POPULATION REGULATION

The literature on population regulation is extensive and traces back to the earliest work in ecology, as we know it today. In 1798, Thomas R. Malthus wrote about factors determining the number of humans; his work played an influential role in thinking by Charles Darwin and A. R. Wallace in the development of concepts of natural selection. The modern debate traces back to the work of A. J. Nicholson published in 1933. Here is a list of the references used in my lectures on population regulation. When added to the papers we will discuss in class, it provides a starting point for reading on this topic. Check any good introductory ecology textbook for an overview of the historical references (e.g., Ricklefs, R. E. and G. L. Miller. 2000, Ecology, 4th ed. Freeman).

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