

# NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

## Management Report

to the NPFMC

December 8, 2004



**NOAA Fisheries**

National Marine Fisheries Service



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Status of FMP Amendments  
December 1, 2004

<b>FMP Amendment Status:</b> <u>Actions Since October 2004 Council Meeting</u>	<b>Date of Council Action</b>	<b>Start Regional Review</b>	<b>Transmittal Date of Action to NMFS HQ for Review</b>	<b>Proposed FMP Amendment Notice of Availability Published</b>	<b>Proposed Rule Published in Federal Register</b>	<b>Final Rule Published in Federal Register</b>
Amendment 10 (Scallop) – Change dredge restrictions for LLP		<b>PR: 11/3/04</b>				
Amendment 18/19 (KTC): Rationalization of the BSAI King and Tanner Crab Fisheries <b>Approved November 19, 2004</b>		PR: 6/24/04	NOA: August 25, 2004  <b>PR: October 8, 2004</b>	September 1, 2004 69 FR 53398 <u>Comment period ends November 1, 2004</u>	<b>October 29, 2004</b> <b>69 FR 63200</b> <u>Comment period ends December 13, 2004</u>	
Amendment 48/48: Revised harvest specification process <b>Approved October 12, 2004</b>	Oct 2003	PR: 4/20/04  FR: 9/24/04	PR: July 6, 2004  <b>FR: October 19, 2004</b>	July 14, 2004 69 FR 42128 <u>Comment period ends September 13, 2004</u>	July 27, 2004 69 FR 44634 <u>Comment period ends September 10, 2004</u>	<b>November 8, 2004</b> <b>69 FR 64683</b> <b>Effective December 8, 2004</b>
Amendments 62/62: Single Geographic Location and AFA housekeeping	Oct 2002	<b>PR: 10/15/04</b>				
Amend. 71a (BSAI): CDQ non-fisheries investments	June 2002	PR: 9/12/04				
Amend. 71b (BSAI): CDQ oversight	June 2002					
Amendment 72 (GOA): Remove flatfish IR/IU provisions	April 2003					
Amendment 79 (BSAI): Groundfish Retention Standard	June 2003					

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Amendment 82 (BSAI) – Aleutian Islands Pollock		PR: 8/23/04	<b>PR: November 8, 2004</b>	<b>November 16, 2004</b> 69 FR 67107 <u>Comment period ends January 18, 2005</u>	<b>December 7, 2004</b>	

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<b>Groundfish Regulations</b>					
DSR full retention and donation rule	June 1999 Reconsidered January 2003	PR: 11/3/03 FR: 7/21/04	PR: December 15, 2003 <b>FR: November 4, 2004</b>	January 21, 2004 69 FR 2875 <u>Comment period ends February 20, 2004</u>	<b>November 23, 2004</b> <b>69 FR 68095</b> <u>Effective December 23, 2004</u>
Revise species codes (Table 2)	NMFS	PR: 10/10/03			
Revise SSL protection measures in GOA	June 2004	PR: 6/23/04 <b>FR: 10/26/04</b>	PR: August 26, 2004 <b>FR: November 23, 2004</b>	September 21, 2004 69 FR 55782 Comment period ends October 21, 2004	

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IFQ Cost Recovery Fee Notice		<b>Notice: 11/19/04</b>			
Revise CDQ regs. on quota transfers, eligible vessels and alternative fishing plans	June 2002	<b>PR: 6/14/04</b>	<b>PR: November 4, 2004</b>	<b>November 26, 2004</b> <b>69 FR 68865</b> <u>Comment period ends</u> <u>December 27, 2004</u>	
<b>Halibut Regulations</b>					
Halibut charter boat IFQ	April 2001; October 2001				
Subsistence Halibut II	April 2002; Oct. 2002	PR: 1/28/04	PR: May 18, 2004	July 9, 2004 69 FR 41447 <u>Comment period ends</u> <u>August 9, 2004</u>	
<b>Harvest Specifications</b>					
Interim GOA specifications		<b>FR: 10/22/04</b>	<b>FR: November 19, 2004</b>		
Interim BSAI specifications		<b>FR: 10/28/04</b>	<b>FR: November 19, 2004</b>		
Proposed BSAI groundfish harvest specifications		<b>PR: 10/21/04</b>	<b>PR: November 19, 2004</b>		
Proposed GOA groundfish harvest specifications		<b>PR: 10/18/04</b>	<b>PR: November 19, 2004</b>		



# Reinitiation of Consultation on Salmon Bycatch

- The 1999 Salmon BiOp has an incidental take statement (ITS) of 55,000 Chinook salmon for the BSAI groundfish fishery.
- Chinook salmon bycatch in the BSAI groundfish fishery has been steadily increasing since 1999. We do not know if this is because of changes in abundance or location of salmon or changes in fishing practices.
- The ITS for Chinook salmon was exceeded the week of Oct. 23-30.
- 62,471 Chinook salmon were taken in the BSAI groundfish fishery as of Nov. 15, 2004, primarily in the pollock trawl fishery.



## Salmon Consultation (Cont)

- On Dec. 1, NMFS Alaska Region reinitiated formal consultation with NMFS NW Region due to Chinook salmon bycatch over the ITS, a consultation trigger.
- Initiative to reduce bycatch in 2005:
  - Continued development of the salmon excluder device through one or more EFPs
  - Evaluation of current salmon bycatch management measures. (On Council's agenda)
- Not sure at this time the possible outcome of the consultation. The ITS is not likely to change. The reasonable and prudent measures may change to ensure better control on the amount of salmon bycatch.



# Alaska Region

## National Marine Fisheries Service

### Inseason Management Report

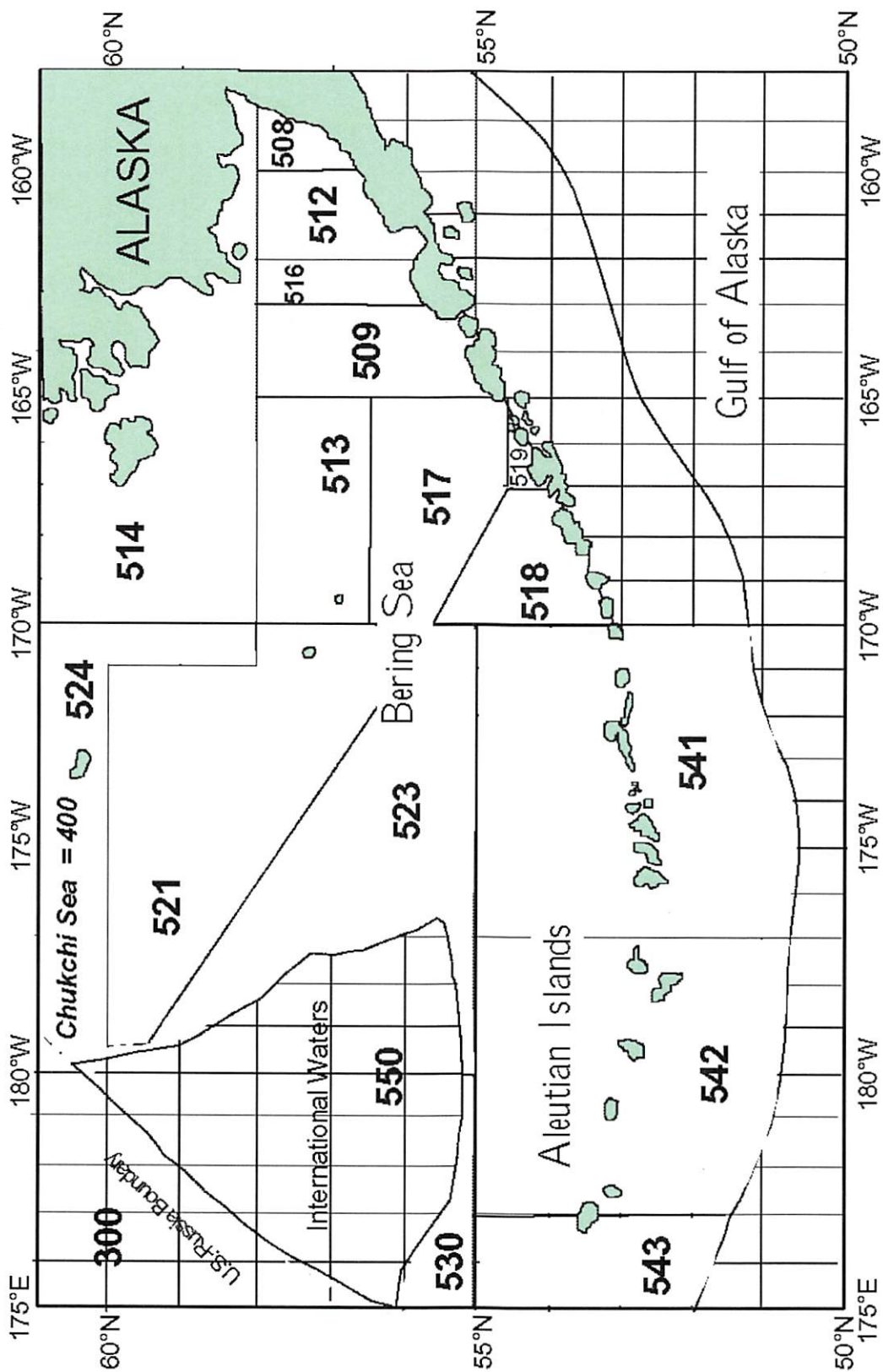
### December 2004



Catch data are through November 20, 2004  
Unless labeled it does not include CDQ

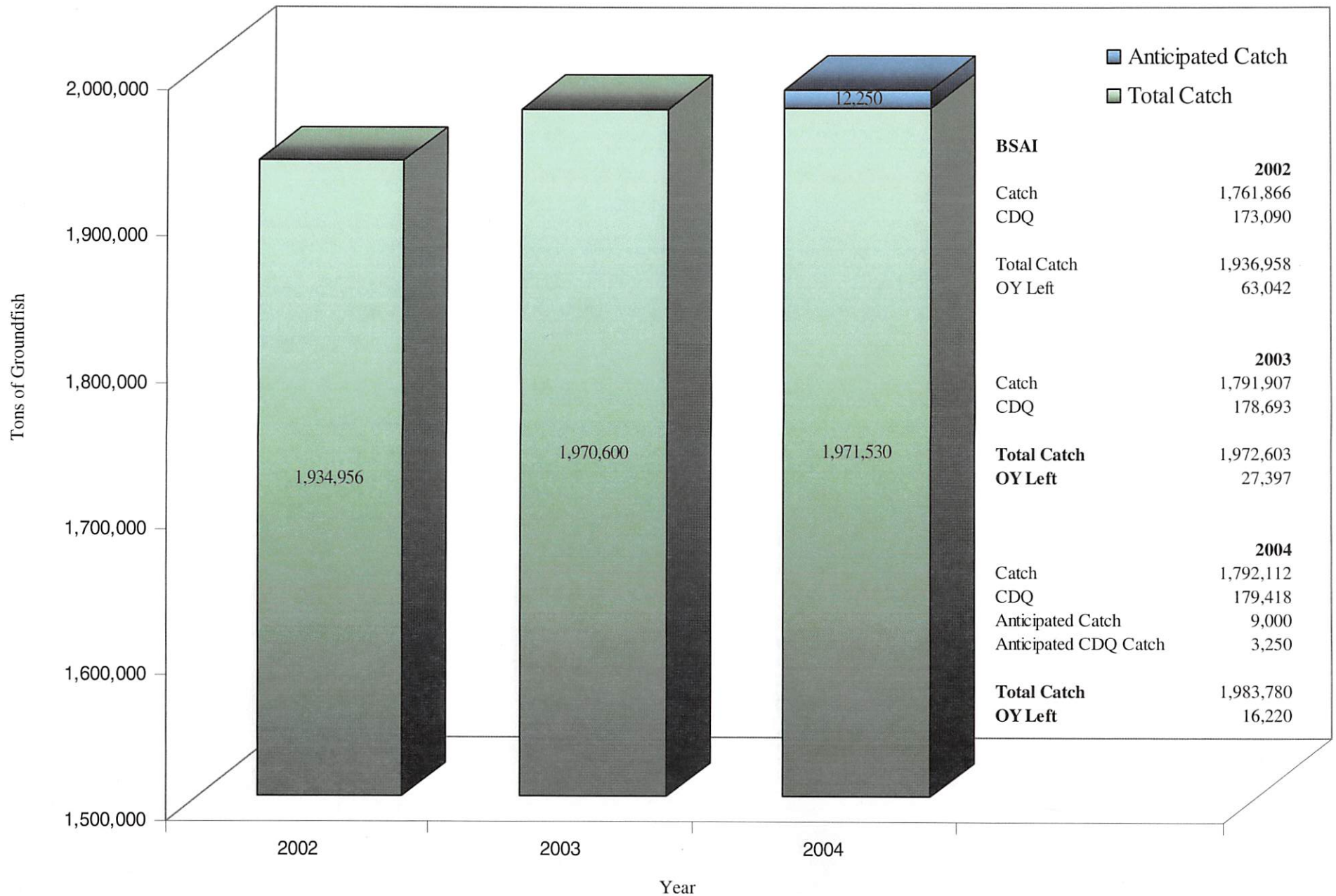
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# BSAI Reporting Areas





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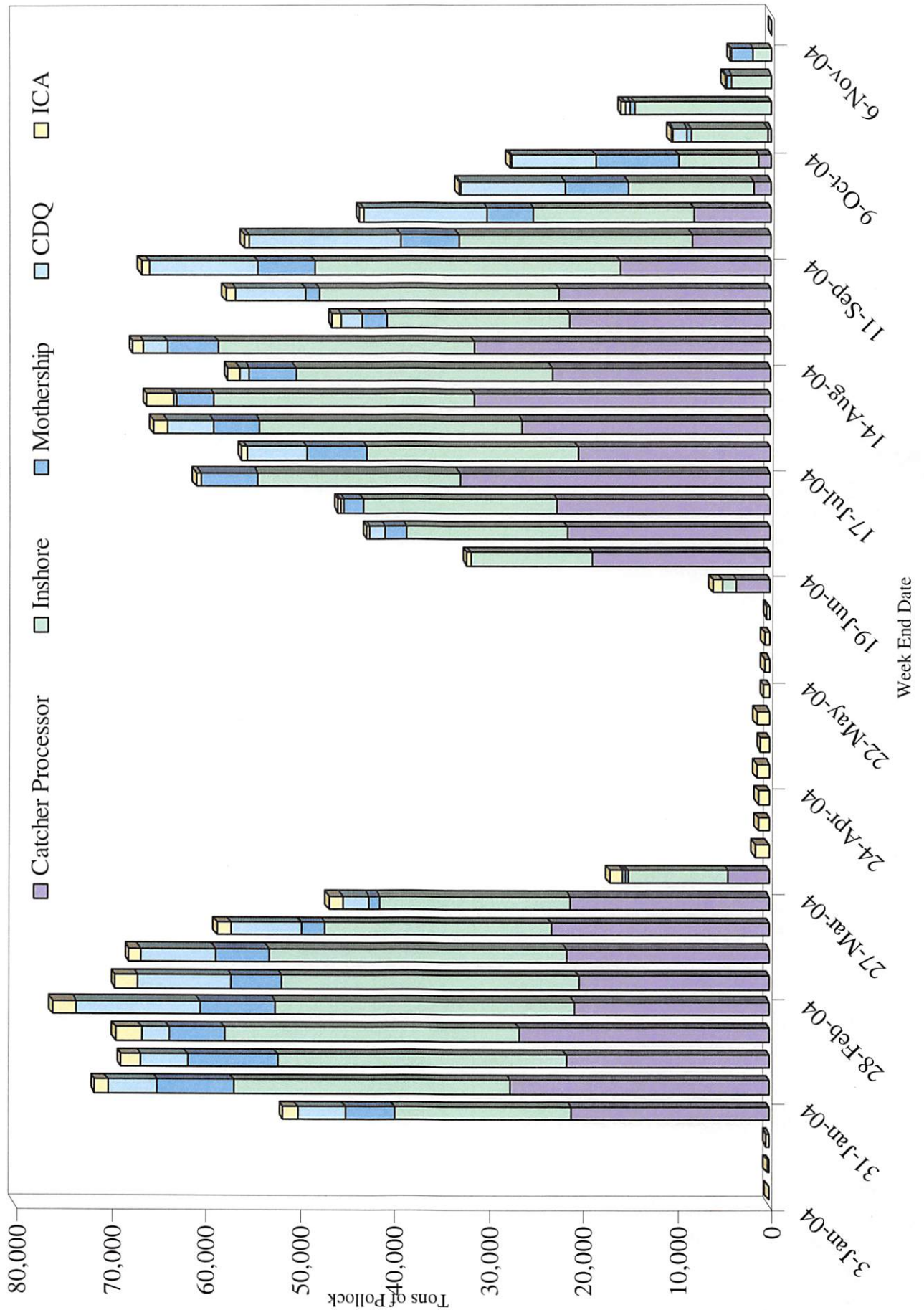


# 2004 Bering Sea Pollock Catch by Sector Component

<b>Fishery Component</b>	<b>TAC</b>	<b>Catch</b>
<b>Inshore</b>	649,580	638,467
<b>Catcher Processor</b>	519,664	519,667
<b>Mothership</b>	129,916	129,174
<b>Incidental Catch</b>	43,691	44,039
<b>CDQ</b>	149,200	149,170
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,492,051	1,480,517

