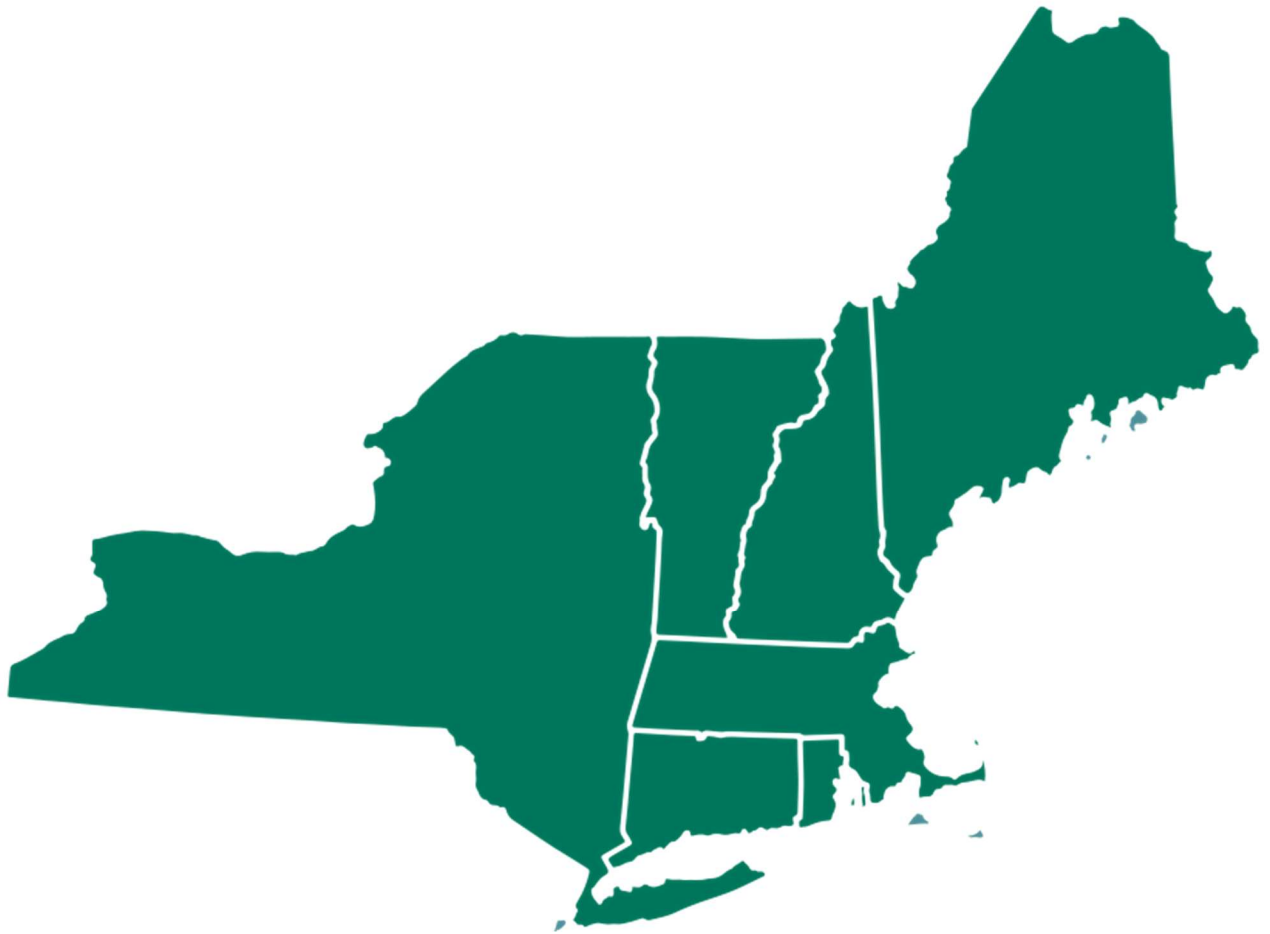

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Note: Figures that do not present data for a given year or display inconsistent numbers of species between analyses are a result of insufficient sample sizes for individual trees, total species, or plots (depending on the analysis). For example, a species may be absent for one year of a mortality time series analysis if no mortality was observed for that species within a given monitoring year. Additionally, some states did not fulfill sufficient parameters for all inclusion criteria in our analyses if too few species were present (e.g., an analysis that would typically survey the top six species for a given forest health metric displaying fewer than six).

Southern New England (Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts)

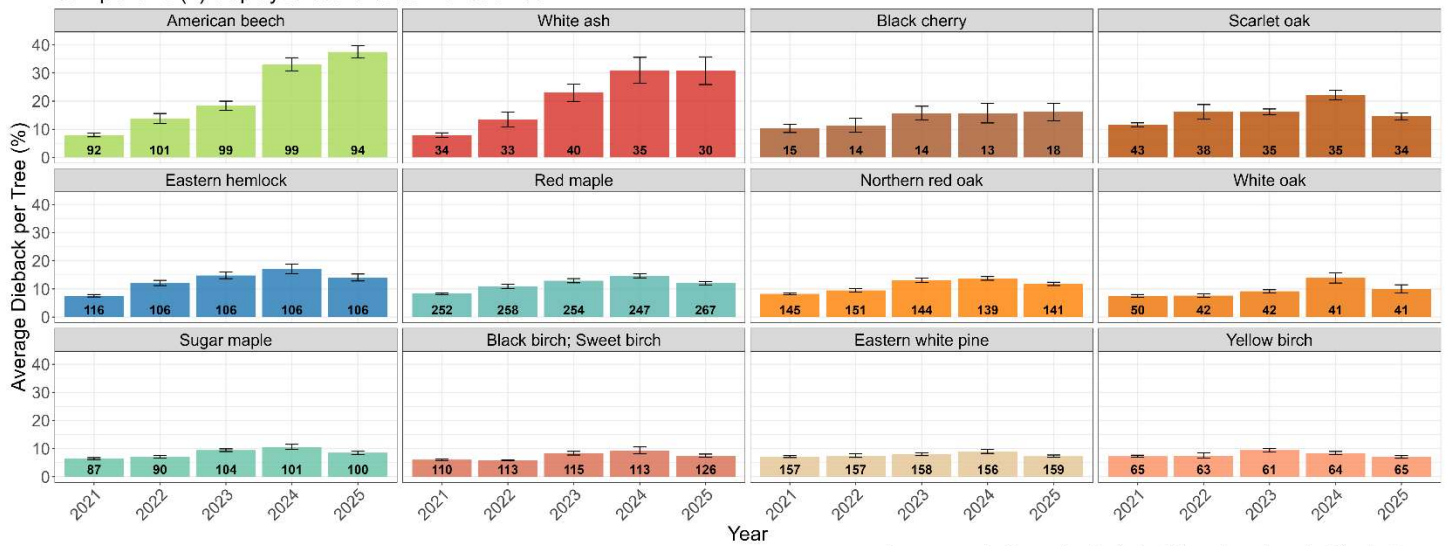
Due to the smaller number of plots (i.e., smaller total sample size) compared to other states, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts data were combined into the Southern New England (Southern NE) sub-region to allow for better statistical analysis.

Section 1. Tree Analyses (Southern New England)

A. Dieback Trends

Dieback per Year in Southern New England

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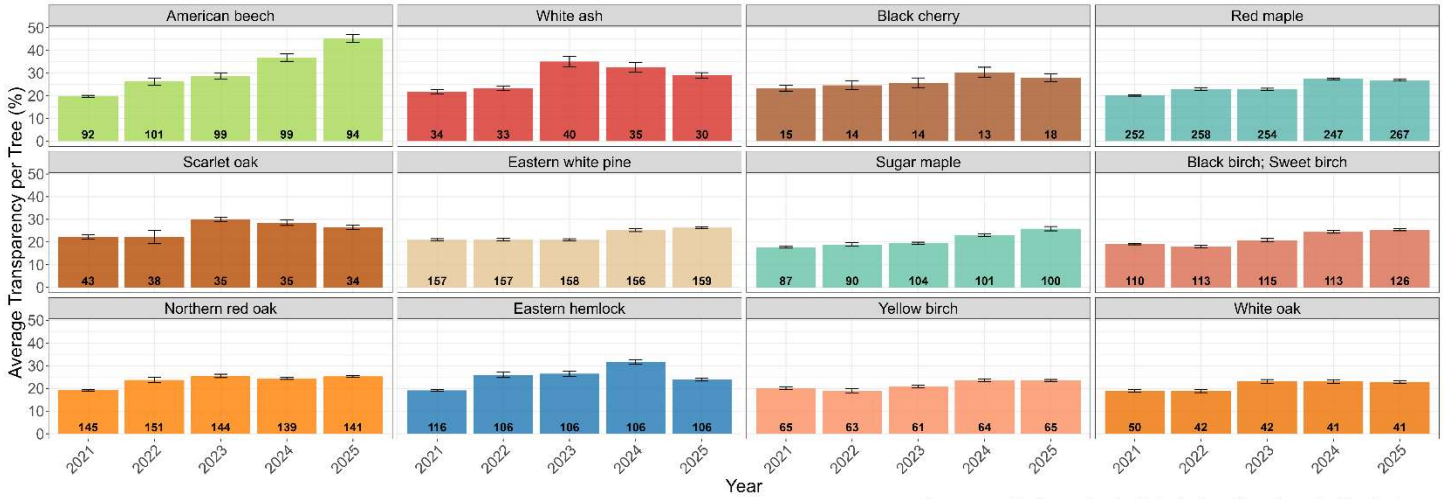
Less prevalent species included: American beech, Black cherry.

Figure 1A. Average fine twig dieback trends by species and year for the top ten species by basal area, plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high dieback (American beech, black cherry). Species are ordered by highest dieback in 2025.

B. Transparency Trends

Average Transparency per Year in Southern New England

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Less prevalent species included: American beech, Black cherry.

Figure 1B. Average leaf transparency trends by species and year, for the top ten species by basal area plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high transparency (American beech, black cherry). Species are ordered by greatest transparency in 2025.

C. Vigor Trends

Trends in Tree Health and Basal Area in Southern New England

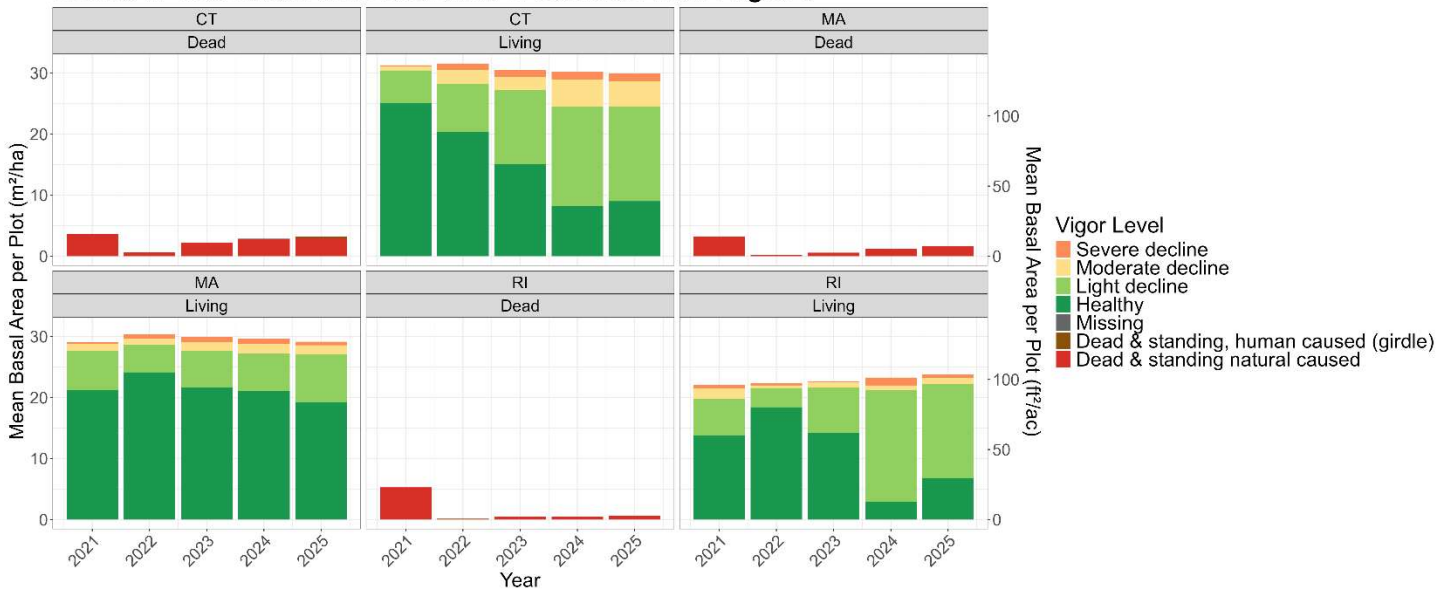
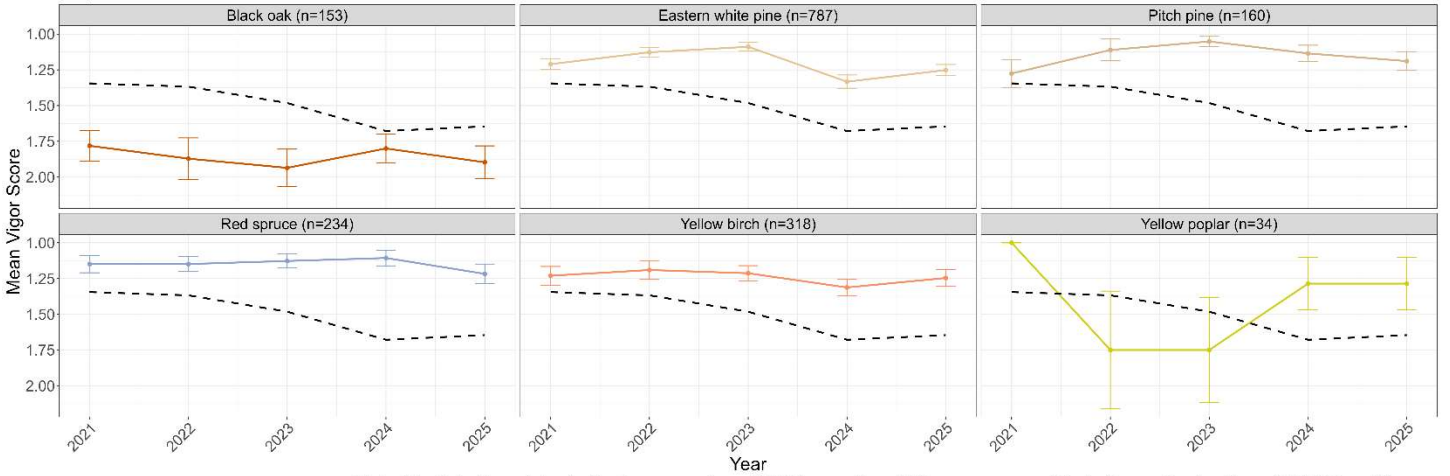


Figure 1C-i. Mean basal area per plot in hectares (m^2/ha , left axis) and acres (ft^2/ac , right axis) for living and dead trees in Southern NE, broken down by each state in the subregion. Data are grouped by tree status with living classes shown on the right and dead classes on the left.

Top 6 Tree Species with the Healthiest Vigor Over Time in Southern New England

Black dashed line represents the overall vigor trend across all species in Southern New England. Sample size (n) shown is total observations across all years.

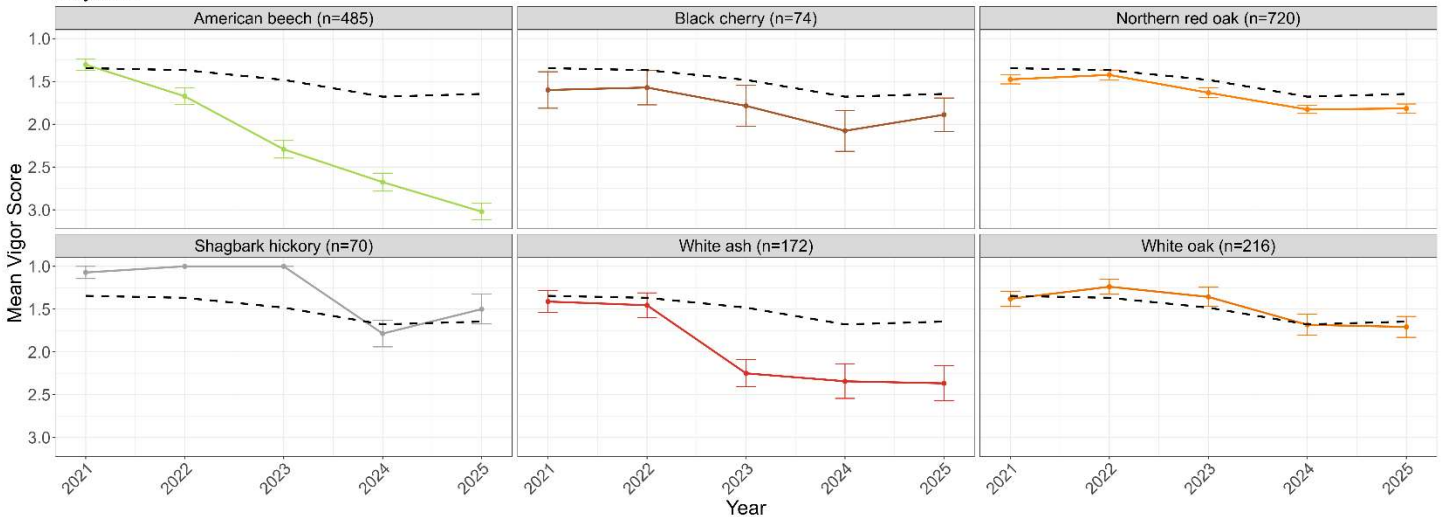


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Top 6 Tree Species with the Least Healthy Vigor Over Time in Southern New England

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D. Annual Growth and Mortality Trends - Trees

Share of Total Forest Mortality (by Tree Count)

Top 3 species by within-species mortality rate. Labels show individual trees that died.

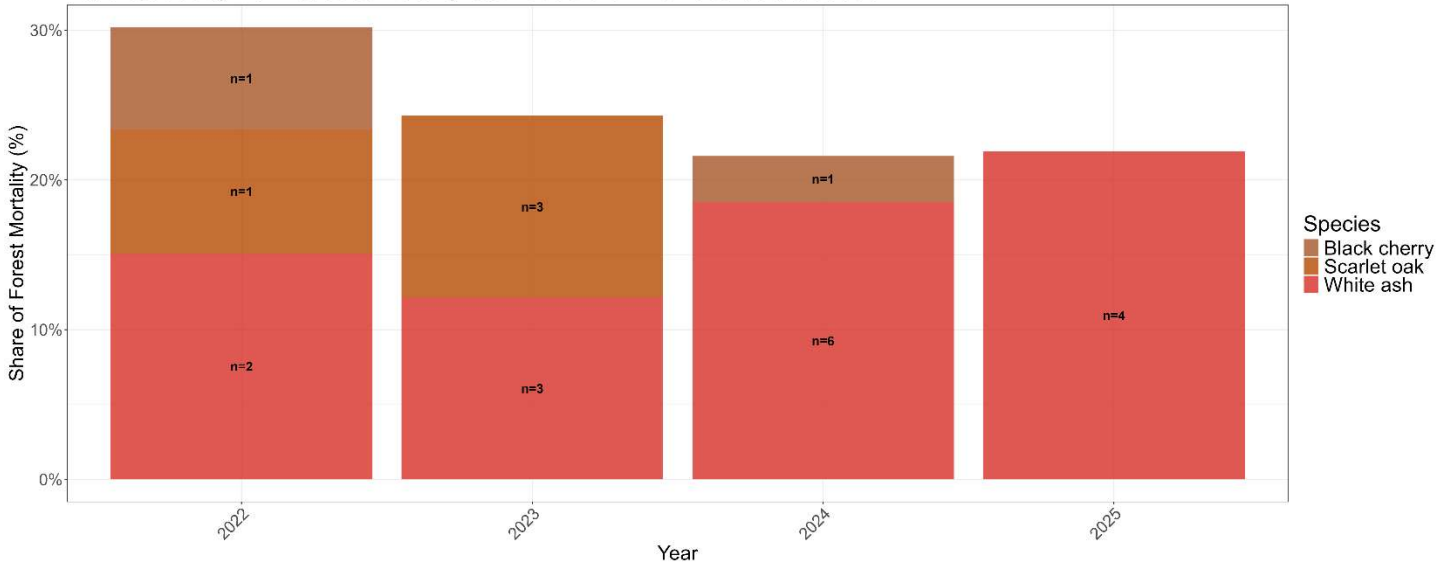


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Share of Total Forest Mortality (by Basal Area)

Top 3 species by within-species BA mortality rate. Labels show individual trees that died.

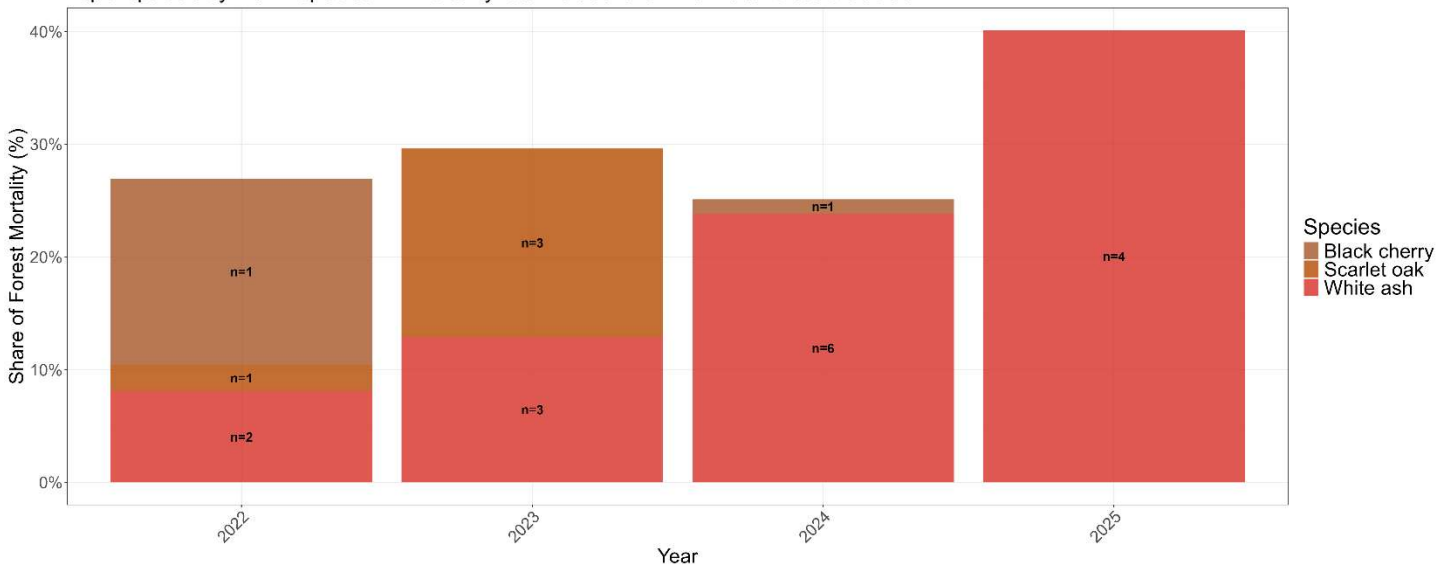


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Basal Area Growth for Top 3 Fastest-Growing Tree Species (± SE)

Mean of tree per-plot BA increments among living trees

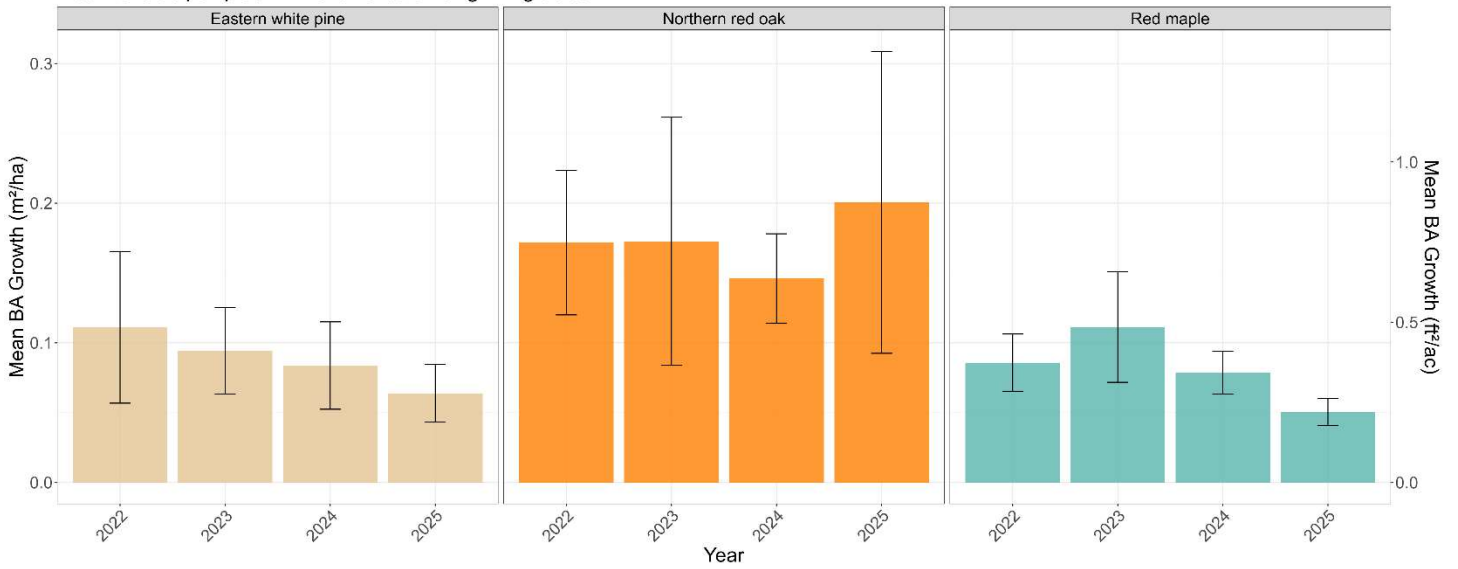


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E. Total Composition – Trees

Tree Basal Area Over Time

Showing the average basal area per species each year.

