



2005 annual report on conservation & science (arcs)

In 2005, 160 AZA-accredited zoos and aquariums and 6 certified related facilities submitted reports indicating that they participated in and/or contributed to 1,719 conservation, research, and education projects in 97 countries/regions. Over \$18 million dollars were spent on these conservation efforts.

PROJECTS

Conservation, research, and education projects are comprised of a wide variety of activities, including husbandry development, behavioral studies, captive breeding, reintroduction, rehabilitation, habitat restoration, capacity building, fundraising, and collaborative initiatives.

- The amount spent on all projects as reported in 2005 is \$18,183,942.
- Projects occurred in the wild (*in situ*) and in other settings (*ex situ*) such as a zoo, aquarium, research facility, or classroom.
- Some of the projects reported began in 2005, but most (1,031) were long-term projects that continued in 2005.

PUBLICATIONS

AZA experts publish their findings each year to share their wealth of knowledge with their colleagues and the rest of the scientific community. In 2005, AZA zoo and aquarium professionals produced a total of 781 publications.

- 52 Book Chapters
- 357 Conference/ Meetings Proceedings
- 278 Journal Articles
- 79 Posters
- 15 Theses/ Dissertations

INFORMATION ABOUT THE 2005 ARCS REPORTS

In 2005, AZA had 210 accredited institutions and 17 certified related facilities. 166 AZA member institutions and certified related facilities contributed data to this report. Not all institutions report the amount of money spent on their projects or contributions. Thus, the total expenses reported in ARCS are likely to only reflect a subset of the entire impact AZA zoos and aquariums had on conservation that year.

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<http://members.aza.org/departments/ConScienceMO/ARCS/>

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