



# NOAA FISHERIES

Sustainable Fisheries

## 2023 Quarter 1 Update through March 31, 2023

### 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, 2023 (175 stocks)

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
<b>Known Status</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>Known Status</b>	<b>155</b>
Not Subject to Overfishing	140	Not Overfished	131
Subject to Overfishing	14	Overfished	24
<b>Unknown Status</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Unknown Status</b>	<b>20</b>

### Summary of Changes for FSSI stocks from January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023

- There were no changes.

### Overview of non-FSSI stocks through March 31, 2023 (317 non-FSSI stocks)

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
<b>Known Status</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>Known Status</b>	<b>94</b>
Not Subject to Overfishing	191	Not Overfished	70
Subject to Overfishing	10	Overfished	24
<b>Unknown Status</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>Unknown Status</b>	<b>223</b>

### Summary of Changes for Non-FSSI stocks from January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023

- There were no changes.

FSSI stock status updates are posted quarterly at: [http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/fisheries\\_eco/status\\_of\\_fisheries/](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/fisheries_eco/status_of_fisheries/)

<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.