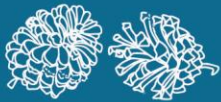




The Health of Landcare

**QWaLC Member Groups including Landcare, Coastcare,
Conservation, Wildlife and Friends of Groups)**

in Queensland 2021-2022



*"Actively Supporting
Community-Based
Nature Conservation
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QWaLC Member Groups Annual Survey Highlights for 2021/2022



456 Member Groups



89% Met/Exceeded Expectations



467 Persons Employed



37,927 Volunteers



1,046,832 Volunteer Hours



\$43,672,831 of In-Kind Value



307,913 Community Participants



339 Projects Examples

Resources & Activities

Member Group's Activities:

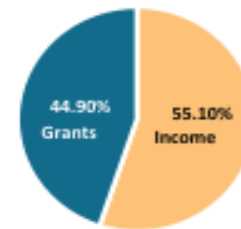
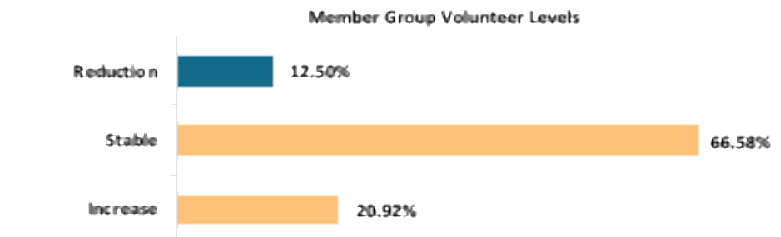
On-Ground Works	- 47.82%
Educational Events	- 33.39%
Scientific Research	- 10.48%
Feral Animal Control	- 5.03%
Wildlife Management	- 3.28%

Finances

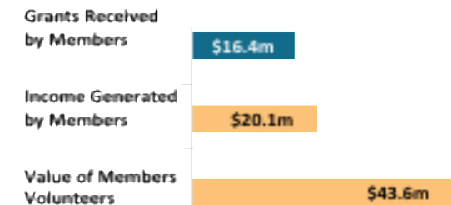
Summary All Income Amounts:

<\$5,000	- 49.82%
\$5,001 to \$50,000	- 35.94%
\$50,001 to \$100,000	- 7.35%
>\$100,000	- 6.88%

[360 Grants Received by Members]



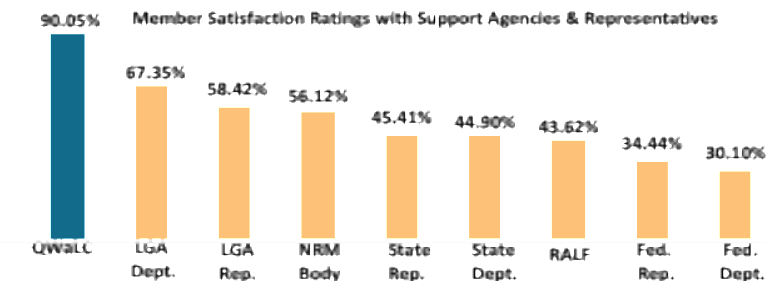
The Value of Landcare to Queensland = \$80.1m
ROI on Grants Investment - \$1:\$4



Needs & Satisfaction

Support Requirement Priorities:

Business Development	- 45.28%
Human Resources	- 39.66%
Compliance	- 7.30%
No Support Required	- 7.76%



Biggest Challenges for the Coming Year - 2022/2023

Human Resources including Volunteer Management	- 47.47%
Business Development, Partnerships & Capacity	- 31.08%
Managing and Maintaining On-Ground Activities	- 21.45%



Executive Summary

Queensland Water and Land Carers (QWaLC) is the peak body for community-based groups involved in sustainable agriculture, biodiversity conservation, environmental protection, advocacy and education, coastal rehabilitation, improving landscape resilience, restoration and conservation across Queensland. QWaLC roles include representation, advocacy, promotion, networking, risk reduction, governance resources and insurance administration. QWaLC's board includes representatives elected from across Qld. Our membership consists of **456** groups and **37,927 individuals** spread across 13 NRM regions in QLD. Members provided examples of 339 projects during 2021/2022. QWaLC is registered with the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission.

Through extensive research and engagement with our member groups this report presents a comprehensive picture of the overall health of Landcare in QLD in 2021/2022 including an overview of existing resource levels state-wide and within each NRM region. In summary the health of Landcare in QLD, although facing many challenges, is in reasonable shape and continues to meet the expectations of the majority of member groups.

Member Group volunteers contribute over **1,046,832 hours** annually equating to **\$43,672,831** in-kind financial value. During 2021/2022 Member Group activities engaged **307,913** people across Queensland compared to 134,618 as a result of COVID. Landholders play an active role in member groups and account for the majority of all management committee members.

The majority of Member Groups rely solely on volunteers which are mostly 45 years or older. 79.02% of Member Groups do not have any paid staff and 77.60% of Members have no full-time employees. 20.09% of Member Groups in QLD **employ a total of 476** staff and are made up of the employment types including full-time, part-time and casual. 65.74% of those employed are located in SEQ and Burnett Mary NRM Regions.

It was found that, Member Groups with a mixture of paid staff and volunteers tend to achieve greater levels of engagement with the wider community and as a consequence generating greater outcomes. This is reinforced by evidence from other Australian States that have highly successful paid community coordinator programs that support community-based Landcare groups.

51.80% of all revenue (funding and income) are for amounts less than \$5,000 while amounts between \$5,001 and \$50,000 accounts for 35.60%. Amounts greater than \$50,001 account for 13.59% of all income. 5.87% of groups depend exclusively on government funding this half as much as the previous year at 11.54% of groups. Member Groups also generate income from other sources. Collectively member groups raise 55.10% of their funds. Government funding accounts for 44.90% of all revenue: of this Local Government Authorities (LGAs) provided 7.93% of all revenue, regional NRM bodies provided 5.86%, State Government 21.45% and the Commonwealth provided 8.89%.

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The State Government is shown to be the largest supporter of member groups across Queensland with respect to funding, providing over 49.50% of the grants amount. This is in stark contrast to the previous year where Local Government were the largest supporters providing 41%. The change was due to additional State funds being made available for some large projects e.g reef assist. The majority of revenue raised by groups came from membership fees, commercial sales of products and services, public donations and other funding sources, other than Government or Regional NRM Bodies. 360 Government grants were received in 2021/2022 which is more than last year's total of 348.

Introduction

Our members, involved in sustainable agriculture, biodiversity conservation, environmental protection, advocacy and education, coastal rehabilitation, restoration and conservation, are an important part of the Qld community. Our **456** Member Groups have **32,5637.9274** community volunteers that contribute over **1,046,832 hours** annually. This figure is a decrease from the previous year (1,264,236) despite volunteer numbers increasing by almost 10% from last year. Their efforts, this year, equate to \$43,672,831 in financial value. This amount is calculated using the Australian Bureau of Statistics volunteer equivalent hourly rate of \$41.72 if paid labour was engaged to provide the same service as our community volunteers. During 2021/2022 QWaLC member group activities engaged with 307,913 people across Queensland. This is a significant of community engagement from the previous year when 134,618 were engaged in activities. This year the COVID situation still showed a reduced impact of the wider community being involved in member group activities.

Through extensive research and engagement with our member groups QWaLC presents a comprehensive picture of the overall Health of Landcare across QLD, an overview of existing resource levels state-wide and in each NRM region. In summary the Health of Landcare in Queensland, although facing many challenges, is in reasonable shape and continues to meet the expectations of Member Groups.

This report provides detailed information regarding Member Groups:

- Human resource (paid staff and volunteers),
- Core activities undertaken by groups,
- Performance and contributing factors,
- Income sources and levels (Government grants and other sources),
- Satisfaction levels with networks, support agencies and elected representatives,
- Types of projects undertaken, and
- Member group support requirements.

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The information contained in this report is outlined at a State level and regional NRM levels. The data is presented and analysed to show the distribution of Member Groups across the State according to NRM region including the level of resources in each region in correlation to numerous key categories. The following sections provide a narrative of the Health of Landcare in Queensland supported by substantive quantitative data presented in this report. It details statistical information regarding Member Groups human resources, work activities, finances, performance and satisfaction level with support networks.

Human resource demographics (paid staff and volunteers)

The most popular legal structure of groups is an incorporated association. A small minority, less than 5% are companies limited by guarantee while the balance remains unincorporated. 13.50% of incorporated groups auspice other groups in their region. Over 30% of member groups are registered as charities with the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission.

The majority of Member Groups rely solely on volunteers, many of which are, 45 years or older. 79.02% of member groups do not have any paid staff and 77.60% of members, with paid staff (20.09%), have no full-time employees. The majority of paid staff are either casual or full-time. Volunteers continue to play a vital role in Landcare. They contribute over 87,236 hours per month in order to achieve outcomes that benefit our natural environment and the wider community.

Member group volunteers contributed 1,046,832 hours of their time annually. The in-kind financial value of community volunteering is \$43,672,831. 66.58% reported that volunteer numbers are stable while 20.92% reported an increase in numbers. 12.50% reported that their volunteer numbers had decreased. Community volunteers are an equal in numbers in terms of female and male participants. The increase in volunteer numbers this year was 15% when compared last year.

Collectively member groups have almost 2,000 individuals that actively participate on management committees. Each group has, on average, 5 committee members responsible for organisational governance. The majority of committees have Individuals with expertise in business, accounting, marketing and environmental management as well as being representative of specific sections of their local communities. For example, Landholders make up over 60% of all committee members. This highlights the importance of Landcare and it's connection to and influence of sustainable land use practices.

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20.09 % of member groups in QLD employ a total of **476 staff/jobs** a decrease from last year's total of 522. They are made up of the employment types as shown in the table below. 307 of those employed are located in SEQ and the Burnet Mary region. Another 37 employed by Member Groups in the Wet Tropics region while a further 37 are located in Cape York although the majority of these employees are casual.

Employment Type

Full Time	137	Part Time	121	Casual	209	Total	476
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Generally, it was found that Member Groups that have a mixture of paid staff and volunteers tend to achieve greater levels of engagement with the wider community. **Organisational capacity is largely dependent on human resources.** While there was an increase in Volunteer numbers from the previous year, by over 15%, the majority of Member Groups meet or exceeded their expectation within their financial while rebuilding capacity and re-engaging with the wider community. 89.90% of Groups meet or exceeded their expectations. Last year that figure was 76%.

Income sources and levels (Government and other sources)

This section provides an overview of the types and levels of government funding received and income generated by member groups overall in Queensland and within NRM regions.

51.80% of all revenue received (government funding and self-generated income) were amounts of less than \$5,000 while amounts between \$5,001 and \$50,000 account for 35.49% and amounts greater than \$50,001 accounted for 13.59% of all income. Many groups are unable to rely exclusively on government funding. Member Groups generate income from other sources such as fee for service activities (on-ground work, training and plant sales) public donations and other sources. Self-generated income is 25.99% and donations from the general public account for 7.66% of revenue. Collectively Member Groups raise 55.10% of their funds. Government funding accounts for 44.90%. This is almost a 10% increase from the previous year (34.93%) of all revenue. Local Government Authorities (LGAs) provided 7.93% of all revenue and the Commonwealth provided 8.89%, Regional NRM Bodies providing 5.86% of all funding while the State Government provided 22.23%.

The State Government awarded a total of \$8,101,925 for 102 grants. 16 grants (4.08% of total grants awarded), were for more than \$100,000 each, amounting to \$6,073,081 which represents 74.96% of the total amount of funding. 2 of the 16 grants were awarded a total of \$2,948,506 which represents 36.39% of the total amount of funding.

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The Commonwealth Government awarded a total of \$3,239,511 for 65 grants. 8 grants (2.04% of total grants awarded), were for more than \$100,000 each, amounting to \$3,239,511 which represents 61.41% of the total amount of funding. 1 of the 8 grants awarded was a total of \$927,403 which represents 28.63% of the total amount of funding.

