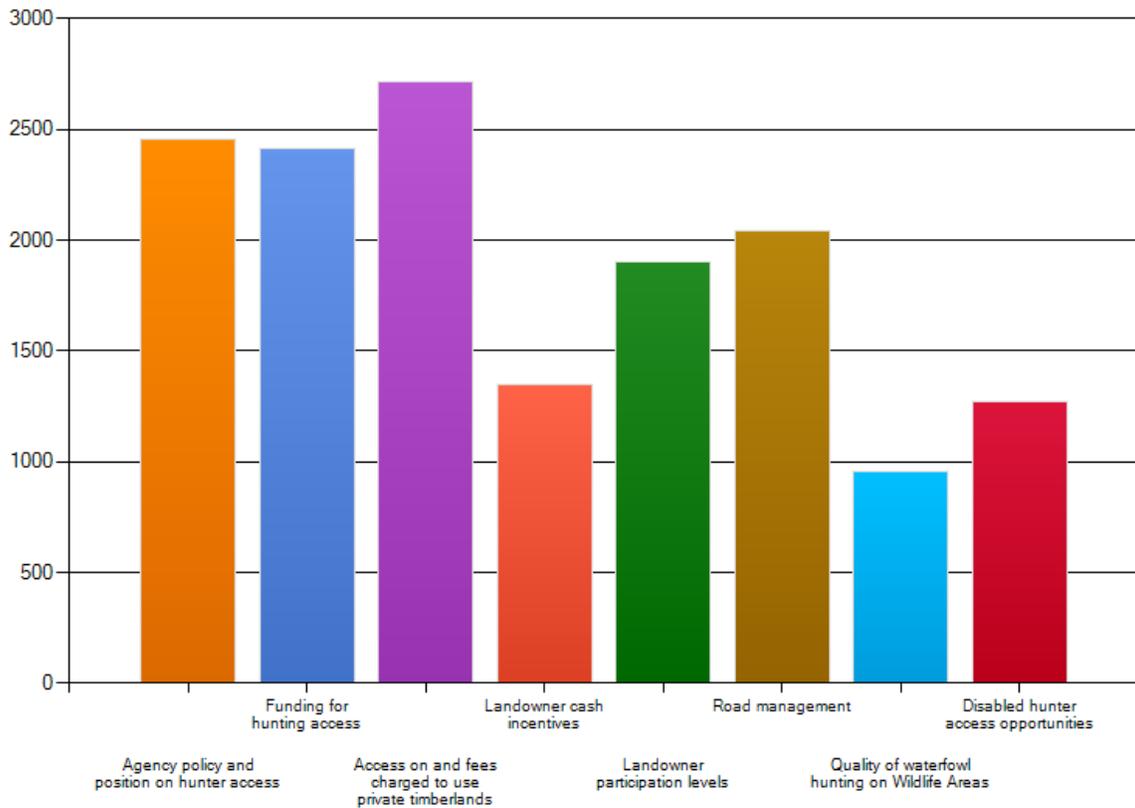
Hunting Regulation issues the Department should address



Recreational Hunting Access issues the Department should address

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agency policy and position on hunter access	42.1%	2534
Funding for hunting access	41.4%	2492
Access on and fees charged to use private timberlands	46.4%	2795
Landowner cash incentives	23.1%	1390
Landowner participation levels	32.8%	1971
Road management	34.9%	2103
Quality of waterfowl hunting on Wildlife Areas	16.5%	990
Disabled hunter access opportunities	21.7%	1308
<i>answered question</i>		6018
<i>skipped question</i>		2039

