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One fish, two fish, Gold fish, Blue fish: What happens when an unregulated fishery encroaches on a regulated one?

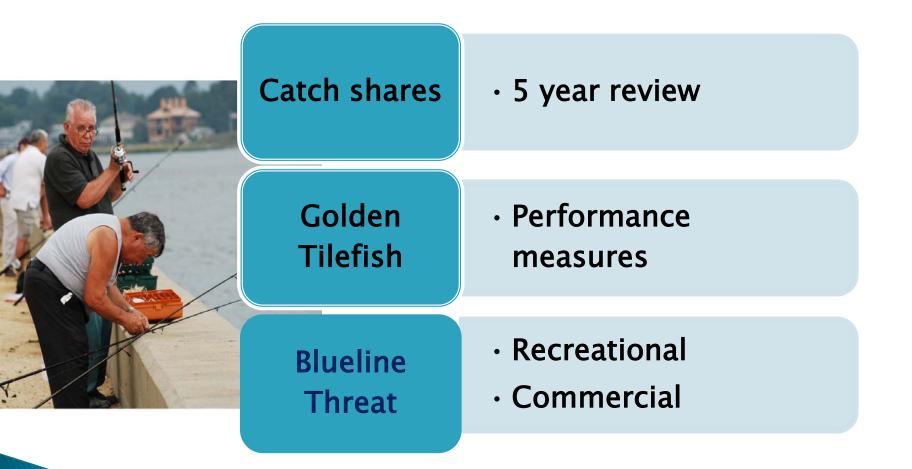
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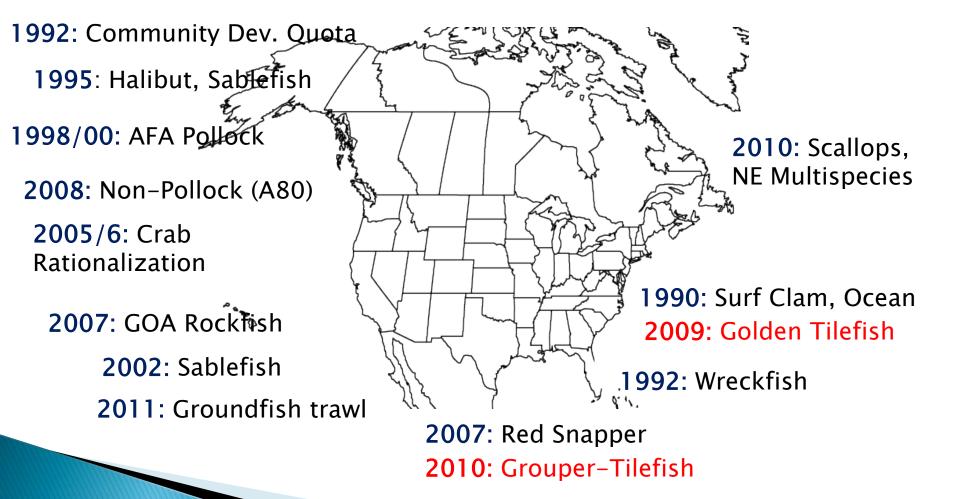
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Where I'm going

