

Commercial Fisheries Port Profile Project

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Background & Methodology

First Port Profile report was released in April 2021

- Overview of commercial fishing statewide and at the municipal level
- Described available commercial fishing infrastructure at the port level as well as challenges to access and infrastructure
- Provided recommendations for future infrastructure improvements

Data sources

- Harbormaster Survey
- Commercial Fisher Survey
- Commercial Fisheries Statistics data

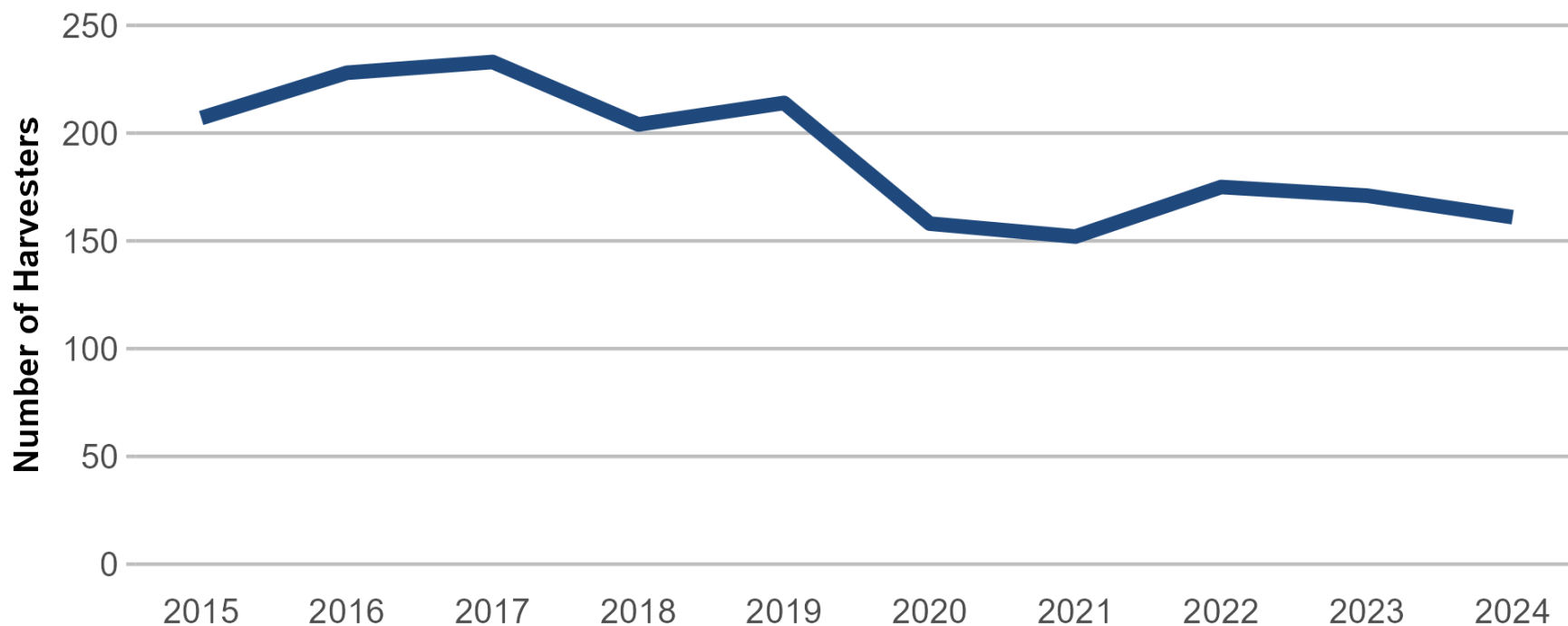
2026 Improvements

- Survey updates
- 10-year time series for fisheries statistics data



Dukes County

Active Harvesters Landing in Dukes County Annually



Data Source: ACCSP Data Warehouse, as of September 2025

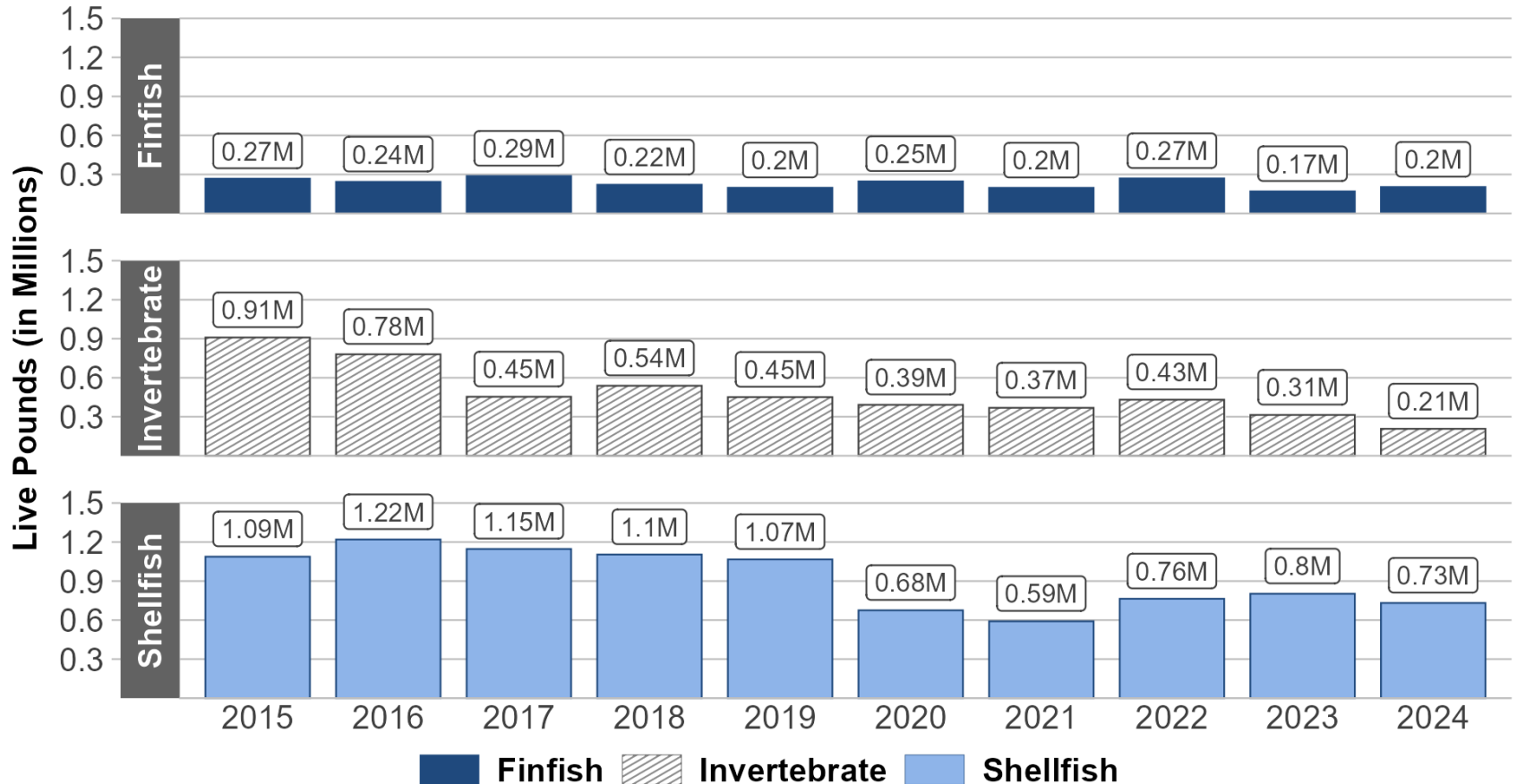
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Dukes County

