

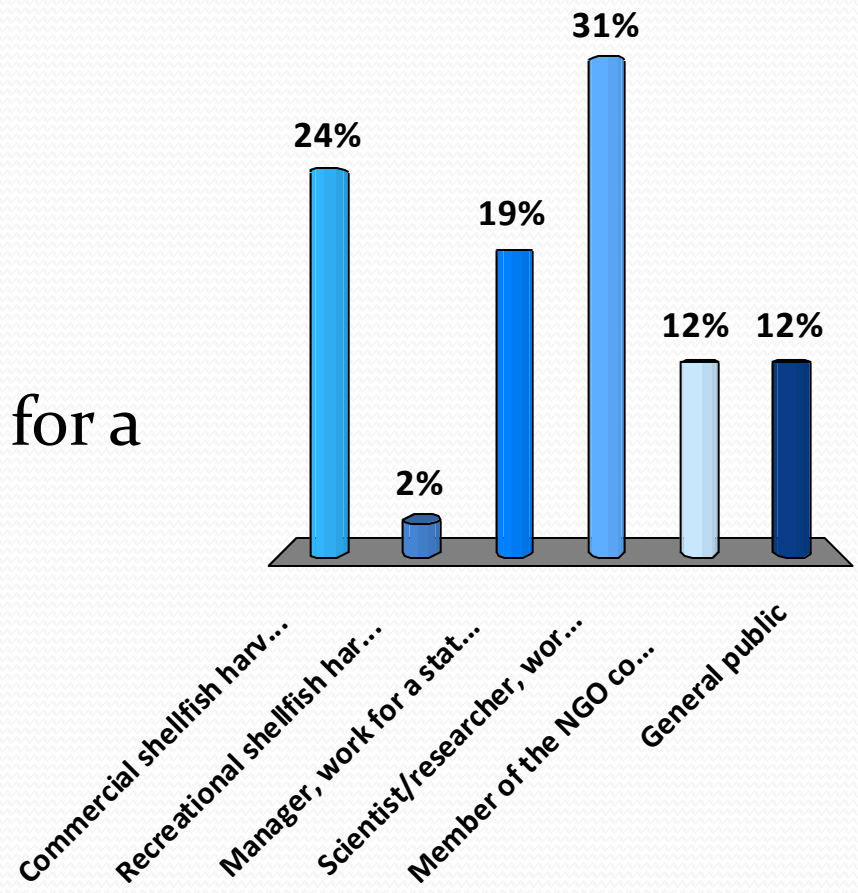
Shellfish Licensing in RI: Structure & Purpose, Status & Trends

“Straw Poll”

September 17th, 2013

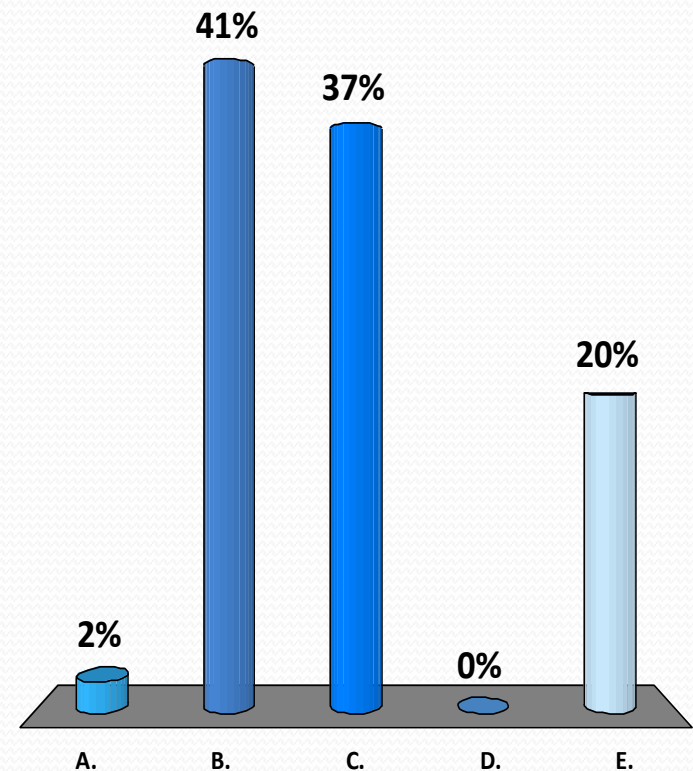
How would you best describe yourself?

