State/	Lion Status	Year current status	Notes:
Providence		began	
Alberta, Canada	Big Game	1971	
BC, Canada	Big Game	unknown	
Arizona	Big Game	1970	
California	Specially Protected Mammal	1990	Prior status was Game Mammal
Colorado	Big Game	1965	
Idaho	Big Game	1972	
Montana	Big Game	1971	
Nevada	Big Game	1965	
New Mexico	Game Animal	1971	
South Dakota	Big Game	2003	Prior status was "State Sensative Species"
Texas	Non-game		Under Texas non-game code they can set season/bags if so desired.
Utah	Game Species	1967	
Washington	Big Game	1966	
Wyoming	Trophy Game Animal	1973	

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Table 6.3. Cougar hunting strategies, season lengths, and percent female harvest by state for the 2008-2009 season.

State	Harvest Strategy	Season Length	Hound Hunt	Boot Hunt	Percent Female
Arizona	General	Sept 1 - May 31	У	У	38%
Colorado	Quota (T)	Nov 15 - March 31	У	У	39%
Idaho	General	Aug 30 - March 31	У	У	46%
	Quota (T)	Aug 30 - March 31	У	У	65%
Montana	Limited Entry	Oct 26 - April 14	У	У	
	Quota (T)	Oct 26 - April 14	У	У	
Nevada	Quota (T)	Year-round	Y	Y	45%
New Mexico	General	Oct 1 - Mar 31	У	У	25%
	Quota (T)	Oct 1 - Mar 31	У	У	2%
North Dakota	Quota (T)	Aug 29 - March 31	У	У	67%
Oregon	Quota (T)	Aug 1 - May 31	n	У	
South Dakota	Quota (T)	Jan 1 - March 31	n	У	64%
Texas	Open Season	year-round			
Utah	Limited Entry	Nov 19 - June 1	У	У	37%
	Quota (T)	Year-round	У	У	4%
	Split LE & Quota (T)	Nov 19 - Feb 08	У	У	
Washington	General	Aug 1 - March 31	n	У	
	Quota $(T + F)$	Dec 1 - March 31	У	У	
Wyoming	Quota (T)	Sept 1 - March 31	У	У	44%

T=total, F=Female, LE = Limited Entry

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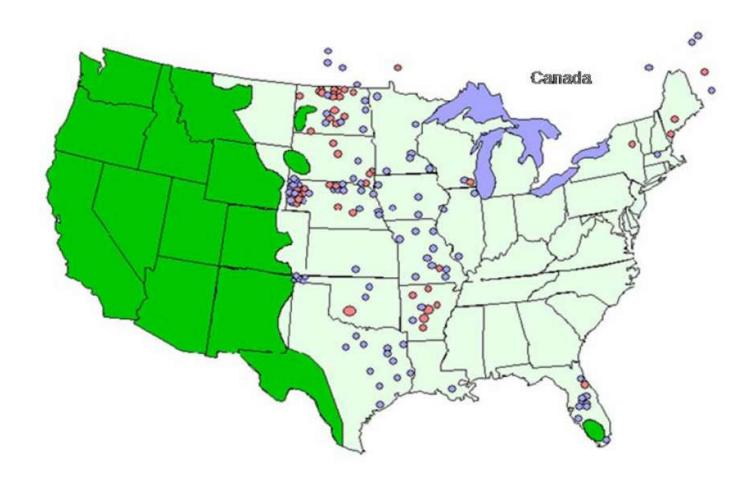


Figure 2.5. Current cougar range (in green) in the United States and verified cougar sightings (red and blue dots) outside of known range (1990 – November 2008; Cougar Network 2008).