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The U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) is hosting a

# Virtual Roundtable on IUU Fishing & The New England Fishing Industry

## What is IUU fishing?

- It is fishing that is illegal, unreported, or unregulated.

## What will we talk about?

- **Competition** from imports of both IUU and legal seafood and how it affects your livelihood.
- **Demand** trends for groundfish, scallops, and other New England species in the United States and major export markets.
- **Pricing trends** for New England seafood products including the effects of supply changes on prices.
- **Substitutability** between New England species and imported seafood products.
- **Supply chains** for New England seafood and potential points of vulnerability for entry of imported IUU seafood products in the chain.

**Who are we?** We're an independent U.S. federal government agency that conducts factfinding studies on matters of international trade and U.S. industry competitiveness. For more information visit: [USITC.gov](https://www.usitc.gov).

**What is this about?** The House Ways and Means Committee of the U.S. Congress [requested](#) us to investigate how IUU seafood imports impact the U.S. commercial fishing industry for this [report](#). We're interested in hearing from fishermen, processors, and other stakeholders to get information on commercial fishing in New England and competition with IUU-sourced imports.

**Why should I participate?** All are welcome! Your input will help us understand the dynamics of the U.S. commercial fishing industry and how it may be affected by imports of IUU-sourced seafood! This roundtable lets you give direct feedback and share your knowledge which will improve the quality of the report.

**Will my confidential business information be protected?** Yes. The USITC has procedures in place to protect your information and identity. Any information you provide will be referred to in the report in a generalized way. Please contact us for additional details, or if you would prefer to provide some information in a one-on-one discussion.

**To participate**, please visit the following [link](#) and select "join from your browser." You will be asked to provide your full name and an email address. If you are accessing the videoconference via a Webex application, please copy and paste **199 705 4058** into the box for the Meeting number/access code and **Y7Byi8h6Hu2** for the password.

**If you have any questions, please contact** Daniel Matthews ([daniel.matthews@usitc.gov](mailto:daniel.matthews@usitc.gov)).

