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## Introduction



People from all over the world, including those living in Queensland and Australia, enjoy eating quality fresh seafood from the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area. The seafood comes from one of the “best managed marine parks in the world”, and with over 1750 licences that are allowed access to the GBR (>750 were active in the GBR 2012 (DAFF, unpubl. data, 2013a)), and a Gross Value of Production of \$122.9 million in 20011/12 (DAE, 2013), the industry is particularly important for the region. The industry is managed by the Queensland government through Fisheries Queensland within the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF). The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA) is a federal agency that also contributes to fisheries management through restricting fishing activities by zoning within the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park (GBRMPA, 2009).



Generally, the commercial fishing industry is managed by constraints (or ‘input controls’) on the number of vessels (limited entry), time and place of fishing and/or the type and specification of both vessel and gear. There are also controls on what can be harvested (‘output controls’) such as the level of catch (e.g. total allowable commercial catch, TACC), spawning closures, restrictions on the length and the sex or maturity of stages that can be taken. Fisheries Queensland collect catch and effort data from each fishing operation through the use of compulsory logbooks, which commenced as a voluntary program in 1988. The data are used to assess the status of fisheries in Queensland as well as to assist in the management process. Commercial fishing is also restricted via marine park zoning legislated by the GBRMPA and the Department of Environment (DoE).



Fishing operations range in size from small, family operated businesses with a single licence and vessel, to larger, investment businesses with multiple licences and vessels, employing skippers and crew, with many sizes and configurations in between. There are a few overseas investors in fishing licences, but most are Australian owned and owner-operated. Some fishers operate by leasing licences and/or quota from licence owners, with an unknown number of lease arrangements made informally.

There are multiple commercial fisheries within the GBRWHA, broadly defined by the type of gear they use, the habitats they access and/or the species they harvest. Fisheries are generally managed as commercial fishing licences or commercial harvest licences. Within the SELTMP, commercial fisheries are grouped as trawl, line, pot, net and harvest fisheries. These fisheries access inshore, shoal, inter-reef, reef and pelagic waters. Many fishers hold a multiple endorsed licence (i.e. a licence with multiple ‘symbols’) which means that a line fisher, for instance, may also trawl or net.



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*Trawl* fisheries capture primarily prawns, bugs and scallops, but also cuttlefish, squid and octopus via Beam trawls (within the River and Inshore Beam Trawl Fishery, RIBTF) (DEEDI, 2011a) or Otter trawls (within the East Coast Otter Trawl Fishery) (Fisheries Qld, 2012a). The Beam Trawl fishery only makes up a small component of the trawl fisheries in the GBRWHA, however the Otter Trawl fishery is the largest Queensland fishery in terms of product volume and economic value. Data for the Beam Trawl fishery are combined with Otter Trawl in this report, collectively termed as “Trawl”.



*Line* fishers access multiple fin fish species by line, particularly species managed by quota allocations for which fishers require an additional Reef Quota (RQ) symbol for the Coral Reef Fin Fish Fishery (CRFFF) (Fisheries Qld, 2012b), or a Spanish Mackerel (SM) (Fisheries Qld, 2012c) symbol for the East Coast Spanish Mackerel Fishery. The CRFF uses single hook handlines on reef and shoal habitats to harvest bottom dwelling reef fish including coral trout (primarily sold live), red throat emperor, and other reef associated species. The SM fishery harvests Spanish mackerel trolling line fishing gear near offshore shoals and reefs. Both are combined here as “Line”.



*Net* fishers operate within the East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery (ECIFFF) (DEEDI, 2011b), which is the largest fishery in terms of numbers of operators, and most diverse in terms of species harvested. Fishers primarily use set gillnets (some species in the ECIFF are taken by hook and line – these are included in the *line* fishery description from here) in inshore creeks, estuaries and bays, to harvest multiple inshore fin fish (such as barramundi, some mackerels and threadfin salmon) and shark species. Shark are also managed via a quota, for which fishers need a dedicated symbol (S).

*Pot* fishers utilise crab pots within the Mudcrab Fishery (Fisheries Qld, 2013a) – the main crab fishery in the GBRHWA – and the much smaller Blue Swimmer Crab Fishery (Fisheries Qld, 2013b). They harvest male crabs within inshore areas. Both fisheries are combined in this report as “Pot”.

*Harvest* fisheries, where species are harvested by hand, are commonly listed separately to the previous fisheries, although harvest fisheries are also diverse. Harvest fisheries include primarily the Crayfish and Rocklobster Fishery (Fisheries Qld, 2012d), the Marine Aquarium Fish Fishery (MAFF) (Fisheries Qld, 2013c), the East Coast Bêche-de-mer (BDM) Fishery (Fisheries Qld, 2012e), the Coral Fishery (DEEDI, 2012a), and the East Coast Pearl Fishery (DEEDI, 2012b). There is also an East Coast Trochus Fishery, however it has not recorded catch in recent years (DAFF, 2012a). There are fewer operators in the harvest fisheries, however some fisheries are of high value, with much of the product targeted to export market. All are combined here as “Harvest”.

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## 2013 SELTMP Survey methods

### GBR Commercial Fisher Survey

Primary data was collected via fisher surveys, to fill multiple gaps in the secondary data available. Surveys were designed with input from key end-users and industry representatives.

The commercial fisher surveys were conducted on the phone, with survey staff completing the survey on ipads during July and August 2013. Surveys were anticipated to take approximately 15 minutes, however many took over 30 minutes or even an hour due to fishers wanting to share experiences and opinions.

To contact the fishers we obtained the publicly available list of current (2013) commercial fishery and harvest licence holders from Fisheries Queensland – this list included licence holders' name and home address. Introductory letters were sent to all relevant licence holders – i.e. those holding symbols that allowed access to the GBR – 2 weeks prior to starting the surveys to alert fishers to the upcoming surveys. Phone numbers for these fishers were sourced from previous JCU and CSIRO research projects where fishers had given explicit permission to be re-contacted for future research. Remaining phone numbers were sourced from the electronic white pages, via snow-ball sampling from contacted fishers, and directly from fishers who contacted the project team after receiving the introductory letter.

A total of 303 licence holders were contacted. Of those, 26 claimed they did not fish in the GBR and hence did not continue the survey, and 67 fishers refused to participate. Some licence holders referred surveyors to their licence operator, where appropriate. A total of 210 fishers completed the survey, giving a response rate of 75% of relevant contacted fishers. Given an estimate of 759 active licences in the GBR, held by approximately 591 individuals / businesses (based on 'best guesses' of duplicates of names and/or addresses), the surveys sampled at least 35% of active GBR licence holders. Respondents were spread throughout the GBR catchment, included some licence holders residing outside of the catchment (but fishing in the GBR), and included fishers from all fishery types.

### Data presentation

Most data are presented as **% of respondents**. Where 10-point scales were used to elicit agreement with statements (where 1 = strongly disagree, 10 = strongly agree), we display the **mean score** and the **% of respondents who agreed** with the statement (i.e. scored a 6 or above).

All survey related data are referenced as "SELTMP Survey 2013"

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## A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – WHAT are people doing?

License Number	ACTIVE License Holders†	# of licenses per owner	Formal Lessees**
<div><b>Held# vs Active* in GBR</b> Cape York : 39 vs 24 Wet Tropics : 295 vs 185 Burdekin : 141 vs 96 Mackay Whits : 101 vs 54 Fitzroy Basin : 193 vs 116 Burnett Mary : 283 vs 123 <b>Total GBR based</b> : 1052 vs 598  Intrastate : 595 vs 127 Interstate : 79 vs 21 International : 6 vs 2 Unknown : 0 vs 11  TOTAL <b>held</b> licences = 1732 with symbols that allow GBR access (1438 fishing &amp; 298 harvest)  TOTAL <b>active</b> in GBR =<b>759</b> (673 fishing &amp; 86 harvest)</div>	<div>Cape York : 23 Wet Tropics : 137 Burdekin : 83 Mackay-Whit : 47 Fitzroy Basin : 84 Burnett Mary : 99 Intrastate : 96 Interstate : 18 International : 2 TOTAL : <b>591</b></div> <div>Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*</div>	<div>Cape York : 1.1 (+/-0.06) Wet Tropics : 1.4 (+/-0.09) Burdekin : 1.2 (+/-0.04) Mackay-Whit : 1.1 (+/-0.07) Fitzroy Basin : 1.4 (+/-0.08) Burnett Mary : 1.2 (+/-0.07) Intrastate : 1.3 (+/-0.17) Interstate : 1.2 (+/-0.09) International : 1.0 (+/-0.00) OVERALL : 1.3 (+/- 0.04)</div> <div>Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*</div>	<div>Cape York : xx Wet Tropics : xx Burdekin : xx Mackay-Whit : xx Fitzroy Basin : xx Burnett Mary : xx TOTAL (GBR) : xx TOTAL : 165 (148 fishing; 17 harvest)</div> <div>Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2011)</div>
	ACTIVE licenses in GBR	Active Line licences	Active Trawl licences
	<div><b>Marine regions: fishing + harv(#)+harv(wt)^</b> Far Northern : 70 + 5 + 9 Northern : 95 + 9 + 4 Wet Tropics : 221 + 20 + 17 Burdekin : 169 + 4 + 3 Mackay-Whit : 154 + 13 + 12 Fitzroy : 276 + 17 + 15 Burnett-Mary : 135 + 1 + 1 Total GBR : 673 + 41 +45</div> <div>Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*</div>	<div><b>Marine regions</b> Far Northern : 23 Northern : 42 Wet Tropics : 109 Burdekin : 79 Mackay-Whit : 41 Fitzroy : 97 Burnett Mary : 32 TOTAL (GBR) : 273 (234 wi CRFF; 145 SM)</div> <div>Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*</div>	<div><b>Marine regions (otter + beam)</b> Far Northern : 42 + 0 Northern : 40 + 0 Wet Tropics : 54 + 0 Burdekin : 45 + 2 Mackay-Whit : 36 + 7 Fitzroy : 86 + 17 Burnett Mary : 73 + 1 TOTAL (GBR) : 176 + 25</div> <div>Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*</div>
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†Licences with symbols that allow access to the GBR. Location based on home address of licence owner as at March 2013. \*ACTIVE licence data for 2012 calendar year for GBR area only. ^Aquarium fish, beche-de-mer, pearl, worms and yabbies recorded as numbers; coral, rock lobster and FW eel recorded as weight. No overlap between harvest licence types \*\*Also unknown number of informal lessees



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## A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – WHAT are people doing?

### Active Net licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 4
Northern	: 16
Wet Tropics	: 66
Burdekin	: 55
Mackay-Whit	: 60
Fitzroy	: 62
Burnett Mary	: 20
TOTAL (GBR)	: 218
(% licenses with S symbol on Qld EC : 42% <sup>2</sup>	

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*;  
<sup>2</sup>Fisheries Qld, unpubl. data (2011)

### Active Pot licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 4
Northern	: 10
Wet Tropics	: 48
Burdekin	: 37
Mackay-Whit	: 60
Fitzroy	: 86
Burnett Mary	: 25
TOTAL (GBR)	: 222
(205 mudcrab; 23 BS crab)	

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*\*

### Active marine aquarium fish harvest licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 1
Northern	: 5
Wet Tropics	: 16
Burdekin	: 1
Mackay-Whit	: 9
Fitzroy	: 8
Burnett Mary	: 0
TOTAL (GBR)	: 28

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

### Active Bêche-de-mer licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 3
Northern	: 4
Wet Tropics	: 4
Burdekin	: 3
Mackay-Whit	: 2
Fitzroy	: 4
Burnett Mary	: 0
TOTAL (GBR)	: 6

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

### Active Lobster licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 8
Northern	: 1
Wet Tropics	: 0
Burdekin	: 0
Mackay-Whit	: 0
Fitzroy	: 0
Burnett Mary	: 0
TOTAL (GBR)	: 8

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

### Active Coral licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 1
Northern	: 3
Wet Tropics	: 16
Burdekin	: 2
Mackay-Whit	: 10
Fitzroy	: 14
Burnett Mary	: 0
TOTAL (GBR)	: 31

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

### Active Pearl licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 1
Northern	: 0
Wet Tropics	: 0
Burdekin	: 0
Mackay-Whit	: 0
Fitzroy	: 0
Burnett Mary	: 0
TOTAL (GBR)	: 1

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

### Active worm and yabby licences

#### Marine regions

Far Northern	: 0
Northern	: 0
Wet Tropics	: 0
Burdekin	: 0
Mackay-Whit	: 2
Fitzroy	: 5
Burnett Mary	: 1
TOTAL (GBR)	: 6

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

\*ACTIVE licence data for 2012 calendar year for GBR area only.

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## A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – HOW are they doing it?

### Vessel length

#### Average main vessel length

Cape York	: 10.18 m
Wet Tropics	: 11.48 m
Burdekin	: 10.65 m
Mackay Whits	: 9.18 m
Fitzroy Basin	: 8.86 m
Burnett Mary	: 12.43 m

Intrastate	: 11.52 m
Interstate	: 9.60 m
Overseas	: 7.5 m

Line fishers	: 9.94 m
Trawl	: 15.49 m
Net	: 7.59 m
Pot	: 7.40 m
Harvest	: xx m

GBR overall : 10.85m

Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)<sup>#</sup>

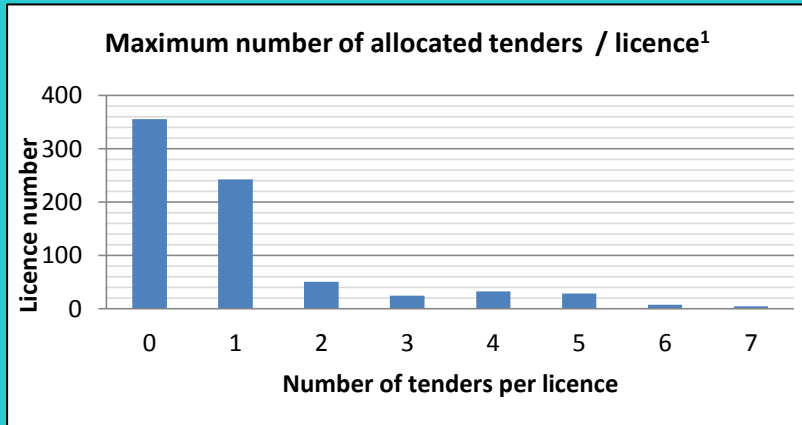
### Number of tenders

#### Average # of tenders<sup>1</sup>

Cape York	: 1.5
Wet Tropics	: 1.4
Burdekin	: 1.1
Mackay Whits	: 1.5
Fitzroy Basin	: 0.9
Burnett Mary	: 0.6
Intrastate	: 0.8
Interstate	: 0.6
Overseas	: 2.5

#### Average # of tenders<sup>1</sup>

Line fishers	: 2.1
Trawl	: 0.2
Net	: 0.9
Pot	: 0.8
Harvest	: xx



#### ***Tidbit***

1 main vessel allowed per licence

Many net / pot fishers operate with their “tender” as their “main vessel”<sup>2</sup>

Most large line boats (CRFF) typically use 5 tenders / “dories” from their main vessel<sup>3</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF, unpublished data (2013)<sup>#</sup>; <sup>2</sup>Tobin R et al. (2010); <sup>3</sup>Tobin A et al (2010)

<sup>#</sup>Based on licences with symbols that allow access to the GBR. Location based on home address of licence owner. Data current March 2013.

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – HOW are they doing it?

<div>Business planning</div> <div><div><div>% with formal plan</div><div>Line fishers : xx%</div><div>Trawl : xx%</div><div>Net : xx%</div><div>Pot : xx%</div><div>Harvest : xx%</div></div><div><div>GBR overall : xx%</div><div>Qld overall : xx%</div></div><div><div>Avg years since reviewed</div><div>Never : xx% of businesses</div><div>1-2 years : xx%</div><div>2-5 years : xx%</div><div>&gt;5 years : xx%</div></div><div><div>Line fishers : xx yrs</div><div>Trawl : xx</div><div>Net : xx</div><div>Pot : xx</div><div>Harvest : xx</div></div><div><div>GBR overall : xx</div><div>Qld overall : xx</div></div></div>	<div>Investment in training</div> <div><div><div>% that provide training</div><div>Line fishers : xx%</div><div>Trawl : xx%</div><div>Net : xx%</div><div>Pot : xx%</div><div>Harvest : xx%</div></div><div><div>GBR overall : xx%</div><div>Qld overall : xx%</div></div><div><div>Average amount spent on training per business</div><div>Line fishers : \$xx</div><div>Trawl : \$xx</div><div>Net : \$xx</div><div>Pot : \$xx</div><div>Harvest : \$xx</div></div><div><div>GBR overall : \$xx</div><div>Qld overall : \$xx</div></div></div>	<div>Working condition policies</div> <div><div><div>% that utilise OH&amp;S policies</div><div>Line fishers : xx%</div><div>Trawl : xx%</div><div>Net : xx%</div><div>Pot : xx%</div><div>Harvest : xx%</div></div><div><div>GBR overall : xx%</div><div>Qld overall : xx%</div></div></div>	<div>Technology</div> <div><div><div>% added new technology in past year</div><div>Line fishers : 49%</div><div>Trawl : 57%</div><div>Net : 38%</div><div>Pot : 53%</div><div>Harvest : 40%</div><div>GBR Overall : 49%</div></div><div><div>Most common new technology added (% of those with new tech)</div><div>GPS : 62%</div><div>Depth Sounder : 21%</div><div>Radar : 10%</div><div>Radio(2-way/VHF) : 7%</div><div>Computer : 4%</div><div>Auto-pilot :3%</div><div>Sonar :2%</div><div>AIS :2%</div></div></div>
Ref: xxx	Ref: xxx	Ref: xxx	Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – HOW are they doing it?

### # of licences per owner<sup>1</sup>

Cape York	: 1.09
Wet Tropics	: 1.36
Burdekin	: 1.16
Mackay Whits	: 1.15
Fitzroy Basin	: 1.37
Burnett Mary	: 1.24
Intrastate	: 1.34
Interstate	: 1.17
Overseas	: 1.00 (n=2)

Line fishers	: 1.25
Trawl	: 1.19
Net	: 1.16
Pot	: 1.25
Harvest	: 1.75

GBR overall	: 1.27
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Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

### # of fishery types\* per licence

#### % licences in # of fishery types

##### DAFF<sup>1</sup> vs SELTMP<sup>2</sup>

1 fishery type	: 74% <sup>1</sup> ; 60% <sup>2</sup>
2 type	: 20% <sup>1</sup> ; 24% <sup>2</sup>
3 type	: 43% <sup>1</sup> ; 13% <sup>2</sup>
4 type	: 2% <sup>1</sup> ; 2% <sup>2</sup>
5 types	: 0% <sup>1</sup> ; 0% <sup>2</sup>

#### Average fishery type # DAFF<sup>1</sup> vs SELTMP<sup>2^</sup>

Cape York	: 1.33 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.38 <sup>2</sup>
Wet Tropics	: 1.25 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.63 <sup>2</sup>
Burdekin	: 1.50 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.82 <sup>2</sup>
Mackay Whits	: 1.44 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.38 <sup>2</sup>
Fitzroy Basin	: 1.59 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.62 <sup>2</sup>
Burnett Mary	: 1.22 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.57 <sup>2</sup>
Intrastate	: 1.13 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.38 <sup>2</sup>
Interstate	: 1.14 <sup>1</sup> ; -
Overseas	: 1.00 <sup>1</sup> ; -

Line fishers	: xx ; 1.30 <sup>2</sup>
Trawl	: xx ; 1.33 <sup>2</sup>
Net	: xx ; 2.14 <sup>2</sup>
Pot	: xx ; 2.26 <sup>2</sup>
Harvest	: xx ; 1.15 <sup>2</sup>

GBR overall	: 1.32 <sup>1</sup> ; 1.57 <sup>2</sup>
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Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*; <sup>2</sup>SELTMP Survey 2013

### Operator types

#### % of each type surveyed

Owner-operator	: 92%
Owner-non-operator:	4%
Lessee	: 3%
Other	: 5%

#### % owner-operators<sup>^</sup>

Cape York	: 100%
Wet Tropics	: 91%
Burdekin	: 97%
Mackay Whits	: 83%
Fitzroy Basin	: 92%
Burnett Mary	: 97%

Line fishers	: 90%
Trawl	: 91%
Net	: 100%
Pot	: 97%
Harvest	: 81%

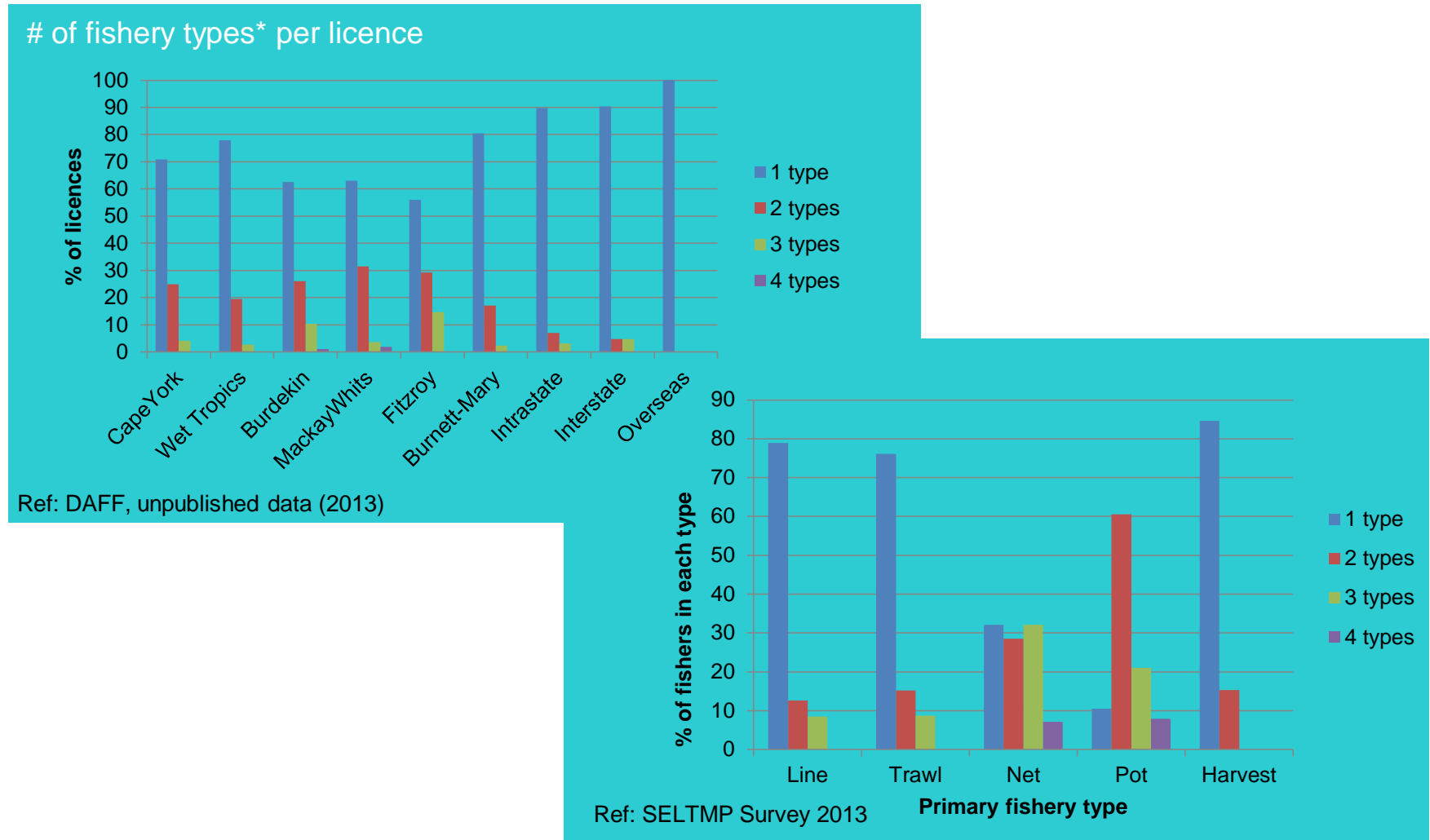
GBR overall	: 92%
Qld overall	: xx

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

\*These were active in 2012. NRM location based on correspondence address of licence owner as at 2013.\*Fishery types defined as line, trawl, net, pot, harvest rather than specific symbol. ^Based on Home PORT NRM

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## A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – HOW are they doing it?



