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The Distribution Mapping and Analysis Portal (DisMAP)

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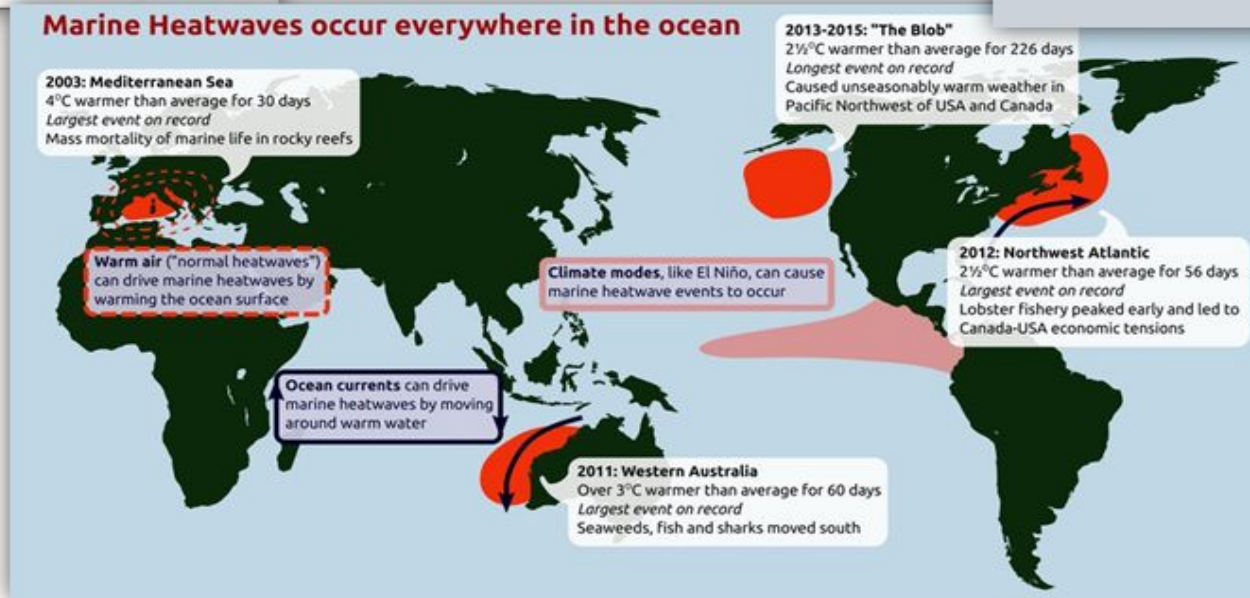
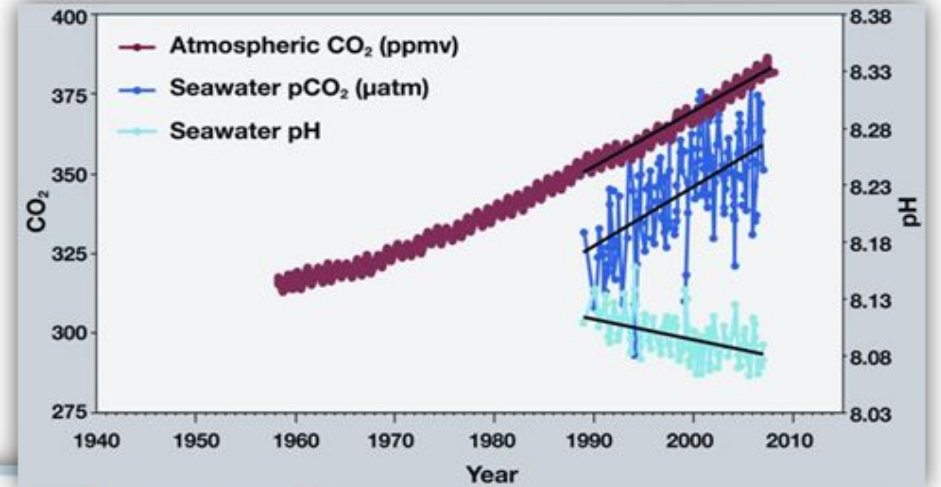
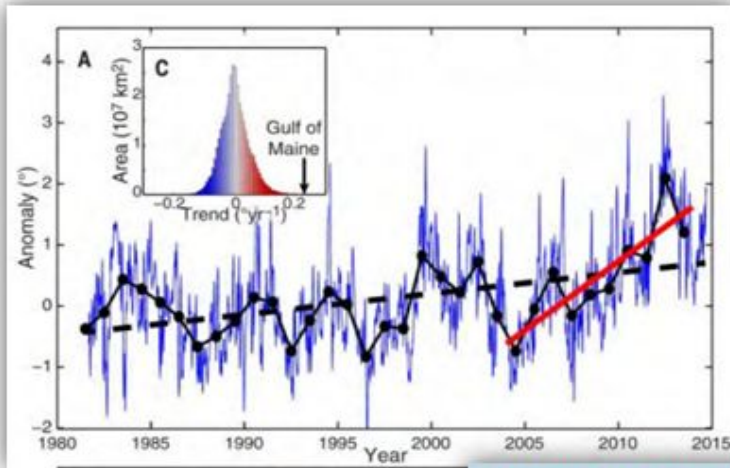
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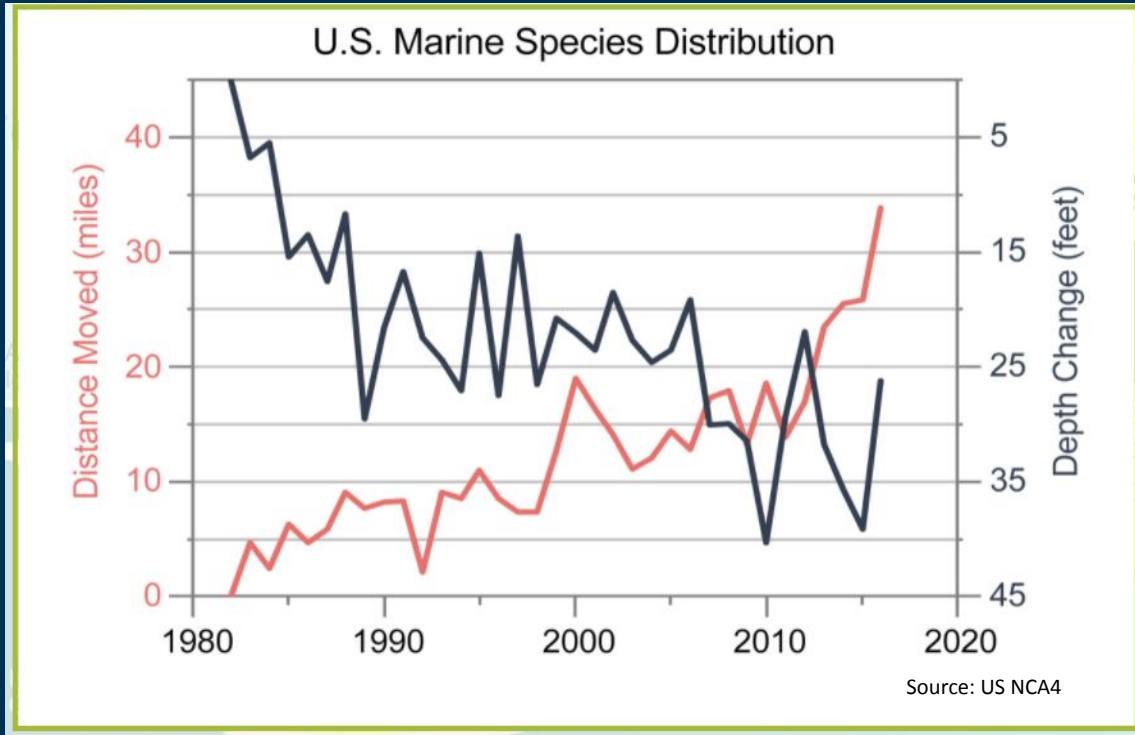
Outline

