Inshore Fisheries Interim Measures Evaluation Survey

Regional Inshore Fisheries Group Network

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The Survey

14 Questions

Went live on Monday 13th January 4 Optional Questions

Different
Question
Stream for
Shetland

Closed midnight on Friday 31st January Open for 19 days

Responses

178

responses

20.2%

current active inshore creel boats

273

comments

Some resistance

Shetland Regulating Order

Low response

North coast

Low response

Agreeing with the introduction of Interim Measures

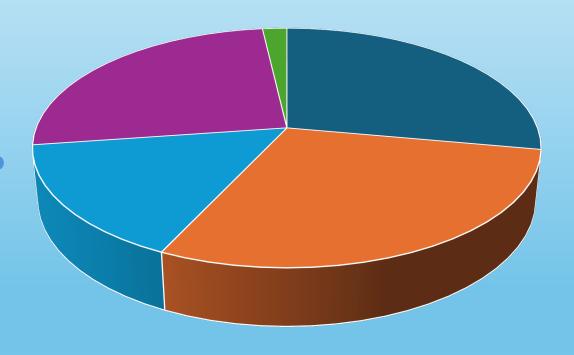
Fully Agreed 27.88%

Somewhat Agreed 29.09%

Somewhat Disagreed 15.76%

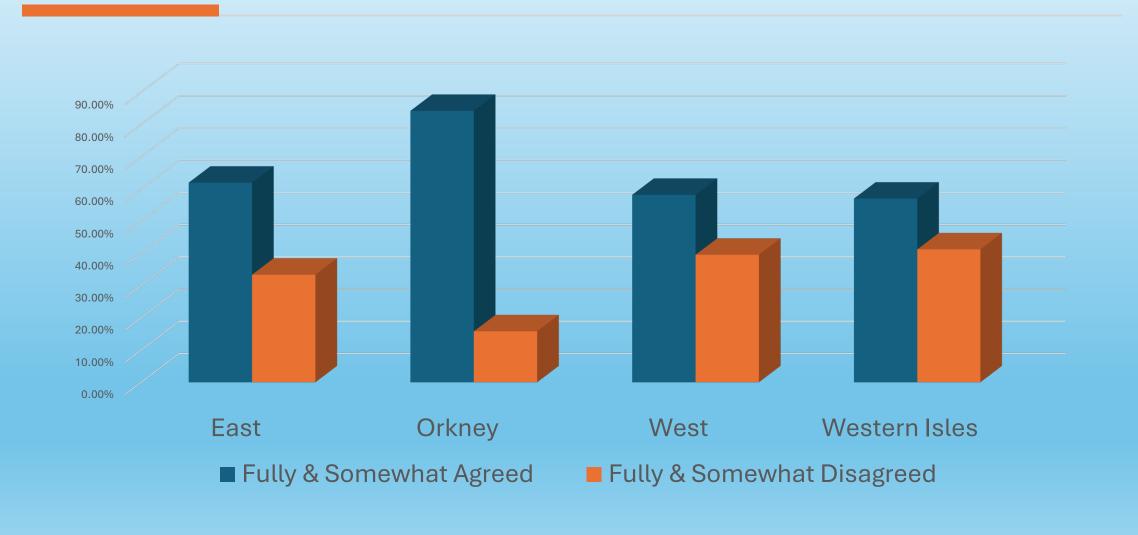
Wholly Disagreed 25.45%

No Opinion 1.82%

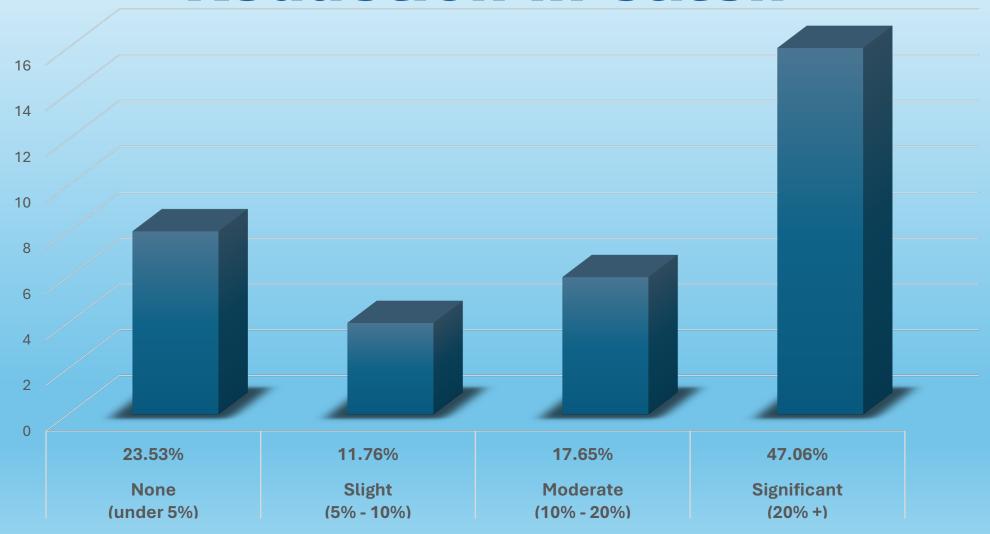


Agreement with interim measures

(by region)

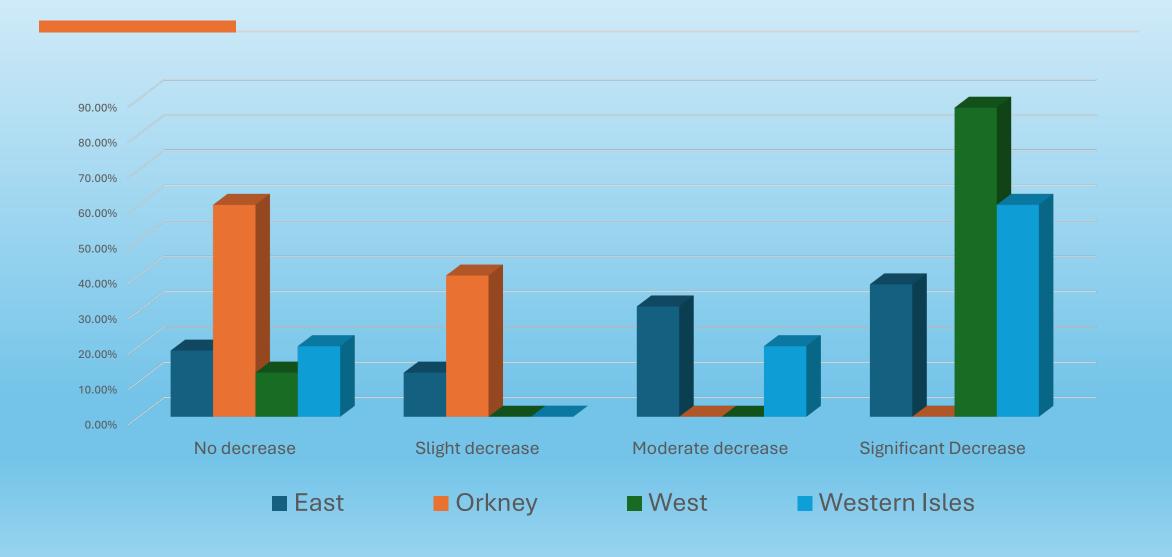


Lobster Reduction in catch

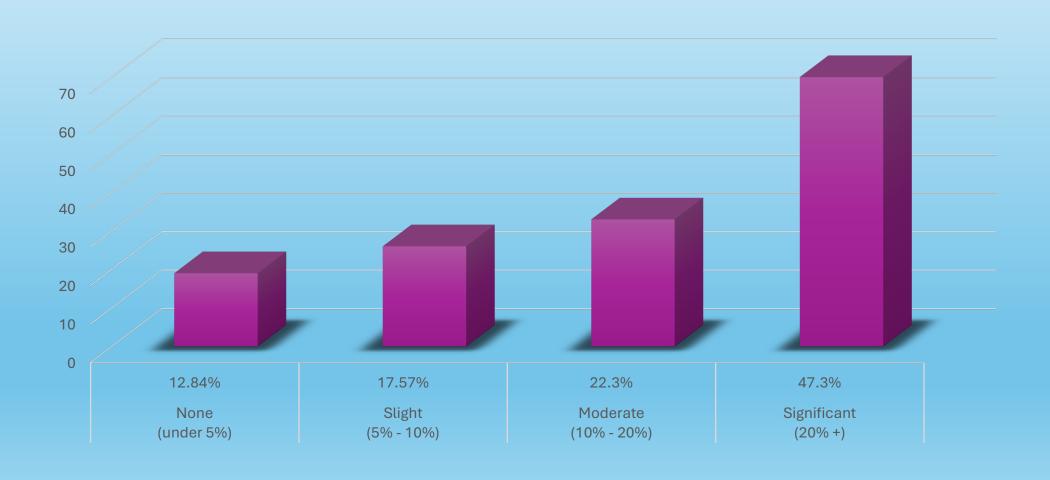


Lobster Landings

(by region)

