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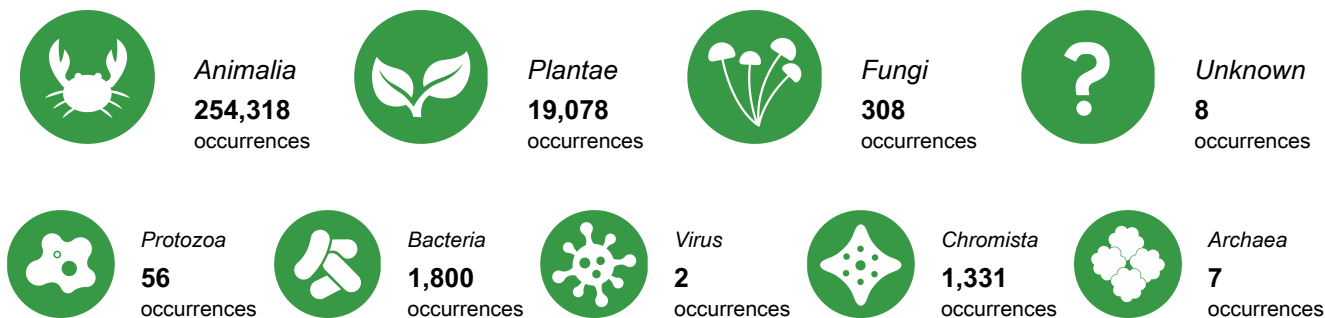
Palau

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 Palau. 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.

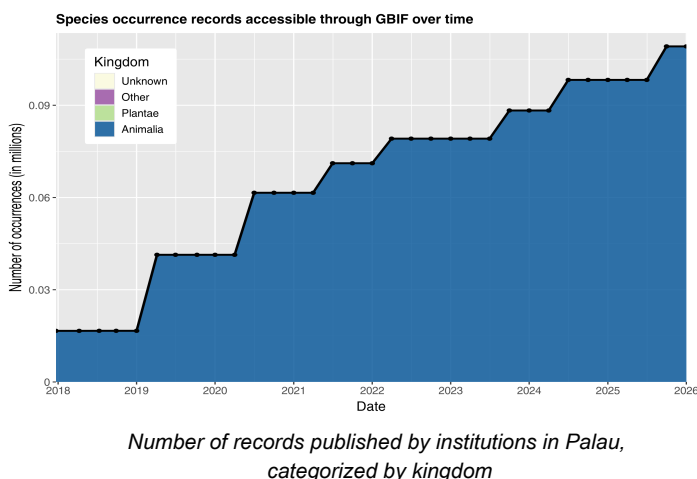
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► Data availability in Palau



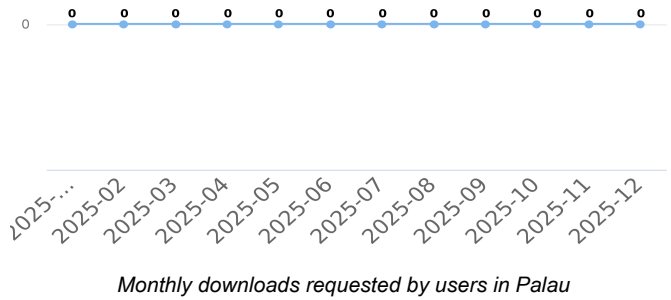
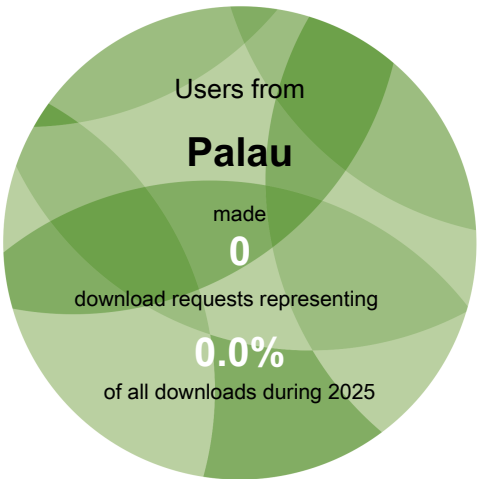
► Data mobilization





