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Inseason Management Update

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Inseason Management

Terminology for reference:

Fisheries status:

- Open = open to directed fishing in the harvest specifications
- Bycatch = closed to directed fishing in the harvest specifications or through an inseason action. Maximum retainable amounts apply.
- PSC = prohibit retention through an inseason action.

Management terms:

- OFL = overfishing limit specified at the stock or stock complex level. If harvest is approaching the OFL, NMFS can close other fisheries to prevent exceeding an OFL.
- ABC = acceptable biological catch specified at the stock or stock complex level.
- BRD = biologically-informed recommended distribution of the ABC.
- TAC = total allowable catch, set less than or equal to the ABC or BRD for an area.
- Apportionment = when TAC is divided across areas.
- Allocation = when TAC apportionment is distributed to a specific user group or gear type.
- Allowance = when a TAC apportionment is distributed seasonally.
- ICA = Incidental catch allowance is a TAC set-aside to support other directed fisheries.
- DFA = directed fishing allowance is the TAC minus the ICA.



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Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

Year	Through 9/1	Through 12/31
2018	1,696,740	1,968,477
2019	1,614,896	1,962,134
2020	1,511,628	1,898,428
2021	1,578,229	1,816,270
2022	1,471,254	1,630,360
2023	1,563,993	1,800,785
2024	1,545,552	1,782,733
2025	1,489,585	1,794,586
2026	1,451,521	
BSAI Groundfish in metric tons		



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Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

Active Amendment 80 Vessels by Year	
2019	20
2020	19
2021	19
2022	18
2023	17
2024	16
2025	14
2026	14



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BSAI Catch Through 9/1 in Metric Tons

Year	Flathead Sole	Rock Sole
2023	7,343	22,196
2024	10,545	25,115
2025	6,265	25,754
2026	15,873	34,776



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Gulf of Alaska

A season pollock fisheries

Regulatory Areas	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
Shumigan (Area 610)	83%	76%	97%	4%	12%
Chirikof (Area 620)	99%	99%	93%	98%	94%
Kodiak (Area 630)	100%	89%	37%	82%	95%

Pacific cod fisheries

- High interest in fishing for Pacific cod this year
- New entrants in the fixed gear sectors
- Expect full utilization in the Central GOA

Thornyhead rockfish	TAC	Catch	Proportion caught
W	206	36	0.17
C	590	86	0.15
E	542	31	0.06
Total	1338	153	0.11
Shortraker rockfish	TAC	Catch	Proportion caught
W	34	0.5	0.01
C	289	78	0.27
E	424	207	0.49
Total	647	286	0.44
Rougheye rockfish	TAC	Catch	Proportion caught
W	229	80	0.35
C	366	83	0.23
E	608	62	0.10
Total	1203	225	0.19



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Gulf of Alaska Skates

Big Skate	TAC	Catch	Proportion caught
W	745	72	0.10
C	1749	654	0.37
E	341	129	0.38
Total	2835	855	0.30
Longnose Skate	TAC	Catch	Proportion caught
W	104	41	0.39
C	1894	527	0.28
E	538	379	0.70
Total	2536	947	0.37
Other Skates	TAC	Catch	Proportion caught
Total	665	369	0.55



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Resources

NMFS Inseason management will present the annual inseason management report at the Council in December.

- Inseason management reports are updated annually:
<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/resource/document/alaska-inseason-management-annual-reports-north-pacific-fishery-management>
- Catch and landing reports are updated weekly:
<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/alaska/commercial-fishing/fisheries-catch-and-landings-reports-alaska>

Thank you! - Inseason management team



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