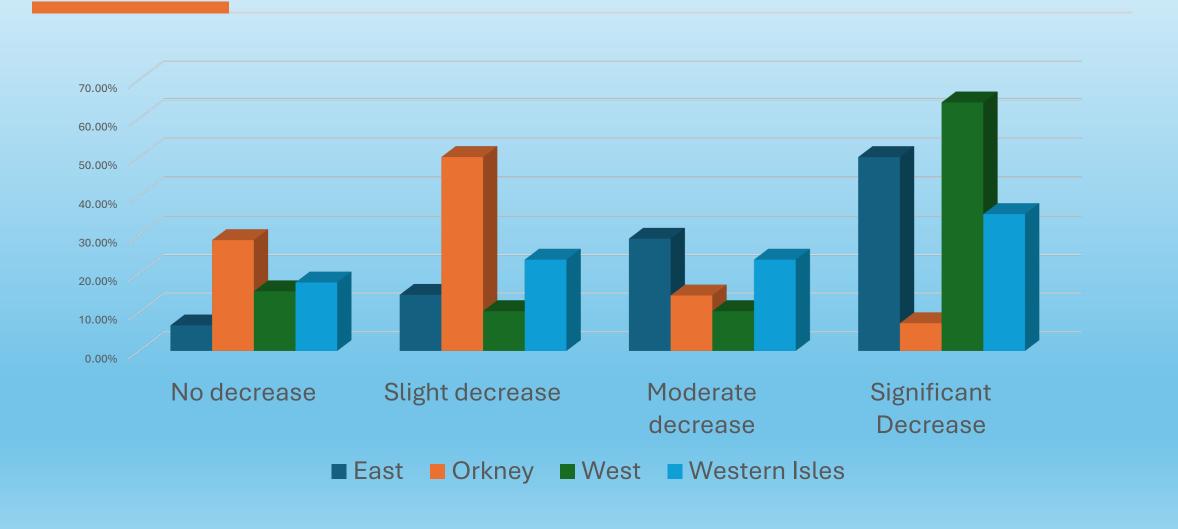


Crab & Lobster Reduction in catch



Crab & Lobster Landings

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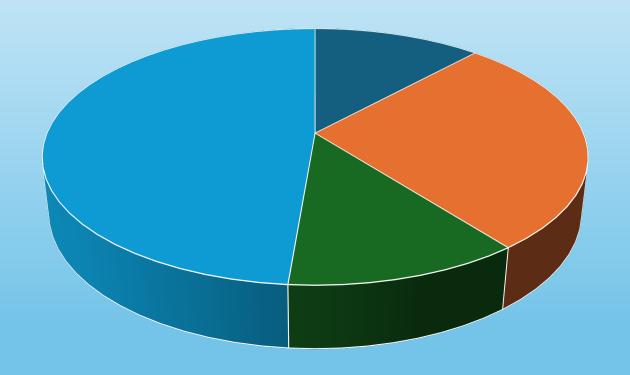
Change in Supper Crabber Activity

Increase 11.84%

No Change 27.63%

Decrease 11.84%

Unaware 48.68%

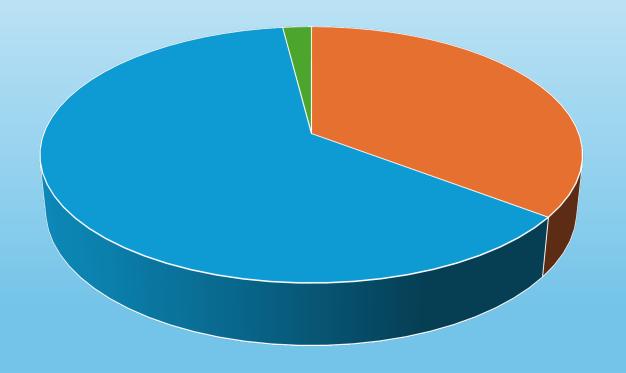


Change in Effort

Increased 35.33%

No Change 62.67%

Decreased 2.0%



Change in effort (by region)



Should Interim Measures Continue?

