

# Bumblebees in decline

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The 1980 *Atlas* of bumblebees found widespread declines in UK bumblebee populations.

Over a third of bumblebee species have declined by 70%.

Two UK species have become extinct in the past 80 years, including the Short-haired bumblebee shown in the photograph.

7 bumblebees are now UK Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) species in an effort to save them.

# Why are bumblebees declining

Bumblebees are declining through loss of flower rich habitats.

98% of flower-rich grassland has been lost since the 1940s.

Agricultural changes to more intensive methods.

