

# MRIP 2020 Estimates

Overview of Methodology and Select Catch and Effort Estimates

### Main Points

- 2020 Catch and Effort Estimates
  - In general, no unexpected or extreme results
  - 2020 typically in line with prior years or recent trends
  - Impacts of data gaps and imputation variable across states and fishing modes but limited at annual and regional levels
- Review of Data Gaps from COVID-19
- Data Imputation and Estimation Methods
- Catch and Effort Estimates
  - Recent Time Series, 2018-2020
  - 2020 With Imputed Records vs Without Imputed Records
  - Next Steps

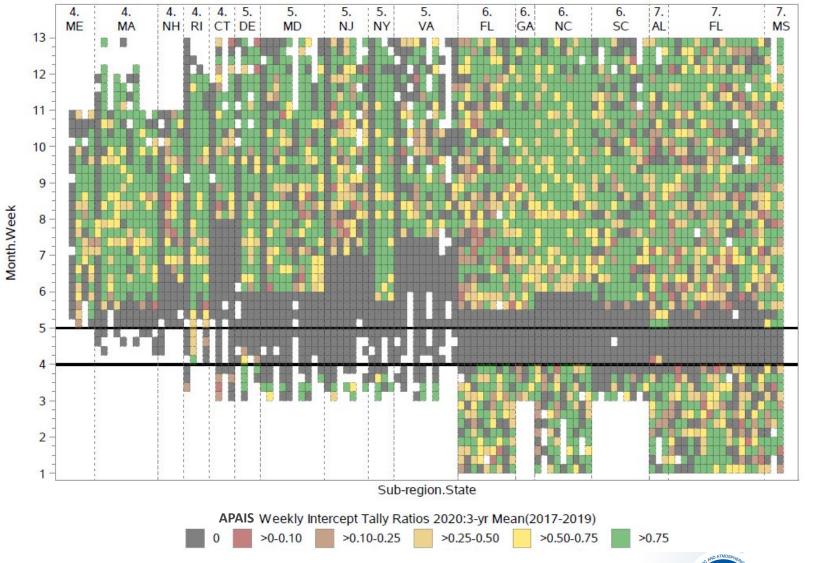


### 2020 MRIP Data Gaps

- Access Point Angler Intercept Survey (APAIS)
  - Source of catch rate and supplemental effort information
- Wave 2 (Mar/Apr)
  - Primarily April but some states suspended in late March
  - Most states resumed sampling at some point in May
- Connecticut, New Jersey, Virginia
  - These states did not resume sampling until July or August 1
- Headboat Mode
  - No state has resumed headboat sampling
  - APAIS sampling is at-sea or ride-along
  - Mid-Atlantic and New England Regions
- SE Region Headboat sampling suspended

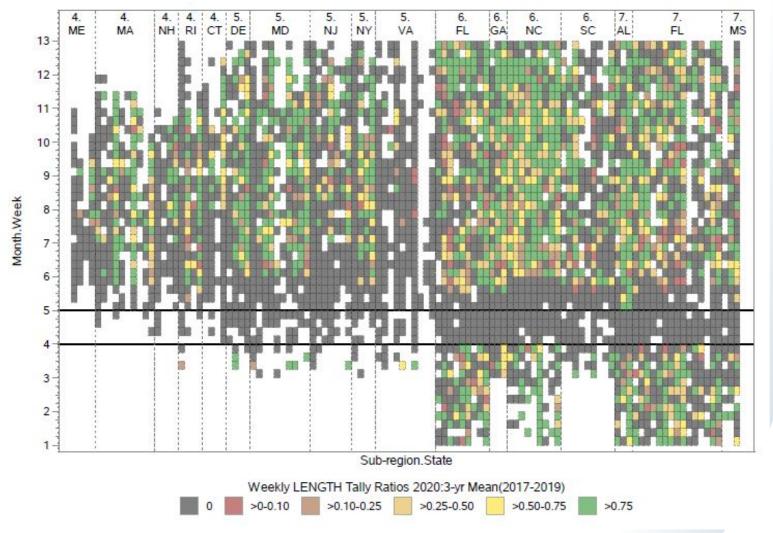


# 2020 MRIP Data Gaps



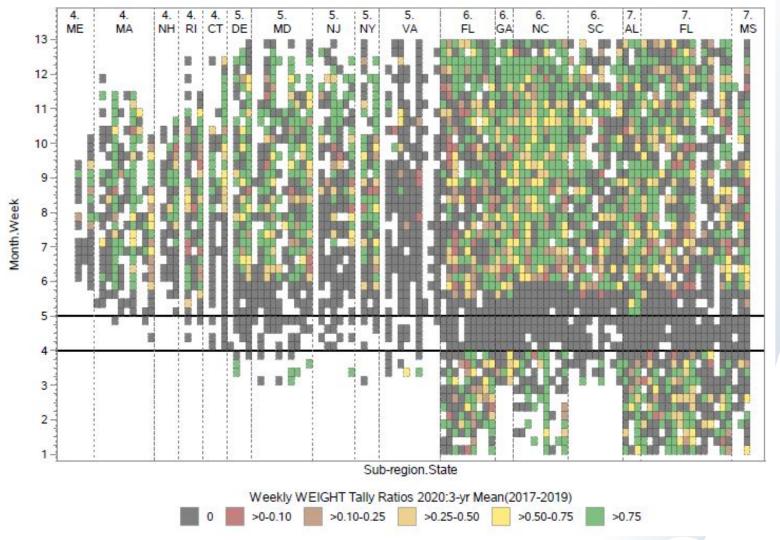


# 2020 MRIP Data Gaps: Lengths





### 2020 MRIP Data Gaps: Weights





### Data Imputation & Estimation

- APAIS sampling suspensions and resulting data gaps vary by state but are known
  - 2020 Sampling Status Tracker

### Simple imputation approach to fill gaps

- All APAIS data from 2018 and 2019 collected within the corresponding 2020 data gap periods combined with available 2020 data
- Original sample weights for 2018 and 2019 data down weighted by a factor of 2 to account for using two years of data
- Method discussed with MRIP statistical consultants

### Standard 2-month wave estimation

- Standard MRIP methodology used for both catch and effort estimates
- 2020 estimates will be available at the 2-month wave level



### Data Imputation & Estimation

- More complex methods were considered
  - Resource intensive
  - Larger deviation from standard MRIP estimation methodology
  - Auxiliary information
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  - OST developed modifications to APAIS questionnaire (May 2020)
  - Changes to survey questionnaires must be approved as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act
  - Whitehouse OMB Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs ultimately blocked proposed modifications (Summer 2020)
- OST will revisit 2020 estimates when complete APAIS data are available for 2021
  - Evaluate changes to 2020 estimates using imputed records from 2019,2021 vs 2018,2019

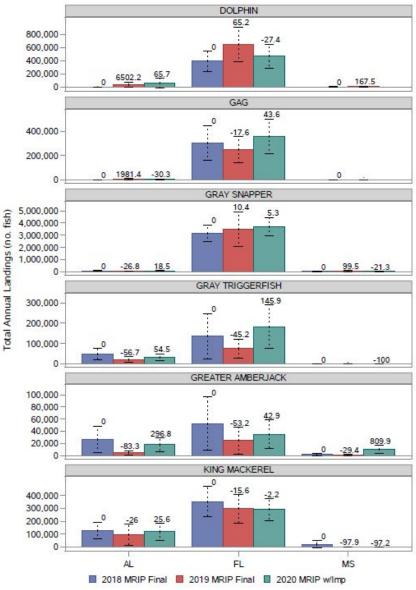


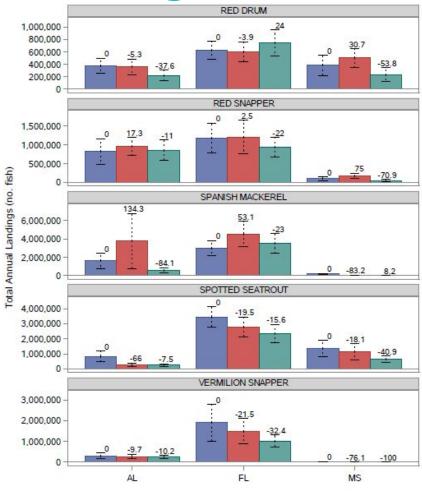
### Catch Estimates

- 2018-2020 Time series
  - Annual Landings by State and Region for Select Species
- 2020 With vs Without Imputed Records
  - Annual Landings by State and Region for Select Species

