

Atlantic Herring Weekly Report

Report Run on: 1/2/2015

For data reported through: 12/31/2014

Quota period: 01/01/2014 to 12/31/2014

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	33,587	33,031	101.68%
1B	0	0	4,733	2,878	164.46%
2	115	239	19,408	28,764	67.47%
3	0	0	37,253	39,415	94.51%
Total	115	239	94,980	104,088	91.25%

¹Herring catch reported for week ending 12/27/2014

²Herring catch reported for week ending 1/3/2015

³Framework 2 imposed seasonal restrictions on Areas 1A and 1B. As a result, Area 1A opened on June 1, 2014, and Area 1B opened on May 1, 2014 and closed on May 24, 2014.

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

Notice

Revised specifications for 2014 were approved by NMFS and published in the Federal Register on March 19, 2014. The sub-ACLs shown above are based on the revised specifications and include 2012 carryover and overages.

We have deducted catch from Herring Area 1A, 1B, and 2, to account for the 3-percent Herring Research Set-Aside awarded in 2014. These amounts are: 936 mt in Area 1A; 138 mt in Area 1B; 900 mt in Area 2; and 1,260 mt in Area 3. The Area 3 set-aside was not awarded and NMFS will publish a notice in the Federal Register to indicate whether the Area 3 set-aside will be returned to the fishery.

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](#).

