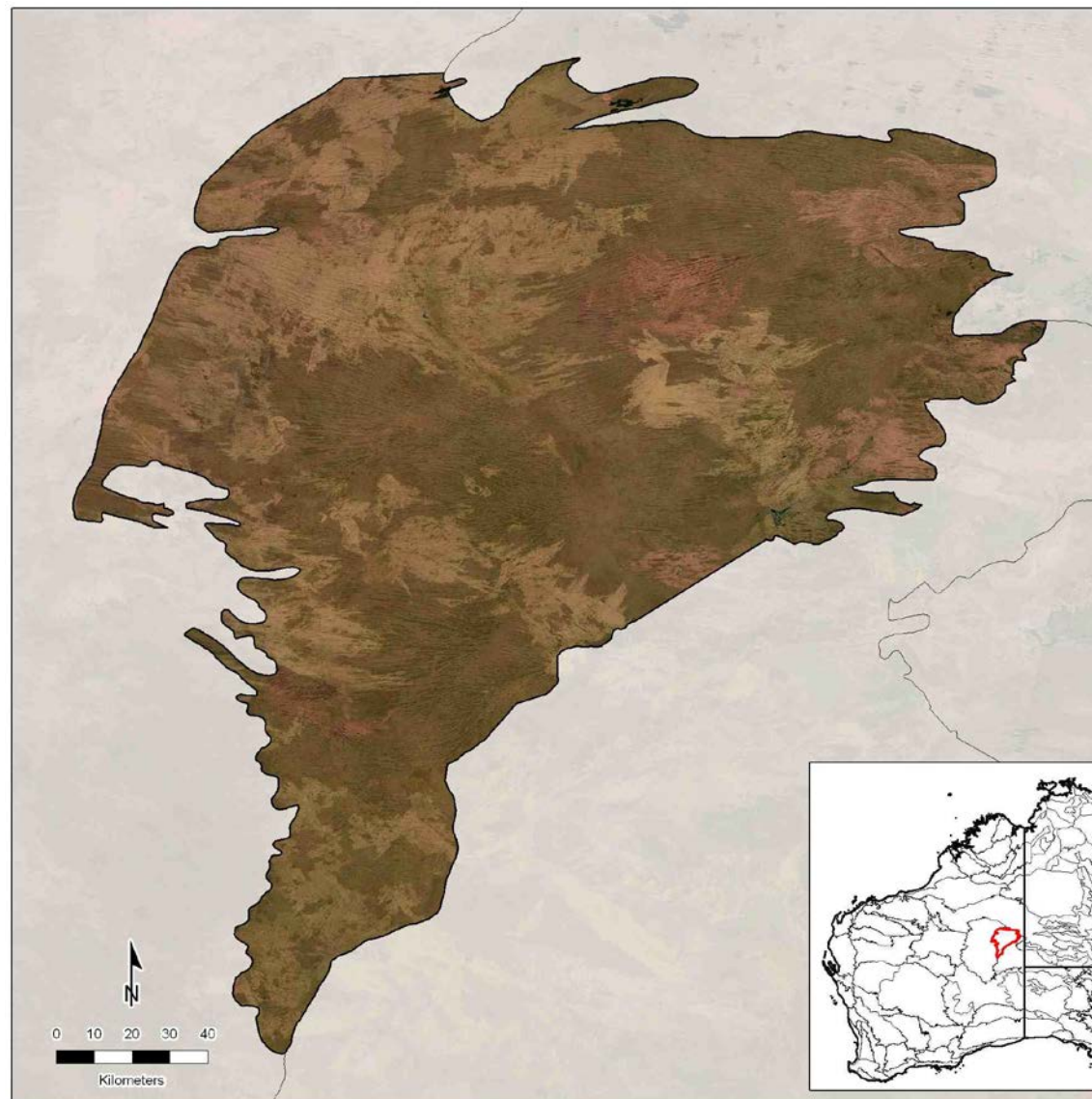


Gibson Desert 2 Sub-region



Statistics and maps produced by GIS Branch, Department of Parks and Wildlife (2014)

Information on the methods used to generate the statistics is available [here](#).

Note: the analysis was undertaken in 2012 under the auspices of the Department of Environment and Conservation. Therefore the acronym of “DEC” is used in this document.

PROFILE OF SUB-REGION

Total area of sub-region (ha)

| Size of sub-region in WA (ha) | Percentage of WA covered by sub-region (%) | Percentage of sub-region within WA (%) | Percentage of sub-region covered by intact habitat* (%) | Percentage of sub-region within DEC-managed conservation reserves (IUCN Ia - IV) (%) |
|-------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| 2,914,114 | 1.15 | 100 | 100.00 | 0.00 |

*Intact habitat includes remnant vegetation and additional intact habitats (wetlands) not mapped in the remnant vegetation dataset.

Please see the GIS Branch intranet site for the latest annual statistics in the following report:

- [DPaW-Managed and Other IUCN Terrestrial Lands by IBRA Sub-Regions Report](#). Statistic: Percentage of sub-region within DEC-managed conservation reserves (IUCN Ia – IV).

Remnant vegetation

| | | Extent of remnant vegetation | | Extent of additional intact habitats (wetlands) not mapped in the remnant vegetation dataset | | Total extent | |
|--|---|------------------------------|------------|--|----------|------------------|------------|
| | | (ha) | (%) | (ha) | (%) | (ha) | (%) |
| Native vegetation on DEC-managed lands | Conservation reserves (IUCN Ia - IV) | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| | DEC-managed lands proposed for conservation | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| | Conservation reserves (IUCN V & VI) | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| | Other DEC-managed lands | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Native vegetation on other public lands | | 1,692,829 | 58.09 | 0 | 0.00 | 1,692,829 | 58.09 |
| Native vegetation on leasehold lands | | 1,221,287 | 41.91 | 0 | 0.00 | 1,221,287 | 41.91 |
| Native vegetation on freehold lands | | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Native vegetation with no tenure category assigned | | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Cleared areas | | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0.00 |
| Total | | 2,914,116 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 2,914,116 | 100 |

NB: some rounding errors may occur.

Please see the GIS Branch intranet site for the latest annual statistics in the following report:

- [Statewide Vegetation Statistics \(Full report\)](#). Statistic: Extent of Remnant Vegetation including on DEC-managed lands.

Tenure

| | | | Extent (ha) | | | Extent (%) | | | Number of reserves | | |
|-------------------|---|--|------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|--------------------|----------|----------|
| | | | 2002 | 2012 | Change | 2002 | 2012 | Change | 2002 | 2012 | Change |
| DEC-managed lands | Conservation reserves (IUCN Ia - IV) | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | DEC-managed lands proposed for conservation | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Conservation reserves (IUCN V & VI) | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | State forest / timber reserves | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Other DEC-managed lands | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other lands | Unallocated crown lands | | 733,481 | 733,481 | 0 | 25.17 | 25.17 | 0.00 | - | - | - |
| | Other crown reserves | | 959,348 | 959,348 | 0 | 32.92 | 32.92 | 0.00 | - | - | - |
| | | Crown reserves vested in Aboriginal Lands Trust* | - | 959,348 | - | - | 32.92 | - | - | - | - |
| | Pastoral leases^ | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | - |
| | | Pastoral leases held by Aboriginal Lands Trust* | - | 0 | - | - | 0.00 | - | - | - | - |
| | Other leasehold lands^ | | 0 | 1,221,287 | 1,221,287 | 0.00 | 41.91 | 41.91 | - | - | - |
| | | General purpose leases held by Aboriginal Lands Trust* | - | 1,221,287 | - | - | 41.91 | - | - | - | - |
| | Freehold lands | | 1,221,287 | 0 | -1,221,287 | 41.91 | 0.00 | -41.91 | - | - | - |
| | | Freehold lands held by Aboriginal Lands Trust* | - | 0 | - | - | 0.00 | - | - | - | - |
| | Commonwealth lands (defence) | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | - |
| | Other public lands (roads and water bodies) | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | - |
| | No tenure category assigned† | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | - |
| Total | | | 2,914,116 | 2,914,116 | - | 100 | 100 | - | 0 | 0 | - |

NB: some rounding errors may occur.

* Aboriginal Lands Trust data are only available for 2012. The extents shown are a subset of the category they sit below. These values should therefore not be summed since they are not mutually exclusive.

^ In 2002, there is not data to differentiate other leasehold lands. Therefore it is likely that the total extent shown for pastoral leases in 2002 includes both pastoral leases and other leasehold lands.

† The attributing of the state cadastral database has improved considerably over time. Therefore much of the land which had no tenure category assigned in 2002 will have been attributed and consequently distributed between other reporting categories in 2012. Much of this is expected to be distributed to the "Other public lands (roads and water bodies)" category, as road casings are progressively digitised and attributed, though increases in other categories is also possible as attributing improves.

Please see the GIS Branch intranet site for the latest annual statistics in the following report:

- [DPaW-Managed and Other IUCN Terrestrial Lands by IBRA Sub-Regions Report](#). Statistic: DEC-managed lands (extent only).

Mining and petroleum

| | | IBRA sub-region | | | | | DEC-managed conservation reserves (IUCN Ia - IV) | | | DEC-managed lands proposed for conservation | | | DEC-managed conservation reserves (IUCN V & VI) | | | Other DEC-managed lands | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|---------|--|------|--------|---|------|--------|---|------|--------|-------------------------|------|--------|
| | | 2001/02 | 2001/02 % of IBRA sub-region | 2012 | 2012 % of IBRA sub-region | Change^ | 2001/02 | 2012 | Change | 2001/02 | 2012 | Change | 2001/02 | 2012 | Change | 2001/02 | 2012 | Change |
| Number of mining (live) tenements | Prospecting | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Exploration | 0 | N/A | 2 | N/A | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Mining | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Other | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number of petroleum (active) titles | Exploration | 1 | N/A | 0 | N/A | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Production | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Land area (ha) | Mining (live) tenements | 0 | 0.00 | 9,277 | 0.32 | 0.32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Petroleum (active) titles | 272,206 | 9.34 | 0 | 0.00 | -9.34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Mining (live) tenements and petroleum (active) titles* | 272,206 | 9.34 | 9,277 | 0.32 | -9.02 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

*An area of land can have over it both a mining tenement and petroleum title. The combined total represents the land area which is covered by a mining tenement or petroleum title or both.

^For the Land Area "Change" is calculated as the difference in % coverage at the IBRA sub-region scale of the two year dates.

Current dominant land uses

| | Extent (ha) | | | Extent (%) | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|------------|------------|----------|
| | 1996/97 | 2005/06 | Change | 1996/97 | 2005/06 | Change |
| Traditional indigenous use | 2,173,274 | 2,162,975 | -10,299 | 74.58 | 74.22 | -0.36 |
| Miscellaneous (non-intensive use)* | 739,489 | 739,868 | 379 | 25.38 | 25.39 | 0.01 |
| Conservation | 1,351 | 11,271 | 9,920 | 0.05 | 0.39 | 0.34 |
| Pastoralism | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Native forestry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Plantation forestry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Agriculture (intensive use) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Urban | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Mining | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Water (not classified) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Water (man-made/man modified) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| No data | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Total | 2,914,114 | 2,914,114 | - | 100 | 100 | - |

NB: some rounding errors may occur.

* Largely unmodified natural systems under various land uses. See detailed descriptions.

See the methods document available [here](#) for definitions of the categories.

Linear infrastructure

| | Length (km) | Area of reporting region (ha) | Length per hectare (km/ha) |
|--|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Roads (sub-region) | 59 | 2,914,114 | < 0.0001 |
| Roads (Strategic Survey Roads in national parks, conservation parks and nature reserves) | 0 | 0 | N/A |
| Railways (sub-region) | 0 | 2,914,114 | 0.0000 |

Complementary conservation initiatives to the formal conservation reserve system

| | Extent (ha) | | | Extent (%) | | |
|--|-------------|------|--------|------------|------|--------|
| | 2002 | 2012 | Change | 2002 | 2012 | Change |
| Private conservation organisations' land | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Nature Conservation covenants | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Land for Wildlife properties | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Combined total* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

* These conservation initiatives are not mutually exclusive. For example freehold land owned by a private conservation organisation may have a formal nature conservation covenant on its title. Therefore its area will be included in both category totals. The combined total represents the total extent of land which is covered by one or more initiative.

Please see the GIS Branch intranet site for the latest annual statistics in the following report:

- [*DPaW-Managed and Other IUCN Terrestrial Lands by IBRA Sub-Regions Report*](#). Statistic: Nature conservation covenants.

Indigenous

| | | Extent (ha) | | | Extent (%) | | |
|---|----------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|
| | | 2002 | 2012 | Change | 2002 | 2012 | Change |
| Native Title determinations | On DEC-managed lands | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | On all other lands | 1,027,848 | 2,914,114 | 1,886,266 | 35.27 | 100.00 | 64.73 |
| Commonwealth Indigenous Protected Areas | | 1,884,460 | 1,884,460 | 0 | 64.67 | 64.67 | 0.00 |

Please see the GIS Branch intranet site for the latest annual statistics in the following report:

- [*DPaW-Managed and Other IUCN Terrestrial Lands by IBRA Sub-Regions Report*](#). Statistic: Commonwealth Indigenous Protected Areas.

