Georges Bank haddock catch by herring vessels using mid-water trawl gear

Report run on : September 12, 2013

Data reported through: September 11, 2013

Quota period: 5/1/13 to 4/30/14

Month	Monthly estimated haddock catch (mt)	Cumulative estimated haddock catch (mt)	Cumulative percent of quota (273 mt)
MAY	18.52	18.52	6.78%
JUNE	51.02	69.54	25.47%
JULY	68.32	137.86	50.50%
AUGUST	76.53	214.39	78.53%
SEPTEMBER	4.49	218.88	80.18%

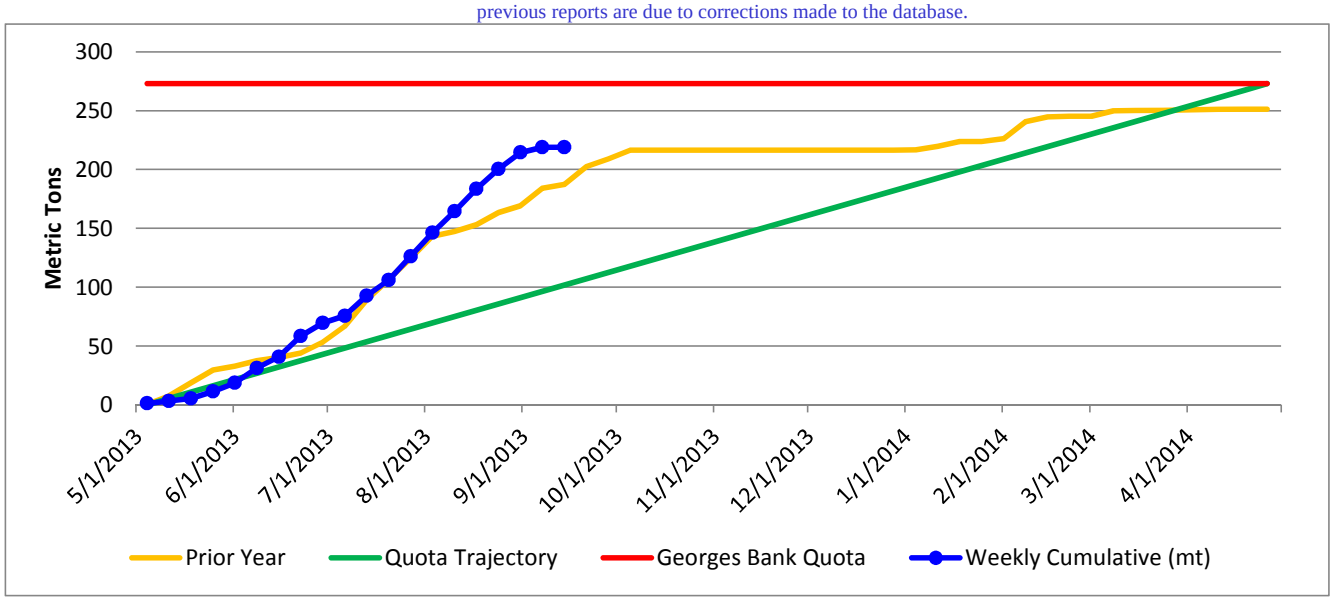
Notice

The Georges Bank (GB) haddock incidental catch cap is monitored based on the Northeast multispecies fishing year (May 1-April 30).

If the GB haddock incidental catch cap is caught, any vessel issued a herring permit and using midwater trawl gear may not fish for, possess, or land more than 2,000 lb of herring in the Herring GB Haddock Accountability Measure Area.

Please note; our previous fishing year 2013 weekly quota monitoring reports for haddock bycatch in mid-water trawls, posted here through the end of August 2013, were incorrect. Due to a programming error, only catch reported by a fishery observer was included. The corrected 2013 haddock bycatch estimate, as of September 3rd, is increased from 19.2% to 79.9%. We apologize for any confusion and difficulties that this error may cause. Contact Michael Lanning, during normal working hours at 978-281-9308, with any questions you may have about this bycatch analysis.

These data are the best available to NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) when this report was compiled. Data for this report are supplied to NMFS from vessels via the Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), the Vessel Trip Report System (VTR), and the Northeast Fisheries Observer Program. Data may be preliminary. Discrepancies with previous reports are due to corrections made to the database.



