

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

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**Senator McKim asked:**

**Senator McKIM:** ... So, in your conversations with Dr Whittington, you were never told how many fires were burning, for example, in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area?

**Mr Oxley:** That information I am sure would have been shared with me as part of those discussions, and I just do not have those specific numbers to hand. I would be very happy to take that away and provide them back to the Senate quickly on notice.

**Senator McKIM:** I would appreciate that.

**Answer:**

On 17 February 2016 Senator McKim was advised by the Office of the Minister for the Environment that as of Monday 15 February 2016 there were 12 fires burning within the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area and that an additional four fires had been extinguished.