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# Mixed stock fisheries in Norway



# Objective of the "Act Relating to Salmonids and Fresh-Water Fish etc."

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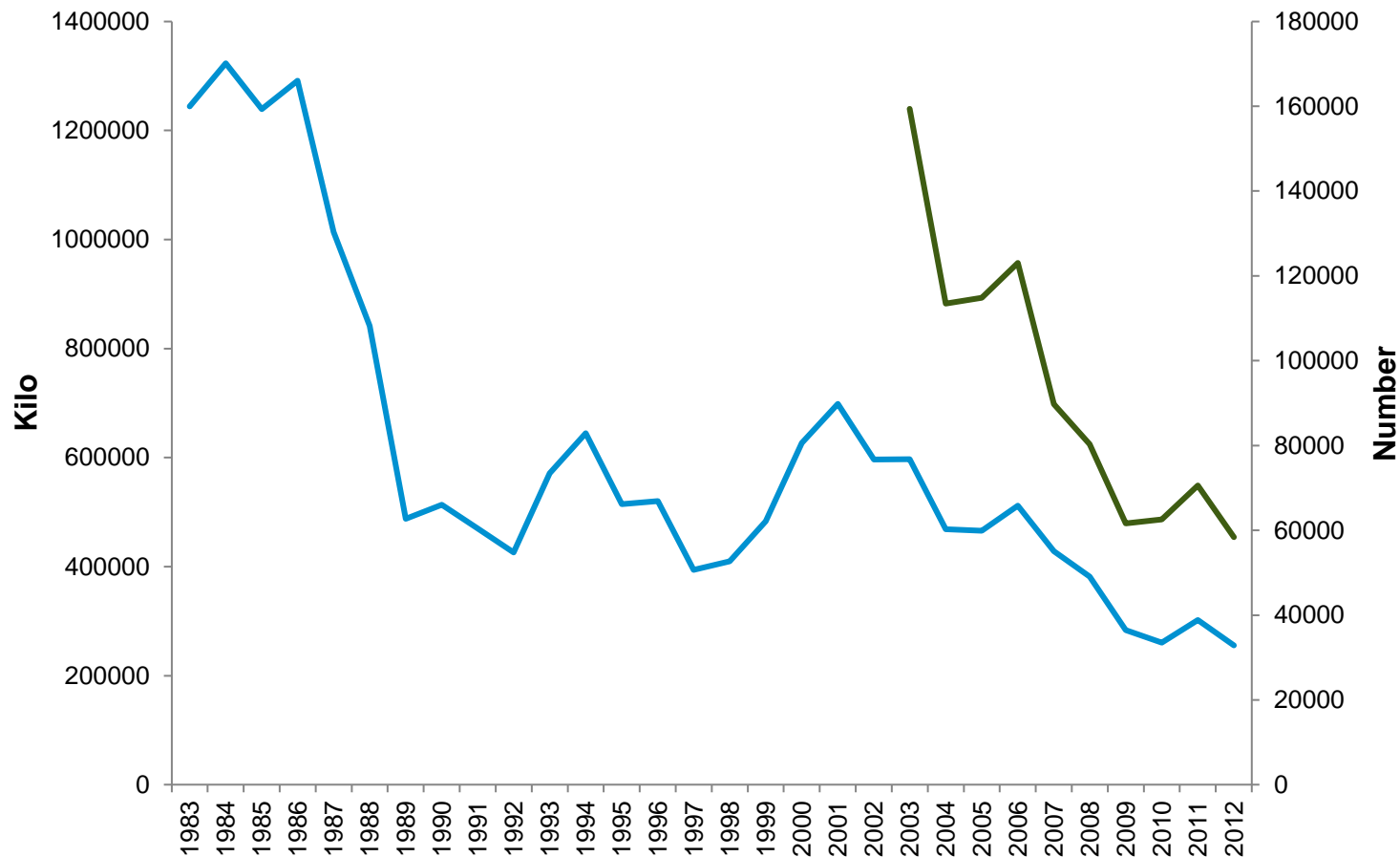
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- *"The objective of the Act is to ensure that natural stocks of anadromous salmonids, fresh water fish and their habitats, as well as other fresh-water organisms, are managed in such a way as to maintain natural diversity and productivity. Within this framework, the Act shall provide a basis for the improvement of stocks with a view to raising yields for the benefit of holders of fishing rights and recreational fishermen."*