\*Fishery types defined as line, trawl, net, pot, harvest rather than specific symbol. NRM location based on correspondence address of licence owner

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) *Use of the Environment*: 1. Activities – HOW are they doing it?

### Product type\*

#### Line<sup>1</sup>:

CRFF:	Live	Whole	Gill/gutted	Fillet
CT	87%	8%	3%	2%
RTE	0	38%	1%	61%

#### Trawl<sup>1</sup>:

Raw	Processed	Cooked
xx	xx	xx

#### Net<sup>1</sup>:

Whole	Trunked	Gill/gutted	Fillet
69%	15%	11%	5%

#### Pot<sup>1</sup>:

Live	Dead
20%	80%

#### Harvest<sup>2</sup>:

Rocklobster	Whole	Tails
	88%	12%

Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF, unpublished data (2013); <sup>2</sup>Luke Bekker, Fisheries Qld Quota Monitoring Team, pers. comm. (2013)

### Diversity of product

#### % of fishers who market >1 product type

Line fishers	: xx%
Trawl	: xx%
Net	: xx%
Pot	: xx%
Harvest	: xx%

Ref: xxx

\*For CRFF and Rocklobster, data are from Catch Disposal Records so should be accurate reflection of 1<sup>st</sup> point of sale. For Crab and Net, product from as it is harvested, not necessarily how it is sold, due to limitations in current data recording (by catch logbook)



# SELTMP 2013:

## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – HOW MUCH are they fishing?

Total effort days	Average effort days / licence
<b>Marine regions</b> <b>Fishing + Harvest</b> Far Northern : 2,958 + 639 Northern : 4,330 + 216 Wet Tropics : 12,465 + 1,012 Burdekin : 9,483 + 231 Mackay-Whit : 10,204 + 226 Fitzroy : 20,001 + 775 Burnett Mary : 3,710 + 20 TOTAL (GBR) : 63,104 + 3,118	<b>Marine regions</b> <b>Fishing + Harvest</b> Far Northern : 42 + 46 Northern : 46 + 17 Wet Tropics : 56 + 27 Burdekin : 56 + 33 Mackay-Whit : 66 + 9 Fitzroy : 72 + 24 Burnett Mary : 27 + 10 TOTAL (GBR) : 94 + 36
Line fishers: : 13,785 Trawl: Beam : 576 Otter : 16,420 Net: : 9,657 Pot: : 24,000 Harvest : Aquarium fish: 630 Rocklobster : 559 BDM : 548 Coral : 752 Pearl : NR (<5 boats) Worms and Yabbies : 429	Line fishers: : 50 Trawl: Beam : 23 Otter : 93 Net: : 44 Pot: : 108 Harvest : Aquarium fish: 23 Rocklobster : 70 BDM : 91 Coral : 24 Pearl : NR (<5 boats) Worms and Yabbies : 72
Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*	Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)*

\*ACTIVE licence data for 2012 calendar year for GBR area only

# SELTMP 2013:

## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### A) Use of the Environment: 1. Activities – HOW MUCH are they harvesting?

#### # of harvest species

Line fishers:	
CRFF	: 3 sp grps**1
SM	: 1 sp <sup>2</sup>
Trawl:	
Beam	: 4 sp <sup>3</sup>
Otter	: 7 sp <sup>4</sup>
Net:	: 10 grps <sup>5</sup>
Pot:	: 2 sp <sup>6,7</sup>
Harvest:	
Rocklobster	: 1 sp <sup>8</sup>
MAFF	: 47 grps <sup>9</sup>
Bêche-de-mer:	2 sp <sup>10</sup>
Other	: multiple

Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF (2012b); <sup>2</sup>DAFF (2012c); <sup>3</sup>DEEDI (2011a); <sup>4</sup>DAFF (2012a); <sup>5</sup>DEEDI (2011b); <sup>6</sup>DEEDI (2011c); <sup>7</sup>DEEDI (2011d); <sup>8</sup>DEEDI (2011e); <sup>9</sup>DEEDI (2010a); <sup>10</sup>DEEDI (2010b)

#### Harvest amount

##### Marine regions

	fishing +	harvest (#s) +	harv (wts)^
Far Northern	: 685.26 t	64,603	148.15 t
Northern	: 736.55 t	794,178	0.82 t
Wet Tropics	: 1203.65 t	96,143	66.54 t
Burdekin	: 1007.76 t	232,622	3.43 t
Mackay-Whit	: 990.03 t	24,317	6.73 t
Fitzroy	: 2561.93 t	242,903	15.62 t
Burnett Mary	: 516.92 t	1,350	0.20 t
<b>TOTAL (GBR)</b>	<b>: 7702.10 t</b>	<b>1,456,116</b>	<b>241.49 t</b>

##### By method:

Line:	: 1729.25 t
CRFF	: 1,358.07 t
SM	: 248.02 t
Trawl:	
Beam	: 25.81 t
Otter	: 3309.69 t
Net:	: 1579.08 t
Pot:	: 1055.93 t
Mudcrab	: 842.95 t
Blueswimmer:	6.56 t
Harvest :	
Aquarium fish:	73,002 individ
Bêche-de-mer	
	: 1,332,840 ind.
Rocklobster	: 147.82 t
Coral	: 89.14 t
Pearl	: NR (< 5 boats)
Worms and yabbies	
	: 50,165 ind.

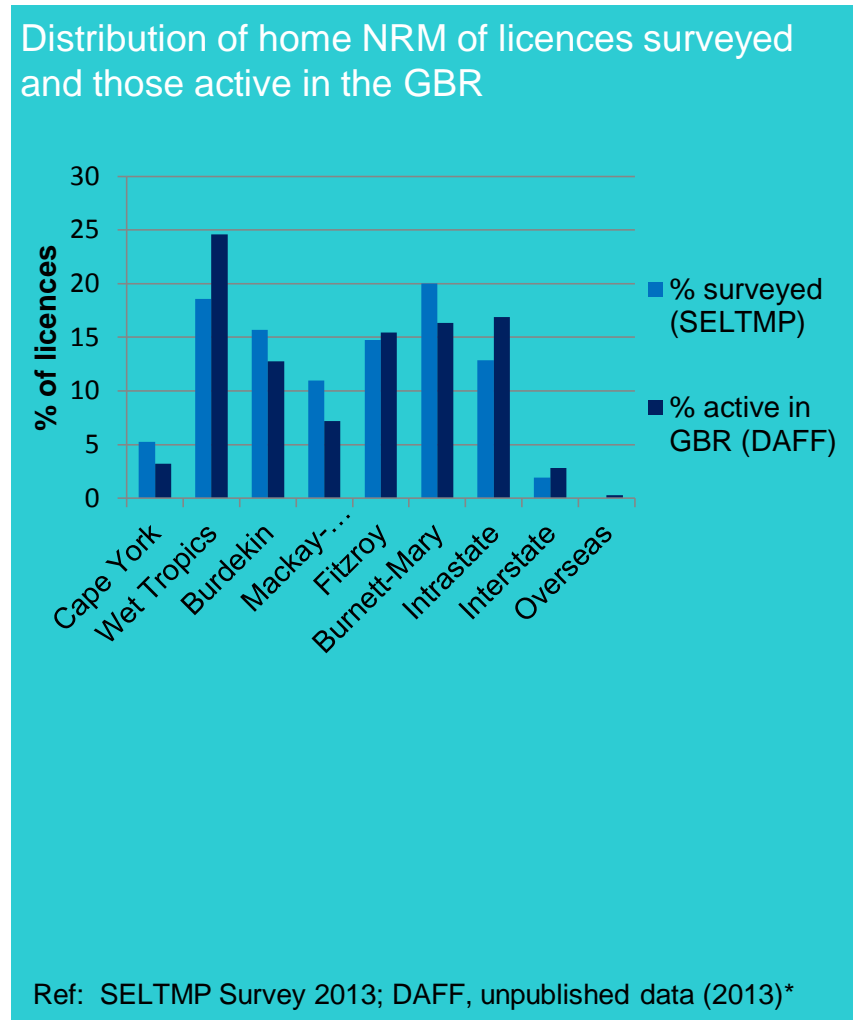
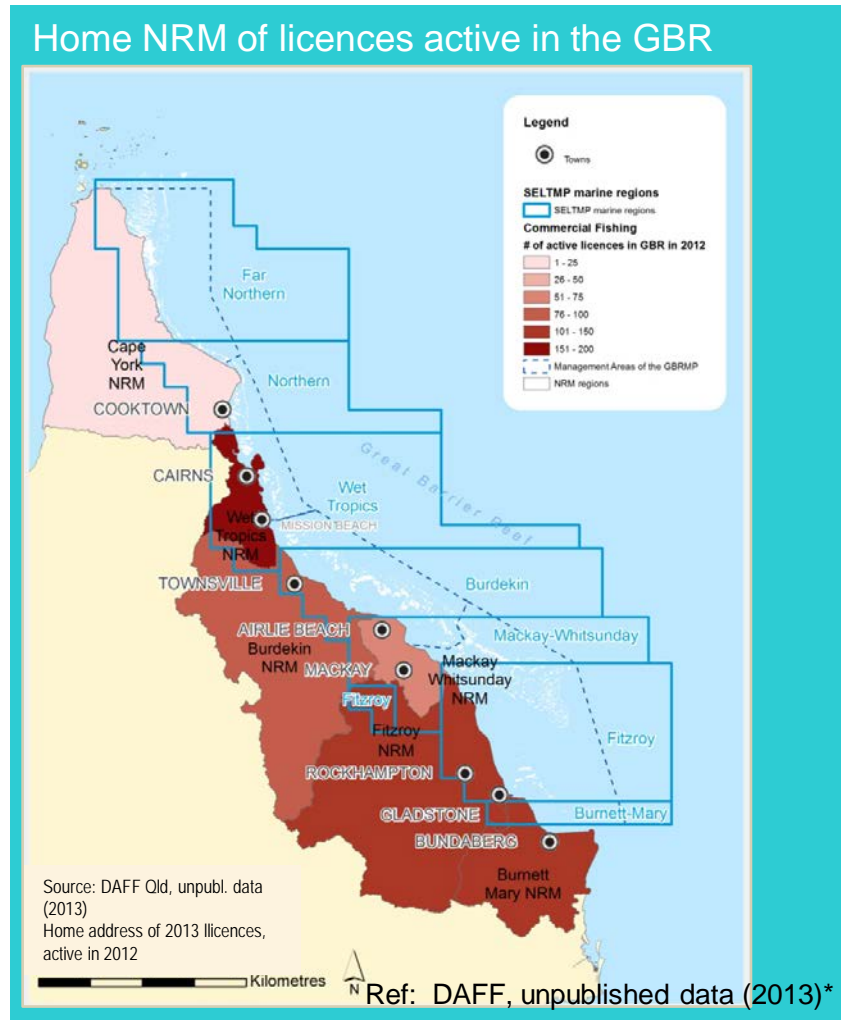
Ref: DAFF, unpublished data (2013)\*

\*\*Some fisheries are managed by species groups (e.g. 'other species' which includes multiple species), rather than individual species;

\*GBR only, 2012 calendar year; ^ Weight unavailable for harvest fisheries monitored by number

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they from?



\*Based on 2013 licence holder home address for those licences active in the GBR for the 2012 calendar year

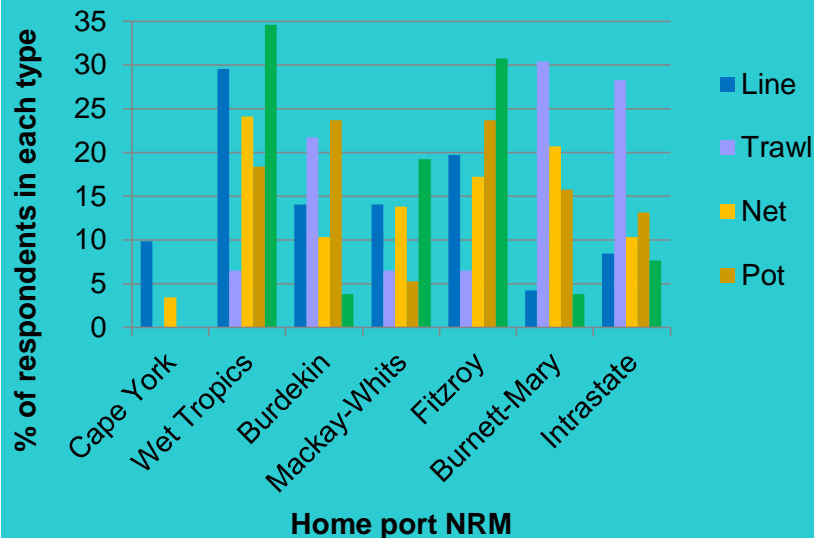
# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they accessing it?

### Key home ports

#### Home Port NRMs : % of surveyed fishers who listed them

Cape York	: 4%
Wet Tropics	: 22%
Burdekin	: 16%
Mackay-Whits	: 11%
Fitzroy	: 19%
Burnett-Mary	: 14%
Intrastate	: 14%



Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

### Diversity of access points

#### % fishers using 1 port only\*

Cape York	: 75%
Wet Tropics	: 55%
Burdekin	: 52%
Mackay Whits	: 71%
Fitzroy Basin	: 56%
Burnett Mary	: 50%
Intrastate	: 31%

Line fishers	: 55%
Trawl	: 43%
Net	: 48%
Pot	: 55%
Harvest	: 69%

GBR overall	: 53%
Qld overall	: xx%

#### Distance between multiple ports:

Range	: x-xx km
Average	: xx km
Median	: xx km

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

\*Based on home PORT NRM listed in survey rather than home address of licence holder

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they going?

### Distance operating from home port

1-50 km	: 30% of operators <sup>1</sup>
51-100 km	: 29% <sup>1</sup>
101-200 km	: 18% <sup>2</sup>
201-500 km	: 21% <sup>2</sup>
501-1000 km	: 4% <sup>2</sup>
>1000 km	: 3% <sup>2</sup>

### Average distance

Cape York	: xxkm
Wet Tropics	: xxkm
Burdekin	: xxkm
Mackay Whits	: xxkm
Fitzroy Basin	: xxkm
Burnett Mary	: xxkm

Line fishers	: xxkm
Trawl	: xxkm
Net	: xxkm
Pot	: xxkm
Harvest	: xxkm

GBR overall : 216km<sup>+</sup>/ 29<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup> SELTMP Survey 2013;

<sup>2</sup>Marshall and Tobin (2012)\*

### Roamers vs locals

#### % operators who fish Very local (<50km) Close (50-100km) Roamer (>100km)

#### Home PORT NRM

Cape York	: 0%	38%	63%
Wet Tropics	: 40%	21%	38%
Burdekin	: 21%	36%	42%
Mackay-Whits	: 29%	33%	38%
Fitzroy	: 39%	21%	39%
Burnett Mary	: 27%	40%	33%
Intrastate	: 24%	24%	52%

#### Fishery type

Line fishers	: 17%	35%	48%
Trawl	: 13%	27%	60%
Net	: 52%	21%	28%
Pot	: 55%	26%	18%
Harvest	: 35%	27%	38%

#### % operators who fish Very local (<50km) Close (50-100km) Roamer (>100km)

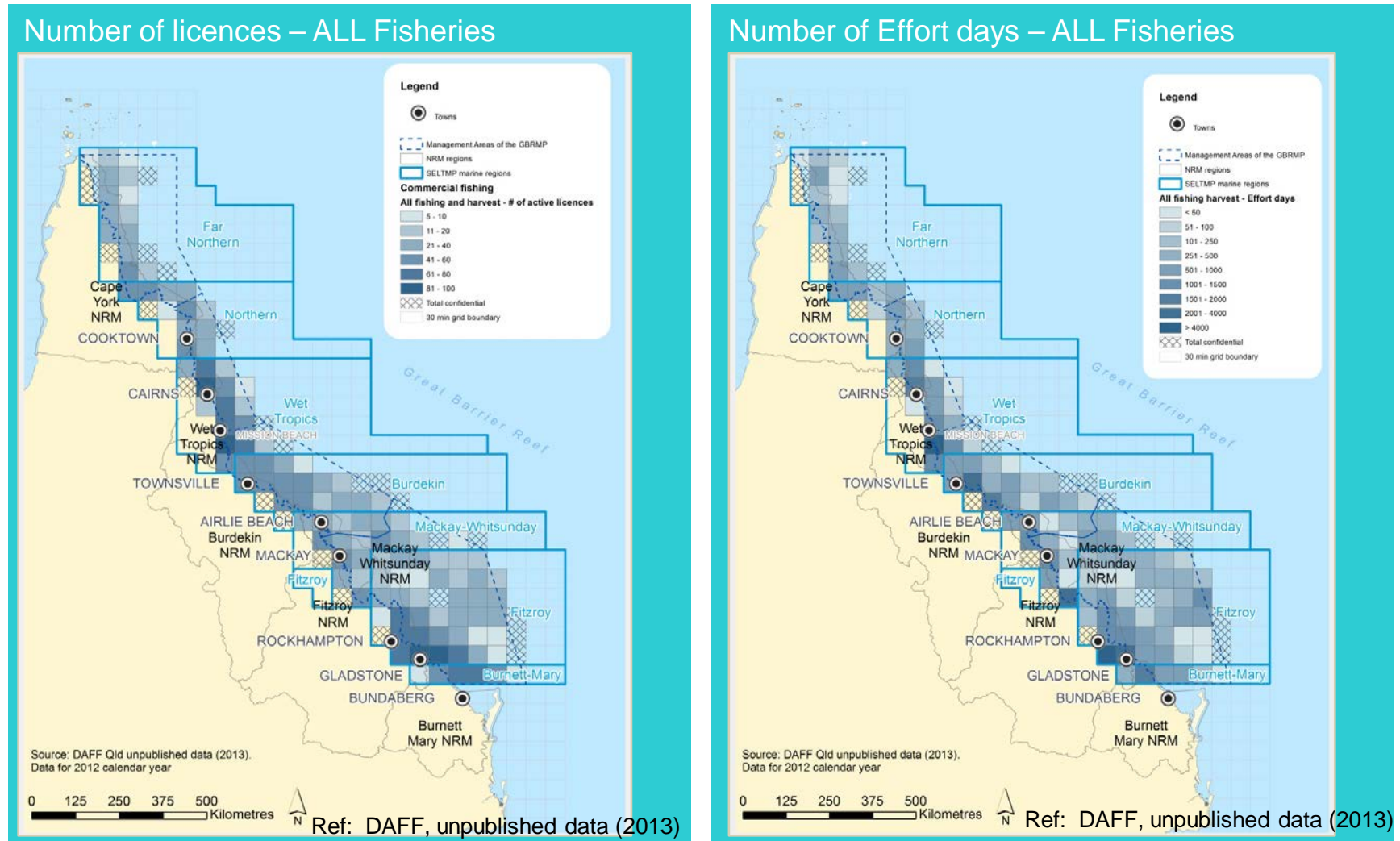
GBR overall	: 30%	29%	41%
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Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

\*Sample of 145 fishers, including multiple types. Sample sizes not large enough to warrant further analysis by region or type

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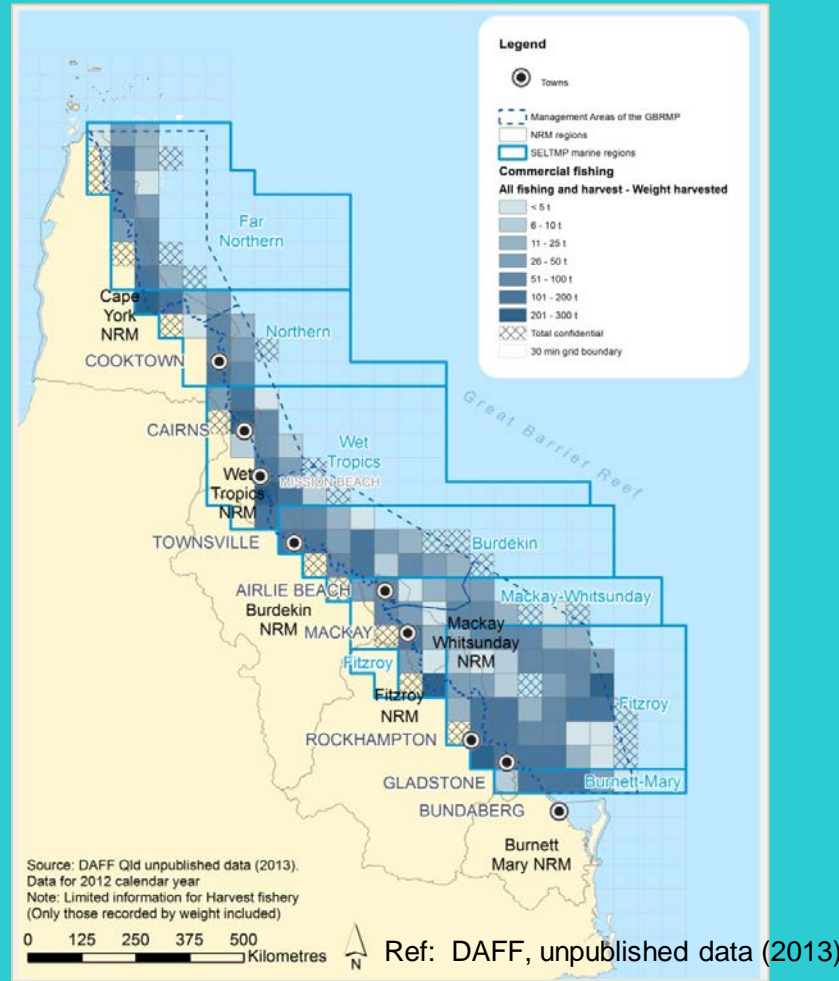




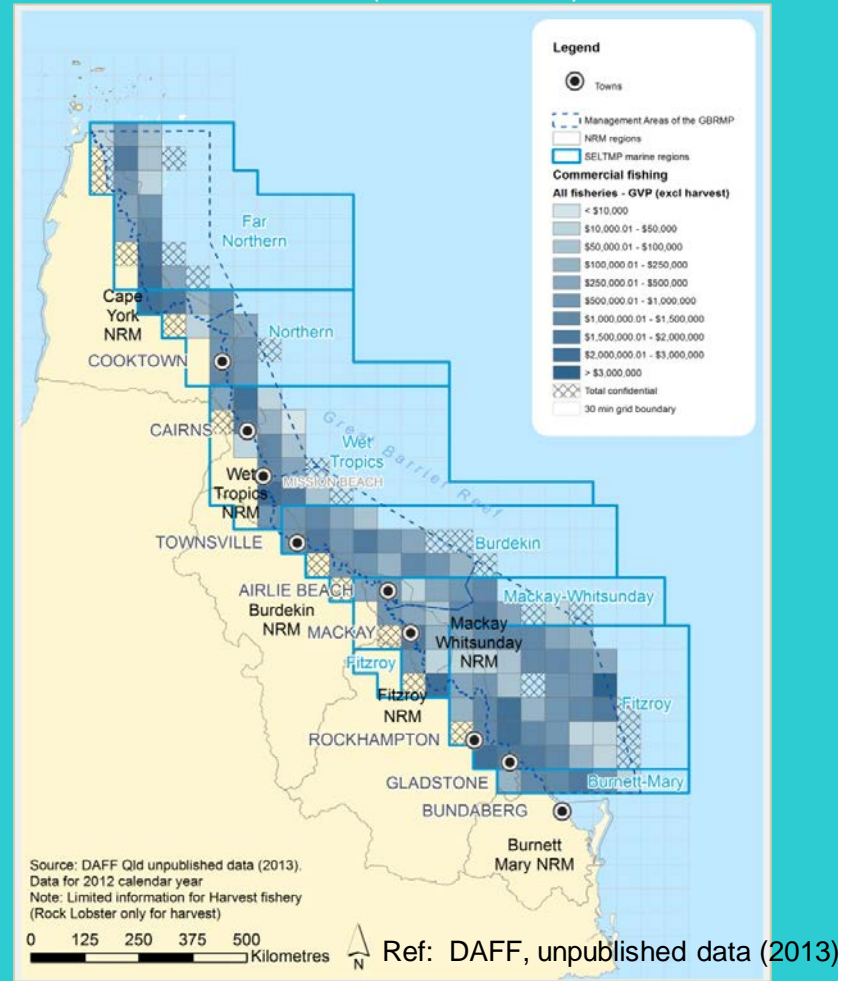
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## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they going?