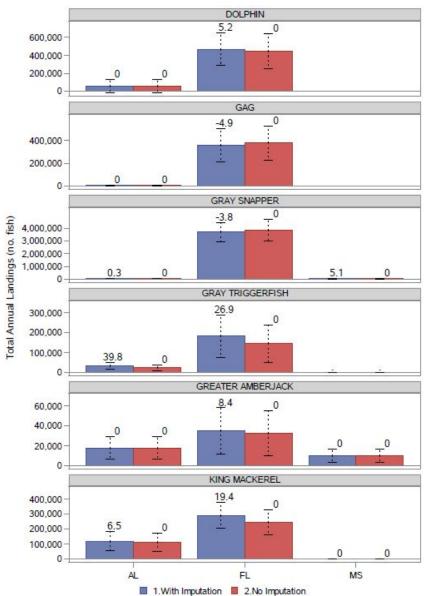


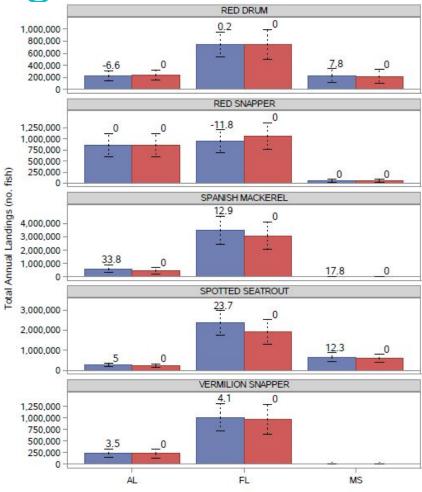
# 2018-2020 Annual Landings - Glf. Mx.





### 2020 Annual Landings - Glf Mexico

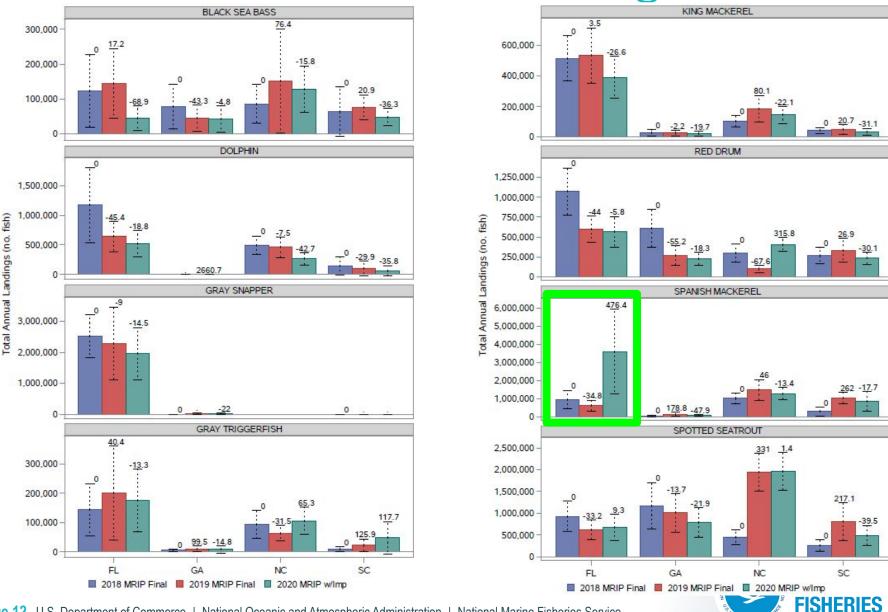




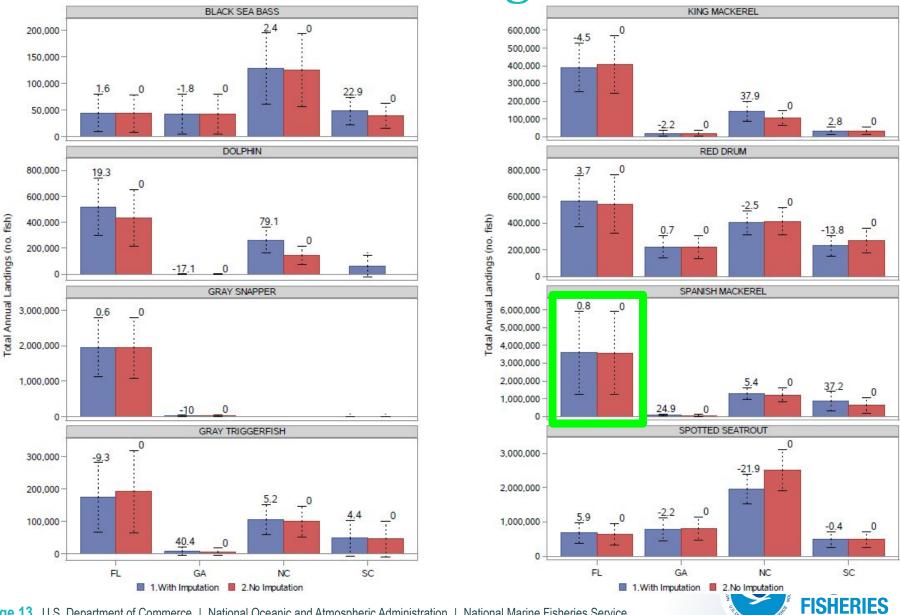


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# 2018-2020 Annual Landings - S. Atl.

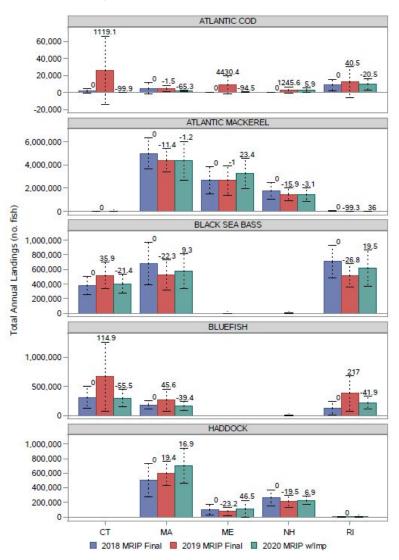


## 2020 Annual Landings - South Atl.

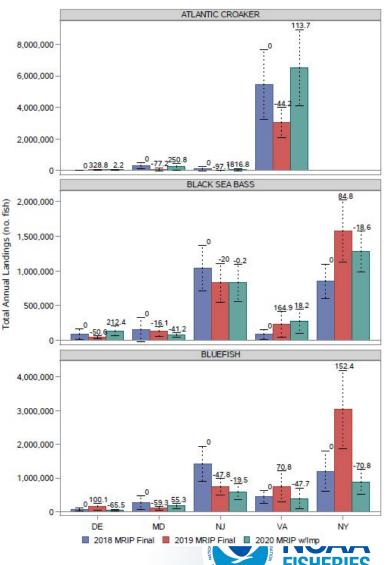


# 2018-2020 Annual Landings

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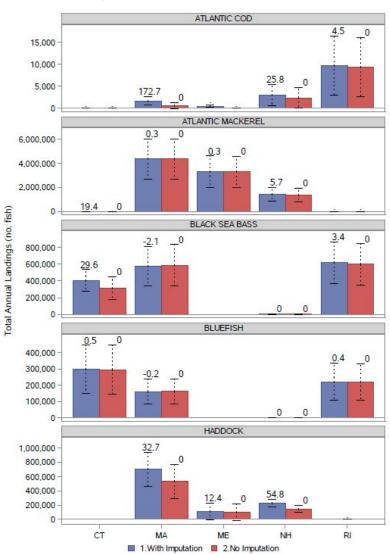


#### 5. Mid-Atlantic

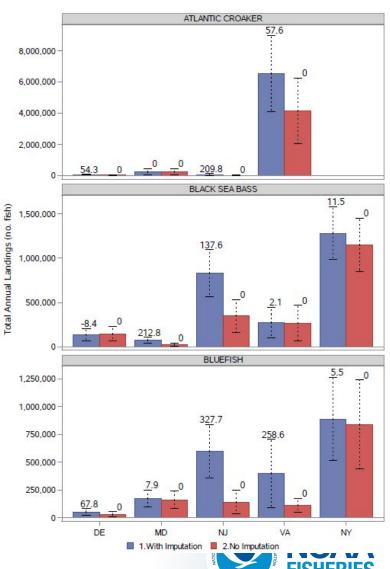


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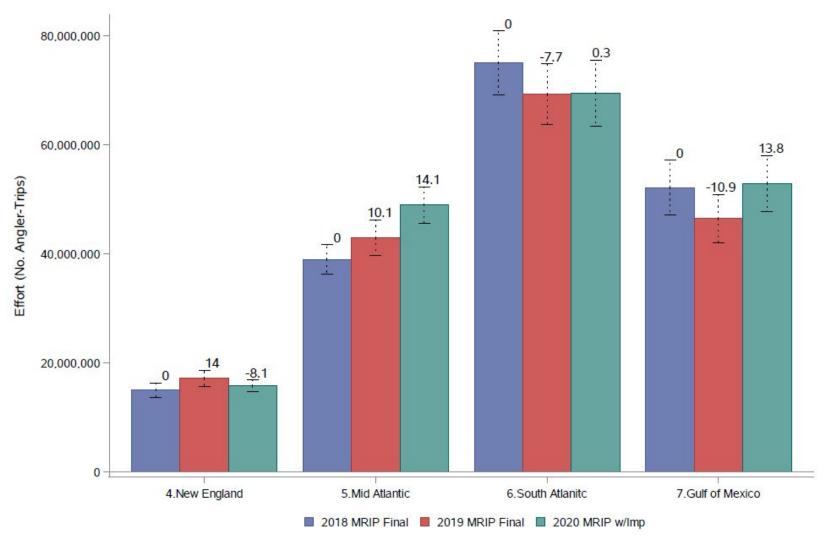


