



Giant Food

Giant Food is headquartered in Landover, Md. and operates 164 supermarkets in Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia with approximately 20,000 associates. Included within the 164 stores are 155 full-service pharmacies, 82 full-service PNC Banks, and 24 Starbucks locations. With flexible options and convenient solutions, Giant fits all the ways today's busy consumers want to shop – whether in-store, via Giant Pickup or home delivery from Giant, Delivers which combined serves 157 store locations. For more information on Giant, visit giantfood.com.

2020

| Number of Fisheries Used | Number of Certified Fisheries | Number of Fisheries in a FIP | Number of Fisheries Assessed as Low Risk by Nonprofit Science Partner |
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| 41 | 16 | 6 | 19 |
| Production Methods Used | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midwater trawl • Bottom trawl • Dredge | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seine nets • Gillnets and entangling nets | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hook and line • Longlines • Handlines and pole-lines | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pots and traps |

Summary

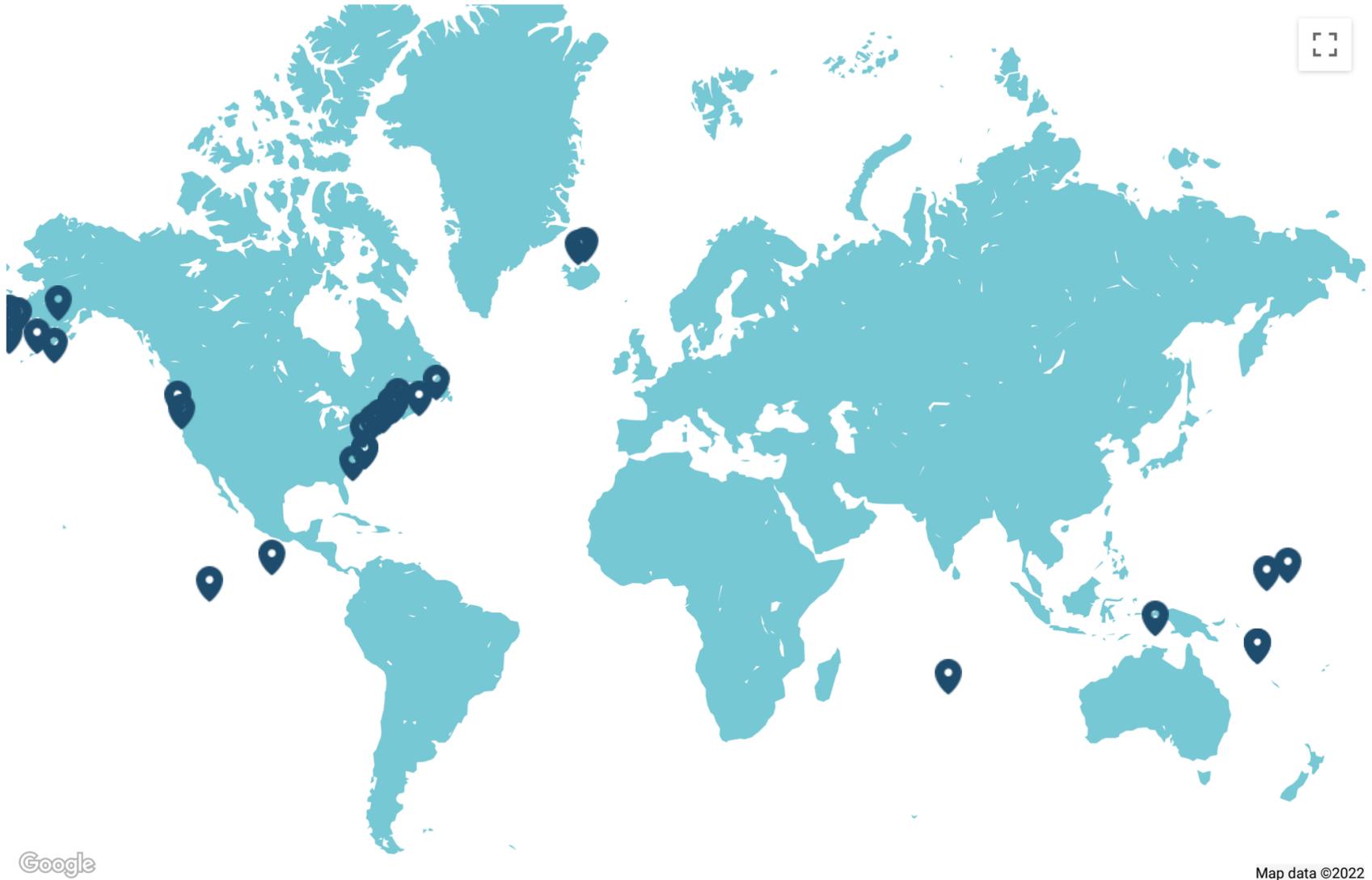
This profile covers all own brand fresh, frozen, and canned seafood sold by Giant Food in 2020. Giant Food has a comprehensive sustainable seafood policy. We are committed to sourcing only seafood from fisheries and farms that are well managed to ensure that fish populations remain healthy and that fishing and farming methods have a minimum environmental and social impact. All seafood we sell, whether it's fresh, frozen, or canned, must meet important sustainability criteria. We work with the Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI), a nonprofit third party, to help us maintain the credibility and transparency of our policy. For both wild-caught and farmed seafood, we will source a product if it has a certification benchmarked by the Global Sustainable Seafood Initiative (GSSI), or if it is from an active fishery or aquaculture improvement project. In cases where neither exists, we will only source a product if it assessed as low risk by GMRI. Low risk sources are managed by competent authorities and have management plans in place that incorporate a science-based approach to ensure sustainability. We only work with suppliers that know where the seafood they provide us comes from, and we require traceability to the source fishery or farm for every item we carry.