- A. Commercial shellfish harvester
- B. Recreational shellfish harvester
- C. Manager, work for a state/federal agency
- D. Scientist/researcher, work for a university
- E. Member of the NGO community, conservation interests
- F. General public



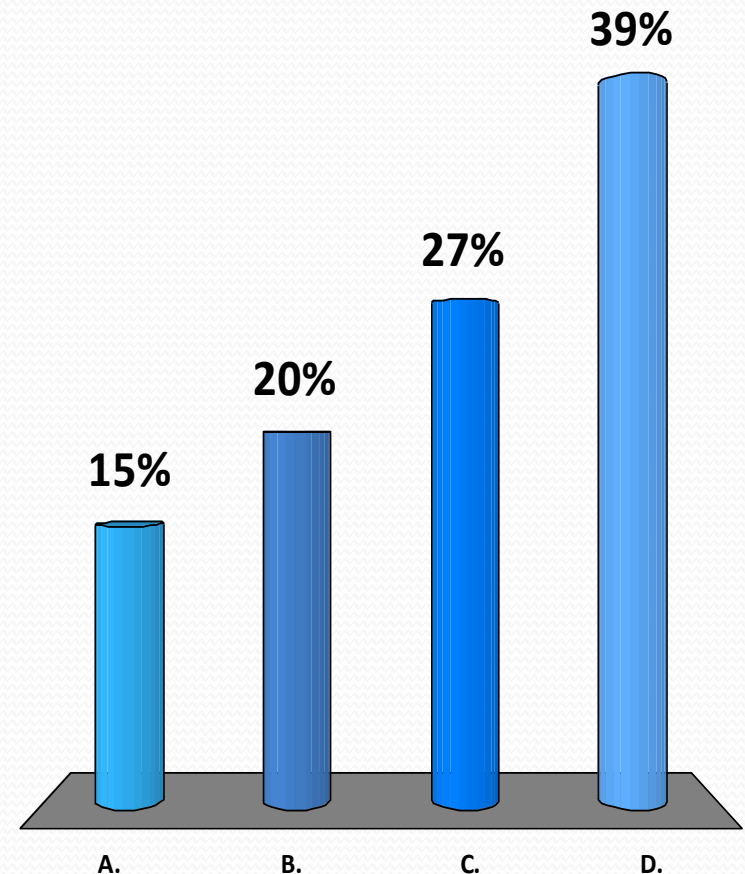
Given what you know and have learned today, do you think the current commercial shellfish licensing system in R.I. is:

- A. **Perfect** – works stellar, wouldn't change a thing!
- B. **Adequate** – works well overall, but would benefit from minor changes
- C. **Mediocre** – barely works but needs significant change
- D. **Inadequate** – needs complete overhaul and re-structuring
- E. **Not sure**, I don't know how to answer this question



