# Golden Fish: Evaluating and optimising the biological, social and economic returns of small-scale fisheries: Supplementary material 

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### 1.2. Heterogeneity among recreational fishers' motivations for utilising two estuarine fisheries

Table S1.2.1. Number of responses (n) and the frequency of occurrence (\%) of responses about the demographics of Blue Swimmer Crabs and Black Bream fishers. Data obtained from respondents that answered all questions in the closed question online survey.

|  | Blue Swimmer Crab |  | Black Bream |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender | n | \% | n | \% |
| Male | 298 | 83.94 | 99 | 93.40 |
| Female | 55 | 15.49 | 7 | 6.60 |
| Other | 2 | 0.56 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Age | n | \% | n | \% |
| 18-24 | 30 | 8.47 | 18 | 16.98 |
| 25-34 | 66 | 18.64 | 26 | 24.53 |
| 35-44 | 96 | 27.12 | 29 | 27.36 |
| 45-54 | 70 | 19.77 | 15 | 14.15 |
| 55-64 | 53 | 14.97 | 16 | 15.09 |
| 65 or more | 39 | 11.02 | 2 | 1.89 |
| Education | n | \% | n | \% |
| Primary School | 3 | 0.88 | 1 | 0.94 |
| Secondary School | 108 | 31.67 | 41 | 38.68 |
| Technical or Further educational institution | 119 | 34.90 | 31 | 29.25 |
| University or other Tertiary institution | 111 | 32.55 | 32 | 30.19 |
| Other | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.94 |
| Household annual income | n | \% | n | \% |
| <\$0 | 5 | 1.61 | 3 | 3.06 |
| \$0 | 14 | 4.50 | 6 | 6.12 |
| \$1-\$20,799 | 20 | 6.43 | 9 | 9.18 |
| \$20,800-\$41,599 | 28 | 9.00 | 10 | 10.20 |
| \$41,600-\$62,399 | 48 | 15.43 | 10 | 10.20 |
| \$62,400-\$83,199 | 50 | 16.08 | 18 | 18.37 |
| \$84,000-\$103,999 | 32 | 10.29 | 16 | 16.33 |
| \$104,000-\$142,999 | 41 | 13.18 | 7 | 7.14 |
| \$143,000-\$181,999 | 32 | 10.29 | 6 | 6.12 |
| \$182,000-\$233,999 | 21 | 6.75 | 7 | 7.14 |
| \$234,000-\$285,999 | 5 | 1.61 | 1 | 1.02 |
| \$286,000-\$337,999 | 6 | 1.93 | 2 | 2.04 |
| > \$338,000 | 9 | 2.89 | 3 | 3.06 |

Table S1.2.2. Number of responses ( $n$ ) and the frequency of occurrence (\%) of responses about the characteristics of Blue Swimmer Crabs and Black Bream fishers. Data obtained from respondents that answered all questions in the closed question online survey.

|  | Blue Swimmer Crab |  | Black Bream |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fishing frequency | n | \% | n | \% |
| I have never been fishing for crabs* | 10 | 1.92 | 2 | 1.40 |
| I have not fished for crabs in the past 12 months* | 33 | 6.32 | 7 | 4.90 |
| Once | 46 | 8.81 | 4 | 2.80 |
| Once a month | 92 | 17.62 | 27 | 18.88 |
| Once every 2-3 months | 87 | 16.67 | 16 | 11.19 |
| Once every 4-6 months | 97 | 18.58 | 7 | 4.90 |
| 1-2 days a fortnight | 107 | 20.50 | 41 | 28.67 |
| 1-2 days a week | 35 | 6.70 | 33 | 23.08 |
| 3-4 days a week | 12 | 2.30 | 6 | 4.20 |
| 5 days or more a week | 3 | 0.57 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Fishing experience | n | \% | n | \% |
| 1 year or less | 24 | 5.16 | 5 | 3.91 |
| 2-3 years | 34 | 7.31 | 13 | 10.16 |
| 4-5 years | 40 | 8.60 | 22 | 17.19 |
| 6-10 years | 63 | 13.55 | 18 | 14.06 |
| 11-20 years | 93 | 20.00 | 36 | 28.13 |
| 21-39 years | 119 | 25.59 | 24 | 18.75 |
| 40 years or more | 92 | 19.78 | 10 | 7.81 |
| Fishing location | n | \% | n | \% |
| Shore | 124 | 26.67 | 51 | 40.16 |
| Both but usually shore | 53 | 11.40 |  |  |
| Both equally | 34 | 7.31 |  |  |
| Both but usually boat | 83 | 17.85 |  |  |
| Kayak |  |  | 31 | 24.41 |
| Boat | 171 | 36.77 | 38 | 29.92 |
| Other |  |  | 7 | 5.51 |
| Fishing method | n | \%^ | n | \% |
| Drop/crab nets | 372 | 79.49 |  |  |
| Scoop nets | 276 | 58.97 |  |  |
| Catch by hand by diving/snorkelling/wading | 93 | 19.87 |  |  |
| Crab traps | 3 | 0.64 |  |  |
| Wire hook | 5 | 1.07 |  |  |
| Bait |  |  | 30 | 23.08 |
| Lures (including soft plastics) |  |  | 80 | 61.54 |
| Bait and lures |  |  | 18 | 13.85 |
| Other |  |  | 2 | 1.54 |
| Skill level | n | \% | n | \% |
| Beginner (novice) | 57 | 12.28 | 13 | 10.16 |
| Intermediate | 235 | 50.65 | 74 | 57.81 |
| Expert | 172 | 37.07 | 41 | 32.03 |

[^0]Table S1.2.3. Percentage number of times a salient motivation for (a) Blue Swimmer Crab and (b) Black Bream fishing was selected from the closed-question online survey. Percentages given for all fishers targeting the species (overall), for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and allocated to a fisher group. Values in both (a) and (b) shaded separately, with values in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. Note respondents were able to select as many motivations as they deemed appropriate. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries or fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. In this and other tables, average responses from Black Bream fishers utilising Wilson Inlet and those in fisher group a were not subjected to CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis due to them having very small numbers of respondents. Peel = Peel-Harvey Estuary; Swan = Swan-Canning Estuary; Lesch = Leschenault Estuary; Shark = Shark Bay; Black. = Blackwood River Estuary; Wilson = Wilson Inlet.

| (a) Blue Swimmer Crabs | Fishery |  |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Food | 92 | 93 | 94 | 91 | 86 | 100 | 95 | 96 | 92 | 100 | 90 | 60 |
| Enjoyment of catch | 67 | 71 | 69 | 67 | 71 | 30 | 75 | 70 | 71 | 50 | 64 | 60 |
| Enjoyment of outdoors | 65 | 72 | 67 | 58 | 57 | 50 | 68 | 71 | 71 | 70 | 70 | 20 |
| Pleasure | 65 | 69 | 70 | 61 | 57 | 50 | 84 | 72 | 65 | 50 | 59 | 40 |
| Time with family | 51 | 57 | 47 | 52 | 57 | 30 | 67 | 56 | 41 | 20 | 51 | 60 |
| Time with friends | 48 | 51 | 56 | 36 | 43 | 20 | 54 | 58 | 45 | 30 | 45 | 0 |
|  | F group | $a$ | $a$ | a | $a$ | a | b | b | $b$ | $a$ | $b$ | c |


| (b) Black Bream | Fishery |  |  |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other | a | b | c | d | e |
| Sport / Challenge | 81 | 83 | 88 | 83 | 100 | 77 | 100 | 67 | 83 | 69 | 100 |
| Enjoyment of outdoors | 67 | 72 | 50 | 65 | 100 | 80 | 100 | 67 | 67 | 73 | 66 |
| Pleasure | 64 | 56 | 56 | 60 | 100 | 83 | 100 | 67 | 67 | 73 | 54 |
| Relaxation | 63 | 56 | 63 | 62 | 100 | 70 | 0 | 67 | 50 | 71 | 51 |
| Enjoyment of catching a big fish | 58 | 56 | 50 | 57 | 100 | 67 | 100 | 100 | 67 | 59 | 54 |
| Time with friends/family | 39 | 33 | 44 | 40 | 100 | 37 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 47 | 26 |
| Food | 15 | 6 | 19 | 14 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 19 | 6 |
| Easy access to boat ramp and fishing sites | 12 | 17 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 14 | 9 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $a$ |  | $a$ |  | a | a | a | $a$ |

Table S1.2.4. Average rating (X) and standard error (SE) from -3 to +3 for each salient motivation for (a) Blue Swimmer Crab and (b) Black Bream fishing provided in the closed-question online survey. Average rating values in both (a) and (b) shaded separately, with values in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries or fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| (a) Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  |  |  |  | Fis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Fisher | grou |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ove |  | Pee |  | Sw |  | Lesc |  | Sha |  | a |  | b |  | c |  | d |  | e |  | f |  |  |  |
|  | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE |
| Catching enough crabs to eat | 1.89 | 0.06 | 1.98 | 0.08 | 1.89 | 0.10 | 1.90 | 0.26 | 2.50 | 0.30 | 2.20 | 0.47 | 2.04 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.11 | 2.00 | 0.18 | 2.11 | 0.29 | 1.83 | 0.19 | 1.00 | 1.11 |
| Catching big crabs | 1.89 | 0.05 | 1.86 | 0.07 | 1.96 | 0.09 | 2.11 | 0.18 | 2.40 | 0.32 | 2.00 | 0.63 | 2.12 | 0.14 | 1.86 | 0.11 | 1.98 | 0.19 | 2.38 | 0.24 | 1.77 | 0.17 | 1.00 | 0.96 |
| Being with friends/family is enough | 1.52 | 0.06 | 1.59 | 0.08 | 1.46 | 0.10 | 0.78 | 0.33 | 1.33 | 0.20 | 2.00 | 0.49 | 1.46 | 0.16 | 1.50 | 0.11 | 1.08 | 0.24 | 1.57 | 0.40 | 1.64 | 0.15 | 1.75 | 0.39 |
| Being outdoors is enough | 1.44 | 0.06 | 1.46 | 0.09 | 1.31 | 0.10 | 0.96 | ${ }^{0.32}$ | 0.40 | 0.54 | 2.14 | ${ }^{0.50}$ | 1.32 | 0.14 | 1.35 | 0.12 | 1.36 | ${ }^{0.24}$ | 1.11 | 0.40 | 1.64 | 0.13 | 2.00 | ${ }^{0.58}$ |
| Catching as many crabs as I am legally allowed to | 0.43 | 0.09 | 0.64 | 0.12 | 0.37 | 0.14 | 0.19 | 0.34 | -0.17 | 0.76 | 1.25 | 0.77 | 0.52 | 0.25 | 0.35 | 0.16 | 0.62 | 0.29 | 0.60 | 0.76 | 0.13 | 0.24 | -1.67 | 0.62 |
| Catching some crabs | -0.57 | 0.09 | -0.52 | 0.13 | -0.32 | 0.15 | -0.77 | 0.35 | -0.83 | 0.85 | -1.25 | 0.86 | -0.64 | 0.28 | -0.41 | 0.17 | -0.62 | 0.32 | -1.22 | 0.74 | -0.39 | 0.26 | -2.20 | 0.73 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  |  | a |  | a |  | a |  | a |  | a |  | $b$ |  | $b$ |  |  |  | $b$ |  | b |  |  |  |


