



20 QUESTIONS ABOUT SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES

Background and invitation

While the importance of small-scale fisheries (SSF) is widely acknowledged, information about this sector is scattered, making it difficult to design policies and management strategies that support them. The project “Too Big To Ignore” (TBTI) aims to rectify this by developing the Information System on Small-scale Fisheries (ISSF), as a web-based, open-access global repository of data about SSF.

We are inviting you to contribute information about SSF by completing the “20 Questions about SSF” (see below). These questions, resulted from more than two years of consultation with international experts, aim to capture key characteristics about SSF. By completing these questions, you are helping SSF around the world increase visibility and gain recognition they deserve.

These questions can be completed by individuals or a group of people knowledgeable and familiar with SSF in any location, at any scale. Estimates based on local and expert knowledge are acceptable, but this should be indicated in the information source(s) at the end of the questionnaire.

You can send the completed questionnaire as an email attachment to toobigtoignore@mun.ca or create a SSF Profile online (<https://issfcloud.toobigtoignore.net/>). Once a profile is created, the information will be publicly available on ISSF but you will be acknowledged as the ‘contributors(s),’ as well as the ‘author(s)’ of the SSF profile in the synthesis report that we will continue to compile.

Please feel free to forward the 20 questions to your networks, including fishing communities and NGOs. If you have any question or comment, please email us at toobigtoignore@mun.ca.

We thank you for your contribution.

TBTI ISSF Team

Contributor(s):

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Affiliation:

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INFORMATION	RESPONSE
(1) Name and type of SSF	A. Name of the fishery: B. SSF type(s): (select ALL that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquaculture <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Subsistence <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous <input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify):
(2) Location, geographic scope and timeframe	A. Location: Geographic scope: (select ONE only) <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> Sub-national <input type="checkbox"/> National <input type="checkbox"/> Regional (multiple countries) <input type="checkbox"/> Global Country(ies): B. Information timeframe: (indicate year associated with the information, or a range of years)

<p>(3) Dominant ecosystems in the location</p>	<p>A. Ecosystem type(s): (select ALL that apply)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Marine <input type="checkbox"/> Freshwater <input type="checkbox"/> Brackish <p>B. Ecosystem detailed type(s): (select ALL that apply)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Archipelago <input type="checkbox"/> Beach <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal <input type="checkbox"/> Coral reef <input type="checkbox"/> Deep sea <input type="checkbox"/> Estuary <input type="checkbox"/> Fjord <input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Intertidal <input type="checkbox"/> Lagoon <input type="checkbox"/> Lake <input type="checkbox"/> Mangrove <input type="checkbox"/> Open ocean <input type="checkbox"/> River <input type="checkbox"/> Salt marsh
<p>(4) SSF term and definition</p>	<p>A. Term(s) used to refer to SSF: (select ALL that apply)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Artisanal <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous <input type="checkbox"/> Inland <input type="checkbox"/> Inshore <input type="checkbox"/> Small boat <input type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input type="checkbox"/> Subsistence <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional <input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify): <p>B. Are small-scale fisheries defined? (select ONE only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not explicitly <p>Provide SSF definition, if applicable:</p>

