

Figure 3) the location of the main habitats in the studied area edited by the authors (1:25000)

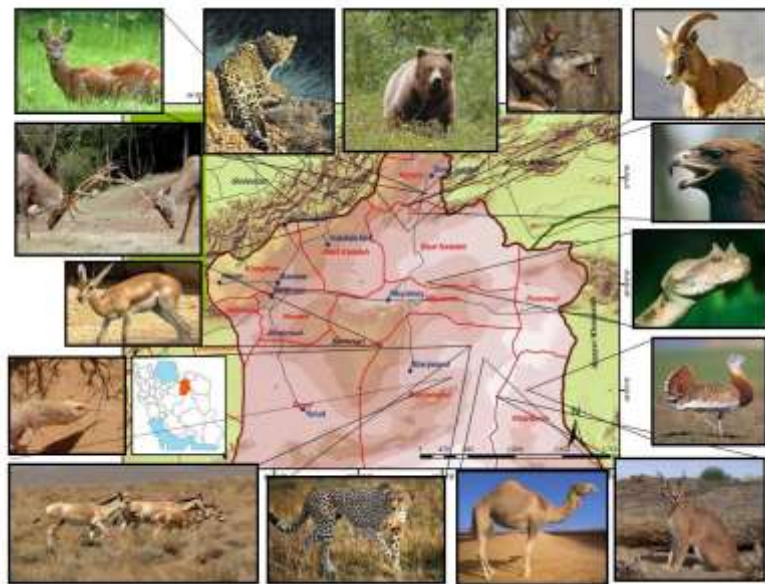


Figure 5) the schematic map of the animal species distribution in the studied area

Table 3) the list of the IUCN protected animal species

	The species scientific name	Persian name	The species situation in IUCN ranking
1	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	Asiatic cheetah	CE
2	<i>Ursus arctos</i>	Brown bear	LR/lc
3	<i>Martes martes</i>	European pine marten	LR/lc
4	<i>Martes foina</i>	Beech marten	LR/lc
5	<i>Meles meles</i>	Badger	LR/lc
6	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	Leopard	EN
7	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>	Red deer	LR/lc
8	<i>Ovis orientalis</i>	Urial rams and sheep	VU
9	<i>Gazella subgutturosa</i>	Gazelle	VU
10	<i>Equus hemionus</i>	Persian onager	VU
11	<i>Aquila heliaca</i>	Eastern imperial eagle	VU
12	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>	White-rumped vulture	CE
13	<i>Tetrax tetrax</i>	Bustard	NT
14	<i>Otis tarda</i>	Great bustard	VU
15	<i>Testudo graeca zarudnyi</i>	Great tortoise	VU
16	<i>Testudo horsfieldi</i>	Russian tortoise	VU
VU= Vulnerable, LR/nt= Lower Risk/ near threatened, CE=Critically Endangered			

Table 4) prioritizing the tourist attractions related to the wildlife from tourists' perspective in the development of tourism in the studied area

	Tourist attractions	Factor loading
1	Hunting and fishing	0.76
2	Sport	0.73
3	Entertainment	0.55
4	Education	0.36
5	Economic attractions	0.22

Table 5) micro-scale prioritizing wildlife attraction improving the tourism development from users' perspective

Wildlife attractions	Loading factor
Equestrian (horse riding, camel riding)	0.63
Fishing (competition, entertaining, catch and leave)	0.58
Archery	0.58
Shooting	0.75
Ram fight	0.54
Trapping	0.40
Photography and filming	0.50
Documentary	0.47
Scientific research on the habitats and species features	0.32
Animals watching	0.59
Animals feeding	0.48
Taking photos with animals and petting them	0.37
Painting animals	0.18
Business	0.18
Earning money from animals (their skin, wool, oil, and horn)	0.14

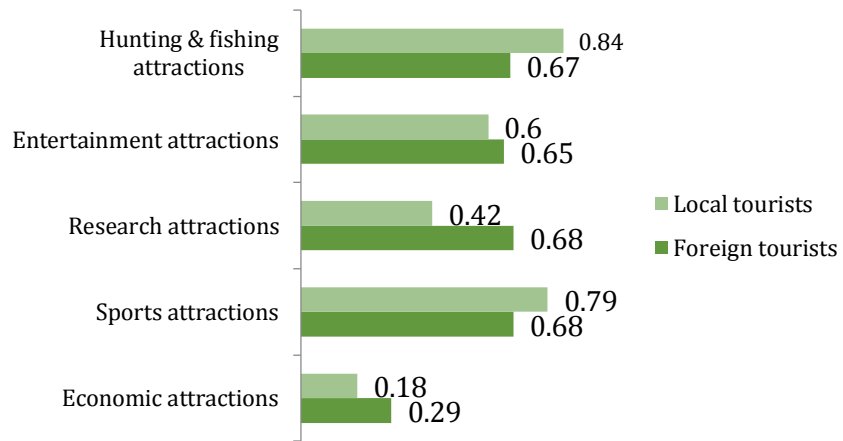


Figure 6) a comparison between the foreign and Iranian tourists' attitude toward the tourist attractions related to wildlife in the studied area

