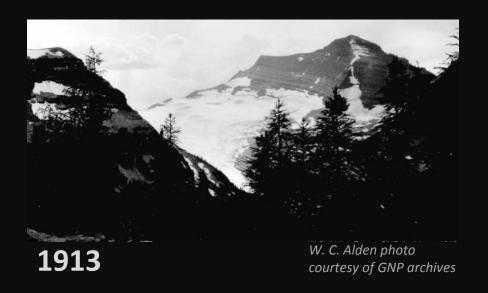
Agassiz Glacier Glacier National Park, MT





2005

Greg Pederson photo USGS





Agassiz Glacier



1943

M. V. Walker photo courtesy of GNP archives



2005

Greg Pederson photo USGS







Blackfoot – Jackson Glacier

Glacier National Park, MT



E. C. Stebinger photo courtesy of GNP archives

1914



Blase Reardon photo USGS



2001



Boulder Glacier



1932

T. J. Hileman photo courtesy of GNP archives



1988

Jerry DeSanto photo K. Ross Toole Archives Mansfield Library, UM





Boulder Glacier



1932T. J. Hileman photo courtesy of GNP archives



2005 Greg Pederson photo USGS





Boulder Glacier

Glacier National Park, MT



Morton Elrod photo courtesy of GNP archives

circa **1910**



Fagre / Pederson photo USGS







Chaney Glacier



1911

M.R. Campbell photo USGS Photographic Library



2005

Blase Reardon photo USGS





Chaney Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



1911

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2005

Blase Reardon photo USGS





Grant Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



Morton Elrod photo courtesy of GNP Archives



1998
Karen Holzer photo
USGS





Glacier National Park, MT



F. E. Matthes photo courtesy of GNP Archives



Lisa McKeon photo, USGS

In 1900 Grinnell Glacier's mass filled the cirque basin. This early photo shows the glacier's height along the headwall and how it was once joined the upper ice portion, now called The Salamander.







1910 Fred Kiser photo courtesy of GNP Archives



2008 Lisa McKeon photo, USGS





Grinnell Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



Stanton photo courtesy of GNP Archives



Lisa McKeon photo, USGS

Nearly a century after Stanton's photograph was taken, Grinnell Glacier has receded Into it's cirque basin and is no longer visible from the trail above Grinnell Lake.

2008





Glacier National Park, MT



Lieutenant Beacon courtesy of GNP Archives



Lisa McKeon photo, USGS

Among the earliest photos of Grinnell Glacier, this 1887 image shows the Immense extent and depth of the glacier at the turn of the 20th century.

The glacier has responded to temperature and precipitation in the past 100 years, resulting in it's obvious reduction in size.

2008





Glacier National Park, MT



circa 1920

T. J. Hileman photo courtesy of GNP Archives



2008

Lisa McKeon photo, USGS

In addition to the change in the size of Grinnell Glacier, there is obvious change in the foreground streamside vegetation between these two images.





Grinnell Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



1914

Marble photo courtesy GNP Archives



1938T. J. Hileman photo courtesy GNP Archives



2008

Lisa McKeon photo USGS

Grinnell Glacier from the shore of Lake Josephine







Glacier National Park, MT









T. J. Hileman photo 1938 Courtesy of GNP Archives

Carl Key photo 1981

1998

2006

Oblique view of Grinnell Glacier taken from the summit of Mount Gould, Glacier National Park. The relative sensitivity of glaciers to climate change is illustrated by the dramatic recession of Grinnell Glacier while surrounding vegetation patterns remain stable.







Glacier National Park, MT



circa 1940

Unknown photographer Courtesy of GNP Archives



2006

Karen Holzer photo USGS

Grinnell Glacier taken from the Grinnell Glacier Overlook off the Highline Trail, Glacier National Park. The view of Grinnell Glacier taken circa 1940 shows the early formation of Upper Grinnell Lake, a proglacial lake visible at the terminus of the glacier. The 2006 photo shows a dramatic increase in the size of the lake as a result of melting ice.





Grinnell Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



2008Chris Miller photo USGS

1920
Unknown photographer
Courtesy of NPS Historic
Photograph Collection
Harpers Ferry Center

The 1920 photo shows National Park Service Director, Steven Mather, on Piatt Path near present day Grinnell Glacier Overlook. Darren Pfeifle strikes a similar pose in the 2008 repeat photograph.





