

<sup>1</sup> Status of Yellowtail Rockfish (*Sebastes*  
<sup>2</sup> *flavidus*) Along the U.S. Pacific Coast in 2017



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<sup>97</sup> **Executive Summary**

executive-summary

<sup>98</sup> **Stock**

stock

<sup>99</sup> This assessment reports the status of the Yellowtail Rockfish (*Sebastodes flavidus*) resource in  
<sup>100</sup> U.S. waters off the coast of California, Oregon, and Washington using data through 2016.

<sup>101</sup> The Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) manages the U.S. fishery as two stocks  
<sup>102</sup> separated at Cape Mendocino, California ( $40^{\circ} 10'N$ ). This assessment analyzes those two  
<sup>103</sup> areas as independent stocks, with the southern stock extending southward to the U.S./Mexico  
<sup>104</sup> border and the northern stock extending northward to the U.S./Canada border.

<sup>105</sup> The previous assessment (Wallace and Lai [2005](#)), following the pattern of prior assessments,  
<sup>106</sup> included only the Northern stock which it divided into three assessment areas with divisions  
<sup>107</sup> at Cape Elizabeth ( $47^{\circ} 20'N$ ) and Cape Falcon ( $45^{\circ} 46'N$ ). However, a more recent genetic  
<sup>108</sup> analysis (Hess et al. n.d.) found distinct stocks north and south of Cape Mendocino but  
<sup>109</sup> did not find stock differences within the northern area, with the genetic stock extending  
<sup>110</sup> northward through British Columbia, Canada to Southeast Alaska. However, Canada and  
<sup>111</sup> Alaska are not included in this assessment.

<sup>112</sup> **Catches**

catches

<sup>113</sup> Catches from the Northern stock were divided into four categories: commercial catch, bycatch  
<sup>114</sup> in the at-sea hake fishery, recreational catch in Oregon and California (north of  $40^{\circ} 10'N$ ),  
<sup>115</sup> and recreational catch in Washington. The first three of these fleets were entered in metric  
<sup>116</sup> tons, but the recreational catch from Washington was entered in the model as numbers of  
<sup>117</sup> fish with the average weight calculated internally in the model.

<sup>118</sup> Catches from the Southern stock were divided into two categories: commercial and recreational  
<sup>119</sup> catch, both of which were entered as metric tons.

<sup>120</sup> **Include: trends and current levels-include table for last ten years and graph with long term**  
<sup>121</sup> **data**

<sup>122</sup> Catch figures: (Figures [a-b](#))  
<sup>123</sup> Catch tables: (Tables [a-b](#))

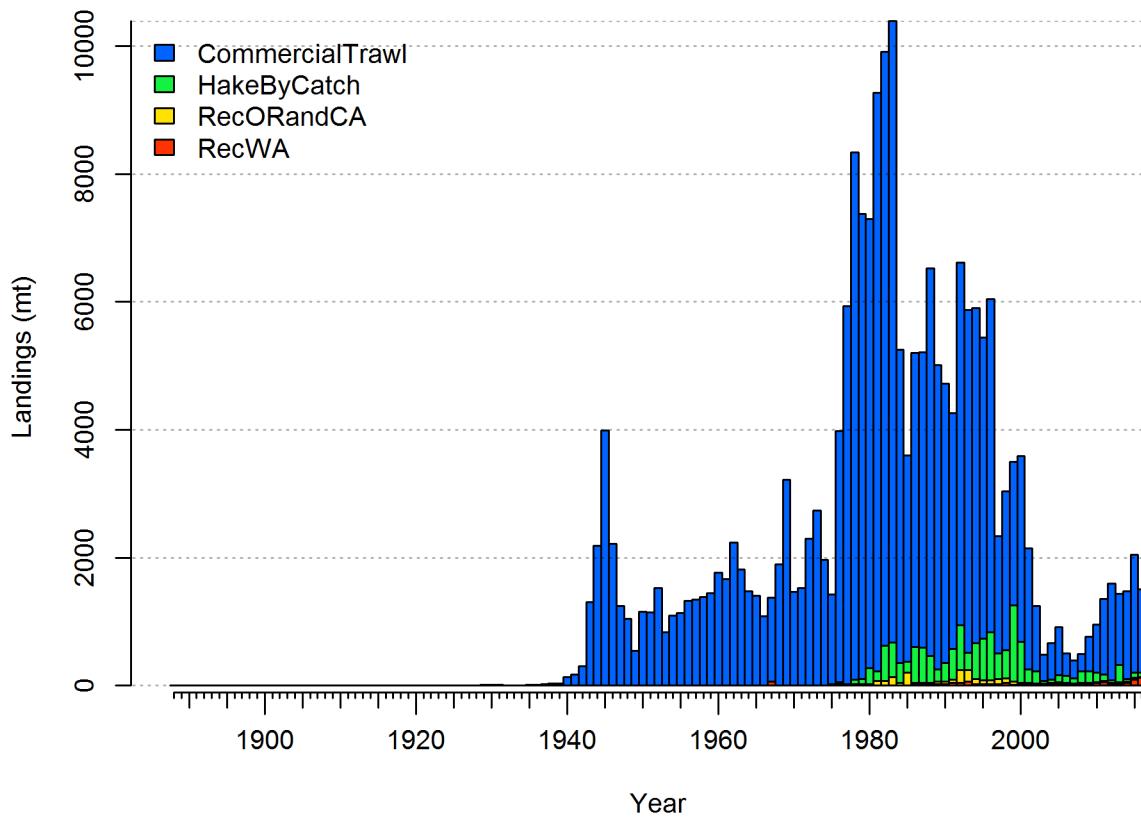


Figure a: Estimated catch history of Yellowtail Rockfish in the Northern model. Recreational catches in Washington are model estimates of total weight converted from input catch in numbers using model estimates of growth and selectivity.  
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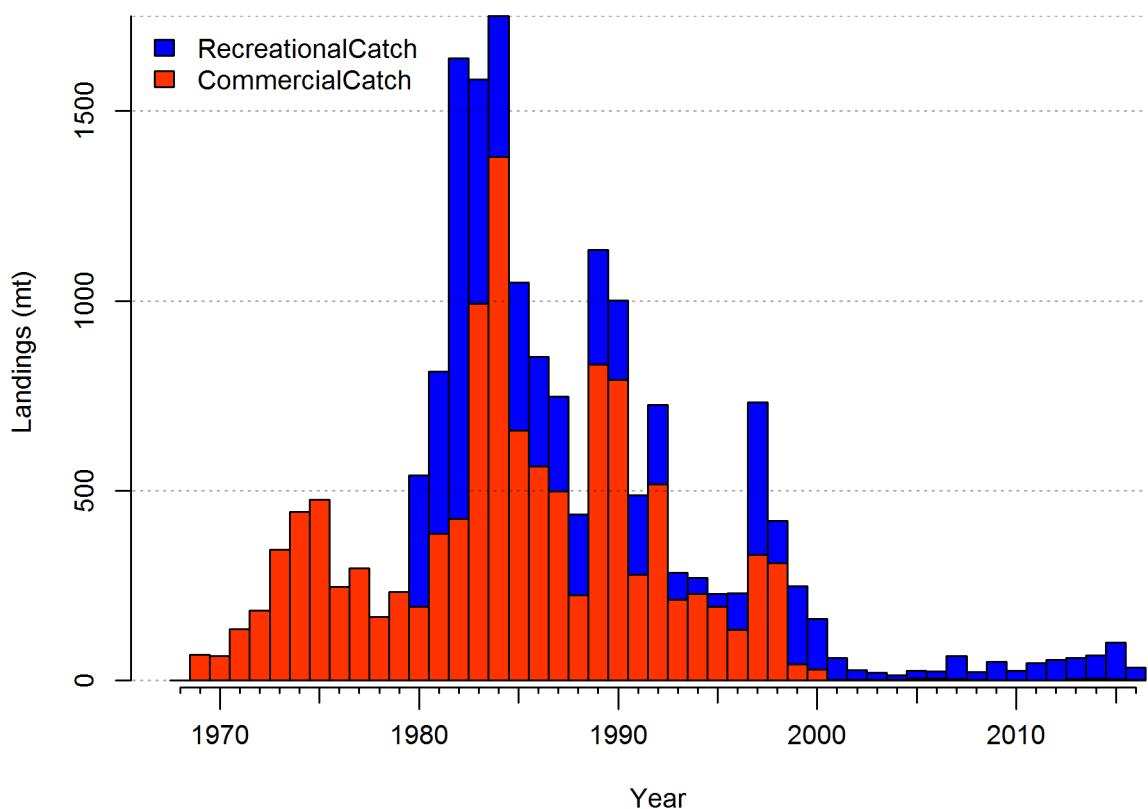


Figure b: Estimated catch history of Yellowtail Rockfish in the Southern model. [fig:r4ss\\_catch\\_S](#)

Table a: Recent Yellowtail Rockfish catch by fleet for the Northern stock (north of 40° 10'N).

**tab:Exec\_catch\_N**

| Year | Commercial<br>(t) | At-sea hake<br>bycatch (t) | Recreational<br>OR+CA (t) | Recreational<br>WA (1000s) |
|------|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2007 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2008 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2009 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2010 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2011 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2012 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2013 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2014 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2015 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |
| 2016 | -                 | -                          | -                         | -                          |

Table b: Recent Yellowtail Rockfish catch by fleet for the Southern stock (south of 40° 10'N).

**tab:Exec\_catch\_S**

| Year | Recreational (t) | Commercial (t) |
|------|------------------|----------------|
| 2007 | -                | -              |
| 2008 | -                | -              |
| 2009 | -                | -              |
| 2010 | -                | -              |
| 2011 | -                | -              |
| 2012 | -                | -              |
| 2013 | -                | -              |
| 2014 | -                | -              |
| 2015 | -                | -              |
| 2016 | -                | -              |

## 124 Data and Assessment

**data-and-assessment**

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

127 Yellowtail Rockfish was assessed.... This assessment uses the newest version of Stock  
 128 Synthesis (3.xxx). The model begins in 1889, and assumes the stock was at an unfished  
 129 equilibrium that year.

130 Map of assessment region: (Figure c).

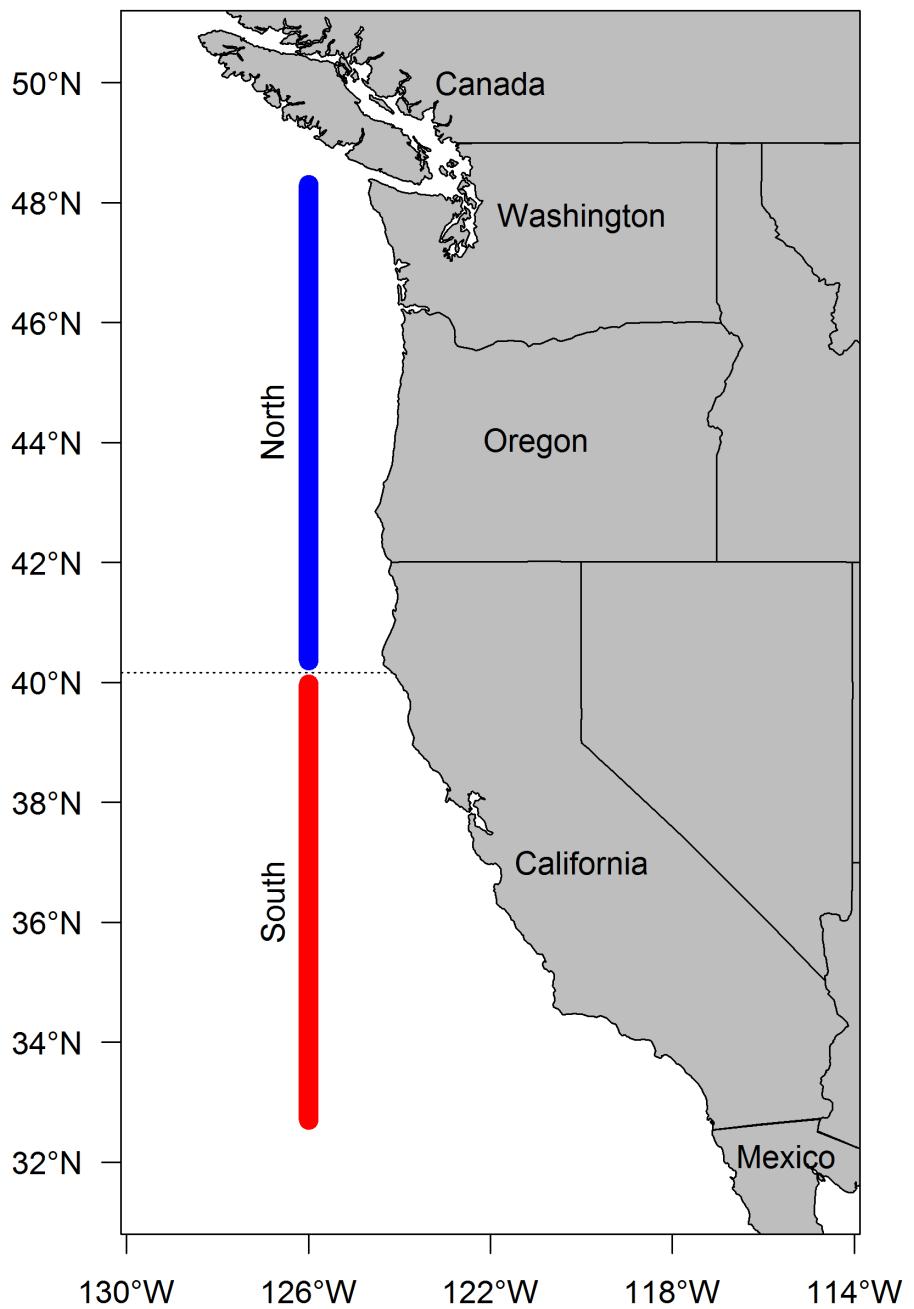


Figure c: Map depicting the boundaries for the base-case model. fig:assess\_region\_map

<sup>131</sup> **Stock Biomass**

stock-biomass

<sup>132</sup> **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.

<sup>134</sup> Spawning output Figure: Figure [d](#)

<sup>135</sup> Spawning output Table(s): Table [c](#)

<sup>136</sup> Relative depletion Figure: Figure [e](#)

<sup>137</sup> Example text (remove Models 2 and 3 if not needed - if using, remove the # in-line comments!!!)

<sup>138</sup> The estimated relative depletion level (spawning output relative to unfished spawning output)

<sup>139</sup> of the the base-case model in 2016 is 162% (~95% asymptotic interval: ± 130%-194%) (Figure

<sup>140</sup> [e](#)).

<sup>141</sup> The estimated relative depletion level of model 2 in 2016 is 85.6% (~95% asymptotic interval:

<sup>142</sup> ± 71.6%-99.5%) (Figure [e](#)).

<sup>143</sup> The estimated relative depletion level of model 3 in 2016 is (~95% asymptotic interval: ± )

<sup>144</sup> (Figure [e](#)).

Table c: Recent trend in beginning of the year spawning output and depletion for the Northern model for Yellowtail Rockfish.

| Year | Spawning Output<br>(billion eggs) | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval   | Estimated<br>depletion | <a href="#">tab:SpawningDeplete_mod1</a><br>~ 95% confidence<br>interval |
|------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2008 | 28237700.000                      | (17323385.76-<br>39152014.24)  | 0.478                  | (0.367-0.59)                                                             |
| 2009 | 32232200.000                      | (20121641.34-<br>44342758.66)  | 0.546                  | (0.424-0.667)                                                            |
| 2010 | 38164600.000                      | (24200307.4-<br>52128892.6)    | 0.646                  | (0.507-0.785)                                                            |
| 2011 | 46822000.000                      | (30038338.41-<br>63605661.59)  | 0.793                  | (0.626-0.96)                                                             |
| 2012 | 57714100.000                      | (37282651.44-<br>78145548.56)  | 0.977                  | (0.773-1.182)                                                            |
| 2013 | 69517400.000                      | (45139759.95-<br>93895040.05)  | 1.177                  | (0.934-1.421)                                                            |
| 2014 | 80401300.000                      | (52467893.29-<br>108334706.71) | 1.361                  | (1.087-1.636)                                                            |
| 2015 | 88775000.000                      | (58110383.48-<br>119439616.52) | 1.503                  | (1.208-1.799)                                                            |
| 2016 | 93687800.000                      | (61274307.62-<br>126101292.38) | 1.586                  | (1.277-1.896)                                                            |
| 2017 | 95739800.000                      | (62525662.33-<br>128953937.67) | 1.621                  | (1.305-1.937)                                                            |

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Table d: Recent trend in beginning of the year spawning output and depletion for the Southern model for Yellowtail Rockfish.

| Year | Spawning Output<br>(billion eggs) | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval | Estimated<br>depletion | <a href="#">tab:SpawningDeplete_mod2</a><br>~ 95% confidence<br>interval |
|------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2008 | 7464080.000                       | (2470993.35-<br>12457166.65) | 0.686                  | (0.561-0.811)                                                            |
| 2009 | 7394450.000                       | (2481761.07-<br>12307138.93) | 0.679                  | (0.56-0.799)                                                             |
| 2010 | 7341800.000                       | (2491947.52-<br>12191652.48) | 0.674                  | (0.56-0.789)                                                             |
| 2011 | 7333450.000                       | (2518465.28-<br>12148434.72) | 0.674                  | (0.563-0.784)                                                            |
| 2012 | 7366260.000                       | (2554587.62-<br>12177932.38) | 0.677                  | (0.57-0.784)                                                             |
| 2013 | 7469170.000                       | (2612928.04-<br>12325411.96) | 0.686                  | (0.58-0.792)                                                             |
| 2014 | 7645940.000                       | (2695188.57-<br>12596691.43) | 0.702                  | (0.596-0.808)                                                            |
| 2015 | 7974640.000                       | (2828519.36-<br>13120760.64) | 0.733                  | (0.623-0.843)                                                            |
| 2016 | 8506760.000                       | (3025426.72-<br>13988093.28) | 0.781                  | (0.662-0.901)                                                            |
| 2017 | 9313170.000                       | (3309545.52-<br>15316794.48) | 0.856                  | (0.716-0.995)                                                            |

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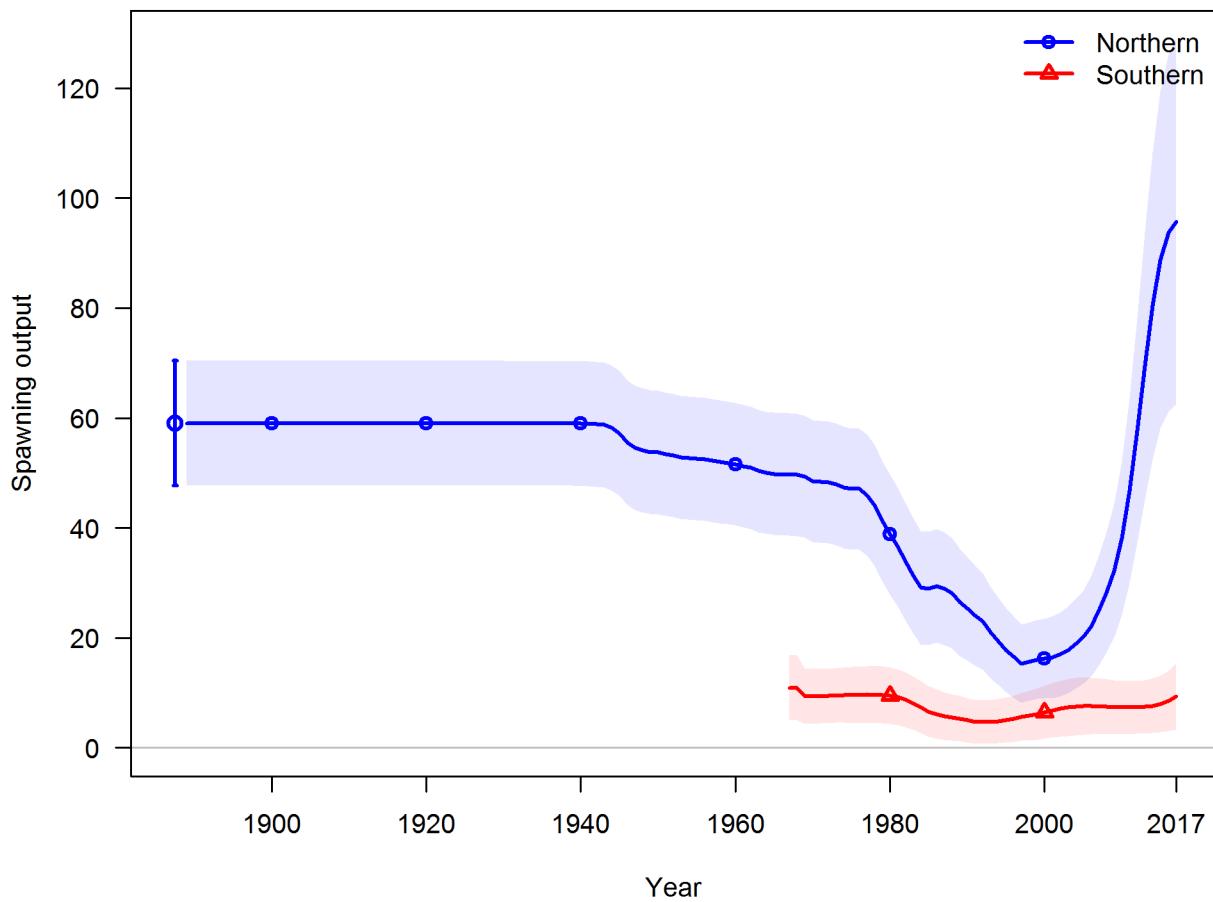


Figure d: Time series of spawning output trajectory (circles and line; median; light broken lines: 95% credibility intervals) for the base case assessment model. [fig:Spawnbio\\_all](#)

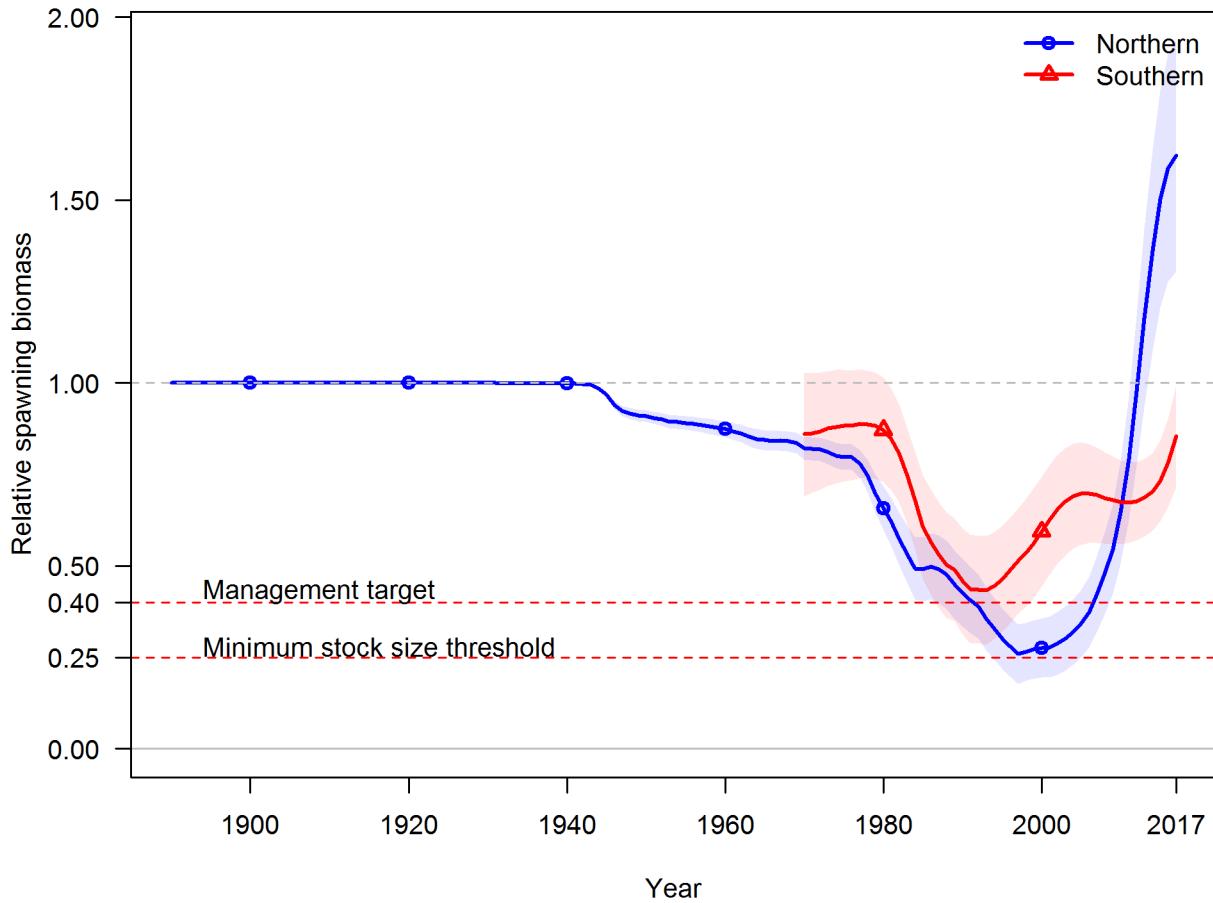


Figure e: Estimated relative depletion with approximate 95% asymptotic confidence intervals (dashed lines) for the base case assessment model. [fig:RelDeplete\\_all](#)

<sup>145</sup> **Recruitment**

recruitment

<sup>146</sup> Include: trends and current levels relative to virgin or historic levels-include table for last 10 years and graph with long term estimates.

<sup>148</sup> Recruitment Figure: (Figure f)

<sup>149</sup> Recruitment Tables: (Tables e, f and ??)

