

Trawl Groundfish Bycatch Year to Date

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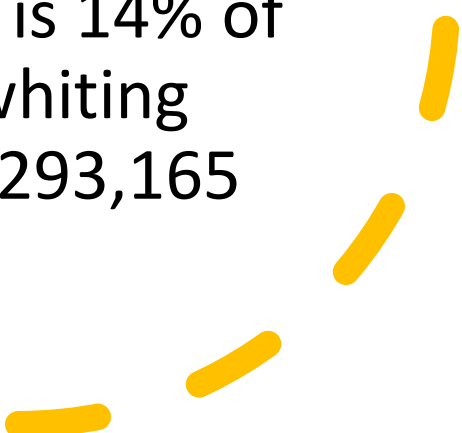


2020 Whiting Sectors as a Whole

As of 9/10/2020

Whiting sectors have collectively harvested 204,045 mt (449,715,180 pounds) of Pacific whiting which is approximately 58% of the coastwide allocation.

At the same time the sectors have encountered 1,536 Chinook which is 14% of the 11,000 Chinook guideline for whiting fisheries or one Chinook for every 293,165 pounds of whiting harvested



Shoreside Whiting Sector

- Began fishing May 15th, 2020
- Harvested 106,979 mt (235,781,716 pounds)
- 73% of the shoreside whiting sector allocation
- Encountered 1,133 Chinook which is 10% of the 11,000 Chinook guideline for whiting fisheries
- Encountered 65 Coho which is 13% of the 474 Coho guideline for whiting fisheries

Mothership Sector

- Began fishing May 15th, 2020
- Last MS delivery in early July prior to platforms leaving for B Season pollock in Alaska
- Sector has harvested 32,837 mt (72,372,748 pounds) which is 39% of the Mothership Sector Allocation
- During the spring fishery the sector encountered 65 Chinook which is 0.5% of the 11,000 Chinook guideline for whiting fisheries
- During the spring fishery the sector encountered 2 Coho which is 0.4% of the 474 Coho guideline for whiting fisheries

Non-Whiting Trawl Sectors

- IFQ Bottom Trawl and IFQ Midwater Trawl fisheries have been operating since January 1, 2020
- Collectively these sectors have harvested 32,985,961 pounds of groundfish to-date in 2020
- The non-whiting trawl sectors have encountered 245 Chinook during last 8.5 months of fishing which is 4% of the 5,500 Chinook guideline for non-whiting trawl fisheries



Shortbelly Rockfish

As of 9/10/2020 PacFIN reports total mortality of 517 mt of shortbelly rockfish across groundfish sectors which is 17% of the 3,000 mt Annual Catch Limit

Sixty-six percent of the encounters (342 mt) have occurred within the whiting sectors

Mothership Sector Performance compared with At-sea Set Asides

Species	At-sea Set-aside	YTD Attainment	MS catch YTD	MS % of Set-aside
Sablefish	50 mt	26%	8.65 mt	17%
Canary rockfish	46 mt	2%	0.50 mt	1%
Darkblotched rockfish	38.7 mt	93%	5.02 mt	12%
Pacific Ocean Perch	394 mt	1%	0.38 mt	<1%
Shortbelly rockfish	n/a	n/a	29.65 mt	n/a
Widow rockfish	578 mt	11%	19.37 mt	3%
Yellowtail rockfish	300 mt	55%	90.2 mt	30%

Questions?