

Common Fish Species Present

Yellow Perch

Walleye

Saugeye

Northern Pike

Bigmouth Buffalo

Common Carp

White Sucker

Black Bullhead

Terminology

Catch per unit effort (**CPUE**) refers to the relative abundance of a species. It is defined as the number of fish captured per unit of effort (i.e., number of fish captured per net-night or number of fish captured per hour electrofishing). In this report CPUE is typically given for only stock-length fish (see length categories table for stock lengths).

A statewide effort to help make netting efforts comparable to all waters sampled across the state, occurred in 2017, with a switch to American Fisheries Society gill nets. Past gill netting efforts were completed with different style/types of nets and are not comparable side by side.

- **AFS std gill net** – 80 ft experimental gill net containing eight panels (10 ft each) of varying monofilament meshes of 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25 and 2.50 inches.
- **std experimental gill net for non-Missouri River waters** - 150 ft experimental gill net containing six panels (25 ft each) of varying monofilament meshes of 0.5, 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00 inches.
- **std experimental gill net for Missouri River reservoirs** – 300 ft experimental gill net containing six panels (50 ft each) of varying multifilament meshes of 0.5, 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00 inches.

$$CPUE = \frac{\text{number of fish}}{\text{effort}}$$

Population size structure is quantified using the indices proportional size distribution of quality-length fish (**PSD**) and proportional size distribution of preferred-length fish (**PSD-P**). These indices indicate the proportion of stock-length fish that are equal to or greater than a given length. Minimum lengths for stock, quality and preferred length fish are given in the length categories table.

$$PSD = \left(\frac{\text{number of fish} \geq \text{quality length}}{\text{number of fish} \geq \text{stock length}} \right) \times 100$$

$$PSD - P = \left(\frac{\text{number of fish} \geq \text{preferred length}}{\text{number of fish} \geq \text{stock length}} \right) \times 100$$

Relative weight (**Wr**) is used to quantify fish plumpness. Relative weight is the ratio of what a fish weighs (**W**) compared to a length-specific standard weight (**Ws**) multiplied by 100. Relative weight values of 95-105 are commonly cited as optimum values, but values in the 80s are common during summer sampling in South Dakota.

$$Wr = \left(\frac{W}{Ws} \right) \times 100$$

Confidence intervals (CI) are provided for many of the estimates calculated in this report. The confidence interval provides a range in which the true mean is expected to fall. For example, with an 80% CI we are 80% confident that the interval contains the true value.

Length categories include stock (S), quality (Q), preferred (P), memorable (M) and trophy (T). Length categories for most species have been defined based on a percentage of the world record length for that species. Some species mentioned in this report do not have defined length categories. Length categories for species used in this report are provided in the following table. Measurements are the minimum total length for each category and are reported in inches (in) and centimeters (cm).

Species Name	Stock		Quality		Preferred		Memorable		Trophy	
	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)
Black Bullhead	6	15	9	23	12	30	15	38	18	46
Black Crappie	5	13	8	20	10	25	12	30	15	38
Bluegill	3	8	6	15	8	20	10	25	12	30
Brown Trout	8	20	12	30	16	40	20	50	18	46
Channel Catfish	11	28	16	41	24	61	28	71	36	91
Freshwater Drum	8	20	12	30	15	38	20	51	25	63
Lake Trout	12	30	20	50	26	65	31	80	39	100
Largemouth Bass	8	20	12	30	15	38	20	51	25	63
Muskellunge	20	51	30	76	38	97	42	107	50	127
Northern Pike	14	35	21	53	28	71	34	86	44	112
Pumpkinseed	3	8	6	15	8	20	10	25	12	30
Rainbow Trout	10	25	16	40	20	50	26	65	31	80
Rudd	6	15	10	25	12	30	15	38	19	48
Sauger	8	20	12	30	15	38	20	51	25	63
Smallmouth Bass	7	18	11	28	14	35	17	43	20	51
Walleye	10	25	15	38	20	51	25	63	30	76
White Bass	6	15	9	23	12	30	15	38	18	46
White Crappie	5	13	8	20	10	25	12	30	15	38
Yellow Bullhead	4	10	7	18	9	23	11	28	14	36
Yellow Perch	5	13	8	20	10	25	12	30	15	38

Catch Summary of Stock Length Fish

Catch per unit effort (CPUE), proportional size distribution (PSD), proportional size distribution of preferred length fish (PSD-P), and relative weight (Wr) for species sampled in survey with 80% confidence interval (CI-80).

* **Methods/Species that ignore stock length**

Gear	Species	Sample Size (n)	Abundance		Stock Density Indices			Condition		
			CPUE	CI-80	PSD	CI-80	PSD-P	CI-80	Wr	CI-80
AFS std gill net	Bigmouth Buffalo	7	1.2	0.9	100		0			
	Black Bullhead	3	0.5	0.3	100		33			
	Common Carp	6	1.0	0.7	100		50			
	Northern Pike	9	1.5	0.6	56		33		88	5
	Saugeye	24	4.0	1.7	63	16	25	14	93	5
	Walleye	19	3.2	1.1	100		32	17	92	1
	White Sucker	4	0.7	0.6	100		75			
	Yellow Perch	4	0.7	0.5	25		25		108	11

10-Year Catch Per Unit Effort by Gear and Species

Catch per unit effort (CPUE) and average (Avg) of species across 10 years using different gear types.

Gear	Species	CPUE										Avg
		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
AFS std gill net	Bigmouth Buffalo								0.0	5.5	1.2	2.23
	Black Bullhead								1.0	2.8	0.5	1.43
	Common Carp								0.2	2.3	1.0	1.17
	Northern Pike								2.0	0.8	1.5	1.43
	Saugeye								0.7	0.5	4.0	1.73
	Walleye								2.0	8.7	3.2	4.63
	White Sucker								1.7	1.5	0.7	1.30
	Yellow Perch								5.0	2.8	0.7	2.83
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Bigmouth Buffalo		0.2		6.6							3.40
	Black Bullhead		7.2		10.8							9.00
	Bluegill		0.0		0.4							0.20
	Common Carp		0.8		1.2							1.00
	Northern Pike		2.2		1.4							1.80
	Walleye		3.8		3.4							3.60
	White Bass		2.4		1.2							1.80
	White Crappie		0.0		0.6							0.30
	White Sucker		0.4		0.2							0.30
	Yellow Bullhead		0.0		0.0							0.00
	Yellow Perch		0.0		0.0							0.00
std exp gill net	Bigmouth Buffalo		0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				0.00
	Black Bullhead		0.7		1.0	7.7	9.3	0.0				3.74
	Common Carp		0.3		0.7	0.3	0.3	0.3				0.38
	Northern Pike		3.7		3.0	1.0	1.3	2.3				2.26
	Orangespotted Sunfish		0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				0.00
	Saugeye		0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				0.00
	Walleye		3.7		5.3	0.0	0.0	6.3				3.06
	White Bass		0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				0.00
	White Sucker		1.3		2.7	4.0	1.0	4.0				2.60
	Yellow Perch		4.3		1.3	5.0	7.0	40.3				11.58

10-Year Size Structure and Condition Statistics by Gear and Species

Species proportional size distribution (PSD), proportional size distribution of preferred length fish (PSD-P), and relative weight (Wr) collected by different gear types across 10 years.

Gear	Species	Index	Year											
			2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
AFS std gill net	Bigmouth Buffalo	PSD										12	100	
		PSD-P										3	0	
	Black Bullhead	PSD										0	18	100
		PSD-P										0	0	33
	Common Carp	PSD										100	79	100
		PSD-P										100	7	50
	Northern Pike	PSD										92	80	56
		PSD-P										8	20	33
		Wr										88	100	88
	Saugeye	PSD										0	100	63
		PSD-P										0	0	25
		Wr										99	93	93
	Walleye	PSD										17	96	100
		PSD-P										0	0	32
		Wr										89	93	92
	White Sucker	PSD										100	100	100
		PSD-P										80	78	75
	Yellow Perch	PSD										67	94	25
		PSD-P										50	12	25
		Wr										111	99	108
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Bigmouth Buffalo	PSD		100		97								
		PSD-P		100		67								
		Wr		79		119								
	Black Bullhead	PSD		11		48								
		PSD-P		0		0								
		Wr		94		88								
	Common Carp	PSD		50		100								
		PSD-P		50		50								
		Wr		92		89								
	Northern Pike	PSD		73		86								
		PSD-P		18		0								
		Wr		85		88								
	Walleye	PSD		37		41								

Gear	Species	Index	Year									
			2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Walleye	PSD-P		11		12						
		Wr		85		100						
	White Sucker	PSD		100		100						
		PSD-P		100		100						
		Wr		92		97						
std exp gill net	Bigmouth Buffalo	PSD					0	0				
		PSD-P					0	0				
	Black Bullhead	PSD		0		0	26	4				
		PSD-P		0		0	0	0				
		Wr		98		111						
	Common Carp	PSD		0		100	100	0	100			
		PSD-P		0		100	100	0	100			
		Wr		113		80						
	Northern Pike	PSD		36		89	0	50	86			
		PSD-P		9		33	0	0	29			
		Wr		84		97	94	77	84			
	Saugeye	PSD									0	
		PSD-P									0	
	Walleye	PSD		64		31		0	0			
		PSD-P		0		6		0	0			
		Wr		93		94					96	
	White Sucker	PSD		75		88	92	100	83			
		PSD-P		50		88	33	100	58			
		Wr		92		97						
	Yellow Perch	PSD		23		50	60	43	75			
PSD-P			0		0	0	33	8				
Wr			106		111	106	105	107				

Length at Capture

Mean length at capture by age across years sampled, sample size (N).

