



Cost recovery implementation statement

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The Australian Government's overarching cost recovery policy¹ is that, where appropriate, non-government recipients of specific government activities should be charged some, or all, of the costs of those activities. This may include goods, services or regulation, or a combination of them. The Australian Government Charging Framework sets out the overarching framework under which government entities design, implement and review cost recovered activities.

¹ The cost recovery policies and framework are available on the <u>Department of Finance website</u>.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of the Cost Recovery Implementation Statement

The purpose of this Cost Recovery Implementation Statement (CRIS) is to outline what cost recoverable activities the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) provides and how they are implemented in managing Commonwealth fisheries according to the *Australian Government Cost Recovery Guidelines* (CRGs).

This CRIS reports financial and non-financial performance information regarding the delivery of these activities and contains financial forecasts for 2024–25 and three forward years.

Each financial year this CRIS will be reviewed in order to reflect any changes to AFMA's cost recovery model and provide updated revenue and financial estimates.

1.2 Description of the activity being cost recovered

1.2.1 Background

The underlying principle of cost recovery policy is that AFMA should set fees and charges to recover all the costs of services provided where it is efficient and effective to do so, where the "beneficiaries" are an identifiable group and where charging is consistent with Australian Government policy objectives. In this context, determining beneficiaries is a combination of the recipients of services and activities, the drivers of costs incurred and the distribution of benefits or outcomes from those services.

AFMA's policy outcome is to deliver on behalf of the Australian Government:

Ecologically sustainable and economically efficient Commonwealth fisheries, through understanding and monitoring Australia's marine living resources and regulating and monitoring commercial fishing, including domestic licensing and deterrence of illegal foreign fishing.

The Commonwealth commercial fishing industry pays for those costs directly attributable to the fishing industry while the Australian Government pays for any costs identified as more directly benefiting the broader community. Determination of priorities and availability of funding may impact if, and when, a particular activity occurs. The attribution of costs between industry and government, and between different sectors of industry are based on the Cost Recovery Policy principle of Effectiveness, which encourages balance between the precision of the cost recovery model, and its complexity and expense. AFMA ensures precision in cost attribution to the point where additional complexity would add costs that outweigh the benefits.

1.2.2 Key Activity Groups

Managing Commonwealth fisheries and deterring illegal foreign fishing requires a number of key activities to be conducted. In accordance with the Australian Government Charging Framework and the CRGs, a review and analysis of the activities undertaken by AFMA was conducted to determine which of those should be cost recovered.

AFMA's activity-based approach has enabled the agency to determine the costs associated with each activity within the defined key activity groups. However, it has also been identified that not all costs identified for particular activities will be cost recovered. In addition, for some activities AFMA will only recover a percentage of associated costs to a point where it is administratively efficient to do so.

The following explanations of each of the key activity groups provides an overview of the activities, the beneficiaries of those activities and who is responsible for the costs associated with each activity.

A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries

Australia's fisheries resources are community-owned. AFMA is responsible for the day-to-day management of those fisheries resources within the Australian Fishing Zone and regulating the commercial exploitation of those resources. AFMA is also responsible for managing Australian commercial fishers operating on the high seas.

This activity group involves developing and setting management arrangements, such as catch and effort levels, in line with harvest strategies, and monitoring the performance of domestic commercial fisheries.

Examples of these types of activities include determining total allowable catch levels to maximise net economic returns to the community and making directions, determinations, and conditions on fishing concessions to regulate specific fishing activities, including closing areas to fishing and establishing bycatch mitigation measures.

This activity group also includes AFMA's engagement with its stakeholders. The primary means of consulting with and advising all stakeholders is through AFMA's Management Advisory Committees (MACs) and Resource Assessment Groups (RAGs). These bodies are responsible for providing advice on matters regarding individual fisheries or groups of fisheries to AFMA management and the AFMA Commission. AFMA also engages with stakeholders through educational programs and visits to ports.

There is no impediment to charging for these activities and the group that creates the need for the activities is identifiable. The user group is predominately Commonwealth fishery concession holders, and it is appropriate that they are charged the majority of costs for the activity through a levy or a fee-for-service.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment A.

B. Data collection and management

The data collected through the activities in this activity group is essential to assessing the impact of Commonwealth fisheries on marine resources and the broader marine environment. It enables the assessment of the bio-economic efficiency of fishing operations and provides for reporting on matters of national concern such as interactions with threatened, endangered and protected (TEP) species.

This activity group is directed at supporting fishing activity and monitoring the activities of commercial fishers. It includes activities such as implementing electronic monitoring

systems, data entry of catch data records and logbooks, providing data analysis and extracts, placement of observers to collect scientific data, specific monitoring of certain fishing sectors, vessel monitoring and monitoring the unloading of catch in foreign ports.

The need for this activity group is primarily driven by commercial fishing activities and commercial fishers as a group are the primary users of the activity. It is therefore appropriate that the majority of costs for these activities are recovered from the commercial fishing industry. However, the commercial fishing industry has not been identified as the beneficiary of all the activities in this group and therefore the costs for the activities in this group will be recovered proportionally between industry and the Government.

For example, requests for data extracts from other government agencies are not cost recovered. Provision of data for AFMA-commissioned research is recovered through fishing levies. The cost of releasing data to the public is government funded (i.e. on data.gov.au). In other cases, where possible and cost effective to do so, AFMA will recover costs on a case-by-case basis.

Where the activities are undertaken to assess each fishery's impact on particular species or the marine environment these costs will be recovered through a levy. Where the activities can be directly attributable to an individual or commercial enterprise, such as the placement of an observer, they will be recovered in the form of a fee for the service provided.

Monitoring costs for non-commercial fisheries, however, will be government funded.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment B.

C. Licensing administration and revenue collection

This activity group comprises the transactions involved in the administration of licensing activities such as granting, issuing and registration of Commonwealth fishing concessions, transferring and leasing of concessions between fishers. The processes surrounding the recovery and reconciliation of fee for service charges and levies are also included in this activity group.

Activities directly associated with the ongoing development and maintenance of relevant systems, as well as the amortisation of those systems involved in licensing administration and revenue collection, are included in this activity group.

Charging for this activity group is through fee for service for transaction activities and by levy for the remainder of the activity group. As the activities in this group are primarily used by fishing concession owners and holders, their representatives and the broader industry, they pay the majority of costs.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment C.

D. Domestic fisheries compliance enforcement

This activity group is comprised of compliance risk assessments, investigations and enforcement actions. It also incorporates, with respect to fisheries compliance, cooperation,

consultation and the exchange of information with state, territory and overseas bodies having similar functions to AFMA.

The scope for non-compliance in fisheries is broad, but not solely attributable to the members of the commercial fishing industry. There are a range of users of fisheries resources such as the members of the public, recreational fishers, charter operators and state/ territory commercial fishers. All these sectors are accessing a community owned resource, so rather than recover domestic fisheries compliance enforcement costs from the commercial fishing industry, these costs are government funded. This reflects the range of threats to the community-owned fishery resource.

The activities in this key activity group contribute to the orderly management of the fishery as a whole to benefit the broader community and are therefore government funded.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment D.

E. Research

AFMA has direct responsibility under the <u>Fisheries Administration Act 1991</u> to establish research priorities relating to fisheries managed by AFMA and arrange for research to be undertaken.

The purpose of this activity group is to provide information and administration to support fisheries management decisions. This activity group includes activities and products that are used primarily by the Commonwealth commercial fishing industry, including surveys, fishery assessments, fishery modelling, new technologies, data analysis and resource assessment groups.

Therefore, as the commercial fishing industry are the primary beneficiaries of this activity group the costs are recovered as a levy. However, research and administration for non-commercial fisheries is government funded.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment E.

F. Policy support

This activity group includes providing policy advice and support to the Parliament, Ministers and relevant government departments and agencies. The activities in the group include researching, planning and advising on proposals for changes to legislation, whole-of-government programs and arrangements between Commonwealth and State fisheries as well as arrangements with international fisheries.

Examples of these types of activities include answering Ministerial and Parliamentary questions, the preparation of the budget and associated reporting documents and the provision of the statutory reporting requirements by the AFMA Commission such as the Annual Report.

Activities conducted under this activity group also include the implementation of operational policy, the provision of economic advice, environmental management quota administration,

developing and implementing bycatch and discards policies, provision of legal services, drafting subsidiary statutory instruments (e.g., regulations), managing protected species issues and MAC/ RAG administration.

The activities in this key group generally provide broad policy support and information to a range of other government departments and agencies and are generally funded by government. However, there is a component of this activity that commercial fishers generate and is therefore funded by the commercial fishing industry.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment F.

G. Input into defining international treaty standards and developing regulation

AFMA provides input to the Australian Government's position in international fisheries forums, including Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMOs), bilateral and other multilateral agreements and bodies. This input includes the provision of technical advice and research results supporting government policy, and statutes leading to sustainable management of straddling and highly migratory fishing stocks.

Australia is also required to meet certain obligations under international treaties such as the *United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea* and the *United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement*. In accordance with these treaties AFMA must perform certain activities on behalf of the Australian Government and the Australian community that lead to improved regional cooperation and increase Australia's food security.

From time-to-time members of the commercial fishing industry, recreational fishers and the Australian public can all be identified as beneficiaries of the outcomes of these activities through the improved sustainability of fish stocks. Individual fishing companies may also gain better access to international markets as a result. However, none of these groups has been identified as the primary beneficiaries of this key activity group and therefore are not charged for the activities involved.

The activities in this key group are primarily undertaken as a service to the Australian Government and broader Australian community and as a result this activity group is government funded.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment G.

H. Foreign fisheries compliance enforcement and capacity building

Foreign fisheries compliance enforcement activities are undertaken by several Commonwealth agencies, including AFMA. The objective of activities undertaken in this group is to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing by foreign owned and /or flagged vessels anywhere in the Australian Fishing Zone (including the Torres Strait Protected Zone), on the high seas or within RFMO areas of competence.

Activities include maritime surveillance and the apprehension and prosecution of illegal foreign fishers. Capacity building programs are directed towards enhancing the capabilities

of neighbouring and regional countries to manage their fish resources and reduce the incidence of IUU fishing, to improve food security and to improve regional economic stability.

Whilst there are some benefits to the commercial fishing industry, this activity primarily assists the broader Australian and global community and is therefore government funded.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment H.

I. Management of traditional, indigenous and non-commercial fisheries

This activity group involves AFMA's contribution to the management of traditional, indigenous or non-commercial fishing sectors. This group also captures engagement and consultation with recreational fishers in Commonwealth waters, involvement with joint authority fisheries and the implementation of Offshore Constitutional Settlement (OCS) arrangements to manage fish stocks.

In addition, this activity group captures engagement and consultation with other relevant sectors including environmental non-government organisations (eNGOs). The aim of regulation is to sustainably maximise the social, cultural and economic benefits to the groups involved. This includes some of the costs associated with the engagement of AFMA's MACs and RAGs in non-commercial stakeholder meetings.

