



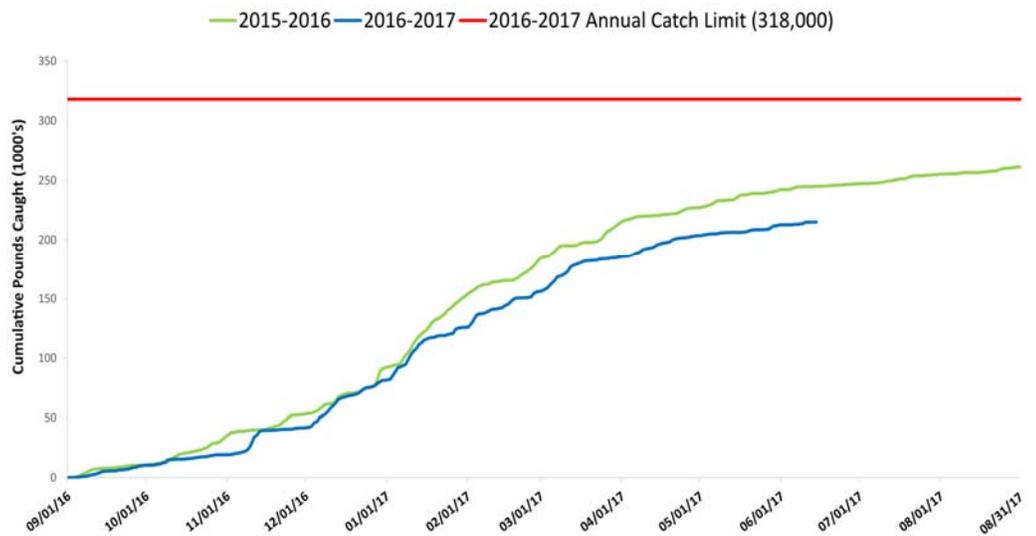
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Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish Fishery Comparison of 2015 - 2016 and 2016 - 2017



Roy Morioka holding an Onaga,
Photo by Dave Itano

MHI Total Deep 7 Reported Landings



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Fishing Year	Number of Fishers	Number of Trips	Number of Pieces	Total Reported Pounds	Percent Of ACL
2015 - 2016	371	2,347	74,664	261,369	80.20%
2016 - 2017	327	2,041	59,961	215,277	67.70%

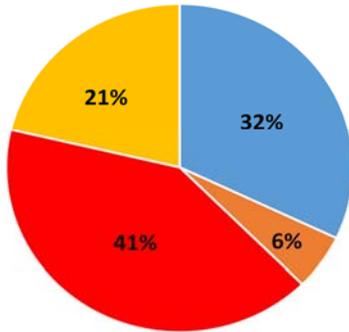
* Fishing year is open until August 31, 2017

As of June 20, 2017, commercial bottomfish fishers landed 215,278 pounds of Deep 7 bottomfish, or 67.7 % of the 318,000 annual catch limit (ACL) for the current federal fishing year, which began on September 1, 2016, and ends on August 31, 2017. In comparison to the previous federal fishing year, the bottomfish landings were similar for most of the year until late winter 2016, then remained lower due to many high wind days this winter. At the pace of the bottomfish landings for the current year, it appears that the fishery will remain open until August 31, 2017. The bottomfish fishery will re-open on September 1, 2017 with a new ACL of 306,000 pounds. Mahalo Nui Loa goes out to all commercial bottomfish fishers who submit accurate and timely trip reports. Your diligence and cooperation is appreciated!

MHI Bottomfish Port Landings and Total Number of Fishers by County

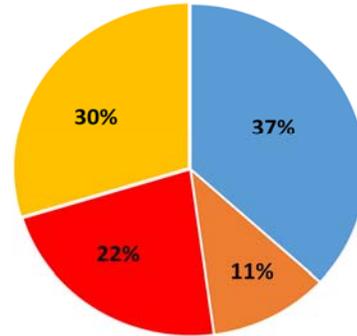
2015 - 2016

Total Pounds



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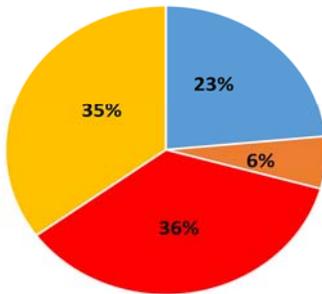
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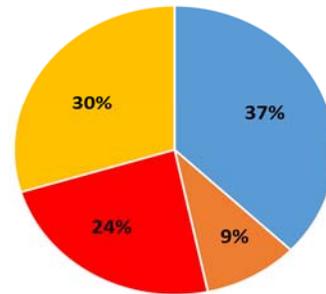
2016 - 2017

