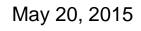
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Project Overview



- Two U.S. Catch Share Programs
 - Northeast Multispecies Sector Program (established 2010)
 - West Coast Shorebased Individual Fishing Quota System (established 2011)
- Objective Information for Decision-making
 - Development of 14 indicators: ecological, economic, social, and administrative effects of both programs
- Easily Accessible Information for All Interested Parties





Project Goals

- Provide a set of neutral, scientific indicators that can be used by fisheries managers, fishermen, and other interested parties.
- Develop and conduct scientific methods of data compilation and analysis to track the indicators.
 - Inclusive, collaborative, transparent, and credible
- Communicate the indicators in an objective, accessible fashion







Key Questions

- Economic and Social Questions

- Has the financial viability of the fishery changed?
- Has the number of active vessels in the fishery changed?
- Have opportunities or barriers to entering the fishery changed?
- Are fishing vessels participating in a different mix of fisheries?
- Has the cost of fishery management to the private sector changed?
- Have social and economic effects on local communities changed?

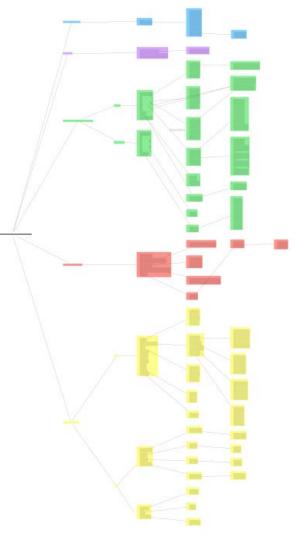






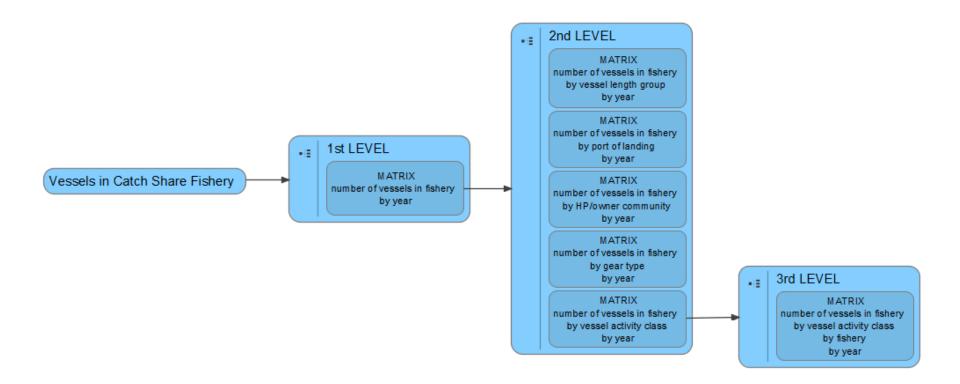
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- Vessels in Catch Share Fishery
- Fishing Portfolio
- Financial Viability of Harvesting and Processing Sectors
- -Quota Share Distribution and Value
- Fishing Community Impacts
 - People
 - Places





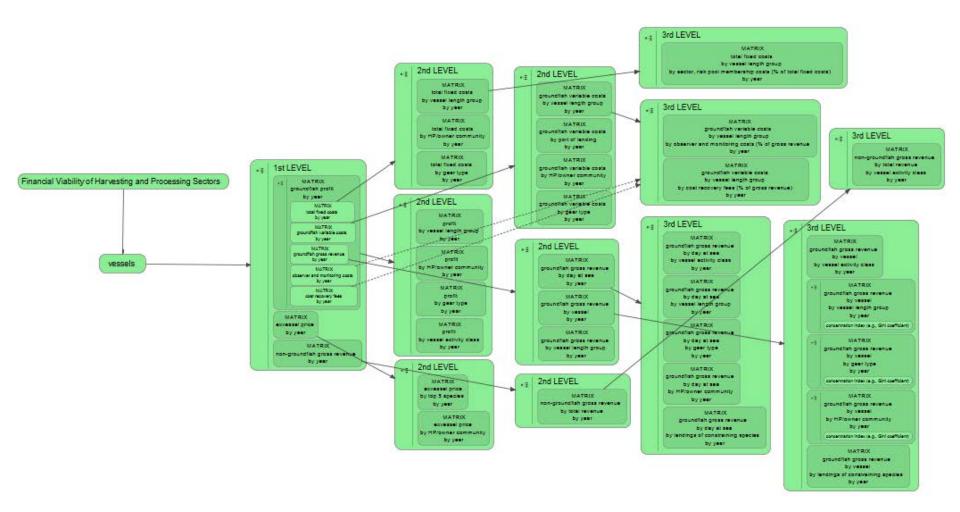














- Public availability of data?
- Data accuracy?
- Source reliance?
- Confidentiality?
- Geographic coverage?
- Replicability?
- Time depth?
- Diminishing returns?







