Catch report for 2017 and 2018 for yelloweye rockfish off the U.S West Coast

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Best available estimates of total mortality of yelloweye rockfish (*Sebastes ruberrimus*) have not exceed the Annual Catch Limits (ACL) for the years of 2017 and 2018. The 2017 and 2018 ACLs for yelloweye rockfish were 20 mt for each year.

Year	At-sea- hake	IFQ Trawl		Open Access	Rec.	Researc	h Total
2017 2018	0		0.68 0.68				17.4 15.65

Estimates of the catch were obtained from the following sources by group:

- The 2017 mortality estimates from the at-sea-hake, trawl, fixed gear, open access, and recreational groups were obtained from the Groundfish Mortality Report (Somers et al. 2018).
- The 2018 mortality estimates from the at-sea-hake, trawl, fixed gear, open access, and recreational groups were estimated based on the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) Scorecard (Groundfish Management Team 2018).
- The 2017 and 2018 mortality estimates for the halibut group were not available and the assumed values were selected by the GMT based on historical mortality.
- The 2017 and 2018 mortality estimates for the research group were obtained from the West Coast Region.

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