



Alabama Creel Update

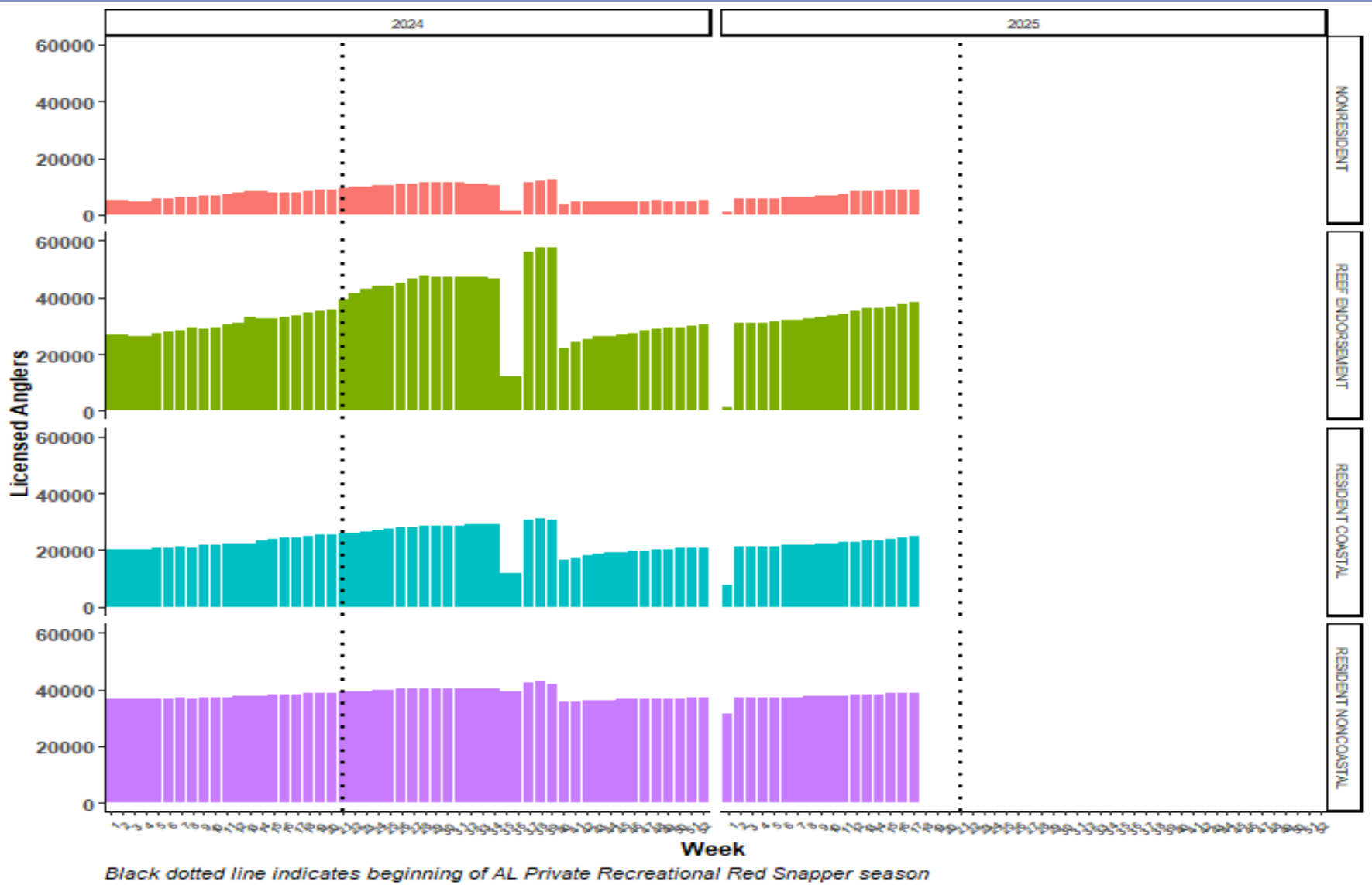
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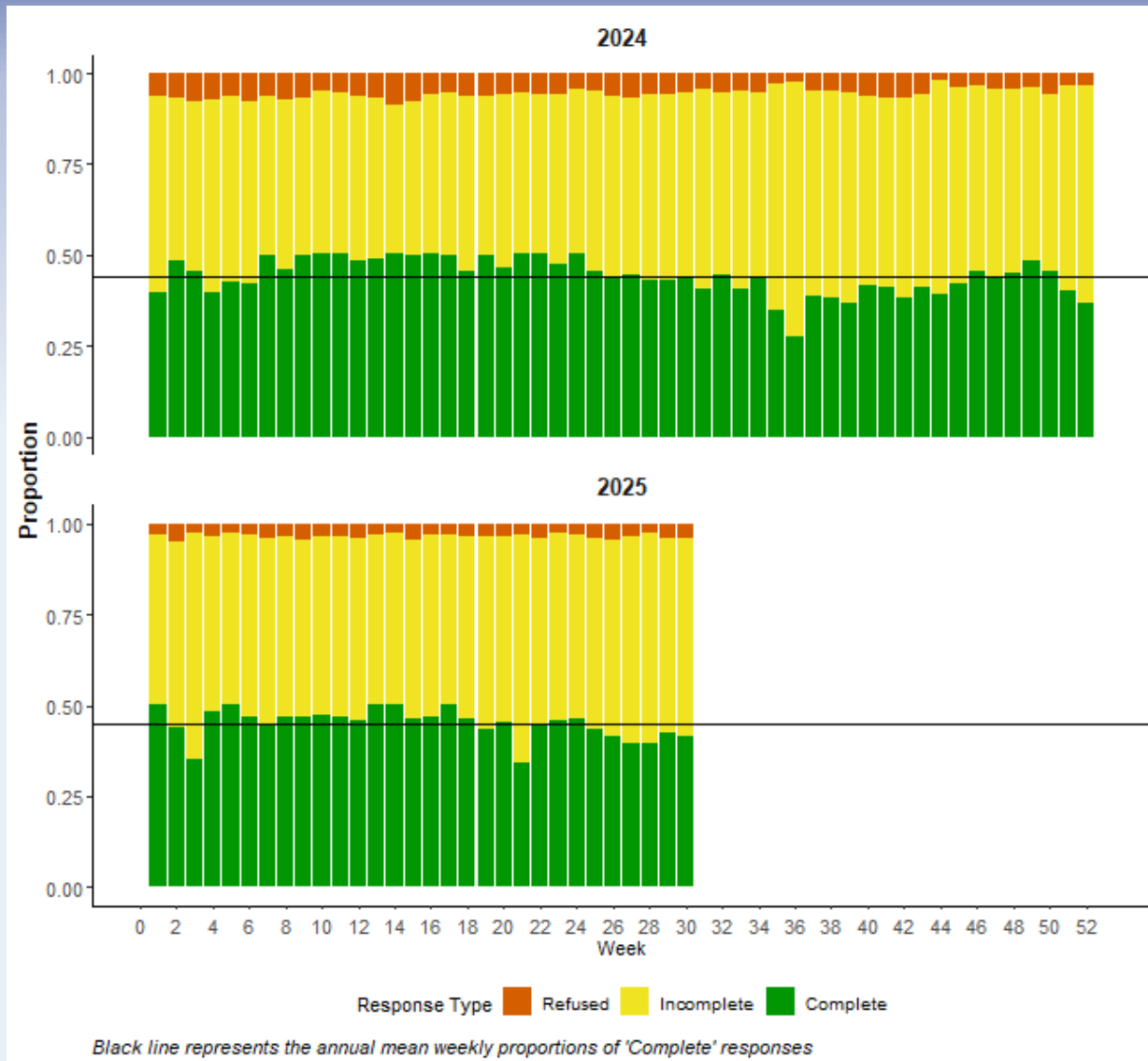
Timeline

- January 1, 2024, began effort telephone survey
