

**Stock assessment update of blackgill rockfish,  
*Sebastes melanostomus*,  
in the Conception and Monterey INPFC areas for 2017**

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## B. Executive Summary

### B.1 Stock

This update assessment reports the status of blackgill rockfish (*Sebastes melanostomus*) for the Conception and Monterey INPFC areas, using data from 1950 through 2016. The resource is modeled as a single stock. Although the distribution of blackgill rockfish extends north to at least Canadian waters and south into Mexican waters, the species becomes rare north of Cape Mendocino, CA, and data from Mexican waters are unavailable.

### B.2 Catches

Historical catches of blackgill rockfish were largely made in southern California (south of Point Conception), where the species is the target of both directed and incidental catches from fixed gear (hook and line, and historically, gillnet). In recent years, a greater fraction of the total catch has come from central California waters, in fixed gear (hook and line, pot and trap, historically setnet) and trawl fisheries. Catch estimates from 2010 through 2015 were based on NWFSC total mortality reports and area/gear landings from the California Cooperative Groundfish Survey (CalCOM) database. Catches for 2016 were based on CalCOM catch estimates and averaged discard rates for the 2010-2015 period by fishery. Fleets in this model are identical to the 2011 model, including southern California fixed gear, central California fixed gear, and central California trawl.

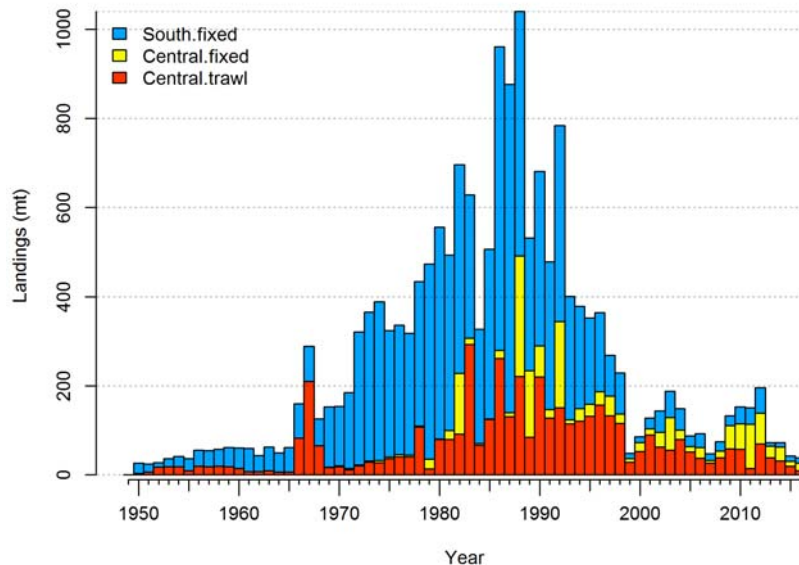


Figure B.1: Estimated catches by fleet from 1950-2016

Table B1: Recent commercial catches (mt, including discards) by fleet

	south fixed	central fixed	central trawl	total
2007	14.6	6.2	34.3	55.1
2008	20.2	17.3	41.7	79.2
2009	22.9	53	60.9	136.8
2010	37.5	57.3	57.5	152.3
2011	37.0	99.1	14.1	150.2
2012	56.6	69.4	69.4	195.4
2013	7.5	26.4	38.1	72
2014	9.9	31.1	31.8	72.8
2015	12.9	10.9	19.0	42.8
2016	12.4	17.5	8.8	38.7

### ***B.3 Data and Assessment***

This update assessment uses the Stock Synthesis 3 (SS3, version 3.24u) integrated length and age structured model, and includes both length frequency and conditional length-at-age data from all three commercial fisheries. The basic structure (fleets, estimated parameters) is unchanged from the 2011 model; the only new parameter is from a selectivity time block added to the trawl fishery to account for full retention of blackgill rockfish in that fishery following implementation of the trawl fishery rationalization program. The updated model does incorporate new life history data (maturity and fecundity) developed and published since the 2011 assessment, and nearly 2000 new age observations from the NWFSC bottom trawl survey to inform growth (estimated internally). The model also includes new length composition data from 2010-2016 for all three fisheries (southern fixed gear, central CA fixed gear and central CA trawl), as well extends the NWFSC shelf and slope survey index from 2010 through 2016, including associated length and age data. The base model uses the updated rockfish steepness prior (Thorson 2016) for rockfish of 0.718 (versus 0.76 in the 2011). The estimated natural mortality rates of 0.063 (females) and 0.065 (males) are unchanged from the 2011 assessment, and model results are highly sensitive to the assumed values for M. As in the 2011 model, recruitment is assumed to be deterministic.

### ***B.4 Stock biomass***

The assessment uses a size-dependent fecundity relationship, and the model suggests that the spawning output of blackgill rockfish was at high levels in the mid-1970s; began to decline steeply in the late 1970s through the 1980s (consistent with the rapid development and growth of the targeted fishery); and reached a low point of approximately 20% of the unfished level in the mid-1990s. Since that time, catches have declined sharply and spawning output has increased, such that the current estimated larval production is nearly to the target level of 40% of the unfished larval output.

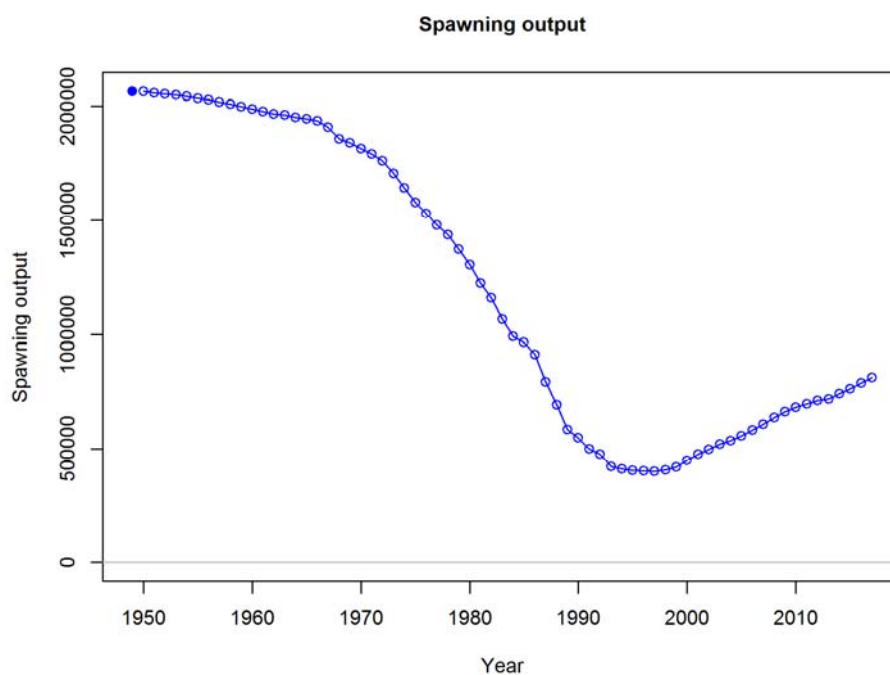


Figure B.2: Estimated spawning output (millions of larvae) from the base model

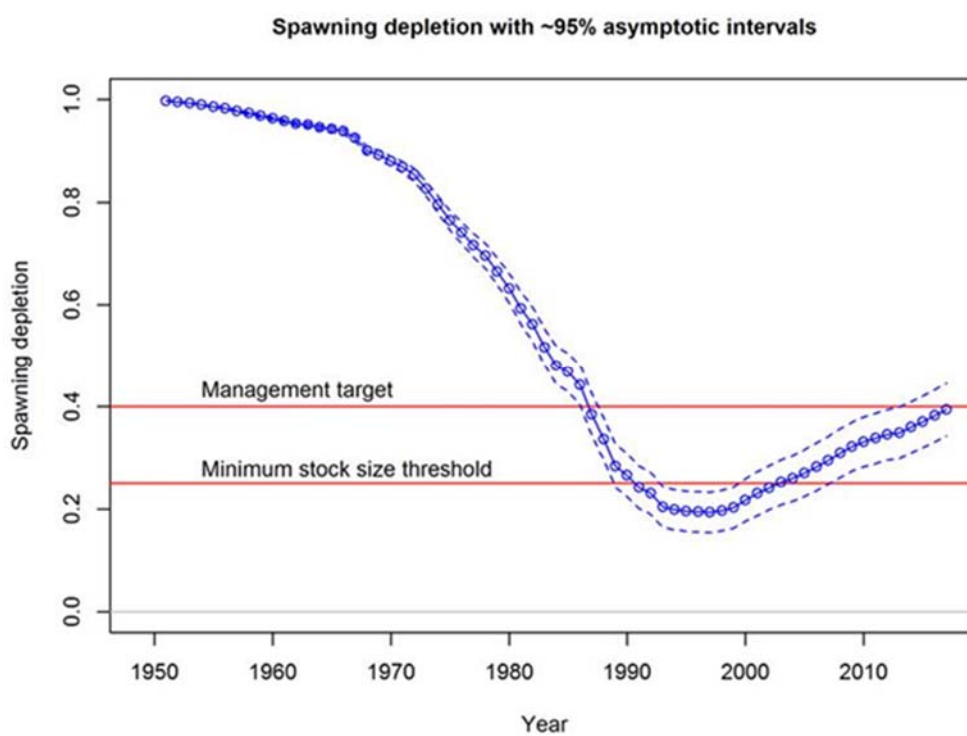


Figure B.3: Estimated relative depletion from the base model

Table B.2: Recent trends in blackgill rockfish spawning output, recruitment and depletion

	Summary Biomass	Larval prod ( $\times 10^9$ )	Depletion	Recruit ( $\times 10^3$ )
2008	7409	637	0.309	2124
2009	7461	663	0.321	2138
2010	7492	682	0.330	2150
2011	7521	697	0.338	2161
2012	7505	711	0.345	2167
2013	7596	720	0.349	2182
2014	7684	742	0.360	2197
2015	7796	763	0.370	2212
2016	7910	788	0.382	2227
2017	7917	812	0.394	2232

## B.5 Recruitment

In the assessment, the Beverton-Holt model was used to describe the stock-recruitment relationship. The log of the unexploited recruitment level was treated as an estimated parameter; recruits were taken deterministically from the stock-recruit curve. Recruitment deviations were not estimated, as the lack of obvious cohorts in either age or length data and the high degree of ageing uncertainty make plausible estimates unlikely. The estimated recruitment is projected to be at relatively high levels due to the fixed value of steepness.

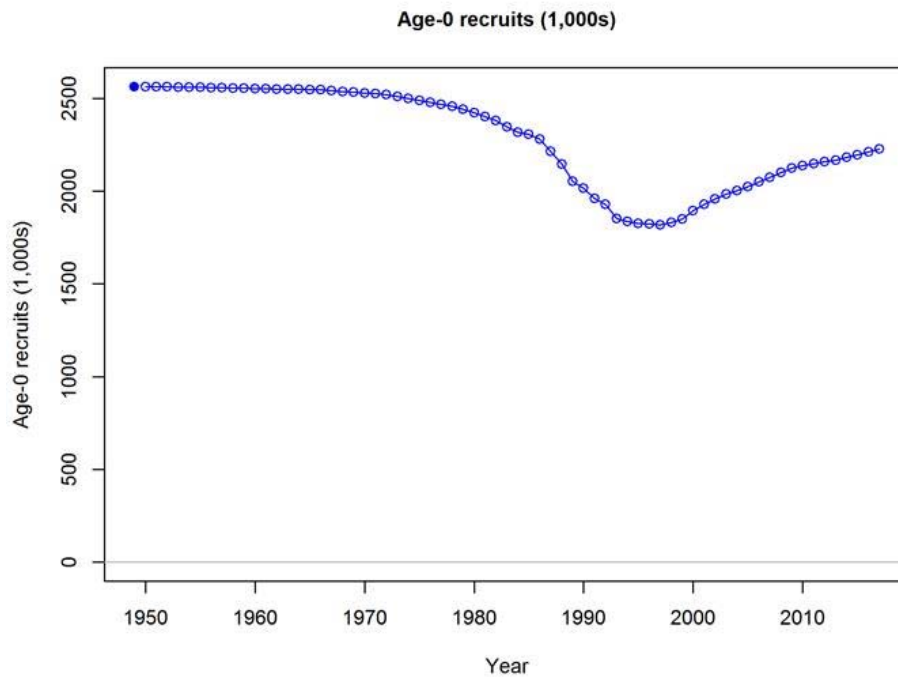


Figure B.4: Estimates of recruitment based on deterministic S/R relationship

## B.6 Exploitation Status

The base model estimates that the spawning potential ratio (SPR) was below the current target (of 50% of the unfished level) from the late 1970s through the 1990s, and in several years of the 2000s. However, average SPR rates have been near or above target levels since the very late 1990s, corresponding to an apparent increase in stock abundance. Over the past four years, SPR rates have ranged between 0.70 and 0.82, corresponding to roughly half of the overfishing limit SPR (0.50). The exploitation rates reported here reflect catch divided by the summary (age 1+) biomass.

Table B.3: Recent catches, estimated SPR and relative exploitation rates

	<i>Catches</i>	<i>Summary Biomass</i>	<i>SPR</i>	<i>Exploitation rate</i>
2008	74	7409	0.677	0.010
2009	133	7461	0.531	0.018
2010	152	7492	0.498	0.020
2011	150	7521	0.503	0.020
2012	195	7505	0.432	0.026
2013	72	7596	0.701	0.009
2014	73	7684	0.702	0.009
2015	43	7796	0.810	0.005
2016	39	7910	0.827	0.005
2017	n/a	7917	n/a	n/a

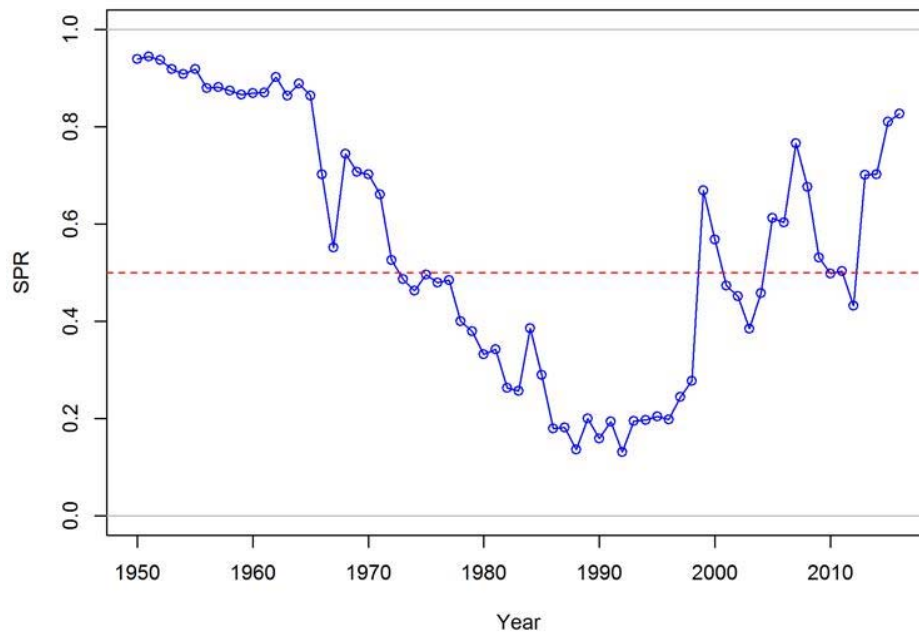


Figure B.5: Time series of estimated SPR rate for the base case model.



## B.7 Ecosystem Considerations

Blackgill rockfish are among the most deeply distributed of all of the California Current *Sebastes*, living at the edge of the low oxygen (hypoxic) conditions that characterize the slope waters of the California Current. As a shoaling (expansion into shallower waters) of this low oxygen habitat has already been observed in the California Current, and is predicted to be a likely or plausible response to future climate change, this species could be vulnerable to climate induced changes in distribution and productivity in the future. Key predators for this stock include sablefish and shortspine thornyheads, which have themselves undergone shifts in abundance in response to fishing, potentially altering predation mortality. However, neither of these ecosystem considerations are explicitly accounted for in this stock assessment.

## B.8 Reference Points

The unfished larval production was estimated to be 2.064 trillion larvae, corresponding to a total (summary, age 1+) biomass of 14,187 tons (within a model estimated range of 13,313 to 15,061 tons). The overfishing limit is 25% of the unfished spawning output, and the estimated spawning output is well above that level at the current time. The target stock size of 40% of the unfished level is associated with a summary biomass of 8037 tons and a yield of 188 tons (relative to 192 in the 2011 assessment, and considerably greater than recent catches). It should be emphasized that this biomass estimate is inclusive of immature fish and mature fish too small to be vulnerable to current fisheries. Estimated maximum yields vary relatively modestly (across a range of 31 tons) over the SSB<sub>40%</sub>, SPR<sub>50%</sub> and MSY estimates.

Table B4: Key reference points for blackgill rockfish

95% Confidence Limits

Unfished Stock	Estimate	Lower	Upper
Summary (1+) Biomass (tons)	14187	13313	15061
Spawning Output (billions larvae)	2064	1812	2316
Equilibrium recruitment (1000s)	2564	2394	2733

Yield reference Points

	SSB <sub>40%</sub>	SPR <sub>50%</sub>	MSY est.
SPR	0.459	0.500	0.314
Exploitation rate	0.025	0.022	0.044
Yield	188	178	209
Spawning output	826	919	493
Summary biomass	8037	8590	5815
SSB/SSB <sub>0</sub>	0.400	0.446	0.239

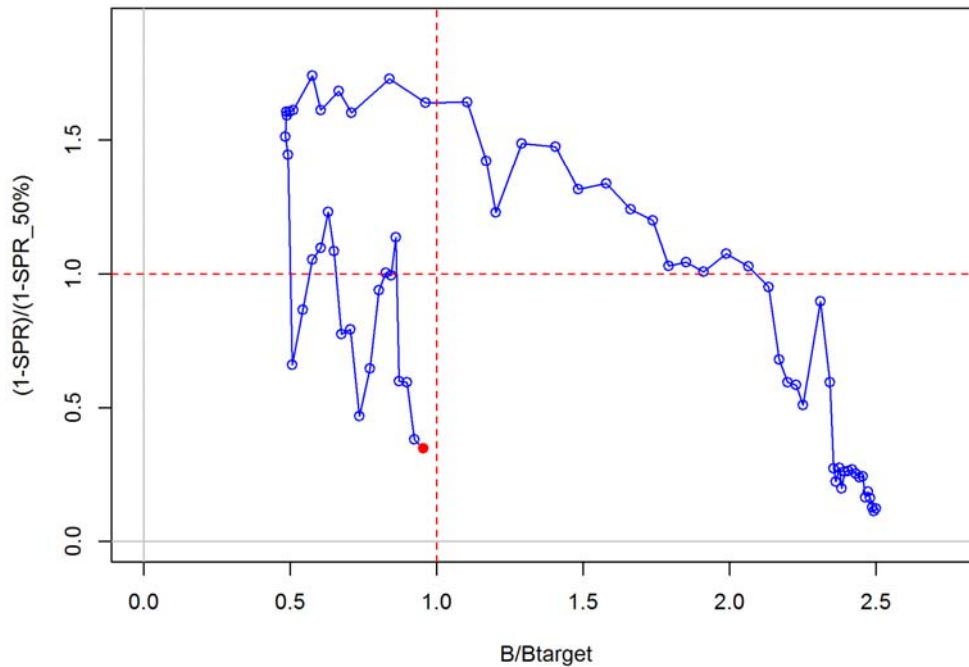


Figure B.6: Phase plot of relative depletion against estimated SPR rate (red point represents the end year of 2016).

## B.8 Management performance

Estimated total catches (landings plus discards estimated by the West Coast Groundfish Observer Program) have been well below ACL and OFL levels for the past decade, typically less than 50% of the adopted levels.

Table B.5: Recent catches relative to OFL (ABC) and ACL (OY) targets for recent years.

	Catch	ACL	ABC	OFL	% of ABC	% of OFL
2008	74	292	292	292	0.25	0.25
2009	132.7	282	282	282	0.47	0.47
2010	152.3	282	282	282	0.54	0.54
2011	150.3	279	282	282	0.53	0.53
2012	195.4	275	282	282	0.69	0.69
2013	72	113.8	118.7	130	0.6	0.55
2014	72.8	117.2	122.3	134	0.59	0.54
2015	42.8	120.2	125.1	137	0.34	0.31
2016	38.7	123	127.8	140	0.3	0.27
2017			130.6	143		
2018			133	146		

## ***B.9 Unresolved problems and major uncertainties***

This assessment is not as data rich as an age structured model would ideally be. Catch data are generally reliable for most of the time period, although there is significant uncertainty in catch data prior to the late 1970s and early 1980s as species composition data are unavailable and the fishery was undergoing a spatial expansion into deeper and more offshore waters. Ageing is very difficult for this species, which appears to have highly variable size at age, as well as apparent regional differences in growth rates and potentially other life history traits. There is some suggestion in the diagnostics of differences in age estimates between fish aged for the 2011 assessment and those aged for this update. The growing time series for the NWFSC bottom trawl survey is increasingly important to assess population trends, however the lack of survey effort in the Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCAs) presents current and future challenges to interpretation of both fishery and survey data. Recruitment is not estimated in the current model, although survey data for recent years suggest possible recent pulses in recruitment.

## ***B.10 Forecast of model results and decision table***

The base model was projected forward 12 years, with catches in the first two years (2017-2018) based on the currently adopted ACLs and subsequent harvests based on either status quo harvests, the base model ABC removal projections, or the OFL harvest rates. No 40:10 adjustment is applied given that the stock is projected to be above 40% of the unfished larval production by 2019. As in the 2011 assessment, the natural mortality rate is considered to be the greatest source of uncertainty for this stock, and scenarios designed to bracket uncertainty (alternative states of nature) were based on the standard deviations from a prior on natural mortality (M) used in the 2011 assessment. The base model values for the natural mortality rate are 0.063 and 0.065 for females and males, respectively. The low M values used in the decision table are 0.046 and 0.048 for females and males, respectively, while the high M values are 0.086 and 0.089.

Table B.6: Base model projected ABC and OFL values, assuming ABC attainment

	ABC	OFL
2017	131	
2018	133	
2019	159	174
2020	159	174
2021	159	174
2022	159	174
2023	159	174
2024	159	173
2025	158	173
2026	158	173
2027	158	173
2028	158	173

Table B.7: Decision Table, based on status quo (2014-2016) catches and alternative assumptions on natural mortality rates.

status quo catches		Low M model		Base model		High M model	
		Sp.out	depletion	Sp.out	depletion	Sp.out	depletion
2017	131	613	0.28	812	0.39	1060	0.55
2018	133	622	0.28	824	0.40	1072	0.56
2019	51	630	0.28	835	0.40	1083	0.56
2020	51	648	0.29	855	0.41	1103	0.58
2021	51	665	0.30	875	0.42	1122	0.59
2022	51	683	0.31	895	0.43	1141	0.59
2023	51	700	0.31	914	0.44	1159	0.60
2024	51	716	0.32	933	0.45	1176	0.61
2025	51	733	0.33	951	0.46	1193	0.62
2026	51	749	0.34	969	0.47	1209	0.63
2027	51	764	0.34	986	0.48	1225	0.64
2028	51	780	0.35	1003	0.49	1240	0.65

ABC catches		Low M model		Base model		High M model	
		Sp.out	depletion	Sp.out	depletion	Sp.out	depletion
2017	131	613	0.28	812	0.39	1060	0.55
2018	133	622	0.28	824	0.40	1072	0.56
2019	159	630	0.28	835	0.40	1083	0.56
2020	159	633	0.28	841	0.41	1089	0.57
2021	159	635	0.29	846	0.41	1094	0.57
2022	159	637	0.29	850	0.41	1099	0.57
2023	159	638	0.29	854	0.41	1103	0.58
2024	159	638	0.29	857	0.42	1107	0.58
2025	158	638	0.29	860	0.42	1110	0.58
2026	158	637	0.29	862	0.42	1113	0.58
2027	158	636	0.29	864	0.42	1116	0.58
2028	158	635	0.28	866	0.42	1118	0.58

OFL catches		Low M model		Base model		High M model	
		Sp.out	depletion	Sp.out	depletion	Sp.out	depletion
2017	131	613	0.28	813	0.39	1060	0.55
2018	133	622	0.28	824	0.40	1072	0.56
2019	174	630	0.28	835	0.40	1083	0.56
2020	174	631	0.28	839	0.41	1087	0.57
2021	173	631	0.28	842	0.41	1090	0.57
2022	173	631	0.28	844	0.41	1093	0.57
2023	172	629	0.28	846	0.41	1096	0.57
2024	172	628	0.28	847	0.41	1098	0.57
2025	171	625	0.28	848	0.41	1099	0.57
2026	171	623	0.28	848	0.41	1101	0.57
2027	170	620	0.28	848	0.41	1102	0.57
2028	170	617	0.28	848	0.41	1103	0.58

## ***B.11 Research and Data needs***

Age estimates are highly uncertain, and this species has proven very difficult to age. There is some indication of aging bias between ages developed for the 2011 assessment and for this update, despite the fact that they were aged by the same reader, using the same criteria. Conducting cross reads with other laboratories, as well as additional age validation, are important factors for future efforts.

Histology studies have shown that this species is slow to mature and often undergoes abortive maturation, particularly at younger ages (smaller sizes), complicating maturity estimates. There also appear to be latitudinal clines in growth, maturity and potentially other life history parameters that are not accounted for in the model.

Despite considerable investment in catch reconstruction efforts, historical catches remain uncertain for this stock due to the lack of historical species composition data and spatial patterns of fishery development in California waters. Efforts to analyze spatially explicit historical catch data have indicated that fisheries for this and other rockfish species tended to fish deeper waters, further offshore, in more inclement weather over time, suggesting that historical catches of this deeply distributed species that are derived from species compositions from later in the time series may be overestimated.

A large fraction of blackgill rockfish habitat is currently closed to both fishing and survey effort in the Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCAs), complicating efforts to interpret both catch and survey data. Alternative means of exploring relative or absolute abundance in this region is a key research priority.

Greater investigation into the likely or plausible consequences of a shoaling of the oxygen minimum zone (OMZ) on blackgill rockfish habitat will aid in evaluating threats to this species that may be posed by global climate change.

## **C. Introduction**

### **C.1 Range, distribution and stock structure**

This assessment reports the status of blackgill rockfish (*Sebastes melanostomus*) for the Conception and Monterey INPFC areas (Figure 1), using data from 1950 through 2016. The resource is modeled as a single stock. Readers are referred to the 2011 stock assessment for more complete reviews of these factors, which are discussed briefly here.

Blackgill rockfish (*Sebastes melanostomus*), also known at times as blackmouth rockfish or deepsea rockfish, range from at least central Vancouver Island to central Baja California (Love et al. 2002). However, the species is relatively uncommon north of Cape Mendocino and occurs in the greatest densities in the Southern California Bight (SCB). The name very accurately describes the most identifying characteristic of adult blackgill rockfish, in that they have black pigmentation on the rear edge of their gill cover, as well as in the fold above the upper jaw and inside of the mouth. It is a medium-sized (to about 62 cm maximum length) and deep bodied species. Additional descriptions and meristics can be found in Love et al. (2002) for adults and Moser (1996) for larvae and juveniles.

The CalCOFI Ichthyoplankton survey has been used recently to explore indices of relative abundance for several rockfish species for which larvae cannot be morphologically identified to species by using genetic methods (Thompson et al. 2016), however in their initial efforts, catches of blackgill rockfish have been too sparse to be informative. There is at least some potential to consider relative abundance indices of age-0 juveniles from the Southwest Fishery Science Center's Rockfish Recruitment and Ecosystem Assessment Survey in the future, as blackgill rockfish young-of-the-year are frequently encountered in the southern range of the now coastwide survey, although given the very slow growth and difficulty in ageing of blackgill rockfish it is unlikely improved understandings of high frequency variation in year class strength will be of substantial near term benefit to the model.

### **C.2 Fisheries off Mexico, Canada or Alaska**

Abundance south of the U.S./Mexico border is uncertain, but there appear to be substantial numbers and catches of blackgill rockfish in many areas, and pelagic juveniles have been found as far south as Punta Abreojos, in southern Baja California (Moser and Ahlstrom 1978). However, there have not been assessments or targeted research on this stock in Mexican waters. Landings outside of the assessment area in Oregon and Washington waters are very low, and although the species ranges up to Vancouver Island, it is very rare and has not been subject to assessments or focused research. The stock does not extend in range to Alaskan waters.

### **C.3 Life history and ecosystem interactions**

Blackgill rockfish are a slope species, and are generally rare in waters less than 100 meters and most abundant in waters between 300 and 500 meters depth. Adults are usually

associated with high relief rocky outcrops, canyons or deep rock pinnacles, although fishermen often report taking them in midwater (Kronman 1999, Love et al. 2002, J. Butler and K. Stierhoff, SWFSC, unpublished data). This species has among the deepest distribution of all of the California Current *Sebastes*, living at the edge of the low oxygen (hypoxic) conditions that characterize the slope waters of the California Current. As a shoaling of this low oxygen habitat has already been observed in the California Current (Bograd et al. 2008, Gilly et al. 2013), and is predicted to be a likely or plausible response to future climate change, this species could be vulnerable to climate induced changes in distribution and productivity in the future.

#### **C.4 History of the fishery and summary of management actions**

Blackgill rockfish have historically represented a minor part of California rockfish landings north of Point Conception, but a substantial fraction of landings occur south of Conception. Based on consultations with fishery participants, Butler et al. (1998) and Kronman (1999) defined the southern California targeted fishery for blackgill rockfish as being a relatively recent phenomenon. Although longline fishing had long been the primary means of catching rockfish in southern California waters, increased participation and declines in the catches of many highly desired shelf species (such as vermillion and cowcod) contributed to a gradual shift in effort towards deeper and more offshore waters. Additionally, set nets (gillnets) also began to be deployed at a larger scale in southern California in the 1970s and 1980s, often targeting deep reefs for larger rockfish species, including blackgill rockfish. As suggested in Kronman (1999) and demonstrated in Miller et al. (2014), California groundfish fisheries did demonstrate a movement to deeper waters, further from ports and in more inclement weather over time, which could bias historical length composition data if they represent sequential depletion of key fishing grounds.

In 2001 the Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCAs) were established in the southern California Bight, in the region in which a substantial fraction of catches had been achieved for blackgill rockfish (see survey data maps, Figure 5). This management measure has had a tremendous impact on the southern fixed gear fleet that targets blackgill rockfish, as the deep offshore banks and features that characterize the CCAs in deep water are optimal habitat for this species. By contrast, the shelf closures (rockfish conservation areas) implemented to protect rebuilding shelf species (such as bocaccio, canary and widow rockfish) have presumably had a negligible direct effect, as the depths closed in the RCAs do not encompass the depths at which most blackgill rockfish are encountered.

The implementation of the trawl rationalization program in 2011, which resulted in 100% observer coverage and presumably increased retention rates in the fishery, is associated with a decline in trawl fishery discard rates and a shift to the left of size composition data in the trawl fishery.

Historically, blackgill rockfish south of 40°10' N have been managed in the Southern Slope Rockfish complex (or in other aggregations prior to the establishment of that complex). However, as of the 2018 management cycle, blackgill rockfish are managed as

their own stock with their own ACL, ABC and OFL. The ACL for 2018 was based on the ABC, a  $P^* = 0.45$ , and the 40-10 adjustment. Additional details can be found in the biennial management specifications documents produced by the PPMC (<http://www.pccouncil.org/groundfish/current-season-management/>).

## **D. Assessment**

### **D.1 *Life history and data sources***

#### **D.1.a Maturity**

The 2011 assessment included a rigorous effort to compile and develop additional maturity information, and included updated maturity curves. Those studies continued past the 2011 assessment, and resulted in a publication (Lefebvre and Field 2015) that documented the best available information for estimating maturity for this stock. Specifically, the revised maturity curve accounts for the mass atresia (re-absorption) of developing oocytes during periods of "prolonged adolescence" discussed in the 2011 assessment, and documented for many other West Coast slope rockfish species (Nichol and Pikitch 1994, Hannah and Parker 2007).

However, prior to revising the maturity curve, it was noted that the 2011 assessment included an error associated with mis-transcribed units, which was corrected and reported as a sensitivity in the current update assessment. The parameters developed for the 2011 included a size of 50% maturity of 33.0 cm with a corresponding slope parameter of -0.31 (incorrectly entered as -0.031). The revised estimates are for a size of 50% maturity of 33.4 cm with a slope parameter of -0.35. As described in greater detail in Lefebvre and Field (2015), the analysis also demonstrated a fairly clear trend of increasing size at maturity with more northerly latitudes, which in turn indicates that the paucity of maturity data in the Southern California Bight, where most of the historical fishery has taken place, is a non-trivial uncertainty for this model.

#### **D.1.b Fecundity**

The development and analysis of new fecundity information was prioritized for the 2011 stock assessment, for which new estimates were documented and used in the model. Additional collections and analysis continued past 2011, and were ultimately published in 2015 (Beyer et al. 2015). Those parameters (based on the weight-specific fecundity relationship) were used in this model. Note that Dick et al. (2017) in their fecundity meta-analysis did not explicitly model blackgill rockfish to the species level, as the species was not a component of the seven sub-genera that provide the basis for the hierarchical analysis. Thus, the Beyer et al. (2015) fecundity estimates provide the best available fecundity data for this stock.

#### **D.1.c Age estimation**



Blackgill rockfish were first aged by the SWFSC for the 1998 stock assessment (Butler et al. 1999) using thin section analysis. Stevens et al. (2004) also conducted an age study, finding that agreement among the three readers was low, with 24% of the age estimates within one year, 61% within 5 years and 87% within 10 years.<sup>1</sup> Most importantly, Stevens et al. confirmed their age estimates using radiometric analysis, although their results were based on pooled, rather than individual samples due to poor radium recovery. This led to a relatively small sample size (n=14) that was based on average ages and radium levels within a sample. For the 2011 assessment, aging criteria were developed by an experienced ager, and those criteria are described in detail in the 2011 assessment; essentially each otolith was hand cut with a diamond saw and placed in an oven at 500 °F for 30 minutes. As in earlier studies, there is high uncertainty in age estimates, with inconsistent banding patterns among specimens, high compression of increments for older individuals, and frequent and difficult to interpret false growth zones (checks) on many otoliths. New age data for this assessment include nearly 2000 age estimates from recent years (2011-2012, 2014-2015) of the NWFSC combined bottom trawl survey.

#### **D.1.d Growth**

Blackgill rockfish have long been known to be amongst the most slowly growing of the *Sebastes* species, with past von-Bertalanffy growth coefficient (K) values ranging from 0.04 to 0.05 for females and 0.06 to 0.08 for males (Butler et al. 1999, Stevens et al. 2004, Helser 2006). For the 2011 model, and in this update, growth parameters were estimated internally, based on the Schnute formulation for von-Bertalanffy growth, with  $A_{min}$  and  $A_{max}$  (corresponding to the estimated parameters  $L_{min}$  and  $L_{max}$ ) set to 6 and 60. The results are discussed more comprehensively in the results section of the assessment.

#### **D.1.e Natural Mortality**

The 2011 model used point estimates for females and males with a maximum age of 64 of 0.063 and 0.065 respectively, based on priors developed by O. Hamel for the 2011 assessment cycle and described in detail in the 2011 assessment. The natural mortality values used in this update were not updated from those used in the 2011 assessment.

### **D.2 Commercial Landings Data**

Historical catches of blackgill rockfish were largely made in southern California (south of Point Conception), where the species is the target of both directed and incidental catches from fixed gear (hook and line, and historically, gillnet). Historical landings are unchanged from the 2011 assessment update. In recent years, a greater fraction of the total catch has come from central California waters, in both fixed gear (both hook and line as well as pot) and trawl fisheries. Catch estimates from 2010 through 2015 were based on NWFSC total mortality reports and area/gear landings from the California Cooperative Groundfish Survey (CalCOM) database. Specifically, CalCOM estimates were used to provide estimated landings by gear group and region for the fleets defined in this model,

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<sup>1</sup> Note that the 2005 assessment incorrectly suggests that the Steven's et al. (2004) study found 87% among reader agreement, while the study actually reports 87% agreement within ten years.

those were multiplied by the discard rates provided by the West Coast Groundfish observer program, and those values in turn were scaled across all fisheries to provide a matching catch to the WCGOP total mortality reports for blackgill rockfish south of 40° 10'. Thus, the total mortality reports are assumed to be the best available information for total catches, with landings and gear data from CalCOM used to scale those catches to the appropriate regions and fisheries. Neither the 2011 assessment nor this update have attempted to model the discard and retention processes for blackgill rockfish. Figure 2 shows estimated total catches by fleet for the entire assessment period.

