



Co-op

The Co-op is a leading convenience retailer, with more than 2,500 stores across the UK - that's one in every postal area. As a member-owned cooperative it is guided by principles that include open membership and concern for community. Wild caught fish represent around two thirds of Co-op brand fish products.

2019

Number of Fisheries Used	Number of Fisheries Well Managed	Number of Fisheries Managed	Number of fisheries in need of improvement	Profile not yet complete
50	35	4	2	9

Fishing Methods Used in Associated Fisheries

- Midwater trawl
- Bottom trawl
- Dredge

- Purse seine
- Seine nets
- Lift nets
- Gillnets and entangling nets
- Hook and line
- Long line
- Handlines and pole-lines
- Pots and traps
- Miscellaneous

Summary

Co-op Food has a public policy to carefully monitor and control its fish supplies, applying this policy to all fresh, frozen and processed fish across its own-brand range. Aiming to source all its seafood from well managed farms and fisheries, Co-op has been working with the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership (SFP) to understand risks in its seafood supply chain since 2012, and became one of the first companies to participate in the Ocean Disclosure Project in 2015. Co-op is also a member of the Sustainable Seafood Coalition (SSC), a partnership of UK businesses working together to support sustainable seafood, and ensures that all seafood is sourced and labelled in accordance with the SSC Codes of Conduct. Co-op Food supports several fishery improvement projects (FIPs) and notably increased its range of MSC-certified products from 28 in 2015 to 54 in 2017.

This profile covers all main wild-caught seafood sourced in 2018.



http://www.co-operativefood.co.uk/food-matters/reducing-our-impacts/reducing-our-impacts-fish-sourcing/

Associated Fisheries

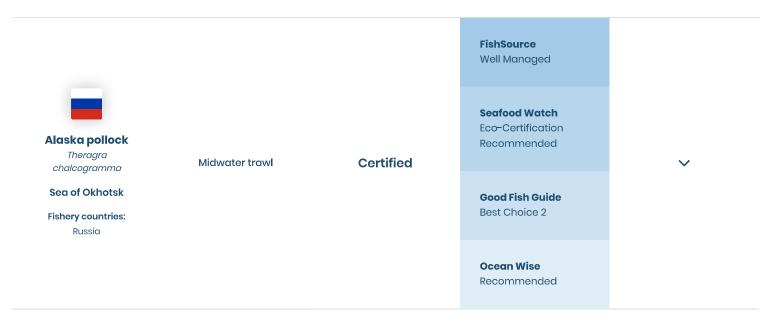


Species and Location	Production Methods	Certification or Improvement Project	Stock Status and Management	Notes
	Midwater trawl	Certified	FishSource Well Managed	~
Alaska pollock Theragra chalcogramma Aleutian Islands, E Bering Sea, Gulf of			Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended	
Alaska Fishery countries: U.S.			Good Fish Guide Best Choice 1	
			Ocean Wise Recommended	
			NOAA FSSI	

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low and there are mitigation measures in place.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Environmental Notes

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General Notes

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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- $\bullet\,$ By catch rates are thought to be higher than that of the pelagic trawl fishery.
- There is a lack of information regarding the impact of this fishery on the sea bed.

General Notes

• No additional notes.



- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species. The risk to marine mammals of entanglement in lobster gear is considered low.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species but may impact food availability to PET species. The FIP aims to better understand the impacts of the fishery on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low. However, anomalous environmental conditons observed since 2013 have been associated with an increased catch of non-target species.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed. The FIP aims to better understand the impacts of the fishery on habitats.

General Notes

- This fishery entered into two FIPs in January 2017, one for the small scale purse-seine fishery, and one for the industrial purse-seine fishery.
- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



- Occasional interactions with seabirds and marine mammals are known to occur within this fishery, but data is too limited to state whether this hinders their recovery. An MSC condition is in place to provide evidence of effects on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

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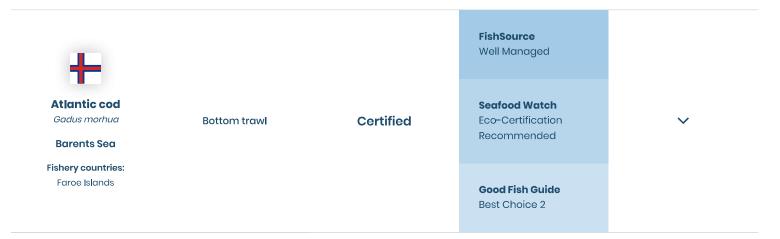


Environmental Notes

- There are risks to sharks, skates and seabirds with this fishery.
- Bycatch for this fishery is a risk, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

No additional notes



Environmental Notes

• There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.

