

**Amendment 80 Program Fishery Denominators and
2008 Quota Share Pools**

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Fishery Denominators

NOAA Fisheries Service, Restricted Access Management (RAM) has established numbers that reflect the total catch of Amendment 80 (A-80) species used for initial A-80 quota share (QS) awards. These numbers are called the “Final Fishery Denominators.” Using denominators enables us to provide applicants with final summaries displaying initial quota share awards in a fishery. While these “Final Denominators” differ from those used previously to determine eligibility and derive preliminary quota estimates, these final data will not be updated further. Any initial QS issued at a later time as a result of approved claims or adjudicated appeals will be based on these same “Final Denominators”.

A “Fishery Denominator” for an A-80 species is the sum of the highest five of seven years landings from all A-80 vessels listed in Table 31 to 50 CFR Part 679. The “Final Fishery Denominator” for each A-80 species is (expressed in metric tons):

A-80 Species	Final Fishery Denominator (mt)
BSAI Atka Mackerel (AMCK) Total	256,438.435
AMCK (mackerel vessels)	241,124.215
AMCK EBS 541 (non-mackerel vessels)	11,781.978
AMCK 542 (non-mackerel vessels)	3,038.362
AMCK 543 (non-mackerel vessels)	493.880
BSAI Pacific Cod (PCOD)	155,975.048
AI Pacific Ocean Perch (POPA)	57,881.578
BSAI Flathead Sole (FSOL)	85,216.858
BSAI Rock Sole (RSOL)	170,034.990
BSAI Yellowfin Sole (YSOL)	351,599.864

The amount of annual rockfish pounds that result from any amount of QS units may change in the future due to delayed initial QS issuance from approved claims and adjudicated appeals. Changes in QS units are reflected annually in the A-80 QS Pools.

2008 A-80 Quota Share Pools

The A-80 Quota Share (QS) pool is the sum of A-80 QS units issued for each A-80 species in a management area based on the official record. The 2008 A-80 QS Pools are as follows:

A-80 Species	2008 QS Pool (units)
AMCK Total	256,281,876
AMCK (mackerel vessels)	241,124,215
AMCK EBS 541 (non-mackerel vessels)	116,25,419
AMCK 542 (non-mackerel vessels)	3,038,362

AMCK 543 (non-mackerel vessels)	493,880
PCOD	154,664,364
POPA	57,881,578
FSOL	84,196,765
RSOL	166,837,867
YSOL	347,378,328

A-80 QS was not applied for by the owners of four of the A-80 vessels listed in Table 31 to 50 CFR Part 679. Accordingly, any QS that would be attributed to these vessels is not included in the 2008 A-80 QS Pool. However, should the owners apply in future years that QS would be included in the annual A-80 QS Pool.