## **D.2.a Commercial Length and Age Composition Data**

Length and species composition data first began being collected by port-samplers in the early 1980s; prior to this period there are very few species or length composition data available (although there are some data for 1978 and 1979). Since that time, approximately 40,000 length observations have been collected from the three fisheries described for this model. However, sampling density has been variable over both space and time, and the amount of data collected from monitoring efforts can be variable by region. Only about half of these historical observations have gender associated with the observation, and in particular, for southern California Bight fisheries, gender information (as well as maturity and age structures) was only collected from 1985 through 1990. Since that time, most southern California processors have not allowed port samplers to cut fish in order to determine gender or to remove age structures, as based on California law such sampling is voluntary, rather than mandatory (as it is in Oregon and Washington). Since the period of the last assessment, the frequency of sex observations associated with length frequency observations has also declined in both the central California trawl and fixed gear fisheries as well, with only 10-20% of observations in any given fishery and year having an associated gender observation. Consequently, all new length frequency observations were modeled as mixed gender.

As in the 2011 assessment, the initial effective sample sizes (input  $N$ , or  $N_{\text{eff}}$ ) for commercial, recreational and fishery independent length frequency data were calculated using the approach developed by Stewart (2008) in which:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{eff}} &= N_{\text{hauls}} + 0.138 * N_{\text{fish}} && \text{if } N_{\text{fish}}/N_{\text{hauls}} < 44 \\ N_{\text{eff}} &= 7.06 * N_{\text{hauls}} && \text{if } N_{\text{fish}}/N_{\text{hauls}} \geq 44 \end{aligned}$$

Where fishing trips for recreational data, and hauls for the trawl survey, are considered to be unique sampling events, and the maximum input  $N_{\text{eff}}$  is capped at 400. As described in the 2011 assessment, commercial fishery length composition data were based on raw, rather than expanded, length observations due to an apparent coarsening of the length frequency data when sample sizes were small. The number of port sample clusters and individual length observations, with the associated initial sample size, for commercial fisheries since 2010 are shown in table 5. Age composition data for commercial fisheries were included in the 2011 assessment and have not changed. No new commercial age data have been developed.

### **D.3 Fishery Independent Data**

An abundance index and length composition data from the West Coast triennial trawl survey (limited to the years 1995-2004) were developed for the 2011 assessment and are unchanged in this update. Similarly, the NWFSC slope survey index (1999 through 2002) is unchanged from the 2011 assessment. As in the 2011 assessment, all survey indices were treated as relative abundance indices.

The 2011 assessment used the Combined West Coast Bottom Trawl survey data from 2003-2010, for which the survey sampled the entire Conception and Monterey areas and depth strata. New data from this survey were available from 2011-2016, and those data were used to develop a revised abundance index using the VAST software package developed by Thorson et al. (2015). In comparing the VAST output to the delta-GLMM output (as well as to the design-based estimates) there were modest differences (Figure 3), although the model is generally insensitive to these differences. The Q/Q plot for the VAST model is also shown (Figure 4); other standard diagnostics are available on request.

Length composition data were updated, and ages from the fish sampled in the 2011-2012 and 2014-2015 surveys were estimated using the “break and bake” approach described earlier (and in greater detail in the 2011 assessment). Age data were included as conditional age-at-length (CAAL), as they were in the 2011 assessment. Initial effective sample sizes were the number of age observations in a given length bin.

Figures 5 and 6 show the pooled (all years) CPUE observations for the trawl survey for central and southern California, respectively, with 200 meter isobaths and a background that is based on kriging features in ArcGIS (spatial variogram estimates) of catch rates over space. Year-specific figures for survey catches are available upon request. The kriging is based only on catch data, and thus does not include depth, rugosity or other habitat covariates (data shallower than 200 meters and deeper than 600 meters are masked due to the rarity of positive observations in those depth ranges). The results do indicate a relative rarity of blackgill rockfish in slope habitats close to port, and high abundance of blackgill rockfish at the Santa Lucia bank off of Morro Bay, along the southwest side of the continental slope in the Northwest Channel Islands, and at other seamounts in the western side of the Southern California Bight (particularly as abutting the western Cowcod Conservation Area).

## **E. Model**

The first assessment for blackgill rockfish was done in 1998 (Butler et al. 1998) and was based on stock reduction analysis (assuming constant recruitment) for the Conception INPFC area only. Data were used from 1980 through 1997, the model assumed that vulnerable biomass was equal to mature biomass based on comparisons between maturity curves and length frequency data, and assumed a natural mortality rate of 0.047. The results indicated that the then status quo fishing mortality rates (associated with catches in the range of 150 to 250 tons) were approximately equal to  $F_{50\%}$ - $F_{55\%}$ , and thus likely to be “reasonable upper bounds on management targets.”

Blackgill rockfish were again assessed in 2005 (Helser 2006) using stock synthesis 2 and with an expanded geographic range which included both Conception and Monterey INPFC areas. Catch data were interpolated back to 1950 based on a linear increase in the fraction of total California rockfish catches to reflect the movement by the fishery to deeper and more offshore waters. The 2005 assessment included more comprehensive exploration of plausible proxies and estimates of natural mortality rates, developed several time series of abundance based on the triennial and both AFSC and NWFSC slope surveys. Growth parameters were estimated internally using the relatively limited conditional age-at-length data published by Stevens et al. (2004). The base model results from 2005 suggested that the spawning biomass of blackgill rockfish had declined from 9503 metric tons in 1950 (the unfished level) to 4797 in 1999 and increased from then to 4977 tons (52% of the unfished level) in 2004. The 2005 model estimated MSY was 223 tons.

The 2011 model structure was moderately changed from the 2005 model, with three fisheries and three surveys (and four “ghost” fisheries were added to track various composites of size and age information without affecting the likelihood estimation). There are two sexes modeled, and the length and age data are organized into 30 length bins, from 6 to 64 cm, and 29 age bins, from ages 4 through 60. The modeled time period was from 1950 through 2010. Natural mortality is based on the point estimates for the Hamel prior that were available for the 2011 stock assessment (Field and Pearson 2011) and are unchanged for this assessment update. These values are 0.063 and 0.065 for females and males, respectively. Steepness in the base model was fixed at the point estimate of the Dorn prior (as updated in 2011), 0.76. A total of 23 parameters were estimated in the base model, reflecting primarily growth (8 parameters estimated), selectivity (14 parameters estimated), and unfished recruitment ( $R_0$ , a single parameter). Growth was estimated internally, however as the model behaved poorly when trying to estimate  $L_{min}$  (the length of fish at the smallest age class defined in the Schnute model), this value was fixed at 12 cm (for age 6 fish), based on the distribution of ages for 12 cm fish observed in the NWFSC Shelf/Slope Bottom Trawl Survey data. Selectivity was modeled with double logistic curves for the fisheries and asymptotic logistic curves for the surveys.

The 2011 base model results estimated that unfished larval production was on the order of 1.19 trillion larvae, corresponding to a total (summary) biomass of 12,927 tons (within a model estimated range of 11,836-14,019 tons). The target stock size of 40% of the unfished level was associated with a summary biomass of 7,576 tons and a yield of 192 tons; comparable but somewhat less than the equilibrium yield estimated in the Helser model. The abundance of blackgill rockfish was estimated to have declined below target levels by the late 1980s and below the current minimum stock size threshold (MSST) of 25% of the unfished level in 1990. The model estimated that the stock increased back above the overfished threshold in 2006, and continued to be headed in an upward trajectory in 2011. The base model estimated that SPR rates for the years immediately preceding that assessment were fairly close to the target levels (e.g. 0.62 in 2008, approximately 0.46 in 2009 and 2010).

## F. Base model selection and evaluation

As this is an update, very few changes were made since the last full assessment. The first change made was that SS3 v. 3.20 files from the 2011 assessment were updated to the SS3 v 3.24u format without altering data or model structure, and we confirmed that both models provided essentially identical results and likelihood values. The few changes, and sequential additions of new data are described below, with corresponding key model results and likelihood values for each change or addition reported in Table 7.

The first substantive change to be made was to correct the mis-specified maturity function slope parameter (as described in section D.1.a). As the incorrect maturity ogive greatly overestimated the fraction of immature, larger fish, the result of this correction was to substantially increase the overall estimated larval production in the model, from approximately 1.2 to 1.8 trillion larvae (Table 7, Figure 7a-b). Changes in relative spawning biomass (depletion) were considerably more modest, although the correction did result in a slightly more pessimistic stock trajectory in the recent period, with the estimated 2011 depletion declining from ~30 to ~27% of the unfished level. By contrast, the application of the more recently published maturity relationship, which accounted for abortive maturation (Lefebvre and Field 2015) was fairly minor, with spawning output and depletion very nearly (but not exactly) identical to that with the corrected 2011 maturity estimate. Updating the model with the latest fecundity relationship, which had a slightly lower slope than that used in 2011, scaled larval output upwards notably, and interestingly also had the result of nearly cancelling out the somewhat more pessimistic perception of stock status that resulted from the mis-specified maturity relationship.

Next, the model was extended to 2017 (with the addition of updated 2010 through 2016 catches), and fisheries dependent and independent datasets were updated. Notably, the addition of revised 2010 through 2016 length composition data from commercial fisheries had a fairly substantial impact on the overall spawning output and relative depletion, scaling the former upwards and resulting in a considerably more optimistic estimate of relative stock status in the latter (Figure 8a-b). This was largely a consequence of unexpectedly large numbers of smaller fish in the commercial trawl fishery, which were poorly fit in the length composition data. This was quickly presumed to be a consequence of the greater retention in that fishery following the shift to 100% observer coverage and increased retention as part of the trawl rationalization process. A time-block for trawl fishery selectivity was consequently added after the addition of all new data.

Addition of the NWFSC length and age composition data also scaled the spawning output and depletion levels up slightly, as did the addition of the NWFSC Shelf/Slope Bottom Trawl Survey index, which was noisy but did have an upward trend. The addition of the length and age data also had the effect of estimating a lower female growth (K) parameter (from approximately 0.028 to 0.022; Table 7). Analysis of the fits to the CAAL data indicate that the recent data suggest slower growth and smaller size-at-age than the age data developed for the 2011 assessment. The data were read by the same age reader using the same age determination criteria, which suggests the apparent change in growth was not due to age-reading error. Both the 2011 assessment and this update subsequently highlight

the need to conduct both additional age validation studies and establish a greater number of cross-read age estimates for this stock in future assessments.

The addition of a time block for the trawl fishery selectivity brought the spawning output and relative abundance back downwards slightly, but the net effect of the additional data prior to tuning was largely optimistic with respect to stock status (Figure 8a-b). With the exception of an additional time selectivity block on the trawl fishery, to account for the shift to full retention in that fishery beginning in 2011, and an update to the steepness prior (from 0.76 to 0.718), no substantive changes were made to model structure given that this was an updated stock assessment.

To tune the model, we first removed all previous adjustments to indices and compositional data and re-ran the model inclusive of all data through 2016. We then adjusted the standard deviation added to the survey CVs based on model estimates and applied harmonic tuning and Francis A tuning to the length and age compositional data. Results changed very little with harmonic tuning after a single iteration, changes were somewhat more substantive after the first iteration of Francis A tuning, but were very minor after a second iteration (Table 8, Table 9). Francis A tuning was adopted for the base model consistent with the best practices guidance for groundfish assessments in the 2017 assessment cycle (Figure 9a-b).

## **G. Response to previous STAR panel recommendations**

The 2011 STAR Panel recommendations, and responses, follow. In general, few of the recommendations have been fully addressed in this update assessment.

To address uncertainty regarding the portion of blackgill rockfish population residing in Mexico, the Panel follows the suggestions of the 2005 STAR Panel to attempt to document catches in Mexican waters by both U.S. and Mexican fishers and consider the implications of blackgill rockfish being a shared stock. The Panel also suggests exploring alternative sources of information (i.e. to investigate whether there are relevant studies conducted at Universities in Mexico), that could yield information on biology, life history and exploitation of the blackgill rockfish that could be used in the next assessment.

*Response: This remains a key research and management priority for virtually all West Coast groundfish populations, but was beyond the scope of this assessment update.*

The Panel recommends devoting additional efforts to reconstructing historical landings. This recommendation applies to most groundfish species on the U.S. West Coast (and not only blackgill rockfish). In addition to providing the best reconstructed catch histories by species, this effort should develop alternative catch streams that would reflect differences in data quantity and quality available for different time periods. Such (more realistic) alternative catch streams would be very useful while exploring model sensitivity to uncertainty in catch history (rather than applying a simple multiplier to entire catch time-series, which is currently the case for most groundfish assessments). Also, taking into account a spatial shift in fishing efforts to deeper waters would be a significant

improvement to catch reconstruction of blackgill rockfish and other species landed in mixed-species categories.

*Response: The analysis by Miller et al. (2014) was developed to better inform future catch reconstruction efforts with respect to the movement of rockfish fisheries over time. Some additional analyses were presented at the 2016 catch reconstruction workshop (PFMC 2016), however these have not yet progressed to the point at which new historical catch estimates are available for inclusion in this model.*

Both the STAR Panel and the STAT agreed that alternative means of exploring relative or absolute abundance in the CCA is a key research priority. Submersible or other visual survey methods could potentially provide additional information on habitat and abundance for this species. Also, it is important to develop alternative methods to monitor length and age compositions of fish inside the CCA.

*Response: This remains a high research priority, but was beyond the scope of this assessment update.*

The STAT emphasized that blackgill rockfish has proven to be very difficult to age, and age estimates are highly uncertain. Improving age data quality (through validation studies, otolith exchange between labs) and greater exploration of possible differences in age and growth throughout the range of this stock using the data from otoliths that have not yet been processed is desirable. The STAR Panel agreed, but noted that careful consideration should be devoted to producing exactly the age data which would be of most direct benefit to the assessment, based on representative sampling, since expertise, time and funds are all limited.

*Response: Age validation work remains a key priority, as does greater exploration of life history parameters over space, but addressing these concerns was beyond the scope of this assessment.*

## **H. Base-case model results**

### **H.1 Model diagnostics and convergence**

The base model was run ten times with jittered (jitter was set to 0.01 of initial values) starting values to ensure convergence. The first three of these runs (following the initial tuning) provided convergence gradients of 0.000480836, 0.000783907, 0.000332567 with no discernable (to 0.01 units) changes in likelihood in these (or later, e.g., forecast simulation) model runs. Thus, the STAT concluded that the model demonstrated good convergence.

### **H.2 Evaluation of model parameters and base model results**

A full list of all estimated parameters in both the 2011 model and this update (including the assumed values for key fixed parameters) is provided in Table 9, and a composite of the

available catch, survey, length and age frequency data, by fleet and year, used in the base model is shown in Figure 10. The mean input sample sizes, effective sample sizes, and variance adjustments for survey indices, length composition data and age composition data are provided in Table 10. Growth, maturity and fecundity relationships are shown as Figures 11-12. The estimated selectivity curves (including the offset for the southern fixed gear fishery) are shown as Figures 13-14. The most substantive observed changes were in the growth parameters, with the von Bertalanffy growth coefficient ( $K$ ) declining from approximately 0.028 to 0.023 for females, and from 0.047 to 0.040 for males. Length at  $A_{\max}$  also increased slightly for both sexes, and the CVs of size at age increasing for both female and male fish. This is attributed to the previously mentioned indication of bias between age estimates for the 2011 base model and age estimates for this update, despite the fact that all ages were estimated by the same age reader, using the same age determination criteria.

Fits to the NWFSC Shelf/Slope Bottom Trawl Survey index (in both arithmetic and log scale) are presented as Figures 15-16 (fits to the unaltered triennial and NWFSC slope survey are not shown, as indices were unchanged from the 2011 model, but are available in the R4SS plots). As discussed earlier, the fits to the survey indices are poor due to the variable nature of the year-by-year estimates. However, all three indices are suggestive of an increasing trend in relative abundance, a trend that is also suggested by the model fit.

Fits to commercial length data, including residuals and fits to mean length, are presented in Figures 17-23. Most fits appear reasonable, albeit often noisy at times. The strong shift in length compositions (and mean length) in the central trawl fishery beginning in 2011 stands out as a prominent feature in commercial composition data. Fits to commercial CAAL data are not shown as those data have not changed since the 2011 assessment, but are available in the r4ss output package.

Fits to the NWFSC Shelf/Slope Bottom Trawl Survey length composition data (Figures 24-25) are somewhat noisier than fits to commercial length data, as this survey encounters considerable numbers of smaller fish. There are some indications of temporal trends in many of the residuals that may well indicate pulses or periods of good (bad) recruitment. It may be that as the time series of length and age data increase from this survey, some trends in recruitment can be estimated in future assessments. Figure 26 shows composite fits to all length frequency data from the fisheries and surveys (the “ghost” fisheries represent composites that simply pool all sexed and unsexed fish into a single gender for purposes of evaluating the fits).

Fits to the conditional age-at-length (CAAL) data are shown for all fisheries (Figures 27-33), given that the addition of new age data appears to have influenced growth estimates. Fits for most fisheries and surveys are reasonable (albeit noisy), although the fits to the newly aged specimens for the combined bottom trawl survey (years 2011-12, 2014-2015; Figure 31) do suggest a potential bias in overestimates of age relative to the model estimates for those years, as also suggested in the fits to the mean age for that survey (Figure 33).



The base model results for spawning output, summary (age 1+) biomass, recruitment, SPR, and exploitation rate are reported in Table 11. The base model estimated total unfished larval production to be 2.064 trillion larvae, corresponding to a total (summary, age 1+) biomass of 14,187 tons (within a model estimated range of 13,313 to 15,061 tons). The biomass and spawning output trajectories (Figure 34 a-b), and relative depletion (Figure 35) suggests that the spawning output was at high levels in the mid-1970s, began to decline steeply in the late 1970s through the 1980s, consistent with the rapid development and growth of the targeted fishery, and reached a low of approximately 20% of the unfished level in the mid- 1990s. The model suggests that spawning biomass has been slowly increasing since that time. As steepness is fixed at a relatively high level in the spawner-recruit relationship (Figure 36a), the model suggests that recruitment has been maintained at a fairly high level throughout this period, dipping to no less than approximately 70% of the long-term mean at the low point in spawning abundance (Figure 36b).

The base model estimates that the spawning potential ratio (SPR) was below the current target (of 50% of the unfished level) from the mid- 1970s through most of the 1990s (Figure 37), and irregularly in the 2000s. SPR rates have been near or above target levels for most years since the very late 1990s, corresponding to an apparent increase in stock abundance (Figure 38). Over the past four years, SPR rates have ranged between 0.70 and 0.82, corresponding to exploitation rates roughly half of the overfishing limit (0.50).

## **I. Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis**

A comparison of likelihood profiles and model results across alternative values of steepness ( $h$ ) are shown as Figures 39-40 and Table 12. The likelihood profiles suggests better fits for lower values of steepness, although the overall improvement in likelihood was less than two likelihood units over the range of  $\sim 0.3$  to  $0.8$ . There were strong conflicts between survey and length composition data (which fit better with high steepness) and age composition data (which fit better with low steepness). Assumptions regarding steepness had relatively less influence on the model outcome and total likelihood than natural mortality (Figures 41-42, Tables 12 and 13), for which model results are predictably more pessimistic with lower natural mortality rates and more optimistic with higher natural values. As in the 2011 assessment, the age composition data fit better with higher natural mortality rates and the length composition fit better with lower natural mortality rates. Consistent with what intuition might suggest, the low  $M$  scenarios are considerably more pessimistic (2017 depletion of approximately 30% with  $M=0.05$ ), while the high  $M$  scenarios are more optimistic (2017 depletion of approximately 50% with  $M=0.08$ ). For the purposes of constructing this profile for natural mortality, the female and male mortality rates were set equal and profiled across 0.01 intervals.

Retrospective analyses were done by removing the last two, and the last five, years of data from the model (Figure 43). Unlike the 2011 model, this model was relatively insensitive to the retrospective analysis; the 5 year retrospective was somewhat more pessimistic, but not tremendously so when compared to the five year retrospective in 2011 when the five year retrospective estimated depletion to be approximately 17% of the unfished level. At that time this was thought to be a consequence of having very few fish at small sizes to

estimate growth (as most of the NWFSC Shelf/Slope Bottom Trawl Survey data were excluded). The five year retrospective in this update essentially approximates the 2011 model.

## **J. Reference Points**

Key biomass reference points (unfished summary biomass, spawning output and equilibrium recruitment) along with approximate 95% confidence limits are reported in Table 14. The unfished larval production was estimated to be 2.064 trillion larvae, corresponding to a total (summary, age 1+) biomass of 14,187 tons (within a model estimated range of 13,313 to 15,061 tons). The target stock size of 40% of the unfished level is associated with a summary biomass of 8037 tons and a yield of 188 tons (relative to 192 in the 2011 assessment, and considerably greater than recent catches). It should be emphasized that this biomass estimate is inclusive of immature fish and mature fish too small to be vulnerable to current fisheries. Estimated maximum yields vary relatively modestly (across a range of 31 tons) over the  $SSB_{40\%}$  (188 mt),  $SPR_{50\%}$  (178 mt) and  $MSY$  (209 mt) estimates. The potential yield curve is shown as Figure 44.

## **K. Harvest Projections and Decision Tables**

The projected ABC and OFL values for the base model, assuming attainment of the 2017 and 2018 ABCs, are included as Table 15. As the biomass is approaching the target level of 40% of the unfished spawning output, and recruitment is assumed to be deterministic, both sets of values are extremely stable with respect to projections over the next ten years.

The decision table axis of uncertainty was unchanged from the 2011 assessment, as uncertainty in the natural mortality rate is by far the greatest source of uncertainty in this stock with respect to abundance, productivity and relative stock status. As in 2011, we used the standard deviation for the Hamel prior as the basis for the uncertainty in  $M$  in the decision table (Table B7 in executive summary). This led to a high (0.086 females, 0.089 males) and low (0.046 for females, 0.048 for males) natural mortality rate alternative states of nature (base case point estimates for  $M$  were 0.063 for females, 0.065 for males). Catch streams for this update were not developed from the same criteria as in the 2011 model, but rather reflect status quo catches (average over the past three years), the base model estimated ABC catches, and the corresponding base model estimated OFL catches (Figure 45).

In all catch scenarios, the base model reaches 40% of the unfished larval output in 2018. In the status quo catch scenario the stock continues to slowly build to nearly 50% of the unfished level by 2028, and as expected, in both the ABC and OFL catch scenarios, the stock is maintained at just at or above 40% of the unfished larval output. The biomass trajectories under the alternative states of nature are of course considerably different, under the low natural mortality rate scenario the stock in 2017 is at 28% of the unfished level, and increases substantively only with the status quo (low catch) stream, although even under ABC or OFL catches the stock is not projected to decline from this level. Under the

high natural mortality rate scenario, the stock is at 55% of the unfished larval output in 2017, and increases under all catch scenarios.

## **L. Regional management considerations**

The vast majority (approximately 65%) of historical landings have taken place south of Point Conception by fixed gear (hook and line, and historically, setnet) fisheries. In this region, blackgill rockfish were, and remain, a targeted fishery although they are encountered incidentally in other fisheries as well. Blackgill rockfish catches appear to be somewhat incidental to fisheries targeting sablefish and other species north of Point Conception, with some exceptions in targeted fisheries out of Morro Bay and possibly Monterey regions. The historical magnitude of catches by region should probably be a consideration in developing management recommendations throughout the area south of 40°10'. North of 40°10' blackgill rockfish are uncommon and may well have different life history characteristics, although there is no evidence that these animals represent a distinct stock. As noted in the 2011 assessment, the Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCAs) have had notable effects on the size composition of catches in the southern area, consistent with the expectation that the habitat in the CCAs is optimal for this species. Continued closure of this area to fishing will have the effect of concentrating effort on that fraction of the stock that remains in habitat open to fishing, presumably leading to greater disparity in abundance and size structure between these large fished and unfished regions.

## **M Research Recommendations**

Age estimates are highly uncertain and this species has proven very difficult to age, which is not uncommon for deepwater species that inhabit environments where seasonal variability is muted. There is some indication of aging bias between ages developed for the 2011 assessment and for this update, despite the fact that they were aged by the same reader, using the same age determination criteria. Conducting cross reads with other laboratories, as well as consideration of alternative age validation and bias evaluation methods, are important factors for future efforts.

Both the previous assessment and a subsequent publication indicate differences in size-at-maturity over space, with fish maturing at larger sizes (older ages) further north. Although recent histological studies have shown that this species is slow to mature and often undergoes abortive maturation (particularly at younger ages), additional investigations into spatial and potentially temporal variability in reproductive parameters are needed. There also appear to be latitudinal clines in growth and potentially other life history parameters that are not accounted for in the model; greater exploration of possible differences in age structure and growth, as well as maturity, throughout the range of this stock are desirable. As this species occupies a wide range of depths, some investigation of the potential effects of depth on growth variability may also be desirable.

Recent efforts to analyze spatially explicit historical catch data have indicated that fisheries for this and other rockfish species tended to fish deeper waters, further offshore, in more inclement weather over time, suggesting that historical catches of this deeply distributed

species may be overestimated. In general, historical catches remain very uncertain for this (and other) rockfish stocks. The potential for the fishery to sequentially deplete regions of abundance for this species could also bias estimates of stock status and productivity if length composition data do not reflect a constant mortality rate exhibited on the whole of the stock biomass.

A large fraction of blackgill rockfish habitat is currently closed to both fishing and survey effort in the Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCAs), complicating efforts to interpret both catch and survey data. Alternative means of exploring relative or absolute abundance in this region is a key research priority. Submersible or other survey methods could potentially provide additional habitat and abundance information for this species as they have for others.

Greater investigation into the likely or plausible consequences of a shoaling of the oxygen minimum zone (OMZ) on blackgill rockfish habitat will aid in evaluating threats to this species that may be posed by global climate change.

As the slope environment is dominated by a relatively small number of species, for which respectable abundance and food habits information exists on key predators (such as sablefish and shortspine thornyheads), this environment could be an ideal one for exploring the consequences of fishing on trophic interactions and altered predator abundance levels.

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Table 1: Recent catches, ACL, ABC and OFL values for blackgill rockfish

	Catch	ACL	ABC	OFL	% of ABC	% of OFL
2008	74	292	292	292	0.25	0.25
2009	132.7	282	282	282	0.47	0.47
2010	152.3	282	282	282	0.54	0.54
2011	150.3	279	282	282	0.53	0.53
2012	195.4	275	282	282	0.69	0.69
2013	72	113.8	118.7	130	0.6	0.55
2014	72.8	117.2	122.3	134	0.59	0.54
2015	42.8	120.2	125.1	137	0.34	0.31
2016	38.7	123	127.8	140	0.3	0.27
2017			130.6	143		
2018			133	146		

Table 2: WCGOP Total Mortality estimates for blackgill rockfish south of 40 10 by gear group (research is included with trawl)

	fixed	trawl	total
2010	90.45	61.87	152.33
2011	133.99	16.28	150.27
2012	122.03	73.41	195.44
2013	33.22	38.80	72.02
2014	37.49	35.30	72.79
2015	23.95	18.87	42.81

Table 3: CalCOM reported landings by model fleet and region

	south fixed	central fixed	central trawl	total
2010	40.30	49.78	61.54	151.62
2011	41.82	89.32	14.22	145.36
2012	58.28	54.09	73.49	185.86
2013	7.40	25.93	39.67	73.00
2014	11.01	22.32	25.30	58.63
2015	12.34	8.85	17.20	38.39
2016	12.15	13.63	8.67	34.45

Table 4: Model input catches by year and fleet

	south fixed	central fixed	central trawl	total
2010	37.50	57.33	57.50	152.33
2011	37.00	99.15	14.12	150.27
2012	56.63	69.40	69.40	195.43
2013	7.52	26.44	38.06	72.02
2014	9.94	31.09	31.77	72.80
2015	12.89	10.95	18.98	42.82
2016	12.40	17.47	8.83	38.70



Table 5: Number of length observations, subsamples, and effective initial sample size for the three fishing fleets, 2010-2016

	Subsample Count			Fish Count			initial Neff		
	south fixed	central fixed	central trawl	south fixed	central fixed	central trawl	south fixed	central fixed	central trawl
2010	23	37	29	278	447	447	61.36	98.68	90.68
2011	13	45	28	185	598	340	38.53	127.52	74.92
2012	11	13	40	276	259	632	49.08	48.74	127.21
2013	8	3	24	122	49	428	24.83	9.76	83.06
2014	4	16	10	101	270	123	17.93	53.26	26.97
2015	20	10	23	436	161	455	80.16	32.21	85.79
2016	22	15	28	473	260	606	87.27	50.88	111.62

Table 6: Number of hauls, positive hauls, length observations, and effective sample sizes for NWFSC combined shelf-slope (2003-2016) bottom trawl survey within the assessment area (Conception and Monterey INPFC areas).

	positive hauls	total hauls	length observations	Initial Neff
2003	19	199	117	38.146
2004	14	218	410	76.58
2005	24	282	388	81.544
2006	31	302	749	138.362
2007	27	298	288	69.744
2008	35	330	320	88.16
2009	35	325	541	114.658
2010	42	340	518	116.484
2011	36	322	357	93.266
2012	38	319	504	112.552
2013	28	188	395	85.51
2014	38	315	854	155.852
2015	39	331	718	139.084
2016	31	313	371	85.198

Table 7a: Tracking key model outputs and likelihood values with sequential updates and revisions to the 2011 base model.

	2011 base model	2011 base, SS3 v3.24u	2017 fix maturity	2017 new maturity	2017 new fecundity	2011 data, catches to 2016	2017 add com LFs	2017 add NWC survey LFs
Unfished larvae	1188	1187	1733	1732	1866	1866	2153	2222
Unfished recruits	2275	2275	2276	2276	2275	2275	2534	2555
2011 Depletion	0.302	0.302	0.282	0.280	0.310	0.310	0.380	0.386
2017 Depletion						0.365	0.450	0.446
2011 SPR ratio	0.454	1.378	1.441	1.445	1.389	1.102	0.898	0.882
Female Lmax	52.253	52.254	52.403	52.414	52.413	52.295	52.693	53.118
Female K	0.028	0.028	0.028	0.028	0.028	0.028	0.030	0.030
Total likelihood	3275.3	3275.6	3274.5	3274.4	3275.0	3275.0	3608.6	3853.9
Survey	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9
Length_comp	1158.4	1158.4	1160.8	1161.0	1159.3	1159.3	1460.6	1705.3
Age_comp	2124.8	2124.8	2121.3	2121.0	2123.4	2123.4	2154.8	2155.3
Surveys								
Triennial	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC slope	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC combo	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2
Length data								
South fixed	376.6	376.6	376.9	376.9	376.6	376.7	428.8	435.3
Central fixed	182.2	182.2	182.9	182.9	182.5	182.5	222.7	217.6
Central trawl	392.7	392.7	394.3	394.4	393.2	393.2	609.5	609.8
Triennial	63.1	63.1	63.3	63.3	63.2	63.2	62.0	61.8
LF.5								
NWFSC Combo	143.7	143.7	143.4	143.4	143.7	143.7	137.5	380.7
Age data	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South fixed	239.9	239.9	239.6	239.5	239.8	239.8	244.3	243.3
Central fixed	121.2	121.2	121.1	121.1	121.1	121.1	120.0	120.1
Central trawl	820.1	820.1	819.0	818.9	819.7	819.7	828.8	828.2
NWFSC combo	943.7	943.7	941.6	941.5	942.7	942.7	961.7	963.6

Table 7b: Continued tracking key model outputs and likelihood values with sequential updates and revisions to the 2011 base model.

	2017 add survey LFs	2017 add survey LFs, CAALs	add survey index	add trawl time block	Update steep- ness	2017 all data, untuned
Unfished larvae	2222	2205	2206	2100	2110	2057
Unfished recruits	2555	3130	3130	2991	2994	2962
2011 Depletion	0.386	0.395	0.395	0.367	0.365	0.363
2017 Depletion	0.446	0.457	0.457	0.430	0.425	0.423
2011 SPR ratio	0.882	0.870	0.870	0.934	0.936	0.944
Female Lmax	53.118	52.148	52.148	52.082	52.124	51.837
Female K	0.030	0.022	0.022	0.021	0.021	0.022
Total likelihood	3853.9	5627.0	5621.7	5474.4	5475.1	5703.4
Survey	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9
Length_comp	1705.3	1726.2	1726.1	1589.1	1590.7	1753.9
Age_comp	2155.3	3907.5	3907.6	3897.6	3896.7	3964.6
Surveys						
Triennial	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC slope	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC combo	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2
Length data						
South fixed	435.3	447.7	447.7	441.2	441.0	584.6
Central fixed	217.6	216.1	216.1	230.7	231.2	235.6
Central trawl	609.8	616.7	616.7	469.2	471.5	468.0
Triennial	61.8	62.0	62.0	62.0	62.2	78.8
LF.5						
NWFSC Combo	380.7	383.7	383.7	385.9	384.9	386.9
Age data	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South fixed	243.3	322.9	322.9	320.8	320.1	375.9
Central fixed	120.1	114.9	114.9	113.4	113.5	113.7
Central trawl	828.2	920.2	920.2	916.3	915.2	909.2
NWFSC combo	963.6	2549.5	2549.5	2547.0	2547.9	2565.8

Table 8: Key model outputs and likelihood values with alternative model tuning approaches (and with retrospective analyses) for the 2017 base model. Note that alternative tuning methods change the scale of the log-likelihoods so they are not always comparable among columns.

	2017 all data, untuned	Simple tuning (Eff/input N)	Harmonic tuning	Francis A tuning	Francis A, second round	Francis A, final (base model)	retro- two years	retro- five years
Unfished larvae	2057	2061	2059	2116	2063	2063	2078	1188
Unfished recruits	2962	2963	2918	2502	2563	2563	2505	2275
2011 Depletion	0.363	0.363	0.370	0.325	0.338	0.338	0.334	0.302
2017 Depletion	0.423	0.423	0.428	0.380	0.394	0.394	0.389	0.364
2011 SPR ratio	0.944	0.944	0.928	1.018	0.993	0.993	1.004	0.454
Female Lmax	51.837	51.855	51.773	54.062	53.261	53.261	53.261	52.253
Female K	0.022	0.022	0.022	0.022	0.023	0.023	0.023	0.028
Total likelihood	5703.4	5687.4	2800.0	1308.8	1198.8	1198.8	1198.8	3275.3
Survey	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9
Length_comp	1753.9	1737.9	1032.5	233.6	233.9	233.9	233.9	1158.4
Age_comp	3964.6	3964.7	1782.6	1090.3	980.0	980.0	980.0	2124.8
Surveys								
Triennial	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC slope	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC combo	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2
Length data								
South fixed	584.6	584.5	219.6	39.7	39.7	39.7	39.7	376.6
Central fixed	235.6	235.4	147.4	22.8	21.2	21.2	21.2	182.2
Central trawl	468.0	468.0	309.7	94.7	97.9	97.9	97.9	392.7
Triennial	78.8	63.0	56.6	27.7	27.4	27.4	27.4	63.1
LF.5								
NWFSC Combo	386.9	386.9	299.3	48.6	47.8	47.8	47.8	143.7
Age data	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South fixed	375.9	375.9	126.8	56.5	56.5	56.5	56.5	239.9
Central fixed	113.7	113.7	91.7	51.8	52.2	52.2	52.2	121.2
Central trawl	909.2	909.4	497.0	448.2	340.9	340.9	340.9	820.1
NWFSC combo	2565.8	2565.7	1067.1	533.7	530.4	530.4	530.4	943.7

Table 9: Key fixed and all estimated parameters for the 2011 base blackgill rockfish model and this (2017) assessment update.

