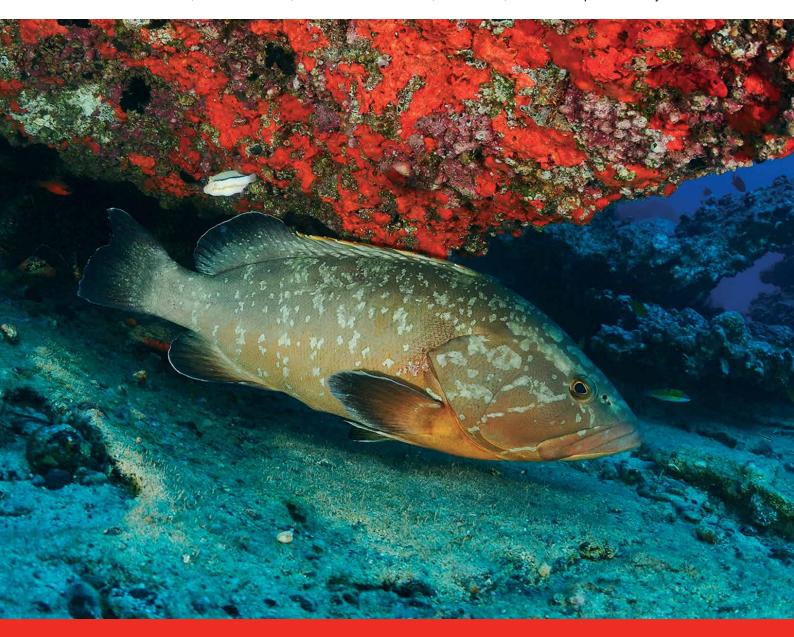
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# **Foreword**



Europe is a continent rich in natural and cultural heritage, with a diverse range of natural conditions from offshore deep seas to high alpine mountain tops, from dry Mediterranean maquis in the south to the Arctic tundra in the far north. Possibly more than anywhere else in the

world the European landscapes have been changed by human activities. In consequence, biodiversity loss is an enormous challenge in the EU today, with around one in four species currently being threatened with extinction.

Regional European Red Lists are an important tool to scientifically assess and communicate the status of species. They usefully complement the reporting under the Habitats and Birds Directives, as they usually address all species in a specific taxonomic group, not just those protected by EU legislation. They hence give important complementary and comprehensive information about the status of biodiversity in Europe.

Starting in 2007 with the launch of the European Red List of Mammals, all vertebrate groups have since been assessed according to the same IUCN Red List methodology; the current Red List for marine fishes is thus filling a gap for the last group of vertebrates that still remained to be assessed. Accordingly, for the first time ever, an assessment of the extinction risk for each and every vertebrate species occurring in the European Union (and in Europe) is now available.

Overall, the new European Red List of Marine Fishes shows that 7.5% of all marine fish species are threatened. This needs to be compared to the earlier assessments carried out for the other vertebrate species groups, which show that 17% of mammals, 13% of birds, 23% of amphibians, 20% of reptiles and 40% of freshwater fishes are threatened.

Looking at all marine fish species considered as not being in a secure status, the most frequently identified pressures are, over-exploitation (including unsustainable fishing, accidental by-catch and indirect effects on habitats), coastal and estuarine developments, energy production and mineral extraction, and marine pollution.

Remarkably however, the Red List assessment of marine fishes is also showing that species most at risk are not generally those that are subject to a targeted fisheries exploitation. It is rather the large-bodied, long-lived cartilaginous fishes (sharks, rays, skates, and sawfish) that appear to be in the worst condition, in particular in the Mediterranean Sea.

The report also shows that existing fisheries conservation measures have been successful for certain species, such as Atlantic Cod or Atlantic Bluefin Tuna, whose stocks have improved. However, for some other species, such as Atlantic Halibut, Atlantic Salmon and Turbot, additional efforts are still needed.

The European Red List of Marine Fishes, more than other Red List assessments so far, shows that the sustainable use of our wider environment and the maintenance of ecosystem services must come to the centre of our attention. Its findings are crucial for informing EU biodiversity and marine policy and effectively implementing EU legislation, such as the Common Fisheries Policy, the Marine Strategy Framework, the Birds and Habitats Directives and the Maritime Spatial Planning Directives, to improve the status of threatened marine species.

I hope that this European Red List of Marine Fishes will add another piece of evidence for the fact that our common efforts aimed at halting the loss of biodiversity and the implementation of related European legislation need to be continued and strengthened in the coming years.

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# **Executive summary**

#### **Aim**

The European Red List is a review of the conservation status of European species according to IUCN regional Red Listing guidelines. It identifies those species that are threatened with extinction at the regional level, so that appropriate conservation action can be taken to improve their status. This Red List publication summarises results for all described native European marine fishes.

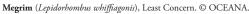
### Scope

All marine fishes, including all hagfish, cartilaginous fish and bony fish species native to or naturalised in Europe before AD 1500 (a total of 1,220 species), have been assessed in this Red List. The geographic scope encompasses the Mediterranean Sea, the Black Sea, the Baltic Sea, the North Sea and/or the European part of the Atlantic Ocean (i.e., the territorial waters and the Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZs) of all European countries in the Eastern part of the Atlantic Ocean, including the EEZs of the Macaronesian islands belonging to Portugal and Spain).

#### Status assessment

The status of all species was assessed using the *IUCN Red List Categories and Criteria* (IUCN 2012a), which are the world's most widely accepted system for measuring extinction risk. All assessments followed the *Guidelines for Application of IUCN Red List Criteria at Regional and National Levels* (IUCN 2012b).

These assessments were compiled based on the data and knowledge from a network of leading European and international experts on marine fish. The assessments were then completed and reviewed at three large workshops held in Spain, Belgium and the UK, as well as through email correspondence with relevant experts. More than 110 experts participated in the assessment and review process for European marine fishes. Assessments are available on the European Red List website and data portal: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist and http://www.iucnredlist.org/initiatives/europe.





#### **Results**

Overall, 7.5% of the total of European marine fish species that were assessed in this study are considered threatened (i.e., assessed as having an elevated risk of extinction) in European waters. A further 2.6% (26 species) are considered Near Threatened. However, for 204 species (20.6%), there was insufficient scientific information available to be able to evaluate their risk of extinction and thus they were classified as Data Deficient (DD). When more data become available, some of these species might also prove to be threatened.

By comparison, of those other groups that were assessed comprehensively in Europe, 59% of freshwater molluscs, 40% of freshwater fishes, 23% of amphibians, 20% of reptiles, 17% of mammals, 16% of dragonflies, 13% of birds, 9% of butterflies and bees, 8% of aquatic plants and 2% of medicinal plants are threatened (IUCN 2011a, Nieto *et al.* 2014, Allen *et al.* 2014, BirdLife International 2015). Additional European Red Lists assessing a selection of species showed that 22% of terrestrial molluscs, 16% of crop wild relatives and 15% of saproxylic beetles are also threatened (IUCN 2011a). No other groups have yet been assessed at the European level.

Looking at the population trends of European marine fish species, 8.4% (83 species) have declining populations, 21.5% (212 species) are more or less stable and 1.7% (17 species) are increasing. The population trends for 676 species (68.4%) remain unknown. Eight of the 184 species (4.3%) that are endemic to Europe (i.e., they are found nowhere else in the world) are threatened (Critically Endangered, Endangered, or Vulnerable), highlighting the responsibility that European countries have to protect the global populations of these species.

Overall, the European areas with the highest diversity of species are the coast of Portugal, the Macaronesian islands and the western Mediterranean Sea. Hotspots of endemic species are found in the Mediterranean Sea, in particular along the European coast, including the Balearic, Ligurian, Tyrrhenian, Adriatic and Aegean Seas. Furthermore, the greatest concentrations of threatened species appear off the Iberian Peninsula, the Mediterranean Sea and the Canary Islands. Finally, the highest number of Data Deficient (DD) species is present near the Macaronesian islands, particularly in the Madeiran and Canarian archipelagos.

The main threats to European marine fishes are overfishing, coastal development, energy production and mining, and pollution.

#### Recommendations

- Use the European and national Red Lists of marine fishes to inform revisions and implementation of relevant European legislation (including the Marine Strategy Framework Directive and the Maritime Spatial Planning Directive) to improve the status of threatened marine species, and to improve the knowledge of Data Deficient species.
- Continue, and where necessary, expand multi-national fisheries conservation initiatives and management of commercially shared stocks of exploited species, particularly in the Mediterranean and Black Seas.
- Take immediate measures to (i) reduce target and incidental catches of species assessed as threatened (i.e., Critically Endangered, Endangered and Vulnerable), (ii) enact measures to ensure sustainable management of species threatened by exploitation, and (iii) set and enforce science-based fishing opportunities and multi-annual management plans for all commercial species, especially those fisheries that target or affect species assessed as threatened and Near Threatened based on exploitation.
- Ensure compliance with the requirements under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) to apply the precautionary approach by harvesting species at levels to ensure Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) for all EU fisheries, especially those for highly migratory species.
- Ensure compliance with the requirements, under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) to apply the ecosystem-based management of fisheries.
- Improve collection of fisheries-dependent data of commercial fisheries, in particular data on catch composition, by-catch, landings, discards, and catch per unit effort, and where not already in place, establish monitoring schemes for small scale artisanal and recreational (line and spear) fisheries.
- Require fully documented fisheries and proper mapping of fisheries and fishing effort deployed though control technologies such as Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), Vessel Detection System (VDS) and/ or Automatic Identification System (AIS).
- Expand fisheries-independent data collection monitoring, especially for Data Deficient species, and monitoring of threatened species that are not

- currently sampled effectively, and ensure that such data are exchanged with relevant scientific bodies and Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMO) (e.g., ICES, GFCM, NEAFC, ICCAT).
- Improve EU and RFMO requirements for speciesspecific reporting of catches and landings of all species, especially chondrichthyans, and for quality assurance of these data so that improved analyses of long-term trends can be undertaken.
- Carry out analyses of species trends in both the Northeast Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea. In particular in the Mediterranean Sea, although there is the ongoing MEDITS survey, there is an urgent need for the development of region-wide time-series analyses of these data.
- For those taxa with threatened species and taxonomic problems, improved species identification is required in all data collection exercises (including both commercial landings as well as scientific surveys). For that purpose, trainings of species identification to fishers should be provided, in particular for sharks, skates and rays species, with a view to ensuring that these species are not confused and that juveniles in particular can be distinguished.
- Ensure that all designated Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and areas restricted to fisheries, at the national,

- regional (Regional Seas Conventions) and European levels (Natura 2000 network) provide adequate protection to threatened marine fishes and particularly protect critical habitats for key life cycle stages (e.g., spawning, pupping, nursery and feeding grounds).
- Fully adopt and enforce fisheries management measures for designated MPAs with the view to alleviate pressure on marine fish species and on the habitats that are necessary for their conservation.
- Expand area-based conservation measures to meet and exceed the globally agreed-upon Aichi Target 11 of 10% coverage of each marine region, by identifying and establishing Fish Stock Recovery areas, as per the Common Fisheries Policy provisions, to protect spawning grounds and concentration of juvenile fish for those commercial fish species assessed as Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened.
- Revise the list of threatened European marine fishes regularly, and whenever new data becomes available.
- Conduct basic biological research for deep-sea and Data Deficient species, especially those that are or have been commercially exploited (e.g., Orange Roughy, *Hoplostethus atlanticus*, and the wolf-fishes, *Anarhichas* spp.).

# 1. Background

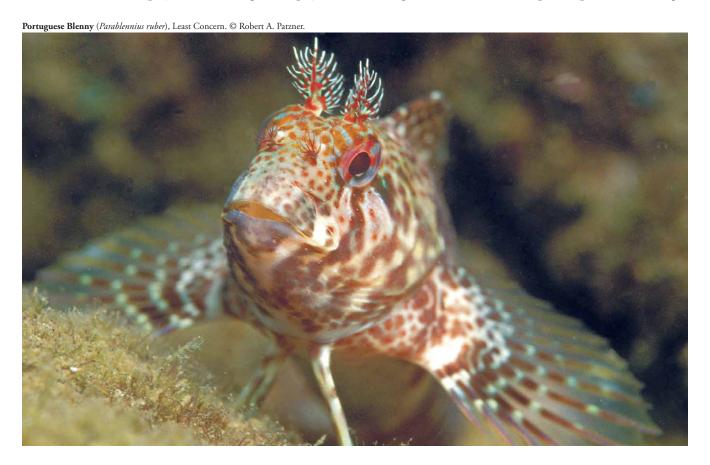
## 1.1 The European context

Europe's marine environment includes a vast expanse of the northeastern Atlantic Ocean, the brackish waters of the Baltic Sea, the warm salty waters of the Mediterranean Sea and the murky depths of the Black Sea (Figure 1).

The European marine area comprises ~ca. 18,000,000 km², almost twice that of the land area, and the coastline totals around 250,000 km. Its deepest point reaches to 6,500 metres, almost 600 nautical miles off the northwest Portuguese coast in the Atlantic Ocean. In the Mediterranean Sea, the deepest waters are found to the south of Greece, with sea bottom areas there reaching 5,200 metres of depth (Coll *et al.* 2012). In the Black Sea, the bottom reaches 2,563 metres depth, ~30 nautical miles north of the Turkish coast. In contrast, the deepest parts of the Baltic Sea, 13 nautical miles east of the Swedish coast, are 450 metres deep (General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans 2014).

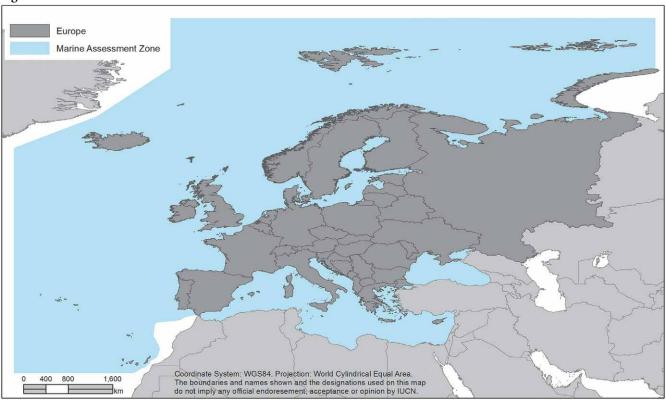
In this context, the European submarine extension – as occurs on the land – displays rather heterogeneous physical

and chemical characteristics, enabling the co-existence of a large variety of ecosystems that are inhabited by a great diversity of species. Characteristics such as substrate, salinity, etc. can change drastically. The European marine area covers warm temperate, cold temperate and arctic waters, including the largest warm temperate sea area of the world (Briggs 1974). For example, water temperature can reach almost 30°C in the Mediterranean Sea around Cyprus, and drop to below 0°C in the Atlantic, Baltic and Barents Seas close to Poland and Russia (Seatemperature 2015). The European Nature Information System (EUNIS) classifies, based on the variety of depths and substrata, almost 1,000 habitat types present in European marine areas, from littoral, infralittoral, circalittoral and sublittoral rocks and sediments to the deep-sea bed, together with the pelagic water column and ice-associated marine habitats. The European marine areas also have significant presence of transitional water habitats (river mouths, lagoons etc.) and, due to the freshwater input and low salinity, the whole or most of some European enclosed seas function as transitional waters (i.e., the Black Sea, the Baltic Sea, the Azov Sea). Taking into account that Europe's deepest areas are larger



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Figure 1. Marine assessment boundaries.



and less known than coastal ones, the numbers related to European marine biodiversity are expected to be higher.

From a geographical perspective, 17.8% of the European seabed belongs to the continental shelf, while 82.2% goes beyond 200 m deep, including abyssal plains. The European sea bottom landscape is covered by a multitude of different features, such as seamounts rising thousands of meters from the sea floor (e.g., the Gorringe Bank, Northeast Atlantic), and escarpments falling from the continental shelf to the abyssal plain (e.g., the Emile Baudot Escarpment in the western Mediterranean), and includes many other features such as ridges, canyons, mud volcanoes, pockmarks fields, hydrothermal vents, etc. - all of them accommodating a high variety of associated habitats and species. The topography of these marine features interacts with oceanographic events - ocean fronts, eddies, upwellings and other physical features that are closely related to biological hotspots and in some cases with highly productive areas.

More than 26,000 marine species and 9,000 genera have been registered by the European Census of Marine Life, excluding viruses and bacteria (Vandepitte *et al.* 2011, Narayanaswamy *et al.* 2013). Approximately half of the species belong to three main taxonomic groups, as registered by the European Node of the international Ocean Biogeographic Information System (EurOBIS)

and/or the European Register of Marine Species (ERMS) databases: Crustacea (over 7,000 species), Mollusca (nearly 4,000 species) and Plantae (2,600 species) (Vandepitte *et al.* 2011). Regarding marine fishes, 1,349 species have been registered in the ERMS database (Costello *et al.* 2006) and almost 2,000 are included in the EurOBIS database (Vandepitte *et al.* 2011).

These numbers are constantly changing because the number of marine research projects has grown exponentially throughout European waters in recent decades. Thanks to the use of modern tools and technologies for collecting data, such as Remotely Operated Vehicles (ROV), and for analysing data (e.g., Geographic Information Systems, GIS), our knowledge of European marine biodiversity is increasingly detailed although still incomplete. The obtained information is enabling scientists to discover new species and describe new habitats, as well as gaining a better understanding of ecosystem functioning, together with the effects of human influence. Nevertheless, research of the deepest environments is quite recent and there are significant gaps in knowledge that remain to be filled.

Europe's regional seas are also amongst the most productive in the world, offering a wide range of ecosystem goods and services which, in turn, support the livelihoods of over 5.4 million people across the EU and

generate a gross added value of almost 500 billion Euro per year (EC Nature and Biodiversity Newsletter 2015).

However, our marine habitats and species are under pressure and are seriously affected by numerous threats. Human activities and exploitation are changing species abundances and distributions, and the distribution and quality of notably sensitive and essential marine habitats. Both direct and indirect human activities are causing serious degradation and loss of European marine biodiversity. Because of these concerns, European legislation and several international conventions aim to reduce this loss of biodiversity and safeguard the most sensitive European marine ecosystems.

In the European Union, the Natura 2000 network designated under the EU Birds and Habitats Directives provides a cornerstone for European designation of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs). Currently, almost 4% of EU waters have been designated as part of the Natura 2000 network of MPAs (EC Nature and Biodiversity Newsletter 2015), and almost 6.4% of European waters have been designated as MPAs (both as part of the Natura 2000 network and other forms of protection). However this falls short of the global target of 10% of MPAs by 2020 as agreed on in the Aichi Biodiversity Targets (Target 11; CBD 2011).

# 1.2 European marine fishes: diversity and endemism

The wide latitudinal gradient included in the European marine assessment region encompasses a great diversity of sub-tropical, temperate, and Arctic marine fishes. The most comprehensive list of marine fishes present in the assessment region is the 1984-1986 Fishes of the Northeastern Atlantic and Mediterranean (Whitehead et al. 1984-1986), which was updated and published electronically in 1996 (Hureau et al. 1996). This checklist reported 1,256 species in 218 families, representing about 7.1% of the approximately 17,700 valid marine fishes known globally (Eschmeyer 2015).

