

ASSESSMENTS

Assessment type submitted¹		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
OHS submissions												
Safety Case	New	14	27	11	14	10	6	11	16	16	12	137
	Revision	59	76	86	60	69	62	88	82	81	75	738
Diving Safety Management System	New		3	2	1	1				1	1	9
	Revision	3	3	8	2	6		3			1	26
Diving Project Plan	Not Applicable		2							1		3
Scope of Validation	Not Applicable	44	54	44	46	64	52	73	77	94	62	610
Request for Exemption under OHS Regs	Not Applicable									5	5	10
Diving Start-up Notice	Not Applicable	8	15	9	5	3	8	4	3	2	3	60
Total OHS		128	180	160	128	153	128	179	178	200	159	1593
WI submissions												
Application for Approval to Undertake Well Activity (AAUWA)	Not Applicable	59	34				1		4	1		99
Well Operations Management Plan Victoria / Pre 2016 Commonwealth	New	1			1		1	2				5
	Variation						1					1
Well Operations Management Plan Commonwealth	New	44	30	8	15	17	13	12	13	23	15	190
	Revision		10	11	13	9	42	30	23	23	24	185
Final Abandonment Report	Abandonment	6	28	22	13	12	7	16	18	51	31	204
Request to Undertake a Well Activity in a Specified Manner	Not Applicable	1		1	1					8	4	15
Total WI		111	102	42	43	38	65	60	58	106	74	699
EM submissions												
Environment Plan	New	20	20	21	10							71
	Revision	11	20	15	4							50
Environment Plan (Development)	New				11	18	19	20	12	12	10	102
	Revision				9	10	14	11	10	15	7	76
Environment Plan (Exploration)³	New				7	8	10	5	5	9	2	46
	Revision					1	2	1	1			5
Environment Plan Summary	Not Applicable	24	32	39	42	30	33	30	24	36	21	311
End of an environment plan (Reg 25A)	Not Applicable	15	94	55	23	25	23	29	11			275
End of Environment Plan Reg 46	Not Applicable									12	13	25
Offshore Project Proposal	Suitability for Publication - Stage 1	1		1	2	3		1	2	2		12
	Suitability for Acceptance - Stage 2		1		2	2	1			3	1	10
Total EM		71	167	131	110	97	102	97	65	89	54	983
PSZ submissions												
ATBA Access Application	Not Applicable		2		8	7		1	2	7	3	30
PSZ Application	New	1	3	3	3	1	2	4	2	1	6	26
	Variation	7	1				1	2		3	4	18
PSZ Access Application	Not Applicable	1			3	3						7
Total PSZ		9	6	3	14	11	3	7	4	11	13	81
Other submissions												
NOPTA request for title related compliance information	Application for a retention lease				3	7	1		2	2	2	17
	Cancellation of petroleum exploration permit				2	5	1		1	2	2	13
	General Advice					14	6	2	5	3	3	33
	Grant of a petroleum-related pipeline licence	1	2			1	3	1	4	1	2	15
	Modification/alteration/repair to pipeline				7	1						8
	Renewal of fixed-term production license	4	3	3				2				12
	Renewal of greenhouse gas assessment permit			1				1	1			3
	Renewal of petroleum exploration permit	13	7	7	4	3		2	5	1	1	43
	Renewal of petroleum retention lease	13	13	1	7	22	16	17	4	3	4	100
	Termination of life-of-field petroleum production licence			1		1	1					3
	Title Expiry					9	6	6	5	2	6	34
	Title Surrender	14	14	20	21	13	16	18	7	14	6	143
	Title Transfer						16	7	12	10	7	52
	Variation to pipeline licence				18	12	6	7	5	2	18	68
Total Other		45	39	33	62	88	72	63	51	40	51	544
Total assessments submitted		364	494	369	357	387	370	406	356	446	351	3900

¹ Based on date of submission. In some instances, a single assessment may be submitted for multiple facilities.
² WOMP assessed under the conferral arrangement with Victoria under the regulations relevant to that state
³ Does not include environment plans currently out for public comment where a formal assessment by NOPSEMA has not yet commenced.

