

# Not everything that is a weed is invasive but everything that is invasive is a weed

Dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*)  
is a **WEED**



Dandelion pops up in garden  
lawns and looks untidy

A '**weed**' is a plant in the wrong place



**THIS PLANT  
ANNOYS ME**

Broad-leaf Privet (*Ligustrum lucidum*)  
is an **INVASIVE WEED**



Privet forms dense stands and outcompetes other  
plants for water, nutrients and sunlight.

**Invasive weeds** have multiple '**weedy**' characteristics



Spread long  
distances by **birds**



Produces **copious viable**  
**seed** or propagules



Naturalised in Australia  
(forms **self-sustaining**  
**populations**)



Risk to human or  
animal **health**



Alters natural **fire**  
regimes



Negative impact on  
**threatened** species

The Plant Sure Scheme aims to reduce the risk of future landscape scale weed invasions.