Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability Victoria

Victorian State of the Environment 2023 Report

Report Indicators

VICTORIA State Government

Indicator assessment dashboard

Indicator assessment overview

The indicator assessment dashboard provides a high-level overview of the status, trend and data confidence assessments for all 139 SoE 2023 indicators followed by a summary of the indicator assessment report cards detailed in Appendix D. Because some indicators have multiple assessments – for example, for multiple regions or for different environmental conditions (years with and without bushfires for instance) – the total number of assessments exceeds the total number of indicators. A total of 166 status assessments, 171 trend assessments and 172 data confidence assessments were conducted for the 139 SoE 2023 indicator suite.

Overall summary of status assessments

Table 1: Summary of status assessments for SoE 2023 indicators.

Status	Good	Fair	Poor	Unknown	Total
Climate change	0	5	6	0	11
Air	5	8	5	4	22
Biodiversity	1	6	26	9	42
Land	2	4	1	4	11
Forests	3	9	6	8	26
Fire	0	2	3	0	5
Inland waters	8	15	6	8	37
Energy	1	3	2	0	6
Waste and resource recovery	0	2	4	0	6
Total	**20**	**54**	**59**	**33**	**166**
%	**12**	**32.5**	**35.5**	**20**	**100**

Note: Six assessments have 'not applicable' as the status and are not included.

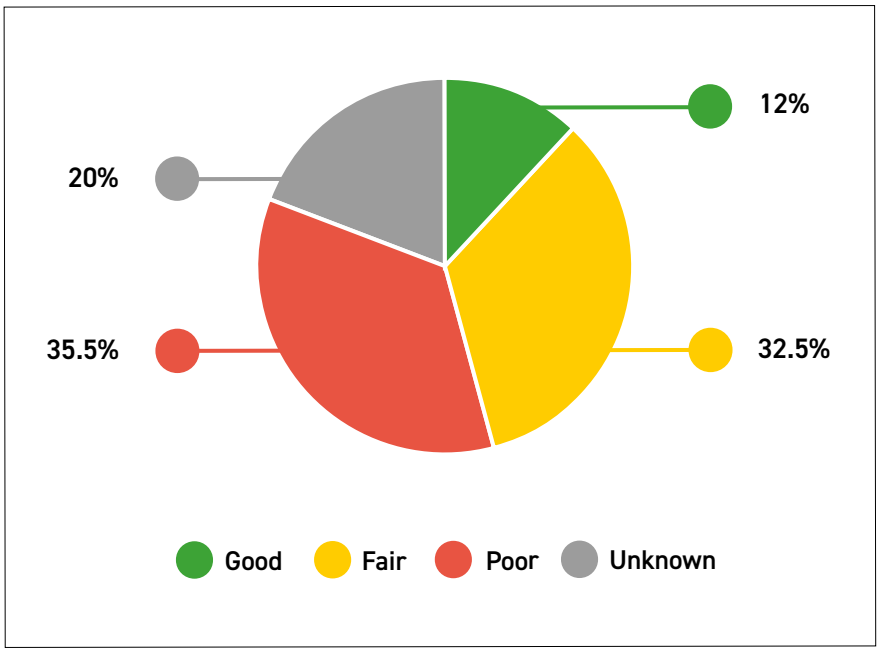

Figure 1: Breakdown of status assessments for SoE 2023 indicators.

Overall summary of trend assessments

Table 2: Summary of trend assessments for SoE 2023 indicators.

Trend	Improving	Stable	Deteriorating	Unclear	Total
Climate change	1	3	9	2	**15**
Air	1	9	3	9	**22**
Biodiversity	2	8	20	12	**42**
Land	3	1	1	7	**12**
Forests	5	1	11	9	**26**
Fire	0	1	4	0	**5**
Inland waters	16	8	10	3	**37**
Energy	5	1	0	0	**6**
Waste and resource recovery	0	2	2	2	**6**
Total	**33**	**34**	**60**	**44**	**171**
%	**19**	**20**	**35**	**26**	**100**

Note: One indicator, 'L:01 Land-cover classes in Victoria', was not applicable for a trend assessment and is not included.

