

# **Alaska Region**

## **National Marine Fisheries Service**

### **Gulf of Alaska**

#### **Inseason Management Report**

#### **December 2009**



Catch data are through November 14, 2009

*Management reports can be found at:*  
<http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/inseason/default.htm>

# GULF OF ALASKA REPORTING AREAS

ALASKA

NPT = Non Pelagic Trawl

PTR = Pelagic Trawl

HAL = Hook and Line / Longline

CP = Catcher Processor

CV = Catcher Vessel

610

620

630

640

649

650

659

## LEGEND

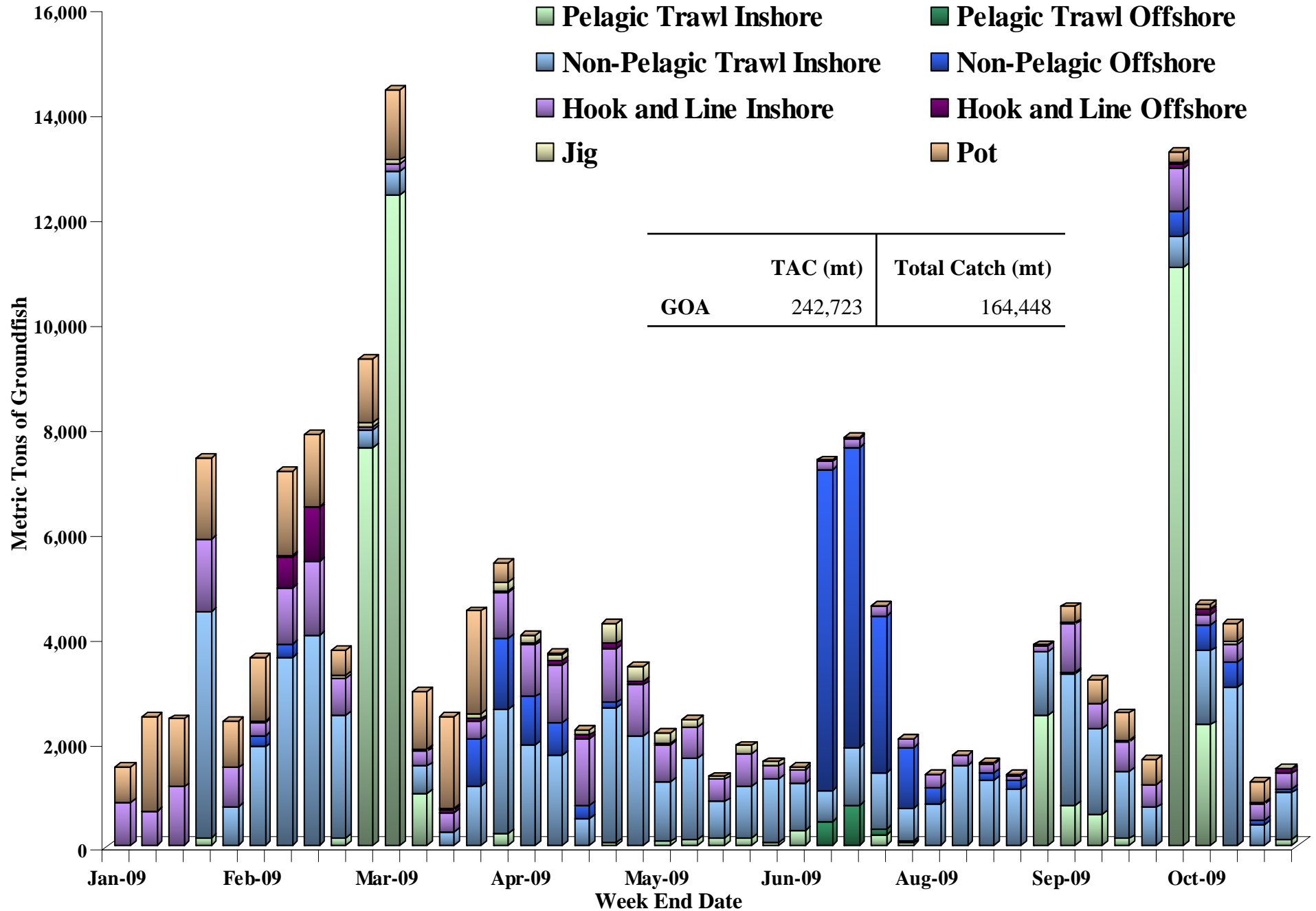
Western GOA = 610

Central GOA = 620 + 630

Eastern GOA =

640 + 649 + 650 + 659

# 2009 GOA Total Groundfish Catch by Gear & Sector

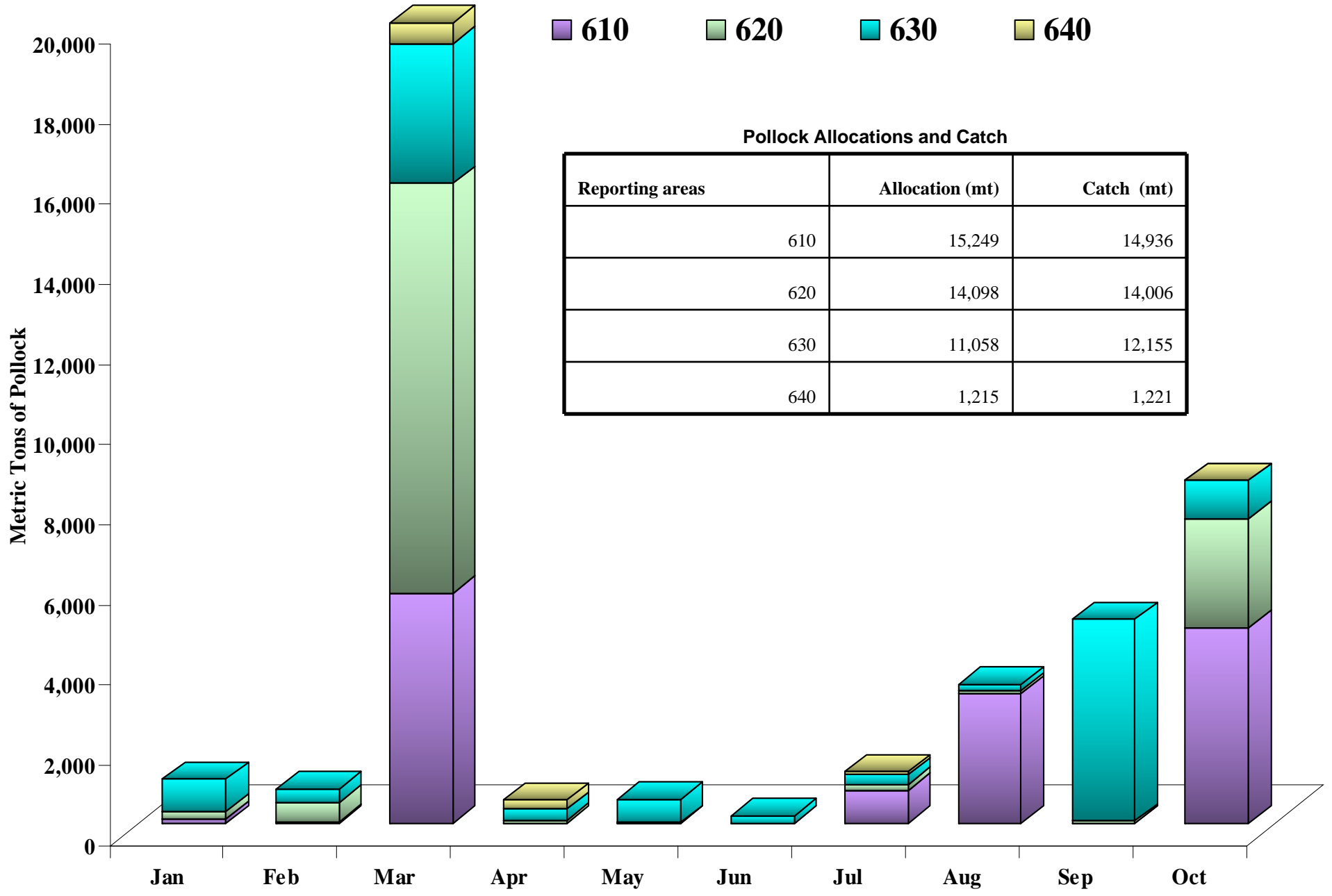


# 2009 Pollock Catch in GOA

610
  620
  630
  640

**Pollock Allocations and Catch**

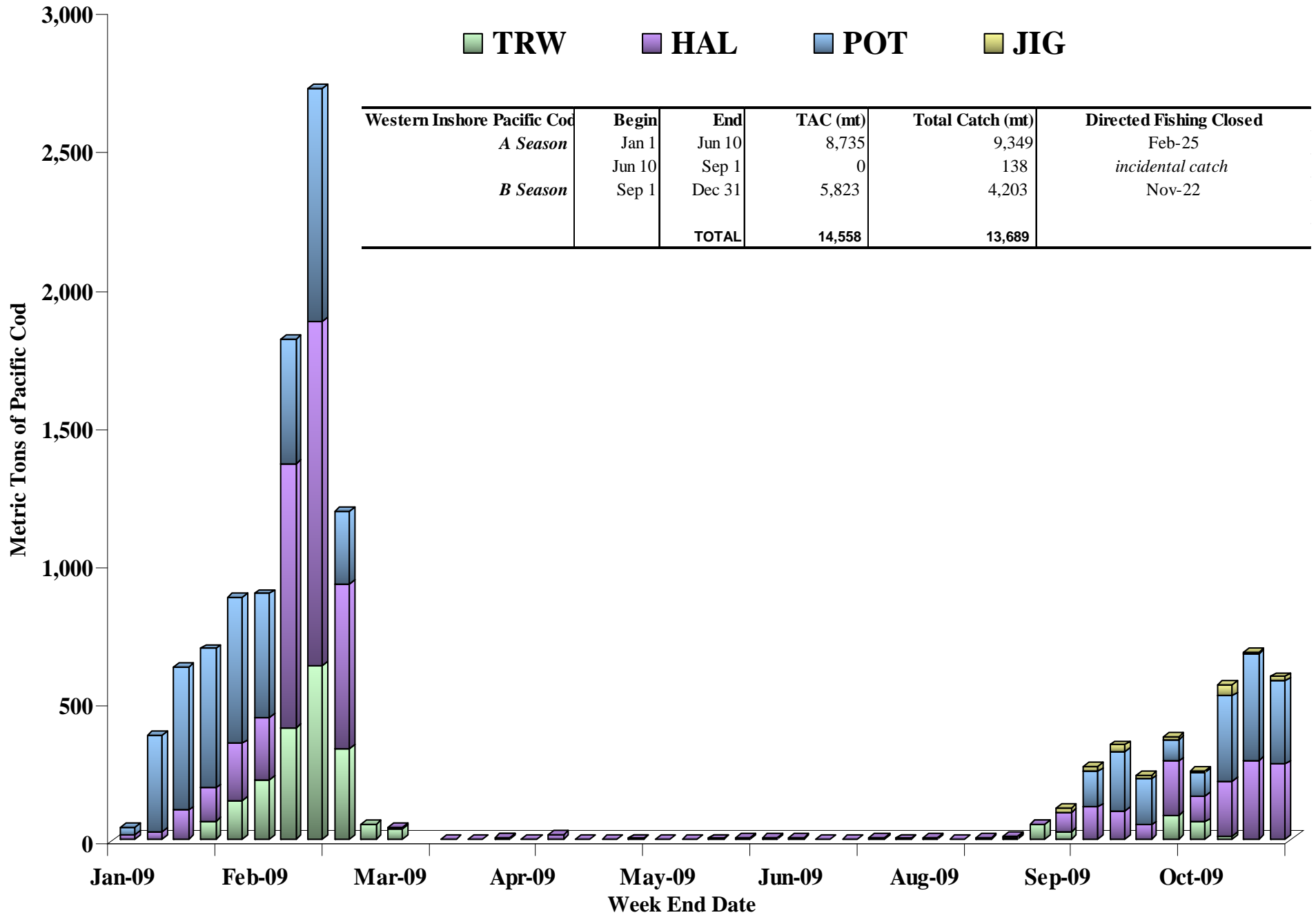
Reporting areas	Allocation (mt)	Catch (mt)
610	15,249	14,936
620	14,098	14,006
630	11,058	12,155
640	1,215	1,221



