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Yellowtail flounder, redfish (*Sebastes spp.*) and witch flounder indices from the Spanish Survey conducted in Divisions 3NO of the NAFO Regulatory Area

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### **Abstract**

Since 1995, Spain carries out a spring stratified random bottom trawl survey in Div. 3NO of the NAFO Regulatory Area. Total mean catches, biomass and mean numbers for yellowtail flounder (*Limanda ferruginea*) are presented for the period 1995-2019, for redfish (*Sebastes spp.*) for the period 1997-2019 and for witch flounder (*Glyptocephalus cynoglossus*) for the period 2002-2019. Detailed indices are presented from 2015.

Yellowtail flounder indices do not show a clear trend between 1999 and 2016. The 2017-2019 values were lower than the 1998 one. There has not been good recruitment in recent years. Redfish indices oscillate greatly over time, probably because the gear does not sample adequately aggregating pelagic species. There was a sharp increase in 2009 and since then until 2015, biomass fluctuated maintaining higher values than before 2009. In 2016 biomass dropped and increase again in 2017-2019 to or below the 2012 level. The 3N division comprises around the 90% of the total biomass in the last years. Good year classes have not been registered recently. Abundance by Division shows since 2002 shows the same trend of the biomass; most of the abundance corresponds to Division 3N. Witch flounder is very scarce and its indices fluctuated throughout the series reaching a low level in 2014 and 2018, with an increasing trend in the middle time. The 2019 value is the lowest of the series, being less than 50% of 2014 value. Recruitment was quite good at the beginning of the series but poor in recent years.

### **Material and methods**

The Spanish Spring (May/June) survey in Div. 3NO of NAFO Regulatory Area was initiated by Spain in 1995. Until 2001, the survey was carried out on board the Spanish vessel C/V *Playa de Menduiña* (338 GT and 800 HP) using a *Pedreira* type bottom trawl. The R/V *Vizconde de Eza* replaced the C/V *Playa de Menduiña* in 2001, and the *Campelen 1800* was implemented as survey gear. For more details about the technical specifications of the surveys, see Walsh *et al.* (2001) and González Troncoso *et al.* (2004).

In each haul, all the individuals caught were sorted by species and weighted. Random samples of the catch of each species were length measured (total length) to the nearest lower cm. The obtained length distribution was aggregated into 2 cm intervals (beginning with the pair number) and raised to the catch of each species.



Table 1 presents the number of valid tows, the depth strata covered and the dates of the total survey series. Table 2 shows the swept area and number of hauls by stratum for the last five years (2015-2019). To know the results of the rest of the years, see González-Troncoso *et al.* (2015).

The redfish series for total biomass and total mean catches and mean number per tow start in 1997 because sampling depth in 1995 and 1996 was shallower than 1000 meters so the data are not representative for this species. As all strata where the yellowtail flounder is caught were well surveyed, the series for this species are presented since 1995. As calibration for witch flounder data has not been done yet, only data from 2002 are presented. Data for yellowtail flounder and redfish were calibrated for the period 1995-2000 and no-transformed from 2002 onwards, to create a combined 1995-2019 time-series. Regarding 2001, there are both calibrated (from the former vessel) and non-transformed data (from the new vessel). More information on the calibration method can be found in González-Troncoso *et al.* (2004).

Mean catch and variance per haul, biomass and length distribution by strata are presented for each species for the last five years (2015-2019). To see the results of the rest of the years, see González-Troncoso *et al.* (2015). Total biomass and mean catch per tow with SD and mean number per tow by year are presented for the total period series.

Figure 1 presents the maps with the distribution of the catches of the three species during the 2019 Spanish 3NO survey.

## Results

### Yellowtail flounder

After a moratorium between 1994 and 1997, the yellowtail flounder fishery has been under TAC. According to the Report of NAFO Scientific Council Meeting, stock size reached a minimum in the mid 1990's, but since 1994 has steadily increased and is now well above  $B_{msy}$ . There is very low risk of the stock being below  $B_{msy}$  or  $F$  being above  $F_{msy}$  (NAFO, 2019).

### Mean Catches and Biomass

Table 3 shows mean catch and SD per haul and stratum and Table 4 the biomass estimates by the swept area method and their SD by stratum for years 2015-2019 for yellowtail flounder. Total biomass (t) and stratified mean catch per tow (kg) and SD by year for the entire series are presented in Table 5 for 1995-2019. Table 6 presents the parameters  $a$  and  $b$  for the calculation of the length-weight relationship for years 2015-2019.

Yellowtail flounder biomass index showed no clear trend between 1999 and 2016. It increased substantially from 1997 to 1999, has maintained almost constant values until 2013 and then decreased in 2014-2019. The 2017-2019 values were lower than the 1998 one (Table 5; Figures 2 and 3).

### Length Distribution

The mean number per haul by year is presented in Table 7 and Figure 2 for 1995-2019 and Table 8 presents the same index by length, sex and year besides the sampled size and catch for the period 2015-2019. Figures 4 and 5 present these indices for the entire period. The mean numbers are in concordance with the mean catches (Figure 2). There has not been good recruitment in recent years. In Figure 4, we can follow a length modal value since the beginning of the series, but the presence of juveniles is very low. This mode can be seen until 2009 when it reached 34-35 cm, and since 2010 the mode of the length distribution was about 30-34 cm. In 2013-2019 the mode was at 34-35 cm for females, and at 30-33 cm for males.

## **Redfish**

There are two species of redfish that have been commercially fished in Div. 3NO; the deep-sea redfish (*Sebastes mentella*) and the Acadian redfish (*Sebastes fasciatus*). Due to the difficulty to distinguish the two species, the catches are usually reported by genus as "redfish" (*Sebastes* spp.) in the commercial fishery statistics.

This stock in Div. 3O has been under TAC regulation since 1974. In September 2004, the Fisheries Commission adopted an annual TAC of 20 000 t in the entire area of Div. 3O. The stock appears to have increased since the early 2000s. Catches were stable from 2009 to 2014. Survey index values have declined from those observed in 2012 when values were near time-series highs.

In 3N (the stock is 3LN) a moratorium was implemented from 1998 to 2009. The fishery was reopened in 2010 with the resultant increase of catches but the perception of the stock given by the available surveys has not been altered. Fishing mortality declined from 1991 to 1996, being from 1996 to 2016 at a level close to zero, with a marginal increase in 2018 (NAFO, 2019).

### **Mean Catches and Biomass**

Redfish mean catches and SD are presented in Table 9 and biomass in Table 10 by stratum for 2015-2019. Annual biomass and stratified mean catch and SD per haul for years 1997-2019 are presented in Table 11 by Division. The length-weight relationship parameters *a* and *b* are presented in Table 12 for years 2015-2019.

Redfish indices oscillate greatly over time, probably because the gear does not sample adequately aggregating pelagic species. They showed a quick increase from 1997 to 2000, followed by a sudden drop until 2002, after which they have increased to the levels of the early years of the time series. The index increased nearly fivefold in 2009 in comparison with 2005. This was not just due to very large catches in few hauls, as redfish catch was over 1 ton in 11 of the 43 hauls in which redfish was caught. Furthermore, redfish catch was over 15 tons in three hauls. In 2015, an increase allowed biomass to reach the second highest value of the series. In this case, redfish catch was over 10 tons in 3 hauls. Then biomass dropped fourfold in 2016 and increase again in 2017-2019 to or below the 2012 level (Table 10; Figures 6 and 7).

Biomass and mean catch per haul and Division, the number of strata covered in each case, and the percentage of biomass in 3N respect to the total are presented in Table 11. Biomass is always larger in 3N than in 3O (Figure 8), although the percentage is very spread over the time. However, the mean catch per tow was higher in Division 3O until 2004. Since 2005, more than 83% of redfish biomass has occurred in Division 3N. In 2010, mean catch per tow in 3O was almost three times higher than in 2009, whereas in 3N was lower than in 2009. In 2013 and 2015, the increase in the total biomass was due to the increase in Division 3N. Last four years indices fluctuated. In 2018 and 2019, the 3O biomass is the third and the fourth lowest of the series, respectively.

### **Length Distribution**

Mean number per haul by year is presented in Table 13 and Figure 6 for 1997-2019. Table 14 presents this index per length with sample size and catch for the period 2015-2019. Figures 9 and 10 show the trend of the mean abundance per tow by length class. The y-axis upper limit of Figure 10 has been changed for years 1997-2008 to see the length distribution despite the large catches registered in the period 2009-2019. The last good year class was recorded in 2004 and this cohort can be tracked until 2019. In recent years there was only a discrete presence of juveniles. The clear 18 cm mode in 2009 (20 cm in 2011) seems to be a consequence of the 2004 recruitment. In 2012 and 2013 the mode is in 20-21 cm, in 22-23 cm for 2014-2018 and 24-26 cm in 2019.

Length distribution in thousands (abundance) by Division and year since 2002 is presented in Table 15, together with total abundance by Division and year, in order to see the structure of the population in each Division. Following the trend of the biomass, most of the abundance corresponds to Division 3N (Figure 11).

## **Witch flounder**

This stock occurs mainly in Div. 30, along the South-western slopes of the Grand Bank, but it seems to migrate seasonally onto the shallow banks. It has been fished mainly in winter and springtime, targeting the spawning concentrations. The stock size increased since 1994 to 2013 and then declined from 2013-2015 and has since increased slightly. In 2019 the stock is at 41%  $B_{msy}$  (60000t) There is 0.20 risk of the stock being below  $B_{lim}$  and a 0.02 risk of  $F$  being above  $F_{lim}$  (0.063). With the exception of the growth of the stock following improved recruitment in the late 1990s, it is unclear if the recruitment index is representative (NAFO, 2019).

### **Mean Catches and Biomass**

Witch flounder mean catches and SD by stratum are presented in Table 16 and biomass per stratum in Table 17 for 2015-2019. In Table 18 and Figures 12 and 13 the annual stratified mean catch per tow and biomass with SD are presented for the period 2002-2019. The length-weight relationship parameters  $a$  and  $b$  are presented in Table 19 for 2015-2019.

Witch flounder indices fluctuated throughout the period 2002-2019, reaching a low level in 2014 and 2018, with an increasing trend in the middle time. The 2019 value is the lowest of the series, being less than 50% of 2014 value. Highest values were found in 2004, 2010 and 2017 (Table 18; Figures 12 and 13).

### **Length Distribution**

Table 20 and Figures 14 and 15 present witch flounder mean number per tow and sex by year for 2002-2019, and Table 21 the same index by length with sample size and catch for the period 2015-2019. The best recruitment occurred in the period 2002-2005 and has been very poor since 2008. Some modes can be tracked in Figure 14, probably due to the recruitments at the beginning of the series. In 2012 and 2013 there was a quite good presence of individuals of lengths 34-42 cm, poorly found in 2014, but that can be followed in 2015-2017. In 2018 and 2019, the presence of all the length ranges is small.

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**Table 1.** Spanish spring bottom trawl surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 1995-2019.

Year	Vessel	Valid tows	Depth strata covered (m)	Dates
1995	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	77	42-684	May 18-May 29
1996	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	112	41-1135	May 07-May 24
1997	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	128	42-1263	April 26-May 18
1998	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	124	42-1390	May 06-May 26
1999	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	114	41-1381	May 07-May 26
2000	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	118	42-1401	May 07-May 28
2001 <sup>(*)</sup>	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	83	36-1156	May 03-May 24
	C/V <i>Playa de Menduíña</i>	121	40-1500	May 05-May 23
2002	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	125	38-1540	April 29-May 19
2003	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	118	38-1666	May 11-June 02
2004	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	120	43-1539	June 06-June 24
2005	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	119	47-1485	June 10-June 29
2005	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	119	47-1485	June 10-June 29
2006	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	120	45-1480	June 7-June 27
2007	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	110	45-1374	May 29-June 19
2008	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	122	45-1374	May 27-June 16
2009	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	109	45-1374	May 31-June 18
2010	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	95	45-1374	May 30-June 18
2011	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	122	44-1450	June 5-June 24
2012	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	122	44-1450	June 3-June 21
2013	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	122	44-1450	June 1-June 21
2014	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	122	44-1450	June 2-June 21
2015	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	122	44-1450	May 31-June 19
2016	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	115	44-1450	May 30-June 18
2017	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	113	44-1450	May 23-June 11
2018	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	114	44-1450	June 2-June 21
2019	R/V <i>Vizconde de Eza</i>	115	44-1450	June 8-June 24

(\*)For the calculation of the series, 83 hauls were taken from the R/V *Vizconde de Eza* and 40 hauls from the C/V *Playa de Menduíña* (123 hauls in total)

**Table 2.** Swept area and number of hauls by stratum. Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. Swept area in square miles. n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Stratum	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019	
	Swept area	Tow number								
353	0.0401	3	0.0356	3	0.0360	3	0.0338	3	0.0386	3
354	0.0390	3	0.0345	3	0.0356	3	0.0341	3	0.0383	3
355	0.0263	2	0.0233	2	0.0225	2	0.0233	2	0.0263	2
356	0.0255	2	0.0225	2	0.0233	2	0.0225	2	0.0248	2
357	0.0233	2	0.0233	2	0.0233	2	0.0236	2	0.0251	2
358	0.0349	3	0.0338	3	0.0364	3	0.0345	3	0.0383	3
359	0.0855	7	0.0593	5	0.0596	5	0.0589	5	0.0634	5
360	0.2363	20	0.1995	17	0.2044	17	0.1939	17	0.2213	17
374	0.0229	2	0.0233	2	0.0236	2	0.0225	2	0.0255	2
375	0.0341	3	0.0360	3	0.0364	3	0.0356	3	0.0383	3
376	0.1159	10	0.0945	8	0.0975	8	0.0908	8	0.1043	8
377	0.0233	2	0.0233	2	0.0251	2	0.0233	2	0.0263	2
378	0.0225	2	0.0225	2	0.0236	2	0.0229	2	0.0259	2
379	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0244	2	0.0225	2	0.0263	2
380	0.0229	2	0.0236	2	0.0236	2	0.0225	2	0.0263	2
381	0.0236	2	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0255	2
382	0.0458	4	0.0465	4	0.0360	3	0.0450	4	0.0645	5
721	0.0240	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0263	2
722	0.0259	2	0.0229	2	0.0233	2	0.0236	2	0.0255	2
723	0.0233	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0240	2	0.0248	2
724	0.0236	2	0.0233	2	0.0240	2	0.0233	2	0.0244	2
725	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0244	2	0.0233	2	0.0255	2
726	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0233	2	0.0225	2	0.0259	2
727	0.0225	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0248	2
728	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0248	2
752	0.0225	2	0.0236	2	0.0236	2	0.0233	2	0.0266	2
753	0.0233	2	0.0229	2	0.0233	2	0.0236	2	0.0248	2
754	0.0225	2	0.0225	2	0.0218	2	0.0225	2	0.0240	2
755	0.0450	4	0.0458	4	0.0338	3	0.0338	3	0.0356	3
756	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0251	2
757	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0225	2	0.0225	2	0.0263	2
758	0.0221	2	0.0221	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0259	2
759	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0225	2	0.0251	2
760	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0236	2	0.0356	3	0.0255	2
761	0.0240	2	0.0225	2	0.0236	2	0.0124	1	0.0236	2
762	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0255	2
763	0.0341	3	0.0338	3	0.0353	3	0.0345	3	0.0383	3
764	0.0251	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0248	2
765	0.0236	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0233	2	0.0251	2
766	0.0236	2	0.0229	2	0.0225	2	0.0229	2	0.0248	2
767	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0229	2	0.0236	2	0.0244	2

