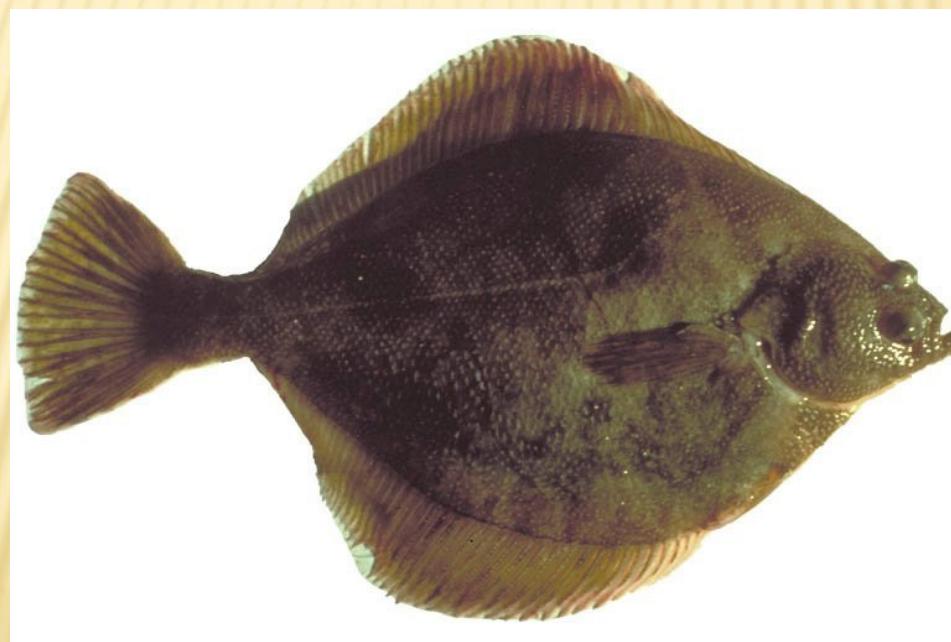


# YELLOWWEIN SOLE

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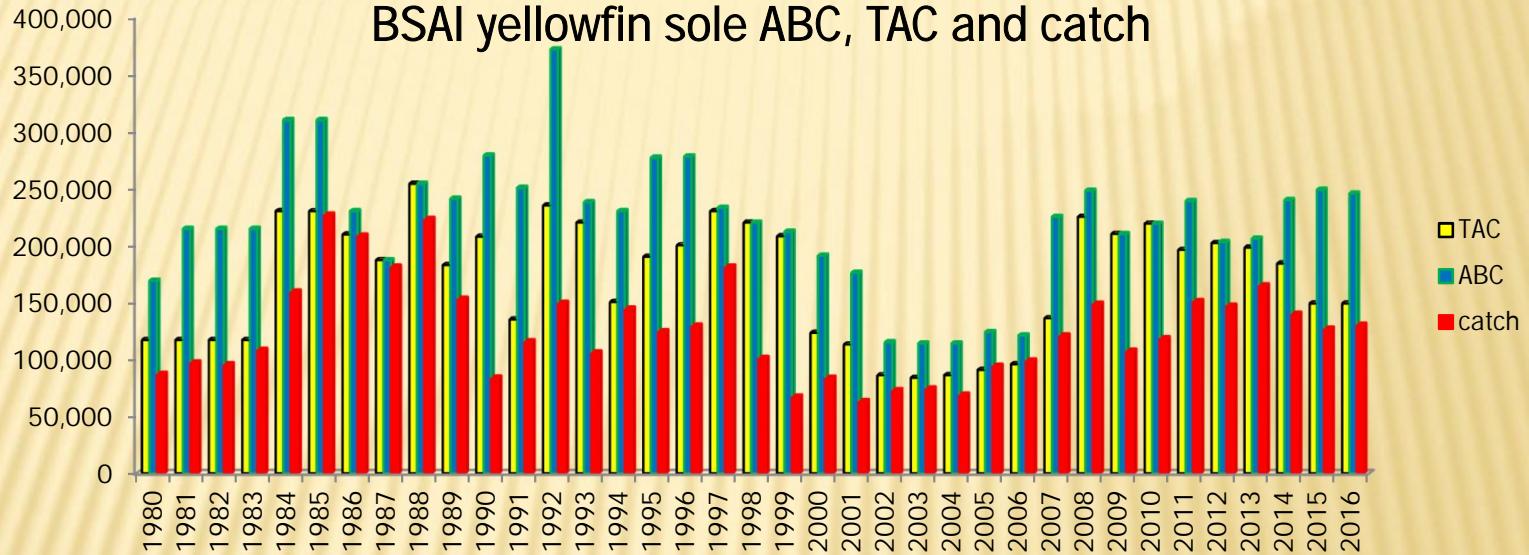
## CHANGES TO THE INPUT DATA



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- 2015 survey age composition.
- 2016 trawl survey biomass point estimate and standard error.
- Estimate of catch ( $t$ ) made through the end of 2016.
- Estimate of retained and discarded portions of the 2015 catch.



### BSAI yellowfin sole ABC, TAC and catch



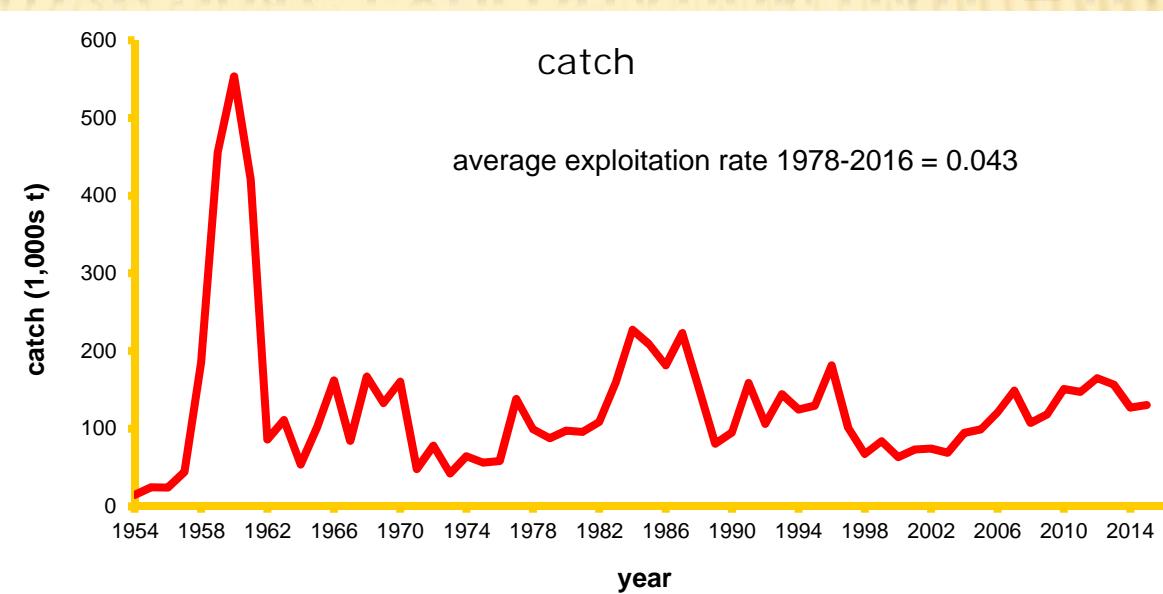


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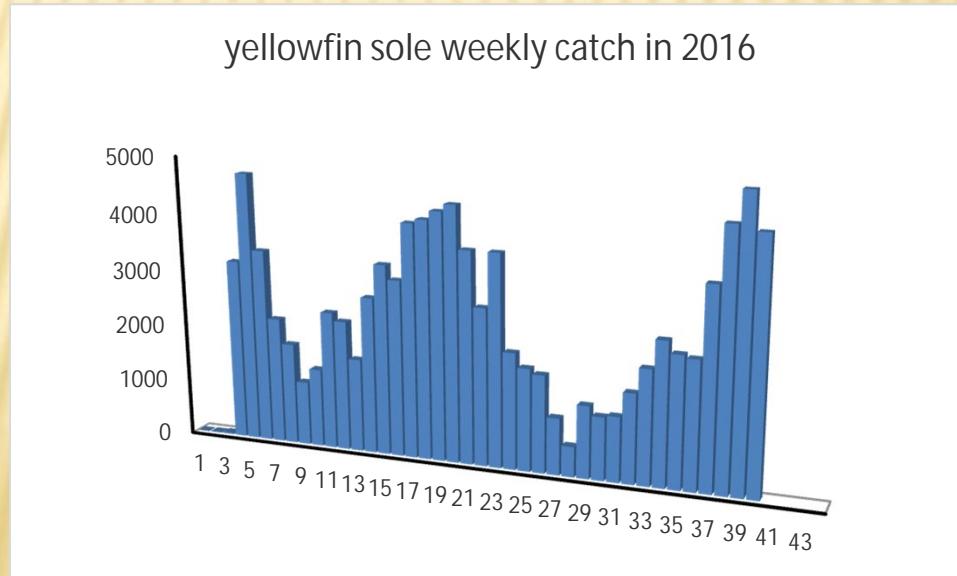
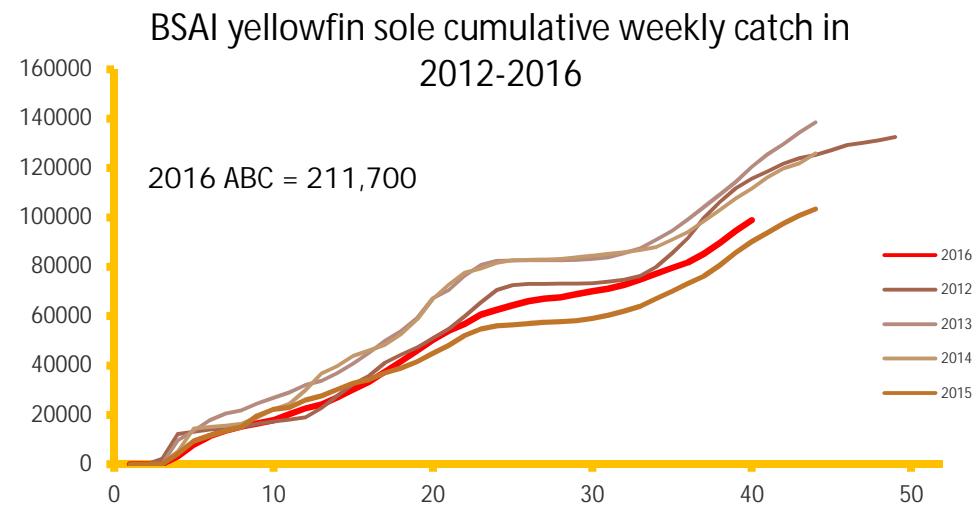
2016 CATCH = 128,000 T

