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## Introduction

Observations by at-sea observers of the shark-directed bottom longline fishery in the Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico have been conducted since 1994 (e.g. Morgan et al. 2009, Mathers et al. 2018 and references therein). Previous stock assessments for sharks utilized data from this fishery as an index of abundance and as an input to the stock assessment model. Herein, we abundance time series index for scalloped and great hammerhead shark.

## Methods

## Catch rate analysis

A combined data set was developed based on observer programs from Morgan et al. (2009) and Mathers et al. (2018). Historically, vessels in this fishery primarily targeted sandbar shark and fish from North Carolina to the eastern Gulf of Mexico (Figure 1). With the introduction of the shark research fishery in 2008, vessels outside the research fishery were not permitted to target or land sandbar sharks. This change in management regulations likely influences the time series of abundance for sharks such that vessels fishing in the research fishery should be modeled separately from those outside the research fishery. Therefore, indices of abundance were created from this data series; 1994-2007 for all vessels and 2008-2019 for vessels in the research fishery. Following the definition of the south Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico by the Highly Migratory Species Division, abundance trends were developed for the Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico and all areas. Following recommendations of the data workshop, indices were developed for scalloped hammerhead for all areas, Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico. Indices were only developed for great hammerhead shark for all areas combined.

For the purposes of analysis, several categorical variables were considered:

- "Year"

1994-2007- Non-research fishery
2008-2019- Research fishery only

- "Time of Day": the time of day the set started defined from the time the first hook was set in the water
Day $=0501-1800 \mathrm{hrs}$
Night $=1801-0500 \mathrm{hrs}$
- "Season"

Winter = January-March
Spring = April-June
Summer $=$ July-September
Fall $=$ October-December

- "Depth": defined as the mean depth when the first hook was set and the last hook was retrieved
$0-100 \mathrm{ft}$
$100-200 \mathrm{ft}$
$200-300 \mathrm{ft}$
- "Hook type": the hook that was used by the majority of the set

Circle hook
J style hook
Undefined

- "Bait type": the bait that was used by the majority of the set

Shark (Elasmobranchii)
Teleost
Other (undefined or multiple bait types)

- "Soak": time from when the first hook was set until the first hook was removed during haulback

Following previous methods in multiple SEDARs, the proportion of sets that caught sharks (when at least one shark was caught) was modeled assuming a binomial distribution with a logit link function. Positive catches were modeled using a dependent variable of the natural logarithm of CPUE expressed as:

$$
\text { CPUE }=\log [(\text { sharks kept }+ \text { sharks released }) /(\text { number of hooks/10,000) }]
$$

Factors most likely to influence the probability of capturing a hammerhead shark were evaluated in a forward stepwise fashion (e.g. Ortiz and Arocha 2004, Cortés et al. 2007, Brodziak and Walsh 2013). Initially, a null model was run with no factors entered into the model. Models were then fit in a stepwise forward manner adding one independent factor. Each factor was ranked from the relative greatest to least reduction in deviance per degree of freedom when compared to the null model:

$$
\% \operatorname{Dev}_{\mathrm{t}}=100 *\left(\operatorname{Dev}_{\text {null }}-\operatorname{Dev}_{\mathrm{f}}\right) / \operatorname{Dev}_{\text {null }}
$$

where $\% \operatorname{Dev}_{t}=$ the percentage of reduction in deviance explained by the addition of each factor, $\mathrm{Dev}_{\text {null }}=$ the deviance per degree of freedom from the null model, and $\mathrm{Dev}_{\mathrm{f}}=$ the deviance per degree of freedom due to the addition of a factor.

The factor with the greatest reduction in deviance was then incorporated into the model providing the effect was significant ( $\mathrm{p} \leq 0.05$ ) based on a Chi-Square test, and the deviance per degree of freedom was reduced by at least $1 \%$ from the less complex model. The process was continued until no factors met the criterion for incorporation into the final model. All analysis was conducted using the SAS statistical computer software (version 9.4) with the PROC GENMOD procedure.

After selecting the set of fixed factors and interactions for each error distribution, all interactions that included the factor year were treated as random interactions (Ortiz and Arocha, 2004). This process converted the basic models from generalized linear models into generalized linear mixed models. The final model determination was evaluated using the Akaike Information Criteria (AIC). These models were fit using a SAS macro, GLIMMIX (glmm800MaOB.sas: Russ Wolfinger, SAS Institute Inc.) and the MIXED procedure in SAS statistical computer
software (PROC GLIMMIX). Relative indices of abundance were calculated as the product of the year effect least square means from the two independent models.

