

Reptiles of Indiana

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The Wildlife Diversity Section (WDS) is responsible for the conservation and management of over 750 species of nongame and endangered wildlife. The list of Indiana's species was compiled by WDS biologists based on accepted taxonomic standards. The list will be periodically reviewed and updated. References used for scientific names are included at the bottom of this list.

ORDER	FAMILY		GENUS	SPECIES	COMMON NAME	STATUS*
Testudines	Chelydridae	Snapping Turtles	<i>Chelydra</i>	<i>serpentina</i>	Eastern Snapping Turtle	
			<i>Macrochelys</i>	<i>temminckii</i>	Alligator Snapping Turtle	SE
	Kinosternidae	Mud and Musk Turtles	<i>Sternotherus</i>	<i>odoratus</i>	Stinkpot Turtle	
			<i>Kinosternon</i>	<i>subrubrum</i>	Eastern Mud Turtle	SE
	Emydidae	Box and Water Turtles	<i>Clemmys</i>	<i>guttata</i>	Spotted Turtle	SE
			<i>Emydoidea</i>	<i>blandingii</i>	Blanding's turtle	SE
			<i>Terrapene</i>	<i>carolina</i>	Eastern Box Turtle	SC
			<i>Terrapene</i>	<i>ornata</i>	Ornate Box Turtle	SE
			<i>Graptemys</i>	<i>geographica</i>	Common Map Turtle	
			<i>Graptemys</i>	<i>pseudogeographica</i>	False Map Turtle	
			<i>Graptemys</i>	<i>ouachitensis</i>	Ouachita Map turtle	
			<i>Chrysemys</i>	<i>picta</i>	Painted Turtle	
			<i>Pseudemys</i>	<i>concinna</i>	Hieroglyphic River Cooter	SE
			<i>Trachemys</i>	<i>scripta</i>	Red-eared Slider	
	Trionychidae	Softshell Turtles	<i>Apalone</i>	<i>mutica</i>	Smooth Softshell Turtle	
			<i>Apalone</i>	<i>spinifera</i>	Spiny Softshell Turtle	
Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	Spiny Lizards	<i>Sceloporus</i>	<i>undulatus</i>	Eastern Fence Lizard	
	Anguidae	Glass and Alligator Lizards	<i>Ophisaurus</i>	<i>attenuatus</i>	Slender Glass Lizard	
	Teiidae	Whiptails and Racerunners	<i>Cnemidophorus</i>	<i>sexlineatus</i>	Six-lined Racerunner	
	Scincidae	Skinks	<i>Eumeces</i>	<i>laticeps</i>	Broadhead Skink	
			<i>Eumeces</i>	<i>fasciatus</i>	Five-lined Skink	
			<i>Scincella</i>	<i>lateralis</i>	Ground Skink	
	Natricidae	Harmless Live-Bearing Snakes	<i>Thamnophis</i>	<i>butleri</i>	Butler's Gartersnake	SE
			<i>Thamnophis</i>	<i>sirtalis</i>	Common Gartersnake	
			<i>Thamnophis</i>	<i>sauritus</i>	Eastern Ribbonsnake	
			<i>Thamnophis</i>	<i>radix</i>	Plains Gartersnake	
			<i>Thamnophis</i>	<i>proximus</i>	Western Ribbonsnake	SC
			<i>Nerodia</i>	<i>erythrogaster neglecta</i>	Copperbelly Watersnake	FT**,SE
			<i>Nerodia</i>	<i>rhombifer</i>	Diamondback Watersnake	
			<i>Nerodia</i>	<i>sipedon</i>	Northern Watersnake	
			<i>Regina</i>	<i>septemvittata</i>	Queen Snake	
			<i>Clonophis</i>	<i>kirtlandii</i>	Kirtland's Snake	SE
			<i>Storeria</i>	<i>dekayi</i>	DeKay's Brownsnake	
	Colubridae	Harmless Egg-Laying Snakes	<i>Storeria</i>	<i>occipitomaculata</i>	Red-bellied Snake	
			<i>Virginia</i>	<i>valeriae</i>	Smooth Earthsnake	
<i>Coluber</i>			<i>constrictor</i>	Eastern Racer		
			<i>Opheodrys</i>	<i>aestivus</i>	Rough Greensnake	SC

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		<i>Ophedryx</i>	<i>vernalis</i>	Smooth Greensnake	SE
		<i>Elaphe</i>	<i>obsoleta</i>	Western Ratsnake	
		<i>Elaphe</i>	<i>spiloides</i>	Midland Ratsnake	
		<i>Elaphe</i>	<i>vulpina</i>	Western Foxsnake	
		<i>Pituophis</i>	<i>catenifer sayi</i>	Bull Snake	
		<i>Lampropeltis</i>	<i>getula nigra</i>	Black Kingsnake	
		<i>Lampropeltis</i>	<i>triangulum triangulum</i>	Eastern Milksnake	
		<i>Lampropeltis</i>	<i>calligaster calligaster</i>	Prairie Kingsnake	
		<i>Lampropeltis</i>	<i>triangulum sypila</i>	Red Milksnake	
		<i>Cemophora</i>	<i>coccinea</i>	Scarletsnake	SE
		<i>Tantilla</i>	<i>coronata</i>	Southeastern Crowned Snake	SE
	Dipsadidae	Slender Rear-Fanged Snakes	<i>Diadophis</i>	<i>punctatus</i>	Ringneck Snake
			<i>Carphophis</i>	<i>amoenus</i>	Eastern Wormsnake
	Xenodontidae	Robust Rear-Fanged Snakes	<i>Heterodon</i>	<i>platirhinus</i>	Eastern Hognose Snake
			<i>Farancia</i>	<i>abacura</i>	Mud Snake
	Crotalidae	Pit Vipers	<i>Agkistrodon</i>	<i>contortrix</i>	Copperhead
			<i>Agkistrodon</i>	<i>piscivorus</i>	Cottonmouth
			<i>Sistrurus</i>	<i>catenatus</i>	Massasauga
			<i>Crotalus</i>	<i>horridus</i>	Timber Rattlesnake

** only the northern population of the copperbelly watersnake is federally threatened

* Key to Status: Special Concern (SC), State Endangered (SE), Federal Threatened (FT), Federal Endangered (FE), Federal Candidate (FC), X (exotic/introduced)

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