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Executive summary

This report has been prepared in support of the Abstraction Licence Renewal for Pembroke Power Station. It is part of a suite of documents to provide the relevant information and analysis requested by NRW.

This report is provided to respond to the following request from NRW to RWE:

Provision of updated EAVs for the entrapment data: This has not yet been provided. A review has been conducted by Jacobs which showed various differences in parameters from recently published literature that could influence the EAV values. Please provide this data.

The report presents a summary of the original literature review undertaken for the lifetable work as well as the findings of a further review and sensitivity. Despite the sensitivity only detecting a potential reason to update the plaice lifetable, all of those that had new data were updated and a review on the impact of the assessments made.

The updated lifetables have been used to look at the effect of the changes on the EAV calculations for both the entrainment and impingement data. The results indicate that despite updated life history data being available, there is little to no observable impact on the EAV calculations and therefore no change to the conclusions of the reports supporting the abstraction licence renewal.

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1. Introduction

This report has been prepared as part of the series of documents to support the Abstraction Licence renewal for Pembroke Power Station. The suite of documents provides the relevant information requested by NRW in their letter dated 11th June 2024, reference PAN-025790.

1.1 Abstraction

Water is abstracted year round from Pennar Gut for non-evaporative cooling of RWE Generation UK plc's (RWE) Pembroke Power Station. Cooling water is drawn from Pennar Gut, at the mouth of the Pembroke River, and discharged back into Milford Haven. The current licence (see below) is due to expire on the 31st March 2025.

The existing licence (22/61/06/0156) was originally granted by Environment Agency Wales (EA) on the 3rd February 2009, and reissued by National Resource Wales (NRW) on the 21st November 2014 to reflect the change in name of the Competent Authority. The licence allows for the following maximum quantities of water to be abstracted from Pennar Gut, Pembroke Dock (NGR SM9365402652):

- 144,000 cubic metres per hour
- 3,456,000 cubic metres per day
- 1,200,000,000 cubic metres per year
- at an instantaneous rate not exceeding 40 cubic metres per second.

1.2 Document Aim

The aim of this report is to provide the additional information requested by NRW in their PAN-025790 letter, specifically:

Provision of updated EAVs for the entrainment data: This has not yet been provided. A review has been conducted by Jacobs which showed various differences in parameters from recently published literature that could influence the EAV values. Please provide this data.

This document provides the following elements to response to NRW's concerns:

- Summary of the information already provided to NRW.
- Output of the detailed sensitivity analysis undertaken on the lifetables.
- Influence of updates on lifetable data on entrainment data.

2. Initial Sensitivity Review

A review of recent literature published was conducted with respect to the Equivalent Adult Value (EAV) life table parameters. The primary focus of the review was to look at new data that is relevant to the Milford Haven/Irish Sea area and identify whether any are available that may be used to update the original 2013/2016 life tables created for the Pembroke Equivalent Adult Value (EAV) analysis.

2.1 Methods

Lifetables require data such as age-specific fecundity, survivorship and weight-at-age which is derived from published literature. The applicability of the EAV method is therefore limited to those species for which adequate life history data are available which are often the more studied commercial species. In Pembroke, EAV analysis has been performed for larval and juvenile stages of seven species. These are:

- Bass (*Dicentrarchus labrax*)
- Herring (*Clupea harengus*)
- Sprat (*Sprattus sprattus*)
- Sandeel (*Ammodytes*)
- Sand goby (*Pomatoschistus minutus*)
- Plaice (*Pleuronectes platessa*)
- Whiting (*Merlangius merlangus*)

Literature searches were undertaken on these seven species and any information relating to any of the following parameters were searched for according to each species or group, as applicable:

- Lifespan
- Spawning duration
- Lifestages - duration of
- Ageing - length at age/stage, growth rate
- Natural mortality
- Fishing mortality
- Fecundity
- Sex ratio
- Percent maturity

2.2 Outcome

The literature review undertaken indicated that much of the more recent data (where they are available) are within the range of those utilised within the original lifetables. However, some new data did differ and a high level sensitivity analysis was undertaken on the following species and parameters, to determine whether the associated EAVs may be subject to change:

- Bass (length at age, natural mortality, fishing mortality and percent maturity)
- Sprat (lifespan and fecundity)
- Herring (proportion mature, fishing mortality)
- Sandeel (duration of lifestages)

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- Plaice (fishing mortality and maturity)
- Whiting (Lifespan duration, natural mortality and fishing mortality)

3. Detailed Sensitivity Analysis

Following on from the literature searches outlined in Section 2 above, a more detailed review was undertaken that also took into consideration any variations in EAV methodology used in the fish impact assessments undertaken during the consenting of the Hinkley Point C (HPC) New Nuclear Build by Cefas (2019¹). The revised Cefas methods are set out in public documents presented to the HPC Public Inquiry. Appendix A presents the detailed findings of this review and are summarised below.

3.1 Methods

In undertaking the review, the standard EAV Method was used in the updates, along with the Cefas variation which relates to estimation of the natural mortality rate for both juvenile and adult age groups of the stock. Once the lifetables were updated, a sensitivity analysis was undertaken to compare the lifetime EAV trajectories. This would allow comparisons to be made of calculated EAVs for the different sets of input data against specific cases:

- Baseline 2013 Pembroke data
- Updated cases (following 2024 literature review)
- Cefas cases (estimates using Gislason methodology (2010²)

3.2 Results

The study has highlighted the following:

- for some species, impact assessments based on the original Pembroke lifetables give more conservative results (i.e. a greater number of equivalent adults) than updated values, therefore updated lifetables would provide a lesser effect.
- Where the remaining species' updated figures are not conservative they actually fall below the Cefas adopted 95% lower limit EAVs, and it can be reasonably concluded that the updated changes are not significant.
- There is only one species where the updated figures fall outside of the 95% confidence limit, i.e., plaice.

¹ Cefas (2019). Revised Predictions of Impingement Effects at Hinkley Point c – 2018 Editions 2. BEEMS Technical Report No. 456. HPC-DEVO24-XX-000-RET-100031, 165pp.

² Gislason, H., Daan, N., Rice, J.C., Pope, J.G. (2010). Size, growth, temperature and the natural mortality of marine fish. Fish. 11, 149-158.

4. Updated EAVs

Following on from the detailed sensitivity review an assessment has been made of the impact of the updated lifetables on the EAVs calculated for entrainment and impingement. Whilst EAVs are also calculated for the impinged fraction, it is the entrained fraction that is likely to be affected by changes in life table data owing to the life stages present. The impinged fraction are largely made up of adult fish where the EAV would equal one, therefore amendment of the life tables would not greatly affect the results presented.

Despite the above review only indicating a potential change for Plaice, a review of all updated tables was undertaken for data from 2020 and 2021.

The reporting of the monitoring programme has been amended to be a bi-annual interpretive report with summary reports provided in the interim. As such, the EAV data for 2022 has not been presented to date and will be part of the 2023 interpretive reporting where the updated lifetables will be used.

4.1 Entrainment EAVs

The effect of the updated lifetables is presented in the following table (Table 1) where the existing EAV numbers for entrainment are presented alongside the updated figures. It should be noted that not all lifetables were updated following literature review therefore updated EAVs are not presented for all species. Entrainment surveys are undertaken between mid-April and mid-August as per the agreed Pembroke environmental monitoring programme, as this captures the peak spawning period in the Haven. During 2020, restrictions imposed by the global pandemic resulted in a reduced survey programme between July and beginning of September for entrainment. Therefore only three sampling events allowing EAV analysis were undertaken.

Table 1: EAV data presented for entrainment data using original lifetables and updated lifetables as comparison. * sample taken in September owing to the pandemic.

| Taxa | Extrapolated abundance | Original | | Updated | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| | | Extrapolated EAV | Percentage (%) reduction | Extrapolated EAV | Percentage (%) reduction |
| 2020 (July to early September* only due to restrictions imposed by Covid19) | | | | | |
| Gobiidae | 10,346,373 | 10,346 | 99.9 | No updates as lifetable not used for Gobiidae | |
| 2021 (Mid April to Mid August) | | | | | |
| Herring | 103,345 | 14 | >99.9 | 14 | >99.9 |
| Sprat | 79,632 | 42,432 | 46.7 | 41,863 | 47.4 |
| Clupeidae - (assuming all individuals are sprat) | 167,927 | 43,701 | 74.0 | 42,642 | 74.5 |
| Clupeidae - (assuming all individuals are herring) | 167,927 | 1,182 | 99.3 | 1,182 | 99.3 |
| Whiting | 958,001 | 46 | >99.9 | 31 | >99.9 |
| Sea bass | 81,615 | 1 | >99.9 | 0.3 | >99.9 |
| Gobiidae | 42,317,906 | 42,318 | >99.9 | No updates as lifetable not used for Gobiidae | |

It is clear from the updates undertaken that there is no significant change in the data presented, and in all cases (in Table 1), the extrapolated EAV reduces with the updated life history data. This is largely a result of the updated literature affecting the larger size classes of fish. In the analysis undertaken, once a fish reaches a

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size where the EAV is equivalent to 1, then larger sizes are also classed as 1 (they equate to one adult lost from the population).

Plaice are only rarely entrained at the station (only recorded from 2015 and 2018) and therefore were not presented within Table 1. To provide an overview of the effect of the updated life table on Plaice EAV numbers, example data have been used and the original and updated life table parameters applied to show the effect on the EAV calculations (Table 2).

Table 2: Hypothetical Plaice EAV data presented using original lifetables and updated lifetables as comparison.

| Taxa | Extrapolated abundance | Original | | Updated | |
|--------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| | | Extrapolated EAV | Percentage (%) reduction | Extrapolated EAV | Percentage (%) reduction |
| Plaice | 103,345.22 | 227 | 99.8 | 409 | 99.6 |

For plaice the update lifetable would result in a higher EAV; however, the percentage change is minimal (0.2%).

