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Northern Shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*, Krøyer) from EU-Spain Bottom Trawl
Survey 2019 in NAFO Div. 3LNO

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Abstract

The Spanish Institute of Oceanography carried out in 2019 two bottom trawl surveys in the NAFO Regulatory Area in Division 3NO and 3L during the months of June and August respectively. The results on Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) are presented and compared with those from previous surveys from the same series. As recent years in 2019 the shrimp catch (1.359 kg.) and estimated biomass (5092 t.) in Divisions 3NO remain between the lowest of the series, confirming the decrease of shrimp importance from 2004. The Northern shrimp catches in 3L Division have declined since 2009, the shrimp catch (1164 kg.) and biomass estimated in 2019 (7063 t.) remain between the lowest values in the historical series.

Introduction

Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis* Krøyer, 1883) is a protrandric, circumpolar species, discontinuously distributed in the North Atlantic and of considerable commercial importance. The greatest abundance is being in the Northwest Atlantic at latitudes above 46°N. The stock of this species in Div. 3LNO, NAFO is distributed along the entire edge of the Grand Bank, mainly in Div. 3L, at depths generally ranging from 185 to 550 metres, although historically at least 92.7% of the 3LNO shrimp biomass had been found within Division 3L. The proportion of biomass in 3LNO within the NAFO Regulatory Area (NRA), over the period 1996 – 2014, accounted for between 4 and 32.6% (Orr and Sullivan, 2014).

Since 1995, Canadian multi-species stratified random surveys have been used to estimate northern shrimp biomass and abundance indices within NAFO Div. 3LNO. In this series of surveys, Div. 3N accounts for between 0.2 and 8.1% of the total 3LNO biomass. Between 0 and 100% of the 3N biomass was located outside the 200 Nmi limit. The biomass in Division 3O accounts for less than 1% of the biomass in Div. 3LNO and only a negligible amount of the biomass in Div. 3O is beyond the 200 mile limit (Orr and Sullivan, 2014).

The fishery began in 1993 and came under TAC control in 2000. The TAC was then reduced annually until no directed fishing was implemented for 2015. The Oceanographic Spanish Institute (IEO) is conducting research cruises since 1995 in the NAFO Regulatory Area in Div. 3NO beyond Canada's EEZ. A stratified, random, bottom trawl, multi-species research sampling program was carried out to obtain abundance and biomass indices as well as other biological data for the most important commercial species present in the area. In the surveys conducted between 1995 and 2000, the catches of northern shrimp were insignificant. This could be explained



by the low efficiency of the fishing gear “pedreira”, with this species (Paz et al., 1995), used in those years.

Since 2001, the survey was carried out on board R/V “*Vizconde de Eza*” using a Campelen 1800 net (Walsh et al., 2001). Despite the improvements incorporated with the new vessel and the use of a Campelen 1800 net, which is highly efficient for this species (Vazquez, 2002), total catches in 2001 were poor, i.e., 29 kg. In the following years a significant increase of the catches of northern shrimp was noted in 3NO Division where catches were higher than 300 kg. Since 2007 the catches have declined to levels next to the lowest in the historical series.

Also, since 2003 a new research survey was conducted in Division 3L as an extension of the survey carried out in 3NO (Román *et al.*, 2008). The estimated biomass in 3L Division always was very superior to that estimated in 3NO. Since 2009 year the catches have declined to low levels staying in the last years between the lowest in the historical series.

This work presents data on the geographical distribution in the NAFO Regulatory Area (Div. 3LNO), on biomass, length frequencies and age structure of catches of northern shrimp on EU-Spanish bottom trawl surveys 2019.

Materials and Methods

In 2019 the EU-Spanish bottom trawl surveys were carried out in 3NO (from 8th to 24th June) and 3L (from 3st to 23st August) following set guidelines previously established for the series of Spanish research surveys (Walsh *et al.*, 2001). These surveys took place in Div. 3NO and 3L, with a total of 115 and 96 valid hauls respectively ranging depths between 43 and 1438 m approximately. All strata were surveyed.

Shrimp samples of approximately 1.5 kg were taken to determine length frequencies. Males and females were separated with reference to the endopod of the first pleopod (Rasmussen, 1953). Following this criterion, individuals that were in the middle of a sex change were considered as females. The females were differentiated into mature and immature, following the sternal spines criteria (McCray, 1971). Ovigerous females were considered as an independent group not included within the mature females.

Individuals were measured onboard by noting the distance from the base of the eye to the posterior mid dorsal point of the carapace -CL- (Shumway *et al.*, 1985). Such measurements were made to the lower half millimetre using electronic callipers.

Furthermore, in 2019 survey some samples were frozen onboard to determine the length-weight relationship in the laboratory.

Results and Discussion

The Table 1 shows the catches, biomass and standard errors estimated by swept area method of northern shrimp from the EU-Spanish multi-species surveys, carried out by IEO Vigo from 1995-2019 in the NAFO Div. 3NO and from 2003-2019 in Division 3L. In the summer of 2005 the research survey could not be carried out in Division 3L. From the year 2002 an abrupt increase with respect to earlier years occurred in 3NO Division, both in terms of catch and biomass (Diaz *et al.*, 2002). These initial data were considered with caution due to the fact that, until 2001, the “Pedreira” gear used as a sampler (Paz *et al.*, 1995) was not efficient for catching shrimp. However, although in 2001, the gear “type Pedreira” was changed for a new type “Campelen 1800” (Walsh *et al.*, 2001) with high efficiency for catching this species (Vazquez, 2002), the catches and biomass estimated stayed at low levels.

From 2002 to 2006, the increase of shrimp catches in 3NO was confirmed, in terms of the period 1995-2001. After that, in the last years the catches and estimated biomasses of shrimp have decreased markedly and they are now at levels of the beginning of the series. The estimated biomass in 2019 was around 5.092 t. (Figure 1).

Unlike 3NO, the estimated biomass in 3L Division showed a general upward trend from 63647 t. in 2003 to 149265 t. in 2008. This trend changed in 2009 with the strong decline of the biomass estimated (74091 t, about 50% with respect to 2008) and since then the biomass decreased up to the historical minimum recorded in 2019 (7063 t.), (Figure 1).

The distribution of northern shrimp catches in the EU-Spanish trawl surveys 2019 is shown in Figure 2. As in previous years the catches in 3NO Division were residuals.

The Tables 2 and 3 show the shrimp biomass by depth strata from 1995 to 2019 surveys in 3NO Divisions and from 2003 to 2019 in 3L Division. Although it is considered that the shrimp in Div. 3LNO is distributed along the entire edge of the Grand Bank, at depths generally ranging from 51 to 300 fathoms (93-550 m.), the depth of the bulk of biomass in 3L Division was generally in depths lower than 200 ft (73% of the biomass in 2019). From 2013 to 2015 this general pattern changed and the percentage of the estimated biomass in depths lower than 200 ft decreased up to 44%, 77% and 85% of the biomass in 2013, 2014 and 2015 respectively. In 3NO the percentage of the estimated biomass in depths lower than 200 ft. varied along the years, showing a deeper distribution in 2004, 2005 and 2011 (26%, 34% and 21% respectively).

The length distribution by sex estimated in 3NO and 3L Divisions are presented in the tables 4, 5 and Figure 3. In 3NO, the main modes were around 15.5/16.0 mm. for males and 25.5 mm. for females; and 18 mm. for males and 23 mm. for females in 3L Division. In 2019 the sex ratio was different in both Divisions, showing a higher percentage of the males (83%) in 3NO.

The MIX modal size analysis programme was used with the length distribution by sex estimated in 3L Divisions (Table 6). From the cited analysis the males presented four modes at 9.0, 16.1, 18.2 and 21.2 mm. corresponding with ages 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively. The females showed several modes at 16.7, 18.9, 21.9, 24.7, 26.9 and 27.8 mm from ages 2 to 7 years old.

The Table 7 shows the length-weight relationship estimated in 2019 surveys by sex and maturity stage as well the parameters of the relationship, number of specimens sampled and determination coefficient R^2 . 281 and 2810 individuals were selected in 3NO and 3L Divisions respectively, dried and weighed with a precision of 0.01g to calculate the length-weight relationship in each Division.

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Table 1. Northern shrimp biomass estimated by swept area (t), standard error and catches (kg) from EU-Spanish bottom trawl surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO, 1995-2019 and 3L 2003-2019.

