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**Abstract:**

PVA is a new, emerging technique dealing with complex problems for which empirical, experimental, and theoretical knowledge is never complete. Consequently, PVA does not yet have a well-developed methodology or widely accepted standards. Nevertheless, PVA is gaining growing recognition and acceptance among conservation biologists and wildlife managers and it has been used, in one form or another, to aid in management decisions on various species.