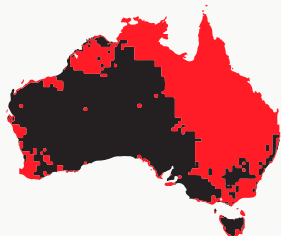


FERAL PIGS IN AUSTRALIA

POPULATION

Modelling indicates there could be up to 24 million feral pigs in Australia, covering 45 per cent of the national landmass



GROWTH

Feral pigs can breed from seven months of age and populations can increase by up to 86 per cent annually in ideal conditions

POTENTIAL
86%
POPULATION
INCREASE
ANNUALLY

LIVESTOCK THREAT

Feral pigs cost Australian agriculture more than \$100 million a year preying on livestock, destroying crops and pasture, and spreading weeds

\$100+
MILLION
DAMAGE TO
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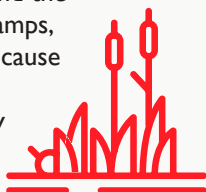
BIOLOGICAL THREAT

Feral pigs are hosts for pathogens such as brucellosis and leptospirosis, and wild populations have spread African swine fever across Asia and Europe, where millions of pigs have died



ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

By wallowing and rooting around the edges of watercourses and swamps, feral pigs reduce water quality, cause land degradation and erosion, damage vegetation, and destroy native wildlife nesting sites and food sources



CONTROL

A combination of control techniques including baiting, trapping, aerial shooting, ground hunting, exclusion fencing must be strategically used by landholders to maximise effectiveness of control activities



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