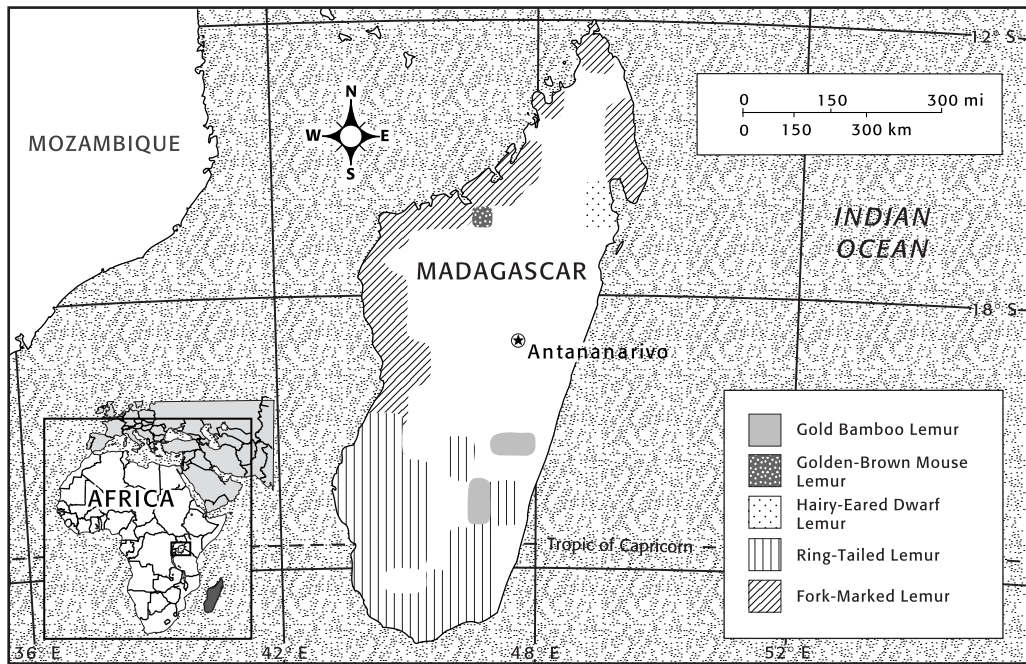


Map Skills



The island nation of Madagascar is part of one of the world's 25 biodiversity hotspots. A biodiversity hotspot is a region with an especially large number of species. Madagascar is the world's only home of lemurs, a primitive primate. Of the more than 40 species of lemurs, most are either endangered or at some risk of becoming so. This map shows distribution of populations of five lemur species.

Use the map above to answer the questions below.

- 1. Using a Key** Which lemur species has the largest population distribution? Which has the smallest?

- 2. Using a Key** What is the status of the hairy-eared dwarf lemur?

- 3. Analyzing Data** Which two lemur species are found near the distribution area of the ring-tailed lemur?

- 4. Making Conclusions** The golden bamboo lemur is the most endangered species shown on the map. However, it does not have the smallest distribution. Why do you think this might be?
