

Northern Pine Snake

Status	# of People	Confidence Level
E		
T	14	6.4
SC	1	6.0
S		
U		
NO	1	
NA		

Your New Status	Your New Confidence Level
Consensus Reached for Status T	

Comments:

- ❖ Seems to be making a comeback in some areas of the Pine Barrens but absent from others...still needs protection. (t)
- ❖ Wide distribution. Probably suffers from collecting, road kill & habitat destruction - home building. (t)
- ❖ Coming into the pines in the 1950's & 1960's saw many road kills. See very few road kills in recent years. This is cause for concern about recruitment to off set road kills. I still see the same number of Pine Snakes along the railroad right-of-way from Chatsworth to west of High Crossing. (t)
- ❖ Peripheral habitat areas, e.g. east of G.S. Parkway continue to be lost. Species seems secure in core of Pinelands. Much of population on state and federal (military) lands. Continued threat from collecting and isolation of population are main reasons to continue listing as "T". (t)
- ❖ Somewhat limited distribution, frequent road mortality, and collecting pressure warrant threatened status. Although many populations are in protected Pinelands areas, some records appear to overlap with Pinelands areas that are zoned for development. (t)
- ❖ Road mortality continues to kill these snakes. Habitat loss and disturbance goes on all over the edge of the Pine Barrens. Coyotes, foxes, and skunk dig-up and eat their eggs and hatchlings. It should remain as a "T" species. (t)
- ❖ It appears to still be fairly common. Its habitat in NJ is widespread and in good shape. Probably still collected illegally (like many other herps). (sc)