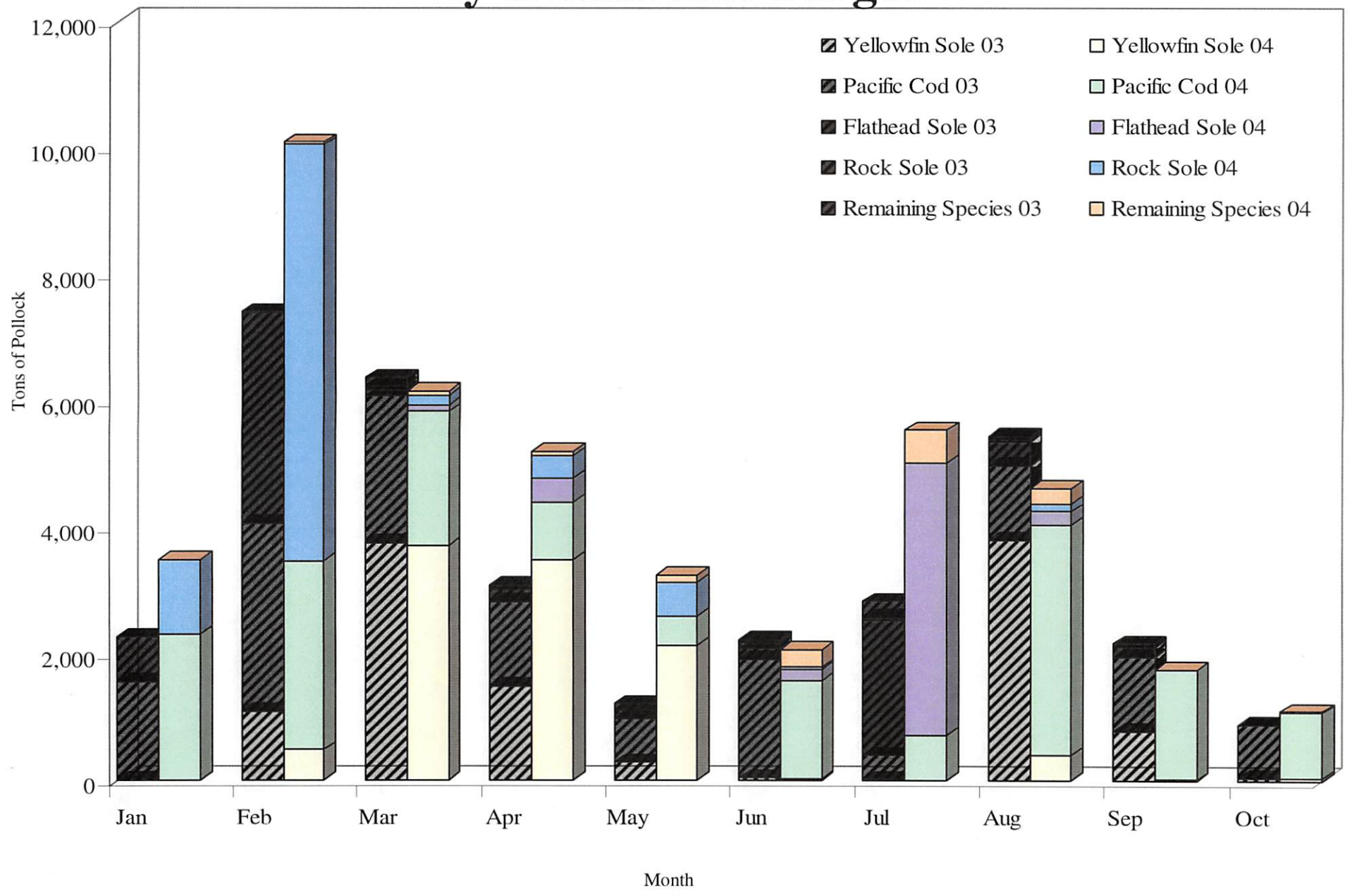


# 2004 BSAI Pollock Catch by Week and Sector

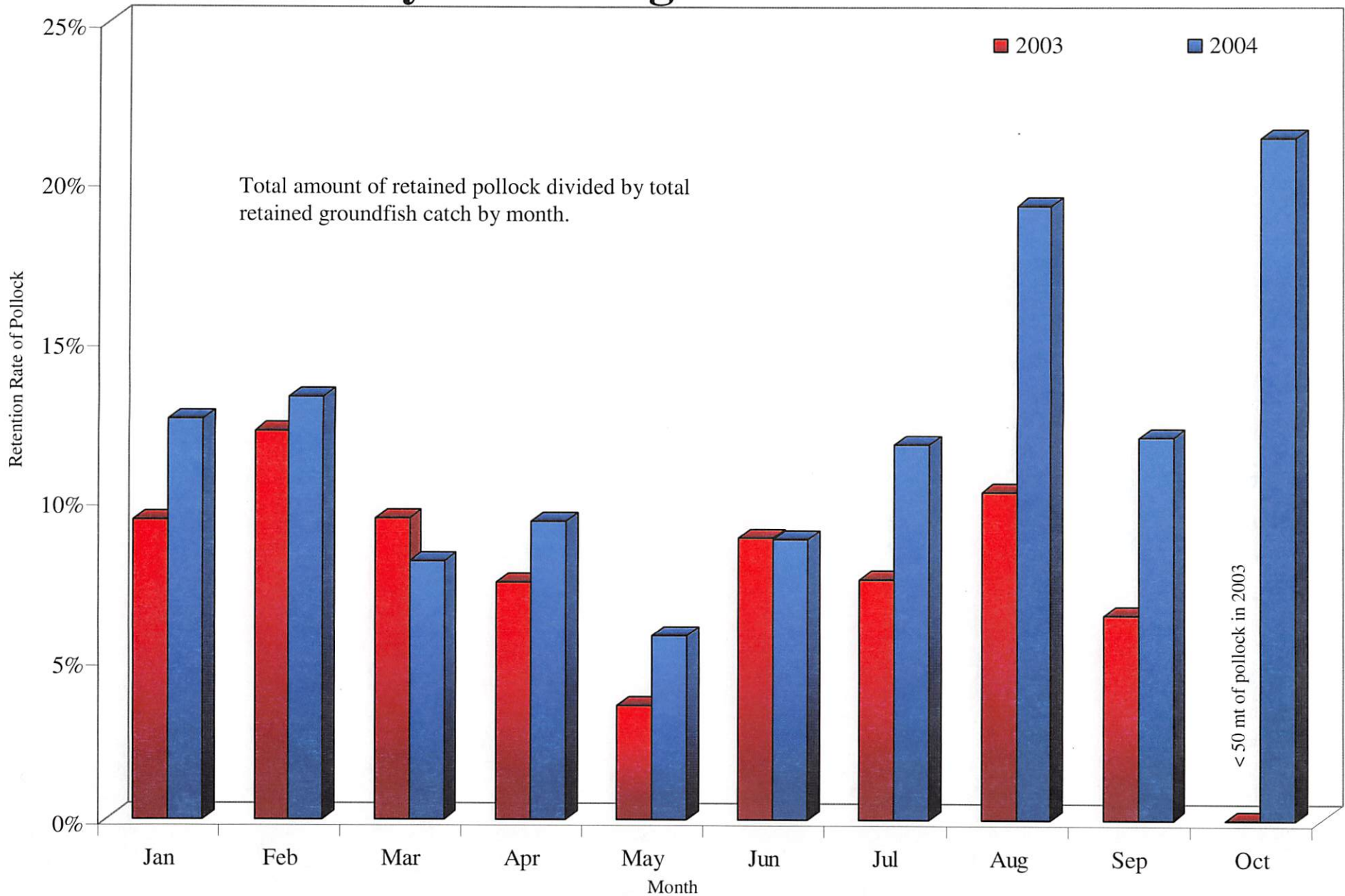




# 2003/2004 Pollock Incidental Catch Allowance Catch by Month and Target



# 2003/2004 Retention Rate of Pollock by Non Pelagic Trawl Gear

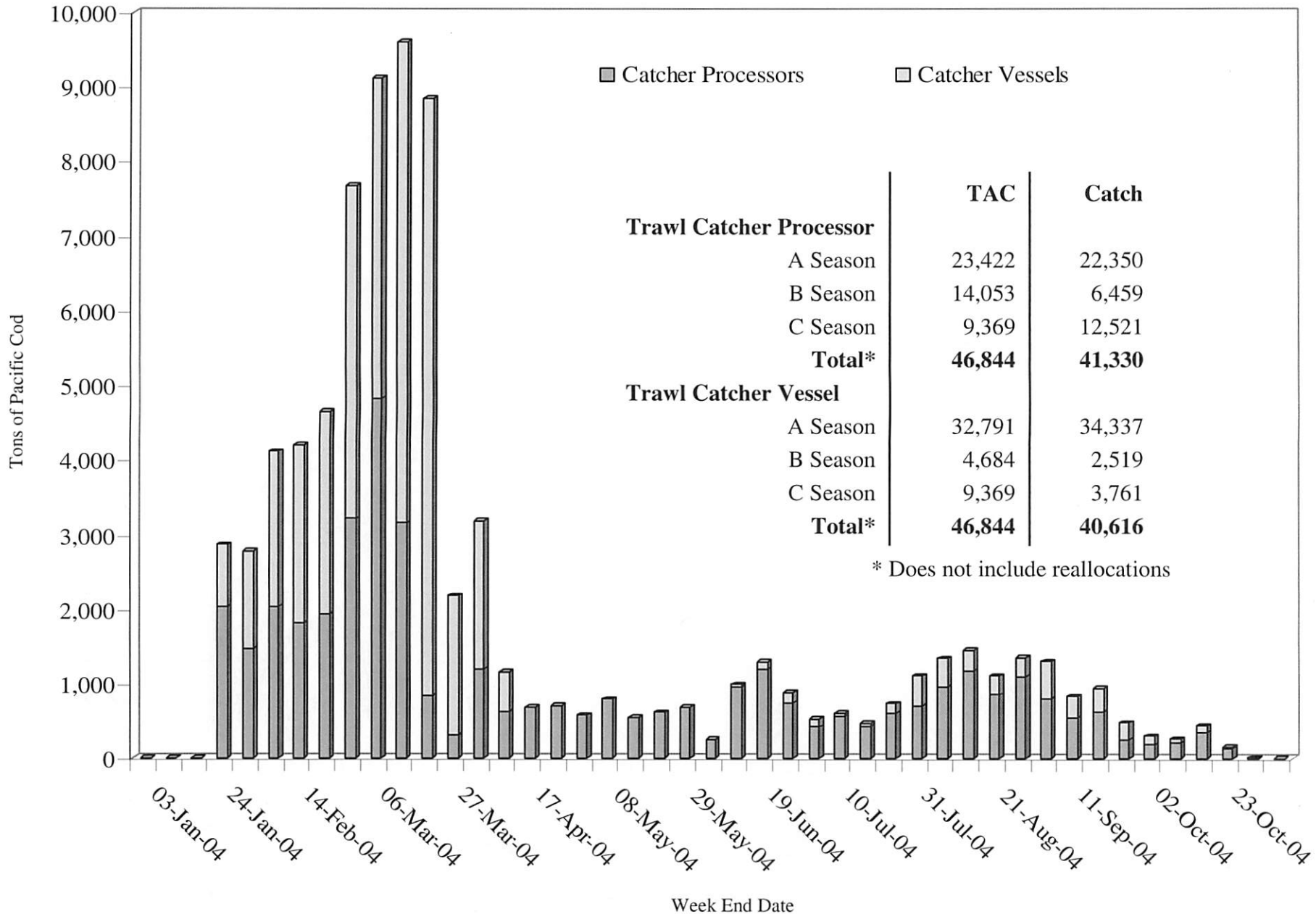


# 2004 BSAI Pacific Cod Apportionments & Catch

Fishery Component	TAC <sup>1/</sup>	Catch
<b>Hook and Line Gear / Pot Gear</b>		
H&L Catcher Processor	97,795	93,653
H&L Catcher Vessel	303	251
Pot Catcher Processor	3,452	3,234
Pot Catcher Vessel	11,735	12,299
H&L & Pot Catcher Vessels < 60	2,961	1,925
<b>Trawl Gear</b>		
Trawl Catcher Processor	41,431	41,330
Trawl Catcher Vessel	40,717	40,616
<b>Jig Gear</b>		
	2% allocation = 442 So rollover	214
<b>CDQ</b>	16,163	12,906
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>215,500</b>	<b>206,428</b>

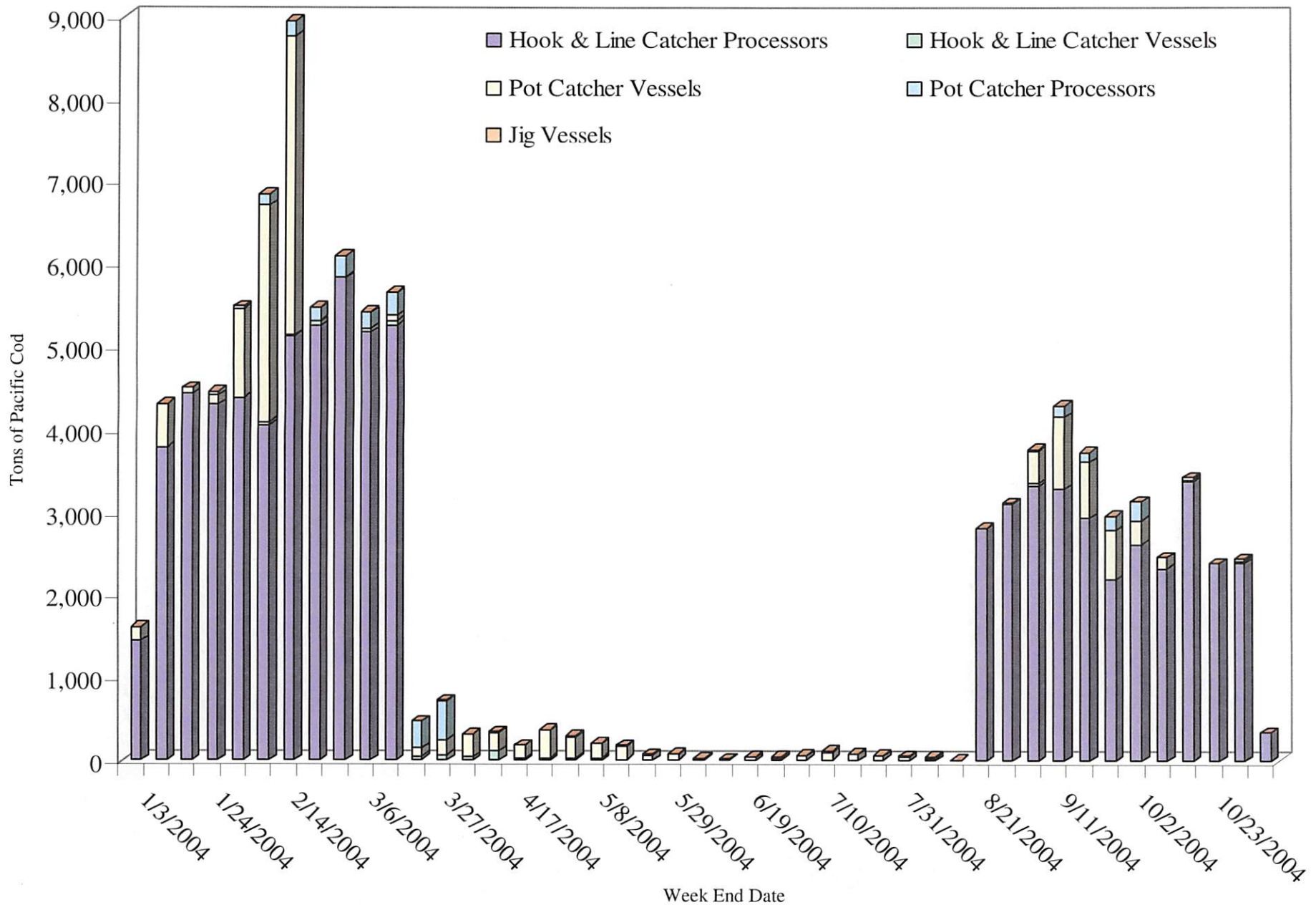
<sup>1/</sup>Includes reallocations in April, October and November

# 2004 BSAI Trawl Pacific Cod Catch

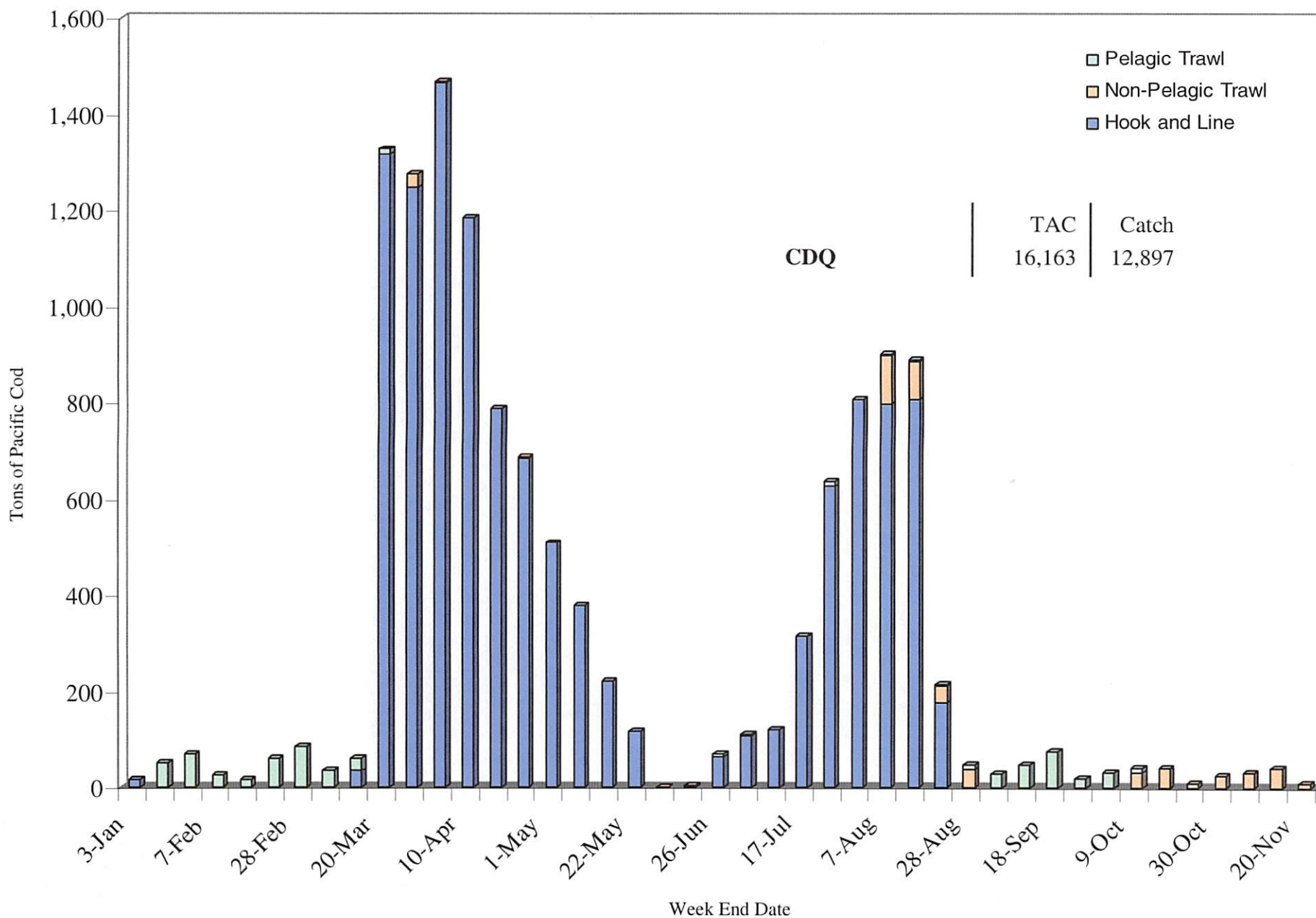




# 2004 BSAI H&L, Pot, Jig Pacific Cod Catch



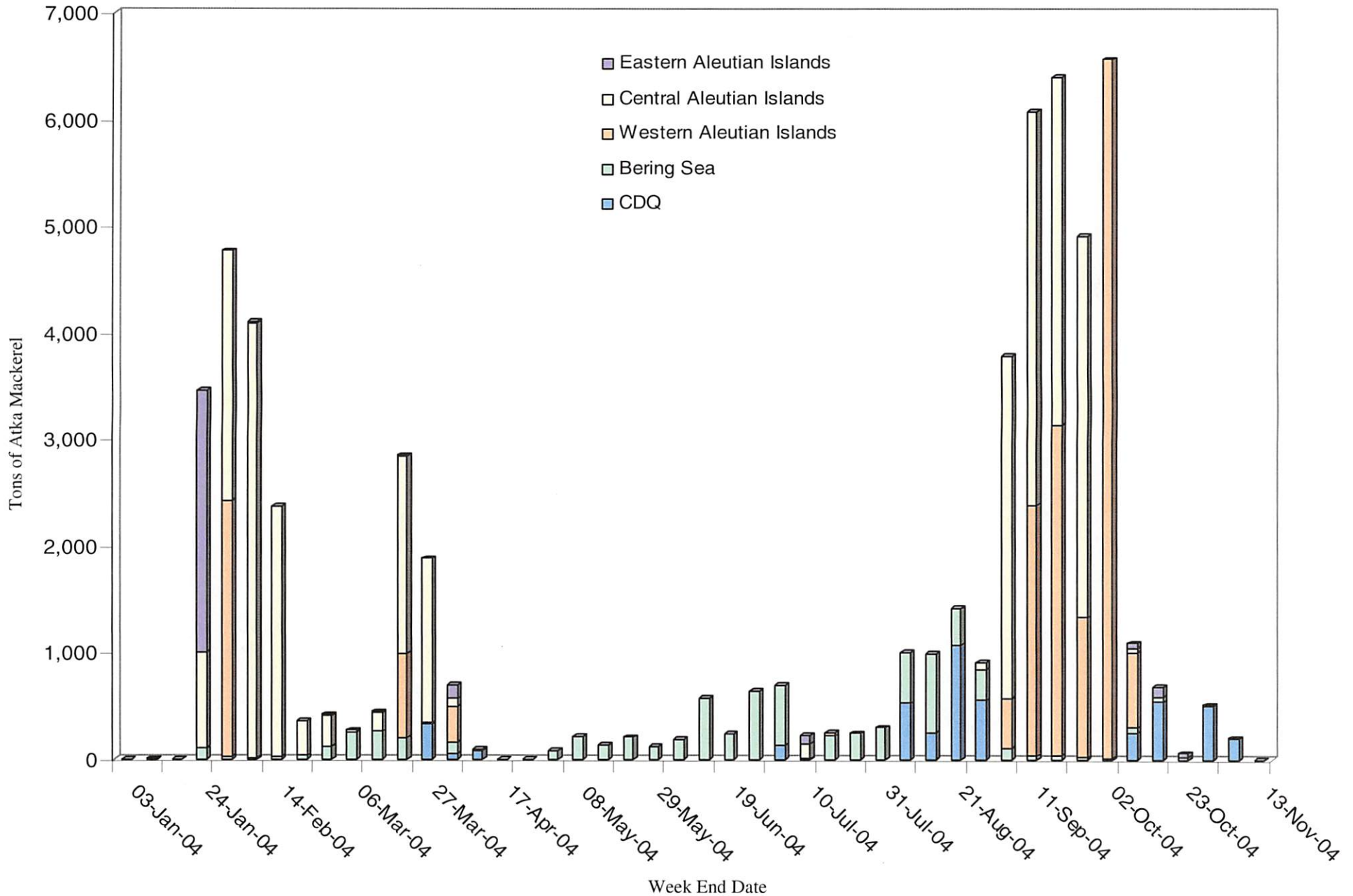
# 2004 BSAI CDQ Pacific Cod Catch



# 2004 Atka Mackerel Apportionments and Catch

<b>Fishery</b>	<b>TAC</b>	<b>Catch</b>
Eastern Aleutian Islands/Bering Sea (other gear)	10,293	9,959
Central Aleutian Islands		
TAC	28,768	27,919
HLA Limit	17,260	13,989
Western Aleutian Islands		
TAC	19,111	18,085
HLA Limit	11,466	2,519
CDQ		
Eastern AI	843	777
Central AI	2,333	2,248
Western AI	1,550	1,476
<b>Total</b>	<b>62,896</b>	<b>58,109</b>

# 2004 Atka Mackerel Catch by Week and Area



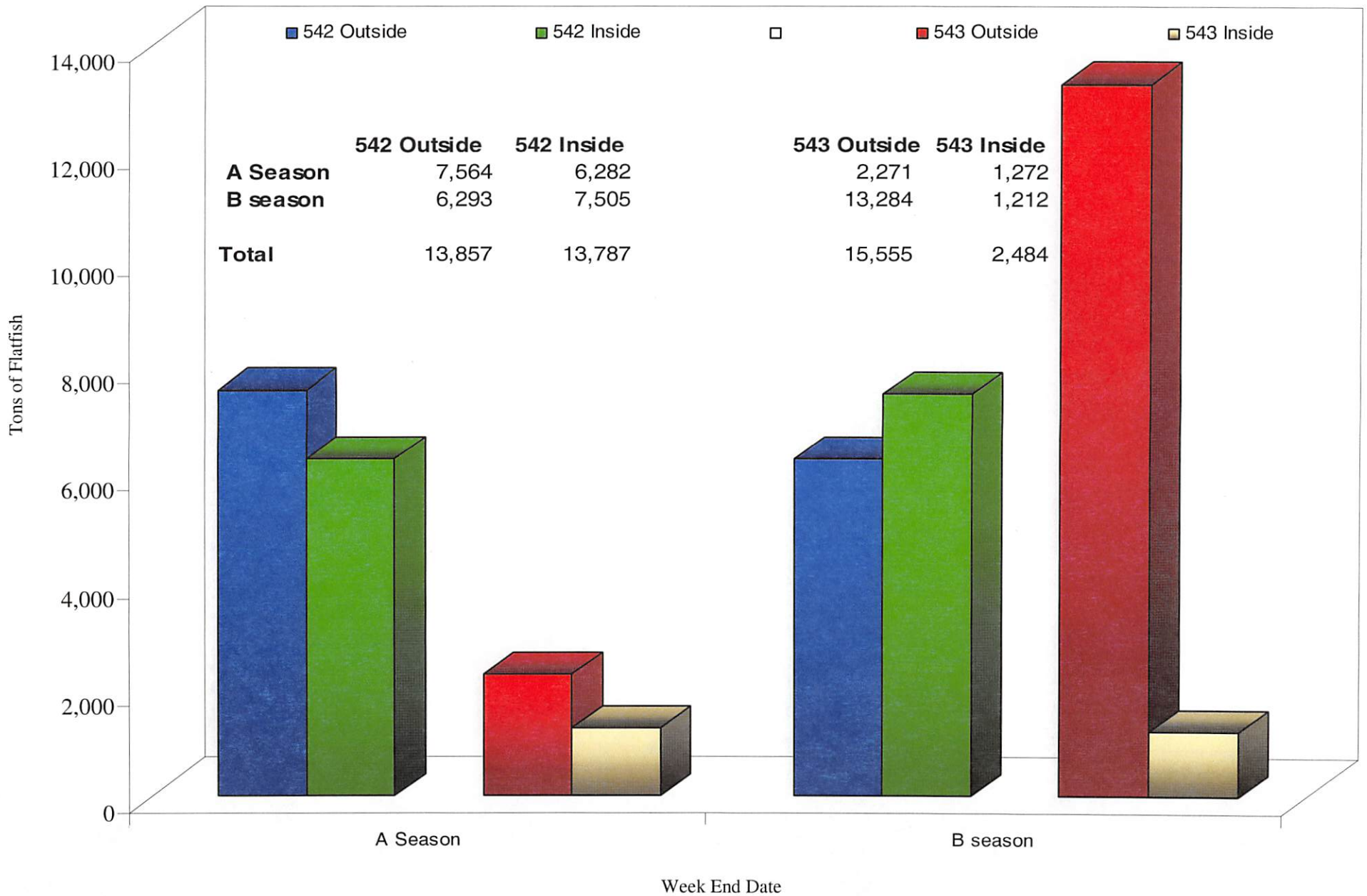


## 2004 Area 542 & 543 Harvest Limitation Area Fishery

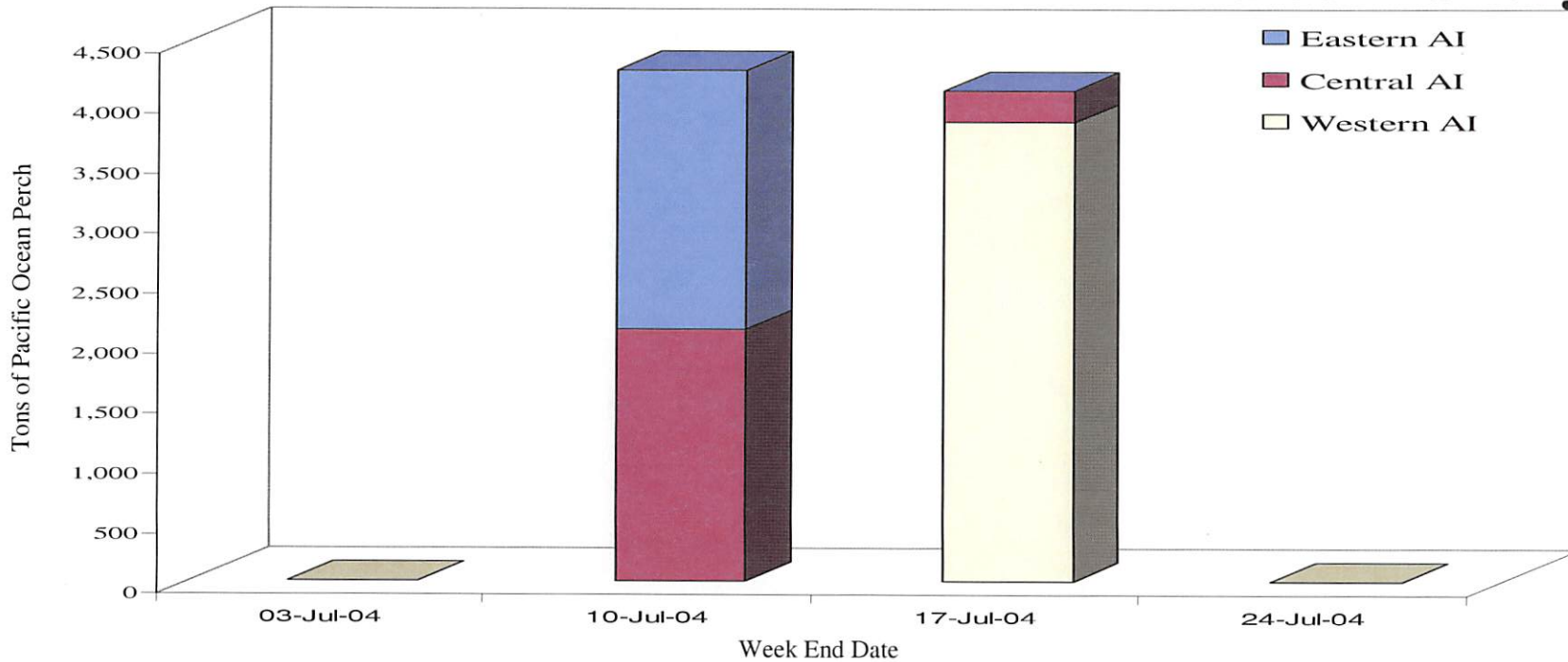
HLA	Vessels	Fishery Dates			
		Area 542		Area 543	
		Open	Close	Open	Close
HLA 1	<i>Alaska Spirit</i> <i>Alaska Ranger</i> <i>Alaska Juris</i>	24-Jan	2-Feb	4-Feb	13-Feb
HLA 2	<i>Alaska Victory</i> <i>Alaska Warrior</i> <i>Seafisher</i>	4-Feb	13-Feb	24-Jan	30-Jan
HLA 1	<i>Alaska Juris</i> <i>Alasak Victory</i> <i>Ocean Peace</i> <i>Seafisher</i> <i>American No. 1</i> *	3-Sep	11-Sep	13-Sep	21-Sep
HLA 2	<i>Alaska Ranger</i> <i>Alaska Spirit</i> <i>Alaska Warrior</i> <i>Seafreeze AK</i>	13-Sep	21-Sep	3-Sep	11-Sep

\* - American No. 1 did not participate in the fall HLA fishery in Area 543

# 2004 Inside/Outside HLA Atka Mackerel Catch



# 2004 BSAI Pacific Ocean Perch Directed Fishery

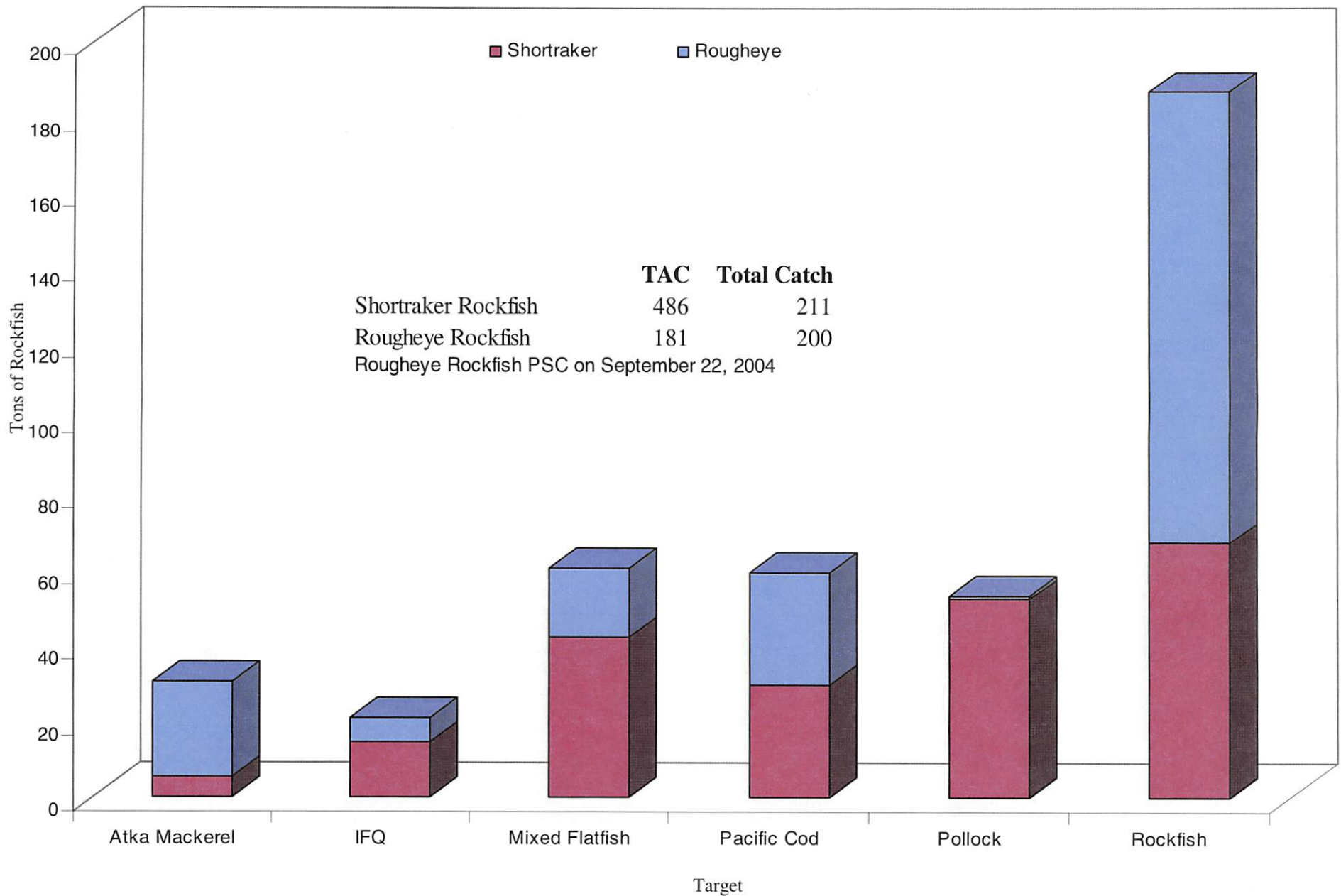


<b>Fishery</b>	<b>TAC</b>	<b>Catch</b>	<b>Open</b>	<b>Close</b>
<b>Eastern</b>				
	2,829	2,371	July 4	July 8
CDQ	229	165		
<b>Central</b>				
	2,706	2,973	July 4	July 11
CDQ	219	170		
<b>Western</b>				
	4,798	5,149	July 4	July 16
CDQ	389	336		

CDQ catch occurs throughout the year.