| (b) Black Bream |  |  |  |  |  |  | ishery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Fisher | roup |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ove |  | Blac |  | Pe |  | Swa |  | Wils |  |  |  | a |  | b |  | c |  | d |  | e |  |
|  | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE | X | SE |
| Catching a big bream (over 30 cm ) | 2.33 | 0.13 | 2.53 | 0.36 | 2.92 | 0.08 | 2.40 | 0.15 | -2.00 |  | 2.08 | 0.29 | 3.00 |  | 3.00 | 0.00 | 2.60 | 0.24 | 2.37 | 0.16 | 2.24 | 0.28 |
| Having a relaxing day | 1.70 | 0.15 | 1.15 | 0.80 | 2.07 | 0.29 | 1.78 | 0.15 | 2.00 |  | 1.80 | 0.31 |  |  | 0.33 | 1.76 | 1.20 | 0.49 | 2.09 | 0.14 | 1.39 | 0.34 |
| Catching a legal sized bream ( 25 cm ) | 1.64 | 0.15 | 2.06 | 0.30 | 2.00 | 0.27 | 1.67 | 0.22 | 1.00 |  | 1.33 | 0.36 | -2.00 |  | 1.67 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.59 | 0.20 | 1.88 | 0.34 |
| Being outdoors is enough | 1.44 | 0.16 | 0.44 | 0.69 | 2.36 | 0.28 | 1.57 | 0.15 | 3.00 |  | 1.57 | 0.29 | 2.00 |  | -0.33 | 1.33 | 1.80 | 0.37 | 1.94 | 0.14 | 1.08 | 0.37 |
| Catching a bream no matter the size | 1.08 | 0.19 | -0.38 | 0.74 | 2.07 | 0.28 | 1.31 | 0.24 | 3.00 |  | 0.88 | 0.32 | -3.00 |  | 1.33 | 0.88 | 0.33 | 0.56 | 1.17 | 0.25 | 1.74 | 0.32 |
| Being with friends/family is enough | 1.07 | 0.21 | 0.58 | 0.79 | 1.44 | 0.73 | 1.18 | 0.22 | 2.00 |  | 1.15 | 0.42 |  |  | -3.00 |  | 2.25 | 0.48 | 1.27 | 0.24 | 1.17 | 0.49 |
| Good weather conditions | 0.63 | 0.19 | 0.58 | 0.72 | 1.57 | 0.65 | 0.55 | 0.25 | -1.00 |  | 0.73 | 0.34 | -2.00 |  | 0.67 | 1.20 | -0.25 | 0.75 | 0.96 | 0.24 | 0.38 | 0.41 |
| Catching as many bream as I am legally allowed to | -0.94 | 0.23 | 0.57 | 0.69 | -0.30 | 0.70 | -1.50 | 0.29 | -3.00 |  | -0.83 | 0.42 | -3.00 |  | 0.00 | 1.73 | -1.25 | 0.25 | -1.30 | 0.31 | -0.42 | 0.49 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  |  | a |  | $b$ |  | c |  | c |  |  |  |  |  | a |  |  | $a$ | a |  | a |  |

Table S1.2.5. Percentage number of times (a) Blue Swimmer Crab and (b) Black Bream fishers eat, release and give away legal-sized individuals that they catch. Percentages given for all fishers targeting the species (overall), for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and allocated to a fisher group. Values in both (a) and (b) shaded separately, with values in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries or fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| (a) Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  | Fishery |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eat them | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Always | 91 | 93 | 92 | 90 | 100 | 80 | 95 | 96 | 90 | 90 | 84 | 83 |
| Sometimes | 8 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 10 | 14 | 0 |
| Never | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 17 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | $a$ | a |  | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | c |
| Release after capture |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Always | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 20 |
| Sometimes | 68 | 69 | 67 | 55 | 67 | 60 | 54 | 68 | 69 | 78 | 78 | 80 |
| Never | 31 | 29 | 33 | 45 | 33 | 40 | 40 | 32 | 31 | 11 | 19 | 0 |
| CLUSTE | F group | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  | a | a | $a$ | a | $b$ | b | $b$ |
| Give away |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Always | 8 | 7 | 9 | 15 | 0 | 20 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| Sometimes | 75 | 73 | 76 | 55 | 100 | 60 | 79 | 76 | 78 | 60 | 70 | 83 |
| Never | 18 | 20 | 16 | 30 | 0 | 20 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 40 | 22 | 17 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  | a | b | $b$ | $b$ | c | $b$ | $b$ |


| (b) Black Bream | Fishery |  |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eat them Overall | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other | a | b | c | d | e |
| Always 9 | 9 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 12 | 0 |
| Sometimes | 45 | 8 | 30 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 40 | 9 |
| Never 64 | 45 | 83 | 69 | 100 | 54 | 100 | 100 | 33 | 48 | 91 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  | a | $b$ | $b$ | a |
| Release after capture |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Always 76 | 83 | 83 | 76 | 100 | 67 | 100 | 100 | 33 | 66 | 94 |
| Sometimes | 17 | 17 | 22 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 32 | 6 |
| Never 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | a | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  | a | c | $b$ | $a$ |
| Give away |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Always 2 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 3 |
| Sometimes 13 | 18 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 6 |
| Never 85 | 82 | 92 | 91 | 100 | 69 | 100 | 100 | 83 | 79 | 91 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | a | $a$ | $a$ |  | a |  | a | a | a | $a$ |

Table S1.2.6. Percentage number of times (a) Blue Swimmer Crab and (b) Black Bream fishers catch, fewer target individuals than allowed (i.e. the bag limit), the number allows, more than allowed and multiple options. Percentages given for all fishers targeting the species (overall), for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and allocated to a fisher group. Values in both (a) and (b) shaded separately, with values in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries or fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.



## As many fish as the limit allows

| Always | 4 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 3 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sometimes | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Never | 85 | 83 | 100 | 82 | 100 | 85 |  | 100 | 67 | 83 | 81 | 94 |  |
| Don't know | 10 | 8 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 15 |  | 0 | 33 | 17 | 14 | 3 |  |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  |

## More fish than allowed

| Always | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sometimes | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Never | 99 | 100 | 100 | 98 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-S |  | $a$ | a | $a$ |  | a |  | $a$ | a | $a$ | a |
| All of the above depending on the day |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Always | 1 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| Sometimes | 14 | 18 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 16 | 9 |
| Never | 74 | 73 | 82 | 67 | 100 | 85 | 100 | 67 | 50 | 70 | 89 |
| Don't know | 11 | 9 | 9 | 13 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 14 | 3 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  | $a$ | $b$ | a | $a$ |

Table S1.2.7. Perceived importance of (a) Blue Swimmer Crab and (b) Black Bream fishing to fishers that target those species and the percentage of fishers that would undertake different substitute activities if their target species could no longer be fished in the estuary they fish most regularly in. Percentages given for all fishers targeting the species (overall), for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and allocated to a fisher group. Values in both (a) and (b) shaded separately, with values in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries or fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.


## If crabbing was not available in the estuary where you fish most often, what would you most likely do instead?

| Fish for Blue Swimmer <br> Crabs elsewhere | 58 | 60 | 62 | 42 | 67 |  | 67 | 65 | 54 | 59 | 70 | 53 | 50 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Fish a different species <br> in the same estuary | 19 | 20 | 17 | 32 | 17 |  | 11 | 15 | 20 | 17 | 20 | 25 | 0 |
| Do a different water- <br> based outdoor activity | 15 | 14 | 14 | 16 | 17 |  | 22 | 15 | 22 | 9 | 0 | 10 | 33 |
| Take on a different <br> land-based outdoor <br> activity | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 4 | 2 | 9 | 10 | 4 | 17 |
| Loss of the fishery will <br> not affect me | 4 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 0 |  | 0 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  |


| (b) Black Bream | Fishery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall |  | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilso <br> n | Othe <br> r |  | a | b | c | d | e |


| Compared to other types of fishing, how important is bream fishing to you? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Much more important | 23 | 8 | 27 | 22 | 100 | 26 | 100 | 100 | 33 | 22 | 74 |
| More important | 30 | 17 | 27 | 35 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 29 | 14 |
| The same importance | 43 | 58 | 45 | 42 | 0 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 42 | 11 |
| Less important | 3 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Much less important | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ |  | $b$ |  | $b$ | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |

## Compared to other types of outdoor recreation, how important is bream fishing to you?

| Much more important | 44 | 58 | 55 | 38 | 100 | 44 |  | 100 | 67 | 33 | 24 | 77 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| More important | 37 |  | 17 | 18 | 42 | 0 | 44 |  | 0 | 33 | 33 | 49 | 20 |
| The same importance | 12 |  | 0 | 18 | 16 | 0 | 7 |  | 0 | 0 | 33 | 15 | 3 |
| Less important | 4 |  | 17 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 4 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| Much less important | 3 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  |  |


| Fish for Black Bream elsewhere | 63 | 58 | 82 | 67 | 0 | 50 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 48 | 86 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fish a different species in the same estuary | 30 | 33 | 9 | 27 | 100 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 43 | 11 |
| Take on a different land-based outdoor activity | 4 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 3 |
| Do a different waterbased outdoor activity | 3 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 2 | 0 |
| Loss of the fishery will not affect me | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $b$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  | $a$ | $b$ | b | a |



Figure S1.2.1. Dendrogram derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the five fisher characteristics of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers. Samples joined horizontal red line represent fishers that were shown by SIMPROF to have statistically similar fisher characteristics ( $P>0.01$ ), but to be significantly different from all those fishers in other fisher groups ( $P<0.01$ ).


Figure S1.2.2. Dendrogram derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the seven fisher characteristics of Black Bream fishers. Samples joined by dashed horizontal red line represent fishers that were shown by SIMPROF to have statistically similar fisher characteristics ( $P>0.01$ ), but to be significantly different from all those fishers in other fisher groups ( $P<0.01$ ) .


