

DAWE Profiling

current capability and future uplift

May 2022

Jon Webber
a/g Director, Profiling and Targeting Section



Australian Government
Department of Agriculture,
Water and the Environment


A vertical red bar is positioned on the left side of the slide, extending from the top to the bottom. It consists of a thin red line with a thicker red rectangular block in the middle section.

About

PaTS

The Profiling and Targeting Section (PaTS):

- Profile governance owners across cargo, traveller and mail pathways
- Deploy control testing to validate regulatory control effectiveness
- Support tactical targeting to discover and disrupt high-harm threat
- Administer the Cargo Compliance Verification program



What is mail and traveller profiling

capability?

- Mail
 - ✓ restricted capability based on the restricted article level detail
 - ✓ based on limited data parameters
 - ✓ Intervention based on postal system controls
 - ✓ limited ability to go beyond country of origin
- Traveller
 - ✓ statistical methodology based on various factors and deployed against 'cohorts' of travellers
 - ✓ Specific schemes managed for non-compliant travellers, frequent travellers and crew
 - ✓ COVID impacts yet to be told



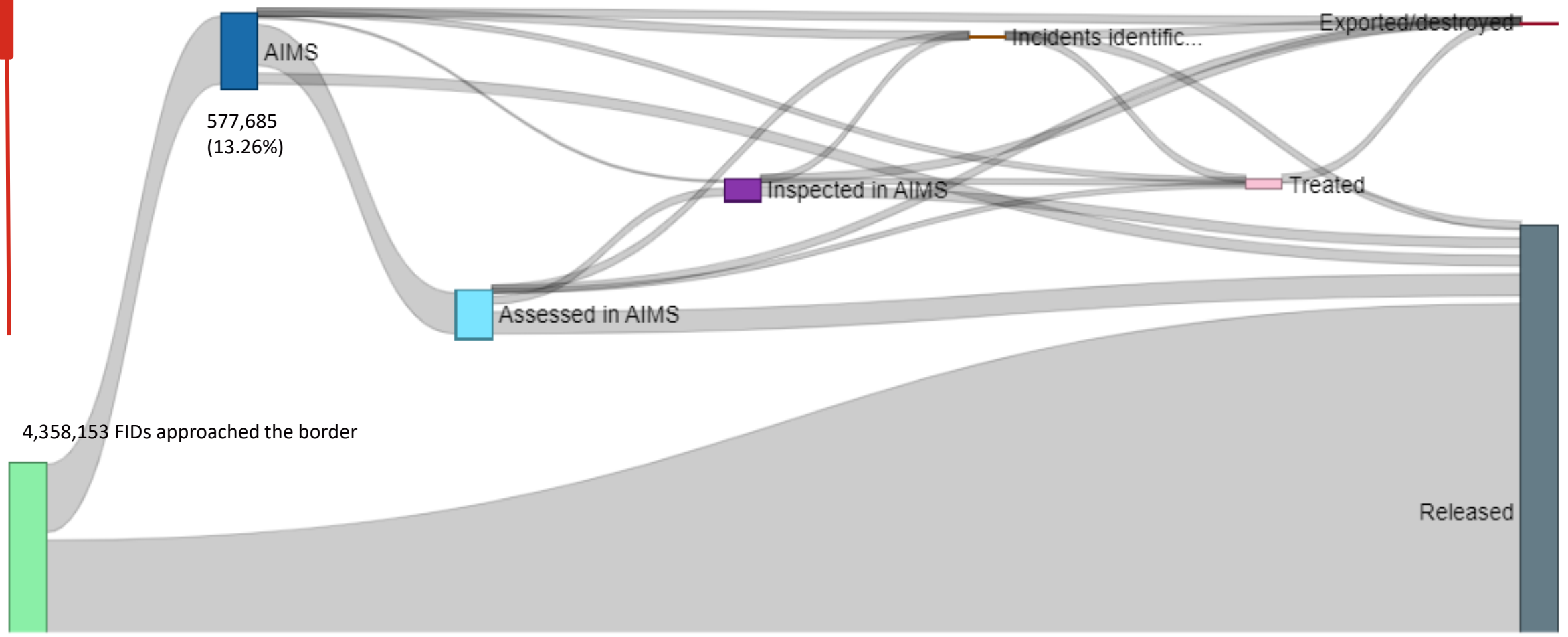
What is Cargo Profiling

capability?

