



COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASONS

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Albacore Tuna ¹												
Alaska Plaice												
Arrowtooth Flounder												
Cod, Atlantic ²												
Cod, Pacific												
Crab, Dungeness												
Crab, King ³												
Crab, Snow ⁴												
Haddock												
Halibut, Atlantic ⁵												
Halibut, Pacific												
Lingcod												
Mackerel, Atka												
Mackerel, Atlantic ⁶												
Mackerel, Pacific ⁷												
Pacific Ocean Perch												
Pangasius												
Pollock												
Rockfish ⁸												

	Open
	High Season
	Farmed

¹ Seasonality is based on North Pacific fisheries

² Seasonality is for the North East Arctic Cod stock - one of the few remaining stocks in good condition. The Northeast US fishery is open year-round and in Canada various openings and closures in specific areas are decided by Conservation Harvesting Plans.

³ Seasonality is dependant on when the ice melts and may last several weeks or just a few days.

⁴ Alaska's Season is mid-fall - February and sometimes extends into Spring; Atlantic Canada's Season is April - November.

⁵ State fisheries are open April 1st - June 30th; Federal fisheries are year-round. Atlantic Halibut fisheries were once overfished and are currently under a rebuilding program. Fisheries are not subject to overfishing today.

⁶ Seasonality in chart is for Canada. The US fishery is open year-round.

⁷ Seasonality is determined locally by regional oceanographic conditions. This chart is based on California state fisheries because it is the state in which most US Pacific Mackerel is harvested.

⁸ Seasonality is based on Alaskan state fisheries. Rockfish are highly vulnerable to fishing pressure and therefore openings and closures are tightly regulated and may vary year-to-year.





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Sablefish			Farmed									
Saithe	Farmed											
Salmon, Atlantic	Farmed											
Salmon, Chinook	Winter Season					Summer Season			Winter Season			
Salmon, Chum							Farmed					
Salmon, Coho						Farmed			High Season			
Salmon, Pink						Farmed						
Salmon, Sockeye					Farmed		High Season		Farmed			
Scallop, Bay ⁹	Farmed											
Scallop, Sea	Farmed					High Season				Farmed		
Shrimp, Black Tiger	Farmed											
Shrimp, Brown						Farmed						
Shrimp, Pink (Coldwater)				Farmed								
Shrimp, Pink (Warmwater)			Farmed							Farmed		
Shrimp, White								Farmed	High Season		Farmed	
Shrimp, Whiteleg	Farmed											
Skate	Best Quality	Farmed					High Season				Farmed	
Steelhead Trout	Farmed											
Sole, Dover ¹⁰	Farmed											
Sole Flathead ¹⁰	Farmed											
Sole, Rex ¹⁰	Farmed											
Sole, Rock ¹⁰	Farmed	High Season		Farmed								
Sole, Yellowfin ¹⁰	Farmed				High Season				Farmed			

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⁹ Wild fisheries also exist - for which seasonality varies by region.
¹⁰ Seasonality is based on Alaska state fisheries for which some are directed, while others are bycatch.





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Squid, <i>Illex argentinus</i>	Open											
Squid, <i>Illex illecebrosus</i>						Open	High Season	Open				
Squid, <i>Loligo opalescens</i>	Open				High Season			Open				
Tilapia	Farmed											
Turbot ¹¹	Farmed											

	Open
	High Season
	Farmed

¹¹ Wild-caught Turbot is also available - for which seasonality varies by country and fishery.

