



Australian  
Wildlife  
Conservancy



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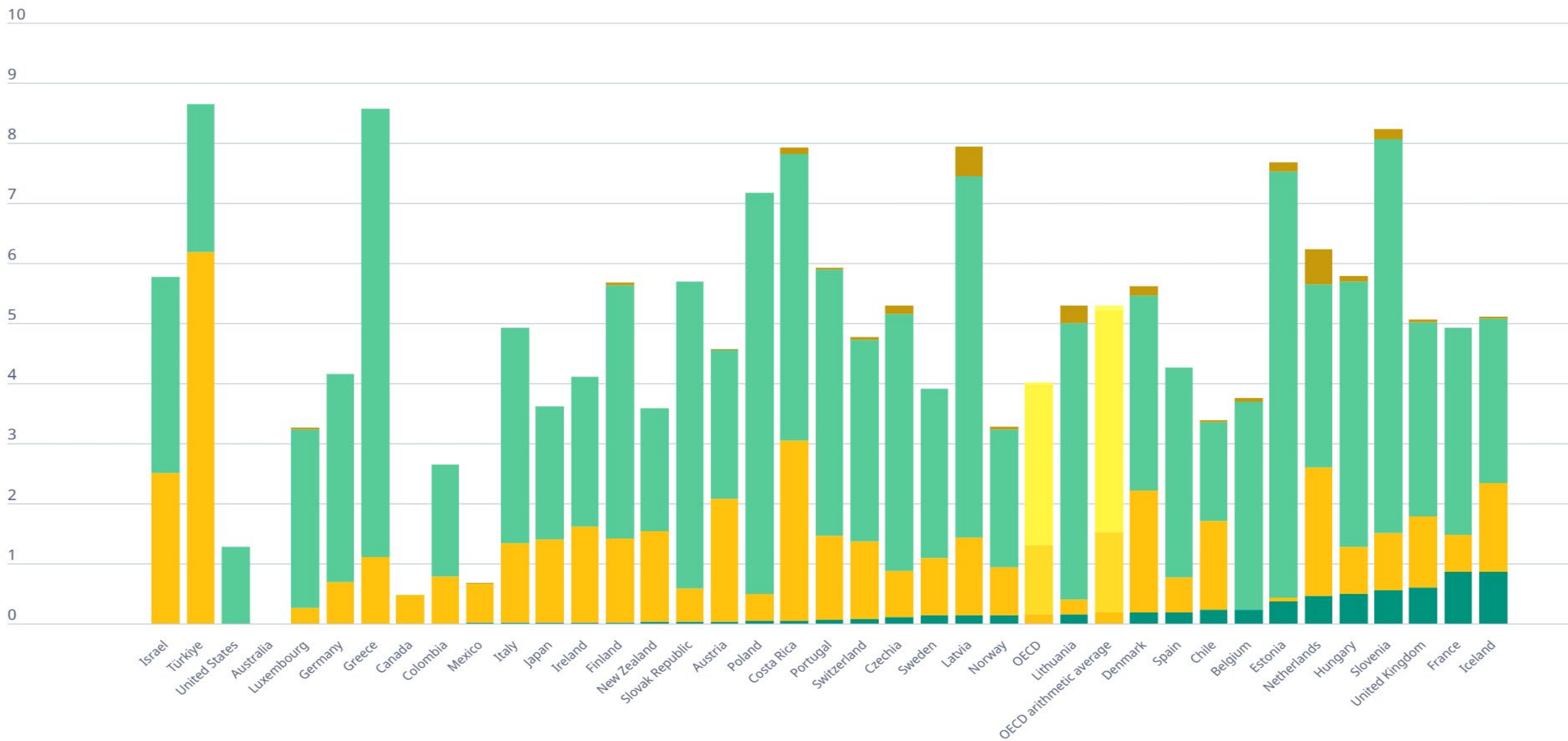




