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## What's new?

### Literature database

The number of literature records on the EIS has grown a lot recently - now standing at 9,500 - thanks to a major effort of scanning and uploading reports and documents which were previously hard to get hold of. Thanks to everyone involved for facilitating this process.

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### Citizen science

The number of records in the mammal and carnivore atlas also continues to grow and has reached almost 5,000 records. This represents many peoples' time - recording the animals that they see, taking photos, GPS coordinates and other information and then uploading that to the EIS. The results can be viewed online using the 'View the map in the EIS plug-in' or can be downloaded as a kml (Google Earth) file to use on your own computer.

### \* NEW on the EIS: Monthly Burned Area reports \*

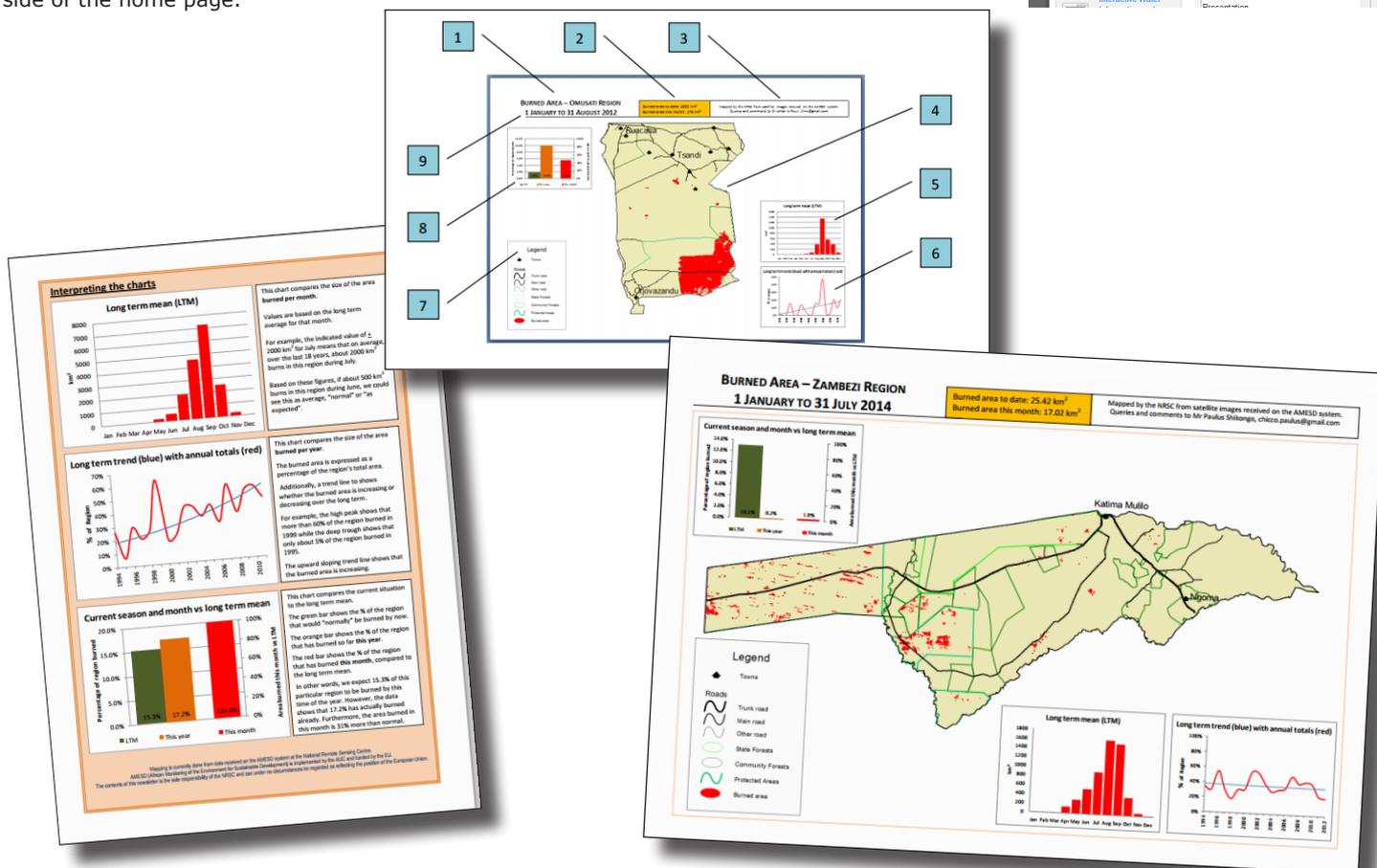
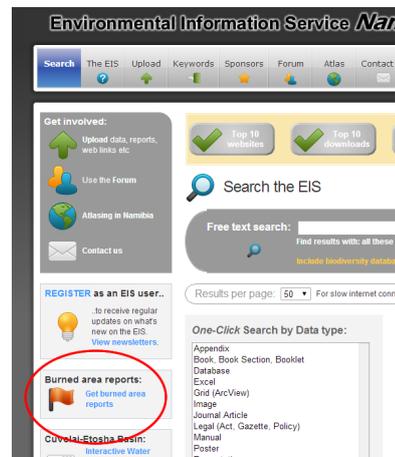
The Directorate of Forestry's National Remote Sensing Centre compiles a burned area report on a monthly basis from June to December. These complement the active fire bulletins that are produced and distributed daily. Each report presents the burned area situation from the start of the fire season up to the preceding month. The first report is issued in June and shows burned areas and statistics for the period from January to May. The last report appears in December and presents the situation for the entire season up to the end of November.

These are now available on the EIS using the 'Burned area reports' link on the left hand side of the home page.

Each report contains a wealth of information. For each region the area burnt from the beginning of the year to date is mapped; the current season and month is compared to the long-term mean based on 18 years of data; statistics are given on the total area burned to date and this month; and more.

Clear information is provided on how to interpret the charts and these reports will be invaluable to a wide range of organisations and individuals.

Thanks to the Directorate of Forestry for facilitating the sharing of these reports.



**Number of records in the EIS: 9,566**