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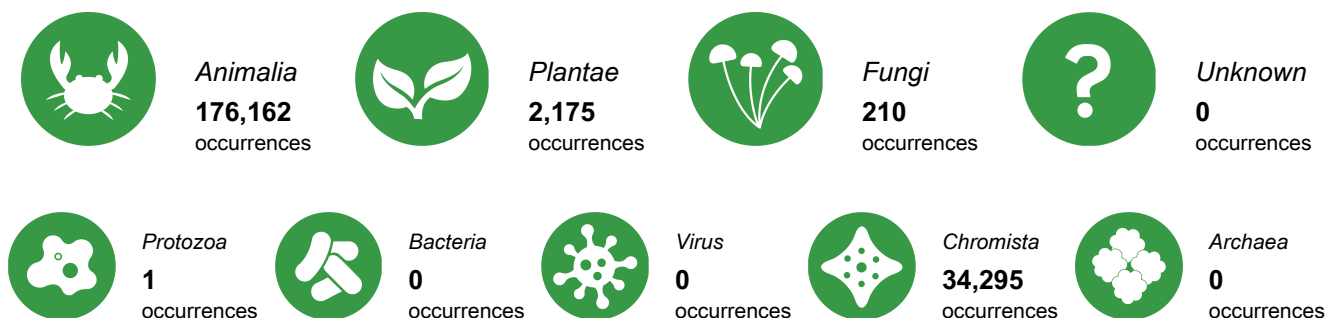
Heard Island and McDonald Islands

This report provides a series of summary charts, statistics and other details about the mobilization and use of open-access species data through the GBIF network, relating to users and participating institutions in Heard Island and McDonald Islands. These metrics show status at the time of report generation, unless otherwise noted. Taken together, the elements of this report can help guide and measure progress toward the information needs for biodiversity research, as well as for national commitments on biodiversity and sustainable development.

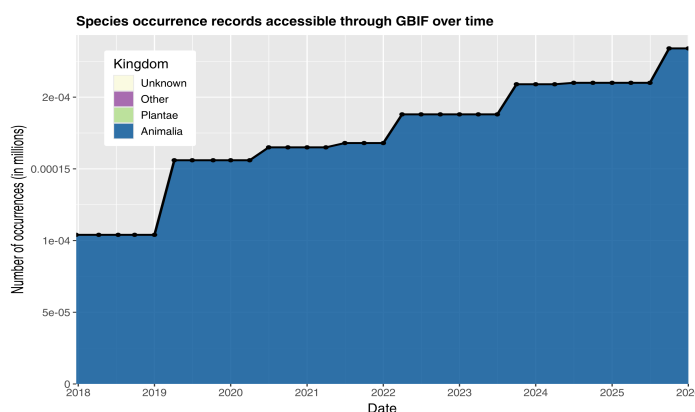
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► Data availability in Heard Island and McDonald Islands



► Data mobilization

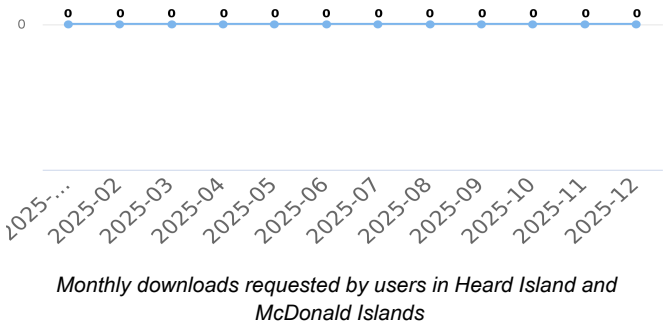
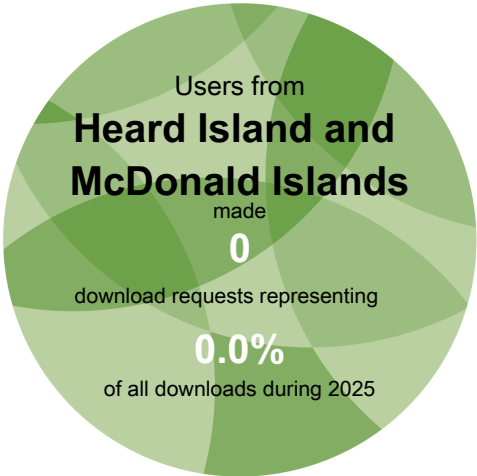