Figure S1.2.3. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the motivations for fishing for ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}$ ) Blue Swimmer Crabs and ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}$ ) Black Bream by fisher operating in a particular ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ ) fishery and (c,d) belonging to a different fisher group (see Figures 1.2.2-1.2.5; Table 1.2.1). The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.2.4. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the motivation ratings for fishing for (a,c) Blue Swimmer Crabs and (b,d) Black Bream by fisher operating in a particular (a,b) fishery and ( $\mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d}$ ) belonging to a different fisher group (see Figures 1.2.2-1.2.5; Table 1.2.1). The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.2.5. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the fate of legal-sized Blue Swimmer Crabs (i.e. a,b = eaten; c,d = released after capture and e,f = given away) after capture by fishers operating in a particular ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}$ ) fishery and ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{f}$ ) belonging to a different fisher groups. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.2.6. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the fate of legal-sized Blue Swimmer Crabs (i.e. a,b = eaten; c,d = released after capture and e,f = given away) after capture by fishers operating in a particular ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}$ ) fishery and (b,d,f) belonging to a different fisher groups. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.2.7. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis on how often Blue Swimmer Crab fishers in a particular (a,c,e) fishery and (b,d,f) belonging to a different fisher groups obtain different sized catches. (a,b) Catch fewer crabs than allowed; (c,d) As many crabs as the limit allows; (e,f) More crabs than allowed; (e,f) All of the above depending on the day. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.
(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

(f)

(g)

(h)


Figure S1.2.8. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis on how often Black Bream fishers in a particular ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}$ ) fishery and ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{f}$ ) belonging to a different fisher groups obtain different sized catches. (a,b) Catch fewer fish than allowed; (c,d) As many fish as the limit allows; (e,f) More fish than allowed; (e,f) All of the above depending on the day. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.2.9. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis on the importance of Blue Swimmer Crab fishing for fishers operating in a particular ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}$ ) fishery and ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{f}$ ) belonging to a different fisher group. (a,b) compared to other types of fishing, how important is crabbing to you; (c,d) compared to other types of outdoor recreation, how important is crabbing to you; (e,f) if crabbing was not available in the estuary where you fish most often, what would you most likely do instead. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.
(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

(f)


Figure S1.2.10. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis on the importance of Black Bream fishing for fishers operating in a particular ( $a, c, e$ ) fishery and ( $b, \mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{f}$ ) belonging to a different fisher group. (a,b) compared to other types of fishing, how important is bream fishing to you; (c,d) compared to other types of outdoor recreation, how important is bream fishing to you; (e,f) if bream fishing was not available in the estuary where you fish most often, what would you most likely do instead. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.

### 1.4. Selecting from the fisheries managers tool-box: recreational and commercial fishers' views of stock enhancement and other management options

Table S1.4.1. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that agreed, disagreed or were unsure about the effects of potential issues on their chosen fishery. Percentages given for all fishers (overall; see also Figure 1.4.1a) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. Issues ranked by the percentage of respondents who agreed. Peel = PeelHarvey Estuary; Swan = Swan-Canning Estuary; Lesch. = Leschenault Estuary; Shark = Shark Bay.


Table S1.4.2. Percentage of recreational Black Bream fishers that agreed, disagreed or were unsure about the effects of potential issues on their chosen fishery. Percentages given for all fishers (overall; see also Figure 1.4.1b) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTERSIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. Issues ranked by the percentage of respondents who agreed. Black = Blackwood River Estuary; Peel = Peel-Harvey Estuary; Swan = Swan-Canning Estuary; Wilson = Wilson Inlet. Other = other estuaries, i.e. not one of the system named, e.g. Beaufort Inlet or Stokes Inlet.

| Black Bream | Fishery |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other |
| Taking of undersized fish |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 31 | 79 | 86 | 100 | 46 |
| Unsure 23 | 46 | 14 | 12 | 0 | 43 |
| Disagree 7 | 23 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 11 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $b$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |
| Lack of education |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 54 | 79 | 71 | 0 | 61 |
| Unsure 20 | 31 | 21 | 15 | 100 | 21 |
| Disagree 13 | 15 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 18 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | a |  | $a$ |
| Fishing pressure and overfishing |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 69 | 77 | 73 | 0 | 46 |
| Unsure 19 | 23 | 15 | 17 | 100 | 21 |
| Disagree 15 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 0 | 32 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |
| Exceeding the bag limit |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 46 | 64 | 66 | 100 | 39 |
| Unsure 33 | 38 | 36 | 29 | 0 | 39 |
| Disagree 10 | 15 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 21 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  | c |

## Pollution

| Agree | 49 | 31 | 71 | 51 | 0 | 43 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unsure | 29 | 31 | 14 | 36 | 100 | 18 |
| Disagree | 23 | 38 | 14 | 14 | 0 | 39 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $b$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |
| Commercial fishing |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 46 | 69 | 71 | 44 | 0 | 29 |
| Unsure | 39 | 23 | 14 | 46 | 0 | 46 |
| Disagree | 15 | 8 | 14 | 10 | 100 | 25 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | b |  | $b$ |

## Poor management

| Agree | 43 |  | 62 | 64 | 44 | 0 | 25 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 13 |  | 8 | 7 | 15 | 0 | 14 |
| Disagree | 43 |  | 31 | 29 | 41 | 100 | 61 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  |  |  |  |

## Recreational fishing

| Agree | 43 |  | 23 | 43 | 47 | 0 | 43 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 28 |  | 23 | 50 | 25 | 0 | 25 |
| Disagree | 30 |  | 54 | 7 | 27 | 100 | 32 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |

Climate change

| Agree | 19 |  | 31 | 14 | 19 | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 56 |  | 46 | 57 | 58 | 100 |
| Disagree | 25 |  | 23 | 29 | 24 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ |  | 29 |

## There are no issues affecting the fishery

| Agree | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 12 |  | 23 | 7 | 10 | 0 |
| Disagree | 85 | 77 | 93 | 90 | 100 | 75 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |

Table S1.4.3. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that considered that measures of their catches and fishing trips had changed. Percentages given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| Blue Swimmer Crabs | Overall |  | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crab size | 5 |  | 5 | 5 | 10 | 0 |
| Increased | 39 |  | 38 | 42 | 20 | 0 |
| Not changed | 56 |  | 57 | 53 | 70 | 100 |
| Decreased | CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crab abundance | 6 |  | 7 | 4 | 10 | 0 |
| Increased | 25 |  | 23 | 27 | 10 | 17 |
| Not changed | 69 |  | 70 | 69 | 80 | 83 |
| Decreased | CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |
| Cland |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Abundance of other species caught |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Increased | 10 | 7 | 11 | 10 | 0 |  |
| Not changed | 56 |  | 60 | 52 | 50 | 67 |
| Decreased | 34 |  | 34 | 37 | 40 | 33 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ |  |

## Number of people fishing

| Increased | 81 |  | 84 | 82 | 90 |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not changed | 17 |  | 15 | 16 | 5 |
| Decreased | 2 |  | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ | 0 |

## Number of sites I fish regularly

| Increased | 18 |  | 19 | 23 | 15 | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not changed | 56 |  | 54 | 51 | 60 | 67 |
| Decreased | 26 |  | 27 | 25 | 25 | 33 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  |

## Fishing depth

| Increased | 23 |  | 22 | 26 | 15 | 33 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not changed | 75 |  | 75 | 72 | 80 | 67 |
| Decreased | 3 |  | 3 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |  |

## Time spent fishing

| Increased | 59 |  | 62 | 60 | 75 | 100 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not changed | 30 |  | 28 | 27 | 25 | 0 |
| Decreased | 11 |  | 10 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |

Distance travelled

| Increased | 40 |  | 44 | 38 | 50 |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not changed | 58 |  | 56 | 59 | 50 |
| Decreased | 2 |  | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | 0 |

Table S1.4.4. Percentage of recreational Black Bream fishers that considered that measures of their catches and fishing trips had changed. Percentages given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| Black Bream | Fishery |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other |
| Black Bream size |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increased 5 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Not changed 35 | 6 | 60 | 14 | 100 | 33 |
| Decreased 60 | 81 | 37 | 86 | 0 | 61 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $b$ | a |  | $b$ |
| Black Bream abundance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increased 13 | 6 | 14 | 16 | 100 | 7 |
| Not changed 31 | 13 | 7 | 30 | 0 | 53 |
| Decreased 56 | 81 | 79 | 56 | 0 | 37 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | B |
| Abundance of other species caught |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increased 21 | 25 | 21 | 14 | 100 | 21 |
| Not changed 52 | 69 | 52 | 43 | 0 | 50 |
| Decreased $\quad 27$ | 6 | 28 | 43 | 0 | 29 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ |  | C |
| Number of people fishing |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increased | 25 | 55 | 64 | 100 | 78 |
| Not changed 32 | 56 | 41 | 36 | 0 | 19 |
| Decreased | 19 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ |  | C |
| Number of sites I fish regularly |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increased 38 | 31 | 34 | 29 | 0 | 45 |
| Not changed 48 | 38 | 55 | 64 | 100 | 41 |
| Decreased 14 | 31 | 10 | 7 | 0 | 14 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |
| Distance travelled |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increased 46 | 60 | 21 | 50 | 0 | 55 |
| Not changed | 40 | 75 | 50 | 100 | 45 |
| Decreased 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $b$ | a |  | $b$ |

Table S1.4.5. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that agreed, disagreed or were unsure about aspects of crab fishery management. Percentages given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| Blue Swimmer Crabs |  | Fishery |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark |
| The fishery is well managed |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 25 | 36 | 0 | 17 |
| Unsure | 30 | 30 | 50 | 33 |
| Disagree 30 | 45 | 34 | 50 | 50 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | a | $b$ | c | $a$ |
| Stocks need to be better managed |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 70 | 66 | 85 | 83 |
| Unsure | 21 | 24 | 15 | 17 |
| Disagree $\quad 9$ | 8 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | a | $b$ | $b$ |
| I am happy with the number of crabs |  |  |  |  |
| Agree $\quad 34$ | 33 | 38 | 33 | 33 |
| Unsure | 19 | 18 | 11 | 0 |
| Disagree | 49 | 44 | 56 | 67 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | a | a | $b$ |
| I am happy with the size of crabs |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 33 | 47 | 48 | 0 |
| Unsure | 12 | 11 | 4 | 17 |
| Disagree | 56 | 41 | 48 | 83 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | a | $a$ | $b$ |

Table S1.4.6. Percentage of recreational Black Bream that fishers agreed, disagreed or were unsure about aspects of crab fishery management. Percentages given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| Black Bream | Overall |  | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |       <br> The fishery is well managed      <br> Agree 14  8 7 16 | 40 |  | 31 | 14 | 47 | 0 |
| Unsure | 46 |  | 62 | 79 | 38 | 0 | 49 |
| Disagree | CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  | $b$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Stocks need to be better managed

| Agree | 74 |  | 85 | 86 | 74 | 0 | 64 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 24 |  | 15 | 14 | 24 | 100 | 7 |
| Disagree | 3 |  | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 29 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |  |

I am happy with the number of Black Bream

| Agree | 26 |  | 15 | 14 | 19 | 100 | 50 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 12 |  | 23 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 43 |
| Disagree | 61 |  | 62 | 86 | 66 | 0 | 7 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |  |

I am happy with the size of Black Bream

| Agree | 22 |  | 8 | 14 | 12 | 100 | 48 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unsure | 15 |  | 23 | 21 | 16 | 0 | 45 |
| Disagree | 63 |  | 69 | 64 | 72 | 0 | 7 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $b$ |  |

Table S1.4.7. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the nine options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Blue Swimmer Crab fisheries in south-western Australia. Mean rating values (very unacceptable $=1$ to very acceptable $=5$ ) are also provided. Percentages and means are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries and fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. Management options ordered by mean rating (i.e. acceptability).

