

Bahamas



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Overview

To assist the process of extending the Bahamas National Protected Area System, The Nature Conservancy funded a study to map coral-reef fisheries at a national scale. The key aims of this work were to model and map fishing impact, model and map the current fish standing stock, and assess the potential benefit of conservation and management measures, such as the potential standing stock on a reef following the cessation of fishing.

The maps generated by this project represent the first spatially explicit, continuous maps of fishing impact and current and potential standing stock for The Bahamas. This project provides important data layers for use in the imminent Marxan analysis to identify key locations for new marine reserves.

Fact Sheets and Links

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[Final Report](#)

See mapped results from this project in the [Atlas of Ocean Wealth](#)

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