

# Endangered animals

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This task is about endangered and extinct animals.

Many animals and plants in the world are finding that their homes are disappearing.  
In New Zealand there are many birds and some animals,  
e.g., reptiles, insects which are either rare, endangered, or extinct.

a) Explain the meaning of these words:

i) Endangered

ii) Extinct

b) The numbers of any one type of animal can decrease for many reasons.  
Name two animals and explain why their numbers have decreased.  
An example has been done for you.

**Animal**

**Why these Animal numbers have decreased**

Southern Right Whale

Hunted by humans for oil and meat.