



**Small Boats. Big Ideas.**

# CAPE COD COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN'S ALLIANCE

Building a better future  
for fish and fishing

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A fisherman with a beard, wearing an orange jacket and a black beanie, is shown from the chest up, leaning over the side of a boat. He is holding a large, dark fish. The boat's deck is covered with several other large fish, including what appear to be cod. The background shows a cloudy sky and the side of the boat.

## WHO WE ARE

### **Small Boats**

Our members are small-scale, independent fishermen and family-owned fishing businesses.

### **Big Ideas**

Like the idea that a healthy marine environment is essential to a healthy fishing community.

### **For the Future of Fishing**

Working with scientists and at the policy table, we're building better ways to manage our fisheries.

### **Not for Profit**

We're about making local fishermen's voices heard.

### **Join Us**

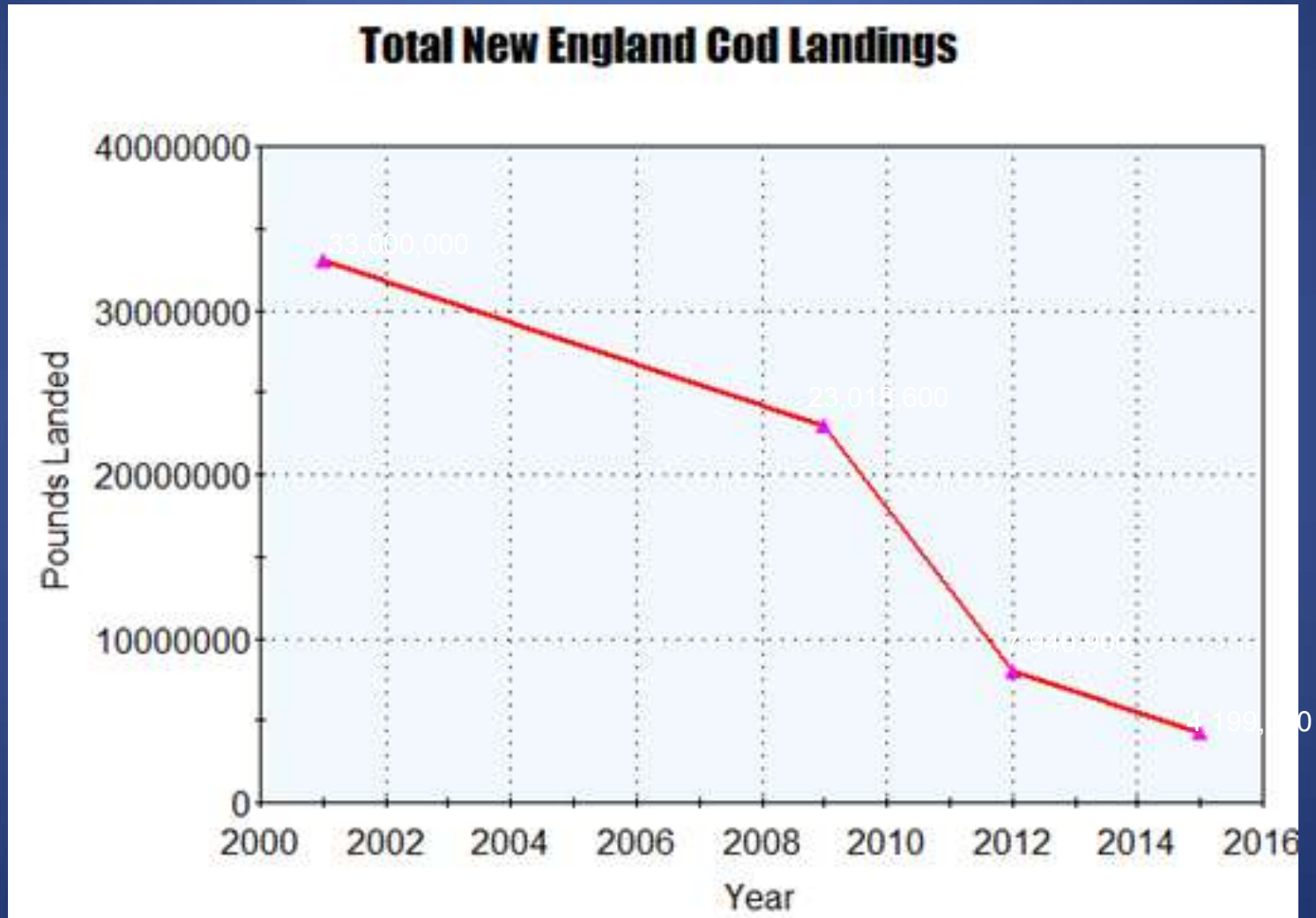
Support your local fish and fishermen. We can't sustain Cape Cod's vibrant fishing traditions without you.



