Agenda Item H.3.a Supplemental SSC Report 1 November 2024

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON BIENNIAL HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES - FINAL

The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) reviewed and discussed the reference points (D_{MSY} and U_{MSY}) for shortfin make shark estimated by the International Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-Like Species in the North Pacific Ocean (ISC). The SSC endorses these proxies as adequate for estimating status relative to B_{MSY} and F_{MSY} .

The SSC did not review the specifications for the models and the model fits. The SSC noted that the ensemble reference points included contributions from four models that did not converge, which could have justified their exclusion, but that this decision did not affect the estimates of stock status and fishing mortality relative to the proxies for B_{MSY} and F_{MSY} .

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