New Records for the Eastern Spotted Skunk in Oklahoma

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Several additional records of occurrence of the eastern spotted skunk (*Spilogale putorius*) have been documented since 1980 when Tyler and Lodes (*I*) studied its distributional status. Some of these were listed by Caire, et al. (2), but others have not been published. In addition, certain historical records that had not been uncovered or that were unavailable in 1980 are now known (*3-6*). Records in Table 1 are listed alphabetically by county. This information enhances our historical knowledge and updates the known distribution of the eastern spotted skunk in Oklahoma.

In Table 1 these abbreviations for various museums are used:

CNHM = Chicago Natural History Museum;

CUMZ = Cameron University Museum of Zoology, Lawton, OK;

KUMNH = Kansas University Museum of Natural History, Lawrence;

MCZ = Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA;

OAM = Oklahoma A&M College, Stillwater;

USNM = United States National Museum, Washington, D.C.

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TABLE 1. New records for the eastern spotted skunk, Spilogale putorius, in Oklahoma.

County	Location	Date	Museum No.a	Comments ^b (Ref)
Alfalfa	15 km Cherokee	06/20/30	USNM 530289	Skull; H.H.T. Jackson; (3)
Alfalfa	1.6 km N, 3.2 W Edith	Summer 1930		One seen; (3)
Atoka	8 km E Atoka	04/29/79	CUMZ 673	m; R.R. Hollander
Blaine	9.6 km N, 8 km W Watonga	01/11/38	MVZ 80750	f ; C.R. Taylor; (4)
Caddoc	Kiowa Agency	04/07/1868	USNM 9286	m; E. Palmer; (4)
Cleveland	Norman	10/25/19	KUMNH 4130	f; R.C. Hughes;
Comanche ^d	Mt. Scott	04/06/04 04/25/04	USNM 133095 USNM 132806	m,m; J.H. Gaut;(4)
Comanched	Cache Creek, Mt. Scott	03/28/04 03/29/04	USNM 132434 USNM 132466	m; J.H. Gaut; (4) f; J.H. Gaut; (4)

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County	Location	Date	Museum No.a	Comments ^b (Ref)
Comanched	Fort Sill	12/23/38	USNM 273969	m; F.B. McMurry(4)
Comanched	0.8 km SE Fort Sill Depot	12/23/38	USNM 273968	m; F.B. McMurry(4)
Comanche	N Meers wye	00/00/71		DOR ^e ; (7)
Comanche Comanche	Mt. Scott, WMWR Lawton	09/15/83 03/24/91		F.D. Bryce saw one ^f DOR ^f ; J.D. Tyler
Cotton	8 km W Walters	04/16/84		DORf; R. Roberts
Custer	Custer City	01/15/82	CUMZ 851	ff; C.W. McAmis
Haskell	3.2 km N, 24 km W Stigler	08/23/82	CUMZ 785	DOR, photo; M. Clemons
Jackson	3.2 km NE Eldorado	04/15/85		DOR ^f ; J.D. Tyler
Jackson	Near Headrick	Winter, 1992-93		M. Haynie saw one ^f
Kiowa	1.2 km S Hobart	12/12/50	KUMNH 39186	m; O.M. King; (5)
Kiowa	2.4 km W Snyder	04/20/84		DOR ^f ; D.R. Mills
Kiowa	9.6 km W, 2.8 km S Snyder	01/15/93		M. Haynie saw one ^f
LeFlore	9.6 km SE Wister	11/25/43	KUMNH 54342	m; G.C. Rinker;(4)
Osage	ca. 9.6 km W Pawhuska	03/06/91		DORf; W.D. Harden
Payne	9.6 km N, 4.8 km E Stillwater	no date	OAM 330	A. Kogen & L. Beuick
Pottawatomie ^d	11.2 km SE Tecumseh	11/08/19	KUMNH 4132	m; R.C. Hughes
Pottawatomie ^d	11.2 km SE Tecumseh	12/24/19	KUMNH 4131	f; R.C. Hughes
Stephens	8 km N, 3.2 km E Duncan	11/20/92		B. Minson saw one ^f
Tillman	1.6 km S Manitou	04/12/84	CUMZ 904	m; E.W. Tyler
Tillman	4.8 km N, 2 km W Tipton	09/21/84	CUMZ 911	Juv. m; J.D. Tyler
Washita	1.2 km N, 4.8 E Lake Valley	01/01/51	KUMNH 41553	f; O.M. King; (5)
Woods	"Marsh Valley"	06/28/1872	USNM 11136	T.W. Jaycox; (4)
Woods	Alva	01/25/1899	CNHM 6874	T. Surber; (6)
Woods	Alva	02/14/1899	CNHM 6875	T. Surber; (6)
Woods	Alva	02/14/1899	CNHM 6876	T. Surber; (6)
Woods	Alva	02/10/1899	CNHM 6877	T. Surber; (6)
Woods	8 km W Alva	02/07/1899	CNHM 6878	T. Surber; (6)
Woods	Alva	09/06/1898	MCZ B8552	f; T. Surber; (4)
Woods	Alva	09/08/1898	MCZ B8553	f; T. Surber; (4)
Woods	Alva	09/08/1898	MCZ B8554	f; T. Surber; (4)
Woods ^d	Alva	09/07/1898	USNM 96066	m; T. Surber; (4)

a See last paragraph of text.
b m=male; f=female.
c Erroneously reported as Pittsburg County and 1867 in earlier publications.
d Tyler and Lodes (1) listed these early specimens only by location, omitting museum numbers, dates, and other collection data.
DOR = Dead on road.
J.D. Tyler, unpublished field records.