Stop 12.23%

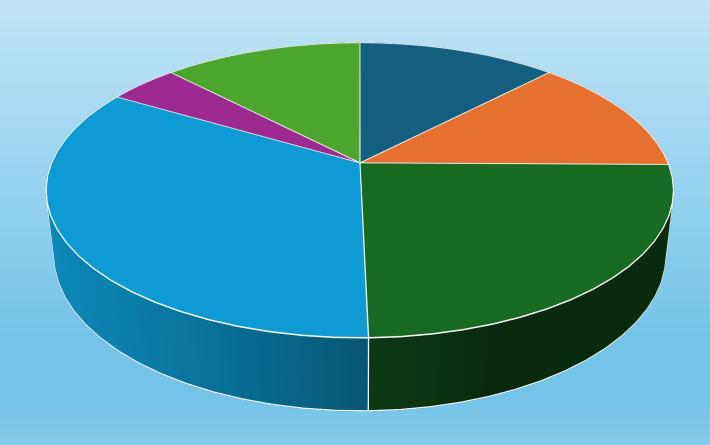
Keep 12.95%

Build 24.46%

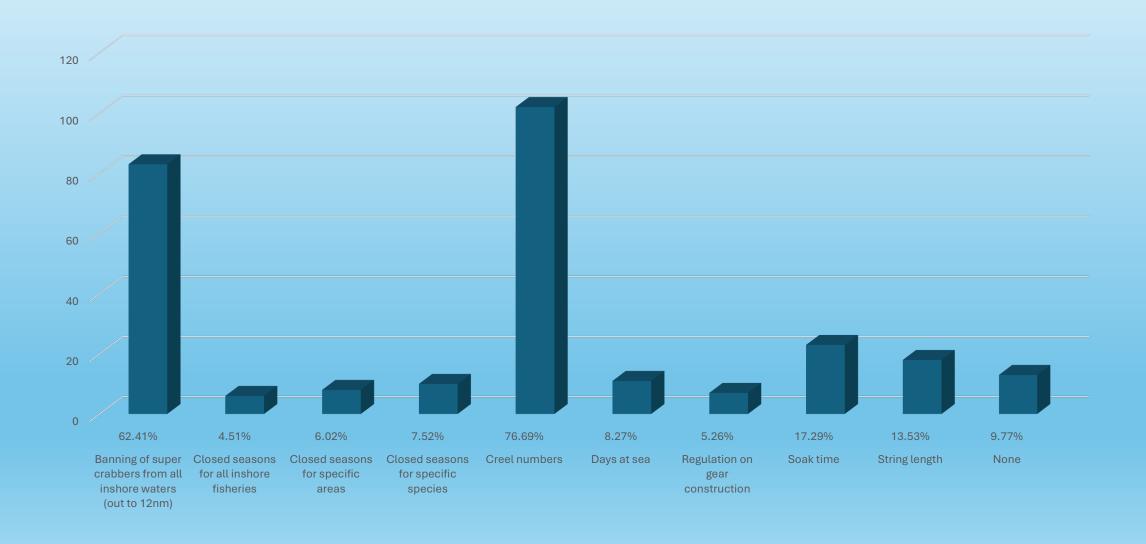
Rethink 33.81%

No Opinion 4.32%

Other 12.23%

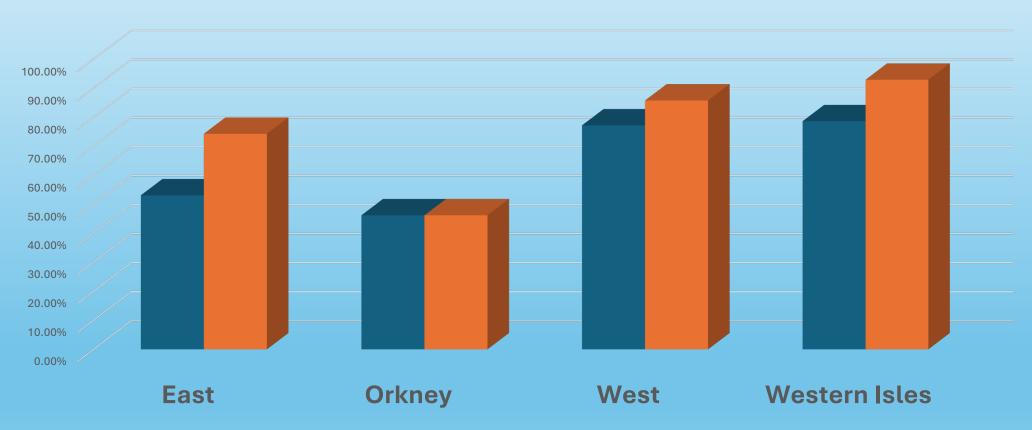


Future Input Controls?



