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Q1. Ten years ago a network of marine sanctuaries - national parks in the sea - was established in SA by the state government to protect areas important for the survival of marine plants and animals. Marine sanctuaries do not allow fishing or mining but do allow recreation such as swimming, diving, surfing and boating. Overall, do you think marine sanctuaries are a good idea or a bad idea?

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Q3. Currently, around six percent (6%) of the coastal waters of SA are classified as marine sanctuaries. The SA Government has proposed to remove some of the existing marine sanctuary areas to allow fishing back in. To what extent are you in favour or opposed to the removal of marine sanctuaries?

Q4. The marine tourism industry is worth around 600 million dollars to the economy of SA. What do you think the economic impact would be if some marine sanctuaries were removed in SA?

Q5. To what extent would you be concerned about the Government giving back commercial fishing access to these conservation areas created in the public interest with tax-payer funds?

Methodology

This poll was conducted online between 10-16 July 2020 to a representative sample of n=807 Australian citizens aged 18+ who live in South Australia.

Data has been post-weighted by age, gender, location and education to reflect the latest ABS population estimates