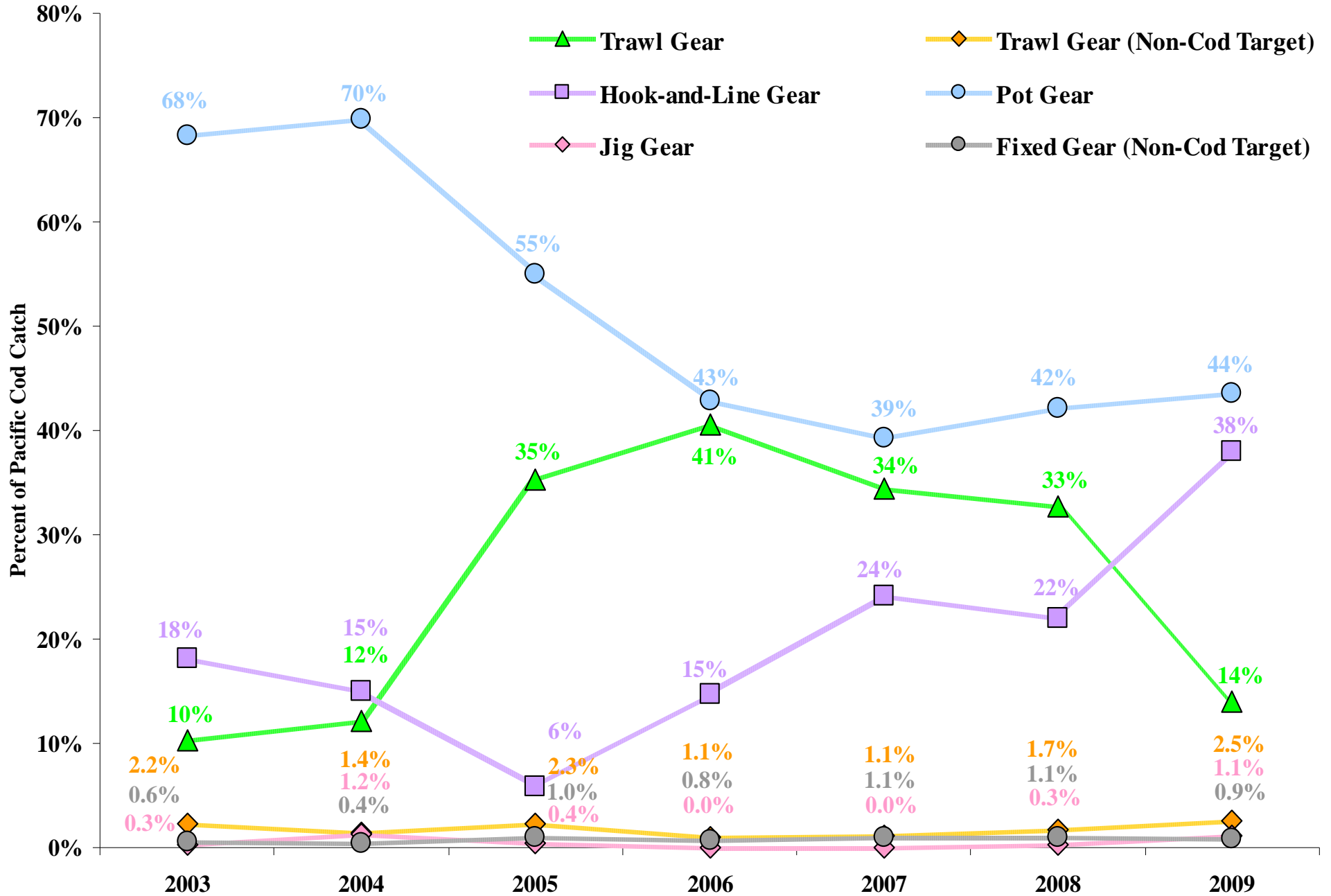
# 2009 Pollock Closures

		<b>Open</b>	<b>Closed</b>	<b>Reason</b>
<b>610 Pollock</b>	<b>A Season</b>	Jan 20	Jan 22	TAC
		Mar 1	Mar 3	TAC
	<b>B Season</b>	Mar 10	May 12	TAC
	<b>C Season</b>	Aug 25	Aug 31	TAC
	<b>D Season</b>	Oct 1	Oct 6	TAC
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<b>620 Pollock</b>	<b>A Season</b>	Jan 20	Mar 6	TAC
	<b>B Season</b>	Mar 10	Mar 14	TAC
	<b>C Season</b>	Aug 25	26-Aug	TAC
		Sep 29	Oct 1	Reg
	<b>D Season</b>	Oct 1	Oct 4	TAC
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<b>630 Pollock</b>	<b>A Season</b>	Jan 20	Jan 22	TAC
		Feb 11	Feb 11	TAC
		Mar 9	Mar 10	Reg
	<b>B Season</b>	Mar 10	Mar 11	TAC
	<b>C Season</b>	Aug 25	Aug 26	TAC
		Sep 29	Oct 1	TAC
	<b>D Season</b>	Oct 1	Oct 1	TAC

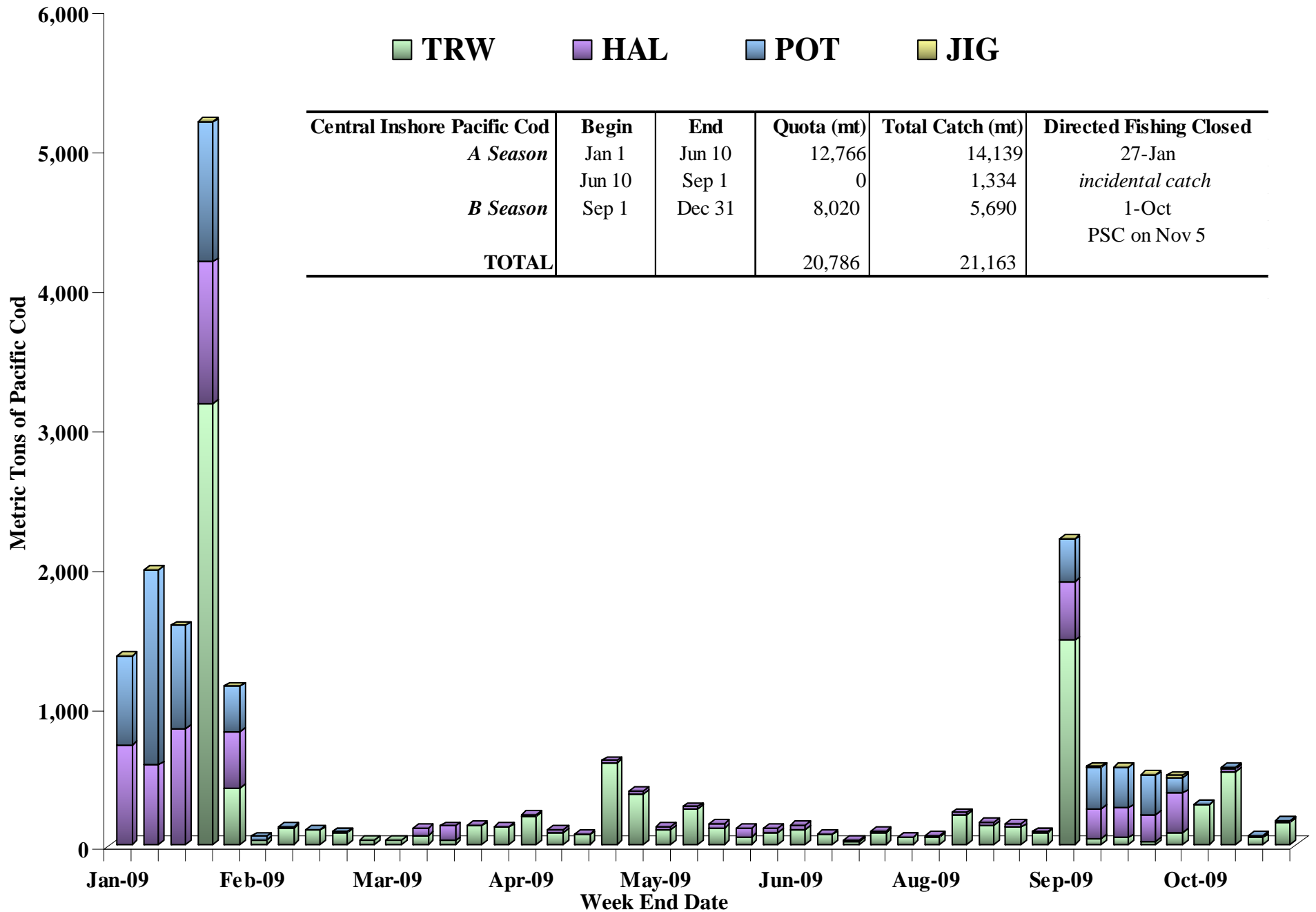
# 2009 Western Gulf Inshore Pacific Cod Catch by Week and Gear