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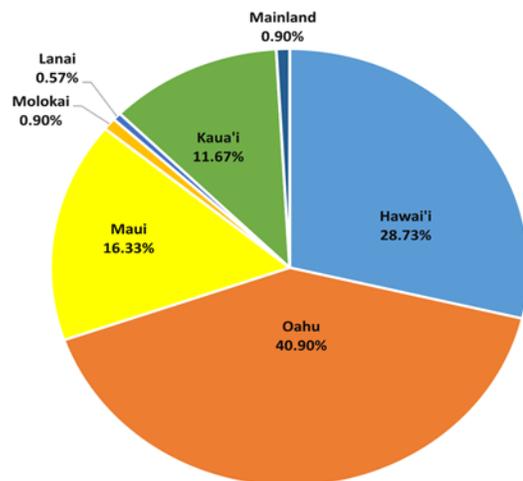


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Bottomfish Vessel Registration Renewal Reminder

Bottomfish vessel renewal notices will be mailed at the end of June 2016. Current bottomfish vessel registrations (BFVR) are valid until August 31, 2017 or when the ACL is reached. In the unlikely event that the ACL is reached before August 31, 2017 all bottomfish vessel registrants will be notified by mail. BFVRs for the 2017-2018 fishing can be renewed online at <https://dlnr.ehawaii.gov/cmls-public/app/welcome.html>, by mail, or at your local DAR office beginning July 1, 2017.