Number of records published by institutions in Heard Island and McDonald Islands, categorized by kingdom



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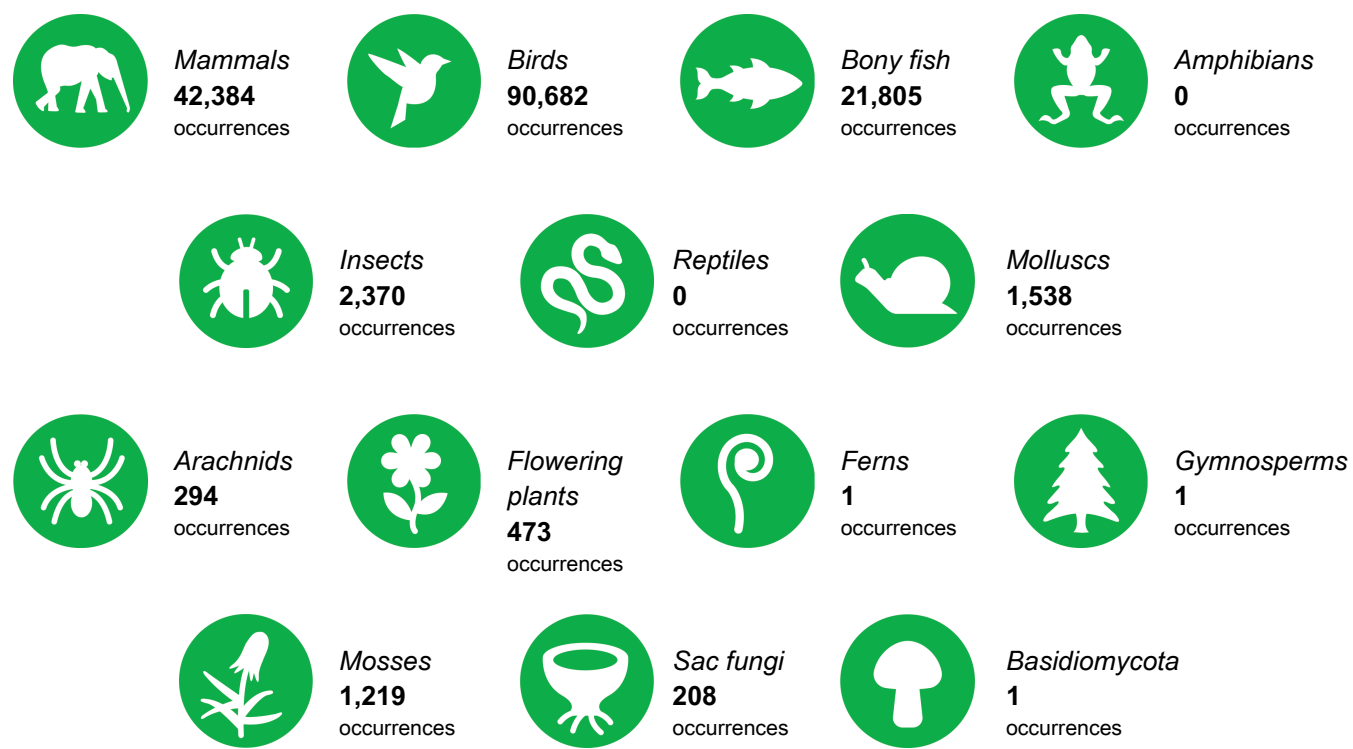
Data downloads on GBIF.org from users in Heard Island and McDonald Islands