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# Changes in Cod Fishery





# Cape Cod Fisheries



Blue Fin Tuna



Haddock



Conch



Skate



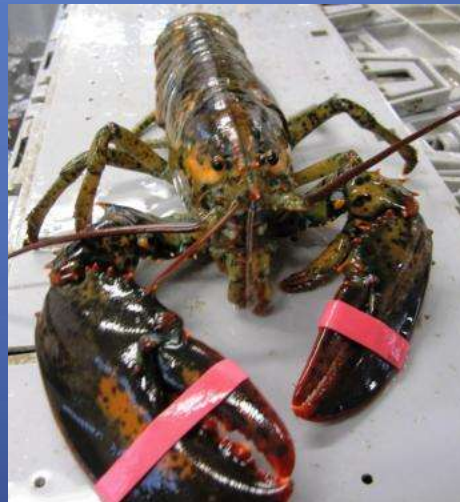
Striped Bass



Monkfish



Sea Scallops



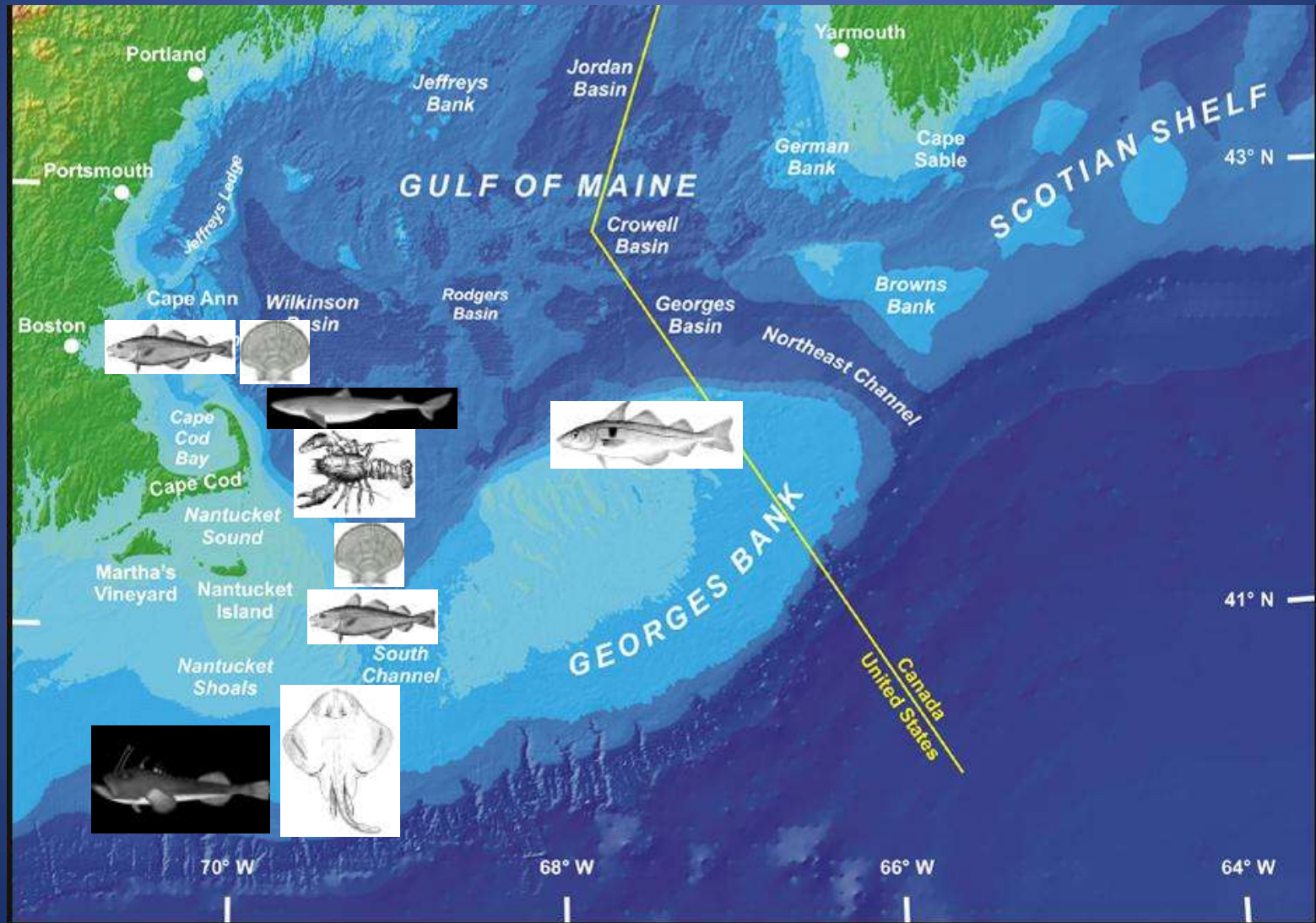
Lobster



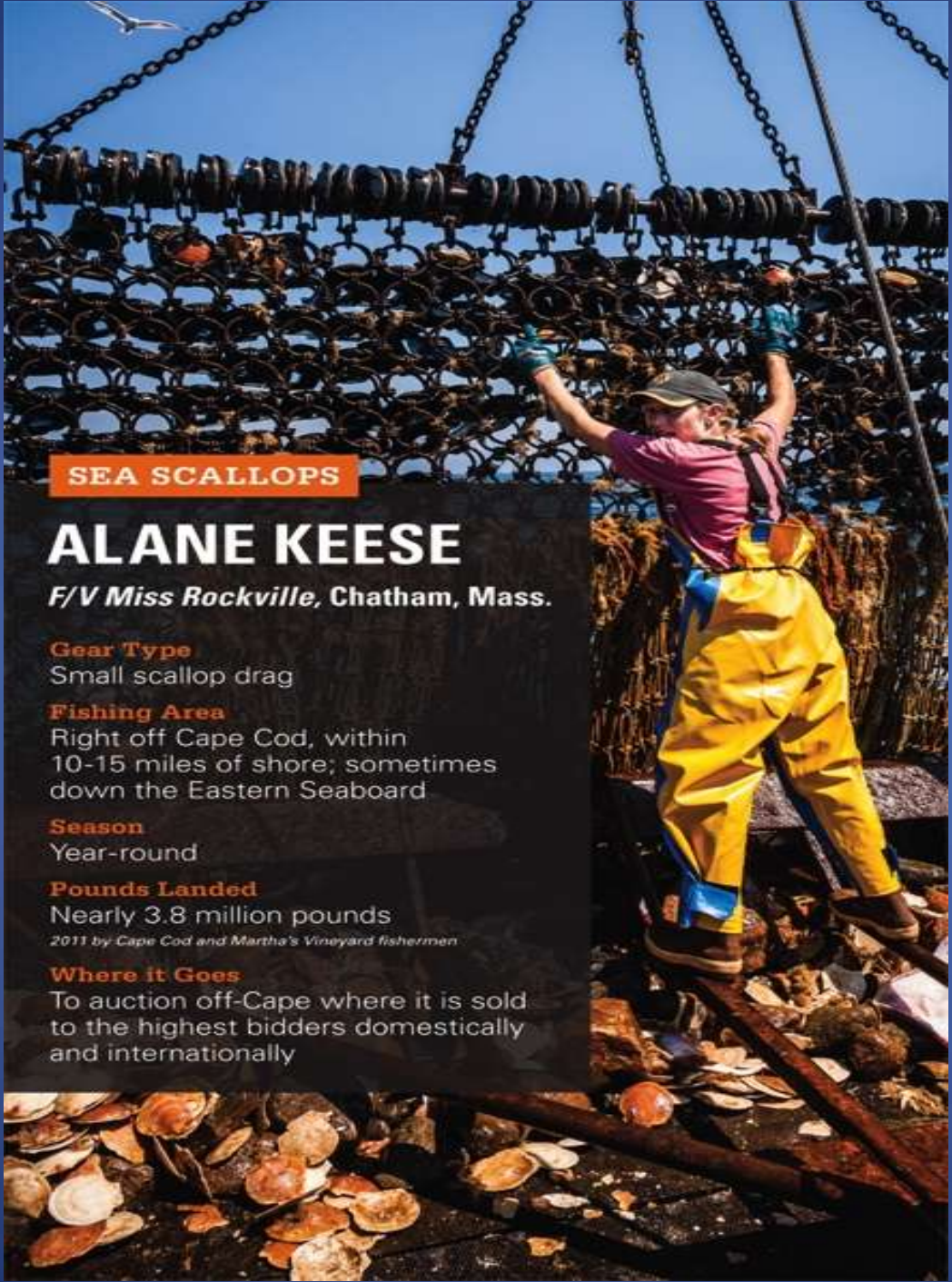
Dogfish



# Cape Cod Fishing Grounds





A fisherman wearing a pink shirt, yellow waders, and a cap is working on a large, complex metal scallop drag net. The net is suspended by chains and is covered in scallops. The fisherman is reaching up to adjust the net. The background is a clear blue sky with a seagull flying in the distance. The foreground shows a pile of harvested scallops on a wooden surface.

## SEA SCALLOPS

# ALANE KEESE

*F/V Miss Rockville, Chatham, Mass.*

### **Gear Type**

Small scallop drag

### **Fishing Area**

Right off Cape Cod, within 10-15 miles of shore; sometimes down the Eastern Seaboard

