



## LAKE WYARALONG AUSTRALIAN BASS 2011-2020 2020 REVIEW

AVAILABLE		AVAILABLE	
Dam capacity		Storage level	
Stocked fish numbers		Bathymetry	
Tagged fish		Recaptures	
Postcodes		Competitions	
Species		Australian Bass	
Catch rates		Fish sizes	
Growth		Survival	
Tag locations		Fish Movement	
Species		Mary River Cod	
Catch rates		Fish sizes	
Growth		Survival	
Tag locations		Fish Movement	

## Summary

- Wyaralong dam was completed in 2011 and filled in 2012
- The lake was first stocked in 2014 with tagging commencing in 2016
- From 2014-2018 there were 20K Bass and 13.8K Mary River Cod fingerlings released
- From 2016-2020 there were 219 Bass tagged for 10 recaptures (4.6%) and 2 Mary River Cod recorded
- The catch rate for Bass ranged from 5.3 fish/fisher day in 2017 to 2.7 in 2019
- The average length for Bass rose steadily from 325mm in 2016 (2 years after first stocking) to 375mm in 2019
- Recaptured Bass have mostly been caught in the same area as tagged or have moved up the lake
- Most postcodes of fishers recapturing fish are Ipswich area 50% and Beaudesert 25% however recapture number are low

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LAKE WYARALONG	LOCATION	GRID MAP LWY
Woolooman Undullah Wyaratong Queensland Moto Park	Coral Sea	Nacional Presion
MEASURE	ACTUAL	GRAPH
Surface area Lake level	Surface area 12.3km <sup>2</sup> Level at 1 Mar 2021 89.4% For latest level <u>https://www.seqwater.com.</u> <u>au/historic-dam-levels</u>	
Fingerlings stocked 2011-2018	HIGHEST LOWEST TOTAL BASS 2014 2017 10K 10K 20K MARY RIVER COD 2017 2016 13.8K 4.8K 18.6K	LAKE WYARALONG STOCKING
Bass tagged and recaptured 2011-2021	TAGGEDRECAPTURED21910RECAPTURE RATE4.6%	WVARALONG BASS TAGGED AND RECAPTURED
Mary River Cod 2011-2021	FISH RECORDED 2019 2020 1 1	
Postcodes of recapture fishers 2011-2021	Recaptures10RegionFishersIpswich50%Beaudesert25%Gatton12%Toowoomba13%	RECAPTURE FISHERS POSTCODES TOOWOOMA 13% GATTON 12% BEAUDESERT 25%

LAKE WYARALONG	AUSTRALIAN BASS	
Woolcoman Undullan wysratoro © Queensland Moto Park		
Catch and effort number of fish fisher days T20 taggers 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW CATCH 2018 2019 2020 85 27 7 EFFORT 2018 2019 2020 18 10 3	20 18 16 14 12 12 6 4 2 0 18 16 14 12 18 6 4 2 0 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 14 12 18 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16
Catch rate Fish/fisher day 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW 2017 2019 2021 5.3 2.7 10.3 5 YEAR AVERAGE 5.4	
Average length (mm) Bars show smallest and largest fish 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW AVERAGE LENGTH 2012 2016 2021 375 325 414 LARGEST 2021 480	2015
Fish length percentage (%) Undersize <300mm Legal 300-499mm Trophy 500+mm 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW LEGAL 2018 2017 2021 97.6 66.3 100 TROPHY 0 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017	2018 2019 2020
Grid locations of tagged fish (map LWY) 2011-2020	Grids where most fish caughtGRIDFISHO5142N639O525M623	
Bass movements 2011-2020	Recaptures 10 Insufficient data 5 Recaptured same area 3 Up lake 2	NT DOWN LAKE 1095 UP LAKE 1460

LAKE WYARALONG		MARY RIVER COD
Undulah Wyaralong Queensland Moto Park		
MEASURE	ACTUAL	GRAPH or MAP
All measures 2011-2020	Fish recorded 2	LENGTHS 2019 2020 640 510
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## Data sources

Data used in the Wyaralong Crystal Bowl are:

- Tag records and recapture records for the impoundment at <u>http://crystalbowl.infofishaustralia.com.au/</u>
- Dam level data from SEQwater at <u>https://www.seqwater.com.au/historic-dam-levels</u>
- Stocked fish records from <a href="https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/queensland-freshwater-fish-stocking-records/">https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/queensland-freshwater-fish-stocking-records/</a>

## **Basis for analysis**

- Catch rates calculated as number of fish tagged/fisher/day for T20 fishers (taggers) with a minimum of 12 fisher days (at least 1 per month) to provide a reliable catch rate
- Undersized Bass are <300mm, legal fish are >=300 and <500mm and trophy fish are >=500mm
- Locations based on Infofish grid map LWY for the impoundment and other grid maps where fish were recaptured outside the impoundment