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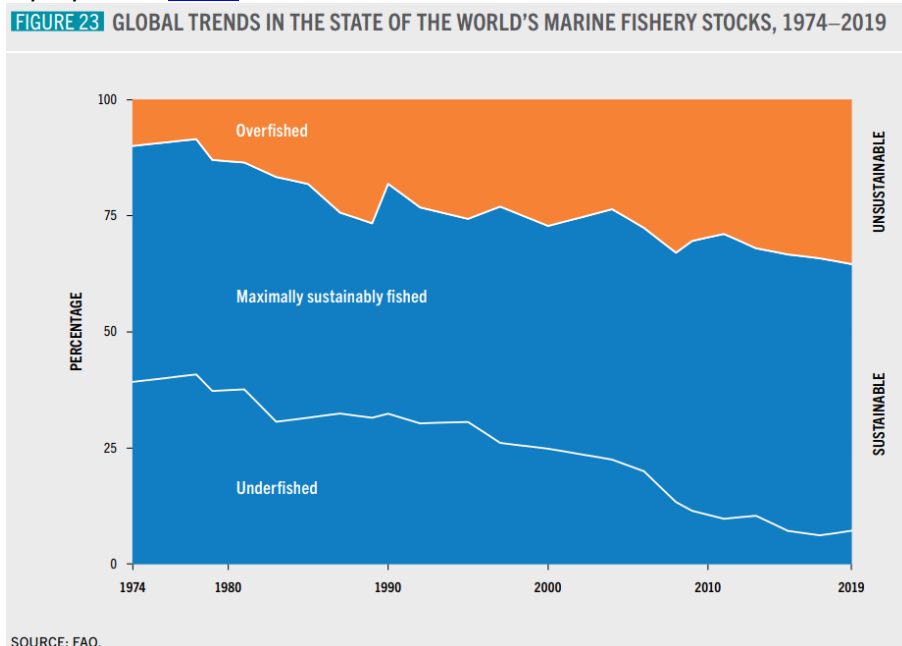
Data on the status of aquatic species and their enabling social-environmental can be sourced from many organizations, including the FAO, the specialized agency of the UN that is a global repository of technical knowledge and expertise on fisheries and aquaculture, and has the technical capacity and mandate to address global fisheries and aquaculture issues. FAO is also the leading source of fisheries and aquaculture statistics (FishStat).

Below are some links to a range of FAO and related data sources that could be of value:

FAO FishStat global statistics on production (capture, aquaculture, total), processed production of aquatic products, trade of aquatic products, apparent consumption of aquatic products, employment and fleet.

- [FishStat](#) with data and information also accessible directly through:
 - o [FishStat collections](#)
 - o [FAO Yearbook of Fishery and Aquaculture Statistics](#)
 - o [ASFIS list of species for fishery statistics purposes](#)

Work in creating the global State of Stocks index (SOSi) is the responsibility of the FAO Fisheries Assessment Team. This index is being upgraded, with the Team supporting countries in upgrading their data sets and capacity to run stock assessments. This work that populates this figure that is published every 2 years in [SOFIA](#):



- Contact Kim FRIEDMAN (Kim.Friedman@fao.org) to connect with this fisheries assessment Team at FAO HQ.

A compendium of shark and ray management control information

- [FAO shark measures database](#)

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FAO species identification materials, that also includes advice on fishing practices:

- [FishFinder](#)

Regional Fisheries Bodies and Management Organizations (RFBs/RFMOs) are listed here:

- [Regional Fishery Bodies \(RFB\) \(fao.org\)](#)

For the FAO RFMO databases

- GFCM
- [DCRF | General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean - GFCM | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations \(fao.org\)](#)
- IOTC
- [Data and Statistics | IOTC](#)
- RECOFI
 - o RAIS [RAIS - Regional Aquaculture Information System: Home \(raisaquaculture.net\)](#) (but very outdated)
 - o Fisheries Min Data Rep (in development)

For the FAO RFB databases

- WECAFC
 - o [WECAFIS | Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission \(WECAFC\) | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations \(fao.org\)](#) (still in pilot phase)

FAO Partnerships information systems

- Fisheries and Resources Information System (FIRMS) [FIRMS - About FIRMS \(fao.org\)](#) , including: [FIRMS Tuna Atlas \(fao.org\)](#) ; [GRSF - Map Viewer \(d4science.org\)](#)
- Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems database (VMEs) [Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems Database \(fao.org\)](#)
- Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts (ASFA) [Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts \(ASFA\) \(fao.org\)](#)

Regional capture fisheries production data:

- [GFCM](#)
- [CECAF](#)
- [RECOFI](#)
- [SouthEast Atlantic](#)

FAO market and trade information:

- [GLOBEFISH](#)

The FAO gateway to more detailed information on fisheries and aquaculture is <https://www.fao.org/fishery/en/fishinfo> but it should be noted that the resource list above is largely centered on FAO and related resources, while available information and datasets expand exponentially if other regional organizations data depositories (e.g. Pacific Community [SPCs FAME](#)), national data portals (e.g. [Australian Fisheries Data](#)) and subnational data repositories (e.g. [Western Australian Fisheries Report](#)) were also considered.