# eReefs Marine Water Quality Dashboard Overview

http://www.bom.gov.au/marinewaterquality/

# Date

To activate date selection click the Go button

# Map Image

**Summary** shows a composite of the date chosen

> Daily shows each day in the date period

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# **Display Options**

This is where you select NRM region, water bodies, table, chart

You can also download data, print and obtain instructions

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### Date

This is where you select the date

Note: Date available is dependent on indicator chosen

i.e. ReefTemp DHD data is processed and available for Summer (December 1st to March 31st)

Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology

Bureau Home > Environmental Information > Coastal information > eReefs

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Day Season Year Apr × 2015 <del>\$\frac{1}{2}\$</del> 01/04/2015 - 30/04/2015 UTC | Go

# Indicators

This is where you select the MWQ and SST indicators

Note: Data availability is dependent on indicator chosen

# **ReefTemp Next Generation**

Non-algal particulates (NAP)

Sea Surface Temperature (SST)

Chlorophyll-a concentration (Chl)

Sea Surface Temperature Anomaly (SSTA)

Coloured dissolved organic matter (CDOM)

- Degree Heating Days (DHD)
- Degree Heating Days Counts (DHDC)
- Mean Positive Summer Anomaly (MPSA)

Analysis Method:

Select a method...

## Information

**Indicators** 

**Marine Water Quality** 

Data-quality level

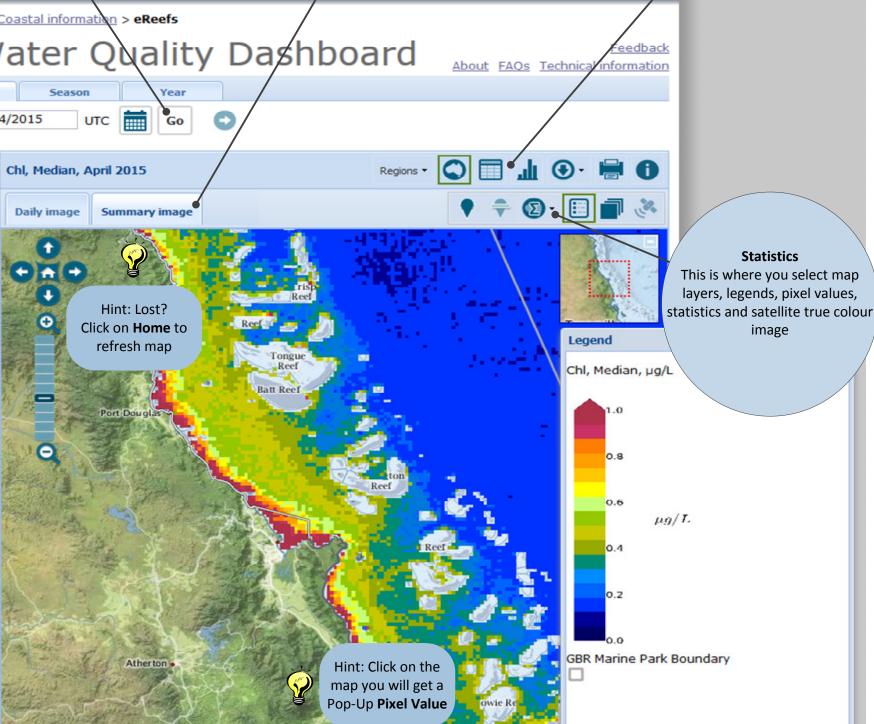
## Chlorophyll-a concentration (Chl)

Chlorophyll-a, reflecting wavelengths in the green part of the visible light spectrum, is the substance that helps plants capture the sun's energy. In the water, it indicates the presence of microscopic green algae (phytoplankton). While these plants are a natural part of the reef ecosystem, elevated numbers (a bloom) of phytoplankton signal elevated nutrient levels, especially nitrogen, in the water. Typical sources are runoff from excess fertiliser being applied to crops and, to a lesser extent in the Great Barrier Reef region, sewage contamination from urban areas.