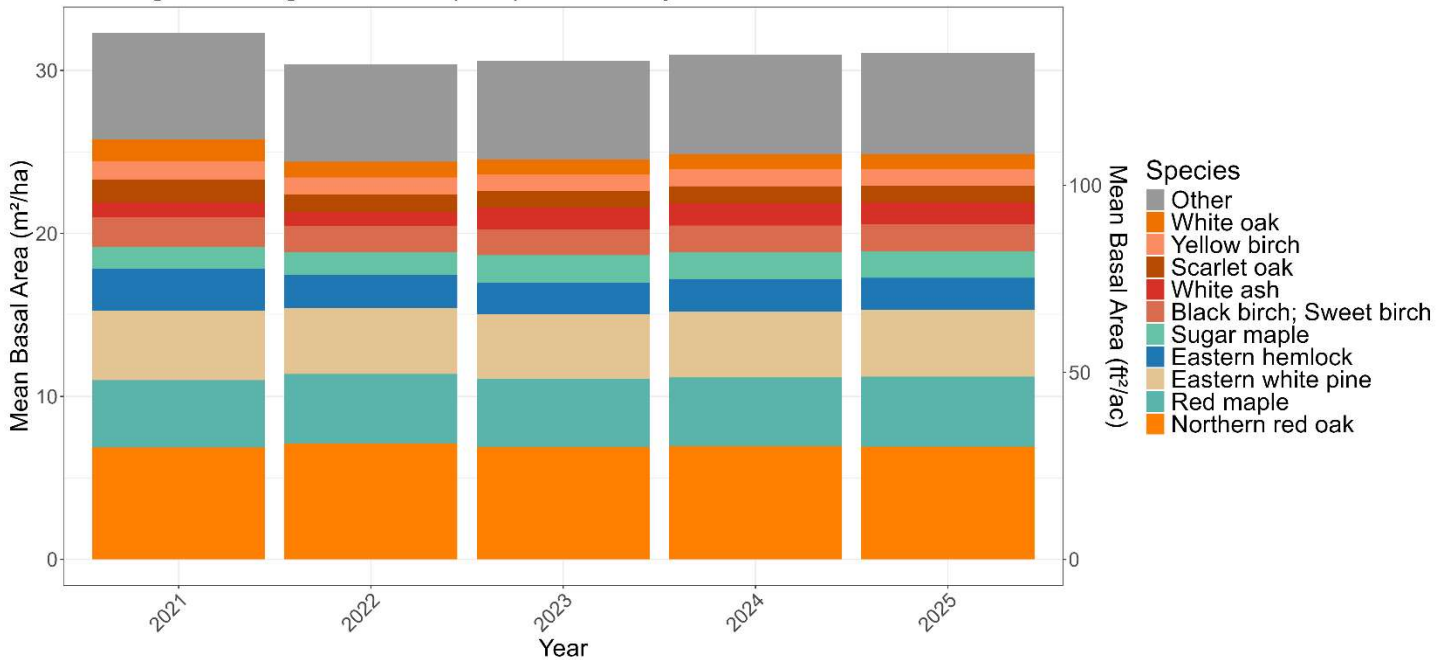


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Section 2. Sapling Analyses (Southern New England)

F. Total Composition – Saplings

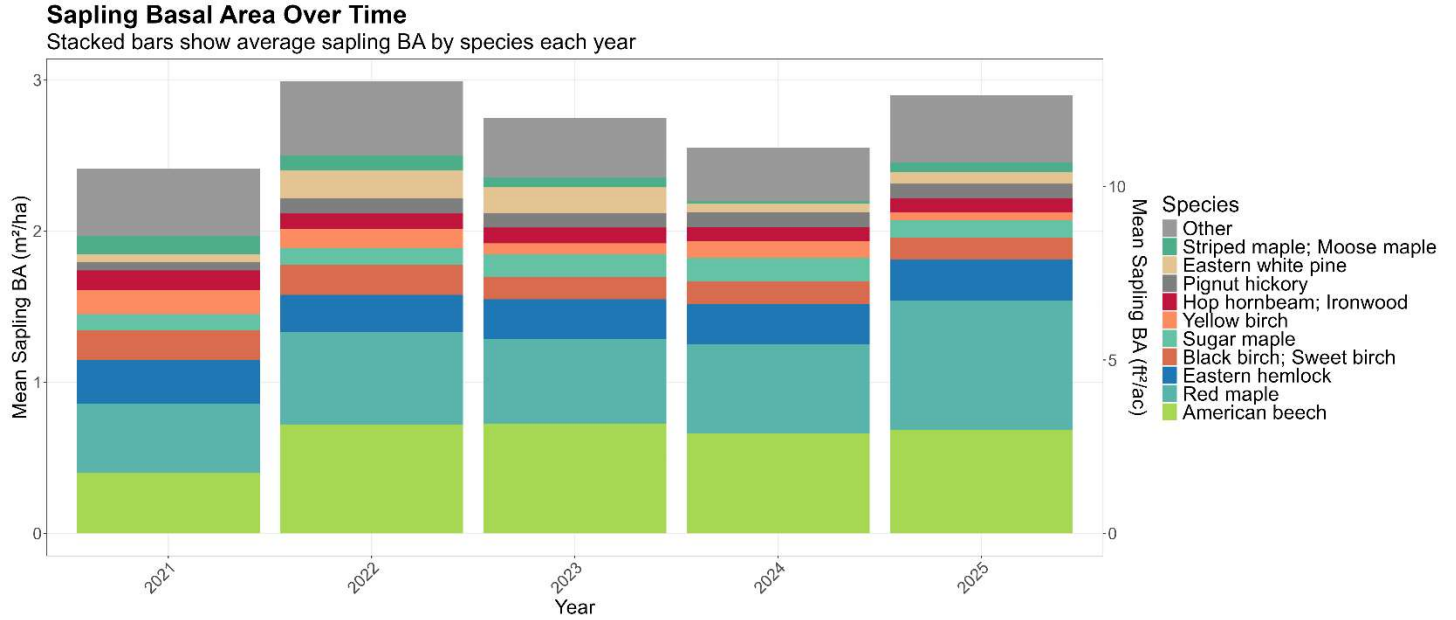


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Section 3. Seedling Analyses (Southern New England)

We have included a seedling class size guide to assist with interpreting the figures in Section 3.

Seedling Type	Class 1	Class 2
Conifer	< 6 in (15 cm) tall	≥ 6 in (15 cm) tall
Hardwood	<12 in (30 cm) tall	≥ 12 in (30 cm) tall

G. Annual Seedling Density Trends (Southern New England)

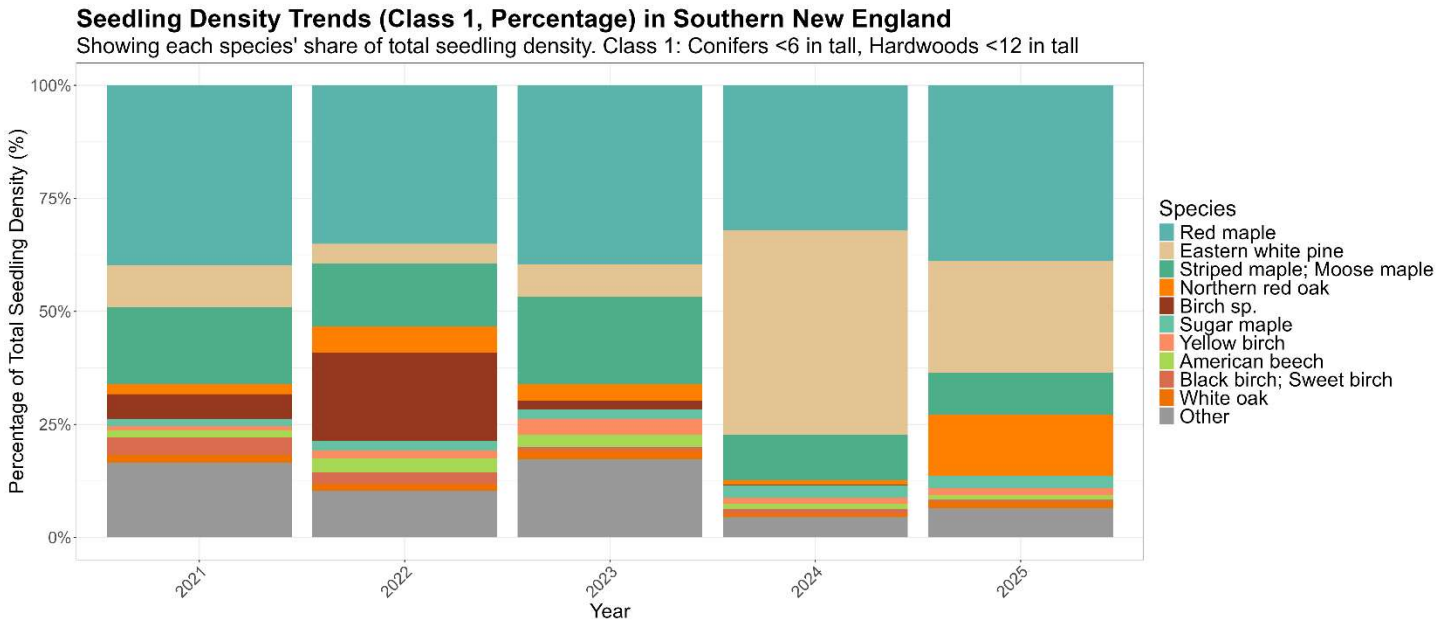


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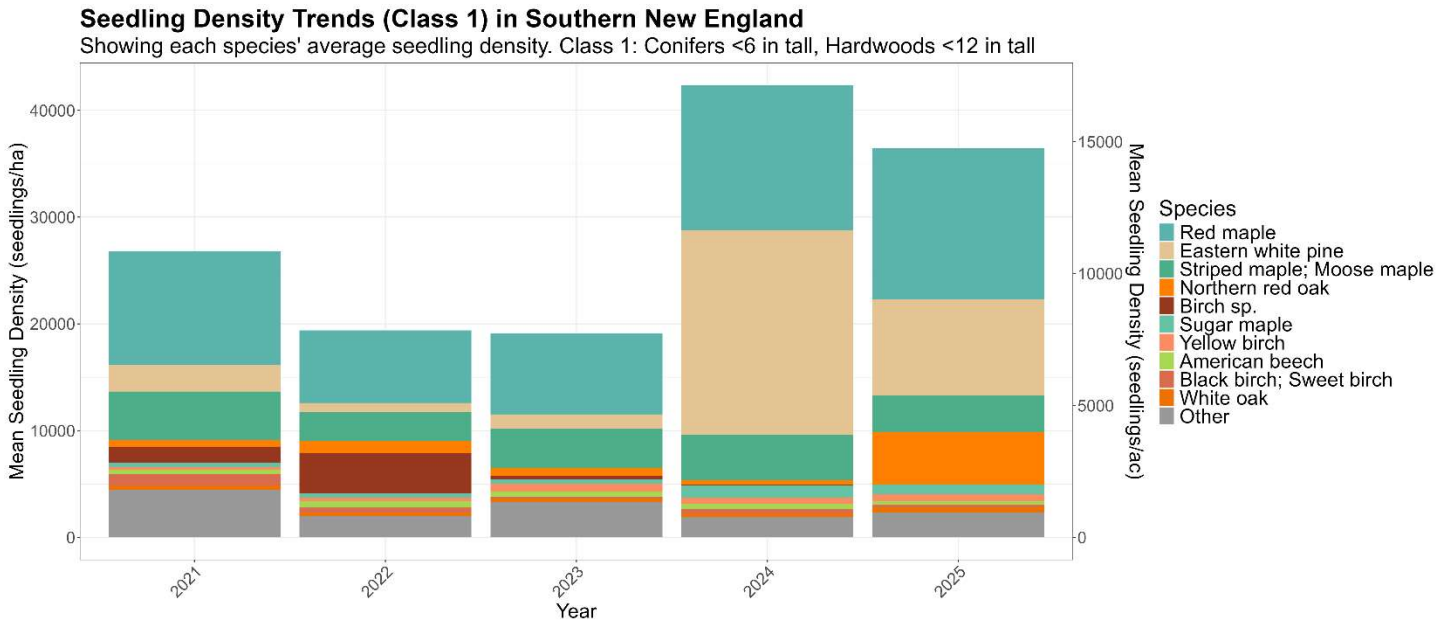


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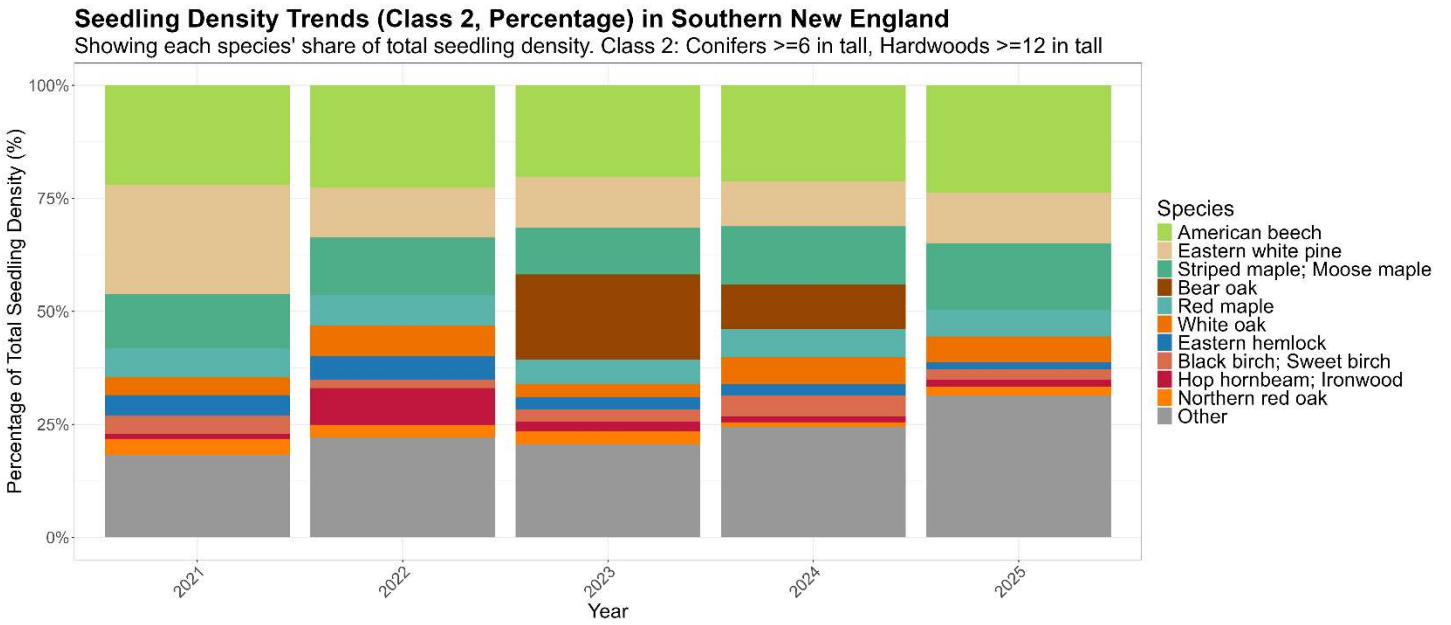


Figure 3G-iii. Percent annual composition of Class 2 seedlings surveyed each year in Southern NE. The top ten most represented species by stem count are shown individually, while all species not in the top ten are combined into “Other.”

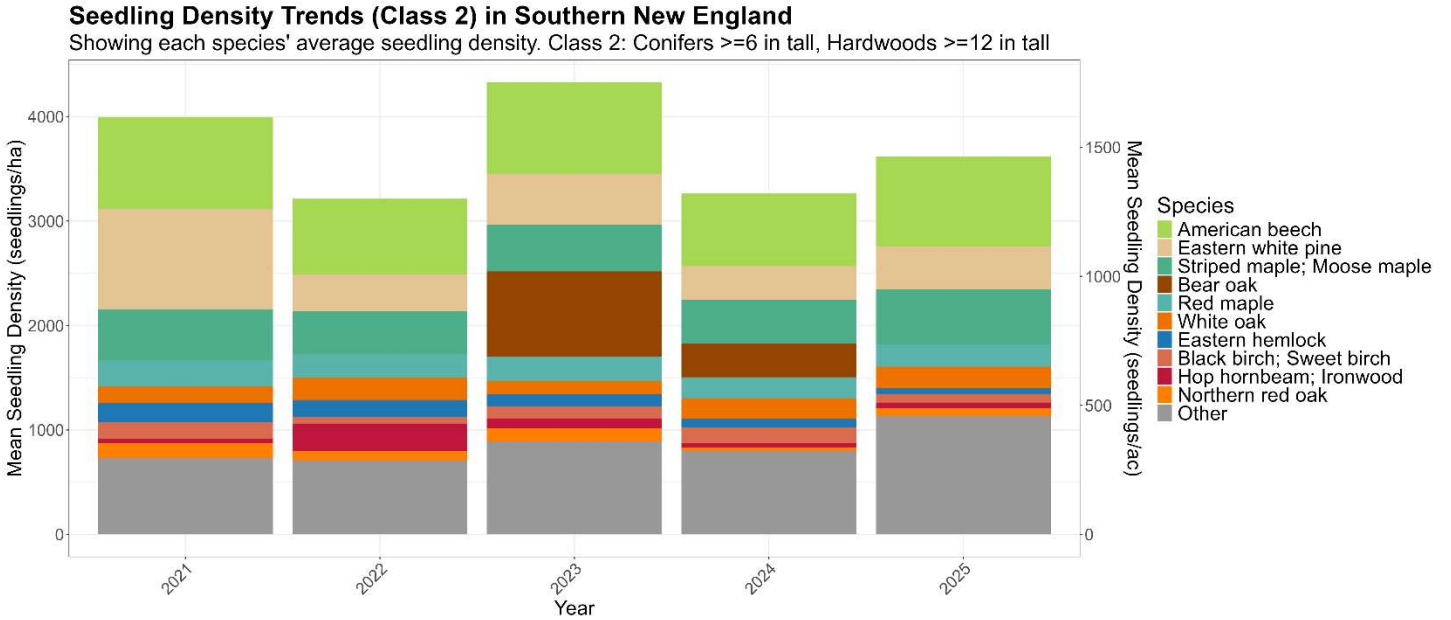


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Maine

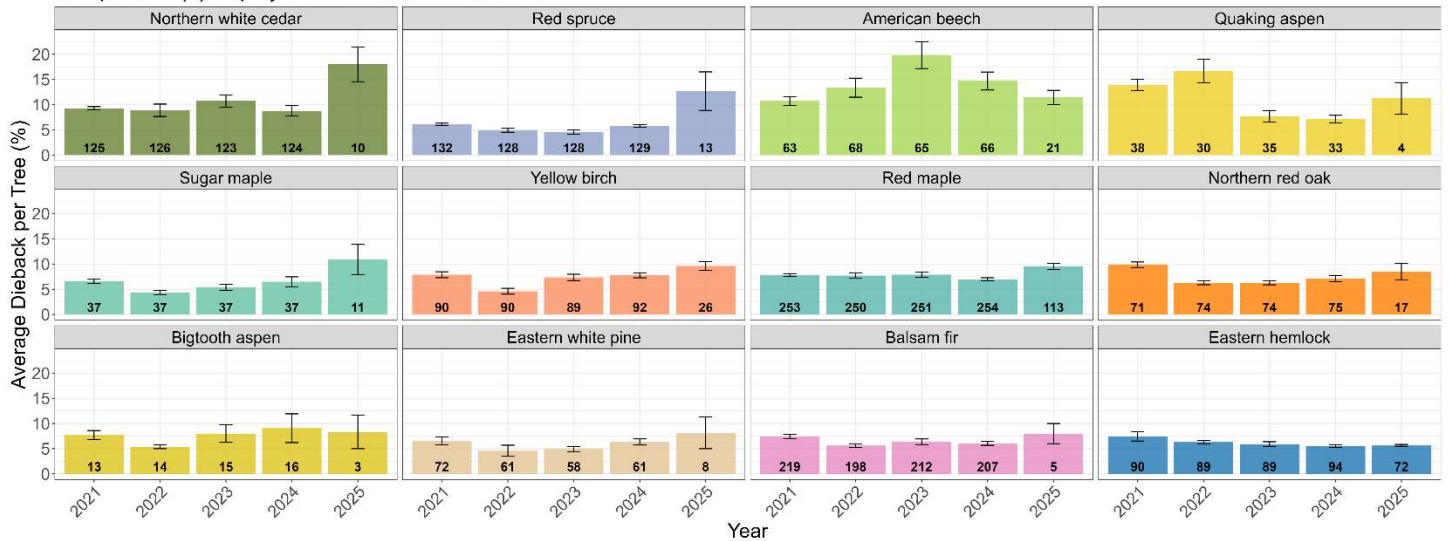
Due to logistical reasons, we were only able to visit 11 of the 35 Maine plots in 2025. Therefore, there may be some differences in the Maine data reflected in this year’s report that are not necessarily reflective of statewide sampling trends. We will return to visit all Maine plots in the 2026 season.

Section 1. Tree Analyses (Maine)

A. Dieback Trends (Maine)

Dieback per Year in ME

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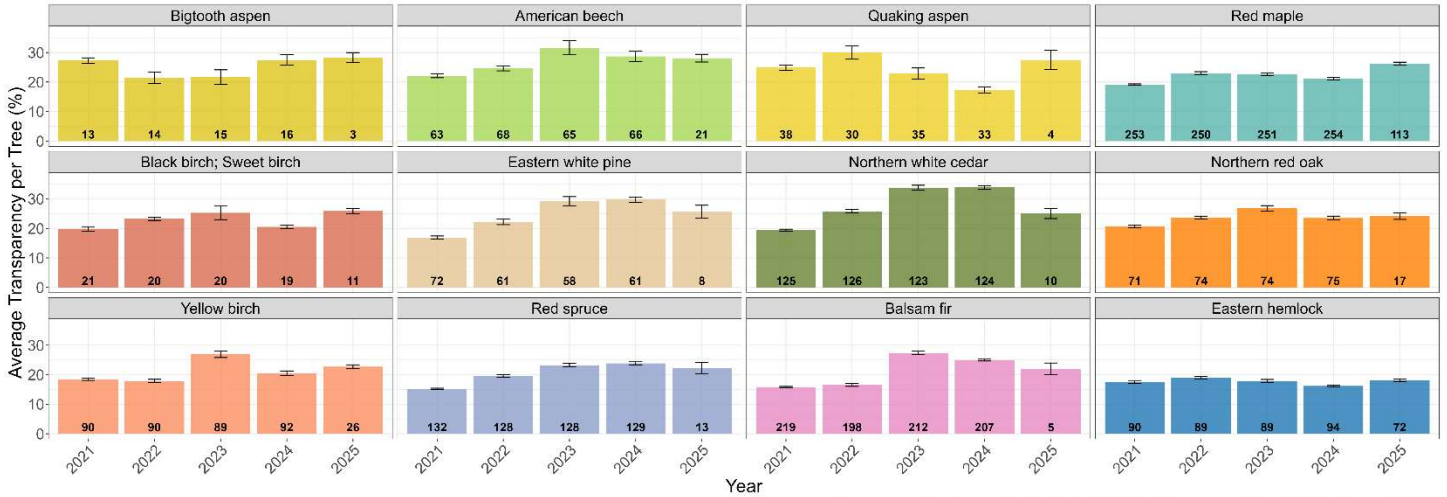
Less prevalent species included: Sugar maple, Bigtooth aspen.

Figure 1A. Maine average fine twig dieback trends by species and year for the top ten species by basal area, plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high dieback (sugar maple, bigtooth aspen). Species are ordered by highest dieback in 2025.

B. Transparency trends (Maine)

Average Transparency per Year in ME

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Less prevalent species included: Bigtooth aspen, Black birch, Sweet birch.

Figure 1B. Maine average leaf transparency trends by species and year, for the top ten species by basal area plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high transparency (bigtooth aspen, black/sweet birch). Species are ordered by greatest transparency in 2025.