Non CDQ catch includes incidental catch of POP in other targets

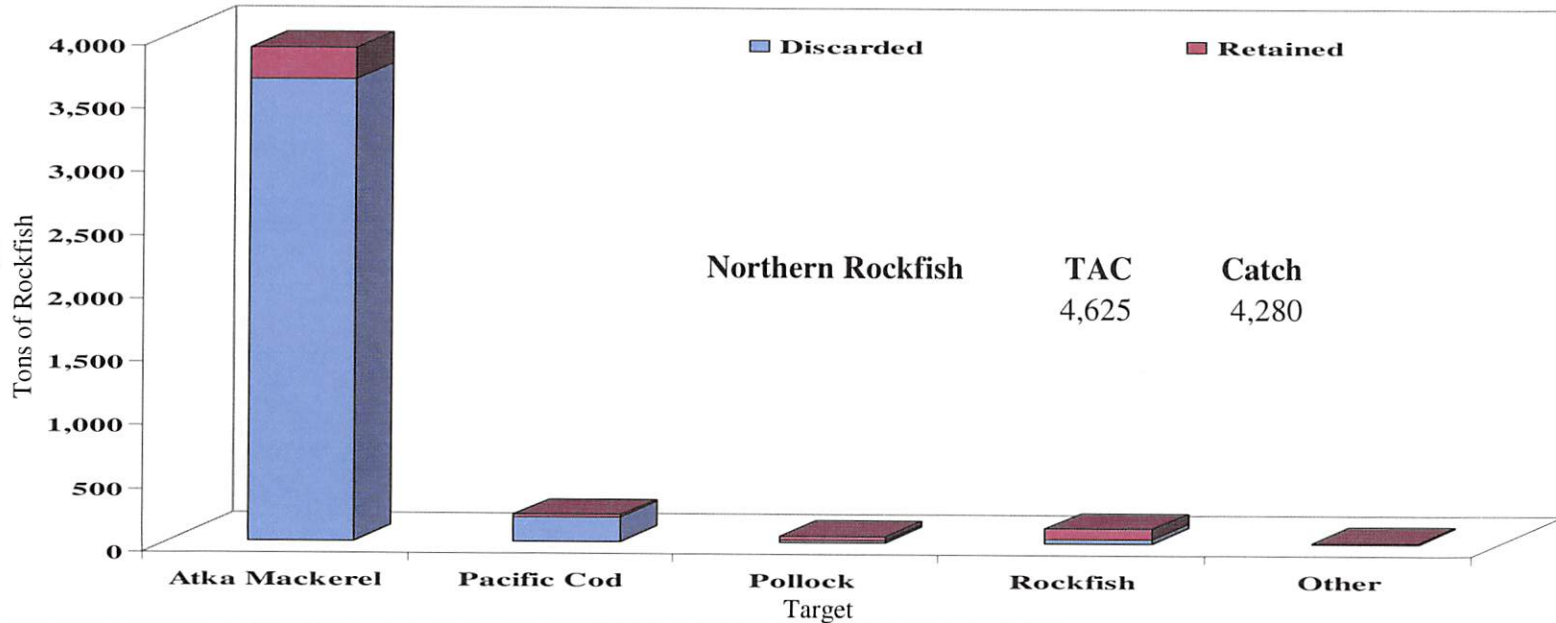
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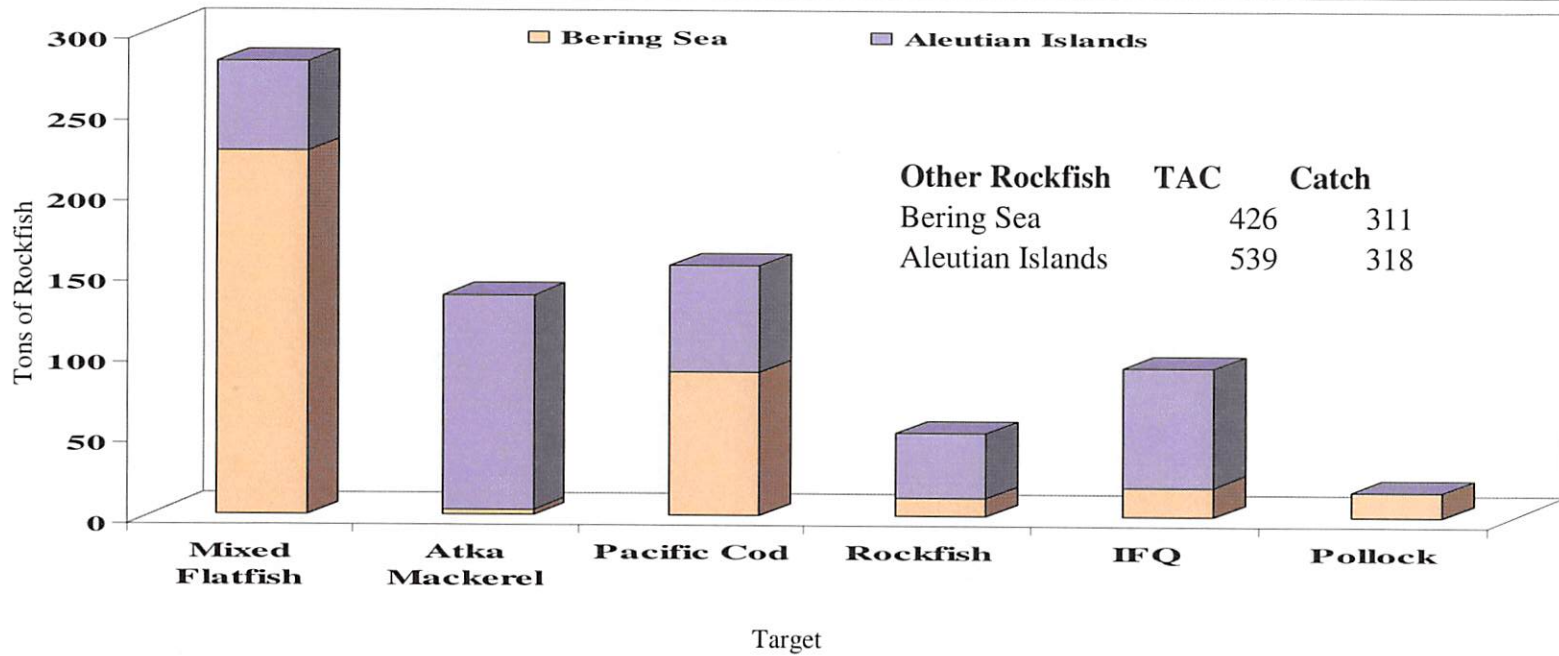
# 2004 BSAI Rockfish Catch

## Northern Rockfish



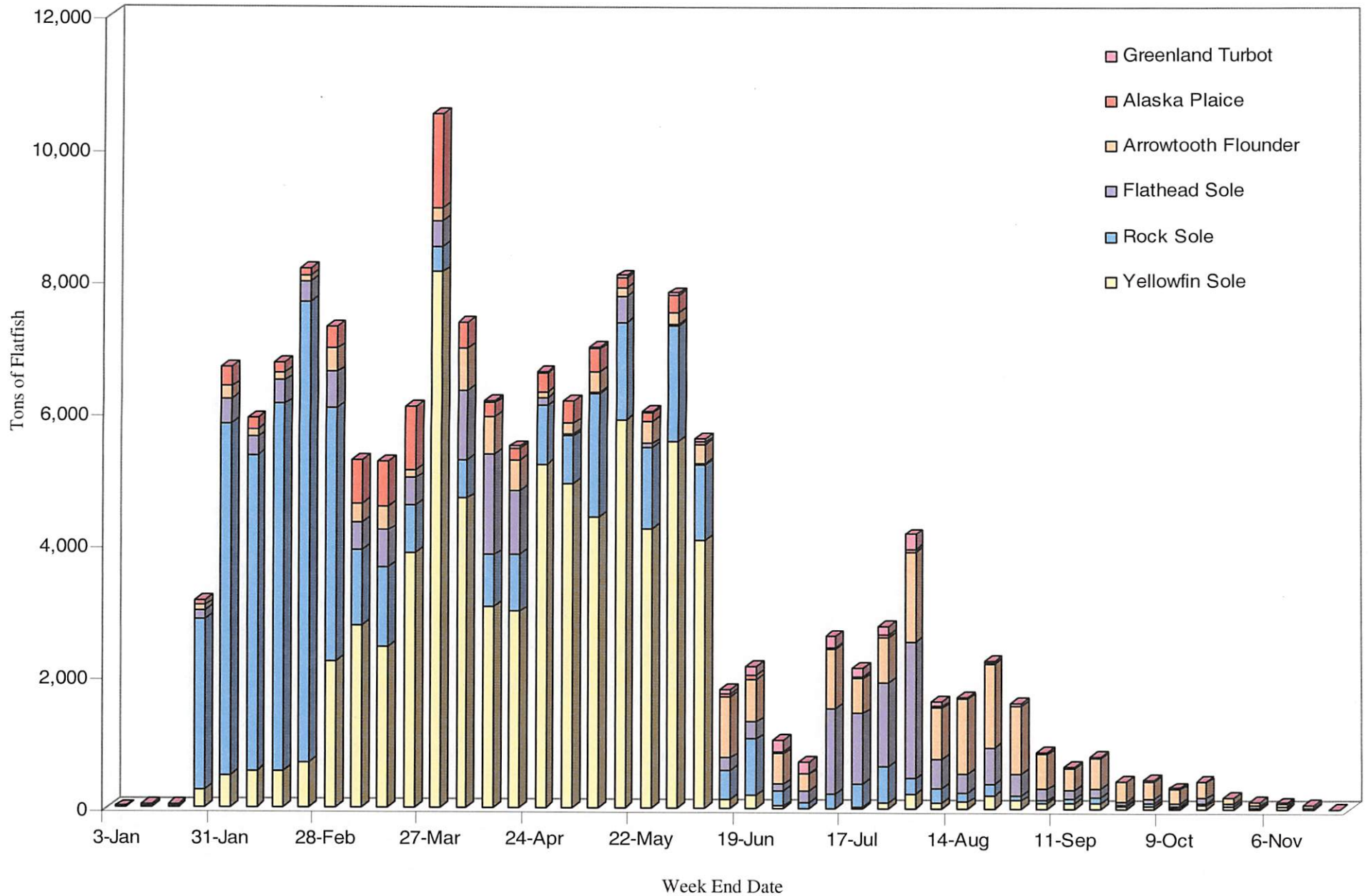
Northern Rockfish	TAC	Catch
	4,625	4,280

