

# 2024 Quarter 1 Update through March 31, 2024

## 2024 Quarter 1 Score = 785.5 (January 1, 2024 to March 31, 2024)

### **Overview**

The Fish Stock Sustainability Index (FSSI) is a performance measure for the sustainability of 175 U.S. fish stocks<sup>1</sup> selected for their importance to commercial and recreational fisheries. The FSSI will increase as stock status becomes known, overfishing is ended, and stocks increase to the level that provides maximum sustainable yield.

#### Overview of FSSI stocks through March 31, 2024 (175 stocks)

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
Known Status	154	Known Status	156
Not Subject to Overfishing	140	Not Overfished	134
Subject to Overfishing	14	Overfished	22
Unknown Status	21	Unknown Status	19

#### Summary of Changes for FSSI stocks from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024

• There were no changes.

#### Overview of non-FSSI stocks through March 31, 2024 (330 non-FSSI stocks)

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
Known Status	210	Known Status	107
Not Subject to Overfishing	203	Not Overfished	82
Subject to Overfishing	7	Overfished	25
Unknown Status	121	Unknown Status	224

## Summary of Changes for Non-FSSI stocks from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024

• There were no changes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The majority of species are assessed as a single stock; however, there are a few that are assessed as a stock complex, which contain a group of species with similar geographic distribution, co-occurrence in fisheries, and life history.

FSSI stock status updates are posted quarterly at: <u>http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/fisheries\_eco/status\_of\_fisheries/</u>