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| **Field** | **Description** | **Data type** |
| DataTableID | Unique numerical code for each source to match with table captrends.csv | Character |
| Code | Amended threat or conservation action category described by the source as influencing the population trend. If an influencing factor could not be matched to a category, the driver of the trend, as described by the primary source, was entered as free text in the field ‘other\_drivers\_ot\_trend’ in table captrends.csv | Categorical [calls on file: metadata\_threat\_conservation\_action\_schema] |
| Direction | Binary descriptor of whether the factor was described by the source as potentially or actually having resulted, or being expected to result in a population increase (recorded as “Positive”) or in a population decline (recorded as “Negative”).  The degree of influence on the trend is informed by the Key\_driver field. | Categorical |
| Measured | Descriptor of the evidence provided by the source to support the link between a named factor and changes in population trend. Categories:  *Not explained: sources mentioned potentially important factor but did not provide information on how it may affect population trend*  *Speculated: source speculated about a link between the factor and the population trend*  *Proxy-estimate: source provided some evidence for how the factor influenced the population trend*  *Quantified: source presented evidence that a factor has impacted the population trend* | Categorical |
| Key\_driver | Descriptor of whether the factor was likely to be a strong driver of the observed population trend (recorded as “Positive”). Categories:  *No: Factor not considered an important driver of the trend according to primary source.*  *Yes: Factor considered an important driver of the trend according to primary source.*  *Unknown: Primary source did not describe impact of the factor, or described the impact as unknown.* | Categorical |
| Comment | Any additional notes regarding how the trend is influenced by the factor | Character |