| Blue Swimmer Crabs |  | Fishery |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Minimum size limit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 84 | 84 | 84 | 81 | 50 | 100 | 84 | 82 | 84 | 80 | 88 | 100 |
| Acceptable | 10 | 9 | 8 | 19 | 33 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 14 | 20 | 11 | 0 |
| Neutral | 3 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Unacceptable | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Average | 4.72 | 4.71 | 4.72 | 4.81 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 4.55 | 4.65 | 4.82 | 4.80 | 4.87 | 5.00 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $b$ | c | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | a |
| Temporal closure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 63 | 69 | 60 | 48 | 33 | 90 | 67 | 57 | 61 | 60 | 80 | 50 |
| Acceptable | 28 | 23 | 29 | 48 | 33 | 10 | 25 | 33 | 24 | 30 | 15 | 33 |
| Neutral | 5 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 3 | 17 |
| Unacceptable | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Average | 4.46 | 4.52 | 4.41 | 4.41 | 3.50 | 4.90 | 4.47 | 4.39 | 4.37 | 4.50 | 4.69 | 4.33 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $b$ | c | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | a | c |
| Fisher surveillance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 66 | 71 | 66 | 48 | 33 | 80 | 67 | 65 | 79 | 30 | 69 | 67 |
| Acceptable | 21 | 19 | 19 | 26 | 33 | 0 | 26 | 19 | 13 | 70 | 20 | 17 |
| Neutral | 7 | 3 | 9 | 15 | 17 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 17 |
| Unacceptable | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 3 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 17 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Average | 4.44 | 4.50 | 4.41 | 4.04 | 3.67 | 4.50 | 4.53 | 4.37 | 4.69 | 4.30 | 4.52 | 4.50 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $b$ | $b$ | a | a | a | $a$ | a | a | $a$ |
| Fisher education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 58 | 58 | 58 | 48 | 17 | 70 | 63 | 49 | 67 | 60 | 63 | 83 |
| Acceptable | 28 | 29 | 29 | 33 | 50 | 10 | 23 | 36 | 18 | 30 | 24 | 0 |
| Neutral | 10 | 7 | 8 | 19 | 17 | 20 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 17 |
| Unacceptable | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Average | 4.38 | 4.39 | 4.39 | 4.30 | 3.67 | 4.50 | 4.42 | 4.26 | 4.47 | 4.50 | 4.48 | 4.67 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $b$ | c | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | a |
| Stock enhancement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 60 | 59 | 64 | 59 | 50 | 60 | 58 | 64 | 57 | 50 | 56 | 67 |
| Acceptable | 21 | 22 | 21 | 11 | 17 | 10 | 26 | 21 | 12 | 20 | 28 | 0 |
| Neutral | 14 | 13 | 10 | 22 | 17 | 20 | 12 | 10 | 18 | 30 | 11 | 33 |
| Unacceptable | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 3 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Average | 4.33 | 4.32 | 4.42 | 4.15 | 4.00 | 4.20 | 4.37 | 4.40 | 4.04 | 4.20 | 4.32 | 4.33 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | a | a | a | a | a | a | a | a | a |
| Bag limit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 59 | 61 | 61 | 56 | 33 | 90 | 54 | 60 | 53 | 40 | 68 | 67 |
| Acceptable | 26 | 22 | 25 | 37 | 33 | 10 | 28 | 23 | 20 | 30 | 25 | 33 |
| Neutral | 8 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 16 | 10 | 3 | 0 |
| Unacceptable | 5 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 20 | 3 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 3 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Average | 4.32 | 4.32 | 4.39 | 4.33 | 3.67 | 4.90 | 4.25 | 4.30 | 4.08 | 3.90 | 4.56 | 4.67 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | a | $b$ | c | a | $b$ | $b$ | C | d | $b$ | $b$ |
| Gear restriction |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 38 | 38 | 43 | 33 | 17 | 60 | 33 | 31 | 29 | 30 | 44 | 67 |
| Acceptable | 28 | 27 | 27 | 33 | 67 | 10 | 30 | 35 | 29 | 30 | 28 | 17 |
| Neutral | 17 | 19 | 12 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 18 | 22 | 10 | 17 | 17 |
| Unacceptable | 11 | 12 | 10 | 15 | 17 | 10 | 16 | 10 | 12 | 30 | 8 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 6 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 20 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Average | 3.81 | 3.80 | 3.88 | 3.70 | 3.83 | 3.80 | 3.63 | 3.77 | 3.57 | 3.60 | 4.03 | 4.50 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a | $b$ | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ |

Table S1.4.7 continued. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the nine options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Blue Swimmer Crab fisheries in south-western Australia. Mean rating values (very unacceptable $=1$ to very acceptable $=5$ ) are also provided. Percentages and means are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries and fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. Management options ordered by mean rating (i.e. acceptability).

| Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  | Fishery |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Spatial closure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 33 | 30 | 35 | 33 | 33 | 30 | 32 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 51 | 33 |
| Acceptable | 27 | 26 | 29 | 22 | 17 | 20 | 21 | 33 | 24 | 50 | 24 | 50 |
| Neutral | 19 | 20 | 18 | 15 | 17 | 20 | 20 | 17 | 24 | 20 | 16 | 17 |
| Unacceptable | 12 | 14 | 10 | 19 | 33 | 20 | 14 | 13 | 6 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 8 | 11 | 8 | 11 | 0 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Average | 3.66 | 3.51 | 3.72 | 3.48 | 3.50 | 3.40 | 3.46 | 3.55 | 3.43 | 4.10 | 4.16 | 4.17 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | a |
| Maximum size limit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 15 | 13 | 19 | 19 | 0 | 10 | 18 | 16 | 10 | 20 | 17 | 17 |
| Acceptable | 9 | 7 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 30 | 16 | 0 |
| Neutral | 32 | 32 | 27 | 33 | 67 | 20 | 27 | 30 | 35 | 20 | 36 | 67 |
| Unacceptable | 25 | 27 | 23 | 19 | 33 | 30 | 25 | 28 | 18 | 20 | 25 | 0 |
| Very unacceptable | 20 | 22 | 21 | 26 | 0 | 30 | 24 | 21 | 27 | 10 | 5 | 17 |
| Average | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.84 | 2.70 | 2.67 | 2.40 | 2.69 | 2.66 | 2.59 | 3.30 | 3.15 | 3.00 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | a | $b$ | a | a | a | a | a | $a$ | $b$ |

Table S1.4.8. Percentage of recreational Black Bream fishers that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the ten options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Black Bream fisheries in south-western Australia. Mean rating values (very unacceptable $=1$ to very acceptable $=5$ ) are also provided. Percentages and means are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below for fisheries only. Those with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. No tested was done on fishery groups due to the low number of responses from fishers in some groups. Management options ordered by mean rating (i.e. acceptability).


## Bag limit

| Very acceptable | 58 |  | 50 | 36 | 65 | 0 | 59 | 0 | 100 | 50 | 61 | 60 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Acceptable | 17 | 17 | 21 | 14 | 0 | 21 | 100 | 0 | 50 | 17 | 9 |  |
| Neutral | 11 |  | 33 | 0 | 9 | 100 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 11 |
| Unacceptable | 6 |  | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 11 |
| Very unacceptable | 9 |  | 0 | 43 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 9 |
| Average | $\mathbf{4 . 0 8}$ |  | $\mathbf{4 . 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 2 8}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 0 0}$ |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  |  | b | a | $c$ |  | $c$ |  |  |  |  |  |

Table S1.4.8 continued. Percentage of recreational Black Bream fishers that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the ten options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Black Bream fisheries in south-western Australia. Mean rating values (very unacceptable $=1$ to very acceptable $=5$ ) are also provided. Percentages and means are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below for fisheries only. Those with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different. No tested was done on fishery groups due to the low number of responses from fishers in some groups. Management options ordered by mean rating (i.e. acceptability).

| Black Bream |  | Fishery |  |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Spatial closure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 8 | 17 | 21 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 11 |
| Acceptable | 28 | 17 | 36 | 26 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 31 | 26 |
| Neutral | 27 | 25 | 14 | 33 | 100 | 17 | 100 | 33 | 0 | 25 | 29 |
| Unacceptable | 16 | 25 | 7 | 16 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 33 | 17 | 20 | 9 |
| Very unacceptable | 21 | 17 | 21 | 18 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 33 | 50 | 15 | 26 |
| Average | 2.86 | 2.92 | 3.29 | 2.89 | 3.00 | 2.55 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.17 | 2.97 | 2.89 |
| Temporal closure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 13 | 42 | 36 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 15 | 14 |
| Acceptable | 17 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 24 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 14 |
| Neutral | 21 | 25 | 21 | 18 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 67 | 50 | 19 | 23 |
| Unacceptable | 24 | 17 | 29 | 28 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 22 | 20 |
| Very unacceptable | 25 | 17 | 14 | 26 | 100 | 28 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 25 | 29 |
| Average | 2.70 | 3.33 | 3.14 | 2.54 | 1.00 | 2.59 | 4.00 | 2.33 | 3.00 | 2.76 | 2.66 |
| Restricting recreational fishing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very acceptable | 4 | 17 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 5 | 3 |
| Acceptable | 16 | 17 | 14 | 16 | 100 | 14 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 20 |
| Neutral | 12 | 8 | 21 | 14 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 3 |
| Unacceptable | 27 | 17 | 21 | 33 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 67 | 33 | 24 | 29 |
| Very unacceptable | 41 | 42 | 43 | 33 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 33 | 50 | 36 | 46 |
| Average | 2.17 | 2.50 | 2.07 | 2.23 | 4.00 | 1.90 | 4.00 | 1.67 | 2.00 | 2.32 | 2.06 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a |  | a |  |  |  |  |  |

Table S1.4.9. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that chose an option about whether management option should change or remain the same. Percentages are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries and fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  | Fishery |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Minimum size limit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increase | 34 | 33 | 37 | 30 | 17 | 11 | 38 | 32 | 23 | 50 | 39 | 67 |
| Remain the same | 65 | 65 | 61 | 65 | 83 | 67 | 63 | 67 | 77 | 50 | 60 | 33 |
| Decrease | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unsure | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ | c | d | $b$ | $d$ |

## Temporal closure

| Increase | 52 | 60 | 47 | 46 | 67 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 40 | 3 | 17 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Remain the same | 40 | 35 | 45 | 42 | 33 | 80 | 81 | 67 | 82 | 40 | 67 | 67 |
| Decrease | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 14 | 24 | 12 | 20 | 28 | 17 |
| Unsure | 5 | 3 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $b$ | b | a | a | a | $b$ | a | c | $b$ | d |

## Fisher surveillance

| Increase | 83 |  | 87 | 82 | 75 | 100 |  | 70 | 86 | 87 | 80 | 70 | 87 | 67 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Remain the same | 13 |  | 9 | 14 | 21 | 0 |  | 20 | 13 | 10 | 18 | 30 | 8 | 33 |
| Decrease | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unsure | 3 |  | 3 | 2 | 4 | 0 |  | 10 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ | $b$ | $a$ |  |