Weight harvest – ALL Fisheries (excl. some harvest\*)



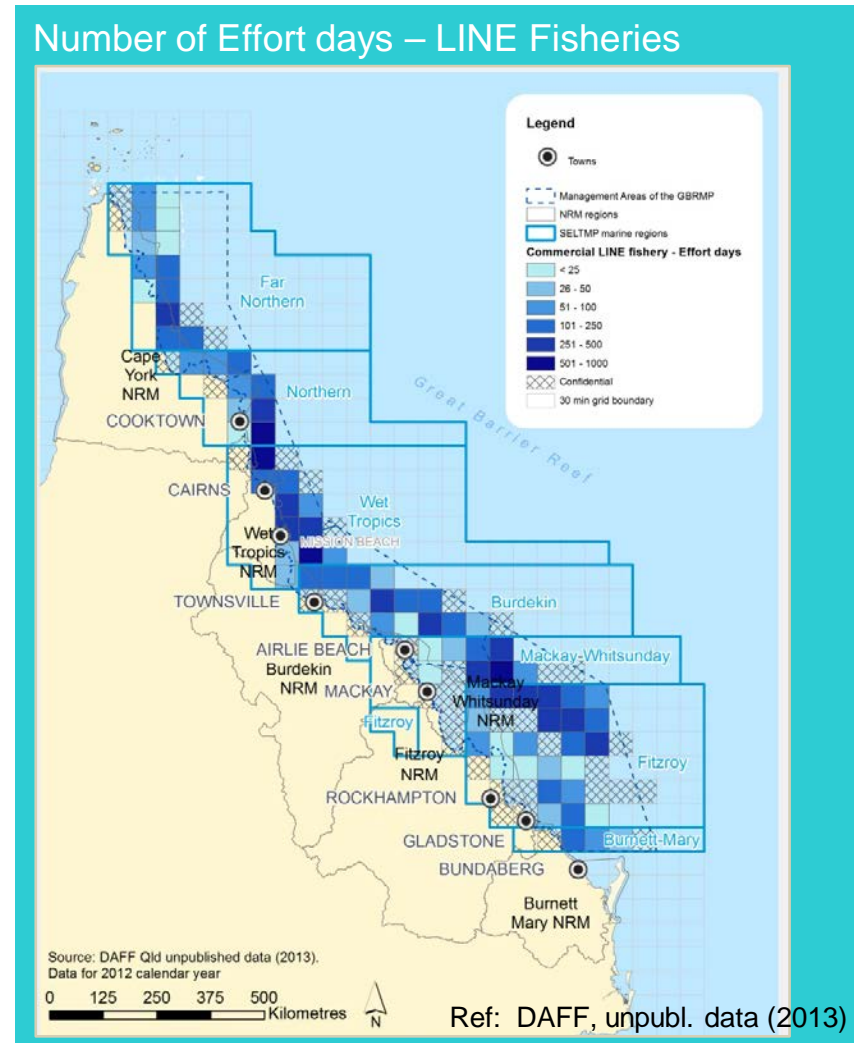
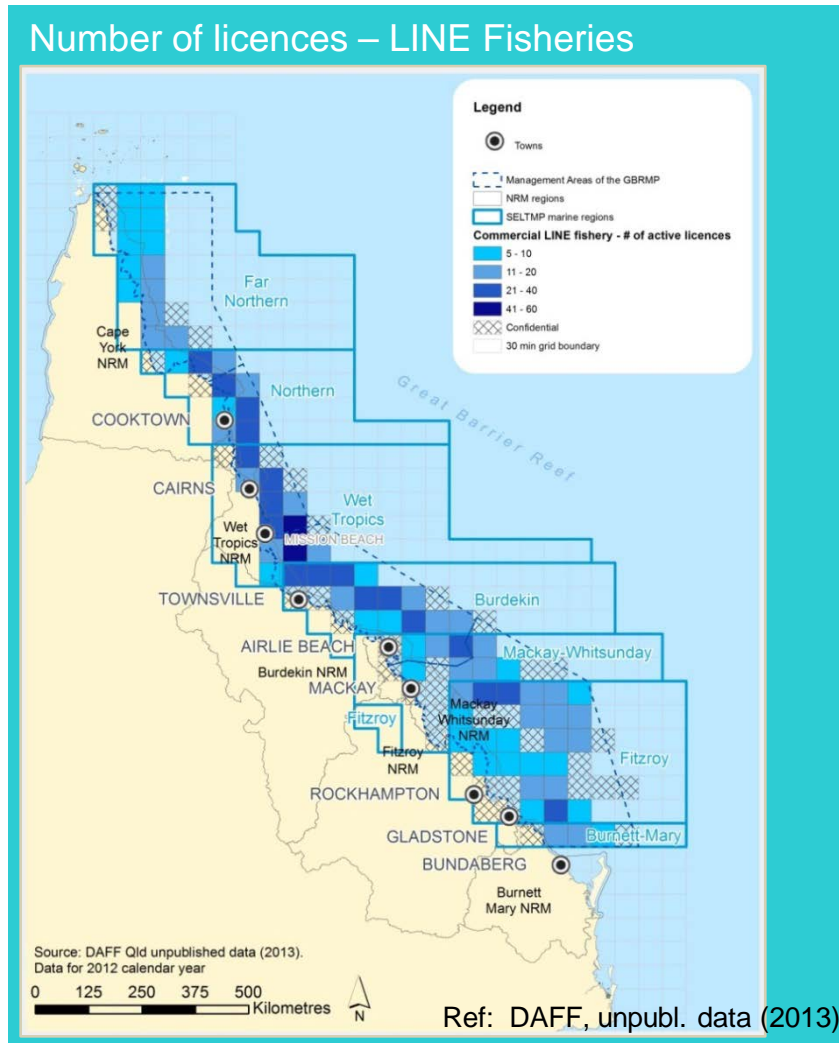
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\*Weight unavailable for harvest fisheries monitored by number; GVP unavailable for harvest fisheries (except rocklobster)

