

The City Nature Challenge is a global, city-scale urban biodiversity BioBlitz framed as a friendly competition between participating areas.



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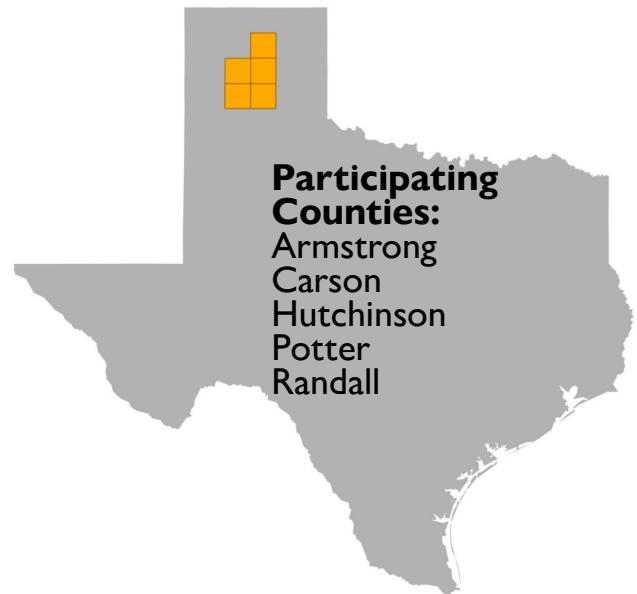
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**Data collection
Apr 25-28**

**Identifications
April 29-May 4**

By the numbers:

- 5 counties
- More than 1,820 observations
- More than 416 species recorded
- 49 observers
- More than 187 identifiers
- Over 97% of observations were verifiable

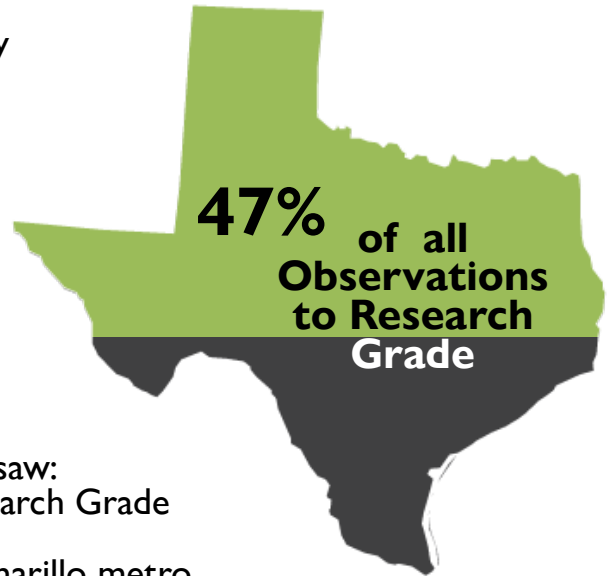


Amarillo Highlights

Globally, 669 cities from 62 countries participated in the 2025 City Nature Challenge. Amarillo ranked **#279 for Observations**, **#279 for Species**, and **#279 for Observers** globally, placing it in the top 40% for these categories.

Cumulative Impact

47% of the observations recorded during the City Nature Challenge in the Amarillo metro area were **Research Grade** - observations of wild organisms with photo or sound vouchers of a quality to merit a species-level identification by the majority of identifiers.



During the 4 days of the event, the Amarillo project saw:

- 8 Species of Greatest Conservation Need at Research Grade
- 31 new species records in iNaturalist
- 3% increase in iNaturalist observations for the Amarillo metro counties
- Project page: <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/2025-city-nature-challenge-amarillo-and-area>

Species of Greatest Conservation Need Recorded to Research Grade

Woodhouse's Toad, *Anaxyrus woodhousii*
Lark Bunting, *Calamospiza melanocorys*
Black-tailed Prairie Dog, *Cynomys ludovicianus*
Brewer's Blackbird, *Euphagus cyanocephalus*
Franklin's Gull, *Leucophaeus pipixcan*
Texas Horned Lizard, *Phrynosoma cornutum*
Common Grackle, *Quiscalus quiscula*
Ornate Box Turtle, *Terrapene ornata*



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