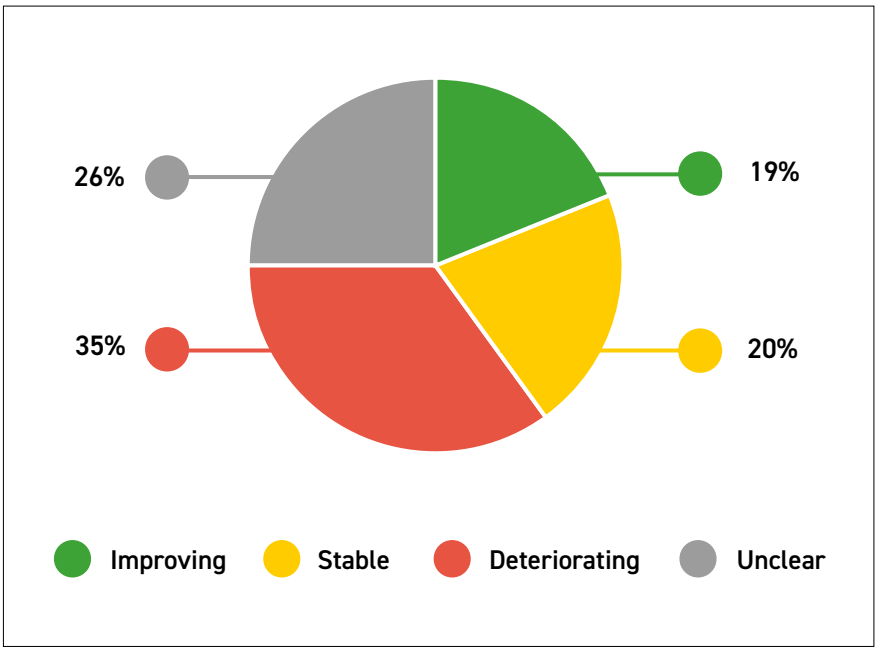

Figure 2: Breakdown of trend assessments for SoE 2023 indicators.

Overall summary of confidence assessments

Table 3: Summary of data confidence assessments for SoE 2023 indicators.

Data confidence	High	Moderate	Low	Insufficient	Total
Climate change	11	3	1	0	**15**
Air	11	6	5	0	**22**
Biodiversity	11	18	4	9	**42**
Land	2	2	3	6	**13**
Forests	10	10	6	0	**26**
Fire	4	1	0	0	**5**
Inland waters	29	4	0	4	**37**
Energy	6	0	0	0	**6**
Waste and resource recovery	0	2	4	0	**6**
Total	**84**	**46**	**23**	**19**	**172**
%	**49**	**27**	**13**	**11**	**100**

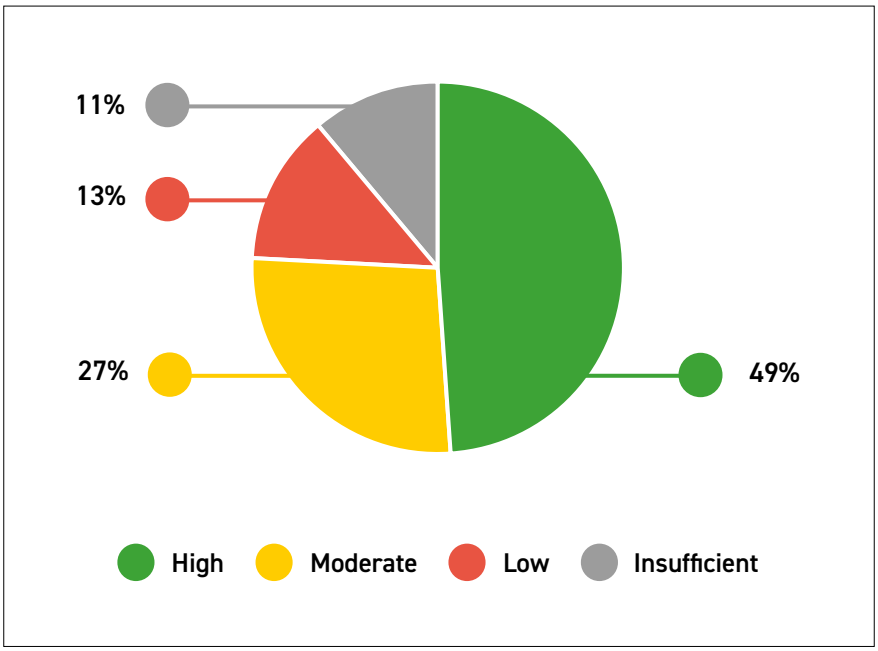

Figure 3: Breakdown of data confidence assessments for SoE 2023 indicators.

