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Updated updated length-frequency data for the Peruvian jack mackerel stock (far-north stock) in Peruvian jurisdictional waters

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Introduction

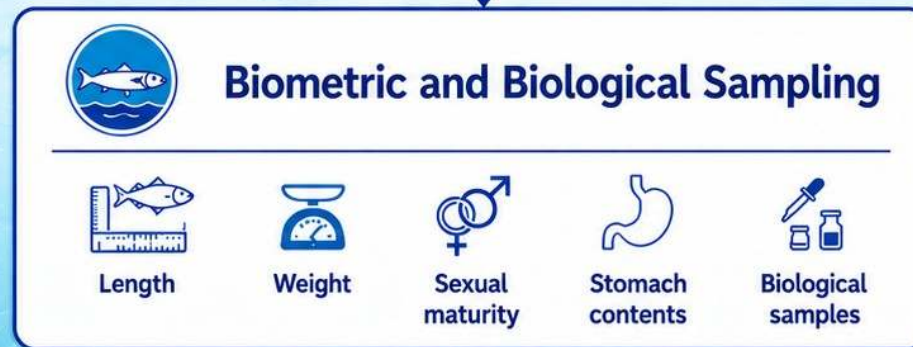
MONITORING OF THE FISHERY OF THE MAIN PELAGIC RESOURCES

Collection of biological and fishery information



Pelagic Fisheries Monitoring Program

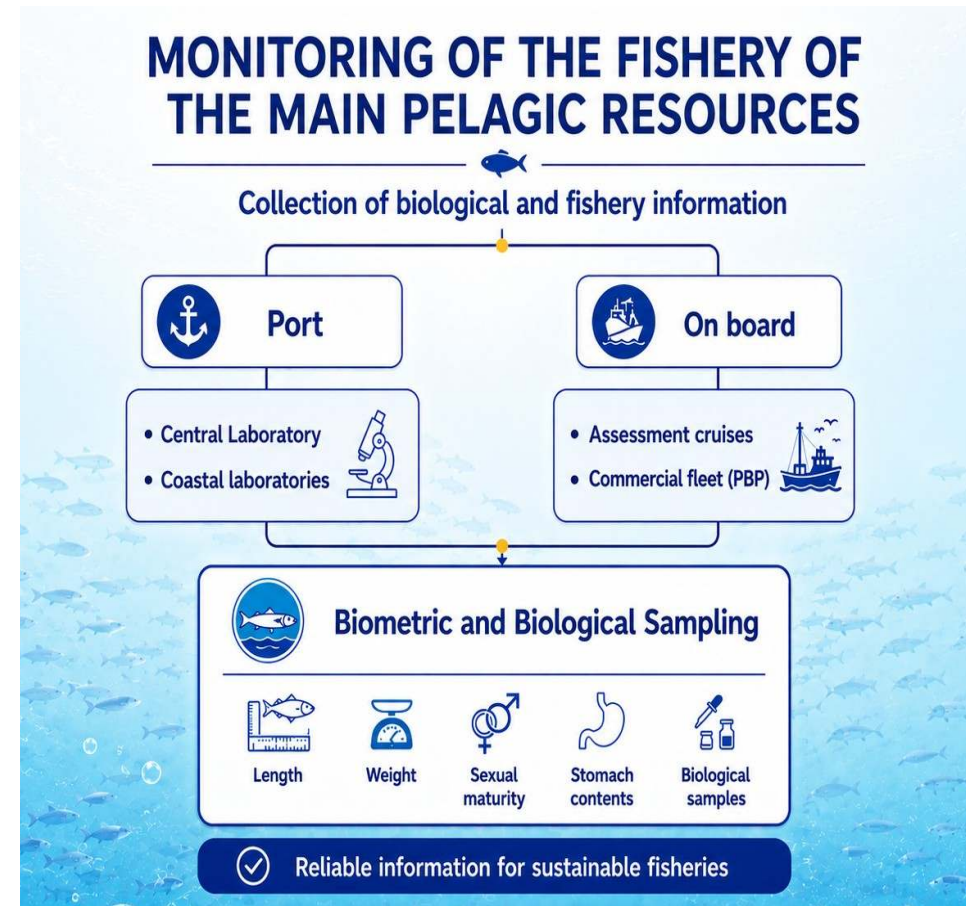
Onboard Observer Program for the Purse Seine Fleet (PBP)



Reliable information for sustainable fisheries

Introduction

- IMARPE monitors Peru's pelagic fisheries resources
- Historical data stored in IMARSIS (Scientific and Technological Information System of IMARPE)
- IMARPE has developed processes for reviewing, retrieving, integrating, and consolidating historical records from various sources and storage formats.



Objectives



OBJECTIVE 1

Describe the primary data sources used to generate the updated biometric database for the Peruvian jack mackerel stock (the far-north stock).



