

# Pacific ocean perch 2017 Assessment

## Biology and Data

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## Model Summary

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Estimated Stock Size and Status

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## Biology

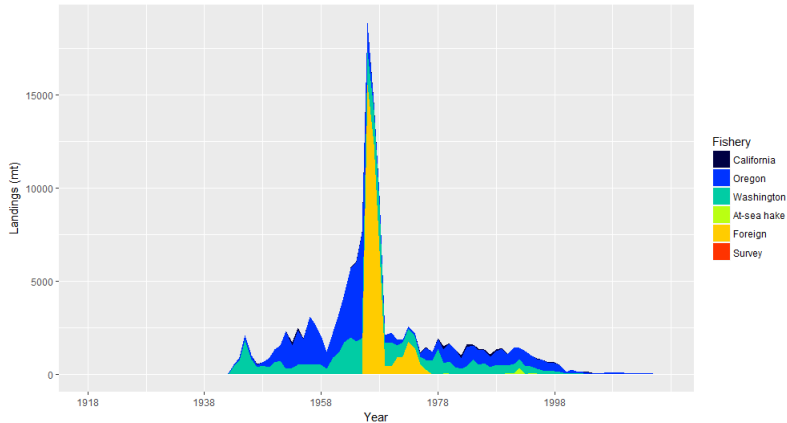
## Removals

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## Length Compositions

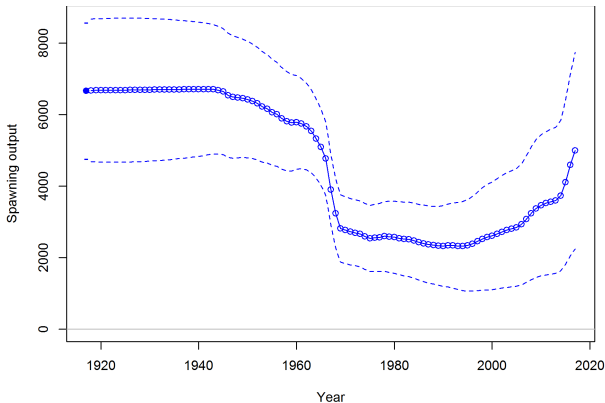
## Age Compositions

# Landings

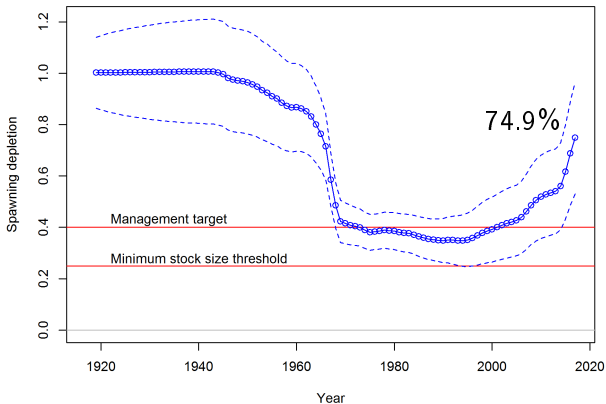


Year	CA	OR	WA	At-sea	Survey	Total Landings
2007	0.15	83.65	45.12	4.05	0.58	133.55
2008	0.39	58.64	16.61	15.93	0.80	92.36
2009	0.92	58.74	33.22	1.56	2.72	97.17
2010	0.14	58.00	22.29	16.87	1.68	98.98
2011	0.12	30.26	19.66	9.17	1.94	61.14
2012	0.18	30.41	21.79	4.52	1.62	58.51
2013	0.08	34.86	14.83	5.41	1.71	56.89
2014	0.18	33.91	15.82	3.92	0.57	54.40
2015	0.12	38.05	11.41	8.71	1.59	59.88
2016	0.23	40.81	13.12	10.30	3.10	67.56