Indicator assessment report card summaries

The colour and symbol keys for the assessments are as follows:

Key to status

Good

Fair

Poor

Unknown

Not applicable

Narrative but not assessed

Key to trend

Improving

Stable

Deteriorating

Unclear

Not applicable

Narrative but not assessed

Key to confidence

High

Moderate

Low

Insufficient

Not applicable

Narrative but not assessed

Cultural landscape health and management

No indicator assessments have been undertaken for this theme

Climate change — Impacts

CCIm:01 Observed surface temperature

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	BOM		

CCIm:02 Observed average rainfall

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	BOM		

CCIm:03 Snow cover

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Falls Creek, Mount Buller, Mount Hotham			
Mount Baw Baw, Lake Mountain			
Data source(s):	Academic researchers, DELWP		

CCIm:04 Sea level and coastal inundation

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Victoria's coastline			
Data source(s):	BOM		

CCIm:05 Sea-surface temperature

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Victoria's marine environment			
Data source(s):	BOM, CSIRO		

CCIm:06 Projected changes in temperature

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	BOM, CSIRO		

CCIm:07 Projected changes to average rainfall			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	N/A	↙	●
Data source(s):	BOM, CSIRO		

CCIm:08 Regional climate projections			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	N/A	↙	●
Data source(s):	BOM, CSIRO, DELWP		

CCIm:09 Projected sea level			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Victoria's coastline	N/A	↙	●
Data source(s):	BOM, CSIRO		

CCIm:10 Occurrence and impacts of extreme weather			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	●	↙	●
Data source(s):	Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience, BOM, CSIRO, Deloitte Access Economics, DOH, Insurance Council of Australia		

Climate change — Mitigation

CCM:11 Annual greenhouse gas emissions			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	●	↗	●
Data source(s):	ABS, DCCEEW		

CCM:12 Victorian ecosystem carbon stocks			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Land sector	●	?	●
Marine and coastal sector	●	?	●
Data source(s):	Academic researchers, DELWP		

CCM:13 Stratospheric ozone			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	●	→	●
Data source(s):	BOM, CSIRO		

Climate change — Adaptation

No indicator assessments have been undertaken for this theme

Air

A:01 Particle pollution ($PM_{2.5}$ and PM_{10})

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Geelong			
Latrobe Valley and Melbourne			
Elsewhere across Victoria			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:02 Ambient ozone levels

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Latrobe Valley			
Geelong and Melbourne			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:03 Carbon monoxide

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:04 Nitrogen dioxide

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide		 (Melbourne)	
Statewide		 (Geelong and Latrobe Valley)	
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:05 Sulfur dioxide

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:06 Population exposure to air pollution			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	 (years with significant bushfires)		
Statewide	 (other years)		
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:07 Pollen			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	University of Melbourne		

A:08 Odour			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:09 Noise			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

A:10 Light pollution			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	Academic researchers		

A:11 Health impacts of air pollution			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	Academic researchers, EPA Victoria		

A:12 Health impacts of noise pollution			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Melbourne			
Rest of Victoria			
Data source(s):	Academic researchers		

A:13 Indoor air quality			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	 (schools and aged care facilities)		
Statewide	 (residential buildings during periods of bushfire smoke)		
Statewide	 (all other scenarios)		
Data source(s):	Academic researchers		

A:14 Health impacts from pollen			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	ABS, academic researchers		

Biodiversity

B:01 Changes in land cover			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:02 Wetlands			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:03 Health and status of Victorian inland Ramsar wetlands			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Inland Ramsar sites: Barmah Forest, Edithvale Seaford wetlands Gunbower Forest, Hattah–Kulkyne Lakes, Kerang Wetlands, Lake Albacutya, Western District Lakes			
Data source(s):	DELWP, PV, Melbourne Water		

B:04 Groundwater-dependent ecosystems			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, Melbourne Water, CSIRO		

B:05 Rivers			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	CMAs, DELWP		

B:06 Riparian vegetation			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
CMA and local reaches level			
Data source(s):	DELWP, VEAC		

B:07 Floodplains			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, VEAC		

B:08 Grasslands			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Victorian Volcanic Plain, Wimmera Plain, Gippsland Plain and Warrnambool Plain bioregions			
Data source(s):	DELWP, Grassy Plains Network, VEAC		

B:09 Alpine			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Victorian Alps bioregion			
Data source(s):	DELWP, VEAC		

B:10 Mallee			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Lowan Mallee and Murray Mallee bioregions			
Data source(s):	DELWP, PV, VEAC		

