



West Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*)

Table 1. Summary of reported data by country for extant manatee populations.

Trend: I=Possibly Increasing; S=Likely Stable; D=Probably Declining; U=Unknown due to data deficiency.

MinPop: Minimum Population Counts/Estimates based on best available data.

*Only two countries, Mexico and Belize, reported population estimates of ~1,000 or more animals. Prime manatee habitat (Chetumal Bay) is contiguous along the border between these countries, increasing the uncertainty related to these population estimates.

Country	Trend	MinPopEst
Bahamas	I	5
Belize	S/D	700
Brazil	S/D	200
Colombia	U/D	100
Costa Rica	D	30
Cuba	U/D	50
Dominican Republic	D	30
French Guiana	S	10
Guatemala	U	50
Guyana	D	25
Haiti	U	5
Honduras	S	50
Jamaica	U/D	25
Mexico	U	1,000
Nicaragua	D	71
Panama	U	10
Puerto Rico	S	128
Suriname	D	10
Trinidad & Tobago	D	25
Venezuela	D	25
Total (n=20)		~2,549