

PRIMARY PRODUCTION COMMITTEE

Questions 212 – 219

2021/22 post-hearing questions

**VOTE AGRICULTURE, BIOSECURITY,
FISHERIES, AND FOOD SAFETY**

(Fisheries Appropriations)

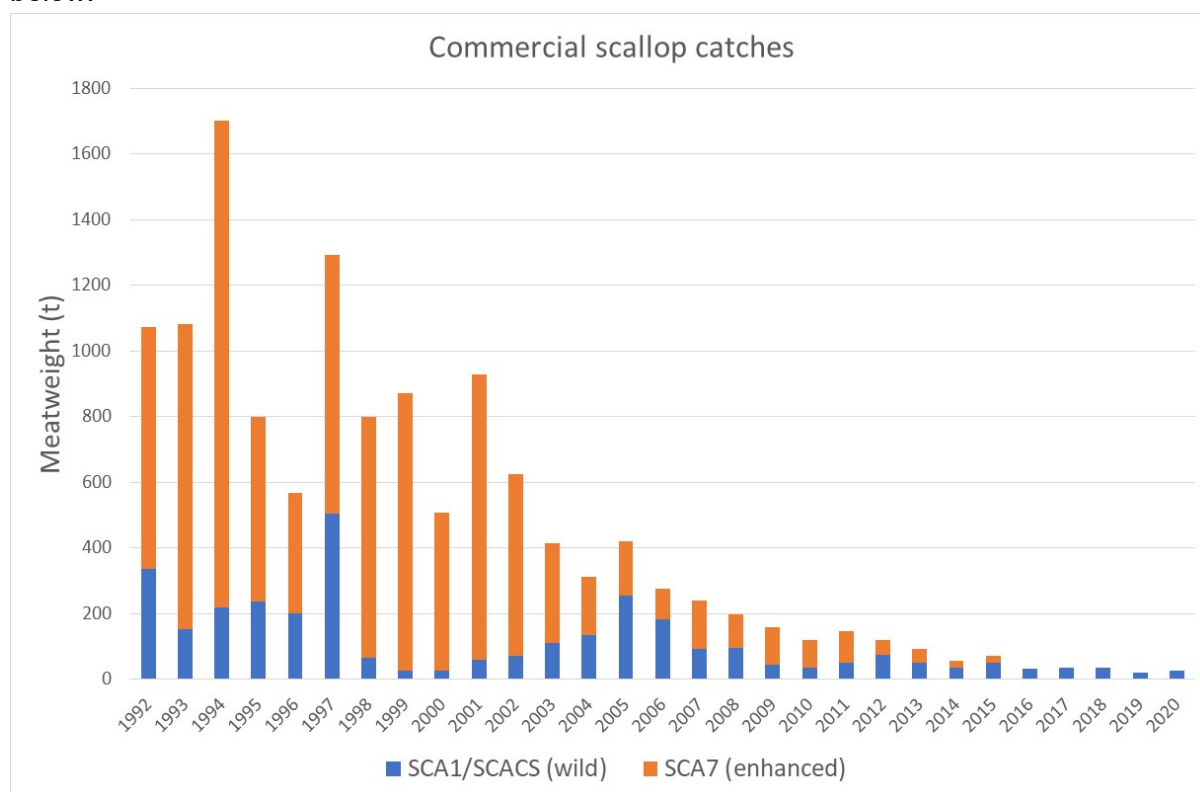
Q212 How many new fish stocks have 28N rights in place, and what volume?

There are 35 fish stocks with 28N rights. The total volume of the rights is 2,495.5 t.