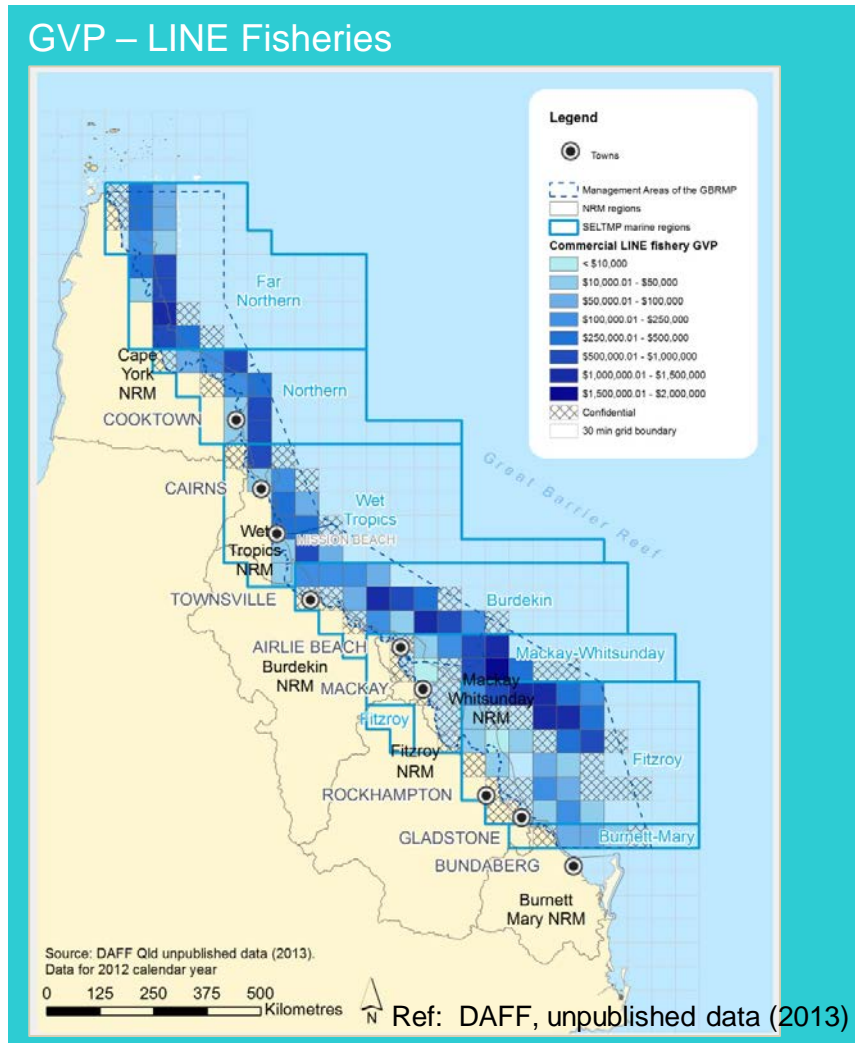
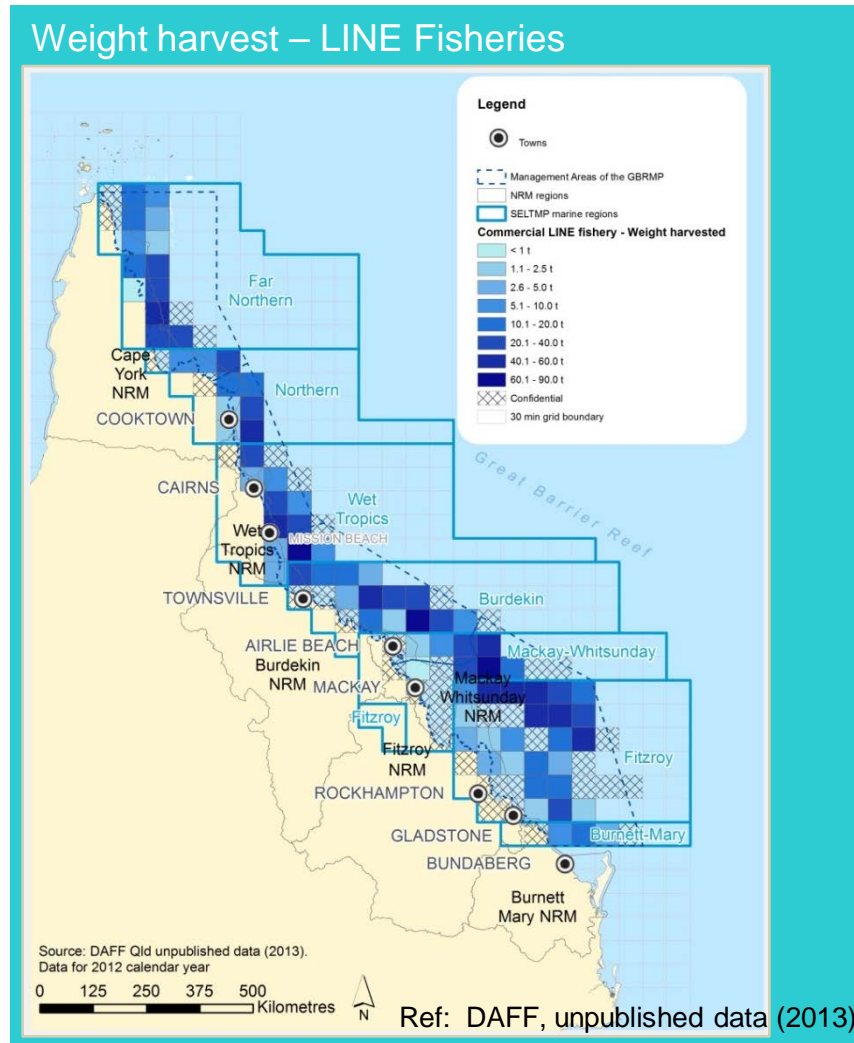
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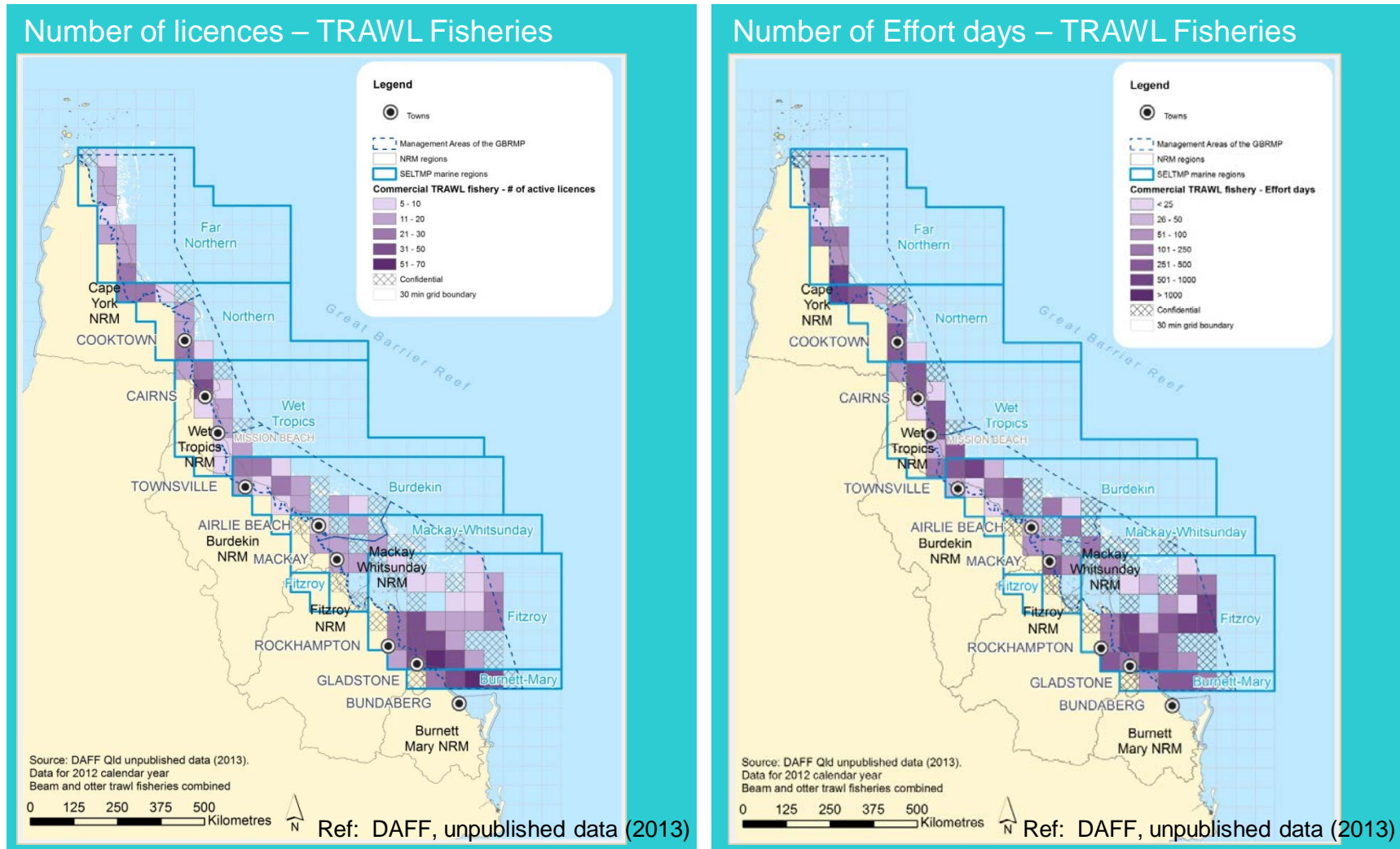
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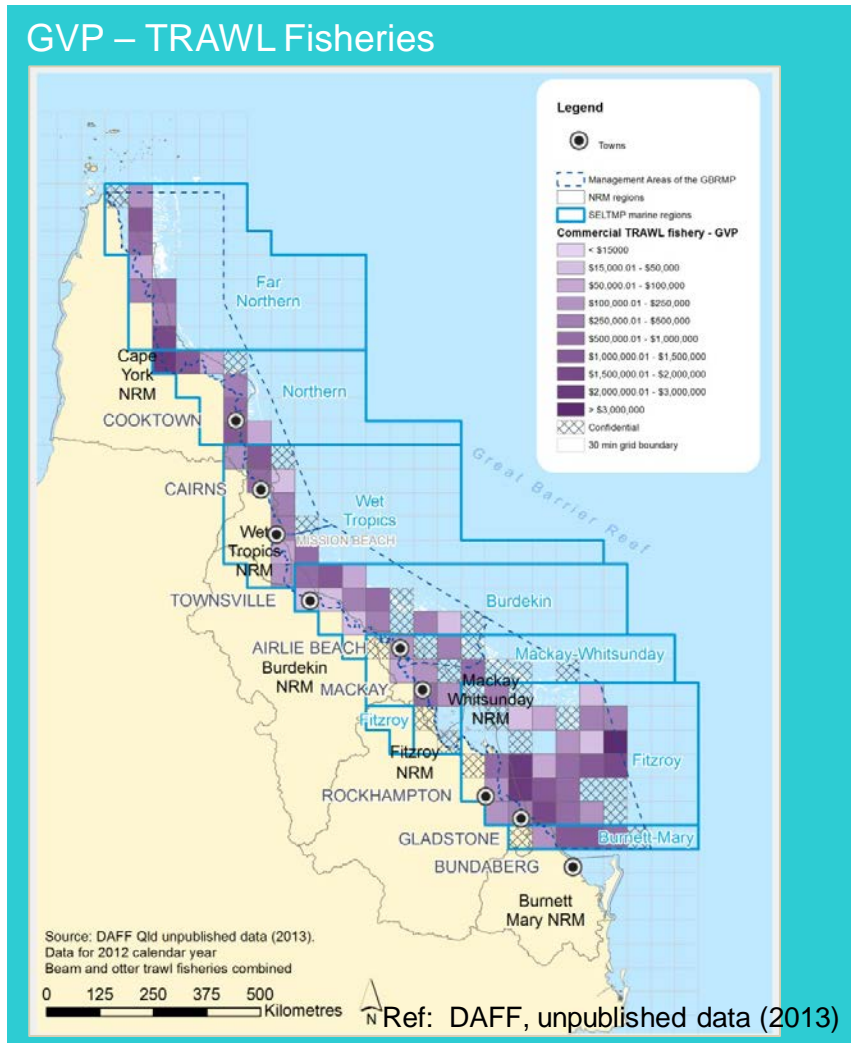
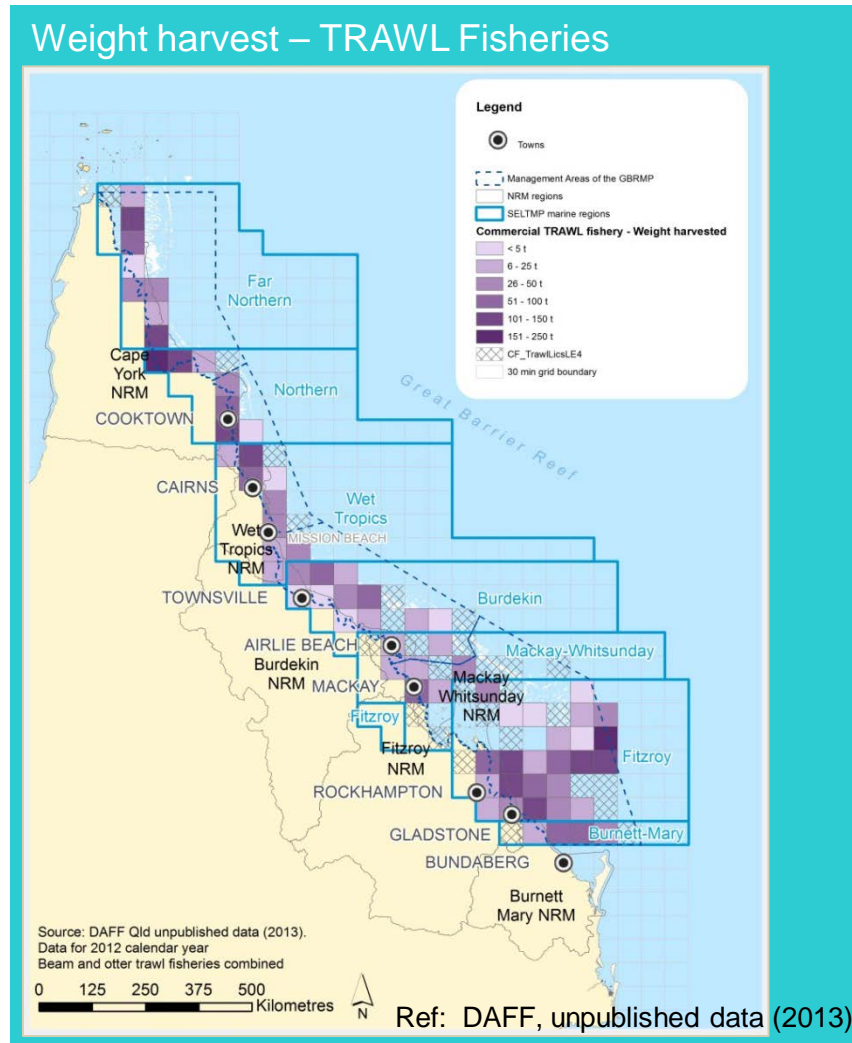
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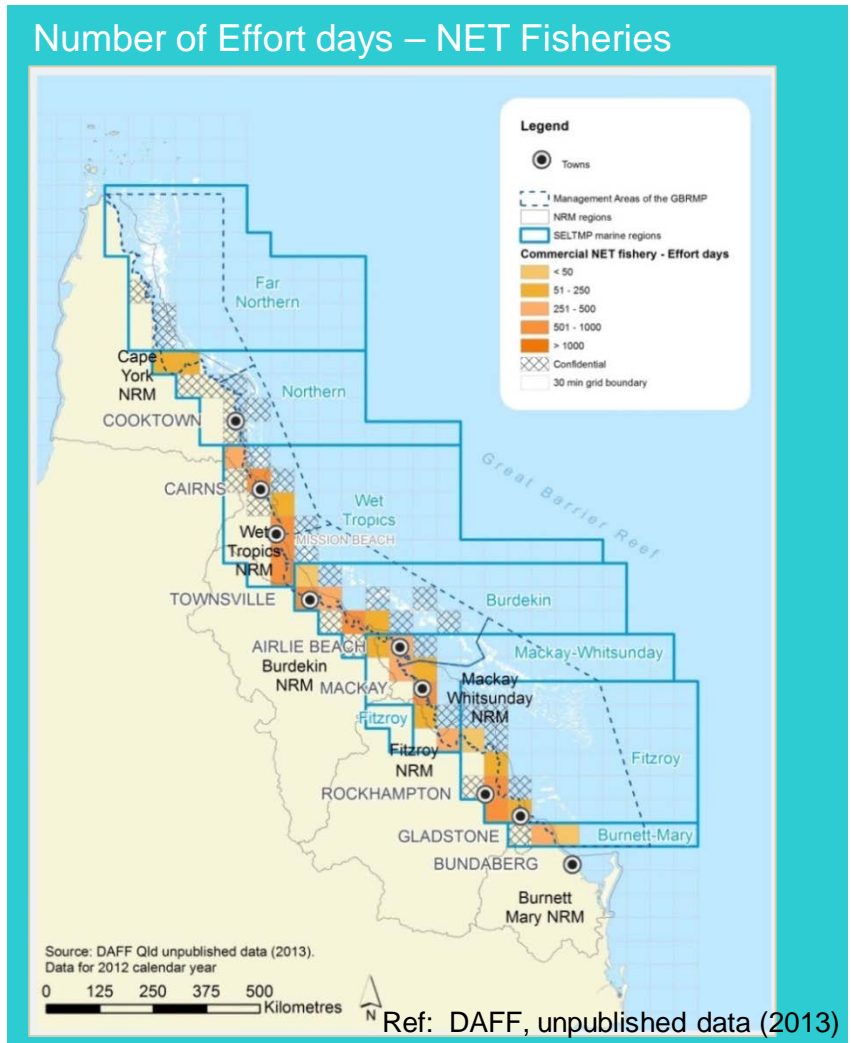
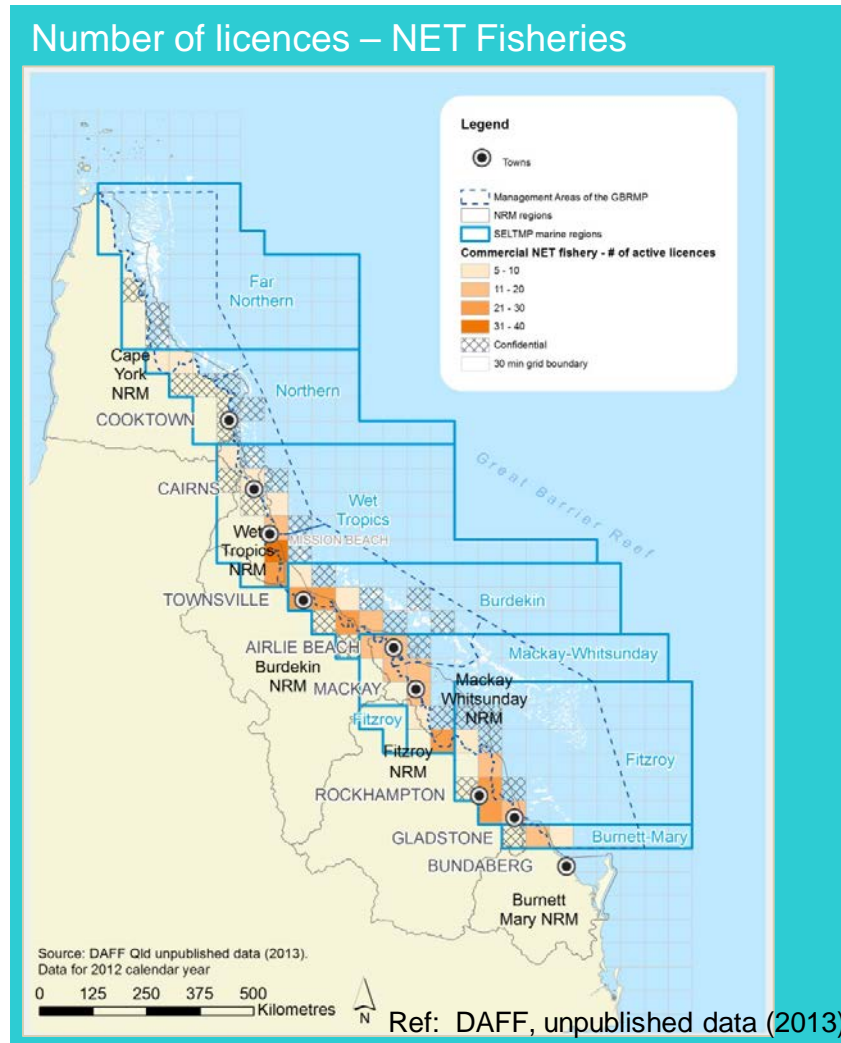
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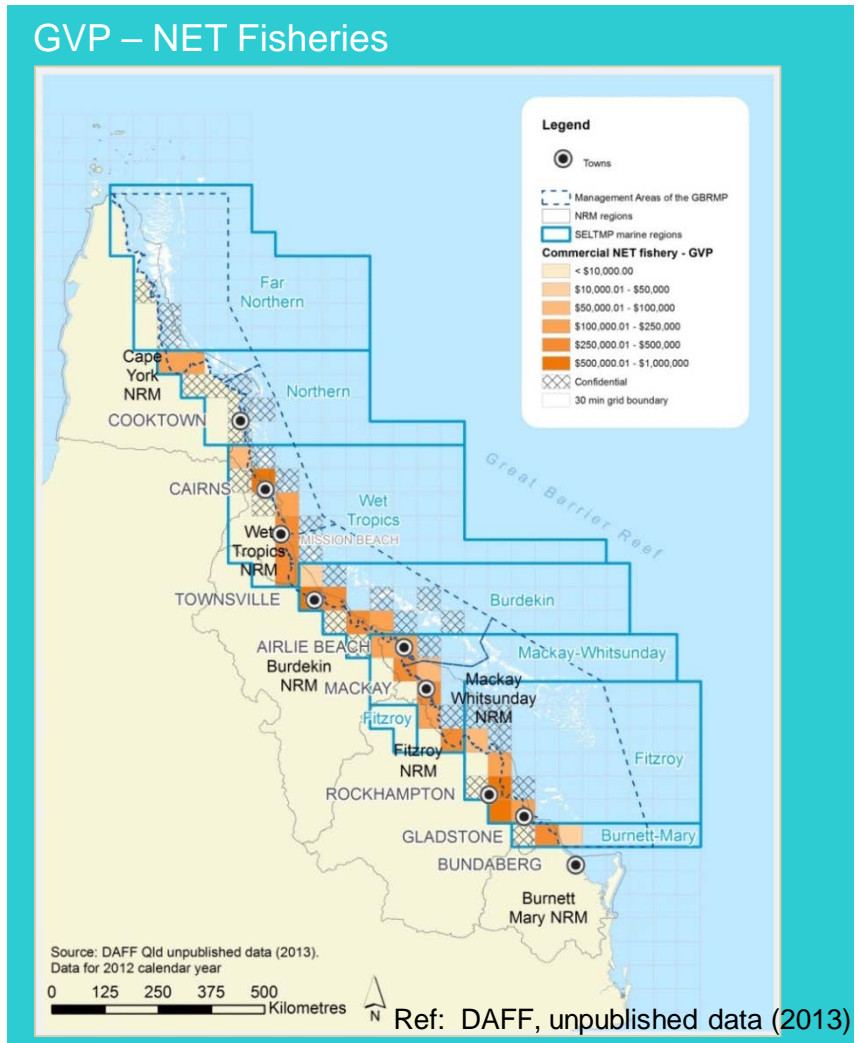
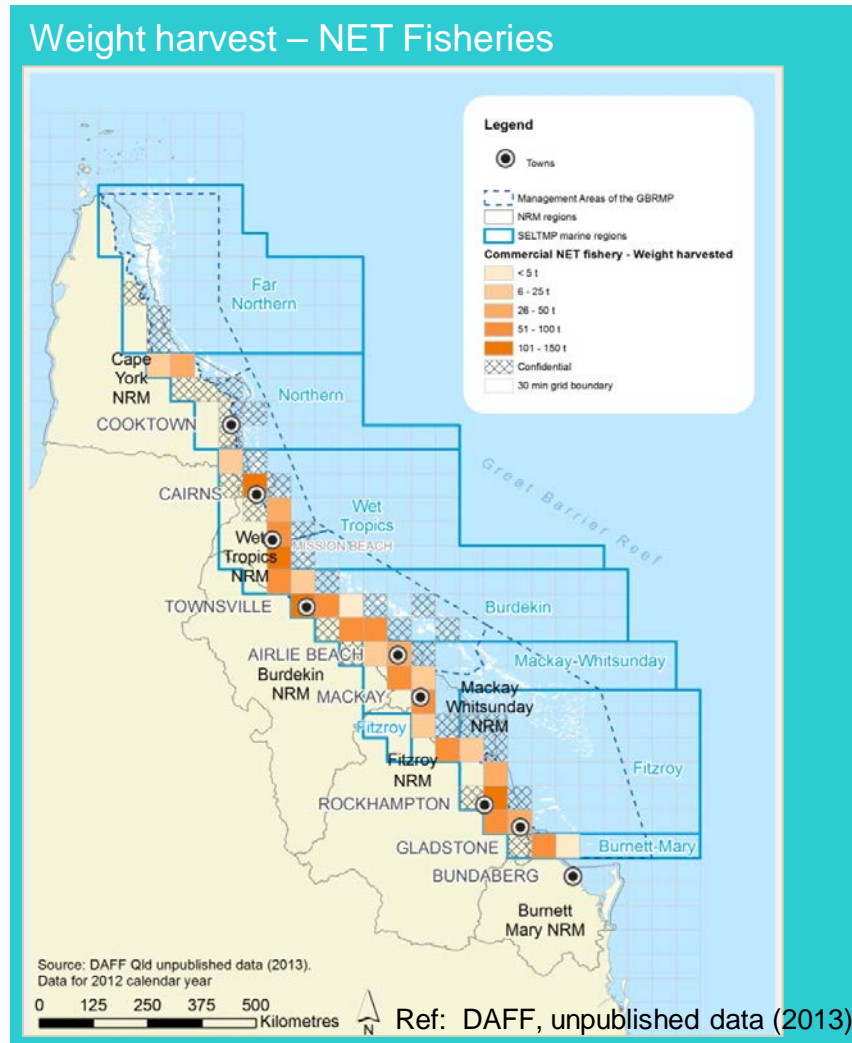
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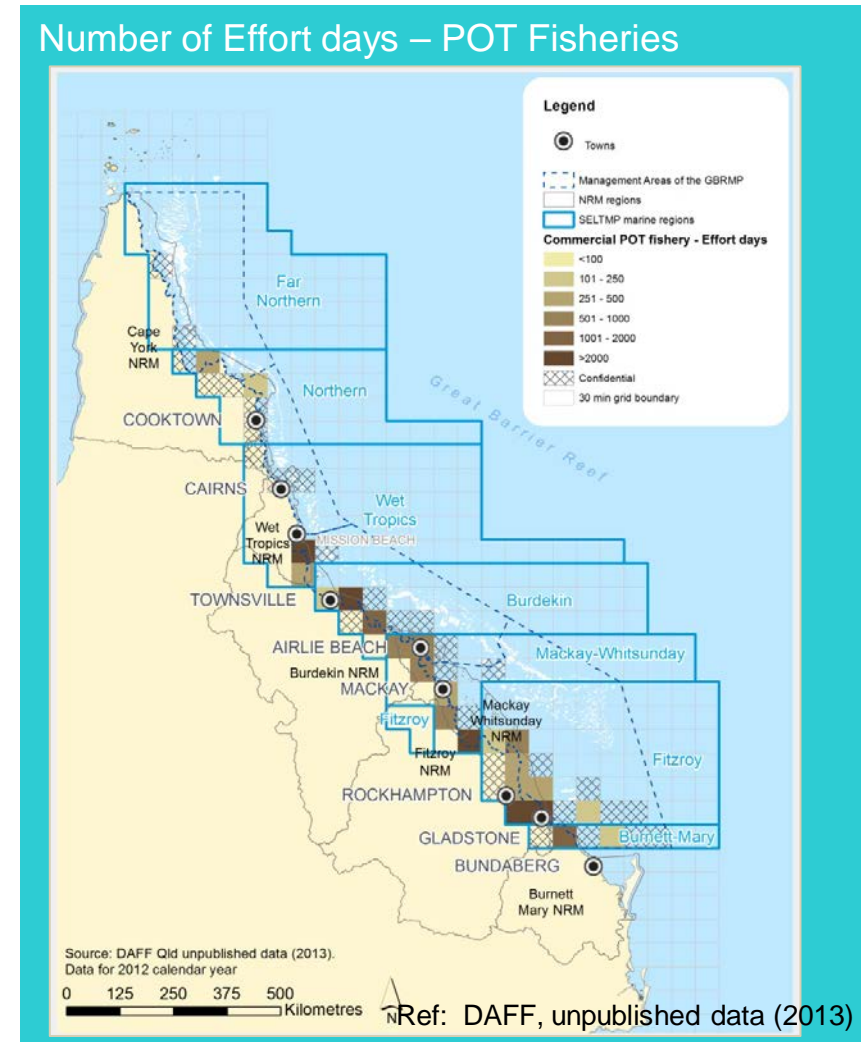
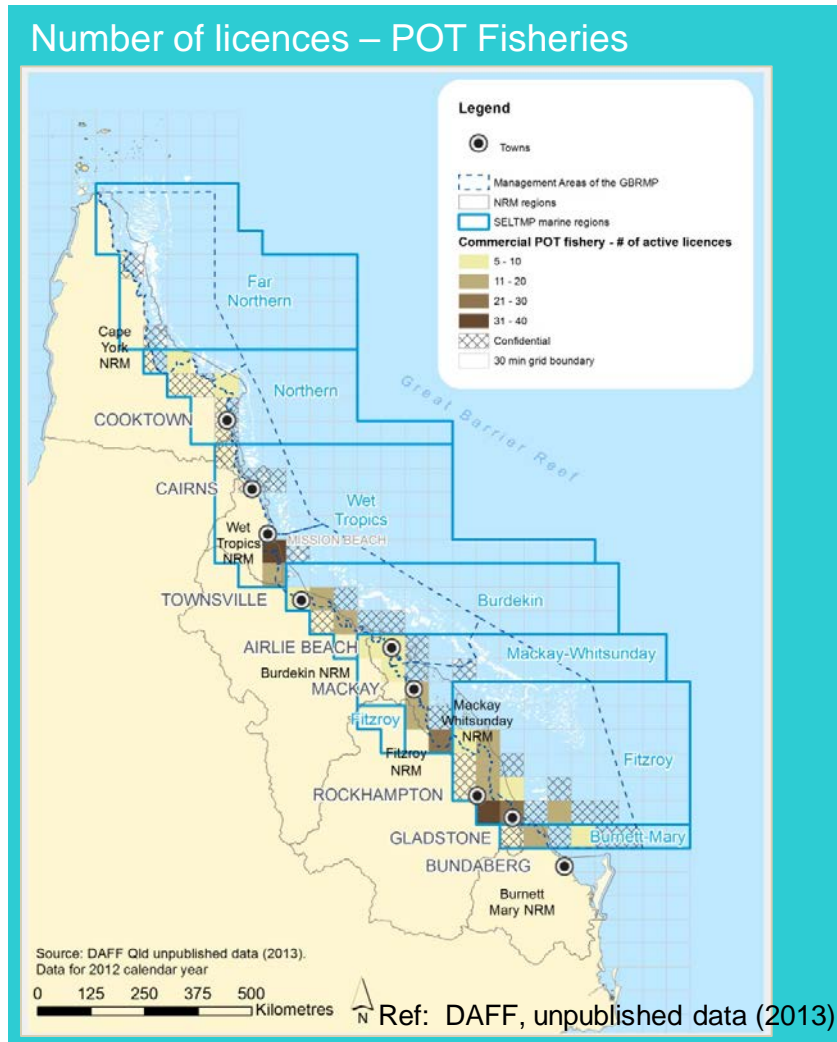
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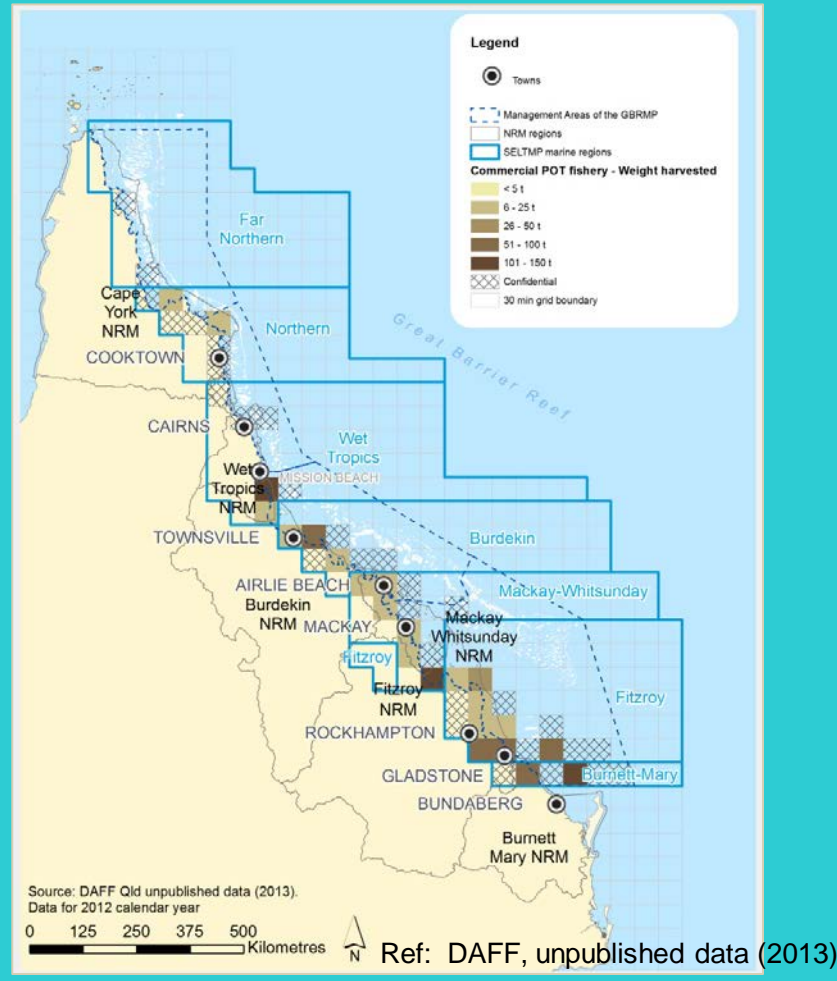
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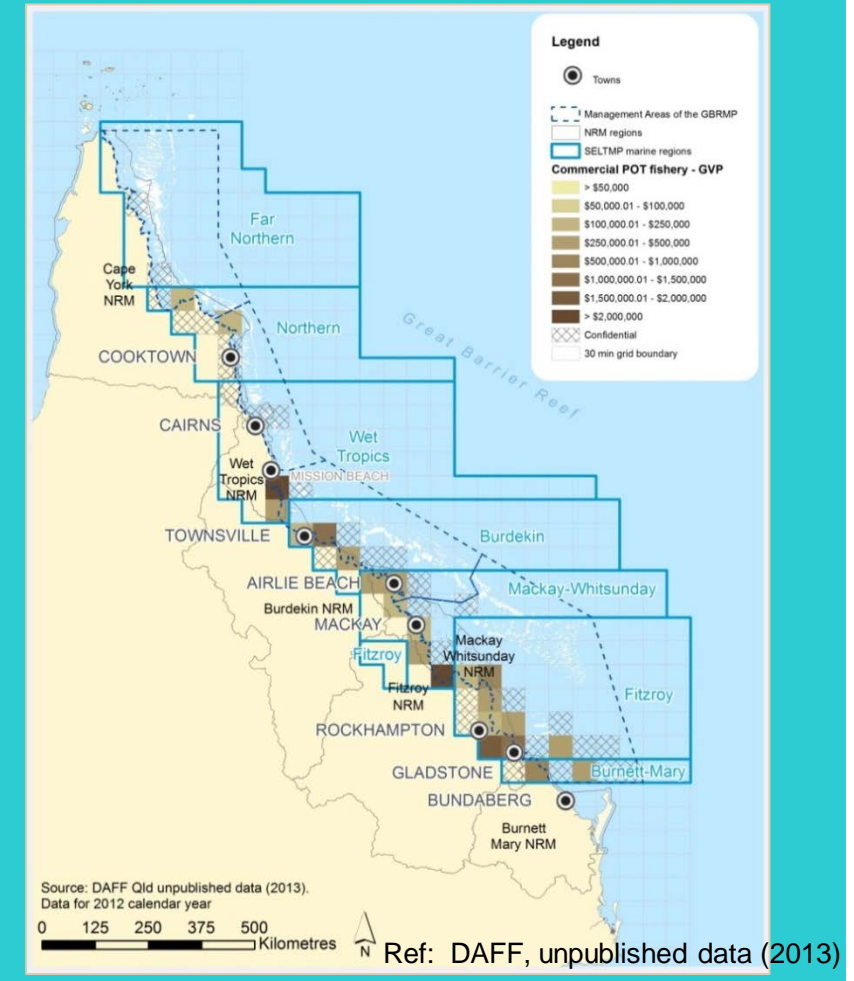
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## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they going?

