

# White Sturgeon Length Frequency Distribution from Report Card Data

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The Department annually collects angler-reported sturgeon catch data by way of the Sturgeon Fishing Report Card. Anglers must report the length of kept sturgeon, and many provide the length of released sturgeon. Below are length frequency distributions of kept white sturgeon (Figure 1) and of released white sturgeon (Figure 2). Note: for display purposes, only showing range of 40-60 inches FL for kept fish and range of 10-100 inches FL for released fish. Reference to any descriptive statistics (e.g., n, mean, median) is representative of the truncated range. All length data prior to 2013 were converted to fork length.

For more in-depth summary of Sturgeon Report Card data, please click 'Reports' below, and then look for each year's Sturgeon Fishing Report Card: Preliminary Data Report.

[Reports](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/delta/data/sturgeon/bibliography.asp) (<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/delta/data/sturgeon/bibliography.asp>)

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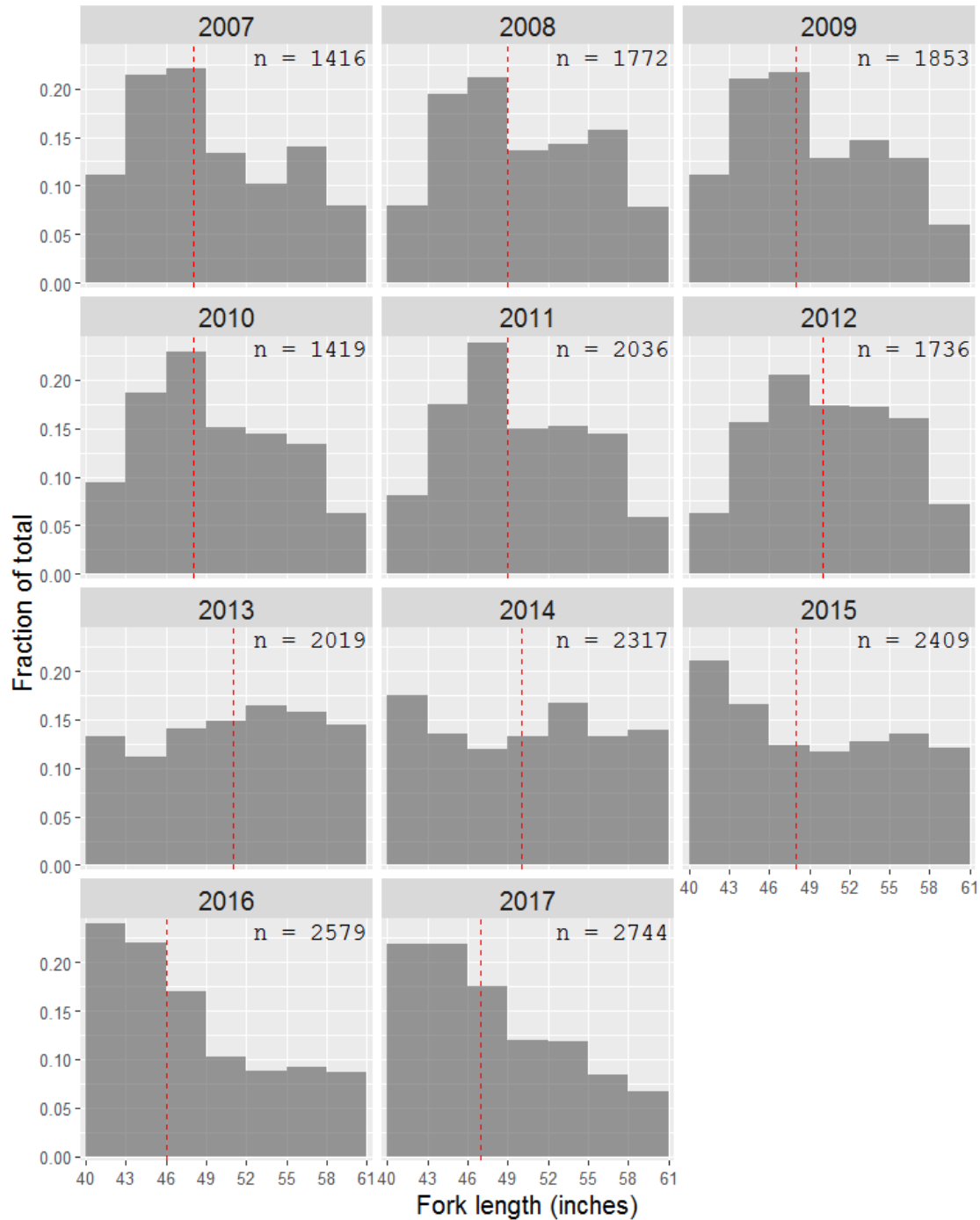


Figure 1 White Sturgeon length frequency distribution 2007 to 2017. Fork length data from Sturgeon Report Card using fish reported as kept. Red line indicates median length. Bins by 3 inches. Note: Not included are 138 records where length given was illegible or length was not provided.