Dukes County Annual Landings by Species Category



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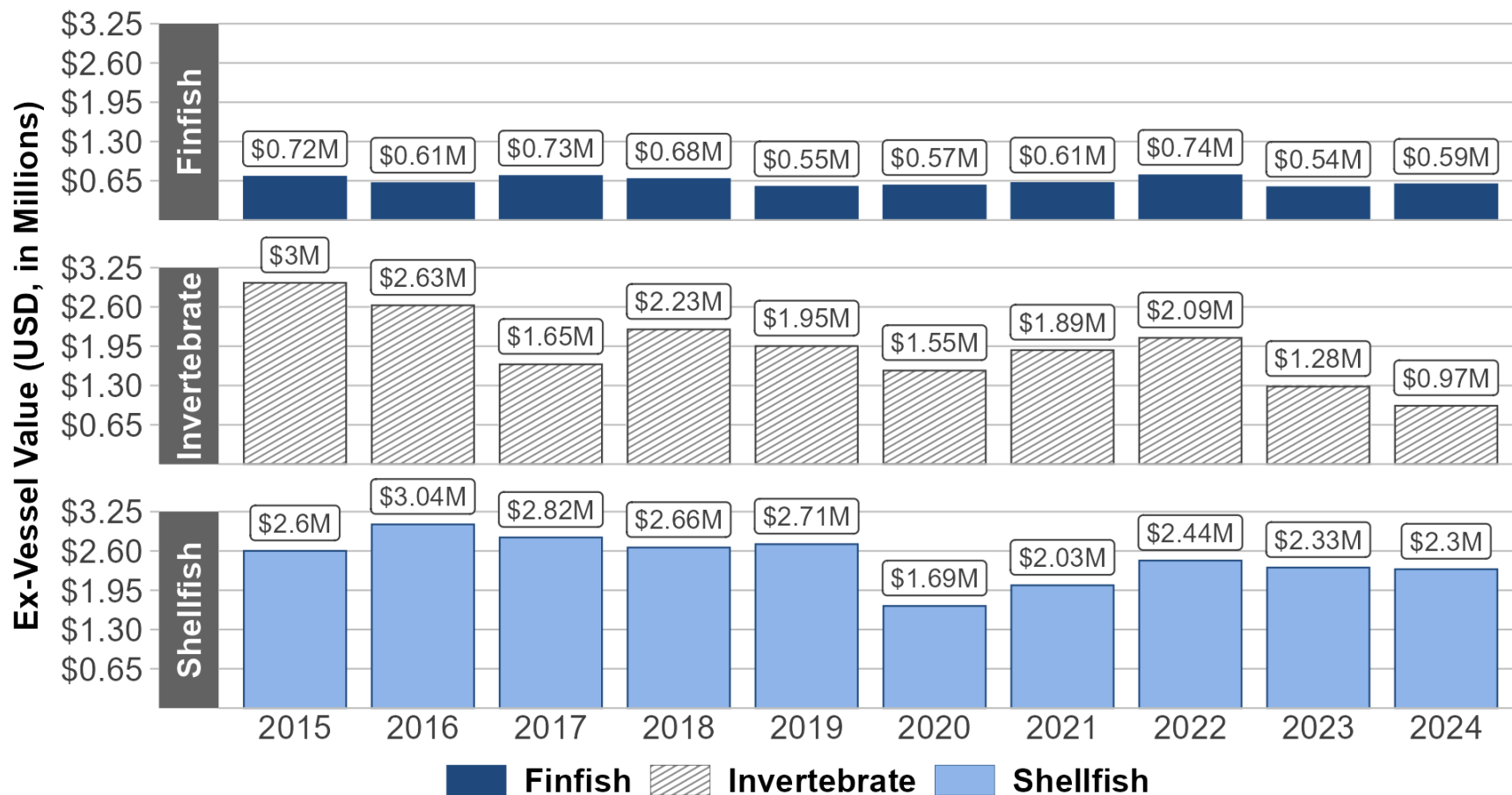
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Dukes County Annual Ex-Vessel Value by Species Category



