



The beaver was extirpated from Sweden in the 1870's



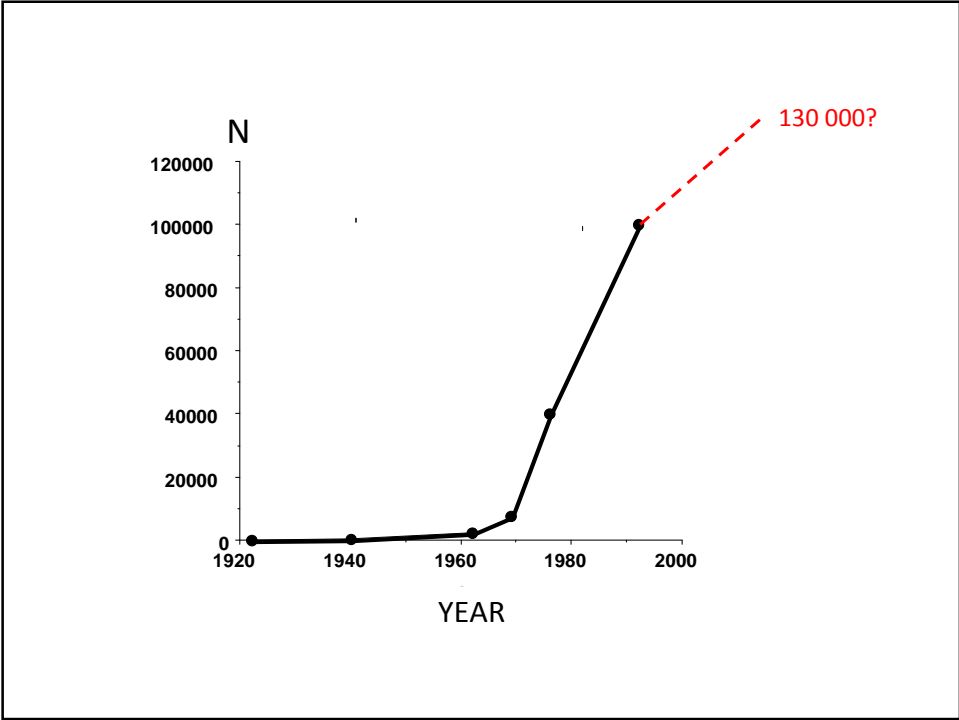
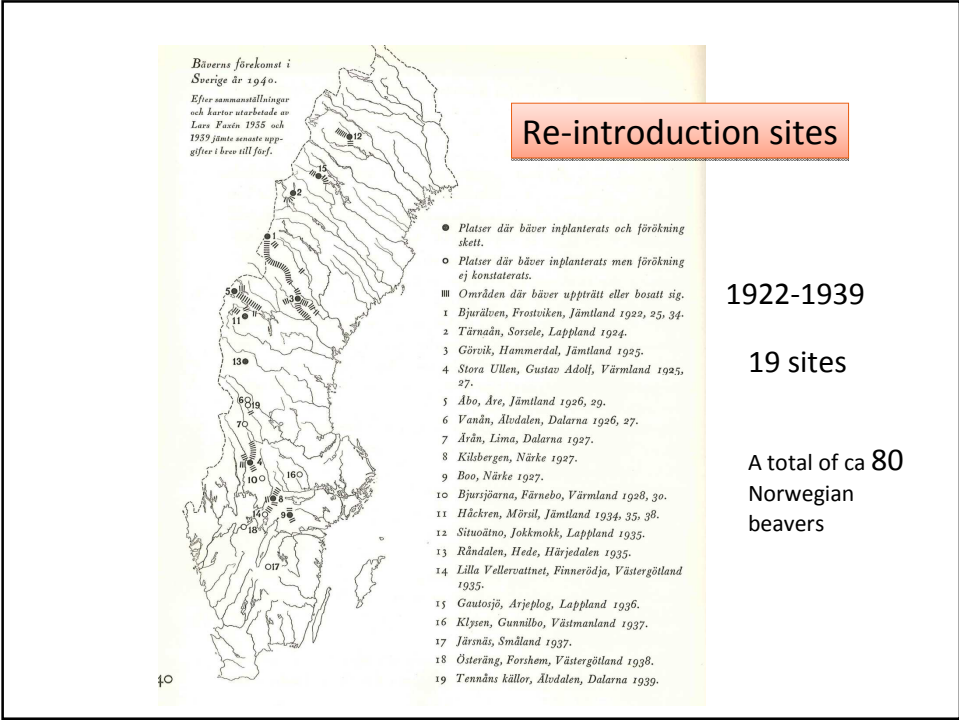
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Blötmyrarna börja. Trygorna påsättas.