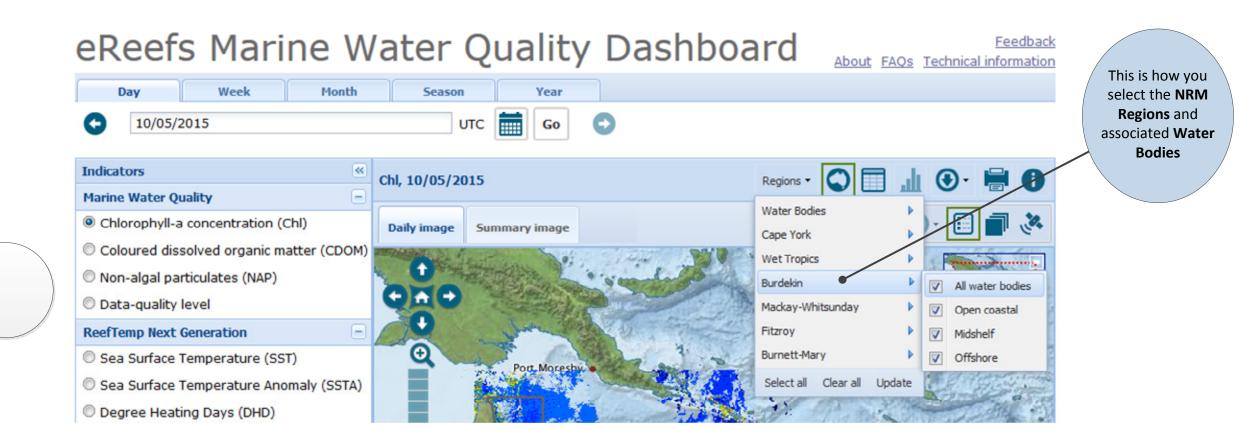


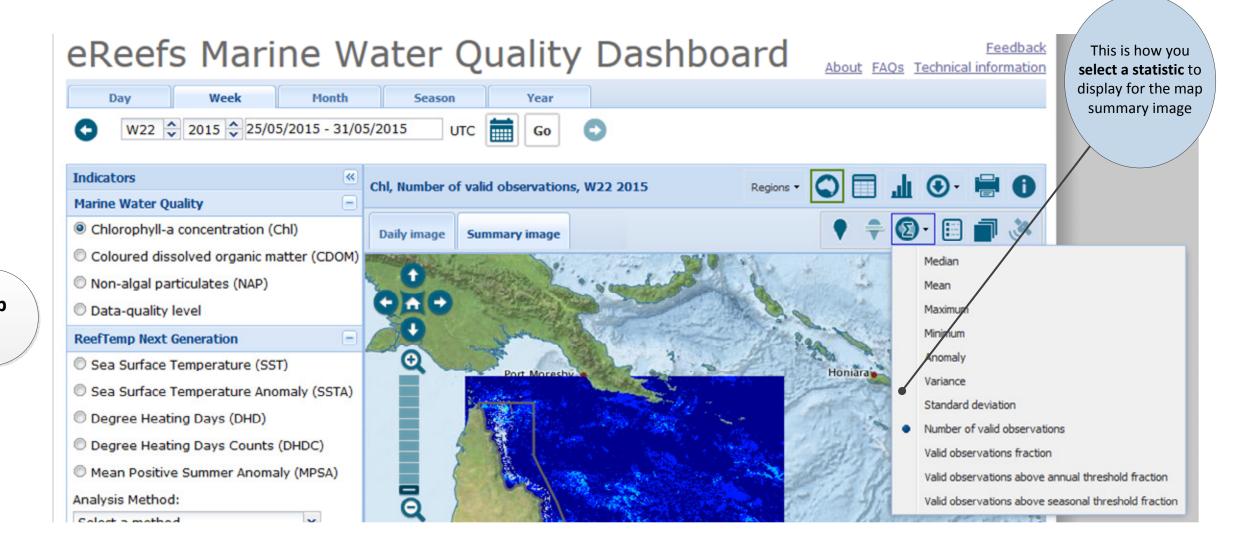
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