**Table 3.** Yellowtail flounder mean catch (kg) and SD by stratum. Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Stratum	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019	
	Y. flounder Mean catch	SD								
353	34.18	48.09	7.82	13.54	27.50	23.33	3.40	5.56	0.00	0.00
354	2.28	3.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
355	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
356	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
357	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
358	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
359	2.27	2.92	0.24	0.36	0.05	0.11	0.44	0.46	0.00	0.00
360	286.35	205.84	277.57	501.85	260.47	349.29	179.78	128.90	97.45	142.67
374	220.08	96.88	227.62	23.37	3.49	4.50	168.18	114.08	81.72	7.95
375	195.40	124.81	84.61	24.64	45.17	54.99	44.41	23.76	37.26	6.16
376	553.63	422.74	722.38	520.54	309.79	234.89	506.07	308.21	191.10	117.71
377	7.53	10.64	0.76	1.07	0.36	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.52	0.74
378	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
379	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
380	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
381	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
382	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.48	0.25	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
721	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
722	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
723	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
724	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
725	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
726	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
727	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
728	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
752	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
753	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
754	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
755	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
756	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
757	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
758	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
759	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
760	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
761	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00
762	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
763	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
764	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
765	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
766	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
767	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Table 4.** Yellowtail flounder survey biomass (t) by stratum in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Strata	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Strata	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>353</b>	688	177	616	81	0	<b>725</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>354</b>	43	0	0	0	0	<b>726</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>355</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>727</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>356</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>728</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>357</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>752</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>358</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>753</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>359</b>	78	9	2	16	0	<b>754</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>360</b>	67463	65826	60296	43872	20839	<b>755</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>374</b>	4118	4190	63	3199	1372	<b>756</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>375</b>	4655	1911	1010	1014	792	<b>757</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>376</b>	63736	81580	33908	59513	19562	<b>758</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>377</b>	65	6	3	0	4	<b>759</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>378</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>760</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>379</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>761</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>380</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>762</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>381</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>763</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>382</b>	0	10	7	0	0	<b>764</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>721</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>765</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>722</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>766</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>723</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>767</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>724</b>	0	0	0	0	0						

**Table 5.** Yellowtail flounder survey biomass (t) with SD and stratified mean catch per tow (kg) and SD by year in NAFO Div. 3NO: 1995-2019.

Year	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Biomass</b>	9264	43349	38697	122601	197012	144685	182704	148487	136775	169978	156472	160145	160731
<b>SD</b>	2484	6032	8527	31359	22938	19097	25847	23368	19287	18869	15271	16458	18852
<b>MCPT</b>	16.22	59.54	47.74	137.32	232.41	167.76	210.84	164.28	148.92	190.05	176.42	189.32	202.64
<b>SD</b>	4.37	8.41	10.69	34.70	27.41	22.21	30.58	24.92	20.84	21.27	17.06	19.83	23.61

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Biomass</b>	160146	183412	189687	203833	195606	187969	136484	140845	153708	95905	107695	42569
<b>SD</b>	17297	25736	22611	30743	23679	22493	29519	18915	34788	22868	15055	8578
<b>MCPT</b>	178.27	209.43	224.54	231.22	221.33	214.17	173.79	159.25	175.03	112.03	118.41	53.55
<b>SD</b>	19.00	29.75	26.30	35.18	26.27	25.35	38.52	21.37	40.46	25.20	16.47	10.75

**Table 6.** Yellowtail flounder length weight relationships in Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. E(x) means Error of the parameter x.

Year	Males						Females						Total					
	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N
2015	<b>0.00491</b>	<b>3.16089</b>	0.2087	0.0646	0.988	506	<b>0.0069</b>	<b>3.0678</b>	0.0797	0.0233	0.998	611	<b>0.0066</b>	<b>3.0784</b>	0.0242	0.0383	0.997	1144
2016	<b>0.01051</b>	<b>2.94093</b>	0.0867	0.0270	0.998	311	<b>0.0086</b>	<b>3.0047</b>	0.0584	0.0175	0.999	441	<b>0.0110</b>	<b>2.9338</b>	0.0740	0.0225	0.998	756
2017	<b>0.00720</b>	<b>3.03484</b>	0.1616	0.0513	0.993	284	<b>0.0056</b>	<b>3.1206</b>	0.0840	0.0249	0.998	402	<b>0.0063</b>	<b>3.0871</b>	0.0838	0.0256	0.997	689
2018	<b>0.00406</b>	<b>3.21763</b>	0.1175	0.0359	0.999	358	<b>0.0044</b>	<b>3.2050</b>	0.0893	0.0262	0.999	436	<b>0.0038</b>	<b>3.2409</b>	0.0658	0.0194	0.999	794
2019	<b>0.00721</b>	<b>3.05949</b>	0.1319	0.0401	0.995	390	<b>0.0049</b>	<b>3.1766</b>	0.0964	0.0280	0.998	547	<b>0.0059</b>	<b>3.1268</b>	0.0646	0.0192	0.999	937

**Table 7.** Yellowtail flounder mean number per tow by year in Spanish Spring surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 1995-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

1995				1996				1997				1998				1999				2000										
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total							
MNPT	31.12	47.36	6.14	84.62	73.11	188.83	13.23	275.17	134.85	147.98	0.00	282.83	279.83	343.35	1.61	624.79	508.72	539.70	4.48	1052.90	332.06	376.36	0.00	708.42	328.27	428.33	6.98	763.57		
2002				2003				2004				2005				2006				2007				2008						
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	256.56	333.09	0.81	590.46	215.96	271.49	0.72	488.17	322.91	336.03	1.19	660.14	275.52	308.25	0.30	584.07	281.15	354.69	0.60	636.44	317.34	365.53	0.10	682.97	295.11	335.10	0.15	630.35		
2009				2010				2011				2012				2013				2014				2015						
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	298.01	398.88	0.48	697.37	368.83	414.09	0.00	782.92	305.92	426.42	0.00	732.34	315.50	438.48	0.75	754.73	294.58	394.06	0.79	689.43	226.69	293.78	0.03	520.50	219.81	248.70	0.11	468.62		
2016				2017				2018				2019																		
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	227.23	274.70	0.02	501.95	154.84	179.89	0.02	334.75	139.66	193.84	0.00	333.49	65.25	77.16	0.00	142.41														



**Table 8.** Yellowtail flounder mean number per tow by length class and year. Spanish Spring Survey on NAFO 3NO: 2015-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

Length (cm.)	2015				2016				2017				2018				2019				
	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total													
4	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
6	0.000	0.000	0.090	0.090	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
8	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.066	0.012	0.078	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
10	0.065	0.000	0.023	0.088	0.000	0.048	0.024	0.071	0.009	0.000	0.012	0.021	0.000	0.274	0.000	0.274	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
12	0.393	0.168	0.000	0.561	0.290	0.111	0.000	0.401	0.256	0.282	0.000	0.538	0.274	0.468	0.000	0.742	0.016	0.009	0.000	0.024	
14	0.429	0.083	0.000	0.512	0.242	0.174	0.000	0.417	0.674	0.638	0.000	1.312	0.824	0.112	0.000	0.936	0.101	0.117	0.000	0.218	
16	0.171	0.746	0.000	0.918	0.087	0.024	0.000	0.110	1.004	1.284	0.000	2.288	0.042	0.387	0.000	0.429	0.047	0.086	0.000	0.134	
18	0.566	0.407	0.000	0.973	0.322	0.329	0.000	0.651	1.132	1.845	0.000	2.977	1.512	1.004	0.000	2.517	0.501	0.258	0.000	0.759	
20	2.428	1.127	0.000	3.555	1.779	0.121	0.000	1.900	4.426	4.100	0.000	8.526	4.222	4.365	0.000	8.587	0.515	0.586	0.000	1.101	
22	2.189	1.347	0.000	3.536	1.926	1.404	0.000	3.330	2.020	2.289	0.000	4.309	4.981	4.255	0.000	9.236	0.796	1.208	0.000	2.004	
24	2.731	2.106	0.000	4.837	4.847	2.475	0.000	7.321	2.101	1.182	0.000	3.283	6.089	6.847	0.000	12.937	1.755	2.982	0.000	4.738	
26	7.828	4.621	0.000	12.449	6.958	4.266	0.000	11.224	4.675	2.929	0.000	7.604	3.499	3.694	0.000	7.193	4.205	4.045	0.000	8.251	
28	26.388	9.768	0.000	36.156	20.890	7.345	0.000	28.235	11.436	5.626	0.000	17.062	8.696	5.002	0.000	13.697	4.049	3.702	0.000	7.751	
30	65.705	25.661	0.000	91.366	58.091	25.110	0.000	83.201	35.663	7.758	0.000	43.421	25.823	8.614	0.000	34.437	8.801	3.305	0.000	12.106	
32	68.516	53.570	0.000	122.086	81.325	46.999	0.000	128.323	54.496	27.290	0.000	81.785	45.404	24.524	0.000	69.928	20.368	5.990	0.000	26.358	
34	32.700	54.184	0.000	86.884	37.685	66.522	0.000	104.207	29.456	42.583	0.000	72.039	27.260	45.645	0.000	72.905	18.071	13.492	0.000	31.563	
36	8.310	43.816	0.000	52.126	9.676	58.832	0.000	68.507	6.127	40.587	0.000	46.715	9.287	47.535	0.000	56.823	5.043	18.210	0.000	23.253	
38	1.097	27.918	0.000	29.014	2.072	39.605	0.000	41.677	1.238	23.231	0.000	24.469	1.484	24.834	0.000	26.318	0.801	13.923	0.000	14.724	
40	0.218	14.529	0.000	14.747	1.008	13.539	0.000	14.547	0.124	10.879	0.000	11.002	0.024	9.924	0.000	9.948	0.162	5.979	0.000	6.142	
42	0.027	6.371	0.000	6.399	0.037	5.483	0.000	5.520	0.000	5.154	0.000	5.154	0.217	3.461	0.000	3.679	0.000	2.497	0.000	2.497	
44	0.048	1.564	0.000	1.612	0.000	1.819	0.000	1.819	0.000	1.644	0.000	1.644	0.000	2.211	0.000	2.211	0.010	0.627	0.000	0.637	
46	0.000	0.532	0.000	0.532	0.000	0.454	0.000	0.454	0.000	0.432	0.000	0.432	0.000	0.579	0.000	0.579	0.000	0.100	0.000	0.100	
48	0.000	0.154	0.000	0.154	0.000	0.037	0.000	0.037	0.000	0.028	0.000	0.028	0.017	0.093	0.000	0.110	0.010	0.044	0.000	0.055	
50	0.000	0.027	0.000	0.027	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.066	0.000	0.066	0.000	0.008	0.000	0.008	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
52	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
54	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
56	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
58	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
Total	219.809	248.701	0.113	468.623	227.233	274.697	0.024	501.954	154.837	179.893	0.024	334.754	139.656	193.837	0.000	333.493	65.253	77.161	0.000	142.414	
Nº samples:					44				34				35				35				28
Nº Ind.:	3831	4834	4	8669	1595	2466	1	4062	1675	2234	2	3911	1918	3032	0	4950	1567	2315	0	3882	
Sampled catch:					3023				1489				1387				1844				1512
Range:					6-50				10-48				9-51				10-50				12-49
Total catch:					12				11234				7133				7587				3462
Total hauls:					122				115				113				114				115



