

TABLE 5.—PRELIMINARY 1996 PROHIBITED SPECIES BYCATCH ALLOWANCES FOR THE BSAI TRAWL AND NONTRAWL FISHERIES—Continued

Trawl fisheries	Zone 1	Zone 2	BSAI-wide
rockfish			110
Pacific cod			1,590
plck/Atka/other			555
Total			3,775
Pacific herring, mt:			
midwater pollock			1,345
yellowfin sole			315
rcksol/oth.flat			0
turb/arrow/sabl			0
rockfish			8
Pacific cod			24
plck/Atka/other ³			169
Total			1,861
Nontrawl fisheries:			
Pacific halibut, mortality (mt)			725
Pacific cod Hook-and-line			175
Other nontrawl:			
Sablefish hook-and-line gear			4
Groundfish pot gear			4
Groundfish jig gear			4
Total			900

¹ Greenland turbot, arrowtooth flounder, and sablefish fishery category.² Pollock, Atka mackerel, and "other species" fishery category.³ Pollock other than midwater pollock, Atka mackerel, and "other species" fishery category.⁴ Exempt.

At its September 1995 meeting, the Council recommended that the proposed halibut bycatch allowances listed in Table 5 be apportioned seasonally as shown in Table 6. The prohibited species bycatch allowances and the seasonal apportionment of those allowances will be subject to change at

the December 1995 Council meeting, pending public comments, year-to-date information on bycatch performance and updated information on anticipated fishing patterns in 1996.

For purposes of monitoring the fishery halibut bycatch mortality allowances specified in Table 6, the Regional Director will use observed

halibut bycatch rates and reported and observed groundfish catch to project when a fishery's halibut bycatch mortality allowance is reached. The Regional Director monitors the fishery bycatch mortality allowances using assumed mortality rates that are based on the best information available.

TABLE 6.—PROPOSED SEASONAL APPORTIONMENTS OF THE 1996 PACIFIC HALIBUT BYCATCH ALLOWANCES FOR THE BSAI TRAWL AND NONTRAWL FISHERIES

	Seasonal bycatch allowances (mt halibut)
Fishery Trawl Gear:	
Yellowfin sole:	
Jan. 20–Jul. 31	295
Aug. 1–Dec. 31	495
Total	790
Rock sole/flathead sole/"other flatfish":	
Jan. 20–Mar. 31	453
Apr. 1–Jun. 30	190
Jul. 1–Dec. 31	87
Total	730
Turbot/arrowtooth flounder/sablefish:	
Total	0
Rockfish:	
Jan. 20–Mar. 31	30
Apr. 1–Jun. 30	60
Jul. 1–Dec. 31	20
Total	110