# Annual Western Gulf Inshore Pacific Cod Catch by Gear

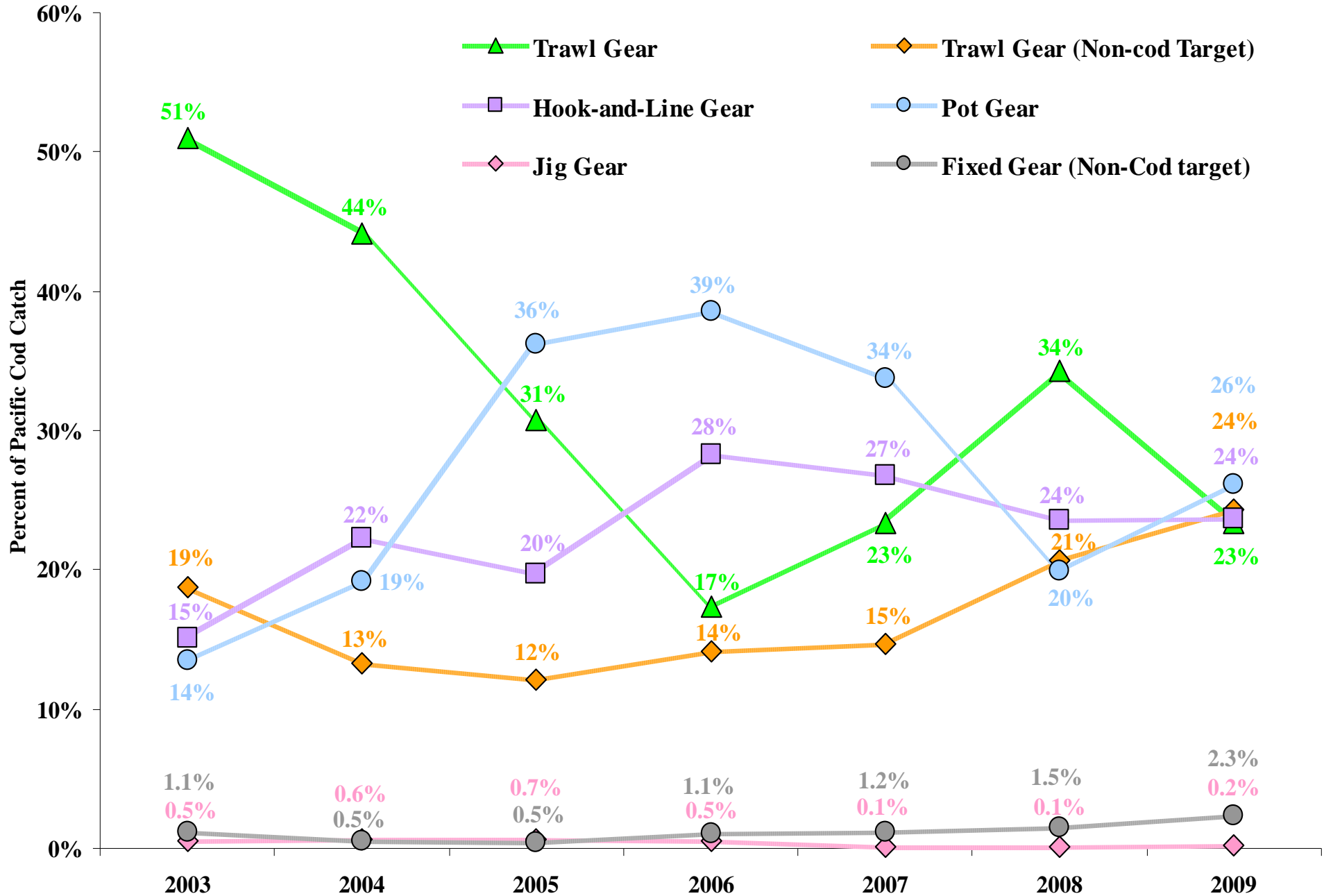


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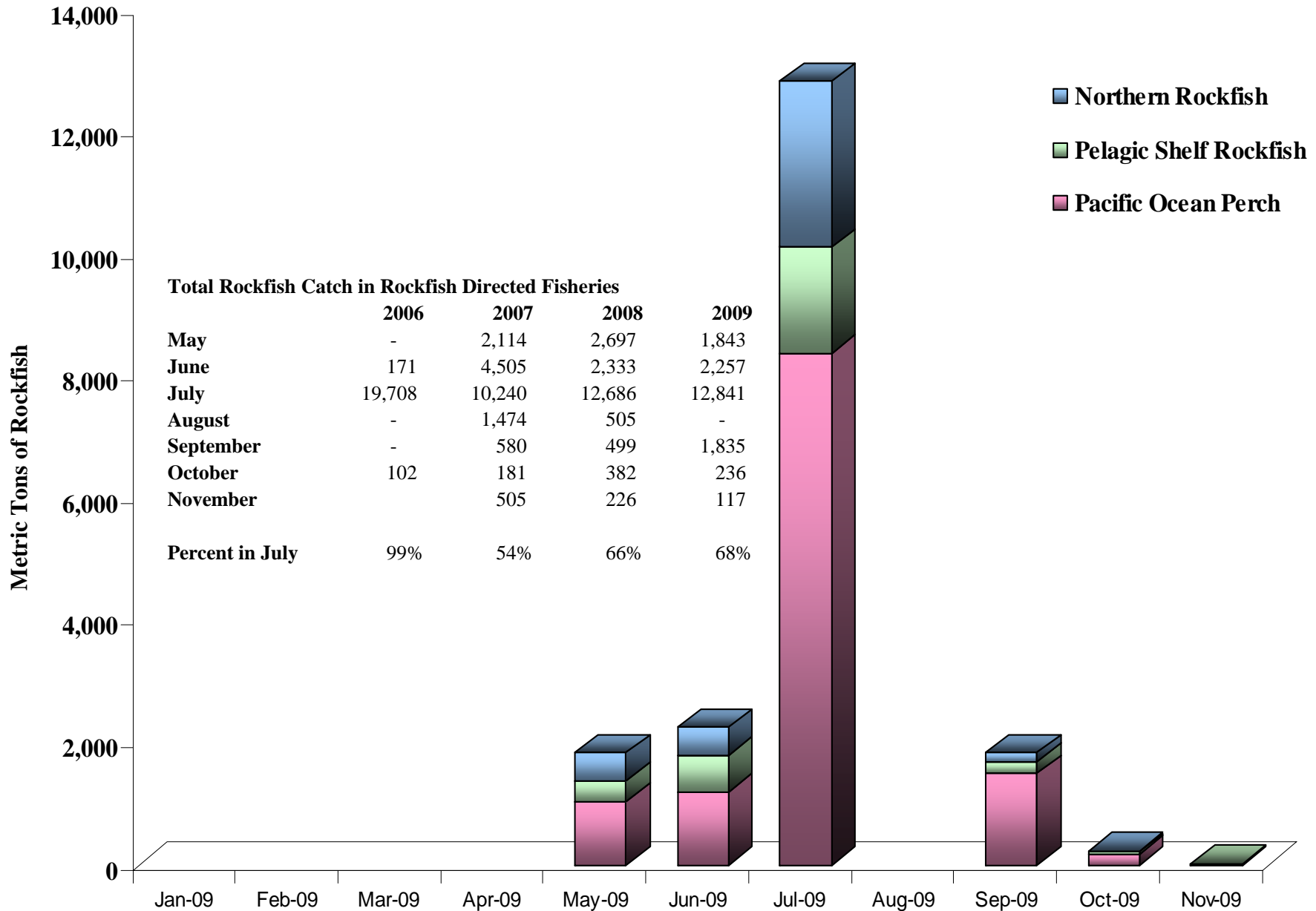
# Central Gulf Inshore Pacific Cod Season Length and Effort