Fishstock Description	Fishstock Code	Total preferential rights (kgs)
Alfonsino 3, 4, 5 & 6 Combined	BYX3	200
Alfonsino Central (East)	BYX2	18370
Barracouta Auckland (East)	BAR1	79100
Blue Cod Challenger	BCO7	1600
Blue Cod Chatham Rise	BCO4	600
Blue Moki Auckland (East)	MOK1	1800
Blue Warehou Central (East)	WAR2	5500
Blue Warehou South East (Coast)	WAR3	82600
Bluenose Central (East)	BNS2	93
Gemfish Central (East)	SKI2	46800
Gemfish Challenger	SKI7	43200
Grey Mullet Auckland (East) & (West) combined	GMU1	6500
Gurnard Auckland (East)	GUR1	63850
Hapuku & Bass 1 & 9 Combined	HPB1	1100
Hapuku & Bass Central (East)	HPB2	30200
Hapuku & Bass Challenger	HPB7	1300
Hapuku & Bass South East (Coast)	HPB3	41300
John Dory Auckland (East)	JDO1	6300
Ling Central (East)	LIN2	7100
Paua Challenger (Nelson/Marlborough)	PAU7	8830
Paua Fiordland	PAU5A	157
Paua South-East (Chatham Rise)	PAU4	19726
Paua Southland and Otago	PAU5D	156
Paua Stewart Island	PAU5B	157
Red Cod South East (Coast)	RCO3	135700
Rig South East (Coast)	SPO3	1000
School Shark Auckland (East)	SCH1	12465
School Shark Central (East)	SCH2	2000
Snapper Auckland (East)	SNA1	458935
Snapper Central (Egmont)	SNA8	932400
Stargazer Central (East)	STA2	500
Stargazer South East (Coast)	STA3	2900
Tarakihi Central (East)	TAR2	1915
Trevally Auckland (East)	TRE1	272500
Trevally Challenger	TRE7	208400

Q213 *Graph of scallop fishery trends mentioned by the Minister.*

Commercial catches for the two North Island wild scallop fisheries (SCA1- Northland and SCACS - Coromandel) and for the enhanced Southern Scallop fishery (SCA7) are provided below.



Q214 *What are the step targets for success for the aquaculture strategy and how will they be assessed?*

The Aquaculture Strategy includes four measures of success, being increased sector value (\$3 billion by 2035 and the Fit for a Better World Roadmap sets out an aspiration to bring this forward), increased regional jobs (6,000+ by 2035), reduced emissions and waste, and reduced adverse environmental impacts. No step targets have been established for these measures. Progress on growth measures will, however, not be linear over the course of the strategy, but follow the delivery of significant growth enabling initiatives, such as the Ōpōtiki harbour development or the establishment of the first open ocean salmon farms.

Each calendar year an annual Implementation Plan for the strategy is published that includes reporting on progress in delivering the strategy. The 2022 implementation plan will include reporting on the progress against the four measures of success.

The Committee notes that a business case for rolling out onboard cameras across the inshore fishing fleet is currently under consideration.

Q215 What is the timeline for a decision to be made on the business case?

The Minister for Oceans and Fisheries announced that funding is now in place for the wider roll out of on-board cameras on 17 June. Cabinet agreed the stage one business case and funding proposal on 24 May.

Q216 How are the costs of the roll-out expected to be funded?

It is expected that costs will be shared between the fishing industry and the Crown.

Q217 What are the main risks to rolling out onboard cameras? How are they being mitigated?

The wider rollout of onboard cameras across the commercial fishing fleet will be subject to the standard risks associated with a government procurement process and industry change initiative. These will be managed throughout via a range of mitigations including flexibility in timelines, industry engagement, consultation, and appropriate oversight, quality assurance and governance arrangements.

COVID-19 may impact the wider rollout, given the current challenges posed to international supply chains and overseas providers.

The Committee notes that the Prime Minister's Chief Science Advisor has completed a report into commercial fishing in New Zealand and made several recommendations.

Q218 What is MPI's response to the recommendations?

MPI is preparing advice to inform a Government response to the recommendations in 2021/2022.

Q219 How does MPI plan to address the recommendations? How will it be funded?

MPI is preparing advice to inform a Government response to the recommendations. The development of the response will be funded within current baselines.