The need for flexibility in the Atlantic Limited Access (LA) scallop fishery has never been greater – and with the rising costs of fuel, insurance, maintenance and more, this need will only become more urgent in coming years. A quick look inside the numbers...

Boats Sitting Idle Most of the Year

In 2022, full-time scallop vessels have been tied to the dock 87% of the year. That means just 48 days on the water (DAS and AA) and 317 days sitting in port.

Did You Know?

**Small Operators Support:** Of the 46 owning entities that signed letters of support for leasing in 2021, 31 operated 4 or fewer scallop vessels.

**The Fleet is Aging:** The average age of a scallop operation’s oldest vessel is 37 years, according to a 2020 survey, dating it to the Reagan Administration!

**Leasing Good for Climate:** Leasing would reduce fuel use by 1.13 million gallons of diesel and slash carbon emissions by 11,548 metric tons of CO2 each year.

The Scallop Advisory Panel and Scallop Committee have the expertise to develop a leasing program that delivers flexibility and protects industry stakeholders. **We can do this!**

Learn more at scalloperscampaign.org