

Alaska Natural Heritage Program Conservation Status Report

Bombus neoboreus Sladen, 1919

Common Name: Active Bumble Bee

ELCODE: IIHYM24420	Taxonomic Serial No.: 714825
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Synonyms: *Alpinobombus neoboreus* Sladen, 1919; *Bombus strenuus* Cresson, 1863

Taxonomy Notes: The newly described (2016) species, *B. kluanensis*, is most similar to this species so all historical specimen records should be restudied to ascertain identity.

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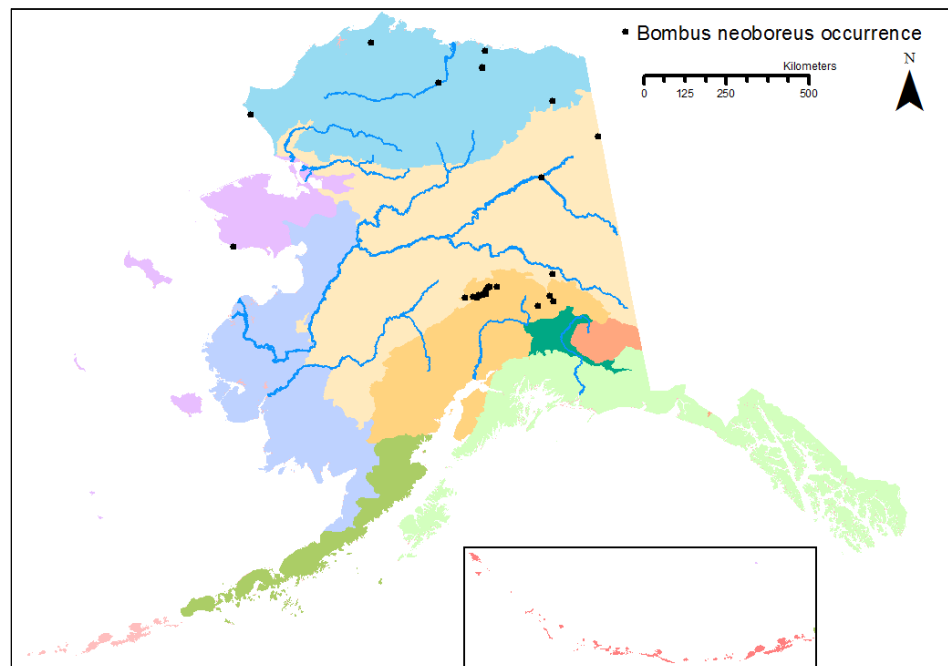
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Occurrences, Range

Number of Occurrences: 27; number of museum records: 51 (Canadian National Collection, U.C. Riverside, Illinois Natural History Survey, Univ. of Kansas, University of Alaska Museum Insect Collection.).

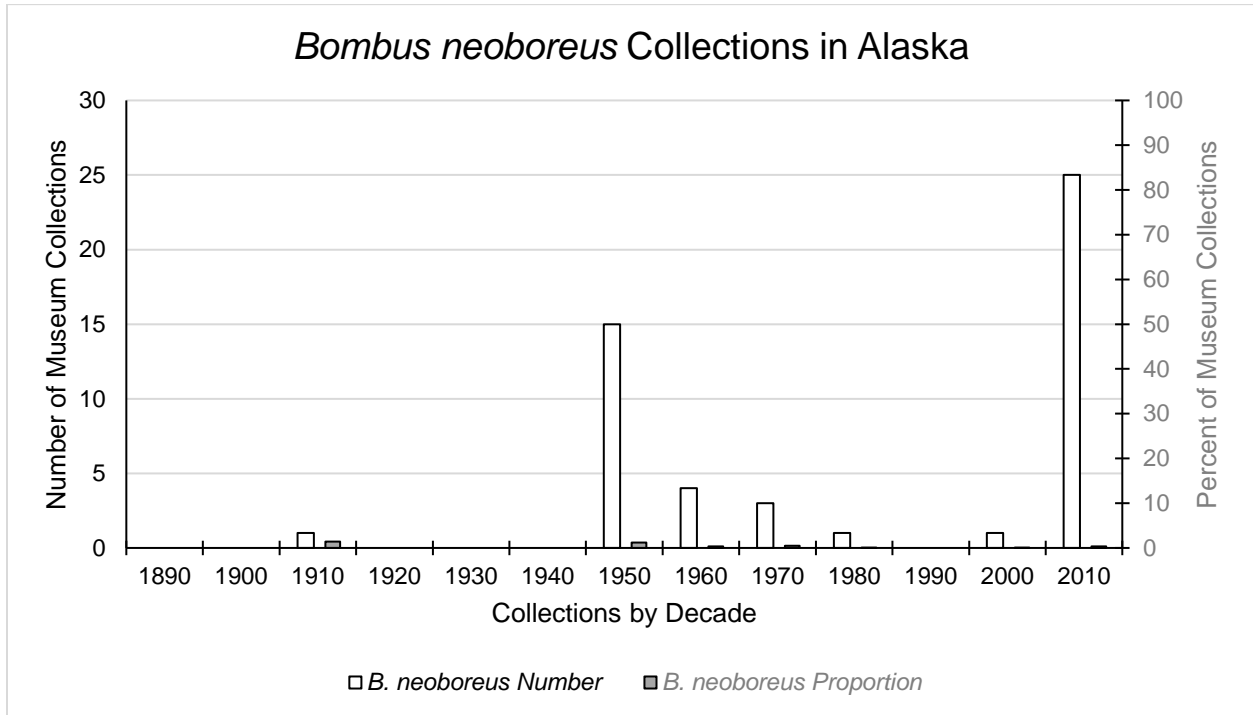
AK Range Extent: 601,226 km² ; 4-km² grid cells: 26; North Slope and Seward Peninsula south to Interior and Alaska Range Transition.

North American Distribution: Alaska and arctic Canadian Territories



Trends

Trends are based on museum voucher collections of all *Bombus* species. Short-term trends are focus the past two decades (2000's and 2010s), whereas long-term trends are based on all years. Data originate from museum voucher collections only and are summarized by decade. White bars indicate the number of voucher collections for the species. Grey bars indicate the percent of *Bombus neoboreus* to all *Bombus* species.



Short-term: There has been a significant increase in proportion of *Bombus neoboreus* collected from 2000s to 2010s (0.007% compared to 0.32%).

Long-term: Appears to be a significant decrease (~25% decline) in proportion of *Bombus* collected since the 1910s.

Threats

Scope and Severity: Unknown.

Intrinsic Vulnerability: Restricted to arctic and alpine habitat which are sensitive to climate change.

Ecology

Habitat: Collections have been limited to arctic and alpine habitat.

Known Alaskan Floral Resources: *Hedysarum alpinum*, *Oxytropis* spp.

Nesting behavior: underground.

Parasitism: unknown

Ecological Integrity of Occurrences: Most collections are on protected lands (e.g., Denali National Park) or remote areas such as the North Slope. Most of Alaska has high ecological intactness and condition in current and long term future.

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