However, not all species are originally native to European waters. In the case of the Mediterranean Sea, the Suez Canal provides an ongoing route for migration of Indo-Pacific species (Golani and Appelbaum-Golani 2010), termed "Lessepsian migrants", and the Straits of Gibraltar of Atlantic species into the Mediterranean Sea (Golani *et al.* 2002). In the Northeast Atlantic, there is ongoing northward migration of sub-tropical species due to increasing sea surface temperatures (Simpson *et al.* 2011). A checklist of the 1,220 native marine species which were assessed regionally is provided in Appendix 1.

Europe's marine fishes belong to four major taxonomic groups: the Myxini, the Petromyzontida, the Chondrichthyes and the Actinopterygii. The Myxini include the hagfishes and there are three species native to Europe. The Petromyzontida, or the lampreys, are a group of parasitic and non-parasitic freshwater and anadromous species. Although some utilize marine habitats, all 13 European representatives were assessed as part of the European Red List of Freshwater Fishes (Freyhof and Brooks 2011) and thus are not included here. Chondrichthyans, the cartilaginous fishes, include the sharks, rays and chimaeras. The 132 species of chondrichthyans native to European waters belong to



Table 1. Diversity and endemism in marine fishes in Europe.

Class	Order	Number of species	Number of endemic species (% endemic)		
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	50	5 (10%)		
	Ateleopodiformes	1	0		
	Atheriniformes	2	0		
	Aulopiformes	44	1 (2.3%)		
	Batrachoidiformes	1	0		
	Beloniformes	17	0		
	Beryciformes	10	0		
	Cetomimiformes	7	0		
	Clupeiformes	7	1 (14.3%)		
	Gadiformes	83	20 (24.1%)		
	Gasterosteiformes	1	1 (100%)		
	Gobiesociformes	11	5 (45.5%)		
	Lampriformes	8	0		
	Lophiiformes	58	6 (10.3%)		
	Mugiliformes	1	0		
	Myctophiformes	67	1 (1.5%)		
	Notacanthiformes	10	0		
	Ophidiiformes	38	5 (13.2%)		
	Osmeriformes	64	2 (3.1%)		
	Perciformes	327	78 (23.9%)		
	Pleuronectiformes	42	6 (14.3%)		
	Polymixiiformes	1	0		
	Saccopharyngiformes	6	1 (16.7%)		
	Salmoniformes	1	0		
	Scorpaeniformes	58	18 (31%)		
	Stephanoberyciformes	15	0		
	Stomiiformes	110	2 (1.8%)		
	Syngnathiformes	19	12 (63.2%)		
	Tetraodontiformes	20	0		
	Zeiformes	6	0		
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	27	2 (7.4%)		
	Chimaeriformes	9	1 (11.1%)		
	Hexanchiformes	4	0		
	Lamniformes	11	0		
	Rajiformes	50	15 (30%)		
	Squaliformes	28	1 (3.6%)		
	Squatiniformes	3	1 (33.3%)		
Myxini	Myxiniformes	3	0		
Total		1,220	184 (15.1%)		

This table includes species that are native or naturalised since before AD 1500; species introduced after this date are not included. Species of marginal occurrence in Europe are included (232 species).

32 families, and appear to be intrinsically more sensitive to population declines than many other marine fish taxa (Dulvy *et al.* 2005, 2014). The final group, the Actinopterygii or bony fishes, harbour the greatest number of species.

For the purposes of this report, endemic species are those that are known only from the European Marine Assessment Zone (Figure 1). Of the 1,220 species, 15.1% (184 species) are considered endemic to the assessment region based on known, suspected, or inferred occurrences (Table 1). This is substantially lower than the >80% of the freshwater fish diversity of Europe which is known to be endemic (Freyhof and Brooks 2011). However, fishes in marine environments typically have lower rates of endemism than fishes in freshwater environments due to the much larger habitats and higher levels of connectivity in marine systems. The low rate of endemism is also a function of how this geopolitical region was defined, as it includes the Macaronesian islands but excludes the Atlantic coasts of Morocco and Western Sahara.

# 1.3 The economic value of European marine fishes

Healthy and well-managed marine fish populations are vital to ensuring future prosperity, preserving cultural identity and improving the ecological health of European coastal communities. Historically, freshwater fisheries supported food security in Europe for over 10,000 years. The population boom during the Middle Ages (500-1500 AD) caused major declines in freshwater fish populations, and forced expansion of fishing pressure to marine waters (Hoffmann 2005). As European human populations continued to grow, demands on marine resources grew in turn and expansion in fishing fleets and harvests continued. In the 1960s and 1970s, in response to the decline in shallow water marine species, larger and more powerful vessels began to fish in deeper waters (Roberts 2002), and improved technology (more accurate navigation and fish detection equipment) enabled increased catch per unit effort (CPUE).

Maximum sustainable yield (MSY) is the theoretical largest yield (or catch) that can be taken from a species' stock into the future and is one of the primary methods for fisheries management. In 2014, 41% of the 46 European stocks for which MSY assessments are available were considered overfished, and an additional 45% of 38 stocks for which MSY assessments are not available were

considered outside of safe biological limits; the state of 47 stocks was unknown due to poor data (EC 2014). Although this is a substantial improvement from the 94% overfished (32 of 34 stocks) and 65% (26 of 40 stocks) outside safe biological limits in 2005 (EC 2014), it puts an enormous strain on the fishers, their communities and the industries indirectly associated with fishing, such as port and processing facilities and fish markets. It has been estimated that rebuilding global fisheries may only take 12 years and could result in a net gain of 600-1,400 US billion dollars over the next 50 years (Sumaila *et al.* 2012). This rebuilding has the potential to be a huge boon to the European economy and for all fishers, including the recreational fishing industry, the annual value of which has been estimated at 25 billion Euro (Dillon 2004).

Additionally, artisanal or local small-scale fishing boats that make up 75-80% of the European fishing fleet would gain from rebuilding fisheries in the region; for these fishers, fishing is an important, and sometimes the only, source of income. For example, over 99% of the artisanal fishers in the Asturias region of Spain cited fishing as their only income source (García de la Fuente et al. 2013). Culturally, many of these people come from a lineage of fishers and often work with family members; the kinship with family and community and the passing down of fishing knowledge through generations constitutes the cultural backbone of many fishing communities. Moreover, small-scale fishers develop an intimate and detailed knowledge of the areas they exploit, gaining traditional ecological knowledge that often emphasizes the time, location and scale of potential fish harvests (McGoodwin 2001). Because these fishers work close to their home port, they are invested in sustainable exploitation of their fishing grounds and maintaining the good health of local ecosystems, thus representing an important potential for informing fisheries management and policies (McGoodwin 2001). In contrast, some other EU fisheries are in crisis because they are unprofitable, overcapitalised and overfished (Abernethy et al. 2010, Vasilakopoulos et al. 2014, Smith and Garcia 2014).

All these stakeholders share the common goal of improving the ecological health of European coastal communities, which in turn will facilitate building sustainable fisheries that can be preserved through generations. Rebuilding fisheries requires improving the ecological health of the marine ecosystem by ending overfishing, and the first step involves knowing the status and extinction risk of marine fish populations.

Atlantic Cod (Gadus morhua), Least Concern. © OCEANA/Carlos Minguell.



# 1.4 Assessment of species extinction risk

The conservation status of plants, animals and fungi is one of the most widely used indicators for assessing the condition of ecosystems and their biodiversity. Conservation status assessments are intended to be policy-relevant, and can be used to inform conservation planning and priority setting processes, but they are not intended to be policy-prescriptive, and are not in themselves a system for setting biodiversity conservation priorities. At the global scale, the primary source of information on the conservation status of plants and animals is the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species<sup>TM</sup> (www.iucnredlist.org).

The *IUCN Red List Categories and Criteria* (IUCN 2012a) are designed to determine a taxon's relative risk of extinction, with the main purpose of cataloguing and highlighting those taxa that are facing a higher risk of extinction. The IUCN Red List provides taxonomic, distribution, ecological, threat and conservation status information on taxa that have been evaluated using the IUCN Categories and Criteria.

The IUCN Red List Categories (Figure 2) are based on a set of quantitative criteria linked to population trends,

size and structure, and species' geographic ranges. There are nine categories, with species classified as Vulnerable (VU), Endangered (EN) or Critically Endangered (CR) considered "threatened". When conducting regional or national assessments, the IUCN Red List Regional Guidelines (IUCN 2012b) are applied, and two additional categories are used: Regionally Extinct (RE), and Not Applicable (NA) (Figure 2). A species was assessed as Not Applicable if less than 1% of its global range was considered to occur within the European marine assessment region.

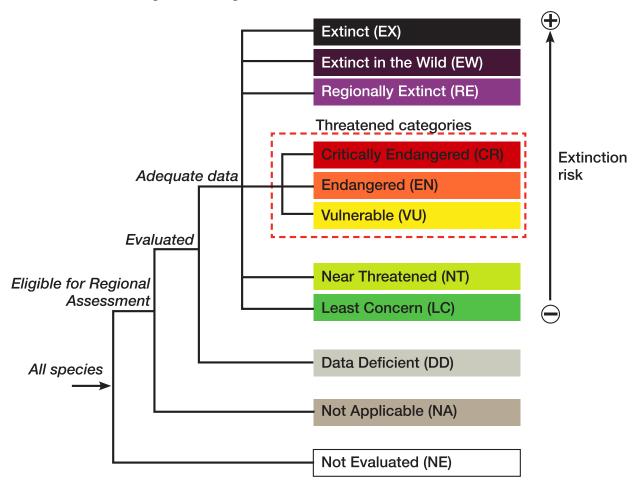
The IUCN Red List categorises species solely on the basis of indicators of extinction risk. However, previous studies have found that economically exploited marine fishes that are classified as threatened have almost certainly declined to the point where fisheries scientists would classify them as overfished, and thus these two measures are generally compatible (Dulvy et al. 2005, 2006; Davies and Baum 2012), though exceptions may occur. The majority of marine fishes that qualified for a threatened category were assessed under Criterion A, which is based on the rate of decline over the longer timeframe of three generation lengths or ten years. Generation length, defined by the Red List as the average age of the current cohort of reproducing individuals, can be calculated in

several different ways depending on the data available (IUCN 2014). For fishes with stock assessments and age class data, estimates of numbers of individuals and mortality rates in each age class were used to determine generation length. For fishes without age class data, the average age of reproducing adults was calculated as the median age between age of first reproduction and historical maximum longevity. In some cases, calculation of generation length using both methods for the same species can yield different values, resulting in an overestimation or underestimation of generation length depending on the method chosen. In these cases, decline was calculated over the range of generation length values, with the final Red List Category classification based on supporting data and information within the range of population decline under Criterion A.

It should also be noted that the IUCN assessments presented here have been done on a species-level basis. Some species have multiple, distinct stocks in European waters, and these stocks can be subject to different levels of exploitation. Accordingly, these stocks may have different statuses.

As the extinction risk of a species can be assessed at global, regional or national levels, a species may have a different Red List Category in the global Red List than in the regional Red List. For example, a species that is common worldwide and classed as Least Concern (LC) in the global Red List could face a high level of threat in a particular region and therefore be listed as threatened in the regional Red List. Logically, an endemic species should have the same category at regional and global levels, as it is not present in any other part of the world.

Figure 2. The IUCN Red List Categories at the regional scale.



Brown Comber (Serranus hepatus), Least Concern. © Robert A. Patzner.



# 1.5 Objectives of the assessment

The European regional assessment has four main objectives:

- to contribute to regional conservation planning through provision of a baseline dataset reporting the conservation status of European marine fish species;
- to identify those priority geographic areas and habitats needing to be conserved to prevent extinctions and to ensure that European marine fishes reach and maintain a favourable conservation status;
- to identify the major threats and to propose potential mitigating measures and conservation actions to address them;
- to strengthen the network of experts focused on marine fish conservation in Europe, so that the assessment information can be kept current, and expertise can be targeted to address the highest conservation priorities.

The assessment provides three main outputs:

 summary reports on the status of all 1,220 European marine fish species;

- a freely available database holding the baseline data for monitoring the status and distribution of European marine fishes;
- a website and data portal (http://ec.europa.eu/ environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist and www.iucnredlist.org/initiatives/europe) showcasing these data in the form of species factsheets for all European marine fishes included in this study, along with background and other interpretative material.

The data presented in this report provide a snapshot based on the knowledge available at the time of writing. The database will continue to be updated and made freely and widely available. IUCN will ensure wide dissemination of this information to relevant decision makers, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), scientists and practitioners to inform the implementation of conservation actions on the ground.

# 2. Assessment methodology

### 2.1 Geographic scope

The geographic scope of the European Red List assessment encompasses the Mediterranean Sea, the Black Sea, the Baltic Sea, the North Sea and/or the European part of the Atlantic Ocean (i.e., the territorial waters and the Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZs) of all European countries in the eastern part of the Atlantic Ocean, also including the EEZs of the Macaronesian islands belonging to Portugal and Spain), the North Sea and the Northeastern Atlantic Ocean, excluding the EEZs of Greenland, Morocco and Western Sahara.

## 2.2 Taxonomic scope

The European Red List of Marine Fishes has assessed the status of all primarily marine fishes, including all hagfishes, cartilaginous and bony fish species, native to Europe or naturalised there before AD 1500, with resident, breeding populations. All other fish species in this region were previously assessed in the European Red List of Freshwater Fishes (Freyhof and Brooks 2011), which included a small number of species (e.g., *Dicentrarchus labrax, Pleuronectes platessa, Petromyzon marinus*, several mugilids, etc.) that inhabit both marine and freshwaters, and hence have not been considered as part of this assessment.

The online electronic version of the *Catalogue of Fishes* (Eschmeyer 2015) was used as the taxonomic standard for this project, resulting in a total of 1,220 species. Species that are of marginal occurrence in Europe (232 species) were classed as Not Applicable (NA) (i.e. species whose population in Europe represents less than 1% of the total population). All non-native marine fishes (i.e., Lessepsian migrants to the Mediterranean from the Red Sea and known Atlantic vagrant species in the Mediterranean Sea) were excluded from the assessment.

### 2.3 Assessment protocol

For all the marine fish species assessments, the following data were compiled:

- Taxonomic classification
- Geographic range and list of countries of occurrence (including a distribution map)

- Population information and overall population trends
- Habitat preferences and primary ecological requirements, including pertinent biological information (e.g., size and age at maturity, generation length, maximum size and age, etc.)
- Major threats
- Conservation measures (in place, and needed)
- Species utilisation
- Other general information
- IUCN Red List Category and Criteria and rationale
- Key literature references

The task of collecting the initial data was divided taxonomically. Experts and IUCN Global Marine Unit researchers collected information on each species based on published and unpublished data and their personal expert knowledge and opinion. The IUCN Species Information Service (SIS) was used to enter and store all species data.

Three workshops were held throughout the three-year duration of the project to review and discuss a selection of species assessments and distribution maps, add new information to the assessments, and agree on the final IUCN Red List Category and Criteria for the species. The first workshop was held in Málaga, Spain in October 2013 and was attended by 21 experts. The second workshop was held in Brussels, Belgium in March 2014 and was attended by 16 experts. These two workshops focused on assessing bony fishes. The last workshop focused on chondrichthyan species and was held in Plymouth, UK in May 2014; 14 experts participated. The remaining species were reviewed and discussed by email correspondence with relevant experts.

Following the workshops, the data were edited, and outstanding questions were resolved through communications with the experts. Consistency in the use of IUCN Criteria was checked by IUCN staff. The resulting finalised IUCN Red List assessments are a product of scientific consensus concerning species status and are supported by relevant literature and data sources.

Expert participants at a Marine Fish Red List assessment workshop, October 2013, Málaga, Spain. © Mia T. Comeros-Raynal.



# 2.4 Species mapping

Generalized distribution maps were created for each species in ArcGIS 10.1 from occurrence records, as well as inferred and suspected presence based on species-specific habitat and depth preferences. Areas where the presence of the species was uncertain or where the species had disappeared (i.e., is now extinct) were not mapped.

For shallow-water coastal fishes, the distribution maps were standardized using a basemap of a maximum depth of 200 m with a 100 km buffer zone extending from the coastline (Comeros-Raynal *et al.* 2012). Although this method overestimates the geographical range of species with very shallow depth distributions, it provides a consistent representation of the distribution for most coastal species. However, it does not accurately reflect the distributions of more oceanic species; thus, species with known oceanic tendencies (e.g., pelagic species such as Atlantic Bluefin Tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) or deep sea species such as Orange Roughy (*Hoplostethus atlanticus*))

were digitized by hand, including known and inferred occurrences. Each map was reviewed by taxonomic experts and edited to reflect the best available information on the species' ranges.

Spatial analyses were conducted on all marine fishes native to Europe or naturalised there prior to AD 1500 with resident, breeding populations. Therefore, nonnative species and those with only marginal occurrence in European waters were excluded (i.e., Not Applicable (NA) species). The distribution polygon for each of these native, resident species was transformed into the World Cylindrical Equal Area Projected Coordinate system and converted into a 10 km by 10 km raster grid. A cell was considered occupied if the species' distribution polygon overlapped the grid cell and was assigned a value of 1, while all unoccupied cells were assigned "No Value". For all characteristics of interest, the number of species in each grid cell was calculated by summing the number of occupied cells. Richness grids were calculated for all marine fishes (excluding NA species), threatened, endemic and Data Deficient species (see Section 3.4).

# 3. Results

#### 3.1 Threat status

The conservation status and extinction risk of marine fishes was assessed at the European level.

7.5% of these species (excluding those assessed as Not Applicable) are considered threatened (i.e., assessed as having an elevated risk of extinction) in Europe. However, the proportion of threatened marine fish species is uncertain given the high number of Data Deficient (DD) species, and could lie between 6% (if all DD species are not threatened) and 26.6% (if all DD species are threatened) for Europe (IUCN 2011b, Table 2). Thus, the mid-point figures provide the best estimation of the proportion of threatened species (IUCN 2011b).

Table 2. Proportion of threatened marine fishes in Europe.

	% threat
Lower bound (CR+EN+VU) / (assessed – EX)	6.0%
Mid-point (CR+EN+VU) / (assessed – EX – DD)	7.5%
Upper bound (CR+EN+VU+DD) / (assessed – EX)	26.6%

Table 3. Summary of numbers of marine fish species within each category of threat.

IUCN Red List Categories	Number of species (number of endemics)			
Extinct (EX)	0			
Extinct in the Wild (EW)	0			
Regionally Extinct (RE)	0			
Critically Endangered (CR)	15 (2)			
Endangered (EN)	22 (4)			
Vulnerable (VU)	22 (2)			
Near Threatened (NT)	26 (3)			
Least Concern (LC)	699 (120)			
Data Deficient (DD)	204 (53)			
Total number of species assessed*	988 (184)			

<sup>\*</sup>This table does not include the Not Applicable species in Europe (232 species) (species introduced after AD 1500 or species of marginal occurrence).

In Europe, 15 species (1.5%) are Critically Endangered, 22 species (2.2%) are Endangered, and 22 species (2.2%) are Vulnerable. A further 2.6% (26 species) are classified as Near Threatened. For a fifth of the species in Europe (204 species, 20.6%) (Table 3, Figure 3), there were insufficient data to evaluate their risk of extinction and so they were classified as Data Deficient. As more data become available, it is possible that some of these species may also prove to be threatened.

