



Ministerie van Economische Zaken

Seabass

Interim measures in the NL

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Considerations

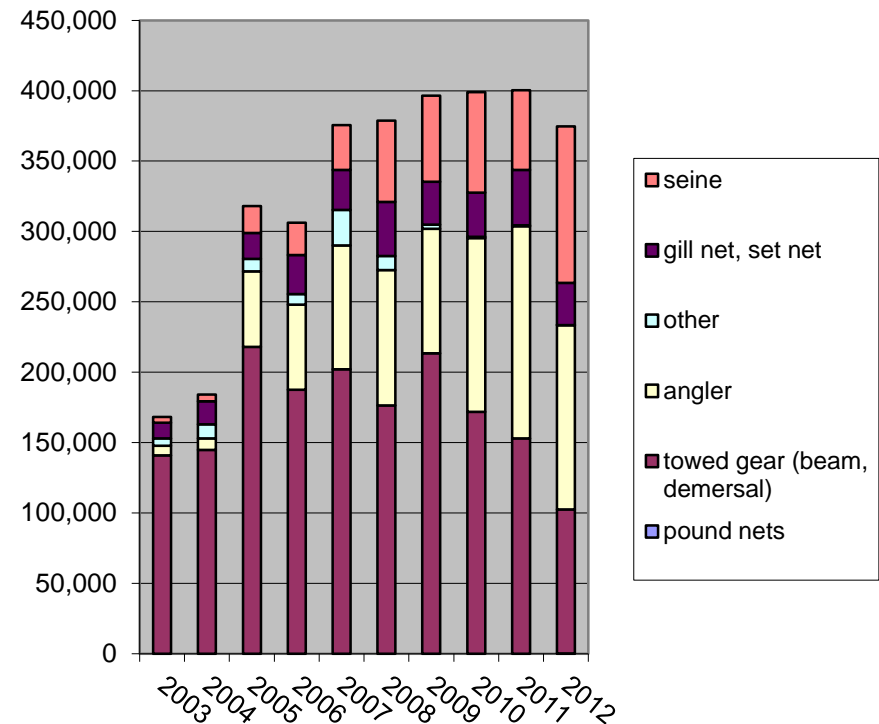
- deplorable state, action is needed
- Objective = MSY (but 2015 not realistic)
- Prefer technical measures >> TAC
- Immediate action necessary, meanwhile: prepare for long term recovery + management: two step approach
- Level playing field, proportionality
- Joint approach / regional





Observations

- NL approx. 9-10% of EU catches
- > 2000 increase by small scale hand liners and flyshooters
- Catches by beamtrawls declining
- Considerable share recreational fisheries
- Excesses occurred by pelagic or pair trawlers in past and beam trawlers in recent past
- 0-survivability by-catch





National measures (NL)

- No pair trawling in area VIIId Sep – Dec
- A monthly cap on the landings of sea bass of 5,000 kg per vessel.
- increase MLS from 36 cm to 42 cm for recreational and professional anglers
- A bag limit of 20 kg or 25 specimens of cod and seabass (already in place)
- Cap on small scale anglers fleet