

# **Spearfishing New Zealand**

**Amateur Advocacy and Representation in New Zealand**



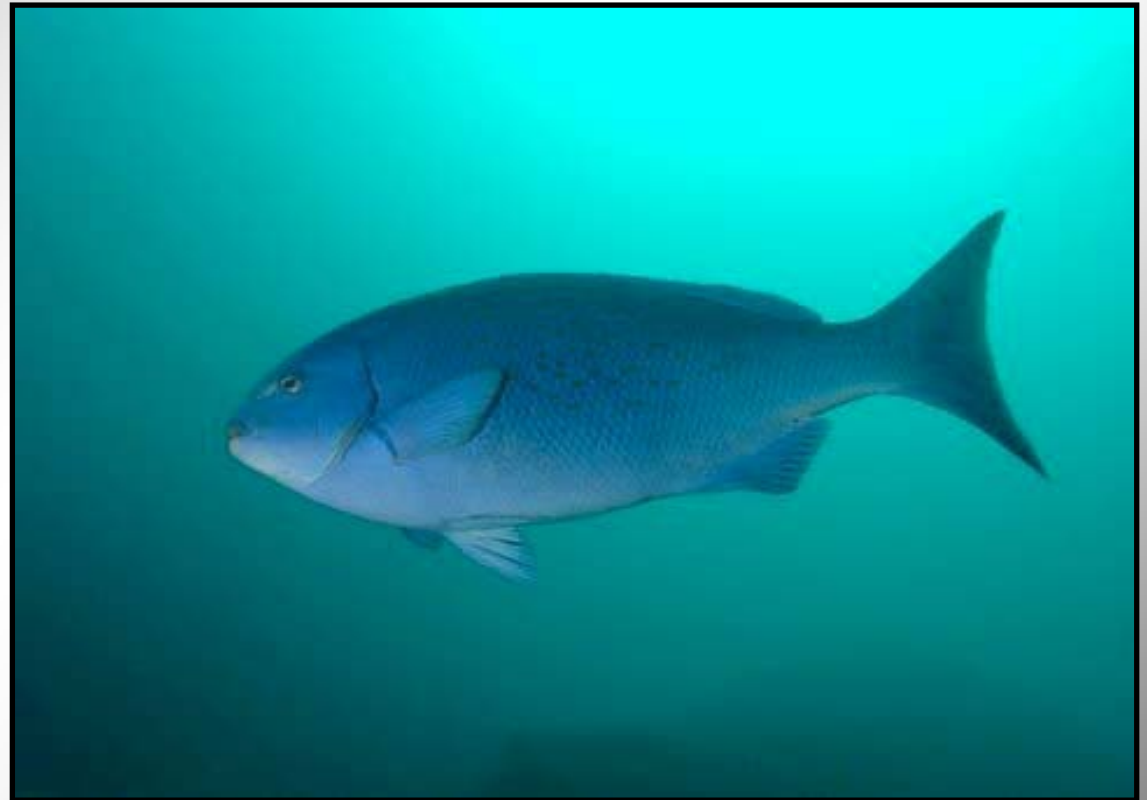
**Bob Rosemergy - Chairman Spearfishing NZ**

# Diminishing numbers....



**Kahawai**

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**Blue Fish**

# Spearfishers concerns & issues

- ❑ The increasing competition for space amongst recreational fishers
- ❑ Issues around our perceived responsibility as spearfishers to fish selectively and sustainably
- ❑ Concerns over the way fish stocks are managed.



*Note: these are not in any particular order.*

# New Zealand Census Figures<sup>1</sup>

<b>Region</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>+ or -</b>
Northland (Far North, Whangarei, Kaipara)	137,052	148,440	+ <b>11,388</b>
Auckland (Rodney to Franklin)	1,081,878	1,319,352	+ <b>237,474</b>
Thames/Coromandel	24819	25914	<b>1,095</b>
Bay of Plenty (Tauranga, Whakatane)	110,961	136,935	+ <b>25,974</b>
Gisborne	45,780	44,460	- <b>1,320</b>
Taranaki (New Plymouth, South Taranaki)	97,245	95,385	- <b>1,860</b>
Manawatu (Wanganui, Rangitikei)	61,398	57,348	- <b>4,050</b>
Wellington (Kapiti, Porirua, L Hutt, Wgton)	338,802	371,913	+ <b>33,111</b>
Nelson City	40,239	42,891	+ <b>2,252</b>
Marlborough	38,397	42,549	+ <b>4,152</b>
Dunedin	118,143	118,683	+ <b>540</b>
Invercargill City	53,208	50,328	- <b>2,880</b>
Southland District (Milford to Stewart Is.)	30,561	28,440	- <b>2,121</b>



<sup>1</sup> Figures provided by Statistics NZ

# Increasing Recreational Access

**Unoccupied Dwellings includes holiday homes 2006 (figures rounded)<sup>1</sup>**



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# Ministry of Fisheries Quote

“In NZ, 80% of the recreational catch is taken by 80% of the fishermen from Auckland, north.”

