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Landscape pattern influences nekton diversity and abundance in seagrass meadows

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Supplement. Additional data on landscape metrics, abundance, and seagrass cover and patch forms

Table S1. Summary data for FRAGSTATS metrics computed for seagrass sampling plots in (1) small, isolated patches; (2) reticulated edge patches; and (3) continuous cover

Metric	Landscape Category	Summer				Fall			
		Average	Min	Max	StdDev	Average	Min	Max	StdDev
PLC_AREA_MN	1	46.50	25.00	88.00	22.85	81.67	31.00	181.00	51.19
	2	164.83	89.00	315.00	86.06	273.33	153.00	697.00	210.06
	3	3628.00	1736.00	4227.00	955.47	3626.50	1376.00	4235.00	1110.49
PLC_CIRCLE_MN	1	0.60	0.51	0.68	0.06	0.58	0.53	0.62	0.04
	2	0.65	0.59	0.79	0.07	0.61	0.55	0.64	0.04
	3	0.40	0.32	0.55	0.08	0.40	0.36	0.46	0.04
PLC_CLUMPY	1	0.98	0.97	0.98	0.00	0.98	0.98	0.99	0.00
	2	0.98	0.98	0.99	0.00	0.98	0.98	0.99	0.00
	3	0.99	0.96	1.00	0.02	0.92	0.61	1.00	0.15
PLC_COHESION	1	98.84	98.56	99.18	0.26	99.21	98.81	99.45	0.22
	2	99.57	99.50	99.64	0.06	99.71	99.58	99.81	0.08
	3	99.98	99.91	100.00	0.04	99.99	99.95	100.00	0.02
PLC_FRAC_MN	1	1.37	1.30	1.51	0.08	1.14	0.46	1.38	0.34
	2	1.40	1.18	1.91	0.26	1.27	1.10	1.38	0.09
	3	1.09	1.07	1.13	0.03	1.10	1.08	1.13	0.02
PLC_NLSI	1	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.00
	2	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
	3	0.18	0.00	1.00	0.40	0.06	0.00	0.28	0.11
PLC_NP	1	7.17	4.00	10.00	2.04	12.17	3.00	23.00	6.43
	2	9.17	4.00	15.00	3.76	8.83	4.00	12.00	3.06
	3	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.17	1.00	2.00	0.41
PLC_PLAND	1	7.06	4.69	9.53	1.89	17.35	12.85	21.11	2.91
	2	30.05	19.93	42.53	8.62	46.22	27.47	65.73	13.90
	3	85.04	39.23	100.00	23.22	89.62	61.97	99.84	14.28
PLC_PROX_MN	1	13.89	1.14	30.64	12.38	36.26	12.68	75.01	22.50
	2	519.32	63.38	1443.51	561.76	932.10	112.61	1736.60	660.42
	3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PLC_SHAPE_MN	1	1.71	1.52	1.93	0.17	1.61	1.53	1.76	0.09
	2	2.07	1.76	2.70	0.36	1.93	1.71	2.44	0.28
	3	1.47	1.33	1.71	0.16	1.48	1.38	1.72	0.14
PLC_TE	1	283.35	244.40	354.30	43.09	464.28	260.30	602.60	112.26
	2	740.20	478.30	1013.10	203.26	781.95	600.70	1023.50	157.20
	3	88.15	0.00	197.90	92.57	84.55	0.00	209.90	85.60
PLL_CONTAG	1	80.32	75.52	85.08	3.73	64.61	60.51	70.92	3.67
	2	53.48	46.51	61.19	5.62	48.90	45.53	54.67	3.33
	3	80.21	50.54	100.00	18.90	81.23	50.89	99.09	17.68

Table S2. Species accumulation data used to calculate species density in samples, summer 2009

Summer 2009		Species Accumulation Analysis													STDized Sample (61.2m ²)	Metrics			
Bay	Plot	Sample #		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
Corpus Christi	Small, Isolated Patches	1	10.9	21.7	32.6	43.4	54.3	65.1	76.0	86.9	97.7	108.6	119.4	130.3				m2 Seagrass	
			9.6	12.4	14.2	15.6	16.7	17.6	18.3	19.0	19.6	20.1	20.6	21.0			17.4	# Species	
		2	11.2	22.4	33.6	44.8	56.0	67.2	78.4	89.6									
			11.5	13.9	15.5	16.7	17.5	18.1	18.6	19.0									17.7
		3	6.8	13.6	20.4	27.2	34.0	40.8	47.6	54.4	61.2	68.0	74.8	81.6	88.4				
			9.8	12.7	14.2	15.4	16.3	17.0	17.6	18.2	18.6	19.0	19.3	19.7	20.0				18.6
	Reticulated Edge Patches	1	13.1	26.1	39.2	52.3	65.3	78.4											m2 Seagrass
			12.3	14.7	16.1	17.2	18.2	19.0											17.9
		2	10.7	21.3	32.0	42.7	53.4	64.0	74.7	85.4									
			11.2	13.6	15.0	16.1	16.9	17.7	18.4	19.0									
		3	13.7	27.5	41.2	54.9	68.7	82.4											
			12.0	14.3	15.8	16.9	18.0	19.0											
Continuous Cover	1	12.7	25.5	38.2	51.0	63.7	76.5											m2 Seagrass	
		9.5	12.5	14.4	15.7	16.5	17.0											16.3	# Species
	2	13.4	26.7	40.1	53.4	66.8	80.1												
		9.7	12.2	14.1	15.5	16.8	18.0												16.4
	3	12.8	25.6	38.4	51.1	63.9	76.7												
		12.5	15.6	17.4	18.8	20.0	21.0												19.8
Aransas	Small, Isolated Patches	1	10.6	21.1	31.7	42.2	52.8	63.4	73.9	84.5	95.0							m2 Seagrass	
			11.3	13.9	15.5	16.7	17.6	18.4	19.0	19.6	20.0								18.2
		2	9.0	18.1	27.1	36.1	45.2	54.2	63.3	72.3	81.3	90.4							
			13.5	16.9	18.6	19.8	20.7	21.5	22.2	22.8	23.4	24.0							
		3	10.8	21.6	32.4	43.3	54.1	64.9	75.7	86.5									
			14.6	18.5	20.8	22.5	24.0	25.1	26.1	27.0									
	Reticulated Edge Patches	1	12.6	25.2	37.9	50.5	63.1	75.7											m2 Seagrass
			14.0	17.1	18.8	20.0	21.0	22.0											21.0
		2	12.7	25.4	38.1	50.8	63.5	76.2											
			9.3	12.2	14.4	16.1	17.7	19.0											
		3	12.8	25.7	38.5	51.3	64.2	77.0											
			13.5	17.1	19.1	20.4	21.3	22.0											
Continuous Cover	1	13.0	26.0	39.1	52.1	65.1	78.1											m2 Seagrass	
		13.2	16.8	18.8	20.1	21.2	22.0											20.9	# Species
	2	12.0	24.0	36.0	48.0	60.0	72.0												
		10.5	12.9	14.7	16.3	17.7	19.0												17.7
	3	12.7	25.5	38.2	50.9	63.6	76.4												
		12.8	15.3	17.2	18.6	19.8	21.0												19.6