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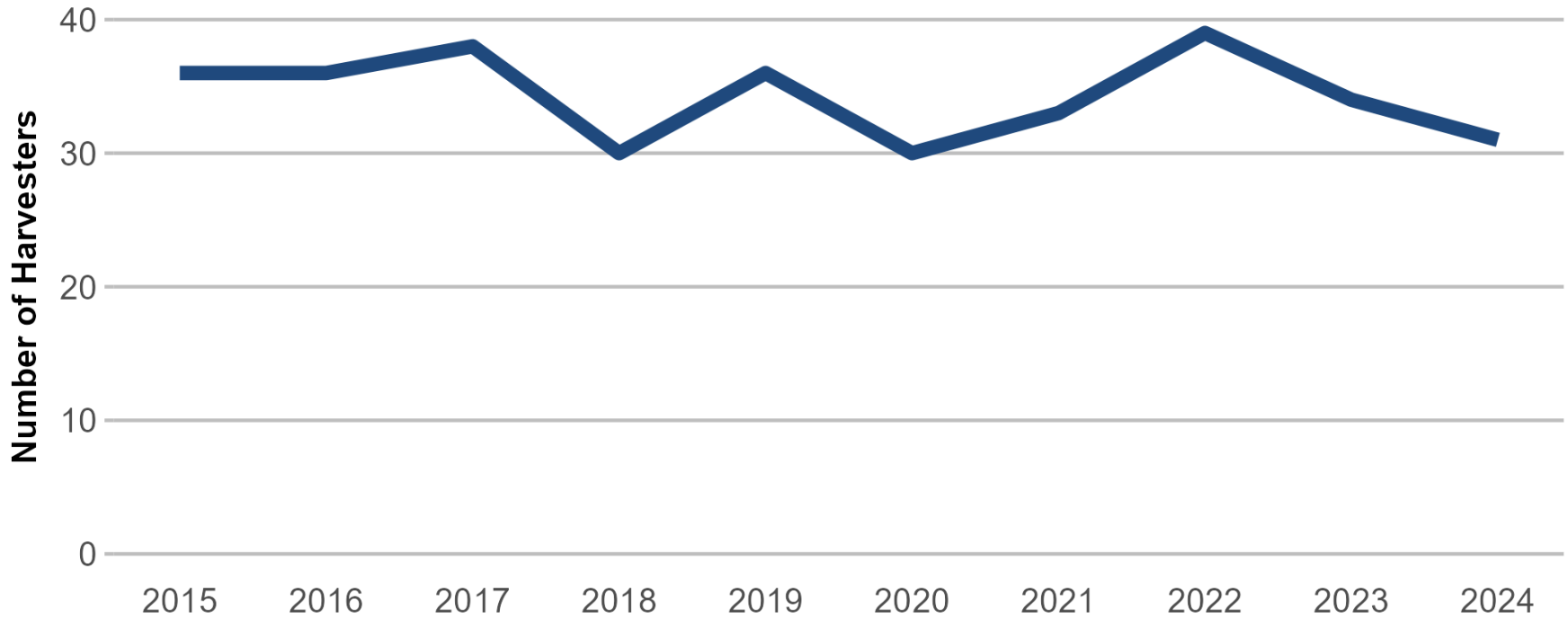
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Tisbury Active Harvesters

Active Harvesters Landing in Tisbury Annually



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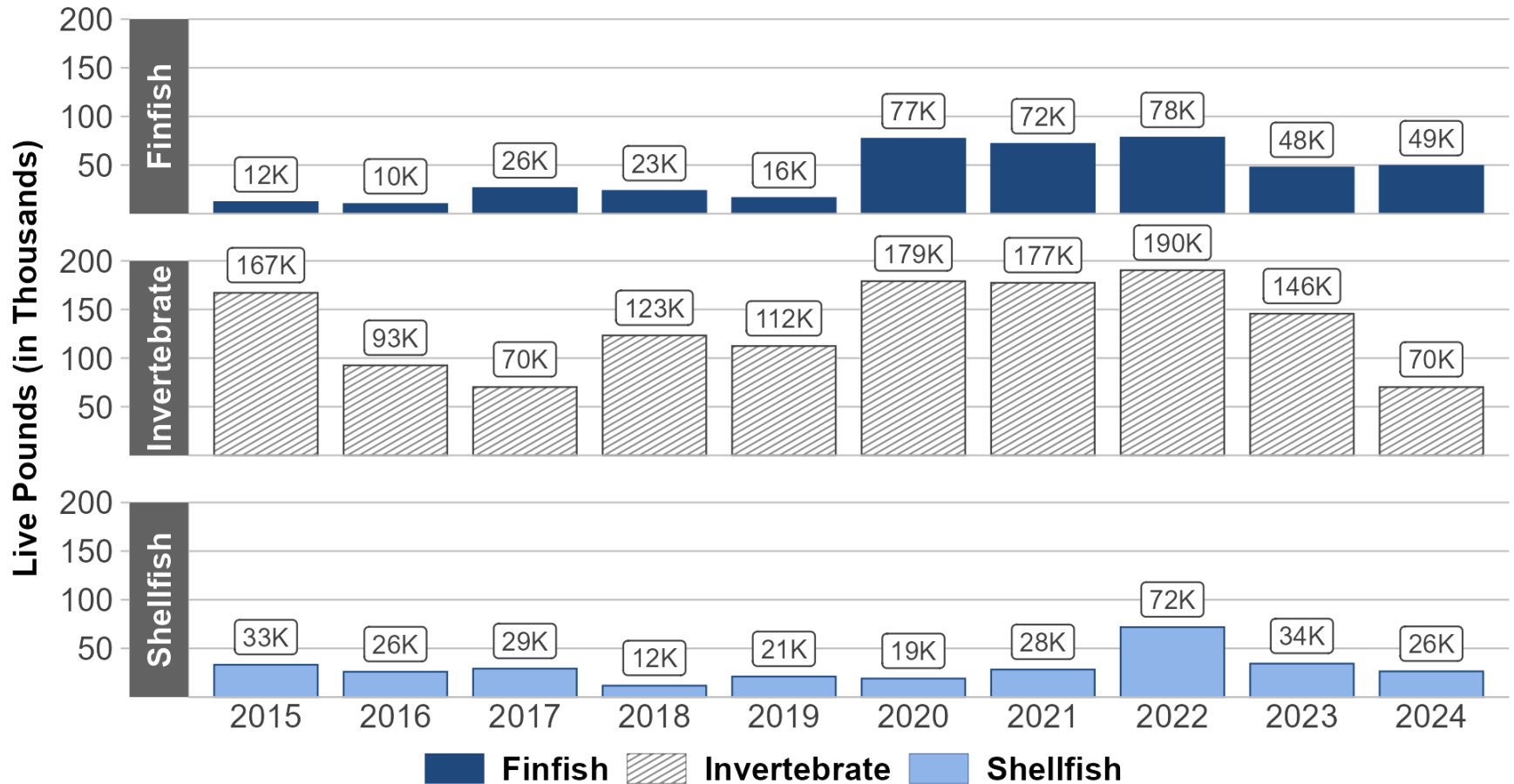
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Tisbury Commercial Landings

