

MICHIGAN: A GEOGRAPHY
Chapter 8: Pleistocene Fauna
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I. Introduction

Distribution of fauna

Numbers: reptiles, fish, amphibians, birds, mammals, extant and extinct

II. The Fauna (brief descriptions with illustrations)

A. Fishes

Esosidae

Cyprinidae

Catostomidae

Gasterosteidae

Centrarchidae

Percidae

Sciaenidae

B. Amphibians

Bufoidea

Ranidae

C. Reptiles

Emydoidea

Trionychidae

D. Birds

Anatidae

Meleagridae

E. Mammals

Soricidae

Ursidae

Mustelidae

Tayassuidae

Cervidae

Bovidae

Castoridae

Muridae

Dipodidae

Leporidae

Mammutidae

Family Elephantidae

III. Comments

Dominance of mastodons and mammoths in Pleistocene ecosystems

Possibility of human hunting of fossil elephants

Possibility of fossil elephants migrating to Michigan for salt deposits

IV. References