

# 2025 Florida Gulf Red Snapper & GAJ Update

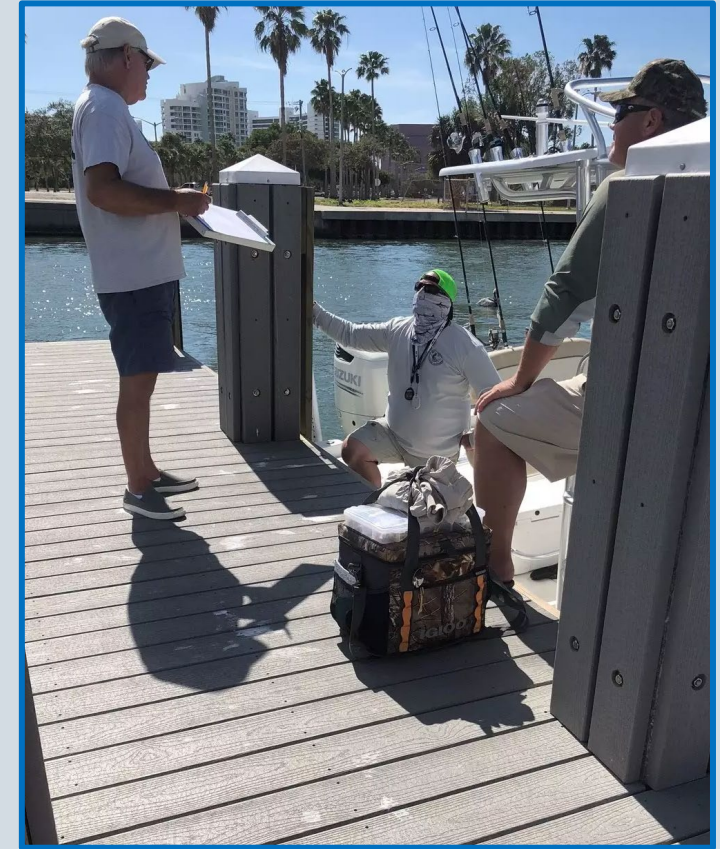


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# Florida State Reef Fish Survey (SRFS)

- Replaced the Gulf Reef Fish Survey in July 2020
- Required for all fishers (Gulf and Atlantic) targeting or harvesting **13** reef fish species from a private vessel
  - Annual no-cost designation
- Two survey components
  - Mail survey (monthly) & dockside interviews
  - Supplemented with MRIP angler interviews
- Not designed for “real-time” monitoring like other states
  - Not feasible for FL due to numerous access points and larger amount of anglers



