

Wolves in Washington

We are pleased to see that for the eighth year in a row, Washington’s wolf population grew in 2018, including increases in the number of confirmed packs and successful breeding pairs; important metrics for state recovery goals.

“After years of reports of wolves in Western Washington, we are particularly excited by the confirmation of the first wolf pack west of the Cascade Crest in nearly a century, the Diobsud Pack near North Cascades National Park,” said Mitch Friedman, Conservation Northwest Executive Director.



2018 Wolf Counts*



126

Wolves in Washington state



27

Wolf Packs



15

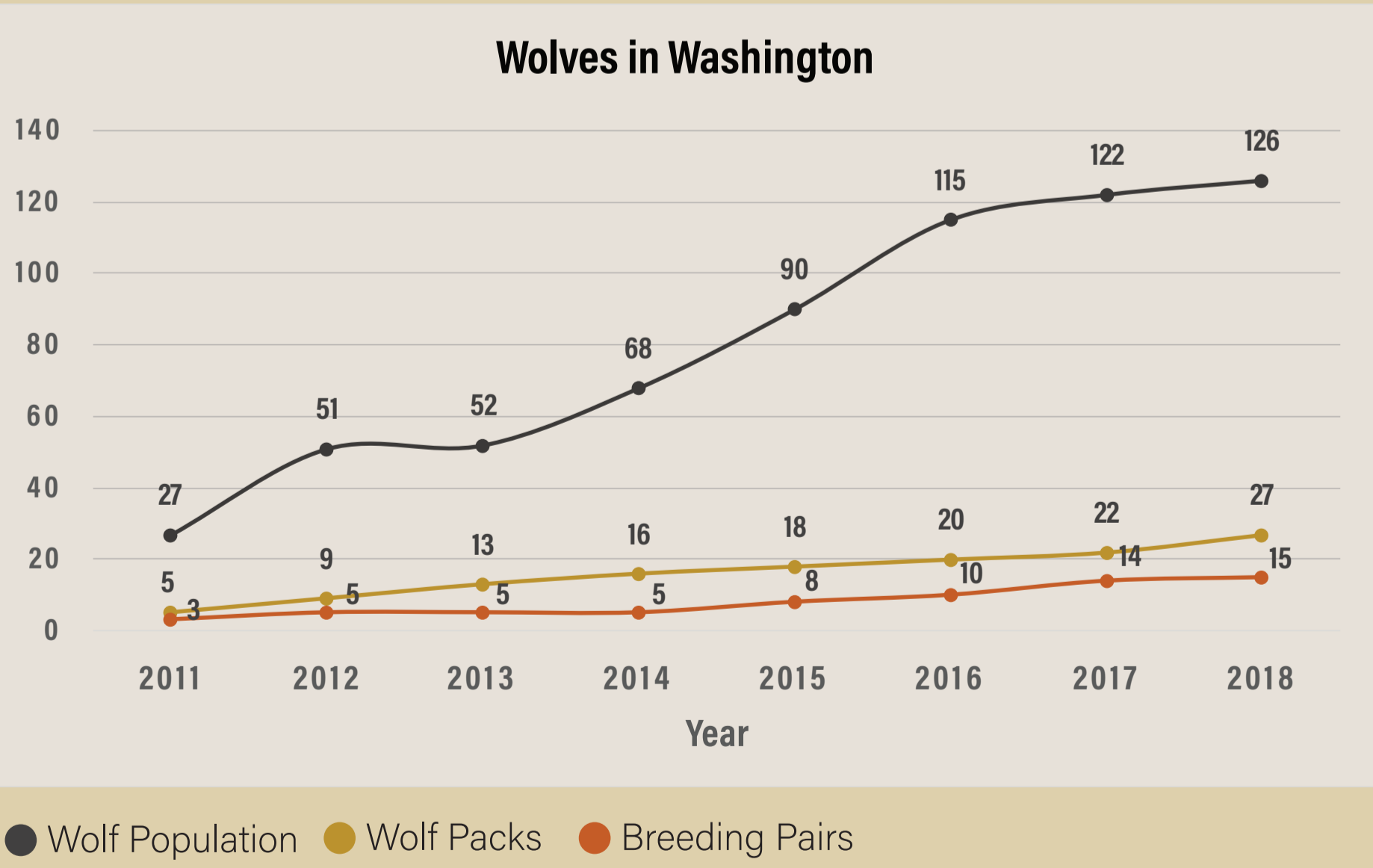
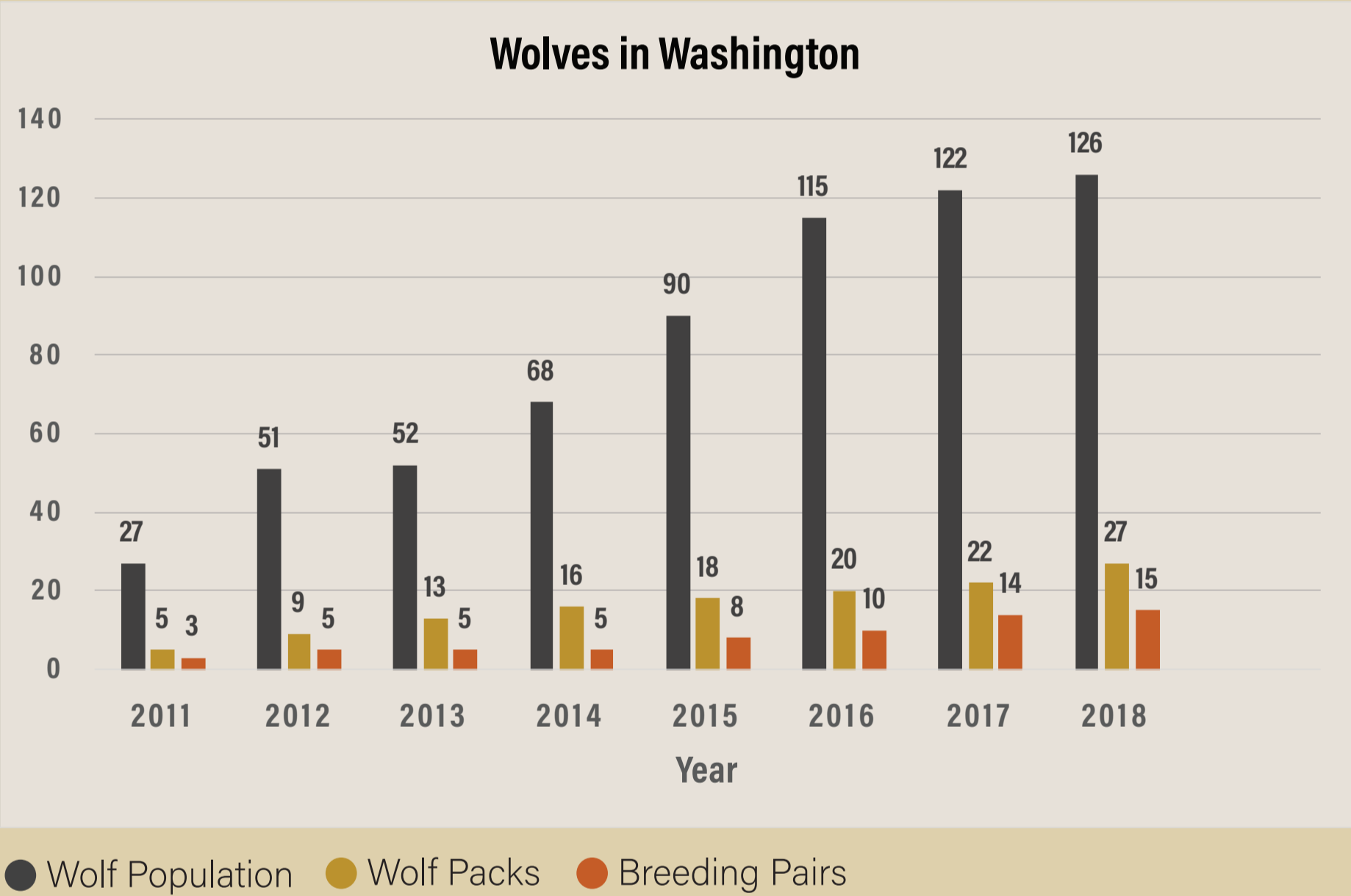
Breeding Pairs

“This is a milestone worth celebrating, and a clear indication of the continued recovery of wolves in Washington.”

-Mitch Friedman, Executive Director

“It’s important to keep in mind that these annual wolf reports from the state represent a minimum number,” said Friedman. “Individual wolves are incredibly hard to document as they expand to new areas, and our state’s total wolf population is certainly higher than this baseline count. Given recent research by the University of Washington, we can be confident that in actuality well over 150 wolves reside in Washington today.”

**Counts are a confirmed minimum baseline and do not represent total population*



Wolf Recovery Efforts

For more than a decade, Conservation Northwest has been the leading local non-profit working to promote wolf recovery, conservation and coexistence in Washington state, including through our Range Rider Pilot Project and other efforts, from the field to the halls of our state capitol. Our goal is for wolf recovery to work in the long-run—for people, wolves and all the Northwest’s native wildlife. We’re committed to the goal of long-term recovery and public acceptance of wolves alongside thriving, local communities.

Learn more at conservationnw.org/wolves