

Review of: "Mental health in fishing communities: An overview of current knowledge and information gaps for fisheries"

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Abstract

1. Fishing depends on unstable natural water resources ...==> Fishing depends on natural water resources which may be unstable....(note: resources are not always unstable)

Introduction

1. and (McGuinness et al., 2013) indicated==> and McGuinness et al. (2013) indicated (note: place of brackets)
2. Antecedent factors impacting....: note: here I would separate water related factors and human factors in separate sentences. Also, it is not clear what you mean with 'disproportionate water allocation and water governance disparities'
3. Regardless, risk, associated: not clear what the purpose is of putting 'regardless' in this sentence. Maybe 'Nevertheless'...?

Materials and methods

1. research question: what ...(note: please check everywhere, small letter after colon (British English))
2. follows: (((fisheries,...: why 3 brackets, please check.

Document selection

1. The review excluded media reports as they are not citable. Note: I suppose you can cite media reports, but not in a scientific review.

Data analysis

Results

Discussion

1. Considering the 3 aims of the paper mentioned in the last para of the introduction, the author should present data on all three aspects in the Results section, and not just the 3 maps. Therefore, I suggest you add some tables with data on the breadth of mental health taken from literature in the results section, describing the mental health aspects (which factors affect mental health), and describe these tables with the section which is now under the discussion section. Now you give a narrative under the discussion about the associations between factors. That can be systematized in a table, I suppose, with mention of references in a column. Now the discussion is a description of what you found interesting in the papers you selected. From a scoping review, more is expected, like more structuring and synthesizing, in order for the reader to better grasp this literature and the challenges associated with this topic, namely which factors affect the mental health in all continents and the differences and similarities between the continents.

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