AVERAGE 1978-2016 EXPLOITATION RATE = 0.043





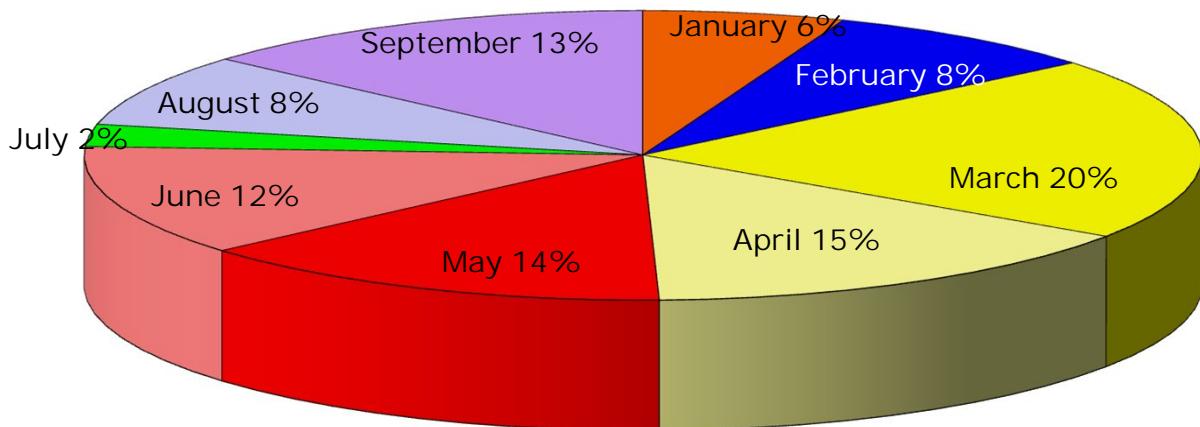
# Cumulative and weekly catch





## CATCH BY MONTH

yellowfin sole catch by month in 2016 through September 9

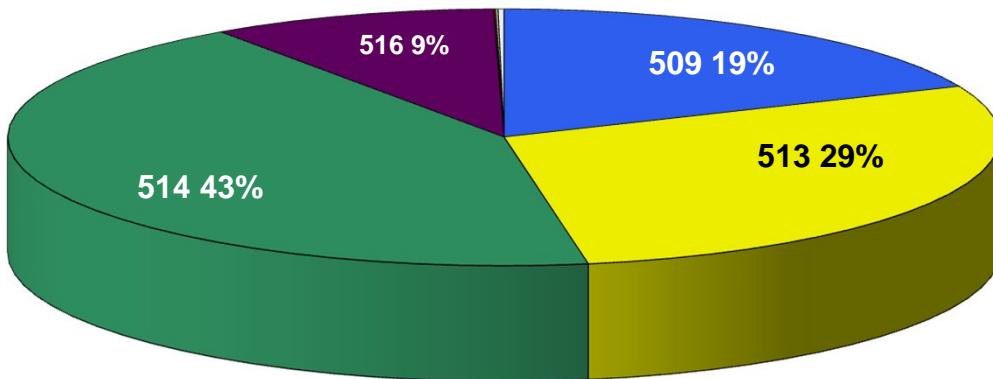


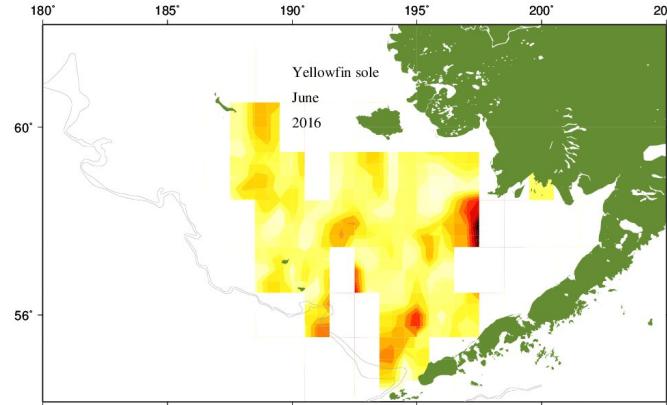
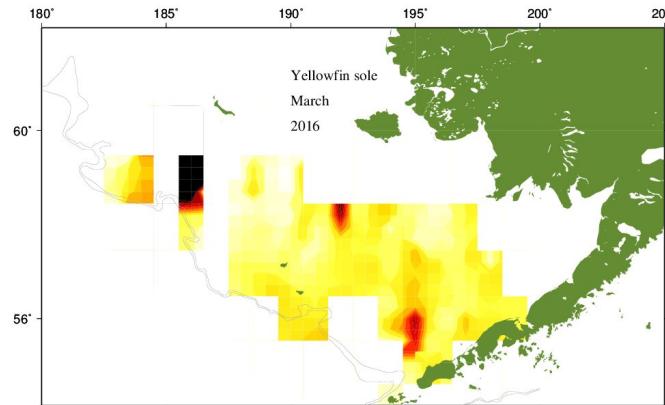
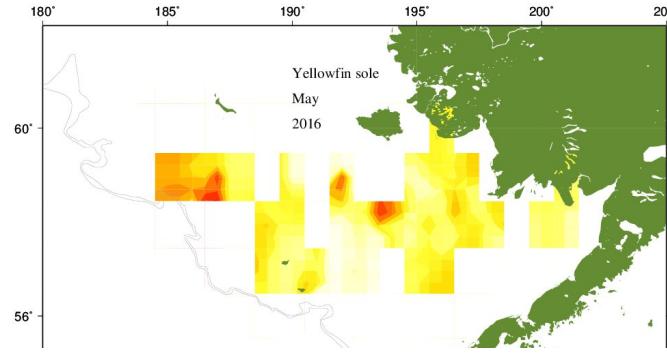
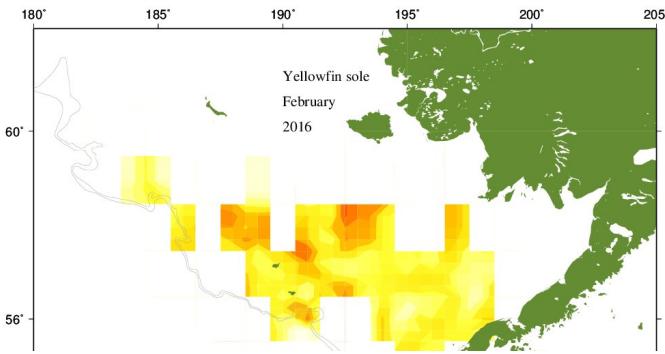
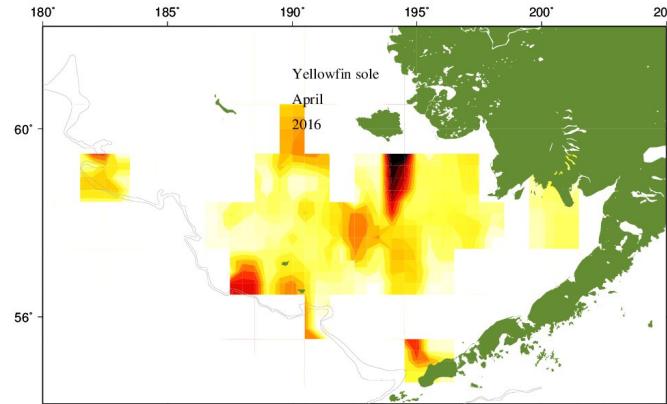
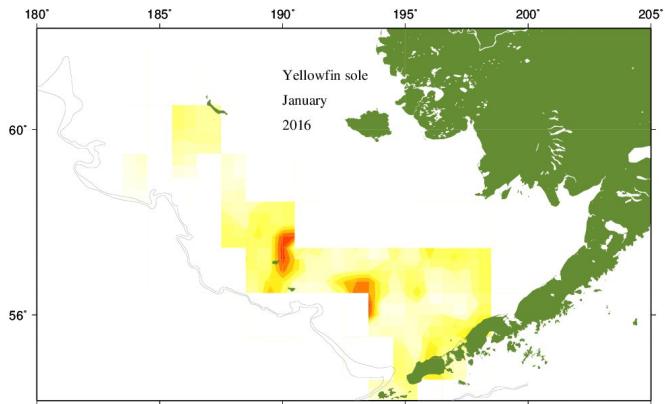


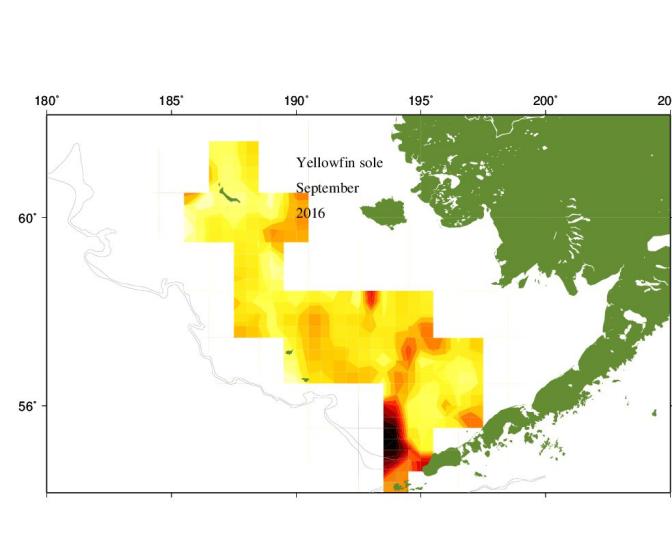
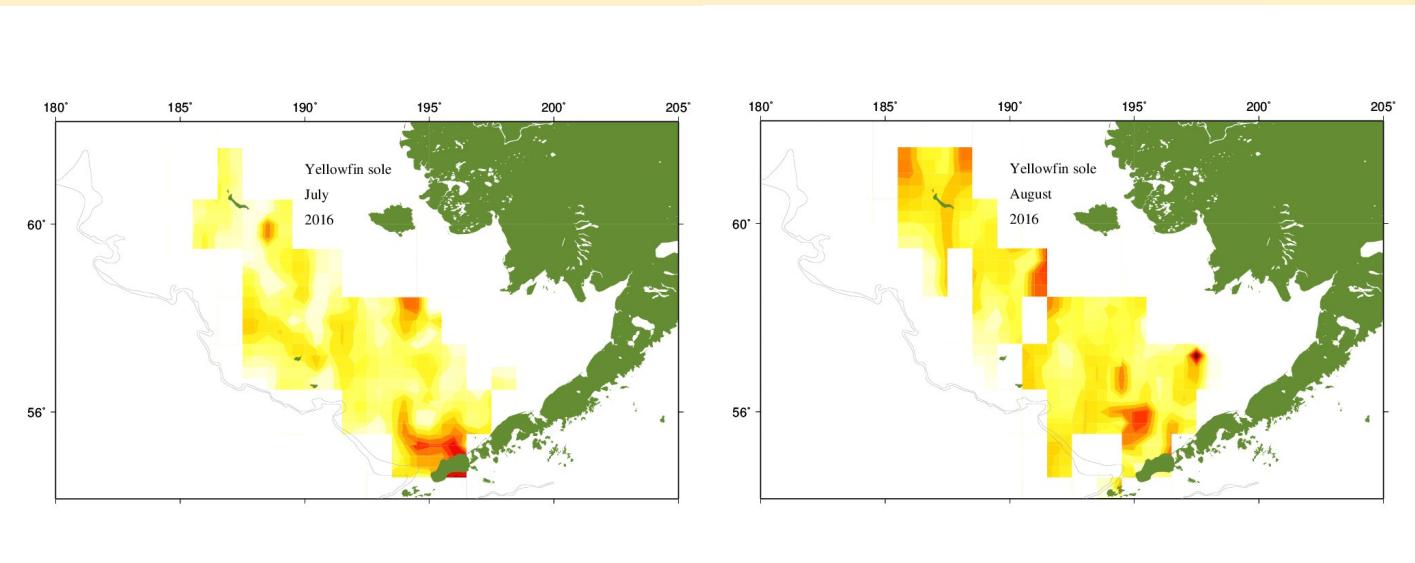
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yellowfin sole catch by area in 2016 (through September 9)