Regional NRM Bodies awarded a total of \$2,136,303 for 57 grants. 10 grants (2.55% of total grants awarded) were for more than \$50,000 each amounting to \$1,598,478 which represents 74.82% of the total amount of funding. 5 of the 10 grants awarded was a total of \$1,227,271 which represents 57.45% of the total amount of funding.

Local Government awarded a total of total of \$2,890,804 for 136 grants. 23 of the 136 grants (5.87% of total grants awarded) were for more than \$50,000 each which represents 61.64% of the total amount of grant funding. 5 of the 23 grants were for \$878,861 which represents 30.40% of the total funding amount.

360 grants were awarded amounting to a total of \$16,368,544. 57 member groups (14.54% of the 392 members surveyed), received 69.91% (\$11,442,951) of total funding amount. 183 member groups (46.68%) reported that they received no government funding. In addition to the 57 groups that received the majority of the funding 152 groups shared in \$4,925,593 of funding.

Member groups **generated \$20,084,434** of income from sales, public donations and other sources. \$9,472,761 of income was generated from sales of good and services. 9 member groups (2.30%) generated 85.12% of sales income. 6 groups (1.53%) received 42.60% of the \$2,790,706 donated by the public. 18 groups (4.59%) reported that they received 72.06% of the income, \$7,820,973, received from other sources. This means 33 groups (16.84%) received a total of \$16,410,161 of income which represents 81.71% of the total of all income received. 285 groups (72.70%) received a total of \$3,674,273 of income which represents 18.29% of all income received. 74 groups (18.88%) reported that they received no income.

63.50% of income amounts raised by Member Groups, excluding Government funding, were for amounts of less than \$5,000. 27.17% were for amounts from \$5,001 to \$50,000 and 9.33% were for amounts greater than \$50,000. 31.94% of Government grants amounts received by member groups were less than \$5,000 while 47.22% were for amounts from \$5,001 to \$50,000. Amounts received in ranges exceeding \$50,001 amount to 20.83% of granted amounts received. A total of 360 grants were received by QWaLC member groups during 2021/2022 compared to 343 grants received in the previous year.

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Of the Government funding received by member groups, LGAs provided 17.66% which is a significant decrease from the previous year at 41.11%. Regional NRM bodies provided 13.05%. This is almost double the grants given in the previous year (7.87%). The State government provided 49.50% of the total grants. This is a significant increase from the previous year as a result of a small number of large grants being awarded. The Commonwealth government provided 25.95% of the total government funding which is 6.16% more than the previous year (19.79%) as a result of 1 large grant being awarded. Local Government is shown to have been particularly supportive providing member groups with funding in SEQ, Terrain NRM, Burnett Mary, Condamine and QMD. The majority of the grants received, 79.17%, were for amounts of less than \$50,000. These figures do not include the significant in-kind support that many local governments offer to community groups.

53.32% (last year 58.28%) of Member Groups received Government funding while 46.68% of groups did not receive any. 33.67% of Members relied solely on Government funding, 47.45% had a mixture of grants and self-generated revenue and 5.87% existed solely on self-generated revenue.

The majority of Member Groups raise and receive small amounts, of less than \$5,000, and still managed to achieve positive outcomes for their local natural environment thereby enabling them to meet their expectations. A small number of groups, 10.20%, had not meet their expectations during 2021/2022.

Performance and Contributing Factors

The performance of groups is influenced by numerous factors. Their ability to meet or exceed their expectations is largely determined by how successful they are at securing and managing human and financial resources. It is also dependent on the availability of resources such as government funding together with a service and advice support network such as that provided by QWaLC and other organisations.

In 2021/2022 89.80% of member groups met or exceeded their expectations while 10.20% member groups that did not meet their expectations. 51 groups (13.05%) reported that they received no funding or income.

Groups that are engaged with their community in partnerships with local business and other groups benefit through low or no cost provision of additional resources to support their organisational aspirations and activities. This also results in greater engagement with the wider community providing the ability for others to support Landcare in their local area. Some of the benefits include volunteer labour or services free or discounted use of facilities, free or discounted materials, cash donations, free or discounted use of equipment, free or discounted advertising or discounted labour or services.

Identified Support Requirements

Member groups were asked the type of support their group required to maintain and improve their performance. The top priorities were:

Business Development	45.28%
Human Resources	39.66%
Compliance	7.30%

7.76% of member groups reported that they did not require any support other than insurance coverage.

Core Activities Undertaken by Groups

Our member groups undertake an extensive range of activities that provide jobs, improve our landscape's resilience, generate income, protect our natural resources, and engage with the wider community. Vegetation management, primarily on-ground works, and training programs such as field days and works are activities that many member groups undertake. Vegetation management results in the reduction of weeds and extension of native riparian plantings that improves the health of waterways and provides habitat for native animals and birds.

Groups also develop and provide printed materials, advisory services, produce native plants and conduct conferences and expos. These activities and many others act to help manage and protect our natural resource while resulting in the sharing of knowledge of sustainable land-use practices and raising the awareness of the work that Landcare does in local communities. These activities attract new members and volunteers. Collectively member groups engaged with **307,913** people across Queensland. This amount was a **significant increase** on the previous year of 134,618 owing to the easing of COVID restrictions during 2021/2022.

Some of the other activities carried out by member groups include:

- Monitoring programs including marine mammal and water quality,
- Fencing to protect natural habitat from feral animals and reduce waterway erosion,
- Establishing and developing programs with land managers to improve productivity and landscape resilience,
- Wildlife clinics and native animal rescue and rehabilitation,
- Community gardens that provide produce for local, and
- Clean-up events.

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The section below details the type of level of activities undertaken by member groups during 2021/2022.

Landcare - On-ground Activities

Vegetation Management	10.26%
Wildlife Monitoring	6.61%
Litter Removal	5.08%
Feral Animal Control/Monitoring	5.03%
Sustainable Agriculture Practices	4.81%
Production of Native Plants	4.07%
Community Gardening	3.65%
Wildlife Rescue/Rehabilitation	3.28%
Fencing	3.17%
Marine Area Conservation	3.12%
Fire Management	1.96%
Production of Edible Plants	1.48%
Total On-Ground	52.54%

Education & Training (Landcare Related)

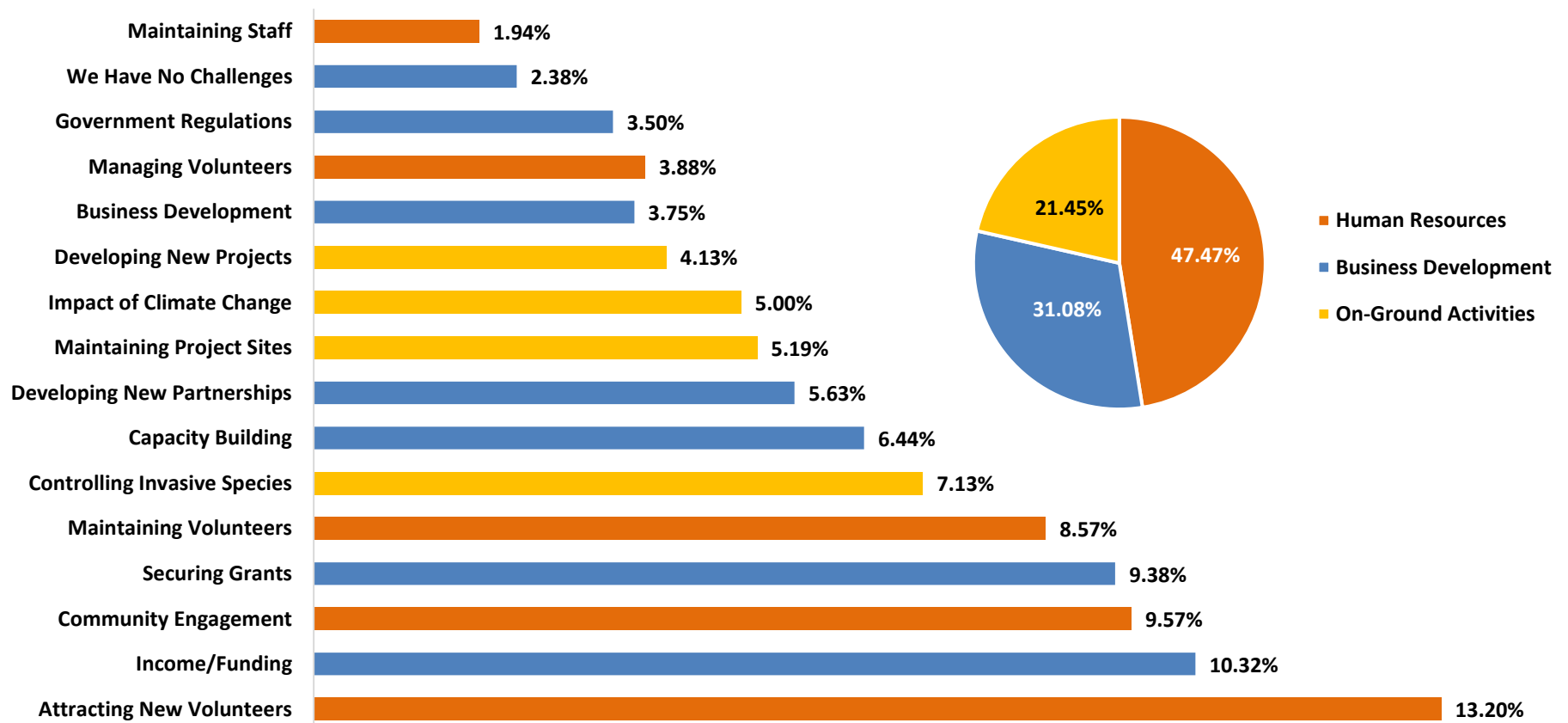
Workshops/Field Days	11.48%
Education/Outreach Services	9.52%
Publication of Printed Materials	5.66%
Annual Expo or Conference	3.44%
Eco-Tourism Activities	3.28%
Total Educational	33.39%
Other	
GIS Mapping Services	1.16%
Consultancy or Advocacy	6.19%
Scientific Research	3.86%
Hiring/Facilities or Equipment	2.86%
Total Other	14.07%

This year members have undertaken a total of 339 projects.

Member Group Challenges for the Year Ahead

Member groups were asked the following open-ended question: “What are the biggest challenges your group faces in the coming year?” The responses showed that maintaining and recruiting members and volunteers and securing and maintaining sufficient funding are top priorities for 2022/2023. On-ground work challenges and climate also rated as concerns among member groups as shown in the graph below.

Graph 1: QWaLC Member Groups Biggest Challenges for 2022/2023

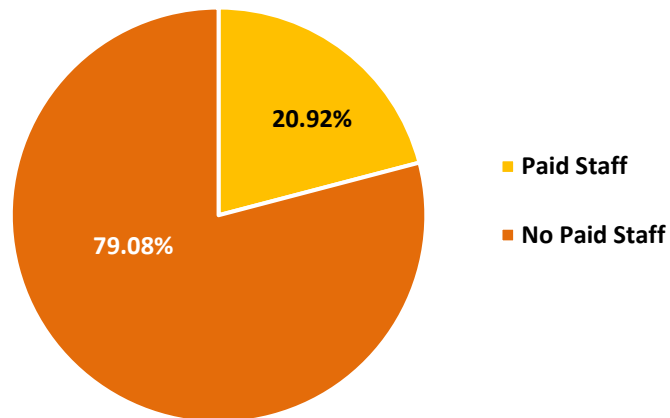


Data Presentation

Member Groups and Human Resources

Graph 2 shows that 79.08% of Member Groups do not have any paid staff and rely solely on their members and volunteers to achieve outcomes for their natural environment and the wider community. The majority of employees are either part-time or casual (70.66%). 20.92% of Member Groups in QLD employ a total of 467 staff which is 55 less than last year. SEQ and Burnett Mary regions employ 65.74% of those employed by member groups. Employment types and associated amounts as shown in below.