Weight harvest – POT Fisheries



GVP – POT Fisheries

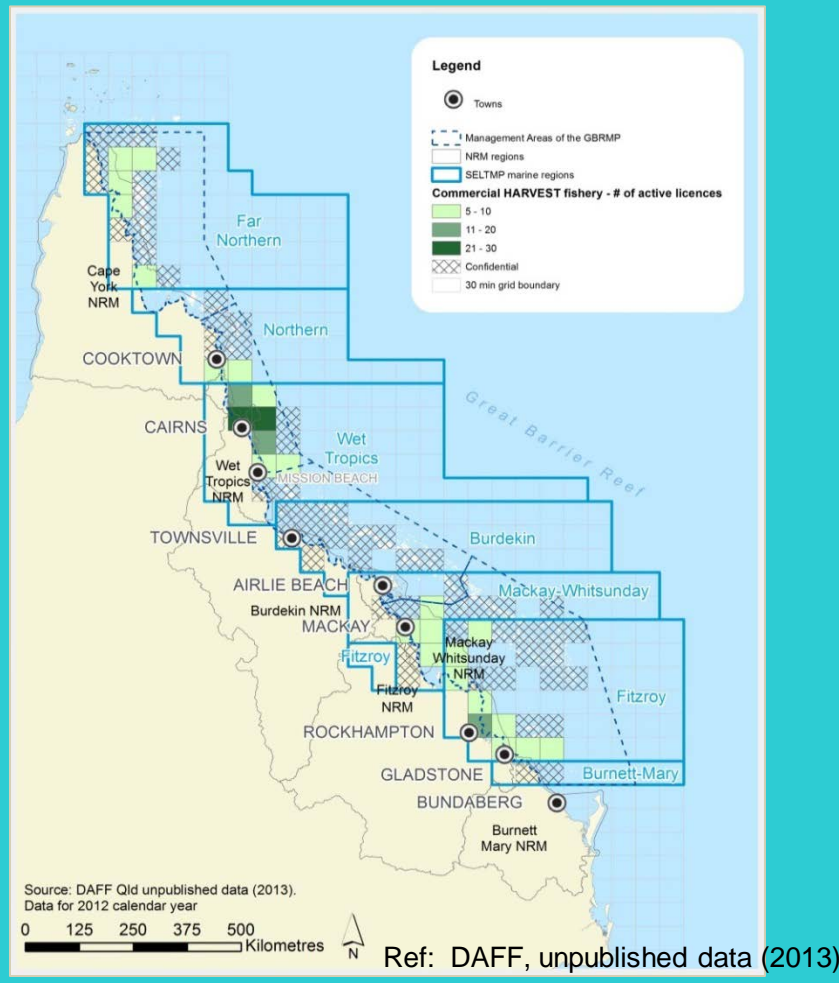




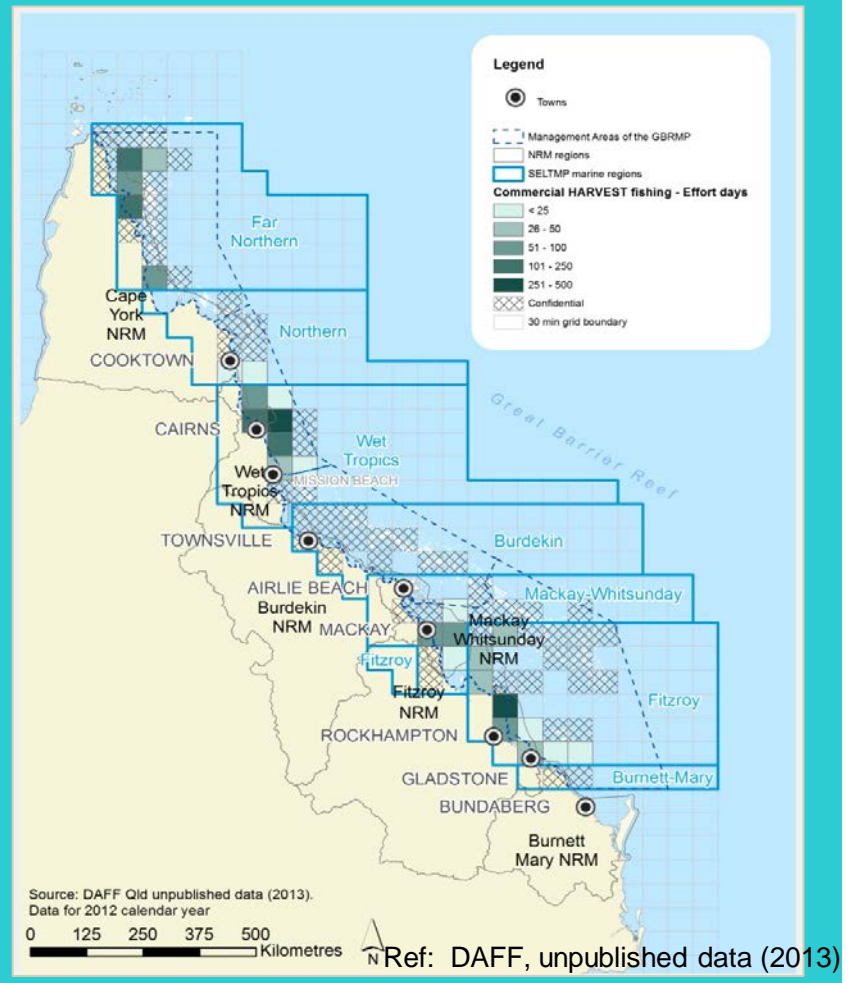
# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they going?

Number of licences – HARVEST Fisheries

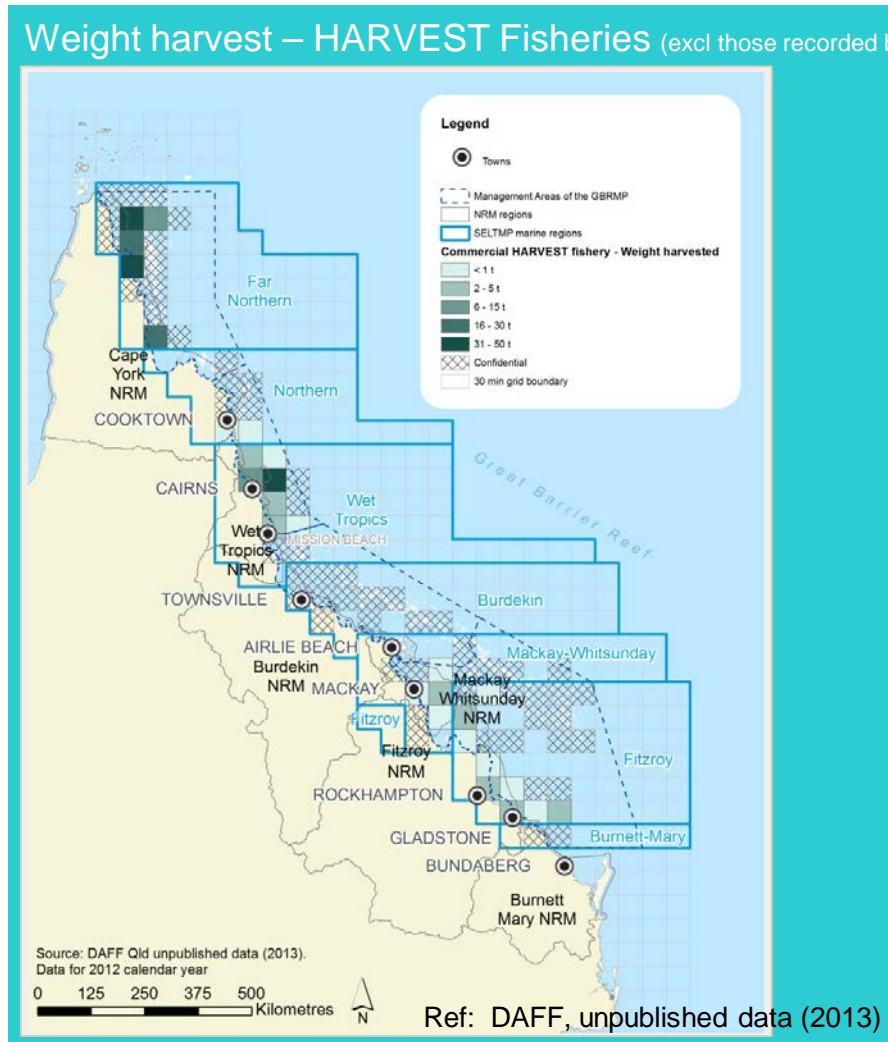


Number of Effort days – HARVEST Fisheries



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## A) *Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they going?*



# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Use of the Environment: 2. Spatial patterns – WHERE are they selling?

### Fisher utilised markets

**Market type : Avg% (median%) of product sold there;  
+ % fishers who sell all there**

Local market	: 30% (85%) ; 45% sell all here
Intrastate	: 13% (0%) ; 4% sell all here
Interstate	: 13% (0%) ; 3% sell all here
Overseas	: 13% (0%) ; 2% sell all here

#### **Sell direct to...**

Wholesalers	: 81% (100%) ; 59% sell all here
Retailers	: 9% (0%) ; 4% sell all here
Restaurants	: 2% (0%) ; 1% sell all here
Public	: 7% (0%) ; 3% sell all here

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

### Flow-on markets

#### Line fishery:

CRFFF	95% <sup>1</sup> CT Exported live. Most RTE and OS sold domestic whole / fillet <sup>1</sup>
SM	Exports negligible <sup>2</sup>

#### Trawl fisheries:

Otter	Accredited to export to USA <sup>3</sup>
Beam	Exports negligible <sup>4</sup>

Net fisheries:	Export mullet roe, shark & small mackerel. (No estimate). Remainder domestic <sup>5</sup>
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Pot fisheries:	Sold local + interstate <sup>6,7</sup>
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#### Harvest fisheries:

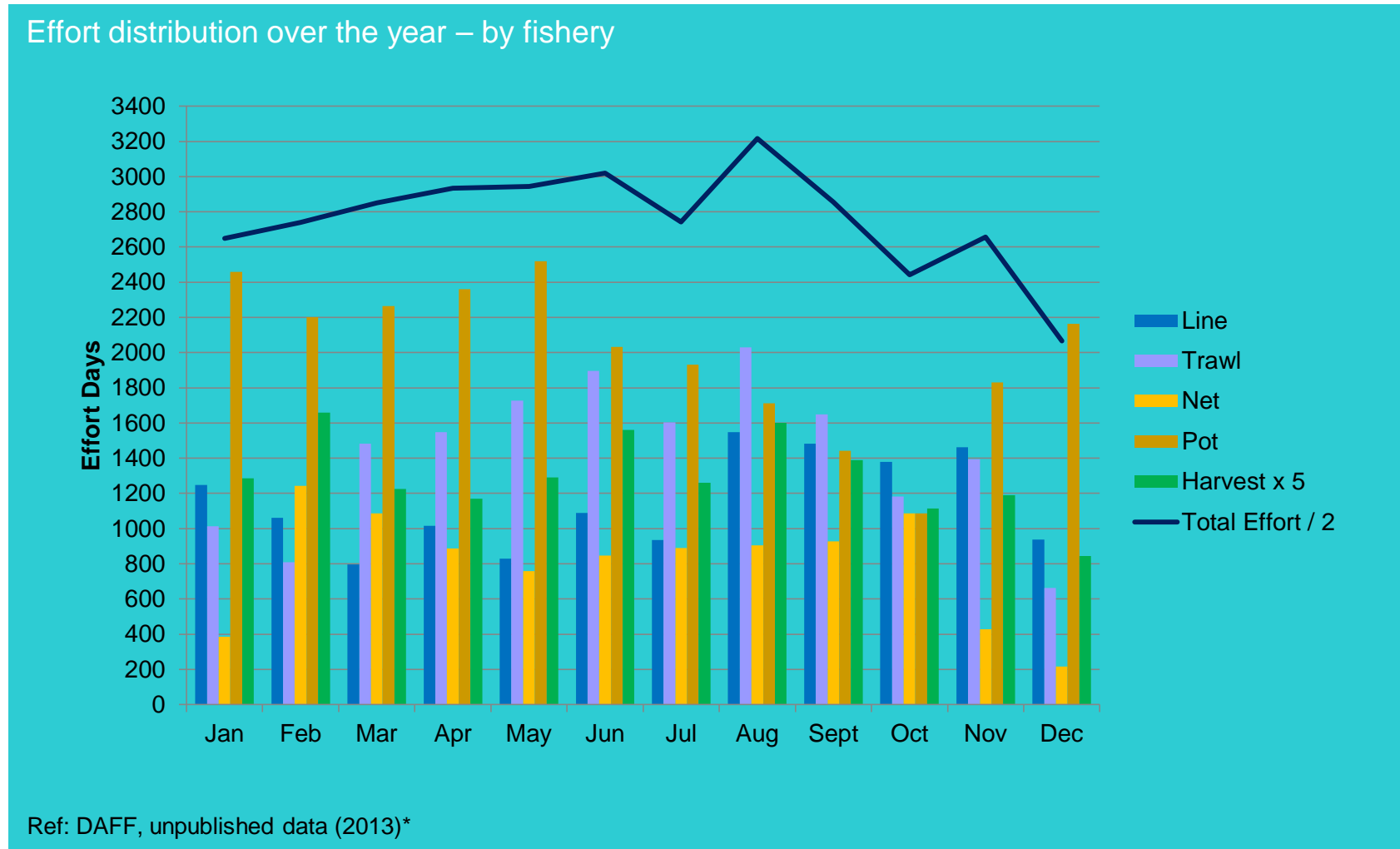
MAFF	58% Export <sup>8</sup>
Coral	xx
Rocklobster	sold as whole live animals or as frozen tails on export & domestic markets <sup>9</sup>
BDM	Exports primarily to China <sup>10</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF (2012b); <sup>2</sup>DAFF (2012c); <sup>3</sup>DAFF (2012a); <sup>4</sup>DEEDI (2011a); <sup>5</sup>DEEDI (2011b); <sup>6</sup>DEEDI (2011c); <sup>7</sup>DEEDI (2011d); <sup>8</sup>DEEDI (2010a); <sup>9</sup>DEEDI (2011e); <sup>10</sup>DEEDI (2010b)



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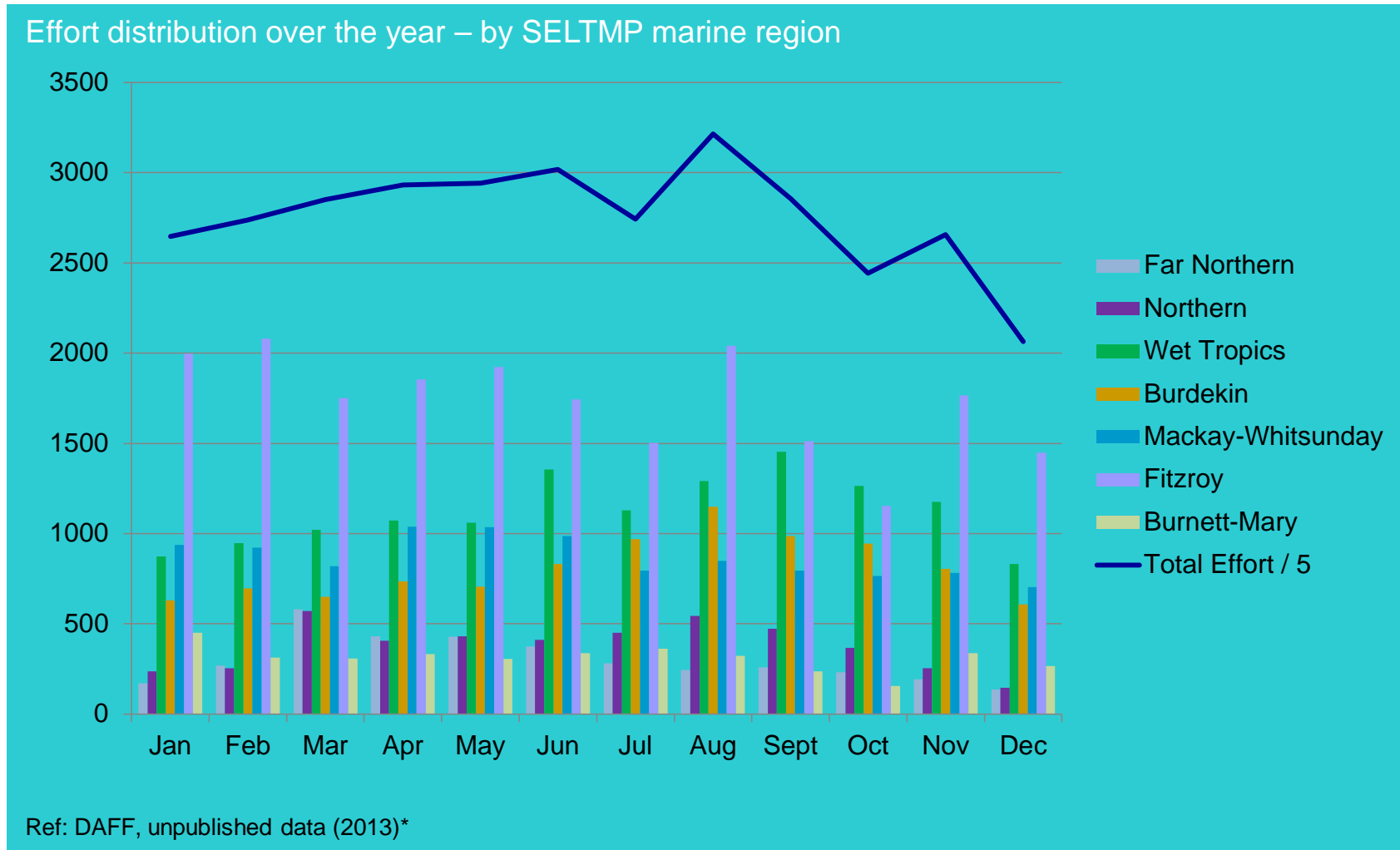
## A) *Use of the Environment*: 2. Temporal patterns – WHEN are they fishing?



\*ACTIVE licence data for 2012 calendar year for GBR area only

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# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Social relationship: 3. Cultural, spiritual, intellectual connection

What are the first words that come to mind when GBR residents think about the GBR?