3NO				3L			
Year	Biomass		Catch (kg)	Year	Biomass		Catch (kg)
	tons	Std.err.			tons	Std. err	
1995 ¹	14	13	5	2003 ²	63647	20105	5836
1996 ¹	18	17	2	2004 ²	94270	40332	5093
1997 ¹	1	1	0	2005	Not surveyed		
1998 ¹	23	17	5	2006 ²	125850	12690	17805
1999 ¹	81	36	13	2007 ²	113402	13445	18098
2000 ¹	26	9	6	2008 ²	149265	48490	23720
2001 ²	178	72	29	2009 ²	74091	37999	12173
2002 ²	2043	814	408	2010 ²	37803	9836	6103
2003 ²	1618	716	325	2011 ²	24346	4449	4092
2004 ²	2654	1693	550	2012 ²	10784	3724	1838
2005 ²	1627	590	368	2013 ²	17438	5363	3101
2006 ²	1274	352	278	2014 ²	10846	2764	1860
2007 ²	401	285	71	2015 ²	8435	1930	1450
2008 ²	144	98	24	2016 ²	20125	7903	3418
2009 ²	140	111	33	2017 ²	12893	2804	2149
2010 ²	114	35	21	2018 ²	7807	1726	1352
2011 ²	37	24	9	2019 ²	7063	1706	1164
2012 ²	3.86	3.04	0.92				
2013 ²	38	15	9				
2014 ²	2.97	0.63	0.84				
2015 ²	1.96	0.60	0.53				
2016 ²	2.36	1.93	0.39				
2017 ²	3.02	1.39	0.59				
2018 ²	2.41	0.17	0.53				
2019 ²	5.09	0.32	1.36				

¹ Pedreira codend 35 mm. mesh size.

² Campelen codend 44 mm. mesh size. (inner codend 20mm)

Table 2. Northern shrimp biomass (kg.) by strata from Spanish bottom trawl survey 1995-2019 in NAFO Div. 3NO.

Stratum	Area Mn ²	Depth range	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
375	271	0-30	0	0		0	0	0	3453	0	25	0	0	1989	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
376	133	0-30	0	0		0	0	0	1270	0	0	0	341	4203	0	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
353	4269	31-50	0	0		0	0	0	79	0	48	0	0	0	126	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
360	278	31-50	0	0		0	0	0	2642	1457	3470	24	0	0	445	0	110	1317	129	0	50	0	0	70	95	158	27
374	214	31-50	0	0		0	0	0	178	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	0	0
354	246	51-100	0	0		0	0	0	8761	0	292	6917	0	0	14	0	0	55	86	0	292	0	0	0	14	0	0
359	421	51-100	0	0		0	1389	0	6348	847	1309	43	41	22	98	42	0	543	47	0	30	28	0	0	0	7	0
377	100	51-100	0	0		0	208	44	0	2020	751	1471	3742	3704	83	60	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	0	0
382	343	51-100	0	0		0	213	206		112695	302	297	825	944	191	4131	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	16
355	74	101-150	0	0		0	0	0	1517	147	7635	6146	6183	9179	262	204	0	961	0	148	89	11	37	0	0	0	0
358	225	101-150	0	0		0	3012	0	717	3261	3900	10289	32548	258	2357	2902	0	1722	196	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
378	139	101-150	0	0		8968	1099	1196	1700	680353	11429	772	3985	10066	1357	481	73	192	0	0	0	0	0	105	0	0	0
381	144	101-150	0	0		63	1120	122		84984	20648	225280	1486	75176	30330	11429	466	2540	87	111	41	78	347	188	137	70	107
356	47	151-200	0	0		0	0	0	137	0	1337	12937	8046	2683	213	635	39	409	33	0	0	0	41	0	0	6	6
357	164	151-200	0	1809		0	0	0	606	16414	42514	163606	38796	11417	9307	1249	959	1487	29	0	0	144	0	21	0	0	0
379	106	151-200	0	7	720	0	135	0	1251	70342	25408	7709	32986	11697	12146	2238	5079	1570	19	28	897	175	47	51	22	14	0
380	96	151-200	0	0		1024	9346	1024	1	100096	69850	258603	12086	60739	6488	11379	12576	2651	7269	348	2618	108	663	37	128	178	381
721	65	201-300	0	0		0	0	0	2889	3282	1112	852	256	3054	0	257	318	6	6339	11	315	569	596	0	0	20	10
723	155	201-300	0	0		0	1687	0	0	12667	92831	44044	3333	53799	14615	90	0	916	335	0	98	132	0	0	0	78	0
725	105	201-300	1431	0		0	0	0	271	527	91803	181454	74836	20679	47133	578	239	7745	0	0	216	231	69	106	30	266	0
727	96	301-400	5	0		1321	0	1142		28660	2119	98477	32684	62635	1248	3172	179	632	2265	83	9350	512	158	38	25	0	109
722	84	301-400	0	0		0	37	734	2890	60	156	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
724	124	301-400	0	0		0	0	0	0	55	628	58	165	53	213	0	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
726	72	301-400	0	0		0	0	0	0	7	54	2048	0	406	170	0	5351	146	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0
728	78	301-400	0	0		0	0	1671	7280	0	0	86	135	0	0	41	146	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
752	131	401-500	0	0		0	0	0	86	0	49	222	58	309	0	143	136	0	0	79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
756	101	401-500	0	0		0	0	0	0	46	42	869	84	27	84	391	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
760	154	401-500	0	0		0	0	0	0	283	49	0	0	590	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
764	100	401-500	0	0		0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
753	138	501-600	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	166	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	0	0
757	102	501-600	0	0		0	0	0	204	0	0	0	27	0	67	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
761	171	501-600	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
765	124	501-600	0	0		0	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
754	180	601-700	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	207	0	96	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
758	99	601-700	0	0		0	0	94	16302	0	19	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
762	212	601-700	0	0		0	0	0	0	85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
766	144	601-700	0	0		0	0	0	19	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
755	385	701-800	0	0		0	0	89	0	174	0	68	0	0	1839	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
759	127	701-800	0	0		0	0	0	17	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	965	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
763	261	701-800	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
767	158	701-800	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Biomass (t.)			14	18	1	23	81	26	178	2043	1618	2654	1627	1274	401	144	139	114	37	3.86	38	2.97	1.96	2.36	3.02	2.41	5.09
Std. Error (t.)			13	17	1	17	36	9	72	814	716	1693	590	352	285	98	111	35	24	3.04	15	0.63	0.60	1.93	1.39	0.17	1.32
Biomass % < 200th			0	100	100	43	79	46	97	97	88	26	34	74	84	96	95	91	21	98	73	51	58	93	97	84	78



