



## Fisheries Stock Assessments: Learn The Basics

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DURHAM, N.H. -- How do scientists assess the health and status of fish stocks? Get the inside scoop at NH Sea Grant's Fisheries Stock Assessment Workshop, Wednesday, May 24, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Urban Forestry Center in Portsmouth. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Andrew Cooper, University of New Hampshire research assistant professor of natural resources, will discuss the types of information that fisheries scientists collect and the ways that information is used to construct fisheries models and develop management strategies. Cooper is the author of *A Guide to Fisheries Stock Assessment: From Data to Recommendations*. Published by NH Sea Grant and the Northeast Consortium, the guide is designed to clarify the stock assessment process for fishermen, regulators, journalists and others interested in the fishing industry. Free copies will be available for workshop participants.

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