

WESTERN ATLANTIC BLUEFIN TUNA VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS UPDATED DATA INPUTS AND MODEL SPECIFICATIONS

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SUMMARY

This report documents the western Atlantic bluefin tuna updated data inputs and virtual population analysis parameterization for the 2020 update assessment. The assessment team reviewed the catches-at-size, estimated the catches-at-age, and revised the model input files in accordance with the specifications of the Species Group work plan. The updated assessment files are available on the bluefin tuna work group meeting cloud and attached here as appendices.

RÉSUMÉ

Ce rapport documente les entrées de données actualisées sur le thon rouge de l'Atlantique Ouest et le paramétrage de l'analyse de la population virtuelle pour la mise à jour de l'évaluation de 2020. L'équipe d'évaluation a examiné les prises par taille, a estimé les prises par âge et a révisé les fichiers d'entrée des modèles conformément aux spécifications du plan de travail du Groupe d'espèces. Les fichiers d'évaluation actualisés sont disponibles sur le cloud de la réunion du Groupe d'espèces sur le thon rouge et sont joints ici en appendices.

RESUMEN

Este informe documenta las entradas de datos actualizadas del atún rojo del Atlántico occidental y la parametrización del análisis de población virtual para la evaluación actualizada de 2020. El equipo de evaluación revisó las capturas por talla, estimó las capturas por edad y revisó los archivos de entrada del modelo de conformidad con las especificaciones del plan de trabajo del Grupo de especies. Los archivos de la evaluación actualizada están disponibles en la nube de la reunión del grupo de especies de atún rojo y se adjuntan aquí como apéndices.

KEYWORDS

Stock assessment, bluefin tuna, West Atlantic

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1. Introduction

The stock assessment of West Atlantic bluefin tuna (WBFT) applied a virtual population analysis (VPA) as one of two principal models for estimating fishery status and providing catch projections. The most recent WBFT benchmark assessment occurred during 2017. Bluefin tuna biological knowledge, available datasets, and data processing methods were evaluated by the Bluefin Tuna Species Workgroup (herein Group) of the Standing Committee on Research and Statistics (SCRS) to select base model parameterization and compile a list of sensitivity analyses. Recently, the Group outlined a set of specifications for updating the base VPA in the 2020 work plan. Specifically, ICCAT (2019) provided the guidelines to the update “*The same model parameter settings (F-ratio) and variance scaling will be used for VPA and the same model structure will be used for Stock Synthesis. The BFT Species Group will also do standard diagnostic of models and if problems arise they will be dealt with appropriately. This gives the modelers the ability to handle problems/issues that can arise when things are changed. For continuity a model with data up to 2015 (mimic 2017 end date) and then up-to 2018 (new time)*”. This report summarizes the data updates and VPA settings for methods documentation of the assessment update.

2. Methods

2.1 VPA methods overview

The assessment team implemented the following updates to the VPA of WBFT:

- Updated catch-at-age, partial catch-at-age and indices of abundance data inputs up to and including 2018
- Corrected partial-catch-at-age of the Japanese longline fleet
- Conducted a sensitivity run removing the 2018 data point of the Gulf of St Lawrence acoustic survey

Base model configuration summary:

- Model years ranged 1974 to 2018
- Catch-at-age (CAA) derived by cohort slicing the total catch-at-size (CAS) estimates (provided by the Secretariat) using the Richards growth model (Ailloud *et al.* 2017)
- plusgroup included ages 16 and older
- Natural mortality assumed a weight-based Lorenzen model scaled to equal 0.1 for oldest ageclass:
Age1 M = 0.38, Age2 M = 0.30, Age3 M = 0.24, Age4 M = 0.20, Age5 M = 0.18, Age6 M = 0.16, Age7 M = 0.14, Age8 M = 0.13, Age9 M = 0.12, Age10 M = 0.12, Age11 M = 0.11, Age12 M = 0.11, Age13 M = 0.11, Age 14+ M = 0.10
- Fisheries-dependent indices of abundance included:
 - US rod and reel <145 cm, 1980-1992
 - US rod and reel 66 to 114 cm, 1993-2018
 - US rod and reel 115 to 144 cm, 1993-2018
 - US rod and reel >195 cm, 1983-1992
 - US longline Gulf of Mexico, 1992-2018
 - Japan longline Gulf of Mexico, 1974-1981
 - Japan longline Area 2 West, 1976-2009
 - Japan longline recent, 2010-2018
- Fisheries-independent surveys included:
 - Gulf of St Lawrence acoustic survey, 1994-2018
 - Gulf of Mexico larval survey, 1977-2018
- Index variance settings included input CV weighting of fishery-dependent indices of abundance with additive variance parameters estimated in the VPA, and fixed input CV=0.3 for fishery-independent indices of abundance
- Random-walk estimation of Japanese longline annual selectivity and catchability
- F-ratio (annual F of plusgroup/F of age 15) set equal to 1.0
- No constraints on recruitment or spawn-recruitment relationship

The team outlined the following sensitivity analyses for model diagnostics, consistent with the previous assessment and 2020 workplan:

- an index of abundance jackknife where each index series is iteratively removed from the VPA
- a 10-year retrospective analysis to evaluate the effects of removing recent years data
- parametric bootstrap of the index data based on defined variances
- jitter analysis of model parameter starting seed
- age-plusgroup F-ratio parameter profiling

The Secretariat provided the CAS data during April, and the CAA was estimated based on cohort slicing using the AgeIT R-script, consistent with the 2017 assessment. CAA and mean weight-at-age estimates were compared with the 2017 base model inputs for validation of estimation methods replication (**Figures 1 and 2**). The aged output file from AgeIT was summarized by fleet and gear to generate partial CAA corresponding to the indices of abundance, following the restrictions on sizes, areas, and month specified during the 2017 assessment. The indices of abundance were reviewed and adopted for inclusion in the VPA during the 2019 SCRS Species Group meeting, and no revisions occurred to the indices since that time. The filter criteria applied to the Japan longline partial CAA was corrected to exclude catches from other flags in the BFT Area 52W. The final CAA and partial CAA matrices are provided with the other data inputs to the VPA in **Appendix A**.

A continuity model was constructed using the same set of indices and model specifications used in the 2017 VPA base-case assessment. The data, parameter, and control files for the continuity model (young and older spawning assumptions) were posted to the assessment server and are provided here (young spawn scenario) in **Appendices A, B, and C**, respectively.

2.2 VPA general specifications

The oldest age class represented a plus group (ages 16 and older) and the fishing mortality rate on that age is specified as the product of the fishing mortality rate on the next younger age (F_{15}) and an ‘F-ratio’ parameter that represents the ratio of F_{16} to F_{15} . For the 2017 base models, the F-ratio was fixed equal to 1.0 for the entire period. This assumption was maintained in this update.

The fishing mortality rates for each age in the last year of the VPA (except the oldest age) were estimated as free parameters, but subject to a constraint restricting the amount of change in the vulnerability pattern during the terminal three years with a standard deviation of 0.5 (see SCRS/2008/089 for more details).

The indices of abundance were fitted assuming a lognormal error structure and input CV weighting (i.e., the coefficient of variation estimated from each index standardization model). Additive variance coefficients were estimated by fleet/gear group for fishery dependent indices of abundance. The catchability coefficients for each index, with exception of the Japan longline index, were assumed constant over the series duration, and estimated by the corresponding concentrated likelihood formula. A random walk of Japan longline selectivity was applied to allow for cohort targeting, consistent with the 2017 base model.