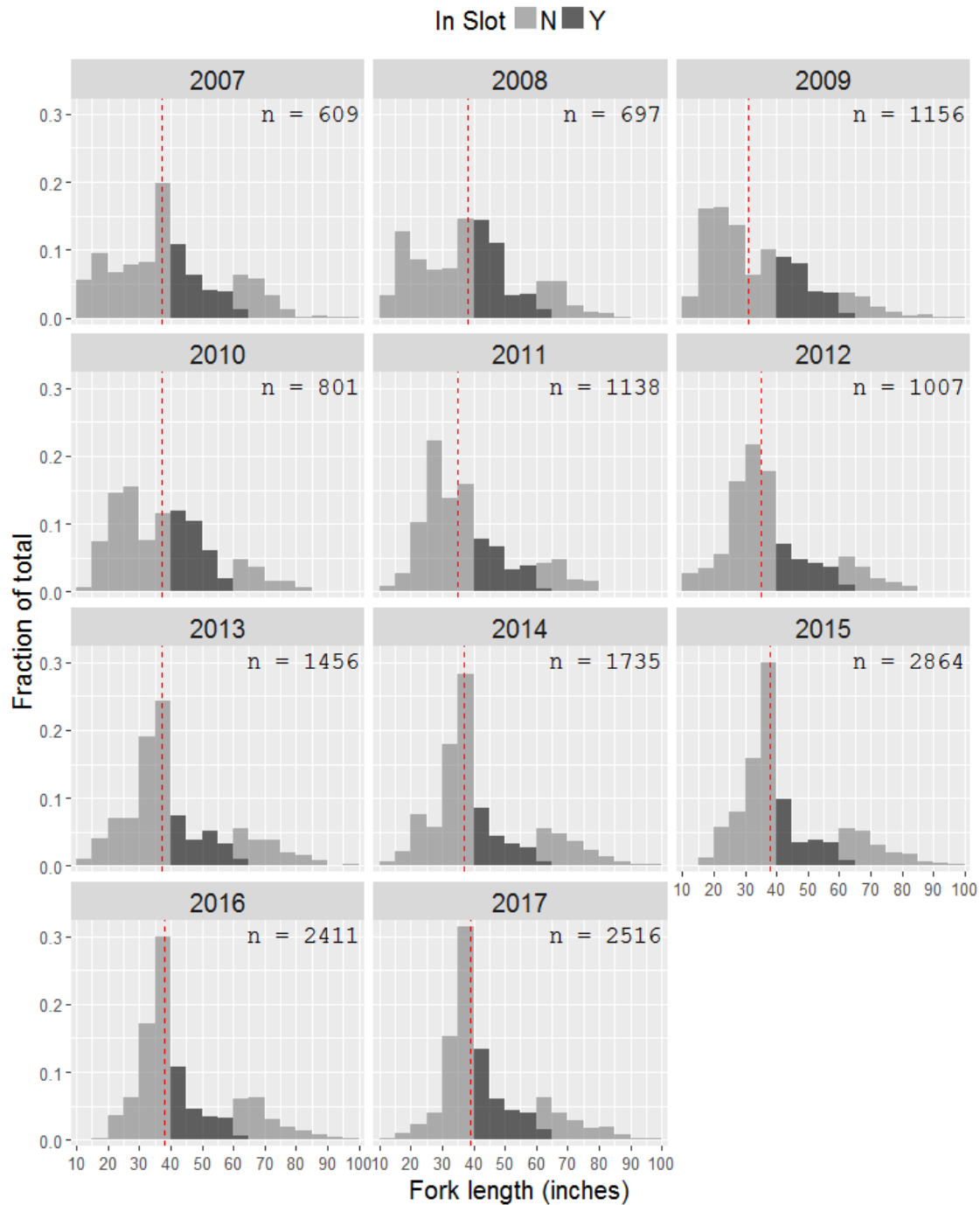


Figure 2 White Sturgeon length frequency distribution 2007 to 2017. Fork length data from Sturgeon Report Card using fish reported as released. Slot is 40-60 inches Fork Length. Red line indicates median length. Bins by 5 inches. Note: Not included are 58 records where reported length was less than 10 inches or was greater than 100 inches.