## Results and Discussion

Figure 1. Distribution of fishing effort in the a) non-shark research fishery 1994-2007 and b) shark research fishery 2008-2019.
a)

b)


## Great hammerhead

The proportion of positive sets (i.e. at least one shark was caught) was $19.4 \%$ for the nonresearch fishery and $33.6 \%$ for the research fishery. The stepwise construction of the models is summarized in Table 1. The index statistics can be found in Table 2. The delta-lognormal abundance index is shown in Figure 2. To allow for visual comparison with the nominal values, both series were scaled to the mean of their respective index. Diagnostic plots assessing the fit of the models were deemed acceptable (Figure 3).

Table 1. Analysis of deviance of explanatory variables for the binomial and lognormal generalized linear formulations of the proportion of positive and positive catches for great hammerhead for all areas.

Non-Research Fishery

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 0.9939 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.9829 | 1.107 | 1.107 | 28.81 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |


| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| TIME | 0.9492 | 4.497 | 3.391 | 49.78 | $<.0001$ |
| AREA | 0.9613 | 3.280 |  | 32.3 | $<.0001$ |
| DEPTH | 0.967 | 2.707 |  | 25.96 | $<.0001$ |
| SEASON | 0.9802 | 1.378 |  | 6.84 | 0.0772 |
| SOAK | 0.9807 | 1.328 |  | 4.27 | 0.0387 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9819 | 1.207 |  | 3.4 | 0.183 |
| BAIT | 0.9838 | 1.016 |  | 0.73 | 0.6947 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+TIME+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.932 | 6.228 | 1.731 | 27.62 | $<.0001$ |
| AREA | 1.0328 | $*$ |  | 22.43 | $<.0001$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+TIME+DEPTH | 276.8 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*TIME | 277.6 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 276.8 |  |  |  |  |


| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR $>$ CHI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF |  |  |  |
| NULL | 0.5288 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.4955 | 6.297 | 6.297 | 32.66 | 0.0019 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.4854 | 8.207 | 1.910 | 8.16 | 0.0169 |
| AREA | 0.4864 | 8.018 |  | 6.53 | 0.0106 |
| SEASON | 0.4864 | 8.018 |  | 8.64 | 0.0345 |
| BAIT | 0.4928 | 6.808 |  | 3.72 | 0.1554 |
| DEPTH | 0.4939 | 6.600 |  | 4.08 | 0.2529 |
| TIME | 0.4965 | 6.108 |  | 0.45 | 0.5015 |
| SOAK | 0.4972 | 5.976 |  | 0.02 | 0.876 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+HOOKTYPE+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| SEASON | 0.4783 | 9.550 | 1.343 | 7.61 | 0.0548 |
| AREA | 0.4818 | 8.888 |  | 3.29 | 0.0698 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+HOOKTYPE | 643.4 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*HOOKTYPE | 643.9 |  |  |  |  |

## Research Fishery

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE |  |
| NULL | 1.3474 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 1.3142 | 2.464 | 2.464 | 55.12 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| BAIT | 1.2618 | 6.353 | 3.889 | 60.18 | $<.0001$ |
| REGION | 1.2668 | 5.982 |  | 58.87 | $<.0001$ |
| TIME | 1.2669 | 5.974 |  | 58.77 | $<.0001$ |
| DEPTH | 1.2923 | 4.089 |  | 30.48 | $<.0001$ |


| HOOKTYPE | 1.3101 | 2.768 |  | 6.26 | 0.0123 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SEASON | 1.3137 | 2.501 |  | 4.52 | 0.2103 |
| SOAK | 1.3149 | 2.412 |  | 0.44 | 0.5092 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+BAIT+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| TIME | 1.2333 | 8.468 | 2.115 | 35.77 | $<.0001$ |
| DEPTH | 1.2409 | 7.904 |  | 29.15 | $<.0001$ |
| REGION | 1.2472 | 7.437 |  | 18.99 | $<.0001$ |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.2621 | 6.331 |  | 0.89 | 0.3445 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+BAIT+TIME+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 1.2155 | 9.789 | 1.321 | 25.25 | 0.0001 |
| REGION | 1.2226 |  |  | 14.23 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+BAIT+TIME+DEPTH | 301.9 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*BAIT | 346.2 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*TIME | 477.3 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 440.2 |  |  |  |  |


| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 0.61 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.5821 | 4.574 | 4.574 | 33.28 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ | 0.5672 |  | 15.41 | 0.0005 |  |
| SEASON | 0.5755 | 7.016 |  | 7.0015 |  |
| BAIT | 0.5795 | 5.656 |  | 0.1215 |  |
| DEPTH | 0.5799 | 5.000 |  | 0.0913 |  |
| SOAK | 0.58 | 4.934 |  | 0.094 |  |
| TIME | 0.5831 | 4.918 |  | 0.5945 |  |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.5831 | 4.410 |  | 0.6338 |  |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+SEASON+ | 0.5635 |  |  | 5.16 |  |
| BAIT |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | 1099.4 | 1099.4 |  |  |  |
| YEAR+SEASON |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*SEASON |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 2. The absolute standardized and nominal index of abundance for great hammerhead with the associated coefficients of variation (CV) and number of sets observed ( N ).