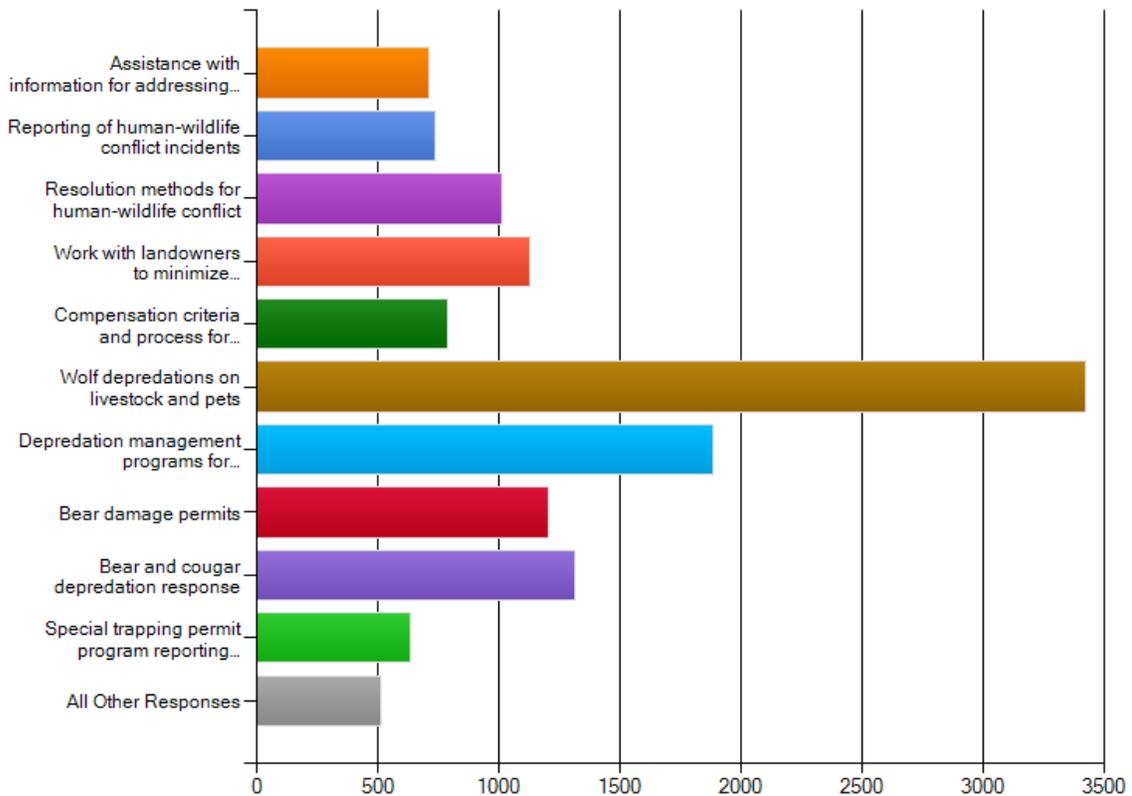
Recreational Hunting Access issues the Department should address



Wildlife Conflict issues the Department should address

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Assistance with information for addressing wildlife	14.2%	735
Reporting of human-wildlife conflict incidents	14.4%	745
Resolution methods for human-wildlife conflict	20.7%	1068
Work with landowners to minimize human-wildlife	23.2%	1198
Compensation criteria and process for wildlife related	16.0%	825
Wolf depredations on livestock and pets	67.7%	3495
Depredation management programs for bear and	37.4%	1928
Bear damage permits	23.8%	1226
Bear and cougar depredation response	25.9%	1337
Special trapping permit program reporting and	12.6%	648
Wildlife conflict operator training/availability	10.4%	536
<i>answered question</i>		5161
<i>skipped question</i>		2896

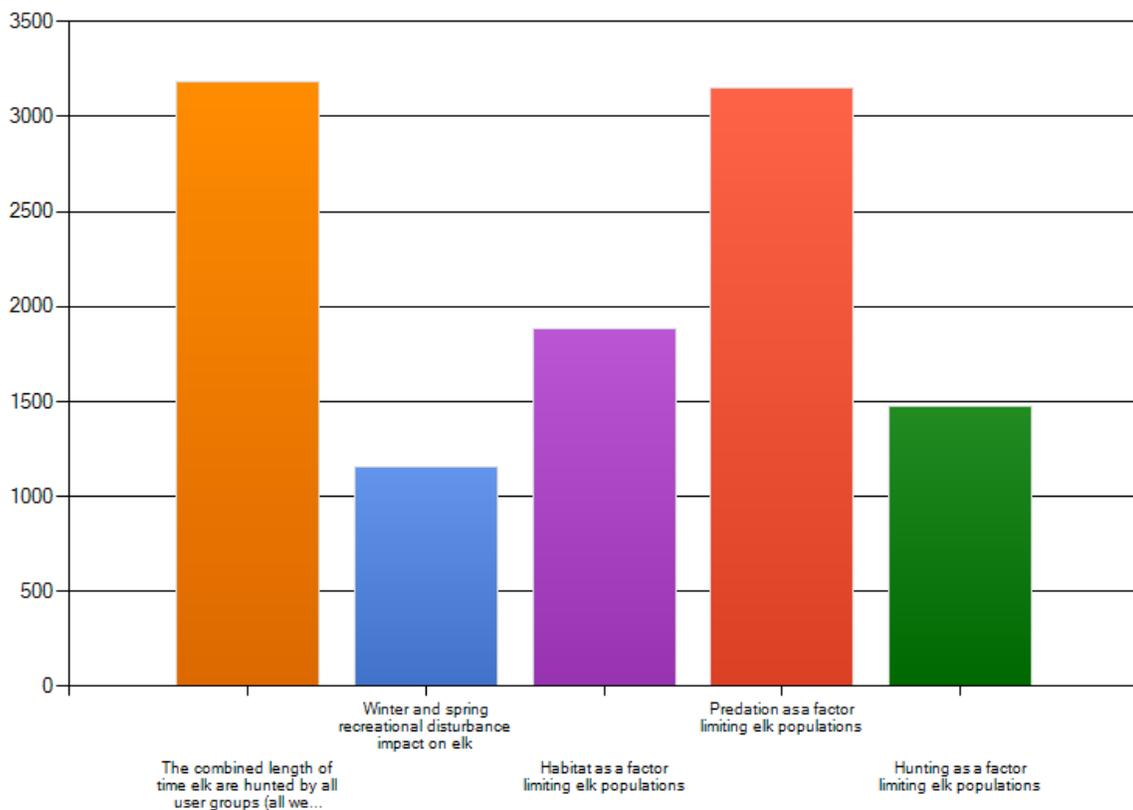
Wildlife Conflict issues the Department should address