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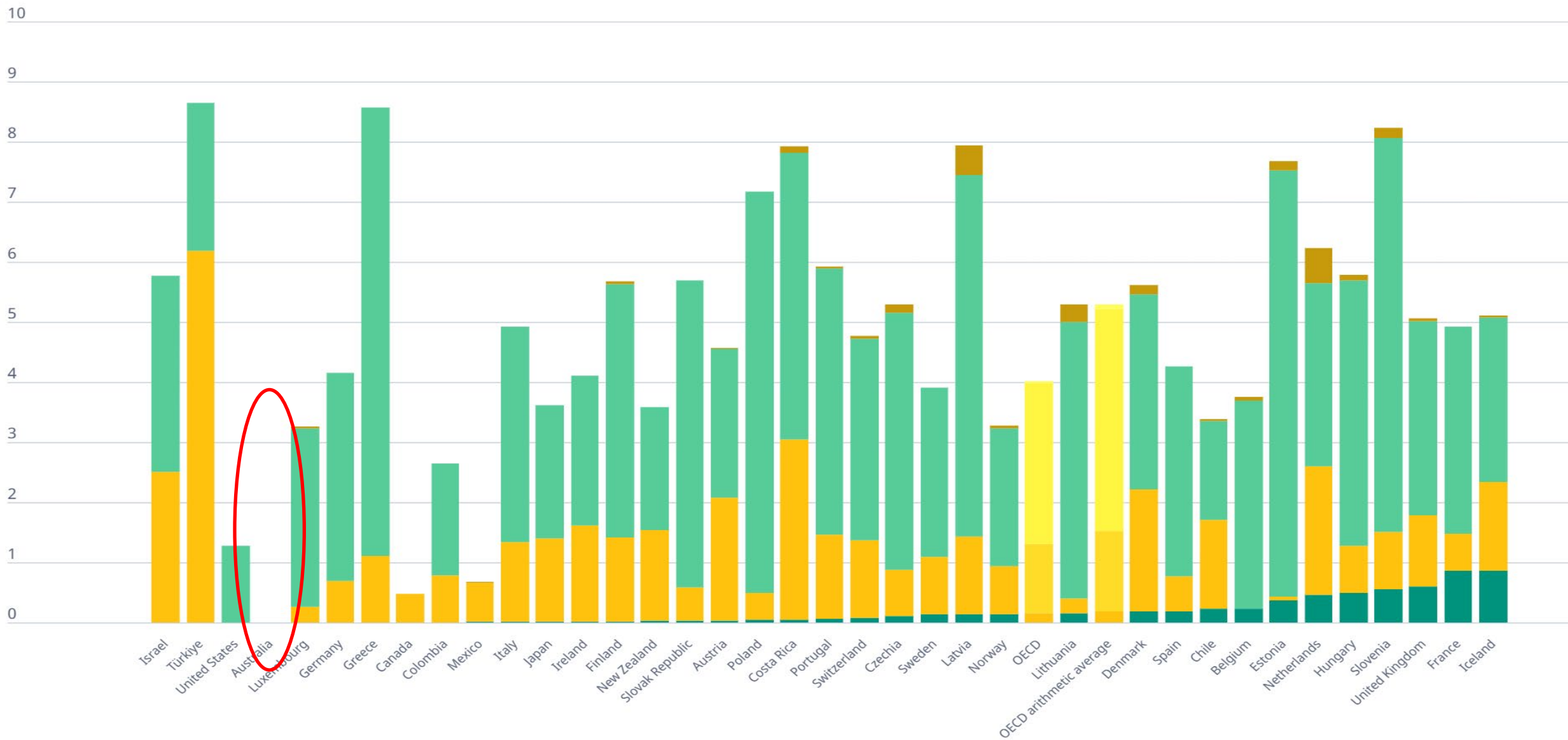
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# A history of conservation blunders...