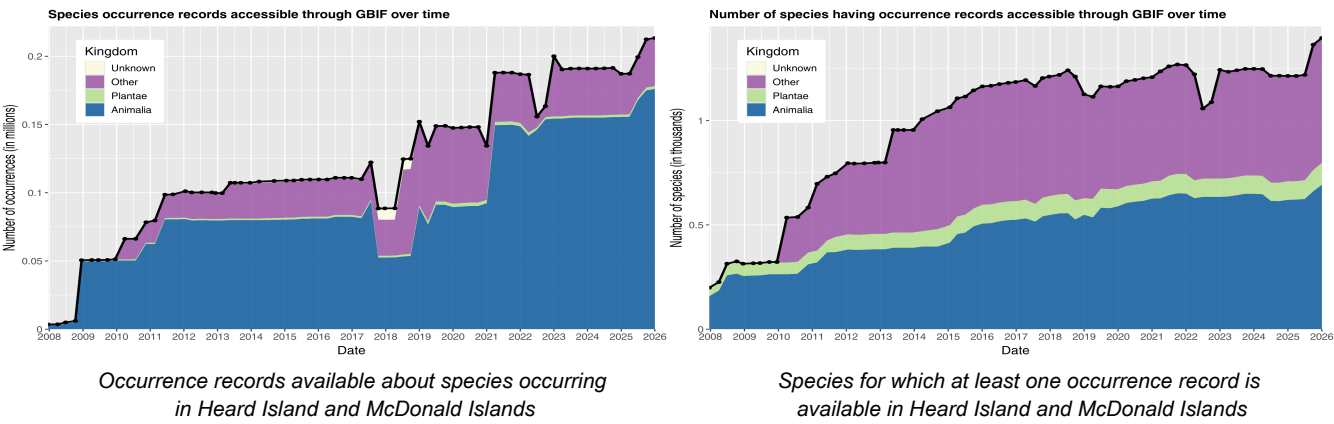
Data availability

Total data available for selected taxonomic groups in Heard Island and McDonald Islands



Mammals = Class <i>Mammalia</i> Birds = Class <i>Aves</i> Bony fish = Superclass <i>Osteichthyes</i> p.p. Amphibians = Class <i>Amphibia</i>	Insects = Class <i>Insecta</i> Reptiles = Class <i>Testudines</i> , <i>Sphenodontia</i> , <i>Squamata</i> & <i>Crocodylia</i> Molluscs = Phylum <i>Mollusca</i>	Arachnids = Class <i>Arachnida</i> Flowering plants = Phylum <i>Magnoliophyta</i> Gymnosperms = Superclass <i>Gymnospermae</i>	Ferns = Phylum <i>Pteridophyta</i> Mosses = Phylum <i>Bryophyta</i> Sac fungi = Phylum <i>Ascomycota</i> Basidiomycota = Phylum <i>Basidiomycota</i>
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Change over time in records about biodiversity in Heard Island and McDonald Islands



WHY MIGHT THE AMOUNT OF MOBILIZED DATA DECREASE?

Datasets are sometimes removed by publishers, but more often decreases in the number of records are due to the removal of duplicate records and datasets.

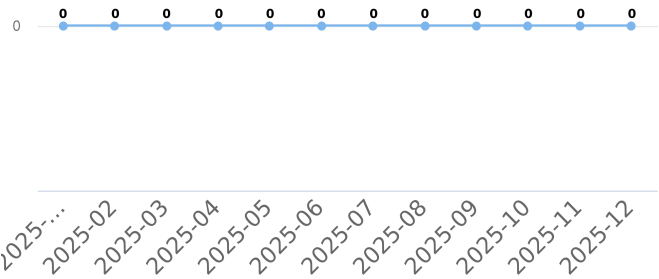
SPECIES COUNTS represent the number of binomial scientific names for which GBIF has received data records, organized as far as possible using synonyms recorded in key databases like the Catalogue of Life