## Other Rockfish

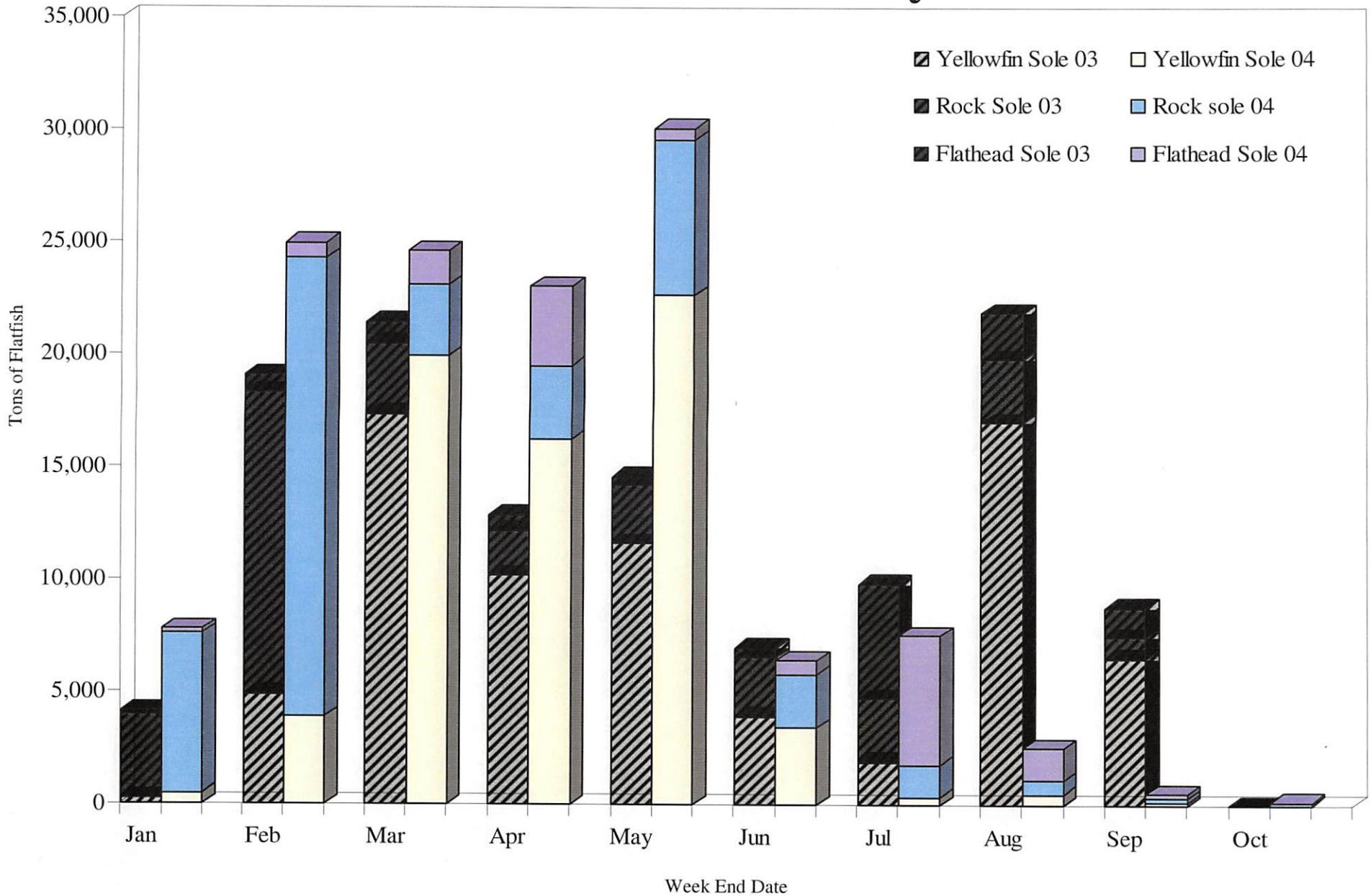


Other Rockfish	TAC	Catch
Bering Sea	426	311
Aleutian Islands	539	318

# 2004 BSAI Flatfish Catch Aggregate By Week

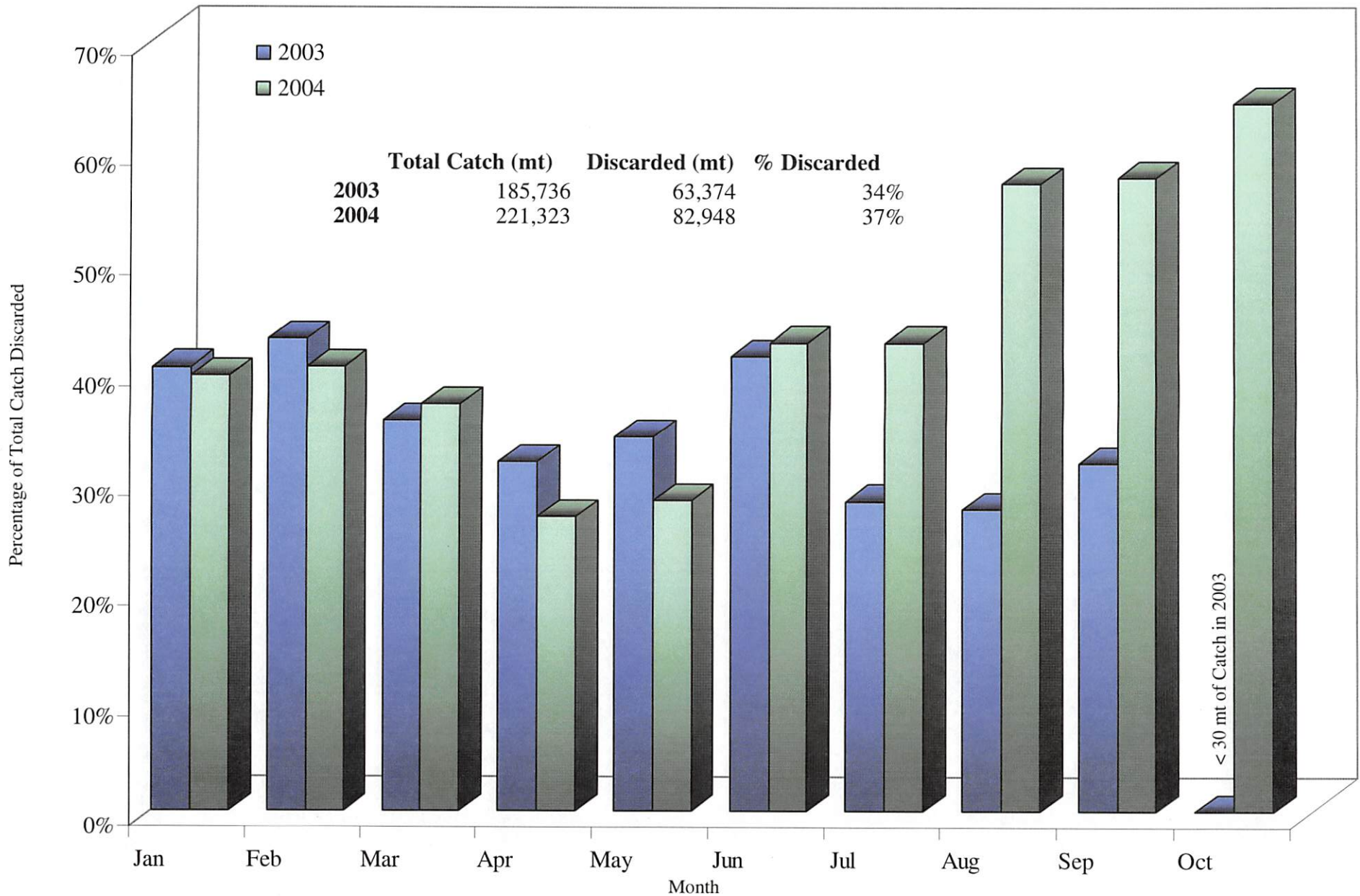


# 2003/2004 BSAI Yellowfin Sole, Rock Sole and Flathead Sole Catch by Month



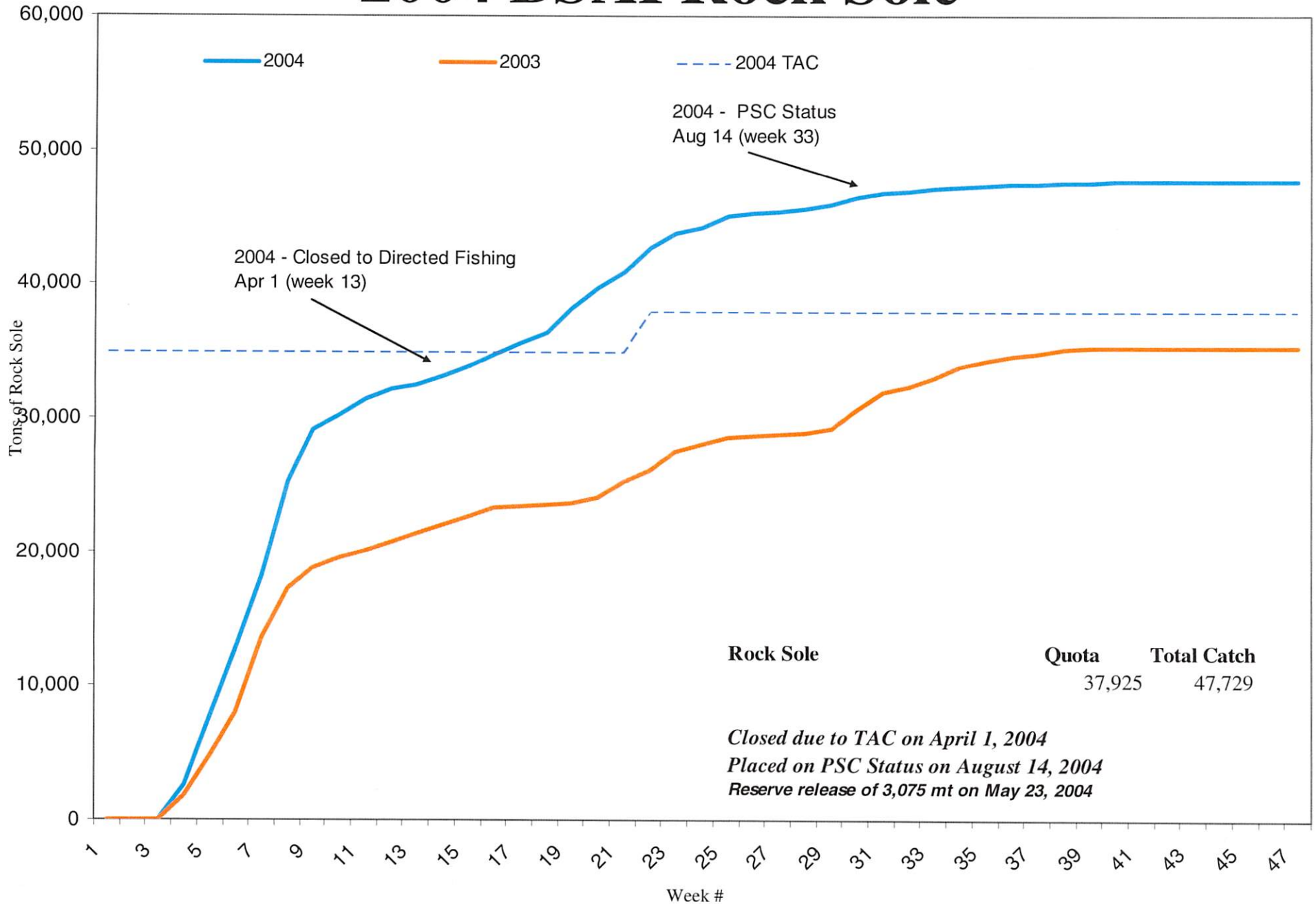


# Bering Sea Percentage of Groundfish Discards By the Non Pelagic Trawl Fleet



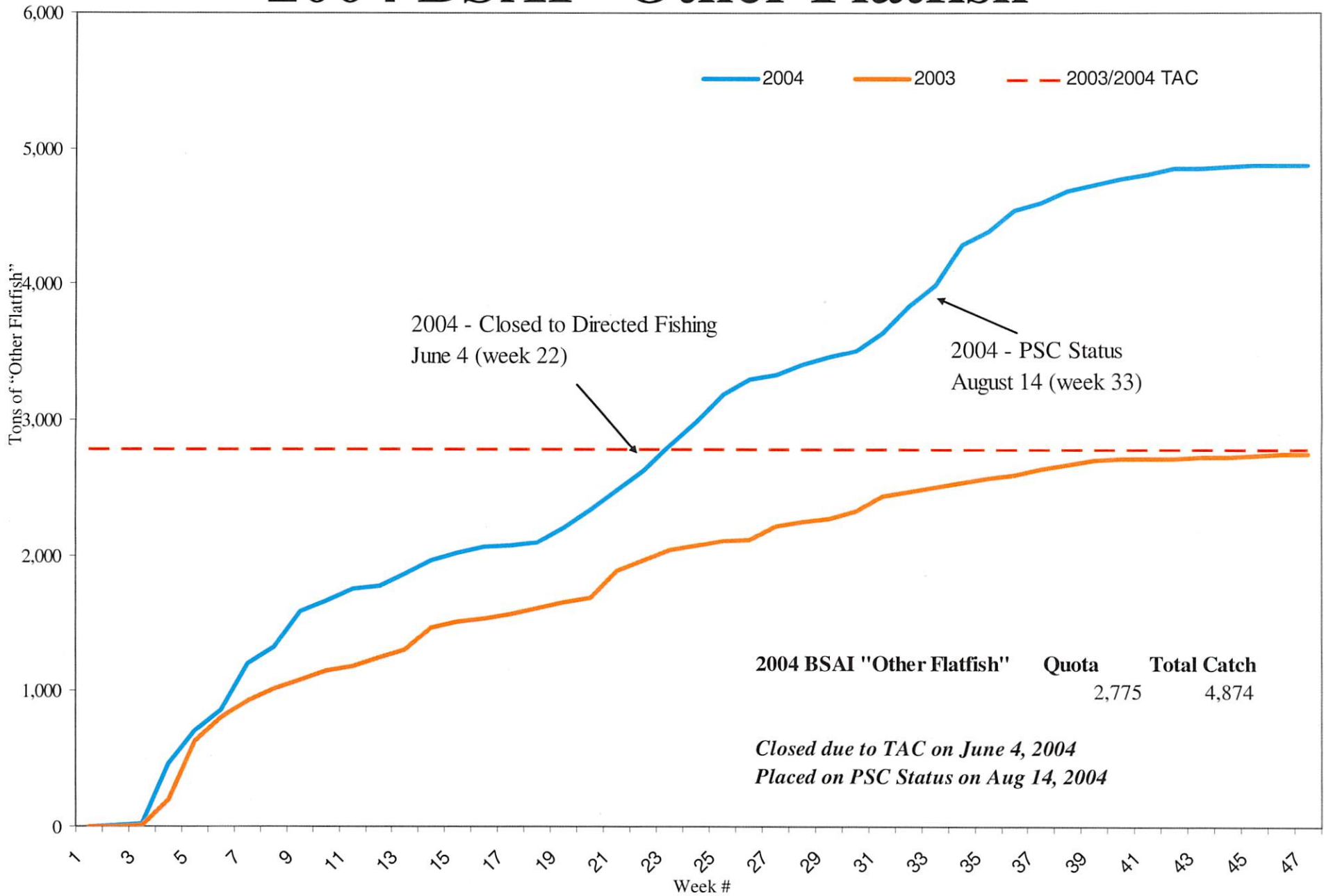


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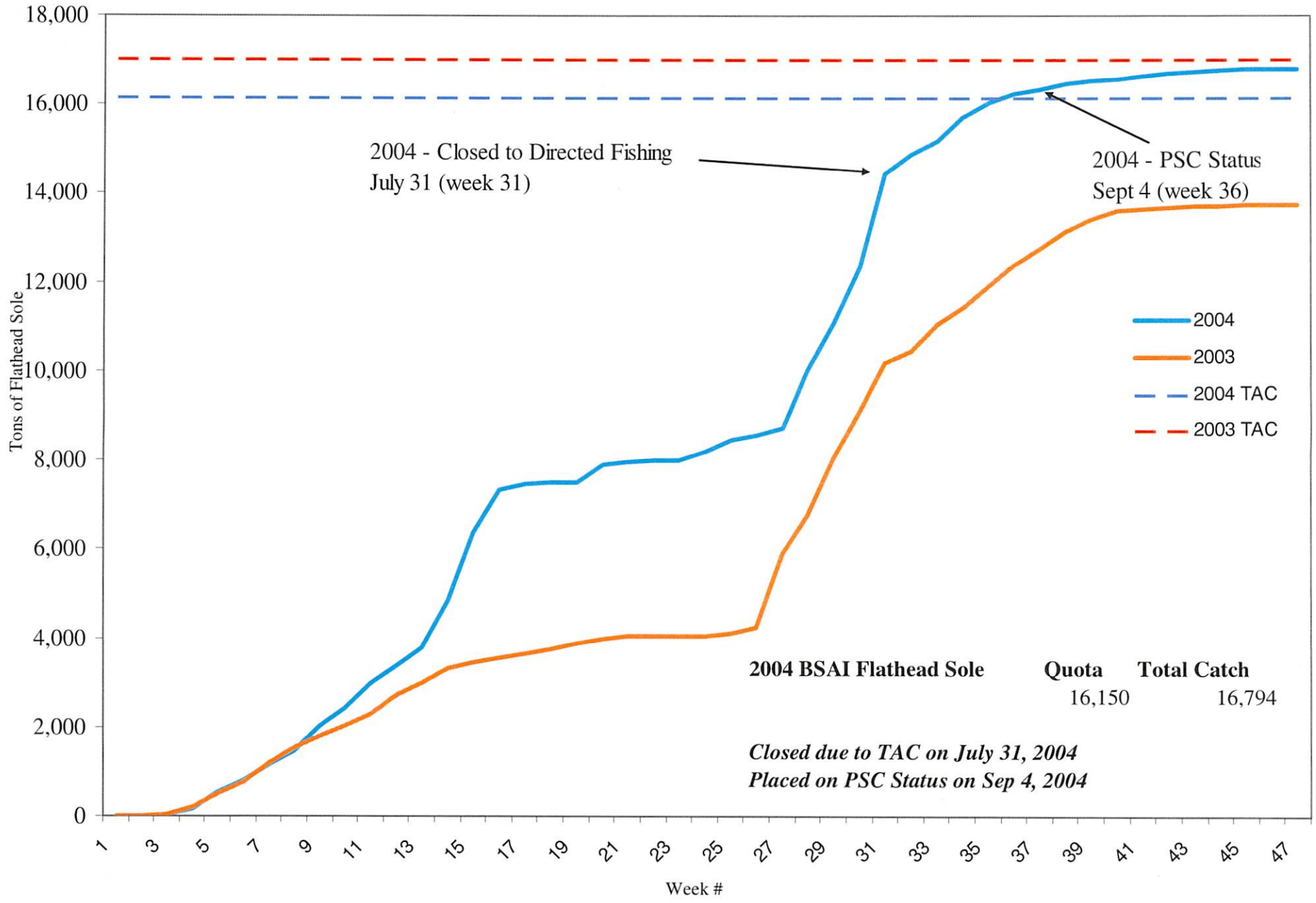




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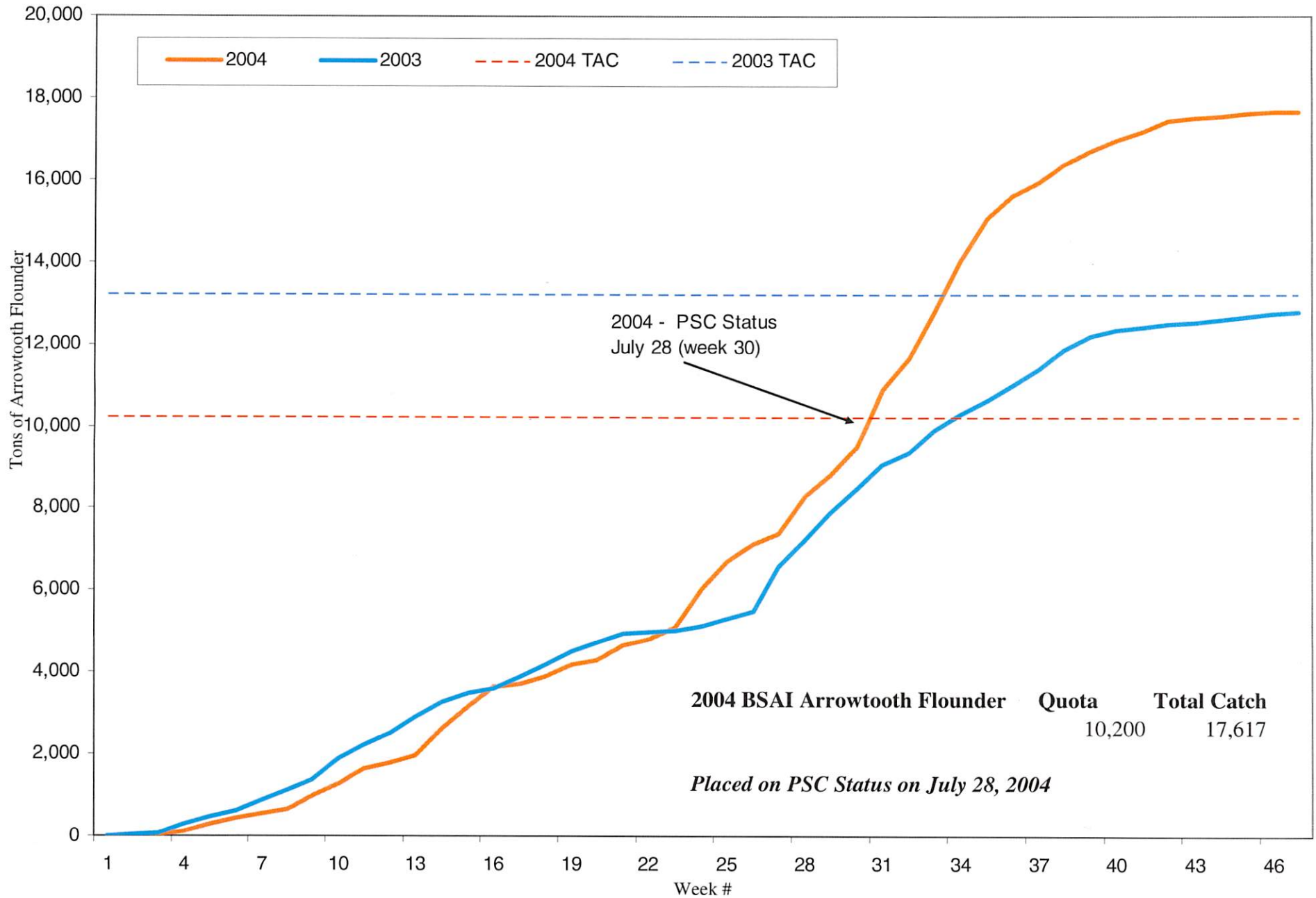


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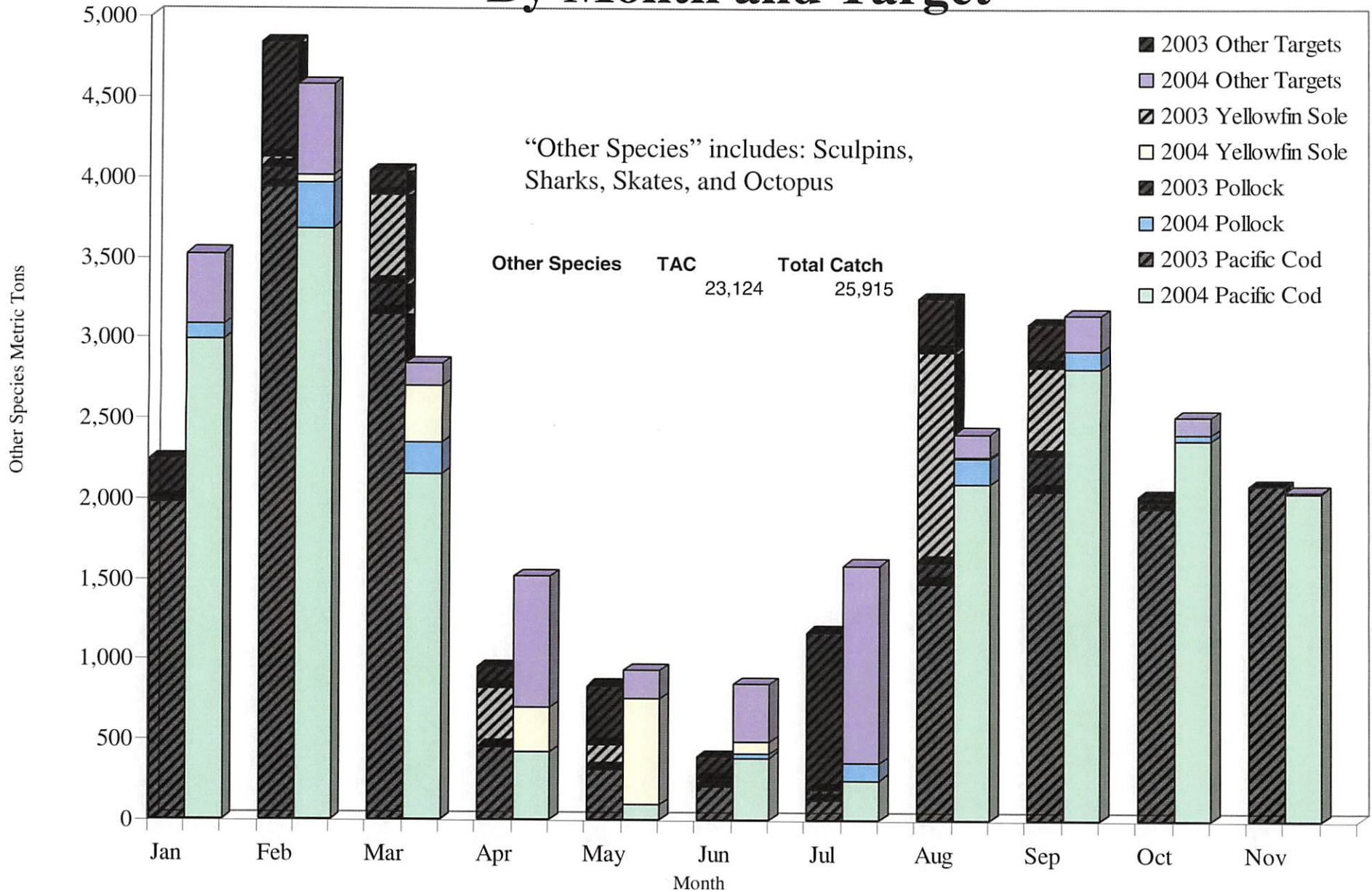




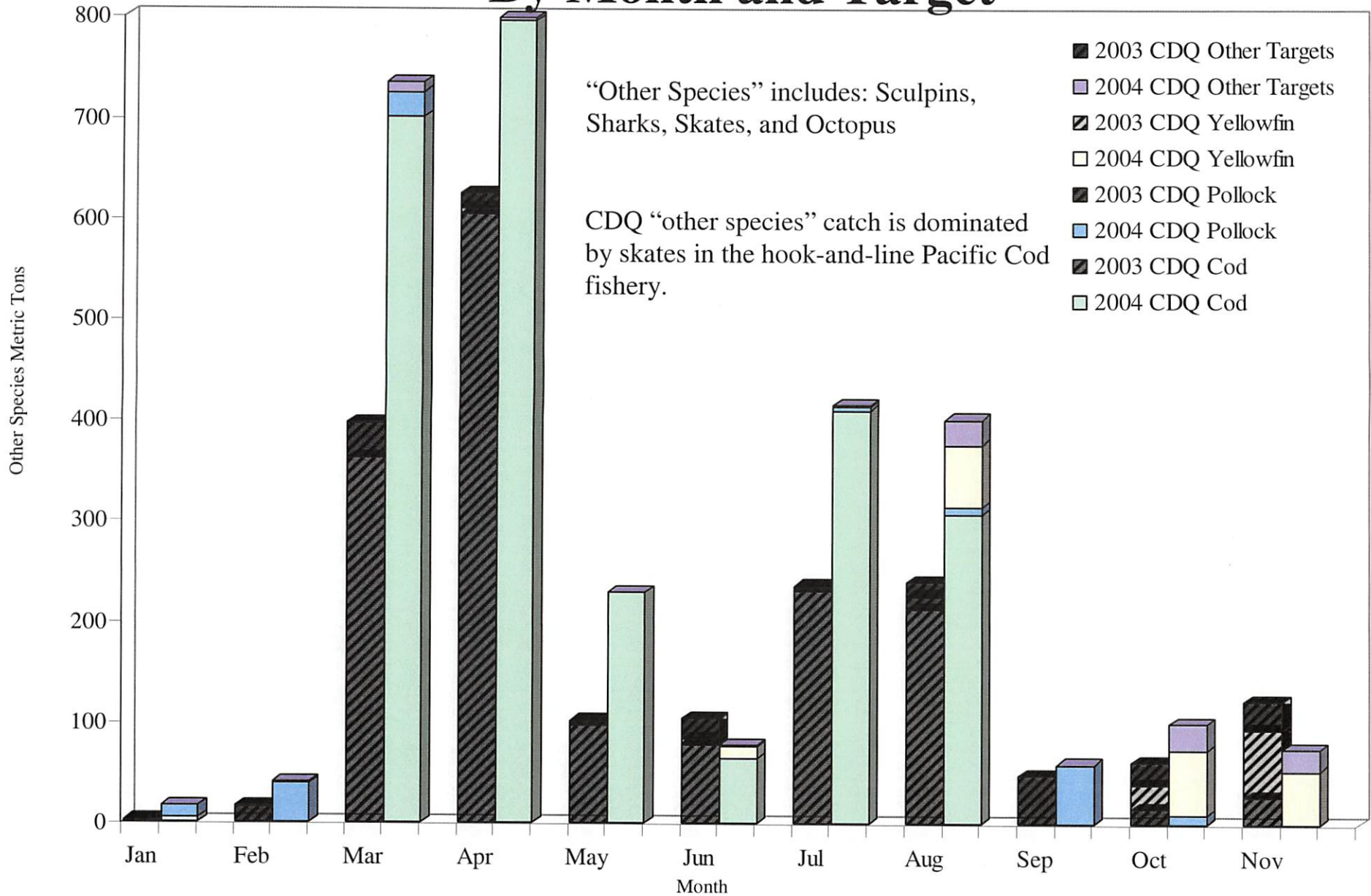
# 2004 BSAI Arrowtooth Flounder



# 2003/2004 Non-CDQ Other Species Catch By Month and Target



# 2003/2004 CDQ Other Species Catch By Month and Target









# 2004 BSAI Hook and Line Halibut Mortality

## H&L and Pot Closures

### Hook and Line Halibut Mortality

Target	Apportionment	Taken
Pacific Cod	775	373
Other Non-Trawl	58	24

### Hook-and-Line Closures

	Open	Closed	Reason
<b>PACIFIC COD</b>			
Catcher Processors	1-Jan 15-Aug	15-Mar	TAC
Catcher Vessels < 60	1-Jan 15-Aug	10-Jun	Spec
Catcher Vessel >= 60	1-Jan 15-Aug	18-Mar	TAC
Greenland Turbot	1-May		

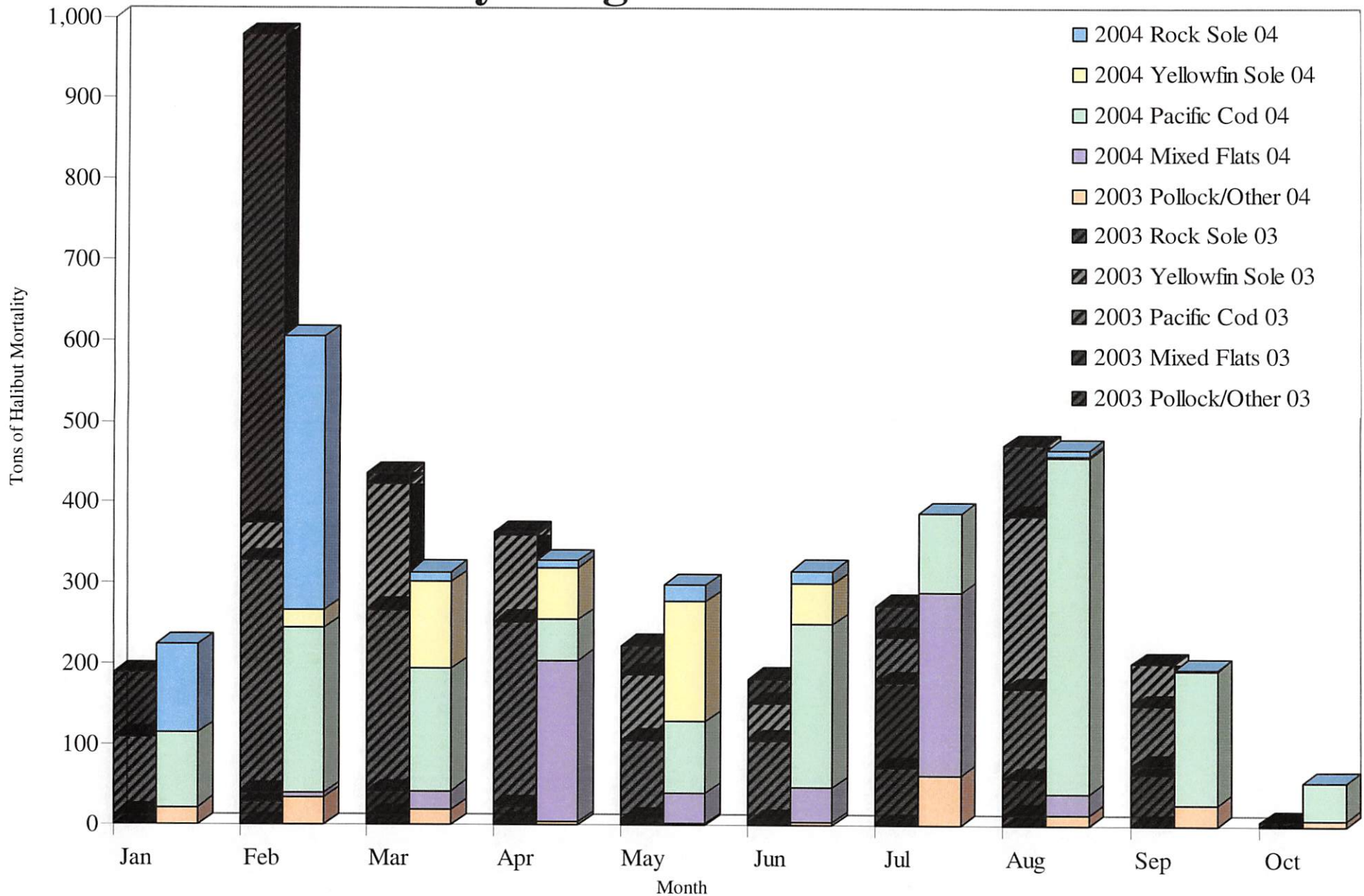
### Pot Closures

	Open	Closed	Reason
<b>PACIFIC COD</b>			
Catcher Processors	1-Jan 1-Sep	27-Mar	TAC
Catcher Vessel >= 60	1-Jan 1-Sep	15-Feb	TAC
Catcher Vessels < 60	1-Jan		