Elk Management:

Elk management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
The combined length of time elk are hunted by all user	56.6%	3303
Winter and spring recreational disturbance impact on	20.5%	1199
Habitat as a factor limiting elk populations	33.4%	1950
Predation as a factor limiting elk populations	54.8%	3199
Hunting as a factor limiting elk populations	26.3%	1537
<i>answered question</i>		5838
<i>skipped question</i>		2219

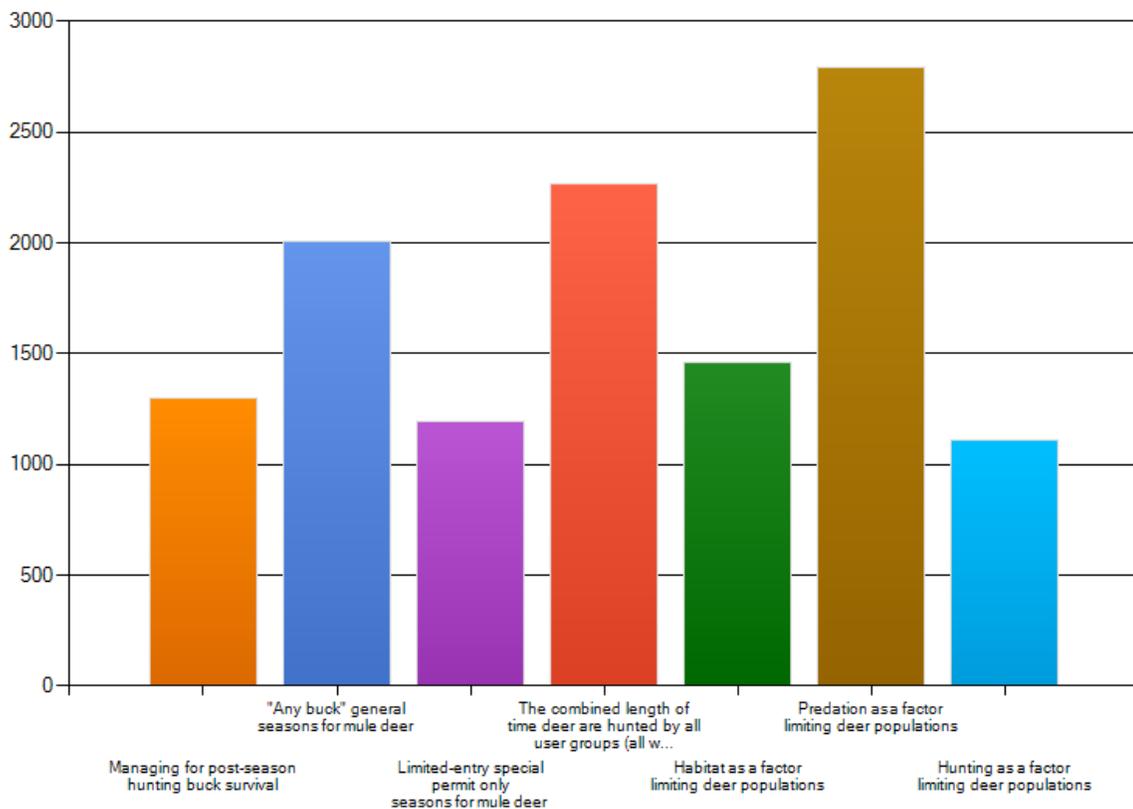
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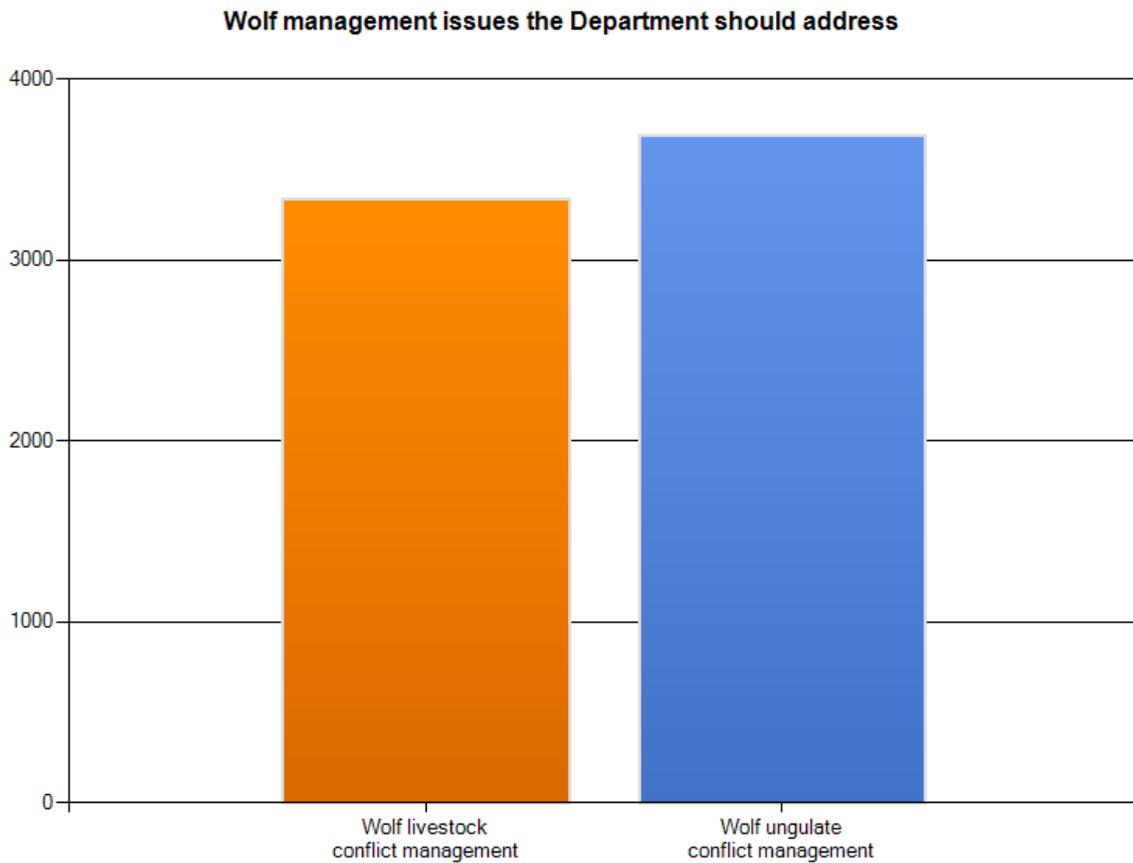
Deer management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Managing for post-season hunting buck survival	22.8%	1322
"Any buck" general seasons for mule deer	36.1%	2093
Limited-entry special permit only seasons for mule deer	21.3%	1235
The combined length of time deer are hunted by all user	40.6%	2357
Habitat as a factor limiting deer populations	26.0%	1510
Predation as a factor limiting deer populations	48.8%	2828
Hunting as a factor limiting deer populations	19.8%	1148
answered question		5799
skipped question		2258