B:11 Heathlands			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, VEAC		

B:12 Threatened terrestrial and freshwater mammals			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:13 Threatened wetland-dependent species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:14 Threatened terrestrial bird species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:15 Waterbird species in the Murray–Darling Basin			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Southern Murray-Darling Basin			
Data source(s):	DELWP, Centre for Ecosystem Science		

B:16 Threatened terrestrial and wetland reptile species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:17 Threatened large-bodied freshwater fish species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:18 Threatened small-bodied freshwater fish species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:19 Threatened frog species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:20 Threatened freshwater invertebrate species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:21 Threatened terrestrial invertebrate species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:22 Threatened terrestrial vascular plant species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:23 Threatened terrestrial fungi, lichen, moss and liverwort species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:24 Invasive freshwater plant species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:25 Invasive freshwater animal species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

B:26 Trend in carp			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:27 Invasive terrestrial plant species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

B:28 Priority weed control			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:29 Invasive terrestrial herbivore species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

B:30 Priority pest herbivore control			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:31 Invasive terrestrial predator species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

B:32 Priority pest predator control			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:33 Net gain in the extent and condition of native vegetation			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:34 Change in suitable habitat for threatened native species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:35 Climate-sensitive ecosystems			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:36 New, permanently protected areas on private land			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, Trust for Nature		

B:37 The conservation of Victorian ecosystems on public land			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, PV		

B:38 Priority revegetation			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:39 Victorians value nature			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	 (Target 1: All Victorians are connected to nature)		
Statewide	 (Target 2: More than 5 million Victorians acting for nature)		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

B:40 Number of Victorian Government organisations that manage environmental assets that contribute to DELWP Standard Output Data			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Land

L:01 Land-cover classes in Victoria

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide	N/A	N/A	
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

L:02 Changes in Victoria's land-cover classes

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide		?	
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

L:03 Changes in land tenure

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide	N/A	→	
Data source(s):	DELWP		

L:04 Greenfield and infill development in Melbourne

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Melbourne metropolitan area		↙	
Data source(s):	DTP, IV		

L:05 Soil organic carbon storage

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide		?	
Data source(s):	AgVic		

L:06 Area affected by dryland salinity

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Murray River catchment		↗	
Elsewhere across Victoria		?	
Data source(s):	AgVic, DELWP		

L:07 Soil acidification			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	AgVic		

L:08 Soil erosion			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	 (wind)		
Statewide	 (water)		
Data source(s):	AgVic, National Landcare Project		

L:09 Contaminated sites			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, EPA Victoria		

L:10 Participation in natural resource management activities			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	CMAs, Landcare, PV		

L:11 Use of best practice for sustainability outcomes on agricultural lands			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Forests

Fo:01A Area of forest by type and tenure — forest canopy cover

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:01B Area of forest by type and tenure — forest type

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:01C Area of forest by type and tenure — plantation forest

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	ABS		

Fo:02 Area of forest type by growth stage

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:03 Area of forest type by growth stage distribution in protected zones

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	CAPAD, DELWP		

Fo:04 Fragmentation of native forest cover

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:05 Number of in-situ and ex-situ conservation efforts for forest-dependent species

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, VicForests, Zoos Victoria		

Fo:06 The status of forest-dependent species at risk of not maintaining viable breeding populations, as determined by legislation or scientific assessment			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:07 Degree of disturbance to native forest species caused by invasive species			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:08A Scale and impact of agents and processes affecting forest health and vitality — mortality, dieback, canopy health			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:08B Scale and impact of agents and processes affecting forest health and vitality — bushfire-affected area and climate			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:09A Area and type of human-induced disturbance — planned burns			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:09B Area and type of human-induced disturbance — grazing			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	ABS		

Fo:10 Total forest ecosystem biomass and carbon pool by forest type, age class and successional stages			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:11 Contribution of forest ecosystems to the global greenhouse gas balance			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DCCEEW, DELWP		

Fo:12 Area and percentage of forest and net area of forest available and suitable for wood production			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DJPR		

Fo:13 Area of native forest harvested			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DJPR		

Fo:14 Annual production of wood products from state forests compared to sustainable harvest levels			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide	 (wood products)  (firewood)	 (wood products)  (firewood)	 (wood products)  (firewood)
Data source(s):	VicForests		

Fo:15 Proportion of timber harvest area successfully regenerated by forest type			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DJPR, VicForests		

Fo:16 Extent to which the legal framework (laws, regulations, guidelines) supports the conservation and sustainable management of forests			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	ARV, DELWP, DJCS, DJPR, DPC, DTP, GORCP Authority, PV, VPC		