**Table 9.** Redfish mean catch (kg) and SD by stratum. Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019.  
n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Stratum	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019	
	Redfish	Mean catch	Redfish	Mean catch	Redfish	Mean catch	Redfish	Mean catch	Redfish	Mean catch
	SD		SD		SD		SD		SD	
353	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.07	0.00	0.00
354	972.97	883.47	482.34	791.85	540.03	923.90	1.26	1.15	0.75	1.14
355	1954.04	1984.34	513.80	79.20	708.98	623.84	35.22	32.22	16.55	3.68
356	707.30	62.72	210.70	127.84	1146.51	193.97	301.03	103.63	429.98	90.90
357	3886.69	2152.38	835.95	247.78	2502.83	2277.84	5876.23	3065.60	5134.54	5570.52
358	16765.95	10954.46	3706.23	3517.46	6005.13	4962.78	5435.00	7779.65	2006.12	749.42
359	356.78	723.22	1.55	1.46	1379.60	3054.66	119.55	248.28	2.91	4.55
360	0.00	0.00	0.37	1.37	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.29	0.00	0.00
374	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.63	3.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
375	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
376	0.00	0.00	0.49	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
377	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	1.84	3.09	3.27	180.00	254.56
378	6175.36	8441.67	164.55	220.41	3472.11	4099.57	811.36	920.67	1995.33	1230.71
379	3080.27	3492.78	611.70	12.55	318.93	10.01	5747.14	1716.66	4189.49	1349.32
380	1175.26	110.17	607.60	758.98	3.91	1.82	1062.54	1501.58	843.98	700.71
381	25.28	28.59	0.03	0.04	0.29	0.38	0.54	0.74	0.03	0.04
382	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.53	1.19
721	445.63	481.01	106.80	1.27	148.93	42.46	362.65	29.84	369.90	433.17
722	5.07	7.17	14.68	16.72	5.92	2.66	20.91	28.86	52.07	73.16
723	576.35	407.93	437.23	319.80	1544.42	1811.07	1633.62	1493.64	610.69	733.96
724	72.34	86.36	1.71	1.07	40.04	6.88	221.00	275.42	9.36	3.83
725	633.76	720.63	1138.33	1230.83	391.65	321.52	253.61	157.39	139.65	13.36
726	35.40	29.27	18.44	1.68	50.81	37.60	21.44	17.13	33.00	43.47
727	207.30	73.40	208.40	230.66	195.29	45.17	116.90	153.16	9.47	9.16
728	10.11	13.28	9.40	1.98	4.30	1.85	82.65	100.62	10.81	6.20
752	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.35	1.74	1.84	1.57	2.22	0.00	0.00
753	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	3.39
754	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
755	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
756	0.73	0.00	1.62	2.28	0.00	0.00	2.39	3.37	0.00	0.00
757	0.38	0.54	1.74	2.46	0.41	0.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
758	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
759	0.00	0.00	2.42	3.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
760	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.09	0.36	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.34	0.48
761	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
762	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
763	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.15	0.00	0.00	1.45	1.37
764	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
765	1.02	1.44	0.00	0.00	0.35	0.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
766	0.00	0.00	3.30	4.67	0.00	0.00	0.59	0.83	0.00	0.00
767	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Table 10.** Redfish survey biomass (t) by stratum in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Strata	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Strata	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>353</b>	0	0	0	1	0	<b>725</b>	5818	10450	3374	2291	1150
<b>354</b>	18412	10318	11187	27	15	<b>726</b>	223	118	315	137	184
<b>355</b>	11017	3271	4663	224	93	<b>727</b>	1769	1778	1639	998	73
<b>356</b>	2607	880	4635	1258	1633	<b>728</b>	70	64	29	573	68
<b>357</b>	54832	11793	35309	81583	67030	<b>752</b>	0	3	19	18	0
<b>358</b>	324502	74125	111435	106337	35402	<b>753</b>	0	0	0	0	27
<b>359</b>	12297	55	48706	4274	97	<b>754</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>360</b>	0	87	0	17	0	<b>755</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>374</b>	0	0	48	0	0	<b>756</b>	6	14	0	21	0
<b>375</b>	0	0	0	0	0	<b>757</b>	3	16	4	0	0
<b>376</b>	0	56	0	0	0	<b>758</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>377</b>	0	0	10	27	1371	<b>759</b>	0	27	0	0	0
<b>378</b>	76300	2033	40857	9860	21438	<b>760</b>	0	1	5	0	4
<b>379</b>	29023	5669	2774	54151	33835	<b>761</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>380</b>	9864	4938	32	9067	6173	<b>762</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>381</b>	308	0	4	7	0	<b>763</b>	0	0	2	0	30
<b>382</b>	0	0	0	0	14	<b>764</b>	0	0	1	0	0
<b>721</b>	2414	617	846	2061	1832	<b>765</b>	11	0	4	0	0
<b>722</b>	33	108	43	149	343	<b>766</b>	0	42	0	7	0
<b>723</b>	7685	6024	20930	21101	7649	<b>767</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>724</b>	759	18	414	2357	95						

**Table 11.** Redfish survey biomass (t) with SD and stratified mean catch per tow (kg) and SD by year and Division in NAFO Div. 3NO: 1997-2019.

Div	Year	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>3NO</b>	<b>Biomass</b>	5947	40909	76564	99226	63350	11172	15714	35275	157716	103029	98805	74172
	<b>SD</b>	988	20512	27740	33453	41460	2374	3224	7332	52646	23332	15893	26168
	<b>MCPT</b>	6.79	43.25	85.45	112.71	73.14	12.43	17.21	38.60	175.79	118.76	125.66	82.20
	<b>SD</b>	1.15	19.50	29.56	40.03	48.13	2.60	3.55	8.05	58.86	27.83	20.19	29.14
	<b>Nº Strata</b>	36	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	36	41
<b>3N</b>	<b>Biomass</b>	4753	22540	46459	68928	53855	7620	11031	27016	146918	87830	87602	68059
	<b>SD</b>	353	17632	25022	33109	41371	2106	3199	7174	52267	22675	15364	25890
	<b>MCPT</b>	6.14	26.32	58.78	90.12	71.16	9.62	13.83	33.95	187.61	115.44	124.79	86.51
	<b>SD</b>	0.46	18.33	30.08	45.16	55.00	2.61	4.05	9.06	67.31	30.96	22.09	33.12
	<b>Nº Strata</b>	27	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	28	31
<b>3O</b>	<b>Biomass</b>	1194	18369	30105	30298	9494	3552	4684	8259	10797	15199	11203	6113
	<b>SD</b>	922	10490	12129	6073	2702	1117	369	1326	2728	5279	3362	3258
	<b>MCPT</b>	11.41	159.86	269.16	268.32	86.80	31.74	40.55	70.63	94.35	141.64	132.90	52.55
	<b>SD</b>	8.68	87.87	107.03	54.27	24.47	9.78	3.10	11.68	24.19	52.04	39.93	28.27
	<b>Nº Strata</b>	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	10
<b>3N/Total (%) Biomass</b>		80	55	61	69	85	68	70	77	93	85	89	92

Div	Year	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>3NO</b>	<b>Biomass</b>	763980	431296	487655	294033	458716	190832	557954	132505	287284	296546	178556
	<b>SD</b>	145765	69575	107982	62954	76825	54478	143611	44195	84550	97593	51184
	<b>MCPT</b>	670.46	506.43	543.17	320.52	502.58	240.24	628.14	145.51	330.49	331.74	220.53
	<b>SD</b>	172.93	81.06	124.68	72.27	79.94	69.17	164.37	46.90	98.46	106.48	65.66
	<b>Nº Strata</b>	39	37	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41
<b>3N</b>	<b>Biomass</b>	735743	359536	418305	265238	429532	178055	523461	117270	265904	292819	174641
	<b>SD</b>	143334	58306	99454	60304	76128	54133	143235	43583	83567	85221	51604
	<b>MCPT</b>	721.67	473.94	533.85	330.89	539.18	256.34	669.86	147.23	350.85	375.19	247.00
	<b>SD</b>	194.48	76.53	132.71	80.20	91.06	79.00	187.34	52.24	111.75	121.94	75.16
	<b>Nº Strata</b>	30	29	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31
<b>3O</b>	<b>Biomass</b>	28238	71760	69350	28795	29184	12778	34493	15235	21379	3727	3916
	<b>SD</b>	16762	37821	41858	16754	7503	3927	12527	10014	12196	12371	1583
	<b>MCPT</b>	280.98	772.76	607.40	249.04	250.43	129.36	340.74	133.66	190.25	32.41	38.17
	<b>SD</b>	163.87	402.81	362.85	140.90	64.52	39.61	125.38	85.91	103.27	3.37	15.71
	<b>Nº Strata</b>	9	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
<b>3N/Total (%) Biomass</b>		96	83	86	90	94	93	94	89	93	99	98



**Table 12.** Redfish length weight relationships in Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. E(x) means Error of the parameter x.

Year	Males					Females					Total							
	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N
2015	<b>0.00757</b>	<b>3.17016</b>	0.1274	0.0387	0.995	517	<b>0.0087</b>	<b>3.1206</b>	0.1057	0.0315	0.997	502	<b>0.0073</b>	<b>3.1798</b>	0.092	0.0283	0.997	1095
2016	<b>0.01212</b>	<b>3.01441</b>	0.0982	0.0308	0.997	339	<b>0.0100</b>	<b>3.0707</b>	0.0981	0.0307	0.997	382	<b>0.0128</b>	<b>2.9877</b>	0.2684	0.0892	0.967	751
2017	<b>0.01640</b>	<b>2.93220</b>	0.0997	0.0306	0.998	283	<b>0.0156</b>	<b>2.9555</b>	0.1401	0.0434	0.997	265	<b>0.0140</b>	<b>2.9828</b>	0.0516	0.0167	0.999	668
2018	<b>0.00917</b>	<b>3.10609</b>	0.1077	0.0346	0.9978	576	<b>0.0095</b>	<b>3.0930</b>	0.0868	0.0279	0.9985	489	<b>0.0100</b>	<b>3.0804</b>	0.0992	0.0318	0.9979	1105
2019	<b>0.00899</b>	<b>3.11169</b>	0.1428	0.0439	0.9939	549	<b>0.0181</b>	<b>2.9013</b>	0.1610	0.0483	0.9920	499	<b>0.0074</b>	<b>3.1665</b>	0.1374	0.0440	0.9927	1083

**Table 13.** Redfish mean number per tow by year in Spanish Spring surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 1997-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

1997				1998				1999				2000				2001				2002				2003						
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	22.38	14.94	0.00	37.32	108.36	114.09	0.02	222.47	289.50	200.84	0.39	490.73	518.31	326.79	0.00	845.10	279.45	158.85	1.10	439.41	46.49	37.53	1.05	85.06	71.00	46.21	0.82	118.03		
2004				2005				2006				2007				2008				2009				2010						
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	122.61	94.97	19.57	237.15	573.80	502.15	95.21	1171.16	398.90	293.94	247.70	940.54	368.68	313.47	3.01	685.15	329.78	259.80	2.00	591.59	3754.48	2846.50	3.64	6604.62	2009.91	1807.51	0.23	3817.65		
2011				2011				2012				2013				2014				2015				2016						
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	2385.24	1906.21	9.10	4300.55	2385.24	1906.21	9.10	4300.55	1184.89	981.01	0.31	2166.20	2034.96	1542.08	0.38	3577.42	742.09	639.39	0.41	1381.88	2120.95	1721.56	11.42	3853.93	475.14	409.51	0.26	884.92		
2016				2017				2018				2019																		
Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total			
MNPT	475.14	409.51	0.26	884.92	964.13	853.43	15.02	1832.58	1024.93	710.51	1.35	1736.79	406.57	565.21	0.79	972.57														



**Table 14.** Redfish mean number per tow by length class and year. Spanish Spring Survey on NAFO 3NO: 2015-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

Length (cm)	2015				2016				2017				2018				2019			
	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total
4	0.000	0.000	0.174	0.174	0.000	0.000	0.051	0.051	0.000	0.000	0.522	0.522	0.000	0.000	0.023	0.023	0.000	0.000	0.096	0.096
6	0.000	0.000	9.091	9.091	0.000	0.000	0.068	0.068	0.000	0.000	1.414	1.414	0.135	0.065	0.594	0.795	0.000	0.016	0.141	0.157
8	0.000	0.000	2.003	2.003	0.654	0.000	0.030	0.684	0.103	0.000	2.273	2.376	0.455	0.271	0.680	1.406	0.000	0.000	0.189	0.189
10	0.000	0.094	0.046	0.140	2.414	0.108	0.017	2.539	2.049	0.017	2.794	4.860	0.295	0.135	0.015	0.445	0.036	0.000	0.085	0.121
12	0.010	0.000	0.065	0.075	3.306	0.205	0.096	3.607	0.521	0.394	2.895	3.810	0.567	0.428	0.036	1.031	2.661	0.725	0.081	3.467
14	0.729	0.061	0.036	0.826	0.024	0.104	0.000	0.129	1.928	3.715	4.102	9.745	1.346	1.645	0.000	2.991	8.267	3.908	0.169	12.344
16	1.054	0.190	0.000	1.244	1.001	0.096	0.000	1.097	3.574	0.280	1.024	4.878	0.491	0.568	0.000	1.058	8.122	4.140	0.028	12.290
18	97.663	29.361	0.000	127.025	5.055	9.300	0.000	14.355	13.894	5.673	0.000	19.567	6.094	1.182	0.000	7.276	3.345	3.545	0.000	6.890
20	960.679	291.918	0.000	1252.597	178.277	46.371	0.000	224.648	224.661	62.895	0.000	287.556	115.665	7.446	0.000	123.111	18.751	5.932	0.000	24.683
22	803.867	668.544	0.000	1472.411	232.550	148.387	0.000	380.938	524.060	265.947	0.000	790.006	618.083	102.038	0.000	720.121	170.654	28.413	0.000	199.067
24	171.811	428.572	0.000	600.384	40.976	126.419	0.000	167.396	163.745	346.359	0.000	510.104	235.460	301.058	0.000	536.518	150.791	124.569	0.000	275.360
26	72.813	151.935	0.000	224.748	6.659	47.352	0.000	54.011	24.377	123.100	0.000	147.476	36.221	207.276	0.000	243.497	37.150	225.909	0.000	263.059
28	3.194	78.432	0.000	81.626	2.794	17.318	0.000	20.112	3.004	32.317	0.000	35.321	5.991	55.082	0.000	61.074	5.463	116.183	0.000	121.646
30	1.919	46.678	0.000	48.597	0.547	8.397	0.000	8.944	0.866	8.863	0.000	9.729	1.521	21.102	0.000	22.624	0.240	37.628	0.000	37.868
32	3.066	18.828	0.000	21.894	0.267	3.708	0.000	3.975	0.380	2.558	0.000	2.938	1.374	9.091	0.000	10.465	0.170	13.246	0.000	13.416
34	2.027	4.225	0.000	6.252	0.251	1.081	0.000	1.332	0.393	0.749	0.000	1.142	0.721	2.097	0.000	2.818	0.319	0.269	0.000	0.587
36	0.944	1.598	0.000	2.542	0.121	0.442	0.000	0.563	0.226	0.290	0.000	0.516	0.350	0.645	0.000	0.995	0.296	0.246	0.000	0.542
38	0.760	0.756	0.000	1.516	0.104	0.159	0.000	0.263	0.243	0.140	0.000	0.383	0.103	0.342	0.000	0.445	0.153	0.232	0.000	0.385
40	0.391	0.198	0.000	0.590	0.132	0.041	0.000	0.174	0.077	0.074	0.000	0.151	0.034	0.019	0.000	0.053	0.126	0.148	0.000	0.274
42	0.024	0.112	0.000	0.137	0.012	0.020	0.000	0.032	0.027	0.047	0.000	0.073	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.004	0.027	0.088	0.000	0.115
44	0.000	0.054	0.000	0.054	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.010	0.000	0.014	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.013	0.000	0.013	0.013
46	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
48	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
50	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
52	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
54	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
56	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
58	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
60	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.020	0.000	0.000	0.020	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
62	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.016	0.000	0.016	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
64	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004
Total	2120.954	1721.558	11.415	3853.927	475.144	409.509	0.262	884.915	964.130	853.427	15.025	1832.582	1024.927	710.511	1.348	1736.786	406.575	565.210	0.789	972.573
Nº samples:				43				49				46				46				42
Nº Ind.:	3508	4328	1318	9154	1614	2108	22	3744	3013	3302	221	6536	3133	2410	183	5726	2640	2464	113	5217
Sampled catch:				1977				1162				1460				1298				1242
Range:				5-44				5-43				5-45				5-63				5-64
Total catch:				93699				22361				47617				50017				34097
Total hauls:				122				115				114				114				115