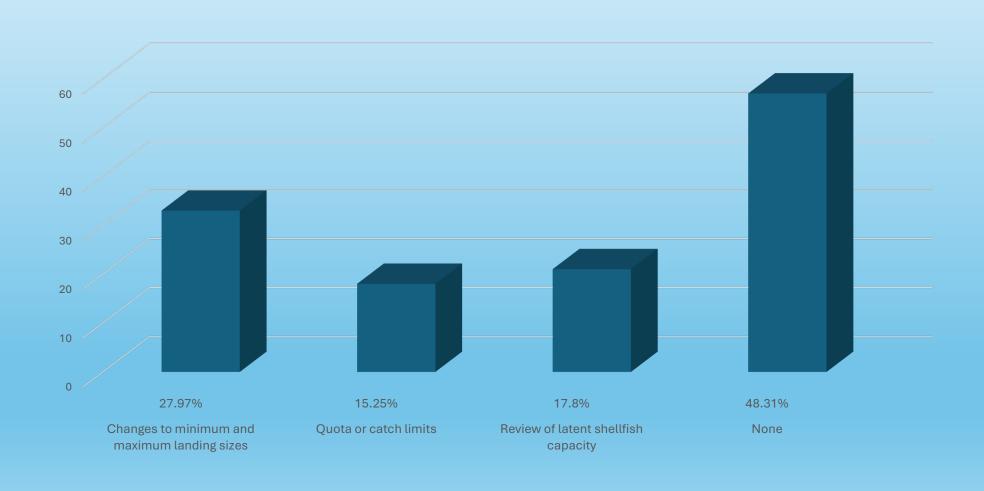
Future input controls?

(by region)

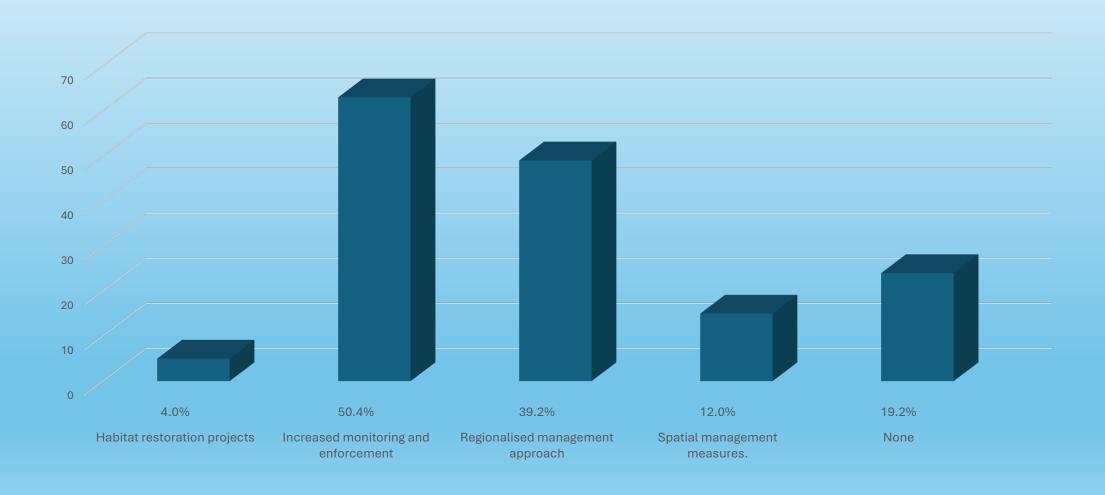


■ Banning of super crabbers from all inshore waters (out to 12nm) ■ Creel numbers

Future Output Controls?



Technical Controls



Future technical controls?



Emerging Themes

There is a strong regional difference

Ban on super crabbers within 12nm

Restriction on creel numbers

No real appetite for output controls

Increased monitoring and enforcement

Regional management approach

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