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# Endangered Species Program



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## Species Information

Before a plant or animal species can receive protection under the [Endangered Species Act](#), it must first be placed on the Federal list of endangered and threatened wildlife and plants. [Our listing program](#) follows a [strict legal process \[12/2005\]](#) [PDF] to determine whether to list a species, depending on the degree of threat it faces. An “endangered” species is one that is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range. A “threatened” species is one that is likely to become endangered in the foreseeable future. The Service also maintains a list of plant and animals native to the United States that are [candidates](#) or [proposed](#) for possible addition to the Federal list. All of the Service’s actions, from proposals to listings to [removals \(“delisting”\) \[2/2004\]](#) [PDF], are announced through the [Federal Register](#).

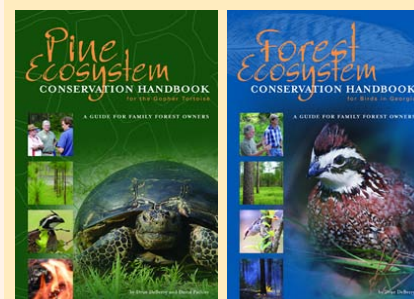
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**Get the regulatory profile for a listed species using its common or scientific name:**

For more information on a particular species, you may want to check out our [Species in the Spotlight](#) page. This page focuses on those species most often in the news.

## How many and which species...

- [are listed in the U.S. as threatened or endangered?](#)
- [are listed in each State?](#)
- [are listed in other countries?](#)
- [are listed and are under the primary responsibility of the NOAA Fisheries \(NMFS\)?](#)
- [were the first species to be listed?](#)
- [are proposed for listing?](#)
- [are candidates for listing?](#)
- [are proposed species under the primary responsibility of the NOAA Fisheries \(NMFS\)?](#)
- [have critical habitat designated?](#)
- [have experimental populations of reintroduced individuals?](#)
- [have special rules under section 4\(d\) to customize the protections of the ESA?](#)
- [have special rules?](#)
- [have been removed from the List \(delisted\) and why?](#)
- [have been reclassified \(change in status\)?](#)
- [are proposed for a status change or delisting?](#) (this report includes proposals for new experimental populations, similarity of appearance protection, reclassification to endangered, and reclassification to threatened)



[Pine Ecosystem Conservation Handbook for the Gopher Tortoise](#)

[Forest Ecosystem Conservation Handbook for Birds in Georgia](#)

## Maps by U.S. State/Territory

- [Number of Listed Species in each State or U.S. Territory](#) (map)
- [Number of Proposed Species in each State or U.S. Territory](#) (map)
- [Number of Candidate Species in each State or U.S. Territory](#) (map)

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## The number of species listed as threatened or endangered

A current report of all listed animals and plants from [TESS \(our Threatened and Endangered Species Database System\)](#)
















Note: Due to the large number of fields and records, these reports may take several minutes to generate.

[List of all endangered or threatened animals \(updated daily\)](#)

[List of all endangered or threatened plants \(updated daily\)](#)

- [Listed animals](#) and [listed plants](#) as published in the *Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants 50 CFR 17.11 and 17.12, November 2005* (PDF)
- [Our summary of the number of listed species, updated daily \(boxscore\)](#)
- [General statistics for endangered species](#)

## These species are listed in the U.S.

<a href="#">Vertebrate Animals</a>	<a href="#">Invertebrate Animals</a>	<a href="#">Non-Flowering Plants</a>	<a href="#">Flowering Plants</a>
 <a href="#">Mammals</a>	 <a href="#">Clams</a>	 <a href="#">Conifers &amp; Cycads</a>	 <a href="#">Flowering Plants</a>
 <a href="#">Birds</a>	 <a href="#">Snails</a>	 <a href="#">Ferns &amp; Fern Allies</a>	
 <a href="#">Reptiles</a>	 <a href="#">Insects</a>	 <a href="#">Lichens</a>	
 <a href="#">Amphibians</a>	 <a href="#">Arachnids</a>		
 <a href="#">Fishes</a>	 <a href="#">Crustaceans</a>		
	 <a href="#">Corals</a>		

For a list of all available reports, please see [TESS \(our Threatened](#)

**and Endangered Species Database System).**

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