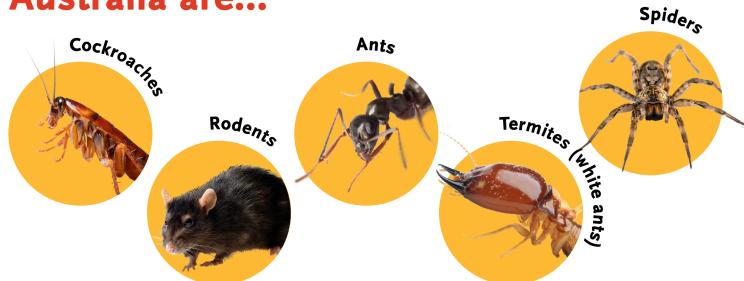
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# What are the common household pests in Australia?

Global Pest Awareness Day aims to highlight the importance of the pest control industry across the globe, but what's the situation with Australian pests?

The most common household pests in Australia are...



#### The top three pests causing...



Termites (also known as white ants) cause up to \$1B in damage and affect one in three Australian homes yearly.



Rats and mice cause severe household damage as they gnaw their way through doors, skirting, books, electrical wires and cables.



Beetles, like the woodboring beetle, cause immense household damage eating your floor boards and timber structure.



The household fly feeds on waste and faeces, easily causing food poisioning if they come into contact with your meal.



Cockroaches also carry disease-causing germs on and in their bodies, spreading it by walking over food, eating utensils and more.



Mosquitoes are known carriers of diseases, spreading Dengue fever, Malaria, Ross River virus, Zika virus and more.



Bees, wasps, and hornets are the biggest killers. In the past 13 years, bees, hortnets, and wasps caused 27 deaths and 42,000 hospitalisations.



Snakes tie with bees, wasps, and hornets as Australia's biggest killer with the same number of deaths, but far less hospitalisations.



Ants are Australia's third biggest killer with 5 deaths and 4,533 hospitalisations occuring in the past 13 years.

### Did you know?

Rodents have caused housefires before as they've exposed live wires

Flies prefer to eat manure, which they then carry on their feet and mouth

For every one cockroach you see, hundreds more are already in your home

Some termites car go undetected for so long that you won't know until your house collapses



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