



# *Illex* Permits

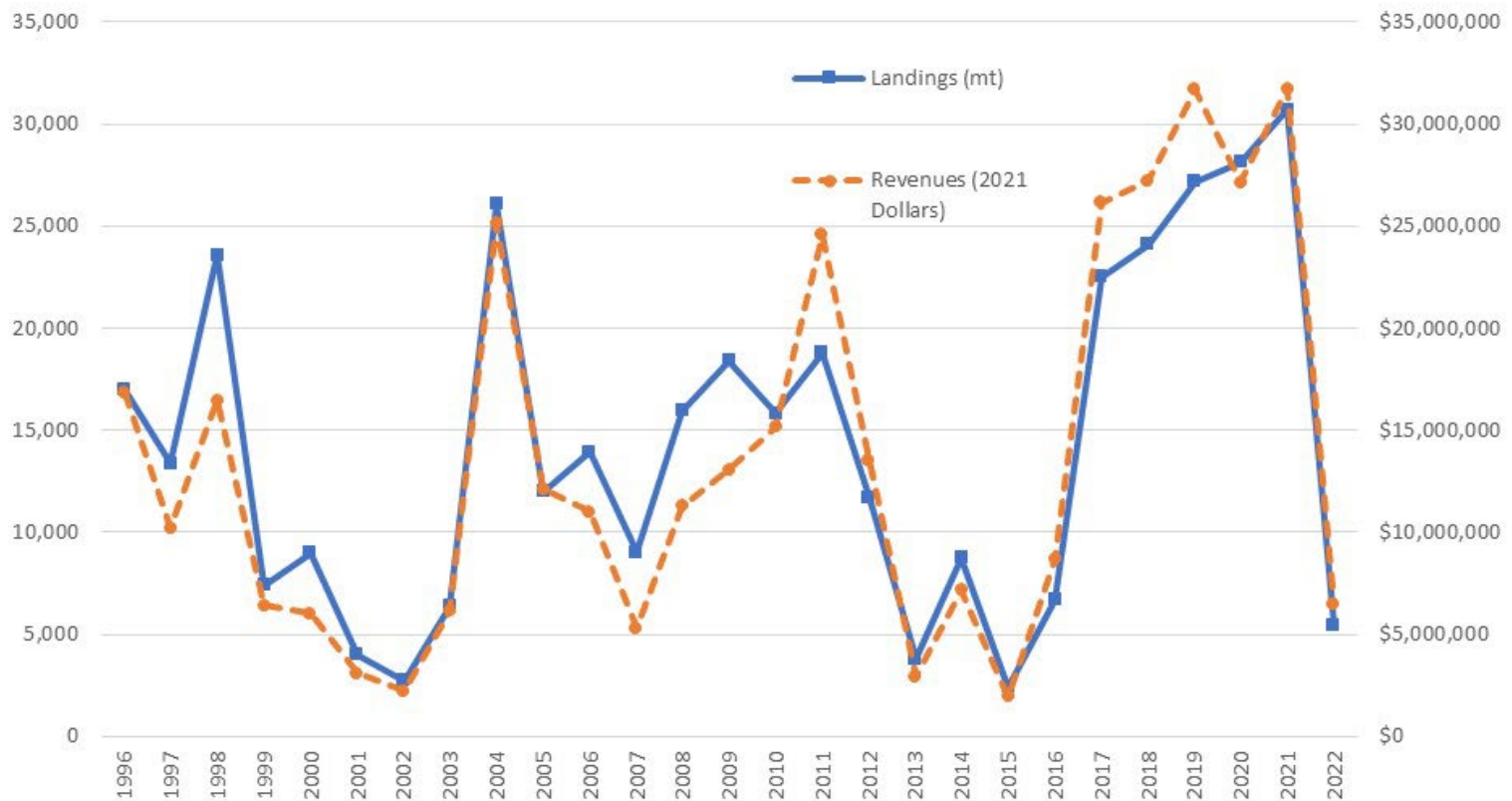
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# Now & recent...

- Limited access, about 75 permits
- Around 5-40 active year to year
  
- No closures 2005-2016
- Closures 2017-2021
- Didn't catch much of 2022 quota

# From Fishery Info Doc

Illex Landings (MT, left and solid blue line) and Ex-Vessel Revenues (2022 dollars, right and dashed orange line) 1996-2022



# Disapproval

- September 2022 Disapproval
- Council-NMFS letters re: clarification

# Disapproval

- Still capacity to have race to fish
- Too much focus on economic allocation
  - Not enough net benefits
- Reduction in fleet flexibility could be detrimental given changing conditions

# Disapproval Clarification

- What we said last time, and...
- More conservation issues involved w/longfin
- Lower threshold for requalification w/longfin
- Lower impacts on de-qualified vessels w/longfin
- *Illex* quotas have been increasing
- Qualification end dates now more distant w/*Illex*
- Industry split - majority letters opposed versus no opposition for longfin squid's re-permitting

# Next Steps

- Previous approach's success seems unlikely
- Capacity is an issue in this and other fisheries
- Framework to consider implementing a volumetric vessel hold baseline requirement and upgrade restriction for all *Illex* limited access permits.
  - Like mackerel
  - Not perfect, but...