C. Vigor Trends (Maine)

Trends in Tree Health and Basal Area in ME

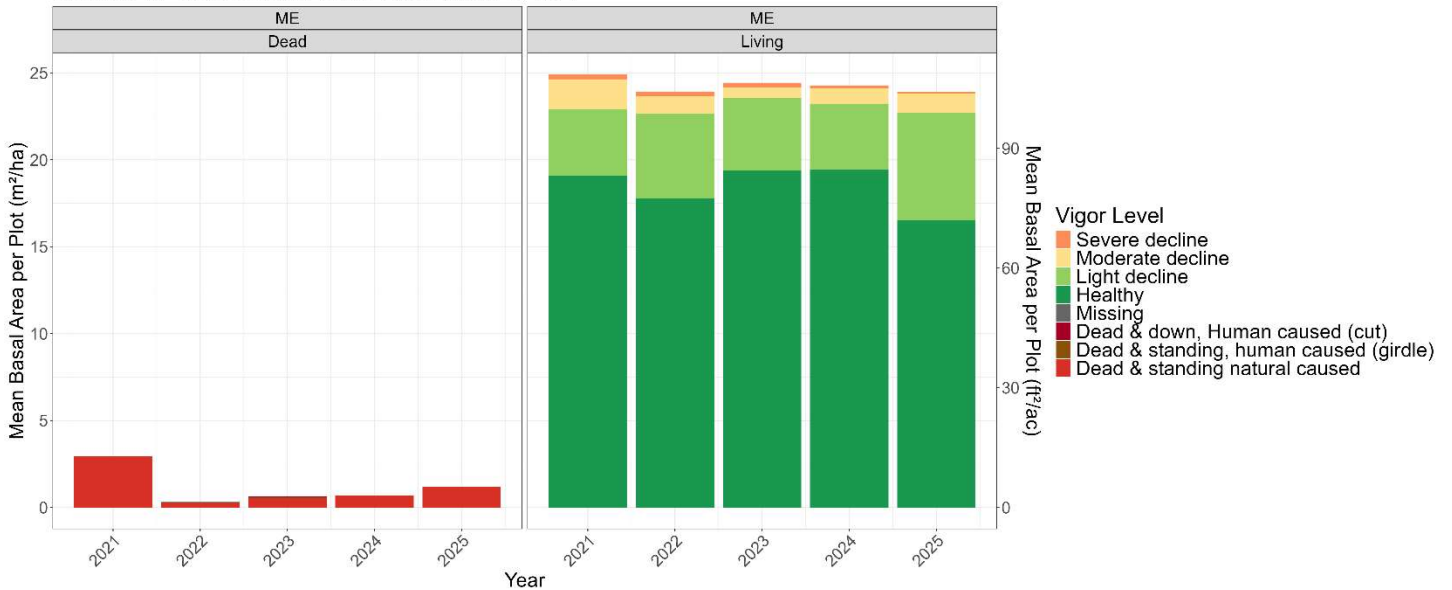
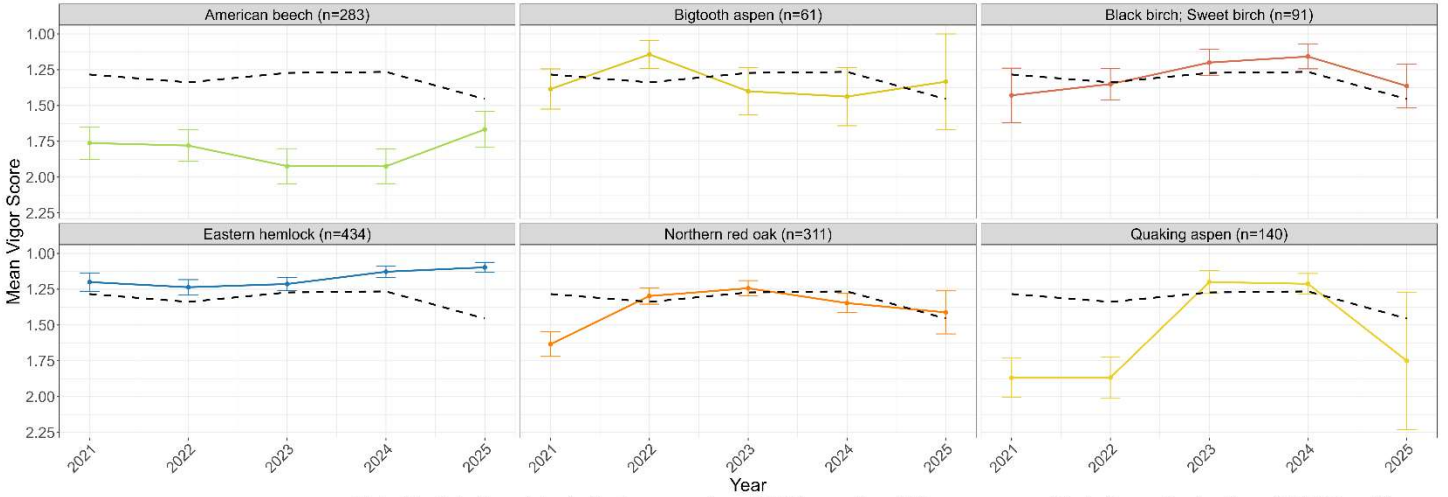


Figure 1C-i. State-specific mean basal area per plot in hectares (m^2/ha , left axis) and acres (ft^2/ac , right axis) for living and dead trees in Maine. Data are grouped by tree status with living classes shown on the right and dead classes on the left.

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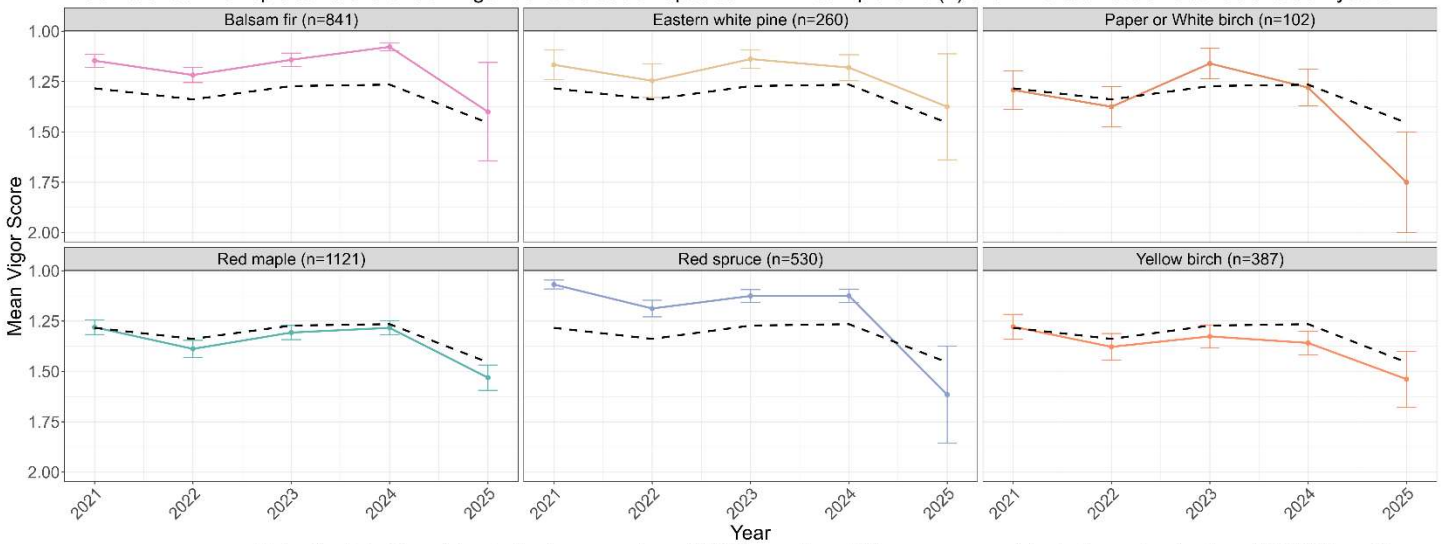


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D. Annual Growth and Mortality Trends – Trees (Maine)

Share of Total Forest Mortality (by Tree Count)

Top 3 species by within-species mortality rate. Labels show individual trees that died.

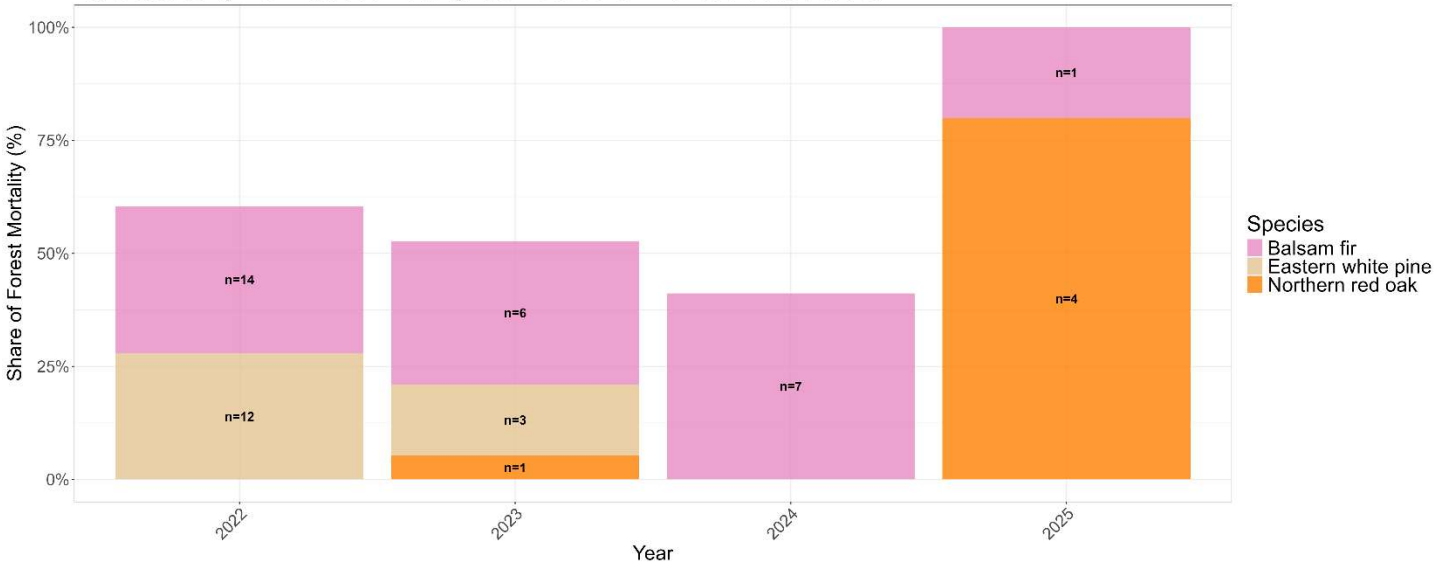


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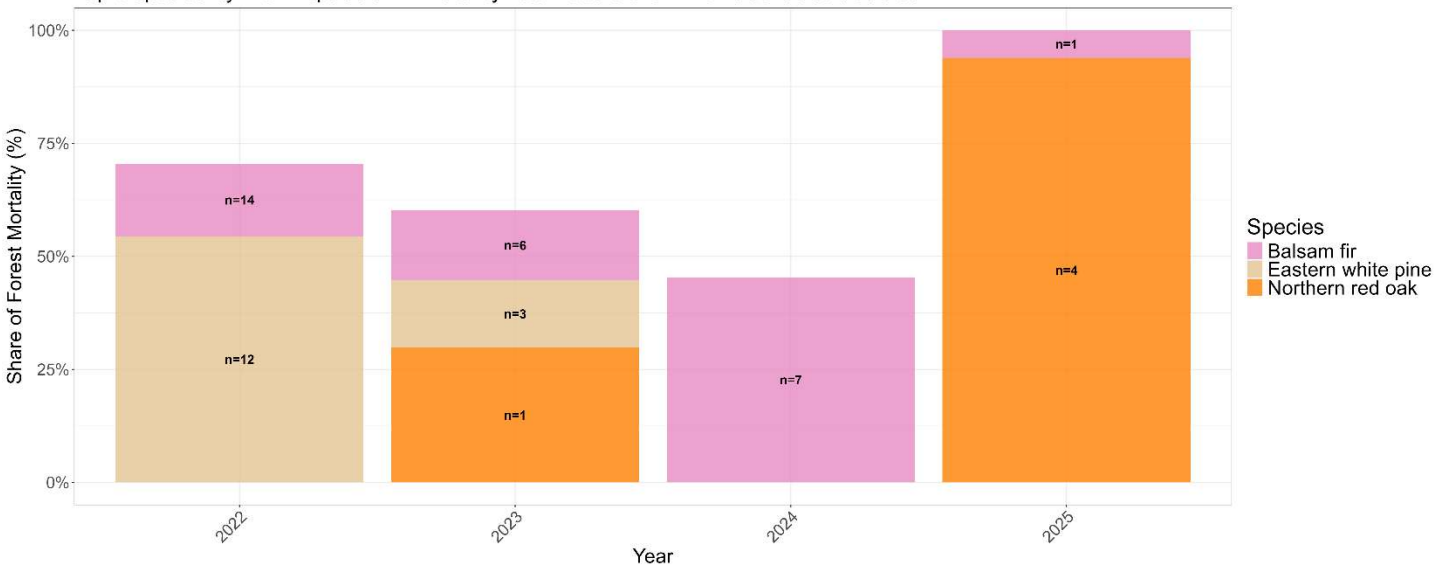


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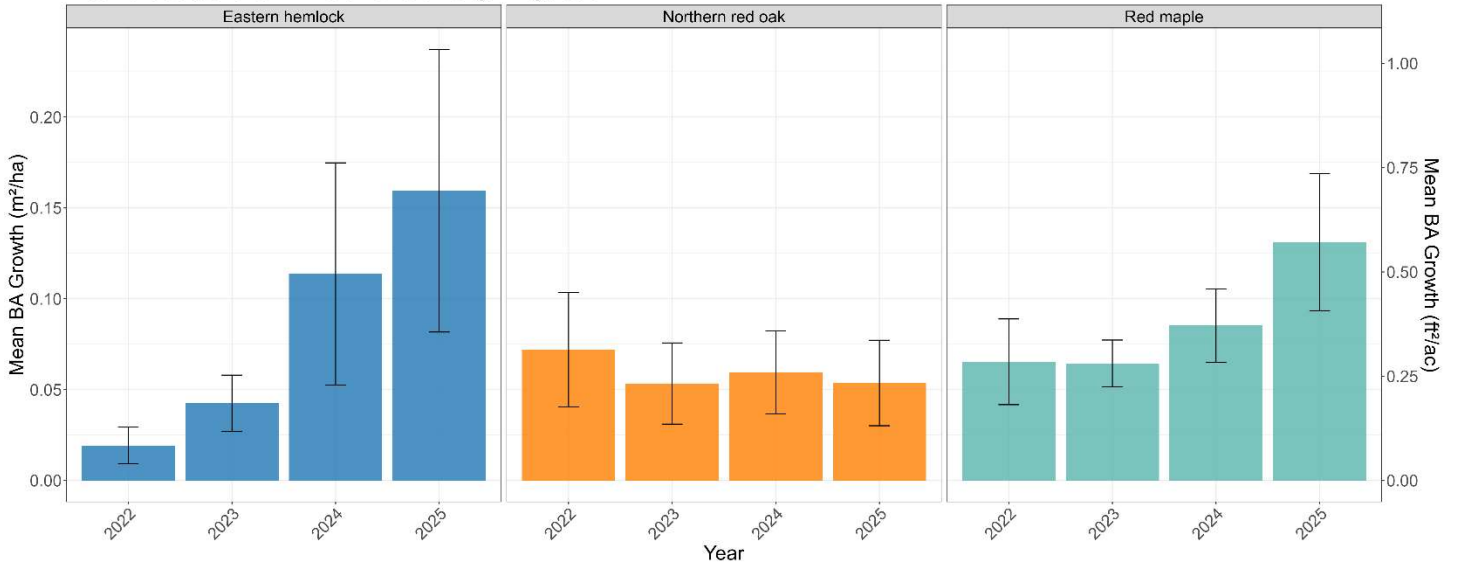
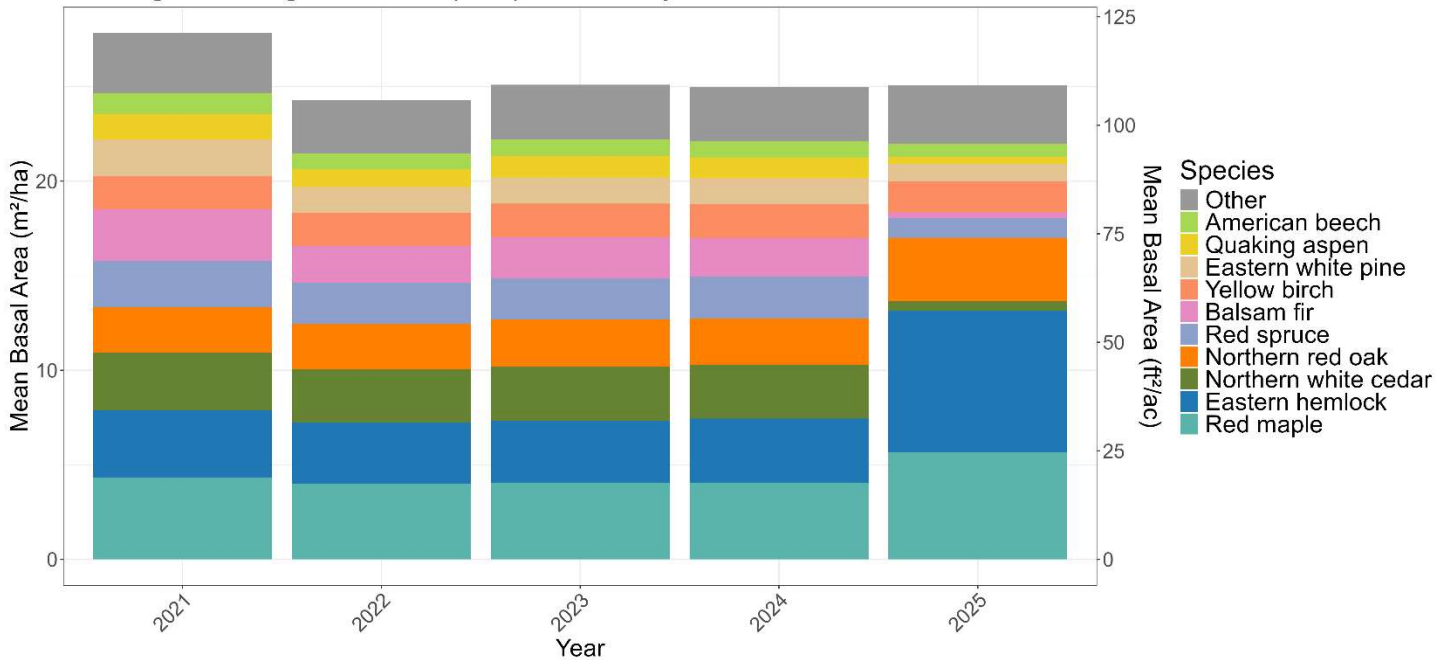


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E. Total Composition – Trees (Maine)

Tree Basal Area Over Time

Showing the average basal area per species each year.



Top 10 species by basal area shown; remaining species grouped as 'Other'.

Figure 1E. Overall species composition by average live basal area in hectares (m²/ha, left axis) and acres (ft²/ac, right axis) across all tree species surveyed each year in Maine. Species that ranked among the top ten for overall basal area are shown individually, while all species not in the top ten are combined into “Other.”

Section 2. Sapling Analyses (Maine)

F. Total Composition – Saplings (Maine)

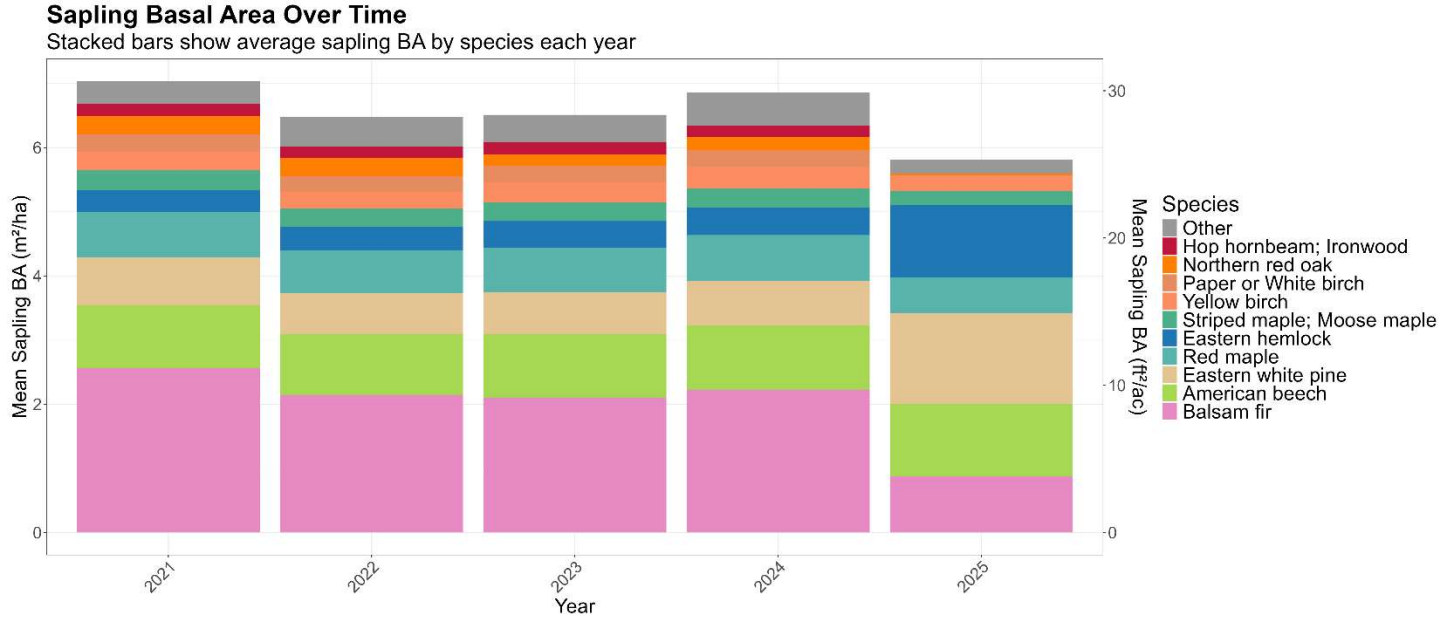


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G. Annual Seedling Density Trends (Maine)

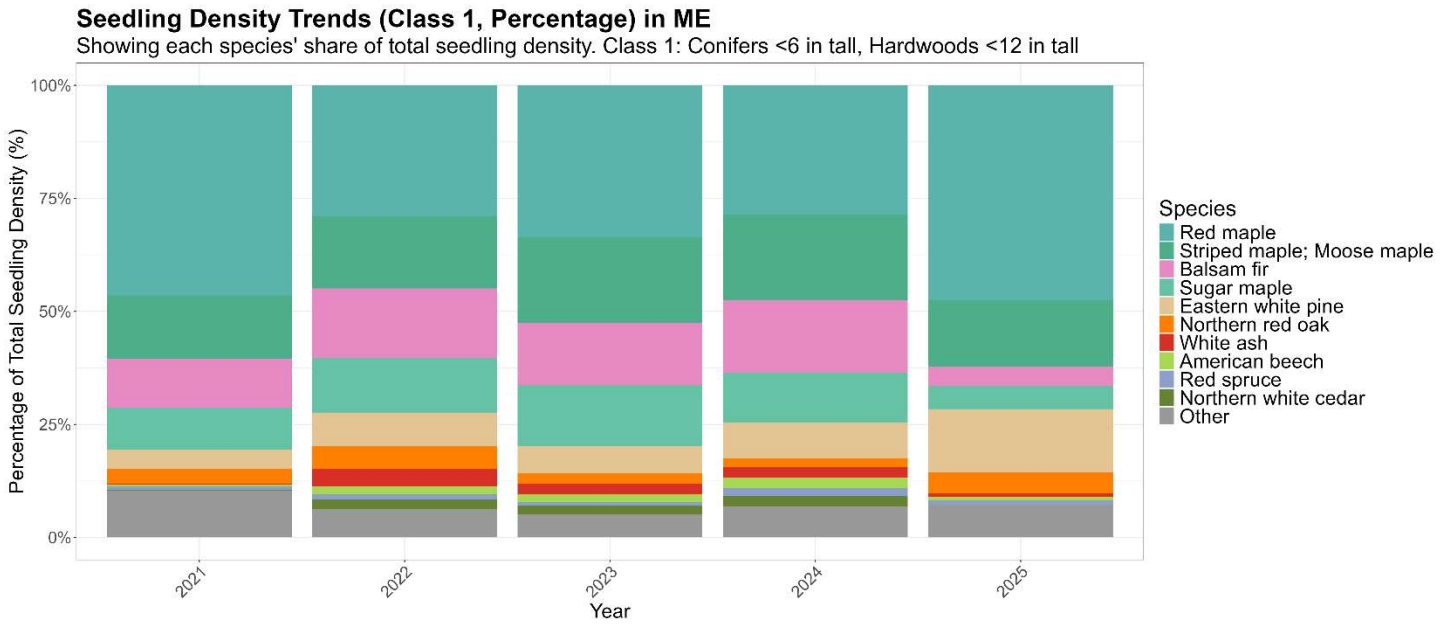


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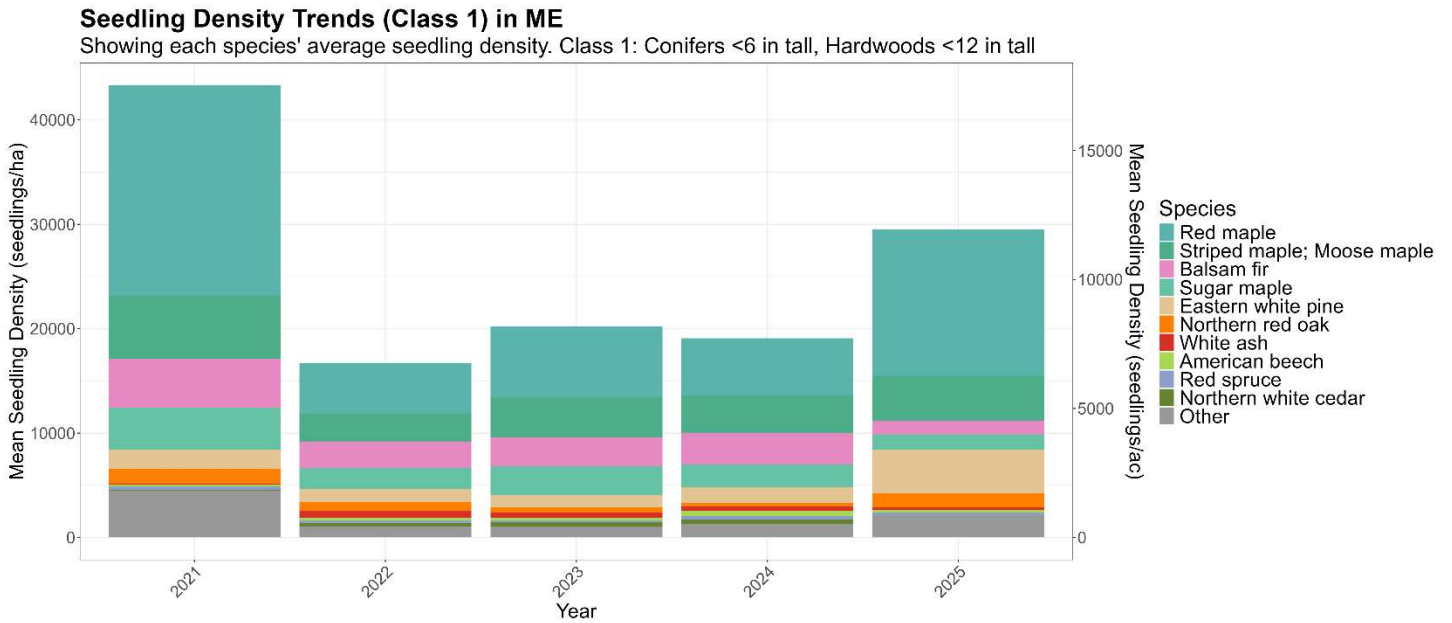


