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OF FISH
AND GAME**

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Alaska Department of Fish & Game Overview



Senate Resources Committee

January 30, 2013

Mission Statement

- Based upon the Alaska State Constitution (Article 8) and Alaska Statutes (Title 16)
 - To protect, maintain, and improve the fish, game, and aquatic plant resources of the state, and manage their uses and development in the best interest of the economy and the well-being of the people of the state, consistent with the sustained yield principle.

The Constitution of the State of Alaska

Article 8 - Natural Resources

§ 4. Sustained Yield

Fish, forests, wildlife, grasslands, and all other replenishable resources belonging to the State shall be utilized, developed, and maintained on the sustained yield principle, subject to preferences among beneficial uses.

The Alaska Statutes

Title 16. FISH AND GAME

Sec. 16.05.020. Functions of commissioner.

(2) manage, protect, maintain, improve, and extend the fish, game and aquatic plant resources of the state in the interest of the economy and general well-being of the state;

ADF&G Core Services

- **Harvest Management**: Provide opportunity to utilize fish and wildlife resources
- **Stock Assessment**: Ensure sustainability and harvestable surplus of fish and wildlife resources
- **Customer Service**: Provide information to all customers
- **Public Involvement**: Involve the public in management of fish and wildlife resources
- **State Sovereignty**: Protect the state's sovereignty to manage fish and wildlife resources
- **Habitat Protection**: Protect important fish and wildlife habitat during permit and project review