Table 3. Northern shrimp biomass (kg.) by strata from Spanish bottom trawl survey 2003-2019 in NAFO Div. 3L.

Stratum	Area Mn ²	Depth range fth.	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
385	118	51-100	420	175		2485867	2416545	8265541	140724	12046	975	4998	31	68	0	0	315	37	0
390	815	51-100	1014	3780		2577958	5404325	317330	37466118	145874	2020	49686	414	2340	492	94	238	12	145
389	509	101-150	14397492	41654297		53639329	49120205	74404070	25997291	21705956	979731	630153	149429	318135	148994	176622	879985	213006	131246
391	282	101-150	1116135	1299793		3712072	12397477	24948041	28071	120096	11940	99221	3115	16223	9267	8073	1677	16544	13523
387	256	151-200	17618619	21721973		29967360	11782827	14287154	6473372	7874303	15006844	6644446	5206921	3955026	4608862	10305953	5244142	4391914	1731129
388	357	151-200	25169595	24779540		32585066	26954928	21602795	2348269	5096163	8113071	2136050	1979045	3858773	1811165	8512571	5268078	2095031	2194903
392	145	151-200	2821419	1866379		193967	1199955	3675300	1564098	1608469	24550	118649	329956	155247	553694	174468	695049	273519	1052760
729	186	201-300	20371	1465049		88481	172095	16126	11533	95976	149	2618	11348	2331	18320	5156	30569	491	37211
731	216	201-300	2449416	1467221		177357	666240	1501056	54100	1083034	2647	799077	2191919	1644180	875000	288113	101120	525416	1319325
733	234	201-300		4077		390052	3281339	240647	6718	51397	194095	285343	7544711	833091	400587	653016	671788	290774	582639
730	170	301-400	0	876		1485	76	32	20	581	92	0	36	907	0	0	294	10	15
732	231	301-400	34907	5643		14535	4723	1905	226	4266	1349	596	3229	34455	1088	453	62	100	31
734	153	301-400		408		10554	136	2144	70	129	4910	1553	15628	16075	2625	421	0	41	0
741	100	401-500	0	56		1379	22	486	0	0	662	189	402	1893	3429	82	0	0	0
745	348	401-500	17642	0		1699	186	1950	0	2716	1911	250	1613	5068	591	55	0	12	0
748	159	401-500	292	696		366	499	66	0	49	108	0	21	83	0	0	0	21	0
742	64	501-600	0	0		462	0	0	0	1718	57	11202	9	0	473	31	0	0	0
746	392	501-600	0	0		134	0	74	70	225	381	0	395	1068	0	45	0	0	0
749	126	501-600	0	23		99	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	140	28	0	0	0	0
743	51	601-700		0		1020	0	23	0	0	2	20	0	18	0	0	0	0	0
747	724	601-700		0		147	0	41	201	51	32	0	116	753	21	51	0	6	19
750	556	601-700		0		58	0	132	295	0	308	0	37	178	95	0	0	0	41
744	66	701-800		0		185	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	18	0	0	0	0
751	229	701-800				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	21	0	0	0	0	0
Biomasa (t.)			63647	94270		125850	113402	149265	74091	37803	24346	10784	17478	10846	8435	20125	12893	7807	7063
Std. Error (t)			20105	40332		12690	13445	48490	37999	9836	4449	3724	5363	2764	1930	7903	2804	1726	1706
Biomass % < 200 fth			96	97		99	96	99	100	97	99	90	44	77	85	95	94	90	73