Graph 2: QWaLC Member Group Paid Staff Status

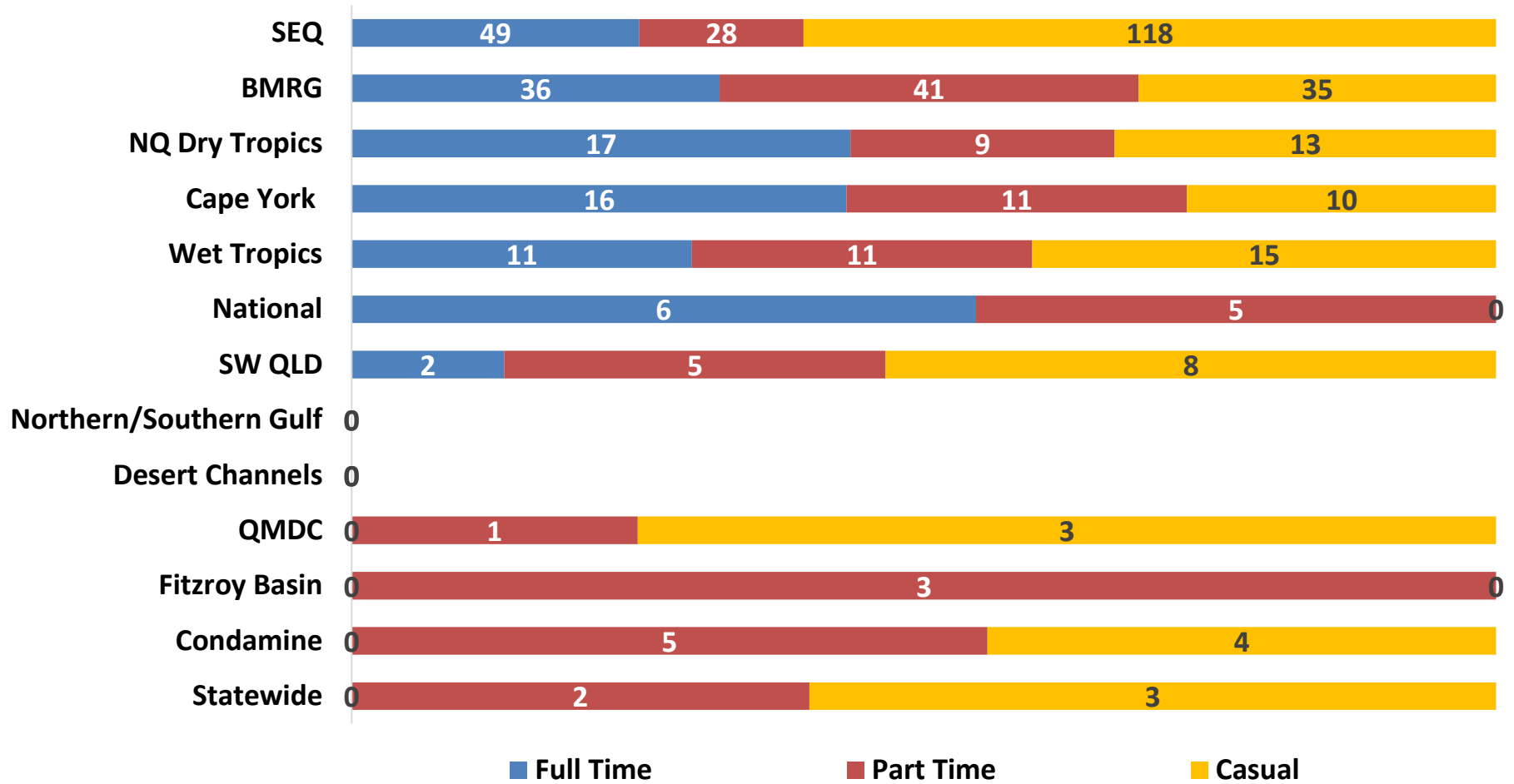


Employee Type and Total

Full Time:	137
Part Time:	121
Casual:	209
Total:	467

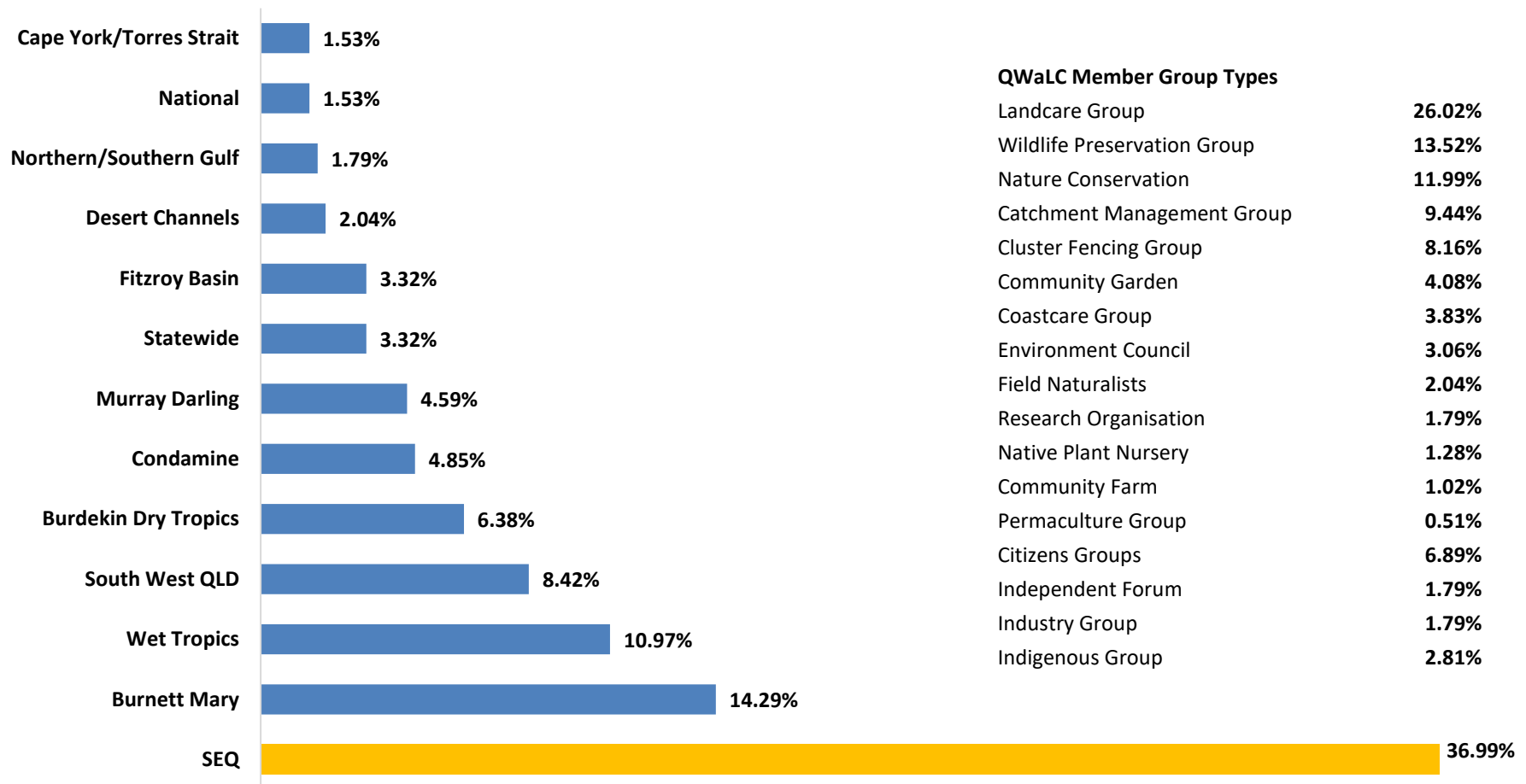
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Graph 3: QWaLC Member Group Employee Type Numbers by Region



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Graph 4: Distribution of QWaLC Member Groups in Each Region & Group Types



The above graph outlines the distribution of Member Groups according to NRM regions. 36.99% of member groups are located in SEQ, while the others are spread across Queensland in coastal, rural and remote areas. The vast majority of groups are focussed on restoration, protection and conservation of the natural environment in their local areas.

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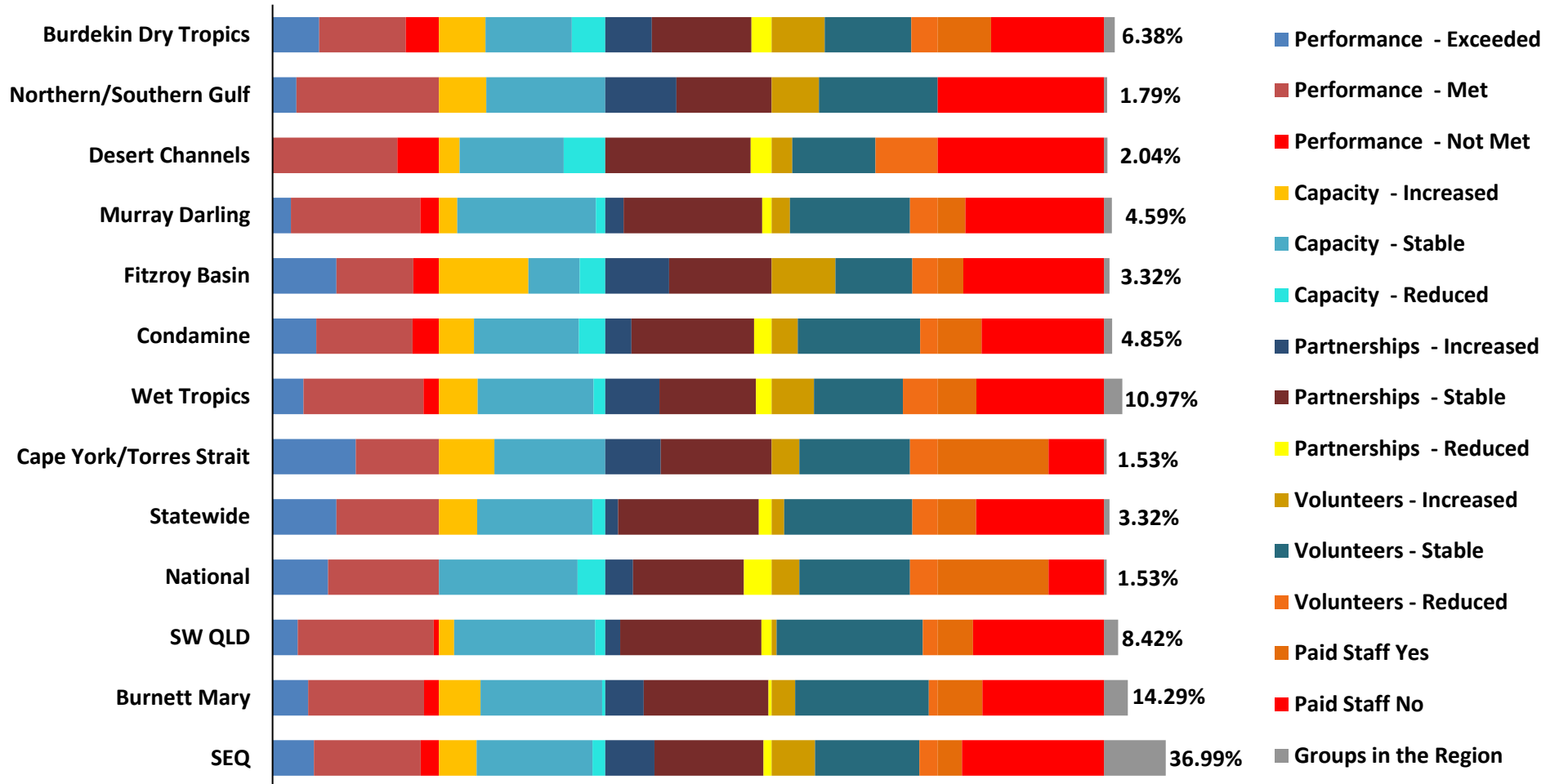
Table 1: Wider-Community Engagement by Region from 2019 to 2022

QWaLC NRM Region	2021/2022	2020/2021	2019/2020
SEQ	192,807	80,349	321,603
Burnett Mary	68,849	7,535	41,367
South West QLD	3,036	1,363	466
National	1,830	7,008	8,435
Statewide	13,365	674	741
Cape York/Torres Strait	535	680	492
Wet Tropics	11,402	21,866	27,369
Condamine	6,397	2,050	3,089
Fitzroy Basin	1,407	3,764	17,203
Murray Darling	1,344	3,546	1,742
Desert Channels	91	89	106
Northern/Southern Gulf	657	601	1,682
Burdekin Dry Tropics	1,957	4,731	8,557
Total	303,677	134,256	432,852

The above table showed in 2021/2022 that Member Groups ability to engage the wider community is showing signs of recovery post COVID. Levels of engagement were show to be heading towards those experience during 2019/2020.

