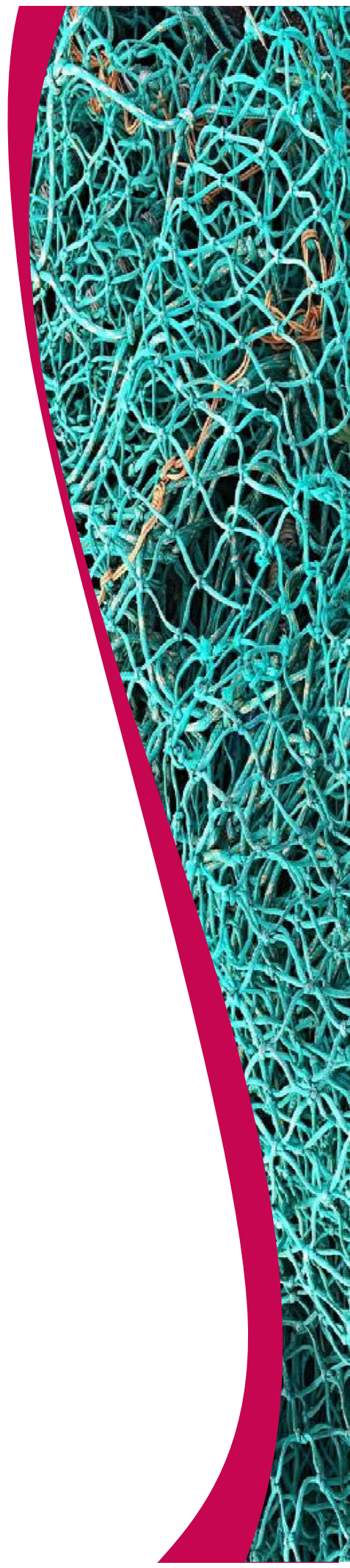


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AFMA's Observer Program

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Program background

- Observers provide independent, reliable, verified, accurate information on catch, effort and other data otherwise not available
- Internationally accredited (CCAMLR, WCPFC, SPRFMO)
- Priorities can change year by year, season by season, fishery by fishery
- Almost 2200 sea days forecast in the 2021/22 financial year
 - Southern Ocean program (largest component)
 - Northern Prawn Fishery (TEPs & catch composition)
 - Commonwealth Trawl Sector (discards, biological data, TEPs)
- Anywhere, anytime, adaptable