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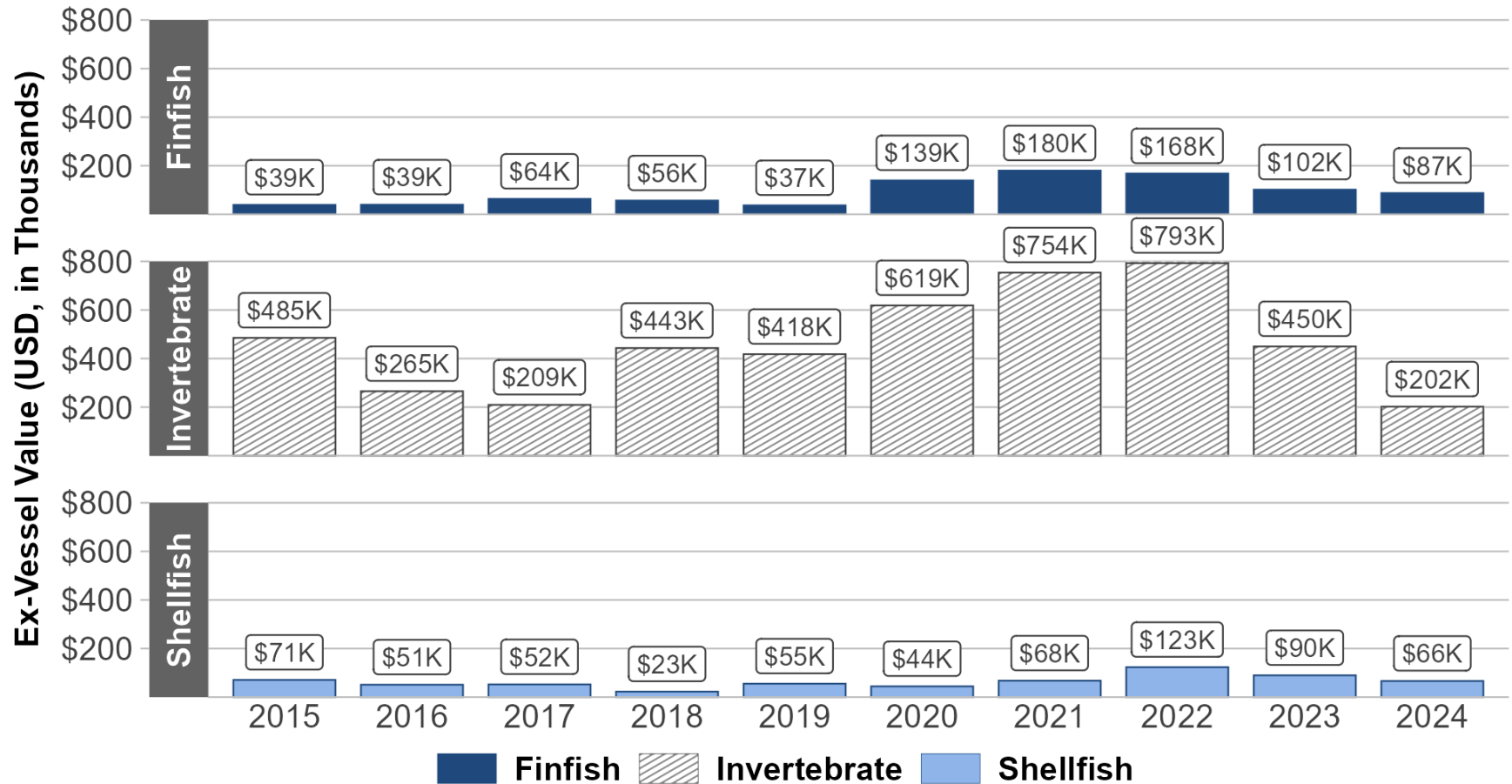
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Tisbury Commercial Value