Species: Saugeye

Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age											
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2019	24	273 (9)	401 (5)	464 (10)							
2018	3		423 (3)								

Species: Walleye

Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age											
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2019	18				455 (2)	487 (15)		628 (1)			
2018	52	298 (1)	411 (12)	409 (5)	452 (34)						

Species: Yellow Perch

Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age											
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2019	4	144 (3)		278 (1)							

Fish Condition

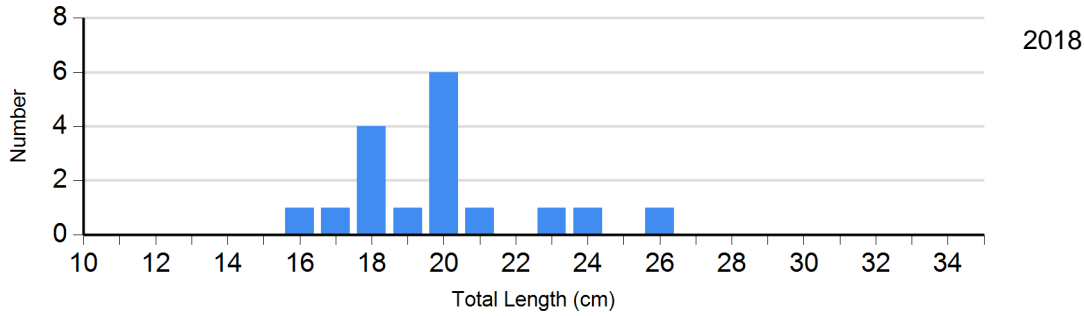
Mean relative weight (Wr) by sample size (N), length category stock to quality (S-Q), quality to preferred (Q-P), preferred to memorable (P-M), and memorable (M) for species collected across survey years with standard error (SE).

Species	Year	Length Groups							
		S-Q		Q-P		P-M		M	
		N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)
Northern Pike Gill Net	2015	2	74 (2.1)	2	79 (1.4)	0		0	
	2016	1	83	4	85 (2.9)	2	82 (0.5)	0	
	2017	1	107	10	86 (2.3)	1	93	0	
	2018	1	117	3	95 (3.0)	0		1	
	2019	4	85 (2.2)	2	90 (2.0)	2	93 (17.6)	1	
Saugeye Gill Net	2017	4	99 (4.2)	0		0		0	
	2018	0		3	93 (3.6)	0		0	
	2019	9	96 (1.9)	9	98 (2.5)	6	83 (14.4)	0	
Walleye Gill Net	2015	0		0		0		0	
	2016	19	96 (1.6)	0		0		0	
	2017	10	89 (1.8)	2	90 (2.3)	0		0	
	2018	2	96 (0.2)	50	93 (0.7)	0		0	
	2019	0		13	92 (1.3)	6	93 (2.0)	0	
Yellow Perch Gill Net	2015	12	105 (2.5)	2	100 (3.2)	7	106 (3.4)	0	
	2016	30	106 (1.8)	81	109 (0.7)	9	102 (1.8)	1	92
	2017	10	106 (3.8)	5	117 (4.6)	14	112 (1.9)	1	100
	2018	1	120	14	97 (1.5)	2	102 (3.6)	0	
	2019	3	116 (4.2)	0		1	84	0	

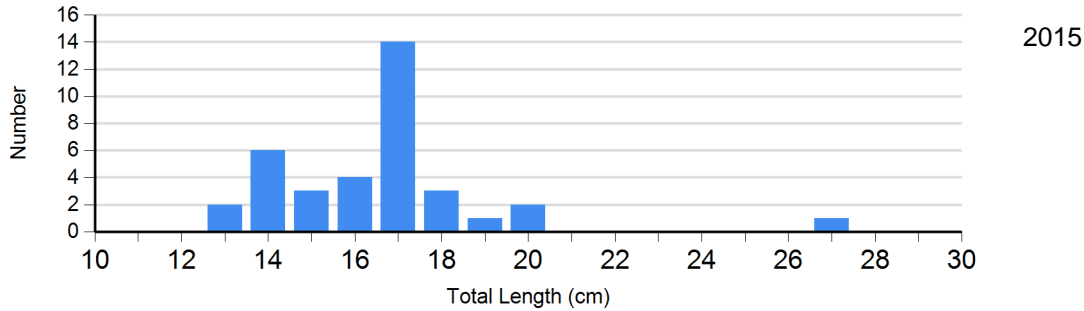
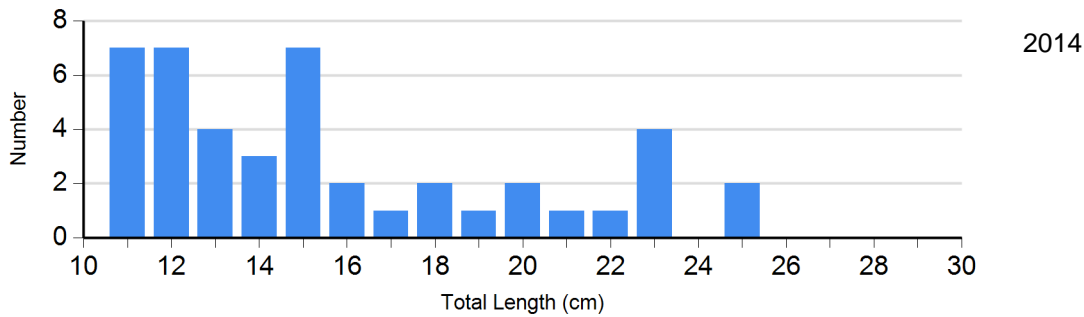
Length Frequency Distribution

Length frequency histogram of species sampled by year.

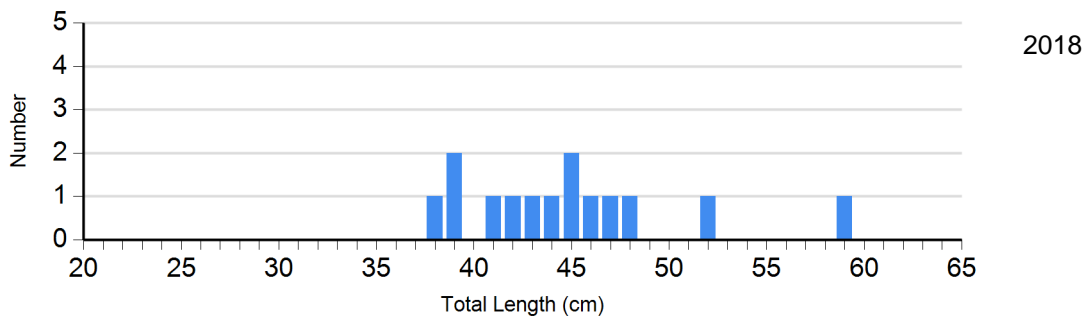
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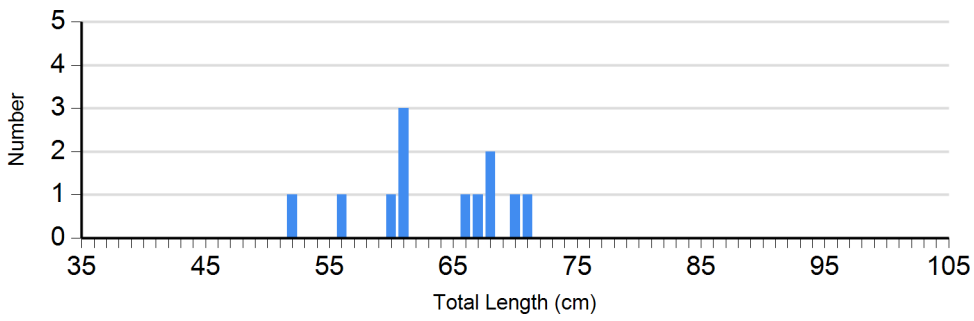
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Species: Common Carp
Gear: AFS std gill net

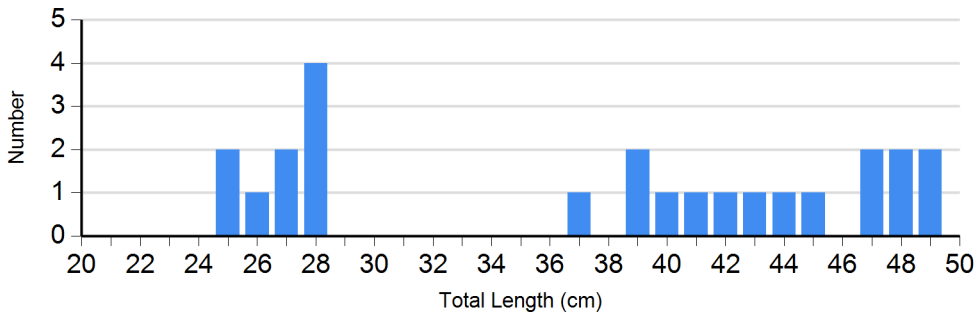


Species: Northern Pike
Gear: AFS std gill net



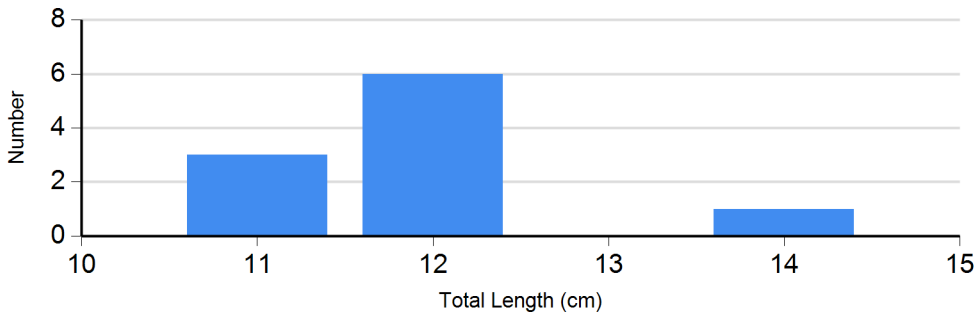
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Species: Saugeye
Gear: AFS std gill net



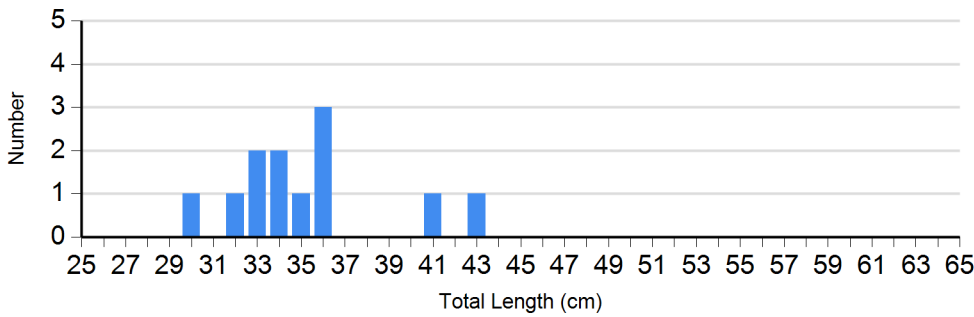
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Gear: std exp gill net

