# Chub mackerel (Scomber colias) CECAF area data from IEO

Divisions 34.1.2 and 34.1.3-34.3.1

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# THE CANARY ISLANDS

## **AVAILABLE SO FAR (since 2013 up to date-DCF)**

### FISHING ACTIVITY

- Artisanal fleet
- Evolution: number, technical features, catches, effort, CPUE (Official Spanish Data)
- Discards estimations scientific observers (since 2017)

### **LENGTH SAMPLING**

- Monthly at harbour, in the lab & on board (Concurrent Sampling)
- Length Composition of Catches and discards

## **BIOLOGICAL INFORMATION** (monthly sampling at lab)

Length, Weight, Sex, Maturity stages, Otolith extraction, Age determination

**CECAF/FAO** Working Group on the assessment of small pelagic fish off Northwest Africa for future assessment (LCA, Data-poor models...)

PILOT ACOUSTIC SURVEY (since 2016. No results so far)

**PROJECTS** Artisanal Fisheries – Small Pelagic

ICES WKARCM (otolith exchange)

## **RESULTS** (Publications, Oral, Poster)

- Artisanal Fisheries: Small Pelagic
- Biology: Length, weight
- Growth: Structures / Protocols ...
- Influence of oceanographic parameters
- Parasites
- Heavy metals content

# **MAURITANIA (NW AFRICA)**

## IN THE PAST (from 2004 to 2012/2014-DCF)

## FISHING ACTIVITY EU FLEET (Landing in Las Palmas)

- Pelagic-freezer trawlers (decreasing activity)
- Evolution: number, technical features, catches, effort, CPUE (IEO Data)

#### LENGTH SAMPLING

- Quarterly in the lab, at least
- Length Composition of Catches

## **BIOLOGICAL INFORMATION** (quarterly sampling in the lab)

Length, Weight, Sex, Maturity stages, Otolith extraction, Age determination (Specific study)

**CECAF/FAO** Working Group on the assessment of small pelagic fish off Northwest Africa (Biodyn, XSA...)

**PROJECTS** Small Pelagic NW Africa

ICES WKARCM (workshop and otolith exchange)

## **RESULTS** (Publications, Oral, Poster)

- Fishery description and evolution
- Length Composition
- Biology: L-W, Reproductive aspects:
   Sex-ratio, first maturity, spawning
- Age and Growth study
- Natural mortality
- Influence of oceanographic parameters