Access and usage

Data downloads on GBIF.org from users in Palau



Recent peer-reviewed articles using GBIF-mediated data by co-authors based in Palau

The GBIF Secretariat maintains and reports on an ongoing literature tracking programme, giving priority to substantive uses of GBIF-mediated data in peer-reviewed literature while identifying the countries or areas of the authors' institutional affiliations. The citations below represent the five most recent journal articles with at least one co-author from Palau.

Those interested in assisting the Secretariat in identifying additional peer-reviewed uses of GBIF-mediated data may forward relevant citations to comms@gbif.org.

McKenzie, Yoshida, Aini *et al.* (2021) Seagrass ecosystems of the Pacific Island Countries and Territories: A global bright spot. *Marine Pollution Bulletin*.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.marpolbul.2021.112308>

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Data availability

Total data available for selected taxonomic groups in Palau



Mammals
589
occurrences



Birds
112,372
occurrences



Bony fish
42,641
occurrences



Amphibians
1,906
occurrences



Insects
10,881
occurrences



Reptiles
11,418
occurrences



Molluscs
25,533
occurrences



Arachnids
535
occurrences



Flowering plants
14,928
occurrences



Ferns
1,809
occurrences



Gymnosperms
36
occurrences



Mosses
504
occurrences



Sac fungi
188
occurrences



Basidiomycota
98
occurrences

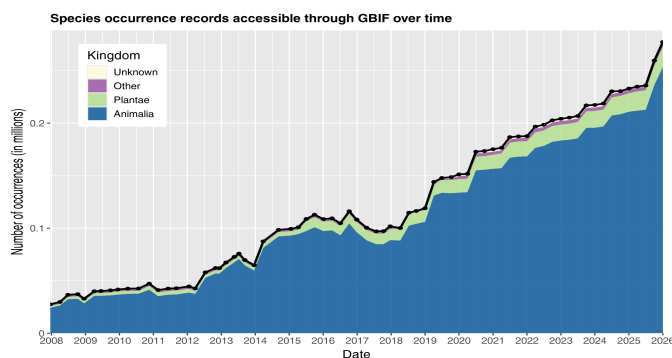
Mammals = Class *Mammalia*
Birds = Class *Aves*
Bony fish = Superclass
Osteichthyes p.p.
Amphibians = Class *Amphibia*

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

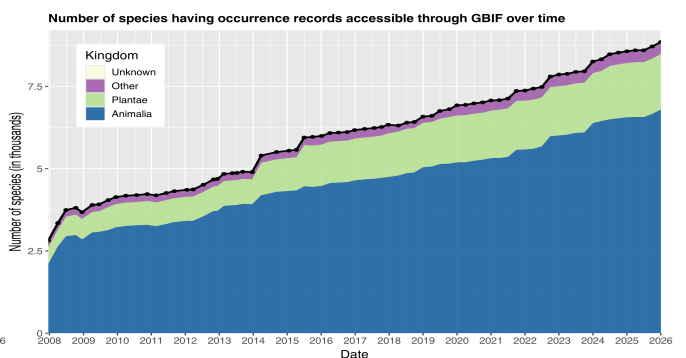
Arachnids = Class *Arachnida*
Flowering plants = Phylum
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Gymnosperms = Superclass
Gymnospermae

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

Change over time in records about biodiversity in Palau



Occurrence records available about species occurring in Palau



Species for which at least one occurrence record is available in Palau

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



Most recent datasets from publishers in Palau

Palau Invasives. *Published by Palau Conservation Society*
<https://doi.org/10.15468/jzbhiq>

