



Fish Stock Sustainability Index (FSSI)

Summary of Stock Status Determination Changes from October 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007

Overview of overfishing status of FSSI stocks through December 31, 2007

- 182 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfishing status. Of these:
 - 143 stocks or stock complexes are not subject to overfishing.
 - 39 stocks or stock complexes have a fishing mortality rate that exceeds the overfishing threshold (i.e., is subject to overfishing).
- 48 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 Northwest Region –
 - *Petrale Sole* is no longer subject to overfishing – score increased from 3 to 4.
 - *Splitnose Rockfish* is not subject to overfishing (was previously listed as unknown) – score increased from 0 to 1.5.
- In the Highly Migratory Species Division –
 - *Bigeye Tuna – Atlantic* is no longer subject to overfishing – score increased from 1 to 3 (see overfished changes).
- There are no changes to the other regions.

Overview of overfished status of FSSI stocks through December 31, 2007

- 166 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfished status. Of these:
 - 122 stocks or stock complexes are not overfished (3 of these stocks are approaching an overfished condition).
 - 44 stocks or stock complexes are overfished.
- 64 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 Northwest Region –
 - *Blue Rockfish* is not overfished (stock was previously listed as unknown) – score increased from 0 to 1.5.
 - *Shortbelly Rockfish* is now above 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score increased from 3 to 4.
- In the Alaska Region –
 - *Blue King Crab - Saint Matthews Island* is no longer overfished (stock is still rebuilding) – score increased from 2 to 3.
 - *Tanner Crab - Eastern Bering Sea* is now rebuilt – score increased from 3 to 4.
 - *Walleye Pollock - Western/Central* is now below 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score decreased from 4 to 3.
 - *Walleye Pollock - Eastern Bering Sea* is now below 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score decreased from 4 to 3.
- In the Highly Migratory Species Division –
 - *Bigeye Tuna – Atlantic* is no longer overfished (stock is still rebuilding) – score increased from 1 to 3 (see overfishing changes).
- There are no changes to the other regions.

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

- 62¹ stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfishing status. Of these:
 - 60 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 –
 - *Black Rockfish - South* is not subject to overfishing (was previously assessed as a North stock only, but is now assessed as a North and South stock).

¹ This number includes Pacific halibut, which is managed by the International Pacific Halibut Commission.

- There are no changes to the other regions.

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

- 24¹ stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfished status. Of these:
 - 23 stocks or stock complexes are not overfished (2 of these stocks are approaching an overfished condition).
 - 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 –
 - *Black Rockfish - South* is not overfished (was previously assessed as a North stock only, but is now assessed as a North and South stock).
- There are no changes to the other regions.

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