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Nominal catch and catch at age

Cod catches from Div. 3NO since 1978, along with corresponding TAC's, are as follows:

| | <u>1978</u> | <u>1979</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1981</u> | <u>1982</u> | <u>1983</u> | <u>1984</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1986</u> | <u>1987</u> |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| TAC ('000 t) | 15 | 25 | 26 | 26 | 17 ^b | 17 ^b | 26 | 33 | 33 ^a | 33 |
| Catch ('000 t) | 15 | 28 | 20 | 24 | 32 | 29 | 27 | 35 ^a | 51 ^a | |

^aProvisional.

^bExcluded expected catches by Spain.

Catches by country for Div. 3NO since 1953 as well as those for country, month, and gear in 1986 are shown in Tables 1 and 2 respectively. Catch statistics for 1986 for Canada were obtained from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada, while those for other countries were obtained from NAFO Circular Letters, the NAFO Secretariat and/or FLASH records. Catches from 1981 to 1985 averaged approximately 30,000 t but have increased since 1984. Preliminary data suggest a substantial increase from 1984 to 1985. Sampling data available (Table 3) was almost entirely from the Canadian fishery and was obtained by the Canadian Port Sampling and Observer Program Sampling units of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

This data was used to estimate the catch and average lengths and weights at age (Table 4) for all catches reported by month (Table 2). No sampling was available from the remaining catch (32,133 t). Average weights-at-age were determined by applying a length-weight relationship ($\log \text{weight} = 3.0849 \log \text{length} - 5.2106$) to length frequencies and age length keys. The calculated catch was within 4% of the reported catch. Dominant year-classes were those from 1980-82.

Survey data

In the most recent assessment of this stock (Bishop and Baird, 1986) Canadian survey data were presented for surveys conducted from 1971 to 1986. For reference purposes data from these surveys are presented again in Tables 5-11. Preliminary results from the spring 1987 surveys in terms of total biomass and abundance are shown in Tables 5 and 6.

Total biomass estimates from Canadian surveys showed a substantial increase in both divisions from 1982 to 1984. Biomass was somewhat stable from 1984 to 1986 but indicated an increase in 1987 particularly in Div. 30. Approximately 85% of the biomass in 1987 in Div. 30 was from 4 strata, namely 329, 340, 351, and 352 (Fig. 1). This pattern of biomass distribution is not inconsistent with that occurring in past surveys (Table 6) with the exception of the large estimates in Strata 329 and 340.

* See Appendix (page 13) for additional information.

Commercial catch-effort data

Catch and effort data for 1977-85 was obtained from NAFO statistical bulletins while that for the Canadian otter trawl fleet for 1986 was provided by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada. Catch rates from the otter trawl and pair trawl fisheries were analyzed separately because of differences in their seasonal patterns (Tables 12, 13). Plots of residuals indicated that data with greater catch and effort were less variable, therefore, estimated weights calculated according to Judge et al. (1980, p. 132) were applied in a weighted regression of the multiplicative model. To reduce the possible effect of truncation and rounding errors data with less than 10 t catch or 10 hours effort were excluded from the analysis. In previous assessments of this stock catch rates were analyzed from 1959 to the present. It was considered to be more appropriate and reliable to use data from 1977 to the present because this was the period when not only were catch rates thought to be better estimated, but reported catches were considered more reliable and biological sampling was more extensive. Canadian otter trawl catch rates (Table 14, Fig. 2) have increased from 1977 to 1982 and have subsequently declined. Spanish pair trawl catch rates (Table 15, Fig. 3), although quite variable have generally increased from 1977 to 1984 with a decline in 1985.

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Table 1. Catch (metric tons) of cod in NAFO Divisions 3NO.