Parameter	2011 Point estimate	2017 Point estimate	Param StDev
Natural Mortality (females)	0.063	0.063	fixed
Natural Mortality (males)	0.065	0.065	fixed
Steepness (h)	0.76	0.718	fixed
Sigma R	0	0	fixed
L_at_Amin (male and female)	12	12	fixed
L_at_Amax (female)	52.3	53.26	1.2521
VonBert_K (female)	0.028	0.023	0.0028
CV length at age, young (female)	0.17	0.21	0.025
CV length at age, old (female)	0.13	0.10	0.0189
L_at_Amax (male)	45.60	46.12	0.8603
VonBert_K (male)	0.047	0.04	0.0033
CV length at age, young (female)	0.21	0.25	0.017
CV length at age, old (female)	0.06	0.07	0.0103
Unfished recruitment (log)	7.73	7.85	0.033
Selectivity, southern fixed, peak	46.69	46.13	1.0825
Selectivity, southern fixed, asc. width	3.73	3.72	0.2052
Selectivity, southern fixed, init	-11.10	-11.14	6.3065
Selectivity, southern fixed, block offset	-0.33	-0.31	0.0391
Selectivity, central fixed, peak	51.39	43.67	2.4557
Selectivity, central fixed, asc. width	4.67	4.06	0.3736
Selectivity, central fixed, init	-17.75	-15.41	65.9106
Selectivity, central trawl, peak	43.88	41.11	0.8346
Selectivity, central trawl, asc. width	4.25	3.91	0.1362
Selectivity, central trawl, init	-17.62	-15.98	56.983
Selectivity, central trawl, block offset	n/a	-0.13	0.0215
Selectivity, triennial, inflection	45.26	43.02	2.276
Selectivity, triennial, slope	11.43	11.38	1.2975
Selectivity, NWFSC combo, inflection	26.58	26.73	3.6867
Selectivity, NWFSC combo, slope	13.19	15.14	3.5957

Table 10 a, b, c: Mean input sample sizes, effective sample sizes, and variance adjustments for survey indices, length composition data and age composition data.

Survey data					
Fleet	r.m.s.e.	Input	var. adj		
Triennial	0.27	0.28	0.06		
NWFSC.slope	0.27	0.34	0.00		
NWFSC.combo	0.53	0.53	0.25		
Length composition data					
Fleet	N	model Neff	input Neff	Harm. Mean Neff	Francis A Mean Neff
South.fixed	33	33	78.36	78.36	5.1
Central.fixed	23	23	55.16	55.16	5.27
Central.trawl	41	41	110.46	110.46	21.65
Triennial	4	4	55.19	55.19	19.8
NWFSC.combo	14	14	101.57	101.57	12.97
Age composition data					
Fleet	N	model Neff	input Neff	Harm. Mean Neff	Francis A Mean Neff
South.fixed	35	5.94323	8.37143	2.6551	0.03704
Central.fixed	30	2.67385	2.46667	1.87633	0.09473
Central.trawl	170	4.12963	4.08824	1.91186	0.44249
NWFSC.combo	392	5.40678	7.40816	2.65136	0.03162

Table 11: Base model results for total biomass, larval production, depletion.

	Summary Biomass	Larval prod (x10 <sup>9</sup> )	CV. Larval prod	Depletion	Recruit (x 10 <sup>3</sup> )	Catch (mt)	SPR	Expl. Rate
INIT	14187	2064	0.061	1.00	2564	0	1.000	0.000
1950	14164	2064	0.061	1.00	2563	27	0.939	0.002
1951	14143	2058	0.061	1.00	2563	24	0.944	0.002
1952	14121	2053	0.061	0.99	2562	28	0.937	0.002
1953	14091	2048	0.061	0.99	2561	36	0.919	0.003
1954	14058	2042	0.061	0.99	2560	41	0.908	0.003
1955	14031	2034	0.061	0.99	2559	36	0.918	0.003
1956	13988	2027	0.061	0.98	2558	55	0.879	0.004
1957	13947	2017	0.061	0.98	2557	54	0.881	0.004
1958	13906	2007	0.061	0.97	2555	58	0.874	0.004
1959	13862	1997	0.061	0.97	2554	62	0.866	0.004
1960	13822	1987	0.061	0.96	2553	60	0.869	0.004
1961	13784	1977	0.061	0.96	2551	59	0.870	0.004
1962	13762	1967	0.061	0.95	2551	43	0.902	0.003
1963	13724	1961	0.061	0.95	2549	62	0.863	0.005
1964	13700	1951	0.061	0.95	2548	49	0.889	0.004
1965	13666	1944	0.061	0.94	2547	61	0.864	0.004
1966	13545	1935	0.061	0.94	2543	160	0.702	0.012
1967	13312	1908	0.061	0.92	2536	290	0.551	0.022
1968	13234	1858	0.061	0.90	2533	125	0.745	0.009
1969	13138	1840	0.061	0.89	2530	152	0.707	0.012
1970	13044	1815	0.061	0.88	2526	154	0.702	0.012
1971	12927	1791	0.061	0.87	2521	185	0.660	0.014
1972	12697	1761	0.061	0.85	2512	322	0.525	0.025
1973	12438	1705	0.061	0.83	2501	366	0.486	0.029
1974	12170	1643	0.062	0.80	2489	390	0.463	0.032
1975	11968	1578	0.062	0.76	2479	325	0.496	0.027
1976	11763	1529	0.062	0.74	2468	338	0.479	0.029
1977	11584	1479	0.062	0.72	2458	319	0.485	0.028
1978	11311	1435	0.062	0.70	2443	435	0.400	0.038
1979	11019	1373	0.063	0.67	2425	474	0.380	0.043
1980	10668	1304	0.063	0.63	2402	556	0.331	0.052
1981	10384	1224	0.064	0.59	2382	493	0.342	0.047
1982	9940	1160	0.065	0.56	2348	696	0.263	0.070
1983	9565	1066	0.067	0.52	2318	627	0.256	0.066
1984	9461	992	0.069	0.48	2306	328	0.386	0.035
1985	9212	965	0.070	0.47	2281	507	0.289	0.055
1986	8598	912	0.071	0.44	2216	961	0.179	0.112
1987	8085	794	0.077	0.38	2147	877	0.181	0.108
1988	7456	693	0.082	0.34	2054	1040	0.136	0.139
1989	7258	585	0.091	0.28	2018	532	0.200	0.073



Table 11 (continued): Base model results for total biomass, larval production, depletion.

	Summary Biomass	Larval prod (x10 <sup>9</sup> )	CV. Larval prod	Depletion	Recruit (x 10 <sup>3</sup> )	Catch (mt)	SPR	Expl. Rate
1990	6951	549	0.094	0.27	1961	680	0.159	0.098
1991	6814	499	0.099	0.24	1930	479	0.194	0.070
1992	6446	475	0.101	0.23	1853	784	0.130	0.122
1993	6383	421	0.108	0.20	1837	401	0.194	0.063
1994	6336	410	0.109	0.20	1827	380	0.197	0.060
1995	6306	404	0.109	0.20	1824	353	0.204	0.056
1996	6264	402	0.109	0.19	1820	366	0.197	0.058
1997	6288	399	0.110	0.19	1832	270	0.244	0.043
1998	6340	407	0.108	0.20	1850	229	0.278	0.036
1999	6525	419	0.107	0.20	1894	48	0.670	0.007
2000	6672	448	0.103	0.22	1930	85	0.568	0.013
2001	6775	475	0.100	0.23	1959	128	0.473	0.019
2002	6857	498	0.097	0.24	1985	144	0.452	0.021
2003	6896	520	0.095	0.25	2004	188	0.385	0.027
2004	6960	537	0.094	0.26	2025	149	0.458	0.021
2005	7071	557	0.092	0.27	2052	87	0.612	0.012
2006	7171	583	0.090	0.28	2075	93	0.603	0.013
2007	7304	608	0.088	0.29	2102	47	0.766	0.006
2008	7409	637	0.086	0.31	2124	74	0.677	0.010
2009	7461	663	0.084	0.32	2138	133	0.531	0.018
2010	7492	682	0.084	0.33	2150	152	0.498	0.020
2011	7521	697	0.083	0.34	2161	150	0.503	0.020
2012	7505	711	0.083	0.34	2167	195	0.432	0.026
2013	7596	720	0.083	0.35	2182	72	0.701	0.009
2014	7684	742	0.082	0.36	2197	73	0.702	0.009
2015	7796	763	0.081	0.37	2212	43	0.810	0.005
2016	7910	788	0.080	0.38	2227	39	0.827	0.005
2017	7917	812	0.078	0.39	2232	<i>n/a</i>	<i>n/a</i>	<i>n/a</i>

Table 12: Key model outputs and likelihood values with alternative fixed values for steepness (h).

	h=0.21	h=0.3	h=0.4	h=0.5	h=0.6	h=0.7	h=0.8	h=0.9	h=0.99
Unfished larvae	2049	2079	2098	2102	2081	2065	2054	2044	2034
Unfished recruits	2526	2527	2530	2539	2554	2562	2569	2578	2586
2011 Depletion	0.235	0.267	0.291	0.309	0.325	0.336	0.346	0.355	0.362
2011 SPR ratio	1.213	1.135	1.083	1.045	1.016	0.996	0.980	0.966	0.953
Female Lmax	52.651	53.130	53.439	53.539	53.380	53.276	53.194	53.099	52.994
Female K	0.028	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.023	0.023	0.023	0.023	0.023
Total likelihood	1205.6	1199.1	1197.9	1198.2	1198.6	1198.7	1199.0	1199.7	1201.5
Survey	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9	-7.9
Length_comp	238.9	236.8	236.0	235.8	235.1	234.1	233.1	232.2	231.5
Age_comp	971.6	973.0	974.7	976.4	978.1	979.7	981.2	982.7	983.9
Surveys									
Triennial	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC slope	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC combo	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2
Length data									
South fixed	38.7	38.9	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.7	39.7	39.8	39.9
Central fixed	23.5	22.9	22.4	21.9	21.5	21.2	20.9	20.7	20.5
Central trawl	110.3	106.7	103.8	101.6	99.7	98.2	97.0	96.0	95.3
Triennial	28.6	28.3	28.1	27.8	27.6	27.4	27.2	27.1	27.0
LF.5									
NWFSC Combo	37.8	39.9	42.6	45.0	46.8	47.7	48.2	48.6	48.9
Age data	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South fixed	54.9	55.2	55.5	55.8	56.2	56.5	56.7	56.9	57.1
Central fixed	51.9	51.9	52.0	52.1	52.2	52.2	52.3	52.3	52.4
Central trawl	338.0	338.0	338.4	339.0	340.0	340.8	341.5	342.1	342.7
NWFSC combo	526.9	527.9	528.8	529.5	529.8	530.3	530.8	531.3	531.8

Table 13: Key model outputs and likelihood values with alternative fixed values for natural mortality (M)

	M=0.03	M=0.04	M=0.05	M=0.06	M=0.07	M=0.08	M=0.09	M=0.1
Unfished larvae	2265	2196	2128	2029	1956	1893	1845	1818
Unfished recruits	531	879	1395	2171	3345	5138	7899	12185
2011 Depletion	0.132	0.194	0.256	0.318	0.382	0.449	0.517	0.584
2011 SPR ratio	1.654	1.427	1.219	1.045	0.893	0.759	0.642	0.538
Female Lmax	49.025	50.612	52.035	53.042	53.942	54.578	54.966	55.160
Female K	0.037	0.032	0.028	0.024	0.021	0.019	0.017	0.016
Total likelihood	1235.9	1214.3	1204.5	1199.7	1198.1	1199.3	1202.8	1208.1
Survey	-7.10	-7.12	-7.14	-7.16	-7.18	-7.20	-7.22	-7.23
Length_comp	220.6	225.4	230.4	233.3	234.7	235.7	236.6	237.4
Age_comp	1024.0	1001.5	988.7	981.6	977.9	976.1	975.4	975.3
Surveys								
Triennial	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC slope	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.4
NWFSC combo	-1.3	-1.5	-1.7	-1.9	-1.11	-1.13	-1.15	-1.16
Length data								
South fixed	42.1	41.6	41.0	40.2	39.5	39.1	39.0	39.2
Central fixed	19.2	20.4	21.0	21.3	21.2	20.9	20.5	19.9
Central trawl	88.3	92.0	95.2	97.5	99.5	101.2	102.5	103.6
Triennial	27.2	27.1	26.9	26.7	26.6	26.4	26.3	26.3
LF.5								
NWFSC Combo	43.8	44.3	46.2	47.6	47.9	48.1	48.3	48.4
Age data	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South fixed	70.7	64.3	60.0	57.3	55.4	54.0	53.1	52.4
Central fixed	53.8	53.0	52.6	52.3	52.2	52.2	52.1	52.0
Central trawl	370.2	355.6	347.0	342.3	339.3	337.5	336.5	335.9
NWFSC combo	529.4	528.6	529.1	529.7	531.0	532.4	533.7	534.9

Table 14: Reference points for the 2017 blackgill rockfish model

95% Confidence Limits			
Unfished Stock	Estimate	Lower	Upper
Summary (1+) Biomass (tons)	14187	13313	15061
Spawning Output (billions larvae)	2064	1812	2316
Equilibrium recruitment (1000s)	2564	2394	2733

Yield reference Points			
	SSB <sub>40%</sub>	SPR proxy	MSY est.
SPR	0.459	0.500	0.314
Exploitation rate	0.025	0.022	0.044
Yield	188	178	209
Spawning output	826	919	493
Summary biomass	8037	8590	5815
SSB/SSB <sub>0</sub>	0.400	0.446	0.239

Table 15: Base model projected ABC and OFL values, assuming ABC attainment

	ABC	OFL
2017	131	
2018	133	
2019	159	174
2020	159	174
2021	159	174
2022	159	174
2023	159	174
2024	159	173
2025	158	173
2026	158	173
2027	158	173
2028	158	173



Figure 1: U.S. West coast with International North Pacific Fishery Commission (INPFC) areas and key management lines. This assessment includes only catches and survey data from the Monterey and Conception INPFC areas.

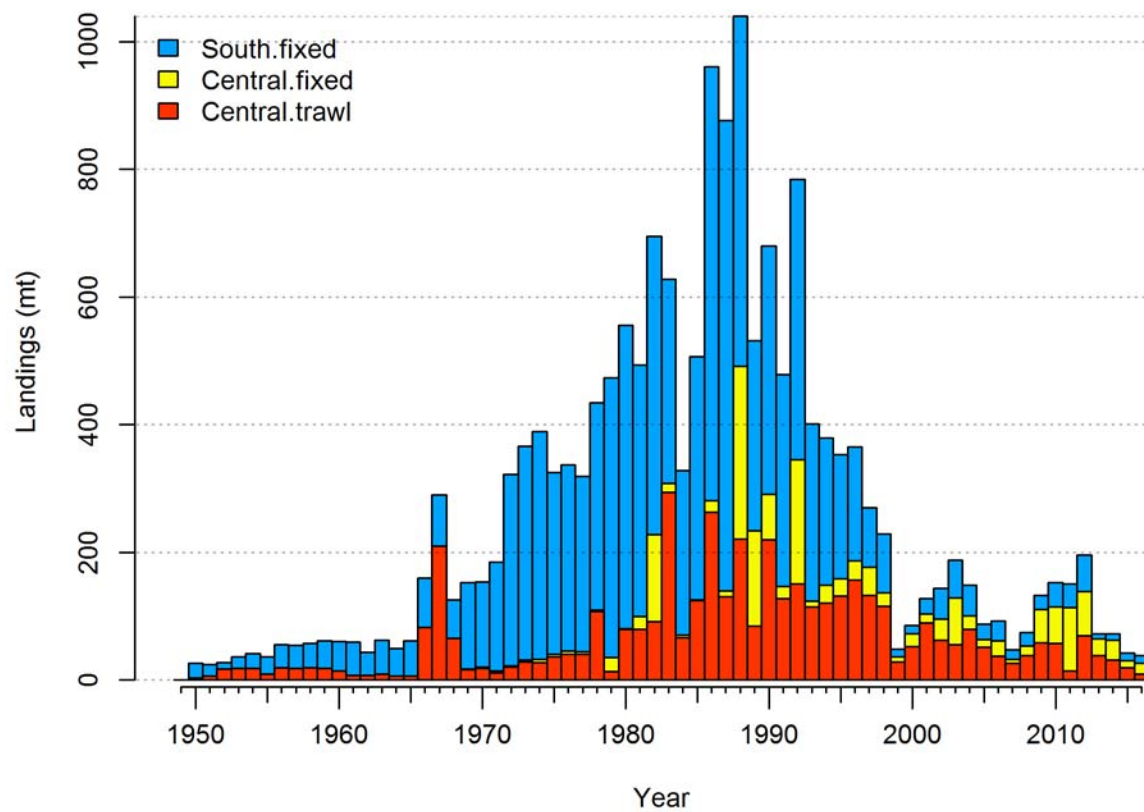


Figure 2: Catch history for the 2017 base model

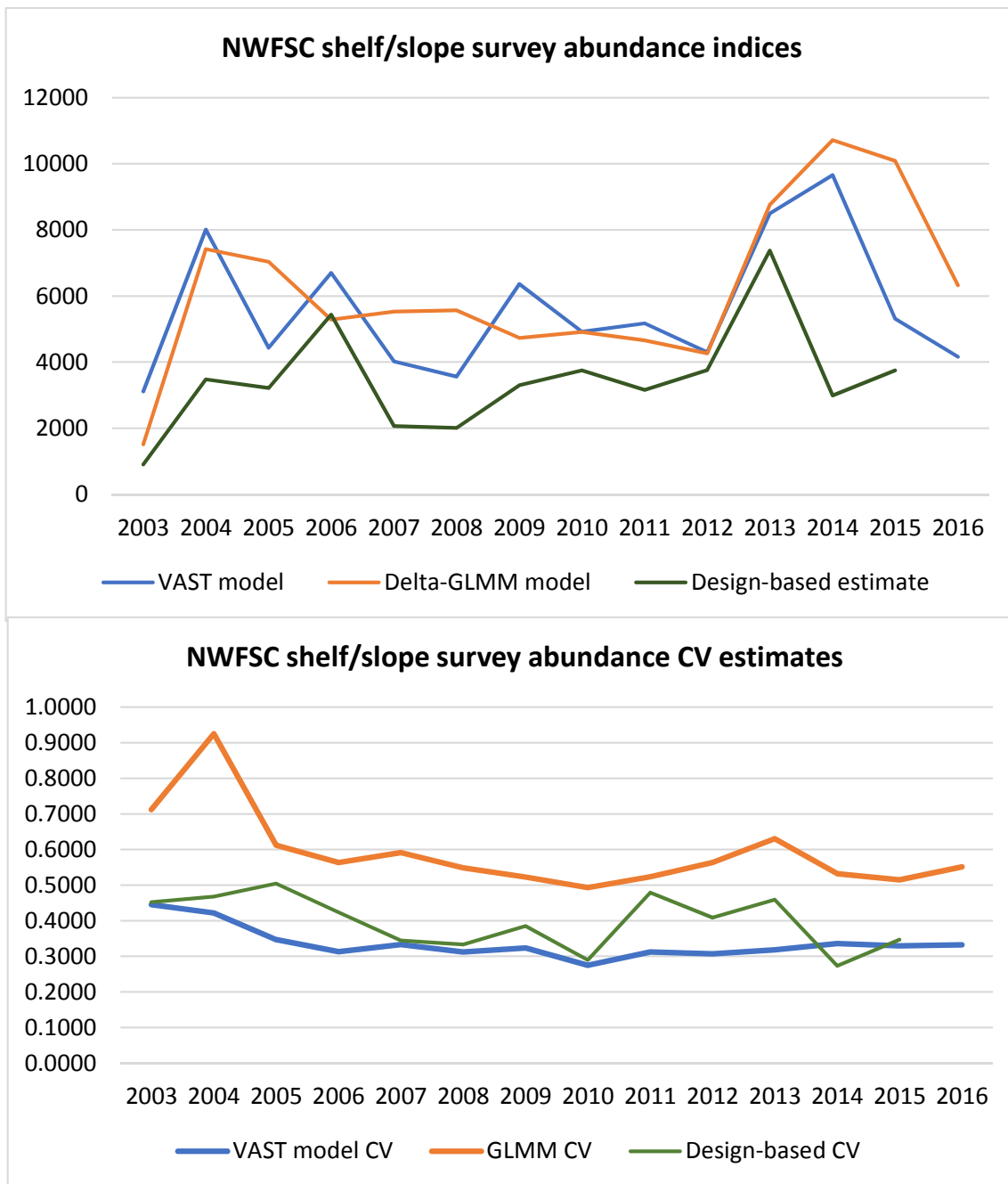


Figure 3: Comparison of VAST, Delta-GLMM and Design-based abundance estimates and associated CVs from the NWFSC shelf/slope bottom trawl survey.

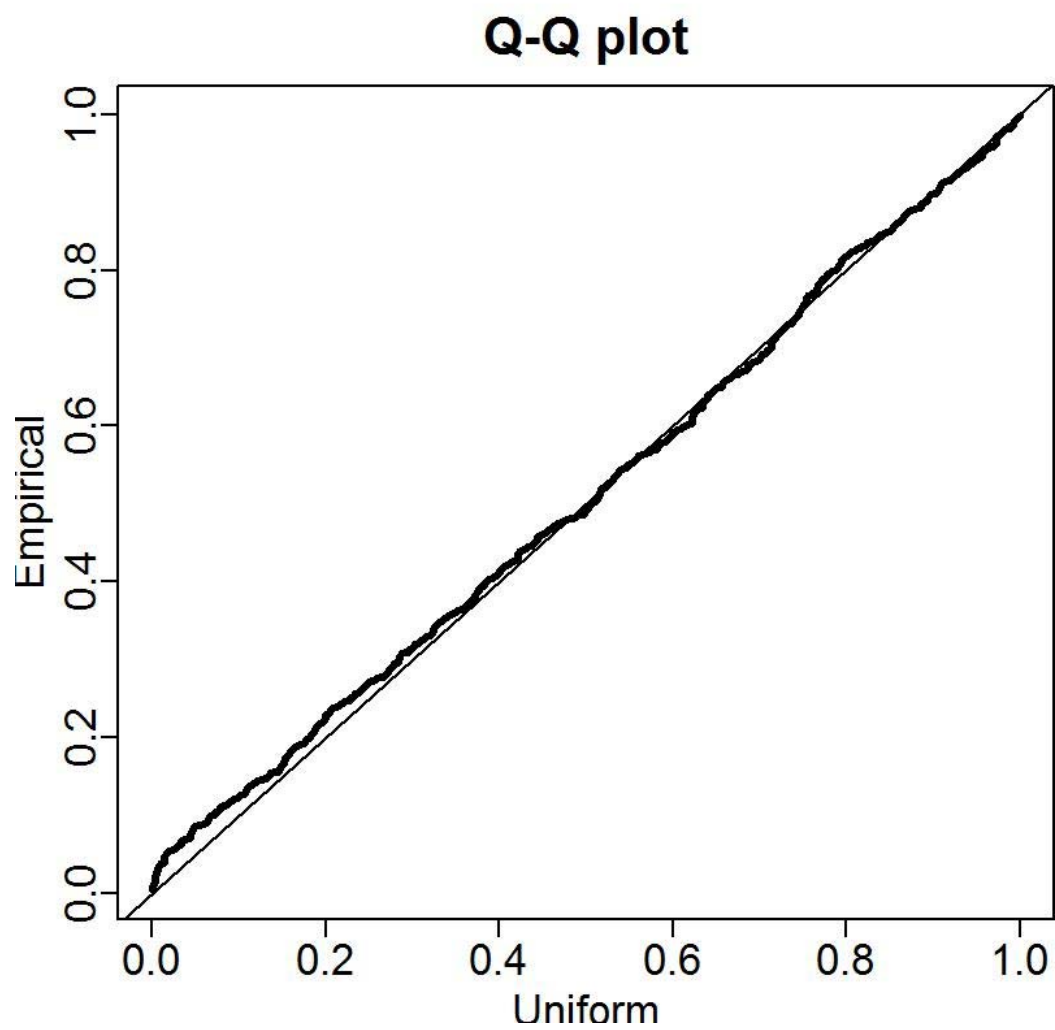


Figure 4: Q/Q plot of base VAST model run for blackgill abundance index.



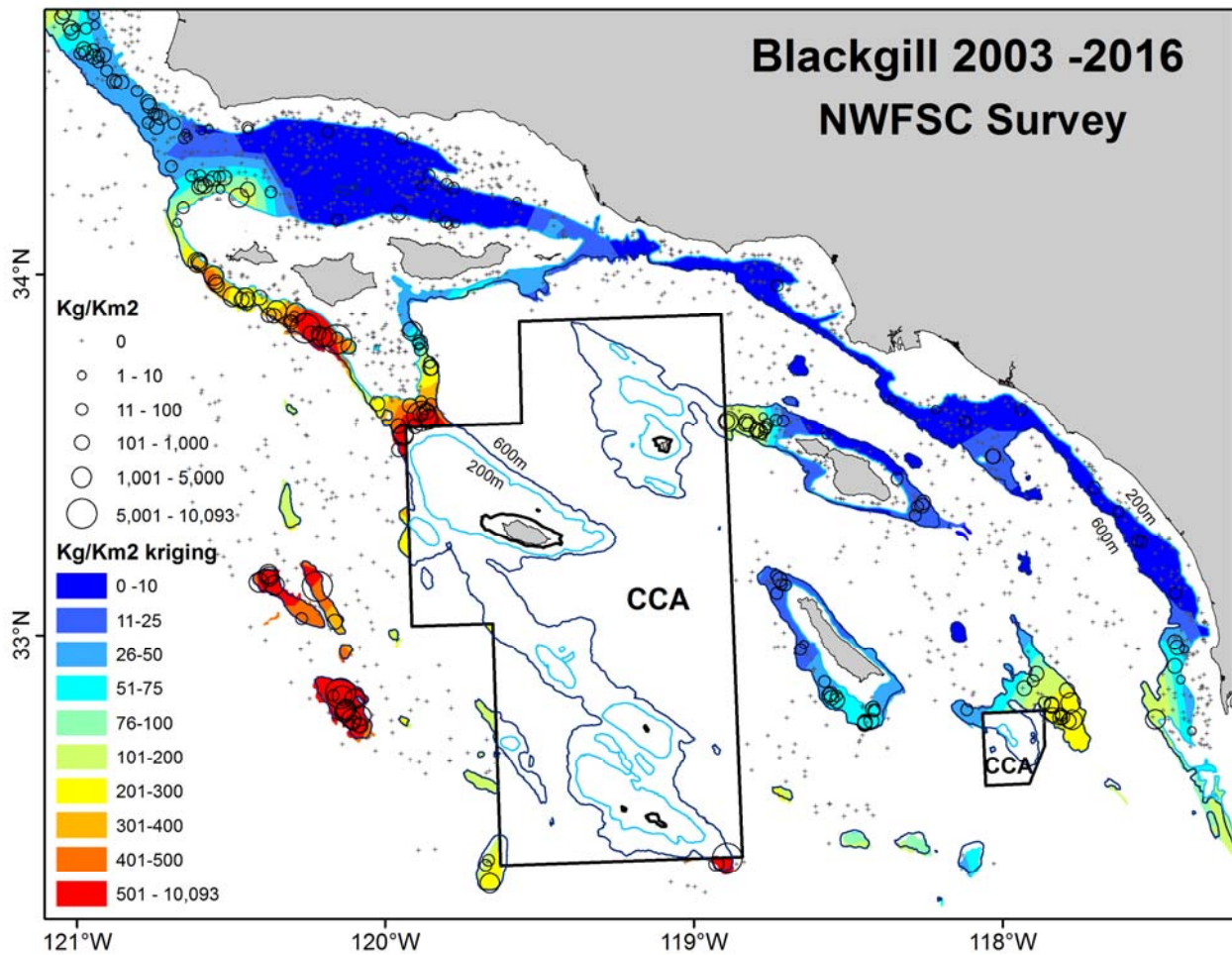


Figure 5: Location and relative CPUE of all NWFSC combined trawl survey hauls in the southern California region (2003-2016), overlaid on a kriged distribution of abundance.

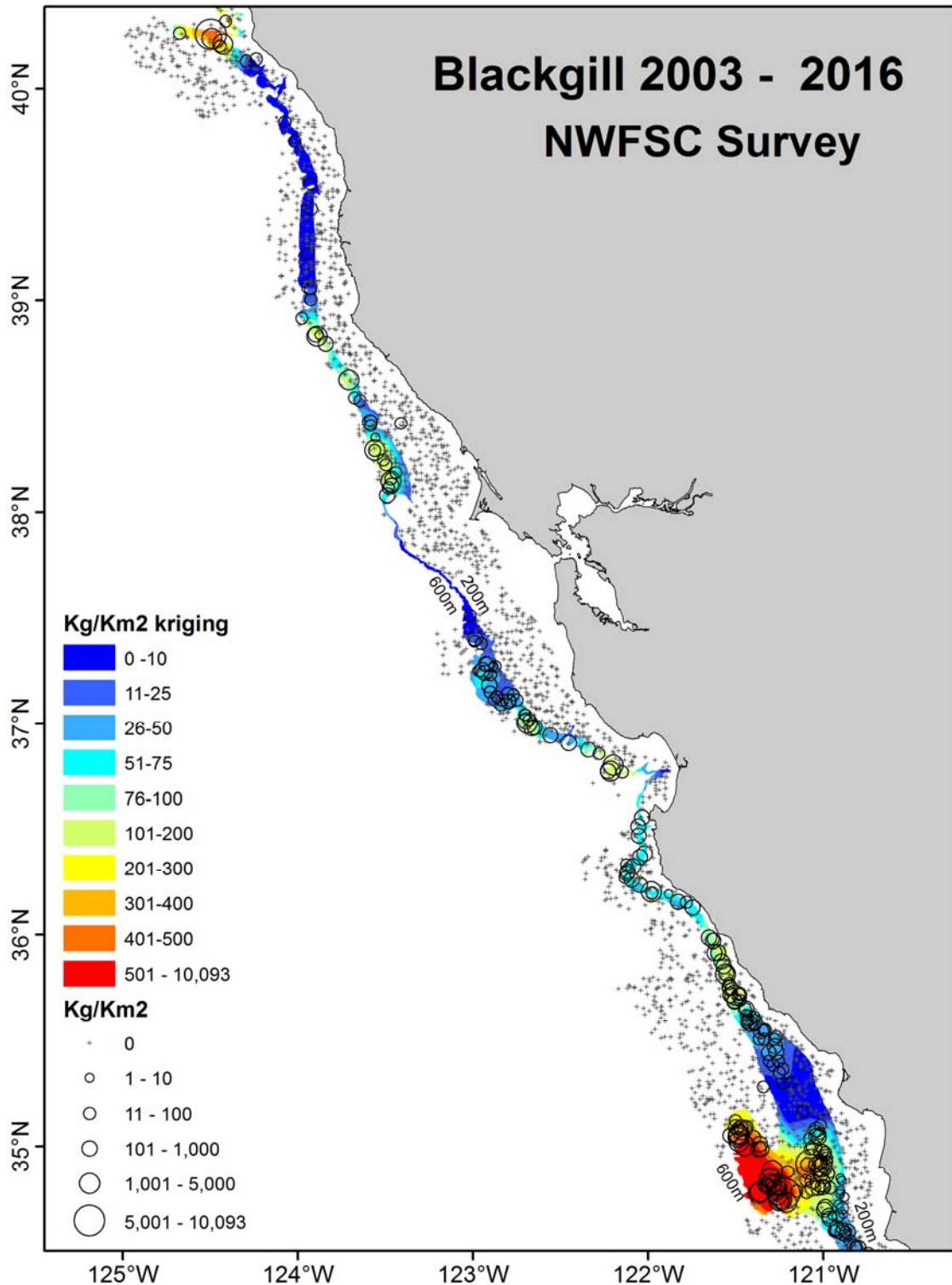


Figure 6: Location and relative CPUE of all NWFSC combined trawl survey hauls in the central California region 2003-2016), overlaid on a kriged abundance estimate .