| Year | Nominal | StdErr | N | Standardized index | LCL | UCL | CV |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1994 | 0.960 | 0.513 | 102 | 1.071 | 0.432 | 2.656 | 0.478 |
| 1995 | 5.890 | 1.215 | 162 | 5.908 | 3.932 | 8.877 | 0.206 |
| 1996 | 7.720 | 1.542 | 126 | 6.749 | 4.298 | 10.598 | 0.229 |
| 1997 | 9.916 | 2.854 | 80 | 9.424 | 5.212 | 17.042 | 0.303 |


| 1998 | 8.975 | 2.495 | 110 | 10.140 | 6.244 | 16.468 | 0.246 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1999 | 7.276 | 2.030 | 99 | 7.511 | 4.417 | 12.774 | 0.270 |
| 2000 | 2.261 | 1.517 | 64 | 3.207 | 1.306 | 7.878 | 0.473 |
| 2001 | 2.673 | 1.363 | 77 | 3.674 | 1.792 | 7.535 | 0.371 |
| 2002 | 10.194 | 2.491 | 132 | 11.726 | 7.704 | 17.848 | 0.212 |
| 2003 | 7.466 | 2.061 | 174 | 9.966 | 6.619 | 15.006 | 0.207 |
| 2004 | 7.549 | 1.782 | 122 | 7.873 | 5.035 | 12.310 | 0.226 |
| 2005 | 7.259 | 1.884 | 114 | 6.425 | 3.618 | 11.411 | 0.293 |
| 2006 | 4.159 | 1.577 | 117 | 5.261 | 2.926 | 9.460 | 0.300 |
| 2007 | 11.932 | 2.646 | 63 | 9.718 | 5.693 | 16.590 | 0.272 |
| 2008 | 33.374 | 9.116 | 62 | 40.370 | 25.843 | 63.062 | 0.226 |
| 2009 | 35.463 | 7.115 | 113 | 29.215 | 18.077 | 47.216 | 0.244 |
| 2010 | 17.891 | 4.003 | 185 | 18.072 | 11.666 | 27.996 | 0.221 |
| 2011 | 33.878 | 5.078 | 252 | 26.748 | 18.360 | 38.969 | 0.190 |
| 2012 | 45.942 | 13.290 | 88 | 43.110 | 23.598 | 78.756 | 0.308 |
| 2013 | 58.537 | 10.434 | 98 | 52.307 | 35.236 | 77.649 | 0.199 |
| 2014 | 32.922 | 8.750 | 106 | 40.176 | 26.120 | 61.795 | 0.218 |
| 2015 | 55.824 | 9.964 | 100 | 57.252 | 40.527 | 80.877 | 0.174 |
| 2016 | 22.077 | 7.744 | 81 | 26.352 | 14.820 | 46.858 | 0.294 |
| 2017 | 42.070 | 9.061 | 117 | 47.025 | 32.099 | 68.891 | 0.193 |
| 2018 | 23.842 | 6.695 | 112 | 26.739 | 16.329 | 43.785 | 0.250 |
| 2019 | 35.852 | 9.554 | 100 | 43.489 | 28.172 | 67.136 | 0.220 |

Figure 2. Nominal and standardized indices of abundance for great hammerhead. The dashed lines are the $95 \%$ confidence limits for the standardized index. Each index has been divided by the mean of the index.

Della lognormal CPUE inder for Great Hammerhead_all areas_nonSRF
Observed (obcpue) and Estimated (incler) CPUE $95 \%$ of civided by mean


Della lognormal CPUE inclex for Great Hammerhead
Observed (obcpue) and Estimated (inclex) CPUE $95 \%$ Of civided by mean


Figure 3. Diagnostic plots of the model outputs for great hammerhead.


## Scalloped hammerhead

## All Areas

The proportion of positive sets (i.e. at least one shark was caught) was $22.1 \%$ for the nonresearch fishery and $32.9 \%$ for the research fishery. The stepwise construction of the models is summarized in Table 3. The index statistics can be found in Table 4. The delta-lognormal abundance index is shown in Figure 4. To allow for visual comparison with the nominal values, both series were scaled to the mean of their respective index. Diagnostic plots assessing the fit of the models were deemed acceptable (Figure 5).

Table 3. Analysis of deviance of explanatory variables for the binomial and lognormal generalized linear formulations of the proportion of positive and positive catches for scalloped hammerhead for all areas.

