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Eastern Quoll (Dasyurus viverrinus)

Size: Body length, 48 - 58 cm; tail, 17 - 28 cm **Weight:** Males approx. 1.1 kg; females approx. 0.7 kg **Habitat:** Primarily grasslands, dry eucalyptus forests, scrublands and heathlands **Surviving number:** Estimated at 10,000 - 12,000



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Head first. When the eastern quoll engages prey, it goes straight for the head and bites. Insects and agricultural pests are favored targets, but the opportunistic eater is also able to sniff out and dig up food buried underground. This ability turns into a liability, however, when it encounters poisoned baits. Having disappeared from mainland Australia in the

1960s, this marsupial is headed into the danger zone in its last strongholds due to fluctuations in weather, roadkill mortality and predation by feral cats.

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