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Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

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Senator Urquhart asked:

1. Can you provide a list of the species that were added to the Commonwealth's list of threatened species before 18 September 2013, the current outlook for those species, and the status of their management plans?

Answer:

As of the 26 October 2015, 1763 species are listed as threatened under the EPBC Act. Of those, 1562 were included on the list on 16 July 2000 at the commencement of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999. The net change between 16 July 2000 and 18 September 2013 was an increase by 153 species. This is a reflection of the change to the total list and does not include information on species which have been transferred between threat category.

A list of all amendments to the list of threatened species since the commencement of the EPBC Act can be found on the Department of the Environment's website as part of the Species Profile and Threats Database (SPRAT) at the following link:
www.environment.gov.au/cgi-tmp/publiclistchanges.261c562d9e78bc20703e.html

From this list each species' profile can be accessed. The profile includes information relating to the current status of species recovery plans.

A list of all threatened fauna under the EPBC Act can be found at the following link:
www.environment.gov.au/cgi-bin/sprat/public/publicthreatenedlist.pl?wanted=fauna

A list of all threatened flora under the EPBC Act can be found at the following link:
www.environment.gov.au/cgi-bin/sprat/public/publicthreatenedlist.pl?wanted=flora