Non-Research Fishery-All Areas

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR $>$ CHI |
| NULL | 1.0793 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.9969 | 7.635 | 7.635 | 133.17 | <. 0001 |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.9422 | 12.703 | 5.068 | 82.01 | <. 0001 |
| BAIT | 0.9903 | 8.246 |  | 11.55 | 0.0031 |
| SOAK | 0.9909 | 8.190 |  | 9.76 | 0.0018 |
| SEASON | 0.9918 | 8.107 |  | 10.4 | 0.0154 |
| TIME | 0.9942 | 7.885 |  | 4.92 | 0.0265 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9972 | 7.607 |  | 1.57 | 0.4557 |
| AREA | 0.9975 | 7.579 |  | 0.16 | 0.6847 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH |  |  |  |  |  |
| BAIT | 0.931 | 13.740 | 1.038 | 17.98 | 0.0001 |
| TIME | 0.9379 | 13.101 |  | 7.07 | 0.0078 |
| SOAK | 0.9393 | 12.971 |  | 5.02 | 0.0251 |
| SEASON | 0.94 | 12.907 |  | 5.95 | 0.1139 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+BAIT | 357.9 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 360.1 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*BAIT | 358 |  |  |  |  |
| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 1.0817 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 1.0153 | 6.138 | 6.138 | 34.8 | 0.0009 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.9195 | 14.995 | 8.856 | 36.74 | <. 0001 |
| SEASON | 0.9843 | 9.004 |  | 13.64 | 0.0034 |
| TIME | 1.0011 | 7.451 |  | 5.81 | 0.0159 |


| BAIT | 1.0087 | 6.749 |  | 4.3 | 0.1163 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| SOAK | 1.0147 | 6.194 |  | 1.22 | 0.2696 |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.0215 | 5.565 |  | 0.01 | 0.9928 |
| AREA | 0.9918 | 8.311 |  | 8.96 | 0.0028 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH |  |  |  |  |  |
| SEASON | 0.8895 | 17.768 | 2.773 | 14.43 | 0.0024 |
| TIME | 0.8924 | 17.500 |  | 11.21 | 0.0008 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+SEASON+ | 0.8612 | 20.385 | 2.616 | 12.02 | 0.0005 |
| TIME |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+SEASON+TIME | 922.7 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 917.9 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*SEASON | 922.7 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*TIME |  |  |  |  |  |

Research Fishery-All Areas


| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE |  |
| NULL | 1.119 |  |  | PR>CHI |  |
| YEAR | 1.0835 | 3.172 | 3.172 | 26.08 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0.0063 |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |


| DEPTH | 0.9693 | 13.378 | 10.206 | 54.8 | <. 0001 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIME | 1.0491 | 6.247 |  | 16.01 | <. 0001 |
| SEASON | 1.0685 | 4.513 |  | 9.57 | 0.0226 |
| BAIT | 1.0727 | 4.138 |  | 6.73 | 0.0346 |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.0821 | 3.298 |  | 1.64 | 0.1997 |
| SOAK | 1.0859 | 2.958 |  | 0.01 | 0.9102 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| SEASON | 0.9514 | 14.978 | 1.600 | 11.75 | 0.0083 |
| TIME | 0.9554 | 14.620 |  | 7.71 | 0.0055 |
| BAIT | 0.9693 | 13.378 |  | 2.07 | 0.3557 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 1298.9 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+SEASON | 1309.7 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*SEASON | 1309.8 |  |  |  |  |

Table 4. The absolute standardized and nominal index of abundance for scalloped hammerheadall areas with the associated coefficients of variation (CV) and number of sets observed (N).

