

## One with Nineveh

This latest book from Paul and Anne Ehrlich takes its title from Rudyard Kipling's famous 1897 poem *Recessional* ('Lo, all our pomp of yesterday / Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!'), written at the height of the British Empire. The poem alludes to the pride and arrogance that preceded the fall of ancient civilisations. By 612 BC, the great capital city of Nineveh, pride of Assyria, lay in ruins – which are still visible today in Iraq, opposite the city of Mosul on the Tigris River.

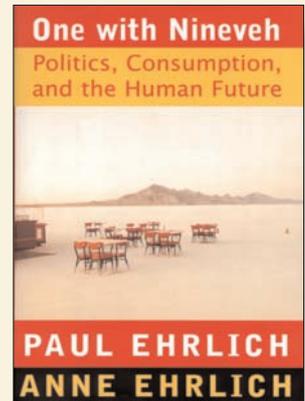
*One with Nineveh* is a wake-up call to all of the world's nations who are 'hostages to hubris' – the overbearing pride and presumption that afflicts

the most powerful nations particularly, of course, the USA. It examines, with insightful analysis, how and why many political leaders are failing to take appropriate action to address the key issues of sustainability in the face of rising consumption, overpopulation and environmental degradation.

Increasing globalisation, the rise of corporate power, ignorant and corrupt political leadership, and an over-reliance on the 'technological fix' all go under the authors' relentless scrutiny. The book puts all of these issues in a larger context and makes a compelling case for

the discussions we should be having at every level of society.

*One with Nineveh* is not just gloom-and-doom. The authors propose a range of solutions from local actions to government reforms to international initiatives. The authors remind us that human societies *can* change dramatically when the time is ripe. More informed debate, a greater tolerance in private attitudes, and a greater willingness to redress imbalances in social and economic inequity are some of the issues they canvass. Underlying this is the need to develop a broader concern for all our living companions on the planet.



**One with Nineveh**  
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## The Interactive Social Atlas

If you want to know which Australian regions have the highest income, where the most men or women live, and, say, where the highest rates of labour force participation are, a new Interactive Social Atlas produced by the Bureau of Rural Sciences (BRS) is the tool.

Free to use via the internet, it can generate a customised regional atlas on the fly, containing selected detailed social and demographic information including population, employment, household, income and education statistics, specifically for any region. The application will create the selected maps in a single PDF (Portable Document File) that is then emailed to you.

Based on the Bureau of Rural Sciences' *Country Matters: Social*



The Interactive Social Atlas  
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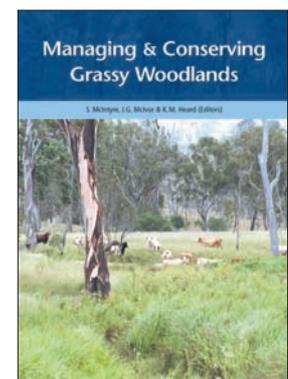
*Atlas of Rural and Regional Australia*, which describes the economic and social life of the nearly seven million Australians living in rural and regional areas, the interactive Atlas creates regional atlases across the same range of social, economic and demographic variables.

## Working with Grassy Woodlands

In eastern Australia, and particularly the cropping lands of the south-east, important grassy eucalypt woodlands have been under severe pressure from agricultural development. Land degradation and species decline are inherent problems. *Managing & Conserving Grassy Woodlands* describes a set of principles, which enable landholders to maintain or increase agricultural productivity without compromising ecological sustainability, while maintaining native flora and fauna.

The importance of landscape-scale management planning is made clear through separate chapters explaining the science and basic ecology behind these key principles. Also discussed are the issues relating to practical application, and landholders' responses to the principles in action. A final chapter explores how to integrate the theory into a property plan. *Managing & Conserving*

*Grassy Woodlands* is intended for those at the interface of science and on-ground application, whether they are working in research, agriculture, regional planning, or land management.



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