By comparison, 59% of freshwater molluscs, 40% of freshwater fishes, 23% of amphibians, 20% of reptiles, 17% of mammals, 16% of dragonflies, 13% of birds, 9% of butterflies and bees, 8% of aquatic plants and 2% of medicinal plants are threatened, groups that were comprehensively assessed for the European region (IUCN 2011a, BirdLife International 2015, Nieto *et al.* 2014, Allen *et al.* 2014). Additional European Red Lists assessing a selection of species showed that 22% of terrestrial molluscs, 16% of crop wild relatives and 15% of saproxylic beetles are also threatened (IUCN 2011a). No other groups have yet been assessed at the European level.

Marine fish species classed as threatened (Critically Endangered, Endangered, or Vulnerable) at the European level are listed in Table 4.

Figure 3. IUCN Red List status of marine fishes in Europe.

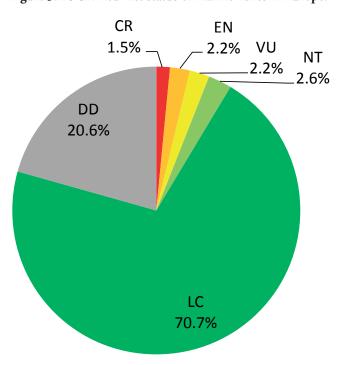


Table 4. Threatened marine fish species at the European level.

Class	Order	Family	Species	European Red List status	Endemic to Europe?
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Lamnidae	Carcharodon carcharias	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Lamnidae	Lamna nasus	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Odontaspididae	Carcharias taurus	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Odontaspididae	Odontaspis ferox	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Gymnuridae	Gymnura altavela	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Myliobatidae	Pteromylaeus bovinus	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Pristidae	Pristis pectinata	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Pristidae	Pristis pristis	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Dipturus batis	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja melitensis	CR	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rostroraja alba	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus granulosus	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Squatiniformes	Squatinidae	Squatina aculeata	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Squatiniformes	Squatinidae	Squatina oculata	CR	No
Chondrichthyes	Squatiniformes	Squatinidae	Squatina squatina	CR	Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides rupestris	EN	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Anarhichadidae	Anarhichas denticulatus	EN	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Epinephelus marginatus	EN	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus tortonesei	EN	Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Sebastes mentella	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus longimanus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus plumbeus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Alopiidae	Alopias superciliosus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Alopiidae	Alopias vulpinus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Cetorhinidae	Cetorhinus maximus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Mobulidae	Mobula mobular	EN	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja circularis	EN	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja radula	EN	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rhinobatidae	Glaucostegus cemiculus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rhinobatidae	Rhinobatos rhinobatos	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus lusitanicus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus squamosus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Deania calcea	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Dalatiidae	Dalatias licha	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Echinorhinidae	Echinorhinus brucus	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Centroscymnus coelolepis	EN	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Squalidae	Squalus acanthias	EN	No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Trachichthyidae	Hoplostethus atlanticus	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Molva dypterygia	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Mycteroperca fusca	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Bodianus scrofa	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Labrus viridis	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sciaenidae	Umbrina cirrosa	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Orcynopsis unicolor	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Dentex dentex	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Hippoglossus hippoglossus	VU	No

Class	Order	Family	Species	European Red List status	Endemic to Europe?
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Scophthalmus maximus	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Salmoniformes	Salmonidae	Salmo salar	VU	No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Sebastes norvegicus	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Galeorhinus galeus	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Mustelus mustelus	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Mustelus punctulatus	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Dasyatis centroura	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Dasyatis pastinaca	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Myliobatidae	Myliobatis aquila	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja fullonica	VU	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja maderensis	VU	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus uyato	VU	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Oxynotidae	Oxynotus centrina	VU	No

### 3.2 Status by taxonomic group

European marine fishes assessed as part of the European Red List of Marine Fishes belong to three classes divided into 38 orders, as described in section 1.2. Table 5 presents the status of these species by class and order.

Overall, the Chondrichthyes is the class showing the highest percentage of threatened species (40.4%), compared to the Actinopterygii, with 2.5% threatened, and the Myxini, where all three species are considered Least Concern (LC). In general, high rates of intrinsic extinction risk in marine species are related to large-bodied, slow maturing species (Reynolds *et al.* 2005). As a group, Chondrichthyes are inherently more sensitive to threats than other marine fishes due to their extreme life histories, low population growth rates and weak density-dependent compensation in juvenile survival (e.g., Dulvy and Forrest 2010, Dulvy *et al.* 2014).

It is worth noting that all 15 of the Critically Endangered marine fishes and 15 of the 22 Endangered species are chondrichthyans (Table 5). Within the Chondrichthyes, all the Squatiniformes are threatened with extinction and the Lamniformes, Squaliformes, and Rajiformes also show a high proportion of threatened species (87.5%, 55.6% and 36.2%, respectively). The Carcharhiniformes and the Squaliformes include many Data Deficient (DD) species (10 and 9, respectively).

The Actinopterygii, the class with the highest number of species, includes the Salmoniformes and the Beryciformes species, showing the higest percentage of threat (100% - as *Salmo salar* is assessed

as Vulnerable, and 16.7%, respectively). The other threatened species are included in the following orders: Pleuronectiformes (6.1%), Scorpaeniformes (5.7%), Perciformes (3.4%) and Gadiformes (3.2%).

The Actinopterygii includes a large percentage of LC species (75.9%), especially in the Perciformes order. Likewise, this class also includes a great proportion of DD species (20.7%). All the Cetomimiformes are assessed as DD, and the Zeiformes and Saccopharyngiformes present a high proportion of DD species (80% and 60%, respectively). Species in these orders are typically found in the deep-sea, where limited surveys and research have resulted in major data gaps. It is worth highlighting that approximately half of the Tetraodontiformes, Syngnathiformes and Ophidiiformes are also classed as DD, often due to a small number of known specimens and taxonomic uncertainty.

Symphodus rostratus, Least Concern. © Robert A. Patzner.



Table 5. IUCN Red List status (at the European level) of marine fishes by class and order.

Class	Order	Total	CR	EN	VU	NT	LC	DD	% threatened*
Actinopterygii		854	0	5	12	12	648	177	2.5 (2 - 22.7)
	Anguilliformes	45	0	0	0	0	31	14	0 (0 - 31.3)
	Ateleopodiformes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Atheriniformes	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
	Aulopiformes	27	0	0	0	0	24	3	0 (0 -11.1)
	Batrachoidiformes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Beloniformes	14	0	0	0	0	14	0	0
	Beryciformes	6	0	0	1	2	3	0	16.7 (16.7 - 16.7)
	Cetomimiformes	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0 (0 - 100)
	Clupeiformes	7	0	0	0	1	5	1	0 (0 - 14.3)
	Gadiformes	76	0	1	1	1	59	14	3.2 (2.6 - 21.1)
	Gasterosteiformes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Gobiesociformes	11	0	0	0	0	9	2	0 (0 - 18.2)
	Lampriformes	6	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
	Lophiiformes	26	0	0	0	0	15	11	0 (0 - 42.3)
	Mugiliformes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Myctophiformes	29	0	0	0	0	29	0	0
	Notacanthiformes	8	0	0	0	0	8	0	0
	Ophidiiformes	28	0	0	0	0	14	14	0 (0 - 50)
	Perciformes	297	0	3	6	6	247	35	3.4 (3 - 14.8)
	Pleuronectiformes	41	0	0	2	1	30	8	6.1 (4.9 - 24.4)
	Polymixiiformes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Saccopharyngiformes	5	0	0	0	0	2	3	0
	Salmoniformes	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	100
	Scorpaeniformes	56	0	1	1	1	32	21	5.7 (3.6 - 41.1)
	Stephanoberyciformes	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
	Stomiiformes	62	0	0	0	0	57	5	0 (0 - 8.1)
	Syngnathiformes	17	0	0	0	0	8	9	0 (0 - 52.9)
	Tetraodontiformes	15	0	0	0	0	7	8	0 (0 - 53.3)
	Zeiformes	5	0	0	0	0	1	4	0 (0 - 80)
Chondrichthyes		131	15	17	10	14	48	27	40.4 (32.1 - 52.7)
·	Carcharhiniformes	27	0	2	3	4	8	10	29.4 (18.5 - 55.6)
	Chimaeriformes	9	0	0	0	1	8	0	0
	Hexanchiformes	4	0	0	0	0	2	2	0(0-50)
	Lamniformes	11	4	3	0	0	1	3	87.5 (63.6 - 90)
	Rajiformes	50	7	5	5	7	23	3	36.2 (34 - 40)
	Squaliformes	27	1	7	2	2	6	9	55.6 (37 - 70.4)
	Squatiniformes	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	100
Myxini	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
,	Myxiniformes	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Total	<u> </u>	988	15	22	22	26	699	204	7.5 (6 - 26.6)

This table does not include species classed as Not Applicable (NA).

<sup>\*</sup>The percentage of threatened species provides the mid point figure, as the best estimation of extinction risk; the lower and upper bounds are provided in brackets.

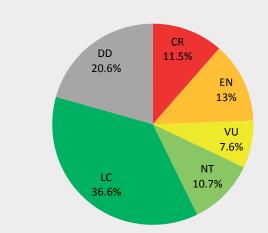
# The status of Chondrichthyes in Europe

Nearly a decade has elapsed since the status of sharks, rays and chimaeras (chondrichthyans) was first assessed in European waters, and hence this new assessment provides an almost unique opportunity to measure conservation and management progress in Europe. A number of commercially important target and bycatch species occur within the European marine waters. Europe also includes some of the largest and most important fishing nations worldwide that are exploiting chondrichthyans, particularily Spain, France, the UK, and Portugal (Davidson *et al.* 2015).

There are 132 chondrichthyan species present in Europe. Overall, the best estimate is that 40.4% of these species are threatened, facing an elevated risk of extinction, according to the European Red List of Marine Fishes. However, the proportion of threatened chondrichtyans is uncertain as 27 species (20.6%) were assessed as Data Deficient (DD). Depending on the status of the DD species, the true percentage of threatened species could lie between 32.1% (if all DD species are not threatened) and 52.7% (if all DD species are threatened) (IUCN 2011b). Thus, the mid-point figure of 40.4% provides the best estimation of the proportion of threatened species (IUCN 2011b).

In Europe, 11.5% (15 species) of chondrichthyan species are Critically Endangered, 13% (17 species) are Endangered, and 7.6% (10 species) are Vulnerable (Figure 4). A further 10.7% (14 species) are considered Near Threatened. Furthermore, 39.7% (52 species) of chondrichthyan species have a declining population trend, 22.9% (30 species) are stable, 2.3% (3 species) are increasing, and the trends for 46 species (35.1%) are unknown (Figure 5).

Figure 4. IUCN Red List status of chondrichthyan species in Europe.



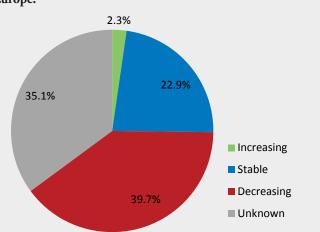
Angelshark (Squatina squatina), Critically Endangered. © Tony Gilbert.



In the 2008 Northeast Atlantic assessment, the best estimate indicated that 35.3% of the species were threatened (30 out of 116 species; Gibson *et al.* 2008), and in the 2007 Mediterranean assessment, 56.6% of the species were threatened (30 out of 71 species; Cavanagh and Gibson 2007). This European assessment reveals that the percentage of threatened chondrichthyan species in the region remains very high. This increased extinction risk is driven primarily by high levels of unregulated overfishing in the Mediterranean Sea.

It is important to note the hard won progress made by the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean in developing stock assessments and scientific capacity; moreover, Croatia and Israel have provided considerable conservation leadership. Notwithstanding these promising steps, there has been little effective fisheries management progress for chondrichthyans, and other exploited fishes, in the Mediterranean Sea (Vasilakopoulos *et al.* 2014, Smith and Garcia 2014). The status of Mediterranean chondrichthyans has worsened in the past decade.

Figure 5. Population trends of chondrichthyan species in Europe.



Thornback Skate (Raja clavata), Near Threatened. © Peter Verhoog/Dutch Shark Society.



Several species are, at least in some areas, now close to regional or global extinction and there are many other "lost sharks and rays" that have not been sighted in decades. Of greatest concern is the status of all three angel sharks (*Squatina* spp.). In particular, the Critically Endangered Angelshark (*Squatina* squatina) was formerly found throughout European waters, and now it is inferred that almost all of the remaining population is found around the Canary Islands.

Nevertheless, the solution is at hand - effective fisheries management of chondrichthyans is possible. There is significant contrast between the near-absence of effective management in the waters of Italy in the western Adriatic Sea compared to the adjacent waters in the eastern Adriatic Sea. The waters of the western Adriatic Sea are more intensively fished resulting in low chondrichthyan abundance and diversity. By stark contrast, the eastern Adriatic countries have stricter protection and management and hence have greater biomass and diversity of chondrichthyans (Soldo 2012, Ferretti et al. 2013).

In northern European waters, vastly improved fisheries assessment, regulation and enforcement has been seen over the past decades (Clarke 2009). For example, preventing landings (by setting a zero Total Allowable Catch) has been implemented since 2011 for Spurdog (*Squalus acanthias*, EN) and since 2010 for three deepwater sharks, including Kitefin Shark (*Dalatias licha*, EN), *Portuguese Dogfish (Centroscymnus coelolepis*, EN), and Leafscale Gulper Shark (*Centrophorus squamosus*, EN).

In this assessment, two additional issues have emerged. First, one of the most exploited sharks in European waters, and the world, is the Blue Shark (*Prionace glauca*), which is often taken as a bycatch in pelagic fisheries targeting tuna and billfish (Davidson *et al.* 2015). This species is also a major component of the global trade in shark fins and meat, and Spain is by far the world's biggest exporter of shark fins and meat (Davidson *et al.* 2015). Despite the rising catch, demand and trade, there has been little progress on management of this species, which is assessed as Near Threatened in the European Red List.

Second, there has been an unregulated rapid rise in reported landings of catches of smaller sharks, particularly smoothhounds (*Mustelus* spp.). A key challenge is that there are three species of smoothhound in European waters, and recent revision to their taxonomy means that a detailed assessment is needed of where specific species are caught, and in what numbers.

Blue Shark (Prionace glauca), Near Threatened. © Nuno Vasco Rodrigues.



# The Atlantic Salmon (Salmo salar) in Europe

The Atlantic Salmon (Salmo salar) is an iconic species in both historical and contemporary culture, and is widely depicted in art, literature, jewellery and architecture. The species is a focus for social activities (e.g., fishing clubs), and often the driver of general river basin restoration activities. Salmon runs draw visitors throughout Europe to well-known waterfalls where people have congregated to watch them leaping since the middle ages. Salmon are central to many cultures and have been fished in Europe for at least 40,000 years (Consuegra et al. 2002, Turrero et al. 2014). The species is important for food and sport fishing throughout its European range, where it is highly valued. It has been estimated that the cultural value of the species may exceed the value of commercial landings in northern Europe (Kulmala et al. 2013).

Atlantic Salmon is an anadromous fish, meaning they hatch in freshwater, migrate to the sea, and then return to rivers, where they spawn, although some populations complete their entire life cycle in freshwater. This fish is widely distributed through much of Europe's marine and freshwater habitats, from Severny Island in northern Russia south to the Iberian Peninsula. The main foraging

areas of salmon of European origin are along the west coast of southern Greenland and north of the Faroe Islands.

The Atlantic Salmon has undergone historical declines and localised extinctions within its European range. It has been lost from a number of countries, including: Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany (now reintroduced), Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, and Switzerland. Populations from the Duero and Tagus Rivers in the Iberian Peninsula (based on historical records) have been lost, and populations have been lost or threatened from numerous rivers in Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Ireland, France, United Kingdom (England, Wales and Scotland), and Russia (NASCO 2013). The fish was thought to be extinct in Belarus since the mid-20th Century as a result of dams built on the western Dvina and Neman rivers, however very small numbers of the fish have been found to migrate upstream in the Neris/Vilia rivers to the upper part of the Neman River basin to spawn in the Vilia River tributaries (Polutskaya 2005).

Primary causes of decline have been over-fishing (both at sea and in rivers), water pollution and sedimentation (especially in spawning habitats), and damming.





Overfishing at sea, in particular with drift nets, is a major threat to the species, although fisheries controls have been implemented throughout Europe. The species is also impacted as bycatch in the mackerel fishery in areas such as the north Norwegian Sea. Many populations have traditionally been stocked, especially in western and central Europe, but results have often been disappointing (Young et al. 2014) and stocking is beginning to be phased out (for example in Wales, BBC 2015). In recent years, fishery pressure on wild stocks has decreased but other problems have increased; the natural mortality of juvenile salmon in the marine phase has increased, salmon prey species have been depleted by commercial fisheries, and extensive salmon farming has affected wild populations through hybridisation between escaped farm and wild salmon, and the introduction of diseases and parasites. Sea Lice (Lepeophtheirus salmonis) occur in large numbers on farmed salmon and seriously infect wild salmon as they migrate past salmon farms in estuaries. WWF (2001) reported that diseases and parasites transferred from caged salmon to wild salmon are a severe hazard to juveniles in countries where salmon farming is common.

The direct and indirect impacts of climate change on the species and its habitats are not well understood and require further research. Impacts on the salmon's marine habitat could lead to temporal and spatial shifts in both salmon prey and predators, and changes to the timing of migration represent an important potential new threat to the fish.

Salmon catches at sea have undergone a continuing decline since 1987, with reported catches declining from more than 8,000 tonnes (fresh weight) in 1987 to less than 2,000 tonnes by 2012. The above well-documented threats have led to an inferred population decline in wild self-sustaining populations of more than 30% over the last three generation lengths (c. 18 years). As a result, Atlantic Salmon was assessed as Vulnerable (VU A2ace) based on levels of exploitation, declining habitat quality, reduced extent of occurrence, and the impacts of pollution, climate change, and introduced taxa.

It is important to note however that there are clear differences in the status of individual stocks (sub-populations from individual river basins), where some are in serious decline or extinct, whilst others are doing much better, either not yet impacted or benefitting from successful river basin-wide conservation interventions.

The IUCN SSC Salmon Specialist Group has recommended that each stock be assessed independently in order to better reflect this intraspecific variation, and to inform river basin population management and restoration actions.

### 3.3 Spatial distribution of species

### 3.3.1. Species richness

The geographic distribution of marine fish species richness in Europe is shown in Figure 6 and is based on all 988 native marine fish species, excluding those with a marginal occurrence in Europe (i.e., the NA species).

The coast of Portugal and the Macaronesian islands in the Northeast Atlantic, and the western Mediterranean Sea, clearly stand out as areas of high species richness. The waters west of France and the British Isles, southern Iceland and the eastern Mediterranean also exhibit great diversity. There is a general tendency in marine fishes for biodiversity to decrease from the tropics to the poles (Tittensor *et al.* 2010).

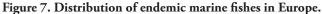
#### 3.3.2. Endemic species richness

In Figure 7, the richness of endemic marine fish species in Europe is shown based on the 184 endemic species present. Marine fishes show high levels of endemism in the Mediterranean Sea, in particular along the European coast, including the Balearic, Ligurian, Tyrrhenian, Adriatic and Aegean Seas.