| Year | Nominal | StdErr | N | Standardized index | LCL | UCL | CV |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1994 | 2.964 | 2.525 | 102 | 5.867 | 2.573 | 13.382 | 0.430 |
| 1995 | 4.271 | 3.763 | 162 | 8.990 | 4.025 | 20.082 | 0.419 |
| 1996 | 5.941 | 3.596 | 126 | 9.030 | 4.193 | 19.451 | 0.398 |
| 1997 | 19.310 | 4.532 | 80 | 9.015 | 3.489 | 23.295 | 0.503 |
| 1998 | 15.680 | 5.784 | 110 | 12.811 | 5.413 | 30.318 | 0.452 |
| 1999 | 2.738 | 2.332 | 99 | 3.266 | 0.905 | 11.792 | 0.714 |
| 2000 | 0.319 | 0.449 | 64 | 0.281 | 0.030 | 2.671 | 1.596 |
| 2001 | 20.443 | 5.420 | 77 | 12.125 | 5.164 | 28.469 | 0.447 |
| 2002 | 25.727 | 6.425 | 132 | 16.468 | 7.756 | 34.963 | 0.390 |
| 2003 | 36.856 | 6.956 | 174 | 20.271 | 10.401 | 39.506 | 0.343 |
| 2004 | 26.529 | 6.254 | 122 | 16.563 | 7.981 | 34.375 | 0.378 |
| 2005 | 42.121 | 3.554 | 114 | 6.975 | 2.669 | 18.231 | 0.509 |
| 2006 | 16.997 | 10.221 | 117 | 25.205 | 11.551 | 55.003 | 0.405 |
| 2007 | 9.366 | 8.727 | 63 | 15.530 | 5.447 | 44.277 | 0.562 |
| 2008 | 15.784 | 3.192 | 62 | 4.129 | 1.050 | 16.232 | 0.773 |
| 2009 | 239.310 | 21.716 | 113 | 65.590 | 34.412 | 125.017 | 0.331 |
| 2010 | 52.831 | 15.379 | 185 | 46.926 | 24.773 | 88.890 | 0.328 |
| 2011 | 69.029 | 19.029 | 252 | 58.507 | 31.030 | 110.317 | 0.325 |
| 2012 | 69.764 | 33.856 | 88 | 90.500 | 43.882 | 186.642 | 0.374 |
| 2013 | 52.240 | 20.983 | 98 | 53.035 | 24.735 | 113.710 | 0.396 |
| 2014 | 79.902 | 24.385 | 106 | 68.047 | 33.955 | 136.369 | 0.358 |


| 2015 | 66.895 | 37.107 | 100 | 99.944 | 48.710 | 205.064 | 0.371 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2016 | 59.258 | 24.662 | 81 | 68.444 | 34.030 | 137.660 | 0.360 |
| 2017 | 79.150 | 32.465 | 117 | 89.840 | 44.583 | 181.038 | 0.361 |
| 2018 | 26.229 | 16.842 | 112 | 42.589 | 19.871 | 91.283 | 0.395 |
| 2019 | 29.696 | 17.176 | 100 | 44.341 | 20.991 | 93.666 | 0.387 |

Figure 4. Nominal and standardized indices of abundance for scalloped hammerhead-all areas. The dashed lines are the $95 \%$ confidence limits for the standardized index. Each index has been divided by the mean of the index.


Figure 5. Diagnostic plots of the model outputs for scalloped hammerhead-all areas.








## Scalloped hammerhead

## Atlantic Ocean

The proportion of positive sets (i.e. at least one shark was caught) was $20.0 \%$ for the nonresearch fishery and $26.9 \%$ for the research fishery. The stepwise construction of the models is summarized in Table 5. The index statistics can be found in Table 6. The delta-lognormal abundance index is shown in Figure 6. To allow for visual comparison with the nominal values, both series were scaled to the mean of their respective index. Diagnostic plots assessing the fit of the models were deemed acceptable (Figure 7).

Table 5. Analysis of deviance of explanatory variables for the binomial and lognormal generalized linear formulations of the proportion of positive and positive catches for scalloped hammerhead for the Atlantic Ocean. An asterisk indicates the model did not converge.

Non-Research Fishery-Atlantic Ocean

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 1.0213 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.9694 | 5.082 | 5.082 | 57.2 | $<.0001$ |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.9265 | 9.282 | 4.201 | 39.13 | $<.0001$ |
| BAIT | 0.9534 | 6.648 |  | 15.5 | 0.0004 |
| SEASON | 0.9601 | 5.992 |  | 10.74 | 0.0132 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9633 | 5.679 |  | 7.11 | 0.0285 |
| TIME | 0.967 | 5.317 |  | 3.02 | 0.0823 |
| SOAK | 0.9682 | 5.199 |  | 2.03 | 0.1546 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| BAIT | 0.9046 | 11.427 | 2.144 | 20.22 | $<.0001$ |
| SEASON | 0.9204 | 9.880 |  | 7.87 | 0.0489 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9207 | 9.850 |  | 6.68 | 0.0354 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+BAIT+ + |  |  |  |  | 0.0318 |
| SEASON | 0.8973 | 12.141 | 0.715 | 8.82 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+BAIT | 344.5 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 346.2 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*BAIT | 343.4 |  |  |  |  |


| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR $>\mathrm{CHI}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF |  |  |  |
| NULL | 1.1853 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.9305 | 21.497 | 21.497 | 57.86 | <. 0001 |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.7872 | 33.586 | 12.090 | 33.88 | <. 0001 |
| SEASON | 0.8984 | 24.205 |  | 9.69 | 0.0214 |
| TIME | 0.9128 | 22.990 |  | 4.58 | 0.0323 |
| BAIT | 0.9182 | 22.534 |  | 4.6 | 0.1004 |
| SOAK | 0.9283 | 21.682 |  | 1.51 | 0.2185 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9375 | 20.906 |  | 0.8 | 0.6711 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH + |  |  |  |  |  |
| TIME | 0.7378 | 37.754 | 4.168 | 12.97 | 0.0003 |
| SEASON | 0.7728 | 34.801 |  | 6.71 | 0.0817 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+TIME | 468.7 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 468.7 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*TIME | 470.7 |  |  |  |  |

