

Table 1b: Numbers of threatened species by major groups of organisms (1996–2019)

Changes in number of threatened species from year to year **should not** be directly interpreted as trends in the status of biodiversity. The figures displayed below reflect increased assessment efforts by IUCN and its Partners over time, rather than genuine changes in numbers of threatened species. For a clearer view of genuine trends in the status of biodiversity please refer to the IUCN Red List Index page on the Red List website (<https://www.iucnredlist.org/assessment/red-list-index>).

Year ²	Number of threatened species ¹ on The IUCN Red List																										
	VERTEBRATES						INVERTEBRATES								PLANTS ⁴						FUNGI & PROTISTS				TOTAL		
	Mammals	Birds	Reptiles	Amphibians	Fishes	Subtotal (Vertebrates)	Insects	Molluscs	Crustaceans	Corals	Arachnids	Velvet worms	Horseshoe crabs	Other invertebrates	Subtotal (Invertebrates)	Mosses	Ferns & allies	Gymnosperms	Flowering plants	Green algae	Red algae	Subtotal (Plants)	Lichens	Mushrooms		Brown algae	Subtotal (Fungi & protists)
2019 (version 2019-1)	1,223	1,492	1,311	2,123	2,341	8,490	1,559	2,231	733	237	182	9	2	146	5,099	76	250	401	12,758	0	9	13,494	20	50		6	76
2018 (version 2018-2)	1,219	1,492	1,307	2,092	2,332	8,442	1,537	2,195	733	237	182	9	1	146	5,040	76	249	401	12,564	0	9	13,299	20	33	6	59	26,840
2017 (version 2017-3)	1,204	1,469	1,215	2,100	2,386	8,374	1,414	2,187	732	237	170	9	1	143	4,893	76	246	401	11,773	0	9	12,505	10	33	6	49	25,821
2016 (version 2016-3)	1,194	1,460	1,079	2,068	2,359	8,160	1,268	1,984	732	237	166	9	1	73	4,470	76	217	400	10,941	0	9	11,643	7	21	6	34	24,307
2015 (version 2015-4)	1,197	1,375	944	1,994	2,271	7,781	1,046	1,950	728	237	164	9	0	67	4,201	76	197	400	10,551	0	9	11,233	7	22	6	35	23,250
2014 (version 2014-3)	1,199	1,373	927	1,957	2,222	7,678	993	1,950	725	235	163	9	0	65	4,140	76	194	400	9,905	0	9	10,584	4	1	6	11	22,413
2013 (version 2013-2)	1,143	1,308	879	1,950	2,110	7,390	896	1,898	723	235	21	9	0	40	3,822	76	187	399	9,394	0	9	10,065	20	50	6	76	21,353
2012 (version 2012-2)	1,139	1,313	807	1,933	2,058	7,250	829	1,857	596	236	20	9	0	23	3,570	76	167	374	8,764	0	9	9,390	2	1	6	9	20,219
2011 (version 2011-2)	1,138	1,253	772	1,917	2,028	7,108	741	1,673	596	235	19	9	0	24	3,297	80	163	377	8,527	0	9	9,156	2	1	6	9	19,570
2010 (version 2010-4)	1,131	1,240	594	1,898	1,851	6,714	733	1,288	596	235	19	9	0	24	2,904	80	148	371	8,116	0	9	8,724	2	1	6	9	18,351
2009 (version 2009-2)	1,142	1,223	469	1,895	1,414	6,143	711	1,036	606	235	18	9	0	24	2,639	82	139	322	7,948	0	9	8,500	2	1	6	9	17,291
2008	1,141	1,222	423	1,905	1,275	5,966	626	978	606	235	18	9	0	24	2,496	82	139	323	7,904	0	9	8,457	2	1	6	9	16,928
2007	1,094	1,217	422	1,808	1,201	5,742	623	978	460	4	11	9	0	24	2,109	80	139	321	7,899	0	9	8,448	2	1	6	9	16,308
2006	1,093	1,206	341	1,811	1,171	5,622	623	975	459	1	11	9	0	24	2,102	80	139	306	7,865	0	0	8,390	2	1	0	3	16,117
2004	1,101	1,213	304	1,770	800	5,188	559	974	429	1	11	9	0	9	1,992	80	140	305	7,796	0	0	8,321	2	0	0	2	15,503
2003	1,130	1,194	293	157	750	3,524	553	967	409	1	11	9	0	9	1,959	80	111	304	6,279	0	0	6,774	2	0	0	2	12,259
2002	1,137	1,192	293	157	742	3,521	557	939	409	1	11	6	0	9	1,932	80	0	142	5,492	0	0	5,714	0	0	0	0	11,167
2000	1,130	1,183	296	146	752	3,507	555	938	408	1	11	6	0	9	1,928	80	0	141	5,390	0	0	5,611	0	0	0	0	11,046
1996/1998³	1,096	1,107	253	124	734	3,314	537	920	407	1	11	6	0	9	1,891	0	0	142	5,186	0	0	5,328	0	0	0	0	10,533

NOTES:

1. Threatened species are those listed as Critically Endangered (CR), Endangered (EN) or Vulnerable (VU).

2. Prior to the year 2000, The IUCN Red List was published in book form only, with updated versions being released every few years. The IUCN Red List web site was released in 2000, making more regular updates possible. Since then, the Red List has been updated at least once each year, with the exception of 2001 and 2005 when there were no updates published. Since 2009, The IUCN Red List has been updated at least twice each year, with separate version numbers being used for each update; the figures in Table 1b are for the latest versions published each year.

3. The figures for 1996/1998 are for the threatened species assessments that were published in the *1996 IUCN Red List of Threatened Animals* (Baillie and Groombridge 1998) and *The World List of Threatened Trees* (Oldfield et al. 1998).

4. The plant numbers **DO NOT** include species from the *1997 IUCN Red List of Threatened Plants* (Walter and Gillett 1998) as those assessments used the pre-1994 IUCN system of threat categories. Hence the numbers of threatened plants in Table 1b are much lower when compared to the 1997 results. When reporting on threatened plants, the results from the current web version of The IUCN Red List should be combined with the 1997 Plants Red List. Since there have been many taxonomic changes for plant species since 1997, careful comparison of the current and 1997 species lists will be needed when combining these results to avoid double-counting.

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