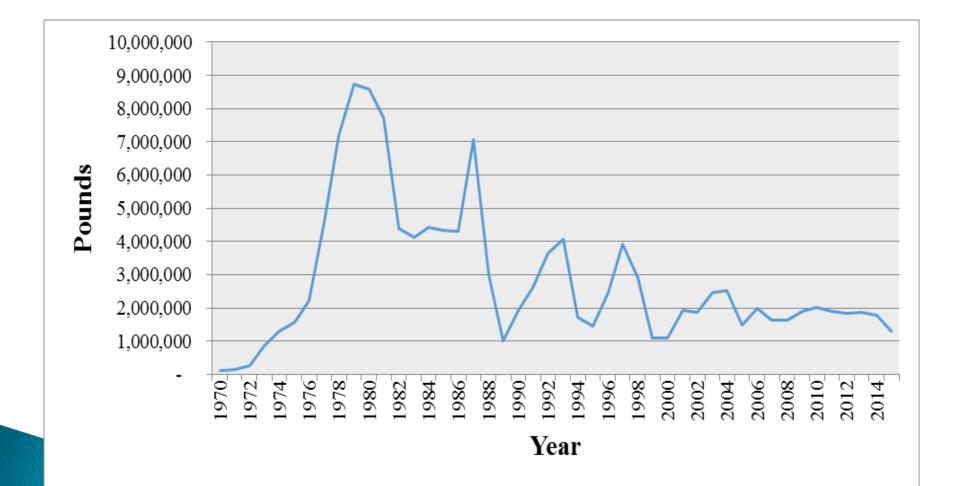


U.S. Catch share fisheries

1990-97: BC Sablefish, Halibut, Groundfish

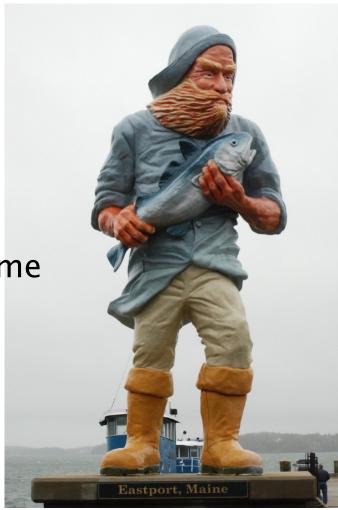


Commercial US Golden Tilefish landings (pounds) from Maine- Virginia,

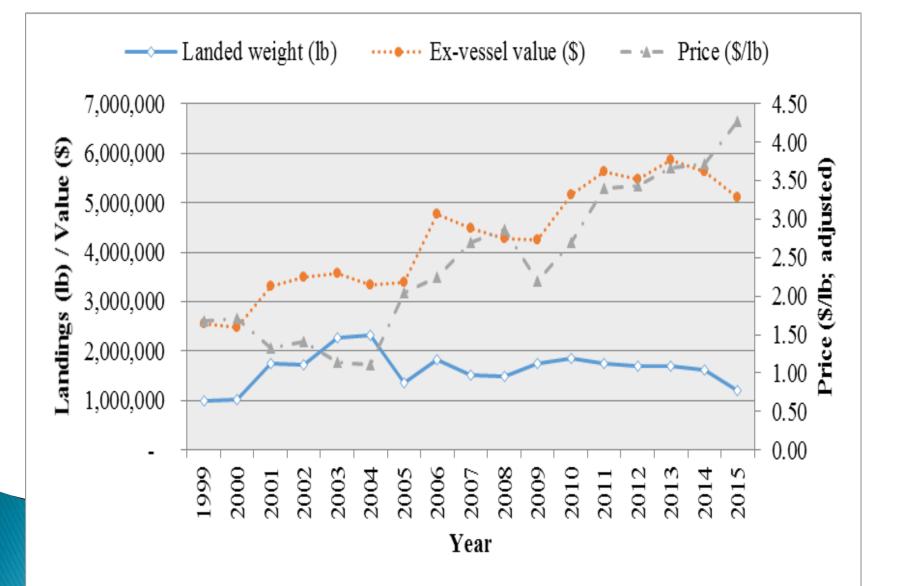


History

- > 2001 Original FMP
 - Allocate TAL into 4 GROUPS
 - FT1, FT2, PT, incidental
 - Fostered collaboration among some
 - Derby among others
- > 2009 Golden IFQ (2010 FY)
 - Allocate % quota to individual
 - NMFS gives IFQ allocation permit