# Reported catch in fjords and coastal fisheries in Norway



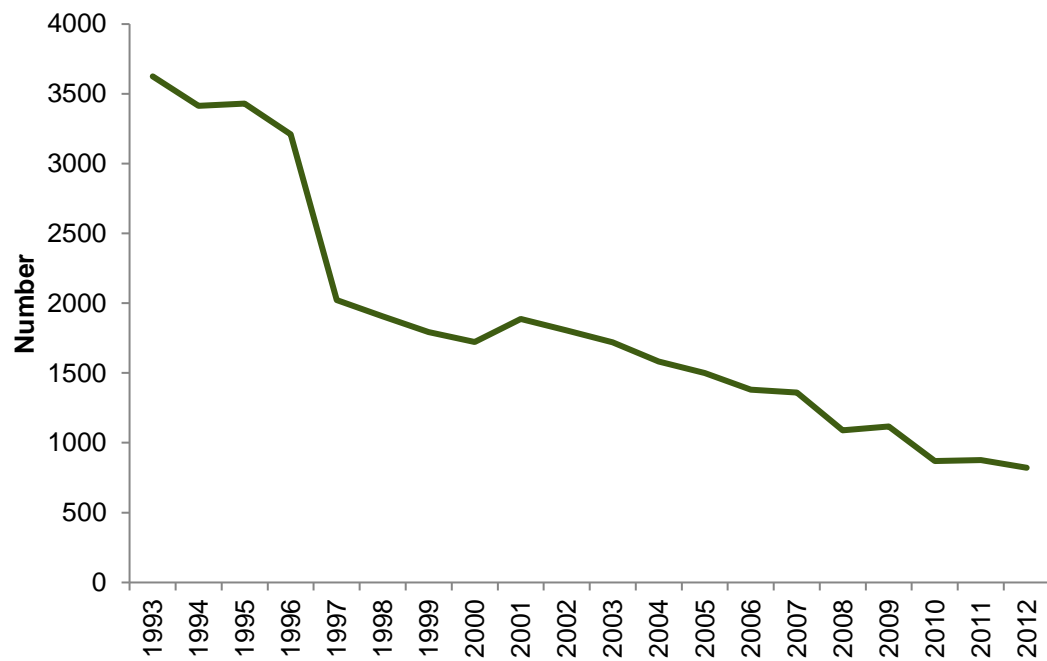
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# Number of registered fishermen



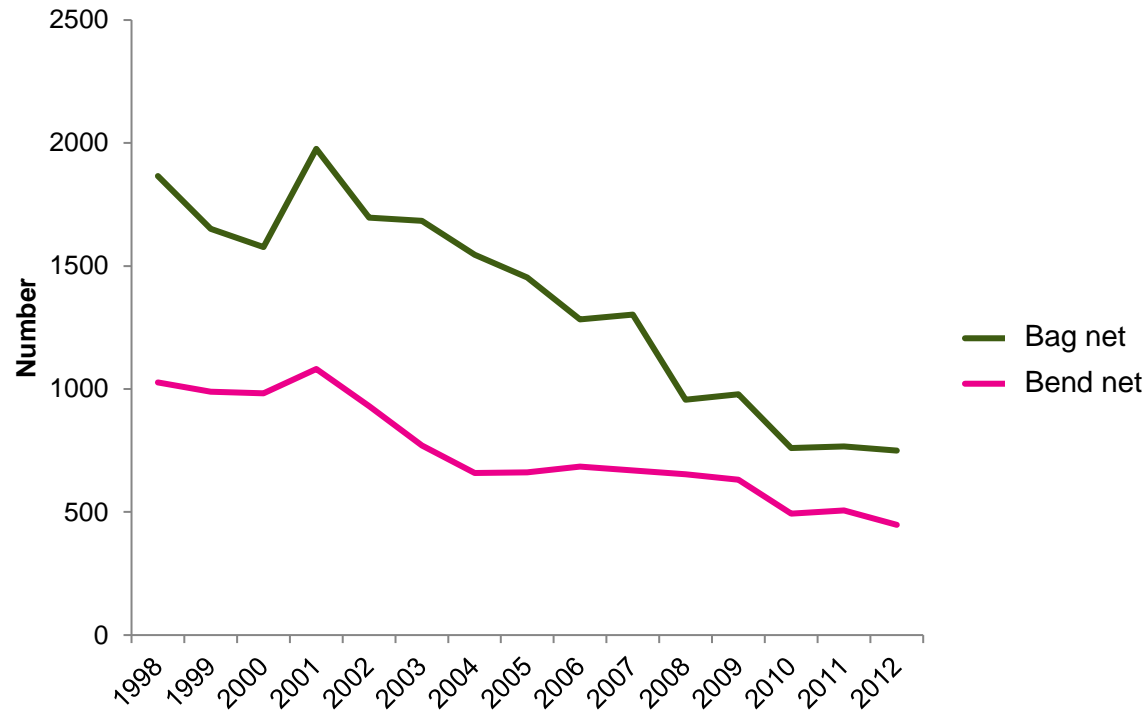
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# Number of fishing gear (bend- and bag net) in fjord and coastal fisheries