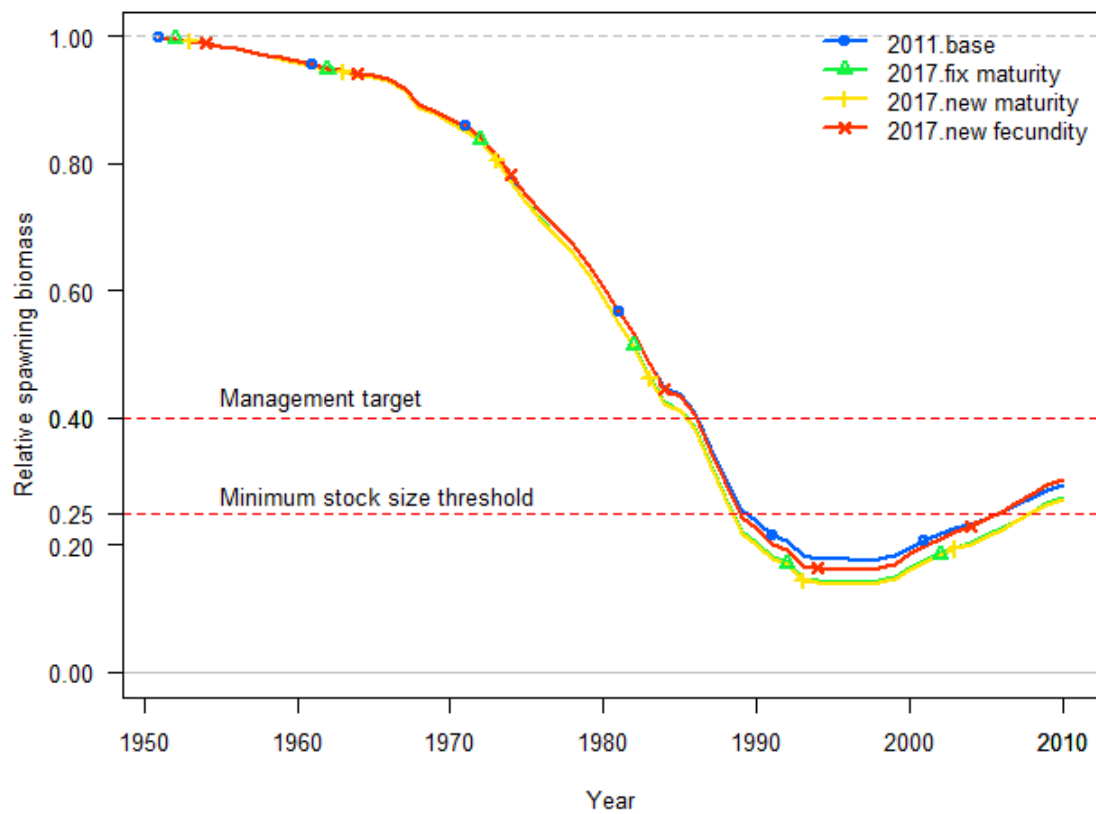
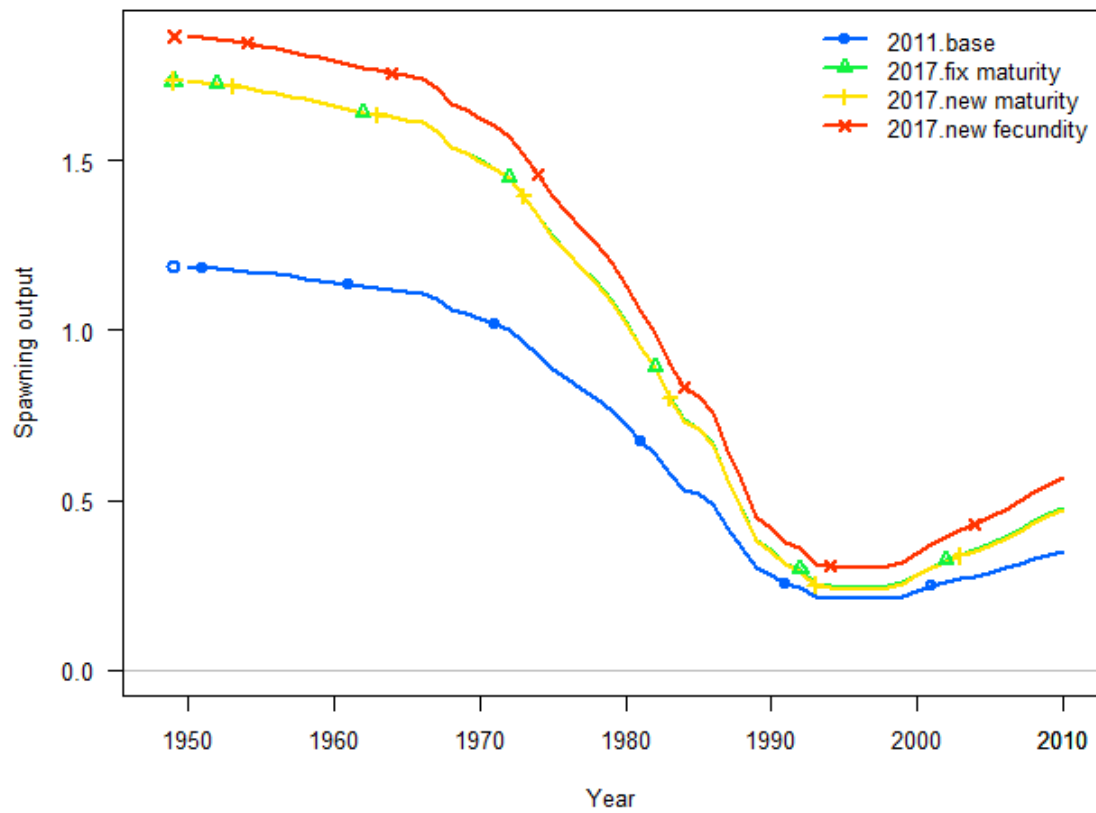


Figure 7a-b: Tracking of model sensitivity to updated life history data from the 2011 base model

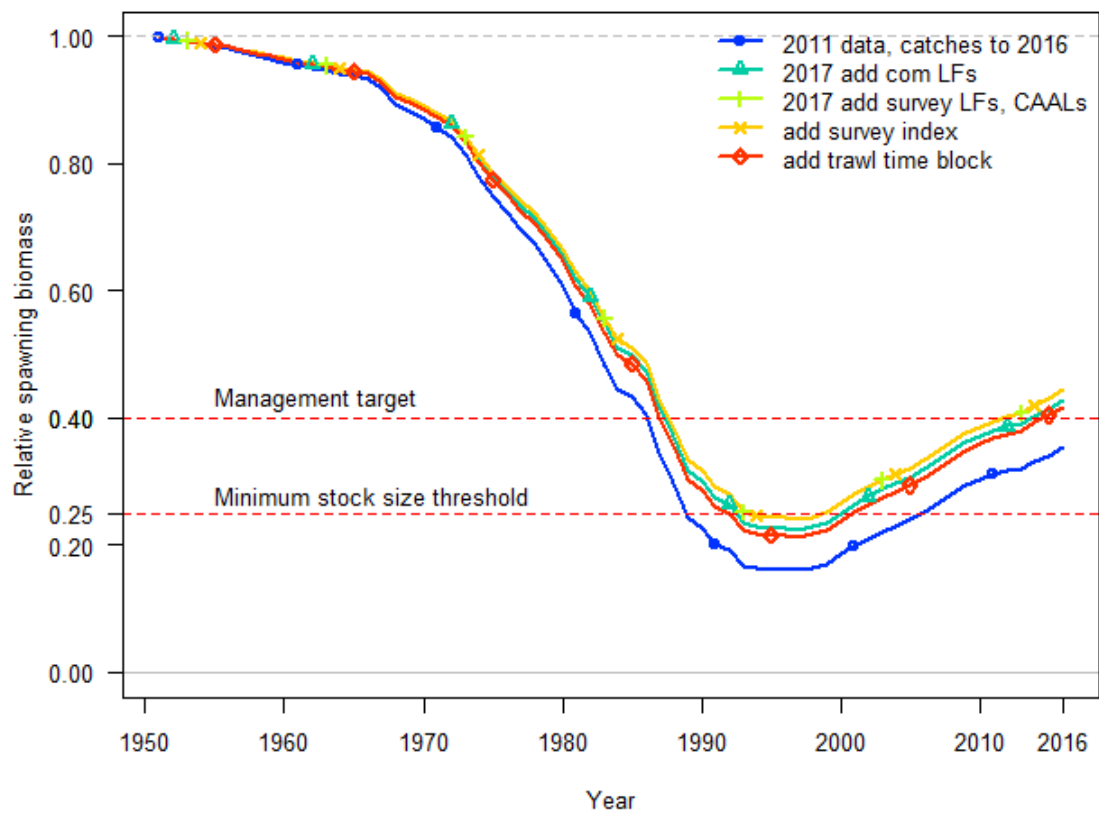
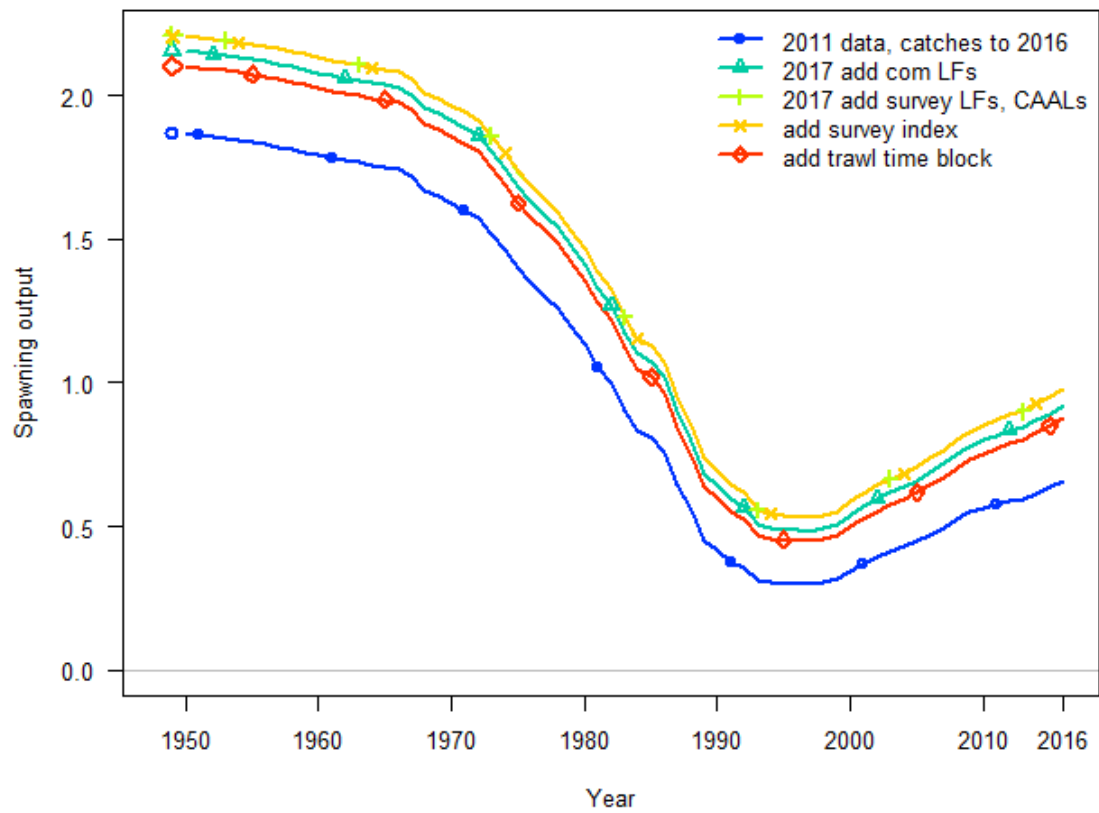


Figure 8a-b: Tracking of model changes to updated data for the 2017 base model

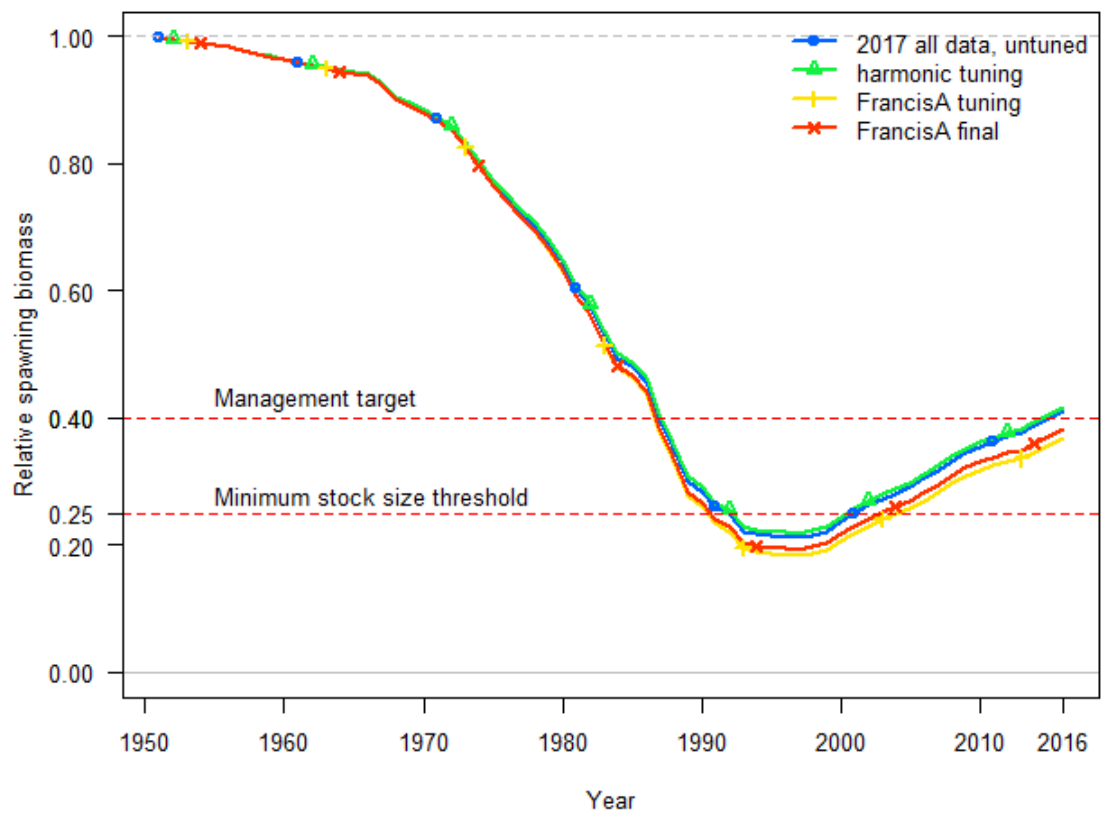
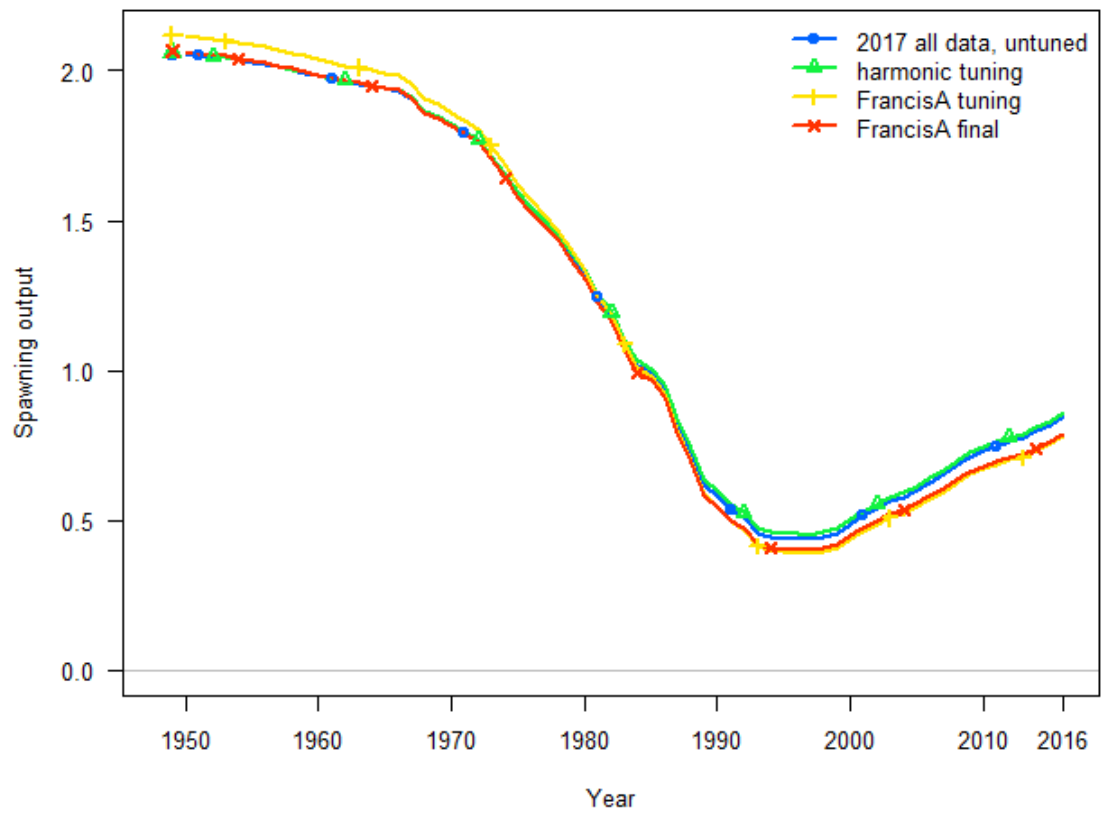


Figure 9a-b: Sensitivity of the model to alternative survey, length composition and conditional age-at-length tuning methods

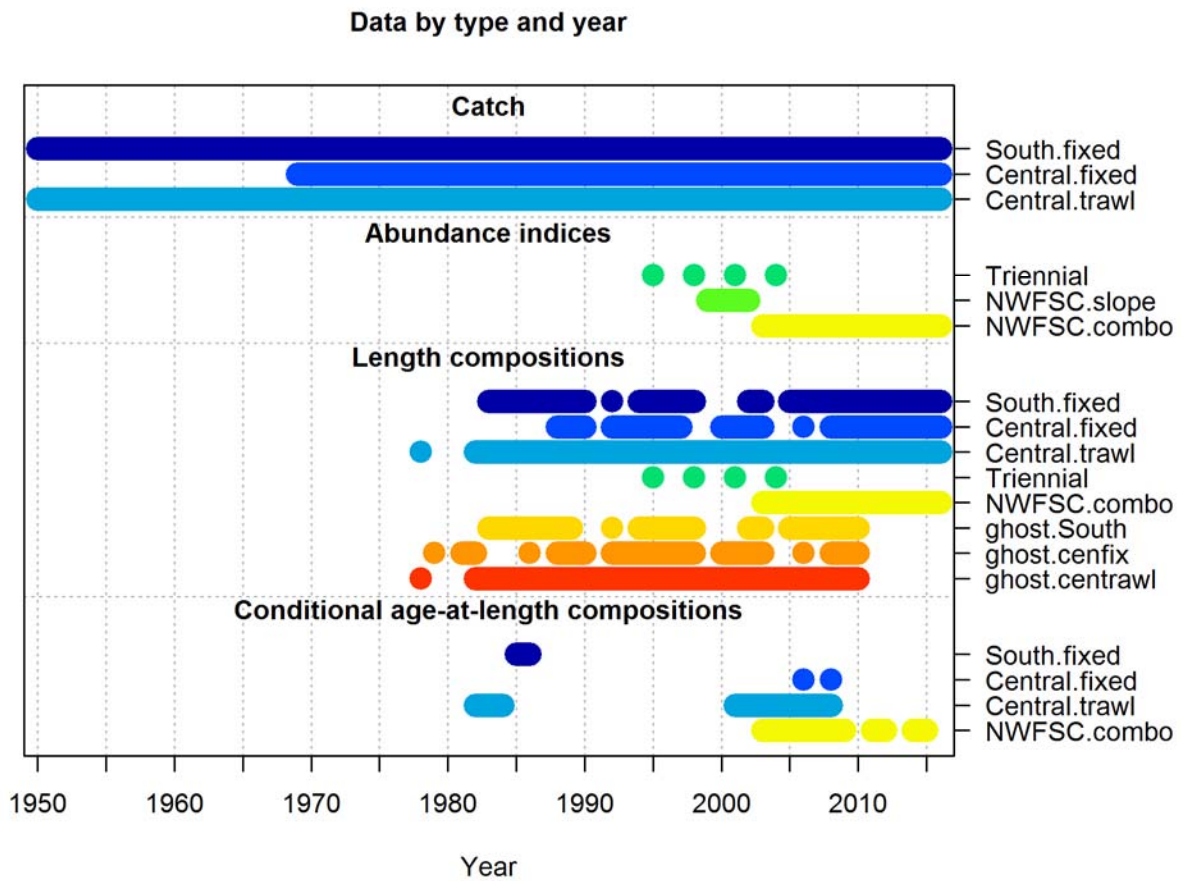


Figure 10: Overview of data sources used in this assessment

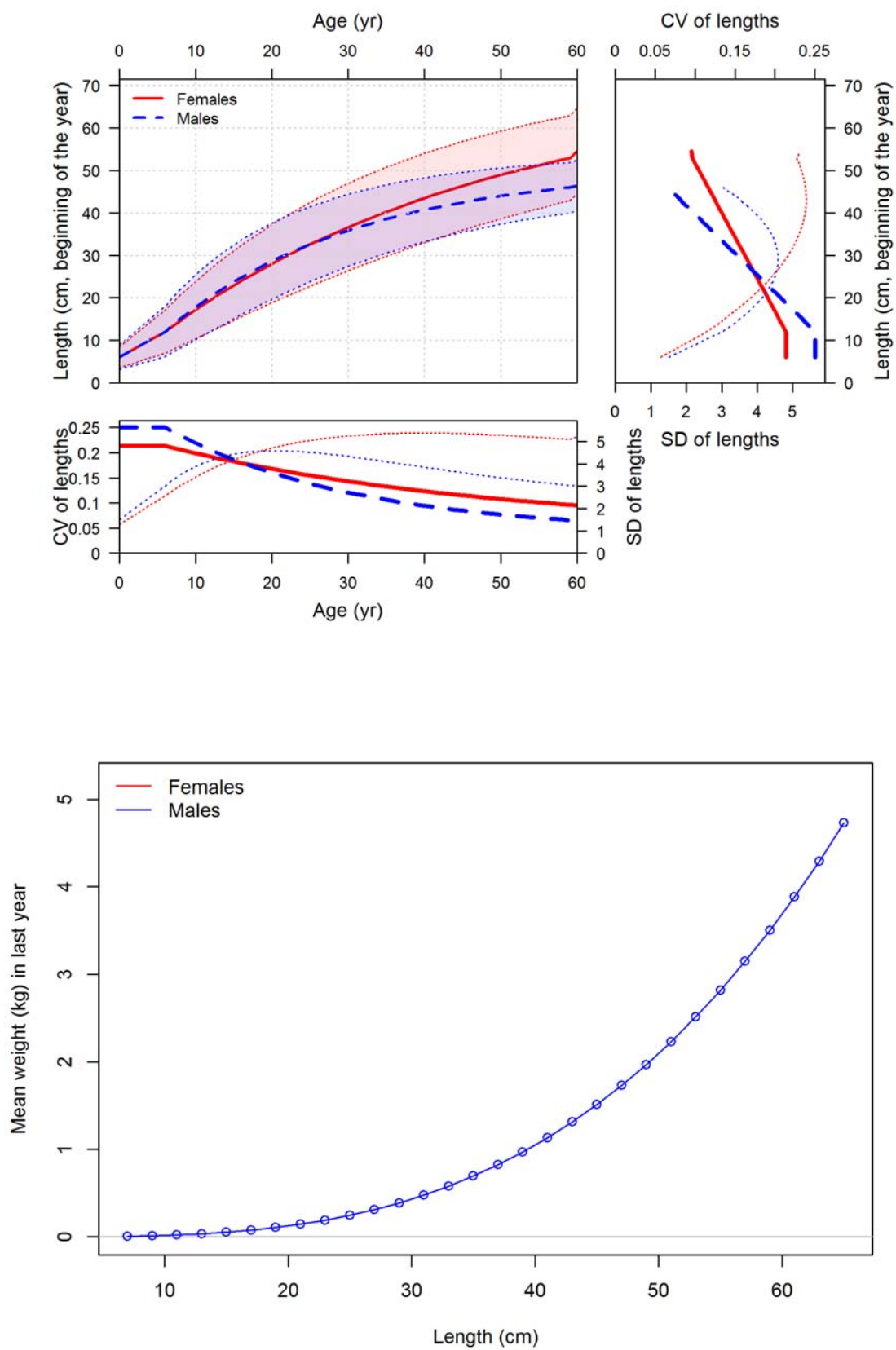


Figure 11a-b Base model life history functions

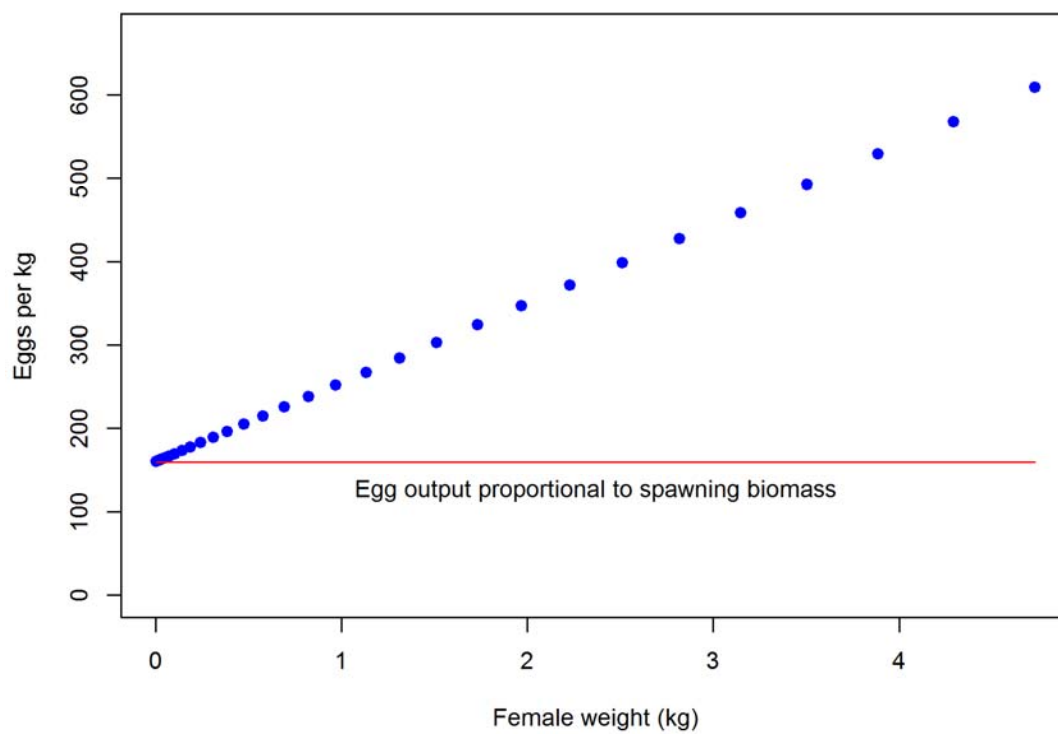
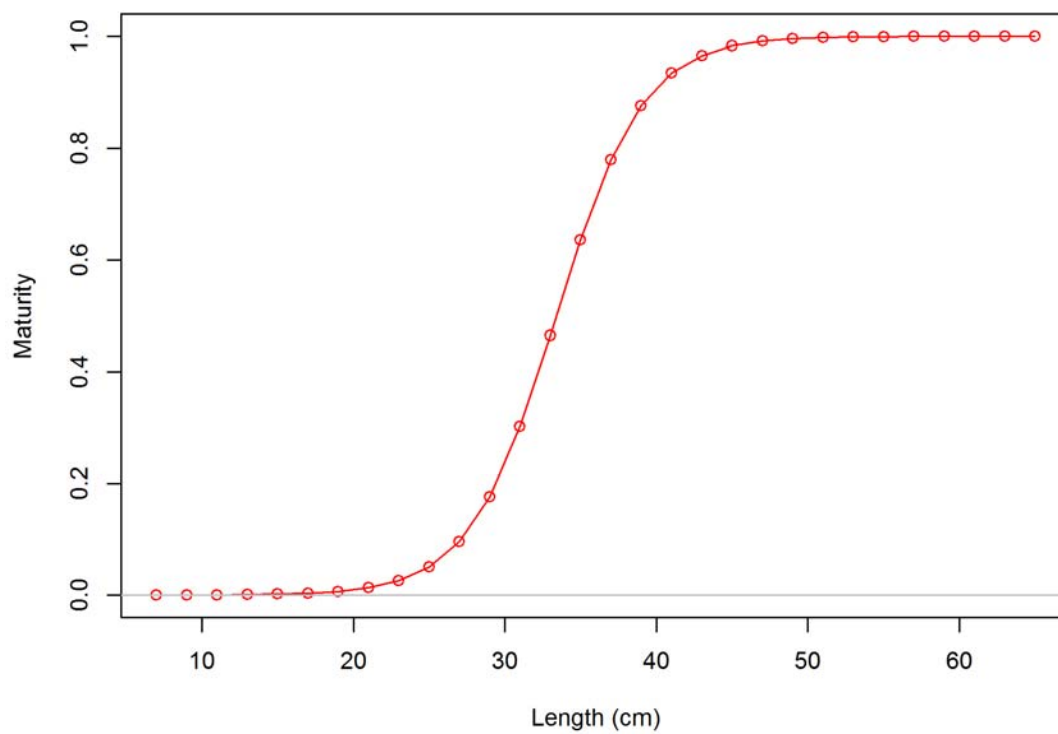


Figure 12 a-b: 2017 base model maturity and relative fecundity functions



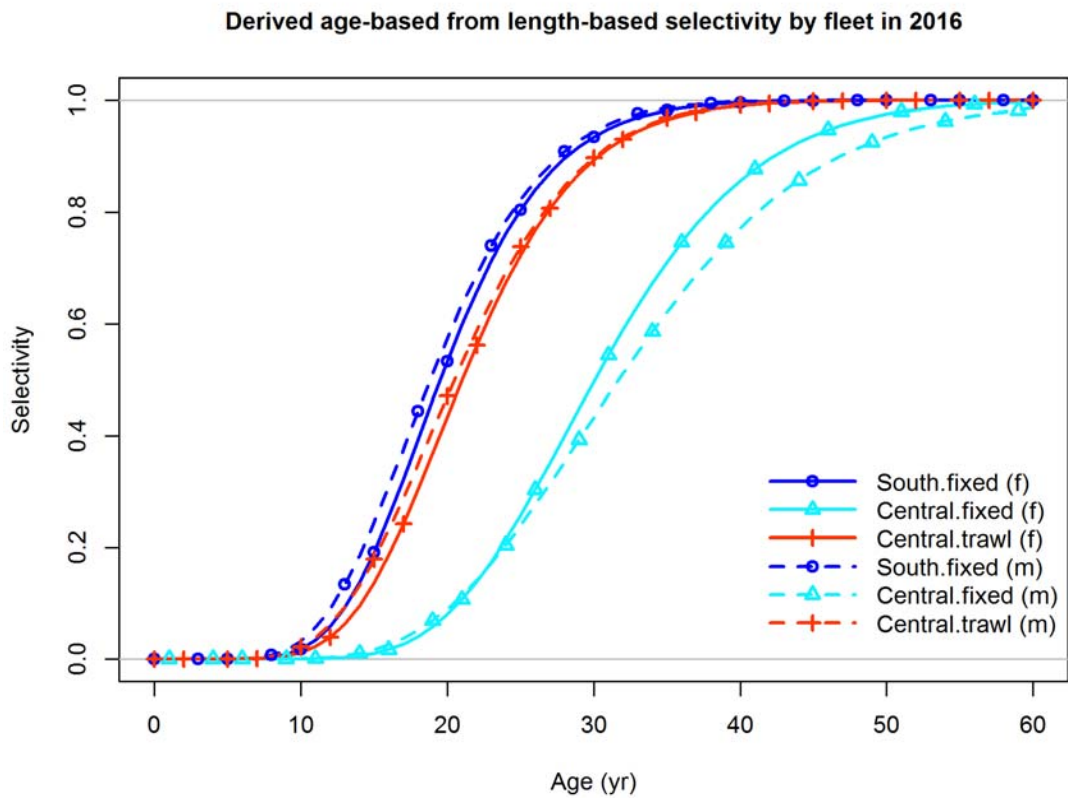
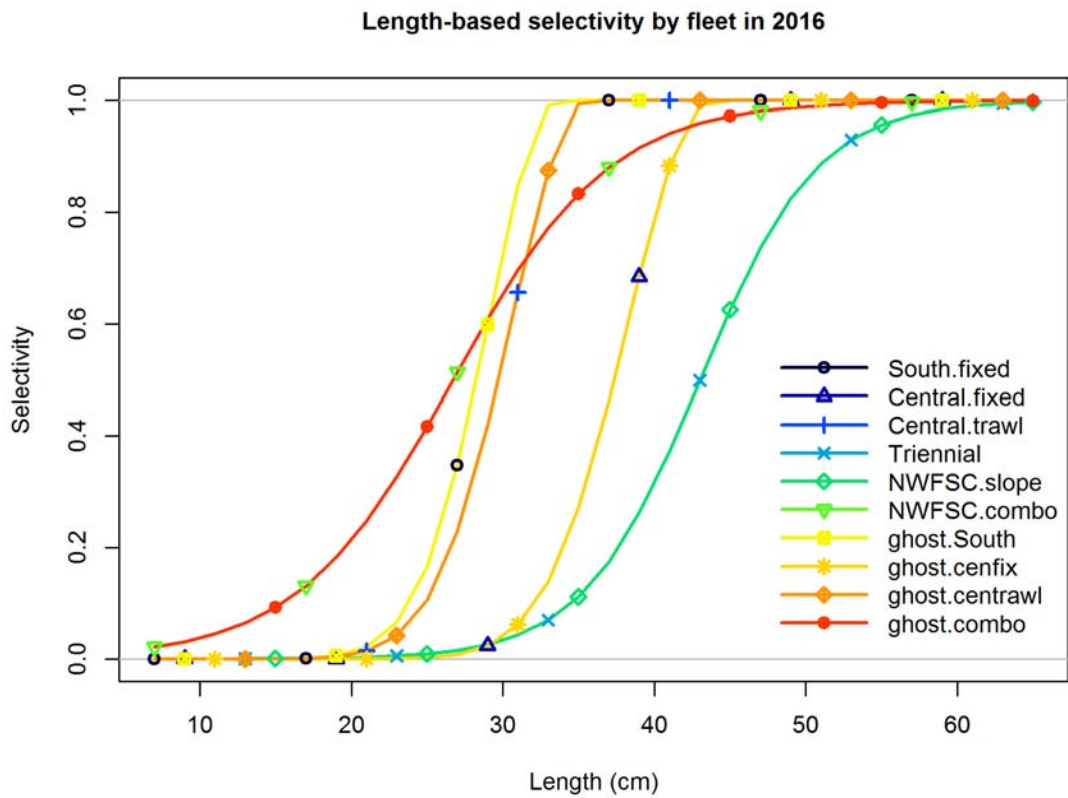
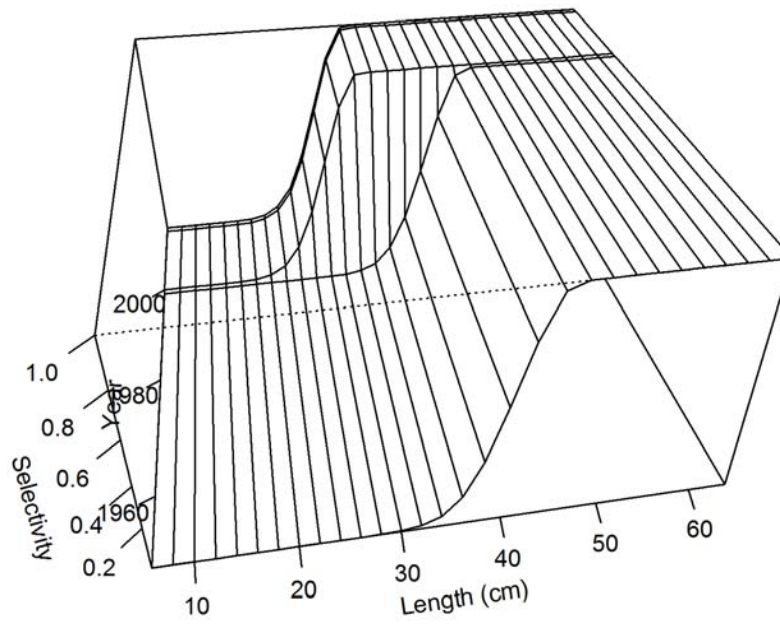


Figure 13 a-b: Estimated selectivity curves for base model surveys and fisheries (top) with derived age-based selectivity (bottom).

**Female time-varying selectivity for South.fixed**



**Female time-varying selectivity for Central.trawl**

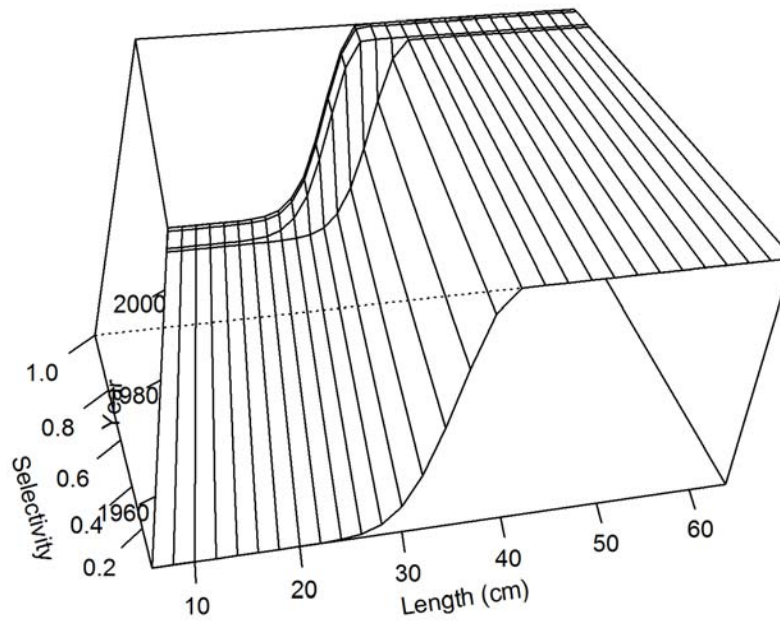


Figure 14 a-b: Estimated selectivity curves for the southern fixed gear fishery (top) and central California trawl (bottom), with associated time blocks

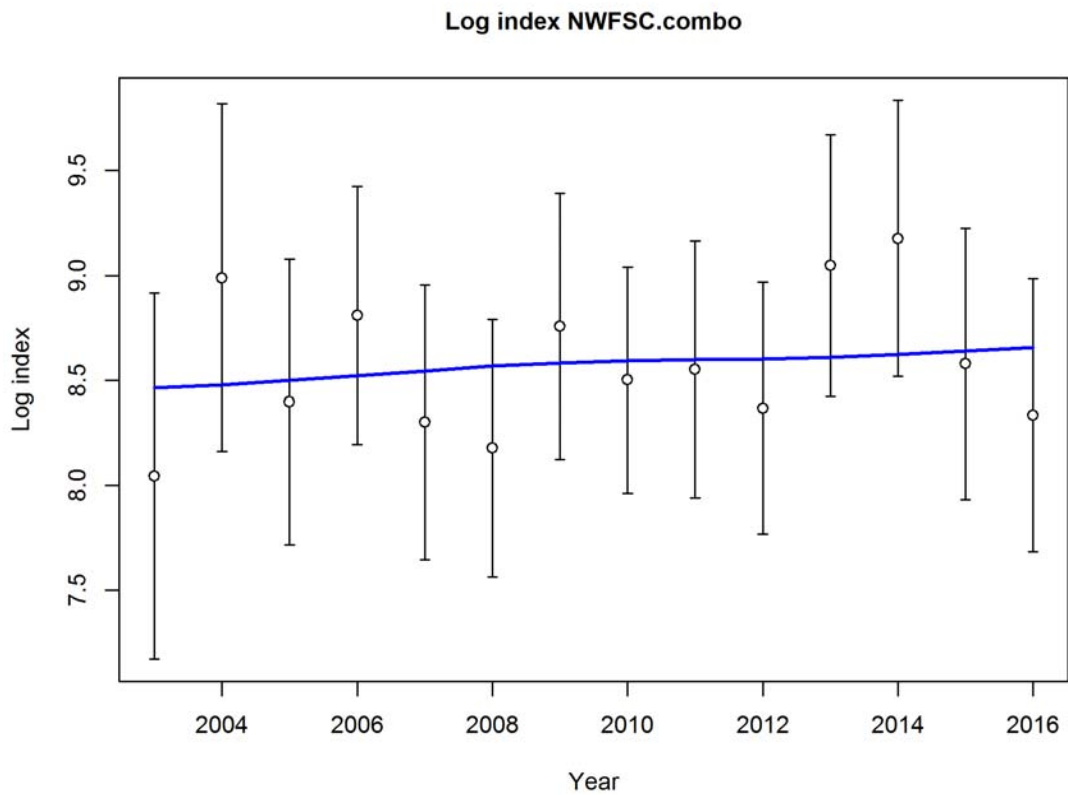
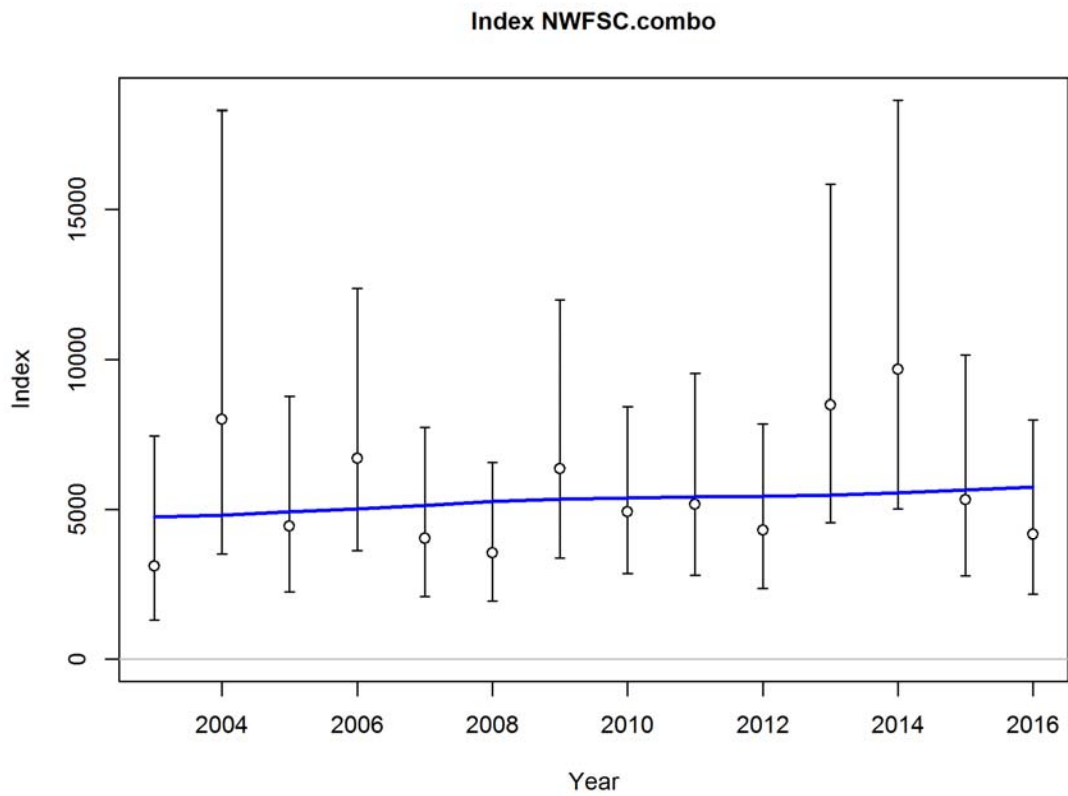


Figure 15 a-b: Fits to the NWFSC combined shelf and slope bottom trawl survey index (2003-2016) in arithmetic (top) and log (bottom) scale.