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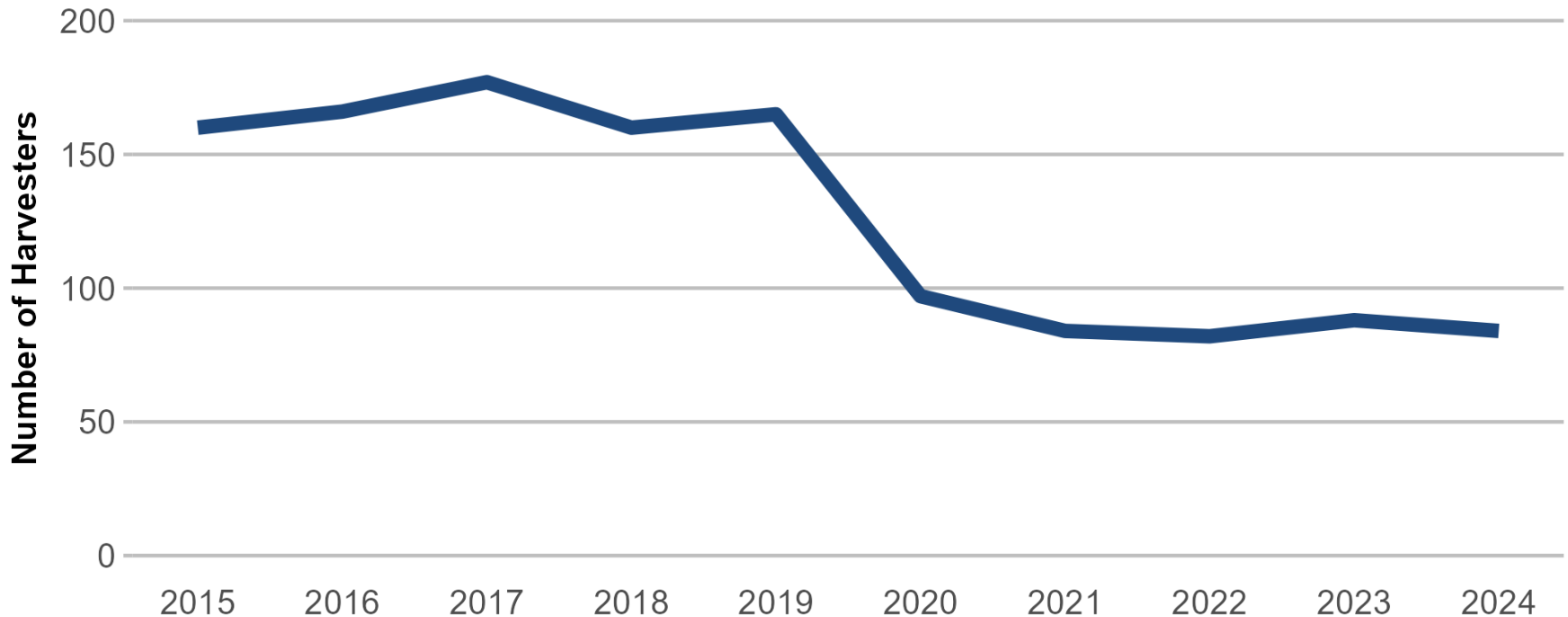
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Chilmark Active Harvesters