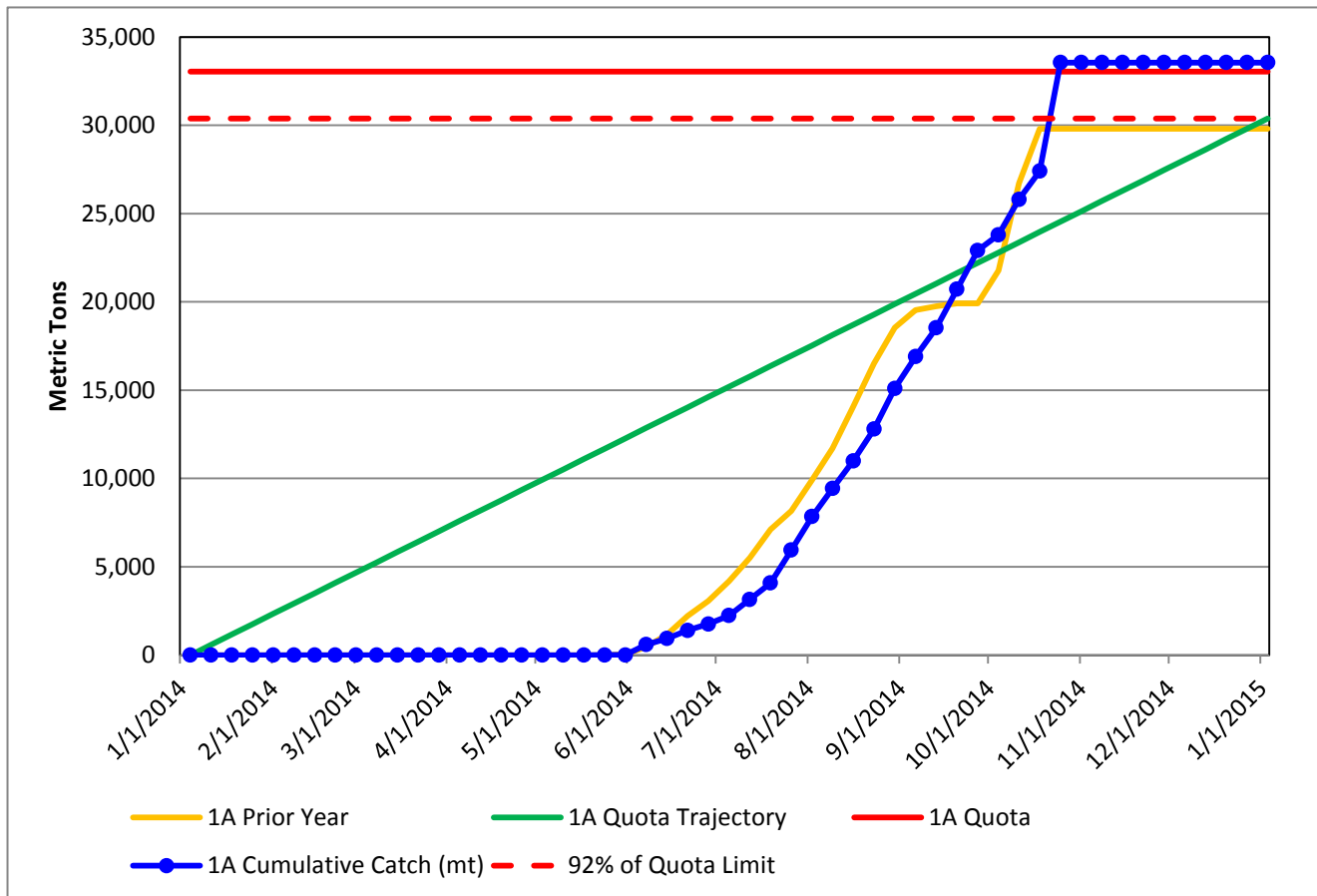


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2014 Area 1A Quota Report

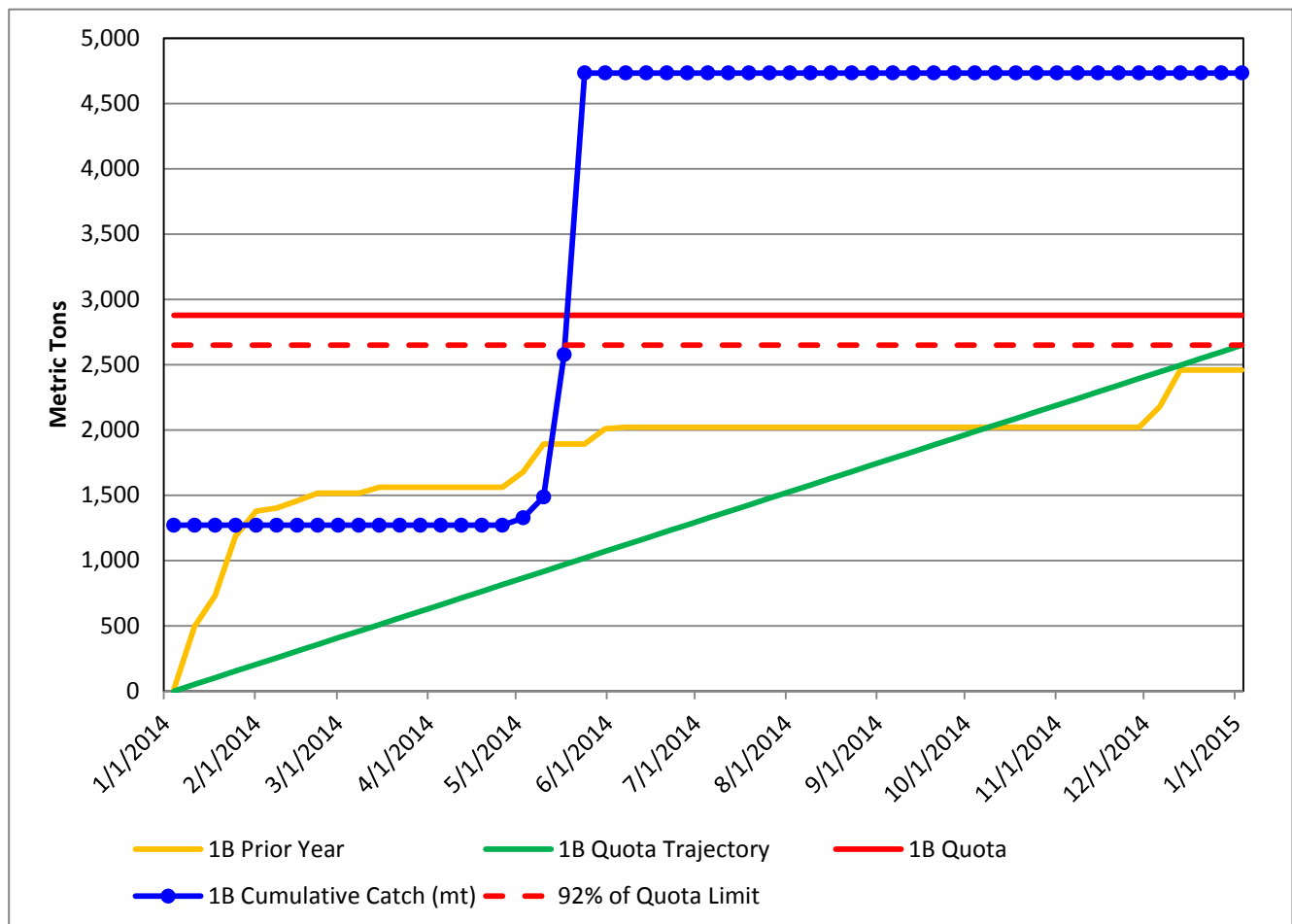




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2014 Area 1B Quota Report

