

Butterfish Mortality Cap for the Directed Loligo Fishery

Report run on: September 1, 2011
 For data reported through: August 31, 2011
 Quota period: Annual
 Quota period dates: 01/01/11 to 12/31/11

Week ending date	Estimated butterfish catch (lbs)*	Cumulative estimated butterfish catch (lbs)	Cumulative percent of quota (3,165,838 lbs)
Trimester I	736,335	736,335	23.3
5/7/2011	4,740	741,075	23.4
5/14/2011	9,750	750,825	23.7
5/21/2011	3,382	754,207	23.8
5/28/2011	3,447	757,655	23.9
6/4/2011	19,824	777,479	24.6
6/11/2011	25,640	803,119	25.4
6/18/2011	25,098	828,217	26.2
6/25/2011	17,691	845,908	26.7
7/2/2011	36,742	882,650	27.9
7/9/2011	63,451	946,101	29.9
7/16/2011	49,684	995,785	31.5
7/23/2011	57,640	1,053,425	33.3
7/30/2011	72,107	1,125,532	35.6
8/6/2011	111,574	1,237,106	39.1
8/13/2011	120,075	1,357,181	42.9
8/20/2011	24,957	1,382,138	43.7
8/27/2011	37,923	1,420,061	44.9

*For information on the methodology used to estimate butterfish catch click [here](#)

Notice

During Trimester II, the directed *Loligo* fishery will only be closed if *Loligo* landings are projected to reach 10,071,598 lbs (90% of the Trimester II quota). The *Loligo* fishery will not be closed because of the butterfish mortality cap in Trimester II. The mortality cap will be monitored during Trimester II, and any overages or underages will be applied to Trimester III. As of week ending date 8/27/2011, the cumulative estimated butterfish catch for Trimester II is 683,726 lbs, or 654% of the 104,499 lbs Trimester II quota.

During a closure of the directed *Loligo* fishery, vessels may not fish for, possess, or land more than 2,500 lbs of *Loligo* per trip at any time, and may only land *Loligo* once per calendar day.

For information on the directed butterfish fishery click [here](#)



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