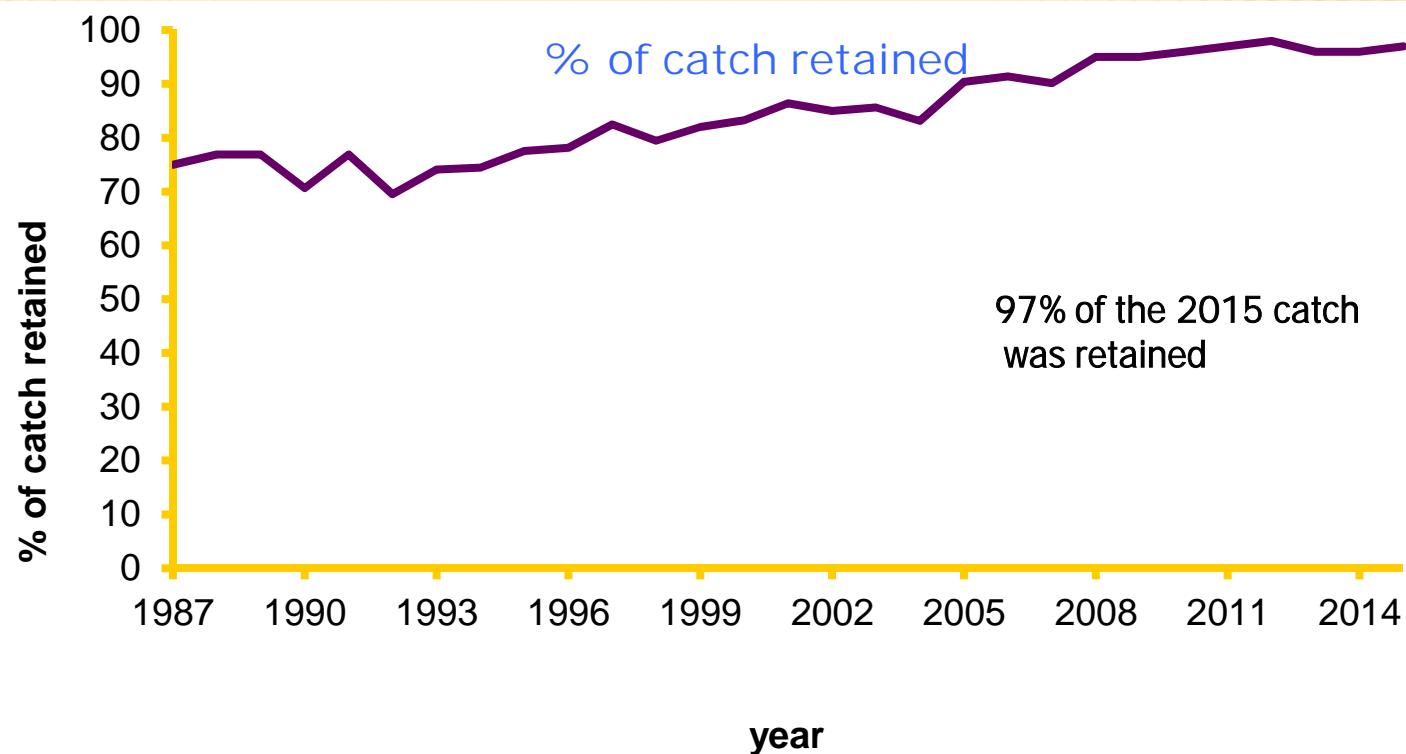








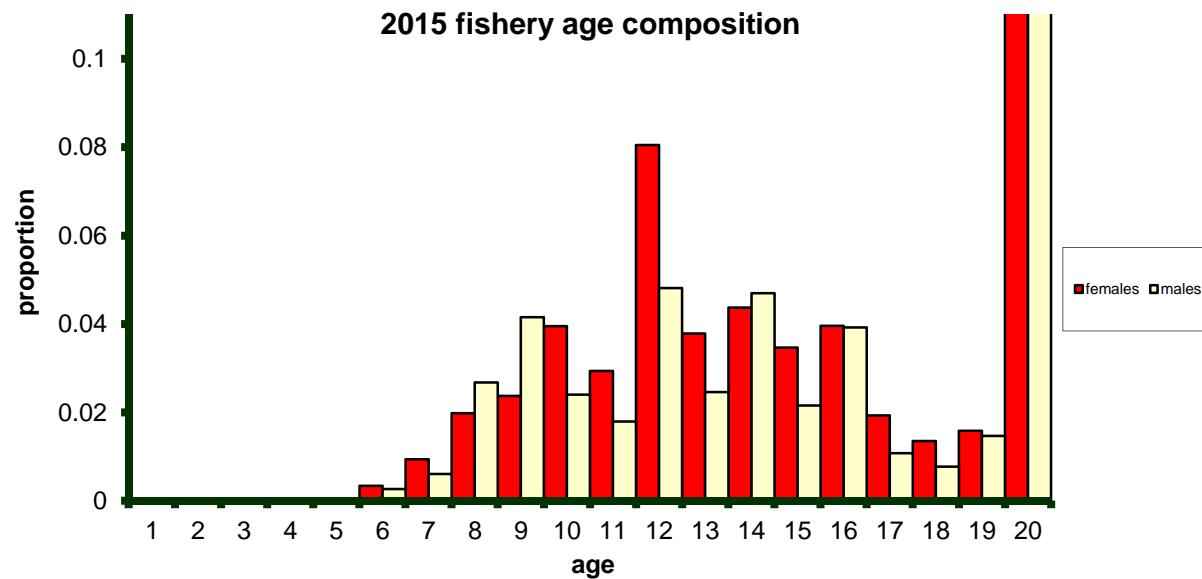
## ANNUAL ESTIMATE OF RETAINED CATCH (%)



