## **King Mackerel**

Preliminary landings of king mackerel from the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) Quota Monitoring System as of June 8, 2018. Fishing year begins March 1.

Atlantic Group ACL for 2017/2018 = 5,200,000 lbs

Northern Zone Quota = 1,198,0800 lbs

Southern Zone Quota = 4,001,920 lbs

Southern Zone Quota Season 1 (March 1-September 30): 2,401,152 lbs Southern Zone Quota Season 2 (October 1-end of February): 1,600,768 lbs

	Atlantic Group King Mackerel Landings							
	Historic Landings				Current Year (2018/2019) Landings			
					North	South	South	Total
	2015/2016	2016/2017*	2017/2018			(Season 1)	(Season 2)	(North and
Report								South)
<b>Total Landings</b>	1,794,127	2,632,963	2,754,298		53,289	536,631	n/a	589,920
% quota	46.2	40.5	46.7		4.5	22.4	n/a	11.3

<sup>\*</sup>ACLs and quotas changed through the implementation of CMP Amendment 26 on May 11, 2017 (82 FR 17388). The 2016/2017 ACL for the Atlantic Group= 6,500,000 (Northern Zone Quota=1,497,600, Southern Zone Quota 5,002,400). 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 June 8, 2018. Fishing year begins March 1.

ACL for 2017/2018= 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 (2018/2019) Landings			
Report	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018		North	South	Total	
Total	2,685,929	3,205,605	3,221,832*		105,132	375,304	480,436	
% adjusted						15.5		
% quota	80.7	96.2	96.7		15.9	14.1	14.4	

<sup>\*</sup>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.

## **Cobia**

Preliminary landings of cobia from the SEFSC Quota Monitoring System as of June 8, 2018. Fishing year begins January 1.

Atlantic Group Quota = 50,000 lbs

Florida East Coast Quota = 70,000 lbs

	Col	oia South Atlantic Gr	oup	Cobia Gulf of Mexico East Coast (Florida)*			
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018	
Reported to SEFSC	48,722	28,407	13,947	45,352	35,162	9,856	
Reported to the States	31,462	33,269	Not available at this time.	993	3,195	Not available at this time.	
Total	80,184	61,676	13,947	46,345	38,357	9,856	
% quota	160.4%	123%	28%	66.2%	54.8%	14.1%	

<sup>\*</sup>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.