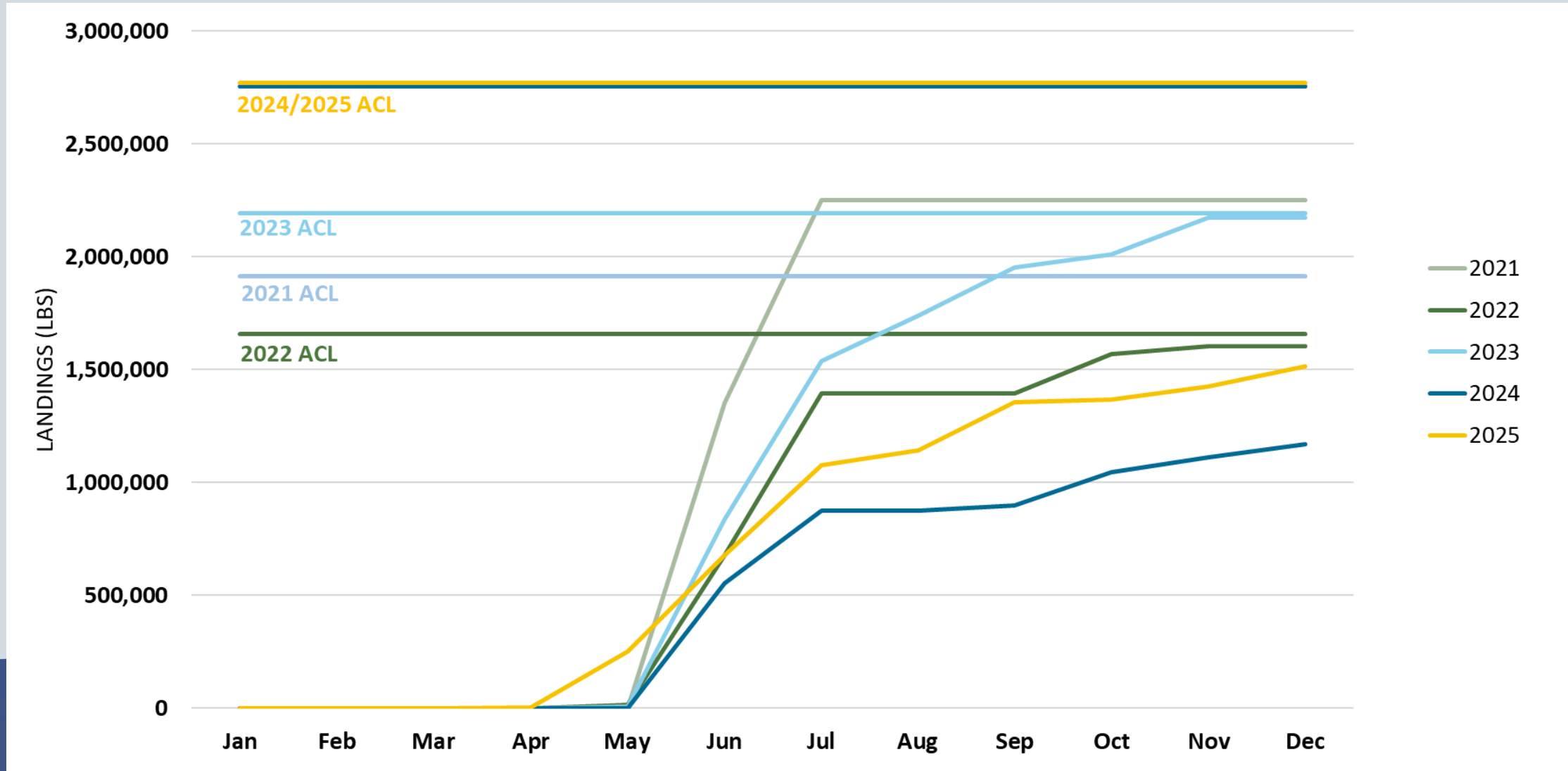
# 2025 Florida Gulf Red Snapper Season

- 2025 quota: 2,769,631 lbs.
- 127 Days
- Summer: Memorial Day Weekend (May 24-26) & June 1-July 31
- Fall: September 1-14 and every 3-day weekend Sept. – Dec. plus Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years Eve
  - Sept. 1-14, 19-21, 26-28
  - Oct. 3-5, 10-12, 17-19, 24-26, 31
  - Nov. 1-2, 11, 14-16, 21-23, 27-30
  - Dec. 5-7, 12-14, 19-21, 25-28, 31

