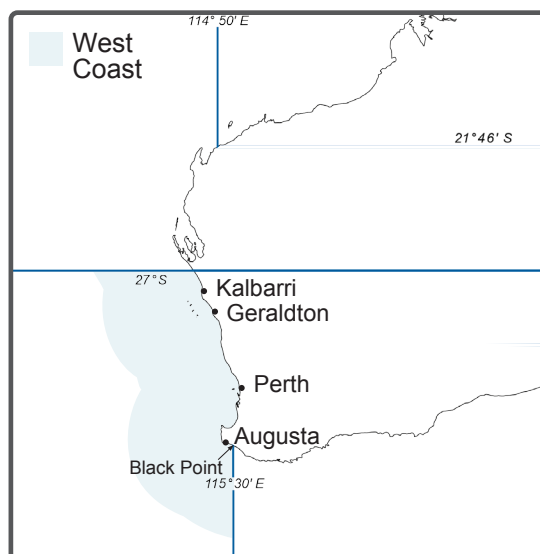


Recreational fishing profile 2020/21

West Coast Bioregion

Here's some data about the West Coast Bioregion that recreational fishers helped generate through our Statewide Survey of Recreational Fishing. The West Coast Bioregion of Western Australia spans from Kalbarri to Augusta and includes the Perth metropolitan area and the Abrolhos Islands. The most frequently caught species in this bioregion were Western rock lobster and blue swimmer crab. The most frequently caught finfish were school whiting, Australian herring, and pink snapper.



Catch the facts on recreational fishing in the West Coast Bioregion



60%

of Recreational Fishing from Boat Licence (RFBL) holders reported fishing in the bioregion



73%

of days fished in WA were in this bioregion



343,735

fishing events



791,963

hours fished



313,873

boat days

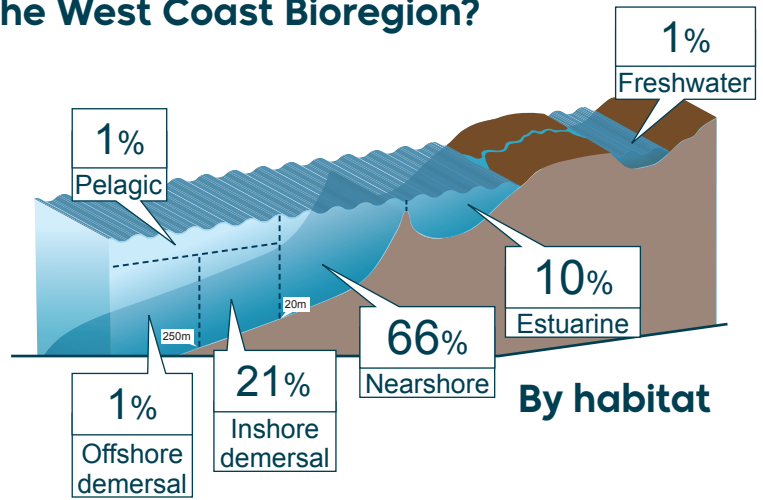
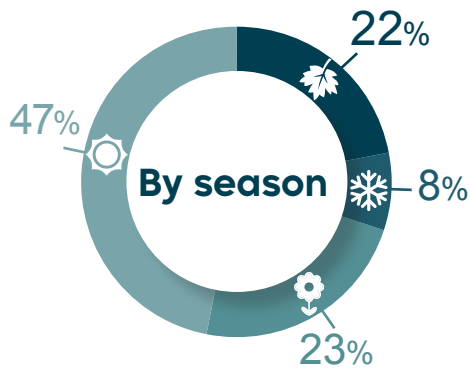


63%

of statewide fishing effort (hours)

161 species reported

When and where did people fish in the West Coast Bioregion?



Percentage of bioregion catch

26% Western rock lobster

72% retained

28% released



20% Blue swimmer crab

34% retained

66% released



14% School whiting (western school, southern school and yellowfin whiting)

82% retained

18% released



8% Australian herring

82% retained

18% released



4% Squid

95% retained

5% released



3% Pink snapper

25% retained

75% released



■ Retained vs □ Released

Key species caught in the West Coast Bioregion

To learn more about statewide recreational fishing, visit our webpage: fish.wa.gov.au/statewide-recfishing

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