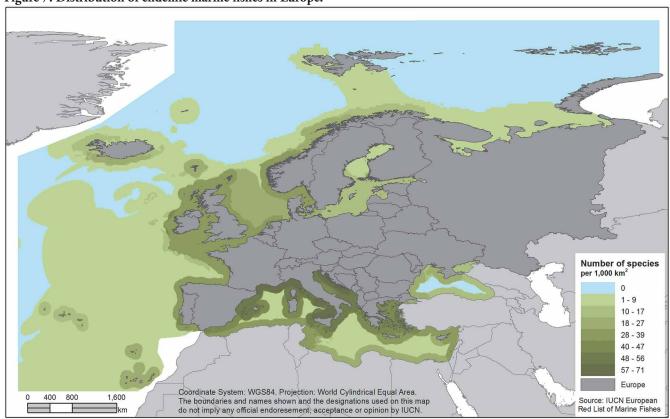
The Mediterranean is known as a hotspot for endemism; approximately 14%, 74 out of the 519 species present in the Mediterreanean Sea, are considered to be endemic (Abdul Malak *et al.* 2011). This high level of endemism is likely a result of the relative isolation of the Mediterranean basin. Other areas in the Northeast Atlantic, including from the North Sea, around the British Isles, and south to the Iberian Peninsula, also harbour an important concentration of endemic species.

Number of species per 1,000 km<sup>2</sup> 1 - 68 69 - 139 140 - 203 204 - 276 277 - 354 355 - 455 456 - 594 Europe Coordinate System: WGS84. Projection: World Cylindrical Equal Area. The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this m do not imply any official endoresement; acceptance or opinion by IUCN.

Figure 6. Species richness of European marine fishes.



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### 3.3.3. Distribution of threatened species

In Figure 8, the richness pattern of threatened marine fish species in Europe, which considered 59 threatened species, is illustrated showing the greatest concentration

in the Iberian Peninsula, the Mediterranean Sea and the Canary Islands. In the Northeast Atlantic the waters around Iceland, the British Isles and Norway as well as the Azores also emerge as hotspots of threatened marine fishes.

Source: IUCN European Red List of Marine Fisher

Number of species per 1,000 km²

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Figure 8. Distribution of threatened marine fishes in Europe.

# 3.3.4. Distribution of Data Deficient species

In Figure 9, the richness of Data Deficient (DD) species is presented based on the total number of DD species (204 species) present.

The highest number of DD species is found around the Macaronesian islands, particularly the Madeiran and Canary archipelagos. Fishing and climate change are important potential threats in these areas, but they are relatively poorly studied and quantitative data on

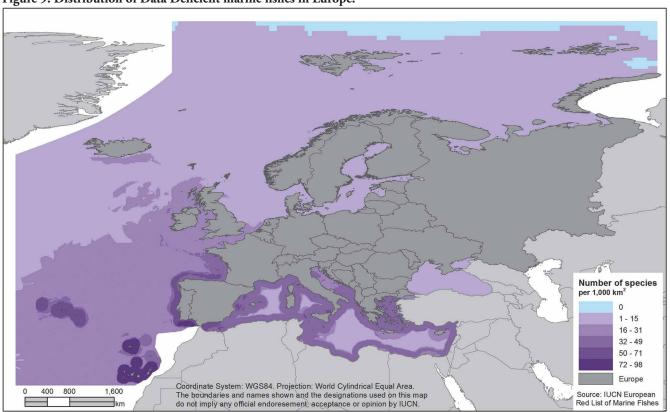


Figure 9. Distribution of Data Deficient marine fishes in Europe.

population level impacts are lacking. Other areas with high numbers of DD species include the Iberian and Mediterranean coasts. This may be at least partially caused by high fishing pressure combined with limited quantitative data making accurate assignments of extinction risk difficult, thus resulting in a higher proportion of DD species.

# 3.4 Major threats to marine fishes in Europe

With 20.6% of the European marine fishes listed as Data Deficient (DD), a complete overview of the threats is not possible. However, conservation and management of marine fishes must move forward in spite of the substantial data gaps, particularly in relation to taxonomic uncertainty and lack of quantitative species-specific population trends.

According to the European Red List, 177 species had no threats identified; for another 288 species, threats remain unknown. All of the species recorded as having unknown or no threats are assessed as Least Concern (LC) or Data Deficient (DD). Threats identified for the remaining species (523) are presented below, and a summary of the relative importance of the different threatening processes is shown in Figure 10.

#### Fishing and harvesting

The greatest threat to marine species globally is exploitation (Roberts and Hawkins 1999, Dulvy *et al.* 2009, Harnik *et al.* 2012). This includes direct commercial exploitation; small-scale artisanal or subsistence fisheries; exploitation

as non-target catch or bycatch; and indirect effects of exploitation on habitats (Figure 10).

According to the European Red List, 425 species are impacted by fishing activities, 58 of which are threatened. Many species are the direct target of commercial fisheries and/or small scale artisanal fisheries. Overexploitation in European waters has been curbed in recent years, as evidenced by a substantial improvement in the number of stocks fished at maximum sustainable yield (MSY), from two stocks in 2005 to 27 stocks in 2014 (EC 2014). However, it still remains a major problem for many marine fishes: for example, Atlantic Bluefin Tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*), assessed regionally as Near Threatened, and Atlantic Halibut (*Hippoglossus hippoglossus*), assessed regionally as Vulnerable, are both the direct targets of large-scale, directed fisheries.

In addition to targeted fisheries exploitation, non-target catch or bycatch can substantially impact marine fishes. This is a much harder issue to tackle, both in terms of assigning a Red List Category and in terms of managing the impacts. Non-target catch is often not recorded to the species level and species-specific estimates of discard rates and mortality are rarely available. For example, the Blue Shark (*Prionace glauca*), assessed regionally as Near Threatened, is mostly taken as bycatch in pelagic fisheries (Davidson *et al.* 2015).

Whilst fishing and harvesting are the main threats affecting European marine fishes, a variety of other anthropogenic and environmental stressors may also exacerbate threats,

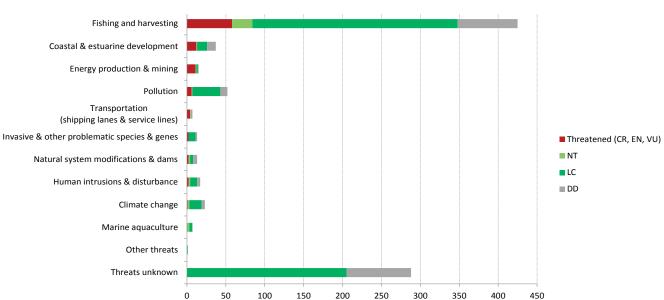


Figure 10. Major threats to marine fishes in Europe.

Number of species

but the severity of such threats will depend on the degree of spatial and temporal overlap with the distribution of critically important fish habitats.

#### Coastal and estuarine development

In total, 37 species are directly affected by coastal and estuarine development, however 12 of these are considered threatened by the European Red List (20% of threatened marine fish species). Additionally, human intrusion and disturbance (work and recreational activities) impact 17 species, two of which are threatened. Together, these form the second most common threat, affecting 22% of threatened marine fishes in Europe. Coastal development has continued apace in the late 20th and early 21st centuries, with the expansion of cities, ports, tourist resorts and associated recreational areas. Global trade in goods grew 6.9% on average yearly between 1997 and 2006 and sea ports in northern Europe enacted major extension projects to accommodate the expansion (e.g., EUROMAX-Terminal in Rotterdam expanded in area by 1,000 ha) (EEA 2006). Mass tourism in coastal regions has increased both the size of the local population and number of hotels (e.g., Málaga; Costa del Sol, Spain, saw an increase in the number of hotels from 150 to 300 between 1983 and 2000 and a rise in population of 71.6% from 1950-2000) (Segreto et al. 2009). One estimate predicts that by 2020, 350 million tourists will visit the Mediterranean coastal region alone (Davenport and Davenport 2006).

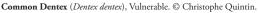
In addition, in low lying coastal areas where flood risk from tidal surges is a potential threat to human life and livelihood, the strengthening of sea walls, and the creation of new defences (such as in the Dutch Delta area) have impacted coastal habitats, especially saltmarshes. Works aimed at stabilising the existing coastline also cause considerable losses of saltmarsh habitats (Cooper *et al.* 2001) with direct impact on specialised marine fishes.

#### Energy production and mining

The effects of mining and quarrying, oil and gas drilling impact a total of 15 species, of which 11 are threatened (19% of all threatened marine fish species). For certain species, such as Reinhardtius hippoglossoides, the depth of occurrence of oil exploitation overlaps with the habitats that the species inhabit. In the past, when species such as Limanda limanda were exposed to diesel-drilling mud (which was common around drilling platforms in the North Sea), this exposure triggered inhibitory and stimulatory immune responses (Tahir et al. 1993). In addition, drilling can have additional effects, ranging from attracting larger fish to the platforms, to the release of muds on the surrounding spoil grounds, impacting demersal species and especially those with vulnerable life history stages. Excessive noise production may also affect sensitive species (Chapman and Sand 1974). Mining could impact species such as Raja microocellata (e.g., in the Bristol Channel) and other demersal species, by impacting their spawning, nursery and feeding grounds in areas where aggregate extraction occurs.

#### **Pollution**

Pollution, in the form of sewage, run off, oil spills (e.g., the Prestige oil spill in 2002), nutrient loads, sedimentation, herbicides, pesticides, and noise pollution, affects 52





species, five of which are threatened (10% of the threatened species). Rapid urban and industrial development, major causes of pollution, have degraded critical coastal habitats, such as fish nursery and spawning areas (Camhi *et al.* 1998, Stevens *et al.* 2005, UNEP/MAP/RAC/SPA 2003).

Pollution adds to the contamination of food sources, bioaccumulating in animals at the top of the food chain and potentially affecting their health and reproductive success (UNEP/MAP/ RAC/SPA 2003). Some Mediterranean cartilaginous fishes contain mercury concentrations that exceed levels considered safe for human consumption (e.g., Storelli *et al.* 2002), as well as trace metals and organochlorine residues in their eggs, muscles, livers and kidneys (UNEP/MAP/RAC/SPA 2002).

### Transportation (shipping lanes and service lines)

Seven species are affected by shipping lanes and service lines, with four being threatened. Shipping affects the marine environment through operational, bilge and ballast water discharges from cruise ships, large tankers and bulk cargo carriers, which can lead to the introduction of non-indigenous organisms. Water pollution can also occur through the release of toxic chemicals used in antifouling paints and leaching of heavy metals, and oil and toxic substances from discharges (OSPAR Commission 2009). Additionally, shipping emissions have been found to contribute to the acidification of the oceans (Hassellöv *et al.* 2013). Ship strikes may also potentially affect *Carcharodon carcharias* and other surface swimming species such as *Mobula mobular* and *Cetorhinus maximus*.

#### Invasive and problematic species and genes

Globally, marine invasive species are a major threat to biodiversity, with high levels of invasive species documented in North America, Australia, and Europe (Molnar *et al.* 2008). These species can cause enormous economic and ecological impacts, including direct predation upon and competition with native species. For example, two Lessepsian migrants (*Siganus rivulatus* and *S. luridus*) have been implicated in the decline of the native sparid *Sarpa salpa* in Lebanon through competition (Kalogirou *et al.* 2012). In European waters, invasive species are impacting 13 species, two of which are threatened (3% of threatened species).

## Dams and other natural system modifications

Natural system modifications, including the construction of dams, are affecting 13 species, two of which are threatened (3% of threatened species). There

Karanteen (Sarpa salpa), Least Concern. © Robert A. Patzner.



are few rivers in Europe that have not been impacted by dams for hydropower or irrigation purposes (Freyhof and Brooks 2011), and tidal barrages in estuaries, to aid navigation and/or to generate energy, have become more frequent. In most cases, dams block the migration routes of fishes, thereby increasing the pressures on species that rely on movement between freshwater and marine environments. Dams can also cause significant direct mortality as individuals are passing through hydraulic turbines or over spillways (Larinier 2001). Other natural system modifications, including land reclamation projects, construction of riprap along shorelines, and beach construction are also impacting some species.

### Climate change

Impacts of climate change are being seen in a number of marine fish assemblages. For example, the North Sea has seen distribution shifts in marine fishes towards deeper waters (Dulvy et al. 2008) and towards more northerly latitudes (Perry et al. 2005). Climate change is expected to have major impacts on Mediterranean species, as warming temperatures force individuals northwards into cul-de-sacs, and trapping them in increasingly warming seas, such as the Adriatic Sea and Gulf of Lions (Ben Rais Lasram et al. 2010). According to the European Red List, climate change is impacting 23 species, of which one is threatened.

### Marine aquaculture

With marine fisheries' yield plateauing over the past two decades, and global demand for fish and products continuing to increase, the marine aquaculture sector has grown to meet demand (Frid and Paramor 2012). Recent estimates suggest that almost 50% of all fish biomass consumed by humans is produced by

aquaculture (FAO 2014). Among other environmental impacts, including the dependence on capture fisheries (primarily of forage fish such as menhaden and anchovy) to provide fishmeal, aquaculture facilities can negatively impact other fish species. Specifically, survival of wild populations can be reduced through the movement of diseases and parasites from farmed to wild individuals, competition with escaped farmed individuals, and hybridisation (e.g., salmonids; Ford and Myers 2008). Marine aquaculture was identified as affecting seven species, none of which are currently assessed as threatened.

### 3.5 Population trends

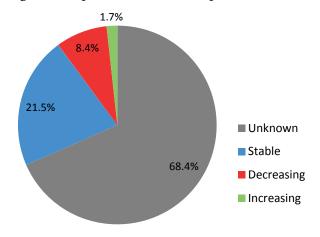
Documenting a species' population trend provides key information when assessing its Red List status. As part of this process, the species' overall populations were assessed as declining, stable, increasing or unknown.

8.4% (83 species) of Europe's marine fish species are thought to be in decline, including 88.1% of threatened species (52 species). Overall, 21.5% species are considered stable (212 species), including 3.4% of threatened species (two species), and 1.7% (17 species, including one species currently assessed as threatened) are increasing (Figure 11). However, as very little population trend data exists from the European region, 68.4% of species (676 species) have unknown population trends.

Greater Weever (Trachinus draco), Least Concern. © Robert A. Patzner.



Figure 11. Population trends of European marine fishes.



# 3.6 Gaps in knowledge

Overall the marine fish fauna of the European region is relatively well known. Europe has a long tradition of scientific enquiry, a high human population density, and a long history of commercial fisheries. Notwithstanding the relatively high scientific capacity within Europe, very serious gaps still remain in our understanding of the distribution, population size, population trajectory and biology of many marine fishes, including many commercially important species.

These knowledge gaps can be discussed in relation to each of the main topics that are considered in the individual species accounts, including taxonomy, distribution, populations, habitats and ecology, threats, conservation measures, other general information, and references to previous work.

Regarding taxonomy, the European marine fish fauna are relatively well studied by world standards, as this is the geographical area where taxonomic science originated. However there are still some species for which taxonomic questions remain. The use of modern molecular systematics tools and techniques may help to solve some of these remaining taxonomic problems. For example, further taxonomic work is required to determine the number of valid Nansenia spp., as there may be hidden synonymies within this genus. Dysommina proboscideus is another interesting example; originally described on the basis of a Leptocephalus larva, the correct generic designation of this eel is unclear and it may actually represent a complex of closely related species (Smith 1989). Taxonomic issues also affect the chondrichthyans, as highlighted by the recent discovery that the world's largest skate, the Critically Endangered Common Skate (Dipturus batis complex), is actually a complex of two species (Iglésias et al. 2010, Dulvy and Reynolds 2009).

With regard to their geographic ranges, there are many published checklists of marine fishes of different European countries, such as the HELCOM Checklist of Baltic Sea Macro-species (HELCOM 2012), although for many countries and subregions in the European marine area, recently published and accurate checklists are unfortunately not available (e.g., south Mediterranean, countries at the Black Sea, etc.) or are only available in the national languages. There are relatively few checklists available for broader areas within the European region; and for some of these the information is patchier than for others.

Many marine fish species found more commonly to the south of this region are now increasingly being found further north and in deeper waters, and therefore there has been a reduction in the areal extend of coldwater areas within the European region seas (Perry et al. 2005, Dulvy et al. 2008, Rutterford et al. 2015). This has mainly been due to the increasing water temperatures caused by climate change. For instance, some Macaronesian and Lusitanian species are reported with increasing regularity in the Bay of Biscay. A good example for this trend is the Sailfin Dory (Zenopsis conchifer) (Quéro 1998).

Likewise, it has been observed that some typically southern species are expanding their ranges within Europe, adding complexity to the assessment of their European status.

Information on population fluctuations and trends, including population declines and recoveries, is to some extent available for those species that are commonly fished within this region, in the form of commercial fisheries catch landings data. However, such catch landings figures may often reflect patterns of fisheries selectivity and may only be an indirect or biased estimate of abundance (Pauly et al. 2013). There is usually little information available in the form of fisheries-independent catch per unit effort (CPUE) data. Whilst some fisheriesindependent population information is available, such as that from scientific surveys, these data are only available to interpret the abundance trends of a comparatively small proportion of all Europe's marine fish species. Although a synoptic MEDITS survey exists for the Mediterranean Sea, these data have yet to be compiled and systematically analysed to provide regionwide population trends (e.g., Baino et al. 2001).

For those species that are not fished commercially, population size and trend information is mostly not available, making it difficult to determine population trajectories. Similarly, little information is available on small-scale artisanal fish catches in some areas (particularly in the Mediterranean), and little or no information on recreational fishing catches even where these catches may be significant (e.g., Pita and Friere 2014).

Regarding the habitat preferences and species ecology and biology, there is at least some information available for most species present in this region on their basic habitat preferences and depth ranges, and also on such basic biological parameters as their maximum sizes. Aspects of their movements and feeding and breeding biology are also known sometimes. For many species it is unclear how the various habitat types in which they are found may contribute at their different life-history stages, and how loss or degradation of these habitats would translate into population declines.

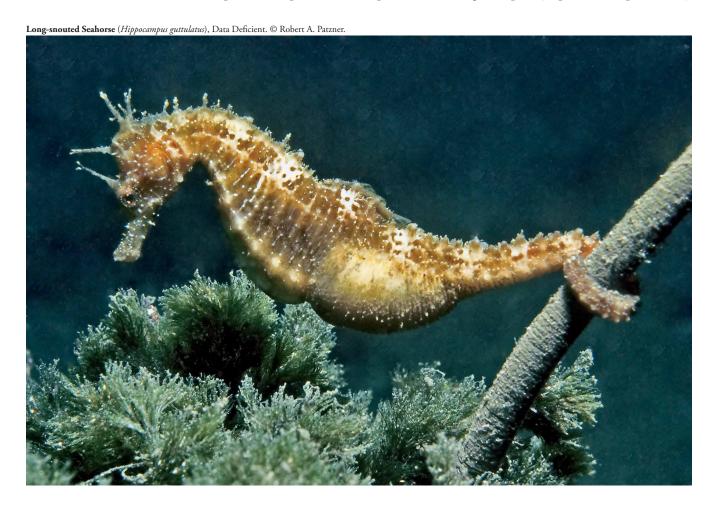
Reliable information on their sizes and ages at maturity, and their longevity, are also often lacking, making the calculation of generation lengths, and thus the rates of population declines per generation, difficult to determine. This information is essential in the calculation and use of population decline as a major predictor of a species' conservation status. While the biology of many or most

species that are common in shallower, inshore habitats in this region is relatively well understood, for many other species present in offshore mid and deep water habitats, even commoner ones, hardly anything is known. The precise habitat requirements and details of the biology of the more cryptic species present are also often less wellknown. For example, the Alepocephalidae (slickheads), a deepwater dwelling family that includes both highly abundant, e.g., Alepocephalus bairdii, and rare species, encompasses 8.5% of the marine bony fishes categorized as Data Deficient (DD). Also, more information on fish habitats and biology is available for some areas within the broader European region (e.g., northern Europe) than in others (e.g., the Black Sea, Macaronesia). The two Gobiesociformes (clingfishes) species assessed as DD are mostly known from the Macaronesian islands in European waters, with Diplecogaster ctenocrypta being found in relatively deep waters and Apletodon pellegrini in shallow waters.

