

# Status of China Rockfish (*Sebastes nebulosus*) Along the U.S. Pacific Coast in 2015



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# Executive Summary

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## Stock

stock

Include: species/area, including an evaluation of any potential biological basis for regional management.

This assessment reports the status of the China rockfish (*Sebastes nebulosus*) resource in U.S. waters off the coast of the California, Oregon, and Washington using data through 2014. Etc...

## Catches

catches

Include: trends and current levels-include table for last ten years and graph with long term data

Catch figure(s) with fleets: (Figures [a-c](#))

Catch table: (Table [a](#))

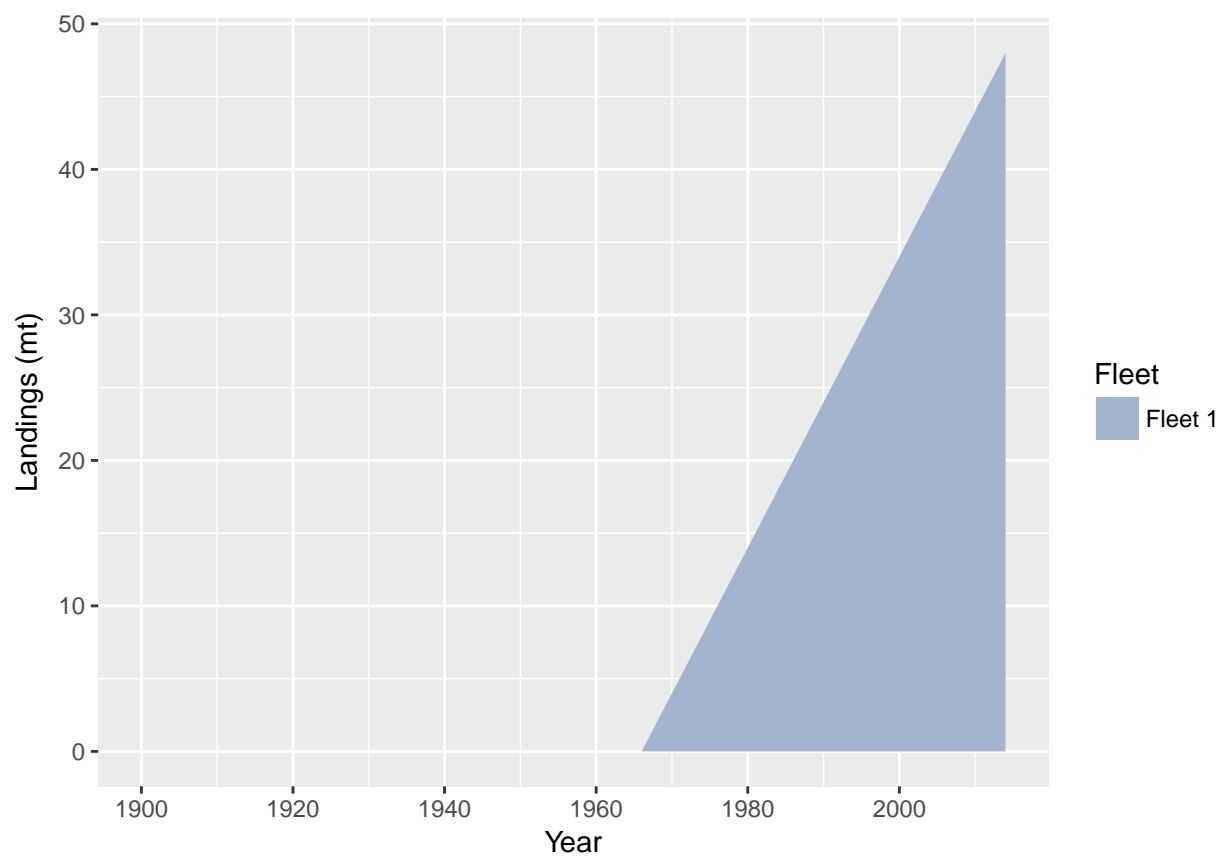


Figure a: China rockfish landings in ..... `fig:Exec_catch1`

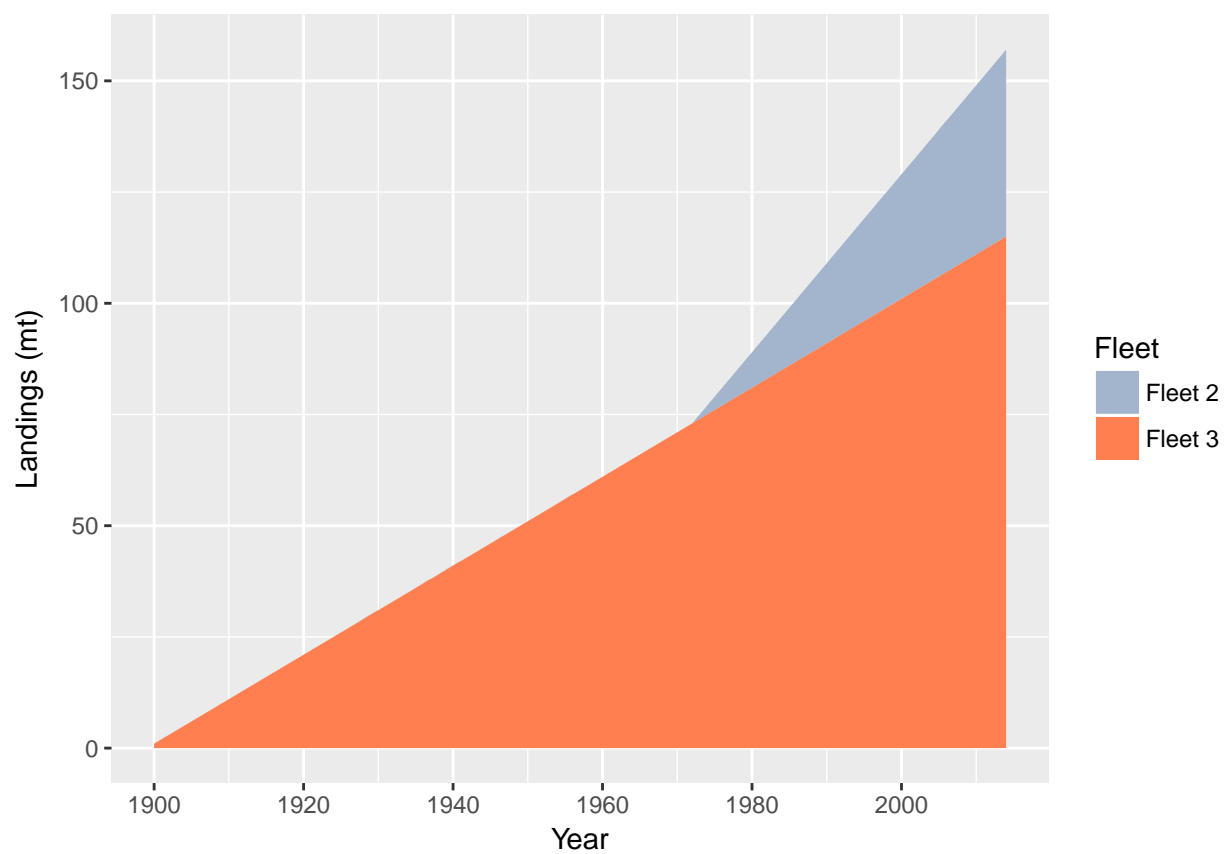


Figure b: Stacked line plot of China rockfish landings history for Oregon by fleet (recreational and commercial). `fig:Exec_catch2`

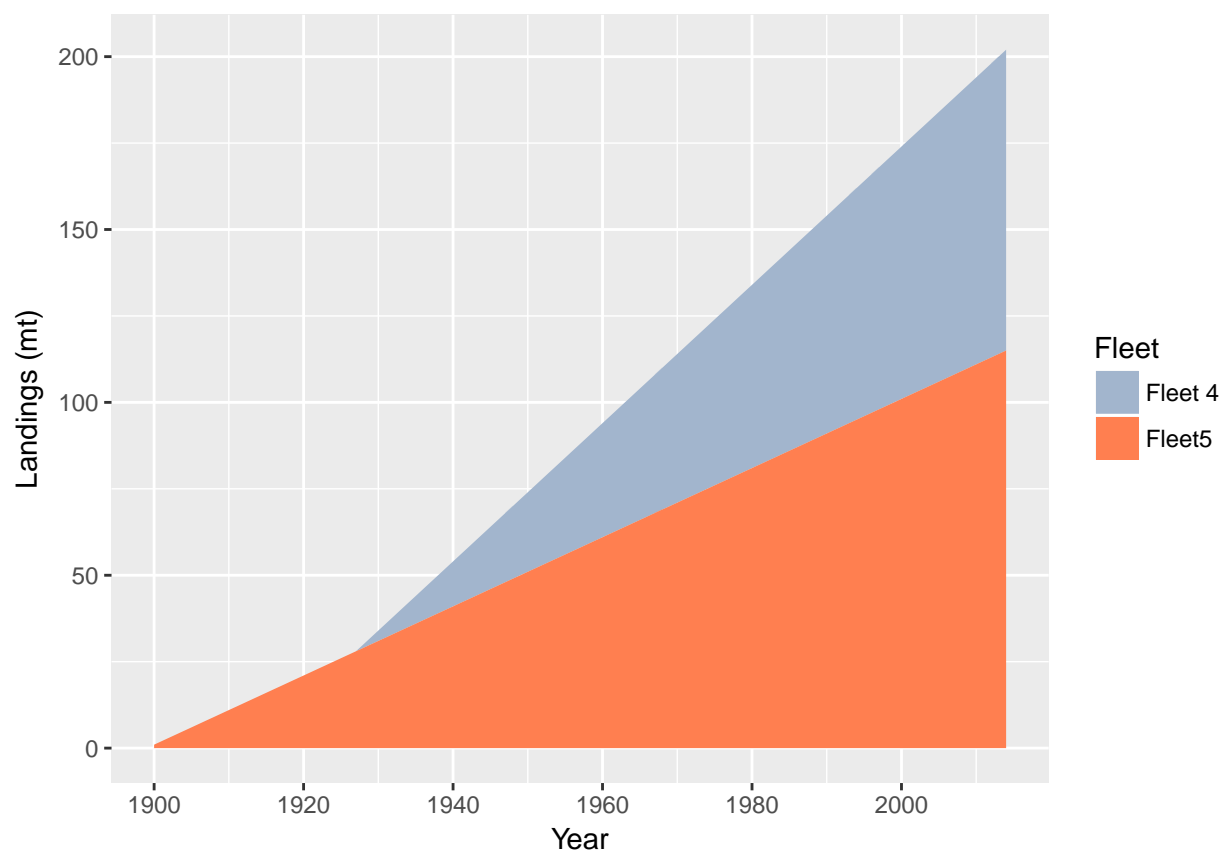


Figure c: Stacked line plot of China rockfish landings history for California by fleet (recreational and commercial).   
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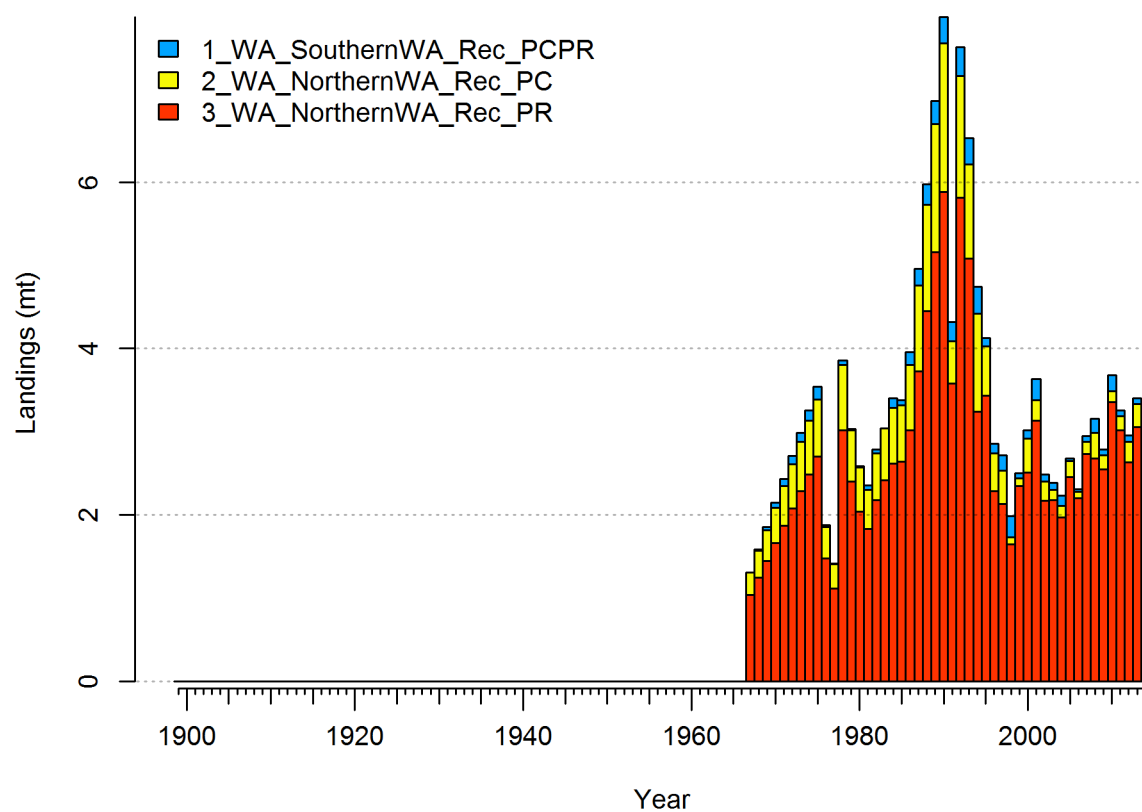


Figure d: Landings history of China rockfish in the Northern model. <sup>fig:r4ss\_catches</sup>

Table a: Recent China rockfish landings (mt) by fleet.

| Year | tab:Exec_catch |            |            |            |            | Total |
|------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|
|      | Landings 1     | Landings 2 | Landings 3 | Landings 4 | Landings 5 |       |
| 2005 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2006 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2007 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2008 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2009 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2010 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2011 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2012 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2013 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |
| 2014 | -              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -     |

## Data and Assessment

data-and-assessment

Include: date of last assessment, type of assessment model, data available, new information, and information lacking.

China rockfish was assessed. . . . This assessment uses the newest version of Stock Synthesis (3.xxx). The model begins in 1900, and assumes the stock was at an unfished equilibrium that year.

Map of assessment region: (Figure e).

