

Southern and Midwestern Turtle Species Affected by Commercial Harvest (in AR, FL, GA, IA, KY, LA, MO, OH, OK, SC, TN, and TX):

species in red = depleted to the point they may warrant federal Endangered Species Act listing

Common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*) – AR, GA, IA, KY, MO, OH, OK, SC, TX
Florida common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina osceola*) - FL
Southern painted turtle (*Chrysemys dorsalis*) – AR
Western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*) – IA, MO, OH, OK
Spotted turtle (*Clemmys gutatta*) - FL, GA, OH
Florida chicken turtle (*Deirochelys reticularia chrysea*) – FL
Western chicken turtle (*Deirochelys reticularia miaria*) – AR, FL, GA, KY, MO, OK, TN, TX
Barbour's map turtle (*Graptemys barbouri*) - FL, GA
Cagle's map turtle (*Graptemys caglei*) - TX
Escambia map turtle (*Graptemys ernsti*) – FL
Common map turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) – AR, GA, OH, OK
Ouachita map turtle (*Graptemys ouachitensis*) – AR, GA, OH, OK, TX
Sabine map turtle (*Graptemys ouachitensis sabinensis*) – TX
False map turtle (*Graptemys pseudogeographica*) – MO, OK, TX
Mississippi map turtle (*Graptemys pseudogeographica kohnii*) – AR, TX
Alabama map turtle (*Graptemys pulchra*) – GA
Texas map turtle (*Graptemys versa*) - TX
Striped mud turtle (*Kinosternon baurii*) – FL, GA, SC
Yellow mud turtle (*Kinosternon flavescens*) – OK, TX
Common mud turtle (*Kinosternon subrubrum*) – AR, FL, GA, OK, TX
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*) – AR, FL, GA, LA, MO, TX
Diamond-back terrapin (*Malaclemys terrapin*) – FL, GA, LA, SC, TX
River cooter (*Pseudemys concinna*) – AR, FL, GA, OK, TX
Florida cooter (*Pseudemys floridiana*) - FL
Rio Grande river cooter (*Pseudemys gorzugi*) - TX
Florida redbelly turtle (*Pseudemys nelsoni*) – FL, GA
Razorback musk turtle (*Sternotherus carinatus*) – AR, OK, TX
Loggerhead musk turtle (*Sternotherus minor*) - FL, GA
Common musk turtle, or stinkpot (*Sternotherus odoratus*) – AR, FL, GA, MO, OH, OK, TX
Eastern box turtle (*Terrapene carolina*) – AR, FL, GA, IA, KY, LA, MO, OH, OK, SC, TN, TX
Ornate box turtle (*Terrapene ornata*) – TX
Red-eared slider (*Trachemys scripta elegans*) – AR, LA, MO, OH, TX
Big Bend slider (*Trachemys scripta gaigeae*) – TX
Yellowbelly slider (*Trachemys scripta scripta*) - FL
Florida softshell turtle (*Trionyx ferox*) - FL, GA, SC
Smooth softshell turtle (*Trionyx muticus*) - FL, GA, MO, OH, OK
Spiny softshell turtle (*Trionyx spiniferus*) – AR, FL, GA, IA, KY, MO, OH, OK, TX

Turtle species in these states listed under the Endangered Species Act:

Southern bog turtle (*Clemmys muhlenbergii*) - GA, NC, SC, TN, VA
Yellow-blotched map turtle (*Graptemys flavimaculata*) – LA, MS
Ringed map turtle (*Graptemys oculifera*) – LA, MS
Alabama red-belly turtle (*Pseudemys alabamensis*) – AL, MS
Flattened musk turtle (*Sternotherus depressus*) – AL

Turtle species protected under state laws (but often illegally caught by collectors)

Arkansas:

Western chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*)
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*)

Box turtle species (genus *Terrapene*)

Florida:

Barbour's map turtle (*Graptemys barbouri*) – State Species of Concern
Striped mud turtle (*Kinosternon baurii*) - Endangered
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*) – State Species of Concern
Suwannee cooter (*Pseudemys concinna suwanniensis*) – State Species of Concern

Georgia:

Spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*) – Unusual
Barbour's Map Turtle (*Graptemys barbouri*) – Threatened
Common Map Turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) - Rare
Bog turtle (*Glyptemys muhlenbergii*) – Endangered
Alabama Map Turtle (*Graptemys pulchra*) - Rare
Alligator Snapping Turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*) - Threatened
Diamondback terrapin (*Malaclemys terrapin*) – Unusual

Iowa:

Wood turtle (*Clemmys insculpta*)
Chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*) - possibly extirpated
Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*)
Yellow mud turtle (*Kinosternon flavescens*)
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*)
Common musk turtle (*Sternotherus odoratus*)
Ornate box turtle (*Terrapene ornata*)

Kentucky:

Chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*)
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*)

Louisiana:

Yellow-blotched map turtle (*Graptemys flavimaculata*)
Ringed map turtle (*Graptemys oculifera*)

Missouri:

Chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*)
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*)

Ohio:

Spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*)
Wood turtle (*Clemmys insculpta*)
Chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*)
Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*)

Oklahoma:

Map Turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) – State Species of Concern
Alligator Snapping Turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*) – State Species of Concern

South Carolina:

Spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*)
Chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*)
Bog turtle (*Glyptemys muhlenbergii*)

Tennessee:

Chicken turtle subspecies (*Deirochelys reticularia*)
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*)

Texas:

Texas tortoise (*Gopherus berlandieri*)
Cagle's map turtle (*Graptemys caglei*)
Chihuahuan mud turtle (*Kinosternon hirtipes*)
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*)

Average annual numbers of live wild caught turtles declared exported from the U.S. 2002-2005:

Red-ear slider (*Trachemys scripta elegans*) and (*Chrysemys scripta elegans*) – 74,354
Common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*) and (*C. s. osceola*) – 57,748
Unidentified painted turtles (*Chrysemys* sp.) – 24,015
Unidentified cooters (*Pseudemys* sp.) – 21,220
Mississippi map turtle (*Graptemys pseudogeographica kohni*) – 11,354
Big Bend slider (*Trachemys scripta gaigeae*) – 7,918
Common musk turtle (*Sternotherus odoratus*) or (*Kinosternon odoratum*) – 5,833
Yellowbelly slider (*Trachemys scripta scripta*) – 5,631
Western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*) and (*Chrysemys bellii*) – 3,694
Spiny soft-shell turtle (*Apalone spinifera*) and (*Trionyx spinifera*) – 3,587
Unidentified map turtles (*Graptemys*) – 3,455 (FWS did not require exporters to distinguish the species!)
River cooter (*Pseudemys concinna*) and (*Chrysemys concinna*) – 3,411
False map turtle (*Graptemys pseudogeographica*) – 3,288
Razorback musk turtle (*Sternotherus carinatus*) and (*Kinosternon carinatum*) - 897
Florida cooter (*Pseudemys floridiana*) - 727
Florida redbelly turtle (*Pseudemys nelsoni*) and (*Chrysemys nelsoni*) - 670
Common mud turtle (*Kinosternon subrubrum*) - 513
Diamond-back terrapin (*Malaclemys terrapin*) – 483
Yellow mud turtle (*Kinosternon flavescens*) - 474
Unidentified mud turtles (*Kinosternon* sp.) - 418
Unidentified musk turtles (*Sternotherus* sp.) – 346
Texas map turtle (*Graptemys versa*) - 315
Striped mud turtle (*Kinosternon baurii*) - 148
Loggerhead musk turtle (*Sternotherus minor*) - 176
Spotted turtle (*Clemmys gutatta*) - 74
Alabama redbelly turtle (*Pseudemys alabamensis*) - 50
Peninsula cooter (*Pseudemys peninsularis*) - 37
American redbelly turtle (*Pseudemys rubriventris*) - 17
Pascagoula map turtle (*Graptemys gibbonsi*) - 13
Chicken turtle (*Deirochelys reticularia*) - 13
Alabama map turtle (*Graptemys pulchra*) - 12
Barbour's map turtle (*Graptemys barbouri*) – 11
Rio Grande River cooter (*Pseudemys gorzugi*) - 11
Common map turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) - 9
Black-knobbed map turtle (*Graptemys nigrinoda*) - 9
Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*) and (*Macrochelys temminckii*) - 8
Cagle's map turtle (*Graptemys caglei*) - 4
Cumberland slider (*Trachemys scripta troostii*) – 2

Total exports = 244,316 live wild caught turtles annually