

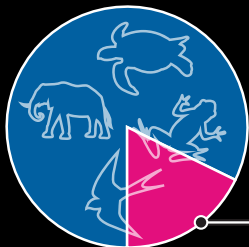
# Wildlife trade driving species extinction

At least one in five vertebrate species on Earth is bought and sold on the wildlife market, according to a new study, the trade for which is 40-60% higher than previously estimated

High demand for wildlife products and pets has driven birds like **Bali Myna** to brink of extinction



**TOTAL VERTEBRATES**  
31,745 species



**18%**

5,579  
species  
traded

Study predicts that  
future trade will affect  
up to 3,196 additional species

## BIRDS

10,278 species



**23%**

2,345

## MAMMALS

5,420 species



**27%**

1,441

## REPTILES

9,563 species



**12%**

1,184

## AMPHIBIANS

6,484 species

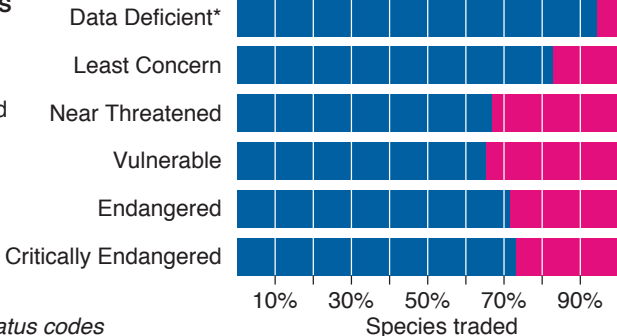


**9%**

609

## THREAT STATUS

Traded animals are in higher categories of threat compared with non-traded species, confirming wildlife trade as driver of extinction



\*IUCN threat status codes