Table e: Recent recruitment for the Northern model.

| Year | Estimated<br>Recruitment (millions) | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval | tab:Recruit_mod1 |
|------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| 2008 | 10.27                               | (5.42 - 19.44)               |                  |
| 2009 | 7.45                                | (3.56 - 15.6)                |                  |
| 2010 | 10.46                               | (5.46 - 20.01)               |                  |
| 2011 | 6.29                                | (2.97 - 13.31)               |                  |
| 2012 | 9.25                                | (3.96 - 21.6)                |                  |
| 2013 | 14.38                               | (5.33 - 38.74)               |                  |
| 2014 | 21.77                               | (7.05 - 67.17)               |                  |
| 2015 | 26.68                               | (7.68 - 92.71)               |                  |
| 2016 | 26.78                               | (7.71 - 93.11)               |                  |
| 2017 | 26.82                               | (7.72 - 93.24)               |                  |

Table f: Recent recruitment for the Southern model.

| Year | Estimated<br>Recruitment (millions) | ~ 95% confidence<br>interval | tab:Recruit_mod2 |
|------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| 2008 | 61.56                               | (27.65 - 137.03)             |                  |
| 2009 | 10.32                               | (2.37 - 44.95)               |                  |
| 2010 | 56.83                               | (21.85 - 147.83)             |                  |
| 2011 | 15.54                               | (2.79 - 86.52)               |                  |
| 2012 | 19.71                               | (4.55 - 85.36)               |                  |
| 2013 | 13.19                               | (3.22 - 54.03)               |                  |
| 2014 | 9.05                                | (2.4 - 34.2)                 |                  |
| 2015 | 8.17                                | (2.21 - 30.17)               |                  |
| 2016 | 8.51                                | (2.29 - 31.6)                |                  |
| 2017 | 8.65                                | (2.33 - 32.12)               |                  |

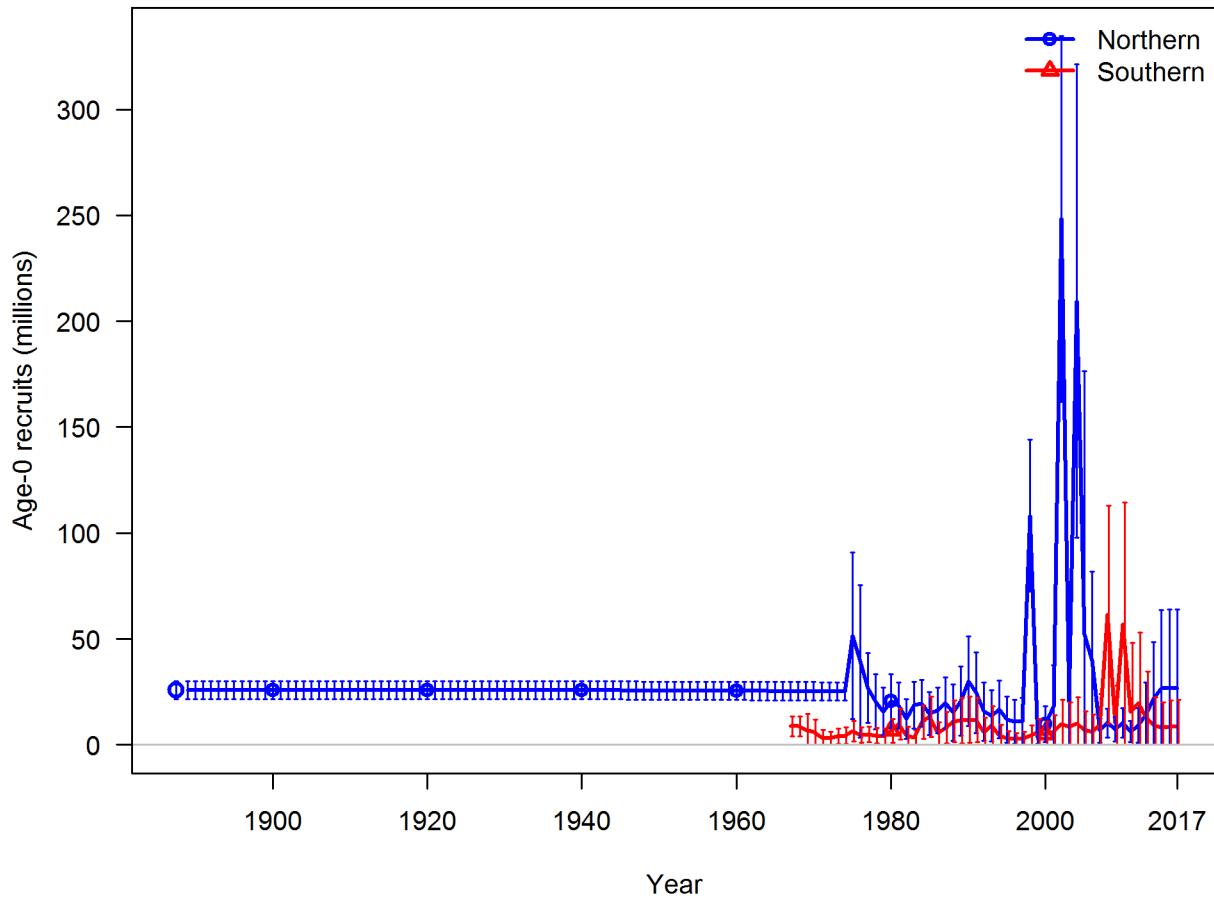


Figure f: Time series of estimated Yellowtail Rockfish recruitments for the base-case model with 95% confidence or credibility intervals. [fig:Recruits\\_all](#)

150 **Exploitation status**

exploitation-status

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

155 Exploitation Tables: Table [g](#), Table [h](#), Table ?? Exploitation Figure: Figure [g](#)).

156 A summary of Yellowtail Rockfish exploitation histories for base model is provided as Figure  
157 [h](#).

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

| Year | Fishing intensity | ~ 95% confidence interval | Exploitation rate | ~ 95% confidence interval |
|------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 2007 | 0.12              | (0.08-0.16)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |
| 2008 | 0.14              | (0.09-0.19)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |
| 2009 | 0.16              | (0.11-0.22)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |
| 2010 | 0.17              | (0.11-0.22)               | 0.00              | (0-0.01)                  |
| 2011 | 0.19              | (0.13-0.25)               | 0.01              | (0-0.01)                  |
| 2012 | 0.20              | (0.14-0.26)               | 0.01              | (0-0.01)                  |
| 2013 | 0.18              | (0.12-0.23)               | 0.01              | (0-0.01)                  |
| 2014 | 0.17              | (0.12-0.23)               | 0.01              | (0-0.01)                  |
| 2015 | 0.23              | (0.16-0.31)               | 0.01              | (0.01-0.01)               |
| 2016 | 0.18              | (0.12-0.24)               | 0.01              | (0-0.01)                  |

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

| Year | Fishing intensity | ~ 95% confidence interval | Exploitation rate | ~ 95% confidence interval | <b>tab:SPR_Exploit_mod2</b> |
|------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2007 | 0.08              | (0.03-0.13)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2008 | 0.03              | (0.01-0.04)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2009 | 0.06              | (0.02-0.09)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2010 | 0.03              | (0.01-0.04)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2011 | 0.04              | (0.02-0.07)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2012 | 0.04              | (0.02-0.07)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2013 | 0.04              | (0.02-0.07)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2014 | 0.04              | (0.02-0.07)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2015 | 0.06              | (0.02-0.1)                | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |
| 2016 | 0.02              | (0.01-0.03)               | 0.00              | (0-0)                     |                             |

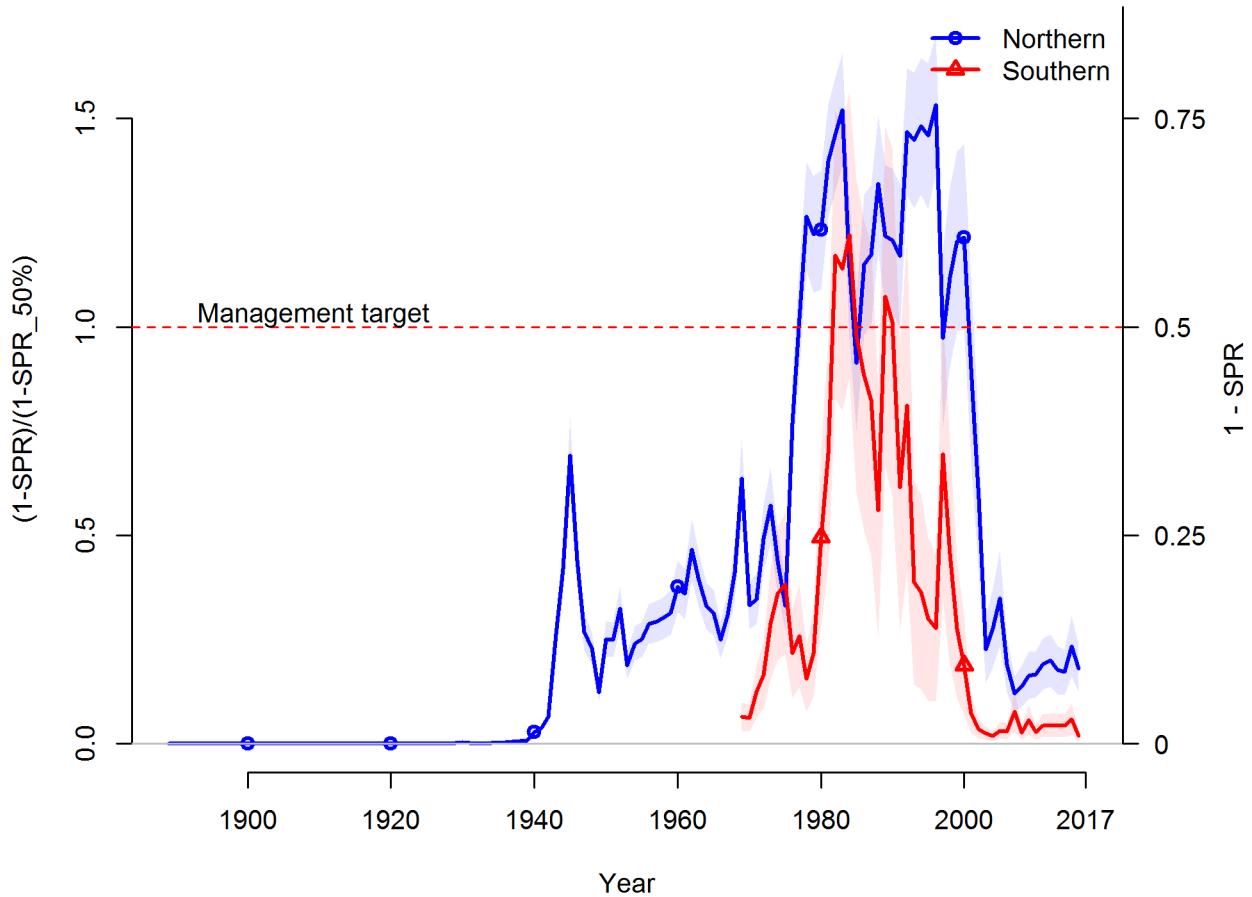


Figure g: Estimated spawning potential ratio (SPR) for the base-case model. One minus SPR is plotted so that higher exploitation rates occur on the upper portion of the y-axis. The management target is plotted as a red horizontal line and values above this reflect harvests in excess of the overfishing proxy based on the  $SPR_{50\%}$  harvest rate. The last year in the time series is 2016. | [fig:SPR\\_all](#)

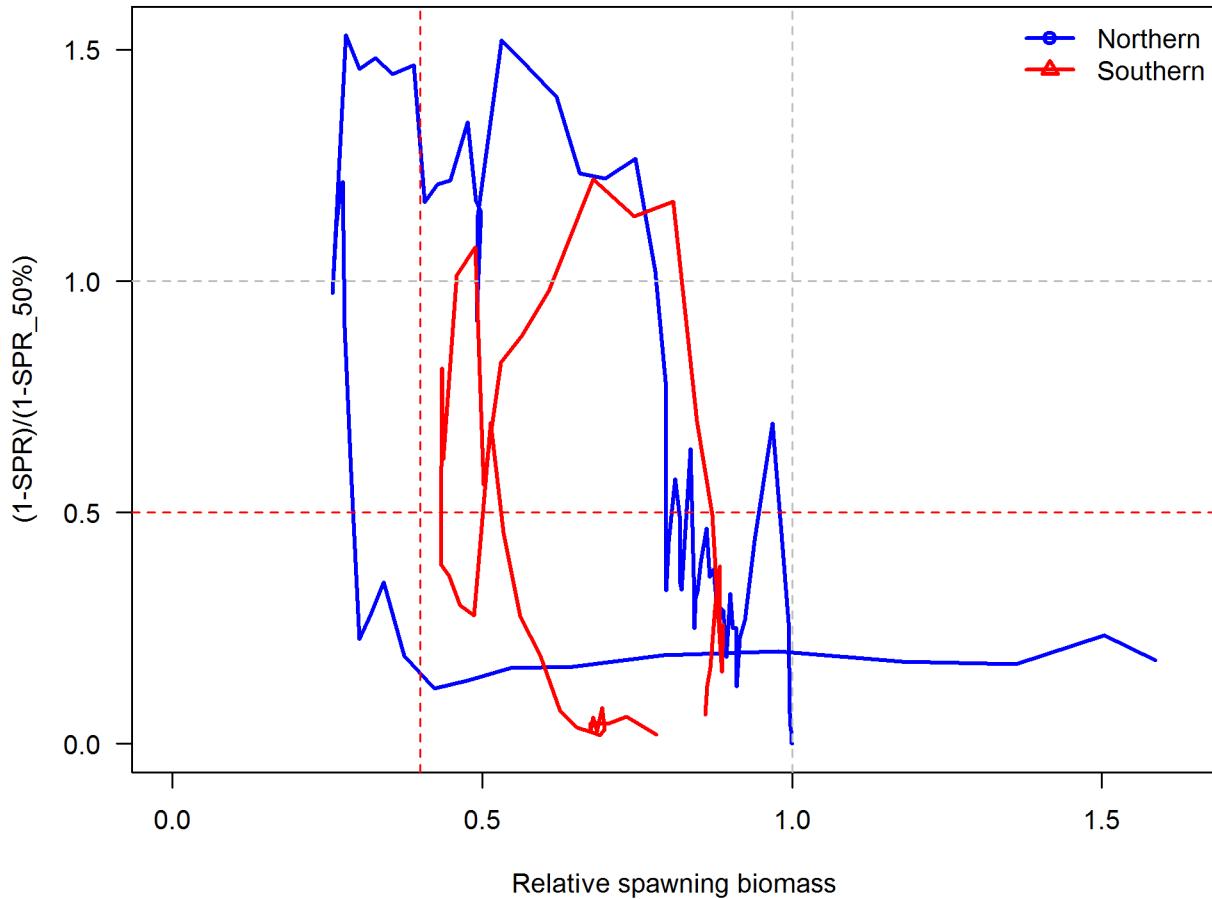


Figure h: Phase plot of estimated relative (1-SPR) vs. relative spawning biomass for the base case model. The relative (1-SPR) is (1-SPR) divided by 50% (the SPR target). Relative depletion is the annual spawning biomass divided by the unfished spawning biomass. | [fig:Phase\\_all](#)

158 **Ecosystem Considerations**

ecosystem-considerations

159 In this assessment, ecosystem considerations were. . . .

160 **Reference Points**

reference-points

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

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

167 This stock assessment estimates that Yellowtail Rockfish in the Northern model are above  
168 the biomass target, but above the minimum stock size threshold. Add sentence about  
169 spawning output trend. The estimated relative depletion level for Model 1 in 2016 is 162%  
170 (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm 130\%-194\%$ , corresponding to an unfished spawning output of  
171 95739800 billion eggs (~95% asymptotic interval: 62525662.33-128953937.67 billion eggs) of  
172 spawning output in the base model (Table i). Unfished age 1+ biomass was estimated to be  
173 154796 mt in the base case model. The target spawning output based on the biomass target  
174 ( $SB_{40\%}$ ) is 23622100 billion eggs, which gives a catch of 4211.1 mt. Equilibrium yield at the  
175 proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is 4000.9 mt.

176 This stock assessment estimates that Yellowtail Rockfish in the Southern model are above the  
177 biomass target, but above the minimum stock size threshold. Add sentence about spawning  
178 output trend. The estimated relative depletion level for Model 2 in 2016 is 85.6% (~95%  
179 asymptotic interval:  $\pm 71.6\%-99.5\%$ ), corresponding to an unfished spawning output of  
180 9313170 billion eggs (~95% asymptotic interval: ) of spawning output in the base model  
181 (Table j). Unfished age 1+ biomass was estimated to be 45285.2 mt in the base case model.  
182 The target spawning output based on the biomass target ( $SB_{40\%}$ ) is 4354300 billion eggs,  
183 which gives a catch of mt. Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding  
184 to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is 1009 mt.

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186 the biomass target, but  
187 the minimum stock size threshold. Add sentence about spawning output trend. The estimated  
188 relative depletion level or Model 3 in 2016 is (~95% asymptotic interval:  $\pm$  ), corresponding  
189 to an unfished spawning output of (~95% asymptotic interval: ) of spawning output in the  
190 base model (Table ??). Unfished age 1+ biomass was estimated to be mt in the base case  
191 model. The target spawning output based on the biomass target ( $SB_{40\%}$ ) is , which gives a  
192 catch of mt. Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is  
193 mt.

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

| Quantity                                              | Estimate | <small>tab:Ref_pts_mod1</small><br>95% Confidence Interval |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Unfished spawning output (billion eggs)               | 59055300 | (47714340.8-70396259.2)                                    |
| Unfished age 1+ biomass (mt)                          | 154796   | (128640.1-180951.9)                                        |
| Unfished recruitment (R0, thousands)                  | 25812.6  | (21513.7-30111.5)                                          |
| Spawning output(2016 billion eggs)                    | 93687800 | (61274307.6-126101292.4)                                   |
| Depletion (2016)                                      | 1.6      | (1.3-1.9)                                                  |
| <b>Reference points based on SB<sub>40%</sub></b>     |          |                                                            |
| Proxy spawning output ( $B_{40\%}$ )                  | 23622100 | (19085724.2-28158475.8)                                    |
| SPR resulting in $B_{40\%}$ ( $SPR_{B40\%}$ )         | 0.4589   | (0.4589-0.4589)                                            |
| Exploitation rate resulting in $B_{40\%}$             | 0.0512   | (0.0503-0.0521)                                            |
| Yield with $SPR_{B40\%}$ at $B_{40\%}$ (mt)           | 4211.1   | (3511.1-4911)                                              |
| <b>Reference points based on SPR proxy for MSY</b>    |          |                                                            |
| Spawning output                                       | 26312700 | (21259618.9-31365781.1)                                    |
| $SPR_{proxy}$                                         | 0.5      |                                                            |
| Exploitation rate corresponding to $SPR_{proxy}$      | 0.0453   | (0.0445-0.0461)                                            |
| Yield with $SPR_{proxy}$ at $SB_{SPR}$ (mt)           | 4000.9   | (3334.1-4667.7)                                            |
| <b>Reference points based on estimated MSY values</b> |          |                                                            |
| Spawning output at $MSY$ ( $SB_{MSY}$ )               | 15163500 | (12157013.2-18169986.8)                                    |
| $SPR_{MSY}$                                           | 0.3297   | (0.3267-0.3328)                                            |
| Exploitation rate at $MSY$                            | 0.0745   | (0.0734-0.0757)                                            |
| $MSY$ (mt)                                            | 4558.5   | (3807-5309.9)                                              |

Table j: Summary of reference points and management quantities for the base case Southern model.

| Quantity                                              | Estimate | <small>tab:Ref_pts_mod2</small><br>95% Confidence Interval |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Unfished spawning output (billion eggs)               | 10885700 | (4996557-16774843)                                         |
| Unfished age 1+ biomass (mt)                          | 45285.2  | (21285.6-69284.8)                                          |
| Unfished recruitment (R0, thousands)                  | 8797.9   | (4170.7-13425)                                             |
| Spawning output(2016 billion eggs)                    | 8506760  | (3025426.7-13988093.3)                                     |
| Depletion (2016)                                      | 0.7815   | (0.6615-0.9014)                                            |
| <b>Reference points based on SB<sub>40%</sub></b>     |          |                                                            |
| Proxy spawning output ( $B_{40\%}$ )                  | 4354300  | (1998638.9-6709961.1)                                      |
| SPR resulting in $B_{40\%}$ ( $SPR_{B40\%}$ )         | 0.4589   | (0.4589-0.4589)                                            |
| Exploitation rate resulting in $B_{40\%}$             | 0.0449   | (0.0436-0.0463)                                            |
| Yield with $SPR_{B40\%}$ at $B_{40\%}$ (mt)           | 1065     | (500.3-1629.7)                                             |
| <b>Reference points based on SPR proxy for MSY</b>    |          |                                                            |
| Spawning output                                       | 4850250  | (2226289.4-7474210.6)                                      |
| $SPR_{proxy}$                                         | 0.5      |                                                            |
| Exploitation rate corresponding to $SPR_{proxy}$      | 0.0396   | (0.0384-0.0408)                                            |
| Yield with $SPR_{proxy}$ at $SB_{SPR}$ (mt)           | 1009     | (473.9-1544.2)                                             |
| <b>Reference points based on estimated MSY values</b> |          |                                                            |
| Spawning output at MSY ( $SB_{MSY}$ )                 | 2707440  | (1237570.9-4177309.1)                                      |
| $SPR_{MSY}$                                           | 0.3225   | (0.3199-0.3251)                                            |
| Exploitation rate at MSY                              | 0.0677   | (0.0659-0.0694)                                            |
| $MSY$ (mt)                                            | 1165.1   | (548-1782.2)                                               |

<sup>194</sup> **Management Performance**

management-performance

<sup>195</sup> **Include:** catches in comparison to OFL, ABC and OY/ACL values for the most recent 10 years (when available), overfishing levels, actual catch and discard. Include OFL(encountered), OFL(retained) and OFL(dead) if different due to discard and discard mortality.

<sup>198</sup> Management performance table: Table [k](#)

Table k: 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.

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

<sup>199</sup> **Unresolved Problems And Major Uncertainties**

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<sup>200</sup> TBD after STAR panel

<sup>201</sup> **Decision Table(s) (groundfish only)**

decision-tables-groundfish-only

<sup>202</sup> **Include:** projected yields (OFL, ABC and ACL), spawning biomass, and stock depletion levels for each year. Not required in draft assessments undergoing review.

<sup>204</sup> OFL projection table: Table [l](#)

<sup>205</sup> Decision table(s) Table [m](#), Table [n](#), Table ??

<sup>206</sup> Yield curve: Figure \ref{fig:Yield\_all}

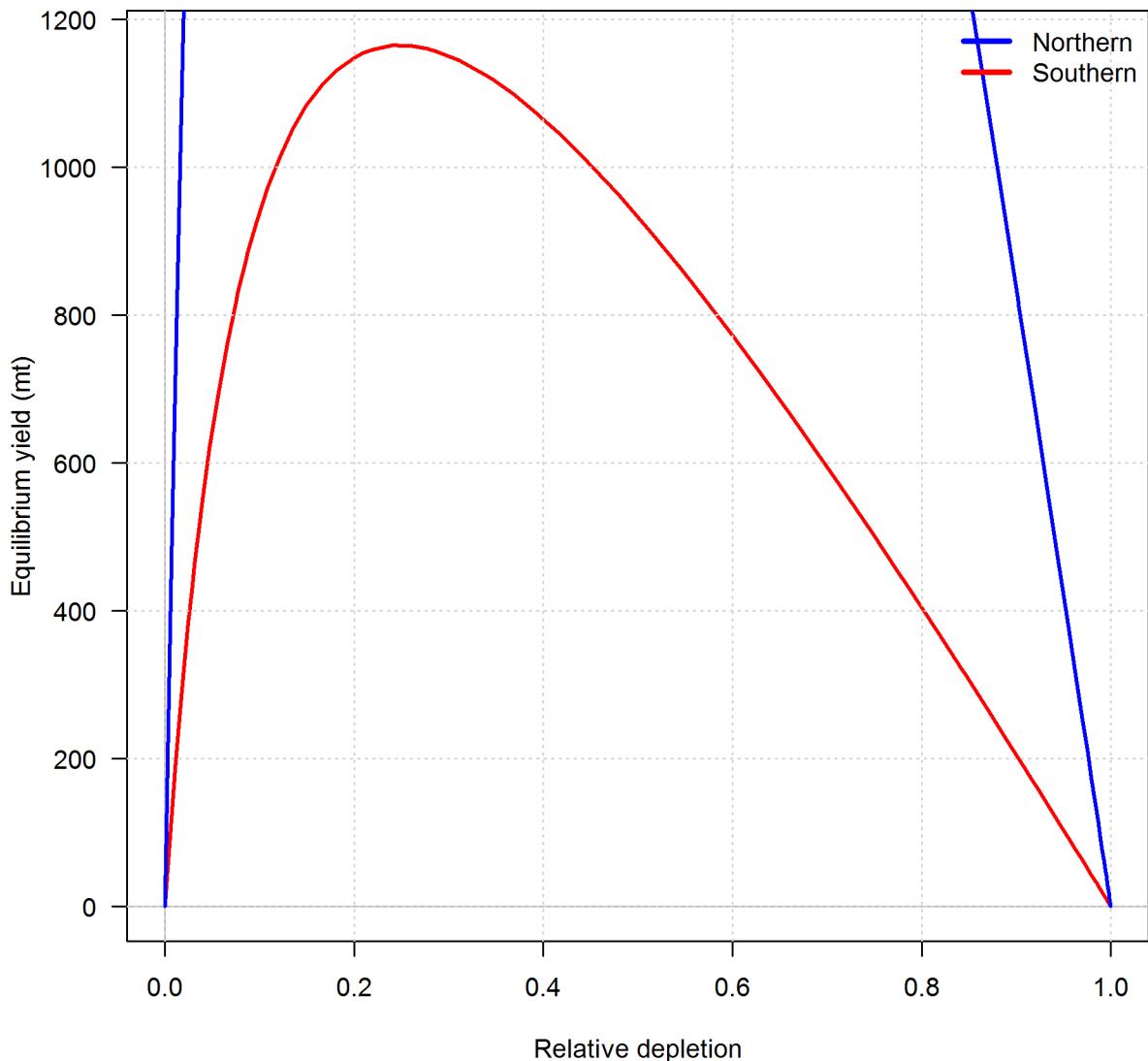


Figure i: Equilibrium yield curve for the base case model. Values are based on the 2016 fishery selectivity and with steepness fixed at... [Fig:Yield\\_all](#)

Table 1: Projections of potential OFL (mt) for each model, using the base model forecast.  
tab:OFL\_projection

| Year | Model 1  | Model 2 | Total    |
|------|----------|---------|----------|
| 2017 | 11696.40 | 2696.90 | 14393.30 |
| 2018 | 10596.60 | 2651.58 | 13248.18 |
| 2019 | 9528.95  | 2578.95 | 12107.90 |
| 2020 | 8559.73  | 2489.08 | 11048.81 |
| 2021 | 7727.11  | 2388.74 | 10115.85 |
| 2022 | 7043.72  | 2283.32 | 9327.04  |
| 2023 | 6503.01  | 2177.15 | 8680.16  |
| 2024 | 6086.95  | 2073.53 | 8160.48  |
| 2025 | 5772.74  | 1974.78 | 7747.52  |
| 2026 | 5537.46  | 1882.41 | 7419.87  |
| 2027 | 5360.66  | 1797.28 | 7157.94  |
| 2028 | 5225.21  | 1719.72 | 6944.93  |

Table m: Summary of 10-year projections beginning in 2018 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

|                       | Year | Catch | Low M 0.05         |           | Base M 0.07        |           | High M 0.09        |           |
|-----------------------|------|-------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
|                       |      |       | Spawning<br>Output | Depletion | Spawning<br>Output | Depletion | Spawning<br>Output | Depletion |
| 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 | -     | -                  | -         | -                  | -         | -                  | -         |

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|                       |      | 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 o: Yellowtail Rockfish base case results summary.

| Model Region |                     | Quantity              | 2008             | 2009           | 2010                           | 2011           | 2012           | 2013           | 2014           | 2015           | 2016           | 2017           |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|              | Landings (mt)       | Total Est. Catch (mt) | OFL (mt)         | ACL (mt)       | (1-SPR)(1-SPR <sub>95%</sub> ) | 0.14           | 0.16           | 0.17           | 0.19           | 0.20           | 0.18           | 0.23           |
| Base Case    | Exploitation rate   | 0.00                  | 0.00             | 0.00           | 0.00                           | 0.00           | 0.00           | 0.01           | 0.01           | 0.01           | 0.01           | 0.01           |
|              | Age 1+ biomass (mt) | 156074                | 184191           | 209534         | 228011                         | 240459         | 246422         | 247063         | 243256         | 236172         | 226590         | 226590         |
|              | Spawning Output     | 28237700              | 32292200         | 38164600       | 46822000                       | 57714100       | 69517400       | 80401300       | 88775000       | 93687800       | 95739800       | 95739800       |
| 95% CI       | (17323385.76-       | (20121641.34-         | (24200307.4-     | (30038338.41-  | (37282651.44-                  | (45139759.95-  | (52467893.39-  | (58110383.38-  | (61274307.62-  | (62525662.33-  | (62525662.33-  | (62525662.33-  |
|              | 39152014.24)        | 44342758.66)          | 52128892.6)      | 63605661.59)   | 78145548.56)                   | 93895040.05)   | 108334706.71)  | 119433616.52)  | 126101292.38)  | 128953987.67)  | 128953987.67)  | 128953987.67)  |
| Model 1      | Depletion           | 0.5                   | 0.5              | 0.6            | 0.8                            | 1.0            | 1.2            | 1.4            | 1.5            | 1.6            | 1.6            | 1.6            |
| 95% CI       | (0.307-0.59)        | (0.424-0.667)         | (0.507-0.785)    | (0.626-0.96)   | (0.773-1.182)                  | (0.934-1.421)  | (1.087-1.636)  | (1.208-1.799)  | (1.277-1.896)  | (1.305-1.937)  | (1.305-1.937)  | (1.305-1.937)  |
|              | Recruits            | 10.27                 | 7.45             | 10.46          | 6.29                           | 9.25           | 14.38          | 21.77          | 26.08          | 26.78          | 26.82          | 26.82          |
| 95% CI       | (5.42 - 19.44)      | (3.56 - 15.6)         | (5.46 - 20.01)   | (2.97 - 13.31) | (3.96 - 21.6)                  | (5.33 - 38.74) | (7.05 - 67.17) | (7.68 - 92.71) | (7.71 - 93.11) | (7.72 - 93.24) | (7.72 - 93.24) | (7.72 - 93.24) |
| Model 2      | Depletion           | 0.03                  | 0.06             | 0.03           | 0.04                           | 0.04           | 0.04           | 0.04           | 0.04           | 0.06           | 0.02           | 0.02           |
| Base Case    | Exploitation rate   | 0                     | 0                | 0              | 0                              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              |
|              | Age 1+ biomass (mt) | 30630.3               | 30995.9          | 31303.6        | 31987.0                        | 40129.0        | 43125.3        | 52416.3        | 57334.3        | 6231.6         | 65939.3        | 65939.3        |
|              | Spawning Output     | 7464080               | 7394450          | 7341800        | 7335450                        | 7366260        | 7469170        | 7645940        | 7974640        | 8506760        | 9313170        | 9313170        |
| 95% CI       | (2470993.35-        | (2481761.07-          | (2491947.52-     | (2518465.28-   | (2554587.62-                   | (2612928.04-   | (2695188.57-   | (2828519.36-   | (3025426.72-   | (3309545.52-   | (3309545.52-   | (3309545.52-   |
|              | 12457166.65)        | 12307138.93)          | 12191652.48)     | 12148434.72)   | 12177932.38)                   | 1232511.96)    | 12396691.43)   | 13120760.64)   | 13988093.28)   | 15316794.48)   | 15316794.48)   | 15316794.48)   |
| Model 1      | Depletion           | 0.69                  | 0.68             | 0.67           | 0.67                           | 0.68           | 0.69           | 0.70           | 0.73           | 0.78           | 0.86           | 0.86           |
| 95% CI       | (0.561-0.811)       | (0.56-0.799)          | (0.56-0.789)     | (0.563-0.784)  | (0.57-0.784)                   | (0.58-0.792)   | (0.596-0.808)  | (0.623-0.843)  | (0.662-0.901)  | (0.716-0.995)  | (0.716-0.995)  | (0.716-0.995)  |
|              | Recruits            | 61.56                 | 10.32            | 56.83          | 15.54                          | 19.71          | 13.19          | 9.05           | 8.17           | 8.51           | 8.65           | 8.65           |
| 95% CI       | (27.65 - 137.03)    | (2.37 - 44.95)        | (21.85 - 147.83) | (2.79 - 86.52) | (4.55 - 85.36)                 | (3.22 - 54.03) | (2.4 - 34.2)   | (2.21 - 30.17) | (2.29 - 31.6)  | (2.33 - 32.12) | (2.33 - 32.12) | (2.33 - 32.12) |

207 **Research And Data Needs**

research-and-data-needs

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

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

210 1. List item No. 1 in the list

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

212 **Rebuilding Projections**

rebuilding-projections

213 **Include:** reference to the principal results from rebuilding analysis if the stock is overfished.

214 This section should be included in the Final/SAFE version assessment document but is not

215 required for draft assessments undergoing review. See Rebuilding Analysis terms of reference

216 for detailed information on rebuilding analysis requirements.

217 **1 Introduction**

introduction

218 **1.1 Basic Information**

basic-information

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

222 **1.2 Map**

map

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

225 **1.3 Life History**

life-history

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

228 **1.4 Ecosystem Considerations**

ecosystem-considerations-1

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

236 **1.5 Fishery Information**

fishery-information

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

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

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

243 **1.6 Summary of Management History**

summary-of-management-history

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

246 **1.7 Management Performance**

management-performance-1

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

250 Management performance table: (Table k)

251 A summary of these values as well as other base case summary results can be found in Table  
252 O.

253 **1.8 Fisheries off Canada, Alaska, and/or Mexico**

fisheries-off-canada-alaska-andor-mexico

254 Include if necessary.

255 **2 Assessment**

assessment

256 **2.1 Data**

data

257 Data used in the Yellowtail Rockfish assessment are summarized in Figure 3.

258 A description of each data source is below.

259 **2.1.1 Commercial Fishery Landings**

commercial-fishery-landings

260 **Washington catch information**

261 WDFW provided historical yellowtail catch for 1889 – 1980 period. WDFW also provided  
262 catches for 1981 – 2016 period to include the re-distribution of the “URCK” landings in  
263 PacFIN database. This information is currently not available from PacFIN.

