

2005 Site Report for Thunder Basin National Grassland
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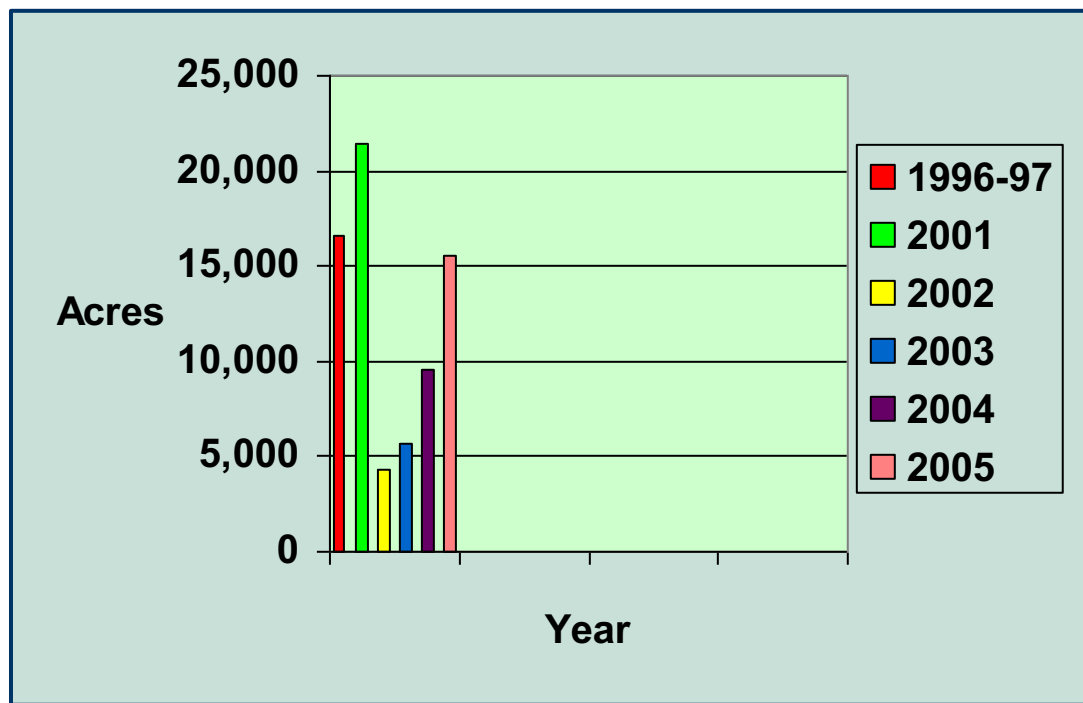
Monitoring Efforts:

- All prairie dog colonies on TBNG were mapped for 2005. Mapping was completed from June 1 – Aug 31. Some re-mapping and ground-truthing was completed from Sept 1 – Nov 15.
- Transect surveys were completed on all colonies located within the ferret reintroduction area, and any colonies located close to reintroduction area perimeter. All transecting was completed June 15 – Aug 15.

Estimated Total Acres of Prairie Dog Colonies

1996-1997	16,589
2001	21,456
2002	4,324
2003	5,629
2004	9,550
2005	15,531

Population Trend Graph:



Total Ferret Family Rating by Year

1990	85.75
1997	95.00
2002	7.41
2004	1.4
2005	35.35

Ferret Family Rating Trend Graph

