

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
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**Topic:** Koalas preferred food species in NSW  
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**Senator Rice, Janet asked:**

**Senator RICE:** ... What about koalas in New South Wales? Does the department monitor koala populations' preferred food tree species in New South Wales?

**Mr Andrews:** I would have to take that specific question about whether we monitor food tree species on notice.

**Answer:**

No, the Australian Government does not directly monitor koala food tree species. The New South Wales Government is responsible for the regular on-ground management of the threatened species and their habitats in NSW.