Graph 5: The Correlation of Employment and Other Data Categories by NRM Region

QWaLC Member Group Performance, Capacity & Resource Levels by Region



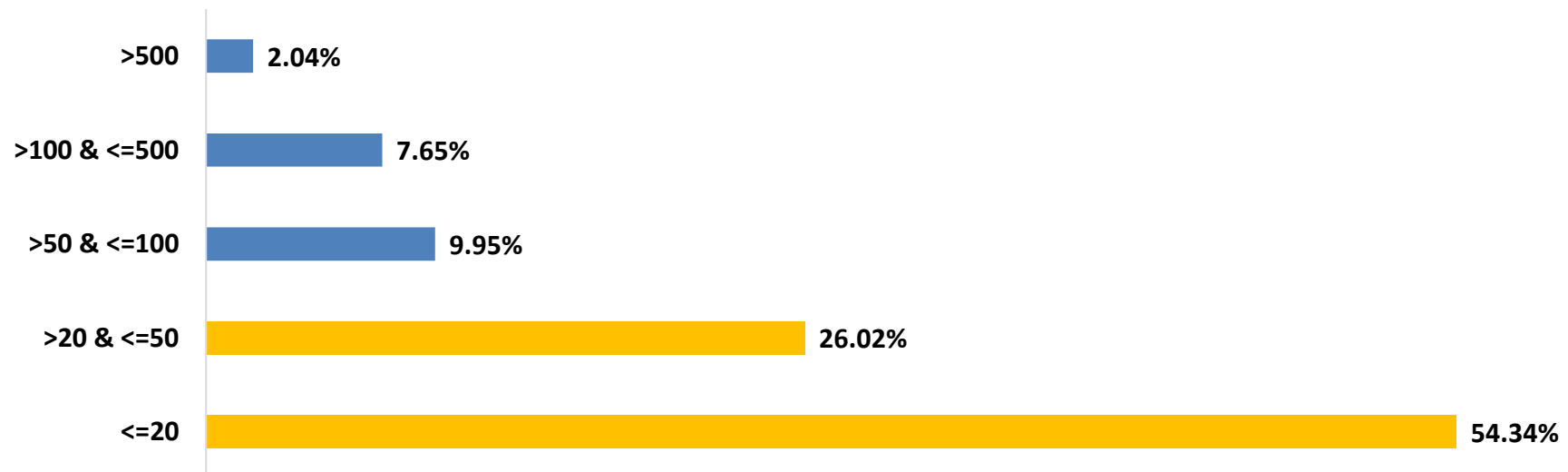
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The above graph provides the opportunity to assess and compare the performance of member groups in each NRM Region. For example, although Member Groups in Wet Tropics have limited paid staff they managed to generate a balance of income, grants, capacity (levels of Volunteers) and wider community engagement. While in Cape York they have a small number of Member Groups with high levels of paid staff, low levels of volunteering, grants and self-generated income together with limited wider community engagement.

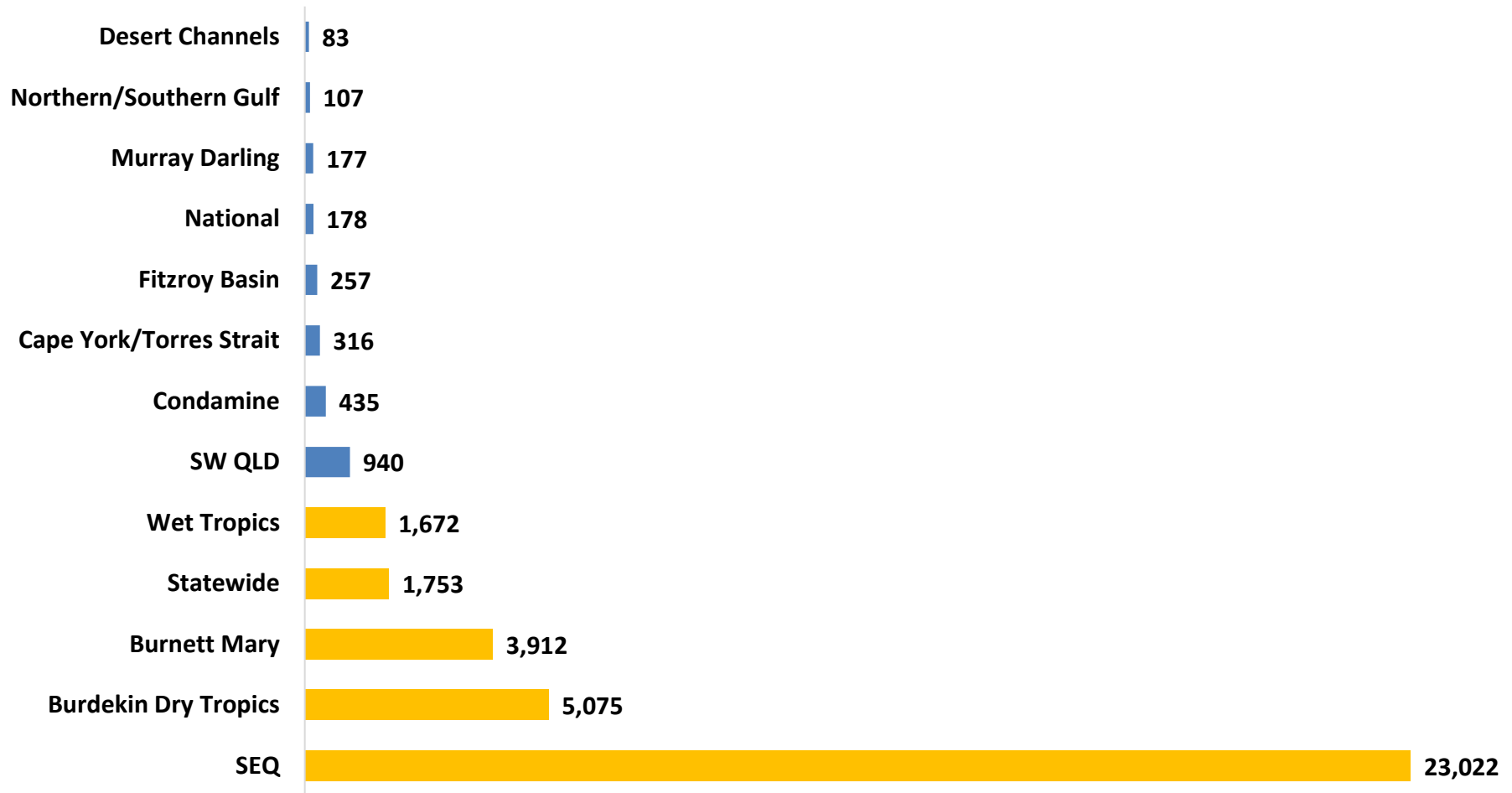
Member Groups and Volunteers

QWaLC Member Groups have 37,927 volunteers. 54.34% have 20 volunteers or less. While 26.02% of member groups have between 21 and 50 volunteers. 9.95% of groups between 51 and 100 volunteers and 9.69% have over 100 volunteers. Each month these volunteers provide 87,236 hours or 1,046,832 hours annually. This equates to an annual in-kind value of \$43,673,831 in labour and other support services. This contribution was calculated using the Australian Bureau of Statistics rate of \$41.72/h (2019).

Graph 6: Member Group Volunteer Numbers - 2021/2022



Graph 7: Member Group Volunteer Numbers by QWaLC NRM Region- 2021/2022



The above graph shows that over half of the total number of volunteers are in SEQ given that about 37% of QWaLC member groups are based in that NRM Region.

Member Groups and Activities

The main work activities undertaken by member group’s volunteers and paid staff are outlined in the table below. There are a wide range of activities related to natural resource management, either directly through on-ground work or presenting information through education events such training sessions, workshops and field days. A greater awareness Landcare is promoted through conferences and expos.

Table 2: Work Activities Undertaken by Member Groups	% of Total
Workshops/Field Days	11.48%
Vegetation Management	10.26%
Education/Outreach Services	9.52%
Wildlife Monitoring	6.61%
Consultancy or Advocacy	6.19%
Publication of Printed Materials	5.66%
Litter Removal	5.08%
Feral Animal Control/Monitoring	5.03%
Sustainable Agriculture Practices	4.81%
Production of Native Plants	4.07%
Scientific Research	3.86%
Community Gardening	3.65%
Annual Expo or Conference	3.44%
Eco-Tourism Activities	3.28%
Wildlife Rescue/Rehabilitation	3.28%
Fencing	3.17%
Marine Area Conservation	3.12%
Hiring/Facilities or Equipment	2.86%
Fire Management	1.96%
Production of Edible Plants	1.48%
GIS Mapping Services	1.16%

Member Groups and Organisational Performance Factor Impacts

Factors that affect member group's performance include the availability of organisational resources such as the number of paid staff, access to support services, the number of member/volunteers, the number of partnerships with local business and the amount of income generated from activities other than grants funds. The level of support and funding available from and provided by key agencies such region NRM bodies and all levels of government can also impact whether a group meets, exceeds or failures to meet their expectations.

The graphs on the follow page show that:

Group Expectations – Graph 8.1

89.90% of member groups met or exceed their expectations for 2021/2022 as opposed to the previous year when this figure was 90.29%.

Group Capacity Levels – Graph 8.2

69.39% reported that their capacity levels were stable while 22.45% reported an increase.

Group Partnership Levels – Graph 8.3

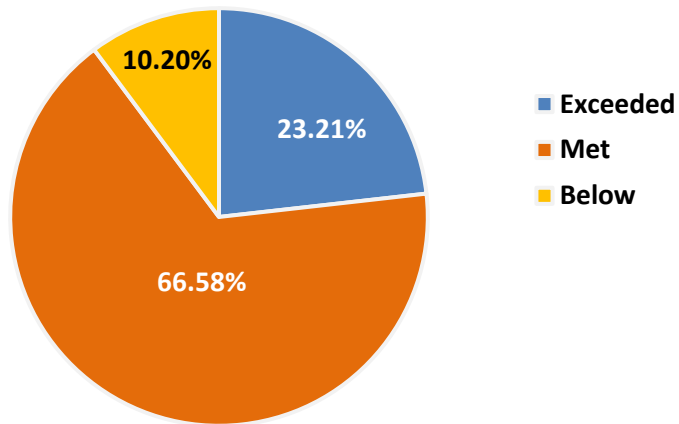
Stability of local partnerships was exactly the same as group stability level with respect to capacity levels while there was a big increasase than capacity levels.

