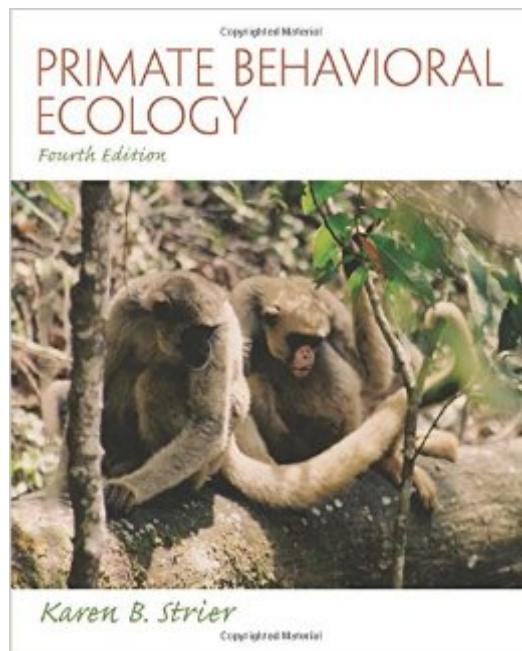


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# Primate Behavioral Ecology



## Synopsis

Primate Behavioral Ecology, described as a *clean* engaging, cutting-edge exposition, • incorporates exciting new discoveries and the most up-to-date approaches in its introduction to the field and its applications of behavioral ecology to primate conservation. This unique, comprehensive, single-authored text integrates the basics of evolutionary, ecological, and demographic perspectives with contemporary noninvasive molecular and hormonal techniques to understand how different primates behave and the significance of these insights for primate conservation. Examples are drawn from the *classic* • primate field studies and more recent studies on previously neglected species from across the primate order, illustrating the vast behavioral variation that we now know exists and the gaps in our knowledge that future studies will fill.

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## Customer Reviews

A good survey text of primate social ecology. Strier's work among new world primates makes this book better than most which are too heavily biased towards macaque and chimp studies.

I'm just becoming interested in biology. I've read about a third of the book, and I'm half way through because I skipped some parts while I collected information for my essay. I still haven't read about development and communication. A major focus is explaining primate behaviors and morphology from the ecological and evolutionary perspectives. It takes into account things like population distribution, food supply, and dominance hierarchies. The chapters always start out very interesting although some of her in-depth explanations of why the primates behave in particular ways made me

yawn, but I'm more interested in cellular biology anyway. There are distinguished portions of text that contain fascinating topics which encompass subjects beyond primatology. The parts comparing primate diets and primate anatomy were very interesting. They led me to get other primate books which are more aligned with my interests. If you get the third edition, as I did, be aware that the taxonomic tree on page 52 is out-dated. Superfamily Hominoidea has undergone some major renovations. The book acknowledges the Tarsier's debated classification, although you won't know about it if you just look at the picture without reading the chapter's text. The back of the book has a great, long table categorizing every primate species.

The text is solid without being too heavy. I found it to be a fairly easy read (all textbooks are at least a little dry). The book itself isn't terribly thick and when supplemented with quality lectures it makes for a great textbook. I would recommend it to students and instructors alike.

Book is great, thought provoking, and is a must-read for how the variables of resources, environment, and gender differences impact behavior. I am taking the Author's course, however, at UW-Madison, so my inherent bias must be stated.

I had to buy this book for my primatology class this semester. The book is very informative and a good starting point for those interested in Primatology.

Book was in great shape . Delivered on time ! The book itself was a good read . I read it for a weekend class and it didn't take long to read. It was an interesting subject .

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