



# Impact of climate change on forest management: Białowieża Primeval Forest Case Study

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# Norway spruce – ecology

*Picea abies*

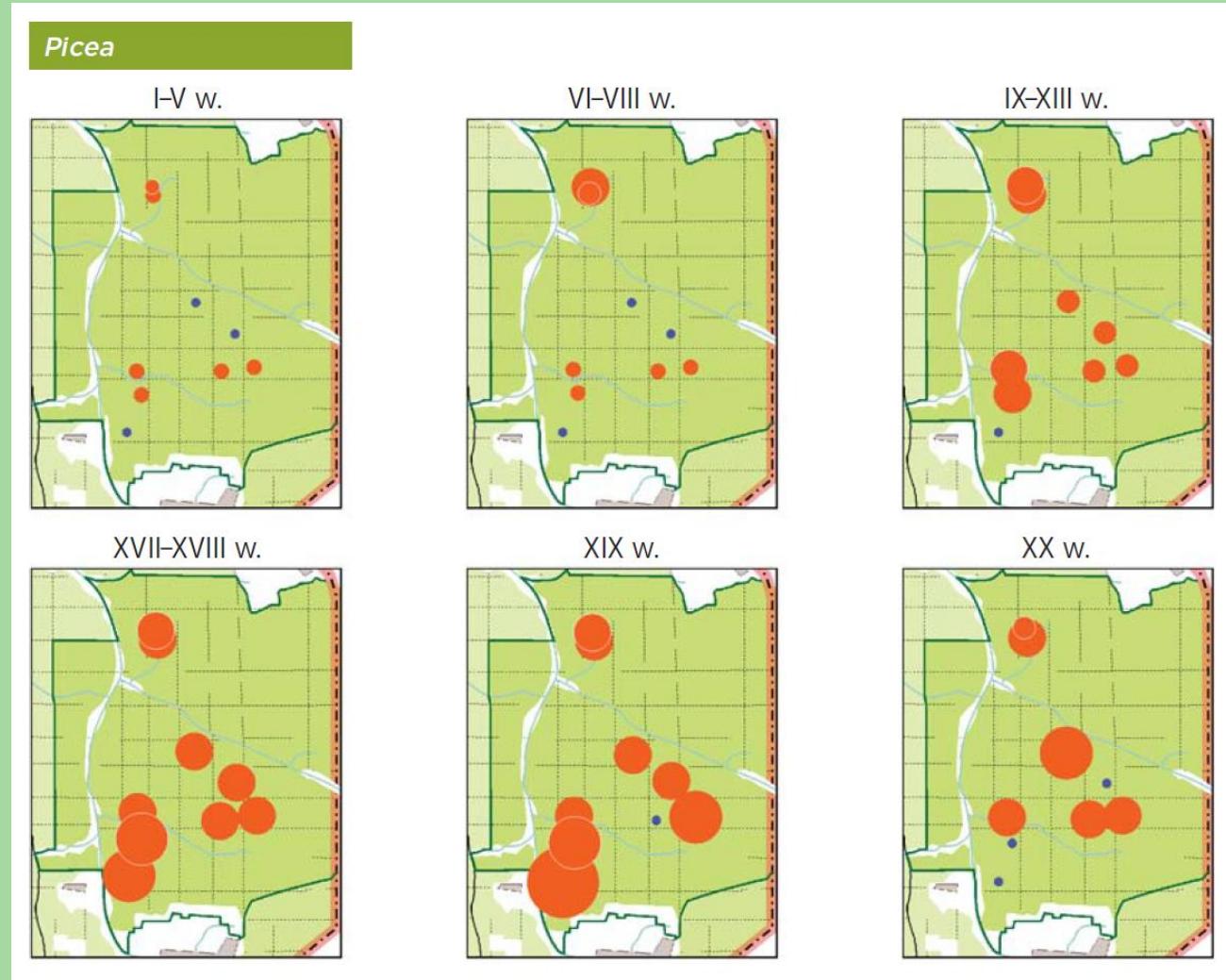
Boreal



Wet conditions



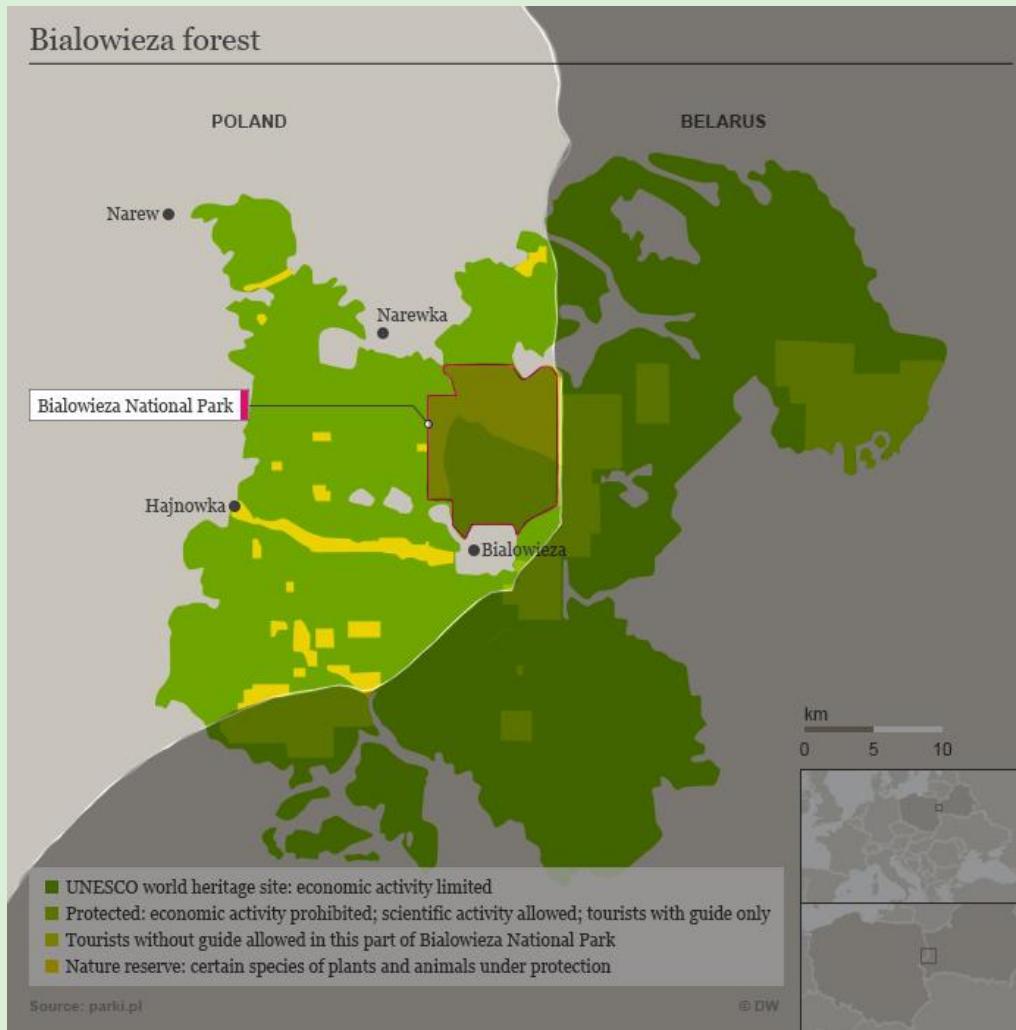
# Palynological data



# Study area



~ 50 000 ha of forest



# Białowieża AD 1902



~6200 ha of spruce dominated forests

12% of total area

browsing

grazing

hunting grounds

**Ръзяснение знацъвъ**

- 1. Масла по сухому ильму 2) по бояту
  - 1. Вън по сухому ильму 2. по бояту
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- Karcov 1902