Table S3. Species accumulation data used to calculate species density in samples, fall 2009

Fall 2009		Species Accumulation Analysis												STDized Sample					
Bay		Plot	Sample #											(61.2m ²)	Metrics				
Corpus Christi	Small, Isolated Patches	1	11.9	23.7	35.6	47.5	59.4	71.2	83.1	95.0							m ² Seagrass		
			8.4	11.1	12.8	14.0	14.9	15.7	16.3	17.0							# Species		
		2	8.5	17.0	25.5	34.0	42.5	51.0	59.4	67.9	76.4	84.9	93.4	101.9					
			7.3	10.0	11.8	13.1	14.0	14.8	15.4	15.9	16.2	16.5	16.8	17.0		15.3			
		3	6.2	12.5	18.7	25.0	31.2	37.5	43.7	50.0	56.2	62.5	68.7	75.0	81.2	87.5			
			6.2	8.4	10.0	11.2	12.3	13.1	13.8	14.4	15.0	15.4	15.9	16.3	16.6	17.0		15.3	
	Reticulated Edge Patches	1	12.1	24.2	36.3	48.4	60.5	72.6							m ² Seagrass				
			9.0	11.7	13.5	14.7	15.5	16.0							# Species				
		2	12.7	25.5	38.2	50.9	63.7	76.4											
			10.7	13.1	14.5	15.5	16.3	17.0							16.2				
		3	12.2	24.4	36.6	48.8	61.1	73.3											
			9.2	11.5	12.8	13.6	14.3	15.0							14.4				
Continuous Cover	1	12.1	24.2	36.3	48.4	60.4	72.5							m ² Seagrass					
		11.0	12.9	14.4	15.5	16.3	17.0							# Species					
		2	12.1	24.3	36.4	48.6	60.7	72.9											
		11.3	12.7	13.8	14.6	15.3	16.0							15.3					
		3	12.2	24.4	36.7	48.9	61.1	73.3											
			11.0	13.2	14.3	14.9	15.5	16.0							15.6				
Aransas	Small, Isolated Patches	1	8.8	17.6	26.4	35.1	43.9	52.7	61.5	70.3							m ² Seagrass		
			5.3	7.8	9.6	10.9	11.9	12.5	12.9	13.0							# Species		
		2	8.1	16.2	24.3	32.4	40.5	48.6	56.7	64.8	72.9	81.0							
			6.1	8.7	10.3	11.3	12.0	12.5	13.0	13.4	13.7	14.0							13.2
		3	11.3	22.7	34.0	45.4	56.7	68.0	79.4	90.7									
			7.4	9.9	11.5	12.7	13.7	14.5	15.3	16.0							14.1		
	Reticulated Edge Patches	1	12.5	25.0	37.6	50.1	62.6	75.1							m ² Seagrass				
			6.7	8.5	9.8	10.9	12.0	13.0							# Species				
		2	13.5	27.0	40.4	53.9	67.4	80.9											
			8.2	10.7	12.3	13.5	14.3	15.0							13.9				
		3	11.8	23.7	35.5	47.3	59.1	71.0	82.8	94.6									
			6.8	9.3	10.8	11.9	12.6	13.2	13.6	14.0							12.6		
Continuous Cover	1	13.0	26.0	38.9	51.9	64.9	77.9							m ² Seagrass					
		8.5	11.1	12.7	13.7	14.5	15.0							# Species					
		2	13.0	26.0	39.0	52.0	65.1	78.1											
		9.0	10.9	12.3	13.3	14.2	15.0							14.0					
		3	13.1	26.2	39.2	52.3	65.4	78.5											
			11.0	13.5	15.2	16.4	17.3	18.0							17.0				

Table S4. Mean nekton densities in 3 landscape patterns over 2 seasons and p-values for significant tests and Tukey's pairwise comparisons. FDR: false discovery rate

