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SUBJECT: Preliminary 2007-2008 Commercial Landings

The Southeast Fisheries Science Center has provided the following **preliminary landings estimates** for species in the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's area of jurisdiction subject to quota management through July 31, 2008.

Species	Fishing Year	Current Landings (lb)	Quota (lb)	Quota (%)
Atlantic Group king mackerel	03/01/08 - 02/28/09	341,348 <sup>a</sup>	3,710,000	9.20
Atlantic Group Spanish mackerel	03/01/08 - 02/28/09	327,745 <sup>a</sup>	3,870,000	9.10 <sup>b</sup>
Gulf king mackerel - Eastern Zone-East Coast subzone	11/01/07 - 03/31/08	1,028,925 <sup>c</sup>	1,040,625	98.90
Snowy grouper	01/01/08 - 12/31/08	24,896	84,000	29.63
Golden tilefish	01/01/08 - 12/31/08	264,393	295,000	89.62
Greater amberjack	05/01/08 - 04/30/09	159,492	1,169,931	13.63
Black sea bass	06/01/08 - 05/31/09	11,781	309,000	3.81
Vermilion snapper	01/01/08 - 12/31/08	374,270	1,100,000	34.02
Red porgy	01/01/08 - 12/31/08	40,068	127,000	31.54 <sup>d</sup>
Wreckfish	04/16/07 - 04/15/08	<sup>d</sup>	2,000,000	<sup>d</sup>
Dolphin	01/01/07 - 12/31/07	936,497	1,500,000 <sup>e</sup>	62.43
Octocoral	01/01/07 - 12/31/07	43,694 <sup>f</sup>	50,000	87.39

- a. Atlantic king and Spanish mackerel data includes preliminary landings through July 15, 2008.
- b. Atlantic Spanish mackerel Quota (%) is based on the adjusted quota of 3,620,000.
- c. Gulf king mackerel - East Coast subzone closed on February 21, 2008.
- d. Confidential landings
- e. The Dolphin Wahoo Fishery Management Plan established a 1.5 million pound cap for the dolphin commercial fishery. Data includes preliminary landings from Florida to Connecticut during January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007.
- f. Octocoral landings are reported twice a year with final landings reported by May of the next year; therefore, these are the total landings in federal waters for 2007.

