

Illinois Plant Information Network (ILPIN)

Taxonomic, biologic, geographic, and ecologic information on 3209 Illinois vascular plant taxa.

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● Background:

ILPIN was designed to provide many different types of information about ALL of the vascular plant taxa found in Illinois. At this site, you can search on a species (by scientific or common name), and retrieve all the information we have compiled on the species, as well as a map of its known distribution among the counties in Illinois. Over 130 variables were evaluated for each species, though seldom will all variables have data. This is a start, but a tremendous amount of information still needs to be researched and/or compiled. The variables are presented in the [input form](#), used in the compilation process, and described in the document, [input form descriptors](#).

ILPIN was developed by [Louis Iverson](#) (liverson@fs.fed.us), currently employed by the [USDA Forest Service](#), 359 Main Road, Delaware, OH 43015. Data were compiled from numerous sources by David Ketzner and Jeanne Karnes, at the Illinois Natural History Survey. Nomenclature for taxa follows: Mohlenbrock, R.H. 1986. Guide to the vascular flora of Illinois. Southern Illinois University Press, Carbondale, IL.

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Please realize that the database is far from complete; much of the information just is not available. Common names are not available for all species, and many species have more than one common name. Here, only one (if available) is given; other common names are presented in the data for

individual species.

Citation for this database:

Iverson, L.R., D. Ketzner, and J. Karnes. 1999. Illinois Plant Information Network. Database at <http://www.fs.fed.us/ne/delaware/ilpin/ilpin.html>. Illinois Natural History Survey and USDA Forest Service.

Other publications about ILPIN (reprints available from Louis Iverson):

Iverson, L.R., A. Prasad, and D.M. Ketzner. 1997. A summary of the Illinois flora based on the Illinois Plant Information Network. Transactions of the Illinois State Academy of Science 90:41-64.

Iverson, L.R., and A. Prasad. 1998. Estimating regional plant biodiversity with GIS modelling. Diversity and Distributions 4:49-61.

● Species Descriptions (includes Distribution Maps):

 The species list has links to the species description and the maps that show the county distribution of the species.

Select species by Genus (Netscape > 4.0 or InternetExplorer >4.0):

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 OR you can browse the entire species list of 3209 taxa (~ 850 KB) by clicking [HERE](#)

- If you are using an **OLDER** browser peruse all the species by clicking [HERE](#) (~ 413 KB)

● List Species by County:

You can list the species by using a county map or an alphabetized list of counties.

 [List species using county map](#)

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