

AFSC/ABL: Longline Sablefish Survey

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Description:

Abstract:

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Purpose:

Measure the relative abundance and size composition of sablefish, shortspine thornyhead, rougheye rockfish, shortraker rockfish and Greenland turbot. Tag sablefish, Greenland turbot and shortspine thornyhead. Measure the age composition of sablefish.

Time period of content:

Time period information:

Range of dates/times:

Beginning date: 1979

Ending date: 2009

Currentness reference:

ground condition

Status:

Progress: In work

Maintenance and update frequency: Annually

Spatial domain:

Description of geographic extent:

Aleutian Islands, Bering Sea, Gulf of Alaska

Bounding coordinates:

West bounding coordinate: -178.962833

East bounding coordinate: -132.838667

North bounding coordinate: 59.765

South bounding coordinate: 51.35

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme keywords: 002, Biota

Theme keyword thesaurus: ISO 19115 Topic Category

Theme:

Theme keywords: Longline, Groundfish, Survey, Hook, Sablefish

Theme keyword thesaurus: None

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Theme keyword thesaurus: National Park Service Theme Category Thesaurus

Place:

Place keywords: Alaska, Aleutian Islands, Bering Sea, Gulf of Alaska

Place keyword thesaurus: Geographic Names Information System

Place:

Place keywords: Southeast Alaska, AK, GOA

Place keyword thesaurus: None

Place:

Place keywords: Southeast Alaska, AK, GOA

Place keyword thesaurus: National Park System Unit Name Thesaurus

Place:

Place keywords: Southeast Alaska, AK, GOA

Place keyword thesaurus: National Park System Unit Code Thesaurus

Taxonomy:

Keywords/taxon:

Taxonomic keywords: multiple species, vertebrates

Taxonomic keyword thesaurus:None

Taxonomic classification:

Taxon rank name: Kingdom

Taxon rank value: Animalia

Taxonomic classification:

Taxon rank name: Phylum
Taxon rank value: Chordata

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Subphylum
Taxon rank value: Vertebrata

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Superclass
Taxon rank value: Osteichthyes

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Class
Taxon rank value: Actinopterygii

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Subclass
Taxon rank value: Neopterygii

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Infraclass
Taxon rank value: Teleostei

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Superorder
Taxon rank value: Acanthopterygii

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Order
Taxon rank value: Scorpaeniformes

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Suborder
Taxon rank value: Anoplopomatoidei

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Family
Taxon rank value: Anoplopomatidae

Taxonomic classification:
Taxon rank name: Genus

Taxon rank value: Anoplopoma

Taxonomic classification:

Taxon rank name: Species

Taxon rank value: Anoplopoma fimbria

Applicable common names: bacalao negro

Access constraints: There are no legal restrictions on access to the data. They reside in public domain and can be freely distributed.

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State or province: AK

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Data set credit:

Japan Fisheries Agency; AFSC

Native data set environment:

Microsoft Access database

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Data Quality Information:

Logical consistency report:

All data is QA/QC'd after each field season.

Completeness report:

See introduction for year/location sampling periods.

Lineage:

Process step:

Process description:

Request a copy of the scientific operations plan from distributor for complete process/methodology information

Process date: Unknown

Process contact:

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Entity and Attribute Information:

Detailed description:

Entity type:

Entity type label: Catch

Entity type definition:

-no description-

Entity type definition source:

database developer

Attribute:

Attribute label: vessel

Attribute definition:

Vessel Code, Begin with 5 = Japanese, 2 digit codes are USA vessels

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: cruise

Attribute definition:

Cruise #is unique for the vessel and the year

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** station**Attribute definition:**

In general same stations are fished every year. NOTE: some stations were dropped or begun since the inception of the survey

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** species_code**Attribute definition:**

RACE species codes

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** hachi**Attribute definition:**

Hachi is a skate of gear (45 hooks), 160 hachi per station

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** catch_freq**Attribute definition:**

of fish caught per hachi

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Detailed description:**Entity type:****Entity type label:** Depth**Entity type definition:**

-no description-

Entity type definition source:

database developer

Attribute:**Attribute label:** vessel**Attribute definition:**

Codes that are 2 digit are USA vessels, others are Japanese

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** cruise**Attribute definition:**

