Family **Lacertidae**

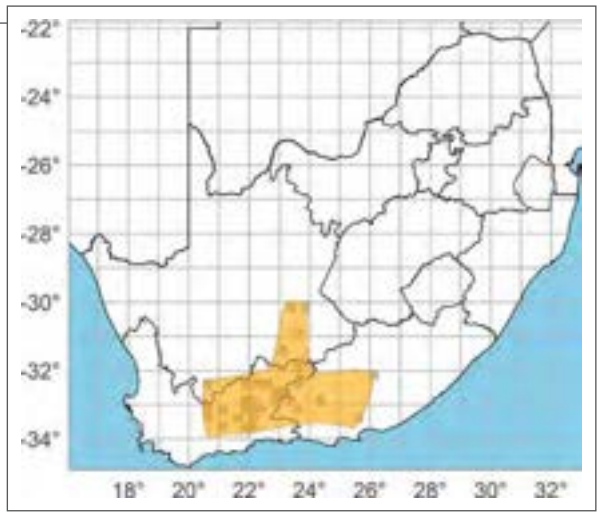
Nucras livida (Smith, 1838)

Karoo Sandveld Lizard

South African endemic

LC – Least Concern (Global)

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Previous Red List categories:
2018: Least Concern (Global IUCN assessment).
2017: Least Concern (Global IUCN assessment).
2014: Least Concern (SARCA).

Assessment rationale: Widespread and common with no significant threats.

Taxonomic notes: Records from the west coast of South Africa previously assigned to this taxon have been reassigned to *N. tessellata* (Conradie et al. 2020), and thus there are no outstanding taxonomic issues. *Other important names*: none.

Distribution: This widespread species occurs in southern South Africa, from the Cape Fold Mountains and the Great Karoo, along the Great Escarpment and into the high-elevation mountains of the Eastern Cape province. *EOO*: 190 000 km²; *Distribution*: 113 000 km².

Country of occurrence: South Africa.

Habitat and ecology: Associated with well-vegetated Karroid Vegetation on sandy flats and in mountainous terrain (Branch 1998). *Habitat*: Shrubland.

Threats: There are no notable threats to this species.

Population trend: This species is widespread across a region that has little habitat alteration. It is therefore not considered to be in decline.

Conservation and research recommendations: No recommendations.

Nucras livida, Karoo National Park, Western Cape province (© W. Conradie).

