

# Field Data Collection Tools making data capture easy



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The Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) has developed a comprehensive set of flexible web and mobile tools to support standardised systematic and opportunistic data capture in the field and/or post field work.

## BioCollect – What is it?

- **Innovative cloud software** supporting data capture for citizen science projects, ecological surveys and activity-based works projects
- **Universal web and mobile apps** for recording field data (structured & unstructured), supporting both:
  - **Survey/event based data collection**
  - **Activity/schedule based project structures**
- A tool to **find and connect** with projects – see what others are doing/have done
- A tool to **tell the world** about your project
- and more ...

## BioCollect is used for:

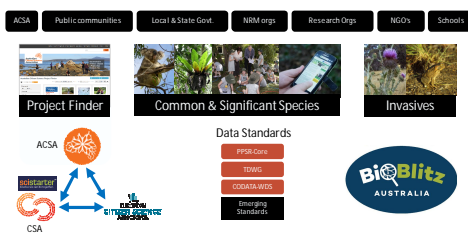
### Applied Ecology



### Ecological Research



### Citizen Science



### Natural Resource Management



Figure 1: Applications for the BioCollect field data capture software.

## Thematic & Community Hubs

- **Flexible** configuration and styling
- **Fast set-up**
- **Community space** for data collection
- **API supported** and **mobile ready**

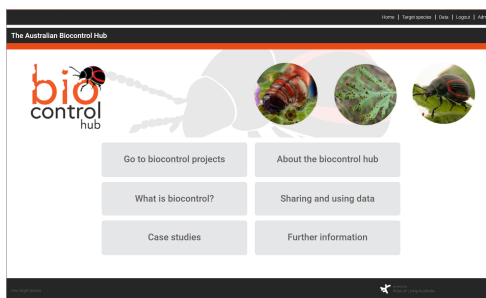
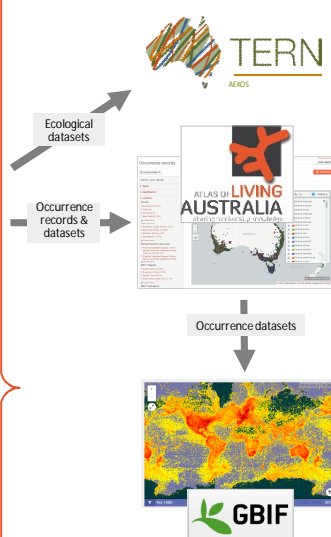


Figure 2: Example of a thematic hub in BioCollect

## Many Unique Features:

- **Create projects** – simple self-serve
- **Add your own projects**, even if you are collecting data with another tool.
- **Control your own project** –
  - **Content**
  - **Individually configurable surveys**
  - **Access**
- Graphics for **visual appeal**
- **Comprehensive project discovery & access**
- Unique links to projects, survey forms, etc. – **link from your own web site**
- **Auto-linked** to ALA services & other key systems for streamlined data flows
- Flexible configurable **survey forms**
- **Mobile apps & APIs**
- **Social media** page links
- **Blog** facility
- **Email** contact
- **Survey data** view/download
- Spatial – **points & polygons**
- Project **related resources**
- **My projects & My data** views
- **Structured + unstructured data** collection, storage & download
- **Data standards** compliant

## Re-use via Aggregators

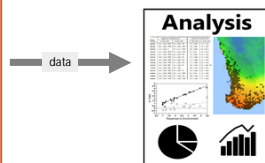


## Impact

### ENABLING

- researchers
- government
- community
- industry to.....
- **engage** with biodiversity
- **manage** biodiversity
- **report** on biodiversity
- **understand** impacts on biodiversity

## Original Use/Purpose



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