The traditional, indigenous or non-commercial users of fisheries create the need for this activity group. However, the management objectives for the indigenous and non-commercial fisheries in the Torres Strait are to provide access to the way of life and livelihoods of traditional inhabitants; including their rights in relation to traditional fishing as provided for under the Torres Strait Treaty with Papua New Guinea. It is therefore appropriate to provide government funding for activities related to these objectives.

Engaging with the recreational fishing sector ensures all relevant stakeholders' views are considered as part of managing Commonwealth marine resources. However, individual recreational fishers associated with this activity group are difficult to identify and therefore cannot be charged under existing Commonwealth laws.

While there is the potential that commercial fishers could gain from some of the activities in this group, they are not the main beneficiaries and therefore it is not appropriate to recover these activity costs from the commercial fishing industry.

This activity group, therefore, is government funded.

Details of cost splits across user group(s) and output(s) for the year are included at Attachment I.

2 POLICY AND STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO COST RECOVER

2.1 Government policy approval to cost recover the activity

AFMA's management of Commonwealth fisheries covers a range of activities which are driven by legislative obligations and functions.

AFMA aims to recover all appropriate costs from the commercial fishing industry in accordance with the <u>Australian Government Charging Framework</u> (2015) and <u>Australian Cost Recovery Policy</u> in support of the legislative responsibilities of Commonwealth entities, as detailed in the <u>Public Governance</u>, <u>Performance and Accountability Act 2013</u> (PGPA Act). Where specific demand for a government activity is created by identifiable individuals or groups, they will be charged for it unless the Government has decided to fund that activity.

AFMA is required under paragraph 6(1)(e) <u>Fisheries Administration Act 1991</u> to "pursue achieving government targets in relation to the recovery of the costs of the Authority".

2.2 Statutory authority to charge

AFMA has the objective, under paragraph 3(1)(a) of the <u>Fisheries Management Act 1991</u> of "implementing efficient and cost effective fisheries management on behalf of the Commonwealth" and under paragraph 3(1)(e) of "achieving government targets in relation to the recovery of the costs of AFMA". These cost recovery arrangements are fully authorised and established under a number of Acts and Regulations.

For Commonwealth fisheries:

- The <u>Fishing Levy Act 1991</u> allows for the imposition of a levy in respect to a fishing concession and provides that the amount of levy imposed on a fishing concession is prescribed in regulations.
- The <u>Fishing Levy Regulations 2018</u> provide the rates imposed per fishing concession and are amended annually in line with budget processes.
- The <u>Fisheries Management (Fishing Levy Collection) Regulations 2018</u> provide for when levy is due and payable and for payment of levy by instalments.
- Part 7 of the <u>Fisheries Management Act 1991</u> provides for administration and collection of both fishing levies and charges.
- The <u>Foreign Fishing Licences Levy Act 1991</u> allows for the imposition of a levy on the grant of certain foreign fishing licences.
- The <u>Statutory Fishing Rights Charge Act 1991</u> allows for the imposition of a charge on the grant of statutory fishing rights.
- Part 11 of the <u>Fisheries Management Regulations 2019</u> allows for AFMA to impose fees for the provision of certain services.

For Torres Strait fisheries:

- The <u>Fisheries Levy Act 1984</u> allows for the imposition of a levy with respect to certain fisheries licences and certain units of fishing capacity.
- The <u>Fisheries Levy (Torres Strait Prawn Fishery) Regulation 2016</u> provide the rates imposed per fishing concession and are amended annually in line with budget processes.

3 COST RECOVERY MODEL

3.1 Outputs and business processes of the activity

As described in section 1.2.1 of this CRIS, AFMA's objective is ecologically sustainable and economically efficient Commonwealth fisheries. Contributions to achieving this objective each year include:

- Managing Commonwealth fisheries in line with the Commonwealth Harvest Strategy Policy and Guidelines that facilitate sustainable and profitable fisheries;
- Preventing unacceptable impacts of Commonwealth fisheries on marine ecosystems and organisms by assessing risks and applying ecological risk assessments and management frameworks;
- Managing all fisheries in line with Commonwealth policy on fisheries bycatch;
- Improving the efficiency and cost effectiveness of fisheries administration by streamlining business processes by reducing red tape and unnecessary regulatory requirements;
- Increasing opportunities for co-management of fisheries;
- Deterring illegal fishing in Commonwealth fisheries through targeted enforcement activities that are based on compliance risk assessments and available resources;
- Deterring and preventing illegal foreign fishing in the Australian Fishing Zone and adjoining regions by providing the fisheries focus in:
 - border protection arrangements;
 - prosecution of offences;
 - o disposal of forfeited boats, gear and catches; and
 - engaging in capacity building programmes and cooperative monitoring, control and surveillance activities with regional countries; and
- Effective engagement with the Australian community and other relevant stakeholders to improve communications, increase public awareness of and improve accessibility to fishery management information.

AFMA has been committed since 2010 to keeping cost-recovered levels at, or below, 2005–06 levels once corrected for the Consumer Price Index (CPI). AFMA has achieved this through continuing to introduce cost savings and deliver service improvements to the fishing industry.

3.2 Costs of the activities

An analysis of the activities undertaken, and services provided by AFMA was carried out to identify which activities should be cost recovered. Costs for activities are composed of direct costs, indirect costs, overheads and capital costs. Each activity will be reviewed, and its associated cost adjusted annually based on operational requirements, the price of goods and services received and estimates of achievable cost savings.

Direct costs, of which staff costs are the most significant component, will be based on resourcing requirements and monitoring the levels of staff utilisation in anticipation of future requirements. AFMA managers will provide direct input to validate the costs and identify likely variations over time as part of AFMA's annual budgeting processes. An example of direct costs are the staffing costs for each of the fishery management areas.

Indirect costs are those costs that are allocated to fisheries for specific activities using a cost driver for allocation. For example, observer costs are attributed to fisheries using "observer days".

Overhead costs are those costs which cannot be directly traced to or identified with specific activities. Overhead costs are vital to AFMA's business operations as they provide critical support for AFMA to carry out its activities. Examples include occupancy costs (e.g. rent, maintenance, and utilities), the costs of corporate services (e.g. finance, human resources, payroll) and information technology infrastructure. Overhead costs are allocated to activities based on full-time equivalent staffing required to perform an activity.

Detail of how the direct, indirect and overhead costs have been applied to cost recovered activities is available in Attachment J.

AFMA determines its forward capital budget as part of its budgeting process. Where capital costs are attributable to a specific activity, they will be directly allocated to that activity so that depreciation and amortisation expenditure is allocated to the appropriate activity going forward.

3.3 Cost drivers for allocation of costs to fisheries

For some activities costs are recovered from both the commercial fishing industry and the Government. AFMA reviews which group(s) uses and/ or benefits from each activity and applies an approved method to allocate the costs proportionally.

The allocation of costs occurs after a more generic allocation where the amount of an activity is cost recovered. For example, Management Advisory Committees (MACs) are 80% cost recovered. This is because some of the work done by MACs is for the Government, such as providing advice to AFMA on draft government policies. This 80% is then attributed proportionately to each fishery.

Attachment K provides a breakdown of the percentage split of cost drivers across each fishery.

3.4 Design of cost recovery charges

AFMA undertakes a comprehensive annual budget process in line with the Australian Government's budget processes. Budgets are developed using an activity-based costing process. AFMA consults with key stakeholders on the development of the cost recovered budget including the Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA) (the industry's peak body), other relevant consultative bodies and representatives prior to approval by AFMA's Chief Executive Officer (CEO). AFMA's CEO is the Accountable Authority under the PGPA Act.

AFMA's regulatory costs will be recovered appropriately through a combination of fees for service for user-initiated and transaction-based activities provided to users and levies for ongoing regulatory activities.

<u>Fees</u> - Where it is practical and cost effective to do so, costs will be recovered as a fee-for-service where the activity and its costs can be linked to a specific individual or organisation. This applies to activities such as licensing transactions and costs associated with the deployment of observers as there is a direct link between the costs of the activity and the beneficiary of those activities. Fees are based on estimated efficient unit costs, such as the daily costs of placing an observer on a fishing boat. The efficient cost is determined by identifying direct costs, indirect costs and overheads as detailed in section 3.2 above. This adds to the transparency surrounding the calculation of costs.

Fees will also be charged to third party groups for the costs of information services. Typically, the amounts recovered are small proportion of AFMA's overall costs. With the introduction of GoFish, AFMA's online business facility, reduced or zero fees have been introduced recognising the lower costs of electronic transactions.

<u>Levies</u> – The majority of AFMA's cost recovered revenue is collected in the form of a levy. This is due to the different sectors that operate in AFMA's fisheries. Individual fishing concession owners are levied an amount proportional to their access right holdings in a fishery. This is facilitated through regulations made under applicable legislation.

The Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry approves the levy rates per leviable concession type which are set out in the form of annual levy regulations. Those regulations are made law by the Governor-General and subject to disallowance by Parliament.

Every year AFMA acquits its cost recovered expenditure to account for any prior year over/ under recoveries and then adjusts the levies for each fishery.

4 RISK ASSESSMENT

AFMA completed a CRIS Charging Risk Assessment (CCRA) as part of establishing the CRIS. The CCRA's overall rating was low. This rating determined that changes to the CRIS did not require the Finance Minister's approval for its release. It also determined the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry as the appropriate authority to approve AFMA's CRIS.

AFMA examined other risks in relation to the changing regulatory environment and its CRIS. The table below lists those risks and AFMA management response.

Risks identified and mitigation measures in relation to AFMA's cost recovery arrangements

Identified risk	Mitigation measure(s)
Increases in research budget(s) beyond the CPI may be introduced because of required additional research to deal with external factors in determining causes of fish stock variances.	AFMA is required to arrange research activities and balances any risks, catch levels and associated costs to mediate demands for research in any one particular year. AFMA reviewed its Strategic Research Plan to contain sufficient information to account for expected research activities and manage research budgets within CPI levels.
Variability of research costs year to year can increase costs significantly for concession owners from year to year.	Research projects are developed with Industry through AFMA's MAC and RAGs. Consideration of Budget impacts is part of this process. AFMA informs fishing industry of variances through the annual budget processes.

Identified risk	Mitigation measure(s)
	Updating this CRIS provides information on prior year performance and expected forward budgets.
Increasing proportion of costs being cost recovered compared to government appropriation can leave AFMA without funds to operate if levies are not collected.	AFMA currently uses government appropriation to supplement cash flow while levy regulations are being made, invoiced and then receipted in the latter half of the financial year.
	AFMA will need to look at its processes in future years to reduce the period between budget finalisation and receipting of payments to reduce the risk of adverse impact on its cash flow.

5 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Communication with AFMA's stakeholders is an essential part of developing the CRIS for the upcoming budget year.