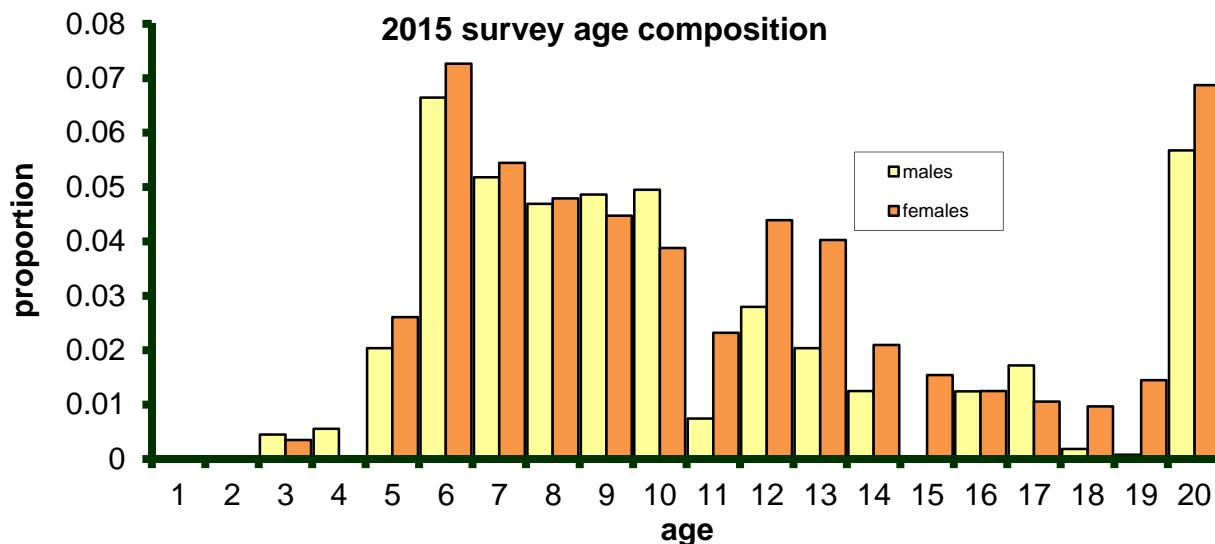


## NEW DATA FOR 2016

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12.6 years

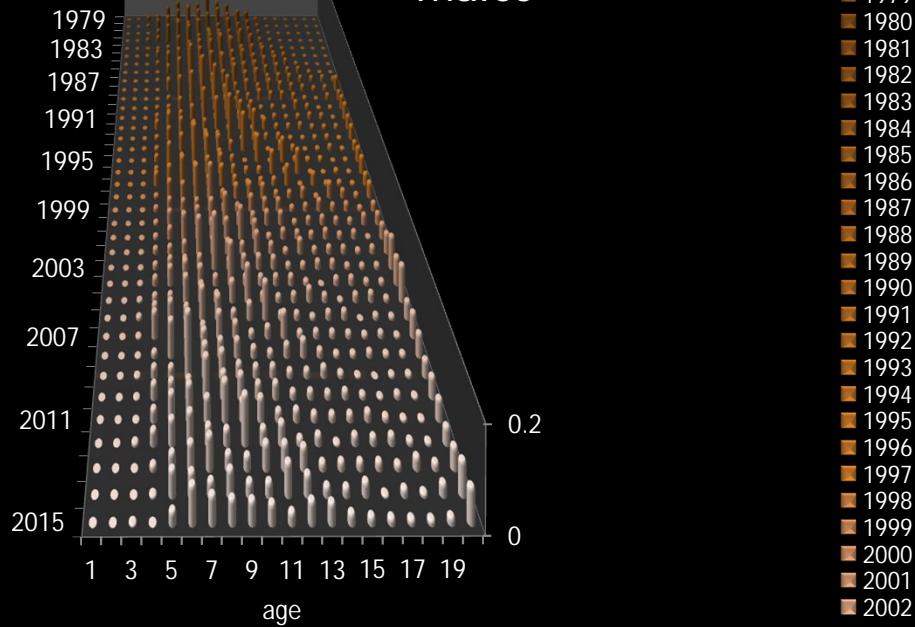


Model  
estimate of  
population  
Avg. age =  
6.7 years

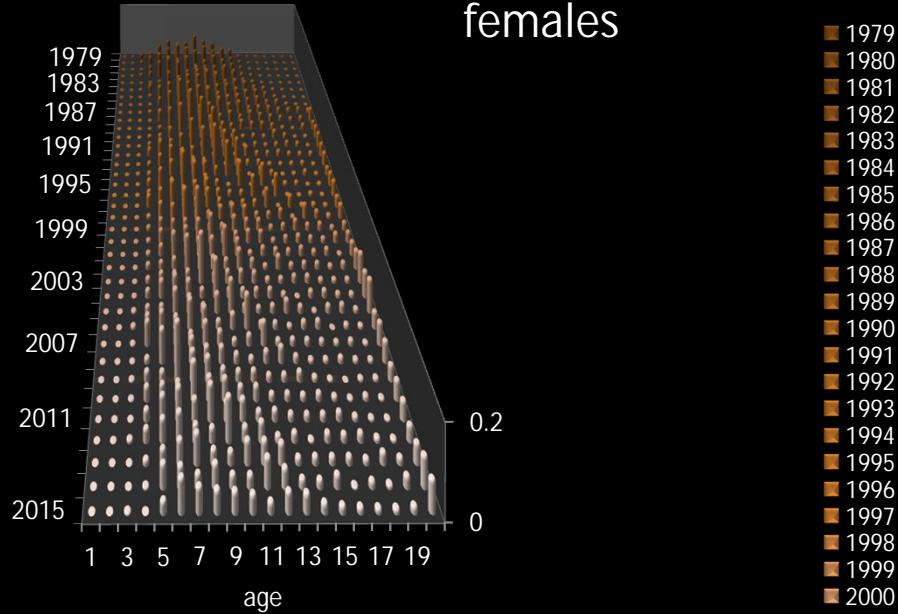


## Fishery age composition

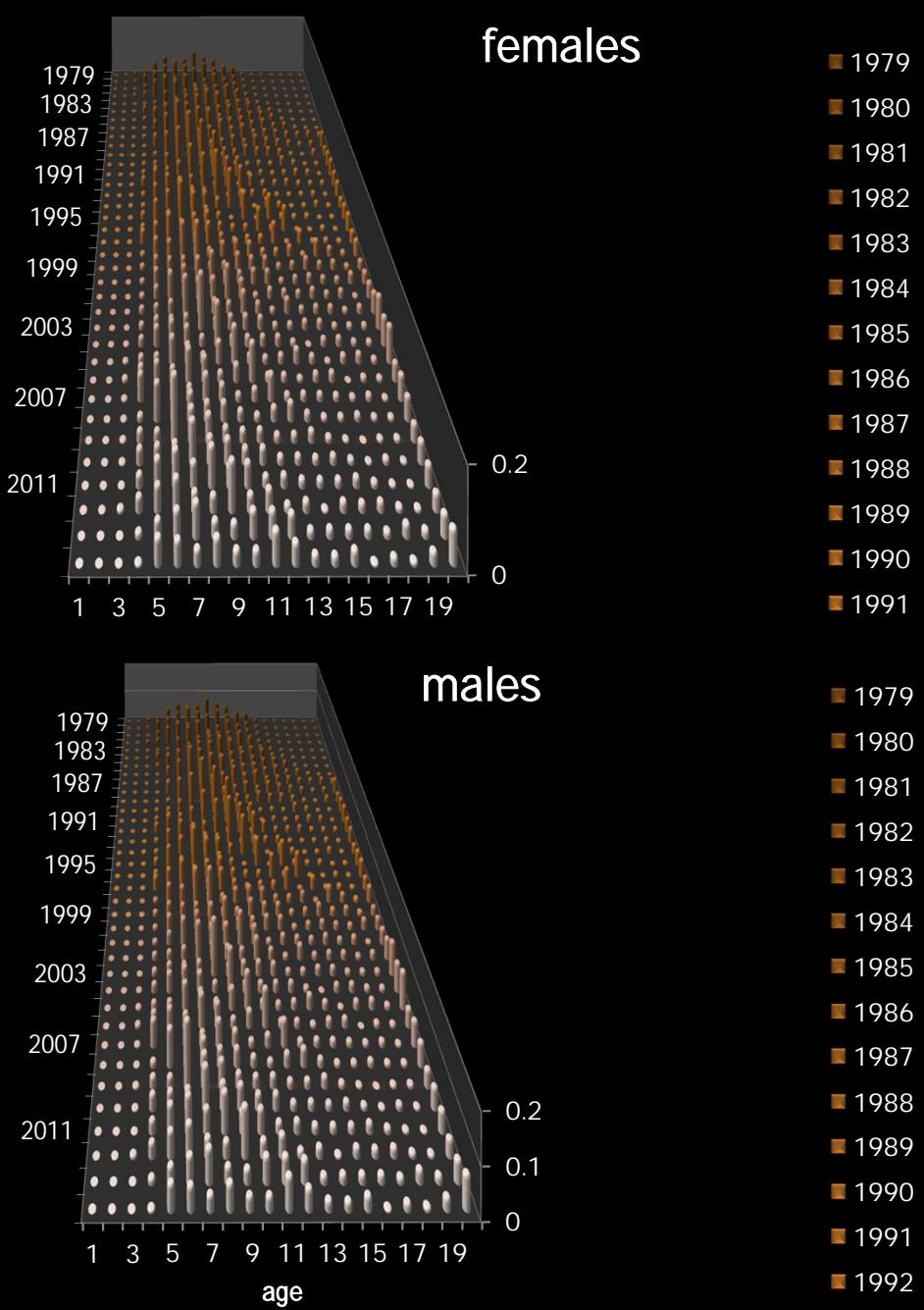
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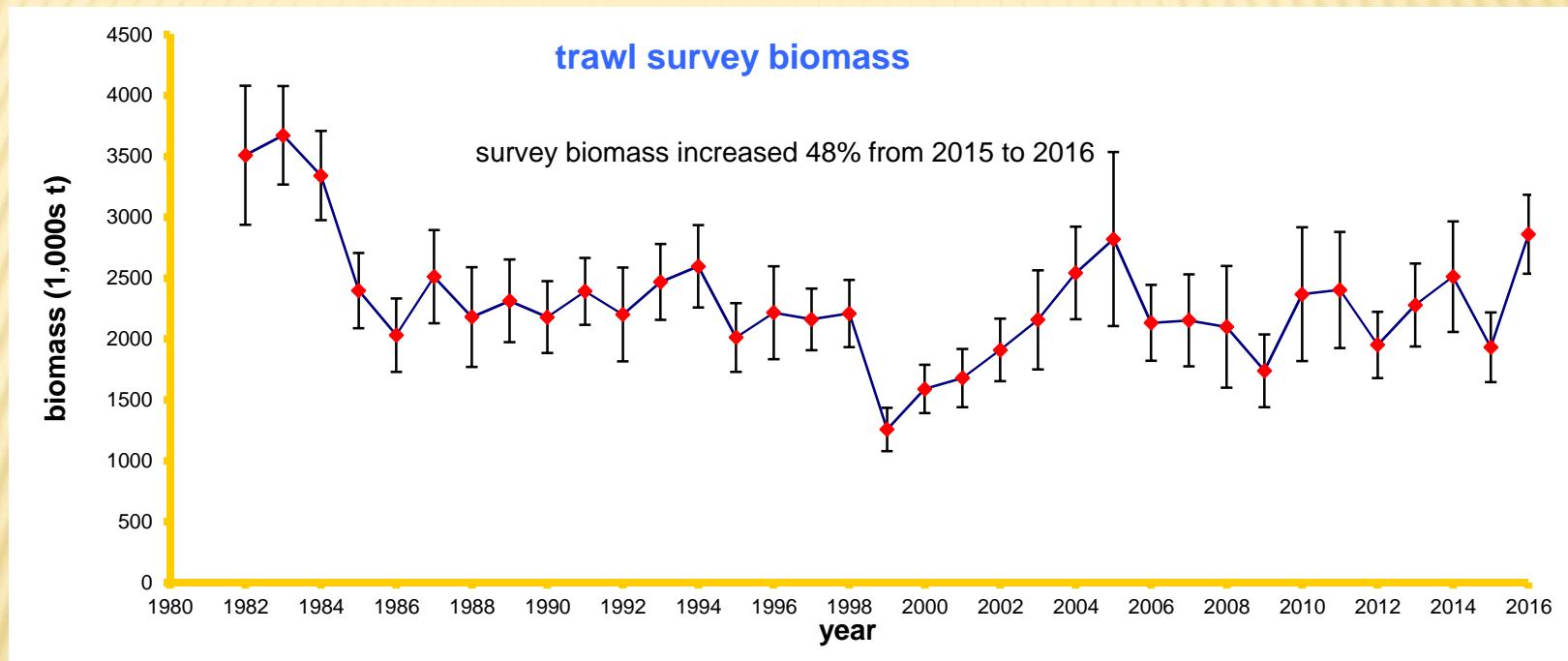
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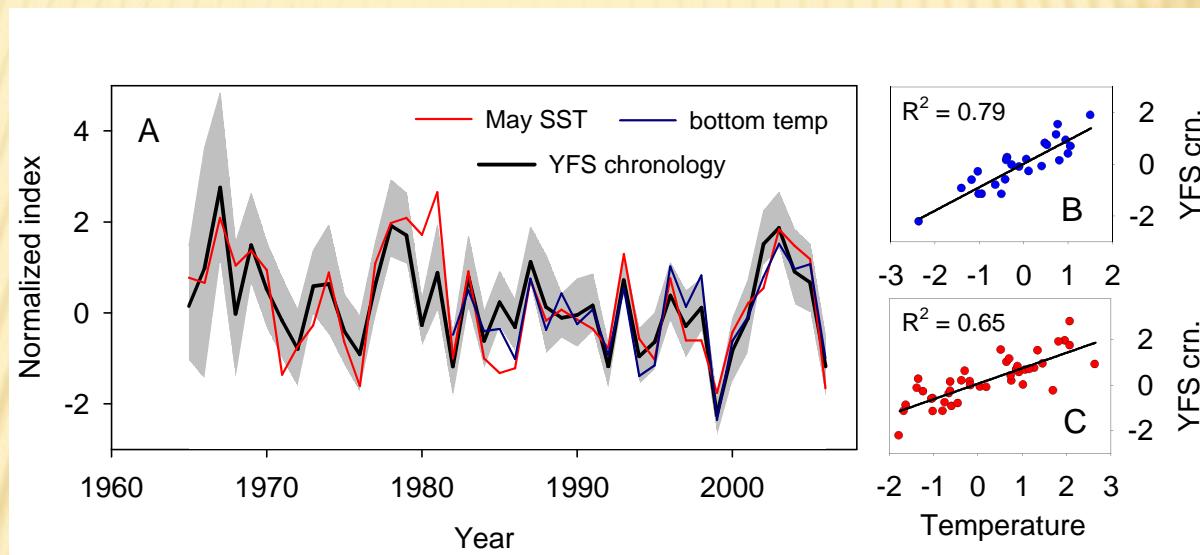
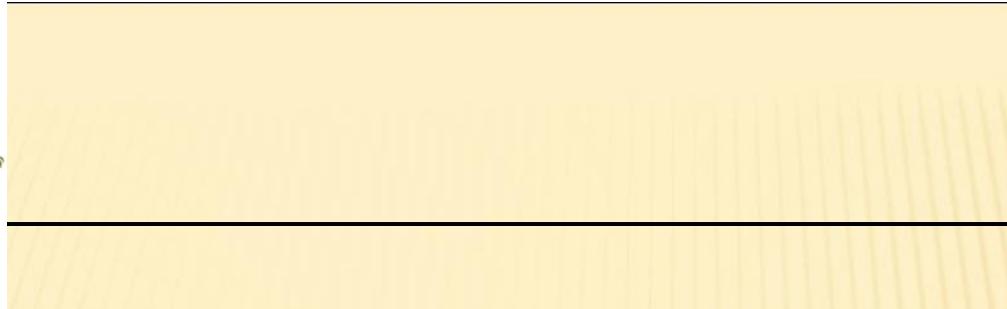


## Survey age composition

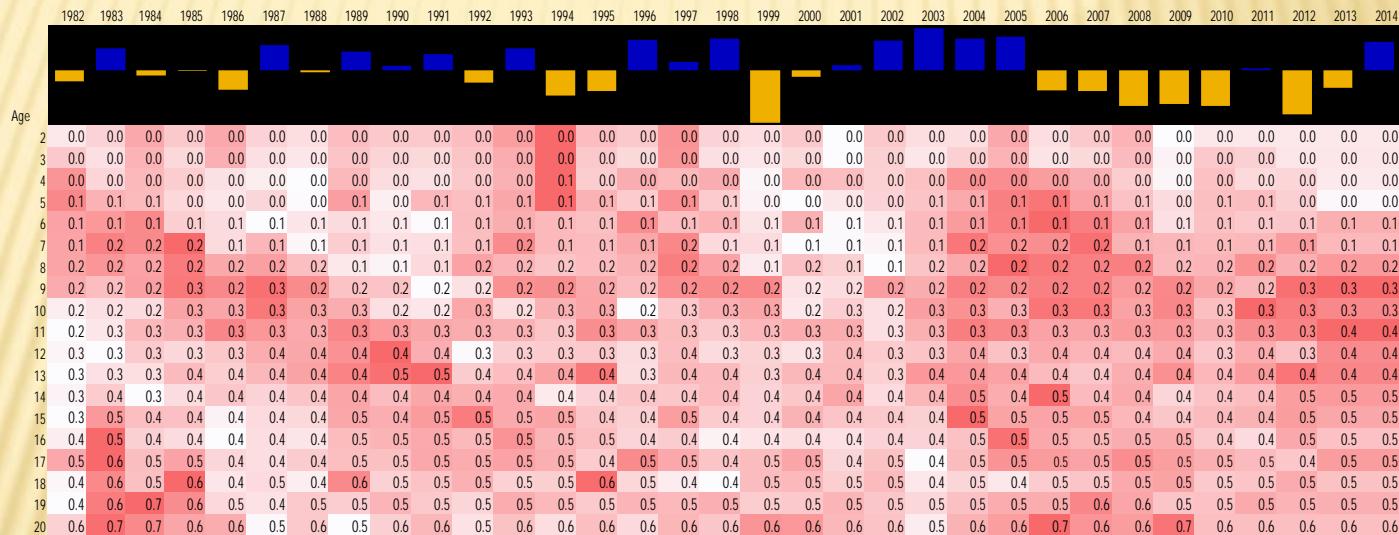


2016 SHELF SURVEY BIOMASS ESTIMATE = 2,859,800 T





Assessment uses empirical data from annual survey length at age estimates



# Expected annual growth increment

## Age effect on growth





## FLATFISH SPLIT-SEX MODEL



### Input:

sex-specific estimates of fishery and survey age composition and weight at age, survey biomass, maturity

### Output:

Sex-specific estimates of population number, fishing mortality, selectivity, fishery and survey age composition.