- Background and Motivation
- What is DisMAP?
- Key components
- Future directions
- Acknowledgements: The Team

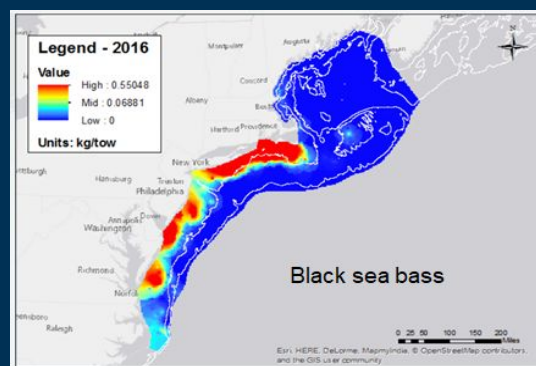
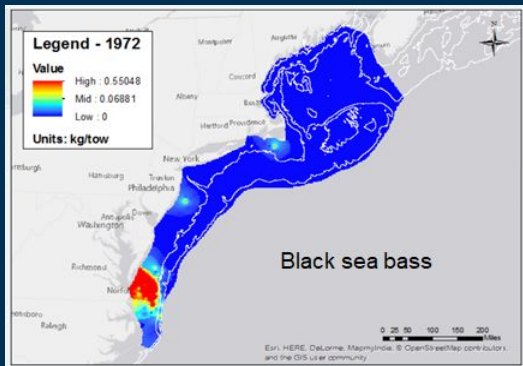
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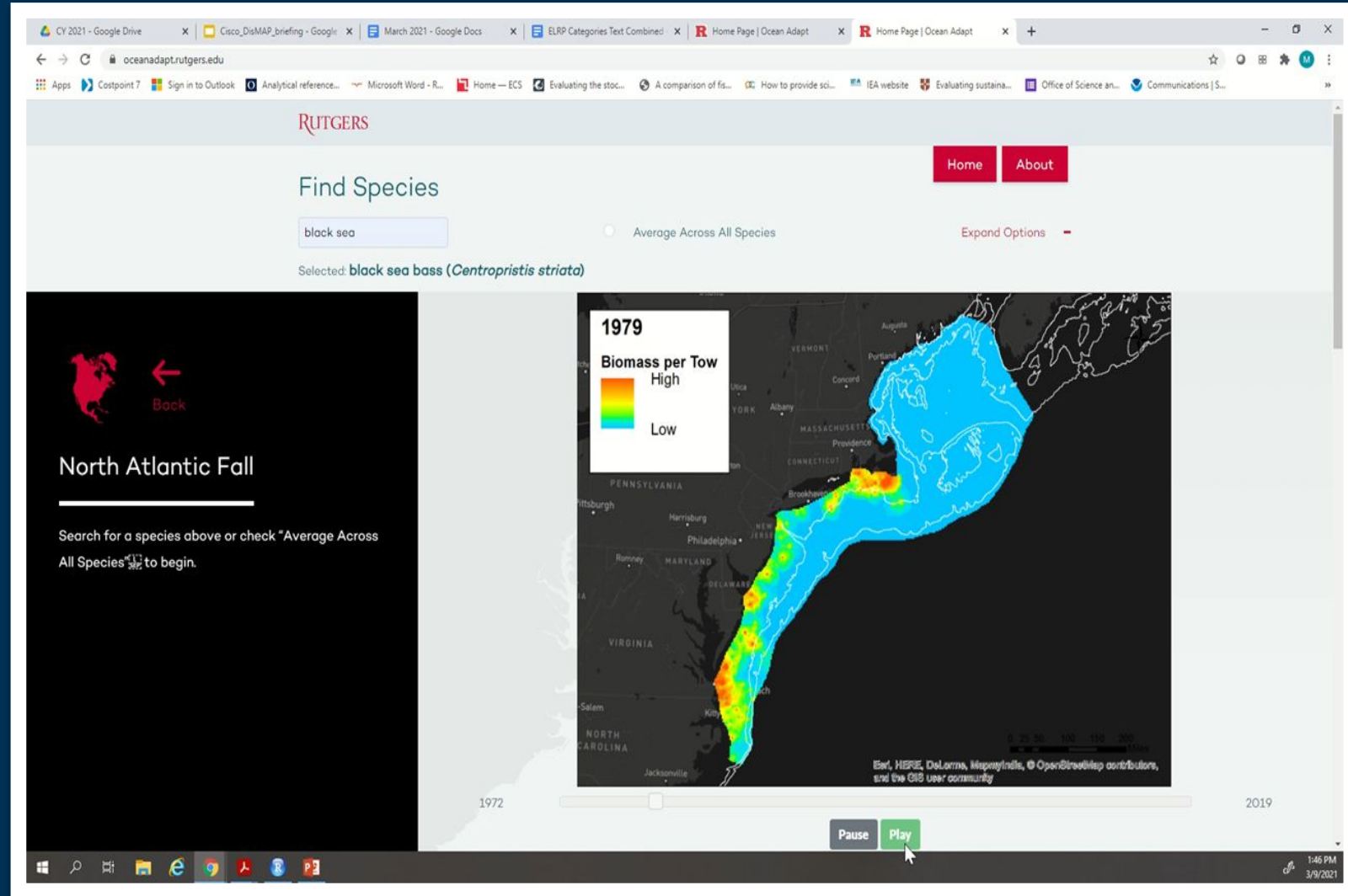
- Interest and need to understand species responses to changing environment
- One of the main goal of the study of ecology
- Management implications of changing distributions
- Collect extensive information on species distribution through surveys, but access and deliver is inconsistent across the regions