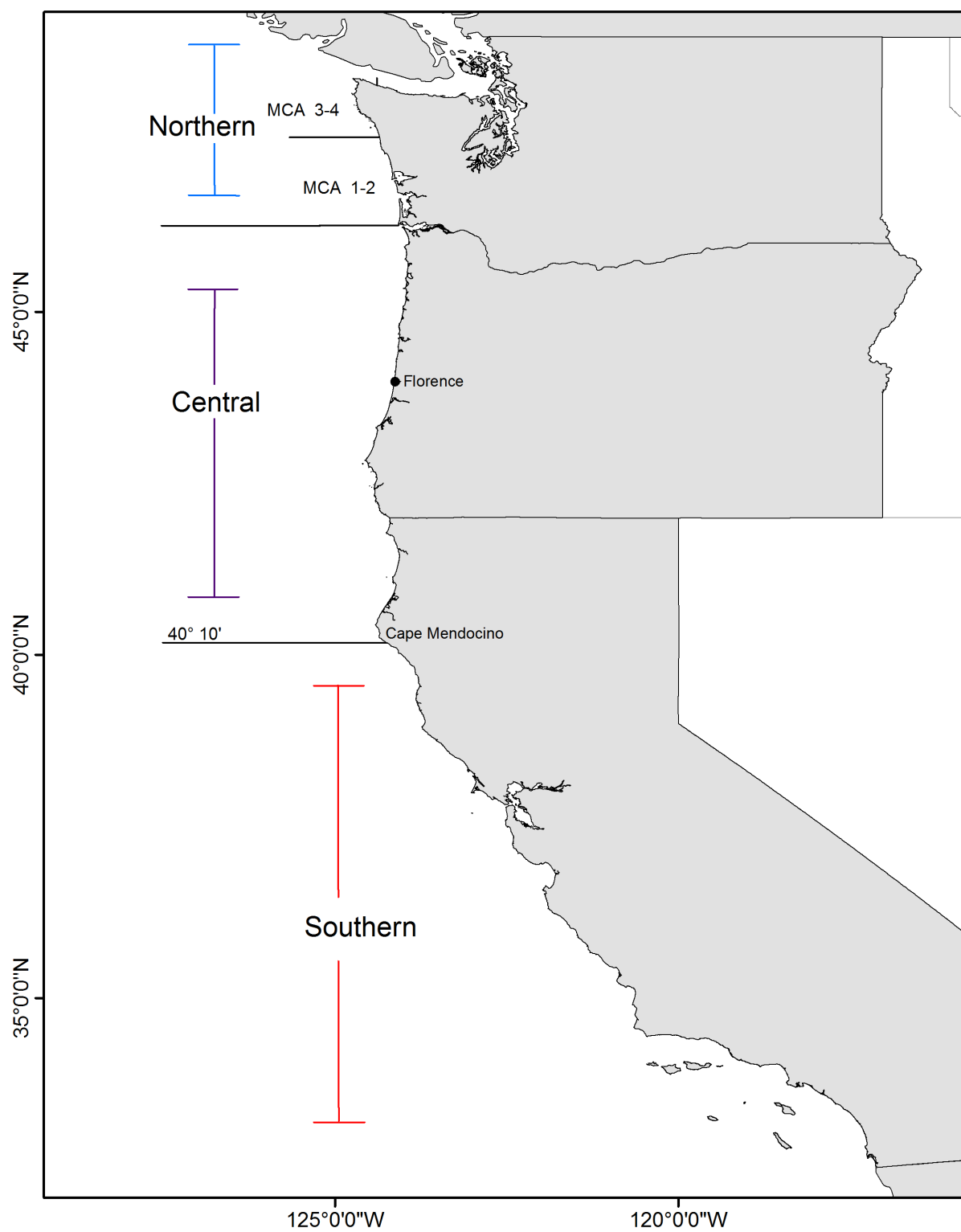


Figure e: Map depicting the boundaries for the base-case model. fig:assess\_region\_map

# Stock Biomass

stock-biomass

Include: trends and current levels relative to virgin or historic levels, description of uncertainty-include table for last 10 years and graph with long term estimates.

Spawning output Figure: Figure f

Spawning output Table(s): Table b

Relative depletion Figure: Figure g

Example text (remove Models 2 and 3 if not needed - if using, remove the # in-line comments!!!)  
The estimated relative depletion level (spawning output relative to unfished spawning output) of the the base-case model in 2014 is 71.7% (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm 62.1\%$ -81.3%) (Figure g).

The estimated relative depletion level of model 2 in 2014 is (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm$  ) (Figure g).

The estimated relative depletion level of model 3 in 2014 is (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm$  ) (Figure g).

Table b: Recent trend in beginning of the year spawning output and depletion for the Northern model for China rockfish.

| tab:SpawningDeplete_mod1 |                                   |                              |                        |                              |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Year                     | Spawning Output<br>(billion eggs) | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval | Estimated<br>depletion | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval |
| 2006                     | 16.223                            | (8.38-24.06)                 | 0.717                  | (0.622-0.812)                |
| 2007                     | 16.308                            | (8.46-24.16)                 | 0.721                  | (0.627-0.815)                |
| 2008                     | 16.322                            | (8.47-24.18)                 | 0.721                  | (0.628-0.815)                |
| 2009                     | 16.311                            | (8.45-24.17)                 | 0.721                  | (0.627-0.815)                |
| 2010                     | 16.339                            | (8.48-24.2)                  | 0.722                  | (0.628-0.816)                |
| 2011                     | 16.270                            | (8.41-24.13)                 | 0.719                  | (0.624-0.814)                |
| 2012                     | 16.247                            | (8.38-24.11)                 | 0.718                  | (0.623-0.814)                |
| 2013                     | 16.257                            | (8.39-24.13)                 | 0.719                  | (0.623-0.814)                |
| 2014                     | 16.220                            | (8.35-24.09)                 | 0.717                  | (0.621-0.813)                |
| 2015                     | 16.225                            | (8.35-24.1)                  | 0.717                  | (0.621-0.813)                |

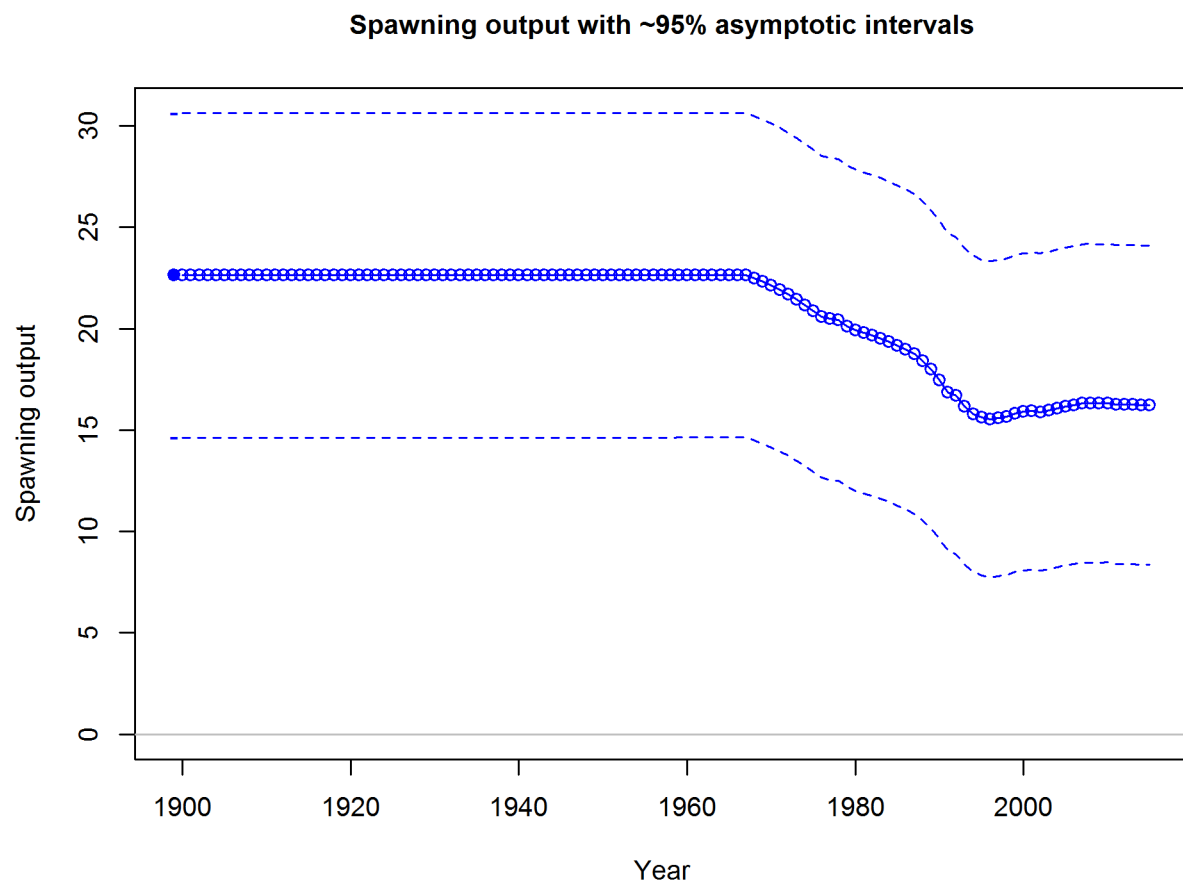


Figure f: Time series of spawning output trajectory (circles and line; median; light broken lines: 95% credibility intervals) for the base case assessment model. fig:Spawnbio\_all

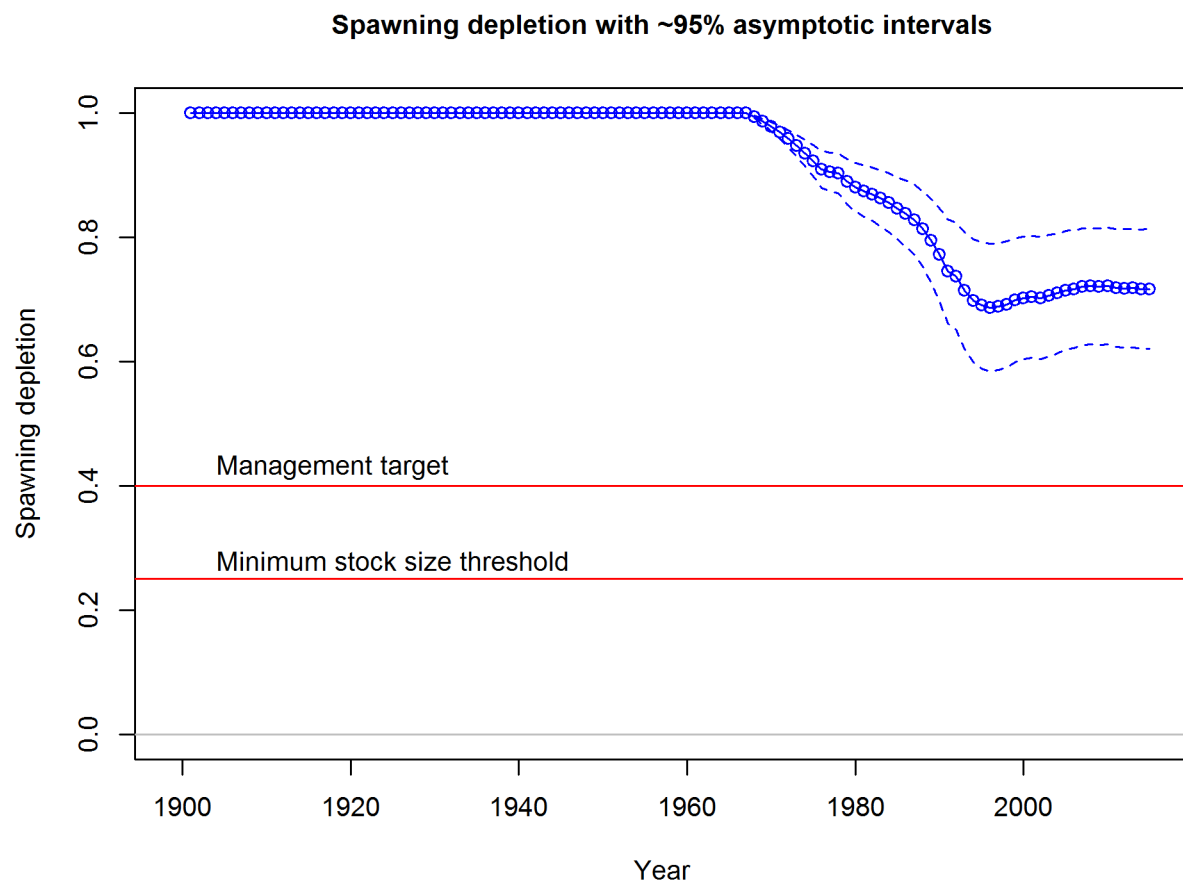


Figure g: Estimated relative depletion with approximate 95% asymptotic confidence intervals (dashed lines) for the base case assessment model. fig:RelDeplete\_all

# Recruitment

recruitment

Include: trends and current levels relative to virgin or historic levels-include table for last 10 years and graph with long term estimates.

Recruitment Figure: (Figure [h](#))  
Recruitment Tables: (Tables [c](#), [??](#) and [??](#))

Table c: Recent recruitment for the Northern model.

| tab:Recruit_mod1 |                                   |                              |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Year             | Estimated<br>Recruitment (1,000s) | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval |
| 2006             | 31.18                             | (22.47 - 43.27)              |
| 2007             | 31.20                             | (22.49 - 43.28)              |
| 2008             | 31.20                             | (22.49 - 43.28)              |
| 2009             | 31.20                             | (22.49 - 43.28)              |
| 2010             | 31.20                             | (22.49 - 43.28)              |
| 2011             | 31.19                             | (22.48 - 43.28)              |
| 2012             | 31.18                             | (22.47 - 43.27)              |
| 2013             | 31.19                             | (22.47 - 43.28)              |
| 2014             | 31.18                             | (22.47 - 43.27)              |
| 2015             | 31.18                             | (22.47 - 43.27)              |

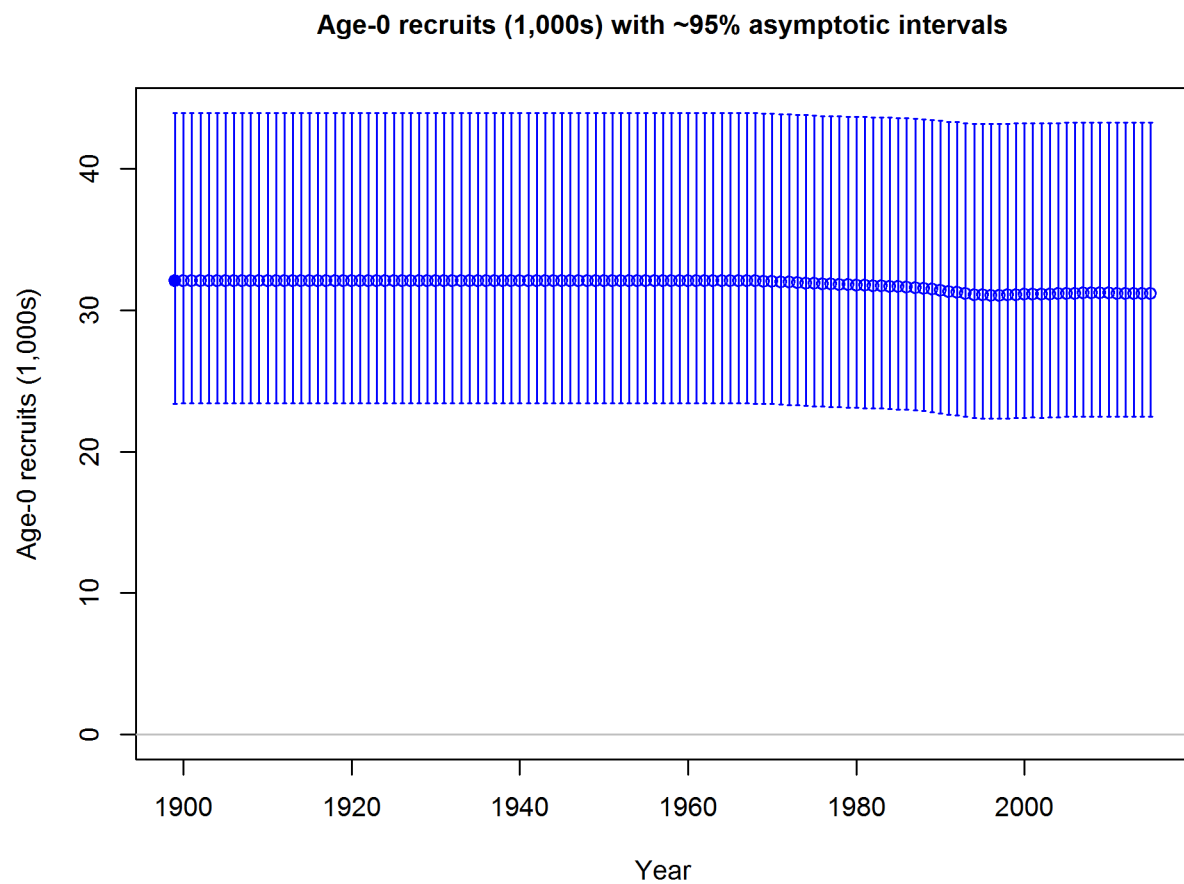


Figure h: Time series of estimated China rockfish recruitments for the base-case model with 95% confidence or credibility intervals. `fig:Recruits_all`



# Exploitation status

exploitation-status

Include: exploitation rates (i.e., total catch divided by exploitable biomass, or the annual SPR harvest rate) include a table with the last 10 years of data and a graph showing the trend in fishing mortality relative to the target (y-axis) plotted against the trend in biomass relative to the target (x-axis).

Exploitation Tables: Table d, Table ??, Table ?? Exploitation Figure: Figure i).

A summary of China rockfish exploitation histories for base model is provided as Figure j.

Table d: Recent trend in spawning potential ratio and exploitation for China rockfish in the Northern model. Fishing intensity is  $(1-SPR)$  divided by 50% (the SPR target) and exploitation is  $F$  divided by  $F_{SPR}$ .

| tab:SPR_Exploit_mod1 |                   |                           |                   |                           |
|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Year                 | Fishing intensity | ~ 95% confidence interval | Exploitation rate | ~ 95% confidence interval |
| 2005                 | 0.47              | (0.3-0.64)                | 0.35              | (0.2-0.5)                 |
| 2006                 | 0.42              | (0.27-0.58)               | 0.30              | (0.17-0.43)               |
| 2007                 | 0.51              | (0.33-0.68)               | 0.38              | (0.21-0.55)               |
| 2008                 | 0.53              | (0.35-0.71)               | 0.41              | (0.23-0.58)               |
| 2009                 | 0.49              | (0.31-0.66)               | 0.36              | (0.2-0.52)                |
| 2010                 | 0.59              | (0.4-0.79)                | 0.47              | (0.27-0.68)               |
| 2011                 | 0.55              | (0.36-0.73)               | 0.42              | (0.24-0.61)               |
| 2012                 | 0.51              | (0.33-0.69)               | 0.38              | (0.22-0.55)               |
| 2013                 | 0.56              | (0.37-0.75)               | 0.44              | (0.25-0.63)               |
| 2014                 | 0.52              | (0.34-0.7)                | 0.39              | (0.22-0.56)               |

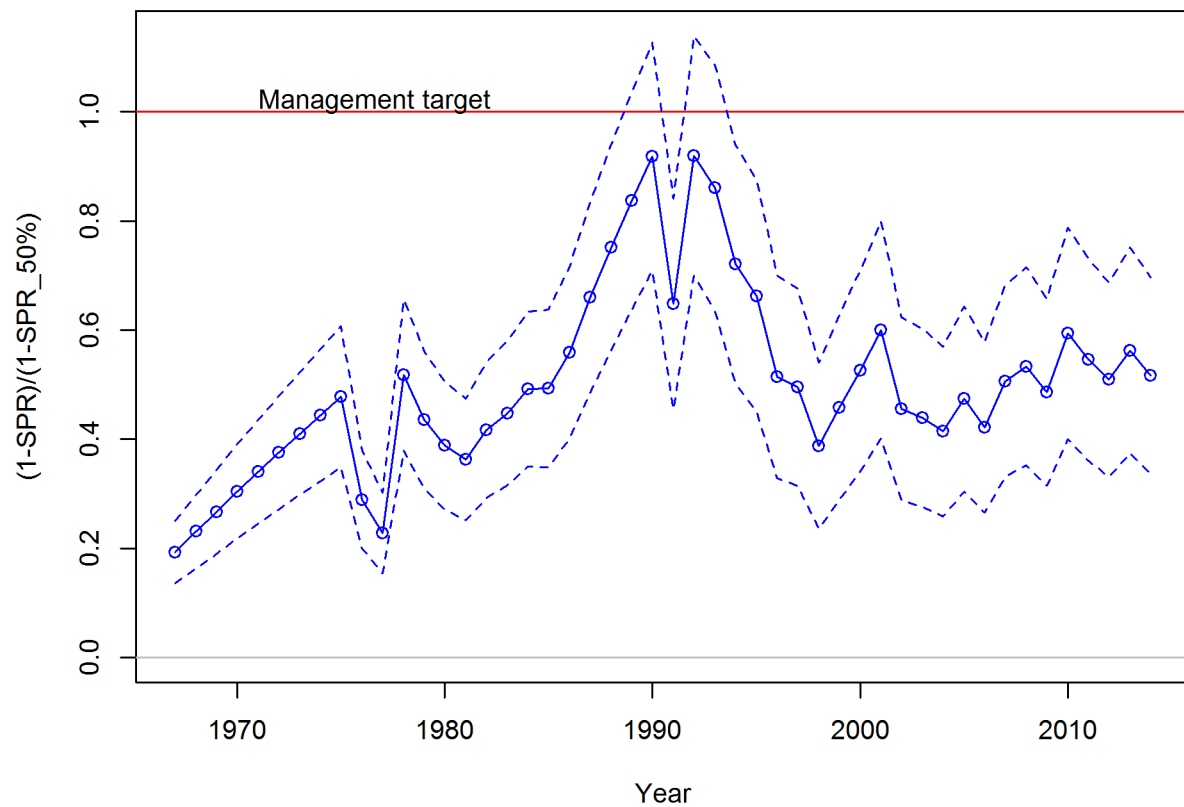


Figure i: Estimated spawning potential ratio (SPR) for the base-case model. One minus SPR is plotted so that higher exploitation rates occur on the upper portion of the y-axis. The management target is plotted as a red horizontal line and values above this reflect harvests in excess of the overfishing proxy based on the  $SPR_{50\%}$  harvest rate. The last year in the time series is 2014. fig:SPR\_all

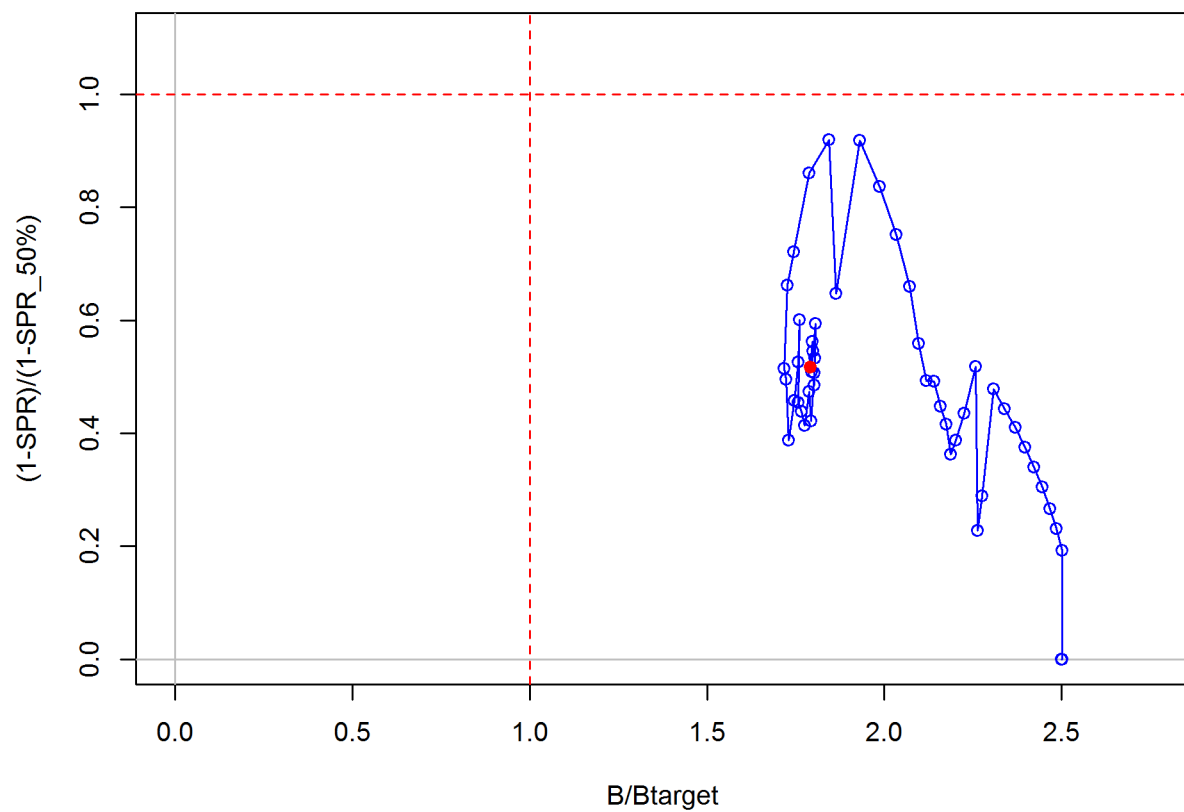


Figure j: Phase plot of estimated relative (1-SPR) vs. relative spawning biomass for the base case model. The relative (1-SPR) is (1-SPR) divided by 50% (the SPR target). Relative depletion is the annual spawning biomass divided by the unfished spawning biomass. fig:Phase\_all

## Ecosystem Considerations

ecosystem-considerations

In this assessment, ecosystem considerations were....

## Reference Points

reference-points

**Include:** management targets and definition of overfishing, including the harvest rate that brings the stock to equilibrium at  $B_{40\%}$  (the  $B_{MSY}$  proxy) and the equilibrium stock size that results from fishing at the default harvest rate (the  $F_{MSY}$  proxy). Include a summary table that compares estimated reference points for SSB, SPR, Exploitation Rate and Yield based on SSBproxy for MSY, SPRproxy for MSY, and estimated MSY values

**Write intro paragraph....and remove text for Models 2 and 3 if not needed**

This stock assessment estimates that China rockfish in the Northern model are above the biomass target, but above the minimum stock size threshold. **Add sentence about spawning output trend.** The estimated relative depletion level for **Model 1** in 2014 is 71.7% (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm 62.1\%$ -81.3%, corresponding to an unfished spawning output of 16.2253 billion eggs (~95% asymptotic interval: 8.35-24.1 billion eggs) of spawning output in the base model (Table e). Unfished age 1+ biomass was estimated to be 224.2 mt in the base case model. The target spawning output based on the biomass target ( $SB_{40\%}$ ) is 9.1 billion eggs, which gives a catch of 5.9 mt. Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is 5.5 mt.

This stock assessment estimates that China rockfish in the are

the biomass target, but the minimum stock size threshold. **Add sentence about spawning output trend.** The estimated relative depletion level for **Model 2** in 2014 is (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm$  ), corresponding to an unfished spawning output of (~95% asymptotic interval: ) of spawning output in the base model (Table ??). Unfished age 1+ biomass was estimated to be mt in the base case model. The target spawning output based on the biomass target ( $SB_{40\%}$ ) is , which gives a catch of mt. Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is mt.

This stock assessment estimates that China rockfish in the are

the biomass target, but the minimum stock size threshold. **Add sentence about spawning output trend.** The estimated relative depletion level or **Model 3** in 2014 is (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm$  ), corresponding to an unfished spawning output of (~95% asymptotic interval: ) of spawning output in the base model (Table ??). Unfished age 1+ biomass was estimated to be mt in the base case

model. The target spawning output based on the biomass target ( $SB_{40\%}$ ) is , which gives a catch of mt. Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is mt.

Table e: Summary of reference points and management quantities for the base case Northern model.

| Quantity                                                | Estimate | <sup>tab:Ref_pts_mod1</sup><br>95% Confidence Interval |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Unfished spawning output (billion eggs)                 | 22.6     | (14.6-30.6)                                            |
| Unfished age 1+ biomass (mt)                            | 224.2    | (148.3-300.1)                                          |
| Unfished recruitment (R0, thousands)                    | 32.1     | (21.9-42.2)                                            |
| Spawning output(2014 billion eggs)                      | 16.2     | (8.4-24.1)                                             |
| Depletion (2014)                                        | 0.7169   | (0.6208-0.813)                                         |
| <b>Reference points based on <math>SB_{40\%}</math></b> |          |                                                        |
| Proxy spawning output ( $B_{40\%}$ )                    | 9.1      | (5.9-12.2)                                             |
| SPR resulting in $B_{40\%}$ ( $SPR_{B40\%}$ )           | 0.444    | (0.444-0.444)                                          |
| Exploitation rate resulting in $B_{40\%}$               | 0.0557   | (0.0526-0.0589)                                        |
| Yield with $SPR_{B40\%}$ at $B_{40\%}$ (mt)             | 5.9      | (4-7.8)                                                |
| <b>Reference points based on SPR proxy for MSY</b>      |          |                                                        |
| Spawning output                                         | 10.4     | (6.7-14.1)                                             |
| $SPR_{proxy}$                                           | 0.5      |                                                        |
| Exploitation rate corresponding to $SPR_{proxy}$        | 0.0463   | (0.0437-0.0489)                                        |
| Yield with $SPR_{proxy}$ at $SB_{SPR}$ (mt)             | 5.5      | (3.7-7.2)                                              |
| <b>Reference points based on estimated MSY values</b>   |          |                                                        |
| Spawning output at $MSY$ ( $SB_{MSY}$ )                 | 5.2      | (3.4-7.1)                                              |
| $SPR_{MSY}$                                             | 0.288    | (0.2835-0.2925)                                        |
| Exploitation rate at $MSY$                              | 0.0933   | (0.0869-0.0998)                                        |
| $MSY$ (mt)                                              | 6.6      | (4.4-8.7)                                              |

## 181 Management Performance

management-performance

182 Include: catches in comparison to OFL, ABC and OY/ACL values for the most recent 10  
 183 years (when available), overfishing levels, actual catch and discard. Include OFL(encountered),  
 184 OFL(retained) and OFL(dead) if different due to discard and discard mortality.

185 Management performance table: Table [f](#)

## 186 Unresolved Problems And Major Uncertainties

unresolved-problems-and-major-uncertainties

187 TBD after STAR panel

Table f: Recent trend in total catch and commercial landings (mt) relative to the management guidelines. Estimated total catch reflect the commercial landings plus the model estimated discarded biomass.

| tab:mnmgmt_perform |                                   |          |                               |                                  |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Year               | OFL (mt;<br>ABC prior to<br>2011) | ABC (mt) | ACL (mt; OY<br>prior to 2011) | Estimated<br>total catch<br>(mt) |
| 2007               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2008               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2009               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2010               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2011               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2012               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2013               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2014               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2015               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2016               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2017               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |
| 2018               | -                                 | -        | -                             | -                                |

## Decision Table(s) (groundfish only)

decision-tables-groundfish-only

Include: projected yields (OFL, ABC and ACL), spawning biomass, and stock depletion levels for each year. Not required in draft assessments undergoing review.

OFL projection table: Table [g](#)

Decision table(s) Table [h](#), Table ??, Table ??

Yield curve: Figure [\ref{fig:Yield\\_all}](#)

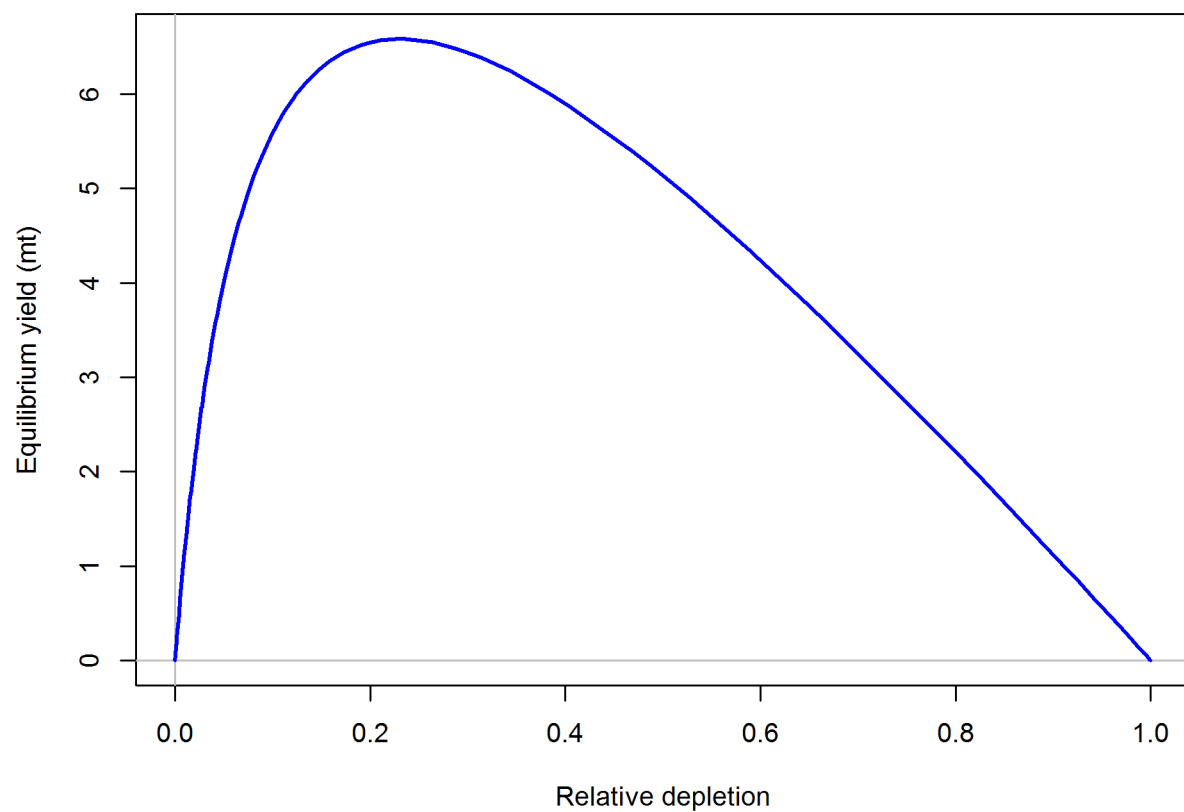


Figure k: Equilibrium yield curve for the base case model. Values are based on the 2014 fishery selectivity and with steepness fixed at... fig:Yield\_all

Table g: Projections of potential OFL (mt) for each model, using the base model forecast.

| Year |      | OFL |
|------|------|-----|
| 2015 | 8.76 |     |
| 2016 | 8.83 |     |
| 2017 | 8.89 |     |
| 2018 | 8.58 |     |
| 2019 | 8.31 |     |
| 2020 | 8.05 |     |
| 2021 | 7.82 |     |
| 2022 | 7.61 |     |
| 2023 | 7.43 |     |
| 2024 | 7.26 |     |
| 2025 | 7.11 |     |
| 2026 | 6.98 |     |

tab:OFL\_projection



Table h: Summary of 10-year projections beginning in 2016 for alternate states of nature based on an axis of uncertainty for the Northern model. Columns range over low, mid, and high states of nature, and rows range over different assumptions of catch levels. An entry of "—" indicates that the stock is driven to very low abundance under the particular scenario.

tab:Decision\_table\_mod1

|                       |      | States of nature |                    |             |                    |             |                    |
|-----------------------|------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|
|                       |      | Low M 0.05       |                    | Base M 0.07 |                    | High M 0.09 |                    |
|                       | Year | Catch            | Spawning<br>Output | Depletion   | Spawning<br>Output | Depletion   | Spawning<br>Output |
| 40-10 Rule,<br>Low M  | 2019 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2020 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2021 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2022 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2023 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2024 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2025 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2026 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2027 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2028 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
| 40-10 Rule            | 2019 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2020 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2021 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2022 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2023 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2024 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2025 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2026 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2027 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2028 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
| 40-10 Rule,<br>High M | 2019 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2020 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2021 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2022 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2023 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2024 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2025 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2026 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2027 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2028 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
| Average<br>Catch      | 2019 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2020 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2021 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2022 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2023 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2024 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2025 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2026 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2027 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |
|                       | 2028 | -                | -                  | -           | -                  | -           | -                  |

Table i: Base case results summary.

|  | Quantity | 2006            | 2007            | 2008            | 2009            | 2010            | 2011                    | 2012              | 2013                | 2014            | 2015            |
|--|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  |          | Landings (mt)   | Catch (mt)      | OFL (mt)        | ACL (mt)        | (1-SPR)         | (1-SPR <sub>50%</sub> ) | Exploitation rate | Age 1+ biomass (mt) | Spawning Output | 95% CI          |
|  |          | 0.42            | 0.51            | 0.53            | 0.49            | 0.59            | 0.55                    | 0.51              | 0.56                | 0.52            |                 |
|  |          | 0.30            | 0.38            | 0.41            | 0.36            | 0.47            | 0.42                    | 0.38              | 0.44                | 0.39            |                 |
|  |          | 166.45          | 166.84          | 167.54          | 167.63          | 167.52          | 167.74                  | 167.16            | 166.97              | 167.07          | 166.77          |
|  |          | 16.2            | 16.3            | 16.3            | 16.3            | 16.3            | 16.3                    | 16.2              | 16.3                | 16.2            | 16.2            |
|  |          | (8.38-24.06)    | (8.46-24.16)    | (8.47-24.18)    | (8.45-24.17)    | (8.48-24.2)     | (8.41-24.13)            | (8.38-24.11)      | (8.39-24.13)        | (8.35-24.09)    | (8.35-24.1)     |
|  |          | 0.7             | 0.7             | 0.7             | 0.7             | 0.7             | 0.7                     | 0.7               | 0.7                 | 0.7             | 0.7             |
|  |          | (0.622-0.812)   | (0.627-0.815)   | (0.628-0.815)   | (0.627-0.815)   | (0.628-0.816)   | (0.624-0.814)           | (0.623-0.814)     | (0.623-0.814)       | (0.621-0.813)   | (0.621-0.813)   |
|  |          | 31.18           | 31.20           | 31.20           | 31.20           | 31.20           | 31.19                   | 31.18             | 31.19               | 31.18           | 31.18           |
|  |          | (22.47 - 43.27) | (22.49 - 43.28) | (22.49 - 43.28) | (22.49 - 43.28) | (22.49 - 43.28) | (22.48 - 43.28)         | (22.47 - 43.27)   | (22.47 - 43.28)     | (22.47 - 43.27) | (22.47 - 43.27) |

## Research And Data Needs

research-and-data-needs

Include: identify information gaps that seriously impede the stock assessment.

We recommend the following research be conducted before the next assessment:

1. List item No. 1 in the list
2. List item No. 2 in the list, etc.

## Rebuilding Projections

rebuilding-projections

Include: reference to the principal results from rebuilding analysis if the stock is overfished. This section should be included in the Final/SAFE version assessment document but is not required for draft assessments undergoing review. See Rebuilding Analysis terms of reference for detailed information on rebuilding analysis requirements.

# 1 Introduction

introduction

## 1.1 Basic Information

basic-information

Include: Scientific name, distribution, the basis of the choice of stock structure, including regional differences in life history or other biological characteristics that should form the basis of management units.

## 1.2 Map

map

A map showing the scope of the assessment and depicting boundaries for fisheries or data collection strata is provided in Figure 1.

## 1.3 Life History

life-history

Include: Important features of life history that affect management (e.g., migration, sexual dimorphism, bathymetric demography).

## 1.4 Ecosystem Considerations

ecosystem-considerations-1

Include: Ecosystem considerations (e.g., ecosystem role and trophic relationships of the species, habitat requirements/preferences, relevant data on ecosystem processes that may affect stock or parameters used in the stock assessment, and/or cross-FMP interactions with other fisheries). This section should note if environmental correlations or food web interactions were incorporated into the assessment model. The length and depth of this section would depend on availability of data and reports from the IEA, expertise of the STAT, and whether ecosystem factors are informational to contribute quantitative information to the assessment.

## 1.5 Fishery Information

fishery-information

Include: Important features of current fishery and relevant history of fishery.

Rockfish example: The rockfish fishery off the U.S. Pacific coast first developed off California in the late 19th century as a hook-and-line fishery (Love et al. 2002).

The rockfish trawl fishery was established in the early 1940s, when the United States became involved in World War II and wartime shortage of red meat created an increased demand for other sources of protein (Harry and Morgan 1961, Alverson et al. 1964). Etc....

## 230 1.6 Summary of Management History summary-of-management-history

231 Include: Summary of management history (e.g., changes in mesh sizes, trip limits, or other  
232 management actions that may have significantly altered selection, catch rates, or discards).

## 233 1.7 Management Performance management-performance-1

234 Include: Management performance, including a table or tables comparing Overfishing Limit  
235 (OFL), Annual Catch Limit (ACL), Harvest Guideline (HG) [CPS only], landings, and catch  
236 (i.e., landings plus discard) for each area and year.

237 Management performance table: (Table [f](#))  
238 A summary of these values as well as other base case summary results can be found in Table  
239 [i](#).

## 240 1.8 Fisheries off Canada, Alaska, and/or Mexico fisheries-off-canada-alaska-andor-mexico

241 Include if necessary.

# 242 2 Assessment assessment

## 243 2.1 Data data

244 Data used in the China rockfish assessment are summarized in Figure [2](#).  
245 A description of each data source is below.

### 246 2.1.1 Commercial Fishery Landings commercial-fishery-landings

247 Sub-heading 1

248 Sub-heading 2

249 Sub-heading 3

250 **2.1.2 Sport Fishery Removals**

sport-fishery-removals

251 **Sub-heading 1**

252 **Sub-heading 2**

253 **Sub-heading 3**

254 **2.1.3 Estimated Discards**

estimated-discards

255 **Sub-heading 1**

256 **Sub-heading 2**

257 **Sub-heading 3**

258 **2.1.4 Abundance Indices**

abundance-indices

259 **Sub-heading 1**

260 **Sub-heading 2**

261 **2.1.5 Fishery-Independent Data: possible sources**

fishery-independent-data-possible-sources

262 *Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC) slope survey*

263 The NWFSC slope survey was conducted annually from 1999 to 2002.

264 The depth range of this survey is 100-700 fm.

265 *Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC) shelf-slope survey*

266 This survey is referred to as the “combo,” conducted annually since 2003.

267 The survey consistently covered depths between 30 and 700 fm.

268 *Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC) shelf survey*

269 The survey, often referred to as the “triennial” survey was conducted every third year between  
270 1977 and (and conducted in 2004 by the NWFSC using the same protocols). The triennial  
271 survey trawls in depths of 30 to 275 fm.

272 *Pikitch Study*

273 The Pikitch study was conducted between 1985 and 1987 (Pikitch et al. [1988](#)). The northern

and southern boundaries of the study were 48°42' N latitude and 42°60' N. latitude respectively, which is primarily within the Columbia INPFC area (Pikitch et al. 1988 , Rogers and Pikitch 1992). Participation in the study was voluntary and included vessels using bottom, midwater, and shrimp trawl gears.

Observers of normal fishing operations on commercial vessels collected the data, estimated the total weight of the catch by tow and recorded the weight of species retained and discarded in the sample.

#### *Enhanced Data Collection Project (EDCP)*

The EDCP was conducted by ODFW to collect information on bycatch and discard groundfish species off the coast of Oregon from late 1995 to early 1999.

EDCP had limited spatial coverage in Oregon waters only.

#### *Partnership For Interdisciplinary Studies of Coastal Oceans (PISCO)*

Blurb on species presence in PISCO surveys

### **2.1.6 Biological Parameters and Data**

biological-parameters-and-data

#### **Length And Age Compositions**

Include: Sample size information for length and age composition data by area, year, gear, market category, etc., including both the number of trips and fish sampled.

Length compositions were provided from the following sources, by region, with brief descriptions below:

##### *Model 1*

- Source No. 1 (*ex. research, commercial dead fish, live fish, etc,*  
date range (ex. 2010-2011))
- Source No. 2 (*ex. research, commercial dead fish, live fish, etc,*  
date range (ex. 2010-2011))
- etc...
- Begin sublist if desired
  - Sublist source No. 1
  - Sublist source No. 2
  - etc...
- Back to main list, next Source
- Last Source

Can duplicate this list if you have more than one assessment model

Possible sources of age and length data:

*Recreational: Washington (WDFW)*

*Recreational: California MRFSS And CRFS Length Composition Data* Individual fish lengths recorded by MRFSS (1980-2003) and CRFS (2004-2011) samplers were downloaded from the RecFIN website (www.recfin.org). CRFS data from 2012-2014 were obtained directly from CDFW.

*Recreational: Oregon Recreational Boat Survey (ORBS)* Biological data from the ORBS program were provided by ODFW. The ORBS is a dockside sampling program for the both the recreational CPFV and private modes. Length composition samples from north of Florence for the CPFV and private fleets were provided from 1980-2014. Samples from south of Florence spanned 1984-2014

*Recreational: Miller and Gotshall (1965)*

The Northern California Marine Sport Fish Survey conducted an assessment survey with goals that included estimation of annual fishing effort by all recreational fishing modes, catch by weight, CPUE, and collection of data to analyze length compositions

*Commercial: PacFIN (Oregon and California)*

*Research: NMFS Groundfish Ecology Survey*

From 2001-2005, the SWFSC Fisheries Ecology Division conducted longline surveys aboard a chartered commercial longline vessel at various stations between Monterey and Davenport, CA (36° N. latitude to 37.5° N. latitude) (pers. comm. Don Pearson, SWFSC). Longline gear was set in various depths from 10 meters to 700 meters, parallel to the depth contour. Each longline set consisted of 3-5 skates, each with about 250 2/0 circle hooks baited with squid. In nearshore habitats, the gear soaked for roughly 30 minutes.

