

2012 South Atlantic Commercial Landings, Received from Southeast Fisheries Science Center
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Preliminary 2012 Commercial South Atlantic Landings (Fishing year January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012)							
Species Complex	Fishing Year	Current Landings (lb)	ACL (lb)	Units	ACL (%)	Date Closed 2012	Date Closed 2011
Atlantic spadefish	January 1 – December 31	2,062	36,476	ww	5.65		
Bar Jack		3,087	6,686	ww	46.17		
Black Grouper		43,067	90,575	ww	47.55	10/20/12(i)	
Blue runner		168,157	188,329	ww	89.29		
Cobia		108,731	125,712	ww	86.49		
Deepwater complex (a)		359,249	343,869	ww	104.47	9/8/2012	
Dolphin		384,838	1,065,524	ww	36.12		
Gag		331,421	352,940	gw	93.9	10/20/12(i)	
Golden crab		623,528	2,000,000	ww	31.18		
Golden tilefish		415,693	541,295	gw	76.80 (h)	2/17/2012	3/9/2011
Goliath grouper		-	0	ww	-	-	-
Gray triggerfish		288,168	305,262	ww	94.4	9/11/2012	
Grunts (b)		93,937	214,624	ww	43.77		
Hogfish		25,612	48,772	ww	52.51		
Jacks (c)		360,319	193,999	ww	185.73	7/2/2012	
Mutton snapper		70,455	157,743	ww	44.66		
Nassau grouper		-	0	ww	-	-	-
Porgies (d)		37,618	35,129	ww	107.09	9/8/2012	
Red Grouper		167,040	284,680	ww	58.68	10/20/12(i)	
Red Porgy		128,892	190,050	gw	67.82		
Red Snapper		4,220	20,818	gw	20.27	09/24/12 (e)	CLOSED
Scamp		180,144	341,636	ww	52.73	10/20/12(i)	
Shallow water grouper (f)		23,423	49,488	ww	47.33	10/20/12(i)	
Snappers (g)		124,297	204,552	ww	60.77		
Snowy grouper		70,645	82,900	gw	85.22		
Speckled hind		-	0	ww	-	-	-
Wahoo		52,704	64,147	ww	82.16		
Warsaw grouper		-	0	ww	-	-	-
Yellowtail snapper	1,131,716	1,596,510	ww	70.89			

a) Deepwater Complex: Yellowedge grouper, blueline tilefish, silk snapper, misty grouper, queen snapper, sand tilefish, black snapper, blackfin snapper

(b) Grunts: White grunt, margate, sailor's choice, tomtate

(c) Jacks: Almaco jack, banded rudderfish, lesser amberjack

(d) Porgies: Jolthead, knobbed, saucereye, whitebone, scup

(e) Commercial red snapper harvest was open from September 17 - 24 with a 50 pound trip limit. Red snapper reopened for commercial harvest from November 13 - 21. For more information please visit: <http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/sf/2012SARedSnapperSeason.htm>.

(f) Shallow Water Grouper: Red hind, rock hind, coney, graysby, yellowfin grouper, yellowmouth grouper

(g) Snappers: Gray, lane, cubera, dog, mahogany

(h) Commercial harvest of Golden tilefish closed on February 17, 2012, however, the final rule for Regulatory Amendment 12 increased the annual catch limit from 282,819 pounds gutted weight to 541,295 pounds gutted weight. As a result, commercial harvest of golden tilefish reopened on October 9, 2012, and will close if the annual catch limit of 541,295 pounds gutted weight is met or projected to be met before December 31, 2012. The commercial trip limit is 300 pounds gutted weight for the remainder of 2012.

(i) Commercial harvest was closed on October 20, 2012, however, the gag ACL was not met; therefore commercial harvest will reopen from November 13 - 21, 2012.

Preliminary 2012 – 2013 Commercial South Atlantic Landings

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Black Sea Bass	July 1, 2012 – May 31, 2013 (a)	301,695	309,000	gw	97.64	10/08/12	7/15/2011
Greater Amberjack	May 1, 2012 – April 30, 2013	463,479	800,163	ww	57.92		
Vermilion Snapper	January 1, 2012 – June 30, 2012	384,791	315,523	gw	121.95	2/29/2012	3/10/2011
	July 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012	490,494	302,523		162.13	9/28/2012	9/30/2011
Wreckfish	April 16, 2012 – April 15, 2013	confidential landings	223,250	ww	confidential landings		
King Mackerel	March 1, 2012 - February 28, 2013	979,770	3,880,000	ww	25.25		
Spanish Mackerel (b)		1,148,895	3,130,000	ww	36.71		