

Inquiry into Crocodile Control and Conservation Bill 2025

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Crocodiles were hunted almost to extinction and are only now just starting to get back up to the healthy, sustainable numbers that they were at. We don't need to kill crocs to keep us safe, there needs to be more education about how to stay safe in croc territory. They are modern day dinosaurs who lived way before we did and we need to respect them and let them live in their natural habitat, where they belong. We shouldn't need to eradicate them for our own benefit but instead, learn to live around them and with them and respect them and their habitat. Crocs are territorial and only attack when something is approaching their territory which is why education is a better solution, to teach people how to be safe in their habitats. They are amazing animals that shouldn't be feared, but need to be respected, especially in areas where crocs can be found. Us as humans almost completely wiped them out once and they are only just beginning to return to their former, sustainable numbers. And once these numbers are reached, they are able and very good at sustaining numbers themselves through fighting and even predating on young, juvenile crocodiles. They are able to keep their numbers healthy, sustained and controlled themselves through their natural behaviours which is why we don't need to kill crocodiles. We just need more education about how to stay safe in croc country. There are many scientists and research done saying that killing a few crocs won't make the place much safer and that the best way to keep people safe, is to remind them and educate them about how to stay safe when visiting or living around their habitat.