*Research: California Collaborative Fisheries Research Program (CCFRP)*

*Research: NWFSC shelf-slope survey*

*Research: NWFSC slope survey*

*Research: Abrams Thesis*

## **Age Structures**

Age structure data were available from the following sources:

### *Model Region 1*

- Source No. 1 (*ex. research, commercia dead fish, live fish, etc,*  
date range (ex. 2010-2011))



- 338     • Source No. 2 (*ex. research, commercia dead fish, live fish, etc,*
- 339         date range (ex. 2010-2011)
- 340     • etc...
- 341     • Begin sublist if desired
  - 342         – Sublist source No. 1
  - 343         – Sublist source No. 2
  - 344         – etc...
- 345     • Back to main list, next Source
- 346     • Last Source

347   Can duplicate this list if you have more than one assessment model

348   Length-at-age was initially estimated external to the population dynamics models using the  
 349   von Bertalanffy growth curve (Bertalanffy 1938),  $L_i = L_\infty e^{(-k[t-t_0])}$ , where  $L_i$  is the length  
 350   (cm) at age  $i$ ,  $t$  is age in years,  $k$  is rate of increase in growth,  $t_0$  is the intercept, and  $L_\infty$  is  
 351   the asymptotic length.

## 352   **Aging Precision And Bias**

### 353   **Weight-Length**

354   The weight-length relationship is based on the standard power function:  $W = \alpha(L^\beta)$  where  
 355    $W$  is individual weight (kg),  $L$  is length (cm), and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are coefficients used as constants.

### 356   **Maturity And Fecundity**

### 357   **Natural Mortality**

358   Natural mortality for wild fish populations is extremely difficult to estimate.

### 359   **Sex ratios**

360 **2.1.7 Environmental Or Ecosystem Data Included In The Assessment**  
environmental-or-ecosystem-data-included-in-the-assessment

361 **2.2 History Of Modeling Approaches Used For This Stock**  
history-of-modeling-approaches-used-for-this-stock

362 **2.2.1 Previous Assessments**  
previous-assessments

363 **2.2.2 Previous Assessment Recommendations**  
previous-assessment-recommendations

364 Include: Response to STAR panel recommendations from the most recent previous assessment.

365 **Recommendation 1: blah blah blah.**

366

367 STAT response: blah blah blah....

368 **Recommendation 2: blah blah blah.**

369

370 STAT response: blah blah blah....

371 **Recommendation 3: blah blah blah., etc.**

372

373 STAT response: Continue recommendations as needed

374 **2.3 Model Description**  
model-description

375 **2.3.1 Transition To The Current Stock Assessment**  
transition-to-the-current-stock-assessment

376 Include: Complete description of any new modeling approaches

377 Below, we describe the most important changes made since the last full assessment and  
378 explain rationale for each change.:

379 1. Change No. 1. *Rationale*: blah blah blah.

380 2. Change No. 2. *Rationale*: blah blah blah.

381 3. Change No. 3. *Rationale*: Continue list as needed.

382 **2.3.2 Definition of Fleets and Areas** definition-of-fleets-and-areas

383 We generated data sources for each of the models. Fleets by model include:

384 **Model Region 1 or remove this line if only one model**

385 *Commercial*: The commercial fleets include...

386 *Recreational*: The recreational fleets include...

387 *Research*: Research derived-data include...

388 **2.3.3 Summary of Data for Fleets and Areas** summary-of-data-for-fleets-and-areas

389 **2.3.4 Modeling Software** modeling-software

390 The STAT team used Stock Synthesis 3 version 3.24u by Dr. Richard Methot at the NWFSC.

391 This most recent version (SS-V3.24u) was used, since it included improvements and corrections

392 to older versions.

393 **2.3.5 Data Weighting** data-weighting

394 Citation for Francis method (Francis [2011](#))

395 Citation for Ianelli-McAllister harmonic mean method (McAllister and Ianelli [1997](#))

396 **2.3.6 Priors** priors

397 Citation for Hamel prior on natural mortality (Hamel [2015](#))

398 **2.3.7 General Model Specifications** general-model-specifications

399 Citation for posterior predictive fecundity relationship from Dick ([2009](#))

400 Model data, control, starter, and forecast files can be found in Appendices A-D.

401 **2.3.8 Estimated And Fixed Parameters** estimated-and-fixed-parameters

402 A full list of all estimated and fixed parameters is provided in Tables... Estimated and fixed

403 parameters tables currently read in from .csv file, EXAMPLE: Table ??

404 **2.4 Model Selection and Evaluation** model-selection-and-evaluation

405 **2.4.1 Key Assumptions and Structural Choices** key-assumptions-and-structural-choices

406 Include: Evidence of search for balance between model realism and parsimony.  
407 Comparison of key model assumptions, include comparisons based on nested models (e.g.,  
408 asymptotic vs. domed selectivities, constant vs. time-varying selectivities).

409 **2.4.2 Alternate Models Considered** alternate-models-considered

410 Include: Summary of alternate model configurations that were tried but rejected.

411 **2.4.3 Convergence** convergence

412 Include: Randomization run results or other evidence of search for global best estimates.

413 Convergence testing through use of dispersed starting values often requires extreme values to  
414 actually explore new areas of the multivariate likelihood surface. Jitter is a SS option that  
415 generates random starting values from a normal distribution logistically transformed into  
416 each parameter's range (Methot 2015). Table 3 shows the results of running 100 jitters for  
417 each pre-STAR base model. . . .

418 **2.5 Response To The Current STAR Panel Requests** response-to-the-current-star-panel-requests

419 **Request No. 1: Add after STAR panel.**

420

421 **Rationale:** Add after STAR panel.

422 **STAT Response:** Add after STAR panel.

423 **Request No. 2: Add after STAR panel.**

424

425 **Rationale:** Add after STAR panel.

426 **STAT Response:** Add after STAR panel.

427 **Request No. 3: Add after STAR panel.**

428

429 **Rationale:** Add after STAR panel.

430 **STAT Response:** Add after STAR panel.

431 Request No. 4: Example of a request that may have a list:

432

- 433 • Item No. 1
- 434 • Item No. 2
- 435 • Item No. 3, etc.

436 **Rationale:** Add after STAR panel.

437 **STAT Response:** Continue requests as needed.

## 438 2.6 Model 1

model-1

### 439 2.6.1 Model 1 Base Case Results

model-1-base-case-results

440 Table ??

### 441 2.6.2 Model 1 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analyses

model-1-uncertainty-and-sensitivity-analyses

442 Table [4](#)

### 443 2.6.3 Model 1 Retrospective Analysis

model-1-retrospective-analysis

### 444 2.6.4 Model 1 Likelihood Profiles

model-1-likelihood-profiles

### 445 2.6.5 Model 1 Harvest Control Rules (CPS only)

model-1-harvest-control-rules-cps-only

### 446 2.6.6 Model 1 Reference Points (groundfish only)

model-1-reference-points-groundfish-only

447 Intro sentence or two. . . (Table [5](#)).

448 Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is 5.5 mt. Table  
449 [e](#) shows the full suite of estimated reference points for the northern area model and Figure [k](#)  
450 shows the equilibrium yield curve.

|     |                                                                                   |                                              |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 451 | <b>2.7 Model 2</b>                                                                | model-2                                      |
| 452 | <b>2.7.1 Model 2 Base Case Results</b>                                            | model-2-base-case-results                    |
| 453 | <b>2.7.2 Model 2 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analyses</b>                         | model-2-uncertainty-and-sensitivity-analyses |
| 454 | <b>2.7.3 Model 2 Retrospective Analysis</b>                                       | model-2-retrospective-analysis               |
| 455 | <b>2.7.4 Model 2 Likelihood Profiles</b>                                          | model-2-likelihood-profiles                  |
| 456 | <b>2.7.5 Model 2 Harvest Control Rules (CPS only)</b>                             | model-2-harvest-control-rules-cps-only       |
| 457 | <b>2.7.6 Model 2 Reference Points (groundfish only)</b>                           | model-2-reference-points-groundfish-only     |
| 458 | <b>2.8 Model 3</b>                                                                | model-3                                      |
| 459 | <b>2.8.1 Model 3 Base Case Results</b>                                            | model-3-base-case-results                    |
| 460 | <b>2.8.2 Model 3 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analyses</b>                         | model-3-uncertainty-and-sensitivity-analyses |
| 461 | <b>2.8.3 Model 3 Retrospective Analysis</b>                                       | model-3-retrospective-analysis               |
| 462 | <b>2.8.4 Model 3 Likelihood profiles</b>                                          | model-3-likelihood-profiles                  |
| 463 | <b>2.8.5 Model 3 Harvest Control Rules (CPS only)</b>                             | model-3-harvest-control-rules-cps-only       |
| 464 | <b>2.8.6 Model 3 Reference Points (groundfish only)</b>                           | model-3-reference-points-groundfish-only     |
| 465 | <b>3 Harvest Projections and Decision Tables</b>                                  | harvest-projections-and-decision-tables      |
| 466 | Table <a href="#">f</a>                                                           |                                              |
| 467 | Model 1 Projections and Decision Table (groundfish only) (Table <a href="#">6</a> |                                              |
| 468 | Table <a href="#">h</a>                                                           |                                              |

469 **Model 2 Projections and Decision Table (groundfish only)**

470 **Model 3 Projections and Decision Table (groundfish only)**

## 471 **4 Regional Management Considerations**

regional-management-considerations

- 472 1. For stocks where current practice is to allocate harvests by management area, a  
473 recommended method of allocating harvests based on the distribution of biomass should  
474 be provided. The MT advisor should be consulted on the appropriate management  
475 areas for each stock.
- 476 2. Discuss whether a regional management approach makes sense for the species from a  
477 biological perspective.
- 478 3. If there are insufficient data to analyze a regional management approach, what are the  
479 research and data needs to answer this question?

## 480 **5 Research Needs**

research-needs

- 481 1. Research need No. 1
- 482 2. Research need No. 2
- 483 3. Research need No. 3
- 484 4. etc.

## 485 **6 Acknowledgments**

acknowledgments

486 Include: STAR panel members and affiliations as well as names and affiliations of persons  
487 who contributed data, advice or information but were not part of the assessment team. Not  
488 required in draft assessment undergoing review.





Table 1: List of parameters used in the base model, including estimated values and standard deviations (SD), bounds (minimum and maximum), estimation phase (negative values indicate not estimated), status (indicates if parameters are near bounds, and prior type information (mean, SD)).

| No. | Parameter            | Value  | Phase | Bounds               | Status | SD    | Prior (Exp.Val, SD)     |
|-----|----------------------|--------|-------|----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| 1   | NatMp_1_Fem_GP_1     | 0.070  | -3    | (0.01, 0.15)         |        |       | Log_Norm (-2.94, 0.53)  |
| 2   | L_at_Amin_Fem_GP_1   | 2.000  | -2    | (-10, 45)            |        |       | Normal (2, 10)          |
| 3   | L_at_Amax_Fem_GP_1   | 35.277 | 6     | (20, 50)             | OK     | 0.399 | Normal (34, 10)         |
| 4   | VonBert_K_Fem_GP_1   | 0.147  | 6     | (0.01, 0.3)          | OK     | 0.007 | Normal (0.1, 0.8)       |
| 5   | CV_young_Fem_GP_1    | 0.100  | -6    | (0.01, 0.25)         |        |       | None                    |
| 6   | CV_old_Fem_GP_1      | 0.083  | 6     | (0.01, 0.25)         | OK     | 0.008 | None                    |
| 7   | Wtlen_1_Fem          | 0.000  | -3    | (0, 1)               |        |       | None                    |
| 8   | Wtlen_2_Fem          | 3.177  | -3    | (2, 4)               |        |       | None                    |
| 9   | Mat50%_Fem           | 28.500 | -3    | (1, 100)             |        |       | None                    |
| 10  | Mat_slope_Fem        | -1.000 | -3    | (-9, 9)              |        |       | None                    |
| 11  | Eggs/kg_inter_Fem    | 0.196  | -3    | (-3, 3)              |        |       | None                    |
| 12  | Eggs/kg_slope_wt_Fem | 0.057  | -3    | (-3, 3)              |        |       | None                    |
| 13  | NatMp_1_Mal_GP_1     | 0.000  | -3    | (-1, 0.15)           |        |       | None                    |
| 14  | L_at_Amin_Mal_GP_1   | 0.000  | -2    | (-1, 45)             |        |       | Normal (2, 10)          |
| 15  | L_at_Amax_Mal_GP_1   | 0.000  | -4    | (-1, 50)             |        |       | Normal (33.13, 10)      |
| 16  | VonBert_K_Mal_GP_1   | 0.000  | -4    | (-1, 0.3)            |        |       | Normal (0.2461, 0.8)    |
| 17  | CV_young_Mal_GP_1    | 0.000  | -3    | (-1, 0.25)           |        |       | None                    |
| 18  | CV_old_Mal_GP_1      | 0.000  | -3    | (-1, 0.25)           |        |       | None                    |
| 19  | Wtlen_1_Mal          | 0.000  | -3    | (0, 1)               |        |       | None                    |
| 20  | Wtlen_2_Mal          | 3.177  | -3    | (2, 4)               |        |       | None                    |
| 24  | CohortGrowDev        | 0.000  | -4    | (0, 0)               |        |       | None                    |
| 25  | FracFemale_GP_1      | 0.500  | -99   | (0.000001, 0.999999) |        |       | None                    |
| 26  | SR_LN(R0)            | 3.468  | 1     | (2, 12)              | OK     | 0.162 | None                    |
| 27  | SR_BH_steep          | 0.773  | -3    | (0.2, 1)             |        |       | FullBeta (0.773, 0.147) |
| 28  | SR_sigmaR            | 0.500  | -3    | (0, 2)               |        |       | None                    |
| 29  | SR_regime            | 0.000  | -4    | (-5, 5)              |        |       | None                    |

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Table 1: List of parameters used in the base model, including estimated values and standard deviations (SD), bounds (minimum and maximum), estimation phase (negative values indicate not estimated), status (indicates if parameters are near bounds, and prior type information (mean, SD)).