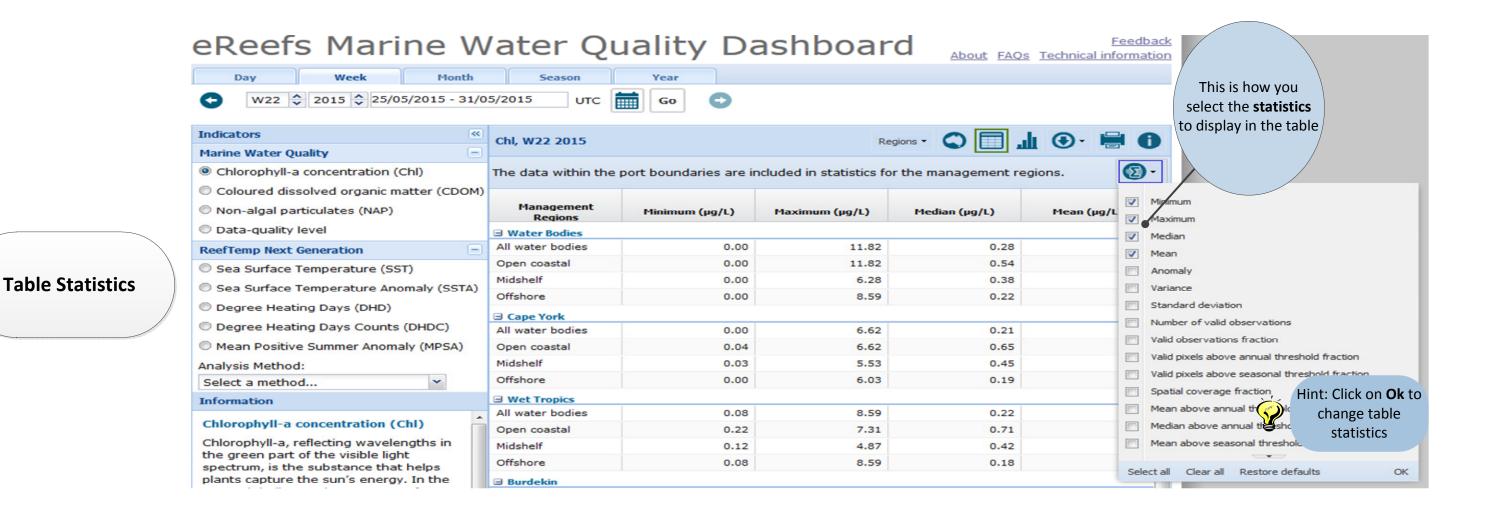
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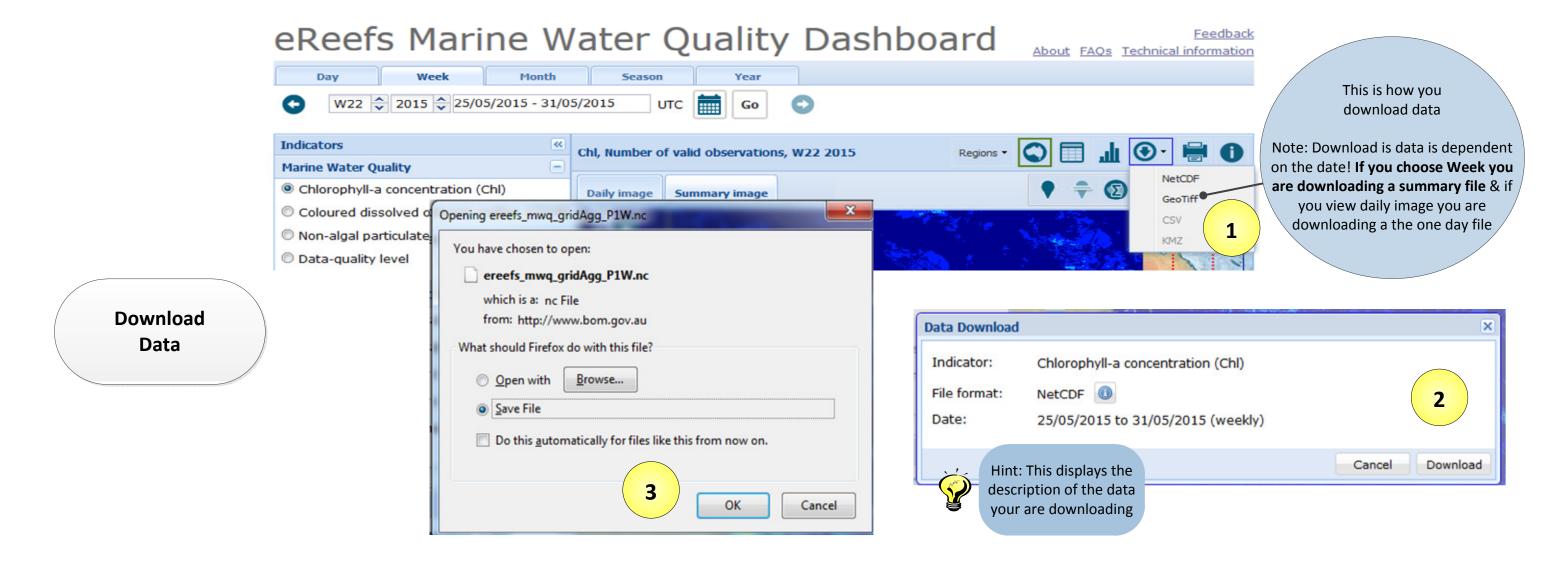
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