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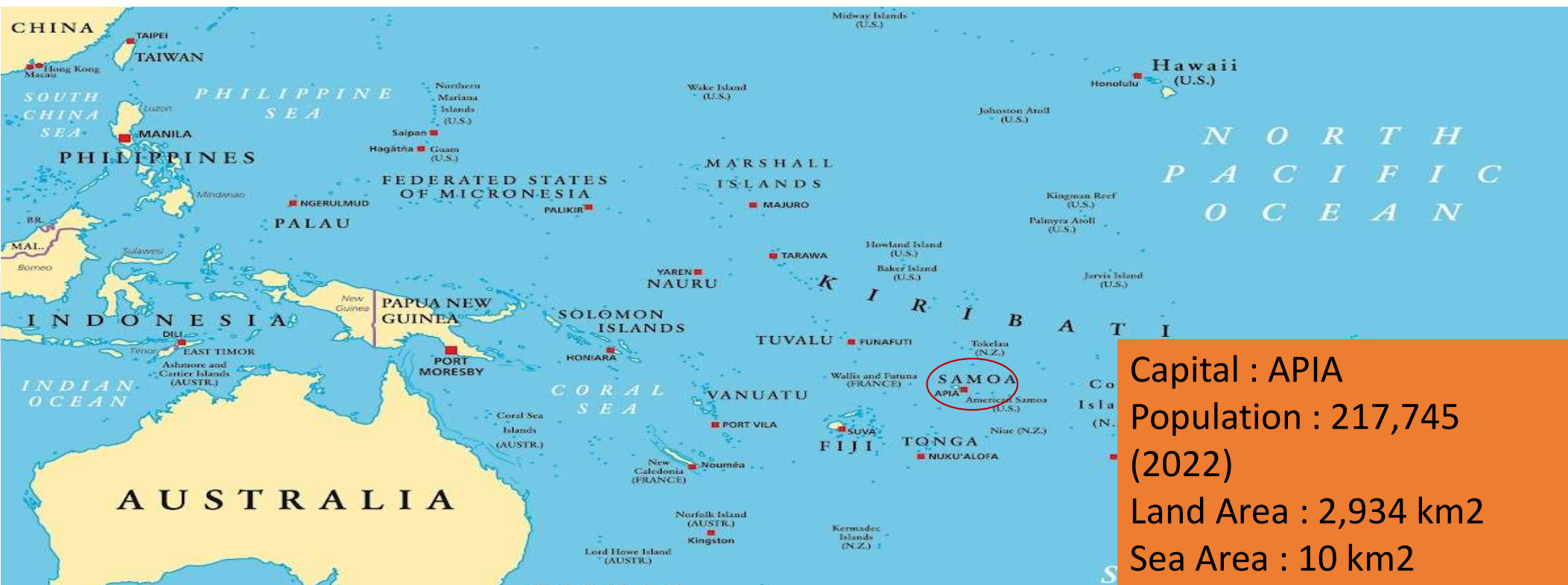


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SAR GOVERNANCE

National SAR Committee

- Established in 2010
- To coordinate Search and Rescue activities during any Disasters

Organisational Role

- MWTI (Lead)– Coordinate maritime rescue activities (On Scene Commander)
- SPA (Lead) – Provide, manage and maintain adequate and efficient port services facilities and security in port.
- Police (Support) – provide personnel and resources.
- FESA (Support) – provide personnel and resources
- Overseas Navy – provide personnel and resources
- SAA – provide personnel and resources