| Year | Canada | Spain | Portugal | USSR | Others | Total |
|-------------------|--------|--------|----------|---------|--------|---------|
| 1953 | 39,884 | 12,633 | 7,919 | - | 5,761 | 66,197 |
| 1954 | 17,392 | 88,674 | 24,045 | - | 4,650 | 134,761 |
| 1955 | 6,053 | 64,987 | 27,711 | - | 15,605 | 114,356 |
| 1956 | 5,363 | 42,624 | 15,505 | - | 1,390 | 64,882 |
| 1957 | 9,641 | 51,990 | 21,740 | - | 6,819 | 90,190 |
| 1958 | 4,812 | 29,436 | 11,608 | - | 2,195 | 48,051 |
| 1959 | 3,687 | 39,994 | 17,730 | 48 | 2,911 | 64,370 |
| 1960 | 3,408 | 33,972 | 14,347 | 24,204 | 3,746 | 79,677 |
| 1961 | 5,428 | 32,284 | 9,059 | 22,854 | 3,099 | 72,724 |
| 1962 | 3,235 | 17,413 | 3,653 | 7,971 | 2,712 | 34,984 |
| 1963 | 5,079 | 37,632 | 10,004 | 10,184 | 6,843 | 69,742 |
| 1964 | 2,882 | 37,185 | 8,095 | 9,510 | 6,789 | 64,461 |
| 1965 | 4,229 | 64,652 | 1,692 | 17,166 | 11,448 | 99,187 |
| 1966 | 6,501 | 52,533 | 5,070 | 39,023 | 5,792 | 108,919 |
| 1967 | 3,446 | 77,948 | 9,703 | 118,845 | 16,842 | 226,784 |
| 1968 | 3,287 | 69,752 | 6,752 | 78,820 | 6,900 | 165,511 |
| 1969 | 3,664 | 71,160 | 4,940 | 29,173 | 8,768 | 117,705 |
| 1970 | 4,771 | 67,034 | 3,185 | 28,338 | 8,233 | 111,561 |
| 1971 | 2,311 | 89,915 | 6,589 | 19,307 | 8,174 | 126,296 |
| 1972 | 1,736 | 76,324 | 11,537 | 12,198 | 1,579 | 103,374 |
| 1973 | 1,832 | 42,403 | 7,759 | 27,849 | 586 | 80,429 |
| 1974 | 1,360 | 38,338 | 6,602 | 26,911 | 178 | 73,389 |
| 1975 | 1,189 | 16,616 | 5,560 | 20,785 | 24 | 44,174 |
| 1976 | 2,065 | 9,880 | 2,620 | 8,992 | 726 | 24,283 |
| 1977 | 2,532 | 8,827 | 1,742 | 4,041 | 462 | 17,604 |
| 1978 | 6,246 | 5,813 | 641 | 1,819 | 199 | 14,718 |
| 1979 | 9,938 | 13,782 | 1,140 | 2,446 | 545 | 27,941 |
| 1980 | 5,084 | 8,999 | 1,145 | 3,261 | 871 | 19,360 |
| 1981 | 6,096 | 13,299 | 1,091 | 3,187 | 671 | 24,344 |
| 1982 | 10,185 | 14,361 | 2,466 | 3,985 | 608 | 31,605 |
| 1983 | 11,374 | 12,320 | 1,109 | 3,238 | 778 | 28,818 |
| 1984 | 8,705 | 13,590 | 1,071 | 3,306 | 431 | 27,103 |
| 1985 ^a | 18,406 | 12,405 | 601 | 3,446 | 4,849 | 39,394 |
| 1986 ^a | 17,204 | 23,395 | 6,890 | 1,181 | 2,802 | 51,472 |

^aprovisional.

Table 2. Cod landings (t) from NAFO Divisions 3NO by country and month in 1986.

Table 3. Commercial sampling for NAFO Div. 3NO cod in 1986.

| Quarter | Gear | Country | Div. | # Aged | Month | # Meas. | Country/Month | Total |
|---------|------|------------|------|--------|-------|---------|---------------|-------|
| 1 | OT | Can(N) | 30 | 403 | Feb. | 891 | 685 | 1504 |
| | | " | " | | Mar. | 814 | 698 | 1044 |
| | | Other | " | | | | | 793 |
| | | | | 403 | | 1705 | | 3341 |
| 2 | OT | Can(N) | 3N | 75 | Apr. | 114 | 113 | 114 |
| | | " | " | | May | 646 | 754 | 910 |
| | | " | " | | June | 157 | 1092 | 1502 |
| | | " | 30 | 181 | Apr. | 301 | 239 | 530 |
| | | " | " | | May | 378 | 238 | 1377 |
| | | France(SP) | 3N | 167 | June | 1585 | 185 | 185 |
| | | Other | " | | | | | 274 |
| | | | | 423 | | 3181 | | 4892 |
| 3 | OT | Can(N) | 3N | 404 | Jul. | 180 | 1133 | 1608 |
| | | " | " | | Aug. | 438 | 1003 | 1317 |
| | | " | " | | Sept. | 371 | 1285 | 1550 |
| | | " | 30 | 95 | Jul. | 2050 | 177 | 848 |
| | | Other | " | | | | | 191 |
| | | | | 499 | | 3039 | | 5428 |
| 4 | OT | Can(N) | 3N | 396 | Oct. | 1229 | 1448 | 1448 |
| | | " | " | | Nov. | 309 | 595 | 901 |
| | | " | 30 | 130 | Nov. | 636 | 566 | 2551 |
| | | Other | " | | | | | 191 |
| | | | | 526 | | 2174 | | 5091 |
| Total | | | | 1851 | | 10099 | | 18752 |

Table 4. Estimated catch, average weight, and average length at age, along with associated variances for the commercial cod fishery in NAFO Div. 3NO during 1986. (Data for Spain and Portugal not included.)