Giant Food also requires canned tuna suppliers to comply with the International Sustainable Seafood Foundation conservation measures, and encourages shrimp suppliers to buy from Seafood Task Force members when sourcing from Thailand. Giant Food's parent company, Ahold Delhaize, is a member of the Seafood Task Force, as well as the Global Dialogue on Seafood Traceability. Ahold Delhaize is also a signatory to the World Economic Forum Tuna Declaration. Through the Tuna Declaration, we are committed to pursuing traceability to the vessel for all fresh, frozen, and canned tuna from every country.

For more information on our seafood sourcing policy, please visit:

 www.giantfood.com

Associated Fisheries



| Species and Location | Production Methods | Certification or Improvement Project | Sustainability Ratings | Notes |
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Acadian redfish

Sebastes fasciatus

Bottom trawl

Certified

Well managed



Gulf of Maine and Georges Bank

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have unacceptable impacts on ETP species. ETP species that may interact with the fishery include marine mammals, sea turtles and Atlantic sturgeon, but recorded interactions are low.

- This fishery does not pose a risk of serious harm to bycatch species. Major bycatch species include dogfish and skate, of which, thorny skate is overfished. There is a partial strategy in place to ensure the fishery does not hinder the recovery of thorny skate.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

Reference

[SAI Global, 2016, MSC Assessment Final Report and Determination for US Acadian Redfish, Pollock and Haddock Otter Trawl Fishery.](#)



Alaska pollock

*Theragra
chalcogramma*

Midwater trawl

Certified

Well managed



Gulf of Alaska

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed, but occasional impacts may occur.