| No.              | Parameter                              | Value  | Phase | Bounds    | Status | SD    | Prior (Exp.Val, SD) |
|------------------|----------------------------------------|--------|-------|-----------|--------|-------|---------------------|
| 30               | SR_autocorr                            | 0.000  | -99   | (0, 0)    |        |       | None                |
| 68               | LnQ_base_3_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PR(3)     | -5.308 | -1    | (-15, 15) |        |       | None                |
| 69               | Q_extraSD_3_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PR(3)    | 0.126  | 2     | (0, 2)    | OK     | 0.024 | None                |
| 70               | SizeSel_P1.1_WA_SouthernWA_Rec.PCPR(1) | 34.890 | -4    | (19, 36)  |        |       | None                |
| 71               | SizeSel_P2.1_WA_SouthernWA_Rec.PCPR(1) | -4.000 | -9    | (-9, 5)   |        |       | None                |
| 72               | SizeSel_P3.1_WA_SouthernWA_Rec.PCPR(1) | 3.918  | 5     | (0, 9)    | OK     | 0.354 | None                |
| 73               | SizeSel_P4.1_WA_SouthernWA_Rec.PCPR(1) | 8.000  | -9    | (0, 9)    |        |       | None                |
| 74               | SizeSel_P5.1_WA_SouthernWA_Rec.PCPR(1) | -8.000 | -9    | (-9, 9)   |        |       | None                |
| 75               | SizeSel_P6.1_WA_SouthernWA_Rec.PCPR(1) | 8.000  | -9    | (-9, 9)   |        |       | None                |
| 76               | SizeSel_P1.2_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PC(2)   | 35.043 | 4     | (19, 36)  | OK     | 0.891 | None                |
| 77               | SizeSel_P2.2_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PC(2)   | -4.000 | -9    | (-9, 5)   |        |       | None                |
| 78               | SizeSel_P3.2_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PC(2)   | 2.945  | 5     | (0, 9)    | OK     | 0.309 | None                |
| 79               | SizeSel_P4.2_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PC(2)   | 8.000  | -9    | (0, 9)    |        |       | None                |
| 80               | SizeSel_P5.2_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PC(2)   | -8.000 | -9    | (-9, 9)   |        |       | None                |
| 81               | SizeSel_P6.2_WA_NorthernWA_Rec.PC(2)   | 8.000  | -9    | (-9, 9)   |        |       | None                |
| tab:model_params |                                        |        |       |           |        |       |                     |

Table 2: Summary of the biomass/abundance time series used in the stock assessment.

| tab:Index_summary |    |       |               |                  |                 |                                               |                              |          |
|-------------------|----|-------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| Region            | ID | Fleet | Years         | Name             | Fishery<br>ind. | Filtering                                     | Method                       | Endorsed |
| WA                | 1  | 4     | 1981-<br>2014 | Dockside<br>CPUE | No              | trip, area,<br>month,<br>Stephens-<br>MacCall | delta-GLM<br>(bin-<br>gamma) | SSC      |
| -                 | -  | -     | -             | -                | -               | -                                             | -                            | -        |
| -                 | -  | -     | -             | -                | -               | -                                             | -                            | -        |
| -                 | -  | -     | -             | -                | -               | -                                             | -                            | -        |

Table 3: Results from 100 jitters from each of the three models.

| Status                | Model.1 | Model.2 | Model.3 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Returned to base case | -       | -       | -       |
| Found local minimum   | -       | -       | -       |
| Found better solution | -       | -       | -       |
| Error in likelihood   | -       | -       | -       |
| Total                 | 100     | 100     | 100     |

tab:jitter

Table 5: Time-series of population estimates from the base-case model.

| Yr   | Total<br>biomass<br>(mt) | Spawning<br>biomass<br>(mt) | Depletion | Age-0<br>recruits | Total catch<br>(mt) | Relative ex-<br>ploitation<br>rate | SPR  |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|------|
| 1900 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1901 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1902 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1903 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1904 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1905 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1906 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1907 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1908 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1909 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1910 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1911 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1912 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1913 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1914 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1915 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1916 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1917 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1918 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1919 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1920 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1921 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1922 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1923 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1924 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1925 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1926 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1927 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1928 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1929 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1930 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1931 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1932 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1933 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1934 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1935 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1936 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1937 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1938 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1939 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |

Table 5: Time-series of population estimates from the base-case model.

| Yr   | Total<br>biomass<br>(mt) | Spawning<br>biomass<br>(mt) | Depletion | Age-0<br>recruits | Total catch<br>(mt) | Relative ex-<br>ploitation<br>rate | SPR  |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|------|
| 1940 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1941 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1942 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1943 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1944 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1945 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1946 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1947 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1948 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1949 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1950 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1951 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1952 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1953 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1954 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1955 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1956 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1957 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1958 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1959 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1960 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1961 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1962 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1963 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1964 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1965 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1966 | 224                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 0                   | 0.00                               | 1.00 |
| 1967 | 207                      | 23                          | 0.00      | 32                | 1                   | 0.00                               | 0.90 |
| 1968 | 203                      | 22                          | 0.99      | 32                | 2                   | 0.00                               | 0.88 |
| 1969 | 200                      | 22                          | 0.99      | 32                | 2                   | 0.19                               | 0.87 |
| 1970 | 197                      | 22                          | 0.98      | 32                | 2                   | 0.22                               | 0.85 |
| 1971 | 194                      | 22                          | 0.97      | 32                | 2                   | 0.25                               | 0.83 |
| 1972 | 190                      | 22                          | 0.96      | 32                | 3                   | 0.28                               | 0.81 |
| 1973 | 187                      | 21                          | 0.95      | 32                | 3                   | 0.31                               | 0.79 |
| 1974 | 184                      | 21                          | 0.94      | 32                | 3                   | 0.34                               | 0.78 |
| 1975 | 181                      | 21                          | 0.92      | 32                | 4                   | 0.37                               | 0.76 |
| 1976 | 198                      | 21                          | 0.91      | 32                | 2                   | 0.20                               | 0.86 |
| 1977 | 204                      | 20                          | 0.91      | 32                | 1                   | 0.15                               | 0.89 |
| 1978 | 177                      | 20                          | 0.90      | 32                | 4                   | 0.41                               | 0.74 |
| 1979 | 185                      | 20                          | 0.89      | 32                | 3                   | 0.33                               | 0.78 |

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| Yr   | Total<br>biomass<br>(mt) | Spawning<br>biomass<br>(mt) | Depletion | Age-0<br>recruits | Total catch<br>(mt) | Relative ex-<br>ploitation<br>rate | SPR  |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|------|
| 1980 | 189                      | 20                          | 0.88      | 32                | 3                   | 0.28                               | 0.81 |
| 1981 | 191                      | 20                          | 0.87      | 32                | 2                   | 0.26                               | 0.82 |
| 1982 | 187                      | 20                          | 0.87      | 32                | 3                   | 0.31                               | 0.79 |
| 1983 | 184                      | 20                          | 0.86      | 32                | 3                   | 0.34                               | 0.78 |
| 1984 | 180                      | 19                          | 0.86      | 32                | 3                   | 0.38                               | 0.75 |
| 1985 | 180                      | 19                          | 0.85      | 32                | 3                   | 0.38                               | 0.75 |
| 1986 | 174                      | 19                          | 0.84      | 32                | 4                   | 0.45                               | 0.72 |
| 1987 | 164                      | 19                          | 0.83      | 32                | 5                   | 0.57                               | 0.67 |
| 1988 | 156                      | 18                          | 0.81      | 32                | 6                   | 0.70                               | 0.62 |
| 1989 | 148                      | 18                          | 0.79      | 31                | 7                   | 0.83                               | 0.58 |
| 1990 | 141                      | 17                          | 0.77      | 31                | 8                   | 0.97                               | 0.54 |
| 1991 | 166                      | 17                          | 0.75      | 31                | 4                   | 0.54                               | 0.68 |
| 1992 | 141                      | 17                          | 0.74      | 31                | 8                   | 0.96                               | 0.54 |
| 1993 | 146                      | 16                          | 0.71      | 31                | 7                   | 0.85                               | 0.57 |
| 1994 | 159                      | 16                          | 0.70      | 31                | 5                   | 0.63                               | 0.64 |
| 1995 | 164                      | 16                          | 0.69      | 31                | 4                   | 0.55                               | 0.67 |
| 1996 | 178                      | 16                          | 0.69      | 31                | 3                   | 0.38                               | 0.74 |
| 1997 | 179                      | 16                          | 0.69      | 31                | 3                   | 0.36                               | 0.75 |
| 1998 | 189                      | 16                          | 0.69      | 31                | 2                   | 0.26                               | 0.81 |
| 1999 | 183                      | 16                          | 0.70      | 31                | 2                   | 0.33                               | 0.77 |
| 2000 | 177                      | 16                          | 0.70      | 31                | 3                   | 0.40                               | 0.74 |
| 2001 | 170                      | 16                          | 0.70      | 31                | 4                   | 0.48                               | 0.70 |
| 2002 | 183                      | 16                          | 0.70      | 31                | 2                   | 0.33                               | 0.77 |
| 2003 | 185                      | 16                          | 0.71      | 31                | 2                   | 0.31                               | 0.78 |
| 2004 | 187                      | 16                          | 0.71      | 31                | 2                   | 0.29                               | 0.79 |
| 2005 | 181                      | 16                          | 0.71      | 31                | 3                   | 0.35                               | 0.76 |
| 2006 | 186                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 2                   | 0.30                               | 0.79 |
| 2007 | 178                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 3                   | 0.38                               | 0.75 |
| 2008 | 176                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 3                   | 0.41                               | 0.73 |
| 2009 | 180                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 3                   | 0.36                               | 0.76 |
| 2010 | 170                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 4                   | 0.47                               | 0.70 |
| 2011 | 175                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 3                   | 0.42                               | 0.73 |
| 2012 | 178                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 3                   | 0.38                               | 0.75 |
| 2013 | 173                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                | 3                   | 0.44                               | 0.72 |
| 2014 | 177                      | 16                          | 0.72      | 31                |                     |                                    |      |

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Table 4: Sensitivity of the base model to dropping or down-weighting data sources and alternative assumptions about growth.

| Label                       | tab:Sensitivity_model1       |                             |               |              |                            |                   |                 |                    |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|                             | Base<br>(Francis<br>weights) | Harmonic<br>mean<br>weights | Drop<br>index | Drop<br>ages | Down-<br>weight<br>lengths | Free size<br>Age0 | Free CV<br>Amin | External<br>growth |
| TOTAL_like                  | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Catch_like                  | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Equil_catch_like            | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Survey_like                 | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Length_comp_like            | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Age_comp_like               | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Parm_priors_like            | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_Unfished_thousand_mt    | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotBio_Unfished             | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SmryBio_Unfished            | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Recr_Unfished_billions      | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_Btgt_thousand_mt        | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SPR_Btgt                    | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Fstd_Btgt                   | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotYield_Btgt_thousand_mt   | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_SPRtgt_thousand_mt      | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Fstd_SPRtgt                 | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotYield_SPRtgt_thousand_mt | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_MSX_thousand_mt         | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SPR_MSX                     | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Fstd_MSX                    | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotYield_MSX_thousand_mt    | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| RetYield_MSX                | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Bratio_2015                 | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| F_2015                      | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SPRratio_2015               | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Recr_2015                   | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Recr_Virgin_billions        | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| L_at_Amin_Fem_GP_1          | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| L_at_Amax_Fem_GP_1          | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| VonBert_K_Fem_GP_1          | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| CV_young_Fem_GP_1           | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| CV_old_Fem_GP_1             | -                            | -                           | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |



Table 6: Projection of potential OFL, spawning biomass, and depletion for the base case model.

| Yr   | OFL<br>contriubtion<br>(mt) | ACL landings<br>(mt) | Age 5+<br>biomass (mt) | Spawning<br>Biomass (mt) | <b>tab:Forecast_mod1</b><br>Depletion |
|------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|      |                             |                      |                        |                          |                                       |
| 2015 | 8.76                        | 1.97                 | 166.83                 | 16.23                    | 0.72                                  |
| 2016 | 8.83                        | 2.03                 | 167.82                 | 16.34                    | 0.72                                  |
| 2017 | 8.89                        | 8.13                 | 168.72                 | 16.45                    | 0.73                                  |
| 2018 | 8.58                        | 7.86                 | 164.12                 | 15.91                    | 0.70                                  |
| 2019 | 8.31                        | 7.60                 | 159.96                 | 15.41                    | 0.68                                  |
| 2020 | 8.05                        | 7.37                 | 156.23                 | 14.96                    | 0.66                                  |
| 2021 | 7.82                        | 7.16                 | 152.89                 | 14.55                    | 0.64                                  |
| 2022 | 7.61                        | 6.97                 | 149.92                 | 14.19                    | 0.63                                  |
| 2023 | 7.43                        | 6.80                 | 147.27                 | 13.86                    | 0.61                                  |
| 2024 | 7.26                        | 6.65                 | 144.91                 | 13.57                    | 0.60                                  |
| 2025 | 7.11                        | 6.51                 | 142.80                 | 13.31                    | 0.59                                  |
| 2026 | 6.98                        | 6.39                 | 140.92                 | 13.08                    | 0.58                                  |



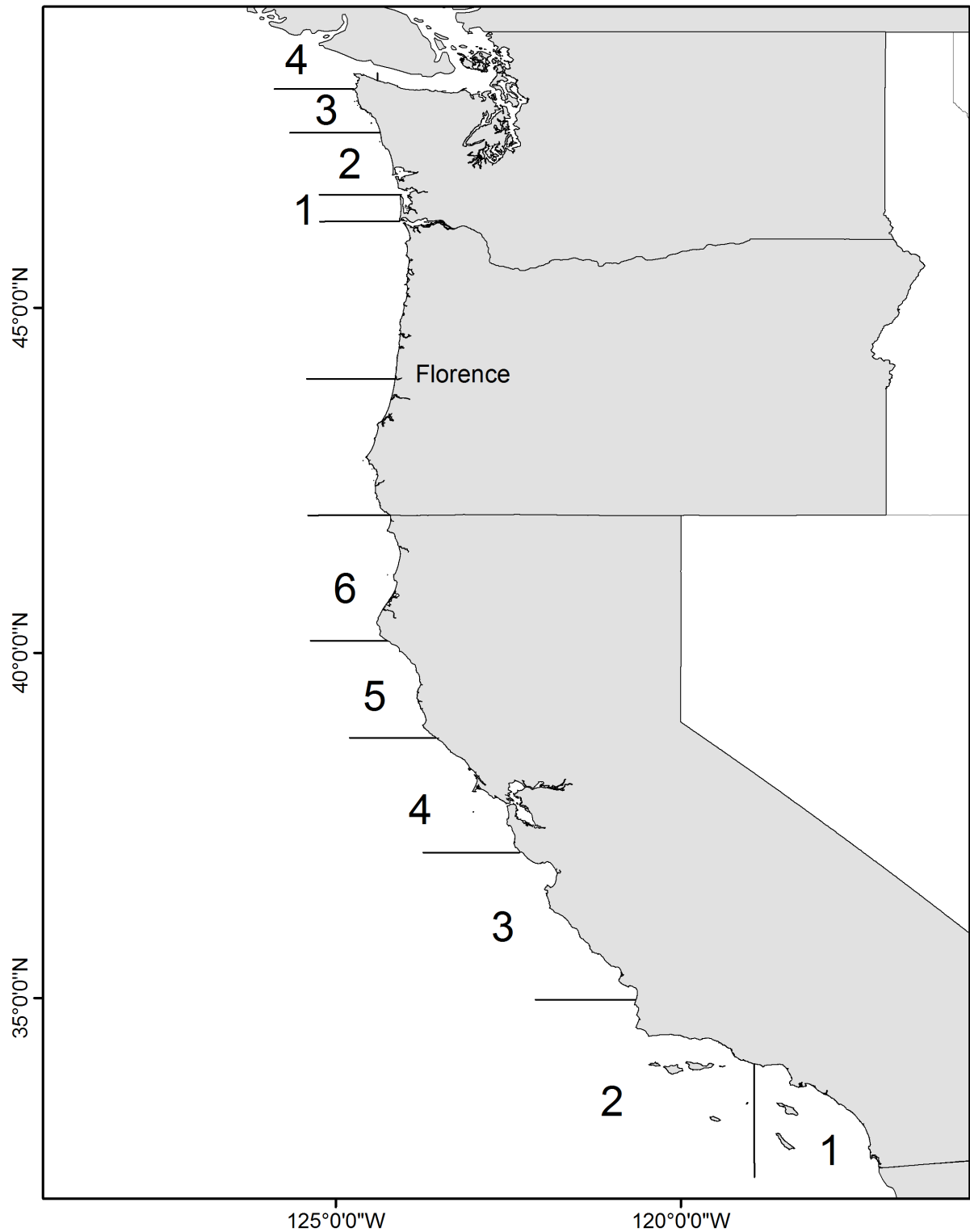


Figure 1: Map showing the state boundary lines for management of the recreational fishing fleets. CRFS Districts 1-6 in California are presented as well as the WDFW Recreational Management Areas in Washington. Florence, OR is shown as a potential location of model stratification. fig:boundary\_map