Table 4. Northern shrimp size distribution ('000) by sex from Spanish bottom trawl survey 2019 in NAFO Div. 3NO.

CL (mm)	Males	Females	Total
8	0	0	0
8.5	0	0	0
9	5	0	5
9.5	0	0	0
10	0	0	0
10.5	5	0	5
11	0	0	0
11.5	31	0	31
12	5	0	5
12.5	16	0	16
13	27	0	27
13.5	78	0	78
14	114	0	114
14.5	191	0	191
15	160	0	160
15.5	195	3	198
16	195	5	200
16.5	107	12	120
17	78	21	99
17.5	21	0	21
18	10	5	16
18.5	0	3	3
19	0	10	10
19.5	0	10	10
20	0	10	10
20.5	0	10	10
21	0	5	5
21.5	0	10	10
22	0	0	0
22.5	0	5	5
23	0	16	16
23.5	0	10	10
24	0	16	16
24.5	0	26	26
25	0	15	15
25.5	0	31	31
26	0	5	5
26.5	0	10	10
27	0	10	10
27.5	0	0	0
28	0	10	10
29	0	0	0
29.5	0	0	0
30	0	0	0
30.5	0	0	0
Total	1238	262	1500
	83%	17%	

Table 5. Northern shrimp size distribution ('000) by sex from Spanish bottom trawl survey 2019 in NAFO Div. 3L.

CL (mm)	Males	Females	Total
8			
8.5	394		394
9	733		733
9.5	179		179
10	177		177
10.5	169		169
11	20		20
11.5	261		261
12	303		303
12.5	679		679
13	1304	59	1363
13.5	1630		1660
14	3337	222	3559
14.5	3394	688	4083
15	7169	522	7691
15.5	5851	1752	7603
16	11014	2419	13433
16.5	19614	9734	29348
17	23881	17006	40886
17.5	24927	18668	43595
18	30514	25587	56100
18.5	21159	29271	50430
19	17720	30136	47856
19.5	15317	25346	40663
20	9933	25868	35801
20.5	12527	25343	37871
21	7180	41998	49178
21.5	5645	38938	44582
22	5058	43213	48271
22.5	3962	44686	48648
23	477	54230	54707
23.5	0	51443	51443
24		45806	45806
24.5		53253	53253
25		51256	51256
25.5		47621	47621
26		26448	26448
26.5		19114	19114
27		16115	16115
27.5		8191	8191
28		3020	3020
28.5		6912	6912
29		2536	2536
29.5		303	303
31.5		347	347
32.5		517	517
34.5		258	258
Total	234529	768828	1003388
	23%	77%	

Table 6. Results of the modal analysis (MIX) by sex and maturity stage Spanish bottom trawl survey 3L 2019.