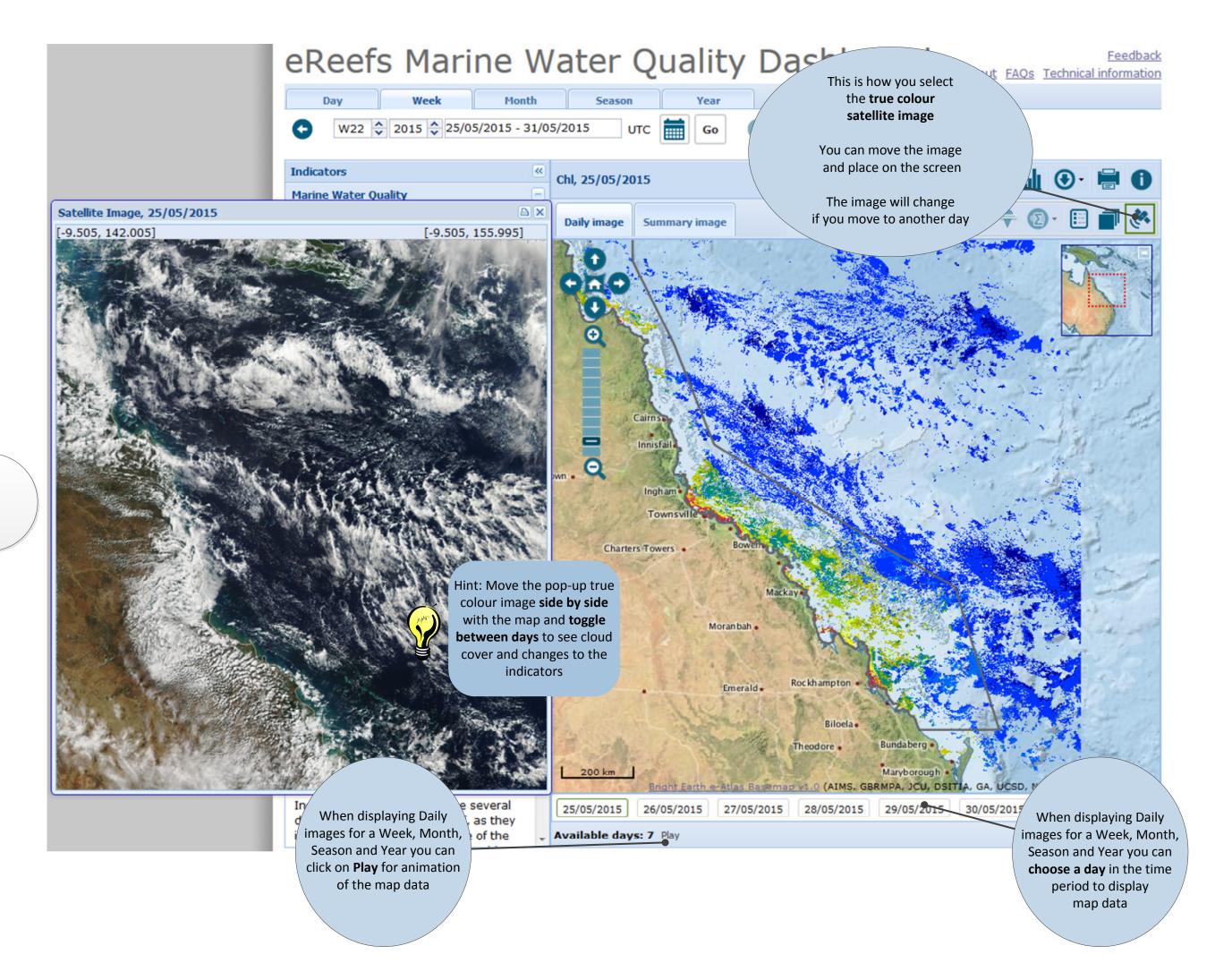
Region &

Water

**Bodies** 







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