As part of its annual development of the cost recovered budget and review of the CRIS AFMA encourages feedback from relevant stakeholders such as the CFA, as well as other representative bodies prior to approval by AFMA's Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Following any consultation rounds AFMA will consider the comments received and make any necessary changes to address issues or suggestions made for improvement.

AFMA will update the CRIS annually and changes to the CRIS will be recorded. See Attachment L for changes made to the CRIS since last year.

The CRIS will be published on AFMA's website each year.

6 FINANCIAL ESTIMATES

This section will be updated with budget estimates each year when they are finalised. The numbers in this section are provided for guidance only until whole-of-government budget processes have been completed.

All cost recovered activities are subject to a detailed annual review as part of AFMA's budgeting processes.

Please visit AFMA's <u>corporate plans and annual reporting</u> to review the relevant Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and information.

Please refer to Attachment M for a summary of AFMA's budget estimates from the annual Portfolio Budget Statements.

7 PERFORMANCE REPORTING

AFMA measures how it is performing by evaluating the outcomes achieved against a number of qualitative and quantitative measures.

7.1 Financial Performance

AFMA's historical financial performance can be seen at Attachment N.

The numbers in this section are provided for guidance only until whole-of-government budget processes have been completed.

7.2 Non-financial performance

AFMA recovers costs for most of its regulatory activity from the fishing industry. It is therefore appropriate for AFMA to utilise reporting from the Regulator Performance Framework² under the Government's red tape reduction initiative. Measuring and publicly reporting performance will give the fishing industry, the community and individuals confidence that AFMA is effectively and flexibly managing risk.

The activities described in this CRIS directly map to AFMA's goals and KPIs as detailed in its Annual Operational Plan. Performance against these KPIs is reported in AFMA's Corporate Plan, Annual Report, the Regulator Performance Framework, and Performance Statement each year.

8 KEY FORWARD DATES AND EVENTS

A summary of the key forward dates and events for the year can be found at Attachment O.

9 CRIS APPROVAL AND CHANGE REGISTER

Attachment P shows approvals and changes pertaining to this CRIS.

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² The Regulator Performance Framework was introduced by the Australian Government in 2015. It establishes key performance indicators to assess how Commonwealth regulators operate, with a particular focus on the extent to which the regulator minimises the regulatory burden while conducting its activities.

Attachments

Attachment A: Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
All Commonwealth commercial fishing industry	\$ 5,525,941	Levy
Australian public, recreational fishers, eNGOs and other government organisations	\$ 3,522,716	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Bycatch	Involves developing and implementing bycatch programs and strategies. Some bycatch management activities are performed to meet requirements from non-industry stakeholders and therefore is 30% funded by government	\$ 328,744	\$ 140,890
Consultation and Engagement ³	Includes working with science agencies and organisations, conducting port visits and providing advice to fishing operators, collaborating with the fishing industry and providing fishing industry education materials. These activities are cost recovered except for 20% of the costs associated with engagement with science organisations and agencies due to work being performed beyond essential fisheries management science	\$ 776,802	\$ 67,253
Management Advisory Committees (MACs) and Resource Assessment Groups (RAGs)	Includes appointing and administering MACs and RAGs. This is fully cost recovered except for 20% of the costs associated with engagement to meet the needs of non-industry stakeholders such as environmental non-government organisations (eNGOs) and recreational fishers	\$ 1,044,729	\$ 261,182

³ Costs for consultation and engagement with eNGOs, recreational and amateur fishers and general public liaison are included as part of the activity group "Management of traditional, indigenous and non-commercial fisheries".

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Risk management	Includes assessment of fisheries under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1991</i> including export approvals, developing Threatened, Endangered and Protected (TEP) species management strategies and Environmental Risk Management (ERM). A small portion of activity costs (7%) are government funded as there are additional activities required beyond essential fisheries risk management.	\$ 681,195	\$ 50,905
Species and environmental management	Involves fisheries management activities including implementing harvest strategies, setting total allowable catch and effort, fishery plan administration, fishery performance reporting, and reviewing directions and fishing conditions. A small portion of fishery management activities (5%) are government funded as there are additional activities required beyond essential fisheries species and environmental management.	\$ 2,010,901	\$ 105,837
Strategy, governance and leadership	AFMA does not cost recover costs associated with its Commission, Chief Executive Officer or General Manager Operations. However, partial costs are recovered for the General Manager Corporate Services (25%) the Executive Manager Fisheries (50%), and climate change and strategic adaptation (50%).	\$ 683,570	\$ 2,896,648

Attachment B: Data collection and management

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
All Commonwealth commercial fishing industry	\$ 7,390,403	Levy and fees
Australian public and other government organisations	\$ 7,732,843	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Logbooks and Catch Disposal Records (CDRs)	Involves administration of the logbook and CDR data collection programs including the capture, entry and reporting of all types of logbooks and CDRs as well as the costs associated with the development and support of the associated IT systems.	\$ 908,358	\$ 211,955
Data Management	Involves managing and analysing data, providing data extracts and reports to the fishing industry, MACs or RAGs. This activity is 80% cost recovered: the other 20% reflecting the needs of government, eNGOs and other non-commercial stakeholders. Costs associated with publishing data and reports for public access or for use by government entities are government funded. Management of fishery data plans and research reporting are 50% cost recovered because this activity benefits the government and industry in approximately equal proportions.	\$ 376,566	\$ 94,283
Electronic monitoring	Includes the implementation and administration of the e-monitoring program. E-monitoring administration is cost recovered at 50% due to the additional system establishment costs involved. This approach will encourage additional uptake and increase AFMA's overall data monitoring capabilities.	\$ 1,354,755	\$ 219,474
Observers	Includes the implementation and administration of the Observer program. Observer program administration is cost recovered at 80% as some work done by the administration team is to meet non-industry requirements.	\$ 3,342,688	\$ 533,946
Fishery specific monitoring and data collection	Undertake fishery specific monitoring. This activity has only a single user and as such all associated costs are recovered from the commercial fishing industry.	\$ 811,422	\$ -

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Vessel monitoring	Includes the implementation and administration of the vessel monitoring program for the commercial fishing industry.	\$ 596,614	\$ 1,885,643
Data Transformation project	An investment of \$10 million to enhance (or replace) AFMA's systems as they relate to business services (e.g., Pisces). This program will see the delivery of AFMA's Data Strategy. This includes: • continued expansion of AFMA's agency data capture platform (e.g., 100% elog, eCDRs, e-observer, etc); • implementing a single integrated data architecture rather than standalone purpose-driven systems (refer to the eFish FRDC report for more background); • improve links to/from data held by other agencies; • provide opportunities to provide this data back to industry; and • ideally to build a system that supports future traceability and providence requirements.	\$ -	\$ 682,392
Electronic Monitoring project	An investment of \$10 million to enhance and expand the EM program across Commonwealth fisheries and includes investment in artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML). The key aim of expanding the program is to improve AFMA's ability to collect fine scale data collection and implement vessel level management arrangements and incentivise the uptake of best practices by individual fishers to achieve a range of outcomes (e.g., reduce protected species interactions, improve bycatch handling practices etc.).	\$-	\$4,105,141

Attachment C: Licensing administration and revenue collection

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
All Commonwealth commercial fishing industry	\$ 794,518	Levy and fees
Traditional, indigenous and non-commercial fisheries	\$ 150,769	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Licensing administration and revenue collection	Involves licencing administration and transactional services such as processing applications, renewals and, transfers. Also includes formulating, reconciling, issuing and recovering levies and fees.	\$ 622,462	\$ 132,708
Licensing administration and revenue collection systems	Involves recovering the costs for the development and maintenance of AFMA's licensing administration and revenue collection systems.	\$ 172,056	\$ 18,061

Attachment D: Domestic fisheries compliance enforcement

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
Australian public, recreational fishers, and other government organisations	\$ 4,645,650	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	Involves undertaking compliance activities in accordance with AFMA's risk-based approach, boat and fish receiver inspections. Includes assessment and investigations, data analysis, briefing and related prosecution requirements.	\$ -	\$ 4,645,650

Attachment E: Research

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
All Commonwealth commercial fishing industry	\$ 3,371,702	Levy
Australian public and other government organisations	\$ 1,939,480	Government funded

Activity Function	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Research Contract Administration	Involves administrative services surrounding research programs and contracts. This includes administering the AFMA Research Committee, developing and reviewing research plans as well as reporting to the Fisheries Research Development Corporation and the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences. These costs are 50% cost recovered from the commercial fishing industry. AFMA commissions research for noncommercial fisheries and provides reports to other government agencies which are not cost recoverable activities.	\$ 144,981	\$ 144,981
Research Projects	The cost of research projects. Research costs have been split across cost recoverable activities (75%) and government funded activities (25%) to simplify administration and to better represent the general use of fisheries science by the Australian public.	\$ 3,226,721	\$ 1,794,499

Attachment F: Policy support

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
All Commonwealth commercial fishing industry	\$ 283,501	Levy
Australian public and other government organisations	\$ 628,603	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Policy	Includes providing advice and developing policy in accordance with the Fisheries Management Act 1991, the Fisheries Administration Act 1991 and other relevant legislation. 50% of these activity costs are recovered from the fishing industry because when reviewing the activities broadly covered across AFMA, half of them relate to Commonwealth commercial fisheries management. Involves advising Parliament and Ministers, providing and developing policy including technical and governance policies. Also includes developing and publishing corporate reports, public data and performance indicators such as the Annual report, Regulatory Performance Framework (RPF) and compliance performance reports. Liaison with state agencies and other organisations on broader marine resource policies and management are also included. These activities are 100% government funded.	\$ 283,501	\$ 628,603

Attachment G: Input into defining international treaty standards and developing regulation

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
Australian public, regional fisheries bodies and other government organisations	\$ 5,969,941	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
International relations	Involves engaging with Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMOs) and other authorities. This also includes attending bilateral treaty meetings to implement Australia's obligations to international agreements. Reporting is per RFMO requirements as well as any required reports to other international bodies.	\$ -	\$ 2,714,507
International capacity building	Involves participating in capacity building programs with neighbouring countries and supporting key regional and international fishing bodies.	\$ -	\$ 3,255,434

Attachment H: Foreign fisheries compliance enforcement and capacity building

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
Australian public and other government organisations	\$ 4,736,849	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
International illegal fishing	Includes combating illegal fishing in the Australian Fishing Zone and Protected Zone Joint Authority fisheries. Involves engaging with Australian Border Force and other relevant international bodies through Regional Plans of Action (RPOA) to prevent IUU fishing. Caretaking and disposal of foreign fishing vessels is also included.	\$ -	\$ 4,736,849

Attachment I: Management of traditional, indigenous and noncommercial fisheries

Cost split(s) across user group(s)

User	Cost of Activity	Charge
Traditional, indigenous and non-commercial fishers, Australian public, eNGOs, recreational and amateur fishers and other government organisations	\$ 2,065,248	Government funded