- January 1, 2025, full implementation of AL Creel with effort telephone survey & dockside intercepts
- August 13, 2025, virtual conference call with Gulf Transition Team
- September 30, 2025, emailed AL Creel materials to NOAA to review as part of the certification process
 - AL Creel Charter Call and Data Entry Manual
 - AL Creel Program Manual
 - AL Creel Sampler Manual
 - AL Creel Private Angler Effort Survey Manual

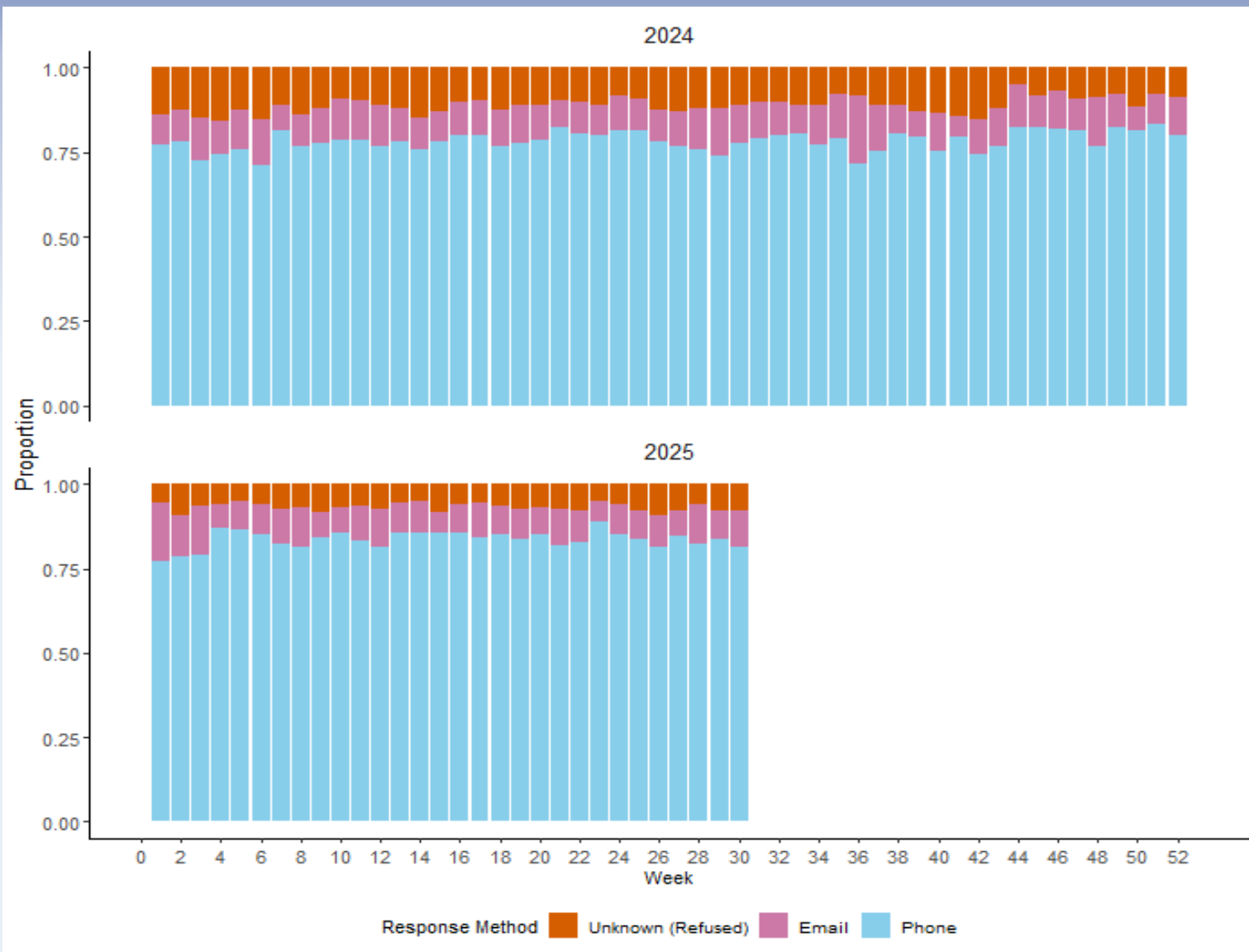
Alabama Saltwater License Totals by Strata



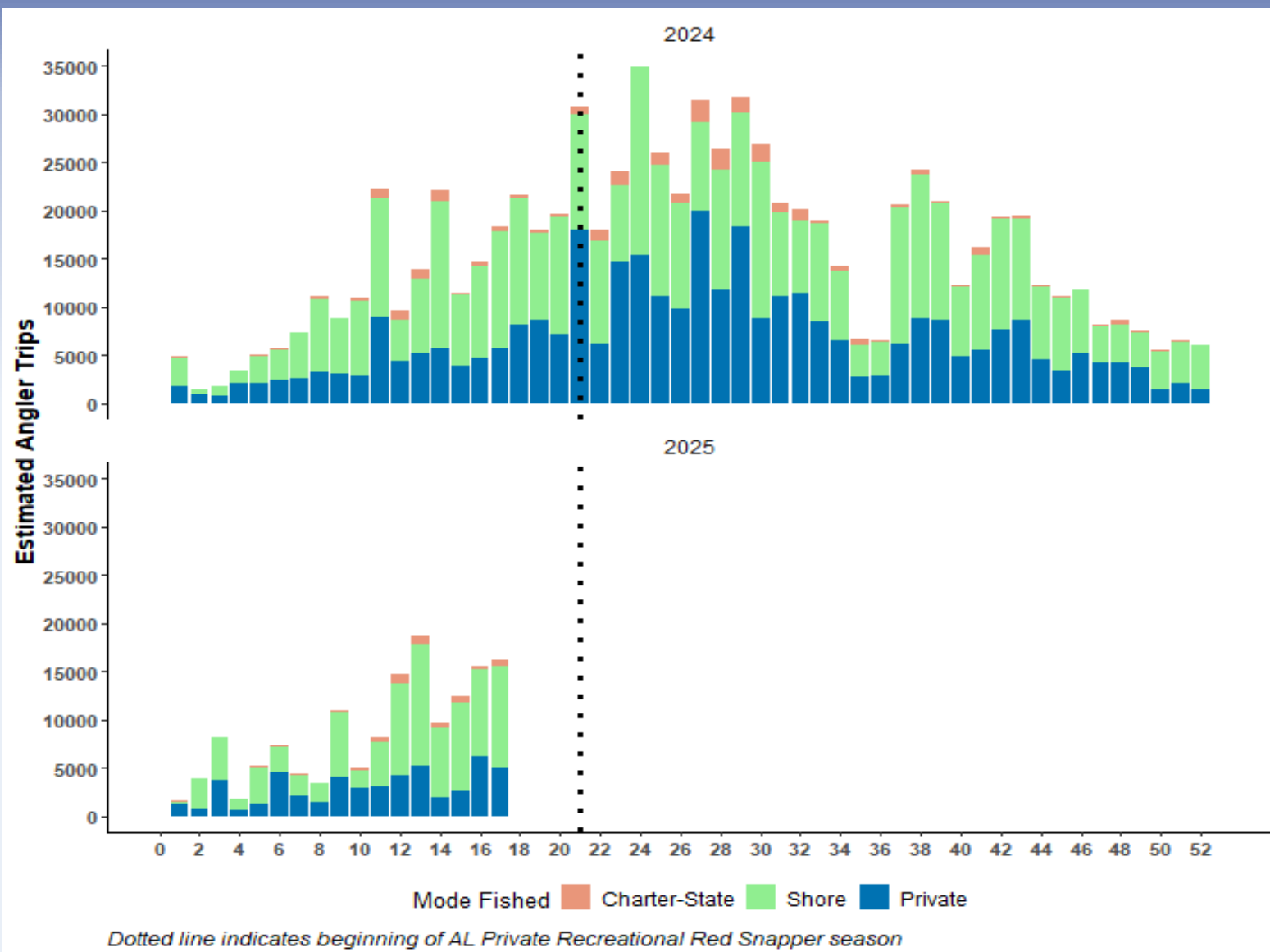
Proportion of Responses