3L				
	Males		Females	
Age	Prop.	St. Dev.	Prop.	St. Dev.
1	0.0108	0.0000		
2	0.1659	0.0002	0.0355	FCV
3	0.6669	0.0003	0.1898	FCV
4	0.1564	0.0001	0.2881	FCV
5			0.4040	FCV
6			0.0826	FCV
7			0.0000	FCV
Age	Mean CL	St. Dev.	Mean CL	St. Dev.
1	9.0	0.0005		
2	16.1	0.0027	16.7	FCV
3	18.2	0.0003	18.9	FCV
4	21.2	0.0007	21.9	FCV
5			24.7	FCV
6			26.9	FCV
7			27.8	FCV
Age	Sigma	St. Dev.	Sigma	St. Dev.
1	0.7916	0.0005		
2	1.7990	0.0012	0.7516	FCV
3	1.2200	0.0004	0.8513	FCV
4	0.9680	0.0003	0.9851	FCV
5			1.1096	FCV
6			1.2124	FCV
7			1.2495	FCV

Table 7. Northern shrimp length-weight relationship by sex, maturity stage and all combined from Spanish bottom trawl survey 2019 in NAFO Div. 3NO and 3L.

	a	b	R²	N
Division 3NO				
Males	0.0030	2.4520	0.8215	229
Inmature females	0.0021	2.5951	0.9054	21
Mature females	0.0026	2.5498	0.8999	31
Ovigerous females	-			-
All combined	0.0016	2.6861	0.9537	281
Division 3L				
Males	0.0011	2.7992	0.9125	1015
Inmature females	0.0012	2.7809	0.9435	967
Mature females	0.0013	2.7860	0.9139	537
Ovigerous females	0.0060	2.3082	0.6775	291
All combined	0.0009	2.9014	0.9748	2810

