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<i>Lophiidae</i>	Anglerfish	VI, EU & internat. waters of Vb, int. waters of XII & XIV	<5,456	5,183	-5%	5,456	-5%	Commission proposal was in line with a reduction of 25% in TAC where scientific advice in relation to overfishing is unavailable ² . For these stocks scientific advice was insufficient to indicate status. Only trends are available; ICES recommends a reduction in catch under the precautionary approach
<i>Lophiidae</i>	Anglerfish	VII (ANF/07)	<40,900	30,677	-5%	32,292	-5%	
<i>Lophiidae</i>	Anglerfish	VIIIa,b,d,e (ANF/8ABDE)		8,220		8,653	-5%	
<i>Lophiidae</i>	Anglerfish	EU waters of IIIa and IV (ANF/2AC4-C)	<9,643	9,161	-5%	9,643	-5%	
<i>Lophiidae</i>	Anglerfish	VIIIc, IX, X, EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (ANF/8C3411)	3,300	3,300	0	1,571	110%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Lophiidae</i>	Anglerfish	Norwegian waters of IV (ANF/04-N)	N/A	1,500	-	1,500	0%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	VIa, EU & internat. waters of Vb east of 12°00'W	N/A	0	-	182	-100%	As per Comm proposal

¹ <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/1081&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

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<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	VIIa (COD/07A)	0	380	+100%	506	- 25%	The agreed TAC is in line with the management plan ³ . However ICES has evaluated this plan for this stock and found it not in accordance with the precautionary approach Comm prop was +141%
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	VIIb-c, VIIe-k, VIII, IX & X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (COD/7XAD34)	10,000	10,059	+ 0.5%	4,023	150%	
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	Skagerrak (COD/03AN.)	<31,800	3,660	-13%	3,711	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	IV, EU waters of IIa, the part of IIIa not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat		21,974		22,279	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (COD/04-N)		382		382	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	VIIId (COD/07D)		1,543		1,564	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	IIIa; EU waters of Subdivisions 22-32 (SOL/3A/BCD)		610		610	0	840
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VI; EU and internat. waters of Vb; int.nat waters of XII, XIV	N/A	60	-	60	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

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<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VIIa (SOL/07A)	200	300	+ 50%	390	-23%	Spawning Stock Biomass is outside safe biological limits, but fishing mortality sustainable. Agreed TAC projected to maintain fishing mortality and result 5% increase in Spawning Stock Biomass
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VIIb-c (SOL/7BC)	44	44	0	44	0%	Comm prop was - 16% changed to 0%; ICES recommend no increase in catches
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VII d (SOL/07D)	5,600	5,580	0	4,852	15%	2015 Comm prop was + 9% changed to + 15%; ICES recommendation is in line with the transition to Maximum Sustainable Yield by 2015
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VIIe (SOL/07E)	<740	777	+ 5%	710	9%	9% rise in line with agreed management plan. Plan not evaluated by ICES
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VII f, g (SOL/7FG)	1,060	1060	0	1.241	-15%	As per Comm proposal; stock is harvested at Maximum Sustainable Yield
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VII h, j, k (SOL/7HJK)	423	423	0	423	0%	Comm prop was – 15% changed to 0% ICES exploratory advice indicates that the stock was close to Maximum Sustainable Yield

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<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	VIIb-k, VIII, IX, X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (HAD/7X7A34)	13,316	16,645	+25%	13,316	25%	Comm prop was - 25% because of the absence of scientific advice ⁴ . The stock is on an upward trajectory, due to a large recruiting year class. Although a full assessment is not possible, catches are expected to increase. Improved selectivity recommended to reduce discarding
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	VIIa (HAD/07A)	<1,317	1,251	-5%	1,317	-5%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to - 5%
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	IIa, EU waters of 22-32 (HAD/3A/BCD)	IV and IIIa 41,575	2,308	↓ 22%	2,007	15%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	IV, EU waters of IIa (HAD/2AC4)		30,158		26,432	14%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (HAD/04-N)	N/A	707	-	707	pm	As per Comm proposal
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	VIb; XII and XIV (EU and internat. waters)	3,300	3,300	0	3,748	-12%	As per Comm proposal