## Fisher education

| Increase | 82 |  | 82 | 85 | 75 | 83 |  | 100 | 88 | 79 | 79 | 70 | 81 | 100 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Remain the same | 14 |  | 14 | 13 | 21 | 0 |  | 0 | 11 | 17 | 15 | 30 | 15 | 0 |
| Decrease | 1 |  | 1 | 2 | 4 | 17 |  | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unsure | 3 |  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ |  |


| Bag limit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Increase | 7 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 40 | 3 | 17 |  |  |
| Remain the same | 71 |  | 72 | 73 | 67 | 67 |  | 80 | 81 | 67 | 82 | 40 | 67 | 67 |
| Decrease | 21 |  | 18 | 24 | 33 | 33 |  | 20 | 14 | 24 | 12 | 20 | 28 | 17 |
| Unsure | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ | $b$ |  | $a$ | $a$ | $c$ | $a$ | $d$ | $c$ | $b$ |  |

Boat limit

| Increase | 12 |  | 13 | 10 | 4 | 0 |  | 20 | 12 | 13 | 10 | 40 | 5 | 33 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Remain the same | 67 |  | 68 | 70 | 67 | 83 |  | 60 | 77 | 69 | 73 | 50 | 55 | 50 |
| Decrease | 19 |  | 18 | 20 | 29 | 17 |  | 20 | 11 | 18 | 15 | 10 | 31 | 17 |
| Unsure | 2 |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $c$ | $b$ | $c$ |  |

Table S1.4.10. Percentage of recreational Black Bream fishers that chose an option about whether management option should change or remain the same. Percentages are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries and fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.


Table S1.4.11. Mean ratings for each stock enhancement belief across (a) belief strength ( 0 ; very unlikely to 6 ; very likely), (b) belief evaluation ( -3 ; very bad to +3 ; very good) and (c) cross-products (belief-based attitude: -18; very likely and very bad to +18 ; very likely and very good) for Blue Swimmer Crab stock enhancement overall and for each fishery and fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with for belief strength and belief evaluation those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest and for the belief-based attitude from dark red to dark blue.

| Blue Swimmer Crabs |  | Fishery |  |  |  | Fisher groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Belief strength (0 to 6) | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Increasing crab numbers | 4.78 | 4.73 | 4.88 | 5.15 | 5.40 | 5.20 | 4.75 | 4.79 | 4.29 | 4.63 | 4.96 | 5.00 |
| More crabs to catch | 4.82 | 4.78 | 4.85 | 5.19 | 5.00 | 5.25 | 4.67 | 4.87 | 4.38 | 4.78 | 4.86 | 4.67 |
| More fishers fishing | 4.54 | 4.59 | 4.38 | 4.81 | 4.67 | 5.14 | 4.42 | 4.43 | 4.69 | 3.90 | 4.77 | 5.40 |
| No change in crab abundance | 2.20 | 2.27 | 2.01 | 1.61 | 1.20 | 1.86 | 2.57 | 2.08 | 2.85 | 3.50 | 1.81 | 2.25 |
| Increasing fishing pressure | 3.05 | 3.09 | 2.83 | 3.17 | 1.50 | 2.38 | 2.87 | 3.14 | 3.34 | 1.88 | 3.18 | 5.00 |
| Environment impact | 2.87 | 2.62 | 2.94 | 2.57 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 2.14 | 3.02 | 2.98 | 3.22 | 3.26 | 3.00 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a | b | a | a | a | a | a | a | a |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belief evaluation (-3 to +3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increasing crab numbers | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.12 | 2.20 | 2.67 | 2.33 | 2.12 | 2.26 | 1.87 | 1.90 | 2.13 | 3.00 |
| More crabs to catch | 2.17 | 2.17 | 2.17 | 2.55 | 2.50 | 2.80 | 2.04 | 2.25 | 2.07 | 2.10 | 2.09 | 1.20 |
| More fishers fishing | -0.55 | -0.77 | -0.35 | 0.60 | 0.50 | 1.14 | -0.44 | -0.55 | -0.86 | 0.29 | -0.69 | -1.20 |
| No change in crab abundance | -1.31 | -1.32 | -1.45 | -1.35 | -2.33 | -2.00 | -1.22 | -1.36 | -0.95 | 0.80 | -1.64 | -2.00 |
| Increasing fishing pressure | -1.50 | -1.46 | -1.70 | -1.26 | -2.33 | -1.67 | -1.44 | -1.47 | -1.49 | -1.11 | -1.67 | -1.60 |
| Environment impact | -1.30 | -1.38 | -1.34 | -0.31 | -2.20 | -0.88 | -1.43 | -1.19 | -1.46 | 0.13 | -1.39 | -1.50 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a | a | a | b | $b$ | b | c | b | d |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belief-based attitude (-18 to +18) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increasing crab numbers | 10.45 | 10.25 | 11.01 | 11.25 | 12.17 | 13.11 | 9.76 | 10.74 | 9.96 | 8.00 | 10.83 | 11.25 |
| More crabs to catch | 10.39 | 10.11 | 10.66 | 13.75 | 13.33 | 11.80 | 9.06 | 10.85 | 10.57 | 10.30 | 9.56 | 4.40 |
| More fishers fishing | -1.18 | -1.85 | -0.30 | 3.60 | 4.17 | 2.86 | 0.44 | -0.76 | -2.81 | 3.00 | -2.86 | -6.40 |
| No change in crab abundance | -1.28 | -1.15 | -1.68 | -1.00 | -1.83 | -0.50 | -1.73 | -1.57 | -1.43 | 4.80 | -1.23 | -4.25 |
| Increasing fishing pressure | -3.41 | -3.46 | -3.52 | -3.63 | -2.83 | -5.83 | -3.12 | -3.40 | -2.82 | 1.67 | -4.31 | -7.00 |
| Environment impact | -2.10 | -2.45 | -2.55 | 1.50 | -1.20 | -2.50 | -1.65 | -2.30 | -2.54 | 2.75 | -2.25 | -3.00 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $b$ | $b$ | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | c | $b$ | d |

Table S1.4.12. Mean ratings for each stock enhancement of belief across (a) belief strength ( 0 ; very unlikely to 6 ; very likely), (b) belief evaluation ( -3 ; very bad to +3 ; very good) and (c) cross-products (belief-based attitude: -18; very likely and very bad to +18; very likely and very good) for Black Bream stock enhancement overall and for each fishery and fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with for belief strength and belief evaluation those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest and for the belief-based attitude from dark red to dark blue.

| Black Bream |  | Fishery |  |  |  |  | Fisher groups |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Belief strength (0 to 6) | Overall | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other | a | b | c | d | e |
| Increasing the number of bream | 5.34 | 5.45 | 5.08 | 5.35 | 5.00 | 5.38 | 4.00 | 6.00 | 5.00 | 5.26 | 5.47 |
| More bream to catch | 5.31 | 5.55 | 5.09 | 5.40 | 4.00 | 5.19 |  | 5.50 | 4.83 | 5.15 | 5.72 |
| Too many Black Bream | 1.08 | 1.20 | 0.67 | 1.11 | 4.00 | 1.04 |  | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.98 | 1.10 |
| Less bream surviving | 1.17 | 1.71 | 0.82 | 1.05 | 3.00 | 1.29 |  | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.57 | 0.60 |
| Increasing fishing pressure | 2.02 | 1.22 | 1.91 | 2.27 | 5.00 | 1.78 | 1.00 | 1.67 | 1.00 | 2.37 | 1.63 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a | b | a |  | a | a | a | a |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belief evaluation (-3 to +3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increasing the number of bream | 2.57 | 2.64 | 2.67 | 2.63 | 2.00 | 2.42 |  | 2.33 | 2.00 | 2.58 | 2.82 |
| More bream to catch | 2.58 | 2.45 | 2.58 | 2.67 | 3.00 | 2.44 | 2.00 | 2.33 | 2.00 | 2.52 | 2.80 |
| Too many Black Bream | 1.44 | 2.56 | 2.27 | 1.46 | 0.00 | 0.59 | -2.00 | 1.67 | 2.00 | 1.07 | 2.19 |
| Less bream surviving | -2.41 | -2.78 | -2.64 | -2.49 | -3.00 | -2.00 | -1.00 | -2.33 | -1.80 | -2.31 | -2.71 |
| Increasing fishing pressure | -1.98 | -2.11 | -2.27 | -2.08 | -1.00 | -1.64 | -2.00 | -2.67 | -1.67 | -1.92 | -2.20 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | a | $b$ | b |  | a | a | a | a |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belief-based attitude (-18 to +18) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increasing the number of bream | 13.54 | 14.82 | 13.58 | 13.84 | 10.00 | 12.54 |  | 14.00 | 8.60 | 13.44 | 15.15 |
| More bream to catch | 13.28 | 14.00 | 12.42 | 13.94 | 12.00 | 12.04 | 0.00 | 11.00 | 10.40 | 12.72 | 15.40 |
| Too many Black Bream | 0.54 | 2.44 | 1.64 | 0.24 | 0.00 | -0.14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.75 | -0.09 | 1.81 |
| Less bream surviving | -1.77 | -4.00 | -2.00 | -1.42 | -9.00 | -1.35 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -1.80 | -2.22 | -1.12 |
| Increasing fishing pressure | -2.84 | -1.11 | -4.91 | -2.94 | -5.00 | -2.28 | -2.00 | -3.67 | -2.33 | -3.38 | -2.13 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $a$ | $b$ | a |  | a | a | a | $a$ |

Table S1.4.13. Percentage of recreational (a) Blue Swimmer Crab and (b) Black Bream fishers that agreed, disagreed or were unsure whether they would continue to fish if the population is restocked. Percentages are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries and fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| (a) Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  | Fishery |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| Agree | 88 | 88 | 87 | 89 | 83 | 100 | 86 | 89 | 82 | 80 | 92 | 50 |
| Unsure | 10 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 17 | 0 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 33 |
| Disagree | 3 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 7 | 17 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | $a$ | a | $b$ | a | a | $a$ | a | a | a | $b$ |


| (b) Black Bream |  | Fishery |  |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Black. | Peel | Swan | Wilson | Other | a | b | c | d | e |
| Agree | 96 | 92 | 93 | 97 | 100 | 97 | 100 | 100 | 83 | 95 | 100 |
| Unsure | 3 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Disagree | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 2 | 0 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ |  | $a$ |  | $a$ | a | a |  |

Table S1.4.14. Percentage of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that chose options related to what they would do if they caught a hatchery-reared crab. Percentages are given for all fishers (overall) and for those fishers utilising a particular fishery and those belonging to a fisher group. Cells shaded according to the magnitude of their values with those in dark red being the lowest and those in dark green the highest. The CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups assigned are given below. Fisheries and fisher groups with the same letter indicate no significant difference in the percentage contribution across the possible answers, whereas those with different letters are deemed to be different.

