

GIPA - DPE – 23 – 2876

Record #1

For the financial years: 2021-22, 2020-21, 2019 -2020, and 2018-2019:

Item #1 The total area of gazetted National Parks and Reserves in NSW.

	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Area of gazetted NPW reserves	7,595,771	7,447,237	7,221,456	7,156,289

Item #3: The annual budget of the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS).

NPWS is a directorate embedded within the broader Department of Planning and Environment, with many services delivered centrally without direct cost allocation to NPWS. NPWS is not a standalone legal entity and does not produce separate, audited and published accounts for its activities.

Item #6: The number of FTE employees working for NPWS.

	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Number of FTE employees – excluding casuals	2011 (at 1 July 2022)	1996 (at 1 July 2021)	1815 (at 26 October 2020)	1633 (at 1 July 2019)

Item #9: The annual wages and salary cost of all NPWS staff.

\$'000	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Wages/Salary Costs of NPWS biodiversity and conservation staff	221,321.45	207,971.24	246,566.64	189,314.56

Item #10: The annual wages/salary cost of all DPIE biodiversity conservation program staff.

\$'000	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Wages/Salary Costs of NPWS biodiversity and conservation staff	25,095	24,482	23,885	23,303

Items #4, #5, #7, #8

For the financial years: 2021-22, 2020-21, 2019 -2020, and 2018-2019, the following details of the NSW national parks estate:

1. The annual budget of DPIE for biodiversity conservation programs on public land (excluding the NPWS).
2. The annual budget of DPIE for biodiversity conservation programs on private land (excluding the NPWS).
3. The number of FTE employees working for DPIE on biodiversity conservation programs on public land (excluding NPWS employees)
4. The number of FTE employees working for DPIE biodiversity conservation programs on private land (excluding NPWS employees).
5. The annual wages and salary cost of all DPIE biodiversity conservation program staff.

Caveats

- Since 2018-19 there have been multiple and significant departmental and inter-departmental restructures, resulting in the transfer of functions into and out of departmental/organisational structures. Each change has impacted the structure of the datasets, data source and data custodians. Datasets have been filtered differently each year to provide the best available estimate of budget and staffing over time.
- Budget figures are total actuals for each financial year (1st July – 30th June).
- FTE figures are variable over a financial year, so the figure on the last day of each financial year has been provided (30th June). The exception is for the 2018-19 FY, where a figure on the 31st December 2019 has been provided. This is because, in 2019, SAP replaced the Aurion system to track workforce establishment.
- Due to the nature of our work, Biodiversity, Conservation and Science *could* apply to on-park activities.
- Datasets are restricted to the Environment and Heritage Group.
 - Datasets include:
 - Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate
 - Biodiversity Conservation Divisions
 - Science Economics and Insights Divisions
 - Some sections of the Policy Division
 - Datasets excludes:

- NPWS and portfolio agencies separate to the Department (i.e., Biodiversity Conservation Trust, Lord Howe Island, Taronga Conservation Society Australia, Jenolan Caves Trust)
- Governance, Strategy and Coordination Division (Ministerial Services, Delivery Office, Grants, Strategic Coordination, Business Advisory, Communications & Media, and Nature Positive Roadmap)
- Credit Supply Taskforce
- Heritage NSW.

The annual budget of DPIE for biodiversity conservation programs on public land (excluding the NPWS) and private land (excluding the NPWS).

	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Approximate annual budget (actuals from each financial year) (\$'000)	245,688	194,126	189,880	187,859

The annual wages and salary cost of all DPIE biodiversity conservation program staff (excluding the NPWS).

	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Approximate annual wages and salary costs (\$'000) - EHG	106,501	99,268	98,725	94,792

The number of FTE employees working for DPIE on biodiversity conservation programs on public land (excluding NPWS employees) and private land (excluding the NPWS)

	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Approximate no. of FTE employees (approx.)	831.24	737.04	684.90	722.83