Tussock skink

Oligosoma chionochloescens





Conservation status

Regional | At Risk: Declining National At Risk: Declining



Main threats

Habitat change (e.g. land development, fire)

Introduced predators (e.g. rodents, ferrets, stoats and cats)



Striped upper surface





Warm-brown colouration with few or no speckles/flecks



Smooth-edged or slightly notched band on sides



Four large scales in second row of scales above each eyelid





Pale-brown/yellow belly with lightly specked throat and chin













I inhabit...

Rocky and grassy areas, especially where it's damp.



I eat...

Mostly invertebrates (e.g. insects and spiders)

Possibly flower nectar and native fruits when available



Te Wāhipounamu skink Nevis skink







Herbfield skink



Southern grass skink



Burgan skink

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