



**COMMERCIAL LANDINGS OF BLUEFIN TUNA**  
 As of February 29, 2012

**Weekly Quota Report**

Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Landing Data between 01/01/2012 and 02/29/2012.

Category	Sub Category	Current Year 2012				Previous Year 2011		
		Count of Fish	Avg Weight (lb)	Gross Weight (mt)	Quota_Proposed (mt)	Count of Fish	Avg Weight (lb)	Gross Weight (mt)
General		288	281	36.7	435.1	77	225.2	7.9
	Handline							
	Harpoon							
	Rod and Reel	288	281.0	36.7		77	225.2	7.9
Harpoon					36.0			
Longline		159	447.2	32.2	86.1	72	394.1	12.9
	NED				25.0			
	North	38	320.0	5.5	24.4	22	277.8	2.8
	South	121	487.1	26.7	36.7	50	445.2	10.1
Trap					.9			
Purse Seine					171.8			
	Giant							
	Large Medium							
Reserve					70.5			
<b>Total:</b>		<b>447</b>	<b>340.1</b>	<b>68.9</b>	<b>800.4</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>306.8</b>	<b>20.8</b>

**NOTE**

- This report SHOULD NOT be considered useful for real time catch monitoring purposes. It only includes landings reported to NMFS to date.
- These numbers are considered preliminary and are subject to change.
- The proposed 2012 Bluefin Tuna Specifications (77 FR 15712, March 16, 2012) would adjust the 2012 quota and subquotas to account for 2011 unharvested and to address anticipated 2012 dead discards.

This notice is a courtesy to Atlantic tuna fisheries interests to keep you informed about the fishery. Official notice of Federal fishery actions is made through filing such notice with the Office of the Federal Register. To view catch statistics from previous months, please visit [http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/hmsdocument\\_files/Tuna.htm](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/hmsdocument_files/Tuna.htm) or contact Brad McHale at (978) 281-9260.

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