Output	Activities	Cost recovered amount	Government funded amount
Traditional/ non- commercial fisheries management	Includes assisting with the administration of Protect Zone Joint Authority (PZJA) fisheries, Torres Strait fisheries and other indigenous fisheries, and liaising with eNGOs and recreational fishing sectors through advisory committees and stakeholder forums. This also includes the management of Offshore Constitutional Settlement arrangements, joint authorities and Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) between the states and the Commonwealth.	\$ -	\$ 1,658,960
MACs and RAGs	Includes appointing and administering MACs and RAGs.	\$ -	\$ 406,288

Attachment J: Direct, indirect and overhead costs of activities

Activity group	Activity output	Direct costs (\$)	Indirect costs (\$)	Overhead costs (\$)	
Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries	Species and environmental management	1,370,473	21,284	619,144	
	Consultation and Engagement	433,732	83,060	260,010	
	Bycatch	207,990	-	120,755	
	MAC and RAG	755,378	40,313	249,038	
	Risk Management	427,127	8,177	254,891	
	Strategy, Governance and Leadership	-	503,133	180,437	
Total		3,194,700	655,967	1,675,274	
Data Collection and Management	Electronic Monitoring	-	1,251,656	103,098	
	Observers	-	2,701,641	641,047	
	Vessel Monitoring	-	485,241	111,373	
	Logbooks and Catch Disposal Records (CDRs)	-	,664,076	244,283	
	Fishery-specific monitoring and data collection	275,793	533,052	2,578	
	Data Management	-	250,849	125,717	
Total		275,793	5,886,515	1,228,095	
Licensing administration and Revenue Collection	Licensing administration and Revenue Collection	-	433,473	188,989	
	Licensing administration and revenue collection systems	-	120,462	51,594	
Total			553,936	240,583	
Research	Research Contract Administration	0	84,621	60,361	
	Research Projects	3,226,721	0	0	
Total		3,226,721	84,621	60,361	
Policy Support	Policy	-	191,994	91,507	
Total		-	191,994	91,507	
Grand total		6,697,214	7,373,032	3,295,820	

Attachment K: *Activity output allocation to fisheries

	Electronic monitoring	Observers	VMS	Logboo k and CDR systems	Logbo ok and CDRs	Data manage -ment	Licensin g admin and revenue collectio n	Licensing admin and revenue collection systems	Bycatch	Species & environ- mental manage- ment	Risk manage- ment	Strategy, Governa nce and Leaders hip	Consulta tion and engage ment	Policy	MAC and RAG	Research contract administrati on
Rationale	EM service costs	Observer days	Number of VMS devices on boats ¹	Number of VMS devices on boats ¹	Prior year actuals	Prior 3- year average	Prior year actuals	% of concession holders	Calculate d % of direct Bycatch costs		Calcula	ated % of direc	ct costs		Calculated % of direct MAC/RAG costs	% of research costs
South East Trawl	0.0%	22.4%	12.4%	12.4%	19.5%	23.2%	32.9%	22.4%	25%	19.7%	19.7%	19.7%	19.7%	19.7%	23.8%	20.1%
Gillnet Hook and Trap	43.0%	0.5%	16.3%	16.3%	21.8%	10.8%	31.3%	23.5%	11.0%	19.7%	17.9%	17.9%	17.9%	17.9%	17.7%	8.9%
Great Australian Bight Trawl	0.0%	1.8%	1.3%	1.3%	0.8%	7.4%	2.0%	4.1%	2.3%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.5%	3.5%
Coral Sea	0.0%	0.9%	1.0%	1.0%	0.5%	2.7%	0.9%	1.0%	2.7%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Heard and McDonald Islands	0.0%	37.9%	2.3%	2.3%	2.2%	7.5%	4.0%	2.0%	4.0%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	2.7%	0.1%
Small Pelagic	1.1%	2.4%	1.6%	1.6%	2.1%	7.9%	1.1%	7.1%	7.4%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	7.0%	19.7%
Macquarie Island	0.0%	7.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	2.6%	1.9%	1.0%	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.7%	2.6%
Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	1.3%	3.1%	1.3%	2.0%	2.0%	10.6%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	7.2%	1.9%
Western Deepwater Trawl	0.0%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.2%	0.8%	0.1%	1.0%	3.2%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Northern Prawn	0.0%	9.7%	15.0%	15.0%	0.7%	11.8%	4.1%	4.1%	6.9%	11.4%	11.4%	11.4%	11.4%	11.4%	18.2%	31.6%
North West Slope	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.9%	0.1%	1.0%	3.2%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Southern Squid Jig	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	2.3%	1.1%	0.7%	1.7%	1.0%	0.0%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.6%	0.0%
Torres Strait Prawn	0.0%	1.9%	3.3%	3.3%	2.9%	3.9%	3.5%	2.0%	2.2%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Skipjack Tuna	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	0.1%	2.0%	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Eastern Tuna and Billfish	46.4%	0.0%	12.4%	12.4%	11.1%	12.5%	8.6%	9.2%	8.1%	10.8%	10.8%	10.8%	10.8%	10.8%	9.3%	4.0%
Southern Bluefin Tuna	6.2%	3.7%	7.2%	7.2%	16.9%	1.8%	6.7%	2.0%	7.4%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	2.0%	6.9%
Western Tuna and Billfish	3.2%	0.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.7%	3.6%	1.1%	5.1%	2.9%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	1.2%	0.7%
Government funded	0.0%	10.0%	22.1%	22.1%	14.8%	0.0%	0.8%	9.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
TOTALS*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

^{*} The column totals may not add to 100% due to rounding. Fishery specific monitoring costs are attributed directly to fisheries.

¹ Updated text (previously "Number of Boats") to correctly reflect rationale that has been used as the cost driver for VMS and Logbook and CDR systems.

Attachment L: Summary of stakeholder engagement in the development of this CRIS

Date	Who	What
June 2024	Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA), each of the fishery Management Advisory Committees (MACs) and other relevant consultative bodies for fisheries that do not have a MAC	Draft 2024–25 cost recovered budget expenditure summary (attachment Q) and 2024-25 Commonwealth Fishery budget comparison (Attachment R) released for comment.
June/July 2024	Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA), and relevant industry consultative bodies and representatives	Draft 2024–25 cost recovered budget released.
July 2024	Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA),	Nil changes requested to draft cost recovered budget. Final 2024–25 cost recovered budget and CRIS released.

Attachment M: Summary of the AFMA's budget estimates from the 2024–25 Portfolio Budget Statements

	2023–24	2024–25	2025–26	2026–27	2027–28
Budget item	Estimated actual	Budget	Forward Estimate	Forward Estimate	Forward Estimate
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Administered expenses					
Illegal foreign fishing vessel caretaking and disposal	6,031	6,265	6,401	6,548	6,552
Departmental expenses					
	47,289	48,695	45,811	46,653	46,610
Total available funding	53,320	54,960	52,212	53,201	53,162

Attachment N: AFMA's historical financial performance

Budget item	2022– 23 \$'000	2021– 22 \$'000	2020– 21 \$'000	2019– 20 \$000	2018– 19 \$000	2017– 18 \$000	2016– 17 \$000	2015– 16 \$000	2014– 15 \$000	2013– 14 \$000		
Budgeted Levy Expenses (X)	13,043	14,011	13,324	14,622	14,300	14,388	14,324	12,614	13,677	12,869		
Actual Levy Expenses (Y) ¹	14,529	13,622	13,663	13,265	14,292	13,941	14,155	12,369	13,655	12,110		
Balance (Y-X)	(1,486)	389	(339)	1,299	8	447	169	245	22	759		
Cumulative Balance	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Explain impact on balance management strategy		AFMA applies any under of overspend to the following year cost recovered revenue										

^{*} AFMA does not carry forward any cumulative balance as any prior year under or overspend is applied in determining levies

¹ Actual Levy expenses does not include levy relief and industry subsidies.

Attachment O: Summary of key dates and events in the development of this CRIS

* Date	Who	What
June 2024	Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA), each of the fishery Management Advisory Committees (MACs) and other relevant consultative bodies for fisheries that do not have a MAC	Draft 2024–25 cost recovered budget expenditure summary (attachment Q) and 2024-25 Commonwealth Fishery budget comparison (Attachment R) released for comment.
June/July 2024	Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA), and relevant industry consultative bodies and representatives	Draft 2024–25 cost recovered budget released.
July 2024	Commonwealth Fisheries Association (CFA),	Final 2024–25 cost recovered budget and CRIS released. 2024-25 CRIS published on AFMA website.
November 2024	Minister approves levy regulations for submission to the Federal Executive Council	Ministerial approval of levy regulations
December 2024	Governor General makes levy regulations	Levy regulations made and published on the Federal Register of Legislation
December 2024	Torres Strait Prawn Fishery concession holders	Levy notices issued
January 2025	Commonwealth fishing concession holders	First instalment levy invoices issued for 2024–25

^{*} Indicative dates only

Attachment P: CRIS approval process and change register

Date of change	Change made	Approved by	Basis for change
17 July 2015	Draft CRIS	Nick Rayns	Draft CRIS for consultation
24 November 2015	Draft CRIS budget	Nick Rayns	Draft CRIS budget impacts released for comment
19 February 2016	Draft CRIS V2	Nick Rayns	Incorporated changes from consultation. Includes changes to allocations of costs for IT and amortisation of the Pisces system and inclusion of non-commercial Torres Strait fisheries in the allocation of licensing and registration costs.
20 September 2016	Draft CRIS V2.1	Nick Rayns	Minor adjustment to consolidate Commissioners, CEO and GMs into single activity for increased transparency
09 December 2016	2017 CRIS	Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	AFMA's CRIS approved
14 March 2018	Draft CRIS 2018–19 Budget	James Findlay	Draft CRIS 2018-19 Budget released for consultation
14 May 2018	2018–19 CRIS	James Findlay	CRIS 2018-19 Budget finalised
26 February 2019	Draft CRIS 2019–20 Budget	Anna Wilcock	Draft CRIS 2019-20 Budget released for consultation
11 April 2019	2019–20 CRIS	Wez Norris	CRIS 2019-20 Budget finalised
21 February 2020	Draft CRIS 2020–21 Budget	Wez Norris	Draft CRIS 2020-21 Budget released for consultation
16 June 2020	Penultimate 2020–21 cost recovered budget and CRIS	Wez Norris	Penultimate CRIS 2020-21 Budget released
22 March 2021	Draft CRIS 2021–22 Budget	Wez Norris	Draft CRIS 2021-22 Budget released for consultation
Late May 2021	2021–22 CRIS	Wez Norris	CRIS 2021-22 Budget finalised
April 2022	Draft CRIS 2022–23 Budget	Wez Norris	Draft CRIS 2022-23 Budget released for consultation
June 2022	2022–23 CRIS	Wez Norris	CRIS 2022-23 Budget finalised
May 2023	Draft CRIS 2023–24 Budget	Wez Norris	Draft CRIS 2023-24 Budget released for consultation
June 2023	2023–24 CRIS	Wez Norris	CRIS 2023-24 Budget finalised
June 2024	Draft Budget	Wez Norris	Draft cost recovered budget released for consultation
July 2024	2024-25 CRIS	Wez Norris	Budget and CRIS 2024–25 finalised