4.2 Impingement EAVs

The effect of the updated lifetables is presented in the following table (Table 2) where the existing EAV numbers for impingement are presented alongside the updated figures. It should be noted that not all lifetables were updated following literature review therefore updated EAVs are not presented for all species.

Table 3: EAV data presented for impingement data using original lifetables and updated lifetables as comparison.

| Taxa | Extrapolated abundance | Original | | Updated | |
|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| | | Extrapolated EAVs | Percentage (%) Reduction | Extrapolated EAVs | Percentage (%) Reduction |
| 2020 | | | | | |
| Herring | 722 | 109 | 85% | 103 | 86% |
| Clupeidae (as herring) | 5,063 | 288 | 94% | 271 | 95% |
| Sprat | 19,635 | 14,685 | 25% | 14,492 | 26% |
| Clupeidae (as sprat) | 5,063 | 3,820 | 25% | 3,773 | 25% |
| Sand goby | 7,911 | 3,655 | 54% | No update | |
| Bass | 2,710 | 36 | 99% | 4 | 99.9% |
| Whiting | 477 | 248 | 48% | 256 | 46% |
| 2021 | | | | | |
| Herring | 838 | 200 | 76% | 181 | 78% |
| Clupeidae (as herring) | 877 | 118 | 87% | 104 | 88% |
| Sprat | 19,200 | 14,879 | 23% | 14,749 | 23% |
| Clupeidae (as sprat) | 877 | 683 | 22% | 674 | 23% |
| Sand goby | 8,113 | 3,687 | 55% | No update | |

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| Taxa | Extrapolated abundance | Original | | Updated | |
|---------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| | | Extrapolated EAVs | Percentage (%) Reduction | Extrapolated EAVs | Percentage (%) Reduction |
| Bass | 451 | 5 | 99% | 2 | 99.9% |
| Whiting | 148 | 81 | 45% | 74 | 50% |

In general the EAVs calculated (Table 3) using the updated lifetables are lower than those obtained using the original life tables. The only exception is for whiting in 2020 where the size classes present resulted in a larger EAV being calculated. The increase is not large with the percentage change reducing by only 2% which is considered insignificant in an ecological context.

5. Conclusions

The data outlined above clearly show that the data presented in the reports to support the abstraction licence renewal was, on the whole, precautionary in the context of EAVs. The updated lifetables yield lower results and were found to be in line with the Cefas approach used at HPC.

The purpose of EAV analysis is to put entrapment catches into the context of commercial fishing which exploits adult fish above the Minimum Landing Size. An assessment of juvenile fish catches by power stations in terms of raw numbers assumes that all fish would have survived to adulthood and entered the commercial fishery had they not been entrapped. In reality, natural mortality among early life stages is extremely high and of the many eggs spawned, few will survive to adulthood and become available to the commercial fishery. Comparing raw numbers of entrapped juvenile fish directly to numbers removed by commercial fishing would therefore overestimate entrapment pressure on commercial fish stocks.

The relationship between the extrapolated EAV number and the extrapolated raw abundance is used to show the proportion of the raw abundance entrapped that would survive to adulthood and essentially have been removed from the system. It is this proportion that has been used to look at the effect of the updated life tables on the EAV figures presented.

For those species shown in Table 1, all proportions either did not change or increased, therefore indicating that the original life tables used in the application yielded more conservative results for entrainment (i.e. a greater number of equivalent adults was predicted).

For plaice (Table 2) the updated EAV presented a smaller proportion, therefore indicating that a larger number of equivalent adults was predicted compared to the original. This change is however minimal, as the difference in the proportions was only 0.2%, which in the context of ecological populations is insignificant. As stated in this document, plaice are rare within the entrained fraction having only been identified during 2015 and 2018.

For the impingement data shown in Table 3, most proportions either did not change or increased, therefore indicating that the original life tables used in the application yielded more conservative results for impingement. The only exception being Whiting in 2020 where the EAV increased with the updated life table. This change was not considered significant from an ecological perspective as the change was only 2% and data were within the same order of magnitude, with an increase of eight fish.

Now that the updates have been made, it is considered appropriate to use the updated lifetables in future reporting for the ongoing Pembroke environmental monitoring programme. An explanation will be provided to guide the reader to the changes in the data and how these have been processed and presented within the interpretive reporting.

Appendix A: Technical Memorandum - EAV Sensitivity Analysis 2024

RWE Pembroke EAV Sensitivity Analysis 2024

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Introduction

Jacobs UK Ltd (Jacobs, 2024) has carried out a review of literature published in order to update the original 2013/2016 fish Life Tables created for the Pembroke Equivalent Adult Value (EAV) analysis. This forms part of the ongoing post-commissioning monitoring of impacts of the Station's cooling water abstraction from the Pembroke River/Milford Haven waterway.

The EAV concept puts losses of fish of any given age into the context of adult populations by estimating the biological value of a fish had it avoided the impact, relative to that of an adult that has just reached the median age of maturation, which is used as a reference age. The EAV can therefore be seen as a standardising procedure that allows the biological value of fish at different ages to be compared to a standardised 'reference' fish.

The literature review indicated that many of the more recent data found were within the ranges of the original Pembroke lifetables. However, some new data differed sufficiently to merit a high level sensitivity analysis to determine the likely change in EAV outcomes. In particular, the following species and associated parameters were identified:

- Bass (length at age, natural mortality, fishing mortality and percent maturity)
- Sprat (lifespan and fecundity)
- Herring (proportion mature, fishing mortality)
- Sandeel (duration of lifestages)
- Plaice (fishing mortality and maturity)
- Whiting (Lifespan duration, natural mortality and fishing mortality).

Sand goby (*Pomatoschistus minutus*) were also included in the review but no additional relevant data were found.

Jacobs UK Ltd commissioned the present small study to look for any further updates to the above but also take into consideration any novel variations in EAV methodology used in Cefas (2019) fish impact assessments undertaken for the Hinkley Point C (HPC) New Nuclear Build. The revised Cefas methods are set out in public documents presented to the HPC Public Inquiry in support of EDF Energy's application to relax the requirement for use of Acoustic Fish Deterrent.

Methods

The Standard EAV Method

The established method for calculating EAV derives from Goodyear (1978), who applied the method to power plant impact assessment in the USA. The method was subsequently adopted in the UK by the Central Electricity Research Laboratories (Turnpenny, 1988) and has been used routinely in thermal power station impact assessments.

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Von Bertalanffy estimates are published for many different species and stocks and even where not found they can usually be readily estimated using just length-at-age data. Using Equation 3, the Gislason M value can be estimated for individuals of any length/age, making it readily usable in EAV calculations.

Before using the Gislason method in the HPC case, Cefas first compared values of Gislason M with published ICES values of M for the same stock. Generally these showed a good relationship between the two but for some species the Gislason value was considerably higher and a correction factor (CF) of dividing by between 1 and 2 was necessary to achieve comparable results. Cefas also concluded that a rough estimate of the 95% confidence limits could be made by dividing and multiplying the Gislason M by 4 for lower and upper limits respectively. In developing their assessment procedure, Cefas state:

"Stock size estimates are much less sensitive to underestimates of M and it is, therefore, common practice to set a conservative (low) value of M for stock assessment purposes."

and that:

"For impingement assessment purposes the concern is that M should not be overestimated; the higher the value of M, the lower the number of adult survivors and the lower the predicted effect of impingement. For sensitivity testing purposes it is low M values that are, therefore, of interest."

Cefas therefore propose that values M and M/4 are used for this purpose but not the upper value of 4*M.

Treatment of Jacobs EAV Spreadsheets

Baseline information for the earlier 2013 Pembroke analysis was supplied by Jacobs in the form of Excel Spreadsheets. These contain the full lifetable information used, as well as the formulae used to calculate EAVs. For the present investigation some adjustments to the supplied spreadsheets were necessary:

1. Some of the spreadsheets were supplied in numeric format without the underlying formulae; these were repopulated with the required formulae copied from the other spreadsheets to form a matching fully functional set.
2. It is a fundamental requirement that the EAV should have a value of unity at the age of 50% maturity (the latter is taken as the first age group in which a minimum of 50% are reported as mature). Final EAV values were standardised in all cases achieve this. This was done by dividing the age-specific EAVs by the calculated EAV at the age of 50% maturity.

Sensitivity Analysis

This was performed by running the spreadsheet EAV species models with alternative lifetable data to compare the lifetime EAV trajectories. These then allow comparisons to be made of calculated EAVs for the different sets of input data against specific cases, e.g. for modal year-class lengths shown in annual impingement records. The following cases were investigated:

1. **Baseline** cases (2013 Pembroke data).
2. **Updated** cases (substituting additional lifetable elements found in the Jacobs [2024] review plus any other relevant data found during the present task).
3. **Cefas** cases (estimates of M determined using the Gislason *et al.* [2010] methodology, also comparing EAVs for M and M/4 to bracket the range of interest); referred to as Gislason M and Gislason M/4. These cases also incorporate new values used in **Updated** cases for parameters other than M.

Size/age-specific values of Gislason M were calculated using Equation 3 above. Values of the Von Bertalanffy L_∞ and K from the most relevant/recent information were obtained from literature review.

Results

The results are presented by species below. Tables show the Original versus Updated and Cefas (Gislason, Gislason/4) method EAV estimates for different fish lengths (mm) and ages (days). Note that the Gislason/4 figures are used by Cefas as an approximation of lower 95% confidence limits. A colour-coding system has been used to highlight changes. Green indicates $\leq 100\%$ of Original EAV, indicating that original values are conservative. Amber is up to 20% above Original and probably should not be considered a significant change given the inherent variability in lifetable parameters. Red is $> 20\%$ above, indicating Originals may be underestimated based on present lifetable criteria and that impact assessments for these cases may merit reassessment. Cases showing in green or amber indicate that impact assessments based on the 'Original' Pembroke 2013 lifetables will give more conservative results and hence that the new lifetable information does not worsen the outcome. However, where Updated EAV figures fall below the Gislason/4 (quasi-95% lower limit) EAVs, it may reasonably be concluded that the changes are not significant and merit no further investigation.

| EAV relative to Original | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|
| $\leq 100\%$ | 100-120% | $> 120\%$ |
| Green | Yellow | Red |

Plots show EAV versus fish age and length for each species, in each case transecting at EAV=1.

