The following table summarizes IFS observer coverage of the Northeast Sea Scallop fishing fleet for the Sea Scallop fishing year, March 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018.

## Limited Access Fleet

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Elephant Trunk Flex	339	59	17.4%	314	43	14	15%
Nantucket Lightship	452	77	17.0%	431	68	16	15%
CA II	367	65	17.7%	366	58	16	15%
MA/GB Open Areas	1496	183	12.2%	1628	145	9	10%
MAAA	808	105	13.0%	701	64	9	10%

## **General Category Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Elephant Trunk Flex	278	138	49.6%	675	43	6	8%
Nantucket Lightship	256	105	41.0%	870	63	7	10%
MA/GB Open Areas	1616	524	32.4%	3305	167	5	5.5%
MAAA	112	36	32.1%	130	13	10	5.5%

- "Calls" refers to the number of IVR notifications received for that specific area and fleet.
- "Observer Assigned" is the number of observer assigned to aforementioned calls.
- "Assigned Coverage" is the percentage of calls that were assigned observers.
- "VMS Trips" is the total number of scallop trips declared through a vessel's VMS unit.
- "Trips Observed" is the number of trips that sailed with an IFS Observer on board.
- "Achieved Coverage" is the realized observer coverage ("Trips Observed"/"VMS Trips")
- "Target Coverage" is the observer coverage rate that FSB strived for.

## Please note:

- Limited Access (LA) trips may be preferred (covered at a higher rate) over LAGC trips by provider companies because of profit incentives, and various other reasons.
- LA trip sail dates may be extended. The observer usually stays assigned to the trip.
- LA trips can change area to be fished and the observer stays assigned to the trip.
- LAGC vessels notify once per calendar week, may fish up to 7 times.
- LAGC vessels may be required by regulations to carry an observer twice during that week.
- LAGC trips often cancel/postpone/change areas due to weather, or other circumstances and observers don't always stay with trip if delayed outside a calendar week.
- We track individual vessel coverage rates for LAGC vessels and won't select if they are above the target coverage rate.