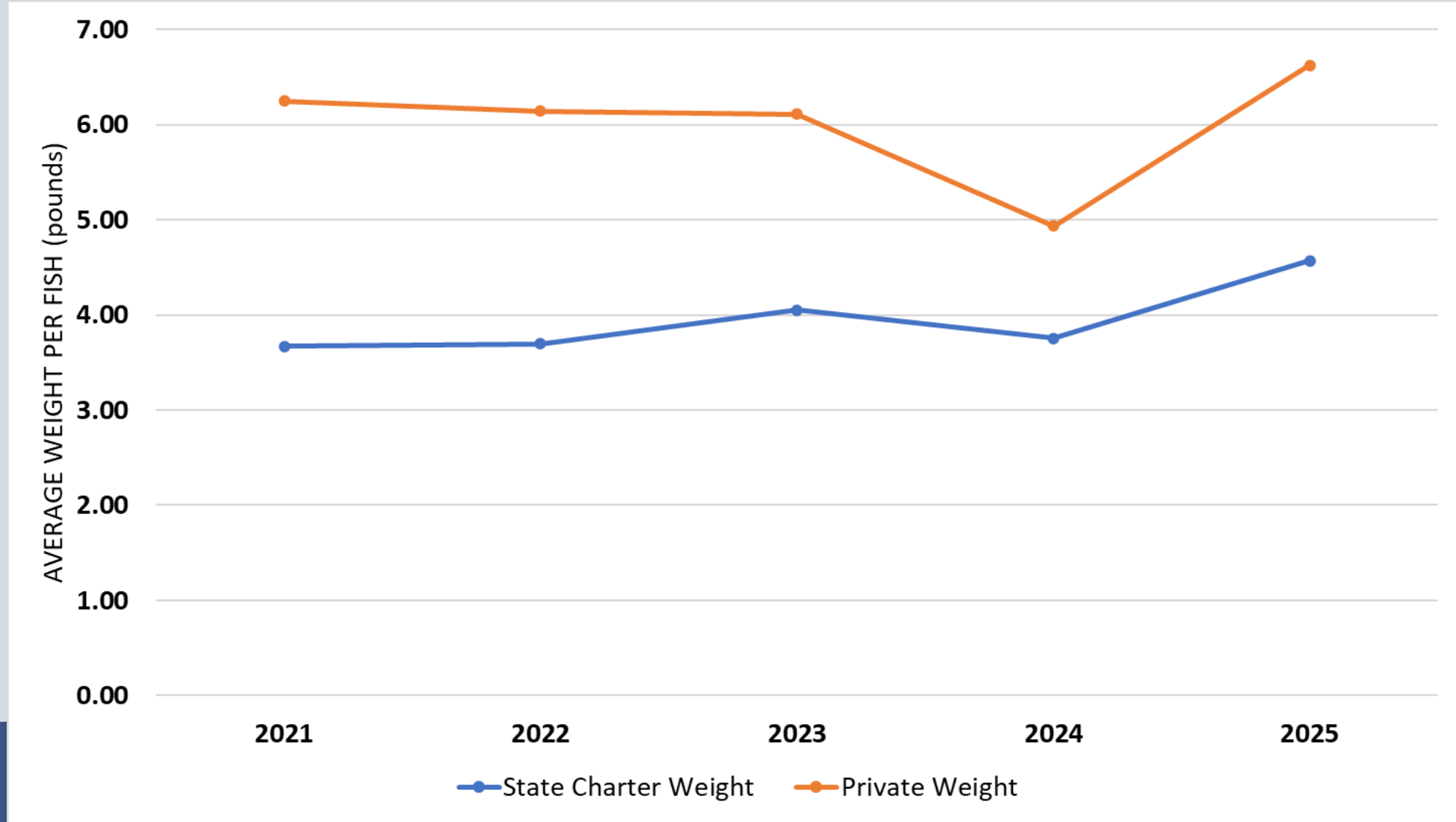


# Recreational Private Gulf Red Snapper Landings Estimates

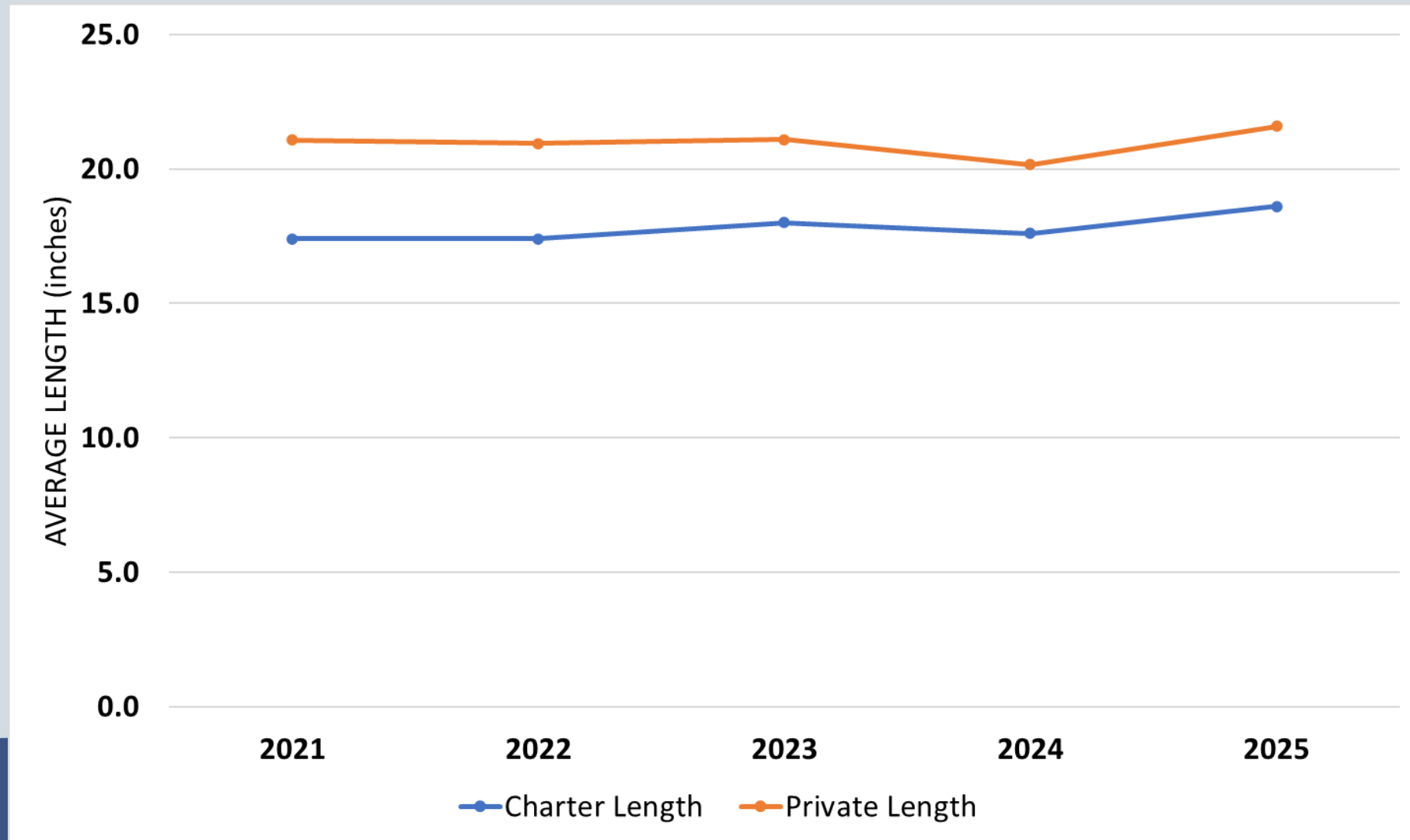
- **Preliminary** 2025 landings: 1,649,979 pounds (60% of quota)