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SAR Legislation in place	National SAR Committee established	National SAR Plan in place	Signatory to SAR Tech Arrangement for Cooperation
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Ratification of various safety conventions of UN, IMO, and ICAO			
International Civil Aviation 1944	Maritime Search and Rescue 1979	Safety of Life at Sea 1974	Convention on the High Seas 1958
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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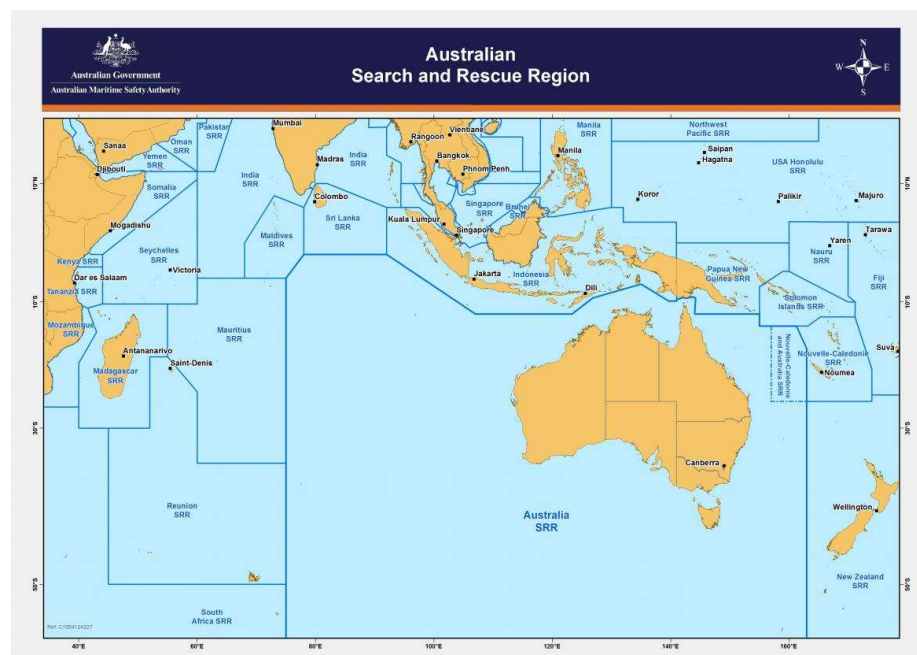


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SAR COORDINATION

- **Search and Rescue Region**
 - Cover 10 kilometre sq of area on Samoan waters
- **Rescue Coordination Centre**
 - NEOC Office, Tuanaimato
- **Key capabilities**
 - SPA, POLICE and FIRE
 - Linked to national asset arrangements? – SAR Committee – Responding Agencies
- **Key issue**
 - Implementation of Organisations Response Plans
 - Communication System (ERN)



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SAR COORDINATION

Maritime or Joint Coordinating Authorities established	Coordinating Authorities have appropriate systems, processes, and procedures	Coordinating Authorities have appropriate communication systems and response planning tools
Yes (5 x JRCC)	Yes	Yes
List of deployable assets is developed and maintained	Coordinating Authorities have effective system for monitoring and documenting responses	Lessons management process is in place to support continuous improvement
Yes	Yes	Yes

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SAR RESPONSE

Resources available

- **Assets – Rescue boats available and equipment**
- **Response times – Each Organisations have target times of responds to any emergency**
- **Other applicable information – Time of the day and the availability of rescue personnels.**

Key challenges

- **Resources**
- **Coordination**
- **Communication Systems**

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SAR RESPONSE

SAR Standard Operating Procedures that align with the National SAR Plan are developed and in use	Training Needs Analysis is undertaken; Training Plans are developed and in use	Exercises that focus on preparedness for key risks are undertaken	Effective communication systems are established to support SAR coordination and response
Yes	Yes	Yes	Partially

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SAR PREVENTION

Initiatives

- Continue to implement more Outreach programs to the community
- Continuous awareness on TV and local radios
- Awareness on social media platforms

Opportunities

- Information sharing
- More training overseas
- Networking of partners

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SAR PREVENTION

Maritime safety education programmes are implemented	Maritime safety regulations (and compliance regimes) are in place	Mariners have access to appropriate safety equipment	Increased use of technology-based safety equipment (e.g. distress beacons, mobile/emerging technologies)
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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WHAT IS THE ONE THING....

- We do really well:
 - Collaborative efforts between organizations (First responders)
- We could do more effectively?
 - Communication Systems (ERN)



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QUESTIONS