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Insights into the Indigenous land and forest estate

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First Nations Commitment

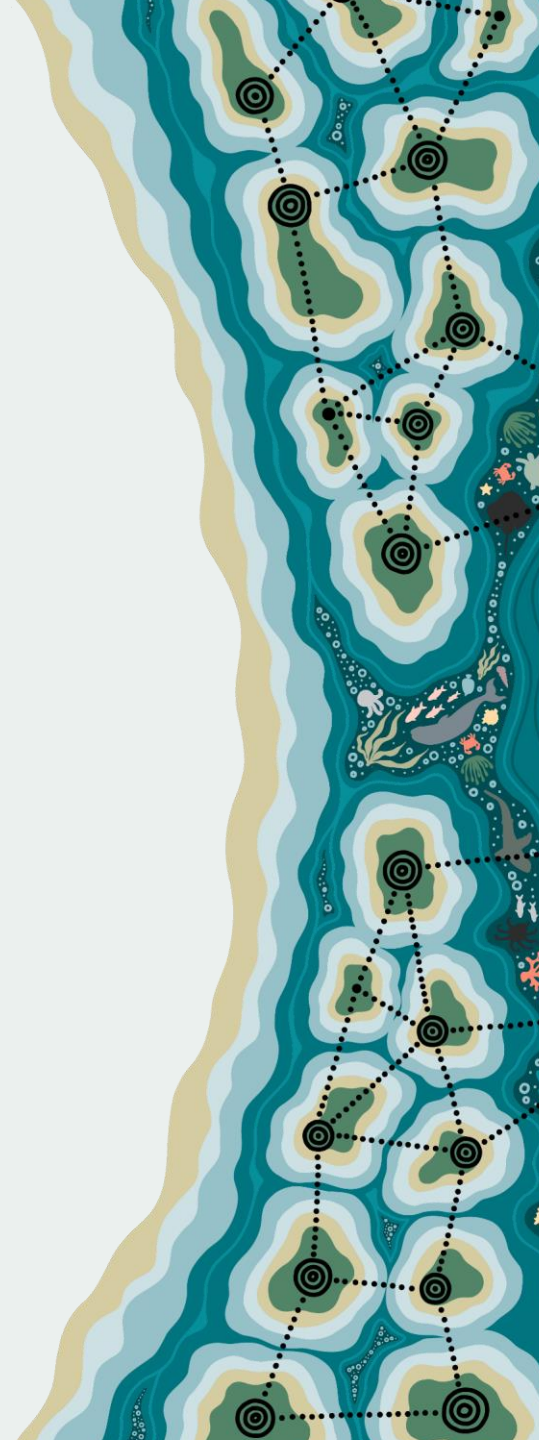
- Statement of Strategic Intent
- Reflects First Nations peoples' aspirations
- Pursuit of First Nations economic self-determination
- First Nations agribusiness barriers and contributions

