

Sardine connoisseurs to vastly increase by 2050

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Sardines: the next big thing (Image: FotoosVanRobin)

Get ready to start eating lots of sardines. According to an [American Association for the Advancement of Science](#) panel meeting, predatory fish like tuna and grouper will be virtually non-existent by 2050, while smaller fish like sardines and anchovies will be in abundance. The news isn't all bad: at least something's going to survive the [apocalypse of 2012](#).

The reason for the dramatic decline in predatory fish is – surprise, surprise – overfishing by humans, [The Washington Post](#) reports. Apparently, humans have consumed two-thirds of the large predatory fish in the ocean over the past 100 years, most of that over the past 40 years. Still, it's good to know there will be fish at all in the future: the panel's discussion question was “2050: Will there be fish in the ocean?”

Some experts say that if the number of fishing boats and the days they fish are restricted immediately, then fish stocks could start inching back. For anyone in Toronto with less than full faith in humanity's capacity for self-control, we hear that [Bar Salumi](#) has a mean cured sardine.

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