

NINE OF THE DIRTIEST US FISHERIES

GULF OF ALASKA FLATFISH TRAWL FISHERY

35% DISCARDED

- More than 34 million pounds of fish are thrown overboard in one year, including 2 million pounds of halibut and 5 million pounds of cod

NORTHEAST BOTTOM TRAWL FISHERY

35% DISCARDED

- More than 50 million pounds of fish are thrown overboard every year

NEW ENGLAND & MID-ATLANTIC GILLNET FISHERY

16% DISCARDED

- More than 1,200 endangered sturgeon were captured in one year
- More than 2,000 dolphins, porpoises and seals were captured in one year

MID-ATLANTIC BOTTOM TRAWL FISHERY

33% DISCARDED

- Almost 200 marine mammals and 350 sea turtles were captured or killed in one year

ATLANTIC HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES LONGLINE FISHERY

23% DISCARDED

- More than 75 percent of the wasted fish are highly valuable tuna, swordfish and other billfish

SOUTHEAST SNAPPER-GROUPER LONGLINE FISHERY

66% DISCARDED

- More than 400,000 sharks were captured and discarded in one year

SOUTHEAST SHRIMP TRAWL FISHERY

64% DISCARDED

- Thousands of turtles are killed annually
- For every pound of shrimp landed, 1 pound of finfish is discarded

CALIFORNIA DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY

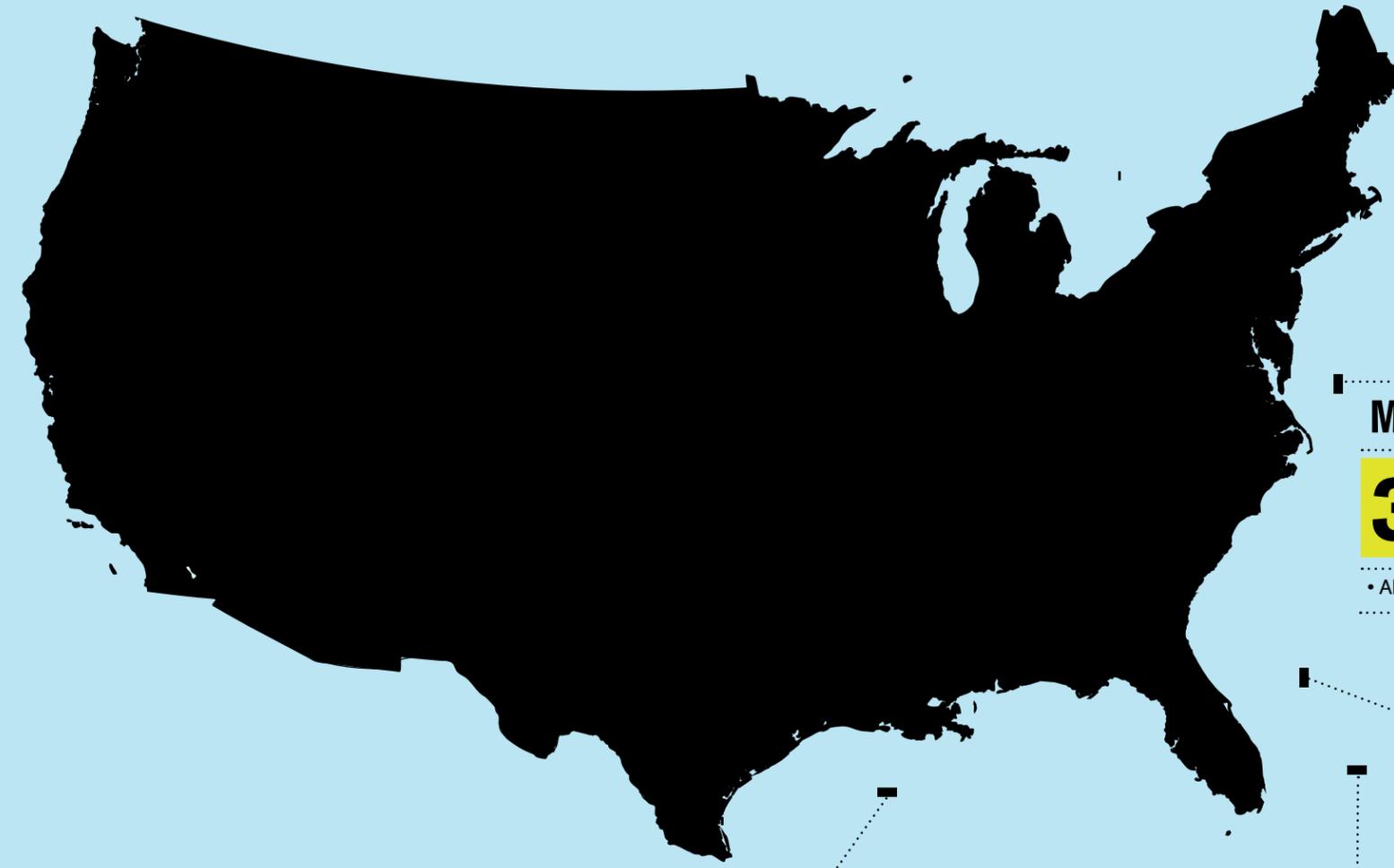
63% DISCARDED

- Almost 550 marine mammals were entangled or killed over five years

CALIFORNIA SET GILLNET FISHERY

65% DISCARDED

- More than 30,000 sharks and rays as well as valuable fish were discarded as waste over three years



Numbers in yellow represent the percent of total catch discarded. Data compiled from the 2014 NMFS National Bycatch Report unless otherwise noted. Bycatch estimates for the two Pacific fisheries were derived from recent observer data. See full report for complete citations.