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Official State Insects / Butterflies of the 50 Sta

State	Insect	Year Adopted	Scientific
Alabama	Monarch Butterfly Official Butterfly - Eastern Tiger Swallowtail	1989 1989	*Danaus ple* *Pterourus g*
Alaska	Four Spot Skimmer Dragonfly	1995	
Arizona	Official Butterfly - Two-tailed Swallowtail	2001	*Papilio mu*
Arkansas	Honeybee	1973	*Apis mellife*
California	California Dogface Butterfly	1972	*Zerene eur*
Colorado	Colorado Hairstreak Butterfly	1996	*Hypaurotis*
Connecticut	European or "Praying" Mantis	1997	*Mantis reli*
Delaware	Official Butterfly - Tiger Swallowtail	1974	*Pterourus g*
Florida	Zebra Longwing	1996	*Heliconius*
Georgia	Honeybee Official Butterfly - Tiger Swallowtail	1975 1988	*Apis mellife* *Pterourus g*
Hawaii			
Idaho	Monarch Butterfly	1992	*Danaus ple*
Illinois	Monarch Butterfly	1975	*Danaus ple*
Indiana			
Iowa			
Kansas	Honeybee	1976	*Apis mellife*
Kentucky	Official Butterfly - Viceroy Butterfly	1990	*Basilarchia*
Louisiana	Honeybee	1977	*Apis mellife*
Maine	Honeybee	1975	*Apis mellife*

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Maryland	Baltimore Checkerspot Butterfly	1973	*Euphydryas*
Massachusetts	Ladybug	1990	*Coccinella*
Michigan			
Minnesota	Official Butterfly - Monarch Butterfly	2000	*Danaus ple*
Mississippi	Honeybee Official Butterfly - Spicebush Swallowtail	1980 1991	*Apis mellife* *Battus phil*
Missouri	Honeybee	1985	*Apis mellife*
Montana			
Nebraska	Honeybee	1975	*Apis mellifi*
Nevada			
New Hampshire	Ladybug Official Butterfly - Karner Blue	1977 1992	*Coccinella* *Lycaeides*
New Jersey	Honeybee	1974	*Apis mellife*
New Mexico	Tarantula Hawk Wasp	1989	*Pepsis form*
New York	Ladybug	1989	*Coccinella*
North Carolina	Honeybee	1973	*Apis mellife*
North Dakota			
Ohio	Ladybug	1975	*Coccinella*
Oklahoma	Honeybee Official Butterfly - Black Swallowtail	1992 1996	*Apis mellife* *Papilio pol*
Oregon	Oregon Swallowtail	1979	*Papilio ore*
Pennsylvania	Firefly	1974	*Poturis pen*
Rhode Island			
South Carolina	Carolina Mantid Official Butterfly - Eastern Tiger Swallowtail	1988 1994	*Stagmoman* *Pterourus*
South Dakota	Honeybee	1978	*Apis mellife*

Tennessee	Firefly Ladybug Agricultural Insect - Honeybee Official Butterfly - Zebra Swallowtail	1975 1975 1990 1994	*Photinus P* *Coccinella* *Apis mallif* *Eurytides n*
Texas	Monarch Butterfly	1995	*Danaus ple*
Utah	Honeybee	1983	*Apis mellif*
Vermont	Honeybee Official Butterfly - Monarch Butterfly	1977 1987	*Apis mellif* *Danaus ple*
Virginia	Tiger Swallowtail	1991	*Papilio gla*
Washington	Green Darner Dragonfly	1997	*Anax junius*
West Virginia	Official Butterfly - Monarch Butterfly	1995	*Danaus ple*
Wisconsin	Honeybee	1977	*Apis mellif*
Wyoming			

We like to list the "official" symbol designations for each state and so, have had to inclu "insects" category, official state "butterflies." Some states, perhaps reluctant to call an in designated official state butterflies, but recognize no official state insect. Other states re and a state butterfly. We have chosen to group these two together.

If a state has not designated an official state insect, but lists an official state butterfly, we noting that it is an official "butterfly."

If a state has designated an official state insect and an official state butterfly, both are lis

One state, Tennessee, has designated two official state "insects," one official state "agric official state "butterfly". Surely, Tennessee can be considered more "insect aware" than

Nine states have not declared an official state insect or an official state butterfly. There i Let's get the rest of the states to snap-to and declare their official state insect. Insectless Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Rhode Island, and Wyoming every state have and Official State Insect!

What "insect" or "butterfly" holds top honors as the most popular among the 50 st was California's Dogface Butterfly you would be wrong. If you found that it was right. Fourteen states have adopted the Honeybee as their official state insect; Arkansas, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oklah Vermont, and Wisconsin are Honeybee supporters. Can you guess why?

A distant second, the Monarch Butterfly makes a strong showing with seven state insect as either an official state "insect" or an official state "butterfly." You can c Illinois, Minnesota, Texas, and West Virginia as Monarch Butterfly states.

Vermont, also a Monarch Butterfly state, earns two ribbons. Vermont pulls down a first state insect; the Honeybee. Vermont also takes home a second place ribbon for its offici

Monarch Butterfly.

- Tied in third place we find two wonderful insects; the friendly Ladybug and the b Butterfly. Each of these insects makes a showing as official in five states.

Ladybug supporters include Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, and Ten place ribbon for its official agricultural insect.

States that have chosen the Tiger Swallowtail to represent them are Alabama, Delaware, and Virginia.

Tennessee's third place ribbon for its official state insect, the Ladybug can be hung right for its official state agricultural insect, the Honeybee.

Alabama picks up its second ribbon in the state insect category. It now claims a second state insect, the Monarch Butterfly, and a third place ribbon for its official state butterfly Butterfly.

Georgia picks up its second ribbon as well and can proudly display its third place ribbon butterfly, the Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly, next to its first place ribbon of its official stat

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