Newest publishers from Heard Island and McDonald Islands

No data available

Occurrence records downloaded from GBIF.org, published by institutions in Heard Island and McDonald Islands

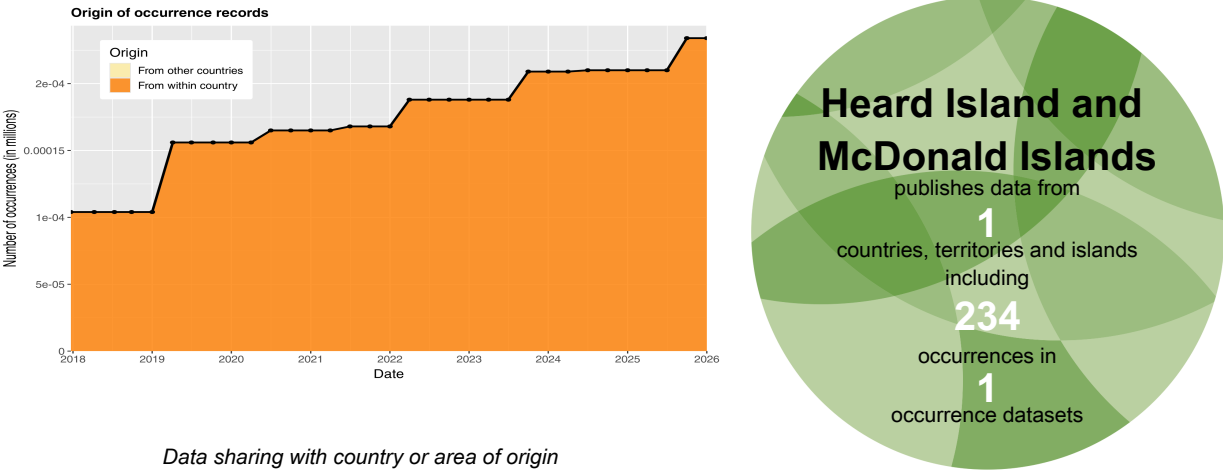


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Number of occurrence records downloaded via GBIF.org published by institutions in Heard Island and McDonald Islands



Data mobilization
Data sharing with country or area of origin by national institutions in Heard Island and McDonald Islands



Data sharing with country or area of origin

The chart above shows the number of records shared over time by publishers within Heard Island and McDonald Islands, with separate colours for records about species occurring within undefined and those occurring elsewhere.

Top data contributors about biodiversity in Heard Island and McDonald Islands

Rank	Country or area	No. of occurrences
1	Australia	109,592
2	United Kingdom	66,342
3	Germany	30,207
4	Belgium	5,548
5	United States of America	434
6	International organization or unknown country	336
7	Heard Island and McDonald Islands	234
8	Switzerland	135
9	Antarctica	118
10	France	102

Table 1. Ranking of countries or areas contributing data about Heard Island and McDonald Islands

Top datasets contributing data about Heard Island and McDonald Islands

- The Retrospective Analysis of Antarctic Tracking (Standardised) Data from the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research. *57,175 occurrences in Heard Island and McDonald Islands.* (Last updated 17 Dec 2025)
- ARGOS Satellite Tracking of animals. *41,212 occurrences in Heard Island and McDonald Islands.* (Last updated 17 Dec 2025)
- Pelagic Fish Observations 1968-1999. *13,905 occurrences in Heard Island and McDonald Islands.* (Last updated 10 Jul 2025)
- Seabirds of the Southern and South Indian Ocean. *12,102 occurrences in Heard Island and McDonald Islands.* (Last updated 10 Jul 2025)
- Popup satellite archival tag (PSAT) time series of 24 Kerguelen sandpaper skates (*Bathyraja irrasa*) caught around Heard Island, Southern Ocean (2023). *11,861 occurrences in Heard Island and McDonald Islands.* (Last updated 17 Dec 2025)