**Table 15.** Redfish total abundance (thousands) by length class and year by Division. Spanish Spring Survey on NAFO 3NO: 2002-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

Length	2002			2003			2004			2005			2006			2007			2008			2009			2010			
	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	
4	29	0	29	42	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	0	48	31	0	31	106	0	106	
6	726	43	769	428	0	428	653	929	1581	607	406	1013	497	1098	1595	229	3552	3781	546	0	546	115	73	188	89	0	89	
8	131	12	143	131	32	163	4396	8998	13394	2013	8785	10798	786	5725	6511	369	2823	3193	211	0	211	566	681	1247	12	15	27	
10	61	0	61	135	15	150	1593	1281	2873	35799	17710	53609	14502	1126	15628	291	264	555	438	0	438	12940	312	13252	12	0	12	
12	125	0	125	123	0	123	2138	2006	4143	4287	6308	10595	118480	4441	122921	8675	1573	10248	1527	0	1527	26864	991	27855	18	0	18	
14	734	23	757	774	64	838	2584	1189	3773	4609	8374	12983	67571	31801	99372	46902	5006	51909	18189	9	18198	78624	4510	83135	150	0	150	
16	4160	732	4892	3196	540	3736	8402	1352	9754	37024	2328	39352	37857	12852	50708	59160	15372	74532	150631	2232	152863	771311	28800	800111	93890	16567	110457	
18	10453	3442	13895	12690	4939	17629	16326	3649	19975	168240	6004	174244	44352	6510	50862	39188	10467	49655	86322	5448	91770	2344608	117755	2462363	898104	217029	1115134	
20	13463	8295	21759	18058	11493	29551	26775	8016	34791	126477	15256	141733	121634	18361	139995	42951	10299	53250	36304	4946	41250	695022	63782	758804	817919	254757	1072677	
22	9370	10144	19514	15054	10203	25296	29641	10372	40012	155507	14353	170042	110607	2752	137859	81649	13426	95074	57152	10878	68030	380843	21782	402626	293054	61525	354580	
24	5805	2815	8621	9743	3844	13586	19847	8258	28105	139730	11076	150807	56333	14126	70460	84550	11182	95732	70582	9288	79870	335607	14713	350320	222493	27002	249495	
26	2366	298	2664	4561	708	5269	12458	5658	18116	67260	3914	71174	38066	4318	42384	49687	4884	54570	41454	3137	44591	170424	3550	173973	112364	6967	119331	
28	1987	118	2105	1939	213	2152	10449	2492	12940	42356	1691	44047	19299	1375	20674	24839	2397	27236	15101	908	16010	70008	846	70854	45699	2080	47779	
30	1270	153	1423	935	132	1066	6997	706	7703	17495	514	18009	9822	464	10286	20358	1253	21611	5532	155	5687	26297	365	26661	23031	457	23488	
32	1123	125	1248	979	96	1075	3488	282	3770	7835	210	8045	5391	201	5591	17150	798	17948	4357	102	4459	6432	28	6460	10924	132	11056	
34	433	68	501	549	91	640	2407	97	2504	3442	62	3504	2540	113	2653	9784	681	10465	2955	60	3016	4239	21	4261	6129	141	6270	
36	188	33	221	208	23	231	618	31	649	2466	8	2474	905	67	971	7544	476	8020	988	57	1045	4887	30	4917	2279	61	2341	
38	32	4	36	96	18	114	128	4	132	597	8	605	330	30	360	2102	216	2318	386	56	442	371	0	371	1160	20	1180	
40	0	3	3	62	14	75	118	0	118	324	0	324	264	14	277	267	59	326	160	21	181	99	0	99	786	0	786	
42	6	0	6	36	0	36	0	0	0	224	0	224	56	6	62	90	0	90	64	3	66	121	0	121	193	0	193	
44	0	0	0	16	0	16	9	0	9	21	0	21	0	0	0	11	0	11	16	0	16	37	0	37	164	0	164	
46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	326647	26307	78777	60751	20145	100170	141009	55349	20434	81621	71780	101280	91250	164020	120070	770174	106706	81727	580574	140071	37300	530071	140071	14100	258228	548765	211523	
Length	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	3N	30	3NO	
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**Table 16.** Witch flounder mean catch (kg) and SD by stratum. Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015–2019. n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Stratum	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019	
	W. flounder Mean catch	SD	W. flounder Mean catch	SD	W. flounder Mean catch	SD	W. flounder Mean catch	SD	W. flounder Mean catch	SD
353	3.83	3.32	9.04	12.20	0.00	23.33	5.23	4.95	0.00	0.00
354	2.15	2.69	7.07	7.52	27.83	0.00	0.85	0.60	0.36	0.32
355	2.05	0.06	1.74	0.52	6.48	0.00	0.07	0.09	0.39	0.33
356	3.85	5.35	1.26	0.79	1.90	0.00	0.27	0.39	0.00	0.00
357	0.96	0.25	5.13	5.30	1.91	0.00	0.73	1.03	0.60	0.84
358	4.60	4.48	50.02	55.56	8.29	0.00	0.32	0.55	3.01	2.64
359	18.27	21.53	4.01	6.05	37.44	0.11	5.12	8.26	3.86	2.31
360	0.35	0.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	349.29	0.28	0.47	0.00	0.00
374	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
375	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	54.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
376	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	234.89	0.30	0.86	0.00	0.00
377	0.78	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.90	1.27
378	2.83	2.07	0.28	0.40	3.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.59
379	0.29	0.40	0.58	0.82	1.69	0.00	0.21	0.30	0.58	0.82
380	0.73	0.10	1.20	0.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.37
381	1.24	1.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.03	1.45
382	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.23	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
721	0.76	0.22	1.18	0.99	0.55	0.00	0.75	0.94	0.09	0.12
722	1.19	0.08	1.22	0.08	0.58	0.00	0.57	0.47	0.18	0.25
723	4.71	1.86	2.77	3.72	4.26	0.00	6.78	9.26	2.07	2.92
724	8.16	4.06	7.20	4.53	1.84	0.00	3.39	3.14	1.62	1.29
725	7.12	5.54	10.09	12.18	6.89	0.00	0.09	0.12	3.24	3.20
726	2.95	0.26	6.17	6.54	2.60	0.00	5.34	3.00	1.88	2.66
727	0.78	0.52	11.86	10.24	34.08	0.00	6.40	6.80	2.77	3.81
728	11.70	7.50	22.92	21.46	10.18	0.00	6.48	9.16	3.63	4.39
752	9.88	5.51	14.46	12.22	8.53	0.00	13.49	19.08	0.21	0.00
753	0.81	1.13	0.00	0.00	1.14	0.00	1.19	1.68	0.00	0.00
754	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
755	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
756	5.15	3.29	16.99	22.22	5.87	0.00	1.23	1.02	3.01	4.26
757	3.29	4.65	0.40	0.56	4.96	0.00	3.86	0.00	0.28	0.40
758	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
759	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
760	16.15	20.72	3.04	2.14	5.15	0.00	4.04	3.50	0.08	0.11
761	2.61	0.94	0.91	1.28	2.27	0.00	8.24	-	2.51	1.76
762	0.45	0.64	0.89	1.26	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.15	0.00	0.00
763	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
764	0.68	0.14	1.10	0.85	1.45	0.00	1.37	1.26	0.36	0.33
765	0.37	0.24	0.17	0.03	0.97	0.00	2.08	2.94	0.27	0.37
766	0.25	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.08	0.16	0.23
767	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Table 17.** Witch flounder survey biomass (t) by stratum in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. n.s. means stratum not surveyed.

Strata	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Strata	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
353	77	205	0	125	0	725	65	93	59	1	27
354	41	151	576	18	7	726	19	40	16	34	10
355	12	11	43	0	2	727	7	101	286	55	21
356	14	5	8	1	0	728	81	156	69	45	23
357	13	72	27	10	8	752	115	160	95	152	2
358	89	1000	154	6	53	753	10	0	13	14	0
359	630	142	1322	183	128	754	0	0	0	0	0
360	82	0	0	68	0	755	0	0	0	0	0
374	0	0	0	0	0	756	46	152	52	11	24
375	0	0	0	0	0	757	29	4	45	35	2
376	0	0	0	36	0	758	0	0	0	0	0
377	7	0	0	0	7	759	0	0	0	0	0
378	35	3	38	0	4	760	221	41	67	52	1
379	3	5	15	2	5	761	37	14	33	114	36
380	6	10	0	0	2	762	8	17	0	2	0
381	15	0	0	0	12	763	0	0	0	0	0
382	0	0	7	0	0	764	5	10	13	12	3
721	4	7	3	4	0	765	4	2	11	22	3
722	8	9	4	4	1	766	3	0	0	1	2
723	63	38	58	88	26	767	0	0	1	0	0
724	86	77	19	36	16						

**Table 18.** Witch flounder survey biomass (t) with SD and stratified mean catch per tow (kg) and SD by year and Division in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2002-2019.

Year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Biomass</b>	1784	3145	3348	2633	2570	1480	2118	1872	3239
<b>SD</b>	426	690	523	488	629	229	481	423	777
<b>MCPT</b>	2.00	3.42	3.66	2.95	3.01	1.84	2.32	2.13	3.82
<b>SD</b>	0.49	0.75	0.56	0.56	0.73	0.28	0.52	0.48	0.91
Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Biomass</b>	1428	2763	2078	903	1834	2526	3033	1132	426
<b>SD</b>	248	648	367	134	376	737	1199	251	74
<b>MCPT</b>	1.58	3.06	2.32	1.09	2.11	2.79	3.47	1.27	0.52
<b>SD</b>	0.28	0.74	0.41	0.16	0.42	0.78	1.35	0.28	0.09



**Table 19.** Witch flounder length weight relationships in Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. E(x) means Error of the parameter x.

Year	Males					Females					Total							
	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N	a	b	E(a)	E(b)	R2	N
2015	<b>0.00103</b>	<b>3.51249</b>	0.1701	0.0489	0.995	306	<b>0.00154</b>	<b>3.39857</b>	0.0807	0.0230	0.998	440	<b>0.00206</b>	<b>3.31598</b>	0.1112	0.0329	0.996	762
2016	<b>0.00102</b>	<b>3.49955</b>	0.1145	0.0327	0.998	222	<b>0.00147</b>	<b>3.40745</b>	0.1089	0.0314	0.997	354	<b>0.00209</b>	<b>3.30679</b>	0.2052	0.0610	0.985	584
2017	<b>0.00104</b>	<b>3.49803</b>	0.1432	0.0405	0.997	247	<b>0.00120</b>	<b>3.45370</b>	0.0990	0.0286	0.998	299	<b>0.00173</b>	<b>3.35493</b>	0.0907	0.0263	0.998	595
2018	<b>0.00167</b>	<b>3.37049</b>	0.1496	0.0444	0.997	149	<b>0.00210</b>	<b>3.30161</b>	0.1524	0.0447	0.996	279	<b>0.00230</b>	<b>3.28003</b>	0.1309	0.0384	0.997	430
2019	<b>0.00101</b>	<b>3.50260</b>	0.3344	0.0953	0.984	77	<b>0.00116</b>	<b>3.46937</b>	0.2019	0.0555	0.994	116	<b>0.00194</b>	<b>3.32737</b>	0.1299	0.0373	0.996	196