1788

1859

1935

1855

1925

2001



# Australia's extinction crisis



**Christmas  
Island  
pipistrelle**  
EXTINCT (2000s)



**Yallara  
(lesser bilby)**  
EXTINCT (1960s)



**White-  
chested  
white-eye**  
EXTINCT (2000s)



**Mountain  
mist frog**  
EXTINCT (1990s)

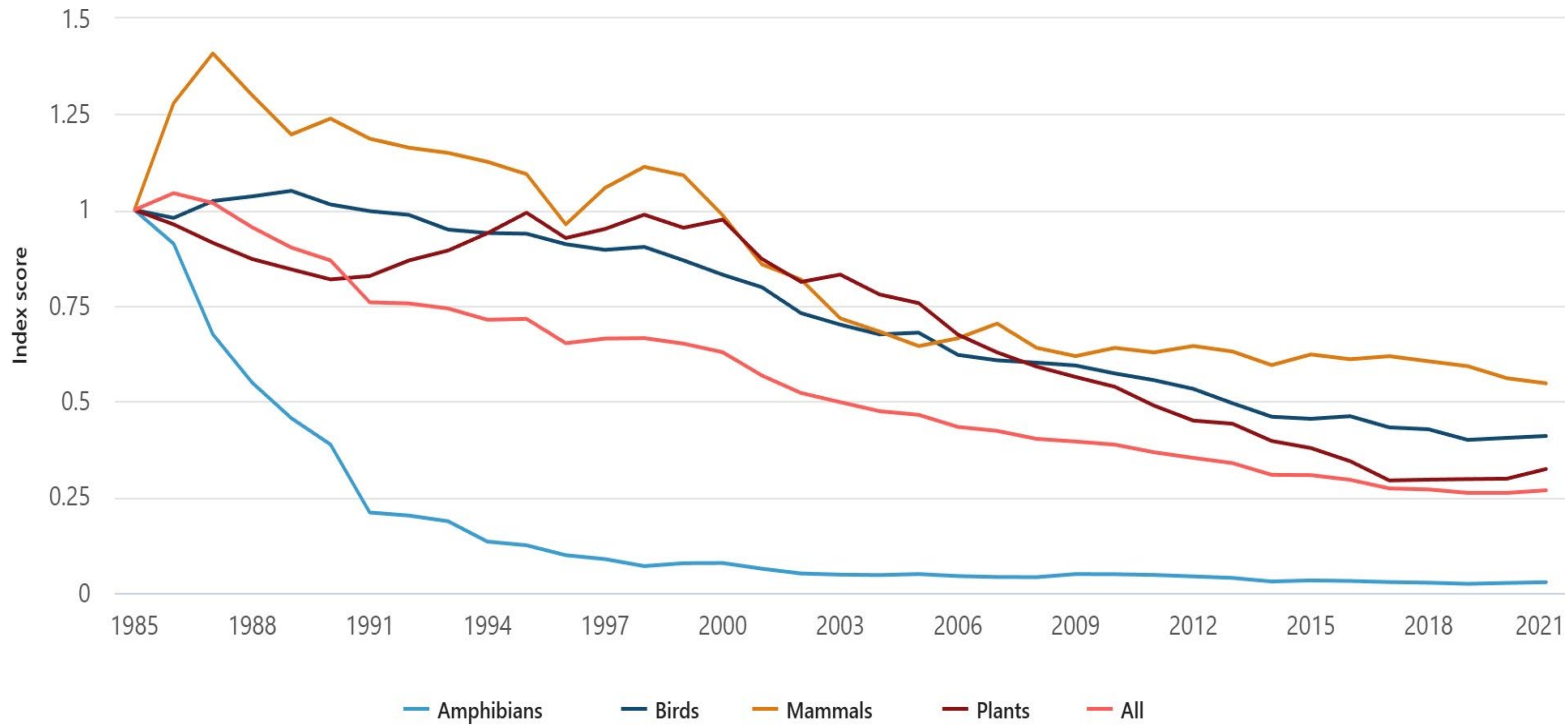


**Sharp-  
snouted day  
frog**  
EXTINCT (1990s)



**Desert  
bandicoot**  
EXTINCT (1970s)

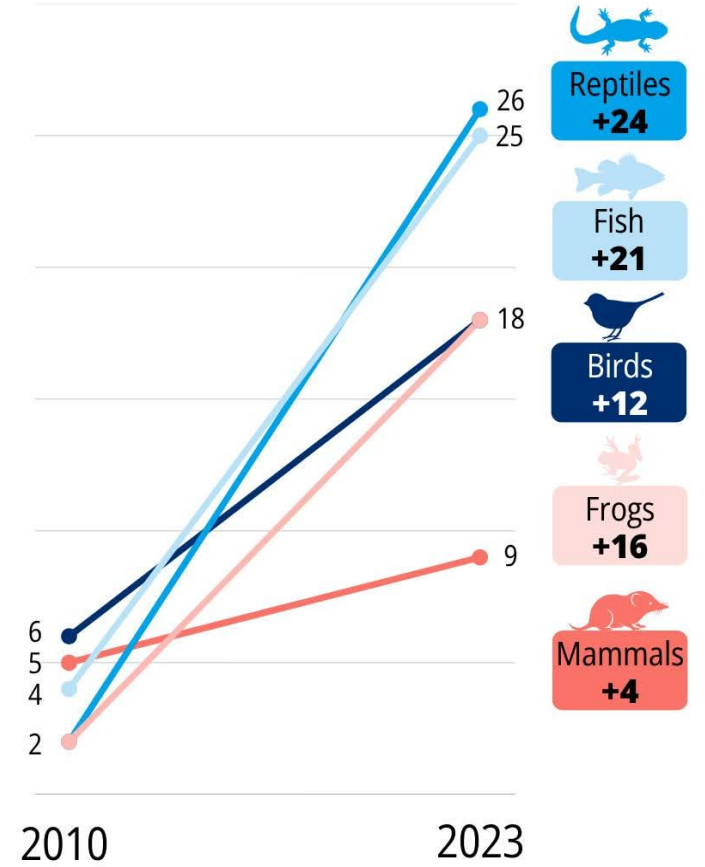
Indexes of relative abundance of Australia's threatened and near-threatened species (a)




a. The index does not include all threatened species, and is continually being expanded to increase the species included.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Biological diversity

## Number of species declared 'critically endangered' increases



Source: ABS, National Ecosystem Accounts, experimental estimates, 2022–23

A landscape photograph of a rugged cliff at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm orange glow over the scene. The cliff face is dark and textured, with some sparse vegetation. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