Social Indicators

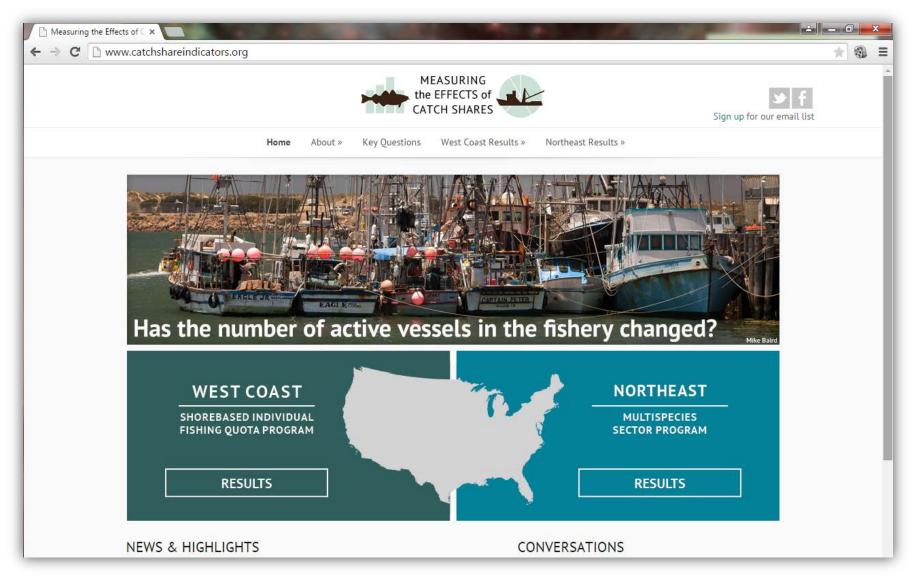
- Have social and economic effects on local communities changed?
 - Landings and Revenues by State and Port Group
 - Vessel Activity by State and Port Group
 - Crew Employment and Compensation
 - Fishing Support Service Employment
 - Seafood Processor Employment
 - Fishing Vessel and Crew Safety







