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| **Table 1.** Notation and biological meaning of data and parameters. | |  |
| **Growth parameters** | |  |
| *Hsi* | Hatchling body size of individual *i* in mm | |
| *y2i* | The average body size at the maximum age of the individual *i* in mm | |
| *Ki* | Growth coefficient of the individual *i* (1/years) | |
| **Demographic parameters** |  | |
| *phii,t* | Survival probability of individual *i* in year *t* | |
| *pi,t* | Recapture probability of individual *i* in year *t* | |
| **Observational data** |  | |
| *yi,1:T* | Capture history of individual *i* over from the first (1) to the last (T) year of the study period | |
| *Lri,1:T* | Body size capture history in mm of individual *i* over from the first (1) to the last (T) year of the study period | |