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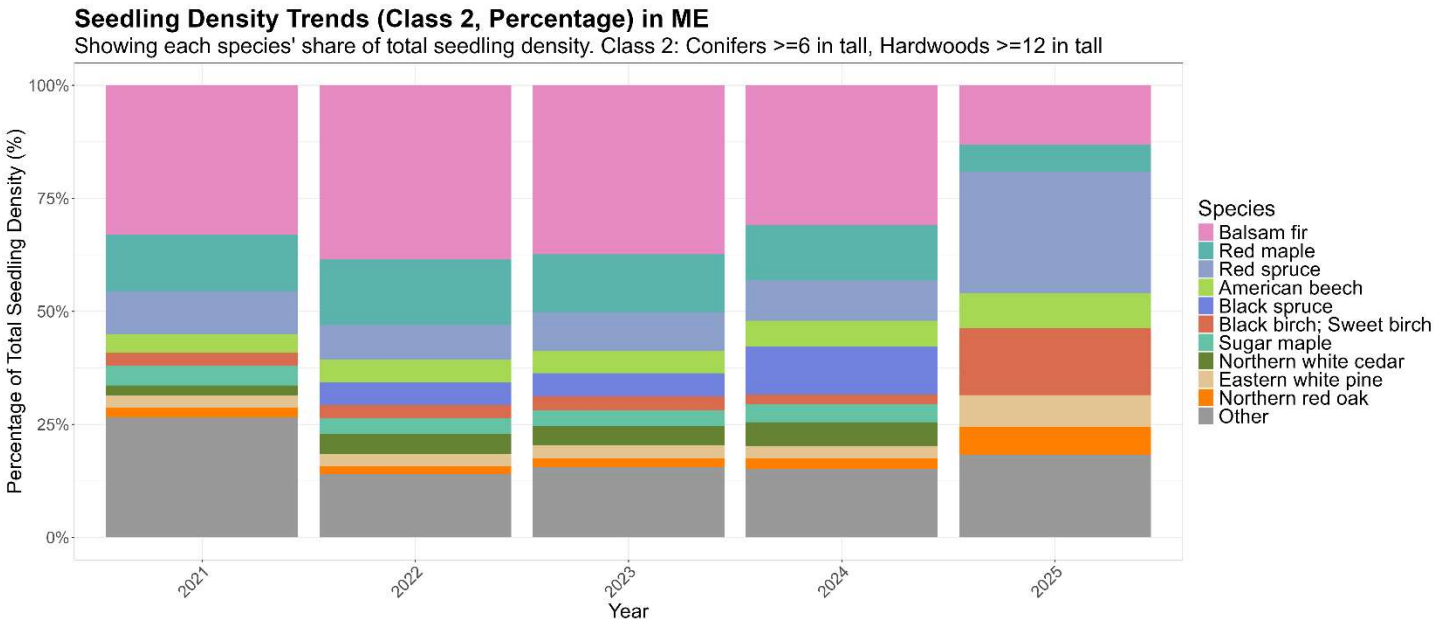


Figure 3G-iii. Percent annual composition of Class 2 seedlings surveyed each year in Maine. The top ten most represented species by stem count are shown individually, while all species not in the top ten are combined into “Other.”

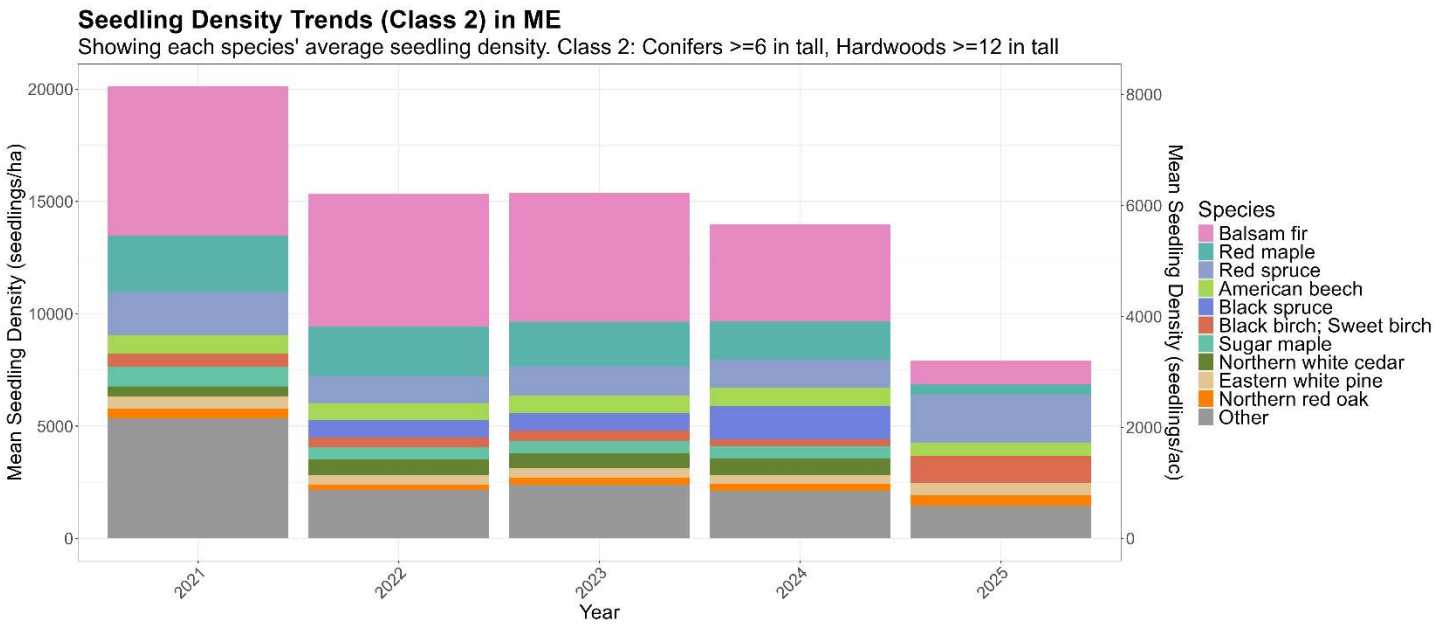


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New Hampshire

Section 1. Tree Analyses (New Hampshire)

A. Dieback Trends (New Hampshire)

Dieback per Year in NH

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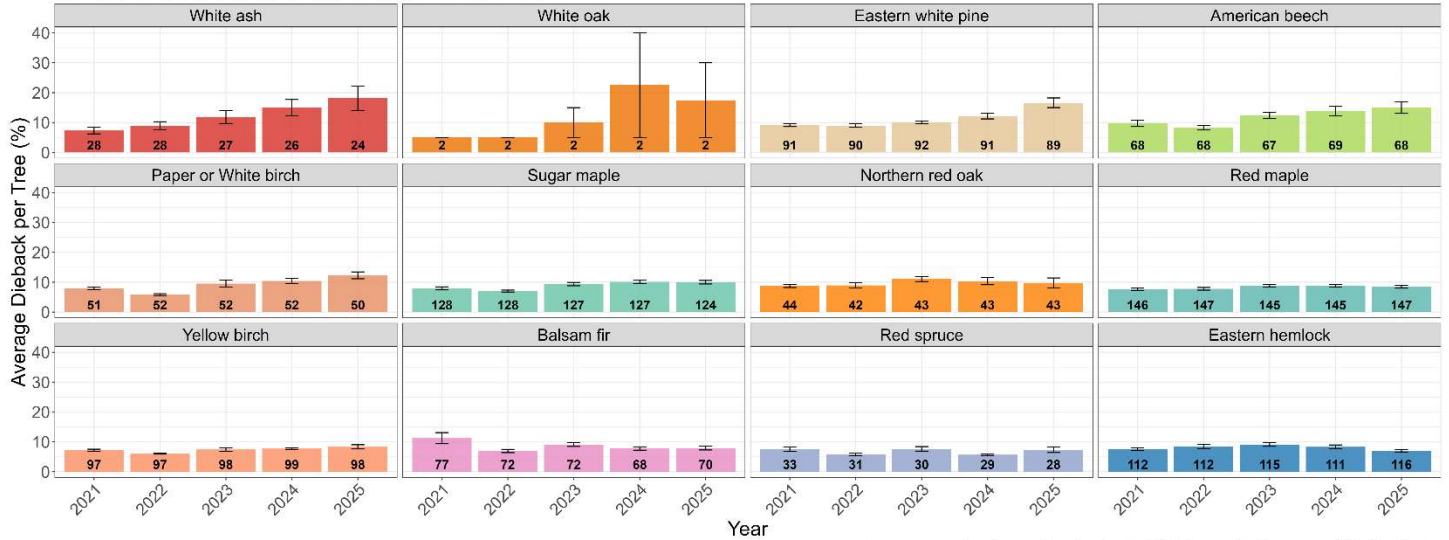


Figure 1A. New Hampshire average fine twig dieback trends by species and year for the top ten species by basal area, plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high dieback (white oak, paper/white birch). Species are ordered by highest dieback in 2025.

B. Transparency Trends (New Hampshire)

Average Transparency per Year in NH

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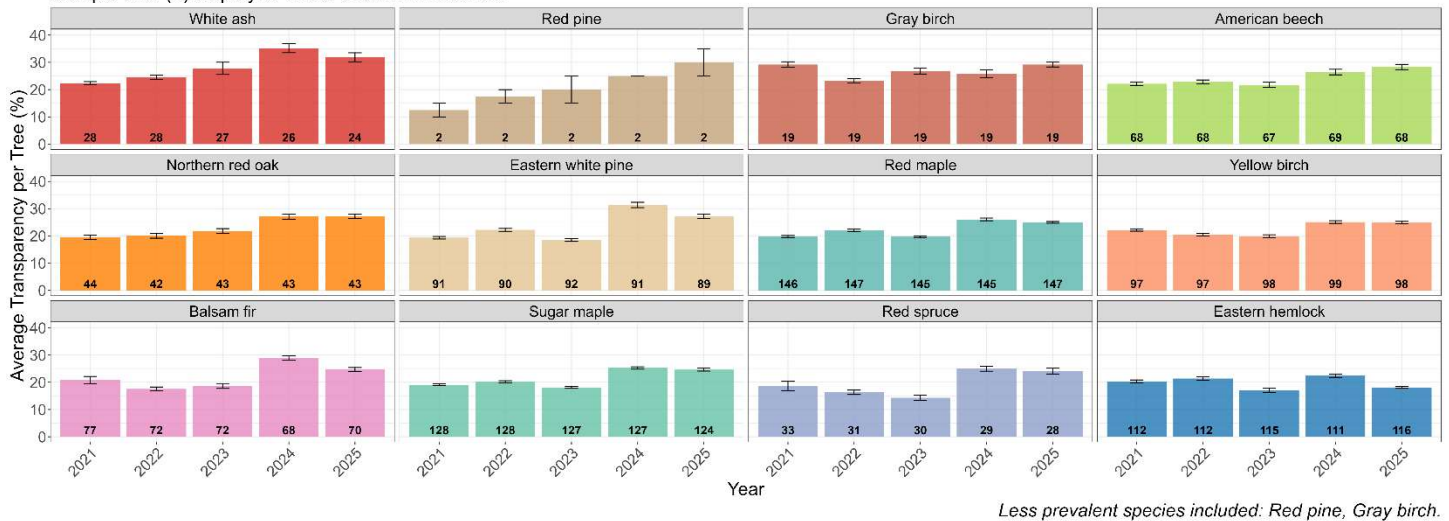


Figure 1B. New Hampshire average leaf transparency trends by species and year, for the top ten species by basal area plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high transparency (red pine, gray birch). Species are ordered by greatest transparency in 2025.

C. Vigor Trends (New Hampshire)

Trends in Tree Health and Basal Area in NH

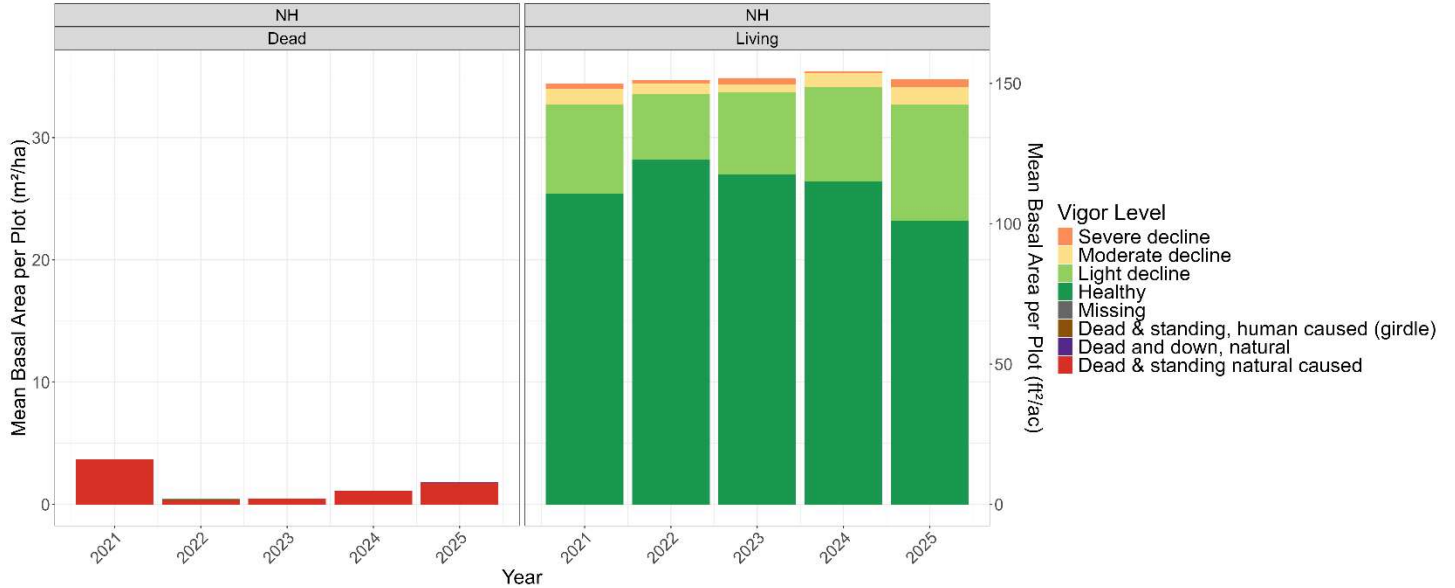
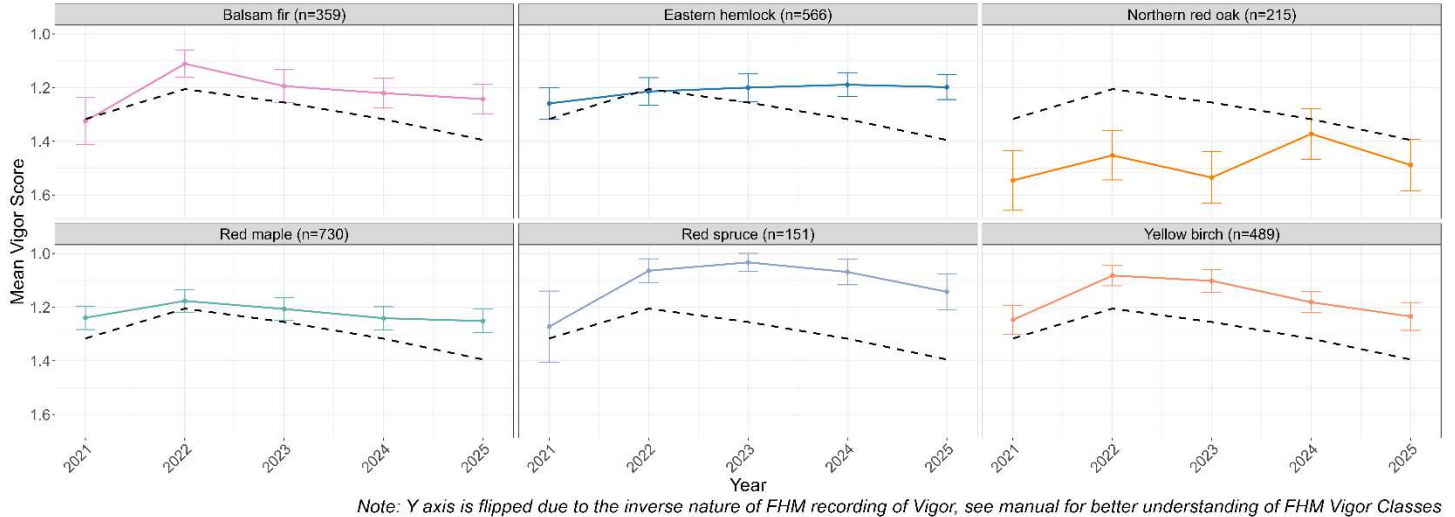


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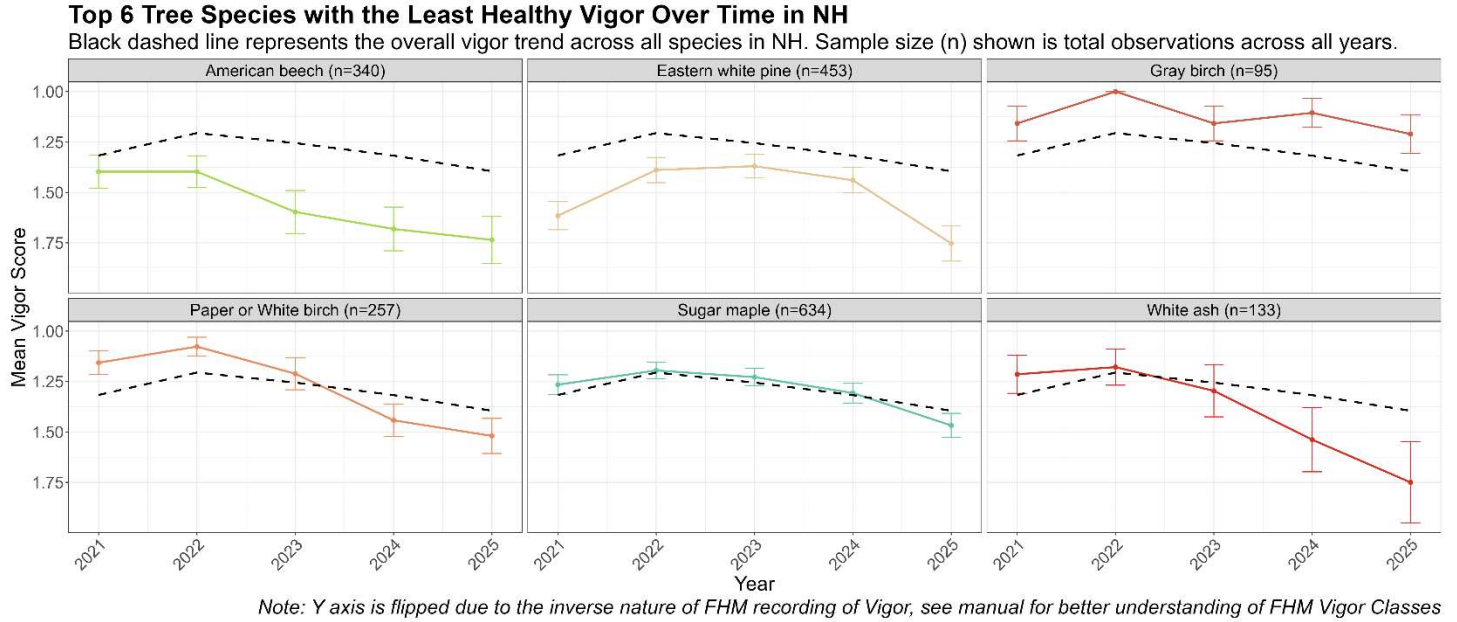


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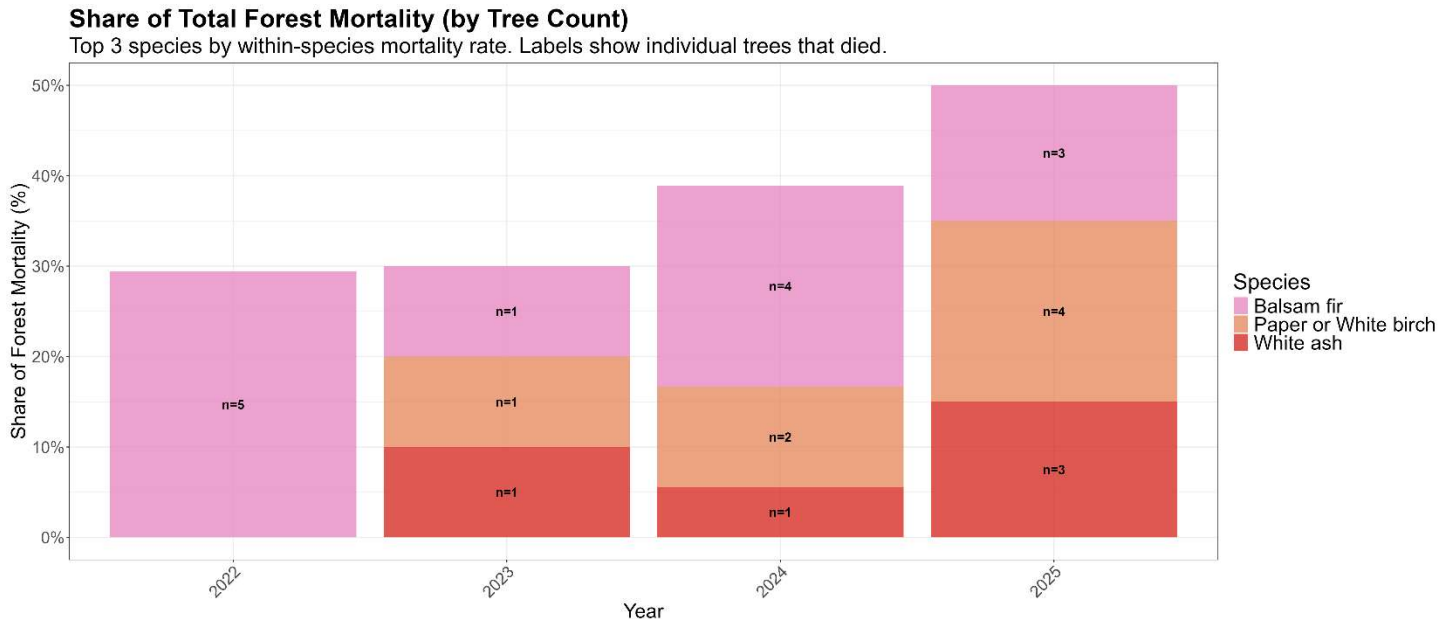


