

2016 Atlantic HMS Tournaments Survey



Your response is important!

About this survey:

Recreational fisheries are important to the national economy, with saltwater angler expenditures contributing to \$56 billion in total economic output annually. While billfish tournaments have been surveyed as recently as the 1990s, this survey has never before been conducted for all Atlantic highly migratory species (HMS) tournaments. The responses to this survey will be entered into an economics model that will show how the money spent at HMS tournaments goes into the community sectors, such as restaurants, hotels, tackle and bait shops, marinas, and other businesses. This information is critical for fishery managers to identify potential impacts that regulations may have on fishing communities, and to take measures that protect the economic success of local businesses.

Please take a moment to complete this survey. Thank you for helping NOAA sustainably manage our nation's marine resources.

Ouestions?

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Section A: General Tournament Operations

We would like to know about your highly migratory species (HMS) tournament.

- HMS are tunas, swordfish, sharks, marlins, sailfish, and spearfishes.
- This is a **voluntary** survey. Responses to financial questions will be protected under the Trade Secrets Act.
- This survey should be completed by the **tournament operator** or **designated staff member** for **one tournament only**.

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Section B: Funding Sources

Please tell us about the various revenue sources associated with your tournament operation.

Source	Total Amount for This Tournament
Registration Fees	\$
Optional entry fees/Tournament within a Tournament/ Calcutta (optional)	\$
Sponsors	\$
Concessions	\$
Sale of merchandise	\$
Other:	\$

Section C:	Tournament Expenses
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Please tell us about the various expenses associated with operating your tournament.

1.	Numbe	Number of people employed to work on this event: # # #					
2.	Numbe	mber of volunteers for this event: # # #					
3. Did this tournament benefit any charities? X Yes X No (skip to question 4)							
	3a.	Donations made by the tournament:					
		\$00					
	3b.	Donations made directly by the participants to the charities:					
		\$00					
	3c.	Please list the charities:					
4.		is tournament contribute money to items other than charities (example: educational scholar- Yes X No (skip to the next page)					
	4a.	Other contributions made by the tournament:					
		\$00					
	4b.	Please list the other beneficiaries:					

Section C: Tournament Event Expenses

Please tell us about the various costs associated with operating your tournament, rounding to the nearest dollar.

Type of Expense	Total Amount for This Tournament
Monetary awards and prizes	\$00
Trophies and plaques, etc.	\$00
Site fee / Cost of location Recipient (marina, government, resort, etc.):	\$00
Local licensing and permitting	\$00
Audio and visual equipment (video monitors, speakers, special effects, etc.)	\$00
Event equipment (chairs, tables, tents, etc).	\$00
Event marketing/advertising (TV, internet, print, social media, etc.)	\$00
Catering	\$00
Insurance	\$00
Electricity	\$00
Other utilities:	\$00
Cost of merchandise	\$00
Lodging	\$00
Entertainment	\$00
Security	\$00
Other Labor Costs:	\$00
Other	\$00

If you had none of the above expenses, X here:

Thank You for Completing This Survey!

If you would like information on prior surveys or economic information related to marine recreational angling, please visit our website at http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/st5/RecFishEcon.html.

Please write any additional comments or expenses we may have missed:

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