Climate projection 2030, 2050 and 2070

Projected climate change scenarios (OzClim)

| ANNUAL | Projected (Average) | | | Change from Base Climate* (Average) | | | Change from Base Climate* (range) | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2030 | 2050 | 2070 | 2030 | 2050 | 2070 | 2030 | 2050 | 2070 |
| | High impact scenario | | | | | | | | |
| Minimum Temperature (degrees C) | 19.10 | 21.11 | 23.46 | 1.86 | 3.87 | 6.22 | 1.84 - 1.89 | 3.82 - 3.92 | 6.15 - 6.31 |
| Maximum Temperature (degrees C) | 33.77 | 36.03 | 38.68 | 2.09 | 4.36 | 7.01 | 2.05 - 2.16 | 4.26 - 4.48 | 6.85 - 7.21 |
| Precipitation (mm) | 218.37 | 172.06 | 137.53 | -66.31 | -112.63 | -147.16 | -70.19 - -63.40 | -119.40 - -106.50 | -156.70 - -137.70 |
| | Medium impact scenario | | | | | | | | |
| Minimum Temperature (degrees C) | 18.72 | 19.75 | 20.76 | 1.48 | 2.52 | 3.52 | 1.46 - 1.50 | 2.49 - 2.55 | 3.48 - 3.57 |
| Maximum Temperature (degrees C) | 33.34 | 34.51 | 35.64 | 1.67 | 2.84 | 3.97 | 1.63 - 1.72 | 2.77 - 2.92 | 3.88 - 4.08 |
| Precipitation (mm) | 229.64 | 200.90 | 178.67 | -55.04 | -83.78 | -106.01 | -58.50 - -52.60 | -88.50 - -79.80 | -112.30 - -100.50 |

* Base Climate is 1990

The Global Climate Change Model (GCM) used in both scenarios is CSIRO Mk3.5 (CSIRO: CSIRO Mk3.5 on OzClim).

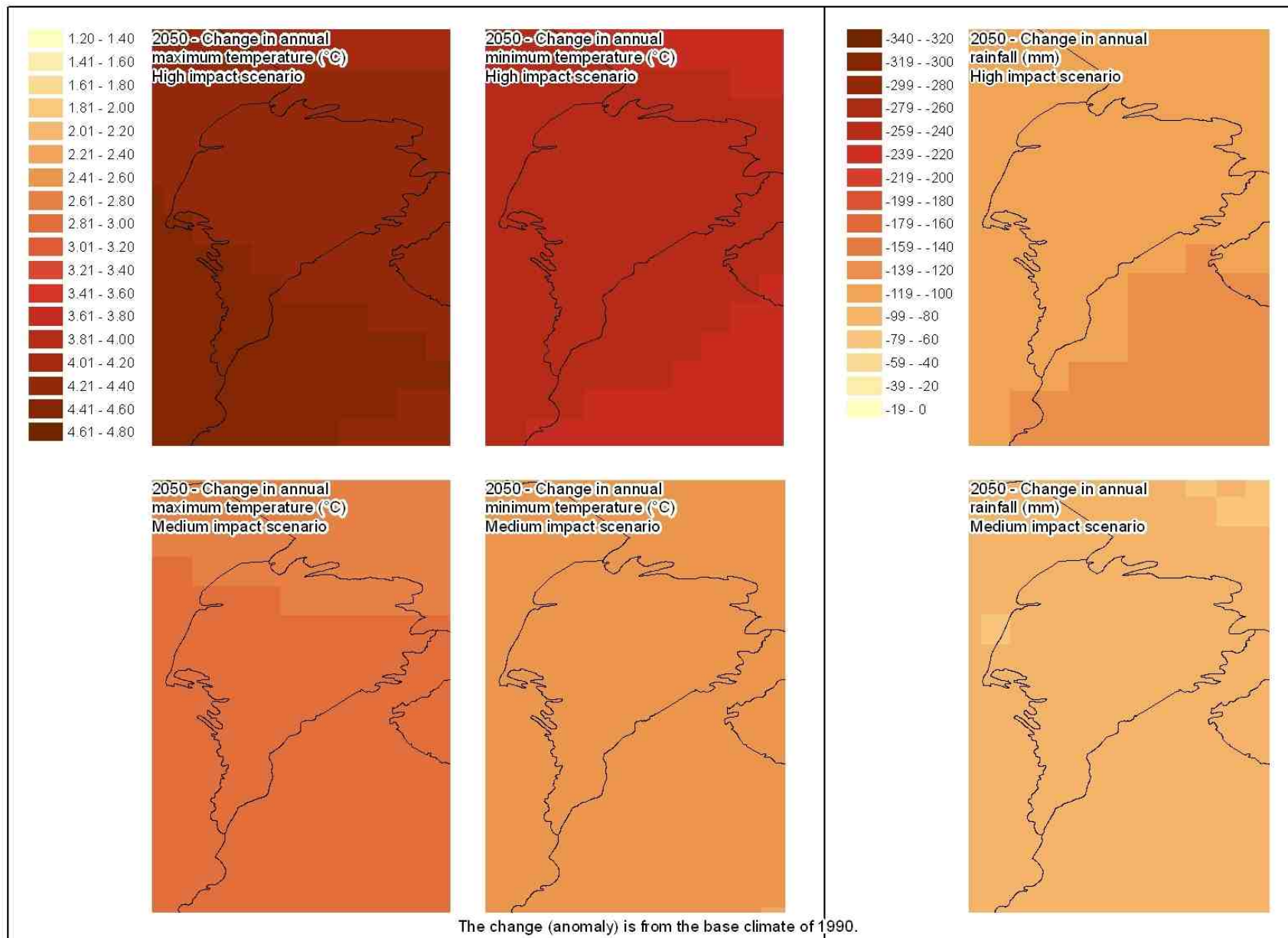
For more information see <https://wiki.csiro.au/confluence/display/ozclim/Science#Science-CSIRO35>