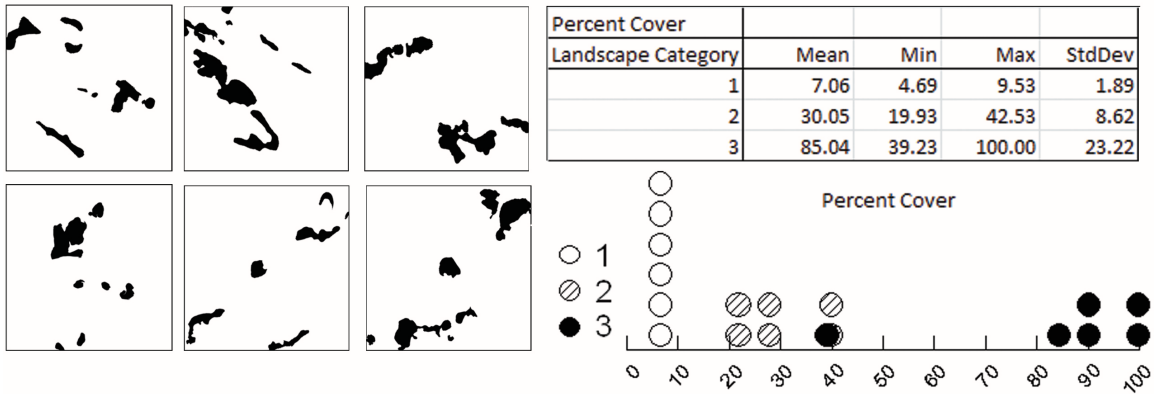
	Mean Density [Log(x + 1)] in Landscape Categories			P-Values for ANOVAs and Tukey's Pairwise Comparisons between Landscape Categories						
	(1) Small, Isolated Patches	(2) Reticulated Edge Patches	(3) Continuous Cover	Landscape Category	Landscape Category × Season	Landscape Category within Season	FDR Adjusted P-value	1:2	1:3	2:3
<i>Alpheus heterochaelis</i> *	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.012	0.084		0.015	0.973	0.020	0.033
<i>Ctenogobius boleosoma</i> *	0.91	0.75	3.23	0.051	0.106					
<i>Gobiosoma robustum</i> *	0.44	0.58	1.14	0.001	0.063		0.002	0.609	0.001	0.014
<i>Palaemonetes vulgaris</i> *	14.45	16.75	38.43	0.001	0.313		0.002	0.617	0.001	0.013
Summer										
<i>Tozeuma carolinense</i>	295.67	264.45	24.80		0.001	0.000	0.000	0.911	0.000	0.001
<i>Hippolyte pleuracantha</i>	47.65	42.73	56.84		0.000	0.640				
<i>Farfantepenaeus sp.</i>	3.46	4.02	6.33		0.001	0.360				
<i>Syngnathus scovelli</i>	0.53	0.44	0.37		0.041	0.301				
<i>Syngnathus floridae</i>	0.36	0.55	0.06		0.014	0.049	0.049	0.695	0.167	0.041
<i>Symphurus plagiusa</i>	0.09	0.02	0.02		0.007	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.877
Fall										
<i>Tozeuma carolinense</i>	73.83	69.67	65.88			0.643				
<i>Hippolyte pleuracantha</i>	9.11	12.68	65.03			0.000	0.000	0.198	0.000	0.000
<i>Farfantepenaeus sp.</i>	0.40	0.60	2.92			0.000	0.000	0.396	0.000	0.000
<i>Syngnathus scovelli</i>	0.21	0.25	0.55			0.030	0.034	0.933	0.039	0.075
<i>Syngnathus floridae</i>	0.11	0.21	0.18					0.649		
<i>Symphurus plagiusa</i>	0.02	0.02	0.01					0.295		

*Landscape Category × Season interaction was not observed; results for pairwise comparisons of landscape categories from overall ANOVA are reported here.

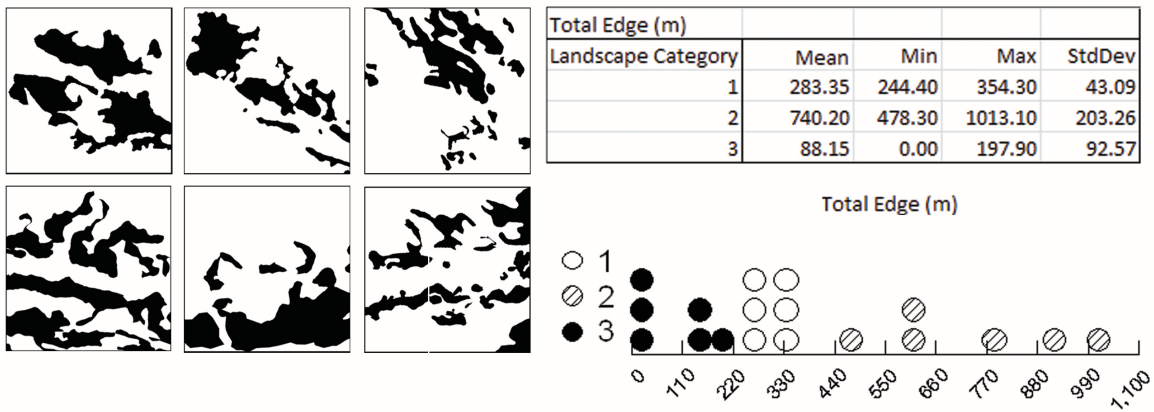
Table S5. Minimum, maximum and mean sizes (mm) of common decapods and shrimp

	Small, isolated patches			Reticulated edge patches			Continuous cover		
	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max	Mean
Decapoda									
<i>Tozeuma carolinense</i>	2.20	40.70	15.94	2.40	56.30	17.02	3.00	37.40	16.64
<i>Hippolyte pleuracantha</i>	4.20	43.60	15.46	5.00	51.00	18.80	3.50	55.30	19.29
<i>Palaemonetes vulgaris</i>	3.40	62.60	22.05	2.50	70.00	27.56	5.30	63.30	22.95
<i>Farfantepenaeus sp.</i>	3.90	13.40	7.33	4.00	10.50	7.44	4.10	10.70	6.43
<i>Litopenaeus setiferus</i>	4.00	13.90	6.65	5.80	9.90	7.85	4.70	12.00	8.46
<i>Callinectes sapidus</i>	7.50	10.30	8.90	6.00	19.00	12.50	4.20	25.90	11.84
Perciformes									
<i>Ctenogobius boleosoma</i>	4.50	35.00	19.50	4.70	38.30	19.68	2.60	33.10	13.70
<i>Gobiosoma robustum</i>	5.20	26.90	13.31	5.40	26.50	13.64	1.00	30.10	13.53
<i>Syngnathus scovelli</i>	7.00	112.70	43.80	6.40	102.40	46.25	7.10	106.60	45.73
<i>Syngnathus floridae</i>	12.60	140.40	60.51	11.50	149.90	70.71	8.10	153.00	71.58
<i>Bairdiella chrysoura</i>	3.10	53.30	13.74	3.30	68.00	12.45	3.60	35.70	19.69
<i>Cynoscion nebulosus</i>	2.30	48.00	8.71	2.50	35.30	10.01	3.20	57.30	9.38
<i>Sciaenops ocellatus</i>	1.30	12.50	5.98	3.00	12.20	5.99	4.10	14.40	7.89
<i>Eucinostomus argenteus</i>	7.20	50.60	9.56	5.90	24.70	9.26	6.70	21.80	8.94
<i>Lagodon rhomboides</i>	14.50	53.00	37.11	28.70	52.20	39.60	26.90	77.00	38.74
<i>Orthopristis chrysoptera</i>	40.80	60.70	49.82	29.90	46.70	39.80	50.80	59.50	55.15

(1) Small, Isolated Patches



(2) Reticulated Edge Patches



(3) Continuous Cover

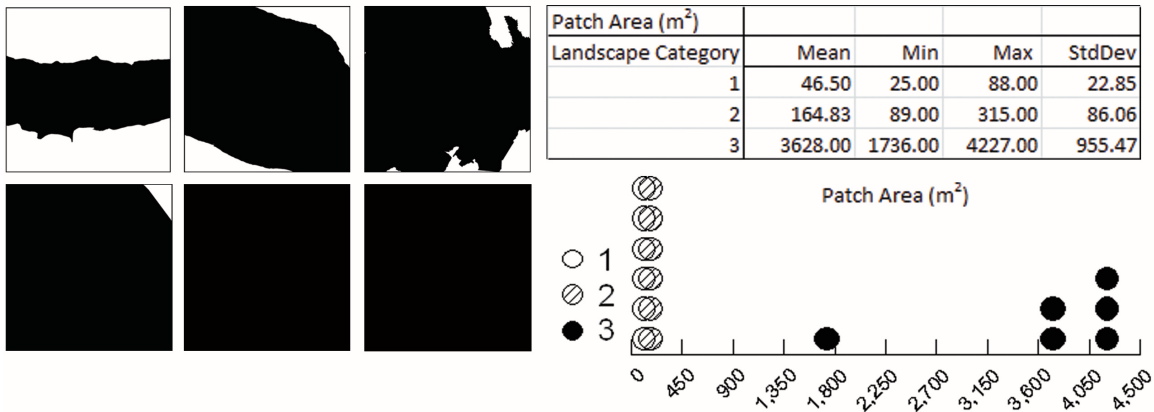
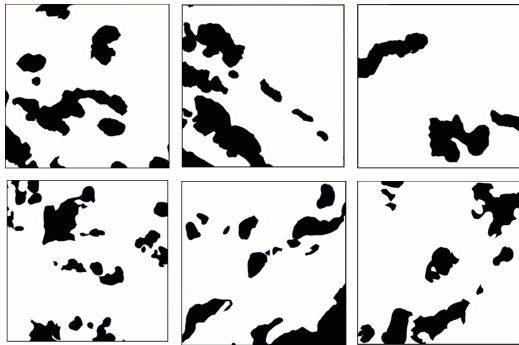
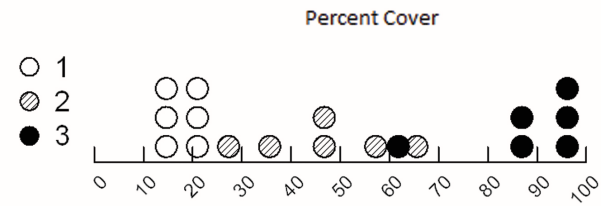


Fig. S1. GIS maps, summary statistics and frequency data for percent cover, total edge and patch size in sampling areas in Aransas and Corpus Christi Bay, summer 2009. Landscape categories are (1) small, isolated patches; (2) reticulated edge patches; and (3) continuous cover