While lifetables must necessarily span the full life history of a stock to account for lifetime reproductive capacity and EAV projections are shown for ages above initial 50% maturity, it is predominantly for the ages of fish below this threshold that EAVs are useful, since once entering the fishery fish have a face-value based on actual rather than potential weight. Variations above the EAV=1 point are therefore of less interest. An exception to this would be where statutory minimum landing sizes are significantly above this point.

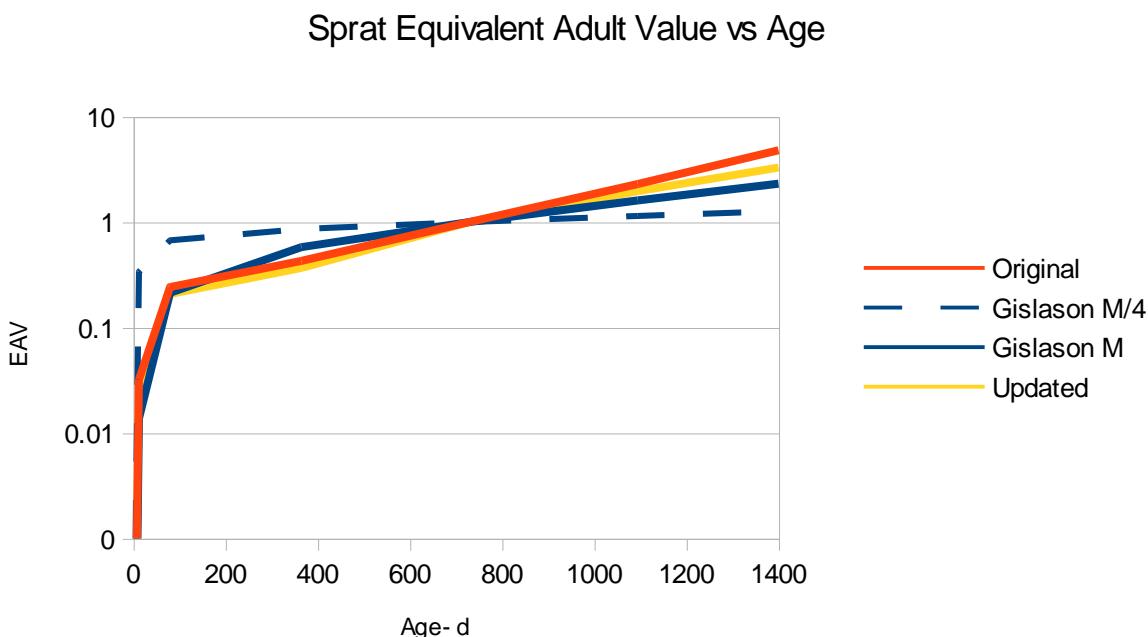
Original lifetables together with revised lifetables for the 3 cases (Updated, Cefas Gislason and Cefas Gislason/4) are presented in the Appendix. Revised lifetables include all amendments identified in Jacobs (2024) and other updates where shown. In the Cefas Gislason cases, size/age-specific values of M derived by the Gislason *et al.* (2010) equation override the other values where shown. All amended values are highlighted in orange.

1. Sprat

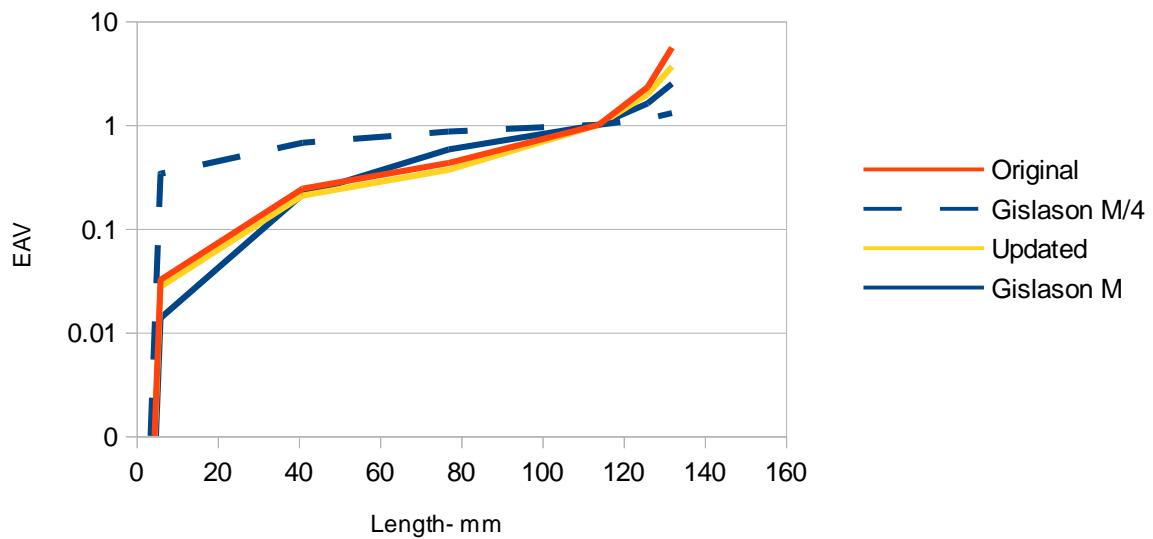
The Jacobs (2024) review identified a maximum lifespan for sprat in the Bristol Channel/Bridgwater Bay of 3 years and lifetables were revised to reflect this. Lifetime fecundity estimates vary with M and 'Update' figure is in line with quoted total figure of ~14,800. 'Updated' figures show in green indicating that the 2013 assessment remains conservative. The EAV plots below show that all cases fall below M/4 line indicative of the 95% limits. Although the 77mm stage is in the red zone the overall picture suggests that existing assessments remain appropriate.

Von Bertalanffy growth coefficients used for the Gislason estimates of M for sprat were $L_{\infty}=15.2\text{cm}$, $K=0.58$, which were mid-range values from Hunter *et al.* (2019) for North Sea and West of Scotland, and from Isles and Johnson (1962) for Western England. Cefas (2019) provide a Gislason Correction Factor (CF) of 1.9 for sprat.

| Length (mm) | Age (d) | Standardised EAV | | | | Sensitivity | |
|-------------|---------|------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | Updated | Gislason M | Gislason M/4 | Updated | Gislason M |
| 3.0 | 3.5 | 2.60E-005 | 2.23E-005 | 1.11E-005 | 0.0002744 | 86% | 43% |
| 6.0 | 12.5 | 0.0319 | 0.0274 | 0.0137 | 0.3369 | 86% | 43% |
| 41 | 80 | 0.2417 | 0.2076 | 0.2133 | 0.6695 | 86% | 88% |
| 77 | 365 | 0.4274 | 0.3671 | 0.5773 | 0.8587 | 86% | 135% |
| 114 | 730 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100% | 100% |
| 126 | 1095 | 2.2933 | 1.9621 | 1.6010 | 1.1419 | 86% | 70% |
| 132 | 1460 | 5.5290 | 3.6364 | 2.4811 | 1.2933 | 66% | 45% |
| 139 | 1825 | 13.3298 | | | | | |
| 145 | 2190 | 32.1367 | | | | | |



Sprat Equivalent Adult Value vs Length



2. Plaice

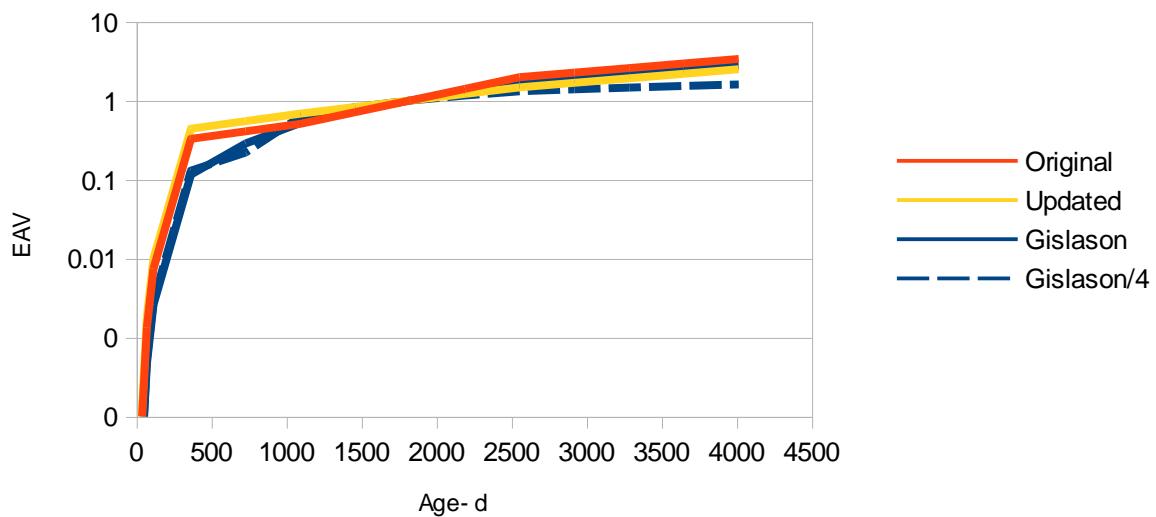
In accordance with Jacobs (2024) review, revised cases adopt $F=0.071$ for ages 3 to 6, and size at 50% maturity of ~21cm. To achieve this also requires a commencement of egg production at a smaller size and to achieve this a fecundity of 25,000 has been added for fish of this size based on a plaice age-fecundity curve for plaice given in the 2016 lifetables for Welsh and West Coast waters.

