

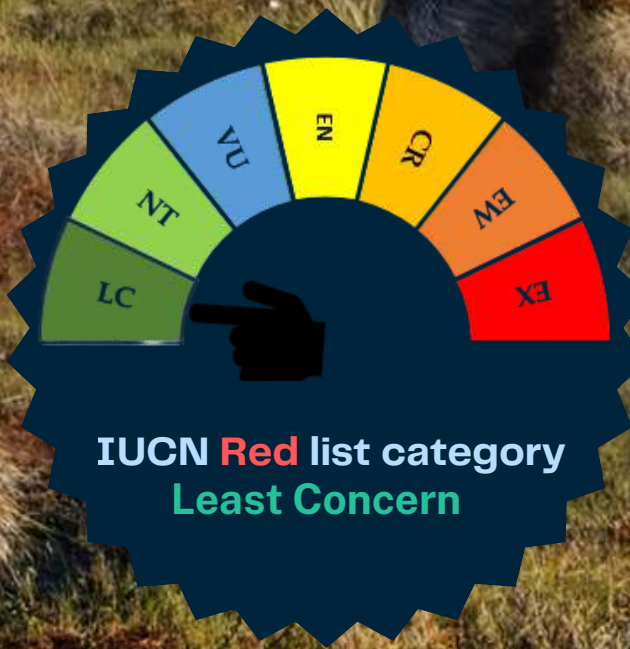


AMERICAN BLACK BEAR



QUICK FACTS

- Scientific Name:** Ursus americanus
Population: ~900,000 (estimated)
Lifespan: 15-20 years (wild), up to 30 years (captivity)
Size: 1.2-2 m long (4-6.6 ft), 45-400 kg (100-880 lb)
Weight: 45-400 kg (100-880 lb)
Speed: Up to 48 km/h (30 mph)



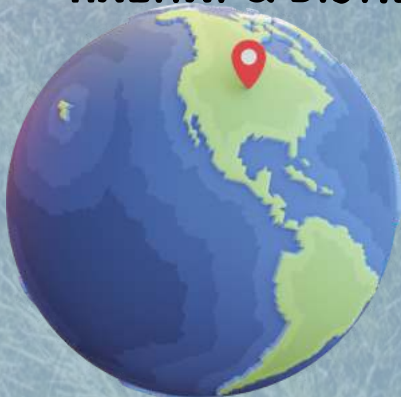
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PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Color:** Black, brown, or blonde
- **Sensory Adaptations:** Keen smell, hearing
- **Limb & Tail Functionality:** Strong legs, short tail

FUN FACT !
Good climbers

HABITAT & DISTRIBUTION



Range: North America
Preferred Habitat: Forests, swamps, mountains
Elevation Range: 0-3,000m (0-9,842 ft)





DIET & NUTRITION

Primary Diet: Berries, nuts, insects

Foraging Method: Forages on ground or trees

Adaptations: Climbing ability, hibernation

UNIQUE ADAPTATIONS

Climbing: Escapes danger

Hibernation: Minimal in some areas

Survival Score:

Strength: 7/10

Stealth: 6/10

Adaptability: 9/10



REPRODUCTION & LIFE CYCLE

Mating Season: June-July

Gestation: 195-205 days (delayed)

Clutch Size: 1-6 cubs

Parental Care: Mother raises cubs 1.5-2 years



ECOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE

Role: Seed dispersal, forest health

Indicator Species: Presence indicates forest diversity

Cultural Significance: Symbol of wilderness

THREATS

Habitat loss, vehicle collisions



CONSERVATION EFFORTS

Protected areas, corridors



Call to Action: Protect forests, reduce roads, spread awareness

INTERESTING FACTS

Color varies widely

Hibernates lightly

Swims well