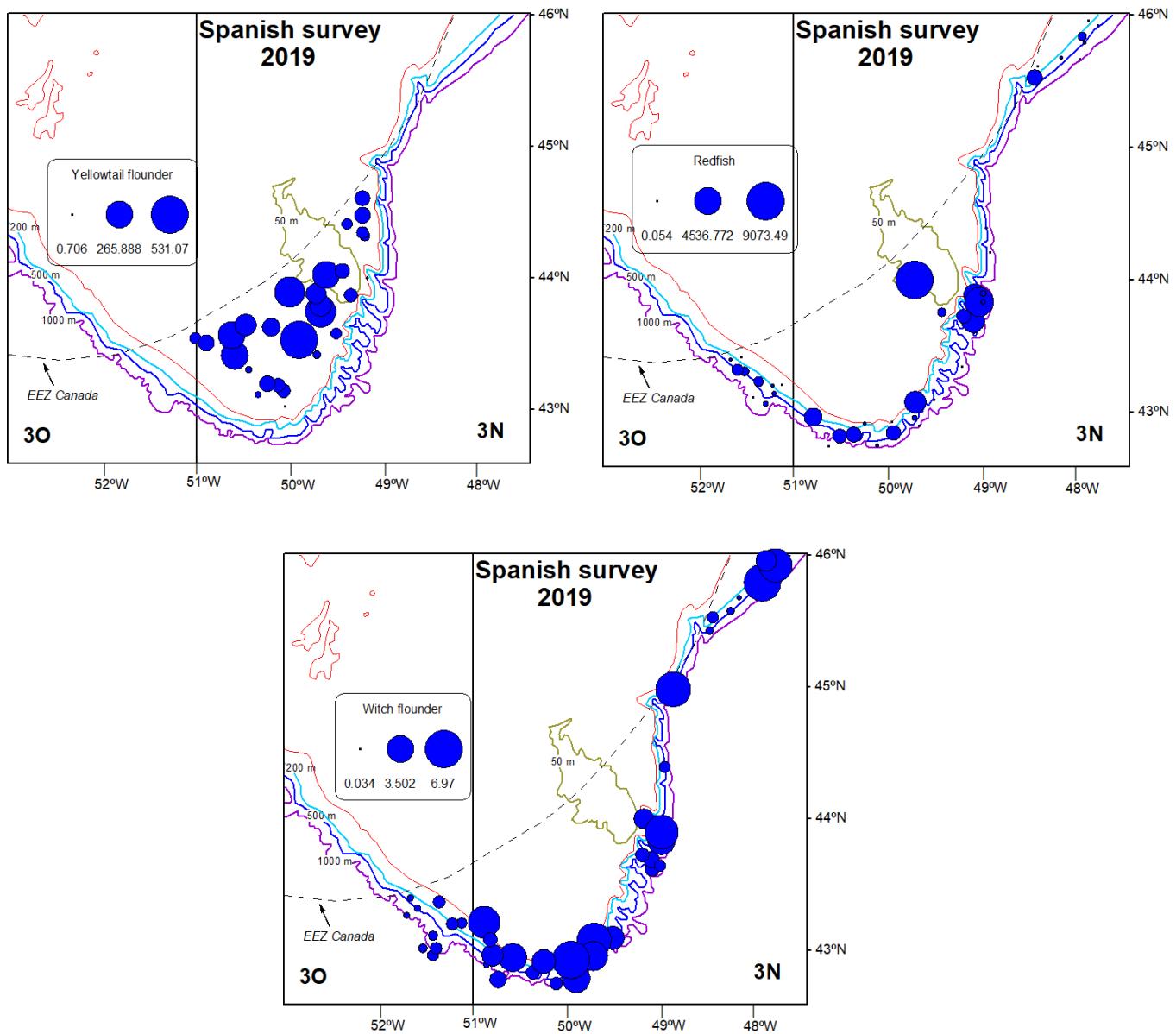
**Table 20.** Witch flounder mean number per tow by year in Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2002-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

	2002				2003				2004				2005				2006				2007			
	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total	Males	Females	Indet.	Total
MNPT	2.602	3.488	0.459	6.548	4.499	5.864	0.057	10.420	4.182	6.088	0.211	10.480	4.160	5.570	0.605	10.336	3.384	4.937	0.040	8.360	1.952	3.050	0.061	5.063
	2008				2009				2010				2011				2012				2013			
MNPT	2.061	3.384	0.027	5.472	2.352	4.107	0.043	6.502	3.538	5.411	0.000	8.949	1.326	2.529	0.033	3.887	3.350	4.078	0.056	7.483	2.009	3.908	0.159	6.076
	2014				2015				2016				2017				2018				2019			
MNPT	0.756	1.626	0.012	2.395	1.941	2.810	0.125	4.875	2.466	3.419	0.046	5.931	3.611	3.773	0.034	7.418	1.435	2.125	0.007	3.567	0.552	0.722	0.012	1.286

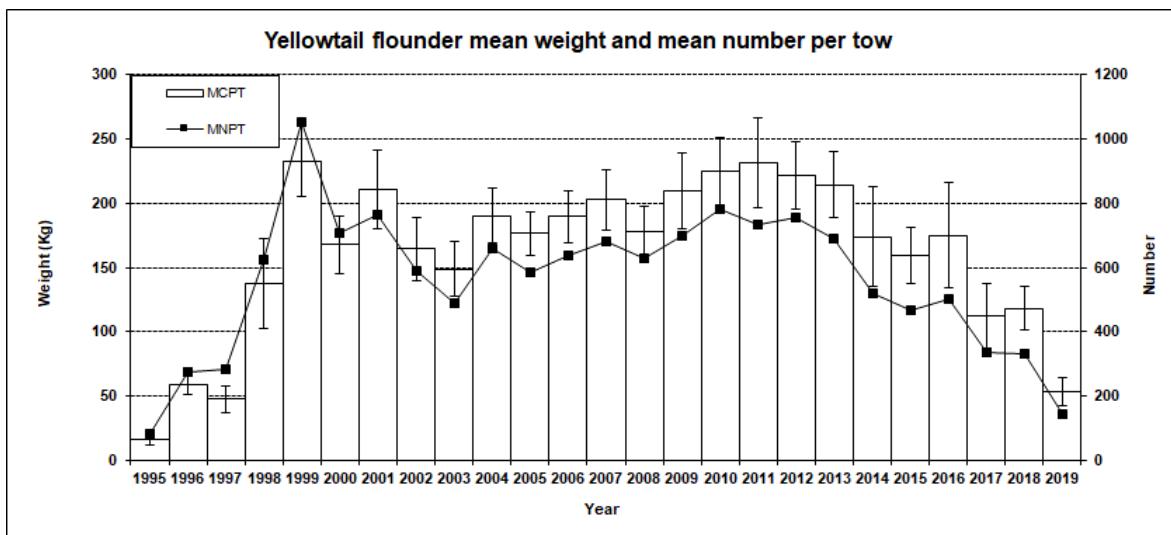
**Table 21.** Witch flounder mean number per tow by length class and year. Spanish Spring Surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2015-2019. Indet. means indeterminate.

Length (cm)	2015				2016				2017				2018				2019			
	Males	Females	Indet.	Total																
4	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
6	0.000	0.000	0.064	0.064	0.000	0.000	0.028	0.028	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.005	0.000	0.005	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004
8	0.000	0.000	0.042	0.042	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.000	0.008	0.008	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.008
10	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.026	0.008	0.033	0.000	0.000	0.019	0.019	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
12	0.000	0.008	0.000	0.008	0.007	0.008	0.010	0.025	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.022	0.021	0.000	0.042	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
14	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.009	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.007	0.007	0.022	0.053	0.007	0.082	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.003
16	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.007	0.003	0.008	0.000	0.011	0.013	0.033	0.000	0.046	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
18	0.022	0.018	0.000	0.040	0.000	0.014	0.000	0.014	0.010	0.012	0.000	0.022	0.000	0.005	0.000	0.005	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.004
20	0.006	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.012	0.012	0.000	0.024	0.006	0.030	0.000	0.036	0.008	0.039	0.000	0.047	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.007
22	0.016	0.014	0.000	0.030	0.000	0.040	0.000	0.040	0.000	0.028	0.000	0.028	0.024	0.014	0.000	0.039	0.005	0.005	0.000	0.010
24	0.010	0.025	0.000	0.036	0.016	0.004	0.000	0.020	0.008	0.028	0.000	0.036	0.035	0.031	0.000	0.066	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.007
26	0.037	0.004	0.000	0.042	0.025	0.037	0.000	0.061	0.024	0.044	0.000	0.069	0.048	0.030	0.000	0.078	0.009	0.014	0.000	0.023
28	0.057	0.058	0.000	0.115	0.070	0.062	0.000	0.132	0.108	0.050	0.000	0.158	0.154	0.100	0.000	0.254	0.037	0.040	0.000	0.077
30	0.118	0.114	0.000	0.232	0.105	0.153	0.000	0.257	0.129	0.112	0.000	0.241	0.203	0.188	0.000	0.391	0.059	0.056	0.000	0.115
32	0.179	0.099	0.000	0.278	0.086	0.132	0.000	0.218	0.105	0.128	0.000	0.233	0.264	0.157	0.000	0.421	0.074	0.061	0.000	0.135
34	0.245	0.196	0.004	0.445	0.127	0.163	0.000	0.290	0.210	0.104	0.000	0.314	0.156	0.188	0.000	0.344	0.065	0.044	0.000	0.109
36	0.352	0.259	0.000	0.611	0.280	0.181	0.000	0.461	0.341	0.125	0.000	0.466	0.081	0.137	0.000	0.218	0.037	0.053	0.000	0.089
38	0.339	0.268	0.000	0.607	0.428	0.244	0.000	0.672	0.790	0.344	0.000	1.134	0.117	0.195	0.000	0.312	0.074	0.035	0.000	0.109
40	0.358	0.423	0.000	0.781	0.518	0.440	0.000	0.958	1.029	0.629	0.000	1.658	0.096	0.151	0.000	0.247	0.067	0.084	0.000	0.151
42	0.110	0.384	0.004	0.497	0.423	0.571	0.000	0.994	0.617	0.643	0.000	1.260	0.121	0.119	0.000	0.240	0.062	0.105	0.000	0.167
44	0.040	0.377	0.007	0.425	0.276	0.673	0.000	0.949	0.111	0.628	0.000	0.739	0.025	0.172	0.000	0.197	0.038	0.093	0.000	0.131
46	0.026	0.262	0.000	0.287	0.072	0.322	0.000	0.394	0.100	0.379	0.000	0.479	0.025	0.225	0.000	0.250	0.008	0.045	0.000	0.053
48	0.016	0.176	0.004	0.196	0.019	0.144	0.000	0.164	0.020	0.256	0.000	0.276	0.017	0.156	0.000	0.173	0.000	0.044	0.000	0.044
50	0.000	0.063	0.000	0.063	0.000	0.090	0.000	0.090	0.000	0.143	0.000	0.143	0.004	0.035	0.000	0.039	0.000	0.031	0.000	0.031
52	0.000	0.042	0.000	0.042	0.000	0.048	0.000	0.048	0.000	0.048	0.000	0.048	0.000	0.025	0.000	0.025	0.000	0.009	0.000	0.009
54	0.000	0.012	0.000	0.012	0.000	0.035	0.000	0.035	0.000	0.033	0.000	0.033	0.000	0.014	0.000	0.014	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
56	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.024	0.000	0.024	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
58	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
60	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
62	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
64	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total	1.941	2.810	0.125	4.875	2.466	3.419	0.046	5.931	3.611	3.773	0.034	7.418	1.435	2.125	0.007	3.567	0.552	0.722	0.012	1.286
Nº samples:					69			50				51				50				42
Nº Ind.:	304	443	21	768	330	513	8	851	360	455	6	821	171	303	2	476	78	115	3	196
Sampled catch:					336			401				387				180				81
Range:					7-54			6-59				8-55				7-57				7-53
Total catch:					346			442				509				181				82
Total hauls:					122			115				113				114				115

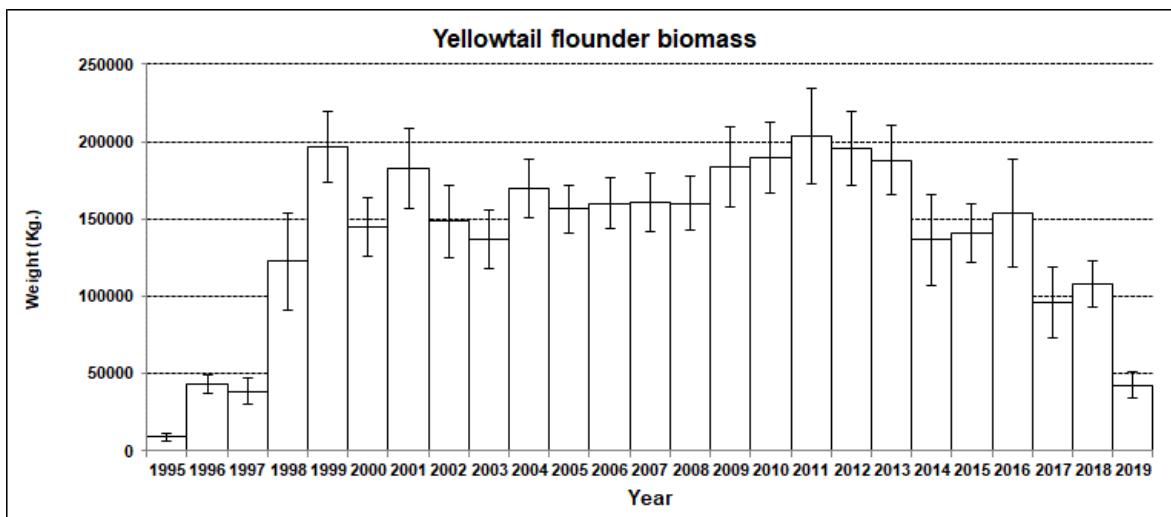




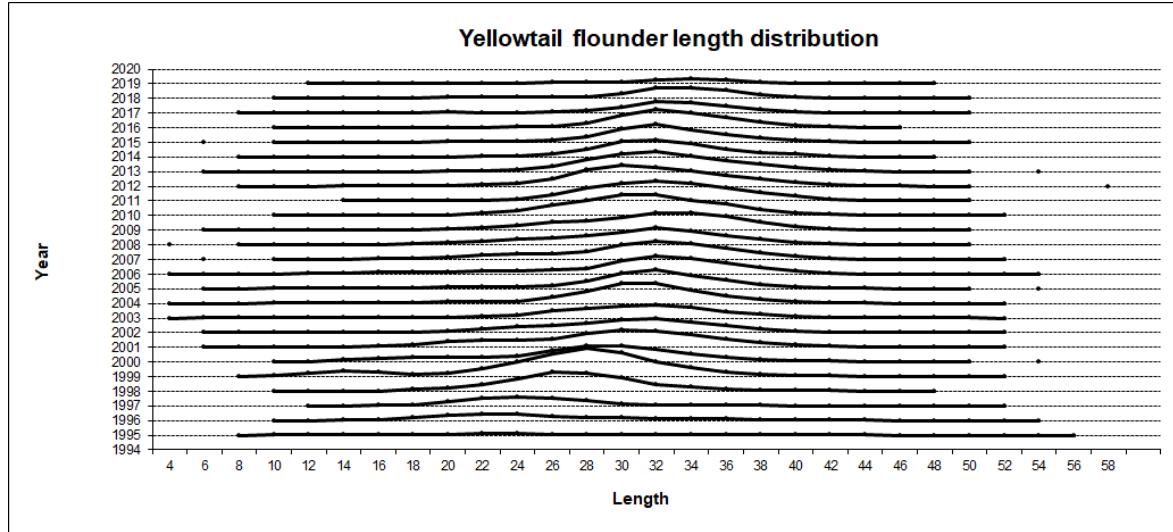
**Figure 1.** Position of the hauls and the catch of yellowtail flounder, redfish and witch flounder during the 2019 Spanish 3NO survey. Note that the scale is different in the three graphs.