While major threats due to fishing activities, including those to bycatch species, are often known or can be estimated, other threats can be difficult to determine, such as the population effects of habitat degradation and destruction, invasive alien species, or pollution. For example, organic pollutants and heavy metals are measured in marine fish from the coast to the deep sea and some pathological effects are suspected, but the consequences on population dynamics are yet unknown (Stentiford and Feist 2006, Feist *et al.* 2015).

The lack of direct evidence for a link between a potential threat and substantial population trends (>30% decline over three generation lengths) means that some potentially impacted species are categorised as Data Deficient or Least Concern.

With regard to the effectiveness of existing conservation measures, various fisheries management regimes, including the application of a wide variety of input and output controls, can be effective in maintaining the populations of some fished species in European waters. For example, strict management actions have led to recent improvements in the European populations of Atlantic Cod (*Gadus morhua*) and Atlantic Bluefin Tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) (Fernandes and Cook 2013). However, management for other fished species, including Atlantic Halibut (*Hippoglossus hippoglossus*), appears so far to be less effective. In addition, it is unclear if the non fished species are being adequately protected, particularly



in existing Marine Protected Areas within their ranges. Both the effectiveness of existing conservation measures and the need for additional conservation methods therefore need to be addressed. For example, Tortonese's Goby (*Pomatoschistus tortonesei*) was assessed

as Endangered due to its restricted range and reliance on Zostera seagrass habitat; however, it is unclear if the protected areas in Marsala Lagoon and Faro Lake (Sicily, Italy) are effectively protecting this species and its seagrass habitat.

Forkbeard (Phycis phycis), Data Deficient. © Robert A. Patzner.



## 4. Conservation measures

# 4.1 Conservation of marine fish species in Europe

Important efforts have recently been made to improve the conservation status of marine fishes in Europe and at the international level. At the global level, the main legal instrument governing the oceans and seas is the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), which provides a framework for marine environmental protection and the management of fish stocks. Other important global conventions exist, including the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and those aiming to protect species such as the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).

European countries and EU Member States are also signatories to regional conventions, such as the Bern Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats (Bern Convention), or conventions addressing specific environmental problems relevant to the Northeast Atlantic, the Baltic Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. These include the Barcelona Convention for the

Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean (Barcelona Convention), the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic (OSPAR Convention) and the Convention on the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Baltic Sea Area (HELCOM).

The Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) and the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) provide the main EU policy framework related to the conservation and management of marine fauna, and have been made fully consistent, with the latter defining overarching goals and the former being the more technical instrument. The MSFD aims to achieve Good Environmental Status (GES) of the EU's marine waters by 2020 and to protect the resource base upon which marine-related economic and social activities depend. This objective is also reinforced in the EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy.

The CFP is the principal instrument for managing European fishing fleets, together with the national policy of each country, organising who can fish where, how, how much, and when, and also for conserving fish stocks.



The CFP was established in 1982 and updated over the years; the latest reform took effect in January 2014. One of the major management tools in the CFP is the Total Allowable Catch (TAC), which can be set to zero for the more depleted populations. Since 2007, Europe's annual fisheries regulations that set quota limits for commercial stocks have also included a list of "prohibited species" that cannot be fished or landed. With the 2014 reform, the CFP aims to move from landings TACs to catch TACs. The regulation implies the TACs are set at suitable levels to achieve Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY).

Fisheries in the European region are also influenced by a number of management and advisory bodies, all of which play an important role in providing technical advice and developing management measures. In the Northeast Atlantic the most relevant are the Northeast Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) and the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), while the main body governing Mediterranean fisheries is the General Fisheries Council for the Mediterranean (GFCM). The International Council for the Exploration of the Seas (ICES) is providing advice on the status of an increasing number of fish stocks in European Atlantic waters. While ICES is strictly a scientific advisory body, NEAFC and ICCAT bear also responsibility for management.

In relation to shark finning, two prohibitions apply in Europe. In 2003, the EU adopted a finning ban through the Regulation 1185/2003 (CEC 2003). However, it should be noted that there remained a loophole allowing for the continued finning of sharks under a Special Fishing Permit. This loophole was only finally closed in June 2013, and now all EU fishing vessels worldwide are required to land sharks with their 'Fins Naturally Attached'. In 2004, ICCAT adopted a finning ban (ICCAT 2005), requiring that fins should not total more than 5% of the weight of the sharks onboard – though it remains unspecified whether this pertains to the whole or dressed carcass weight.

The marine Natura 2000 sites designated under the Birds and Habitats Directives are another important marine conservation tool and provide the basis for a network of Marine Protected Areas across the EU. Currently the marine Natura 2000 network of protected areas comprises 4% of the total EU marine area. While this represents great progress towards marine conservation, further efforts are needed to ensure that the Natura 2000 sites have adequate management and deliver the required protection; at the moment, fisheries are not sufficiently regulated in many Natura 2000 areas (Fock 2011, Tsiafouli *et al.* 2013).

# 4.2 Red List versus priority for conservation action

Assessing the extinction risk and setting conservation priorities are related but distinct processes. The purpose of the IUCN Red List assessment is to produce a relative estimate of the likelihood of extinction of a taxon. Setting conservation priorities, on the other hand, also takes into account other factors such as ecological, phylogenetic, historical, economical, or cultural preferences for some taxa over others, as well as the probability of success of conservation actions, availability of funds or personnel, cost-effectiveness, and legal frameworks for the conservation of threatened taxa. In the context of regional risk assessments, a number of additional pieces of information are valuable for setting conservation priorities. For example, it is important to consider not only conditions within the region, but also the status of the taxon from a global perspective and the proportion of the global population that occurs within the region. The decision on how these three variables, as well as the other factors, are used for establishing conservation priorities is a matter for the regional authorities to determine, taking into account the assessment status of the species of concern.

## 5. Recommendations

#### 5.1 Recommended actions

Currently, 7.5% of marine fishes are considered threatened at the European regional level. Primarily these are chondrichthyan fishes and heavily exploited bony fishes as well as a small number of species with restricted ranges (Table 4). The most important threat to marine fishes in Europe is the over-exploitation of both targeted and non-targeted species. Hence, improving the conservation status of marine fishes and preventing future declines in Europe will require increasing efforts and commitments from both European and neighbouring countries. Below, a series of recommendations are proposed to strengthen the long-term survival of European marine fishes:

- Use the European and national Red Lists of marine fishes to inform revisions and implementation of relevant European legislation (including the Marine Strategy Framework Directive and the Maritime Spatial Planning Directive) to improve the status of threatened marine species, and to improve the knowledge of Data Deficient species.
- Continue, and where necessary, expand multi-national fisheries conservation initiatives and management of commercially shared stocks of exploited species, particularly in the Mediterranean and Black Seas.
- Take immediate measures to (i) reduce target and incidental catches of species assessed as threatened (i.e., Critically Endangered, Endangered and Vulnerable), (ii) enact measures to ensure sustainable management of species threatened by exploitation, and (iii) set and enforce science-based fishing opportunities and multi-annual management plans for all commercial species, especially those fisheries that target or affect species assessed as threatened and Near Threatened based on exploitation.
- Ensure compliance with the requirements under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) to apply the precautionary approach by harvesting species at levels to ensure Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) for all EU fisheries, especially those for highly migratory species.
- Ensure compliance with the requirements, under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) to apply the ecosystem-based management of fisheries.
- Improve collection of fisheries-dependent data of commercial fisheries, in particular data on catch

- composition, by-catch, landings, discards, and catch per unit effort, and where not already in place, establish monitoring schemes for small scale artisanal and recreational (line and spear) fisheries.
- Require fully documented fisheries and proper mapping of fisheries and fishing effort deployed though control technologies such as Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), Vessel Detection System (VDS) and/ or Automatic Identification System (AIS).
- Expand fisheries-independent data collection monitoring, especially for Data Deficient species, and monitoring of threatened species that are not currently sampled effectively, and ensure that such data are exchanged with relevant scientific bodies and Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMO) (e.g., ICES, GFCM, NEAFC, ICCAT).
- Improve EU and RFMO requirements for speciesspecific reporting of catches and landings of all species, especially chondrichthyans, and for quality assurance of these data so that improved analyses of long-term trends can be undertaken.
- Carry out analyses of species trends in both the Northeast Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea. In particular in the Mediterranean Sea, although there is the ongoing MEDITS survey, there is an urgent need for the development of region-wide time-series analyses of these data.
- For those taxa with threatened species and taxonomic problems, improved species identification is required in all data collection exercises (including both commercial landings as well as scientific surveys). For that purpose, trainings of species identification to fishers should be provided, in particular for sharks, skates and rays species, with a view to ensuring that these species are not confused and that juveniles in particular can be distinguished.
- Ensure that all designated Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and areas restricted to fisheries, at the national, regional (Regional Seas Conventions) and European levels (Natura 2000 network) provide adequate protection to threatened marine fishes and particularly protect critical habitats for key life cycle stages (e.g., spawning, pupping, nursery and feeding grounds).
- Fully adopt and enforce fisheries management measures for designated MPAs with the view to

alleviate pressure on marine fish species and on the habitats that are necessary for their conservation.

- Expand area-based conservation measures to meet and exceed the globally agreed-upon Aichi Target 11 of 10% coverage of each marine region, by identifying and establishing Fish Stock Recovery areas, as per the Common Fisheries Policy provisions, to protect spawning grounds and concentration of juvenile fish for those commercial fish species assessed as Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened.
- Revise the list of threatened European marine fishes regularly, and whenever new data becomes available.
- Conduct basic biological research for deep-sea and Data Deficient species, especially those that are or have been commercially exploited (e.g., Orange Roughy, *Hoplostethus atlanticus*, and the wolf-fishes, *Anarhichas* spp.).

#### 5.2 Application of project outputs

The European Red List of marine fishes is part of a wider initiative aimed at assessing the status of all European species. It provides key resources for decision-makers, policymakers, resources managers, environmental planners, NGOs and the concerned public by compiling large amounts of data on the population, ecology, habitats,

threats and recommended conservation measures for each marine fish species. These data are freely available on the IUCN Red List website (www.iucnredlist.org/initiatives/europe), on the European Commission's website (http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist) and through paper publications (see the list of European Red Lists published at the end of this report).

This European Red List of marine fishes includes many highly exploited species that support large commercial, recreational, and artisanal fisheries.

Red Lists are a dynamic tool that will evolve with time as species are re-assessed according to new information or situations. They are aimed at stimulating and supporting research, monitoring and conservation action at local, regional and international levels, especially for threatened, Near Threatened and Data Deficient species.

Each species assessment lists the major threats affecting the specific marine fish species as well as conservation measures in place or needed. This will be useful to inform the application of conservation measures for each species. The outputs of this project can be applied to inform policy, and to identify priority sites for biodiversity and priority species to include in research and monitoring programmes.



#### 5.3 Future work

This project has mobilised a network of international, European and national marine fish experts, and has made extensive use of their knowledge and experience. It has benefitted greatly from the work and information held by relevant organisations and stakeholders, such as international marine conventions (OSPAR, HELCOM, Barcelona and Black Sea Conventions), ICES, Regional Fisheries Management Organisations and NGOs.

Through the process of compiling data for the European Red List, a number of knowledge gaps have been identified. Across Europe there are significant geographic, geopolitical and taxonomic biases in the quality of data available on the distribution and status of species.

There is a clear need for drawing together information from all data compilation initiatives under way or planned, and for a wider European marine fish conservation action plan to be explored, developed, and progressed. It is hoped that by presenting this assessment, local, national, regional and international research will be stimulated to provide new data and to improve on the quality of that already given.

Key challenges for the future are to improve monitoring and data quality, and to further develop data openness and dissemination so that the information and analyses presented here can be updated and improved, and so conservation actions can be given as solid a scientific basis as possible. The further dissemination of this information to concerned European citizens will also lead to progressive policies at various jurisdictional levels that promote marine and fisheries conservation.

If the marine fish assessments are periodically updated, they will enable the changing status of these species to be tracked through time via the production of a Red List Index (Butchart et al. 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007). To date, this indicator has been produced for birds, mammals, amphibians and reptiles at the European regional level and has been adopted as one of the headline biodiversity indicators to monitor progress towards halting biodiversity loss in Europe by 2020 (EEA 2007). For marine fishes, this Red List indicator has been developed for the North Sea (Dulvy et al. 2006); the same methodology could be applied more widely to European marine fishes if the assessments are regularly repeated. The development of such an index will be important to evaluate progress towards meeting Target 4 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy (e.g., achieving Maximum Sustainable Yield by 2020), and Aichi Target 6 of the CBD, whereby, inter alia, all fish stocks are managed and harvested sustainably.



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# Appendix 1. Red List status of European marine fishes

Class	Order	Family	Species	IUCN Red List Category	IUCN Red List Criteria	Endemic to Europe
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Chlopsidae	Chlopsis bicolor	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Ariosoma balearicum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Conger conger	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Gnathophis codoniphorus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Gnathophis mystax	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Heteroconger longissimus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Paraconger macrops	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Congridae	Pseudophichthys splendens	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Derichthyidae	Derichthys serpentinus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Derichthyidae	Nessorhamphus ingolfianus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Heterenchelyidae	Panturichthys fowleri	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenesocidae	Cynoponticus ferox	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Anarchias longicauda	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Enchelycore anatina	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Gymnothorax bacalladoi	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Gymnothorax maderensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Gymnothorax polygonius	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Gymnothorax unicolor	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Gymnothorax vicinus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Muraena augusti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Muraenidae	Muraena helena	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nemichthyidae	Avocettina infans	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nemichthyidae	Nemichthys curvirostris	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nemichthyidae	Nemichthys scolopaceus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nettastomatidae	Facciolella oxyrhyncha	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nettastomatidae	Nettastoma melanurum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nettastomatidae	Saurenchelys cancrivora	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Nettastomatidae	Venefica proboscidea	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Apterichtus anguiformis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Apterichtus caecus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Dalophis imberbis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Echelus myrus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Myrichthys pardalis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Ophichthus maculatus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Ophichthus rufus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Ophisurus serpens	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Ophichthidae	Pisodonophis semicinctus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Serrivomeridae	Serrivomer beanii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Serrivomeridae	Serrivomer lanceolatoides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Dysomma brevirostre	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Dysommina proboscideus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Histiobranchus bathybius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Ilyophis arx	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Ilyophis blachei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Ilyophis brunneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Simenchelys parasitica	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Synaphobranchus affinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Synaphobranchus brevidorsalis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Synaphobranchus dolichorhynchus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Anguilliformes	Synaphobranchidae	Synaphobranchus kaupii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ateleopodiformes	Ateleopodidae	Guentherus altivela	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Atheriniformes	Atherinidae	Atherina hepsetus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Atheriniformes	Atherinidae	Atherina presbyter	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Alepisauridae	Alepisaurus brevirostris	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Alepisauridae	Alepisaurus ferox	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Anotopteridae	Anotopterus pharao	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Aulopidae	Aulopus filamentosus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Bathysauridae	Bathysaurus ferox	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Bathysauridae	Bathysaurus mollis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Chlorophthalmidae	Chlorophthalmus agassizi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Evermannellidae	Coccorella atlantica	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Evermannellidae	Evermannella balbo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Evermannellidae	Evermannella melanoderma	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathymicrops multispinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathymicrops regis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathypterois dubius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathypterois grallator	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathypterois longipes	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathypterois phenax	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Ipnopidae	Bathytyphlops sewelli	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Notosudidae	Ahliesaurus berryi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Notosudidae	Scopelosaurus argenteus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Notosudidae	Scopelosaurus lepidus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Notosudidae	Scopelosaurus smithii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Omosudidae	Omosudis lowii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Arctozenus risso	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Lestidiops affinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Lestidiops jayakari	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Lestidiops sphyrenoides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Macroparalepis affinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Macroparalepis brevis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Magnisudis atlantica	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Paralepis brevirostris	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Paralepis coregonoides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Paralepis speciosa	LC		Yes

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Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Sudis hyalina	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Uncisudis longirostra	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Paralepididae	Uncisudis quadrimaculata	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Scopelarchidae	Benthalbella infans	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Scopelarchidae	Rosenblattichthys hubbsi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Scopelarchidae	Scopelarchus analis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Scopelarchidae	Scopelarchus guentheri	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Scopelarchidae	Scopelarchus michaelsarsi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Synodontidae	Synodus foetens	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Synodontidae	Synodus saurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Synodontidae	Synodus synodus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Aulopiformes	Synodontidae	Trachinocephalus myops	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Batrachoidiformes	Batrachoididae	Halobatrachus didactylus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Belonidae	Belone belone	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Belonidae	Belone svetovidovi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Belonidae	Platybelone argalus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Belonidae	Tylosurus acus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Cheilopogon cyanopterus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Cheilopogon exsiliens	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Cheilopogon furcatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Cheilopogon heterurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Cheilopogon pinnatibarbatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Exocoetus obtusirostris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Exocoetus volitans	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Hirundichthys rondeletii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Exocoetidae	Hirundichthys speculiger	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Hemiramphidae	Hemiramphus balao	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Hemiramphidae	Hyporhamphus picarti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Scomberesocidae	Scomberesox saurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beloniformes	Scomberesocidae	Scomberesox simulans	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Anoplogastridae	Anoplogaster cornuta	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Berycidae	Beryx decadactylus	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Berycidae	Beryx splendens	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Diretmidae	Diretmichthys parini	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Diretmidae	Diretmus argenteus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Holocentridae	Sargocentron hastatum	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Trachichthyidae	Gephyroberyx darwinii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Trachichthyidae	Hoplostethus atlanticus	VU	A1bd	No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Trachichthyidae	Hoplostethus cadenati	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Beryciformes	Trachichthyidae	Hoplostethus mediterraneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Cetomimidae	Cetichthys indagator	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Cetomimidae	Cetomimus hempeli	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Cetomimidae	Cetostoma regani	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Cetomimidae	Gyrinomimus myersi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Cetomimidae	Mirapinna esau	DD		No

