### What Do We Mean by Human Dimension Indicators?

U. Rashid Sumaila

Fisheries Economics Research Unit Sea Around Us project UBC Fisheries Centre

r.sumaila@fisheries.ubc.ca





PICES (WOA) Workshop, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA June 13-15, 2013

#### **Health indicators**

- They are quantifiable characteristics of a population, which are used as supporting evidence for describing the health of a population;
- Examples:
  - life expectancy; body temperature, blood pressure; BMI.
- Health indicators are often used by governments to guide health care policy.

#### **Economic indicators**

- They are measures that allow analysis of economic performance and predictions of future performance;
- Examples:
  - Unemployment rate;
  - Housing starts;
  - Consumer Price Index (a measure for inflation);
  - Gross Domestic Product;
  - Stock market prices.

#### **Social indicators**

- Social indicators are quantitative measures that describe the well-being of individuals or communities and are used worldwide to describe social phenomena over time;
- Indicators combine variables of interest and are used to evaluate well-being in terms of social, economic and psychological welfare
- Examples:
  - Human development index;
  - Social vulnerability index.

#### **Human dimensions**

- Examine how the 'science of human systems' can aid in natural resource management;
- Studies the "people" side of fishing and other uses of marine ecosystems;
- It complements biophysical studies by exploring economic, social and cultural benefits and values associated with marine resources.

#### **Human dimensions indicators**

- They have to be quantifiable;
- Should describe a characteristics of human systems and how these relate to the natural systems;
- They should portray past and current community engagement with natural systems, and contain basic information on the social and economic characteristics of these communities.

#### Indicators of human use of the ocean

- Catches (FAO, Watson et al., 2004);
- Fishing effort (Watson et al., 2012);
- Ex-vessel fish prices (Sumaila et al., 2007; Swartz et al., 2012);
- Fishing cost (Lam et al., 2011);
- Fisheries subsidies (Sumaila et al., 2010);
- Fisheries jobs (Teh & Sumaila; 2011);
- Recreational fisheries (Cisneros & Sumaila, 2010);
- Added value multiplier effects (Dyck & Sumaila; 2010).

#### **Global catch and effort**



\*Effective effort indexed on 2000 based on average 2.42% increase annually

#### **Global catch and effort**



\*Effective effort indexed on 2000 based on average 2.42% increase annually

#### Northern vs Southern hemisphere LV 1950s



Sumaila et al. (2007) & Swartz et al. (2012)

#### Northern vrs Southern hemisphere LV 1980s



Sumaila et al. (2007) & Swartz et al. (2012)

# Northern vrs Southern hemisphere LV 2000s



Sumaila et al. (2007) & Swartz et al. (2012)

## Average cost of fishing (USD per t.) Lam et al. (2011)

Types of fishing costs	GOEP study (*based on the average of RAW data for 2003)	'Sunken Billions' study¹ (2004)		
Variable cost				
Fuel	222	263		
Running cost	311	407		
Repair cost	130			
Labour cost	462	265		
Total variable costs	1,125	935		
Fixed cost				
Depreciation	151	63		
Interest	101	60		
Other Fixed costs	196	-		
Total fixed costs	448	123		
Total Cost	1,573	1,057		

<sup>1</sup> World Bank and FAO, 2009. The sunken billions – the economic justification for fisheries reform.



Sumaila et al. (2010)

#### IUU fishing incidence



#### Number of incriminated vessels fishing illegally between 1980 and 2003

Sumaila et al. (2006)

# Costs and benefit aspects of risks inherent in IUU activity

Arresting Country	Fishery	Expected Revenue (USD)	Expected Penalty (USD)	Total Cost (USD)	Total Cost / Expected revenue
Australia	Patagonian toothfish	504 000	87 000	526 091	1.04
Japan	Crab	38 256	1 483	31 131	0.81
Mexico	Shrimp	22 060	1 091	16 428	0.74
Russia	Alaska pollack	8 818	234	4 539	0.51
Mauritius	Patagonian toothfish	352 000	480 000	786 667	2.23

Sumaila et al. (2006)

### Added value – multiplier effects

Dyck & Sumaila (2010)

#### Fish as base for many activities



# Economic impact of world fisheries output

	Landed Value (\$ billions)	Economic Impact (\$ billions)	Average Multiplier
Africa	2	5	2.59
Asia	50	133	2.67
Europe	11	36	3.12
Lat. America	7	15	2.05
N. America	8	29	3.52
Oceania	5	17	3.27
World Total	84	235	2.8

Dyck & Sumaila (2010)

#### Fisheries jobs (in thousands) (Teh & Sumaila, 2011)

<u>Region</u>	<u>Direct</u>	Indirect	<u>Total employment</u>
EU	800 ± 71	1,700 ± 160	2,500 ± 230
Asia		190,000 ±	
	40,000 ± 3,100	15,000	230,000 ± 18,000
Africa	3,000 ± 150	14,000 ± 770	18,000 ± 910
South America	1,700 ± 330	3,900 ± 400	5,600 ± 710
Oceania	710 ± 120	160 ± 20	870 ± 130
N & Ctrl			
America	3,000 ± 230	2,300 ± 170	5,400 ± 400

# Income effect of world fisheries output

	Landed Value (\$ billions)	Income Effect (\$ billions)	Average Multiplier
Africa	2	1	0.62
Asia	50	35	0.71
Europe	11	9	0.76
Latin America	7	4	0.56
N. America	8	10	1.22
Oceania	5	4	0.73
World Total	84	63	0.75

Dyck & Sumaila (2010)

#### **Defining recreational activities** Cisneros & Sumaila (2010)



Recreational fishing: Fishing where the *main* motivation is not consumption, trade or sale of the catch.

#### **Recreational fishing Cisneros & Sumaila (2010)**



Participation rate (% population) / Expenditure per capita (2003 USD)

#### Conclusion

• Can pull out the country specific data for the 6 PICES countries for a start.

### Acknowledgements

- Global Ocean Economics project, supported by the Pew Charitable Trusts (PCT);
- In partnership with the Sea Around Us.