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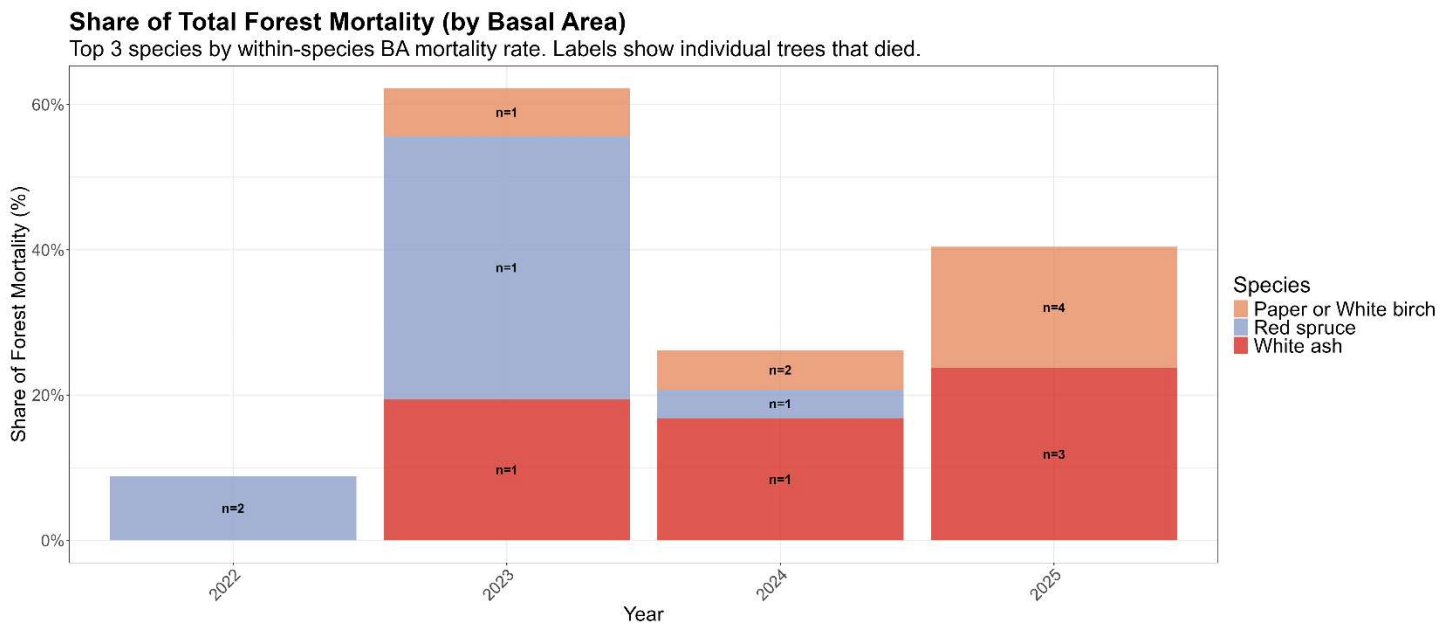


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Basal Area Growth for Top 3 Fastest-Growing Tree Species (± SE)

Mean of tree per-plot BA increments among living trees

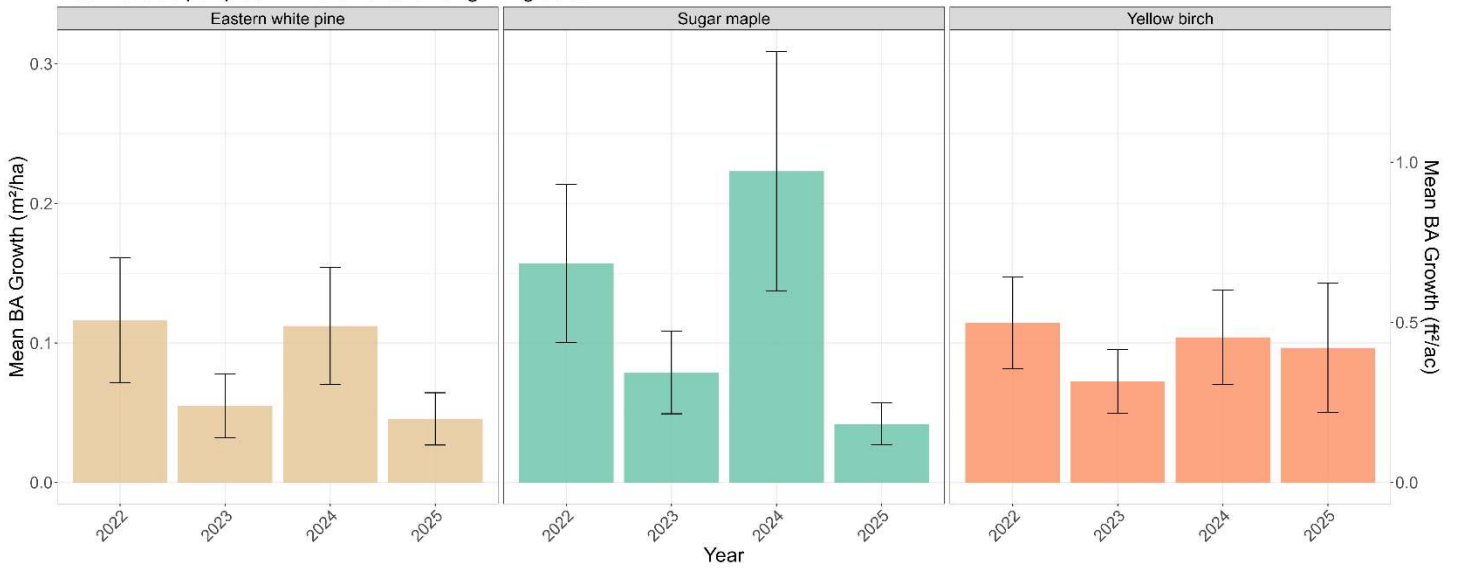
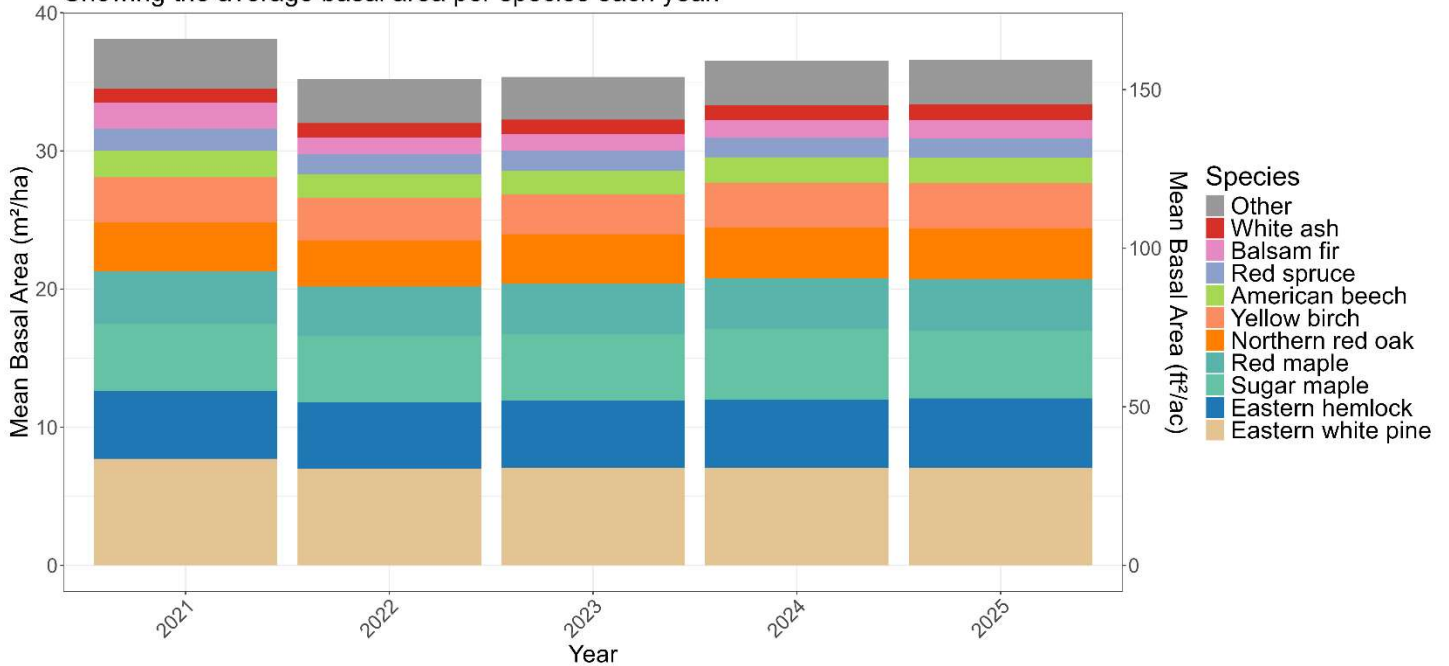


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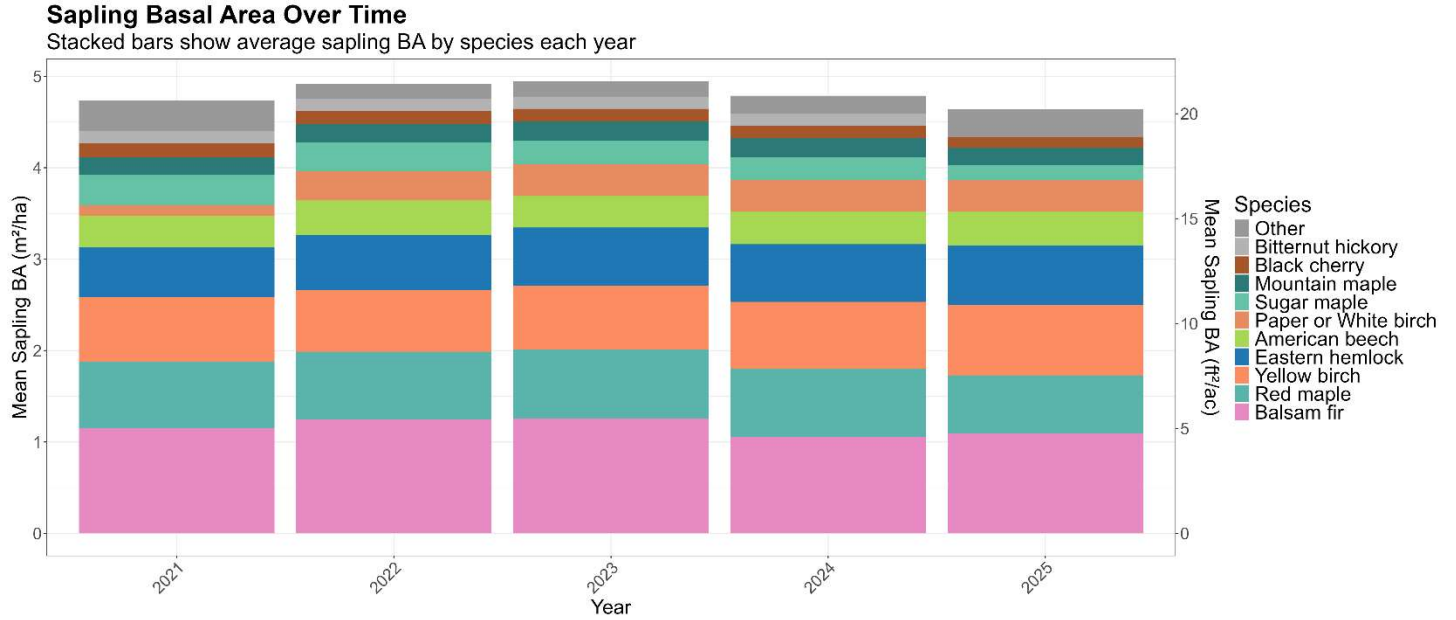


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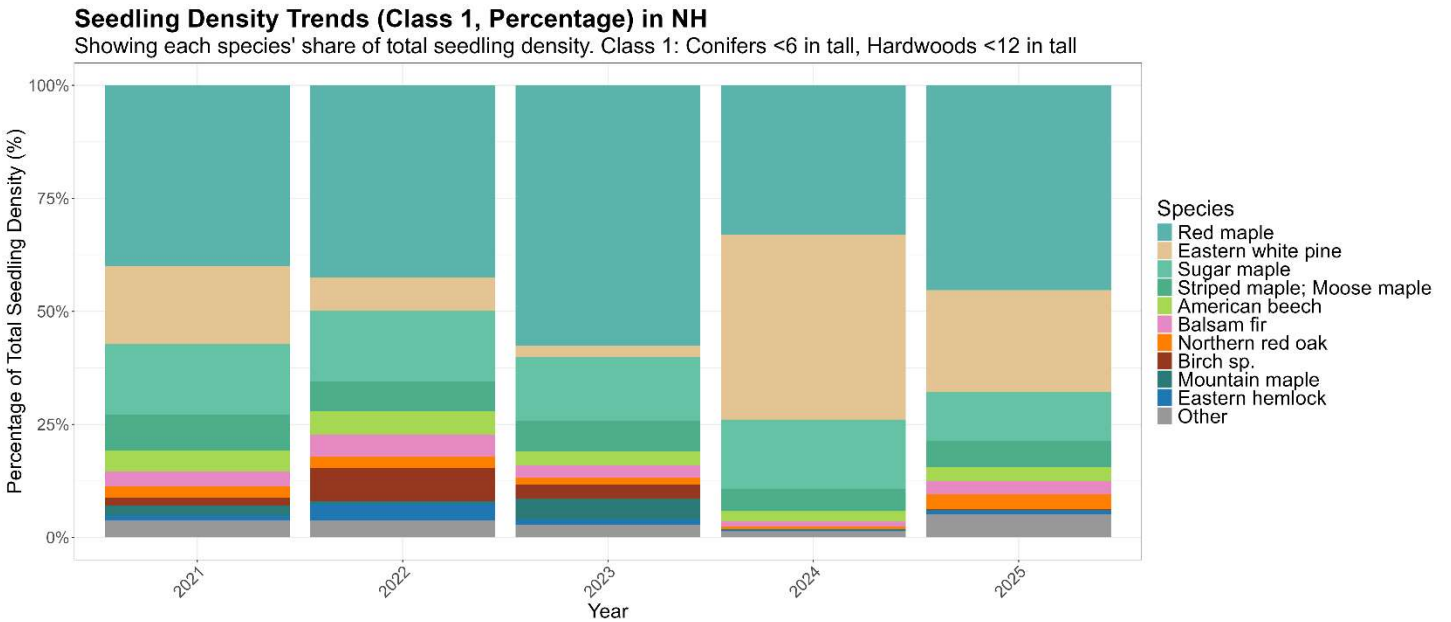


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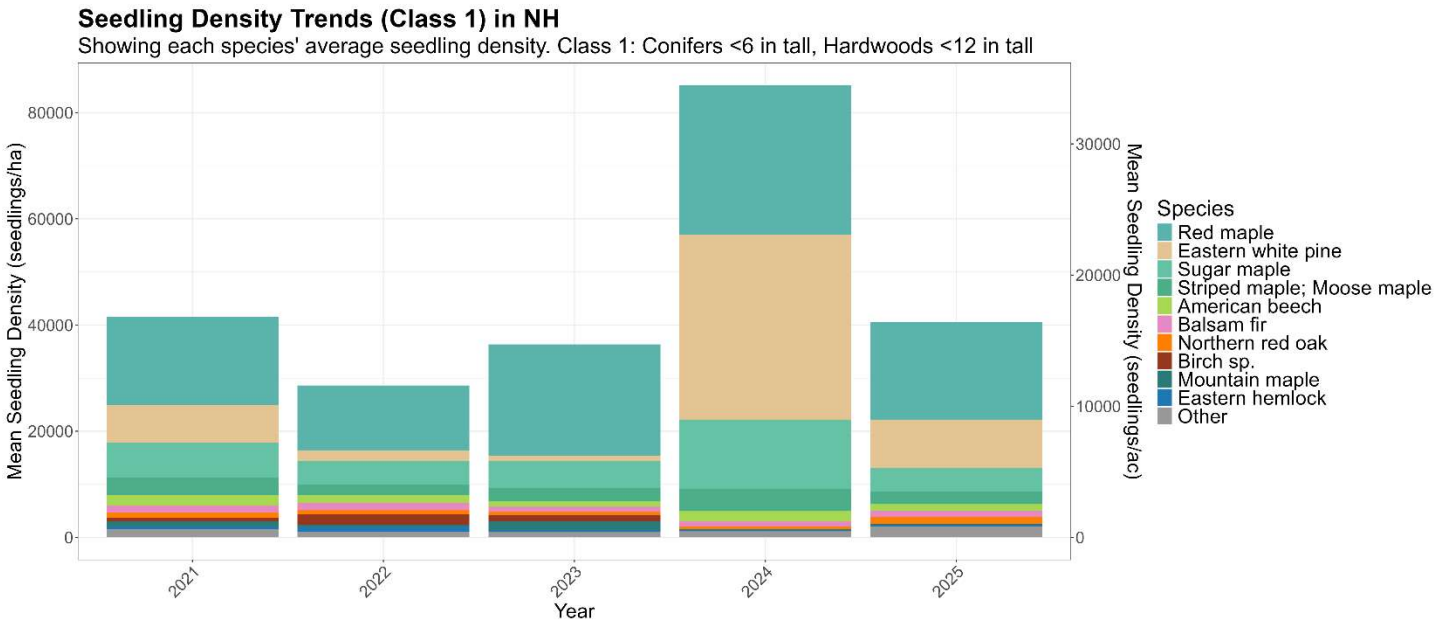


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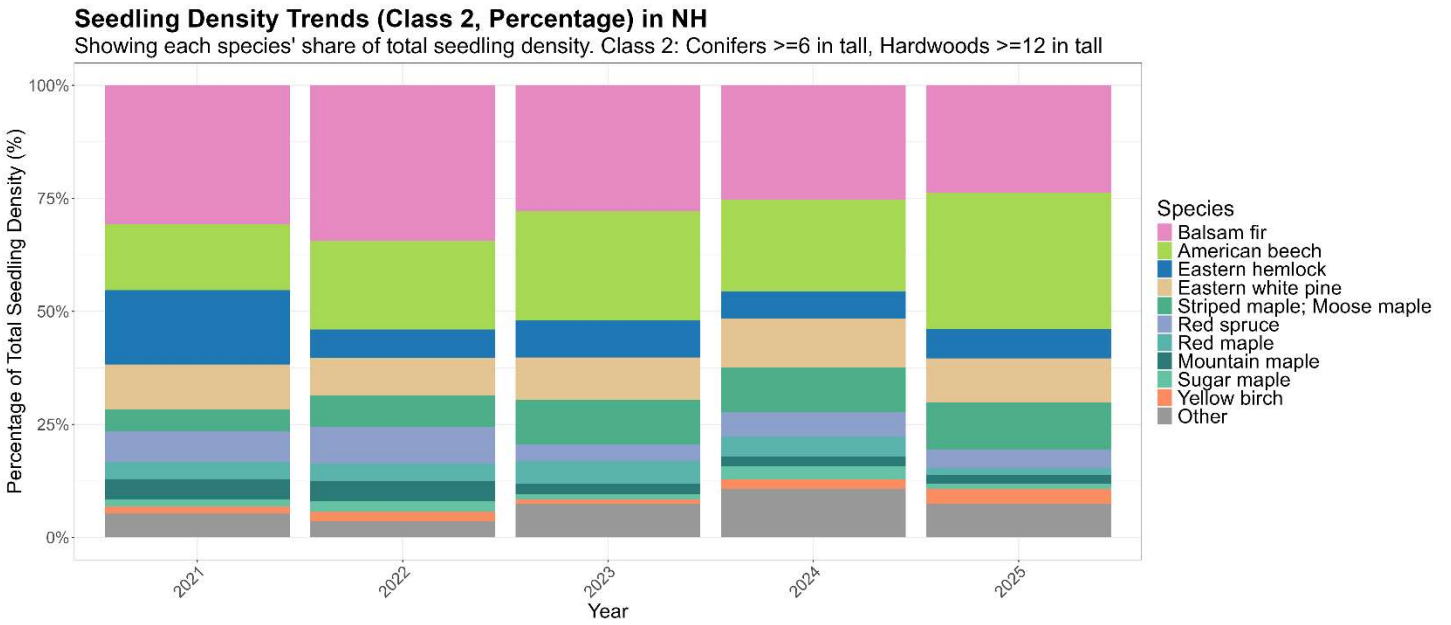


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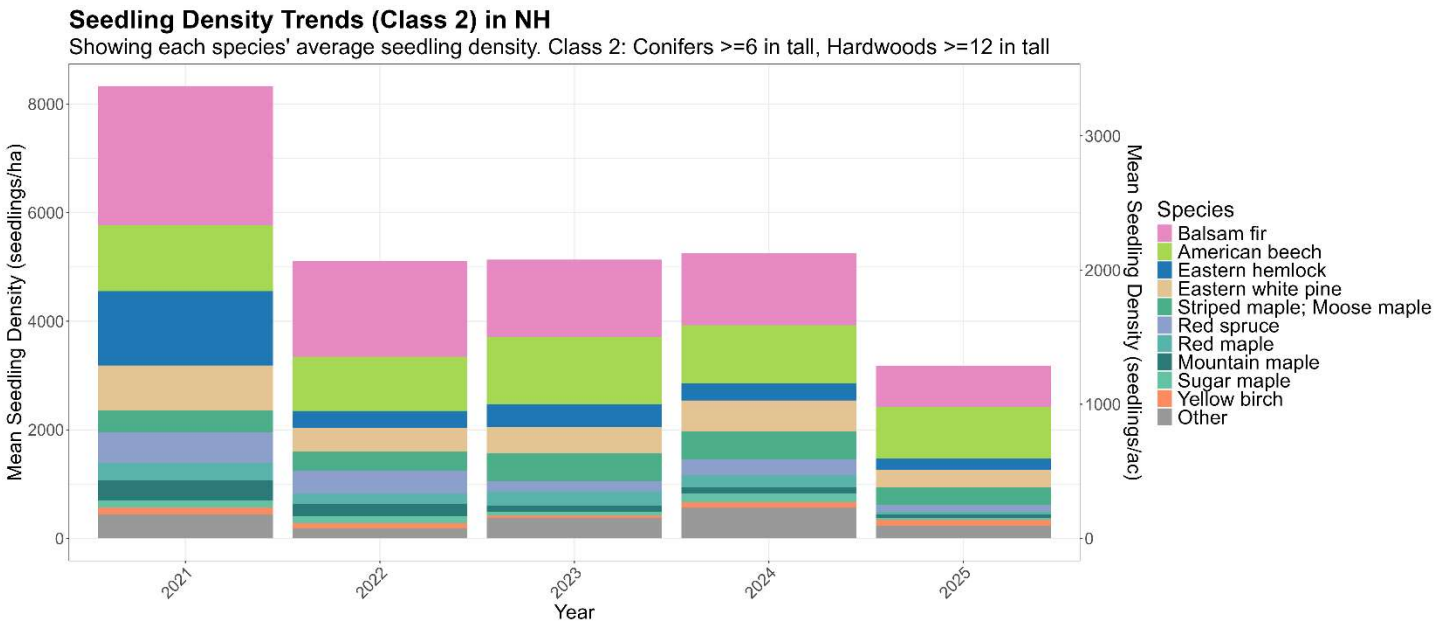


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New York

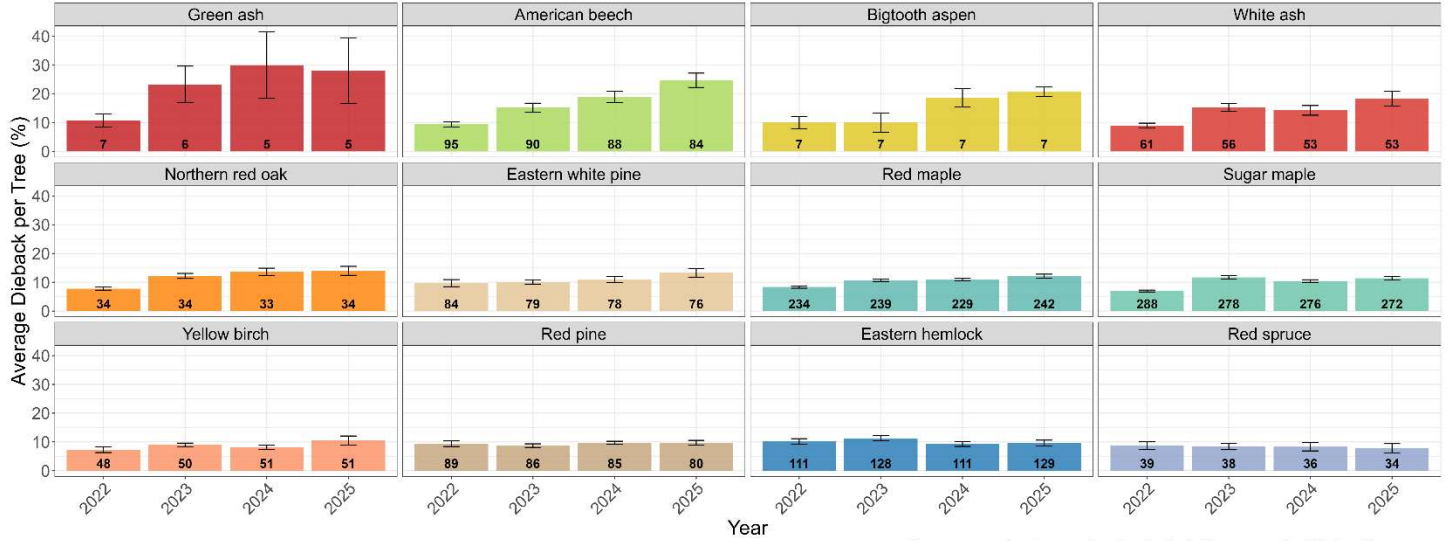
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Section 1. Tree Analyses (New York)

A. Dieback Trends (New York)

Dieback per Year in NY

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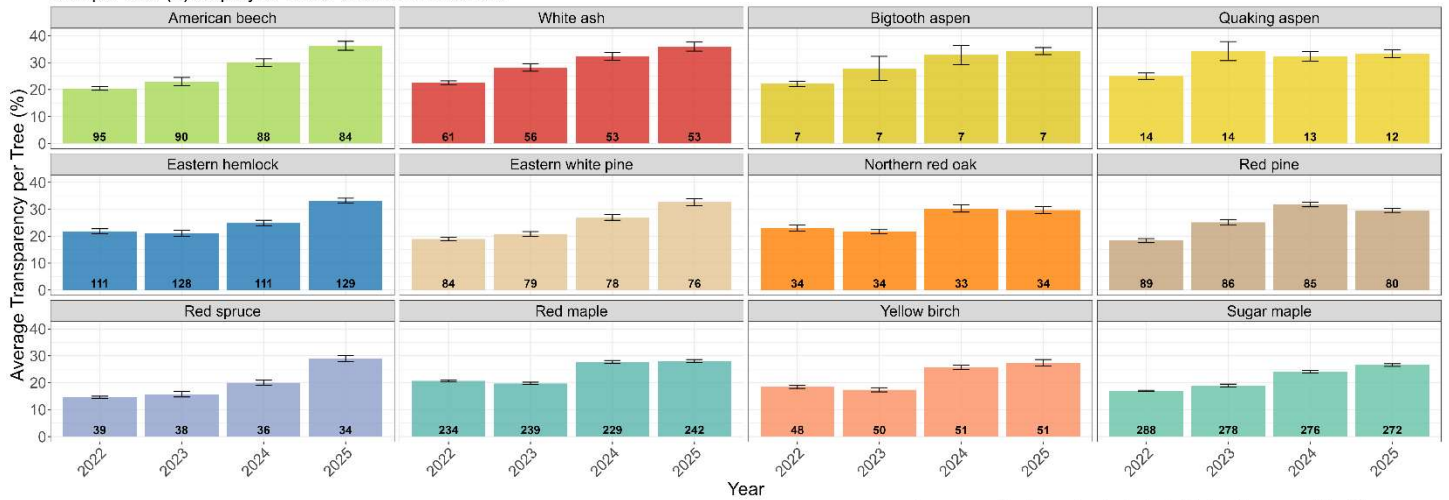
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B. Transparency Trends (New York)

Average Transparency per Year in NY

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Figure 1B. New York average leaf transparency trends by species and year, for the top ten species by basal area plus two that are less prevalent by basal area but exhibit high transparency (bigtooth aspen, quaking aspen). Species are ordered by greatest transparency in 2025.

