



The American Livestock

Breeds Conservancy

Conservation Priority Poultry Breeds 2009

Critical: Fewer than 500 breeding birds in the United States, with five or fewer primary breeding flocks (50 birds or more), and globally endangered.

Threatened: Fewer than 1,000 breeding birds in the United States, with seven or fewer primary breeding flocks, and globally endangered.

Watch: Fewer than 5,000 breeding birds in the United States, with ten or fewer primary breeding flocks, and globally endangered. Also included are breeds that present genetic or numerical concerns or have a limited geographic distribution.

Recovering: Breeds that were once listed in another category and have exceeded Watch category numbers but are still in need of monitoring.

Study: Breeds that are of genetic interest but either lack definition or lack genetic or historical documentation.

	Critical	Threatened	Watch	Recovering	Study
Chickens	Andalusian Aseel Buckeye Buttercup Campine Catalana Chantecler Crevecoeur Delaware Faverolle Holland Houdan La Fleche Malay Nankin Redcap Russian Orloff Spanish Sumatra	Ancona Cubalaya Dorking Java Lakenvelder Langshan Sussex	Brahma Cochin Cornish – Non-industrial Dominique Hamburg Jersey Giant Minorca New Hampshire Polish Rhode Island White Sebright	Australorp Leghorn – Non-industrial Orpington Plymouth Rock – Non-industrial Rhode Island Red – Non-industrial Wyandotte	Araucana ¹ Egyptian Fayoumis Iowa Blue Lamona Manx Rumpy or Persian Rumpless Modern Game Naked Neck or Turken Old English Game Phoenix Shamo Sultan Yokohama
Ducks	Ancona Aylesbury Magpie Saxony Silver Appleyard Welsh Harlequin	Buff or Orpington Cayuga	Campbell Rouen Runner or Indian Runner Swedish		Australian Spotted
Geese	American Buff Cotton Patch Pilgrim Pomeranian Roman Shetland	Sebastopol	African Chinese Toulouse		Gray
Turkeys²	Beltsville Small White Chocolate Jersey Buff Lavender/Lilac Midget White	Narragansett White Holland	Black Bourbon Red Standard Bronze Royal Palm Slate		Broad Breasted Bronze Naturally mating, non-standard varieties of turkeys

Breeds unique to North America are printed in bold.

¹Araucana and Ameraucanas are often confused with each other and may be sold interchangeably.

²“Heritage turkeys” is a phrase now popularly used to describe naturally mating, long-lived, slow-growing varieties of turkeys, most of which have standards defined by the American Poultry Association. All of the turkeys listed here, EXCEPT the Broad Breasted Bronze, may be called “heritage.”