

Mammals of Vermont Vermont Natural Heritage Information Project Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department 15 July 2011



The following is a list of mammal species known to regularly occur in Vermont. Historic species (not documented in Vermont in the last 25 years) are included if there is a reasonable expectation of their return. Not included are species that are extinct or extirpated from the state. The list is organized taxonomically to genus, then alphabetically within genus. Species that are not native to Vermont are indicated with an asterisk (*).

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Eptesicus fuscus	Big Brown Bat	S4	G5			SGCN
Lasionycteris noctivagans	Silver-haired Bat	S2B	G5			SGCN
Lasiurus borealis	Eastern Red Bat	S4B	G5			SGCN
Lasiurus cinereus	Hoary Bat	S3B	G5			SGCN
Myotis leibii	Eastern Small-footed Bat	S1	G3	Т		SGCN
Myotis lucifugus	Little Brown Bat	S1	G5	Е		SGCN
Myotis septentrionalis	Northern Long-eared Bat	S1	G4	Е		SGCN
Myotis sodalis	Indiana Bat	S1	G2	Е	LE	SGCN
Perimyotis subflavus	Tri-colored Bat	S1	G5	PE		SGCN
Synonym: Pipistrellus	subflavus (Eastern Pipistrelle)					
Canis latrans	Coyote	S5	G5			
Urocyon cinereoargenteus	Gray Fox	S5	G5			SGCN
Vulpes vulpes	Red Fox	S5	G5			
Lynx canadensis	Canadian Lynx	S1	G5	Е	LT	SGCN
Lynx rufus	Bobcat	S5	G5			SGCN
Puma concolor couguar	Eastern Mountain Lion	SH	G5THQ	Е	LE	SGCN
Synonym: Felis conco	lor couguar					
Lontra canadensis	North American River Otter	S5	G5			SGCN
Martes americana	American Marten	S1	G5	Е		SGCN
Martes pennanti	Fisher	S5	G5			
Mustela erminea	Ermine	S5	G5			
Mustela frenata	Long-tailed Weasel	S3S4	G5			SGCN
Neovison vison	American Mink	S5	G5			SGCN
Mephitis mephitis	Striped Skunk	S5	G5			
Procyon lotor	Raccoon	S5	G5			
Ursus americanus	American Black Bear	S5	G5			SGCN
Alces americanus	Moose	S5	G5			
Odocoileus virginianus	White-tailed Deer	S5	G5			

Species: 58

Explanation of Legal Status and Information Ranks

State Rank and **Global Rank** - Value that best characterizes the relative rarity (abundance) or endangerment of a taxon within Vermont's geographic boundary or throughout its range, respectively. Ranks are as follows:

1 - Very rare (Critically imperiled): At very high risk of extinction or extirpation due to extreme rarity (often 5 or fewer populations or occurrences), very steep declines, or other factors

2 - Rare (Imperiled): At high risk of extinction or extirpation due to very restricted range, very few populations (often 20 or fewer), steep declines, or other factors

3 - Uncommon (Vulnerable): At moderate risk of extinction or extirpation due to restricted range, relatively few populations or occurrences (often 80 or fewer), recent and widespread declines, or other factors

4 - Common to uncommon (Apparently secure): locally common or widely scattered to uncommon, but not rare; some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other factors; or stable over many decades and not threatened but of restricted distribution or other factors

5 - Common (Secure): widespread and abundant

H - Possibly extinct/extirpated: Missing; known from only historical occurrences but still some hope of rediscovery

X - Presumed extinct/extirpated: Not located despite intensive searches and virtually no likelihood of rediscovery

U = Unrankable: Currently unrankable due to lack of information or due to substantially conflicting information about status or trends

NR = Not ranked: Not yet assessed

NA = Not applicable. Element is not a suitable target for conservation for one of the following reasons: Hybrid, Exotic Origin, Accidental/Nonregular, Not Confidently Present, No Definable Occurrences

B - Indicates the preceding rank is for breeding populations (used for migratory bat species).

An indicator of uncertainty about the rank, either in the form of a range rank (e.g. S1S3) or a ? qualifier, may follow a numeric rank.

For global ranks only, an appended T-rank indicates an infraspecies.

For global ranks only, a qualifier after the rank in the form of a Q indicates questionable taxonomy.

State Status - Legal protection under Vermont Endangered Species Law (10 V.S.A. Chap. 123)

- E = Endangered: in immediate danger of becoming extirpated in the state
- T = Threatened: with high possibility of becoming endangered in the near future

or informational category only- not established by law

- PE = Proposed for Endangered Status
- PT = Proposed for Threatened Status

PDL = Proposed for Delisting

SC = Special Concern: status should be watched

Federal Status - Designation under the federal Endangered Species Act, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

LE = Listed Endangered

- LT = Listed Threatened
- PDL = Proposed for Delisting
- C = Candidate for Listing (not legally protected)

SGCN - Species of Greatest Conservation Need as identified in the Vermont Wildlife Action Plan; does not denote legal protection.