Active Harvesters Landing in Chilmark Annually



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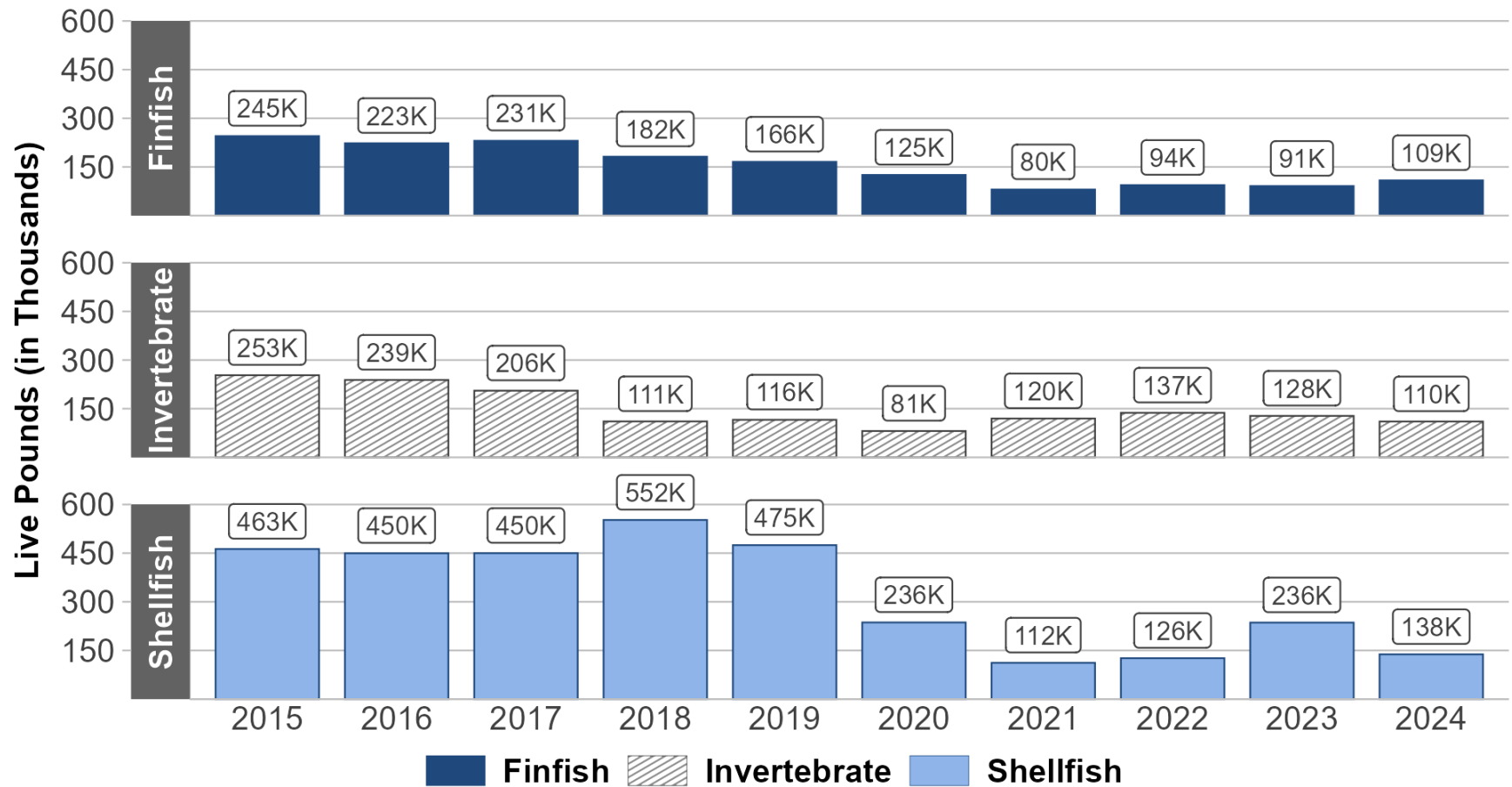
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Chilmark Commercial Landings