Unique to the vessel and year

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** station**Attribute definition:**

In general, same stations are done each year. Note: there have been some changes in the stations fished since 1979

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: hachi

Attribute definition:

Skate of gear = 45 hooks, 160 hachi per station

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: time

Attribute definition:

Time hachi was hauled back onboard after gear was set

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: depth

Attribute definition:

Depth taken every 5 hachis by a Time Depth Recorder (TDR)

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: intrpdep

Attribute definition:

Depth is interpolated on hachis where a depth is not available from a TDR

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: stratum

Attribute definition:

Depth stratum, each stratum = 100 meters

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: baited

Attribute definition:

Number of baited hooks on each hachi after gear has been set and hauled

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: ineffective

Attribute definition:

Number of hooks per hachi that were either snarled with pther hooks, straitened from being hung up, or baitless after being set and hauled

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Detailed description:

Entity type:

Entity type label: Haul_position

Entity type definition:

-no description-

Entity type definition source:

database developer

Attribute:

Attribute label: vessel

Attribute definition:

See Depth or Catch

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: cruise

Attribute definition:

See Depth or Catch

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: haul

Attribute definition:

Haul describes each set of gear, there are 2 hauls per station, each haul has 80 skates, the two sets are set end to end from approximately 100-1000 meters

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** INPFC_area**Attribute definition:**

International North Pacific Fisheries Commission management areas

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** station**Attribute definition:**

See Catch or Depth

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** date**Attribute definition:**

Date of sampling

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** start_latitude**Attribute definition:**

Start of first haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: start_hemi_ns

Attribute definition:

Start of first haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: start_longitude

Attribute definition:

Start of first haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: start_hemi_ew

Attribute definition:

Start of first haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: end_latitude

Attribute definition:

End of second haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** end_hemi_ns**Attribute definition:**

End of second haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** end_longitude**Attribute definition:**

End of second haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** end_hemi_ew**Attribute definition:**

End of second haul

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** set_start_time**Attribute definition:**

Time that setting gear began

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** set_end_time**Attribute definition:**

Time when gear set was finished

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** haul_start_time**Attribute definition:**

Time when hauling gear began

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** haul_end_time**Attribute definition:**

Time when hauling gear was finished

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:
Unrepresentable domain:
No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: soak_time
Attribute definition:
Minutes of Soak Time
Attribute definition source:
database developer

Attribute domain values:
Unrepresentable domain:
No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: distance_fished
Attribute definition:
Kilometers of
Attribute definition source:
database developer

Attribute domain values:
Unrepresentable domain:
No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: starting_depth
Attribute definition:
Start depth in meters
Attribute definition source:
database developer

Attribute domain values:
Unrepresentable domain:
No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: ending_depth
Attribute definition:
End depth in meters

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** surface_temperature**Attribute definition:**

Deg C

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** gear_temperature**Attribute definition:**

Deg C, taken with a Temperature Depth Recorder (TDR)

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:**Attribute label:** tdr depth**Attribute definition:**

Depth Taken with a TDR

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: gear_type

Attribute definition:

RACE code

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: bait_type

Attribute definition:

RACE code

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Detailed description:

Entity type:

Entity type label: Length

Entity type definition:

-no description-

Entity type definition source:

database developer

Attribute:

Attribute label: vessel

Attribute definition:

See Catch or Depth

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: cruise

Attribute definition:

See Catch or Depth

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: station

Attribute definition:

See Catch or Depth

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: species_code

Attribute definition:

Race Code

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: length

Attribute definition:

length in cm

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: frequency

Attribute definition:

of fish caught

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: sex

Attribute definition:

1 = male, 2 = female, 3 = unknown

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: stratum

Attribute definition:

100 meters per stratum

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Detailed description:

Entity type:

Entity type label: Spocode Catch

Entity type definition:

-no description-

Entity type definition source:

database developer

Attribute:

Attribute label: Polycorder Number

Attribute definition:

ID

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: Species Code

Attribute definition:

Race Species Code

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: Common Name

Attribute definition:

-no description-

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:

Unrepresentable domain:

No domain defined.

Attribute:

Attribute label: Scientific Name

Attribute definition:

-no description-

Attribute definition source:

database developer

Attribute domain values:**Unrepresentable domain:**

No domain defined.

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