### **Season**

Year-round

### **Pounds Landed**

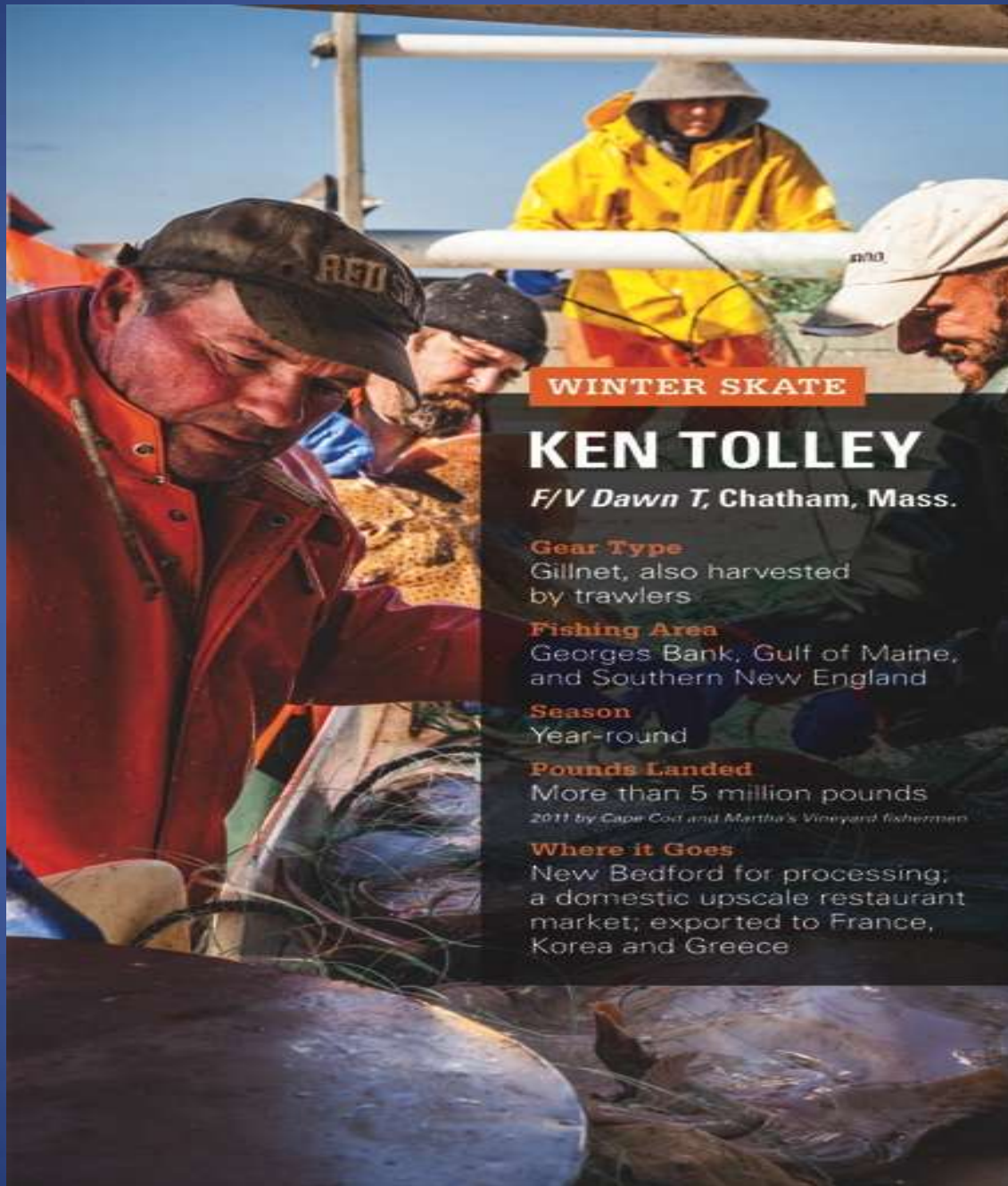
Nearly 3.8 million pounds

2011 by Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard fishermen

### **Where it Goes**

To auction off-Cape where it is sold to the highest bidders domestically and internationally





## WINTER SKATE

# KEN TOLLEY

*F/V Dawn T, Chatham, Mass.*

### **Gear Type**

Gillnet, also harvested by trawlers

### **Fishing Area**

Georges Bank, Gulf of Maine, and Southern New England

### **Season**

Year-round

### **Pounds Landed**

More than 5 million pounds

2011 by Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard fishermen

### **Where it Goes**

New Bedford for processing; a domestic upscale restaurant market; exported to France, Korea and Greece





## LOBSTER

# KURT MARTIN

*F/V Time Bandit, Chatham, Mass.*

### **Gear Type**

Pots, also called traps

### **Fishing Area**

Off the backside of Cape Cod, within 30 miles of shore; also Cape Cod Bay and Gulf of Maine

### **Season**

Mid-April through December

### **Pounds Landed**

Nearly 2.4 million pounds

2011 by Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard fishermen

### **Where it Goes**

Used locally and shipped all over the world





**COD**

## **ERIC HESSE**

*F/V Tenacious II, Barnstable, Mass.*

### **Gear Type**

Longline, also harvested by hand lines, gillnets and trawlers

### **Fishing Area**

Georges Bank and Gulf of Maine

### **Season**

Year-round

### **Pounds Landed**

More than 1 million pounds

2011 by Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard fishermen

### **Where it Goes**

To auction off-Cape; Cape Cod and New England are strongest buyers; much fish from Cape Cod goes to high-end restaurants





