

Project Update: May 2017

We measured size-frequency distributions of *Acropora muricata*, tabular *Acropora*, *Acropora humilis*, *Pocillopora* spp and *Porites* spp before the bleaching event in early 2016. We found that larger corals were more abundant than smaller ones. This can mean that there has been a decline in reproduction and recruitment, or that recent disturbances have caused mortality among smaller corals. Changes in size-frequency distribution 1 year after the 2016 mass bleaching event are likely and we look forward to further investigating them.