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Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Mirapinnidae	Parataeniophorus gulosus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Cetomimiformes	Rondeletiidae	Rondeletia loricata	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Clupeidae	Clupea harengus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Clupeidae	Sardina pilchardus	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Clupeidae	Sardinella aurita	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Clupeidae	Sardinella maderensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Clupeidae	Sprattus sprattus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Engraulidae	Engraulis albidus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Clupeiformes	Engraulidae	Engraulis encrasicolus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Bregmacerotidae	Bregmaceros atlanticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Boreogadus saida	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Gadiculus argenteus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Gadus chalcogrammus	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Gadus morhua	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Melanogrammus aeglefinus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Merlangius merlangus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Micromesistius poutassou	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Pollachius pollachius	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Pollachius virens	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Raniceps raninus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Trisopterus capelanus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Trisopterus esmarkii	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Trisopterus luscus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Gadidae	Trisopterus minutus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Brosme brosme	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Ciliata mustela	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Ciliata septentrionalis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Enchelyopus cimbrius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus argentatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus biscayensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus granti	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus guttatus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus macrophthalmus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus mediterraneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Gaidropsarus vulgaris	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Molva dypterygia	VU	A1bd	No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Molva macrophthalma	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Lotidae	Molva molva	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Asthenomacrurus victoris	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Bathygadus melanobranchus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coelorinchus caelorhincus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coelorinchus labiatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coelorinchus mediterraneus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides armatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides brevibarbis	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides carapinus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides guentheri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides leptolepis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides mediterraneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides profundicolus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides rupestris	EN	A1bd	No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides thelestomus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Coryphaenoides zaniophorus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Echinomacrurus mollis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Gadomus arcuatus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Gadomus dispar	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Gadomus longifilis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Hymenocephalus italicus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Hymenogadus gracilis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Kumba dentoni	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Macrourus berglax	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Malacocephalus laevis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Nezumia aequalis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Nezumia longebarbata	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Nezumia sclerorhynchus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Odontomacrurus murrayi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Paracetonurus flagellicauda	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Sphagemacrurus hirundo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Squalogadus modificatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Trachonurus sulcatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Trachonurus villosus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Trachyrincus murrayi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Macrouridae	Trachyrincus scabrus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Melanonidae	Melanonus zugmayeri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Merlucciidae	Lyconus brachycolus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Merlucciidae	Merluccius merluccius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Antimora rostrata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Eretmophorus kleinenbergi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Gadella maraldi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Guttigadus latifrons	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Halargyreus johnsonii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Laemonema robustum	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Laemonema yarrellii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Lepidion eques	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Lepidion guentheri	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Lepidion lepidion	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Lepidion schmidti	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Mora moro	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Physiculus dalwigki	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Moridae	Rhynchogadus hepaticus	DD		Yes

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Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Phycidae	Phycis blennoides	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gadiformes	Phycidae	Phycis phycis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gasterosteiformes	Gasterosteidae	Spinachia spinachia	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Apletodon bacescui	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Apletodon dentatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Apletodon incognitus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Apletodon pellegrini	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Diplecogaster bimaculata	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Diplecogaster ctenocrypta	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Gouania willdenowi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Lepadogaster candolii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Lepadogaster lepadogaster	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Lepadogaster purpurea	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	Opeatogenys gracilis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Lampridae	Lampris guttatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Lophotidae	Lophotus lacepede	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Radiicephalidae	Radiicephalus elongatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Regalecidae	Regalecus glesne	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Stylephoridae	Stylephorus chordatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Trachipteridae	Trachipterus arcticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Trachipteridae	Trachipterus trachypterus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lampriformes	Trachipteridae	Zu cristatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Antennariidae	Antennatus nummifer	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Antennariidae	Fowlerichthys senegalensis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Antennariidae	Histrio histrio	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Caulophrynidae	Caulophryne jordani	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Caulophrynidae	Caulophryne polynema	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Ceratiidae	Ceratias holboelli	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Ceratiidae	Cryptopsaras couesii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Chaunacidae	Chaunax pictus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Chaunacidae	Chaunax suttkusi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Diceratiidae	Bufoceratias wedli	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Gigantactinidae	Gigantactis ios	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Gigantactinidae	Gigantactis vanhoeffeni	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Himantolophidae	Himantolophus albinares	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Himantolophidae	Himantolophus brevirostris	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Himantolophidae	Himantolophus compressus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Himantolophidae	Himantolophus groenlandicus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Himantolophidae	Himantolophus mauli	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Haplophryne mollis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne arcturi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne brevibarbata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne lucifer	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne maderensis	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne polypogon	DD		No

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Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne racemifera	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Linophryne sexfilis	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Linophrynidae	Photocorynus spiniceps	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Lophiidae	Lophius budegassa	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Lophiidae	Lophius piscatorius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Melanocetidae	Melanocetus johnsonii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Melanocetidae	Melanocetus murrayi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Neoceratiidae	Neoceratias spinifer	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Chaenophryne draco	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Chaenophryne longiceps	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Chaenophryne ramifera	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Ctenochirichthys longimanus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Dolopichthys allector	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Dolopichthys danae	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Dolopichthys jubatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Dolopichthys longicornis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Dolopichthys pullatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Leptacanthichthys gracilispinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Lophodolos acanthognathus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Microlophichthys microlophus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes anisacanthus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes carlsbergi	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes clarkei	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes eschrichtii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes macronema	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes macrosteus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes myrionemus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Oneirodes posti	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Pentherichthys atratus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Phyllorhinichthys micractis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Puck pinnata	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Oneirodidae	Spiniphryne gladisfenae	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Thaumatichthyidae	Lasiognathus amphirhamphus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Thaumatichthyidae	Lasiognathus beebei	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Lophiiformes	Thaumatichthyidae	Lasiognathus saccostoma	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Mugiliformes	Mugilidae	Oedalechilus labeo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Benthosema glaciale	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Benthosema suborbitale	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Bolinichthys indicus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Bolinichthys photothorax	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Bolinichthys supralateralis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Ceratoscopelus warmingii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus adenomus	NA		No

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Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus bertelseni	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus dumerilii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus effulgens	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus holti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus lucidus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus metopoclampus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus mollis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus perspicillatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus rafinesquii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus splendidus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus subtilis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diaphus termophilus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Diogenichthys atlanticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Electrona risso	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Gonichthys cocco	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Hygophum benoiti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Hygophum hygomii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Hygophum macrochir	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Hygophum reinhardtii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Hygophum taaningi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampadena anomala	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampadena atlantica	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampadena chavesi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampadena luminosa	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampadena speculigera	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus alatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus crocodilus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus festivus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus intricarius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus macdonaldi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus photonotus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lampanyctus pusillus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lepidophanes gaussi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lepidophanes guentheri	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lobianchia dofleini	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Lobianchia gemellarii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Loweina interrupta	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Loweina rara	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Myctophum affine	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Myctophum nitidulum	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Myctophum punctatum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Nannobrachium atrum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Nannobrachium cuprarium	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Nannobrachium lineatum	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Notolychnus valdiviae	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Notoscopelus bolini	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Notoscopelus caudispinosus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Notoscopelus elongatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Notoscopelus resplendens	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Protomyctophum arcticum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Symbolophorus rufinus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Symbolophorus veranyi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Taaningichthys bathyphilus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Taaningichthys minimus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	Taaningichthys paurolychnus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Neoscopelidae	Neoscopelus macrolepidotus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Neoscopelidae	Neoscopelus microchir	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Myctophiformes	Neoscopelidae	Scopelengys tristis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Halosauridae	Aldrovandia affinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Halosauridae	Aldrovandia phalacra	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Halosauridae	Aldrovandia rostrata	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Halosauridae	Halosauropsis macrochir	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Halosauridae	Halosaurus johnsonianus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Halosauridae	Halosaurus ovenii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Notacanthidae	Notacanthus bonaparte	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Notacanthidae	Notacanthus chemnitzii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Notacanthidae	Polyacanthonotus challengeri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Notacanthiformes	Notacanthidae	Polyacanthonotus rissoanus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Aphyonidae	Aphyonus gelatinosus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Aphyonidae	Meteoria erythrops	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Aphyonidae	Nybelinella erikssoni	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Aphyonidae	Sciadonus cryptophthalmus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Aphyonidae	Sciadonus galatheae	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Aphyonidae	Sciadonus pedicellaris	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	Bellottia apoda	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	Bythites islandicus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	Cataetyx alleni	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	Cataetyx laticeps	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	Grammonus ater	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	Melodichthys hadrocephalus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Carapidae	Carapus acus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Carapidae	Echiodon dentatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Carapidae	Echiodon drummondii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Acanthonus armatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Barathrites iris	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Bassozetus compressus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Bassozetus levistomatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Bassozetus taenia	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Bathyonus laticeps	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Benthocometes robustus	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Brotulotaenia brevicauda	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Brotulotaenia crassa	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Brotulotaenia nigra	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Holcomycteronus squamosus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Lamprogrammus niger	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Monomitopus metriostoma	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Ophidion barbatum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Ophidion rochei	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Parophidion vassali	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Penopus microphthalmus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Porogadus miles	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Spectrunculus crassus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Spectrunculus grandis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Ophidiidae	Thalassobathia pelagica	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Parabrotulidae	Leucobrotula adipata	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Ophidiiformes	Parabrotulidae	Parabrotula plagiophthalma	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Alepocephalus agassizii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Alepocephalus australis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Alepocephalus bairdii	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Alepocephalus productus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Alepocephalus rostratus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Asquamiceps velaris	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bajacalifornia calcarata	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bajacalifornia megalops	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bathylaco nigricans	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bathyprion danae	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bathytroctes macrolepis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bathytroctes michaelsarsi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Bathytroctes microlepis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Conocara fiolenti	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Conocara macropterum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Conocara microlepis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Conocara murrayi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Conocara salmoneum	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Einara edentula	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Einara macrolepis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Herwigia kreffii	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Leptoderma macrophthalmum	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Leptoderma macrops	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Mirognathus normani	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Narcetes erimelas	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Narcetes stomias	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Photostylus pycnopterus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Rinoctes nasutus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Rouleina attrita	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Rouleina maderensis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Talismania mekistonema	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Alepocephalidae	Xenodermichthys copei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Argentinidae	Argentina silus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Argentinidae	Argentina sphyraena	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Argentinidae	Glossanodon leioglossus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Bathylagidae	Bathylagichthys greyae	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Bathylagidae	Bathylagus euryops	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Bathylagidae	Dolicholagus longirostris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Bathylagidae	Melanolagus bericoides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Leptochilichthyidae	Leptochilichthys agassizii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Microstoma microstoma	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Nansenia atlantica	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Nansenia groenlandica	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Nansenia iberica	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Nansenia longicauda	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Nansenia oblita	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Microstomatidae	Nansenia tenera	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Opisthoproctidae	Bathylychnops brachyrhynchus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Opisthoproctidae	Bathylychnops exilis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Opisthoproctidae	Dolichopteryx longipes	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Opisthoproctidae	Dolichopteryx rostrata	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Opisthoproctidae	Opisthoproctus grimaldii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Opisthoproctidae	Opisthoproctus soleatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Osmeridae	Mallotus villosus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Barbantus curvifrons	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Holtbyrnia anomala	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Holtbyrnia macrops	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Maulisia argipalla	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Maulisia mauli	LC		No
1	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Maulisia microlepis	NA		
Actinopterygii Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae	Normichthys operosus	LC		No No
1	Osmeriformes	•				No No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes	Platytroctidae Platytroctidae	Platytroctes apus	LC LC		No N-
Actinopterygii		•	Sagamichthys schnakenbecki			No
Actinopterygii	Osmeriformes Perciformes	Platytroctidae	Searsia koefoedi	LC		No No
Actinopterygii		Acanthuridae	Acanthurus monroviae	NA LC		No No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Ammodytidae	Ammodytes marinus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Ammodytidae	Ammodytes tobianus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Ammodytidae	Gymnammodytes cicerelus Gymnammodytes	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Ammodytidae	semisquamatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Ammodytidae	Hyperoplus immaculatus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Ammodytidae	Hyperoplus lanceolatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Anarhichadidae	Anarhichas denticulatus	EN	A2b	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Anarhichadidae	Anarhichas lupus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Anarhichadidae	Anarhichas minor	NT		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Apogonidae	Apogon imberbis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Aidablennius sphynx	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Blennius ocellaris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Coryphoblennius galerita	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Hypleurochilus bananensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Lipophrys pholis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Lipophrys trigloides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Microlipophrys adriaticus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Microlipophrys canevae	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Microlipophrys dalmatinus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Microlipophrys nigriceps	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Ophioblennius atlanticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius gattorugine	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius incognitus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius parvicornis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius pilicornis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius rouxi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius ruber	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius sanguinolentus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius tentacularis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Parablennius zvonimiri	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Salaria basilisca	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Salaria pavo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Blenniidae	Scartella cristata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Bramidae	Brama brama	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Bramidae	Pterycombus brama	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Bramidae	Taractes asper	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Bramidae	Taractichthys longipinnis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callanthiidae	Callanthias ruber	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Callionymus fasciatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Callionymus lyra	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Callionymus maculatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Callionymus pusillus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Callionymus reticulatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Callionymus risso	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Protogrammus sousai	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Callionymidae	Synchiropus phaeton	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Caproidae	Antigonia capros	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Caproidae	Capros aper	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Alectis alexandrina	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Campogramma glaycos	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Caranx crysos	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Caranx fischeri	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Caranx latus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Caranx lugubris	NA		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Caranx rhonchus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Decapterus macarellus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Decapterus punctatus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Elagatis bipinnulata	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Lichia amia	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Naucrates ductor	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Pseudocaranx dentex	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Selene dorsalis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Seriola carpenteri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Seriola dumerili	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Seriola fasciata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Seriola rivoliana	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Trachinotus ovatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Trachurus mediterraneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Trachurus picturatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Carangidae	Trachurus trachurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Caristiidae	Platyberyx opalescens	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centracanthidae	Centracanthus cirrus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centracanthidae	Spicara maena	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centracanthidae	Spicara smaris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centrolophidae	Centrolophus niger	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centrolophidae	Hyperoglyphe perciformis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centrolophidae	Schedophilus maculatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centrolophidae	Schedophilus medusophagus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Centrolophidae	Schedophilus ovalis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Cepolidae	Cepola macrophthalma	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Chiasmodon niger	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Kali indica	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Kali kerberti	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Kali macrodon	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Kali macrura	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Pseudoscopelus altipinnis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Pseudoscopelus obtusifrons	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Chiasmodontidae	Pseudoscopelus scutatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Clinidae	Clinitrachus argentatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Coryphaenidae	Coryphaena equiselis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Coryphaenidae	Coryphaena hippurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Draconettidae	Centrodraco acanthopoma	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Echeneidae	Phtheirichthys lineatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Echeneidae	Remora albescens	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Echeneidae	Remora australis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Echeneidae	Remora brachyptera	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Echeneidae	Remora osteochir	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Echeneidae	Remora remora	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epigonidae	Epigonus constanciae	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epigonidae	Epigonus denticulatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epigonidae	Epigonus telescopus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epigonidae	Microichthys coccoi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epigonidae	Microichthys sanzoi	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Epinephelus aeneus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Epinephelus caninus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Epinephelus costae	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Epinephelus marginatus	EN	A2d	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Hyporthodus haifensis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Mycteroperca fusca	VU	B2ab(v)	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Epinephelidae	Mycteroperca rubra	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Diplospinus multistriatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Gempylus serpens	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Lepidocybium flavobrunneum	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Nealotus tripes	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Nesiarchus nasutus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Promethichthys prometheus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gempylidae	Ruvettus pretiosus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Aphia minuta	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Buenia affinis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Buenia jeffreysii	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Chromogobius britoi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Chromogobius quadrivittatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Chromogobius zebratus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Corcyrogobius liechtensteini	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Crystallogobius linearis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Deltentosteus collonianus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Deltentosteus quadrimaculatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Didogobius bentuvii	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Didogobius kochi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Didogobius schlieweni	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Didogobius splechtnai	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gammogobius steinitzi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gnatholepis thompsoni	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius ater	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius auratus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius bucchichi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius cobitis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius couchi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius cruentatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius fallax	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius gasteveni	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius geniporus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius kolombatovici	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius niger	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius paganellus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius roulei	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius vittatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobius xanthocephalus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Gobiusculus flavescens	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Lebetus guilleti	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Lebetus scorpioides	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Lesueurigobius friesii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Lesueurigobius heterofasciatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Lesueurigobius sanzi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Lesueurigobius suerii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Mauligobius maderensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Millerigobius macrocephalus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Odondebuenia balearica	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus bathi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus knerii	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus lozanoi	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus marmoratus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus minutus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus norvegicus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus pictus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus quagga	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pomatoschistus tortonesei	EN	B2ab(ii,iii)	Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Ponticola cephalargoides	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Ponticola platyrostris	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Ponticola ratan	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Proterorhinus marmoratus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Pseudaphya ferreri	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Speleogobius trigloides	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Thorogobius ephippiatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Thorogobius macrolepis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Vanneaugobius canariensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Vanneaugobius dollfusi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Vanneaugobius pruvoti	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Zebrus zebrus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Gobiidae	Zosterisessor ophiocephalus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Haemulidae	Parapristipoma humile	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Haemulidae	Parapristipoma octolineatum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Haemulidae	Plectorhinchus mediterraneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Haemulidae	Pomadasys incisus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Howellidae	Bathysphyraenops simplex	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Howellidae	Howella atlantica	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Istiophoridae	Tetrapturus belone	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Istiophoridae	Tetrapturus georgii	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Kyphosidae	Kyphosus bigibbus	DD		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Kyphosidae	Kyphosus sectatrix	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Kyphosidae	Kyphosus vaigiensis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Acantholabrus palloni	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Bodianus scrofa	VU	B2ab(iv,v)	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Centrolabrus exoletus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Coris julis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Ctenolabrus rupestris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Labrus bergylta	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Labrus merula	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Labrus mixtus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Labrus viridis	VU	A4ad	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Lappanella fasciata	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Sparisoma cretense	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus bailloni	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus caeruleus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus cinereus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus doderleini	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus mediterraneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus melanocercus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus melops	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus ocellatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus roissali	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus rostratus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus tinca	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Symphodus trutta	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Thalassoma pavo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Labridae	Xyrichtys novacula	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Lobotidae	Lobotes surinamensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Luvaridae	Luvarus imperialis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Moronidae	Dicentrarchus punctatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Mullidae	Mullus barbatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Mullidae	Mullus surmuletus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Nomeidae	Cubiceps capensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Nomeidae	Cubiceps gracilis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Nomeidae	Nomeus gronovii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Nomeidae	Psenes maculatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Pholidae	Pholis gunnellus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Polyprionidae	Polyprion americanus	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Pomacentridae	Abudefduf luridus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Pomacentridae	Chromis chromis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Pomacentridae	Chromis limbata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Pomatomidae	Pomatomus saltatrix	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Priacanthidae	Cookeolus japonicus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Priacanthidae	Heteropriacanthus cruentatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Priacanthidae	Priacanthus arenatus	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sciaenidae	Argyrosomus regius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sciaenidae	Sciaena umbra	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sciaenidae	Umbrina canariensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sciaenidae	Umbrina cirrosa	VU	A2bc	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sciaenidae	Umbrina ronchus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Acanthocybium solandri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Auxis rochei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Euthynnus alletteratus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Katsuwonus pelamis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Orcynopsis unicolor	VU	A2bde	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Sarda sarda	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Scomber colias	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Scomber scombrus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Scomberomorus tritor	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Thunnus alalunga	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombridae	Thunnus thynnus	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Scombrolabracidae	Scombrolabrax heterolepis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Serranidae	Anthias anthias	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Serranidae	Serranus atricauda	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Serranidae	Serranus cabrilla	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Serranidae	Serranus hepatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Serranidae	Serranus scriba	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Boops boops	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Dentex dentex	VU	A2bd	No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Dentex gibbosus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Dentex macrophthalmus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Dentex maroccanus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Diplodus annularis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Diplodus bellottii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Diplodus cervinus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Diplodus puntazzo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Diplodus sargus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Diplodus vulgaris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Lithognathus mormyrus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Oblada melanura	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagellus acarne	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagellus bellottii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagellus bogaraveo	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagellus erythrinus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagrus auriga	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagrus caeruleostictus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Pagrus pagrus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Sarpa salpa	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Sparus aurata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sparidae	Spondyliosoma cantharus	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sphyraenidae	Sphyraena barracuda	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sphyraenidae	Sphyraena intermedia	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sphyraenidae	Sphyraena sphyraena	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Sphyraenidae	Sphyraena viridensis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Stichaeidae	Anisarchus medius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Stichaeidae	Chirolophis ascanii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Stichaeidae	Leptoclinus maculatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Stichaeidae	Lumpenus lampretaeformis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Stromateidae	Stromateus fiatola	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Tetragonuridae	Tetragonurus atlanticus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Tetragonuridae	Tetragonurus cuvieri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trachinidae	Echiichthys vipera	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trachinidae	Trachinus araneus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trachinidae	Trachinus draco	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trachinidae	Trachinus pellegrini	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trachinidae	Trachinus radiatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trichiuridae	Aphanopus carbo	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trichiuridae	Aphanopus intermedius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trichiuridae	Benthodesmus simonyi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trichiuridae	Lepidopus caudatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Trichiuridae	Trichiurus lepturus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Tripterygiidae	Tripterygion delaisi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Tripterygiidae	Tripterygion melanurum	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Tripterygiidae	Tripterygion tartessicum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Tripterygiidae	Tripterygion tripteronotum	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Uranoscopidae	Uranoscopus scaber	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Xiphiidae	Xiphias gladius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycenchelys alba	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycenchelys muraena	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycenchelys platyrhina	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycenchelys sarsii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes esmarkii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes eudipleurostictus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes frigidus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes gracilis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes paamiuti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes pallidus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes reticulatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes rossi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes seminudus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes squamiventer	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodes terraenovae	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Lycodonus flagellicauda	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Melanostigma atlanticum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Pachycara bulbiceps	DD		No