Golden landings, value, & price



Review Topics

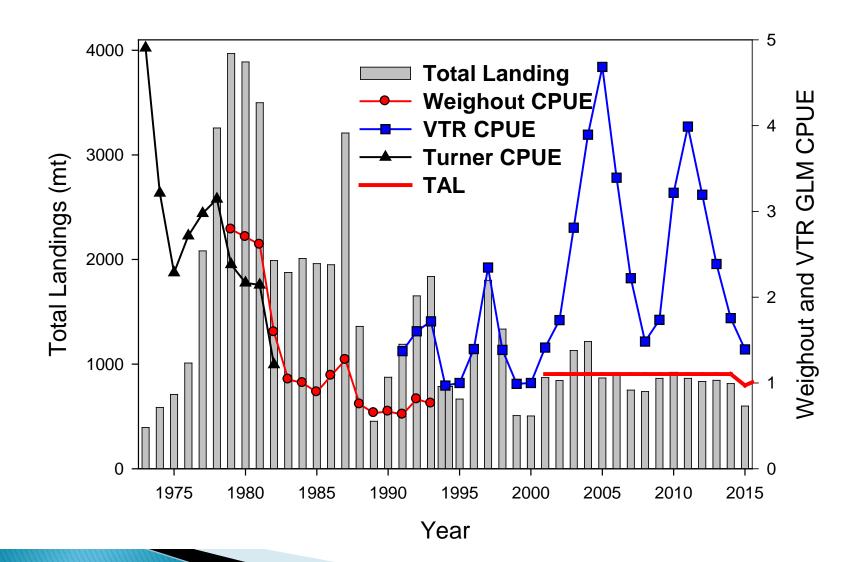
Goals and Objectives **Existing allocations Eligibility requirements Transferability Quota Performance** Accumulation limits/caps **Cost Recovery** Data collection, Monitoring, and Enforcement Duration **New Entrants** Auctions/Royalties

Review Topics

Are the current fishery regulations appropriate?

How could they be improved?

CPUE golden data



Performance Measures

- Quota allocated to CS program
- Aggregate Landings
- Entities holding share & allocation bet entities
- Num Active vessels; Trips; Days at sea
- Aggregate revenue from CS species
- from non-CS species
- Total Factor Productivity (Walden et al, 2014)
- Distributional effects
 - Gini coefficient

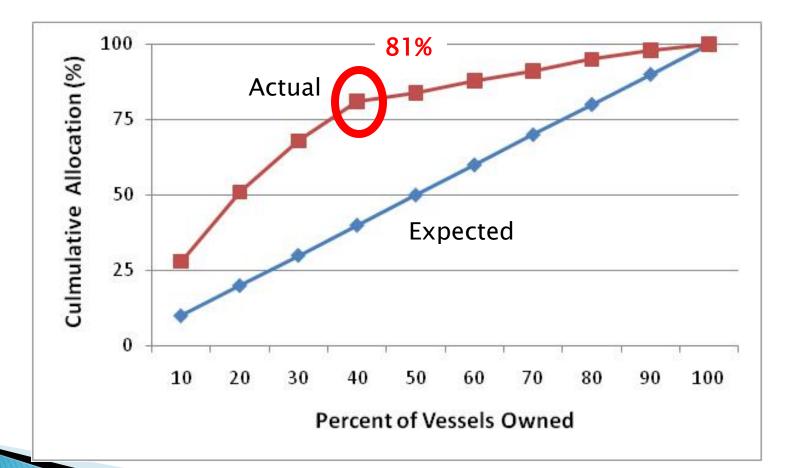


Behavior changes since IFQ

- Prices have become more stable
 - Still sensitive market
- Some costs down while others stayed same
 - Less fuel, hooks, bait, ice
 - Less wear and tear on gear
- Shorter, fewer trips
 - Increased efficiency
 - Greater flexibility
- Derby avoided



Concentration of Golden ownership



Blueline: An unregulated fishery?

Concern

- landings of Blueline Tilefish in the Mid-Atlantic increasing rapidly
- biological characteristics make it highly susceptible to depletion

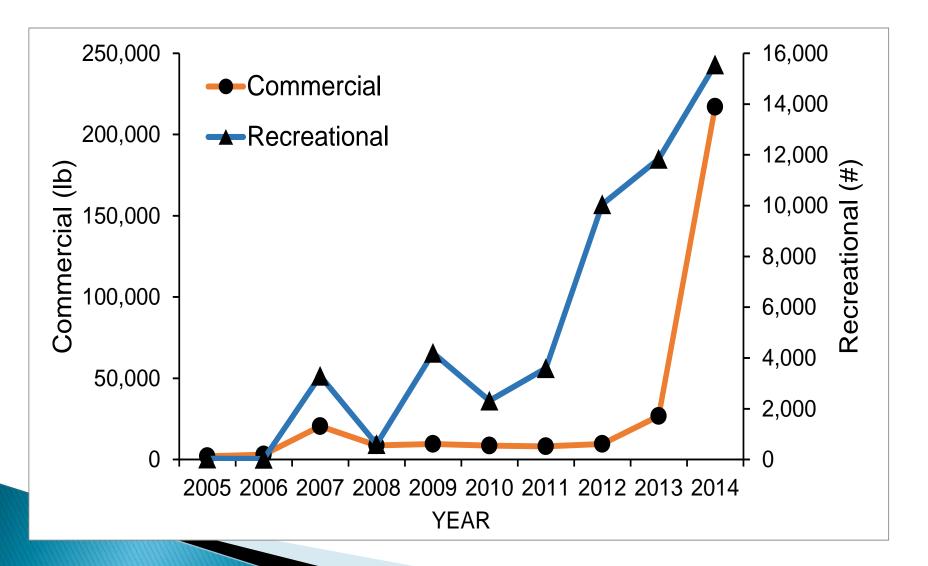
Council request EA : constrain landings

- Comm: 300 lbs. per trip
- Rec: 7 fish per person

New Amendment to Gold



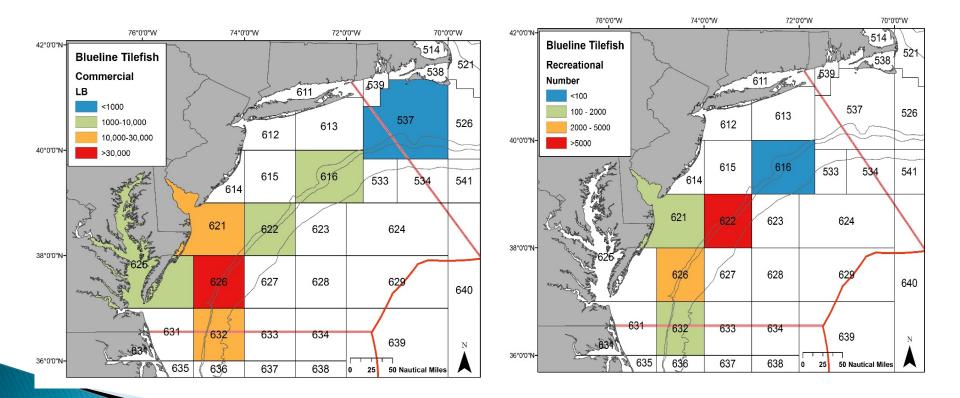
Blueline landings



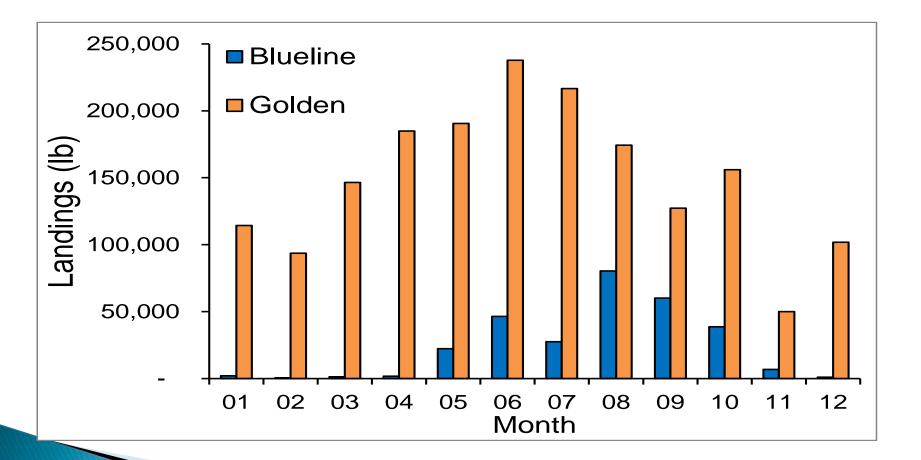
Blueline fishing locations, 2014

commercial

recreational



NE 2014 commercial landings by month



Still to do: Quota and allocation markets

- GARFO monitors perm or temp transfers-IFQ allocation transfer form
- Price transfer analysis

 Sales, leases, prices

 Allocation ratios

 Lease/purchase price
 Lease/ex-vessel rev

 Cost info & lay system: who bears cost?

Summary: food for thought

- Problems created when fish move into warmer waters.....
- Is this representative of future activity... due to climate change ?
- How will we respond?
- Differently than EAs?