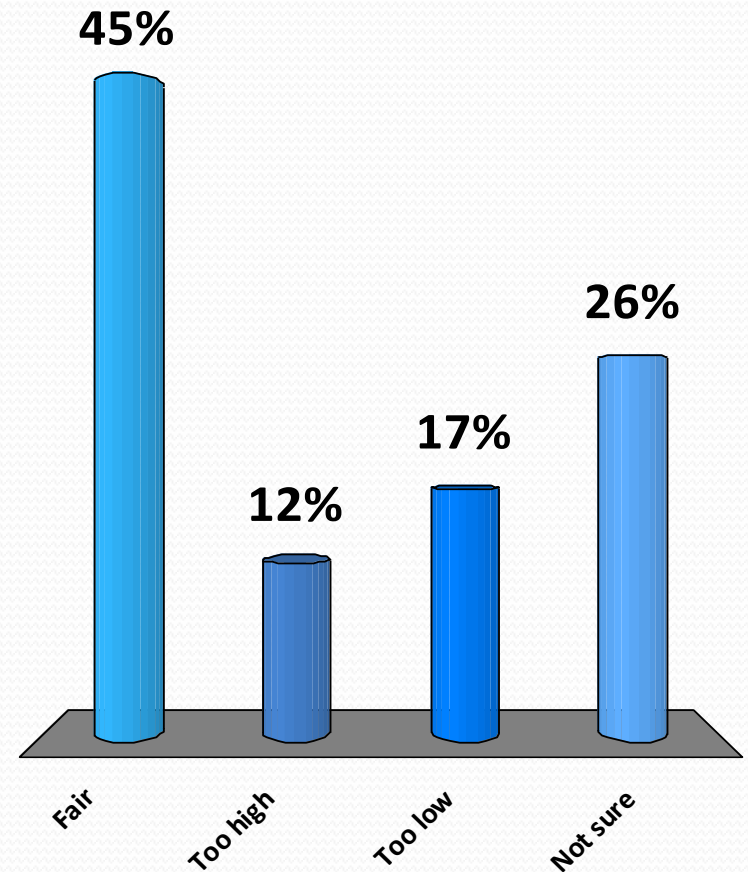
Should commercial shellfish licensing:

- A. Allow fewer people in**
– be more restrictive
- B. Allow more people in**
– be less restrictive
- C. Remain the Same**
- D. Not sure, I don't know**
how to answer this question



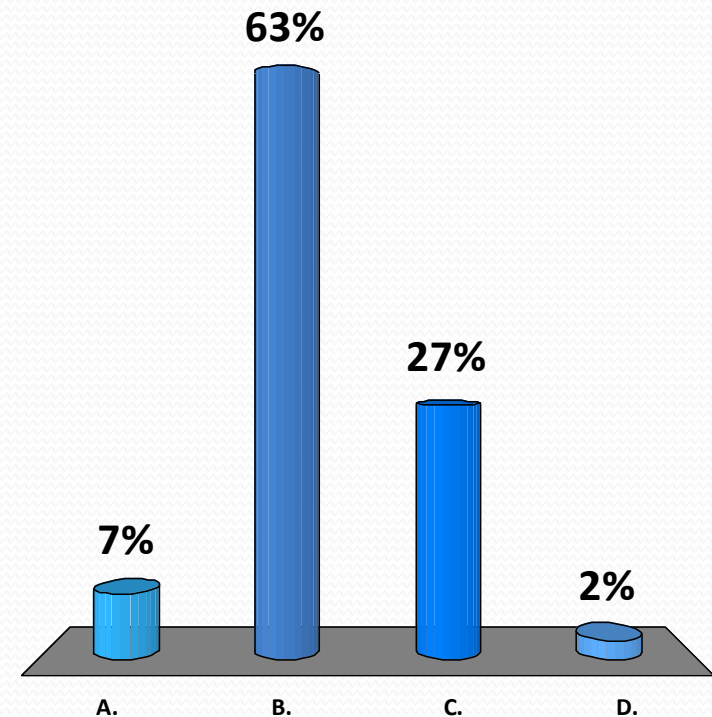
Do you think the current fees for licensing are?

- A. Fair
- B. Too high
- C. Too low
- D. Not sure



Given what you already know and have heard tonight, how do you rate your understanding of the commercial shellfish licensing structure?

- A. **Great** – I understand it perfectly, like the back of my hand!
- B. **Good** – I understand the system fairly well, I feel comfortable explaining it to others
- C. **Fair** – I understand some parts but there are still a lot of gaps in my understanding
- D. **Poor** – I have no clear understanding of how it works, I'm totally lost!



Do you plan to attend the follow-up session on licensing on October 8th from 5-7pm at the URI Bay campus to express your concerns, suggestions, ideas?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. Would like to, but have to check my schedule
- D. Would like to, but cannot make that date/time