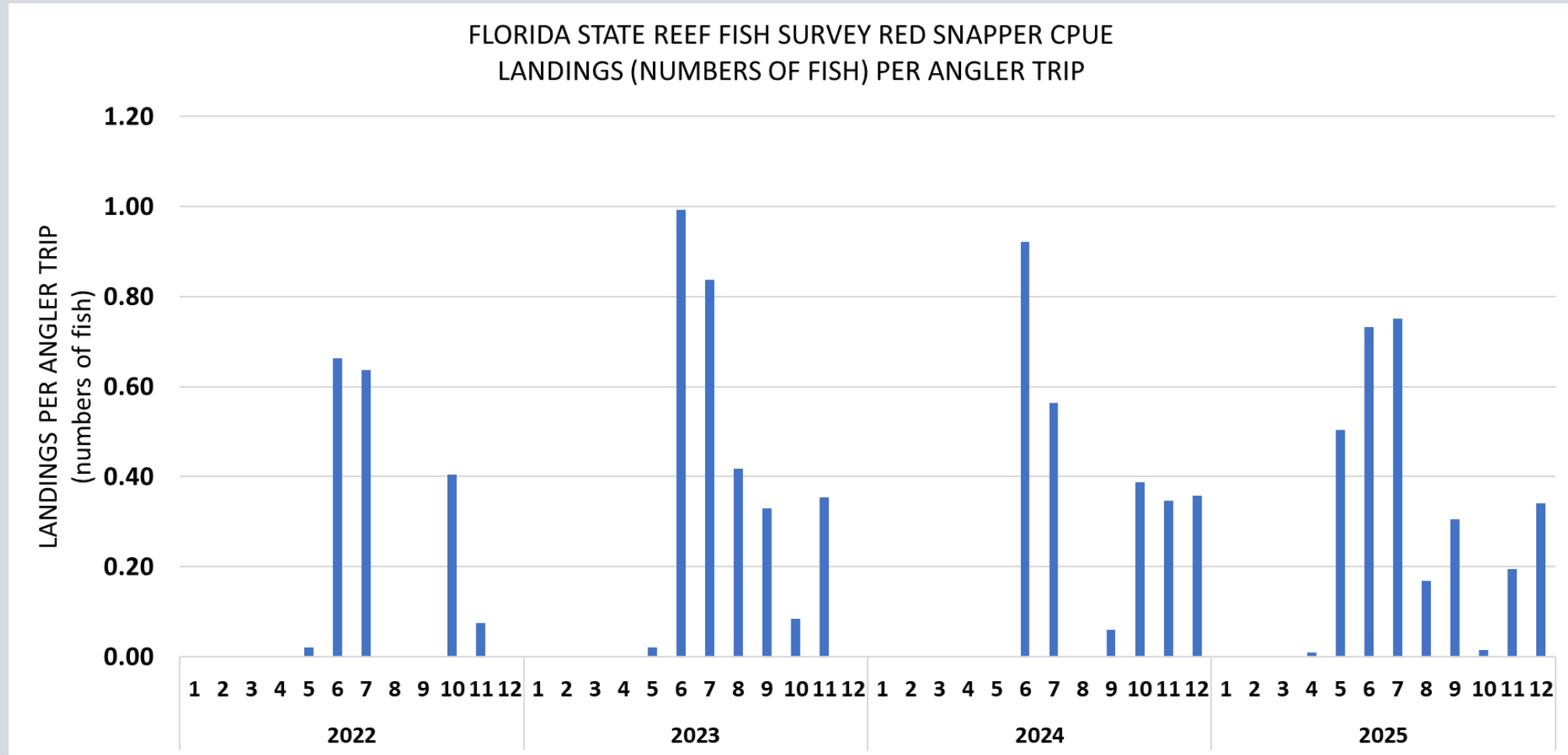
# Recreational Private and State Charter Gulf Red Snapper Average Weights



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# Private Recreational Gulf Red Snapper CPUE



