

Data Sheet 151 (DS 151)

Bushfire Survival Plans

What are we monitoring?

The percentage of Blue Mountains residents with a Bushfire Survival Plan.

The Council conducts a bi-annual Community Survey (previously conducted annually) of a representative sample of the population, that from 2016 has included asking residents whether they have a Bushfire Survival Plan in the event of a bushfire impacting on them.

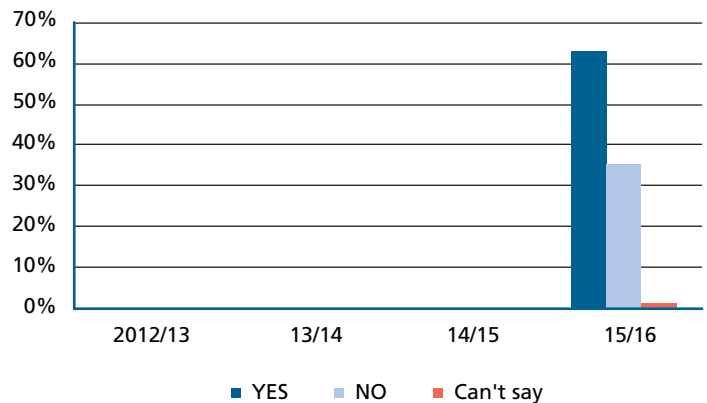
What is the trend?

The 2016 survey responses indicated that over 60% of residents surveyed (n=1,001) believed that they had a Bushfire Survival Plan in place. This is a very high proportion.

Why is monitoring this trend important?

The Blue Mountains is an area with a very high level of bushfire risk. Resident preparedness to respond to a bushfire emergency is an important in supporting optimum outcomes for people and property. This information can assist the Council and other agencies in encouraging residents to be well prepared.

% Residents with a Bushfire Survival Plan



Percentage of Residents Surveyed with a Bushfire Survival Plan

Year	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	63.2%
No				35.5%
Can't Say				1.3%

Source: Blue Mountains City Council, Blue Mountains Community Survey 2016