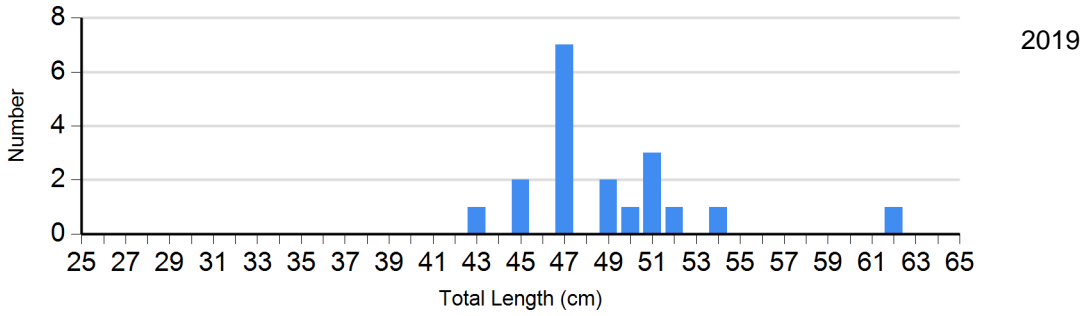
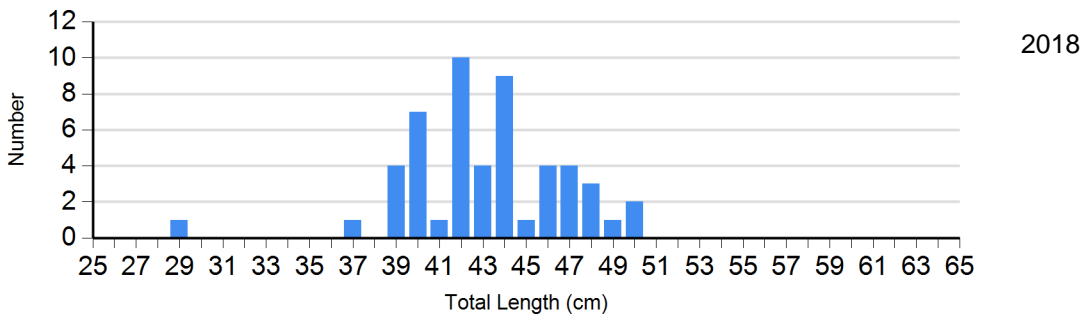


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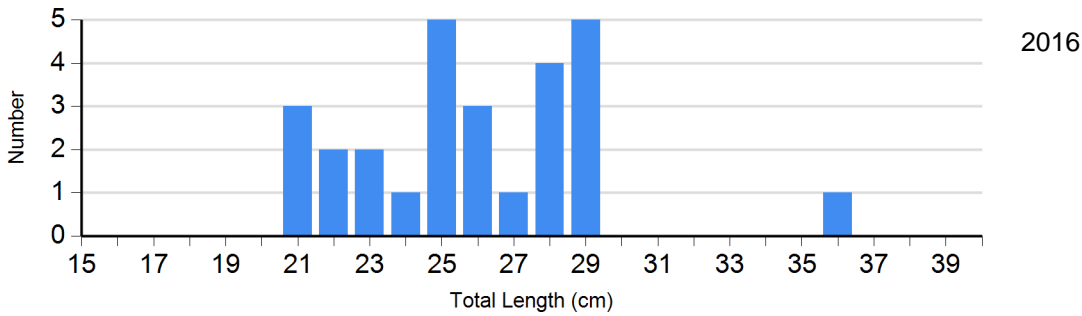
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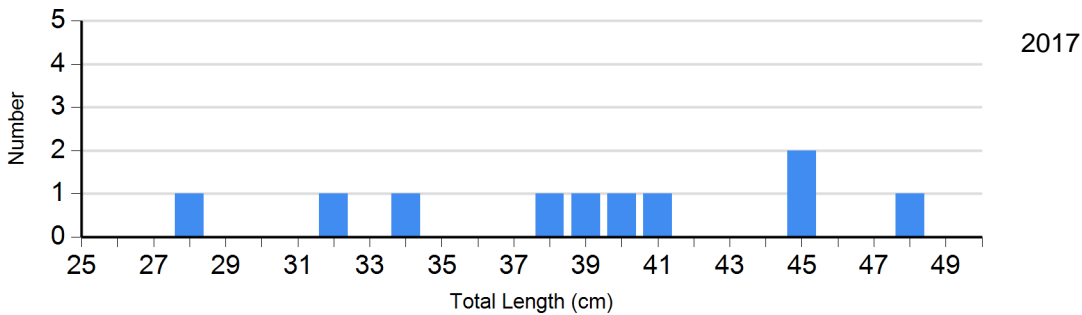
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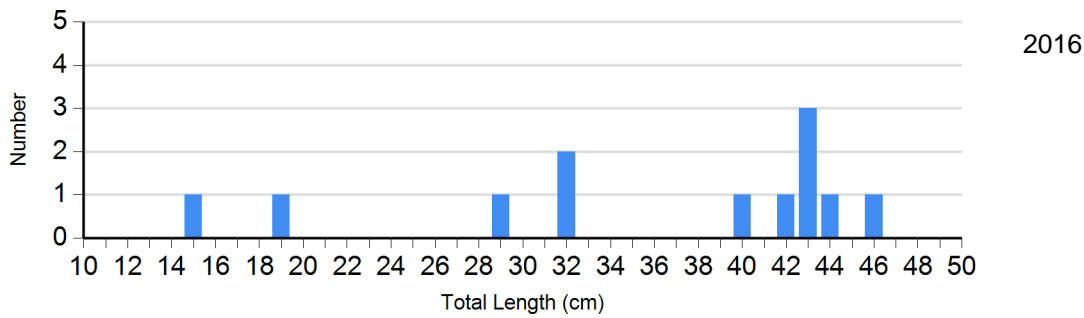
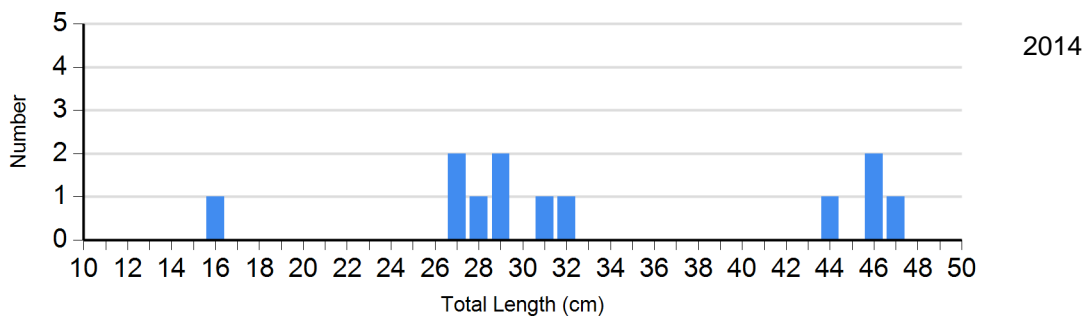
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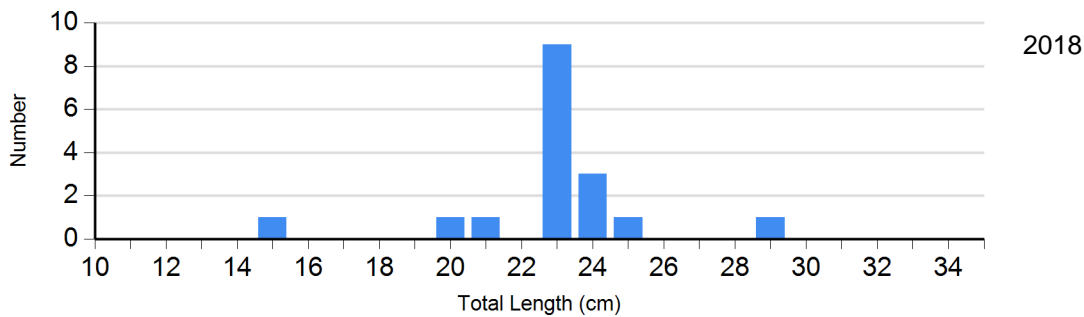
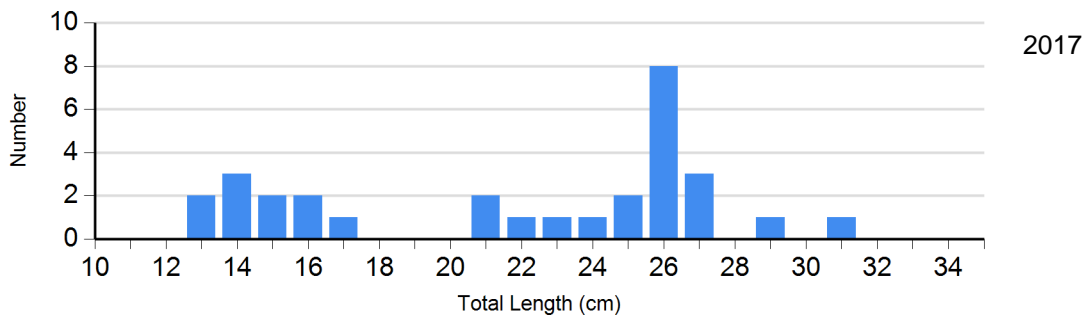
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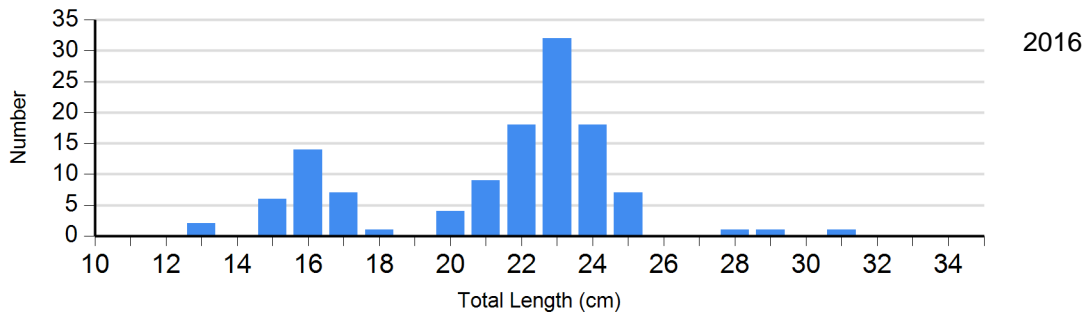
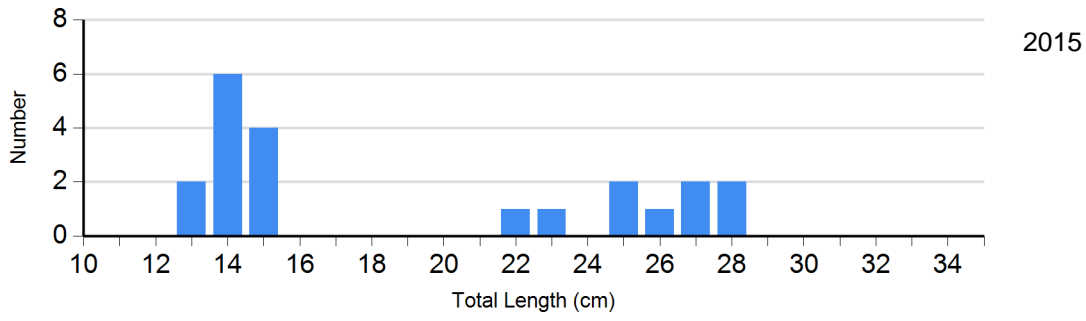
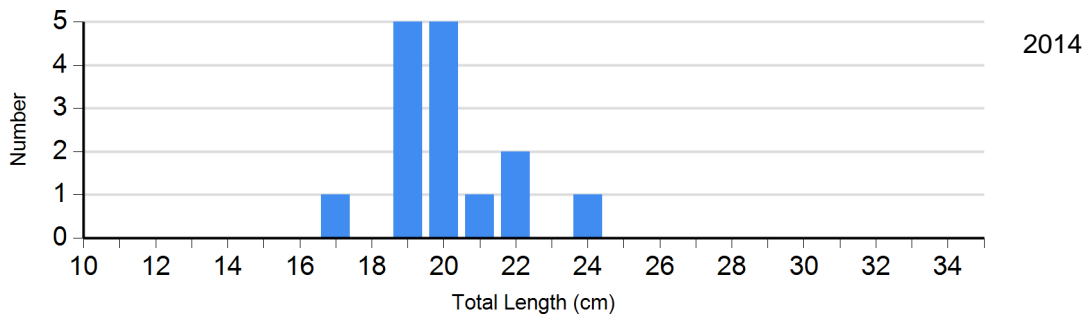
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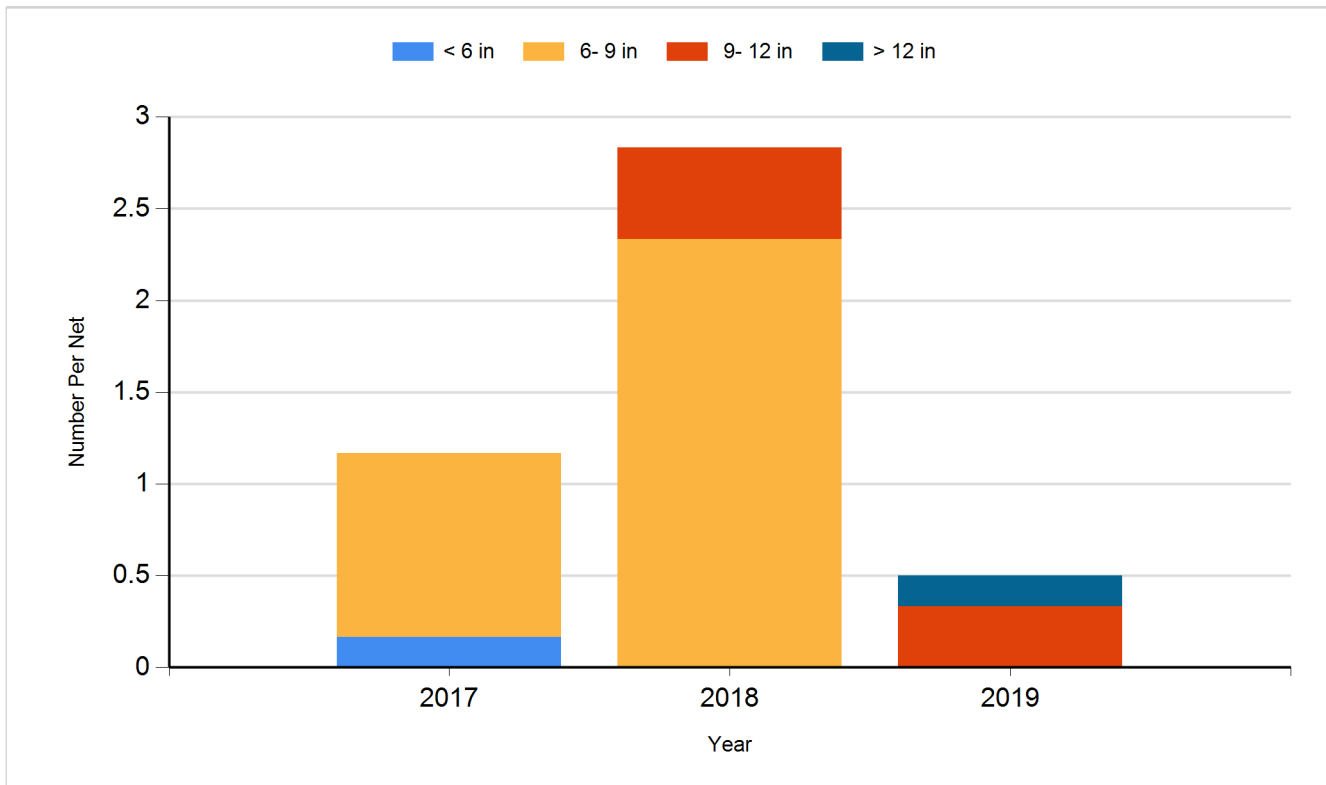