| Blue Swimmer Crabs |  | Fishery |  |  |  | Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall | Peel | Swan | Lesch. | Shark | a | b | c | d | e | $f$ | g |
| I would eat it as if it was wild crab |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 84 | 81 | 89 | 95 | 83 | 80 | 88 | 87 | 78 | 70 | 81 | 83 |
| Don't know | 13 | 15 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 12 | 16 | 30 | 16 | 0 |
| Disagree | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 17 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | $a$ | a | a | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ |

I would eat it but would prefer wild crab

| Agree | 28 | 28 | 27 | 29 | 0 |  | 60 | 26 | 25 | 27 | 60 | 29 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 17 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Don't know | 41 | 43 | 41 | 43 | 50 | 30 | 28 | 46 | 41 | 10 | 40 | 33 |
| Disagree | 32 | 29 | 32 | 29 | 50 | 10 | 46 | 29 | 33 | 30 | 31 | 50 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group | $a$ | $a$ | $a$ | $b$ |  | $a$ | $c$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |

I would not eat it myself but would keep it for family/friends

| Agree | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Don't know | 20 | 22 | 19 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 16 | 22 | 30 | 33 | 20 |
| Disagree | 75 | 74 | 77 | 81 | 100 | 100 | 86 | 81 | 73 | 60 | 57 | 80 |
| CLUSTER-SIMPROF group |  | a | a | $b$ | $b$ | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | c | c | $b$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I would release after capture, I don't like aquacultured crabs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agree | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Don't know | 33 | 35 | 25 | 29 | 0 | 20 | 21 | 29 | 45 | 60 | 44 | 20 |
| Disagree | 64 | 61 | 73 | 71 | 100 | 60 | 75 | 70 | 53 | 40 | 51 | 80 |
| CLUSTER-SIMP | ROF group | a | a | $a$ | $b$ | a | a | a | $b$ | $b$ | $b$ | $a$ |



Figure S1.4.1. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers who agree, disagree or were unsure about the effects of potential issues on each fishery (see Table 1.4.1). Potential issues; (a) taking of undersized crabs; (b) overfishing of stocks; (c) exceeding the bag limit; (d) recreational fishing; (e) commercial fishing; (f) lack of education; (g) the closed season is too short; (h) recreational fishing pressure is irrelevant to commercial pressure; (i) pollution; (j) climate change; (k) there are no issues affecting the fishery. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.
(a)

(c)

(e)

(f)
(g)

(i)
(b)

(d)

(h)

(j)


Figure S1.4.2. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Black Bream fishers who agree, disagree or were unsure about the effects of potential issues on each fishery (see Table 1.4.2). Potential issues; (a) taking of undersized fish; (b) lack of education; (c) fishing pressure and overfishing; (d) exceeding the bag limit; (e) pollution; (f) commercial fishing; (g) poor management; (h) recreational fishing; (i) climate change; (j) there are no issues affecting the fishery. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.3. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers considered that parameters around their catches and fishing trips had changed (see Table 1.4.3). Parameters; (a) crab size; (b) crab abundance; (c) abundance of other species caught; (d) number of people fishing; (e) number of sites I fish regularly; (f) fishing depth; (g) time spent fishing; (h) distance travelled. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.4. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Black Bream fishers considered that parameters around their catches and fishing trips had changed (see Table 1.4.4). Parameters; (a) Black Bream size; (b) Black Bream abundance; (c) abundance of other species caught; (d) number of people fishing; (e) number of sites I fish regularly; (f) distance travelled. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.5. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that agreed, disagreed or were unsure about aspects of crab fishery management (see Table 1.4.5). Aspects: (a) the fishery is well managed; (b) stocks need to be better managed; (c) I am happy with the number of crabs; (d) I am happy with the size of crabs. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.6. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Black Bream fishers that agreed, disagreed or were unsure about aspects of crab fishery management (see Table 1.4.5). Aspects: (a) the fishery is well managed; (b) stocks need to be better managed; (c) I am happy with the number of Black Bream; (d) I am happy with the size of Black Bream. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.7. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that utilise each fishery ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}, \mathrm{g}, \mathrm{i}, \mathrm{k}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{o}, \mathrm{q}$ ) and belong to each fisher group ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{f}, \mathrm{h}, \mathrm{j}, \mathrm{l}, \mathrm{n}, \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{r}$ ) that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the nine options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Blue Swimmer Crab fisheries in south-western Australia. Management options: ( $a, b$ ) minimum size limit; ( $c, d$ ) temporal closure; ( $(\mathrm{e}, \mathrm{f})$ fisher surveillance; ( $\mathrm{g}, \mathrm{h}$ ) fisher education; (i,j) stock enhancement; (k,l) bag limit; (m,n) gear restriction; (o,p) spatial closure; (q,r) maximum size limit. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.7 continued. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that utilise each fishery ( $a, c, e, g, i, k, m, o, q$ ) and belong to each fisher group ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{f}, \mathrm{h}, \mathrm{j}, \mathrm{l}, \mathrm{n}, \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{r}$ ) that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the nine options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Blue Swimmer Crab fisheries in south-western Australia. Management options: ( $a, b$ ) minimum size limit; ( $c, d$ ) temporal closure; (e,f) fisher surveillance; ( $\mathrm{g}, \mathrm{h}$ ) fisher education; (i,j) stock enhancement; (k,l) bag limit; (m,n) gear restriction; (o,p) spatial closure; ( $q, r$ ) maximum size limit. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.
(a)

(b)

(c)

(e)

(f)

(g)

(h)

(j)


Figure S1.4.8. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Black Bream fishers that utilise each fishery that chose a management acceptability rating for each of the nine options that currently are or could potentially be used to manage Black Bream fisheries in southwestern Australia. Management options: (a) minimum size limit; (b) stock enhancement; (c) fisher education; (d) maximum size limit; (e) restricting commercial fishing; (f) fisher surveillance; (g) bag limit; (h) spatial closure; (i) temporal closure; (j) restricting recreational fishing. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.9. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that utilise each fishery ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}, \mathrm{g}, \mathrm{i}, \mathrm{k}$ ) and belong to each fisher group ( $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{f}, \mathrm{h}, \mathrm{j}, \mathrm{l}$ ) that chose an option about whether management option should change of remain the same. Management options: (a,b) minimum size limit; (c,d) temporal closure; (e,f) fisher surveillance; (g,h) fisher education; (i,j) bag limit; (k,l) boat limit. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.10. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Black Bream fishers that utilise each fishery that chose an option about whether management option should change of remain the same. Management options: (a) minimum size limit; (b) fisher education, (c) fisher surveillance; (d) bag limit; (e) boat limit. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.11. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the ratings for each stock enhancement belief across ( $a, b$ ) belief strength, ( $c, d$ ) belief evaluation and (e,f) belief-based attitude for Blue Swimmer Crab stock enhancement. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.12. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the ratings for each stock enhancement belief across (a) belief strength, (b) belief evaluation and (c) belief-based attitude for Black Bream stock enhancement. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.13. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ ) Blue Swimmer Crab and ( $\mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d}$ ) Black Bream fishers that utilise each fishery ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}$ ) and belong to each fisher group (b,d) that agreed, disagreed or were unsure whether they would continue to fish if the population is restocked. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.


Figure S1.4.14. Dendrograms derived from CLUSTER-SIMPROF analysis of the percentage number of Blue Swimmer Crab fishers that utilise each fishery ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{e}, \mathrm{g}$ ) and belong to each fisher group (b,d,f,h) Crab chose options related to what they would do if they caught a restocked crab. (a) I would eat as if it was wild crab; (b) I would eat it but would prefer wild crab; (c) I would not eat it myself but would keep it for family/friends; (d) I would release after capture, I don't like restocked crabs. The clusters under each dashed vertical red line represent 'samples' that were shown by SIMPROF to be statistically similar.

### 1.5. Information sharing and the management of the Peel-Harvey Estuary

Table S1.5.1. Exponential random graph model results for attribute-based mixing for the attribute 'Seniority' of individual stakeholders forming the extended PHBSC fishery network.

| Attribute | $\boldsymbol{P}$ value |
| :--- | :---: |
| mix.seniority.1.1 | 0.544 |
| mix.seniority.2.1 | 0.492 |
| mix.seniority.3.1 | 0.943 |
| mix.seniority.1.2 | 0.535 |
| mix.seniority.2.2 | 0.903 |
| mix.seniority.3.2 | 0.687 |
| mix.seniority.1.3 | 0.914 |
| mix.seniority.2.3 | 0.367 |
| mix.seniority.3.3 | 0.042 |
| mix.seniority.NA.3 | 0.336 |

Table S1.5.2. Exponential random graph model results for attribute-based mixing for the attribute 'Organisation' of individual stakeholders forming the extended PHBSC fishery network.

| Attribute | P value |
| :--- | ---: |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.Birdlife Australia | 0.029 |
| mix.organisation.City of Mandurah.City of Mandurah | 0.508 |
| mix.organisation.DBCA.City of Mandurah | 0.512 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.City of Mandurah | 0.001 |
| mix.organisation.MSC.City of Mandurah | 0.941 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.City of Mandurah | 0.079 |
| mix.organisation.City of Mandurah.DBCA | 0.512 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.DBCA | 0.004 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.Dolphin Watch | 0.028 |
| mix.organisation.Birdlife Australia.DPIRD | 0.028 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.DPIRD | 0.004 |
| mix.organisation.DWER.DPIRD | 0.001 |
| mix.organisation.General public.DPIRD | 0.004 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.DPIRD | 0.002 |
| mix.organisation.MSC.DPIRD | 0.087 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.DPIRD | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.PDC.DPIRD | 0.004 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.DPIRD | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.Rec. fishers.DPIRD | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.RFW.DPIRD | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.SCS.DPIRD | 0.044 |
| mix.organisation.SSPWA.DPIRD | 0.028 |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.DPIRD | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.DWER | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.DWER | 0.014 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.DWER | 0.017 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.DWER | 0.049 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.FRDC | 0.285 |
| mix.organisation.City of Mandurah.General public | 0.512 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.General public | 0.004 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.Mandurah cruises | 0.376 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.Mandurah times | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.MLFA | $<0.001$ |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.MLFA | 0.002 |
| mix.organisation.MSC.MLFA | 0.376 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.MLFA | 0.001 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.MLFA | 0.009 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.MLFA | 0.034 |
| mix.organisation.SCS.MLFA | 0.827 |