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Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Pachycara crassiceps	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Perciformes	Zoarcidae	Zoarces viviparus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Arnoglossus grohmanni	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Arnoglossus imperialis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Arnoglossus kessleri	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Arnoglossus laterna	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Arnoglossus rueppelii	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Arnoglossus thori	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Bothidae	Bothus podas	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Citharidae	Citharus linguatula	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Cynoglossidae	Symphurus insularis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Cynoglossidae	Symphurus ligulatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Cynoglossidae	Symphurus nigrescens	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Glyptocephalus cynoglossus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Hippoglossoides platessoides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Hippoglossus hippoglossus	VU	A2ce	No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Limanda limanda	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Liopsetta glacialis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Microstomus kitt	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Pleuronectidae	Reinhardtius hippoglossoides	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Lepidorhombus boscii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Lepidorhombus whiffiagonis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Phrynorhombus norvegicus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Scophthalmus maximus	VU	A2bd	No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Scophthalmus rhombus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Zeugopterus punctatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Scophthalmidae	Zeugopterus regius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Bathysolea profundicola	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Buglossidium luteum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Dagetichthys lusitanica	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Dicologlossa cuneata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Microchirus azevia	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Microchirus boscanion	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Microchirus ocellatus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Microchirus variegatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Microchirus wittei	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Monochirus atlanticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Monochirus hispidus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Pegusa impar	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Pegusa lascaris	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Solea aegyptiaca	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Solea senegalensis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Solea solea	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Pleuronectiformes	Soleidae	Synapturichthys kleinii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Polymixiiformes	Polymixiidae	Polymixia nobilis	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Saccopharyngiformes	Cyematidae	Cyema atrum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Saccopharyngiformes	Eurypharyngidae	Eurypharynx pelecanoides	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Saccopharyngiformes	Monognathidae	Monognathus boehlkei	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Saccopharyngiformes	Monognathidae	Monognathus herringi	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Saccopharyngiformes	Monognathidae	Monognathus nigeli	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Saccopharyngiformes	Saccopharyngidae	Saccopharynx ampullaceus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Salmoniformes	Salmonidae	Salmo salar	VU	A2ace	No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Agonidae	Agonus cataphractus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Agonidae	Leptagonus decagonus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Artediellus atlanticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Gymnocanthus tricuspis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Icelus bicornis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Micrenophrys lilljeborgii	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Myoxocephalus scorpius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Taurulus bubalis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Triglops murrayi	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cottidae	Triglops pingelii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cyclopteridae	Cyclopteropsis mcalpini	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cyclopteridae	Cyclopterus lumpus	NT		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Cyclopteridae	Eumicrotremus spinosus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Dactylopteridae	Dactylopterus volitans	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Careproctus aciculipunctatus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Careproctus merretti	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Careproctus reinhardti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Eutelichthys leptochirus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Liparis liparis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Liparis montagui	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis abyssorum	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis bathybius	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis bipolaris	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis copei	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis hystrix	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis murieli	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Paraliparis nigellus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Psednos spirohira	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Liparidae	Rhodichthys regina	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Peristediidae	Peristedion cataphractum	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Psychrolutidae	Cottunculus konstantinovi	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Psychrolutidae	Cottunculus microps	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Psychrolutidae	Cottunculus thomsonii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Pontinus kuhlii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena azorica	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena canariensis	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena elongata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena laevis	DD		No

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Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena loppei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena maderensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena notata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena porcus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaena scrofa	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaenodes arenai	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Helicolenus dactylopterus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Sebastes mentella	EN	A2bd	No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Sebastes norvegicus	VU	A2bd	No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Sebastes viviparus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Sebastidae	Trachyscorpia cristulata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Setarchidae	Setarches guentheri	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Chelidonichthys cuculus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Chelidonichthys lucerna	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Chelidonichthys obscurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Eutrigla gurnardus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Lepidotrigla cavillone	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Lepidotrigla dieuzeidei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Trigla lyra	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Scorpaeniformes	Triglidae	Trigloporus lastoviza	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes falsidicus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes longivelis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes polylepis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes pumilus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes simus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes suborbitalis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Melamphaes typhlops	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Poromitra capito	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Poromitra crassiceps	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Poromitra megalops	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Poromitra nigriceps	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Scopeloberyx opisthopterus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Scopeloberyx robustus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Melamphaidae	Scopelogadus beanii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stephanoberyciformes	Stephanoberycidae	Acanthochaenus luetkenii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Bonapartia pedaliota	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone acclinidens	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone alba	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone braueri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone livida	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone microdon	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone obscura	NA NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone pallida	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone parapallida	NA		No
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Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Cyclothone pygmaea	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Diplophos taenia	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Gonostoma atlanticum	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Gonostoma denudatum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Gonostoma elongatum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Manducus maderensis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Margrethia obtusirostra	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Gonostomatidae	Sigmops bathyphilus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Phosichthyidae	Ichthyococcus ovatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Phosichthyidae	Polymetme corythaeola	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Phosichthyidae	Polymetme thaeocoryla	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Phosichthyidae	Vinciguerria attenuata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Phosichthyidae	Vinciguerria nimbaria	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Phosichthyidae	Vinciguerria poweriae	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyripnus atlanticus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyropelecus aculeatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyropelecus affinis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyropelecus gigas	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyropelecus hemigymnus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyropelecus olfersii	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Argyropelecus sladeni	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Maurolicus amethystinopunctatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Maurolicus muelleri	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Sternoptyx diaphana	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Sternoptyx pseudobscura	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	Valenciennellus tripunctulatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Aristostomias grimaldii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Aristostomias lunifer	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Aristostomias tittmanni	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Aristostomias xenostoma	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes atlanticus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes gemmifer	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes indicus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes leucopogon	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes macropogon	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes micropogon	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes neopogon	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes niger	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Astronesthes zharovi	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus brevis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus digitatus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus longipinnis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus nigerrimus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus pawneei	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus proximus	DD		No

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Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Bathophilus vaillanti	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Borostomias abyssorum	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Borostomias antarcticus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Borostomias elucens	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Borostomias mononema	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Chauliodus danae	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Chauliodus sloani	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Chirostomias pliopterus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Echiostoma barbatum	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias braueri	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias contiguus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias dubius	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias enbarbatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias filifer	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias fissibarbis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias lipochirus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias longibarba	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias macronema	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias macrurus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias monodactylus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias obscurus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias parri	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias radicifilis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias satterleei	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias schmidti	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias simplex	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Eustomias tetranema	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Flagellostomias boureei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Grammatostomias circularis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Grammatostomias dentatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Grammatostomias flagellibarba	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Idiacanthus fasciola	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Leptostomias gladiator	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Leptostomias haplocaulus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Leptostomias longibarba	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Malacosteus niger	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Melanostomias bartonbeani	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Melanostomias biseriatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Melanostomias macrophotus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Melanostomias tentaculatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Melanostomias valdiviae	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Neonesthes capensis	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Pachystomias microdon	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photonectes braueri	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photonectes dinema	NA		No

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Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photonectes margarita	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photonectes mirabilis	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photonectes parvimanus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photostomias goodyeari	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Photostomias guernei	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Rhadinesthes decimus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Stomias boa	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Stomias brevibarbatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Stomias longibarbatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Stomiiformes	Stomiidae	Trigonolampa miriceps	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Aulostomidae	Aulostomus strigosus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Centriscidae	Macroramphosus scolopax	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Fistulariidae	Fistularia petimba	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Entelurus aequoreus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Hippocampus erectus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Hippocampus guttulatus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Hippocampus hippocampus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Minyichthys sentus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Nerophis lumbriciformis	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Nerophis maculatus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Nerophis ophidion	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus acus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus phlegon	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus rostellatus	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus schmidti	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus taenionotus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus tenuirostris	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus typhle	LC		Yes
Actinopterygii	Syngnathiformes	Syngnathidae	Syngnathus variegatus	DD		Yes
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Balistidae	Balistes capriscus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Balistidae	Balistes vetula	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Balistidae	Canthidermis maculata	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Balistidae	Canthidermis sufflamen	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Diodontidae	Chilomycterus reticulatus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Diodontidae	Chilomycterus spinosus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Diodontidae	Diodon eydouxii	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Diodontidae	Diodon hystrix	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Molidae	Masturus lanceolatus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Molidae	Mola mola	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Molidae	Ranzania laevis	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Monacanthidae	Aluterus monoceros	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Monacanthidae	Aluterus scriptus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Monacanthidae	Stephanolepis hispidus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Ostraciidae	Acanthostracion notacanthus	NA		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Tetraodontidae	Canthigaster capistrata	LC		No

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Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Tetraodontidae	Ephippion guttifer	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Tetraodontidae	Lagocephalus lagocephalus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Tetraodontidae	Sphoeroides marmoratus	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Tetraodontiformes	Tetraodontidae	Sphoeroides pachygaster	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Zeiformes	Grammicolepididae	Grammicolepis brachiusculus	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Zeiformes	Oreosomatidae	Neocyttus helgae	LC		No
Actinopterygii	Zeiformes	Parazenidae	Cyttopsis rosea	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Zeiformes	Zeidae	Zenopsis conchifer	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Zeiformes	Zeidae	Zeus faber	DD		No
Actinopterygii	Zeiformes	Zenionidae	Zenion hololepis	NA		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus altimus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus brachyurus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus falciformis	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus limbatus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus longimanus	EN	A2b	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus obscurus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Carcharhinus plumbeus	EN	A4d	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Galeocerdo cuvier	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	Prionace glauca	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Pseudotriakidae	Pseudotriakis microdon	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Apristurus aphyodes	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Apristurus laurussonii	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Apristurus manis	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Apristurus melanoasper	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Apristurus microps	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Galeus atlanticus	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Galeus melastomus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Galeus murinus	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Scyliorhinus canicula	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Scyliorhinidae	Scyliorhinus stellaris	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Sphyrnidae	Sphyrna lewini	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Sphyrnidae	Sphyrna mokarran	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Sphyrnidae	Sphyrna zygaena	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Galeorhinus galeus	VU	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Mustelus asterias	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Mustelus mustelus	VU	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Triakidae	Mustelus punctulatus	VU	A4d	No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Chimaeridae	Chimaera monstrosa	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Chimaeridae	Chimaera opalescens	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Chimaeridae	Hydrolagus affinis	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Chimaeridae	Hydrolagus lusitanicus	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Chimaeridae	Hydrolagus mirabilis	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Chimaeridae	Hydrolagus pallidus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Rhinochimaeridae	Harriotta haeckeli	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Rhinochimaeridae	Harriotta raleighana	LC		No

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Chondrichthyes	Chimaeriformes	Rhinochimaeridae	Rhinochimaera atlantica	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Hexanchiformes	Chlamydoselachidae	Chlamydoselachus anguineus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Hexanchiformes	Hexanchidae	Hexanchidae Heptranchias perlo			No
Chondrichthyes	Hexanchiformes	Hexanchidae	Hexanchus griseus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Hexanchiformes	Hexanchidae	Hexanchus nakamurai	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Alopiidae	Alopias superciliosus	EN	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Alopiidae	Alopias vulpinus	EN	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Cetorhinidae	Cetorhinus maximus	EN	A2abd	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Lamnidae	Carcharodon carcharias	CR	C2a(ii)	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Lamnidae	Isurus oxyrinchus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Lamnidae	Isurus paucus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Lamnidae	Lamna nasus	CR	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Mitsukurinidae	Mitsukurina owstoni	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Odontaspididae	Carcharias taurus	CR	C2a(ii)	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Odontaspididae	Odontaspis ferox	CR	A2bcd	No
Chondrichthyes	Lamniformes	Odontaspididae	Odontaspis noronhai	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Arhynchobatidae	Bathyraja pallida	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Arhynchobatidae	Bathyraja richardsoni	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Arhynchobatidae	Bathyraja spinicauda	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Dasyatis centroura	VU	A2d	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Dasyatis marmorata	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Dasyatis pastinaca	VU	A2d	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Pteroplatytrygon violacea	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Dasyatidae	Taeniurops grabata	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Gymnuridae	Gymnura altavela	CR	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Mobulidae	Mobula mobular	EN	A2d	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Myliobatidae	Myliobatis aquila	VU	A2b	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Myliobatidae	Pteromylaeus bovinus	CR	A2c	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Pristidae	Pristis pectinata	CR	A2b; D	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Pristidae	Pristis pristis	CR	A2b; D	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Amblyraja hyperborea	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Amblyraja jenseni	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Amblyraja radiata	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Dipturus batis	CR	A2bcd+4bcd	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Dipturus nidarosiensis	NT		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Dipturus oxyrinchus	NT		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja circularis	EN	A2bcd	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja fullonica	VU	A2bd	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja melitensis	CR	A2bcd+3bcd	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Leucoraja naevus	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Malacoraja kreffti	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Malacoraja spinacidermis	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Neoraja caerulea	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Neoraja iberica	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja asterias	NT		Yes

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Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja brachyura	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja clavata	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja maderensis	VU	D2	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja microocellata	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja miraletus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja montagui	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja polystigma	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja radula	EN	A4b	Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Raja undulata	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rajella bathyphila	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rajella bigelowi	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rajella fyllae	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rajella kukujevi	LC		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rajella lintea	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rajidae	Rostroraja alba	CR	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rhinobatidae	Glaucostegus cemiculus	EN	A3bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rhinobatidae	Rhinobatos rhinobatos	EN	A2b	No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Rhinopteridae	Rhinoptera marginata	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Torpedinidae	Torpedo marmorata	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Torpedinidae	Torpedo nobiliana	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Rajiformes	Torpedinidae	Torpedo torpedo	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus granulosus	CR	A4b	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus lusitanicus	EN	A4b	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus squamosus	EN	A4b	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Centrophorus uyato	VU	A2b	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Deania calcea	EN	A4d	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Deania hystricosa	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Centrophoridae	Deania profundorum	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Dalatiidae	Dalatias licha	EN	A3d+4d	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Dalatiidae	Isistius brasiliensis	NA		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Dalatiidae	Isistius plutodus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Dalatiidae	Squaliolus laticaudus	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Echinorhinidae	Echinorhinus brucus	EN	A2bcd	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Etmopteridae	Centroscyllium fabricii	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Etmopteridae	Etmopterus princeps	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Etmopteridae	Etmopterus pusillus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Etmopteridae	Etmopterus spinax	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Oxynotidae	Oxynotus centrina	VU	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Oxynotidae	Oxynotus paradoxus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Centroscymnus coelolepis	EN	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Centroselachus crepidater	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Scymnodalatias garricki	DD		Yes
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Scymnodon ringens	LC		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Somniosus microcephalus	NT		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Somniosus rostratus	DD		No

Class	Order	Family	Species	IUCN Red List Category	IUCN Red List Criteria	Endemic to Europe
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Somniosidae	Zameus squamulosus	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Squalidae	Squalus acanthias	EN	A2bd	No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Squalidae	Squalus blainville	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squaliformes	Squalidae	Squalus megalops	DD		No
Chondrichthyes	Squatiniformes	Squatinidae	Squatina aculeata	CR	A2bcd	No
Chondrichthyes	Squatiniformes	Squatinidae	Squatina oculata	CR	A2bcd+3cd	No
Chondrichthyes	Squatiniformes	Squatinidae	Squatina squatina	CR	A2bcd+3d	Yes
Myxini	Myxiniformes	Myxinidae	Myxine glutinosa	LC		No
Myxini	Myxiniformes	Myxinidae	Myxine ios	LC		No
Myxini	Myxiniformes	Myxinidae	Myxine jespersenae	LC		No

# Appendix 2. Example of species summary and distribution map

The species summary gives all the information collated (for each species) during this assessment, including a distribution map. You can search for and download all the summaries and distribution maps from the European Red List website and data portal available online at http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist/ and http://www.iucnredlist.org/initiatives/europe.



# Reinhardtius hippoglossoides - (Walbaum, 1792)

ANIMALIA - CHORDATA - ACTINOPTERYGII - PLEURONECTIFORMES - PLEURONECTIDAE - Reinhardtius - hippoglossoides

Common Names: Greenland Halibut (English), Black Halibut (English), Blue Halibut (English), Fletán Negro (Spanish; Castilian), Flétan Noir (French), Flétan du Groenland (French), Greenland Turbot (English), Hipogloso Negro (Spanish; Castilian), Lesser Halibut (English), Mock Halibut (English), Newfoundland Turbot (English), Platija Negra (Spanish; Castilian), Platija de Groenlandia (Spanish; Castilian), Turbot (English)

Synonyms: Pleuronectes hippoglossoides Walbaum, 1792

Red List Status	
NT, (IUCN version 3.1)	

#### **Red List Assessment**

#### **Assessment Information**

Date of Assessment: 2013-10-18

Reviewed?	Date of Review:	Status:	Reasons for Rejection:	Improvements Needed:
true	2014-09-05	Passed	-	-

Assessor(s): Munroe, T., Costa, M., Nielsen, J., Herrera, J. & de Sola, L.

