Atlantic Herring Weekly Report

Report Run on: 10/29/2015

For data reported through: 10/28/2015

Quota period: 01/01/2015 to 12/31/2015

| Management Area | Current Week's Catch (mt) ¹ | Reporting Week's Catch (mt) ² | Cumulative Catch (mt) | Quota (mt)³ | Percent of Quota⁴ |
|--------------------|--|--|--------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| 1A | 3,959 | 1,384 | 27,609 | 30,290 | 91.15% |
| 1B | 0 | 0 | 2,889 | 4,922 | 58.69% |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 11,346 | 32,100 | 35.35% |
| 3 | 0 | 0 | 34,090 | 44,910 | 75.91% |
| Total | 3,959 | 1,384 | 75,934 | 104,566 | 72.62% |

¹Herring catch reported for week ending 10/24/2015

Effective 2/12/2015:

Final 2015 sub-ACLs have been adjusted for carryover from 2013.

As a result, the sum of the 2015 adjusted sub-ACLs does not equal the stock-wide ACL of 104,566 because the stock-wide ACL cannot be increased by carryover.

Notice

Quota deductions were made from Herring Areas 1A, 1B, 2, and 3, to account for the 3-percent Herring Research Set-Aside awarded in 2015. 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 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 <u>click here</u>.

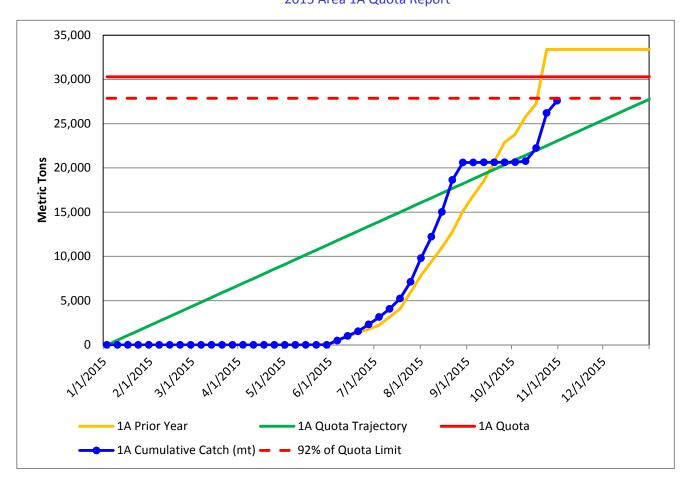
²Herring catch reported for week ending 10/31/2015

³Area 1A quota excludes 295 mt set-aside for the fixed gear fisheries west of Cutler, ME until November 1, 2015

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

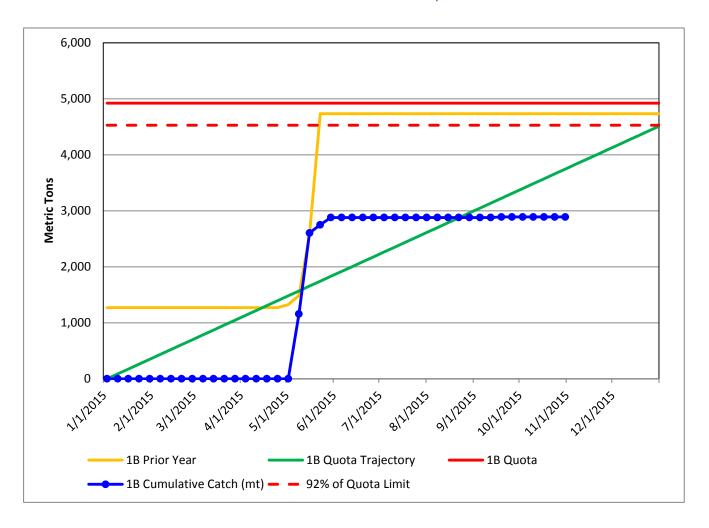


Atlantic Herring 2015 Area 1A Quota Report



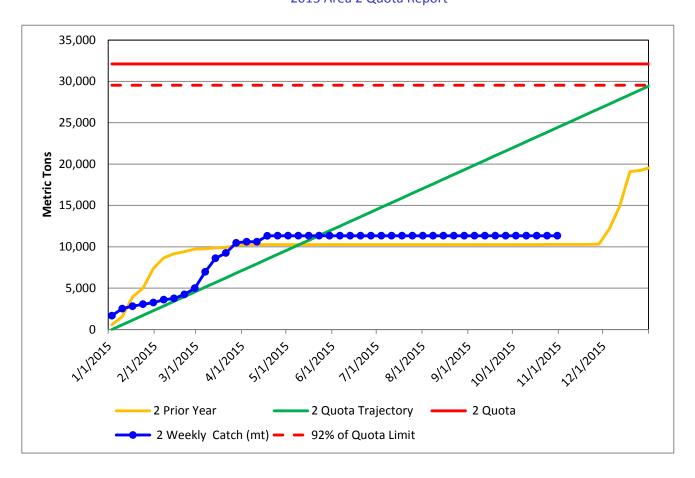


Atlantic Herring 2015 Area 1B Quota Report





Atlantic Herring 2015 Area 2 Quota Report





Atlantic Herring 2015 Area 3 Quota Report

