King Mackerel

Preliminary landings of king mackerel from the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) Quota Monitoring System as of March 6, 2019. Fishing year begins March 1.

Atlantic Group ACL for 2019/2020 = 4,700,000 lbs

Northern Zone Quota = 1,082,880 lbs

Southern Zone Quota = 3,617,120 lbs

Southern Zone Quota Season 1 (March 1-September 30): 2,170,272 lbs

Southern Zone Quota Season 2 (October 1-end of February): 1,446,848 lbs

	Atlantic Group King Mackerel Landings							
	Historic Landings				Current Year (2019/2020) Landings			
					North	South	South	Total
	2016/2017*	2017/2018	2018/2019			(Season 1)	(Season 2)	(North and
Report								South)
					Confidential	Confidential		
Total Landings	1,538,437	2,754,311	2,828,703		Data	Data	n/a	
% quota	39.7	46.7	54.4					

*ACLs and quotas changed through the implementation of CMP Amendment 26 on May 11, 2017 (82 FR 17388). The 2017/2018 ACL and the 2018/2019 ACL for the Atlantic Group was 5,900,000 (Northern Zone = 1,359,360, Southern Zone = 4,540,920). The 2016/2017 ACL for the Atlantic Group was 3,880,000 (Northern Zone Quota = 1,292,040, Southern Zone Quota = 2,587,960). The 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 quota was 3,880,000.

Spanish Mackerel

Preliminary landings of Spanish mackerel from the SEFSC Quota Monitoring System as of March 6, 2019.

Fishing year begins March 1.

ACL for 2018/2019= 3,330,000 lbs

Northern Quota = 662,670 lbs

Southern Quota = 2,667,330 lbs (Adjusted quota = 2,417,330 lbs).

	Atlantic Group Spanish Mackerel Landings							
	Historical Landings				Current Year (2019/2020) Landings			
Report	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019**		North	South	Total	
					Confidential		Confidential	
Total	3,205,370	3,221,832*	3,919,387		Landings	5,327	Landings	
% adjusted								
% quota	96.3	96.8	117.7					

*Originally, the 2017/2018 commercial quota for Atlantic migratory group Spanish mackerel northern zone was 662,670 pounds. However, regulations allow for quota transfers between the northern and southern zones with the approval from the Regional Administrator of NOAA Fisheries to allow the commercial quota for both zones to be fully harvested. 100,000 pounds of Spanish mackerel were transferred from the southern zone quota to the northern zone quota. Therefore, **the revised quotas are 2,567,330 pounds for the southern zone and 762,670 pounds for the northern zone**. The commercial sector in the Northern Zone closed on November 7, 2017.

** The commercial sector in the Northern Zone closed on November 4, 2018. The commercial sector for the Southern Zone closed on February 5, 2019.

<u>Cobia</u>

Preliminary landings of cobia from the SEFSC Quota Monitoring System as of March 6, 2019. Fishing year begins January 1.

Atlantic Group Quota = 50,000 lbs Florida East Coast Quota = 70,000 lbs

	Cot	oia South Atlantic Gr	oup	Cobia Gulf of Mexico East Coast (Florida)*			
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	
Reported to SEFSC	28,407	25,376	2,601	35,162	30,299	8,632	
	33,269	Not available at	Not available at	3,195	Not available	Not available	
Reported to the States	33,209	this time.	this time.	5,195	at this time.	at this time.	
Total	61,676	25,376	2,601	38,357	30,299	8,632	
% quota	123.4%	50.7%	5.2%	54.8%	43.3%	12.3%	

*There is no total ACL; the Florida East Coast Zone is part of the Gulf migratory group. Total numbers are provided for comparison to previous years. Commercial harvest of cobia closed on September 5, 2018.