



1. International Fund for Animal Welfare (Australia) Pty Ltd

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2. IFAW is a global network of affiliated non-profits, helping animals and people thrive together. We have offices in 16 countries and projects in more than 40, always rooted in local realities and connected through collaboration. Our team of 300+ people creates a global expertise of disciplines, including biology, conservation, policy, law enforcement, and emergency response. We hire from the communities where we work, ensuring our efforts reflect local knowledge, priorities, and leadership. We also recognise that we cannot do it alone. Across regions, we work hand-in-hand with local organisations, governments, and community partners to advance rescue, conservation, and long-term solutions. See how at ifaw.org/au

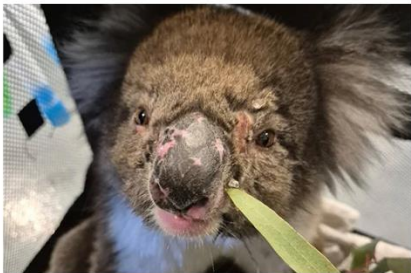
3. This report covers the period: 19 January to 20 April 2026

4. Natural Disaster: 2025/2026 Extreme Heat/Fires/Floods Appeal

5. Appeal intent copy: Link: [Animals are running out of time in Australia's extreme weather](#)



Donate



A koala rescued during extreme heat conditions in South Australia amid heightened bushfire risk. © Southern Koala and Echidna Rescue

Extreme heat, fires, and floods are pushing wildlife to the brink in Australia

6. High level summary:

IFAW raises funds so we can assist wildlife carers on the front lines, and wildlife rescue organisations during natural disasters and other emergencies. Contributions enable us to provide a wide range of support to these organisations and carers who are rescuing and rehabilitating wildlife in the wake of these disasters.

The heatwave/flood/fires started in early 2026 mainly in New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia. Fires continued to burn in Victoria and South Australia into early February. IFAW responded with an initial appeal on **19th January 2026**. Subsequent appeals on **24th January & 10th February 2026** were made in response to the emergency situation our partner organisations and wildlife carers were facing.

7. Total donations to date:

IFAW raises unrestricted funds so the organisation can respond quickly, delivering lifesaving support to animals and the people on the frontline who care for them, wherever the need is greatest, especially in times of crisis.

Digital fundraising: 20,763.30 AUD (Gross)

Direct Mail: 52,686 AUD (Gross)

8. Total donations received in the reporting period: as above

9. Total donations distributed to date by response activity:

GRANTS

SA fires/heatwave

- Southern Koala & Echidna Rescue (SKER): 20,000 AUD
- Save our Wildlife (SOWFI): 2,300 AUD

NSW Heatwave

- Wildcare Queanbeyan: 1,500 AUD
- Hunter Wildlife = 6,000 AUD

QLD flooding

- Wildlife Rehabilitation QLD = 2,000 AUD

GRANTS TOTAL = 31,800 AUD

FIELD EXPENSES

TOTAL = 4707.28 AUD (field expenses + travel)

Staff time in field = 2,770.56 AUD

TOTAL FUNDS DISTRIBUTED = 39,277.84 AUD

10. Total donations committed: (an indication of funds committed to response activities in the short, medium and long term):

Short term:

- As per above: delivered immediate support for disaster response and relief activities.

Medium term:

- Evacuation and emergency preparedness training for wildlife groups.
- Deployment of an IFAW-sponsored wildlife veterinarian to SKER to support clinic case load.

Long term:

- IFAW will continue to provide wildlife groups with advice and guidance on disaster preparedness and will remain informed on their resilience journey.

11. Funds not yet committed:

Any funds that aren't needed here will be used where they're needed most to support our global work. This allows us to rapidly respond to other emergencies as they arise.