Attachment Q: 2024–25 cost recovered budget expenditure summary

AFMA Cost Recovered Fisheries

Differences between Budget Expenditure for 2024-25 to 2023-24

Allocations Under Cost Recovery Implementation Statement (CRIS 2025)

CRIS Categories	A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries	B. Data Collection & Management	C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement	E. Research	F. Policy Support	G. Input into defining international treaty standards & developing regulation	H. Foreign Fisheries Compliance Enforcement & Capacity Building	I. Management of Traditional, Indigenous & Non-Commercial Fisheries	Sub-total Costs	Fee for Service	Total Levy Base
South East Trawl	(95,558)	169,177	44,232		(94,420)	(30,594)				(7,164)	(848)	(8,012)
Gillnet Hook and Trap		*	37,798	-	(, ,	(· /	-	-	-	69,251	(885)	68,366
	30,561	89,780		-	(71,193)	(17,695)	-	-	-		. ,	
Great Australian Bight Trawl	(5,523)	61,462 3,090	2,028 2,035	-	8,826	(4,730)	-	-	-	62,062	(46)	62,016
Coral Sea Heard & McDonald Islands	54,775		2,035 8,098	-	- 554	1,528	-	-	-	61,427	(10)	61,418
	3,653	(1,661)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-		(4,542)	-	-	-	6,103	(119)	5,984
Small Pelagic	(73,002)	27,704	(5,389)	-	187,533	(12,489)	-	-	-	124,357	(57)	124,300
Macquarie Island	26,112	101,654	2,995	-	10,526	(1,130)	-	-	-	140,157	(51)	140,106
Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop	(21,299)	(4,687)	1,258	-	(14,538)	(7,626)	-	-	-	(46,893)	(54)	(46,947)
Western Deepwater Trawl	27,895	1,712	(722)	-	-	134	-	-	-	29,019	(3)	29,016
Northern Prawn	(52,817)	101,290	(890)	-	193,410	(17,352)	-	-	-	223,641	(49)	223,592
North West Slope	27,895	2,554	(528)	-	-	134	-	-	-	30,054	(2)	30,053
Southern Squid Jig	(38,195)	16,504	2,461	-	-	(4,215)	-	-	-	(23,445)	(49)	(23,493)
Torres Strait Prawn	(19,257)	4,460	4,454	-	-	(3,963)	-	-	-	(14,307)	599	(13,708)
Skipjack Tuna	247	2,166	(1,919)	-	-	(873)	-	-	-	(379)	(1)	(380)
Eastern Tuna & Billfish	13,437	130,624	11,291	-	67,563	(11,949)	-	-	-	210,966	(226)	210,739
Southern Bluefin Tuna	161	31,755	14,297	-	2,583	(7,777)	-	-	-	41,018	(124)	40,895
Western Tuna & Billfish	(17,429)	16,486	(2,638)	-	11,923	(4,319)	-	-	-	4,023	(29)	3,993
TOTALS	(138,347)	754,069	118,860	-	302,766	(127,458)	-	-	-	909,890	(1,952)	907,938
Government funded costs	295,000	1,701,997	(415,083)	521,952	(100,847)	(159,801)	(885,294)	2,004,737	(86,361)	2,876,299		
Other revenues	(114,529)	(52,303)	13,891	-	75,000	-	(946,959)	555,000	-	(469,899)		
Government Funded	180,471	1,649,694	(401,192)	521,952	(25,847)	(159,801)	(1,832,253)	2,559,737	(86,361)	2,406,400		

AFMA Cost Recovered Fisheries

Budget Expenditure July to June 2024-25

Allocations Under Cost Recovery Implementation Statement (CRIS 2025)

CRIS Categories	A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries	B. Data Collection & Management	C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement	E. Research	F. Policy Support	G. Input into defining international treaty standards & developing regulation	H. Foreign Fisheries Compliance Enforcement & Capacity Building	I. Management of Traditional, Indigenous & Non-Commercial Fisheries	Sub-total Costs 2024-25	Fee for Service	Total Levy Base
	4.425.000	4.407.000	• • • • • •		650 500						(4.50.550)	2465200
South East Trawl	1,127,393	1,207,980	248,840	-	678,783	55,986	-	-	-	3,318,982	(153,660)	3,165,323
Gillnet Hook and Trap	828,674	1,187,361	240,957	-	300,283	50,662	-	-	-	2,607,937	(16,613)	2,591,323
Great Australian Bight Trawl	303,443	160,497	20,152	-	117,022	16,893	-	-	-	618,008	(579)	617,429
Coral Sea	110,098	58,441	7,610	-	-	5,522	-	-	-	181,670	(120)	181,550
Heard & McDonald Islands	212,891	1,476,877	28,894	-	4,599	10,482	-	-	-	1,733,744	(422,117)	1,311,627
Small Pelagic	356,720	167,154	20,461	-	664,535	17,317	-	-	-	1,226,187	(714)	1,225,472
Macquarie Island	135,270	284,049	14,008	-	87,390	6,586	-	-	-	527,303	(75,226)	452,077
Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop	294,530	38,398	16,097	-	64,047	14,154	-	-	-	427,226	(678)	426,548
Western Deepwater Trawl	79,732	37,669	2,717	-	-	3,928	-	-	-	124,046	(37)	124,010
Northern Prawn	672,704	618,283	16,263	-	1,067,113	32,343	-	-	-	2,406,706	(50,610)	2,356,096
North West Slope	79,732	40,138	2,717	-	-	3,928	-	-	-	126,515	(21)	126,494
Southern Squid Jig	71,654	39,741	12,502	-	-	3,514	-	-	-	127,411	(610)	126,801
Torres Strait Prawn	101,821	143,799	25,444	-	-	5,260	-	-	-	276,324	(10,452)	265,872
Skipjack Tuna	39,021	2,166	4,116	-	-	1,958	-	-	-	47,262	(10)	47,251
Eastern Tuna & Billfish	620,409	903,415	71,501	-	133,229	30,518	-	-	-	1,759,072	(2,842)	1,756,230
Southern Bluefin Tuna	349,264	946,131	45,580	-	231,191	17,382	-	-	-	1,589,548	(1,554)	1,587,994
Western Tuna & Billfish	142,586	78,304	16,659	-	23,511	7,066	-	-	-	268,125	(370)	267,754
TOTALS	5,525,941	7,390,403	794,518	-	3,371,702	283,501	-	-	-	17,366,065	(736,214)	16,629,851
Government funded costs	3,522,716	7,732,843	150,769	4,645,650	1,939,480	628,603	5,969,941	4,736,849	2,065,248	31,392,099		
Other revenues	(114,529)	(1,912,723)	(81,557)	-	(150,000)	-	(1,666,228)	-	-	(3,925,036)		
Government Funded	3,408,187	5,820,120	69,212	4,645,650	1,789,480	628,603	4,303,713	4,736,849	2,065,248	27,467,063		

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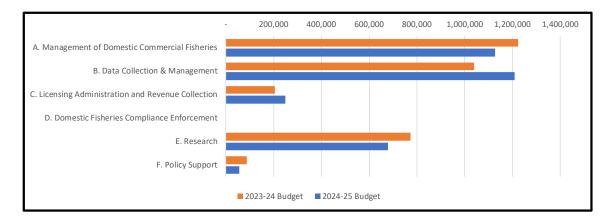
Budget Expenditure July to June 2023-24

Allocations Under Cost Recovery Implementation Statement (CRIS 2025)

CRIS Categories	A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries	B. Data Collection & Management	C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement	E. Research	F. Policy Support	G. Input into defining international treaty standards & developing regulation	H. Foreign Fisheries Compliance Enforcement & Capacity Building	I. Management of Traditional, Indigenous & Non-Commercial Fisheries	Sub-total Costs 2023-24	Fee for Service	Total Levy Base
South East Trawl	1,222,951	1,038,804	204.608		773,203	86,580				3,326,146	(152,811)	3,173,335
Gillnet Hook and Trap	798,113	1,097,580	203,160	-	371,476	68,356	-	-	-	2,538,686	(15,729)	2,522,957
Great Australian Bight Trawl	308,966	99,036	18,125	<u>-</u>	108,196	21,623	-	-	- -	555,945	(533)	555,412
Coral Sea	55,323	55,351	5,575	-	100,190	3,995	-	-	-	120,243	(110)	120,133
Heard & McDonald Islands	209,238	1,478,538	20,796		4.045	15,024	-	-	_	1,727,641	(421,998)	1,305,643
Small Pelagic	429,722	139,449	25,850		477,002	29,806	-	-		1,101,830	(658)	1,101,173
Macquarie Island	109,158	182,395	11,013	-	76,864	7,716	-	-	-	387,146	(75,176)	311,970
Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop	315,829	43,085	14,840		78,584	21,780	-	-	-	474,119	· · /	473,495
Western Deepwater Trawl	51,837	35,957	3,438	-	70,304	3,795	<u>-</u>	-	-	95,027	(624) (34)	94,994
Northern Prawn	725,521	516,993	17,153	-	873,703	49,695	-	-	-	,	(50,562)	2,132,503
North West Slope	51,837	37,585	3,244	-		3,795	-	-	-	2,183,065 96,461		96,441
	109,849	23,237	10,042	-	-	7,729	-	-	-	150,856	(19) (562)	150,295
Southern Squid Jig Torres Strait Prawn	121,078	139,339	20,990	-	-	9,224	-	-	-	290,631	· /	279,580
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Skipjack Tuna	38,774	-	6,035	-	-	2,831	-	-	-	47,641	(10)	47,631
Eastern Tuna & Billfish	606,972	772,791	60,209	-	65,666	42,468	-	-	-	1,548,106	(2,616)	1,545,490
Southern Bluefin Tuna	349,103	914,376	31,283	-	228,608	25,159	-	-	-	1,548,530	(1,430)	1,547,099
Western Tuna & Billfish	160,015	61,818	19,297	-	11,588	11,384	-	-	-	264,102	(341)	263,761
TOTALS	5,664,288	6,636,334	675,659	-	3,068,936	410,959	-	-	-	16,456,176	(734,262)	15,721,914
Government funded costs	3,227,716	6,030,847	565,853	4,123,698	2,040,327	788,404	6,855,235	2,732,113	2,151,609	28,515,800		
Other revenues	5,227,710	(1,860,420)	(95,448)	4,123,096	(225,000)	700,404	(719,269)	(555,000)	2,131,009	(3,455,137)		
Government Funded	3,227,716	4,170,427	470,405	4,123,698	1,815,327	788,404	6,135,966	2,177,113	2,151,609	25,060,663		