264 **Sub-heading 2**

265 **Sub-heading 3**

<sup>266</sup> **2.1.2 Sport Fishery Removals**

sport-fishery-removals

<sup>267</sup> **Sub-heading 1**

<sup>268</sup> **Sub-heading 2**

<sup>269</sup> **Sub-heading 3**

<sup>270</sup> **2.1.3 Estimated Discards**

estimated-discards

<sup>271</sup> **Sub-heading 1**

<sup>272</sup> **Sub-heading 2**

<sup>273</sup> **Sub-heading 3**

<sup>274</sup> **2.1.4 Abundance Indices**

abundance-indices

<sup>275</sup> **Sub-heading 1**

<sup>276</sup> **Sub-heading 2**

<sup>277</sup> **2.1.5 Fishery-Independent Data: possible sources**

fishery-independent-data-possible-sources

<sup>278</sup> *Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC) slope survey*

<sup>279</sup> The NWFSC slope survey was conducted annually from 1999 to 2002.

<sup>280</sup> The depth range of this survey is 100-700 fm.

<sup>281</sup> *Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC) shelf-slope survey*

<sup>282</sup> This survey is referred to as the “combo,” conducted annually since 2003.

<sup>283</sup> The survey consistently covered depths between 30 and 700 fm.

<sup>284</sup> *Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC) shelf survey*

<sup>285</sup> The survey, often referred to as the “triennial” survey was conducted every third year between

<sup>286</sup> 1977 and (and conducted in 2004 by the NWFSC using the same protocols). The triennial

<sup>287</sup> survey trawls in depths of 30 to 275 fm.

<sup>288</sup> *Pikitch Study*

<sup>289</sup> The Pikitch study was conducted between 1985 and 1987 (Pikitch et al. 1988). The northern

290 and southern boundaries of the study were 48°42' N latitude and 42°60' N. latitude respectively,  
291 which is primarily within the Columbia INPFC area (Pikitch et al. 1988 , Rogers and Pikitch  
292 1992). Participation in the study was voluntary and included vessels using bottom, midwater,  
293 and shrimp trawl gears.

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

297 *Enhanced Data Collection Project (EDCP)*

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

300 EDCP had limited spatial coverage in Oregon waters only.

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

302 Blurb on species presence in PISCO surveys

303 **2.1.6 Biological Parameters and Data**

biological-parameters-and-data

304 **Length And Age Compositions**

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

307 Length compositions were provided from the following sources, by region, with brief descrip-  
308 tions below:

309 *Model 1*

- 310 • Source No. 1 (*ex. research, commerical dead fish, live fish, etc,*  
311 date range (*ex. 2010-2011*)
- 312 • Source No. 2 (*ex. research, commerical dead fish, live fish, etc,*  
313 date range (*ex. 2010-2011*)
- 314 • etc...
- 315 • Begin sublist if desired
  - 316 – Sublist source No. 1
  - 317 – Sublist source No. 2
  - 318 – etc...
- 319 • Back to main list, next Source
- 320 • Last Source

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

322 Possible sources of age and length data:

323 *Recreational: Washington (WDFW)*

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

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

333 *Recreational: Miller and Gotshall (1965)*

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

337 *Commercial: PacFIN (Oregon and California)*

338 *Research: NMFS Groundfish Ecology Survey*

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

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

346 *Research: NWFSC shelf-slope survey*

347 *Research: NWFSC slope survey*

348 *Research: Abrams Thesis*

## 349 **Age Structures**

350 Age structure data were available from the following sources:

351 *Model Region 1*

- 352 • Source No. 1 (ex. research, commercial dead fish, live fish, etc,  
353 date range (ex. 2010-2011))

- 354     ● Source No. 2 (*ex. research, commericla dead fish, live fish, etc,*  
 355       date range (ex. 2010-2011)
- 356     ● etc...
- 357     ● Begin sublist if desired
  - 358       – Sublist source No. 1
  - 359       – Sublist source No. 2
  - 360       – etc...
- 361     ● Back to main list, next Source
- 362     ● Last Source

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

364   Length-at-age was initially estimated external to the population dynamics models using the  
 365   von Bertalanffy growth curve (Bertalanffy 1938),  $L_i = L_\infty e^{(-k[t-t_0])}$ , where  $L_i$  is the length  
 366   (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  
 367   the asymptotic length.

## 368   **Aging Precision And Bias**

### 369   **Weight-Length**

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

372   To estimate this relationship, 12,778 samples with both weight and length measurements  
 373   from the fishery independent surveys were analyzed. These included 6,354 samples from  
 374   the NWFSC Combo survey, 5,085 from the Triennial survey, and 1,339 from the Hook and  
 375   Line survey. All Hook and Line survey samples were from the Southern area, along with  
 376   910 samples from the other two surveys (Figure 42). A single weight-length relationship was  
 377   chosen for females and males in both areas after examining various factors that may influence  
 378   this relationships, including sex, area, year, and season. None of these factors had a strong  
 379   influence in the overall results. Season was one of the bigger factors, with fish sampled later  
 380   in the year showing a small increase in weight at a given length (2-6% depending on the  
 381   other factors considered). However, season was confounded with area because most of the  
 382   samples from the Southern area were collected from the Hook and Line survey which takes  
 383   place later in the year (mid-September to mid-November) and the resolution of other data in  
 384   the model do not support modeling the stock at a scale finer than a annual time step. Males  
 385   and females did not show strong differences in either area, and the estimated differences were  
 386   in opposite directions for the two areas, suggesting that this might be a spurious relationship  
 387   or confounded with differences timing of the sampling relative to spawning.

388   The estimated coefficients resulting from this analysis were  $\alpha = 1.1843e - 05$  and  $\beta = 3.0672$ .

389 **Maturity And Fecundity** Maturity was estimated from histological analysis of 141 samples  
390 collected in 2016. These include 96 from the NWFSC Combo survey, 25 from mid-water  
391 catches in the NWFSC acoustic/trawl survey, 13 from the Hook and Line survey, and 7 from  
392 Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. The sample sizes were not adequate to estimate  
393 differences in maturity by area. Length at 50% maturity was estimated at 42.49cm (Figure  
394 ??) which was consistent with the range 37-45cm cited in the previous assessment (Wallace  
395 and Lai 2005).

396 **Natural Mortality**

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

398 **Sex ratios**

399 **2.1.7 Environmental Or Ecosystem Data Included In The Assessment**  
environmental-or-ecosystem-data-included-in-the-assessment

400 **2.2 History Of Modeling Approaches Used For This Stock**  
history-of-modeling-approaches-used-for-this-stock

401 **2.2.1 Previous Assessments**

previous-assessments

402 **2.2.2 Previous Assessment Recommendations**

previous-assessment-recommendations

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

404 **Recommendation 1: blah blah blah.**

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406 STAT response: blah blah blah....

407 **Recommendation 2: blah blah blah.**

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409 STAT response: blah blah blah....

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

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412 STAT response: Continue recommendations as needed

<sup>413</sup> **2.3 Model Description**

model-description

<sup>414</sup> **2.3.1 Transition To The Current Stock Assessment**

transition-to-the-current-stock-assessment

<sup>415</sup> Include: Complete description of any new modeling approaches

<sup>416</sup> Below, we describe the most important changes made since the last full assessment and  
<sup>417</sup> explain rationale for each change.:

<sup>418</sup> 1. Change No. 1. *Rationale*: blah blah blah.

<sup>419</sup> 2. Change No. 2. *Rationale*: blah blah blah.

<sup>420</sup> 3. Change No. 3. *Rationale*: Continue list as needed.

<sup>421</sup> **2.3.2 Definition of Fleets and Areas**

definition-of-fleets-and-areas

<sup>422</sup> We generated data sources for each of the models. Fleets by model include:

<sup>423</sup> **Model Region 1 or remove this line if only one model**

<sup>424</sup> *Commercial*: The commercial fleets include...

<sup>425</sup> *Recreational*: The recreational fleets include...

<sup>426</sup> *Research*: Research derived-data include...

<sup>427</sup> **2.3.3 Summary of Data for Fleets and Areas**

summary-of-data-for-fleets-and-areas

<sup>428</sup> **2.3.4 Modeling Software**

modeling-software

<sup>429</sup> The STAT team used Stock Synthesis 3 version 3.24u by Dr. Richard Methot at the NWFSC.

<sup>430</sup> This most recent version (SS-V3.24u) was used, since it included improvements and corrections  
<sup>431</sup> to older versions.

<sup>432</sup> **2.3.5 Data Weighting**

data-weighting

<sup>433</sup> Citation for Francis method (Francis 2011)

<sup>434</sup> Citation for Ianelli-McAllister harmonic mean method (McAllister and Ianelli 1997)

<sup>435</sup> **2.3.6 Priors**

priors

<sup>436</sup> Citation for Hamel prior on natural mortality (Hamel 2015)

<sup>437</sup> **2.3.7 General Model Specifications**

general-model-specifications

<sup>438</sup> Citation for posterior predictive fecundity relationship from Dick (2009)

<sup>439</sup> Model data, control, starter, and forecast files can be found in Appendices A-D.

<sup>440</sup> **2.3.8 Estimated And Fixed Parameters**

estimated-and-fixed-parameters

<sup>441</sup> A full list of all estimated and fixed parameters is provided in Tables.... Estimated and fixed

<sup>442</sup> parameters tables currently read in from .csv file, EXAMPLE: Table ??

<sup>443</sup> **2.4 Model Selection and Evaluation**

model-selection-and-evaluation

<sup>444</sup> **2.4.1 Key Assumptions and Structural Choices**

key-assumptions-and-structural-choices

<sup>445</sup> Include: Evidence of search for balance between model realism and parsimony.

<sup>446</sup> Comparison of key model assumptions, include comparisons based on nested models (e.g.,  
<sup>447</sup> asymptotic vs. domed selectivities, constant vs. time-varying selectivities).

<sup>448</sup> **2.4.2 Alternate Models Considered**

alternate-models-considered

<sup>449</sup> Include: Summary of alternate model configurations that were tried but rejected.

<sup>450</sup> **2.4.3 Convergence**

convergence

<sup>451</sup> Include: Randomization run results or other evidence of search for global best estimates.

<sup>452</sup> Convergence testing through use of dispersed starting values often requires extreme values to  
<sup>453</sup> actually explore new areas of the multivariate likelihood surface. Jitter is a SS option that  
<sup>454</sup> generates random starting values from a normal distribution logically transformed into  
<sup>455</sup> each parameter's range (Methot 2015). Table 3 shows the results of running 100 jitters for  
<sup>456</sup> each pre-STAR base model....

457 **2.5 Response To The Current STAR Panel Requests**  
response-to-the-current-star-panel-requests

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

467

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

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

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

471

- 472     • **Item No. 1**
- 473     • **Item No. 2**
- 474     • **Item No. 3, etc.**

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

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

477 **2.6 Model 1**

model-1

478 **2.6.1 Model 1 Base Case Results**

model-1-base-case-results

479 Table ??

480 **2.6.2 Model 1 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analyses**

model-1-uncertainty-and-sensitivity-analyses

481 Table 4

482 **2.6.3 Model 1 Retrospective Analysis**

model-1-retrospective-analysis

483 **2.6.4 Model 1 Likelihood Profiles**

model-1-likelihood-profiles

484 **2.6.5 Model 1 Harvest Control Rules (CPS only)**

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

485 **2.6.6 Model 1 Reference Points (groundfish only)**

model-1-reference-points-groundfish-only

486 Intro sentence or two....(Table 5).

487 Equilibrium yield at the proxy  $F_{MSY}$  harvest rate corresponding to  $SPR_{50\%}$  is 4000.9 mt.

488 Table i shows the full suite of estimated reference points for the northern area model and

489 Figure i shows the equilibrium yield curve.

490 **2.7 Model 2** model-2

491 **2.7.1 Model 2 Base Case Results** model-2-base-case-results

492 **2.7.2 Model 2 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analyses** model-2-uncertainty-and-sensitivity-analyses

493 **2.7.3 Model 2 Retrospective Analysis** model-2-retrospective-analysis

494 **2.7.4 Model 2 Likelihood Profiles** model-2-likelihood-profiles

495 **2.7.5 Model 2 Harvest Control Rules (CPS only)** model-2-harvest-control-rules-cps-only

496 **2.7.6 Model 2 Reference Points (groundfish only)** model-2-reference-points-groundfish-only

497 **2.8 Model 3** model-3

498 **2.8.1 Model 3 Base Case Results** model-3-base-case-results

499 **2.8.2 Model 3 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analyses** model-3-uncertainty-and-sensitivity-analyses

500 **2.8.3 Model 3 Retrospective Analysis** model-3-retrospective-analysis

501 **2.8.4 Model 3 Likelihood profiles** model-3-likelihood-profiles

502 **2.8.5 Model 3 Harvest Control Rules (CPS only)** model-3-harvest-control-rules-cps-only

503 **2.8.6 Model 3 Reference Points (groundfish only)** model-3-reference-points-groundfish-only

504 **3 Harvest Projections and Decision Tables** harvest-projections-and-decision-tables

505 Table [k](#)

506 Model 1 Projections and Decision Table (groundfish only) (Table [6](#))

507 Table [m](#)

508 Model 2 Projections and Decision Table (groundfish only)

509 Model 3 Projections and Decision Table (groundfish only)

## 510 4 Regional Management Considerations

regional-management-considerations

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

## 519 5 Research Needs

research-needs

- 520 1. Research need No. 1
- 521 2. Research need No. 2
- 522 3. Research need No. 3
- 523 4. etc.

## 524 6 Acknowledgments

acknowledgments

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

528 **7 Tables**

**tables**

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   | NatM_p_1_Fem_GP_1  | 0.120  | -2    | (0.02, 0.25)   | LO             | 0.000 | None                |
| 2   | Lat_Amin_Fem_GP_1  | 1.000  | 3     | (1, 25)        | OK             | 0.592 | None                |
| 3   | Lat_Amax_Fem_GP_1  | 54.334 | 2     | (35, 70)       | OK             | 0.004 | None                |
| 4   | VonBert_K_Fem_GP_1 | 0.143  | 3     | (0.1, 0.4)     | OK             | 0.000 | None                |
| 5   | CV_young_Fem_GP_1  | 0.030  | 5     | (0.03, 0.16)   | LO             | 0.000 | None                |
| 6   | CV_old_Fem_GP_1    | 0.070  | 5     | (0.03, 0.16)   | OK             | 0.005 | None                |
| 7   | Wtlen_1_Fem        | 0.000  | -50   | (0, 3)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 8   | Wtlen_2_Fem        | 3.067  | -50   | (2, 4)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 9   | Mat50%_Fem         | 42.490 | -50   | (30, 56)       | None           | None  | None                |
| 10  | Mat_slope_Fem      | -0.401 | -50   | (-2, 1)        | None           | None  | None                |
| 11  | Eggs_scalar_Fem    | 0.000  | -50   | (0, 6)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 12  | Eggs_exp_len_Fem   | 4.590  | -50   | (2, 7)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 13  | NatM_p_1_Mal_GP_1  | 0.000  | -2    | (-3, 3)        | Normal (0, 99) | None  | None                |
| 14  | Lat_Amin_Mal_GP_1  | 0.000  | -2    | (-1, 1)        | None           | None  | None                |
| 15  | Lat_Amax_Mal_GP_1  | -0.150 | 2     | (-1, 1)        | OK             | 0.013 | None                |
| 16  | VonBert_K_Mal_GP_1 | 0.294  | 3     | (-1, 1)        | OK             | 0.032 | None                |
| 17  | CV_young_Mal_GP_1  | 0.000  | -5    | (-1, 1)        | None           | None  | None                |
| 18  | CV_old_Mal_GP_1    | -0.205 | 5     | (-1, 1)        | OK             | 0.100 | None                |
| 19  | Wtlen_1_Mal        | 0.000  | -50   | (0, 3)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 20  | Wtlen_2_Mal        | 3.067  | -50   | (2, 4)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 24  | CohortGrowDev      | 1.000  | -50   | (0, 2)         | None           | None  | None                |
| 25  | FracFemale_GP_1    | 0.500  | -99   | (0.001, 0.999) | None           | None  | None                |
| 26  | SR_LN(R0)          | 10.159 | 1     | (5, 20)        | OK             | 0.085 | None                |
| 27  | SR_BH_stEEP        | 0.718  | -6    | (0.2, 1)       | None           | None  | None                |
| 28  | SR_sigmar          | 0.700  | -6    | (0.5, 1.2)     | None           | None  | None                |
| 29  | SR_regime          | 0.000  | -50   | (-5, 5)        | None           | None  | None                |

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| No. | Parameter                     | Value    | Phase | Bounds     | Status | SD       | Prior (Exp.Val, SD) |
|-----|-------------------------------|----------|-------|------------|--------|----------|---------------------|
| 30  | SR.autocorr                   | 0.000    | -50   | (0, 2)     |        |          | None                |
| 140 | LnQ_base_CommercialTrawl(1)   | -4.893   | -1    | (-30, 15)  |        |          | None                |
| 141 | LnQ_base_HakeByCatch(2)       | -10.257  | -1    | (-30, 15)  |        |          | None                |
| 142 | LnQ_base_Triennial(5)         | -2.134   | -1    | (-30, 15)  |        |          | None                |
| 143 | LnQ_base_NWFSCcombo(6)        | -1.037   | -1    | (-30, 15)  |        |          | None                |
| 144 | SizeSel_P1_CommercialTrawl(1) | 55.000   | 1     | (20, 55)   | HI     | 0.000    | None                |
| 145 | SizeSel_P2_CommercialTrawl(1) | 6.965    | 4     | (-20, 7)   | HI     | 174.581  | None                |
| 146 | SizeSel_P3_CommercialTrawl(1) | 6.200    | 3     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.075    | None                |
| 147 | SizeSel_P4_CommercialTrawl(1) | -2.008   | 4     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.656    | None                |
| 148 | SizeSel_P5_CommercialTrawl(1) | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) |        |          | None                |
| 149 | SizeSel_P6_CommercialTrawl(1) | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) |        |          | None                |
| 150 | Retain_P1_CommercialTrawl(1)  | 29.071   | 3     | (20, 55)   | OK     | 0.127    | None                |
| 151 | Retain_P2_CommercialTrawl(1)  | 0.100    | 3     | (0.1, 40)  | LO     | 0.000    | None                |
| 152 | Retain_P3_CommercialTrawl(1)  | 3.945    | 3     | (-10, 20)  | OK     | 0.123    | None                |
| 153 | Retain_P4_CommercialTrawl(1)  | 0.000    | -4    | (-3, 3)    |        |          | None                |
| 154 | SizeSel_P1_HakeByCatch(2)     | 51.412   | 1     | (20, 55)   | OK     | 1.623    | None                |
| 155 | SizeSel_P2_HakeByCatch(2)     | -10.869  | 4     | (-20, 7)   | OK     | 4702.230 | None                |
| 156 | SizeSel_P3_HakeByCatch(2)     | 4.036    | 3     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.272    | None                |
| 157 | SizeSel_P4_HakeByCatch(2)     | 1.795    | 4     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 1.270    | None                |
| 158 | SizeSel_P5_HakeByCatch(2)     | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) |        |          | None                |
| 159 | SizeSel_P6_HakeByCatch(2)     | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) |        |          | None                |
| 160 | SizeSel_P1_RecORandCA(3)      | 30.916   | 1     | (20, 55)   | OK     | 2.029    | None                |
| 161 | SizeSel_P2_RecORandCA(3)      | -19.799  | 4     | (-20, 7)   | LO     | 1448.070 | None                |
| 162 | SizeSel_P3_RecORandCA(3)      | 3.145    | 3     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.669    | None                |
| 163 | SizeSel_P4_RecORandCA(3)      | 5.775    | 4     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.593    | None                |
| 164 | SizeSel_P5_RecORandCA(3)      | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) |        |          | None                |
| 165 | SizeSel_P6_RecORandCA(3)      | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) |        |          | 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) |
|-----|-------------------------------------------|----------|-------|------------|--------|-----------|---------------------|
| 166 | SizeSel_P1_RecWA(4)                       | 55.000   | 1     | (20, 55)   | HI     | 0.001     | None                |
| 167 | SizeSel_P2_RecWA(4)                       | 2.184    | 4     | (-20, 7)   | OK     | 35683.900 | None                |
| 168 | SizeSel_P3_RecWA(4)                       | 5.477    | 3     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.153     | None                |
| 169 | SizeSel_P4_RecWA(4)                       | 18.917   | 4     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 4511.330  | None                |
| 170 | SizeSel_P5_RecWA(4)                       | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) | None   |           |                     |
| 171 | SizeSel_P6_RecWA(4)                       | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) | None   |           |                     |
| 172 | SizeSel_P1_Triennial(5)                   | 21.418   | 1     | (20, 55)   | OK     | 0.189     | None                |
| 173 | SizeSel_P2_Triennial(5)                   | 1.884    | 4     | (-20, 7)   | OK     | 1.197     | None                |
| 174 | SizeSel_P3_Triennial(5)                   | -5.000   | 3     | (-5, 20)   | LO     | 0.005     | None                |
| 175 | SizeSel_P4_Triennial(5)                   | 1.581    | 4     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 4.058     | None                |
| 176 | SizeSel_P5_Triennial(5)                   | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) | None   |           |                     |
| 177 | SizeSel_P6_Triennial(5)                   | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) | None   |           |                     |
| 178 | SizeSel_P1_NWFS_Ccombo(6)                 | 55.000   | 1     | (20, 55)   | HI     | 0.011     | None                |
| 179 | SizeSel_P2_NWFS_Ccombo(6)                 | 2.193    | 4     | (-20, 7)   | OK     | 28730.500 | None                |
| 180 | SizeSel_P3_NWFS_Ccombo(6)                 | 5.213    | 3     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 0.284     | None                |
| 181 | SizeSel_P4_NWFS_Ccombo(6)                 | 18.469   | 4     | (-5, 20)   | OK     | 11275.500 | None                |
| 182 | SizeSel_P5_NWFS_Ccombo(6)                 | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) | None   |           |                     |
| 183 | SizeSel_P6_NWFS_Ccombo(6)                 | -999.000 | -99   | (-999, 25) | None   |           |                     |
| 184 | Retain_P3_CommercialTrawl(1)_BLK1repL2002 | 5.187    | 3     | (-10, 20)  | OK     | 0.494     | None                |
| 185 | Retain_P3_CommercialTrawl(1)_BLK1repL2011 | 19.997   | 3     | (-10, 20)  | HI     | 14.102    | None                |

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

| 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 | tab:jitter |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------|
| Returned to base case | -       | -       | -       |            |
| Found local minimum   | -       | -       | -       |            |
| Found better solution | -       | -       | -       |            |
| Error in likelihood   | -       | -       | -       |            |
| Total                 | 100     | 100     | 100     |            |

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

| Yr   | Total biomass (mt) | Spawning biomass-million (mt) | Depletion | Age-0 recruits | Total catch (mt) | Relative exploitation rate | SPR  |
|------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|------|
| 1889 | 154794             | 59                            | 0.00      | 25813          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1890 | 154794             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25813          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1891 | 154793             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25813          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1892 | 154768             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25813          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1893 | 154772             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25813          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1894 | 154772             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25813          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1895 | 154789             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1896 | 154794             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1897 | 154794             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1898 | 154795             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1899 | 154794             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1900 | 154794             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1901 | 154793             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1902 | 154793             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1903 | 154792             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1904 | 154788             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1905 | 154791             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 0                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1906 | 154790             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1907 | 154790             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1908 | 154787             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1909 | 154788             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1910 | 154788             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1911 | 154787             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1912 | 154787             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1913 | 154786             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1914 | 154785             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1915 | 154784             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1916 | 154783             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1917 | 154782             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 1                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1918 | 154751             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 4                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1919 | 154771             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1920 | 154772             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1921 | 154773             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1922 | 154776             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1923 | 154774             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 2                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1924 | 154766             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 3                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1925 | 154762             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 3                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1926 | 154750             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 4                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1927 | 154740             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 5                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |

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

| Yr   | Total biomass (mt) | Spawning biomass-million (mt) | Depletion | Age-0 recruits | Total catch (mt) | Relative exploitation rate | SPR  |
|------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|------|
| 1928 | 154732             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 6                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1929 | 154664             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 12               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1930 | 154614             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 16               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1931 | 154678             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25812          | 11               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1932 | 154761             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 3                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1933 | 154748             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 4                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1934 | 154716             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 7                | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1935 | 154684             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 10               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1936 | 154636             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 14               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1937 | 154500             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 26               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1938 | 154466             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25811          | 29               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1939 | 154371             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25810          | 38               | 0.00                       | 1.00 |
| 1940 | 153288             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25809          | 135              | 0.00                       | 0.99 |
| 1941 | 152792             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25807          | 180              | 0.00                       | 0.98 |
| 1942 | 151339             | 59                            | 1.00      | 25804          | 313              | 0.00                       | 0.97 |
| 1943 | 140795             | 59                            | 0.99      | 25798          | 1346             | 0.01                       | 0.87 |
| 1944 | 132309             | 58                            | 0.98      | 25774          | 2263             | 0.01                       | 0.79 |
| 1945 | 117355             | 57                            | 0.97      | 25731          | 4127             | 0.03                       | 0.65 |
| 1946 | 131232             | 55                            | 0.94      | 25650          | 2289             | 0.02                       | 0.78 |
| 1947 | 140502             | 55                            | 0.92      | 25605          | 1290             | 0.01                       | 0.87 |
| 1948 | 142587             | 54                            | 0.92      | 25583          | 1082             | 0.01                       | 0.89 |
| 1949 | 148194             | 54                            | 0.91      | 25566          | 564              | 0.00                       | 0.94 |
| 1950 | 141392             | 54                            | 0.91      | 25563          | 1194             | 0.01                       | 0.87 |
| 1951 | 141497             | 53                            | 0.90      | 25548          | 1180             | 0.01                       | 0.88 |
| 1952 | 137444             | 53                            | 0.90      | 25536          | 1576             | 0.01                       | 0.84 |
| 1953 | 144821             | 53                            | 0.89      | 25516          | 861              | 0.01                       | 0.91 |
| 1954 | 141957             | 53                            | 0.89      | 25513          | 1128             | 0.01                       | 0.88 |
| 1955 | 141434             | 53                            | 0.89      | 25506          | 1176             | 0.01                       | 0.87 |
| 1956 | 139434             | 52                            | 0.89      | 25498          | 1367             | 0.01                       | 0.86 |
| 1957 | 139178             | 52                            | 0.88      | 25487          | 1388             | 0.01                       | 0.85 |
| 1958 | 138722             | 52                            | 0.88      | 25476          | 1428             | 0.01                       | 0.85 |
| 1959 | 137991             | 52                            | 0.88      | 25464          | 1496             | 0.01                       | 0.84 |
| 1960 | 134605             | 52                            | 0.87      | 25451          | 1830             | 0.01                       | 0.81 |
| 1961 | 135545             | 51                            | 0.87      | 25431          | 1724             | 0.01                       | 0.82 |
| 1962 | 129781             | 51                            | 0.86      | 25414          | 2317             | 0.02                       | 0.77 |
| 1963 | 133793             | 50                            | 0.85      | 25383          | 1877             | 0.01                       | 0.80 |
| 1964 | 137182             | 50                            | 0.85      | 25363          | 1532             | 0.01                       | 0.84 |
| 1965 | 137996             | 50                            | 0.84      | 25353          | 1450             | 0.01                       | 0.84 |
| 1966 | 141481             | 50                            | 0.84      | 25345          | 1123             | 0.01                       | 0.88 |

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| Yr   | Total biomass (mt) | Spawning biomass-million (mt) | Depletion | Age-0 recruits | Total catch (mt) | Relative exploitation rate | SPR  |
|------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|------|
| 1967 | 138338             | 50                            | 0.84      | 25347          | 1425             | 0.01                       | 0.85 |
| 1968 | 132784             | 50                            | 0.84      | 25341          | 1965             | 0.01                       | 0.79 |
| 1969 | 120420             | 49                            | 0.84      | 25324          | 3328             | 0.02                       | 0.68 |
| 1970 | 137003             | 49                            | 0.82      | 25273          | 1514             | 0.01                       | 0.83 |
| 1971 | 136282             | 48                            | 0.82      | 25268          | 1582             | 0.01                       | 0.83 |
| 1972 | 128391             | 48                            | 0.82      | 25262          | 2376             | 0.02                       | 0.75 |
| 1973 | 124015             | 48                            | 0.81      | 25236          | 2836             | 0.02                       | 0.71 |
| 1974 | 131325             | 47                            | 0.80      | 25199          | 2035             | 0.02                       | 0.78 |
| 1975 | 137137             | 47                            | 0.80      | 51598          | 1471             | 0.01                       | 0.83 |
| 1976 | 113186             | 47                            | 0.80      | 39311          | 4118             | 0.03                       | 0.62 |
| 1977 | 98634              | 46                            | 0.78      | 26821          | 6157             | 0.05                       | 0.49 |
| 1978 | 84061              | 44                            | 0.75      | 20440          | 8695             | 0.07                       | 0.37 |
| 1979 | 86670              | 41                            | 0.70      | 15590          | 7750             | 0.06                       | 0.39 |
| 1980 | 86254              | 39                            | 0.66      | 20625          | 7620             | 0.06                       | 0.38 |
| 1981 | 75548              | 37                            | 0.62      | 18688          | 9622             | 0.08                       | 0.30 |
| 1982 | 71779              | 34                            | 0.57      | 12230          | 10232            | 0.09                       | 0.27 |
| 1983 | 67627              | 31                            | 0.53      | 18765          | 10722            | 0.10                       | 0.24 |
| 1984 | 91933              | 29                            | 0.49      | 19560          | 5429             | 0.06                       | 0.43 |
| 1985 | 104772             | 29                            | 0.49      | 14722          | 3716             | 0.04                       | 0.54 |
| 1986 | 91966              | 29                            | 0.50      | 16344          | 5356             | 0.06                       | 0.43 |
| 1987 | 90524              | 29                            | 0.49      | 19641          | 5383             | 0.06                       | 0.41 |
| 1988 | 79599              | 28                            | 0.48      | 15087          | 6754             | 0.08                       | 0.33 |
| 1989 | 87116              | 26                            | 0.45      | 20624          | 5188             | 0.07                       | 0.39 |
| 1990 | 87911              | 25                            | 0.43      | 30079          | 4889             | 0.06                       | 0.40 |
| 1991 | 90688              | 24                            | 0.41      | 24691          | 4416             | 0.06                       | 0.41 |
| 1992 | 71599              | 23                            | 0.39      | 15697          | 6848             | 0.10                       | 0.27 |
| 1993 | 72352              | 21                            | 0.36      | 13652          | 6144             | 0.09                       | 0.28 |
| 1994 | 70797              | 19                            | 0.33      | 16778          | 6201             | 0.09                       | 0.26 |
| 1995 | 72714              | 18                            | 0.30      | 11813          | 5684             | 0.09                       | 0.27 |
| 1996 | 67797              | 17                            | 0.28      | 10942          | 6265             | 0.10                       | 0.23 |
| 1997 | 102753             | 15                            | 0.26      | 11052          | 2412             | 0.04                       | 0.51 |
| 1998 | 94200              | 16                            | 0.27      | 108136         | 3141             | 0.05                       | 0.44 |
| 1999 | 91169              | 16                            | 0.27      | 3367           | 3586             | 0.06                       | 0.40 |
| 2000 | 88845              | 16                            | 0.27      | 9756           | 3722             | 0.06                       | 0.39 |
| 2001 | 106394             | 16                            | 0.28      | 18274          | 2293             | 0.04                       | 0.55 |
| 2002 | 123881             | 17                            | 0.29      | 248297         | 1348             | 0.02                       | 0.71 |
| 2003 | 142904             | 18                            | 0.30      | 20442          | 495              | 0.01                       | 0.89 |
| 2004 | 140221             | 19                            | 0.32      | 209478         | 685              | 0.01                       | 0.86 |
| 2005 | 136550             | 20                            | 0.34      | 52109          | 985              | 0.01                       | 0.83 |