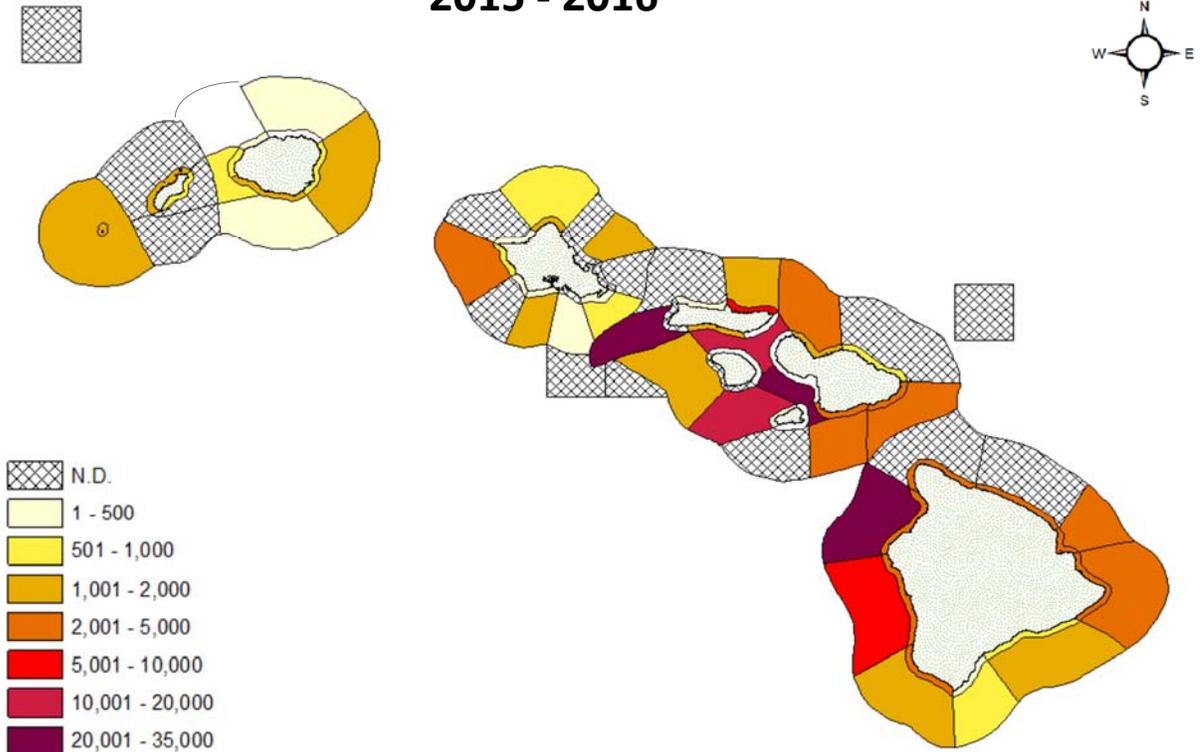
Registered Bottomfish Vessels by Island



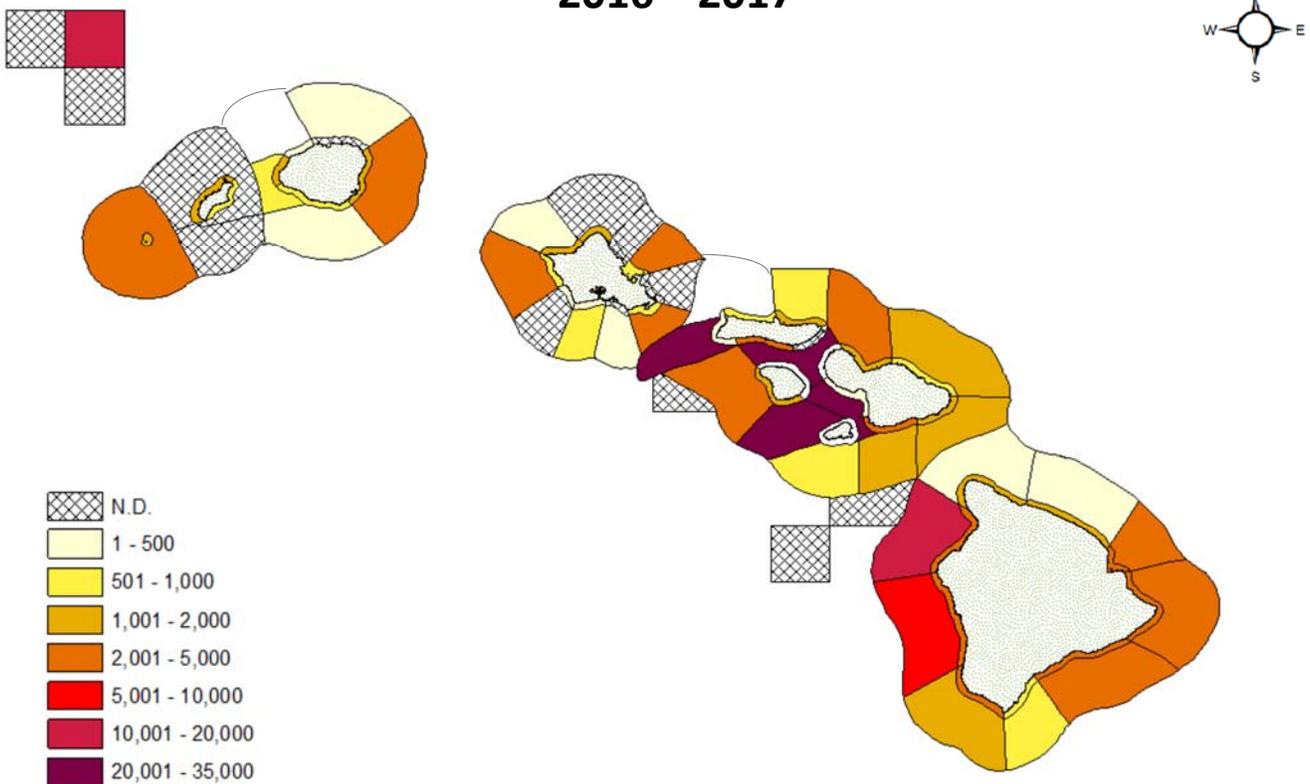
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MHI Bottomfish Landings by Fishing Grid Areas