Deer management issues the Department should address



Wolf Management:

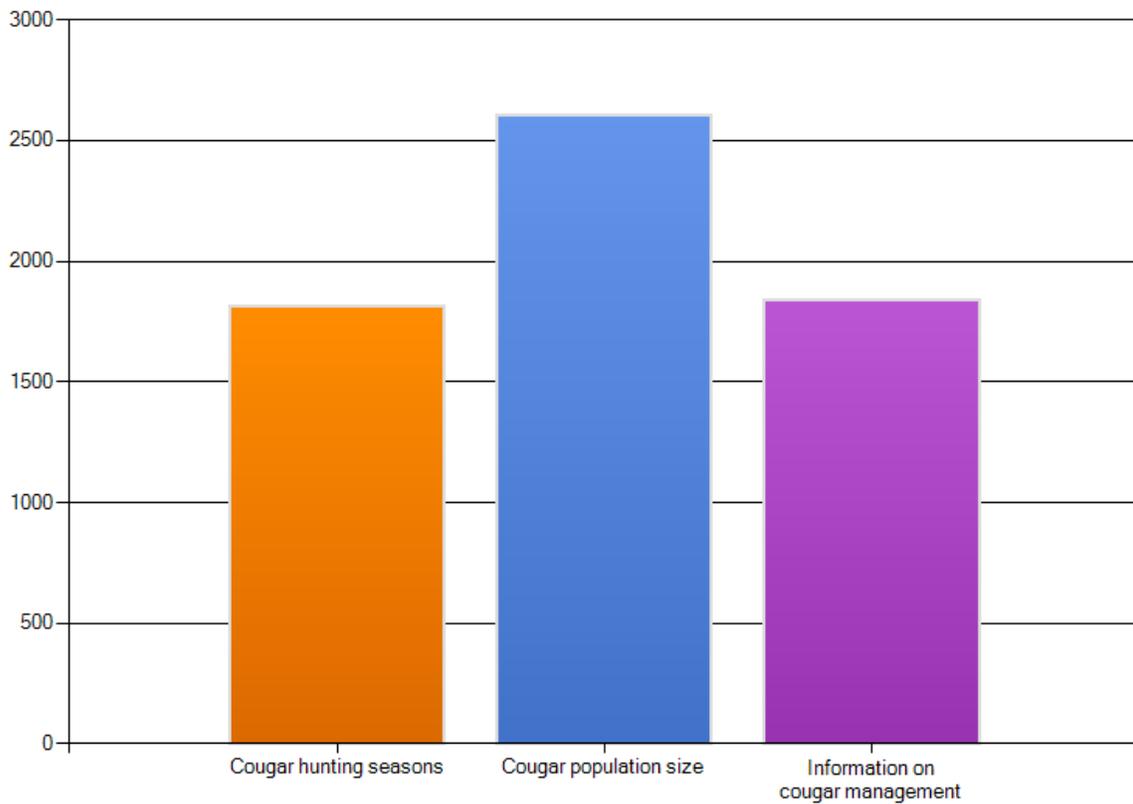
Wolf management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Wolf livestock conflict management	72.8%	3444
Wolf ungulate conflict management	79.6%	3763
<i>answered question</i>		4728
<i>skipped question</i>		3329