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|------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|------|
| 2006 | 145105             | 22                            | 0.37      | 39834          | 564              | 0.00                       | 0.91 |
| 2007 | 148707             | 25                            | 0.42      | 6831           | 410              | 0.00                       | 0.94 |
| 2008 | 147994             | 28                            | 0.48      | 10266          | 519              | 0.00                       | 0.93 |
| 2009 | 146570             | 32                            | 0.55      | 7453           | 780              | 0.00                       | 0.92 |
| 2010 | 146317             | 38                            | 0.65      | 10455          | 971              | 0.00                       | 0.92 |
| 2011 | 144833             | 47                            | 0.79      | 6291           | 1356             | 0.01                       | 0.90 |
| 2012 | 144229             | 58                            | 0.98      | 9250           | 1600             | 0.01                       | 0.90 |
| 2013 | 145687             | 70                            | 1.18      | 14376          | 1441             | 0.01                       | 0.91 |
| 2014 | 145695             | 80                            | 1.36      | 21767          | 1475             | 0.01                       | 0.91 |
| 2015 | 142409             | 89                            | 1.50      | 26680          | 2051             | 0.01                       | 0.88 |
| 2016 | 145321             | 94                            | 1.59      | 26785          |                  |                            |      |

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

| Label                       | Base<br>(Francis<br>weights) | Harmonic<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_Umfished_thousand_mt    | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotBio_Umfished             | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SmryBio_Umfished            | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Recr_Umfished_billions      | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_Btgt_thousand_mt        | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SPR_Btgt                    | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Fstd_Btgt                   | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotYield_Btgt_thousand_mt   | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_SPRtgt_thousand_mt      | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Fstd_SPRtgt                 | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotYield_SPRtgt_thousand_mt | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SSB_MSY_thousand_mt         | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| SPR_MSY                     | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| Fstd_MSY                    | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| TotYield_MSY_thousand_mt    | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| RetYield_MSY                | -                            | -                    | -             | -            | -                          | -                 | -               | -                  |
| 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>contribution<br>(mt) | ACL landings<br>(mt) | Age 5+<br>biomass (mt) | Spawning<br>Biomass (mt) | <b>tab:Forecast_mod1</b> |
|------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2017 | 11696.40                    | 11126.27             | 216928.00              | 95739800.00              | 1.62                     |
| 2018 | 10596.60                    | 10056.15             | 198233.00              | 90510500.00              | 1.53                     |
| 2019 | 9528.95                     | 9024.93              | 181713.00              | 83865500.00              | 1.42                     |
| 2020 | 8559.73                     | 8097.06              | 167578.00              | 76617200.00              | 1.30                     |
| 2021 | 7727.11                     | 7301.09              | 155765.00              | 69415300.00              | 1.18                     |
| 2022 | 7043.72                     | 6648.11              | 146058.00              | 62757800.00              | 1.06                     |
| 2023 | 6503.01                     | 6131.69              | 138164.00              | 56959800.00              | 0.96                     |
| 2024 | 6086.95                     | 5734.54              | 131774.00              | 52134900.00              | 0.88                     |
| 2025 | 5772.74                     | 5434.85              | 126593.00              | 48231800.00              | 0.82                     |
| 2026 | 5537.46                     | 5210.68              | 122363.00              | 45117400.00              | 0.76                     |
| 2027 | 5360.66                     | 5042.43              | 118870.00              | 42639000.00              | 0.72                     |
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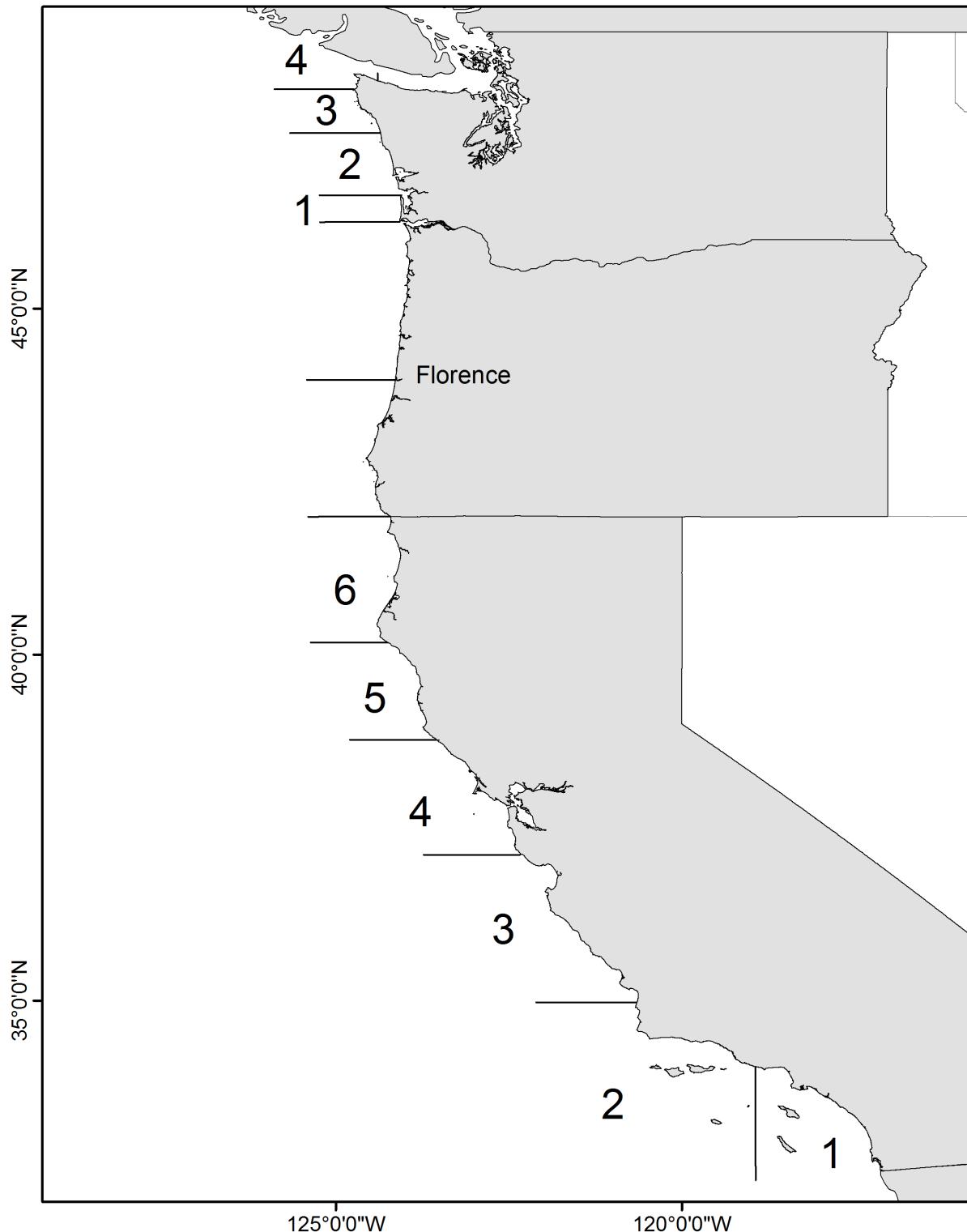


Figure 1: Map showing the state boundary lines for management of the recreational fishing fleets. CRFS Districts 1-6 in California are presented as well as the WDFW Recreational Management Areas in Washington. Florence, OR is shown as a potential location of model stratification. fig:boundary\_map

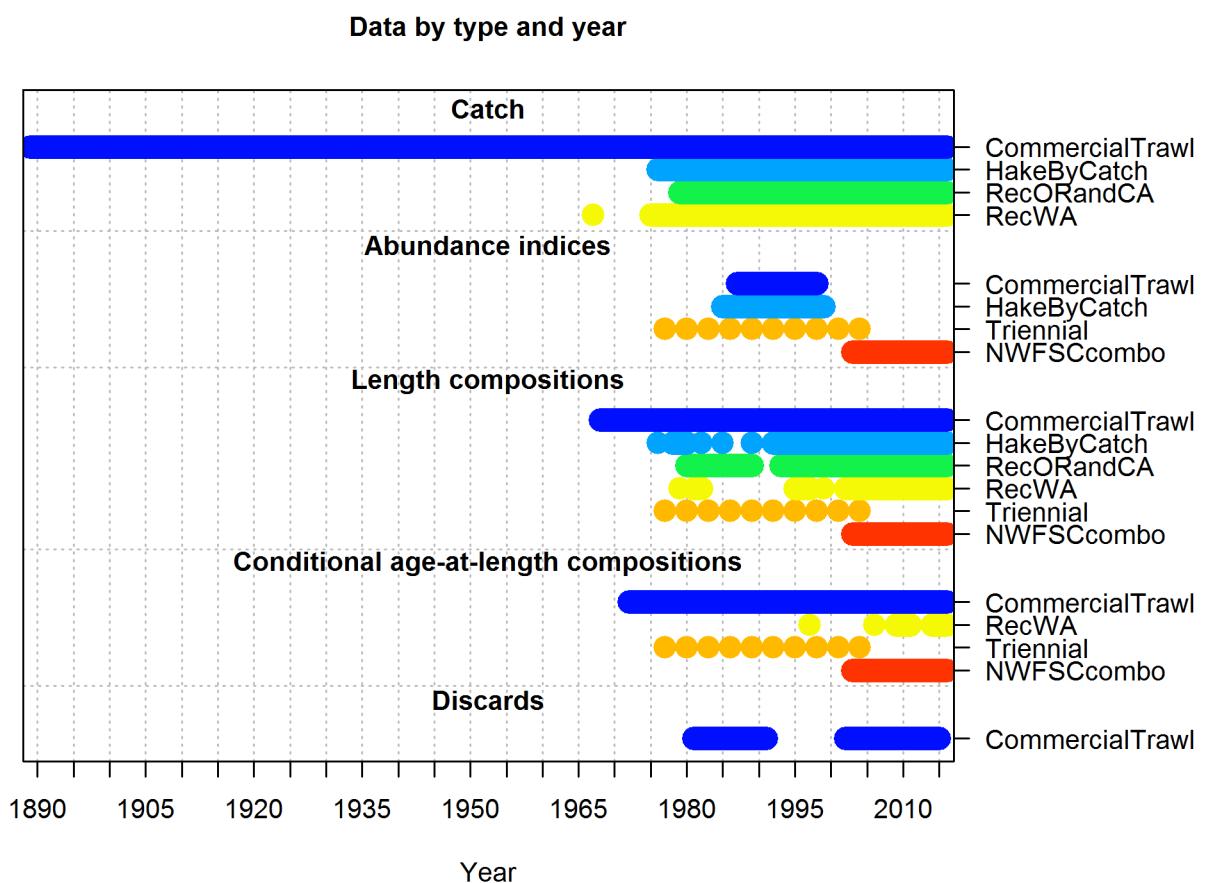


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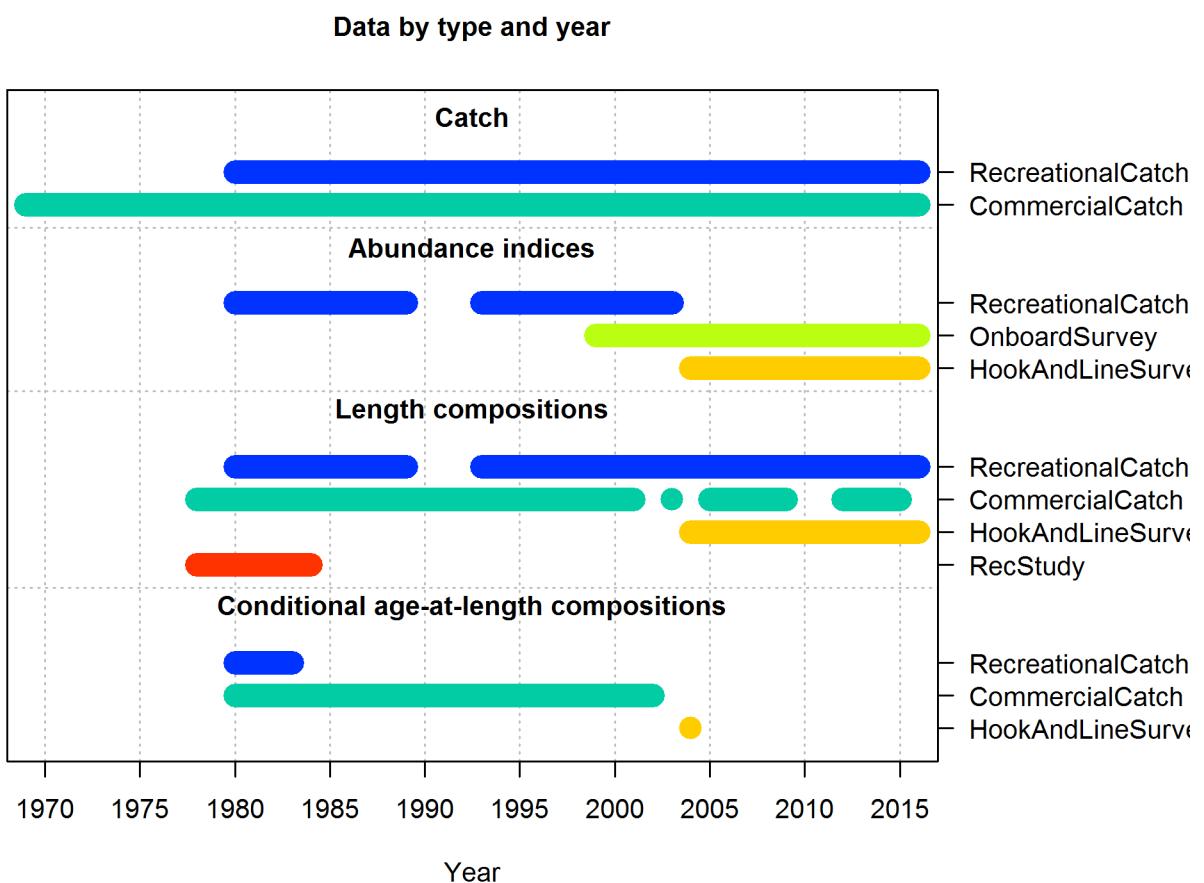


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### Length comps, retained, CommercialTrawl

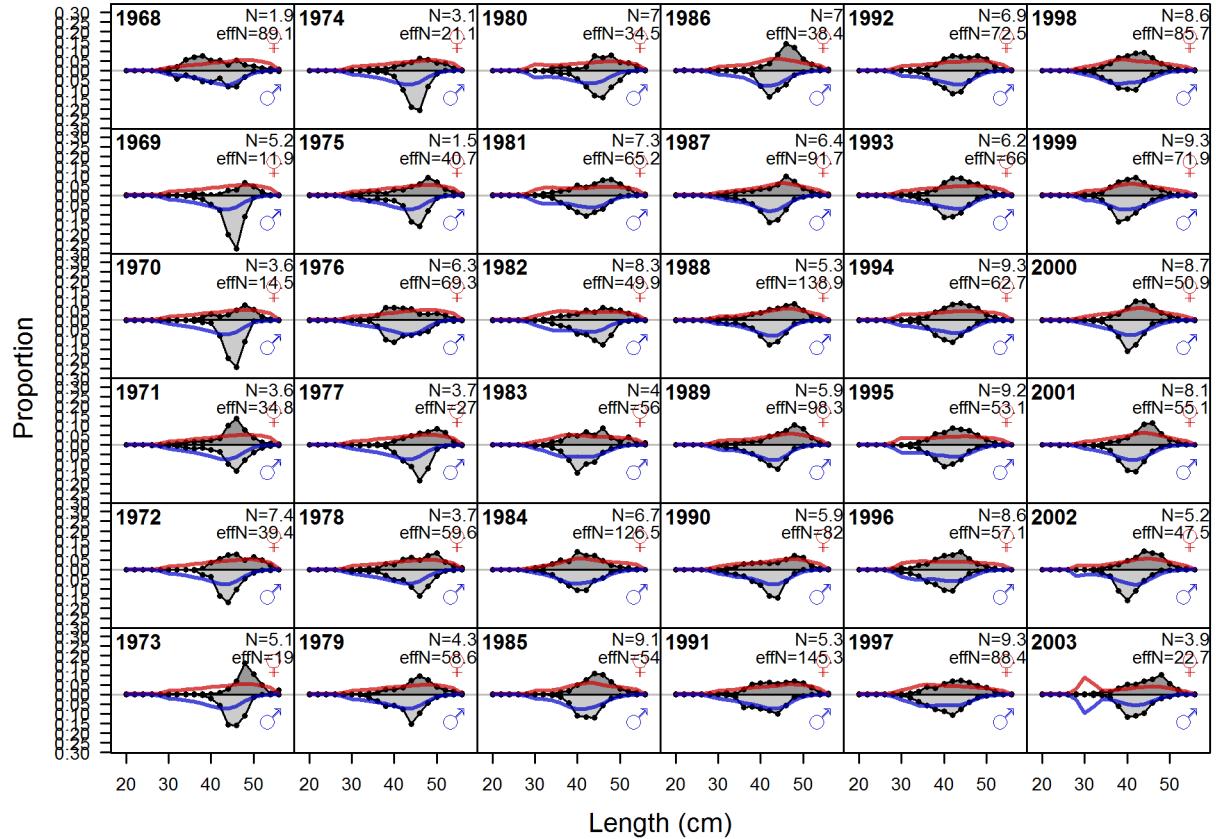
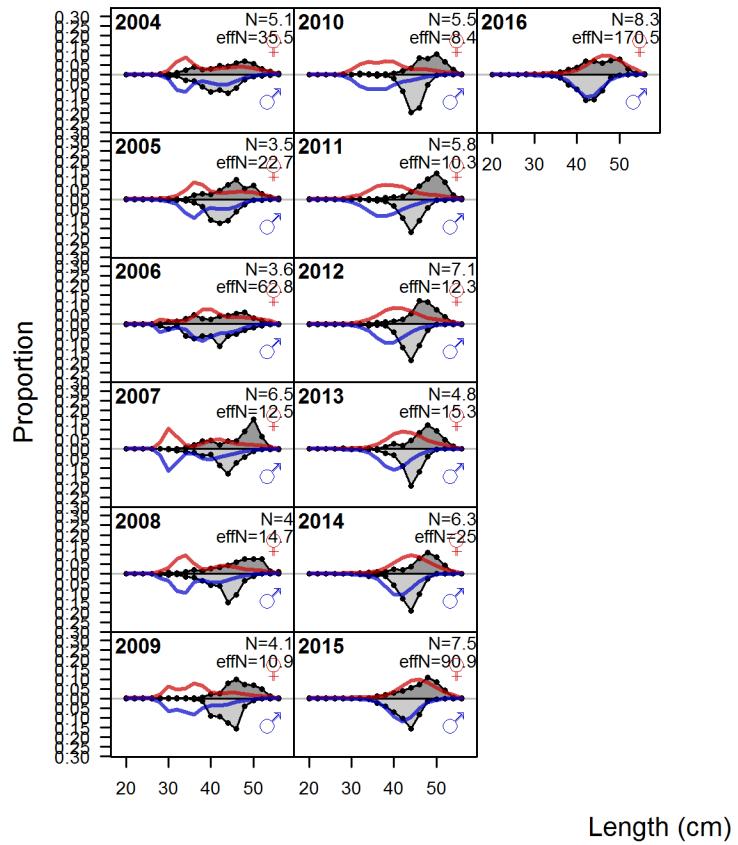


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### Length comps, retained, CommercialTrawl

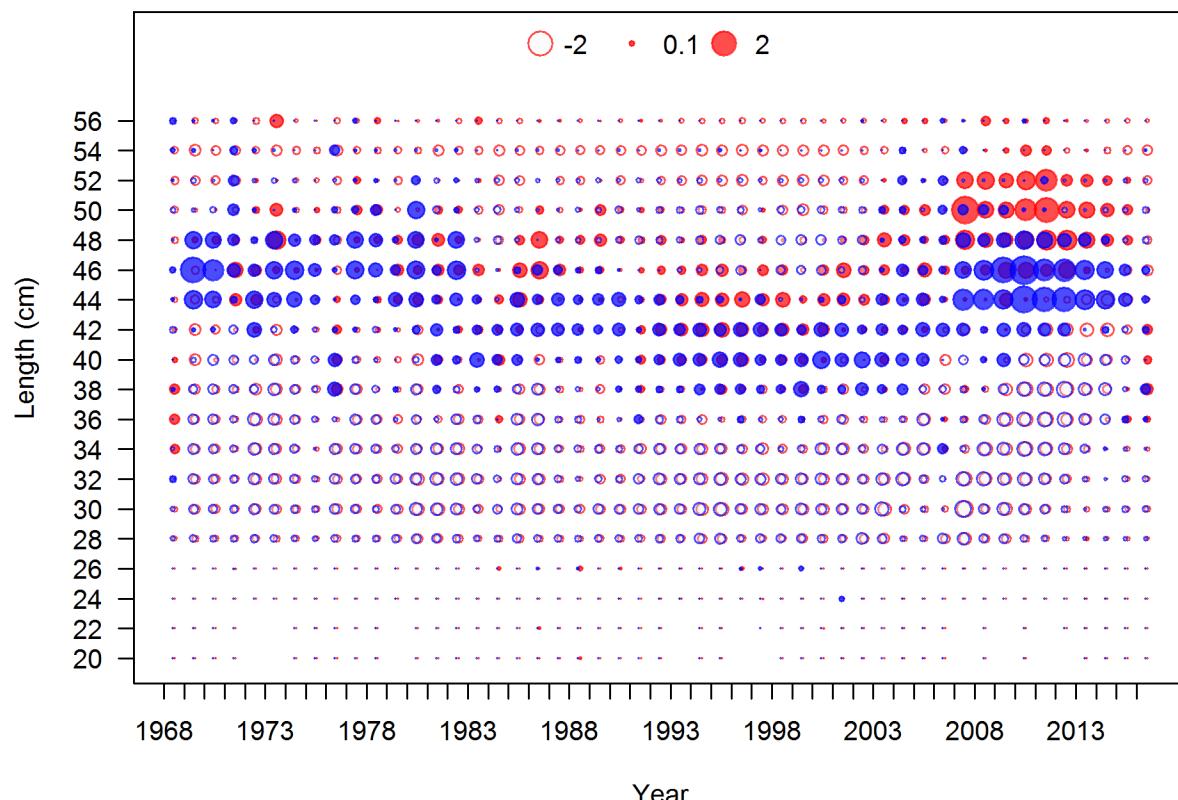


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Pearson residuals, retained, CommercialTrawl (max=2.65)



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N-EffN comparison, Length comps, retained, CommercialTrawl

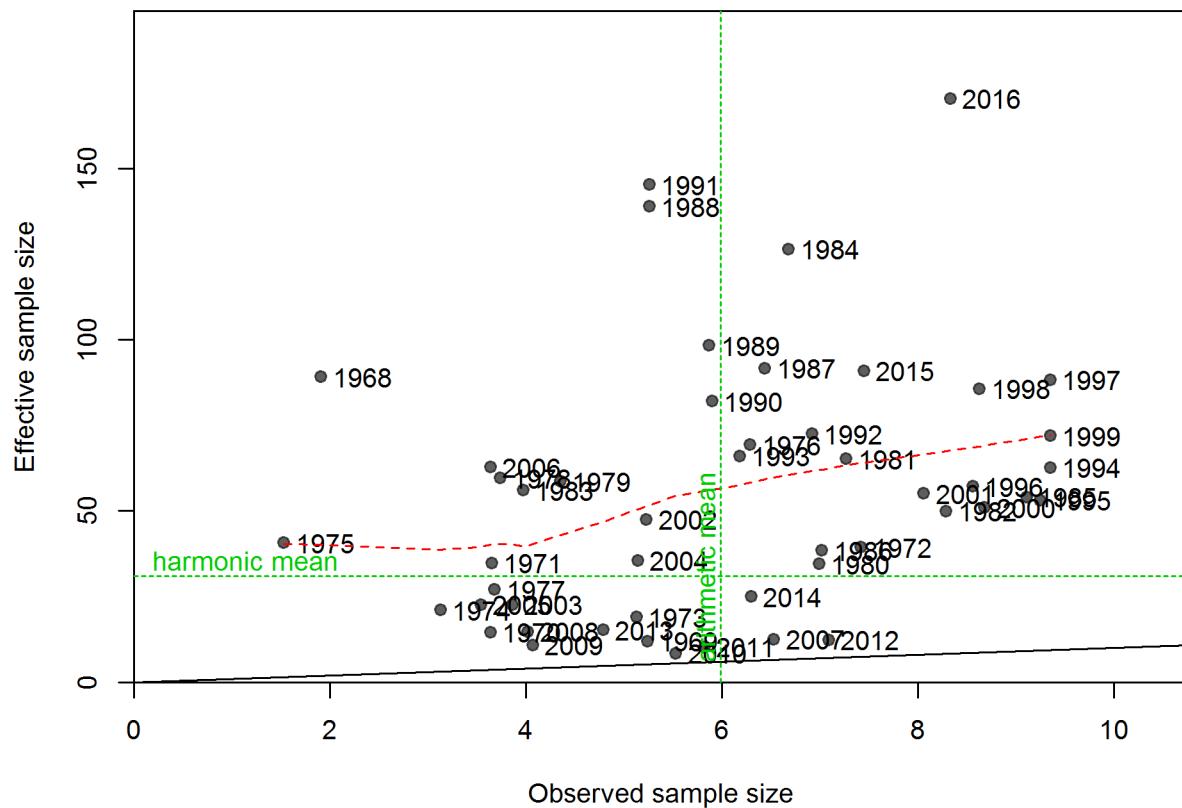


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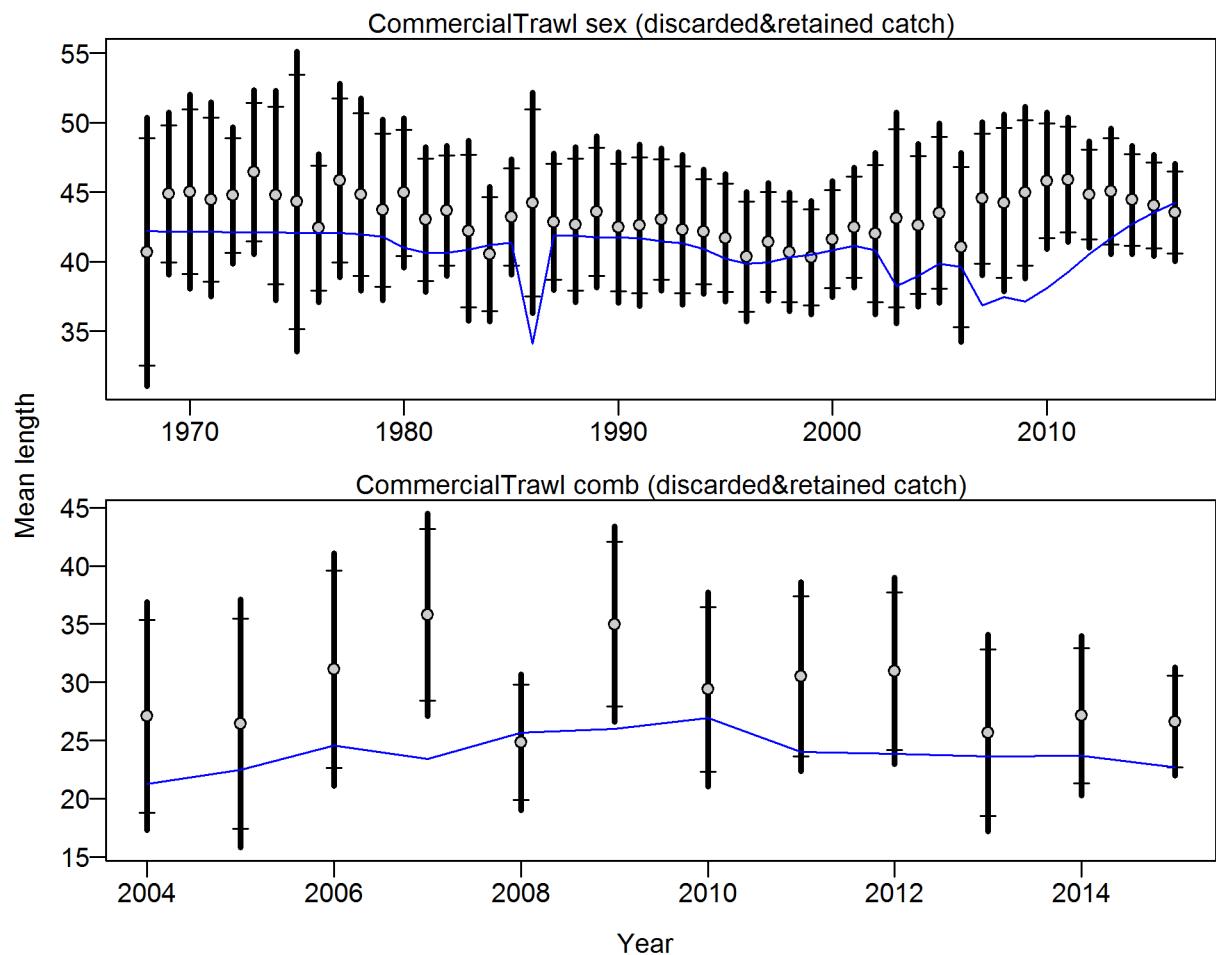