Von Bertalanffy growth coefficients used for the Gislason estimates of M for plaice were $L_\infty=59.5\text{cm}$, $K=0.132$, which were averaged values from Cefas (2019), who also provide a Gislason Correction Factor (CF) of 1.91 for plaice. These figures are within the range of values are similar to given by Doran (2011).

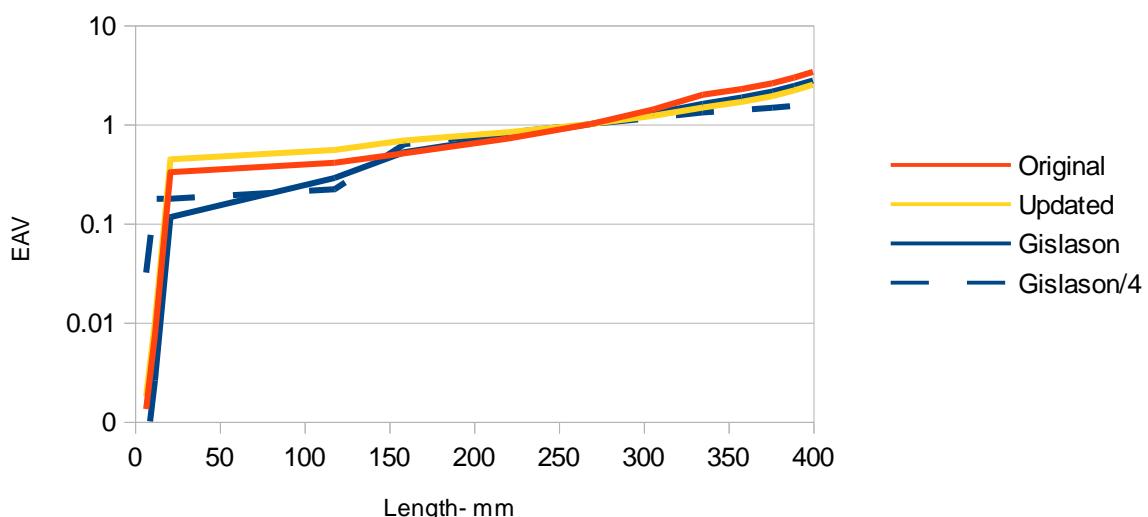
Results indicate 'Updated' figures in red/amber, exceeding Original 2013 Pembroke figures. However, using the Cefas Gislason procedure figures remain within the green/amber classification. Indicating that Original figures fall between the two. Plaice appear to be a case where both Original and Updated figures exceed the Gislason/4 figures.

| Length (mm) | Age (d) | Standardised EAV | | | | Sensitivity | |
|-------------|---------|------------------|---------|----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | Updated | Gislason | Gislason/4 | Updated | Gislason M |
| | 15 | 0.0000 | 0.00002 | 0.00000 | 0.00000 | 134% | 35% |
| 6.8 | 71 | 0.0013 | 0.002 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 134% | 35% |
| 12 | 115 | 0.0074 | 0.010 | 0.003 | 0.003 | 134% | 35% |
| 21.1 | 365 | 0.327 | 0.440 | 0.115 | 0.129 | 135% | 35% |
| 118 | 730 | 0.407 | 0.548 | 0.286 | 0.220 | 135% | 70% |
| 159 | 1095 | 0.507 | 0.682 | 0.520 | 0.625 | 135% | 103% |
| 220 | 1460 | 0.712 | 0.826 | 0.751 | 0.822 | 116% | 106% |
| 269 | 1825 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100% | 100% |
| 306 | 2190 | 1.405 | 1.210 | 1.278 | 1.156 | 86% | 91% |
| 335 | 2555 | 1.974 | 1.465 | 1.596 | 1.310 | 74% | 81% |
| 358 | 2920 | 2.254 | 1.673 | 1.851 | 1.386 | 74% | 82% |
| 376 | 3285 | 2.574 | 1.911 | 2.125 | 1.458 | 74% | 83% |
| 389 | 3650 | 2.940 | 2.182 | 2.423 | 1.527 | 74% | 82% |
| 400 | 4015 | 3.358 | 2.492 | 2.749 | 1.596 | 74% | 82% |
| 409 | 4380 | 3.8344 | | | | | |
| 415 | 4745 | 4.3789 | | | | | |
| 420 | 5110 | 5.0008 | | | | | |
| 424 | 5475 | 5.7110 | | | | | |
| 430 | 5.8E+03 | 6.5221 | | | | | |

Plaice Equivalent Adult Value vs Age



Plaice Equivalent Adult Value vs Length



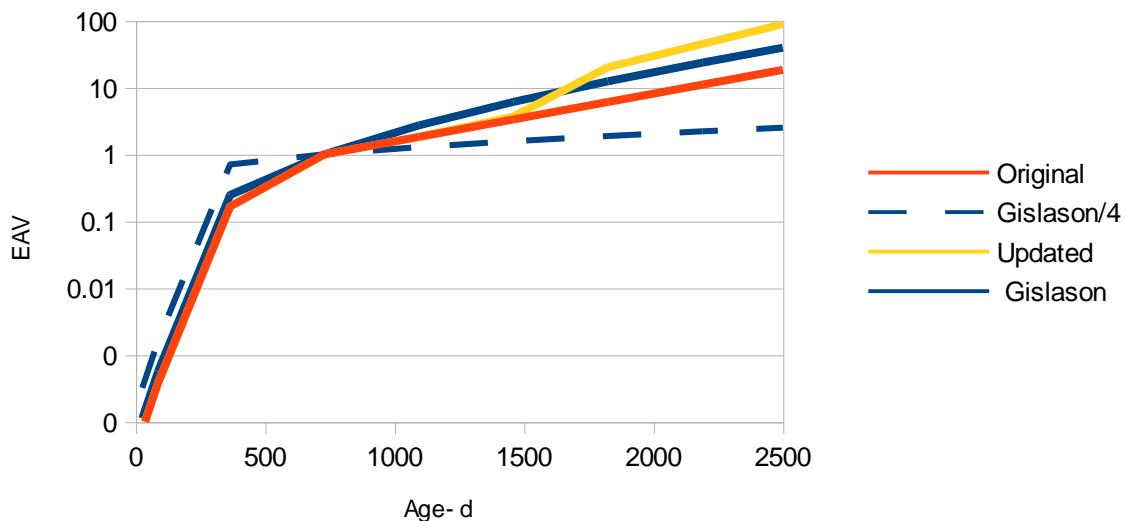
3. Sandeel

The sandeel lifetable has been updated in line with the 2016 lifetables, which updates juvenile lifestages, values of M and fecundity for west coast sandeels. Von Bertalanffy growth coefficients used for the Gislason estimates of M for sprat were $L_{\infty}=22.0\text{cm}$, $K=0.49$ based on Speirs *et al.*, (2019) for east coast of Scotland. A Correction Factor (CF) of 1.0 is used for sandeel as higher values appear to give unrealistically low estimates of M.

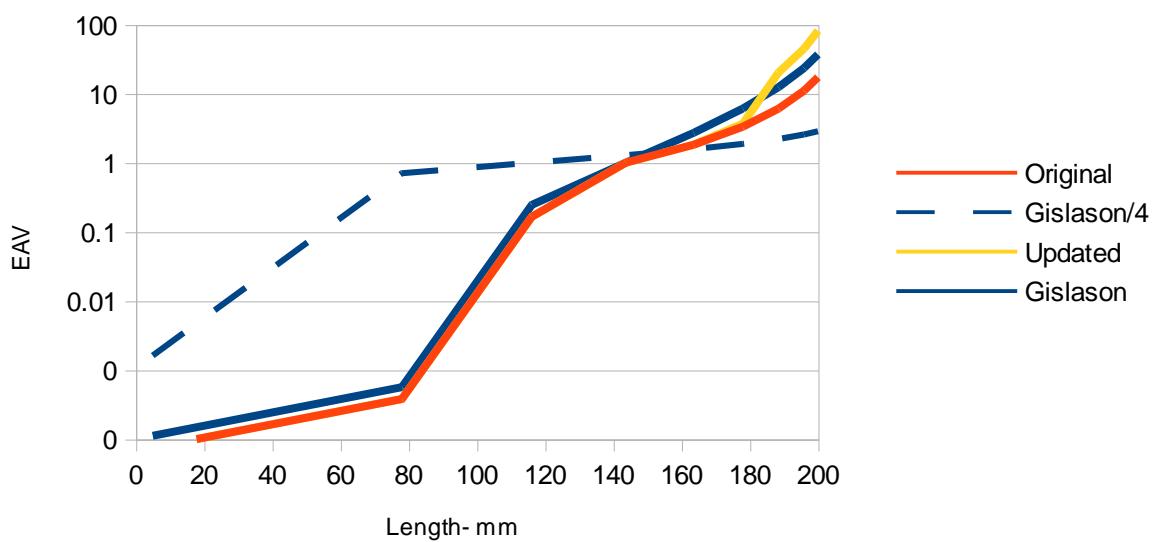
Resultant figures for EAV<1 remain the same, yielding green codes in the table below. The Cefas Gislason method gives results around 50% or so higher across this age range, which may merit an updated impact assessment for sandeel. However, for Original, Updated and Cefas Gislason plots, all lifestages of EA<1 fall below the Gislason/4 line, implying that there may be no significant increase in the EAVs at these ages.

| Length (mm) | Age (d) | EAV | | | | Sensitivity | |
|-------------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | Updated | Gislason | Gislason/4 | Updated | Gislason M |
| - | 26 | 7.5E-005 | 7.52E-005 | 0.000112 | 0.0003202 | 100% | 148% |
| 5 | 87 | 0.00038 | 0.00038 | 0.000564 | 0.001618 | 100% | 148% |
| 78 | 365 | 0.1653 | 0.1652989 | 0.2454 | 0.703823 | 100% | 148% |
| 116 | 730 | 1.0000 | | 1 | 1 | 100% | 100% |
| 144 | 1095 | 1.822 | 1.822 | 2.711 | 1.283 | 100% | 149% |
| 164 | 1460 | 3.320 | 3.669 | 6.090 | 1.571 | 111% | 183% |
| 178 | 1825 | 6.050 | 20.086 | 12.342 | 1.874 | 332% | 204% |
| 188 | 2190 | 11.023 | 44.701 | 23.514 | 2.202 | 406% | 213% |
| 196 | 2555 | 20.086 | 99.484 | 43.066 | 2.562 | 495% | 214% |
| 201 | 2920 | 36.598 | 221.406 | 76.839 | 2.961 | 605% | 210% |