Fo:17 Extent to which the institutional framework supports the conservation and sustainable management of forests			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:18 Extent to which the economic framework supports the conservation and sustainable management of forests			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:19 Capacity to conduct and apply research and development aimed at improving forest management, including development of scientific understanding of forest ecosystem characteristics and functions			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fo:20 Investment and expenditure in forest management			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP, VicForests		

Fo:21 Value ($) of forest derived ecosystem services			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fire

Fi:01 Area of native vegetation burnt in planned fires and bushfires

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide (bushfire)			
Statewide (planned burn)			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fi:02 Impacts of bushfires

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DJPR, Inspector-General of Emergency Management, Insurance Council of Australia		

Fi:03 Actual fire regimes compared to optimal fire regimes in public forests

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide (public forests)			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Fi:04 Bushfire risk

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide (public forests)			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

Inland waters — Water quality

WQ:01 Occurrence of algal blooms

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WQ:02 Dissolved oxygen concentrations in rivers

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
CMAs			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WQ:03 Salinity concentrations in rivers

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
CMAs	 (7 CMAs)		
CMAs	 (2 CMAs)		
CMAs	 (1 CMA)		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WQ:04 Total nitrogen concentrations in rivers

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
CMAs	 (3-4 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (3 CMAs)		
CMAs	 (3-2 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (Mallee CMA)		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

**The first figure presented in brackets refers to the number of CMAs whose status was based on 2010–17 data and the second figure presented in brackets refers to the number of CMAs based on 2018–21 data.*

WQ:05 Total phosphorus concentrations in rivers			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
CMAs	 (2-4 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (4 CMAs)		
CMAs	 (3-1 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (Mallee CMA)		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WQ:06 Turbidity levels in rivers			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
CMAs	 (5-10 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (5-0 CMAs)*		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WQ:07 pH levels in rivers			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
CMAs	 (10-7 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (0-2 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (1 CMA)		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

**The first figure presented in brackets refers to the number of CMAs whose status was based on 2010–17 data and the second figure presented in brackets refers to the number of CMAs based on 2018–21 data.*

WQ:08 Proportion of water bodies with good ambient water quality			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
CMAs	 (2-1 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (3-8 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (4-0 CMAs)*		
CMAs	 (Mallee CMA)		
Data source(s):	DELWP, EPA Victoria, Melbourne Water		

WQ:09 Groundwater quality			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WQ:10 Volume of treated and poorly treated discharges to surface waters and compliance with licence requirements			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

WQ:11 Percentage of inland water pollution reports requiring a field response by EPA Victoria			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	EPA Victoria		

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Inland waters — Water resources

WR:01 Water resources and storage trends

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide		 (long term)	
Statewide		 (short term)	
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:02 Interception of surface water by small farm dams

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide	 (southern rivers)		
Statewide	 (northern rivers)		
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:03 Surface water harvested for consumptive use

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:04 Percentage of compliance with entitlements for the take of surface water

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:05 Water recycling

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:06 Percentage of agricultural land with improved irrigation			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	CMAs		

WR:07 Groundwater levels, consumption and use			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide		 (most shallow aquifers)	
Statewide		 (shallow aquifers in northern region; lower aquifers in Gippsland and northern region)	
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:08 Condition of flow regimes			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DELWP		

WR:09 Delivering water for the environment			
Region(s)	**2023 status**	**2023 trend**	**2023 confidence**
Statewide			
Data source(s):	VEWH		

Energy

E:01 Primary energy consumption

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	BP, DCCEEW		

E:02 Primary energy consumption by source

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DCCEEW		

E:03 Electricity consumption

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	Australian Energy Market Operator, BP, DCCEEW		

E:04 Electricity generation by fuel

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	Australian Energy Market Operator, BP, DCCEEW		

E:05 Gas consumption

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	Australian Energy Market Operator, DCCEEW		

E:06 Energy in transport

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DCCEEW		

Waste and resource recovery

W:01 Total waste generation

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	SV		

W:02 Generation of waste per capita

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	ABS, SV		

W:03 Total food waste generated

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	SV, DCCEEW		

W:04 Diversion rate

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	SV		

W:05 Litter and illegal dumping

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
151 survey sites primarily located across Melbourne suburbs 15 rural highway survey sites			
Data source(s):	KAB, SV		

W:06 Total hazardous waste managed

Region(s)	2023 status	2023 trend	2023 confidence
Statewide			
Data source(s):	DCCEEW, EPA Victoria, SV		

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