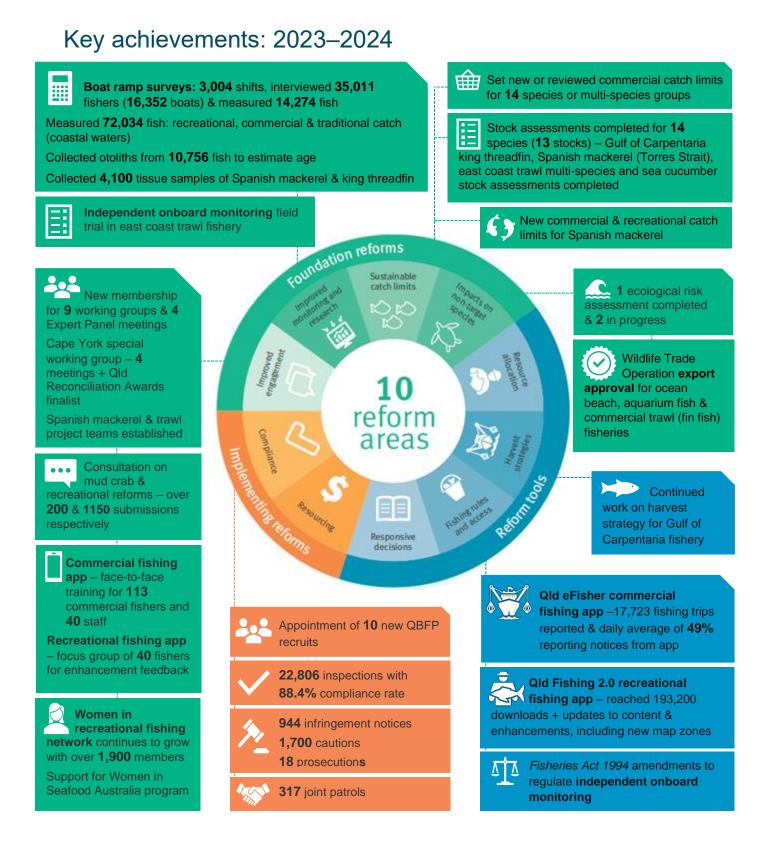
# Queensland Sustainable Fisheries Strategy: 2017–2027 Year 7 progress report





## Actions delivered

#### 1. Improved monitoring and research – ALL ACTIONS DELIVERED

ACTION 1.1: Develop a fisheries monitoring and research plan.

ACTION 1.2: Undertake additional monitoring of key biological stocks to better understand fishery performance and support management actions in a more timely way.

ACTION 1.3: Develop partnerships to trial the use of novel technologies for fisheries monitoring, such as apps, robotic vision, spatial interfaces and mapping, social media and citizen science.

ACTION 1.4: Develop and implement a data validation plan

ACTION 1.5: Develop and implement a practical and cost-effective system for collection of economic and social data.

#### Setting sustainable catch limits – ALL ACTIONS DELIVERED 2.

ACTION 2.1: Develop guidelines for how sustainable catch limits should be set, as part of a harvest strategy guideline.

ACTION 2.2: Using improved data, undertake regular stock assessments (annually or at least every two years) for key stocks to assess the fisheries status against the sustainable target and limit reference points.

#### 3. Improved stakeholder engagement – ALL ACTIONS DELIVERED

ACTION 3.1: Appoint an expert panel to provide independent advice on best practice fisheries management and science.

ACTION 3.2: Establish fishery-specific working groups with rotational membership to provide operational advice and participation to support the harvest strategies.

ACTION 3.3: Work with Indigenous groups and communities through various forums to provide advice on fisheries management issues.

ACTION 3.4: Utilise more novel engagement techniques (including online surveys) to gather a range of stakeholder feedback on particular fishery issues.

ACTION 3.5: Review the effectiveness of engagement mechanisms.