C. Vigor Trends (New York)

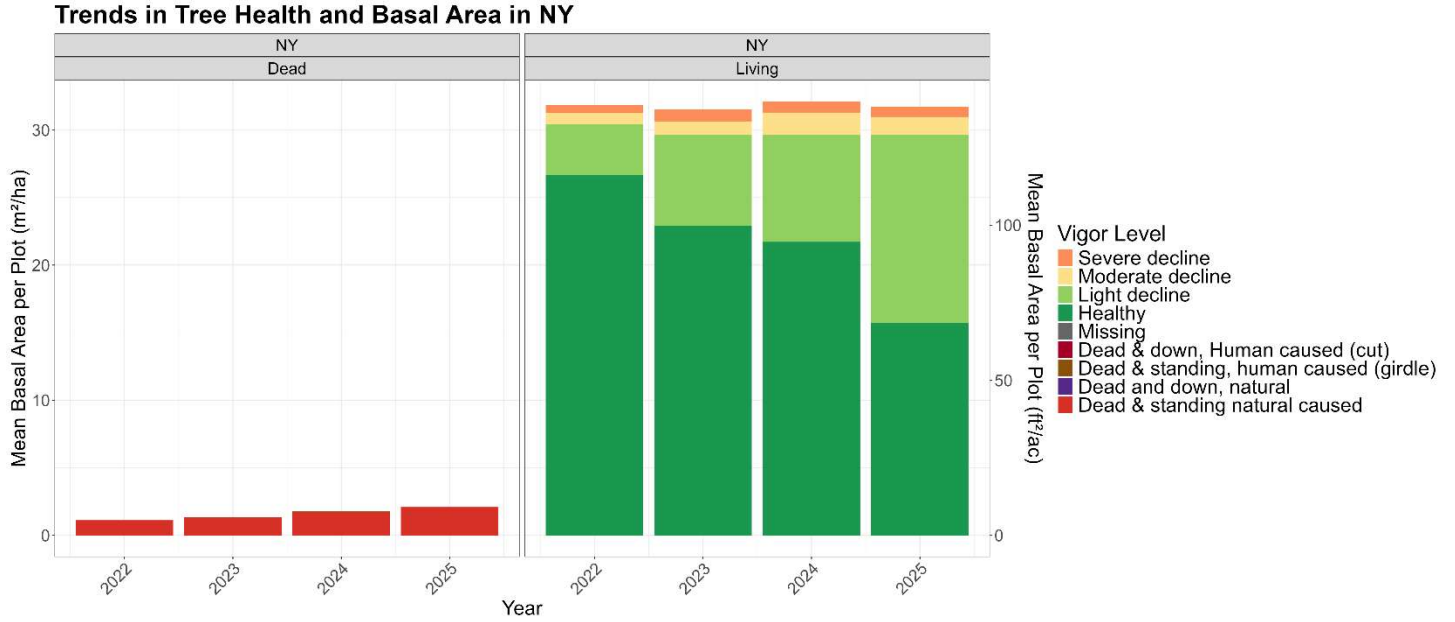


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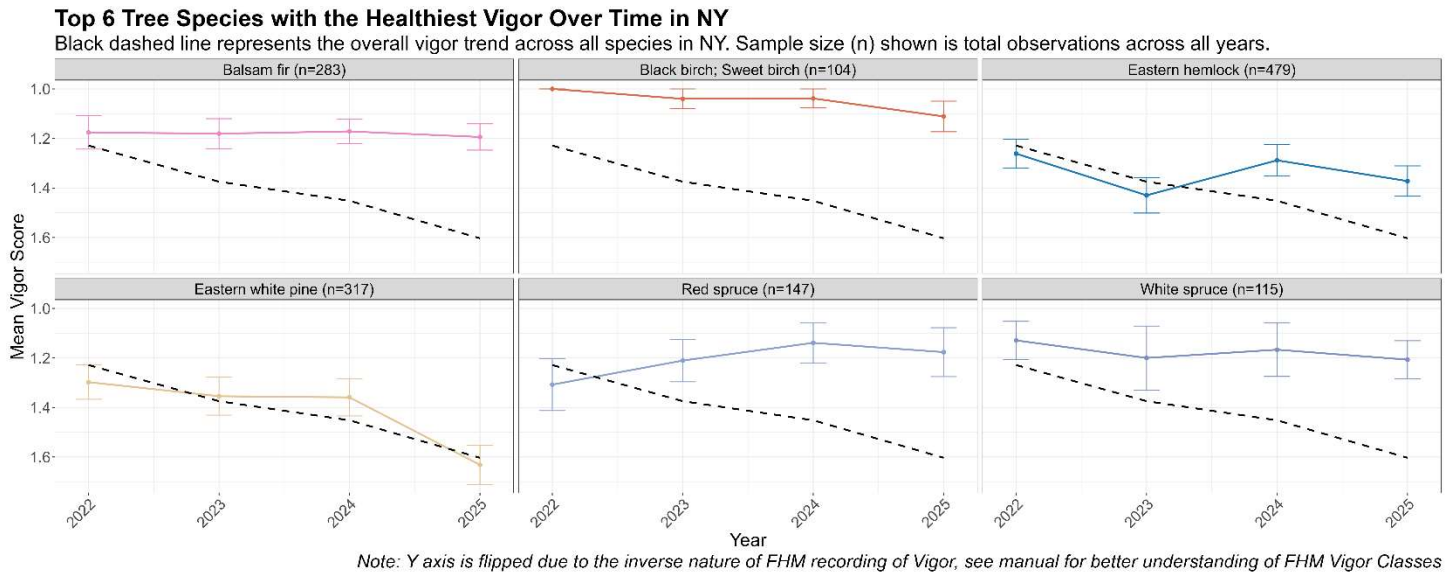


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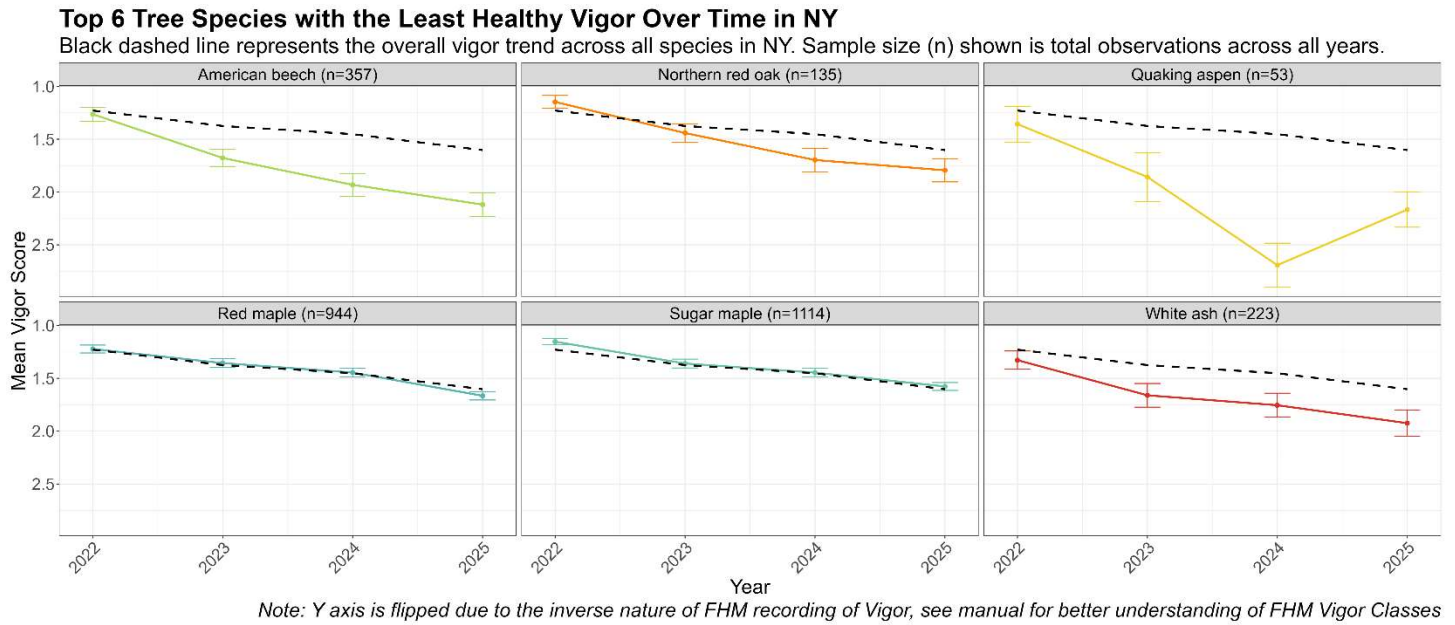


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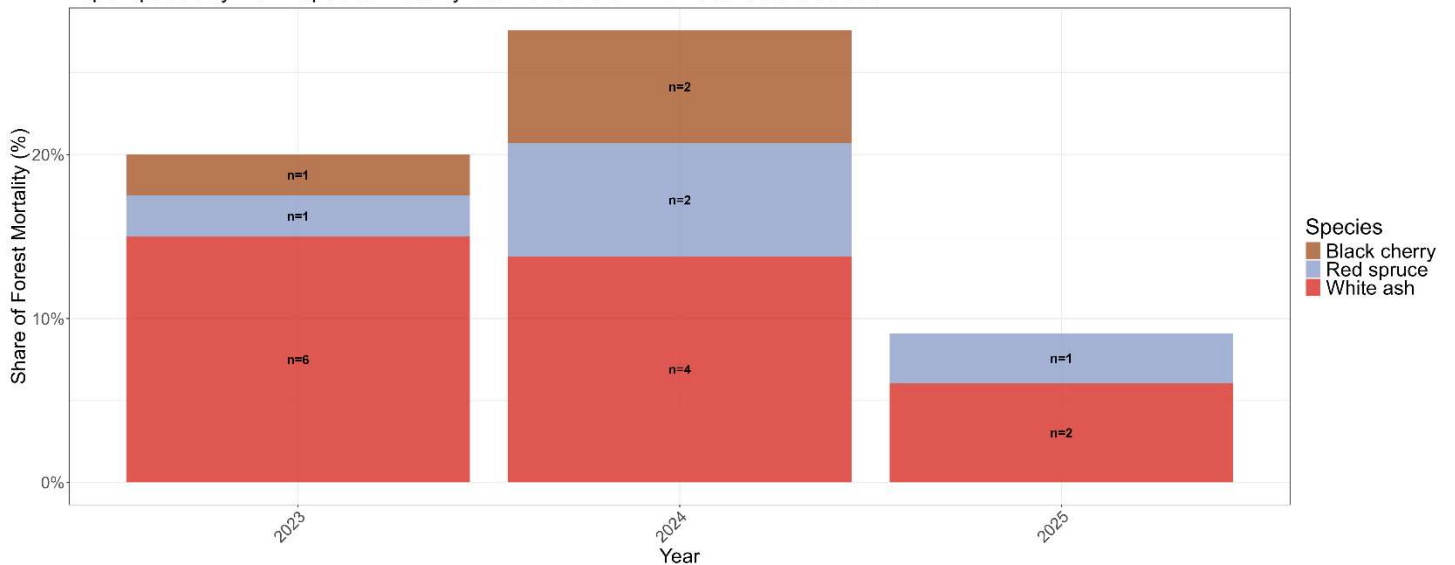


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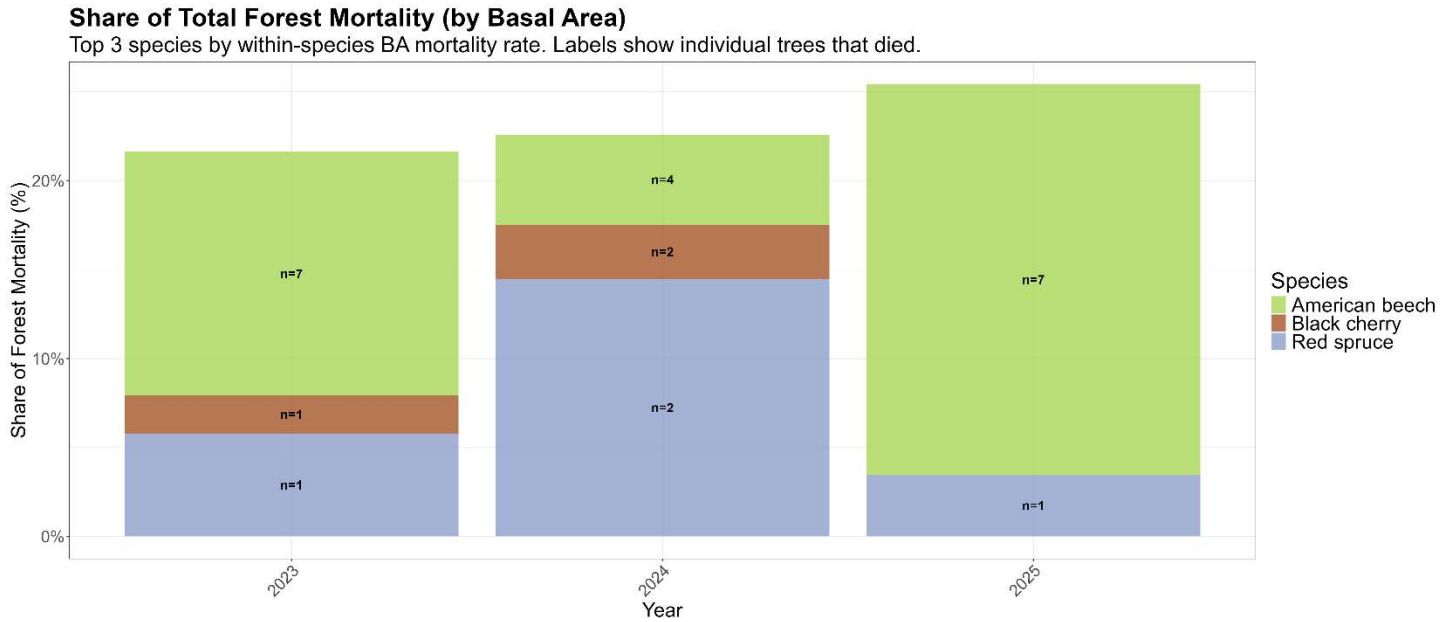


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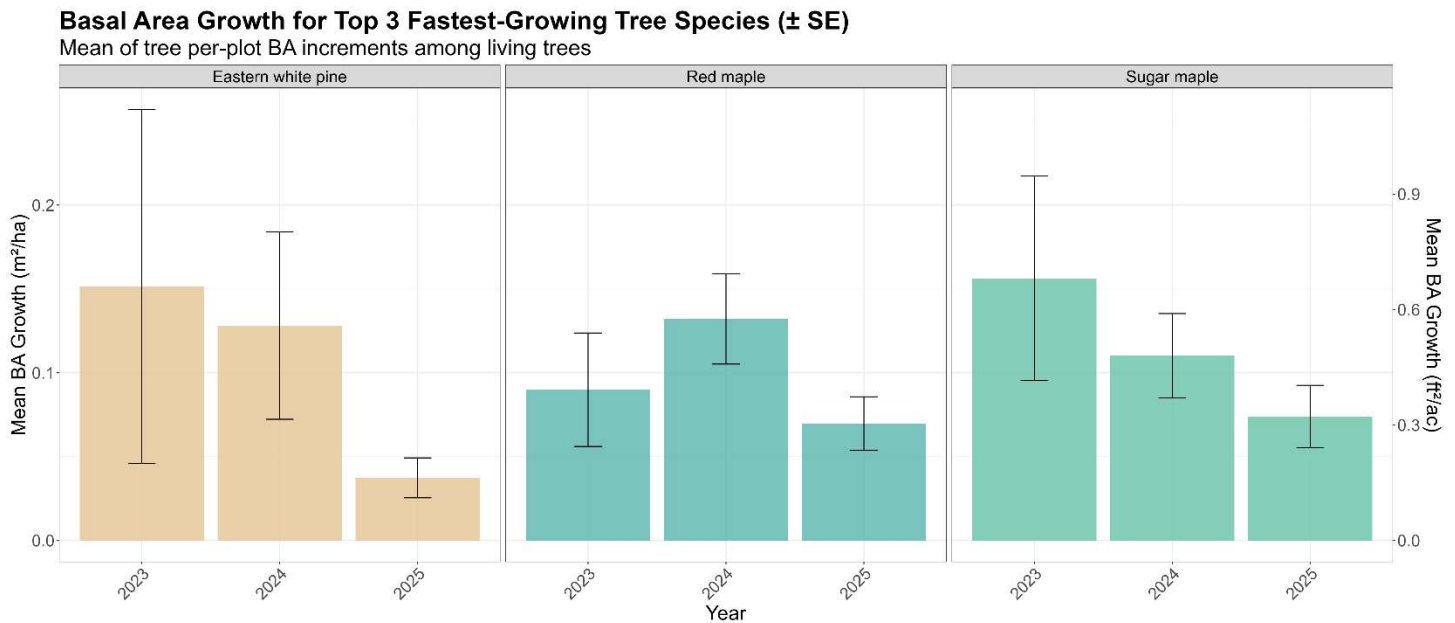


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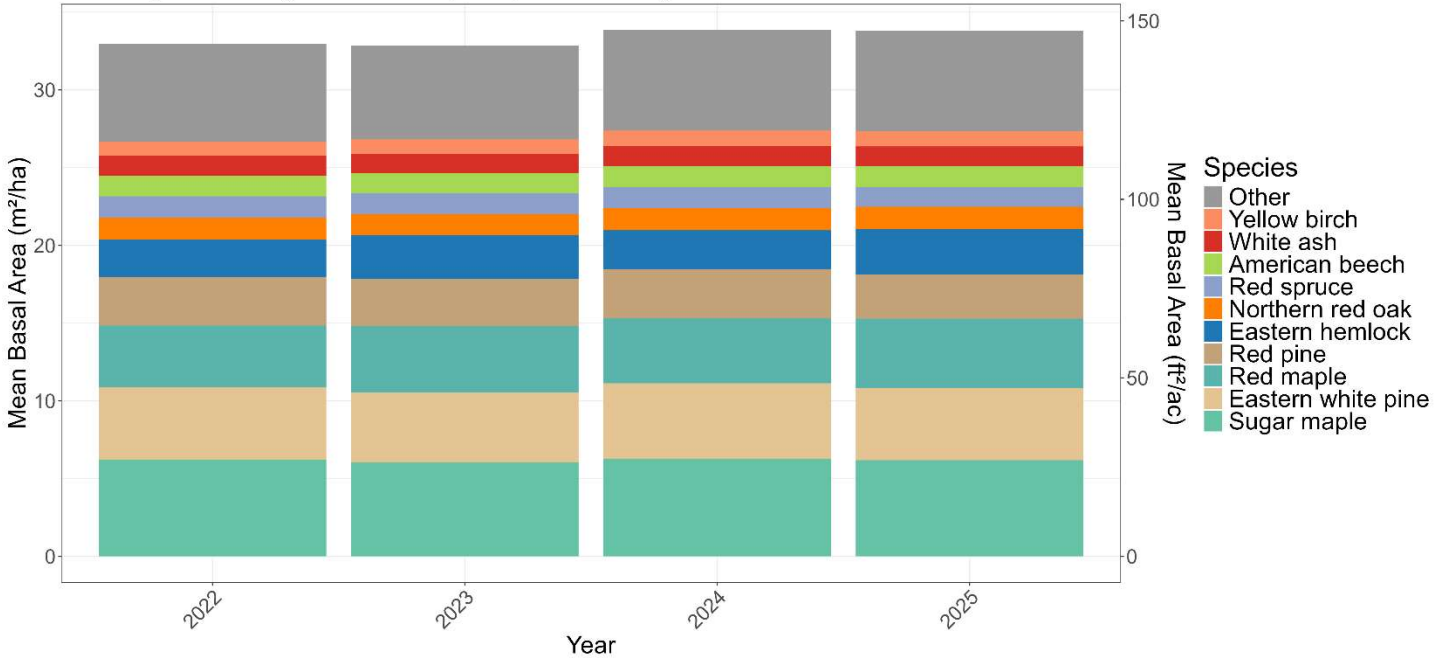


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Section 2. Sapling Analyses (New York)

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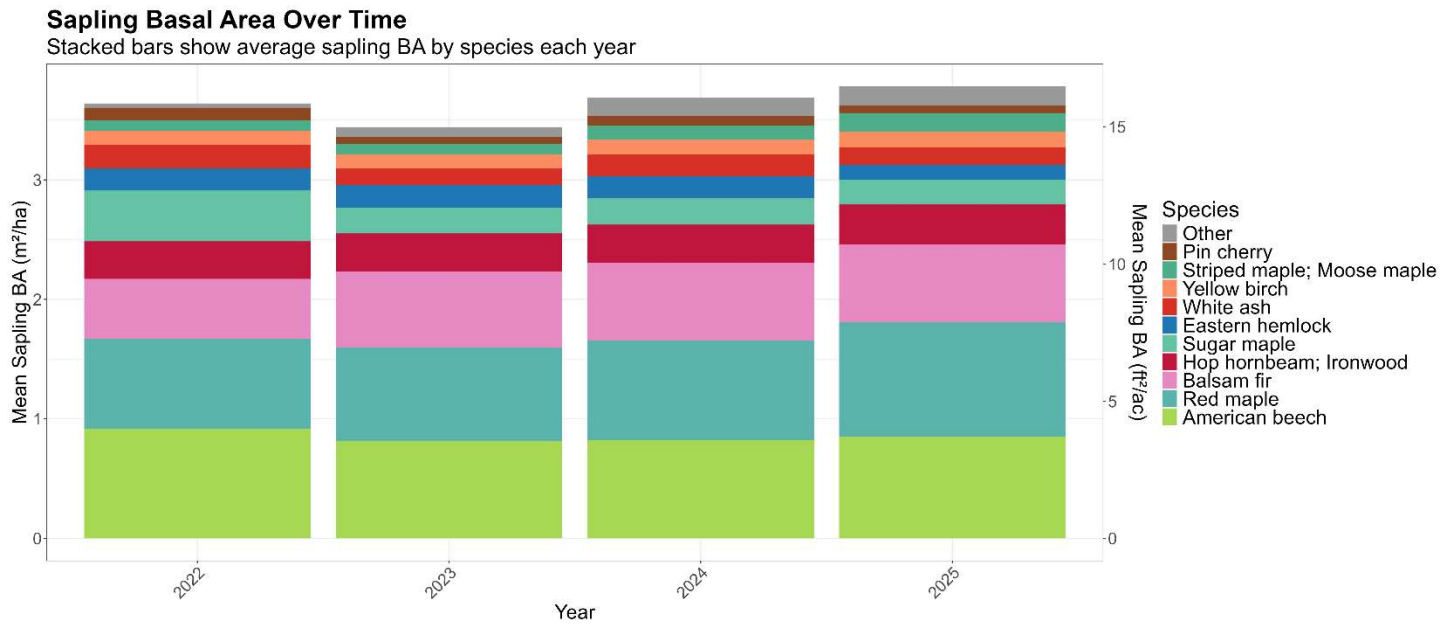