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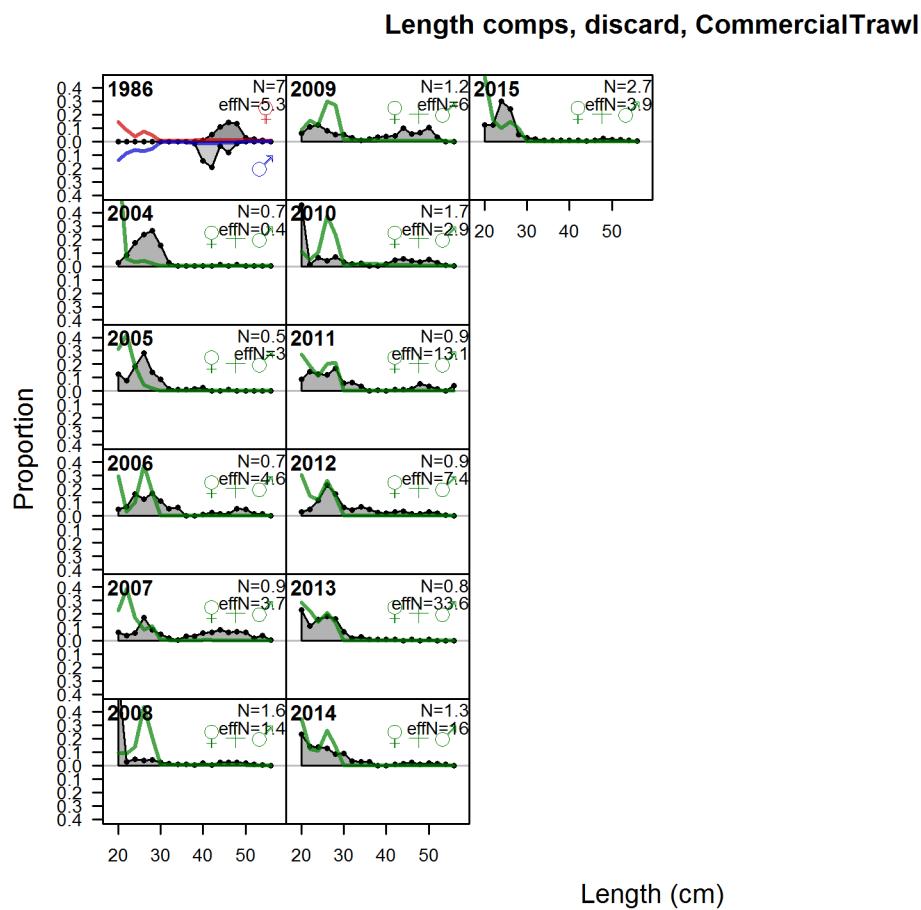


Figure 7: Length comps, discard, CommercialTrawl | `fig:mod1_6_comp_lenfit_flt1mkt`

**Pearson residuals, discard, CommercialTrawl (max=3.96)**

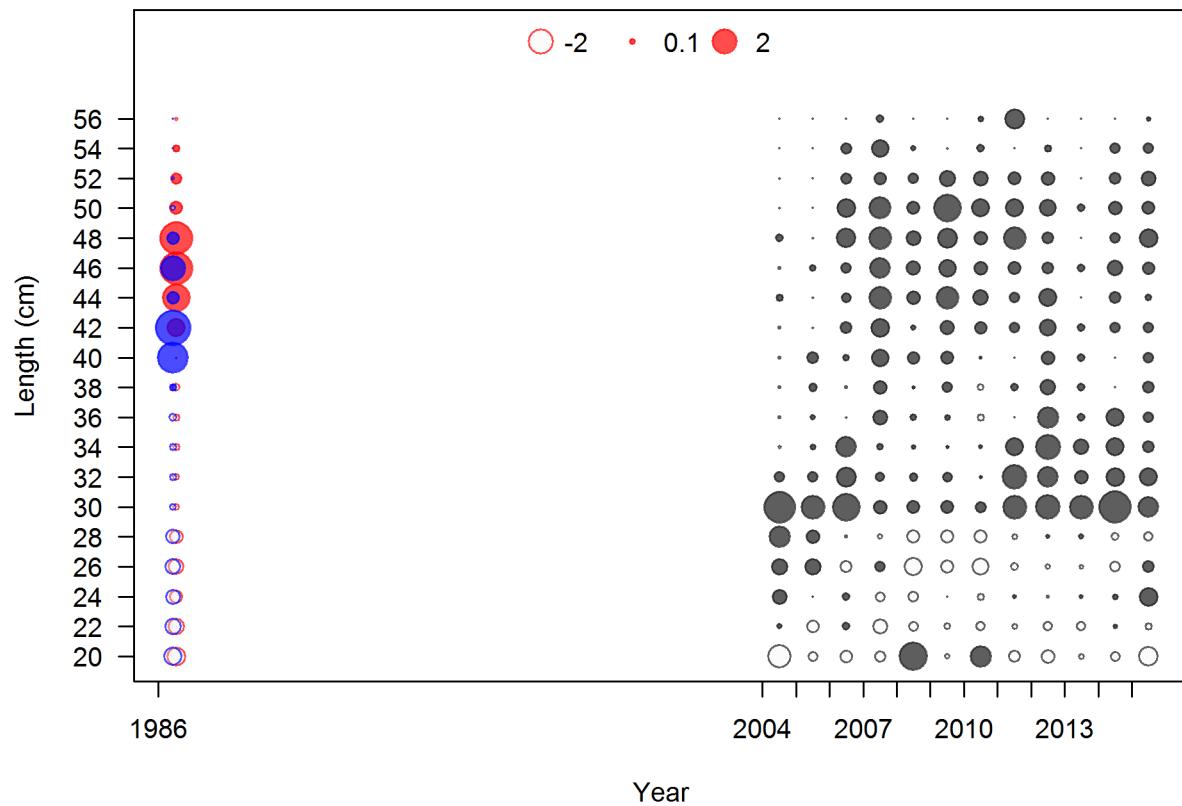


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N-EffN comparison, Length comps, discard, CommercialTrawl

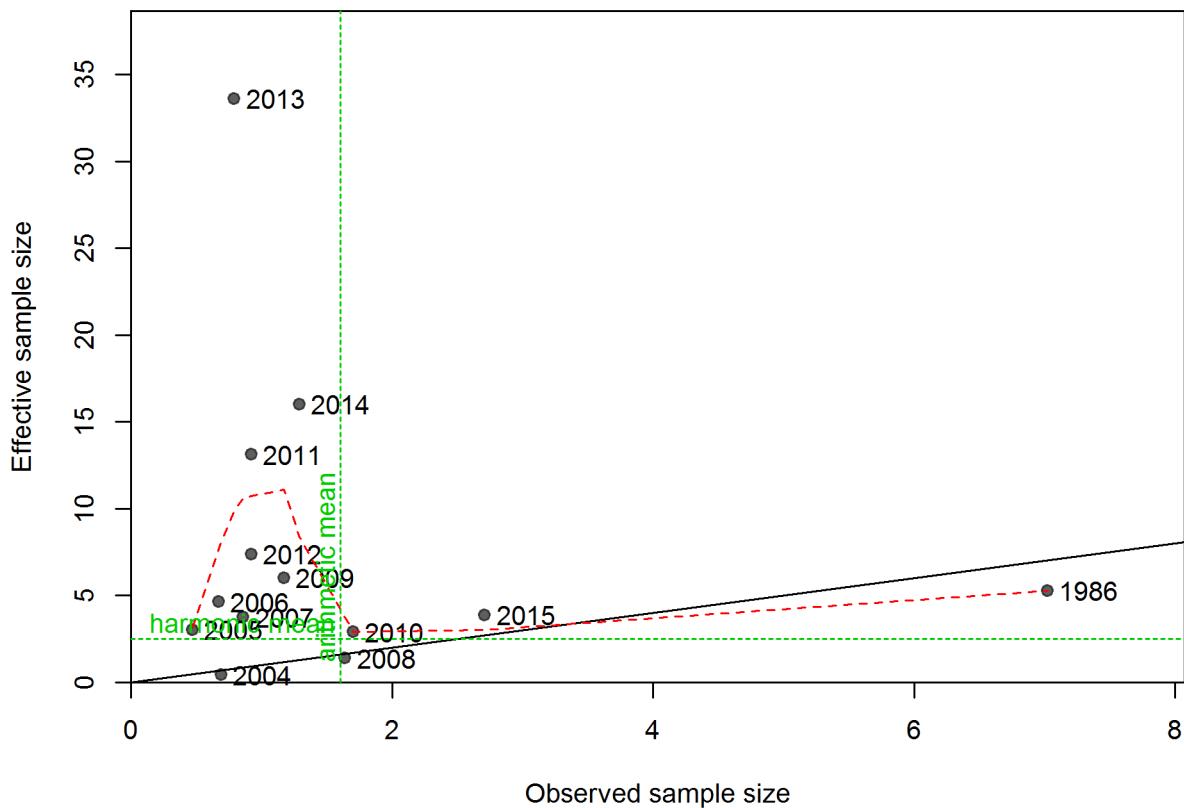


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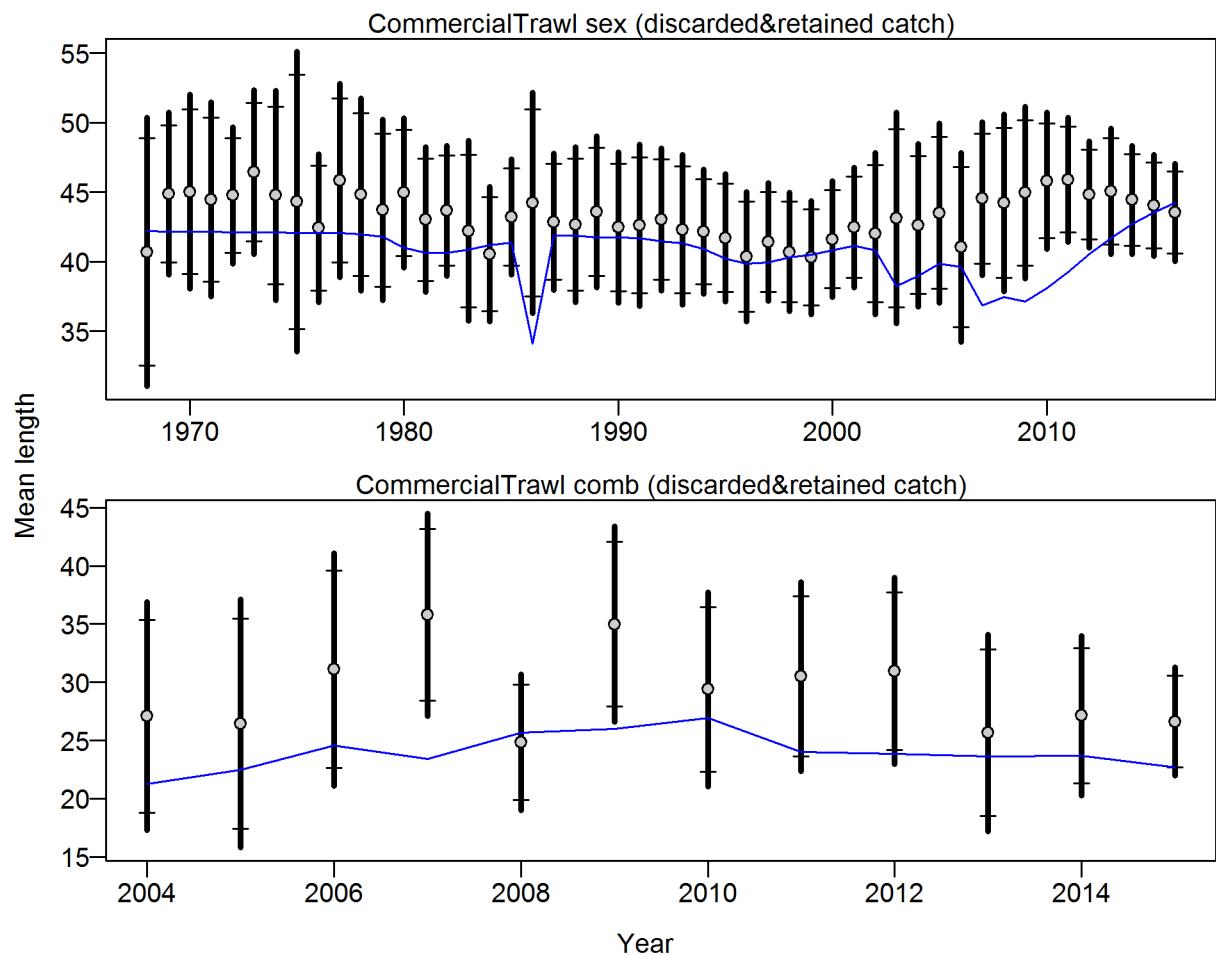


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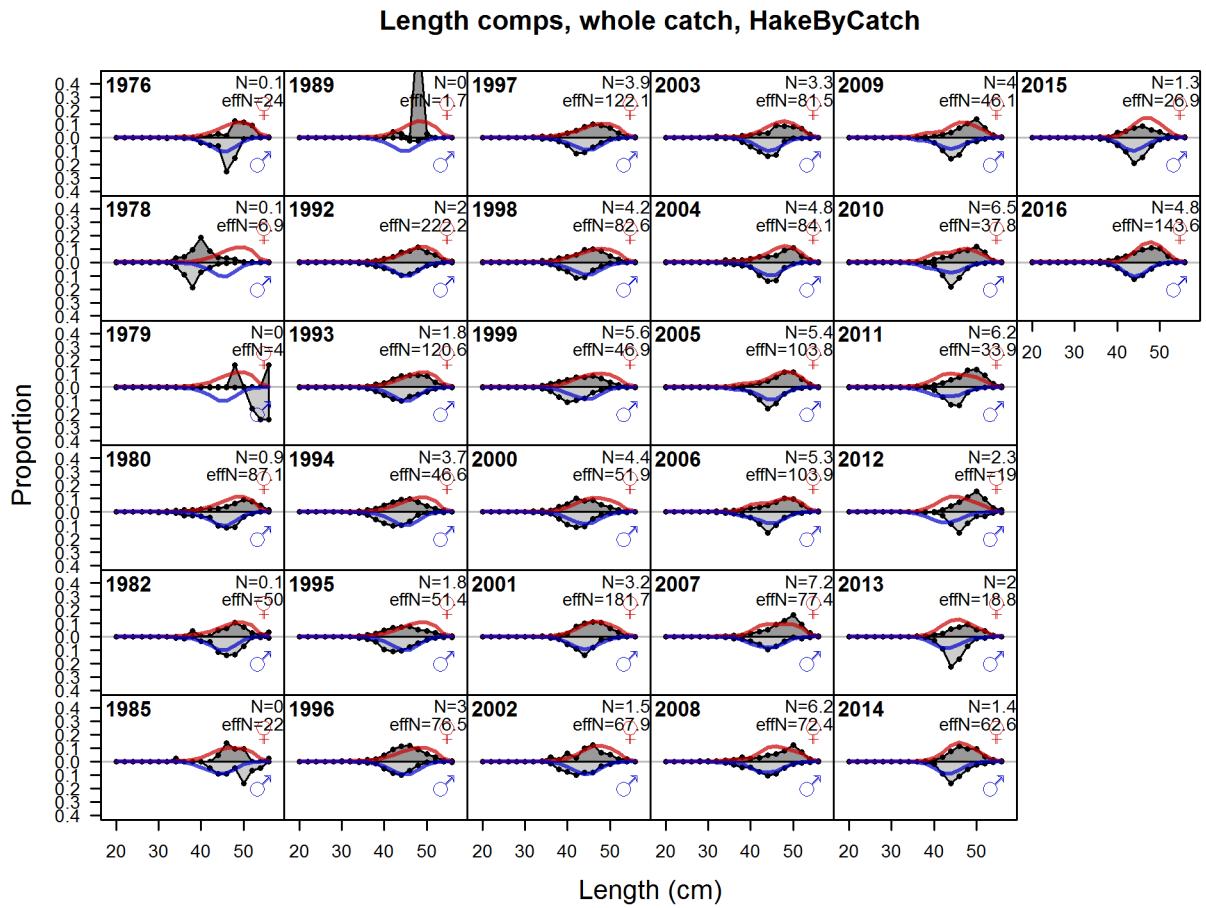


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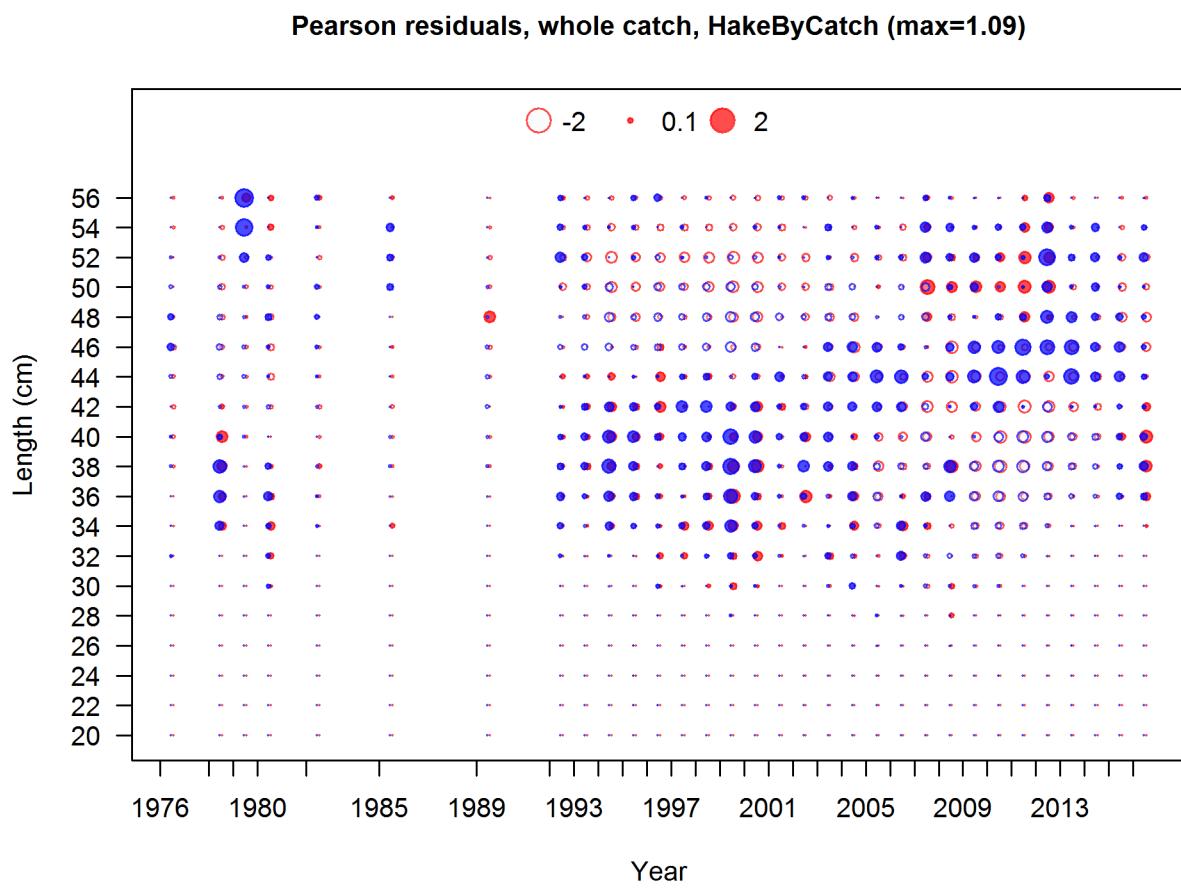


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N-EffN comparison, Length comps, whole catch, HakeByCatch

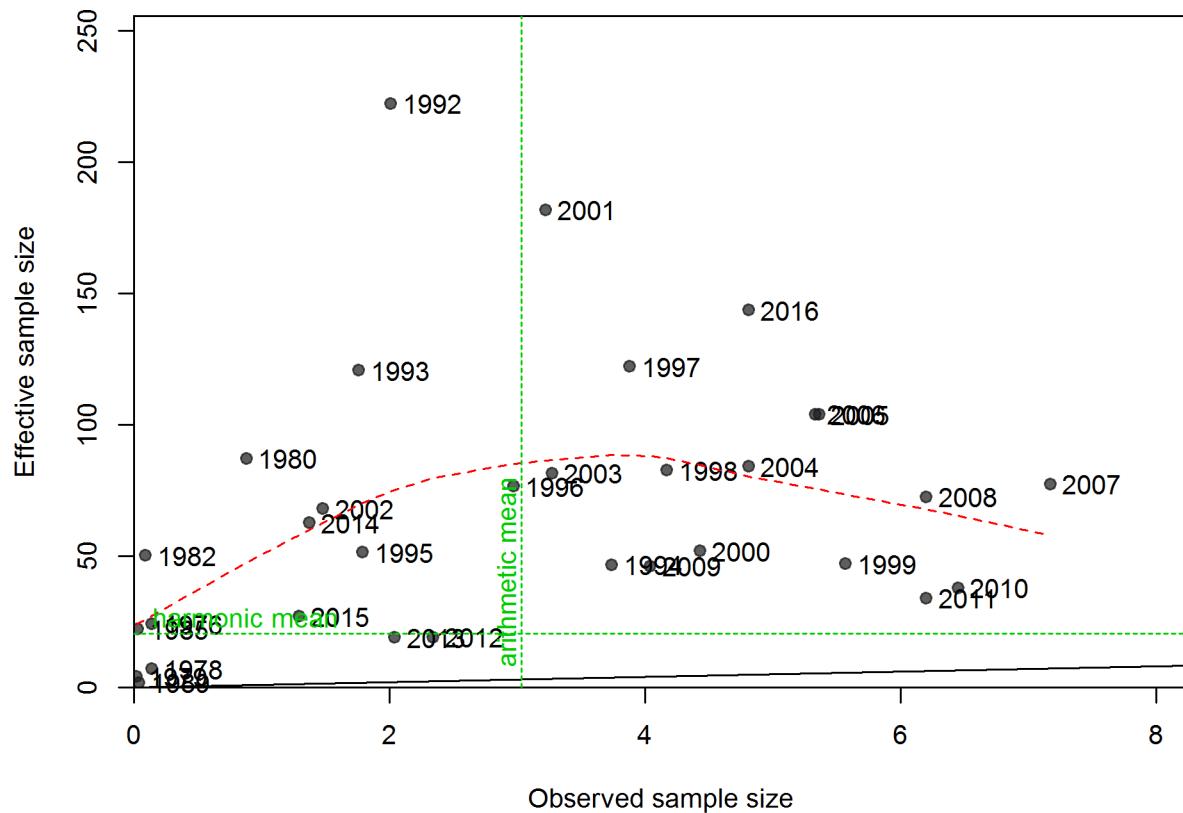


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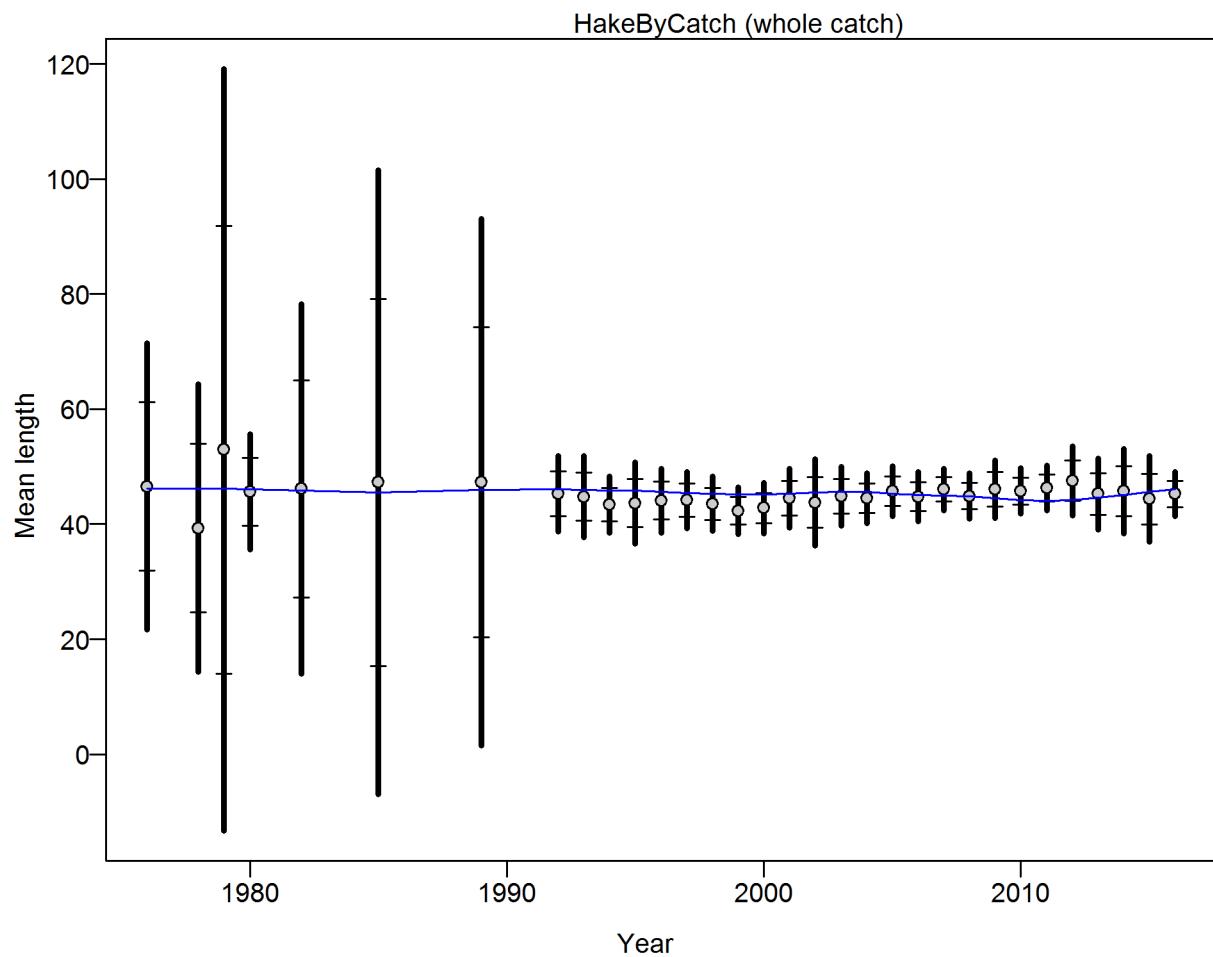


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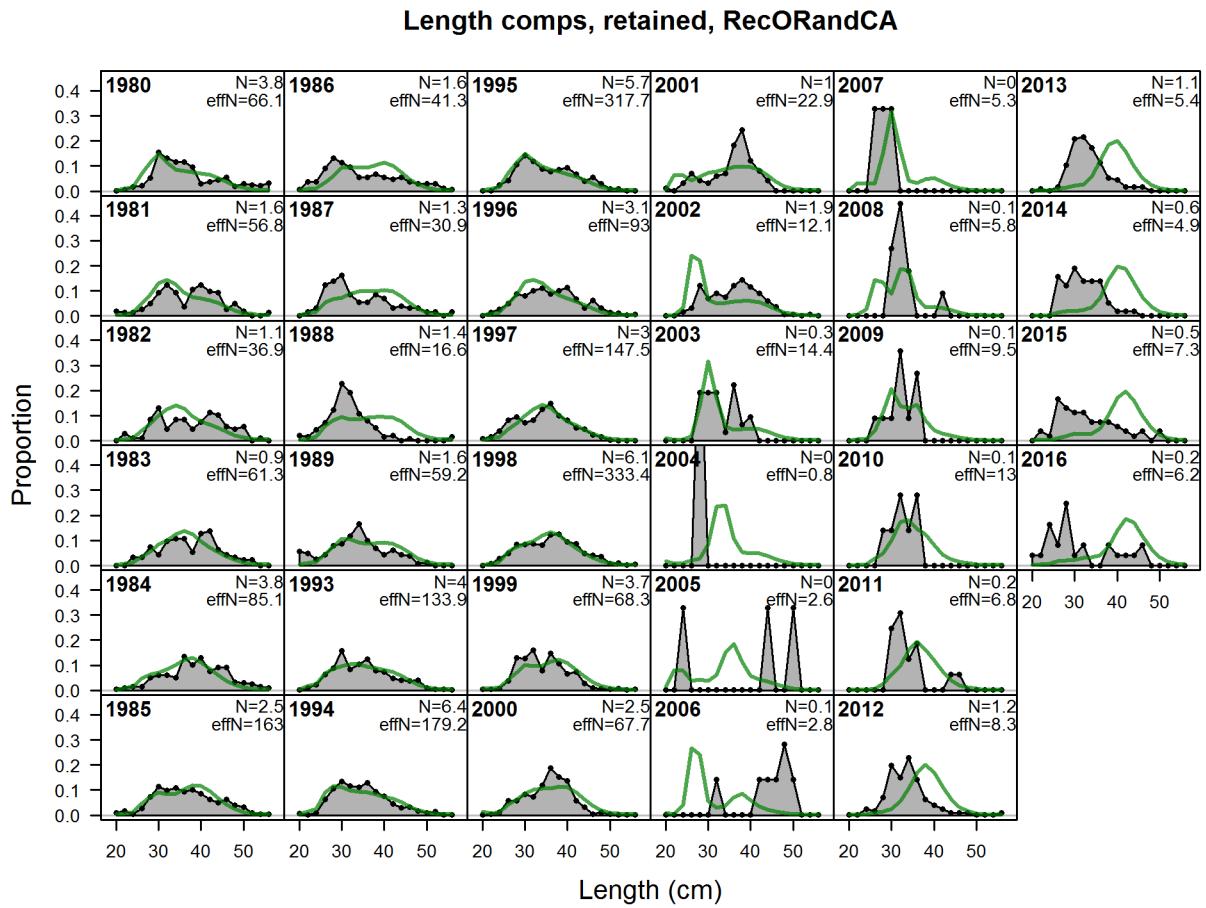