Assessments notified ¹	Subtype	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
OHS submissions												
Safety Case	New	14	27	12	13	9	8	9	15	16	12	135
	Revision	58	77	88	59	66	60	92	78	80	80	738
Diving Safety Management System	New		3	2	1		1			1	1	9
	Revision	3	3	8	1	5		2	1		1	24
Diving Project Plan	Not Applicable		2							1		3
Scope of Validation	Not Applicable	46	53	41	47	61	51	69	81	96	58	603
Request for Exemption under OHS Regs	Not Applicable									5	5	10
Diving Start-up Notice	Not Applicable	8	15	9	5	3	8	4	3	2	3	60
Total OHS		129	180	160	126	144	128	176	178	201	160	1582
WI submissions												
Application for Approval to Undertake Well Activity (AAUWA)	Not Applicable	61	35				1		2	2		101
Well Operations Management Plan Victoria / Pre 2016 Commonwealth	New	1			1		1	2				5
	Variation	2					1					3
Well Operations Management Plan Commonwealth	New	36	35	8	16	15	12	15	10	21	19	187
	Revision		8	11	14	9	36	32	21	22	23	176
Final Abandonment Report	Abandonment	6	15	13	24	19	7	10	20	36	38	188
Request to Undertake a Well Activity in a Specified Manner	Not Applicable	1		1	1					8	4	15
Total WI		107	93	33	56	43	58	59	53	89	84	675
EM submissions												
Environment Plan	New	21	18	21	12							72
	Revision	12	16	17	6							51
Environment Plan (Development)	New				10	18	19	21	10	14	9	101
	Revision				9	9	12	14	10	15	7	76
Environment Plan (Exploration)	New				7	7	10	6	5	9	2	46
	Revision					1	2		1			4
Environment Plan Summary	Not Applicable	23	30	40	43	31	33	29	24	34	24	311
End of an environment plan (Reg 25A)	Not Applicable	30	99	49	33	19	28	27	14			299
End of Environment Plan Reg 46	Not Applicable									8	15	23
Offshore Project Proposal	Suitability for Publication - Stage 1	1		1	1	4		1	2	2		12
	Suitability for Acceptance - Stage 2		1		1	3	1			2	2	10
Total EM		87	164	128	122	92	105	98	66	84	59	1005
PSZ submissions												
ATBA Access Application	Not Applicable		2		7	7		1		7	3	27
PSZ Application	New	1	3	3	3	1	2	3	2	2	6	26
	Variation	7	1				1	1	1	3	4	18
PSZ Access Application	Not Applicable	1			3	3						7
Total PSZ		9	6	3	13	11	3	5	3	12	13	78
Other submissions												
NOPTA request for title related compliance information	Application for a retention lease				3	7		1	2	2	2	17
	Cancellation of petroleum exploration permit				2	4	1		1	2	2	12
	General Advice					12	7	3	5	1	3	31
	Grant of a petroleum-related pipeline licence	1	2			1	3	1	4	1	2	15
	Modification/alteration/repair to pipeline				7	1						8
	Renewal of fixed-term production license	4	3	3				2				12
	Renewal of greenhouse gas assessment permit			1				1	1			3
	Renewal of petroleum exploration permit	13	6	6	3	4		1	6	1	1	41
	Renewal of petroleum retention lease	13	13	1	7	22	15	17	4	2	5	99
	Termination of life-of-field petroleum production licence			1			2					3
	Title Expiry					9	6	6	5	2	6	34
	Title Surrender	14	12	21	21	13	13	20	6	15	6	141
	Title Transfer						14	7	12	7	11	51
	Variation to pipeline licence				18	11	7	6	6	1	18	67
Total Other		45	36	33	61	84	68	65	52	34	56	534
Total assessments notified		377	479	357	378	374	362	403	352	420	372	3874

¹ Assessments where NOPSEMA has formally notified the duty holder in writing. Based on date of first notification.

