

South Atlantic Deepwater Longline Survey (SADL)

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Survey methodology

- NC to FL Keys
- 75 - 366 m
- Stratified by depth (75-146 and 146-366 m) and latitude (one-degree bands)
- Gear
 - 3-mile mainline (4-mile in 2020)
 - 150 hooks per mile
 - 12/0 offset circle hooks
 - Bait = squid (2-inch squares)
- Data collection at sea by NMFS observers



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- Site selection - three site types
 - Random
 - Universe random
 - Captain's choice
- Shallow cells - two random, three universe random, two captain's choice
- Deep cells - two random, two universe random, three captain's choice



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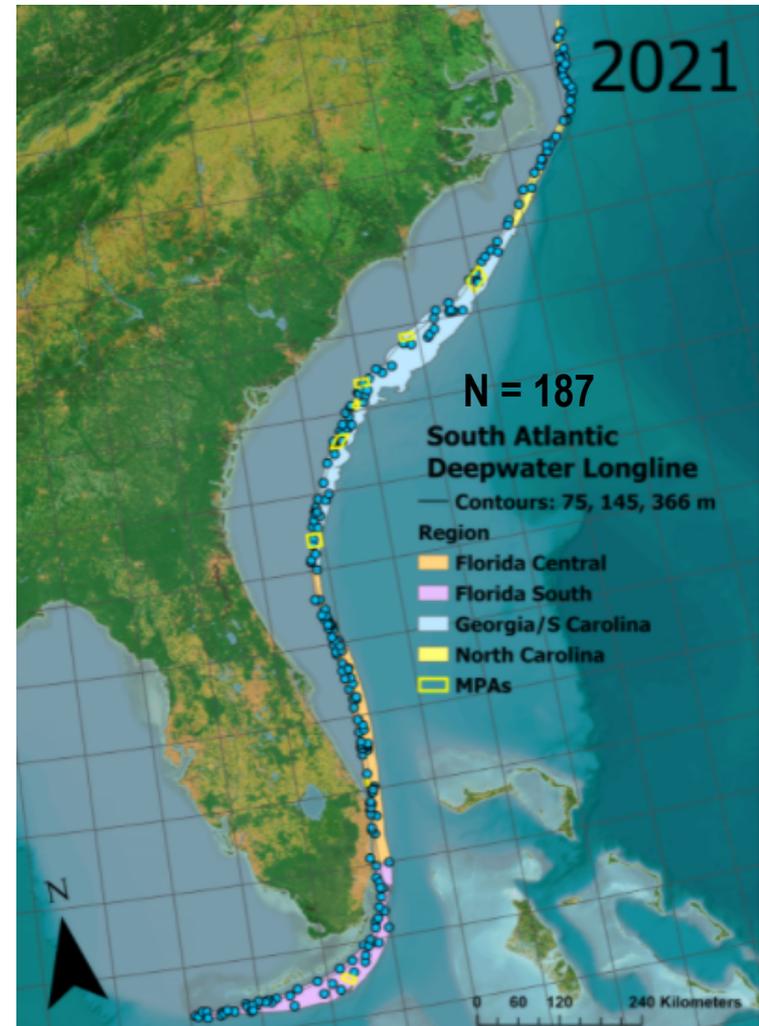
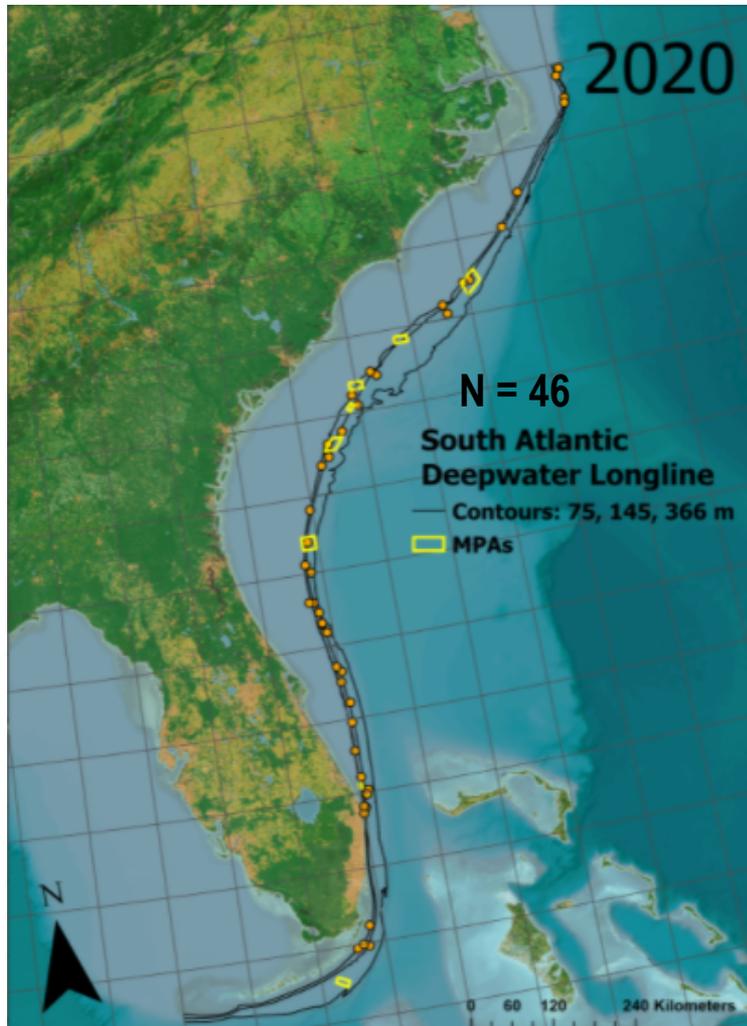


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Results - 2020 vs 2021 - teleosts

Species	Number caught - 2020	Number caught - 2021	Frequency - 2020	Frequency - 2021
Blueline Tilefish	38	1371	17.39	25.13
Tilefish Golden	166	898	21.74	24.60
Snowy Grouper	29	229	17.39	27.27
Almaco Jack	23	134	13.04	16.04
Mutton Snapper	36	82	15.22	9.09
Red Snapper	11	73	13.04	9.09
Red Porgy	14	58	8.70	6.95
Greater Amberjack	5	31	10.87	5.88
Blackline Tilefish	1	26	2.17	1.60
Gag Grouper	7	18	10.87	5.35
Yellowedge Grouper	5	13	4.35	3.74

Results - 2020 vs 2021 - sharks

SPECIES_NAME	2020 Abundance	2021 Abundance	2020 FO	2021 FO
Dogfish		168	0.00	5.88
Smooth Dogfish		50	0.00	5.35
Atlantic Sharpnose Shark	116	34	26.09	8.02
Roughskin Dogfish	2	24	4.35	5.88
Sandbar Shark	11	23	21.74	9.63
Silky Shark	11	20	15.22	4.81
Scalloped Hammerhead Shark	8	19	13.04	5.88
Shortspine Dogfish	8	17	2.17	2.67
Tiger Shark	15	14	19.57	4.81
Night Shark	2	11	4.35	5.35
Chain Catshark		9	0.00	2.67
Dusky Shark		5	0.00	2.14
Sharpnose Sevengillshark		3	0.00	1.60
Blacknose Shark		3	0.00	0.53
Great Hammerhead Shark		3	0.00	0.53
Bignose Shark	1	1	2.17	0.53
Blotched Catshark		1	0.00	0.53
Shortfin Mako Shark		1	0.00	0.53
Requiem Shark	1		2.17	0.00