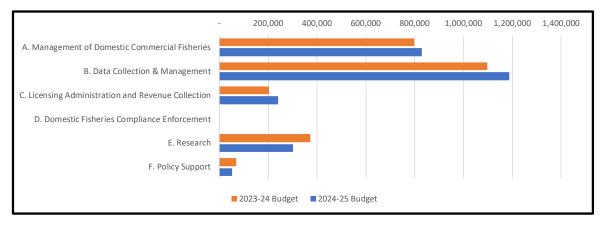
Attachment R: 2024–25 Commonwealth Fishery budget comparison

Australian Fisheri	ies Manager	ment Author	ity	
Commonwealth Fishery Budget C	omparison Ju	ly to June (20	23-24 to 2024-25	5)
Sou	ıth East Trawl			
Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity	2023-24	2024-25	Budget Va	riance
Group	Budget	Budget	\$'s	%
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries				
Species and environmental management	367,248	336,910	(30,337)	(8.3%
Risk Management	201,766	168,935	(32,831)	(16.3%
Bycatch	104,688	82,194	(22,494)	(21.5%
MAC & RAG	218,181	236,988	18,807	8.6%
Consultation and Engagement	188,778	167,373	(21,405)	(11.3%
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	142,291	134,993	(7,298)	(5.1%
	1,222,951	1,127,393	(95,558)	(7.8%
B. Data Collection & Management		,		
Electronic Monitoring	-	-	-	
Observers	716,555	831,958	115,402	16.1%
Vessel Monitoring	81,475	94,859	13,384	16.4%
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	-	20,001	20,001	
Data Management	60,623	87,421	26,797	44.2%
Total Logbook and CDRs	180,149	173,742	(6,407)	(3.6%
	1,038,804	1,207,980	169,177	16.3%
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection				
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	139,187	206,254	67,067	48.2%
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	65,421	42,586	(22,835)	(34.9%
Systems	*	, ,	` ' '	
	204,608	248,840	44,232	21.6%
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement				
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	-	-	-	
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E. Research	07.574	00.407	(0.000)	(00.00)
Research Contract Administration	37,571	29,187	(8,383)	(22.3%
Research Projects	735,633	649,595	(86,037)	(11.7%
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F. Policy Support	00 500	EE 000 I	(20 504)	/OF 00/
Policy	86,580 86,580	55,986 55,986	(30,594) (30,594)	(35.3% (35.3 %
Total Expenditure	3,326,146	3,318,982	(7,164)	(0.2%
Fee for Service	(152,811)	(153,660)	(848)	0.6%
Cost-recovered levy budget	3,173,335	3,165,323	(8,012)	(0.3%
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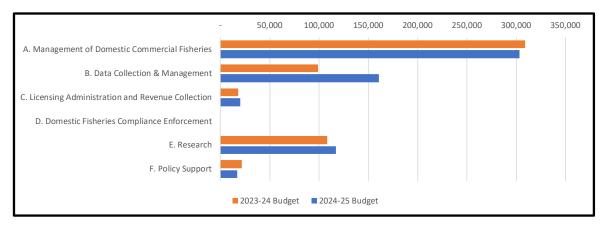
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Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity	2023-24	2024-25	Budget Variance		
Group	Budget	Budget	\$'s	%	
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries					
Species and environmental management	216,361	218,011	1,650	0.8%	
Risk Management	116,023	117,065	1,042	0.9%	
Bycatch	34,282	36,202	1,920	5.6%	
MAC & RAG	183,374	176,607	(6,767)	(3.7%)	
Consultation and Engagement	135,733	158,635	22,902	16.9%	
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	112,341	122,154	9,813	8.7%	
	798,113	828,674	30,561	3.8%	
B. Data Collection & Management					
Electronic Monitoring	537,930	583,162	45,232	8.4%	
Observers	13,520	17,332	3,813	28.2%	
Vessel Monitoring	108,634	124,815	16,181	14.9%	
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	176,884	211,738	34,854	19.7%	
Data Management	37,648	40,850	3,202	8.5%	
Total Logbook and CDRs	222,965	209,463	(13,502)	(6.1%)	
	1,097,580	1,187,361	89,780	8.2%	
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection					
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	134,526	196,280	61,754	45.9%	
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Systems	68,634	44,678	(23,956)	(34.9%)	
	203,160	240,957	37,798	18.6%	
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement					
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
E. Research					
Research Contract Administration	18,050	12,912	(5,138)	(28.5%)	
Research Projects	353,426	287,371	(66,055)	(18.7%)	
	371,476	300,283	(71,193)	(19.2%)	
F. Policy Support					
Policy	68,356	50,662	(17,695)	(25.9%)	
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Total Expenditure	2,538,686	2,607,937	69,251	2.7%	
Fee for Service	(15,729)	(16,613)	(885)	5.6%	
Cost-recovered levy budget	2,522,957	2,591,323	68,366	2.7%	

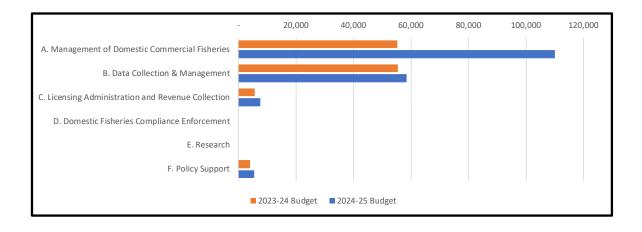


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Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity	2023-24	2024-25	Budget Variance		
Group	Budget	Budget	\$'s	%	
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries					
Species and environmental management	124,971	116,248	(8,723)	(7.0%)	
Risk Management	26,919	25,209	(1,710)	(6.4%)	
Bycatch	7,713	7,478	(235)	(3.0%)	
MAC & RAG	76,033	64,423	(11,610)	(15.3%)	
Consultation and Engagement	37,793	49,354	11,561	30.6%	
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	35,537	40,732	5,195	14.6%	
	308,966	303,443	(5,523)	(1.8%)	
B. Data Collection & Management					
Electronic Monitoring	-	-	-	-	
Observers	60,840	66,854	6,014	9.9%	
Vessel Monitoring	9,699	9,985	286	2.9%	
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	-	44,054	44,054	-	
Data Management	13,647	27,730	14,083	103.2%	
Total Logbook and CDRs	14,849	11,874	(2,975)	(20.0%)	
	99,036	160,497	61,462	62.1%	
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection					
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	6,150	12,358	6,208	100.9%	
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Systems	11,974	7,795	(4,180)	(34.9%)	
	18,125	20,152	2,028	11.2%	
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement					
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	-	-	-	<u> </u>	
	-	-	-	-	
E. Research					
Research Contract Administration	5,257	5,032	(225)	(4.3%)	
Research Projects	102,938	111,990	9,051	8.8%	
	108,196	117,022	8,826	8.2%	
F. Policy Support					
Policy	21,623	16,893	(4,730)	(21.9%)	
	21,623	16,893	(4,730)	(21.9%)	
Total Expenditure	555,945	618,008	62,062	11.2%	
Fee for Service	(533)	(579)	(46)	8.6%	
Cost-recovered levy budget	555,412	617,429	62,016	11.2%	



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **Coral Sea Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 22,069 38,150 16,081 72.9% Risk Management 5,037 27,816 22,778 452.2% 4,340 4,391 98.8% Bycatch 8,731 1,047 MAC & RAG (1,047)(100.0%)16,214 22,086 5,872 36.2% Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 6,565 13,315 6,750 102.8% 54,775 110,098 99.0% 55,323 Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** 2.896 9.9% Observers 29 293 32 189 (22.8%) Vessel Monitoring 9,699 7,489 (2,211)Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection 10,165 Data Management 4,117 6,049 146.9% Total Logbook and CDRs 12,241 8,598 (29.8% (3,643)55,351 58,441 3,090 5.6% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 2,654 5,708 3,054 115.1% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 2,921 1,901 (1,019)(34.9%) Systems 7,610 2,035 5,575 36.5% D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing _ E. Research Research Contract Administration Research Projects _ F. Policy Support 5,522 1,528 Policy 3,995 38.2% 3,995 5,522 1,528 38.2% **Total Expenditure** 120,243 181,670 61,427 51.1% Fee for Service (110)(120)8.6% (10)



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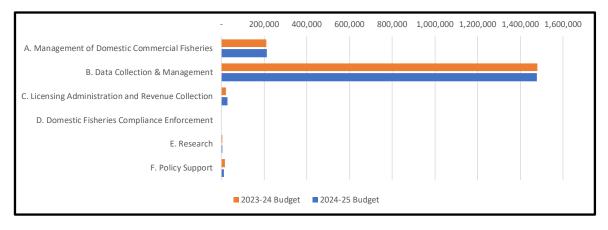
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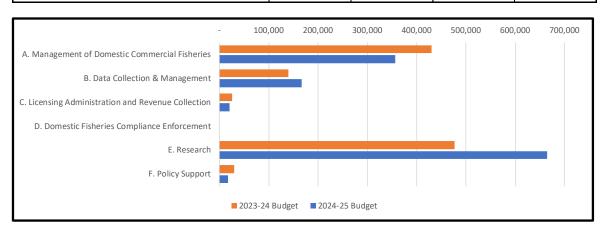
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Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) Heard & McDonald Islands

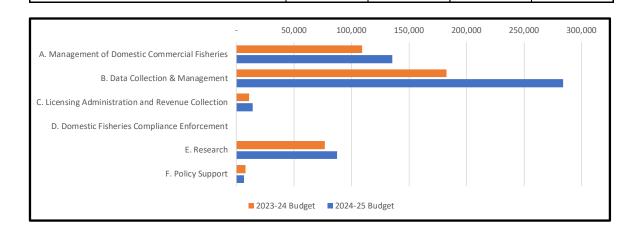
Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity	2023-24	2024-25	Budget Variance		
Group	Budget Budget		\$'s	%	
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries					
Species and environmental management	96,558	91,677	(4,881)	(5.1%)	
Risk Management	27,377	26,095	(1,282)	(4.7%)	
Bycatch	14,012	13,199	(813)	(5.8%)	
MAC & RAG	22,428	32,032	9,604	42.8%	
Consultation and Engagement	24,172	24,614	442	1.8%	
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	24,691	25,274	583	2.4%	
	209,238	212,891	3,653	1.7%	
B. Data Collection & Management					
Electronic Monitoring	-	-	-	-	
Observers	1,425,224	1,406,405	(18,819)	(1.3%)	
Vessel Monitoring	13,579	17,474	3,895	28.7%	
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	-	-	-	-	
Data Management	14,267	28,094	13,827	96.9%	
Total Logbook and CDRs	25,467	24,904	(564)	(2.2%)	
	1,478,538	1,476,877	(1,661)	(0.1%)	
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection					
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	14,955	25,092	10,137	67.8%	
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Systems	5,841	3,802	(2,039)	(34.9%)	
Oystonia	20,796	28,894	8,098	38.9%	
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement					
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
E. Research					
Research Contract Administration	197	198	1	0.6%	
Research Projects	3,849	4,402	553	14.4%	
	4,045	4,599	554	13.7%	
F. Policy Support					
Policy	15,024	10,482	(4,542)	(30.2%)	
	15,024	10,482	(4,542)	(30.2%)	
Total Expenditure	1,727,641	1,733,744	6,103	0.4%	
Fee for Service	(421,998)	(422,117)	(119)	0.0%	
Cost-recovered levy budget	1,305,643	1,311,627	5,984	0.5%	



