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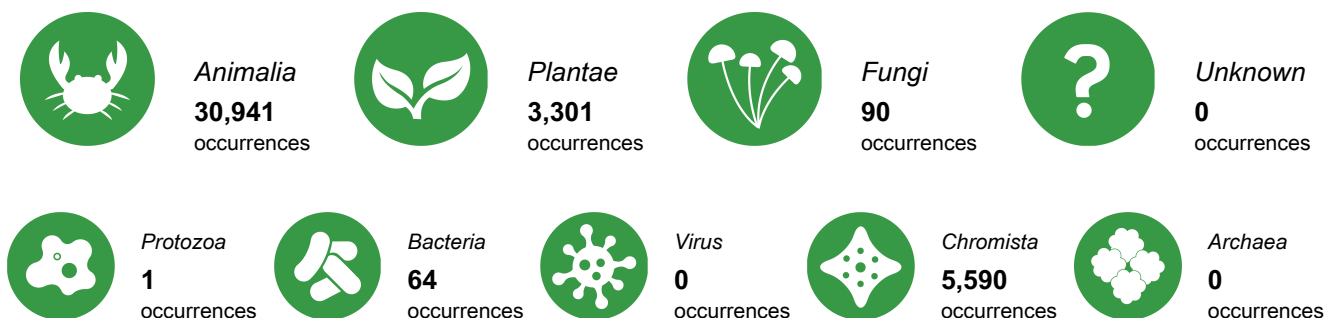
British Indian Ocean Territory

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 British Indian Ocean Territory. 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.

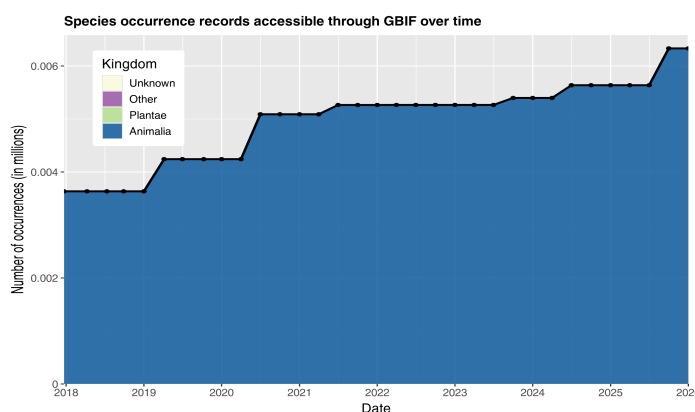
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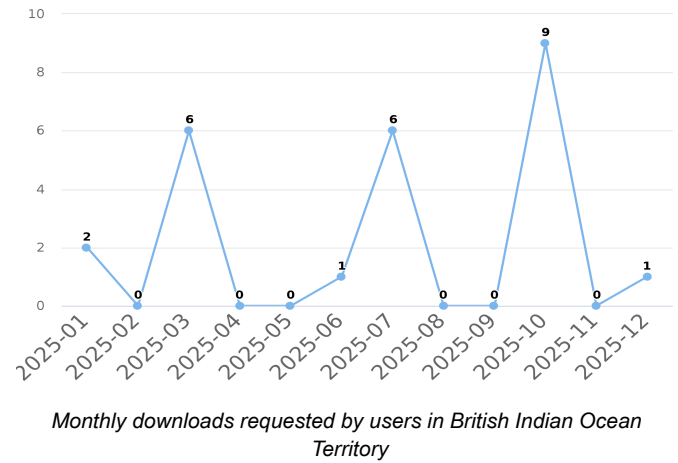
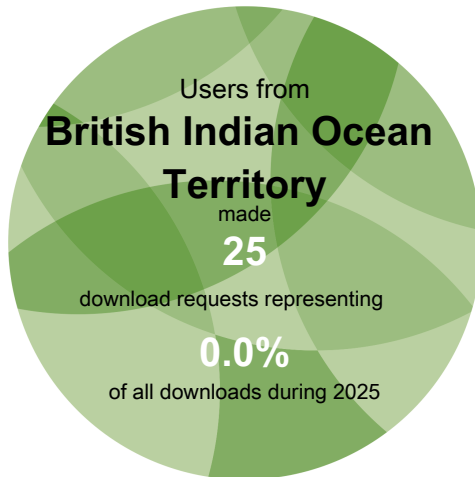


Number of records published by institutions in British Indian Ocean Territory, categorized by kingdom



Access and usage

Data downloads on GBIF.org from users in British Indian Ocean Territory





Data availability

Total data available for selected taxonomic groups in British Indian Ocean Territory



Mammals
47
occurrences



Birds
6,707
occurrences



Bony fish
9,058
occurrences



Amphibians
31
occurrences



Insects
1,072
occurrences



Reptiles
314
occurrences



Molluscs
2,687
occurrences



Arachnids
55
occurrences



Flowering plants
2,508
occurrences



Ferns
206
occurrences



Gymnosperms
7
occurrences



Mosses
36
occurrences



Sac fungi
65
occurrences



Basidiomycota
23
occurrences

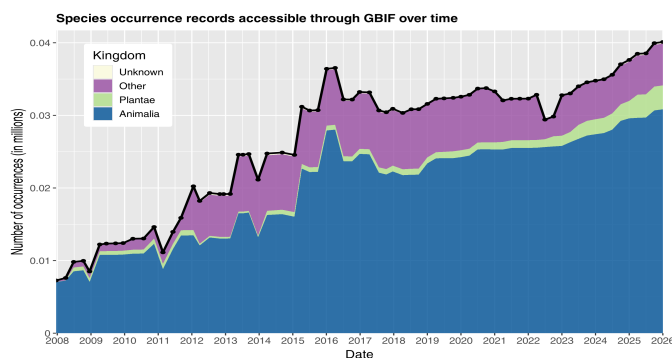
Mammals = Class *Mammalia*
Birds = Class *Aves*
Bony fish = Superclass
Osteichthyes p.p.
Amphibians = Class *Amphibia*

Insects = Class *Insecta*
Reptiles = Class *Testudines*,
Sphenodontia, *Squamata* &
Crocodylia
Molluscs = Phylum *Mollusca*

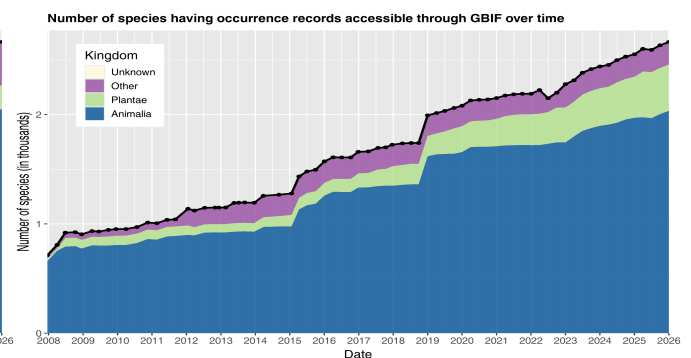
Arachnids = Class *Arachnida*
Flowering plants = Phylum
Magnoliophyta
Gymnosperms = Superclass
Gymnospermae

Ferns = Phylum *Pteridophyta*
Mosses = Phylum *Bryophyta*
Sac fungi = Phylum *Ascomycota*
Basidiomycota = Phylum
Basidiomycota

Change over time in records about biodiversity in British Indian Ocean Territory



Occurrence records available about species occurring in British Indian Ocean Territory



Species for which at least one occurrence record is available in British Indian Ocean Territory

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.

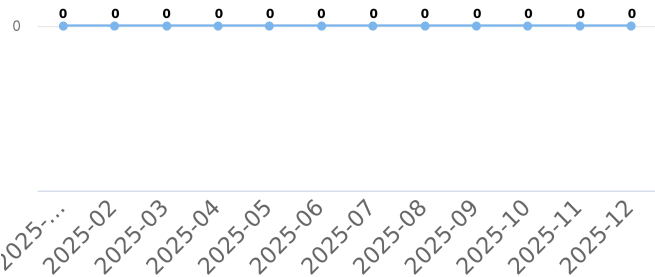
SPECIES COUNTS represent the number of binomial scientific names for which GBIF has received data records, organized as far as possible using synonyms recorded in key databases like the Catalogue of Life



Newest publishers from British Indian Ocean Territory

No data available

Occurrence records downloaded from GBIF.org, published by institutions in British Indian Ocean Territory



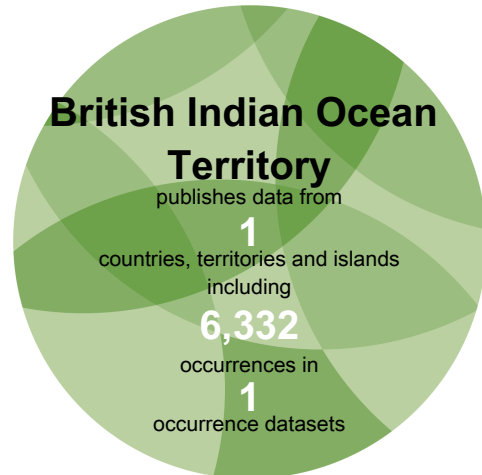
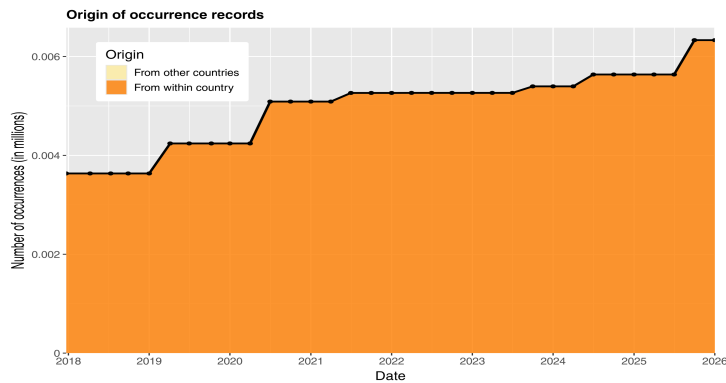
See all publishers from this country or area
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Number of occurrence records downloaded via GBIF.org published by institutions in British Indian Ocean Territory



Data mobilization

Data sharing with country or area of origin by national institutions in British Indian Ocean Territory



Data sharing with country or area of origin

The chart above shows the number of records shared over time by publishers within British Indian Ocean Territory, with separate colours for records about species occurring within undefined and those occurring elsewhere.

Top data contributors about biodiversity in British Indian Ocean Territory

Rank	Country or area	No. of occurrences
1	United States of America	9,514
2	United Kingdom	8,062
3	British Indian Ocean Territory	6,332
4	Germany	5,286
5	France	4,361
6	Canada	3,123
7	International organization or unknown country	1,350
8	Belgium	805
9	Australia	608
10	Venezuela	238

Table 1. Ranking of countries or areas contributing data about British Indian Ocean Territory

Top datasets contributing data about British Indian Ocean Territory

Natural History Museum (London) Collection Specimens. 6,750 occurrences in British Indian Ocean Territory. (Last updated 14 Oct 2025)

EOD – eBird Observation Dataset. 6,332 occurrences in British Indian Ocean Territory. (Last updated 29 Oct 2025)

NMNH Extant Specimen Records (USNM, US). 3,013 occurrences in British Indian Ocean Territory. (Last updated 2 Jan 2026)

Royal Ontario Museum - Ichthyology. 2,932 occurrences in British Indian Ocean Territory. (Last updated 10 Jul 2025)

iNaturalist Research-grade Observations. 2,823 occurrences in British Indian Ocean Territory. (Last updated 31 Dec 2025)

See all contributing countries and areas or datasets: gbif.org/country/IO/about