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<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Herring	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (HER/04-N)	N/A	922	-	846	9%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Herring	North Sea Autumn Spawners; Includes; EU and Norwegian waters of IV north of 53°30' N By-catches in IV, VII d and in EU waters of IIa and Bycatches in IIIa	Management plan = <256,600 MSY and precautionary approach = 478,000	405,000	+57.8% increase on management plan -15% of MSY/PA	216,000	+87%	The status of this stock has improved. ICES finds that a catch of 256,600 t (inc bycatch) would be in line with the management plan. Thus the agreed TAC is 58% in excess of the management plan. However 478,000 t could be taken in 2012 in line with Maximum Sustainable Yield and the Precautionary Approach.
<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Herring	EU and internat. waters of Vb and VIb and VIaN (HER/5B6ANB)	22,900	22,290	0	26,536 2,481	-1%	
<i>Microstomus kitt & Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Lemon sole and Witch	EU waters of IIa and IV (L/W/2AC4-C)	6,391	6,391	0	6,391	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%. ICES recommends that lemon sole catches should not increase and that witch catches should reduce
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	IIIa, EU waters of IIIb-d (LIN/3A/BCD)	92	92	0	92	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	EU waters of IV (LIN/04)	N/A	2,428	-	2,428	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	EC and internat. waters of V (LIN/05)	N/A	33	-	33	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

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<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	EU waters and internat. waters of VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII, XIV (LIN/6X14)	N/A	7.824	-	8.024	-2,5%	Comm prop was - 26% changed to - 2.5%
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	Norwegian waters of IV (LIN/04-N)	N/A	850	-	850	0%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VIIIc, IX & X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (LEZ/8C3411)	<960	1,214	+41%	1,094	11%	Comm prop was +8% changed to + 11%. Advised TAC in line with ICES MSY advice. Agreed TAC is in line with transition to MSY by 2015
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	EU waters of IIa & IV (LEZ/2AC4-C)	1,845	1,845	0	1,845	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VI, EU and internat. waters of Vb; intern. Waters of XII & XIV (LEZ/56-14)	3,387	3,387	0	3,387	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VII (LEZ/07)	20,100	13,725	0	18,300	-25%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIIc, VIIIe (LEZ/8ABDE)	N/A	1,716	-	1,806	-5%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	EU waters of IIa and IV (NEP/2AC4-C)	22,480	21,929	-2%	23,453	-6%	Comm prop was - 11% changed to - 6%

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<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	VI, EU and internat. waters of Vb (NEP/5BC6)	14,100	14,091	0	13,681	3%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	VII (NEP/07)	Not available for whole area	21,759	-	21,759	0%	ICES advice is by functional unit, currently TACs are set for the whole of area VII. ICES considers management would be improved if TACs were set by functional unit
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	VIII a, b, d, e (NEP/8ABDE)	<3,400	3,899	+14%	3,899	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0% Advice and TAC the same as last year.
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	VIIIc (NEP/08C)	No TAC adv	82	-	91	-10%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	IX, X, EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (NEP/9/3411)	<400	273	-31%	303	-10%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	IIIa; EU waters of IIIb-c and Subdivisions 22-32 (NEP/3A/BCD)	6,000	6,000	0	5,170	16%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	Norwegian waters of IV (NEP/4AB-N)	N/A	1,200	-	1,200	0%	As per Comm proposal

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<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Mackerel	IIIa and IV; EU waters of IIa, IIIb-c and Subdivisions 22-32 (MAC/2A34)	Combined TAC 586,000 to 639,000 under management plan	19,855	NA	20,002	NA	The TAC is not fully negotiated with Faeroes and Iceland
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Mackerel	VI, VII, VIII a-b, VIII d-e; EU and internat. waters of Vb; internat. waters of IIa, XII, XIV (MAC/2CX14)		259,129		325,245		
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Mackerel	VIIIc, IX, X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (MAC/8C3411)		29,651		37,139		
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Mackerel	Norwegian waters of IIa and IVa (MAC/xxxx)		10,176		13,018		
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VI; EU and internat. waters of Vb, internat. waters of XII and XIV (PLE/56-14)	N/A	693	-	693	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VIIa (PLE/07A)	1,630	1,627	0	1,627	0%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to 0%
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VII b, c (PLE/07BC)	78	78	0	78	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