Sandeel Equivalent Adult Value vs Age



Sandeel Equivalent Adult Value vs Length



4. Herring

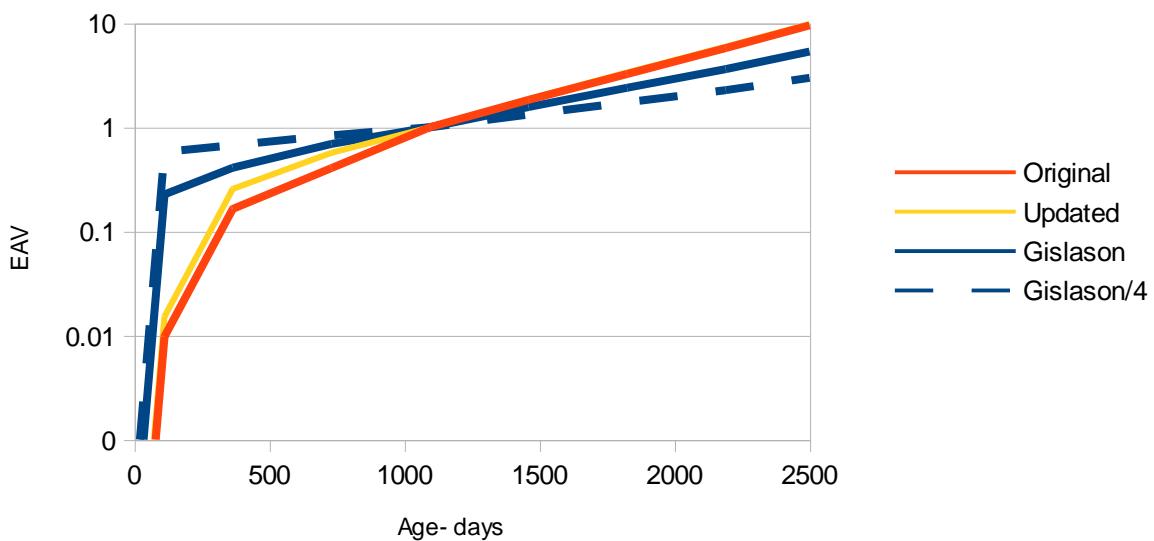
ICES fishing mortality (F) values as indicated by Jacobs (2024) for 2020 were used in revised herring lifetables; ICES natural mortality figures for age 1-5 groups herring were used in the Updated lifetable. No other changes were found to be necessary.

Von Bertalanffy growth coefficients used for the Gislason estimates of M for herring were $L_\infty=31.5\text{cm}$, $K=0.315$, which were averaged values from Cefas (2019), who also provide a Gislason Correction Factor (CF) of 1.97 for herring.

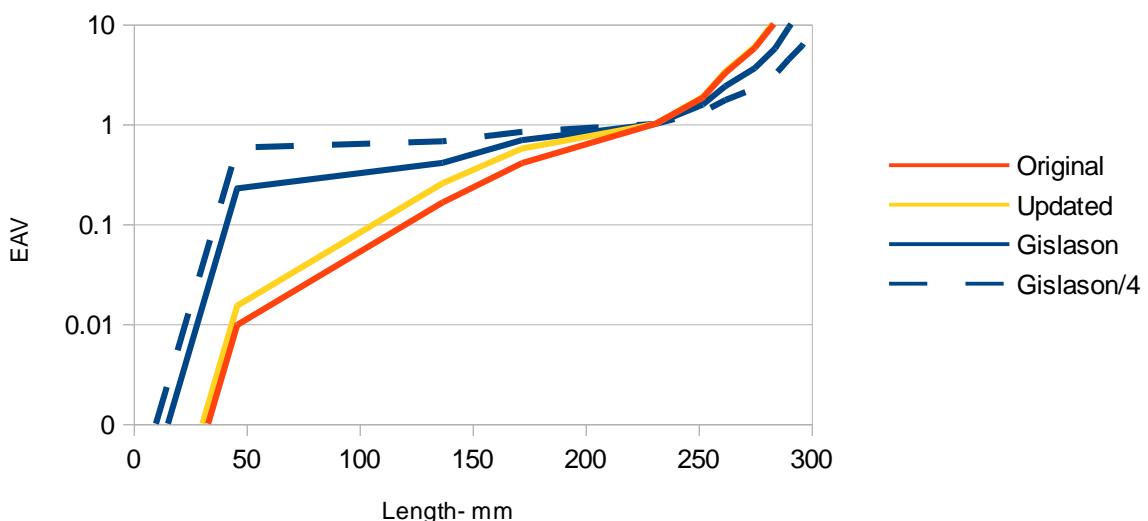
Both Updated and Cefas Gislason method figures for EAV<1 fish were classified as red and could suggest a case for updating the impact assessment for herring. However, for Original, Updated and Cefas Gislason plots, all lifestages of EA<1 fall below the Gislason/4 line, implying that that there may be no significant increase in the EAVs at these ages.

| Length (mm) | Age (d) | Standardised EAV | | | | Sensitivity | |
|----------------|---------|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Original | Updated | Gislason | Gislason/4 | Updated | Gislason M |
| 5 | 11 | 8.28E-006 | 1.29E-005 | 0.0001926 | 0.00049249 | 156% | 2325% |
| 10 | 21 | 1.67E-005 | 2.60E-005 | 0.0003877 | 0.00099175 | 156% | 2325% |
| 46 | 112 | 0.0097 | 0.0152 | 0.2265 | 0.5792 | 156% | 2325% |
| 137 | 365 | 0.1641 | 0.2556 | 0.4084 | 0.6713 | 156% | 249% |
| 172 | 730 | 0.4051 | 0.5681 | 0.6904 | 0.8353 | 140% | 170% |
| 231 | 1095 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100% | 100% |
| 252 | 1460 | 1.8323 | 1.8637 | 1.5626 | 1.3241 | 102% | 85% |
| 262 | 1825 | 3.2445 | 3.3500 | 2.3921 | 1.7350 | 103% | 74% |
| 275 | 2190 | 5.7622 | 5.9258 | 3.6160 | 2.2713 | 103% | 63% |
| 284 | 2555 | 10.3853 | 10.6802 | 5.7064 | 3.1266 | 103% | 55% |
| 290 | 2920 | 19.2060 | 19.7514 | 9.2216 | 4.4274 | 103% | 48% |
| 296 | 3285 | 34.3235 | 35.2981 | 14.4193 | 6.0922 | 103% | 42% |
| 300 | 3650 | 61.3404 | 63.0822 | 22.4646 | 8.3755 | 103% | 37% |
| 301 | 4015 | 109.6229 | 112.7358 | 34.9677 | 11.5120 | 103% | 32% |

Herring Equivalent Adult Value vs Age



Herring Equivalent Adult Value vs Length



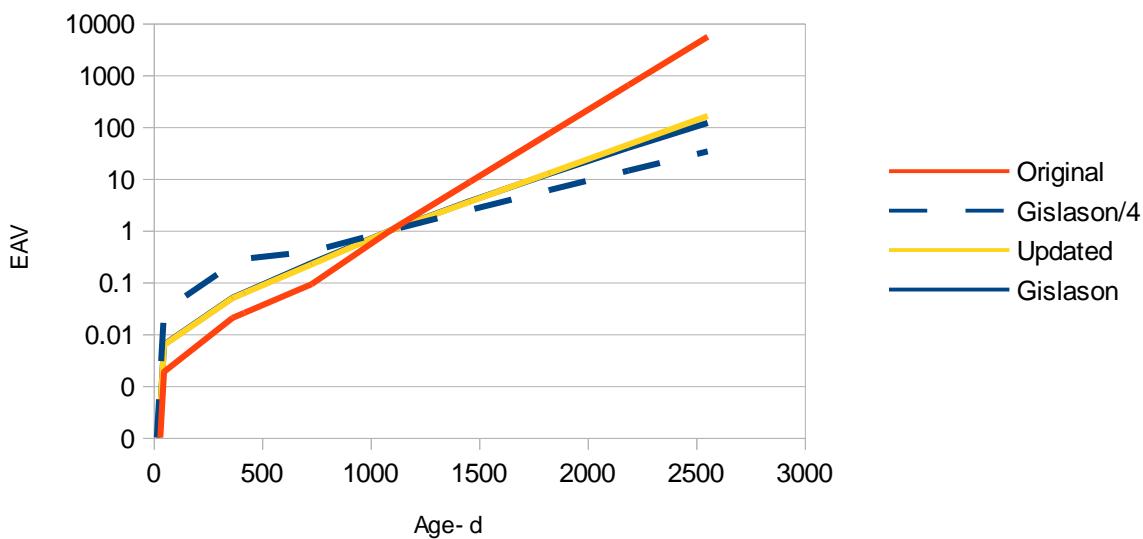
5. Whiting

As per Jacobs (2024), Updated life table is limited to 6 y of age, with amendments to both M and F values as indicated. Von Bertalanffy growth coefficients used for the Gislason estimates of M for whiting were $L_\infty=50\text{cm}$, $K=0.24$. Cefas (2019) provide a Gislason Correction Factor (CF) of 1.0 for whiting.

