

**Alaska Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
Gulf of Alaska
Inseason Management Report
December 2012**



Catch data are through November 17, 2012

*Management reports can be found at:
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GULF OF ALASKA REPORTING AREAS

ALASKA

NPT = Non Pelagic Trawl

PTR = Pelagic Trawl

HAL = Hook and Line / Longline

CP = Catcher Processor

CV = Catcher Vessel

610

620

630

640

649

650

659

LEGEND

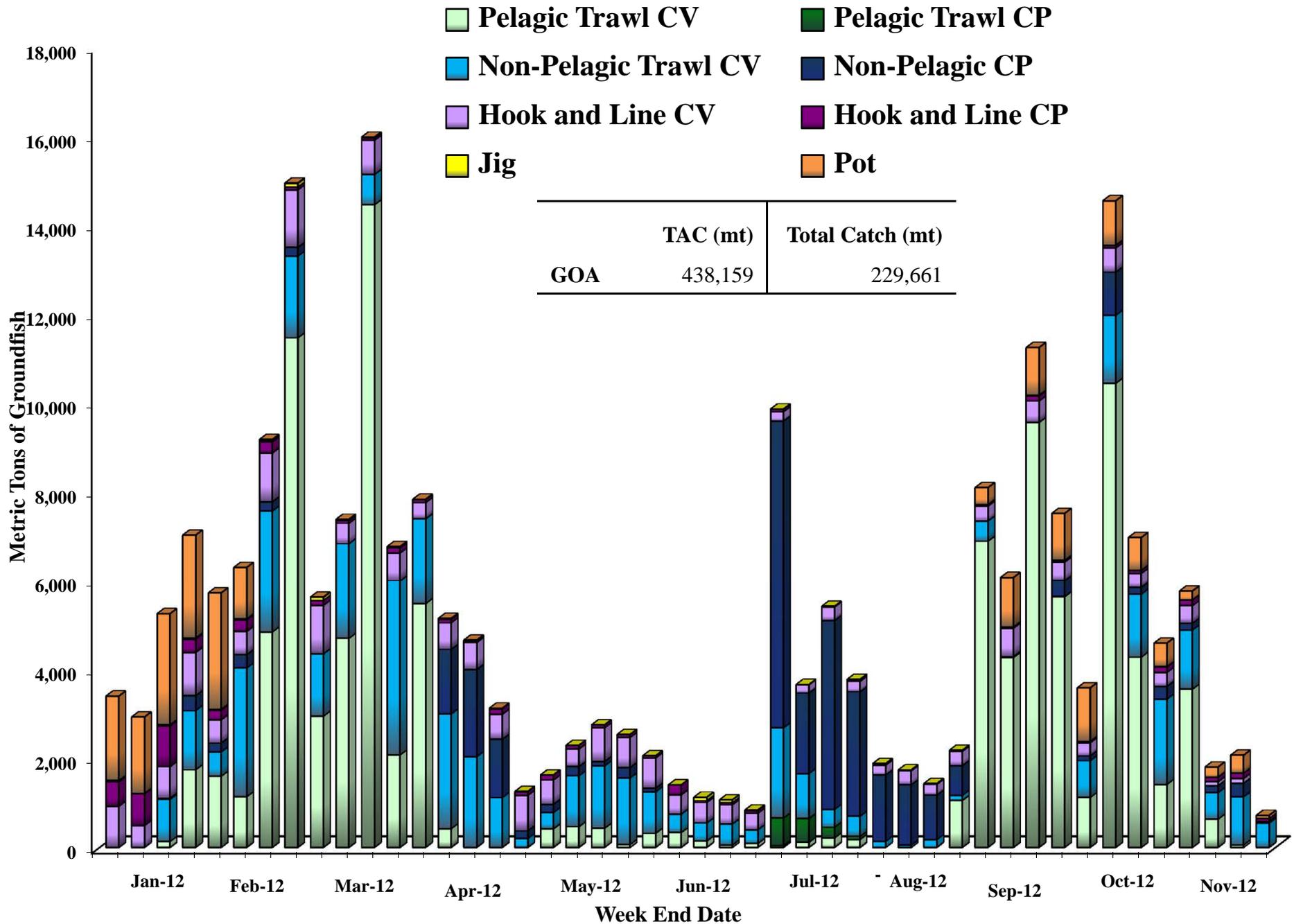
Western GOA = 610

Central GOA = 620 + 630

Eastern GOA =

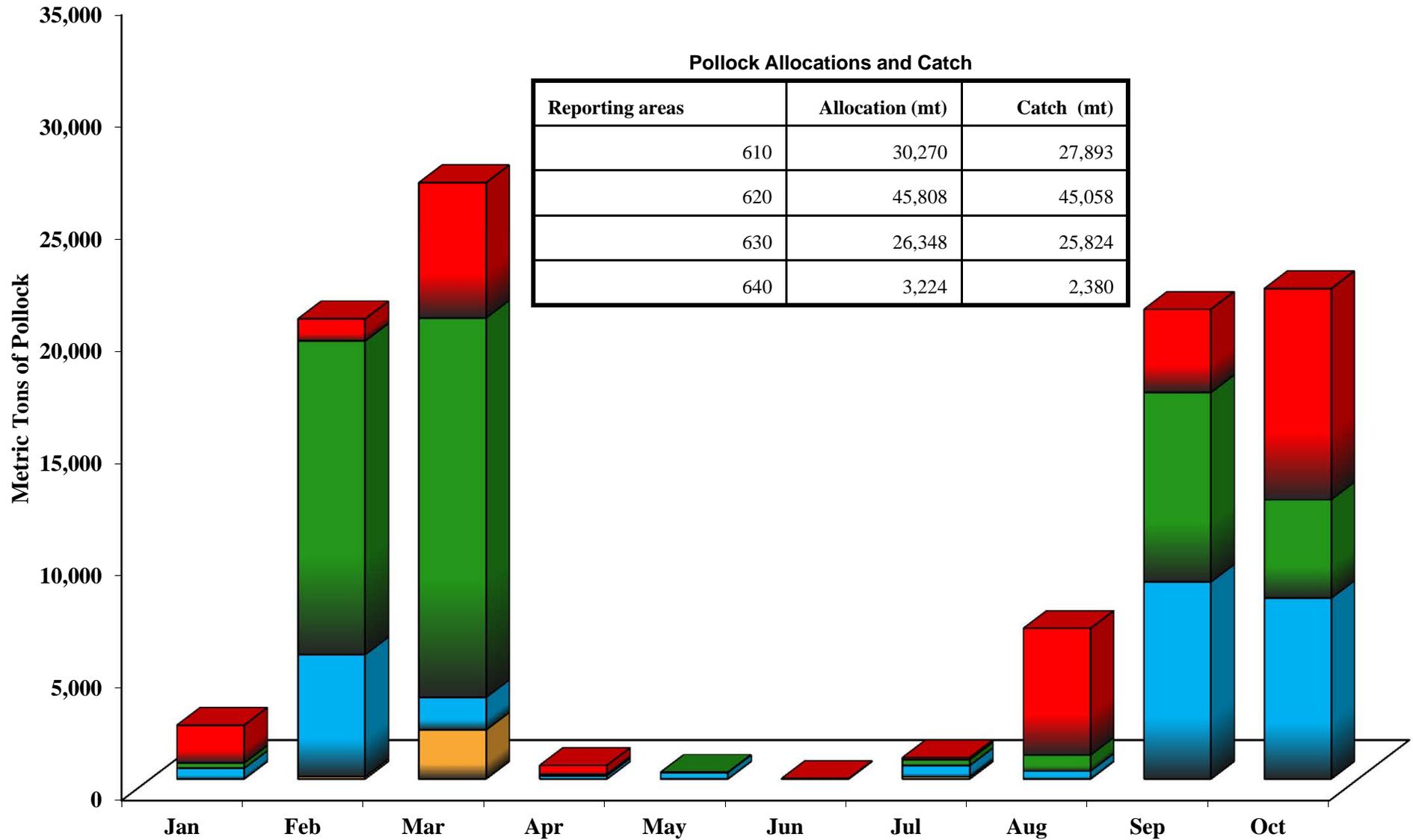
640 + 649 + 650 + 659

2012 GOA Total Groundfish Catch by Gear & Sector

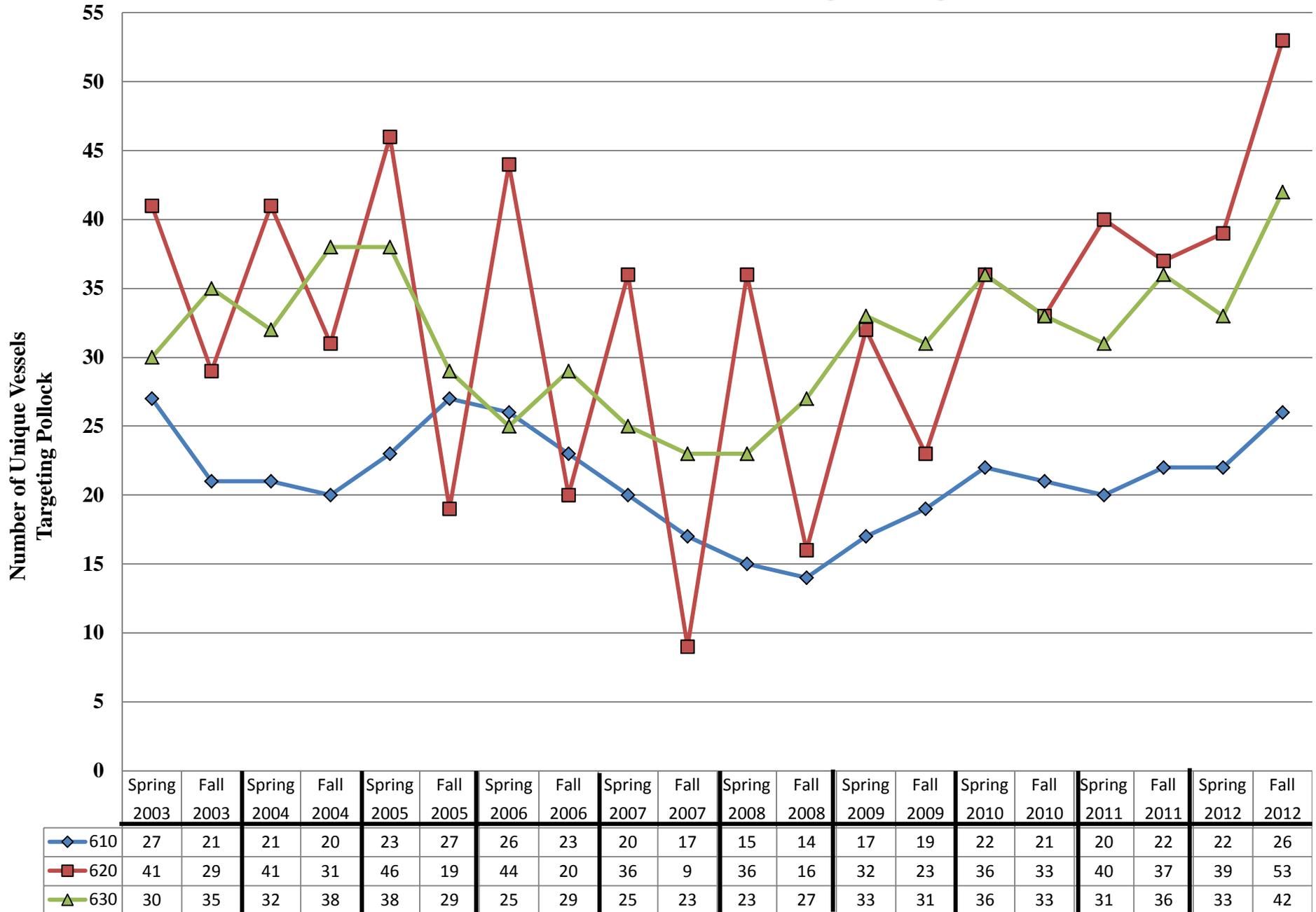


2012 Pollock Catch in GOA

■ 610
 ■ 620
 ■ 630
 ■ 640



2003 - 2012 Counts of Vessels Targeting GOA Pollock



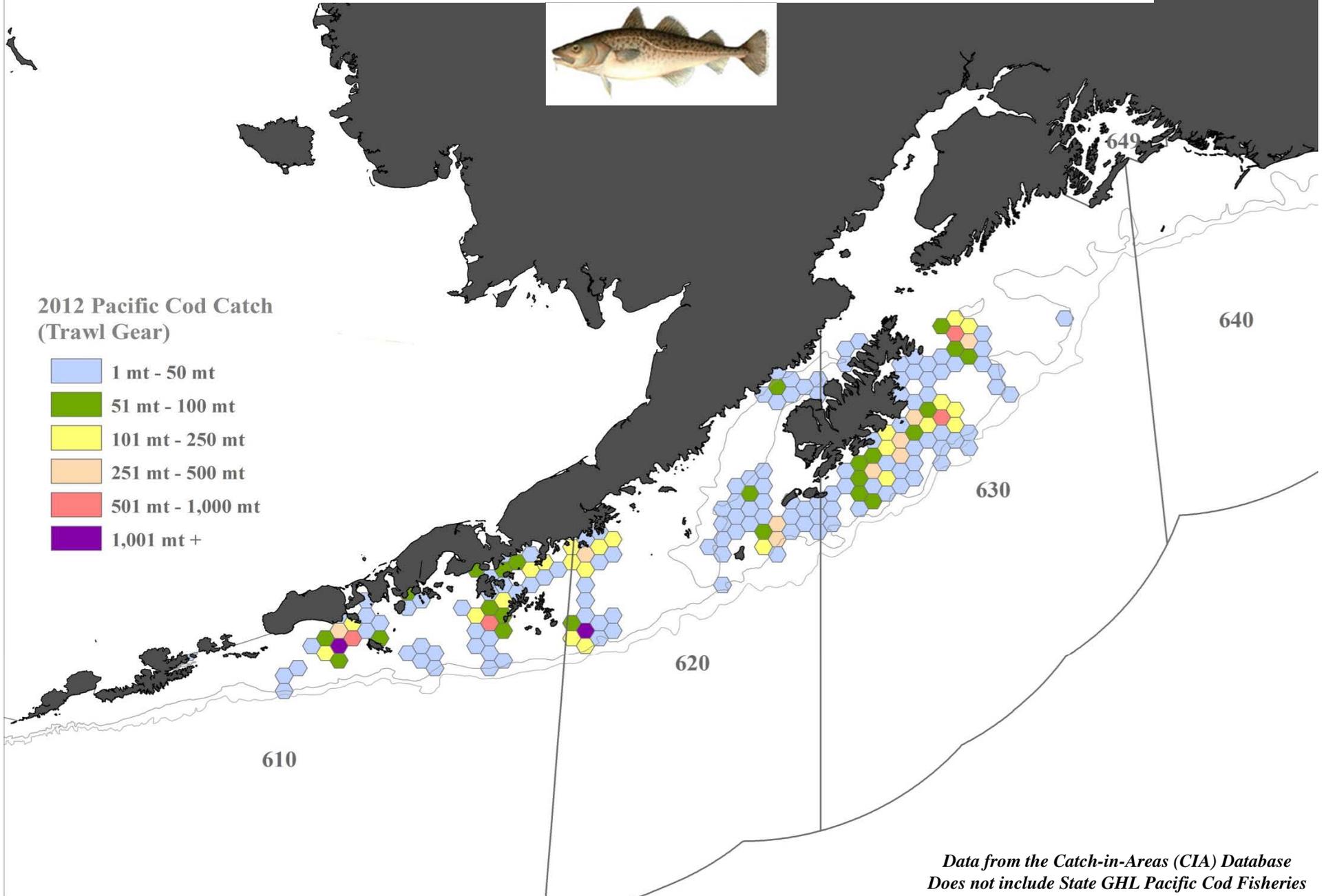
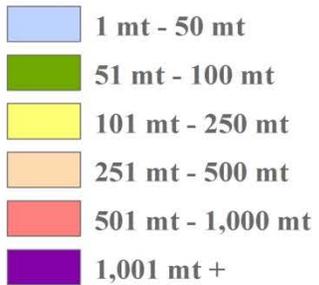
2012 Pollock Closures

| | | Open | Closed | Reason |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 610 Pollock | A Season | Jan 20 | Mar 10 | Season end |
