

Coastal Dungeness Crab Advisory Board Meeting

March 14, 2024

3:30 pm



Proposed Agenda

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
3:30 – 3:35 PM	Introductions and Purpose of the Meeting	Heather Hall
3:35 – 3:50 PM	23/24 Season Update	Matt George
3:50 – 4:20 PM	Questions/Discussion/Next Steps	All
4:20 – 4:30 PM	Adjourn	Heather Hall

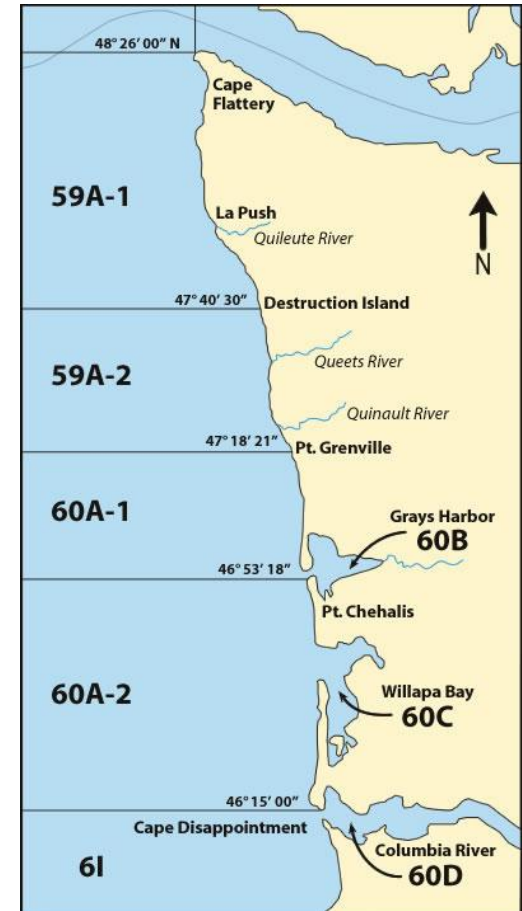


23-24 State Catch Update - All Areas

Catch (lbs) by state fleet within first 42 days of season

Area	22-23 (last season)	23-24 (current)	Percent Change
59A1	261,489	87,095	-66.7%
59A2	231,020	230,784	-0.10%
60A1	2,877,013	1,685,551	-41.4%
60A2*	9,888,893	9,304,936	-5.91%
60B	108,257	109,735	+1.37%
60C	1,459,359	873,238	-40.2%
61	1,995,454	2,376,756	+19.1%
Total	16,821,485	14,668,095	-12.8%

*Includes catch from area 60D



**Commercial Crab Fishing
WDFW Catch Reporting Areas**

Note: The 22-23 season experienced a split opener; catch reporting area totals represent the total landings from vessels that started south of the Klipsan Beach line (46°28.00) from 2/1/23 – 3/13/23 and those that started north from 2/6/23 – 3/19/23. 23-24 season data is from 2/1/24 – 3/13/24.



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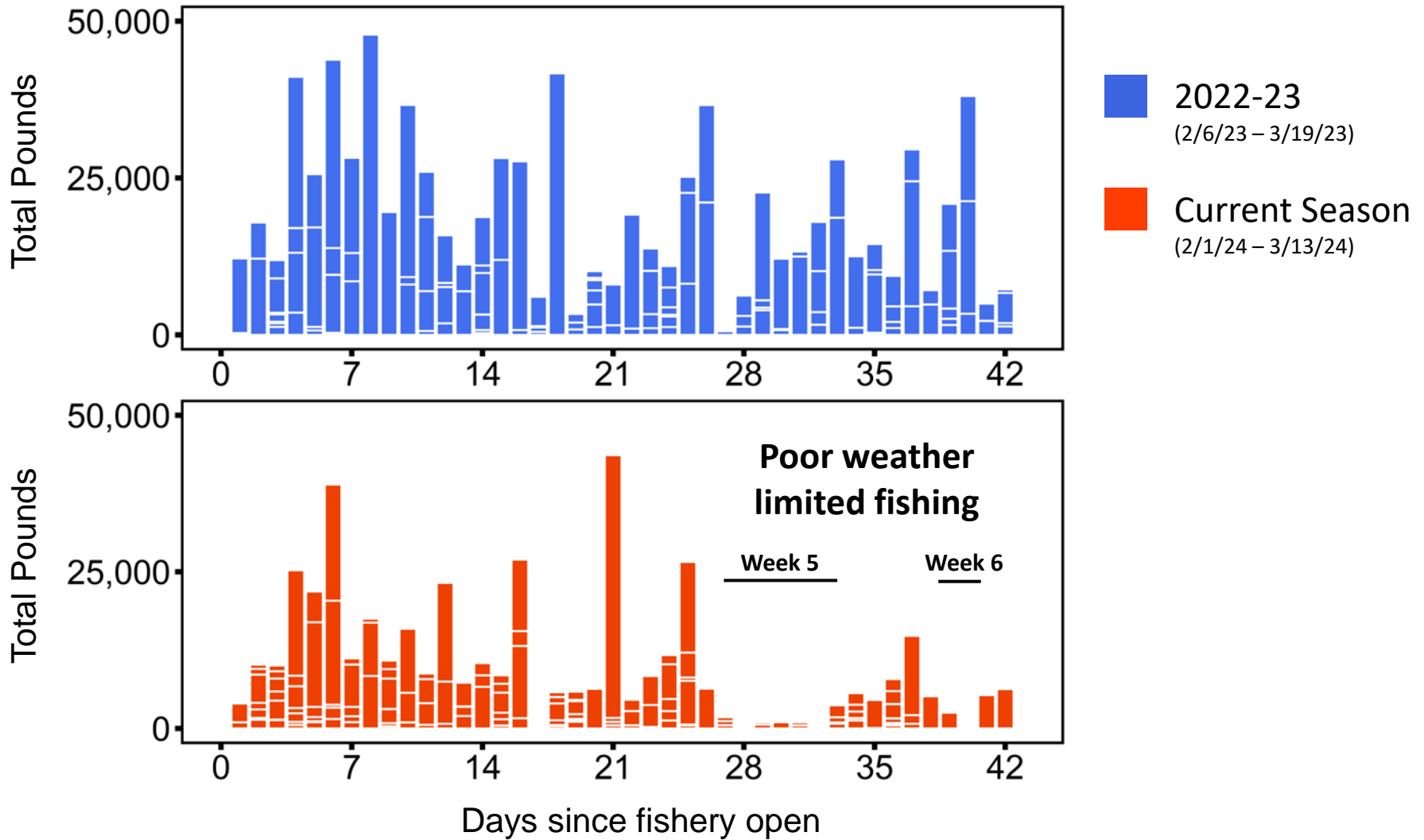
Landings as of 3/13/2024 in tribal sharing areas

Season	Time Period	Area	Area Pounds	Area Landings	Total Pounds	Total Landings
2022-23 (2/6/23 – 3/19/23)	First 42 days	59A2	231,020	10	3,216,290	570
		60A1	2,877,013	388		
		60B	108,257	81		
2023-24 (2/1/24 – 3/13/24)		59A2	230,784	55	2,026,070	636
		60A1	1,685,551	459		
		60B	109,735	122		

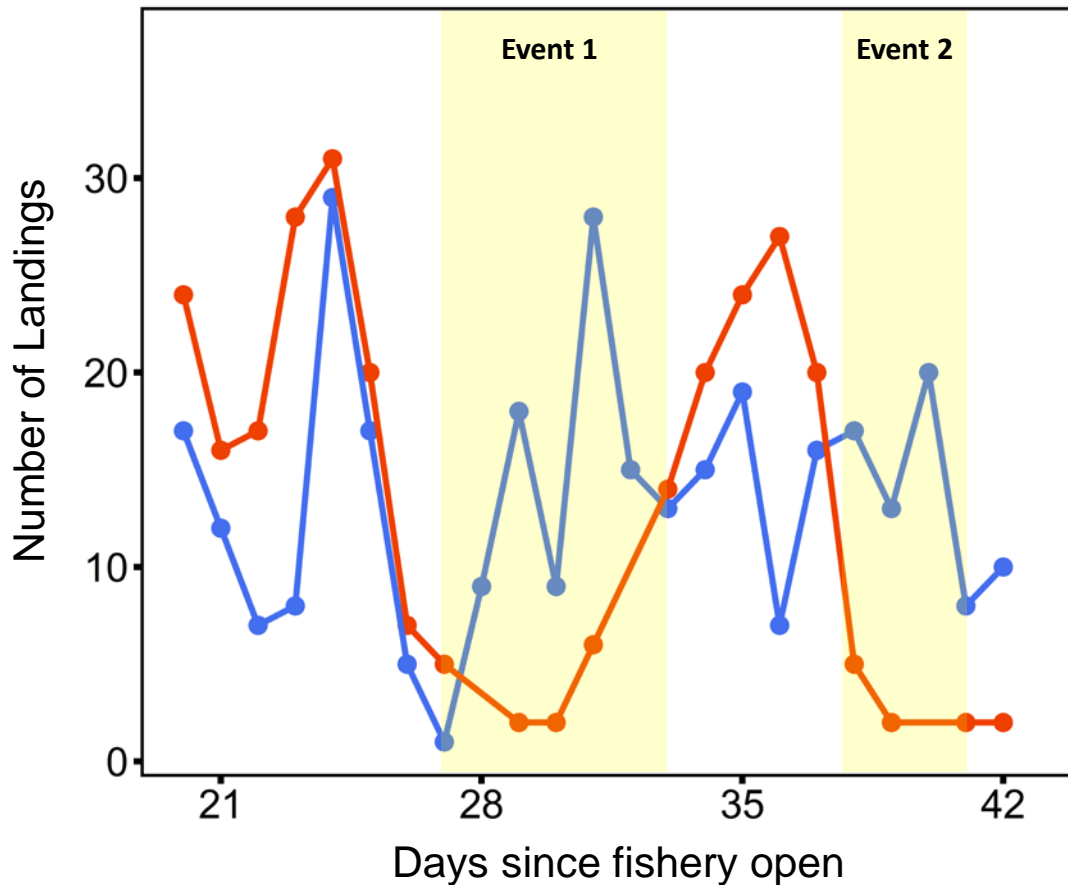
Total poundage is 37.0% less than last year;
landings have increased 11%



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■ 2022-23
(2/6/23 – 3/19/23)

■ Current Season
(2/1/24 – 3/13/24)

Event 1

22-23: 529,708 lbs, 98 landings

23-24: 55,973 lbs, 36 landings

Event 2

22-23: 328,785 lbs, 68 landings

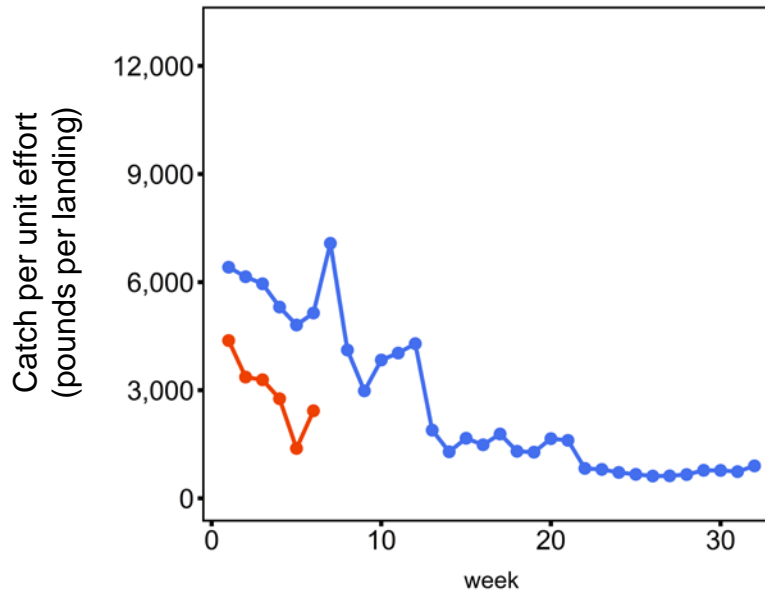
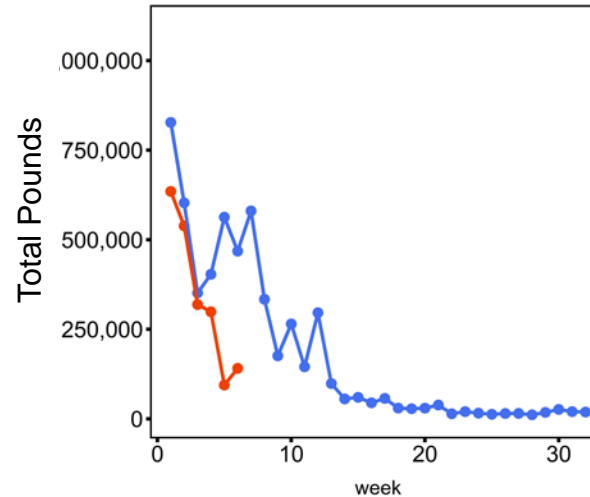
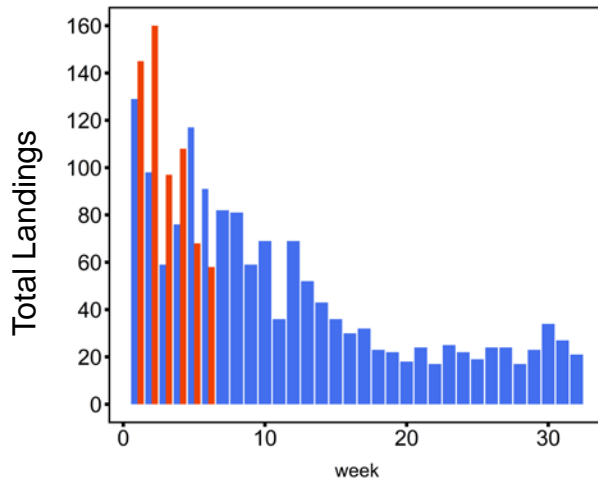
23-24: 33,794 lbs, 11 landings

Estimated impact:

294,000 – 647,400 lbs



23-24 State Catch Update



- 2022-23
(open North: 2/6/23)
- Current Season
(open: 2/1/23)

Data as of 3/13/2024



23-24 Quinault Catch Update

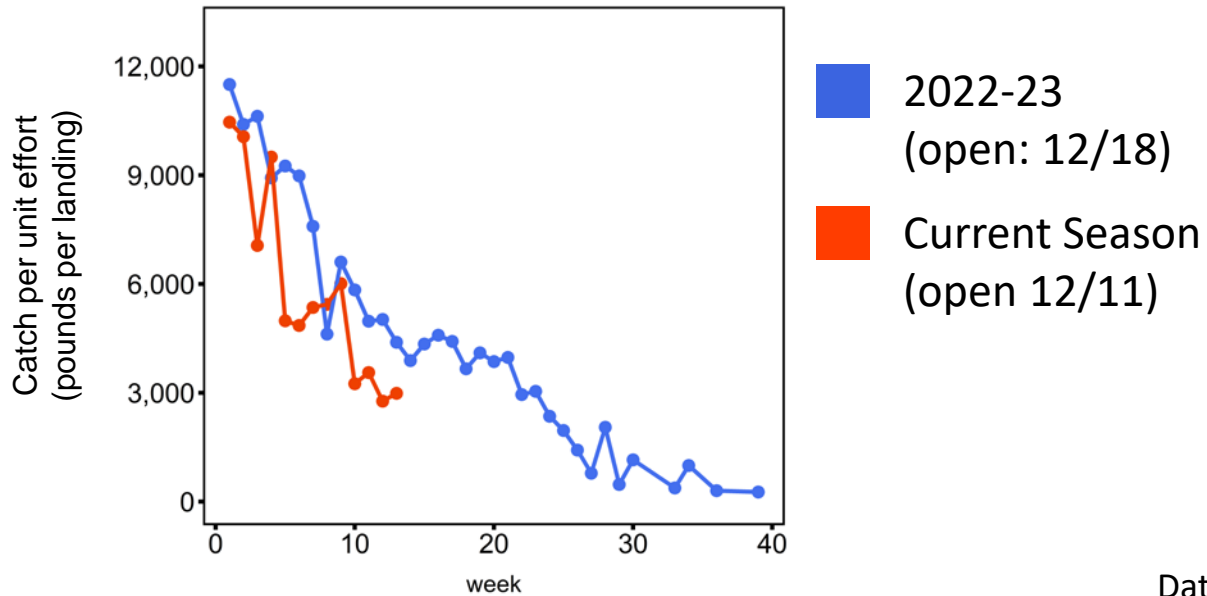
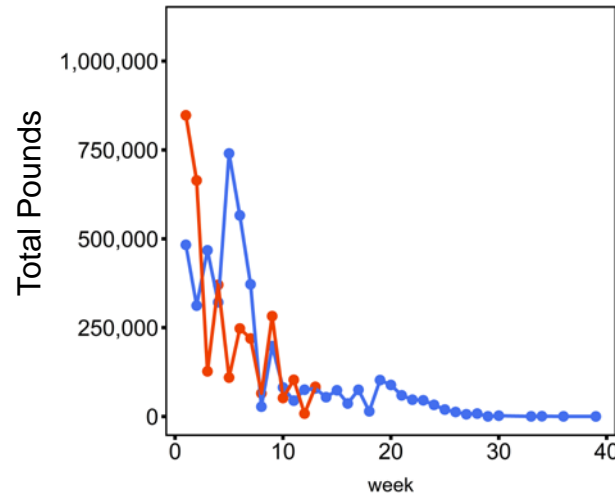
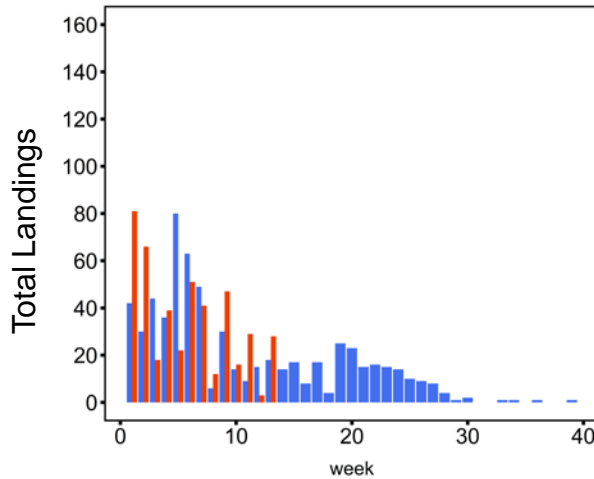
Landings as of 3/13/2024 in tribal sharing areas

Season	Time Period	Area	Area Pounds	Area Landings	Total Pounds	Total Landings
2022-23 (12/18/22 – 3/16/23)	First 94 days	59A2	460,875	22	3,731,535	426
		60A1	3,241,126	381		
		60B	29,534	23		
2023-24 (12/11/23 – 3/13/24)		59A2	209,211	25	3,181,368	453
		60A1	2,947,020	405		
		60B	25,137	23		

Total poundage is 14.7% less than last year;
landings have increased by 6.3%



23-24 Quinault Catch Update

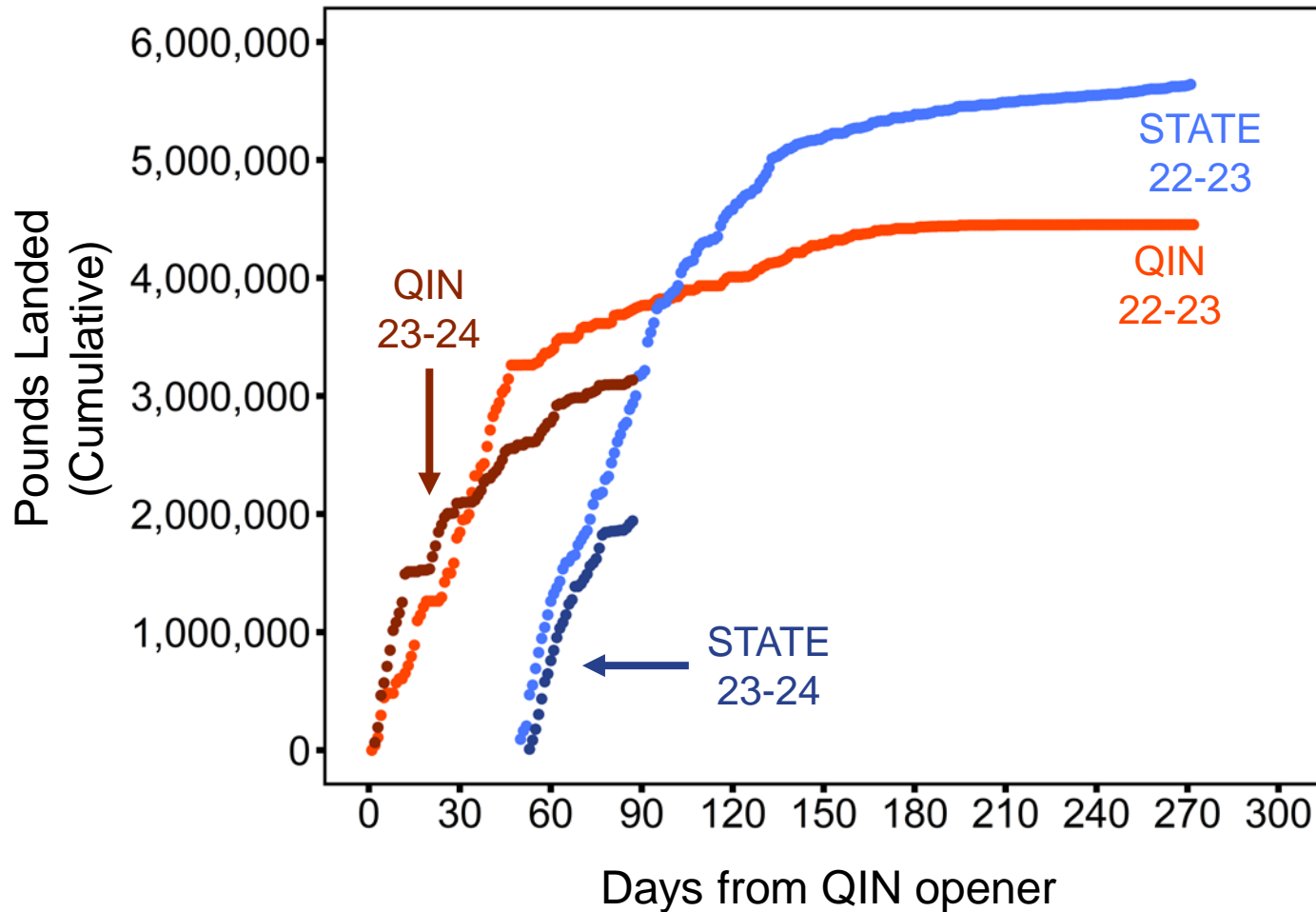


Data as of 3/13/2024



Cumulative Catch by Year

QIN & STATE landings as of 3/13/24



State-QIN Catch Comparison

QIN Landings within first 94 days of QIN fishery and first 42 days of State fishery within each year

Entity	Season	59A-2	60A-1	60B	Total	delta
QIN	22-23	460,875	3,241,126	29,534	3,731,535	-14.7%
	23-24	209,211	2,947,020	25,137	3,181,368	
STATE	22-23	231,020	2,877,013	108,257	3,216,290	-37.0%
	23-24	230,784	1,685,551	109,735	2,026,070	

Corresponding sharing percentages by catch area

Sharing	Season	59A-2	60A-1	60B	Total
QIN - STATE	22-23	66.6% - 33.4%	52.9% - 47.1%	21.4% - 78.6%	53.7% - 46.3%
	23-24	47.5% - 52.4%	63.5% - 36.5%	18.6% - 81.4%	61.1% - 38.9%



Next Steps

1. Weather over past two weeks has impacted catch making projections through day 42 uncertain.
2. Fish ticket corrections add to the uncertainty
3. Co-manager meeting with Quinault scheduled for 3/18.



Fish ticket area reporting

1. WDFW is using EM to verify that catch areas reported on fish tickets align with where vessels are fishing.
2. There is a continued high volume of ticket corrections.
3. Majority of fish ticket corrections are catch not being split between reporting areas correctly (or at all).
4. If you are not fishing in 60A1, don't report your catch in 60A1.



QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION