## SWQAG May 2020

#### **Summary**

### Under-10m

- Landings and vessel activity significantly reduced compared to this time last year except for Cod and Sole.
- Cod uptake is similar to this point last year but at 65% of available quota.
- Some trawlers are discarding. Catch limit likely to stay at 25kg.
- Sole 7e some vessels fishing close to catch limit, Increase catch limit to 1t or more in June?
- Haddock only 4t uptake to date but increase in catch limit requested to 3t.
- Skates and Rays, Plaice, Whiting sufficient quota to maintain catch limits higher than needed

#### Over-10m

- Increased uptake compared to 2019 for Anglerfish, Plaice and Sole.
- Sole catch limits are restrictive but I'm not sure I can provide more quota yet.

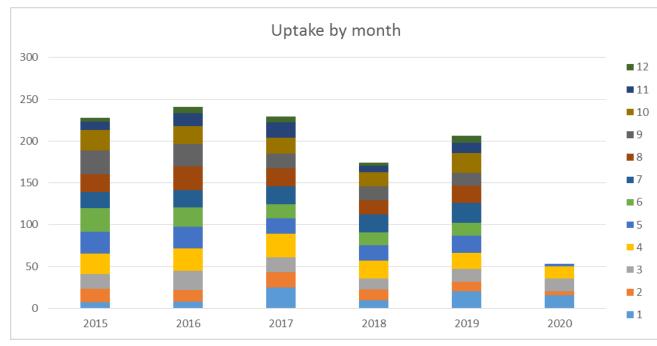
## English landings comparison with this time in 2019 (effects of COVID)

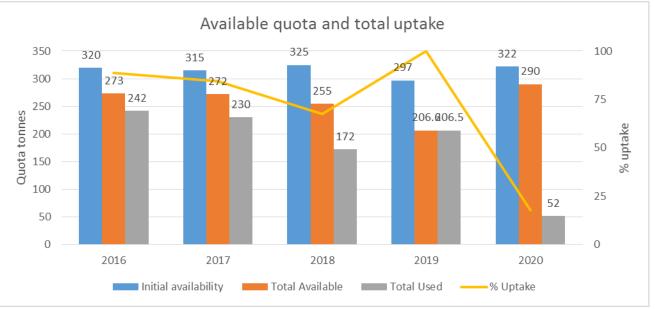
- See last slide for new data provided by MMO Stats.
- Significant reductions in landings, value and trips for English vessels except for pelagics where there has been an increase in Pilchard landings into Brixham and NS Mackerel by Grimsby registered vessels.

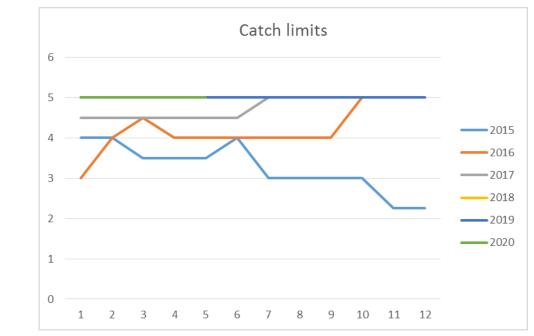
## Trading

I am continuing to make trades in key stocks such as 7e sole to ensure sufficient quota if needed when effects of COVID are reduced.

**Under 10m Anglerfish - VII** 







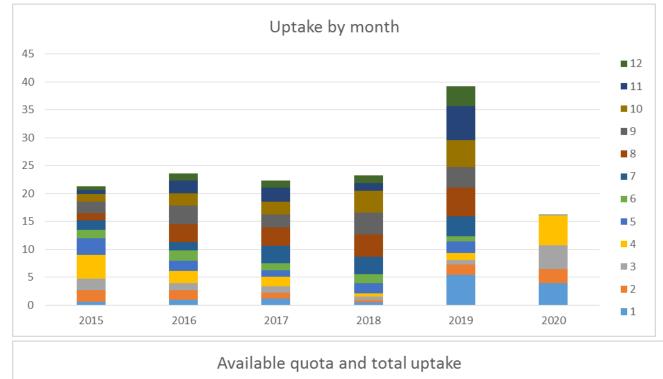
Max individual uptake 0.8t in May.

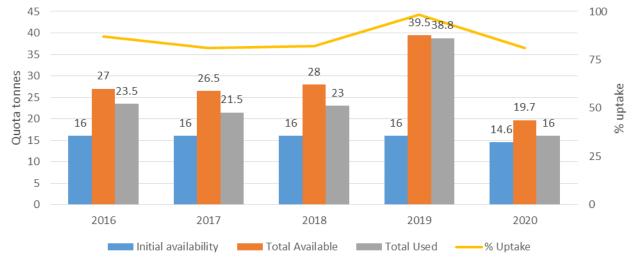
Overall uptake is down 30t compared to 2019.