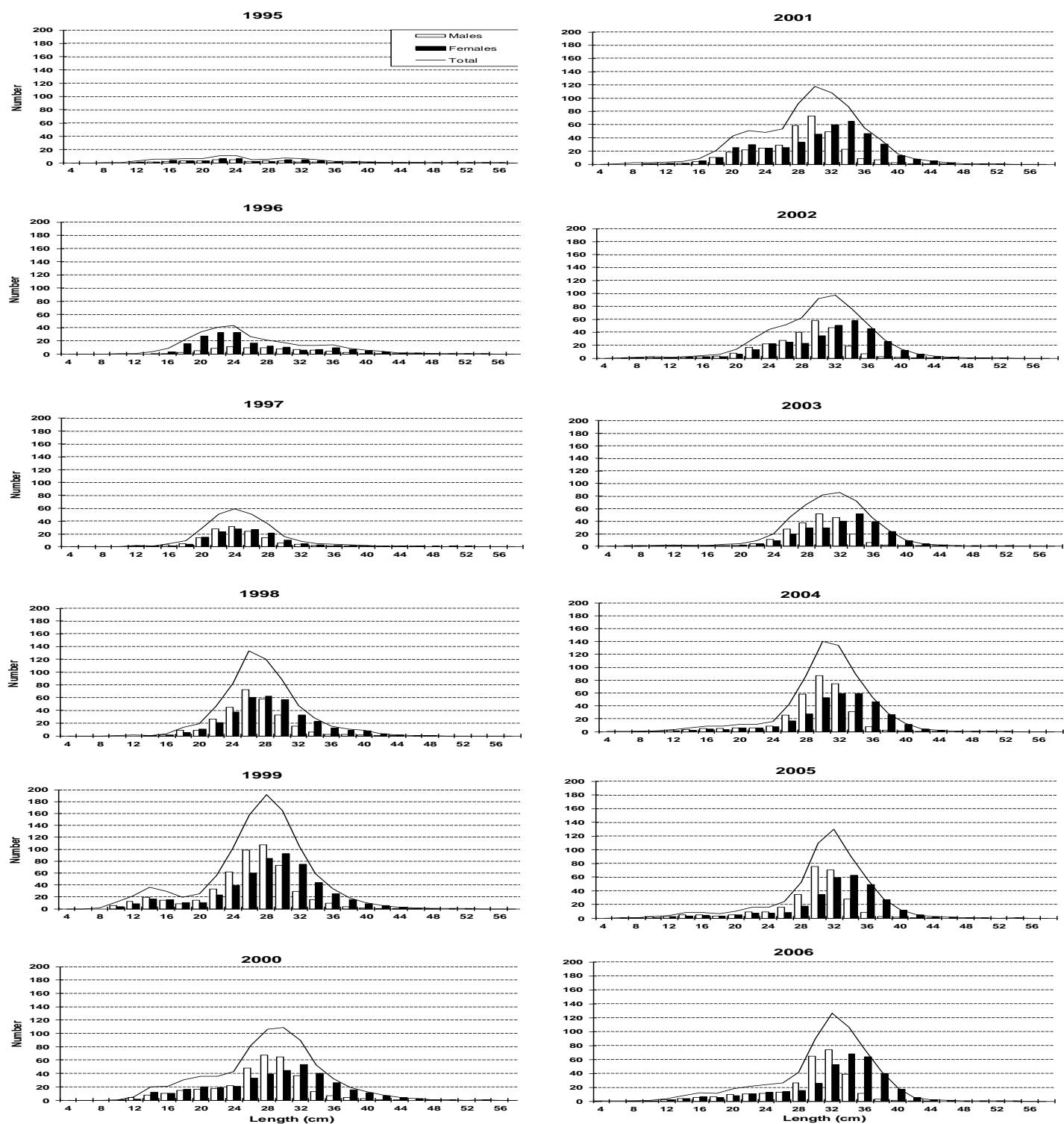
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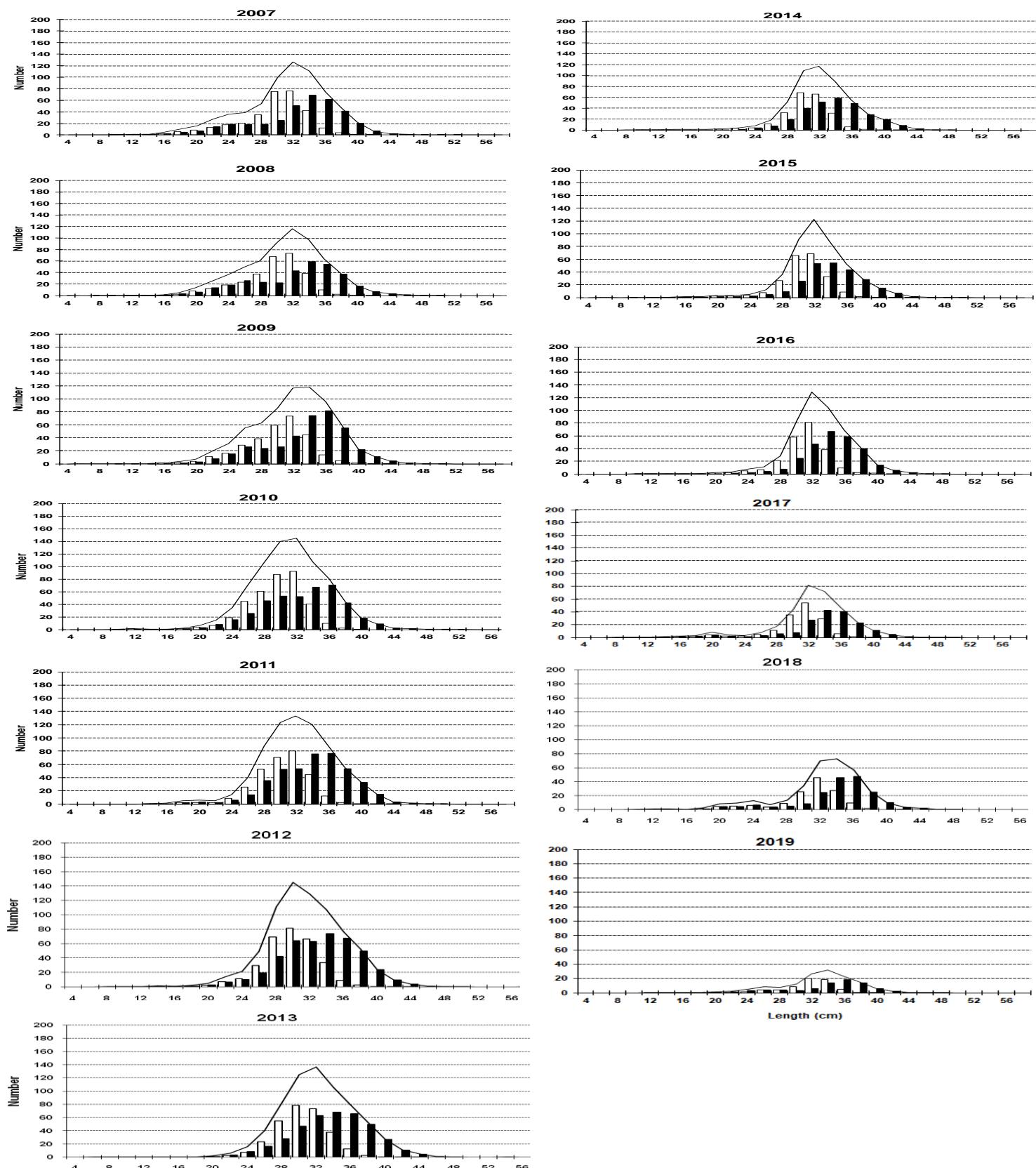
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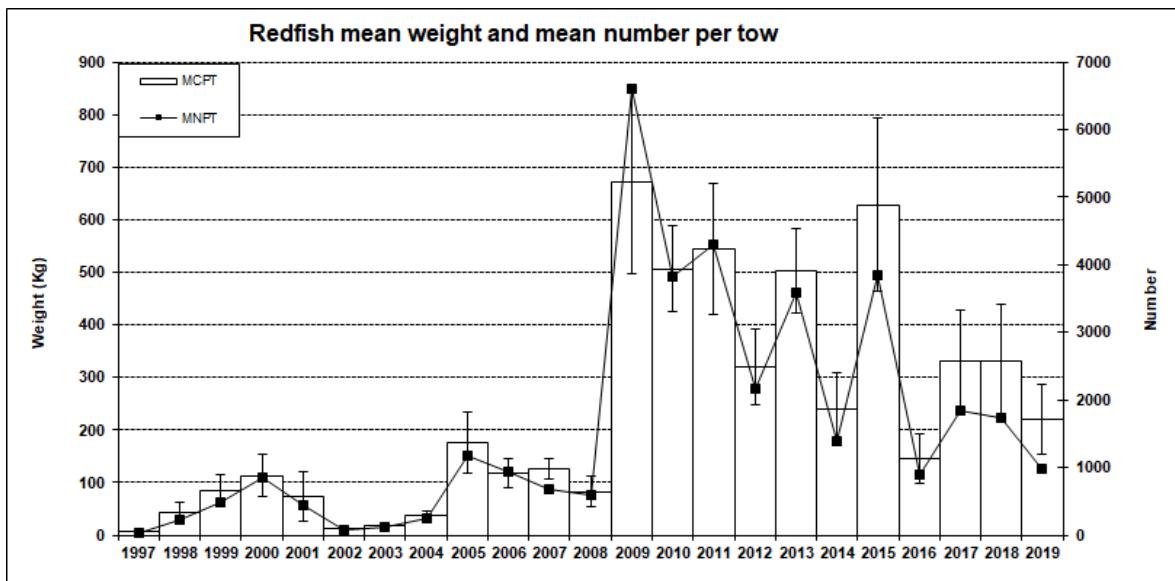
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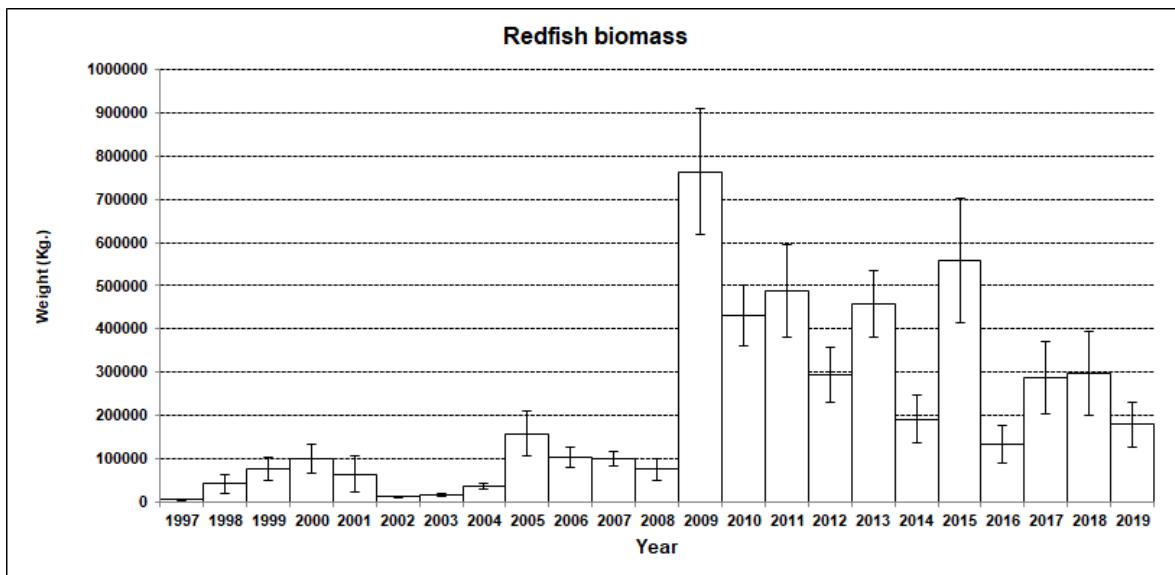
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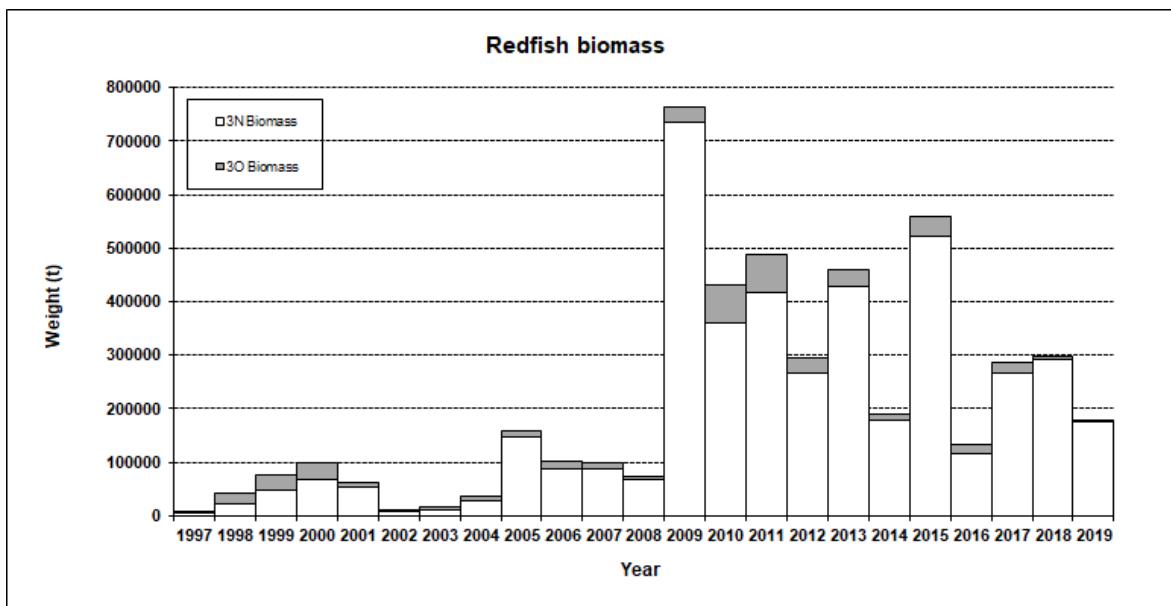
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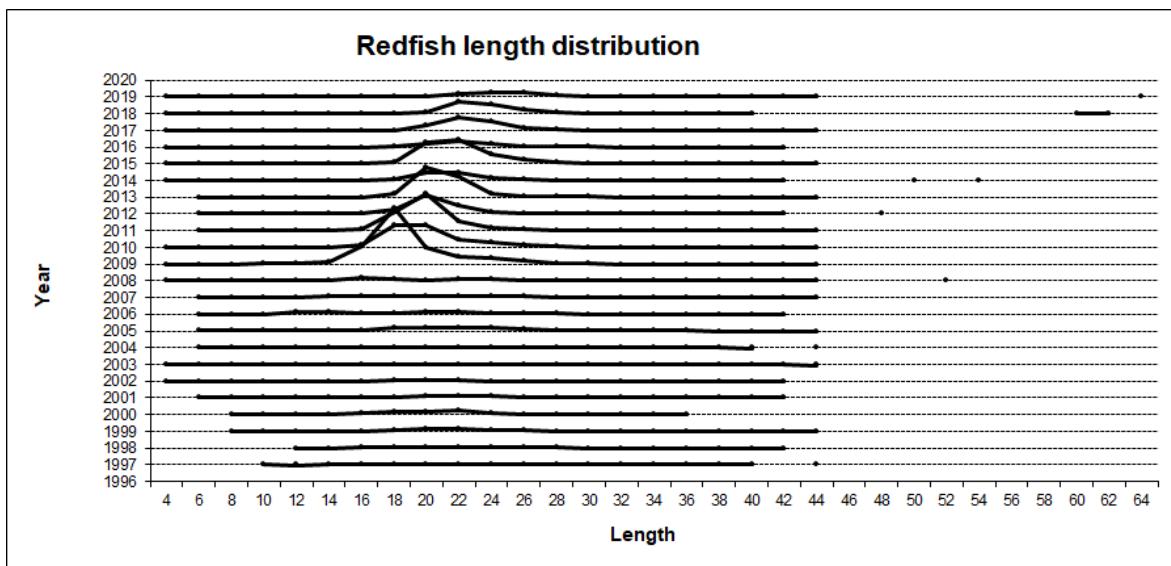
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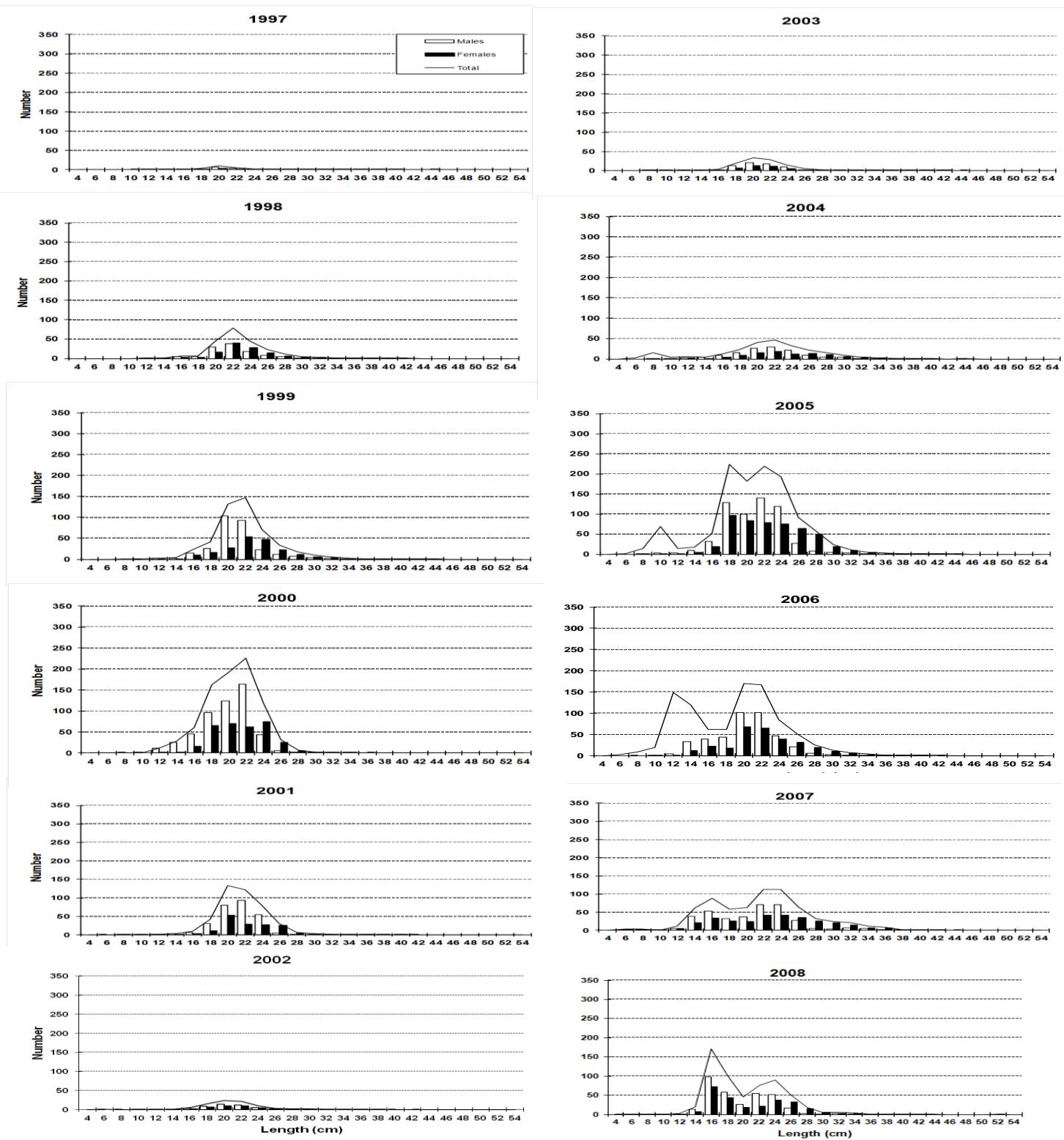
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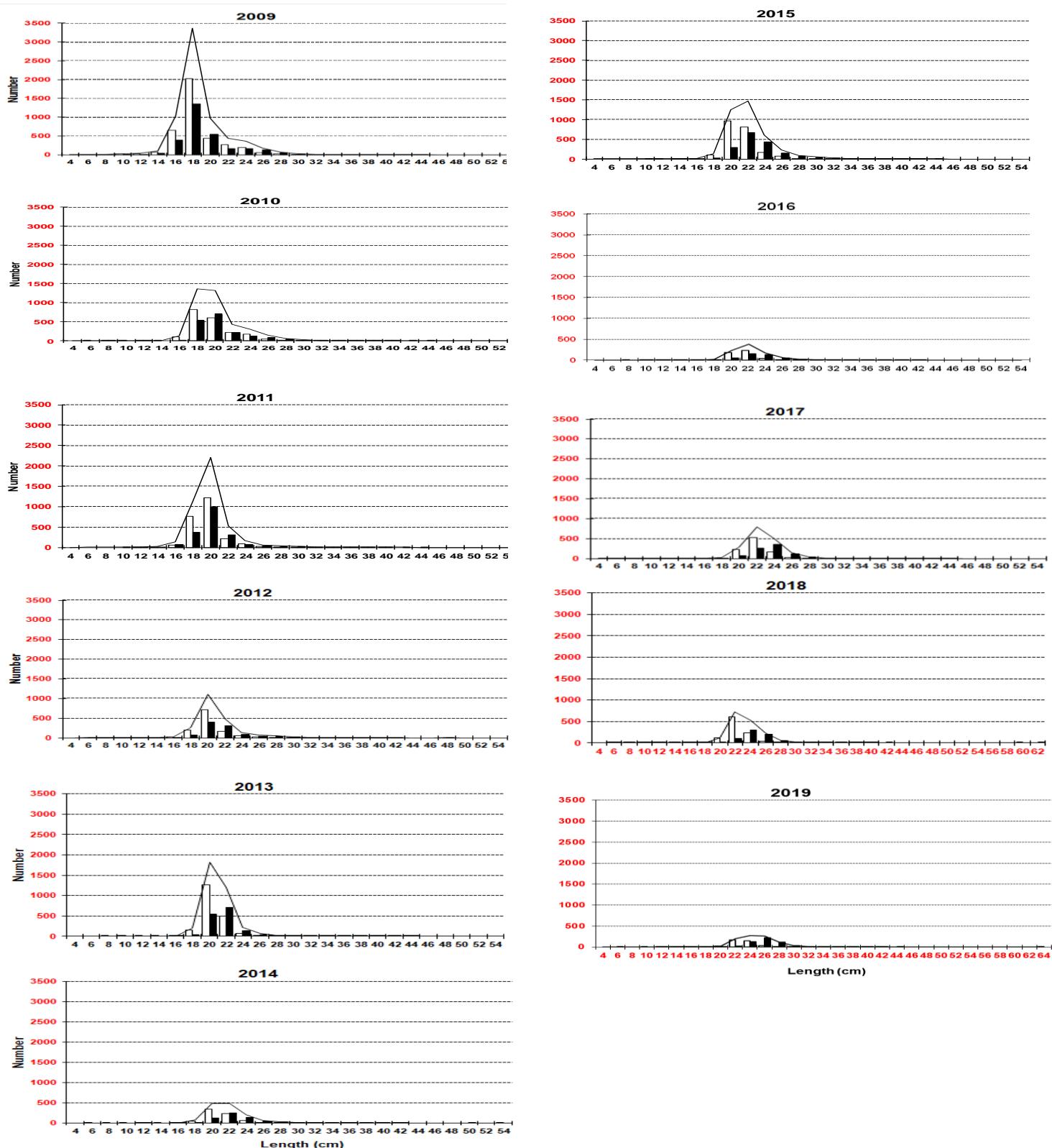
**Figure 8.** Redfish biomass calculated by the swept area method in tons by year and Division. Spanish Spring surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 1997-2019.



