

Reporting of interactions with listed species in Queensland-managed fisheries in Commonwealth waters.

Under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) any person who undertakes an activity that results in the unintentional death, injury, trading, taking, keeping or moving a member of a listed threatened species (except a conservation dependent species), a member of a listed threatened ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, a member of a listed marine species or a cetacean in or on a Commonwealth area and the activity was not authorised by a permit, must notify the Secretary of the Department of the Environment and Heritage of that action. This requirement to report includes fishers operating in all Commonwealth waters.

In 2005 the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments signed a Memorandum of Understanding for “The Reporting of Fisheries Interactions with Protected Species Under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*”. The agreement established administrative arrangements to assist Queensland fishers to meet their requirements under the EPBC Act. The Memorandum of Understanding has streamlined the reporting of interactions, with fishers now making one report in their compulsory daily logbook. Data submitted by fishers in their logbooks are aggregated by the Queensland Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries and are submitted to the Department of the Environment and Heritage quarterly.

In accordance with the agreement records of the interactions for Queensland fisheries are below.

Should you require further information regarding these reports please contact:

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Report for the period 1/4/06-30/6/06

Taxon	Species	Species Scientific	Number of Species	Conservation Status 1	Conservation Status 2	Conservation Status 3	Interaction Date	Interaction/Condition
Turtles	Green Turtle	Chelonia mydas	80	Listed Marine	Listed Migratory	Vulnerable	1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Gillnetting
Turtles	Hawksbill Turtle	Eretmochelys imbricata	1	Listed as Vulnerable	Listed Marine	Listed Migratory	1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Gillnetting
Turtles	Unidentified Turtle - Saltwater		2				1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Gillnetting
Turtles	Unidentified Turtle - Saltwater		1				1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Trawling
Sawfish	Sawfish - Green	Pristis zijsron	1				1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Trawling
Sawfish	Sawfish - Narrow	Pristis zijsron	2				1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Trawling
Sawfish	Sawfish - Narrow	Pristis zijsron	1				1/4/06-30/6/06	Dead, Trawling
Sea Snakes			1				1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Gillnetting
Sea Snakes			500				1/4/06-30/6/06	Alive, Trawling
Sea Snakes			48				1/4/06-30/6/06	Dead, Trawling
Sea Snakes			13				1/4/06-30/6/06	Injured, Trawling