		Season Length			Number of Vessels Directed fishing (Effort)			
		Open	Closed	Days	HAL	Pot	Jig	Trawl
2003	A Season	1-Jan	9-Feb	39	96	36	13	41
	B Season	1-Sep	3-Sep	2	22	5	3	33
2004	A Season	1-Jan	31-Jan	30	90	36	34	41
	B Season	1-Sep	17-Nov	59*	50	18	11	42
2005	A Season	1-Jan	26-Jan	25	84	36	29	34
	B Season	1-Sep	No Closure	121	41	30	8	34
2006	A Season	1-Jan	28-Feb	58	60	41	28	33
	B Season	1-Sep	No Closure	121	56	28	6	8
2007	A Season	1-Jan	27-Feb	57	66	57	10	28
	B Season	1-Sep	No Closure	121	58	26	6	24
2008	A Season	1-Jan	20-Feb	51**	78	50	7	30
	B Season	1-Sep	3-Oct	32	57	17	4	30
2009	A Season	1-Jan	27-Jan	26	78	53	9	29
	B Season	1-Sep	1-Oct	30	49	16	5	26

\* Season closed from 10-Sep to 28-Sep (17 days)

\*\* Season closed 20-Feb to 29-Feb (8 days)

# GOA Targeted Rockfish Catch by Month



# 2009 Rockfish Pilot Program Allocations and Catch

Preliminary catch as of December 1, 2009

Entry Level	Limit	Catch	Percent Caught	Remaining
<b>Entry Level</b>				
Pacific Ocean Perch	402	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential
Northern Rockfish	110	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential
Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	165	41	25%	124
<b>Catcher Processor Limited Access</b>				
Pacific Ocean Perch	1,403	1,403	100%	0
Northern Rockfish	498	494	99%	4
Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	1,137	472	42%	665
<b>Catcher Vessel Limited Access</b>				
Pacific Ocean Perch	28	0	0%	0
Northern Rockfish	10	0	0%	0
Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	5	0	0%	0
<b>Cooperatives</b>				
Pacific Ocean Perch	6,212	5,842	94%	370
Northern Rockfish	1,590	1,347	85%	243
Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	1,997	1,566	78%	431
Pacific Cod	491	454	92%	37
Sablefish	421	415	99%	6
Thornyhead Rockfish	193	39	20%	153
Shorthead Rockfish	48	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential
Rougeye Rockfish	248	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential
Pacific Halibut	170	27	16%	143
<b>Primary Species Totals Including Central GOA Incidental Catch</b>				
Pacific Ocean Perch	8246	8,027	97%	219
Northern Rockfish	2308	1,977	86%	331
Pelagic Shelf Rockfish	3404	2,162	64%	1,242

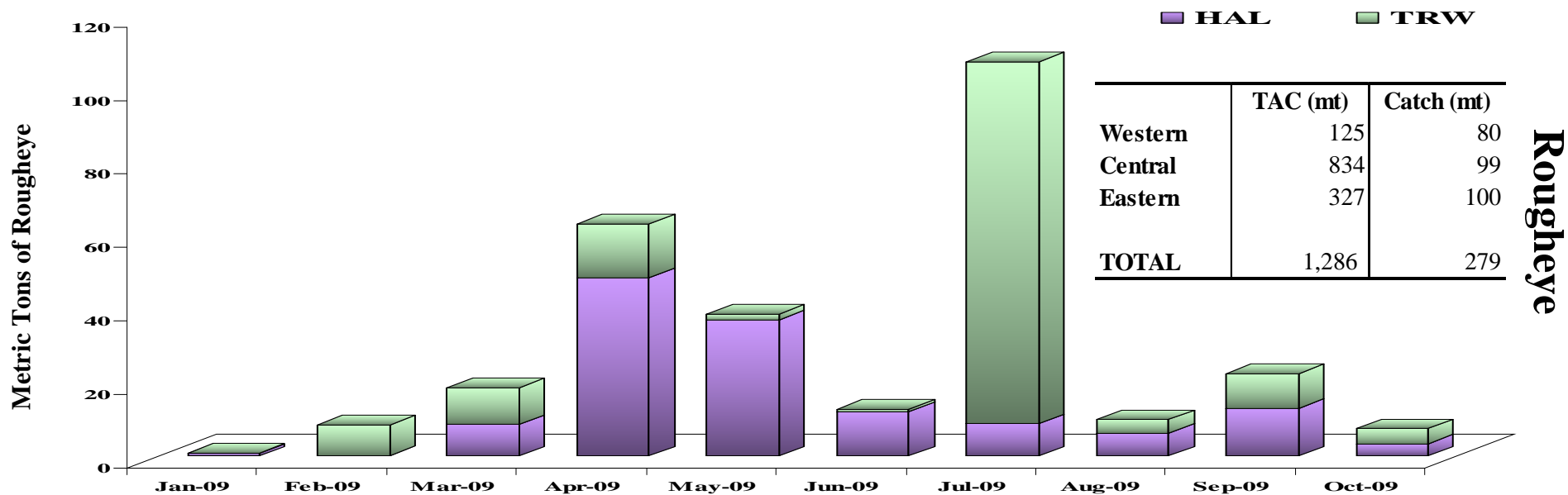
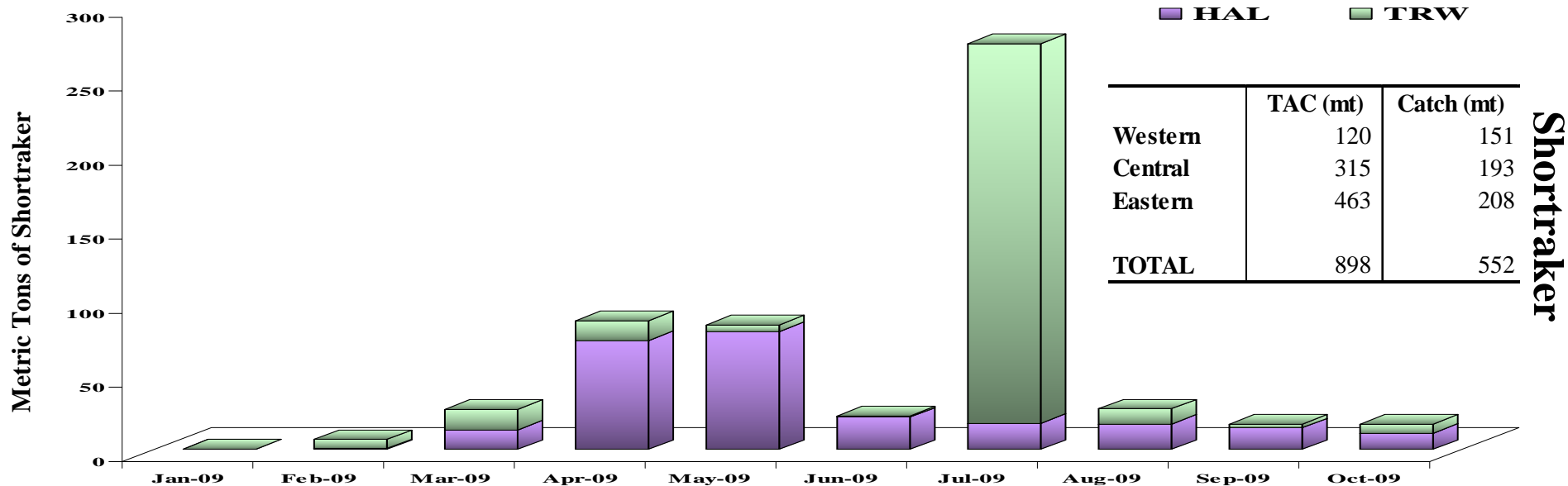
In 2006, five catcher processors and 25 trawl catcher vessels targeted rockfish in the Central GOA.