**Most conservation failures are not ecological,  
they are human**



## Our Mission

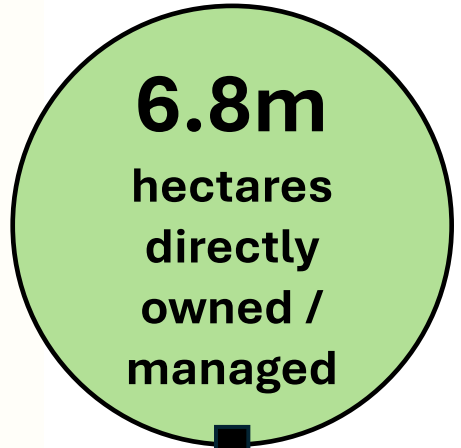
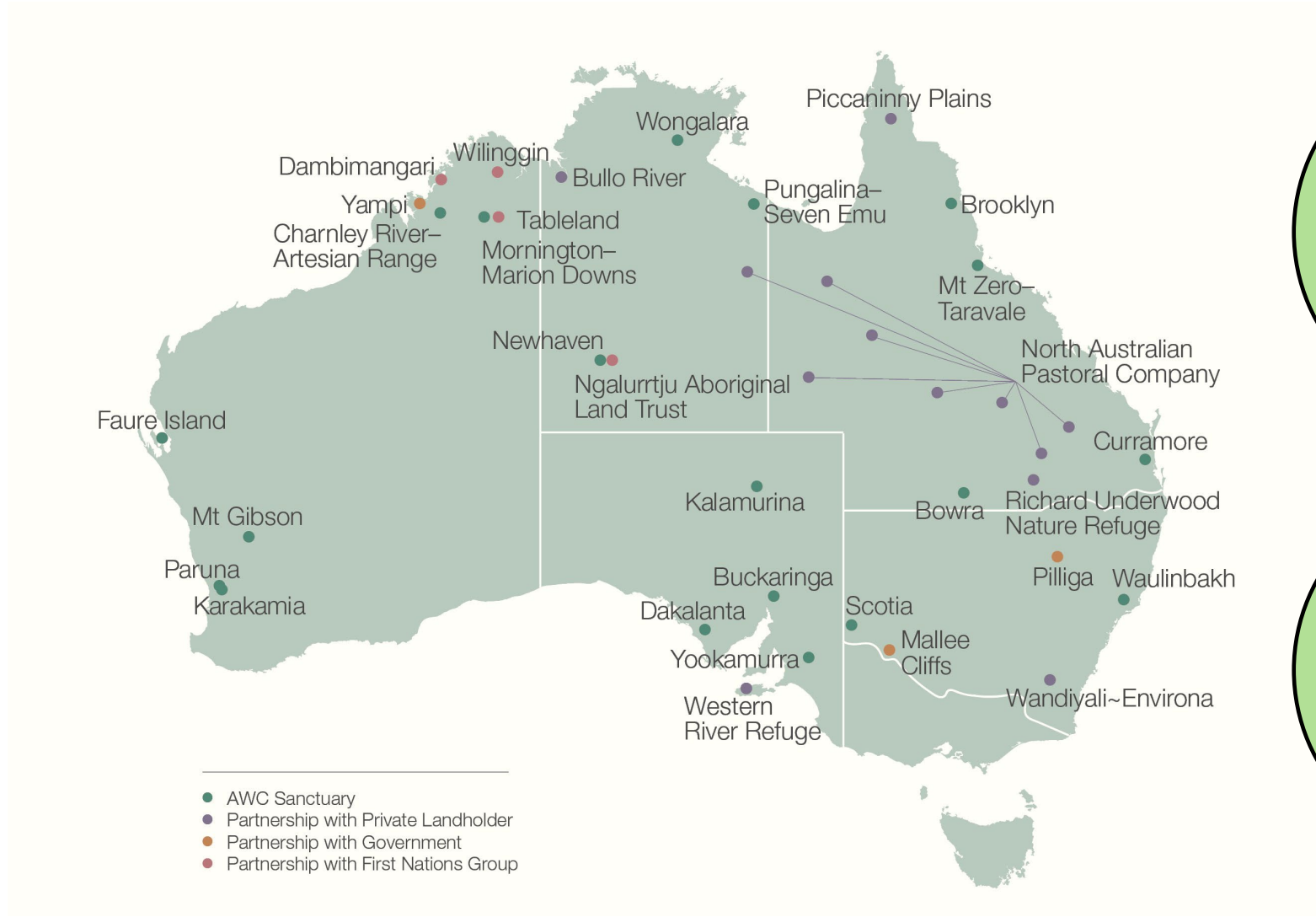
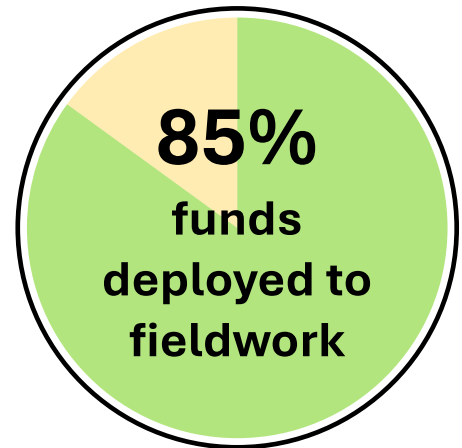
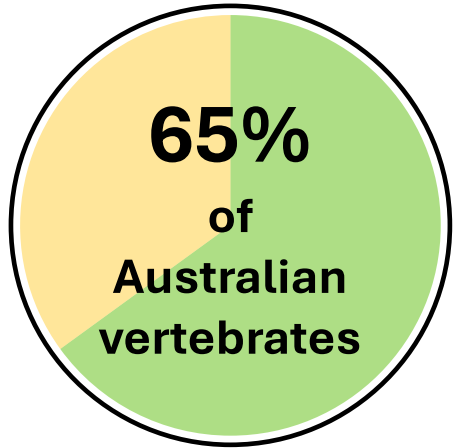
The effective conservation of all  
Australian wildlife and  
their habitats

## Our Vision

A world where Australia's  
biodiversity is valued and  
effectively conserved  
by an engaged community