Port sampling programs



Commercial fishery records



Historical biometric databases



OBJECTIVE 2

Present the weighting process applied to derive jack mackerel length-composition data from the updated information.



Data standardization and quality control



Stratification by area, fleet, and time period



Sample weighting by catch proportions



Construction of weighted length-frequency data



OBJECTIVE 3

Assess the impact of the updated information on stock assessment within Peruvian jurisdictional waters using the JJM model.



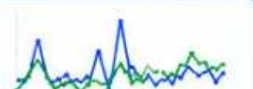
Run scenarios: JJM model (baseline vs updated)



Compare biomass estimates



Evaluate recruitment patterns



Implications for fishery management and recommendations



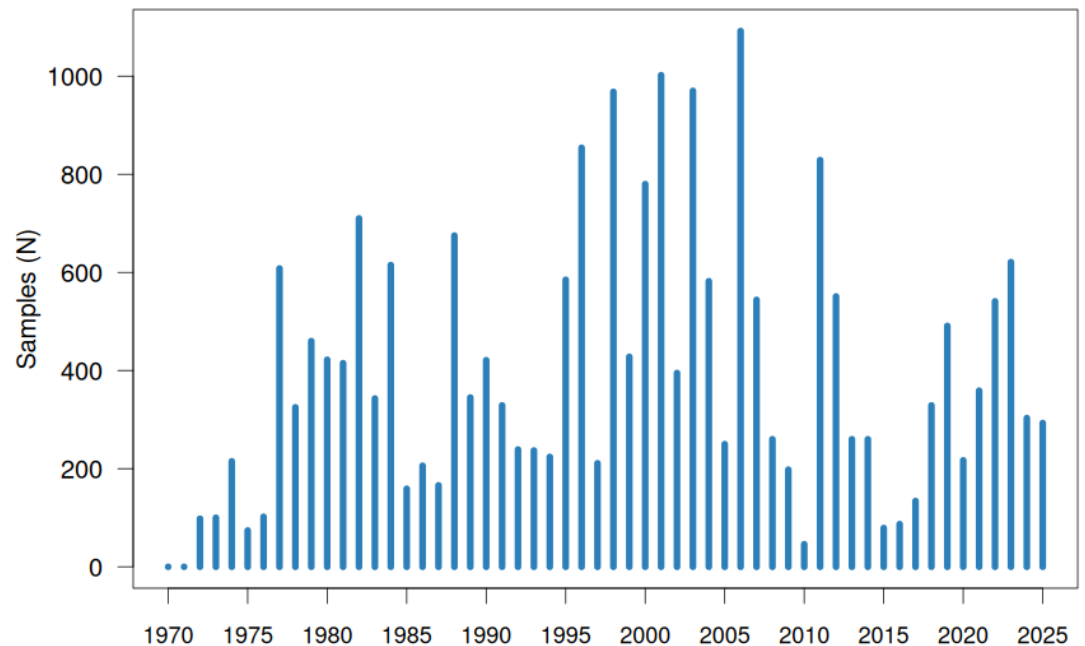
Materials and methods

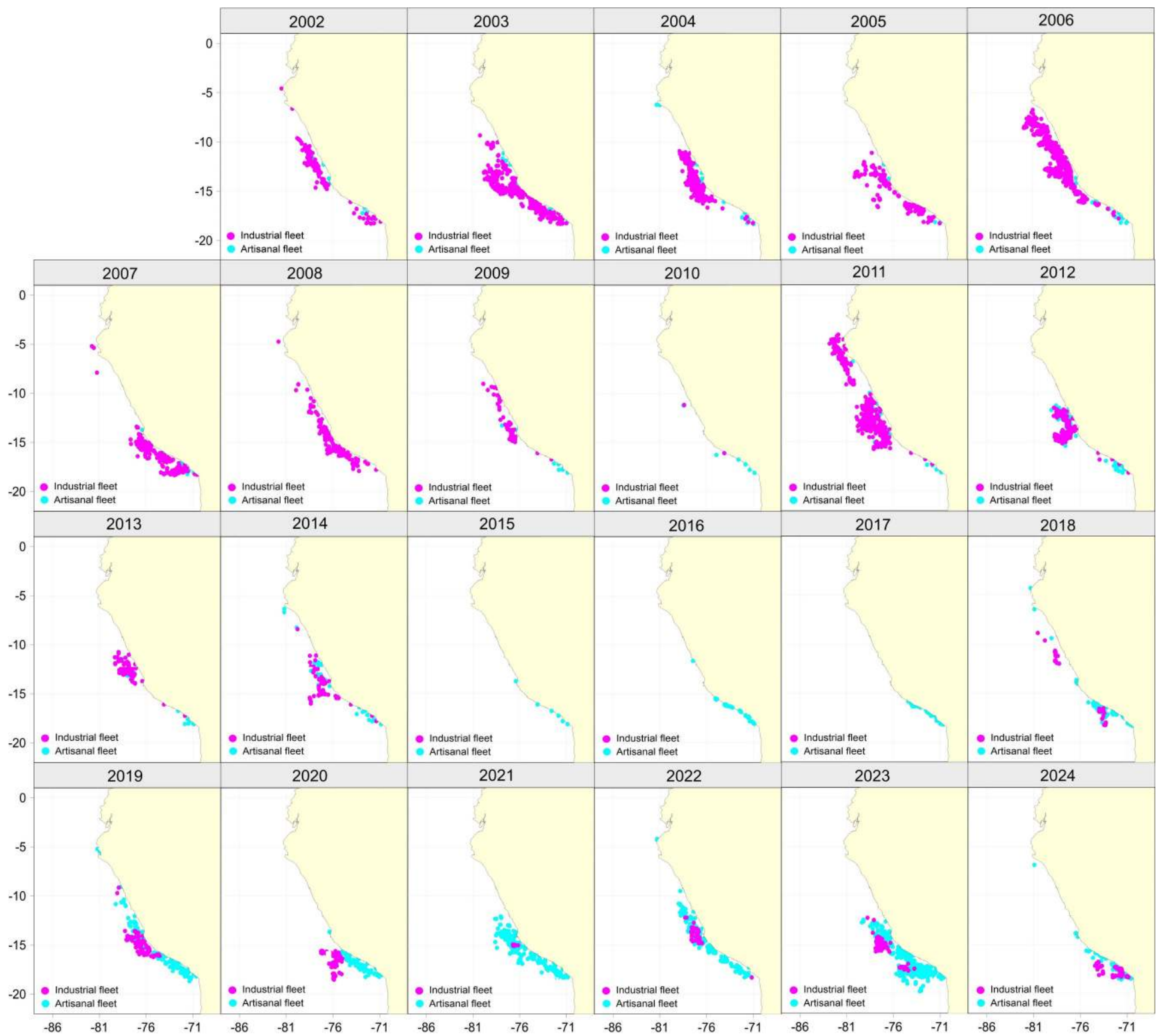
1. Data sources:

- Length-frequency database (IMARSIS)
- Additional information obtained for a review, validation and retrieval of records.
- Period: 1972-2025
- Purse seine fleet (artisanal, small scale and industrial fleet)



N° 22 007 (sampling events)





Materials and methods

2. Weighting procedure:

- W at the catch of fishing trip.

Monthly “a” and “b” (SCW16 – Doc13)

- W at the monthly landings by fleet

Two main vessel groups [hold capacity < 36.2 and $hc \geq 36.2$]

Monthly landings: Pelagic Fisheries Monitoring Programme (IMARPE)

[1970 industrial landing & 1997 artisanal fleet]

