

TABLE 3

<p style="text-align: center;">Comparison of data sources, participants, and selection processes used in compiling the 1987 and 1995 lists¹</p>		
	1987 List	1995 List
DATA SOURCES:		
Delphi exercise	Not used.	Conducted in 3 phases: USFWS "experts," <u>American Birds</u> Regional Editors and RMNBCs, and "area" experts.
Preliminary information on "Degree of Concern"	Not available	Preliminary rankings (Low, Moderate, High) from Phase I provided to Delphi participants.
Blue List data	Reviewed and summarized by MBMO (not provided to participants)	Synopsis of 1972-1982 and 1986 lists provided to Delphi participants.
BBS data	1966-1979 data reviewed by MBMO (not provided to participants)	Synopsis of 1966-1991 and 1982-1991 trends provided to Delphi participants, and 1966-1994 trends reviewed by MBMO.
ACBC data	Published analyses reviewed by MBMO (not provided to participants)	Database (1959-1988) reviewed and summarized by MBMO (not provided to Delphi participants)
"Candidate" status	Reviewed by MBMO (not provided to participants)	Status information summarized and provided to Delphi participants.
PIF regional rank scores	Not available	Reviewed and summarized by MBMO (not provided to Delphi participants)
State Endangered, Threatened, Other lists	Reviewed and summarized by MBMO (not provided to participants)	Not used
State Natural Heritage Program status	Reviewed and summarized by MBMO (not provided to participants)	Not used
PARTICIPANTS:		
USFWS Regional Office	Migratory Bird Coordinators	Nongame Bird Coordinators used in Phase II
USFWS "Expert" Panel	Not used	Used in Phase I to generate preliminary rankings of concern
Area "Experts"	Not used	Used in Phase III in Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands
Other "Experts"	State Breeding Bird Survey Coordinators	<u>American Birds</u> Regional Editors used in Phase II

<p>THE SELECTION PROCESS:</p>	<p>To qualify for the NATIONAL list, a species had to be listed in 2 or more FWS regions or be listed in the Region that contained the major portion of its U.S. range. The nomination had to be supported by (1) a significant negative BBS trend (1966-1979) or (2) information from 3 or more of the following sources: (a) negative BBS trend in U.S. or BBS region in which the FWS region is located or for most States in that Region, (b) State Endangered Threatened Other status for a majority of States in that Region, (c) current Blue List status in that Region or most of its States, (d) nomination by Migratory Bird Coordinator, (e) nomination by majority of BBS coordinators from that Region, (f) current "candidate" status in that Region or a majority of its States, (f) Natural Heritage Program status of Rare or higher in a majority of the States in that Region. A species qualified for REGIONAL listing on the basis of the above criteria, with the exception that species were excluded from consideration if (a) the average number of birds/BBS route was ≥ 2.0, or (b) there was a significant positive BBS trend in the region.</p>	<p>To qualify for the NATIONAL list, a species had to meet at least one of the following criteria: (1) <u>Delphi</u>, (2) <u>BBS</u>, (3) <u>ACBC</u>, (4) <u>PIF</u>, or (5) <u>Candidate</u> (see Table 2 for precise definitions of qualifying parameters that were applied to these criteria). Once a species qualified for the national list, it became eligible for REGIONAL lists on the basis of the following criteria: (1) <u>Delphi</u>, (2) <u>BBS</u>, (3) <u>PIF</u>, or (4) <u>Candidate</u> (see Table 2 for precise definitions of qualifying parameters that were applied to these criteria).</p>
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1 . **Key:** ACBC = Audubon Christmas Bird Count, BBS = Breeding Bird Survey, MBMO = Migratory Bird Management Office, RMNBCs = Regional Migratory Nongame Bird Coordinators, and USFWS = U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.