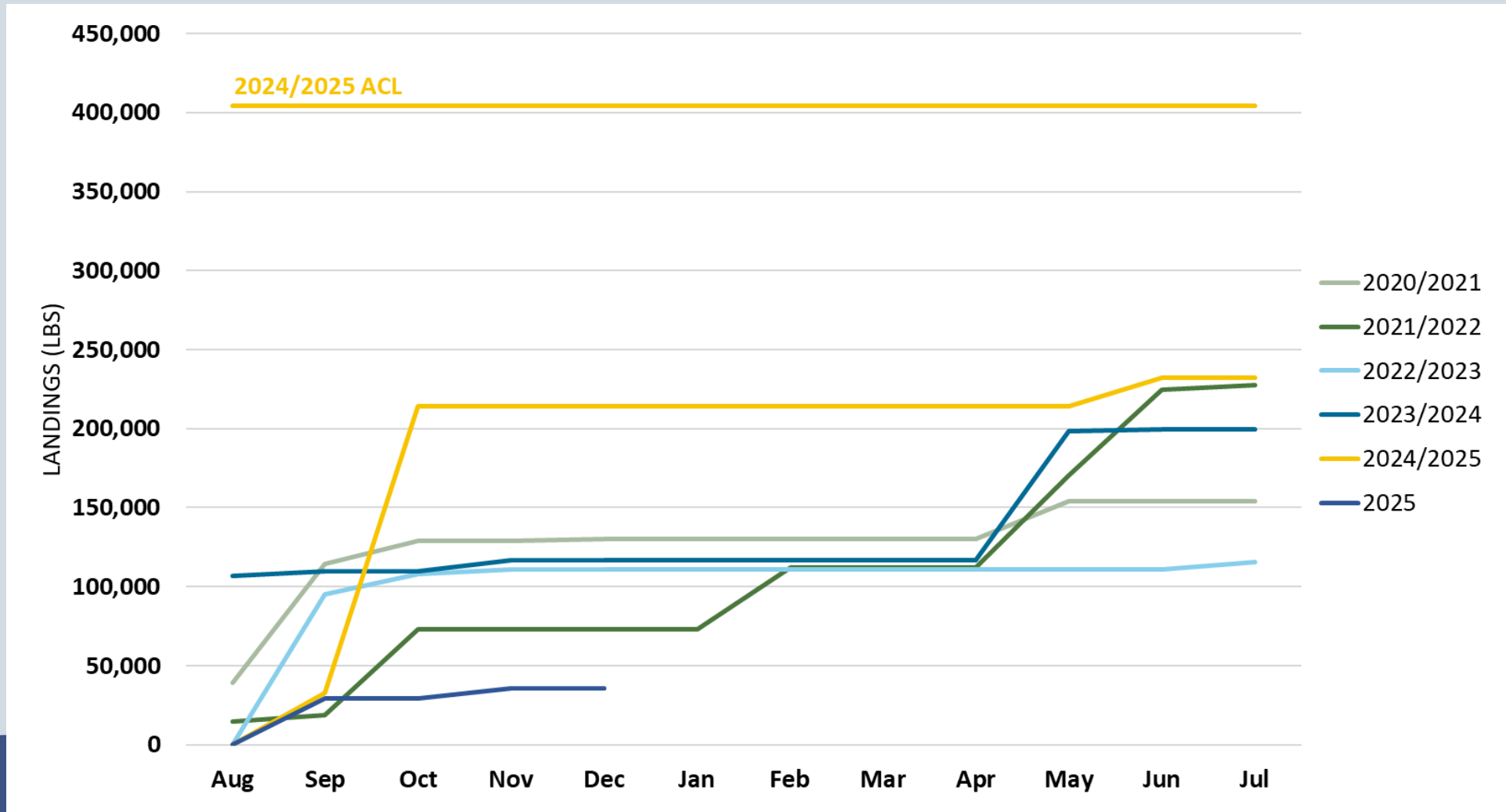
# Gulf Greater Amberjack

- FWC issued EO for consistent state and federal season
- SRFS landings supplemented with MRIP intercepts
  - 2026 landings not available yet

