Update of the Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic Winter Flounder Resource New Base Case SCAA using updated data

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Introduction

This paper presents an update of the SCAA "New Base Case" for the Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic winter flounder resource of Rademeyer and Butterworth (2011) using the most recent data available (Terceiro, 2011).

Data and Methodology

The data tables, which have been updated from those used in Rademeyer and Butterworth (2011), are given in Appendix A with the updated data shown in bold. Although the units of NEFSC surveys have changed (given here as stratified mean number per tow instead of mean total number), only the 2010 values are new (i.e. changed).

The methodology is as described in Appendix B of Rademeyer and Butterworth (2011), with the New Base Case specifications.

Results and Discussion

The results for the "New Base Case" and "New Base Case with updated data" are compared in Table 1. Retrospective patterns for spawning biomass and recruitment trajectories are shown in Fig. 1 for the "New Base Case with updated data" and the estimated spawning biomass and recruitment trends are shown in Fig. 2. These show very little change in moving from the original to the new data.

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Table 1: Results for the New Base Case as in Rademeyer and Butterworth (2011) and now with the updated data. Biomass units are '000t. The two recruitment values refer to the two recruitment periods, i.e. 1989-2010 and 1981-1988 respectively. MSY and related quantities have been computed for each of these recruitment levels, assuming the natural mortality in recent years.

		New Ba	ise Case		New Ba	se Case	- Updat	ed data
'-InL:overall	-864.1				-848.9			
'-InL:Survey	-49.8				-42.3			
'-InL:CAA	-91.7				-95.8			
'-InL:CAAsurv	-701.7				-690.3			
'-InL:RecRes	-21.9				-21.7			
'-InL:SelSmoothing	0.9				1.3			
Mohn's rho: SSB	-0.03				-0.03			
Mohn's rho: rec.	0.16				0.16			
Phi	0.83				0.81			
Bsp(1981)	20.8				21.1			
Bsp(2010)	4.1				4.1			
Bsp(2010)/Bsp(1981)	0.20				0.20			
M	0.3-	0.6			0.3-	0.6		
Recruitment	25.7	52.8			25.5	52.9		
Bsp(MSY)	2.0	4.1			1.7	3.5		
MSY	2.4	5.0			2.6	5.3		
σ_{comCAA}	0.10				0.10			
Survey	q x10 ⁶	σ_{surv}	σ_{CAA}	ρ	q x10 ⁶	σ_{surv}	$\sigma_{\sf CAA}$	ρ
NEFSCspr	285.2	0.31	0.10	0.06	0.10	0.31	0.11	0.03
NEFSCfall	936.6	0.47	0.15	0.67	0.17	0.50	0.13	0.69
NEFSCwinter	233.5	0.30	0.19	0.21	0.14	0.30	0.19	0.18
MADFM	3.31	0.41	0.15	0.51	2.61	0.42	0.15	0.52
RIDFW	0.57	0.51	0.16	0.20	0.52	0.51	0.16	0.19
CTDEP	3.13	0.51	0.12	0.68	2.30	0.50	0.12	0.68
NY	0.11	0.92	0.20	0.28	0.11	0.92	0.20	0.29
NJDFW Ocean	4.13	0.42	0.16	-0.03	2.80	0.43	0.16	-0.03
NJDFW River	0.39	0.27	0.18	0.58	0.28	0.28	0.18	0.67
MADFM YOY	0.01	0.44	-	0.50	0.01	0.44	_	0.45
CTDEP YOY	0.24	0.65	-	0.26	0.21	0.72	_	0.33
RIDFW YOY	0.48	0.71	-	0.52	0.43	0.91	_	0.33
NY YOY	0.14	1.33	-	0.60	0.14	1.33	_	0.60
DEDFW YOY	0.00	1.00	-	-0.23	0.00	1.00	_	-0.18
URIGSO	0.53	0.51	0.13	0.31	0.55	0.44	0.13	0.20
σ _R _out (81-88, 89-10)	0.27	0.26			0.27	0.27		