| | B Season | Mar 10 | Apr 1 | TAC |
| | C Season | Aug 25 | Sep 10 | TAC |
| | D Season | Oct 1 | Oct 12 | TAC |
| | | Oct 19 | Oct 23 | TAC |
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| 620 Pollock | A Season | Jan 20 | Feb 27 | TAC |
| | B Season | Mar 10 | Mar 17 | TAC |
| | C Season | Aug 25 | Sep 18 | TAC |
| | D Season | Oct 1 | Oct 1 | TAC |
| | | Oct 24 | Nov 1 | Season end |
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| 630 Pollock | A Season | Jan 20 | Jan 23 | TAC |
| | | Feb 16 | Feb 25 | TAC |
| | B Season | Mar 10 | Mar 10 | TAC |
| | | Mar 21 | Mar 24 | TAC |
| | C Season | Aug 25 | Oct 1 | Season End |
| | D Season | Oct 1 | Oct 20 | TAC |

2012 Gulf of Alaska Trawl Pacific Cod Catch



2012 Pacific Cod Catch (Trawl Gear)

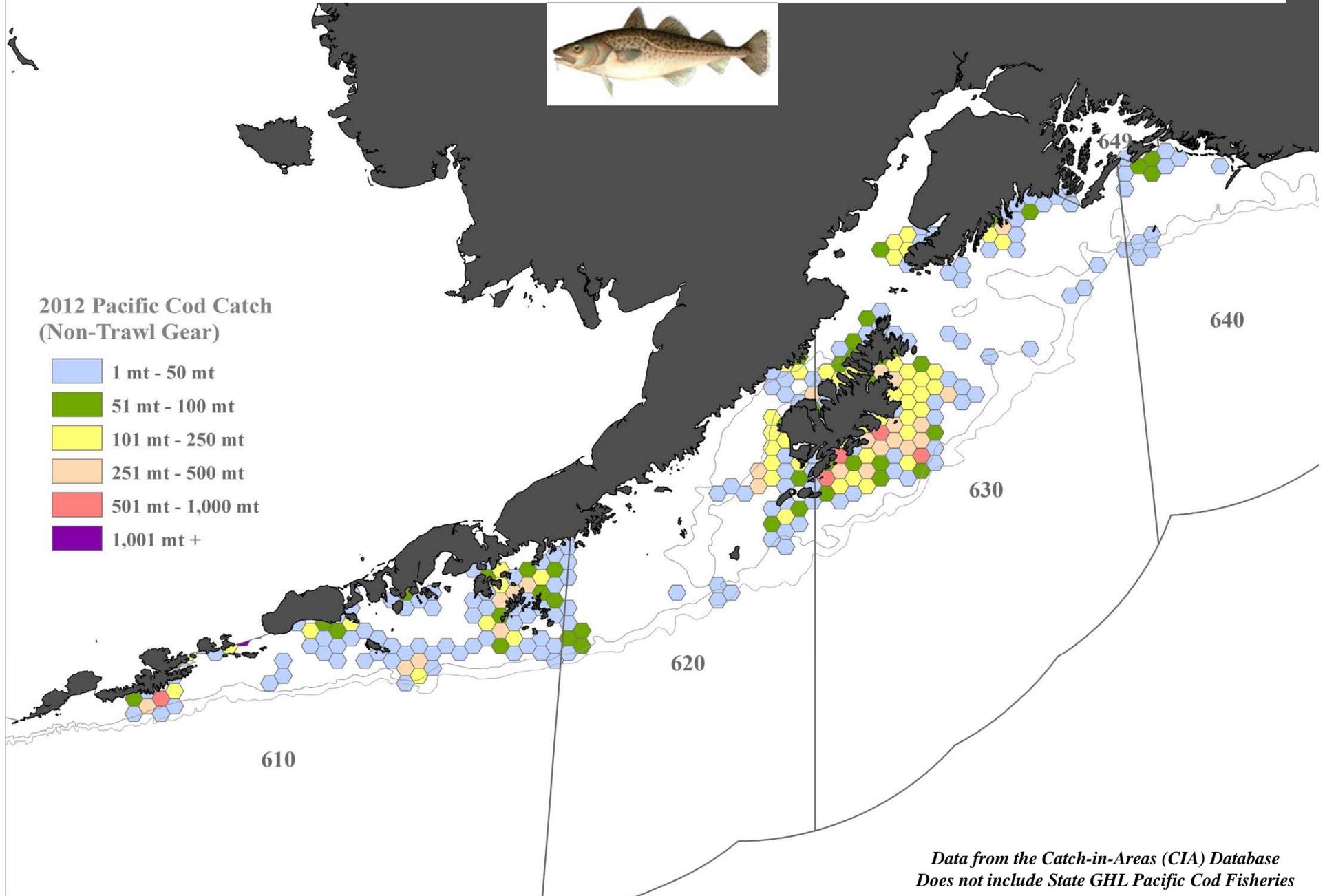
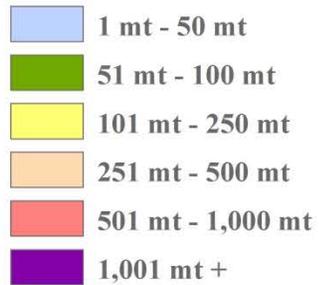


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Does not include State GHL Pacific Cod Fisheries*

2012 Gulf of Alaska Non-Trawl Pacific Cod Catch

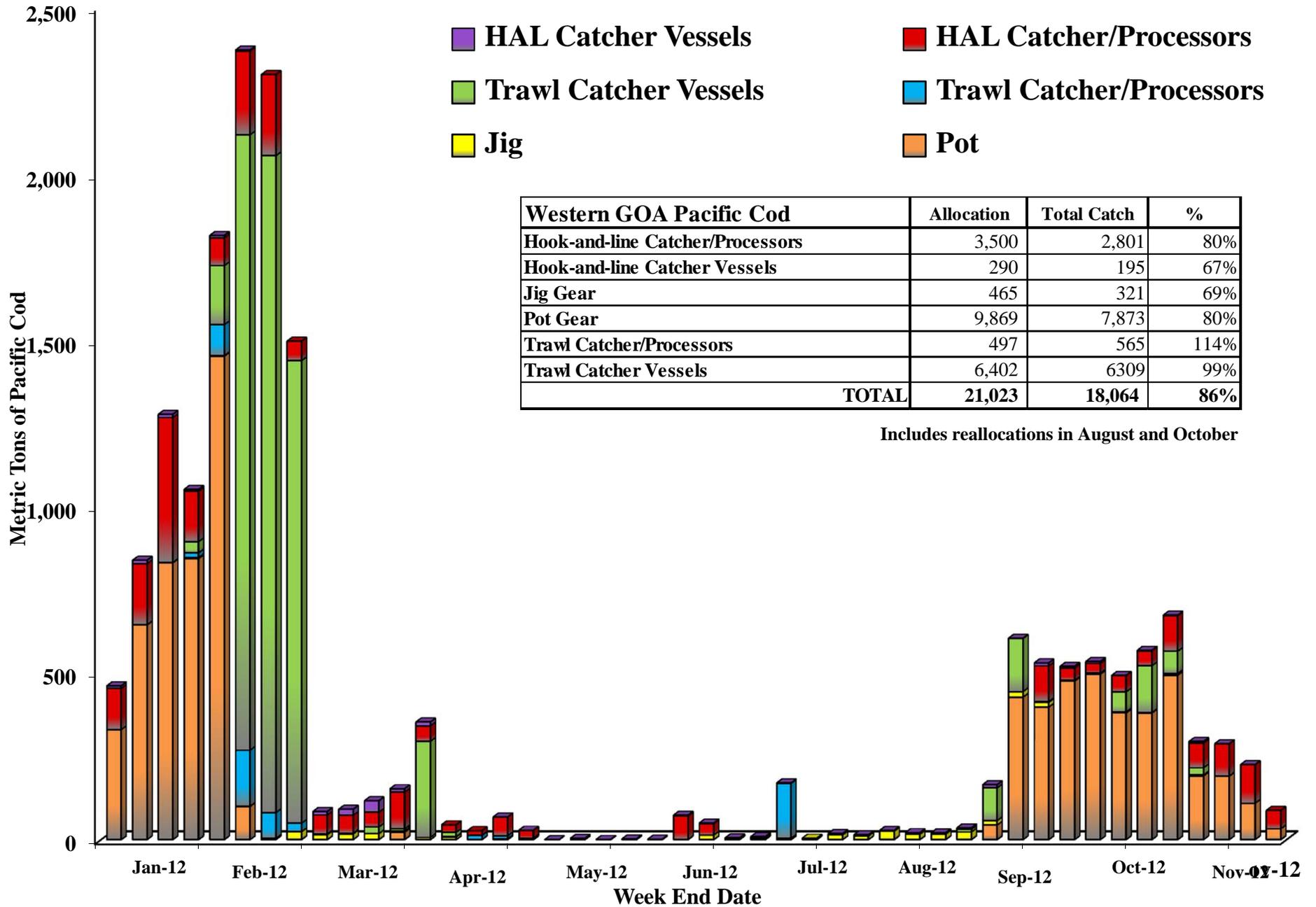


2012 Pacific Cod Catch (Non-Trawl Gear)

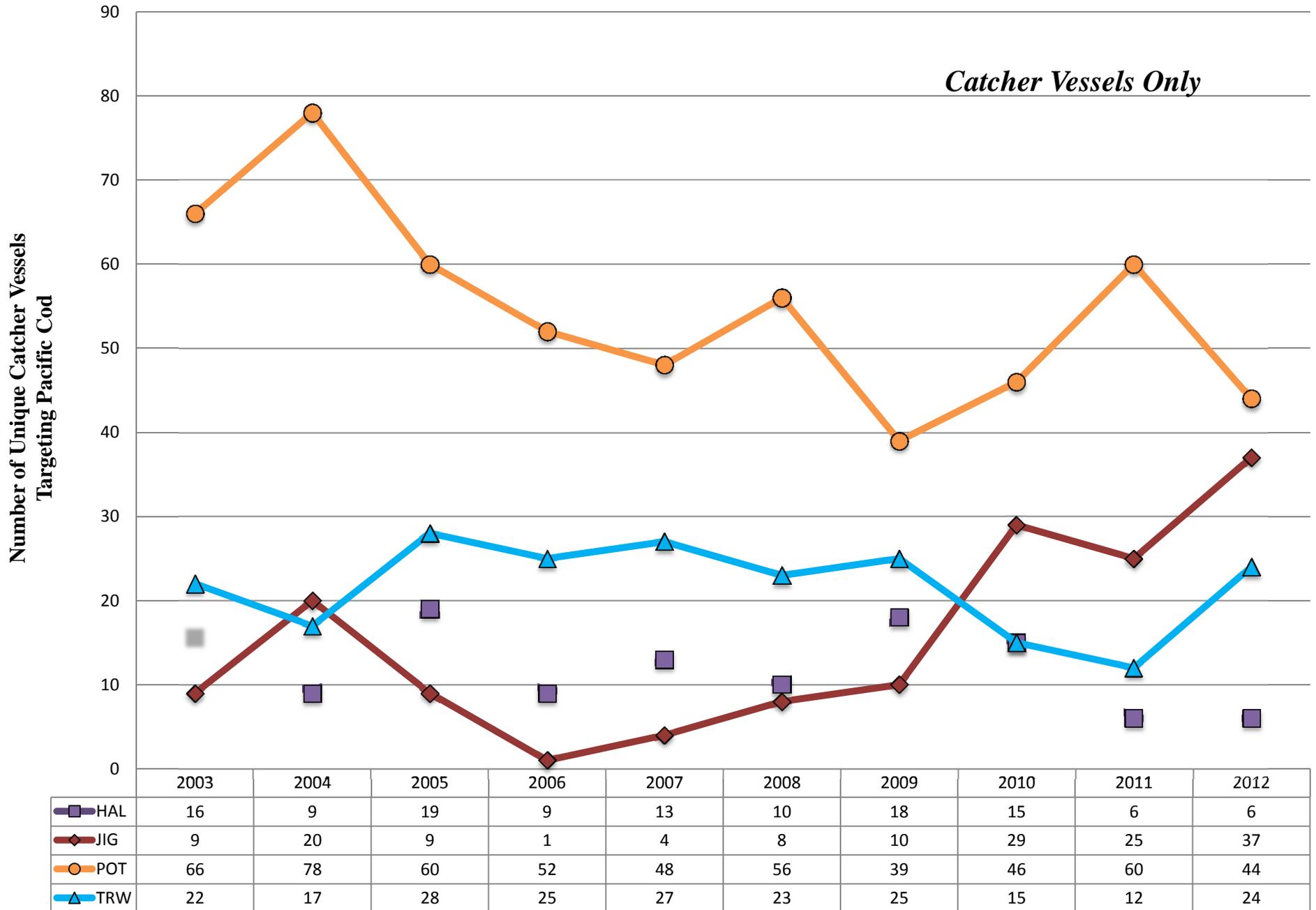


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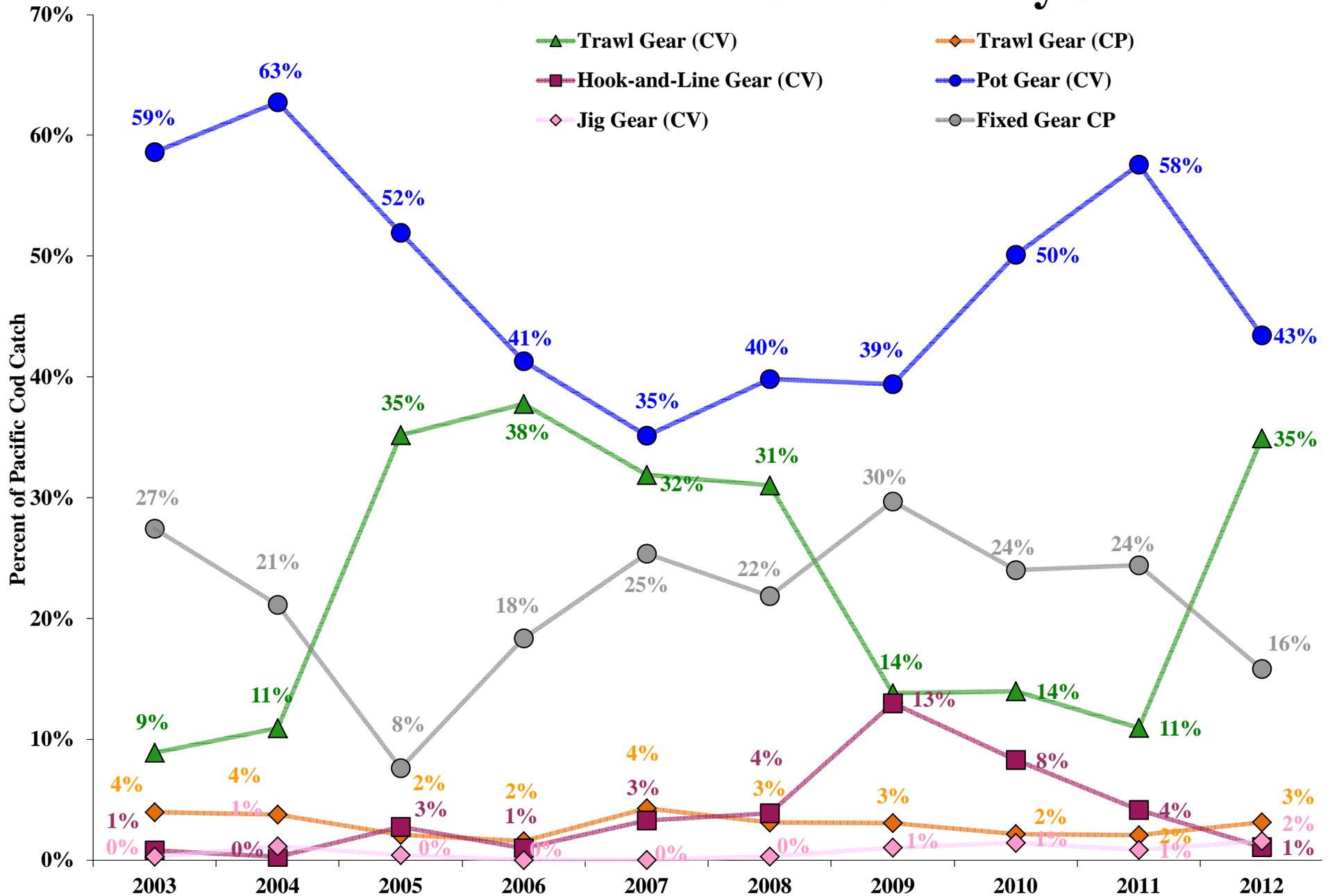
2012 Western Gulf Pacific Cod Catch by Week and Sector



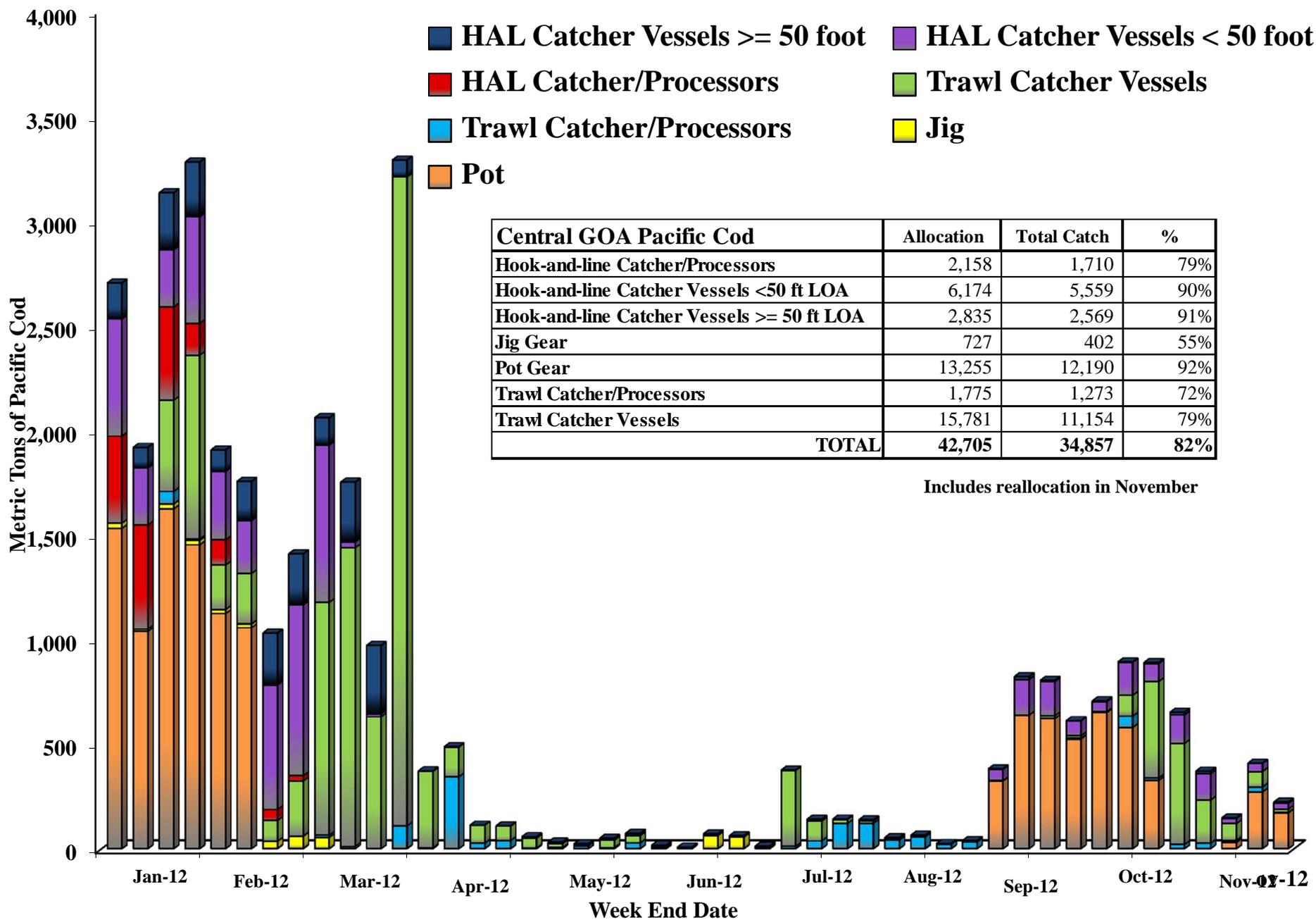
2003 - 2012 Counts of Vessels Targeting WGOA Pacific Cod



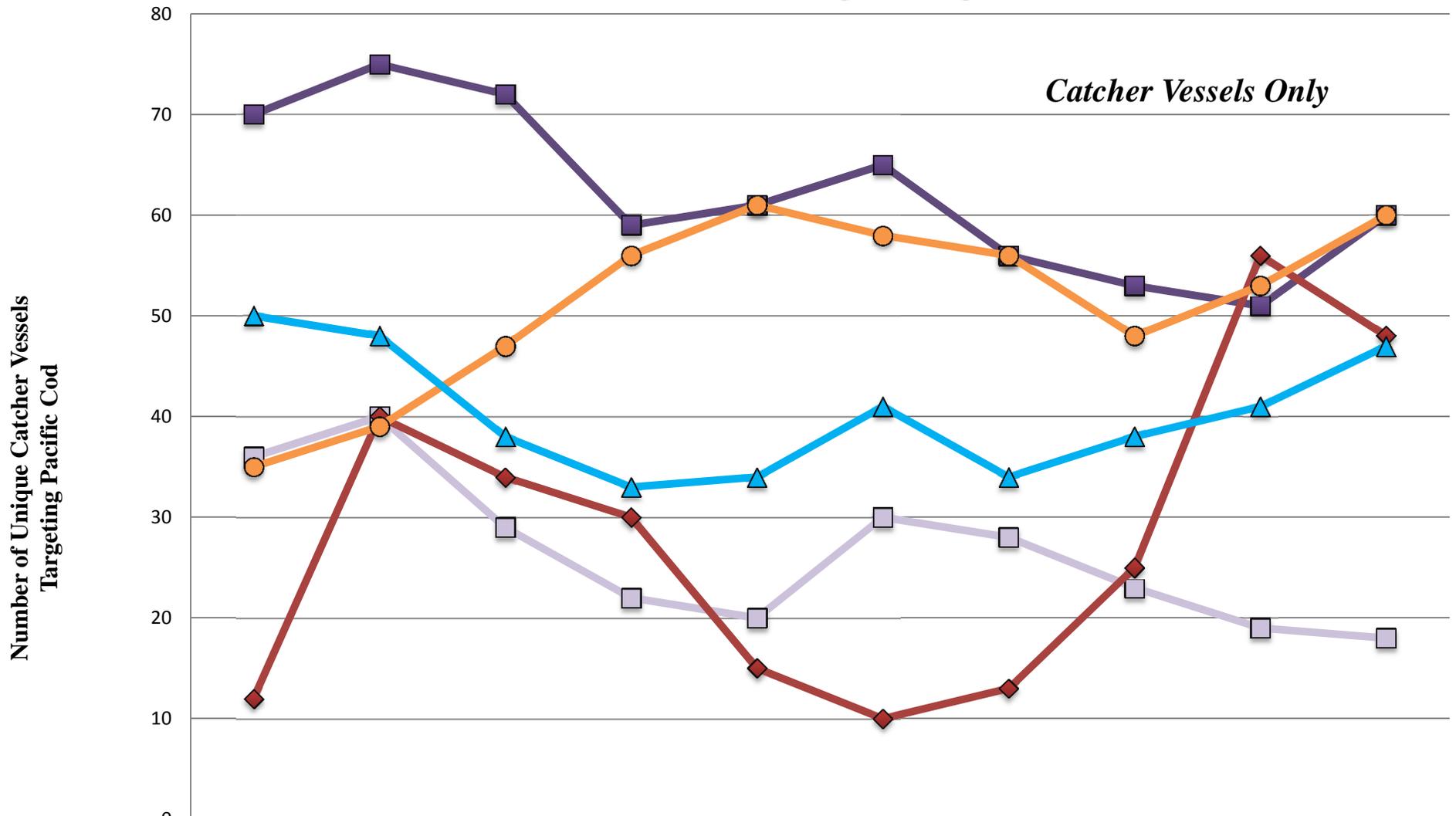
Annual Western Gulf Pacific Cod Catch by Sector



2012 Central Gulf Pacific Cod Catch by Week and Sector

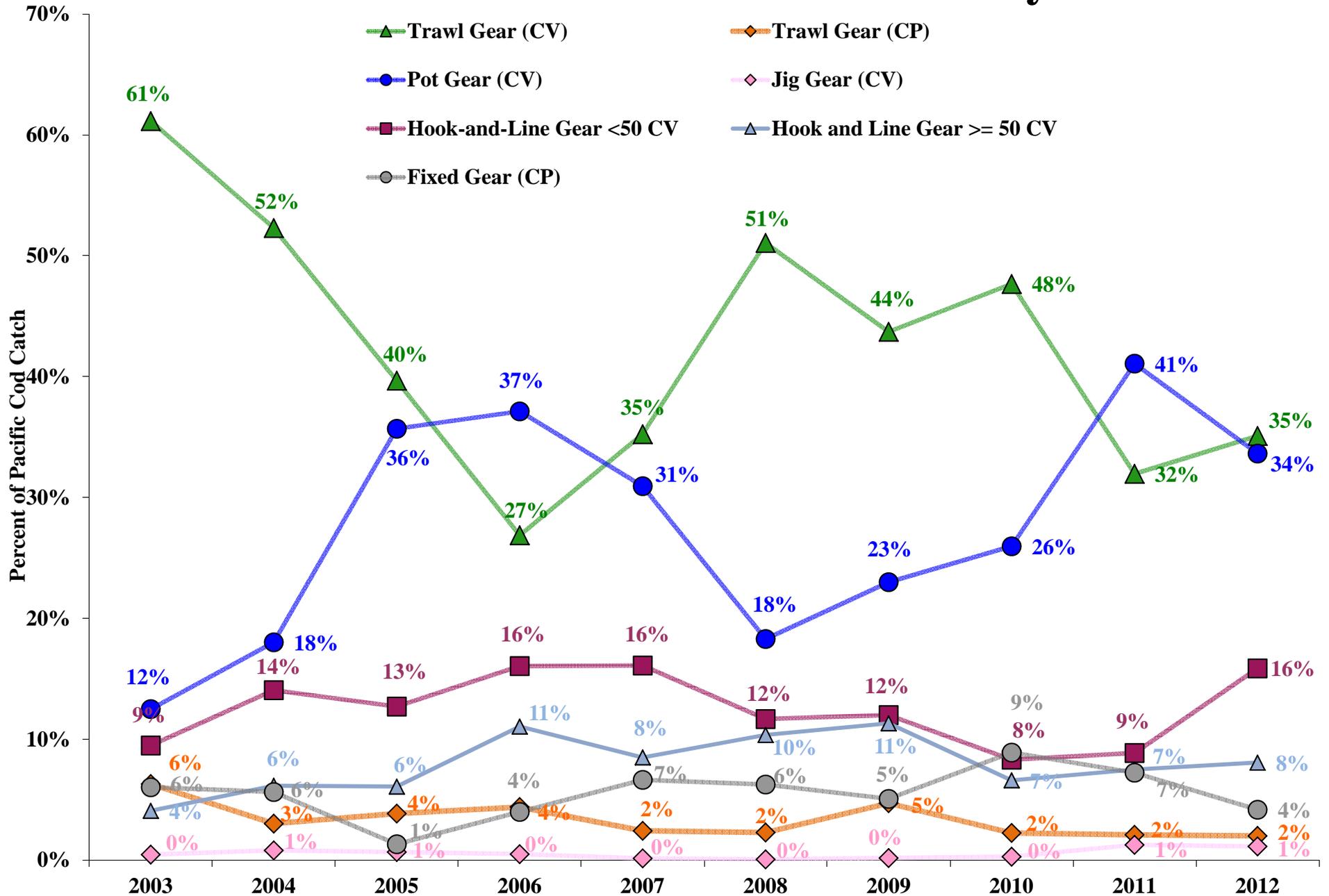


2003 - 2012 Counts of Vessels Targeting CGOA Pacific Cod

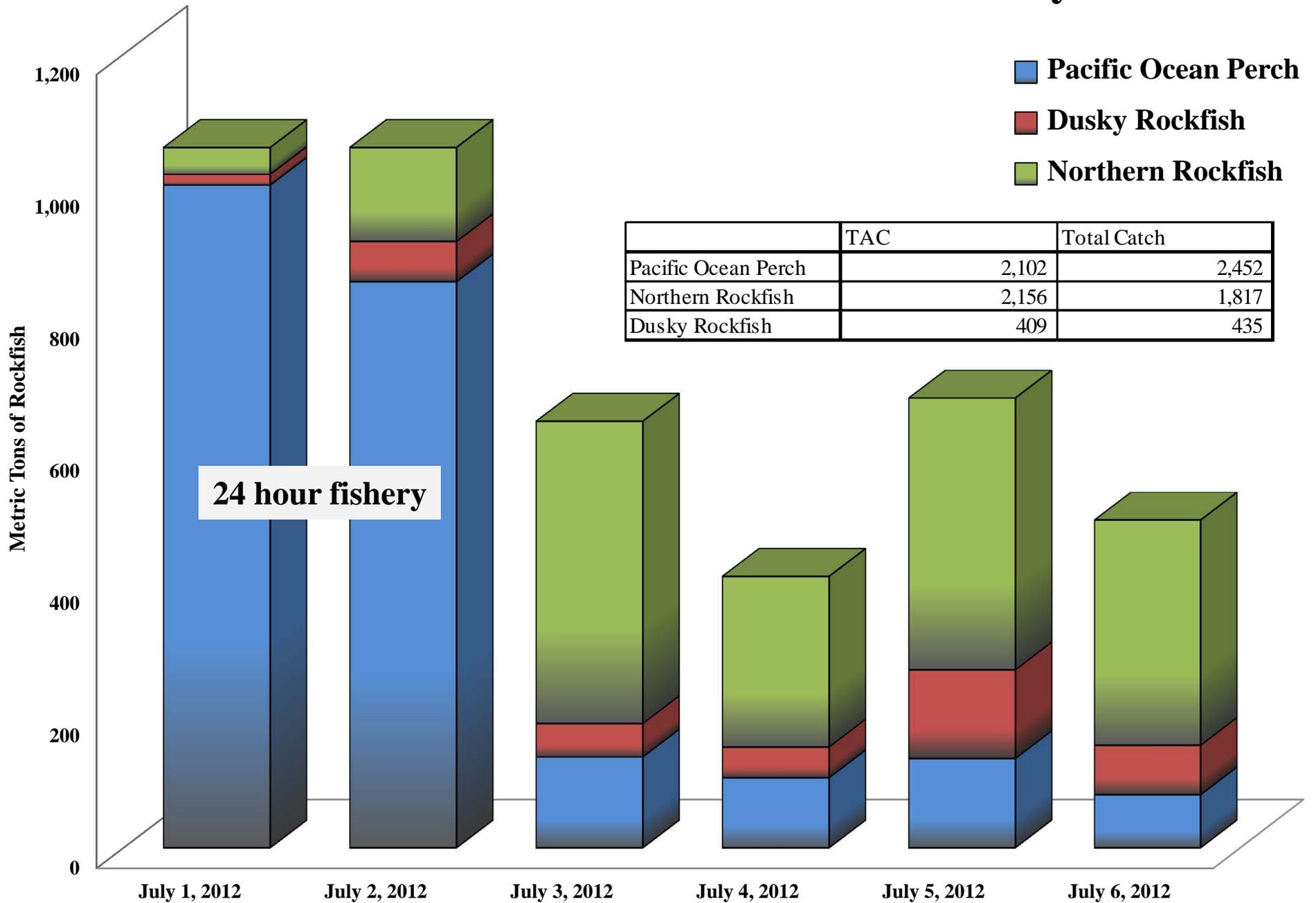


| | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| ■ HAL <50 | 70 | 75 | 72 | 59 | 61 | 65 | 56 | 53 | 51 | 60 |
| □ HAL >=50 | 36 | 40 | 29 | 22 | 20 | 30 | 28 | 23 | 19 | 18 |
| ◆ JIG | 12 | 40 | 34 | 30 | 15 | 10 | 13 | 25 | 56 | 48 |
| ○ POT | 35 | 39 | 47 | 56 | 61 | 58 | 56 | 48 | 53 | 60 |
| ▲ TRW | 50 | 48 | 38 | 33 | 34 | 41 | 34 | 38 | 41 | 47 |

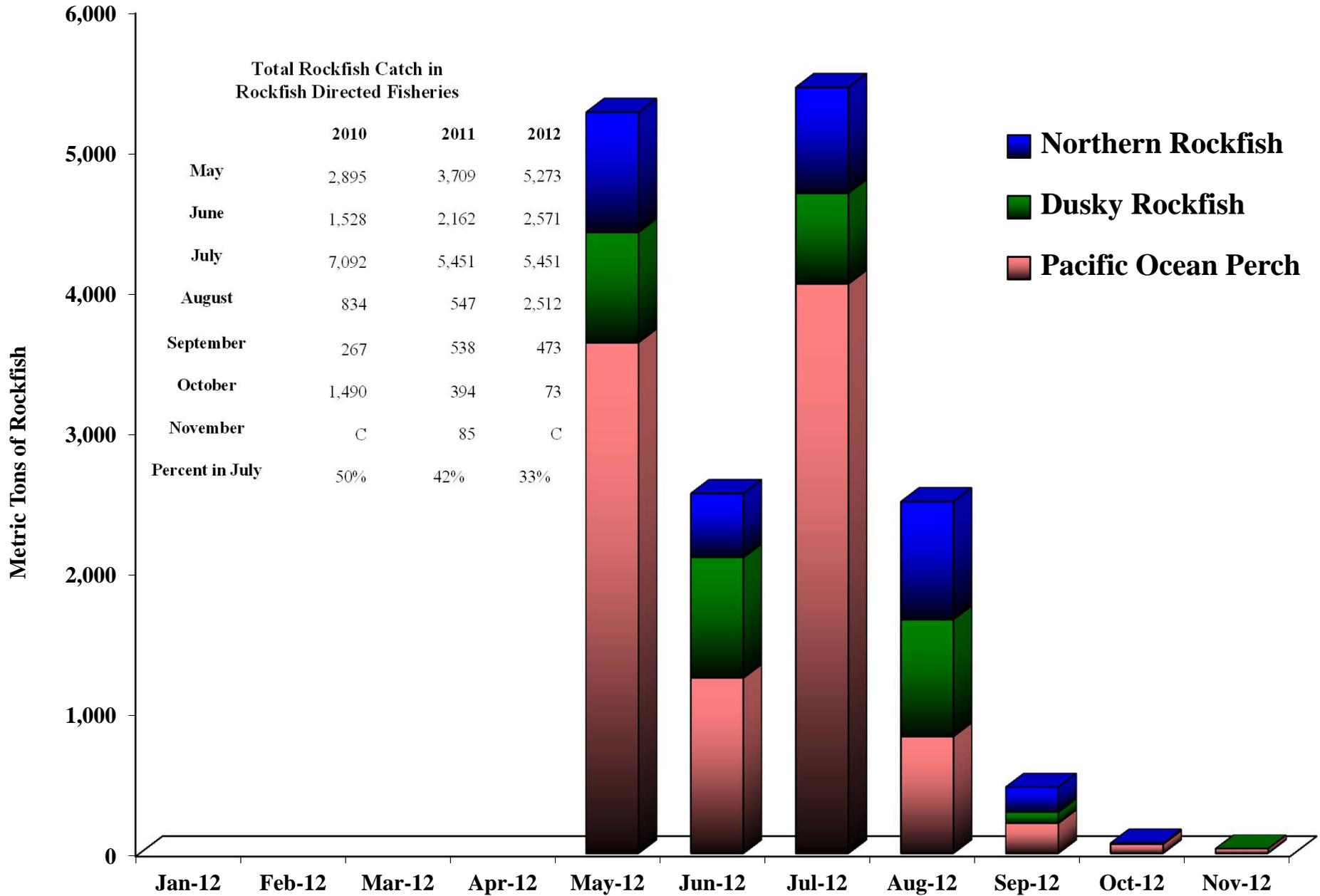
Annual Central Gulf Pacific Cod Catch by Sector



Western GOA Trawl Rockfish Fishery



Central GOA Targeted Rockfish Catch by Month



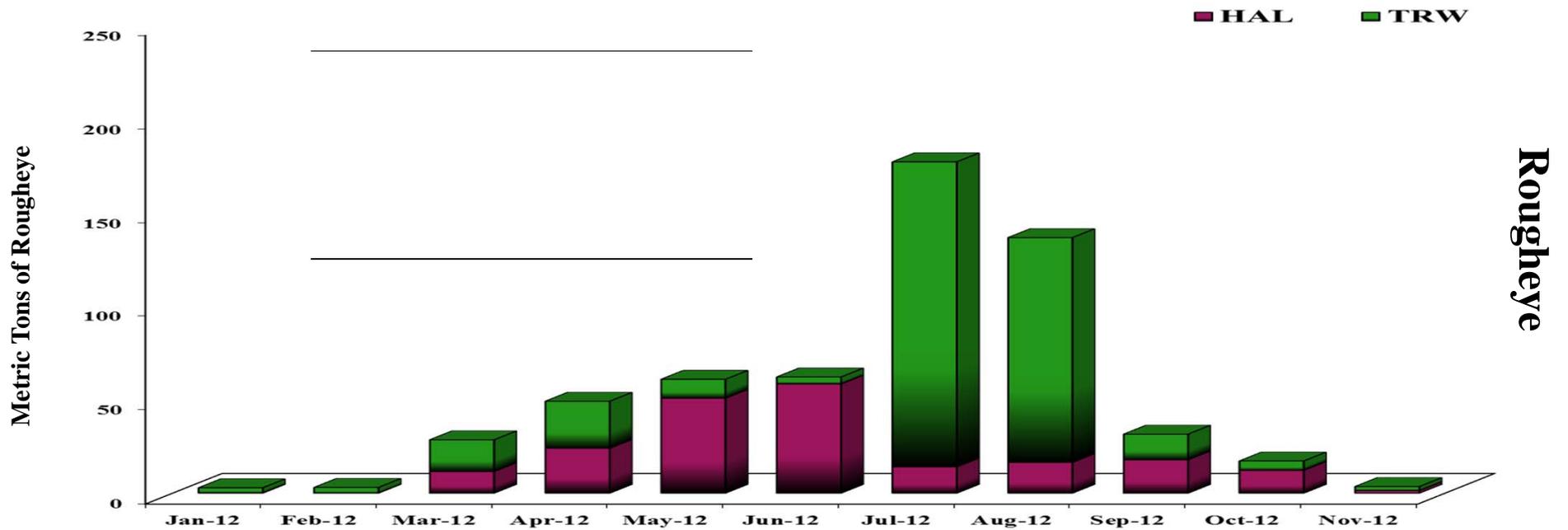
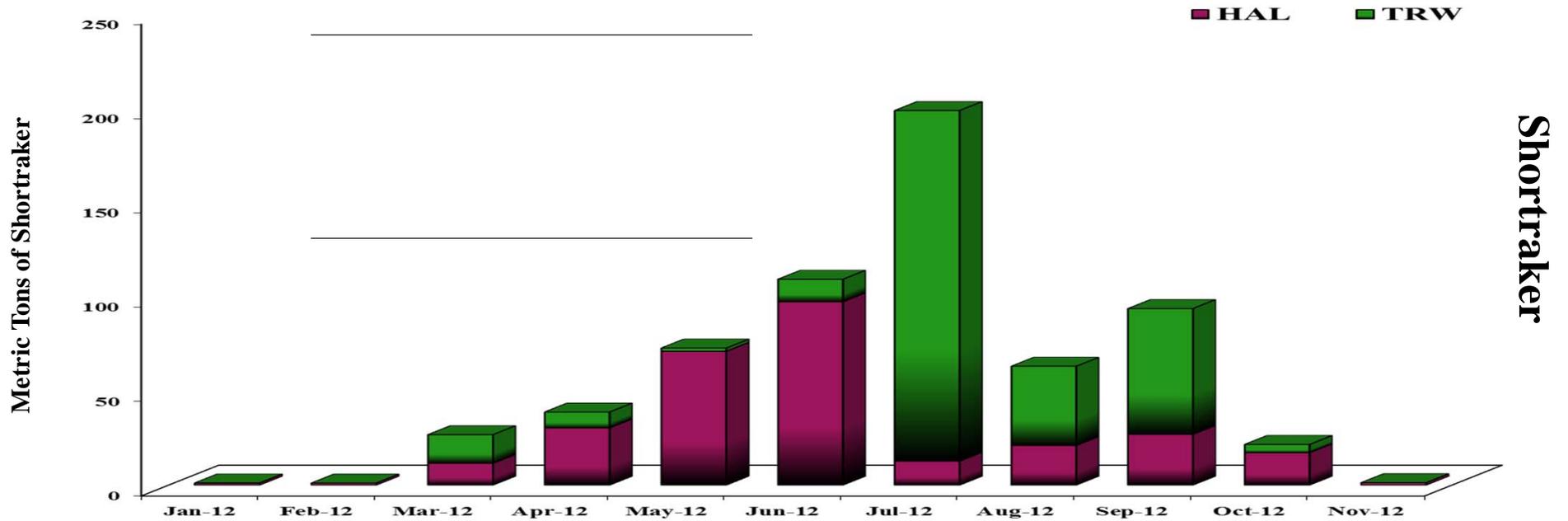
2012 Rockfish Program Allocations and Catch

Preliminary catch as of December 1, 2012

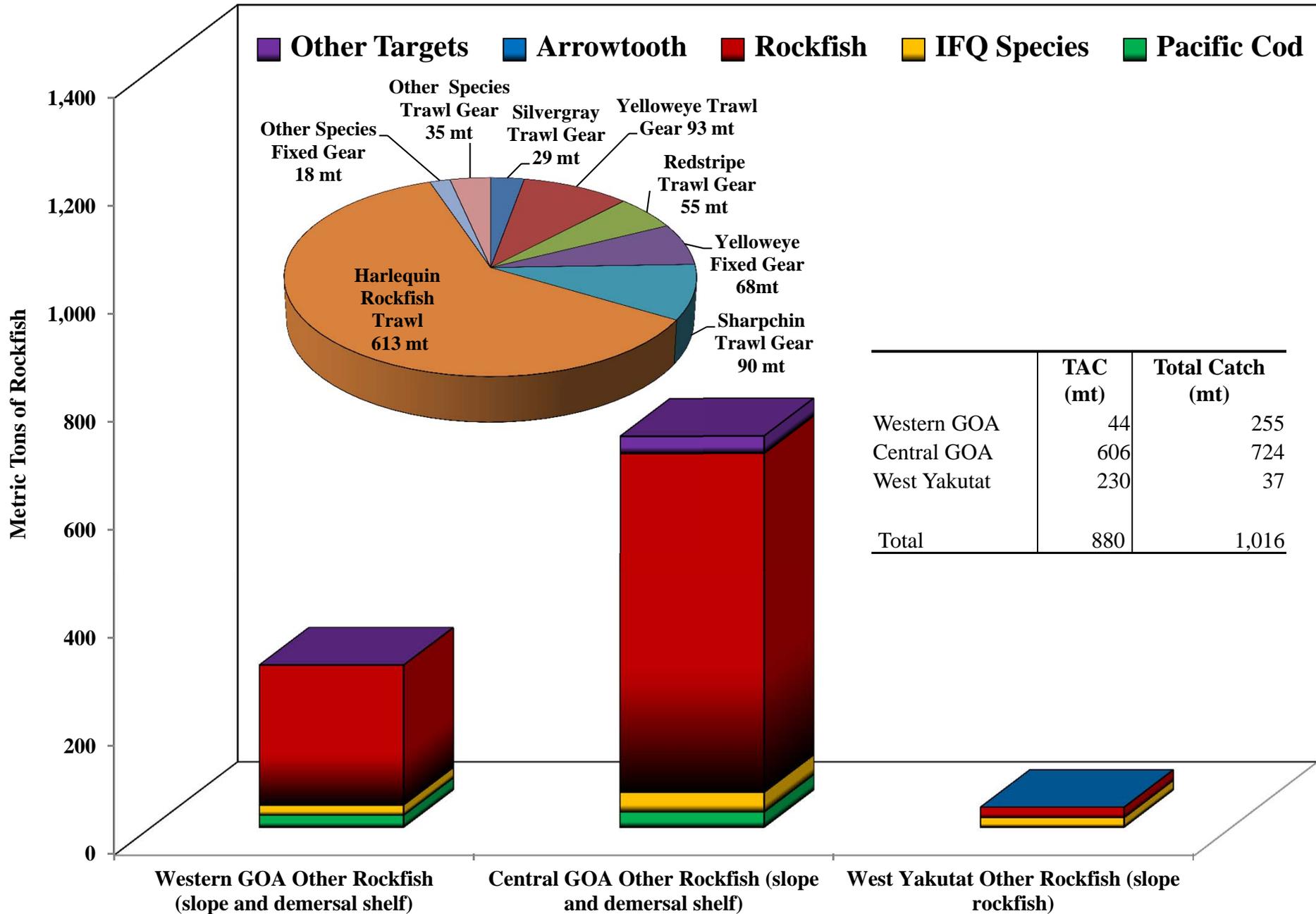
| | Limit | Catch | Percent Caught | Remaining |
|--|--------|--------------|----------------|-----------|
| Entry Level | | | | |
| Pacific Ocean Perch | 5 | 0 | 0% | 5 |
| Northern Rockfish | 5 | 0 | 0% | 5 |
| Pelagic Shelf Rockfish | 30 | 3 | 10% | 27 |
| Cooperatives | | | | |
| Pacific Ocean Perch | 10,358 | 10,283 | 99% | 75 |
| Northern Rockfish | 3,221 | 3,100 | 96% | 121 |
| Dusky Rockfish | 3,694 | 3,670 | 99% | 24 |
| Pacific Cod | 1,627 | 796 | 49% | 831 |
| Sablefish | 593 | 567 | 96% | 26 |
| Thornyhead Rockfish | 263 | 84 | 32% | 179 |
| Shorthead Rockfish | 181 | Confidentail | N/A | N/A |
| Rougheye Rockfish | 500 | Confidentail | N/A | N/A |
| Pacific Halibut | 191 | 88 | 46% | 103 |
| Primary Species Totals Including Central GOA Incidental Catch | | | | |
| Pacific Ocean Perch | 11,263 | 10,777 | 96% | 486 |
| Northern Rockfish | 3,351 | 3,222 | 96% | 129 |
| Dusky Rockfish | 3,849 | 3,564 | 93% | 285 |

In 2006, 5 catcher processors and 25 trawl catcher vessels targeted rockfish in the Central GOA.
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2012 GOA Shortraker and Rougheye Rockfish Catch

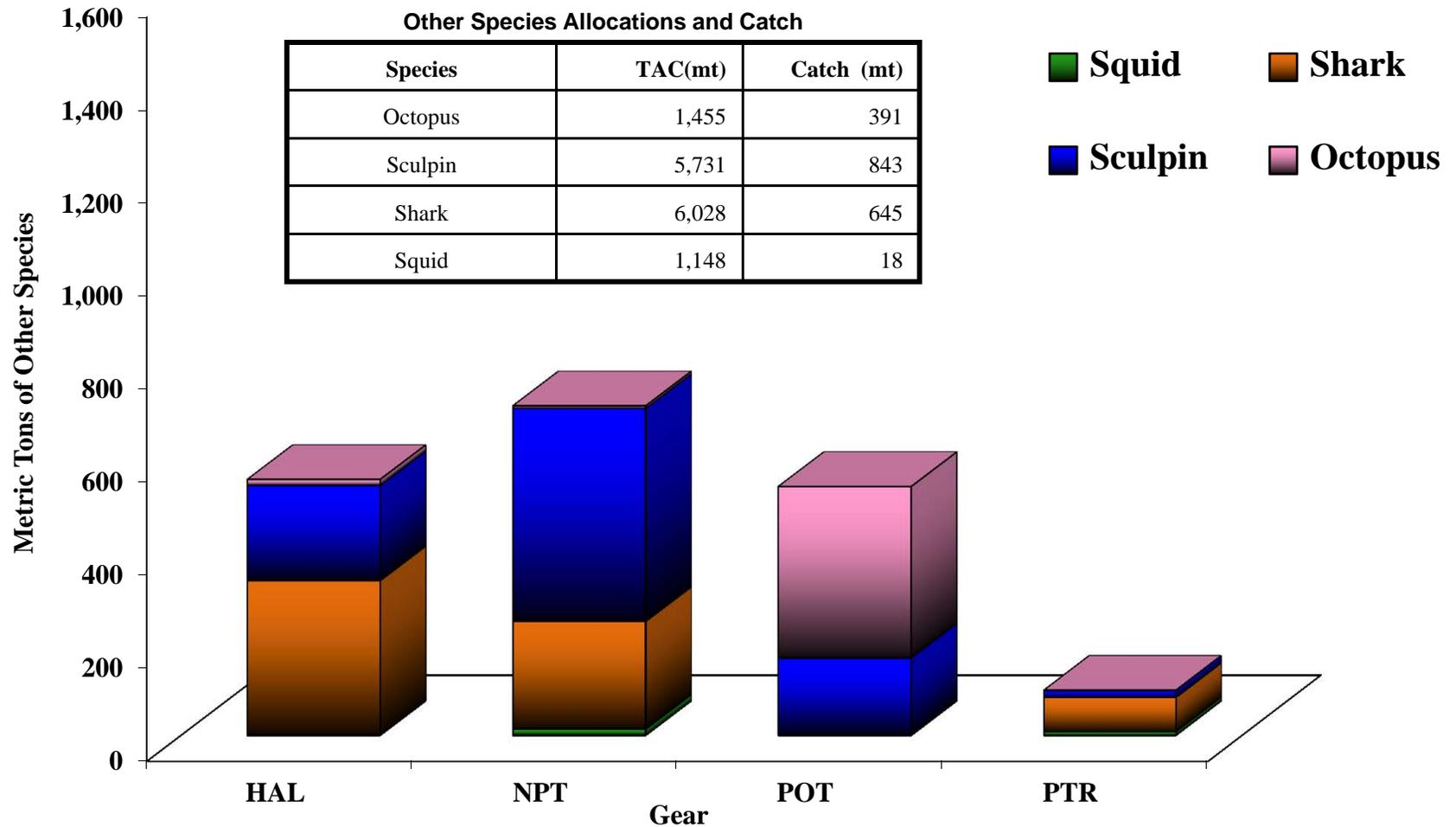


2012 GOA Other Rockfish Catch

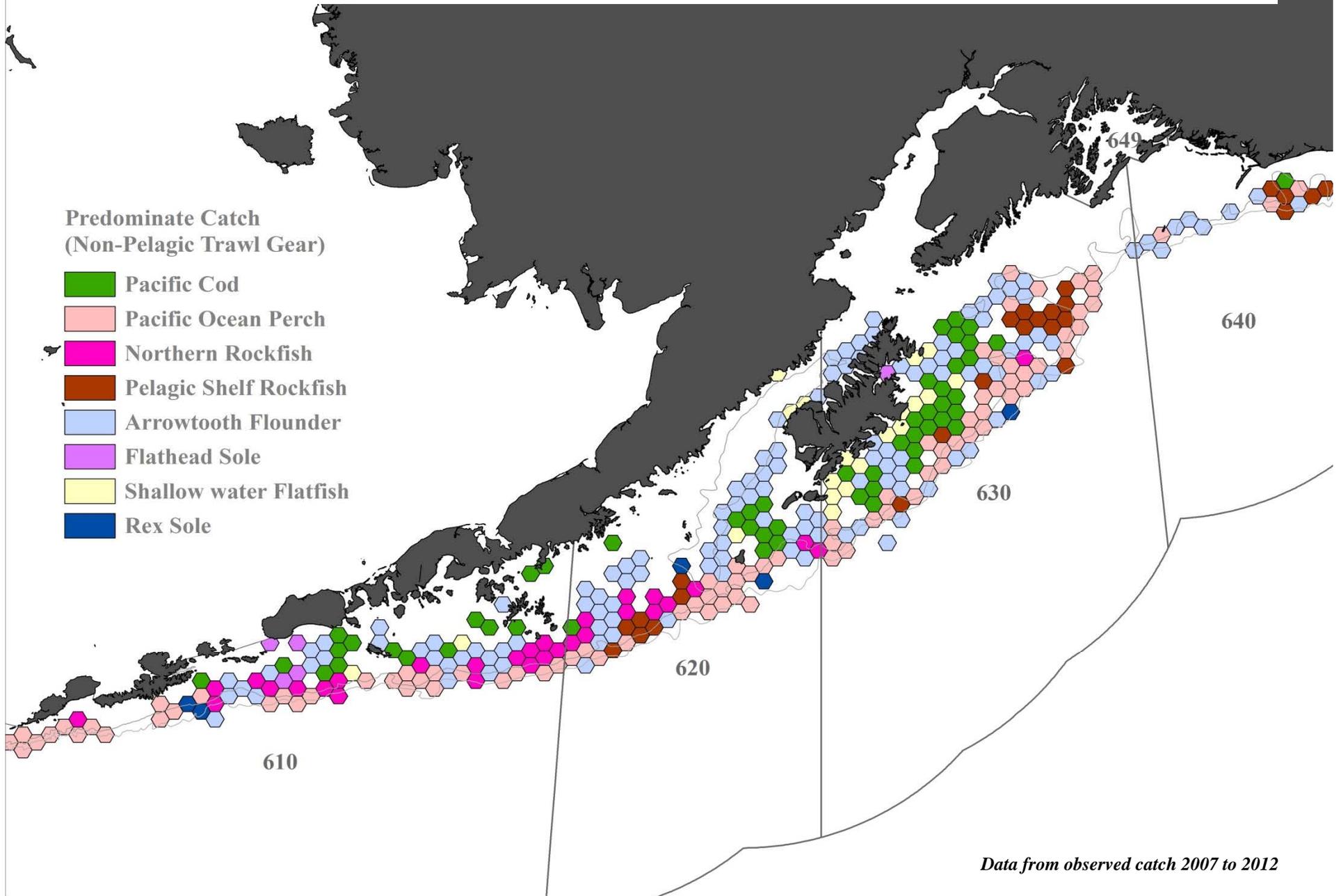


2012 GOA Other Species by Gear

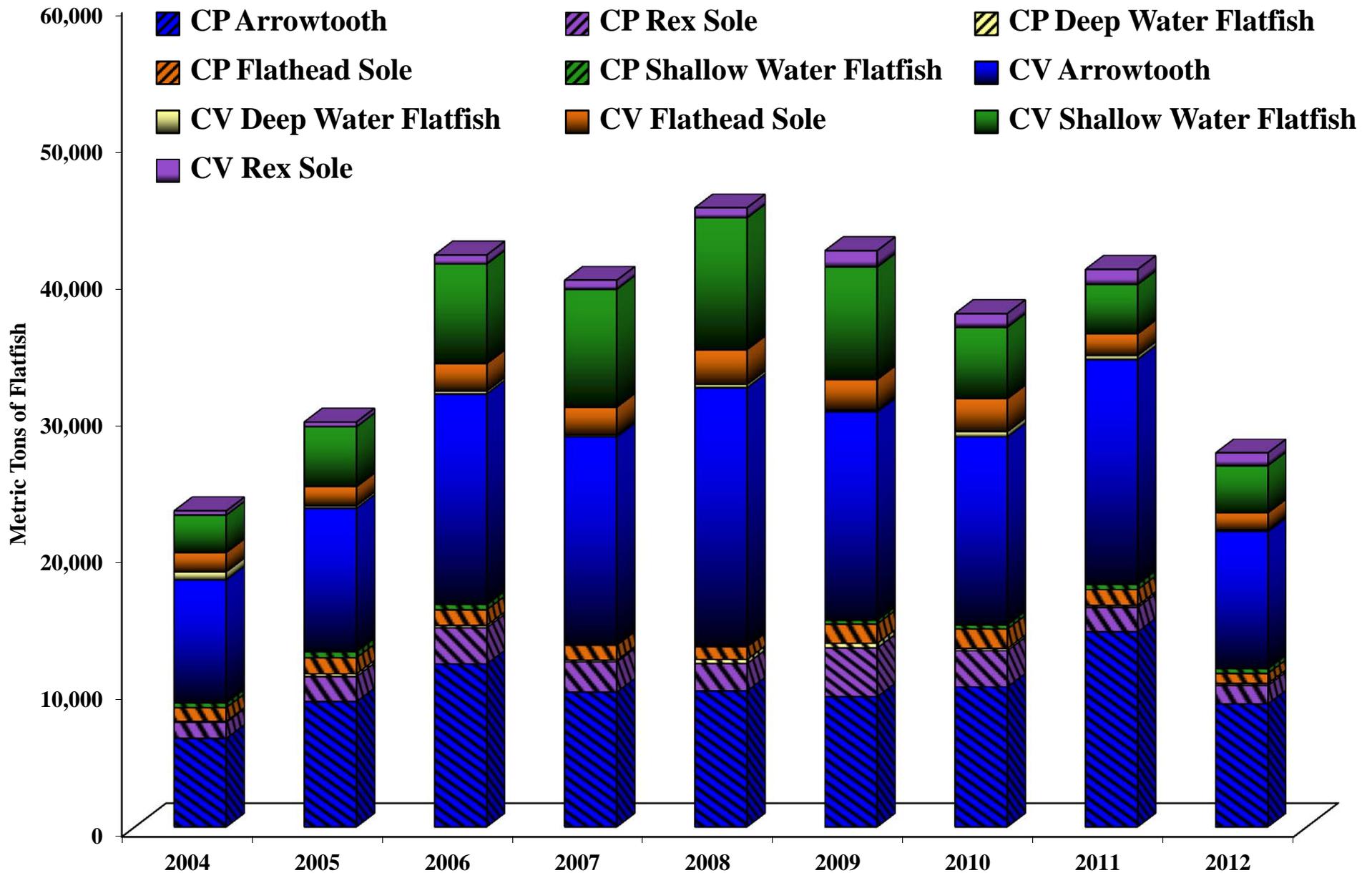
| Gear | Octopus | Sculpin | Sharks | | | | Squid |
|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| | | | Salmon Shark | Sleeper Shark | Spiny Dogfish | Other Sharks | |
| HAL | 13 | 205 | 0 | 7 | 321 | 4 | 0 |
| NPT | 6 | 458 | < 1 | 131 | 96 | 3 | 14 |
| POT | 368 | 166 | 0 | 0 | < 1 | 0 | 0 |
| PTR | < 1 | 15 | 54 | 4 | 13 | 2 | 8 |
| TOTAL | 387 | 844 | 54 | 142 | 430 | 9 | 22 |



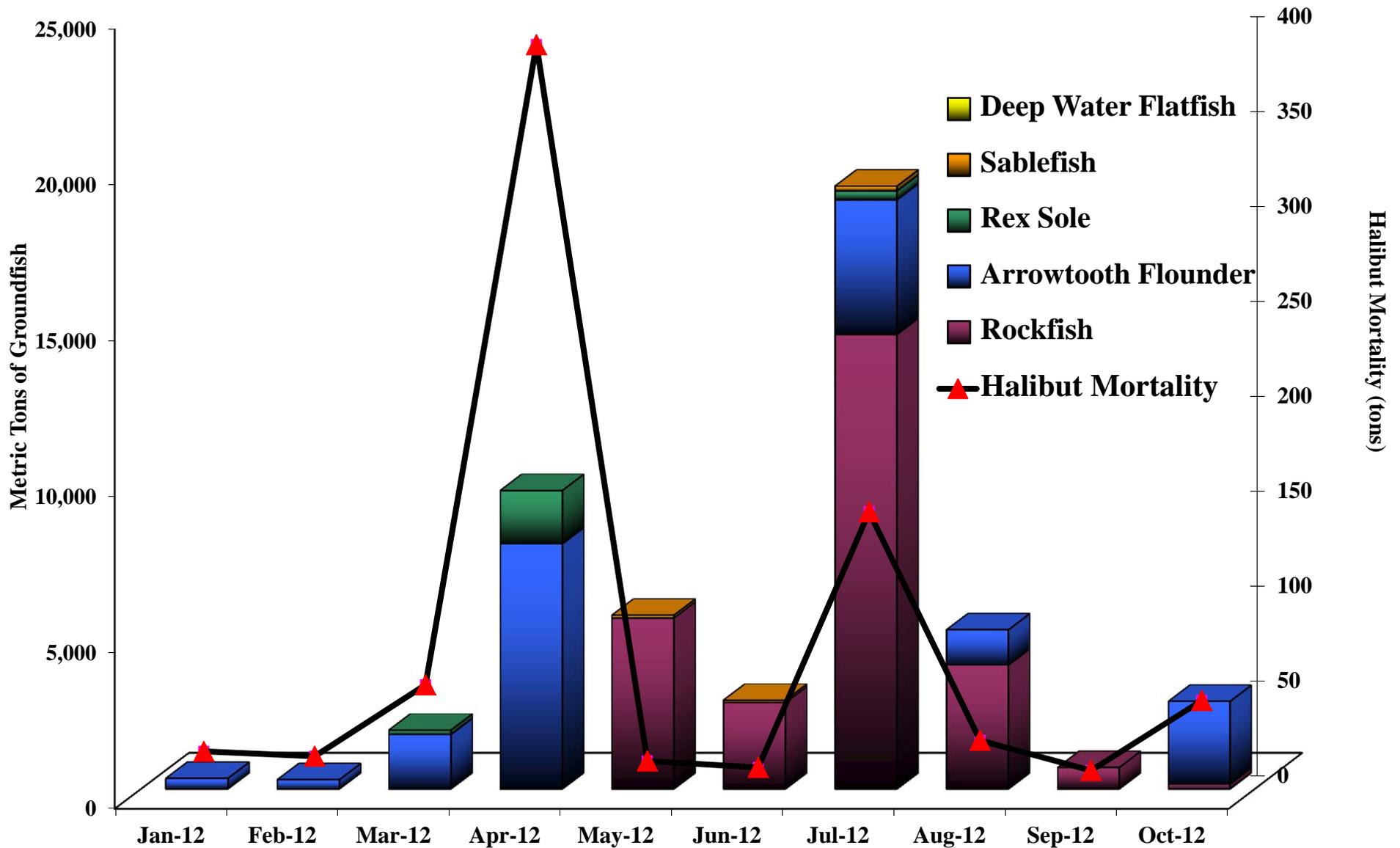
2007 -2012 Observed Non Pelagic Trawl Gear Catch



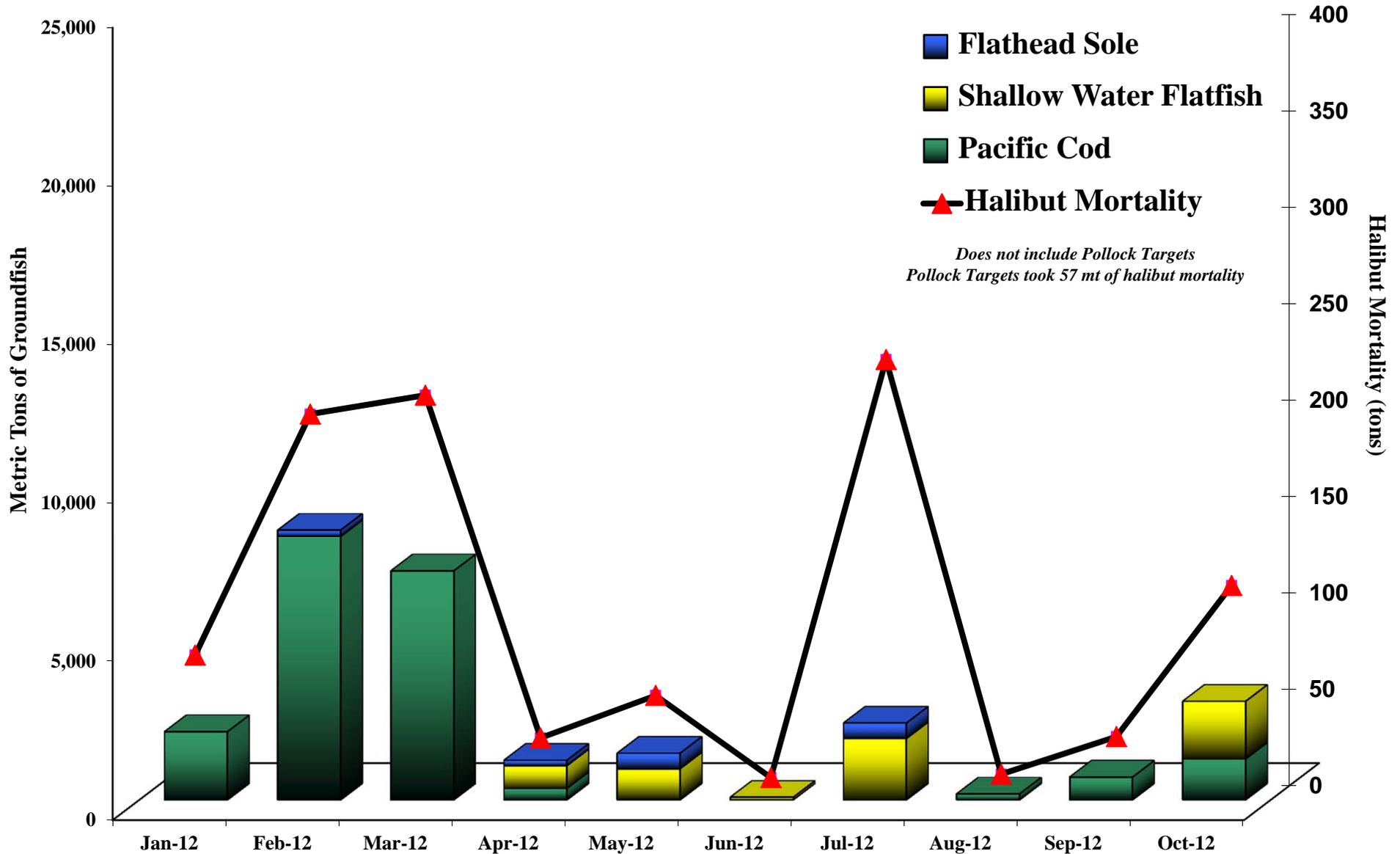
2004-2012 GOA Trawl Flatfish Catch by Species