Bottom trawl

Seine nets

- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species
- The impact depends on the gear type. Bottom trawls will have the greatest impact on the sea bed. MSC conditions and recommendations are in place to strengthen understanding of fishery interactions with sensitive habitat.

General Notes

No additional notes.



Certified

FishSourceWell Managed



Gadus morhua

Barents Sea
entangling nets

Fishery countries:
Norway

Long line

Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended

Good Fish GuideBest Choice 2

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. MSC conditions and recommendations are in place to strengthen understanding of fishery interactions with sensitive habitat.

General Notes

No additional notes.



Environmental Notes

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General Notes

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General Notes

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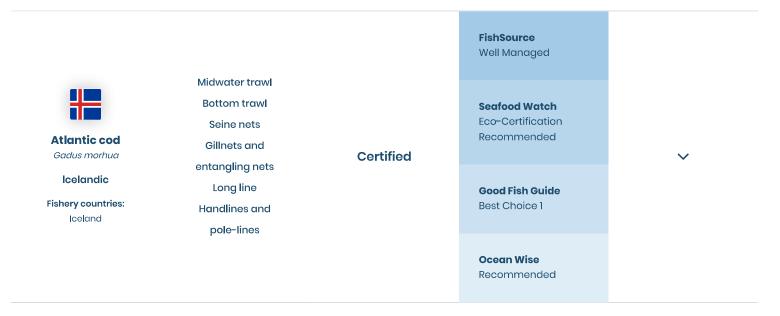


Environmental Notes

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General Notes

• No additional notes.



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General Notes

No additional notes.







Atlantic mackerel Scomber scombrus NE Atlantic Fishery countries:

Denmark, U.K.

Purse seine

Seafood Watch

Eco-Certification Recommended

Good Fish Guide

Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise

Recommended

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to PET species with this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• The MSC certificate for this fishery was publicly suspended in March 2019 (after the reporting period for this profile) due to concerns regarding overfishing.



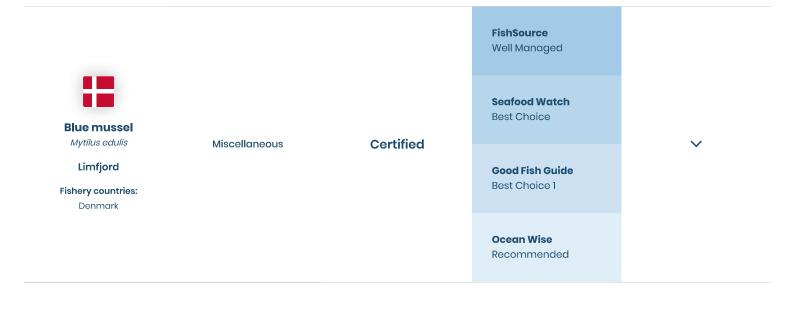
Environmental Notes

• No information was found regarding impacts for this gear type.

General Notes

References

<u>Fishery Progress - INACTIVE Indonesia South Kalimantan shrimp - trammel net</u>



- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is not a risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is highly unlikely to adversely affect the sea bed.

General Notes

• No additional notes.

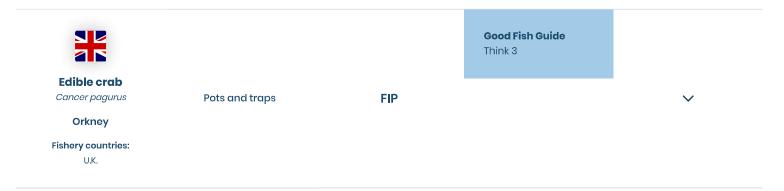


Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- Profile not yet complete.
- Dredges will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to sea turtles and marine mammals of entanglement in pot ropes with this fishery.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low. Non-target species are usually released alive.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



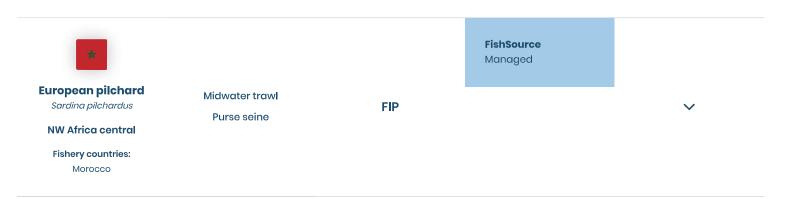
Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2 Ocean Wise Not recommended

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Environmental Notes

- Available data is still limited, but work is underway in the Moroccan FIP to determine fishery interactions with PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low, but available data is still limited. Work is in progress in the Moroccan FIP to identify and quantify discards.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is covered by the Morocco sardine pelagic trawl and seine FIP.
- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to cause unacceptable impacts to PET species.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but management measures are in place to reduce impacts.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. But, the fishery is considered highly unlikely to irreparably reduce habitat structure and function.