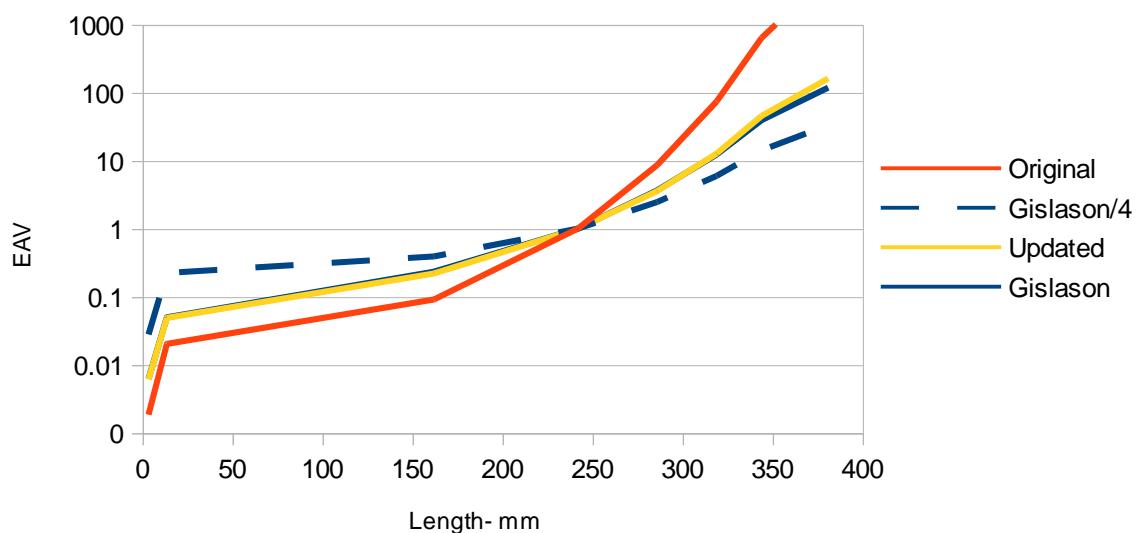
Both 'Updated' and 'Cefas Gislason' results are in the red zone, indicating a possible need for reassessment of impacts. However, for Original, Updated and Cefas Gislason plots, all lifestages of EA<1 fall below the Gislason/4 line, implying that there may be no significant increase in the EAVs at these ages.

| Length (mm) | Age (d) | Equivalent Adult Value | | | | Sensitivity | |
|----------------|---------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Original | Updated | Gislason | Gislason/4 | Updated | Gislason M |
| - | 7.9 | 1.45E-006 | 4.80E-006 | 4.90E-006 | 2.20E-005 | 330% | 337% |
| 3.5 | 49.9 | 0.0018 | 0.0061 | 0.0062 | 0.0279 | 330% | 337% |
| 13.7 | 365 | 0.0202 | 0.0488 | 0.0497 | 0.2231 | 241% | 246% |
| - | 419.9 | 0.0254 | 0.0612 | 0.0626 | 0.2808 | 241% | 247% |
| 162 | 730 | 0.0907 | 0.2187 | 0.2327 | 0.3898 | 241% | 256% |
| 242 | 1095 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100% | 100% |
| 286 | 1460 | 8.5849 | 3.56 | 3.65 | 2.46 | 41% | 43% |
| 319 | 1825 | 73.6998 | 12.68 | 12.27 | 5.94 | 17% | 17% |
| 344 | 2190 | 632.70 | 45.15 | 39.15 | 14.15 | 7% | 6% |
| 381 | 2555 | 5432 | 160.77 | 117.78 | 33.19 | 3% | 2% |

Whiting Equivalent Adult Value vs Age



Whiting Equivalent Adult Value vs Length



6. Bass

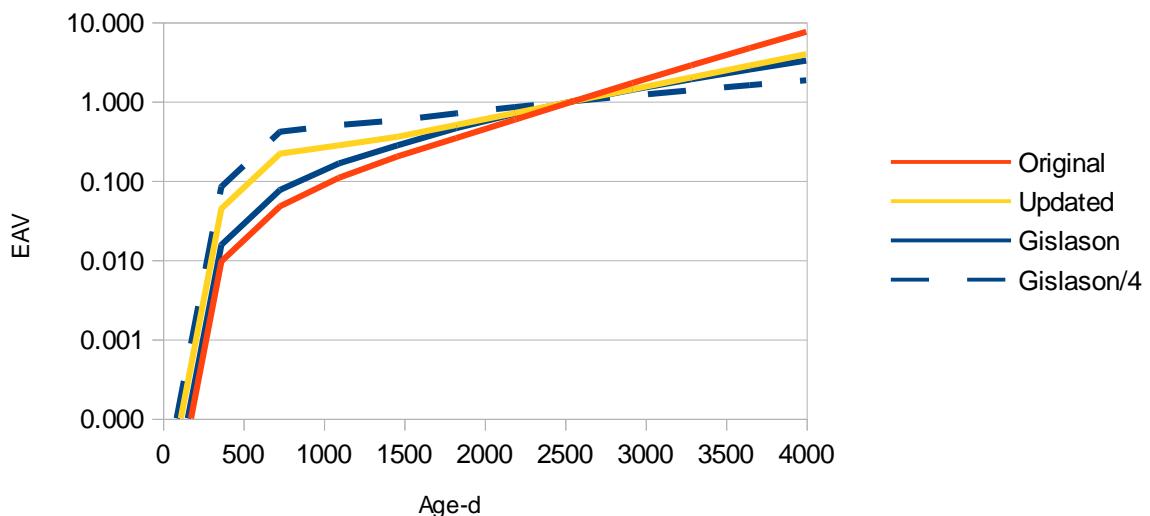
Following Jacobs (2024) advice from ICES, values of $M=0.24$ for all age groups >2 and $F=0.105$ for age groups >4 have been used in the revised Updated and Cefas Gislason lifetables.

Von Bertalanffy growth coefficients used for the Gislason estimates of M for bass were $L_\infty=79\text{cm}$, $K=0.103$ (Cambie *et al.* (2015), for Welsh waters. Cefas (2019) provide a Gislason Correction Factor (CF) of 1.0 for bass. The growth coefficients are in line with ICES figures for Irish and Celtic Seas in the 2016 lifetables.

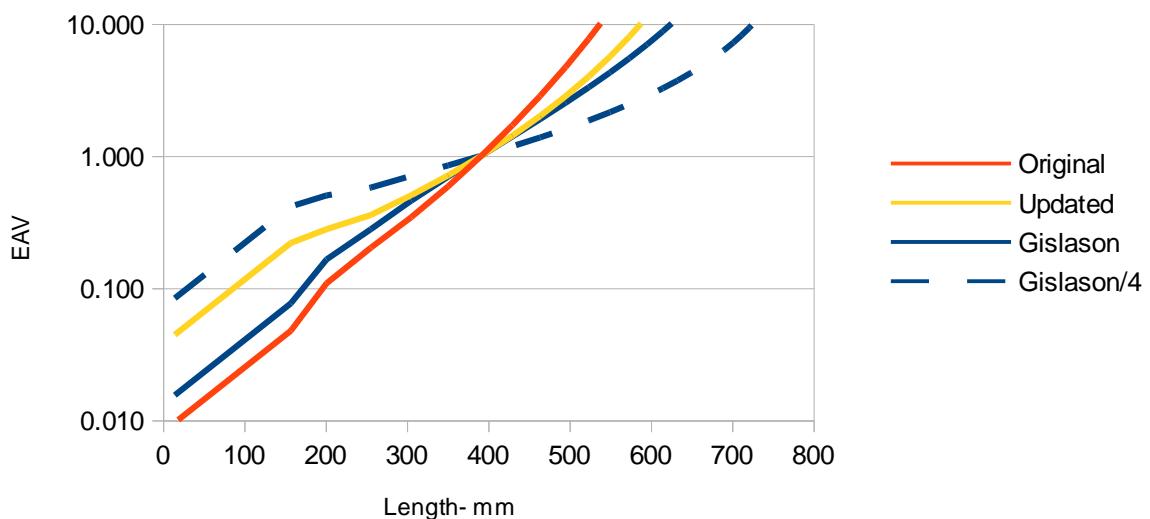
This results in both cases in elevated EAVs for individuals of $\text{EAV}<1$, which may merit revised impact assessments. However, for Original, Updated and Cefas Gislason plots, all lifestages of $\text{EA}<1$ fall below the Gislason/4 line, implying that there may be no significant increase in the EAVs at these ages. Jacobs (2024) refers to French data for bass length-at-age distribution in the English Channel from ICES, however this was not considered a necessary or more relevant update.

| Length (mm) | Age (d) | Standardised EAV | | | | Sensitivity | |
|-------------|---------|------------------|---------|----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | Updated | Gislason | Gislason/4 | Updated | Gislason M |
| - | 69 | 0.00001 | 0.00003 | 0.00001 | 0.00006 | 462% | 161% |
| 15 | 365 | 0.01 | 0.0441 | 0.0154 | 0.08331 | 462% | 161% |
| 158 | 730 | 0.05 | 0.218 | 0.076 | 0.412 | 462% | 161% |
| 202 | 1095 | 0.11 | 0.277 | 0.164 | 0.500 | 257% | 152% |
| 256 | 1460 | 0.20 | 0.355 | 0.278 | 0.573 | 177% | 138% |
| 306 | 1825 | 0.34 | 0.502 | 0.456 | 0.702 | 147% | 133% |
| 351 | 2190 | 0.58 | 0.708 | 0.693 | 0.843 | 121% | 119% |
| 392 | 2555 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100% | 100% |
| 430 | 2920 | 1.70 | 1.41 | 1.39 | 1.18 | 83% | 82% |
| 464 | 3285 | 2.83 | 1.99 | 1.89 | 1.37 | 70% | 67% |
| 496 | 3650 | 4.68 | 2.82 | 2.51 | 1.59 | 60% | 54% |
| 524 | 4015 | 7.65 | 3.97 | 3.29 | 1.85 | 52% | 43% |
| 550 | 4380 | 12.40 | 5.61 | 4.25 | 2.13 | 45% | 34% |
| 574 | 4745 | 19.93 | 7.92 | 5.44 | 2.45 | 40% | 27% |
| 596 | 5110 | 31.80 | 11.19 | 6.91 | 2.81 | 35% | 22% |
| 615 | 5475 | 137 | 15.8 | 8.7 | 3.2 | 12% | 6% |
| 633 | 5840 | 587 | 22.3 | 10.9 | 3.7 | 4% | 2% |
| 650 | 6205 | 2506 | 31.5 | 13.6 | 4.2 | 1% | 1% |
| 665 | 6570 | 3920 | 44.5 | 16.9 | 4.8 | 1% | 0% |
| 678 | 6935 | 6106 | 62.8 | 21.0 | 5.5 | 1% | 0% |
| 691 | 7300 | 9482 | 88.7 | 25.9 | 6.3 | 1% | 0% |
| 702 | 7665 | 14697 | 125.2 | 31.9 | 7.2 | 1% | 0% |
| 712 | 8030 | 22779 | 176.8 | 39.1 | 8.2 | 1% | 0% |
| 722 | 8395 | 35306 | 249.6 | 48.0 | 9.3 | 1% | 0% |
| 730 | 8760 | 54721 | 352.5 | 58.7 | 10.6 | 1% | 0% |
| 738 | 9125 | 84813 | 497.7 | 71.7 | 12.0 | 1% | 0% |
| 745 | 9490 | 131452 | 702.7 | 12.3 | 13.7 | 1% | 0% |
| 752 | 9855 | 203740 | 992.3 | 15.0 | 15.5 | 0% | 0% |