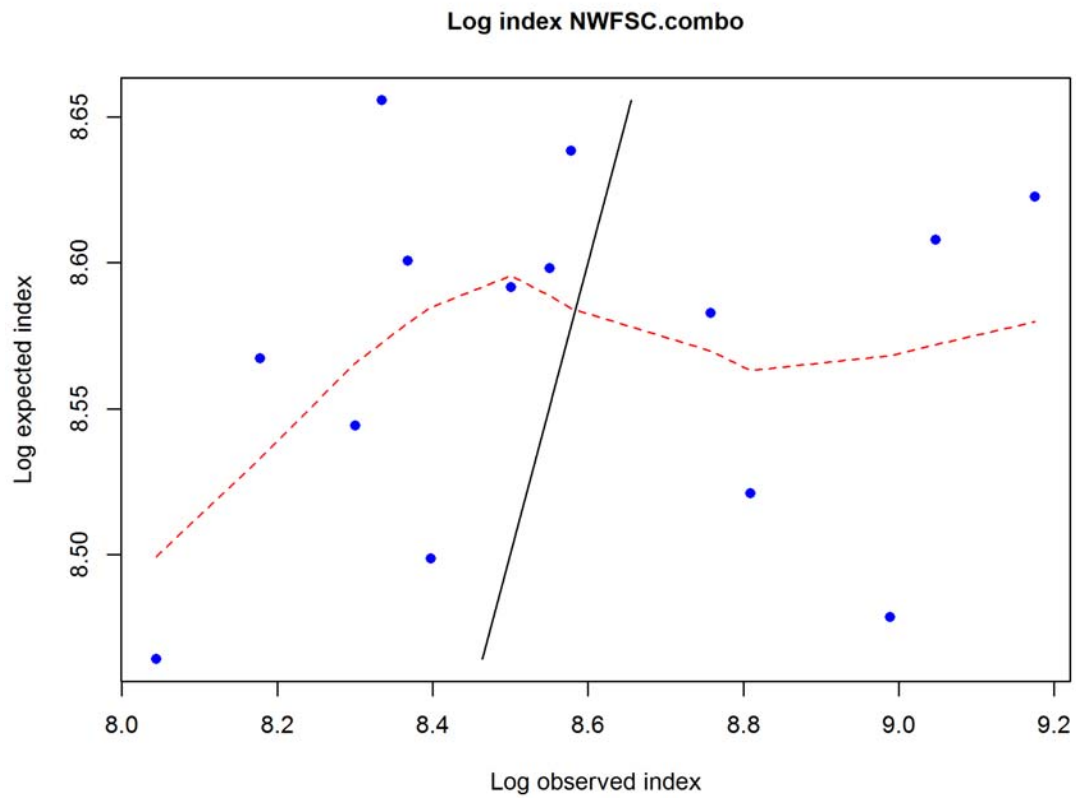
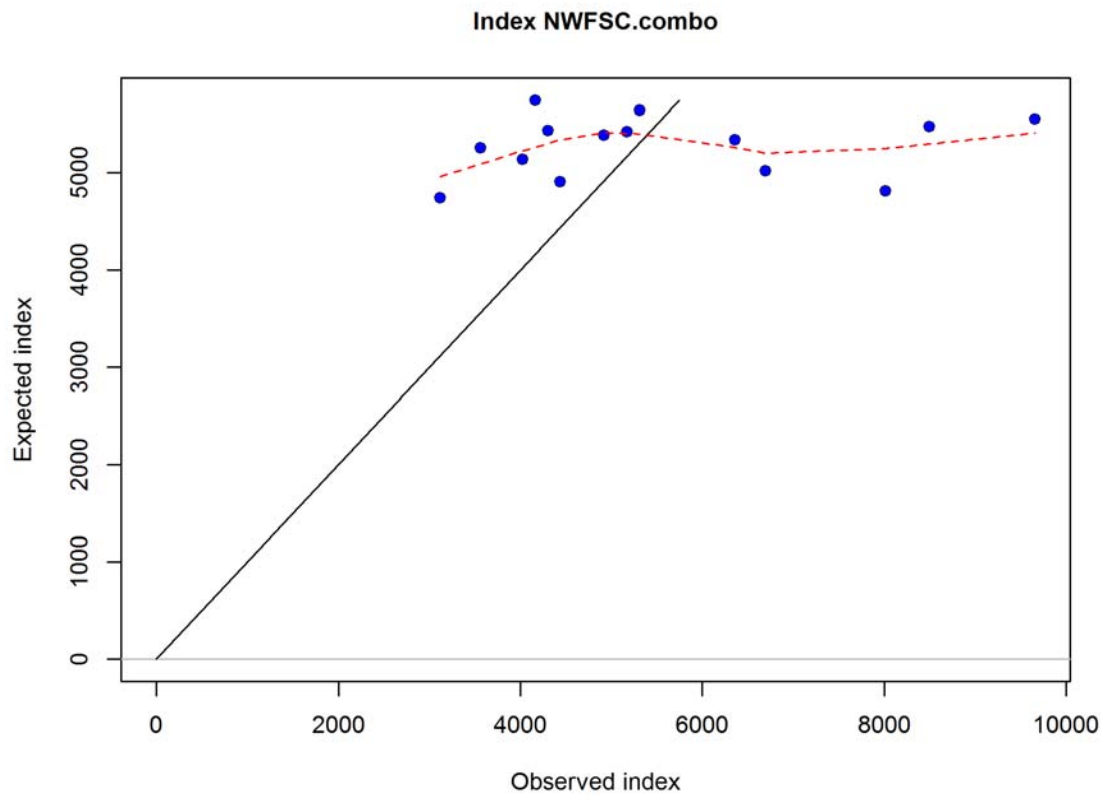


Figure 16 a-b: Observed and predicted values of fits to the NWFSC combined shelf and slope bottom trawl survey index (2003-2016) .

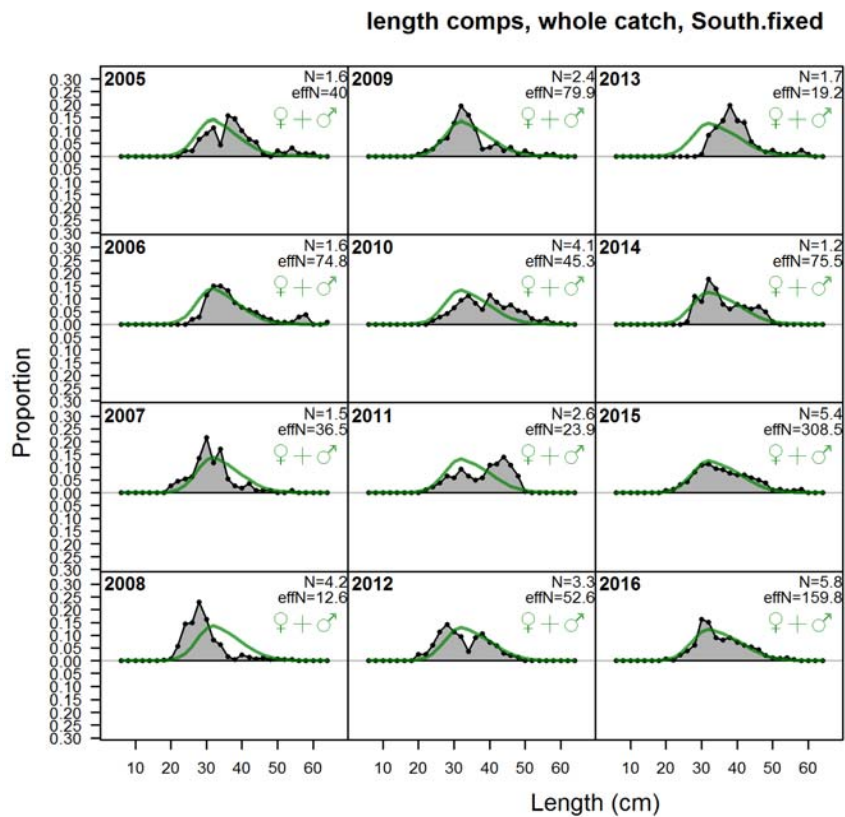
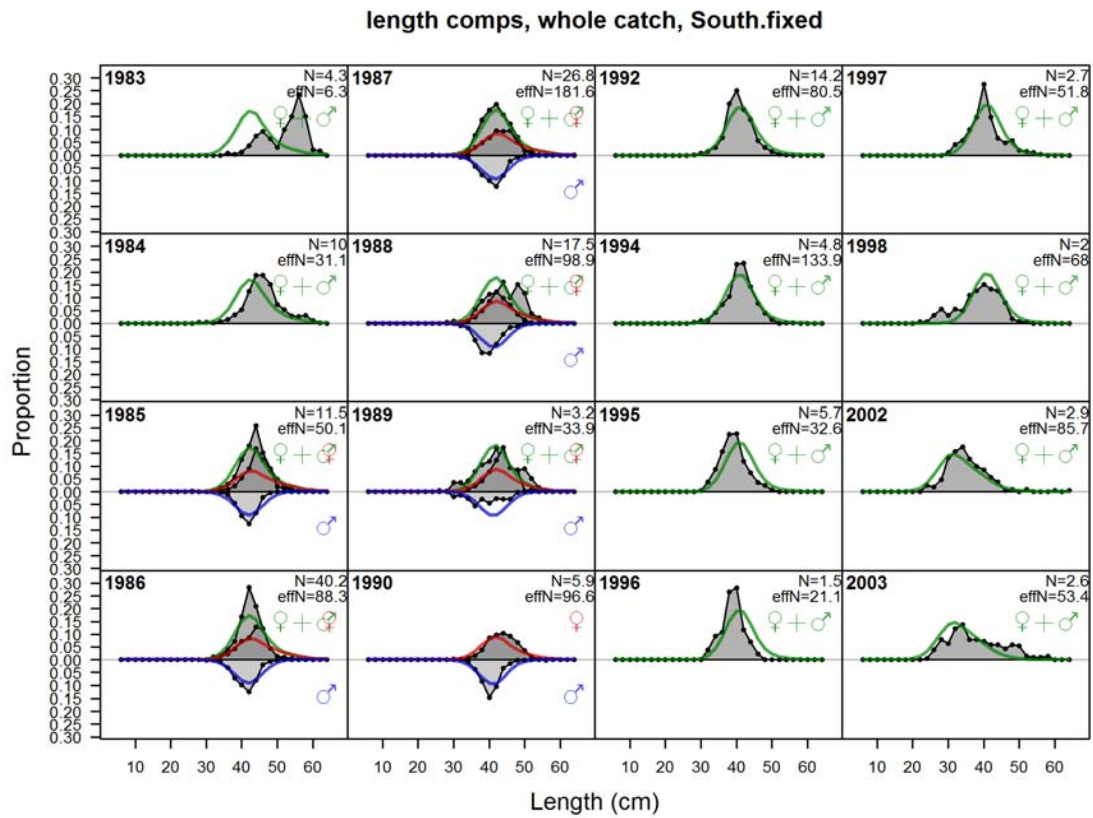


Figure 17 a-b: Observed and predicted length composition data (sexes combined) for the southern California fixed gear fishery (1983-2016)



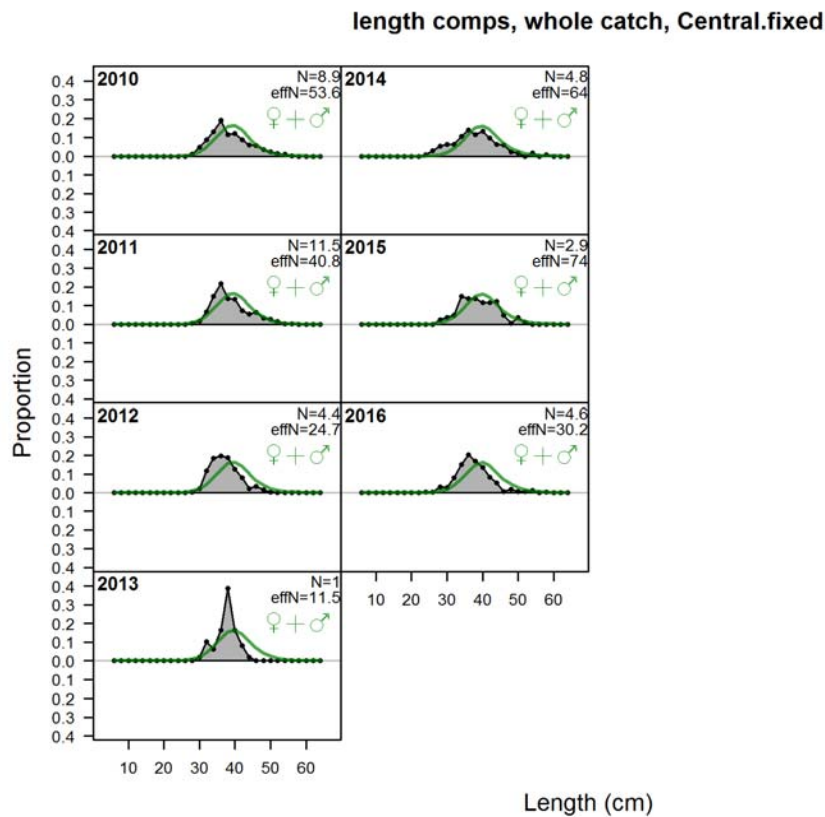
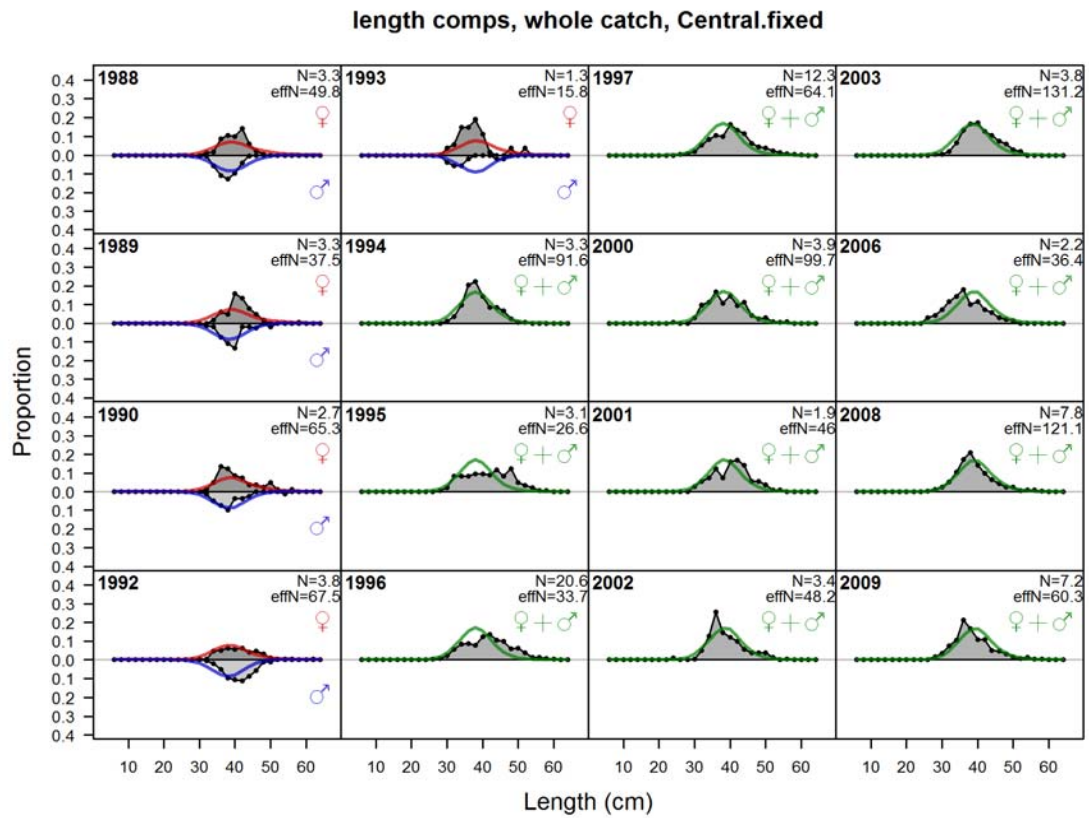


Figure 18 a-b: Observed and predicted length composition data (sexes combined) for the central California fixed gear fishery (1983-2016)

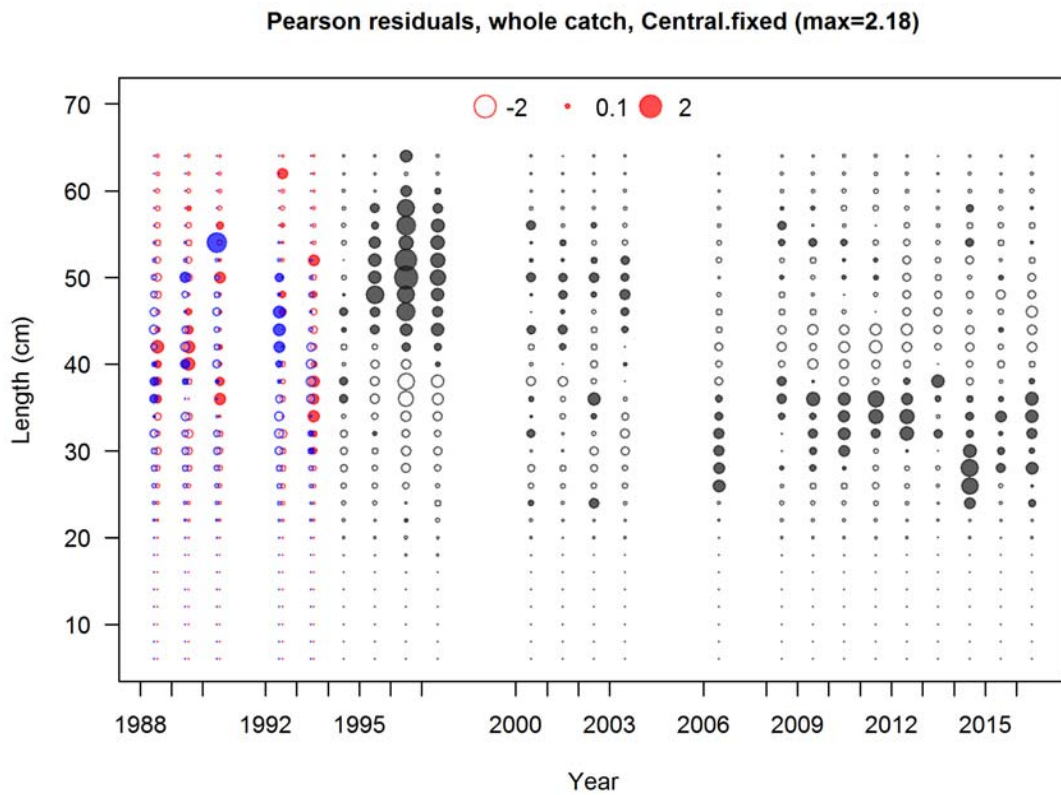
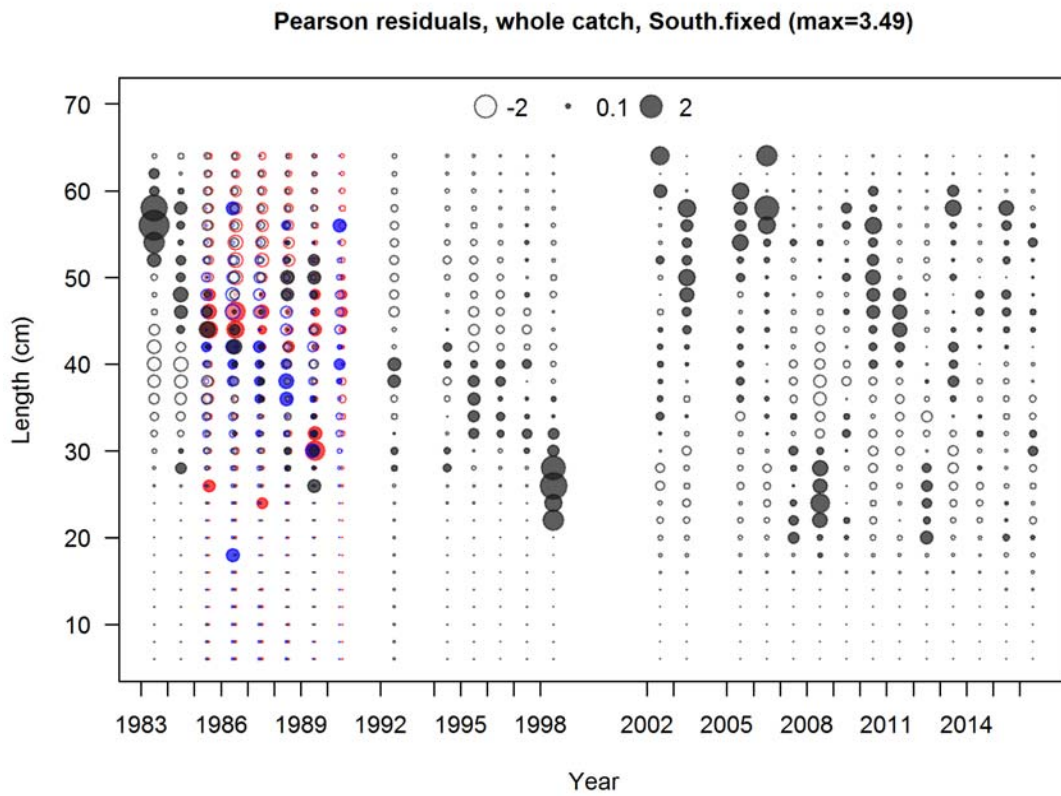


Figure 19 a-b: Residuals for fits to length composition data for the southern fixed gear fishery

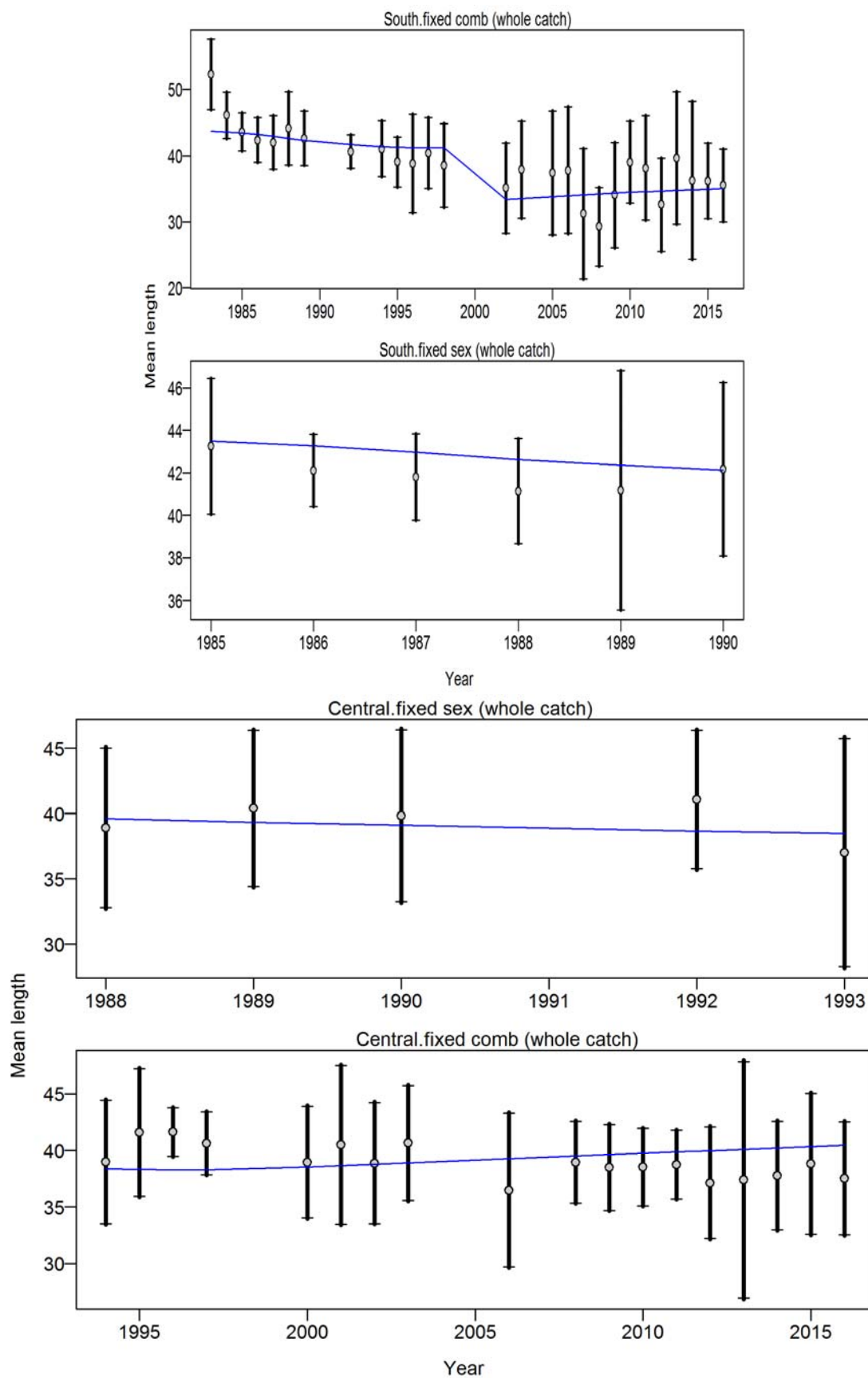


Figure 20 a-b: Fits to mean lengths for the southern and central fixed gear fisheries



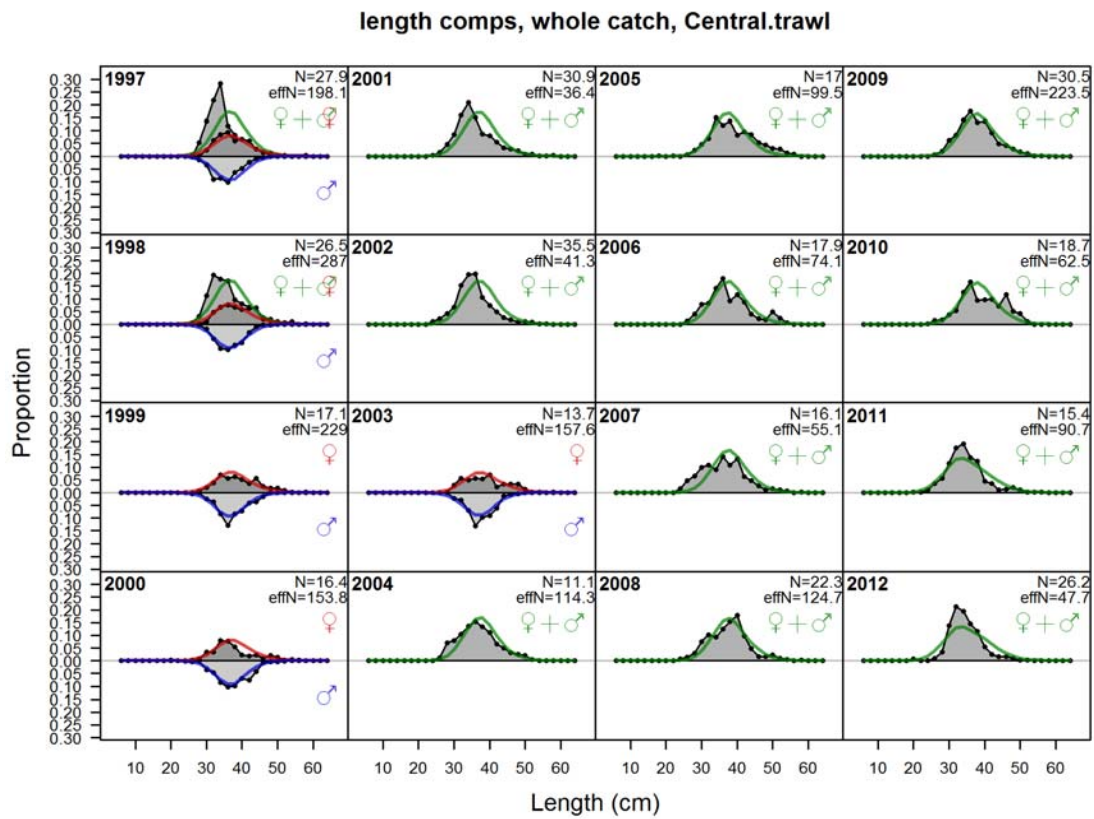
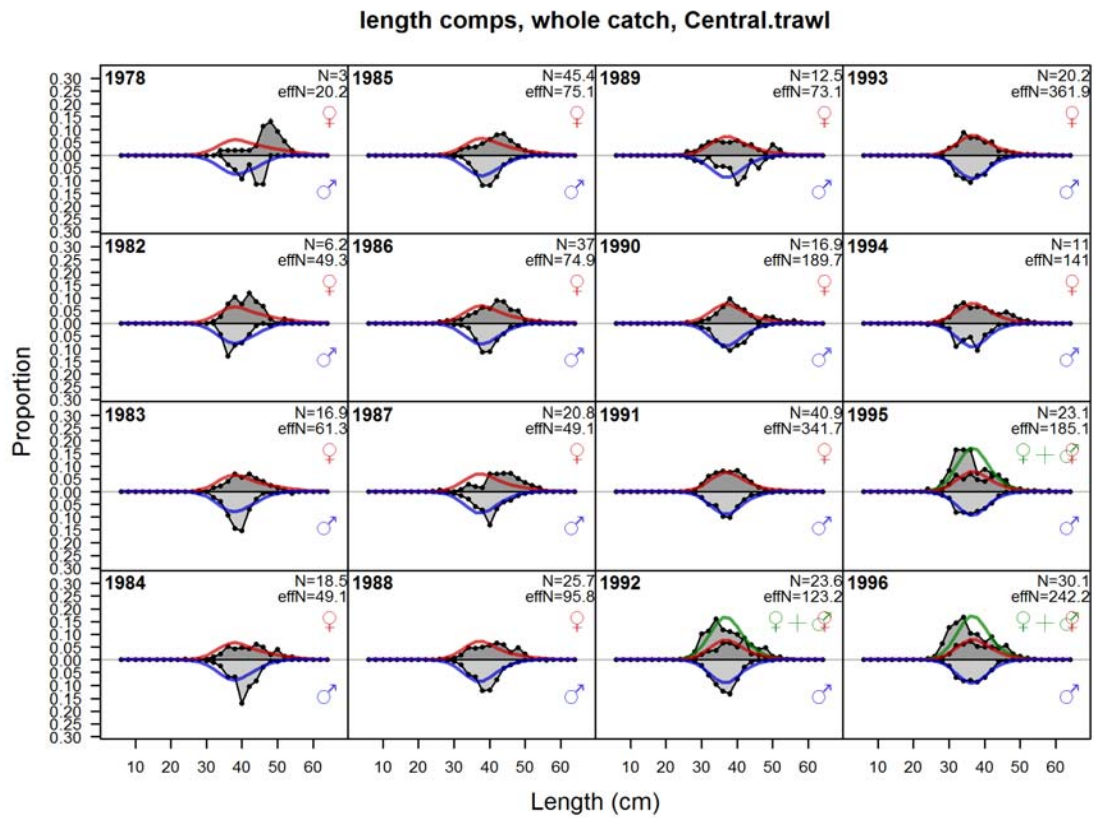


Figure 21 a-b: Observed and predicted length composition data (sexes combined) for the central California fixed gear fishery (1983-2016)

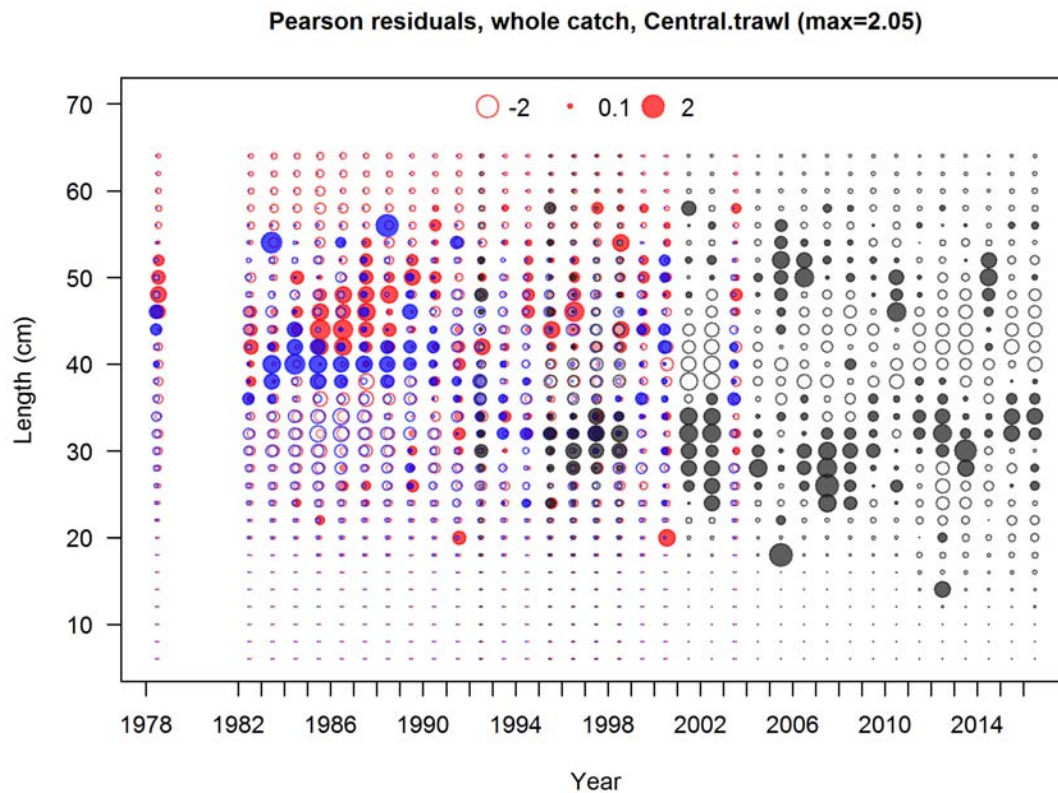
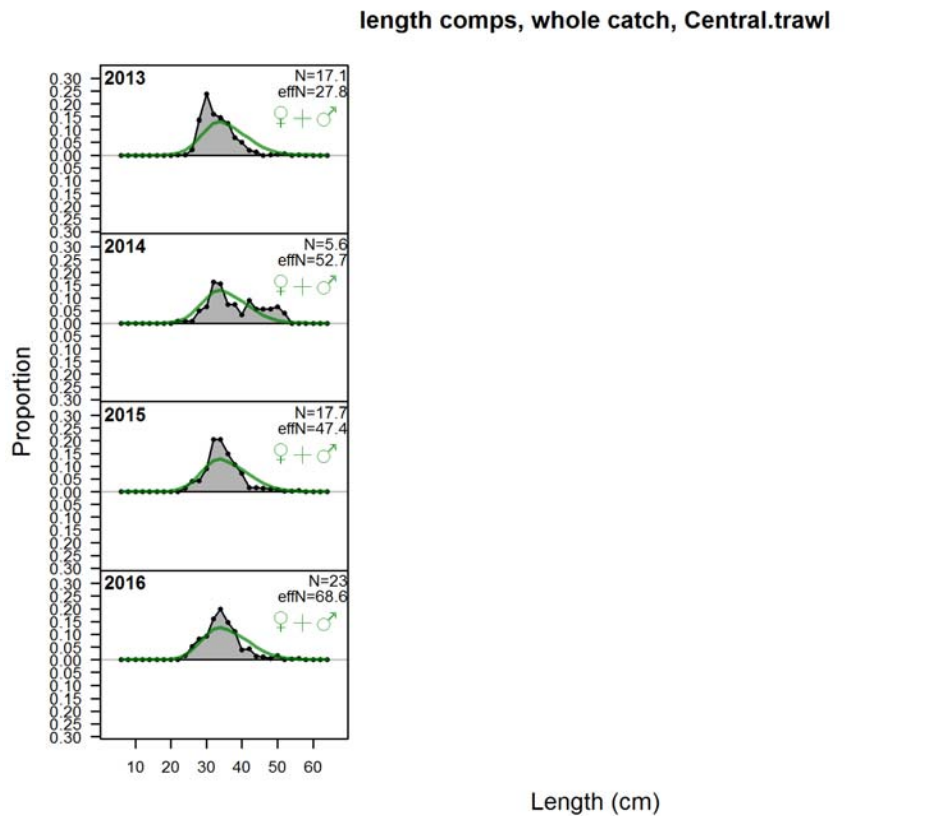


Figure 22 a-b: Residuals (top) and effective sample sizes by year (bottom) for combined sex length frequency data from the central California fixed gear fishery (1994-2010)

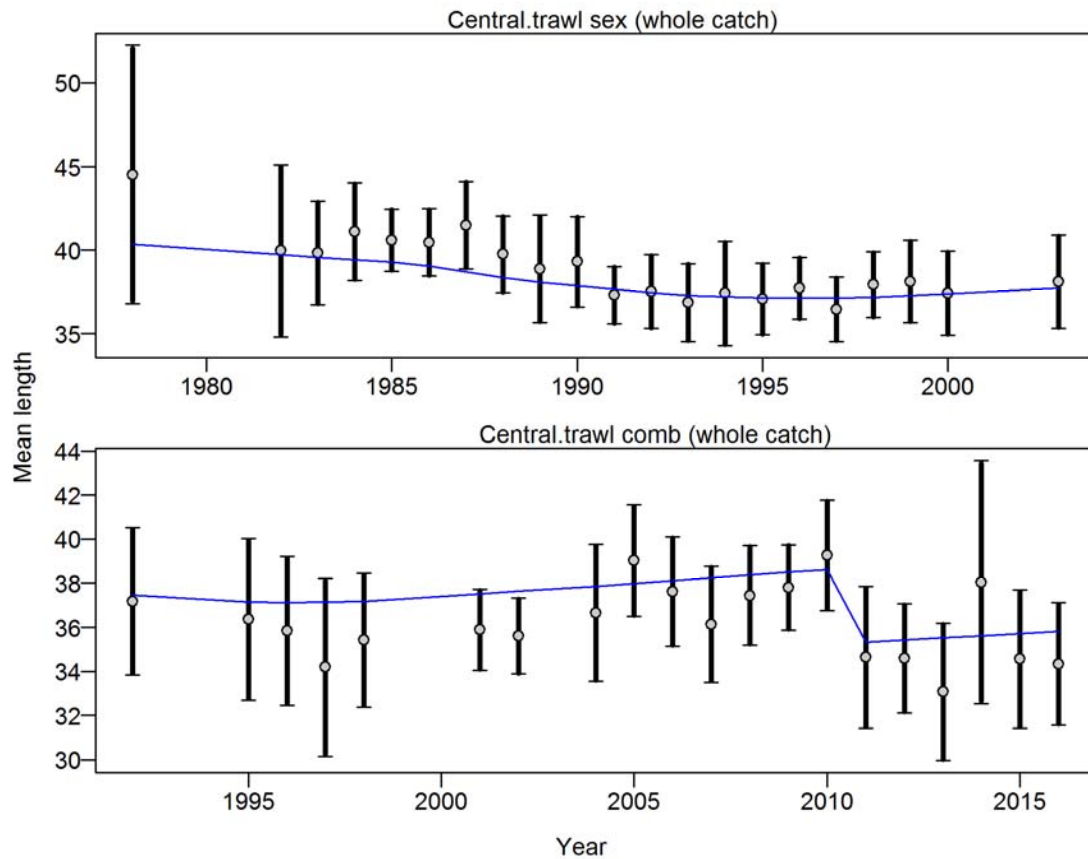


Figure 23 a-b: Fits to mean length data for the central trawl fishery.