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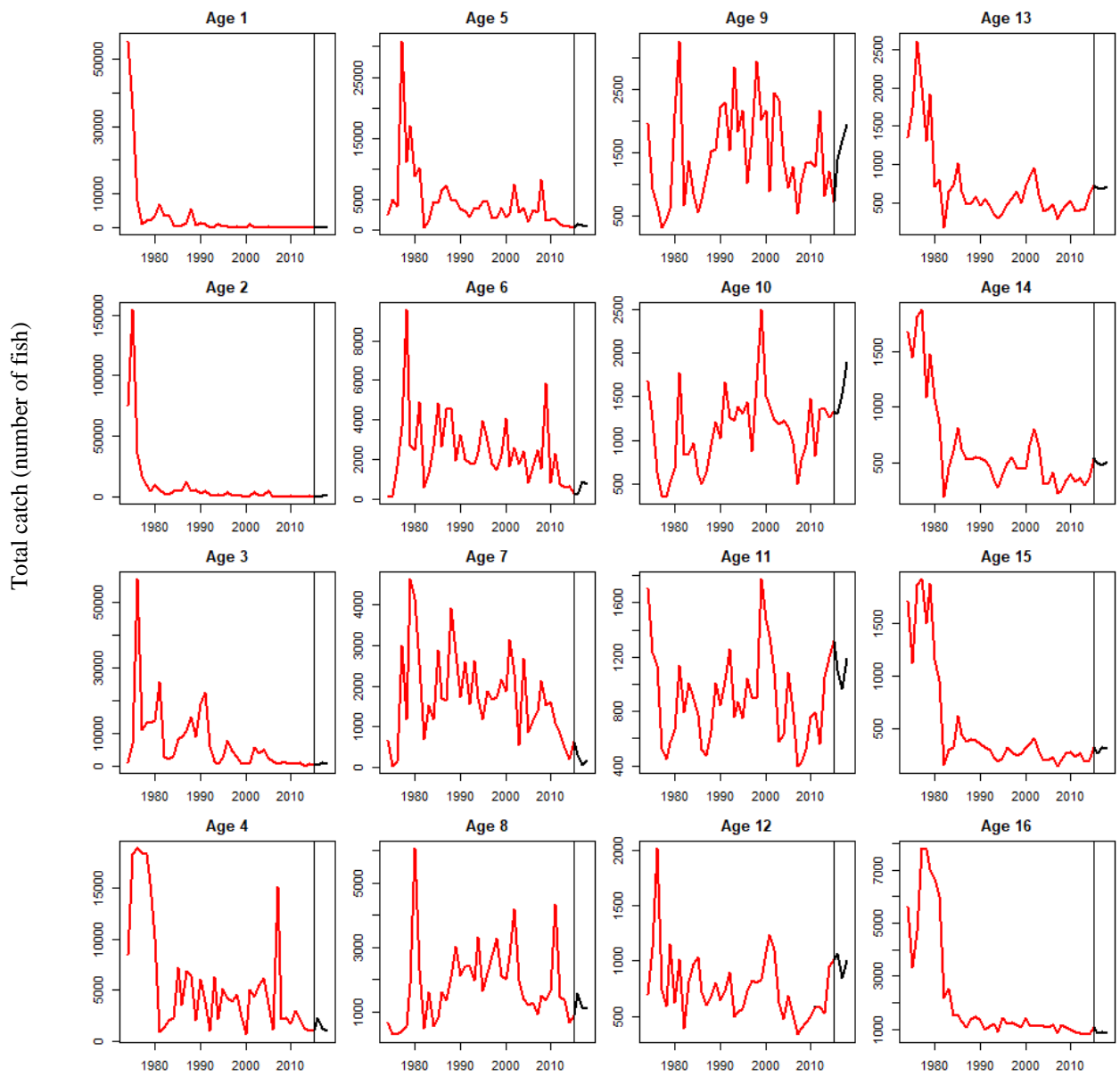


Figure 1. Comparison of catch-at-age estimates between the 2017 base model input (red lines) and the 2020 update (black lines). The vertical line marks the terminal year of the 2017 assessment data.

