

TABLE 1: AVAILABLE DATA

COMMON NAME:	WITCH FLOUNDER	SPECIES:	<i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>
AREA:	NORTHWEST ATLANTIC	STOCK:	GULF OF MAINE-GEORGES BANK (NAFO SUBAREAS 5+6)
CREATED BY:	JAY BURNETT 2000-12-18	UPDATED BY:	

Data status									
Year	Stock size	Stock composition	Age	Sex ratio	Maturity	Fecundity	Weight	Condition	Additional data
2001									
2000	(√)	√	√	(√)	(√)		√	(√)	(√)
1999	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1998	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1997	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1996	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1995	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1994	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1993	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1992	√	√	√	(√)	√		√	(√)	(√)
1991	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1990	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1989	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1988	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1987	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1986	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1985	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1984	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1983	√	√	√	(√)	√	√	√		(√)
1982	√	√	√	(√)	√		√		(√)
1981	(√)	√	√	(√)	√		(√)		(√)
1980	(√)	√	√	(√)	√		(√)		(√)
1979	(√)	√		(√)	√				(√)
1978	(√)	√		(√)	√				(√)
1977	(√)	√		(√)	√				(√)
1976	(√)	√							(√)

Data status									
Year	Stock size	Stock composition	Age	Sex ratio	Maturity	Fecundity	Weight	Condition	Additional data
1975	(√)	√							(√)
1974	(√)	√							(√)
1973	(√)	√							(√)
1972	(√)	√							(√)
1971	(√)	√							(√)
1970	(√)	√							(√)
1969	(√)	√							(√)
1968	(√)	√							(√)
1967	(√)	√							(√)
1966	(√)	√							(√)
1965	(√)	√							(√)
1964	(√)	√							(√)
1963	(√)	√							(√)

TABLE 2: DATA BASIS, FORMAT AND QUALITY

COMMON NAME:	WITCH FLOUNDER		
AREA:	NORTHWEST ATLANTIC		
STOCK:	GULF OF MAINE-GEORGES BANK (NAFO SUBAREAS 5+6)		
REPRODUCTIVE STRATEGY:	DETERMINATE SPAWNER	REF. NO.:	
TIMING OF SPAWNING:	APRIL-AUGUST	REF. NO.:	1
OPTIMAL TIME FOR MATURITY SAMPLING:	MARCH-APRIL	REF. NO.:	1

Data basis, format and quality						
Variables	Year range	Data basis (A/L/W)	Data origin	Sampling frequency	Notes on data, methods and contents	Ref. No.
Stock size	1963-1981	L	S	B	Relative abundance	2
	1982-1999	A	CL,S	Q	VPA	2
	2000	L	S	B	Relative abundance	3
Stock composition	1963-1979	L	S	B	Low sampling of large market categories	2
	1980-1991	L,A	S,CL	Q		2
	1992-2000	L,A,W	S,CL,CC	Q		2,3
Age determination	1980-2000		S,CL,CC	B,Q		2,4
Sex ratio	1980-2000	L,A	S	B		3
Maturity:						
A. Ogives (E)	1977-1979 1980-2000	L L,A	S S	B B	Macroscopic observations	2,5,6
B. Skip of spawning						
C. Spawning probability						
D. Other						
Fecundity:						
A. Estimation	1983	L,A,W	CC	JUNE	Small sample n=25	5
B. First time vs. repeat spawners	1982-1993	A	S	B		7
C. Atresia						
D. Other						
Weight:						
A. Commercial fisheries data	1982-2000	L,A	CL	Q	Estimated using method of Rivard (1980)	2,3

Data basis, format and quality						
Variables	Year range	Data basis (A/L/W)	Data origin	Sampling frequency	Notes on data, methods and contents	Ref. No.
B. Survey data	1963-1979	L,W	S	B	Estimated means	2,3
	1980-1982	L,A	S	B	Individual fish weights	8
	1983-1991	L,A	S	B	Estimated means	2,3
	1992-2000	L,A	S	B	Individual fish weights	2,3
C. Other						
Condition:						
A. Fulton						
B. HSI						
C. Energy						
D. Other	1980-1982	L,A,W	S	B	Gonadosomatic indices, n=>1100	8
Egg viability:						
A. Egg quality						
B. Fertilisation success						
C. Egg mortality						
D. Other						
Larval viability:						
A. Hatching success						
B. Larvae quality						
C. Mortality						
D. Other						
Spawning time	1963-2000		S	M-Q	Egg and larval surveys	1,9,10,11
Contamination						
Environmental key factors						
Other factors or parameters						