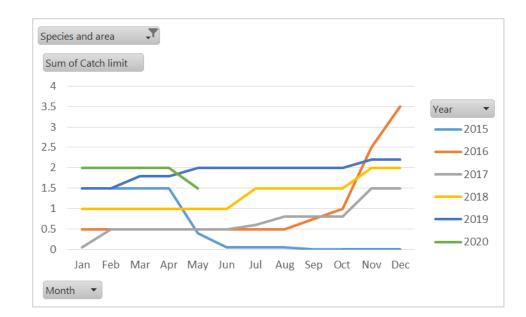
No change to catch limit needed.

Safe to trade up to 90t.

#### **Over-10m Anglerfish - VII**





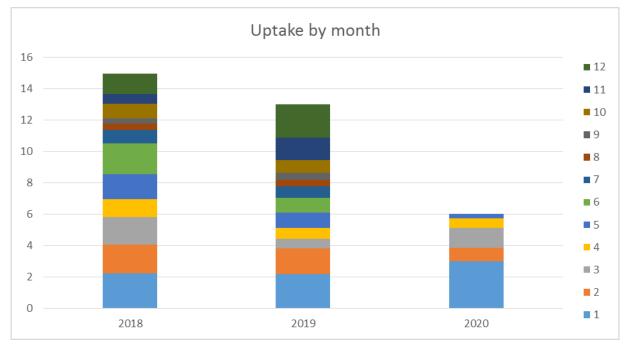


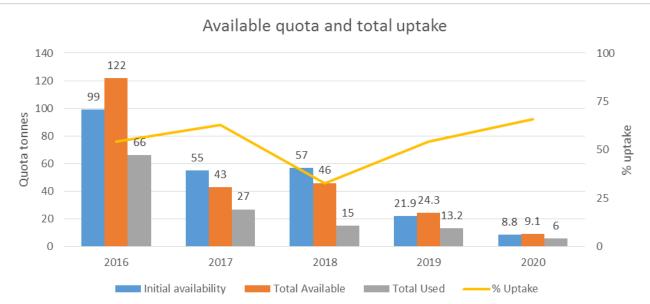
### Max uptake 2.5t in April.

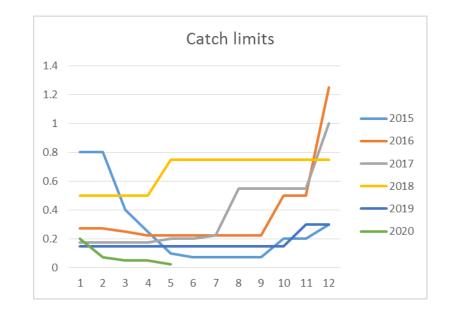
Reduction in catch limits due to high uptake but can be raised again.

Can support from U10s but with caution.

Under-10m Cod VII b-k exc.d

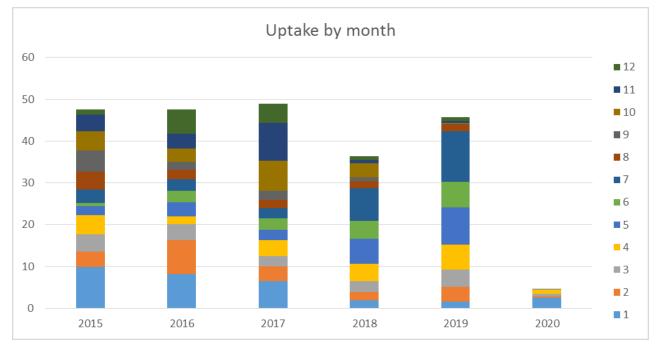


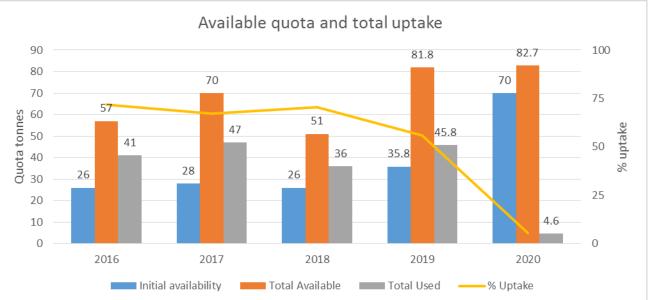




- Uptake at 66%
- Based on 2019 uptake forecast is for 9t by November with 25kg catch limit.
- I have had reports of discarding to remain within catch limit.
- Over-10m uptake = 200kg with 100kg available.
  No landings since April.