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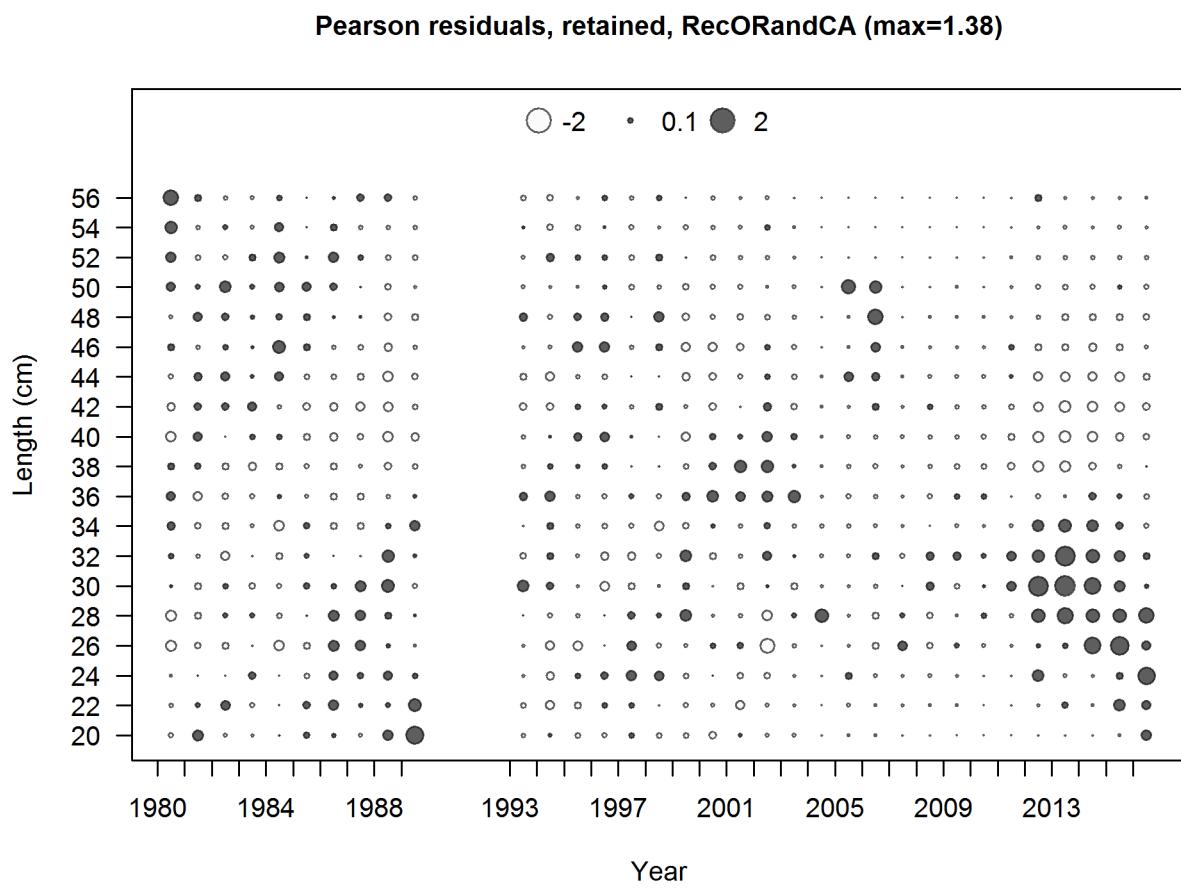


Figure 16: Pearson residuals, retained, RecORandCA (max=1.38)  
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N\_EffN comparison, Length comps, retained, RecORandCA

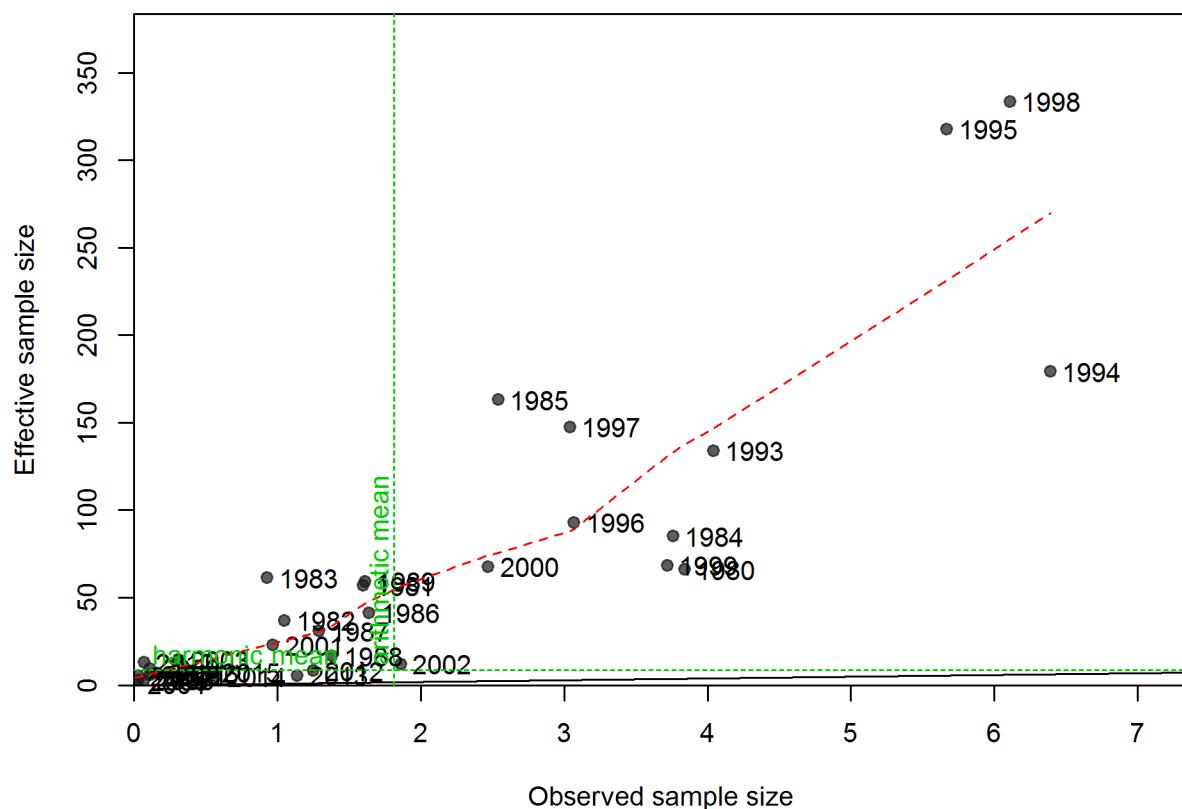


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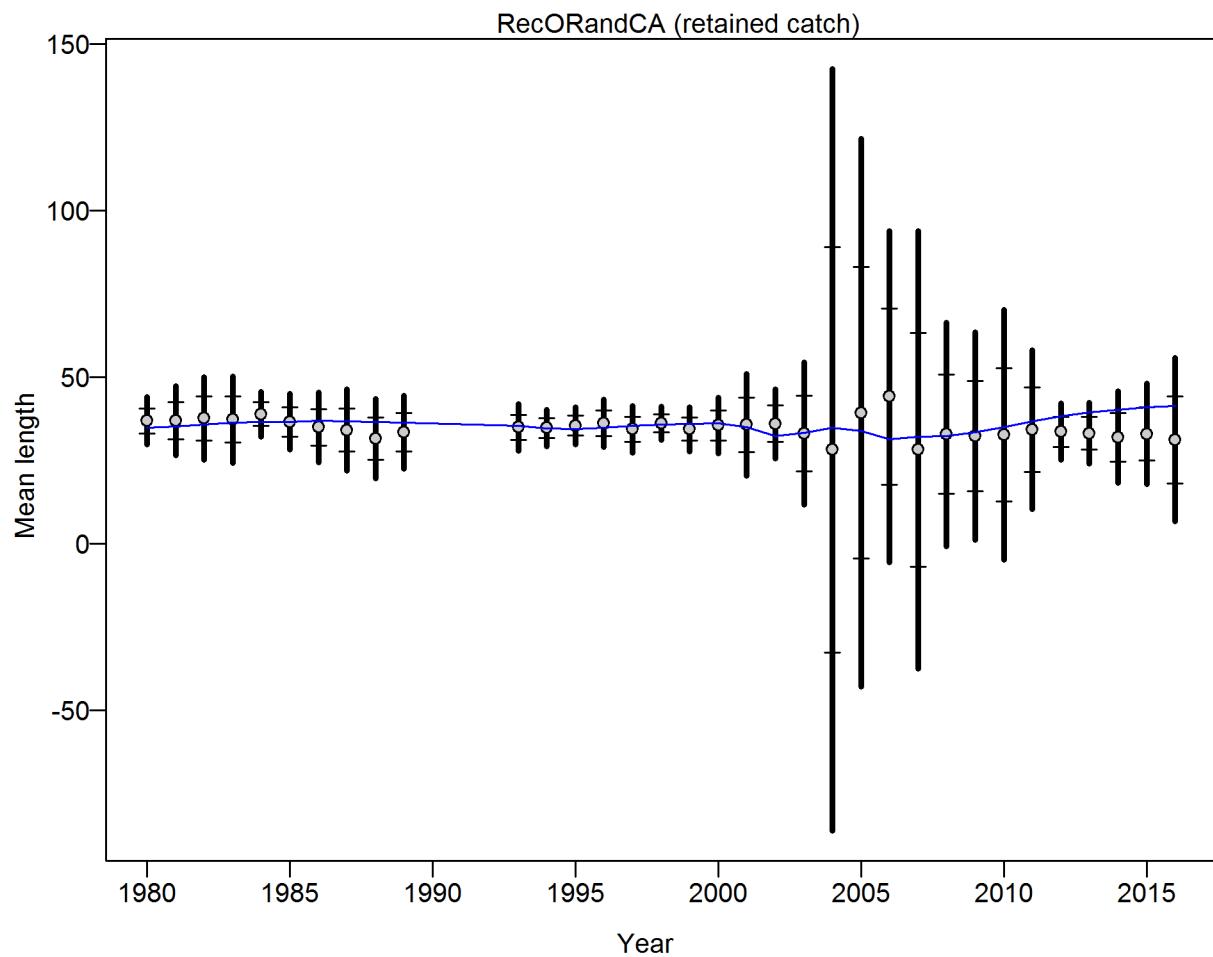


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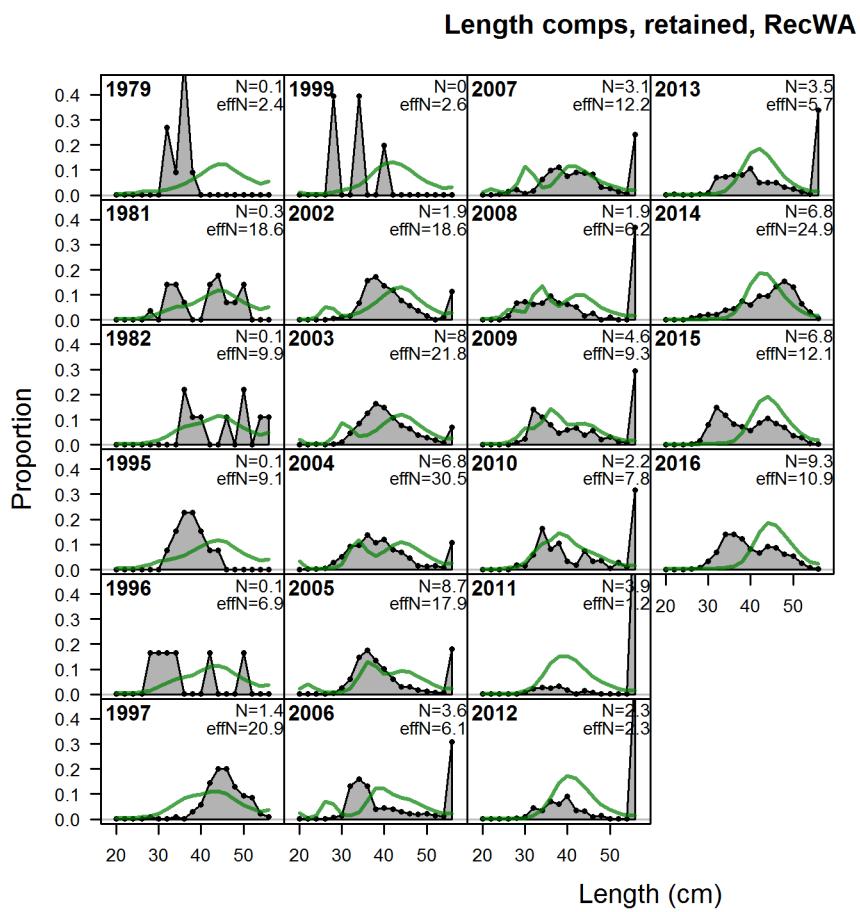


Figure 19: Length comps, retained, RecWA

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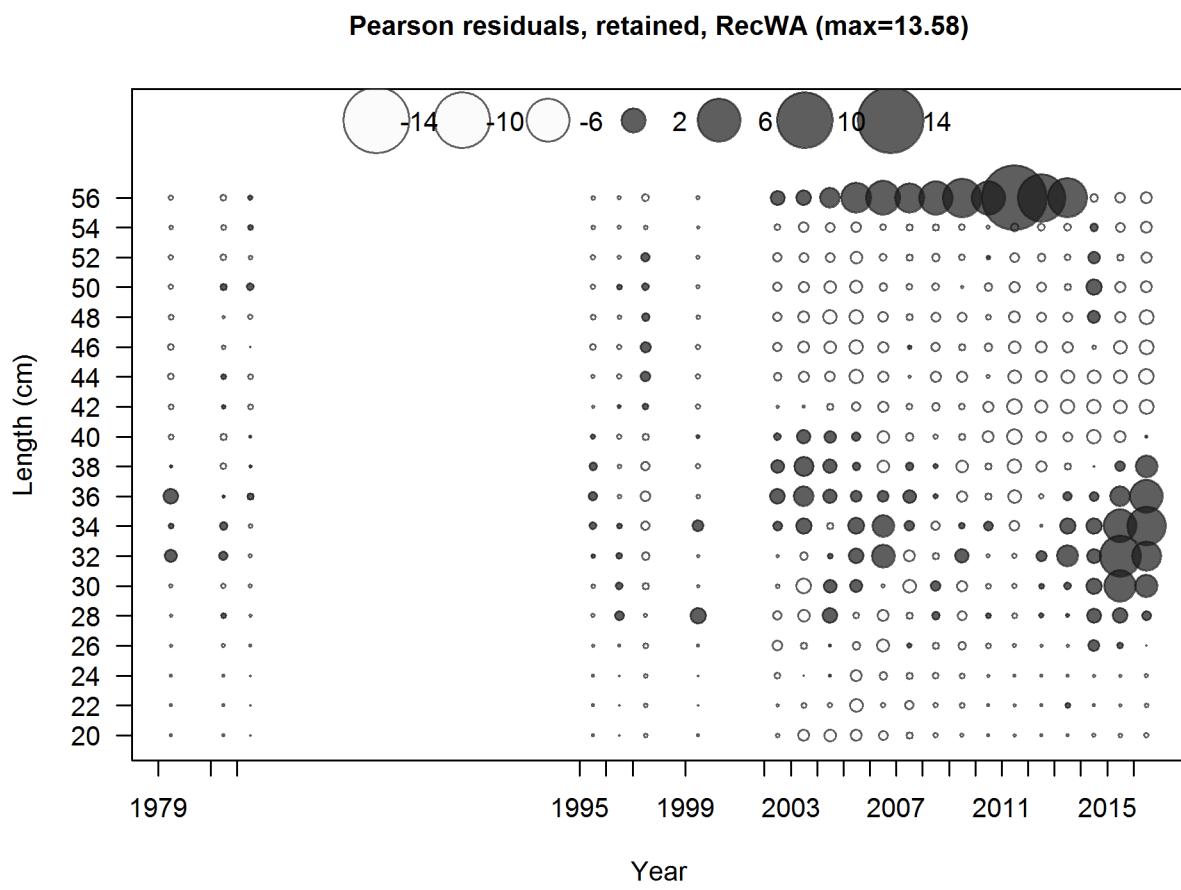


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N-EffN comparison, Length comps, retained, RecWA

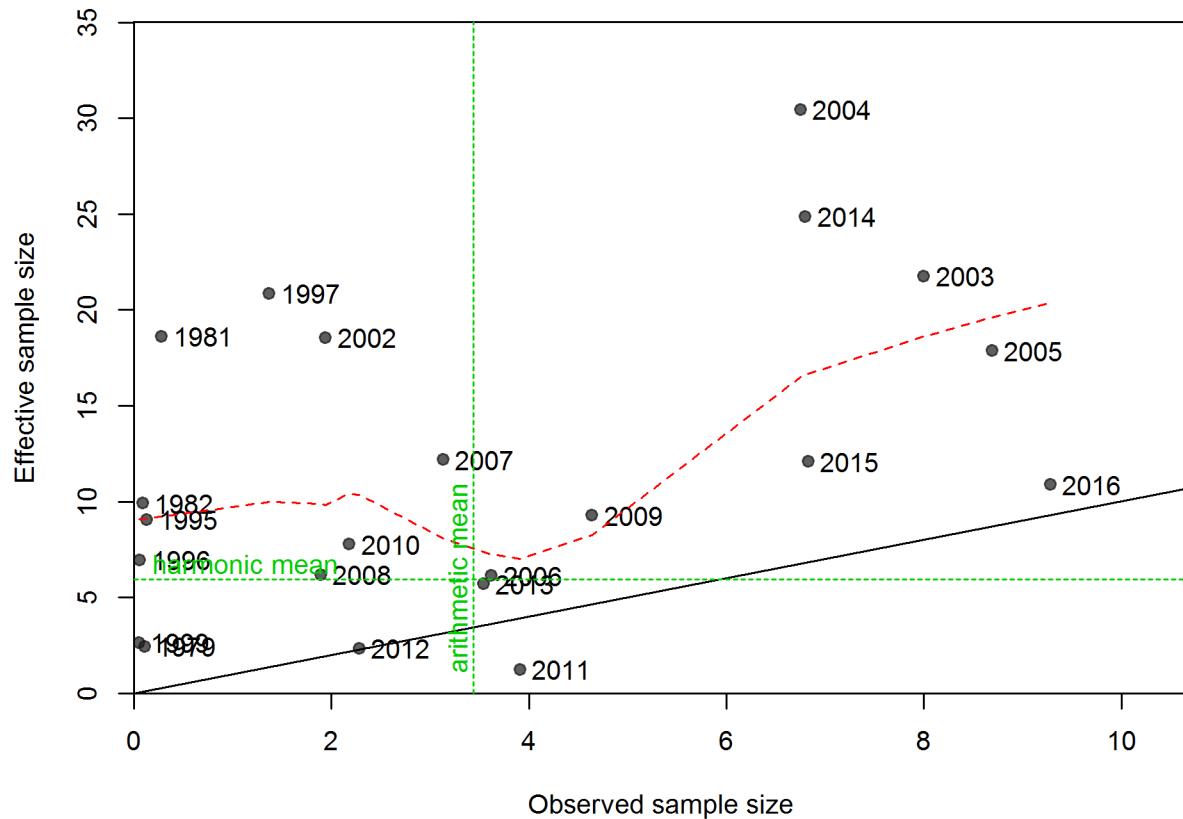


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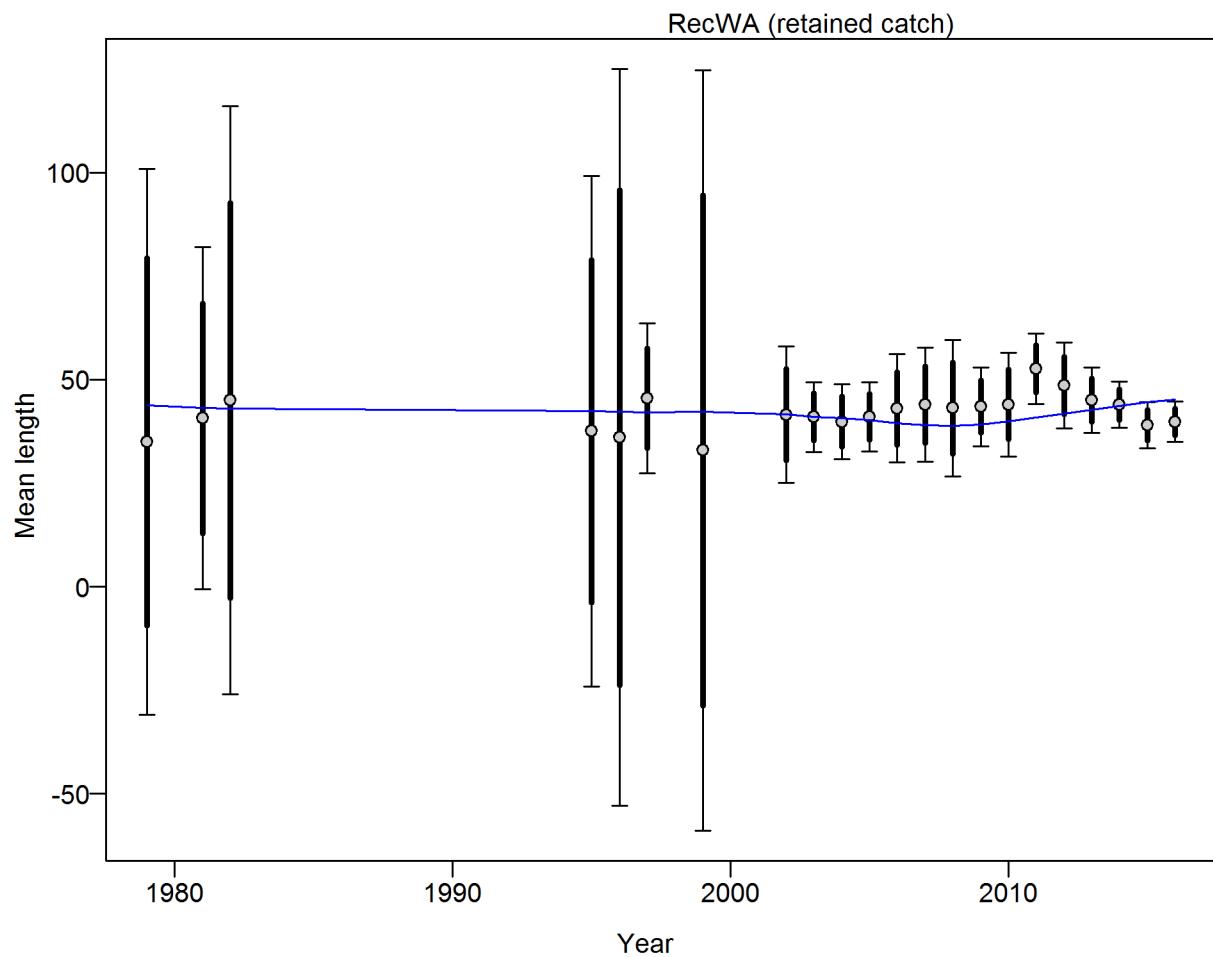


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### Length comps, whole catch, Triennial

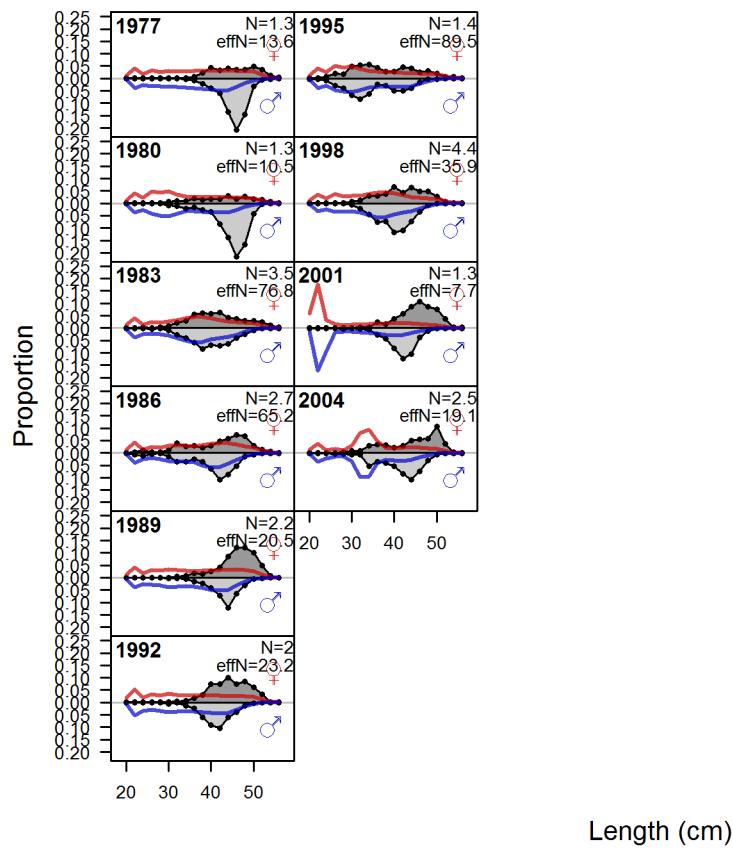


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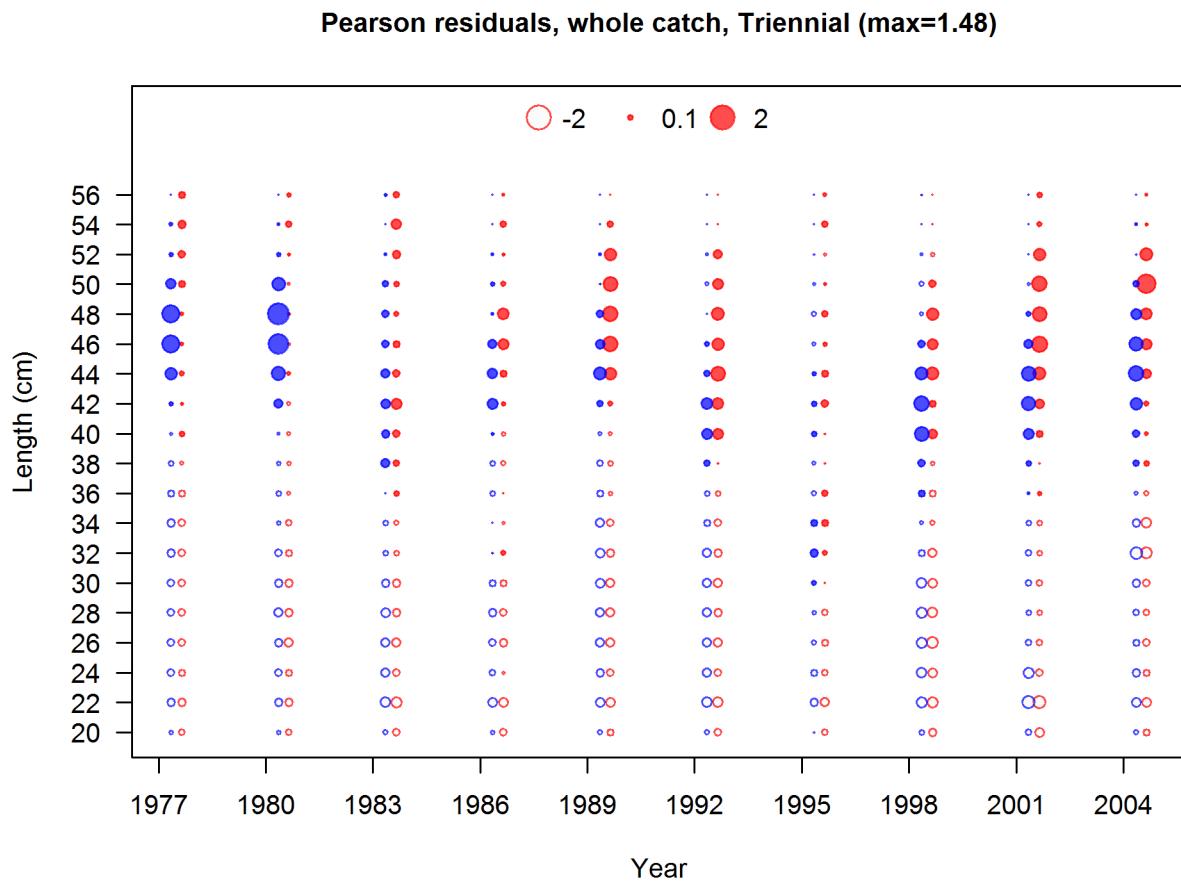


Figure 24: Pearson residuals, whole catch, Triennial (max=1.48)  
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N-EffN comparison, Length comps, whole catch, Triennial