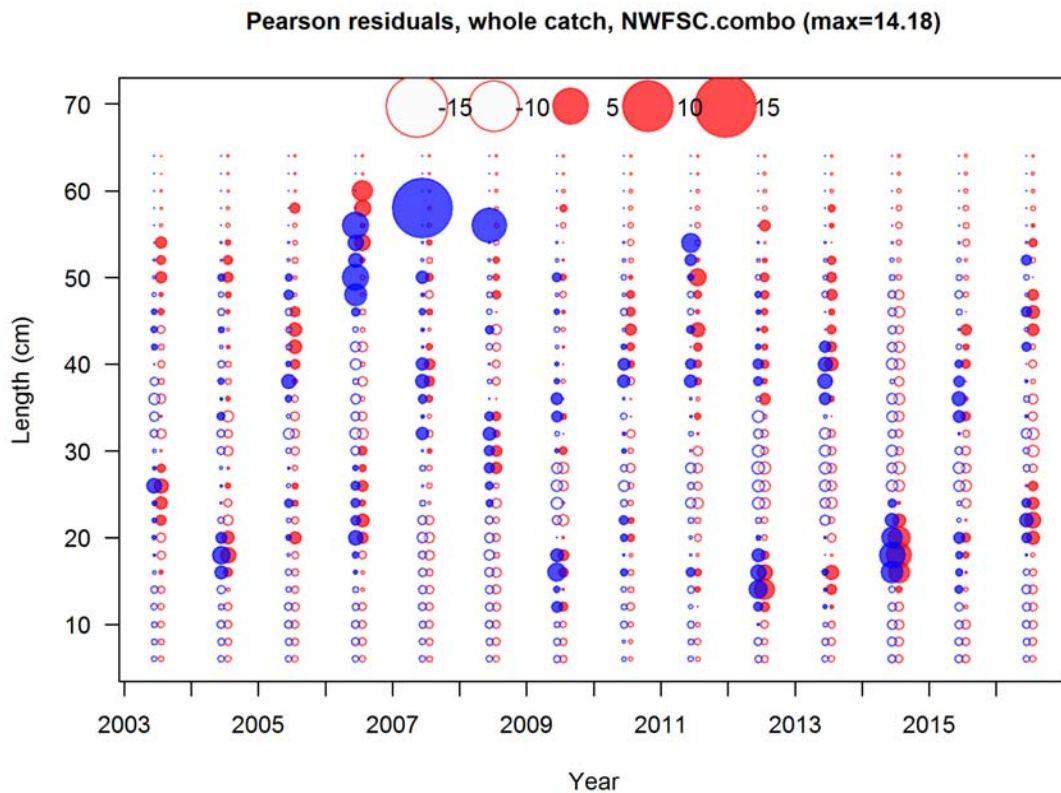
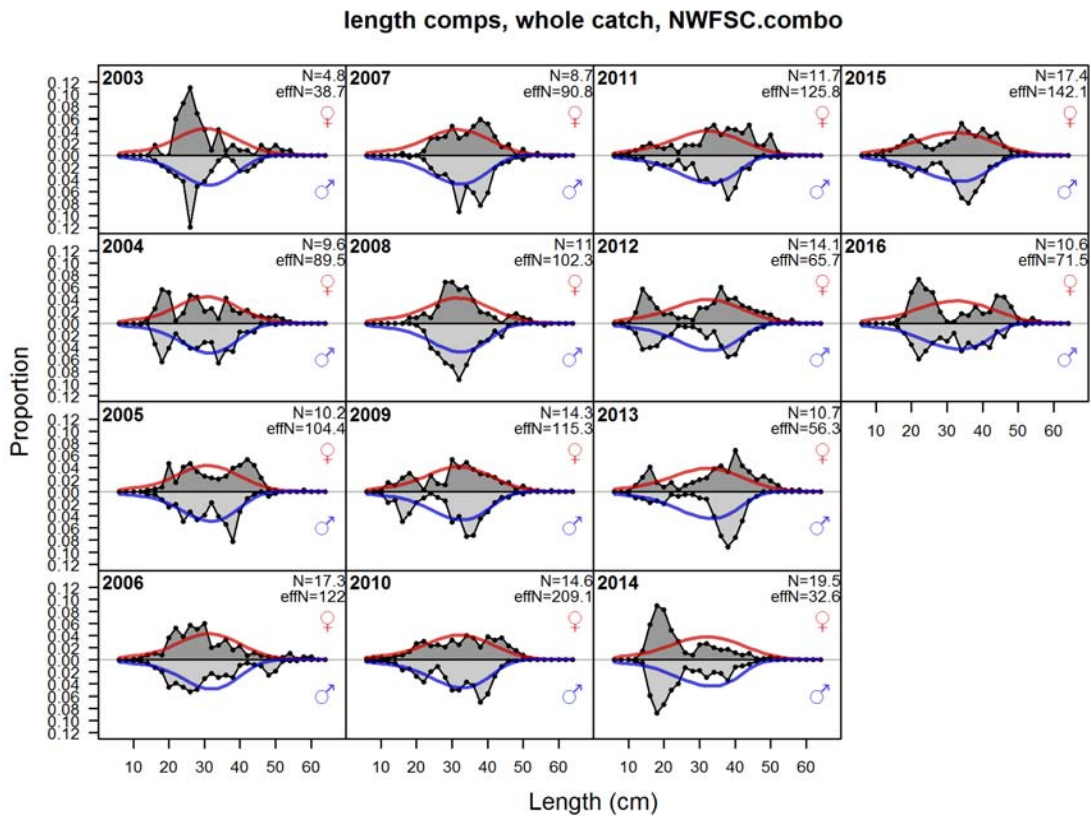


Figure 24 a-b: Observed and predicted length composition data (by sexes for the NWFSC combined bottom trawl survey (2003-2016)

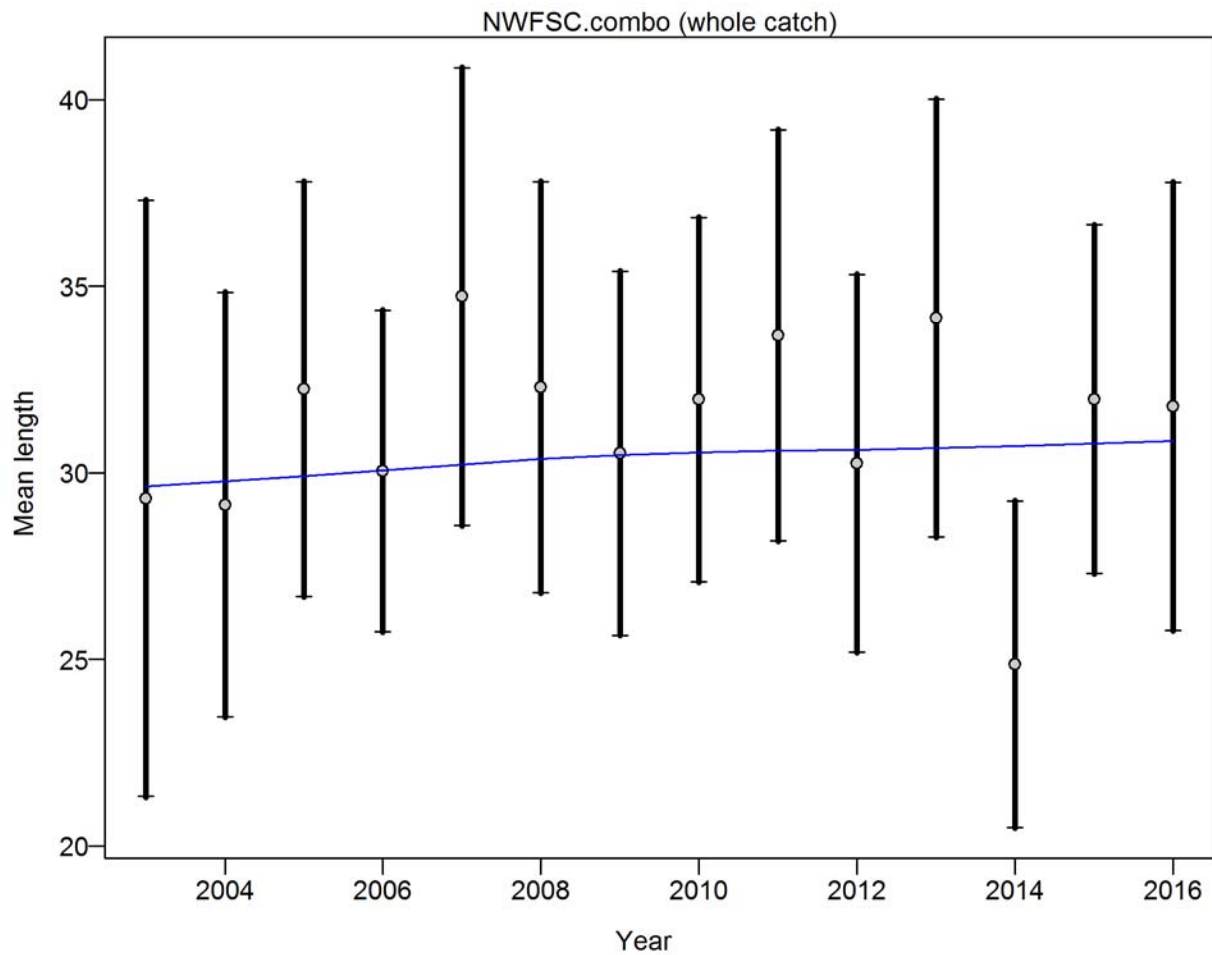


Figure 25: Fits to mean length data for the NWFSC combined bottom trawl survey



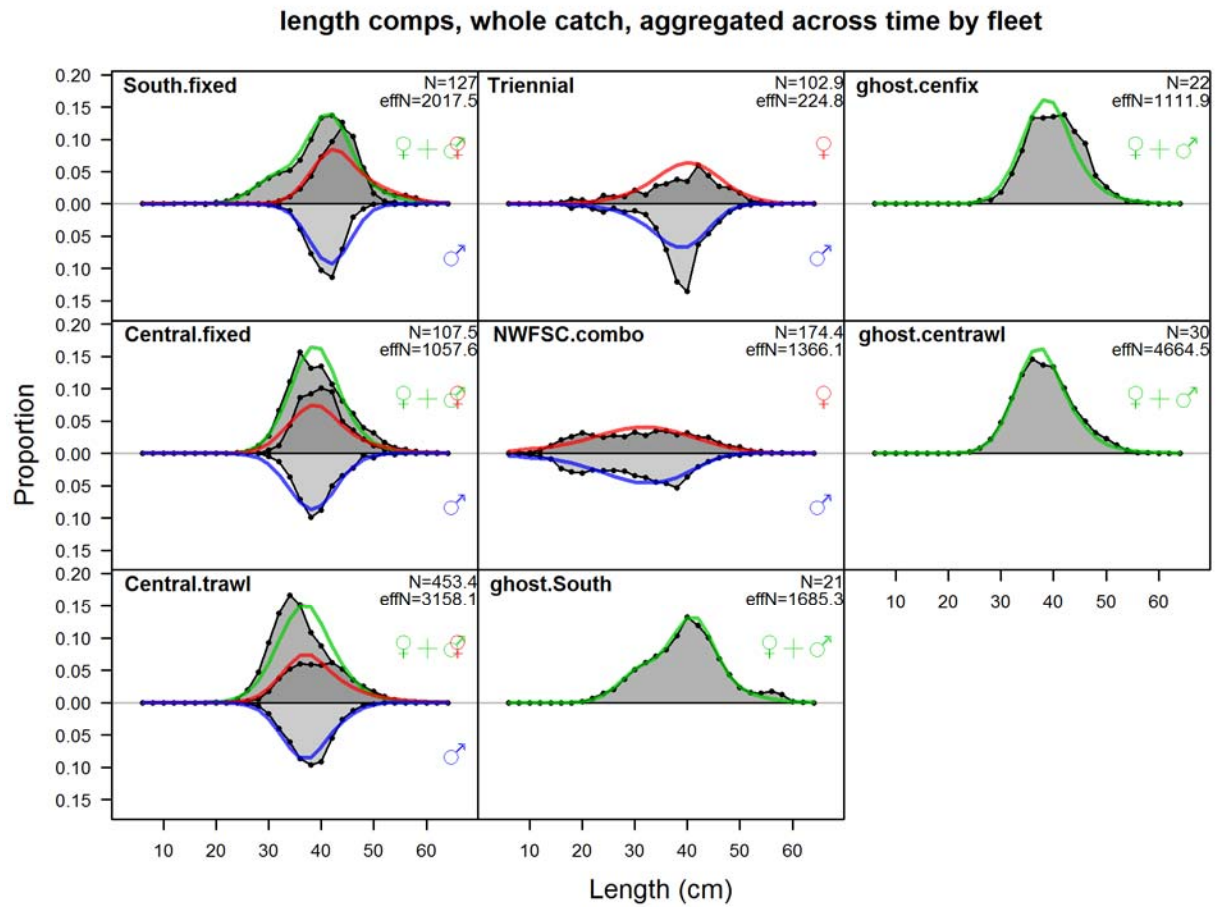


Figure 26: Observed and predicted length composition data aggregated across all years for the three commercial fisheries (“ghost” fisheries reflect data to 2010 only).

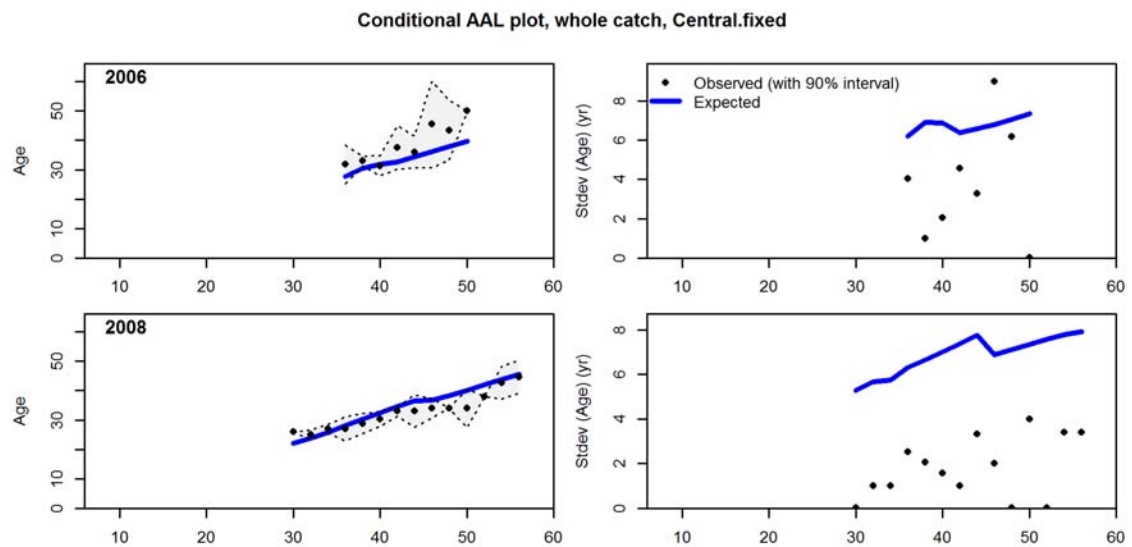
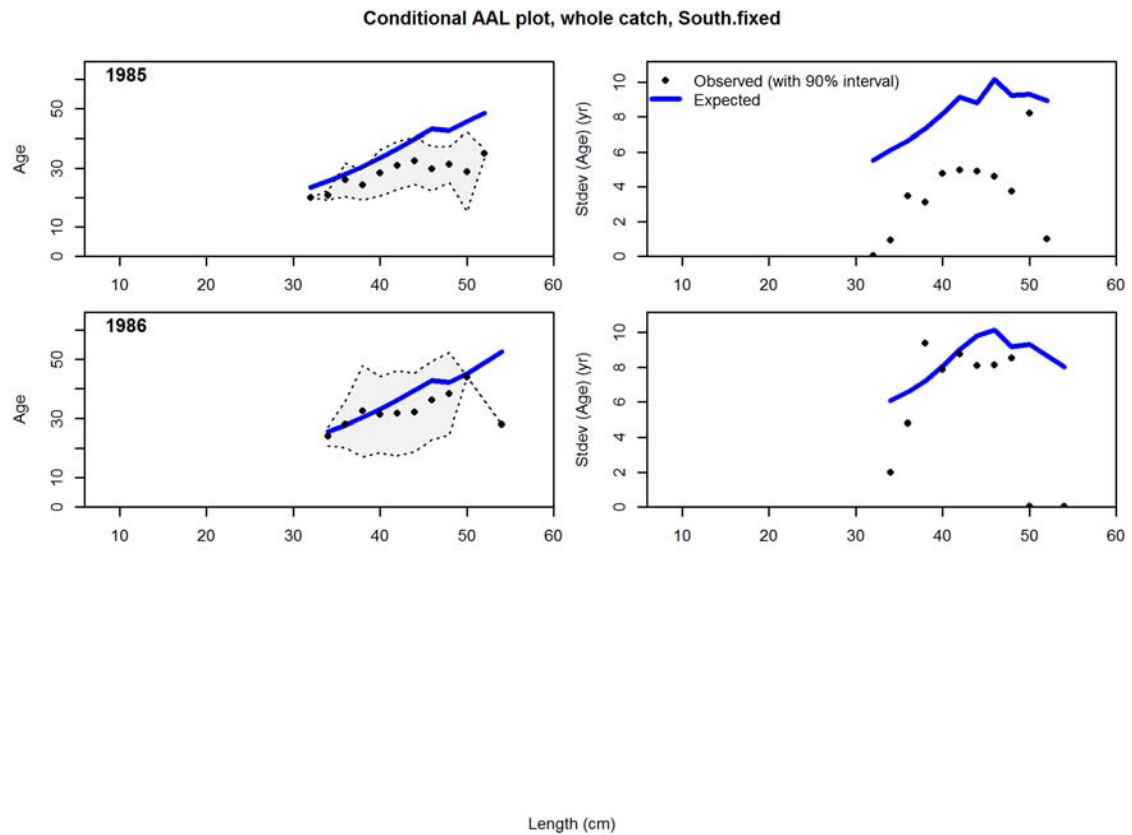


Figure 27 a-b: Fits to conditional age-at-length data for the southern and central fixed gear fisheries

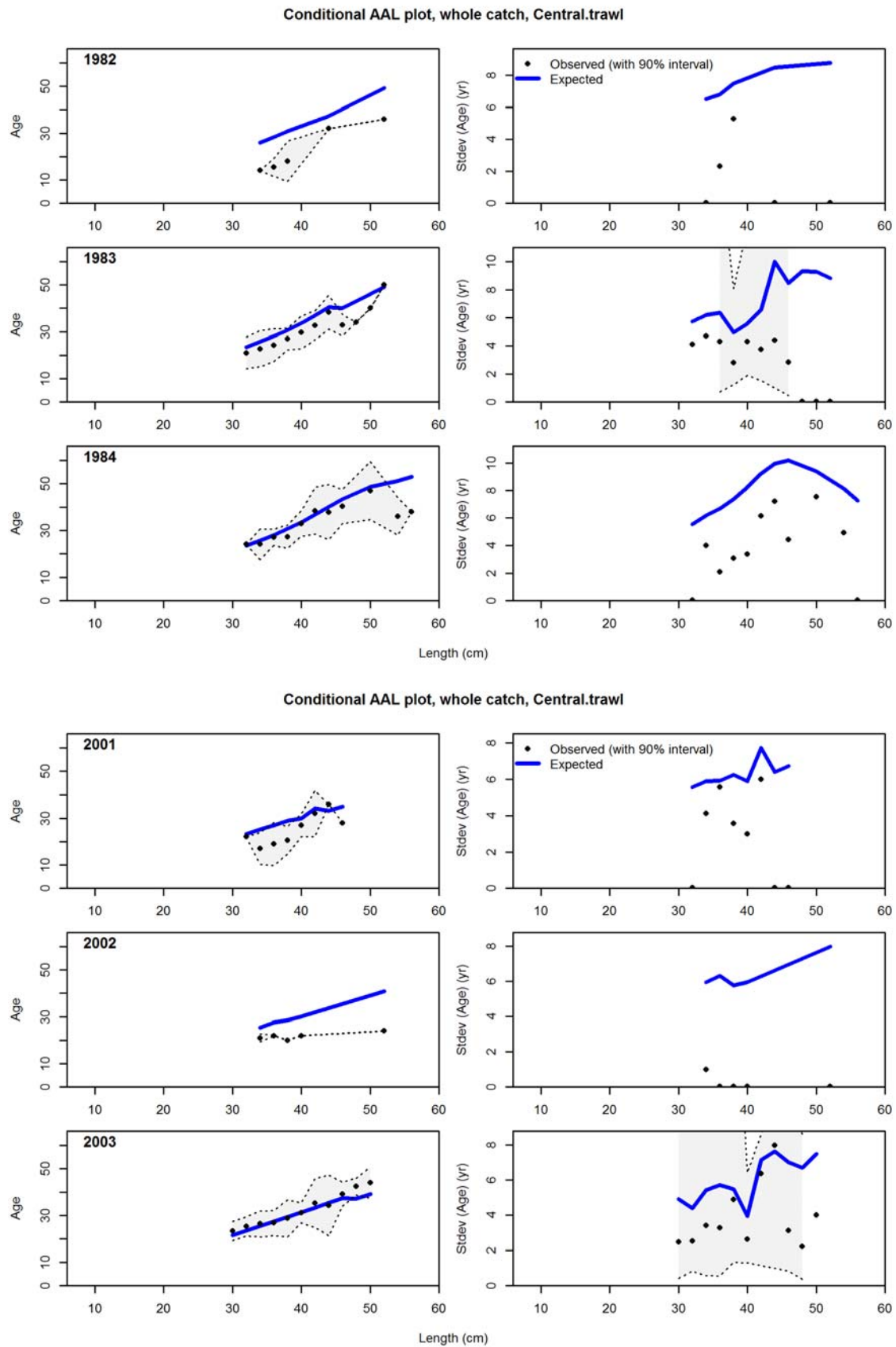
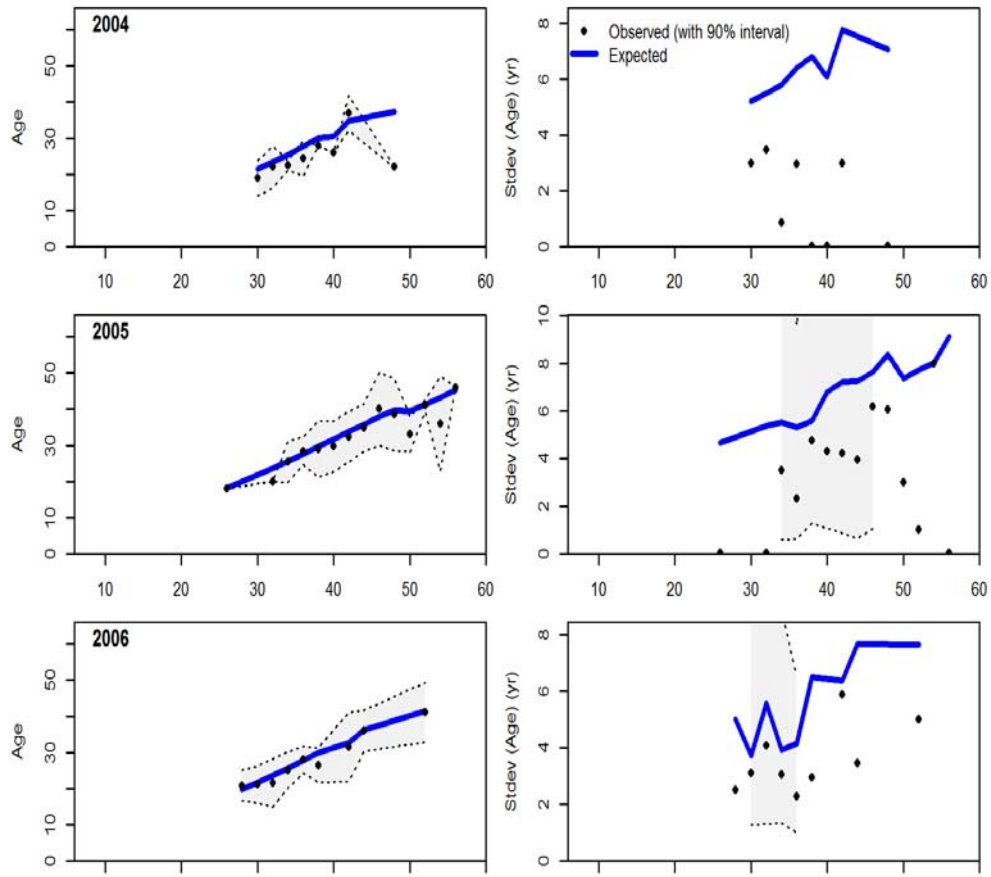


Figure 28 a-b: Fits to conditional age-at-length data for central trawl fishery



Conditional AAL plot, whole catch, Central.trawl



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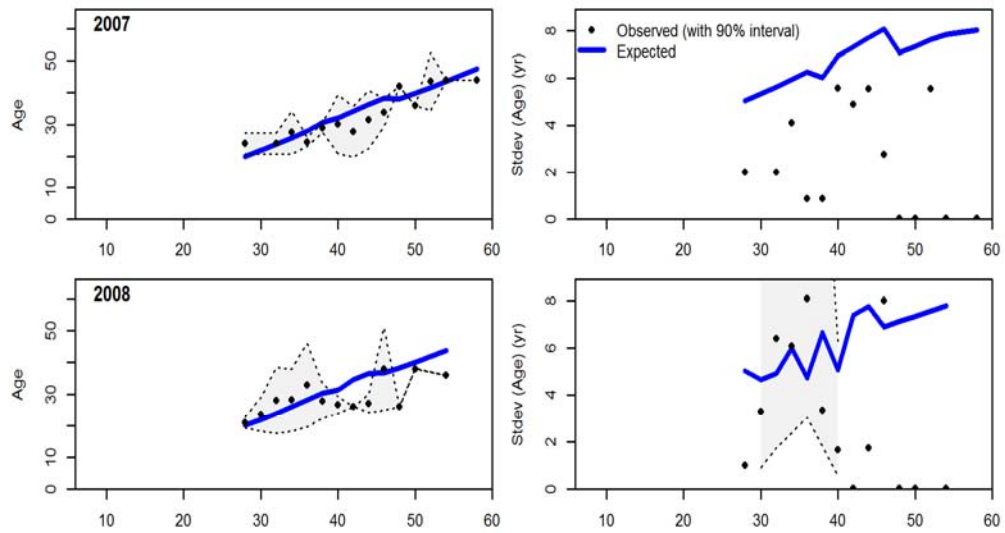


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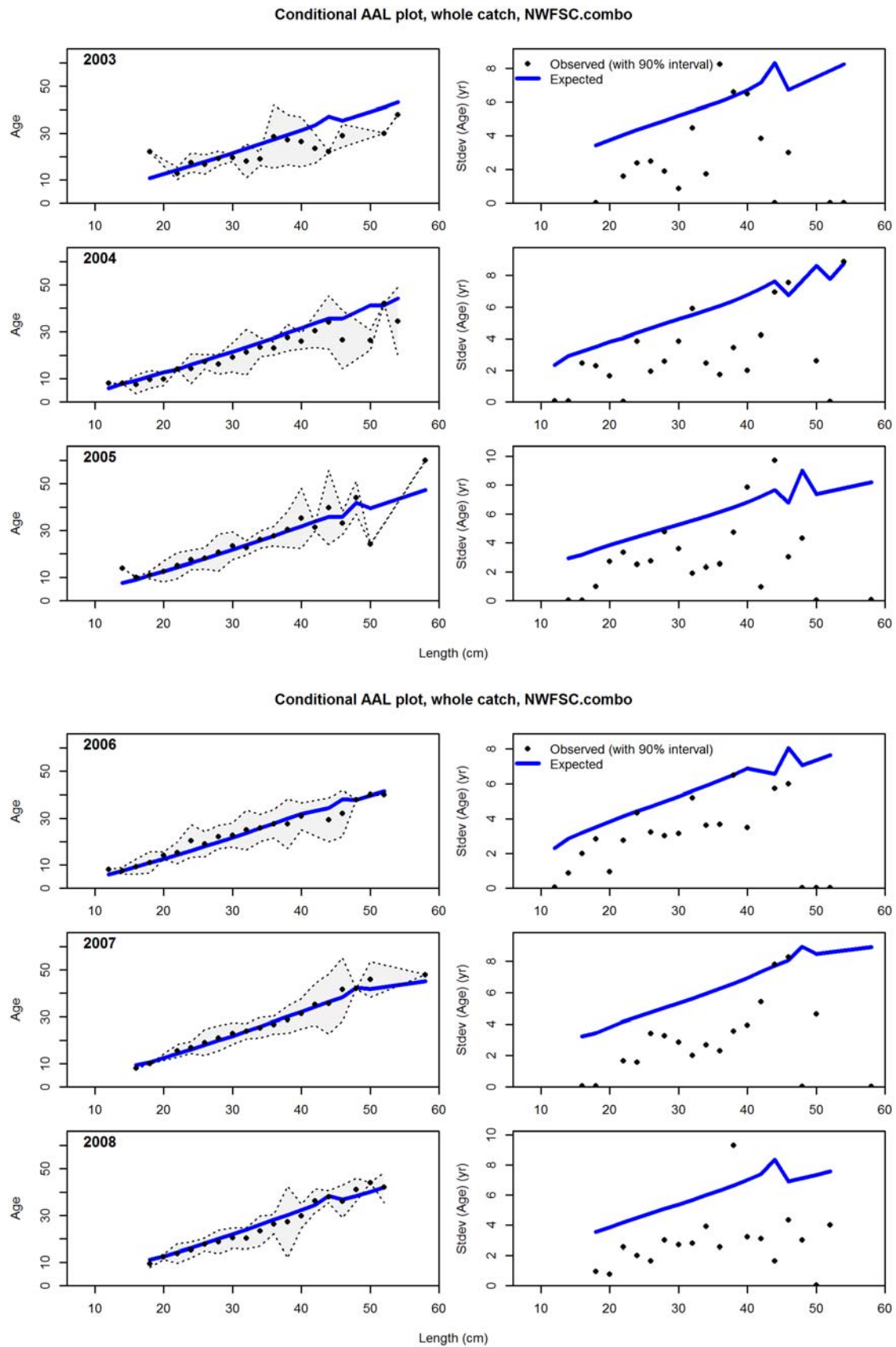
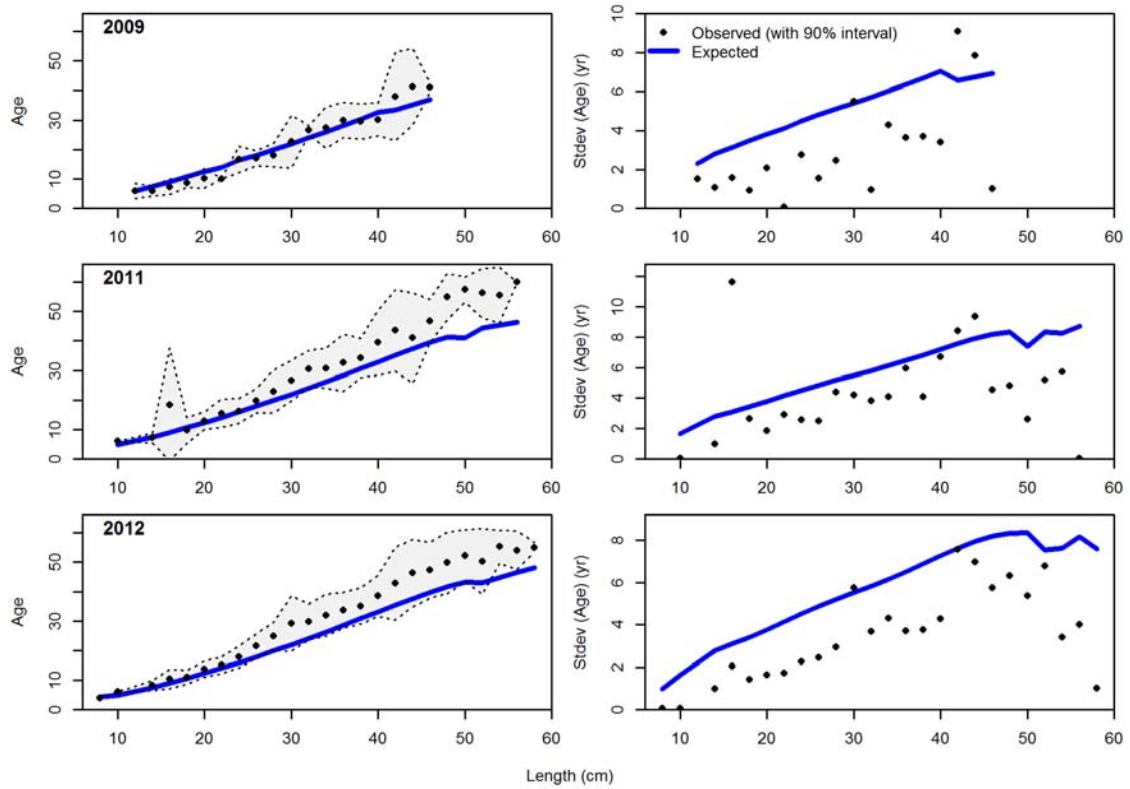