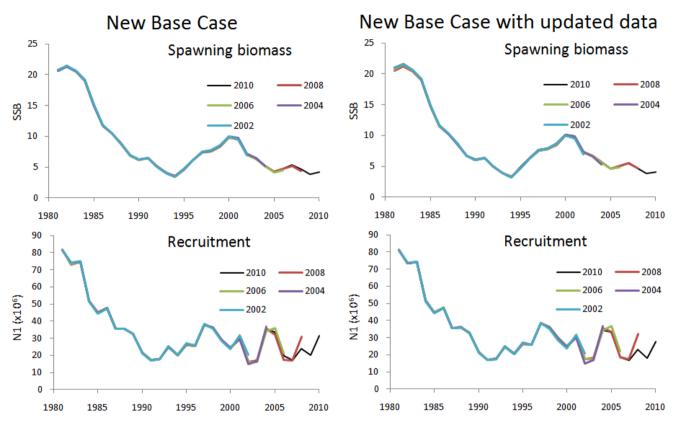


Fig. 1: Retrospective analysis of spawning biomass and recruitment for the two cases.

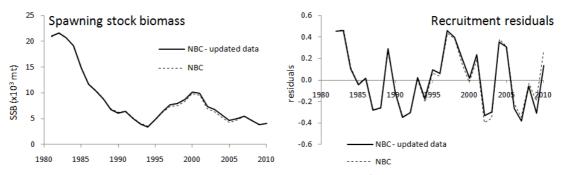


Fig. 2: Spawning stock biomass and recruitment trajectories for the New Base Case and New Base Case with updated data.

APPENDIX A - Data

In the Tables below, the data that are new or have been updated compared to those used in Rademeyer and Butterworth (2011) are shown in bold. The data tables used in Rademeyer and Butterworth (2011) that have not been updated at all are not repeated here.

Table A1: Total catch (metric tons) for SNE/MA winter flounder (Terceiro, 2011). Pre-1981, only the commercial landings are available; to compute the total catches, the average 1981-1985 ratio of commercial landings (0.62), commercial discards (0.09), recreational landings (0.28) and recreational discards (0.01) is assumed to apply over the pre-1981 period.

.,	Total catch	.,	Total catch	.,	Total catch
Year	(mt)	Year	(mt)	Year	(mt)
1964	12053	1980	17138	1996	3702
1965	13995	1981	15764	1997	4483
1966	19315	1982	14143	1998	3614
1967	15285	1983	13582	1999	3745
1968	11402	1984	15526	2000	4754
1969	13074	1985	13891	2001	5147
1970	13874	1986	9217	2002	3412
1971	11881	1987	9352	2003	2827
1972	8370	1988	8795	2004	1942
1973	8988	1989	6915	2005	1563
1974	6869	1990	5999	2006	2023
1975	6422	1991	6842	2007	1883
1976	5266	1992	4729	2008	1432
1977	7117	1993	4311	2009	639
1978	10204	1994	3092	2010	400
1979	10552	1995	3434		

Table A2. Catch at age matrix (000s) for SNE/MA winter flounder (Terceiro, 2011).

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
1981	1380	14183	14401	3608	666	182	111
1982	575	14153	12374	3713	608	212	202
1983	616	7232	13273	6111	1791	695	544
1984	493	11470	13940	4890	1770	873	803
1985	274	7342	12771	6013	2922	1819	1404
1986	216	6327	9101	4218	1053	442	357
1987	74	5265	8988	3084	2690	751	424
1988	85	3946	9401	3963	1206	978	303
1989	468	5275	7208	3541	861	226	214
1990	36	2110	6276	2933	768	196	142
1991	52	3029	7146	3349	860	252	113
1992	25	1507	4460	2582	673	162	53
1993	292	2200	3520	1897	714	188	138
1994	251	2612	2339	1280	337	97	39
1995	88	654	3112	2202	506	83	20
1996	171	1050	3289	2181	556	129	40
1997	88	1841	3488	2252	584	96	39
1998	16	1371	3043	1788	555	185	74
1999	5	2146	4062	1577	375	82	18
2000	43	1336	3436	2473	822	146	72
2001	35	1689	3503	2274	883	231	124
2002	14	478	1897	1830	925	324	115
2003	15	498	1802	1199	501	223	136
2004	36	378	999	858	331	223	167
2005	32	417	765	755	328	134	81
2006	39	758	1598	686	277	133	108
2007	7	335	1460	1010	290	84	42
2008	34	243	699	725	278	126	66
2009	83	195	271	268	211	66	30
2010	67	87	150	159	87	52	35

Table A3. Total fishery mean weights-at-age (kg) for SNE/MA winter flounder (M. Terceiro, pers. commn).