Cougar Management:

Cougar management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Cougar hunting seasons	47.9%	1849
Cougar population size	68.9%	2660
Information on cougar management	48.7%	1880
<i>answered question</i>		3858
<i>skipped question</i>		4199

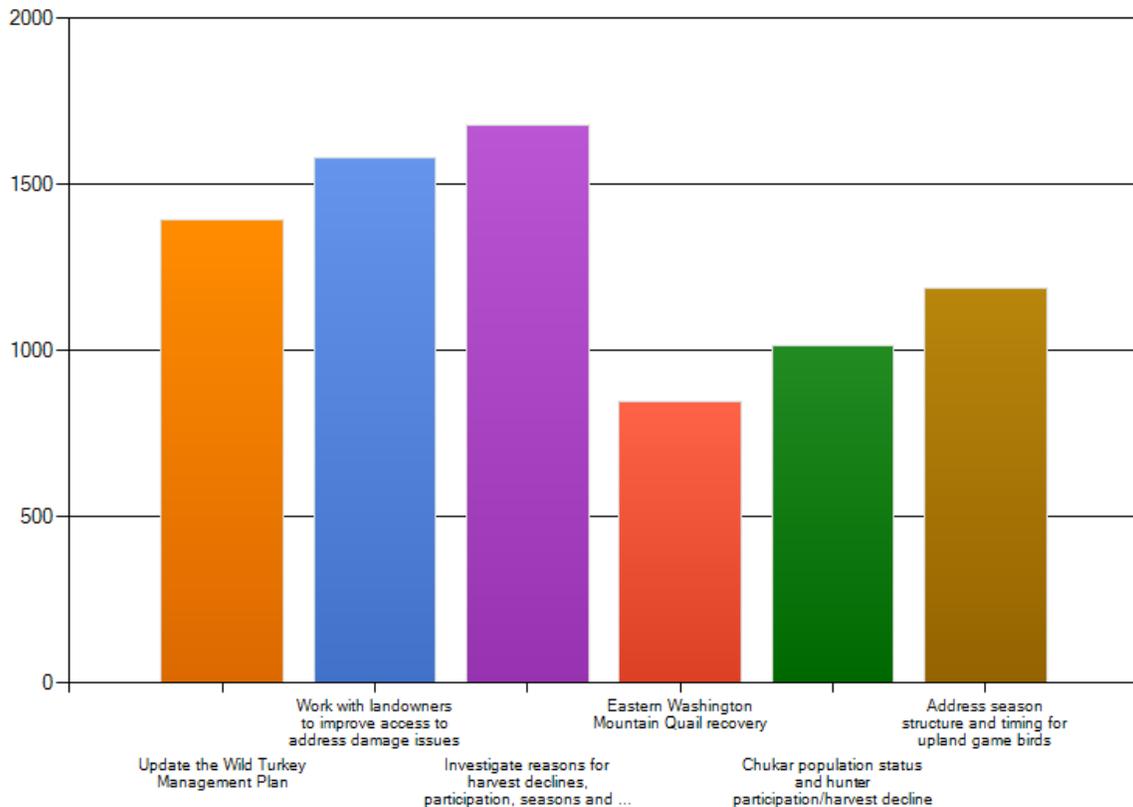
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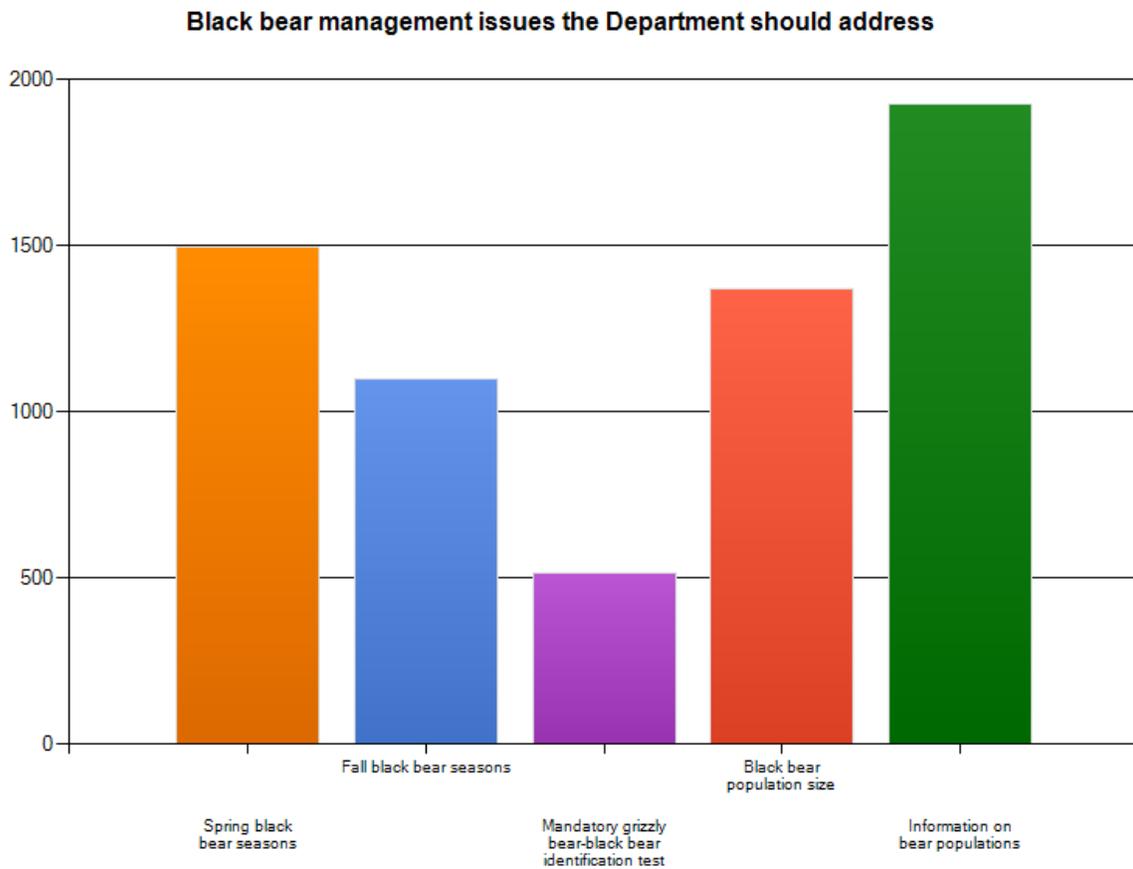
Small game management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Update the Wild Turkey Management Plan	39.7%	1431
Work with landowners to improve access to address	45.1%	1626
Investigate reasons for harvest declines, participation,	47.9%	1726
Eastern Washington Mountain Quail recovery	24.5%	884
Chukar population status and hunter	29.2%	1051
Address season structure and timing for upland game	34.4%	1238
	answered question	3602
	skipped question	4455