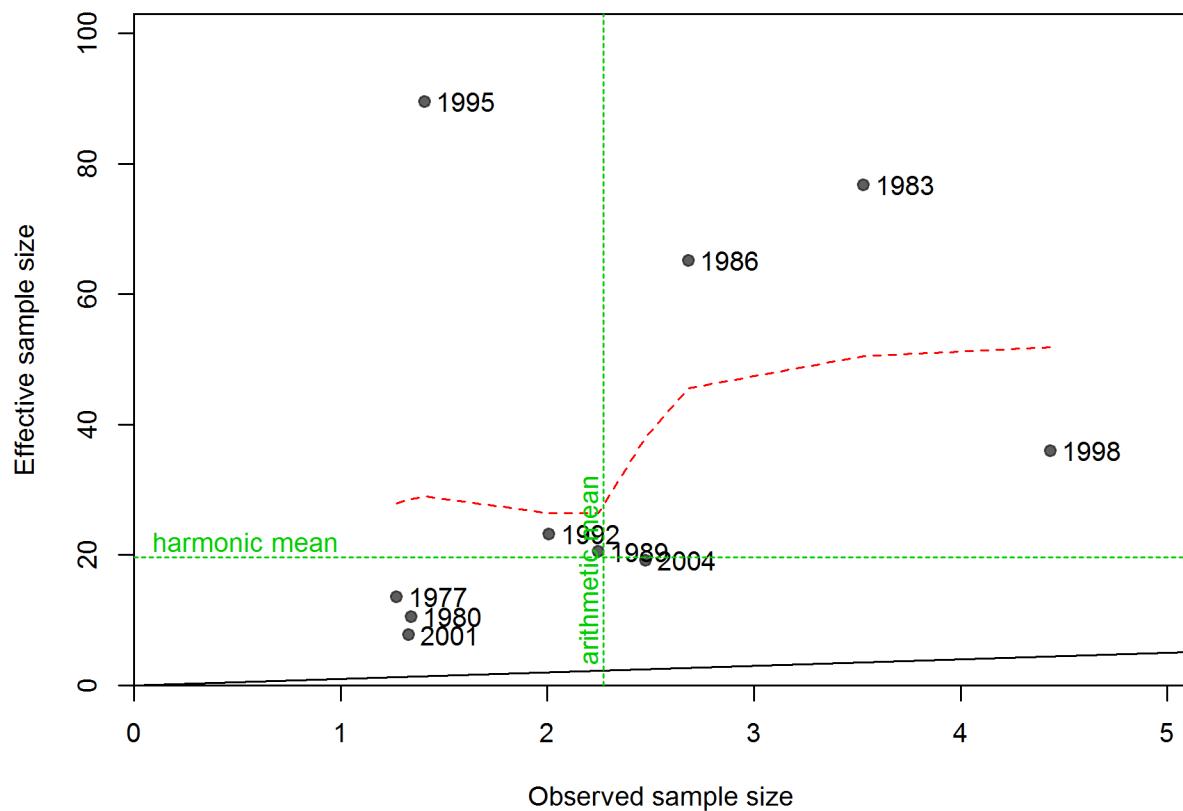


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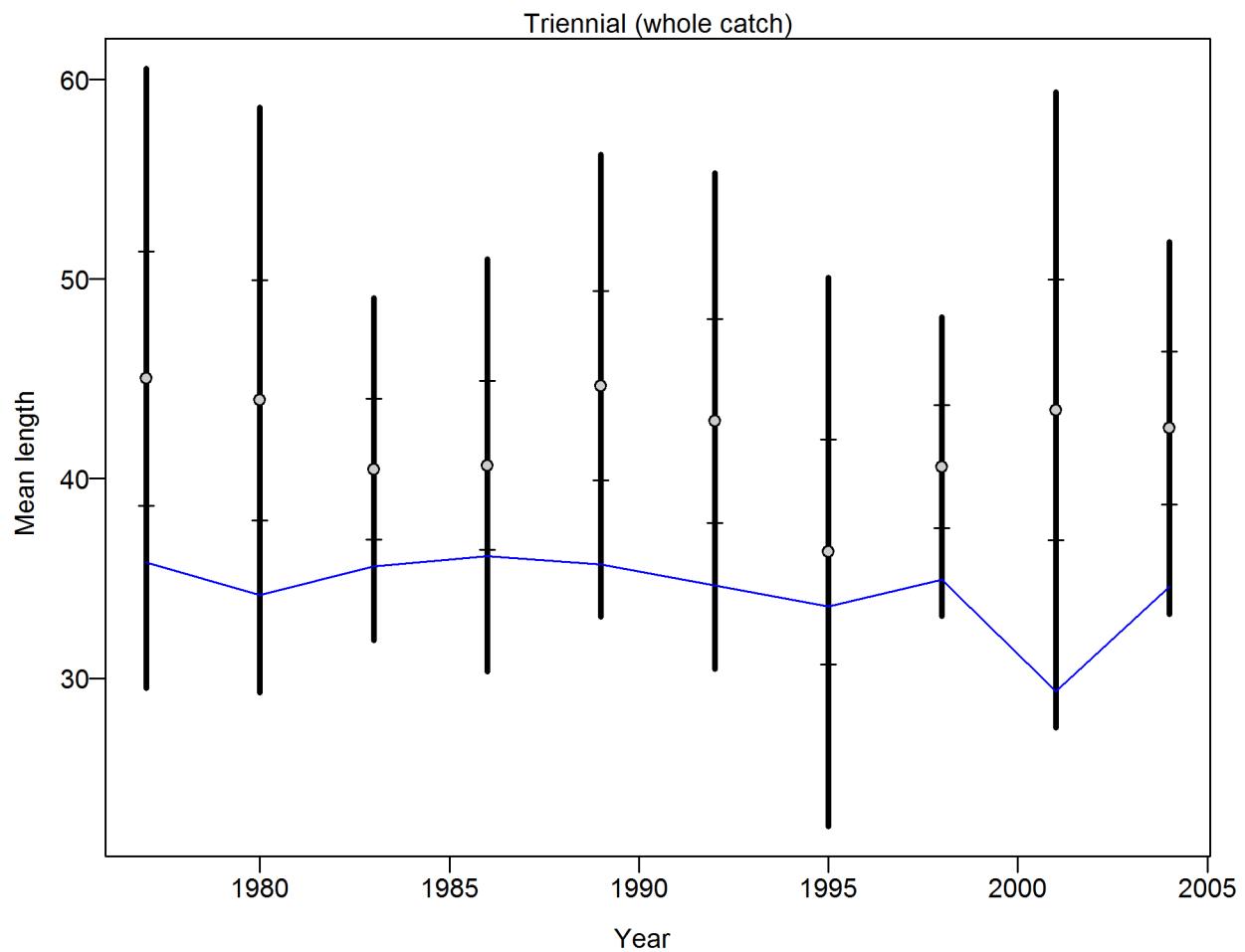


Figure 26: Francis data weighting method TA1.8: Triennial Suggested sample size adjustment (with 95% interval) for len data from Triennial: 5.9358 (3.3554\_26.8895) For more info, see Francis, R.I.C.C. (2011). Data weighting in statistical fisheries stock assessment models. [Can. J. Fish. Aquat. Sci. 68: 1124\\_1138.](#) | [fig:mod1\\_25\\_comp\\_lenfit\\_data\\_weighting\\_TA1.8\\_Triennial](#)

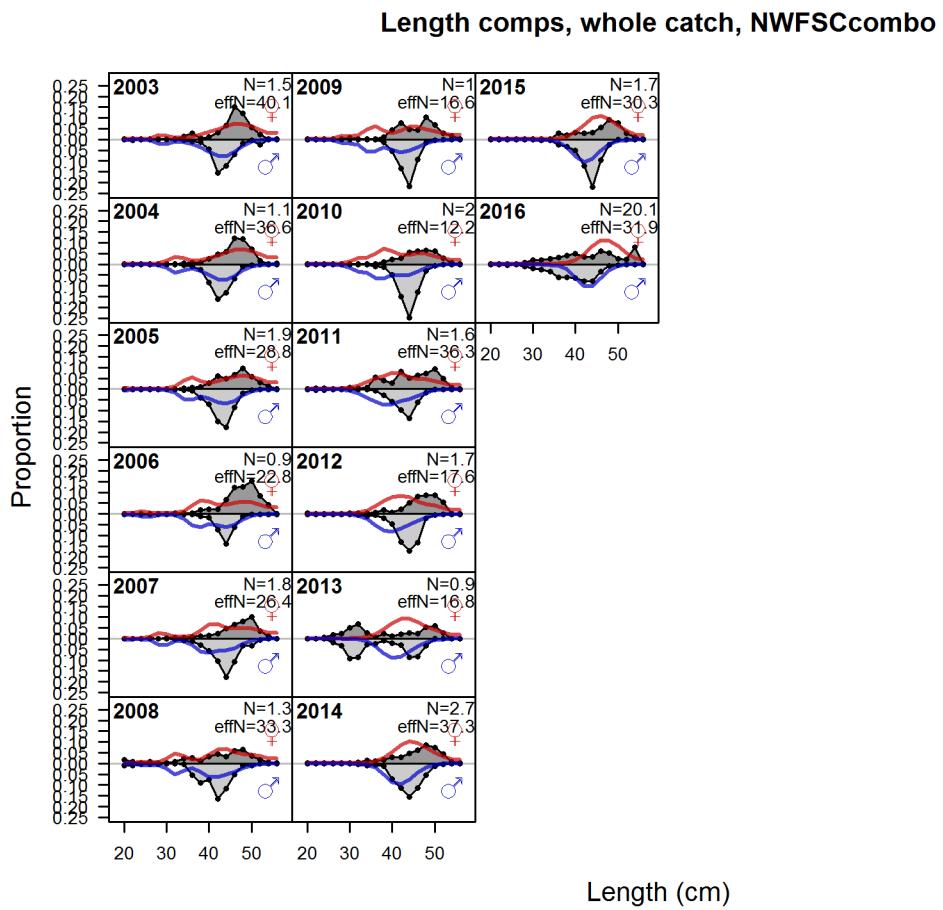


Figure 27: Length comps, whole catch, NWFSCcombo

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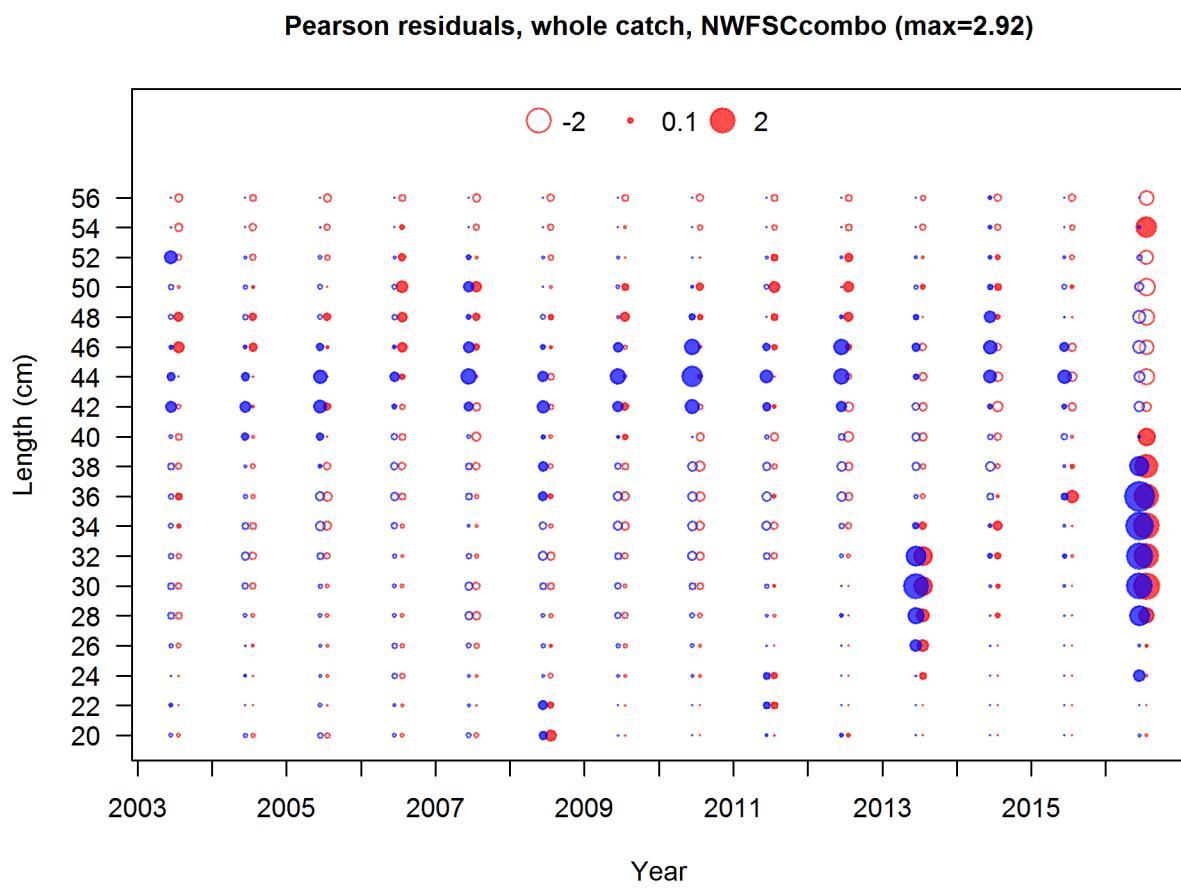


Figure 28: Pearson residuals, whole catch, NWFSCcombo (max=2.92)  
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**N-EffN comparison, Length comps, whole catch, NWFSCcombo**

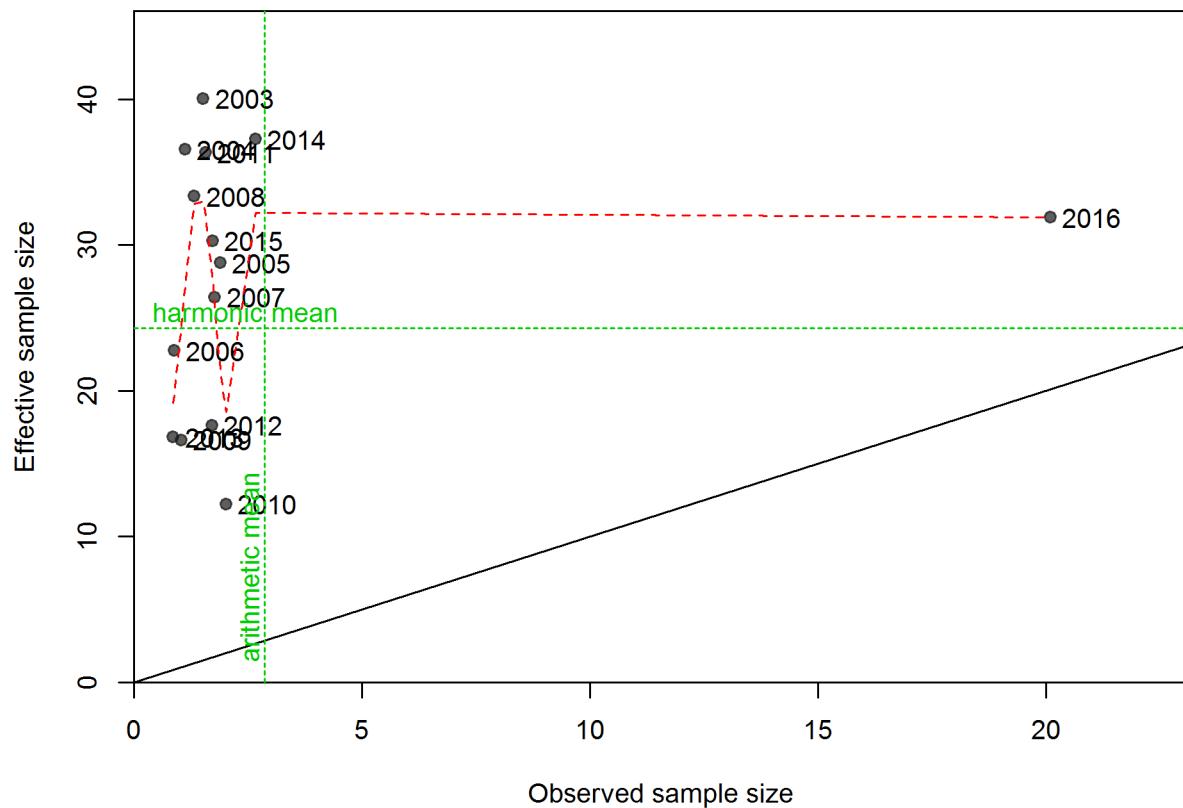


Figure 29: N\_EffN comparison, Length comps, whole catch, NWFSCcombo `fig:mod1_28_comp_len`

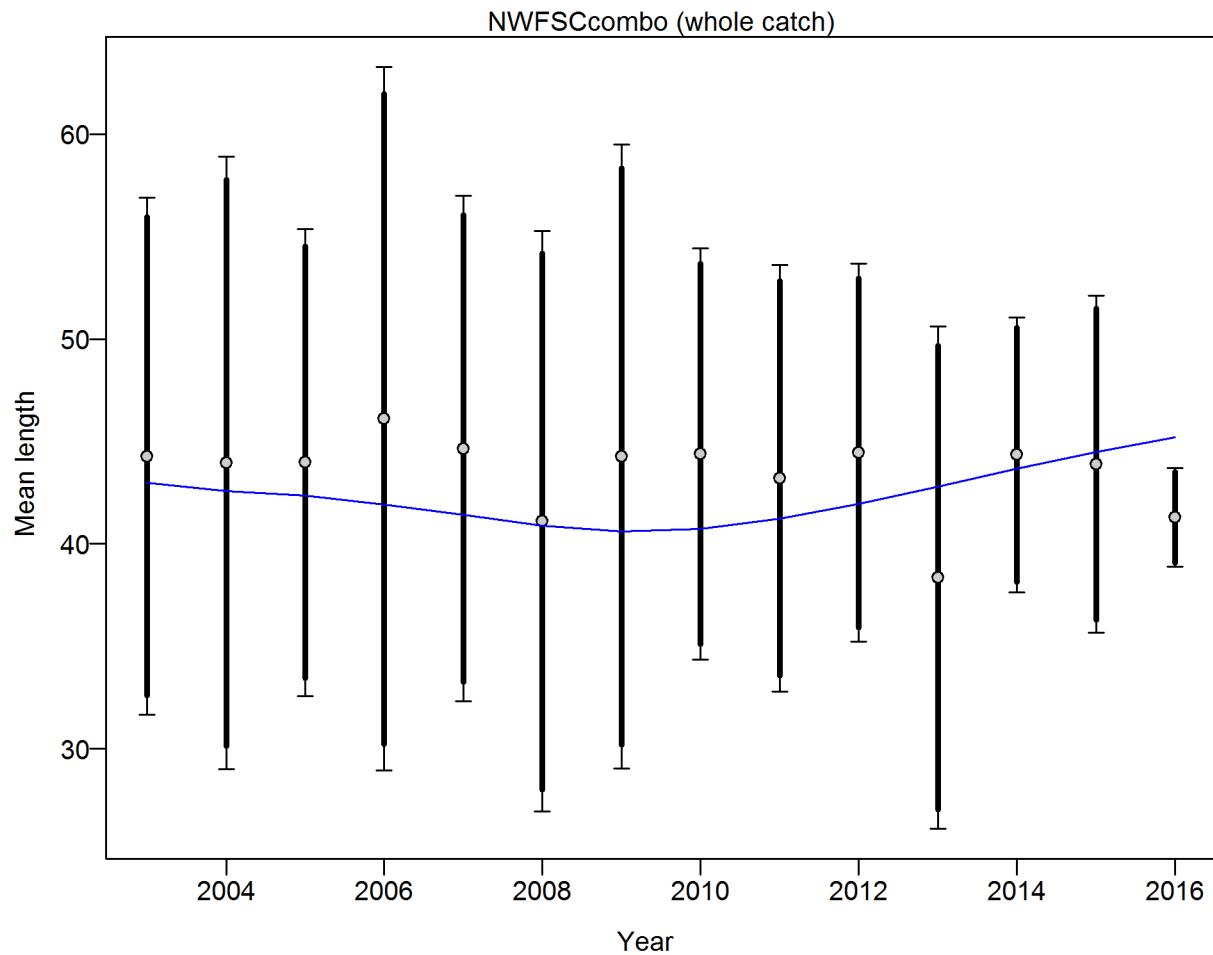


Figure 30: Francis data weighting method TA1.8: NWFSCcombo Suggested sample size adjustment (with 95% interval) for len data from NWFSCcombo: 0.8537 (0.3546\_21.6187)  
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### Length comps, aggregated across time by fleet

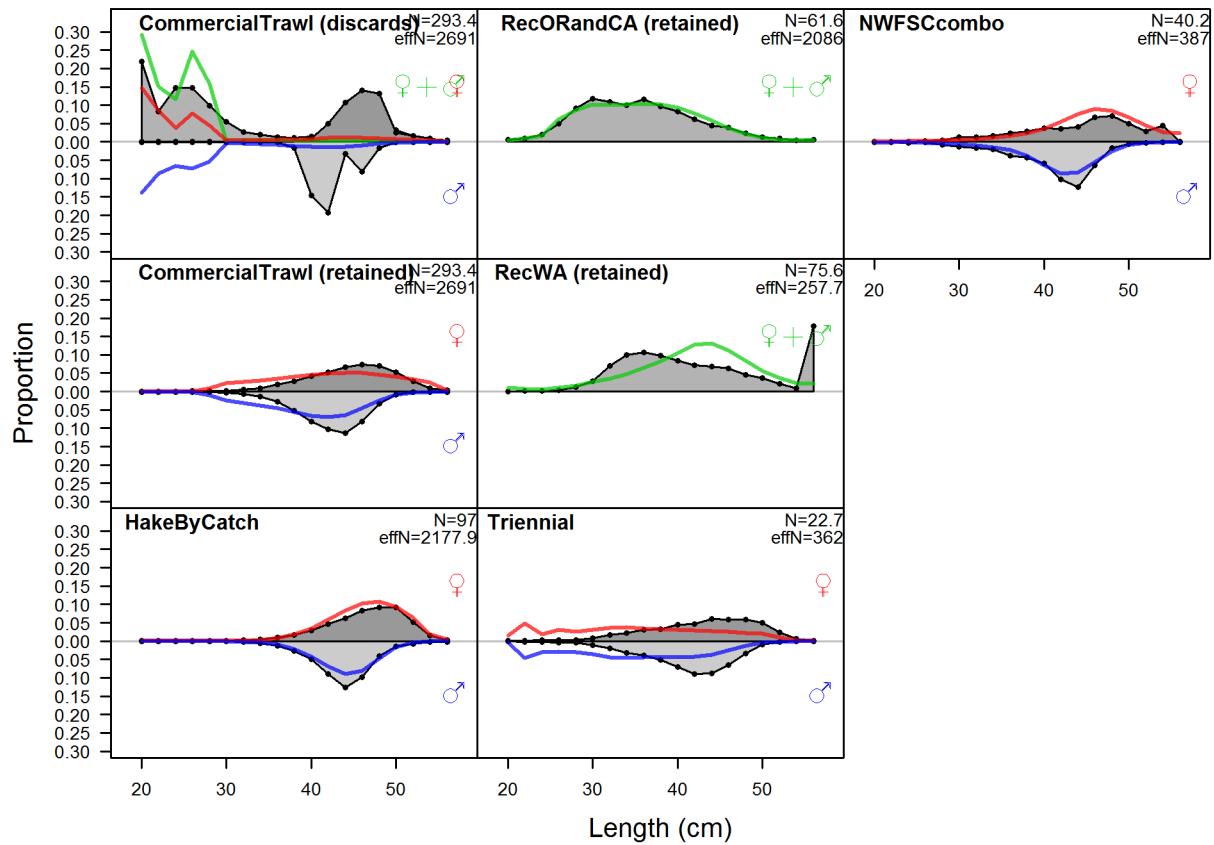


Figure 31: Length comps, aggregated across time by fleet. Labels ‘retained’ and ‘discard’ indicate discarded or retained sampled for each fleet. Panels without this designation represent the whole catch. [fig:mod1\\_30\\_comp\\_lenfit\\_aggregated\\_across\\_time](#)

### Pearson residuals, sexes combined, discard, comparing across fleets

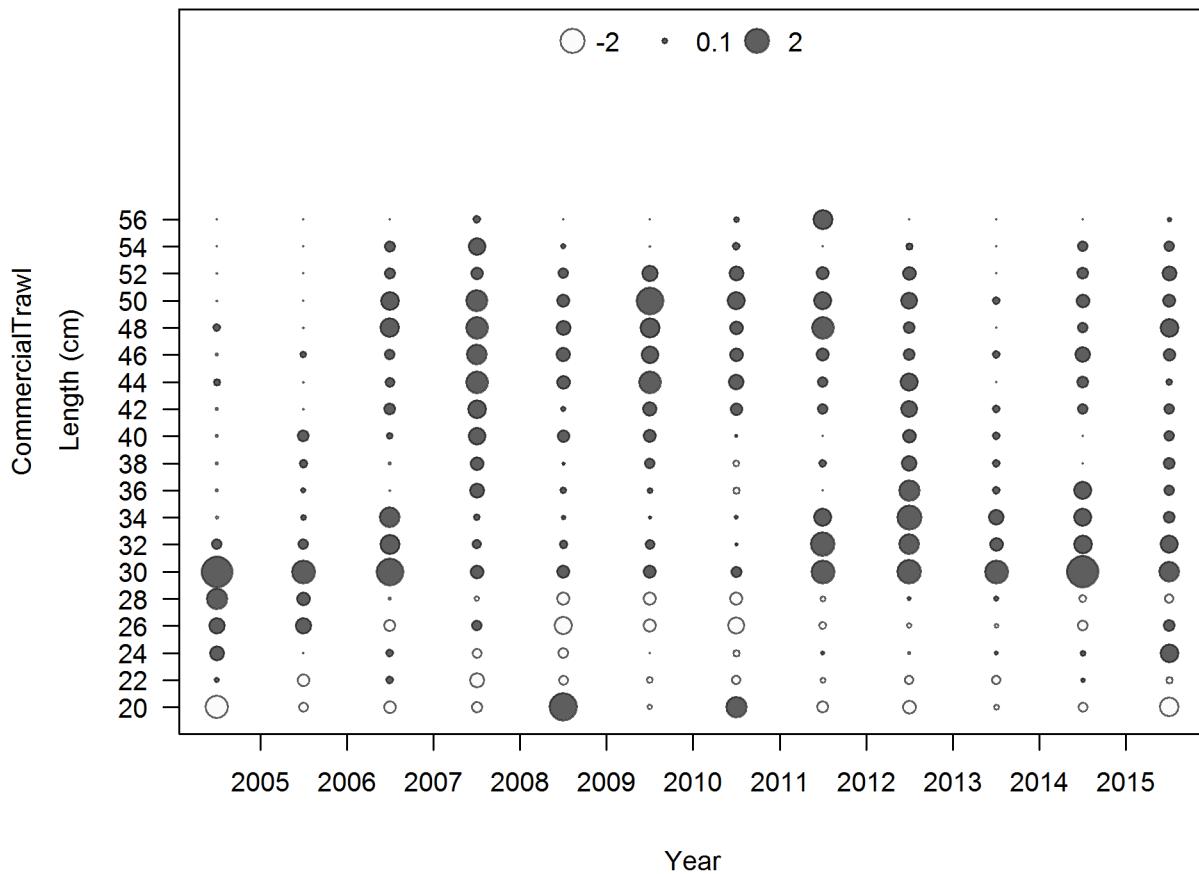


Figure 32: Note: this plot doesn't seem to be working right for some models. Pearson residuals, sexes combined, discard, comparing across fleets  
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### Pearson residuals, sexes combined, retained, comparing across fleets