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
1981	0.129	0.274	0.477	0.798	1.063	1.242	1.196
1982	0.092	0.263	0.440	0.697	1.052	1.257	1.840
1983	0.197	0.237	0.354	0.517	0.768	1.047	1.552
1984	0.148	0.261	0.370	0.546	0.695	0.915	1.284
1985	0.111	0.282	0.364	0.482	0.522	0.467	0.613
1986	0.129	0.292	0.398	0.480	0.685	0.879	0.961
1987	0.046	0.287	0.384	0.551	0.475	0.564	0.853
1988	0.039	0.279	0.351	0.508	0.634	0.517	0.827
1989	0.118	0.258	0.378	0.508	0.660	0.716	1.073
1990	0.082	0.295	0.394	0.525	0.672	0.808	0.990
1991	0.093	0.317	0.420	0.534	0.603	0.823	1.168
1992	0.079	0.287	0.427	0.599	0.802	0.945	1.395
1993	0.169	0.334	0.460	0.592	0.689	0.878	1.167
1994	0.162	0.311	0.429	0.550	0.750	0.985	1.281
1995	0.267	0.420	0.470	0.559	0.789	1.089	1.741
1996	0.136	0.380	0.464	0.607	0.824	0.851	1.085
1997	0.245	0.443	0.515	0.644	0.771	0.957	1.477
1998	0.196	0.362	0.465	0.568	0.665	1.090	1.116
1999	0.136	0.359	0.439	0.524	0.684	0.903	1.147
2000	0.106	0.407	0.492	0.622	0.729	0.975	1.079
2001	0.089	0.436	0.519	0.640	0.783	1.051	1.234
2002	0.135	0.372	0.499	0.617	0.747	0.927	1.143
2003	0.167	0.426	0.517	0.672	0.854	1.000	1.135
2004	0.094	0.384	0.549	0.619	0.786	0.945	1.251
2005	0.129	0.342	0.488	0.675	0.834	1.013	1.318
2006	0.118	0.379	0.468	0.652	0.872	1.065	1.289
2007	0.065	0.388	0.473	0.634	0.861	1.097	1.372
2008	0.110	0.355	0.477	0.597	0.754	0.939	1.238
2009	0.126	0.326	0.434	0.594	0.757	1.006	0.941
2010	0.127	0.329	0.505	0.615	0.766	0.899	1.075

Table A4: Survey data in terms of total numbers for SNE/MA winter flounder (Terceiro, 2011). The NEFSC survey units have changed (now given as stratified mean number per tow instead of mean total number), but only the 2010 data points are new.