Nils Thomasson foto 5/1922.

A beaver pair on their way to Bjurälven , 1922



Approximate beaver range
Sweden, 2011



-Hunting rights belong to the landowner

-Leasing of hunting rights is common



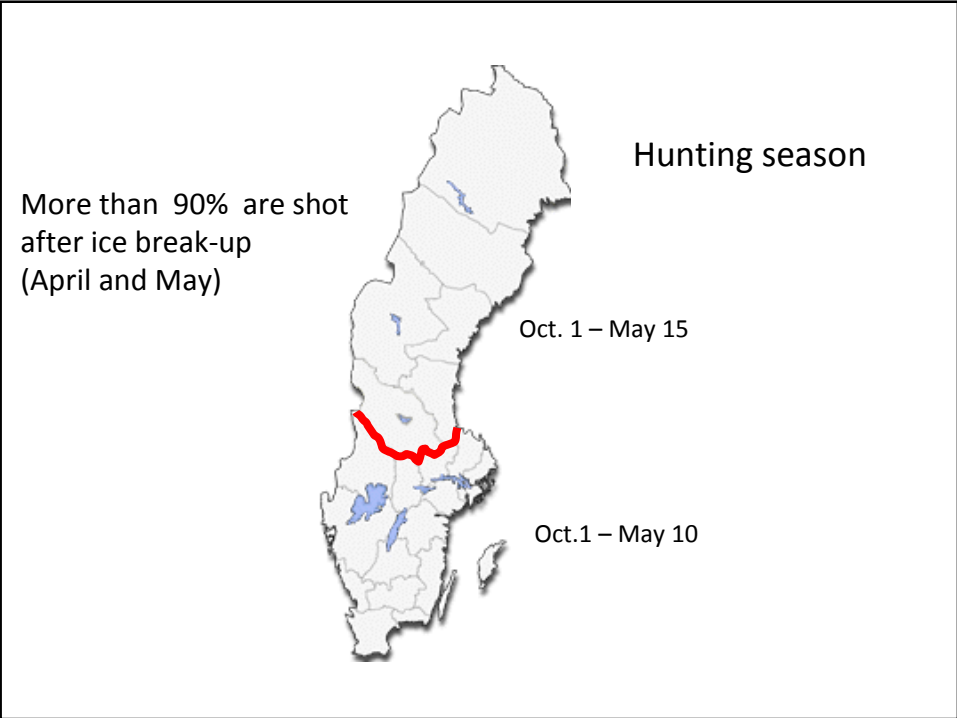
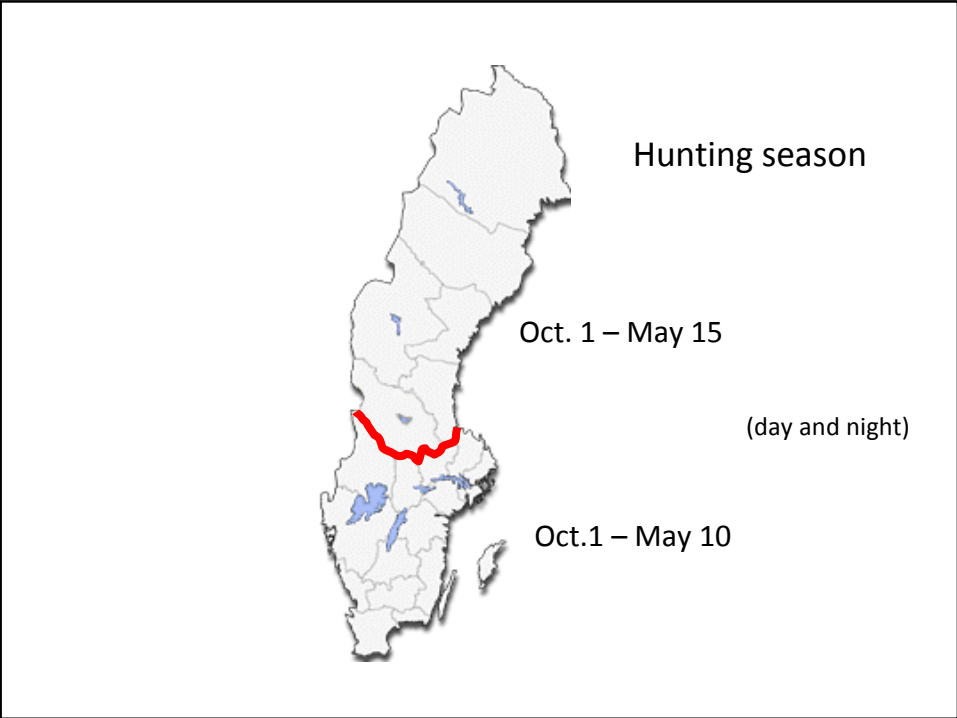
*Open hunting season without bag limit

