

BEAR-CAUSED HUMAN FATALITIES IN THE GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM, 1892-PRESENT
INTERAGENCY GRIZZLY BEAR STUDY TEAM



Record number	Gender/age	Date	Location	Incident description	Source
1	Male, 37	September 2, 1892	Greybull River, Wyoming	Victim was killed when grizzly bear entered his cabin.	Wikipedia
2	Male, 25	July 10, 1894	Boulder River drainage in what later became the Gallatin National Forest	Incident occurred when victim encountered grizzly bear while following blood trail of injured bear while hunting alone.	Whittlesey (2014)
3	Male, 63	May 4, 1912	Gallatin National Forest, Montana	Victim was killed by grizzly bear while checking a bear trap.	Whittlesey (2014)
4	Male, 61	September 8, 1916	Yellowstone National Park	Incident occurred when grizzly bear entered roadside camp.	Schullery (1992) Whittlesey (2014)
5	Male, 60	June 12, 1922	Gallatin National Forest, Montana	Victim was killed by grizzly bear while checking a bear trap.	Whittlesey (2014)
6	Female, 45	August 23, 1942	Yellowstone National Park	Unknown species of bear killed victim while walking to restroom alone at night in cabin area.	Schullery (1992) Whittlesey (2014)
7	Male, 25	June 24, 1972	Yellowstone National Park	Victim was killed when he returned to his illegal campsite at night and surprised a grizzly bear eating his camp food that was left out.	Schullery (1992) Whittlesey (2014)
8	Male, 23	June 25, 1983	Gallatin National Forest, Montana	Grizzly bear dragged victim from his tent during the night at Rainbow Point Campground.	Schullery (1992) Whittlesey (2014)
9	Female, 25	July 30, 1984	Yellowstone National Park	Victim was killed by grizzly bear while camping alone at a backcountry campsite	Schullery (1992) Whittlesey (2014)
10	Male, 38	October 4, 1986	Yellowstone National Park	Victim was killed by a grizzly bear while hiking alone off trail and pursuing wildlife photographs.	Whittlesey (2014)
11	Male, 70	June 17, 2010	Shoshone National Forest, Wyoming	Incident occurred when victim encountered grizzly bear near research trap site	USFWS Board of Review Report
12	Male, 48	July 28, 2010	Gallatin National Forest, Montana	Victim was dragged from tent during the night and killed by a female grizzly bear with yearlings.	USFWS Board of Review Report
13	Male, 57	July 6, 2011	Yellowstone National Park	Incident occurred on the Wapiti Lake Trail and involved a couple that surprised a female grizzly bear with cubs	USFWS Board of Review Report
14	Male, 59	August 25, 2011	Yellowstone National Park	Victim was killed by a grizzly bear while hiking alone on the Mary Mountain Trail, Hayden Valley.	USFWS Board of Review Report
15	Male, 31	September 4, 2014	Bridger Teton National Forest, Wyoming	Victim was killed by unknown species of bear while hiking alone to a vegetation plot.	USFWS Board of Review Report
16	Male, 63	August 6, 2015	Yellowstone National Park	Victim was killed by a female grizzly bear with cubs while hiking alone on Elephant Back Mountain.	USFWS Board of Review Report
17	Male, 37	September 14, 2018	Teton Wilderness, Bridger-Teton National Forest, Wyoming	Hunting guide was killed by a female grizzly bear and yearling while retrieving an undisturbed elk carcass with a client; the client was also attacked by the bear and injured.	Wyoming Game and Fish Department (2019)

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