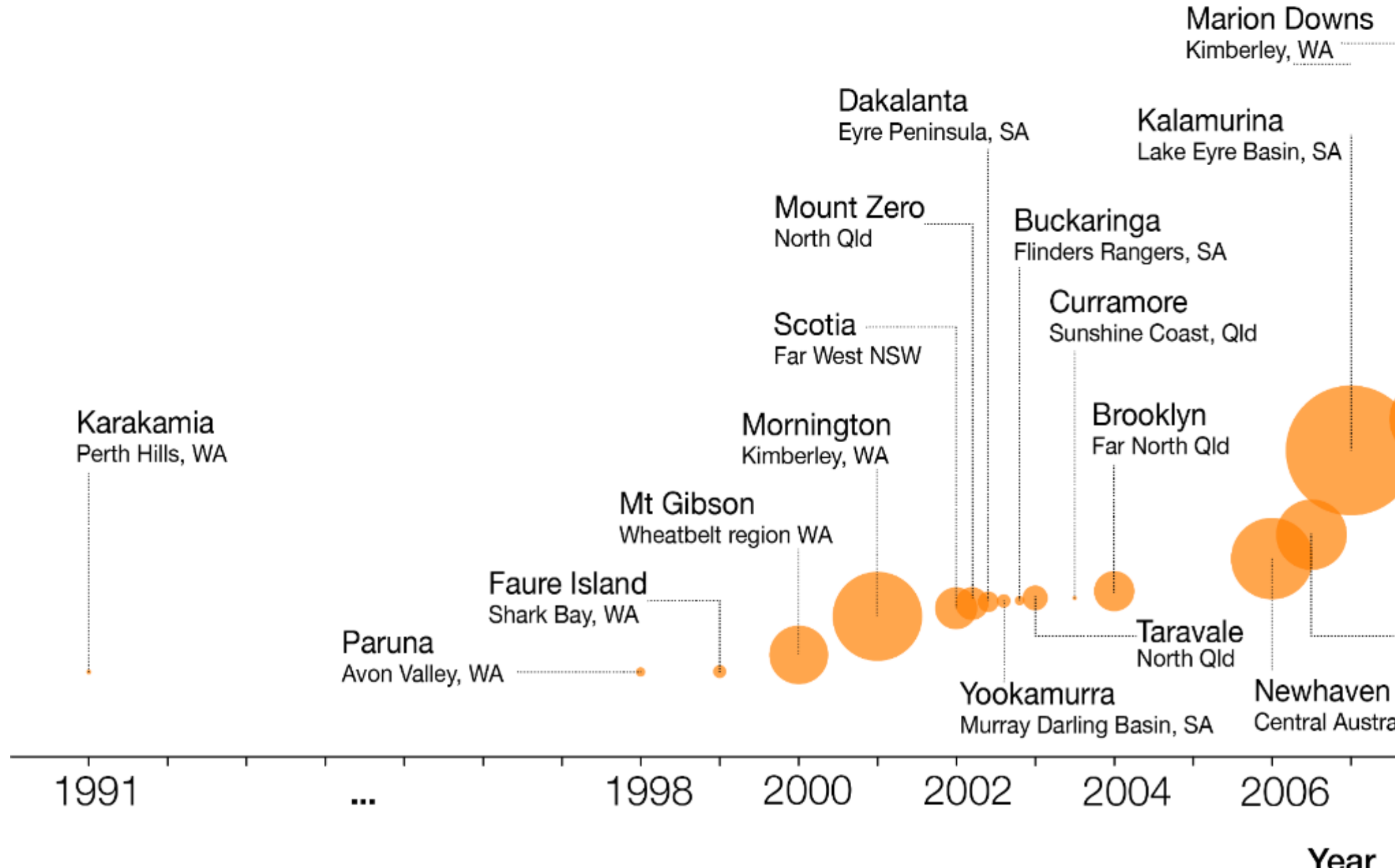


# Australian Wildlife Conservancy





# Scaling up effective conservation





***"What's been achieved in northern Australia is incredible... This is arguably the most significant human ecological feat in the world."***

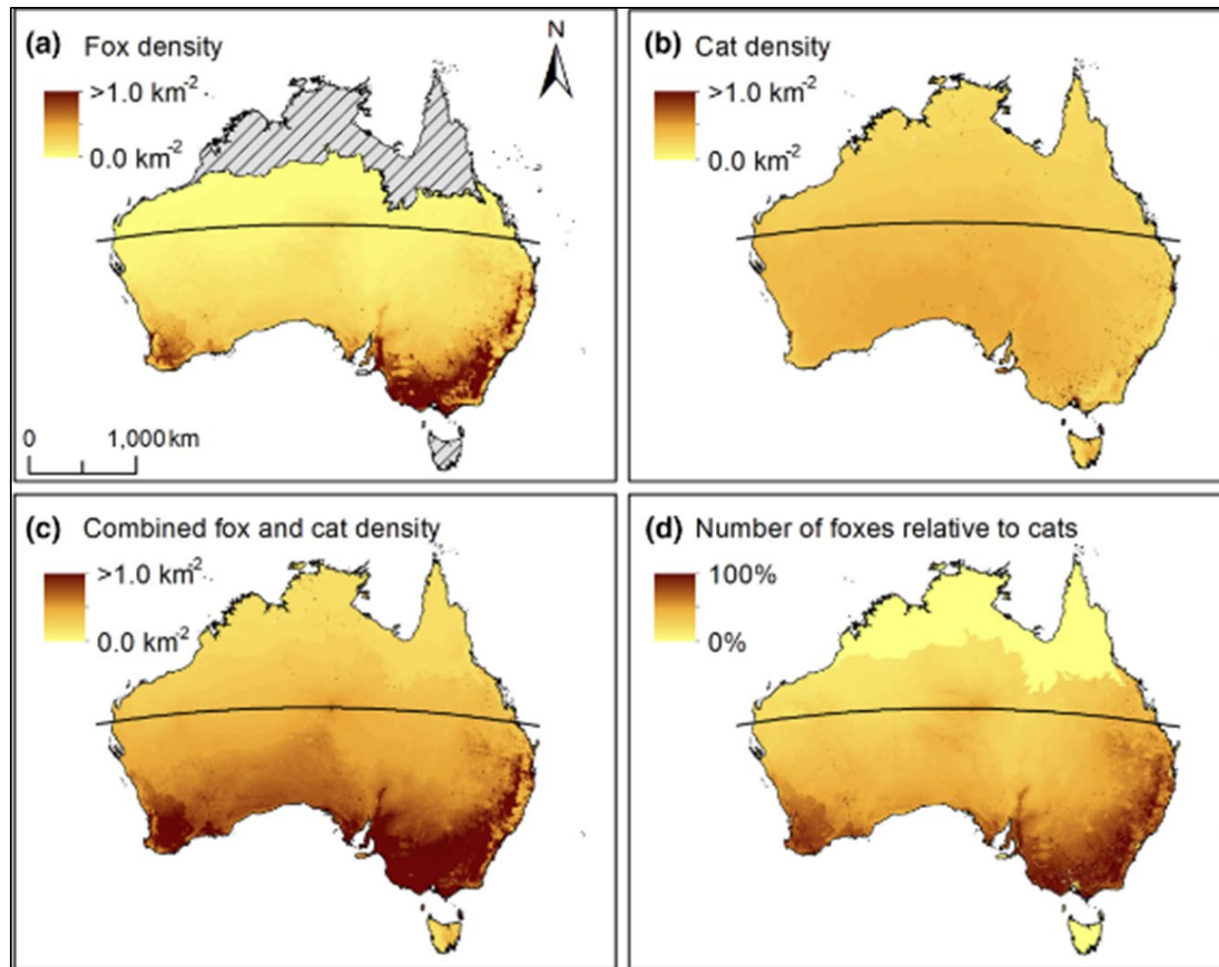
*Rohan Fisher, Senior Research Fellow at Charles Darwin University*





In Australia, cats & foxes kill more than 1.7 Billion animals each year.