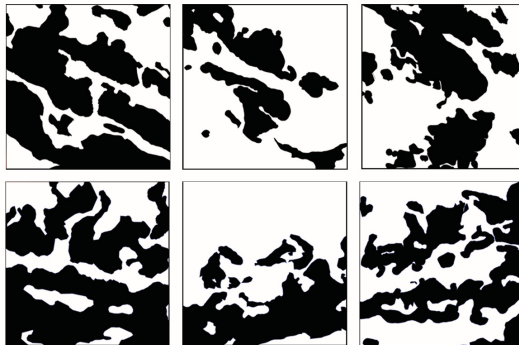
(1) Small, Isolated Patches



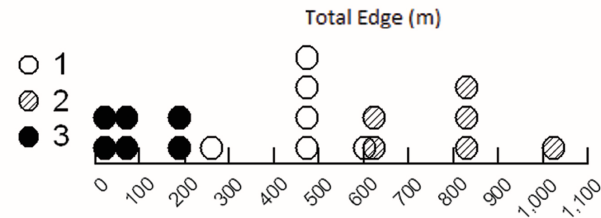
Percent Cover				
Landscape Category	Mean	Min	Max	StdDev
1	17.35	12.85	21.11	2.91
2	46.22	27.47	65.73	13.90
3	89.62	61.97	99.84	14.28



(2) Reticulated Edge Patches



Total Edge (m)				
Landscape Category	Mean	Min	Max	StdDev
1	464.28	260.30	602.60	112.26
2	781.95	600.70	1023.50	157.20
3	84.55	0.00	209.90	85.60



(3) Continuous Cover



Patch Area (m ²)				
Landscape Category	Mean	Min	Max	StdDev
1	81.67	31.00	181.00	51.19
2	273.33	153.00	697.00	210.06
3	3626.50	1376.00	4235.00	1110.49

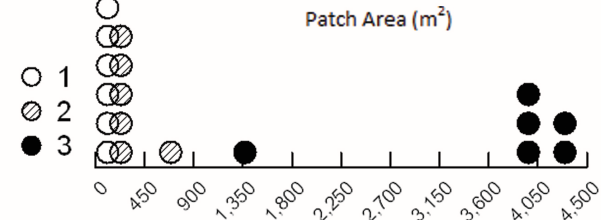


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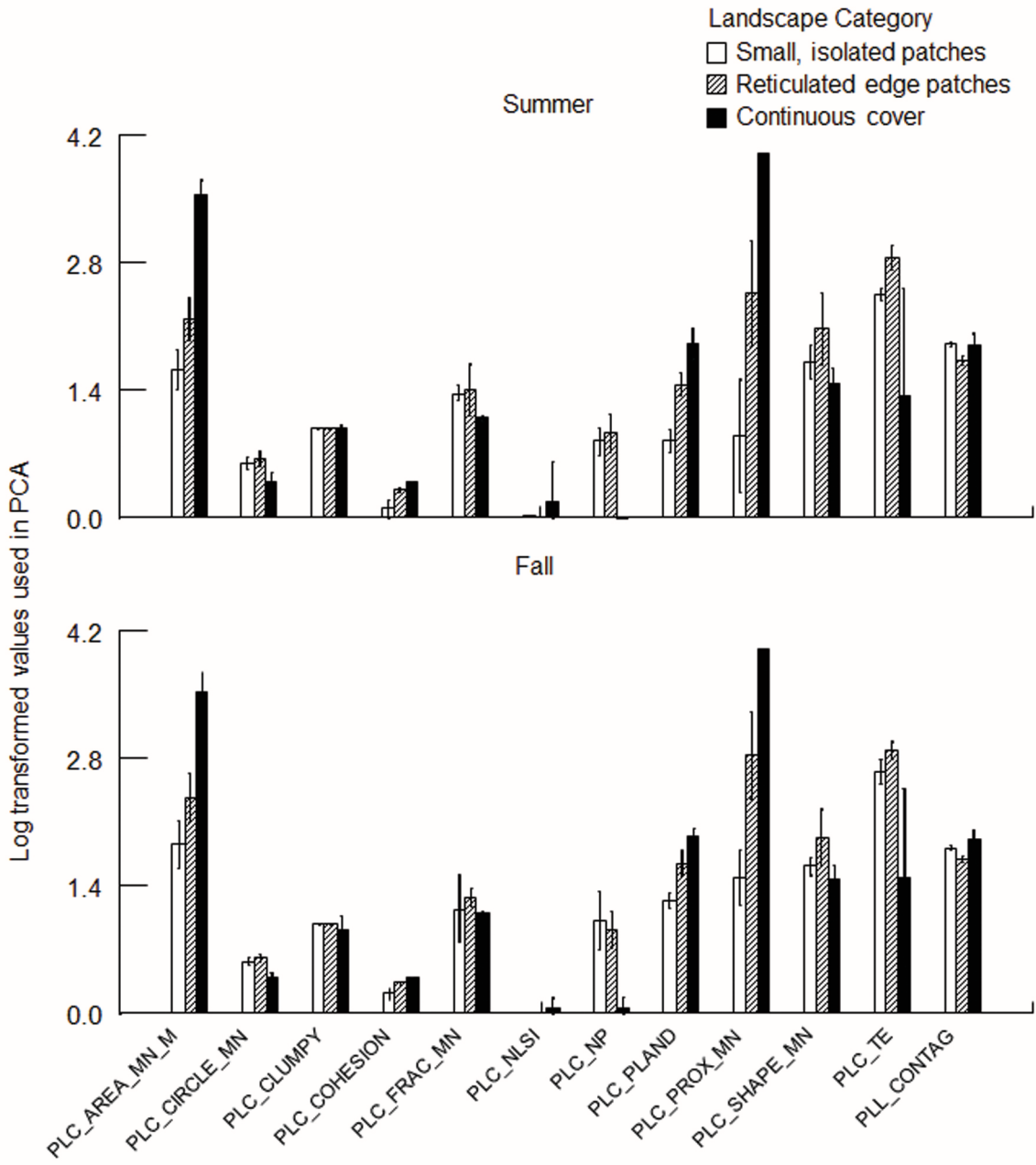