Historic Fish Sizes and Relative Abundance

Size distribution per net by color for species sampled by year.

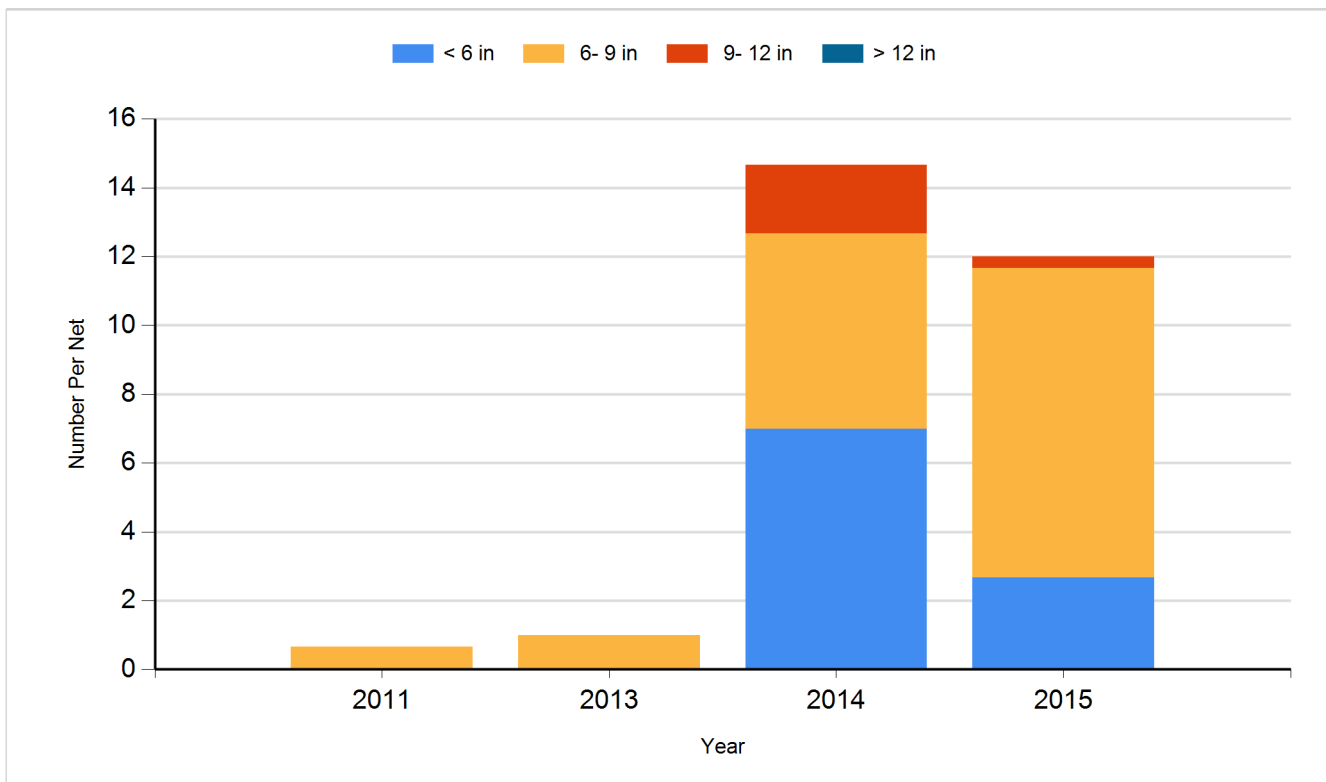
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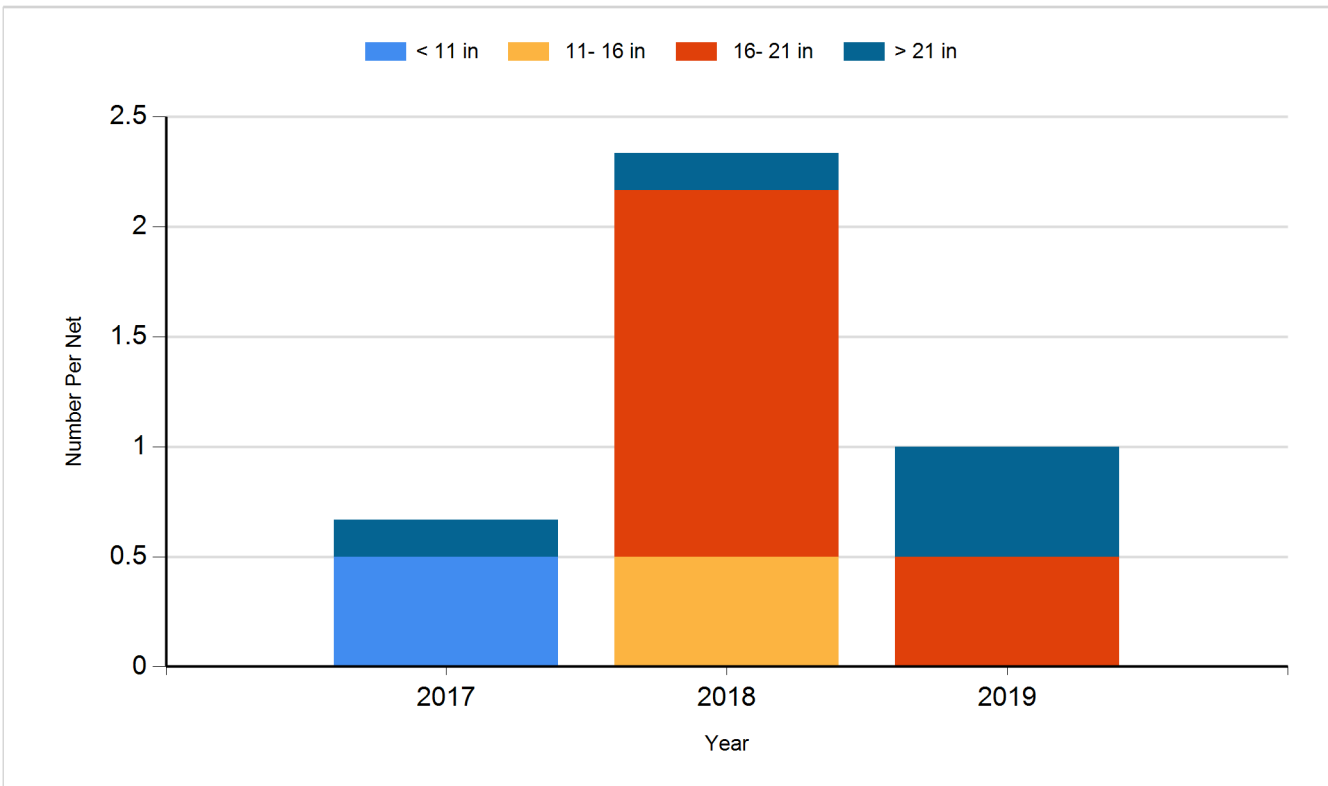


