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Construct Grain-Age Key from Individual Biological Observations

## **Description**

Builds a grain-age key based on individual biological records, specifically total weight (in grams) and age (in years). Samples are classified into commercial grain size classes (approximated by fish/kg), and the function estimates the proportion-at-age and mean weight-at-age within each grain class, by year and quarter.

#### Usage

```
build_grain_key(data_biological)
```

#### **Arguments**

data\_biological

A data frame with individual-level biological data, including: **operation\_date** Sampling date (format: YYYY-MM-DD) **edad** Age of the individual (integer; typically 0–3) **ptot\_g** Total individual weight in grams (numeric)

#### **Details**

The method uses the inverse of the average weight to estimate the number of individuals per kilogram ("Grain"), which is then assigned to predefined grain size classes. For each class, it computes:

- Proportion of individuals per age group (grain\_key)
- Mean individual weight per age group (weight\_key)

## Value

A list with:

grain\_key Proportion-at-age by grain class, year, and quarter
weight\_key Mean weight-at-age by grain class, year, and quarter
long\_data Merged long-format data frame with intermediate variables
data Processed input data
N\_by\_age Number of individuals by age
W\_by\_age Mean weight by age
grain\_data Grain values and classes
pct\_by\_age Proportions at age
weighted\_pct Weighted proportions
long\_pct Long-format proportion data
long\_weighted Long-format weighted proportion data
long\_n Long-format number at age
long\_weight Long-format mean weight at age
merged Merged long-format output

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calc_catch_by_age	Calculate Number of Fish Caught by Age	

## **Description**

Estimates the number of fish caught by age class using a grain-age key (either in wide or long format) and a table of total numbers caught per grain class.

## Usage

```
calc_catch_by_age(grain_key, grain_catch)
```

#### **Arguments**

grain\_key A data frame with either wide-format columns (Age-0, Age-1, ...) or long-

format columns (age, proportion).

grain\_catch A data frame output from calc\_grain\_catch, containing total number of fish

by year, quarter, and Grain\_class.

#### Value

A data frame with number of fish caught by age, grain class, quarter, and year.

## Description

Estimates the number of anchovies caught per commercial grain size class and quarter, based on landed weight and assumed units per kilogram. Optionally allows reassignment of "TALLA 1" to another commercial size class to adjust for inconsistent pricing behavior.

# Usage

```
calc_grain_catch(data, reassign = TRUE, talla1_to = "TALLA 2")
```

#### **Arguments**

data A data frame with columns:

**FECHA\_VENTA** Date of sale (format: YYYY-MM-DD) **TALLA** Commercial size class (e.g. "TALLA 1" to "TALLA 4")

TOTAL\_KILOS Landed weight in kilograms

TOTAL\_EUROS Total value in euros

reassign Logical. If TRUE, reassigns "TALLA 1" to another class.
talla1\_to Character. New commercial size class to assign to "TALLA 1".

## Value

A data frame with estimated total kilograms, number of fish, and mean weight (in grams) by year, quarter, and Grain\_class.

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Database

Simulated biological dataset

# Description

Example dataset of individuals with age and total weight, used for building a grain-age key.

## Usage

```
data(Database)
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 3 columns:

```
operation_date Date of sampling (class Date)edad Age of the individual (integer)ptot_g Total weight in grams (numeric)
```

data\_NV

commercial landings data (simulated)

# Description

A simulated dataset representing commercial landings by grain size class.

# Usage

```
data(data_NV)
```

## **Format**

A data frame with 4 columns:

**FECHA\_VENTA** Date of sale (class Date)

TALLA Commercial grain size (factor or character)

TOTAL\_EUROS Total value in euros (numeric)

TOTAL\_KILOS Total landed weight in kilograms (numeric)

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Plot Number of Fish Caught by Age and Grain Class

# Description

Creates a bar plot of the number of anchovies caught by age and grain class, grouped by year and quarter, using the output from calc\_catch\_by\_age.

#### Usage

```
plot_catch_by_age(catch_by_age)
```

## **Arguments**

catch\_by\_age

A data frame containing columns:

- year: Year of catch (numeric)
- quarter: Quarter of catch (numeric)
- age: Age of individuals (integer or factor)
- num\_at\_age: Estimated number of fish caught at age
- Grain\_class: Commercial grain class

#### Value

A ggplot2 object: a facetted bar plot by year and quarter

plot\_grain\_catch

Plot Number of Fish by Grain Class and Quarter

## **Description**

Generates a bar plot of the estimated number of anchovies caught per grain class and quarter, using the output from calc\_grain\_catch. Grain classes are automatically ordered based on their labels (e.g., "31-50", "51-83").

#### Usage

```
plot_grain_catch(grain_data)
```

# **Arguments**

grain\_data

A data frame with columns:

- year: Year of catch (numeric)
- quarter: Quarter of catch (numeric)
- Grain\_class: Commercial grain class (character)
- num\_total: Estimated total number of fish caught

## Value

A ggplot2 bar plot (facetted by year-quarter)

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plot_grain_key	Plot Grain Age Key	

# Description

Visualizes either the proportion-at-age or the mean weight-at-age by grain class, year, and quarter, using the output of build\_grain\_key.

# Usage

```
plot_grain_key(grain_key, plot_type = "percentage")
```

# Arguments

grain_key	A list returned by build_grain_key(), containing at least: grain_key (proportion-at-age) and weight_key (mean weight-at-age).
plot_type	Character string indicating which type of plot to return. Options:
	"percentage" Plot proportion-at-age (default)
	"mean_weight" Plot mean weight-at-age

# Value

A ggplot2 object showing grain-age distribution or mean weight.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
results <- build_grain_key(data_bio)
plot_grain_key(results, plot_type = "percentage")
plot_grain_key(results, plot_type = "mean_weight")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```