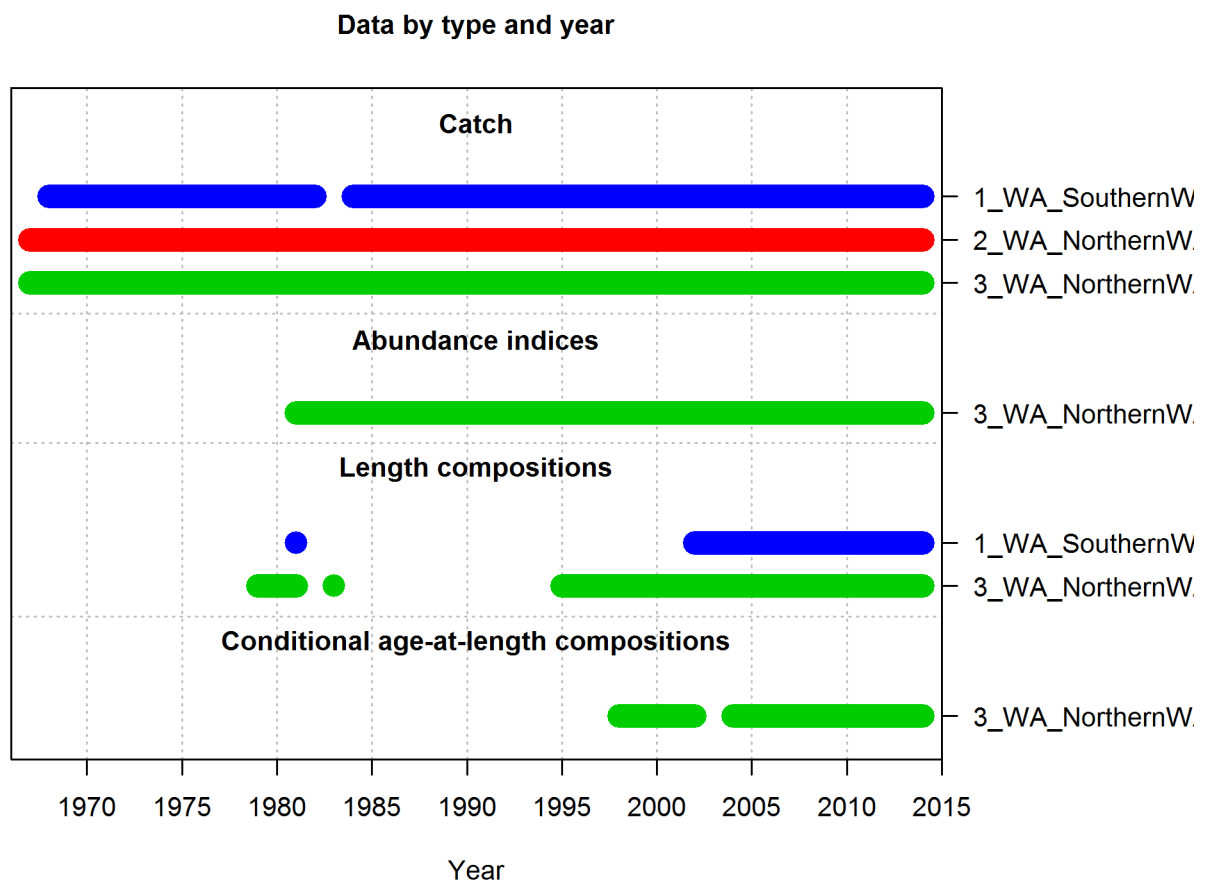


Figure 2: Summary of data sources used in the Northern model. <sup>fig:data\_plot</sup>

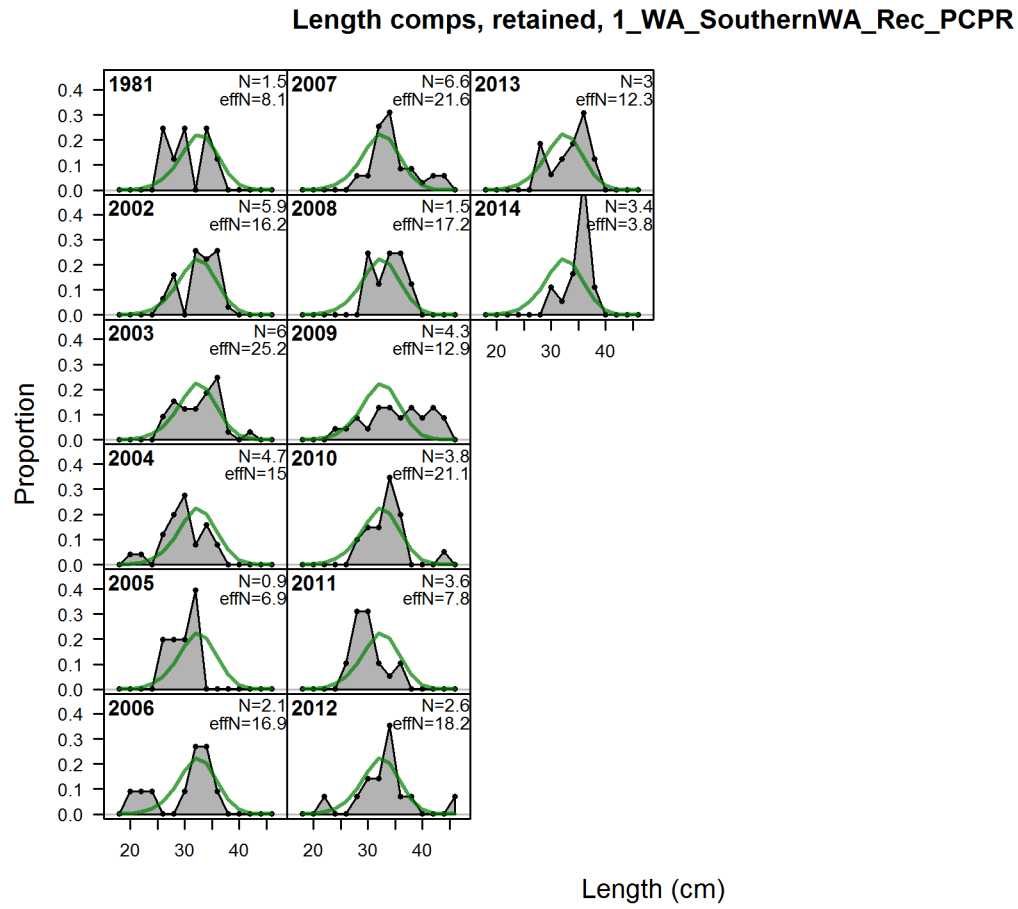


Figure 3: Length comps, retained, 1\_WA\_SouthernWA\_Rec\_PCPR fig:mod1\_1\_comp\_lenfit\_1



Figure 4: Pearson residuals, retained, 1\_WA\_SouthernWA\_Rec\_PCPR (max=4.62)  
 Closed bubbles are positive residuals (observed > expected) and open bubbles are negative residuals (observed < expected).  
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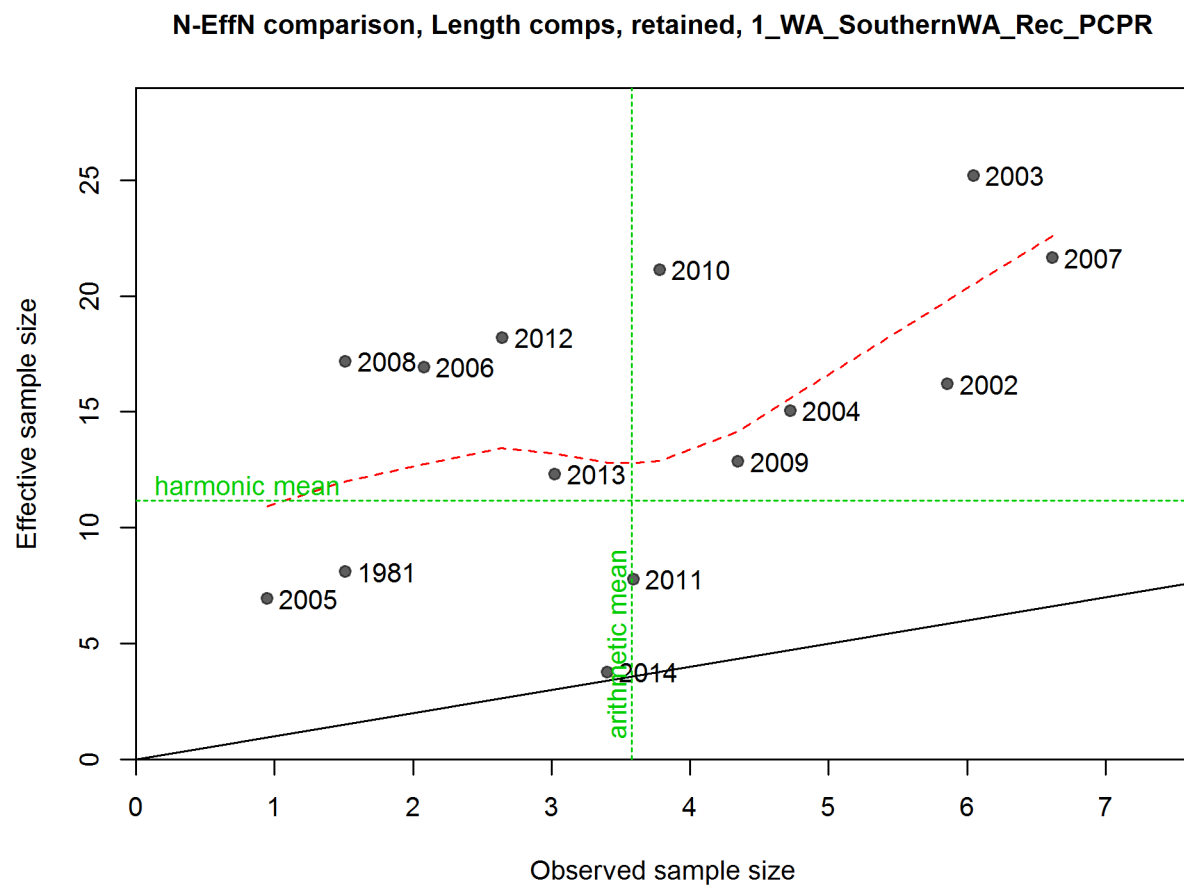


Figure 5: N-EffN comparison, Length comps, retained, 1\_WA\_SouthernWA\_Rec\_PCPR fig:mod1\_3\_comp

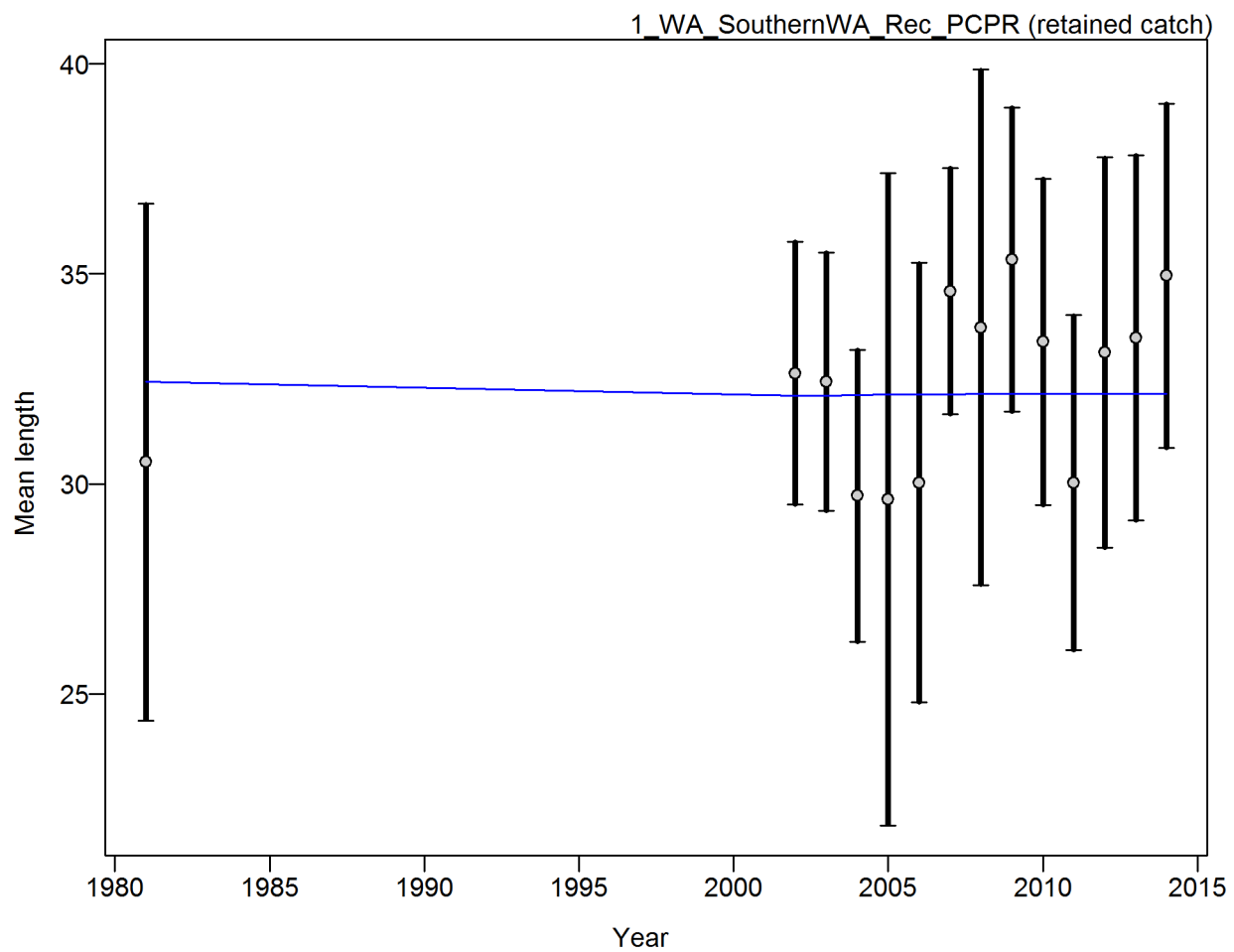


Figure 6: Francis data weighting method TA1.8: 1\_WA\_SouthernWA\_Rec\_PCPR Suggested sample size adjustment (with 95% interval) for len data from 1\_WA\_SouthernWA\_Rec\_PCPR: 0.9892 (0.6891\_2.1763) For more info, see Francis, R.I.C.C. (2011). Data weighting in statistical fisheries stock assessment models. Can. J. Fish. Aquat. Sci. 68: 1124\_1138. fig:mod1\_4\_comp\_



