






Gillnet, Hook and Trap Sectors

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Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery Commonwealth Hook Sector and Gillnet Sector



-  Commonwealth Scalefish Hook Sector
-  Commonwealth Gillnet Sector & Shark Hook Sector
-  Land and Coastline
-  Limit of Coastal Waters (3 nautical miles)
-  Limit of Australian Fishing Zone (200 nautical miles)

Whilst the total area of the Scalefish Hook, Shark Hook, Gillnet, Tasmanian Rock Lobster, South Australian Coastal Waters and Tasmanian Coastal Waters Sectors (GHT Sectors) is large, operators are limited to specific areas based on historical fishing methods, as specified on their fishing permits. For more information please refer to the [Guide to the 2008 SESSF Management Arrangements](#) Booklet.

FISHING ZONE: The GHT Sectors were created by merging the previously separately managed South East Non-trawl and Southern Shark Fisheries into a single fishery. This approach was triggered by the determination of the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery (SESSF) Management Plan (the SESS Management Plan) which sets the foundations for the granting of Statutory Fishing Rights (SFRs). The Gillnet, Hook and Trap Fishery is now a sector of the SESSF managed under the SESSF Management Plan 2003

SPECIES: 30 species / species groups are subject to quota management arrangements in the SESSF (although not all of these can be caught by methods other than trawling) through the setting of Total Allowable Catch (TAC) limits. Twenty (20) of these species will be managed under type N Quota Statutory Fishing Rights (SFRs) in 2005. The four shark species and six additional species will be managed through Individual Transferable Quotas (ITQs).

CONCESSIONS: Gillnet 62 Shark Hook 13 Scalefish Hook 59 Trap 2

VALUE: \$A 23,500,400 4,926.1 tonnes

MARKETS: Fresh fish supplied to the eastern seaboard and some export components

FISHING METHODS: Scalefish hook, shark hook, [gillnets](#), [fish traps](#), [automatic longlines](#) (depending on the specific SFR or fishing permit)

CURRENT STATUS: [Gummy Shark *Mustelus*](#) is not overfished, [Sawshark *Pristiophorus*](#) and [Elephantfish *Callorhinchus milii*](#) is uncertain, [School Shark *Galeorhinus galeus*](#) is overfished SESSRAG produces an annual Fishery Assessment Report (FAR) summarising available information for the entire SESS Fishery.