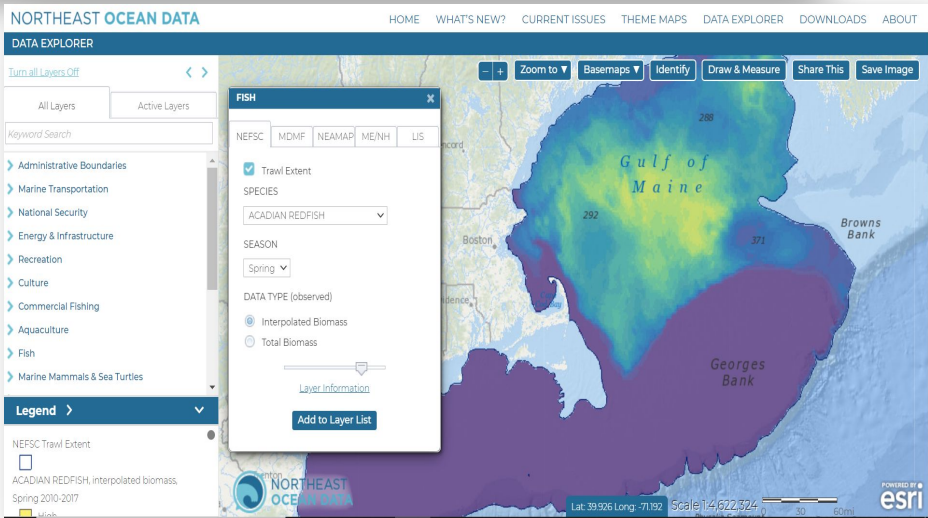
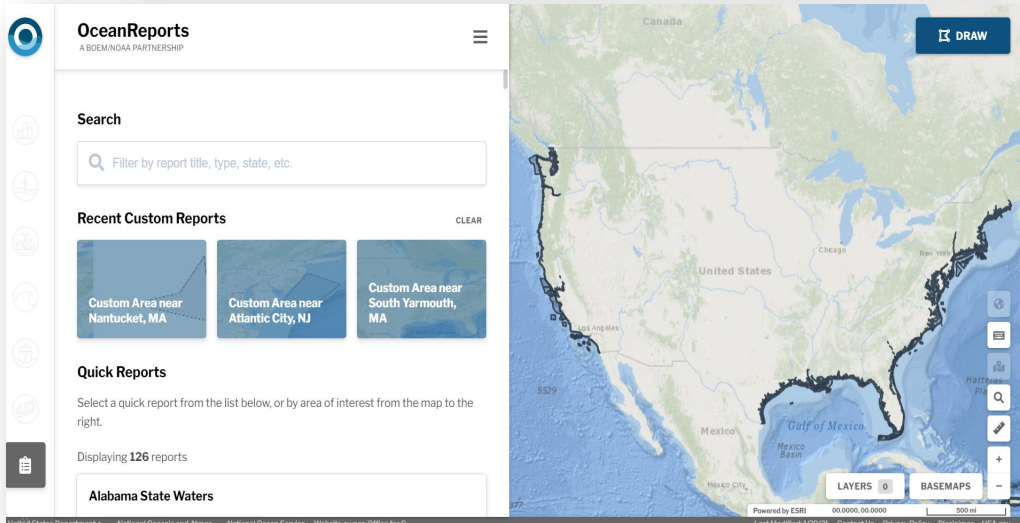
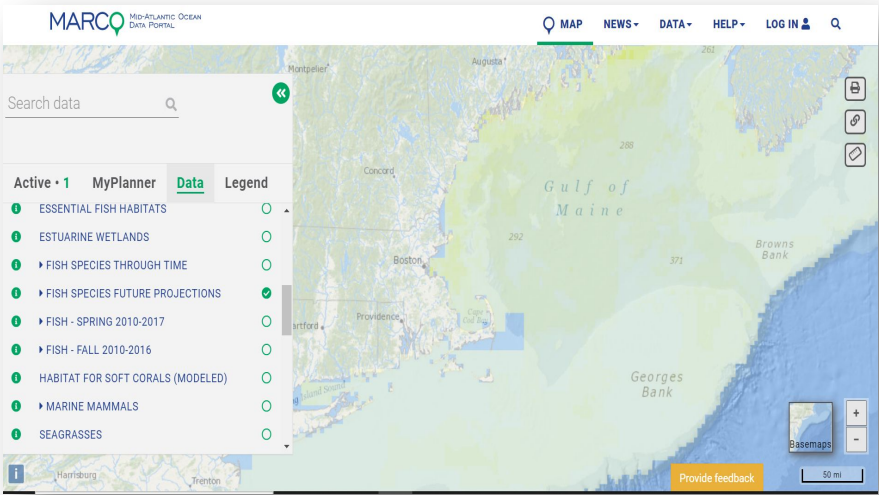
Source: OceanAdapt (<https://oceanadapt.rutgers.edu/>)

