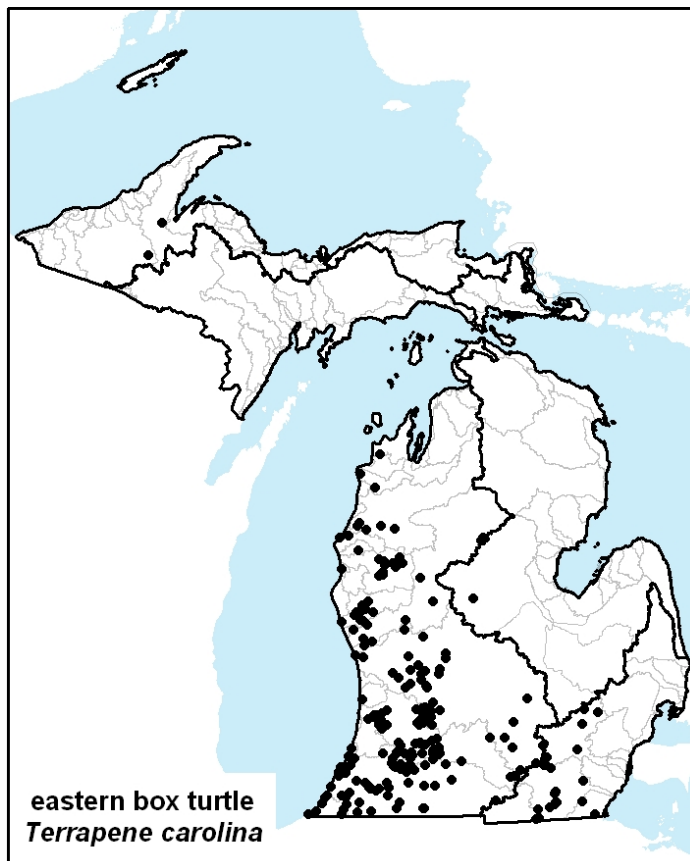


REPTILES



eastern box turtle

(*Terrapene carolina carolina*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: State listed as special concern. Occurs throughout the Lower Peninsula of the Lake Michigan basin and Lake Erie basin, however this species is rare in the Huron and Superior basins. Abundance is unknown.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: *aquatic:* ponds; headwaters & small tributaries; bog; ephemeral wetland; fen; inland emergent wetland; swamp; soft substrates; *terrestrial:* prairie; idle/old field; pasture; fence row; savanna; orchard; lowland shrub; upland shrub; lowland hardwood; mesic hardwood; dry hardwood; lowland conifer; mesic conifer; dry conifer; forest opening; bog; inland emergent wetland; fen; ephemeral wetland; swamp; pond; river/stream/riparian/floodplain corridor; coastal dune/beach; edge; suburban/small town; down woody debris

ASSOCIATED THREATS: conversion to agriculture lands; disease, pathogens & parasites; fragmentation; grazing & mowing patterns; incompatible natural resource mgmt; industrial/residential/recreational development; invasive plants & animals; forestry practices; non-consumptive recreation; removal of wildlife

COMMENTS: Michigan northern edge of range. Home ranges - 1.5-16 ha. Population status needs to be determined.