

# Mammals

## Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area



Mammals listed might possible seen at Goose Lake Prairie.

Common Names	Scientific Names	Habitat	Status
Badger	<i>Taxidea taxus</i>	Open plains farmland, sometimes edge of woods	Extinct to this area.
Beaver	<i>Castor canadensis</i>	Rivers, streams, marshes, lakes, ponds	Common.
Coyote	<i>Canis latrans</i>	In the West, open plains; in the East, bushy areas.	Common.
Deer Mouse	<i>Peromyscus maniculatus</i>	Prairies; grasslands; woodlands.	Common. Grasslands.
Eastern Mole "Common Mole"	<i>Scalopus aquaticus</i>	Open fields, waste areas, lawns, gardens and sometimes woods, in well-drained loose soil.	Common. Woodland.
Gray Fox	<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus</i>	Varied, but associated more with wooded and brushy habitats than are Red Foxes.	Common. Woodland.
House Mouse	<i>Mus musculus</i>	Buildings; areas with good ground cover, including cultivated fields.	Common.
Least Shrew	<i>Cryptotis pava</i>	Grassy or weedy fields, sometimes in marshy areas or wet woods.	Common. Grasslands.
Least Weasel	<i>Mustela nivalis</i>	Grassy and brushy fields, marsh areas.	Common. Grasslands.
Long Tailed Weasel	<i>Mustela frenata</i>	Varied; forested, brushy, and open areas, including farmland, preferably near water.	Common. Grasslands and Woodlands.
Masked Shrew	<i>Sorex cinereus</i>	Various; most common in moist field, bogs, marshes, moist or dry woods	Common. Marsh or Woodlands.
Meadow Vole "Field Mouse"	<i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i>	Lush grassy fields; also marshes, swamps, woodland glades, and mountaintops.	Common. Grasslands.
Mink	<i>Mustela vison</i>	Along rivers, creeks,. Lakes, ponds, marshes. Swim very well.	Common.
Opossum	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>	Open woods, brushy wastelands. Farmlands.	Common.

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Plains Pocket Gopher	<i>Geomys bursarius</i>	Prairie areas with sandy loam or loam soils; pastures; lawns, sometimes-plowed ground.	Not Common in this area.
Prairie Vole	<i>Microtus ocbrogaster</i>	Dry grass prairie or mixed grassy-weed situations	Common. Grasslands.
Raccoon	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	Various, but most common along wooded streams.	Common. Woodland.
Red Bat	<i>Lasiurus borealis</i>	Tree dwellers, caves or attics.	Common. Woodland.
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	Grasslands. Not in forests or dense woods	Common. Grasslands.
Short-tailed Shrew	<i>Blarina brevicauda</i>	Woods and wet areas in warmer and drier parts of range.	Common. Woodland.
Striped Skunk	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	Wooded and brushy areas.	Common. Woodland.
Thirteen-lined Ground Squirrel "Stripped Gopher"	<i>Spermophilus franklinii</i>	Dense grassy areas; hedges; brush borders.	Not seen. Grassland.
Thirteen-lined Ground Squirrel "Striped Gopher"	<i>Spermophilus tridecemlineatus</i>	Originally short grass prairies; now along roadsides, in yards, cemeteries, golf courses, wherever grass is kept mowed.	Common. Short grasslands.
Western Harvest Mouse	<i>Reithrodontomy megalotis</i>	Early-stage dry weedy or grassy areas.	Common.
White-footed Mouse "Wood Mouse:	<i>Peromyscus leucopus</i>	Wooded and brushy areas.	Common. Grassland or Woodland.
White-Tailed Deer	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	Farmlands, bushy areas, woods.	Common.
Woodchuck "Groundhog", "Marmot"	<i>Marmota monax</i>	Pastures, meadows, old fields, woods.	Common. Grasslands and Woodlands.

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