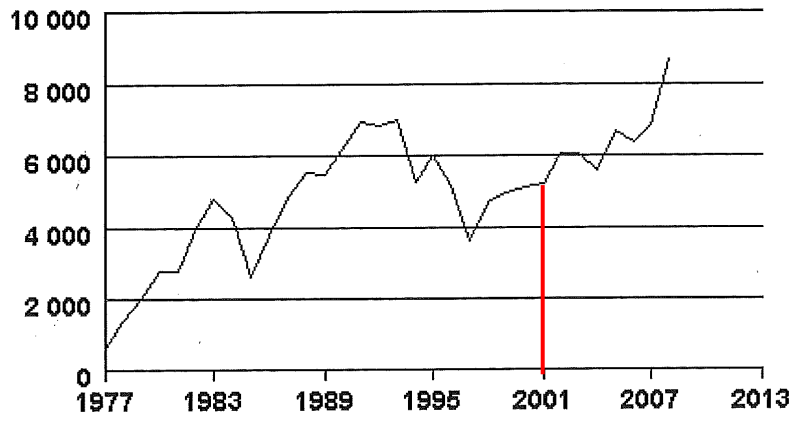
*Rifle hunting is the "only" method allowed

*Killing traps (Conibear) may, under certain conditions be used to remove nuisance beavers.

*The main reason for hunting are

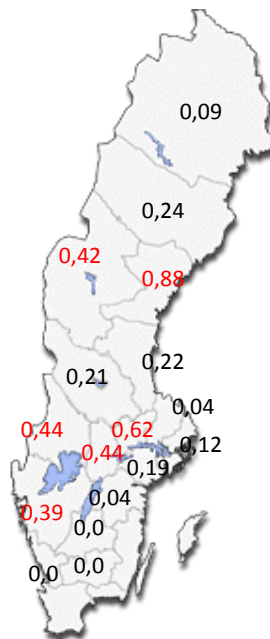
1. recreation
2. prevention of damage

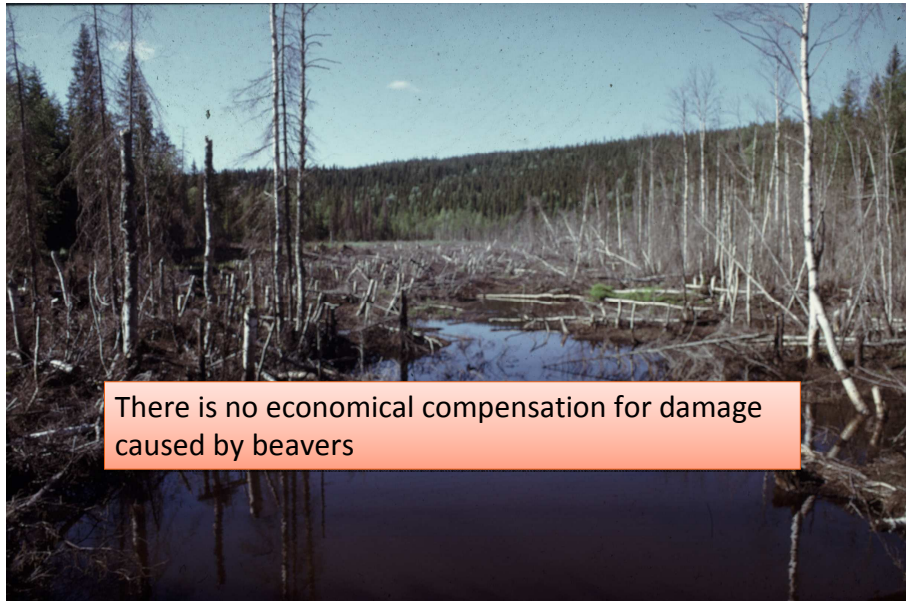




Annual harvest of beaver in Sweden
ca 9000, hunting season 2008/2009

Numbers of beaver shot
per 1000 ha
2010-11





There is no economical compensation for damage caused by beavers



Landowners may destroy beaver dams (not lodges), without special permission, from May 1 to Aug. 31