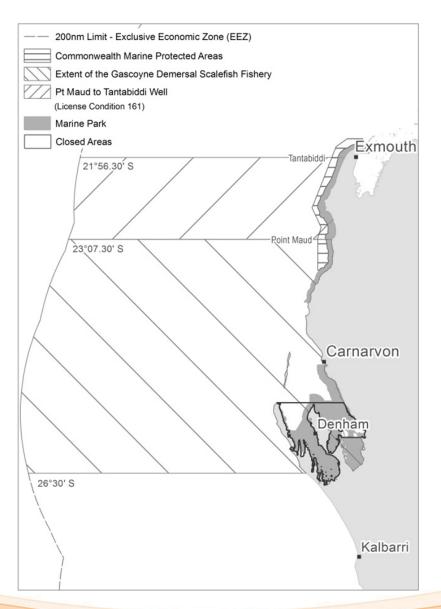


Shark Bay Scalefish fisheries Past, Present & Future

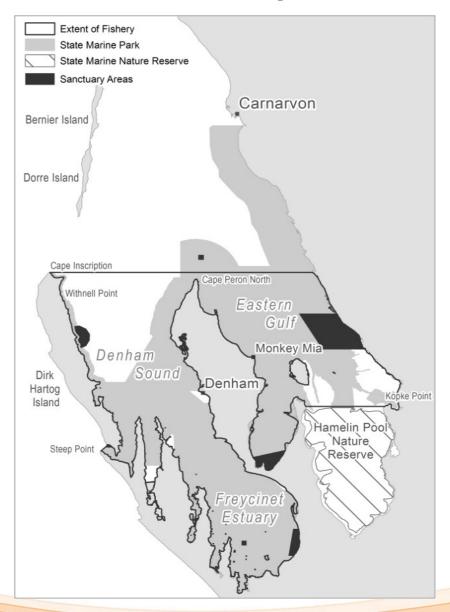
Gascoyne Demersal Scalefish Fishery





- Long history
- Pink snapper, Goldband
- Biology well studied but...
- Regular assessments and management action but...
- Current Depleted
- Gaps environmentrecruitment, sharks, discarding/barotrauma
- Current priority monitoring closure
- Future change in spatial dynamics on west coast, acoustic methods, shark behavior

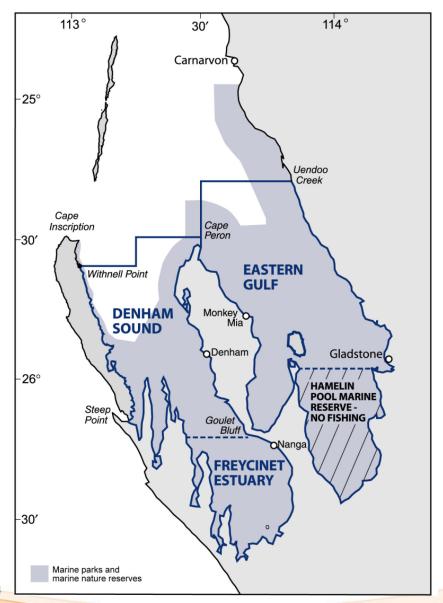
Shark Bay Beach Seine & Mesh Net





- Long history
- Whiting, Mullet
- Whiting biology well studied, less so mullet
- Effort steadily declined particularly since 2007, currently lowest on record, reflected in catches
- Gaps effects of heatwave, effects of seagrass loss,

Recreational Fishery





- Since 1960s, first survey 1983
- Inner gulfs, focus on pink snapper since mid 1990s
- Regular surveys since 1998
- Management since 1998, successful
- Current monitoring recreational fishing activity
- Gaps assessment of other key species