Group Volunteer Levels – Graph 8.4

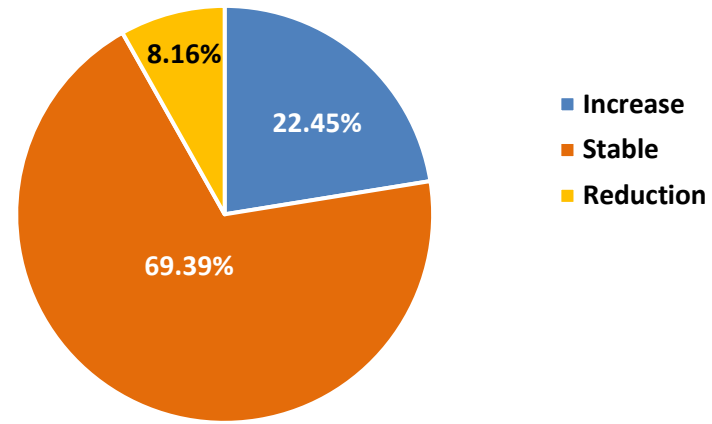
The majority of groups (66.58%) reported volunteer numbers were stable with 20.92% reporting an increase in numbers. The balance of 12.50% reported a reduction in numbers.

Graph 8: Member Group Performance – Expectations, Capacity, Partnerships and Volunteer Levels

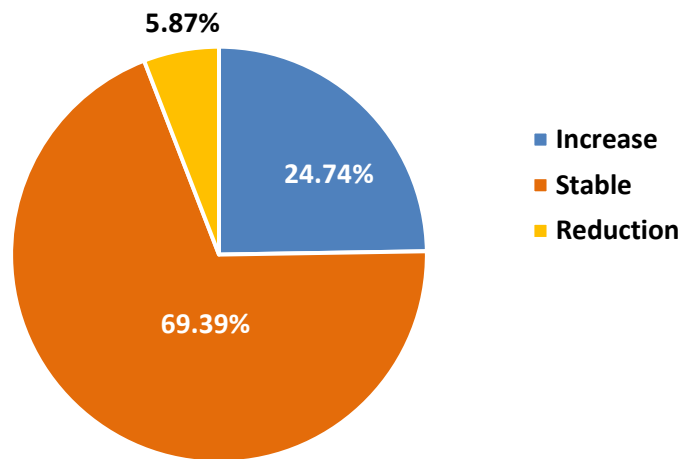
Graph 8.1 - Member Group Expectations



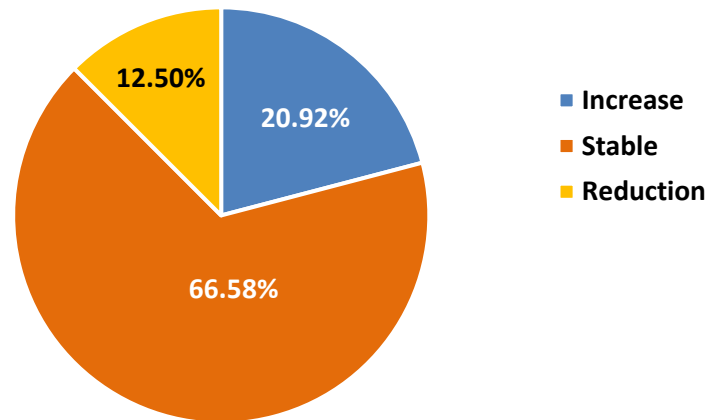
Graph 8.2 - Member Group Capacity Levels



Graph 8.3 - Member Group Partnership Levels

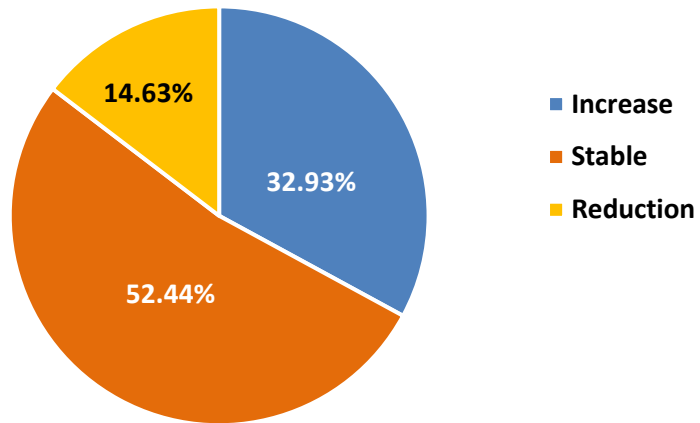


Graph 8.4 - QWaLC Member Group Volunteer Levels

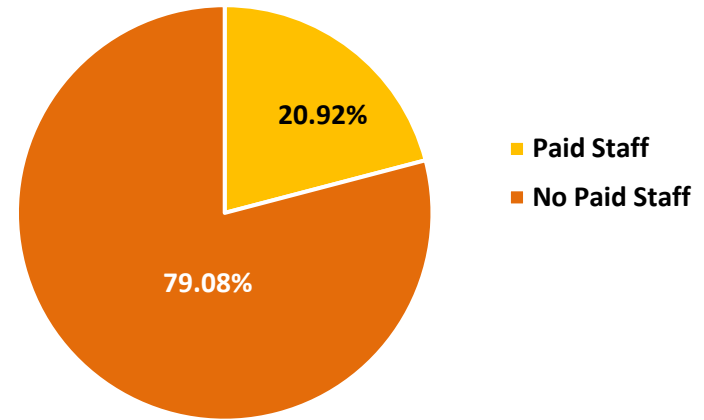


Graph 9: Member Group Performance – Groups with Paid Staff and Staff Levels

Graph 9.1 - Paid Staff Levels

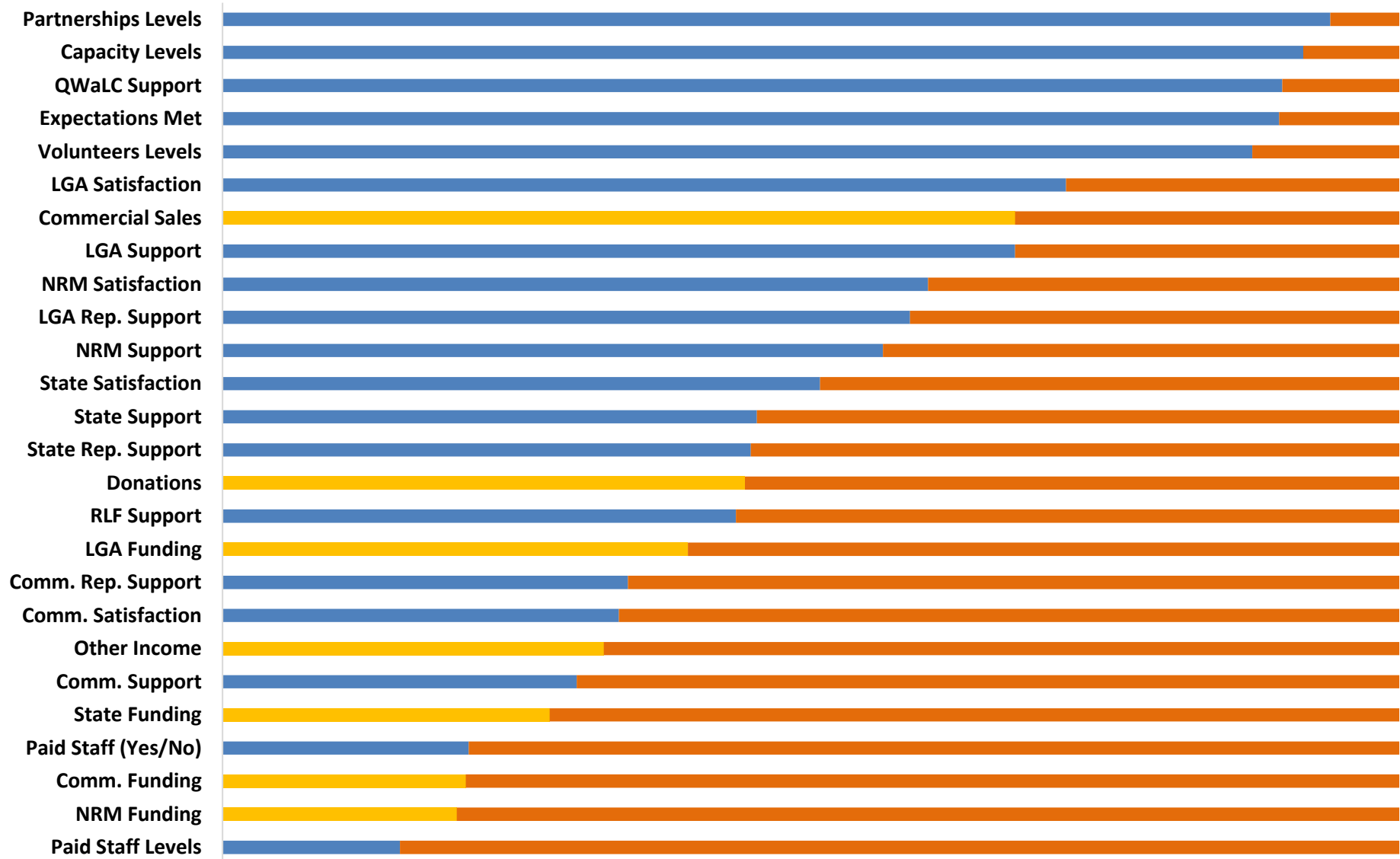


Graph 9.2 - Groups with Paid Staff



The above graphs show that there was a 14.63% reduction on staffing levels for the 20.92% of member groups that have paid employees.

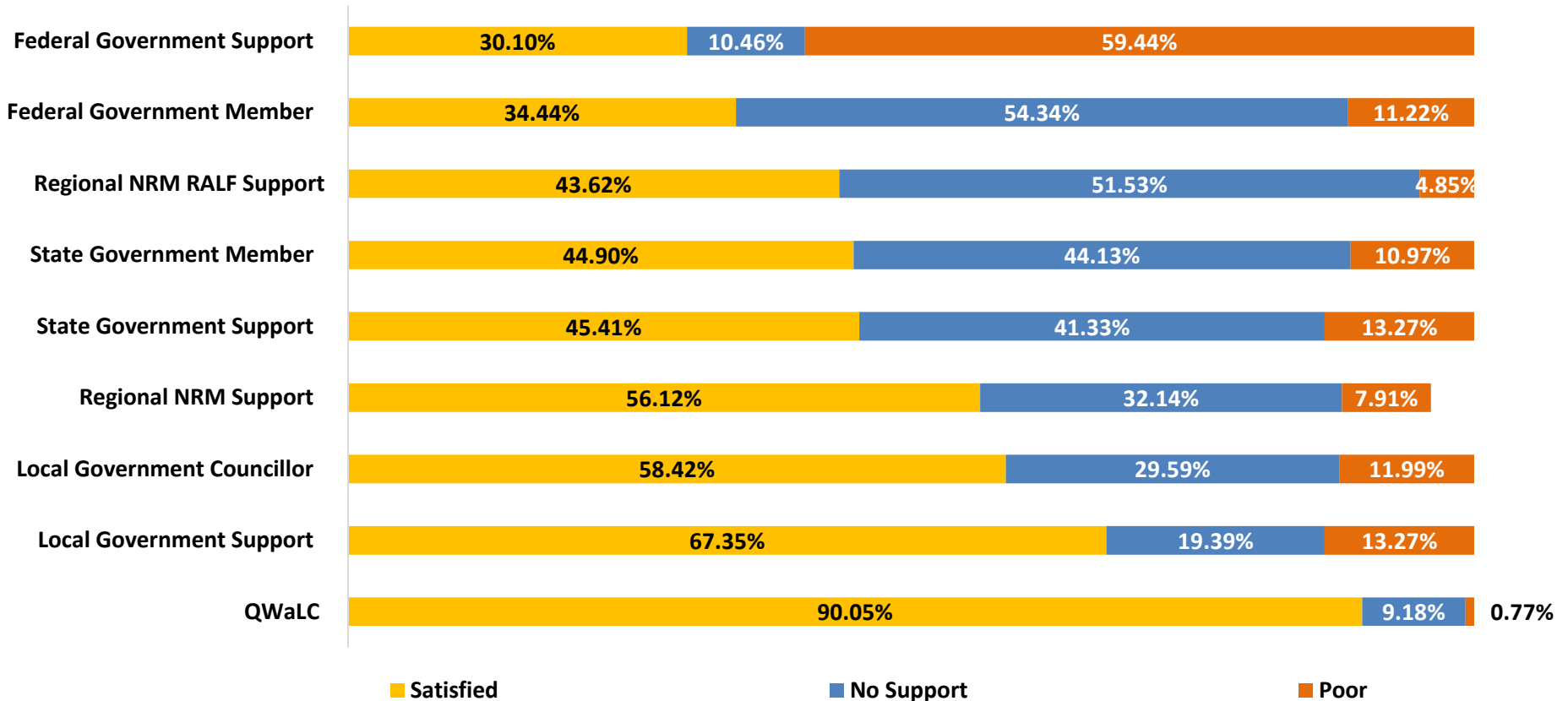
Graph 10: Factors That Influence Member Group Performance



