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Information Paper

Total Allowable Catch Determination – Spanner Crab

Ocean Trap and Line Fishery

The Executive Director, Fisheries (as delegate of the Secretary of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development NSW) has made the following Total Allowable Catch (TAC) determination for Spanner Crab taken in the Ocean Trap and Line Fishery for the fishing period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026:

Quota Species	TAC Determination
Spanner Crab	100 tonnes

The determination was based on application of decision rules in the NSW Spanner Crab Harvest Strategy.

The Spanner Crab Harvest Strategy was formally adopted in August 2023. The harvest strategy identifies indicators based on NSW commercial catch rates and catch rates from fishery independent surveys conducted across NSW and Queensland as the primary means to measure current abundance of the NSW component of the East Coast Spanner Crab stock and applies decision rules that govern whether the TAC should change or remain the same in each annual fishing period.

A copy of the NSW Spanner Crab Harvest Strategy can be found on the DPIRD Fisheries website at [Spanner Crab Harvest Strategy](#)

More information

- Total Allowable Catch and Effort Determinations – [Total allowable catch and fishing effort determinations](#)
- Commercial Fisheries Hotline - 1300 726 488

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