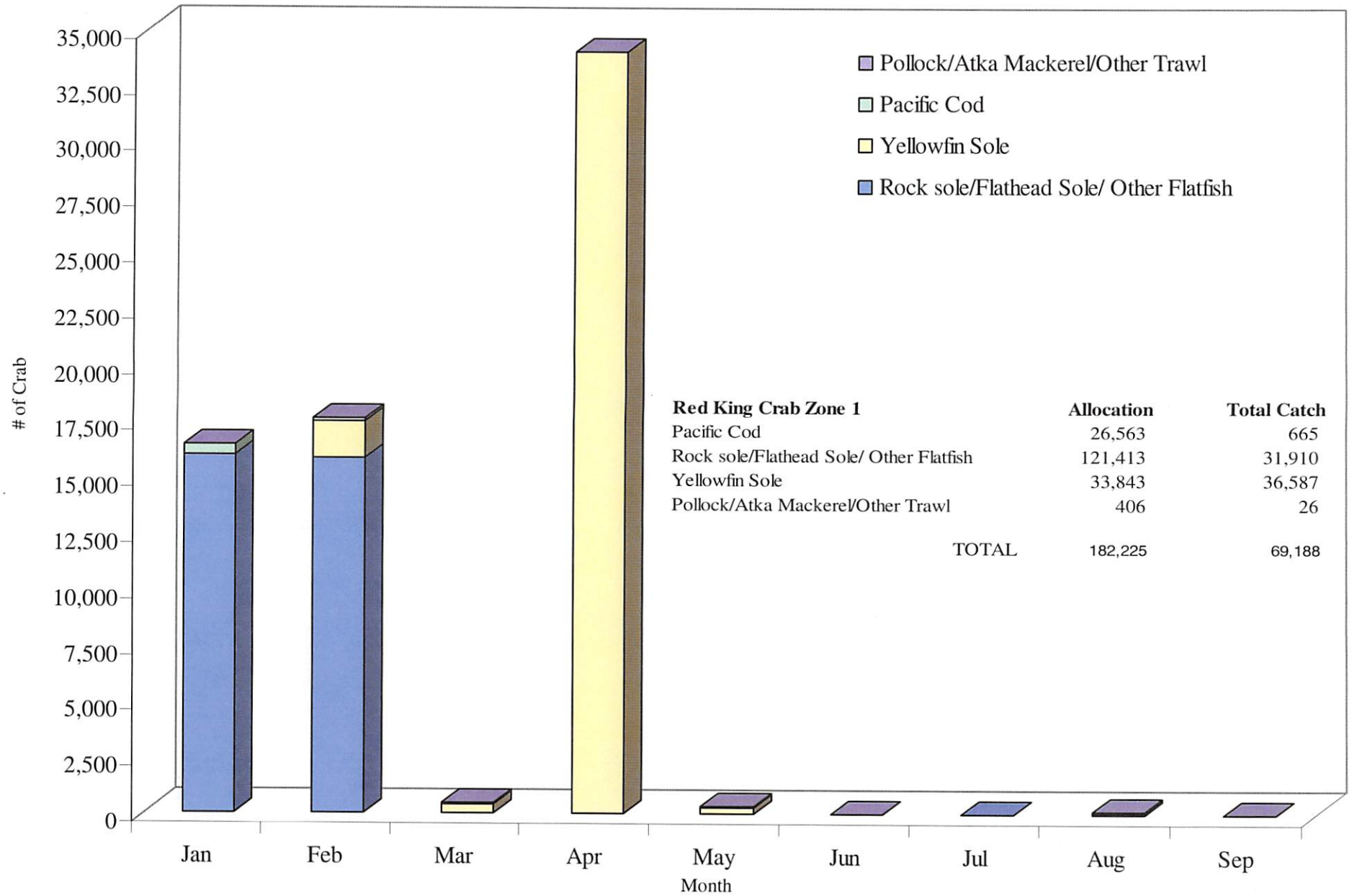
# 2004 BSAI Trawl Halibut Mortality

<b>Pacific Cod</b>			<i>Limit</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
			1,434	1,519
<b>Rockfish</b>			<i>Limit</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
			69	57
<b>Pollock/Atka Mackerel/Other</b>			<i>Limit</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
			232	141
<b>Turbot/Sablefish/Arrowtooth</b>			<i>Limit</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
			0	85
<b>Yellowfin Sole</b>				
	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>	<i>Limit</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
Season 1	20-Jan	1-Apr	262	166
Season 2	1-Apr	21-May	195	191
Season 3	21-May	29-Jun	49	173
Season 4	29-Jun	31-Dec	380	31
<i>Total</i>			886	560
<b>Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish</b>				
	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>	<i>Limit</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
Season 1	20-Jan	1-Apr	448	447
Season 2	1-Apr	29-Jun	164	155
Season 3	29-Jun	31-Dec	167	221
<i>Total</i>			779	823
<i>Total Halibut Mortality (yellowfin and rock sole/flathead/other flatfish categories)</i>			<i>1,665</i>	<i>1,383</i>
<b>TOTAL HALIBUT MORTALITY</b>			<b>Limit</b>	<b>Mortality</b>
			<b>3,400</b>	<b>3,185</b>

# 2004 BSAI Trawl Halibut Mortality by Target and Month

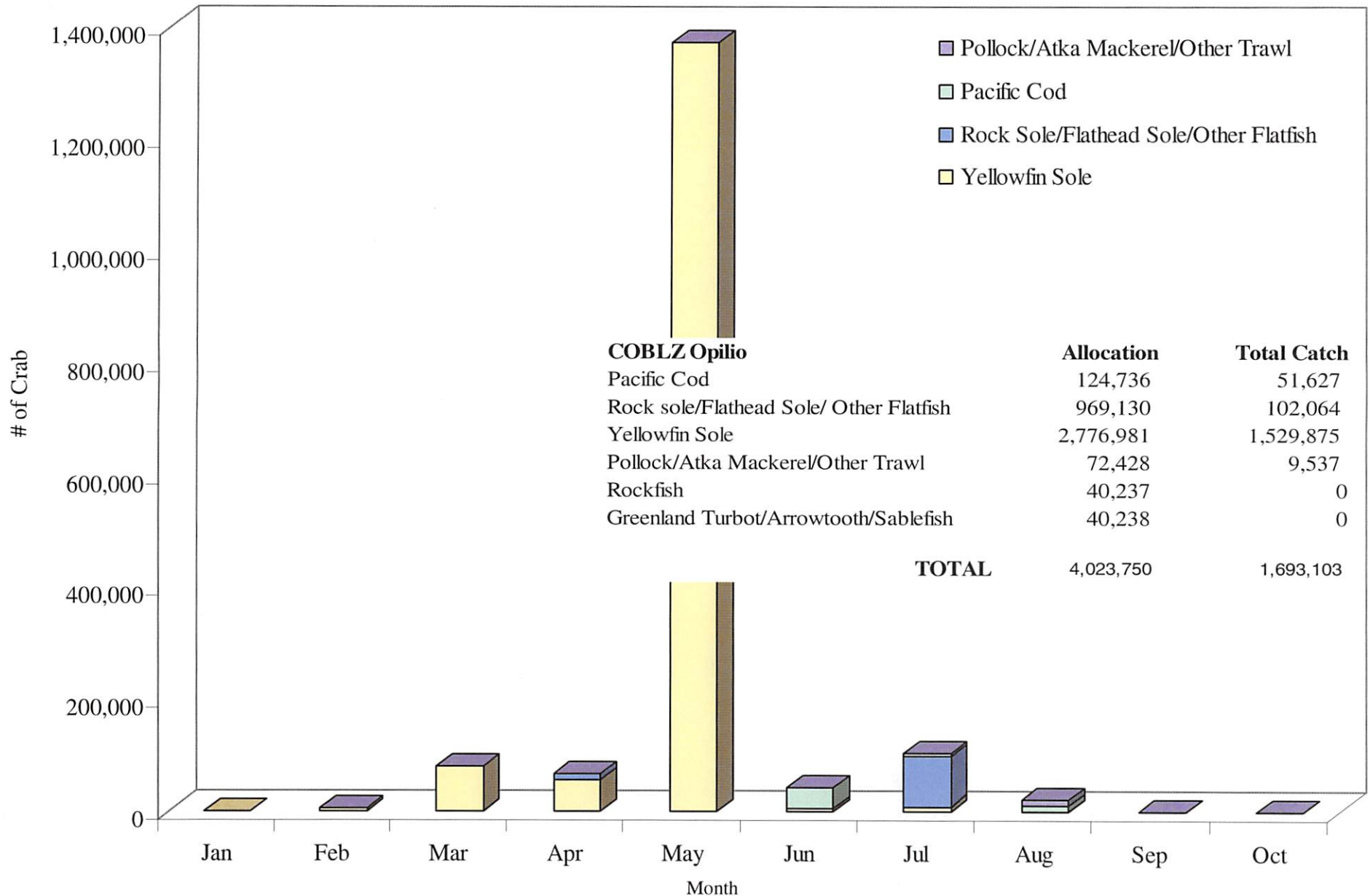


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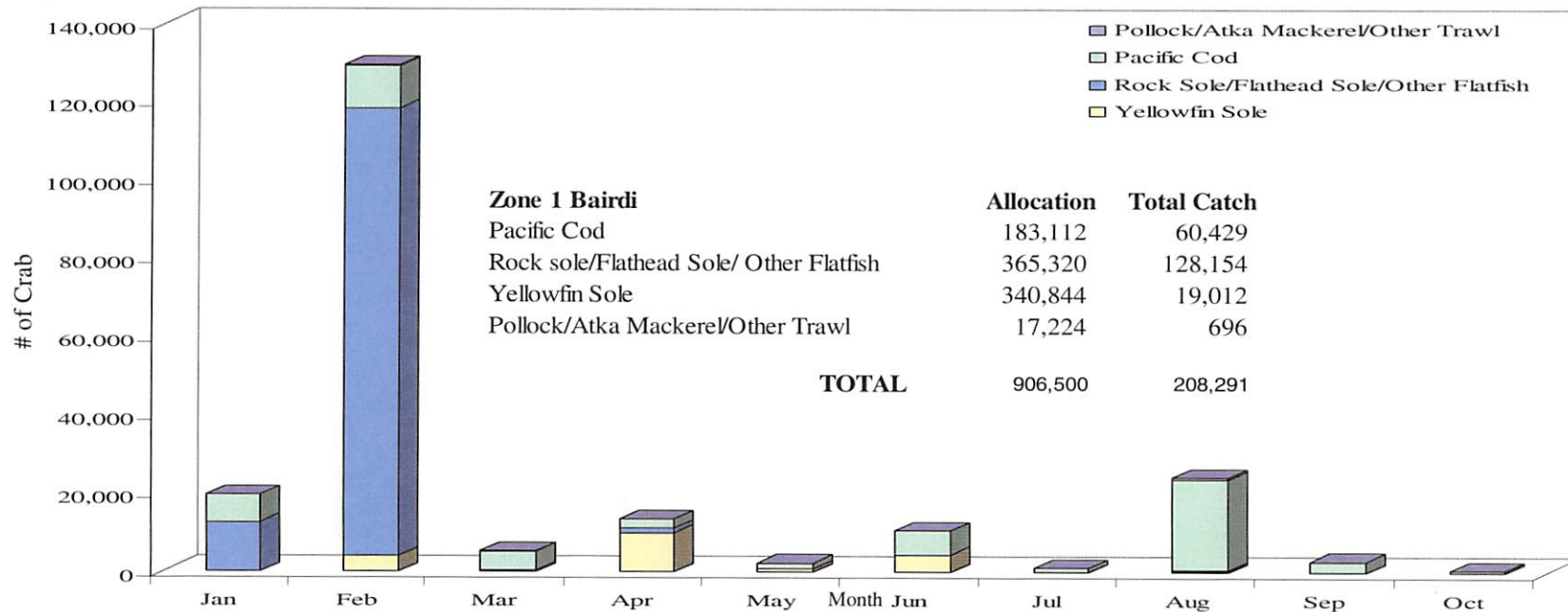




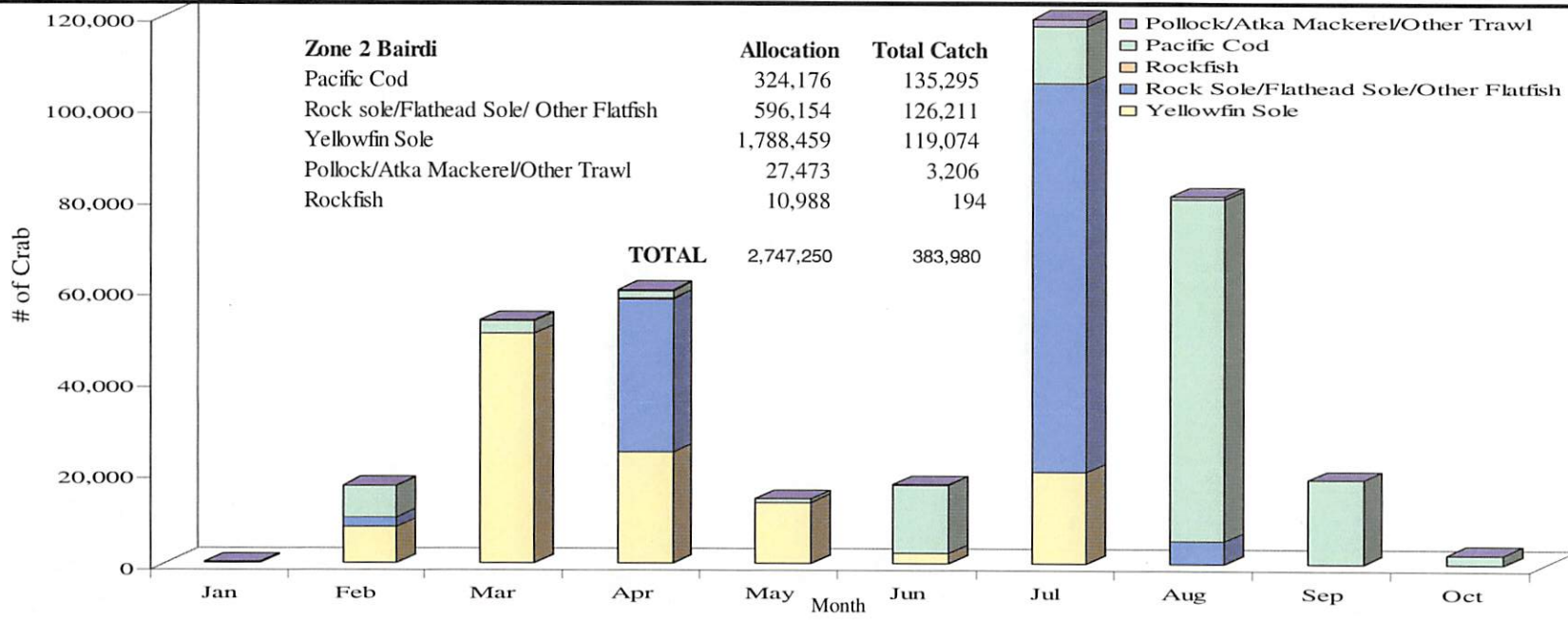
# 2004 COBLZ Opilio Crab by Month and Target



# Zone 1 & 2 C. bairdi Crab Catch by Month and Target

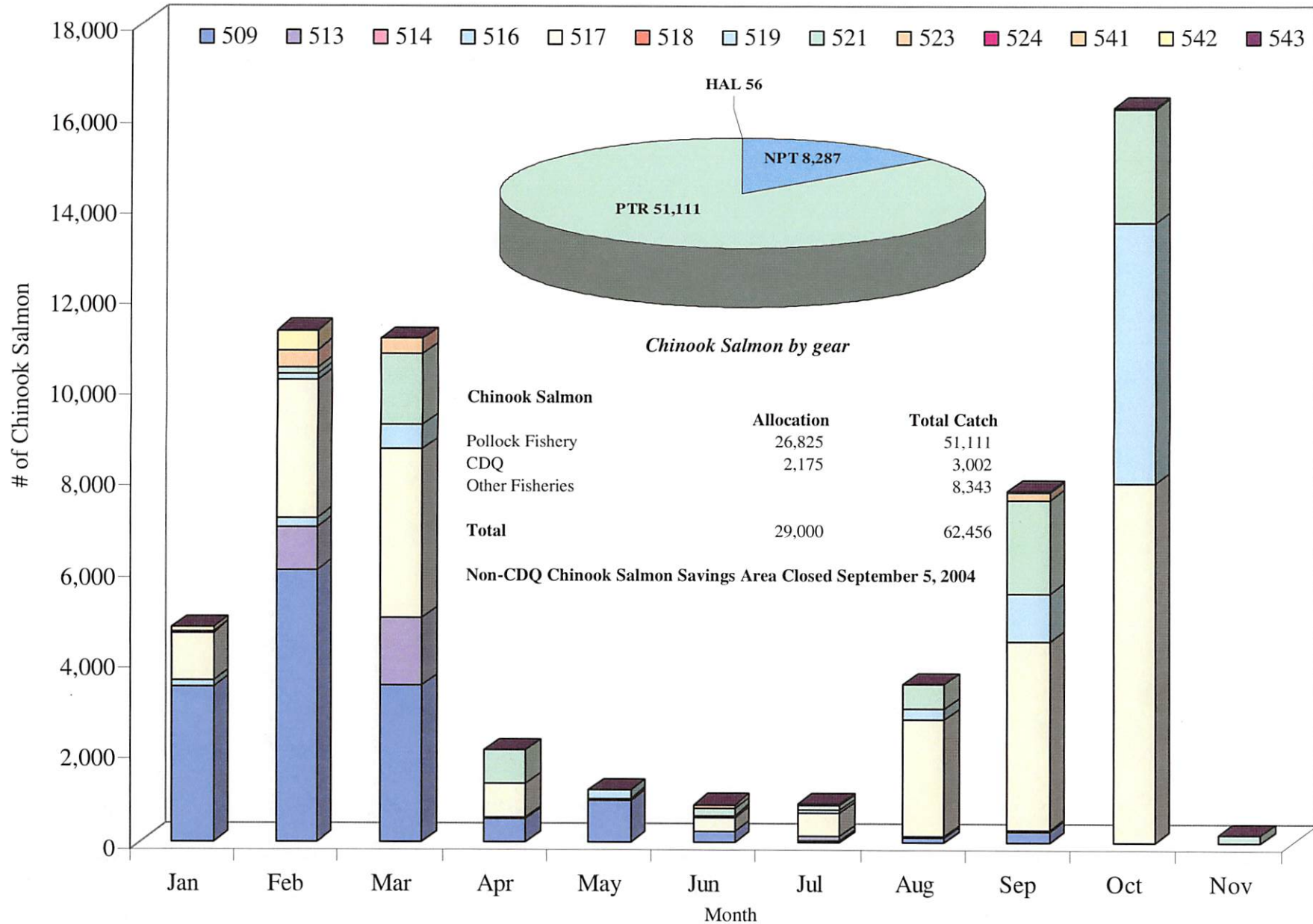


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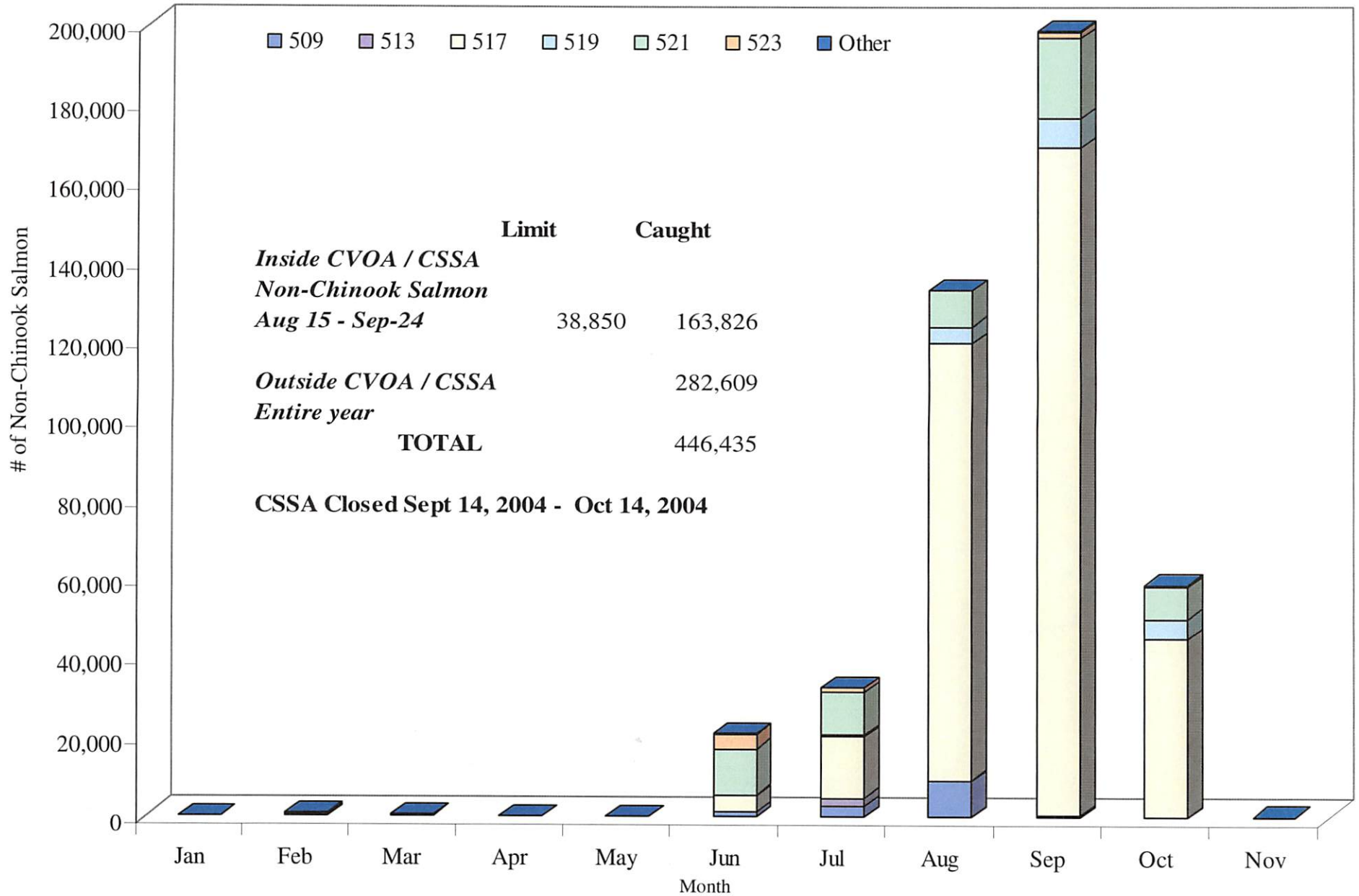


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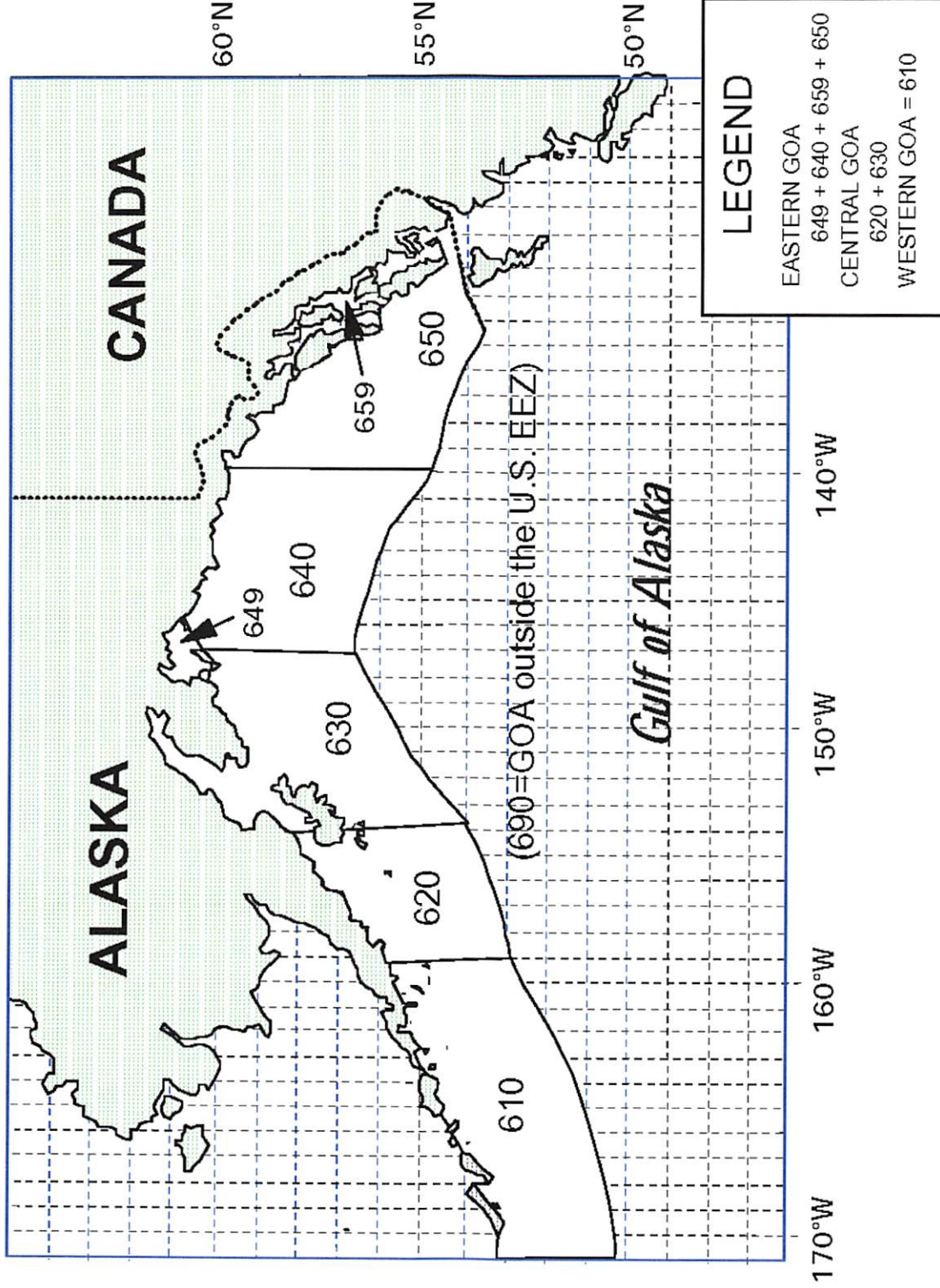