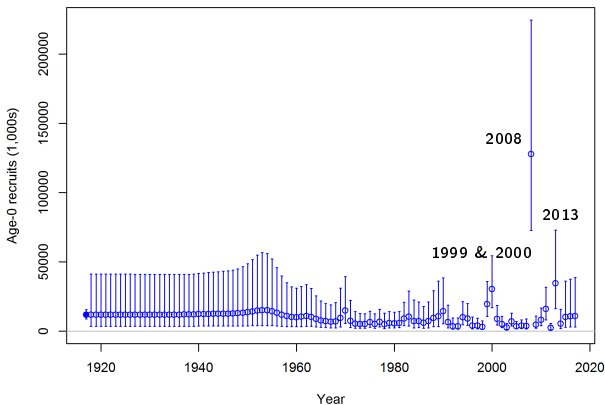
# Spawning Output



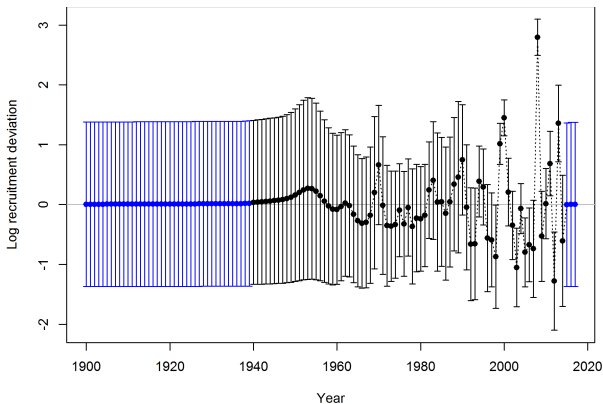
# Relative Depletion



# Estimated Annual Recruitment

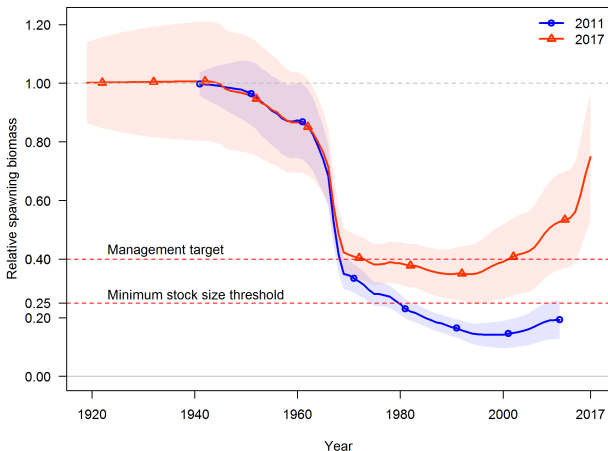


# Estimated Annual Recruitment Deviations





## Comparison between 2011 and 2017

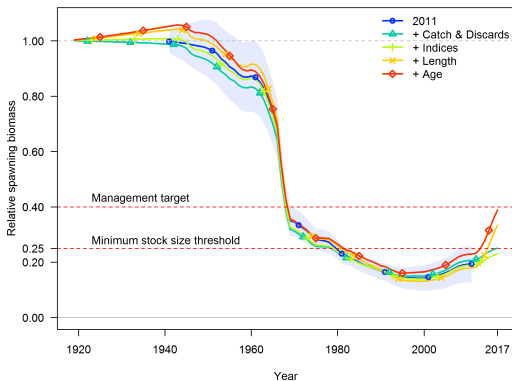


# Major Changes Between the Previous and Current Assessment

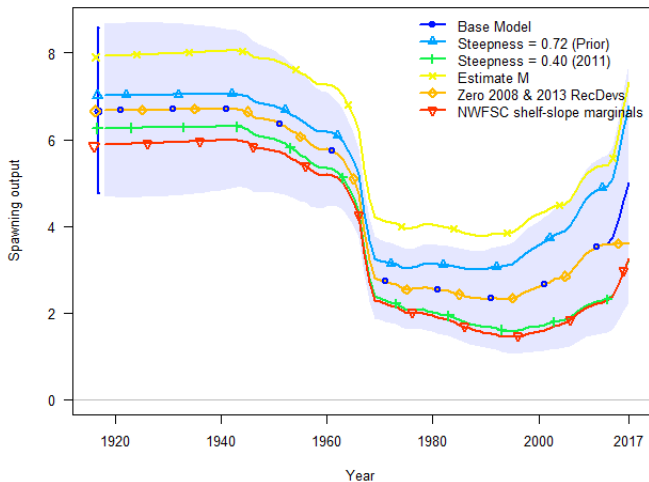
- Steepness
- Natural Mortality
- Maturity and Fecundity
- Fleet and Survey Selectivities

## 2011 Model Data "Update"

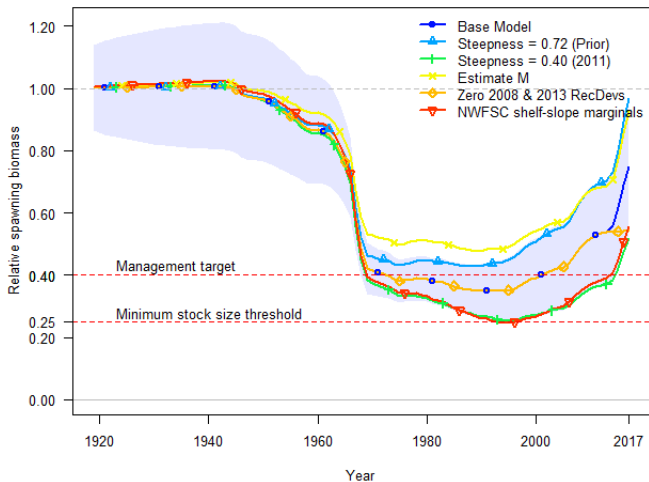
- Added layers of new data cumulatively to while retaining 2011 modeling assumptions



# Model Sensitivities - Scale



## Model Sensitivities - Relative



## Key Sources of Uncertainty

- Steepness
  - Fixed at 0.50 within the base model. Likelihood profile over steepness indicates no information in data concerning steepness. Fixing the value at the steepness prior value of 0.72 results in stock status 97% of unfished.
- Natural Mortality
  - Fixed at 0.054 for males and females, the mean of the prior when maximum age is 100. Likelihood profile relatively flat around the prior.
- Recruitment
  - Estimated large recruitments in 2008 and 2013.
  - Setting these recruitments equal to the stock-recruitment curve results in a decline in stock status to 54%.
- NWFSC shelf-slope age data
  - Treating these data as either conditional age-at-length or as marginals results in differing estimates of  $R_0$  and final stock status.
  - Marginal ages are essentially weighted out of the model using Francis weighting.

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## Model Summary

## Biology

Overview

Maturity

Fecundity

Growth

## Removals

## Indices of Abundance

## Length Compositions

## Age Compositions

## Pacific ocean perch (*Sebastes alutus*)

- Distributed from Alaska Aleutian Islands to Northern California
- Typically 200 - 400 meters during summer months
- Semi-demersal and can be pelagic
- Both sexes move to deeper water with age
- Female move to deeper waters post-spawning during winter months and return inshore in spring.