#### Under-10m Haddock VII b-k



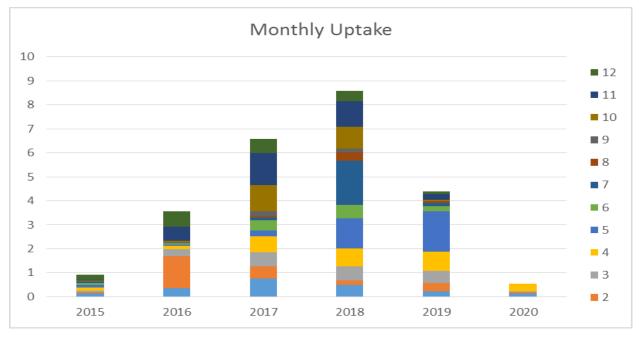


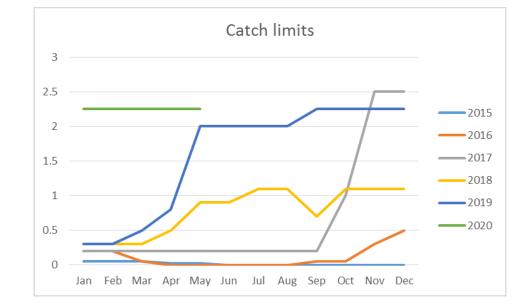


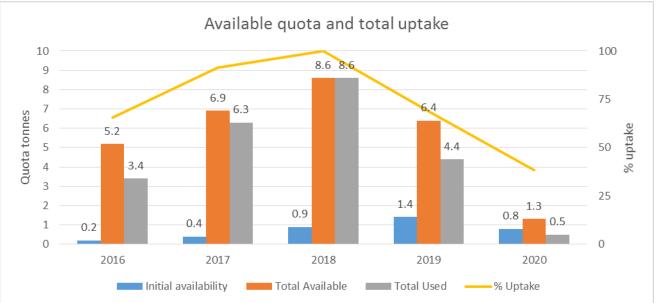
## Increase in catch limit requested for May

#### Increase to 3t, more if needed.

#### **Over-10m Haddock VII b-k**

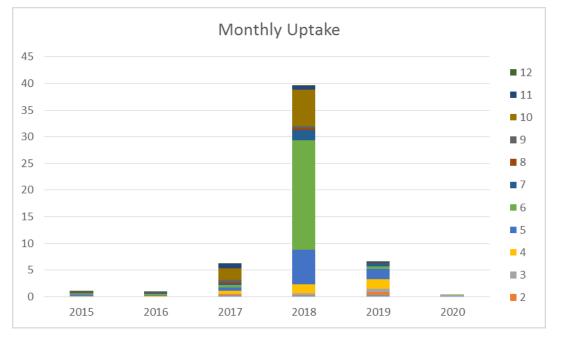




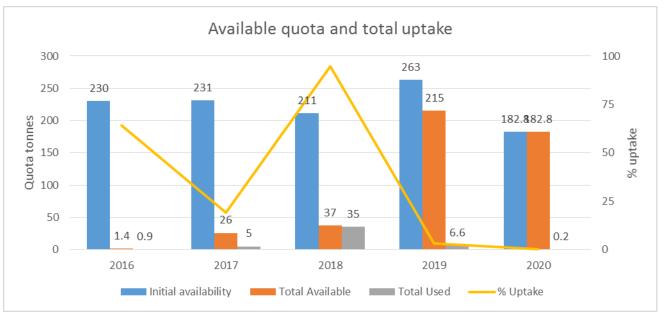


#### Will trade in from U10s if needed

#### **Under-10m Hake Western**



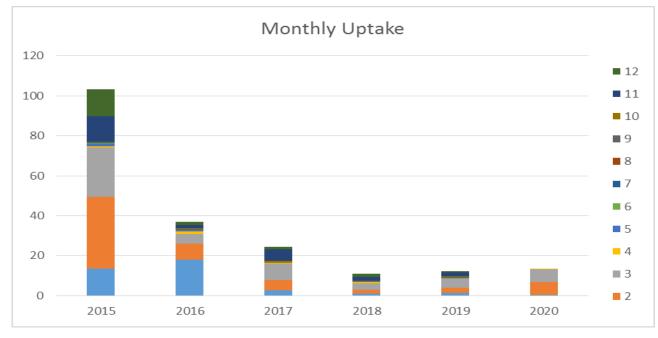


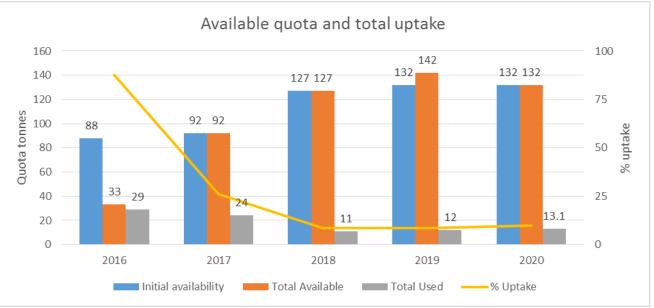


### Catch limit can be unlimited if needed?

UK uptake at 10% with 11,000t remaining.