1.8%
of total
workforce

40%
employed in
sheep, beef
cattle and
grain farming

0.6%
of business
owners

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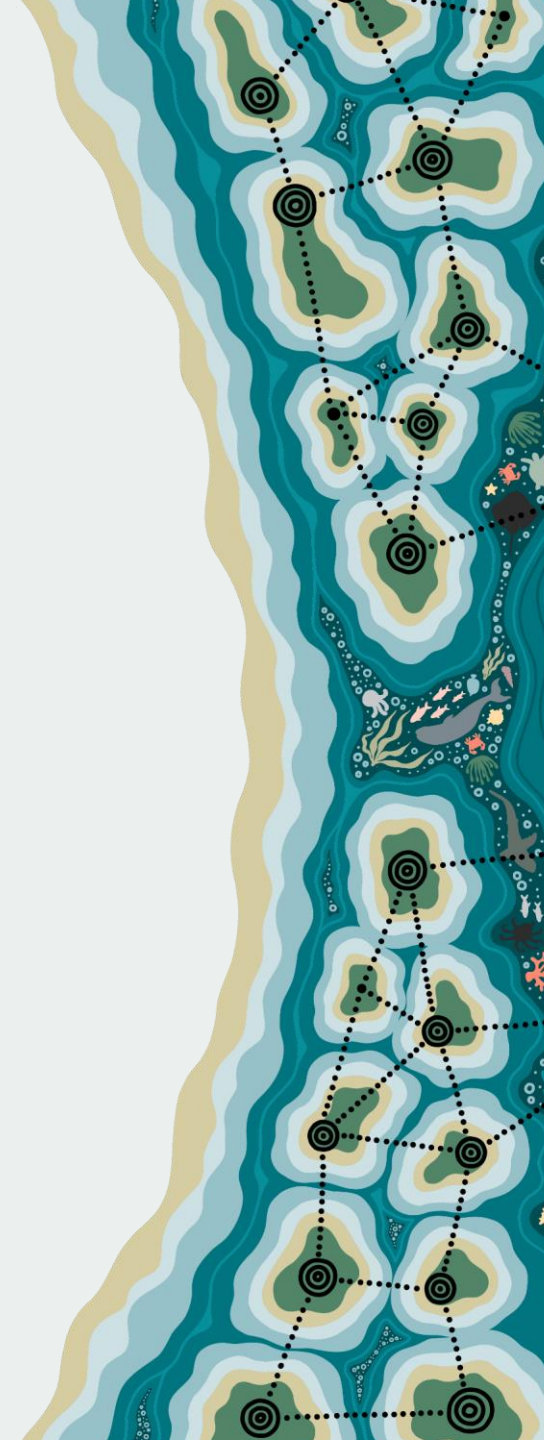


First Nations opportunities

- Economic benefit from First Nations businesses
- \$1 earned = \$4.41 in social and economic value

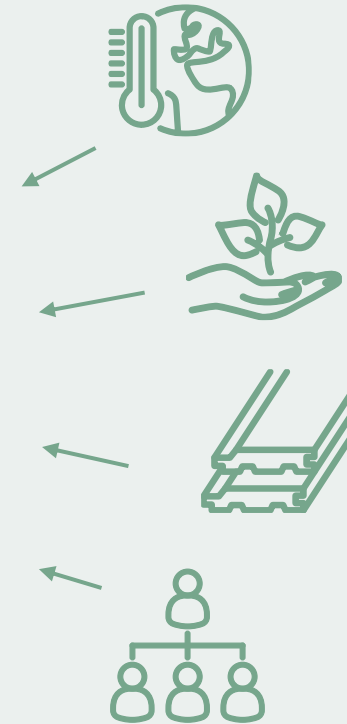
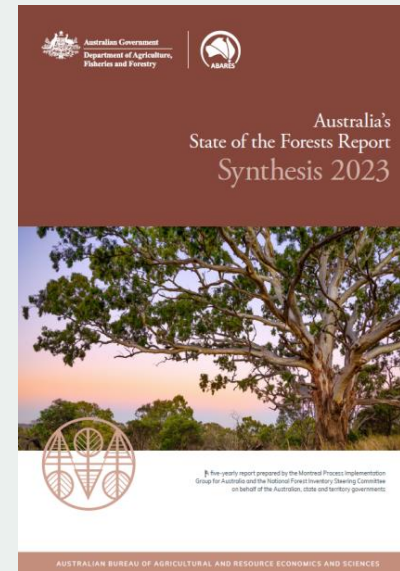
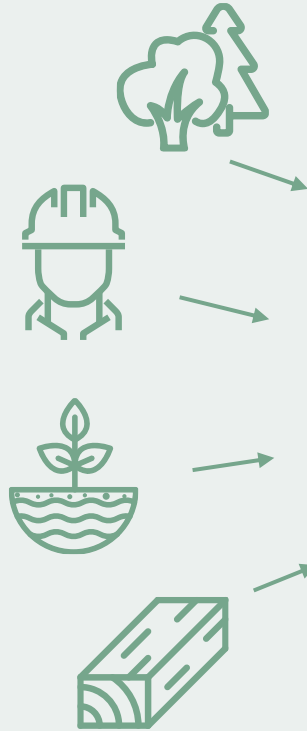