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<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VII d, e (PLE/07DE)	4,665	5,062	+8%	4,665	9%	Comm prop was - 10% changed to + 9% TAC corresponds to constant catches in VII d in line with precautionary approach and transition to MSY in VII e
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VII f, g (PLE/7FG)	410	369	+10%	410	-10%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to -10% ICES advice was to reduce catches
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VII h, j, k (PLE/7HJK)	<218	176	-19%	185	-5%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to - 5%
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VIII, IX, X, EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (PLE/8/3411)	395	395	0	395	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	IV; EU waters of IIa; that part of IIIa not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat (PLE/2A3AX4)	84,410	79,201	-6%	68,862	15%	As per Comm proposal; stock inside safe biological limits and exploitation consistent with Maximum Sustainable Yield, and consistent with management plan
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	VI, EU and internat. waters of Vb, internat. waters of XII, XIV (POL/56-14)	397	397	0	397	0%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to 0%
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	VII (POL/07)	13,495	13,495	0	13,495	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

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<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	VIIIc (POL/08C)	231	231	0	231	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	IX, X, EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (POL/9/3411)	282	282	0	282	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Saithe	VII, VIII, IX, X, EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (POK/7/3411)	N/A	3,343	-	3,343	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Saithe	IIIa and IV; EU waters of IIa,b,c,d (POK/2A34)	87,550	46,484	-52%	43,842	-14%	As per Comm proposal Status of stock has been re-evaluated and is at risk of being outside safe biological limits. A catch of 67,000 tonnes would be consistent with the precautionary approach. Catch agreed = 46,484 tonnes
<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Saithe	VI; EU and internat. waters of Vb, XII and XIV (POK/561214)			-4%	9,682	-19%	
<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Saithe	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (POK/04-N)	N/A		-	880	0%	
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of IIa and IV (SRX/2AC4-C)	N/A	1,186	-	1,397	-15%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of IIIa (SRX/03A-C)	N/A	58	-	58	0%	Comm prop was - 16% changed to 0%

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<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of VIa-b, VIIa-c and VIIe-k (SRX/67AKXD)	N/A	9,915	-	11,379	-13%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to - 13%
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of VIIId (SRX/07D)	N/A	887	-	887	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of VIII et IX (SRX/89-C)	N/A	4,222	-	4,640	-9%	Comm prop was - 2% changed to - 9%
<i>Psetta maxima & Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Turbot and brill	EU waters of IIa and IV (T/B/2AC4-C)	4,642	4,642	0	4,642	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	VI, EU and internat. waters of Vb; internat. waters of XII and XIV (WHG/56-14)	N/A	307	-	323	-5%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to - 5%
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	VIIa (WHG/07A)	Lowest possible	89	-	118	-25%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	VIIb-h, and VIIj-k (WHG/7X7A-C)	16,658	19,053	+14%	16,568	15%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to +15 There is no reliable assessment and high levels of discarding means the catch is not likely to be controlled by TAC. Selectivity measures recommended

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<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	VIII (WHG/08)	3,175	3,175	0	3,175	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	IX, X. EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHG/9/3411)	N/A	To be agreed	-	To be established		As per Comm proposal
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	IIIa (WHG/03A)	<1,050	1,031	0	1,031	0%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	IV; EU waters of IIa (WHG/2AC4)	Management plan= 21,300 (human consumption)	15,750	-35%	13,349	18%	As per Comm proposal. There is a management plan, but stock status is uncertain. Further evolutions of the plan are in preparation

EU Regulations published January 2012

Council Regulation (EU) No 43/2012 of 17 January 2012 fixing for 2012 the fishing opportunities available to EU vessels for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks which are not subject to international negotiations or agreements.

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:025:0001:0054:EN:PDF>

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