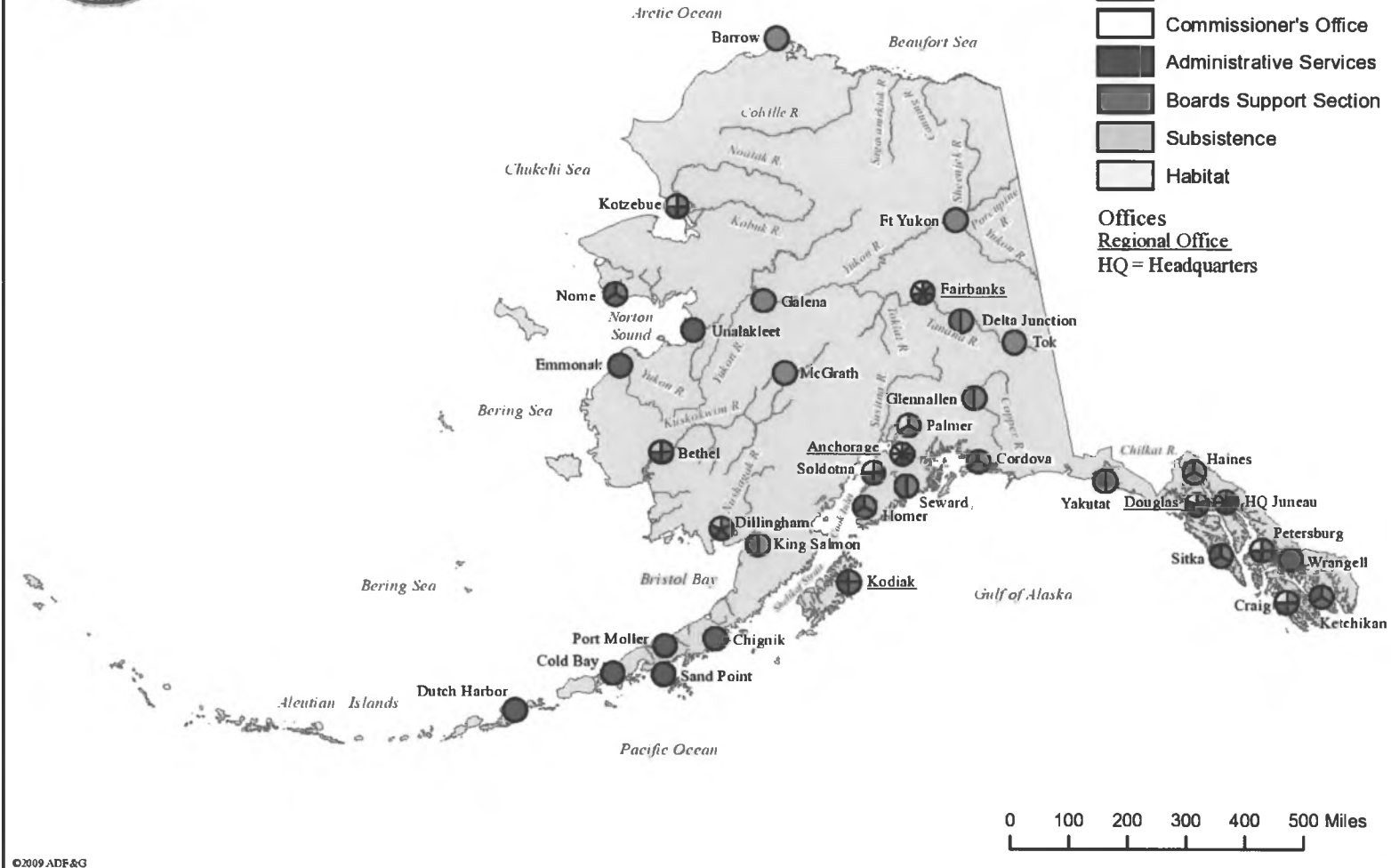


Alaska Department of Fish and Game Regional and Area Offices

ADF&G Divisions

- Commercial Fisheries
- Sport Fish
- Wildlife Conservation
- Commissioner's Office
- Administrative Services
- Boards Support Section
- Subsistence
- Habitat

Offices
Regional Office
 HQ = Headquarters



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Divisions of ADF&G

Commercial Fisheries

To protect, maintain, and improve the fish, shellfish, and aquatic plant resources of the state, consistent with the sustained yield principle, for the maximum benefit of the economy and the people of Alaska.



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Sport Fish

To protect and improve the state's recreational fisheries resources.



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Wildlife Conservation

To conserve and enhance Alaska's wildlife and habitats and provide for a wide range of public uses and benefits.



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Subsistence

To scientifically quantify, evaluate and report information about customary and traditional uses of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources.



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Habitat

To protect Alaska's valuable fish and wildlife resources and their habitats as Alaska's population and economy continue to expand.



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Administrative Services

Provides routine administrative services for the department and coordinates development of the annual operating and capital budget.



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Board Support Section

Ensures that the public process for the state's fish and wildlife regulatory system operates efficiently and effectively.