### **Under-10m Herring VIIe-f**

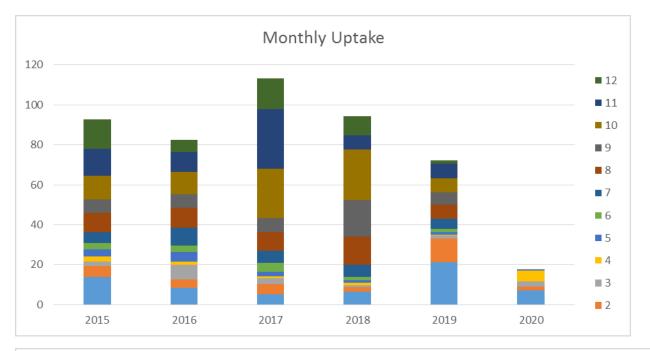


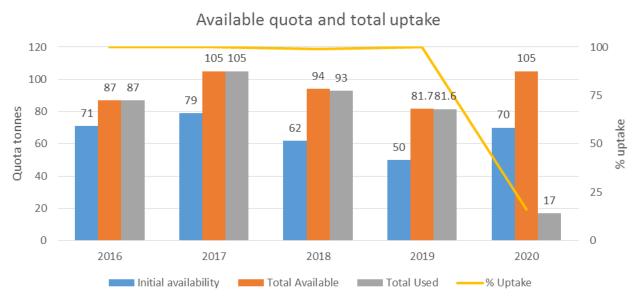




### Sufficient quota and catch limit

#### **Under-10m Western Mackerel**



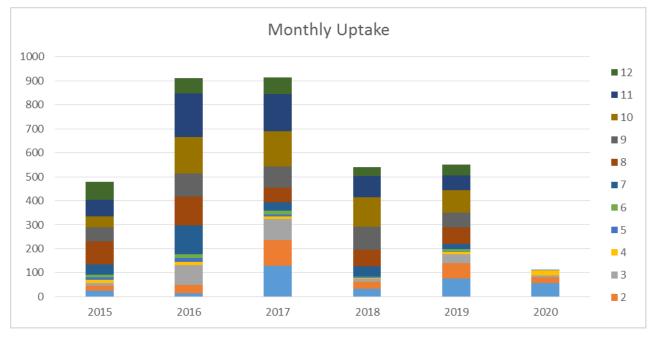


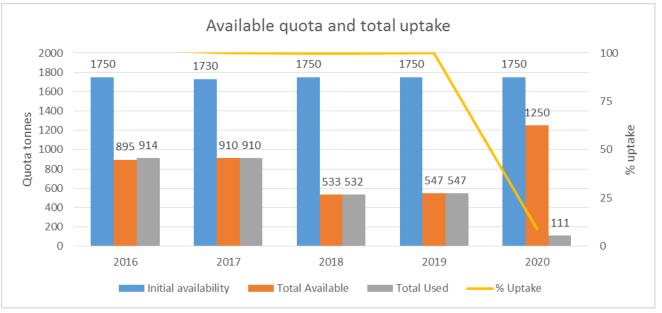


Happy with 2t catch limit?

O10 uptake = 0.1t O10 catch limit = 1t, this can be increased if needed.

#### **Mackerel Hand-line**





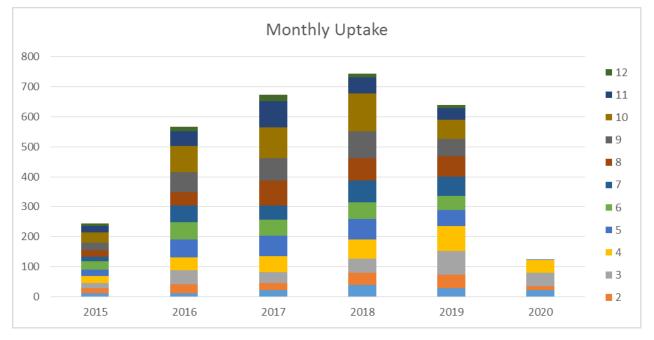
Apparently the catches were good in April for those who were fishing.

Safe to trade out a further 250t?

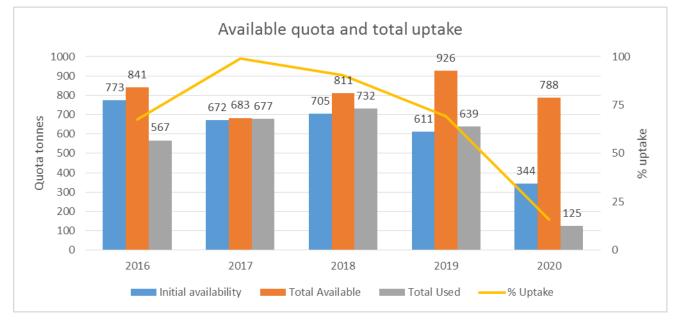
I had a request to extend this allocation to 7d. But the person requesting it has not followed up with any more information regarding potential landings.

Are you content for me to support U10 and O10 trawlers and netters from handline allocation?