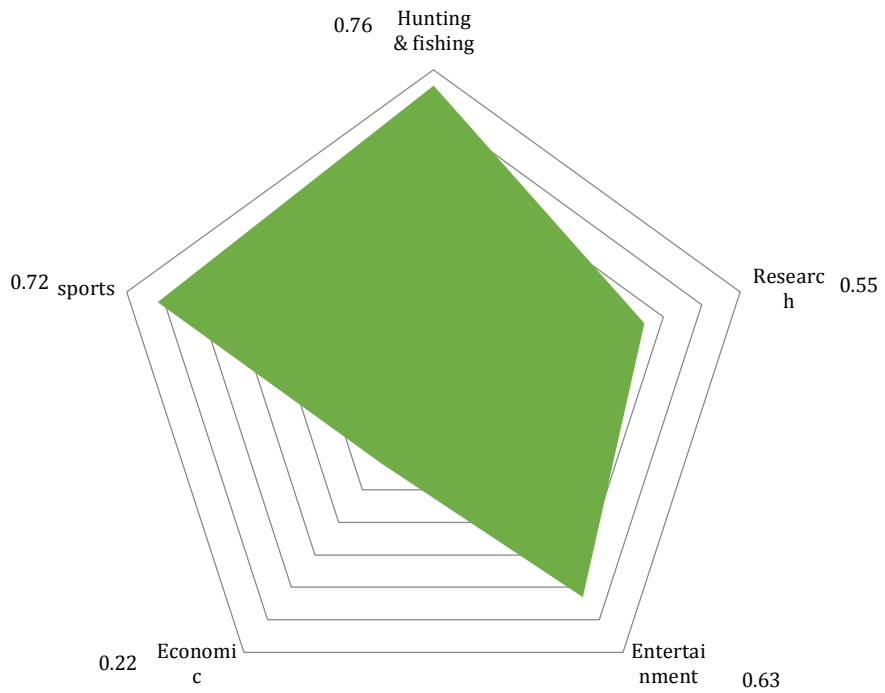


Figure 7) the proportion of each factor in tourists' attraction in the studied area

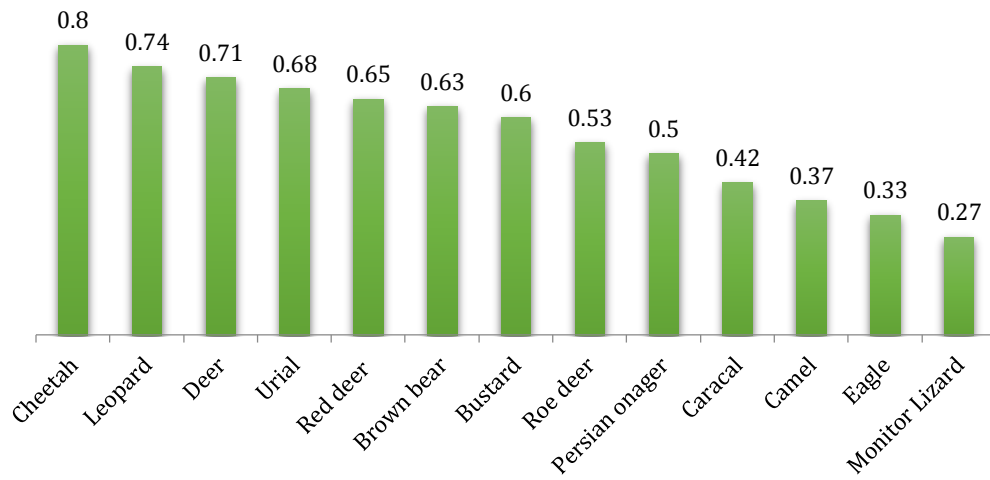


Figure 8) animals watching attraction from visitors' perspective in the studied area

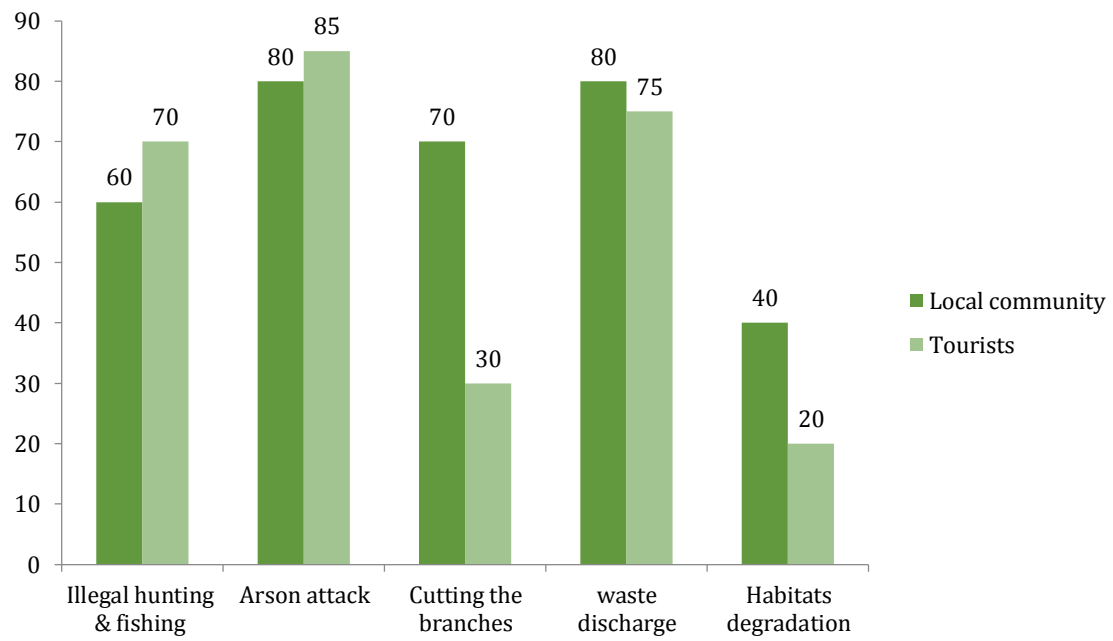


Figure 9) a comparison of the score of the local community and tourists' awareness of the legal consequence of environmental crimes