This form provides daily updates for two survey vessels conducting fisheries surveys in waters off Alaska during August and September 2012: The F/V Alaska Knight is conducting a bottom trawl survey in the Chukchi Sea and the F/V Bristol Explorer is conducting a surface trawl / acoustic survey, as well as plankton and oceanographic surveys, in the Chukchi Sea and northern Bering Sea. The attached maps show planned sampling locations, stations completed to date, and stations planned for today. The survey schedules for the vessels are:

**Bottom Trawl Survey (F/V Alaska Knight):**

- **Aug 9** Depart Dutch Harbor  
- **Aug 12/13** Nome, pick up scientists  
- **Aug 14-30** Northern Chukchi Sea  
- **Aug 31/Sep1** Nome, crew change  
- **Sep 2-18** Southern Chukchi Sea  
- **Sep 24** Return to Dutch Harbor

**Surface Trawl Survey (F/V Bristol Explorer):**

- **Aug 3** Depart Dutch Harbor  
- **Aug 6-23** Southern Chukchi Sea  
- **Aug 24/25** Nome, crew change  
- **Aug 26-Sep10** Northern Chukchi Sea  
- **Sep 11/12** Nome, crew change  
- **Sep 13-25** Northern Bering Sea  
- **Sep 28** Return to Dutch Harbor, offload

**Notes from the field:**

**F/V Bristol Explorer** (from Alex Andrews): We have completed all stations planned for today. In addition, we completed one midwater trawl. Catches have been relatively small. We are enjoying calm seas and a pleasant Arctic summer.

Total catches for Friday 8/10 for the three main stations combined:  
(67.00 N, 164.66 W; 67.50 N, 164.58 W; 67.50 N, 165.89 W):

- adult chum – 11  
- herring - 41  
- capelin – 4336  
- saffron cod - 1  
- Bering wolffish – 14  
- alligatorfish – 1  
- great sculpin – 1  
- Arctic staghorn sculpin - 1  
- slender eelblenny – 5  
- all jellyfish - 200 kg

In addition, one midwater trawl (67.50 N, 166.11 W) caught 189 kg of jellyfish.

**Birds of the day:** shearwaters, Arctic terns, murres, phalaropes, and parasitic & pomarine jaegers

**F/V Alaska Knight:** No update, in transit to Nome!

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