### Under-10m Plaice VII d/e



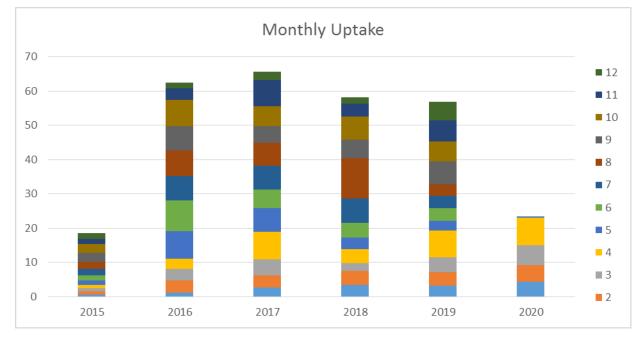


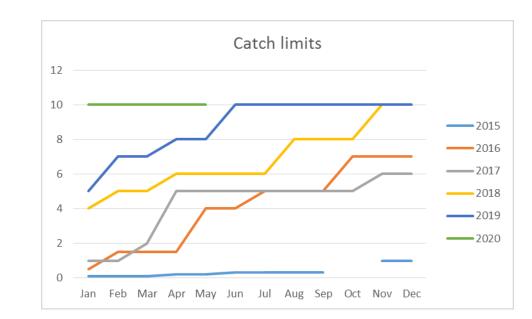


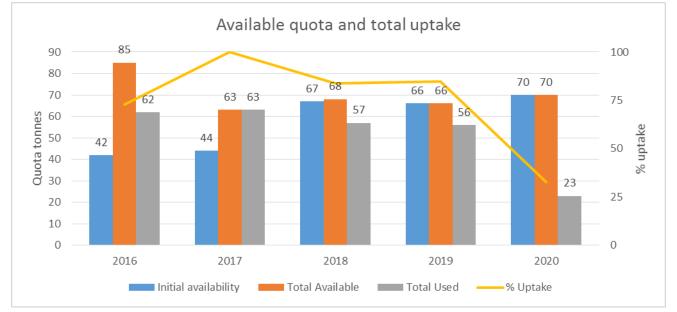
Max landing April = 8t, May = 1t

Overall uptake down ~50% on 2019

#### **Over-10m Plaice VII d-e**







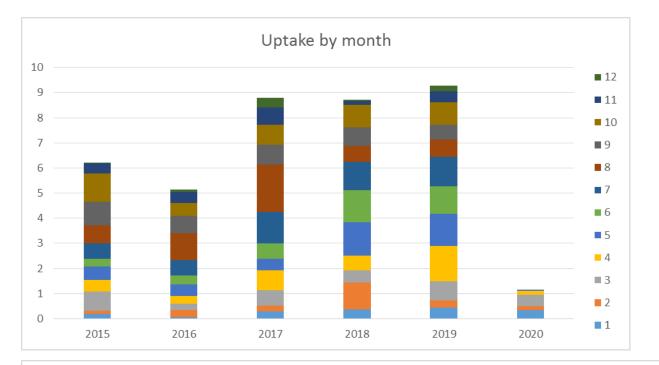
Max landing April = 4.5t, May = 2.5t

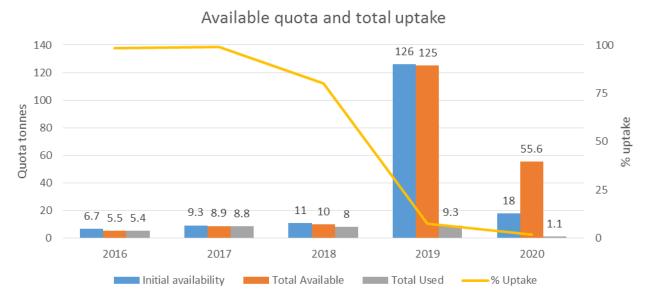
No. of active vessels down 25%.

Catch limits are ample.

Can trade in additional quota if needed.

## **Under-10m Plaice VII f/g**

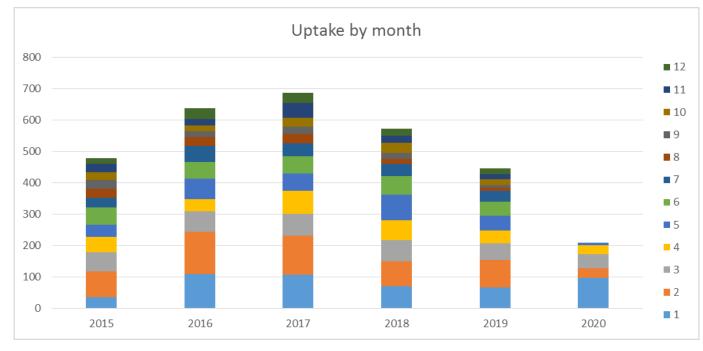


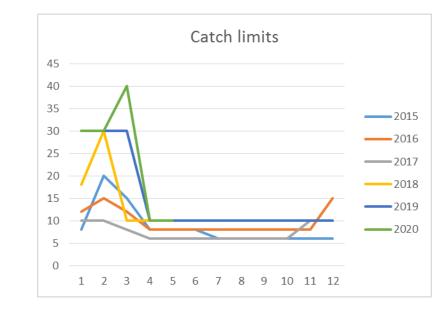




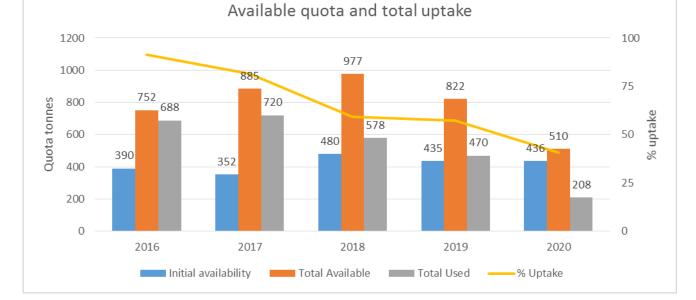
### Sufficient quota and catch limit.