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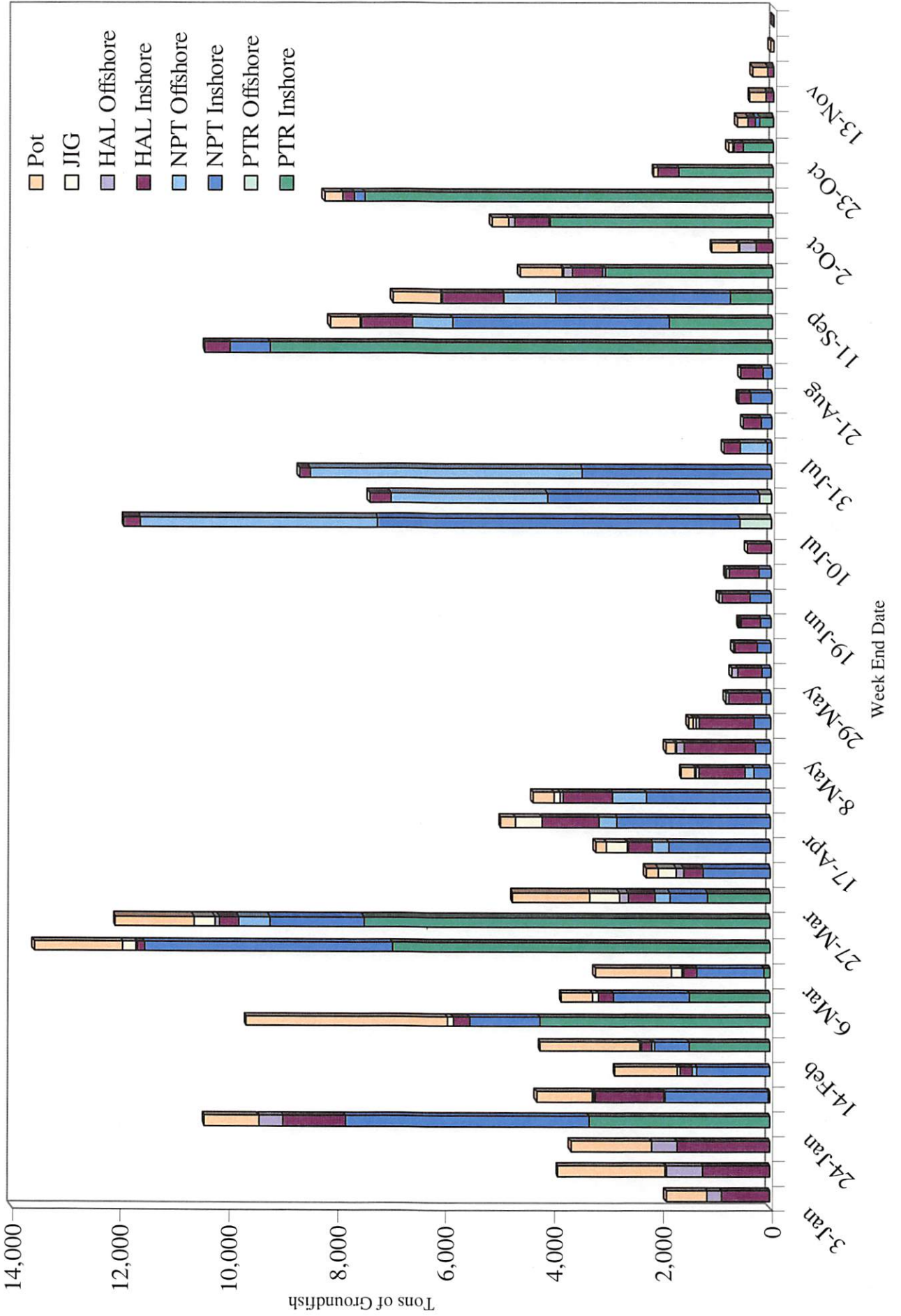




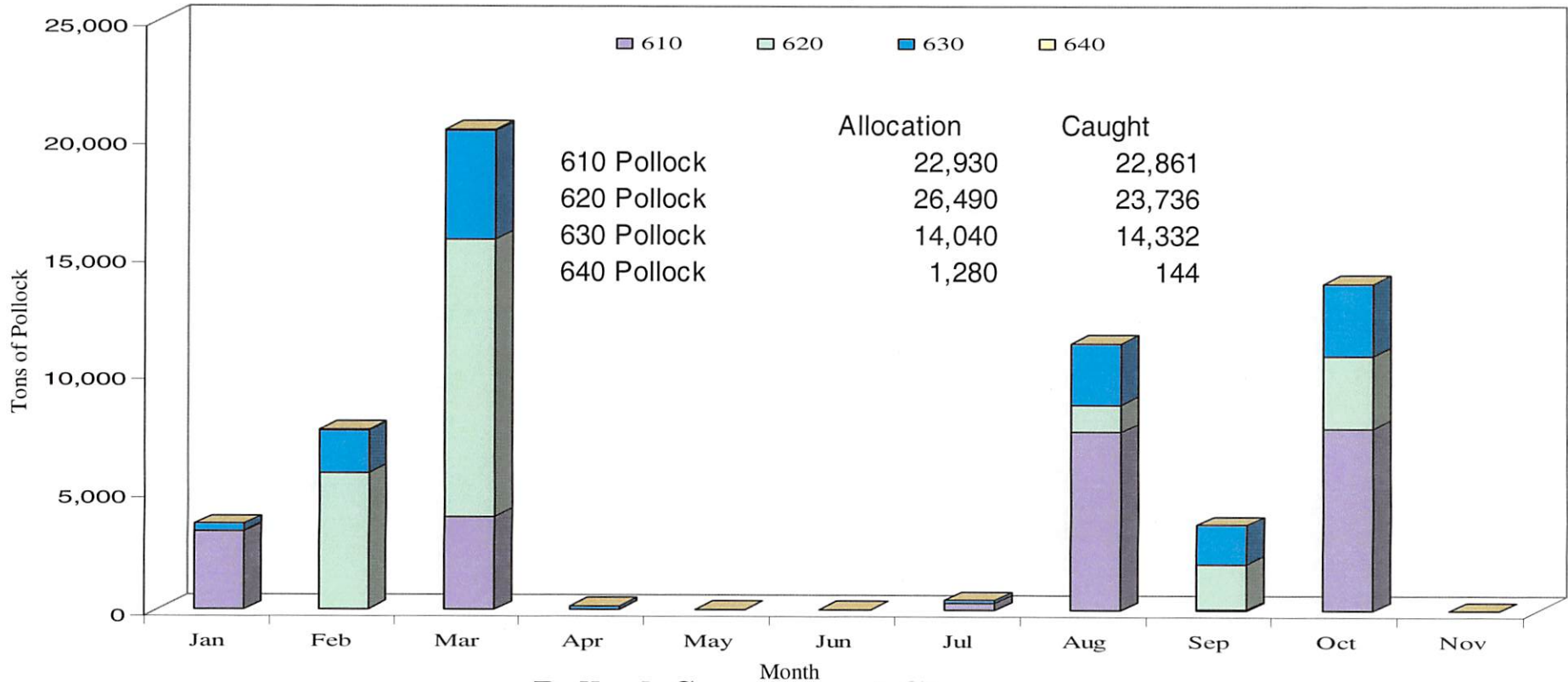
# Gulf of Alaska Reporting Areas



# 2004 GOA Total Groundfish Removal by Sector



# 2004 GOA Pollock Catch and Seasons

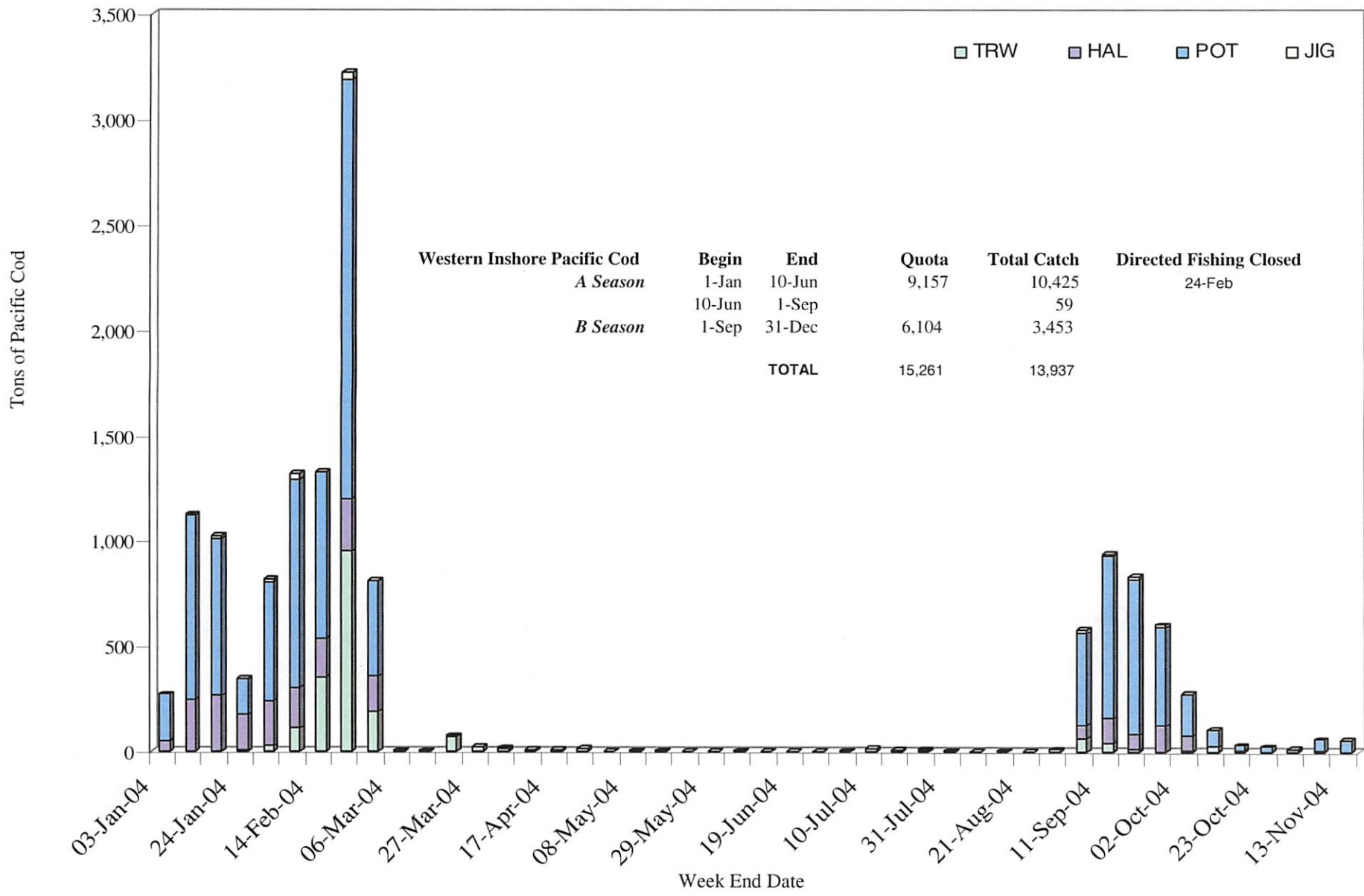


## Pollock Seasons and Closures

		Open	Closed			Open	Closed
<b>610 Pollock</b>	<i>A Season</i>	20-Jan	22-Jan	<b>630 Pollock</b>	<i>A Season</i>	20-Jan	21-Jan
	<i>B Season</i>	10-Mar	13-Mar			4-Feb	4-Feb (12 hr)
	<i>C Season</i>	25-Aug	30-Aug			15-Feb	15-Feb (12 hr)
	<i>D Season</i>	1-Oct	6-Oct			24-Feb	24-Feb (12 hr)
		10-Oct	11-Oct		<i>B Season</i>	10-Mar	11-Mar
					<i>C Season</i>	25-Aug	27-Aug
<b>620 Pollock</b>	<i>A Season</i>	20-Jan	25-Feb		<i>D Season</i>	12-Sep	15-Sep
	<i>B Season</i>	10-Mar	21-Mar			1-Oct	2-Oct
	<i>C Season</i>	25-Aug	29-Aug			7-Oct	9-Oct
	<i>D Season</i>	11-Sep	15-Sep				
	<i>D Season</i>	1-Oct	1-Nov				

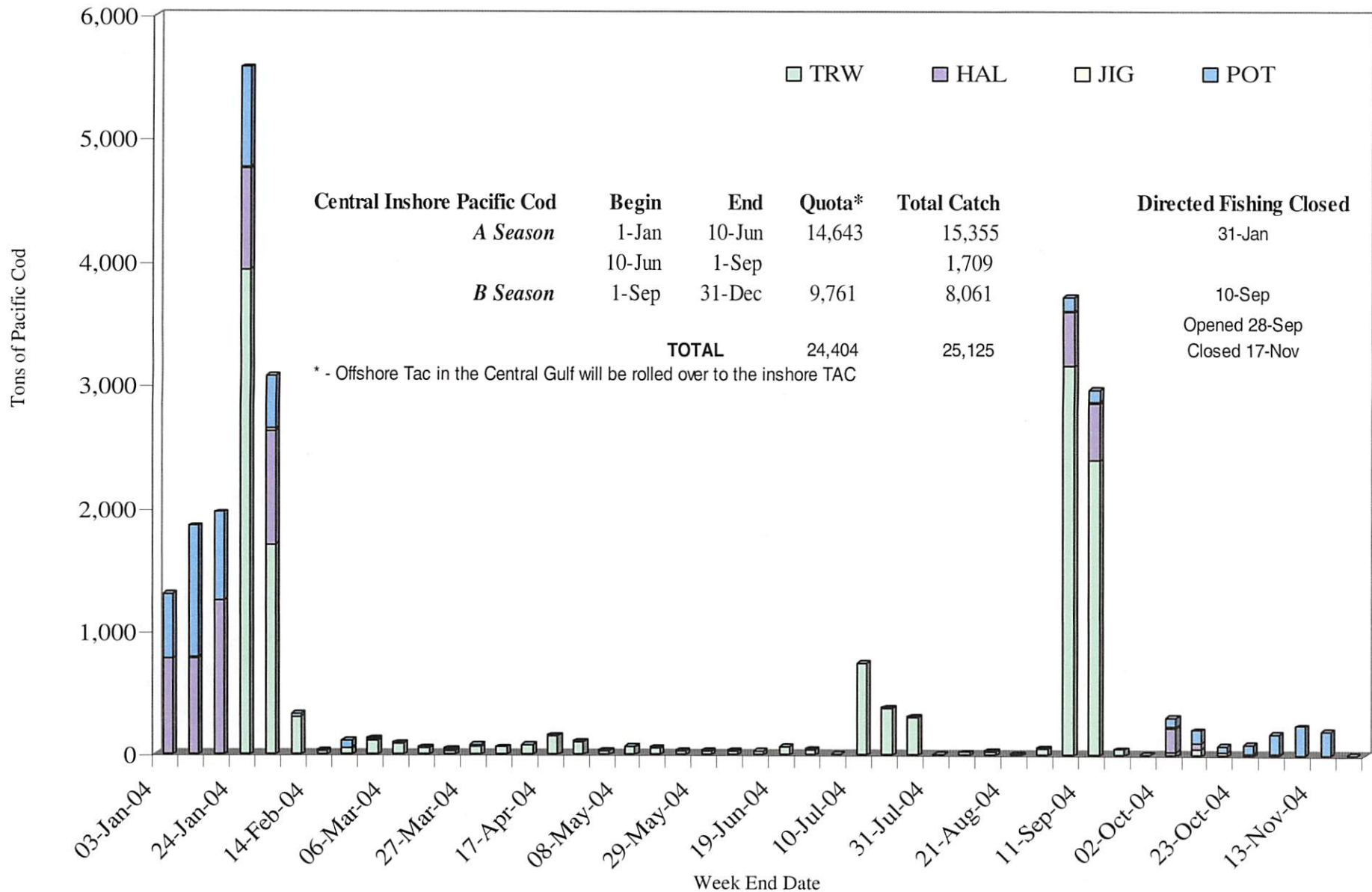


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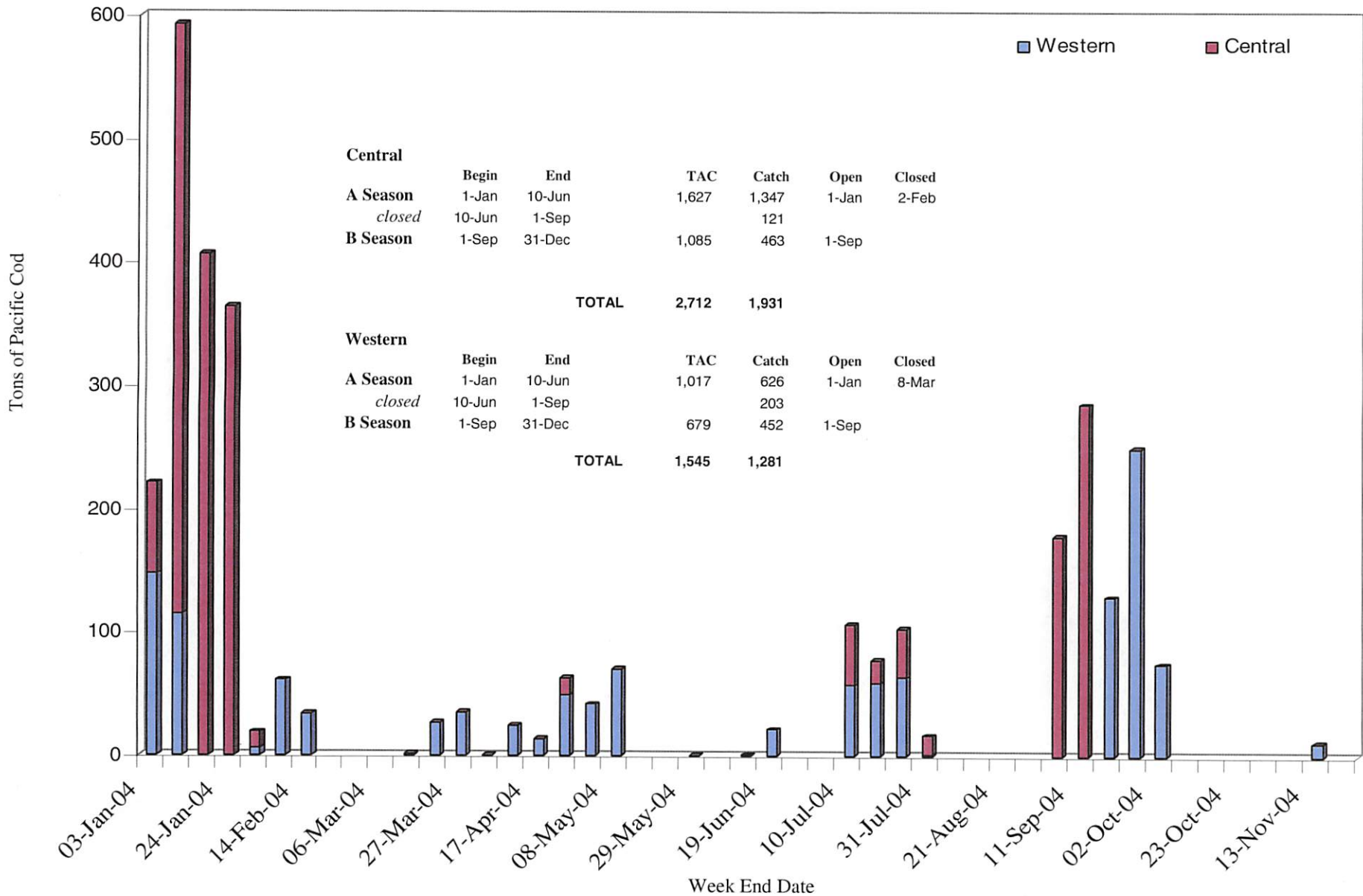




# 2004 Central Gulf Inshore Pacific Cod Catch By Week and Gear

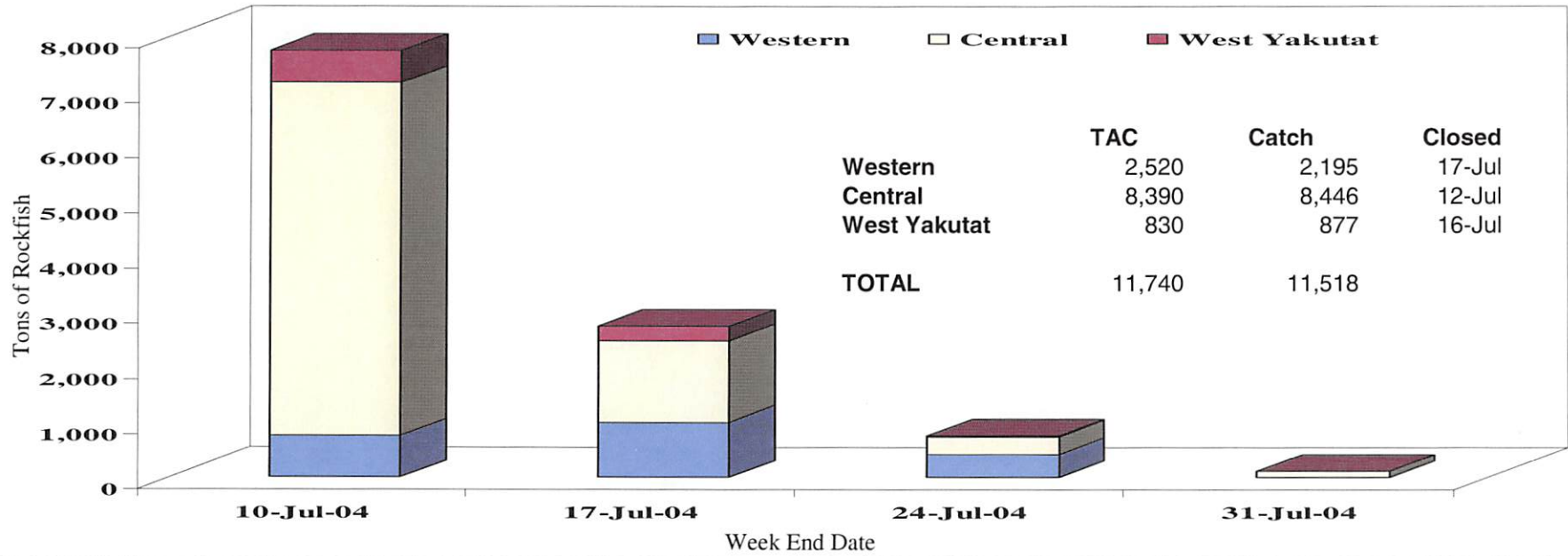


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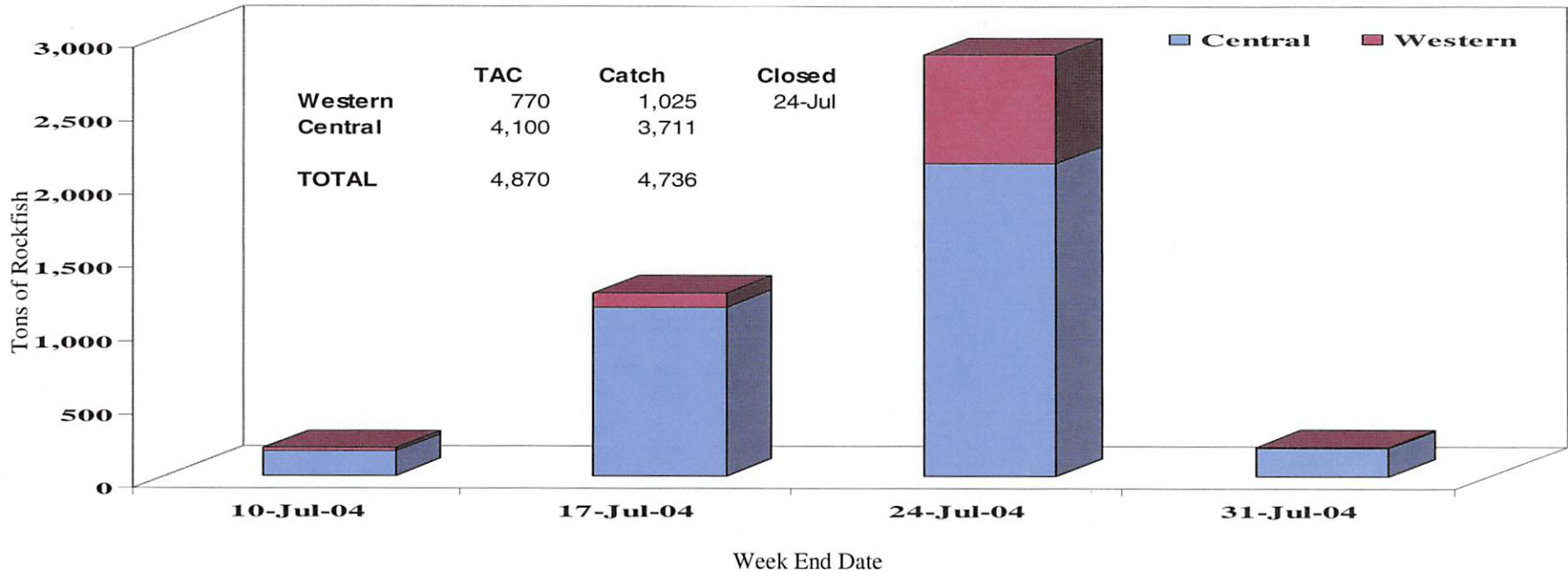