SEA CLAM

## SCOTT AND SON MAX NOLAN

*F/V Goody Hallet, Eastham, Mass.*

**Gear Type**

Hydraulic clam dredges

**Fishing Area**

Nantucket Shoals

**Season**

Year-round

**Pounds Landed**

Nearly 3.5 million pounds

2013 by Massachusetts fishermen

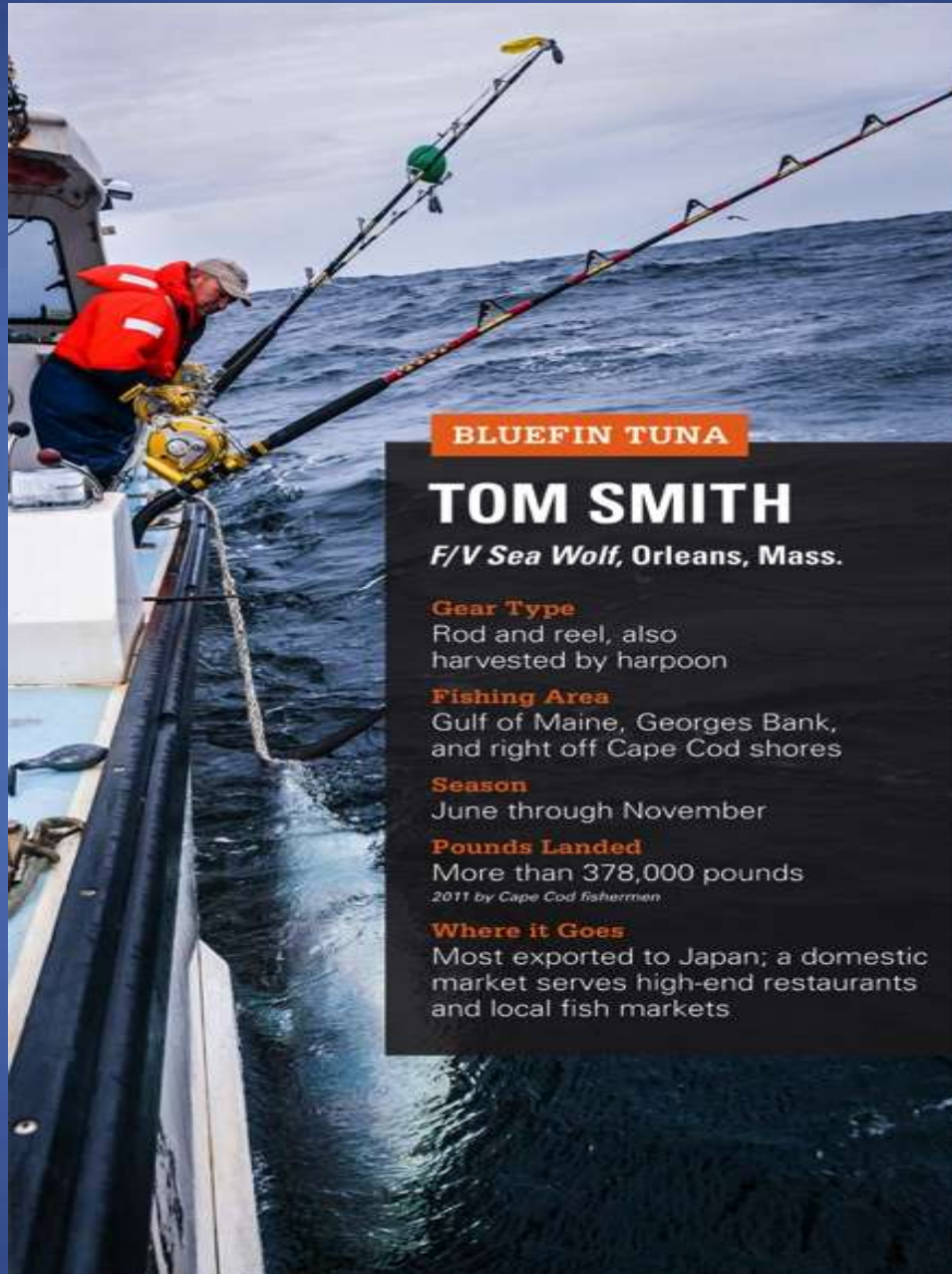
**Where It Goes**

Processed in Gloucester and New Bedford into chopped clams and clam strips. Asian markets are developing for whole, live clams. Eaten domestically and internationally.

