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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 <sup>2</sup> . 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

<sup>1</sup> <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)	<b>0</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>+100%</b>	506	- 25%	The agreed TAC is in line with the management plan <sup>3</sup> . 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)	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,059</b>	<b>+ 0.5%</b>	4,023	150%	
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	Skagerrak (COD/03AN.)	<b>&lt;31,800</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>-13%</b>	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		<b>21,974</b>		22,279	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (COD/04-N)		<b>382</b>		382	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Cod	VIIId (COD/07D)		<b>1,543</b>		1,564	-1%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	IIIa; EU waters of Subdivisions 22-32 (SOL/3A/BCD)		<b>610</b>		<b>610</b>	<b>0</b>	840
<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VI; EU and internat. waters of Vb; int.nat waters of XII, XIV	<b>N/A</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>-</b>	60	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

<sup>3</sup> COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1342/2008

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<i>Solea solea</i>	Common sole	VIIa (SOL/07A)	<b>200</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>+ 50%</b>	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)	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>5,600</b>	<b>5,580</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>&lt;740</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>+ 5%</b>	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)	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1060</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>423</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>13,316</b>	<b>16,645</b>	<b>+25%</b>	13,316	25%	Comm prop was - 25% because of the absence of scientific advice <sup>4</sup> . 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)	<b>&lt;1,317</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>-5%</b>	1,317	-5%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to - 5%
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	IIa, EU waters of 22-32 (HAD/3A/BCD)	<b>IV and IIIa 41,575</b>	<b>2,308</b>	<b>↓ 22%</b>	2,007	15%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	IV, EU waters of IIa (HAD/2AC4)		<b>30,158</b>		26,432	14%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (HAD/04-N)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>707</b>	-	707	pm	As per Comm proposal
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Haddock	VIb; XII and XIV (EU and internat. waters)	<b>3,300</b>	<b>3,300</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>922</b>	-	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, VIId and in EU waters of IIa and Bycatches in IIIa	<b>Management plan= &lt;256,600</b> <b>MSY and precautionary approach = 478,000</b>	<b>267,559</b>	<b>+4.3%</b> of management plan and <b>-44%</b> of MSY/PA	216,000	24%	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. However 478,000 t could be taken in 2012 in line with Maximum Sustainable Yield and the Precautionary Approach. Thus the agreed TAC is well within this recommendation
<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Herring	EU and internat. waters of Vb and VIb and VIaN (HER/5B6ANB)	<b>22,900</b>	<b>22,290</b>	<b>0</b>	26,536 2,481	-1%	
<i>Microstomus kitt &amp; Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Lemon sole and Witch	EU waters of IIa and IV (LW/2AC4-C)	<b>6,391</b>	<b>6,391</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>0</b>	92	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	EU waters of IV (LIN/04)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>2,428</b>	-	2,428	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	EC and internat. waters of V (LIN/05)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>33</b>	-	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)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>7.824</b>	-	8.024	-2,5%	Comm prop was - 26% changed to - 2.5%
<i>Molva molva</i>	Ling	Norwegian waters of IV (LIN/04-N)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>850</b>	-	850	0%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VIIIc, IX & X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (LEZ/8C3411)	<b>&lt;960</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>+41%</b>	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)	<b>1,845</b>	<b>1,845</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>3,387</b>	<b>3,387</b>	<b>0</b>	3,387	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VII (LEZ/07)	<b>20,100</b>	<b>13,725</b>	<b>0</b>	18,300	-25%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Megrims	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIIc, VIIIe (LEZ/8ABDE)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1,716</b>	-	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)	<b>22,480</b>	<b>21,929</b>	<b>-2%</b>	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)	<b>14,100</b>	<b>14,091</b>	<b>0</b>	13,681	3%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	VII (NEP/07)	<b>Not available for whole area</b>	<b>21,759</b>	-	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)	<b>&lt;3,400</b>	<b>3,899</b>	<b>+14%</b>	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)	<b>No TAC adv</b>	<b>82</b>	-	91	-10%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	IX, X, EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (NEP/9/3411)	<b>&lt;400</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>-31%</b>	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)	<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>0</b>	5,170	16%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norway lobster	Norwegian waters of IV (NEP/4AB-N)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1,200</b>	-	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)	<b>Combined TAC 586,000 to 639,000 under management plan</b>	<b>19,855</b>	<b>NA</b>	20,002	<b>NA</b>	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)		<b>259,129</b>		325,245		
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Mackerel	VIIIc, IX, X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (MAC/8C3411)		<b>29,651</b>		37,139		
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Mackerel	Norwegian waters of IIa and IVa (MAC/xxxx)		<b>10,176</b>		13,018		
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VI; EU and internat. waters of Vb, internat. waters of XII and XIV (PLE/56-14)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>693</b>	-	693	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VIIa (PLE/07A)	<b>1,630</b>	<b>1,627</b>	<b>0</b>	1,627	0%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to 0%
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VII b, c (PLE/07BC)	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>0</b>	78	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

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<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Plaice	VII d, e (PLE/07DE)	<b>4,665</b>	<b>5,062</b>	<b>+8%</b>	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)	<b>410</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>+10%</b>	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)	<b>&lt;218</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>-19%</b>	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)	<b>395</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>84,410</b>	<b>79,201</b>	<b>-6%</b>	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)	<b>397</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>0</b>	397	0%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to 0%
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	VII (POL/07)	<b>13,495</b>	<b>13,495</b>	<b>0</b>	13,495	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%

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<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	VIII a, b, d, e (POL/8ABDE)	<b>1,482</b>	<b>1,482</b>	<b>0</b>	1,482	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Pollack	VIIIc (POL/08C)	<b>231</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>282</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>3,343</b>	-	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)	<b>87,550</b>	<b>46,484</b>	<b>-52%</b>	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)			<b>-4%</b>	9,682	-19%	
<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Saithe	Norwegian waters south of 62° N (POK/04-N)	<b>N/A</b>		-	880	0%	
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of IIa and IV (SRX/2AC4-C)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1,186</b>	-	1,397	-15%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of IIIa (SRX/03A-C)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>58</b>	-	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)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>9,915</b>	-	11,379	-13%	Comm prop was - 25% changed to - 13%
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of VIIId (SRX/07D)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>887</b>	-	887	0%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to 0%
<i>Rajidae</i>	Skates and rays	EU waters of VIII et IX (SRX/89-C)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>4,222</b>	-	4,640	-9%	Comm prop was - 2% changed to - 9%
<i>Psetta maxima &amp; Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Turbot and brill	EU waters of IIa and IV (T/B/2AC4-C)	<b>4,642</b>	<b>4,642</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>307</b>	-	323	-5%	Comm prop was - 15% changed to - 5%
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	VIIa (WHG/07A)	<b>Lowest possible</b>	<b>89</b>	-	118	-25%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	VIIb-h, and VIIj-k (WHG/7X7A-C)	<b>16,658</b>	<b>19,053</b>	<b>+14%</b>	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)	<b>3,175</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>0</b>	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)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>To be agreed</b>	-	To be established		As per Comm proposal
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	IIIa (WHG/03A)	<b>&lt;1,050</b>	<b>1,031</b>	<b>0</b>	1,031	0%	As per Comm proposal
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Whiting	IV; EU waters of IIa (WHG/2AC4)	<b>Management plan= 21,300 (human consumption)</b>	<b>15,750</b>	<b>-35%</b>	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