² WOMP assessed under the conferral arrangement with Victoria under the regulations relevant to that state

Assessments completed ¹	Subtype	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
OHS submissions												
Safety Case	New	19	26	13	13	8	8	10	14	15	9	135
	Revision	56	78	84	59	70	59	68	100	76	68	718
Diving Safety Management System	New		3	2			1			1	1	8
	Revision	3	3	7	2	5		2	1		1	24
Diving Project Plan	Not Applicable		2							1		3
Scope of Validation	Not Applicable	46	53	41	47	61	51	69	81	96	58	603
Request for Exemption under OHS Regs	Not Applicable									5	5	10
Diving Start-up Notice	Not Applicable	8	15	9	5	3	8	4	3	2	3	60
Total OHS		132	180	156	126	147	127	153	199	196	145	1561
WI submissions												
Application for Approval to Undertake Well Activity (AAUWA)	Not Applicable	53	43				1		2	2		101
Well Operations Management Plan Victoria / Pre 2016 Commonwealth	New	1					1	1	1			4
	Variation	2					1					3
Well Operations Management Plan Commonwealth	New	28	37	13	15	13	14	12	10	19	23	184
	Revision		7	11	11	9	26	34	24	20	23	165
Final Abandonment Report	Abandonment	6	15	13	24	18	8	9	9	20	52	174
Request to Undertake a Well Activity in a Specified Manner	Not Applicable	1		1	1					8	4	15
Total WI		91	102	38	51	40	51	56	46	69	102	646
EM submissions												
Environment Plan	New	23	16	22	20							81
	Revision	9	17	16	10							52
Environment Plan (Development)	New				7	15	10	14	13	18	7	84
	Revision				2	7	13	10	6	15	10	63
Environment Plan (Exploration)	New				3	8	8	4	5	3	4	35
	Revision						2	1		1		4
Environment Plan Summary	Not Applicable	22	30	41	43	31	33	29	24	34	24	311
End of an environment plan (Reg 25A)	Not Applicable	24	103	46	35	19	28	26	16			297
End of Environment Plan Reg 46	Not Applicable									8	15	23
Offshore Project Proposal	Suitability for Publication - Stage 1		1		2	2	1			3	1	10
	Suitability for Acceptance - Stage 2			1		2	2		1		3	9
Total EM		78	167	126	122	84	97	84	65	82	64	969
PSZ submissions												
ATBA Access Application	Not Applicable		2		7	7		1		7	3	27
PSZ Application	New	1	3	3	3	1	2	3	2	2	6	26
	Variation	7	1				1	1	1	2	5	18
PSZ Access Application	Not Applicable	1			3	3						7
Total PSZ		9	6	3	13	11	3	5	3	11	14	78
Other submissions												
NOPTA request for title related compliance information	Application for a retention lease				3	7		1	2	2	2	17
	Cancellation of petroleum exploration permit				2	4	1		1	2	2	12
	General Advice					12	7	3	5	1	3	31
	Grant of a petroleum-related pipeline licence	1	2			1	3	1	4	1	2	15
	Modification/alteration/repair to pipeline				7	1						8
	Renewal of fixed-term production license	4	3	3				2				12
	Renewal of greenhouse gas assessment permit			1				1	1			3
	Renewal of petroleum exploration permit	13	6	6	3	4		1	6	1	1	41
	Renewal of petroleum retention lease	13	13	1	7	22	15	17	4	2	5	99
	Termination of life-of-field petroleum production licence			1			2					3
	Title Expiry					9	6	6	5	2	6	34
	Title Surrender	14	12	21	21	13	13	20	6	15	6	141
	Title Transfer						14	7	12	7	11	51
	Variation to pipeline licence				18	11	7	6	6	1	18	67
Total Other		45	36	33	61	84	68	65	52	34	56	534
Total assessments completed		355	491	356	373	366	346	363	365	392	381	3788

¹ Based on date of completion. Only includes assessments that have been completed (i.e. excludes those in progress and recalled/cancelled)

² WOMP assessed under the conferral arrangement with Victoria under the regulations relevant to that state