# 2004 GOA POP and Northern Rockfish Catch

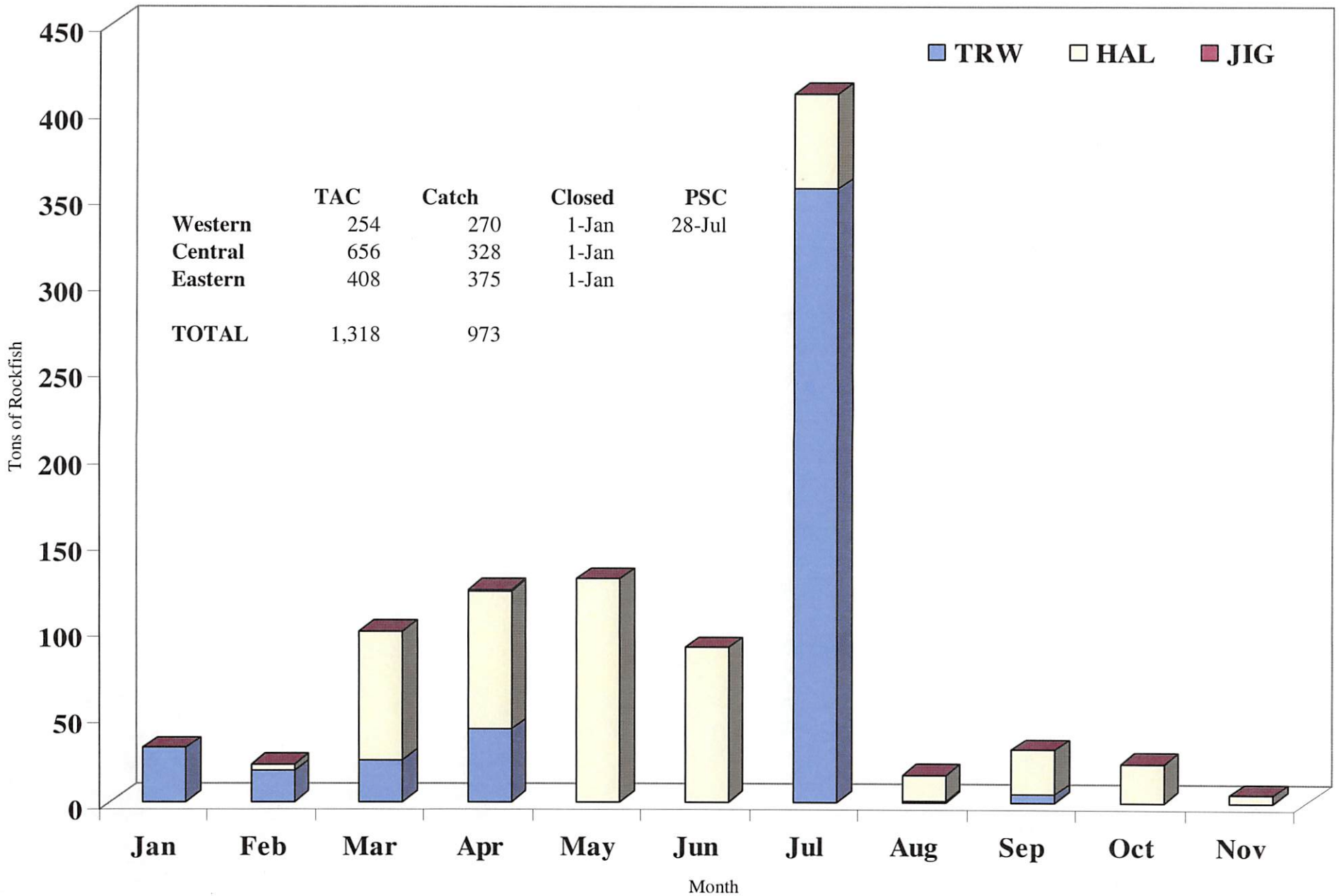
## Pacific Ocean Perch



## Northern Rockfish



# 2004 GOA Shortraker/Rougheye Catch





# 2004 Trawl Halibut Mortality and Closures

## Shallow Water Complex

	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>	<i>Allocation</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
1st Season	20-Jan	1-Apr	450	397
2nd Season	1-Apr	29-Jun	100	157
3rd Season	29-Jun	1-Sep	200	35
4th Season	1-Sep	30-Sep	150	821
<b>Total shallow water complex</b>			<b>900</b>	<b>1410</b>

## Deep Water Complex

	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>	<i>Allocation</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
1st Season	20-Jan	1-Apr	100	163
2nd Season	1-Apr	29-Jun	300	293
3rd Season	29-Jun	1-Sep	400	385
4th Season	1-Sep	30-Sep	0	2
<b>Total deep water complex</b>			<b>800</b>	<b>843</b>

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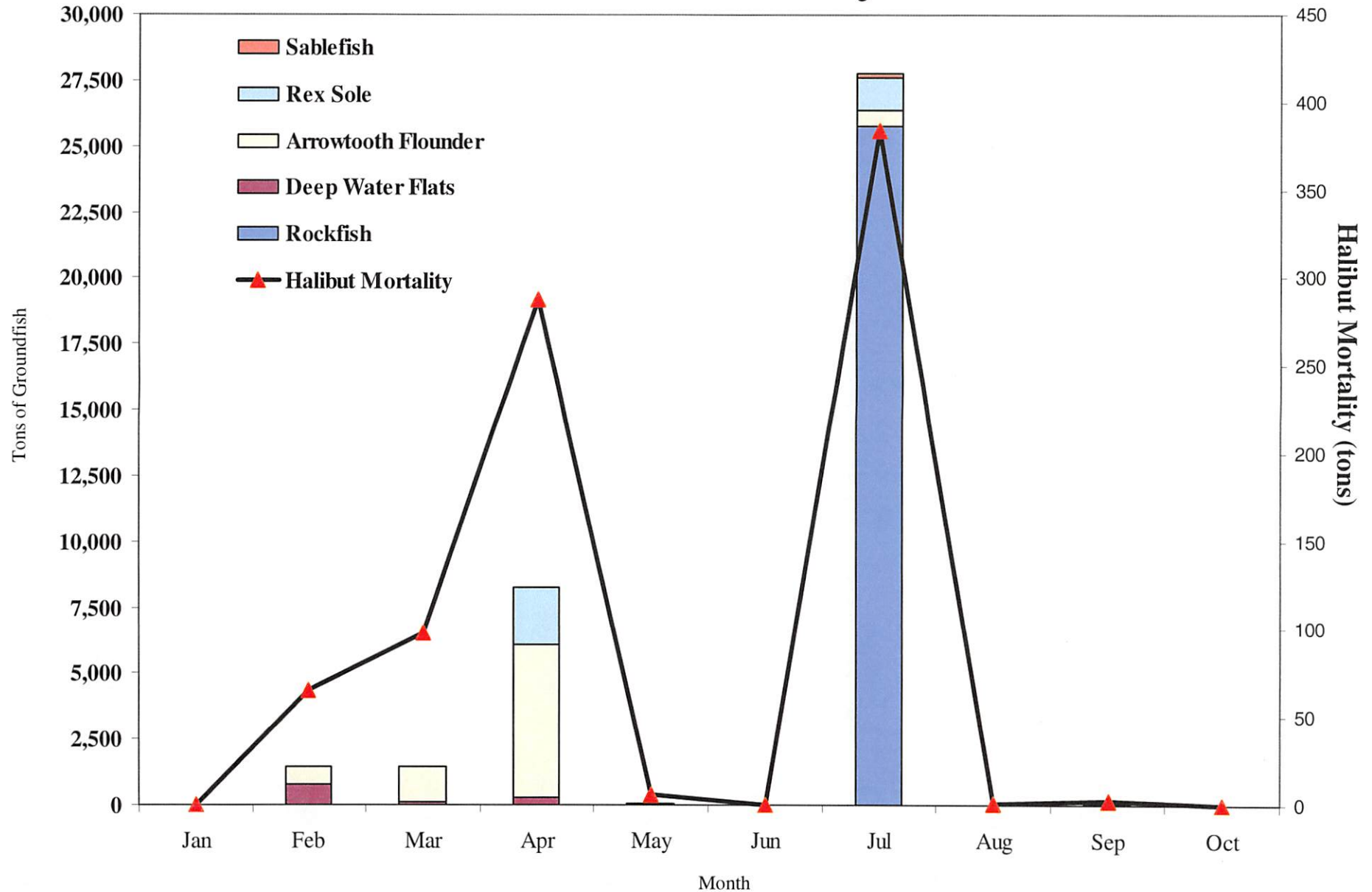
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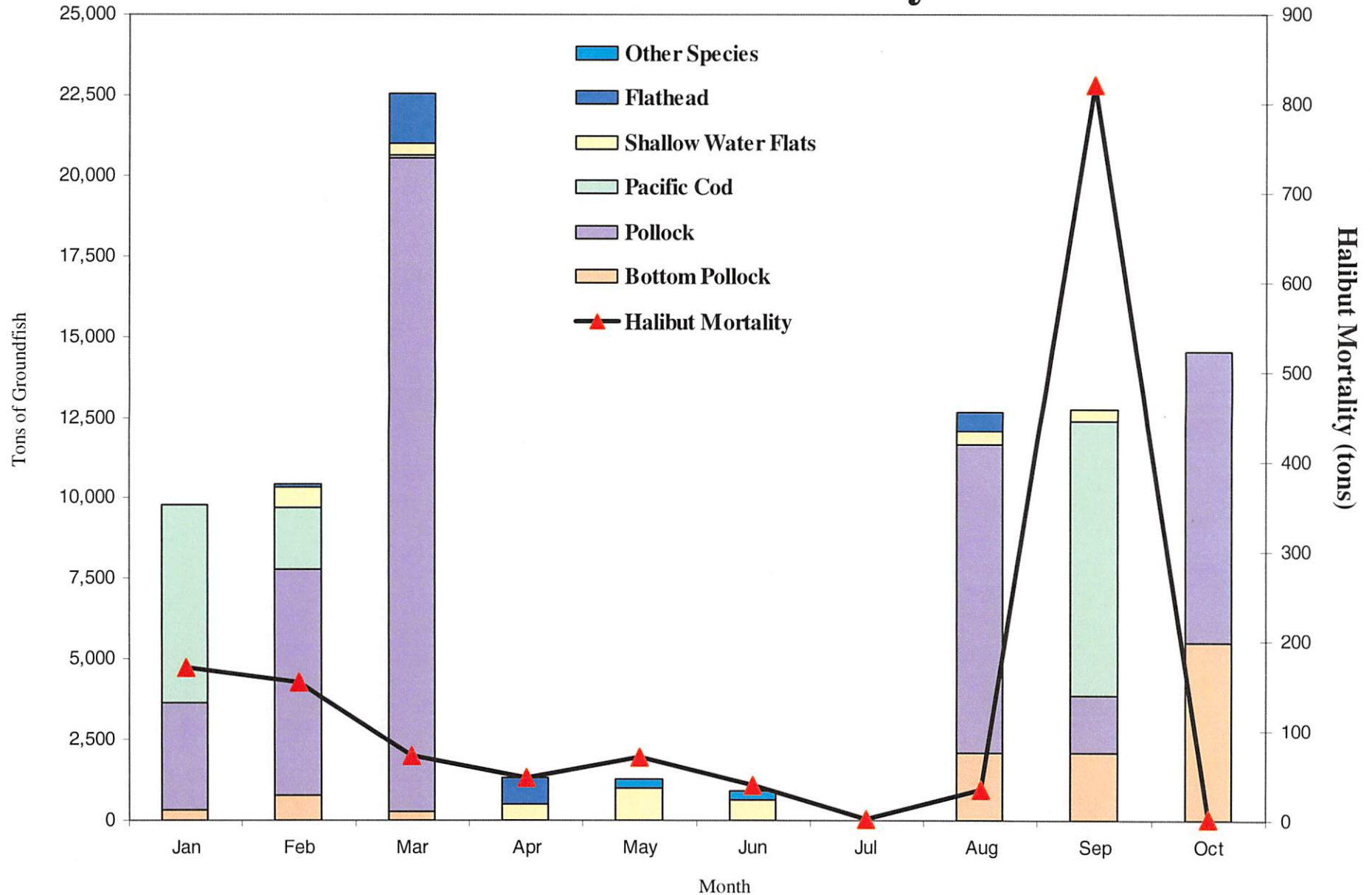
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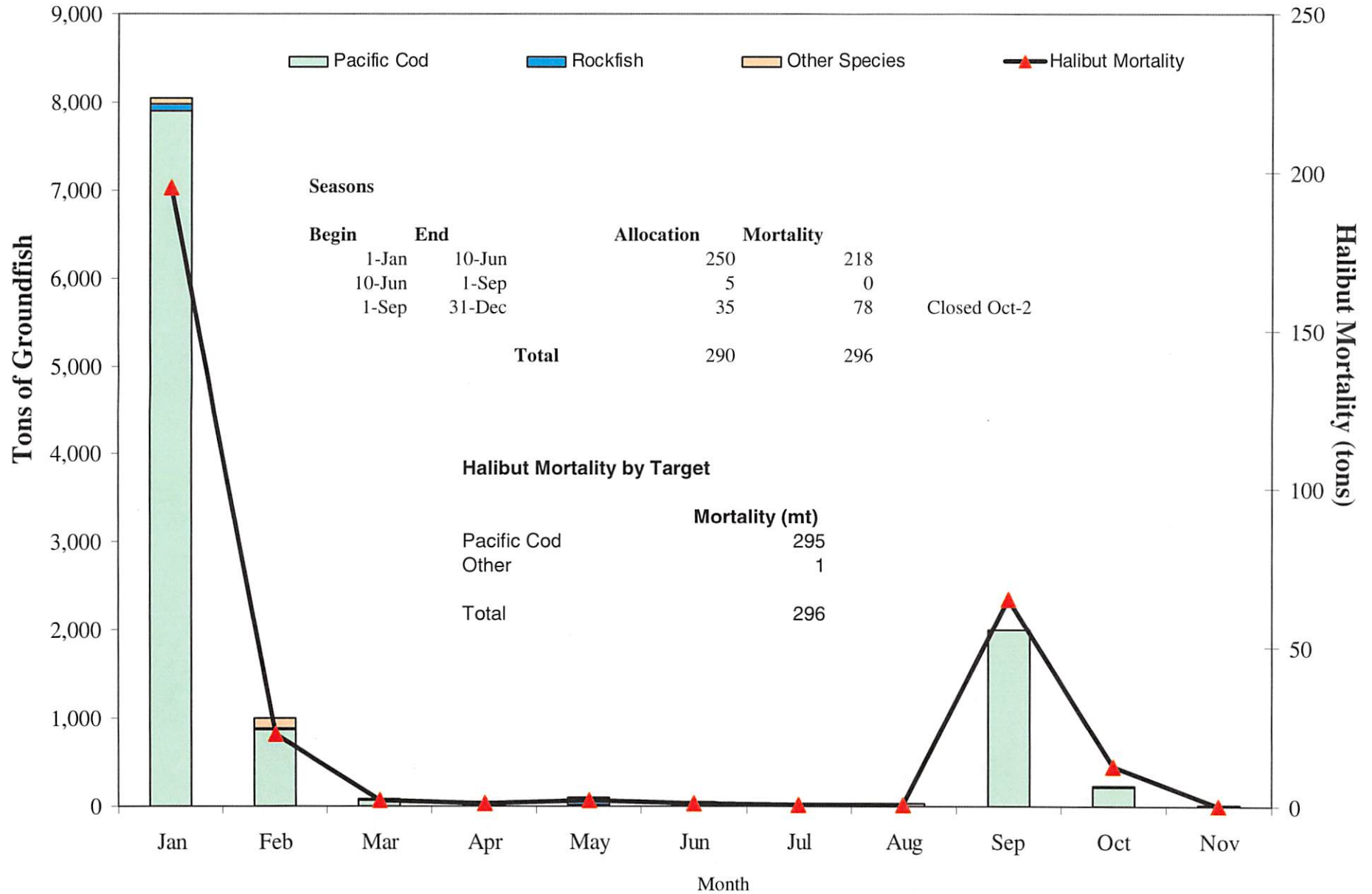
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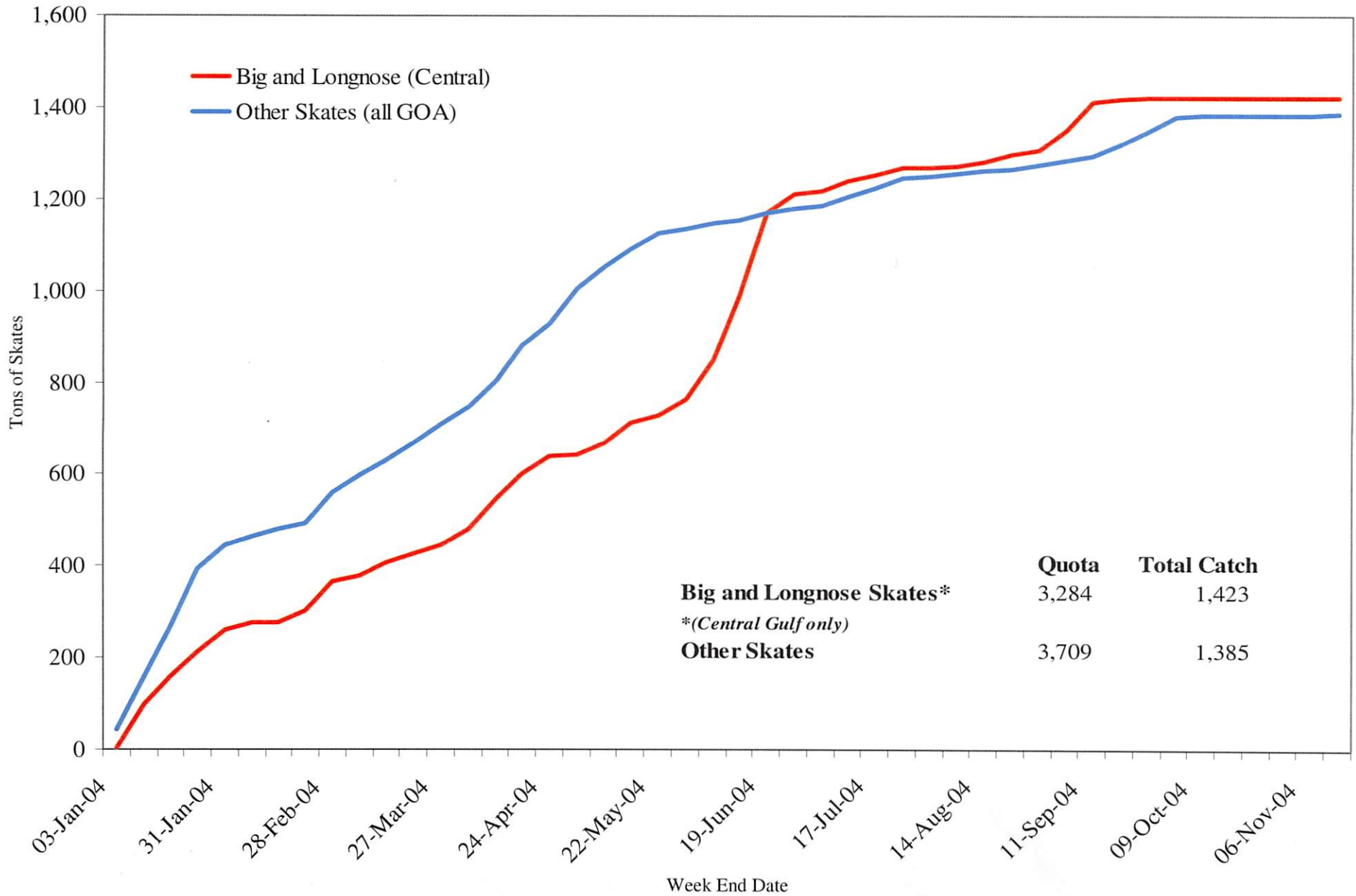


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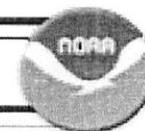
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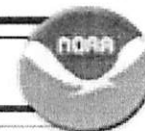
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**Bering Sea**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Other Rockfish	312	426	114	73%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch	717	1,197	480	60%	0
	Sablefish (Hook-and-Line and Pot)	568	1,160	592	49%	0
	Sablefish (Trawl)	272	1,232	960	22%	0
	Greenland Turbot	1,784	2,295	511	78%	1
X	Pollock, AFA Inshore	638,467	649,580	11,113	98%	0
X	Pollock, AFA Catcher Processor	519,667	519,664	-3	100%	0
X	Pollock, AFA Mothership	129,174	129,916	742	99%	0
	Pollock, Incidental Catch, non-Bogoslof	44,254	43,641	-613	101%	208
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**Aleutian Islands**

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	Other Rockfish	318	539	221	59%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch, Eastern	2,371	2,829	458	84%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch, Central	2,973	2,706	-267	110%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch, Western	5,149	4,798	-351	107%	0
X	Atka Mackerel, Eastern (Other Gear)	9,964	10,293	329	97%	0
	Atka Mackerel, Eastern (Jig)	0	104	104	0%	0
X	Atka Mackerel, Central	27,919	28,768	849	97%	0
X	Atka Mackerel, Western	18,079	19,111	1,032	95%	0
	Sablefish (Hook-and-Line and Pot)	895	1,860	965	48%	0
	Sablefish (Trawl)	32	659	627	5%	0
	Greenland Turbot	381	680	299	56%	0
	Pollock, Incidental Catch	1,150	1,000	-150	115%	0

**Bering Sea Aleutian Islands**

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	Alaska Plaice	7,570	9,250	1,680	82%	0
	Arrowtooth Flounder	17,772	10,200	-7,572	174%	45
	Flathead Sole	16,847	16,150	-697	104%	18
	Northern Rockfish	4,281	4,625	344	93%	0
	Other Flatfish	4,887	2,775	-2,112	176%	9
	Other Species	25,915	23,124	-2,791	112%	498
X	Pacific Cod, Catcher Processor (Trawl)	41,330	41,431	101	100%	0
	Pacific Cod, Catcher Vessel (Trawl)	40,616	40,717	101	100%	0

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X	Pacific Cod, Catcher Vessel (Hook-and-Line)	251	303	52	83%	0
X	Pacific Cod, Catcher Processor (Pot)	3,234	3,452	218	94%	0
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X	Pacific Cod (Jig)	214	442	228	48%	0
	Pacific Cod (Hook-and-Line and Pot < 60 ft)	1,925	2,961	1,036	65%	0
	Pacific Cod, Incidental Catch (Hook-and-Line and Pot)	466	500	34	93%	0
	Rock Sole	47,734	37,925	-9,809	126%	1
	Rougheye Rockfish	200	181	-19	111%	0
	Shortraker Rockfish	212	486	274	44%	0
	Squid	1,018	1,084	66	94%	0
	Yellowfin Sole	69,010	73,164	4,154	94%	12
<b>Total:</b>		<b>1,793,877</b>	<b>1,800,808</b>	<b>6,931</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>4,821</b>

This report includes CDQ total catch of squid and ICA pollock. The remaining CDQ allocated catch may be found in the CDQ reports.

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Other species: sculpins, sharks, skates and octopus.