	NEFSC spring	NEFSC fall	NEFSC winter	MADMF	RIDFW	CTDEP	NYDEC	NJDFW Ocean	NJDFW Rivers	URIGSO	YOY- MADMF	YOY- CTDEP	YOY- RIDFW	YOY- NYDEC	YOY- DEDFW
Month	4	10	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1
Ages	1-7+	2-6+	1-5+	1-7+	1-7+	1-7+	1-2+	1-7+	1-7+	1-7+	1	1	1	1	1
1981	9.02	10.21	-	47.80	87.98	-	-	-	-	0.43	-	-	-	-	-
1982	6.99	4.93	-	41.46	30.95	-	-	-	-	0.34	-	-	-	-	-
1983	6.26	8.76	-	58.14	58.95	-	-	-	-	0.37	-	-	-	-	-
1984	5.52	2.68	-	38.02	41.64	111.96	-	-	-	0.23	-	-	-	-	-
1985	5.36	2.73	-	39.49	34.98	83.57	3.35	-	-	0.32	-	-	1.52	-	35.04
1986	2.27	1.54	-	36.78	41.02	63.65	-	-	-	0.34	-	29.00	-	-	25.87
1987	1.76	1.17	-	39.16	56.22	79.93	3.43	_	-	0.33	-	11.60	2.67	0.17	65.05
1988	2.13	1.25	-	28.36	34.44	137.59	2.88	_	-	0.27	-	9.19	1.47	0.09	55.21
1989	2.49	1.44	-	27.38	20.88	148.19	5.89	_	-	0.18	15.46	18.92	11.20	0.02	36.44
1990	1.99	1.98	-	27.72	20.44	223.09	3.70	_	-	0.42	1.90	21.48	8.73	0.29	20.12
1991	2.47	1.95	-	11.02	40.97	150.21	6.94	-	-	0.33	2.85	12.19	14.72	0.63	16.80
1992	1.58	2.96	3.68	28.96	4.41	61.38	2.24	-	-	0.27	5.23	33.33	76.87	0.03	11.89
1993	0.96	1.38	2.59	50.40	2.92	63.59	14.24	19.17	-	0.29	11.90	5.29	17.10	0.27	19.06
1994	1.51	4.13	3.80	50.84	10.26	84.45	7.28	14.06	-	0.07	5.61	2.52	14.93	0.04	12.44
1995	2.10	2.25	2.22	37.37	32.19	50.12	4.11	30.41	2.82	0.15	14.23	5.64	4.10	0.31	57.63
1996	1.52	3.19	3.78	30.92	20.68	110.61	2.99	9.40	3.05	0.15	10.10	6.22	16.25	0.10	41.20
1997	1.44	7.89	3.91	38.51	22.27	71.31	6.56	36.02	3.35	0.22	19.22	4.70	4.42	0.04	43.05
1998	2.77	6.60	7.17	35.88	19.22	72.90	4.09	18.20	4.25	0.39	7.47	2.56	3.11	0.10	26.97
1999	4.17	3.60	10.33	25.98	13.46	41.35	3.47	17.79	3.23	0.17	9.24	14.97	7.52	0.13	13.24
2000	3.17	6.17	5.57	24.64	16.32	45.42	1.71	10.10	2.11	0.20	8.70	53.00	0.90	0.07	14.64
2001	1.57	4.88	3.10	15.79	12.49	54.51	5.69	13.83	2.84	0.35	4.33	13.73	2.31	0.08	16.70
2002	2.04	8.86	2.90	6.70	11.56	43.72	0.36	22.58	2.80	0.21	1.34	18.12	0.07	0.06	9.96
2003	0.77	3.21	2.20	17.73	5.56	27.84	0.54	12.52	1.57	0.10	3.06	31.22	0.86	0.01	19.71
2004	1.24	3.36	4.34	11.14	11.16	20.46	5.49	14.21	1.27	0.20	8.07	18.72	0.50	0.28	25.81
2005	0.93	3.71	4.05	27.02	15.74	16.10	_	25.67	0.99	0.10	10.96	5.28	_	0.20	30.75
2006	1.81	2.95	5.08	17.63	15.36	5.58	-	18.13	-	0.08	5.63	12.72	-	0.02	10.82
2007	0.94	3.48	2.79	16.68	7.33	28.66	0.15	18.58	-	0.16	0.93	14.17	1.11	0.15	8.54
2008	1.81	2.86	_	10.63	7.36	24.12	-	12.01	-	0.17	4.73	11.65	-	0.05	27.03
2009	0.99	1.78	-	14.58	3.67	22.64	-	13.98	-	0.09	1.97	10.77	-	0.02	11.54
2010	0.97	2.65	-	29.84	11.56	20.88	-	7.99	-	0.08	0.78	1.52	-	0.04	12.31

Table A6: Survey catch-at-age data mean numbers for SNE/MA winter flounder (Terceiro, 2011). The NEFSC survey units have changed (now given as stratified mean number per tow instead of mean total number), but only the 2010 data points are new.

ľ	NEFSC	spring	3						NE	FSC fa	II		
_		1	2	3	4	5	6	7+		2-	3	4	
	1981	0.99	4.00	3.41	0.47	0.13	0.01	0.01	1981	7.16	2.49	0.30	
	1982	1.16	3.20	1.56	0.74	0.21	0.09	0.03	1982	2.97	1.34	0.47	
	1983	0.58	0.97	2.14	1.23	0.81	0.37	0.16	1983	5.45	2.06	0.62	
	1984	0.22	1.36	2.18	0.85	0.46	0.29	0.16	1984	1.21	1.17	0.26	
	1985	0.41	1.21	2.16	0.72	0.51	0.20	0.15	1985	1.34	0.99	0.30	
	1986	0.10	0.49	1.16	0.31	0.15	0.05	0.01	1986	1.13	0.36	0.03	
	1987	0.14	0.54	0.70	0.28	0.06	0.02	0.02	1987	0.67	0.36	0.12	

