

In Canada, there are more than 250 species of plants and animals at risk of extinction

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Extinct - a species that no longer exists anywhere.

Extirpated - a species no longer existing in the wild in one area but occurring elsewhere in the world.

Endangered - a species that is close to extinction throughout all or a large portion of a specific area.

Threatened - a species likely to become endangered if the factors affecting it are not reversed.

Vulnerable - a species particularly at risk because of low or declining numbers, or some other reason, but not a threatened species.