# Standing between wildlife and extinction



Bilby

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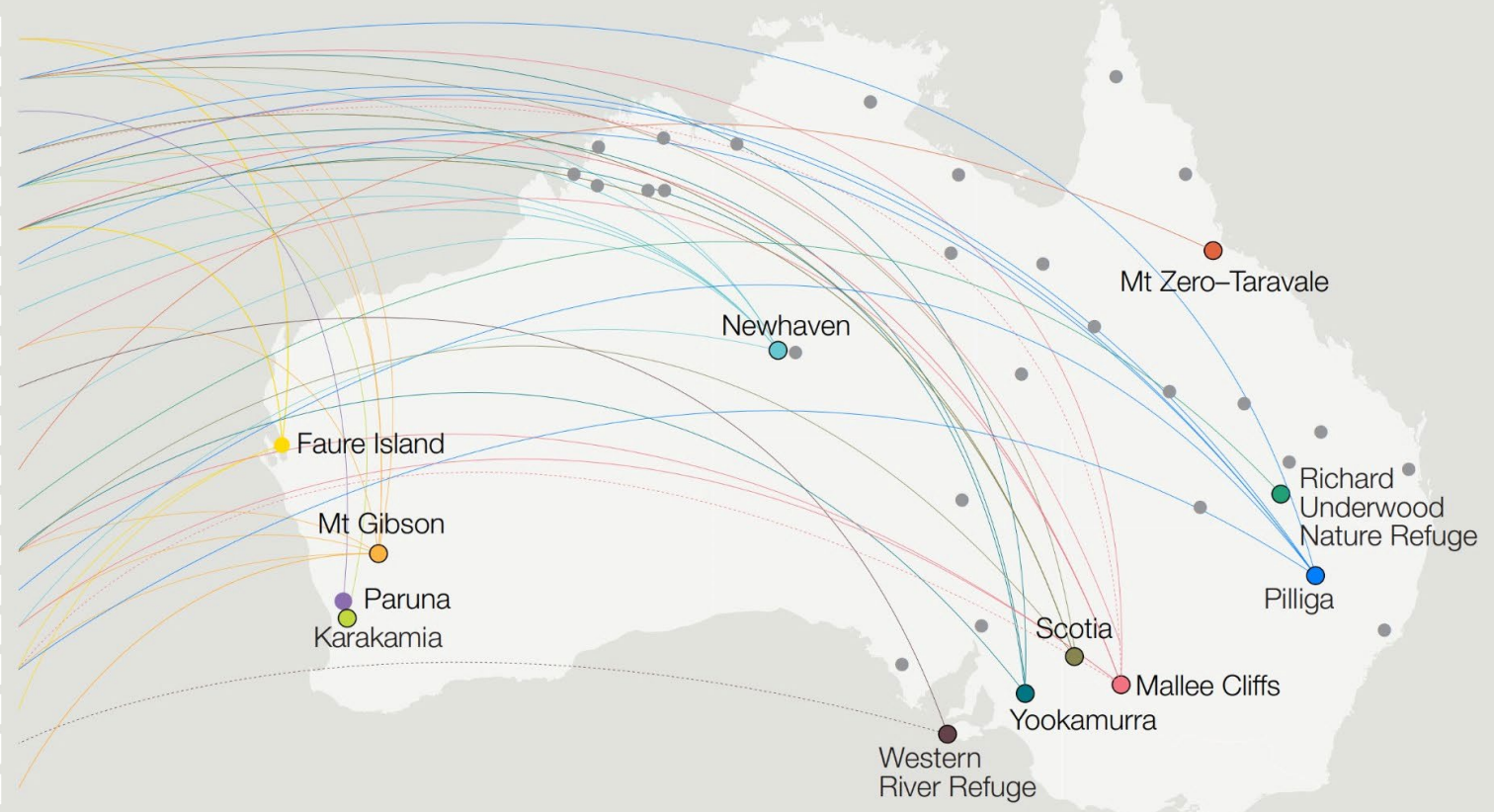
Bilby

Feral Cat

# Bringing species back from the brink

- Banded Hare-wallaby
- ● ● ● ● ● Bilby
- Black-flanked Rock-wallaby
- ● Bridled Nailtail Wallaby
- ● ● ● ● ● Brush-tailed Bettong
- ● ● ● ● ● Burrowing Bettong
- Central Rock-rat
- Golden Bandicoot
- ● Greater Stick-nest Rat
- Kangaroo Island Dunnart
- Mala
- Northern Bettong
- Northern Hairy-nosed Wombat
- ● ● Numbat
- Plains Mouse
- ● ● Red-tailed Phascogale
- ○ ● Shark Bay Bandicoot
- Shark Bay Mouse
- Southern Brown Bandicoot
- Western Quoll

- Sanctuary key**
- Faure Island
  - Karakamia
  - Mt Gibson
  - Mt Zero-Taravale
  - Mallee Cliffs
  - Newhaven
  - Pilliga
  - Paruna
  - Richard Underwood Nature Refuge
  - Scotia
  - Western River Refuge
  - Yookamurra
- Planned reintroduction this year
  - Fenced safe haven established on sanctuary or partnership area
  - Other AWC sanctuaries and partnership areas