Fish	16%
Beautiful	15%
Coral	13%
Pristine	9%
Fishing	8%
Workplace	5%
Wonder-of-the-world	2%
Closures	2%
Overprotected	2%
Amazing	2%

17% mentioned 'negative' words. The majority had to do with issues related to the management of the Reef, bureaucracy, lack of access, and the condition of the Reef

# of commercial fishers surveyed= 210  
Total # of words/phrases listed = 329  
Total # of distinct words/phrases = 138

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Social relationship: 3. Connection in terms of 'place'

Mean length of residence in GBR	Years fishing commercially in GBR	The GBR is part of my identity	Proud that the GBR is a WHA
<b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 45 years Wet Tropics : 37 Burdekin : 38 Mackay-Whit : 44 Fitzroy Basin : 39 Burnett Mary : 36	0-1 year : 1% <sup>1</sup> of fishers 2-5 years : 5% <sup>1</sup> 6-10 years : 12% <sup>1</sup> 10-20 years : 34% <sup>1</sup> >20 years : 47% <sup>1</sup>	<b>Mean score (% agree)<sup>1</sup></b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 8.4 (91%) Wet Tropics : 6.8 (72%) Burdekin : 7.4 (76%) Mackay-Whit : 7.5 (73%) Fitzroy Basin : 7.0 (65%) Burnett Mary : 6.8 (74%)	<b>Mean score (% agree)<sup>1</sup></b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 8.7 (64%) Wet Tropics : 5.6 (45%) Burdekin : 7.2 (70%) Mackay Whits : 6.8 (70%) Fitzroy Basin : 7.6 (71%) Burnett Mary : 7.0 (73%)
Line fishers : 33 Trawl : 32 Net : 40 Pot : 37 Harvest : 34	<b>Average # of yrs (median)</b> <b>Home PORT NRM</b> Cape York : xx (xx) Wet Tropics : xx (xx) Burdekin : xx (xx) Mackay-Whit : xx (xx) Fitzroy Basin : xx (xx) Burnett Mary : xx (xx)	Line fishers : 8.1 (86%) <sup>1</sup> Trawl : 5.9 (59%) <sup>1</sup> Net : 7.3 (76%) <sup>1</sup> Pot : 5.9 (51%) <sup>1</sup> Harvest : 6.8 (72%) <sup>1</sup>	Line fishers : 7.2 (70%) <sup>1</sup> Trawl : 6.3 (64%) <sup>1</sup> Net : 6.7 (68%) <sup>1</sup> Pot : 6.8 (57%) <sup>1</sup> Harvest : 8.6 (81%) <sup>1</sup>
GBR overall : 36 (median 36)	Line fishers : xx (xx) Trawl : xx (xx) Net : xx (xx) Pot : xx (xx) Harvest : xx (xx)	GBR overall : 7.0 (71%) <sup>1</sup> Aus residents : 7.4 (79%) <sup>2</sup>	GBR overall : 7.0 (68%) <sup>1</sup> Aus residents : 8.2 (87%) <sup>2</sup>
Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013	Ref: <sup>1</sup> Marshall and Tobin, unpubl. data (2012); <sup>2</sup> Marshall and Tobin (2012)	Ref: <sup>1</sup> SELTMP Survey 2013; <sup>2</sup> Goldberg et al. (in press)	Ref: <sup>1</sup> SELTMP Survey 2013; <sup>2</sup> Goldberg et al. (in press)

\*Sample of 145 fishers of various types

# SELTMP 2013:

## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### A) Social relationship: 3. Connection in terms of 'place'

GBR is the best place for the fishing I do

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home NRM

Cape York	: 7.9 (82%)
Wet Tropics	: 8.1 (79%)
Burdekin	: 8.4 (84%)
Mackay Whits	: 9.3 (100%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 8.2 (80%)
Burnett Mary	: 8.3 (83%)

Line fishers	: 8.5 (85%)
Trawl	: 7.9 (77%)
Net	: 8.1 (89%)
Pot	: 8.2 (84%)
Harvest	: 8.5 (92%)

GBR overall : 8.3 (85%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Live in the region because of the GBR

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home NRM

Cape York	: 8.7 (100%)
Wet Tropics	: 6.9 (64%)
Burdekin	: 7.4 (75%)
Mackay Whits	: 7.4 (70%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 7.3 (80%)
Burnett Mary	: 4.9 (40%)

Line fishers	: 7.7 (80%)
Trawl	: 5.1 (45%)
Net	: 6.7 (67%)
Pot	: 6.0 (53%)
Harvest	: 6.7 (73%)

GBR overall : 6.6 (65%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Plan to remain in current town for next 5 years

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home NRM

Cape York	: 9.8 (100%)
Wet Tropics	: 9.8 (100%)
Burdekin	: 9.6 (100%)
Mackay Whits	: 9.6 (100%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 9.0 (93%)
Burnett Mary	: 9.0 (92%)

Line fishers	: 9.8 (100%)
Trawl	: 9.0 (93%)
Net	: 9.4 (96%)
Pot	: 9.5 (100%)
Harvest	: 9.4 (96%)

GBR overall : 9.4 (97%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Plan to remain despite more frequent extreme events

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home NRM

Cape York	: 9.4 (100%)
Wet Tropics	: 9.7 (97%)
Burdekin	: 9.3 (94%)
Mackay Whits	: 8.7 (90%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 9.2 (94%)
Burnett Mary	: 8.6 (93%)

Line fishers	: 8.7 (91%)
Trawl	: 9.5 (100%)
Net	: 9.0 (93%)
Pot	: 9.4 (97%)
Harvest	: 8.8 (96%)

GBR overall : 9.1 (94%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Social relationship: 3. Connection in terms of 'identity'

Years in fishing industry	Industry of choice	Industry as lifestyle	Plan to remain in industry in 5 years
<b>Average # of years (median)</b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 31 (30) Wet Tropics : 29 (26) Burdekin : 27 (30) Mackay-Whit : 31 (31) Fitzroy Basin : 24 (22) Burnett Mary : 32 (30) Intrastate : 30 (xx) Interstate : 29 (xx)	<b>Mean score (% agree) that they wouldn't want to be anything else...</b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 7.7 (64%) Wet Tropics : 6.6 (59%) Burdekin : 7.2 (51%) Mackay Whits : 6.7 (36%) Fitzroy Basin : 8.1 (74%) Burnett Mary : 6.9 (67%)	<b>Mean score (% agree) that fishing industry is a lifestyle, not just a job</b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 9.4 (100%) Wet Tropics : 8.6 (87%) Burdekin : 8.7 (94%) Mackay Whits : 7.9 (83%) Fitzroy Basin : 8.7 (90%) Burnett Mary : 8.8 (98%)	<b>Mean score (% agree)</b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 9.4 (91%) Wet Tropics : 8.0 (82%) Burdekin : 8.1 (79%) Mackay Whits : 6.4 (57%) Fitzroy Basin : 8.1 (84%) Burnett Mary : 8.5 (84%)
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# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) *Social relationship*: 3. Connection in terms of 'identity'

Family involvement	New entrants (0-5 yrs)
<b>% with family members who are also commercial fishers</b> <b>Home NRM</b> Cape York : 64% Wet Tropics : 59% Burdekin : 18% Mackay Whits : 30% Fitzroy Basin : 42% Burnett Mary : 55% Intrastate : 37% Interstate : 75%	<b>% respondents with 0-5 yrs experience</b> <b>Home Port NRM</b> Cape York : 0 Wet Tropics : 2.1 Burdekin : 9.1 Mackay Whits : 0 Fitzroy Basin : 10.3 Burnett Mary : 0 Intrastate : 0
Line fishers : 48% Trawl : 48% Net : 28% Pot : 34% Harvest : 58%	Line fishers : 5.6 Trawl : 0 Net : 3.4 Pot : 0 Harvest : 11.5
GBR overall : 44%	GBR overall : 3.8 Aus overall : xx
Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013	Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013



# SELTMP 2013:

## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### A) Social relationship: 3. Connection in terms of 'aesthetics' and 'values'

The aesthetic beauty of GBR is outstanding

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 8.4 (100%)
Wet Tropics	: 9.0 (91%)
Burdekin	: 9.2 (94%)
Mackay Whits	: 9.0 (96%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 8.9 (92%)
Burnett Mary	: 9.0 (97%)

Line fishers	: 9.1 (96%)
Trawl	: 8.7 (96%)
Net	: 9.4 (97%)
Pot	: 8.5 (87%)
Harvest	: 9.2 (96%)

GBR overall : 9.0 (94%)

Ref: SELTMP survey 2013

Value the GBR for biological diversity

#### Mean score (% agree)

Line fishers	: 9.2 (100%)
Trawl	: 9.2 (100%)
Net	: 9.0 (93%)
Pot	: 8.3 (84%)
Harvest	: 9.3 (100%)

GBR overall : 9.0 (96%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Value the GBR for attracting people from all over the world

#### Mean score (% agree)

Line fishers	: 7.1 (69%)
Trawl	: 6.6 (70%)
Net	: 8.0 (82%)
Pot	: 5.5 (53%)
Harvest	: 6.8 (73%)

GBR overall : 6.8 (68%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Value the GBR for lifestyle (desirable and active way of life)

#### Mean score (% agree)

Line fishers	: 9.1 (100%)
Trawl	: 8.2 (91%)
Net	: 8.7 (93%)
Pot	: 8.2 (84%)
Harvest	: 9.0 (96%)

GBR overall : 8.7 (94%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Value the GBR for the economy of region

#### Mean score (% agree)

Line fishers	: 9.2 (96%)
Trawl	: 8.8 (96%)
Net	: 9.6 (100%)
Pot	: 8.2 (87%)
Harvest	: 9.0 (96%)

GBR overall : 9.0 (95%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Value the GBR for learning about the env through science

#### Mean score (% agree)

Line fishers	: 7.6 (80%)
Trawl	: 6.9 (73%)
Net	: 7.8 (82%)
Pot	: 6.6 (68%)
Harvest	: 7.8 (77%)

GBR overall : 7.3 (76%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013:

## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### A) Social relationship: 3. Satisfaction with GBR experiences

The habitats I fish are NOT in great condition

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 2.0 (0%)
Wet Tropics	: 2.9 (15%)
Burdekin	: 3.9 (30%)
Mackay Whits	: 3.4 (30%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 3.2 (26%)
Burnett Mary	: 3.5 (23%)

Line fishers	: 3.6 (29%)
Trawl	: 2.4 (7%)
Net	: 3.1 (24%)
Pot	: 3.5 (24%)
Harvest	: 3.1 (19%)

GBR overall : 3.2 (22%)

Ref: SELTMP survey 2013

Feel optimistic about the future of the GBR

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 7.9 (88%)
Wet Tropics	: 7.3 (74%)
Burdekin	: 6.4 (64%)
Mackay Whits	: 8.0 (88%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 7.5 (74%)
Burnett Mary	: 6.2 (71%)

Line fishers	: 7.3 (79%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 6.8 (76%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 6.8 (67%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 7.1 (67%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 7.9 (81%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 7.1 (75%)<sup>1</sup>  
Aus residents : 5.9 (55%)<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>SELTMP survey 2013;  
<sup>2</sup>Goldberg et al. (in press)

Optimistic about the future of my business

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 4.6 (50%)
Wet Tropics	: 5.3 (45%)
Burdekin	: 4.5 (36%)
Mackay Whits	: 6.0 (52%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 5.5 (51%)
Burnett Mary	: 4.7 (41%)

Line fishers	: 5.1 (46%)
Trawl	: 5.0 (45%)
Net	: 5.3 (54%)
Pot	: 4.8 (35%)
Harvest	: 6.0 (54%)

GBR overall : 5.2 (46%)

Ref: SELTMP survey 2013

Business has performed at least as well as previous year

#### Mean score (% agree)

##### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 4.7 (38%)
Wet Tropics	: 5.2 (52%)
Burdekin	: 5.6 (58%)
Mackay Whits	: 6.8 (64%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 5.9 (59%)
Burnett Mary	: 5.7 (48%)

Line fishers	: 4.9 (56%)
Trawl	: 7.0 (67%)
Net	: 5.7 (48%)
Pot	: 5.2 (53%)
Harvest	: 5.8 (57%)

GBR overall : 5.0 (56%)

Ref: SELTMP survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

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Gross Value of Production*	Direct economic contribution (expenditure)	Prices for key species (per kg)																																														
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MAFF	: \$10-12m <sup>3</sup>																																															
Bêche-de-mer:	\$5.4 <sup>4</sup>																																															
Other	: \$xx																																															
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\*Includes aquaculture; ^Aquaculture removed from these estimates of GVP

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) Economic relationship: 4. Value...

### Licence sale values

#### Average per licence

Cape York	: \$xx
Wet Tropics	: \$xx
Burdekin	: \$xx
Mackay Whits	: \$xx
Fitzroy Basin	: \$xx
Burnett Mary	: \$xx

#### Average per symbol

Line fishery:	
L2	: \$xx
L3	: \$xx
RQ	: \$xx
SM	: \$xx
Trawl:	
T1	: \$xx
T2	: \$xx
Net:	
N1	: \$xx
N2	: \$xx
N4	: \$xx
Pot (C1):	: \$xx
Harvest:	
Rocklobster	: \$xx
MAFF	: \$xx
BDM	: \$xx

Ref: 1xxx

### Licence lease price

#### Average

Cape York	: \$xx
Wet Tropics	: \$xx
Burdekin	: \$xx
Mackay Whits	: \$xx
Fitzroy Basin	: \$xx
Burnett Mary	: \$xx

Line fishers	: \$xx
Trawl	: \$xx
Net	: \$ xx
Pot	: \$xx
Harvest	: \$xx

GBR overall	: \$xx
Qld overall	: \$xx

Ref: 1xxx

### Quota sale values

#### Average per unit

Line fishery:	
RQ	: \$xx
SM	: \$xx
Trawl:	: \$xx
Net (S):	: \$xx
Pot:	: N/a
Harvest:	: ?

Ref: 1xxx

### Quota lease values

#### Average per unit

Line fishery:	
RQ	: \$xx
SM	: \$
Trawl:	: \$xx
Net (S):	: \$xx
Pot:	: N/a
Harvest:	: ?

Ref: 1xxx

### Management fees

**New/returning fisher  
licence fee : \$85.30**

**Licence registration fee :  
\$257.50**

#### Fishery access fees:

Line:	: \$298.70
CT units	: \$0.31 ea
RTE units	: \$0.15 ea
OS units	: \$0.15 ea
SM units	: \$0.15 ea
Trawl: Beam	: \$298.70 / symbol
Otter units	: \$0.31 ea
Net: N1	: \$298.70
N2	: \$597.40
Pot:	: \$298.70
Harvest : MAFF	: \$298.70
Rocklobster units	
	: \$0.31 ea
BDM units	: \$10.30ea
Other	: various

[http://www.daff.qld.gov.au/28\\_15468.htm](http://www.daff.qld.gov.au/28_15468.htm)

Ref: DAFF (2012b)

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) *Economic relationship: 4. Investment...*

### Revenue

#### Average revenue per vessel per year

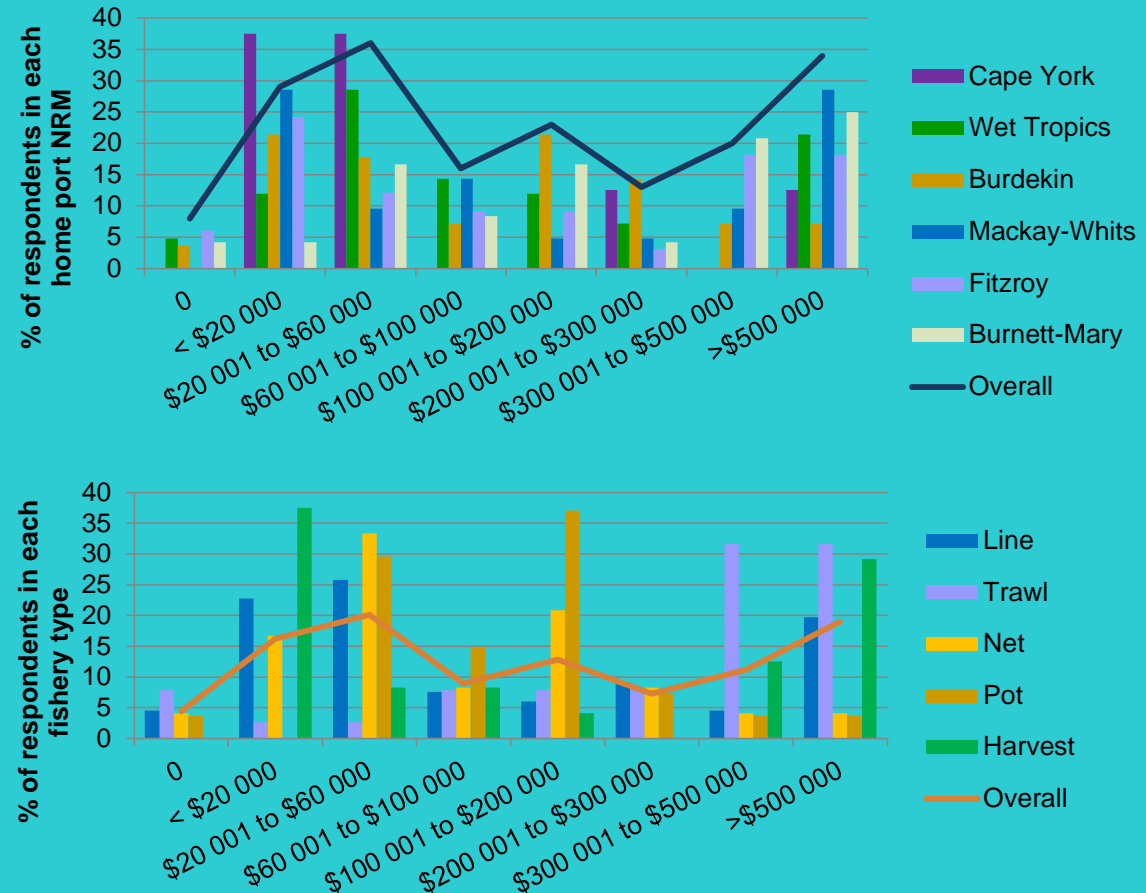
Cape York	: \$xx
Wet Tropics	: \$xx
Burdekin	: \$xx
Mackay Whits	: \$xx
Fitzroy Basin	: \$xx
Burnett Mary	: \$xx

Line fishers	: \$80,600 <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: \$91,100 <sup>1</sup>
Net	: \$87,750 <sup>2</sup>
Pot	: \$xx
Harvest	: \$xx

GBR overall : \$xx (most turnover \$51-150K / yr)<sup>\*3</sup>

#### *Tidbit:*

For CRFF, most northern fishers received <\$50K, southern fishers received >\$300K revenue<sup>4</sup>



Ref: <sup>1</sup>Sutton et al. (2010); <sup>2</sup>Tobin R et al. (2010); <sup>3</sup>Marshall and Tobin (2012); <sup>4</sup>Tobin A et al. (2010); Graph from SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) *Economic relationship*: 4. Investment...

### Costs

#### **Avg costs of production<sup>^</sup>**

Cape York	: \$xx
Wet Tropics	: \$xx
Burdekin	: \$xx
Mackay Whits	: \$xx
Fitzroy Basin	: \$xx
Burnett Mary	: \$xx

Line fishers	: \$xx
Trawl	: \$xx
Net	: \$54,500 <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: \$xx
Harvest	: \$xx

GBR overall	: \$xx
Qld overall	: \$xx

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Tobin R et al. (2010)

### Profit-Loss estimates

#### **Average**

Cape York	: \$xx
Wet Tropics	: \$xx
Burdekin	: \$xx
Mackay Whits	: \$xx
Fitzroy Basin	: \$xx
Burnett Mary	: \$xx

Line fishers	: \$xx
Trawl	: \$xx
Net	: \$xx
Pot	: \$xx
Harvest	: \$xx

GBR overall	: \$xx
Qld overall	: \$xx

Ref: <sup>1</sup>xxx



# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) *Economic relationship: 4. Investment...*

Vessel value	Capital investment	Shore based storage value	Shore based equipment value
<b>Average per main vessel</b> Cape York : \$xx Wet Tropics : \$xx Burdekin : \$xx Mackay Whits : \$xx Fitzroy Basin : \$xx Burnett Mary : \$xx	<b>Average per business</b> Cape York : \$xx Wet Tropics : \$xx Burdekin : \$xx Mackay Whits : \$xx Fitzroy Basin : \$xx Burnett Mary : \$xx	<b>Average per business</b> Cape York : \$xx Wet Tropics : \$xx Burdekin : \$xx Mackay Whits : \$xx Fitzroy Basin : \$xx Burnett Mary : \$xx	<b>Average per business</b> Cape York : \$xx Wet Tropics : \$xx Burdekin : \$xx Mackay Whits : \$xx Fitzroy Basin : \$xx Burnett Mary : \$xx
Line fishers : \$xx Trawl : \$xx Net : \$xx Pot : \$xx Harvest : \$xx	Line fishers : \$xx Trawl : \$xx Net : \$206K <sup>1</sup> Pot : \$xx Harvest : \$xx	Line fishers : \$xx Trawl : \$xx Net : \$xx Pot : \$xx Harvest : \$xx	Line fishers : \$xx Trawl : \$xx Net : \$xx Pot : \$xx Harvest : \$xx
GBR overall : \$xx Qld overall : \$xx	GBR overall : \$xx Qld overall : \$xx	GBR overall : \$xx Qld overall : \$xx	GBR overall : \$xx Qld overall : \$xx
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# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## A) *Economic relationship: 4. Investment...*

Age of vessel (years)	Time since vessel purchase (years)	Research and Development - industry	R&D - FRDC
<b>Average (and median) Home Port NRM</b> Cape York :16.4 (20) Wet Tropics :19.4 (20) Burdekin :22.1 (25) Mackay Whits :21.7 (20) Fitzroy Basin :18.9 (20) Burnett Mary :22.9 (10)	<b>Average (and median) Home Port NRM</b> Cape York : 10.1 (8) Wet Tropics : 11.1 (13) Burdekin : 7.7 (4.5) Mackay Whits : 9.2 (8) Fitzroy Basin : 8.6 (7) Burnett Mary : 11.1 (10)	<b>Amount invested this year</b> Cape York : \$xx Wet Tropics : \$xx Burdekin : \$xx Mackay Whits : \$xx Fitzroy Basin : \$xx Burnett Mary : \$xx	<b>Amount invested this year</b> Cape York : \$xx Wet Tropics : \$xx Burdekin : \$xx Mackay Whits : \$xx Fitzroy Basin : \$xx Burnett Mary : \$xx
Line fishers : 21 (20) Trawl : 28 (31) Net : 15 (15) Pot : 17 (13) Harvest : 15 (10)	Line fishers : 11 (11) Trawl : 12 (10) Net : 10 (10) Pot : 8 (7) Harvest : 9 (5)	Line fishers : \$xx Trawl : \$xx Net : \$xx Pot : \$xx Harvest : \$xx	Line fishers : \$xx Trawl : \$xx Net : \$xx Pot : \$xx Harvest : \$xx
GBR overall : 20 (20)	GBR overall : 10 (8)	GBR overall : \$xx Qld overall : \$xx	GBR overall : \$xx Qld overall : \$xx
Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013	Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013	Ref: xxx	Ref: xxx

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## B) *Well-being*: 1. Human well-being

GBR contributes to  
quality of life and well-  
being

### Mean score (% agree)

#### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 8.8 (100%)
Wet Tropics	: 8.2 (85%)
Burdekin	: 8.6 (91%)
Mackay Whits	: 8.2 (87%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 8.9 (97%)
Burnett Mary	: 8.0 (90%)

### Mean score (% agree)

Line fishers	: 8.8 (94%)
Trawl	: 7.6 (82%)
Net	: 7.7 (83%)
Pot	: 7.9 (81%)
Harvest	: 8.3 (96%)

GBR overall : 8.2 (88%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

OH&S - accidents

Cape York	: xx
Wet Tropics	: xx
Burdekin	: xx
Mackay Whits	: xx
Fitzroy Basin	: xx
Burnett Mary	: xx

Line fishers	: xx
Trawl	: xx
Net	: xx
Pot	: xx
Harvest	: xx

GBR overall	: 57
Qld overall	: xx

Qld-wide work related  
accidents : xx

Ref: Tobin R et al. (2010)

OH&S - fatalities

Cape York	: xx
Wet Tropics	: xx
Burdekin	: xx
Mackay Whits	: xx
Fitzroy Basin	: xx
Burnett Mary	: 1*

Line fishers	: xx
Trawl	: xx
Net	: 1*
Pot	: xx
Harvest	: xx

GBR overall	: 1*
Qld overall	: xx

Qld-wide work related  
fatalities : 17

Ref: WHSQ (2011)

\*This is the one event, repeated here in different categories

## SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### B) *Well-being*: 1. Human well-being – ‘Opportunities’

Opportunities AVERAGES ON A 10 POINT SCALE (10 = VERY STRONGLY AGREE)	
The fishing industry to me is not just a job – it is my lifestyle	8.6
My business has performed as well this year as it did last year	5.0
I feel optimistic about the future of my business in the GBR	5.2
The GBR it is a valuable asset for the economy of this region	9.0
I value the GBR because it supports a desirable and active way of life	8.7

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## B) *Well-being*: 1. Human well-being – ‘Empowerment’

Empowerment AVERAGES ON A 10 POINT SCALE (10 = VERY STRONGLY AGREE)	
I would like to do more to protect the GBR	6.7
I cannot make a personal difference in improving the health of the GBR	5.5
I regularly get involved in research and/or management activities for the GBR	5.2
I have the knowledge and skills to reduce any impact that I might have on the GBR	8.1
I value the GBR because we can learn about the environment through scientific discoveries	7.3

