

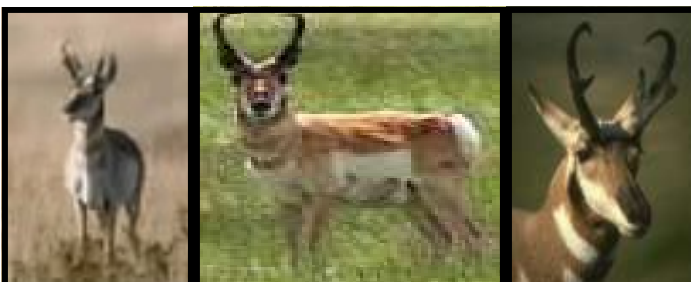


# PRONGHORN

*Antilocapra americana*



The pronghorn is an animal of the open country of the western United States and Canada. The male is about four feet long, three feet high at the shoulder, and weighs 150 pounds. Female pronghorns are about 50 pounds lighter. Both males and females have forked horns which, unlike the horns of other animals, are shed each October. Pronghorns feed on vegetation such as cactus, sagebrush, and various grasses. Pronghorns escape predators by running, and are capable of reaching speeds in excess of 40 miles per hour.



## SPECIES QUICK FACTS

### SIZE

Mature pronghorns will stand between 36 and 40 inches at the shoulder and be about four feet in length.

### WEIGHT

Adult pronghorns will range from 75 to 150 pounds.

### FOOD HABITS

The pronghorn prefers to feed on grasses, weeds, cactus, juniper, winterfat, and chamiso.

### HABITAT

Pronghorn can be found in a variety of habitats such as open desert grasslands, mountain meadows, and forests.

### GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

The pronghorn is only found in North America. They are found west of the Mississippi river, from the southern border of Canada south to Mexico.

### FUN FACT

A three-day old pronghorn can outrun a human.