

Amphibians and reptiles in Norway - monitoring and research

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Norwegian amphibians and reptiles

Close to the northernmost
distribution limit in the world

Long winter (frost)

Short summer

Rainy

6 amphibian species

Smooth newt *Lissotriton vulgaris*

Great crested newt *Triturus cristatus*

Common frog *Rana temporaria*

Moor frog *Rana arvalis*

Pool frog *Pelophylax lessonae*

Common toad *Bufo bufo*

Edible frog *Pelophylax esculentus* (introduced)

Doorstep species: Natterjack toad *Epidalea calamita*

5 reptile species

Common Lizard *Zootoca vivipara*

Slow Worm *Anguis fragilis*

Common European Viper/Adder *Vipera berus*

Grass Snake *Natrix natrix*

Smooth Snake *Coronella austriaca*

Doorstep species: Sand Lizard *Lacerta agilis*

In addition, occasional visits of sea turtles:

Leatherback Sea Turtle *Dermochelys coriacea*

Loggerhead Sea Turtle *Caretta caretta*

Around Easter the Adders bask in the sun in southfacing slopes while the snow is still covering the landscape



The Adder can be found north of the Arctic Circle



Telemetry studies are going on in central Norway



The Grass Snake is common in southern parts
of Norway



Smooth Snake with dorsal stripe



The Common Lizard is widely distributed





The Slow Worm is common in southern parts of Norway



The Common Toad is widely distributed in southern Norway. More bound to the coast in central and northern parts



The common frog



The Moor Frog occurs in south and southeast Norway, and is probably easily overlooked





Pool frog from the critically endangered Agder-population



Pool frog from Agder



Pool frog and edible frog from Finnøy





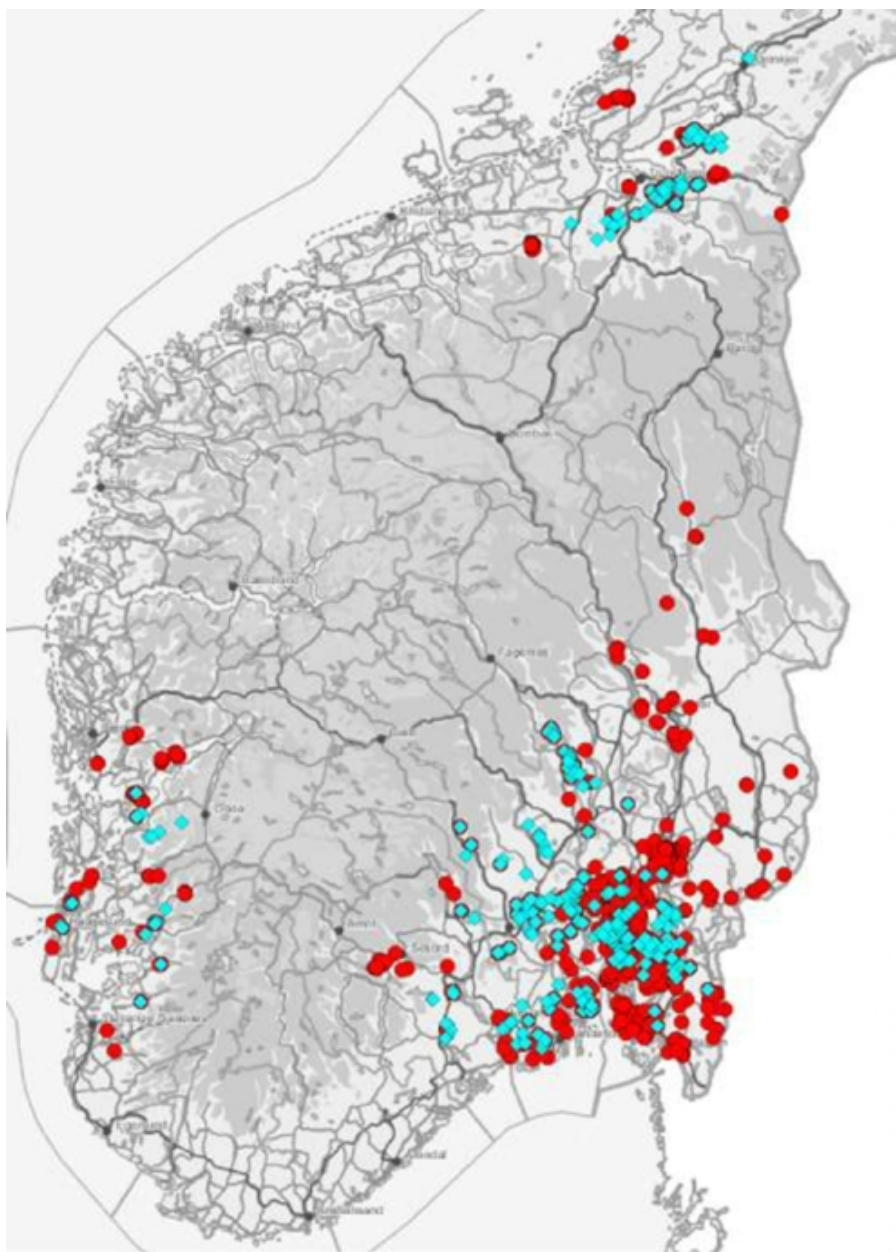
The Smooth Newt has been removed from
the Norwegian Red List































Norske amfibier og reptiler (Feltherpetologisk guide)

Dag Dolmen



Thanks for your attention!