Medium Impact Scenario:

- *Emission Scenario:* Medium CO₂ emissions, peaking around 2030 (SRES Marker Scenario A1B)
- *Climate Sensitivity (Rate of Global Warming):* Moderate rate of global warming corresponds to a global warming of 2.6°C for a doubling of CO₂ from 280 ppm to 560 ppm.

High Impact Scenario:

- *Emission Scenario:* High CO₂ emissions, increasing throughout the 21st century (SRES Marker Scenario A1FI)
- *Climate Sensitivity (Rate of Global Warming):* High rate of global warming corresponds to a global warming of 4.2°C for a doubling of CO₂ from 280 ppm to 560 ppm.



BIODIVERSITY ASSETS

Native vegetation

Please see the GIS Branch intranet site for the latest annual statistics in the following report:

- [Statewide Vegetation Statistics \(Full report\)](#). Statistic: All statistics except 'Currently remaining on other lands'.

Vegetation Association descriptions can be viewed [here](#) (worksheet "Veg Assoc Descriptions").

Dominant vegetation associations

Dominant vegetation associations are those which together occupied 85% of the sub-region at the time of European settlement (when sorted from largest to smallest).

| Beard's veg assoc no. | Percentage of veg assoc within sub- region (%) | Pre- European extent (ha) | Current extent (ha) | Percentage remaining (%) | Currently remaining on DEC-managed lands (ha) | | | | Currently remaining on other lands (ha) | | |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | IUCN Ia-IV | Proposed for conservation | IUCN V-VI | Non-IUCN | Public lands | Leasehold lands | Freehold lands |
| 134 | 10.30 | 2,681,444 | 2,681,444 | 100.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,488,887 | 1,192,557 | 0 |

Unique vegetation associations

Unique vegetation associations are those which were largely restricted to only one sub-region at the time of European settlement (i.e. $\geq 85\%$ of the vegetation association falls within one sub-region).

| Beard's veg assoc no. | Percentage of veg assoc within sub- region (%) | Pre- European extent (ha) | Current extent (ha) | Percentage remaining (%) | Currently remaining on DEC-managed lands (ha) | | | | Currently remaining on other lands (ha) | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | IUCN Ia-IV | Proposed for conservation | IUCN V-VI | Non-IUCN | Public lands | Leasehold lands | Freehold lands |
| (No vegetation associations meet the unique criteria) | | | | | | | | | | | |

Rare vegetation associations

Rare vegetation associations are those which together occupied $\leq 1\%$ of the state at the time of European settlement. The table below lists any rare vegetation associations which fall within this sub-region.

| Beard's veg assoc no. | Percentage of veg assoc within sub- region (%) | Pre- European extent (ha) | Current extent (ha) | Percentage remaining (%) | Currently remaining on DEC-managed lands (ha) | | | | Currently remaining on other lands (ha) | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | IUCN Ia-IV | Proposed for conservation | IUCN V-VI | Non-IUCN | Public lands | Leasehold lands | Freehold lands |
| (No vegetation associations meet the rare criteria) | | | | | | | | | | | |