



Spearfishing and diving in Victoria survey (2022-23)

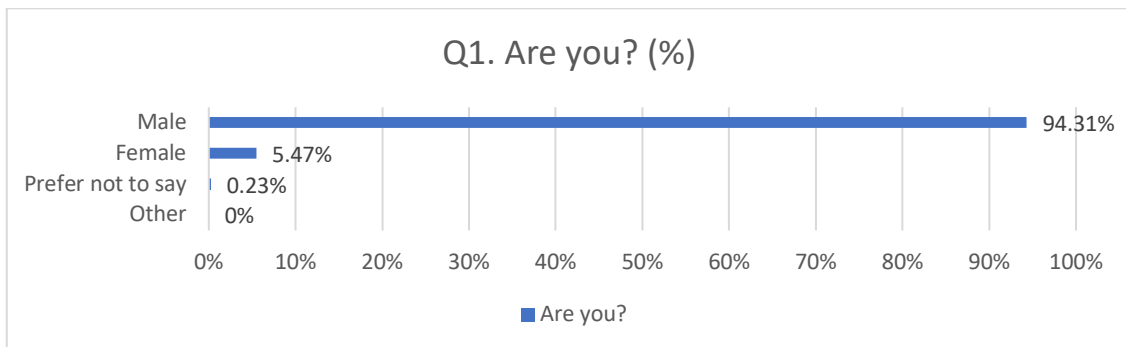
Over a five-week period between December 2022 and January 2023, VRFish asked Victorian recreational spearfishers and divers to share how they go spearfishing and/or diving.

An invitation to complete the survey was sent to our e-newsletter subscribers and members, shared via our social media platforms and posted on our website. The survey received 439 responses.

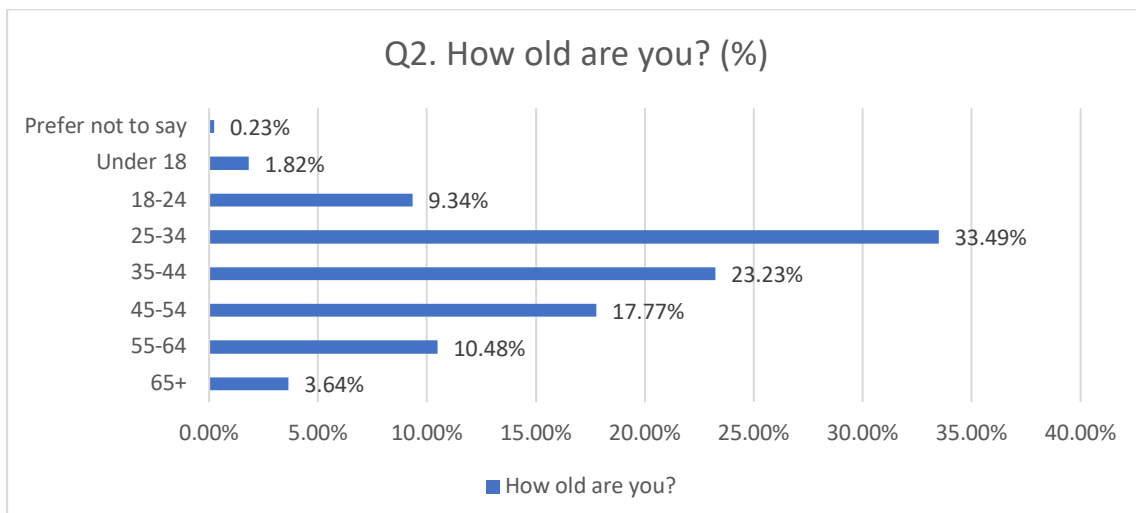
A summary of the results can be viewed below.

