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Here is the study:

"In conclusion, the combination of elevated cortisol and sex steroids we observed in tundra-taiga wolves are probably explained by interacting effects of hunting pressure, habitat and/or sampling. Though we were not able to partition the relative importance of these factors, elevated cortisol in the heavily hunted boreal out-group suggests that hunting pressure at least contributes to the differences we observed. The potential physiological effects of substantial, human-caused mortality suggest that hunting could be causing changes in reproductive structure and breeding strategy, as well as imposing chronic stress. Though increased reproduction might be viewed as a positive response of wolves to population reductions, the implications on lifetime reproductive output and generational survival of offspring as compared with undisturbed populations are unknown."

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