Figure 30 a-b: Fits to conditional age-at-length data for the NWFSC combined trawl survey

Conditional AAL plot, whole catch, NWFSC.combo



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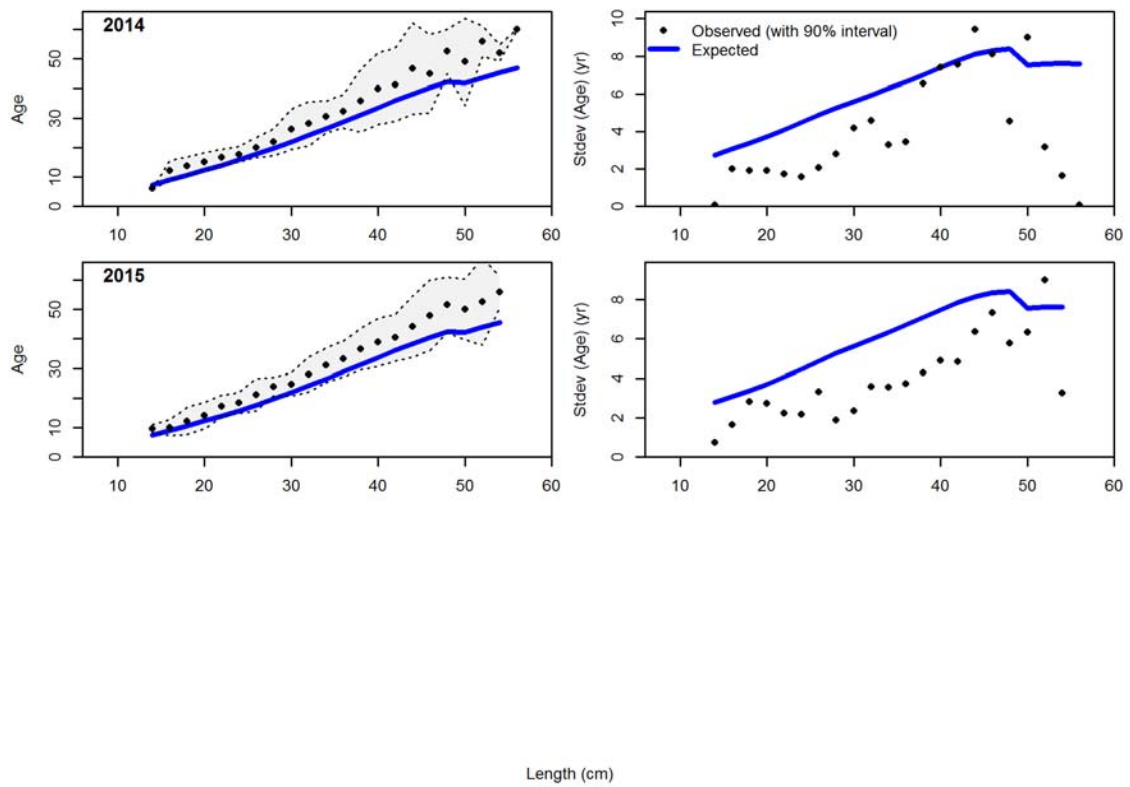


Figure 31 a-b: Fits to conditional age-at-length data for NWFSC combined trawl survey

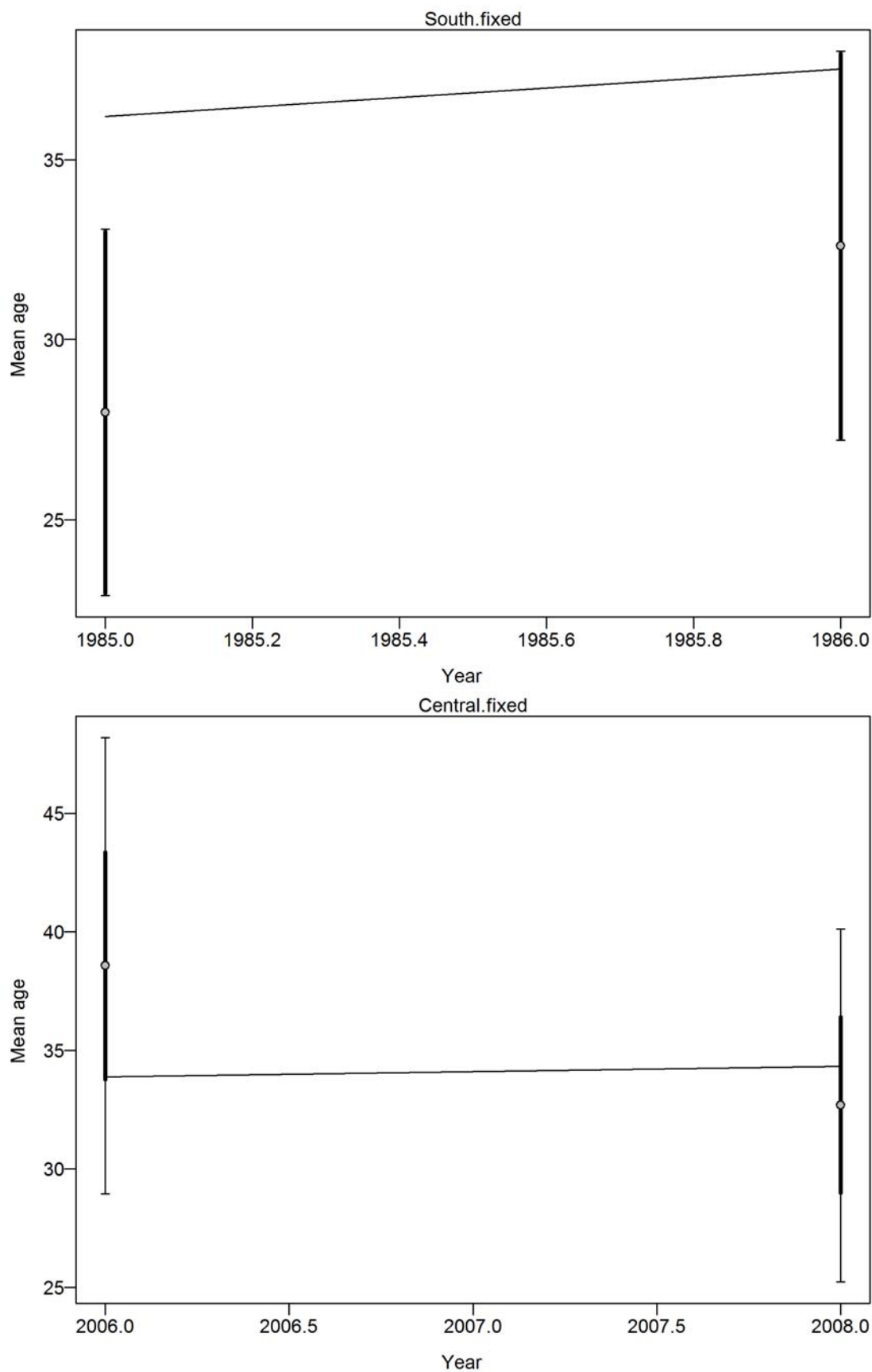


Figure 32 a-b: Fits to mean age for conditional age-at-length for southern fixed gear (top) and central fixed gear (bottom)

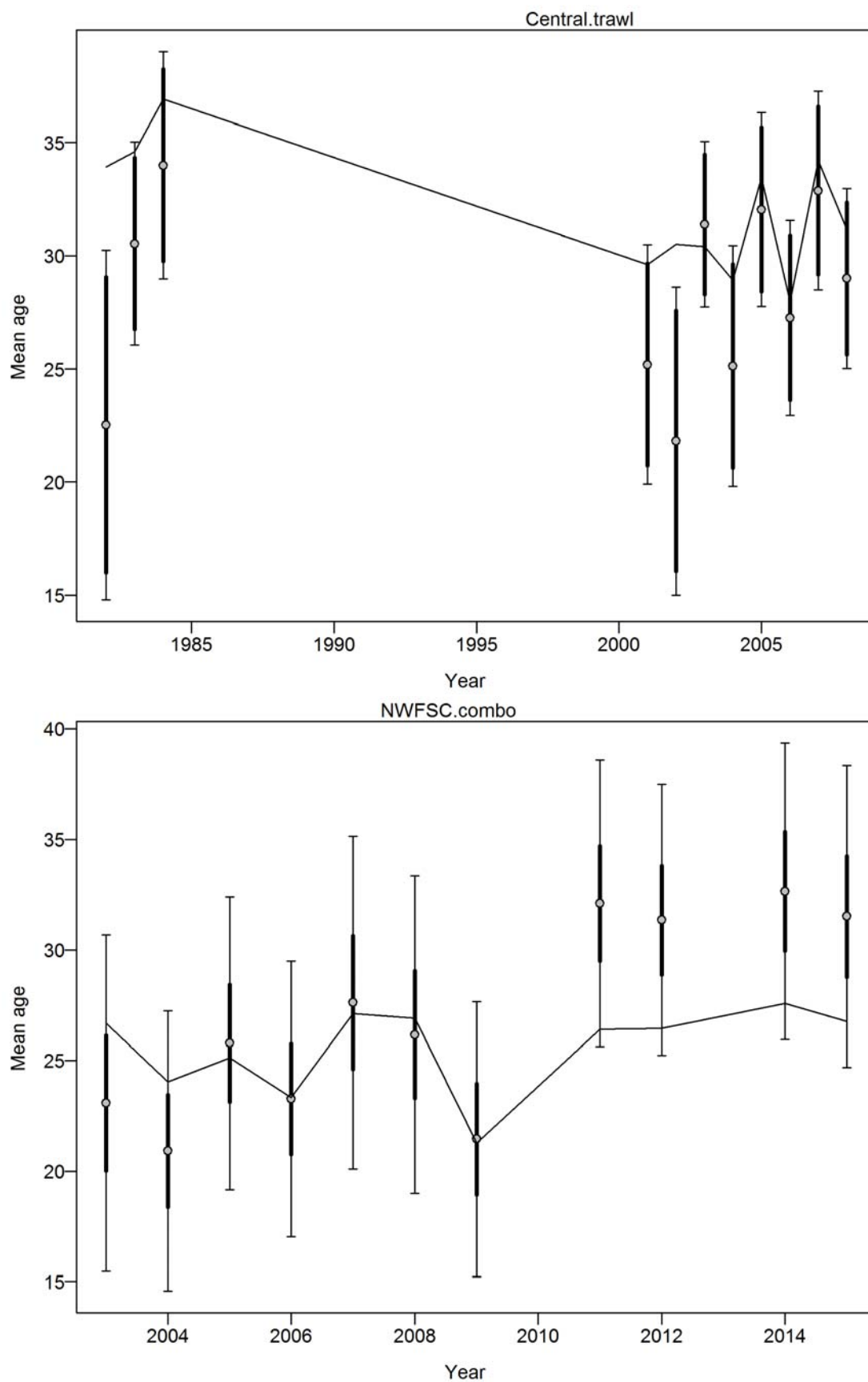


Figure 33 a-b: Fits to mean age for conditional age-at-length for central trawl (top) and NWFSC combined shelf-slope bottom trawl survey (bottom)

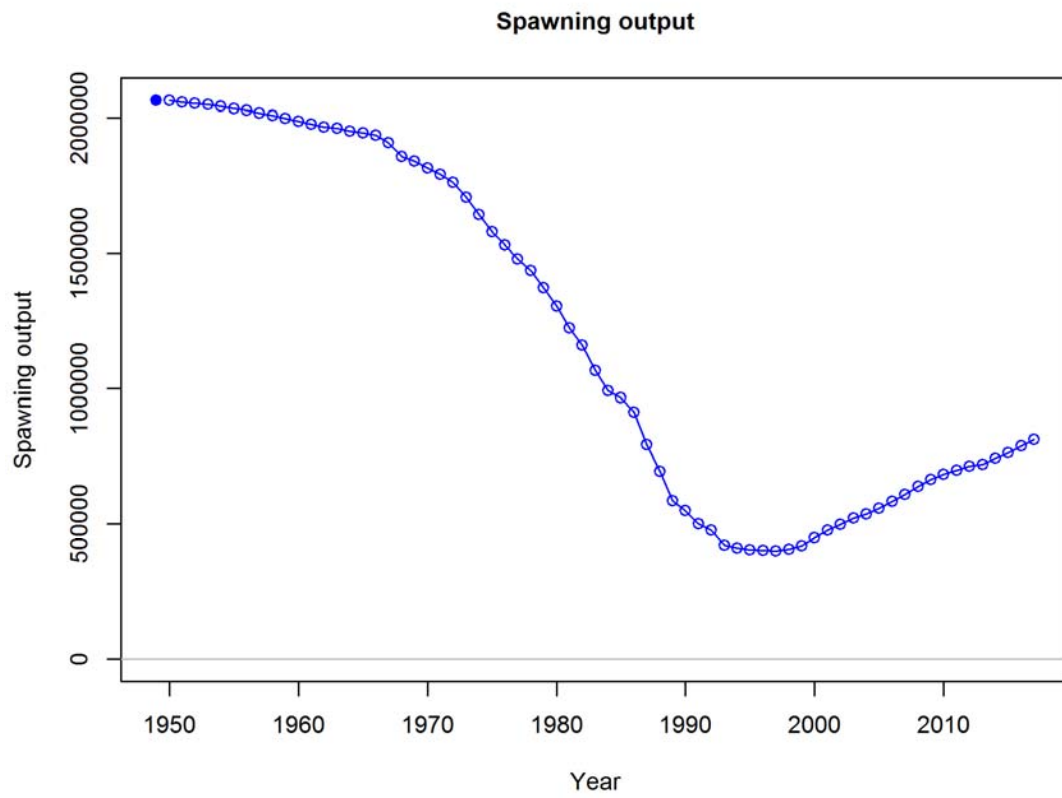
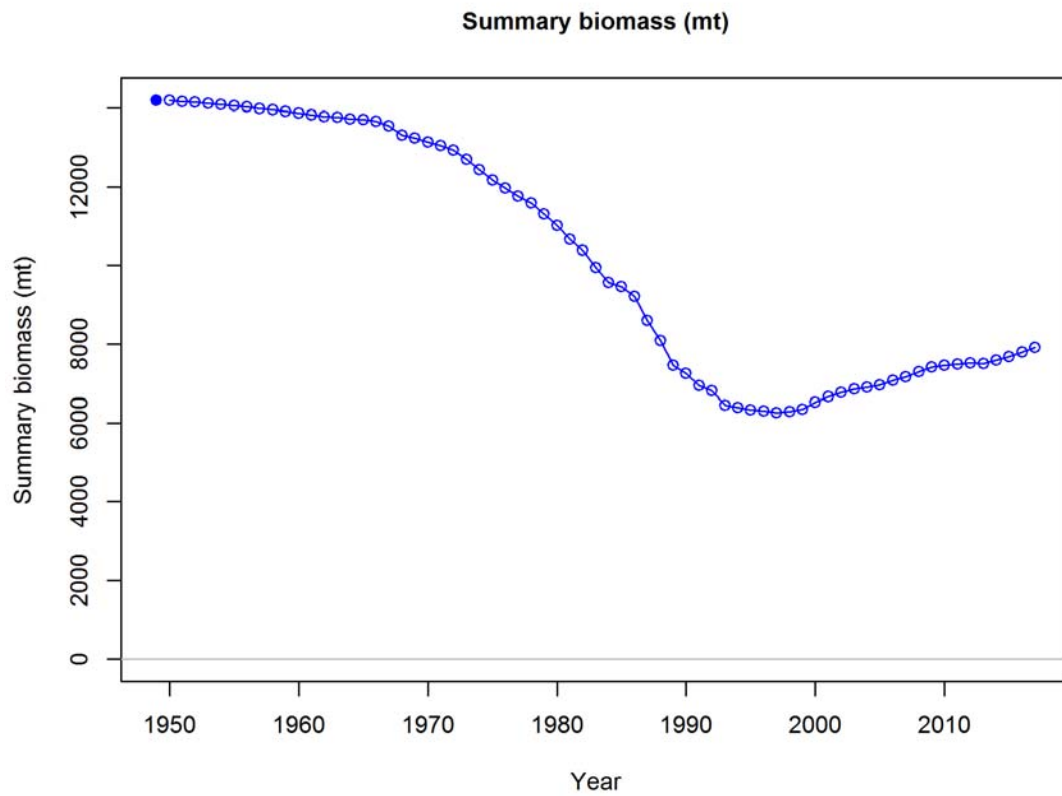


Figure 34 a-b: Base model estimates of total biomass and spawning output ( $\times 10^6$ ).

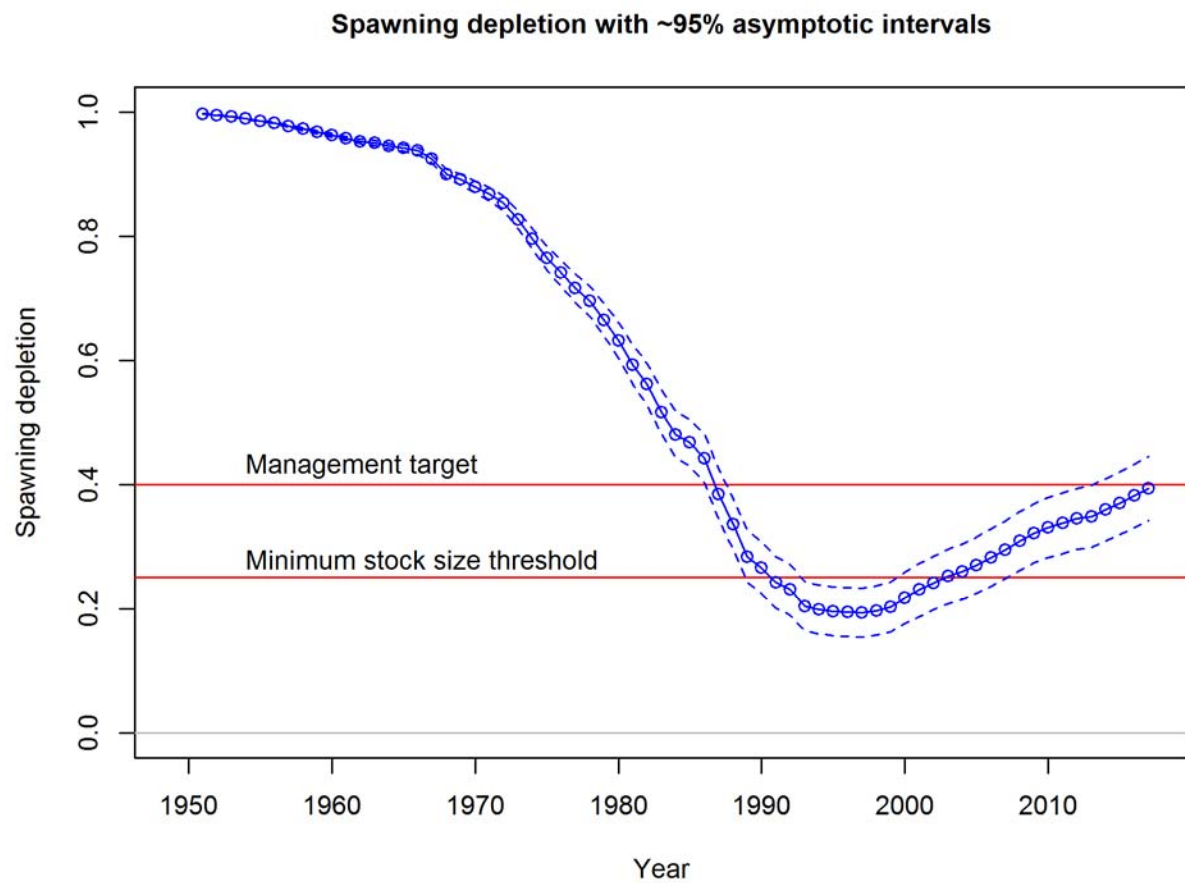


Figure 35: Base model estimates of spawning depletion (with approximate 95% confidence intervals).

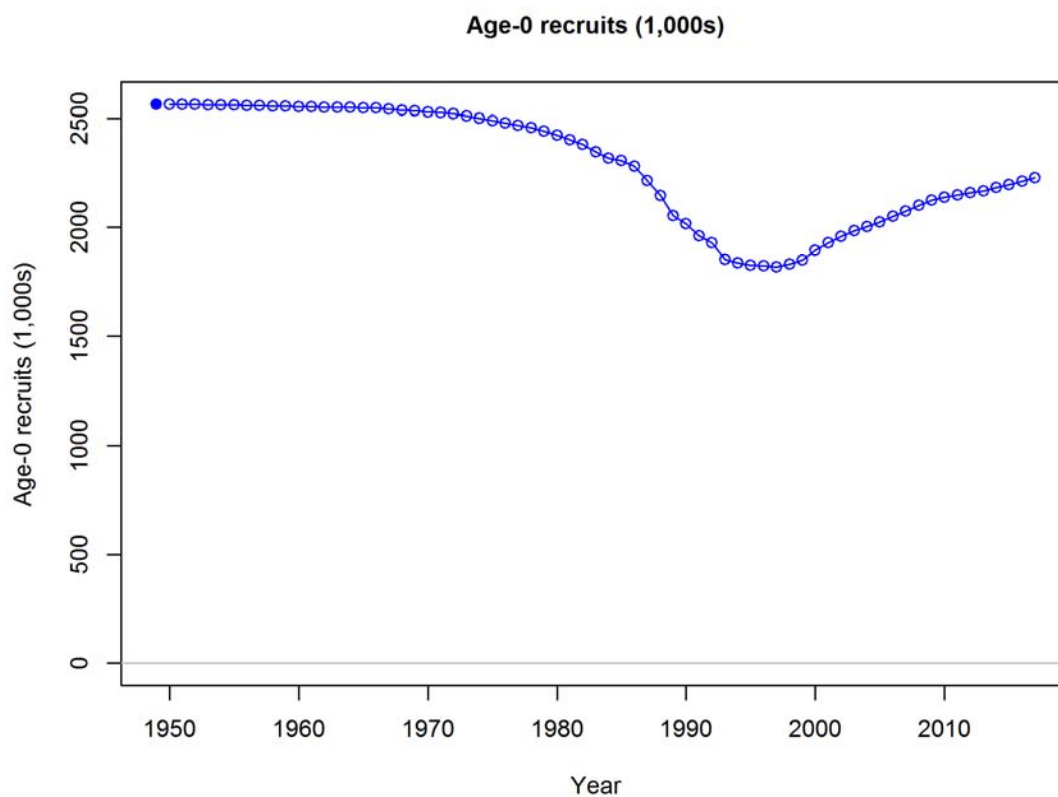
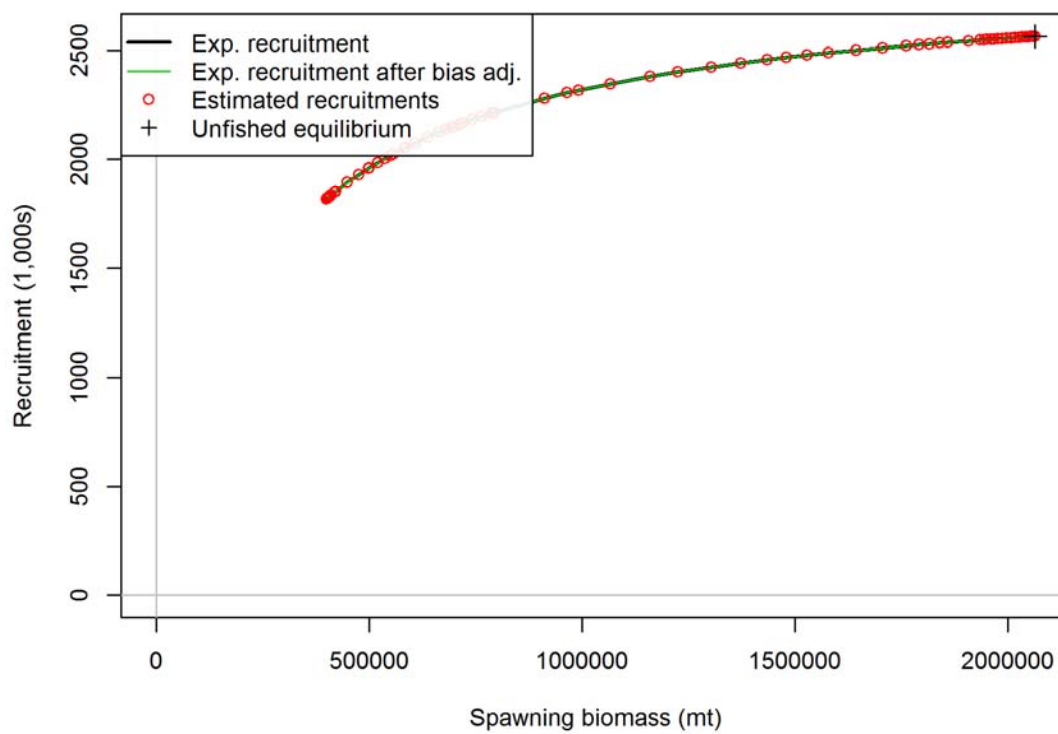


Figure 36 a-b: Spawner-recruit curve (based on fixed value for steepness) and time series of estimated age 0 recruits for the base model.



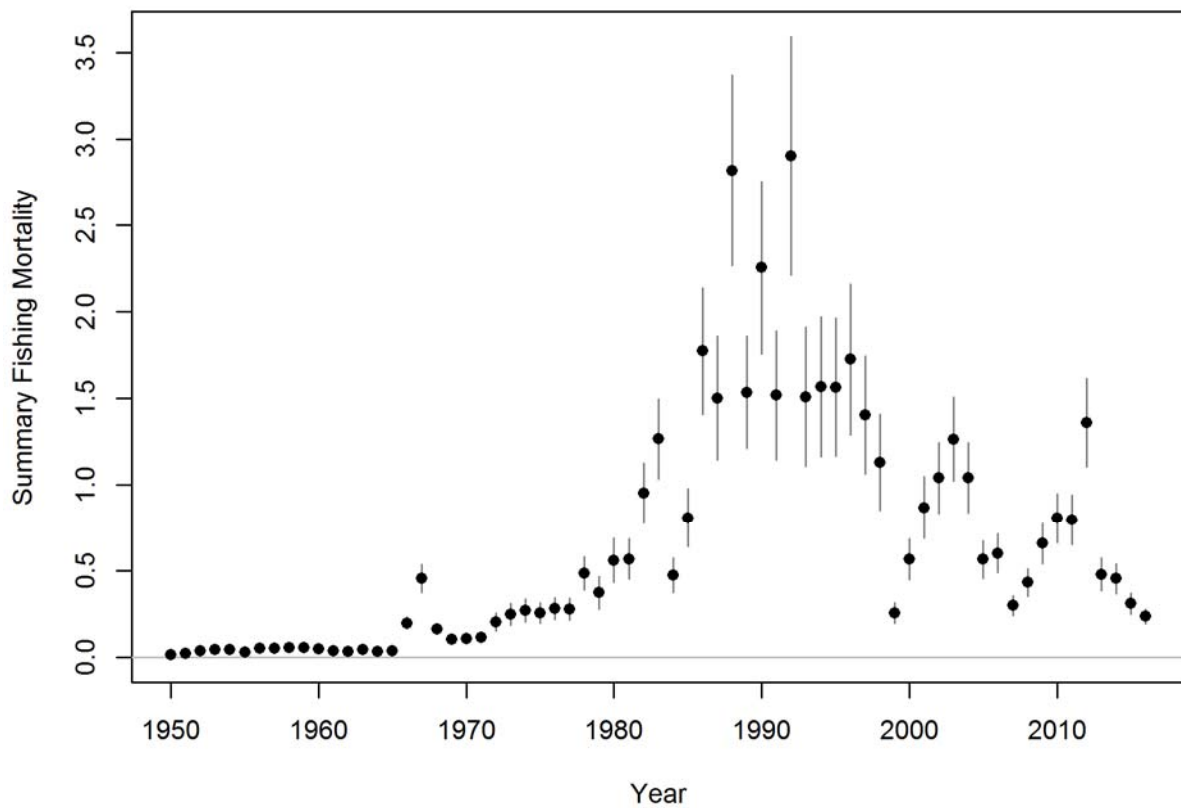
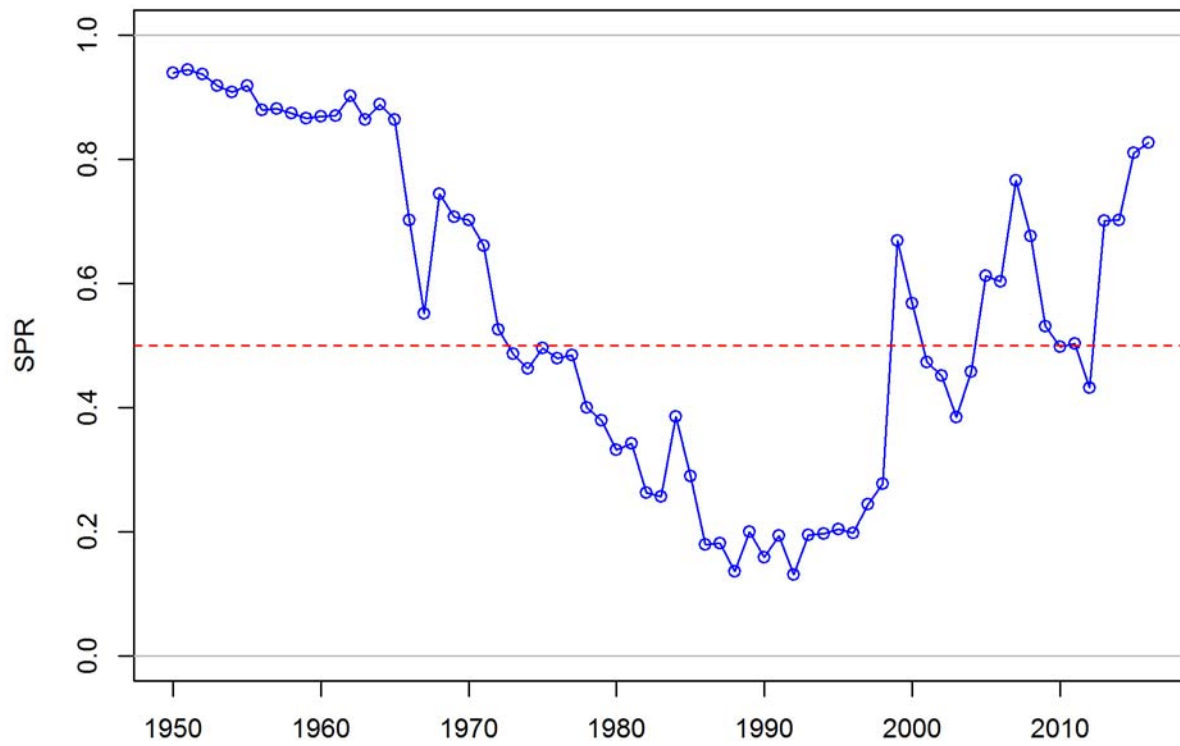


Figure 37 a-b: Estimated spawner potential ratio (top) and summary fishing mortality (bottom) for base model.

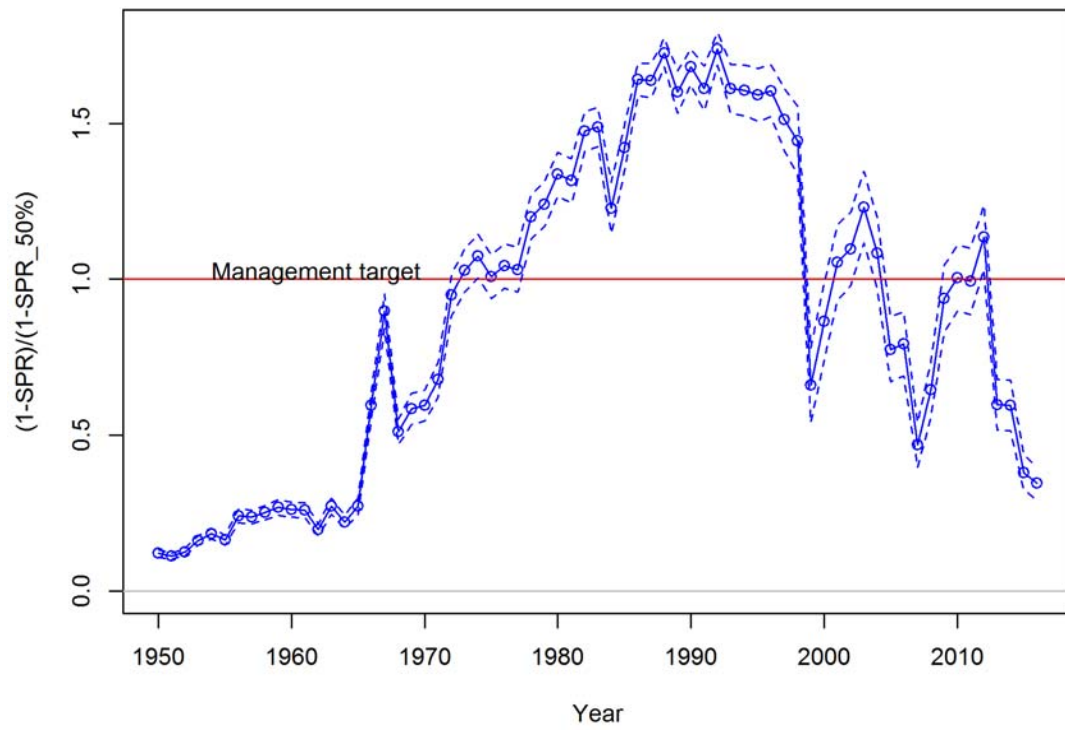
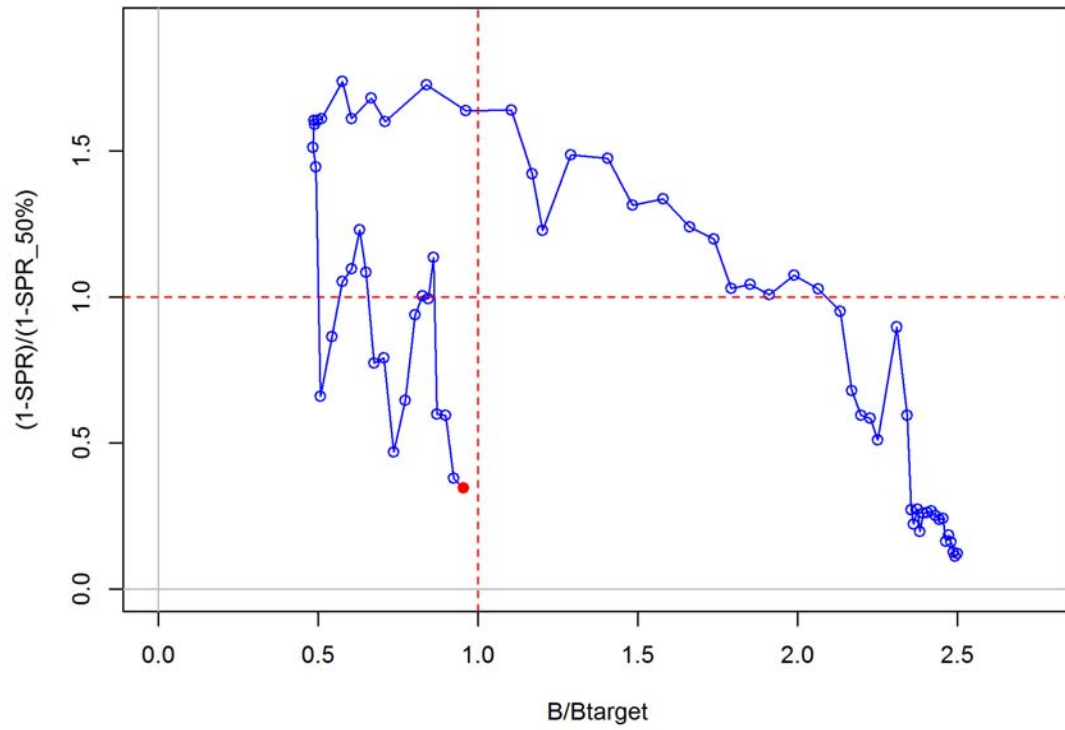


Figure 38 a-b: SPR/depletion phase plot and management target plot for base modell.