| mix.organisation.SSPWA.MLFA | 0.040 |
| :---: | :---: |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.MLFA | 0.031 |
| Attribute | $P$ value |
| mix.organisation.RFW.MOFSC | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.MSC | 0.087 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.MSC | 0.827 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.MSC | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.Rec. fishers.MSC | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.MSC | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.Murdoch | <0.001 |
| mix.organisation.DWER.Murdoch | 0.009 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.Murdoch | <0.001 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.Murdoch | <0.001 |
| mix.organisation.PDC.Murdoch | 0.079 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.Murdoch | 0.005 |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.Murdoch | 0.005 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.PDC | 0.006 |
| mix.organisation.DWER.PDC | 0.313 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.PDC | 0.158 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.PDC | 0.241 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.PDC | 0.827 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.Peel Bright Minds | 0.028 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.PHCC | <0.001 |
| mix.organisation.DWER.PHCC | 0.049 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.PHCC | 0.008 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.PHCC | 0.005 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.PHCC | 0.177 |
| mix.organisation.SCS.PHCC | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.Politician | 0.242 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.Rec. fishers | 0.754 |
| mix.organisation.SCS.Rec. fishers | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.RFW | 0.067 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.RFW | 0.034 |
| mix.organisation.MOFSC.RFW | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.MSC.RFW | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.RFW | 0.008 |
| mix.organisation.PDC.RFW | 0.376 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.RFW | 0.177 |
| mix.organisation.Rec. fishers.RFW | 0.754 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.RFW | 0.599 |
| mix.organisation.SSPWA.RFW | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.RFW | 0.322 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.SCS | 0.087 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.SCS | 0.376 |
| mix.organisation.MSC.SCS | 0.966 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.SCS | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.SCS | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.Seafood producer | 0.242 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.SSPWA | 0.028 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.SSPWA | 0.674 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.SSPWA | 0.870 |
| mix.organisation.WAFIC.SSPWA | 0.198 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.UWA | 0.285 |
| mix.organisation.DPIRD.WAFIC | <0.001 |
| mix.organisation.MLFA.WAFIC | 0.031 |
| mix.organisation.MSC.WAFIC | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.Murdoch.WAFIC | 0.005 |
| mix.organisation.PHCC.WAFIC | 0.031 |
| mix.organisation.RFW.WAFIC | 0.322 |
| mix.organisation.SCS.WAFIC | 0.721 |
| mix.organisation.SSPWA.WAFIC | 0.608 |

Table S1.5.3. Exponential random graph model results for attribute-based mixing for the attribute 'Age' of individual stakeholders forming the extended PHBSC fishery network.

| Attribute | $\boldsymbol{P}$ value |
| :--- | ---: |
| mix.age.25-34.25-34 | 0.226 |
| mix.age.35-44.25-34 | 0.432 |
| mix.age.45-54.25-34 | 0.001 |
| mix.age.55-64.25-34 | 0.132 |
| mix.age.NA.25-34 | 0.031 |
| mix.age.25-34.35-44 | 0.226 |
| mix.age.35-44.35-44 | 0.037 |
| mix.age.45-54.35-44 | 0.011 |
| mix.age.55-64.35-44 | 0.192 |
| mix.age.NA.35-44 | 0.251 |
| mix.age.25-34.45-54 | 0.010 |
| mix.age.35-44.45-54 | 0.039 |
| mix.age.45-54.45-54 | 0.001 |
| mix.age.55-64.45-54 | 0.041 |
| mix.age.NA.45-54 | 0.040 |
| mix.age.25-34.55-64 | 0.132 |
| mix.age.35-44.55-64 | 0.070 |
| mix.age.45-54.55-64 | 0.005 |
| mix.age.55-64.55-64 | 0.987 |
| mix.age.65+.55-64 | 0.380 |
| mix.age.NA.55-64 | 0.012 |
| mix.age.NA.65+ | 0.262 |
| mix.age.25-34.NA | 0.031 |
| mix.age.35-44.NA | 0.197 |
| mix.age.45-54.NA | 0.050 |
| mix.age.55-64.NA | 0.080 |

Table S1.5.4. Exponential random graph model results for attribute-based mixing for the attribute 'Group of individual stakeholders forming the extended PHBSC fishery network.

| Attribute | $\boldsymbol{P}$ value |
| :--- | ---: |
| mix.group.Academics.Academics | 0.004 |
| mix.group.Commercial sector.Academics | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Government body.Academics | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.NGO, Conservation groups.Academics | 0.001 |
| mix.group.Academics.Commercial sector | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Commercial sector.Commercial sector | 0.191 |
| mix.group.Government body.Commercial sector | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.NGO, Conservation groups.Commercial sector | 0.004 |
| mix.group.Recreational sector.Commercial sector | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Academics.Government body | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Commercial sector.Government body | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Government body.Government body | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.NGO, Conservation groups.Government body | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Public awareness \& Tourism.Government body | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Recreational sector.Government body | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Academics.NGO, Conservation groups | 0.001 |
| mix.group.Commercial sector.NGO, Conservation groups | 0.001 |
| mix.group.Government body.NGO, Conservation groups | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.NGO, Conservation groups.NGO, Conservation groups | 0.019 |
| mix.group.Recreational sector.NGO, Conservation groups | 0.013 |
| mix.group.Commercial sector.Public awareness \& Tourism | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Government body.Public awareness \& Tourism | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Recreational sector.Public awareness \& Tourism | 0.003 |
| mix.group.Academics.Recreational sector | 0.001 |
| mix.group.Commercial sector.Recreational sector | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.Government body.Recreational sector | $<0.001$ |
| mix.group.NGO, Conservation groups.Recreational sector | 0.013 |
| mix.group.Public awareness \& Tourism.Recreational sector | 0.004 |

Table S1.5.5. Exponential random graph model results for attribute-based mixing for the attribute 'Organisation' of individual stakeholders forming the extended PHBSC fishery network.

| Attribute | $\boldsymbol{P}$ value |
| :--- | :---: |
| mix.gender.Female.Female | 0.040 |
| mix.gender.Male.Female | 0.104 |
| mix.gender.Female.Male | 0.125 |
| mix.gender.Male.Male | NA |

### 2.1. Economic value of recreational Blue Swimmer Crab fishing in south-western Australian estuaries

Table S2.2.1. Number of responses (n) and the frequency of occurrence (\%) of responses about the demographics of Blue Swimmer Crabs fishers. Data obtained from respondents that answered all questions in the closed question online survey.

| Demographic Information | n | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |
| Female | 18 | 15.4 |
| Male | 98 | 83.8 |
| Other | 1 | 0.9 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 18 to 24 years | 14 | 12.2 |
| 25 to 34 years | 29 | 25.2 |
| 35 to 44 years | 27 | 23.5 |
| 45 to 54 years | 29 | 25.2 |
| 55 to 64 years | 11 | 9.6 |
| $65+$ years | 5 | 4.4 |
| Education of respondents |  |  |
| Primary school | 2 | 1.7 |
| Secondary school | 27 | 23.3 |
| Technical or further education | 44 | 37.9 |
| University education | 37 | 31.9 |
| Other | 1 | 0.9 |
| Not stated | 5 | 4.3 |
| Employment category |  |  |
| Unemployed | 3 | 2.6 |
| Home duties | 5 | 4.3 |
| Full-time student | 4 | 3.5 |
| Part time or casual paid employment | 12 | 10.4 |
| Full time paid employment | 78 | 67.8 |
| Pensioner (disability, illness, age, etc) | 3 | 2.6 |
| Retired | 4 | 3.5 |
| Other | 6 | 5.2 |
| Annual income group |  |  |
| Negative income (less than \$0) | 2 | 1.6 |
| No income (\$0) | 9 | 7.4 |
| \$1-\$20,799 | 13 | 10.7 |
| \$20,800-\$41,599 | 16 | 13.1 |
| \$41,600-\$62,399 | 17 | 13.9 |
| \$62,400-\$83,199 | 16 | 13.1 |
| \$84,000-\$103,999 | 15 | 12.3 |
| \$104,000-\$142,999 | 11 | 9.0 |
| \$143,000-181,999 | 10 | 8.2 |
| \$182,000-\$233,999 | 1 | 0.8 |
| \$234,000-\$285,999 | 1 | 0.8 |
| \$286,000-\$337,999 | 1 | 0.8 |
| Prefer not to say | 10 | 8.2 |

### 2.2. Estimation of the economic value of recreational Black Bream fishing

Table S2.2.1. Number of responses ( $n$ ) and the frequency of occurrence (\%) of responses about the demographics of Black Bream fishers. Data obtained from respondents that answered all questions in the closed question online survey.

| Demographic Information | n | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |
| Female | 7 | 5.7 |
| Male | 113 | 92.6 |
| Other | 2 | 1.6 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 18 to 24 years | 24 | 19.5 |
| 25 to 34 years | 26 | 21.1 |
| 35 to 44 years | 33 | 26.8 |
| 45 to 54 years | 19 | 15.4 |
| 55 to 64 years | 14 | 11.4 |
| 65+ years | 7 | 5.7 |
| Education of respondents |  |  |
| Primary school | 2 | 1.6 |
| Secondary school | 37 | 30.1 |
| Technical or further education | 42 | 34.1 |
| University education | 39 | 31.7 |
| Other | 2 | 1.6 |
| Not stated | 1 | 0.8 |
| Employment category |  |  |
| Unemployed | 8 | 6.6 |
| Home duties | 6 | 4.9 |
| Full-time student | 8 | 6.6 |
| Part time or casual paid employment | 12 | 9.8 |
| Full time paid employment | 75 | 61.5 |
| Pensioner (disability, illness, age, etc) | 2 | 1.6 |
| Retired | 5 | 4.1 |
| Other | 6 | 4.9 |
| Annual income group |  |  |
| Negative income (less than \$0) | 1 | 0.9 |
| No income (\$0) | 8 | 7.1 |
| \$1-\$20,799 | 9 | 8.0 |
| \$20,800-\$41,599 | 13 | 11.5 |
| \$41,600-\$62,399 | 11 | 9.7 |
| \$62,400-\$83,199 | 17 | 15.0 |
| \$84,000-\$103,999 | 15 | 13.3 |
| \$104,000-\$142,999 | 12 | 10.6 |
| \$143,000-181,999 | 5 | 4.4 |
| \$182,000-\$233,999 | 6 | 5.3 |
| \$234,000-\$285,999 | 1 | 0.9 |
| \$286,000-\$337,999 | 1 | 0.9 |
| Prefer not to say | 14 | 12.4 |

## Appendix 3. Social dimensions of Blue Swimmer Crab recreational fishing in the Peel-Harvey Estuary

Table A3S1. Number of responses ( n ) and the frequency of occurrence (\%) of responses for questions about fisher demographics and fisher characteristics obtained from 41 face-to-face interviews with Blue Swimmer Crabs fishers on the Peel-Harvey Estuary.