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Member Group and Their Satisfaction Levels

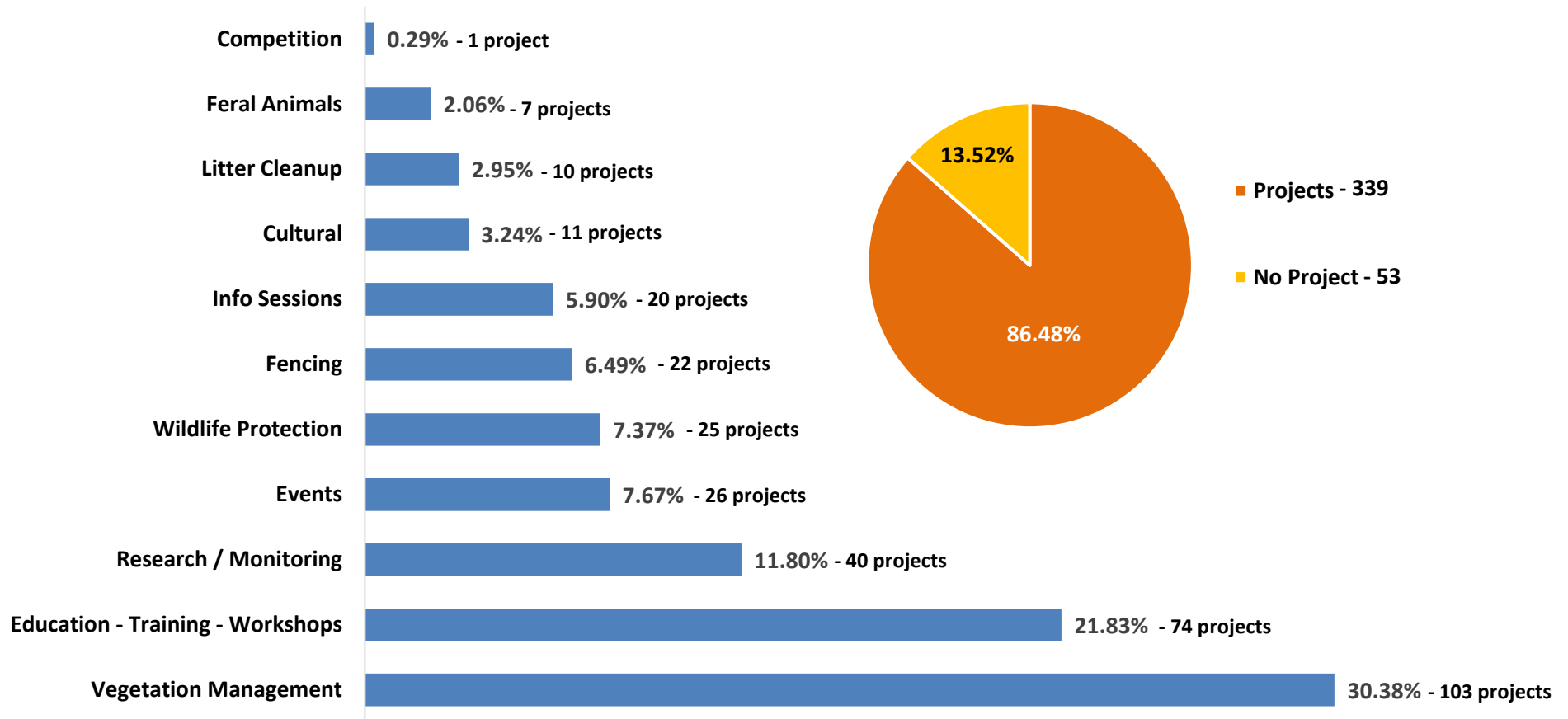
Graph 11: Member Group Satisfaction Ratings with Organisations, Agencies and Elected Representatives – 2021/2022



The above graph shows member group’s satisfaction levels with the support agencies and elected representatives. 90.05% of members were satisfied with the support they receive from QWaLC while LGAs and NRM bodies received reasonable levels of satisfaction by members. The level of satisfaction with elected representatives was less than 45% in all cases except for Local Government Councillors - 58.42%.

Member Groups Example Projects undertaken

Graph 12: Member Group Example Project Types Reported During 2021/2022



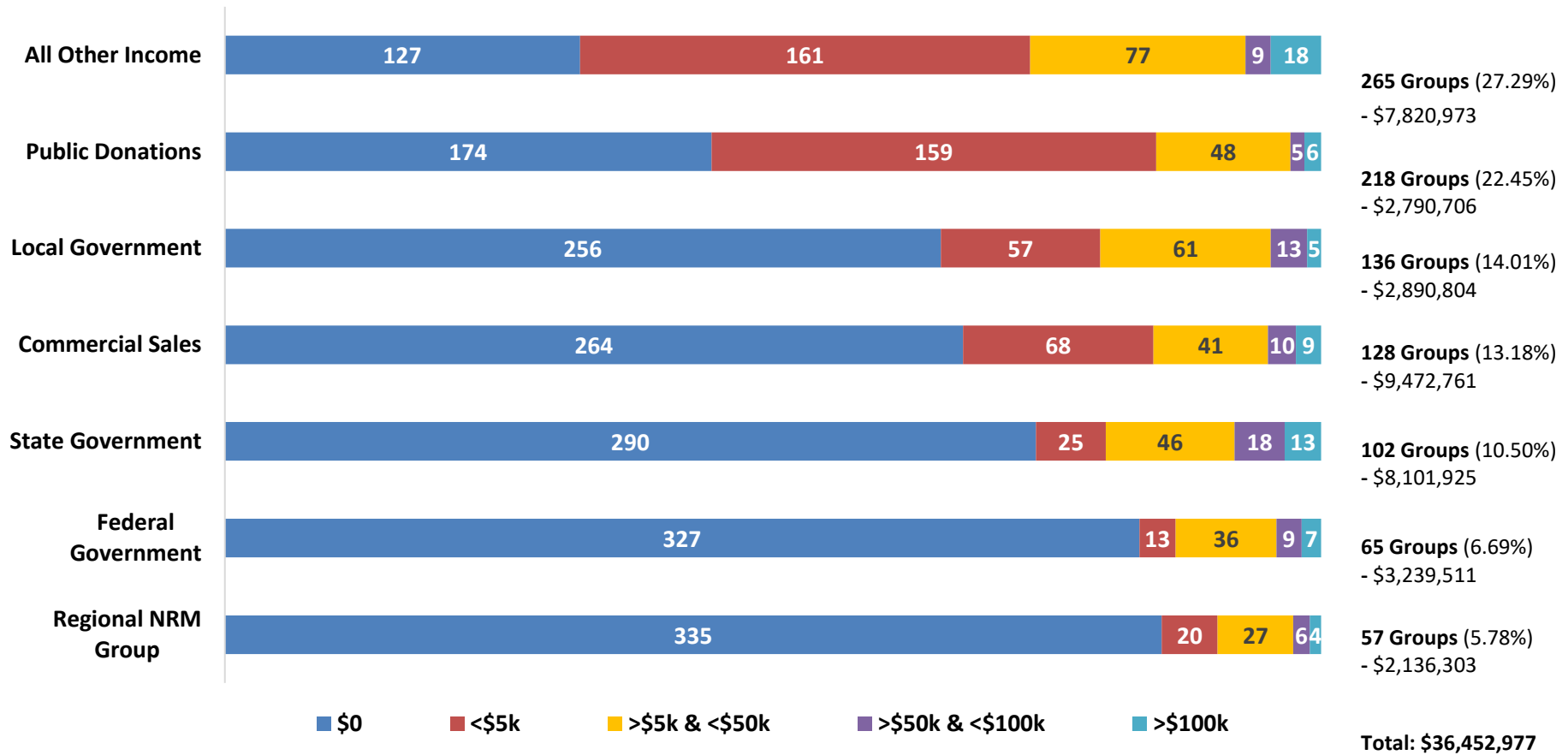
QWaLC Member Groups reported a total of 339 example projects in 2021/2022. Last year there were 293 reported example projects completed. The graph above shows the project categories and the number of projects undertaken in each. Many projects related to on-ground works, education and training and research/monitoring.

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The above graph provides a representation of the factors that influence Member Group performance. These include volunteers and member numbers, maintaining organisational capacity and local partnerships and sources of income and funding. Essentially, the length of a blue or yellowish bar indicates the levels of each category. For example paid staff levels are very low in comparison to the level of local partnerships.