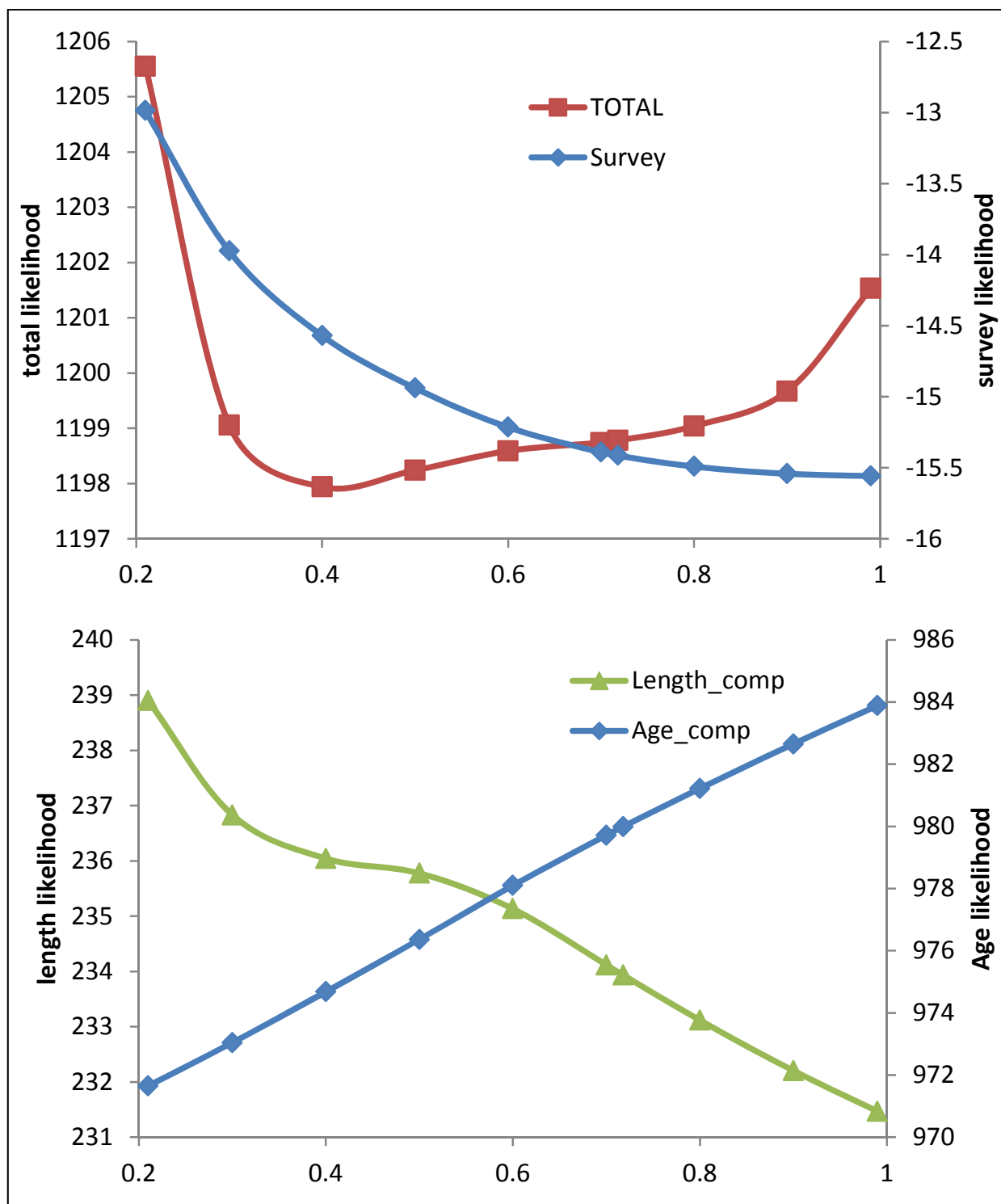


Figure 39: Profiles of total negative log likelihood values by model component under alternative assumptions (fixed values) for steepness (h)

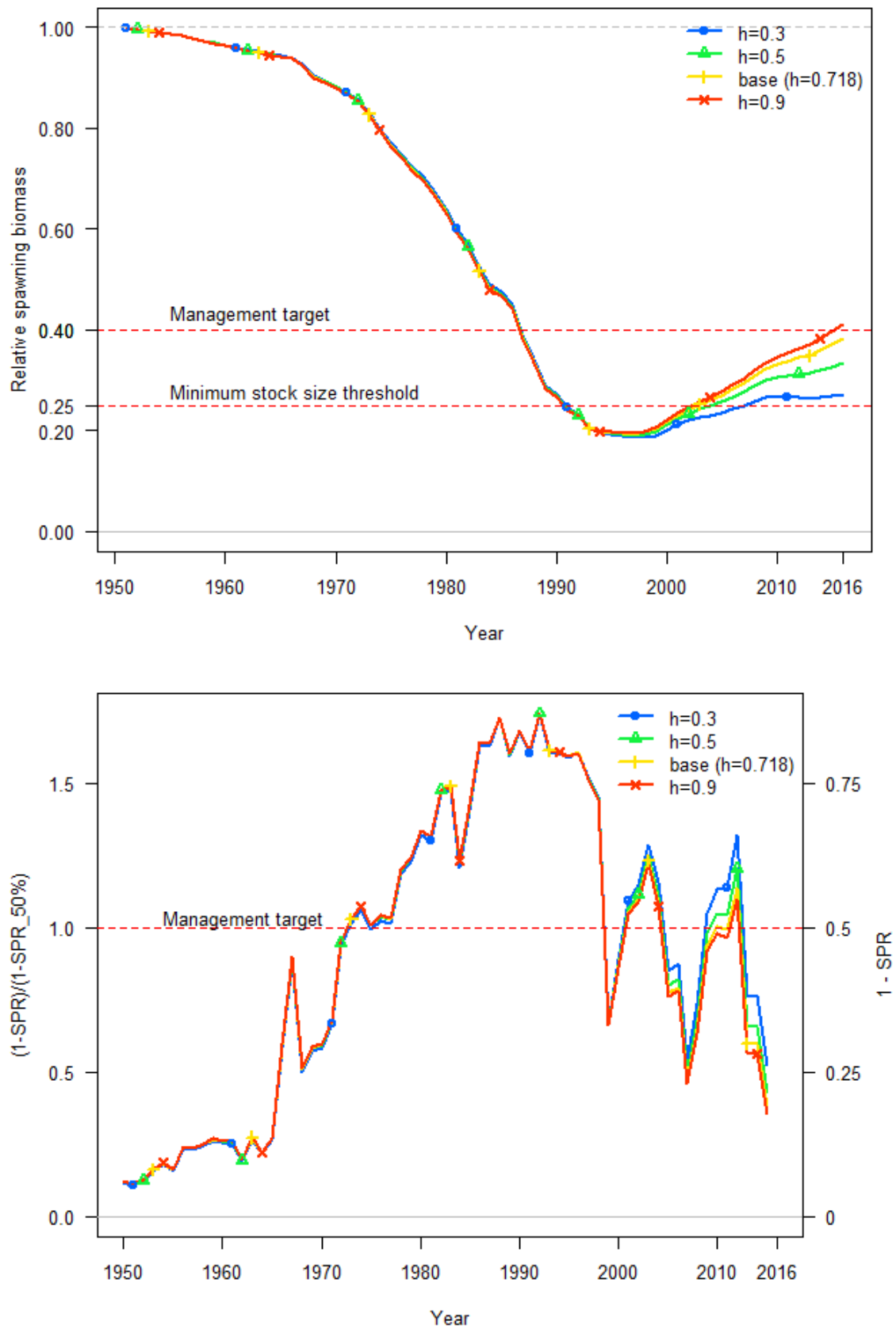


Figure 40: Profiles of estimated quantities of depletion and relative SPR under alternative assumptions (fixed values) for steepness

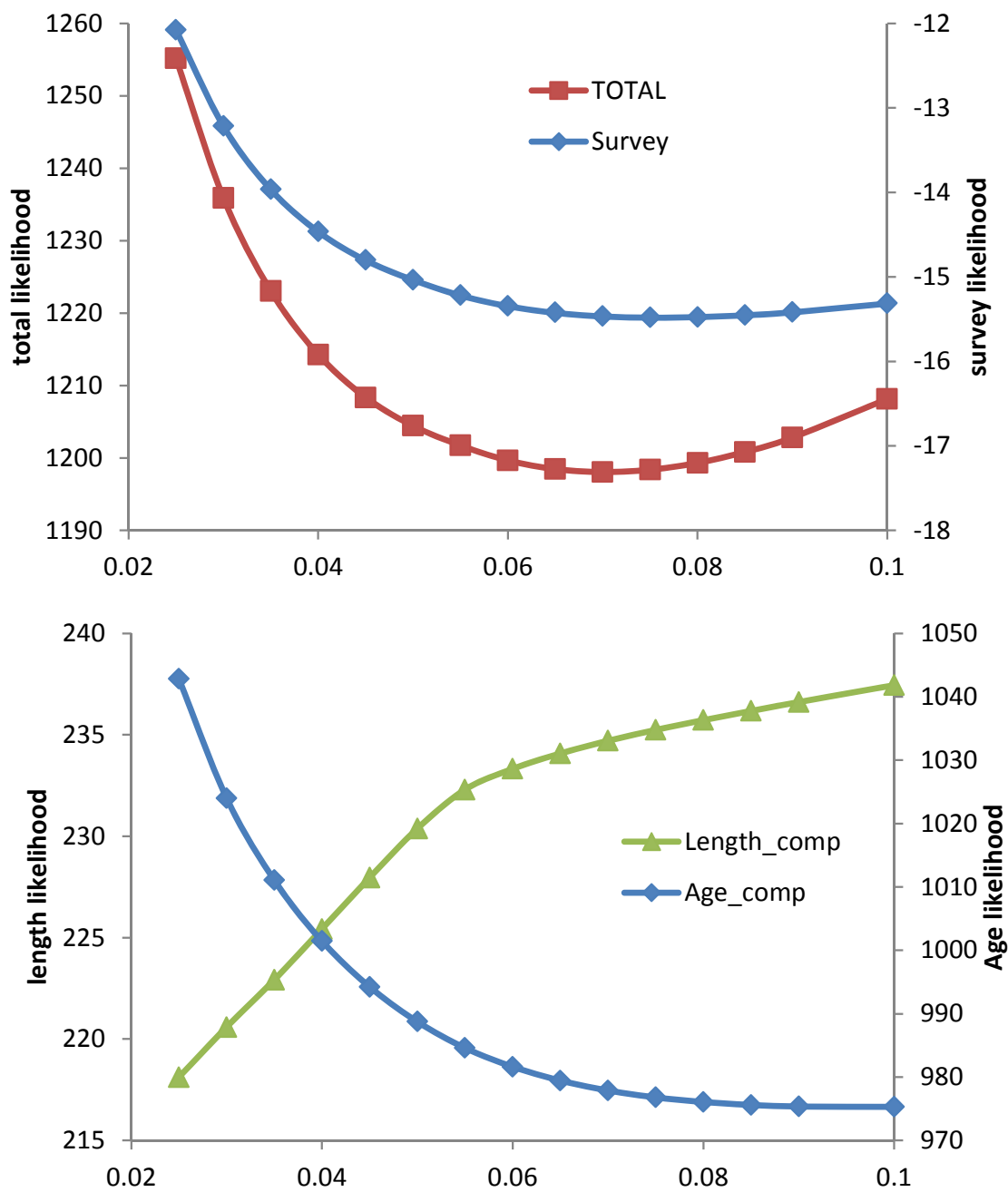


Figure 41: Profiles of total negative log likelihood values by fleet for age composition data (conditional AAL) under alternative assumptions (fixed values) for natural mortality (M).

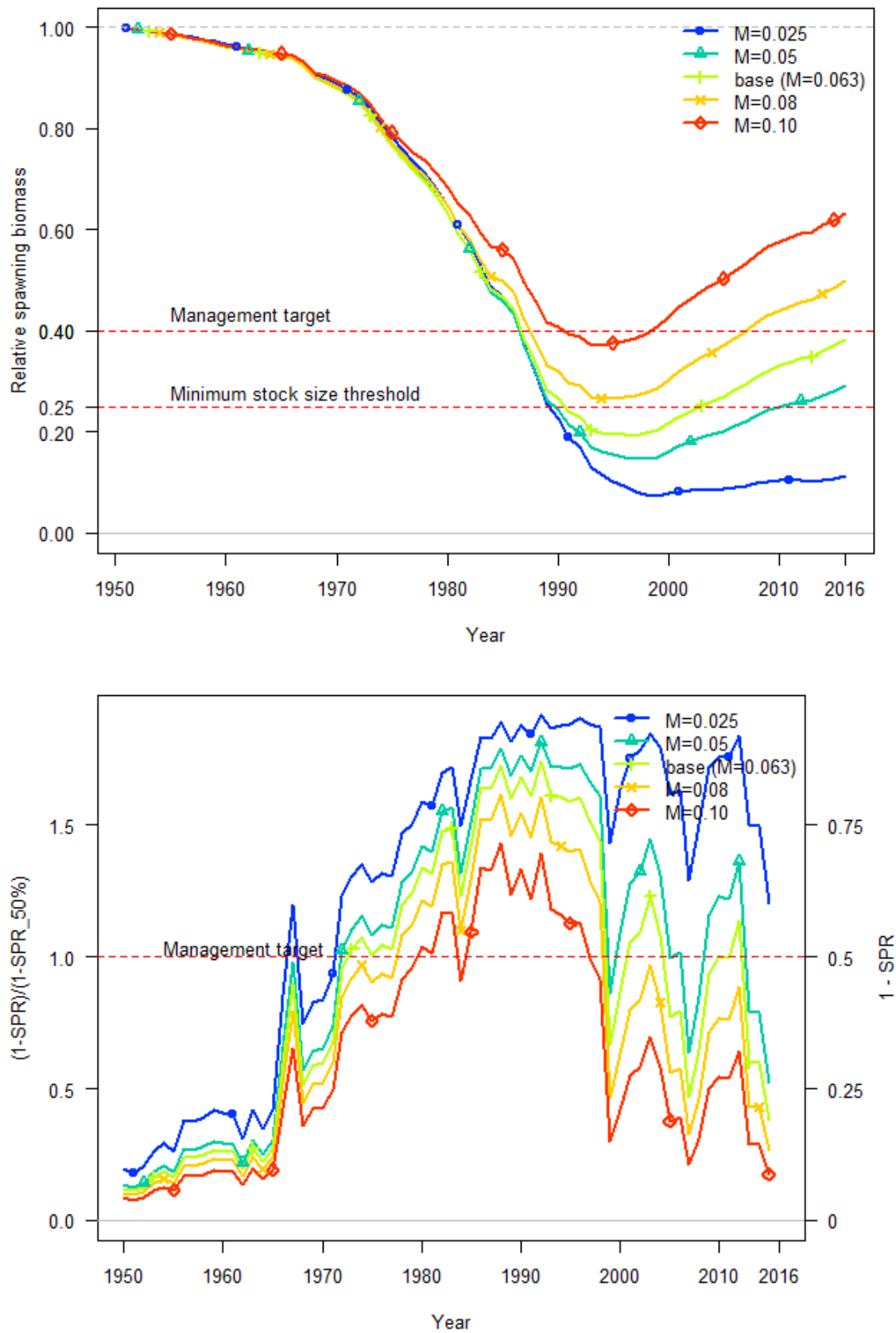


Figure 42: Profiles of estimated quantities of depletion and relative SPR under alternative assumptions for natural mortality ( $M$ ).

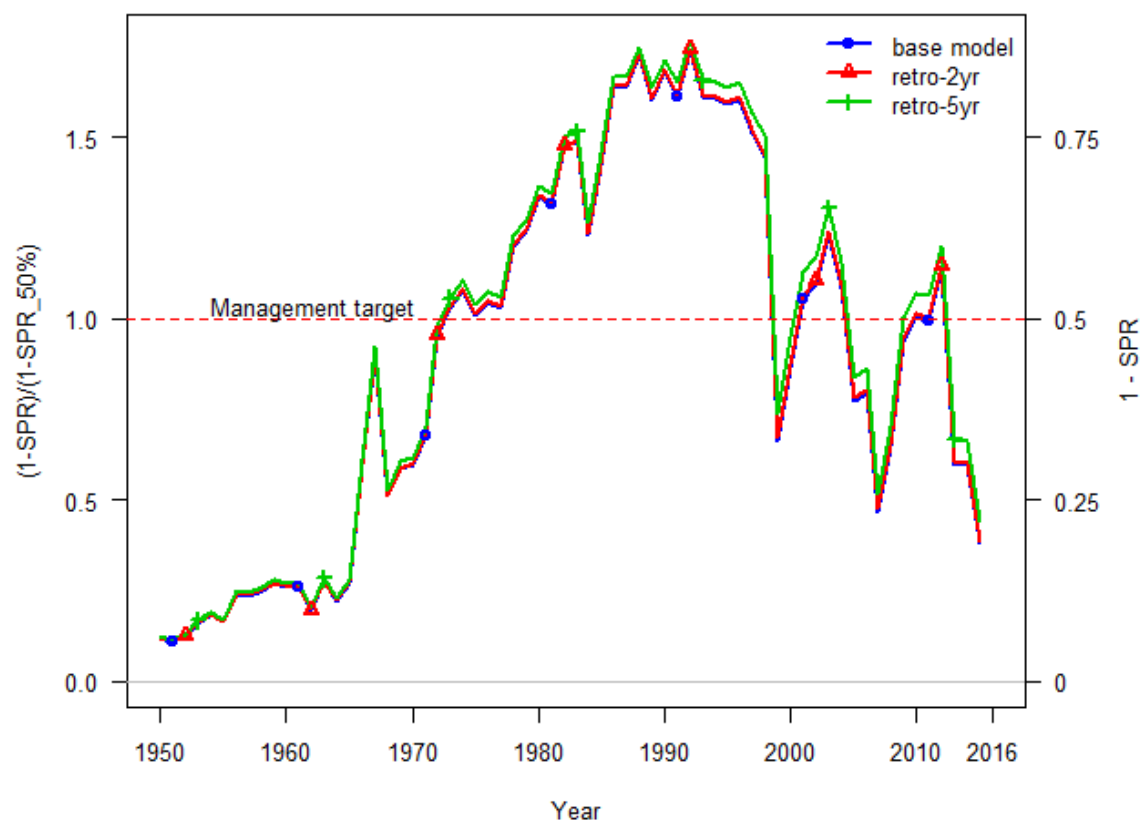
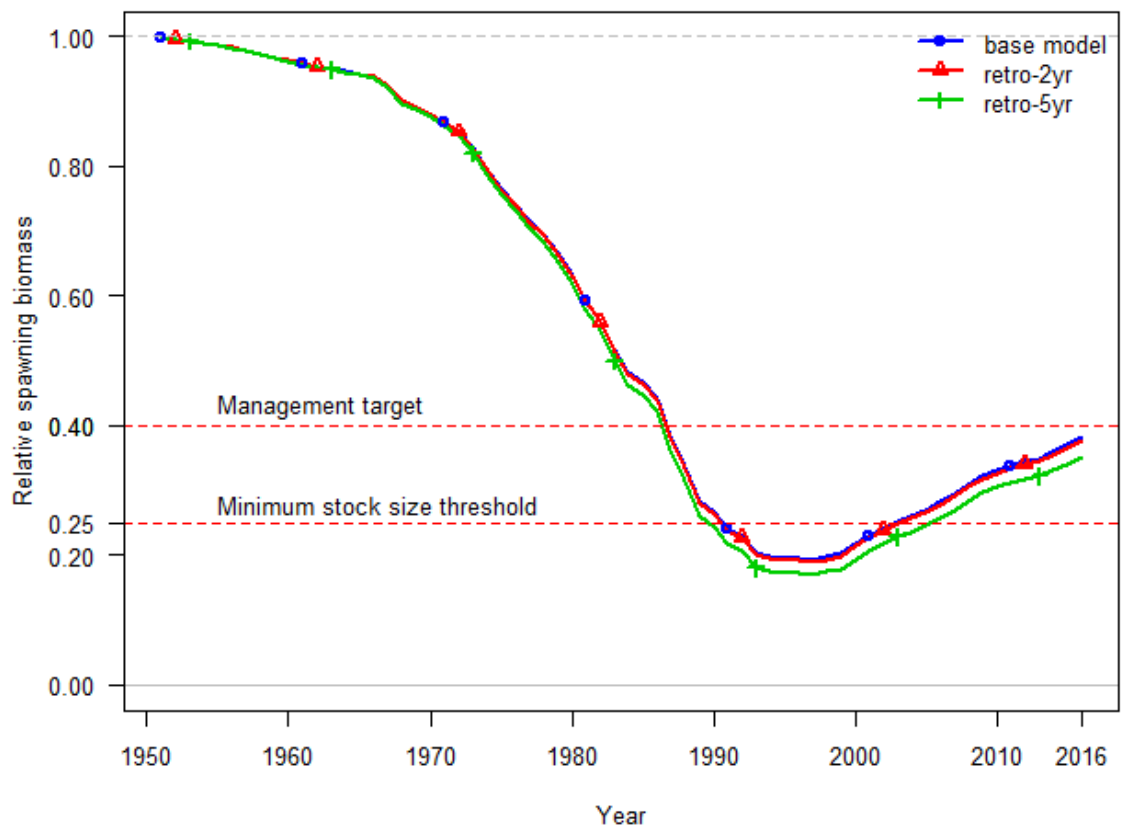


Figure 43: Retrospective analysis of base model

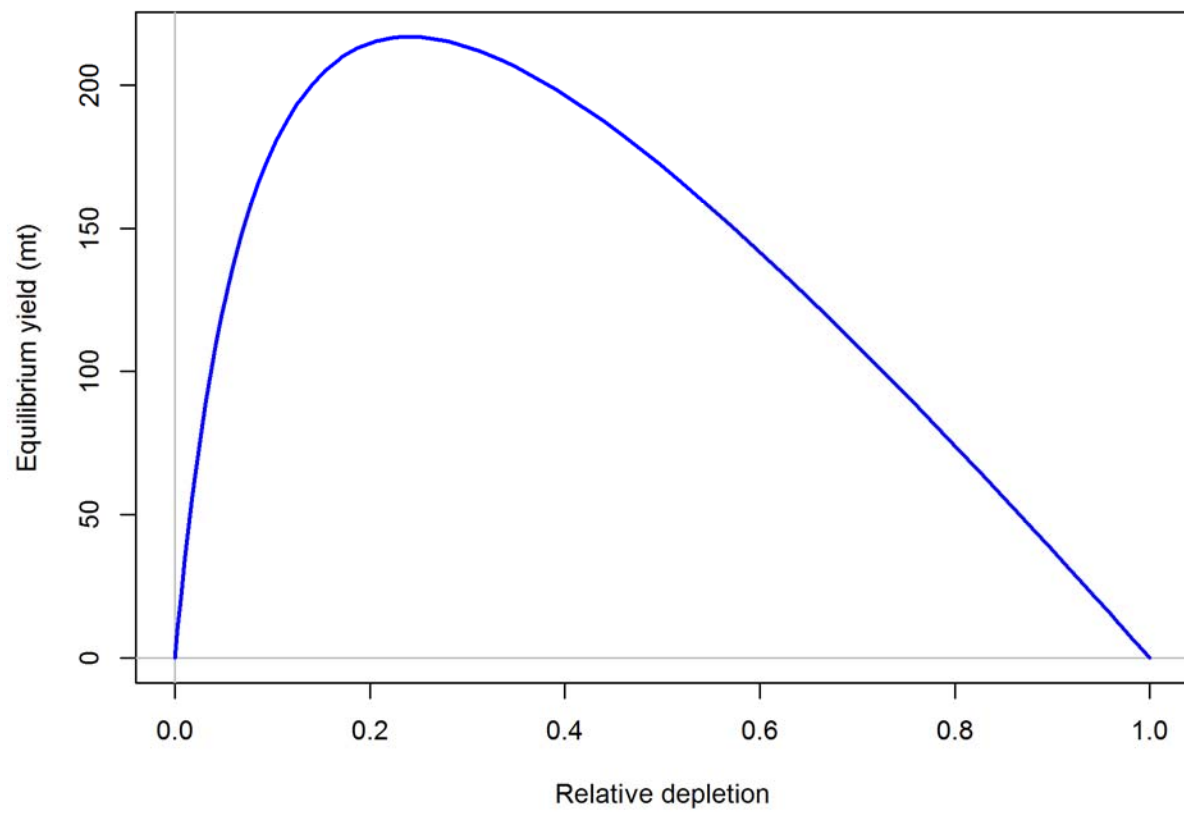


Figure 44: Potential yield curve from base model



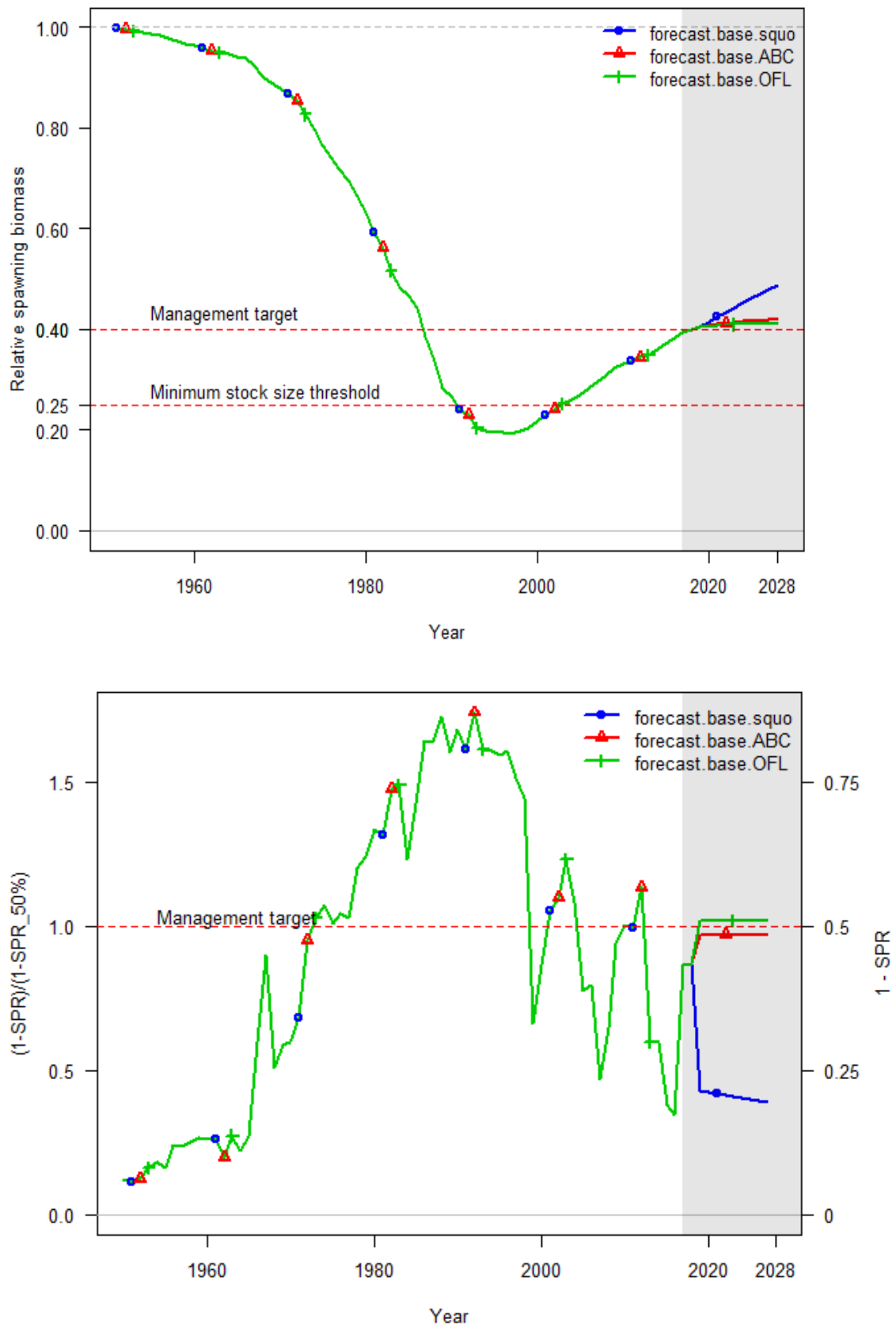


Figure 45: Base model forecast depletion and relative SPR trajectories under alternative future harvest strategies.

# Appendix A: Blackgill rockfish 2017 Assessment update base model estimated numbers at age (1000s)

Female numbers at age: 0-29

Yr	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Init	1282	1204	1130	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	364	341	321	301	283	265	249	234	220	206
1950	1282	1204	1130	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	364	341	321	301	283	265	249	234	220	206
1951	1282	1204	1130	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	364	341	321	301	283	265	249	234	220	206
1952	1281	1203	1130	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	364	341	320	301	282	265	249	234	219	206
1953	1281	1203	1130	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	364	341	320	301	282	265	249	234	219	206
1954	1281	1203	1130	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	301	282	265	249	233	219	205
1955	1280	1202	1129	1061	996	936	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	301	282	265	248	233	219	205
1956	1280	1202	1129	1060	996	935	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	301	282	265	248	233	219	205
1957	1279	1202	1129	1060	996	935	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	300	282	265	248	233	218	205
1958	1278	1201	1128	1060	995	935	878	825	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	300	282	264	248	233	218	205
1959	1278	1200	1128	1059	995	935	878	824	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	300	282	264	248	233	218	204
1960	1277	1200	1127	1059	995	934	877	824	774	727	683	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	300	282	264	248	232	218	204
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1963	1275	1198	1125	1057	993	933	876	823	773	726	682	641	602	565	531	498	468	439	412	387	363	341	320	300	282	264	248	233	218	204
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1969	1267	1191	1121	1054	990	930	874	821	771	724	681	639	601	564	530	498	467	439	412	386	362	340	319	298	280	262	245	229	214	200
1970	1265	1189	1118	1053	990	930	873	821	771	724	680	639	600	564	530	497	467	439	412	386	363	340	319	299	280	262	245	229	214	200
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1974	1250	1179	1111	1045	983	924	869	818	769	723	679	638	599	563	529	497	466	438	411	386	362	340	319	299	279	261	244	228	212	197
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1987	1108	1071	1017	959	913	869	823	780	738	697	657	620	584	551	520	489	460	432	405	379	355	332	308	286	264	243	223	204	185	168
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1992	965	920	889	850	834	808	781	742	700	666	634	601	569	538	508	479	451	424	399	374	349	324	300	275	252	228	206	183	162	142
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2013	1083	1014	948	885	825	767	711	660	612	568	529	490	453	417	382	354	330	310	290	273	257	250	236	226	214	208	199	189	177	164
2014	1091	1017	952	890	831	775	720	668	620	574	534	496	460	425	391	358	332	309	290	272	255	240	233	221	211	200	194	185	176	164
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2016	1106	1031	962	897	840	784	733	683	635	589	546	506	470	437	405	374	344	315	292	272	254	238	223	210	204	192	184	174	168	161

Female numbers at age: 30-60+

Yr	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
Init	194	182	171	160	151	141	133	125	117	110	103	97	91	85	80	75	71	66	62	59	55	52	48	45	43	40	38	35	33	31	479
1950	194	182	171	160	151	141	133	125	117	110	103	97	91	85	80	75	71	66	62	59	55	52	48	45	43	40	38	35	33	31	479
1951	193	182	171	160	150	141	132	124	117	110	103	97	91	85	80	75	70	66	62	58	55	51	48	45	43	40	38	35	33	31	477
1952	193	181	170	160	150	141	132	124	117	109	103	96	90	85	80	75	70	66	62	58	55	51	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	476
1953	193	181	170	160	150	141	132	124	116	109	102	96	90	85	80	75	70	66	62	58	54	51	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	474
1954	193	181	170	159	150	140	132	124	116	109	102	96	90	84	79	74	70	66	62	58	54	51	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	472
1955	193	181	170	159	149	140	131	123	116	108	102	95	90	84	79	74	70	65	61	57	54	51	48	45	42	39	37	35	33	31	470
1956	192	181	169	159	149	140	131	123	115	108	101	95	89	84	79	74	69	65	61	57	54	50	47	44	42	39	37	35	32	30	468
1957	192	180	169	158	149	139	131	123	115	108	101	95	89	83	78	73	69	65	61	57	53	50	47	44	41	39	37	34	32	30	465
1958	192	180	169	158	148	139	130	122	114	107	101	94	88	83	78	73	68	64	60	57	53	50	47	44	41	39	36	34	32	30	461
1959	192	180	168	158	148	139	130	122	114	107	100	94	88	83	77	73	68	64	60	56	53	49	46	44	41	38	36	34	32	30	458
1960	192	179	168	158	148	138	130	121	114	107	100	94	88	82	77	72	68	63	60	56	52	49	46	43	41	38	36	34	31	30	454
1961	191	179	168	157	147	138	129	121	113	106	99	93	87	82	77	72	67	63	59	55	52	49	46	43	40	38	35	33	31	29	451
1962	191	179	168	157	147	138	129	121	113	106	99	93	87	81	76	71	67	63	59	55	52	48	45	43	40	38	35	33	31	29	447
1963	191	179	168	157	147	138	129	121	113	106	99	93	87	81	76	71	67	63	59	55	51	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	29	444
1964	191	179	168	157	147	138	129	120	113	105	99	92	86	81	76	71	66	62	58	55	51	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	29	441
1965	191	179	168	157	147	138	129	120	113	105	99	92	86	81	76	71	66	62	58	54	51	48	45	42	39	37	35	32	30	29	438
1966	191	179	168	157	147	137	129	120	112	105	98	92	86	80	75	70	66	62	58	54	51	47	44	42	39	37	34	32	30	28	434
1967	190	178	167	156	146	136	127	119	111	104	97	91	85	79	74	69	65	61	57	53	50	47	44	41	38	36	34	32	30	28	425
1968	188	175	164	153	143	134	125	116	109	102	95	89	83	77	72	67	63	59	55	52	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	29	27	411
1969	187	175	163	153	142	133	124	116	108	101	94	88	82	77	71	67	62	58	54	51	48	45	42	39	37	34	32	30	28	26	404
1970	187	175	163	152	142	132	123	115	107	100	93	87	81	76	71	66	61	57	54	50	47	44	41	38	36	34	31	29	28	26	395
1971	187	174	163	152	141	132	123	114	106	99	92	86	80	75	70	65	61	57	53	49	46	43	40	38	35	33	31	29	27	25	386
1972	186	174	162	151	141	131	122	113	105	98	91	85	79	74	69	64	59	55	52	48	45	42	39	37	34	32	30	28	26	25	375
1973	185	172	160	149	139	129	120	111	103	96	89	83	77	71	66	62	57	53	50	46	43	40	38	35	33	31	29	27	25	24	357
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