(5) Main gear type(s)	Select ALL that apply: <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Dredges</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Lift nets</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Cast nets</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Poison/explosives</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Gillnets</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Recreational fishing gears</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Gleaning</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Seine nets</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Harpoons</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Surrounding nets</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Harvesting machines</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Traps</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Hooks and lines</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Trawls</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify):</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>						<input type="checkbox"/> Dredges	<input type="checkbox"/> Lift nets	<input type="checkbox"/> Cast nets	<input type="checkbox"/> Poison/explosives	<input type="checkbox"/> Gillnets	<input type="checkbox"/> Recreational fishing gears	<input type="checkbox"/> Gleaning	<input type="checkbox"/> Seine nets	<input type="checkbox"/> Harpoons	<input type="checkbox"/> Surrounding nets	<input type="checkbox"/> Harvesting machines	<input type="checkbox"/> Traps	<input type="checkbox"/> Hooks and lines	<input type="checkbox"/> Trawls	<input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify):	
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(6) Type(s) and number(s) of vessels <i>(select ALL that apply and provide information for each type)</i>	Main SSF vessel type(s)	# vessels	Ave. length (metres)	Typical engine size (HP)	# crew	# days fishing /year																
	<input type="checkbox"/> Raft <input type="checkbox"/> Canoe <input type="checkbox"/> Outrigger <input type="checkbox"/> Dory <input type="checkbox"/> Piroque <input type="checkbox"/> Wooden <input type="checkbox"/> Fiberglass <input type="checkbox"/> Row boat <input type="checkbox"/> Sail boat <input type="checkbox"/> Decked <input type="checkbox"/> Undecked <input type="checkbox"/> Other:																					
(7) Number of SS fishers	A. Total number of SS fishers		=																			
	B. % of full-time		=																			
	C. % of fisher women		=																			
(8) Number of all households and SS fishing households in the location	A. Total number of households in the location		=																			
	B. % of households participating in SSF		=																			

<p>(13) SSF market and distribution channel(s)</p>	<p>A. % of catch retained for household consumption and given to family/friends</p> <p>B. % of catch sold in local markets</p> <p>C. % of catch sold to outside markets</p> <p>D. % of catch going to non food uses</p> <p>E. % of catch going to other or unknown uses</p> <p>TOTAL</p>	<p>=</p> <p>=</p> <p>=</p> <p>=</p> <p>=</p> <p>100%</p>
<p>(14) Number of years SSF have existed in this location</p>	<p>Select ONE only:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Less than 10 years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 10 to 30 years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 31 to 50 years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 51 to 100 years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More than 100 years</p>	
<p>(15) SS fishers' status in the society and whether fishing is an occupation of the last resort</p>	<p>A. SS fishers are: (Select ONE only)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Highly recognized for their contributions to the society</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Moderately recognized for the contributions to the society</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poorly or not at all recognized for their contributions to the society</p> <p>B. Fishing is considered by SS fishers as an occupation of the last resort: (Select ONE only)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>	
<p>(16) Governance mode(s) in SSF</p>	<p>Select ALL that apply:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Co-management/co-governance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Community-based management</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Self governance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Top-down/Hierarchical governance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify):</p>	

<p>(17) Property and access rights held by SS fishers</p>	<p>A. Property rights held by SS fishers: (select ONE only)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Individual</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Collective/communal</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>B. Access held by SS fishers: (select ONE only)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Secured</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not secured</p>		
<p>(18) Key rules, regulations, instruments and measures used to manage SSF</p>	<p>Select ALL that apply:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> License/permit</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Buy-back</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Catch limit</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal closure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Area closure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Gear restriction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vessel restriction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fishing effort restriction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Community-based rights</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marine protected areas</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Quota allocation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Taxes and resource rental charges</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Territorial user rights</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Transferable quotas</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify):</p>		
<p>(19) Relevant organization(s) involved in SSF governance in the location</p>	<p><u>Name</u></p>	<p><u>Type</u> (e.g. State/gov. department, market organization, fishers local action group, co-op/society, etc.)</p>	<p><u>Geographic scale</u> (e.g. local, sub-national, national, regional, global)</p>

<p>(20) Major concerns/issues affecting SSF (which make them vulnerable or threaten their viability)</p>	<p>Select ALL that apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ecosystem health (resource/environmental degradation, bycatch, destructive fishing practices, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Social justice (access, rights, fairness, equity, displacement, power, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Livelihoods (viability, wellbeing, health, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Food security (availability, accessibility, safety, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Markets (access, price, monopoly, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Climate/environmental changes <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based pollution, coastal erosion <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean grabbing, privatization schemes <input type="checkbox"/> Poor governance (lack of accountability, transparency, rules of law, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Stakeholder conflicts (between different resource users and interest groups, including conservation and tourism) <input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify): 		

Information Source(s):

Other Comments: