Atlantic Herring Weekly Report

Report Run on: 5/16/2013

For data reported through: 5/15/2013

Quota period: 01/01/2013 to 12/31/2013

Management Area	Current Week's Catch (mt)[1]	Reporting Week's Catch (mt)[2]	Cumulative Catch (mt)	Quota (mt)[3]	Percent of Quota[4]
1A	0	0	0	3,280	0%
1B	220	0	1,915	4,362	44%
2	0	0	21,993	22,146	99%
3	0	28	3,966	38,146	10%
Total	220	28	27,874	67,934	41%

[1]**Herring catch reported for week ending 5/11/2013**

[2]**Herring catch reported for week ending 5/18/2013**

[3]Area 1A quota reflects the 5,000 mt seasonal allocation from January -May, is reduced for the 1,425 mt overage in 2011, and excludes the 295 mt set-aside for fixed gear fisheries west of Cutler, ME until November 1, 2013.

[4]Area 1A percent of quota includes current ME state only vessel herring landings

Notice

NMFS closed the directed herring fishery in Management Area 2 on April 7, 2013, because over 95 percent of the catch limit for that area has been caught. Effective 0001 hr, April 7, 2013, federally permitted vessels may not fish for, catch, possess, transfer, or land more than 2,000 lb (907.2 kg) of Atlantic herring (herring) per trip or calendar day in or from Management Area 2 until January 1, 2014, when the 2014 allocation for Area 2 becomes available. Also effective 0001 hr, April 7, 2013, federally permitted dealers may not receive more than 2,000 lb (907.2 kg) of herring caught within Management Area 2 per trip or calendar day.

The Atlantic herring fishery is monitored using data provided by herring-permitted vessels (VMS catch reports and VTRs) and Federal/state dealer data. VMS catch reports will be used to verify and determine catch when VTR and/or dealer records are unavailable, but VTR and dealer reports, once received, will determine final catch by area.

Catch reporting requirements are as follows: Limited access herring vessels report catch daily via VMS, open access herring vessels report catch weekly via the IVR system, and all herring-permitted vessels submit VTRs weekly. Failure to submit reports, including the requirement to submit a negative VTR for any week when no catch was made, has resulted in vessels being referred to the NOAA Office of Law Enforcement for investigation.

For questions regarding Atlantic herring management, please contact the Sustainable Fisheries Division at 978-281-9315. For guidance on the most recent notification and reporting requirements please click here.

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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.

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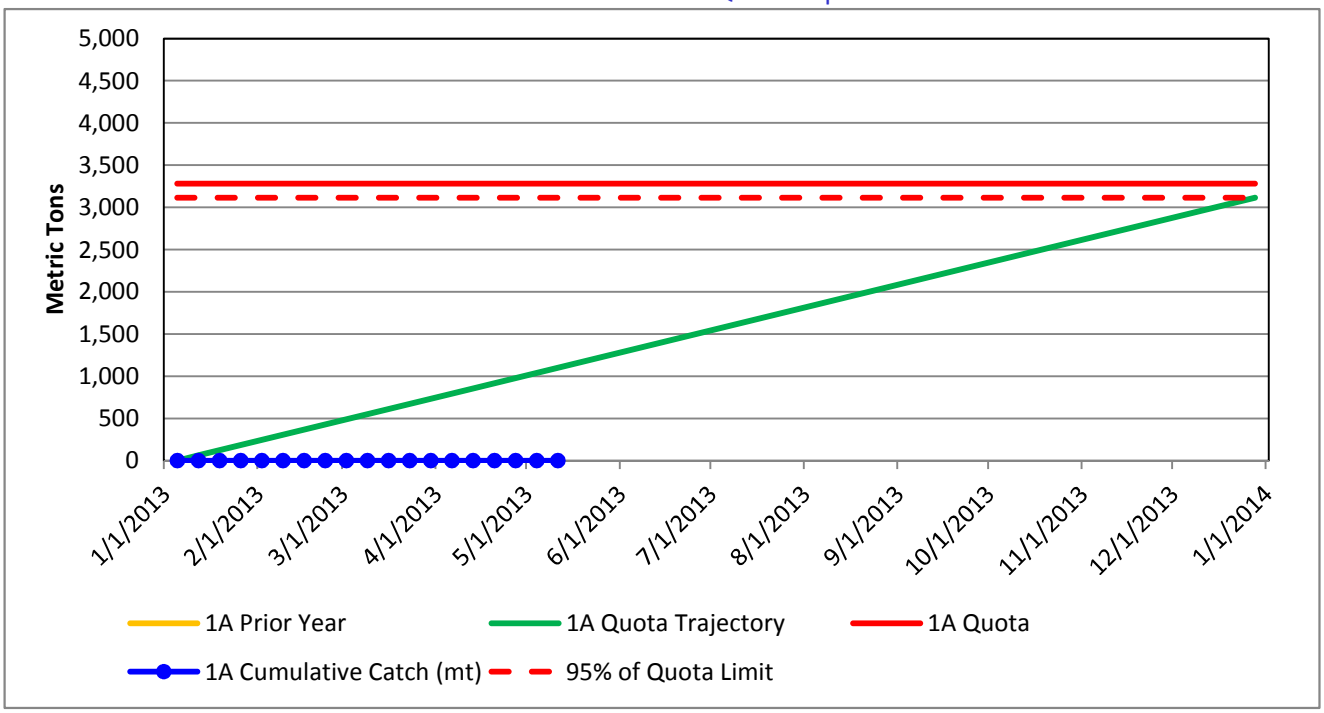
2013 Area 1A Quota Report