## Research Fishery-Atlantic Ocean

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 1.2097 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 1.186 | 1.959 | 1.959 | 29.93 | 0.0016 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |


| BAIT | 1.0735 | 11.259 | 9.300 | 80.96 | $<.0001$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.1413 | 5.654 |  | 32.43 | $<.0001$ |
| SEASON | 1.1453 | 5.324 |  | 31.95 | $<.0001$ |
| DEPTH | 1.153 | 4.687 |  | Negative of Hessian not positive definite |  |
| SOAK | 1.1856 | 1.992 |  | 1.44 | 0.23 |
| TIME | 1.1863 | 1.934 |  | 0.96 | 0.3279 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+BAIT+ |  |  |  |  | $<.0001$ |
| SEASON | 1.0393 | 14.086 | 2.827 | 27.07 | 0.0026 |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.062 | 12.210 |  | 9.1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 0.0083 |
| YEAR+BAIT+SEASON+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.0267 | 15.128 | 1.042 | 11.75 |  |
|  | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | 333.5 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+BAIT+SEASON+HOOKTYPE | $*$ |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*BAIT | $*$ |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*SEASON | $*$ |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*HOOKTYPE |  |  |  |  |  |


| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR $>$ CHI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF |  |  |  |
| NULL | 1.119 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 1.0835 | 3.172 | 3.172 | 26.08 | 0.0063 |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.9693 | 13.378 | 10.206 | 54.8 | <. 0001 |
| TIME | 1.0491 | 6.247 |  | 16.01 | <. 0001 |
| SEASON | 1.0685 | 4.513 |  | 9.57 | 0.0226 |
| BAIT | 1.0727 | 4.138 |  | 6.73 | 0.0346 |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.0821 | 3.298 |  | 1.64 | 0.1997 |
| SOAK | 1.0859 | 2.958 |  | 0.01 | 0.9102 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| SEASON | 0.9514 | 14.978 | 1.600 | 11.75 | 0.0083 |
| TIME | 0.9554 | 14.620 |  | 7.71 | 0.0055 |
| BAIT | 0.9693 | 13.378 |  | 2.07 | 0.3557 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+SEASON | 590.6 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | * |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*SEASON | * |  |  |  |  |

Table 6. The absolute standardized and nominal index of abundance for scalloped hammerheadAtlantic Ocean with the associated coefficients of variation (CV) and number of sets observed (N).

| Year | Nominal | StdErr | N | Standardized index | LCL | UCL | CV |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1994 | 5.128 | 3.331 | 55 | 9.514 | 4.819 | 18.780 | 0.350 |
| 1995 | 4.599 | 4.200 | 109 | 11.957 | 6.044 | 23.653 | 0.351 |


| 1996 | 5.505 | 4.200 | 86 | 12.727 | 6.691 | 24.209 | 0.330 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1997 | 5.467 | 3.357 | 54 | 6.067 | 2.158 | 17.054 | 0.553 |
| 1998 | 14.332 | 5.422 | 72 | 17.577 | 9.617 | 32.124 | 0.308 |
| 1999 | 3.477 | 4.409 | 68 | 5.929 | 1.573 | 22.350 | 0.744 |
| 2000 | 0.319 | 0.340 | 64 | 0.229 | 0.027 | 1.983 | 1.482 |
| 2001 | 15.166 | 6.366 | 54 | 16.904 | 8.160 | 35.019 | 0.377 |
| 2002 | 37.115 | 6.385 | 68 | 17.461 | 8.597 | 35.464 | 0.366 |
| 2003 | 46.451 | 4.265 | 93 | 12.811 | 6.698 | 24.502 | 0.333 |
| 2004 | 13.098 | 3.313 | 52 | 7.867 | 3.506 | 17.650 | 0.421 |
| 2005 | 94.693 | 7.831 | 48 | 11.620 | 3.418 | 39.507 | 0.674 |
| 2006 | 34.397 | 23.685 | 49 | 63.093 | 30.521 | 130.425 | 0.375 |
| 2007 | 8.300 | 12.759 | 35 | 21.511 | 7.174 | 64.500 | 0.593 |
| 2008 | 0.000 |  | 21 |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | 88.457 | 27.083 | 40 | 63.443 | 27.990 | 143.802 | 0.427 |
| 2010 | 46.727 | 11.902 | 127 | 46.747 | 28.318 | 77.168 | 0.255 |
| 2011 | 56.688 | 10.135 | 144 | 37.435 | 21.992 | 63.721 | 0.271 |
| 2012 | 67.320 | 27.841 | 60 | 91.472 | 50.437 | 165.890 | 0.304 |
| 2013 | 57.714 | 28.282 | 51 | 64.498 | 27.880 | 149.210 | 0.438 |
| 2014 | 70.030 | 15.420 | 90 | 53.727 | 30.607 | 94.310 | 0.287 |
| 2015 | 56.095 | 22.083 | 61 | 63.541 | 32.340 | 124.841 | 0.348 |
| 2016 | 50.635 | 17.886 | 52 | 56.871 | 30.771 | 105.112 | 0.315 |
| 2017 | 21.505 | 14.914 | 62 | 40.475 | 19.828 | 82.622 | 0.368 |
| 2018 | 38.249 | 15.429 | 59 | 41.877 | 20.516 | 85.482 | 0.368 |
| 2019 | 10.515 | 11.535 | 51 | 22.889 | 8.839 | 59.270 | 0.504 |