### Under-10m Pollack VI/VII

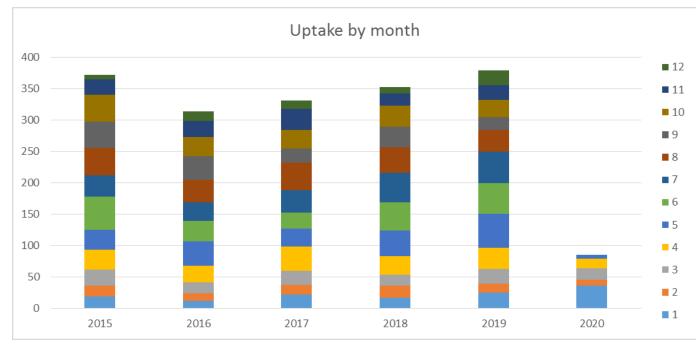


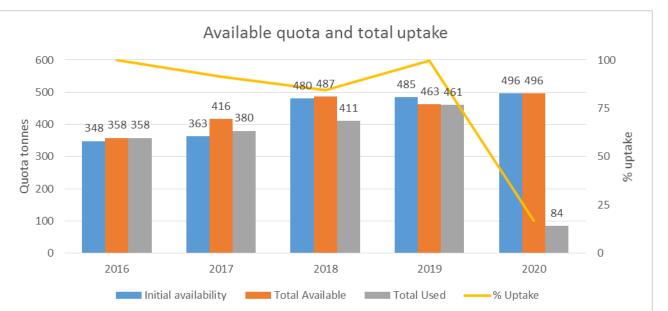


## Sufficient quota and catch limit.



### Under-10m Skates & Rays VI / VII





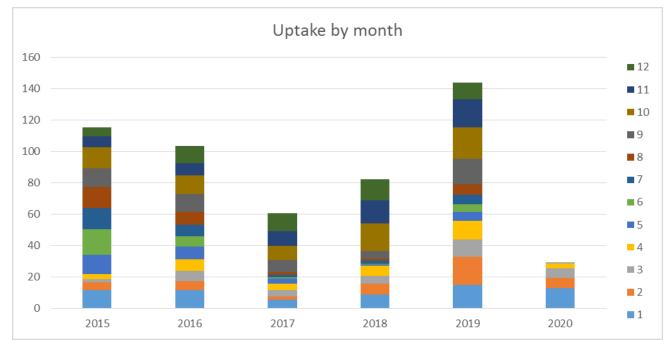


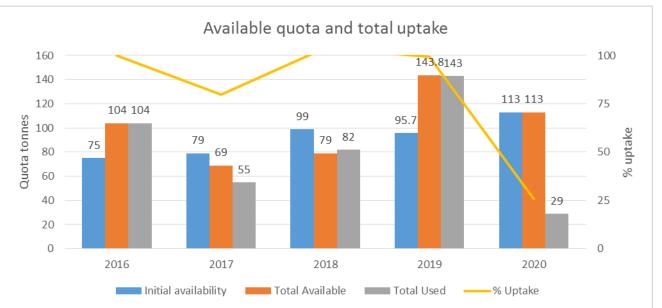
## Max landing all year 1.9t

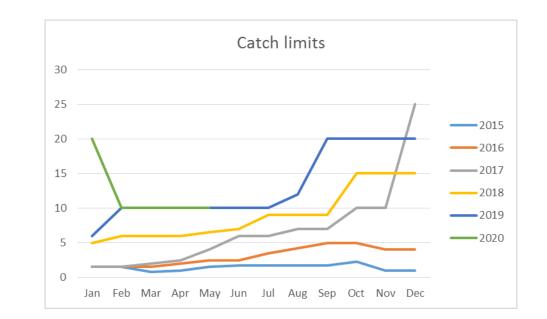
No. of vessels down 60% since January

Sufficient quota and catch limit.

