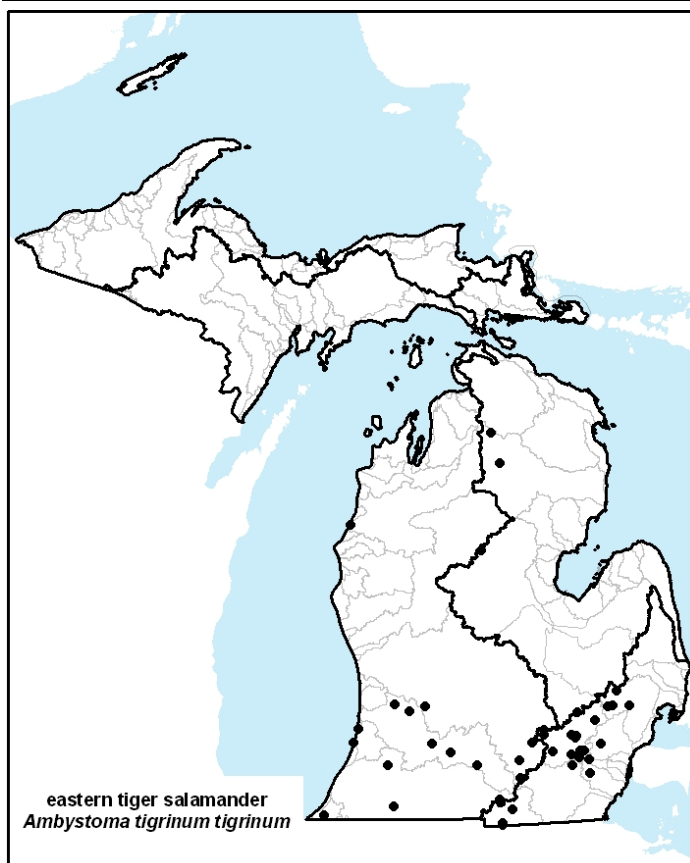


AMPHIBIANS



eastern tiger salamander

(*Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: Unknown.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: *aquatic:* ponds; headwaters & small tributaries; gradient: slow; ephemeral wetland; vegetation; woody structure; *terrestrial:* prairie; idle/old field; pasture; savanna; lowland shrub; lowland hardwood; mesic hardwood; lowland conifer; mesic conifer; inland emergent wetland; ephemeral wetland; pond; inland lake; river/stream/riparian/floodplain corridor; suburban/small town

ASSOCIATED THREATS: invasive plants & animals; other biological interactions (hybridization); conversion to agriculture lands; fragmentation; altered hydrologic regimes; industrial/residential/recreational development; pesticides & herbicides; removal of wildlife; urban, municipal, and industrial pollution; wetland modifications

COMMENTS: Distribution and population status need to be determined. Introduced fish are a problem for this species. Hybridization and genetic complexity issues. The Great Lakes region has a unisexual *Ambystoma* that needs to be researched and considered for conservation (Petranka 1998). Edge of range species.