General Notes

- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



American angler

Lophius americanus

Bottom trawl

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

Well managed



**US North Atlantic
North**

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact ETP species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low, many species are retained.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Pots and traps

Certified

Well managed



American lobster

Homarus americanus

**Gulf of Maine and
Georges Bank**

Fishery countries:

Environmental Notes

- There are potential risks to ETP species with this fishery, but mitigation actions are underway.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



American plaice

Hippoglossoides platessoides

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

Sustainability not rated



Gulf of Maine and Georges Bank

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



American sea scallop

Placopecten magellanicus

Dredge

Certified

Well managed



US Atlantic - Mid-Atlantic Bight

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to sea turtles with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch is a risk in this fishery.
- Dredges will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic cod

Gadus morhua

Longlines

Certified

Well managed



Icelandic

Fishery countries:

Iceland

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on ETP species.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic croaker

Micropogonias undulatus

Gillnets and entangling nets

Not certified or in a FIP

Sustainability not rated



N&S American Atlantic Coast

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Atlantic herring

Clupea harengus

Seine nets

Not certified or in a FIP

Well managed



Nova Scotia and Bay of Fundy

Fishery countries:

Canada

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Pots and traps

Not certified or in a FIP

Managed



Blue crab

Callinectes sapidus

Chesapeake Bay

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.
- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Bluefish

Pomatomus saltatrix

Hook and line

Not certified or in
a FIP

Managed



W North Atlantic

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to marine mammals with this fishery.
- There is bycatch for this fishery, but the scale of the issue is not established.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Chum salmon

Oncorhynchus keta

Gillnets and
entangling nets

Certified

Well managed



Alaska - Bristol Bay

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Intertek Moody Marine, 2013, Alaska Salmon Fishery MSC Public Certification Report](#)



Certified

Well managed



Coho salmon*Oncorhynchus kisutch*Gillnets and
entangling nets

Alaska – Bristol Bay

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes**Caveat**

The environmental notes for this fishery are based on a provisional assessment and are not derived from the FishSource profile.

References

[Intertek Moody Marine, 2013, Alaska Salmon Fishery MSC Public Certification Report](#)

**Dungeness crab***Cancer magister*

Pots and traps

**Not certified or in
a FIP****Managed**

Oregon

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.
- This fishery was previously MSC-certified but withdrew from the MSC program in 2015. As of 2017, the fishery is undergoing an MSC Pre-Assessment.

References

[Marine Stewardship Council, Oregon Dungeness Crab](#)

**Haddock***Melanogrammus
aeglefinus*

Bottom trawl

Certified**Managed**

Gulf of Maine

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is a significant risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes



Haddock

*Melanogrammus
aeglefinus*

Bottom trawl

Certified

Well managed



Icelandic

Fishery countries:

Iceland

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. Measures to protect vulnerable habitats such as cold water coral reefs are in place.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Jumbo flying squid

Dosidicus gigas

Hook and line

Not certified or in
a FIP

Sustainability
not rated



SE Pacific

Fishery countries:

Peru

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Longfin squid

Loligo pealeii

Bottom trawl

Certified

Well managed



NW Atlantic

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to marine mammals, sharks, and rays with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.

- There is some risk of bycatch by bottom trawl gear.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Mahi-mahi

Coryphaena hippurus

Eastern Pacific
Ocean

Fishery countries:
Ecuador

Longlines

FIP

Sustainability
not rated



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to turtles, sharks and seabirds with this fishery.
- Bycatch is a significant risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress, Ecuador mahi-mahi - longline](#)



Mahi-mahi

Coryphaena hippurus

Western and Central
Pacific

Fishery countries:
Taiwan

Longlines

FIP

Sustainability
not rated



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to turtles and seabirds with this fishery.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress, Taiwan Hsin-Kang mahi-mahi - longline](#)



North Pacific hake

Merluccius productus

NE Pacific

Fishery countries:
United States

Midwater trawl

Certified

Well managed



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Northern brown shrimp

Penaeus aztecus

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

Managed



NW Atlantic – US
Federal

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- There is potential for turtle interactions with this fishery, but excluder devices are fitted to nets for protection.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Northern white shrimp

Penaeus setiferus

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

Managed



NW Atlantic – US
Federal

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- There is potential for turtle interactions with this fishery, but excluder devices are fitted to nets for protection.
- Bycatch is a significant risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Bottom trawl