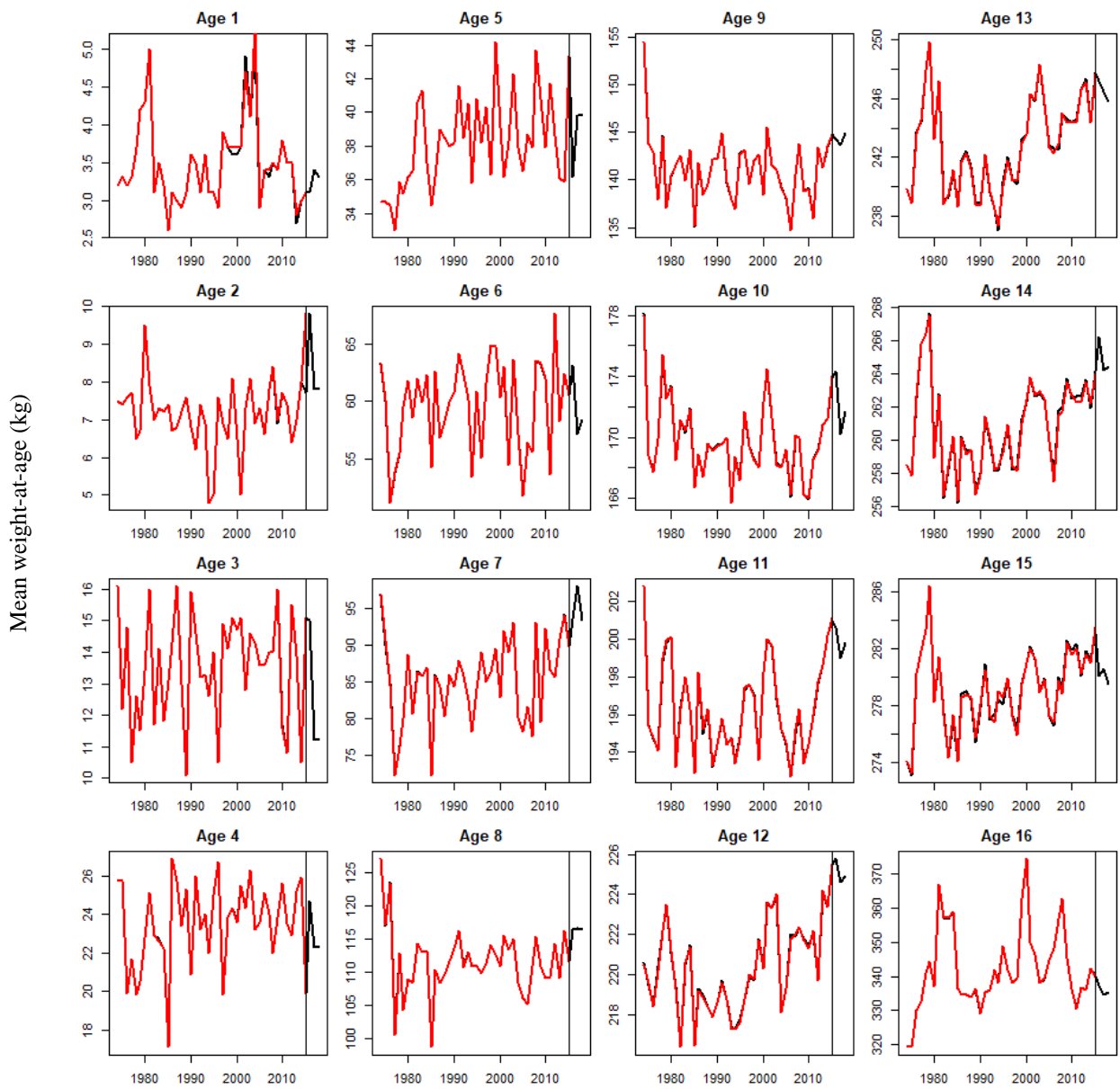


Figure 2. Comparison of weight-at-age estimates between the 2017 base model input (red lines) and the 2020 update (black lines). The vertical line marks the terminal year of the 2017 assessment data.