# Ecohealth Report 2023



Charnley River – Artesian Range Wildlife Sanctuary



Size: 300,059 ha  
Bioregion: Central Kimberley

| Metric value             | Year <sup>A</sup> | Performance/comments   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1.1<br>75%<br>0.7<br>33% | 2023              | On Artesian, abundance and occupancy are stable but consistently lower than before cane toad arrival [2018–20]. On Charnley, no notable decline in 4 years; although metrics likely higher prior the arrival of cane toads |
| 1.1<br>2%                | 2021              | Restricted to the Artesian Range. Tentative status as difficult to distinguish Northern Brown Bandicoot from camera images   |

| Year <sup>A</sup> | Comments on status and trend  |
|-------------------|---|
| 19–23             | Grassland Melomys only confirmed terrestrial mammal not detected in last 5 years, see below |
| 19–23             | Most of the species not recorded are microbats which require targeted surveys               |
| 21                | No trend but highly variable associated with rainfall                                       |
| 23                | Increase in occupancy over 4 years  |
| 23                | Steady occupancy over last 4 years (20–33%)   |
| 23                | Increase in recent years likely associated with rainfall                                    |
| 23                | High degree of variability across years associated with rainfall                            |
| 23                | No apparent trend   |
| 23                | Overall decline since 2016. Species generally responds positively to disturbance            |
| 23                | Highly degree of variability across years associated with rainfall                          |
| 23                | Similar occupancy over last 4 years   |
| 23                | Restricted to the Artesian Range where it is common   |
| 23                | Not detected in last 10 years. No recent surveys  |
| 23                | Limited extent of preferred habitat on CRAR   |

# AWC's Strategic Plan 2025 – 2035

**Integrity:**  
protecting what  
got us here

**Ambition:**  
expanding our impact

## Delivering effective wildlife conservation

*We will increase the number of threatened species we protect*

- Increasing the protection and recovery of threatened species
- Effectively conserving all Australian wildlife
- Responding to climate change



## Extending our conservation reach



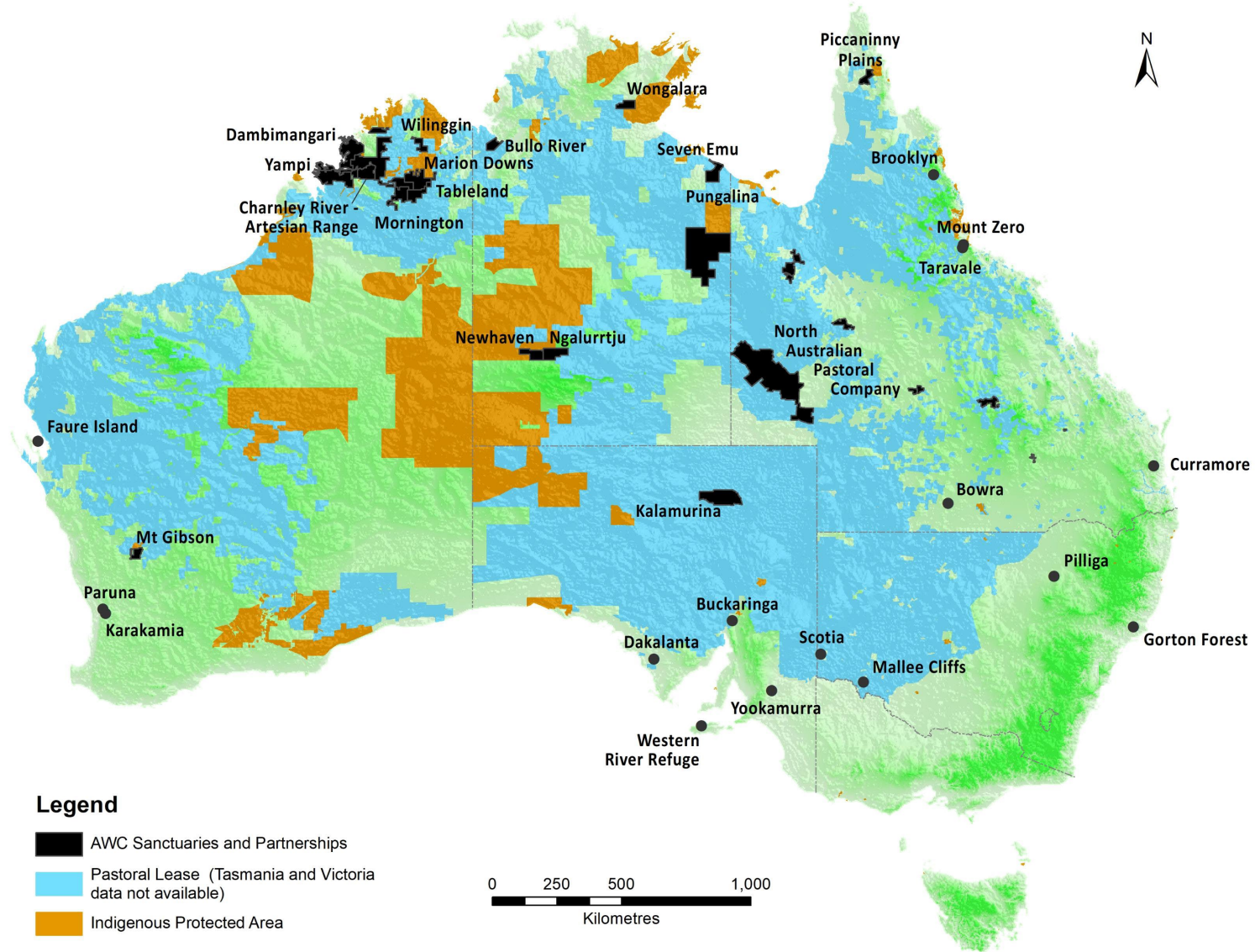
*We will increase our impact and influence to 5% of the Australian continent over the next decade*

