

Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Annual Catch Limits Landings

Commercial

2020 Preliminary Landings							
Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Current Landings (lb)	ACT (lb)	ACT (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Current Status
Gray triggerfish	5/26/2020	30,896	60,900	50.7	64,100	48.2	Seasonal closure beings June 1
Greater amberjack		168,226	421,411	40.0	484,380	34.7	Opens June 1

2019 Final Landings							
Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Current Landings (lb)	ACT (lb)	ACT (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Current Status
Gray triggerfish	4/20/2020	62,203	60,298	103.2	63,498	98.1	Closed 11/26/2019
Greater amberjack		356,773	337,503	105.7	389,767	91.5	Closed 6/9/2019

Note: Gray triggerfish and greater amberjack each had an overage of the ACL in 2018; therefore, the 2019 ACT and ACL were reduced by the amount of the 2018 overage.

Recreational

2019/2020 Preliminary Landings (lb) by Two-month Wave

Species Complex	Aug	Sep-Oct	Nov -Dec	Jan- Feb	Mar- Apr	May- Jun	Jul	Total Reported	ACT (lb)	ACT (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Greater amberjack	250,793	194,161	596	0				445,550	1,086,985	41.0	1,309,620	34.0	Seasonal closure begins June 1

Note: Greater amberjack landings exclude Monroe County, Florida.

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2018/2019 Preliminary Landings (lb) by Two-month Wave

Species Complex	Aug	Sep-Oct	Nov -Dec	Jan- Feb	Mar- Apr	May- Jun	Jul	Total Reported	ACT (lb)	ACT (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Greater amberjack	361,662	567,063	522	0	212	13,092	3,355	945,906	902,185	104.8	1,086,970	87.0	Closed 5/1/19

Note: Greater amberjack landings exclude Monroe County, Florida.

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Recreational

2020 Preliminary Landings (lb) by Two-month Wave

Species Complex	Jan-Feb	Mar-Apr	May-Jun	July-Aug	Sep-Oct	Nov-Dec	Total Reported	ACT (lb)	ACT (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Gag	0						0	1,708,000	0	1,903,000	0	Opens June 1
Gray triggerfish	66						66	217,100	0	241,200	0	Closed 5/2/20
Red grouper	2,255						2,255	920,000	0.2	1,000,000	0.2	Open
Red snapper for-hire	0						0	2,504,000	0	3,130,000	0	Opens June 1

Note: Red grouper and gag landings exclude Monroe County, Florida

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2019 Preliminary Landings (lb) by Two-month Wave

Species Complex	Jan-Feb	Mar-Apr	May-Jun	July-Aug	Sep-Oct	Nov-Dec	Total Reported	ACT (lb)	ACT (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Gag	55	30	321,448	154,685	30,659	360,483	867,360	1,708,000	51.0	1,903,000	45.6	End of fishing year
Gray triggerfish	10	274,952	30,449	276	4,019	1,162	310,868	217,100	143.2	241,200	129.0	Closed 5/11/19
Red grouper	111,557	145,685	206,339	154,459	24,286	82,780	725,106	920,000	78.8	1,000,000	72.5	End of fishing year
Red snapper for-hire	29,719	18,341	1,203,745	1,324,575	0	1,024	2,577,404	2,848,000	90.5	3,130,000	82.3	Closed 8/2/19

Note: Red grouper and gag landings exclude Monroe County, Florida

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Recreational

2019 Red Snapper Private Angler Preliminary Landings (lb)			
State	Total Reported	State ACL	State ACL (%)
Florida	1,287,568	1,722,095	74.8
Alabama	1,062,281	1,079,573	98.4
Mississippi	150,279	151,584	99.1
Louisiana	848,340	816,439	103.9
Texas	260,606	265,090	98.3

Red snapper for the private angler was under state management through exempted fishing permits for 2018 and 2019. For more information, please go to the following link <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/southeast/state-recreational-red-snapper-management-exempted-fishing-permits> Red snapper for the private angler is officially under state management for 2020 with the implementation of Reef Fish Amendment 50. For more information, please go to the following link <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/amendment-50a-f-state-management-program-recreational-red-snapper>

