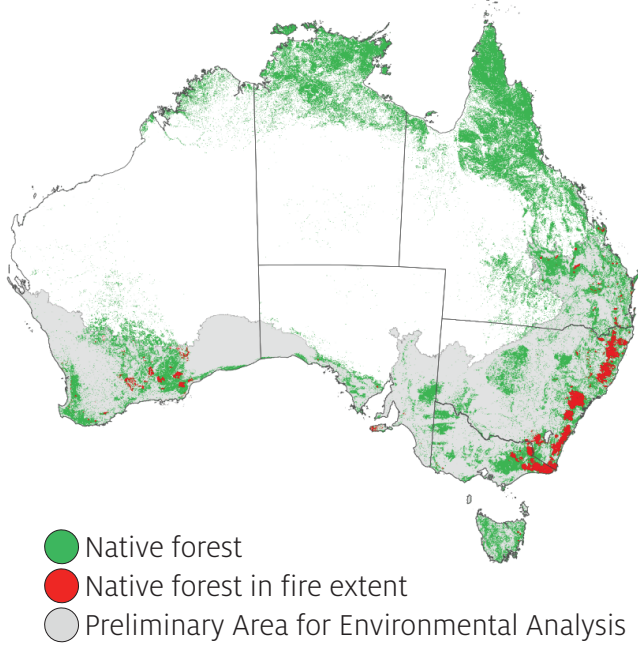




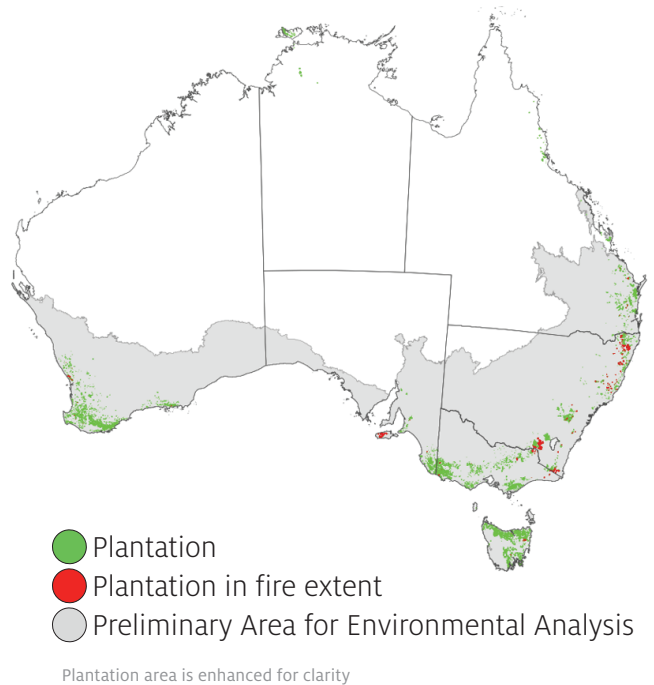
Effects of bushfires and COVID-19 on the forestry and wood processing sectors

A large area of forest has been affected

Native forests



Plantations



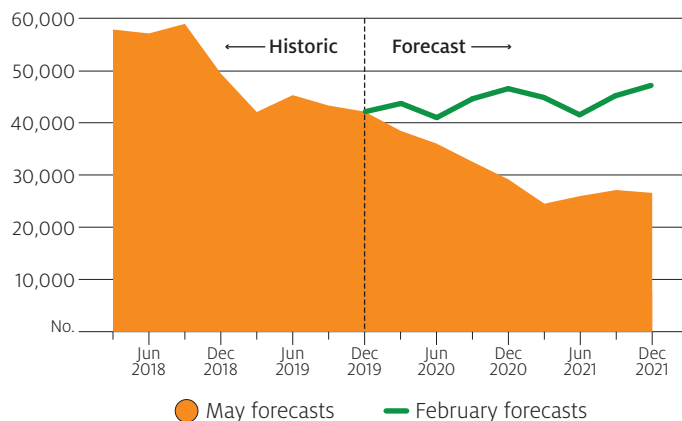
> **8.3 million hectares**
of native forests burnt



> **130,000 hectares**
of plantation burnt

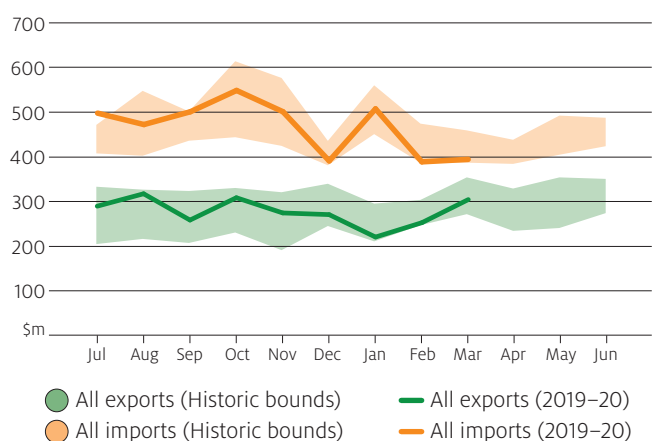
Residential construction activity is expected to decline

Residential dwelling commencements in 2020–21, 37% lower than otherwise



Trade in wood products has remained strong

Value of exports and imports remaining within historic bounds



Fire extent derived from the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment National Indicative Aggregated Fire Extent Dataset within the 'Preliminary Area for Environmental Analysis – 2019/20 Fires' current to 28 April 2020. Forest area derived from the National Forest Inventory Forests of Australia (2018) spatial dataset.