

# Data Entry Screen Development

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## 1.0 Abstract

This project developed a Data Entry App to collect data in a central location that is easy to use for all AMPC staff initially focusing on Production, HR and Environmental matrix with further data metrics will be considered into the future.

The full purpose of this project is to have a platform that AMPC staff to collect the data when talking to our membership on site visits etc that can then be used in the Toustone BI tool.

The data from this tool will provide the data to be feed into relevant reporting industry dashboards for AMPC to gain a better understanding of our membership and the industry which in turn will lead to more focused projects.

# 2.0 Executive summary

The purpose of the project was to create a tool that AMPC staff can use to collect data that can be used for project 2021-1124 Data Metric Baseline Establishment. This tool is a Data Entry App and the project included support of the Data Entry App for a period of two years.

The project methodology included the development of 3 Data Capture Screens:

- 1.0 Processor Production Data Screen
- 2.0 Environmental (Survey) Data Screen
- 3.0 HR data entry screen

Each of these data entry screens has been created in a user-friendly app environment that AMPC staff can easily access to enter data and identify any gaps in the data.

The Data Entry App has been in place for 2 years providing a means for meat processors to add data for their own use and for benchmarking across the industry. The data collected via the Data Entry App has been used to support other projects including 2021-1124 Data Metric Baseline Establishment and 2024-1077 Industry Metrics (Innovation Manager Program).

The original 3 Data Capture Screens have been expanded into 7 screens:

- Processor Production Data Screen
- Annual Production Data Screen
- Quarterly Production Data Screen
- Annual Environmental (Survey) Data Screen
- Annual HR Data Entry Screen
- Quarterly HR Data Entry Screen
- Dropdown Items Data Screen

The Dropdown Item screen allows users to dynamically add their own options to dropdown menus on the other screens.

Integration with Yellowfin dashboards has been set up with both automatic and manual data synchronisation.

The Data Entry Screens have provided a means for processors as well as internal AMPC data to collected and analysed.

## 3.0 Introduction

As many state who want data ... data is the key to everything, and those who are anti data ... data is pointless if it is not accurate or leveraged to make decisions that then change the data values moving forward.

The above statement of those who want and those that don't want, but both use motherhood statements to ask or prevent data insights initiatives from materializing can only be addressed by an opt-in bit by bit 'take them on the journey' approach.

This project will aim to collect that data in a central location that is easy to use for all AMPC staff initially focusing on Production, HR and Environmental matrix with further data metrics will be considered into the future.

The full purpose of this project is to have a platform that AMPC staff to collect the data when talking to our membership on site visits etc that can then be used in the Toustone BI tool. The data from this tool will provide the data to be feed into relevant reporting industry dashboards for AMPC to gain a better understanding of our membership and the industry which in turn will lead to more focused projects.

## 4.0 Project objectives

To create a tool that AMPC staff can use to collect data that can be used for project 2021-1124 Data Metric Baseline Establishment. This tool is a Data Entry App. This project includes the support of the Data Entry App for a period of two years and may look to be extended in the future.

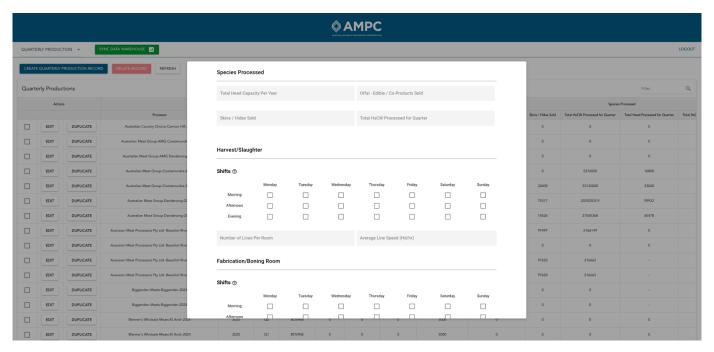
# 5.0 Methodology

- 1.0 Create a Processor Production Data Screen
- 2.0 Create an Environmental (Survey) Data Screen
- 3.0 Create a HR data entry screen

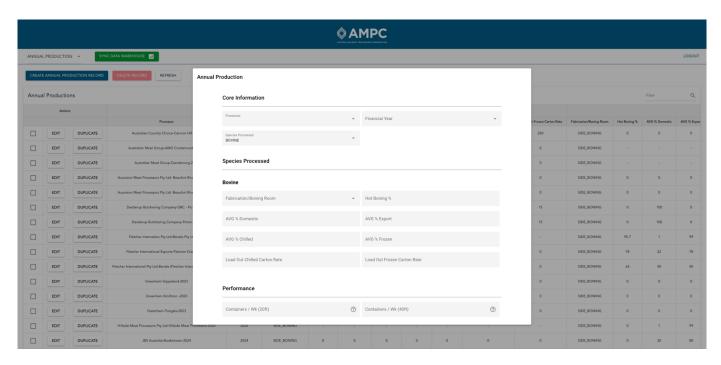
Each of these data entry screens will be created in a user-friendly app environment that AMPC staff can easily access to enter data and identify any gaps in the data.

