

**BIODIVERSITY, CONSERVATION AND ATTRACTIONS —  
PRESCRIBED BURNING AND BUSHFIRE SUPPRESSION**

1246. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Environment:

How much did the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) spend on each of the following in the 2021–22 financial year:

- (a) prescribed burning in the south-west forest regions;
- (b) bushfire suppression in the south-west forest regions;
- (c) prescribed burning in each of the other DBCA regions;
- (d) bushfire suppression in each of the other DBCA regions;
- (e) prescribed burning in total; and
- (f) bushfire suppression in total?

**Hon Darren West replied:**

- (a) Prescribed burning total expenditure was \$17,633,503 in the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions' (DBCA) three south-west forest regions.
- (b) Bushfire suppression total expenditure where ignition occurred on lands within DBCA's three south-west forest regions was \$34,020,719.
- (c) Prescribed burning total expenditure was \$4,750,233 in the other DBCA regions. Expenditure broken down by non-forest regions as follows:

<b>Non-Forest Region</b>	<b>Expenditure \$</b>
Goldfields	266,713
Kimberley	2,120,903
Midwest	878,651
Pilbara	494,888
South Coast	703,878
Wheatbelt	285,201
	<b>4,750,233</b>

- (d) Bushfire suppression total expenditure where ignition occurred in the other DBCA regional areas was \$11,613,582. Expenditure broken down by non-forest region as follows:

<b>Non-Forest Region</b>	<b>Expenditure \$</b>
Goldfields	1,114,523
Pilbara	3,233,708
Kimberley	1,084,694
South Coast	1,413,970
Wheatbelt	679,247
Midwest	4,087,440
	<b>11,613,582</b>

- (e) Prescribed burning total expenditure across all areas of the State was \$22,383,736.
- (f) Bushfire suppression total expenditure across all areas of the State was \$45,634,301.