2012 Deep Water Complex Catch by Target and Halibut Mortality



2012 Shallow Water Complex Catch by Target and Halibut Mortality



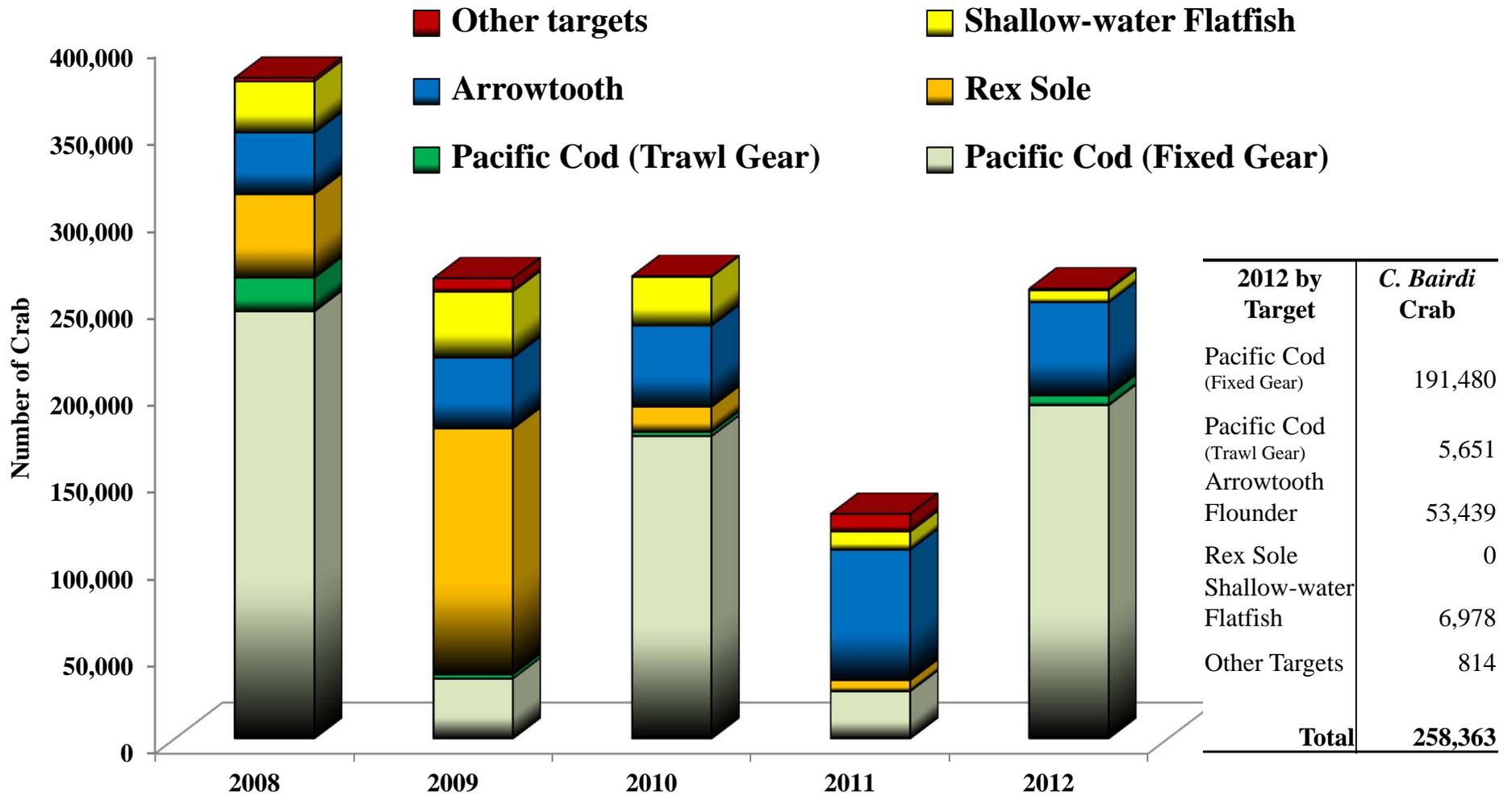
2012 Flatfish and Skate Catch in the GOA

| | TAC (mt) | Total Catch (mt) | Percentage caught of TAC |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Arrowtooth Flounder | | | |
| Central | 75,000 | 18,516 | 25% |
| Western | 14,500 | 1,257 | 9% |
| Flathead Sole | | | |
| Central | 15,400 | 1,740 | 11% |
| Western | 8,650 | 277 | 3% |
| Rex Sole | | | |
| Central | 6,412 | 2,083 | 32% |
| Western | 1,307 | 215 | 16% |
| Shallow Water Flatfish | | | |
| Central | 18,000 | 3,718 | 21% |
| Western | 13,250 | 153 | 1% |
| Deep Water Flatfish | | | |
| Central | 2,308 | 264 | 11% |
| Western | 176 | 5 | 3% |
| Big Skate | | | |
| Central | 1,793 | 1,732 | 97% |
| Western | 469 | 64 | 14% |
| Longnose Skate | | | |
| Central | 1,879 | 725 | 39% |
| Western | 70 | 31 | 45% |

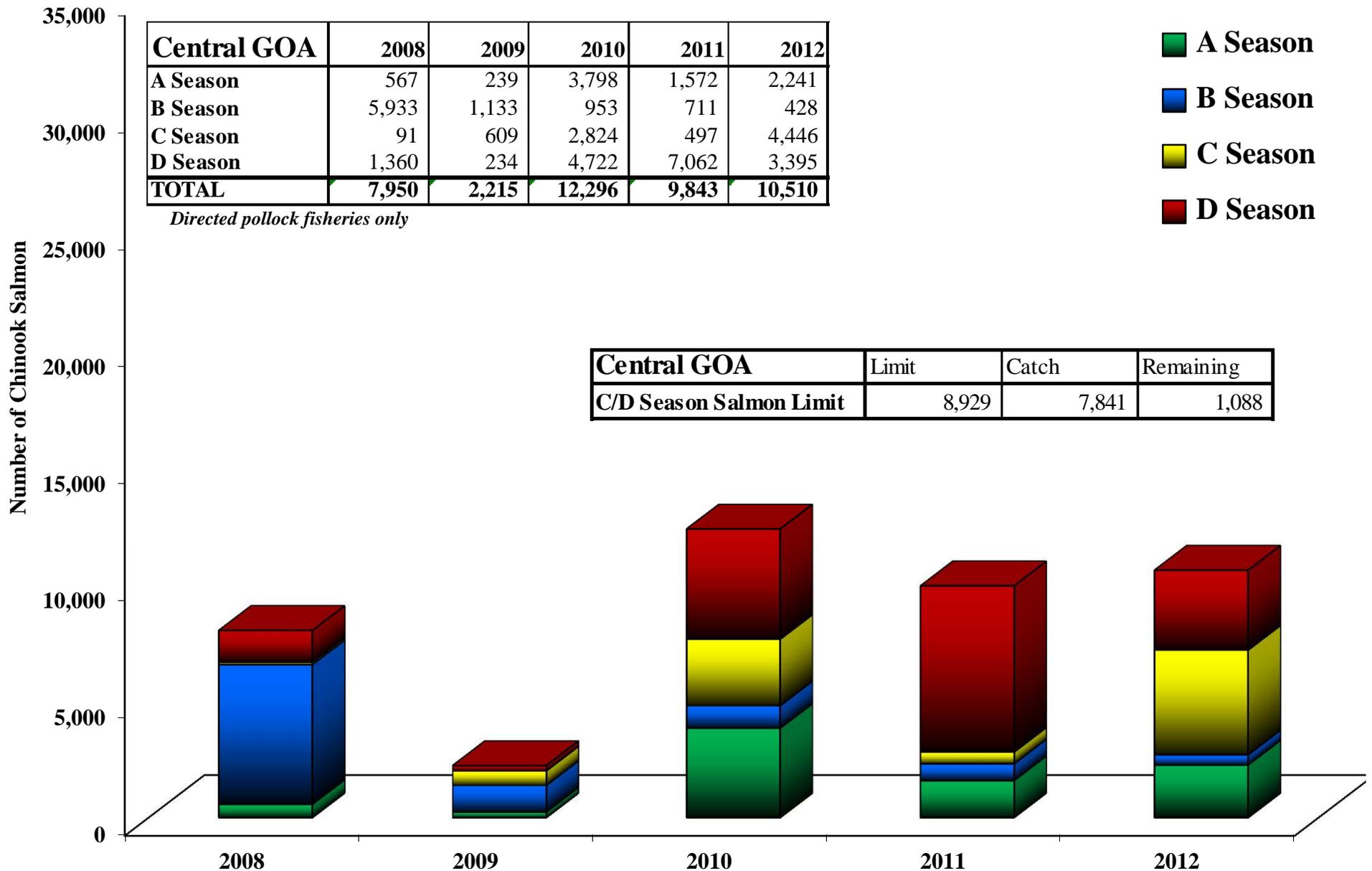
2012 Trawl Halibut Mortality

| Shallow Water Complex | Season | Start Date | End Date | Limit (mt) | Total Mortality (mt) |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------------|----------|------------|----------------------|
| | 1 | Jan 20 | Apr 1 | 450 | 493 |
| | 2 | Apr 1 | Jul 1 | 100 | 76 |
| | 3 | Jul 1 | Sep 1 | 200 | 222 |
| | 4 | Sep 1 | Sep 30 | 150 | 1 |
| TOTAL | | | | 900 | 792 |
| Deep Water Complex | Season | | | | |
| | 1 | Jan 20 | Apr 1 | 100 | 71 |
| | 2 | Apr 1 | Jul 1 | 300 | 385 |
| | 3 | Jul 1 | Sep 1 | 182 | 133 |
| | 4 | Sep 1 | Sep 30 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | | | | 582 | 590 |
| Rockfish Pilot Program | | | | 198 | 87 |
| Fall Halibut Allocation | | Oct 1 | Nov 1 | 300 | 226 |
| Total Halibut Mortality | | | | 2,000 | 1,695 |

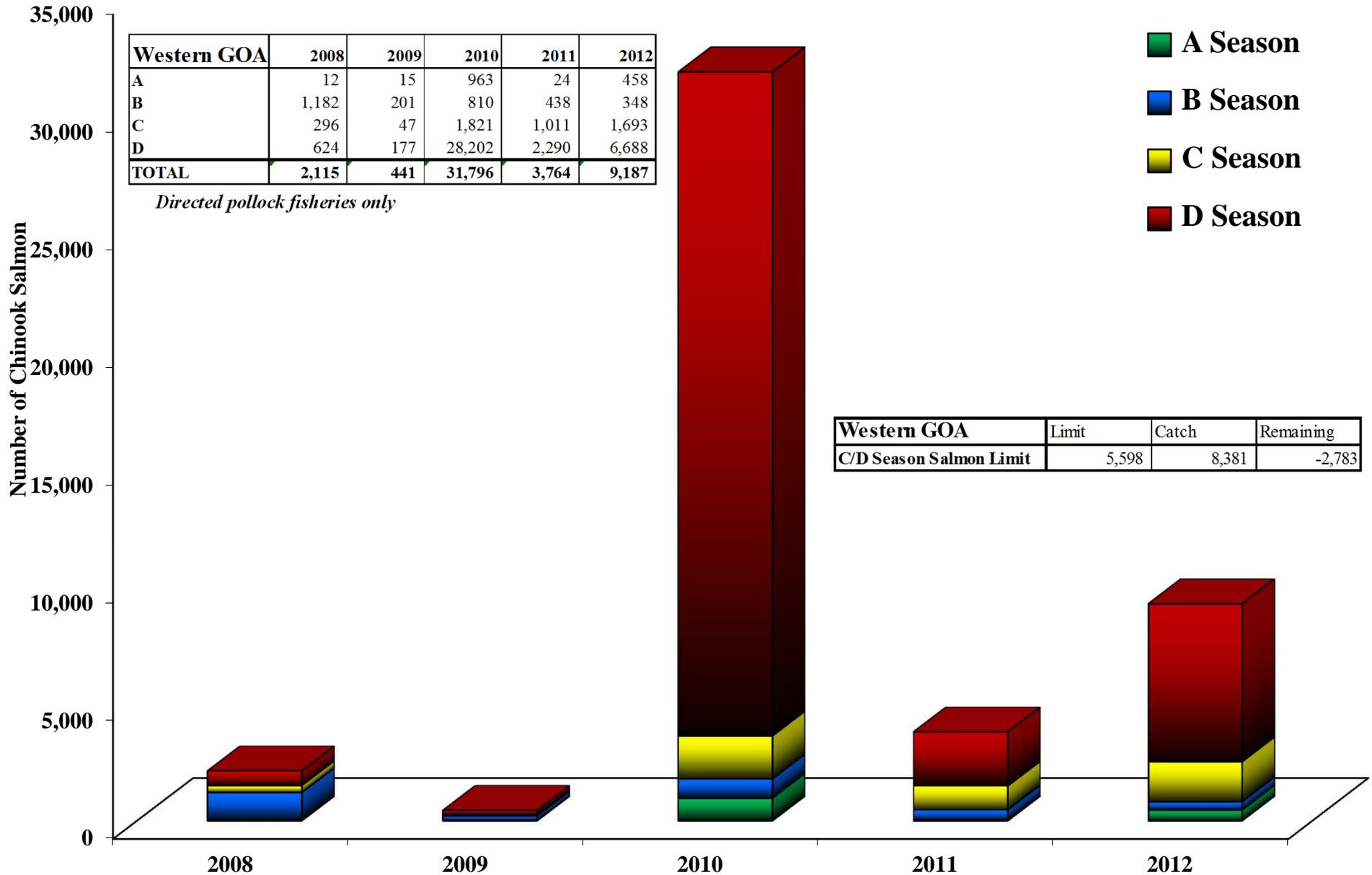
2008-2012 GOA *C. Bairdi* Tanner Crab Incidental Catch by Target



Chinook Salmon PSC in Central GOA Pollock Fisheries



Chinook Salmon PSC in Western GOA Pollock Fisheries



Chinook Salmon PSC in GOA Non-Pollock Fisheries