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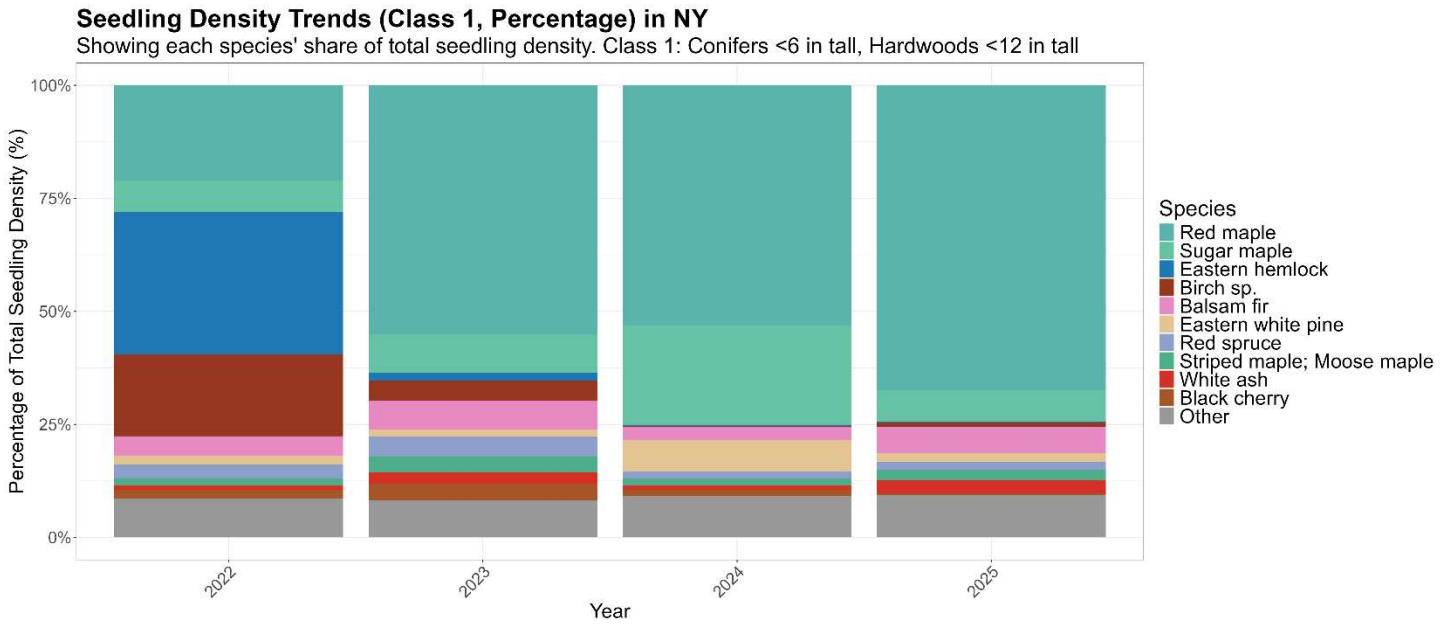


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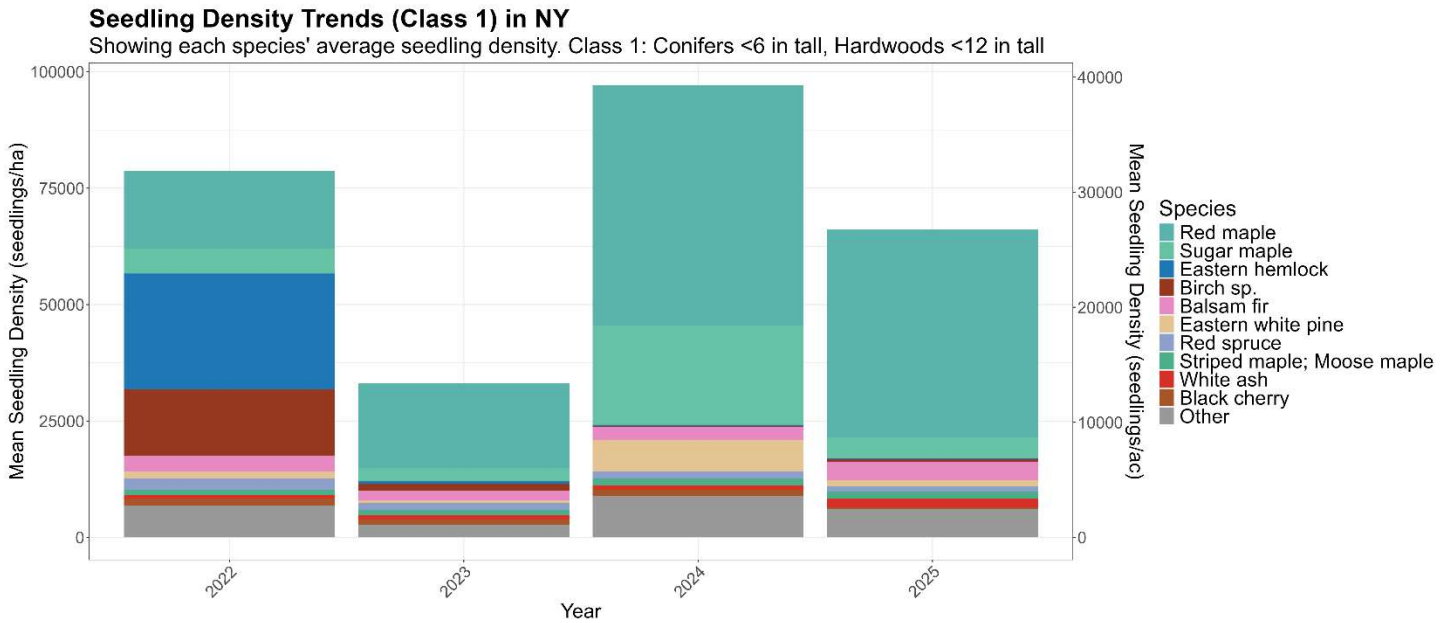


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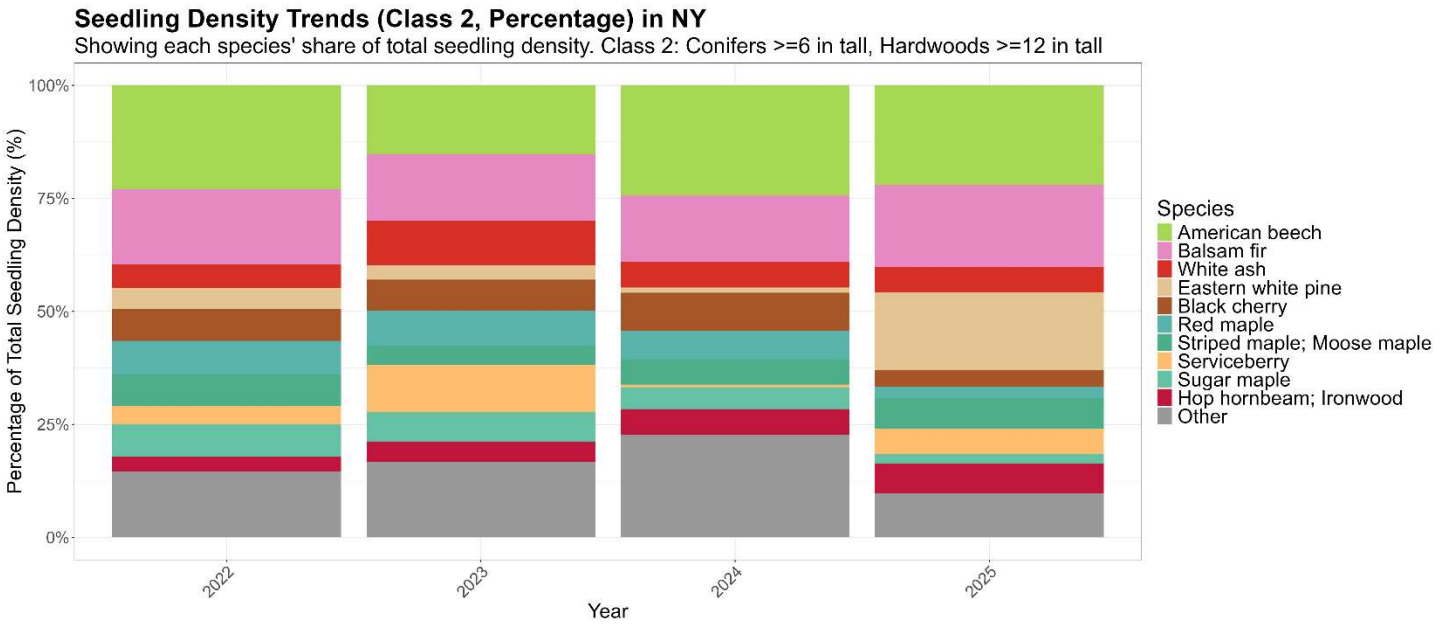


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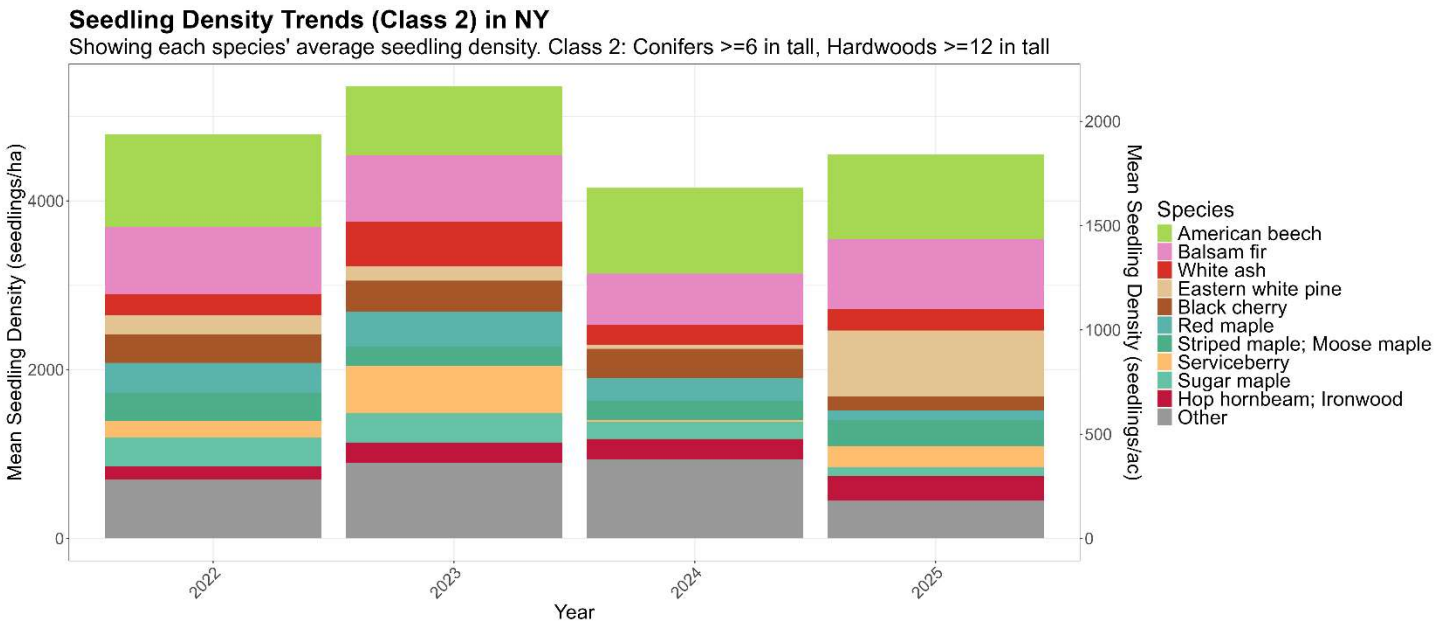


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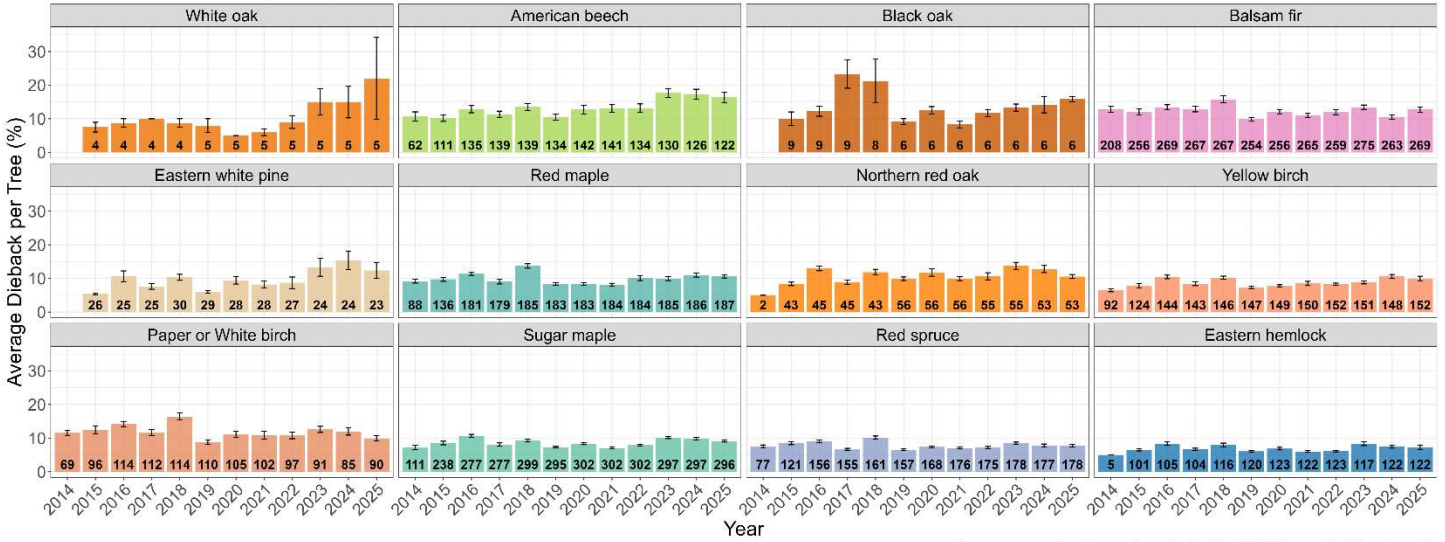
Vermont

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A. Dieback Trends (Vermont)

Dieback per Year in VT

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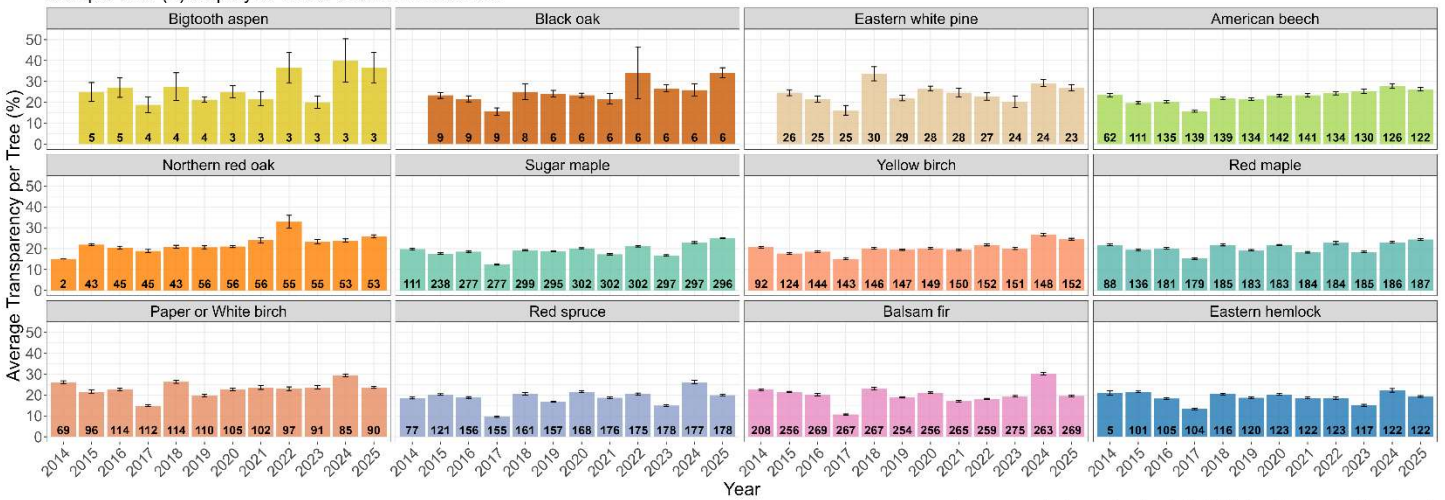
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Average Transparency per Year in VT

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C. Vigor Trends (Vermont)

Trends in Tree Health and Basal Area in VT

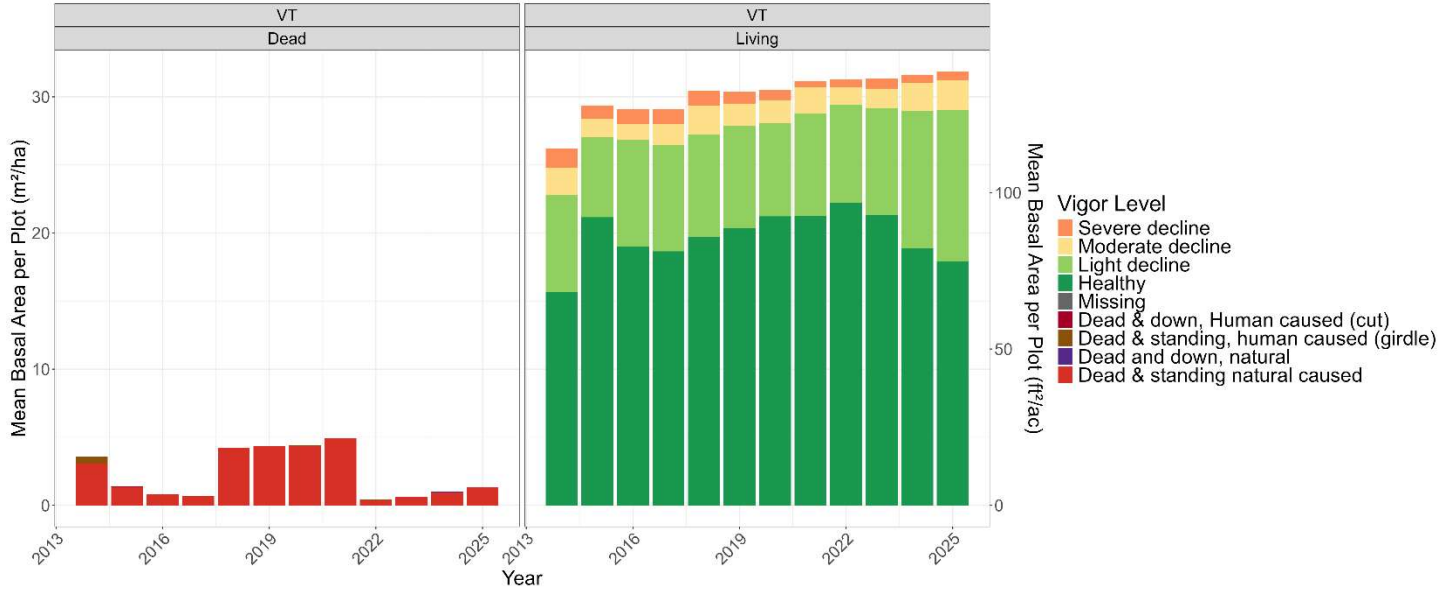
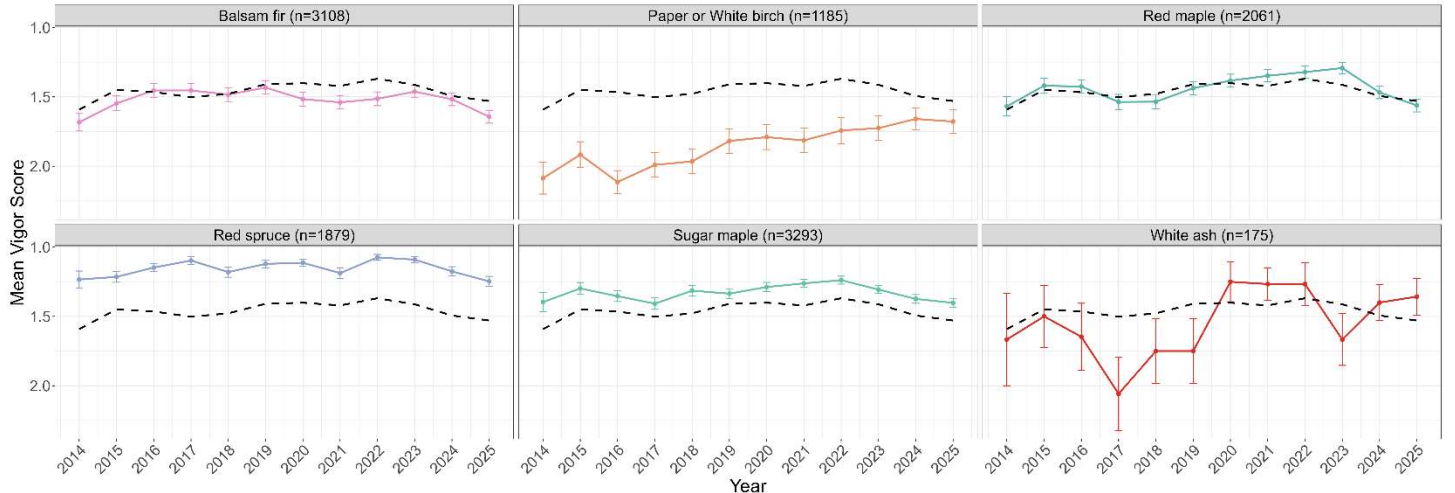


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Top 6 Tree Species with the Healthiest Vigor Over Time in VT

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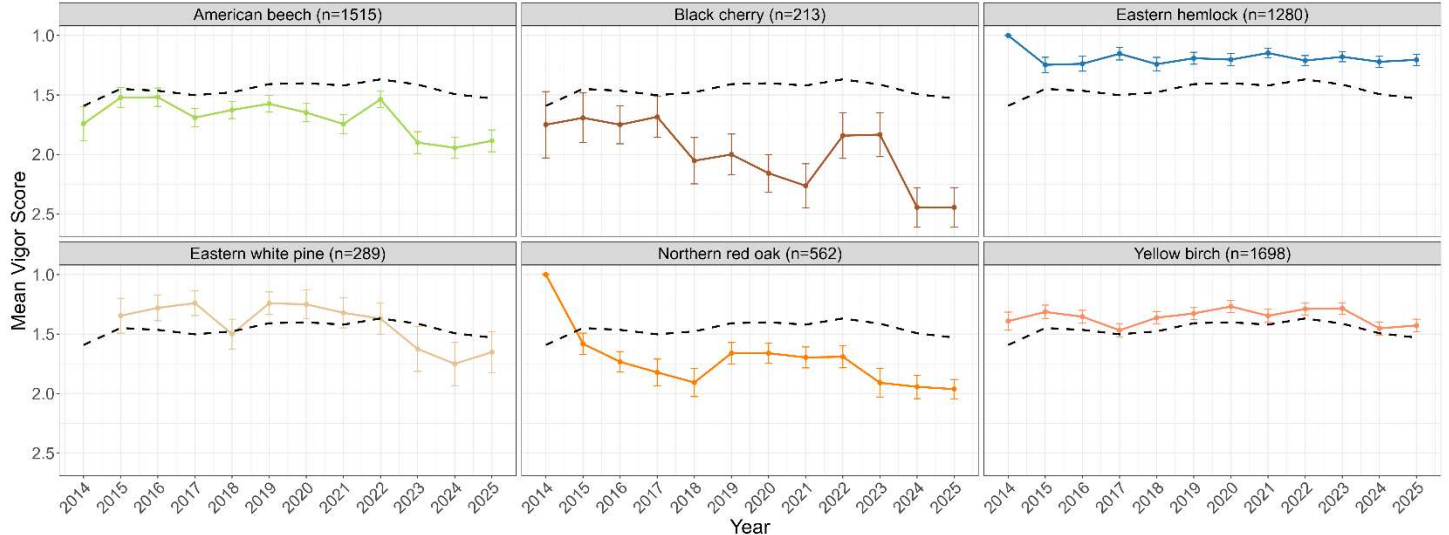
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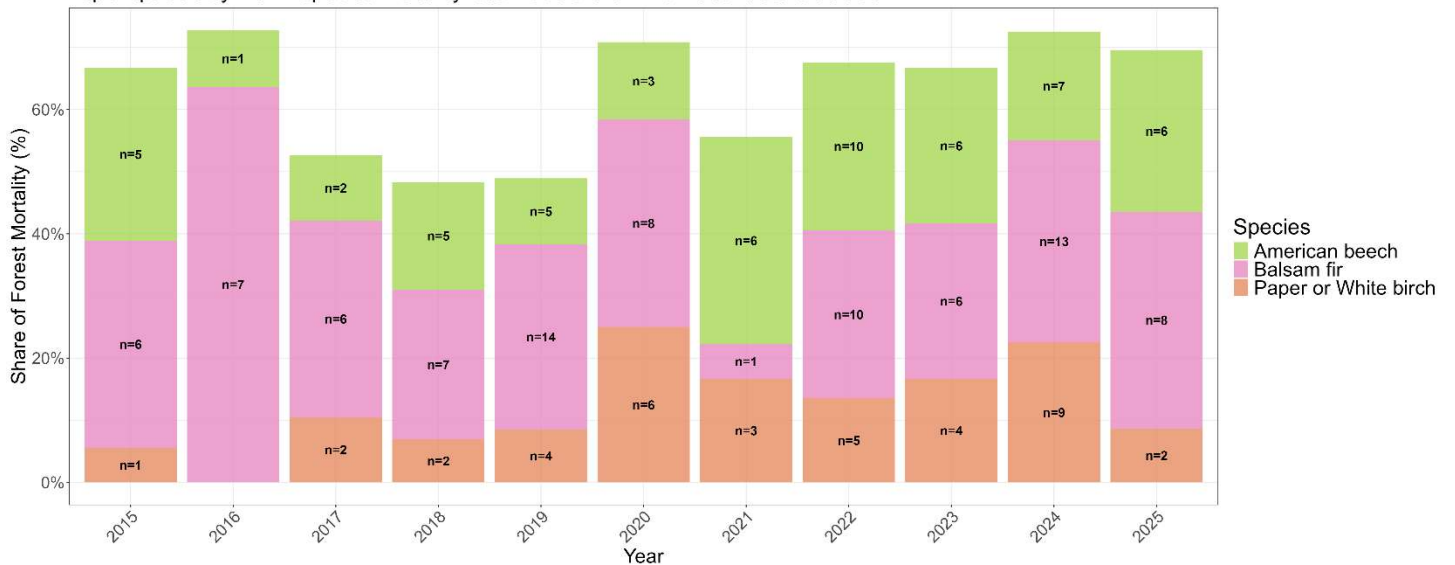


