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The arbitrary geographic limits of the El Paso-Juárez border region, with El Paso-Juárez at its center, form a rectangular area bounded by Deming and Columbus, New Mexico, to the west; Radium Springs, New Mexico, to the north; and Van Horn, Texas, to the east. This list is conservative. It excludes some species of questionable occurrence and includes those species whose occurrence is well documented.

CLASS AMPHIBIA

Order Urodela - Salamanders (1)

Family Ambystomatidae: Mole Salamanders

Ambystoma tigrinum--Tiger Salamander

Order Anura - Frogs and Toads (12)

Family Bufonidae: "True Toads"

Bufo debilis--Green Toad

Bufo punctatus--Red-spotted Toad

Bufo speciosus--Texas Toad

Bufo cognatus--Great Plains Toad

Bufo woodhousei--Woodhouse Toad

Family Leptodactylidae: Leptodactylid Frogs

Eleutherodactylus augusti--Barking Frog

Family Microhylidae: Narrow-mouthed Toads

Gastrophryne olivacea--Great Plains Narrow-mouthed Toad

Family Pelobatidae: Spadefoot Toads

Scaphiopus couchi--Couch's Spadefoot

Scaphiopus bombifrons--Plains Spadefoot

Scaphiopus multiplicatus--Southern Spadefoot

Family Ranidae: "True Frogs"

Rana berlandieri--Rio Grande Leopard Frog

Rana catesbeiana--Bullfrog

Rana pipiens--Northern Leopard Frog

CLASS REPTILIA

Order Testudines - Turtles (6)

Family Emydidae: Emydid Turtles

Terrapene ornata--Western Box Turtle

Chrysemys picta--Painted Turtle

Trachemys gaigeae--Big Bend Slider

Trachemys scripta--Red-eared Slider

Family Kinosternidae: Mud Turtles

Kinosternon flavescens--Yellow Mud Turtle

Family Trionychidae: Soft-shelled Turtles

Trionyx spiniferus--Spiny Softshell

Order Squamata - Lizards and Snakes

Suborder Sauria - Lizards (22)

Family Anguidae: Anguid Lizards

Elgaria kingii--Madrean Alligator Lizard

Family Gekkonidae: Geckos

Coleonyx brevis--Texas Banded Gecko

Hemidactylus turcicus--Mediterranean Gecko

Family Iguanidae: Iguanid Lizards

Cophosaurus texanus--Greater Earless Lizard

Crotaphytus collaris--Common Collard Lizard

Holbrookia maculata--Lesser Earless Lizard

Gambelia wislizenii--Long-nosed Leopard Lizard

Phrynosoma cornutum--Texas Horned Lizard

Phrynosoma douglassi--Short-horned lizard

Phrynosoma modestum--Round-tailed Horned Lizard

Sceloporus magister--Desert Spiny Lizard

Sceloporus poinsetti--Crevice Spiny Lizard

Sceloporus undulatus--Eastern Fence Lizard

Urosaurus ornatus--Tree Lizard

Uta stansburiana--Side-blotched Lizard

Family Scincidae: Skinks

Eumeces multivirgatus--Many-lined Skink

Eumeces obsoletus--Great Plains Skink

Family Teiidae: Whiptail Lizards

Cnemidophorus exsanguis--Chihuahuan Spotted Whiptail

Cnemidophorus inornatus--Little Striped Whiptail

Cnemidophorus marmoratus--Marbled Whiptail

Cnemidophorus neomexicanus--New Mexican Whiptail

Cnemidophorus septemvittatus--Rusty-rumped Whiptail

Cnemidophorus tessellatus--Checkered Whiptail

Cnemidophorus uniparens--Desert Grassland Whiptail

Suborder Serpentes - Snakes (31)

Family Colubridae: Common Harmless Snakes

Arizona elegans--Glossy Snake
Diadophis punctatus--Ringneck Snake
Elaphe guttata--Corn Snake
Elaphe subocularis--Trans-Pecos Rat Snake
Gyalopion canum--Chihuahuan Hook-nosed Snake
Heterodon nasicus--Western Hognose Snake
Hypsiglena torquata--Night Snake
Lampropeltis alterna--Gray-banded Kingsnake
Lampropeltis getulus--Common Kingsnake
Lampropeltis triangulum--Milk Snake
Masticophis flagellum--Coachwhip
Masticophis taeniatus--Striped Whipsnake
Pituophis melanoleucus--Gopher Snake
Rhinocheilus lecontei--Long-nosed Snake
Salvadora deserticola--Big Bend Patch-nosed Snake
Salvadora grahamiae--Graham Patch-nosed Snake
Sonora semiannulata--Ground Snake
Tantilla hobartsmithi--Southwestern Black-headed Snake
Tantilla nigriceps--Plains Black-headed Snake
Thamnophis cyrtopsis--Black-necked Garter Snake
Thamnophis marcianus--Checkered Garter Snake
Thamnophis sirtalis--Common Garter Snake
Trimorphodon biscutatus--Lyre Snake

Family Leptotyphlopidae: Blind Snakes

Leptotyphlops dulcis--Texas Blind Snake
Leptotyphlops humilis--Western Blind Snake

Family Viperidae: Vipers

Crotalus atrox--Western Diamondback Rattlesnake
Crotalus lepidus--Rock Rattlesnake
Crotalus molossus--Black-tailed Rattlesnake
Crotalus scutulatus--Mohave Rattlesnake
Crotalus viridis--Prairie Rattlesnake
Sistrurus catenatus--Massasauga

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