

Fisheries Queensland Data Requests

QFISH - Commercial Fishing Data

- Queensland commercial fishing catch and effort data is collected through the commercial logbooks program.
- Information from 1990 onwards is presented in [QFISH](#).
- This includes species catch and effort data for various Queensland fisheries and can be refined for specified time periods, fishing methods and regions.
- QFISH data contains fishing information up to three months ago which is refreshed from the master database every week.
- Data can be extracted by 30 nautical mile fishing grids and maps can be exported as PDF.

QFISH - Recreational Fishing Data

- Queensland recreational fishing information is also available on [QFISH](#).
- Recreational data in QFISH is a subset of the expanded estimates from data collected during three independent 12-month surveys.
- The earlier survey is the National Recreational and Indigenous Fishing Survey (NRIFS) which commenced in 2000, and the two subsequent datasets are the Statewide Recreational Fishing Survey (SWRFS) which commenced in 2010 and 2013.
- The estimates relate to Queenslanders fishing in Queensland. They do not include fishing activity by people from interstate or overseas.
- Fisheries Queensland economic and social data is available via our [Fisheries Economic & Social Data Dashboard](#)

Fisheries Data Requests (for specific / user defined fisheries datasets)

- If the data you are seeking is not available on [QFISH](#), you can apply for a specific set of Fisheries data by submitting the attached data request form.
- Reported catch and effort information from commercial fishing logbooks is available from 1988 to the current year. Recreational catch data is available for 1997, 1999, 2002, 2005, 2010, 2013, and subsequent years.
- Maps and spatial data can be provided at the 30 nm grid level upon request (if the data conforms with confidentiality rules).
- Images such as fish otolith images for age analysis carried out by our Fishery Monitoring Team are also available for research purposes.

Data Request Fees

- Please note that there is a charge for user defined data requests
- This is a baseline hourly fee of **\$87.60** (Including GST).

Data requests are generally processed within **10 working days**, unless it can be demonstrated that the request is urgent and essential for Fisheries Queensland core business.

Fisheries information representing data from **less than five** commercial or charter operators are **confidential** and will only be provided for analysis that is demonstrated to be essential for Fisheries Queensland core business (the '5 boat rule').

Data is provided at the discretion of the Fisheries Data Coordinator and may be subject to a data transfer agreement being agreed to and in place prior to data provision.

For further information **call the Fisheries Data Coordinator on (07) 3087 8803 or email fishdatacoordinator@daf.qld.gov.au**.

Fishery Data Request Form

Date of Request	/ /	Date Required	/ /
Agency/Company Name			
Contact Name			
Position			
Postal Address			
Suburb/Town		Postcode	
Contact Phone Number			
Email Address			

Data Details: Define the detail of the data required

Region (to the nearest 0.5 degrees)		Fishery		Species (please list CAAB Code/s)		Time Period							
	All Queensland		Trawl			From:							
	East Coast of Qld		Net			To:							
	Gulf of Carpentaria		Line			<table border="1"> <tr><th colspan="2">Year</th></tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Calendar</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Financial</td> </tr> </table>		Year			Calendar		Financial
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	Other (Lat & Long or Region):		Crab										
			Harvest										
			Charter										

Data Required		Data Groupings				INTERNAL ONLY	
	Catch		Year		Grids (30 Nm)		Less than 5 boat data
	Days Fished		Month		Sites (6 Nm)		Update previous data request DR _____
	Number of Boats		Species		Other:		
			Region				

Further details of request (if required)

Purpose for requiring the data (state in 3-4 sentences details about who, when, where and why data is requested)

If the data or analysis will be published, please outline the publication in which the data will appear

Please sign the following:

I, _____, agree that all the data I receive from Fisheries Queensland, a service of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries (DAF) will be duly acknowledged in any publication referring to that data. I agree that the data shall not be provided to a third party or used for any purposes that are not approved by Fisheries Queensland.

Signature Date

Fisheries Staff Only: Approval of Manager	
_____ Signature	_____ Date