- W at the annual landings

Statistical yearbooks of PRODUCE

Materials and methods

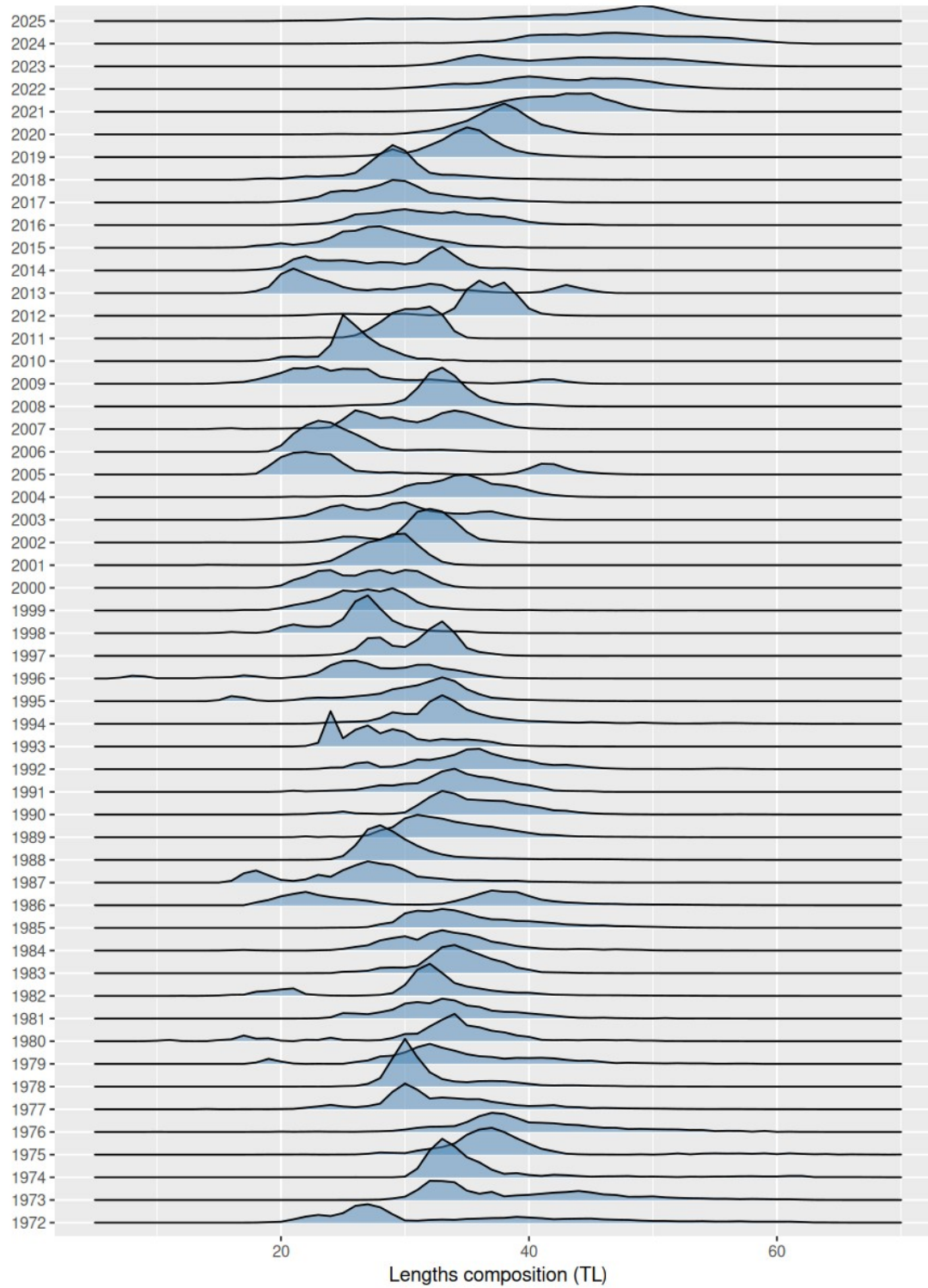
3. Use of the updated length-frequency data on the SA

Model	Description
Data update	
model 0.0	As 2025 assessment (information up to November 2025, catch-at-length data for 1980-2025, length bins 10-70, data and parameters on TL)
model 0.1	As in model 0.0 but with updated catch and catch at length (up to December 2025)
Effect of updated length-frequency	
mod 1.0	As model 0.1
mod 1.1	As model 1.0 but with the updated length composition data (catch-at-length data for 1972-2025, length bins 5-90, data and parameters on TL)
Comparison of metrics	
mod 2.0	As model 1.1
mod 2.1	As model 2.0 but using the metric of FL for configuration and data

