

America's Amazon

Alabama the Beautiful

10%

of the freshwater resources in the continental United States flow through or originate in Alabama.



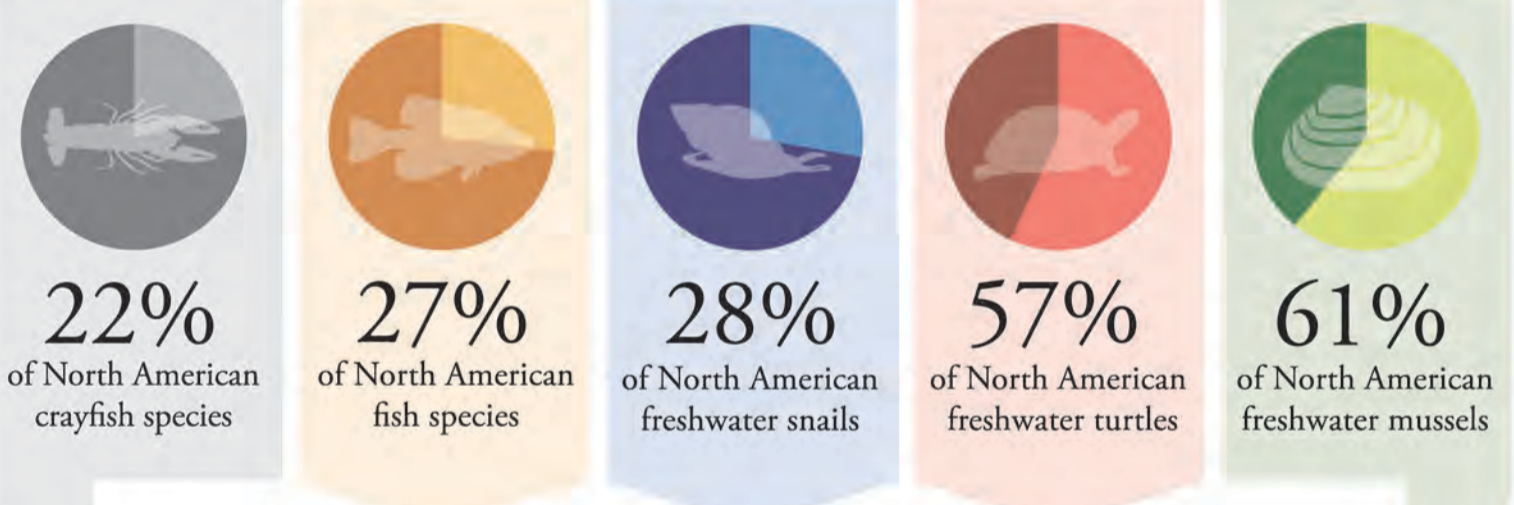
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river basins form the waterways of Alabama

There are more than **132,000*** miles of rivers and streams in Alabama. That's enough to circle the earth 5 times!

Top 5 States Freshwater Fish Biodiversity

Rank	State	# Species
1	Alabama	332*
2	Tennessee	320
3	Georgia	265
4	Kentucky	248
5	Mississippi	209



Native to Alabama

Alabama Ranks Number 1 in the U.S. for the number of freshwater crayfish, fish, snail, turtle and mussel species!



19% of the freshwater fish species in Alabama are at risk due to pollution and destruction of habitat.



Alabama Water Watch is a program in the Auburn University Water Resources Center, which receives support from the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station and the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

Get Involved!

Get certified as a water monitor and volunteer. Learn more at <http://alabamawaterwatch.org>

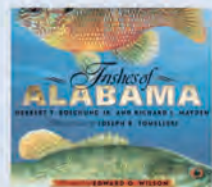
References:



Suggested Reading:

Fishes of Alabama
by Herbert T. Boshchung and Richard L. Mayden

Southern Wonder: Alabama's Surprising Biodiversity
By R. Scot Duncan



*Number of fish species and river/stream miles recently updated by GSA; river/stream miles updated using USGS National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) Best Resolution for Alabama (see <https://www.sciencebase.gov/catalog/item/56d68895e4b015c306f2717a>, or google 'nhd best resolution for AL' for details).