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1981	0.99	4.00	3.41	0.47	0.13	0.01	0.01	1981	7.16	2.49	0.30	0.10	0.12
1982	1.16	3.20	1.56	0.74	0.21	0.09	0.03	1982	2.97	1.34	0.47	0.12	0.02
1983	0.58	0.97	2.14	1.23	0.81	0.37	0.16	1983	5.45	2.06	0.62	0.35	0.28
1984	0.22	1.36	2.18	0.85	0.46	0.29	0.16	1984	1.21	1.17	0.26	0.03	0.01
1985	0.41	1.21	2.16	0.72	0.51	0.20	0.15	1985	1.34	0.99	0.30	0.09	0.01
1986	0.10	0.49	1.16	0.31	0.15	0.05	0.01	1986	1.13	0.36	0.03	0.01	0.01
1987	0.14	0.54	0.70	0.28	0.06	0.02	0.02	1987	0.67	0.36	0.12	0.02	0.00
1988	0.09	0.48	0.99	0.37	0.16	0.02	0.02	1988	0.33	0.64	0.22	0.04	0.02
1989	0.14	0.95	0.90	0.34	0.11	0.02	0.03	1989	1.11	0.26	0.05	0.01	0.01
1990	0.23	0.49	0.89	0.28	0.05	0.04	0.01	1990	0.97	0.85	0.15	0.01	0.00
1991	0.14	0.60	1.22	0.41	0.05	0.02	0.03	1991	1.09	0.73	0.12	0.01	0.00
1992	0.14	0.39	0.62	0.36	0.05	0.02	0.00	1992	1.87	0.79	0.26	0.03	0.01
1993	0.14	0.35	0.26	0.12	0.07	0.01	0.01	1993	0.95	0.35	0.08	0.00	0.00
1994	0.16	0.74	0.43	0.11	0.04	0.02	0.01	1994	2.68	1.08	0.30	0.04	0.03
1995	0.22	0.75	0.87	0.22	0.03	0.00	0.01	1995	1.51	0.63	0.09	0.01	0.01
1996	0.07	0.54	0.66	0.17	0.06	0.01	0.01	1996	2.01	0.80	0.31	0.06	0.01
1997	0.13	0.50	0.56	0.18	0.06	0.01	0.00	1997	5.06	2.20	0.55	0.08	0.00
1998	0.33	1.21	0.72	0.37	0.13	0.01	0.00	1998	4.22	1.91	0.41	0.05	0.01
1999	0.41	1.89	1.35	0.36	0.11	0.04	0.01	1999	1.38	1.46	0.54	0.18	0.04
2000	0.28	0.70	1.19	0.65	0.27	0.07	0.01	2000	3.20	2.02	0.71	0.22	0.02
2001	0.17	0.26	0.47	0.44	0.20	0.02	0.01	2001	2.28	1.61	0.63	0.30	0.06
2002	0.11	0.60	0.56	0.38	0.23	0.11	0.05	2002	4.53	2.35	1.14	0.59	0.20
2003	0.12	0.11	0.33	0.10	0.05	0.04	0.02	2003	1.46	1.15	0.46	0.10	0.04
2004	0.30	0.19	0.29	0.26	0.11	0.05	0.04	2004	2.68	0.28	0.28	0.06	0.06
2005	0.10	0.45	0.11	0.16	0.07	0.03	0.01	2005	2.55	0.73	0.21	0.13	0.09
2006	0.30	0.62	0.62	0.16	0.08	0.02	0.01	2006	1.86	0.79	0.22	0.06	0.02
2007	0.11	0.14	0.36	0.26	0.04	0.01	0.02	2007	2.24	1.03	0.16	0.02	0.03
2008	0.18	0.61	0.48	0.41	0.11	0.01	0.01	2008	1.18	0.70	0.62	0.29	0.07
2009	0.06	0.22	0.30	0.16	0.18	0.05	0.02	2009	1.29	0.23	0.15	0.09	0.02
2010	0.21	0.24	0.30	0.14	0.07	0.01	0.00	2010	1.51	0.66	0.23	0.19	0.06