Small game management issues the Department should address



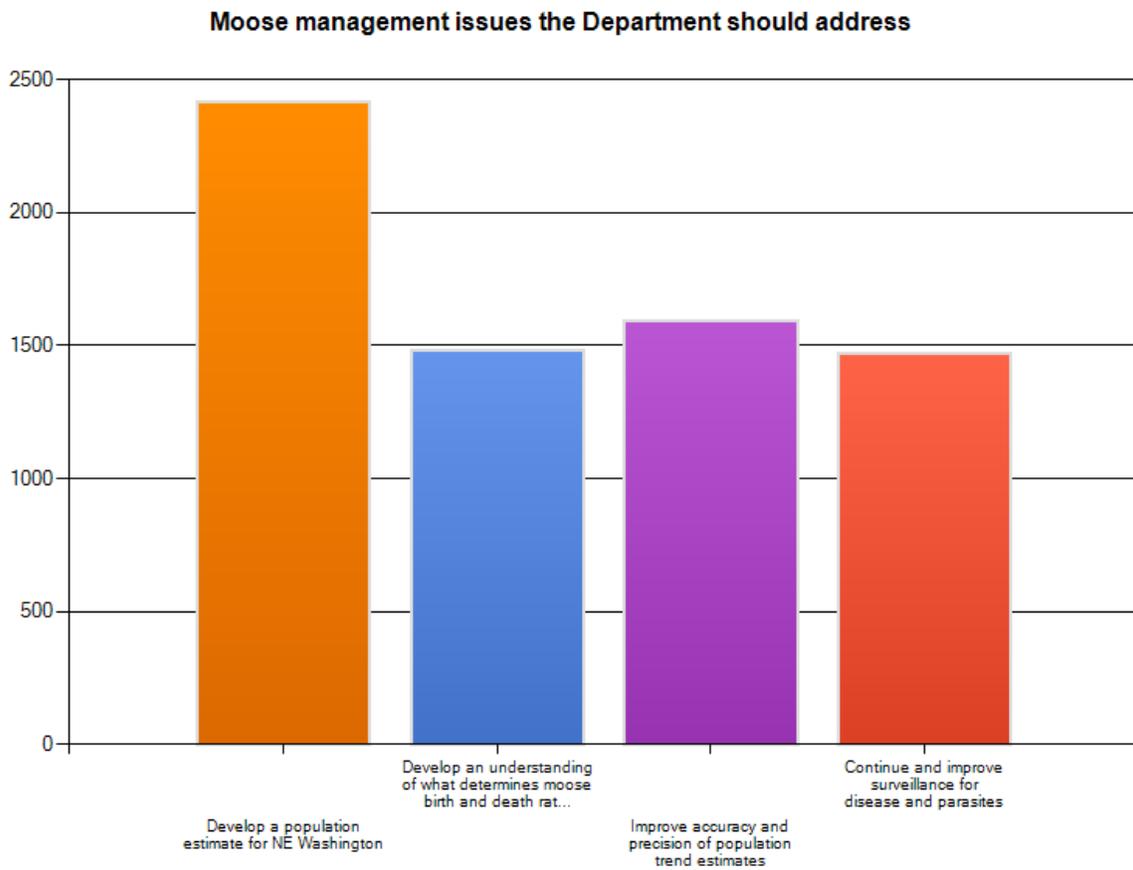
Black Bear Management:

Black bear management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Spring black bear seasons	44.3%	1537
Fall black bear seasons	32.3%	1120
Mandatory grizzly bear-black bear identification test	15.8%	547
Black bear population size	40.4%	1403
Information on bear populations	56.8%	1972
<i>answered question</i>		3470
<i>skipped question</i>		4587



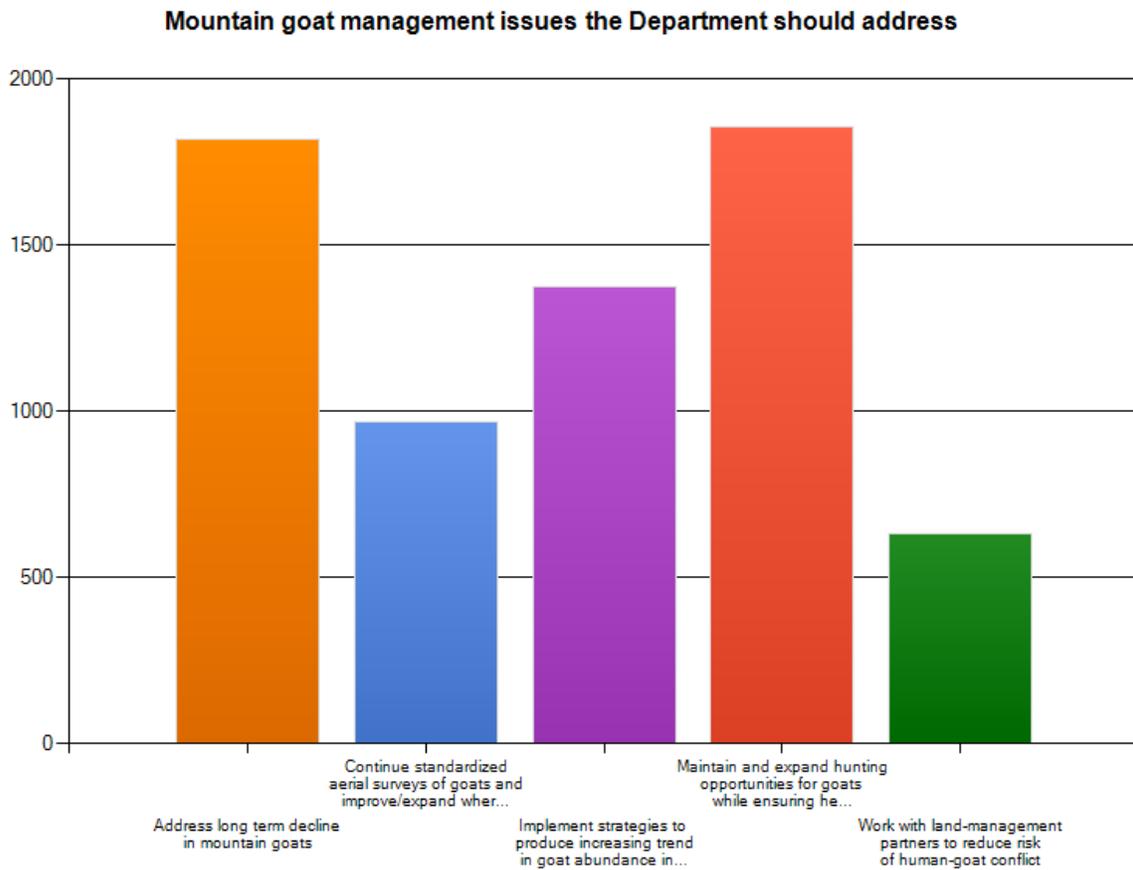
Moose Management:

Moose management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Develop a population estimate for NE Washington	72.3%	2476
Develop an understanding of what determines moose	44.3%	1518
Improve accuracy and precision of population trend	47.4%	1622
Continue and improve surveillance for disease and	43.7%	1496
<i>answered question</i>		3425
<i>skipped question</i>		4632



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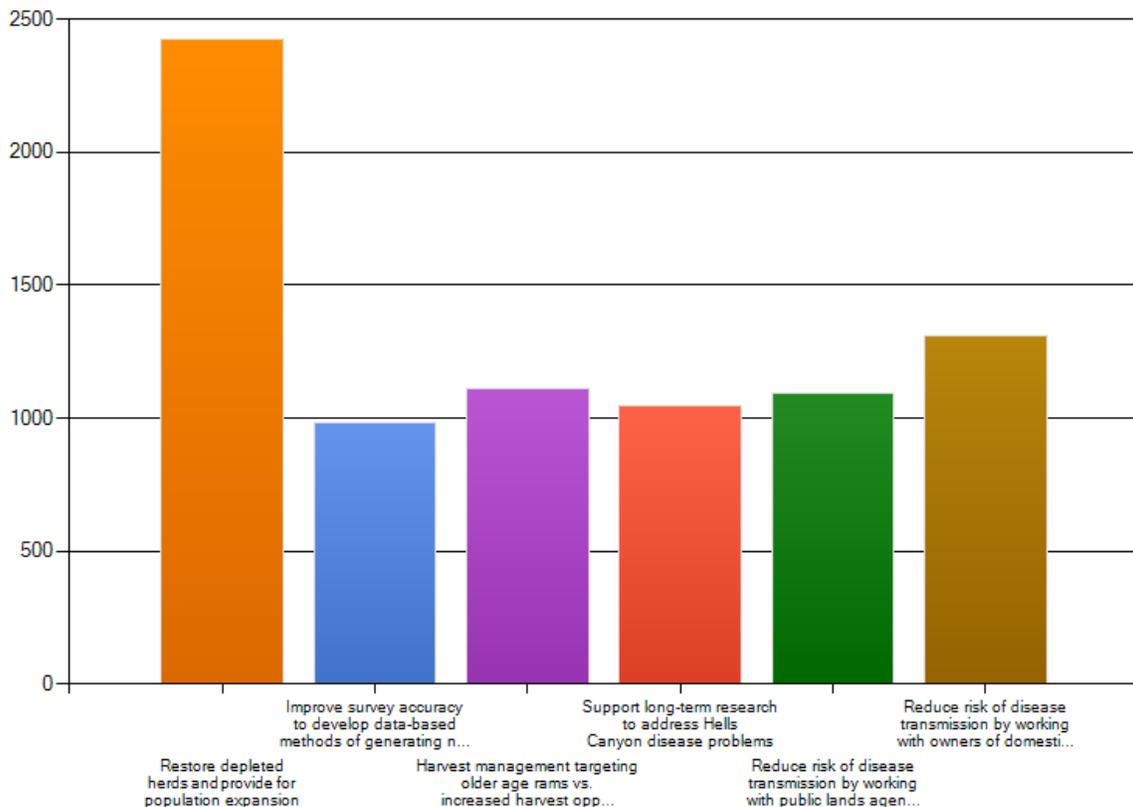
Mountain goat management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Address long term decline in mountain goats	57.9%	1873
Continue standardized aerial surveys of goats and improve/expand where...	30.7%	992
Implement strategies to produce increasing trend in goat abundance in...	43.5%	1409
Maintain and expand hunting opportunities for goats while ensuring he...	58.4%	1890
Work with land-management partners to reduce risk of human-goat conflict	20.0%	646
	<i>answered question</i>	3236
	<i>skipped question</i>	4821



Bighorn Sheep Management:

Bighorn sheep management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Restore depleted herds and provide for population	77.8%	2498
Improve survey accuracy to develop data-based	31.2%	1002
Harvest management targeting older age rams vs.	35.2%	1131
Support long-term research to address Hells Canyon	33.5%	1075
Reduce risk of disease transmission by working with	34.8%	1117
Reduce risk of disease transmission by working with	42.1%	1351
<i>answered question</i>		3210
<i>skipped question</i>		4847

Bighorn sheep management issues the Department should address



Pronghorn Management:

Pronghorn management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Facilitate efforts to recover pronghorn in areas that are	100.0%	3114
<i>answered question</i>		3114
<i>skipped question</i>		4943

Migratory Waterfowl Management:

Migratory waterfowl management issues the Department should address		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Population and harvest survey accuracy/precision and	40.7%	1011
Expand harvest opportunity for ducks and geese	83.8%	2084
<i>answered question</i>		2486
<i>skipped question</i>		5571