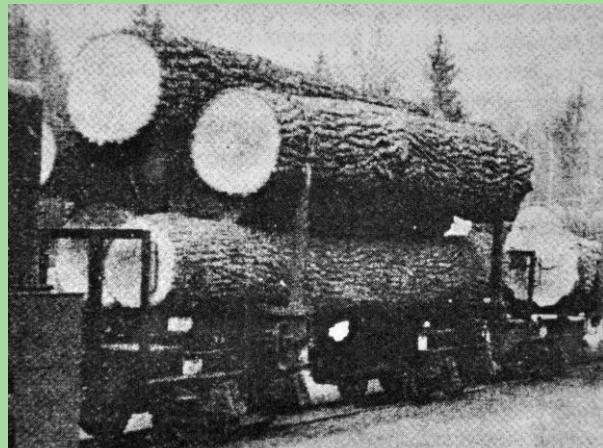


# Beginning of XX century



World War  
Paper Com-

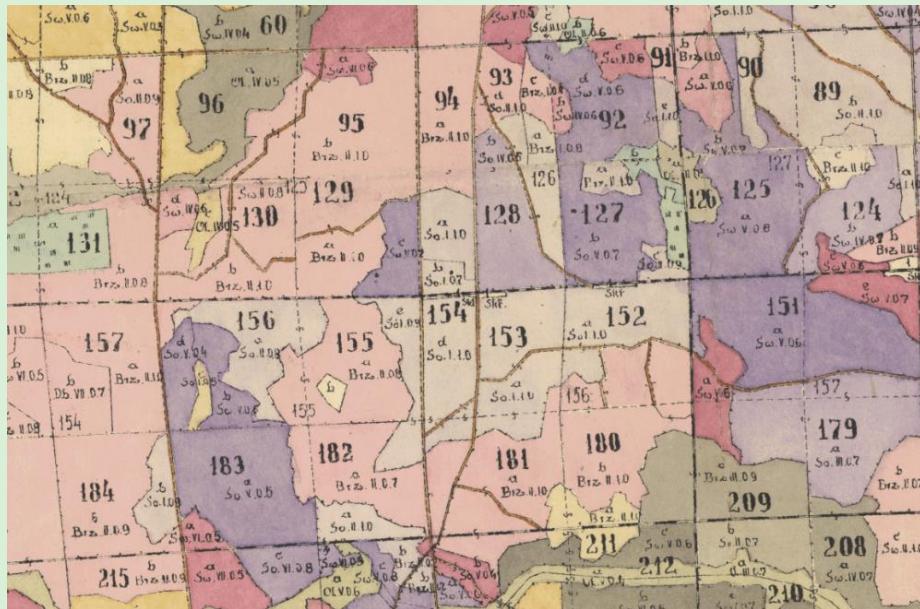
Second World War



# Białowieża AD 1948



~12 700 ha  
of spruce dominated  
forests



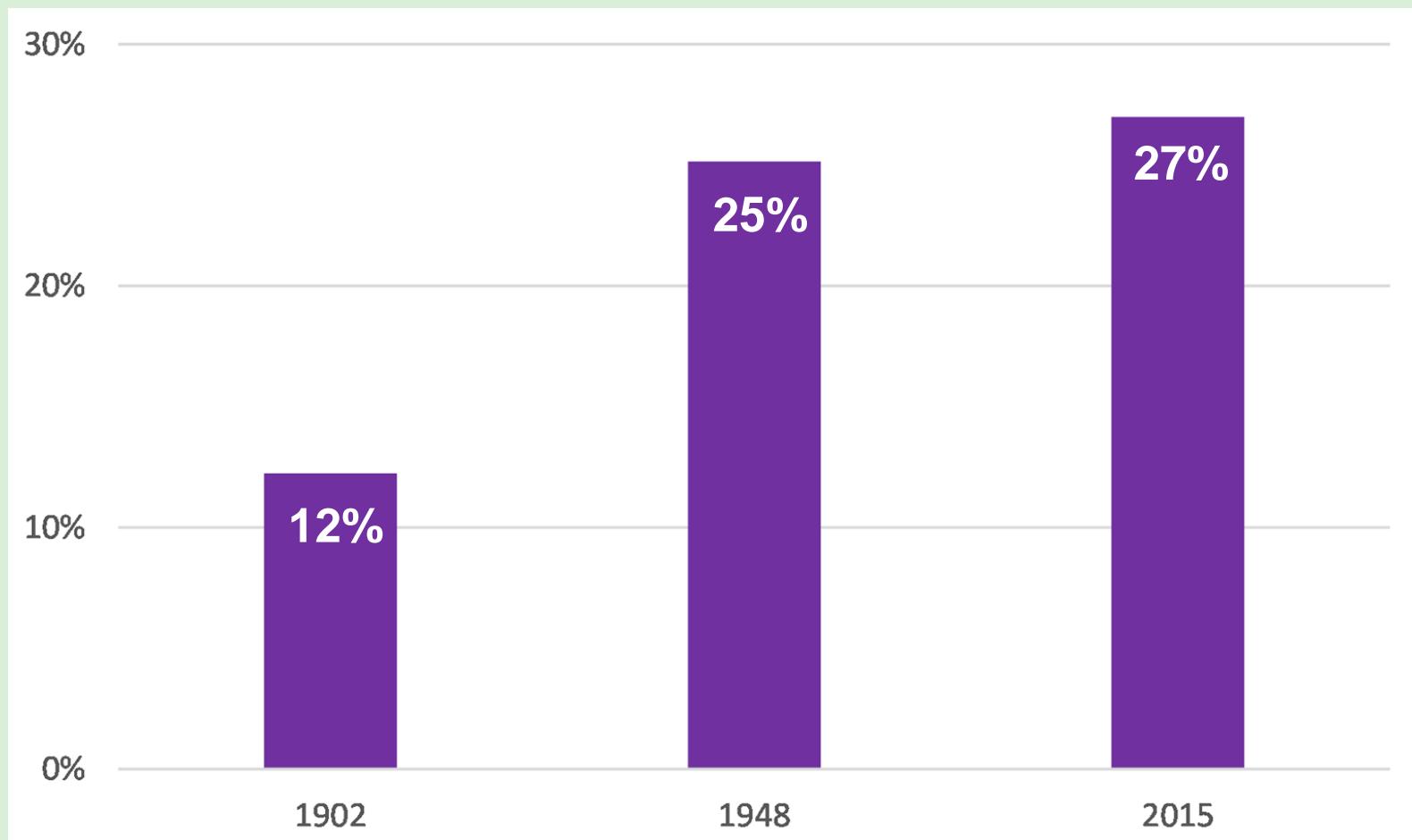