Summary of Results

Question 1



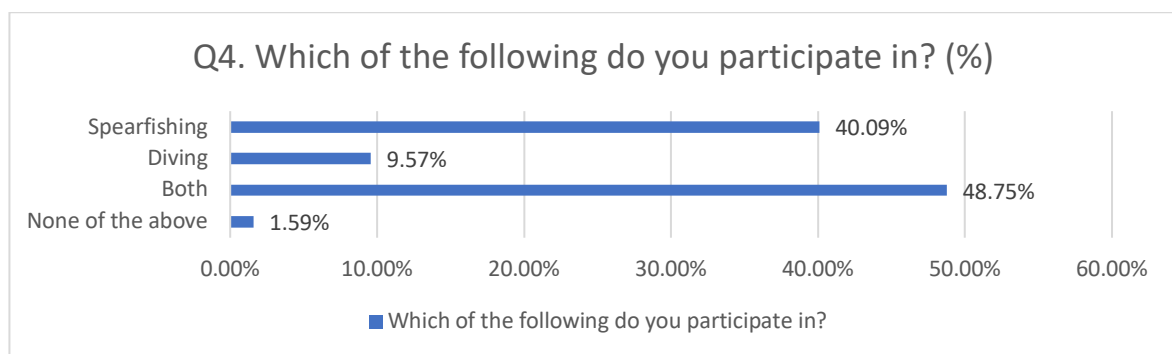
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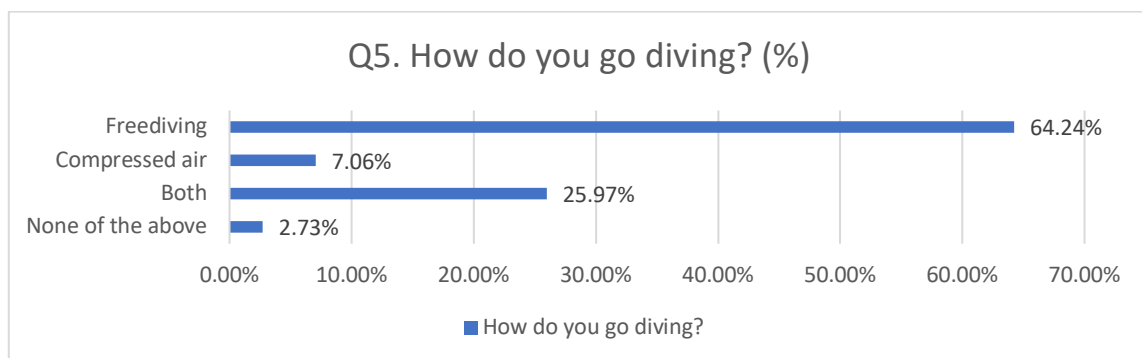
Question 3

Q3. What is your residential post code?	The top 10 residential post codes from respondents included:
	1. 3280 (10)
	2. 3030 (8)
	3. 3226 (8)
	4. 3198 (7)
	5. 3000 (7)
	6. 3305 (7)
	7. 3810 (6)
	8. 3073 (6)
	9. 3188 (6)
	10. 3223 (5)