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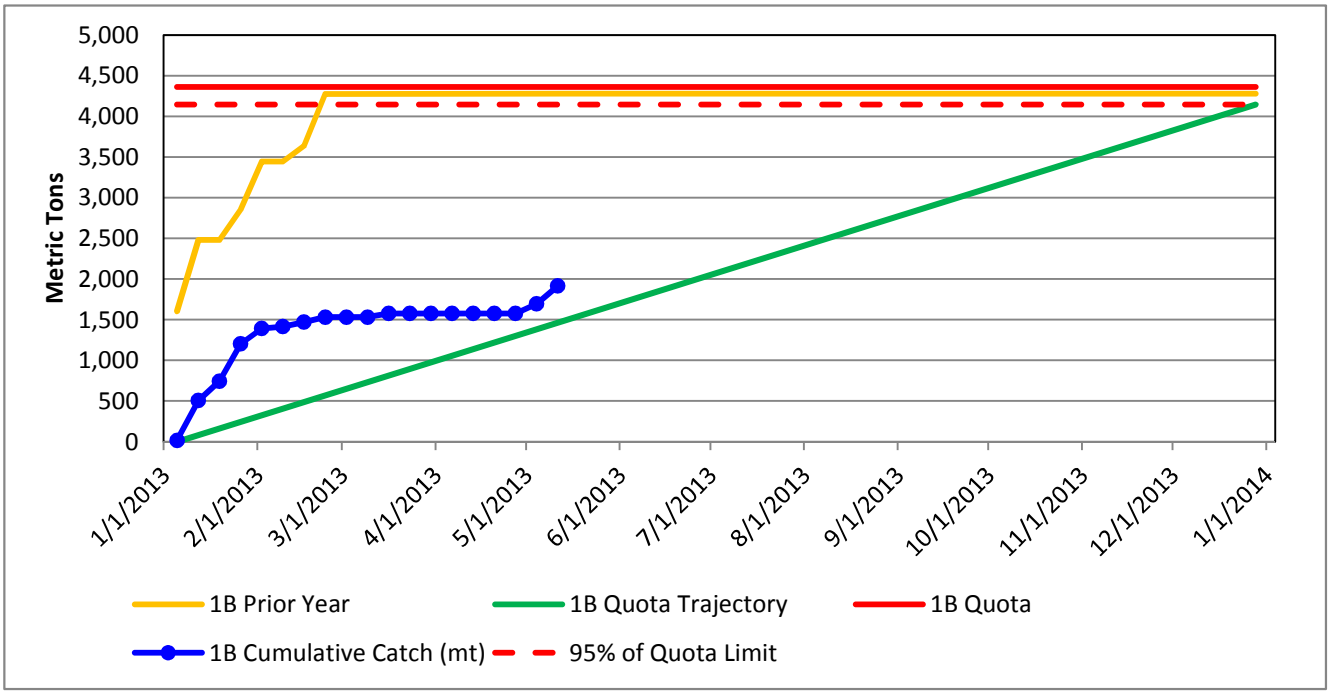
2013 Area 1B Quota Report