General Notes



European plaice

Pleuronectes platessa

North Sea and Skagerrak

Fishery countries: U.K.

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource Well Managed

Seafood Watch

Eco-Certification Recommended

Good Fish Guide

Best Choice 2

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- Profile not yet complete.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• No additional notes.



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Barents Sea

Fishery countries: Faroe Islands

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource

Well Managed

Seafood Watch

Eco-Certification Recommended

Good Fish Guide

Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- All fish caught must be retained, recorded and landed.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• No additional notes.



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:

Seine nets Gillnets and entangling nets

Hook and line Long line

Certified

FishSource

Well Managed

Seafood Watch

Eco-Certification Recommended

Ocean Wise

Not recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



Environmental Notes

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- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• No additional notes.

			FishSource Well Managed	
Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus Barents Sea	Bottom trawl	Certified	Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended	~
Fishery countries: Russia			Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2	

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- MSC conditions are in place to assess the impact of the fishery on bycatch species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• No additional notes.

	Long line	Certified	FishSource Well Managed	~
Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus Barents Sea Fishery countries:			Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended	
Russia			Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2	
			Ocean Wise Not recommended	

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low. An MSC condition is in place for retained species.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. Measures to protect vulnerable habitats such as cold water coral reefs are in place.

General Notes

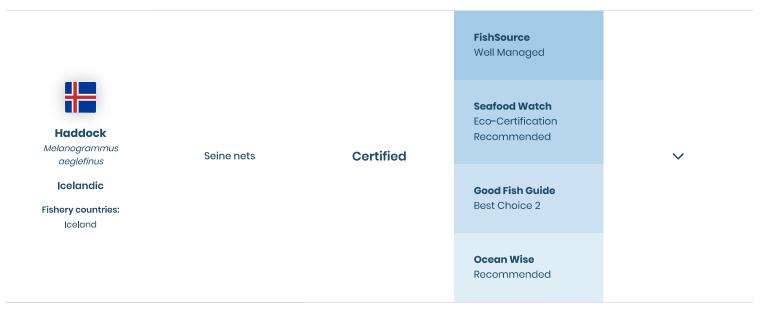
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General Notes

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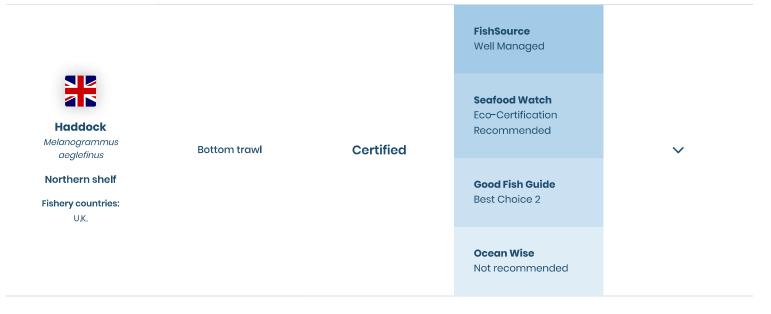


Environmental Notes

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- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



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- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. But, the fishery is considered highly unlikely to irreparably reduce habitat structure and function.

General Notes

• As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.



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- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

• As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds with this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bycatch of non-target species is considered low and mitigation measures are in place.

Bottom trawl

• Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

This species plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.

References

Seafish Risk Assessment for Sourcing Seafood (RASS) - Northern shrimp (Pandalus borealis), mutiple profiles,



Certified

FishSource Well Managed



Pandalus borealis
Western Greenland

Fishery countries: Greenland Seafood Watch

Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide

Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise

Recommended

Environmental Notes

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- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

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	Bottom trawl	Prospective FIP	Seafood Watch Avoid	
Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus Botney Gut- Silver Pit, Firth of Clyde, South			Good Fish Guide Think 4	~
Minch Fishery countries: U.K.			Ocean Wise Not recommended	

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

References

<u>Fishery Progress - PROSPECTIVE United Kingdom Norway lobster - pot/trap & trawl</u>