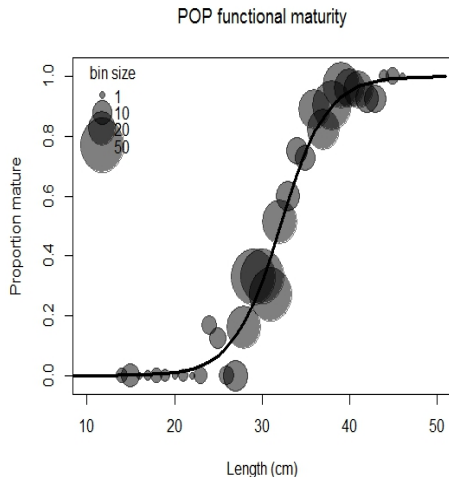




# Maturity

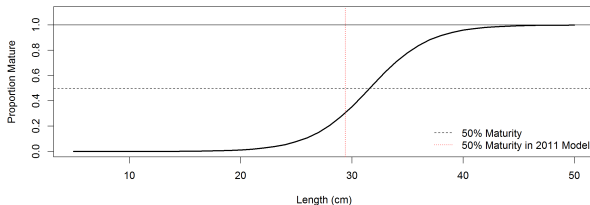
## Functional maturity-at-length

- Categorized mature and immature fish based on the proportion of vitellogenin in the cytoplasm and atretic cells
- 50% maturity is at larger lengths vs. biological maturity
- functional 50% = 32.1 cm vs. biological 50% = 30.1 cm

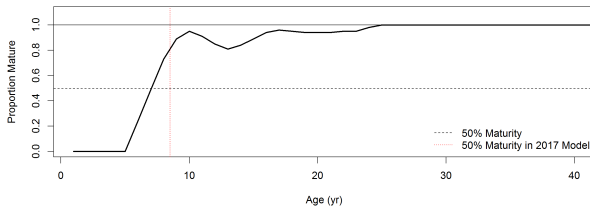


# Maturity Comparison

Functional Maturity by Length (2017 Assessment)

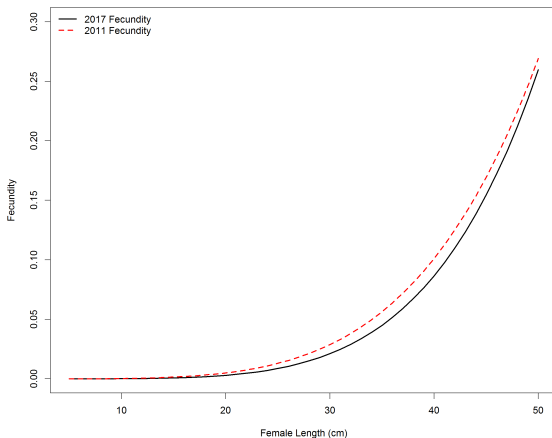


Maturity by Age (2011 Assessment)



\*Sensitivity assumed maturity shown to not have a large impact on results

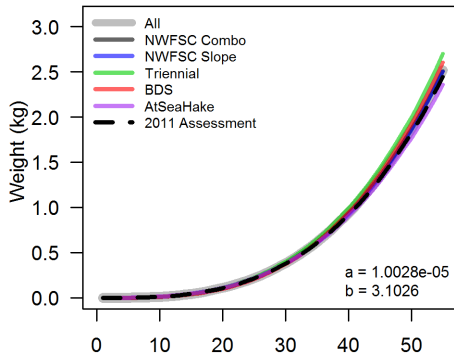
# Fecundity



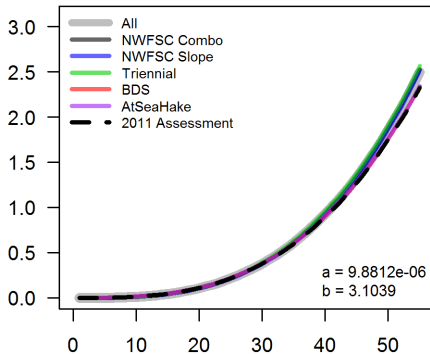
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# Weight-at-length

## Female



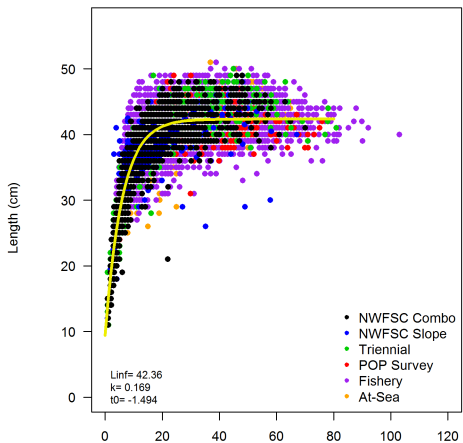
## Male



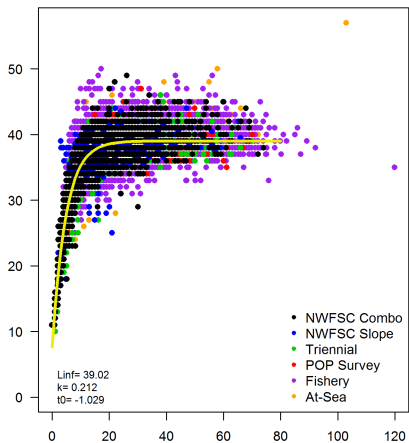
Length (cm)