**Figure 9.** Redfish mean catches per tow by length (cm) on NAFO 3NO: 1997-2019. Data from 2015 to 2019 are in Table 14; the data for 1997-2014 can be seen in SCR Doc 15/08.

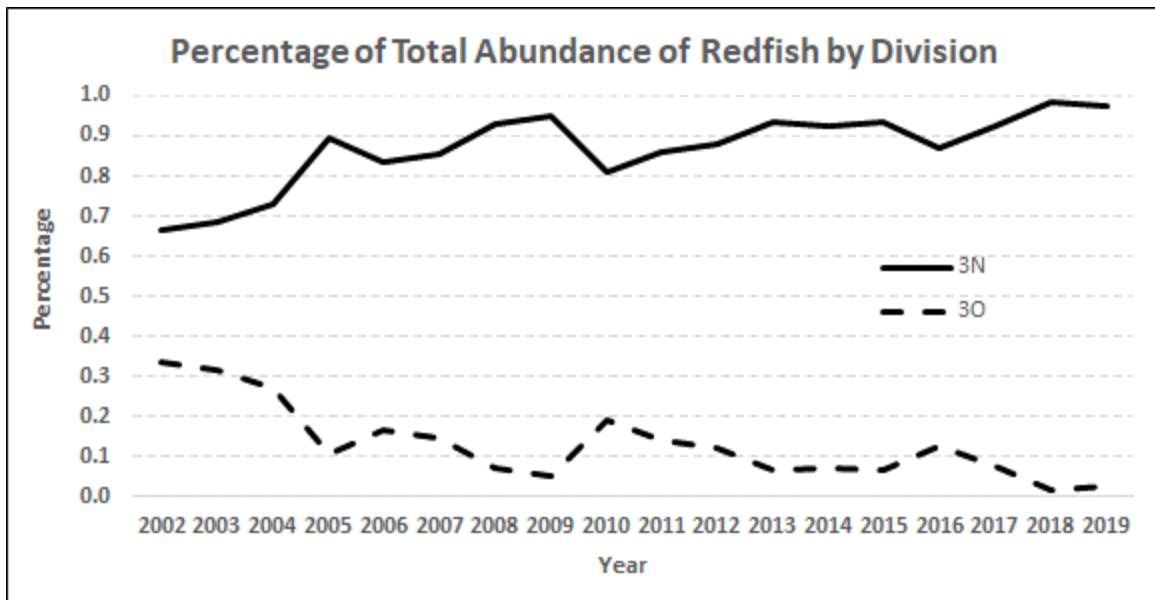


**Figure 10.** Redfish length distribution (cm) on NAFO 3NO: 1997-2019. Mean numbers per tow. Data from 2015 to 2019 are in Table 14; the data for 1997-2014 can be seen in SCR Doc 15/08. The 2010-2019 graphs have a different y-axis upper limit.

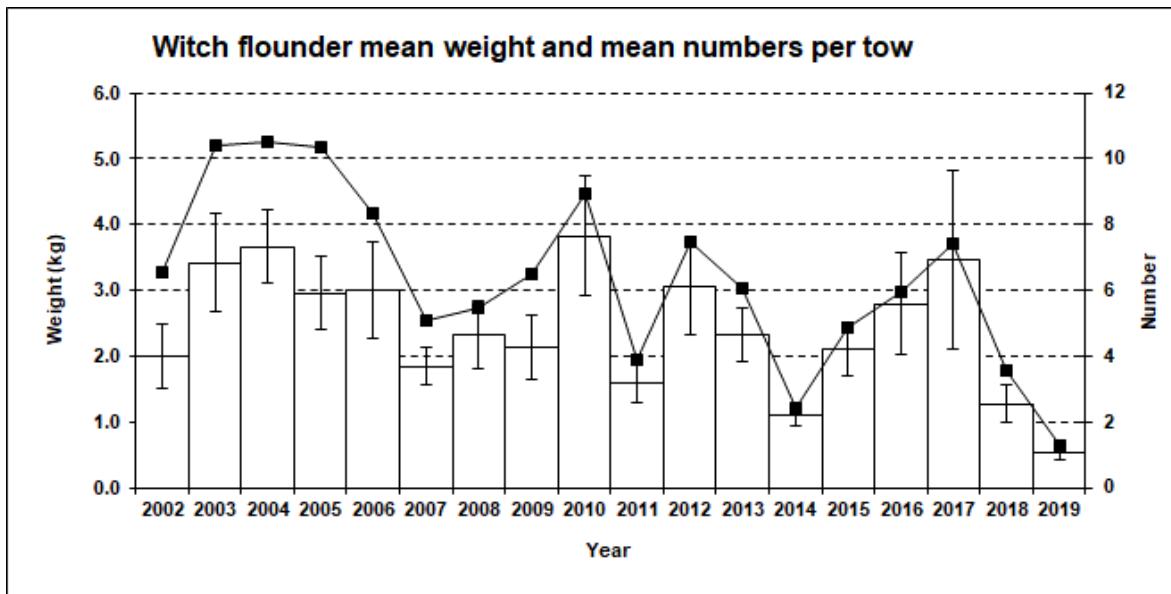


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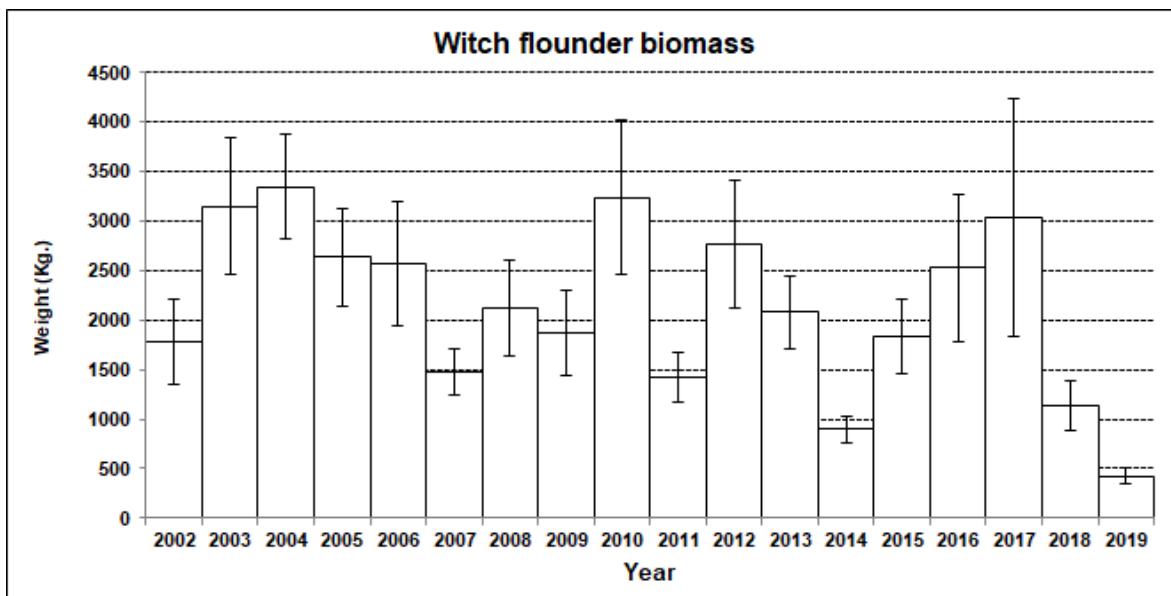




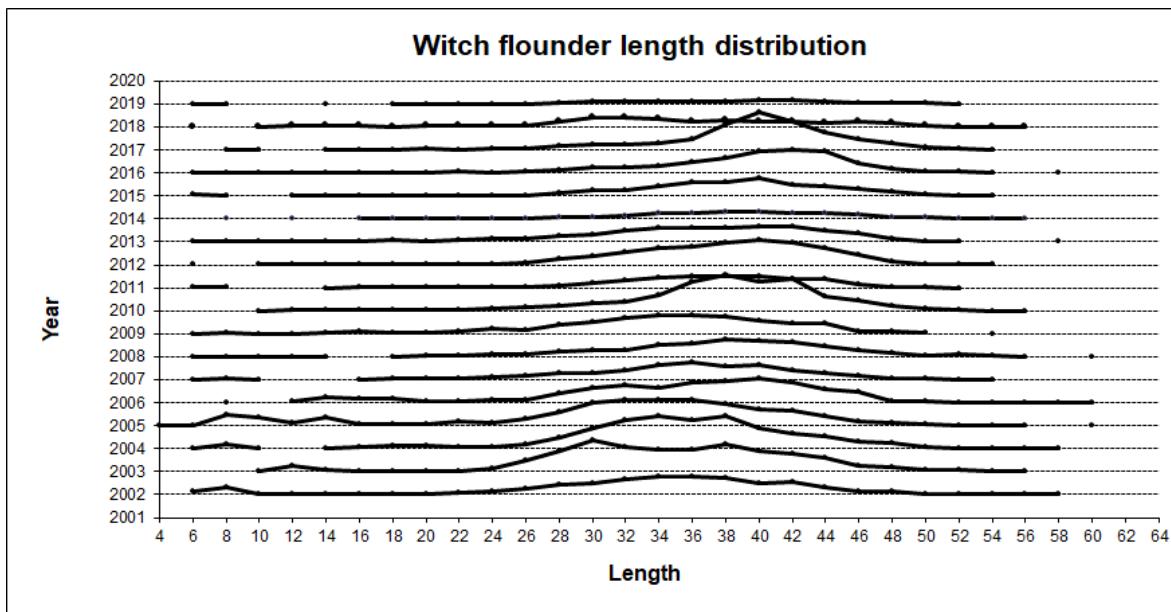
**Figure 11.** Redfish percentage of total abundance by Division and year. Spanish Spring surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2002-2019.



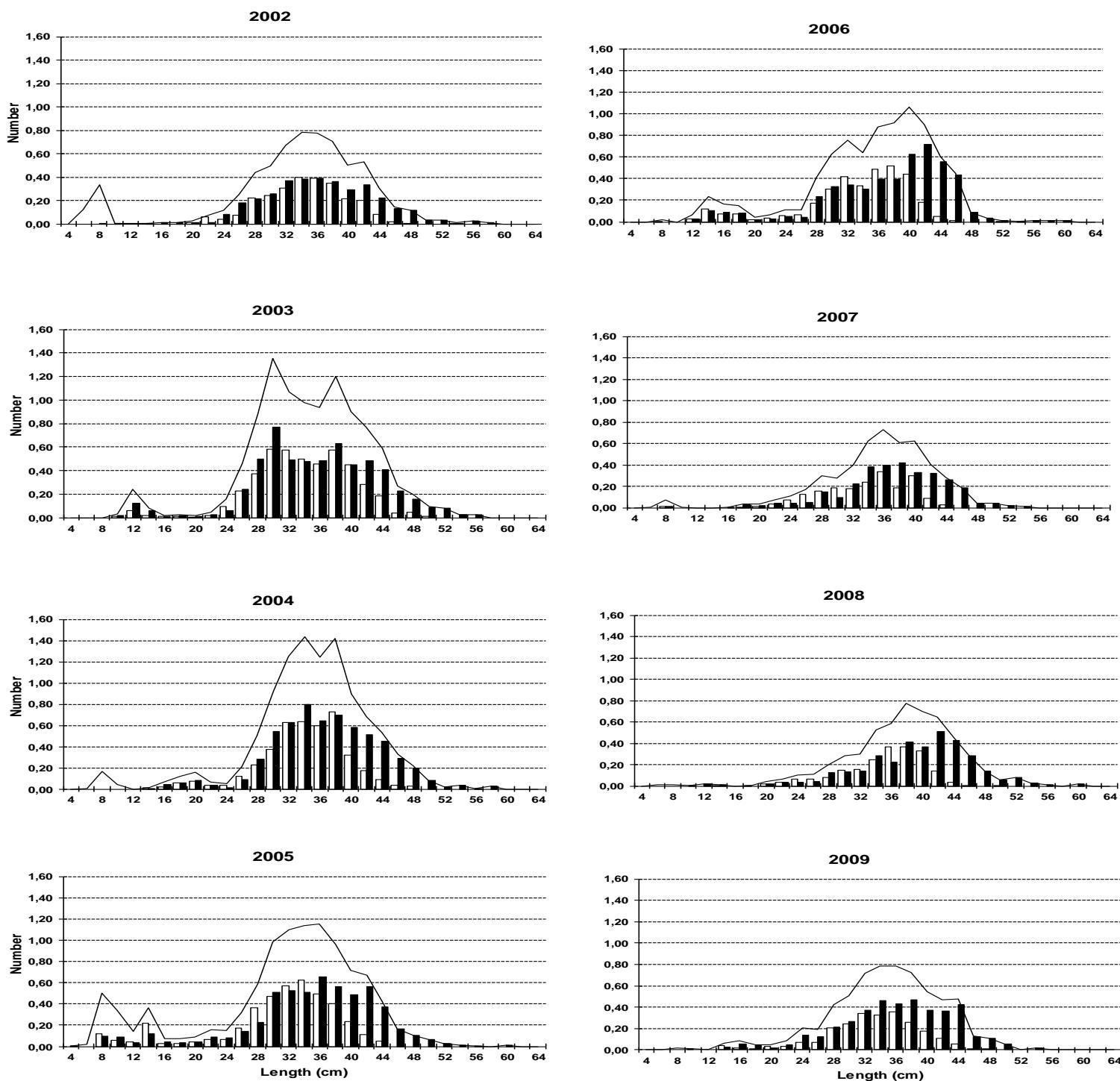
**Figure 12.** Witch flounder stratified mean catches in Kg and  $\pm$ SD by year and mean number by year. Spanish Spring surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2002-2019.



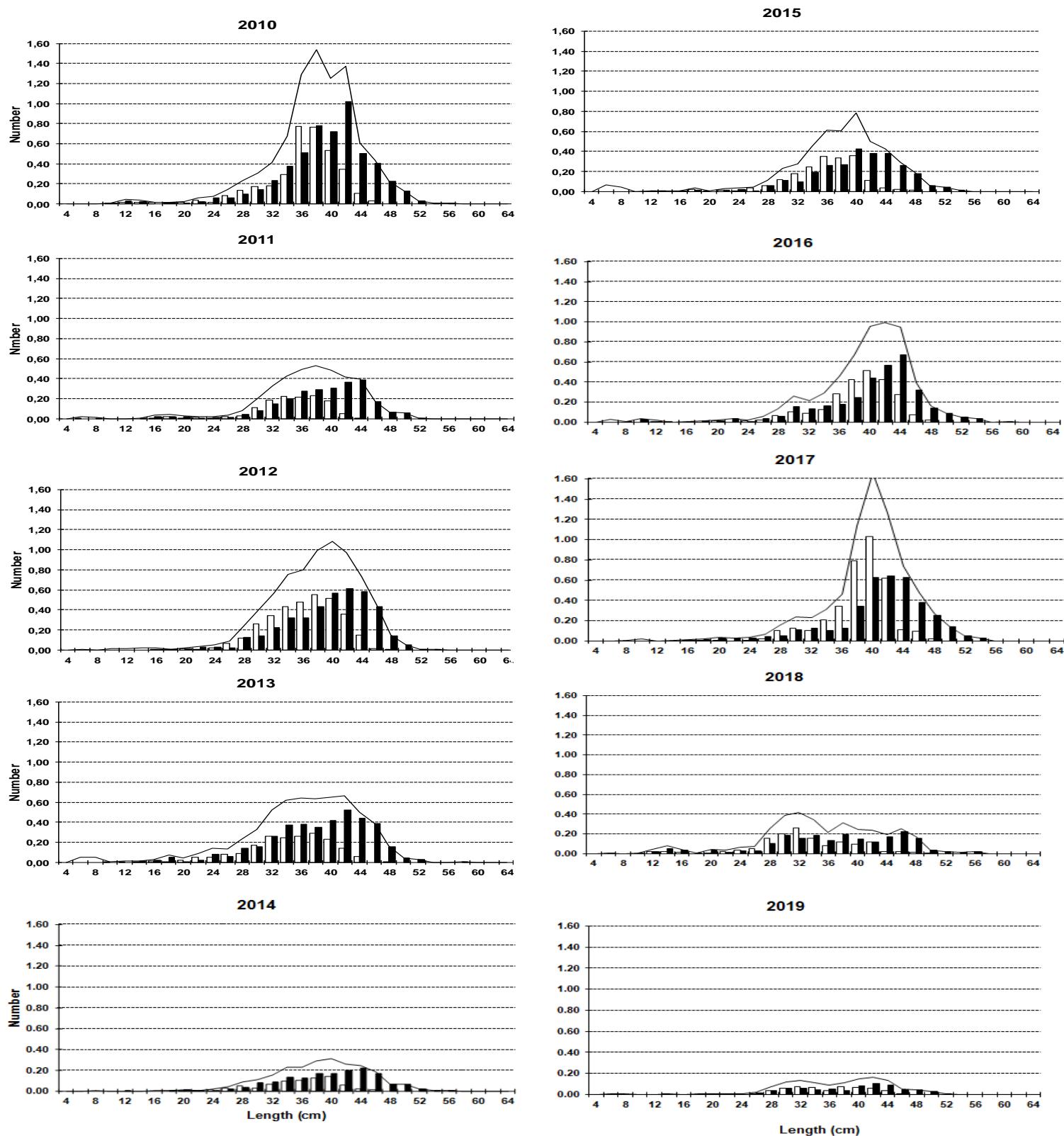
**Figure 13.** Witch flounder biomass calculated by the swept area method in tons and  $\pm$ SD by year. Spanish Spring surveys in NAFO Div. 3NO: 2002-2019.



**Figure 14.** Witch flounder mean number per tow by length (cm) on NAFO 3NO: 2002-2019. Data from 2015 to 2019 are in Table 19; data for 2002-2014 can be seen in SCR Doc 15/08.



**Figure 15.** Witch flounder length distribution (cm) on NAFO 3NO: 2002-2019. Mean numbers per tow. Data from 2015 to 2019 are in Table 19; data for 2002-2014 can be seen in SCR Doc 15/08.



**Figure 15 (cont.).** Witch flounder length distribution (cm) on NAFO 3NO: 2002-2019. Mean numbers per tow. Data from 2015 to 2019 are in Table 19; data for 2002-2014 can be seen in SCR Doc 15/08.