Successful Pilot: Ocean Adapt

- Successful collaboration between NMFS and Rutgers since 2015.
- Provides information on historic and projected distributions for 300+ species
- Updated annually from NMFS and DFO trawl surveys.
- NMFS Assessment:
 - Limited platform
 - Growing demands
 - Recommendation to develop next generation portal



DisMAP Relative to Other Ocean Data Portals

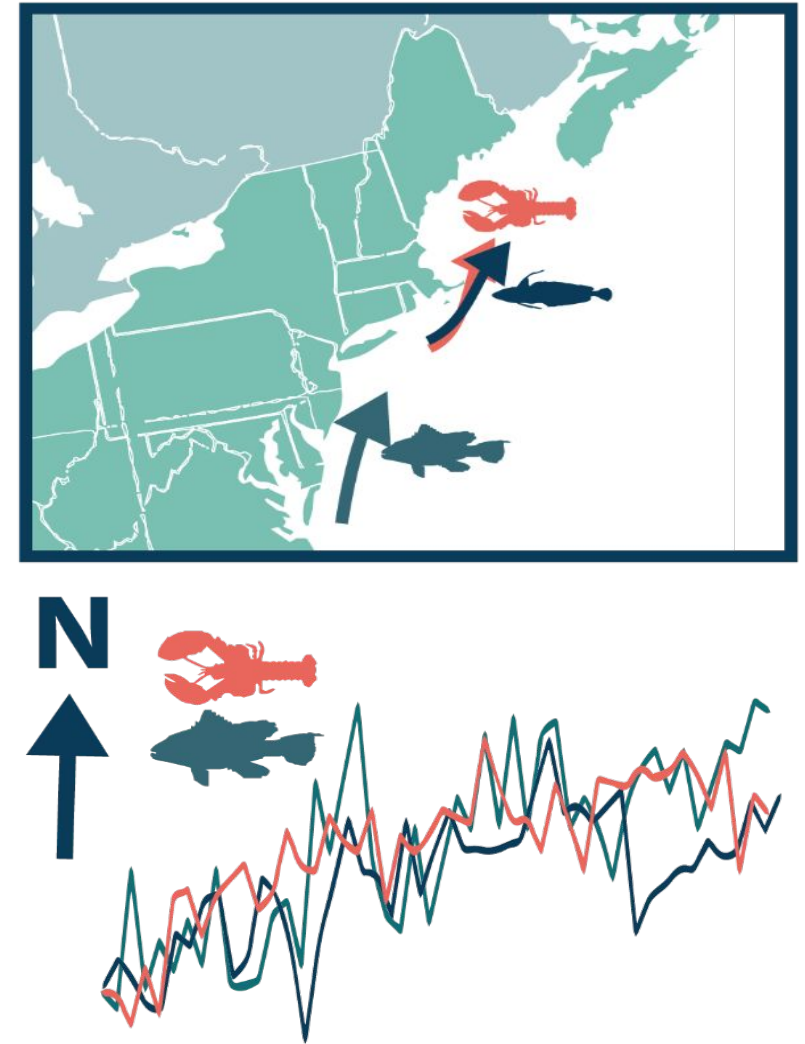


The NMFS Distribution Mapping and Analysis Portal (DisMAP)

DisMAP is: A national online portal providing visualization and analysis tools to allow users to view, download, and dynamically interact with data to track and understand past and projected future distributions of marine species

Objectives:

- Make information on marine species distributions more accessible, usable, and useful to stakeholders
- Provide species distribution information across biogeographic and jurisdictional boundaries
- Provide consistent nationwide tracking and analysis of species distributions.
- Support and track development and advances in the field of species distribution modeling.
- Leverage and amplify investments and efforts.



The NMFS Distribution Mapping and Analysis Portal (DisMAP)

DisMAP will have five modules where users can interact with and explore the distribution data in different ways:



Single Species Distributions

Explore visual and numerical representation of several key metrics that define a species range and distribution and how they have or are projected to change over time.



Multispecies Overlap & Interactions

Explore species interactions, such as area or range overlap, within an area of interest and evaluate how those interactions have or may change over time.



Species Shifts & Human Interactions

Examine how availability of different fish species has or is projected to change under future conditions for different ports



Regional Summary

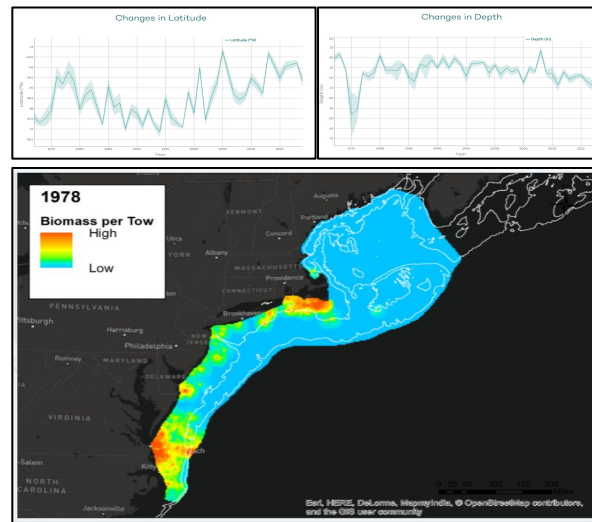
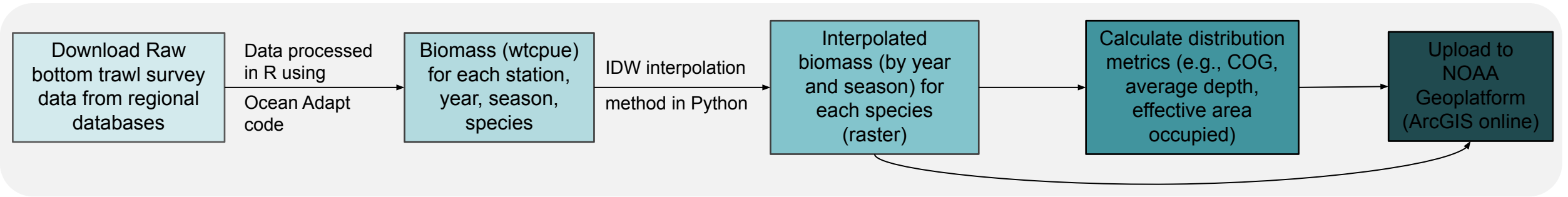
Explore how communities have changed at the regional level (e.g. species richness and diversity), and quickly view changes in key distribution metrics across all species in a region at one time.