Allows for estimation of sex-specific natural mortality



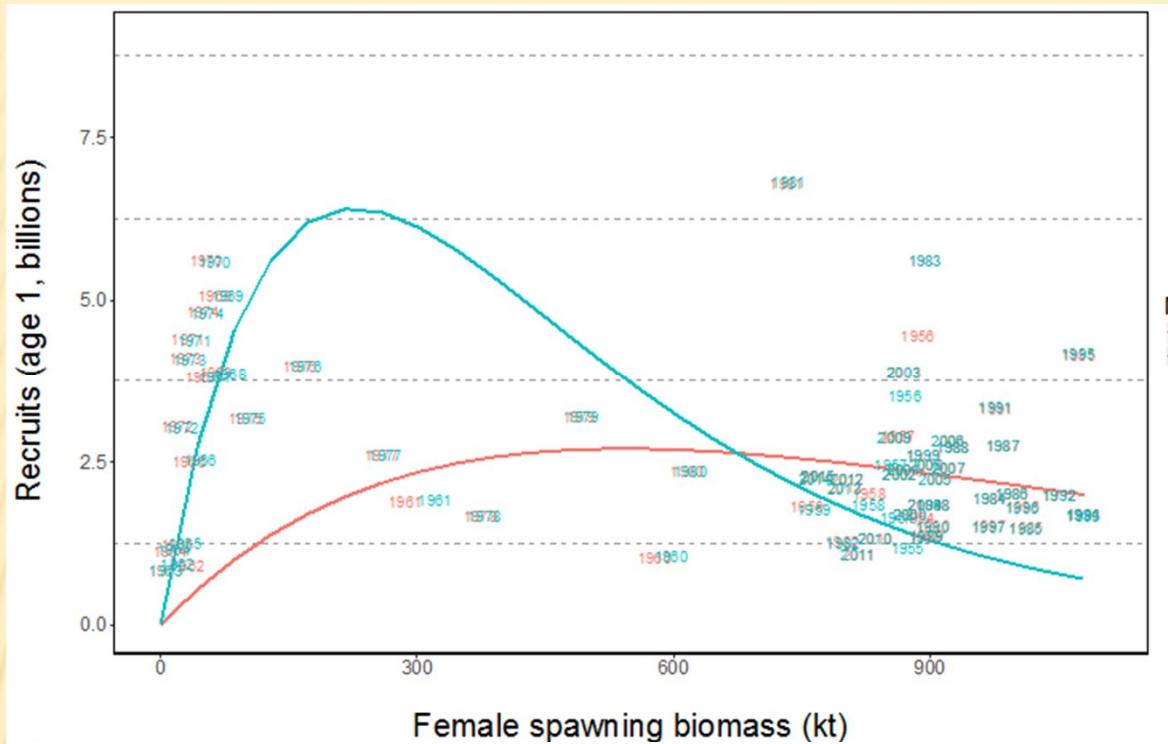
# STOCK ASSESSMENT MODEL



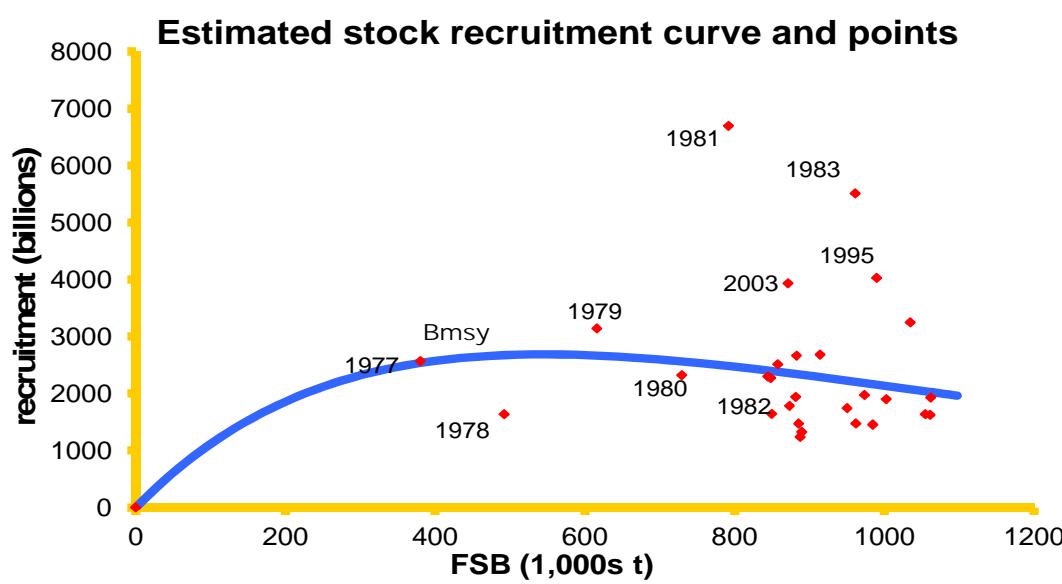
- ✖ Data components include fishery and trawl survey age compositions and survey biomass and standard error
- ✖ Selectivity is fixed asymptotic for older fish
- ✖ Runs made with natural mortality fixed at 0.12 and estimated
- ✖ Ricker spawner-recruit curve estimated inside the model
- ✖ Fishery selectivity is estimated for each year and gender
- ✖ Catchability ( $q$ ) is estimated for each year in the model by considering the relationship to annual bottom water temperature

$$q = e^{\alpha + \beta T}$$

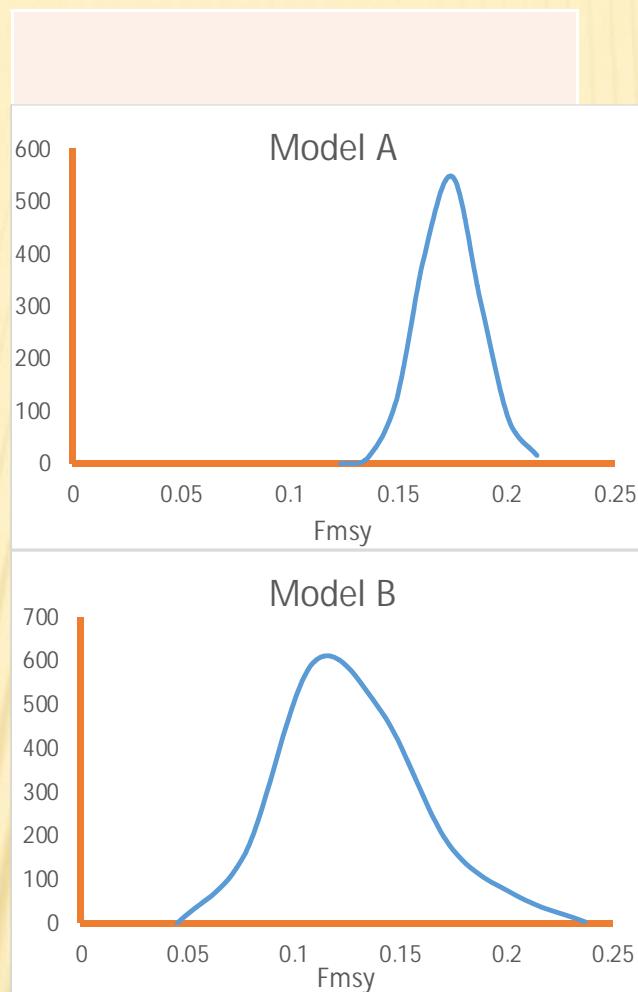
$$B_{\text{msy}} = 336,000 \text{ t}$$



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## Distribution of pdf $F_{\text{msy}}$ from mcmc runs



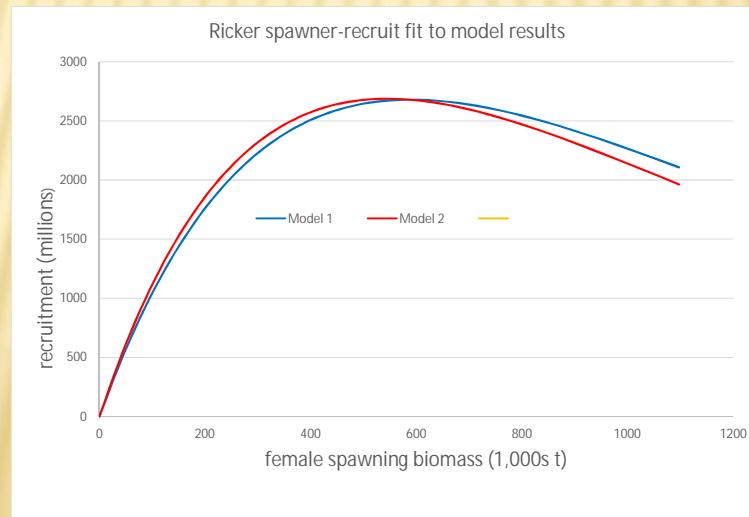
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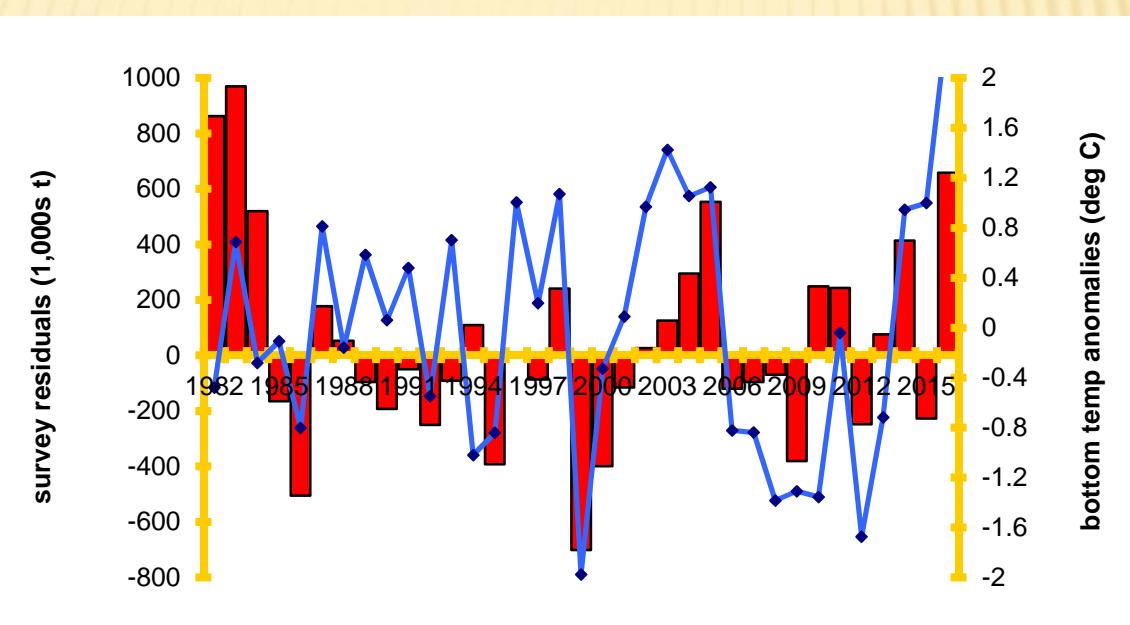
# EFFECT OF 2016 DATA AND FISHERY WT AT AGE SMOOTHING ON MODEL ESTIMATES