In 2007, five catcher processors and 27 trawl catcher vessels targeted rockfish in the Program.

In 2008, six catcher processors and 27 trawl catcher vessels targeted rockfish in the Program.

In 2009, 8 catcher processors and 26 trawl catcher vessels targeted rockfish in the Program.

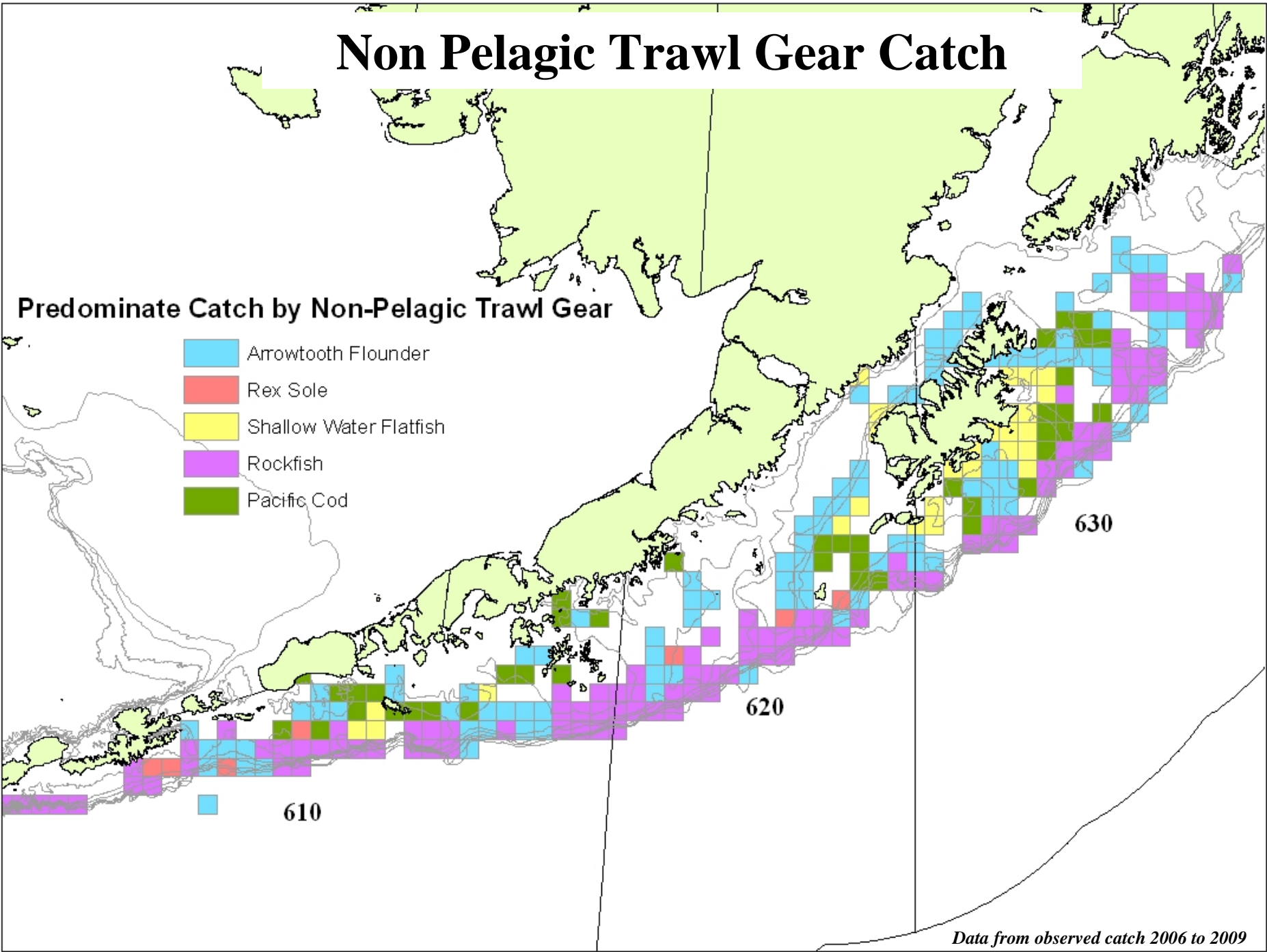
# 2009 GOA Shortraker and Rougheye Rockfish Catch



