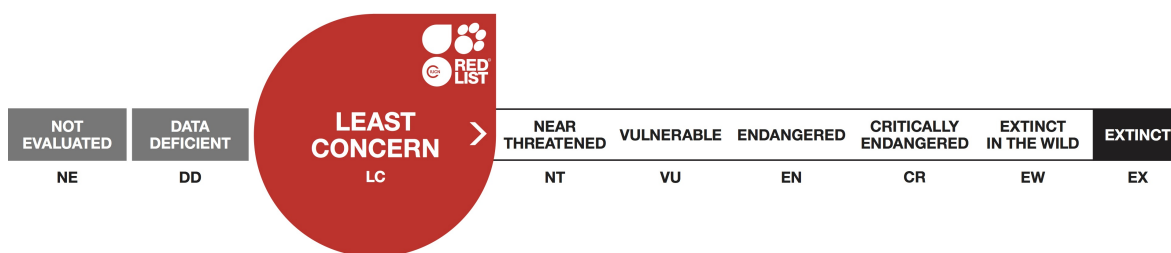


Acanthodactylus busacki, Busack's Fringe-fingered Lizard

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Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Reptilia	Squamata	Lacertidae

Taxon Name: *Acanthodactylus busacki* Salvador, 1982

Common Name(s):

- English: Busack's Fringe-fingered Lizard

Assessment Information

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

Year Published: 2010

Date Assessed: June 30, 2009

Justification:

Acanthodactylus busacki is listed as Least Concern in view of its relatively wide distribution, and because there are no major threats impacting it. This species is not experiencing declines and cannot be considered as threatened.

Geographic Range

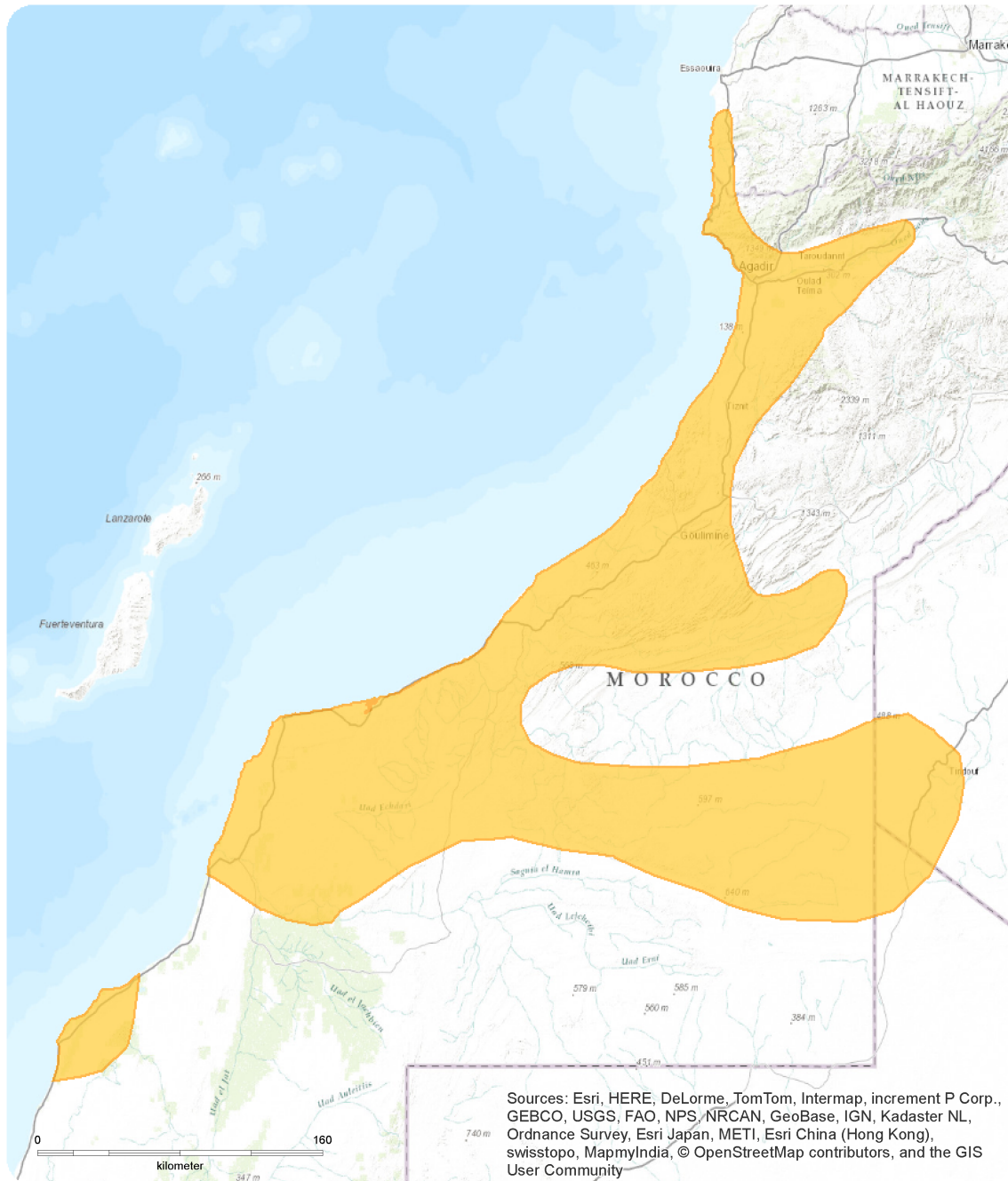
Range Description:

This species has a fragmented distribution and is known from coastal Western Sahara, southwestern Morocco, where it is present in the Souss Valley and the Atlantic coastal area from Tamri to Boujdour, as well as the extreme western Algeria (only around Tindouf) (P. Geniez and P.-A. and Crochet pers. comms. 2010). It occurs from sea level to 580 m above sea level.

Country Occurrence:

Native: Algeria; Morocco; Western Sahara

Distribution Map



Acanthodactylus busacki

Range
■ Extant (resident)

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Population

This species can be common in good habitat.

Current Population Trend: Stable

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

This species is found in arid and semi-arid stony plains and is sometimes abundant in Macaronesian-type vegetation dominated by *Euphorbia* species or other shrubs. It is an egg-laying species.

Systems: Terrestrial

Threats

The threats to this species are not currently well-known; however coastal developments in Western Sahara puts the southernmost populations of this species at risk (P. Geniez and P-A Crochet pers. comms. 2010).

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

There are no direct conservation measures for this species, however, it occurs in Souss-Massa National Park in Morocco and in several other protected areas. More research is needed to investigate this species' taxonomy.

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Appendix

Habitats

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

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
3. Shrubland -> 3.5. Shrubland - Subtropical/Tropical Dry	-	Suitable	-
3. Shrubland -> 3.8. Shrubland - Mediterranean-type Shrubby Vegetation	-	Suitable	-
8. Desert -> 8.1. Desert - Hot	-	Suitable	-

Conservation Actions in Place

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

Conservation Actions in Place
In-Place Land/Water Protection and Management
Occur in at least one PA: Yes

Research Needed

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

Research Needed
1. Research -> 1.1. Taxonomy

Additional Data Fields

Distribution
Lower elevation limit (m): 0
Upper elevation limit (m): 580
Population
Population severely fragmented: No

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