

Results of 2020 Saguaro Census on Plot 25, Rincon Mountains

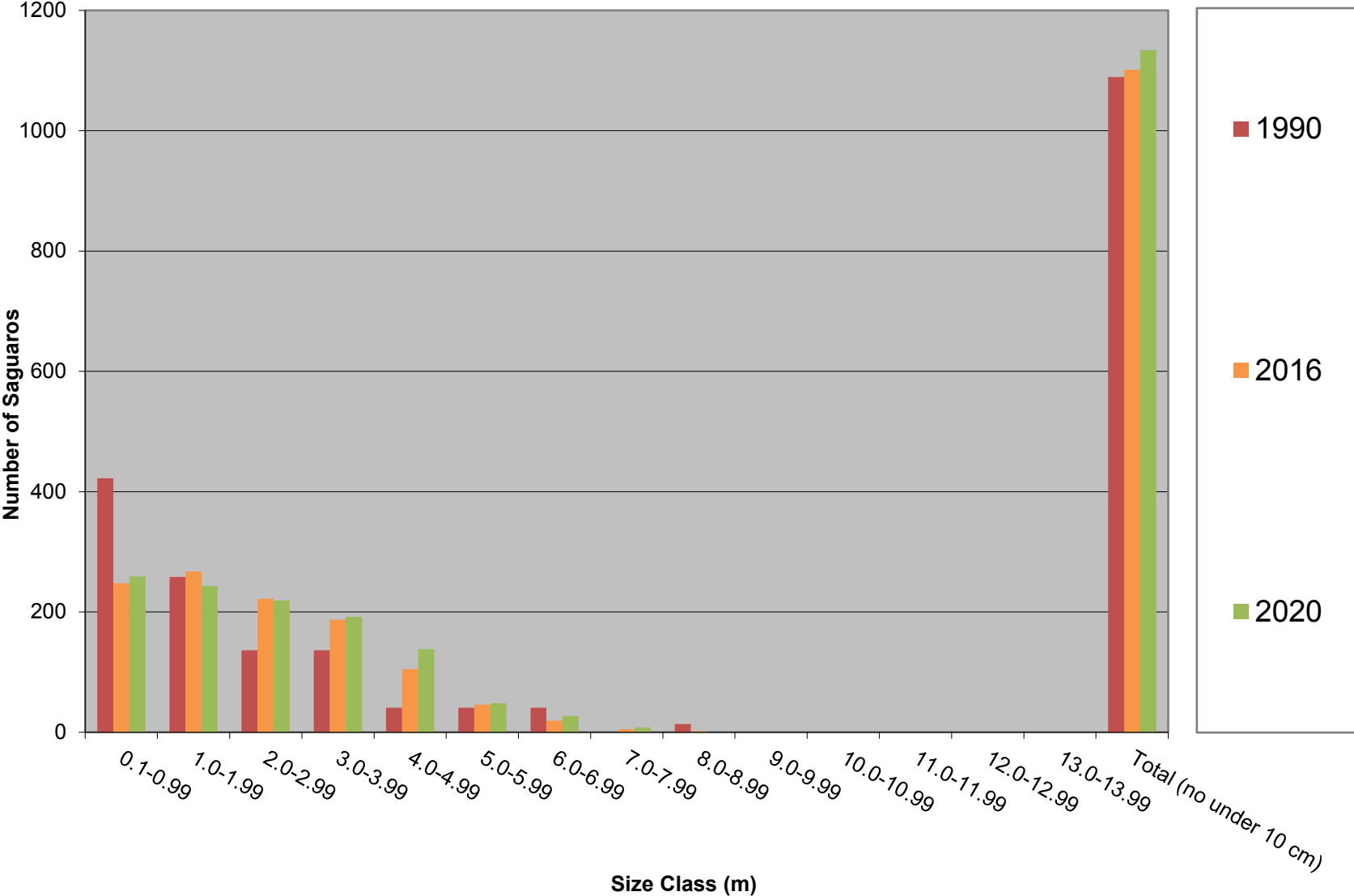
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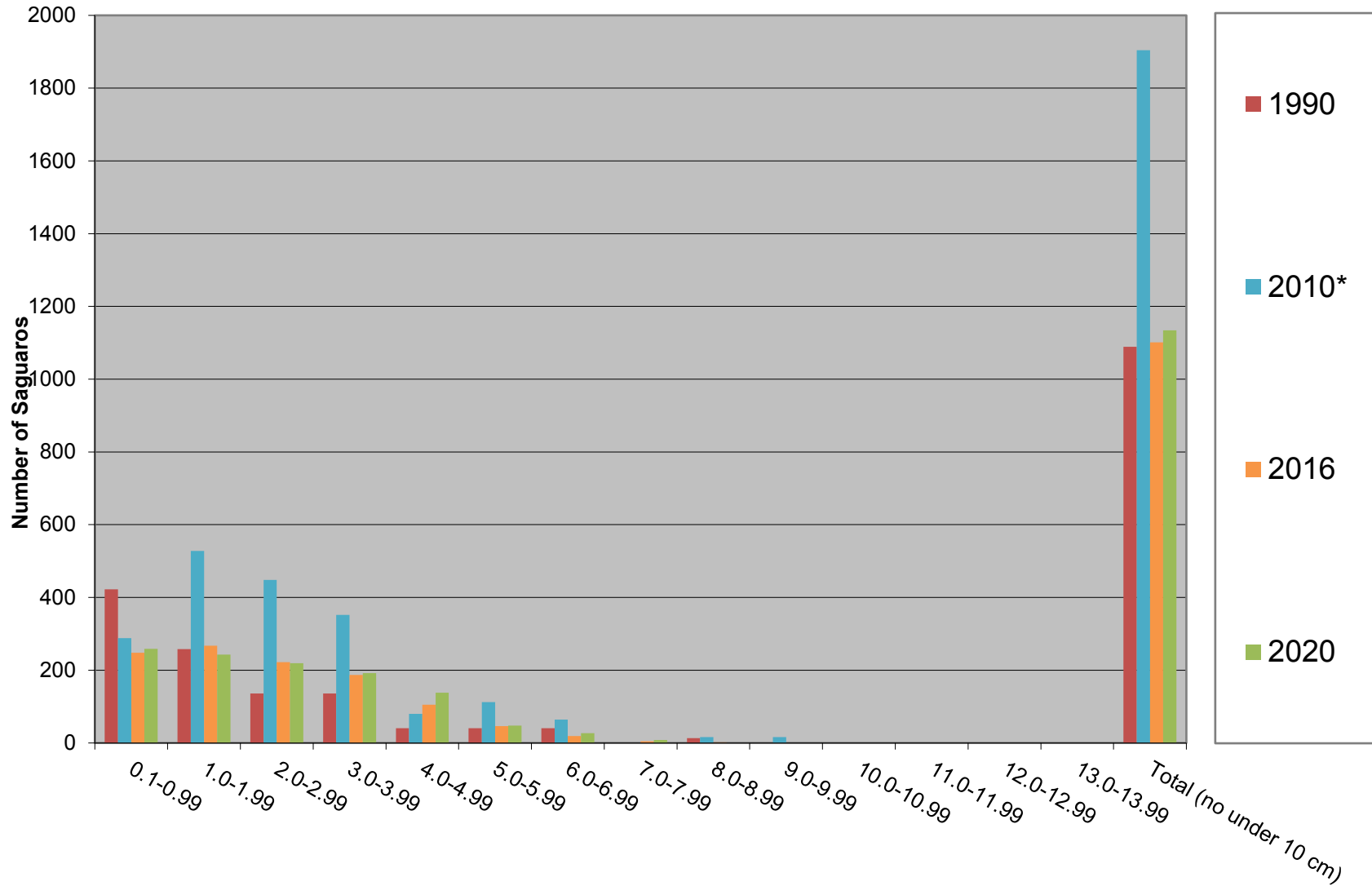
On March 4th and 5th we took this great Adventure Scientist group out to our densest plot in the east district, Plot 25, located north of Hope Camp Trail. Over the two days, we completed roughly 2/3 of the plot, a feat considering the lengthy hike to access the plot. This plot has a cool mixture of rock slabs covered with resurrection fern, and super dense clusters of saguaros. It also offers great views into the Rincon Valley. This plot was finished on March 19th by staff.

This plot has been fully surveyed three times, in 1990, 2016, and this year. Each resurvey, we have added saguaros to the plot. This year we documented 1150 saguaros. Interestingly, we don't see the huge increase in young saguaros from 1990 to the subsequent resurveys like we have seen across many of the other plots.

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* Subsampled and numbers extrapolated to entire plot