# Non Pelagic Trawl Gear Catch

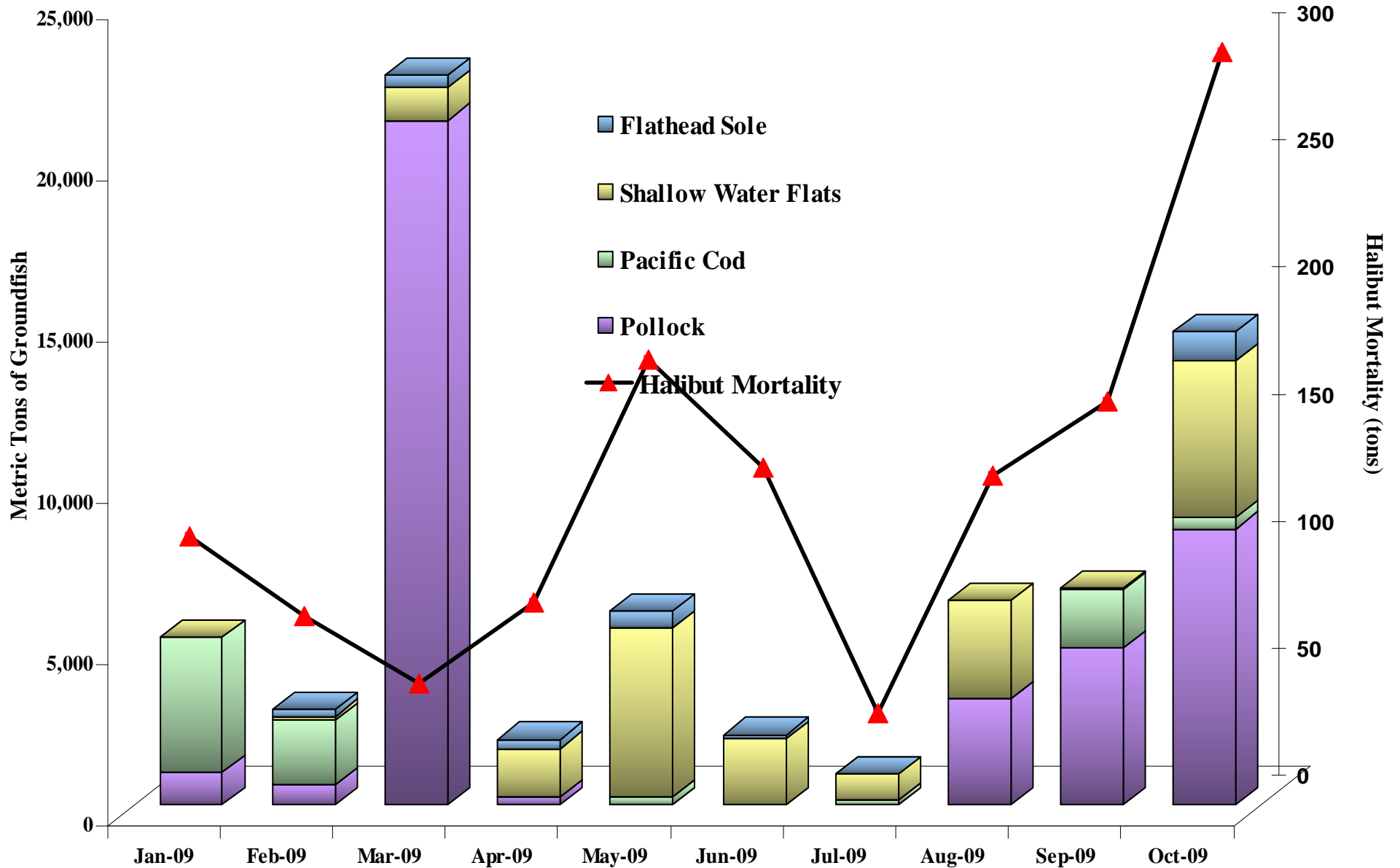
## Predominate Catch by Non-Pelagic Trawl Gear

- Arrowtooth Flounder
- Rex Sole
- Shallow Water Flatfish
- Rockfish
- Pacific Cod

