



LAKE BELMORE REVIEW 2024

INFORMATION RATING



Stocking group: Croydon Fishing and Boating Club Inc

Species stocked: Barramundi, Sooty Grunter

Stocking timeframe: 2012-2024

Fish timeframe: 2015-2024

Fisher timeframe: 2020-2024

DAF link: <https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/rsa/sips-dams-and-weirs/profile?dam=lake-belmore>

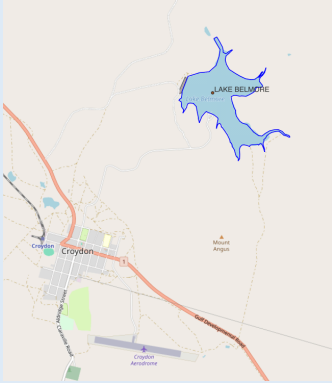


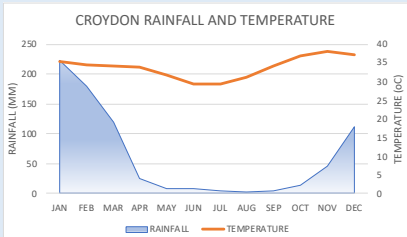
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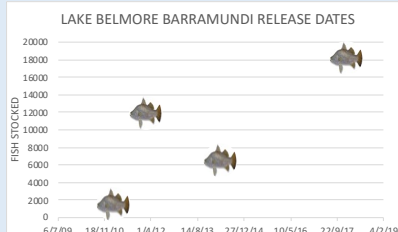


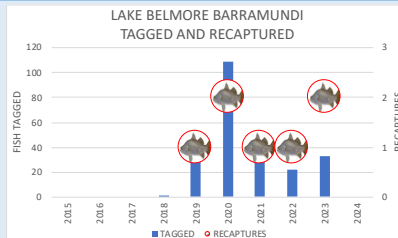
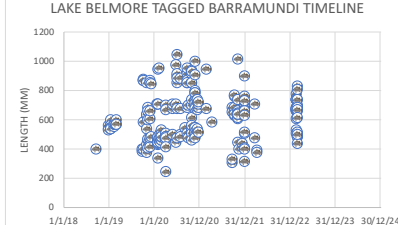
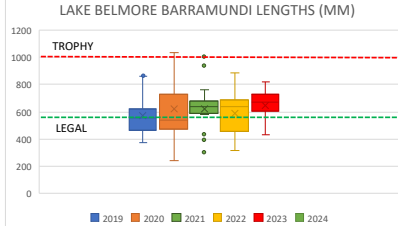
Lake Belmore is the water supply for the town of Croydon on the Gulf Development Road in North Queensland. It has been intermittently stocked with Barramundi and Sooty Grunter however the stocking history prior to 2011 is unknown and stocking details after 2018 are not available. Note local size limits are 60cm for Barramundi and 28cm for Sooty Grunter.


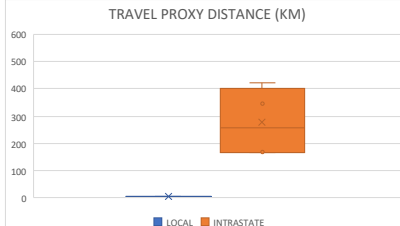
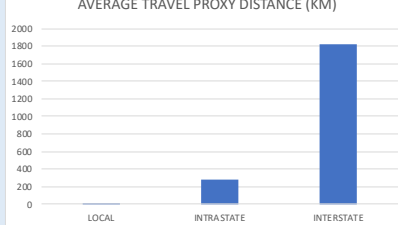
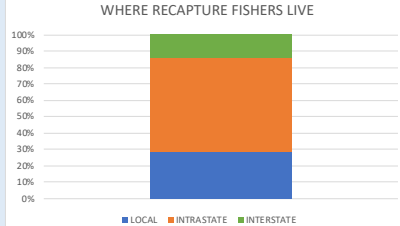
The lake is fished by locals from Croydon but also attracts visitors from the Gulf and towards the east coast. Fishers recapturing fish from 2019-2024 came from Croydon, Karumba, Pentland, Ravenshoe and South Australia.

Fish tagged from 2018-2024 were tagged by Suntag taggers and there have been 7 (2.9%) recaptures of those fish. No fish were tagged, or recaptures reported in 2024.

Due to the small size of the lake internal movement was not recorded and no recaptures have been recorded from elsewhere.

LAKE BELMORE		LOCATION
	Lat Lon	18.18°S 142.265°E
		
IMPOUNDMENT	ACTUAL	GRAPH
Lake Belmore Croydon LBC	Surface area 118ha	
ENVIRONMENTAL		
Croydon Mean monthly rainfall (mm) Mean monthly air temperature (oC)	Rainfall Jan Temperature Nov Dec	Max (mm) 223 Max (oC) 38 37
		

FISH	ACTUAL		MAP or GRAPH																																				
BARRAMUNDI	STOCKING																																						
																																							
Barramundi stocked 2011-2018 (no stocking records available after 2018)	Year	Fingerlings																																					
	2011	1500																																					
	2012	11800																																					
	2014	6500																																					
	2018	18123																																					
	Total	37923																																					
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Barramundi tagged and recaptured 2015-2024	Tagged 238 Recapture rate 2.9% Tagged 2024 0	Recaptured 7																																					
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Barramundi tag lengths 2015-2024	Year	Average (mm)																																					
	2020	619																																					
	2021	622																																					
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		Range (km)																													
	Local	3																													
	Intrastate	167-422																													
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Where recapture fishers live 2020-2024	Fishers	7																													
	Local	2 (29%)																													
	Intrastate	4 (57%)																													
	Interstate	1 (14%)																													
																															

**Where recapture fishers
live (red stars)
2020-2024**



DATA SOURCES

Data used in the Lake Belmore stocked Barramundi Crystal Bowl:

- Tag records and recapture records for Lake Belmore at <http://crystalbowl.infofishaustralia.com.au/>.
- Rainfall and temperature records from Station 029012 Croydon Township from <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/data>.