

**Division 11: Regional Development —**

**[Supplementary Information No B1.]**

*Question:* Mr D.A. Templeman asked for the royalties for regions spend by region over the last five years as actuals until the end of 2012–13 and the latest population data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics for each of those regions.

*Answer:*

**Western Australian Population 2009 to 2013**  
 Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics - Estimated Resident Population  
 30/08/2013

Region	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Gascoyne	9 434	9 507	9 674	9 785	9 899
Goldfields-Esperance	57 628	58 462	59 422	60 772	61 926
Great Southern	56 419	56,719	57 240	58 113	59 234
Kimberley	35 803	36 227	36 791	38 122	39 890
Mid West	53 927	54 473	55 311	56 540	57 901
Peel	104 419	107 581	112 675	118 663	124 463
Pilbara	56 578	58 912	61 777	64 164	66 298
South West	152 560	156 186	159 ,730	164 744	169 682
Wheatbelt	72 267	72 664	73 195	73 984	75 009
<b>Regional WA</b>	<b>599 035</b>	<b>610 731</b>	<b>625 815</b>	<b>644 887</b>	<b>664 302</b>
<b>Perth</b>	<b>1 641 215</b>	<b>1 680 114</b>	<b>1 727 594</b>	<b>1 793 107</b>	<b>1 855 019</b>
<b>Western Australia</b>	<b>2 240 250</b>	<b>2 290 845</b>	<b>2 353 409</b>	<b>2 437 994</b>	<b>2 519 321</b>

**Royalties for Regions Expenditure 2009 to 2013**  
 Source: RfR Audited Annual Reports

Region	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gascoyne	4 955 074	6 294 696	17 023 997	57 028 747	50 310 817
Goldfields-Esperance	11 309 007	19 169 758	23 809 526	50 913 964	56 958 243
Great Southern	10 903 257	16 515 229	43 279 303	51 915 278	65 024 950
Kimberley	10 594 954	86 022 338	95 283 709	122 896 633	198 138 999
Mid West	15 652 638	20 158 098	26 497 420	57 265 022	57 843 634
Peel	5 798 430	4 310 574	13 195 730	18 179 313	17 908 767
Pilbara	11 899 373	60 800 628	192 369 277	247 725 454	379 428 291
South West	15 517 704	18 413 120	29 431 205	58 550 412	98 810 967
Wheatbelt	32 280 939	29 442 875	44 980 474	78 659 970	77 243 451
<b>Regional expenditure WA</b>	<b>118 911 376</b>	<b>261 127 316</b>	<b>485 870 641</b>	<b>743 134 793</b>	<b>1 001 668 118</b>

**[Supplementary Information No B2.]**

*Question:* Mr M. McGowan asked for a list of all the local governments in regional Western Australia and their status in respect to the funds that they have received from the country local government fund. The list will also show local governments that have not received funds and the amount of those funds.

Answer:

CLGF Individual Funds 2008-09 summary

Agreements signed	Agreements acquitted	Agreements active	Agreements not progressing
110	110	0	0

CLGF Individual Funds 2009-10 summary

Agreements signed	Agreements acquitted	Agreements active	Agreements not progressing
110	110	0	0

CLGF Individual Funds 2010-11 summary

Agreements signed	Agreements acquitted	Agreements active	Agreements not progressing
108	96	12	2

Two country local governments have not met eligibility criteria and will not receive 2010-11 funds.

CLGF Individual Funds 2011-12 summary

Agreements signed	Agreements acquitted	Agreements active	Agreements not progressing
102	39	63	7

Seven country local governments have not met eligibility criteria and will not receive 2011-12 funds.

CLGF Individual Funds 2012-13 summary

Agreements signed	Agreements acquitted	Agreements active	Agreements not signed
70	6	64	39

Two of the 70 country local governments who have signed agreements have deferred payment until 2014-15, three local governments who met eligibility criteria in 2013-14 deferred signing until 2014-15. Thirty-six local governments previously deemed eligible are now budgeted for.

Detailed table of CLGF individual Shire status is attached. [See page E696.]

**[Supplementary Information No B3.]**

*Question:* Mr M. McGowan asked for the original target in terms of properties with underground power in all those communities where the commitment was made; how many, by number and percentage, have not been done; and an explanation of the shortfall in that and what there is in terms of future funds.

Answer:

The Pilbara Underground Power Program will enable the connection of 4943 lots to underground power across all communities (pending approval of further funding). Existing funding has enabled a significant portion of the electrical infrastructure in the Pilbara towns to be undergrounded with 2430 (49 per cent) lots now connected to underground power to date (in Karratha and Hedland).

Horizon Power is currently seeking funding approval for a further \$75 million from the Department of Regional Development to continue the project and underground the remainder of properties in Karratha, Onslow and Roebourne (a further 2 513 lots or the remaining 51 per cent).

The breakdown of properties by town is as follows:

Existing and proposed connections					
	Sth Hedland and Wedge field	Karratha	Roebourne	Onslow	Total
Connected with existing funding	1,398	1,032	0	0	2,430
Remaining open works plus new work	0	2,272	20	221	2,513
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,398</b>	<b>3,304</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>4,943</b>

Timing of new customer connections						
Financial Year ending 30 June	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
Karratha	390	381	416	520	565	2,272
Roebourne		20				20
Onslow			221			221
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>2,513</b>

The remaining 51 per cent of lots across Karratha, Onslow and Roebourne will not be connected until approval for the \$75 million in funding is obtained.

**[Supplementary Information No B4.]**

*Question:* Dr G.G. Jacobs asked: Can the minister give me a list of the 16 projects under consideration for the distribution of the first \$50 million funding for the Seizing the Opportunity Agriculture initiative?

*Answer:*

The list is as follows:

- Infrastructure Audit and Infrastructure Investment Fund
- WA Open for Business
- Muresk Institute
- Water for Food
- Agricultural Sciences Research and Development
- Biosecurity Defences
- Food Industry Innovation
- Asia Market Development
- Increase the Profile of WA Agriculture
- Boost Business Skills of Agrifood Businesses
- Northern Beef Industry Strategy
- Sheep Industry Business Innovation
- Boost Grains Research and Development Support
- Help Grain Growers to Better Manage Risk.