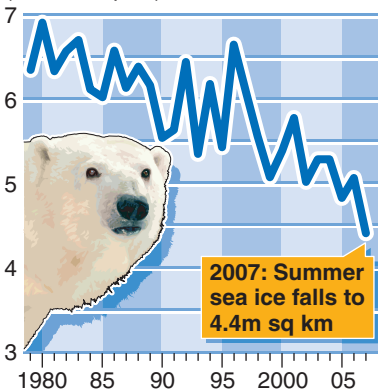


# Polar bears threat

Last summer saw record melting of Arctic sea ice, leading scientists to predict that the polar bear population – which currently stands at 16,000-20,000 – could decline by two-thirds by 2050

Minimum annual sea ice  
(millions sq km)



Source: USGS

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