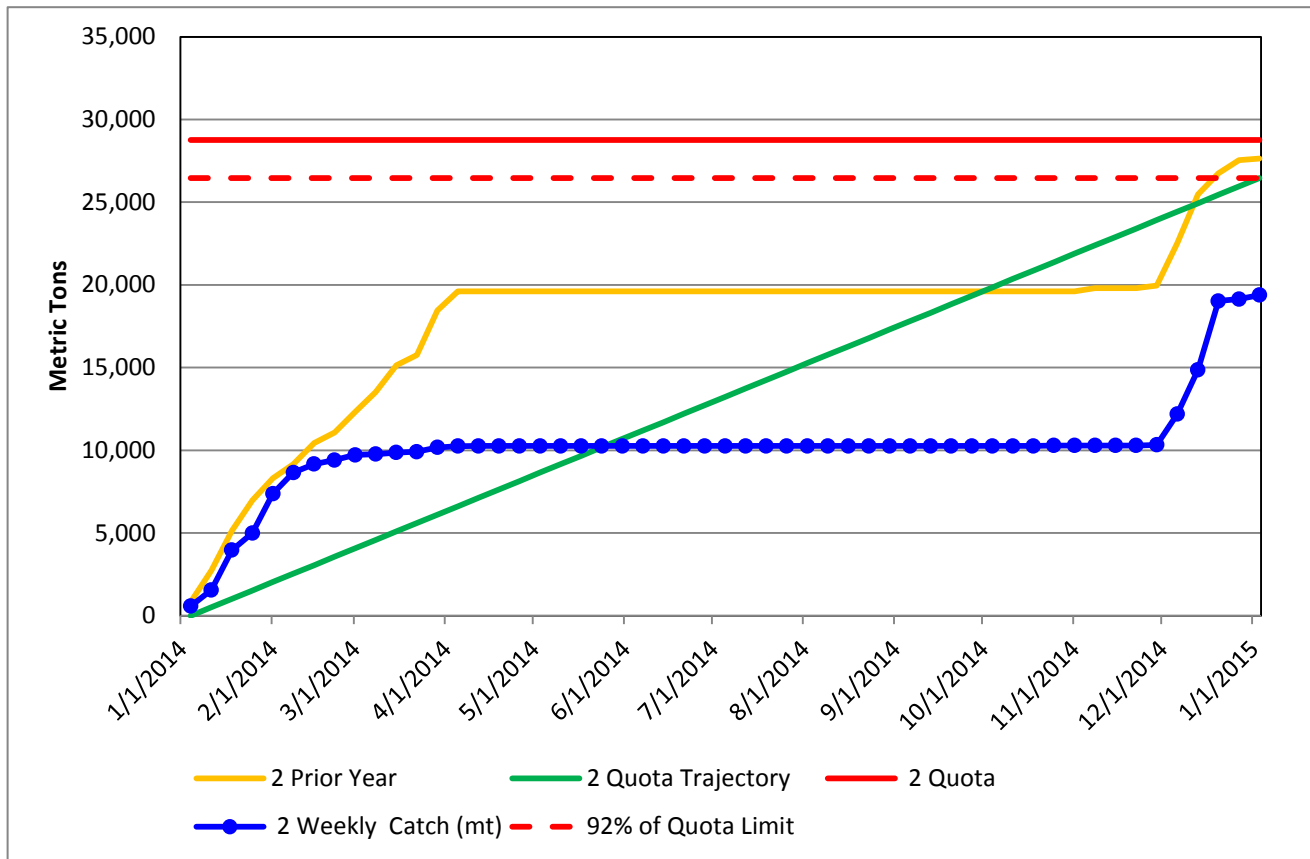




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2014 Area 2 Quota Report





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2014 Area 3 Quota Report

