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## **NMFS Announces the Availability of the 2011 Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation Report for Atlantic Highly Migratory Species**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces the availability of the 2011 Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Report for Atlantic highly migratory species (HMS).

The SAFE Report contains a review of the current status of Atlantic HMS stocks (tunas, swordfish, billfish, and sharks), describes the year's accomplishments in managing Atlantic HMS, and provides an assessment of short-term future management of Atlantic HMS. The SAFE Report provides Atlantic HMS fishery constituents information on the latest developments in Atlantic HMS management as well as fulfills Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act requirements.

Copies of the 2011 SAFE Report are available upon request from the Highly Migratory Species Management Division's website at:

[http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/hmsdocument\\_files/SAFEreports.htm](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/hmsdocument_files/SAFEreports.htm) or by contacting Craig Cockrell at [Craig.Cockrell@noaa.gov](mailto:Craig.Cockrell@noaa.gov) or by phone at 301-427-8503.

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