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **Small Pelagic Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 133,117 108,926 (24, 191)(18.2%) Risk Management 65,261 72,536 7,275 11.1% 32,658 24,333 (8,325)(25.5%) Bycatch 70,165 (29, 183)MAC & RAG 99,347 (29.4%) 50,354 39,006 (11,347)(22.5%)Consultation and Engagement 48,985 Strategy, Governance & Leadership 41,754 (7,231)(14.8% (73,002)356,720 (17.0%) 429,722 Data Collection & Management 15,105 **Electronic Monitoring** 37,081 (21,977)(59.3%) Observers 66,473 89 138 22,665 34 1% Vessel Monitoring 9,699 12,481 2,782 28.7% Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 6,130 29,862 23,732 387.2% Total Logbook and CDRs 20,066 20,567 501 2.5% 139,449 167,154 27,704 19.9% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 5,114 6,963 1,849 36.1% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 20,736 13,498 (7,238)(34.9%)Systems 25,850 20,461 (5,389)(20.8%) D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing E. Research Research Contract Administration 23,178 28,575 5,397 23.3% Research Projects 453,824 635,960 182,136 40.1% 477,002 664,535 187,533 39.3% F. Policy Support 29,806 (12,489)Policy 17,317 (41.9% 29,806 17,317 (12,489)(41.9% **Total Expenditure** 1,101,830 1,226,187 124,357 11.3% (714)Fee for Service (658)8.6% (57)1,101,173 1,225,472 124,300 11.3% Cost-recovered levy budget



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **Macquarie Island Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 45,576 52,484 6,908 15.2% Risk Management 13,074 15,139 2,065 15.8% 6,408 7,299 891 13.9% Bycatch 19,709 29,899 10,190 MAC & RAG 51.7% 11,710 14,568 2,858 24.4% Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 12,681 15,881 3,200 25.2% 26,112 109,158 135,270 23.9% Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** 180,266 273,605 51.8% Observers 93,340 Vessel Monitoring Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 1.709 9,951 8,243 482.4% Total Logbook and CDRs 17.1% 421 492 182,395 284,049 101,654 55.7% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 8,092 12,107 4,014 49.6% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 2,921 1,901 (1,019)(34.9% Systems 11,013 14,008 2,995 27.2% D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing _ E. Research Research Contract Administration 3,735 3,758 23 0.6% Research Projects 73,129 83,632 10,503 14.4% 76,864 10,526 87,390 13.7% F. Policy Support 6,586 (1,130)Policy 7,716 (14.6% 7,716 6,586 (1,130)(14.6% **Total Expenditure** 387,146 527,303 140,157 36.2% Fee for Service (75,226)0.1% (75, 176)(51)



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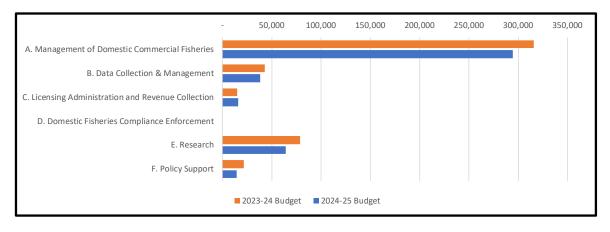
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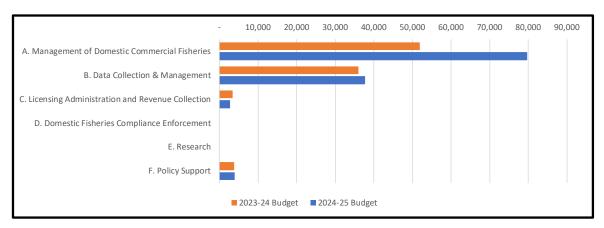
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Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity	2023-24	2024-25	Budget Variance	
Group	Budget	Budget	\$'s	%
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries				
Species and environmental management	81,281	94,457	13,176	16.2%
Risk Management	24,878	18,610	(6,268)	(25.2%)
Bycatch	19,786	34,930	15,144	76.5%
MAC & RAG	101,829	71,587	(30,242)	(29.7%)
Consultation and Engagement	52,260	40,819	(11,442)	(21.9%)
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	35,795	34,128	(1,667)	(4.7%)
	315,829	294,530	(21,299)	(6.7%)
B. Data Collection & Management				
Electronic Monitoring	-	-	-	-
Observers	-	-	-	-
Vessel Monitoring	13,579	9,985	(3,594)	(26.5%)
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	-	-	-	-
Data Management	-	4,966	4,966	-
Total Logbook and CDRs	29,506	23,446	(6,060)	(20.5%)
	43,085	38,398	(4,687)	(10.9%)
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection				
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	8,999	12,295	3,296	36.6%
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	5,841	3,802	(2,039)	(34.9%)
Systems	14,840	16,097	1,258	8.5%
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement	14,040	10,037	1,230	6.5 /6
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	_			
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E. Research				
Research Contract Administration	3,818	2,754	(1,065)	(27.9%)
Research Projects	74,766	61,293	(13,473)	(18.0%)
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F. Policy Support	,	2 3,2 11	(* 3,000)	(101070)
Policy	21,780	14,154	(7,626)	(35.0%)
· · · · · ·	21,780	14,154	(7,626)	(35.0%)
Total Expenditure	474,119	427,226	(46,893)	(9.9%)
Fee for Service	(624)	(678)	(54)	8.6%
Cost-recovered levy budget	473,495	426,548	(46,947)	(9.9%)

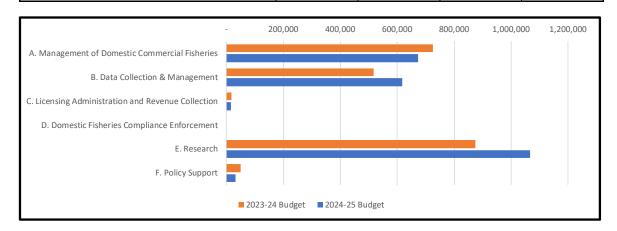


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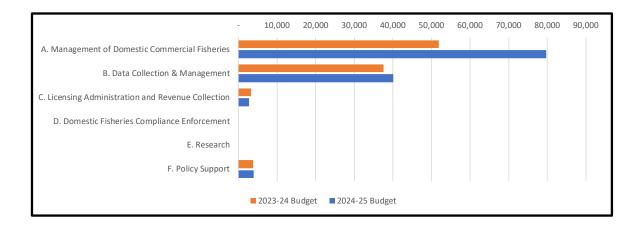
	2023-24		Budget \	Budget Variance		
Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity Group	Budget	2024-25 Budget	\$'s	%		
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries						
Species and environmental management	25,047	33,858	8,811	35.2%		
Risk Management	5,519	7,807	2,288	41.5%		
Bycatch	5,503	10,456	4,954	90.0%		
MAC & RAG	3,312	-	(3,312)	(100.0%)		
Consultation and Engagement	6,221	18,138	11,917	191.6%		
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	6,236	9,472	3,236	51.9%		
	51,837	79,732	27,895	53.8%		
B. Data Collection & Management						
Electronic Monitoring	-	-	-	-		
Observers	22,533	24,761	2,227	9.9%		
Vessel Monitoring	3,880	4,993	1,113	28.7%		
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	-	-	-	-		
Data Management	4,143	2,939	(1,203)	(29.0%)		
Total Logbook and CDRs	5,401	4,977	(424)	(7.9%)		
	35,957	37,669	1,712	4.8%		
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection						
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	518	815	298	57.5%		
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Systems	2,921	1,901	(1,019)	(34.9%)		
	3,438	2,717	(722)	(21.0%)		
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement						
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	-	-	-	-		
	-	-	-	-		
E. Research						
Research Contract Administration	-	-	-	-		
Research Projects	-	-	-	-		
	-	-	-			
F. Policy Support	<u> </u>					
Policy	3,795	3,928	134	3.5%		
	3,795	3,928	134	3.5%		
Total Expenditure	95,027	124,046	29,019	30.5%		
Fee for Service	(34)	(37)	(3)	8.6%		
Cost-recovered levy budget	94,994	124,010	29,016	30.5%		



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **Northern Prawn Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 300,420 264,951 (35,469)(11.8% 2,260 47,903 Risk Management 45,643 5.0% (3.9%) 23,756 22,834 Bycatch (922)180,745 (40,606)MAC & RAG 221,351 (18.3%)52,679 78,287 25,608 48.6% Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 81,671 77,984 (3,687)(4.5% 725,521 (52,817) 672,704 (7.3%) Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** 361.506 25.3% Observers 288 425 73,081 28.7% Vessel Monitoring 89,235 114,829 25,594 Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 30,122 44,421 14,299 47.5% Total Logbook and CDRs 109,211 97,527 (11,684 (10.7% 516,993 618,283 101,290 19.6% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 5,179 8,468 3,289 63.5% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 11,974 7.795 (4,180)(34.9%) Systems 17,153 16,263 (890) (5.2% D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing E. Research Research Contract Administration 42,454 45,885 3,431 8.1% Research Projects 831,249 1,021,228 189,979 22.9% 873,703 22.1% 193,410 1,067,113 F. Policy Support 49,695 (17,352)Policy 32,343 (34.9% 49,695 32,343 (17,352 (34.9% **Total Expenditure** 2,183,065 2,406,706 223,641 10.2% Fee for Service (50,562)(50,610)0.1% (49)Cost-recovered levy budget 2,132,503 2,356,096 223,592 10.5%



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **North West Slope Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 25,047 33,858 8,811 35.2% 7,807 Risk Management 5,519 2,288 41.5% 5,503 10,456 4,954 90.0% Bycatch 3,312 MAC & RAG (3,312)(100.0%)6,221 18,138 11,917 191.6% Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 6,236 9,472 3,236 51.9% 79,732 27,895 53.8% 51,837 Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** 3,007 9.9% Observers 30 420 33,427 Vessel Monitoring 1,940 (100.0%) (1,940)Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection 3,510 Data Management 3,510 Total Logbook and CDRs 5,225 3,201 (38.7% (2,024)37,585 40,138 2,554 6.8% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 324 815 492 151.9% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 2,921 1,901 (1,019)(34.9%) Systems 3,244 2,717 (528)(16.3%) D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing _ E. Research Research Contract Administration Research Projects _ F. Policy Support Policy 3,795 3,928 134 3.5% 3,795 3,928 134 3.5% **Total Expenditure** 96,461 126,515 30,054 31.2% Fee for Service 8.6% (19)(21)(2)