Data Download

Search for species or regions (surveys) of interest to download the cleaned, standardized data to use outside the portal

Back-end: Data Compilation & Processing





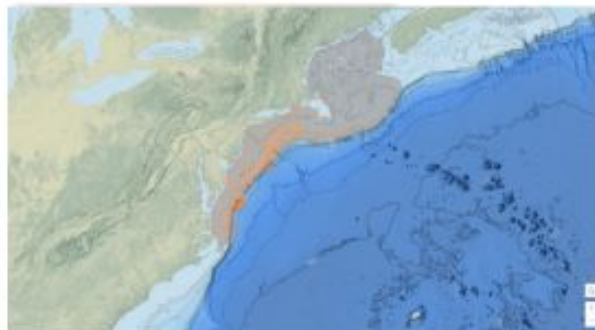
Distribution Mapping and Analysis Portal

[Launch Portal](#)

Marine species are shifting their distributions in response to climate change, and in the U.S., there is high and growing demand for species distribution information for use in fishery science and management and other ocean use decision-making (e.g., energy, transportation). Climate driven shifts in species distribution have implications for both management and science decisions. In order for managers and scientists to make informed decisions about how to adjust appropriately to changing distributions and species ranges, they require quick, easy, and reliable access to the most up to date information on current and future projected species distributions.

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Single Species

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Multi-Species Analysis

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Port Availability

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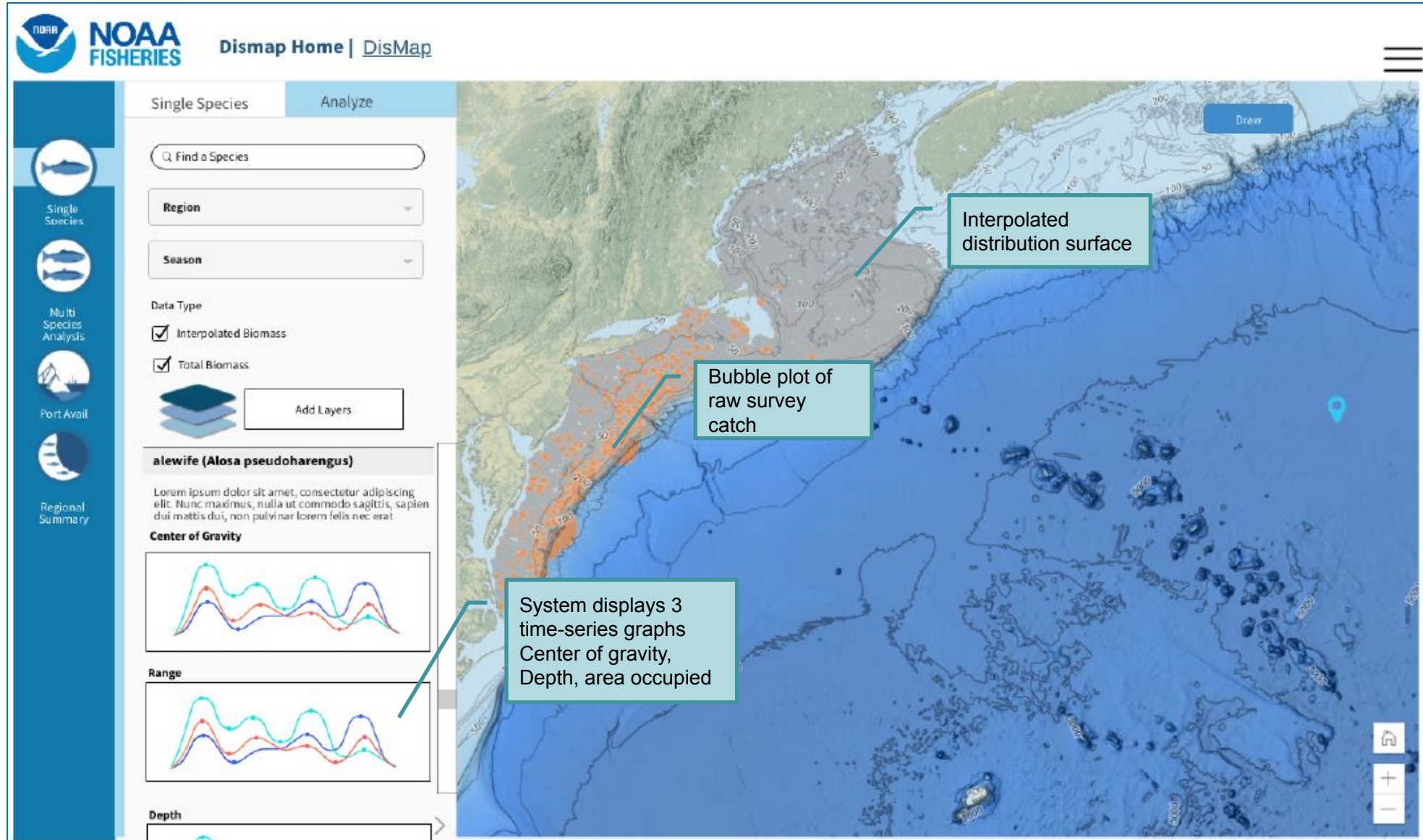