# Length-at-age

Female

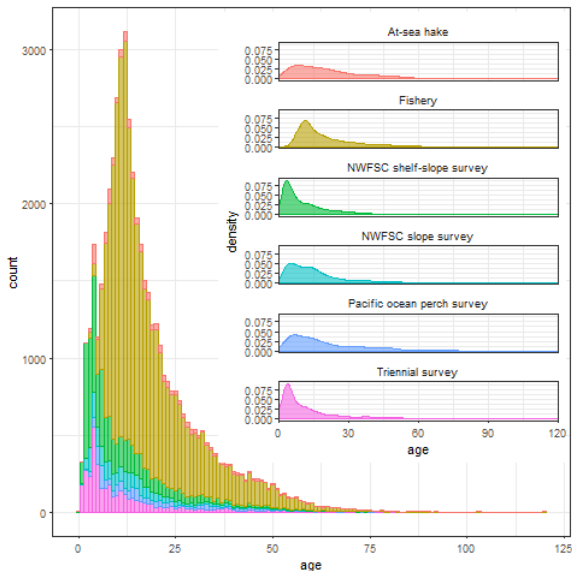


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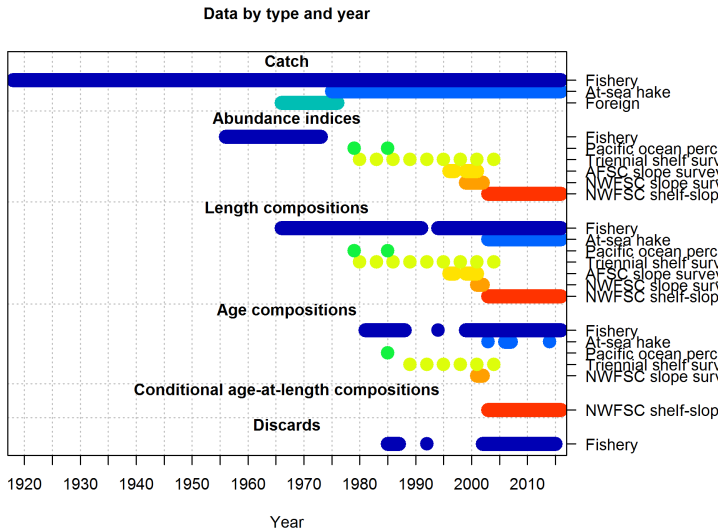


## Observed Ages

- Oldest age: 120 by the fishery (2007)
- Next oldest fish range from 90-103 collected by fishery and At-sea hake between 1981-2010



# Data Summary Used in the 2017 Assessment



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Landing history by state

Discarding practices

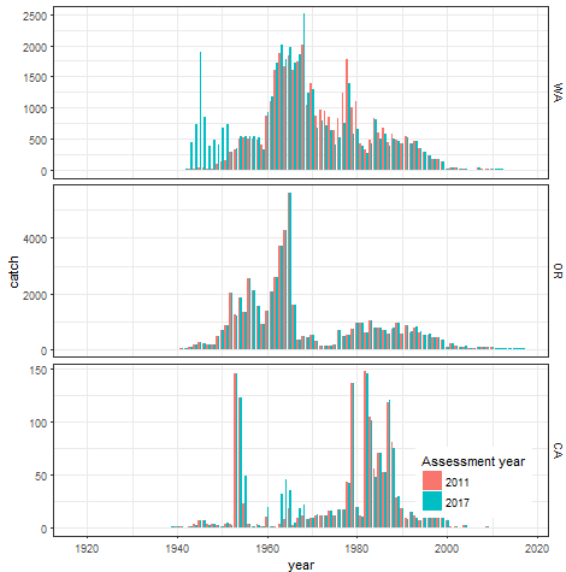
Indices of Abundance

Length Compositions

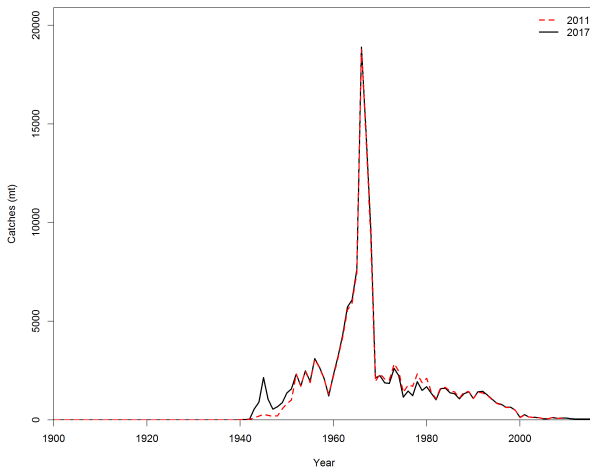
Age Compositions



# Landings Data: 2017 vs. 2011

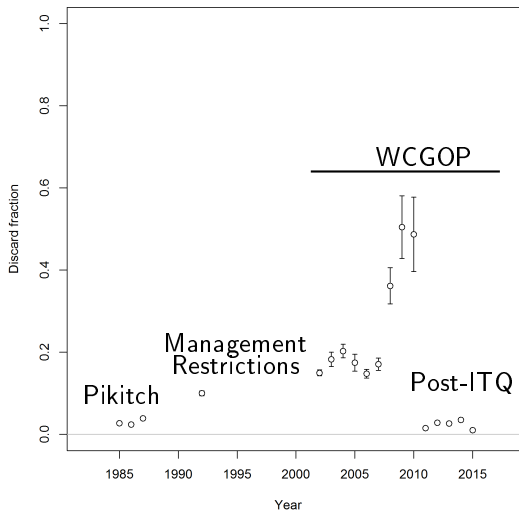


## Cummalative catch difference



\*Resulted in  $< 1\%$  change in  $R0$

# Fishery Discard Data



\* Sensitivities done on the 1992 data point (high vs. low) results  $\pm 0.5\%$  in status.