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013



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## B) *Well-being*: 1. Human well-being – ‘Security’

Security AVERAGES ON A 10 POINT SCALE (10 = VERY STRONGLY AGREE)	
I value the GBR because it contributes to my quality of life and well-being	8.2
I value the GBR because it supports a variety of life such as fish and corals	9.0
I feel confident that the GBR is well managed	5.0
I support the current rules and regulations that affect access and use of the GBR	4.7
The habitats that I fish the most are in great condition	6.8
I am optimistic about the future of the GBR	7.1

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## B) Well-being: 2. Adaptive Capacity

Diversity of income - household	Financial buffer	Income protection insurance	Vessel insurance
<b>Average% (median%) HH income from fishing</b> <b>Home Port NRM</b> Cape York : 77.5% (100%) Wet Tropics : 61.2% (70%) Burdekin : 58.8% (66%) Mackay Whits: 66.8% (85%) Fitzroy Basin : 63.1% (80%) Burnett Mary : 78.9% (80%)	<b>% with planned financial buffer or income protection</b> Cape York : xx% Wet Tropics : xx% Burdekin : xx% Mackay Whits : xx% Fitzroy Basin : xx% Burnett Mary : xx%	<b>Home Port NRM</b> Cape York : 0% yes Wet Tropics : 17.8% Burdekin : 18.2% Mackay Whits : 12.5% Fitzroy Basin : 10.3% Burnett Mary : 13.3%	<b>Home Port NRM</b> Cape York : 62.5% yes Wet Tropics : 52.2% Burdekin : 57.6% Mackay Whits : 56.5% Fitzroy Basin : 61.5% Burnett Mary : 65.5%
Line fishers : 57.3% (70%) Trawl : 75.3% (100%) Net : 65.2% (75%) Pot : 60.3% (80%) Harvest : 87.2% (100%)	Line fishers : xx% Trawl : xx% Net : xx% Pot : xx% Harvest : xx%	Line fishers : 9% Trawl : 9% Net : 17% Pot : 24% Harvest : 16%	Line fishers : 60% Trawl : 77% Net : 31% Pot : 50% Harvest : 72%
GBR overall : 65% (80%) (41% w/ 100% dependence) Qld overall : xx	GBR overall : xx%	GBR overall : 14% yes Qld population : xx%	GBR overall : 59% yes Qld overall : xx%
<b>Average value</b> : \$xx +/- xx	<b>Average value</b> : \$xx +/- xx	<b>Average value</b> : \$xx +/- xx	<b>Average value of insured for</b> : \$xx +/- xx
Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013	Ref: xxx	Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013	Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## B) Well-being: 2. Adaptive Capacity

### Attitude towards risk

**Confident things will turn out well regardless of events / change...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York : 5.5 (50%)  
Wet Tropics : 5.4 (47%)  
Burdekin : 4.4 (30%)  
Mackay Whits : 5.5 (46%)  
Fitzroy Basin : 5.4 (41%)  
Burnett Mary : 5.6 (57%)

**Certain of how to plan for changes in the GBR that may affect me...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York : 3.5 (13%)  
Wet Tropics : 4.5 (31%)  
Burdekin : 4.4 (31%)  
Mackay Whits : 5.8 (55%)  
Fitzroy Basin : 5.1 (45%)  
Burnett Mary : 4.4 (24%)

Harvest : 5.7 (50%)  
Line fishers : 5.0 (38%)  
Net : 5.5 (48%)  
Pot : 5.6 (49%)  
Trawl : 5.4 (51%)

Harvest : 5.8 (46%)  
Line fishers : 4.3 (72%)  
Net : 4.8 (56%)  
Pot : 5.4 (51%)  
Trawl : 4.4 (76%)

GBR overall : 5.4 (46%)

GBR overall : 4.8 (37%)

Combined score : xx (+/.xx)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

### Ability to plan, learn and re-organise

**Good at developing scenarios of the future and planning for them...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York : 6.3 (63%)  
Wet Tropics : 6.8 (63%)  
Burdekin : 6.6 (71%)  
Mackay Whits : 6.7 (64%)  
Fitzroy Basin : 7.3 (72%)  
Burnett Mary : 5.9 (67%)

**Discuss new ways of solving problems associated with my business with others...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York : 8.8 (100%)  
Wet Tropics : 6.8 (71%)  
Burdekin : 7.5 (76%)  
Mackay Whits : 7.2 (71%)  
Fitzroy Basin : 7.1 (67%)  
Burnett Mary : 6.4 (64%)

Harvest : 7.0 (69%)  
Line fishers : 6.1 (58%)  
Net : 7.1 (75%)  
Pot : 6.8 (67%)  
Trawl : 7.0 (77%)

Harvest : 6.6 (64%)  
Line fishers : 7.1 (74%)  
Net : 6.9 (78%)  
Pot : 7.4 (76%)  
Trawl : 7.2 (72%)

GBR overall : 6.7 (68%)

GBR overall : 7.1 (73%)

Combined score : xx (+/.xx)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## B) Well-being: 2. Adaptive Capacity

### Psychological and financial buffers

**More likely to adapt to changes compared to other coastal residents I know...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York	: 6.1 (50%)
Wet Tropics	: 7.8 (88%)
Burdekin	: 7.7 (84%)
Mackay Whits	: 7.8 (82%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 7.7 (79%)
Burnett Mary	: 6.9 (72%)

**Have planned for my financial security...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York	: 6.9 (%)
Wet Tropics	: 6.2 (%)
Burdekin	: 6.9 (%)
Mackay Whits	: 6.9 (%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 6.9 (%)
Burnett Mary	: 6.9 (%)

Harvest	: 8.1 (91%)
Line fishers	: 6.7 (67%)
Net	: 8.2 (88%)
Pot	: 7.3 (72%)
Trawl	: 7.8 (89%)

Harvest	: 7.2 (76%)
Line fishers	: 6.4 (67%)
Net	: 6.0 (61%)
Pot	: 7.2 (71%)
Trawl	: 6.8 (73%)

**GBR overall : 7.4 (78%)**

**GBR overall : 6.7 (69%)**

Combined score : xx (+/.xx)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

### Interest in adapting to change

**Interested in learning how to better prepare by business for significant events...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

**Home Port NRM**

Cape York	: 6.9 (63%)
Wet Tropics	: 6.4 (65%)
Burdekin	: 6.6 (69%)
Mackay Whits	: 7.3 (79%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 7.5 (75%)
Burnett Mary	: 6.7 (75%)

Harvest	: 7.0 (80%)
Line fishers	: 7.2 (73%)
Net	: 6.4 (65%)
Pot	: 5.6 (50%)
Trawl	: 7.1 (78%)

**GBR overall : 6.7 (70%)**

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013:

## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### C) Indirect Drivers: 1. Employability

#### Age

##### Average (median) years Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 58 (60)
Wet Tropics	: 57 (58)
Burdekin	: 51 (51)
Mackay Whits	: 56 (57)
Fitzroy Basin	: 52 (52)
Burnett Mary	: 55 (54.5)

Line fishers	: 55 (xx)
Trawl	: 57 (xx)
Net	: 55 (xx)
Pot	: 55 (xx)
Harvest	: 51 (xx)

GBR overall	: 55 (55)
GBR Residents:	44 (43) <sup>2</sup>
Aus residents	: xx +/- xx

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

#### Partners

##### % with partners Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 80.0%
Wet Tropics	: 85.1%
Burdekin	: 81.8%
Mackay-Whit	: 95.8%
Fitzroy Basin	: 82.1%
Burnett Mary	: 80.0%

Line fishers	: 82%
Trawl	: 91%
Net	: 83%
Crab	: 84%
Harvest	: 85%

GBR overall	: 85%
Aus residents	: xx

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

#### Dependents

##### % with dependents Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 62.5%
Wet Tropics	: 31.9%
Burdekin	: 57.6%
Mackay-Whit	: 41.7%
Fitzroy Basin	: 51.3%
Burnett Mary	: 50.0%

Line fishers	: 46%
Trawl	: 50%
Net	: 45%
Crab	: 42%
Harvest	: 42%

GBR overall	: 46%
Aus residents	: xx

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

#### Education

##### % with > high school educ'n

<b>Home Port NRM</b>	
Cape York	: 50.0%
Wet Tropics	: 39.1%
Burdekin	: 51.5%
Mackay Whits	: 33.3%
Fitzroy Basin	: 46.2%
Burnett Mary	: 51.5%

Line fishers	: 45%
Trawl	: 30%
Net	: 41%
Crab	: 45%
Harvest	: 60%

GBR overall	: 44%
Aus residents	: xx

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013



# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## C) *Indirect Drivers*: 1. Employability

### Employment options

#### **% with other training / experience**

Cape York	: xx%
Wet Tropics	: xx%
Burdekin	: xx%
Mackay Whits	: xx%
Fitzroy Basin	: xx%
Burnett Mary	: xx%

Line fishers	: xx%
Trawl	: xx%
Net	: xx%
Pot	: xx%
Harvest	: xx%

GBR overall	: xx%
Aus residents	: xx%

Ref: 1xxx

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

Confident the GBR is well managed

### Mean score (% agree)<sup>1</sup>

#### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 2.8 (13%)
Wet Tropics	: 5.2 (57%)
Burdekin	: 5.2 (48%)
Mackay Whits	: 4.7 (42%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 5.0 (37%)
Burnett Mary	: 5.1 (55%)

Line fishers	: 4.5 (40%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 5.4 (53%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 4.7 (45%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 4.8 (35%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 6.4 (65%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall	: 5.0 (46%) <sup>1</sup>
Aus residents	: 5.9 (53%) <sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>SELTMP survey 2013;  
<sup>2</sup>Goldberg et al. (in press)

Support current rules and regulations

### Mean score (% agree)

#### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 4.5 (38%)
Wet Tropics	: 4.9 (45%)
Burdekin	: 4.7 (33%)
Mackay Whits	: 3.6 (27%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 5.6 (49%)
Burnett Mary	: 4.0 (33%)

Line fishers	: 4.7 (41%)
Trawl	: 4.2 (31%)
Net	: 4.9 (36%)
Pot	: 4.0 (24%)
Harvest	: 6.4 (72%)

GBR overall	: 4.7 (39%)
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Ref: SELTMP survey 2013

Rules and regulations are burden on my time

### Mean score (% agree)

#### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 7.8 (75%)
Wet Tropics	: 7.0 (64%)
Burdekin	: 7.1 (61%)
Mackay Whits	: 7.6 (78%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 6.1 (62%)
Burnett Mary	: 7.4 (73%)

Line fishers	: 7.7 (79%)
Trawl	: 7.6 (73%)
Net	: 7.4 (72%)
Pot	: 6.3 (55%)
Harvest	: 6.0 (64%)

GBR overall	: 7.2 (71%)
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Ref: SELTMP survey 2013

Perceptions of fair access compared to others

### Mean score (% agree)

#### Home Port NRM

Cape York	: 7.0 (88%)
Wet Tropics	: 4.4 (67%)
Burdekin	: 5.5 (63%)
Mackay Whits	: 5.0 (41%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 6.1 (62%)
Burnett Mary	: 5.5 (57%)

Line fishers	: 6.5 (61%)
Trawl	: 5.7 (53%)
Net	: 5.5 (48%)
Pot	: 6.1 (65%)
Harvest	: 6.5 (64%)

GBR overall	: 5.8 (59%)
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Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

# SELTMP 2013: Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

### New fisheries regulations for report year

2013: Non listed.

Recent:

2010-2012: Statutory review of the Trawl Plan.<sup>1</sup>

2011: Several fishers provided with financial incentives for surrendering their fishing entitlements impacted by riverine development. The Brisbane River Beam Trawl Strategy outlines a process for offsetting the cost of foreshore and instream development to beam trawl fishers.<sup>2</sup>

2010-11: Reduction of white teatfish quota and reallocation to other species administered on all licences. Licence conditions amended to better describe a holder's quota entitlement, tender distances from primary vessels and reporting requirements.<sup>3</sup>

2009: new and amended bag and size limits, new netting arrangements and improvements to the management of shark resources. New 'S' symbol to allow commercial fishers to target sharks and rays using line or net apparatus.<sup>4</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012a); <sup>2</sup>DEEDI (2011a)  
<sup>3</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012e); <sup>4</sup>DEEDI (2011b);

### Sustainability status

Line fishers:

CRFF : Range:-to be assessed sustainable<sup>1</sup>

SM : Sustainable<sup>2</sup>

Trawl:

Beam : Range:-undefined-sustainable<sup>3</sup>

Otter : Range:-not fully utilised-sustainable<sup>4</sup>

Net: : Range:-uncertain-sustainable<sup>5</sup>

Pot:

Mudcrab : East Coast- uncertain<sup>6</sup>

Blueswimmer : Uncertain<sup>7</sup>

Harvest:

Rocklobster : Sustainable<sup>8</sup>

MAFF : Not assessed<sup>9</sup> (assessed via risk, and accredited under EPBC)

Bêche-de-mer : Undefined<sup>10</sup>

Coral : Sustainable<sup>11</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012b); <sup>2</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012c); <sup>3</sup>DEEDI (2011a); <sup>4</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012a); <sup>5</sup>DEEDI (2011b); <sup>6</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2013a); <sup>7</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2013b); <sup>8</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012d); <sup>9</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2013c); <sup>10</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012e); <sup>11</sup>DEEDI (2012)

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

### Biosecurity issues

**Issues arising this year:**  
Nil

#### % fishers concerned:

Line fishers : xx%  
Trawl : xx%  
Net : xx%  
Pot : xx%  
Harvest : xx%

#### ***Tidbit***

Renewed commitment to biosecurity by Australian Government.<sup>1</sup>  
Biosecurity reform commenced in 2011.<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF (2011a); <sup>2</sup>DAFF (2011b)

### Export certification

#### **Approval expiry date**

Line fishers:

CRFF : 06/05/16  
SM : 14/07/17

Trawl:

Beam : 10/04/15  
Otter : 26/11/16

Net: : 27/02/15

Pot:

Mudcrab : 20/02/16  
Blueswimmer: 14/10/15

Harvest:

Rocklobster: 17/12/15  
MAFF : 21/11/14  
Bêche-de-mer: 17/07/14  
Other : multiple

Ref: Department of Environment (n.d.):  
<http://www.environment.gov.au/topics/marine/fisheries/qld-managed-fisheries>

### Bycatch reduction

Line fishers: Nil

Trawl: BRDs and TEDs  
(introduced pre-2011)

Net: SOCI escape hatches being tested through FRDC funded research<sup>1</sup> + Burdekin Sustainable Seafood Alliance (BSFA) introduced region-specific net design limitations to reduce dugong interactions<sup>2</sup>

Pot: Dillie pots for blue swimmer crabs removed to reduce turtle bycatch (2010)<sup>3</sup>

Harvest: ...

Ref: <sup>1</sup>D.Welch, pers. comm. (2011); <sup>2</sup>BSFA pers. comm (2011); <sup>3</sup>Fisheries Qld (2013b)

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

### Compliance rates

#### % compliance

Cape York	: xx%
Wet Tropics	: xx%
Burdekin	: xx%
Mackay Whits	: xx%
Fitzroy Basin	: xx%
Burnett Mary	: xx%
GBR overall	: xx%

#### # of offences<sup>11</sup>

Far Northern	: 14
Cairns/Cook town	: 28
Tsv/Whitsundays	: 23
Mackay/Capricorn	: 19
Other	: 10
<b>Total</b>	<b>: 94</b>

#### Line fishers:

CRFF	: 91.3% <sup>1</sup>
SM	: 98% <sup>2</sup>

#### Trawl:

Beam	: 94% <sup>3</sup>
Otter	: 85% <sup>4</sup>

Net: : 89%<sup>5</sup>

#### Pot:

Mudcrab	: 97% <sup>6</sup>
Blueswimmer	: 96% <sup>7</sup>

#### Harvest:

Rocklobster	: 100% <sup>8</sup>
MAFF	: 95% <sup>9</sup>
Bêche-de-mer	: 91% <sup>10</sup>
Other	: multiple

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012b); <sup>2</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012c); <sup>3</sup>DEEDI (2011a); <sup>4</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012a); <sup>5</sup>DEEDI (2011b); <sup>6</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2013a); <sup>7</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2013b); <sup>8</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012d); <sup>9</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2013c); <sup>10</sup>Fisheries Queensland (2012e); <sup>11</sup>GBRMPA unpubl. data (2012)\*

\* Data from GBRMPA for all Commonwealth and State offences recorded in 2012. Grouped by GBRMPA regions

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

Non-compliance							
Activity		Far Northern	Cairns/ Cooktown	Townsville/ Whitsunday	Mackay/ Capricorn	Other	Total
Breach of Permit		3	0	0	0	0	3
Fishing	Bait Netting	0	0	2	0	0	2
	Crabbing	1	2	11	0	0	14
	Line Fishing	1	5	1	6	0	13
	Netting	6	10	6	7	0	29
	Trawling	0	2	0	2	0	4
Maritime Incident	Groundings	0	0	1	0	0	1
Unattached Dory	Collecting	0	3	0	0	0	3
	Line Fishing	0	5	0	2	0	7
Unpermitted Activity	Restricted Access Areas	0	0	1	2	0	3
	Unlawful Take	1	0	0	0	9	10
	Other	0	0	0	0	1	1
Wildlife	Bycatch	2	0	0	0	0	2
	Interaction with Cetacean	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mass mortality	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Non Reporting of Incidental Take	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other		0	1	1	0	0	2

Ref: GBRMPA unpubl. data (2012)

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

I would like to do more to protect the GBR

**Mean score (% agree)**  
**Home Port NRM**

Cape York	: 6.5 (63%)
Wet Tropics	: 6.5 (67%)
Burdekin	: 7.0 (67%)
Mackay Whits	: 7.3 (67%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 7.2 (74%)
Burnett Mary	: 6.4 (71%)

Line fishers	: 7.5 (81%)
Trawl	: 6.0 (57%)
Net	: 6.8 (68%)
Pot	: 5.6 (50%)
Harvest	: 7.6 (80%)

GBR overall : 6.7 (68%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Would be personally affected if health if GBR declined

**Mean score (% agree)**  
**Home Port NRM**

Cape York	: 9.2 (100%)
Wet Tropics	: 9.1 (96%)
Burdekin	: 8.7 (91%)
Mackay Whits	: 9.3 (100%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 8.9 (92%)
Burnett Mary	: 8.9 (97%)

Line fishers	: 9.2 (97%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 8.9 (98%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 8.4 (86%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 8.4 (87%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 9.1 (96%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 8.9 (94%)<sup>1</sup>  
Aus residents : 6.2 (92%)<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>SELTMP Survey 2013;  
<sup>2</sup>Goldberg et al. (in press)

Regularly participate in research and management

**Mean score (% agree)**  
**Home Port NRM**

Cape York	: 6.5 (63%)
Wet Tropics	: 5.8 (60%)
Burdekin	: 5.8 (42%)
Mackay Whits	: 4.7 (43%)
Fitzroy Basin	: 5.4 (51%)
Burnett Mary	: 3.7 (33%)

Line fishers	: 5.4 (57%)
Trawl	: 4.7 (42%)
Net	: 6.8 (69%)
Pot	: 4.1 (34%)
Harvest	: 5.6 (56%)

GBR overall : 5.2 (51%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Green labelling

**% of fishers utilising 'green' labels**

Line fishery	: 0
Trawl	: 0
Net	: 0
Pot	: 0
Harvest	: 0

### *Tidbit*

There is no official "green" labelling in use. However the QSIA is promoting the "Queensland Catch" brand to encourage consumers to buy local.<sup>1</sup> Trawlers are also accredited with the USA through the approved use of TEDs.<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Tobin R et al. (2010);  
<sup>2</sup>Fisheries Qld (2012a)



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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

### MOUs and Codes of Conduct

MOU # that exist:	COC # that exist:	% fishers who claim participation Home Port NRM
Cape York : xx	Cape York : xx	Cape York : 88%
Wet Tropics : xx	Wet Tropics : xx	Wet Tropics : 85%
Burdekin : xx	Burdekin : xx	Burdekin : 75%
Mackay Whits : xx	Mackay Whits : xx	Mackay Whits : 77%
Fitzroy Basin : xx	Fitzroy Basin : xx	Fitzroy Basin : 76%
Burnett Mary : xx	Burnett Mary : xx	Burnett Mary : 83%
Line fishers : xx	Line fishers : xx	Line fishers : 76%
Trawl : xx	Trawl : xx	Trawl : 91%
Net : xx	Net : xx	Net : 86%
Pot : xx	Pot : xx	Pot : 68%
Harvest : xx	Harvest : xx	Harvest : 95%
GBR overall : xx%	GBR overall : xx%	GBR overall : 81%

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

Personal motivation /  
strength of belief in  
action

**I can make a personal  
difference in improving  
GBR health**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 6.2 (71%)
Trawl	: 6.7 (68%)
Net	: 7.3 (79%)
Pot	: 5.3 (51%)
Harvest	: 6.2 (62%)

GBR overall : 6.5 (67%)

**I try to encourage others  
to reduce impacts on the  
GBR**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 7.4 (77%)
Trawl	: 6.5 (64%)
Net	: 6.9 (69%)
Pot	: 5.9 (51%)
Harvest	: 7.3 (85%)

GBR overall : 6.9 (69%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Social norms

**It is my responsibility to  
protect the GBR**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 9.1 (96%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 7.8 (80%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 9.6 (100%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 8.0 (82%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 8.9 (92%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 8.7 (90%)<sup>1</sup>  
Aus residents : 6.5 (68%)<sup>2</sup>

**Commercial fishers  
should take steps to  
reduce their impacts...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 5.7 (56%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 5.4 (62%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 6.2 (65%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 5.2 (56%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 6.0 (58%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 5.6 (57%)<sup>1</sup>

**Industry expects fishers  
to reduce their impacts ...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 5.5 (53%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 4.9 (50%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 6.3 (62%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 4.8 (35%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 6.6 (75%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 5.5 (xx%)<sup>1</sup>

**Other fishers think I  
should reduce my  
impacts...**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 2.7 (13%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 2.4 (10%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 3.6 (28%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 2.2 (9%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 3.4 (26%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 2.7 (15%)<sup>1</sup>

**It is the responsibility of  
all Australians to protect  
the GBR**

**Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 8.5 (88%) <sup>1</sup>
Trawl	: 7.9 (84%) <sup>1</sup>
Net	: 9.0 (93%) <sup>1</sup>
Pot	: 8.3 (84%) <sup>1</sup>
Harvest	: 7.5 (77%) <sup>1</sup>

GBR overall : 8.3 (86%)<sup>1</sup>  
Aus residents : 7.7 (80%)<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>SELTMP Survey 2013; <sup>2</sup>Goldberg et al. (in press)