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Regions: Europe

Regional Expert Questions: No change,-1,3,3

#### **Assessment Rationale**

#### European Regional Assessment: Near Threatened (NT)

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides is distributed from Greenland, to Novaya Zemlya, along the Norwegian coast to England to depths of 2,000 m. Reinhardtius hippoglossoides is can be locally abundant, but it is commercially important and has been heavily exploited throughout parts of its range. Generation length was estimated at about 13 years. Population trends in R. hippoglossoides were evaluated over a period of 3 generation lengths in order to apply Criteria A. To account for variability in life history, population trends were examined over a 30 to 40 year time window. Historically low stock abundances were documented in the 1980s and 1990s, along with major declines in total biomass, spawning stock biomass, and a reduction in average fish size. As a long-lived and slow growing species, R. hippoglossoides may be inherently vulnerable to overexploitation. Based on historical estimates of biomass in the Barents and Norwegian seas, there has been approximately 25% increase in estimated biomass over the past 45 to 50 years (three generation lengths). However, there has been an approximately 75% decline in relative biomass from the mid-1970s and 1980s to present in the Iceland and east Greenland stock. Based on average landings in both stocks during the time period, it is estimated that the Barents Sea and Norwegian Sea stock accounts

for roughly 40% of landings, while the Iceland and east Greenland stock accounts for roughly 60% of landings. The declines in the Iceland and Greenland stock are given slightly more weight in estimating the magnitude of population decline. It is estimated that there has been a 20 to 30% decline in the regional population over the past 30 to 40 years (3 generation lengths). Therefore, *R. hippoglossoides* is assessed as Near Threatened under Criterion A2bd.

#### Distribution

## Geographic Range

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides is distributed from Newfoundland (Canada) to both sides of Greenland, and in the northern Pacific Ocean from Sagami Bay, Sea of Japan, the Okhotsk Sea, the Bering Sea, and the Pacific coast of North America to northern Mexico (FAO 2013). In the northeastern Atlantic, *R. hippoglossoides* occurs from south of Ireland and northward to the Faroe Islands, Iceland, and along the continental slope of Norway eastwards to Franz Joseph Land, also including Bear Island and along the submarine ridge to Spitsbergen.

The species occurs at depths of 200 m to 2,000 m (Milinsky 1944, Andriyashev 1954, Godø and Haug 1989, FAO 2013). This species is usually found only to depths of 1,400 m on the continental slope off Norway to 62°N to northern Spitzbergen (Gundersen *et al.* 1999).

# Elevation / Depth / Depth Zones

Depth Lower Limit (in metres below sea level): 2000 Depth Upper Limit (in metres below sea level): 200 Depth Zone: Deep Photic (51-200m), Bathyl (201-4,000m)

#### **Map Status**

Map Status	Data Sensitive?	Justification	Geographic range this applies to:	Date restriction imposed:
Done	-	-	-	-

#### Occurrence

#### Countries of Occurrence

Country	Presence	Origin	Formerly Bred	Seasonality
Faroe Islands	Extant	Native		Resident
Iceland	Extant	Native		Resident
Ireland	Extant	Native		Resident
Norway	Extant	Native		Resident
Russian Federation	Extant	Native	-	Resident
Russian Federation -> European Russia	Extant	Native	-	Resident
Svalbard and Jan Mayen	Extant	Native	-	Resident
United Kingdom	Extant	Native	-	Resident
United Kingdom -> Great Britain	Extant	Native	-	Resident
United Kingdom -> Northern Ireland	Extant	Native	-	Resident

#### **FAO Area Occurrence**

	Presence	Origin	Formerly Bred	Seasonality
27. Atlantic - northeast	Extant	Native	-	Resident

# **Population**

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides was one of the most abundant groundfish species inhabiting the continental slope and shelf areas west, north, and east of Iceland (Solmundsson 2007). Stocks in the northeast Atlantic have been at historically low levels since the 1990s due to periods of high fishing pressure and reduced recruitment (Anonymous 1998, Bowering and Nedreaas 2001). Results from Albert *et al.* (2001) suggest that the recruitment failure reported from previous assessments may be due to the decreasing proportion of the year classes at younger ages being present in the survey area (ICES 1998). Catches from the northern North Sea (Division IVa) increased from ~200 t in 2011 to ~1,000 t in 2012.

#### Barents Sea and Norwegian Sea

Landings from the Barents and Norwegian Sea stock ranged from 12,996 to 21,461 tonnes from 2013 to 2014. Biomass estimates have shown a stable or increasing trend since 1992 (ICES 2013). Based on historical estimates of relative biomass in the Barents and Norwegian seas, averaging of endpoints from 1965-1969, and 2009-2012, there has been approximately 25% increase in estimated biomass (ICES 2013) over the last 30 to 40 years.

#### **Iceland**

Landings from fluctuated between 20,000 and 30,000 t. Relative total biomass estimates are available from 1960 to 2013. This stock reached a record low in 2005. There has been an approximately 75% decline in relative biomass (ICES Advice 2013) from the mid-1970s and 1980s to present.

Therefore, it is estimated that there has been a 20 to 30% decline in the regional population over the past 30 to 40 years (3 generations).

## **Population Information**

**Current Population Trend:** Unknown

# **Habitats and Ecology**

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides ranges from depths of 200 to 2,000 m, but is more commonly found between 500 and 1,000 m. Reinhardtius hippoglossoides typically feeds on prawns, squids, and fishes including cod, eelpouts, capelin, and redfish. In Spitzbergen waters, juveniles feed primarily on polar cod and prawns (Haug and Gulliksen 1982). Feeding activity of R. hippoglossoides peaks in October between depths of 1,100 to 1,500 m (Huse et al. 1999). Spawning takes place in the spring/summer from April to July, which peaks in May/June, at 700 to 1,500 m depth. Reinhardtius hippoglossoides from the Northeast Arctic region spawn primarily from November to mid-January with the peak of season occurring in December (Albert et al. 1998). It is unknown whether R. hippoglossoides is a serial spawner or if all of the eggs are released in a single batch (Stene et al. 1999). There is evidence that indicates R. hippoglossoides as being both a spring and winter spawner (Hogsnestad 1969, Albert et al. 1998) as well as suggestions that this species spawns throughout the year (Fedorov 1971). Eggs, larvae, and post larvae remain pelagic for several months and metamorphosis is completed when 6 cm to 8.5 cm length is attained (Knutsen et al. 2007, FAO 2013). The maximum length and weight for this species is 120 cm and 45 kg, respectively but is more commonly found between 80 and 100 cm and 11 to 25 kg (FAO 2013).

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides is adapted to a variety of environmental conditions and can be found in water temperature from -1°C to 10.0°C. Reinhardtius hippoglossoides is most abundant at temperatures ranging from -0.5°C to 3.0°C (Templeman 1973). Proportions of small fish are higher north of 76° and larger fish are more abundant in deeper water (Godø and Haug 1989). Only a small proportion of R. hippoglossoides over 65 cm are males (Huse et al. 1999). The coastal northern areas west and north of Spitsbergen are used as nursery grounds for R. hippoglossoides and the mature stock is distributed more south along the continental slope where spawning takes place (Godø and Huag 1989). The Denmark Strait serves as the main spawning ground in Icelandic waters for this species with peak spawning taking place from January to April (Solmundsson 2007). Fecundity can range from -7,000 eggs to -140,000 eggs which is primarily correlated to length and age, a lesser extent to the latter. The eggs are 3.8 to 4.3 mm in diameter and yolk-sac larvae range from 10 to 15 mm. Fecundity was determined for females from the Barents Sea which ranged from 6,800 eggs to 70,500 eggs per female between 48 and 80 cm in length (Gundersen et al. 1999). Spawning grounds for R. hippoglossoides in the Barents and Norwegian seas are at 600 and 900 m depth between 70°N and 75°N along the continental slope (Godø and Huag 1989, Hognestad 1969).

The growth rate of individuals from the Barents Sea were faster than those from Iceland but slower than those from Newfoundland (Godø and Haug 1989). *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* grows on average ~6 to 8 cm a year. Individuals from the northeast Atlantic tend to be larger at age, up to about eight years, than those from the northwest Atlantic; however, the growth

patterns seem to be more similar in recent years which suggests the convergence to a similar pattern between northeast and northwest *R. hippoglossoides* (Bowering and Nedreaas 2001).

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides migrates from the east coast of Iceland to Norway (Sigurðsson 1981). After spawning, most individuals will begin a feeding migration to the north and northeast of Iceland. This migration ends in September and from then until December, the fish will migrate back to western Iceland for spawning (ICES 1997). Migration patterns of this species are influenced by size and growth characteristics. Males and females leave the nursery grounds at 40 cm length and females appear in spawning condition around 60 cm (Albert 2003).

Off Iceland, individuals of this species <60 cm in length tend to be pelagic or semi-pelagic feeders while individuals >80 cm feed mainly on the or close to the bottom (Solmundsson 2007).

In the northeast Atlantic females can reach 16 years of age and males can reach 11 years of age (Bowering and Nedreaas 2001). The growth rate of females is slightly faster than that of males after five years of age and males reach sexual maturity before females (Godø and Haug 1989). Age at 50% ranges from 9.5 years to 15.0 years for females and 8.2 years and 11.6 years for males (Morgan and Bowering 1997). Other suggested ages for 50% maturity are 9-10 years of age and 7-8 years of age (sexes combined) (Anonymous 1996, ICES 1997). Additional data are included from the 1970's and the 1980's suggest that 50% of males were mature at about five years of age and females between nine and ten years of age; however, data from Russian surveys suggest that individuals from the Barents Sea reach maturity at about six years of age (sexes combined) (ICES 1997).

Generation length was calculated using the formula  $(A_{max} + A_m/2)$ , where  $A_m$  = age at first maturity (10 years for females),  $A_{max}$  = longevity (16 years). This gives a generation length of 13 years.

#### **IUCN Habitats Classification Scheme**

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
11.1.1. Marine Deep Benthic -> Marine Deep Benthic - Continental Slope/Bathyl Zone (200-4,000m) -> Hard Substrate	-	Suitable	-
11.1.2. Marine Deep Benthic -> Marine Deep Benthic - Continental Slope/Bathyl Zone (200-4,000m) -> Soft Substrate	-	Suitable	-

# Life History

Generation Length	Justification	Data Quality
13	GL = (Amax + Am/2), where $Am = age$ at first maturity (10 years for females), $Amax = longevity$ (16 years)	unknown

Longevity	
16 (Not specified)	

Maximum Size (in cms)
120

F	Average Annual Fecundity or Litter Size
7	7000-140000

# **Breeding Strategy**

Does the species lay eggs?
No

Does the species give birth to live young
No

#### Does the species exhibit parthenogenesis

No

#### Does the species have a free-living larval stage?

No

#### Does the species require water for breeding?

Nο

#### **Movement Patterns**

Movement Patterns: Full Migrant

Congregatory: Congregatory (and dispersive)

#### **Systems**

System: Marine

# **Use and Trade**

#### General Use and Trade Information

The increased use of bottom trawls in the 1960's and 1970's led to the substantial reduction of *R. hippoglossides* in the eastern Norwegian and Barents Sea (Anonymous 1978 from Godø and Haug 1989). Landing trends for *R. hippoglossoides* of the Northeastern Atlantic show regular fluctuations in the last decade with a notable decrease from 50,008 tonnes in 2004 to 36,001 tonnes in 2008 (FAO 2011 FishStatJ Accessed 2013 September).

#### Barents Sea and Norwegian Sea

Biomass estimates indicate a stable or increase in trend since 1992 (ICES 2013). The total catch for this area in 2012 was 20,079 tonnes (ICES 2013).

#### Iceland and East Greenland

The stock has been below BMSY since the early 1990's and is presently at 56% of BMSY. Fishing mortality is estimated to be 1.5 times the  $F_{msy}$  and the stock is currently at 56%  $B_{msy}$  (ICES 2013). Since the record-low biomass observed in 2004 the stock has been stable with a low increase. The total catch for 2012 from this region was 29,309 t, and discarding is considered to be less than 1% by weight (ICES 2013). The total biomass for this species has declined by 75% over the past 50 years (1960-2012).

Subsistence:	Rationale:	Local Commercial:	Further detail including information on economic value if available:
No	-	Unknown	-

#### National Commercial Value: Yes

**International Commercial Value:** Yes

Is there harvest from captive/cultivated sources of this species? No

#### **Threats**

Reinhardtius hippoglossoides has experienced major declines due to exploitation. During the 1970's, the total stock and the spawning stock decreased but have increased slightly since the 1980's. The trawl fishery expanded rapidly in 1969 which contributed to the decline as well. A trawl fishery that operates on the nursery grounds had led to a decrease in the average size of fish in the catch (Godø and Haug 1989). This species also experienced recruitment failure which was indicated by the abundance of juveniles and young fish which contributed to a sharp decrease in catches (Godø and Haug 1987).

During the late 1980's the northeast Arctic stock experienced a drop in year-class indices, derived from regular 0-group and juvenile surveys and a historic low spawning stock biomass was also observed (Hylen and Nedreaas 1995, Smirnov 1995). The importance of this species as a commercial fish increased during this time and a decrease in the commercial catch per unit efforts was observed. This series of events led to strict regulation including a fishing ban north of 71°30'N from 1992 (Gundersen *et al.* 1999).

Females of this species tend to live longer, reach sexual maturity at an older age, and reach a larger size than males. These traits may make females more susceptible to exploitation.

In some areas of the species distribution the depth of occurrence of oil exploitation overlaps with the species habitats.

#### Threats Classification Scheme

Threat	Timing	Scope	Severity	Impact Score
5.4.1. Biological resource use -> Fishing & harvesting aquatic resources -> Intentional use: (subsistence/small scale) [harvest]	Ongoing	-	-	Low Impact: 3
5.4.2. Biological resource use -> Fishing & harvesting aquatic resources -> Intentional use: (large scale) [harvest]	Ongoing	-	-	Low Impact: 3
5.4.3. Biological resource use -> Fishing & harvesting aquatic resources -> Unintentional effects: (subsistence/small scale) [harvest]	Ongoing	-	-	Low Impact: 3
5.4.4. Biological resource use -> Fishing & harvesting aquatic resources -> Unintentional effects: (large scale) [harvest]	Ongoing	-	-	Low Impact: 3

#### Conservation

The ban against a targeted fishery for *R. hippoglossoides* was lifted by Joint Russian–Norwegian Fisheries Commission (JRNFC) in 2010 which resulted in a directed fishery and capture as bycatch in fisheries for other demersal species. The 38th JRNFC session in 2009 cancelled the ban on the *R. hippoglossoides* fishery and implemented a TAC which was raised to 19,000 t for 2013. In the Barents Sea, Norwegian Sea, Spitzbergen, and Bear Island, all targeted fishing by gillnet and long-line vessels longer than 28 m has been banned (Huse *et al.* 1999).

The fishery in the North Sea does not have Total Allowable Catch (TAC) restrictions but does have catch limits for non-EU countries (ICES 2013). ICES advises that catches should not exceed 15,000 t in 2014 in the Barents and Norwegian seas, and not exceed 20,000 t in 2014 for Iceland and East Greenland (ICES 2013).

Coastal states recently began work on a common management plan for *R. hippoglossoides* in the area. This plan will include a gradual lowering of total catches until biological reference points have been evaluated by ICES and the implementation of a harvest control rule and continuous monitoring (ICES 2013). *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* was assessed as Least Concern in Norway (including the Barents Sea) using a generation length of 50 years.

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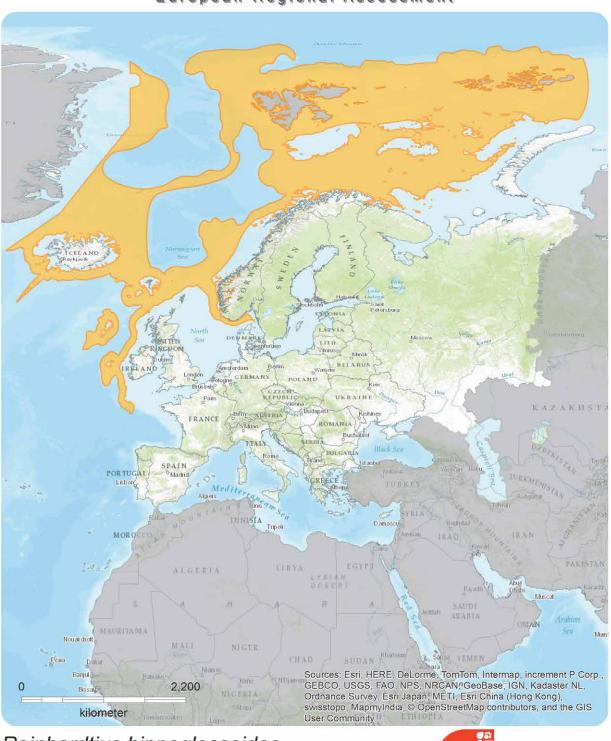
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# Reinhardtius hippoglossoides

#### Range

Extant (resident)

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The Species Survival Commission (SSC) is the largest of IUCN's six volunteer commissions with a diverse global membership of nearly 10,000 experts. With biodiversity loss as one of the world's most pressing crises, and many species declining to critical levels, the SSC drives its efforts and expertise to conserving nature through positive and informed action. This is achieved through the strength of its dedicated science-based network of volunteer experts who constitute the invaluable "power house" of the SSC.

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#### **IUCN – Global Species Programme**

The IUCN Global Species Programme supports the activities of the IUCN Species Survival Commission and individual Specialist Groups, as well as implementing global species conservation initiatives. It is an integral part of the IUCN Secretariat and is managed from IUCNs international headquarters in Gland, Switzerland. The Global Species Programme includes a number of technical units covering Species Trade and Use, The IUCN Red List, Freshwater Biodiversity Unit and Climate Change Unit (all located in Cambridge, UK), the Biodiversity Assessment Unit (located in Washington DC, USA), and the Marine Biodiversity Unit (hosted by Old Dominion University Norfolk VA, USA).

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#### **IUCN – European Regional Office**

The IUCN European Regional Office provides regional and global services to the organisation. With premises located in Brussels, Belgium, the Office provides vital linkages for IUCN (and its Members, National Committees, scientific Commissions and the global Secretariat) to key EU institutions and other public and private actors with regional headquarters in Brussels. Its principal focus is EU-policy influencing, representing IUCN in Brussels, supporting fundraising at the EU level and working with European IUCN Members to inform and shape European decision-making. With a strong focus on biodiversity, nature conservation, ecosystem services and Nature-Based Solutions, the IUCN European Regional Office provides valuable input into ongoing policy debates in these areas, as well as a broad platform for discussions thanks to its varied membership. The Office hosts staff dedicated to the above mentioned functions as well as project staff from the Global Species Programme.

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The European Red List is a review of the conservation status of European species according to IUCN regional Red Listing guidelines. It identifies those species that are threatened with extinction at the regional level – in order that appropriate conservation action can be taken to improve their status.

This publication summarises results for all Europe's native species of marine fishes (1,220 species).

7.5% of species are threatened with extinction at the European level due to mainly overfishing, coastal development, energy production and mining, and pollution.

The European Red List was compiled by IUCN's Global Species Programme and the European Regional Office with support from the IUCN Species Survival Commission and it is the product of a service contract with the European Commission.

It is available online at http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist and http://www.iucnredlist.org/initiatives/europe

