



THE LIVESTOCK CONSERVANCY™

Conservation Priority Livestock Breeds 2020

Critical: Fewer than 200 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 2,000. For rabbits, fewer than 50 annual registrations in the United States, estimated global population less than 500, fewer than 150 recorded at rabbit shows in the previous 5 years and 10 or fewer breeders.

Threatened: Fewer than 1,000 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 5,000. For rabbits, fewer than 100 annual registrations in the United States, and estimated global population less than 1,000, fewer than 300 recorded at rabbit shows in the previous 5 years and 11-30 breeders.

Watch: Fewer than 2,500 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 10,000, and breeds that present genetic or numerical concerns or have a limited geographic distribution. For rabbits, fewer than 200 annual registrations in the United States, estimated global population less than 2,000, fewer than 500 recorded at rabbit shows in the previous 5 years and 31-60 breeders.

Recovering: Breeds that were once listed in another category and have exceeded Watch category numbers but are still in need of monitoring. For rabbits, over 500 recorded at rabbit shows in the last 5 years and over 61 breeders.

Study: Breeds that are of genetic interest but either lack definition or lack genetic or historical documentation.

	Critical	Threatened	Watch	Recovering	Study
Cattle	Canadienne Dutch Belted Kerry Lincoln Red Milking Devon Heritage Shorthorn (Native) ¹ Randall or Randall Lineback Texas Longhorn (CTLR) ²	Ancient White Park Florida Cracker Pineywoods Red Poll	Ayrshire Belted Galloway Galloway Guernsey	Ankole-Watusi Red Devon Dexter	Chirikof Island Criollo Chihuahua
Goats	Arapawa San Clemente Island		Spanish	Myotonic or Tennessee Fainting Oberhasli	Golden Guernsey
Pigs	Choctaw Large Black Meishan Mulefoot Ossabaw Island	Gloucestershire Old Spots Guinea Hog Red Wattle	Tamworth	Hereford	Saddleback
Rabbits	Blanc de Hotot Silver Silver Marten	Argent Brun Checkered Giant Crème d'Argent Standard Chinchilla	American American Chinchilla Giant Chinchilla Lilac Palomino Rhinelander	Belgian Hare Beveren Silver Fox	Harlequin
Sheep	Florida Cracker Gulf Coast or Gulf Coast Native Hog Island Santa Cruz Teeswater	Black Welsh Mountain Clun Forest Cotswold Dorset Horn Jacob – American Karakul – American Leicester Longwool Lincoln Navajo-Churro Romeldale / CVM	Barbados Blackbelly Oxford Shropshire St. Croix Tunis Wiltshire Hom	Shetland Southdown	

Breeds unique to North America are printed in bold.

¹ Milking Shorthorns that qualify for the "Native (N)" designation, identifying them as pure, old line, dual purpose Milking Shorthorns, as verified by the AMSS office.

² Cattlemen's Texas Longhorn Registry.



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Conservation Priority Equine Breeds 2020

Critical: Fewer than 200 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 2,000.

Threatened: Fewer than 1,000 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 5,000.

Watch: Fewer than 2,500 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 10,000. Also included for all livestock are breeds that present genetic or numerical concerns or have a limited geographic distribution.

Recovering: Breeds that were once listed in another category and have exceeded Watch category numbers but are still in need of monitoring.

Study: Breeds that are of genetic interest but either lack definition or lack genetic or historical documentation.

	Critical	Threatened	Watch	Recovering	Study
Donkeys	American Mammoth Jackstock Poitou			Miniature Donkey	
Horses	American Cream Banker ¹ Canadian Caspian Cleveland Bay Dales Pony Dartmoor Exmoor Fell Pony Florida Cracker ¹ Galiceño ¹ Hackney Horse Highland Pony Marsh Tacky ¹ Morgan – Traditional ² Newfoundland Pony Suffolk	Akhal-Teke Clydesdale Colonial Spanish ³ <i>Strains:</i> Baca-Chica Choctaw Santa Cruz Sulphur Wilbur-Cruce Gotland Irish Draught Lipizzan Rocky Mountain/Mountain Pleasure Puerto Rican Paso Fino Shire		Belgian	Brabant California Vaquero ¹

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¹ Each of these has an independent, stand-alone registry and conservation program. In addition, each has contributed to the Colonial Spanish breed.

² Includes horses whose pedigrees are absent of outcrosses after 1930.

³ This includes several different registries, each with somewhat different goals (SMR, SSMA, SBBOA, AIHR, HOA). Under this umbrella some strains have independent conservation programs and those are noted individually.

Conservation Priority List: Endangered Bloodlines

To assign breeds to the Conservation Priority List (CPL), The Livestock Conservancy uses annual registration numbers to assess breed status in USA populations, along with international census figures for those breeds with international populations. In a few breeds the census can be quite high, but rare bloodlines within the breed can remain seriously endangered. Endangered bloodlines occur in many breeds. The Livestock Conservancy only lists those with validation of old, purebred, traditional status in breeds that have otherwise undergone introgression from other breeds. A few breeds, such as Shorthorns, Texas Longhorns, and Morgans carefully validate these traditional lines, and are listed on the CPL. Bloodlines in many other breeds lack independent validation and identification, which limits The Livestock Conservancy's ability to list these separately from the larger introgressed breed.