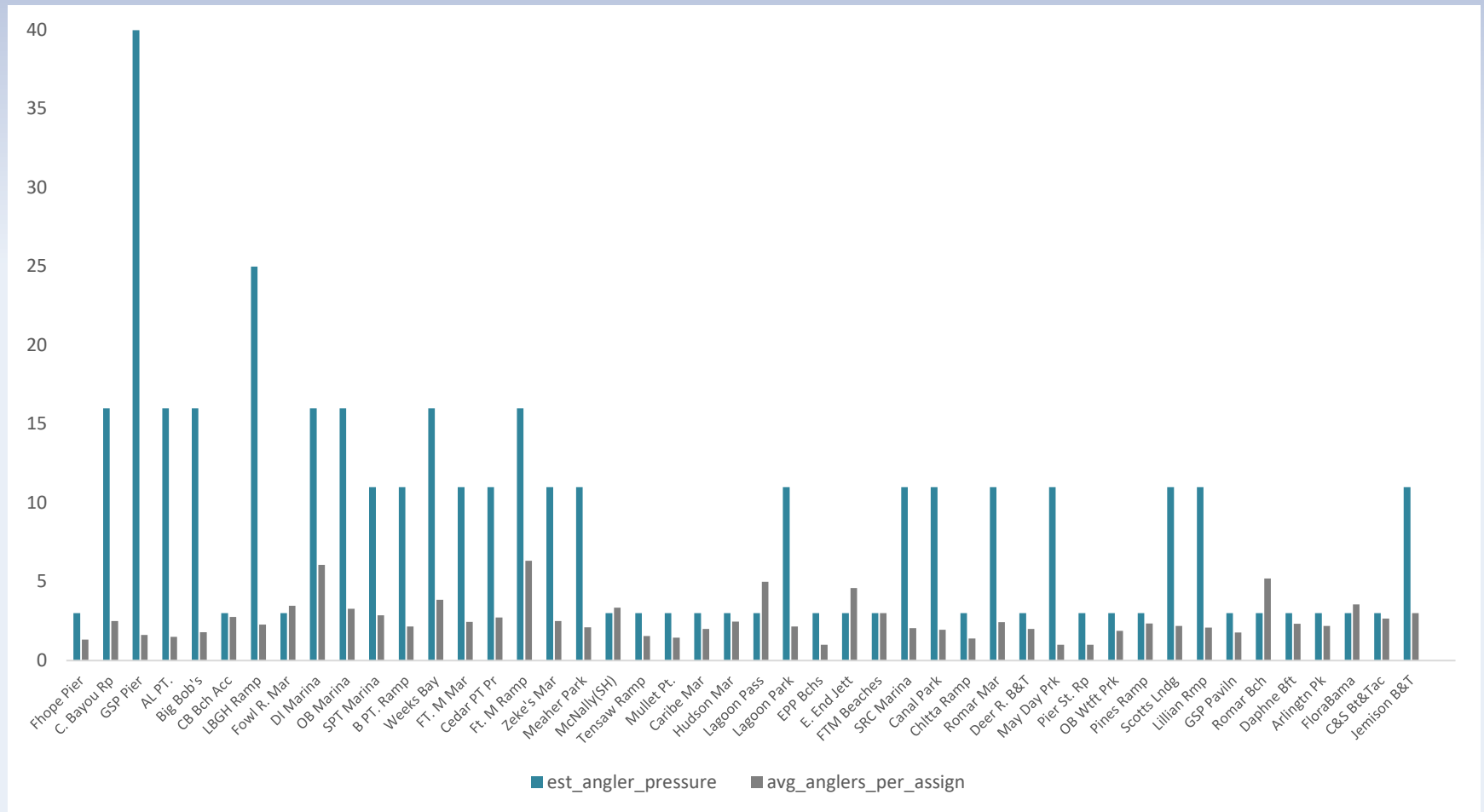
Summary of private effort survey contact methods, 2024 – Wave 2, 2025



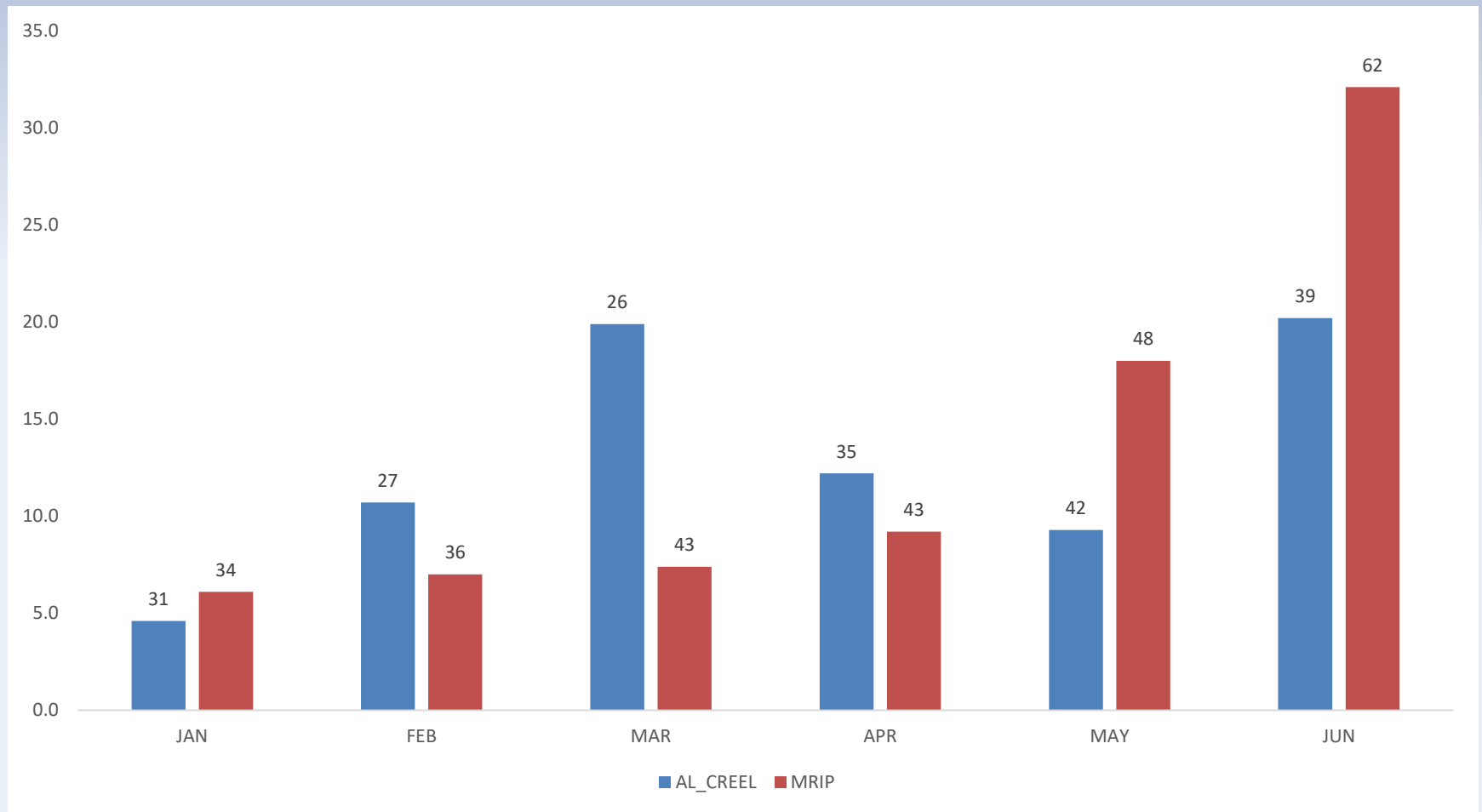
Estimated Weekly Angler Trips by Week and Mode