Figure 6. Nominal and standardized indices of abundance for scalloped hammerhead-Atlantic Ocean. The dashed lines are the $95 \%$ confidence limits for the standardized index. Each index has been divided by the mean of the index.

Della lognormal CPUE index for Scalloped Hammerhead_all areas nonSRF
Observed (obcpue) and Esimated (inder) CPUE $95 \%$ CI divided by mean



Figure 7. Diagnostic plots of the model outputs for scalloped hammerhead-Atlantic Ocean.



Scalloped hammerhead
Atlantic Ocean
The proportion of positive sets (i.e. at least one shark was caught) was $24.6 \%$ for the nonresearch fishery and $41.2 \%$ for the research fishery. The stepwise construction of the models is summarized in Table 7. The index statistics can be found in Table 8. The delta-lognormal abundance index is shown in Figure 8. To allow for visual comparison with the nominal values,
both series were scaled to the mean of their respective index. Diagnostic plots assessing the fit of the models were deemed acceptable (Figure 9).

Table 5. Analysis of deviance of explanatory variables for the binomial and lognormal generalized linear formulations of the proportion of positive and positive catches for scalloped hammerhead for the Gulf of Mexico. An asterisk indicates the model did not converge.

Non-Research Fishery- Gulf of Mexico

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR $>\mathrm{CHI}$ |
| NULL | 1.158 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.9976 | 13.851 | 13.851 | 108.03 | <. 0001 |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.9013 | 22.168 | 8.316 | 59.22 | $<.0001$ |
| SOAK | 0.9819 | 15.207 |  | 10.21 | 0.0014 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9881 | 14.672 |  | 7.57 | 0.0227 |
| SEASON | 0.9979 | 13.826 |  | 2.82 | 0.4197 |
| TIME | 0.9983 | 13.791 |  | 0.58 | 0.445 |
| BAIT | 1 | 13.644 |  | 0.63 | 0.7304 |
| YEAR+DEPTH+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.8921 | 22.962 | 0.794 | 7.19 | 0.0275 |
| SOAK | 0.897 | 22.539 |  | 3.43 | 0.064 |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH | 127 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 125.4 |  |  |  |  |


| Proportion positive-Lognormal error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 0.9497 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 0.9478 | 0.200 | 0.200 | 12.88 | 0.3778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 0.9055 | 4.654 | 4.454 | 10.44 | 0.0152 |
| SOAK | 0.9357 | 1.474 |  | 3.11 | 0.0778 |
| HOOKTYPE | 0.9443 | 0.569 |  | 2.78 | 0.2496 |
| TIME | 0.9472 | 0.263 |  | 1.19 | 0.2744 |
| SEASON | 0.9502 | $*$ |  | 0.92 | 0.8647 |
| BAIT | 0.9595 | $*$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH | 420.5 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 418.7 |  |  |  |  |

## Research Fishery- Gulf of Mexico

| Proportion positive-Binomial error distribution |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| FACTOR | DEVIANCE/DF | \%DIFF | DELTA\% | CHISQUARE | PR>CHI |
| NULL | 1.396 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR | 1.3115 | 6.053 | 6.053 | 57.73 | $<.0001$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEPTH | 1.1422 | 18.181 | 12.128 | 88.42 | $<.0001$ |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.2573 | 9.936 |  | 28.51 | $<.0001$ |
| SEASON | 1.2617 | 9.620 |  | 28.81 | $<.0001$ |
| TIME | 1.281 | 8.238 |  | 16.61 | $<.0001$ |
| SOAK | 1.2864 | 7.851 |  | 13.89 | 0.0002 |
| BAIT | 1.2928 | 7.393 |  | 12.01 | 0.0025 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOOKTYPE | 1.0208 | 26.877 | 8.696 | 42.32 | 19.88 |
| SEASON | 1.1091 | 20.552 |  | 15.41 | 0.0001 |
| BAIT | 1.1158 | 20.072 |  | 3.77 | 0.0005 |
| SOAK | 1.137 | 18.553 |  | 0.02 | 0.8795 |
| TIME | 1.1445 | 18.016 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No other models would converge |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PROPORTION POSITIVE | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+DEPTH+HOOKTYPE | 90.4 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 92.3 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*HOOKTYPE | 56.3 |  |  |  |  |