2015 - 2016



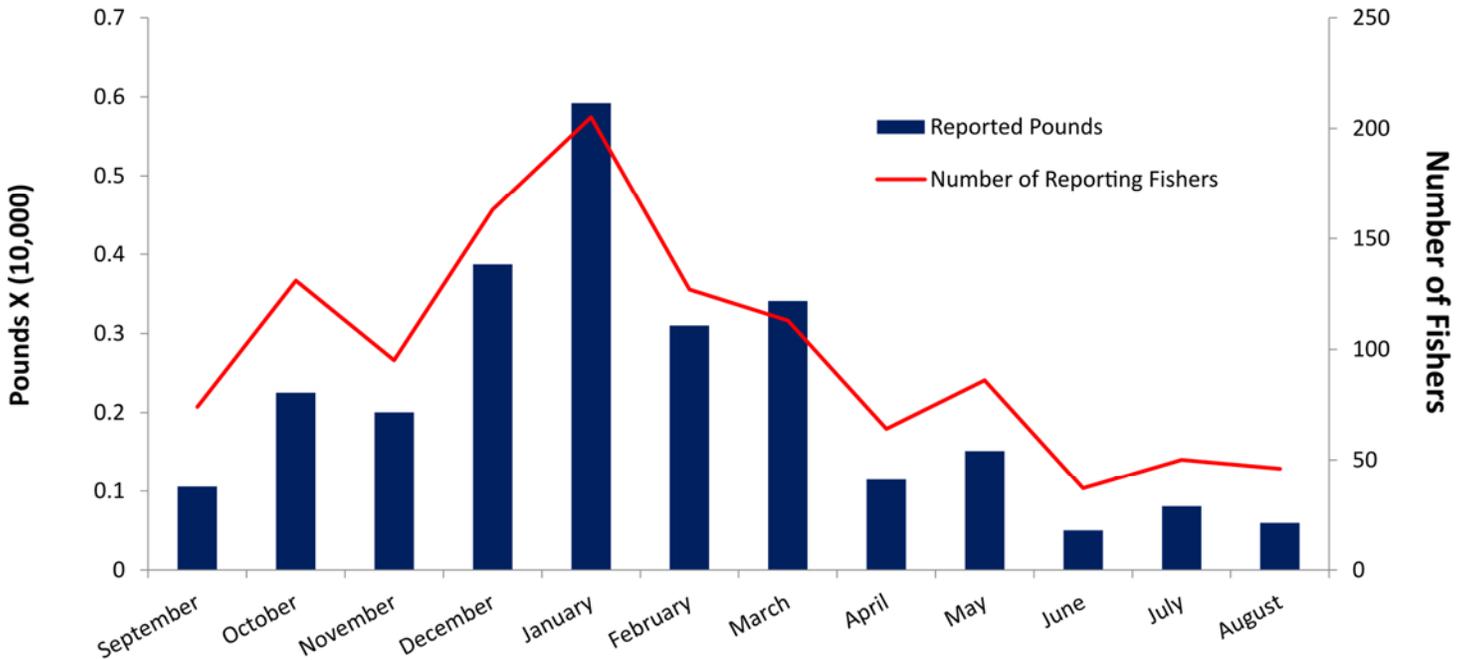
2016—2017



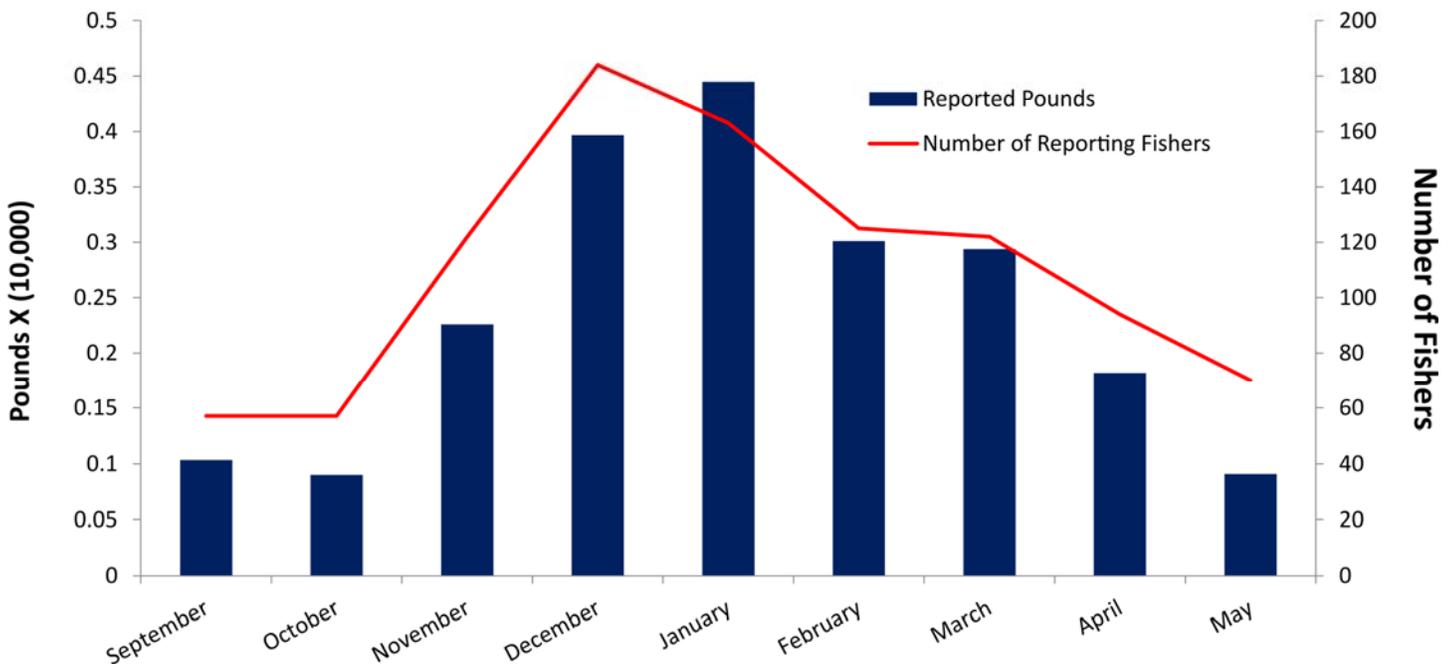
*Areas with less than three fishers are designated non-disclosure, N.D.