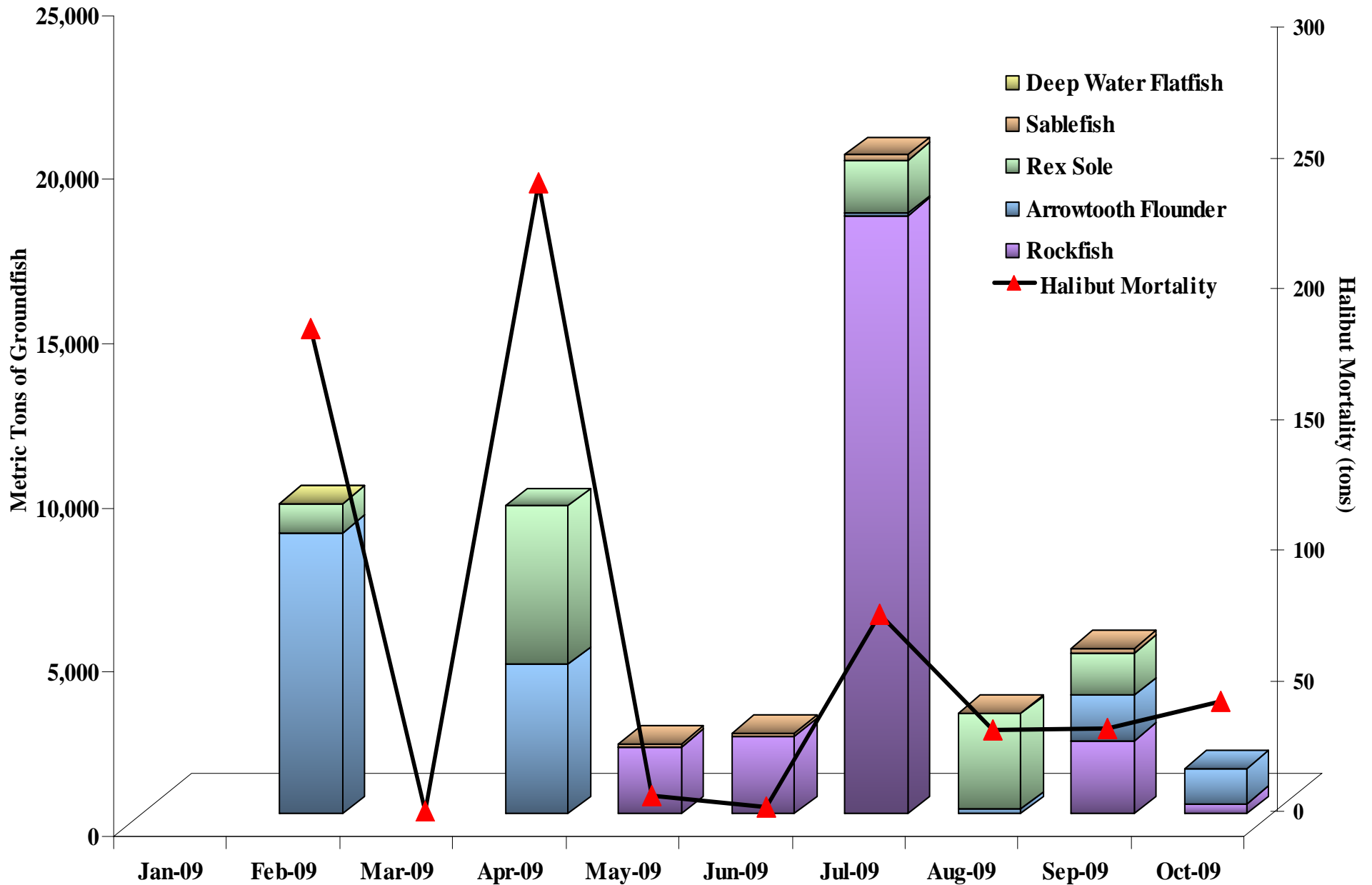


Data from observed catch 2006 to 2009

# 2009 Trawl Shallow Water Complex Catch by Target and Halibut Mortality Amount



# 2009 Trawl Deep Water Complex Catch by Target and Halibut Mortality





# 2009 Flatfish and Skate Catch in the GOA

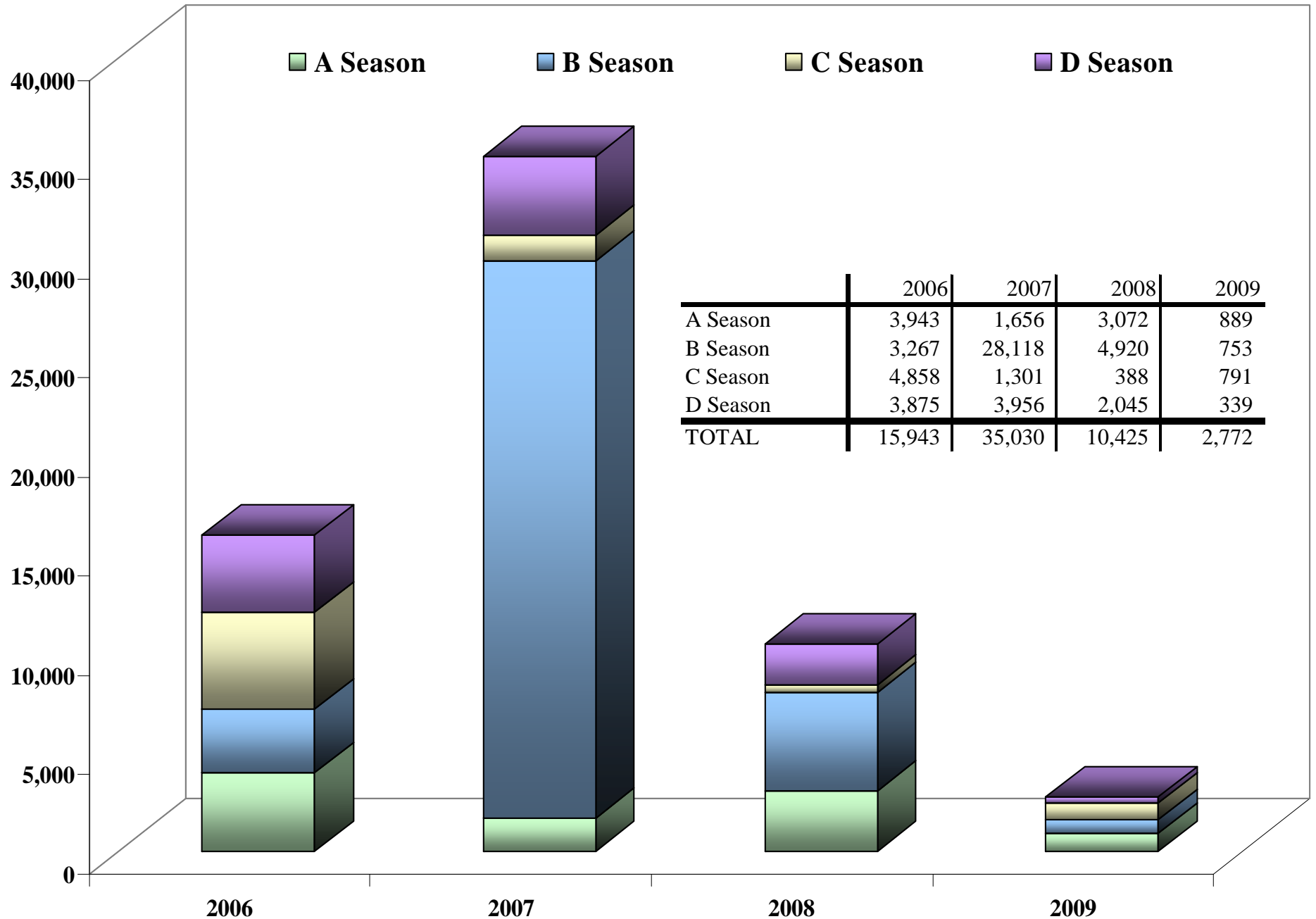
	TAC (mt)	Total Catch (mt)	Percentage caught of TAC
<b>Arrowtooth Flounder</b>			
Central	30,000	22,941	76%
Western	8,000	1,518	19%
<b>Flathead Sole</b>			
Central	6,420	497	8%
Western	2,000	303	15%
<b>Rex Sole</b>			
Central	6,630	4,204	63%
Western	1,007	342	34%
<b>Shallow Water Flatfish</b>			
Central	13,000	8,217	63%
Western	4,500	96	2%
<b>Deep Water Flatfish</b>			
Central	6,927	434	6%
Western	706	8	1%
<b>Big Skate</b>			
Central	2,065	1,664	81%
Western	632	68	11%
<b>Longnose Skate</b>			
Central	2,041	887	43%
Western	78	70	90%

# 2009 Trawl Halibut Mortality

Shallow Water Complex	Season	Start Date	End Date	Limit (mt)	Total Mortality (mt)
	1	Jan 20	Apr 1	450	193
	2	Apr 1	Jul 1	100	349
	3	Jul 1	Sep 1	200	142
	4	Sep 1	Sep 30	150	149
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>900</b>	<b>834</b>
<b>Deep Water Complex</b>	<b>Season</b>				
	1	Jan 20	Apr 1	100	185
	2	Apr 1	Jul 1	300	240
	3	Jul 1	Sep 1	229	92
	4	Sep 1	Sep 30	0	29
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>800</b>	<b>547</b>
<b>Rockfish Pilot Program*</b>				170	27
<b>Fall Halibut Allocation</b>		Oct 1	Nov 1	300	396
<b>Total Halibut Mortality</b>				2,000	1,785

\* Reallocation of 139 mt of halibut mortality from the Rockfish Pilot Program to the fall halibut allocation on November 15, 2009

# Chinook Salmon PSC in GOA Pollock Fisheries



# 2006 - 2009 Observed Chinook Salmon PSC