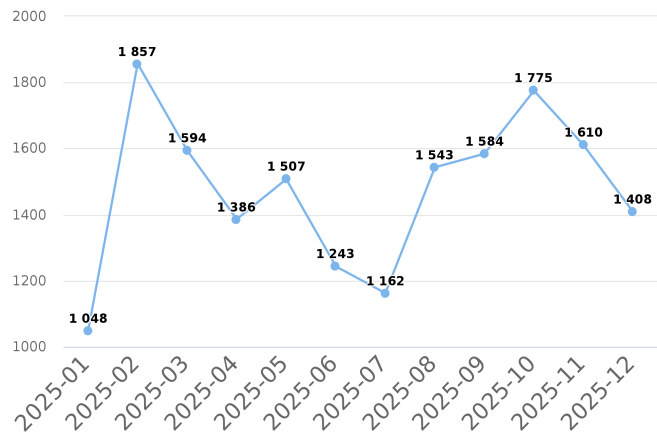
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Newest publishers from Palau

Palau Conservation Society

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Occurrence records downloaded from GBIF.org, published by institutions in Palau

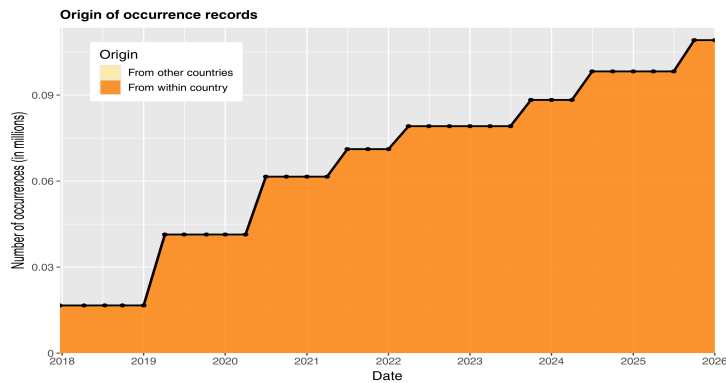


Number of occurrence records downloaded via GBIF.org published by institutions in Palau

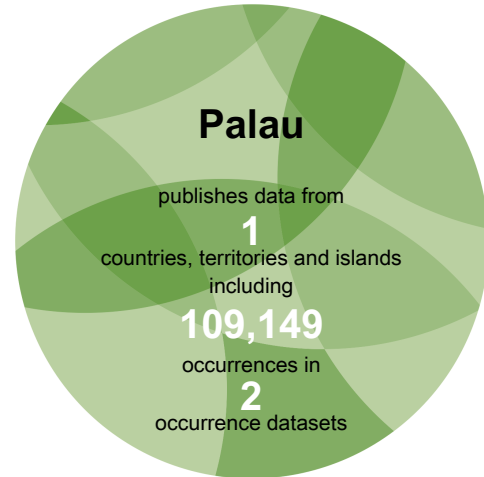


Data mobilization

Data sharing with country or area of origin by national institutions in Palau



Data sharing with country or area of origin



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

Top data contributors about biodiversity in Palau

Rank	Country or area	No. of occurrences
1	United States of America	123,537
2	Palau	109,149
3	New Caledonia	13,925
4	Japan	8,923
5	Canada	5,616
6	United Kingdom	4,272
7	Australia	3,926
8	International organization or unknown country	1,707
9	Netherlands	1,559
10	New Zealand	1,046

Table 1. Ranking of countries or areas contributing data about Palau

Top datasets contributing data about Palau

EOD – eBird Observation Dataset. 109,133 occurrences in Palau. (Last updated 29 Oct 2025)

NOAA Deep-Sea Coral Research and Technology Program. 26,759 occurrences in Palau. (Last updated 18 Oct 2025)

NMNH Extant Specimen Records (USNM, US). 18,536 occurrences in Palau. (Last updated 2 Jan 2026)

iNaturalist Research-grade Observations. 11,858 occurrences in Palau. (Last updated 31 Dec 2025)

CAS Ichthyology (ICH). 11,193 occurrences in Palau. (Last updated 29 Dec 2025)

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