Bass Equivalent Adult Value vs Age



Bass Equivalent Adult Value vs Length



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HERRING

ORIGINAL

| Age (yrs) | Stage | Duration of Life stage (d) | Length (mm) | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------|-------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.918 | | | | | | 0.9182827 |
| 0 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.497 | | | | | | 0.4560057 |
| 0 | 3 | 91 | 46 | 6.37 | 0.00 | 6.37 | 0.002 | | | | | | 0.0007808 |
| 0 | 4 | 253 | 137 | 2.82 | 0.00 | 2.82 | 0.059 | | | | | | 0.0000463 |
| 1 | 4 & 5 | 365 | 172 | 0.79 | 0.12 | 0.90 | 0.405 | | | | | | 0.0000188 |
| 2 | 5 | 365 | 231 | 0.79 | 0.12 | 0.90 | 0.405 | 1.000 | 25,044 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 10,018 | 0.0000076 |
| 3 | 5 | 365 | 252 | 0.38 | 0.23 | 0.61 | 0.546 | 0.546 | 28,442 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 7,761 | 0.0000042 |
| 4 | 5 | 365 | 262 | 0.35 | 0.22 | 0.57 | 0.565 | 0.308 | 31,214 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 4,762 | 0.0000023 |
| 5 | 5 | 365 | 275 | 0.35 | 0.22 | 0.57 | 0.563 | 0.174 | 34,935 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 3,007 | 0.0000013 |
| 6 | 5 | 365 | 284 | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.59 | 0.555 | 0.096 | 34,987 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1,674 | 0.0000007 |
| 7 | 5 | 365 | 290 | 0.31 | 0.30 | 0.61 | 0.541 | 0.052 | 37,958 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 988 | 0.0000004 |
| 8 | 5 | 365 | 296 | 0.30 | 0.28 | 0.58 | 0.560 | 0.029 | 37,661 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 549 | 0.0000002 |
| 9 | 5 | 365 | 300 | 0.30 | 0.28 | 0.58 | 0.560 | 0.016 | 38,610 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 315 | 0.0000001 |
| 10 | 5 | 365 | 301 | 0.30 | 0.28 | 0.58 | 0.560 | 0.009 | 41,135 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 188 | 0.0000001 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fa | 29,262 | | |

UPDATED

| Age (yrs) | Stage | Duration of Life stage (d) | Length (mm) | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------|-------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.918 | | | | | | 0.9182827 |
| 0 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.497 | | | | | | 0.4560057 |
| 0 | 3 | 91 | 46 | 6.37 | 0.00 | 6.37 | 0.002 | | | | | | 0.0007808 |
| 0 | 4 | 253 | 137 | 2.82 | 0.00 | 2.82 | 0.059 | | | | | | 0.0000463 |
| 1 | 4 & 5 | 365 | 172 | 0.68 | 0.03 | 0.71 | 0.491 | | | | | | 0.0000228 |
| 2 | 5 | 365 | 231 | 0.45 | 0.20 | 0.65 | 0.525 | 1.000 | 25,044 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 10,018 | 0.0000119 |
| 3 | 5 | 365 | 252 | 0.40 | 0.21 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.548 | 28,442 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 7,789 | 0.0000065 |
| 4 | 5 | 365 | 262 | 0.37 | 0.22 | 0.59 | 0.557 | 0.305 | 31,214 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 4,710 | 0.0000036 |
| 5 | 5 | 365 | 275 | 0.35 | 0.19 | 0.54 | 0.583 | 0.178 | 34,935 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 3,081 | 0.0000021 |
| 6 | 5 | 365 | 284 | 0.32 | 0.20 | 0.52 | 0.598 | 0.106 | 34,987 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1,847 | 0.0000013 |
| 7 | 5 | 365 | 290 | 0.31 | 0.10 | 0.41 | 0.664 | 0.071 | 37,958 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1,338 | 0.0000008 |
| 8 | 5 | 365 | 296 | 0.30 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.668 | 0.047 | 37,661 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 887 | 0.0000006 |
| 9 | 5 | 365 | 300 | 0.30 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.668 | 0.031 | 38,610 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 608 | 0.0000004 |
| 10 | 5 | 365 | 301 | 0.30 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.668 | 0.021 | 41,135 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 433 | 0.0000003 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fa | 30,712 | | |

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| Age (yrs) | Stage | Duration of Life stage (d) | Length (mm) | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------|-------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total Instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.918 | | | | | | 0.9182827 |
| 0 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.497 | | | | | | 0.4560057 |
| 0 | 3 | 91 | 46 | 6.37 | 0.00 | 6.37 | 0.002 | | | | | | 0.0007808 |
| 0 | 4 | 253 | 137 | 0.59 | 0.00 | 0.59 | 0.554 | | | | | | 0.0004329 |
| 1 | 4 & 5 | 365 | 172 | 0.41 | 0.03 | 0.44 | 0.646 | | | | | | 0.0002795 |
| 2 | 5 | 365 | 231 | 0.25 | 0.20 | 0.45 | 0.638 | 1.000 | 25,044 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 10,018 | 0.0001782 |
| 3 | 5 | 365 | 252 | 0.22 | 0.21 | 0.43 | 0.653 | 0.653 | 28,442 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 9,290 | 0.0001164 |
| 4 | 5 | 365 | 262 | 0.21 | 0.22 | 0.43 | 0.654 | 0.427 | 31,214 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 6,596 | 0.0000761 |
| 5 | 5 | 365 | 275 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.38 | 0.683 | 0.291 | 34,935 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 5,049 | 0.0000519 |
| 6 | 5 | 365 | 284 | 0.18 | 0.20 | 0.38 | 0.682 | 0.199 | 34,987 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 3,458 | 0.0000354 |
| 7 | 5 | 365 | 290 | 0.18 | 0.10 | 0.28 | 0.759 | 0.151 | 37,958 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 2,866 | 0.0000269 |
| 8 | 5 | 365 | 296 | 0.17 | 0.10 | 0.27 | 0.764 | 0.115 | 37,661 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 2,172 | 0.0000206 |
| 9 | 5 | 365 | 300 | 0.17 | 0.10 | 0.27 | 0.767 | 0.088 | 38,610 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1,707 | 0.0000158 |
| 10 | 5 | 365 | 301 | 0.17 | 0.10 | 0.26 | 0.767 | 0.068 | 41,135 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1,396 | 0.0000121 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fa | | | 42,552 |

CEFAS GISLASON/4

| Age (yrs) | Stage | Duration of Life stage (d) | Length (mm) | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------|-------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total Instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.918 | | | | | | 0.9182827 |
| 0 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.497 | | | | | | 0.4560057 |
| 0 | 3 | 91 | 46 | 6.37 | 0.00 | 6.37 | 0.002 | | | | | | 0.0007808 |
| 0 | 4 | 253 | 137 | 0.15 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.863 | | | | | | 0.0006737 |
| 1 | 4 & 5 | 365 | 172 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.877 | | | | | | 0.0005909 |
| 2 | 5 | 365 | 231 | 0.06 | 0.20 | 0.26 | 0.771 | 1.000 | 25,044 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 10,018 | 0.0004559 |
| 3 | 5 | 365 | 252 | 0.06 | 0.21 | 0.26 | 0.771 | 0.771 | 28,442 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 10,963 | 0.0003514 |
| 4 | 5 | 365 | 262 | 0.05 | 0.22 | 0.27 | 0.763 | 0.589 | 31,214 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 9,094 | 0.0002683 |
| 5 | 5 | 365 | 275 | 0.05 | 0.19 | 0.24 | 0.788 | 0.464 | 34,935 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 8,039 | 0.0002115 |
| 6 | 5 | 365 | 284 | 0.05 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.782 | 0.363 | 34,987 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 6,311 | 0.0001655 |
| 7 | 5 | 365 | 290 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.867 | 0.315 | 37,958 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 5,970 | 0.0001434 |
| 8 | 5 | 365 | 296 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.868 | 0.273 | 37,661 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 5,141 | 0.0001245 |
| 9 | 5 | 365 | 300 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.869 | 0.237 | 38,610 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 4,579 | 0.0001081 |
| 10 | 5 | 365 | 301 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.869 | 0.206 | 41,135 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 4,239 | 0.0000940 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fa | | | 64,354 |