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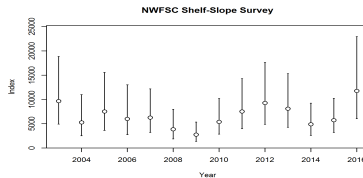
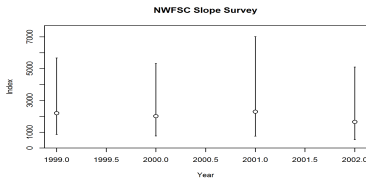
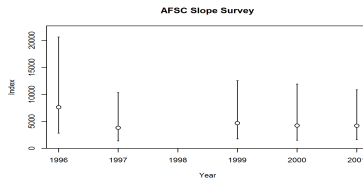
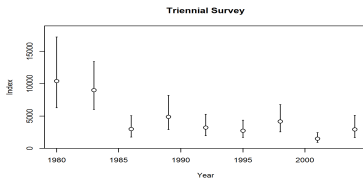
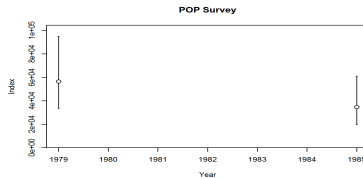
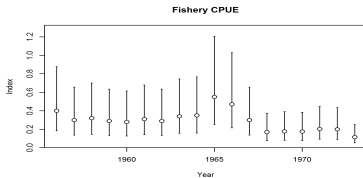
# CPUE



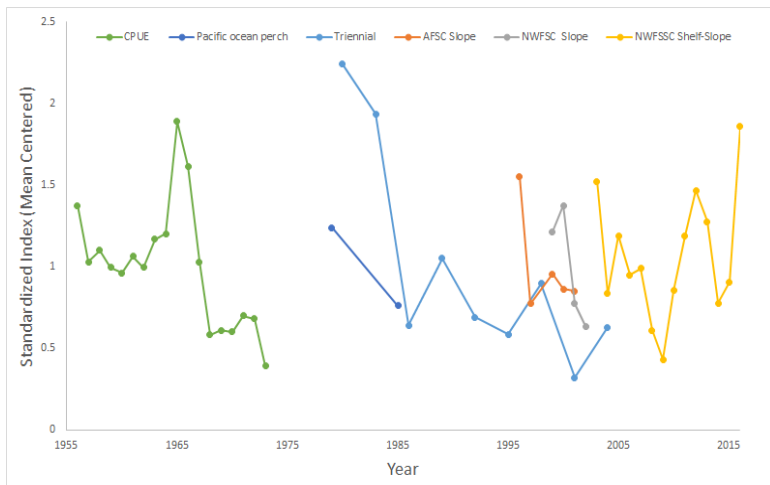
Gunderson (1977) CPUE from the INPFC Columbia area

\*Sensitivity shows little effect on model results when removed.

# Survey Indices



## All: standardized



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Fishery Lengths

Survey Lengths

Age Compositions

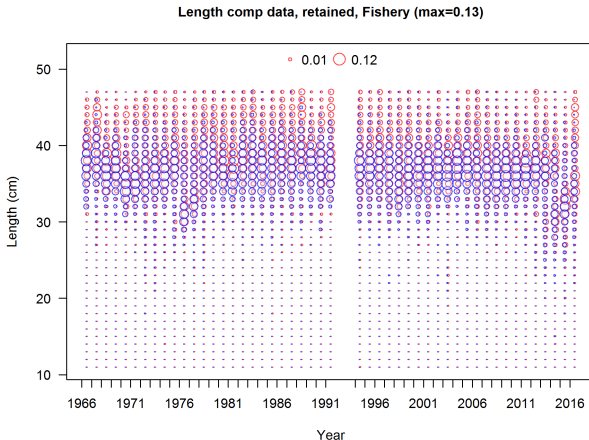


## Fishery Length Data

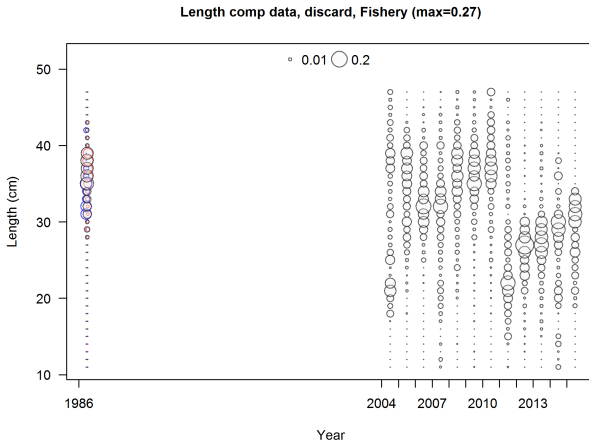
Fishery length data used in the 2017 assessment:

- Fishery: bottom trawl, mid-water trawl, fixed gear
  - Retained Lengths 1966-2016
  - Discarded Lengths 1986 (Pikitch), 2004-2015
- At-sea hake fishery
  - All (Retained and Discarded) Lengths 2003-2016

# Fishery Lengths: Retained

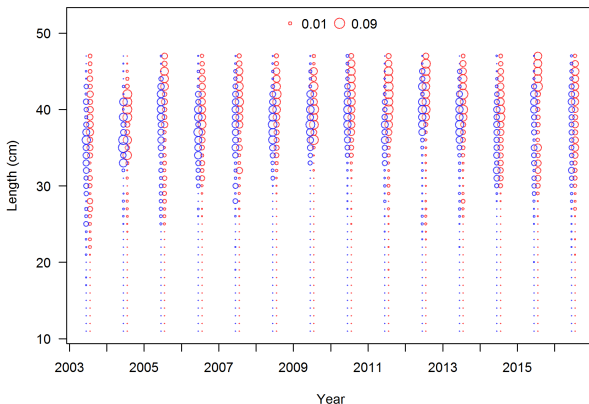


# Fishery Lengths: Discarded



# At-sea hake lengths

Length comp data, whole catch, At-sea hake (max=0.08)

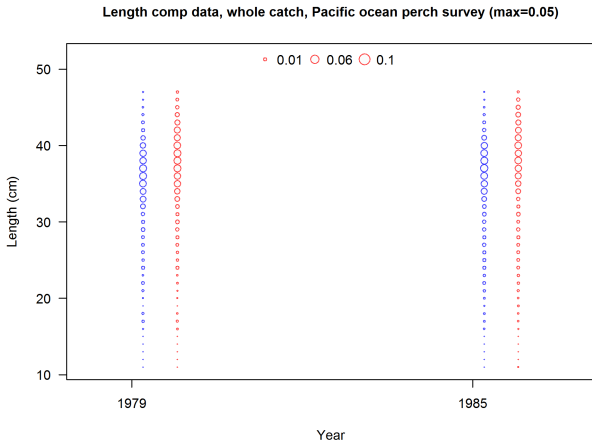


## Survey Length Data

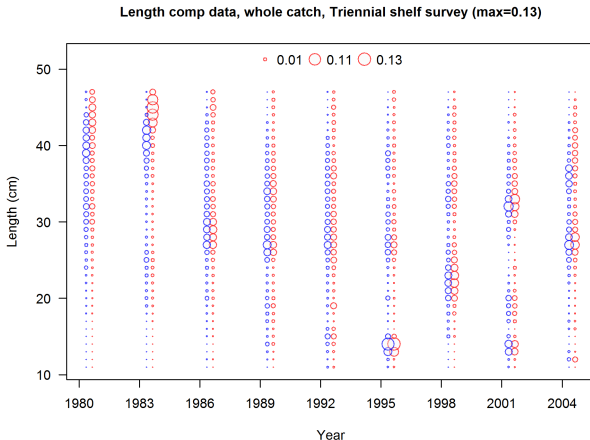
Survey length data used in the 2017 assessment:

- Pacific ocean perch survey
  - 1979 and 1985
- Triennial shelf survey
  - 1980, 1983, 1986, 1989, 1992, 1995, 1998, 2001, 2004
- AFSC slope survey
  - 1996, 1997, 1999-2001
- NWFSC slope survey
  - 2001 and 2002
- NWFSC shelf-slope survey
  - 2003-2016