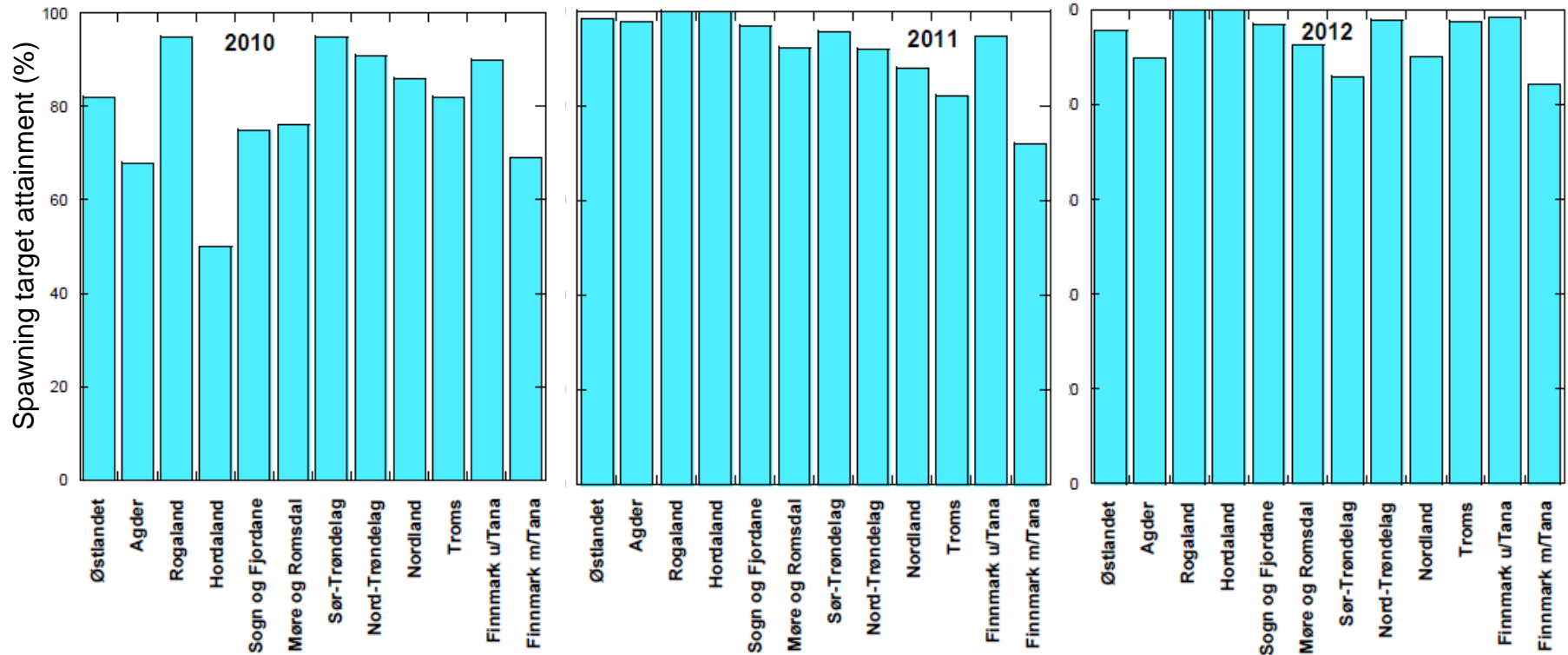
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# Development in spawning target attainment from 2010-2012 in Norway



