

# ABCs: Illex 2023 Review; Illex 2024-2025

March 2023

#### Illex Now

- $\blacksquare$  ABC = 40,000 metric tons (MT)
  - SSC last year: apparent low risk of causing a problem

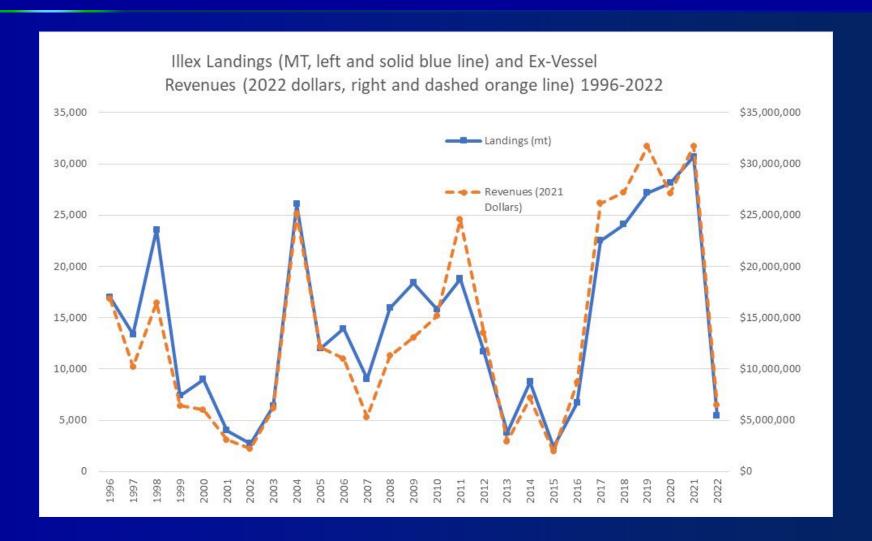
4.52% set aside for potential discards

Quota = 38,192 MT

Limited access, about 75 permits

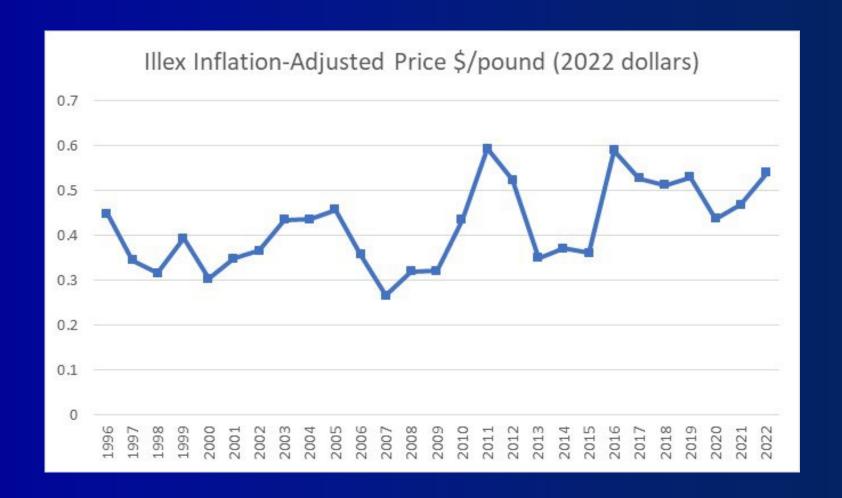


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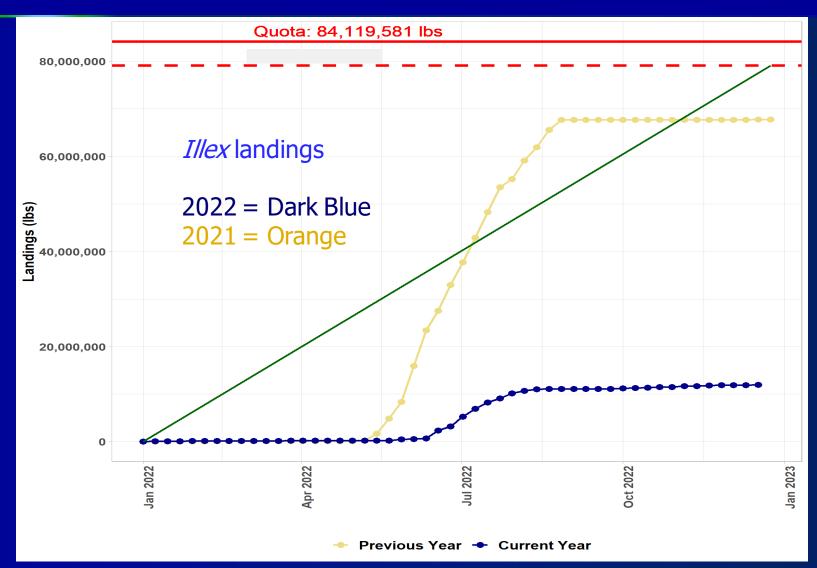


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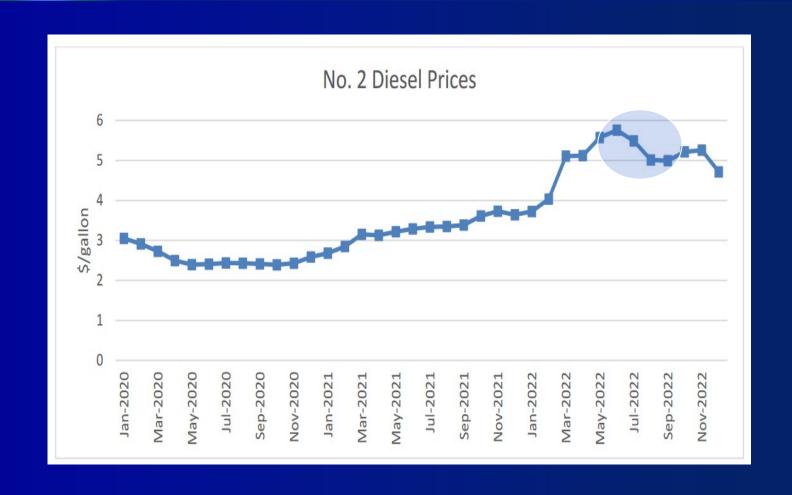


Market conditions stable re: just *Illex* 

High fuel prices and good inshore longfin fishing reduced *Illex* effort

For freezer vessels, fishing was not as good, but they still caught *Illex*...



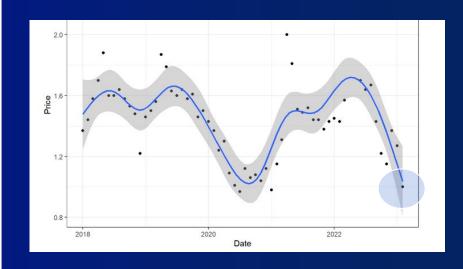




#### Longfin 2022 (blue)/2021

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#### **Longfin Prices**





Gulf Stream didn't shift inward like previous years

- Re: "what happened last year" focus...
  - We have good years and bad years...

 Continue involving fishermen in work on environmental linkages



#### Staff ABC Recommendation

 Potential rationale from the updated analyses to support ABC increases

But high uncertainty

- Maintain current ABC
  - Revisit if current quota reached (for the next/following year)
  - Or revisit for 2026 specifications

