



PUMA



QUICK FACTS

Scientific Name: Puma concolor

Population: ~50,000 (estimated)

Lifespan: 10-13 years (wild), up to 20 years (captivity)

Size: 1.2-2 m long (3.9-6.6 ft), 53-100 kg (117-220 lb)

Weight: 53-100 kg (117-220 lb)

Speed: Up to 80 km/h (50 mph)



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Color:** Tan to grayish
- **Sensory Adaptations:** Excellent vision, hearing
- **Limb & Tail Functionality:** Powerful legs, long tail

FUN FACT !

Largest small cat



IUCN Red list category
Least Concern

HABITAT & DISTRIBUTION



Range: Canada to South America

Preferred Habitat: Forests, mountains, deserts

Elevation Range: 0-5,500 m (0-18,045 ft)





DIET & NUTRITION

Primary Diet: Deer, elk, small mammals

Foraging Method: Ambush predator

Adaptations: Strong leap, silent movement



UNIQUE ADAPTATIONS

Leap: Up to 15 meters

Purring: Cannot roar

Survival Score:

Strength: 7/10,

Stealth: 8/10

Adaptability: 9/10



REPRODUCTION & LIFE CYCLE

Mating Season: Year-round

Gestation: 90-96 days

Clutch Size: 1-6 cubs

Parental Care: Mother raises cubs 1-2 years



ECOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE

Role: Prey regulation, ecosystem balance

Indicator Species: Presence indicates habitat diversity

Cultural Significance: Symbol of stealth

THREATS

Habitat loss, hunting, vehicle strikes



CONSERVATION EFFORTS

Protected areas, corridors



Call to Action: Protect habitats, stop hunting, spread awareness

INTERESTING FACTS

Largest cat in Americas

Vocalizes with screams

Solitary hunter