	Model 0	Model 1	Model 2
Fabc	0.10	0.10	0.11
FOFL	0.11	0.11	0.13
6+ biomass	2,169,70	2,333,450	2,290,140
ABC	211,694	226,278	260,826
OFL	228,053	248,423	287,051
FSB	702,179	791,479	778,569





## TRAWL SURVEY RESIDUALS (RED BARS) AND BOTTOM TEMPERATURE ANOMALIES (BLUE LINE)

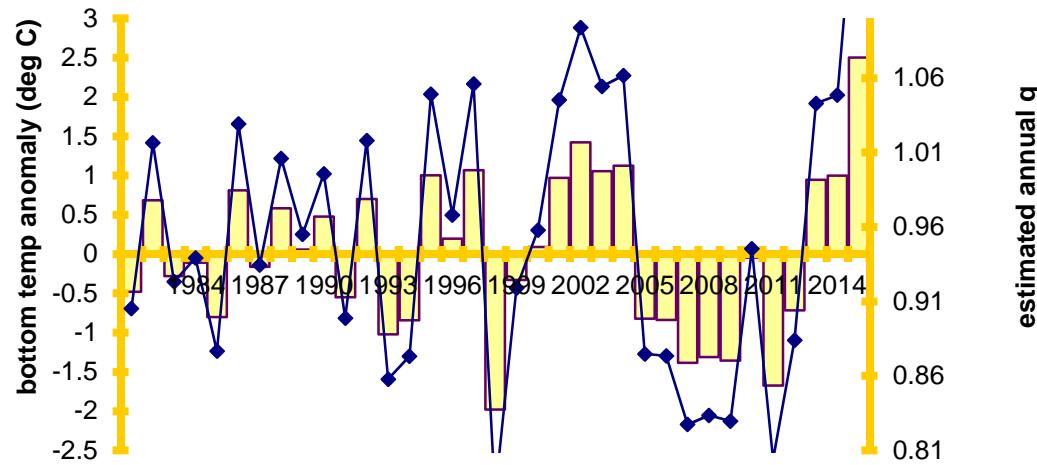




## TIME-VARYING SURVEY CATCHABILITY

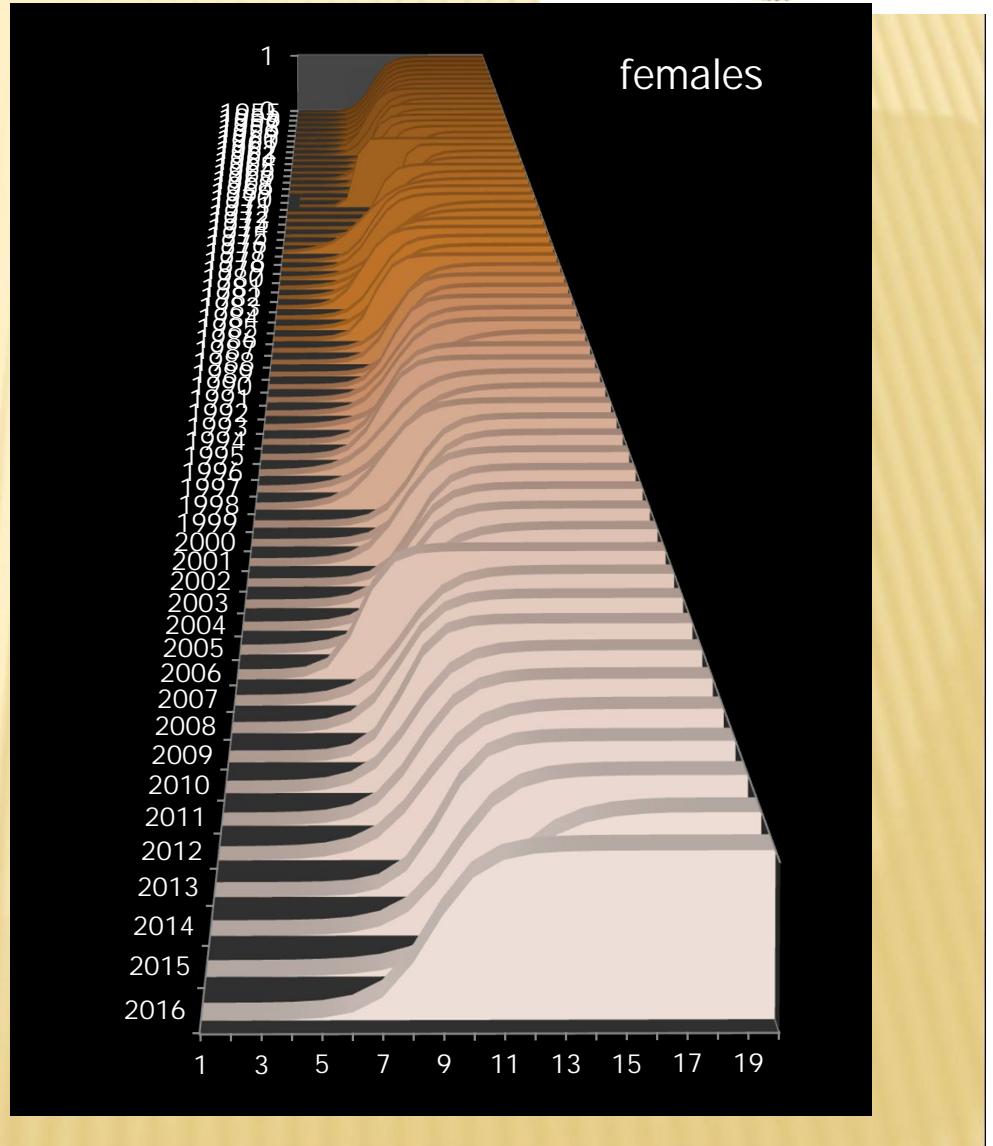
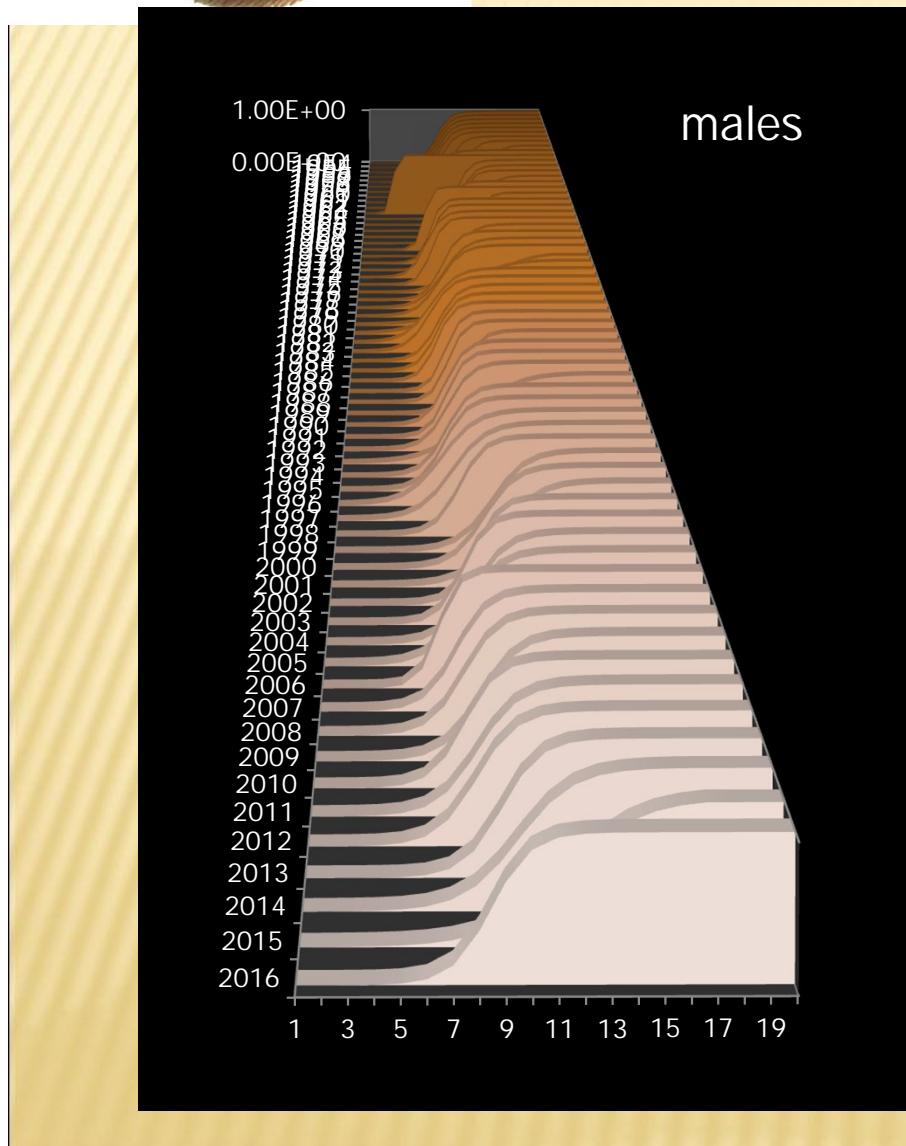