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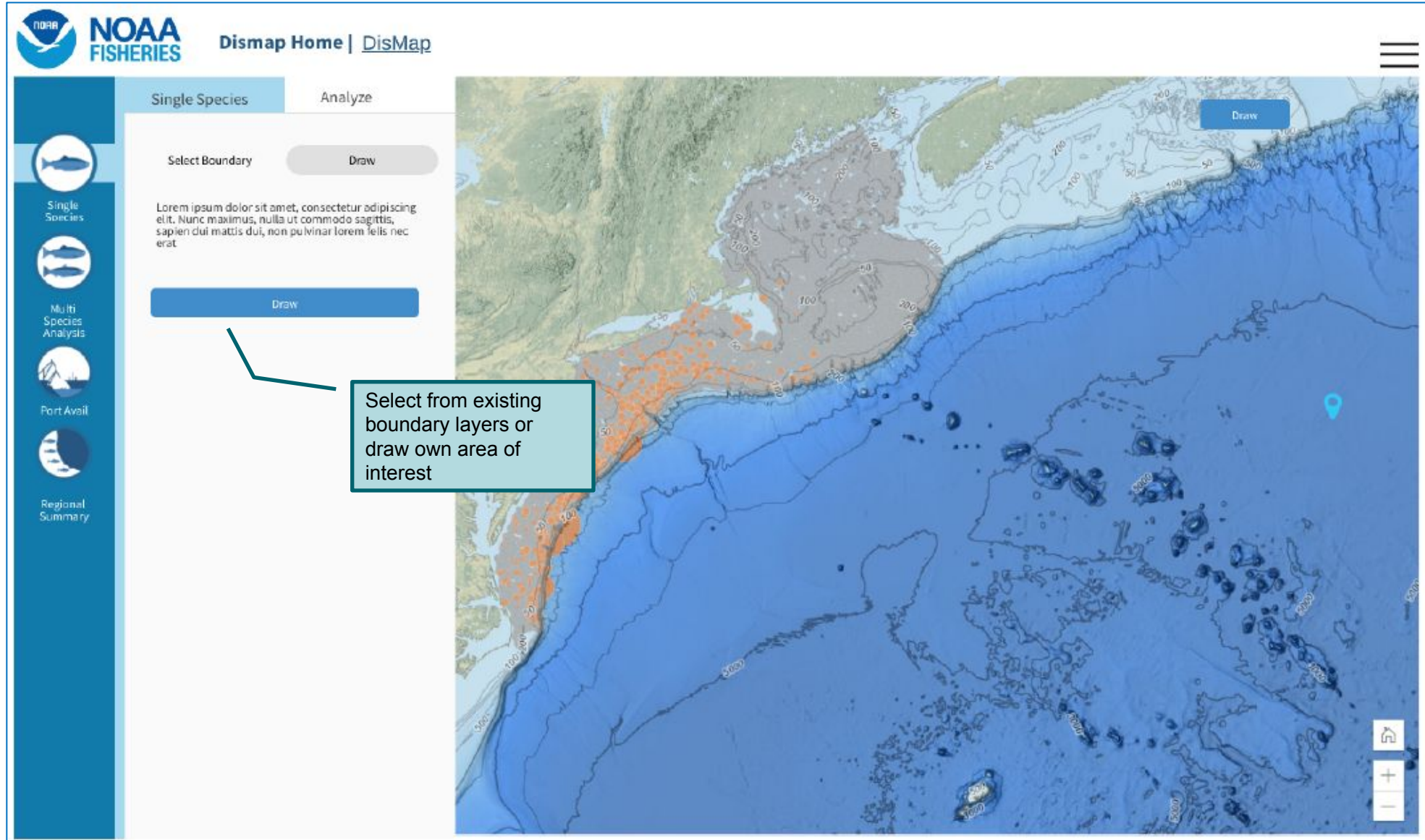
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Single Species Distribution Shifts



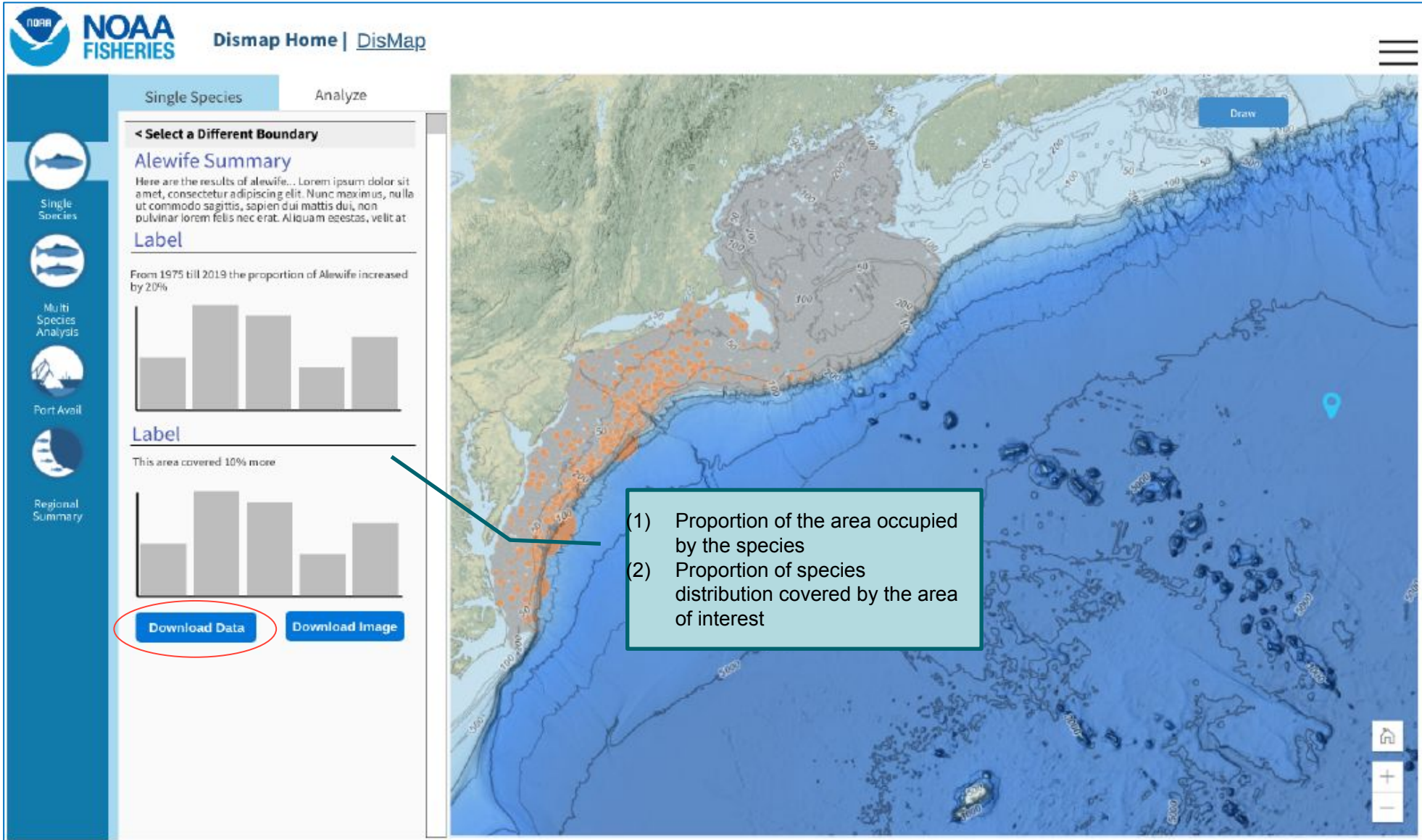
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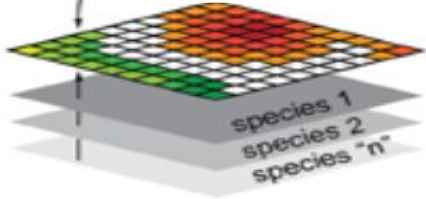
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Regional Summary Module