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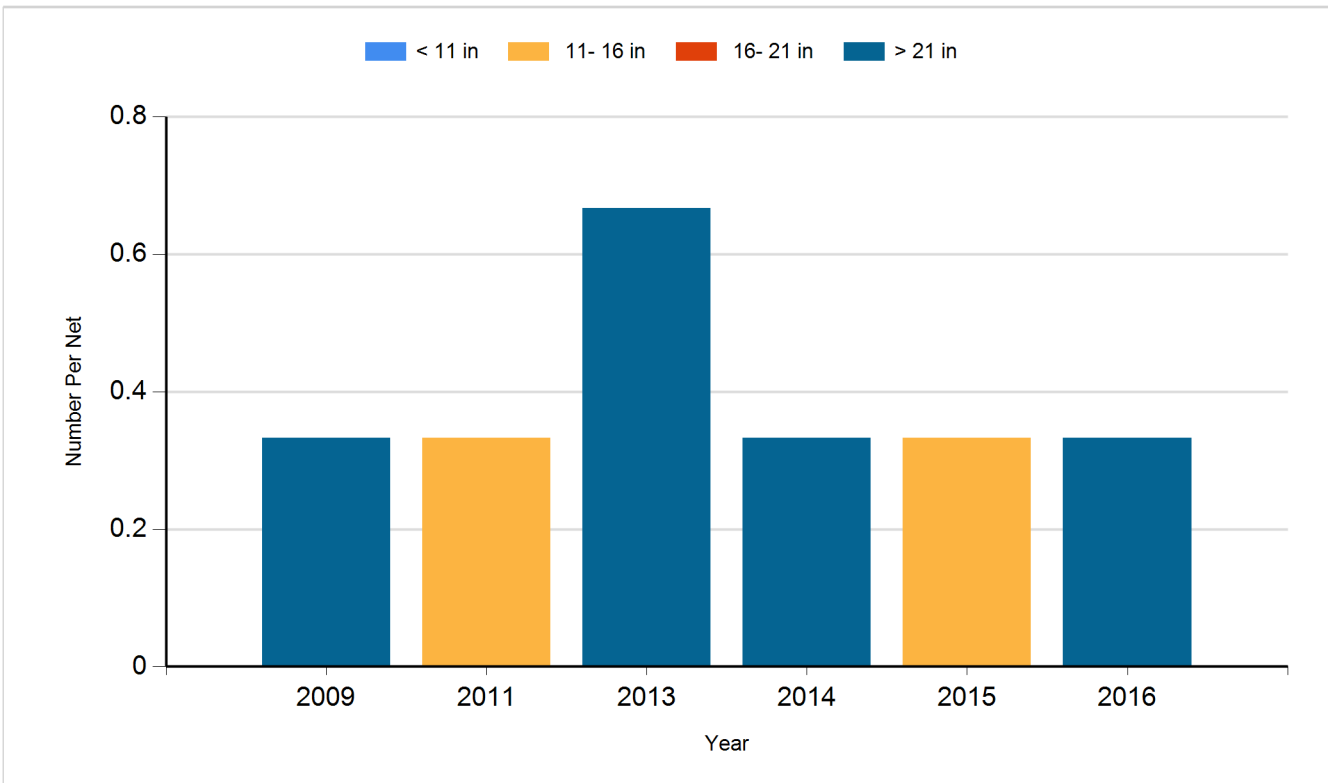
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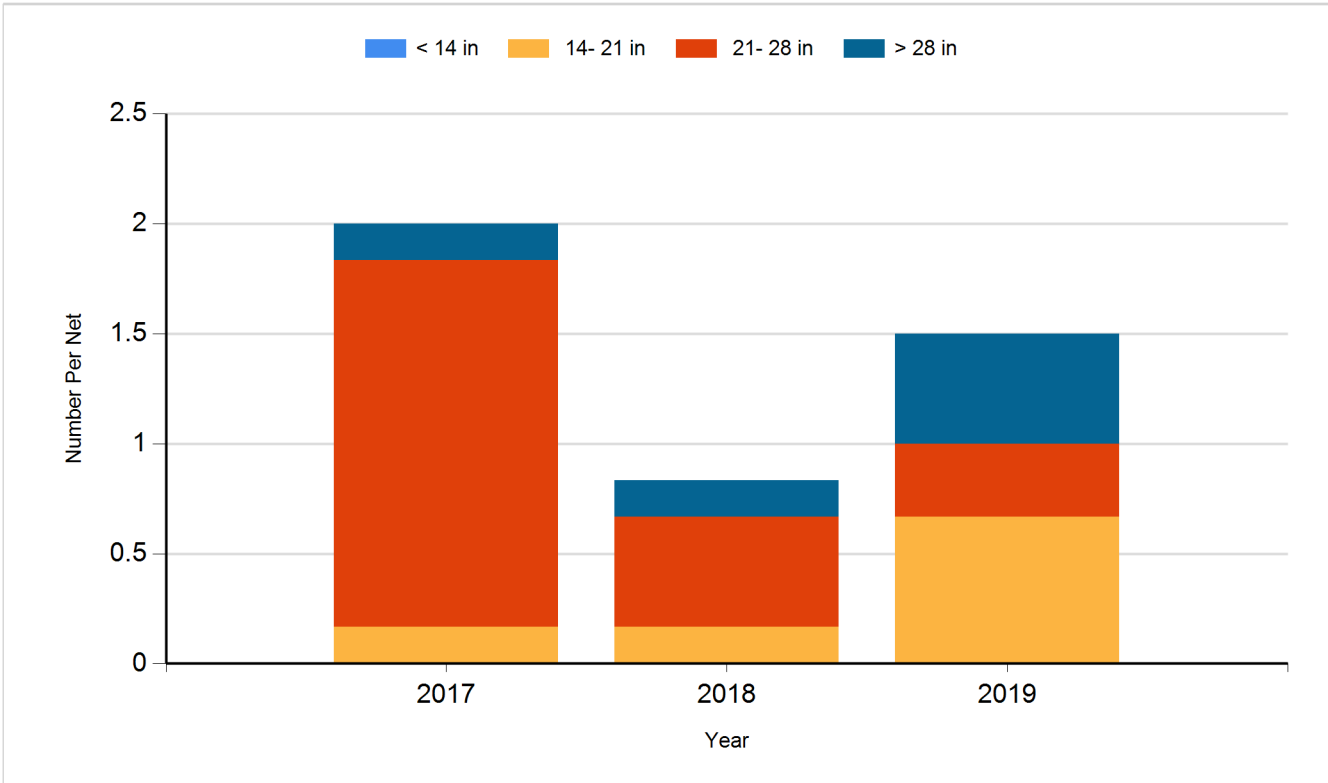
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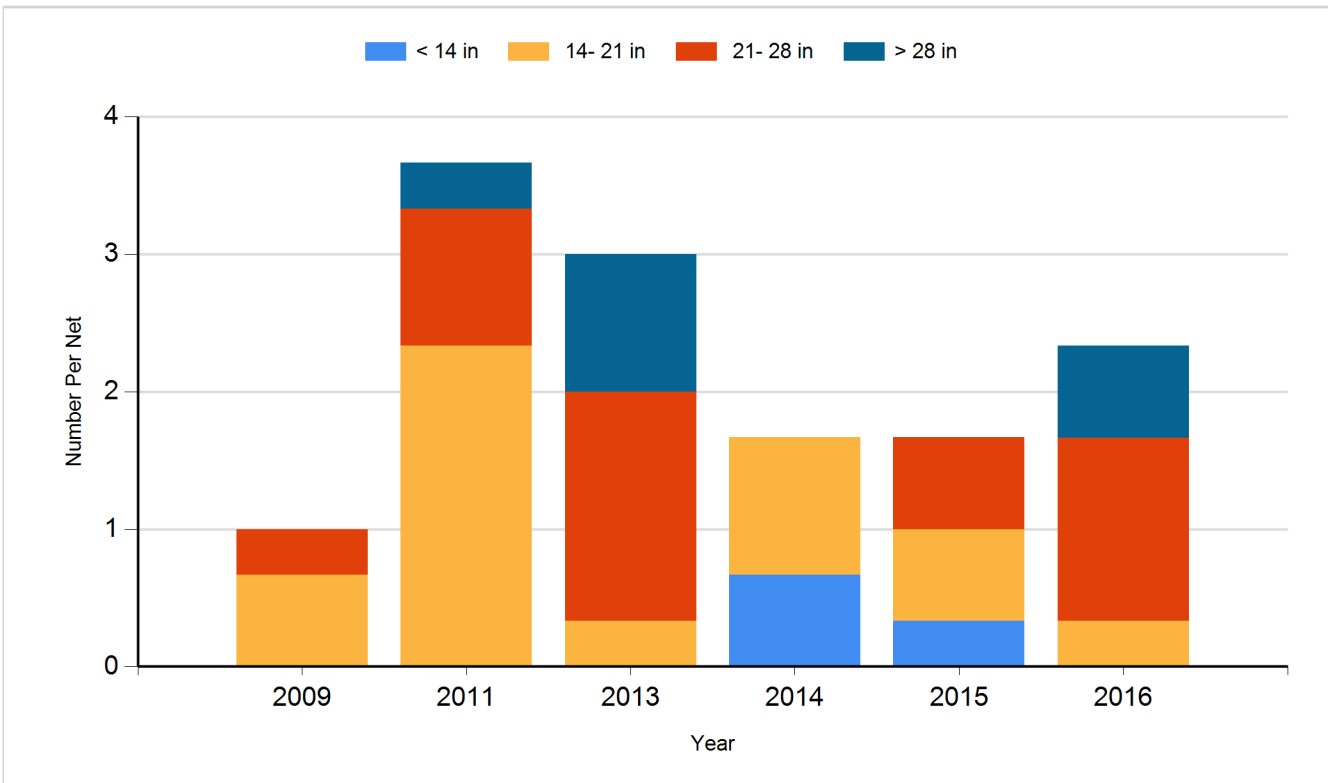
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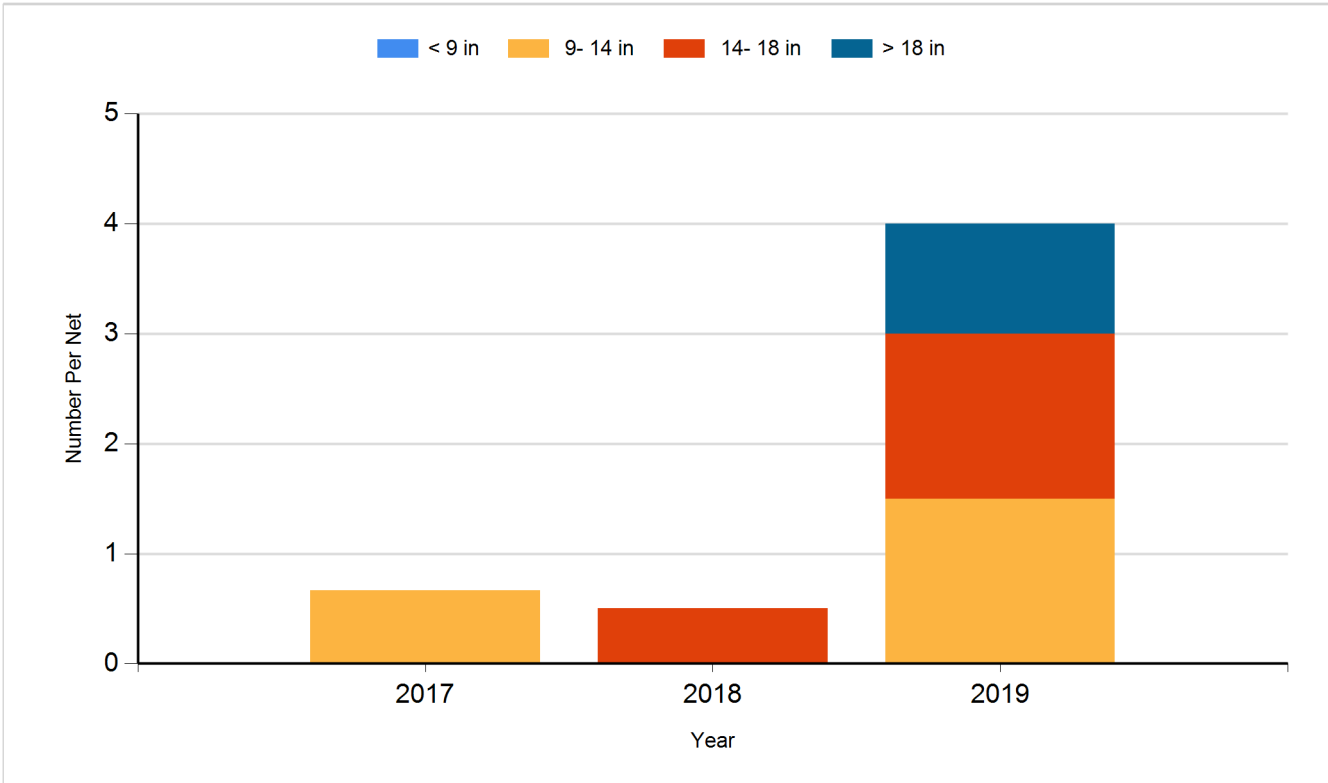
