



# Fish Stock Sustainability Index (FSSI)

## Summary of Stock Status Determination Changes from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007

### Overview of overfishing status of FSSI stocks through March 31, 2007

- 180 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfishing status. Of these:
  - 135 stocks or stock complexes are not subject to overfishing.
  - 45 stocks or stock complexes have a fishing mortality rate that exceeds the overfishing threshold (i.e., is subject to overfishing).
- 50 stocks or stock complexes have overfishing thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfishing status.

### Changes in overfishing status and/or score of FSSI stocks

- In the Northeast Region –
  - *Winter Skate* is no longer subject to overfishing - score remained at 2 (see overfished changes).
- In the Southeast Region –
  - *Goliath Grouper* is not subject to overfishing (was previously listed as unknown) – score increased from 0 to 1.5.
- There are no changes to the other regions.

### Overview of overfished status of FSSI stocks through March 31, 2007

- 163 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfished status. Of these:
  - 116 stocks or stock complexes are not overfished (2 of these stocks are approaching an overfished condition).
  - 47 stocks or stock complexes are overfished.
- 67 stocks or stock complexes have overfished thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfished status.

### Changes in overfished status and/or score of FSSI stocks

- In the Northeast Region –

- *Winter Skate* is overfished - score remained at 2 (see overfishing changes).
- *Spiny Dogfish* is not overfished (was previously listed as undefined) – score increased from 1.5 to 3.
- *Silver Hake – Gulf of Maine / Northern Georges Bank* is now below 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score decreased from 4 to 3.
- *Little Skate* is now below 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score decreased from 4 to 3.
- In the Northwest Region –
  - *Pacific Whiting* is now above 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score increased from 3 to 4.
- There are no changes to the other regions.

### Overview of overfishing status of non-FSSI stocks through March 31, 2007

- 61 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfishing status. Of these:
  - 59 stocks or stock complexes are not subject to overfishing.
  - 2 stocks have a fishing mortality rate that exceeds the overfishing threshold (i.e., is subject to overfishing).
- 236 stocks or stock complexes have overfishing thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfishing status.

### Changes in overfishing status of non-FSSI stocks

- In the Northwest Region –
  - *Oregon Coastal Natural comprised of Southern, South-Central, North-Central, and Northern Oregon Stocks* is not subject to overfishing (was previously listed as N/A).
- In the Alaska Region –
  - *Pink Salmon, Sockeye Salmon, Chum Salmon, and Coho Salmon* are now listed as one stock assemblage, the *Coho Salmon Assemblage*. *Chinook Salmon* is now listed as *Eastern North Pacific Far North Migrating Chinook*. These changes have resulted in 3 fewer individual salmon listings, all of which were listed as not subject to overfishing.
- There are no changes to the other regions.

## Overview of overfished status of non-FSSI stocks through March 31, 2007

- 23 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfished status. Of these:
  - 22 stocks or stock complexes are not overfished.
  - 1 stock is overfished.
- 274 stocks or stock complexes have overfished thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfished status.

## Changes in overfished status of non-FSSI stocks

- In the Northwest Region –
  - *Oregon Coastal Natural* comprised of *Southern, South-Central, North-Central, and Northern Oregon Stocks* is not overfished (was previously listed as N/A).
- In the Alaska Region –
  - *Pink Salmon, Sockeye Salmon, Chum Salmon, and Coho Salmon* are now listed as one stock assemblage, the *Coho Salmon Assemblage*. *Chinook Salmon* is now listed as *Eastern North Pacific Far North Migrating Chinook*. These changes have resulted in 3 fewer individual salmon listings, all of which were listed as not overfished.
- There are no changes to the other regions.