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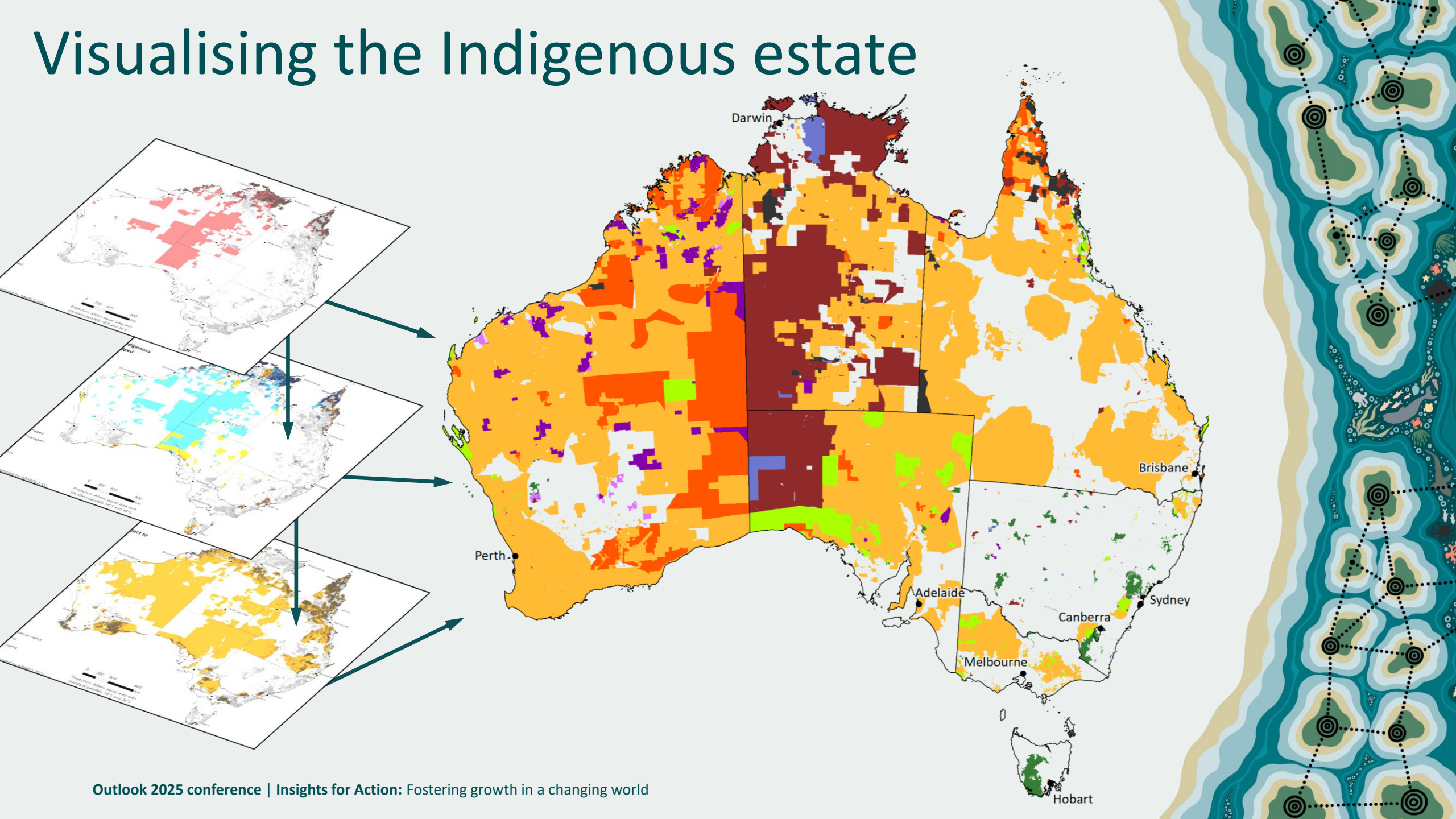


Reporting the Indigenous estate

“Land or forest over which Indigenous peoples and communities have ownership, management, or rights of use for customary purposes.”