TABLE 3: STUDIES OF REPRODUCTIVE POTENTIAL

COMMON NAME:	WITCH FLOUNDER
AREA:	NORTHWEST ATLANTIC
STOCK:	GULF OF MAINE-GEORGES BANK (NAFO SUBAREAS 5+6)

Estimation of reproductive potential			
Subject	Brief description	Year range	Ref. No.
Potential or realised egg production			
Viable egg and larvae production			
Critical life stages			
Environmental influences			
Stock recruitment relations	Spawning stock biomass vs age 3 recruits	1982-1994	2
	Adjusted for first-time vs repeat spawners	1982-1993	7
Other studies			

TABLE 4: DATA SOURCES

COMMON NAME:	WITCH FLOUNDER
AREA:	NORTHWEST ATLANTIC
STOCK:	GULF OF MAINE-GEORGES BANK (NAFO SUBAREAS 5+6)

Data sources (literature reference or contact person)	
1. SMITH, W. G. 1985. Temporal and spatial spawning patterns of the principal species of fish and invertebrates in the Georges Bank region. <i>NMFS Sandy Hook Lab. Rep.</i> , No. SHL 85-04, 35 p.	
2. WIGLEY, S. E., J. K. T. BRODZIAK, and S. X. CADRIN. 1999. Assessment of the witch flounder stock in Subareas 5 and 6 for 1999. <i>NEFSC Ref. Doc.</i> , 99-16, 153 p.	
3. S.E. WIGLEY, Northeast Fisheries Science Center, 166 Water St, Woods Hole, MA 02543, USA (Susan.Wigley@noaa.gov).	
4. BURNETT, J. 1988. Witch flounder. In: Age determination methods for Northwest Atlantic species. J. Penttila, and L. M. Dery (eds.). <i>NOAA Tech. Rep., NMFS</i> , 72: 135 p.	
5. BURNETT, J., M. R. ROSS, and S. H. CLARK. 1992. Several biological aspects of the witch flounder (<i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i> L.) in the Gulf of Maine-Georges Bank region. <i>J. Northw. Atl. Fish. Sci.</i> , 12: 15-25.	
6. O'BRIEN, L., J. BURNETT, and R. K. MAYO. 1993. Maturation of nineteen species of finfish off the northeast coast of the United States, 1985-1990. <i>NOAA Tech. Rep., NMFS</i> , 113: 66 p.	
7. WIGLEY, S. E. 1998. Effects of first-time spawners on stock-recruitment relationships for two groundfish species. In: Variations in maturation, growth, condition and spawning stock biomass production in groundfish. J. Morgan, J. Burnett, and E. Aro (eds.). <i>J. Northw. Atl. Fish. Sci.</i> , 25: 215-218.	
8. UNPUBL. DATA: J. BURNETT, Northeast Fisheries Science Center, 166 Water St., Woods Hole, MA 02543, USA (Jay.Burnett@noaa.gov).	
9. COLTON, J., and J. ST. ONGE. 1974. Distribution of fish eggs and larvae in continental shelf waters, Nova Scotia to Long Island. <i>Ser. Atlas Mar. Environ., Am. Geogr. Soc. Folio</i> , 23.	
10. COLTON, J. B., Jr., W. G. SMITH, A. W. KENDALL, Jr., P. L. BERRIEN, and M. P. FAHAY. 1979. Principal spawning areas and times of marine fishes, Cape Sable to Cape Hatteras. <i>Fish. Bull. U.S.</i> , 76(4): 5.	
11. SMITH, W.G., J. D. Sibunka, and A. WELLS. 1975. Seasonal distributions of larval flatfish (Pleuronectiformes) on the continental shelf between Cape Cod and Cape Lookout, N.C., 1965-66. <i>NOAA Tech. Rep., Spec. Sci. Rep. Fish</i> , 691: 68 p.	