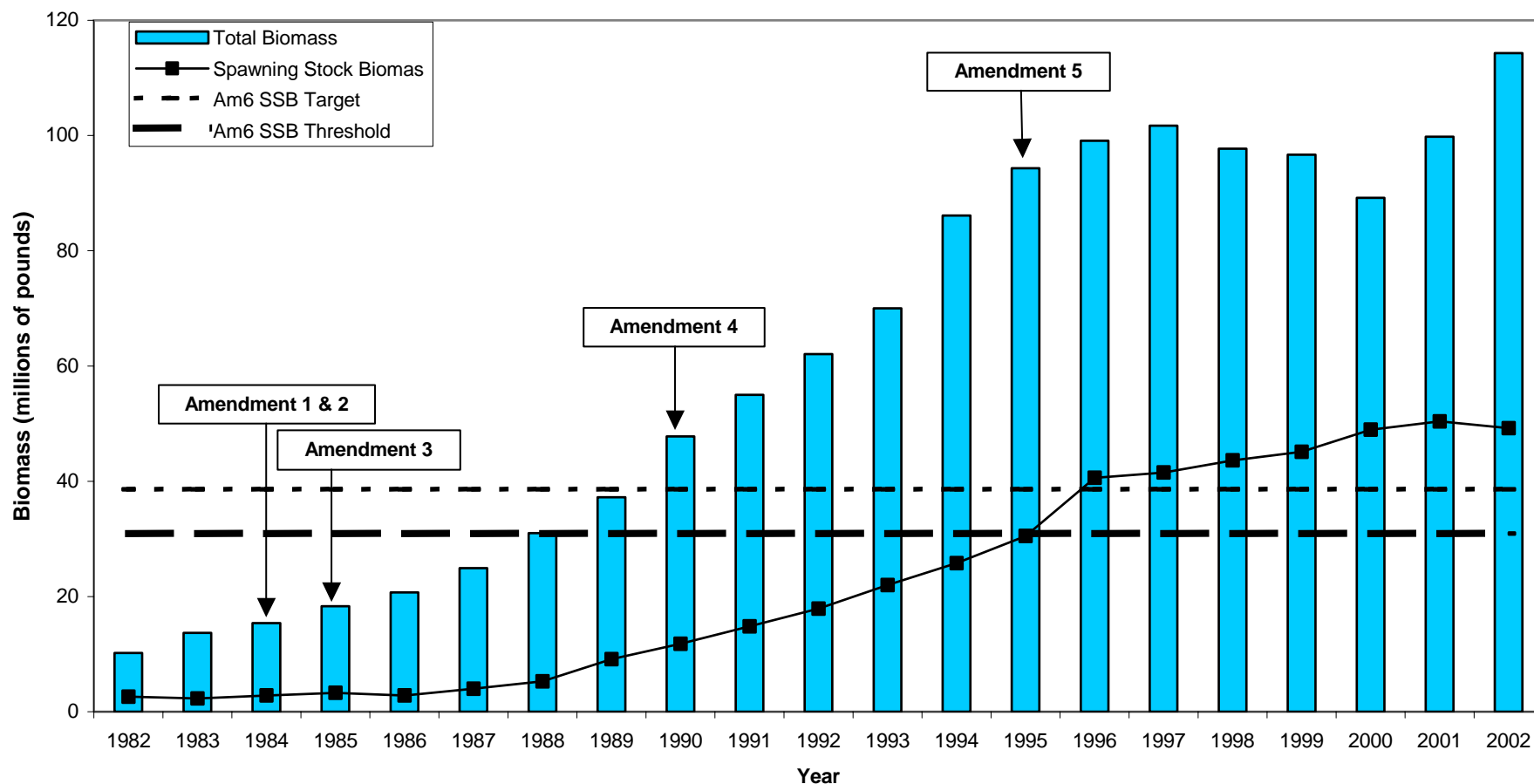


## Overview of Stock Status Atlantic Striped Bass, *Morone saxatilis*

### Atlantic Striped Bass Total and Female Spawning Stock Biomass, 1982-2002

Source: ASMFC Technical Committee, 2003



#### **Management Considerations:**

**Condition:** Not overfished and overfishing is not occurring

#### **FMP Stock Rebuilding Goals:**

Fishing Mortality Target = 0.30

Fishing Mortality Threshold = 0.41

Female SSB Target = 38.6 million pounds (17,510 mt)

Female SSB Threshold = 30.9 million pounds (14,016 mt)

#### **FMP Status:**

Amendment 6, approved February 2003

#### **Primary Management Measures:**

The commercial fishery is controlled through state-by-state quotas (for coastal and bay fisheries), minimum size limits and seasons. The recreational fishery is managed through bag and size limits.