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HALIBUT COMMISSION

IPHC Fisheries Dependent Data Collection Design and Implementation in 2024 – Port operations

Agenda item: 4.1.1
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(M. Thom)



Primary Objective

- Collect representative samples from Pacific halibut offloads across the geographical range of the commercial fishery and throughout the commercial fishing period
 - To provide data for the annual IPHC stock assessment;
 - To provide data in support of the IPHC research goals;
 - To maintain field-based points of contact between the fishing industry and the IPHC Headquarters Secretariat.

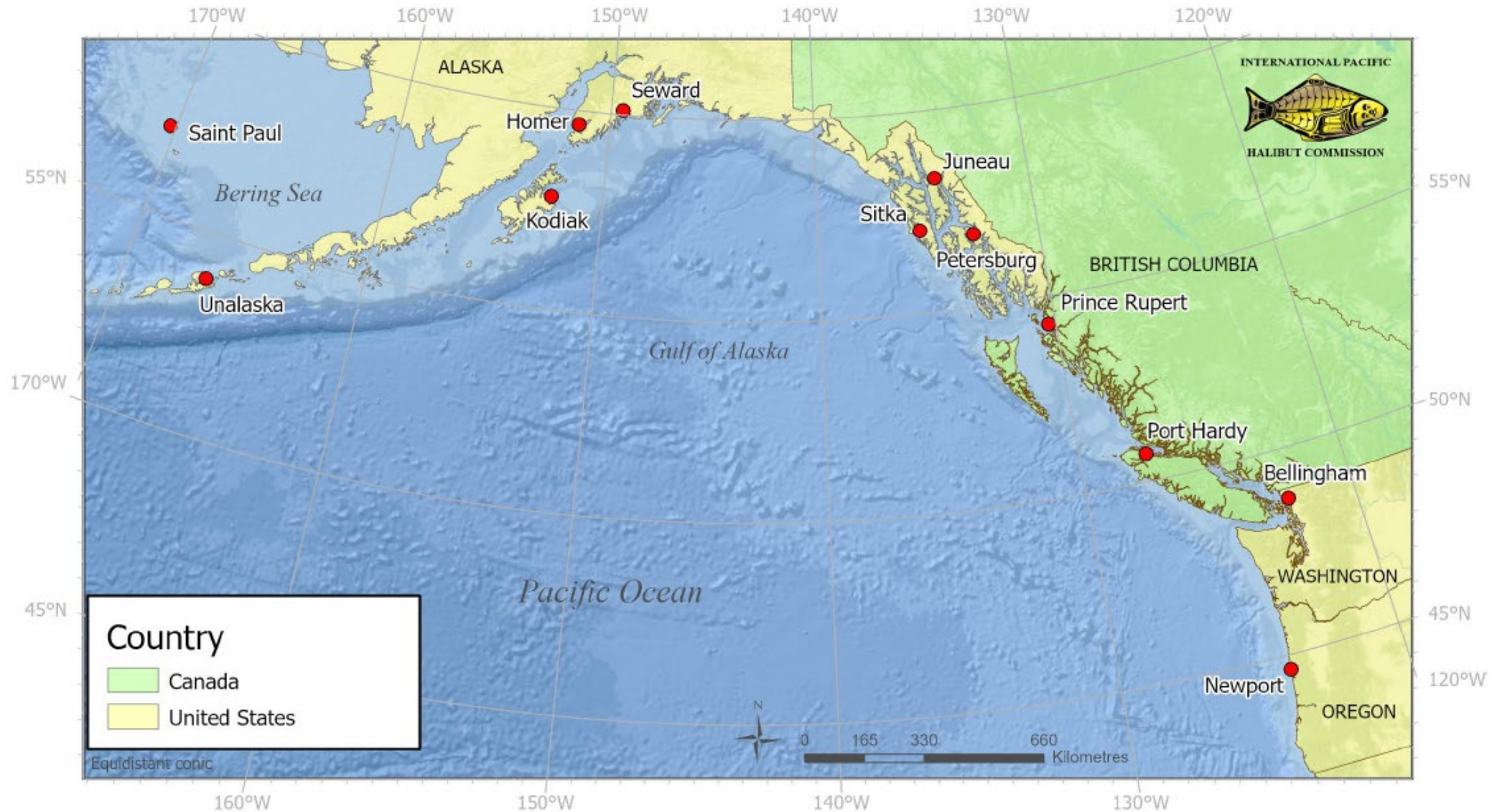


Data Collection Entities in 2024

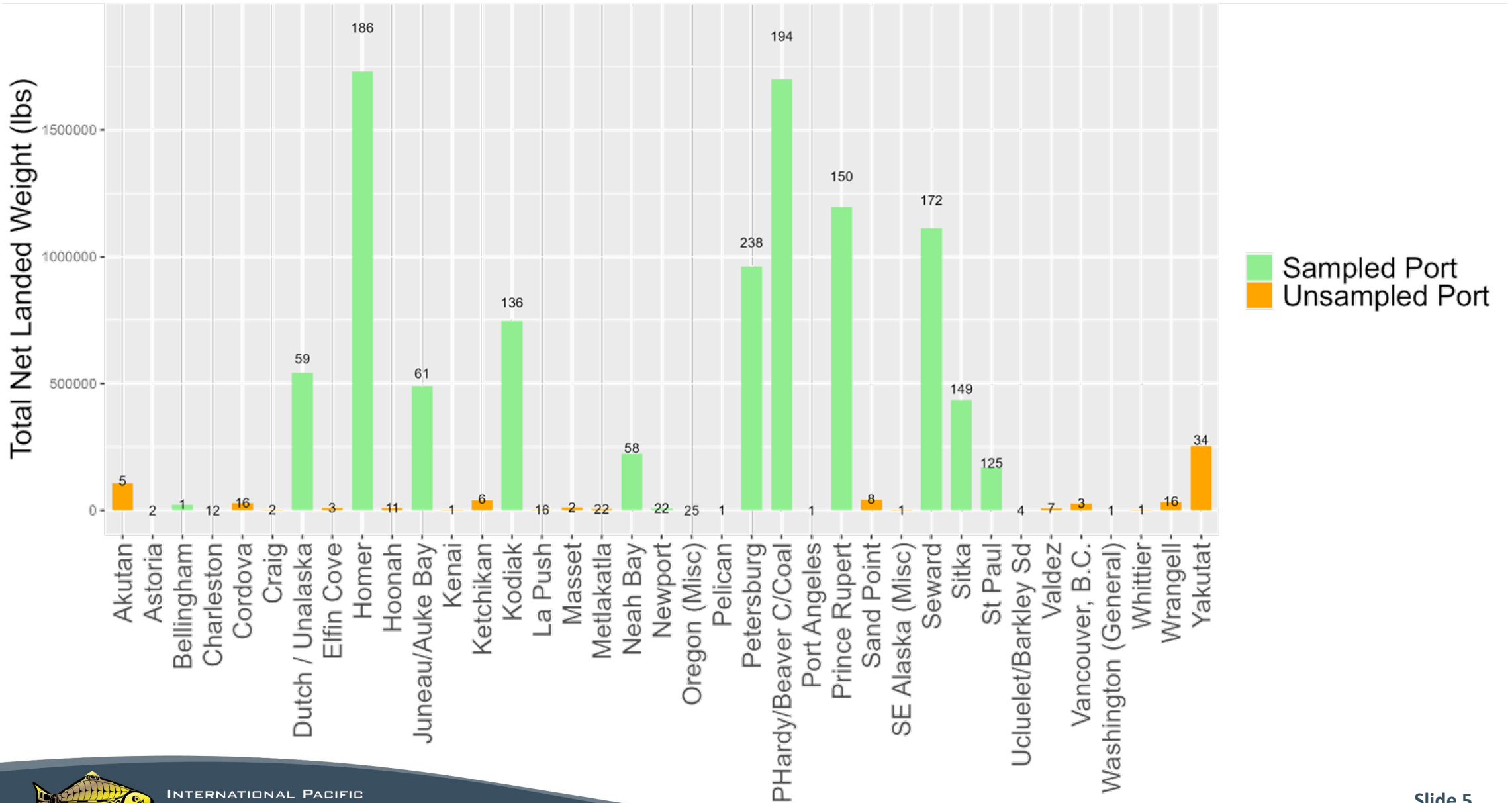
- Fisheries Data Specialist (Field) in 2 Canadian Ports and 8 Alaskan Ports
- IPHC HQ Secretariat
 - Newport, Oregon - IPHC Regulatory Area 2A directed commercial openers
 - Bellingham, Washington - IPHC Regulatory Area 3A, 3B and 2A commercial landings
- IPHC Regulatory Area 2A Tribal Directed Commercial Data collected by Treaty Tribes of Washington State
 - 9 Washington Treaty Tribes attended training
 - IPHC HQ Secretariat assisted in Neah Bay, WA.
