

PRESCRIBED BURNING AND BUSHFIRES

807. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

How many hectares were burnt in each of the three forest regions, in the area managed by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, each year from 2016 to 2021 in:

- (a) prescribed burns;
- (b) wildfires;
- (c) wildfires resulting from escapes from DBCA's prescribed burns; and
- (d) total?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

Swan Region

| Year | (a) Prescribed Burning (hectares) | (b) Bushfires (hectares) | (c) Bushfires resulting from escapes from DBCA planned burns (hectares) | (d) Total (a) + (b) (hectares) |
|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 2016/17 | 126,273 | 1453 | 50 | 127,726 |
| 2017/18 | 107,230 | 3410 | 5 | 107,500 |
| 2018/19 | 50,508 | 289 | 0 | 50,797 |
| 2019/20 | 59,850 | 8299 | 0 | 68,149 |
| 2020/21 | 69,227 | 5627 | 28 | 74,854 |
| 2021/22 | 74,730 | 1332 | 0 | 76,062 |

South West Region

| Year | (a) Prescribed Burning (hectares) | (b) Bushfires (hectares) | (c) Bushfires resulting from escapes from DBCA planned burns (hectares) | (d) Total (a) + (b) (hectares) |
|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 2016/17 | 62,785 | 4555 | 4397 | 67,340 |
| 2017/18 | 56,132 | 219 | 1 | 56,166 |
| 2018/19 | 40,718 | 4880 | 1947 | 45,598 |
| 2019/20 | 29,499 | 10,107 | 130 | 39,606 |
| 2020/21 | 52,578 | 559 | 0 | 53,137 |
| 2021/22 | 66,368 | 10,433 | 0 | 76,801 |

Warren Region

| Year | (a) Prescribed Burning (hectares) | (b) Bushfires (hectares) | (c) Bushfires resulting from escapes from DBCA planned burns (hectares) | (d) Total (a) + (b) (hectares) |
|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 2016/17 | 58,302 | 1620 | 1373 | 59,922 |
| 2017/18 | 55,603 | 1375 | 234 | 55,607 |
| 2018/19 | 76,817 | 72 | 15 | 76,889 |
| 2019/20 | 43,592 | 90 | 39 | 43,682 |
| 2020/21 | 39,431 | 3867 | 61 | 43,298 |
| 2021/22 | 51,159 | 16,100 | 10 | 67,259 |