Appendix A VPA 2-box data file

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# DATA FILE FOR PROGRAM VPA-2BOX, Version 4.1
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# The data and specifications are entered in the order indicated
#
# by the existing comments. Additional comments must be preceded by a # symbol
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# in the first column, otherwise the line is perceived as free format input.
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6          SPAWNING SEASON (elapsed months, 0 is beginning of year)
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10	1982	0.79	0.28	'JLL_AREA_2_(WEST)'
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10	1992	1.09	0.27	'JLL_AREA_2_(WEST)'
10	1993	0.98	0.27	'JLL_AREA_2_(WEST)'
10	1994	0.90	0.27	'JLL_AREA_2_(WEST)'
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14	1994	0.47	0.39	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	1995	0.44	0.39	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	1996	0.25	0.40	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	1997	0.47	0.36	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	1998	0.50	0.37	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	1999	0.84	0.33	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2000	1.25	0.33	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
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14	2005	0.82	0.34	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
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14	2008	1.79	0.33	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2009	1.46	0.35	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2010	1.23	0.34	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2011	1.10	0.48	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2012	3.41	0.37	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2013	1.23	0.42	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2014	0.96	0.44	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2015	1.02	0.47	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2016	1.11	0.47	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2017	0.82	0.48	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
14	2018	1.04	0.51	'GOM_PLL_1_6'
15	1974	0.97	0.27	'JLL_GOM'
15	1975	0.53	0.21	'JLL_GOM'
15	1976	0.67	0.21	'JLL_GOM'
15	1977	0.91	0.22	'JLL_GOM'
15	1978	0.88	0.23	'JLL_GOM'
15	1979	1.29	0.28	'JLL_GOM'
15	1980	1.16	0.27	'JLL_GOM'
15	1981	0.55	0.24	'JLL_GOM'
15	1982	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1983	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1984	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1985	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1986	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1987	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1988	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1989	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
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15	1991	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1992	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1993	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1994	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1995	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1996	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	1997	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
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15	2007	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
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15	2009	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	2010	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	2011	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	2012	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	2013	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	2014	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
15	2015	-999	-999	'JLL_GOM'
16	1974	0.64	0.21	'TAGGING'
16	1975	0.52	0.22	'TAGGING'
16	1976	0.48	0.23	'TAGGING'
16	1977	0.86	0.2	'TAGGING'
16	1978	0.62	0.22	'TAGGING'
16	1979	0.62	0.22	'TAGGING'
16	1980	0.82	0.2	'TAGGING'
16	1981	0.9	0.2	'TAGGING'
16	1982	-999	-999	'TAGGING'
16	1983	-999	-999	'TAGGING'

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16	2012	-999	-999	'TAGGING'
16	2013	-999	-999	'TAGGING'
16	2014	-999	-999	'TAGGING'
16	2015	-999	-999	'TAGGING'
17	1974	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	1975	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
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17	1982	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	1983	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	1984	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	1985	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
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17	2005	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2006	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2007	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2008	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2009	-999	-999	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2010	0.59	0.38	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2011	2.00	0.26	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2012	2.50	0.27	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2013	1.89	0.26	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2014	2.34	0.28	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2015	1.43	0.27	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2016	3.58	0.29	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2017	3.57	0.31	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'
17	2018	6.50	0.30	'JLL_AREA_2_RECENT'

-1 end index data

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NOW ENTER IN THE Vulnerabilities OR PARTIAL CATCHES FOR THE INDICES OF ABUNDANCE

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#INDEX	Year Age 12	Age 1 Age 13	Age 2 Age 14	Age 3 Age 15	Age 4 Age 16	Age 5	Age 6	Age 7	Age 8	Age 9	Age 10	Age 11
1	1984	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1985	0	0	0	665	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1986	0	0	0	316	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	1987	0	0	0	105	0	0	5	46	30	22	13
1	1988	0	0	0	31	0	1	45	385	250	183	108
1	1989	45	40	21	257	0	1	97	832	539	392	228
1	1990	91	84	43	529	0	1	6	148	673	621	191
1	1991	92	75	69	314	0	1	191	484	621	444	164
1	1992	121	82	61	263	0	7	102	258	275	363	292
1	1993	104	106	72	326	0	1	20	99	287	232	190
1	1994	99	61	73	494	0	7	52	158	193	269	180
1	1995	70	53	35	302	0	1	27	64	373	362	224
1	1996	97	85	64	638	0	1	39	85	109	244	259
1	1997	153	147	123	578	0	2	17	59	224	150	137
1	1998	125	101	82	574	0	11	25	218	534	413	221
1	1999	137	93	57	472	0	2	39	145	288	457	408
1	2000	94	56	36	484	0	2	5	32	156	153	146
1	138	160	88	82	827							