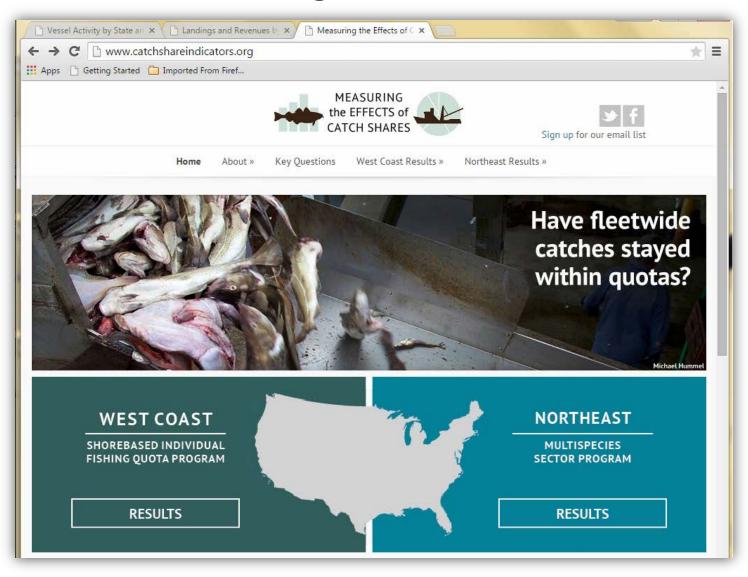
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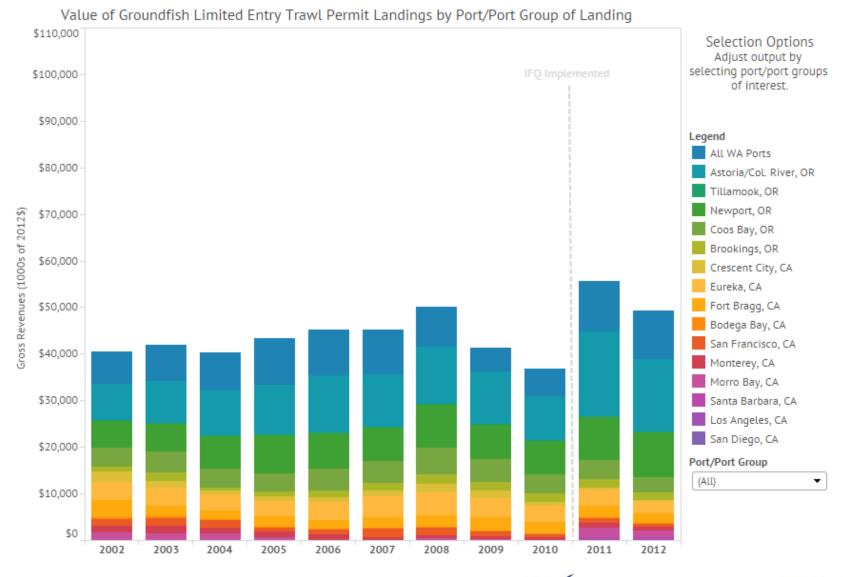
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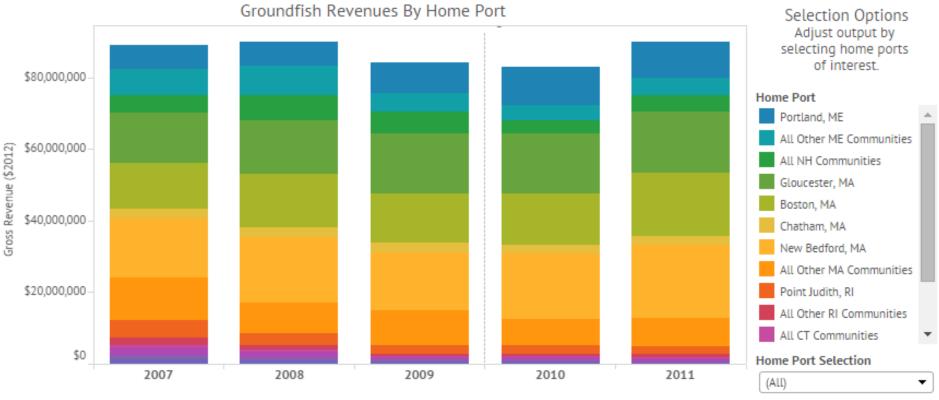
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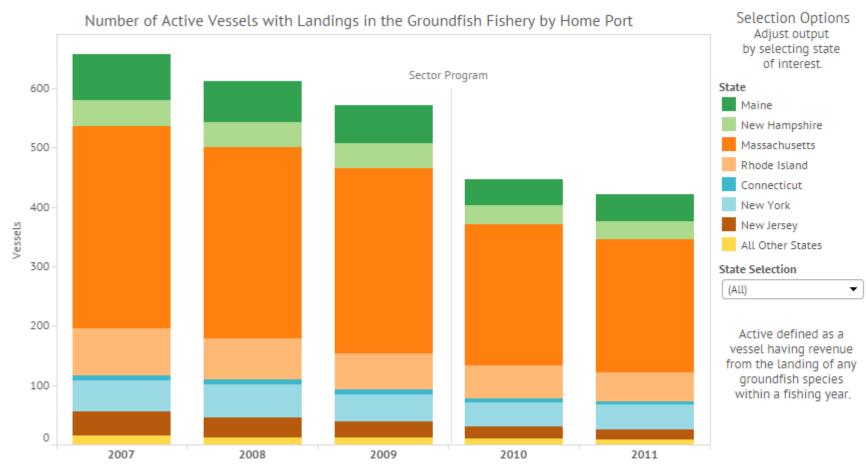


Fishing Year





Results: Vessel Activity (Northeast)