temperature-catchability model result



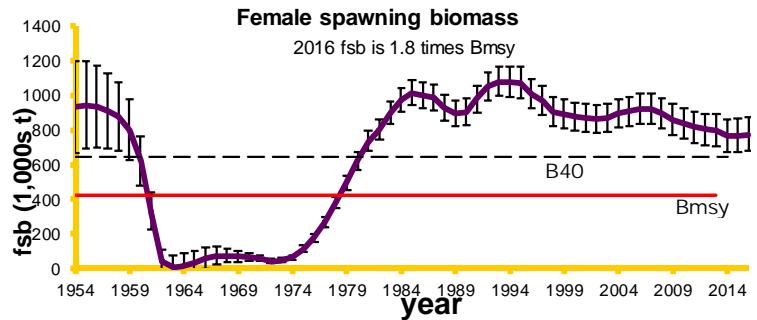
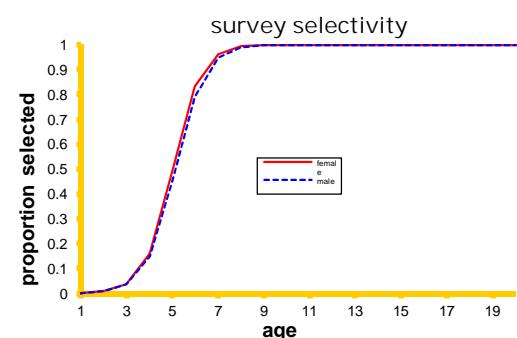
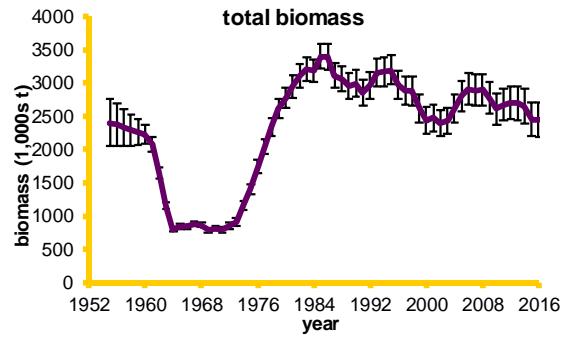
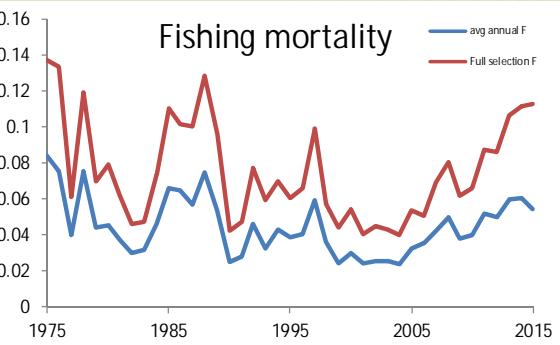
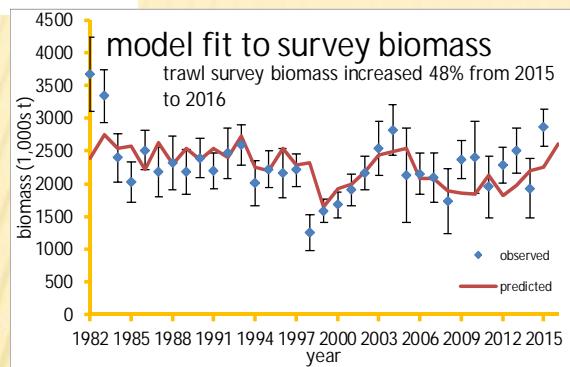


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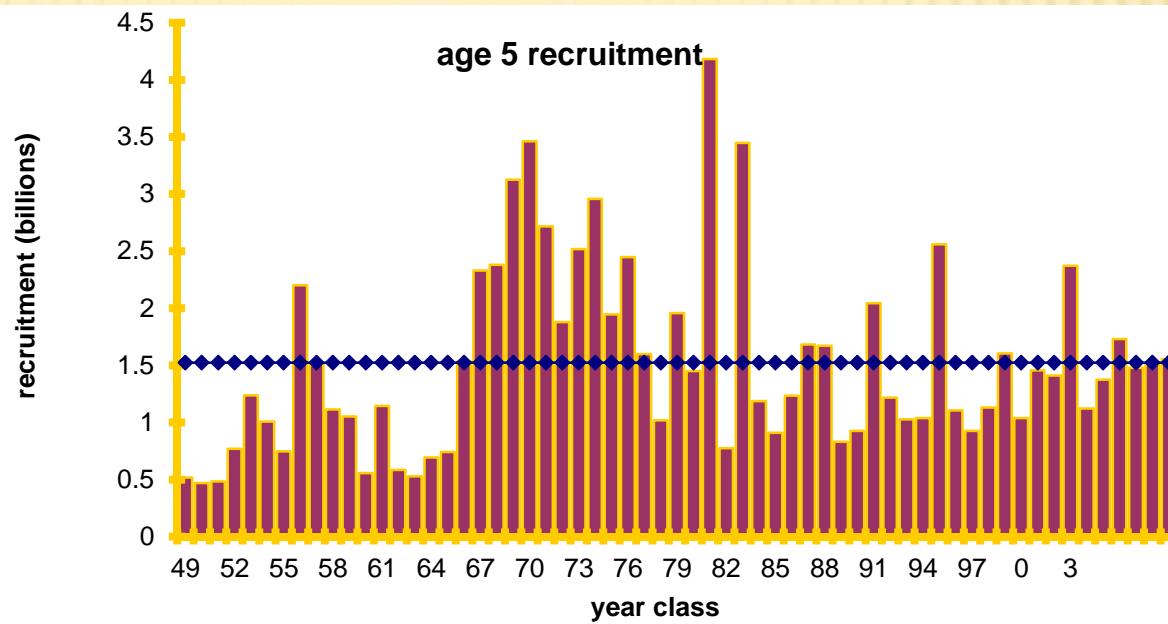


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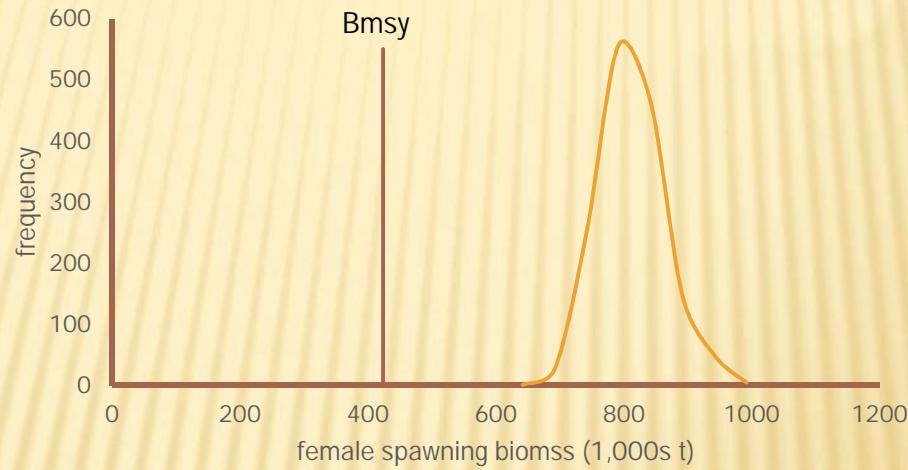




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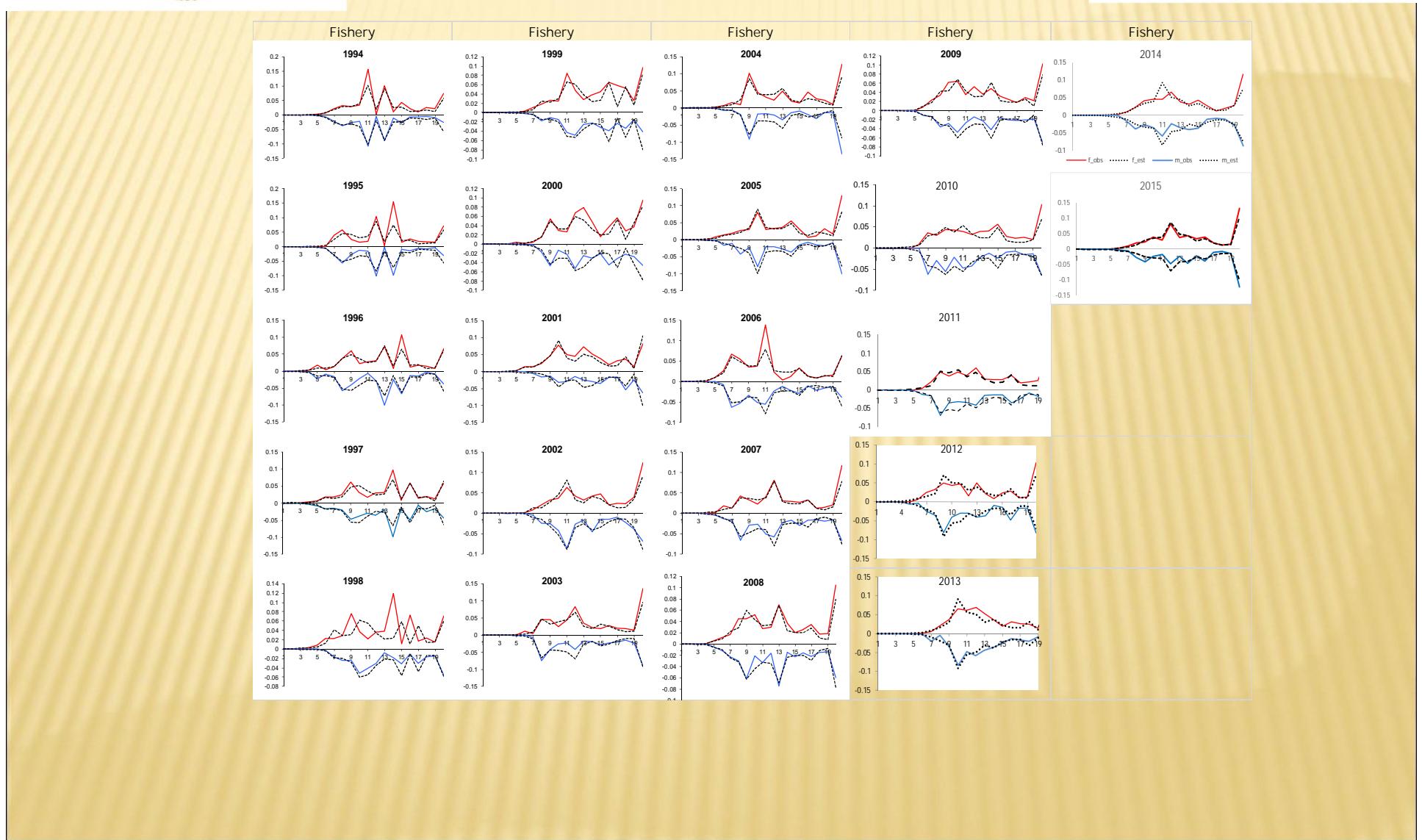


