

Table 1. Catch and stock indicators until the end of December 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 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|--|
| | Catch rate | Mean size | Catch (t) | Target | Target \pm 15% | | |
| Northern point | | | | | | Catch (t) | |
| 01-07 Tweed A-R | | | 2.3 | 11.5 | | 5.2 | Catch rate down, and mean size larger, compared to same time last year, with catch well below target. |
| Total SMU 1 | | | 2.3 t | 11.5 t | 10-13 | 5.2 t | |
| 07 Tuross S | | | 0.9 | 0.5 | | 1.4 | Catch rate variable but stable across SMU, and mean size larger particularly in south, compared to same time last year, with catch above target. Catch increased at Narooma, behind target at Bermagui, and ahead of target north of Tathra. |
| 08 Narooma T | | | 5.4 | 4.0 | | 1.3 | |
| 09 Bermagui U1-3 | +12% | 0% | 4.1 | 7.8 | | 6.6 | |
| 10 Bunga U4-V2 | -9% | 0% | 11.5 | 10.0 | | 11.7 | |
| 11 Moon Bay V3-W1 | -1% | +1% | 12.2 | 9.0 | | 8.7 | |
| 12 Turlingal W2-X1 | +7% | +2% | 7.8 | 8.5 | | 6.2 | |
| 13 Long Beach X2 | -3% | +5% | 5.2 | 5.0 | | 5.0 | |
| Total SMU 2 | | | 47.1 t | 44.8 t | 38-52 | 40.9 t | |
| 14 Eden Y11-21 | -15% | +1% | 9.6 | 12.0 | | 10.8 | Catch rate variable but stable across SMU, and mean size larger north of Green Cape but not Disaster Bay, compared to same time last year, with catch below target. |
| 15 Saltwater Y22-23 | -1% | +2% | 9.5 | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| 16 Bittangabee Y24 | -16% | +2% | 9.1 | 10.0 | | 12.1 | |
| 17 Greencape Y31 | +5% | 0% | 10.8 | 10.3 | | 10.5 | |
| 18 City Rock Y32 | -8% | 1% | 6.7 | 6.0 | | 6.1 | |
| Total SMU 3 | | | 45.7 t | 48.3 t | 41-56 | 49.4 t | |
| 19 Wonboyn Z1-3 | -20% | -2% | 6.5 | 7.0 | | 10.4 | Catch rate lower, except on Cape Howe, and mean size larger on Saltlake and Howe compared to same time last year, with catch on target. |
| 20 Saltlake Z4 | -29% | +2% | 9.4 | 9.0 | | 10.6 | |
| 21 Howe Z5 | 0% | +6% | 18.5 | 16.0 | | 12.7 | |
| Total SMU 4 | | | 34.3 t | 32 t | 27-37 | 33.8 t | |
| Total | | | 129.3 t | | | | |