### Over-10m Skates & Rays VI / VII



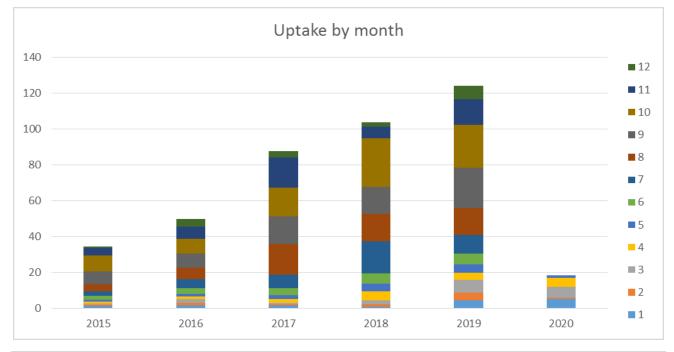


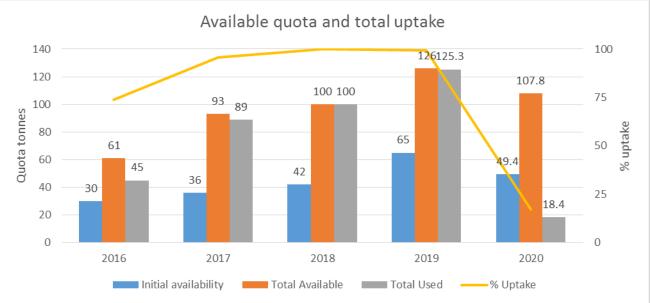


Uptake down 50% on this time last year.

Catches limits and quota are sufficient at present.

#### Under-10m Sole VIIe







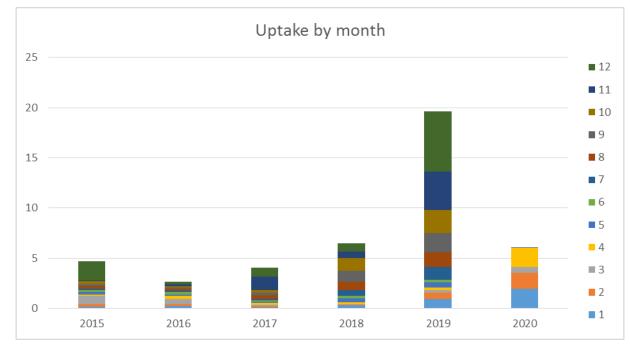
May 2019 = 24t May 2020 = 18t

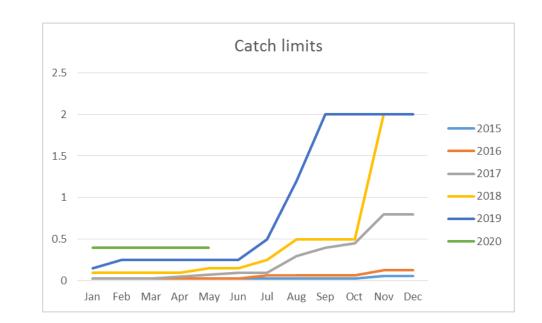
2 vessels approaching/at catch limit in April / May.

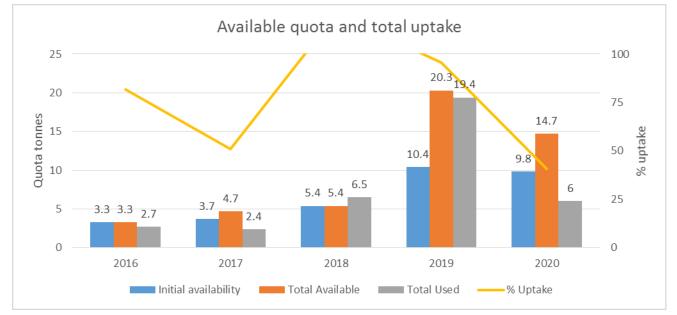
No. vessels down 80% compared to 2019

## Proposed increase to 1t for June?

Over-10m Sole VIIe



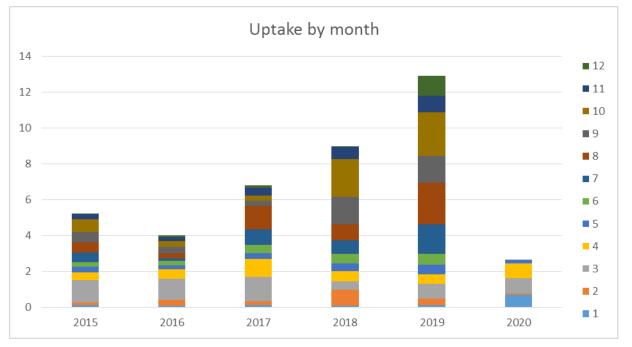


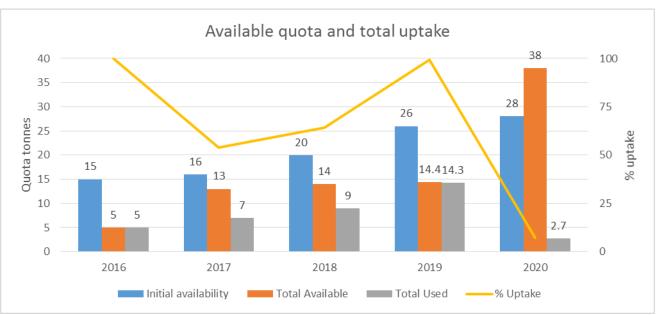


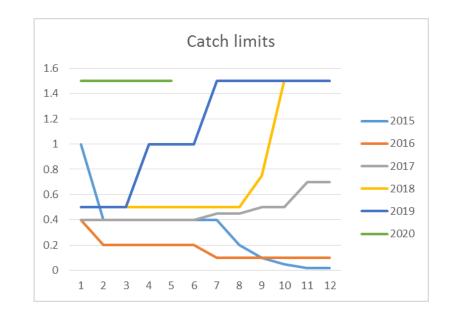
### Uptake double what it was at this point last year.

