

**TABLE 8.1 Relative Abundance of Living Animal Species**

Category of Organism	Common Name or Example	Fraction of Current Living Animals
Arthropods	Crabs, insects	82% ( <i>75% are insects.</i> )
Molluscs	Clams, snails, squid	7%
Vertebrates	Fish, tigers, humans	3%
Protozoans	Single-celled	2.5%
Cnidaria	Corals, jellies	0.8%
Porifera	Sponges	< 0.1%
Brachiopods		< 0.1%
Echinoderms	Starfish	< 0.1%
Bryozoans		< 0.1%
All other categories		5%