



NOAA FISHERIES

Sustainable Fisheries

2024 Quarter 3 Update through September 30, 2024

2024 Quarter 3 Score = 785.5 (July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)

Overview

The Fish Stock Sustainability Index (FSSI) is a performance measure for the sustainability of 175 U.S. fish stocks¹ 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 September 30, 2024 (175 stocks)

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
Known Status	154	Known Status	156
Not Subject to Overfishing	138	Not Overfished	137
Subject to Overfishing	16	Overfished	19
Unknown Status	21	Unknown Status	19

Summary of Changes for FSSI stocks from July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024

Stock	Jurisdiction	Previous Status	Current Status
Guam Bottomfish Multi-species Complex	WPFMC	Not subject to overfishing Overfished	Not subject to overfishing Not overfished - rebuilding
Pacific sardine - Northern Subpopulation	PFMC	Not subject to overfishing Overfished	Not subject to overfishing Not overfished - rebuilding
Tilefish – Mid-Atlantic Coast	MAFMC	Not subject to overfishing Not overfished B/B _{MSY} >80%	Subject to overfishing Not overfished B/B _{MSY} <80%
Caribbean spiny lobster - Puerto Rico	CFMC	Not subject to overfishing Not overfished	Subject to overfishing Not overfished

¹ 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.

Overview of non-FSSI stocks through September 30, 2024 (331 non-FSSI stocks)

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
Known Status	210	Known Status	108
Not Subject to Overfishing	203	Not Overfished	85
Subject to Overfishing	7	Overfished	23
Unknown Status	121	Unknown Status	223

Summary of Changes for Non-FSSI stocks from July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024

Stock	Jurisdiction	Previous Status	Current Status
Pacific bluefin tuna – Pacific	PFMC	Not subject to overfishing Overfished	Not subject to overfishing Rebuilt
Striped marlin – Western and Central North Pacific	WPFMC	Subject to overfishing Overfished	Subject to overfishing Not overfished - rebuilding
¹ Coho salmon – Washington Coast - Queets	PFMC	Not subject to overfishing Overfished	Not subject to overfishing Rebuilt
² Coho salmon – Washington Coast - Strait of Juan de Fuca	PFMC	Not subject to overfishing Not overfished - rebuilding	Not subject to overfishing Rebuilt
Atlantic chub mackerel - Mid-Atlantic Coast	MAFMC	Not subject to overfishing Overfished – unknown	Not subject to overfishing Not overfished

1. This stock was previously rebuilt in 2011.
2. This stock was previously rebuilt in 2012.