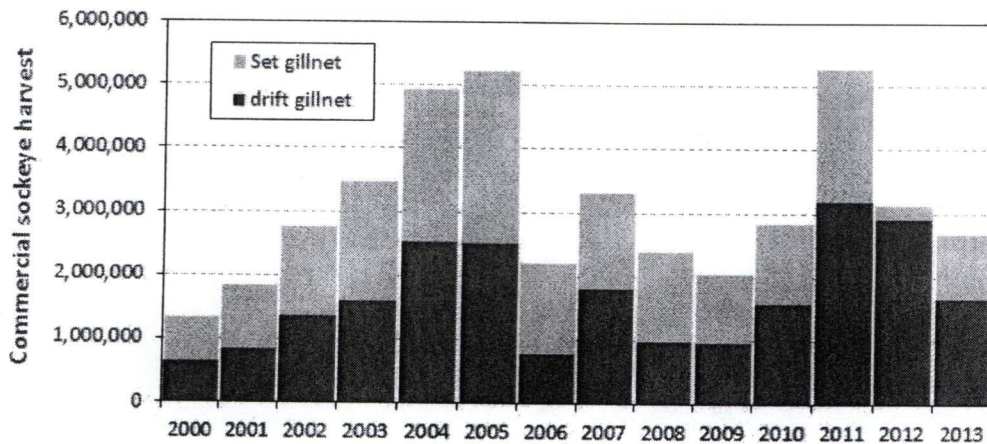


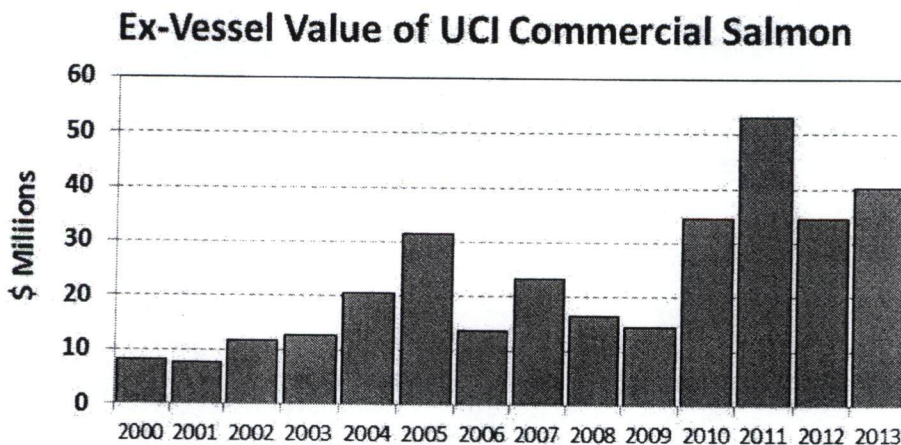
**EFFECTS OF THE EXPANDED KENAI AND KASILOF SECTIONS
ON THE DRIFT NET FISHERY 2011-2013**

How did implementation of the Expanded Drift Terminal Harvest Area beginning in 2011 impact the success of the drift net fishery?

- The drift net fishery has had some of its most successful run of seasons in over a decade.
- In 2011, use of the expanded sections enabled the fishery to take full advantage of a very large Kenai sockeye run.
- In 2012, use of the expanded terminal sections enabled the fishery to take the large majority of the harvestable surplus of sockeye.
- In 2013, use of the expanded sections enabled the fishery to take over 60% of the UCI commercial sockeye harvest.



- Ex-vessel values of the UCI salmon harvest during the last three years have been more than double the recent average.
- The large majority of these were received by the drift net fishery due to setnet fishery limitations for king protection.



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How effective were the expanded drift terminal harvest areas for harvesting sockeye?

- Substantial numbers of sockeye were harvested in this area in all three years.

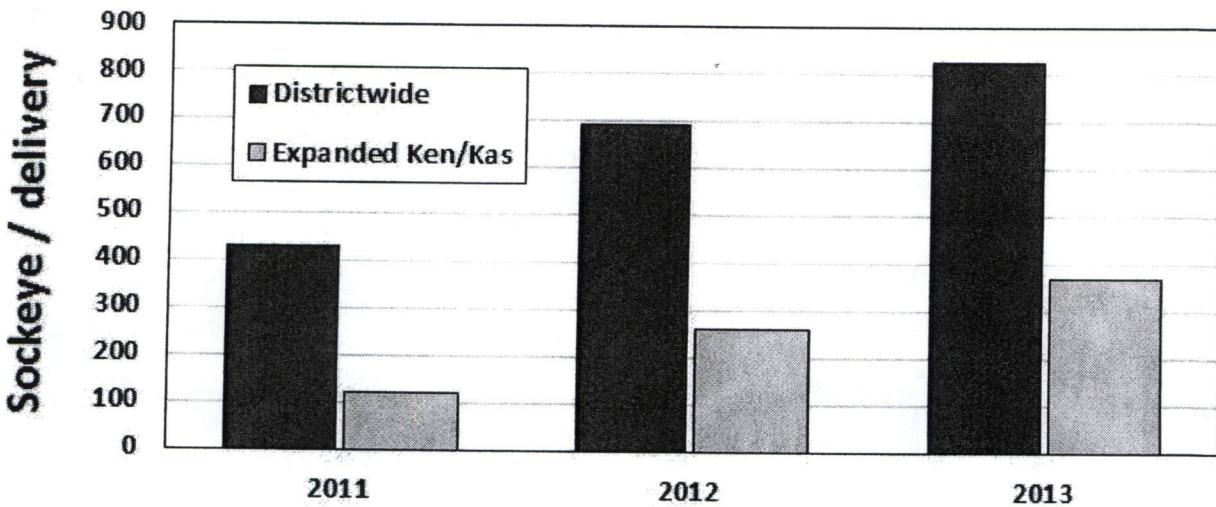
Drift Net Fishery Harvest of Sockeye by Fishing Area

Year	Districtwide ^a	Kasilof section Number	Kasilof terminal Number	Expanded Kenai/Kasilof	
	Number			Number	% of total
2011	2,262,108	8,808	0	930,119	29%
2012	2,337,161	176	0	586,803	25%
2013	1,313,908	12,634	2,995	333,012	20%

^a Includes district wide and combined area and expanded section openers.

- Sockeye catch per deliver is reduced in the expanded corridor.
- Numbers can potentially be compensated by fishing.

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Does the expanded drift terminal harvest area focus harvest on Kenai sockeye?

- The answer to this question remains unknown.
- Genetic data has been collected but has not been published by the Department.

How did the expanded drift terminal harvest area affect coho catches?

- Large numbers of coho were not harvested in this area.

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Year	Districtwide ^a	Kasilof section Number	Kasilof terminal Number	Expanded Kenai/Kasilof	
	Number			Number	% of total
2011	33,201	8	0	7,170	17%
2012	66,884	0	0	7,002	9%
2013	170,480	27	49	11,320	6%

^a Includes district wide and combined area and expanded section openers.

- Coho catch delivery is very low in the expanded drift terminal harvest area.

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