Table 1. Catch and stock indicators until the end of August in the 2016 Fishing Period and in 2015. Assessment data compares standardised values over the last 6 months to the same 6 months a year ago.

Area	Assessment data		2016 fishing period				2015	Comment
Northern point	Catch rate	Mean size	Catch (t)	Catch if 130 t	Target	Target <u>+</u> 15%	Catch (t)	
01-07 Tweed A-R			1.6	2.1				Catch rate stable and mean size larger compared to same time last year, with catch below target.
Total SMU 1			1.6 t	2.1 t	11.5 t	10-13	5.2 t	
07 Tuross S			0.6	0.8	0.5		1.4	Catch rate variable and mean size larger compared to same time last year, with catch above target. Catch increased at Narooma, behind target at Bermagui, and ahead of target south of Bunga.
08 Narooma T	+1%	+4%	5.2	7.1	4.0		1.3	
09 Bermagui U1-3	+4%	+2%	3.1	4.3	7.8		6.6	
10 Bunga U4-V2	+10%	+3%	8.6	11.8	10.0		11.7	
11 Moon Bay V3-W1	-1%	+1%	8.5	11.7	9.0		8.7	
12 Turingal W2-X1	+11%	+4%	6.6	9.1	8.5		6.2	
13 Long Beach X2	-6%	+4%	4.4	6	5.0		5.0	
Total SMU 2			37.0 t	50.8 t	44.8 t	38-52	40.9 t	
14 Eden Y11-21	-9%	+2%	7.3				10.8	
15 Saltwater Y22-23	+7%	+2%	7.0				10.0	Catch rate variable and mean size larger on Green Cape but not Disaster Bay, compared to same time last year, with catch on target.
16 Bittangabee Y24	-16%	+2%	7.4				12.1	
17 Greencape Y31	-5%	-1%	7.1				10.5	
18 City Rock Y32	-1%	0%	3.8				6.1	
Total SMU 3			32.6 t	44.7 t	48.3 t	41-56	49.4 t	
								Catch rate lower event on Care Howe and moon
19 Wonboyn Z1-3	-13%	-1%	4.0				10.4	Catch rate lower, except on Cape Howe, and mean size larger compared to same time last year, with
20 Saltlake Z4	-25%	+9%	7.3				10.6	catch slightly below target.
21 Howe Z5	+7%	+7%	12.2				12.7	
Total SMU 4			23.6 t	32.3 t	32 t	27-37	33.8 t	
Total			94.7 t	130 t				