# 6.0 Results

#### **Quarterly Production Screen**

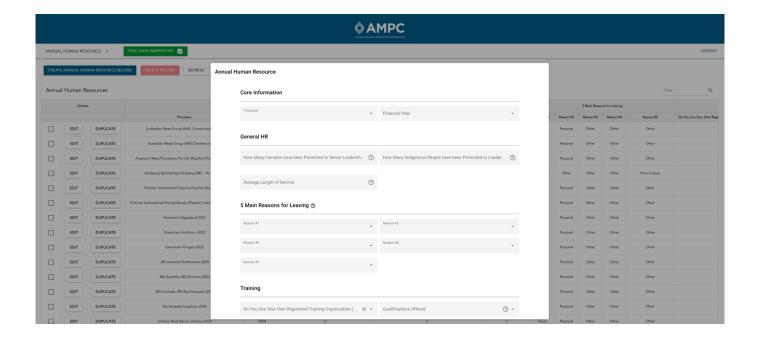


#### **Annual Production Screen**

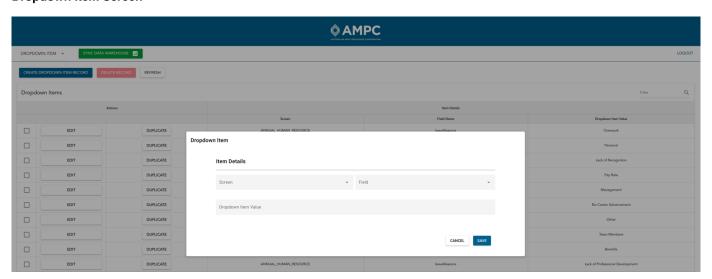


#### **Annual Human Resource Screen**

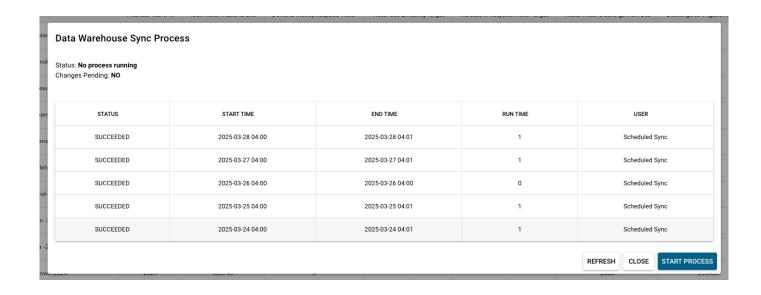
#### **Final Report**



#### **Dropdown Item Screen**

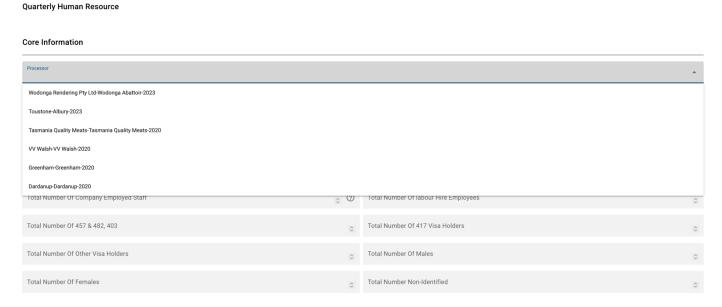


**Data Warehouse Sync Process** 



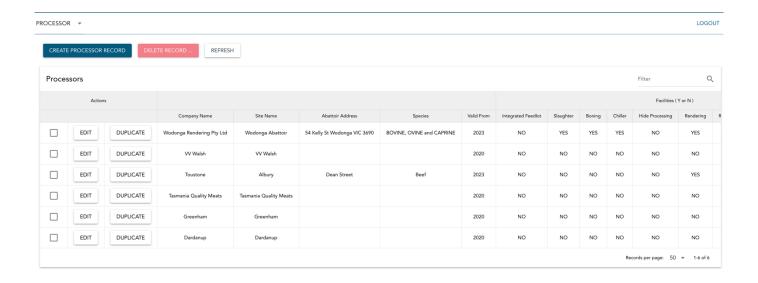
## 7.0 Discussion

The Data Entry App has in place security to ensure users only see their processor data, ensuring the privacy and confidentiality of participating Meat Processors. Users can easily create a new record. The below examples are drawn from the Admin user, thus the multiple processors available for selection. The security functions will only allow processors ability to select from or see those assigned to the individual user.