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## C) *Indirect Drivers*: 2. Environmental Stewardship

### Barriers to action to reduce impacts on the GBR

#### **I have the knowledge and skills...**

##### **Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 8.1 (84%)
Trawl	: 7.4 (74%)
Net	: 8.8 (97%)
Pot	: 8.7 (89%)
Harvest	: 7.8 (88%)

#### **It is not too expensive...**

##### **Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 6.4 (65%)
Trawl	: 6.4 (58%)
Net	: 7.4 (77%)
Pot	: 6.5 (59%)
Harvest	: 7.0 (65%)

GBR overall : 8.1 (85%)

GBR overall : 6.6 (64%)

#### **I have the time and opportunity...**

##### **Mean score (% agree)**

Line fishers	: 7.7 (80%)
Trawl	: 8.0 (80%)
Net	: 8.0 (85%)
Pot	: 6.8 (64%)
Harvest	: 7.6 (80%)

GBR overall : 7.7 (78%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

### Use of environmentally friendly technology / behaviours (% Yes responses)

#### Fuel efficient engines

Line fishers	: 89%
Trawl	: 84%
Net	: 93%
Pot	: 100%
Harvest	: 80%

GBR overall : 89%

#### Emissions calculator

Line fishers	: 16%
Trawl	: 14%
Net	: 3%
Pot	: 16%
Harvest	: 8%

GBR overall : 13%

#### Carbon offsets

Line fishers	: 7%
Trawl	: 7%
Net	: 3%
Pot	: 3%
Harvest	: 0 %

GBR overall : 5%

#### Green energy (e.g. solar panels) on vessel

Line fishers	: 27%
Trawl	: 16%
Net	: 34%
Pot	: 32%
Harvest	: 17%

GBR overall : 25%

#### Alternative fuels (e.g. biodiesel, ethanol)

Line fishers	: 6%
Trawl	: 7%
Net	: 7%
Pot	: 5%
Harvest	: 9%

GBR overall : 6%

#### Participate in GBRMPA Reef Guardian fisher program

Line fishers	: 19%
Trawl	: 26%
Net	: 29%
Pot	: 27%
Harvest	: 45%

GBR overall : 26%

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

### Reef Guardian fishers

#### # listed formally

Cape York	: xx
Wet Tropics	: xx
Burdekin	: xx
Mackay Whits	: xx
Fitzroy Basin	: xx
Burnett Mary	: xx

Line fishers	: xx
Trawl	: xx
Net	: xx
Pot	: xx
Harvest	: xx

GBR overall : 7<sup>1</sup>

#### % claim to be involved

Line fishers	: 19% <sup>2</sup>
Trawl	: 26% <sup>2</sup>
Net	: 29% <sup>2</sup>
Pot	: 27% <sup>2</sup>
Harvest	: 45% <sup>2</sup>

GBR overall : 26%<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>GBRMPA unpubl. data (2012); <sup>2</sup>SELTMP Survey 2013

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 2. Environmental Stewardship

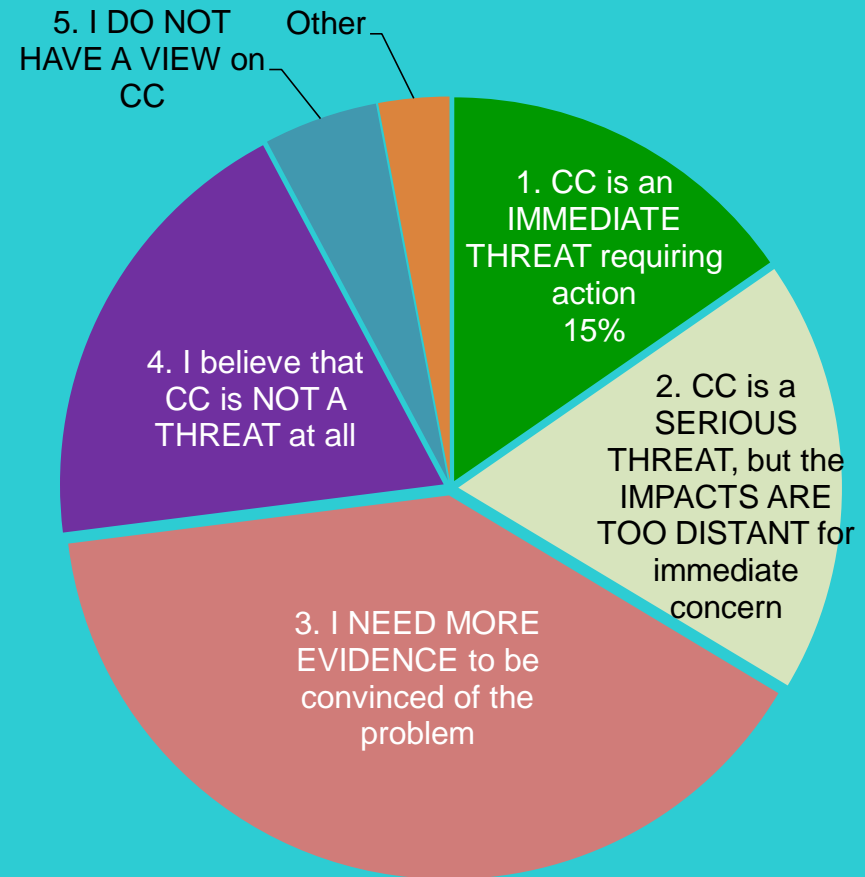
### Perceptions about climate change (CC)

#### % who agree with statement:

	1	2	3	4	5	Other
Cape York:	38	13	25	25	0	0
Wet Tropics:	11	20	35	22	6	7
Burdekin:	21	18	36	15	9	0
Mackay Whits:	21	17	38	21	4	0
Fitzroy:	15	21	38	26	0	0
Burnett Mary:	7	27	47	10	7	3

	1	2	3	4	5	Other
Line fishers:	20	23	3	20	7	0
Trawl:	9	22	40	18	7	4
Net:	17	14	45	17	0	6
Pot:	8	13	47	26	3	3
Harvest:	24	12	44	12	4	4

GBR overall:	15	18	39	19	5	3
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Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 3. Information and Networks

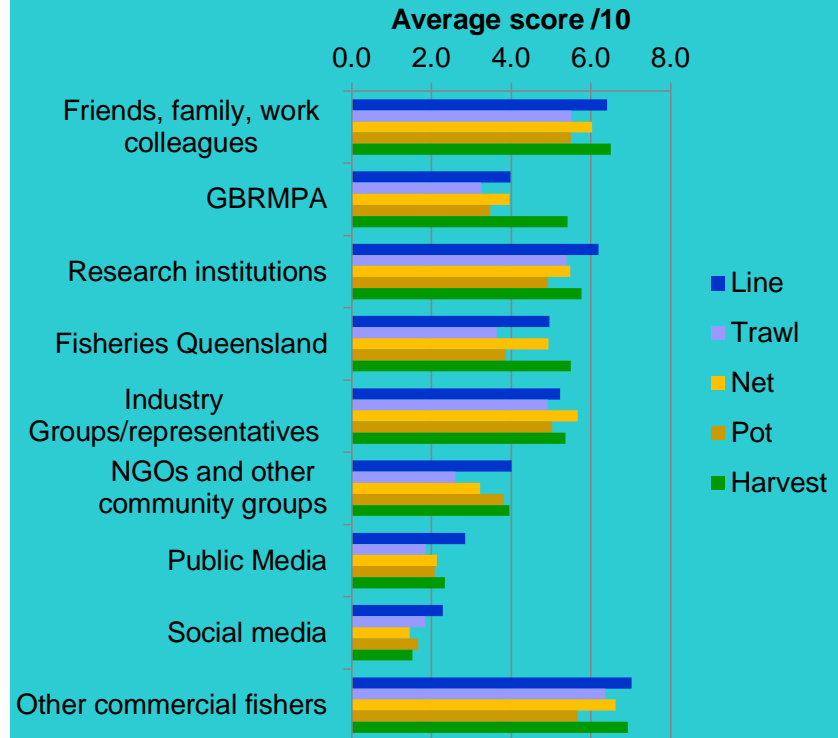
Trusted information sources for information received about the GBR

### Information source: mean score (% who trust them)

Friends, family and colleagues	: 6.0 (55%)
GBRMPA	: 3.9 (29%)
Fisheries Qld	: 4.5 (35%)
Research institutions	: 5.6 (50%)
Industry groups / representatives	: 5.2 (45%)
NGOs / community groups	: 3.6 (16%)
Media (TV, radio, newspapers)	: 2.3 (6%)
Social media (facebook, twitter)	: 1.9 (1%)
Other commercial fishers	: 6.6 (69%)

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

Trusted information sources by fishery type



Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

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## C) Indirect Drivers: 3. Information and Networks

Informal Networks	Formal Networks	QSIA membership	Other organisation membership
<b>% who actively network with other fishers</b> Cape York : xx Wet Tropics : xx Burdekin : xx Mackay Whits : xx Fitzroy Basin : xx Burnett Mary : xx	<b>% who actively network with management agencies / representative bodies</b> Cape York : xx Wet Tropics : xx Burdekin : xx Mackay Whits : xx Fitzroy Basin : xx Burnett Mary : xx	<b>% members</b> Cape York : xx Wet Tropics : xx Burdekin : xx Mackay Whits : xx Fitzroy Basin : xx Burnett Mary : xx	<b># of members of ...</b> Cape York : xx in ... Wet Tropics : xx in ... Burdekin : xx in ... Mackay Whits : xx in ... Fitzroy Basin : xx in ... Burnett Mary : xx in ...
Line fishers : xx Trawl : xx Net : xx Pot : xx Harvest : xx	Line fishers : 60% Trawl : xx Net : xx Pot : xx Harvest : xx	Line fishers : xx Trawl : xx Net : xx Pot : xx Harvest : xx	Line fishers : xx in ... Trawl : xx in ... Net : xx in ... Pot : xx in ... Harvest : xx in ...
GBR overall : 20%* Qld overall : xx	GBR overall : xx Qld overall : xx	GBR overall : xx Qld overall : 201 financial members <sup>1</sup>	GBR overall : xx in ... : xx in ... : xx in ...
<b>Dominant information source = QSIA representatives<sup>2</sup></b>			
Ref: Marshall and Tobin (2012)	Ref: Tobin A et al. (2010)	Ref: <sup>1</sup> QSIA (2013); <sup>2</sup> Tobin R et al. (2010)	Ref: xxx

\*Sample of 145 fishers, including multiple types



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## C) Indirect Drivers: 4. Sector specific drivers

### Economic drivers

#### Changes to international market price

Key changes:

- Lower price for coral trout exports (anecdotal)

Fisheries impacted:

- Line

Key impacts:

- No data

#### *Tidbit:*

“The changing value of the Australian dollar against our major trading currencies has been the largest single factor influencing the value of Australian fisheries in the last decade.”<sup>1</sup>

#### Changes to domestic market price

Key changes:

- Decrease in domestic price due to increased imported product driving price down (anecdotal)

Fisheries impacted:

- Line, net, trawl

Key impacts:

- No data

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Ridge Partners (2010)

### Public perception

#### Negative image of Australian seafood industry

Key information:

- 73% GBR consumers concerned about long-term sustainability of commercial fisheries<sup>1</sup>
- 26% Australians believe Australia's commercial fishing industry was not sustainable; 37% not sure<sup>2</sup>

Key impacts: / concerns:

- Potential impact on local seafood demand
- Potential for public to drive management change through political arena
- challenge to better inform, educate and influence community perceptions about the long-term sustainability of the fishing industry<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Tobin et al. (2010b); <sup>2</sup>Sparks (2011); <sup>3</sup>Ridge Partners (2010)

#### Consumer demand

Key information:

- Despite concerns about sustainability, 91% of GBR coastal consumers prefer to buy Qld caught seafood<sup>1</sup>
- 70% of consumers in Melbourne, Sydney and Perth prefer Australian seafood to imported seafood products<sup>3</sup>
- But 64% of GBR consumers believe it is not labelled clearly enough for them to recognise local product<sup>1</sup>
- and 61% believe it is too expensive to buy as often as they would like<sup>1</sup>

Key impacts:

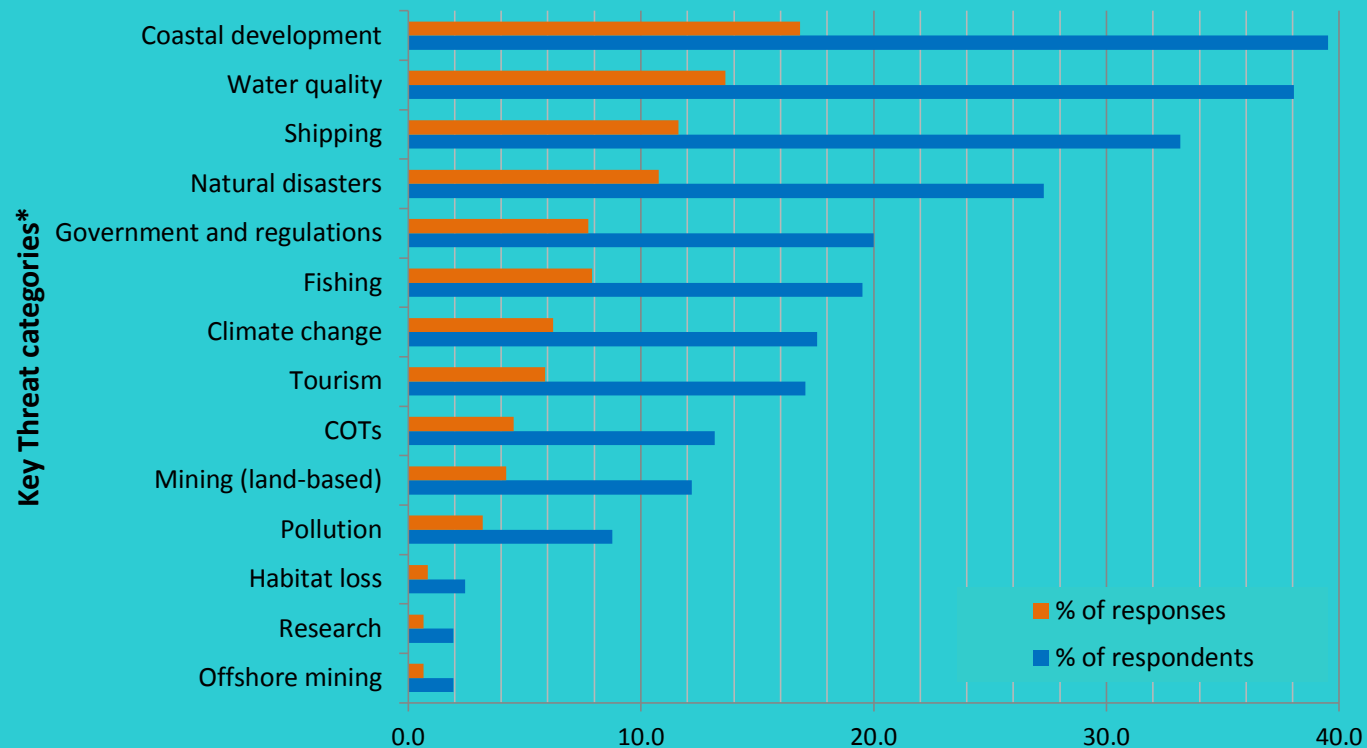
- Actual demand affected by price in market dominated by cheap imports
- Labelling important

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## D) *Direct Drivers*: 4. Sector-specific drivers – Threats to the GBR

### Perceived threats to the GBR

“What do you think are the THREE most serious threats to the GBR?”



Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013 – see table next page for detail of what is included in these threat categories

\*Grouped responses – See table on next page for detail of what is included in these key threat categories

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## Commercial Fishing in the Great Barrier Reef

### D) Direct Drivers: 4. Sector-specific drivers – Threats to the GBR

Perceived threats to the GBR*							
Level 1: Key threat group	Level 2: Threats within group	% of respondents	% of responses	Level 1: Key threat group	Level 2: Threats within group	% of respondents	% of responses
Coastal development	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>16.8</b>	Fishing	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>7.9</b>
	Coastal development (general)	13.2	4.5		Recreational fishing	16.1	5.6
	New ports and expansions	30.7	10.6		Commercial fishing	3.9	1.3
	Dredging	3.4	1.2		Unspecified / all fishing	1.5	0.5
	Overpopulation	1.5	0.5		Illegal (including foreign) fishing	1.5	0.5
Water quality	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>38.0</b>	<b>13.6</b>	Climate change	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>6.2</b>
	Water quality	6.8	2.4		Climate Change	10.2	3.5
	All/General run-off	2.4	0.8		Global Warming	7.3	2.5
	Agricultural run-off	32.7	11.3		Rising water temperature	0.5	0.2
	Urban run-off (incl. sewage & stormwater)	4.4	1.5	Tourism	<b>Tourism (unspecified)</b>	<b>17.1</b>	<b>5.9</b>
Shipping	Mining run-off	1.5	0.5		<b>COTs (general)</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>4.5</b>
	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>11.6</b>	Mining (land-based)	<b>Mining (land-based)</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>4.2</b>
	Shipping	30.2	10.4	Pollution	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>3.2</b>
Natural disasters	Oil spills	2.9	1.0		Pollution (general / unspecified)	4.4	1.5
	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>10.8</b>		Marine debris / beach littering	4.9	1.7
	Natural disasters (unspecified)	2.0	0.7	Habitat loss	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>0.8</b>
	Cyclones	20.5	7.1		Loss of trees / mangroves	1.0	0.3
	Floods	7.3	2.5		Damming of rivers	1.5	0.5
Government and regulations	Earthquakes	1.0	0.3	Others (uncategorised)	Offshore mining	2.0	0.7
	Storm damage	0.5	0.2		Research	2.0	0.7
	<b>GROUPED</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>7.7</b>				
	Government / departments	2.4	0.8				
	Mis-/poor-/over-management	7.3	2.5				
	Green zones (incl. effort concentration)	6.3	2.2				
	Beauracracy / politics	3.4	1.2				
	Enforcement / policing	0.5	0.2				
	Conservationists	2.9	1.0				
	Other (could not categorise)	0.5	0.2				

Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013

\*Only those listed by 2% or more respondents are included here.

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### D) Direct Drivers: 4. Sector-specific drivers

#### Government change

2012 saw the election of the Newman Liberal Qld Government, which resulted in a number of changes of relevance to this sector:

1. A newly appointed Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, John McVeigh, commenced from the 3 April 2012<sup>1</sup>.
2. The new government ceased funding to representative bodies.
3. The Qld government did not invest in research via the FRDC in 2012, for the 2013/14 research funding round<sup>2</sup>. (The usual contribution was \$600K, matched by the Federal Government). FRDC carried some of the debt from this omission, contributing \$400K (matched by Federal). This will affect the next 3 years of R&D funding.
4. The State Budget released on 11 September, 2012 outlined budget savings of \$31.7 million for DAFF, and a workforce reduction of 496 positions, which includes vacant positions<sup>2</sup>. Fisheries Qld's contribution to the budget savings was \$4.3 million, with a reduction of ~60 positions. This resulted in a significant change in structure within Fisheries Qld, removal of some programs (including the Fisheries Observer and the Industry Development Programs)<sup>2</sup> and the loss of key staff who held significant knowledge of, and networks within, commercial fisheries. Many of these staff were active contributors to SELTMP.
5. As an election promise, the Qld Government began a process to buy back 50% of all net licences.
6. Various new projects proposed, such as management reviews for the crab, east coast trawl and freshwater fisheries<sup>3</sup>.

Ref: <sup>1</sup>Queensland Parliament (2011); <sup>2</sup>Maria Mohr, pers. comm. (2012); <sup>3</sup>State of Queensland (2013)

#### Licence buy back

##### Queensland East Coast Commercial Net Fishing Reduction Scheme

The net buy back process began in 2012 as a \$9m election promise. The first round of offers in March 2013 resulted in the purchase of 35 licence packages, including 113 symbols for different types of fishing.<sup>1</sup> Further symbols are being sought via a prescribed offer of up to \$60k per symbol, with the process to close by end of November, 2013.<sup>2</sup>

Ref: <sup>1</sup>McVeigh (2013);  
<sup>2</sup>QRAA (2013):  
<http://www.qraa.qld.gov.au/current-programs/queensland-east-coast-commercial-net-fishing-reduction-scheme-no-2>

#### Investment warnings

##### Current warnings?

Line fishery	: No
Trawl	: No
Net	: Yes <sup>2</sup>
Pot: Yes (mud and swimmer) <sup>1,2</sup>	
Harvest	: No

Ref: <sup>1</sup>DAFF (2012c); DAFF (2013b)

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## D) *Direct Drivers*: 4. Sector-specific drivers

Resource access	Perceptions of fair access compared to others																								
<p><b>Gladstone Port development</b></p> <p>NRMs impacted: Fitzroy and Burnett-Mary</p> <p>Fisheries impacted: Primarily net. Also line and pot</p> <p>Key impacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Physical loss of access to net and pot fishing areas surrounding construction and dredging area</li><li>- Water quality issues potentially affecting fish health</li><li>- Water turbidity affecting ability of live coral trout vessels to utilise water close to port</li><li>- Anecdotal evidence of influence on fishing effort and harvest</li></ul> <p>Ref: anecdotal / media based. No published reports</p>	<p><b>Mean score (% agree)</b></p> <table><tr><td>Cape York</td><td>: xx (xx%)</td></tr><tr><td>Wet Tropics</td><td>: xx (xx%)</td></tr><tr><td>Burdekin</td><td>: xx (xx%)</td></tr><tr><td>Mackay Whits</td><td>: xx (xx%)</td></tr><tr><td>Fitzroy Basin</td><td>: xx (xx%)</td></tr><tr><td>Burnett Mary</td><td>: xx (xx%)</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Line fishers</td><td>: 6.5 (61%)</td></tr><tr><td>Trawl</td><td>: 5.7 (53%)</td></tr><tr><td>Net</td><td>: 5.5 (48%)</td></tr><tr><td>Pot</td><td>: 6.1 (65%)</td></tr><tr><td>Harvest</td><td>: 6.5 (64%)</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>GBR overall</td><td>: 5.8 (59%)</td></tr></table> <p>Ref: SELTMP Survey 2013</p>	Cape York	: xx (xx%)	Wet Tropics	: xx (xx%)	Burdekin	: xx (xx%)	Mackay Whits	: xx (xx%)	Fitzroy Basin	: xx (xx%)	Burnett Mary	: xx (xx%)	Line fishers	: 6.5 (61%)	Trawl	: 5.7 (53%)	Net	: 5.5 (48%)	Pot	: 6.1 (65%)	Harvest	: 6.5 (64%)	GBR overall	: 5.8 (59%)
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