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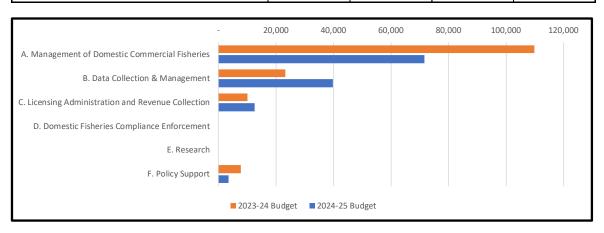
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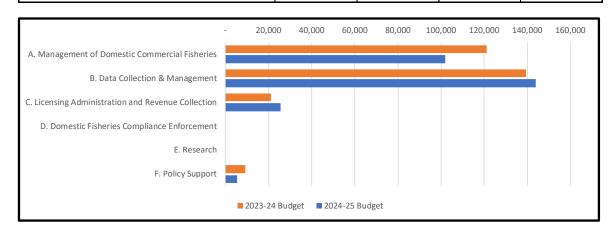
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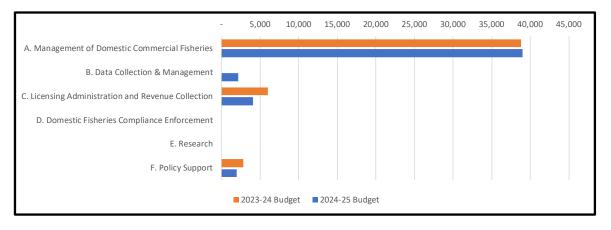
Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) Southern Squid Jig **Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 48.036 34,043 (13,993)(29.1%) Risk Management 9,495 4,348 (5,147)(54.2%)Bycatch (11,480)MAC & RAG 27,222 15,742 (42.2%)12,394 9,048 (3,346)(27.0%)Consultation and Engagement (4,229) Strategy, Governance & Leadership 12,702 8,473 (33.3% (38, 195)109,849 71,654 (34.8%) Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** Observers Vessel Monitoring 7,760 17,474 125.2% 9,714 Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 1,308 1.225 2,533 106.8% Total Logbook and CDRs 14,252 19,733 5,481 38.5% 23,237 39,741 16,504 71.0% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 7,121 10,601 3,480 48.9% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 2,921 1,901 (1,019)(34.9% Systems 10,042 12,502 2,461 24.5% D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing _ E. Research Research Contract Administration Research Projects _ F. Policy Support Policy 7,729 3,514 (4,215)(54.5% 7,729 3,514 (4,215)(54.5% **Total Expenditure** 150,856 127,411 (23,445)(15.5%) Fee for Service (562)(610)(49)8.6% Cost-recovered levy budget 150,295 126,801 (23,493)(15.6%)



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **Torres Strait Prawn Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries (9,684)Species and environmental management 44,398 34,714 (21.8% (0.0% Risk Management 10,739 10,738 (14.7%) 7,270 (1,253)Bycatch 8,523 30,030 19,097 MAC & RAG (10,934)(36.4%) 12,229 17,318 5,089 41.6% Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 15,158 12,684 (16.3%) (2,475)(19,257) 121,078 101,821 (15.9%) B. Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** 69.330 Observers 66 473 2,857 4 3% (1.0%) Vessel Monitoring 25,219 24,963 (256)Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 5,387 14,773 9,386 174.2% 42,260 Total Logbook and CDRs 34,733 (17.8% (7.528)139,339 143,799 4,460 3.2% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 15,149 21,642 6,493 42.9% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 5,841 3,802 (2,039)(34.9% Systems 25,444 4,454 20,990 21.2% D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing _ E. Research Research Contract Administration Research Projects _ F. Policy Support Policy 9,224 5,260 (3,963)(43.0% 9,224 5,260 (3,963) (43.0% **Total Expenditure** 290,631 276,324 (14,307)(4.9%) (5.4%)Fee for Service (10,452)599 (11,051)Cost-recovered levy budget 279,580 265,872 (13,708)(4.9%)

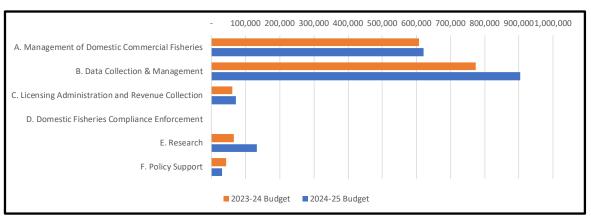


Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) Skipjack Tuna **Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 19,752 19,703 (49)(0.3% 5,508 Risk Management 5,541 (33)(0.6%)2,946 2,966 20 0.7% Bycatch 1,053 1,072 19 MAC & RAG 1.8% Consultation and Engagement 4,828 5,050 222 4.6% 4,722 Strategy, Governance & Leadership 4,653 69 1.5% 38,774 39,021 247 0.6% Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** Observers Vessel Monitoring Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 2,166 2,166 Total Logbook and CDRs 2,166 2,166 C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 194 314 119 61.5% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 5,841 3,802 (2,039)(34.9%) Systems 6,035 4,116 (1,919)(31.8%) D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing _ E. Research Research Contract Administration Research Projects _ F. Policy Support Policy 2,831 1,958 (873) (30.8% 2,831 1,958 (873) (30.8% **Total Expenditure** 47,641 47,262 (379)(0.8%)Fee for Service (10)(10)8.6% (1)Cost-recovered levy budget 47,631 47,251 (380)(0.8%)

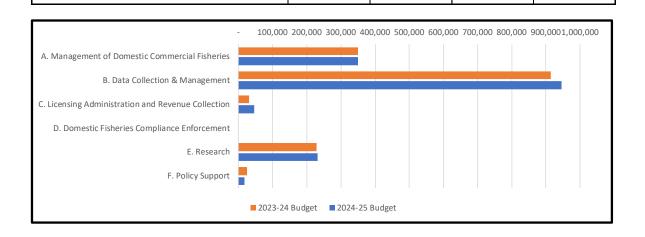


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Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity	2023-24	2024-25	Budget Variance		
Group	Budget	Budget	\$'s	%	
A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries					
Species and environmental management	260,930	303,166	42,236	16.2%	
Risk Management	59,741	60,908	1,167	2.0%	
Bycatch	25,510	26,520	1,011	4.0%	
MAC & RAG	140,653	102,063	(38,590)	(27.4%)	
Consultation and Engagement	50,345	54,167	3,822	7.6%	
Strategy, Governance & Leadership	69,794	73,585	3,791	5.4%	
	606,972	620,409	13,437	2.2%	
B. Data Collection & Management					
Electronic Monitoring	525,822	629,279	103,457	19.7%	
Observers	-	-	-	-	
Vessel Monitoring	79,536	94,859	15,324	19.3%	
Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection	-	-	-	-	
Data Management	25,744	46,899	21,155	82.2%	
Total Logbook and CDRs	141,690	132,378	(9,312)	(6.6%)	
	772,791	903,415	130,624	16.9%	
C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection					
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection	33,340	54,010	20,670	62.0%	
Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Systems	26,869	17,491	(9,379)	(34.9%)	
	60,209	71,501	11,291	18.8%	
D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement					
Compliance and domestic illegal fishing	-	-	-		
	-	-	-	-	
E. Research	<u> </u>				
Research Contract Administration	3,191	5,729	2,538	79.5%	
Research Projects	62,475	127,500	65,025	104.1%	
	65,666	133,229	67,563	102.9%	
F. Policy Support					
Policy	42,468	30,518	(11,949)	(28.1%)	
	42,468	30,518	(11,949)	(28.1%)	
Total Expenditure	1,548,106	1,759,072	210,966	13.6%	
Fee for Service	(2,616)	(2,842)	(226)	8.6%	
Cost-recovered levy budget	1,545,490	1,756,230	210,739	13.6%	



Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) **Southern Bluefin Tuna Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group **Budget Budget** \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 164,724 164,832 108 0.1% Risk Management 46,589 46,418 (0.4%)(171)24,059 314 1.3% Bycatch 24,373 31,375 28,667 MAC & RAG (2,707)(8.6%)41,010 43,063 2,053 5.0% Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 41,347 41,910 563 1.4% 349,264 161 349,103 0.0% Data Collection & Management (39,039)(31.6% **Electronic Monitoring** 123,352 84,312 Observers 81,119 136,184 55,064 67.9% Vessel Monitoring 62,077 54,918 (7,158)(11.5%) Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection 493,150 535,630 42,480 8.6% Data Management 9,487 6,872 (2,615)(27.6%)Total Logbook and CDRs 145,192 128,216 (16,976)(11.7%) 914,376 946,131 31,755 3.5% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 25,442 41,778 16,336 64.2% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 5,841 3,802 (2,039)(34.9%) Systems 45,580 31,283 14,297 45.7% D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing E. Research Research Contract Administration 11,108 9,941 (1,167)(10.5% Research Projects 217,500 221,250 3,750 1.7% 228,608 231,191 2,583 1.1% F. Policy Support Policy 25,159 17,382 (7,777)(30.9%



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Total Expenditure

Cost-recovered levy budget

Fee for Service

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Australian Fisheries Management Authority Commonwealth Fishery Budget Comparison July to June (2023-24 to 2024-25) Western Tuna & Billfish **Budget Variance Cost Recovery Summary By Output and Activity** 2023-24 2024-25 Group Budget Budget \$'s % A. Management of Domestic Commercial Fisheries Species and environmental management 69.698 64,912 (4,786)(6.9% (7.7% Risk Management 19,893 18,355 (1,538)9,937 9,502 (435)(4.4%) Bycatch 24,069 MAC & RAG 15,642 (8,427)(35.0%) 17,708 17,138 (570)(3.2%) Consultation and Engagement Strategy, Governance & Leadership 18,710 17,036 (1,673)(8.9% (17,429) 160,015 142,586 (10.9%) Data Collection & Management **Electronic Monitoring** 37,081 42,897 5,816 15.7% Observers Vessel Monitoring 5,820 7,489 1,669 28.7% Fishery-specific monitoring & data collection Data Management 4.673 13.411 8,738 187.0% Total Logbook and CDRs 14,244 14,507 263 1.8% 61,818 78,304 16,486 26.7% C. Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 4,402 6,963 2,561 58.2% Licensing Administration and Revenue Collection 14,895 9.696 (5,199)(34.9%)Systems 19,297 16,659 (2,638)(13.7%) D. Domestic Fisheries Compliance Enforcement Compliance and domestic illegal fishing E. Research Research Contract Administration 563 1,011 448 79.5% Research Projects 11,025 22,500 11,475 104.1% 11,588 23,511 11,923 102.9% F. Policy Support 11,384 7,066 (4,319)(37.9% Policy 7,066 11,384 (4,319) (37.9% **Total Expenditure** 264,102 268,125 4,023 1.5% Fee for Service (370)(29)8.6% (341)Cost-recovered levy budget 263,761 267,754 3,993 1.5%