Certified

Well managed



Pacific cod

Gadus macrocephalus

E Bering Sea

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

- No additional notes



Pacific halibut

Hippoglossus stenolepis

Longlines

Certified

Well managed



NE Pacific – Alaska

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds with this fishery, but mitigation actions are underway.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes



Queen crab

Chionoecetes opilio

Pots and traps

Certified

Well managed



NW Atlantic – Newfoundland and Labrador

Fishery countries:

Canada

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes





Hook and line

Not certified or in
a FIP

Sustainability
not rated



Red porgy

Pagrus pagrus

NW Atlantic

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Silver hake

Merluccius bilinearis

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Sustainability
not rated



US Atlantic coast
northern

Fishery countries:

United States

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Snappers nei

Lutjanus spp.

Longlines

FIP

Sustainability
not rated



Aru Bay, Arafura Sea
and Eastern of Timor
Sea

Fishery countries:

Indonesia

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.
- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress, Indonesia Aru and Arafura demersal fish - longline](#)



Certified

Well managed



Sockeye salmon

Oncorhynchus nerka

Gillnets and
entangling nets



Alaska - Southeast
Alaska

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

General Notes

Caveat

The environmental notes for this fishery are based on a provisional assessment and are not derived from the FishSource profile.

References

[Intertek Moody Marine, 2013, MSC Public Certification Report for the Alaska Salmon Fishery.](#)



Striped bass

Morone saxatilis

Gillnets and
entangling nets

Not certified or in
a FIP

Managed



US Atlantic

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Summer flounder

Paralichthys dentatus

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Managed



Northwest Atlantic

Fishery countries:
United States

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Swordfish

Xiphias gladius

Southwest Pacific

Fishery countries:

Vietnam

Handlines and
pole-lines

FIP

Managed



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds, sea turtles and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress, Vietnam swordfish - handline](#)



Swordfish

Xiphias gladius

Southwest Pacific

Fishery countries:

Vietnam

Longlines

Not certified or in
a FIP

Managed



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds, sea turtles and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Vermilion snapper

Rhomboplites

aurorubens

Gulf of Mexico and
Western Central
Atlantic

Fishery countries:

United States

Handlines and
pole-lines

Not certified or in
a FIP

Well managed



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- There is a lack of information on bycatch in this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



White hake

Urophycis tenuis

Gulf of Maine and
Georges Bank

Fishery countries:
United States

Gillnets and
entangling nets

Not certified or in
a FIP

Sustainability
not rated



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, GMRI.



Winter flounder

*Pseudopleuronectes
americanus*

NW Atlantic Central

Fishery countries:
United States

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Needs
improvement



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.
- Ahold Delhaize USA approves this fishery because there is a rebuilding plan in place with strict rules that are well enforced.



Yellowfin sole

Limanda aspera

Bering Sea and
Aleutian Islands

Fishery countries:
United States

Bottom trawl

Certified

Well managed



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

Caveat

The environmental notes for this fishery are based on a provisional assessment and are not derived from the FishSource profile.

References

[MRAG Americas, 2015, MSC Public Certification Report for Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Alaska Flatfish Fishery](#)



Yellowfin tuna

Thunnus albacares

Handlines and
pole-lines

FIP

Managed



Indian Ocean

Fishery countries:

Indonesia

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds, sea turtles and marine mammals with this fishery.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress, Indonesia Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna - handline](#)



Yellowfin tuna

Thunnus albacares

Longlines

FIP

Managed



Western and Central
Pacific Ocean

Fishery countries:

Vietnam

Environmental Notes

- There is a risk to PET species with this fishery. Longlines present a hazard to turtles, seabirds and sharks, but these risks can be reduced through proper management of fishing gear.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but the scale of the issue is not established.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress, Vietnam yellowfin tuna - longline/handline](#)



Yellowtail flounder

Limanda ferruginea

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Managed



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is assessed as low risk by our nonprofit science partner, Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



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