INSPECTIONS

Inspections	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
OHS Inspection	93	93	109	135	106	60	65	68	74	62	865
Well Integrity Inspection	6	8	11	9	28	9	21	23	26	25	166
Environment Inspection	44	44	54	47	42	34	34	32	36	29	396
Facilities / wells / petroleum activities inspected ¹	206	231	283	281	521	233	263	352	327	283	2980
Total inspections ²	143	145	174	191	176	103	120	123	136	116	1427

¹ An inspection may cover multiple facilities, petroleum and well activities

² The increased number of inspections in 2020 reflects the introduction of COVID-19 specific inspections

INCIDENTS

Incident type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
Accident											
OHS - death or serious injury		4	8	3	2	2	2	4	6	5	36
OHS - incapacitation >= 3 days LTI	4	6	7	6	5	17	13	16	25	9	108
Total Accident	4	10	15	9	7	19	15	20	31	14	144
Dangerous Occurrence											
OHS - collision marine vessel and facility		1		2	1	1	1	1		2	9
OHS - could have caused death or serious injury	17	16	26	27	16	29	28	23	27	21	230
OHS - could have caused incapacitation >= 3 days LTI	3	5	6	10	5	10	3	10	19	12	83
OHS - failure of control measures critical to safety ¹	82	73	109	147	184	239	274	237	203	151	1699
OHS - fire or explosion	6	4	10	4	5	7	5	9	20	7	77
OHS - other kind needing immediate investigation	23	22	30	47	35	21	50	62	86	32	408
OHS - pipeline - kind needing immediate investigation	1					2	1	3	4		11
OHS - pipeline - significant damage									3		3
OHS - pipeline - likely to have resulted in significant damage						1		1			2
OHS - uncontrolled HC release >1 - 300 kg	16	19	25	24	7	15	13	6	16	7	148
OHS - uncontrolled HC release >300 kg	3	1	3		1	4		1			13
OHS - uncontrolled PL release >12 500 L								1			1
OHS - uncontrolled PL release >80 - 12 500 L	4	5	7	4	2	2	4	7	11	14	60
OHS - unplanned event - implement emergency response plan	148	145	169	147	131	187	207	161	170	152	1617
Total Dangerous Occurrence	303	291	385	412	387	518	586	522	559	398	4361
Psychosocial Reportable											
OHS - bullying										4	4
OHS - harassment										6	6
OHS - sexual harassment										6	6
Total Psychosocial Reportable										16	16
Well Integrity ²											
WI - loss of integrity - >1 kg gas released		2	3	2	3	4	3	1	1	1	20
WI - loss of integrity - >80 L liquid released				1		1		1			3
WI - failure of hydrostatic pressure - BOP closure and positive well pressure	5	1	3	1	1	2	3	4	6	5	31
WI - loss of integrity - well-related equipment damage or failure	11	11	12	21	7	7	12	10	17	14	122
WI - potential loss of integrity - well-related equipment damage/failure	13	11	38	45	49	54	48	59	57	19	393
WI - any other unplanned occurrence to regain control of the well	2	2	4	2		1	2	7	8	6	34
Total Well Integrity	31	27	60	72	60	69	68	82	89	45	603
Environment Reportable											
EM - hydrocarbon vapour / petroleum liquid release	5	7	8	2	3	1	2	1	7	2	38
EM - chemical release		3	1	5	1			5	4	3	22
EM - drilling fluid/mud release				1		2				1	4
EM - fauna incident	2	1	5	4			1			1	14
EM - other	1	1	2	2	4	2	1		1	1	15
Total Environment Reportable	8	12	16	14	8	5	4	6	12	8	93
Matters protected under Part 3 of the EPBC Act ³		1	3	2							6
Total incidents	346	340	476	507	462	611	673	630	691	481	5217

¹ Effective 12 June 2025, notifiable incidents formerly published as ‘OHS – damage to safety-critical equipment’ have been reclassified to ‘OHS - failure of control measures critical to safety’. This is in line with the 2024 revision of the Safety Regulations which now specify that operators need to notify NOPSEMA of damage, loss or removal of technical or other control measures that have been identified as critical to safety. Further guidance is available on the NOPSEMA website.