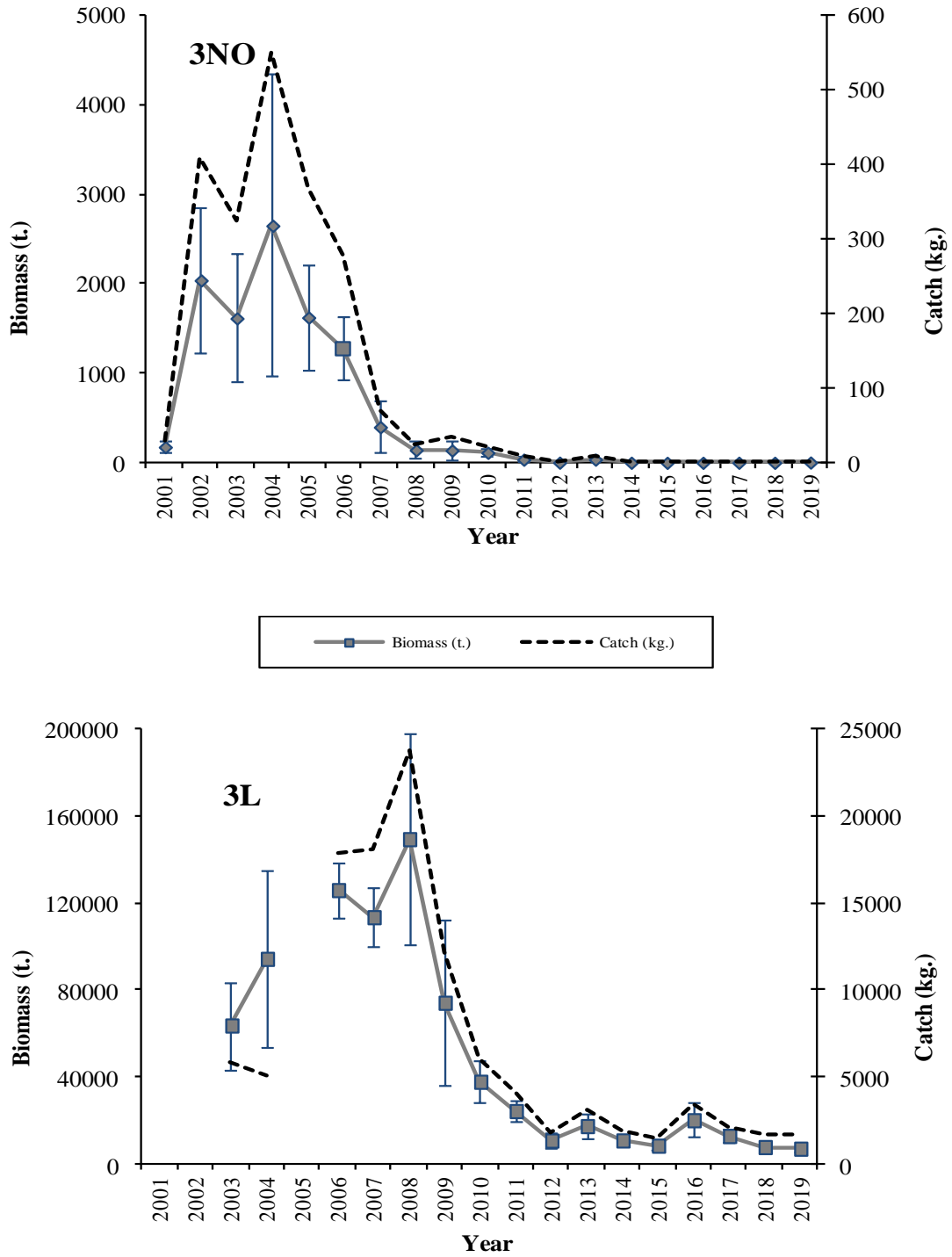


Figure 1. Northern shrimp biomass (tons) and catch (kg) from Spanish research surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO 2001-2019 and 3L 2003-2019.

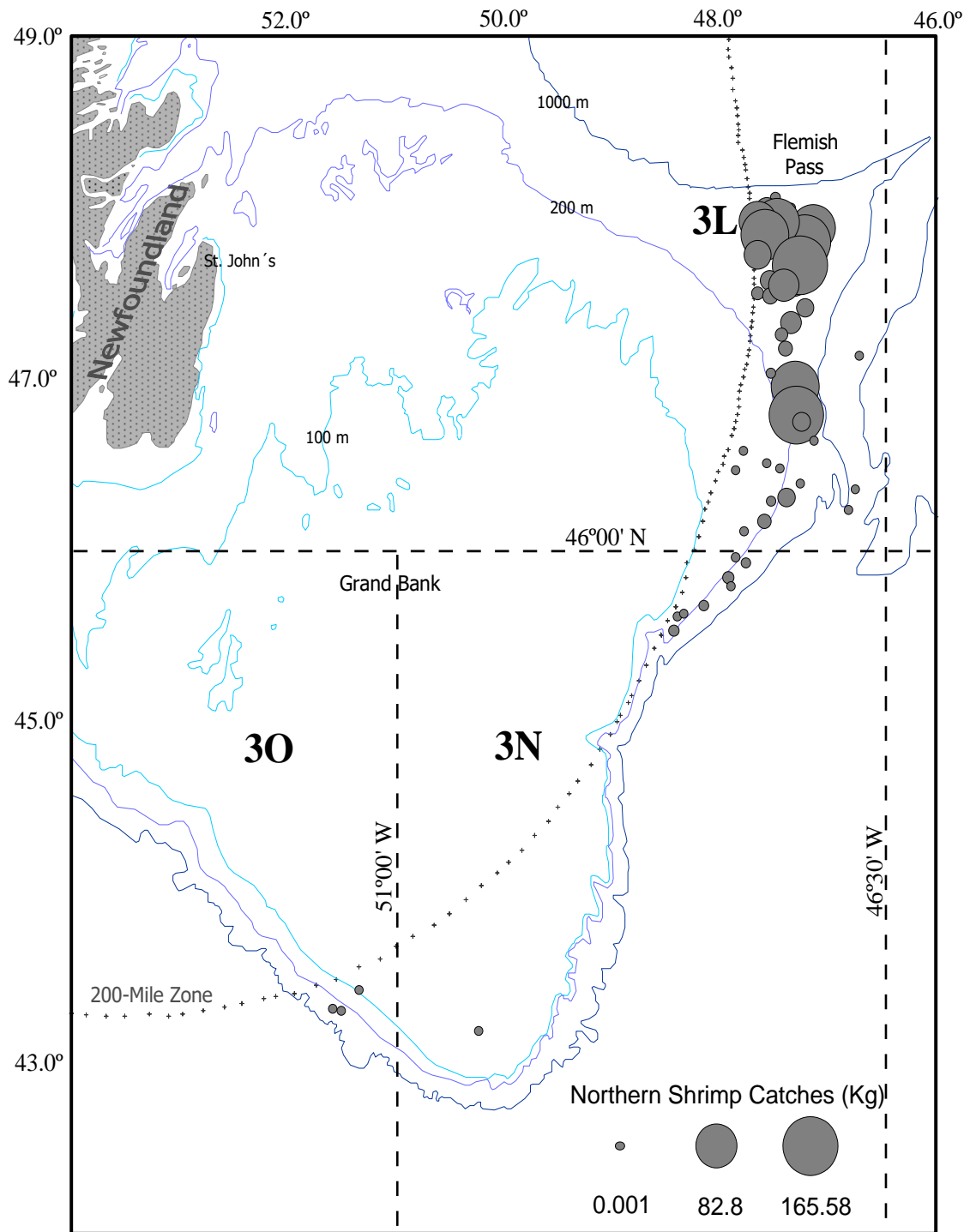


Figure 2. Geographic distribution of Northern shrimp catches from Spanish bottom trawls surveys 2019.