## Will monitor, no guarantee of trading more in.

Under-10m Sole VIIf-g





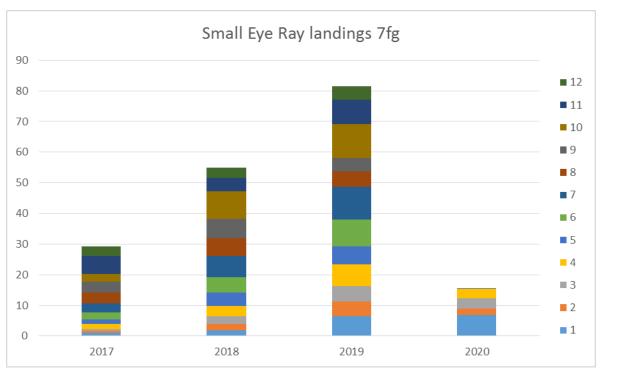


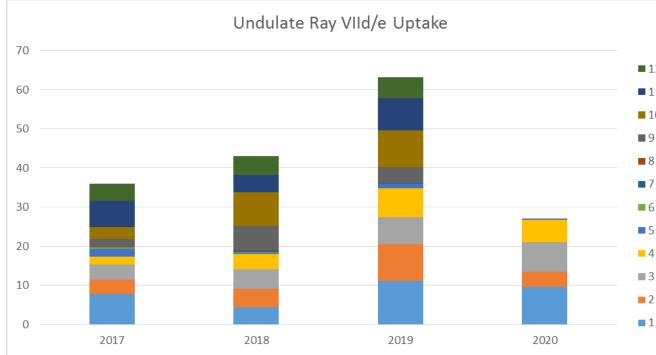
Uptake similar to this point last year.

Highest monthly landing 0.5t.

Please let me know if increase needed.

## UK Ray Stocks





- Catch limit 1.75t
- Catch limit can be increased but landings down to <0.5t in May</li>

• Catch limit 50kg per trip but currently closed till September.

# Effect of COVID-19 Restrictions Uptake Comparison March 2019 vs. March 2020 all English vessels

	Value (£'000s)			Quantity (t)		
English Vessels	2019	2020	Change	2019	2020	Change
u10m total	3,569	2,740	-23%	1,631	1,249	-23%
Demersal	1,074	607	-43%	379	250	-34%
Pelagic	92	61	-34%	122	130	6%
Shellfish	2,403	2,072	-14%	1,130	869	-23%
10-12m total	1,820	964	-47%	629	520	-17%
Demersal	452	287	-37%	186	118	-37%
Pelagic						
Shellfish	1,367	676	-51%	442	401	-9%
o12m total	14,261	14,670	3%	9,939	12,376	25%
Demersal	7,227	6,478	-10%	4,412	3,600	-18%
Pelagic	2,752	4,564	66%	3,713	6,901	86%
Shellfish	4,282	3,627	-15%	1,814	1,875	3%

- Value of landings has decreased more than tonnage.
- Pelagic landings have increased I presume this is not COVID related.
- Increase in total landings of Mackerel by Grimsby registered vessels and Pilchards by Brixham vessels.

Note this is Admin Port <u>not</u> landed port

	Value (£000's	s)		Quantity (ton	Quantity (tonnes)		Number of trips	s	
	2019	2020	Change	2019	2020	Change	2019	2020	Change
	62,717	46,563	-26%	70,942	59,027	-17%	13,272	8,906	-33%
	19,650	18,374	-6%	12,200	14,145	16%	7,646	5,415	-29%
Brixham	2,426	3,387	40%	936	1,353	45%	757	634	-169
Fleetwood	516	324	-37%	282	277	-2%	134	81	-40
Grimsby	4,642	6,002	29%	5,444	8,548	57%	275	171	-38
Hastings	1,484	1,701	15%	741	680	-8%	1,636	1,264	-23
Lowestoft	385	384	0%	289	302	4%	472	385	-18
Newlyn	2,594	2,198	-15%	1,039	1,146	10%	1,174	702	-40
North Shields	2,340	1,616	-31%	892	619	-31%	973	662	-32
Plymouth	3,161	1,380	-56%	1,598	526	-67%	627	419	-33
Poole	301	270	-10%	133	144	8%	536	407	-24
Scarborough	1,329	820	-38%	575	378	-34%	536	334	-38
Unknown	471	291	-38%	271	172	-36%	526	356	-32

## **Useful links**

Uptake Statistics <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/quota-use-statistics</u>

**Catch limits** 

Under-10m <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-catch-limits-10-metres-and-under-pool</u> Over-10m <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-catch-limits-over-10-metre-non-sector-pool</u>

Trading

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fishing-quota-trading-and-swaps

Catch limit consultation (front page of MMO website during last 7-10 days of each month) <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/marine-management-organisation">https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/marine-management-organisation</a>