Gulf of Maine haddock catch by herring vessels using midwater trawl gear

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Data reported through: September 11, 2013

Quota period: 5/1/13 to 4/30/14

Month	Monthly estimated haddock catch (mt)	Cumulative estimated haddock catch (mt)	Cumulative percent of quota (3 mt)
MAY	0.00	0.00	0.00%
JUNE	0.00	0.00	0.00%
JULY	0.00	0.00	0.00%
AUGUST	0.00	0.00	0.00%
SEPTEMBER	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Notice

The Gulf of Maine (GOM) haddock incidental catch cap is monitored based on the Northeast multispecies fishing year (May 1-April 30).

If the GOM haddock incidental catch cap is caught, any vessel issued a herring permit and using midwater trawl gear may not fish for, possess, or land more than 2,000 lb of herring in the Herring GOM Haddock Accountability Measure Area.

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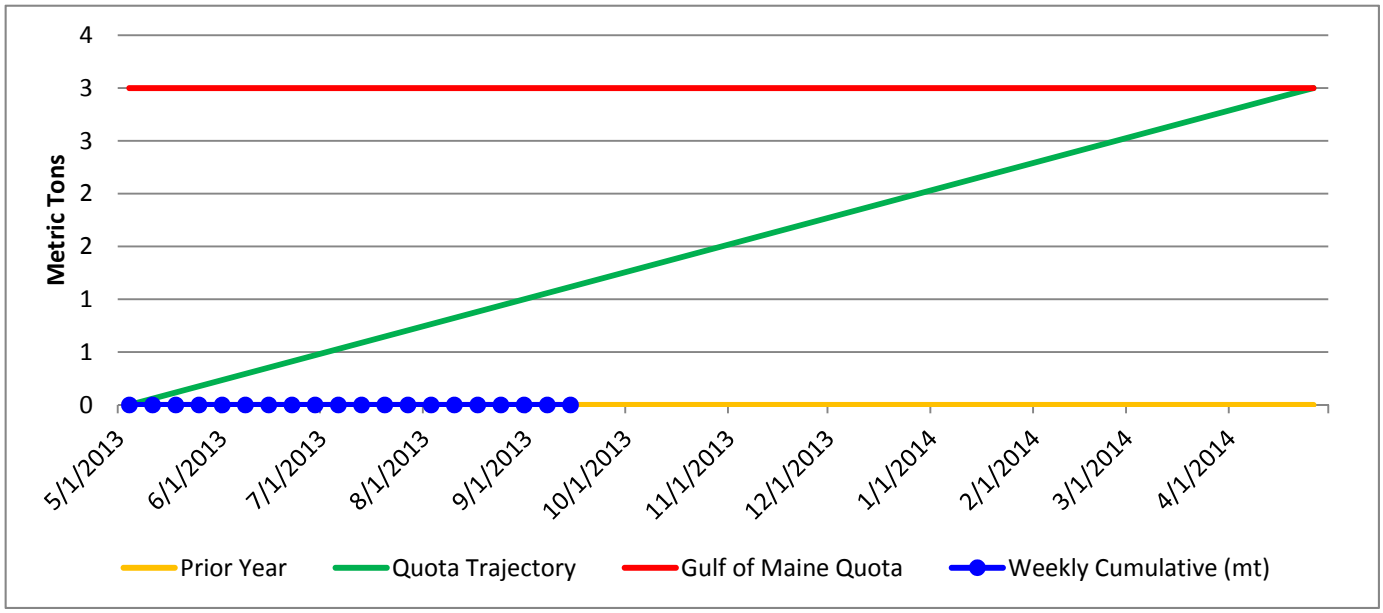

Previously, the method previously used to estimate haddock catch by midwater trawl herring vessels was the same method used to monitor

butterfish catch in the Longfin squid fishery. For more information on the butterfish catch methodology, click here.

As of March 28, 2013, the method for estimating haddock catch by midwater trawl herring vessels has been revised to match the method for estimating catch and discards in the multispecies fisheries. This revised method replaces estimated pounds with observed pounds where available.

The cumulative method uses catch from the entire year to estimate a haddock catch ratio for each herring stock area. The haddock bycatch ratio is calculated for a stock area by dividing observed haddock catch for the year by the observed kept-all (total amount of all species) for the year.

Haddock pounds per unobserved trip are then estimated by multiplying the catch ratio by the kept all from all unobserved herring midwater trawl vessels fishing within that haddock stock area.

More information on this methodology can be found at
click here and **click here**