- 5800 Cargo Profiles – biosecurity, illegal logging, imported foods
- Types of profiles – compliantly reported commodity profiles (98%) and response/entity profiling (2%)
- Cargo profiling is the essential link between import conditions and getting consignments in front of officers for assessment
- Support for control tests and targeting and ad-hoc support across environment, fisheries and export domains

Cargo Profiling,

what it looks like





DAWE Profiling

capability uplift

- Why?
 - ✓ increasing trade
 - ✓ Increasing complexity of supply chains
 - ✓ efficient and effective resource utilisation
 - ✓ government commitments
- What?
 - ✓ improved data holdings and analytical tools
 - ✓ IT infrastructure development
 - ✓ systems ownership



Profiling capability uplift

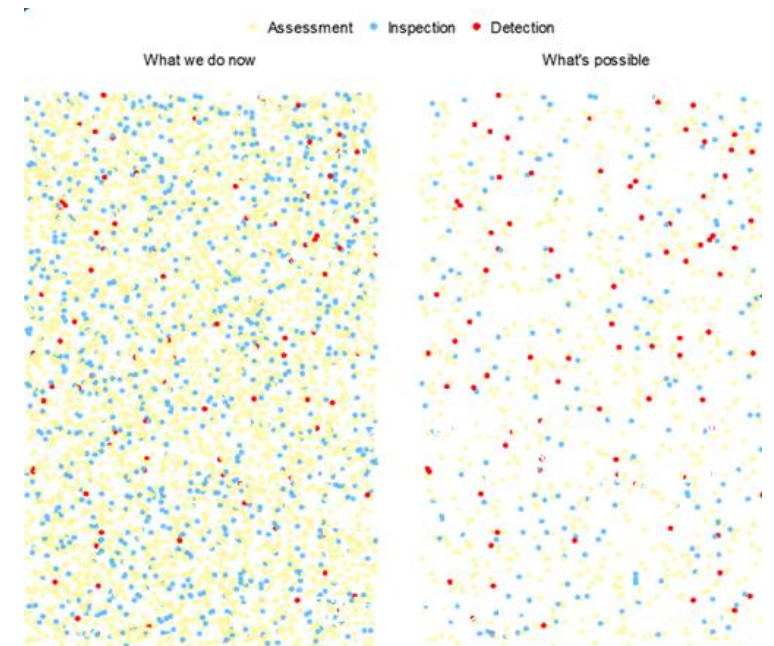
machine learning – SAC (live)

- currently deployed machine learning capability for non-commercial cargo
- provides recommendation of required 'at-border' action for non-commercial cargo
- requires manual (human) validation
- currently deployed to a subset of our profile (approx. 60 profiles that account for about 40% of match volume)
- evolving process of maturing and refining the capability, both technically and to ensure appropriate human interaction
- Expected iterative release phases to realise full potential

Profiling capability uplift

machine learning – FID (emerging)

- Proof of concept ran in 2019 to test ability for machine learning algorithms performance in accurately predicting risk
- Trained on historical data and tested against live inspections.
- Phase 2 validation nearing completion and design and architecture discussions underway.
- Options for implementation/deployment
- Strong governance and management
- Significant shift in risk management approach



Profiling capability uplift

mail Electronic Advance Data

- EAD is the info from the customs declarations that people fill out when posting internationally. We now receive this data in near real-time.
- The data tells us more about mail than ever before, and it may allow us to predict non-compliance in the future.
- Successful small-scale trials mimicking cargo profiling
- Second stage trial to look at entities
- Future use case and capacity

CUSTOMS DECLARATION		CN 22	
Complete in BLOCK CAPITALS .		May be opened officially	
Sender's Name 1			
Sender's Address & Postcode			
Contents Tick all that apply		<input type="checkbox"/> Gift Documents	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Sample Returned Goods
		<input type="checkbox"/> Sale of Goods	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Description of contents	Quantity	Weight (kg)	Value (GBP)
2	3		
Total	4	5	6
Commercial items only; if known enter HS tariff no. & origin		7	
If applicable, VAT reg number		8	
I, the undersigned, whose name and address are given on the item, certify that the particulars given in this declaration are correct and that this item does not contain any dangerous article or articles prohibited by legislation or by postal or customs regulations.			
Sign & Date		9	

CN22A (Jan 20)

Cargo Profiling

Questions