Chilmark Annual Landings by Species Category



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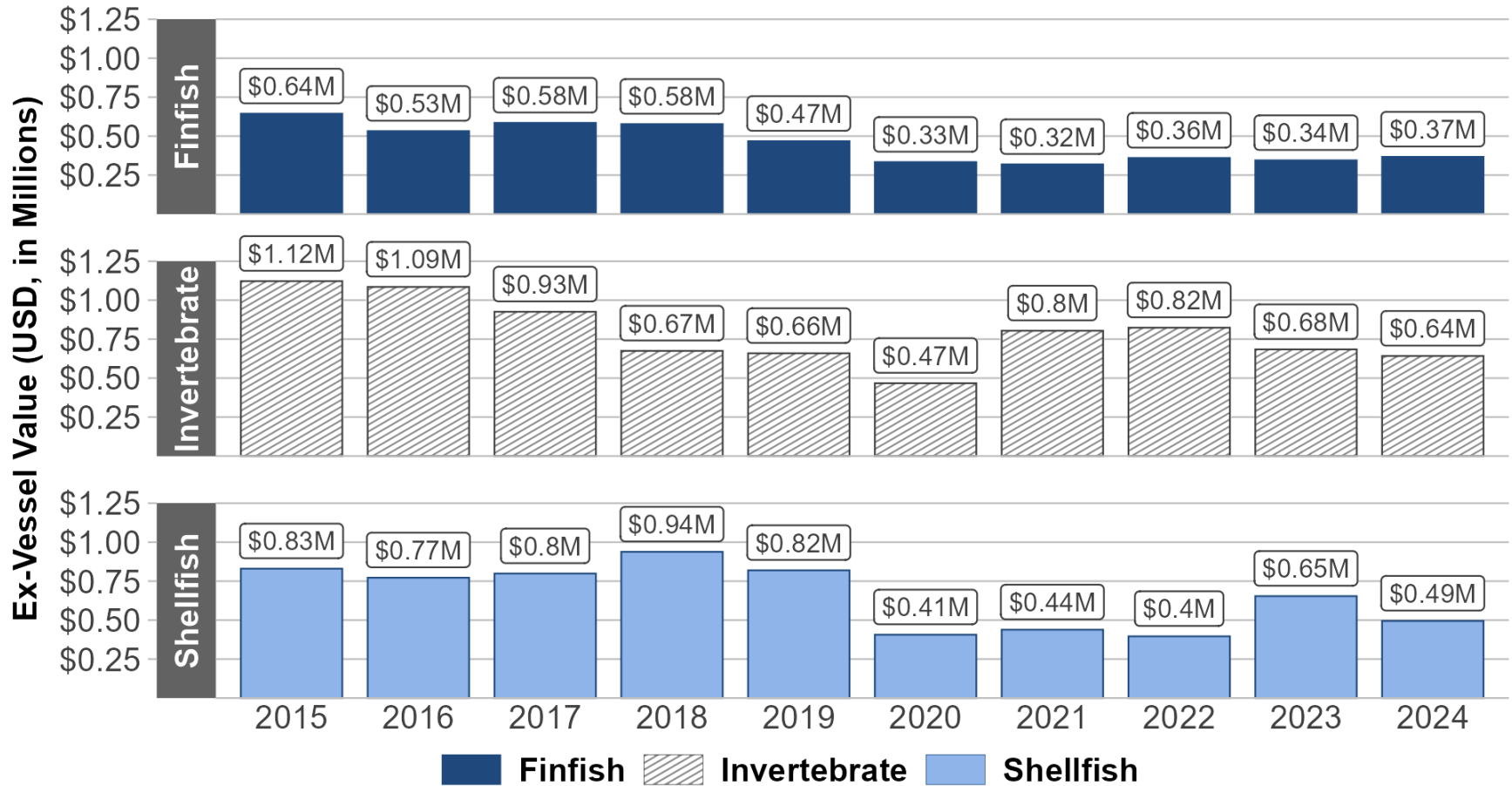
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Chilmark Commercial Value

Chilmark Annual Ex-Vessel Value by Species Category



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Infrastructure Survey Results

• Chilmark

Infrastructure/Service	Yes/No
Mooring space	Yes
Trash disposal	Yes
Commercial offloading	Yes
Hoist	Yes
Ice	Yes
Dock space	Yes
Fueling stations	Yes
Vessel repair	No
Parking for fishermen	Yes
Parking for seafood trucks	Yes
Launch ramp	Yes
Gear storage	No
Broadside berthing	Yes
Bait Storage	Yes

• Tisbury

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Infrastructure Survey Results

- **Chilmark**

- Highlights

- New crane
 - Recent dock repairs

- Challenges

- Shallow water
 - Parking

- Improvements Needed

- Repairs to existing infrastructure
 - Dredging

- **Tisbury**

- Challenges

- Dock space
 - Parking

- Improvements Needed

- Dock repairs
 - The addition of ice and gear storage
 - Improved parking, including parking management

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Statewide Challenges & Recommendations

Challenges

- Vulnerable infrastructure to changing environmental conditions
- Limited waterfront space and competing user groups
- Parking, need for dredging, lack of dedicated commercial dockage and moorings

Recommendations

- Dredging programs & funding
- Programs to support working waterfronts
- New sources of funding for public and private projects

Questions