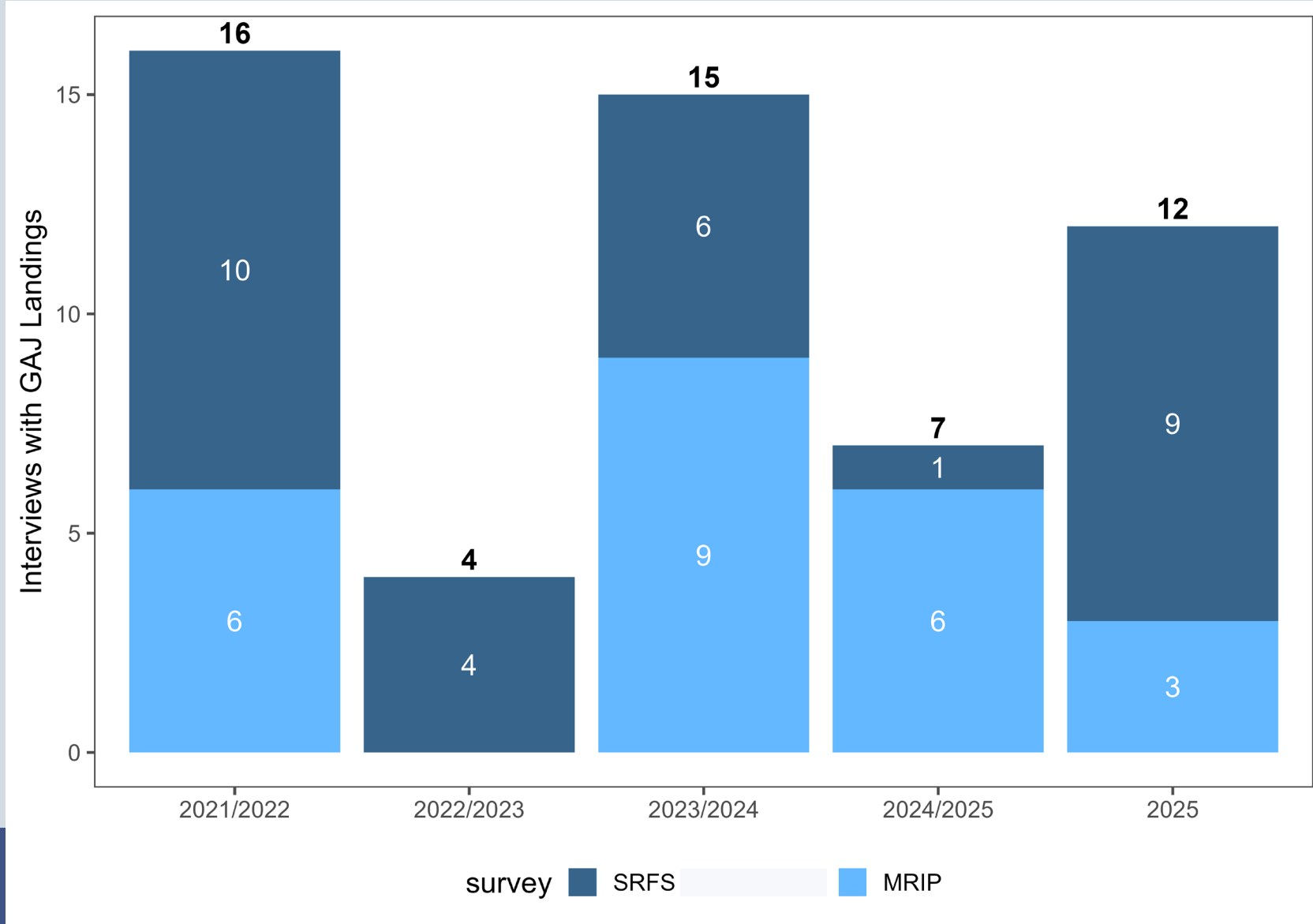


# Recreational Private Gulf Greater Amberjack Landings

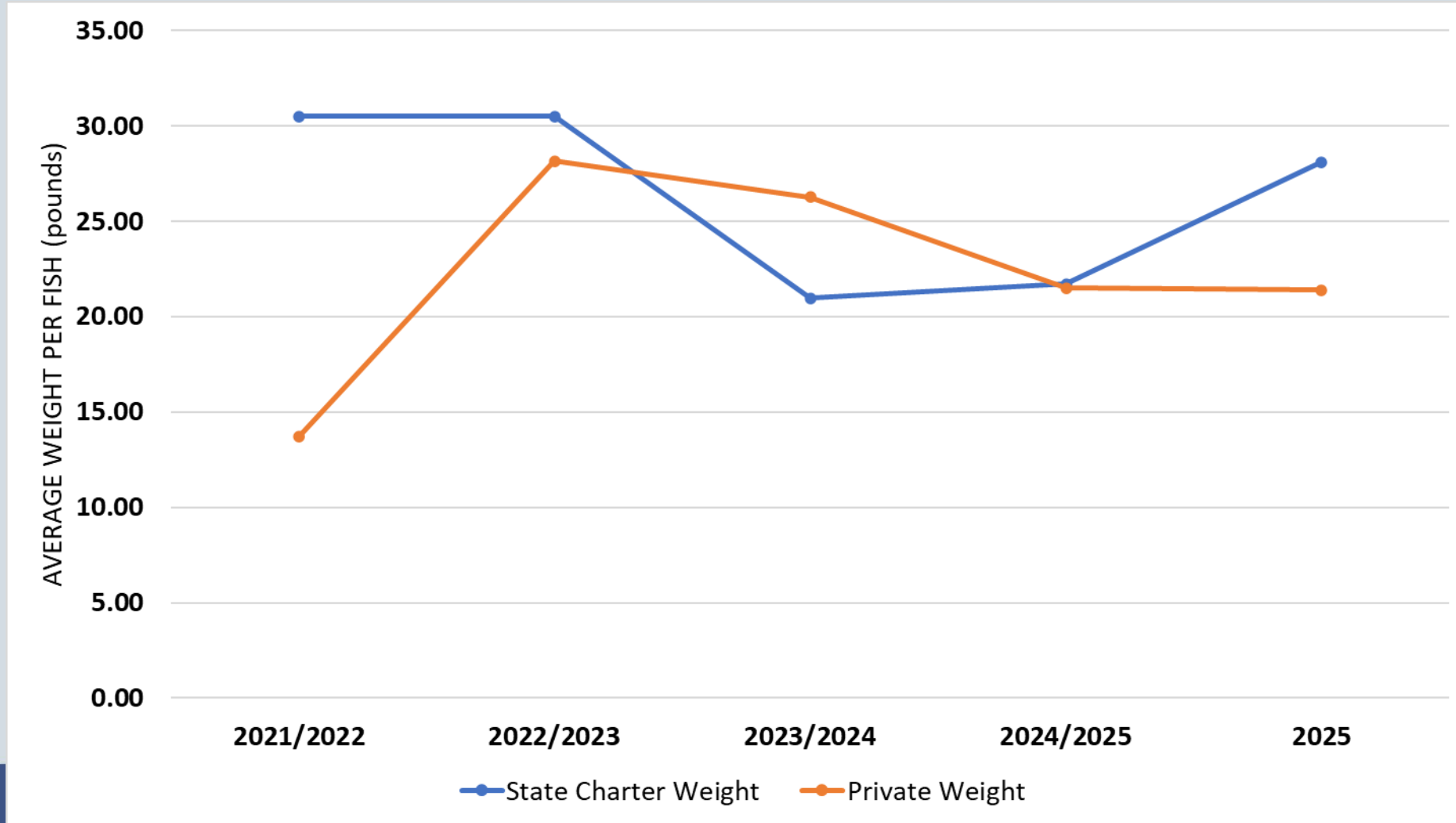
- **Preliminary** 2024/2025 season (57% of quota)



