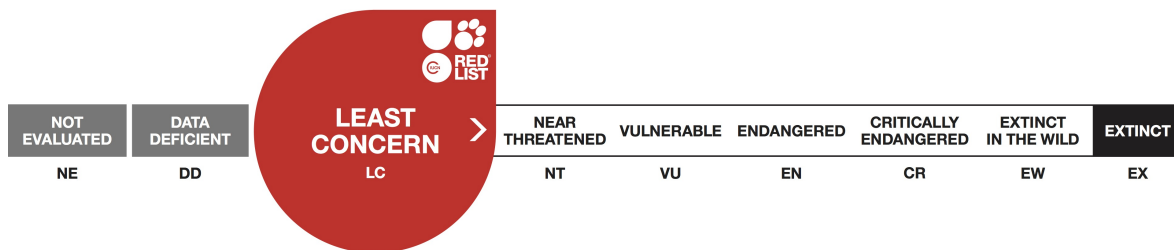


Tropidurus spinulosus, Spiny Lava Lizard

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Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Reptilia	Squamata	Tropiduridae

Taxon Name: *Tropidurus spinulosus* (Cope, 1862)

Synonym(s):

- *Microlophus spinulosus* Cope, 1862

Common Name(s):

- English: Spiny Lava Lizard

Assessment Information

Red List Category & Criteria: Least Concern [ver 3.1](#)

Year Published: 2016

Date Assessed: November 13, 2014

Justification:

Listed as Least Concern because it is a common and widespread, and is found within protected areas.

Geographic Range

Range Description:

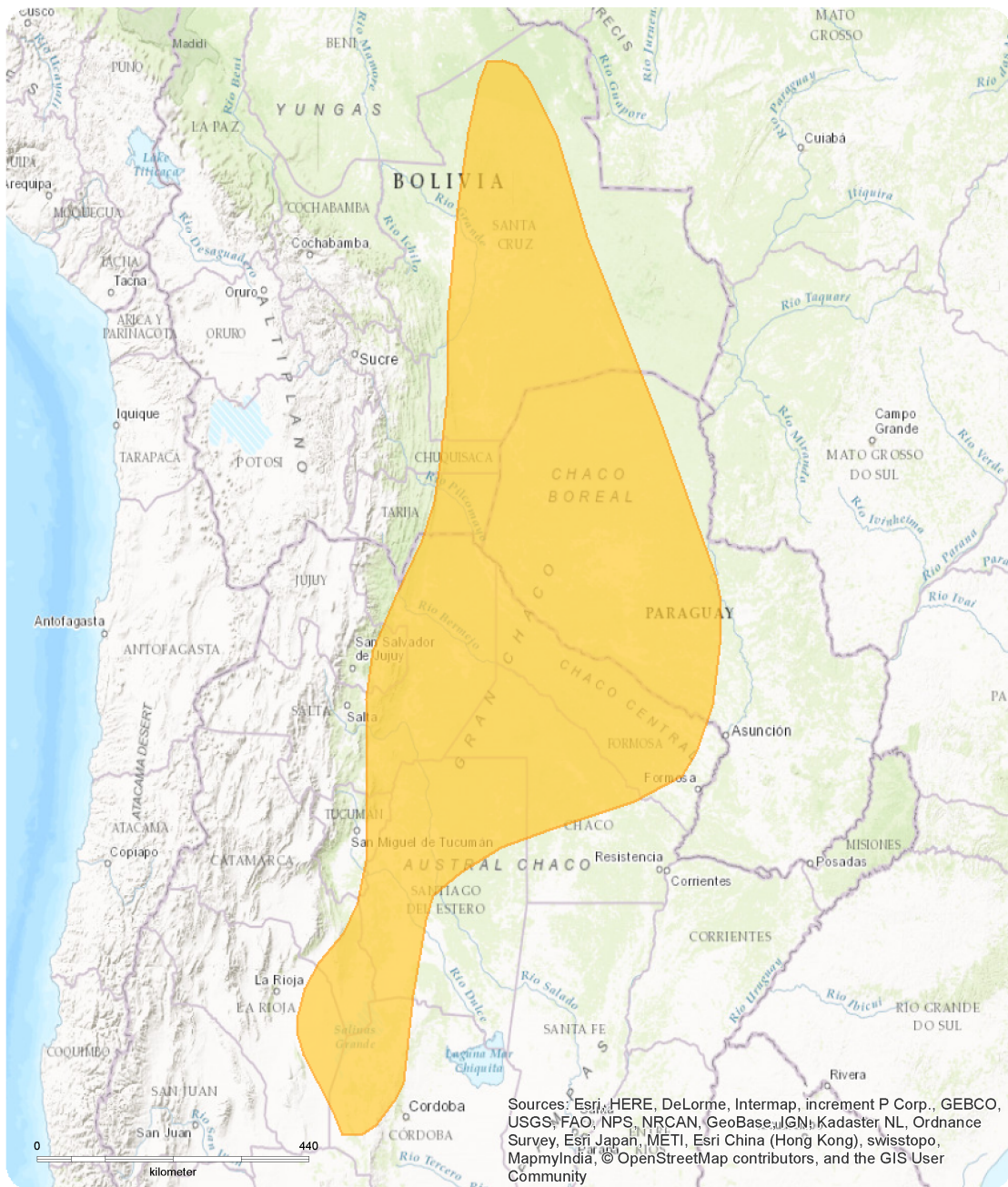
Tropidurus spinulosus distribution extends from north central Argentina and northwestern Paraguay to reach southeastern and central Bolivia (Carvalho 2013).

Country Occurrence:

Native: Argentina (Chaco, Córdoba, Formosa, La Rioja, Salta); Bolivia, Plurinational States of; Brazil (Mato Grosso do Sul); Paraguay

Distribution Map

Tropidurus spinulosus

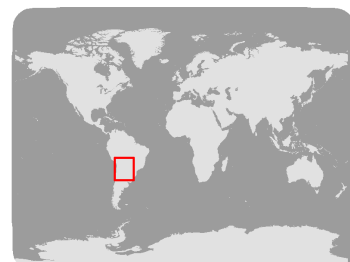


Range

■ Extant (resident)

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Population

It is a common species, but population trends are unknown.

Current Population Trend: Unknown

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

A species found in the Chaco: dry forest habitats and rocky hills (Carvalho 2013, Pelegrin and Bucher 2012, N. Pelegrin and F. Kacoliris pers. comm. 2014), that shows a habitat plasticity with arboreal and saxicolous habits (Abdala *et al.* 2012, Pelegrin and Bucher 2012, N. Pelegrin and F. Kacoliris pers. comm. 2014)

Systems: Terrestrial

Use and Trade

This species is not utilized or traded.

Threats

In Argentina is threatened by habitat loss due to agricultural expansion (Abdala *et al.* 2012); but on a range-wide scale no major threats are known.

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

There are no known species-specific conservation measures in place for this species. It is found in protected areas throughout its range. Classified as Vulnerable in Argentina because of habitat loss due to agricultural expansion (Abdala *et al.* 2012), and as Least Concern in Paraguay (Motte *et al.* 2009).

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Appendix

Habitats

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

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
1. Forest -> 1.5. Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Dry	-	Suitable	-
0. Root -> 6. Rocky areas (eg. inland cliffs, mountain peaks)	-	Suitable	-

Conservation Actions in Place

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

Conservation Actions in Place
In-Place Land/Water Protection and Management
Occur in at least one PA: Yes

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