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PLAICE

ORIGINAL

| Age (yrs) | Stage No. | Stage Name | Length (mm) | Duration of Life stage | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| | | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total Instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | Egg | | 15 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 1.95 | 0.14 | | | | | | 1.4E-01 |
| 0 | 2 | Larvae | 6.8 | 56 | 4.70 | 0.00 | 4.70 | 0.01 | | | | | | 1.3E-03 |
| 0 | 3 | Settling Juvenile | 12 | 44 | 1.72 | 0.00 | 1.72 | 0.18 | | | | | | 2.3E-04 |
| 0 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 21.1 | 250 | 3.79 | 0.00 | 3.79 | 0.02 | | | | | | 5.3E-06 |
| 1 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 118 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.80 | | | | | | 4.2E-06 |
| 2 | 5 | Post-settling Juvenile | 159 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.80 | | | | | | 3.4E-06 |
| 3 | 5 | Adult | 220 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.34 | 0.71 | 1 | | | | | 2.4E-06 |
| 4 | 5 | Adult | 269 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.34 | 0.71 | 0.71177 | 39,718 | 0.67 | 0.5 | 9,874 | 1.7E-06 |
| 5 | 5 | Adult | 306 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.34 | 0.71 | 0.50662 | 51,466 | 0.68 | 0.9 | 16,213 | 1.2E-06 |
| 6 | 5 | Adult | 335 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.34 | 0.71 | 0.36059 | 75,093 | 0.70 | 1.0 | 18,819 | 8.7E-07 |
| 7 | 5 | Adult | 358 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.31575 | 85,134 | 0.71 | 1.0 | 18,996 | 7.6E-07 |
| 8 | 5 | Adult | 376 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.27648 | 96,619 | 0.72 | 1.0 | 19,189 | 6.7E-07 |
| 9 | 5 | Adult | 389 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.24210 | 136,851 | 0.73 | 1.0 | 24,186 | 5.8E-07 |
| 10 | 5 | Adult | 400 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.21199 | 144,989 | 0.74 | 1.0 | 22,796 | 5.1E-07 |
| 11 | 5 | Adult | 409 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.18563 | 164,612 | 0.75 | 1.0 | 23,020 | 4.5E-07 |
| 12 | 5 | Adult | 415 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.16255 | 155,227 | 0.77 | 1.0 | 19,302 | 3.9E-07 |
| 13 | 5 | Adult | 420 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.14233 | 216,394 | 0.78 | 1.0 | 23,921 | 3.4E-07 |
| 14 | 5 | Adult | 424 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.12463 | 304,076 | 0.79 | 1.0 | 29,876 | 3.0E-07 |
| 15 | 5 | Adult | 430 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.10913 | 192,177 | 0.80 | 1.0 | 16,778 | 2.6E-07 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fa | 242,971 | | | |

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| Age (yrs) | Stage No. | Stage Name | Length (mm) | Duration of Life stage | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| | | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total Instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | Egg | | 15 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 1.95 | 0.14 | | | | | | 0.142274 |
| 0 | 2 | Larvae | 6.8 | 56 | 4.70 | 0.00 | 4.70 | 0.01 | | | | | | 0.001289 |
| 0 | 3 | Settling Juvenile | 12 | 44 | 1.72 | 0.00 | 1.72 | 0.18 | | | | | | 0.000232 |
| 0 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 21.1 | 250 | 3.79 | 0.00 | 3.79 | 0.02 | | | | | | 5.2E-06 |
| 1 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 118 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.80 | | | | | | 4.2E-06 |
| 2 | 5 | Post-settling Juvenile | 159 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.80 | | | | | | 3.4E-06 |
| 3 | 5 | Adult | 220 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.07 | 0.19 | 0.83 | 1 | 25,000 | 0.57 | 0.5 | 7,125 | 2.8E-06 |
| 4 | 5 | Adult | 269 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.07 | 0.19 | 0.83 | 0.82613 | 39,718 | 0.67 | 0.7 | 14,766 | 2.3E-06 |
| 5 | 5 | Adult | 306 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.07 | 0.19 | 0.83 | 0.68250 | 51,466 | 0.68 | 0.9 | 21,842 | 1.9E-06 |
| 6 | 5 | Adult | 335 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.07 | 0.19 | 0.83 | 0.56383 | 75,093 | 0.70 | 1.0 | 29,426 | 1.6E-06 |
| 7 | 5 | Adult | 358 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.49371 | 85,134 | 0.71 | 1.0 | 29,703 | 1.4E-06 |
| 8 | 5 | Adult | 376 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.43232 | 96,619 | 0.72 | 1.0 | 30,005 | 1.2E-06 |
| 9 | 5 | Adult | 389 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.37855 | 136,851 | 0.73 | 1.0 | 37,818 | 1.1E-06 |
| 10 | 5 | Adult | 400 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.33148 | 144,989 | 0.74 | 1.0 | 35,645 | 9.2E-07 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fa | 206,329 | | | |

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CEFAS GISLASON

| Age (yrs) | Stage No. | Stage Name | Length (mm) | Duration of Life stage | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------------|-----------|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| | | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total Instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | Egg | | 15 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 1.95 | 0.14 | | | | | | 0.142274 |
| 0 | 2 | Larvae | 6.8 | 56 | 4.70 | 0.00 | 4.70 | 0.01 | | | | | | 0.001289 |
| 0 | 3 | Settling Juvenile | 12 | 44 | 1.72 | 0.00 | 1.72 | 0.18 | | | | | | 0.000232 |
| 0 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 21.1 | 250 | 3.79 | 0.00 | 3.79 | 0.02 | | | | | | 5.2E-006 |
| 1 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 118 | 365 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 0.91 | 0.40 | | | | | | 2.1E-006 |
| 2 | 5 | Post-settling Juvenile | 159 | 365 | 0.50 | 0.10 | 0.60 | 0.55 | | | | | | 1.2E-006 |
| 3 | 5 | Adult | 220 | 365 | 0.30 | 0.07 | 0.37 | 0.69 | 1 | 25,000 | 0.57 | 0.5 | 7,125 | 8.0E-007 |
| 4 | 5 | Adult | 269 | 365 | 0.21 | 0.07 | 0.29 | 0.75 | 0.75150 | 39,718 | 0.67 | 0.7 | 13,432 | 6.0E-007 |
| 5 | 5 | Adult | 306 | 365 | 0.17 | 0.07 | 0.25 | 0.78 | 0.58793 | 51,466 | 0.68 | 0.9 | 18,816 | 4.7E-007 |
| 6 | 5 | Adult | 335 | 365 | 0.15 | 0.07 | 0.22 | 0.80 | 0.47098 | 75,093 | 0.70 | 1.0 | 24,580 | 3.8E-007 |
| 7 | 5 | Adult | 358 | 365 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.86 | 0.40606 | 85,134 | 0.71 | 1.0 | 24,429 | 3.3E-007 |
| 8 | 5 | Adult | 376 | 365 | 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.87 | 0.35372 | 96,619 | 0.72 | 1.0 | 24,550 | 2.8E-007 |
| 9 | 5 | Adult | 389 | 365 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.31018 | 136,851 | 0.73 | 1.0 | 30,987 | 2.5E-007 |
| 10 | 5 | Adult | 400 | 365 | 0.11 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.27342 | 144,989 | 0.74 | 1.0 | 29,402 | 2.2E-007 |
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| Gislason factor | | | | | | | | | | Fa 173,321 | | | | |

CEFAS GISLASON/4

| Age (yrs) | Stage No. | Stage Name | Length (mm) | Duration of Life stage | Mortality Function | | | | | Reproduction | | | | St |
|-----------------|-----------|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| | | | | | Natural mortality (M) | Fishing mortality (F) | Total Instantaneous mortality (Z) | Survivorship (S) | Sj | No. eggs per female (E) | Proportion of females (R) | Proportion mature (P) | Age-specific egg prodn. | |
| 0 | 1 | Egg | | 15 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 1.95 | 0.14 | | | | | | 0.142274 |
| 0 | 2 | Larvae | 6.8 | 56 | 4.70 | 0.00 | 4.70 | 0.01 | | | | | | 0.001289 |
| 0 | 3 | Settling Juvenile | 12 | 44 | 1.72 | 0.00 | 1.72 | 0.18 | | | | | | 0.000232 |
| 0 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 21.1 | 250 | 3.79 | 0.00 | 3.79 | 0.02 | | | | | | 5.2E-006 |
| 1 | 4 | Post-settling Juvenile | 118 | 365 | 0.43 | 0.10 | 0.53 | 0.59 | | | | | | 3.1E-006 |
| 2 | 5 | Post-settling Juvenile | 159 | 365 | 0.95 | 0.10 | 1.05 | 0.35 | | | | | | 1.1E-006 |
| 3 | 5 | Adult | 220 | 365 | 0.20 | 0.07 | 0.27 | 0.76 | 1 | 25,000 | 0.57 | 0.5 | 7,125 | 8.2E-007 |
| 4 | 5 | Adult | 269 | 365 | 0.13 | 0.07 | 0.20 | 0.82 | 0.82190 | 39,718 | 0.67 | 0.7 | 14,690 | 6.8E-007 |
| 5 | 5 | Adult | 306 | 365 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.86 | 0.71082 | 51,466 | 0.68 | 0.9 | 22,749 | 5.9E-007 |
| 6 | 5 | Adult | 335 | 365 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.88 | 0.62751 | 75,093 | 0.70 | 1.0 | 32,749 | 5.2E-007 |
| 7 | 5 | Adult | 358 | 365 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.95 | 0.59309 | 85,134 | 0.71 | 1.0 | 35,681 | 4.9E-007 |
| 8 | 5 | Adult | 376 | 365 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.95 | 0.56388 | 96,619 | 0.72 | 1.0 | 39,136 | 4.6E-007 |
| 9 | 5 | Adult | 389 | 365 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.95 | 0.53816 | 136,851 | 0.73 | 1.0 | 53,763 | 4.4E-007 |
| 10 | 5 | Adult | 400 | 365 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.96 | 0.51494 | 144,989 | 0.74 | 1.0 | 55,374 | 4.2E-007 |
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| Gislason factor | | | | | | | | | | Fa 261,267 | | | | |