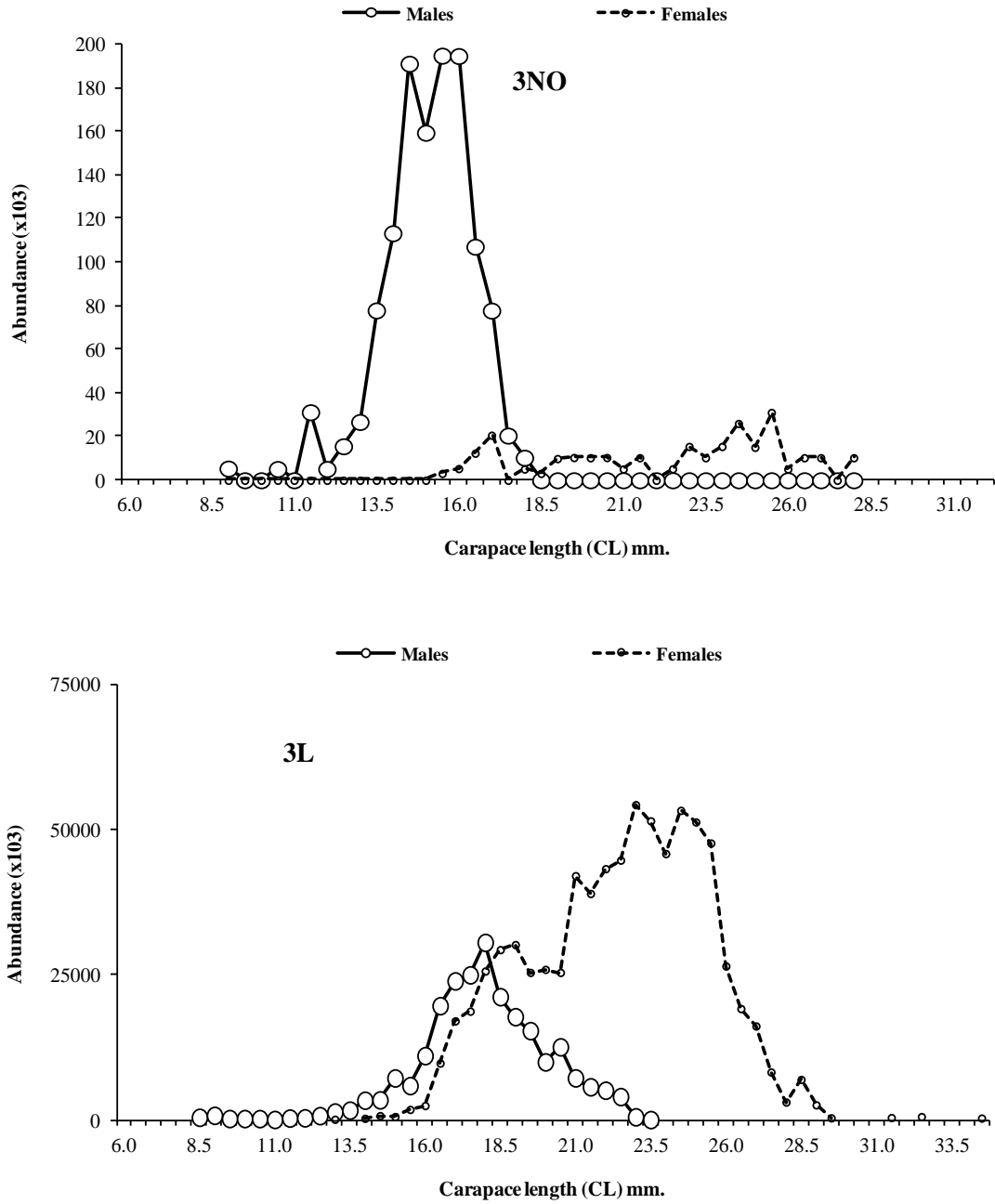


Figure 3. Northern shrimp size distribution, by sex from Spanish bottom trawl survey (2019) in Divs. 3NO and 3L.