




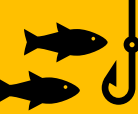


Loss of biodiversity in the UK

Reasons for a decline

	Climate change – weather patterns, flooding
	Less natural habitats - more towns and cities
	Less natural habitats - more intensive agriculture
	Pollution
	Non-native species, e.g. grey squirrels or Japanese knotweed
	Fishery practices

Consequences

↓ **animals**

↓ **plants**

↓ **fungi**

In the UK, 41% of wildlife species in decline and 15% risk of national extinction (Wildlife Trust, 2020)

Examples of species in decline



hedgehog



moths



toads

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