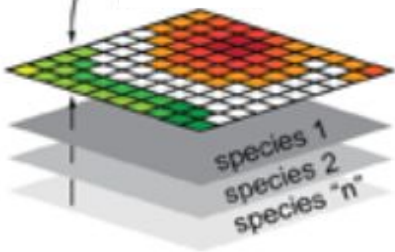
Species Richness

total # of species found
(interpolated wtcpue >0) in each
cell

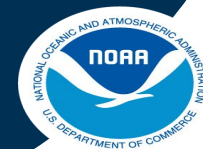
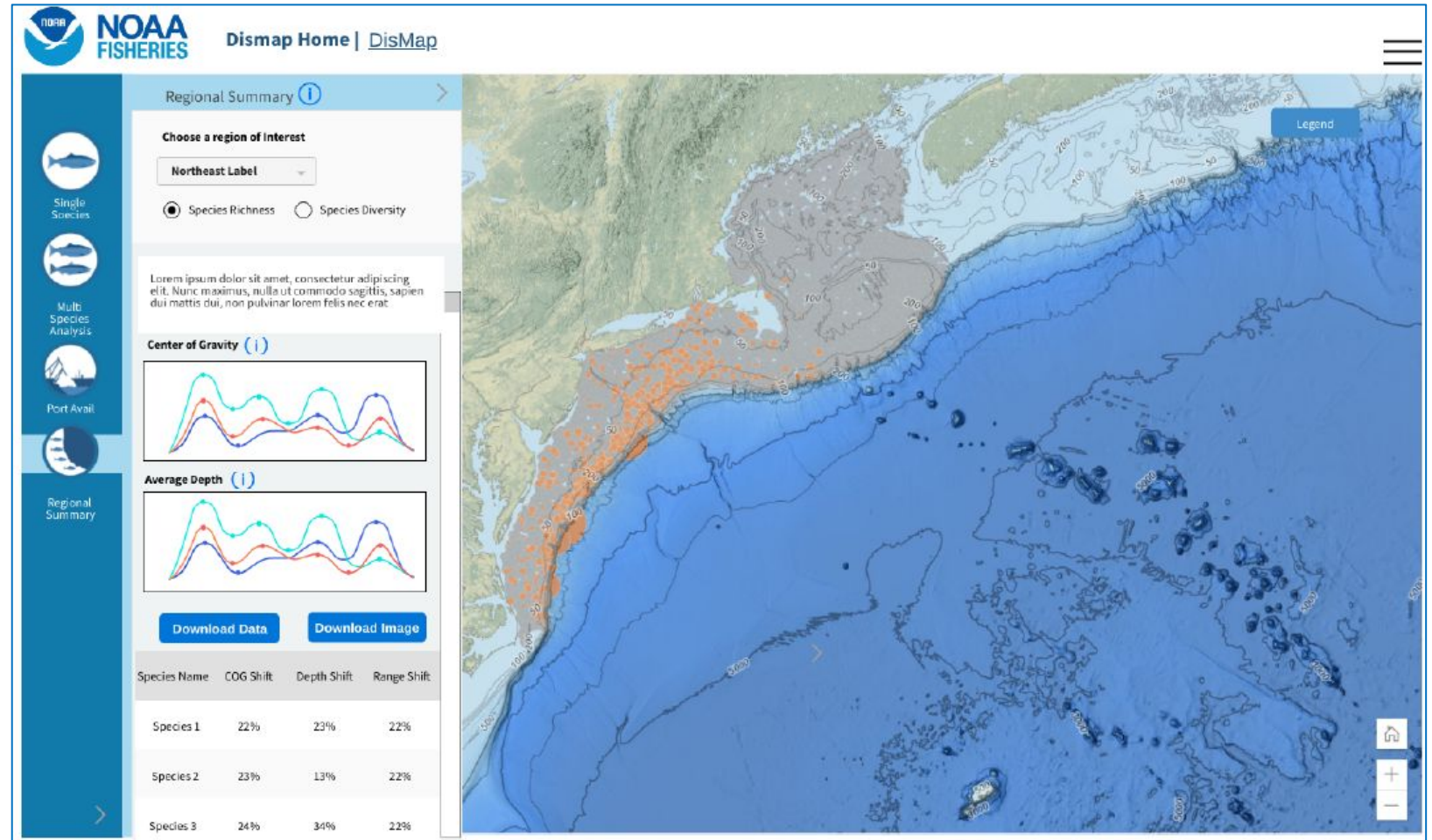


Species Diversity

Index of the total # of species and their
relative proportion in each grid cell



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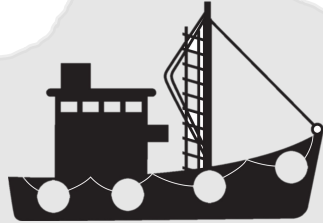
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WHO WILL USE THE PORTAL AND HOW?

