

Deepwater Skates and Rays

Observer bycatch data (% of total catch weight):

1. MEC – all DW skates and rays = 0.02%
2. 7A – all DW skates and rays = 0.01%
3. NWR – all DW skates and rays = 0.1%
4. ESR – all DW skates and rays = 0.03%

Anderson (2011) In Appendix 1 provides estimates of discards from the orange roughy fisheries from 1990-91 to 2008-09. Most deepwater skates are discarded. Smooth skate (SSK) is a QMS species and not discarded.