~25% of total  
forest area

# Białowieża AD 2015



~13 600 ha of spruce dominated forests

~27% of total forest area

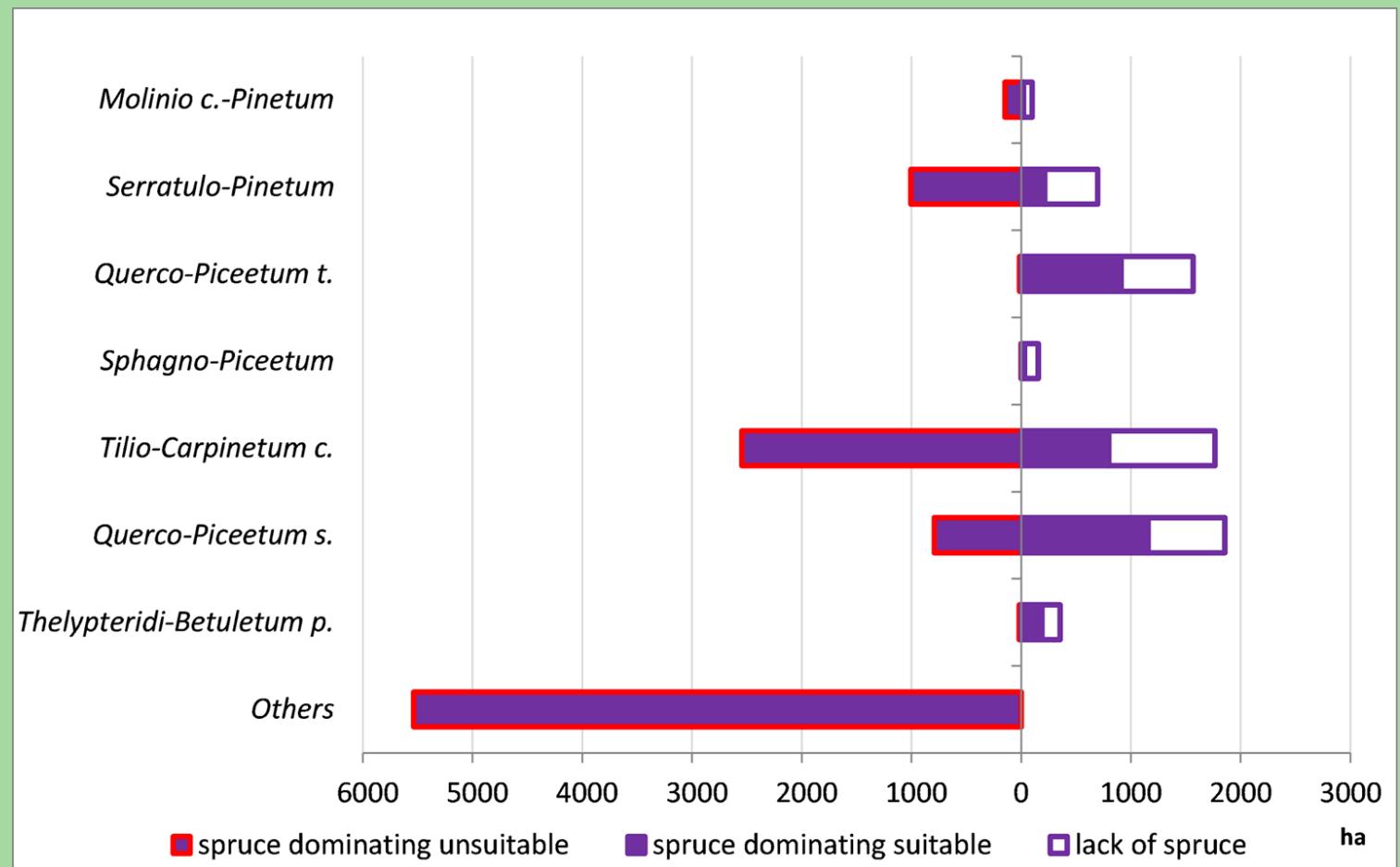


# Spruce – habitats

Currently ~ 13 600 ha

Suitable sites ~ 6 500 ha (~12%)

