



Northern shortfin squid

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Northern shortfin squid are distributed in Subareas 3 + 4 and managed as one stock. Bycatch primarily occurs in the silver hake bottom trawl fishery.

Subareas 3 + 4

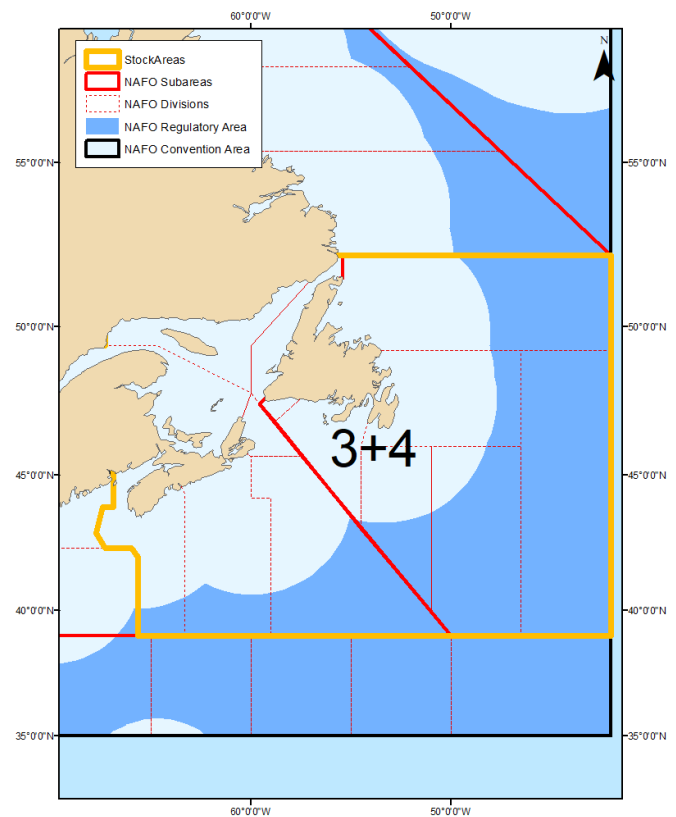
Fishery status

Since 1999, there has been no directed fishery in Subarea 4, and there have been no catches in Subarea 3 since 2013. The TAC is set at 34 000 tonnes for 2022.

Recent assessments

Recent biomass indices for both Divs. 3NO and Div. 3M EU summer surveys were near the lowest levels of their respective time series, suggesting that the stock has returned to a low productivity state.

Fishing may not occur from 1 January to 30 June in Subareas 3 +4 in accordance with Article 11, NAFO CEM.



The orange frames indicate Subareas 3 + 4 Northern shortfin squid (SQI) management areas.

Detailed stock advice can be found at:

www.nafo.int/Science/Stocks-Advice

Next full assessment:

SA 3 + 4

2025

Total allowable catch (TAC):

34 000