

Table 1. Extinction rates calculated by cohort analysis and fractions of species that are critically endangered (CR). Data from (13, 37, 50, 51). Bird species thought to be “possibly extinct” are counted as extinctions.

When described	Species	Extinctions	Species-years	Extinction rate	CR	% CR
			<i>Birds</i>			
Before 1900	8922	89	1,812,897	49	123	1.4
1900 to present	1230	13	98,334	132	60	4.9
			<i>Amphibians</i>			
Before 1900	1437	14	212,348	66	37	2.6
1900 to present	4972	22	206,187	107	483	9.7
			<i>Mammals</i>			
Before 1900	2983	36	500,252	72	70	2.3
1900 to present	2523	43	176,858	243	126	5.0

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