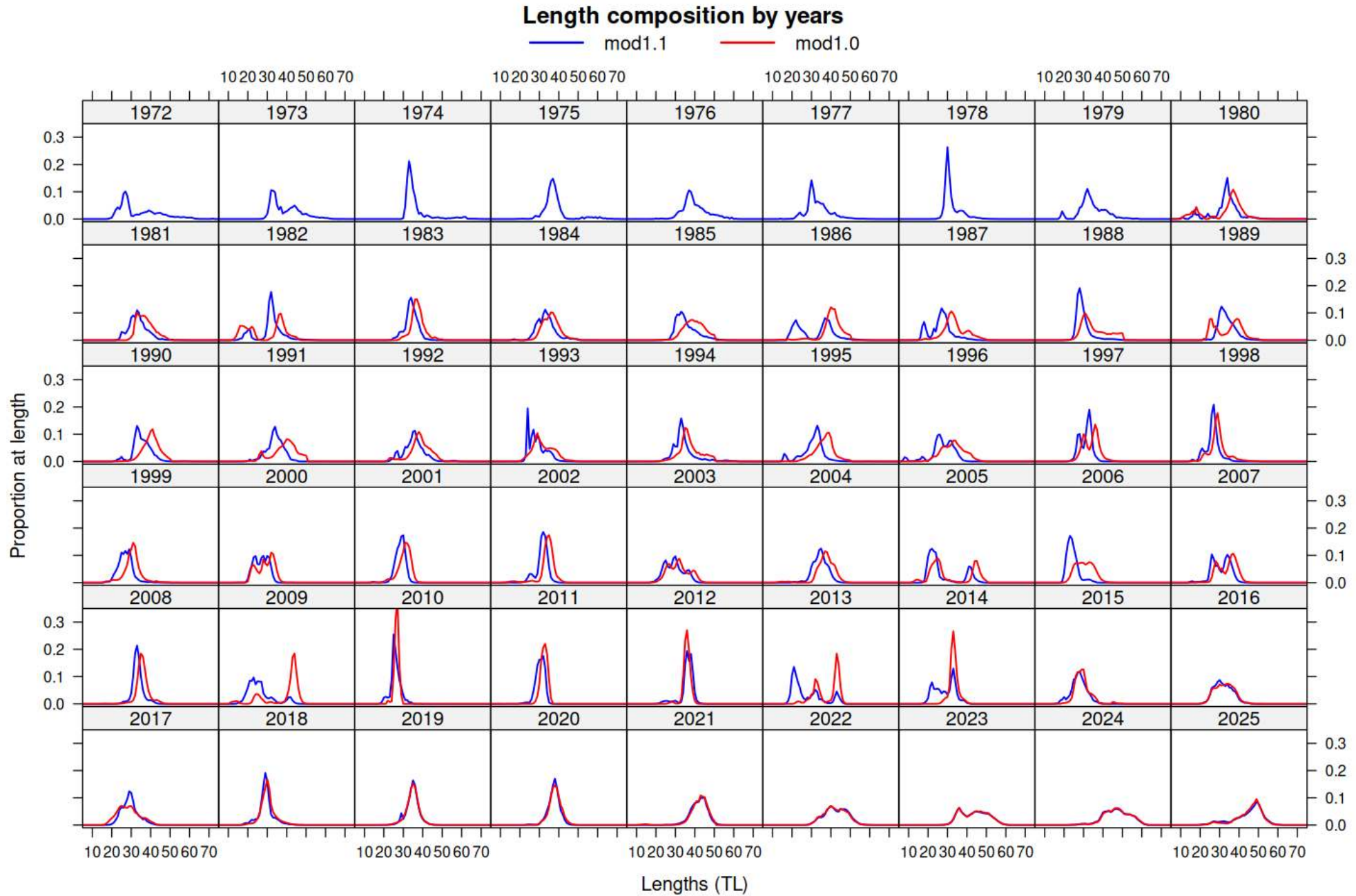
$$TL_{cm} = 0.514 + 1.091 FL_{cm}$$

(Cubillos and Arancibia 2005)

Results

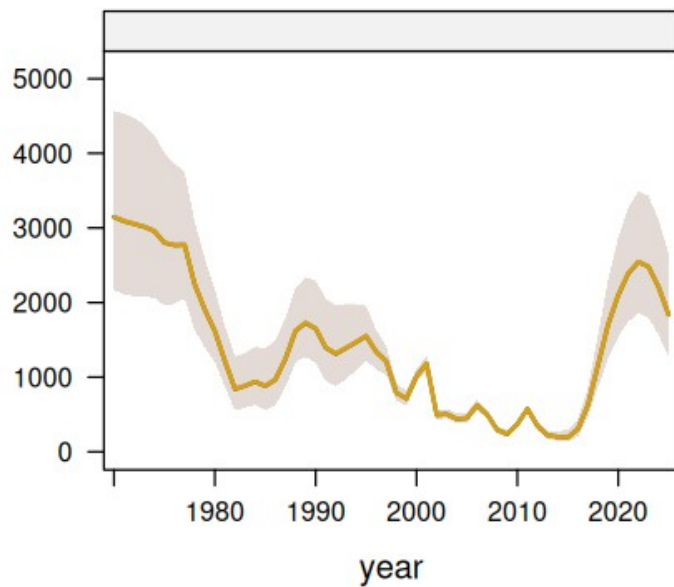


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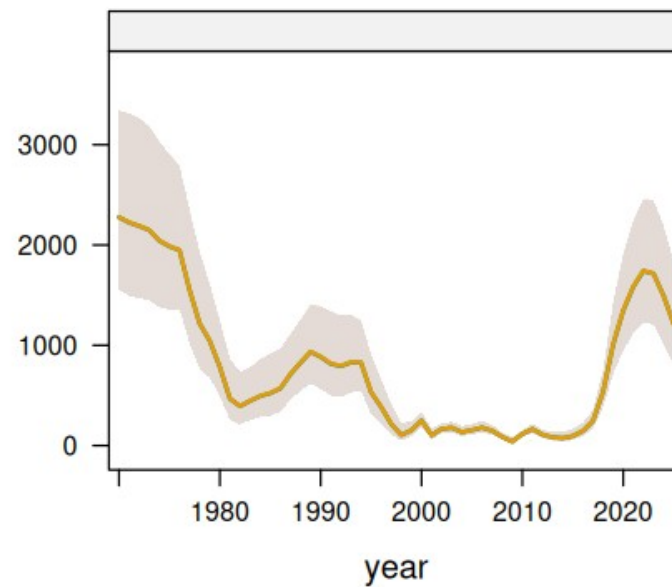
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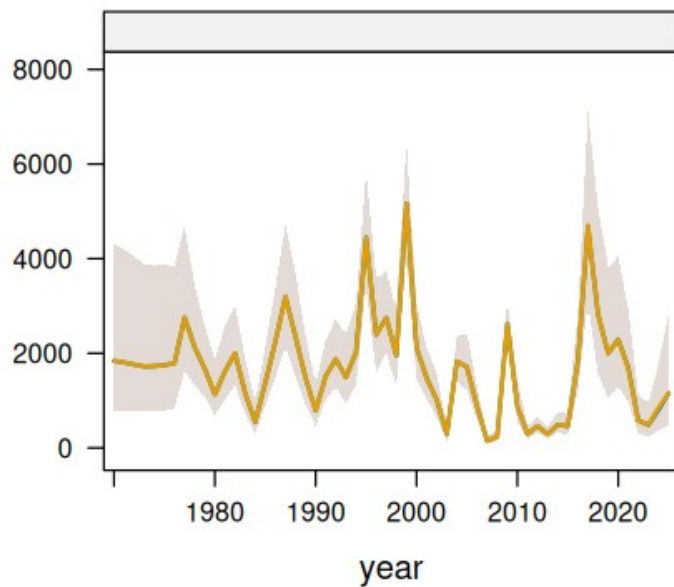
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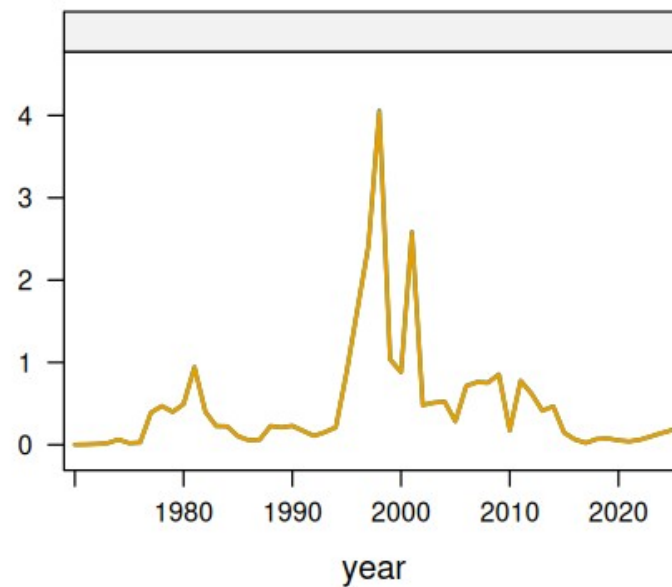
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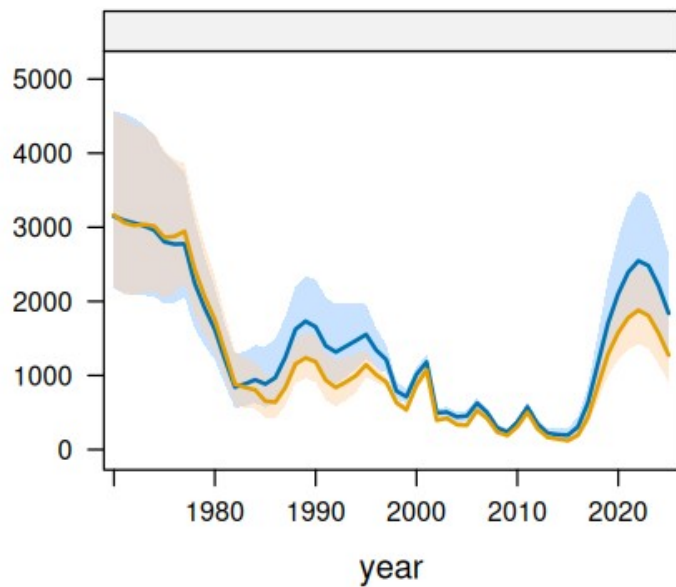
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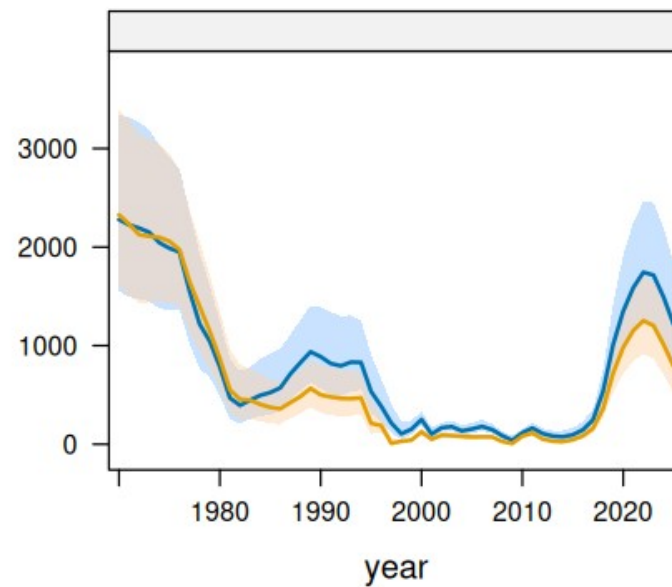
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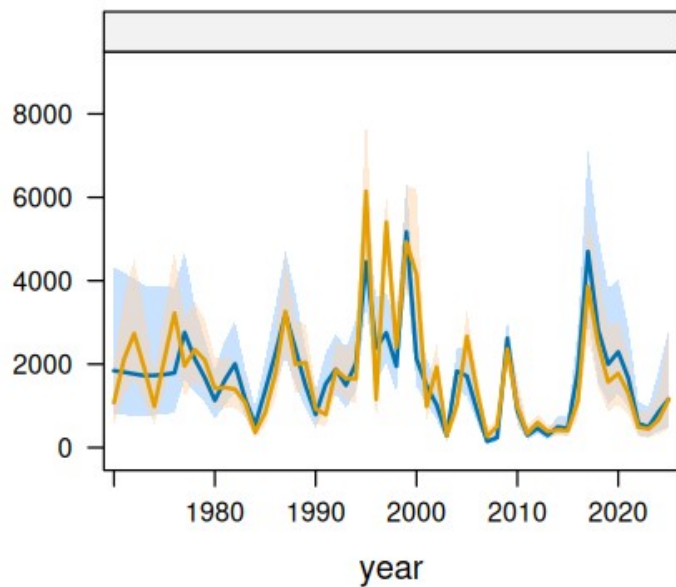
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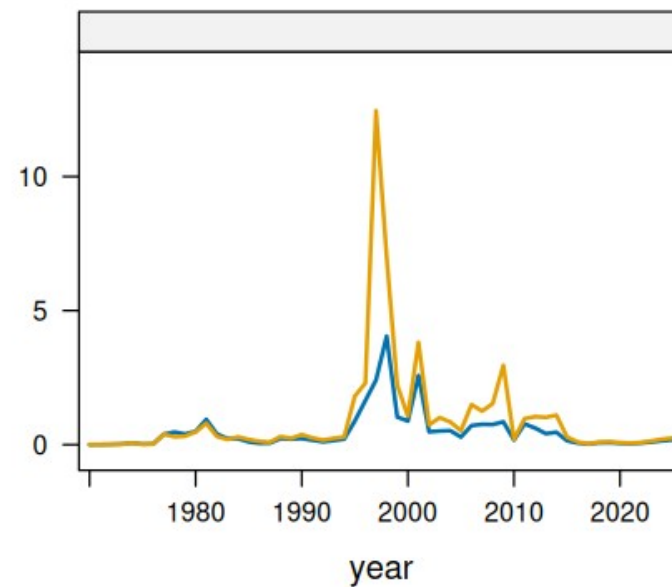
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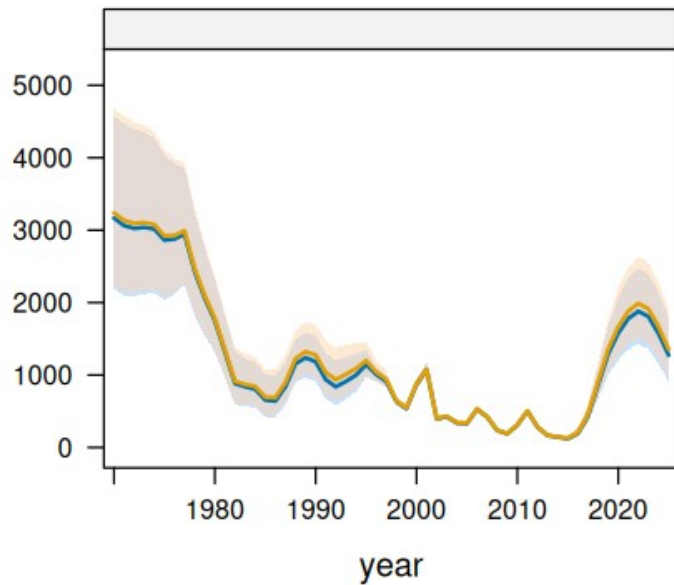
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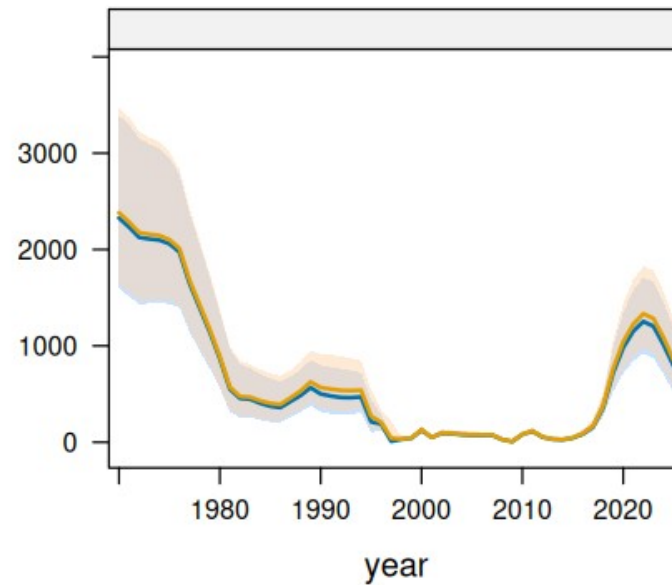
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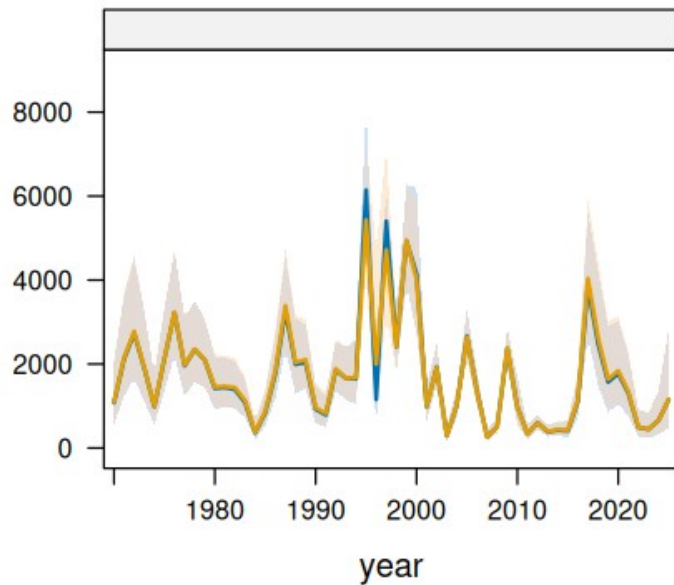
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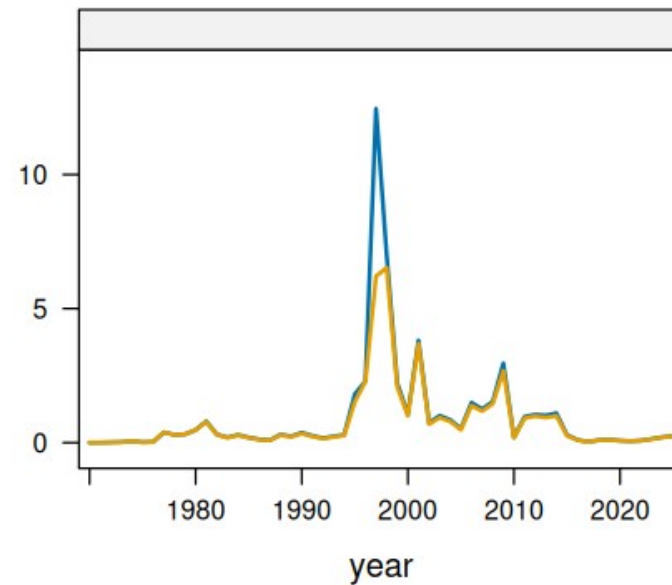
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Likelihoods

	mod0.0	mod0.1	mod1.0	mod1.1	mod2.0	mod2.1
catch_like	0.93	0.93	0.93	1.99	1.99	2.13
age_like_fsh	0	0	0	0	0	0
length_like_fsh	452.32	451.74	451.74	514.38	514.38	500.69
sel_like_fsh	11.6	11.6	11.6	17.04	17.04	16.12
ind_like	58.07	58.09	58.09	73.95	73.95	76.38
age_like_ind	0	0	0	0	0	0
length_like_ind	0	0	0	0	0	0
sel_like_ind	0	0	0	0	0	0
rec_like	26.75	26.56	26.56	30.33	30.33	28.36
fpen	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.35	0.35	0.17
post_priors_indq	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.05
post_priors	0	0	0	0	0	0
residual	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.13	0.13	0.13
total	549.96	549.2	549.2	638.22	638.22	624.02

Concluding remarks:

- This work presents the progress made in retrieving and reviewing jack mackerel data, with ongoing validation efforts aimed at improving data consistency and supporting the use of the best available scientific information.
- The new standardized length-frequency database extended the time series and improved data consistency.
- Lower population indicator estimates (B and SSB for the current period), although the apparent overestimation of fishing mortality (F) when using FL instead of TL still requires further investigation.
- We recommend using total length (TL) as the official metric for jack mackerel assessments in the SPRFMO far-north fleet to ensure consistency with Peru's original size data and growth estimates, thereby reducing potential biases from metric conversions.

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