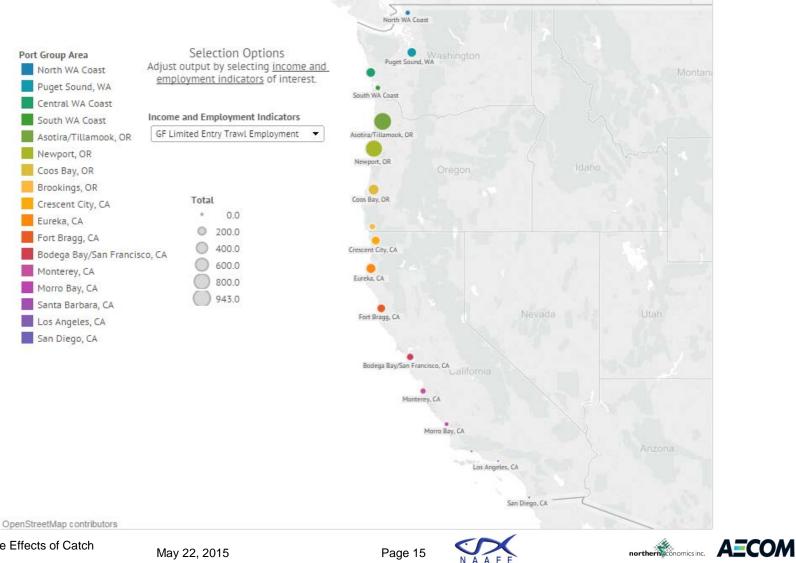
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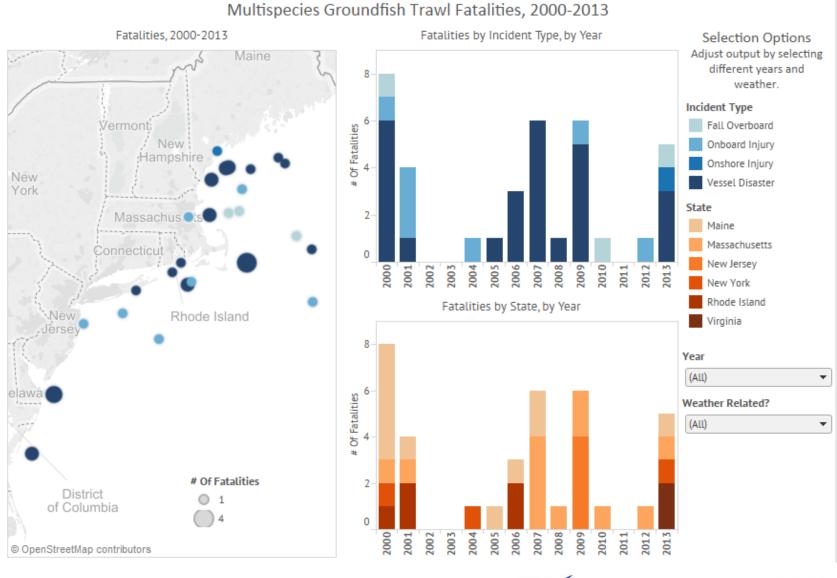
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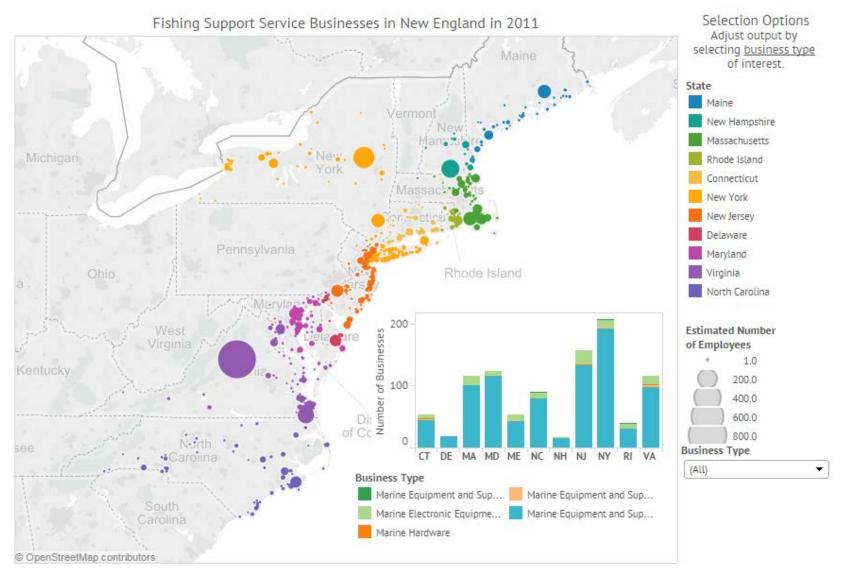
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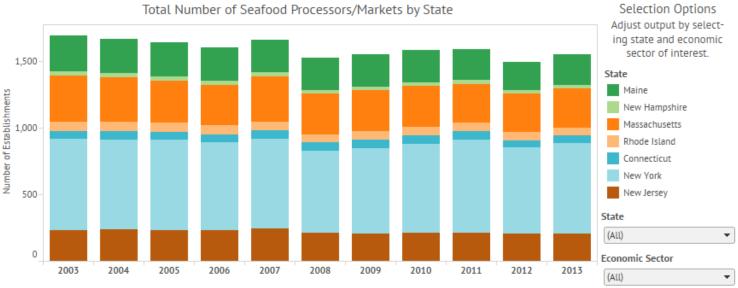
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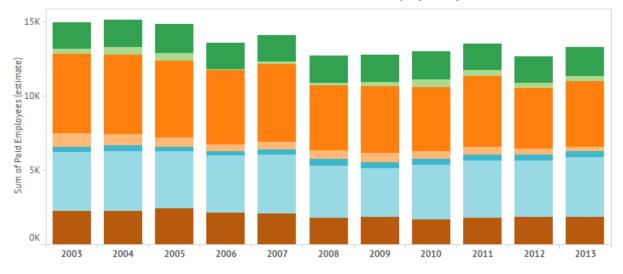