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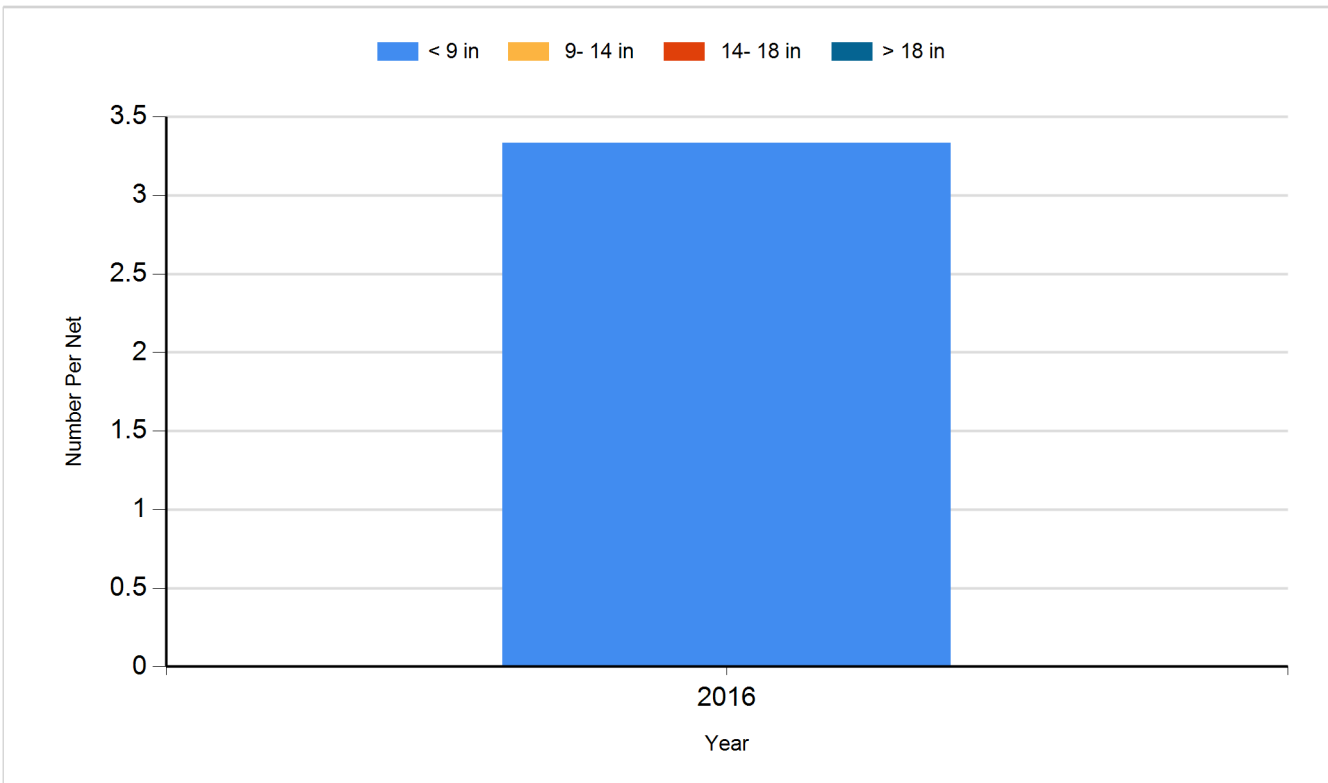
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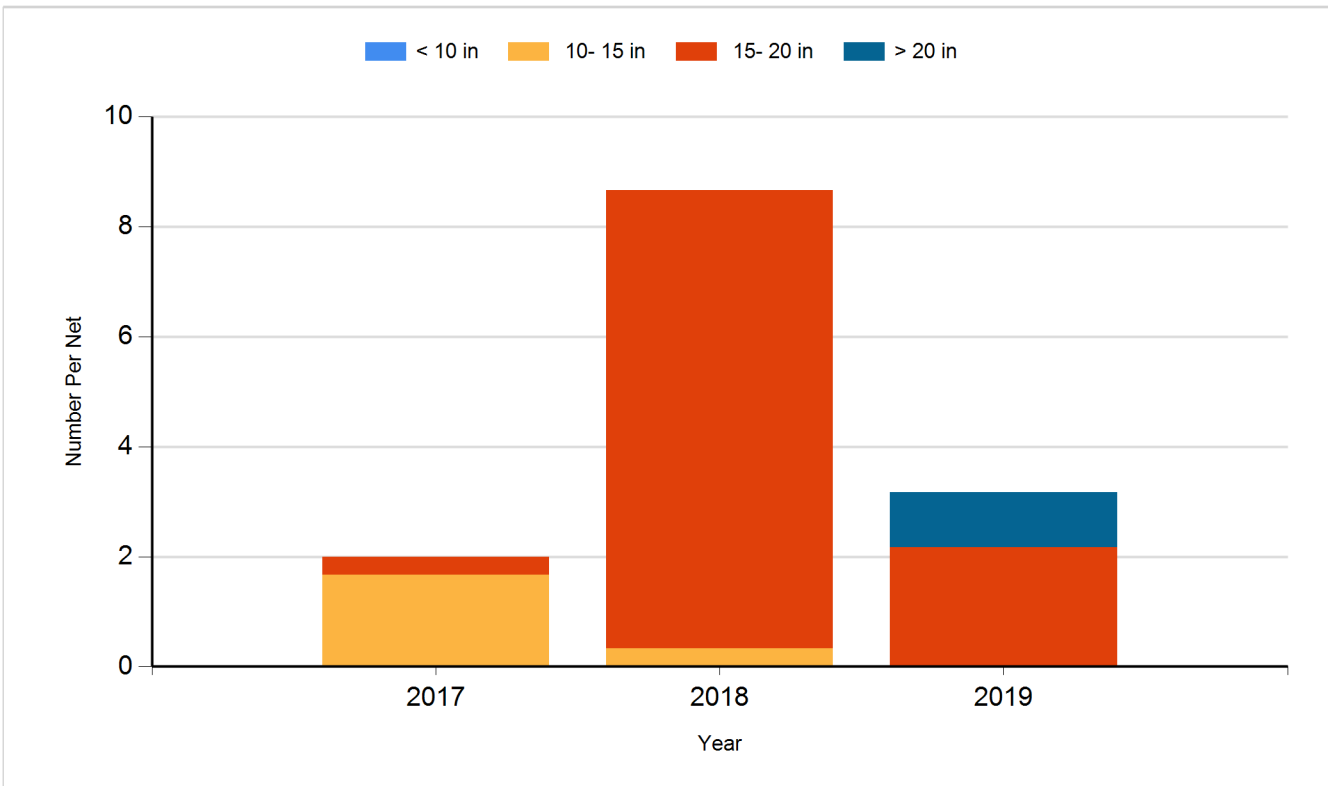
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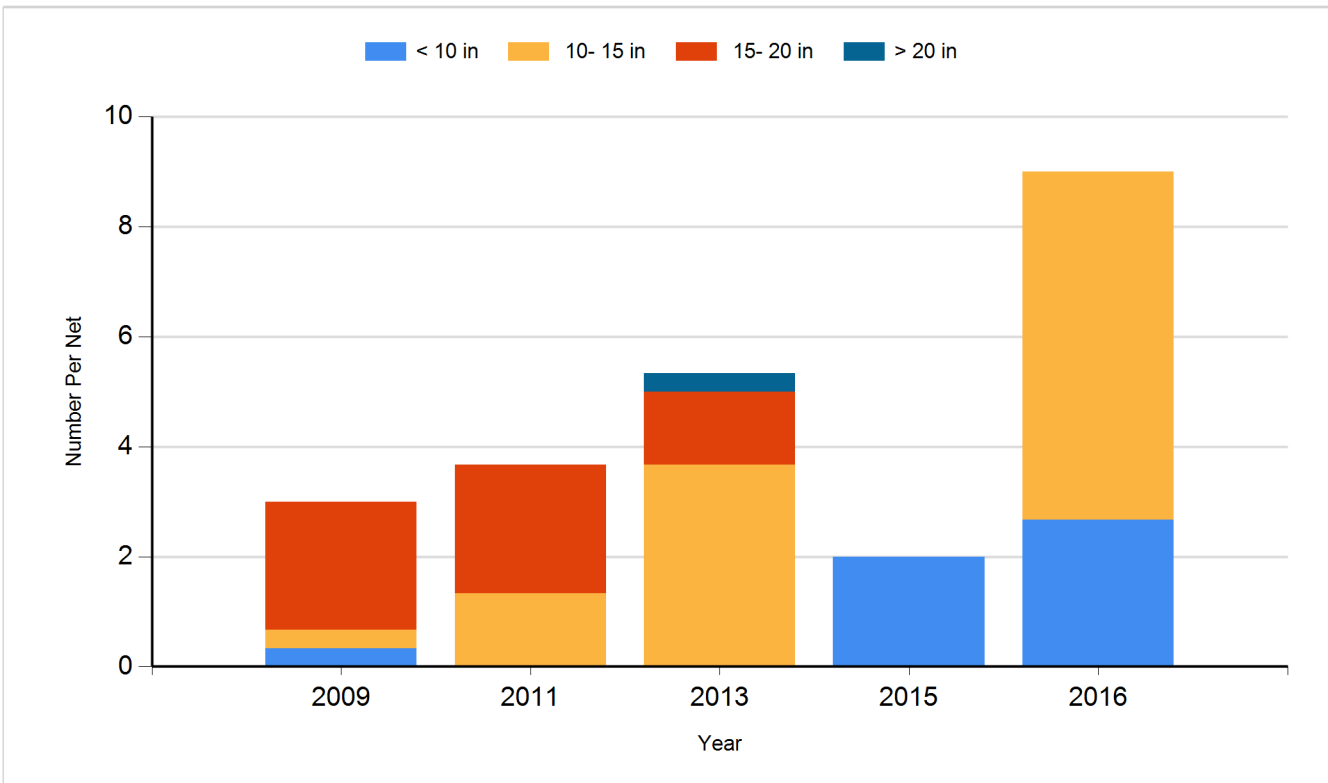
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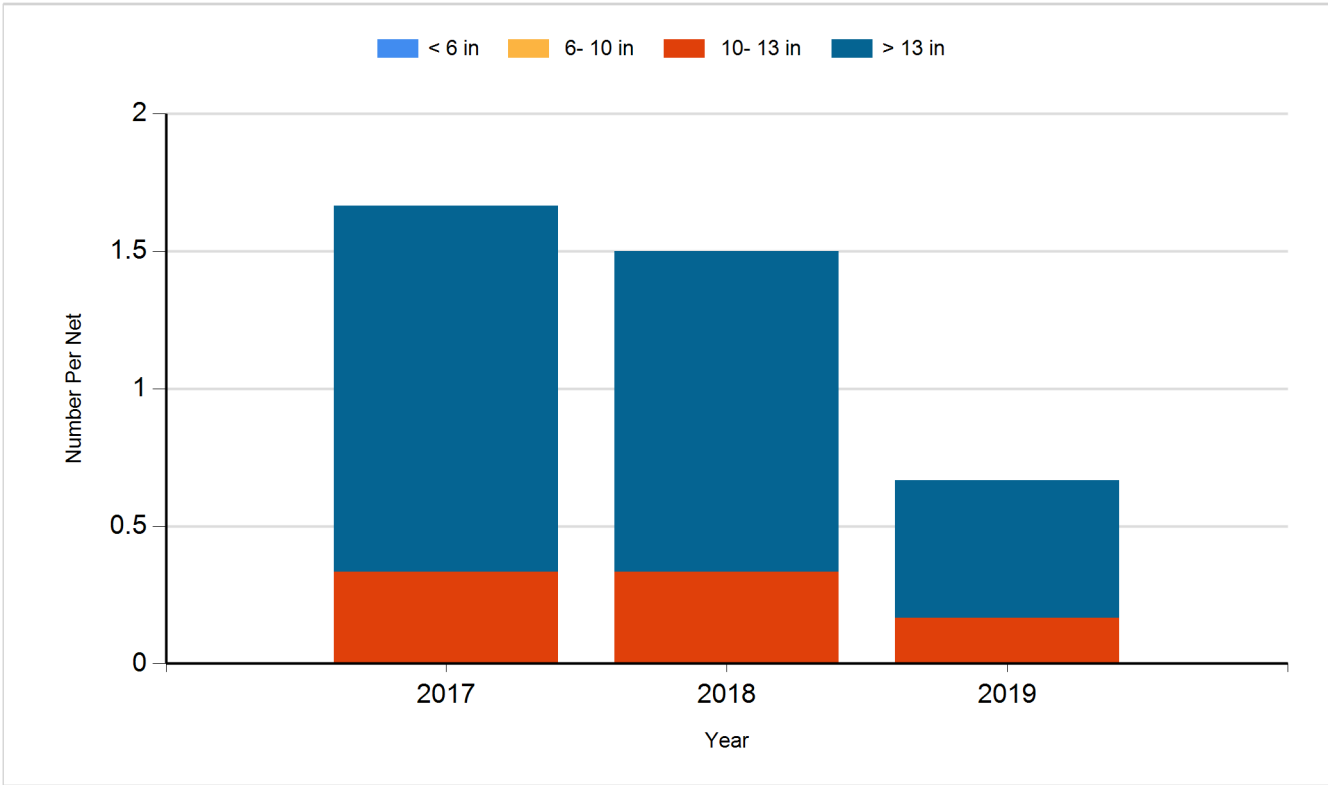
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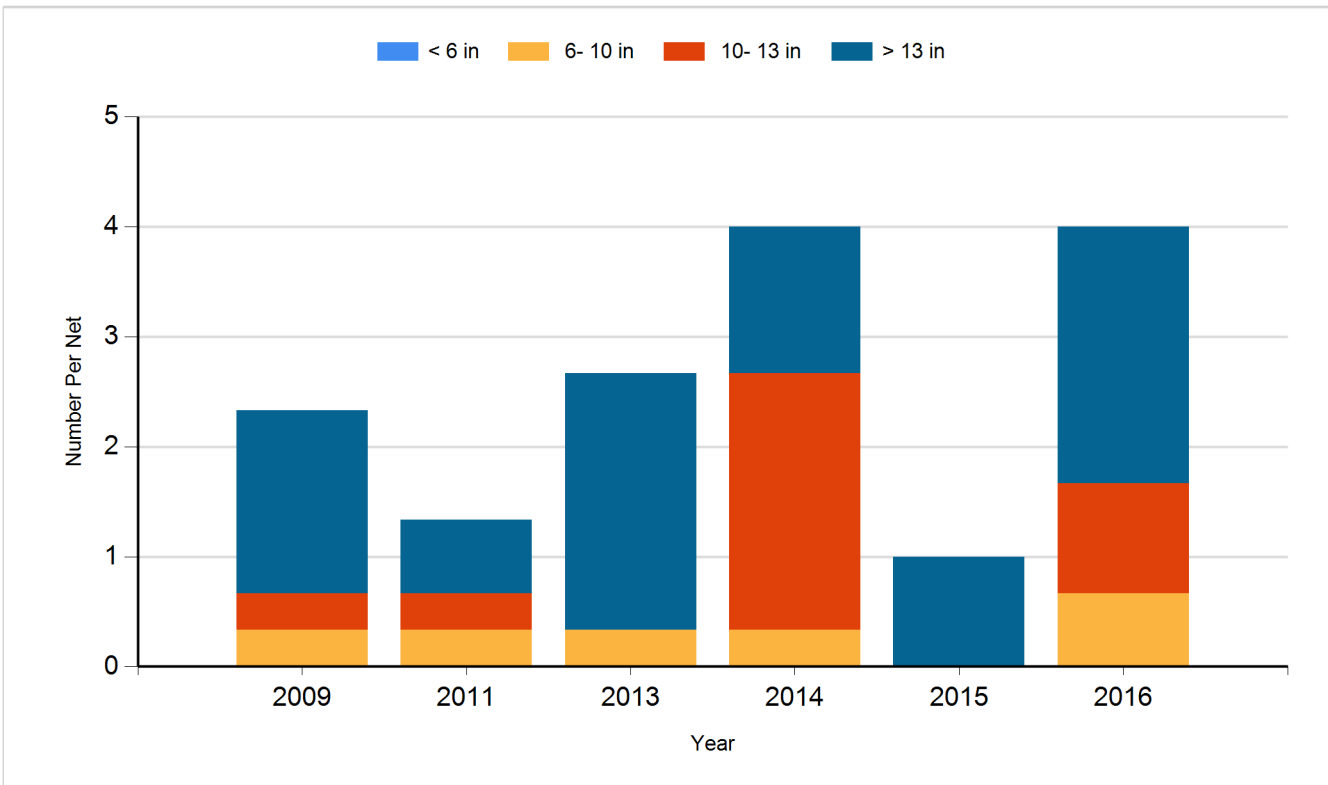