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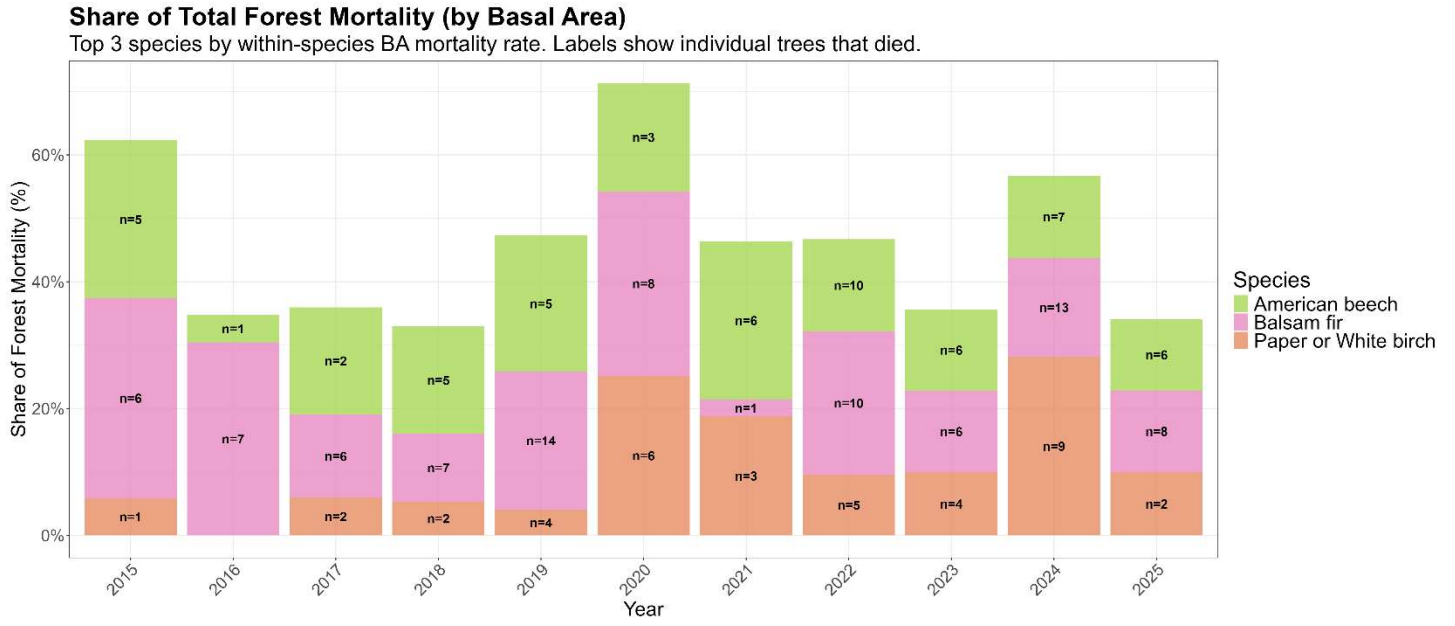


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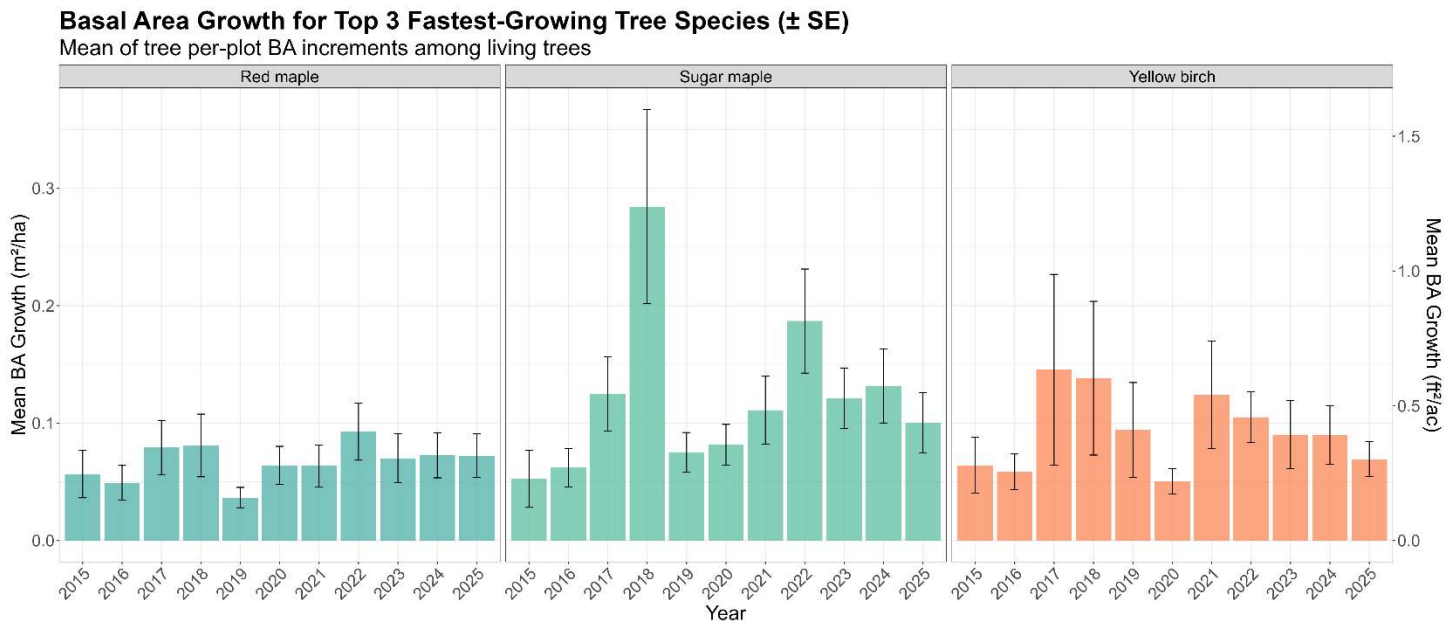
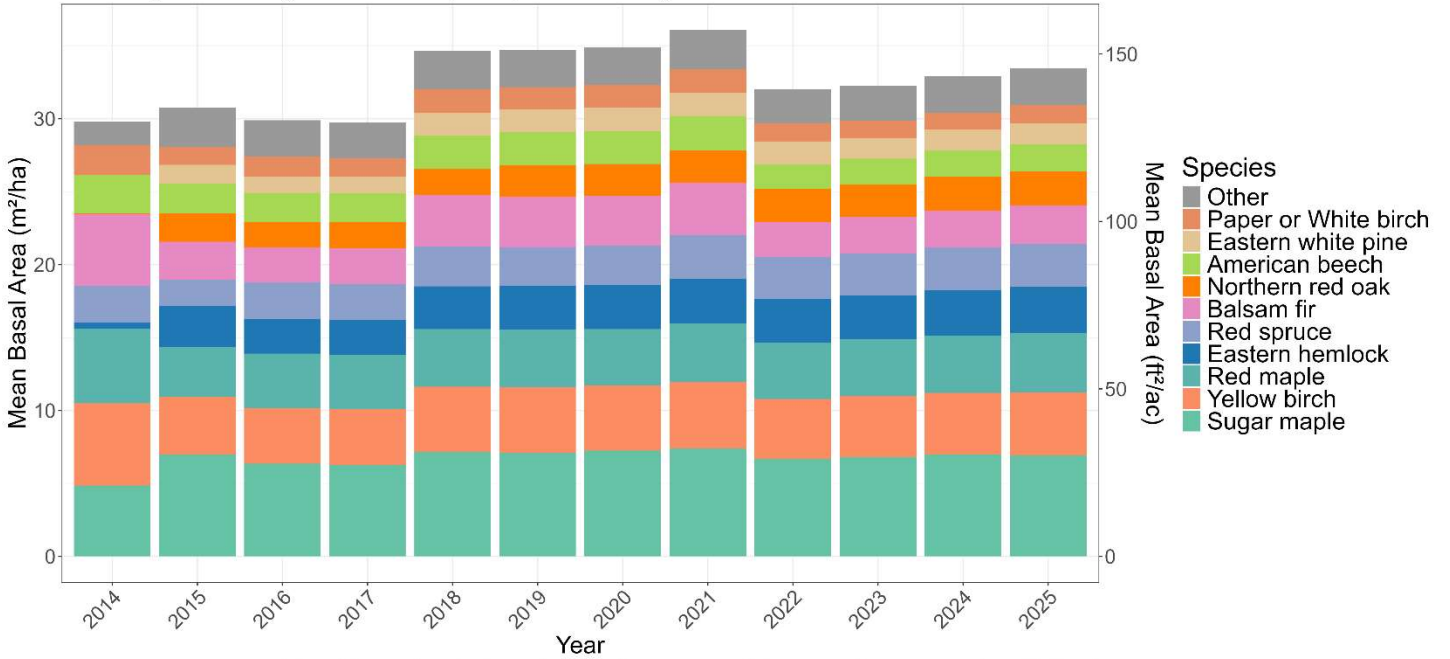


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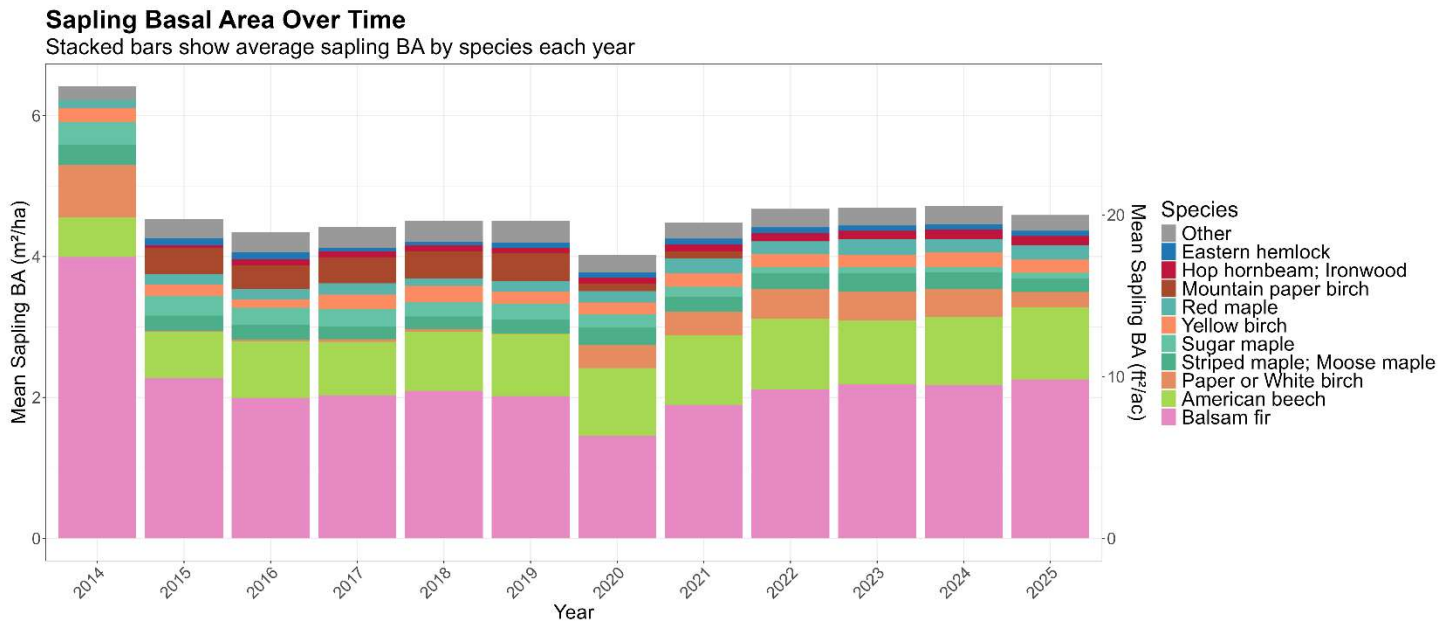


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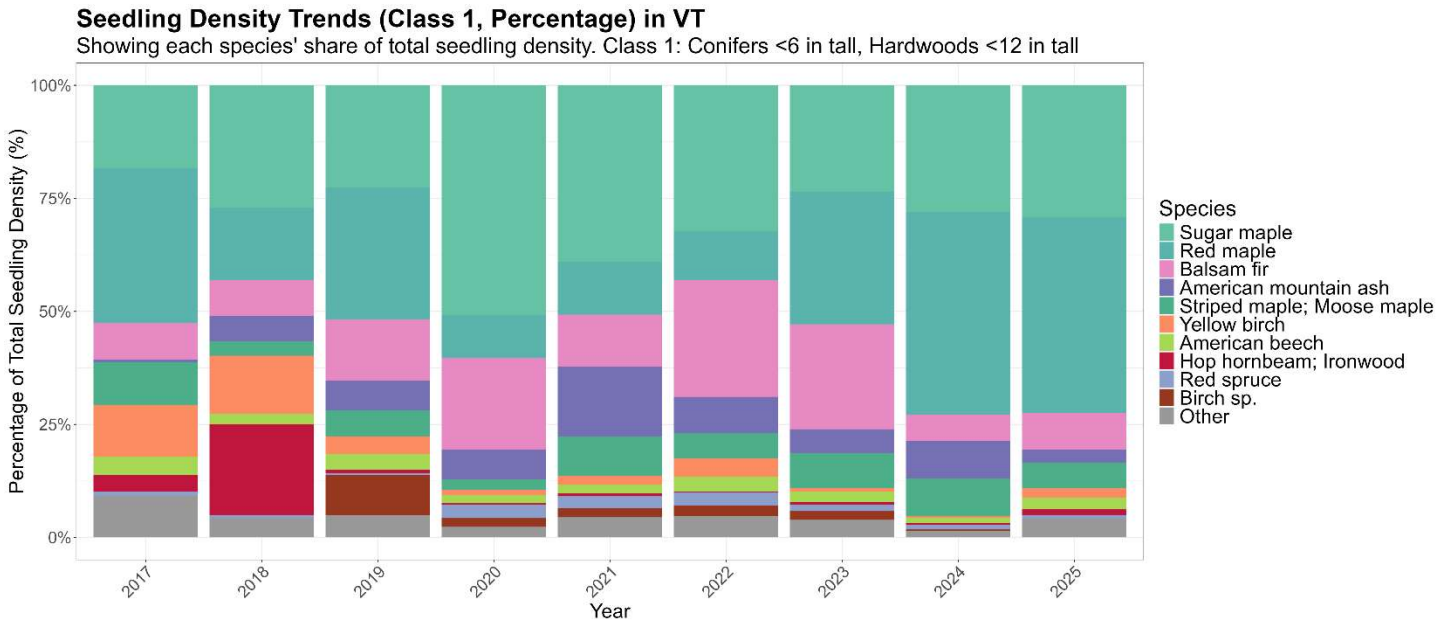


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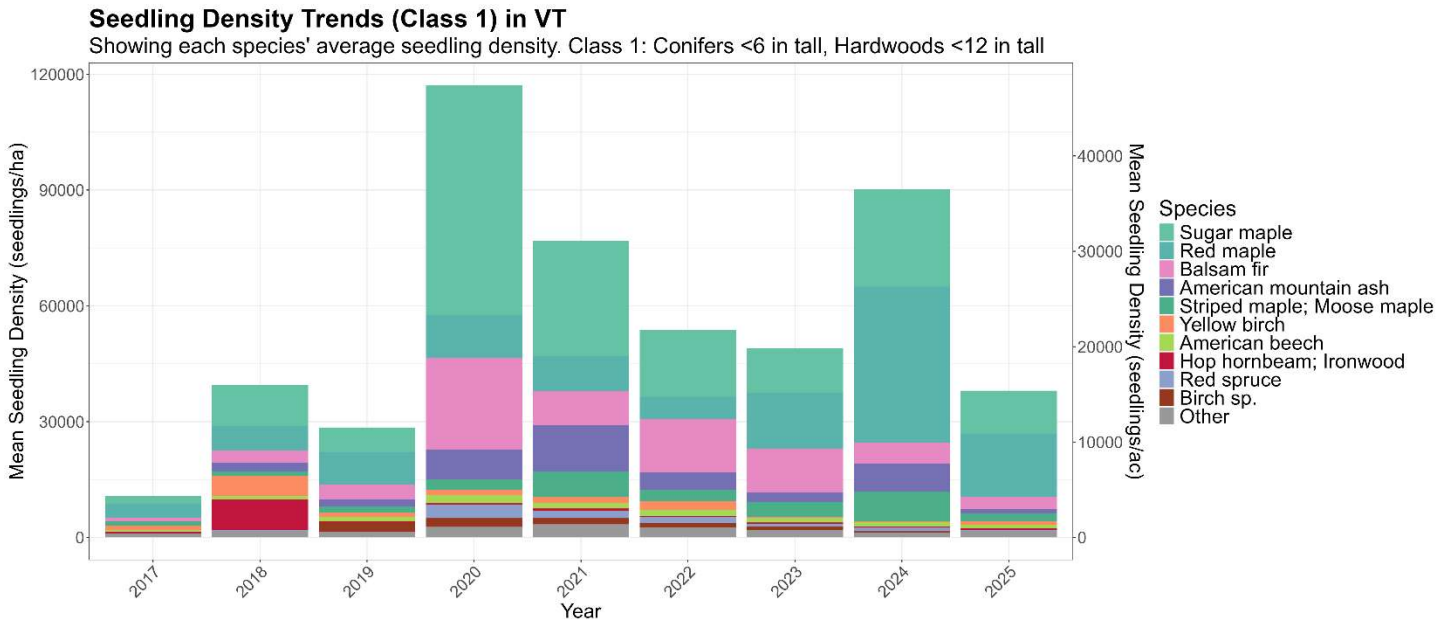


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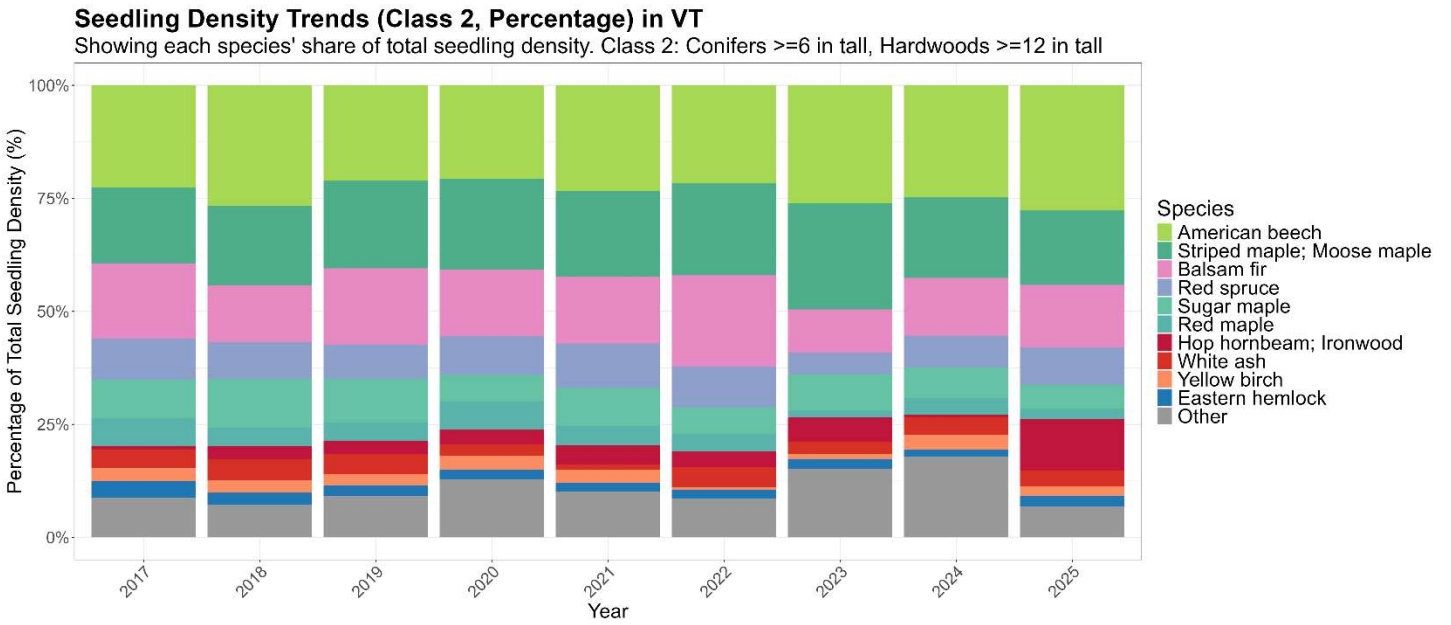


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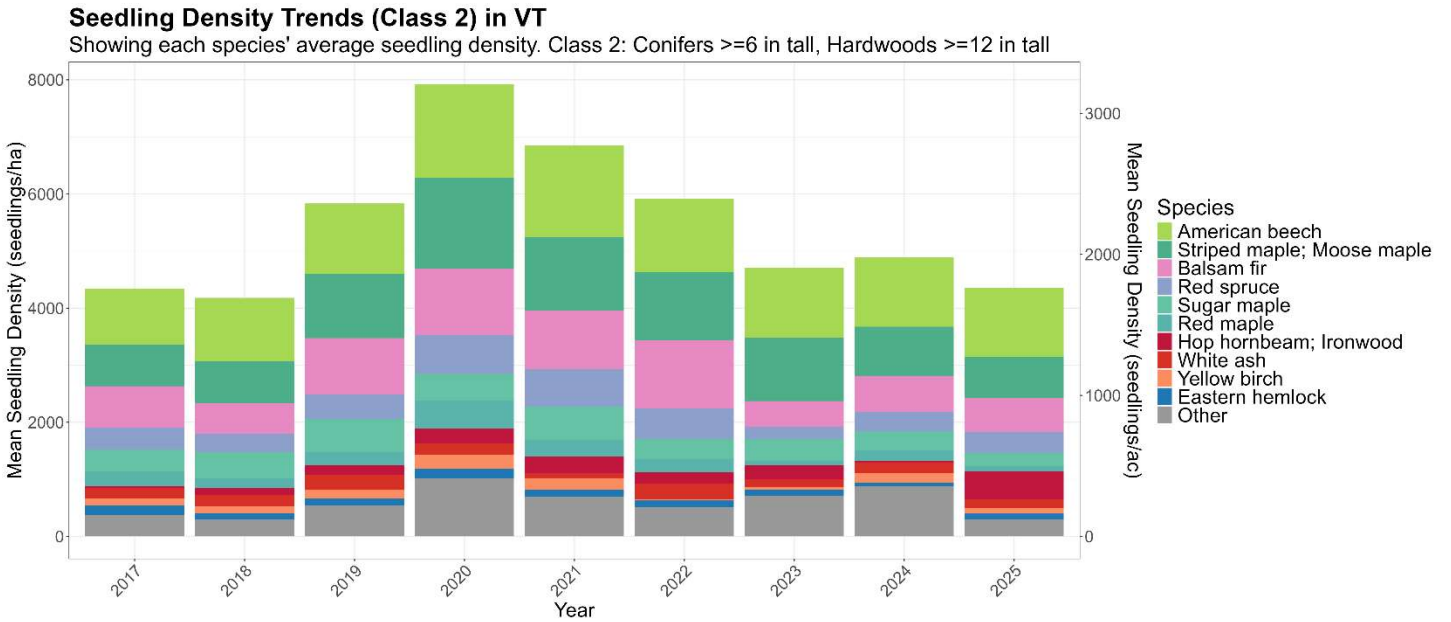


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