- Strengthening First Nations partnerships
- Expanding government partnerships
- Partnering with corporate, pastoral and private landholders
- Adapting for climate change
- Securing high-priority habitat via strategic acquisition





# Partnering for effective conservation

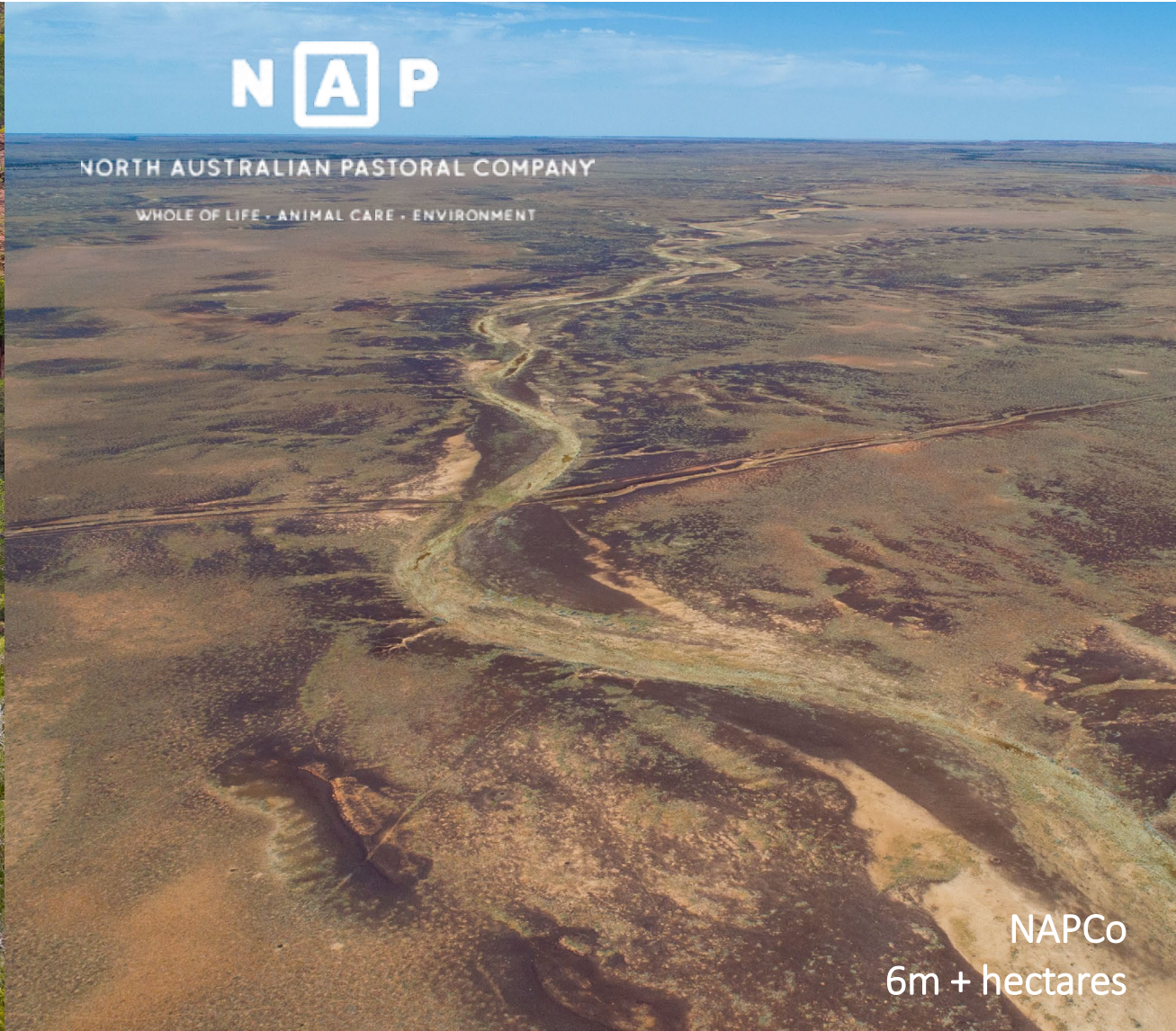




# Pastoral partnerships



Bullo River Station  
160,000 hectares



NORTH AUSTRALIAN PASTORAL COMPANY  
WHOLE OF LIFE · ANIMAL CARE · ENVIRONMENT


NAPCo  
6m + hectares



## Empowering and engaging our people

*Conservation success starts with people*

- Attracting, empowering and keeping skilled people
- Inspiring, developing, and fostering great leadership
- Advancing safety, physical, and mental wellbeing

A man with a beard and a headlamp is kneeling in a dark, outdoor setting at night. He is wearing a blue jacket and blue jeans. He is holding a dead rodent, possibly a kangaroo rat, which has a long, curved horn. The background is dark with some sparse vegetation. The text is overlaid on the image in white, bold font.

**What matters more than any reserve or species  
is how we work with people - including ourselves**





**We all make  
mistakes ...**



**Invest in  
your people  
and  
yourself**

**Connecting  
People to  
Nature**







**1. Model the way**

**2. Inspire a shared vision**

**3. Challenge the process**

**4. Enable others to act**

**5. Encourage the heart**



An aerial photograph of a lush green forest with a body of water on the left. Three semi-transparent circles are overlaid on the image, each containing a different phrase. The circles are arranged horizontally across the middle of the frame. The background shows a dense forest of various green trees and shrubs, with some rocky terrain visible on the right side. The water is dark and occupies the left portion of the image.

**Be curious**

**Be bold**

**Be urgent**



Get shit done..



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