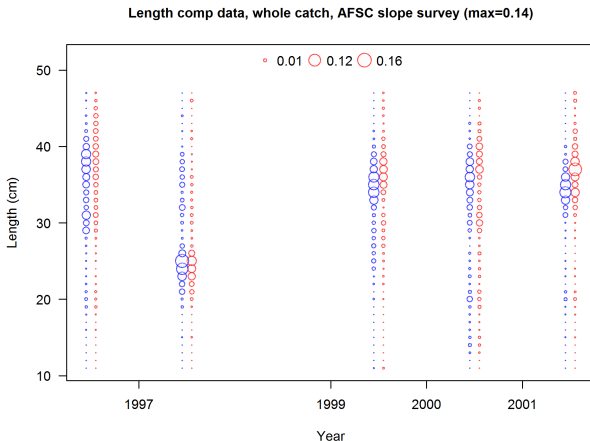
# Pacific ocean perch survey lengths



# Triennial shelf survey lengths



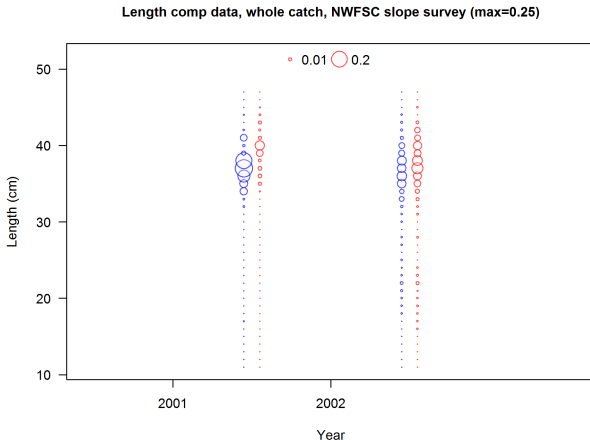
# AFSC slope survey lengths





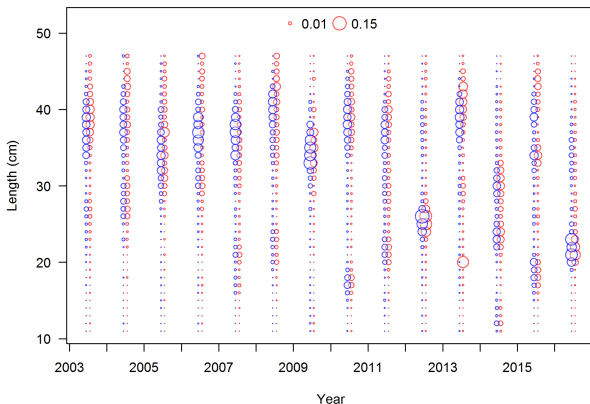


## NWFSC slope survey lengths

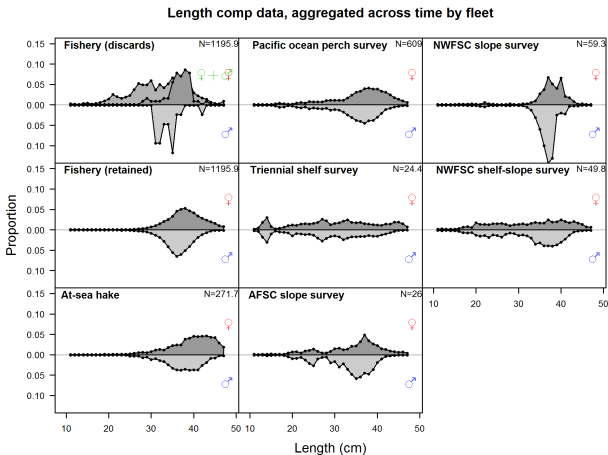


# NWFSC shelf-slope survey lengths

Length comp data, whole catch, NWFSC shelf-slope survey (max=0.16)



## Aggregated lengths by source



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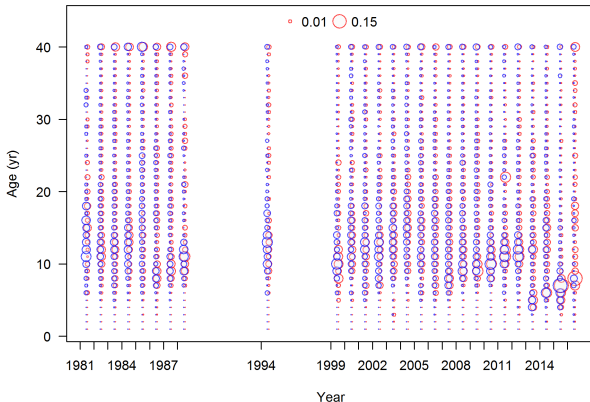
## Fishery Age Data

Fishery age data used in the 2017 assessment:

- Fishery: bottom trawl, mid-water trawl, fixed gear
  - 1981-1988, 1994, 1999-2016
- At-sea hake fishery
  - 2003, 2006, 2007, 2014

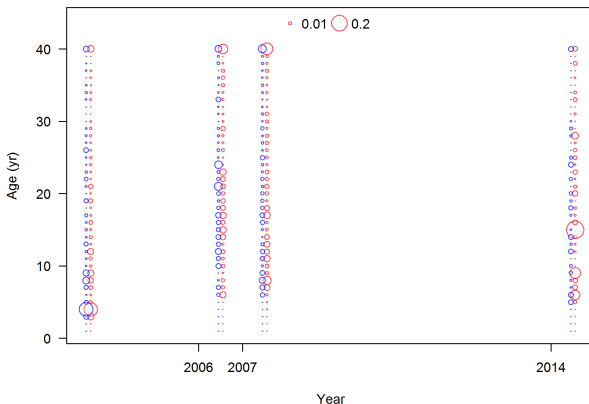
# Fishery Ages

Age comp data, retained, Fishery (max=0.17)



# At-sea hake Ages

Age comp data, whole catch, At-sea hake (max=0.24)



## Survey Age Data

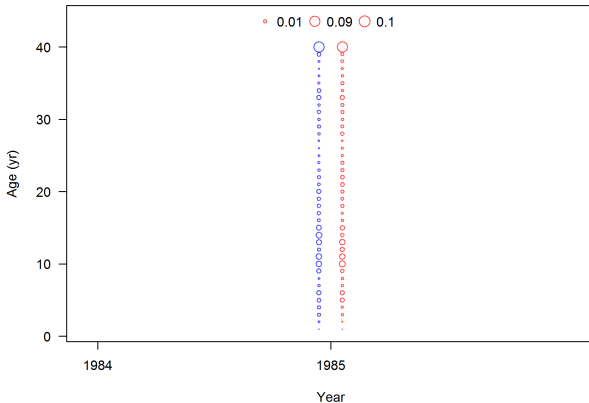
Survey age data used in the 2017 assessment:

- Pacific ocean perch survey
  - 1985
- Triennial shelf survey
  - 1989, 1992, 1995, 1998, 2001, 2004
- NWFSC slope survey
  - 2001 and 2002
- NWFSC shelf-slope survey
  - 2003-2016



