

Table 2-3. Growth parameters of California abalones. MLS_R and MLS_C , are minimum legal size (mm) recreational and commercial, respectively. Years is the time it takes to attain those sizes. Data is derived from the von Bertalanffy growth parameters, length infinity (L_∞) and the growth coefficient (k), as published in referenced papers.

Species	MLS_R		MLS_C		Location	Reference
	(mm)	Years	(mm)	Years		
Red	178	6-12	198	8-15+	Santa Rosa Is.	Haaker <i>et al.</i> 1998
Red	178	12	198	---	North Coast	Tegner <i>et al.</i> 1989
Pink	153	14	159	16	Santa Catalina Island	Tutschulte 1976
Pink	152	4-9+	159	4-11+	Mexico	Guzman-Del Proo <i>et al.</i> 1992
Green	152	14-21	178	21	Catalina Is. California	Tutschulte and Connell 1988, Parker <i>et al.</i> 1992
Green	150	5-6	178	9-10+	Mexico	Guzman-Del Proo <i>et al.</i> 1992
Black	127	20 - 30	146	--	San Miguel Is., Pt. Arguello (mainland)	Parker <i>et al.</i> 1992, Haaker <i>et al.</i> 1995
White	?	?	?	?		
Flat	?	?	?	?		
Pinto	102	9	102	9	Alaska	Woodby <i>et al.</i> 2000