| Respondent characteristics | n | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |
| Male | 31 | 75.6 |
| Female | 10 | 24.4 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 18-24 | 1 | 2.4 |
| 25-34 | 8 | 19.5 |
| 35-44 | 5 | 12.2 |
| 45-54 | 6 | 14.6 |
| 55-64 | 9 | 22.0 |
| 65+ | 12 | 29.3 |
| Residency |  |  |
| Mandurah resident (live within 20 km of estuary) | 29 | 70.7 |
| Non-Mandurah resident | 12 | 29.3 |
| Length of time fishing for Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  |
| 1 year or less | 5 | 14.3 |
| 2-3 years | 4 | 11.4 |
| 4-10 years | 2 | 5.7 |
| 11-20 years | 7 | 20.0 |
| 21-39 years | 5 | 14.3 |
| 40 or more years | 12 | 34.3 |
| Highest level of education |  |  |
| Secondary | 22 | 53.7 |
| Tertiary or further educational institution | 11 | 26.8 |
| University | 8 | 19.5 |
| Primary | 0 | 0 |
| Fishing method |  |  |
| Both boat and shore, but mainly boat | 11 | 26.8 |
| Shore only | 9 | 22.0 |
| Both boat and shore, but mainly shore | 8 | 19.5 |
| Both equally | 7 | 17.1 |
| Boat only | 6 | 14.6 |
| Are Blue Swimmer Crabs key to fisher identity? |  |  |
| No | 27 | 65.9 |
| Yes | 14 | 34.1 |
| Fisher awareness of restocking |  |  |
| Yes | 34 | 82.9 |
| No | 7 | 17.1 |

Table A3S2. Number of responses ( $n$ ) and the frequency of occurrence (\%) of responses for questions about fisher demographics and fisher characteristics obtained from the closed question online survey with Blue Swimmer Crabs fishers using the Peel-Harvey Estuary.

| Fisher characteristics | n | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |
| Male | 129 | 79.6 |
| Female | 32 | 19.8 |
| Other | 1 | 0.6 |
| Age |  |  |
| 18-24 | 10 | 6.2 |
| 25-34 | 30 | 18.6 |
| 35-44 | 37 | 23.0 |
| 45-54 | 39 | 24.2 |
| 55-64 | 28 | 17.3 |
| 65+ | 17 | 10.6 |
| Residency |  |  |
| Non-Mandurah resident | 81 | 50.9 |
| Mandurah resident | 78 | 49.1 |
| Length of time fishing for Blue Swimmer Crabs |  |  |
| 1 year or less | 8 | 3.8 |
| 2-3 years | 12 | 5.7 |
| 4-5 years | 20 | 9.5 |
| 6-10 years | 26 | 12.3 |
| 11-20 years | 43 | 20.4 |
| 21-39 years | 54 | 25.6 |
| 40 or more years | 48 | 22.7 |
| Frequency of fishing over the last 12 months |  |  |
| I have not fished for the crabs in the past 12 months | 6 | 2.6 |
| Once | 27 | 11.6 |
| Once every 4-6 months | 43 | 18.5 |
| Once every 2 - 3 months | 42 | 18.1 |
| Once a month | 47 | 20.3 |
| 1-2 days a fortnight | 39 | 16.8 |
| 1-2 days a week | 22 | 9.5 |
| 3-4 days a week | 4 | 1.7 |
| 5 days or more a week | 2 | 0.9 |
| Education |  |  |
| Secondary | 53 | 34.2 |
| Tertiary or further educational institution | 51 | 32.9 |
| University | 48 | 31.0 |
| Primary | 3 | 1.9 |
| Fishing method |  |  |
| Boat only | 71 | 33.3 |
| Shore only | 50 | 23.5 |
| Both boat and shore, but mainly boat | 41 | 19.2 |
| Both boat and shore, but mainly shore | 30 | 14.1 |
| Both equally | 21 | 9.9 |
| Self-assessed fishing level |  |  |
| Intermediate | 109 | 51.7 |
| Expert | 82 | 38.8 |
| Beginner (novice) | 20 | 9.5 |

Table A3S3. H-values from Kruskal-Wallis tests between the basic fisher demographics, fisher characteristics and CLUSTER-SIMPROF fisher groups and the motivational factors. Dark and light shading indicate significant results $(p<0.050)$ and those with a $p$-value between $0.051-0.100$, respectively.

|  | What makes a fishing trip successful? |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Catching enough crabs to eat | Catching big crabs | Being with friends/family is enough | Being outdoors is enough | Catching as many crabs as legally allowed | Catching some crabs, despite number or size |
| Demographics |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age | 1.19 | 4.41 | 1.76 | 2.68 | 5.00 | 11.99 |
| Gender | 3.36 | 3.11 | 4.39 | 1.91 | 3.76 | 4.14 |
| Residency | 5.08 | 0.13 | 3.40 | 4.14 | 1.82 | 0.69 |
| Fisher charact. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fishing frequency | 17.08 | 6.22 | 14.89 | 15.32 | 8.65 | 8.95 |
| Length of practice | 6.66 | 1.60 | 4.56 | 11.81 | 3.82 | 5.50 |
| Fishing method | 5.19 | 1.44 | 1.31 | 4.26 | 11.08 | 3.63 |
| Expertise | 3.38 | 3.66 | 2.60 | 3.48 | 2.02 | 0.46 |
| Fisher groups | 4.78 | 2.15 | 3.30 | 4.37 | 3.40 | 0.70 |

Table A3S4. H-values from Kruskal-Wallis tests between the basic fisher demographics, fisher characteristics and CLUSTER-SIMPROF fisher groups and the restocking belief strength. Dark and light shading indicate significant results ( $p<0.050$ ) and those with a $p$-value between $0.051-0.100$, respectively.

|  | Belief Strength |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Increase <br> crab <br> number | More <br> crabs to <br> catch | More <br> fishers <br> fishing | No change <br> in crab <br> abundance | Increase <br> fishing <br> pressure | Impact on the <br> environment and <br> species |
| Demographics | 6.93 | 7.89 | 3.69 | 6.13 | 8.83 |  |
| Age | 1.81 | 3.39 | 1.81 | 1.09 | 4.41 | 9.44 |
| Gender <br> Residency | 1.25 | 2.78 | 0.01 | 2.74 | 1.43 | 2.97 |
| Fisher <br> charact. |  |  |  |  |  | 0.06 |
| Fishing <br> frequency | 6.99 | 7.72 | 10.48 | 4.69 | 5.96 | 8.05 |
| Length of <br> practice | 6.98 | 6.24 | 5.50 | 5.01 | 7.27 | 6.89 |
| Fishing method | 3.06 | 2.06 | 2.41 | 0.75 | 1.70 | 8.16 |
| Expertise | 1.36 | 0.05 | 1.61 | 1.01 | 0.21 | 5.24 |
| Fisher groups | 2.03 | 2.58 | 4.32 | 4.72 | 3.28 | 10.67 |

Table A3S5. H-values from Kruskal-Wallis tests between the basic fisher demographics, fisher characteristics and CLUSTER-SIMPROF fisher groups and the restocking belief evaluation. Dark and light shading indicate significant results $(p<0.050)$ and those with a $p$-value between $0.051-0.100$, respectively.

|  | Belief evaluation |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Increase <br> crab <br> number is | More <br> crabs to <br> catch is | More <br> fishers <br> fishing is | No change in <br> crab <br> abundance is | Increase <br> fishing <br> pressure is | Impact on the <br> environment <br> and species is |
| Demographics | 3.73 | 5.11 | 2.80 | 4.67 | 2.49 | 4.53 |
| Age | 5.42 | 5.47 | 0.45 | 0.38 | 2.26 | 0.01 |
| Gender | 0.32 | 1.88 | 2.32 | 2.93 | 0.39 | 1.53 |
| Residency |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fisher charact. | 8.68 | 10.13 | 8.88 | 12.14 | 3.38 | 3.95 |
| Fishing frequency | 4.12 | 3.83 | 12.06 | 8.88 | 4.15 | 10.38 |
| Length of practice | 4.01 | 2.33 | 4.13 | 4.76 | 2.15 | 6.42 |
| Fishing method | 1.39 | 0.30 | 0.66 | 4.12 | 4.16 | 0.34 |
| Expertise | 2.02 | 4.58 | 4.16 | 6.75 | 1.32 | 4.39 |
| Fisher group |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table A3S6. H-values from the Kruskal-Wallis test between the basic fisher demographics, fisher characteristics and CLUSTER-SIMPROF fisher groups and the restocking cross-product data. Dark and light shading indicate significant results ( $p<0.050$ ) and those with a $p$-value between 0.051-0.100, respectively.

|  | Cross-product (belief strength $\mathbf{x}$ belief evaluation) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Increase <br> crab <br> number | More <br> crabs to <br> catch | More <br> fishers <br> fishing | No change <br> in crab <br> abundance | Increase <br> fishing <br> pressure | Impact on the <br> environment <br> and species |
| Demographics | 6.20 | 4.69 | 1.66 | 3.63 | 3.92 |  |
| Age | 3.77 | 4.61 | 0.32 | 0.16 | 0.02 | 3.31 |
| Gender | 0.59 | 2.59 | 1.75 | 0.38 | 1.04 | 3.77 |
| Residency |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fisher charact. | 11.49 | 10.40 | 11.24 | 12.50 | 3.18 |  |
| Fishing frequency | 6.12 | 3.89 | 13.34 | 4.30 | 9.28 | 9.14 |
| Length of practice | 2.77 | 2.07 | 1.85 | 2.47 | 4.37 | 5.55 |
| Fishing method | 0.61 | 0.13 | 0.17 | 2.43 | 4.54 | 4.51 |
| Expertise | 2.36 | 5.33 | 2.98 | 1.93 | 2.49 | 7.63 |
| Fisher groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table A3S6. H-values from Kruskal-Wallis tests between the basic fisher demographics, fisher characteristics and CLUSTER-SIMPROF groups and the various management interventions. Dark and light shading indicate significant results $(p<0.050)$ and those with a $p$-value between $0.051-0.100$, respectively.

|  | Management |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Min <br> size <br> limits | Max <br> size <br> limits | Bag <br> limits | Season <br> closure | Closed <br> fishing <br> zones | Restrict <br> fishing <br> gear | Monitor <br> fishers | Educate <br> fishers | Restock <br> crabs |  |
| Demographics | 0.92 | 6.40 | 0.32 | 3.89 | 4.07 | 3.44 | 7.99 | 5.88 | 5.05 |  |
| Age | 0.38 | 7.51 | 1.82 | 1.57 | 5.79 | 2.21 | 0.37 | 1.17 | 0.64 |  |
| Gender | 0.07 | 1.31 | 0.90 | 0.20 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.01 | 1.40 |  |
| Residency |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fisher charact. | 2.64 | 14.37 | 5.91 | 6.84 | 17.51 | 5.65 | 6.71 | 2.94 | 2.05 |  |
| Fishing freq. | 5.60 | 7.11 | 3.83 | 3.04 | 9.25 | 6.56 | 4.06 | 6.19 | 5.28 |  |
| Len. of practice | 2.76 | 14.84 | 3.88 | 3.41 | 8.64 | 4.33 | 1.06 | 3.40 | 3.80 |  |
| Fishing method | 2.43 | 4.79 | 2.88 | 0.07 | 13.77 | 6.17 | 2.07 | 1.56 | 1.47 |  |
| Expertise | 1.99 | 8.28 | 5.71 | 3.38 | 9.93 | 3.29 | 3.09 | 3.57 | 0.54 |  |
| Fisher group | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


[^0]:    * After selecting this response these respondents were automatically transferred to the final page of the questionnaire to complete some basic demographic questions and received a thank you message.
    $\wedge$ Respondents were able to select multiple options and so value do not sum to 100 .