Figure S3. Log-transformed landscape pattern metrics used in the principal components analysis (PCA)

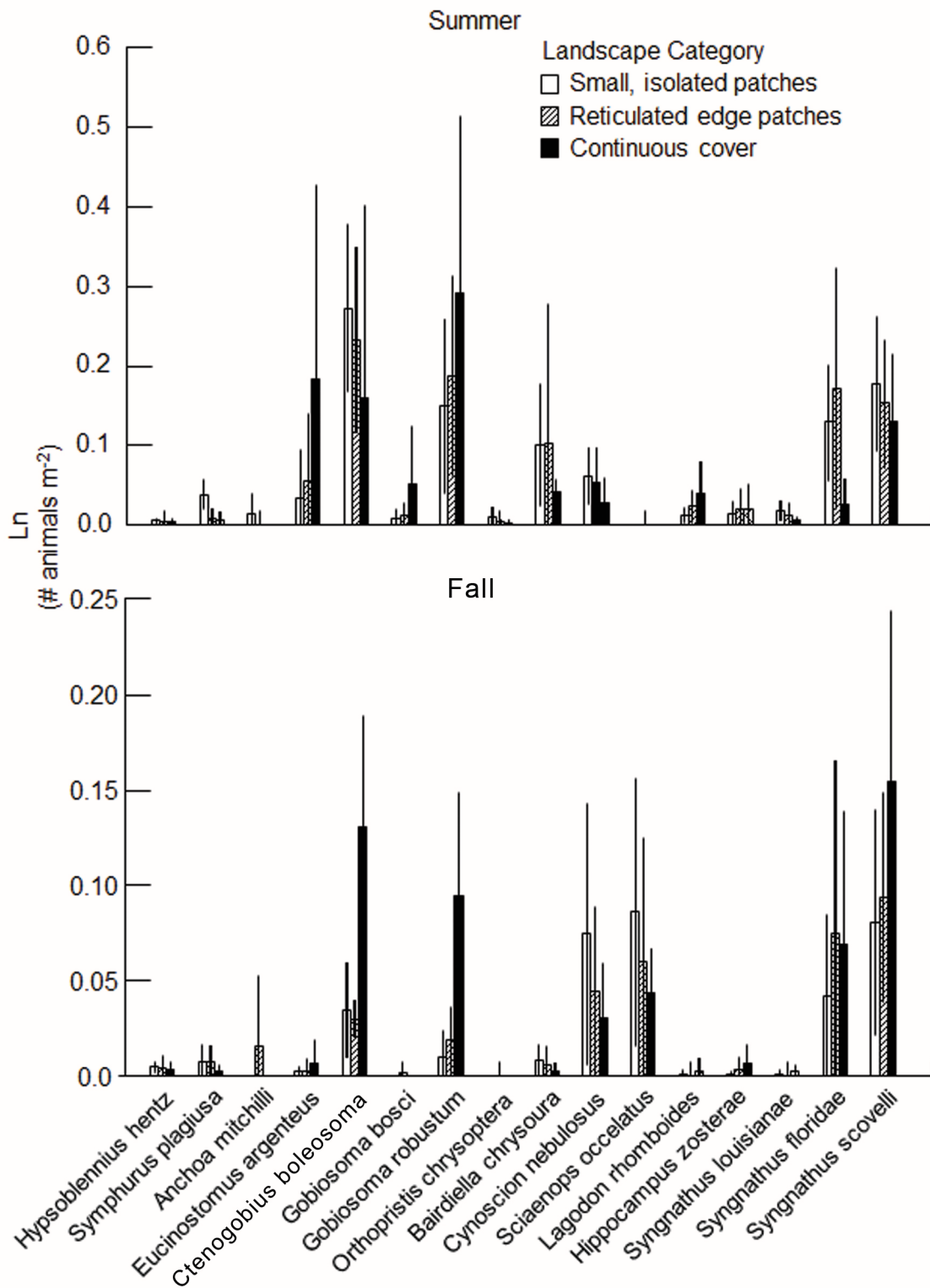


Figure S4. Log-transformed fish densities as a function of landscape category

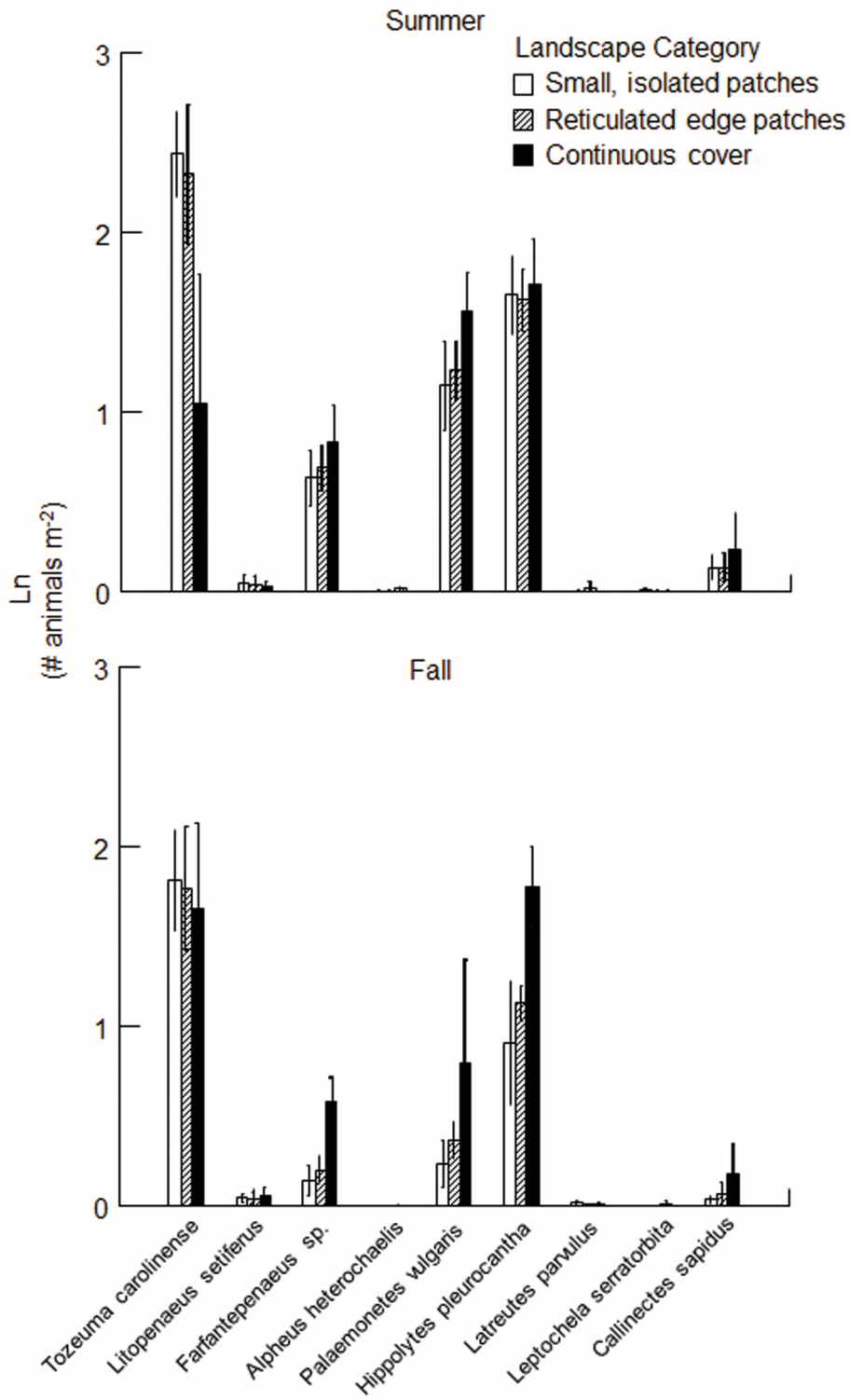


Figure S5. Log-transformed decapod densities as a function of landscape category