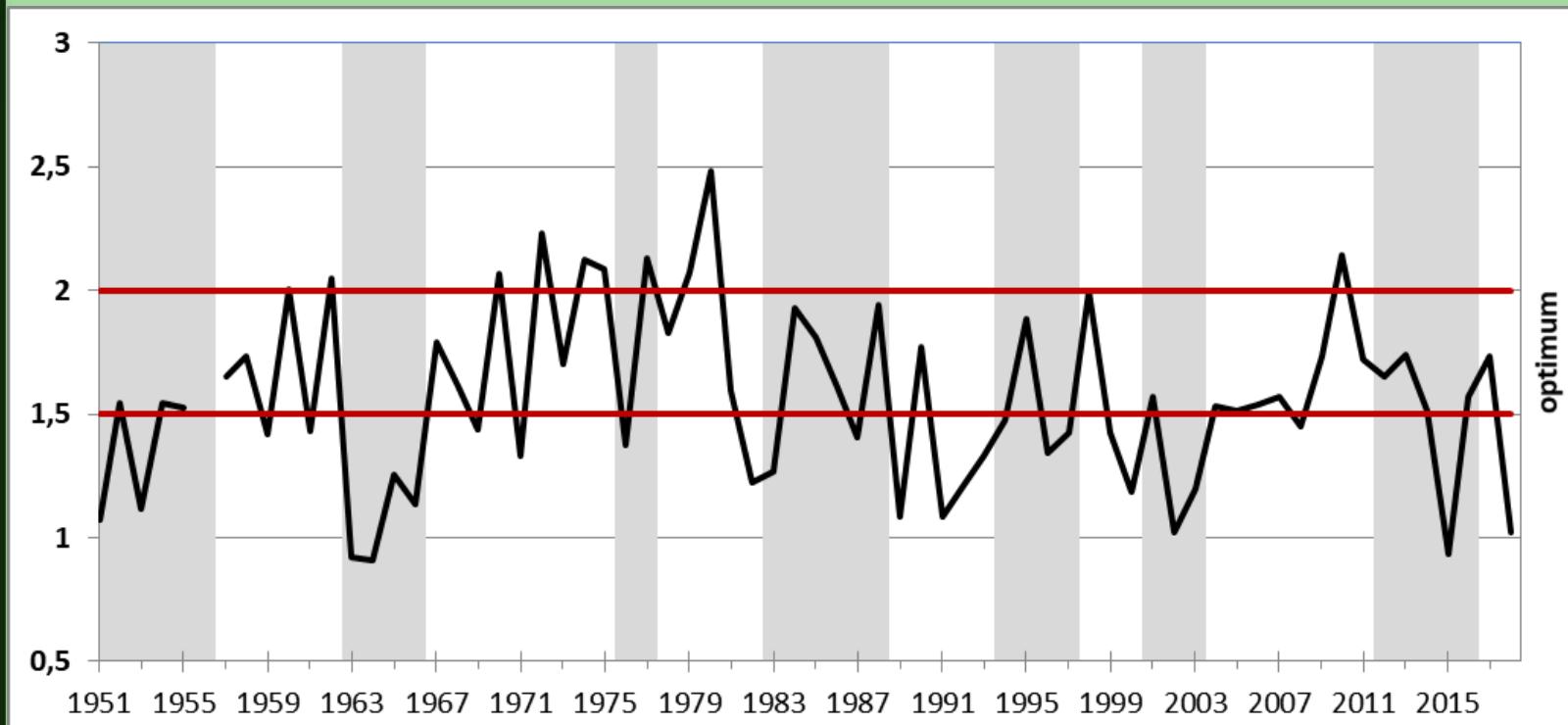
Spruce on suitable sites ~ 3 300 ha





# Seljaninow index (K)

bark beetle outbreaks (grey background)



# Białowieża AD 2018



## Long-term perspective