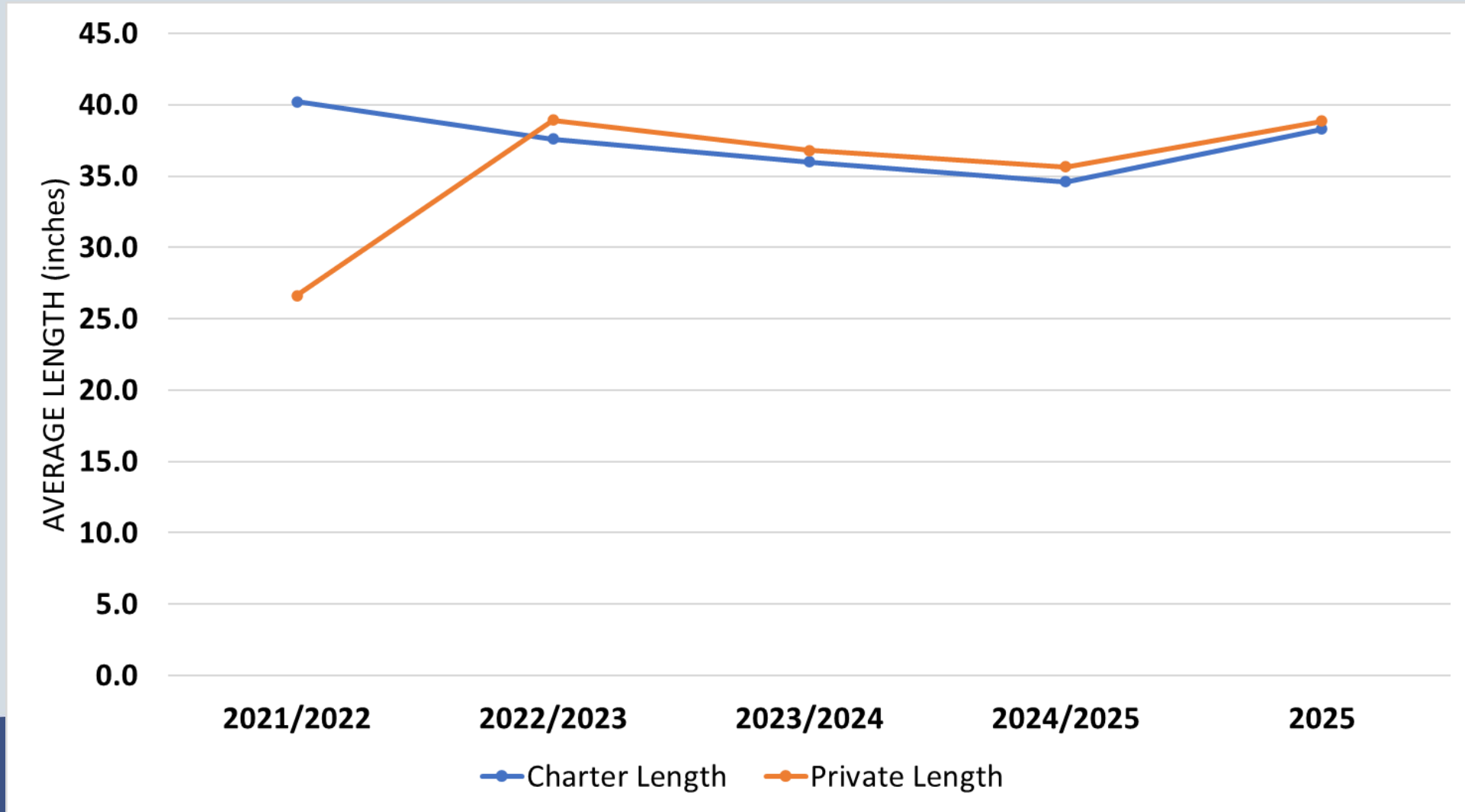
# Greater Amberjack Dockside Sample Sizes



