Parvindela celeripes
– Swift Tiger Beetle; NC, NW, SW

Dromochorus pruinius
– Frosted Tiger Beetle; SC, C, NC, NW

Dromochorus befragei
– Loamy-ground Tiger Beetle; SW, SC, C

Ellipsoptera nevadica knausii
– Nevada (Knaus’s) Tiger Beetle; PH, NW, NE, SW

Ellipsoptera cuprascens
– Coppery Tiger Beetle; all

Ellipsoptera macra
  ▪ Ellipsoptera macra macra
    – Sandy Stream Tiger Beetle; NE, NC, SE
  ▪ Ellipsoptera macra fluviatilis
    – Panhandle Tiger Beetle; PH, NW, NC, SW, SE

Ellipsoptera sperata
  ▪ Ellipsoptera sperata sperata
    – Rio Grande Tiger Beetle*; ph
  ▪ Ellipsoptera sperata inquisitor
    – Inquisitor Tiger Beetle*; SW

Ellipsoptera lepida
– Ghost Tiger Beetle; all but SE

Range notes:
* may not occur in Oklahoma
E/e = east, EC/ec = east-central, C/c = central, N/n = north, NC/nc = northcentral, NE/ne = northeast, NW/nw = northwest, PH/ph = panhandle, SC/sc = southcentral, SE/se = southeast, SW/sw = southwest, W/w = west, WC/wc = west-central

Codes in capitals = known distribution as per Pearson, et al. (2015) or other documentation; lowercase = possible range or areas of vagrancy


Total species: 34 confirmed (+ 2 possible, as of 1 October 2015)

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Photos: top, Cicindela circumpicta; bottom, Tetracha carolina
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Tribe Amblycheilini
- Amblycheilina cylindriformis
  - Great Plains Giant Tiger Beetle; PH, W

Tribe Megacephalini
- Tetrapha carolina
  - Pan-American Big-headed Tiger Beetle; all
- Tetrapha virginica
  - Virginia Big-headed Tiger Beetle; all

Tribe Cicindelini
- Cicindela repanda repanda
  - Bronzed Tiger Beetle; all
- Cicindela hirticollis
  - Hairy-necked Tiger Beetle; E
- Cicindela hirticollis shelfordi
  - Shelford’s Tiger Beetle; all
- Cicindela formosa
  - Big Sand Tiger Beetle; all
- Cicindela f. pigmentosignata
  - Reddish-green Sand Tiger Beetle; all
- Cicindela purpurea
  - Cow Path Tiger Beetle; NE, NC
- Cicindela willistoni hirtifrons
  - Williston’s (Hairy-fronted) Tiger Beetle; SW, NW
- Cicindelidia nigrocoerulea nigrocoerulea
  - Black Sky Tiger Beetle*; extreme PH
- Cicindelidia obsoleta
  - Large Grassland Tiger Beetle; PH, NW, SW
- Cicindelidia obsoleta vulturina
  - Prairie Tiger Beetle; SC, SE
- Cicindelidia punctulata
  - Punctured Tiger Beetle; all
- Cicindelidia tenuisignata
  - Thin-lined Tiger Beetle; PH, nw, SW
- Cicindelidia politula
  - Limestone Tiger Beetle; SW, SC
- Cicindelidia rufiventris
  - Eastern Red-bellied Tiger Beetle; SC, SE, EC
- Cicindelidia ocellata rectilaterta
  - Ocellated (Dark-abdomened) Tiger Beetle; SW, SC
- Cicindelidia schauppii
  - Schaupp’s Tiger Beetle; SW, SC, C, ne, se
- Cicindelidia trifasciata ascends
  - S-banded (Ascendant) Tiger Beetle; SC, C, NC, e?
- Eunota circumpicta
  - Cream-edged Tiger Beetle; SW, SC
- Eunota circumpicta johnsonii
  - Johnson’s Tiger Beetle; PH, NW, NC, NE, C, SW
- Eunota togata globicollis
  - White-cloaked (Alkali) Tiger Beetle; PH, NW, SW, C, EC