

BOAT LAUNCH SITE FEEDBACK

Boat launch site:	Bobbies Angling Club
Feedback period:	Jan – Dec 2014
Daily launch limit:	Not stipulated

Jurisdiction
Transnet National Ports Authority – Durban Harbour

Vessel	No. of launches	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total
	Inflatable				1		1		1				1	1
Jetski										1				1
Paddlecraft														
Skiboat		22	37	21	6	31	32	36	14	37	30	45	42	353
Unspecified		1	1			3	1	5	2	1		2	2	18
Charter fishing														
Charter pleasure														
Charter scuba														
Charter whale/dol. ¹														
Commercial fishing													1	1
Private fishing		19	35	17	4	32	32	36	14	38	30	46	32	335
Private pleasure				1				1						2
Private scuba														
Private spearfishing		1			1	1			1				1	5
Other/ unspecified		3	3	4	1	2	1	5	1	1		2	11	34
Total launches		23	38	22	6	35	33	42	16	39	30	48	45	377

1. Charter whale/dolphin viewing

General results	Launches/day ²	3
	Launches/weekday ²	2
	Launches/weekend day ²	3
	% days launched	41%
	No. days limit exceeded	N/A
	Persons on vessel ²	3
	Proportion night launches	41%
	Proportion night beachings	26%
	Duration of outing (hours) ²	6.25
	Popular destination	N-41
	30%	

2. In terms of averages

Recreational catch returns	Targeting	59% bottomfish
		26% gamefish
	Diversity	32 spp
	Main catch composition	
	Unsp. redfish	20%
	Santer	17%
	Unsp. rockcod	16%
	Geelbek	12%
	Slinger	7%
	Catch rate (retained fish)	
	2.35 fish/outing	

Entries completed	Date	100%	Outing purpose	100%
	Boat name	97%	Destination	3%
	Boat No.	99%	Launch time	98%
	No. persons	96%	Return time	93%
	Vessel type	100%	Targeting	4%
	Outing type	100%	Catch return	39%

Comments	Slight decrease (7%) in the number of launches compared to 2013. Moderate usage of site (used on 41% of days). High proportion of night launches recorded. Private recreational fishing (89%) was the main reason for launching. Catch composition dominated by bottomfish species with a further decrease reported in catches of geelbek. Reasonable completion of launch register fields except destination, targeting and catch returns.
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