Acanthodactylus orientalis

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**Taxonomy**

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**Taxon Name:** *Acanthodactylus orientalis* Angel, 1936

**Assessment Information**

Red List Category & Criteria: Least Concern ver 3.1

Year Published: 2009

Date Assessed: December 14, 2008

Justification:
Listed as Least Concern in view of its wide distribution, presumed large population, and because it is unlikely to be declining fast enough to qualify for listing in a more threatened category.

**Geographic Range**

Range Description:
This species is known from central and southern Syria, northern Jordan and western and central Iraq.

Country Occurrence:
Native: Iraq; Jordan; Syrian Arab Republic
Acanthodactylus orientalis

Range

- Extant (resident)

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IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature)

http://dx.doi.org/10.2305/IUCN.UK.2009.RLTS.T164723A5920936.en
Population
It is a common species.
Current Population Trend: Stable

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)
It occurs on fairly hard substrate in dry steppe habitat with scattered vegetation. It can be found in heavily grazed areas in the 'Syrian Desert' region.
Systems: Terrestrial

Threats
There appear to be no significant threats to this species.

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)
It has been recorded from a protected area in Syria, and is perhaps present within other protected areas within the region.

Credits
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Reviewer(s): Neil Cox and Helen Temple
Bibliography


Citation


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Habitats
(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

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Conservation Actions in Place
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Research Needed
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Additional Data Fields

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