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# Challenges

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- Biological
  - Mixed stock fisheries, that include fish from weak stocks.
- Formal
  - The right to fish for salmon with fixed gear/nets in saltwater is a right linked to the land, and whoever owns it.
  - Long tradition all along the Norwegian coast-line for fishing for salmon with fixed gear.
  - Obligations towards indigenous peoples, especially in the county of Finnmark and the northern part of the county of Troms
  - Management of salmon fisheries in northern Norway, is linked to fisheries in River Tana

# Future actions

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- Continue to assess management target achievement for our stocks on a regular basis.
- Further reductions of fisheries targeting stocks which do not reach management targets



# Expected outcome

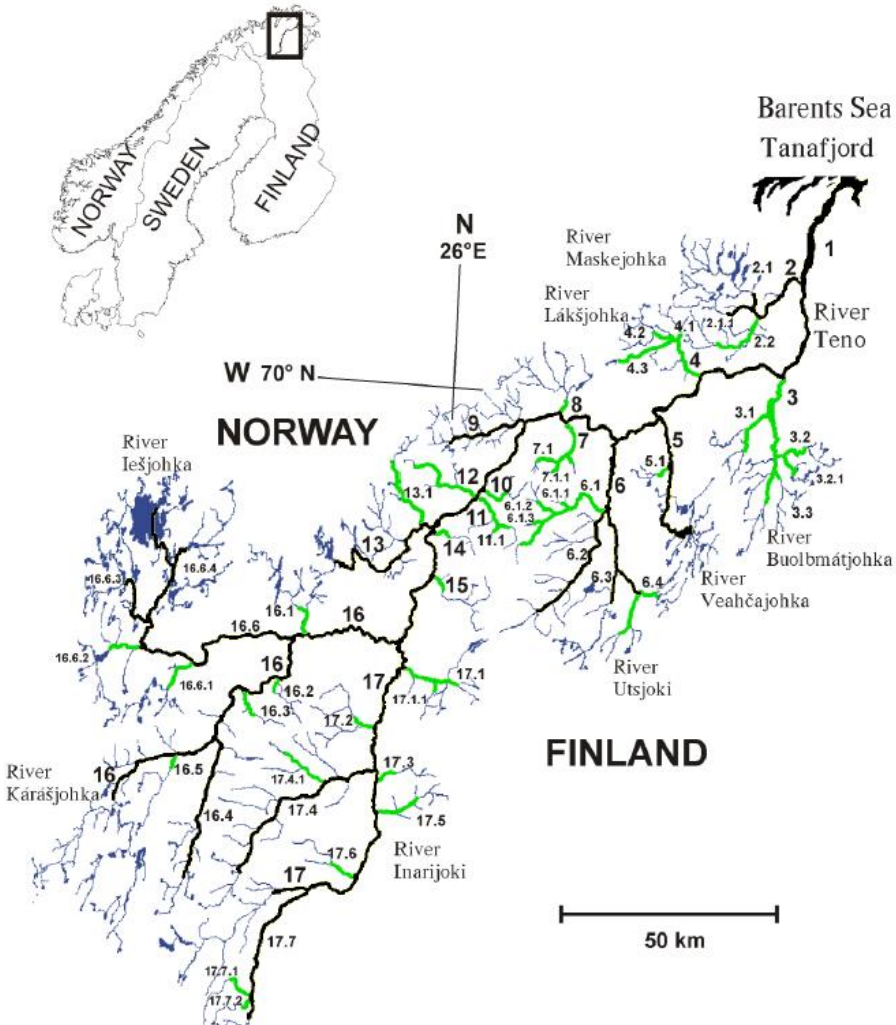
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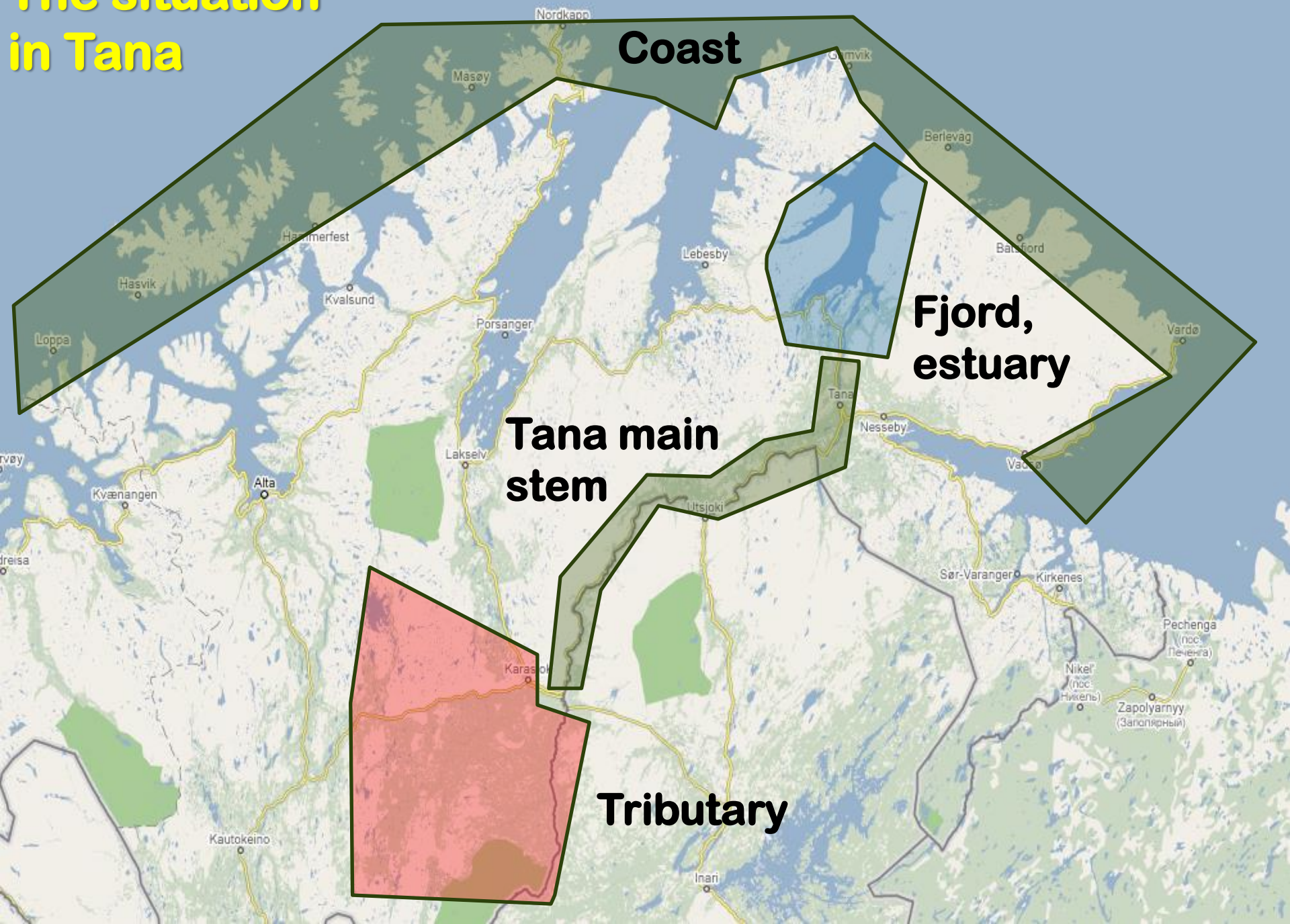
- Even better management target achievement for stocks that don't reach the management target today
- Approach for monitoring:
  - The Norwegian Scientific Committee for Atlantic Salmon Management is assessing the achievement of management targets.

# Tana River System:



- Drainage area ~ 16 000 km<sup>2</sup>
- 70% Norway, 30% Finland
- Over 1200 km available for salmon
- 20-30 different sub-populations of salmon
- Mean catch (1972-2012): 133 tons

# The situation in Tana



# Tana – needed actions

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- A new Norwegian-Finish agreement.

**The main objective is to ensure sustainable fishery by:**

- Develop a new guidelines for regulating fisheries in accordance with NASCO guidelines
  - Stricter regulatory measures where necessary
  - Establish stock rebuilding plans
- Before the new agreement is in place there is a need for implementing temporary regulatory measures in Tana.

# Stock rebuilding plans for three tributaries in Tana