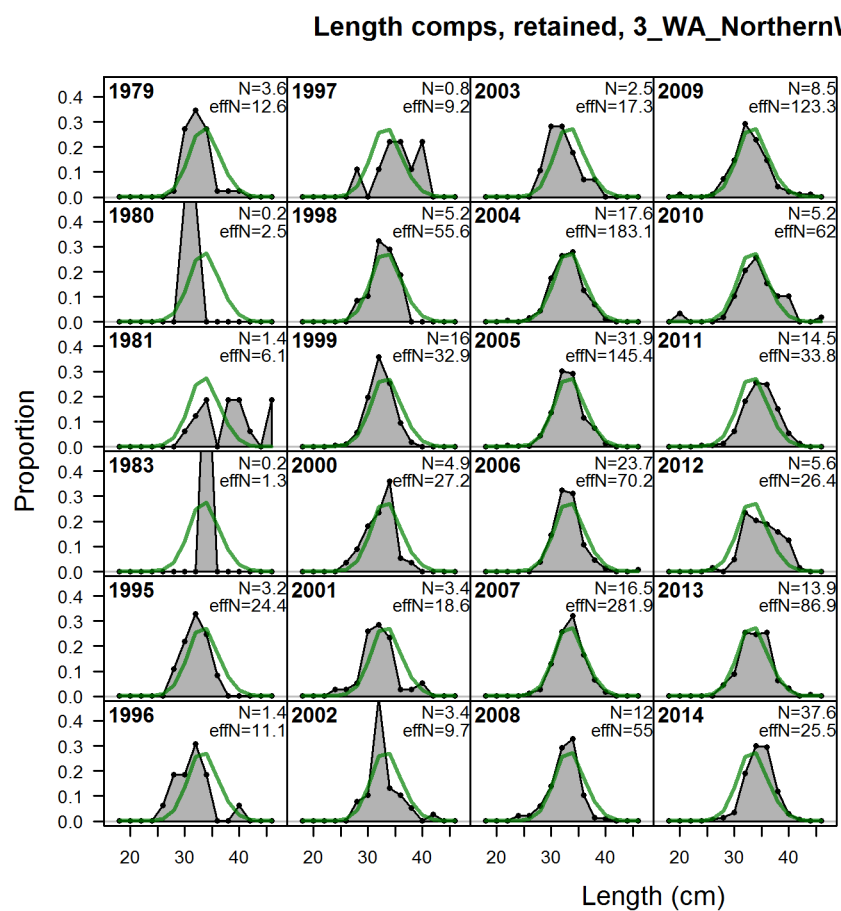
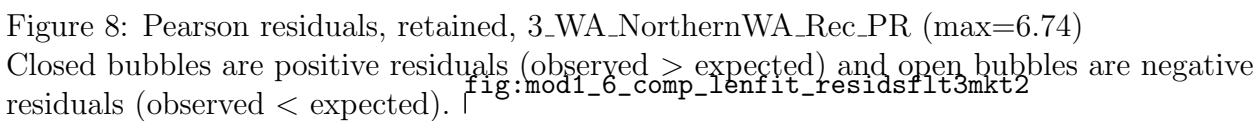


Figure 7: Length comps, retained, 3\_WA\_NorthernWA\_Rec\_PR | `fig:mod1_5_comp_lenfit_fl`



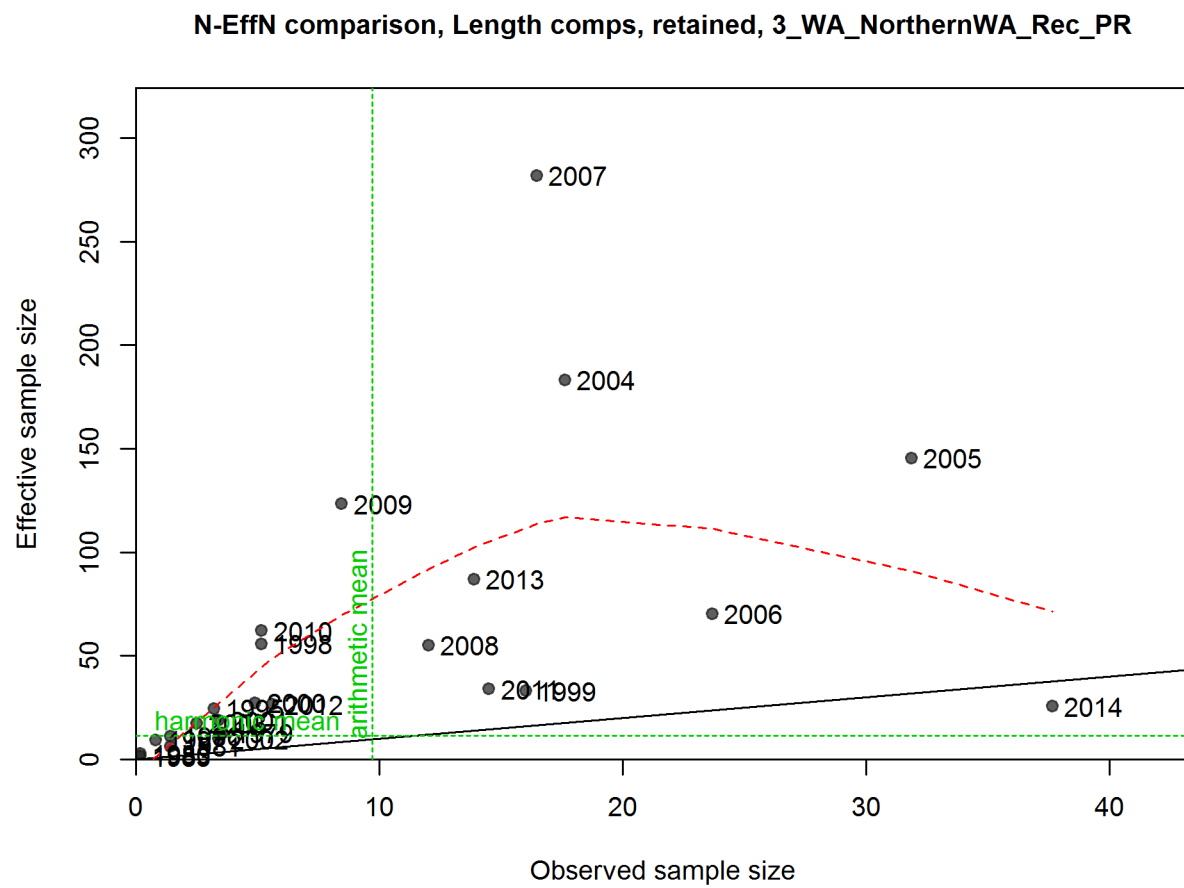


Figure 9: N\_EffN comparison, Length comps, retained, 3\_WA\_NorthernWA\_Rec\_PR fig:mod1\_7\_comp\_

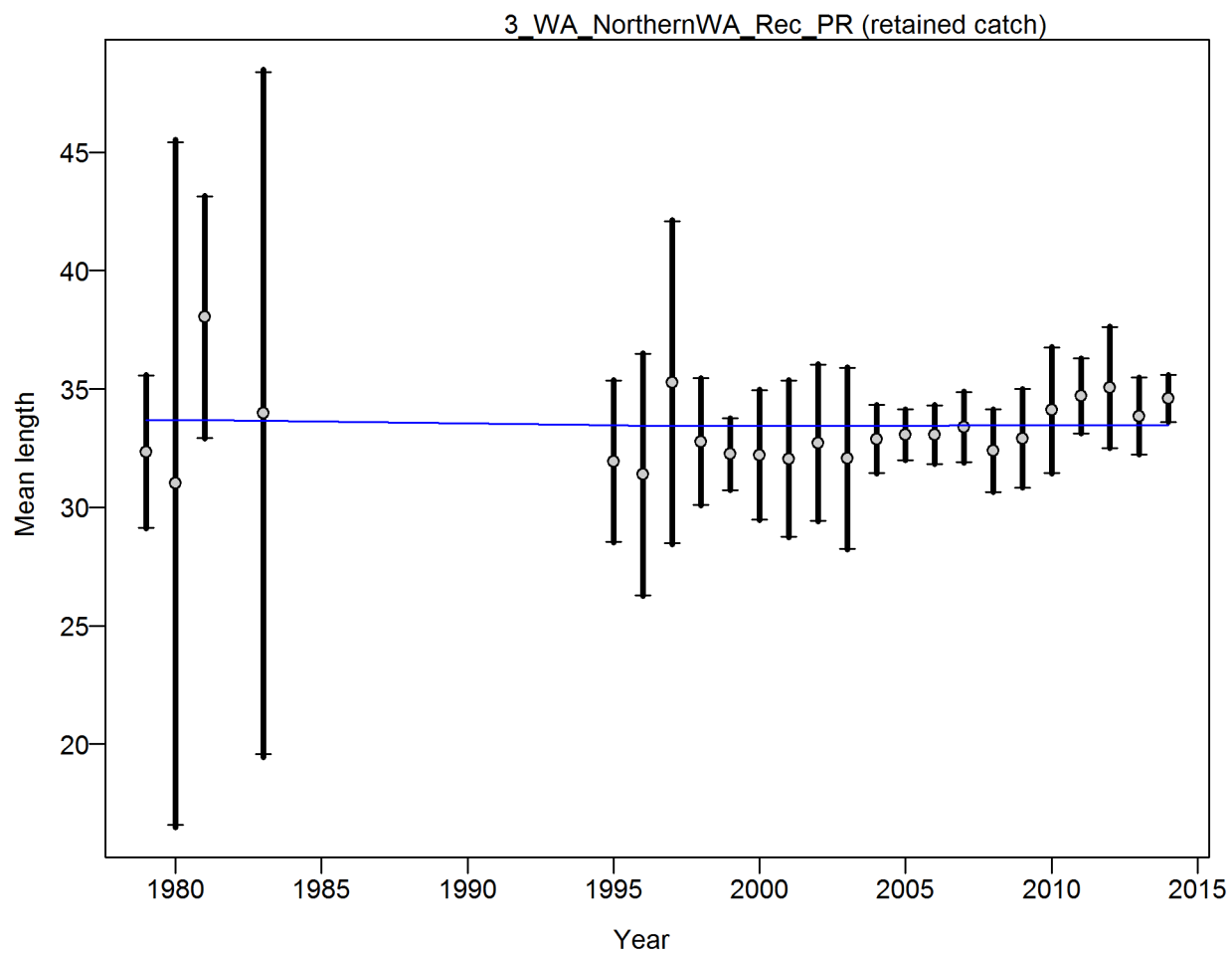


Figure 10: Francis data weighting method TA1.8: 3\_WA\_NorthernWA\_Rec\_PR Suggested sample size adjustment (with 95% interval) for len data from 3\_WA\_NorthernWA\_Rec\_PR: 1.0154 (0.6602\_2.5665) For more info, see Francis, R.I.C.C. (2011). Data weighting in statistical fisheries stock assessment models. Can. J. Fish. Aquat. Sci. 68: 1124\_1138. fig:mod1\_8\_comp\_

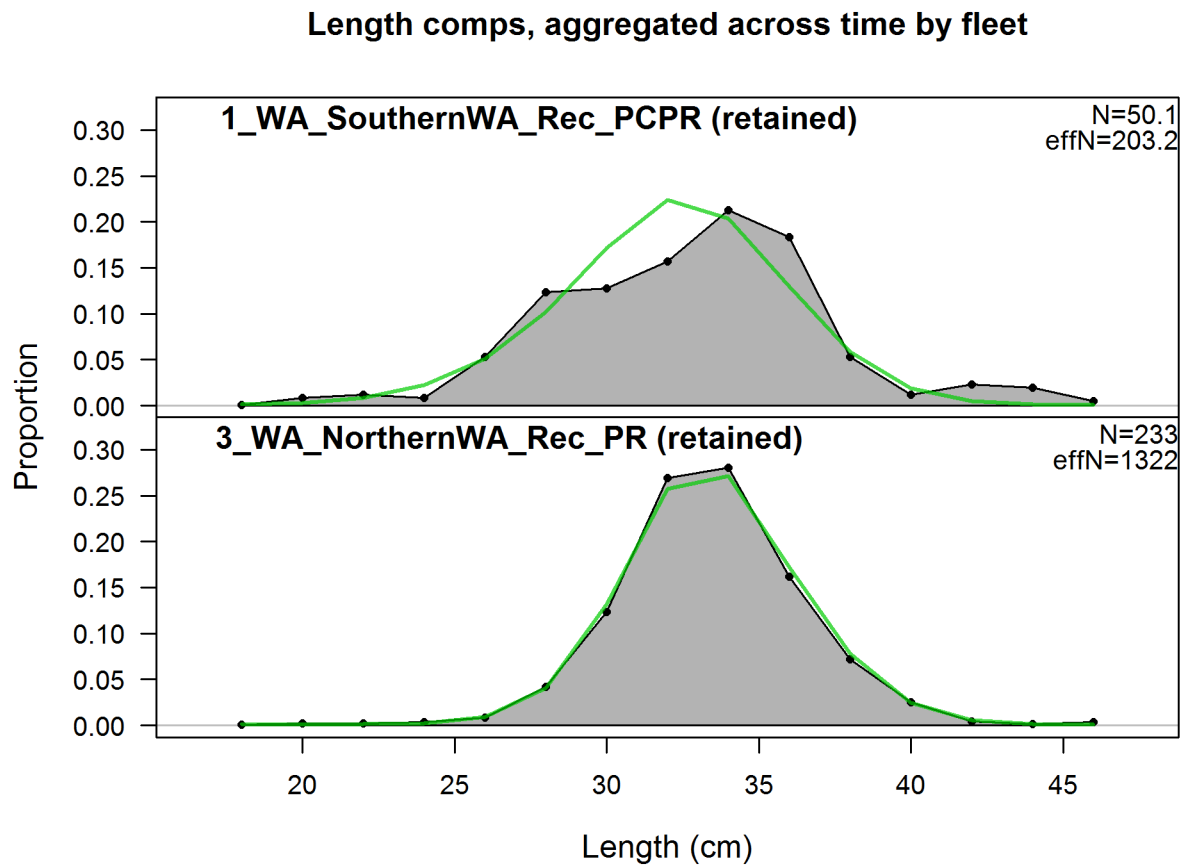


Figure 11: Length comps, aggregated across time by fleet. Labels 'retained' and 'discard' indicate discarded or retained sampled for each fleet. Panels without this designation represent the whole catch.   
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