NEFSC	winte	er					CTD	EP					
	1	2	3	4	5+		1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
1992	0.73	0.86	1.09	0.73	0.28	1984	8.21	44.01	31.83	20.96	4.23	1.23	1.49
1993	0.56	1.16	0.54	0.18	0.15	1985	4.11	28.46	32.88	14.17	2.33	0.82	8.0
1994	0.36	1.16	1.76	0.25	0.28	1986	6.69	26	15.53	12.26	2.05	0.5	0.62
1995	0.04	0.75	1.26	0.17	0.00	1987	7.32	44.69	14.56	5.05	6.55	1.28	0.48
1996	1.01	0.87	1.55	0.32	0.02	1988	14.49	71.87	39.1	8.59	1.83	1.46	0.25
1997	0.43	1.49	1.32	0.54	0.13	1989	13.56	78.43	41.23	10.85	2.84	0.98	0.3
1998	0.42	3.52	1.95	0.96	0.32	1990	11.31	131.52	64.97	8.97	4.09	1.96	0.27
1999	0.84	5.94	2.23	0.96	0.36	1991	8.52	66.99	60.39	9.31	4.05	0.8	0.15
2000	0.23	2.82	2.12	0.24	0.16	1992	6.8	31.32	12.78	8.97	1.1	0.36	0.05
2001	1.04	0.55	0.70	0.54	0.27	1993	19.11	19.87	15.46	4.81	3.24	0.8	0.3
2002	0.08	1.34	0.74	0.15	0.59	1994	9.57	64.14	5.86	3.01	1.14	0.49	0.24
2003	0.09	0.57	1.04	0.25	0.25	1995	14.35	23.69	9.77	1.36	0.63	0.2	0.12
2004	2.17	1.02	0.43	0.36	0.36	1996	11.46	59.07	24.17	14.41	0.97	0.28	0.25
2005	0.39	2.56	0.36	0.43	0.31	1997	12.53	25.53	19.41	9.45	3.76	0.51	0.12
2006	0.00	2.40	1.73	0.51	0.44	1998	11.22	32.4	12.23	12.67	3.15	0.99	0.24
2007	0.02	0.56	1.03	1.03	0.15	1999	6.56	12.42	11.27	6.09	3.2	1.14	0.67
						2000	7.11	16.66	8.4	7.7	3.42	1.53	0.6
						2001	8.45	19.6	10.85	8.06	5.46	1.28	0.81
						2002	6.27	19.9	9.56	4.43	1.95	1.02	0.59
						2003	2.47	7.83	8.71	4.79	1.95	0.77	1.32
						2004	6.34	3.84	3.49	3.88	1.91	0.64	0.36
						2005	7.06	6.18	0.84	0.81	0.67	0.21	0.33
						2006	1.14	2.6	1.1	0.19	0.14	0.17	0.24
						2007	2.98	10.83	10.7	3.1	0.61	0.15	0.29
						2008	11.48	3.48	4.19	4.12	0.65	0.12	0.08
						2009	7.56	11.21	1.02	1.31	1.21	0.22	0.06
						2010	6.64	8.45	3.94	0.71	0.57	0.44	0.13

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
1993	5.1	6.5	2.5	2.4	1.7	0.4	0.57
1994	3.7	4.2	3.9	1.4	0.4	0.3	0.16
1995	8	10.1	8.6	2.4	0.9	0.3	0.11
1996	0.6	2.9	2.6	1.9	0.9	0.3	0.2
1997	16.6	5.4	6.1	6	1.5	0.3	0.12
1998	4.5	3.9	4.8	3.3	1.2	0.4	0.1
1999	2.4	2.2	5.9	3.1	2.9	0.7	0.59
2000	0.7	0.3	2.1	3.3	2	0.9	0.8
2001	3.9	0.6	1.3	2.7	3.8	0.7	0.83
2002	5.81	3.21	4.55	2.22	2.8	2.16	1.83
2003	2.08	1.1	4.79	1.24	1.09	0.87	1.35
2004	6.48	0.72	1.42	2.08	0.56	1.38	1.57
2005	4.97	10.04	2.55	2.76	2.61	1.32	1.42
2006	0.64	2.49	9.43	3.23	0.62	0.75	0.97
2007	3.8	0.67	4.33	6.09	1.51	0.62	1.56
2008	5.57	1.59	0.83	1.75	1.69	0.21	0.37
2009	2.84	4.35	3.54	1.34	1.48	0.33	0.1
2010	0.75	1.59	2.63	1.5	0.94	0.37	0.21