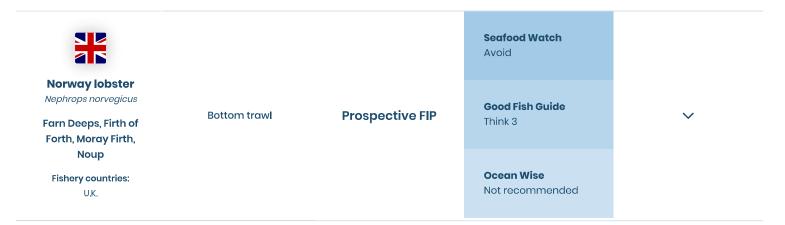
	Bottom trawl	Prospective FIP	FishSource Needs Improvement	,
Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus Irish Sea East, North Minch			Seafood Watch Avoid	
Fishery countries: U.K.			Good Fish Guide Think 3	
			Ocean Wise Not recommended	

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

<u>Fishery Progress - PROSPECTIVE United Kingdom Norway lobster - pot/trap & trawl</u>



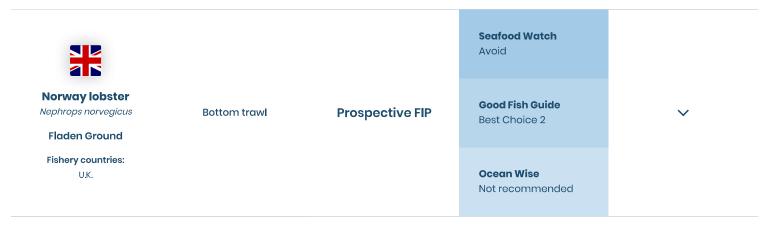
Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

References

<u>Fishery Progress - PROSPECTIVE United Kingdom Norway lobster - pot/trap & trawl</u>



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery includes cod, haddock and whiting. Mitigation measures, including the use of more selective gears, have been implemented to reduce unwanted catch.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

References

Fishery Progress - PROSPECTIVE United Kingdom Norway lobster - pot/trap & trawl

	Bottom trawl	Prospective FIP	Seafood Watch Avoid	~
Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus Devil's Hole Fishery countries:			Good Fish Guide Avoid 5	
U.K.			Ocean Wise Not recommended	

- Profile not yet complete.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

References

<u>Fishery Progress - PROSPECTIVE United Kingdom Norway lobster - pot/trap & trawl</u>



Environmental Notes

- There is no specific information on the impact of this fishery on Protected, Endangered and Threatened species
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



Environmental Notes

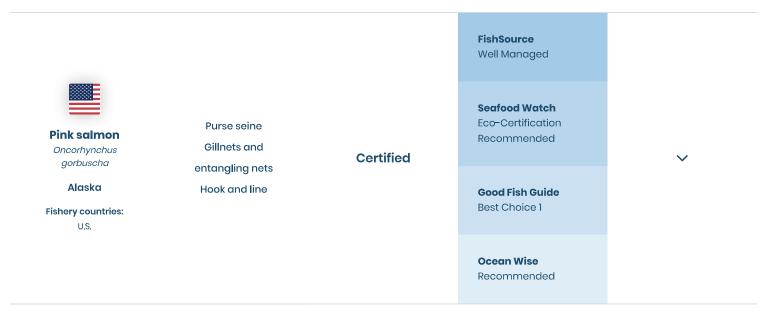
- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.

• Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

References

Organizacion Internacional Agropecuaria (OIA), June 2017, Public Comment Draft Report for Patagonian Scallop Bottom Otter Trawl Fishery in Argentine Sea



Environmental Notes

- While encounters with marine mammals and birds have been documented in this fishery, the impact on PET species is not thought to be significant.
- There is no risk of bycatch for this fishery. Catches of other salmon species are accounted for in the pink salmon management.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

General Notes

References

Intertek Moody Marine, 2013, MSC Public Certification Report for Alaska Salmon Fishery



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low and non-target species are released alive.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

General Notes

References

SCS Global Services, 2015, MSC Public Certification Report for Iturup Pink & Chum Salmon Fisheries

*:	Pots and traps	FIP	Seafood Watch Avoid	~
Red swamp crawfish Procambarus clarkii Chinese waters			Good Fish Guide Think 3	
Fishery countries: China			Ocean Wise Not recommended	

- There is a lack of information on interactions with PET species in this fishery, but the introduced red swamp crawfish presents a risk to native crawfish species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is likely to be low.
- This fishery takes place in natural freshwater systems and rice fields and is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

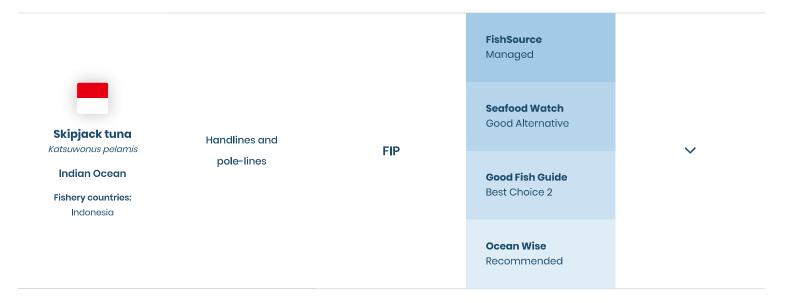
General Notes

As an introduced species, the impacts of the fishery on native species and ecosystems need to be considered.