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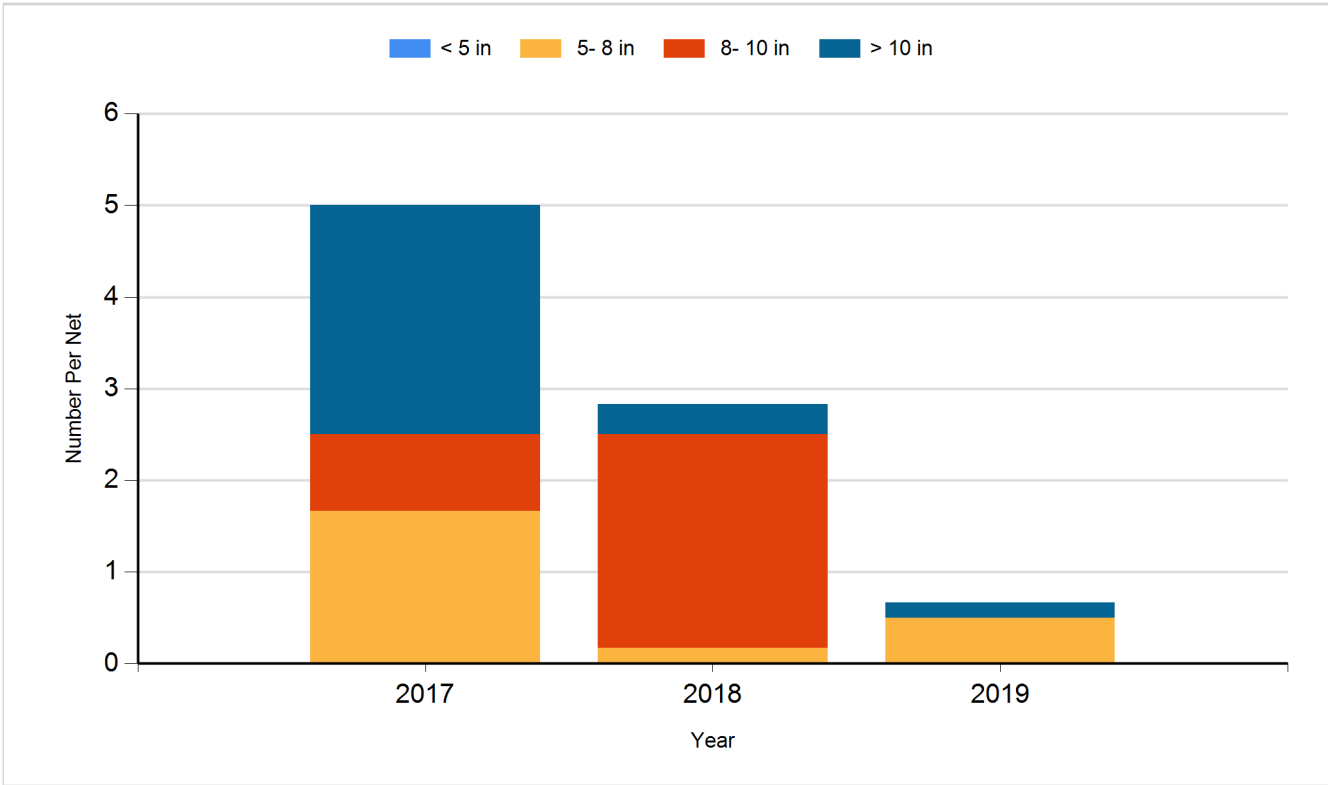
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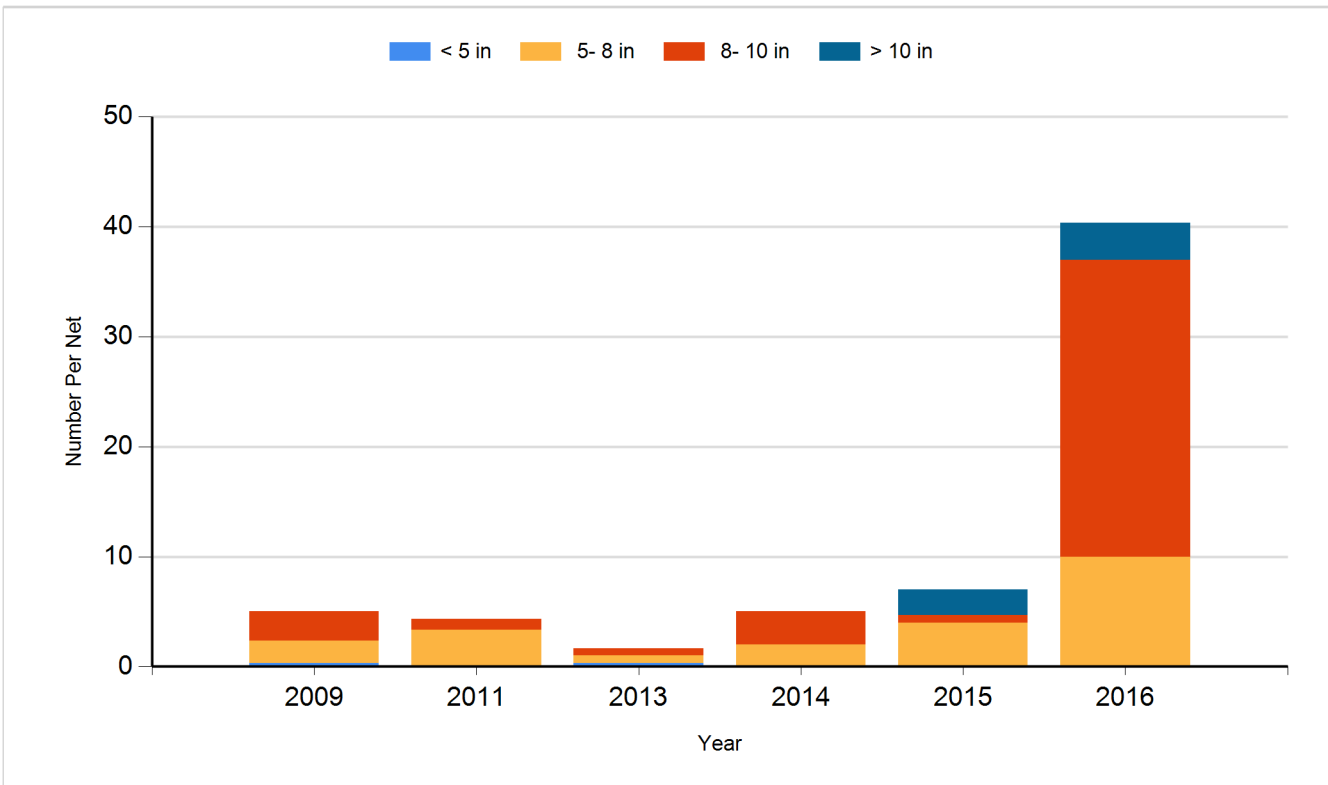
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Fish Stocking

Number of fish stocked by year, species, and size.

Year	Species	Size	Number
2008	Walleye	Small Fingerling	30,000
2009	Walleye	Fingerling	2,991
2009	Walleye	Large Fingerling	846
2010	Walleye	Small Fingerling	32,640
2011	Walleye	Large Fingerling	172
2011	Yellow Perch	Adult	2,280
2011	Yellow Perch	Small Fingerling	145,920
2012	Walleye	Juvenile	1,350
2014	Walleye	Fry	300,000
2015	Walleye	Small Fingerling	20,480
2016	Saugeye	Small Fingerling	31,030
2018	Saugeye	Small Fingerling	20,550
2019	Saugeye	Small Fingerling	21,120
