

Area burnt in south-west forest regions of Western Australia in prescribed burns conducted by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions and its predecessors and wildfires attended by the same agencies 1981-2024

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	Prescribed burns (ha)	Wildfires attended (ha)
1981	264,550	7,407
1982	316,507	2,380
1983	272,986	4,225
1984	252,851	9,164
1985-1986	268,951	16,951
1986-1987	250,360	8,079
1987-1988	277,283	9,433
1988-1989	242,379	11,364
1989-1990	278,364	1,766
1990-1991	365,164	1,656
1991-1992	309,350	14,452
1992-1993	159,749	12,726
1993-1994	250,830	6,150
1994-1995	260,846	29,051
1995-1996	233,758	10,101
1996-1997	157,721	18,443
1997-1998	126,085	76,798
1998-1999	98,117	9,148
1999-2000	174,455	10,866
2000-2001	87,866	14,647
2001-2002	74,739	18,989
2002-2003	144,835	139,744
2003-2004	192,119	22,226
2004-2005	213,102	50,569
2005-2006	194,105	21,905
2006-2007	138,602	31,774
2007-2008	143,681	9,862
2008-2009	151,818	23,910
2009-2010	212,017	47,380
2010-2011	136,746	28,189
2011-2012	103,165	103,837
2012-2013	23,468	13,634
2013-2014	78,234	17,118
2014-2015	147,082	178,240
2015-2016	154,149	96,223
2016-2017	247,360	9,171
2017-2018	218,965	7,066
2018-2019	168,043	7,551
2019-2020	132,940	26,692
2020-2021	171,236	31,731
2021-2022	192,257	34,980
2022-2023	175,414	21,343
2023-2024	101,632	55,610

* The dominant purpose of the largest area burnt is community/strategic protection burns with smaller areas of biodiversity conservation, tourism/recreation protection, hardwood silviculture and plantation silviculture /protection burns.

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