Kangaroo Harvest Program

QUARTER THREE REPORT 2022

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# Annual Quota

## 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 was 127,850, however, as a result of ongoing monitoring this quota amount was modified to 118,980, removing the release of quota from the North East and Lower Wimmera zones for release 3. The first release period of quota commenced 1 January, with the second release commencing 1 July and the third and final release commencing 1 October, 2022.

### 2022 Annual and staged release figures (where quota isn’t allocated, it can be carried over into the following release period)

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| **2022** | | | | |
| **Zone** | **Quota allocated**  **Release 1** | **Quota allocated**  **Release 2** | **Quota**  **Release 3** | **Total** |
| **Central** | 22,420 | 7,870 | 15,860 | 46,150 |
| **Gippsland** | 6,550 | 3,200 | 3,350 | 13,100 |
| **Lower Wimmera** | 15,275 | 7,640 | 0 | 22,915 |
| **Mallee** | 525 | 260 | 265 | 1,050 |
| **North East** | 2,475 | 1,210 | 30 | 3,715 |
| **Otway** | 7,650 | 2,750 | 10,250 | 20,650 |
| **Upper Wimmera** | 5,700 | 2,850 | 2,850 | 11,400 |
| **Total** | **60,595** | **25,780** | **32,605** | **118,980** |

# Quota Allocation - Release Two (July to September 2022)

## Overview

* 25,780 tags were allocated to harvesters across the state.
* 15,811 tags were consumed from Release Two.

### Allocation and consumption figures – Release Two

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| **Release Two (July to September 2022)** | | | | | | | |
| **Zone** | **Initial quota  Release 2** | **Quota carry over from Release 1** | **Actual quota Release 2** | **Quota allocated Release 2** | **Quota carry over from Release 2** | **Quota consumed Release 2** | **Harvesters who received allocations1** |
|
| **Central** | 11,540 | 655 | 12,195 | 7,870 | 4,325 | 5,832 | 39 |
| **Gippsland** | 3,280 | 0 | 3,280 | 3,200 | 80 | 1,649 | 18 |
| **Lower Wimmera** | 7,640 | 0 | 7,640 | 7,640 | 0 | 4,773 | 31 |
| **Mallee** | 265 | 0 | 265 | 260 | 5 | 0 | 2 |
| **North East** | 1,240 | 0 | 1,240 | 1,240 | 30 | 408 | 29 |
| **Otway** | 5,165 | 2,675 | 7,840 | 2,750 | 5,090 | 1,898 | 15 |
| **Upper Wimmera** | 2,850 | 0 | 2,850 | 2,850 | 0 | 1,251 | 17 |
| **Total** | **31,980** | **3,330** | **35,310** | **25,780** | **9,530** | **15,811** | - |

*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.*

# Quota Allocation - Annual

## Overview

* 60,595 tage were allocated in Release 1 and 25,780 tags were allocated in Release 2. This totaled 86,375 which is 72.6 percent of the annual (modified) 118,980 tags available.

### Allocation and consumption figures – until 30 September 2022

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **2022** | | | | |
| **Zone** | **Annual quota**  (modified) | **Total allocated quota**  (until 30 September) | **Quota remaining** | **Quota consumed**  (until 30 September) |
| **Central** | 46,150 | 30,290 | 15,860 | 19,734 |
| **Gippsland** | 13,100 | 9,750 | 3,350 | 5,063 |
| **Lower Wimmera** | 22,915 | 22,915 | 0 | 16,907 |
| **Mallee** | 1,050 | 785 | 265 | 375 |
| **North East** | 3,715 | 3,685 | 30 | 1,540 |
| **Otway** | 20,650 | 10,400 | 10,250 | 6,632 |
| **Upper Wimmera** | 11,400 | 8,550 | 2,850 | 5,467 |
| **Total** | **118,980** | **86,375** | **32,605** | **55,718** |

# Harvest Information

## 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.

### Harvest summary figures - Release one

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Release Two (July to September 2022)** | | | | | |
|  | **Number of western grey kangaroos** | **Number of eastern grey kangaroos** | **Number of females** | **Tagged carcasses Stored for processor2** | **Tagged carcasses left on the property** |
| **Total** | 2,573 | 9,157 | 5,164 | 15,944 | 276 |

*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*.

# Compliance Figures

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **April – June** | | |
| **Number of programmed inspections** | 3 |
| **Number of offences detected/reported** | 0 |
| **Number of investigations** | 3 |
| **Number of Authorisations suspended or cancelled** | 2 |