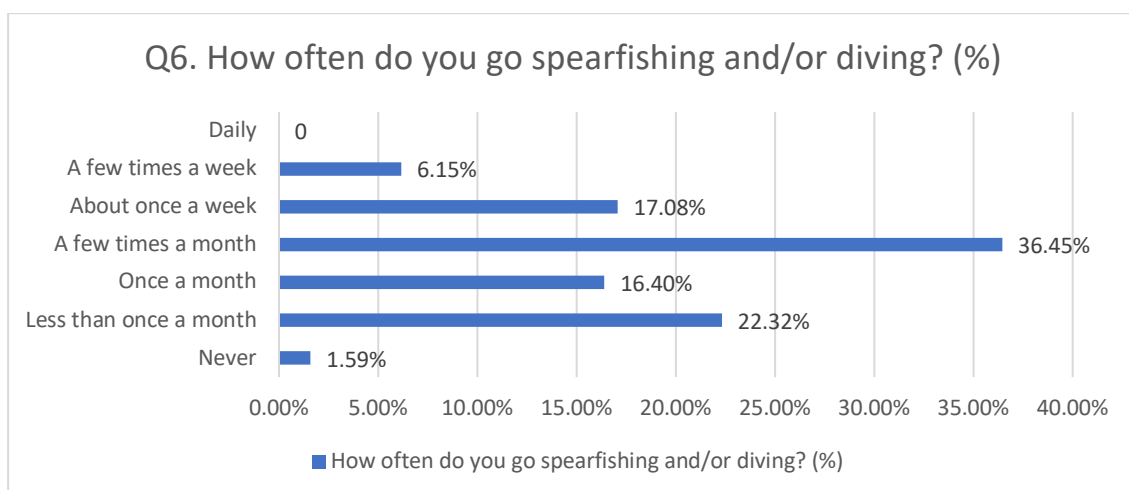
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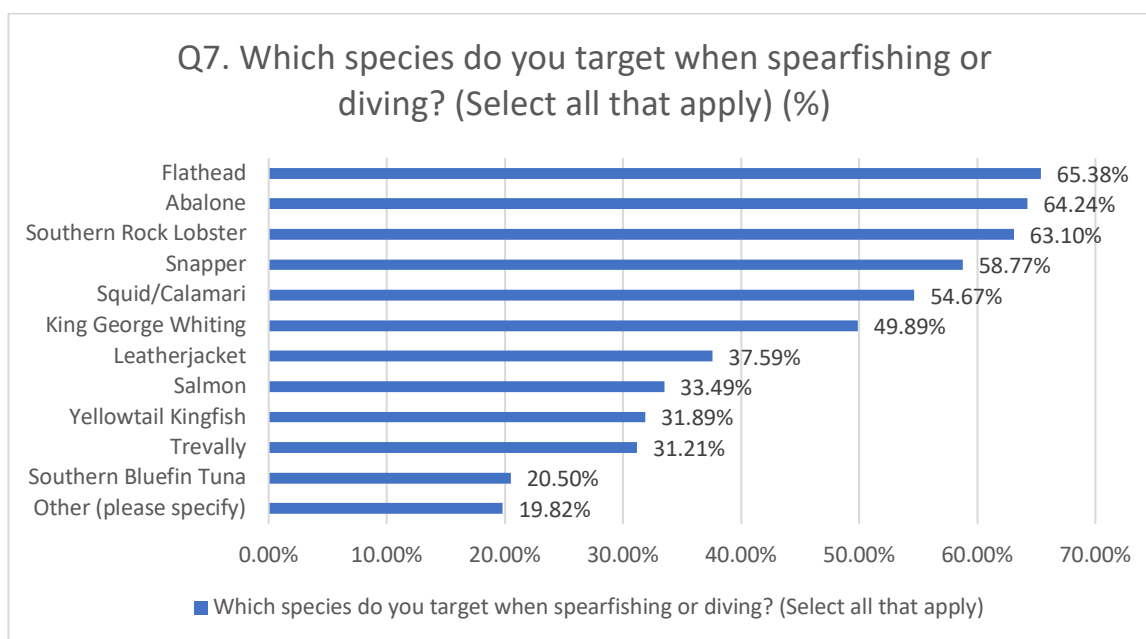
Question 5