Results: Seafood Processor Employment (Northeast)



Total Number of Seafood Processor/Market Employees by State



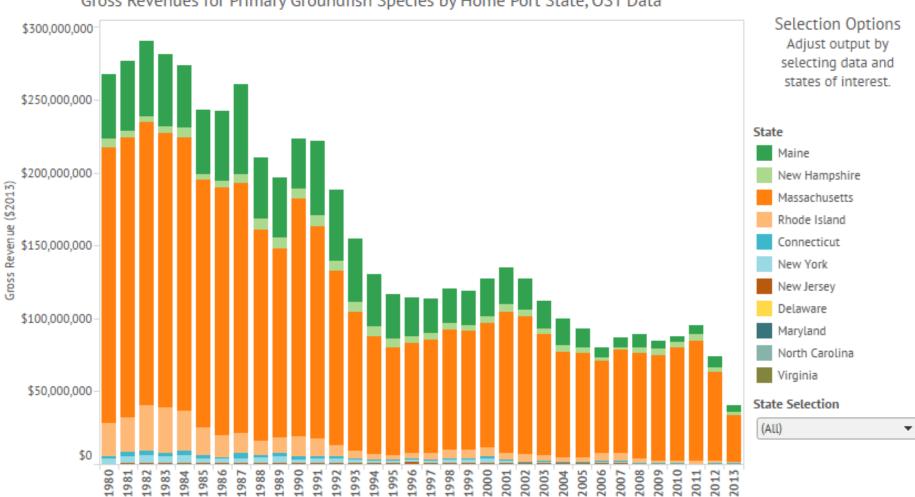
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Findings: Extended Baseline



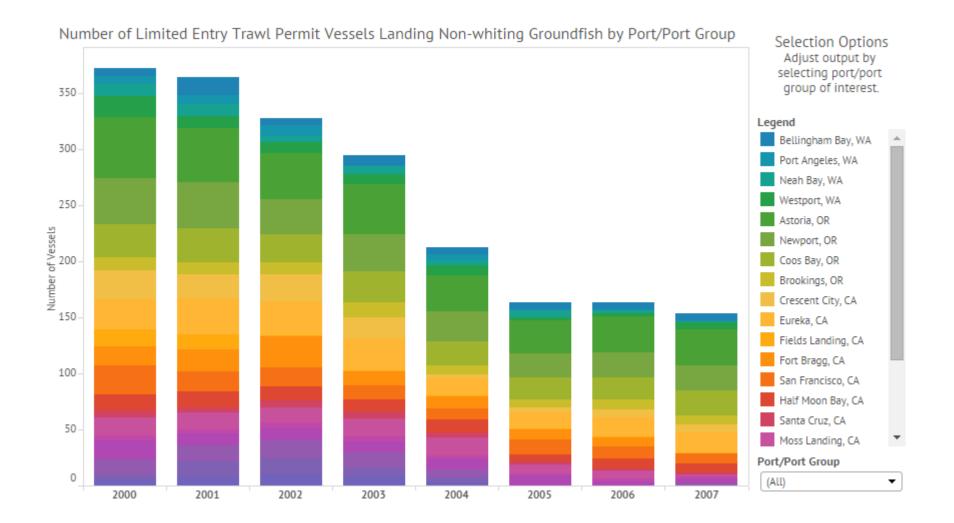
Gross Revenues for Primary Groundfish Species by Home Port State, OST Data

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Findings: Data Availability



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Findings: Masked Community Effects



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Next Steps

- Updates through Fishing Year
 2013
- Refinement of indicators based on data availability
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- Specialized data requests and obtaining "publically available" unpublished data
- Ethnographic fieldwork, including interviews with key stakeholders







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