

Kangaroo Harvest Program

QUARTER TWO REPORT 2022

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1 Annual Quota

1.1 Overview

The commercial harvest of kangaroos is authorised under the *Wildlife Act 1975* and undertaken in accordance with the Victorian Kangaroo Harvest Management Plan 2021-2023. This plan requires the Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water, and Planning (DELWP) to set a yearly quota. The quota is the maximum number of kangaroos that can be harvested commercially in a year. The Kangaroo Harvest Program quota for 2022 is 127,850. The first release period of quota in 2022 is for six months (January - June) and quarterly thereafter.

1.1.1 2022 Annual and quarterly release figures

2022				
Zone	Quota allocated Release 1	Quota released Release 2	Total quota to be released Release 3	Total
Central	22,420	12,195	11,535	46,150
Gippsland	6,550	3,280	3,270	13,100
Lower Wimmera	15,275	7,640	7,635	30,550
Mallee	525	265	260	1,050
North East	2,475	1,210	1,265	4,950
Otway	7,650	7,840	5,160	20,650
Upper Wimmera	5,700	2,850	2,850	11,400
Total	60,595	35,280	31,975	127,850

2 Quota Allocation - Release one

2.1 Overview

- 60,595 tags were allocated across the state, a total of 94 percent of the 63,925 tags available for Release 1.
- 39,919 tags were consumed.

2.1.1 Allocation and consumption figures – Release One (January to June 2022)

Release One (January to June 2022)							
Zone	Initial quota Release 1	Quota carry over	Total quota Release 1	Total allocated Release 1	Quota remaining Release 1	Quota consumed Release 1	Harvesters who received allocations ¹
Central	23,075	0	23,075	22,420	655	13,902	65
Gippsland	6,550	0	6,550	6,550	0	3,414	35
Lower Wimmera	15,275	0	15,275	15,275	0	12,134	38
Mallee	525	0	525	525	0	375	5
North East	2,475	0	2,475	2,475	0	1,132	51
Otway	10,325	0	10,325	7,650	2,675	4,734	26
Upper Wimmera	5,700	0	5,700	5,700	0	4,216	21
Total	63,925	0	63,925	60,595	3,330	39,919	-

¹ The number of harvesters with quota may be higher than the total number of authorised harvesters, as harvesters can operate across more than one zone.

3 Quota Allocation - Annual

3.1 Overview

- 60,595 tags allocated in Release 1, is 47 per cent of the annual 127,850 tags available.

3.1.1 Allocation and consumption figures

2022				
Zone	Total	Total allocated quota	Quota remaining	Quota consumed
Central	46,150	22,420	23,730	13,902
Gippsland	13,100	6,550	6,550	3,414
Lower Wimmera	30,550	15,275	15,275	12,134
Mallee	1,050	525	525	375
North East	4,950	2,475	2,475	1,132
Otway	20,650	7,650	13,000	4,734
Upper Wimmera	11,400	5,700	5,700	4,216
Total	127,850	60,595	67,255	39,919

4 Harvest Information

4.1 Overview

Harvesters enter harvest summaries at the completion of each job via a mobile phone application hosted by Service Victoria. As the harvest summary figures are self-reported, there are often differences between the reported figures and the actual figures.

4.1.1 Harvest summary figures - Release one

Release one (January to June 2022)					
	Number of western grey kangaroos	Number of eastern grey kangaroos	Number of females	Tagged carcasses Stored for processor ²	Tagged carcasses left on the property
Total	7,942	24,421	13,652	40,398	301

²There is a variation between tagged carcasses for processing and quota consumed figures. This is because harvesters manually enter the data separately from the scanning of tags.

5 Compliance Figures

April – June	
Number of programmed inspections	3
Number of offences detected/reported	7
Number of investigations	5
Number of Authorisations suspended or cancelled	0