

## **Abstract**

The licensing system utilized by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game for issuing commercial crewmember licenses is practical, enabling participants in the commercial fisheries of Alaska to obtain licenses easily from vendors across the state, including in remote locations. The licenses are issued annually, however with no definitive information linking a license holder from one year to licenses held in other years. A previous study attempted to identify individuals in the crewmember license data and assigned each a unique identification number. This unique identification number allows a license holder to be identified in each year they held a commercial crewmember license. In this report, the license longevity, or number of years in which a license holder has held a commercial crewmember license, was determined using the unique identification number. License longevity is summarized for all license holders, for resident and nonresident license holders, and for license holders by Alaskan community. The difficulties in summarizing license longevity are discussed. Age data of license holders are examined and compared to license longevity.