Question 6

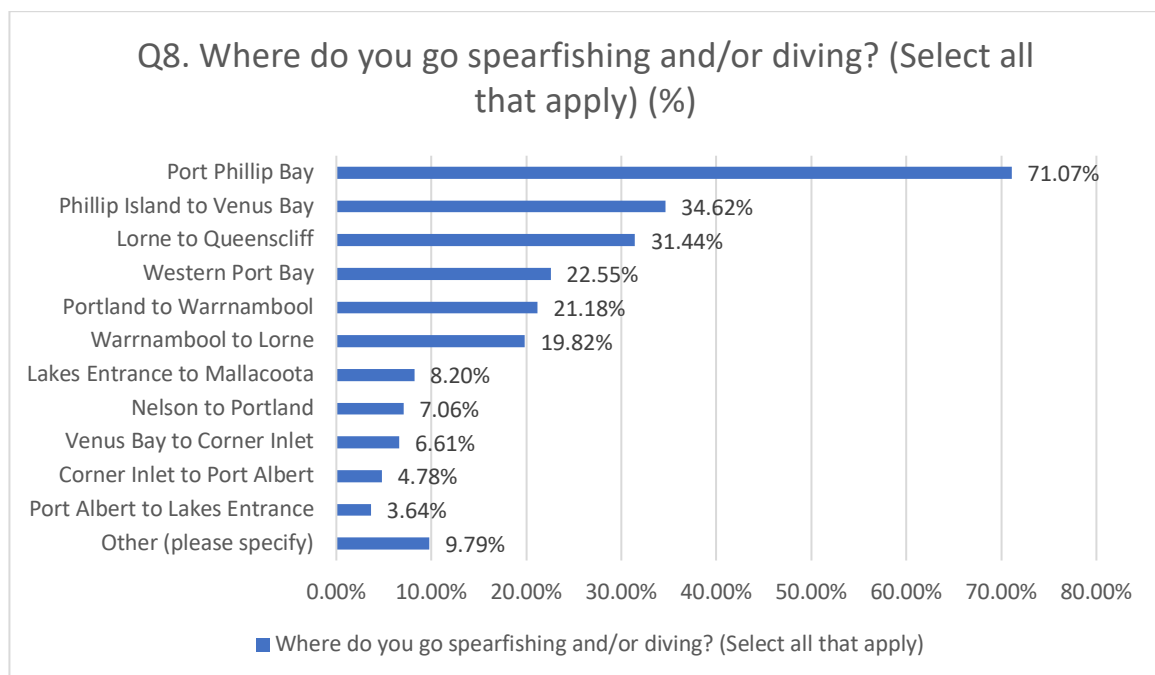


Question 7



For those who selected other, the most listed fish species included: Sweep (27), Morwong (18), Scallops (14), Boarfish (8), Wrasse (7), Flounder (7), Trumpeter (5), Sea urchins (5), Goatfish (4), Butterfish (4), Bream (3), Magpie perch (2), Garfish (2) and Luderick (2).

Question 8



For those who selected other, the most listed locations included:
Mornington Peninsula (10), Flinders (4), Wilsons Promontory (4), Portsea (3), Port Fairy (3),
Black Rock (2), Cape Conran (2).

Survey Questions

The survey included the following questions.

Questions	Options
1: Are you?	Male
	Female
	Other
	Prefer not to say
2: How old are you?	Under 18
	18-24
	25-34
	35-44
	45-54
	55-64
	65+
	Prefer not to say
3: What is your residential postcode?	
4: Which of the following do you participate in?	Spearfishing
	Diving
	Both
	None of the above
5: How do you go diving?	Compressed air
	Freediving
	Both
	None of the above
6: How often do you go spearfishing and/or diving?	Daily
	A few times a week
	About once a week
	A few times a month
	Once a month
	Less than once a month
	Never
7: Which species do you target when spearfishing or diving? (Select all that apply)	Flathead
	Abalone
	Southern Rock Lobster
	Snapper
	Squid/calamari
	King George Whiting
	Leatherjacket
	Salmon
	Yellowtail kingfish
	Trevally
	Southern bluefin tuna
	Other (please specify)
8: Where do you go spearfishing and/or diving?	Nelson to Portland

	Portland to Warrnambool
	Warrnambool to Lorne
	Lorne to Queenscliff
	Port Phillip Bay
	Western Port Bay
	Phillip Island to Venus Bay
	Venus Bay to Corner Inlet
	Corner Inlet to Port Albert
	Port Albert to Lakes Entrance
	Lakes Entrance to Mallacoota
	Other (please specify)
<i>9: Please share any other comments you have below</i>	
<i>10: If you would like to go in the running to win the prize, please provide your contact details below.</i>	