Visualising the Indigenous estate

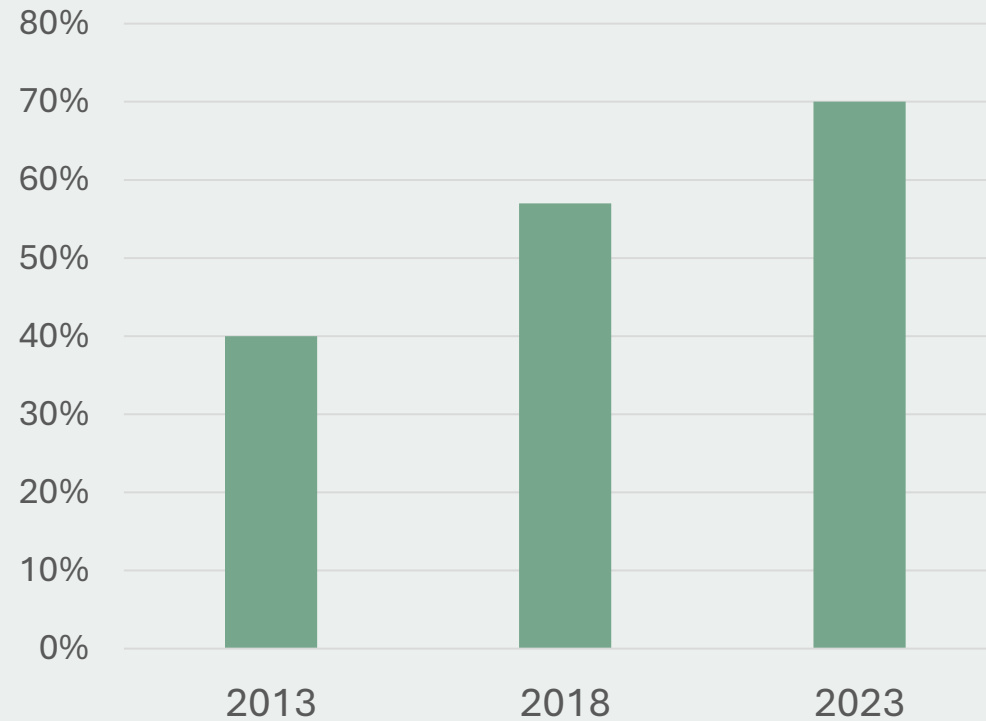


The Indigenous estate covers most of Australia

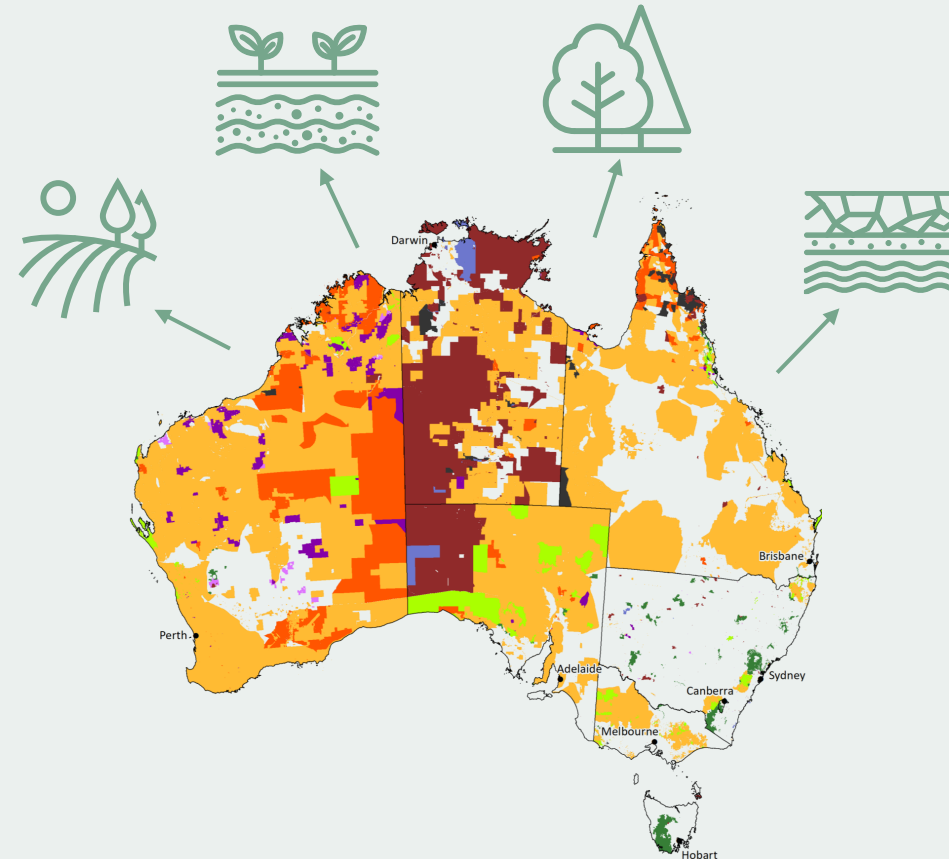
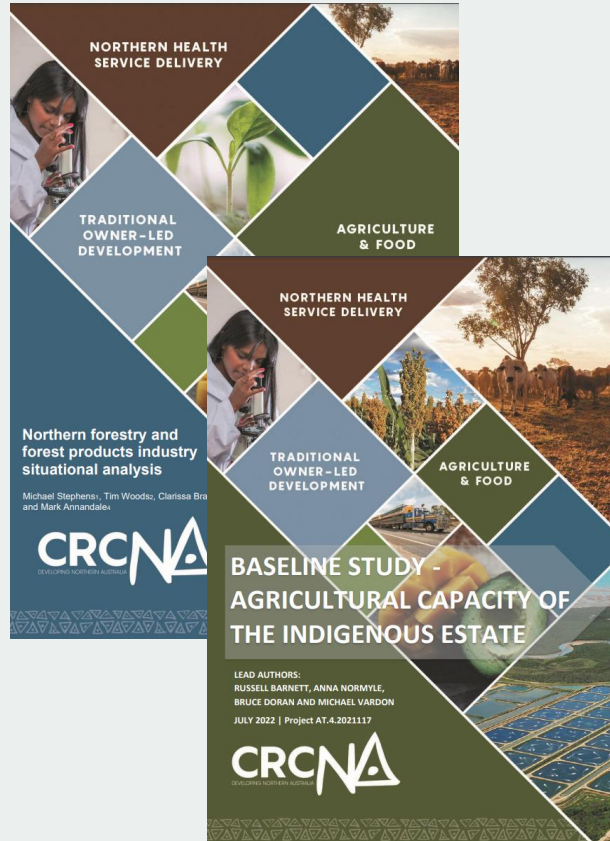
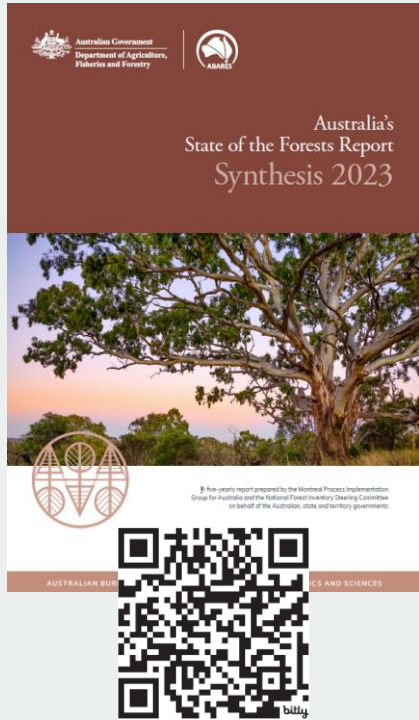
70% of Australia is in the Indigenous land estate

20% of Australia is land that is Indigenous owned

Proportion of land in the Indigenous estate



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