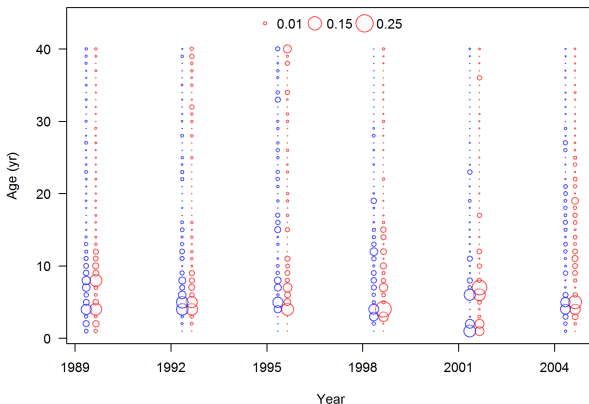
# Pacific ocean perch ages

Age comp data, whole catch, Pacific ocean perch survey (max=0.09)



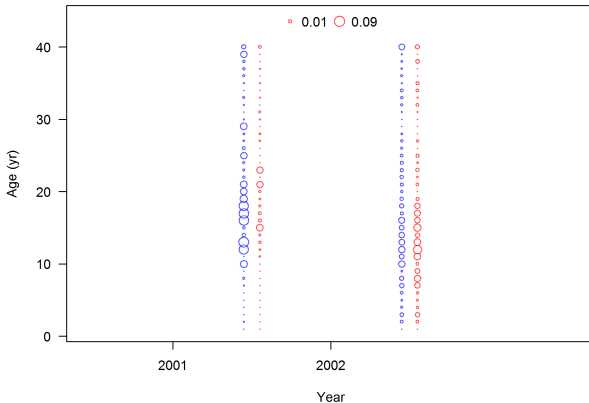
# Triennial shelf survey ages

Age comp data, whole catch, Triennial shelf survey (max=0.2)



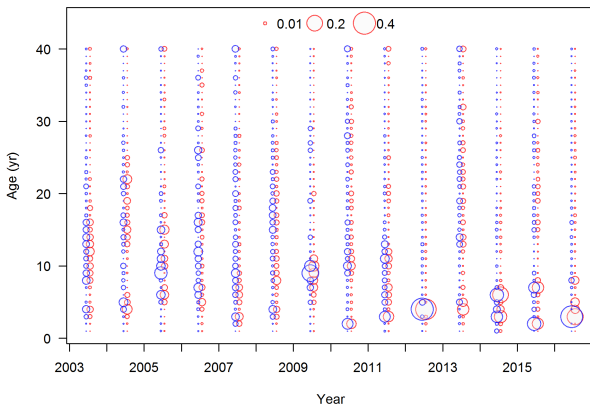
# NWFSC slope ages

Age comp data, whole catch, NWFSC slope survey (max=0.08)



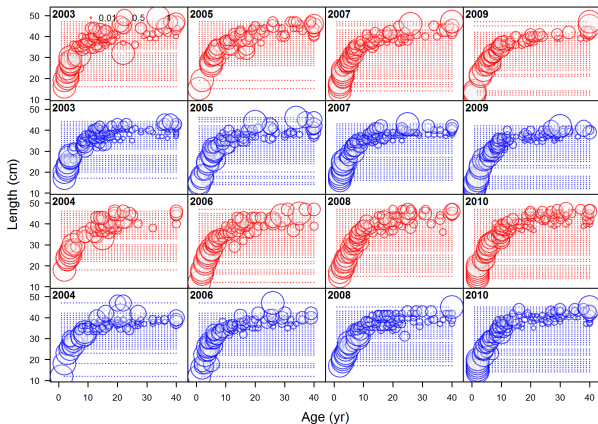
# NWFSC shelf-slope ages - marginal view

Ghost age comp data, whole catch, NWFSC shelf-slope survey (max=0.4)



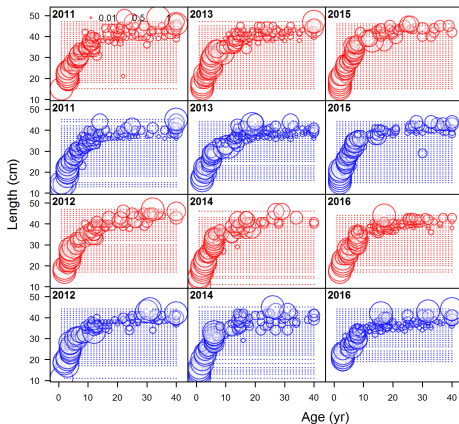
# NWFSC shelf-slope conditional age-at-length

Conditional age-at-length data, whole catch, NWFSC shelf-slope survey (max=0.96)



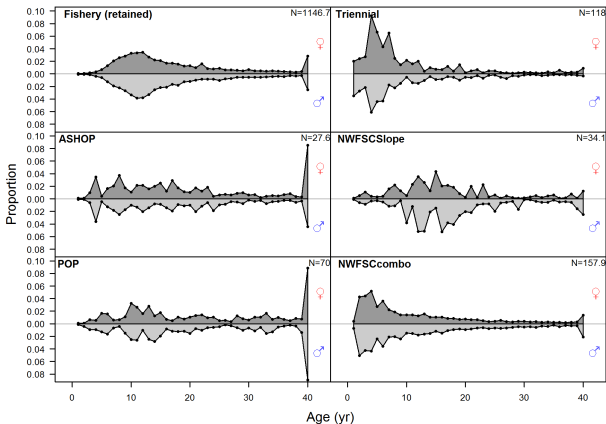
# NWFSC shelf-slope conditional age-at-length

Conditional age-at-length data, whole catch, NWFSC shelf-slope survey (max=0.96)



# Aggregated Ages by Source

Age comp data, aggregated across time by fleet



# Estimated Ageing Error: Curvilinear without bias

