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Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Reptilia	Squamata	Cordylidae

Scientific Name: Karusasaurus jordani (Parker, 1936)

Synonym(s):

Cordylus jordani (Parker, 1936)Zonurus jordani Parker, 1936

Common Name(s):

• English: Jordan's Girdled Lizard, Namibian Girdled Lizard

Assessment Information

Red List Category & Criteria: Least Concern ver 3.1

Year Published: 2020

Date Assessed: October 23, 2019

Justification:

This Least Concern species is broadly distributed (the extent of occurrence (EOO) is much greater than the threshold for Vulnerable), common, not declining, and not subject to any known widespread threats.

Geographic Range

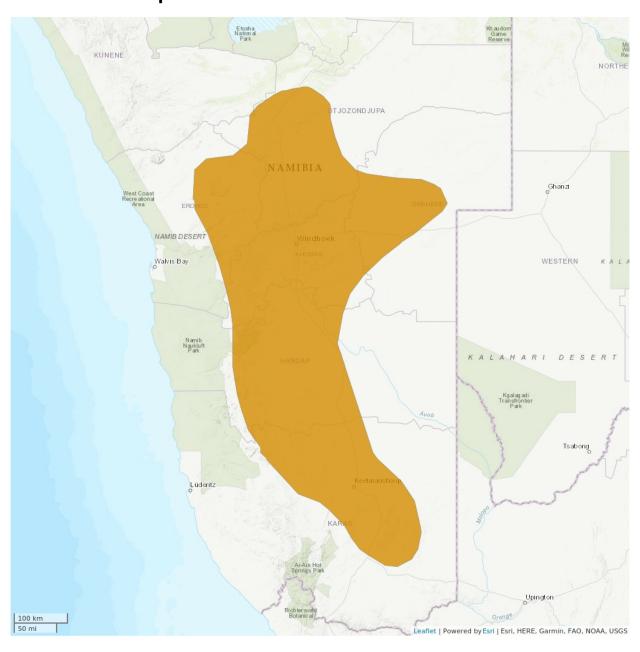
Range Description:

This species is endemic to Namibia, where it is widespread in the centre of the country (Branch 1998). The elevational range is 1,000-1,800 m.

Country Occurrence:

Native, Extant (resident): Namibia

Distribution Map





Compiled by:

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Population

This species is common and the population is assumed to be stable due to the lack of threats.

Current Population Trend: Stable

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

It is associated with rocky hillsides (Branch 1998), often in arid savanna. Animals can be encountered living in horizontal rock crevices. It is a viviparous species.

Systems: Terrestrial

Use and Trade

This species is included within Appendix II of CITES.

Threats

There are no widespread threats to this species.

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

This species occur in Waterberg Plateau Park, Daan Viljoen Game Park, and Namib-Naukluft National Park (Griffin 2003). This species is included in Appendix II of CITES. No other conservation measures are needed.

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Appendix

Habitats

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
2. Savanna -> 2.1. Savanna - Dry	Resident	Suitable	Yes

Use and Trade

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

End Use	Local	National	International
Pets/display animals, horticulture		No	Yes

Conservation Actions in Place

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Conservation Action in Place	
In-place land/water protection	
Occurs in at least one protected area: Yes	
In-place education	
Included in international legislation: Yes	
Subject to any international management / trade controls: Yes	

Additional Data Fields

Distribution	
Lower elevation limit (m): 1,000	
Upper elevation limit (m): 1,800	

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