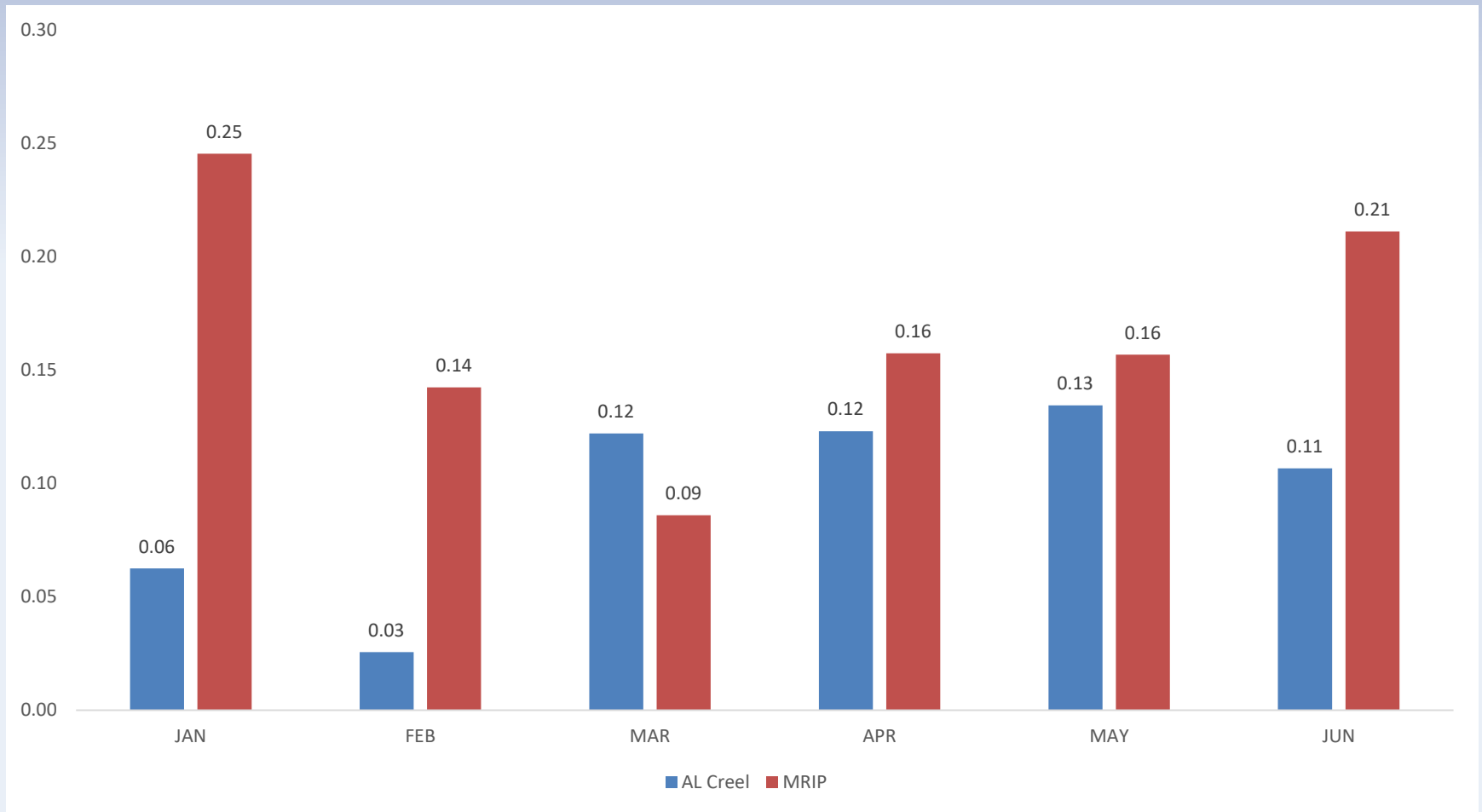
Dockside survey site selection compared to average number of interviews (January 1 thru June 30, 2025)



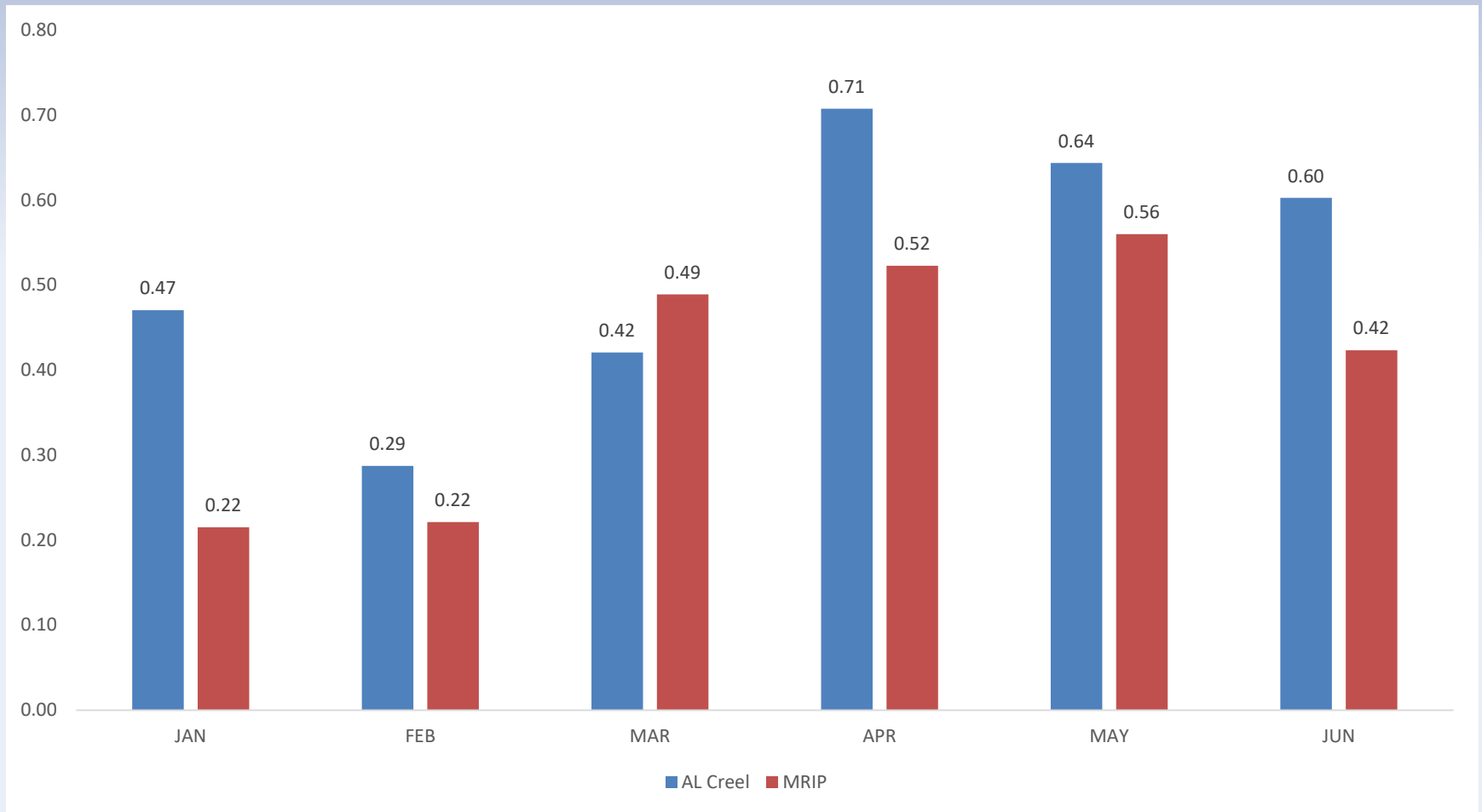
Average Number of Anglers Interviews per Assignment (Number of assignments displayed above bars)



Refusal Rate by Survey and Month



Proportion of Interviews with Biological Data



Next Steps

- Generate 2025 estimates
- Compare 2025 snapper check landings to AL Creel landings
- Compare 2025 APAIS and AL Creel estimates
- Continue certification process
- In 2026 AL Creel is the preferred survey for collecting recreational data in AL