

Each year DFO Science staff team up with a broad range of regional, provincial, national and international collaborators for the planning, design, delivery, and evaluation of field research and monitoring.

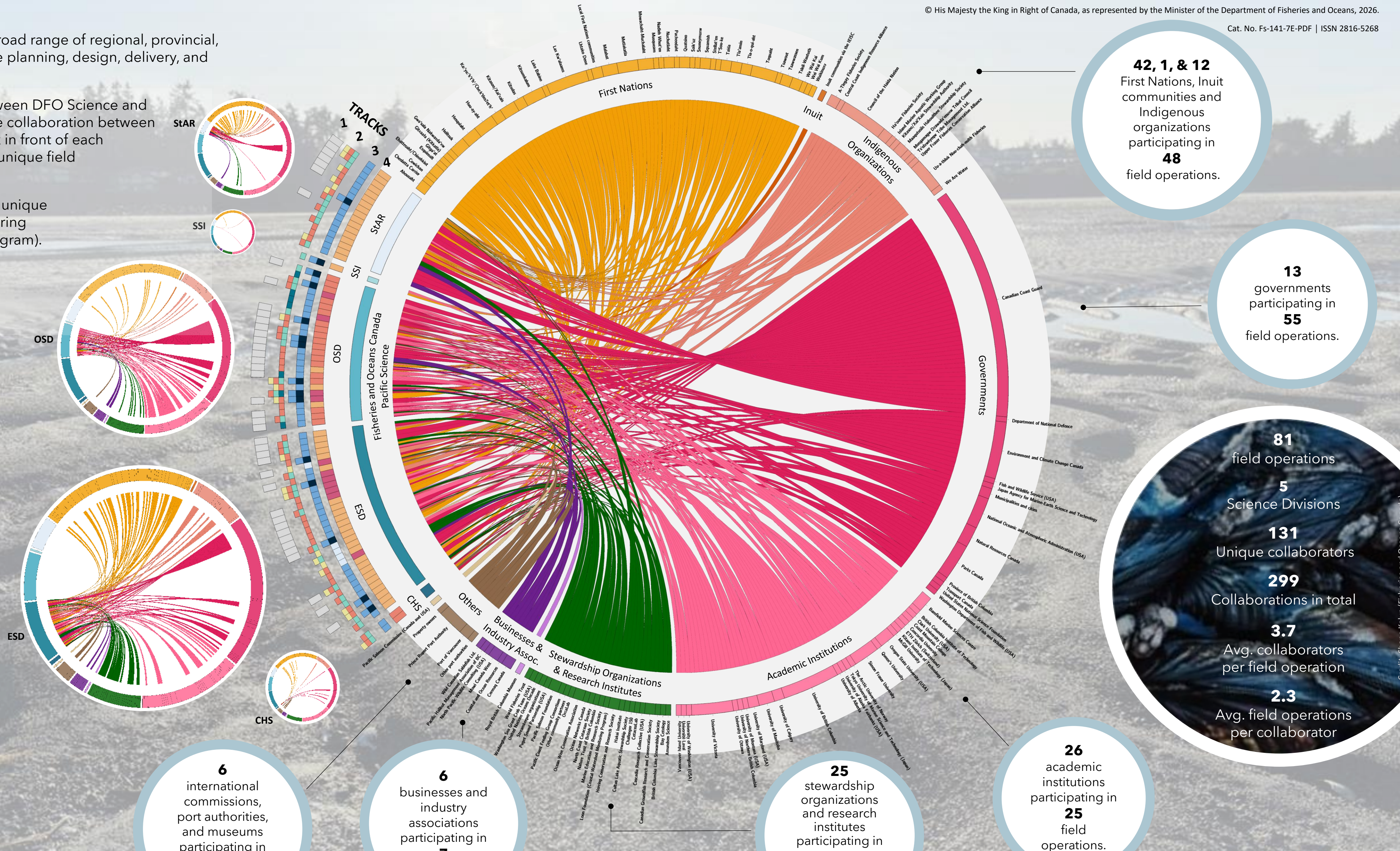
Chord diagrams illustrate the connection between DFO Science and collaborators. Each strand represents a unique collaboration between DFO and a collaborator. The length of the box in front of each collaborator is proportional to the number of unique field operations engaged in by that collaborator.

In 2026-2027, we expect to team up with **131** unique collaborators to advance research and monitoring through **81** field operations (largest chord diagram).

The smaller chord diagrams help visualize the collaborations of the **5** Science Divisions and are sized proportionally to the number of field operations each Division is engaged in.

81 FIELD OPERATIONS		Count
Track 1	Under the leadership of women	42
	Fraser River and Interior	24
Track 2	South Coast	61
	North Coast	37
	Arctic	7
Track 3	Marine	76
	Estuarine	15
	Freshwater	5
Track 4	Human impacts and research monitoring	11
	Hydrographic and oceanographic surveys	21
	Population and ecosystem assessments	49
Science Divisions	Stock Assessment and Research (StAR)	17
	Strategic Science Initiatives (SSI)	1
	Ocean Sciences (OSD)	27
	Ecosystem Science (ESD)	34
	Canadian Hydrographic Service (CHS)	2

+240 area-based [salmon stock assessment](#) field operations planned for 2026 - 2027 (not shown).



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First Nations, Inuit communities and Indigenous organizations participating in **48** field operations.

13 governments participating in **55** field operations.

81 field operations
5 Science Divisions
131 Unique collaborators
299 Collaborations in total
3.7 Avg. collaborators per field operation
2.3 Avg. field operations per collaborator

6 international commissions, port authorities, and museums participating in **7** field operations.

6 businesses and industry associations participating in **7** field operations.

25 stewardship organizations and research institutes participating in **18** Field operations.

26 academic institutions participating in **25** field operations.

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