Stock

2020 Preliminary Landings						
Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Landings (lb)	Total Reported	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Hogfish (commercial)	5/26/2020	4,136	7,754	129,500	6.0	Open
Hogfish (recreational)		3,618				
Lane Snapper (commercial)		7,769	49,020	301,000	16.3	Open
Lane Snapper (recreational)		41,251				
Mutton Snapper (commercial)		17,189	17,370	134,424	12.9	Open
Mutton Snapper (recreational)		181				
Vermilion Snapper (commercial)		396,765	430,077	3,110,000	13.8	Open
Vermilion Snapper (recreational)		33,312				

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2019 Preliminary Landings						
Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Landings (lb)	Total Reported	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Hogfish (commercial)	4/20/2020	9,413	64,677	129,500	47.0	End of fishing year
Hogfish (recreational)		55,264				
Lane Snapper (commercial)		23,716	373,876	301,000	124.2	Closed 12/13/2019
Lane Snapper (recreational)		350,160				
Mutton Snapper (commercial)		56,844	61,137	139,392	43.9	End of fishing year
Mutton Snapper (recreational)		4,293				
Vermilion Snapper (commercial)		1,275,486	2,628,298	3,110,000	84.5	End of fishing year

Vermilion Snapper (recreational)	1,352,812			
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Note: Lane snapper, mutton snapper, and vermillion snapper exceeded their ACL in 2018, therefore, a closure projection was made for the 2019 fishing season.

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Commercial

2019-2020 Preliminary Landings							
Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Current Landings (lb)	Quota (lb)	Quota (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Current Status
King Mackerel – Western Zone	5/26/2020	1,186,711	1,096,000	108.3	2,164,600	95.0	Closed 11/21/2019
King Mackerel – Northern Zone		258,645	493,200	52.4			Open
King Mackerel – Southern Zone (Hook and Line)		612,026	575,400	106.4			Closed 3/4/2020
King Mackerel – Southern Zone (Gillnet) ^{a,b}		521,318	530,043	98.4	530,043	98.4	Closed 2/25/2020

^aOpening date is the Tuesday after MLK Day (January 21, 2020).

^bKM gillnet had an ACL overage in 2018/2019, therefore there is a payback on the 2019/2020 gillnet ACL.

2018-2019 Final Landings							
Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Current Landings (lb)	Quota (lb)	Quota (%)	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Current Status
King Mackerel – Western Zone	4/20/2020	1,090,596	1,116,000	97.7	2,204,100	98.7	Closed 10/5/2018 and 11/19/2018
King Mackerel – Northern Zone		397,926	502,200	79.2			End of fishing year
King Mackerel – Southern Zone (Hook and Line)		687,587	585,900	117.4			Closed 2/22/2019
King Mackerel – Southern Zone (Gillnet) ^a		631,257	585,900	107.7	585,900	107.7	Closed 2/8/2019

^aOpening date is the Tuesday after MLK Day (January 22, 2019).

Recreational

2019-2020 Preliminary Landings (lb) by Two-month Wave

Species Complex	Jul-Aug	Sept-Oct	Nov-Dec	Jan-Feb	Mar-Apr	May-June	Total Reported	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Current Status
King Mackerel	350,435	352,833	112,033	18,070			833,371	5,810,000	14.3	Open

Note: The recreational fishing year for king mackerel is July 1 through June 31.

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2018-2019 Preliminary Landings (lb) by Two-month Wave

Species Complex	Jul-Aug	Sept-Oct	Nov-Dec	Jan-Feb	Mar-Apr	May-June	Total Reported	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Current Status
King Mackerel	805,817	211,810	188,784	75,220	570,297	417,941	2,269,869	6,040,000	37.6	End of fishing year

Note: The recreational fishing year for king mackerel is July 1 through June 31.

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Stock

Species Complex	Date Landings Available Through	Landings (lb)	Total Reported	ACL (lb)	ACL (%)	Status
Spanish Mackerel (commercial)	5/26/2020	122,879	122,879	11,300,000	1.1	Open
Spanish Mackerel (recreational)		NA				
Cobia (commercial)		14,904	15,454	1,660,000	0.9	Open
Cobia (recreational)		550				

Note: The fishing year for Spanish mackerel is from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021. The cobia fishing year is from January 1 through December 31, 2020.

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Spanish Mackerel (commercial)	4/20/2020	1,065,335	3,004,797	11,300,000	26.6	End of fishing year
Spanish Mackerel (recreational)		1,939,462				
Cobia (commercial)		35,225	654,461	1,660,000	39.4	End of fishing year
Cobia (recreational)		619,236				

Note: The fishing year for Spanish mackerel was from April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020. The cobia fishing year was from January 1 through December 31, 2019.

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