Darevskia chlorogaster, Green-bellied Lizard

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Taxonomy

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Taxon Name:  *Darevskia chlorogaster* (Boulenger, 1908)

Synonym(s):
- *Lacerta boettgeri*
- *Lacerta chlorogaster*

Common Name(s):
- English:  Green-bellied Lizard
- French:    Lezard de Perse Ventre

Assessment Information

Red List Category & Criteria:  Least Concern [ver 3.1](http://dx.doi.org/10.2305/IUCN.UK.2009.RLTS.T164702A5919117.en)

Year Published:  2009

Date Assessed:  December 14, 2008

Justification:
Listed as Least Concern in view of its wide distribution, presumed large population, and because it is unlikely to be declining fast enough to qualify for listing in a more threatened category.

Geographic Range

Range Description:
This species is distributed along the southern and southeastern coasts of the Caspian Sea in Iran and Azerbaijan, ranging as far east as the Atrak River of northern Khorasan (Anderson, 1999). It is found from slightly below sea level to up to around 1,500m asl (Anderson, 1999).

Country Occurrence:
Native:  Azerbaijan; Iran, Islamic Republic of
**Darevskia chlorogaster**

**Range**
- Extant (resident)

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Population
It is common to abundant over most of its range.
Current Population Trend: Decreasing

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)
This temperate forest species (including Hyrcanian mixed deciduous forest), can be encountered climbing on tree trunks and walls, in heaps of brushwood, or among the grass of the forest floor. The females lay a clutch of three to ten eggs.

Systems: Terrestrial

Threats (see Appendix for additional information)
In some areas the species is locally threatened by deforestation.

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)
This species has been recorded from a number of protected areas, including Golestan National Park (Iran).

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Habitats
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Threats
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<td>5. Biological resource use -&gt; 5.3. Logging &amp; wood harvesting -&gt; 5.3.5. Motivation Unknown/Unrecorded</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
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| Stresses: 1. Ecosystem stresses -> 1.2. Ecosystem degradation |

Conservation Actions in Place
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Conservation Actions in Place

In-Place Land/Water Protection and Management

Conservation sites identified: Yes, over entire range

Conservation Actions Needed
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Conservation Actions Needed

2. Land/water management -> 2.1. Site/area management

Research Needed
(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Research Needed

1. Research -> 1.1. Taxonomy

1. Research -> 1.2. Population size, distribution & trends

1. Research -> 1.3. Life history & ecology

1. Research -> 1.5. Threats

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## Additional Data Fields

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