Member Groups and Funding/Income Sources

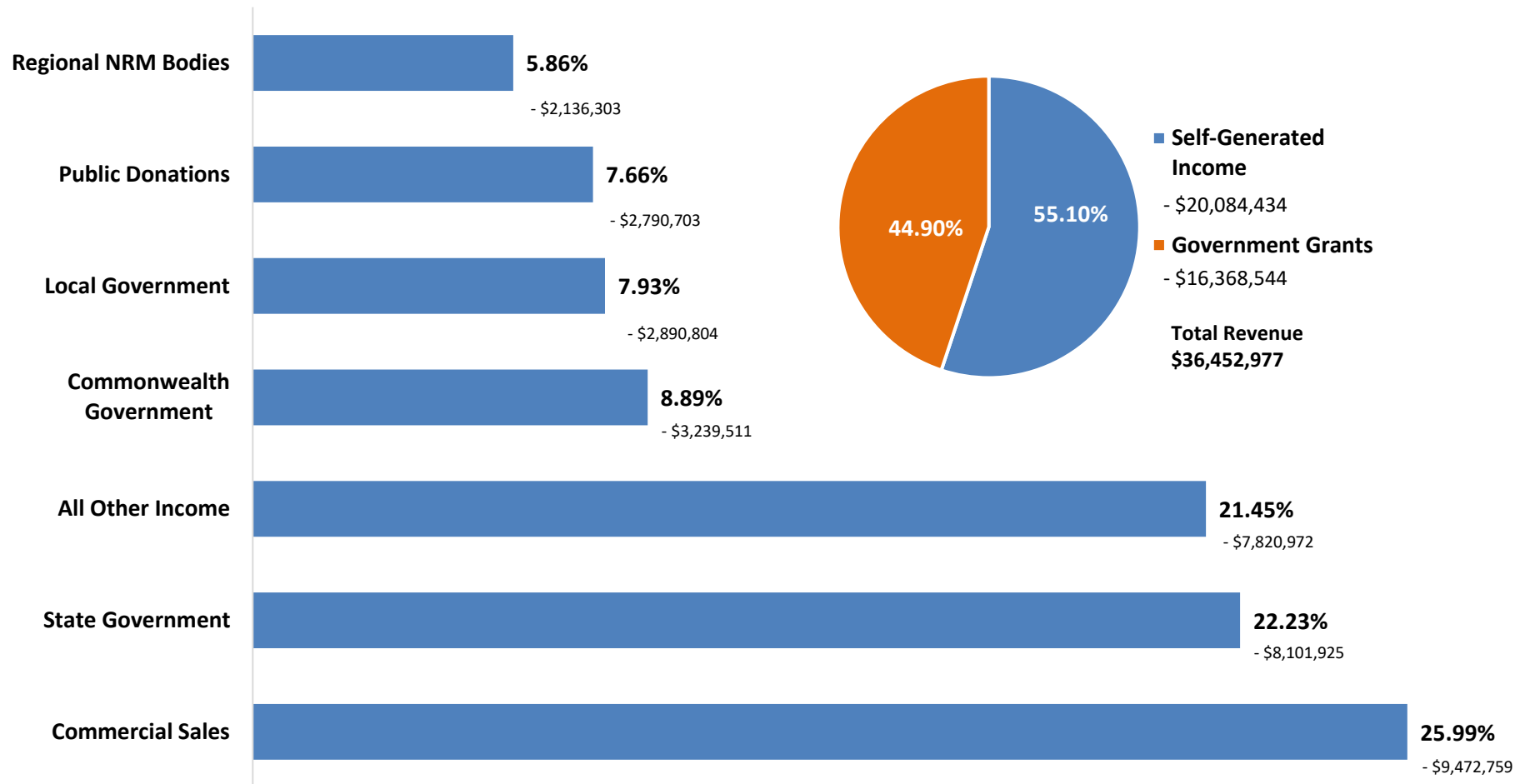
Graph 13: Member Group Sources of Income/Funding - 2021/2022



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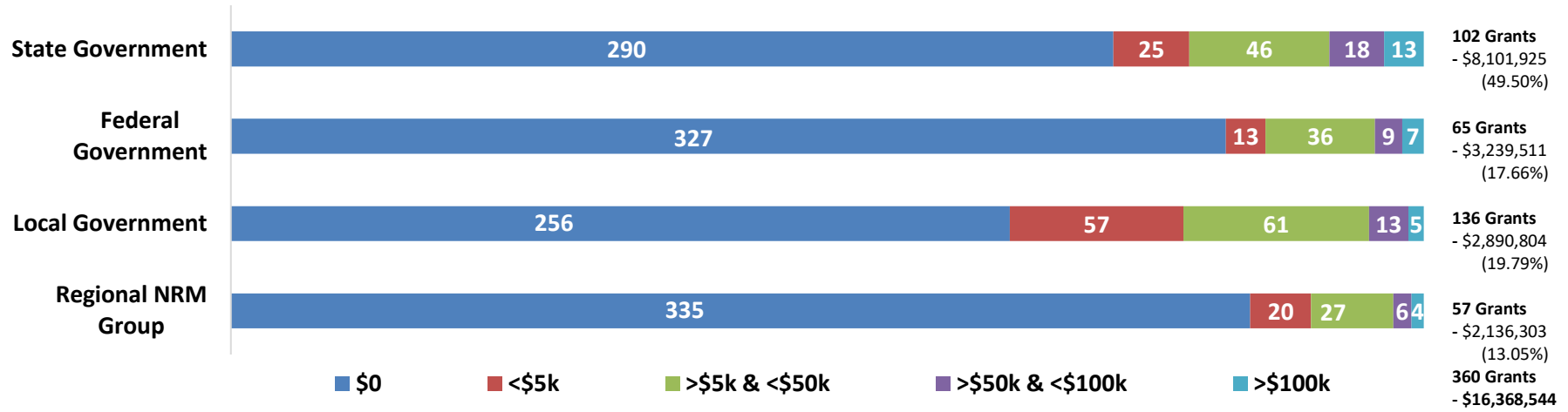
The above graph shows the level and type revenue generated income or received, through grants, by member groups. Member groups are reliant on income and grants.

Graph 14: Sources and Proportions of Funding and Income Received reported by Member Groups - 2021/2022

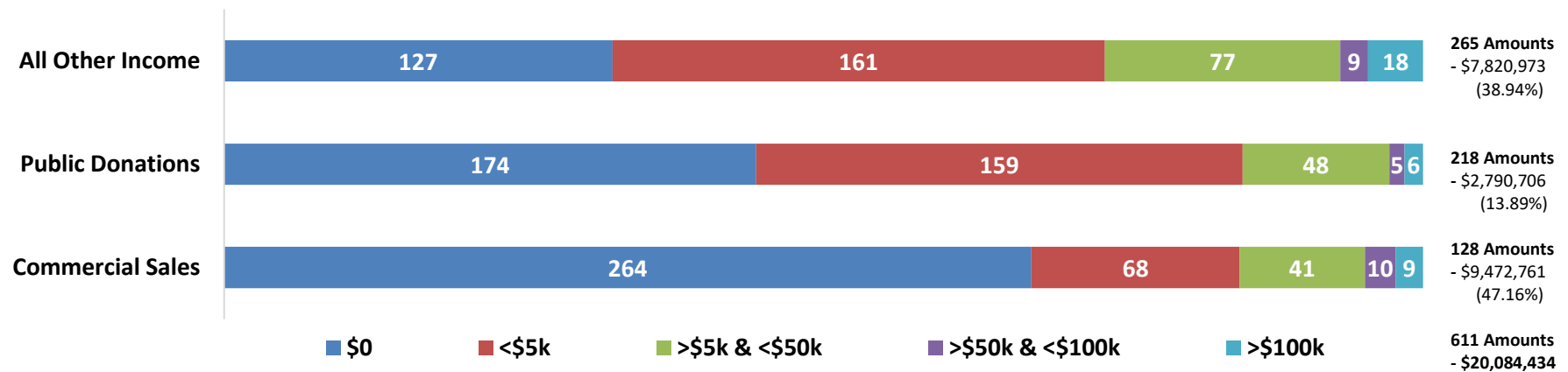


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Graph 15: QWaLC Member Groups Grants Received by Funding Source



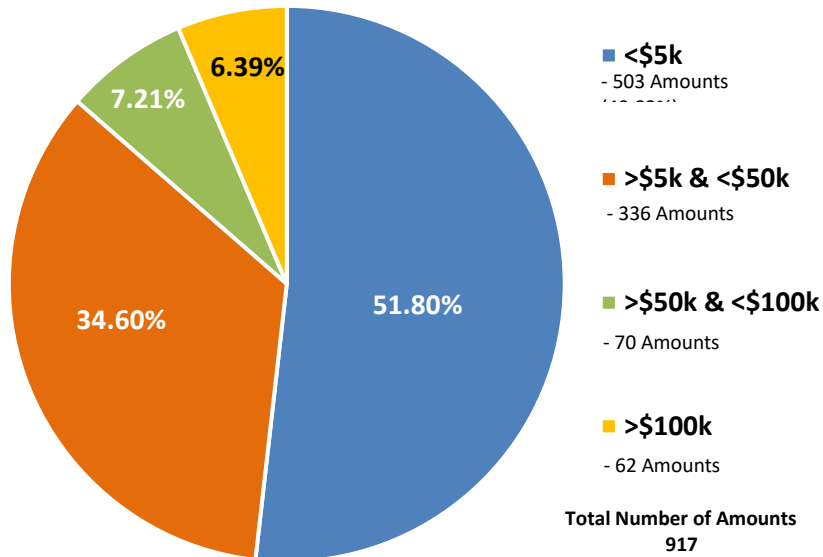
Graph 16: QWaLC Member Groups Self-Generated Income (Other than Grants) by Source



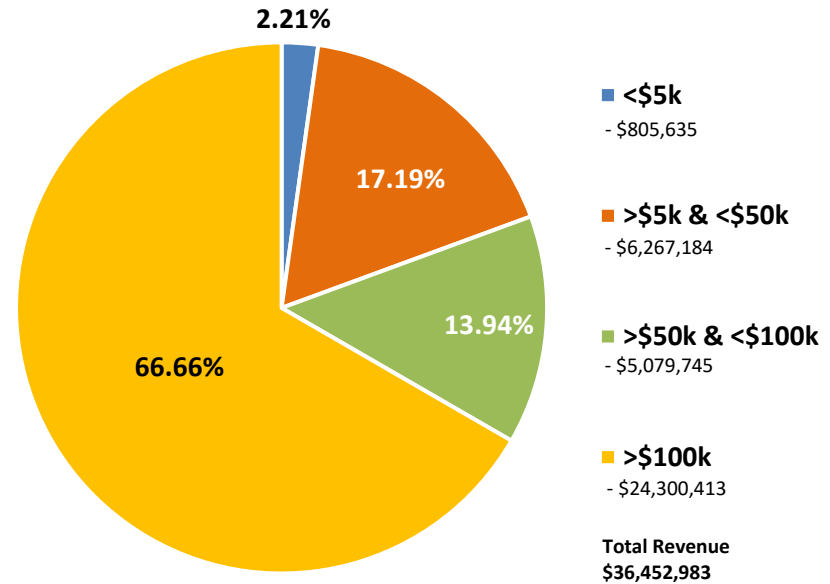
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Graph 17: QWaLC Member Groups Income and Funding Amounts According Revenue Ranges

Graph 15.1 - All Revenue (Grants + Income) Ranges

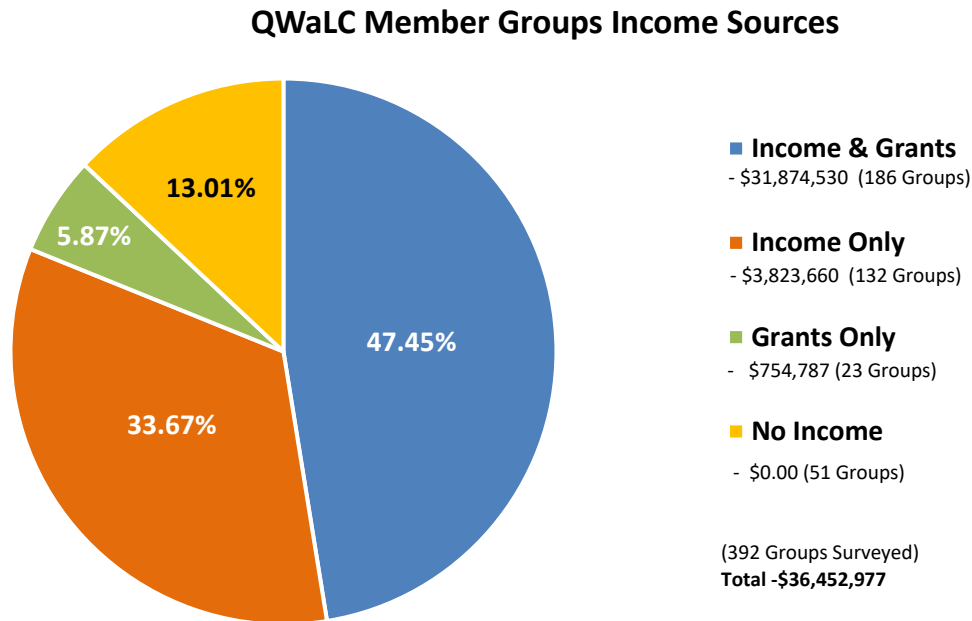


Graph 15.2 All Revenue (Grants + Income) Ranges



The above graphs show that most individual amounts of income or grants were \$5,000 or less while the vast majority of individual revenue were amounts greater than \$100,000. 62 amounts totalled \$24,300,413 while 503 individual amounts only totalled \$805,635.

