# Atlantic Herring Weekly Report

**Report Run on:** 2/29/2016

For data reported through: 2/28/2016

Quota period: 01/01/2016 to 12/31/2016

Management Area	Current Week's Catch (mt) <sup>1</sup>	Reporting Week's Catch (mt) <sup>2</sup>	Cumulative Catch (mt)	Quota (mt)	Percent of Quota <sup>3</sup>
1A	0	0	0	30,264	0.00%
1B	0	0	0	4,462	0.00%
2	485	614	4,827	29,100	16.59%
3	0	0	0	40,740	0.00%
Total	485	614	4,827	104,566	4.62%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Herring catch reported for week ending 2/20/2016

#### **Notice**

The 2016 Atlantic herring fishery opened with the 2015 herring specifications in place. NOAA Fisheries will be adjusting the 2016 herring specifications to account for 2014 herring fishery overages and/or underages via a notice published in the Federal Register. We expect that adjustment notice to publish in the next few weeks. Herring fishery participants will be notified of the adjustments to the 2016 herring specifications via VMS, radio message, and permit holder letter.

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 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>.

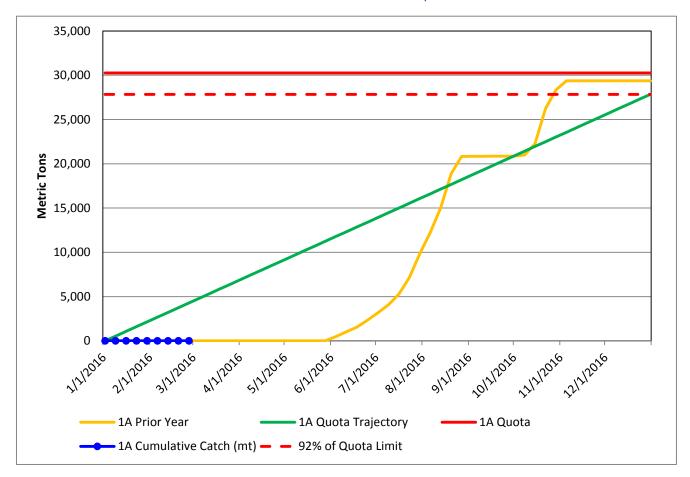
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Herring catch reported for week ending 2/27/2016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Area 1A percent of quota includes current ME state only vessel herring landings



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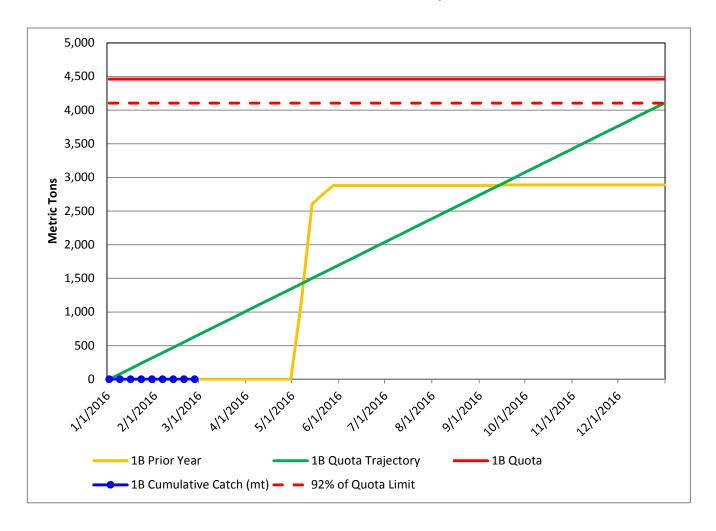
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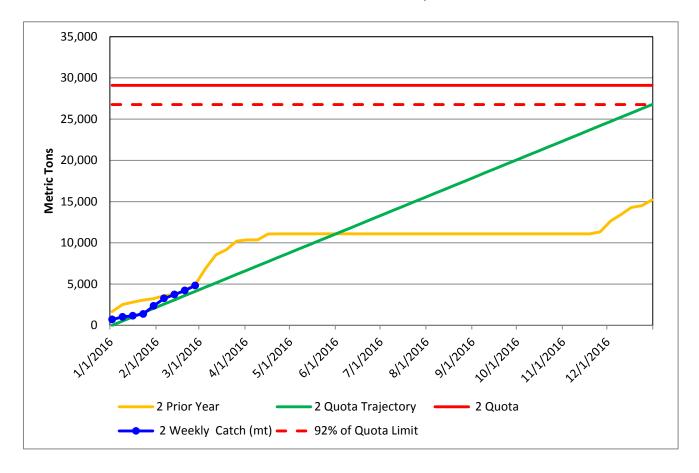
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### **Atlantic Herring**

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### **Atlantic Herring**

2016 Area 3 Quota Report