NON-TECHNICAL USERS

- Prepare for changing fishing conditions and opportunities

FISHING INDUSTRY



GENERAL PUBLIC

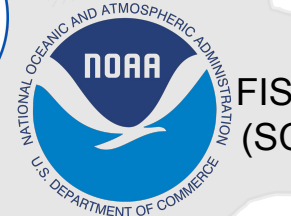


- View and interact with maps and graphs
- General interest, knowledge, awareness



EDUCATION,
COMMUNICATION,
OUTREACH

- Communicate and educate on the impacts of climate change on fisheries



TECHNICAL USERS

ACADEMIC RESEARCHERS



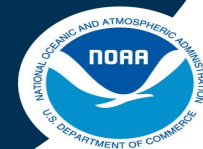
- Hypothesis testing and data exploration to inform future research efforts

FISHERIES SCIENTIST
(SCIENCE AGENCIES)

- Evaluate/inform survey designs
- Identify and understand changes in stock boundaries
- Download data to explore outside of portal

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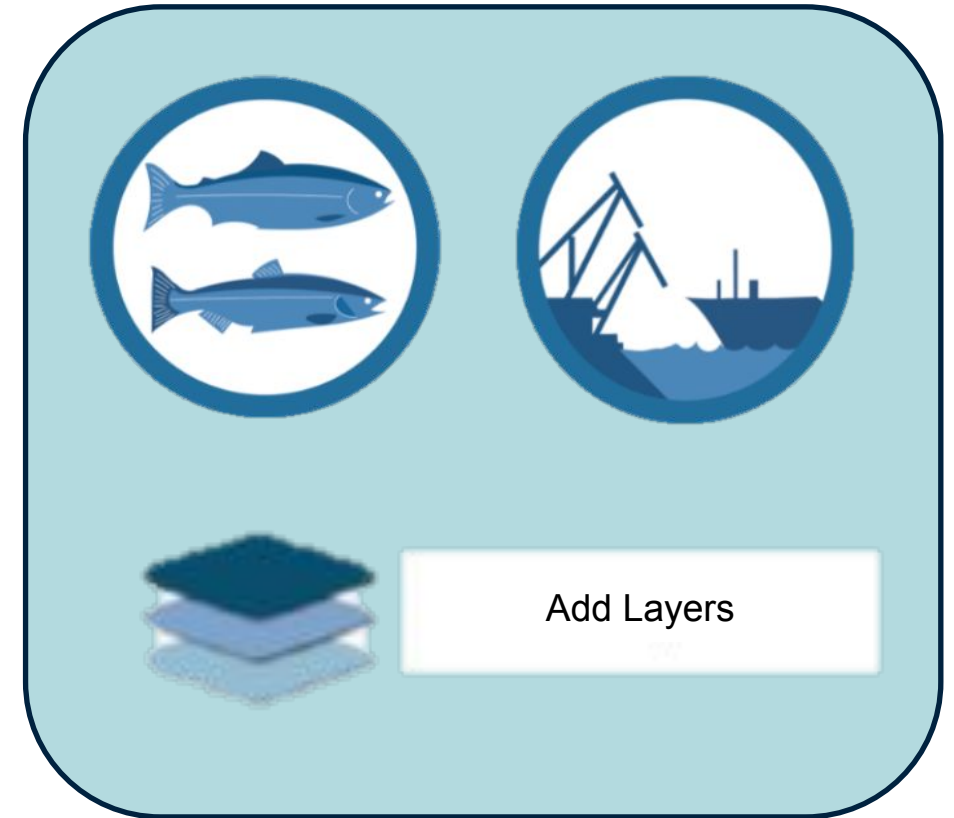
- Inform/evaluate spatiotemporal closures
- EFH designations
- Jurisdictional allocations
- Fishing community vulnerability



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Planned for Future Releases

- Interpolated maps and distribution metrics updated annual
- Multispecies Overlap & Interactions and Species Shifts & Human Interactions
- Developing plan to review and pull in statistical SDM output developed by Science Center Staff and Partners
- Other survey data sources
- Additional layers to include on map (e.g. environmental conditions (sst, salinity, Ocean acidification?), protected areas, Others?)



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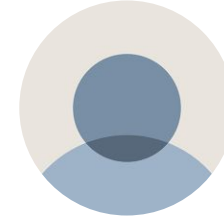
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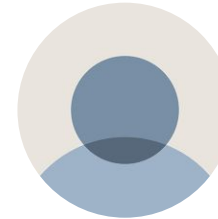
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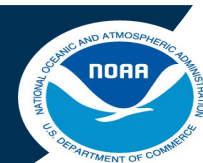
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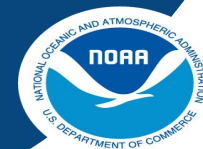


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QUESTIONS



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Front-end: Data Management

The NOAA GeoPlatform (ArcGIS Online) will be used to store and access processed DisMAP data, including:

- Imagery layers to provide access to gridded data: interpolated species biomass, species richness, and species diversity
- Hosted feature layers to provide access to survey observation points, with one service per data series.
- Area layers, to be used for general orientation and focused analysis (e.g. area overlap analysis)
 - Jurisdictional Authority & Allocation Areas
 - Fishery Management Areas
 - Ecological Production Units (EPUs)
 - Marine Protected Areas
- Oceanographic & Habitat Conditions layers
 - Sea Surface Temperature
 - Ocean Acidification layers??
- Tabular data that supports the application:
 - Indicators - year-based indicators calculated for each species within a data series. The indicator tables will provide data for graphs in the application.
 - Center of Gravity (COG)
 - Area Occupied
 - Depth

