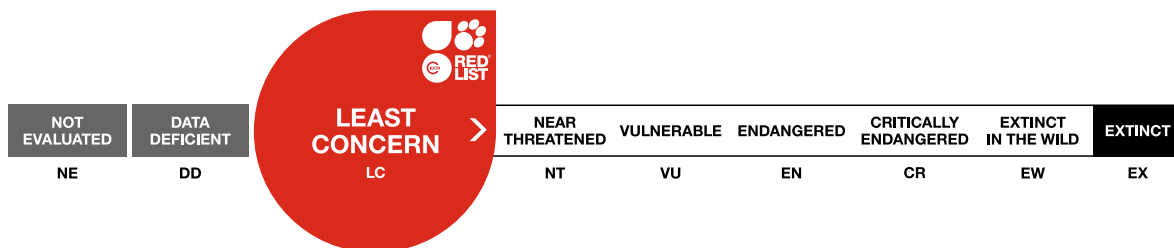


## *Namibiana labialis*, Damara Thread Snake

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## Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Reptilia	Squamata	Leptotyphlopidae

**Scientific Name:** *Namibiana labialis* (Sternfeld, 1908)

### Synonym(s):

- *Glauconia labialis* Sternfeld, 1908
- *Leptotyphlops labialis* (Sternfeld, 1908)

### Common Name(s):

- English: Damara Thread Snake

## Assessment Information

**Red List Category & Criteria:** Least Concern [ver 3.1](#)

**Year Published:** 2020

**Date Assessed:** October 24, 2019

### Justification:

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

## Geographic Range

### Range Description:

This little-known species has been recorded from northwestern Namibia and adjacent southern Angola (Bauer *et al.* 1993, Branch 1998). It occurs from 300-1,200 m elevation.

### Country Occurrence:

**Native, Extant (resident):** Angola; Namibia



## Population

This species is infrequently encountered due to its fossorial habits. It is likely to be a common species judging from the availability of suitable habitat. The population is likely stable because the habitat is intact.

**Current Population Trend:** Stable

## Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

This is a nocturnal, fossorial species, present in arid savanna habitats (Branch 1998). It tends to be more active after rain.

**Systems:** Terrestrial

## Use and Trade (see Appendix for additional information)

There is no use or trade in this species.

## Threats

There are no widespread threats to this species.

## Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

No species-specific conservation measures are needed for this species. It occurs in Namib-Naukluft and Etosha National Parks in Namibia.

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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	-	Suitable	-

### Conservation Actions in Place

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

Conservation Action in Place
In-place land/water protection
Occurs in at least one protected area: Yes

### Additional Data Fields

Distribution
Lower elevation limit (m): 300
Upper elevation limit (m): 1,200

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