Graph 18: All Sources of Income Based on Amount Ranges Received by Member Groups – 2020/21



The above graph shows that the majority member groups, 47.45%, generated revenue and secured grants. 23 groups depended solely on grants while 132 groups generated income and received no grants. 13.01% of member groups reported that received no income or grants during 2021/2022.

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QWaLC Member Groups - Government Funding Source, Number of Grants & Totals by Region

Burdekin Dry Topics	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	7	18	4	3	0	0	7	\$158,900
State Government	7	18	1	1	2	3	7	\$775,870
Commonwealth Government	2	23	0	1	1	0	2	\$83,065
Regional NRM Group	7	18	1	4	0	2	7	\$563,881
25 Groups - 13 Received Grants - 12 Did Not	13	12	6	9	3	5	23	\$1,581,715

Burnett Mary	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	21	35	3	14	2	2	21	\$663,889
State Government	18	38	3	9	3	3	18	\$2,555,797
Commonwealth Government	15	41	2	9	0	4	15	\$1,640,735
Regional NRM Group	8	48	2	3	2	1	8	\$392,605
56 Groups - 31 Received Grants - 25 Did Not	31	25	10	35	7	10	62	\$5,253,026

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Cape York/Torres Strait	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	1	5	0	1	0	0	1	\$23,000
State Government	3	3	0	1	0	2	3	\$1,599,747
Commonwealth Government	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Regional NRM Group	1	5	0	0	1	0	1	\$95,000
6 Groups - 3 Received Grants - 3 Did Not	3	3	0	2	1	2	5	\$1,717,747

Condamine	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	5	14	4	1	0	0	5	\$27,550
State Government	7	12	0	5	2	0	7	\$263,354
Commonwealth Government	5	14	0	2	2	1	5	\$269,836
Regional NRM Group	3	16	1	2	0	0	3	\$28,078
19 Groups - 12 Received Grants - 7 Did Not	12	7	5	10	4	1	20	\$588,818

Desert Channels	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
State Government	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Commonwealth Government	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Regional NRM Group	1	7	1	0	0	0	1	\$4,400
8 Groups - 1 Received Grants - 7 Did Not	1	7	1	0	0	0	1	\$4,400

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Fitzroy Basin	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	5	8	5	0	0	0	5	\$12,600
State Government	3	10	0	1	2	0	3	\$173,799
Commonwealth Government	2	11	1	1	0	0	2	\$10,500
Regional NRM Group	5	8	3	2	0	0	5	\$22,480
13 Groups - 8 Received Grants - 5 Did Not	8	5	9	4	2	0	15	\$219,379

Murray Darling	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	4	14	3	0	1	0	4	\$63,271
State Government	3	15	0	1	0	2	3	\$227,385
Commonwealth Government	2	16	1	1	0	0	2	\$50,715
Regional NRM Group	1	17	0	1	0	0	1	\$12,000
18 Groups - 8 Received Grants - 10 Did Not	8	10	4	3	1	2	10	\$353,371

National	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
State Government	3	3	1	2	0	0	3	\$32,624
Commonwealth Government	2	4	0	2	0	0	2	\$30,000
Regional NRM Group	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
6 Groups - 3 Received Grants - 3 Did Not	3	3	1	4	0	0	5	\$62,624

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Northern & Southern Gulf	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	3	4	3	0	0	0	3	\$5,550
State Government	1	6	1	0	0	0	1	\$4,500
Commonwealth Government	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Regional NRM Group	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
7 Groups - 3 Received Grants - 4 Did Not	3	4	4	0	0	0	4	\$10,050

SEQ	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	70	75	24	34	10	2	70	\$1,641,189
State Government	37	108	15	14	6	2	37	\$1,613,648
Commonwealth Government	28	117	7	16	3	2	28	\$809,085
Regional NRM Group	16	129	8	7	1	0	16	\$241,215
145 Groups - 87 Received Grants - 58 Did Not	87	58	54	71	20	6	151	\$4,305,138

State-Wide	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	2	11	0	2	0	0	2	\$30,400
State Government	3	10	1	2	0	0	3	\$44,389
Commonwealth Government	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Regional NRM Group	2	11	0	2	0	0	2	\$36,000
13 Groups - 6 Received Grants - 7 Did Not	6	7	1	6	0	0	7	\$110,789

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South West Queensland	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	7	26	3	3	0	1	7	\$216,738
State Government	4	29	1	3	0	0	4	\$30,998
Commonwealth Government	3	30	0	1	2	0	3	\$193,026
Regional NRM Group	5	28	1	3	1	0	5	\$123,500
33 Groups - 12 Received Grants - 21 Did Not	12	21	5	10	3	1	19	\$564,262

Wet Tropics	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Local Government	11	32	8	3	0	0	11	\$47,717
State Government	13	30	2	7	3	1	13	\$779,814
Commonwealth Government	6	37	2	3	1	0	6	\$152,550
Regional NRM Group	8	35	3	3	1	1	8	\$617,144
43 Groups - 22 Received Grants - 21 Did Not	22	21	15	16	5	2	38	\$1,597,225

	Amounts	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Grants	Total Value
Total Grants	136	256	57	61	13	5	136	\$2,890,804
Groups that Received Grants	102	290	25	46	18	13	102	\$8,101,925
Groups that did not Receive Grants	65	327	13	36	9	7	65	\$3,239,511
Total Groups	57	335	20	27	6	4	57	\$2,136,303
Total Received Grants			115	170	46	29	360	\$16,368,544

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QWaLC Member Groups - Income Source, Number of Amounts & Totals by NRM Region Income Source by NRM Region

	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Burdekin Dry Topics								
Commercial Sales	15	10	7	5	2	1	15	\$395,704
Public Donations	15	10	9	5	0	1	15	\$390,724
All Other Income	19	6	10	6	2	1	19	\$481,465
25 Groups in this Region	22	3	26	16	4	3	49	\$1,267,892
			Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
22 Groups Generated Income	Income	% of Total	9	36.00%	0	0.00%	3	12.00%
3 Groups Generated No Income	13	52.00%						
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Burnett Mary								
Commercial Sales	19	37	11	3	2	3	19	\$2,896,730
Public Donations	38	18	30	6	0	2	38	\$705,911
All Other Income	41	15	22	15	1	3	41	\$2,147,817
56 Groups in this Region	50	6	63	24	3	8	98	\$5,750,458
			Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
50 Groups Generated Income	Income	% of Total	21	37.50%	2	3.57%	4	7.14%
6 Groups Generated No Income	29	51.79%						

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	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Cape York/Torres Strait								
Commercial Sales	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Public Donations	1	5	0	1	0	0	1	\$46,073
All Other Income	3	3	1	0	1	1	3	\$410,426
6 Groups in this Region	4	2	1	1	1	1	4	\$456,499
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
4 Groups Generated Income								
2 Groups Generated No Income	2	33.33%	2	33.33%	1	#####	1	16.67%
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Condamine								
Commercial Sales	6	13	6	0	0	0	6	\$6,436
Public Donations	9	10	6	3	0	0	9	\$36,447
All Other Income	11	8	8	3	0	0	11	\$74,699
19 Groups in this Region	12	7	20	6	0	0	26	\$117,583
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
12 Groups Generated Income								
7 Groups Generated No Income	8	42.11%	4	21.05%	4	#####	3	15.79%

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	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Desert Channels								
Commercial Sales	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
Public Donations	2	6	1	1	0	0	2	\$26,763
All Other Income	5	3	3	2	0	0	5	\$11,462
8 Groups in this Region	6	2	4	3	0	0	7	\$38,225
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
6 Groups Generated Income			5	62.50%	0	0.00%	2	25.00%
2 Groups Generated No Income	1	12.50%						
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Fitzroy Basin								
Commercial Sales	3	10	2	1	0	0	3	\$8,624
Public Donations	7	6	6	1	0	0	7	\$10,312
All Other Income	10	3	7	3	0	0	10	\$32,349
13 Groups in this Region	10	3	15	5	0	0	20	\$51,285
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
10 Groups Generated Income			2	15.38%	0	0.00%	3	23.08%
3 Groups Generated No Income	8	61.54%						

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	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Murray Darling								
Commercial Sales	3	15	2	1	0	0	3	\$19,822
Public Donations	3	15	3	0	0	0	3	\$2,015
All Other Income	11	7	7	4	0	0	11	\$39,915
18 Groups in this Region	12	6	12	5	0	0	17	\$61,752
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
12 Groups Generated Income								
6 Groups Generated No Income	7	38.89%	5	27.78%	1	5.56%	5	27.78%
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
National								
Commercial Sales	4	2	2	1	1	0	4	\$92,150
Public Donations	3	3	1	1	0	1	3	\$157,775
All Other Income	5	1	1	2	0	2	5	\$1,044,338
6 Groups in this Region	5	1	4	4	1	3	12	\$1,294,263
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
5 Groups Generated Income								
1 Groups Generated No Income	3	50.00%	2	33.33%	0	0.00%	1	16.67%

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Northern & Southern Gulf	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
	Commercial Sales	3	4	2	1	0	0	3
Public Donations	4	3	2	2	0	0	4	\$40,000
All Other Income	6	1	5	1	0	0	6	\$8,895
7 Groups in this Region	7	0	9	4	0	0	13	\$69,795
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
7 Groups Generated Income			4	57.14%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
0 Groups Generated No Income	3	42.86%						
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
SEQ								
Commercial Sales	45	100	21	16	4	4	45	\$5,596,337
Public Donations	92	53	71	17	3	1	92	\$827,454
All Other Income	101	44	71	19	3	8	101	\$2,434,049
145 Groups in this Region	123	22	163	52	10	13	238	\$8,857,839
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
123 Groups Generated Income			46	31.72%	10	6.90%	12	8.28%
22 Groups Generated No Income	77	53.10%						

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State-Wide	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
	Commercial Sales	9	4	4	4	1	0	9
Public Donations	11	2	6	5	0	0	11	\$82,419
All Other Income	9	4	2	4	1	2	9	\$652,823
13 Groups in this Region	13	0	12	13	2	2	29	\$867,496
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
13 Groups Generated Income			7	53.85%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
0 Groups Generated No Income	6	46.15%						
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
South West Queensland								
Commercial Sales	7	26	4	3	0	0	7	\$68,767
Public Donations	9	24	8	1	0	0	9	\$24,364
All Other Income	16	17	7	9	0	0	16	\$120,008
33 Groups in this Region	19	14	19	13	0	0	32	\$213,138
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
19 Groups Generated Income			10	30.30%	3	9.09%	11	33.33%
14 Groups Generated No Income	9	27.27%						

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				>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	Total Value
Wet Tropics	Income	\$0	<\$5k					
Commercial Sales	14	29	7	6	0	1	14	\$235,037
Public Donations	24	19	16	5	2	1	24	\$440,450
All Other Income	28	15	17	9	1	1	28	\$362,727
43 Groups in this Region	35	8	40	20	3	3	66	\$1,038,214
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
19 Groups Generated Income								
8 Groups Generated No Income	20	46.51%	15	34.88%	2	4.65%	6	13.95%
	Income	\$0	<\$5k	>\$5k & <\$50k	>\$50k & <\$100k	>\$100k	Total Income	
All QWaLC Regions								
Commercial Sales	128	264	68	41	10	9	128	\$9,472,761
Public Donations	218	174	159	48	5	6	218	\$2,790,706
All Other Income	265	127	161	77	9	18	265	\$7,820,973
392 Groups Completed Survey	318	74	388	166	24	33	611	\$20,084,440
	Income & Grants	% of Total	Income Only	% of Total	Grants Only	% of Total	No Income	% of Total
318 Groups Generated Income								
74 Groups Generated No Income	186	47.45%	132	33.67%	23	5.87%	51	13.01%



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