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## BLUEFIN TUNA

# TOM SMITH

*F/V Sea Wolf, Orleans, Mass.*

### **Gear Type**

Rod and reel, also harvested by harpoon

### **Fishing Area**

Gulf of Maine, Georges Bank, and right off Cape Cod shores

### **Season**

June through November

### **Pounds Landed**

More than 378,000 pounds

2011 by Cape Cod fishermen

### **Where it Goes**

Most exported to Japan; a domestic market serves high-end restaurants and local fish markets



# Alliance Impacts 2015

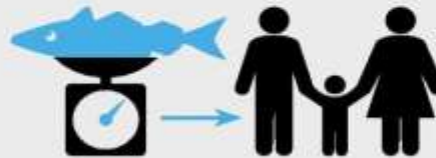


## Meet the Fleet

We educated **719 people** about fishing on Cape Cod through our Meet the Fleet and Dish on Fish events.

## "Fish for Families"

Our fishermen members distributed **12,000 pounds of seafood to more than 7,000 families** in need through our Fish for Families Program.

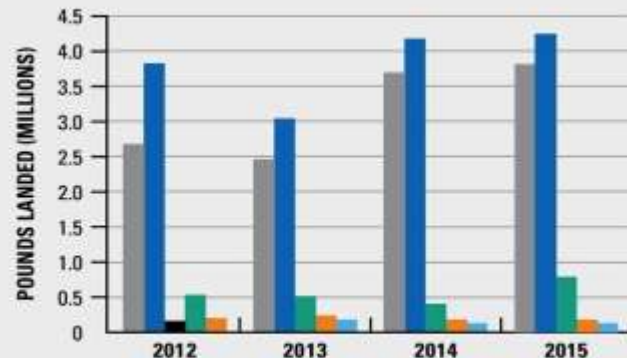


## Real Savings

Cape Cod fishermen **saved \$552,000** in leasing fees to fish for scallops, groundfish and sea clams.

## Fresh Seafood

The **Fixed Gear Sector** delivered fresh seafood to your plate throughout the year.



NOTE: 2015 IS CONSIDERED MAY 2014 THROUGH APRIL 2015 / SOURCE: NOAA FISHERIES SERVICE

## Economy Boost

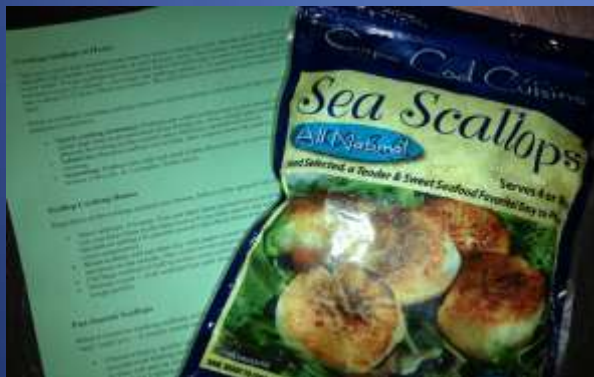
We **added \$2.7 million** to the Cape Cod economy in seafood landings, under the Cape Cod Fisheries Trust program.





# Fish for Families 2013-2016

- We put **seven** different types of seafood, totaling more than **30,000 pounds**, on the tables of pantry clients.
- We made nearly **85,000** servings of healthy, locally-caught seafood available to **20,000** families in need.
- We **expanded** seafood distribution from **one to seven** pantries across Cape Cod.























# — Meet the — **FLEET**

**Meet Jamie & Jeffrey Eldredge**

**Father/Son Fishermen from Chatham**

**LAST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH**

1566 Main Street, Chatham

5:30-7:00 PM

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# Thank you

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