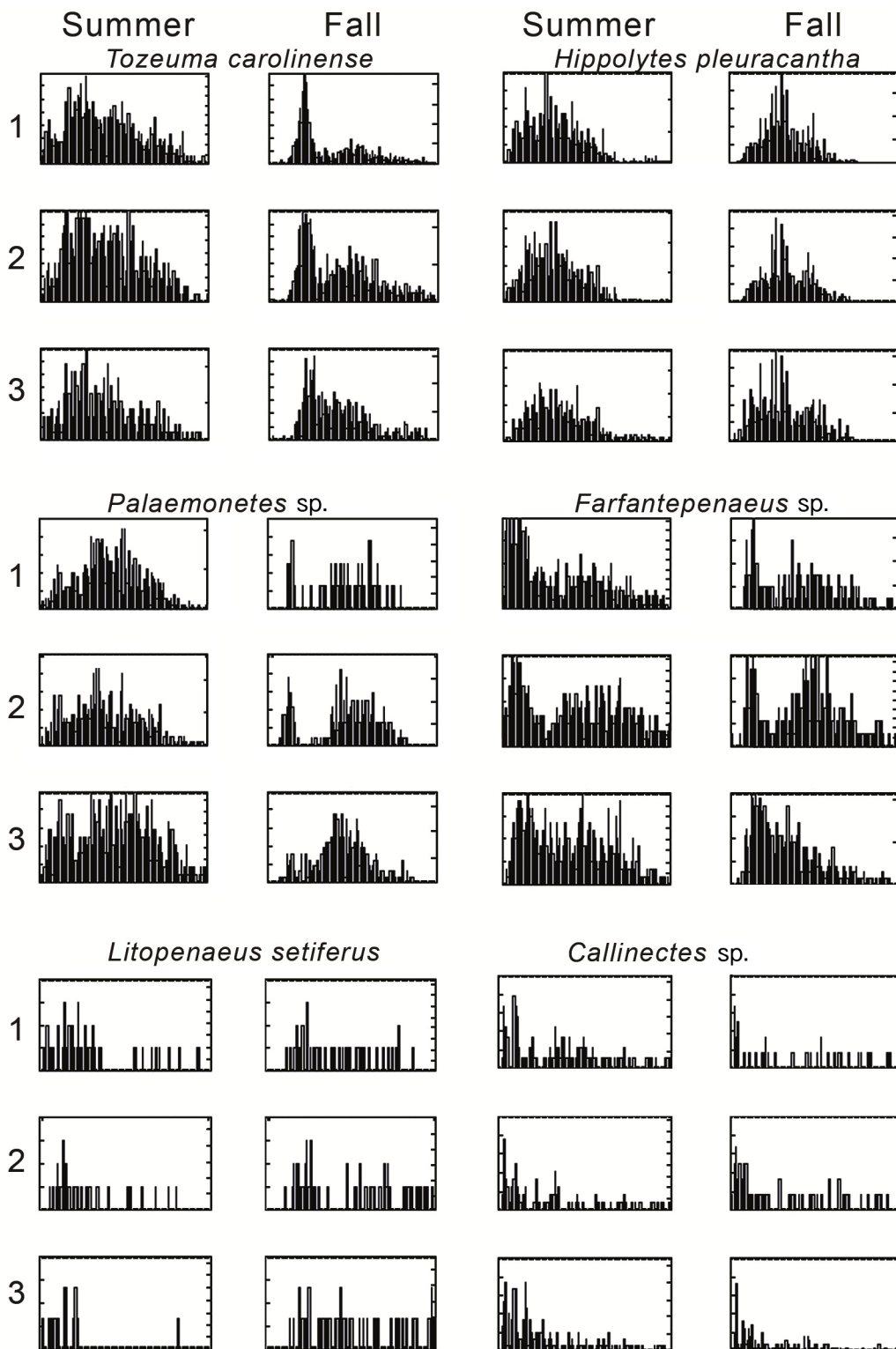


Figure S6. Size distribution of common shrimp collected during the summer and fall in seagrass meadows representing 3 landscape categories: (1) small, isolated patches; (2) reticulated edge patches; and (3) continuous cover. Size ranges for relevant species are provided in Table S5