Independent Agencies

Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission

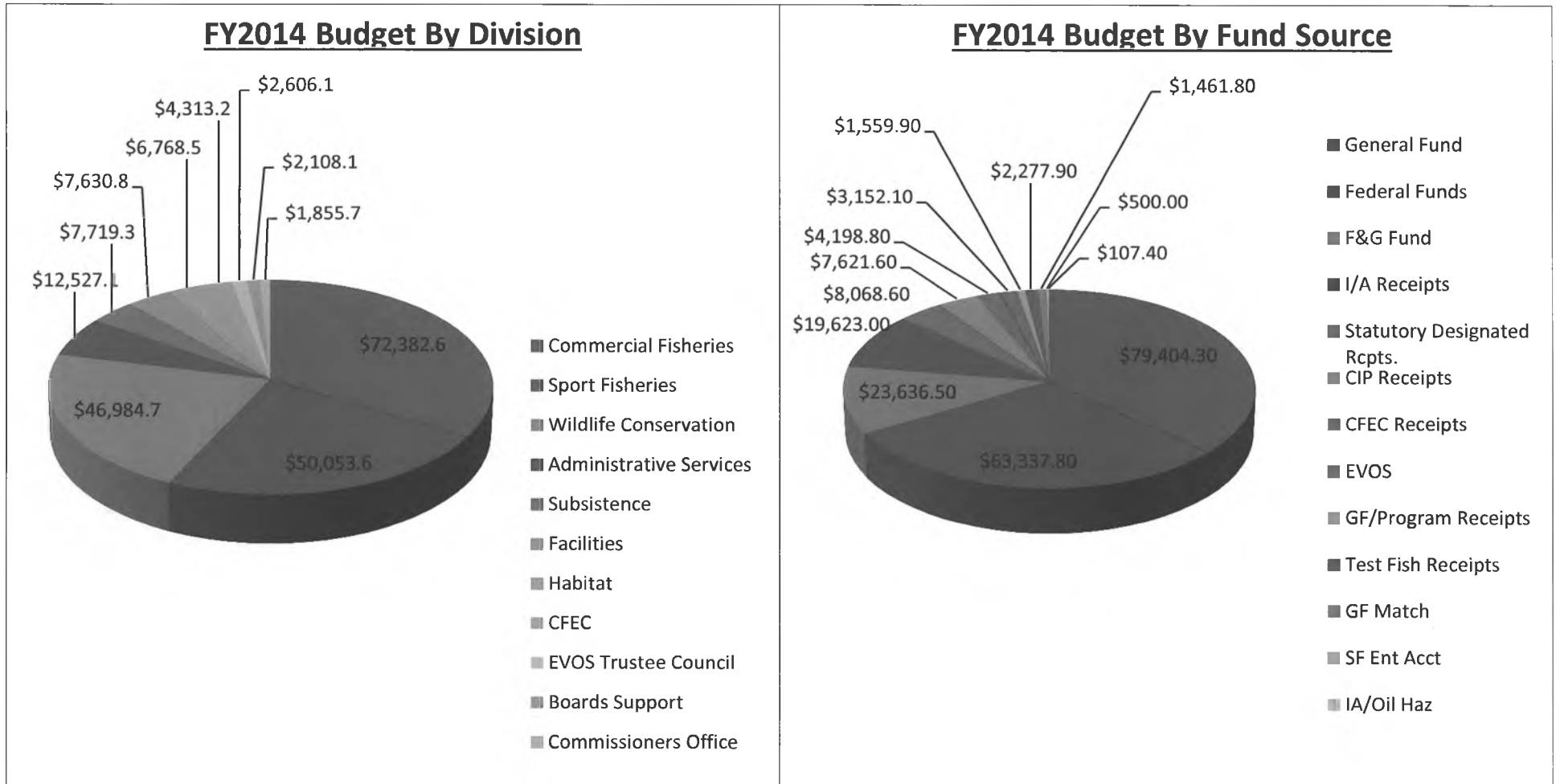
To control entry into Alaska's commercial fisheries to promote conservation of Alaska's fishery resources and economic health of commercial fishing.

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

To efficiently restore the environment injured by the Exxon Valdez oil spill to a healthy, productive ecosystem, while taking into account the importance of quality of life and the need for viable opportunities to establish and sustain reasonable standard of living.

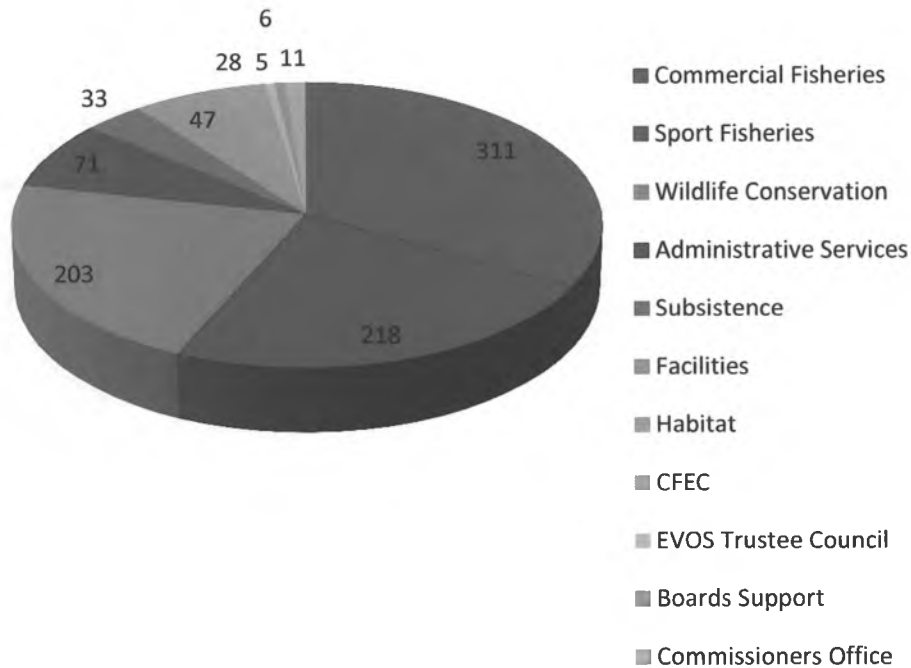
FY2014 Budget By Division & Fund Source

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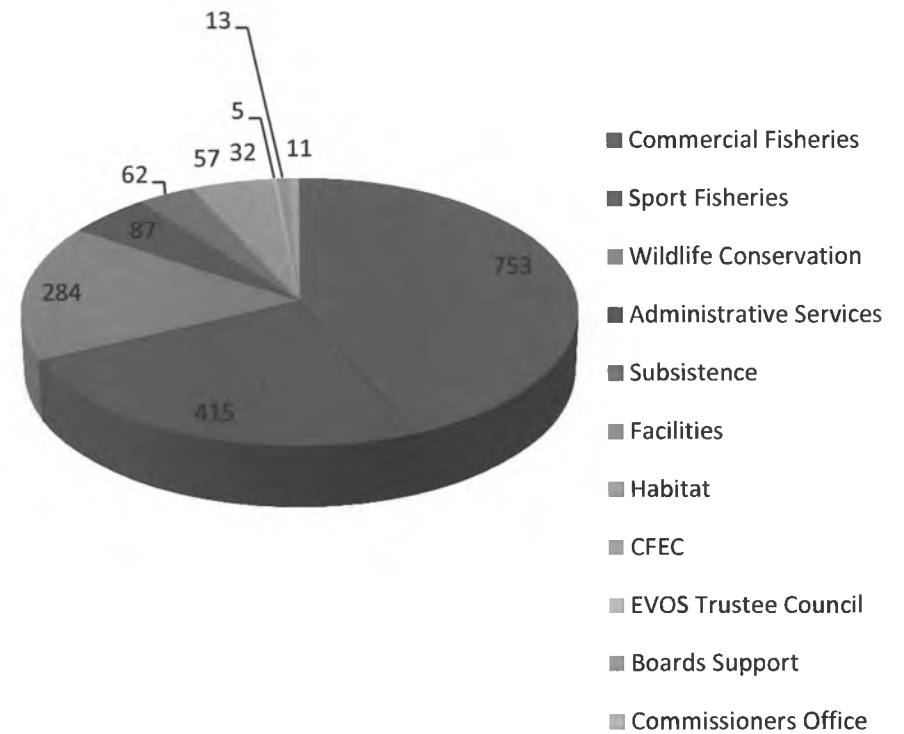


FY2014 Budgeted Positions

FY2014 Full-Time Positions
(933)



FY2014 Total Positions
(1,719)



Major Accomplishments in 2012

Improvements to Salmon Research

Intensive Management

Subsistence Harvest Surveys

Habitat Permitting

Sport Fish Hatchery Production

Issues and Challenges

Chinook Salmon Abundance and Productivity

Increased Fishing and Economic Opportunities

Reductions in Salmon Management Tools

State Sovereignty and Endangered Species Issues

Invasive Species

Licensing Modernization

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