#### 4. Environmental risk assessments – ALL ACTIONS DELIVERED

ACTION 4.1: Publish a guideline on assessing the ecosystem impacts of fishing activities, including the process for prioritising and undertaking ecological risk assessments.

ACTION 4.2: ERAs to be undertaken for priority fisheries or species, followed by the remaining fisheries.

#### 5. Resource allocation – 1 OF 2 ACTIONS DELIVERED

ACTION 5.1: Develop a resource allocation policy to outline how decisions about allocation and reallocation of access will be made.

#### Harvest strategies – 1 OF 2 ACTIONS DELIVERED 6.

ACTION 6.1: Develop a guideline on harvest strategies, including a process for how parameters should be set.





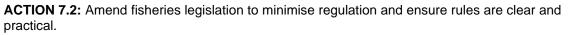






## 7. Fishing rules and access – ALL ACTIONS DELIVERED

**ACTION 7.1:** Review fishing rules, regulations and access arrangements as part of developing harvest strategies for each fishery.



**ACTION 7.3:** Implement an ongoing latent effort removal policy to ensure entitlements that aren't being used are not reactivated.

**ACTION 7.4:** Help facilitate industry-led structural adjustment through a range of mechanisms (e.g. two-for-one licence requirements and industry-led buybacks).

**ACTION 7.5:** Pilot regional management in a key location (e.g. Moreton Bay) to assess the benefits and limitations of regionally specific management arrangements.

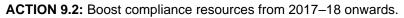
**ACTION 7.6:** Develop a traditional fishing policy to clarify arrangements and an Indigenous commercial fishing development policy to support Indigenous economic development in a way that supports sustainable fishing.

### 8. Responsive decision-making – ACTION DELIVERED

**ACTION 8.1:** Amend the fisheries legislation to clarify the roles of the responsible minister and Fisheries Queensland, to ensure decision-making is at the appropriate level and is timely and evidence-based, and that rules can be changed via declaration as far as possible to ensure sufficient flexibility.

### 9. Compliance – ALL ACTIONS DELIVERED

**ACTION 9.1:** Continue to refine strategic compliance plans to support implementation of this strategy.



**ACTION 9.3:** Undertake a thorough review to strengthen enforcement powers, particularly in relation to serious offences and black-market sales of seafood.

**ACTION 9.4:** Establish a cultural liaison role for some Queensland Boating and Fisheries Patrol officers to support education and other community initiatives.

**ACTION 9.5:** Continue to promote cross-decking with other enforcement organisations (e.g. police, maritime safety and marine parks) and establish formal arrangements to facilitate data sharing and collaborative compliance effort.

**ACTION 9.6:** Require installation of vessel tracking on all commercial boats by 2020, with a priority to install on net, line and crab boats by 2018.

## 10. Resourcing – 1 OF 2 ACTIONS DELIVERED

**ACTION 10.1:** In the short term, increase government funding to Fisheries Queensland to implement the reforms set out in this strategy.

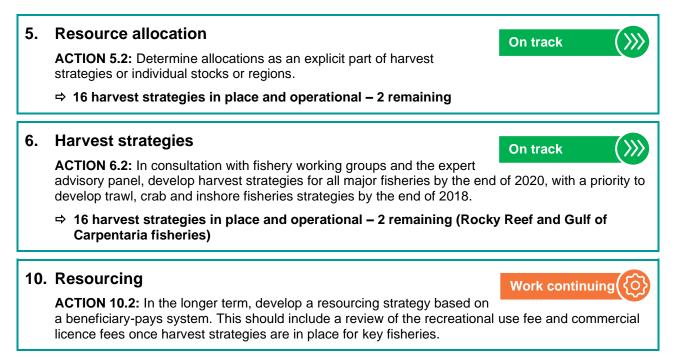


Targets met

Better data for key fisheries to underpin evidence-based management

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## Actions to be delivered by 2027





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