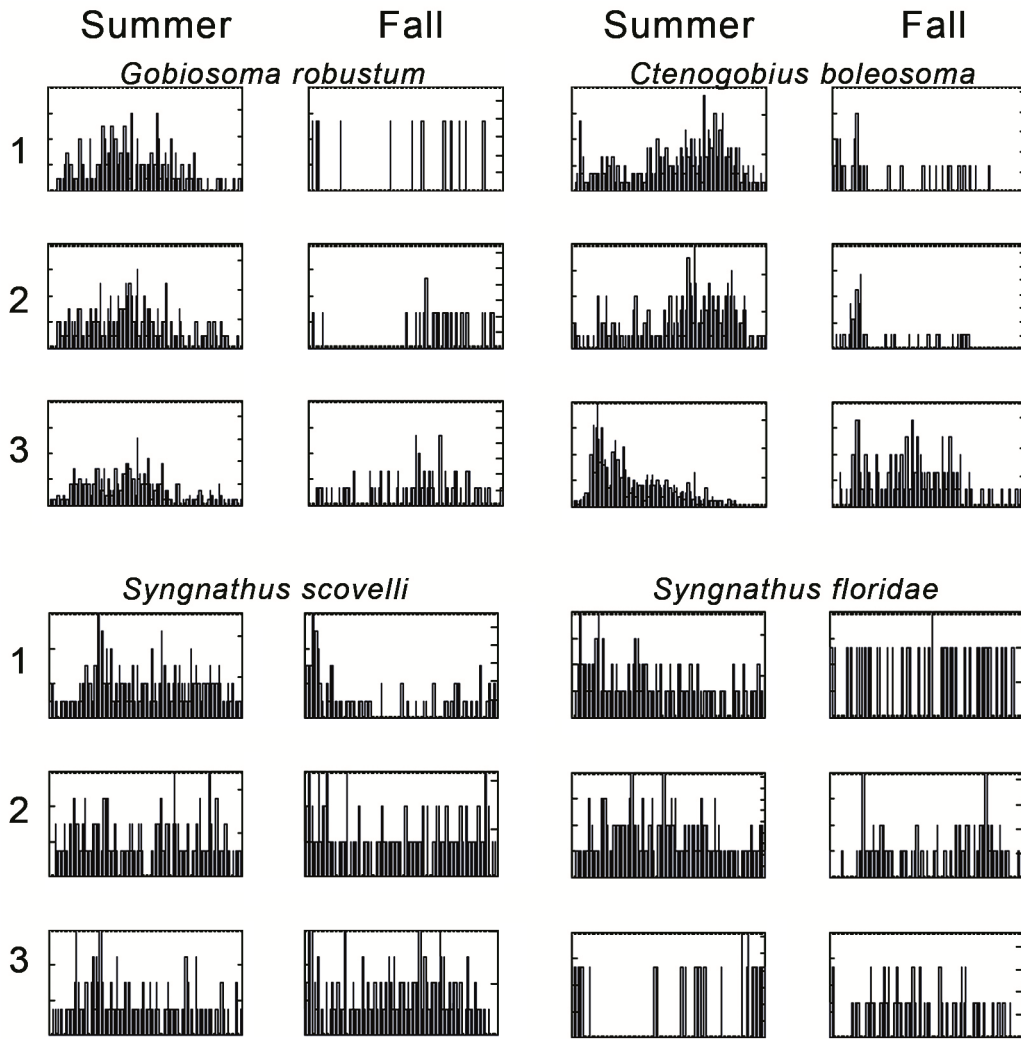


Figure S7. Size distribution of common fishes collected during the summer and fall in seagrass meadows representing 3 landscape categories: (1) small, isolated patches; (2) reticulated edge patches; and (3) continuous cover. Size ranges for relevant species are provided in Table S5