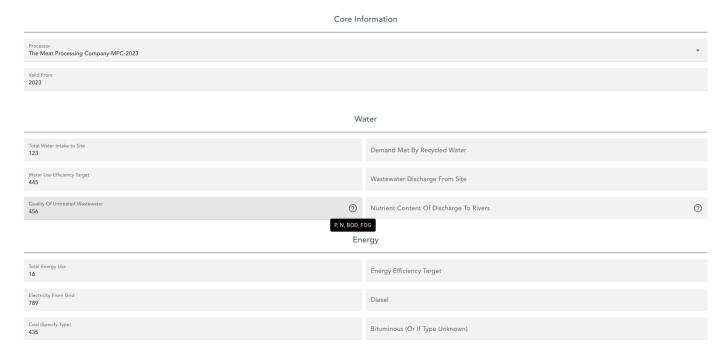


Ease of data entry has been enhanced with the implementation of separate data entry screens for annual and quarterly metrics, reducing errors. The data entry also allows duplication of entry to reduce time to update, especially when the metrics don't change significantly between entries. An example of this functionality can be seen below.

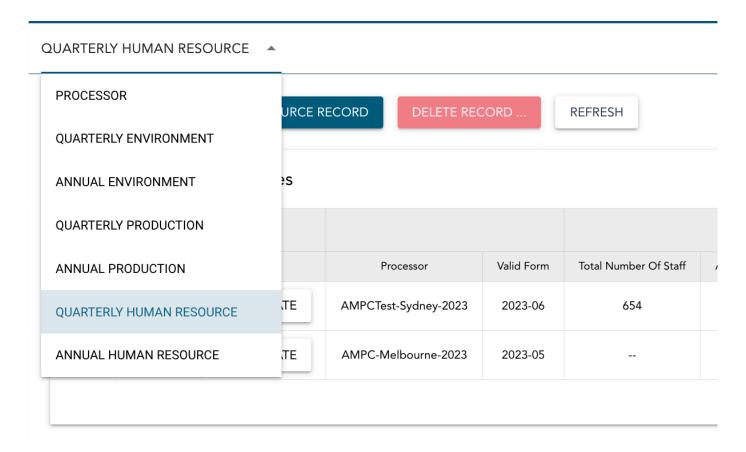
#### **Final Report**



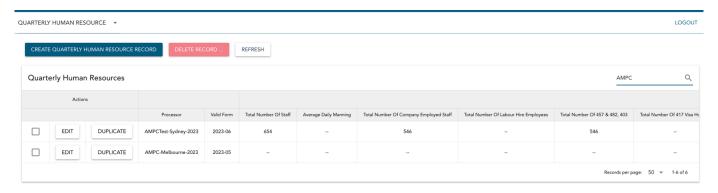
Help icons are available for some inputs. These icons provide support to the user by including information such as unit of measure, definition of the input etc. thus providing needed context. The following is an example of the Annual Environment Data Entry Screen with the "?" icon engaged showing the additional detail available for the selected metric.



The user is further supported through the logical ordering of inputs, grouped to make it easier to find the input value needed and to understand what it is related to. An example of the screens available to the user for selection is shown below.



Search functions are available to enhance the user experience. An example of the search feature is shown below.



The platform is stable and available as required.

## 8.0 Recommendations

Enhancement opportunities exist to make the most the Data Entry App and its functionality could include:

- Addition of details to add to the input help icons to support users and provide them with more context
- Allow UOM to be selected for some of the energy inputs along with calculations to convert to a base UOM

The development of a reporting environment to allow baseline reporting and Meat Processors to determine where they stand compared to industry averages was an earlier recommendation of this project. This recommendation is being implemented. Incentives for Meat Processors to utilise the Data Entry App should continue into the future.

## 9.0 Conclusions

The Data Capture Screens have been a success and become an integral part of AMPC's data analytics solution providing a means for data collection from processors and internal AMPC staff.

# 10.0 Project outputs

The Data Entry App has been in place for 2 years providing a means for meat processors to add data for their own use and for benchmarking across the industry. The data collected via the Data Entry App has been used to support other projects including 2021-1124 Data Metric Baseline Establishment and 2024-1077 Industry Metrics (Innovation Manager Program).

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