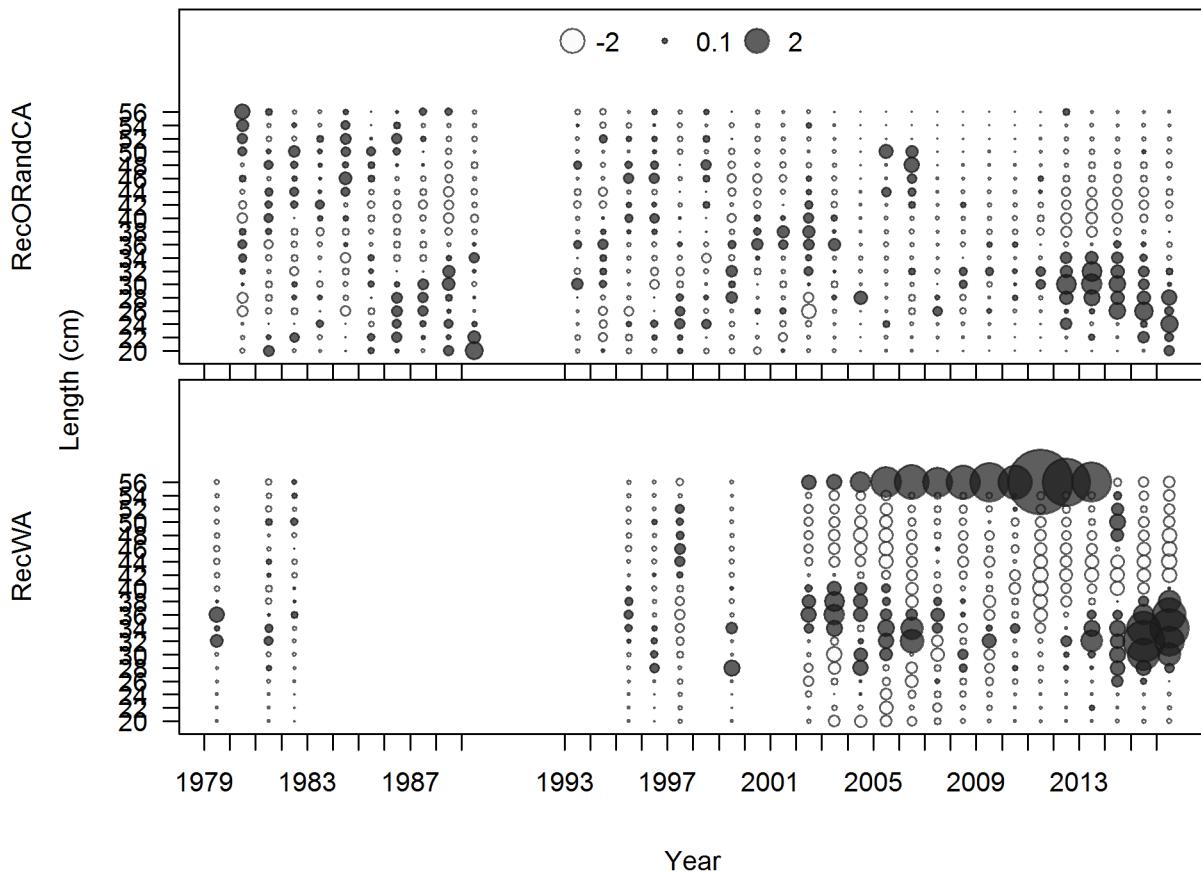


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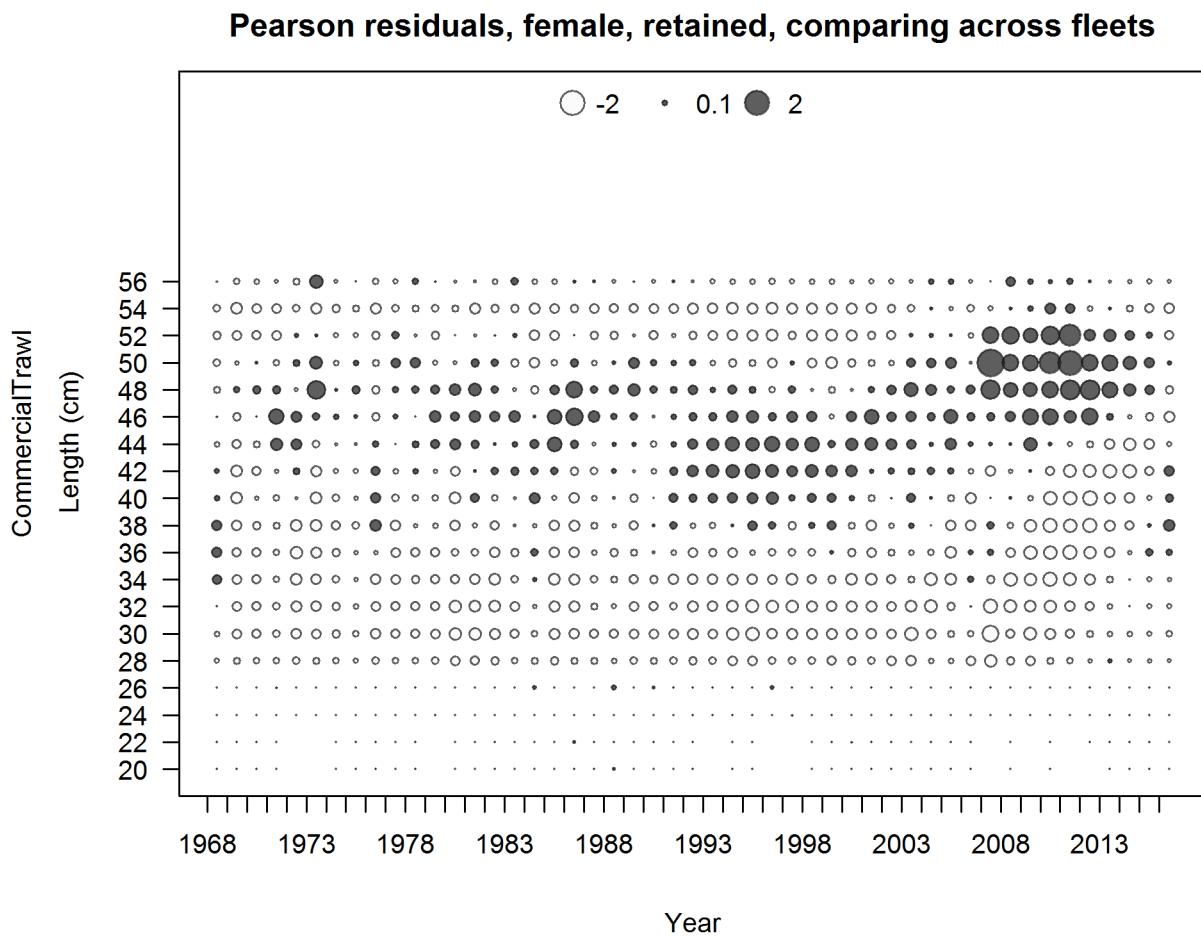


Figure 34: Note: this plot doesn't seem to be working right for some models. Pearson residuals, female, retained, comparing across fleets  
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### Pearson residuals, female, discard, comparing across fleets

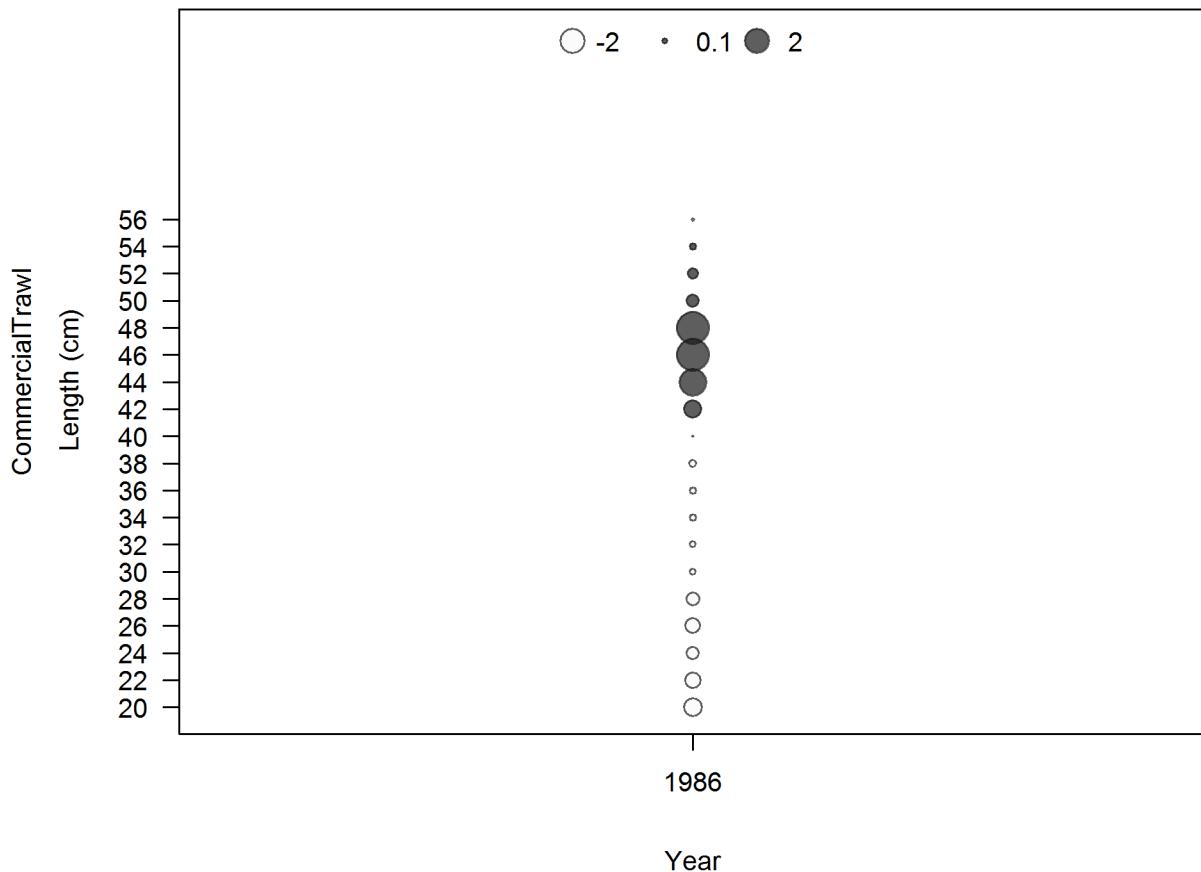


Figure 35: Note: this plot doesn't seem to be working right for some models. Pearson residuals, female, discard, comparing across fleets

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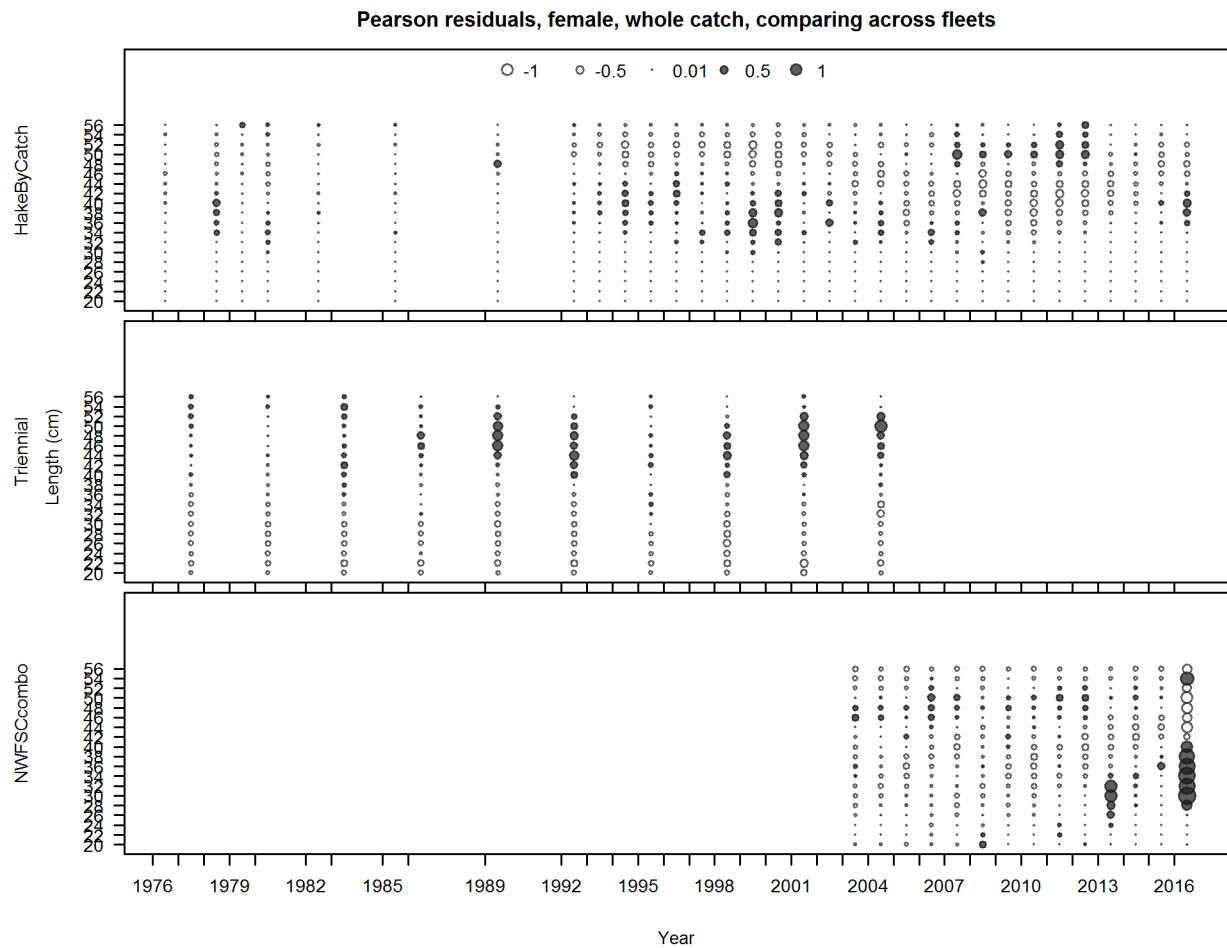


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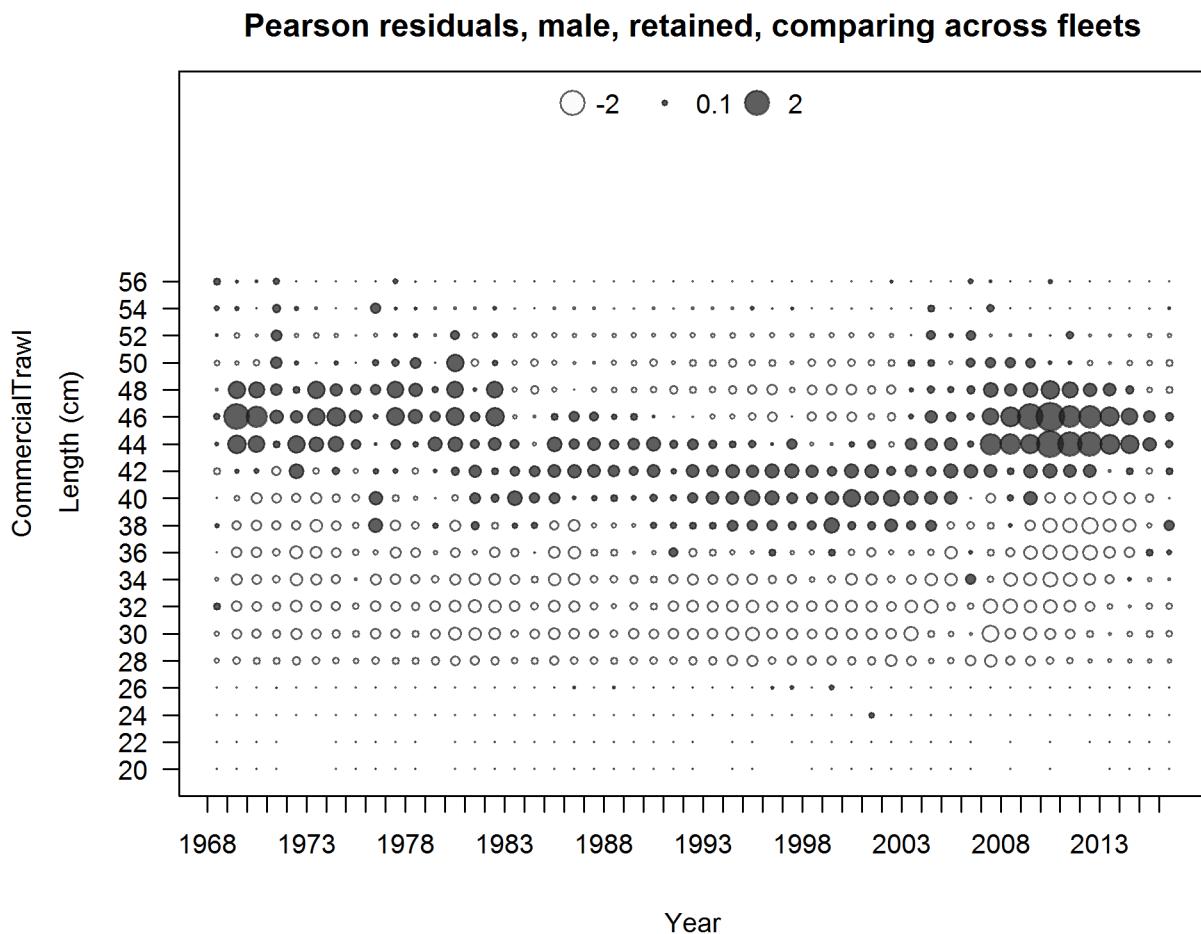


Figure 37: Note: this plot doesn't seem to be working right for some models. Pearson residuals, male, retained, comparing across fleets  
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### Pearson residuals, male, discard, comparing across fleets

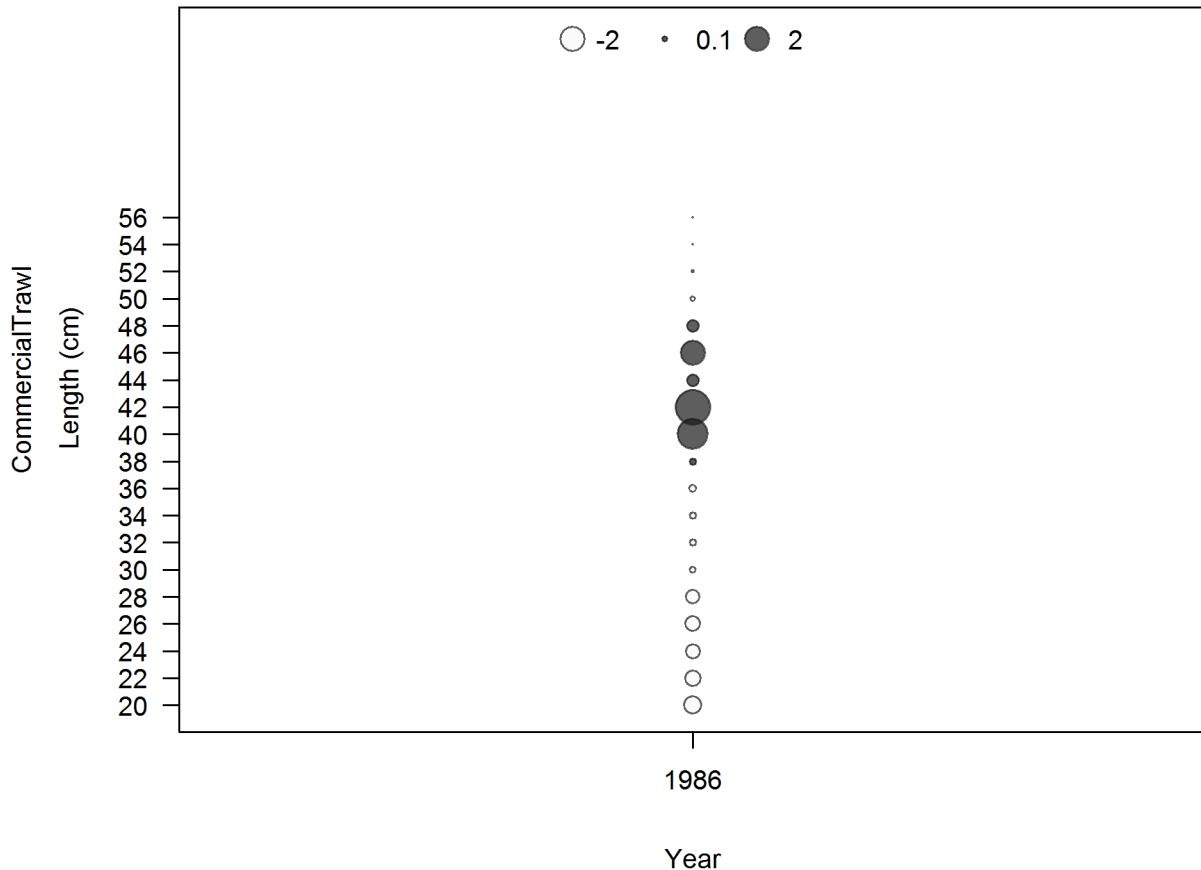


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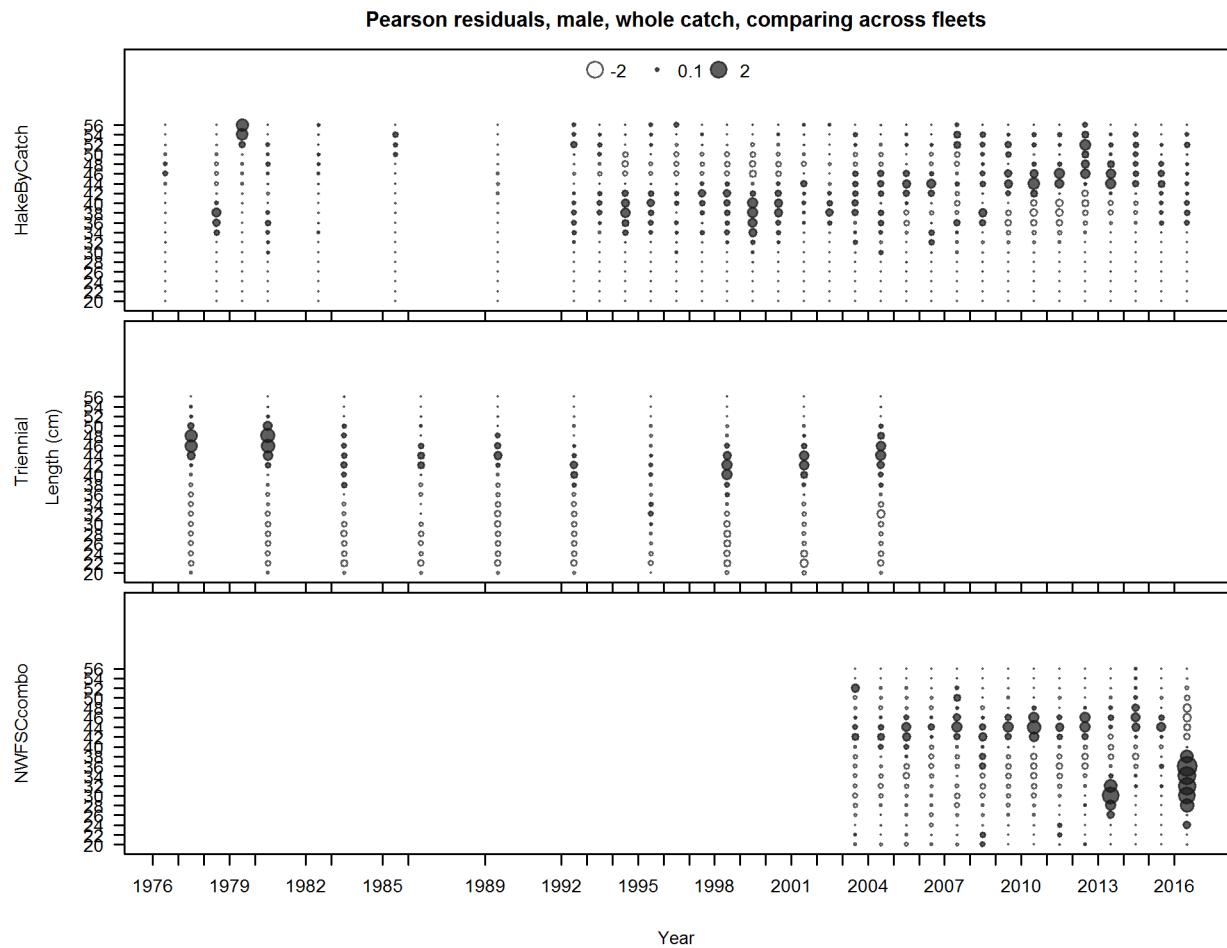


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**Ghost length comps, retained, CommercialTrawl**

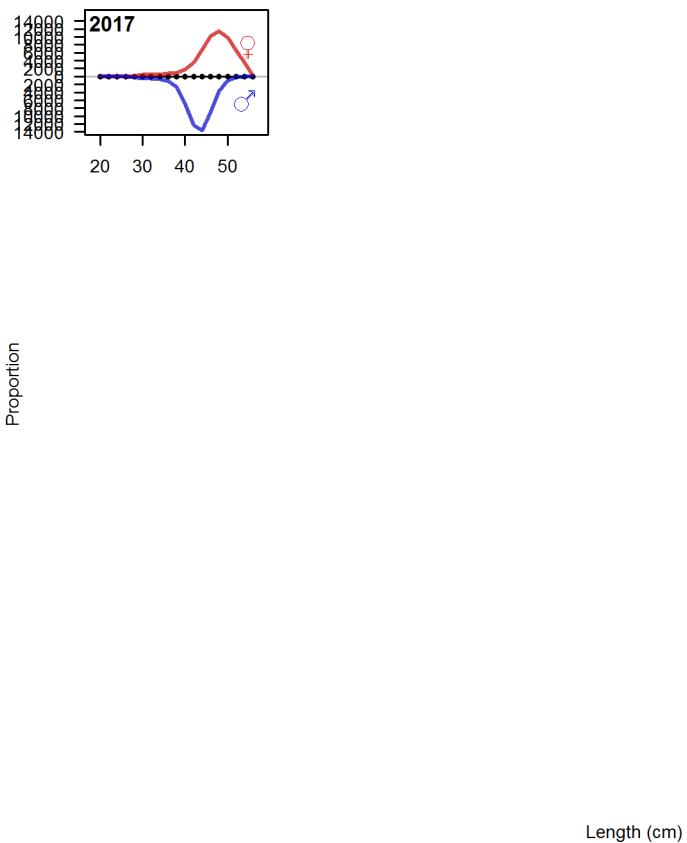


Figure 40: Ghost length comps, retained, CommercialTrawl `fig:mod1_39_comp_gstlenfit`

Figure 41: Pearson residuals, retained, CommercialTrawl (max=NA)  
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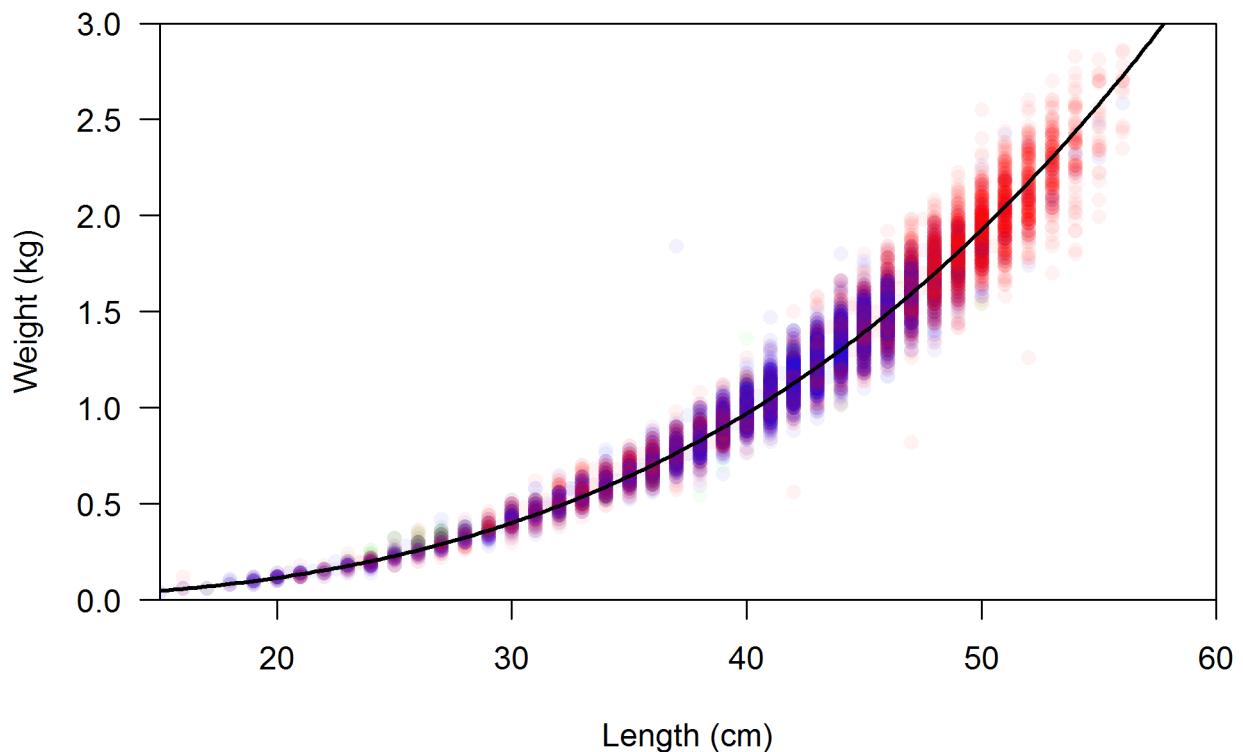


Figure 42: Estimated weight-length relationship for Yellowtail Rockfish used in both models. Colored points show observed values (red for females, blue for males, and green for unsexed). The black line indicates the estimated relationship  $W = 0.000011843L^{3.0672}$ .  
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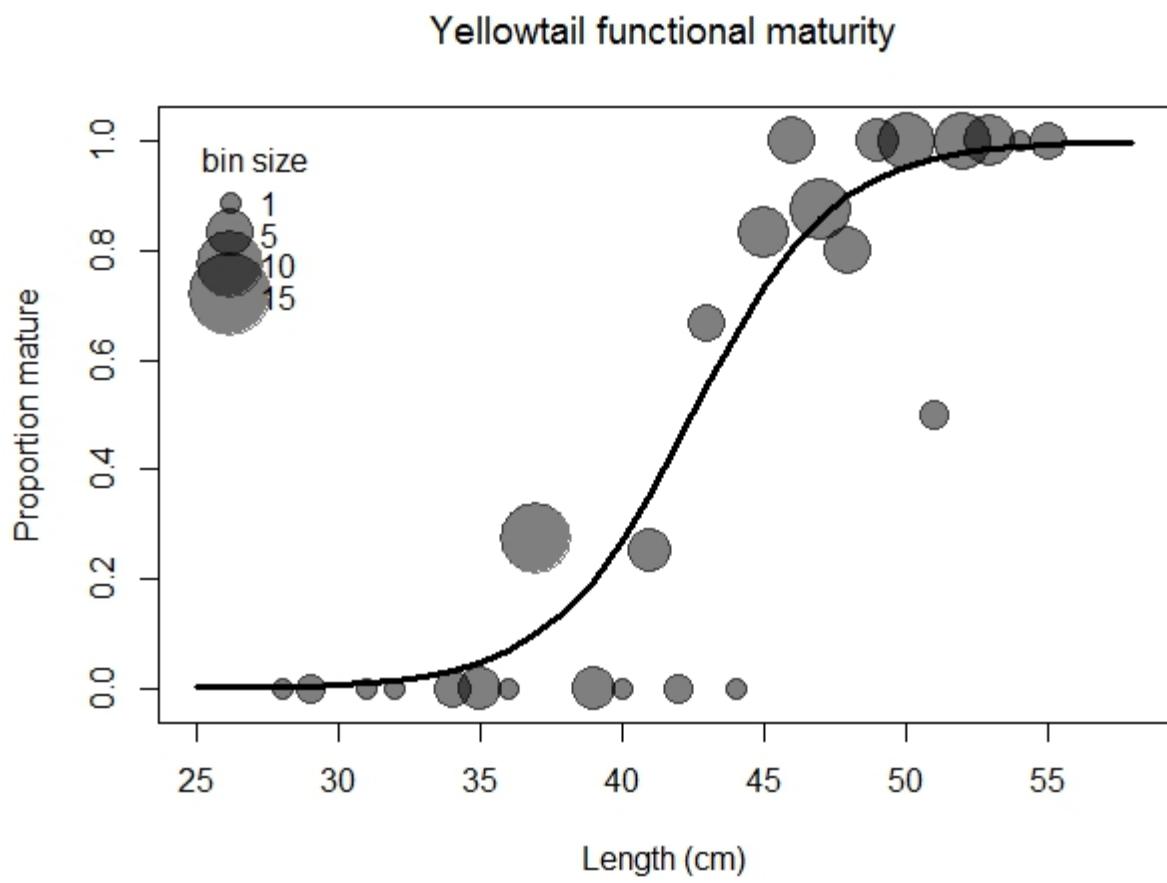


Figure 43: Estimated maturity relationship for Yellowtail Rockfish used in both models. Gray points indicate average observed functional maturity within each length bin with point size proportional to the number of samples.  
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