4	1997	0	281	4418	3589	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	1998	0	382	2601	2698	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	1999	0	343	844	1603	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2000	0	129	622	249	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2001	0	100	957	2610	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2002	0	3795	5682	2173	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2003	0	909	3055	2500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2004	0	1365	4873	4778	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2005	0	4695	2569	1535	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2006	0	207	1094	429	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2007	0	68	440	6088	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2008	0	179	1230	1730	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2009	0	57	981	1438	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2010	0	413	886	730	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2011	0	70	494	1957	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2012	0	101	996	1790	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2013	0	119	294	720	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2014	0	496	691	508	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2015	0	2	631	858	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2016	0	9	483	1470	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2017	0	1006	1130	1055	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	2018	0	811	911	851	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1993	0	0	0	1068	1472	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1994	0	0	0	315	776	46	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1995	0	0	0	1268	2616	341	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1996	0	0	0	2248	2949	547	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1997	0	0	0	63	823	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1998	0	0	0	1188	914	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	1999	0	0	0	415	684	129	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2000	0	0	0	143	460	49	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2001	0	0	0	2411	2458	82	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2002	0	0	0	2077	6927	776	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2003	0	0	0	916	1416	45	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2004	0	0	0	977	2505	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2005	0	0	0	1169	655	60	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2006	0	0	0	532	2598	131	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2007	0	0	0	4719	1974	258	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2008	0	0	0	345	5786	180	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2009	0	0	0	441	1216	97	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2010	0	0	0	729	1280	14	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2011	0	0	0	509	855	5	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2012	0	0	0	316	850	19	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2013	0	0	0	524	549	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2014	0	0	0	399	482	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2015	0	0	0	62	413	84	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2016	0	0	0	664	965	3	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2017	0	0	0	141	698	91	0	0	0	0	0	
5	2018	0	0	0	114	563	73	0	0	0	0	0	
7	1983	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	119	128	164
7	1984	193	117	79	355	0	0	0	0	0	84	143	180
7	1985	169	141	110	172	0	0	0	0	0	68	101	120
7	1986	172	122	87	179	0	0	0	0	0	47	50	61
7	1987	62	58	36	96	0	0	0	0	0	66	68	48
7	1988	40	53	40	123	0	0	0	0	0	76	72	39
7	1989	38	62	43	140	0	0	0	0	0	72	64	65
7	1990	38	60	34	163	0	0	0	0	0	131	56	68
7	1991	53	104	74	256	0	0	0	0	0	80	107	125
7	1992	67	99	66	163	0	0	0	0	0	51	77	104
9	1993	49	75	51	178	0	0	3	225	325	202	125	
9	1994	59	119	44	239	0	0	0	778	302	192	209	
	134	76	84	51	161								

Appendix B VPA 2-box parameter file

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# PARAMETER FILE FOR PROGRAM VPA_2BOX, Version 4.1
# The specifications are entered in the order indicated
# by the existing comments. Additional comments must be preceded by a # symbol
# in the first column, otherwise the line is perceived as free format input.
#
# Each parameter in the model must have its own specification line unless a $
# symbol is placed in the first column followed by an integer value (n), which
# tells the program that the next n parameters abide by the same specifications.
#
# The format of each specification line is as follows
#
# column 1
# | number of parameters to which these specifications apply
# | | lower bound
# | | | best estimate (prior expectation)
# | | | | upper bound
# | | | | | method of estimation
# | | | | | | standard deviation of prior
# $ 5 0 1.2 2.0 1 0.1
#
# The methods of estimation include:
# 0 set equal to the value given for the best estimate (a fixed constant)
# 1 estimate in the usual frequentist (non-Bayesian) sense
# 2(0.1) estimate as a random deviation from the previous parameter
# 3(0.2) estimate as a random deviation from the previous constant or type 1 parameter
# 4(0.3) estimate as random deviation from the best estimate.
# -0.1 set equal to the value of the closest previous estimated parameter
# -n set equal to the value of the nth parameter in the list (estimated or not)
=====
# TERMINAL F PARAMETERS: (lower bound, best estimate, upper bound, indicator, reference age)
# Note 1: the method indicator for the terminal F parameters is unique in that if it is
# zero but the best estimate is set to a value < 9, then the 'best estimate'
# is taken to be the vulnerability relative to the reference age in the last
# (fifth) column. Otherwise these parameters are treated the same as the
# others below and the fifth column is the standard deviation of the prior.
# Note 2: the last age is represented by an F-ratio parameter (below), so the number
# of entries here should be 1 fewer than the number of ages
#-----
1e-06 0.01 4 1 0.1
1e-04 0.1 4 1 0.1
1e-04 0.1 4 1 0.1
1e-04 0.1 4 1 0.1
1e-04 0.1 4 1 0.1
1e-04 0.2 4 1 0.1
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1e-04 0.2 4 1 0.1
1e-04 0.1 4 1 0.1
#-----
# F-RATIO PARAMETERS F[oldest]/F[oldest-1] one parameter (set of specifications) for each year
#-----
$ 1 0.0 1.0 4.0 0 0.2
$ 44 0.00 1.0 4.0 0 0.2
#-----
# NATURAL MORTALITY PARAMETERS: one parameter (set of specifications) for each age
#-----
0 0.38 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.30 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.24 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.20 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.18 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.16 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.14 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.13 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.12 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.12 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.11 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.11 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.11 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.11 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.10 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.10 1.0 0 0.1
0 0.10 1.0 0 0.1
#-----
# MIXING PARAMETERS: one parameter (set of specifications) for each age
#-----
$ 16 0.0 1.0 0 .1
#-----
# STOCK-RECRUITMENT PARAMETERS: five parameters so 5 sets of specifications
#-----
0 220982.5 1.D20 0 0.4 maximum recruitment
0 16441.44 1.D20 0 0.0 spawning biomass scaling parameter
0 0.000 0.9 0 0.0 extra parameter (not used yet)
0 0.5 1 0 0 autocorrelation parameter
0 10 1000 0 0 (0.3464) variance of random component (discounting the autocorrelation)
#-----
# VARIANCE SCALING PARAMETER (lower bound, best estimate, upper bound, indicator, std. dev.)
# this parameter scales the input variance up or down as desired
# In principal, if you estimate this you should obtain more accurate estimates of the
# magnitude of the parameter variances-- all other things being equal.
#-----
0 0.4 4 0 0.2
0 0 4 0 0.2
0 0.4 4 1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -0.1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -0.1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -0.1 0.2
0 0.4 4 1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -0.1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -0.1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -0.1 0.2
0 0 4 0 0.2
0 0.4 4 1 0.2
0 0.4 4 -107 0.2
0 0.4 4 0 0.2
0 0.4 4 -107 0.2
#-----
# CATCHABILITY PARAMETERS
#-----

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#1_CAN_HL					
\$ 10	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 34	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#2_CAN_GSL_Acoustic					
\$ 20	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 24	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#3_US_RR<145					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#4_US_RR_66_114					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#5_US_RR_115_144					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#6_US_RR_145_177					
\$ 45	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
#7_US_RR>195					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#8_US_RR>195_COMB					
\$ 45	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
#9_US_RR>177					
\$ 19	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 25	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#10_JLL_AREA_2_(WEST)					
\$ 2	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 33	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
\$ 9	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
#11_JLL_AREA_3_(31+32)					
\$ 45	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
#12_JLL_AREAS_17+18					
\$ 45	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
#13_LARVAL_ZERO_INFLATED					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#14_GOM_PLL_1-6					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#15_JLL_GOM					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#16_TAGGING					
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 44	ID-20	ID-04	1	-0.1	0.2
#17_JLL_AREA_2_RECENT					
\$ 36	ID-20	ID-04	1	0	0.2
\$ 1	ID-20	ID-04	1	1	0.2
\$ 8	ID-20	ID-04	1	3	0.2
@ END PARAMETER INPUT					