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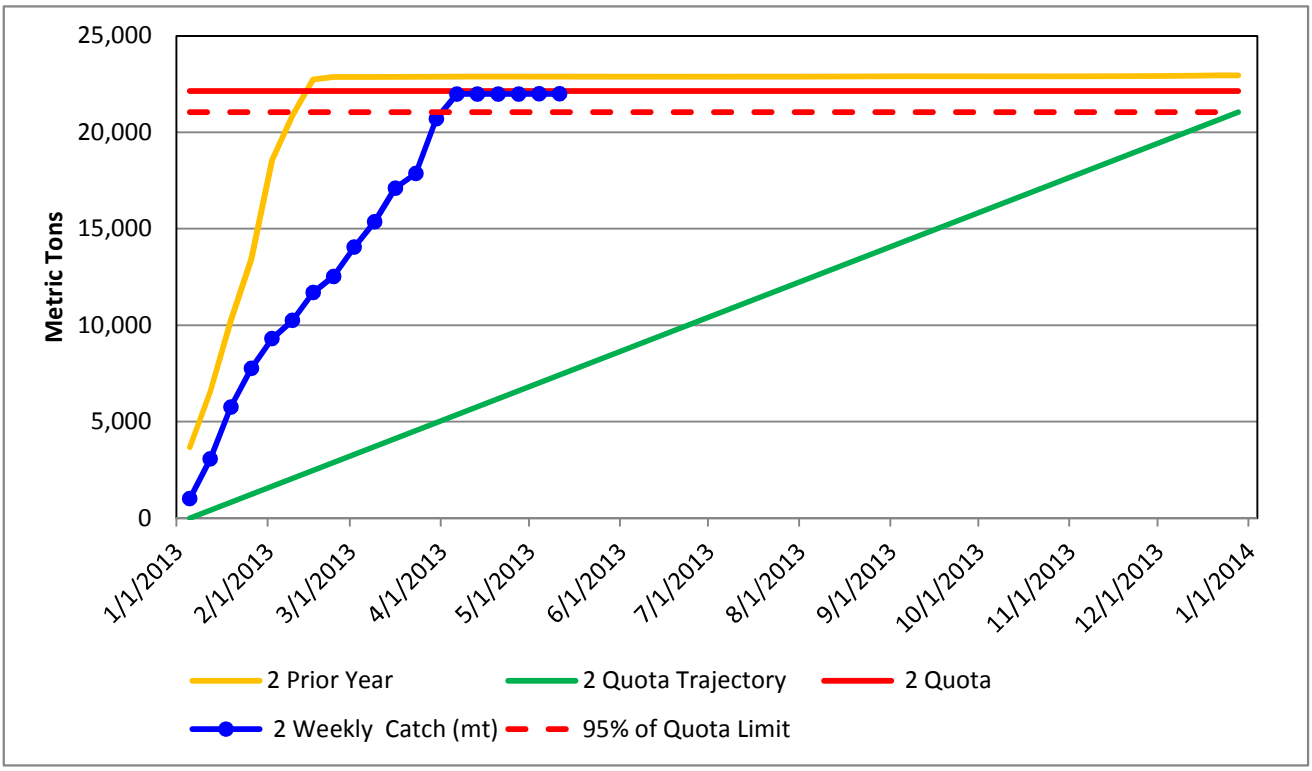
2013 Area 2 Quota Report



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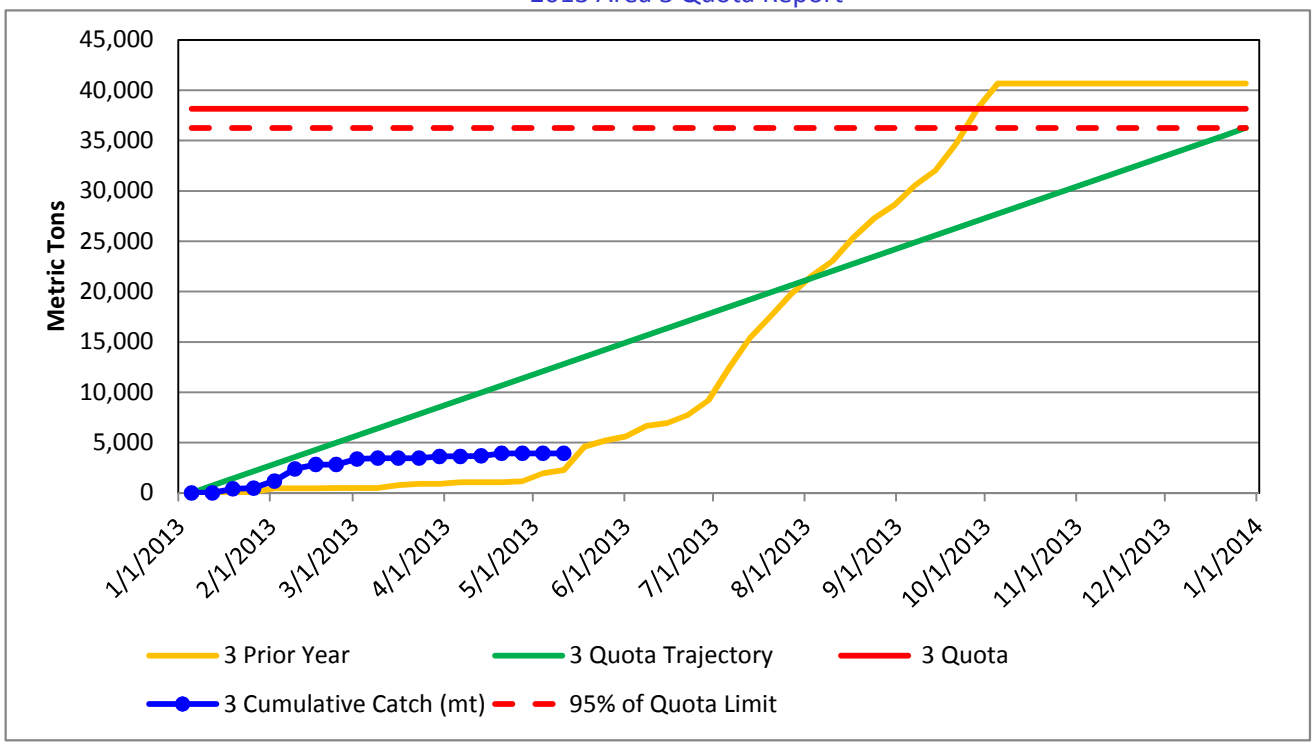
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