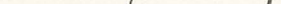


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notes on decline and release:

- * gradual changes in decline or release not recorded.
(may have a core with much decline and release, but too gradual to record)
- sudden, significant changes recorded
IF WIDTH OF RING $\leq \frac{1}{2}$ ADJACENT RING^{width} (decline)
OR IF WIDTH OF RING $\geq 2 \times$ ADJACENT RING WIDTH (release)
- single, significantly different rings recorded. ||||¹⁹⁷¹ ||||
- usually recorded for that year; and also next year. i.e. 1971 (single) - release
1972 - decline
- * FIRST YEAR OF CHANGE RECORDED ONLY (FOR EACH PERIOD)
- changes from decline to greater decline (or release to greater release) are noted, IF SIGNIFICANT JUMP.

eg. 

eg.  GRADUAL DECLINE
NOT RECORDED.

→ using DECLINE and RELEASE AS RELATIVE TERMS.

eg.

roughly same widths

RELEASE

DECL.

RELEASE

DECLINE

- Gypsy moth decline seems apparent only in 1981 in many cores; recovery beginning already in 1982.