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
 - Collected and mailed-in logbook data



IPHC Fishery-Dependent Data Collection Ports in 2024



Sampled Ports in 2024



Data Collected in 2024

Data collected as of 17 October 2024; collections ongoing

IPHC Regulatory Area	Otoliths collected	Percent of Target Minimum	Percent Landed
2A	748	50%	87.7%
2B	1208	81%	82.1%
2C	1200	80%	68.7%
3A	958	64%	65.6%
3B	1124	75%	79.5%
4A	826	55%	50.3%
4B	324	22%	24.7%
4CDE	447	30%	35.3%
COAC	41	-	-
TOTAL	6876		

Port	2024 Verified Logbooks Collected by Field Staff
Dutch Harbor	61
Homer	167
Juneau	69
Kodiak	130
Port Hardy	159
Petersburg	265
Prince Rupert	123
Seward	152
Sitka	143
St Paul	125
TOTAL	1394

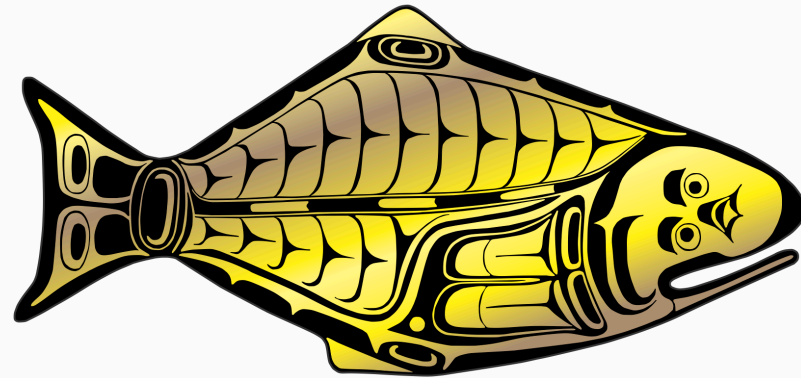


Results

- 2024 fishery dependent data collection is still underway
- Data processed prior to 30 October of this year will be used in 2024 the Pacific halibut stock assessment
- Data processed after 30 October of this year will be used in the following year's stock assessment
- Commercial biological and catch data interactives including 2024 fishery limits reports which are updated bi-monthly can be found at this link <https://www.iphc.int/data/>



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