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Catch Accounting****Bering Sea****Pollock, AFA Inshore**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	259,697	259,832	135	100%
B	10-JUN-04	01-NOV-04	378,770	389,748	10,978	97%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>638,467</b>	<b>649,580</b>	<b>11,113</b>	<b>98%</b>

**Pollock, AFA Catcher Processor**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
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B	10-JUN-04	01-NOV-04	312,176	311,798	-378	100%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>519,667</b>	<b>519,663</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Pollock, AFA Mothership**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	51,842	51,966	124	100%
B	10-JUN-04	01-NOV-04	77,333	77,950	617	99%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>129,174</b>	<b>129,916</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>99%</b>

**Aleutian Islands****Atka Mackerel, Eastern (Other Gear)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	15-APR-04	3,794	5,147	1,353	74%
B	01-SEP-04	01-NOV-04	481	5,147	4,666	9%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>4,275</b>	<b>10,294</b>	<b>6,019</b>	<b>42%</b>

**Atka Mackerel, Central**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	15-APR-04	13,931	14,384	453	97%
B	01-SEP-04	01-NOV-04	13,772	14,384	612	96%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>27,702</b>	<b>28,768</b>	<b>1,066</b>	<b>96%</b>

**Atka Mackerel, Western**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	15-APR-04	3,543	9,555	6,012	37%
B	01-SEP-04	01-NOV-04	14,498	9,555	-4,943	152%



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**Bering Sea Aleutian Islands****Pacific Cod, Catcher Processor (Trawl)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	01-APR-04	22,350	23,422	1,072	95%
B	01-APR-04	10-JUN-04	6,459	14,053	7,594	46%
C	10-JUN-04	01-NOV-04	12,521	9,369	-3,152	134%
<b>Total:</b>			41,330	46,844	5,514	88%

**Pacific Cod, Catcher Vessel (Trawl)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	01-APR-04	34,337	32,791	-1,546	105%
B	01-APR-04	10-JUN-04	2,519	4,684	2,165	54%
C	10-JUN-04	01-NOV-04	3,761	9,369	5,608	40%
<b>Total:</b>			40,616	46,844	6,228	87%

**Pacific Cod, Catcher Processor (Hook-and-Line)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	49,064	48,558	-506	101%
B	10-JUN-04	31-DEC-04	44,590	32,372	-12,218	138%
<b>Total:</b>			93,653	80,930	-12,723	116%

**Pacific Cod, Catcher Vessel (Hook-and-Line)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	182	182	0	100%
B	10-JUN-04	31-DEC-04	69	121	52	57%
<b>Total:</b>			251	303	52	83%

**Pacific Cod, Catcher Processor (Pot)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	2,061	2,003	-58	103%
B	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	1,173	1,335	162	88%

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<b>Total:</b>			3,234	3,338	104	97%

**Pacific Cod, Catcher Vessel (Pot)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	9,125	9,105	-20	100%
B	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	3,175	6,070	2,895	52%
<b>Total:</b>			12,299	15,175	2,876	81%

**Pacific Cod (Jig)**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	30-APR-04	60	50	-10	120%
	30-APR-04	31-AUG-04	154	797	643	19%
C	31-AUG-04	31-DEC-04	0	1,595	1,595	0%
<b>Total:</b>			214	2,442	2,228	9%

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**Chinook Salmon**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pollock (Pelagic)	Count	51,175	26,825	-24,350	191%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>51,175</b>	<b>26,825</b>	<b>-24,350</b>	<b>191%</b>	<b>0</b>

**Halibut Mortality**

**Non-Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
X	Pacific Cod (Hook-and-Line)	MT	427	775	348	55%	19
	Non-Pacific Cod (Hook-and-Line)	MT	24	58	34	41%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>450</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>19</b>

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pacific Cod	MT	1,519	1,434	-85	106%	0
	Rockfish	MT	57	69	12	82%	0
X	Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish (Trawl)	MT	823	779	-44	106%	0
	Pollock, Atka Mackerel, Other Species	MT	141	232	91	61%	0
X	Yellowfin Sole (Trawl)	MT	560	886	326	63%	0
	Turbot/Sablefish/Arrowtooth Flounder	MT	85	0	-85	0%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>3,185</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>0</b>

**Herring**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pacific Cod	MT	8	25	17	33%	0
	Rockfish	MT	0	9	9	0%	0
	Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish	MT	7	25	18	29%	0
	Pollock, Atka Mackerel, Other Species	MT	33	179	146	19%	0
	Pollock Pelagic	MT	964	1,456	492	66%	0
	Yellowfin Sole	MT	80	171	91	47%	0
	Greenland Turbot, Arrowtooth, Sablefish	MT	1	11	10	8%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1,094</b>	<b>1,876</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>0</b>

**Opilio (Tanner) Crab - COBLZ**

**Trawl Gear**

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**Opilio (Tanner) Crab - COBLZ**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons:	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pacific Cod	Count	51,627	124,736	73,109	41%	0
	Rockfish	Count	0	40,237	40,237	0%	0
	Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish	Count	102,064	969,130	867,066	11%	0
	Pollock, Atka Mackerel, Other Species	Count	9,537	72,428	62,891	13%	0
	Yellowfin Sole	Count	1,529,874	2,776,981	1,247,107	55%	0
	Greenland Turbot, Arrowtooth, Sablefish	Count	0	40,238	40,238	0%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1,693,101</b>	<b>4,023,750</b>	<b>2,330,649</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>0</b>

**Bairdi Crab, Zone 1**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons:	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pacific Cod	Count	60,429	183,112	122,683	33%	0
	Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish	Count	128,154	365,320	237,166	35%	0
	Pollock, Atka Mackerel, Other Species	Count	696	17,224	16,528	4%	0
	Yellowfin Sole	Count	19,012	340,844	321,832	6%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>208,292</b>	<b>906,500</b>	<b>698,208</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>0</b>

**Bairdi Crab, Zone 2**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons:	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pacific Cod	Count	135,295	324,176	188,881	42%	0
	Rockfish	Count	194	10,988	10,794	2%	0
	Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish	Count	126,209	596,154	469,945	21%	0
	Pollock, Atka Mackerel, Other Species	Count	3,206	27,473	24,267	12%	0
	Yellowfin Sole	Count	119,058	1,788,459	1,669,401	7%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>383,962</b>	<b>2,747,250</b>	<b>2,363,288</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>0</b>

**Red King Crab, Zone 1**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons:	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pacific Cod	Count	665	26,563	25,898	3%	0
	Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish	Count	31,910	121,413	89,503	26%	0
	Pollock, Atka Mackerel, Other Species	Count	26	406	380	6%	0



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**Red King Crab, Zone 1**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Yellowfin Sole	Count	36,587	33,843	-2,744	108%	0
<b>Total:</b>			<b>69,188</b>	<b>182,225</b>	<b>113,037</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>0</b>

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"Other flatfish" for PSC monitoring: all flatfish species, except for Pacific halibut (a prohibited species), Greenland turbot, rock sole, yellowfin sole, arrowtooth flounder.

COBLZ: C. Opilio Crab Bycatch Limitation Zone. 50 CFR 679.21(e) and Figure 13.

Zone 1: Federal Reporting Areas 508, 509, 512, 516.

Zone 2: Federal Reporting Areas 513, 517, 521.

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**Non-Chinook Salmon, CVOA**

**Trawl Gear**

Season	Begin	End	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken
Non-Chinook Salmon CVOA	15-AUG-04	14-OCT-04	Count	163,681	38,850	-124,831	421%
<b>Total:</b>				<b>163,681</b>	<b>38,850</b>	<b>-124,831</b>	<b>421%</b>

**Halibut Mortality**

**Pacific Cod (Hook-and-Line)**

Season	Begin	End	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken
1st Season	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	MT	140	320	180	44%
2nd Season	10-JUN-04	15-AUG-04	MT	1	0	-1	0%
3rd Season	15-AUG-04	31-DEC-04	MT	286	455	169	63%
<b>Total:</b>				<b>427</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>55%</b>

**Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish (Trawl)**

Season	Begin	End	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken
1st Season	20-JAN-04	01-APR-04	MT	447	448	1	100%
2nd Season	01-APR-04	04-JUL-04	MT	155	164	9	94%
3rd Season	04-JUL-04	31-DEC-04	MT	221	167	-54	132%
<b>Total:</b>				<b>823</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>-44</b>	<b>106%</b>

**Yellowfin Sole (Trawl)**

Season	Begin	End	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken
1st Season	20-JAN-04	01-APR-04	MT	166	262	96	63%
2nd Season	01-APR-04	21-MAY-04	MT	191	195	4	98%
3rd Season	21-MAY-04	04-JUL-04	MT	173	49	-124	352%
4th Season	04-JUL-04	31-DEC-04	MT	31	380	349	8%
<b>Total:</b>				<b>560</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>63%</b>

This report does not include the CDQ allocated catch.

CVOA: Catcher Vessel Operational Area. 50 CFR 679.22(a)(5) and Figure 2.

Other flatfish for PSC monitoring: all flatfish species, except for Pacific halibut (a prohibited species), Greenland turbot, rock sole, yellowfin sole, arrowtooth flounder.

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**Red King Crab, RKCSS**

**Trawl Gear**

Season	Begin	End	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken
Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, Other Flatfish (Non Pelagic)	20-JAN-04	31-DEC-04	Count	69,173	42,495	-26,678	163%
<b>Total:</b>				<b>69,173</b>	<b>42,495</b>	<b>-26,678</b>	<b>163%</b>

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**Western, Central Pollock**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
X	Pollock, 610 Shumagin	22,861	22,930	69	100%	0
X	Pollock, 620 Chirikof	23,736	26,490	2,754	90%	0
X	Pollock, 630 Kodiak	14,332	14,040	-292	102%	0

**Western Gulf**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Arrowtooth Flounder	2,837	8,000	5,163	35%	0
	Deep Water Flatfish	7	310	303	2%	0
	Shallow Water Flatfish	136	4,500	4,364	3%	0
	Flathead Sole	831	2,000	1,169	42%	0
	Rex Sole	526	1,680	1,154	31%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch	2,195	2,520	325	87%	0
	Shortraker/Rougeye Rockfish	270	254	-16	106%	0
	Thornyhead Rockfish	271	410	139	66%	0
	Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	280	370	90	76%	0
	Northern Rockfish	1,025	770	-255	133%	0
	Other Rockfish	242	40	-202	606%	0
X	Pacific Cod, Inshore	14,013	15,261	1,248	92%	0
X	Pacific Cod, Offshore	1,281	1,696	415	76%	0
	Sablefish (Hook-and-Line)	1,832	2,344	512	78%	0
	Sablefish (Trawl)	177	586	409	30%	0

**Central Gulf**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Arrowtooth Flounder	12,278	25,000	12,722	49%	0
	Big/Longnose Skates	1,423	3,284	1,861	43%	0
	Deep Water Flatfish	614	2,970	2,356	21%	0
	Shallow Water Flatfish	2,806	13,000	10,194	22%	0
	Flathead Sole	1,559	5,000	3,441	31%	0
	Rex Sole	936	7,340	6,404	13%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch	8,446	8,390	-56	101%	0
	Shortraker/Rougeye Rockfish	329	656	327	50%	0
	Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	2,158	3,010	852	72%	0
	Northern Rockfish	3,711	4,100	389	91%	0
	Thornyhead Rockfish	400	1,010	610	40%	0
	Other Rockfish	527	300	-227	176%	0

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**Central Gulf**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
X	Pacific Cod, Inshore	25,125	24,404	-721	103%	0
X	Pacific Cod, Offshore	1,931	2,712	781	71%	0
	Sablefish (Hook-and-Line)	6,057	5,840	-217	104%	0
	Sablefish (Trawl)	989	1,460	471	68%	0

**Eastern Gulf**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Shortraker/Rougheye Rockfish	379	408	29	93%	0
	Thornyhead Rockfish	136	520	384	26%	0
	Pacific Cod, Inshore	112	3,564	3,452	3%	0
	Pacific Cod, Offshore	0	396	396	0%	0

**West Yakutat**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Arrowtooth Flounder	76	2,500	2,424	3%	0
	Deep Water Flatfish	55	1,880	1,825	3%	0
	Shallow Water Flatfish	1	2,030	2,029	0%	0
	Flathead Sole	0	3,430	3,430	0%	0
	Rex Sole	0	1,340	1,340	0%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch	877	830	-47	106%	0
	Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	199	210	11	95%	0
	Other Rockfish	76	130	54	58%	0
	Pollock	144	1,280	1,136	11%	0
	Sablefish (Hook-and-Line)	2,000	2,234	234	90%	0
	Sablefish (Trawl)	142	316	174	45%	0

**Southeast**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Arrowtooth Flounder	34	2,500	2,466	1%	0
	Deep Water Flatfish	4	910	906	0%	0
	Shallow Water Flatfish	0	1,210	1,210	0%	0
	Flathead Sole	0	450	450	0%	0
	Rex Sole	0	2,290	2,290	0%	0
	Pacific Ocean Perch	0	1,600	1,600	0%	0
	Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	11	880	869	1%	0
	Other Rockfish	28	200	172	14%	0



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**Southeast**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Pollock	0	6,520	6,520	0%	0
	Demersal Shelf Rockfish	251	450	199	56%	6
	Sablefish (Hook-and-Line)	3,792	3,770	-22	101%	0

**Entire Gulf**

Sea- sons	Account	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Atka Mackerel	817	600	-217	136%	0
	Other Skates	1,385	3,709	2,324	37%	0
	Other Species	1,633	12,942	11,309	13%	0
<b>Total:</b>		<b>168,294</b>	<b>271,776</b>	<b>103,482</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>7</b>

Deep water flatfish: Dover sole, Greenland turbot, and deepsea sole.

Shallow water flatfish: flatfish not including deep water flatfish, flathead sole, rex sole, or arrowtooth flounder.

Other rockfish in the Western and Central Regulatory Areas and in the West Yakutat District: slope rockfish and demersal shelf rockfish.

Other rockfish in the Southeast Outside District: slope rockfish.

Slope rockfish: aurora, blackgill, bocaccio, chilipepper, darkblotch, greenstriped, harlequin, pygmy, redbanded, redstripe, sharpchin, shortbelly, silvergrey, splitnose, stripetail, vermilion, and yellowmouth.

In the Eastern GOA only, "slope rockfish" also includes northern rockfish.

Demersal shelf rockfish: canary, china, copper, quillback, rosethorn, tiger, and yelloweye.

Pelagic shelf rockfish: dusky, widow, and yellowtail.

Other species: sculpins, sharks, skates, squid, and octopus.

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**Western, Central Pollock**  
**Pollock, 610 Shumagin**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	25-FEB-04	3,315	3,747	432	88%
B	10-MAR-04	31-MAY-04	3,941	3,748	-193	105%
C	25-AUG-04	15-SEP-04	7,605	7,717	112	99%
D	01-OCT-04	01-NOV-04	7,723	7,718	-5	100%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>22,585</b>			

**Pollock, 620 Chirikof**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	25-FEB-04	5,784	9,027	3,243	64%
B	10-MAR-04	31-MAY-04	11,787	10,704	-1,083	110%
C	25-AUG-04	15-SEP-04	3,076	3,380	304	91%
D	01-OCT-04	01-NOV-04	3,077	3,379	302	91%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>23,724</b>			

**Pollock, 630 Kodiak**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	20-JAN-04	25-FEB-04	2,076	3,091	1,015	67%
B	10-MAR-04	31-MAY-04	4,664	1,413	-3,251	330%
C	25-AUG-04	15-SEP-04	4,253	4,768	515	89%
D	01-OCT-04	01-NOV-04	3,059	4,768	1,709	64%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>14,052</b>			

**Western Gulf**

**Pacific Cod, Inshore**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	10,425	9,157	-1,268	114%
B	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	3,530	6,104	2,574	58%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>13,955</b>	<b>15,261</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>91%</b>

**Pacific Cod, Offshore**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	626	1,017	391	62%
B	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	452	679	227	67%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1,078</b>	<b>1,696</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>64%</b>

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Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	15,355	14,643	-712	105%
B	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	8,061	9,761	1,700	83%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>23,416</b>	<b>24,404</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>96%</b>

**Pacific Cod, Offshore**

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Quota	Remaining Quota	% Taken
A	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	1,347	1,627	280	83%
B	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	463	1,085	622	43%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1,810</b>	<b>2,712</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>67%</b>

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**Chinook Salmon**

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Chinook Salmon	Count	17,772	0			0
<b>Total:</b>			17,772	0			0

**Halibut Mortality**

**Non-Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
X	Other Hook-and-Line Fisheries	MT	296	290	-6	102%	0
<b>Total:</b>			296	290	-6	102%	0

**Trawl Gear**

Sea- sons	Account	Units	Total Catch	Limit	Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
	Trawl Fishery	MT	2,256	2,000	-256	113%	0
<b>Total:</b>			2,256	2,000	-256	113%	0

No PSC Limits apply to salmon in the GOA.

Other hook-and-line fisheries means all hook-and-line fisheries except sablefish and demersal shelf rockfish in the Southeast District. The hook-and-line sablefish fishery is exempt from halibut bycatch limits.

Halibut mortality for the demersal shelf rockfish fishery, Southeast District is not listed due to insufficient observer coverage.

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## Trawl Fisheries

### Deep Water Species Complex

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Limit	Limit Remaining	% Taken
1st Season	20-JAN-04	01-APR-04	163	100	-63	163%
2nd Season	01-APR-04	04-JUL-04	293	300	7	98%
3rd Season	04-JUL-04	01-SEP-04	385	400	15	96%
4th Season	01-SEP-04	30-SEP-04	2	0	-2	0%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>844</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>-44</b>	<b>105%</b>

### Shallow Water Species Complex

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Limit	Limit Remaining	% Taken
1st Season	20-JAN-04	01-APR-04	397	450	53	88%
2nd Season	01-APR-04	04-JUL-04	157	100	-57	157%
3rd Season	04-JUL-04	01-SEP-04	35	200	165	18%
4th Season	01-SEP-04	30-SEP-04	821	150	-671	547%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1,410</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>-510</b>	<b>157%</b>

## Year-To-Date

Account	Total Catch	Limit	Limit Remaining	% Taken	Last Wk Catch
Trawl Fishery	2,256	2,000	-256	113%	0

## Other Hook-and-Line Fisheries

Season	Begin	End	Total Catch	Limit	Limit Remaining	% Taken
1st Season	01-JAN-04	10-JUN-04	218	250	32	87%
2nd Season	10-JUN-04	01-SEP-04	0	5	5	7%
3rd Season	01-SEP-04	31-DEC-04	78	35	-43	222%
<b>Total:</b>			<b>296</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>102%</b>

Deep-water species complex: sablefish, rockfish, deep-water flatfish, rex sole and arrowtooth flounder. Shallow-water species complex: pollock, Pacific cod, shallow-water flatfish, flathead sole, Atka mackerel, and 'other species'.

No apportionment between shallow-water and deep-water fishery complexes during October 1 to December 31 (300 mt allocated).

Other hook-and-line fisheries means all hook-and-line fisheries except sablefish and demersal shelf rockfish in the Southeast District. The hook-and-line sablefish fishery is exempt from halibut bycatch restrictions.

Halibut mortality for the demersal shelf rockfish fishery, Southeast District is not listed due to insufficient observer coverage.



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# MS CDQ/PSQ Catch To Date 2004

For All CDQ Groups Combined

Reflects CDQ Catch Reports received 01/01/04 through 12/02/04

National Marine Fisheries Service  
Alaska Regional Office  
Community Development Quota Program



	Amount Available	Catch To Date	Amount Remaining	Percent Remaining
<b>CDQ Reserve Category (metric tons)</b>				
BS Pollock	149,200.000	149,169.465	30.535	0.02
Pacific Cod	16,163.000	12,906.644	3,256.356	20.15
BS FG Sablefish	290.000	136.674	153.326	52.87
AI FG Sablefish	465.000	14.040	450.960	96.98
BS Sablefish	109.000	20.841	88.159	80.88
AI Sablefish	58.000	0.153	57.847	99.74
WAI Atka Mackerel	1,550.000	1,475.594	74.406	4.80
CAI Atka Mackerel	2,333.000	2,247.893	85.107	3.65
EAI/BS Atka Mackerel	843.000	770.255	72.745	8.63
Yellowfin Sole	6,456.000	6,320.145	135.855	2.10
Rock Sole	3,075.000	891.108	2,183.892	71.02
BS Greenland Turbot	203.000	30.306	172.694	85.07
AI Greenland Turbot	60.000	29.093	30.907	51.51
Arrowtooth Flounder	900.000	408.400	491.600	54.62
Flathead Sole	1,425.000	537.211	887.789	62.30
Other Flatfish	225.000	72.343	152.657	67.85
Alaska Plaice	750.000	301.594	448.406	59.79
BS Pacific Ocean Perch	106.000	1.560	104.440	98.53
WAI Pacific Ocean Perch	389.000	336.488	52.512	13.50
CAI Pacific Ocean Perch	219.000	170.409	48.591	22.19
EAI Pacific Ocean Perch	229.000	165.321	63.679	27.81
Northern Rockfish	375.000	403.053	(28.053)	(7.48)
Shortraker Rockfish	39.000	28.717	10.283	26.37
Rougheye Rockfish	15.000	3.469	11.531	76.87
BS Other Rockfish	35.000	3.578	31.422	89.78
AI Other Rockfish	48.000	17.435	30.565	63.68
Other Species	2,040.000	2,955.718	(915.718)	(44.89)

## PSQ Reserve Category (halibut in metric tons, all others in numbers of animals)

Zone 1 Red King Crab	14,775.000	175.000	14,600.000	98.82
Zone 1 Bairdi Tanner Crab	73,500.000	1,679.000	71,821.000	97.72
Zone 2 Bairdi Tanner Crab	222,751.000	13,483.000	209,268.000	93.95
Opilio Tanner Crab	326,251.000	29,860.000	296,391.000	90.85
Pacific Halibut	343.000	142.835	200.165	58.36
Chinook Salmon	2,177.000	2,966.000	(789.000)	(36.24)
Non-Chinook Salmon	3,151.000	960.000	2,191.000	69.53

Totals for CDQ Reserve Categories (PSQs not included) 187,600.000 179,417.507 8,182.493 4.36

## Non-CDQ Categories

Pollock ICA	1,252.640
Chinook Salmon, Total	3,010.000
Non-Chinook Salmon, Total	10,424.000

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Dear Madam Chair,

In October, we committed to providing the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) a December status report on Amendment 79 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutians Area (FMP). The Council adopted Amendment 79 in June 2003. This amendment would revise the Goals and Objectives of the FMP to add the concept of a minimum groundfish retention standard (GRS) for all groundfish fisheries. Amendment 79 also would provide the authority for regulatory provisions that would establish an annual increase in the GRS for non American Fisheries Act (AFA) authorized trawl catch processor (C/P) vessels greater than 125 feet length overall. The Council's recommended schedule for these the annual GRS levels started in 2005 at 65 percent and increased to 85 percent by 2008.

In October, we acknowledged to the Council that Amendment 79 and its proposed rule were delayed due, in part, to the reassignment of staff resources to the development of the proposed rule for the crab rationalization program. We now have redistributed staff resources to again focus on Amendment 79 and the development of draft regulatory text, resolution of any remaining implementation issues, and submission of the FMP amendment and proposed rule for approval. We anticipate that Amendment 79 and the proposed rule will be submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for review in late May 2005. If Amendment 79 and the associated proposed rule are approved, the final rule is scheduled to be submitted to the Secretary in early October 2005. We believe that this schedule (see attachment) would provide sufficient lead time to affected industry members to understand and comply with new scale and observer requirements under the proposed program so that compliance monitoring of an annual GRS may be initiated at the start of the 2006 fishing year.

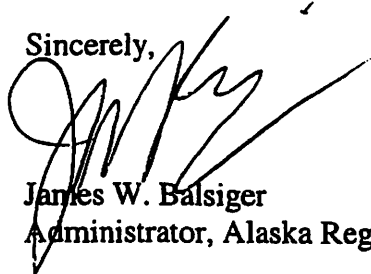
Assuming Amendment 79 is approved by Fall 2005, we intend to develop the associated proposed rule in a manner that would establish a 2006 GRS of 75 percent for the first year of the program. This GRS level corresponds with the Council's recommended schedule for a stepwise increase of the GRS. Although the Council had recommended that the GRS program be implemented in 2005 at a 65 percent level, this level essentially reflected the fleet wide status quo for groundfish retention rates. We anticipate that a delay in the implementation of the GRS program until 2006 and using the Council recommended 2006 rate of 75 percent rather than a first year rate of 65 percent would pose a challenge for some vessels. We intend to specifically solicit public review and comment on first year implementation of the GRS program at 75 percent.



Similarly, we also intend to focus the public's attention on how we propose to address groundfish species that are on prohibited species status in the calculation of vessel specific compliance with the annual GRS. When the Council took action on Amendment 79 in June 2003, it did not anticipate that many of the flatfish species the non AFA trawl C/P fleet could retain incidental to other target catch would be limited by TAC considerations and not be allowed to be retained in any amount. This is the situation that arose this year when flatfish species typically retained by non AFA trawl C/P vessels were placed on prohibited species status. As a result, we intend to clarify in the proposed rule that the catch of any groundfish species on prohibited species status would be removed from the calculation of a vessel's compliance with the GRS. This approach is consistent with the Council's policy direction on how non groundfish species, including prohibited species such as halibut and crab, would be treated under the proposed rule, i.e, these species would be removed from the GRS calculation.

While public comment will be requested on all aspects of Amendment 79 and the associated proposed rule, NMFS intends to seek specific public comment on the two issues described above and any other recent events in the BSAI groundfish fisheries that could impact the fleet's ability to comply with a first year GRS of 75 percent. We will report back to the Council throughout 2005 on the progress of Amendment 79. The proposed schedule for rulemaking would allow for Council review and comment on the proposed rule at its June 2005 meeting if the Council so desired.

Sincerely,



James W. Balsiger  
Administrator, Alaska Region

**Attachment**

**Schedule for BSAI Amendment 79: Groundfish Retention Standard**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Milestones for Proposed Rule (PR) and Final Rule (FR)</b>	<b>Milestones for the FMP Amendment</b>
November 29	Implementation, Monitoring and Enforcement meeting	Same as PR
February 1, 2005	PR initial review of Regulatory and FMP text	Same as PR
February 15	PR SF review	Same as PR
April 15	PR regional review, IA to HQ	Same as PR
May 23	Send PR package to HQ	Send FMP package to HQ
May 30		NOA published/start 60 day public review
June 11	PR published/start 45 day comment period	
July 28	End of PR 45 day comment period	End of 60 day public review on NOA/start 30 day decision period
August 12	IA memo to HQ	Same as FR
August 25	Begin SF review of FR package	Date of Secretarial action on Amendment 79
September 16	Begin regional review of FR and FMP package	
October 7	Send FR and FMP package to HQ	
October 31	FR published/start of 30 day cooling off period	
November 29	End of 30 day cooling off period	
January 20, 2006	GRS effective date	