### **Effort Estimates**

- 2018-2020
  - Annual Effort by Region
  - Annual Effort by Region for Charter and Headboat modes
- 2020 With vs Without Imputed Records
  - Annual Effort by Region



### 2018-2020 Effort Estimates

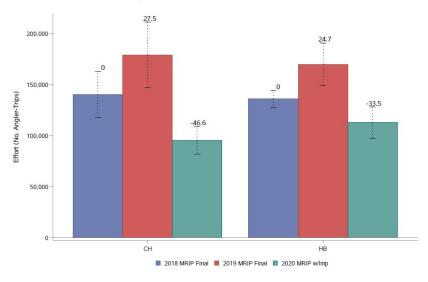


Data labels give % changes relative to prior year

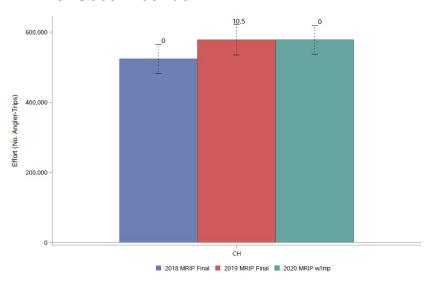


### 2018-2020 Charter/Headboat Effort

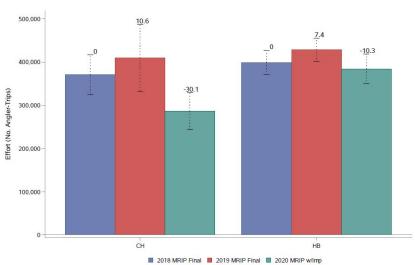
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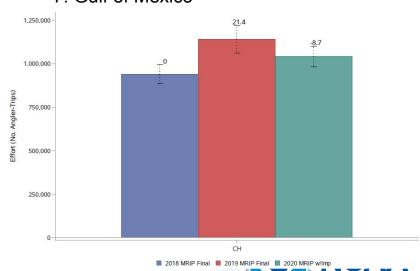
#### 6. South Atlantic



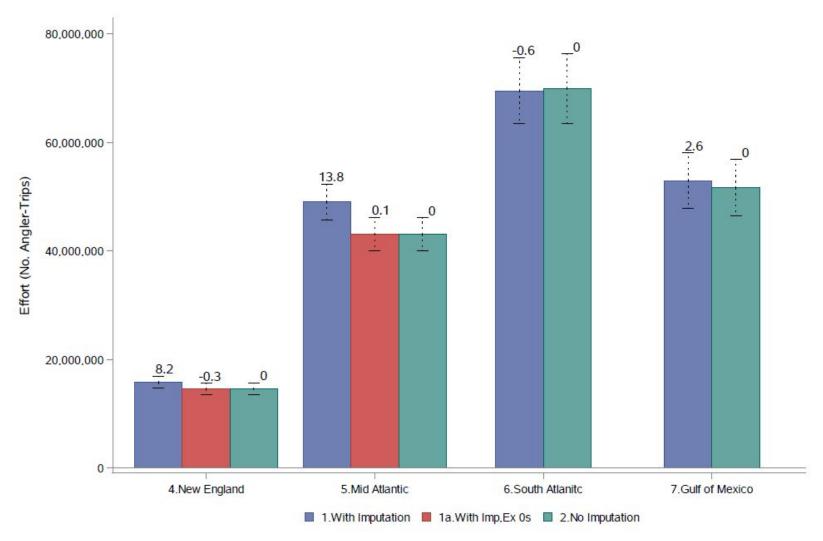
#### 5. Mid-Atlantic



#### 7. Gulf of Mexico



### 2020 Effort Estimates



Data labels give % changes relative to the 2.No Imputation series



### Next Steps

- Estimate Release
  - Occurred in Mid-April target to follow standard schedule
    - included wave and annual estimates
  - Communications Roll-out
  - Continuing communications in the Regions
- Revisit 2020 estimation in early 2022
  - Comparison of 2018, 2019 vs 2019, 2021





# Questions