²Notification, reporting and recording requirements for titleholders in relation to WI incidents came into effect on 1 January 2016 through amendments to Part 5 of the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Resource Management and Administration) Regulations 2011. Consequently, as of Q1 2016, NOPSEMA has commenced publishing WI incident data as a category in its own right.

³ Number of environment reportable incidents notified to NOPSEMA identified as matters protected under Part 3 of the EPBC Act. Note that these figures are a subset of the total number of reportable incidents shown in the line above.

INJURIES

Injury type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
Fatality								1			1
Major injury		4	8	3	2	2	2	3	6	5	35
Lost time injury >=3 days	4	6	7	6	5	19	11	15	22	7	102
Lost time injury <3 days	3	1	1	2			1		5	1	14
Medical treatment injury	22	30	24	26	11	18	30	14	33	11	219
Alternative duties injury	24	11	19	24	9	32	19	23	41	26	228
Total recordable cases ¹	53	52	59	61	27	71	63	56	107	50	599

¹ Total recordable cases is the sum of fatalities, major injuries, LTIs, ADIs and MTIs.

Hours worked offshore	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
Fixed facilities	6 340 003	9 397 260	11 758 391	8 643 588	6 347 435	7 152 950	7 663 813	8 407 919	8 314 474	7 060 885	81 086 718
Mobile facilities	3 584 806	3 149 990	4 886 608	2 928 892	2 134 245	3 139 376	2 673 955	2 423 162	7 864 091	4 050 179	36 835 304
Total	9 924 809	12 780 158	16 675 323	11 572 480	8 481 680	10 292 326	10 337 768	10 839 479	16 232 160	11 246 928	118 383 111

COMPLAINTS

Type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
OHS - complaint	1	9	9	12	10	12	17	28	30	17	145
EM - complaint	1	1	1	1	7	2	2	1	2	3	21
WI - complaint					1						1
Total complaints	2	10	10	13	18	14	19	29	32	20	167

ENFORCEMENTS

Enforcement type ¹	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - Sep 2025	Total
WI enforcements											
WI improvement notice									1		1
Notice requiring variation of a well operations management plan			1			3					4
Direction - General			1								1
Total WI			2			3			1		6
OHS enforcements											
OHS improvement notice		25	14	9	6	7	4	7	5	8	85
Intent to Withdraw SC Acceptance		1		1					1		3
OHS prohibition notice		2	1	3	1	1	2			2	12
Request for a revised safety case		3	4	1		1			1	1	11
Prosecution Brief	1			1		1					3
Direction - General		1	3	3	3	6	4	2	2	1	25
Total OHS	1	32	22	18	10	16	10	9	9	12	139
EM enforcements											
EM improvement notice		3	2	4					1		10
EM prohibition notice	2						1				3
Request for a revision to an environment plan	3	3			1	6	2		2	1	18
Direction - General	2		3	2	3	6	1	2	1	3	23
Direction - Restoration of Environment					4						4
Total EM	7	6	5	6	8	12	4	2	4	4	58
Total enforcements	8	38	29	24	18	31	14	11	14	16	203

Non-statutory compliance actions											
WI written advice/warning							2				2
OHS written advice/warning	3	3	3		2	3	1			4	19
EM written advice/warning		10	3	6	6	4	5			1	35
Total non-statutory compliance actions	3	13	6	6	8	7	8			5	56

Total enforcements and non-statutory compliance actions	11	51	35	30	26	38	22	11	14	21	259
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¹ Excludes verbal warnings/advice, investigation notices and do not disturb notices.

GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS					
ATBA	Area to be avoided	LTI	Lost time injury	SC	Safety case
EM	Environmental management	OHS	Occupational health and safety	WI	Well integrity
EP	Environment plan	PL	Petroleum liquid	WOMP	Well operations management plan
HC	Hydrocarbon	PSZ	Petroleum safety zone	IRF	International Regulators' Forum

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The information in this report is comprised of data from the last two years only. Requests for older data can be made directly to NOPSEMA at information@nopsema.gov.au.