References

Fishery Progress, China crayfish - pot/trap

SAI Global, 2016, Report on Qianjiang Hubei Province Red Swamp Crayfish fisheries - A Technical Review Document for the Development of a Fishery Improvement Project

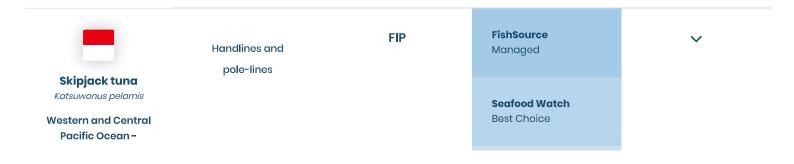


Environmental Notes

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- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

No additional notes.



WCPFC

Fishery countries: Indonesia **Good Fish Guide**

Best Choice 2

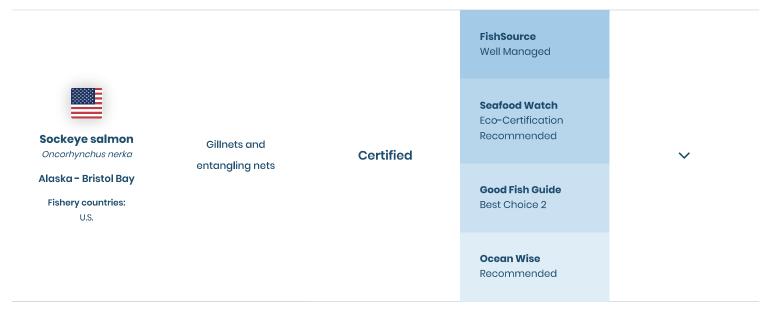
Ocean Wise
Recommended

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General Notes

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General Notes

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Environmental Notes

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• Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

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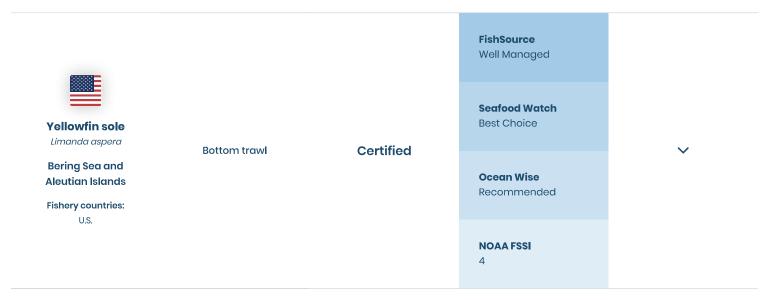


Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Midwater trawls may have an occasional but cumulative impact.

General Notes

• This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Environmental Notes

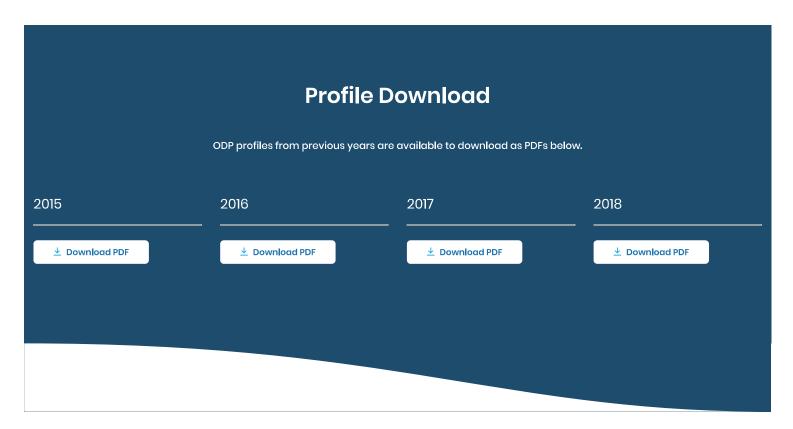
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- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

MRAG Americas, 2015, MSC Public Certification Report for Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Alaska Flatfish Fishery





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