

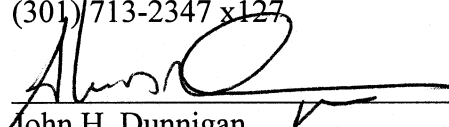


Atlantic Swordfish Landings Update
2004 First and Second Semi-Annual Seasons

The table below provides preliminary landings estimates and remaining quotas as of May 31, 2005, in pounds (lbs) and metric tons (mt) dressed weight (dw) for the Atlantic swordfish fisheries for the first and second semi-annual seasons of the 2004 fishing year (June 1, 2004, through May 31, 2005). The revised quotas for the 2004 and 2005 fishing years were published in the Federal Register on November 23, 2004 (69 FR 68090). The 2005 annual directed base landings quota for North Atlantic swordfish is 2937.6 mt dw (not adjusted for underharvests), and the annual incidental quota is 300 mt dw. In addition, 150.4 mt dw North Atlantic swordfish quota may be caught between 5 degrees North latitude and 5 degrees South latitude. The annual directed base landings quota for South Atlantic swordfish is 75 mt dw (not adjusted for underharvests).

	Quota mt dw	Landings		Remaining Quota		Percent of Quota Taken
		mt dw	lbs dw	mt dw	lbs dw	
NORTH ATLANTIC SWORDFISH						
Directed Fishery First Season	2,517.5	872.5	1,923,481	1,645.0	3,626,600	35%
Directed Fishery Second Season	2,517.5	594.5	1,310,539	1,923.0	4,239,542	24%
Incidental Fishery (annual quota)	300	5.4	12,013	294.6	649,367	2%
Total (Directed)	5,035	1,467	3,234,020	3,568	7,866,141	29%
SOUTH ATLANTIC SWORDFISH						
Directed Fishery (annual quota)	334.3	0.0	0	334.3	736,998	0%

This FAX notice is a courtesy to Atlantic swordfish fishery interests to keep you informed about your 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/swordfish_catch_statistics.htm or contact Chris Rilling at (301) 713-2347 x127


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