Glacier National Park, MT





2008

Lisa McKeon photo USGS

1922

Morton Elrod photo K. Ross Toole Archives Mansfield Library, UM

View from north moraine of Grinnell Glacier





Grinnell Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



Morton Elrod photo
K. Ross Toole Archives
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2008 Lisa McKeon photo USGS

North moraine of Grinnell Glacier

In 1924 the glacier's ice margin was still in proximity to it's lateral moraine





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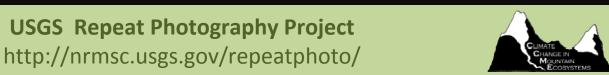
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2008 Lisa McKeon photo USGS

This large boulder was used by Morton Elrod and other scientists as a baseline to measure the retreat of Grinnell Glacier's terminus. It is now referred to as "Elrod's Rock," and the glacier's terminus is no longer visible from this point.





Grinnell Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



2008

Lisa McKeon photo USGS

Morton Elrod photo K. Ross Toole Archives Mansfield Library, UM

1924

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Grinnell Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



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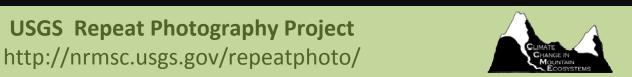


Chris Miller photo, USGS

This pair of photographs from Grinnell Glacier's southeast edge shows the dramatic change in the glacier's volume and area. Note the glacier's depth along the headwall and it's extent at the terminal moraine in the historic photograph.

2008





Piegan Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



circa 1930

George Ruhle photo courtesy of GNP Archives



1998
Lisa McKeon photo
USGS

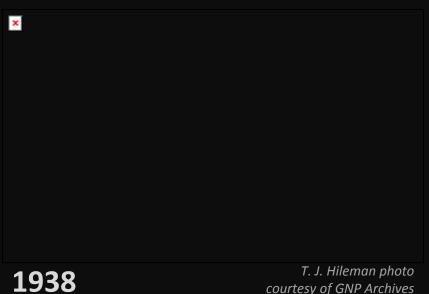
Piegan Glacier appears visibly unchanged in this pair, but the meadow in foreground has undergone significant vegetation change.







Piegan Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



T. J. Hileman photo courtesy of GNP Archives



Lisa McKeon photo 1998 USGS

View from Mount Siyeh

Piegan Glacier is one of the few glaciers in Glacier National Park that has not significantly changed since photographed in the 1930s.





Sexton Glacier



1901

Matthes photo courtesy of GNP Archives



1998

Lisa McKeon photo USGS







Shepard Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



1913

W. C. Alden photo USGS Photographic Library



2005

Blase Reardon photo USGS





Sperry Glacier

Glacier National Park, MT



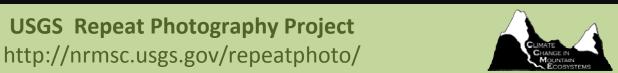
1913 W. C. Alden photo, courtesy GNP Archives



2008 Lisa McKeon photo, USGS

In 1913, Sperry Glacier's mass spanned across the entire basin and the glacier's terminus was recorded at over 150 ft. tall. Contemporary images show how the glacier has receded and separated into fragments.





Sperry Glacier

Glacier National Park, MT



circa 1930

Morton Elrod photo K. Ross Toole Archives Mansfield Library, UM



Lisa McKeon photo, USGS

Repeating Elrod's photograph from the same photo point was impossible since he shot from the elevated perspective of the glacier's surface. The terminus of the glacier has retreated beyond the field of view, but these images give a sense of the glacier's extent and mass early in the 20th century.





Sperry Glacier Glacier National Park, MT



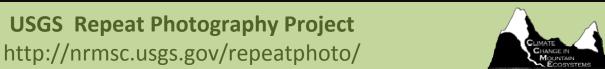
Morton Elrod photo courtesy of GNP Archives



2001 Lisa McKeon photo USGS

The northwest portion of Sperry Glacier once spanned Comeau Pass to the base of Edwards Mountain.







Sperry Glacier – northeast view Glacier National Park, MT



Alden photo, courtesy of GNP Archives Aug. 13, 1913



Lisa McKeon photo, USGS 2007

This view of the northeast portion of Sperry Glacier shows evidence of the glacier's recession as well as the advancement of conifer species and other vegetation on the glacial moraines.



1913



Sept. 15, 2007

Swiftcurrent Glacier



circa **1900**

Matthes photo courtesy of GNP Archives



1998

Karen Holzer photo USGS





Swiftcurrent Glacier

Glacier National Park, MT



circa **1930**

Unknown photographer courtesy of GNP Archives

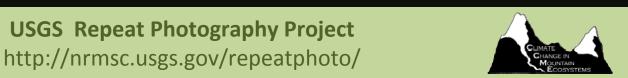


2002

Karen Holzer photo USGS

View from Swiftcurrent Lookout





Thunderbird Glacier

Glacier National Park, MT



Morton Elrod photo 1907 courtesy of GNP Archives



Dan Fagre / Greg Pederson photo 2007





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