



# NOAA FISHERIES

## Sustainable Fisheries

### 2016 Quarter 2 Update through June 30, 2016

**2016 Quarter 2 Score = 754** (April 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016)

#### Overview

The Fish Stock Sustainability Index (FSSI) is a performance measure for the sustainability of 199 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 June 30, 2016

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
<b>Known Status</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>Known Status</b>	<b>170</b>
<b>Not Subject to Overfishing</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>Not Overfished (includes 2 stock approaching an overfished condition)</b>	<b>141</b>
<b>Subject to Overfishing</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Overfished</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Unknown Status</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Unknown Status</b>	<b>29</b>

#### Summary of Changes for FSSI stocks from April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016

Stock	Jurisdiction	Previous Status	Current Status
Puerto Rico Triggerfishes and Filefishes Complex	CFMC	Not Subject to overfishing	Subject to overfishing
Caribbean spiny lobster - Puerto Rico	CFMC	Not Subject to overfishing	Subject to overfishing
Blue king crab - Saint Matthew Island	NPFMC	B/B <sub>MSY</sub> >80%	B/B <sub>MSY</sub> <80%

<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.

### Overview of non-FSSI stocks through June 30, 2016

Overfishing Status	Number of Stocks	Overfished Status	Number of Stocks
Known Status	135	Known Status	63
Not Subject to Overfishing	122	Not Overfished (includes 1 stock approaching an overfished condition)	54
Subject to Overfishing	13	Overfished	9
Unknown Status	139	Unknown Status	211

### Summary of Changes for non-FSSI stocks from April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016

- Puerto Rico Wrasses Complex is subject to overfishing (was previously not subject to overfishing)

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/)