Total Reported Pounds and Number of Fishers by Month

2015 - 2016



2016 - 2017



New Online Fishing Report System



Online Fishing Reports
Division of Aquatic Resources

Log in to begin:

To log in, enter your Fishing License Number, Date of Birth, and Social Security Number (SSN) last 4 digits.

Commercial Marine License #: Example: 01234
Forgot your license number? [Search for it.](#)

Date of Birth: MM DD YYYY Select month, day, and year.

SSN Last 4 Digits: Example: 1234

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On June 27, 2016, the Division of Aquatic Resources launched an improved version of the Online Fishing Report System. The DAR online services website allows you to apply for a new or renew a Commercial Marine License, Bottomfish Vessel ID Registration, and submit fishing reports. All of these services can be accessed via: <https://DLNR.eHawaii.gov/cmls-fr>.

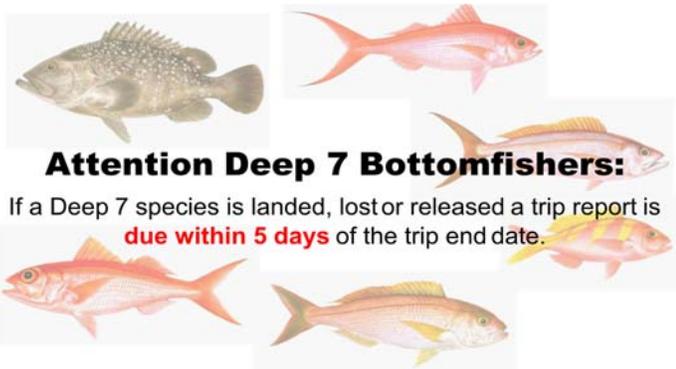
The new system is compatible with smart phones, tablets, and traditional computers. All commercial fishing report types can be submitted via the Online Fishing Report system, *except for the Aquarium Fish and Aku Boat Catch Reports.*

A few new features of the revised Online Fishing Report system:

- View a tutorial video to walk you through the reporting process.
- Displays Commercial Marine License expiration date and renewal reminder link
- Reports will be submitted by trip and users can edit submitted fishing reports
- Immediate report credit for each fishing trip report submission
- System will highlight report discrepancy for correction
- The report log will show if a Civil Resource Violation is assessed and will link to the Administration Proceedings Office website

If you need assistance, please contact the Statistical Unit in Honolulu at (808) 587-0565, 587-0108, 587-0594, or 587-0084. You may also e-mail questions to FishReport@Hawaii.gov or Bottomfish@Hawaii.gov.

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Attention Deep 7 Bottomfishers:

If a Deep 7 species is landed, lost or released a trip report is **due within 5 days** of the trip end date.

- Bottomfish trip reports are due within 5 days of trip end.
- Late trip reports are subject to a fine.
- Reports can be entered online: dlnr.ehawaii.gov/cmls or using a paper form, please call (808) 587-0109 for a trip report book or visit your local DAR office.



Dear Commercial Bottomfish fishers and dealers-Please let us know what kind of information is useful to you. We welcome your feedback! Any feedback about the newsletter, positive or negative, is greatly appreciated! **PLEASE CALL** statistical staff member, Kimberlee Harding, (808) 587-0594 or e-mail dlnr.ar.bf@hawaii.gov. Mahalo! - DAR Statistical Unit

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