| TIME | 0.9072 | 28.651 | 3.311 | 12.13 | 0.0005 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SEASON | 0.92 | 27.645 |  | 10.86 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+HOOKTYPE+DEPTH+TIME+ | 0.8657 |  |  |  |  |
| SEASON |  | 31.915 | 3.264 | 14.65 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0.0021 |  |
|  | AIC |  |  |  |  |
| POSITIVE | 663.4 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR+HOOKTYPE+DEPTH+TIME+SEASON | 663.4 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*HOOKTYPE | 663.5 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*DEPTH | 663.4 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*TIME | 664.9 |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR*SEASON |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 8. The absolute standardized and nominal index of abundance for scalloped hammerheadGulf of Mexico with the associated coefficients of variation (CV) and number of sets observed (N).

| Year | Nominal | StdErr | N | Standardized index | LCL | UCL | CV |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1994 | 0.430 | 0.800 | 47 | 0.727 | 0.122 | 4.316 | 1.100 |
| 1995 | 3.599 | 3.560 | 53 | 4.445 | 1.088 | 18.169 | 0.801 |
| 1996 | 6.877 | 4.100 | 40 | 6.603 | 2.107 | 20.690 | 0.621 |
| 1997 | 48.062 | 14.879 | 26 | 23.542 | 7.384 | 75.055 | 0.632 |
| 1998 | 18.233 | 4.389 | 38 | 6.604 | 1.970 | 22.138 | 0.665 |
| 1999 | 1.116 | 0.603 | 31 | 0.399 | 0.045 | 3.533 | 1.511 |
| 2000 |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| 2001 | 32.833 | 6.948 | 23 | 11.066 | 3.494 | 35.051 | 0.628 |
| 2002 | 13.628 | 6.686 | 64 | 14.561 | 6.071 | 34.921 | 0.459 |
| 2003 | 25.840 | 8.594 | 81 | 24.324 | 12.250 | 48.298 | 0.353 |
| 2004 | 36.506 | 8.348 | 70 | 24.302 | 12.461 | 47.396 | 0.344 |
| 2005 | 3.887 | 2.444 | 66 | 3.808 | 1.177 | 12.326 | 0.642 |
| 2006 | 4.458 | 5.406 | 68 | 6.982 | 1.773 | 27.496 | 0.774 |
| 2007 | 10.698 | 15.632 | 28 | 19.646 | 4.841 | 79.726 | 0.796 |
| 2008 | 23.869 | 9.832 | 41 | 11.196 | 2.468 | 50.787 | 0.878 |
| 2009 | 321.970 | 21.961 | 73 | 84.325 | 50.519 | 140.755 | 0.260 |
| 2010 | 66.198 | 13.967 | 58 | 41.180 | 21.284 | 79.671 | 0.339 |
| 2011 | 85.484 | 15.830 | 108 | 50.887 | 27.710 | 93.452 | 0.311 |
| 2012 | 75.000 | 34.925 | 28 | 64.255 | 23.227 | 177.754 | 0.544 |
| 2013 | 46.301 | 26.715 | 47 | 67.233 | 31.262 | 144.593 | 0.397 |
| 2014 | 135.431 | 34.376 | 16 | 61.826 | 21.896 | 174.575 | 0.556 |
| 2015 | 83.787 | 79.286 | 39 | 216.816 | 106.752 | 440.358 | 0.366 |
| 2016 | 74.720 | 35.487 | 29 | 78.541 | 33.169 | 185.980 | 0.452 |
| 2017 | 144.132 | 83.428 | 55 | 260.287 | 139.260 | 486.494 | 0.321 |
| 2018 | 12.849 | 14.702 | 53 | 31.181 | 12.727 | 76.396 | 0.472 |
| 2019 | 49.660 | 25.094 | 49 | 71.195 | 35.910 | 141.150 | 0.352 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 8. Nominal and standardized indices of abundance for scalloped hammerhead- Gulf of Mexico. The dashed lines are the $95 \%$ confidence limits for the standardized index. Each index has been divided by the mean of the index.


Figure 9. Diagnostic plots of the model outputs for scalloped hammerhead- Gulf of Mexico.











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