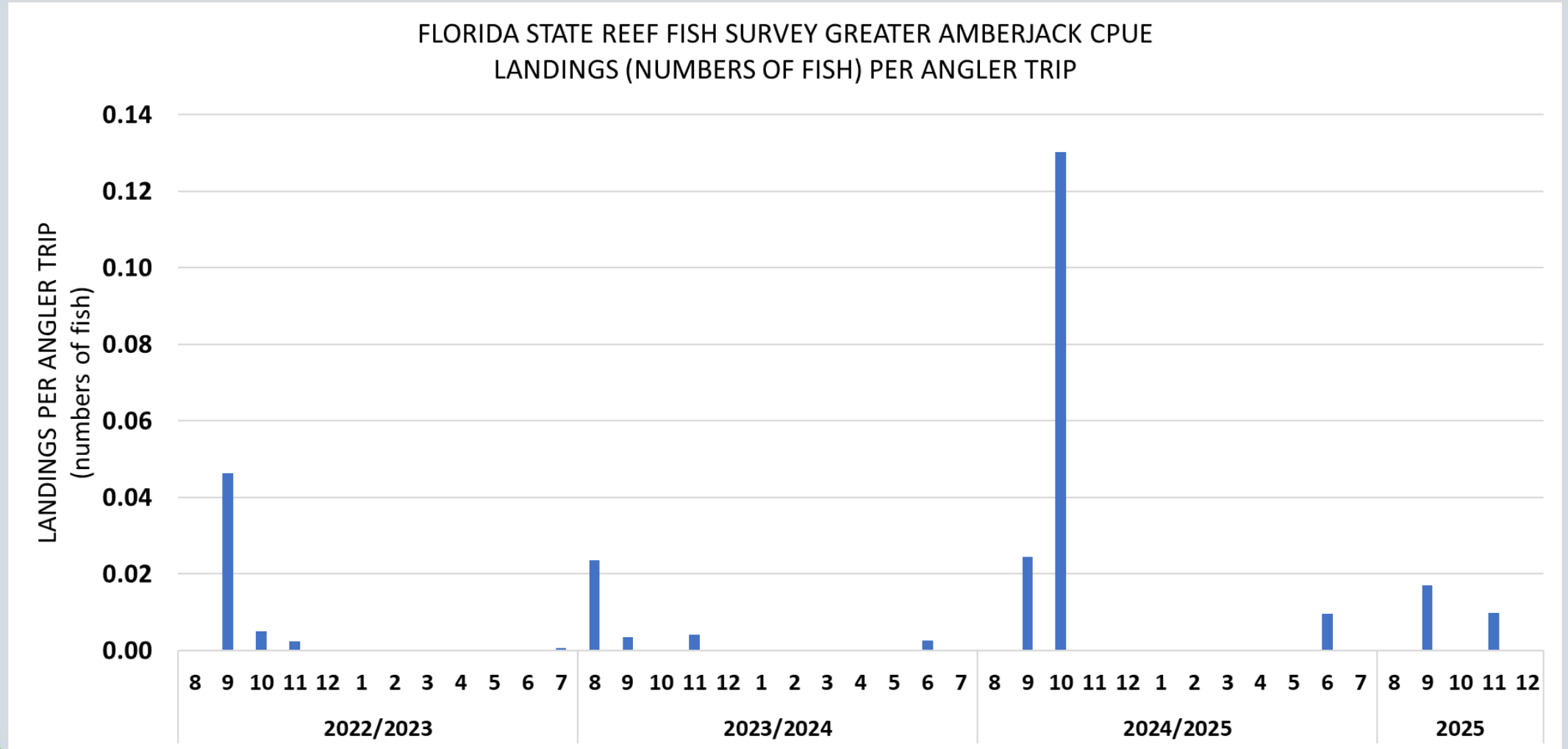
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# Gulf Reef Fish Private Recreational Effort Estimates

FLORIDA'S STATE REEF FISH SURVEY GULF REEF FISH EFFORT ESTIMATES  
(PRIVATE ANGLER)