2016 female spawning biomass



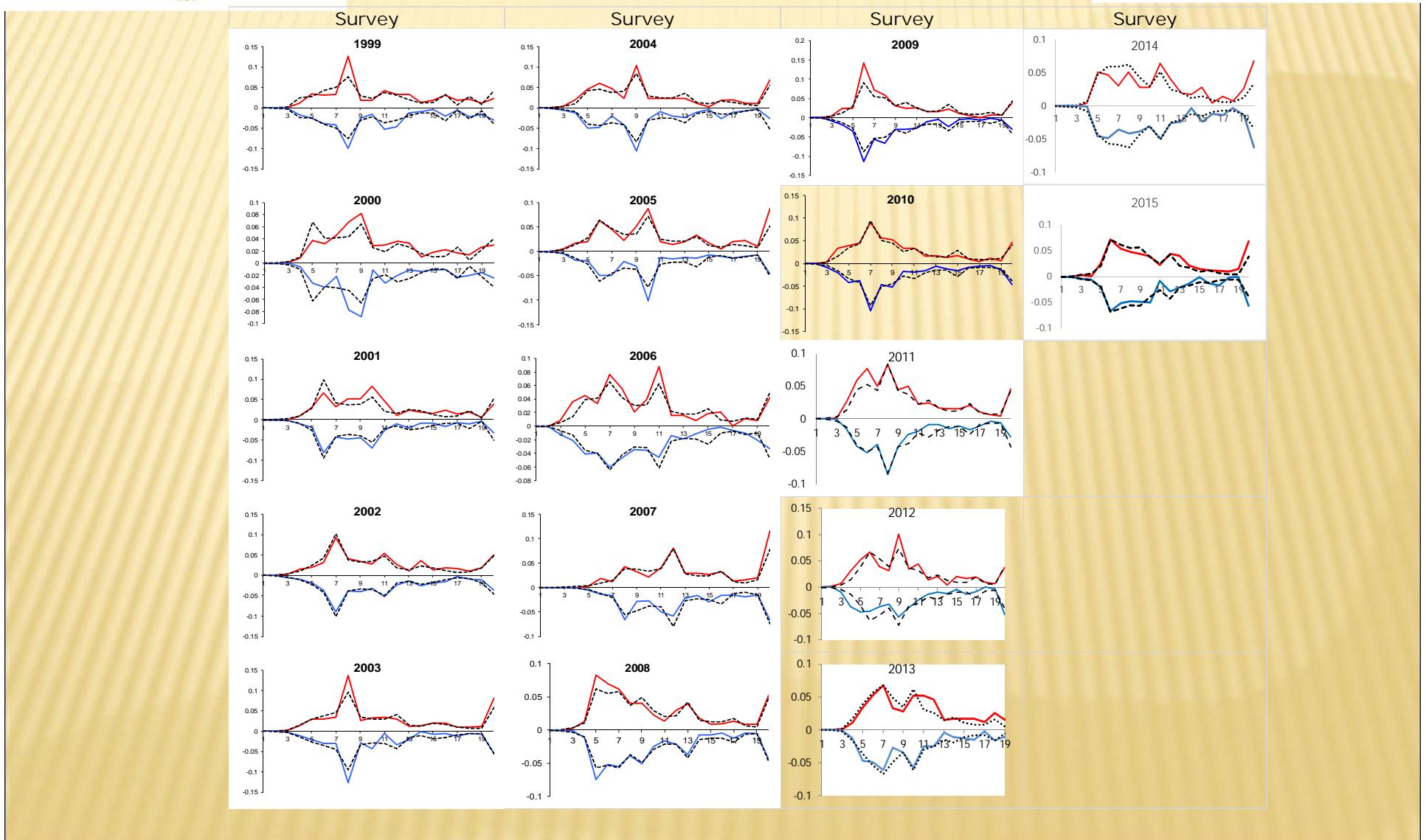


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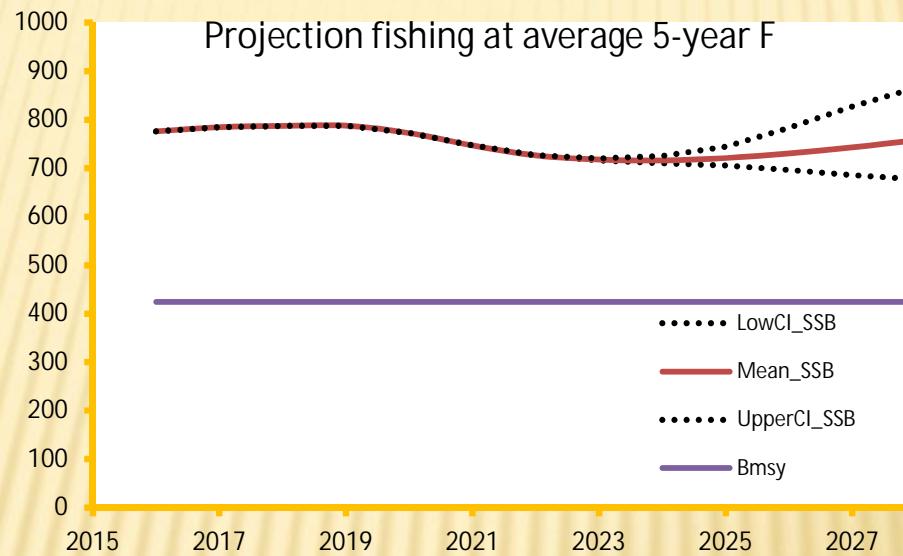


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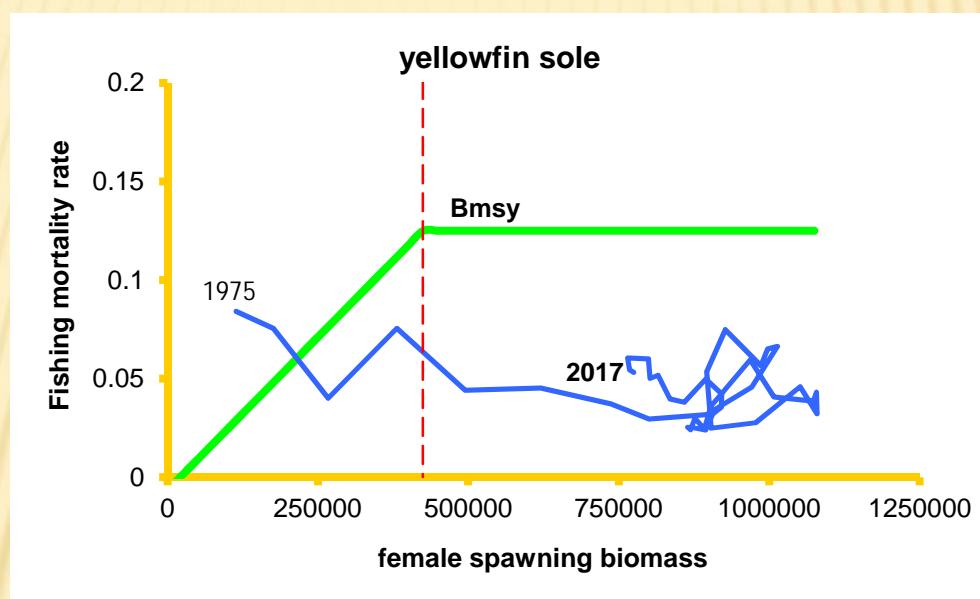


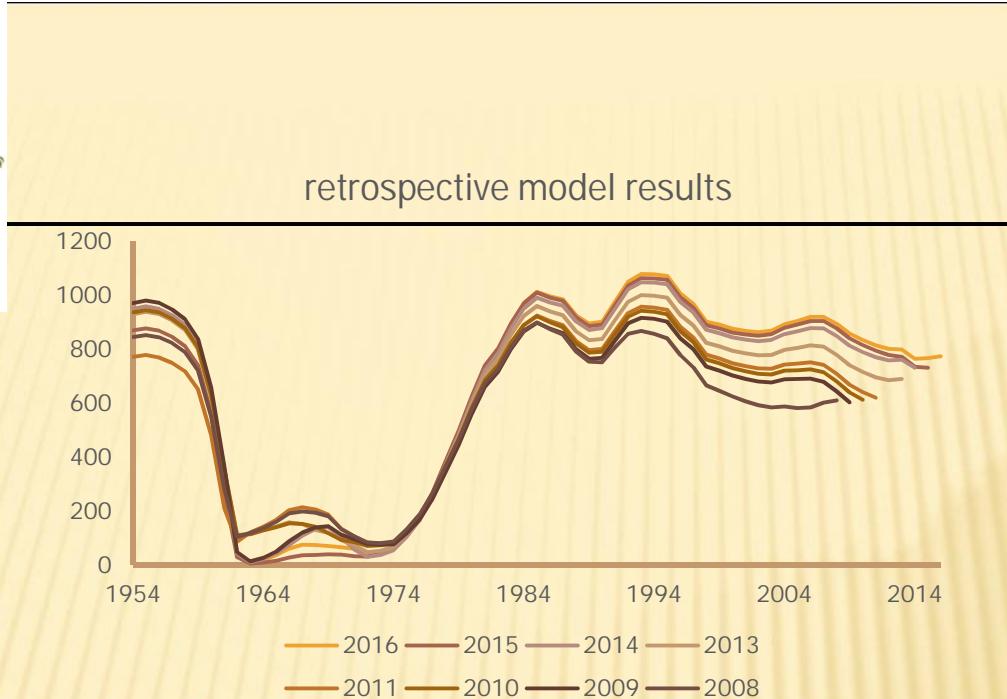
## PROJECTED FEMALE SPAWNING BIOMASS





# YELLOWFIN SOLE





### Trials:

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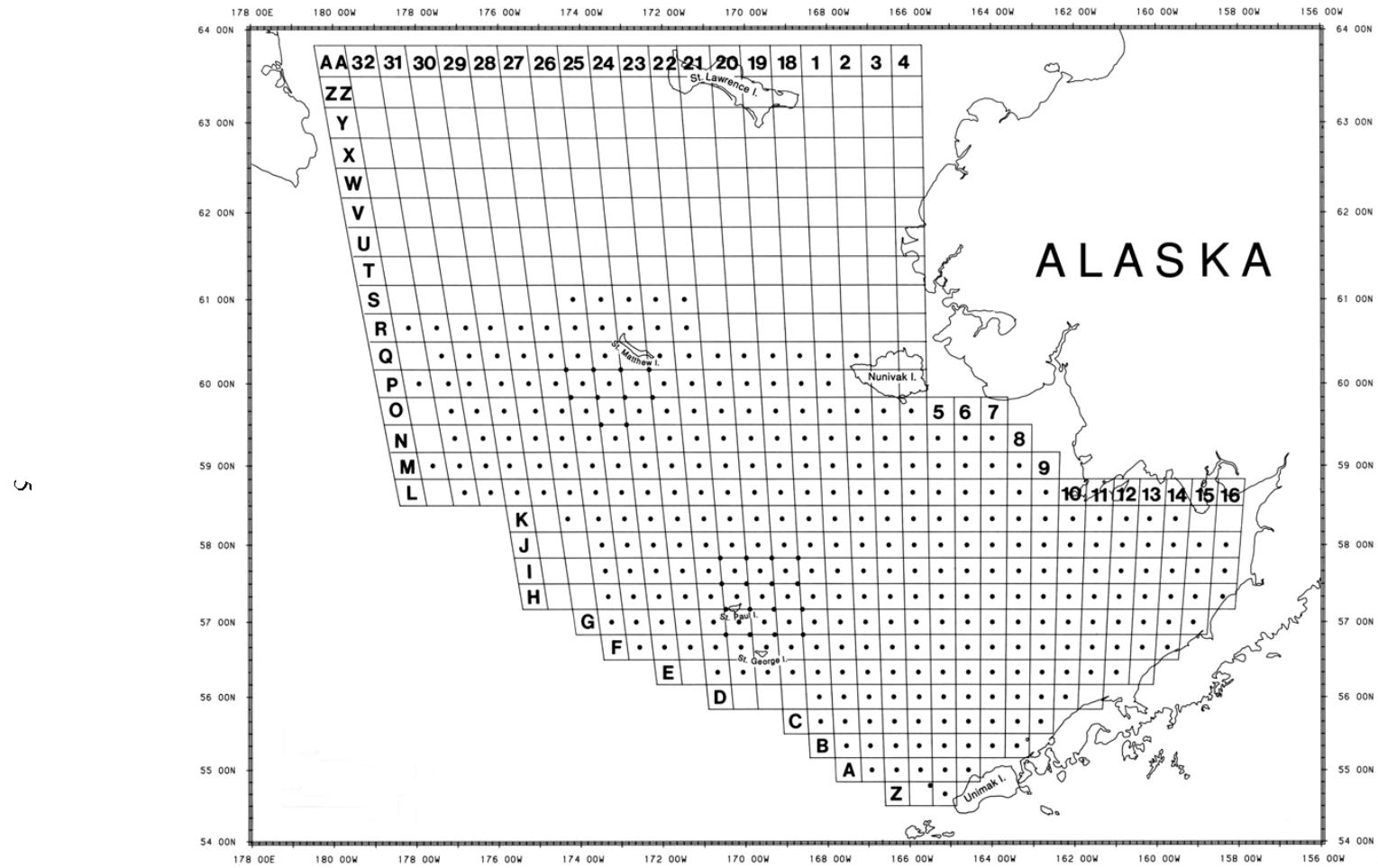


Figure 1. -- Eastern Bering Sea survey grid map of sampled stations.