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FISHING INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT IN OFFSHORE DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

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Responsible Offshore Development Alliance

Membership – Enthusiastic and growing!

- North Carolina to Maine
- ~30 Federal and State-permitted fisheries
- >150 individual members
- Commercial fishing associations, dealers and processors
- First West Coast members joined in Aug 2019

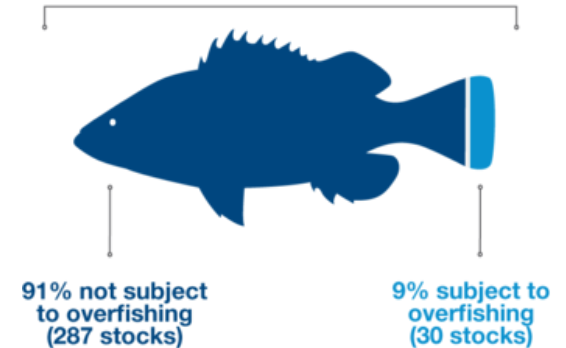




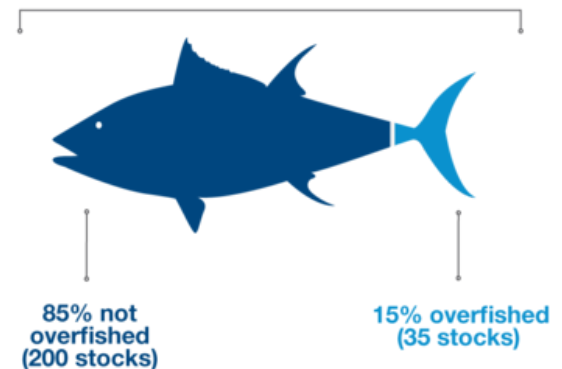
- All-time low of overfished stocks in the U.S.
 - Under Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA), overfishing must “immediately” cease
 - Stocks required to be rebuilt under MSA, 44 stocks rebuilt since 2000
- U.S. commercial fisheries landings is a \$5.4 billion industry
 - Atlantic Coast landings valued just under \$2 billion
 - Pacific Coast (excluding Alaska) valued at \$670 million

→ Both economic value and stock status improving overall

317 stocks with known status



235 stocks with known status



NOAA Fisheries 2017

Final Comments

1) Fishing information challenges:

- Low resolution data from landings
- Few CA fishermen with VMS
- Little spatial data from AIS

2) Engagement early, often, and inclusively

- RODA has a 10 year Memorandum of Understanding with BOEM and National Marine Fisheries Service
- RODA's Joint Industry Task Force

3) Responsible Offshore Science Alliance

- Regional coordination to advance research and monitoring of fisheries and offshore wind
- Supported by federal and state agencies

