

IUU Toothfish Facts

Current situation

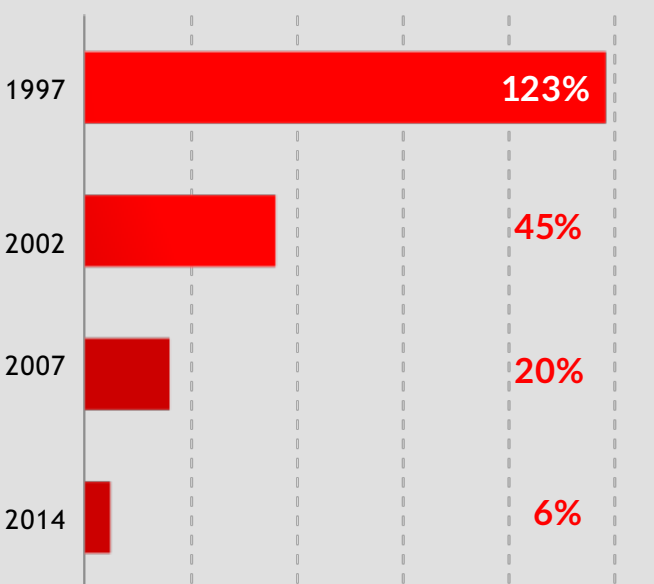
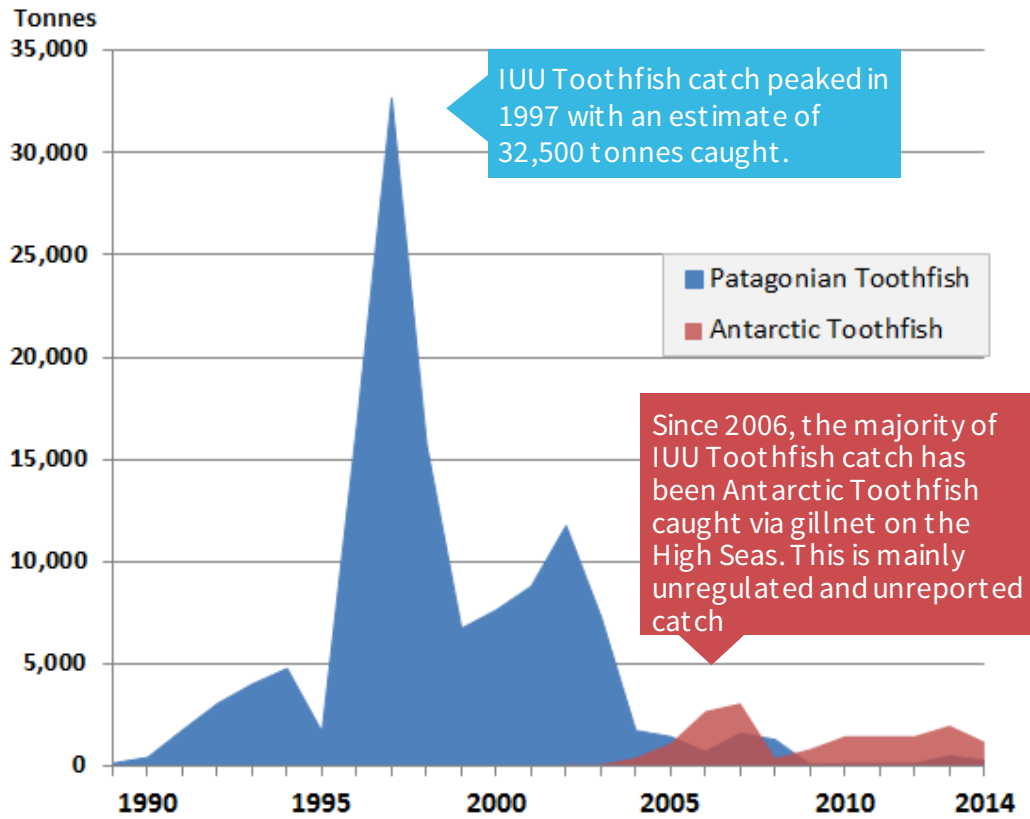
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported (IUU) fishing for Toothfish has been reduced by 95% from its peak in 1997, where boats fished inside countries' waters illegally. Now, IUU fishing for toothfish is at low levels, and operates on the high seas, using gillnets, and targets mainly Antarctic toothfish.

2014 saw the IUU reefer vessel, the Tiantai, sink as well as 2 IUU fishing vessels, the Thunder and Chang Bai, arrested and detained in Malaysia for many months. The remaining four known IUU vessels left the region in March, and did not return, meaning current IUU catches are at the lowest levels since this problem began.

Historic IUU Toothfish Catch

At its peak, there were over 55 vessels IUU fishing full time for toothfish

There are now 6 part time



Current IUU Toothfish vs legal Toothfish catch



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