| AGE | AVERAGE | | CATCH | | |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | WEIGHT | LENGTH | MEAN | STD. ERR. | C. V. |
| 3 | 0.330 | 34.000 | 33 | 33.04 | 1.01 |
| 4 | 0.833 | 45.084 | 1061 | 79.17 | 0.07 |
| 5 | 1.361 | 53.332 | 2292 | 119.60 | 0.05 |
| 6 | 1.874 | 59.178 | 1976 | 107.12 | 0.05 |
| 7 | 2.845 | 67.599 | 536 | 45.74 | 0.09 |
| 8 | 4.253 | 76.534 | 446 | 31.20 | 0.07 |
| 9 | 6.022 | 86.202 | 198 | 15.70 | 0.08 |
| 10 | 8.368 | 96.145 | 168 | 13.76 | 0.08 |
| 11 | 9.022 | 98.096 | 247 | 16.01 | 0.06 |
| 12 | 9.661 | 100.492 | 115 | 11.22 | 0.10 |
| 13 | 10.891 | 103.566 | 54 | 8.27 | 0.15 |
| 14 | 12.399 | 109.193 | 17 | 4.28 | 0.26 |
| 15 | 12.616 | 109.176 | 6 | 2.18 | 0.39 |
| 16 | 11.989 | 107.958 | 5 | 2.56 | 0.50 |
| 17 | 14.510 | 115.110 | 2 | 1.46 | 0.59 |
| 18 | 16.628 | 121.000 | | 0.28 | 1.03 |

Table 5. Biomass estimates (MT) by stratum from survey cruises in Div. 3N

| Strata | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 357 | | 1383 | | | | 29 | | 52 | 332 | 135 | 92 | 0 | 2102 | 259 | | |
| 358 | | 1061 | 1772 | | | 383 | | 483 | 1054 | 229 | 236 | 182 | 122 | 547 | | |
| 359 | | 312 | 258 | | | 660 | 147 | 190 | 478 | 208 | 13 | 71 | 0 | 134 | | |
| 360 | | 1966 | | 306 | 1950 | 4040 | 2182 | 1416 | 1738 | 3743 | 1238 | 7877 | 9161 | 1945 | | |
| 361 | 2909 | 4525 | 2525 | 350 | 3246 | 2618 | 5894 | 8203 | 2666 | 4173 | 8125 | 12838 | 29220 | 50957 | | |
| 362 | 2127 | 9695 | 4222 | 2233 | 306 | 1666 | 6836 | 6621 | 1632 | 5847 | 8701 | 3708 | 40764 | 16509 | 19686 | |
| 373 | 8159 | 3423 | 1855 | 2362 | | 1031 | 1750 | 4300 | 1838 | 857 | 4578 | 6647 | 17916 | 2446 | 2897 | |
| 374 | 501 | 702 | 273 | 0 | 135 | | 1248 | 1324 | 479 | 0 | 146 | 2369 | 8335 | 877 | 769 | |
| 375 | 3270 | 9977 | 1042 | 955 | 10601 | | 5429 | 3598 | 369 | 3229 | 29835 | 5943 | 2404 | 18475 | 14586 | |
| 376 | | 1892 | 806 | | 383 | 77 | 9672 | 102 | 868 | 855 | 2208 | 2 | 1049 | 391 | 1883 | |
| 377 | | 550 | 14 | 83 | 283 | | 1380 | 130 | 22 | 287 | 428 | 22 | 29 | 13 | 54 | |
| 378 | 530 | 4146 | 404 | 632 | | | 687 | 90 | 281 | 939 | 104 | 303 | 133 | 470 | 256 | |
| 379 | | | 1828 | 515 | | | 50 | 0 | 601 | 178 | 53 | 179 | 129 | 324 | 365 | |
| 380 | 9 | 322 | 1317 | 206 | | | 52 | 232 | 57 | 25 | | | 224 | 847 | 135 | |
| 381 | 480 | 1429 | 2386 | 359 | 122 | | 2677 | 393 | 196 | 427 | 533 | 2186 | 478 | 1544 | 747 | |
| 382 | 142 | 2458 | 9 | 69 | | 42 | 948 | 2215 | 220 | 285 | 182 | 36 | 0 | 16 | 61 | |
| 383 | 231 | 1479 | 1 | 16 | | 44 | 324 | 1564 | 146 | 0 | 430 | 5 | 294 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 18357 | 43935 | 20096 | 7781 | 15381 | 8088 | 41546 | 30722 | 11692 | 20736 | 51538 | 31104 | 92725 | 82515 | 95280 | 123743 |

Upper limit 35959 58509 29260 13257 35224 13399 61360 37915 16334 28150 120675 46068 123845 108355 162513

Lower limit 755 29362 10931 2304 -4462 2776 21732 23529 7051 13322 -17600 16141 61605 56674 28046

Table 6. Biomass estimates (MT) by stratum from survey cruises in Division 30.

| Strata | 1973 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 |
|-------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 329 | 211 | | 6422 | 180 | 2008 | 357 | 18 | 487 | 373 | 560 | 840 | 304 | |
| 330 | 9251 | 475 | 287 | 593 | 2218 | 3753 | 470 | 3371 | 123 | 3626 | 4642 | 2130 | |
| 331 | 288 | 729 | 454 | | 342 | 150 | 609 | | 38 | 2630 | 3423 | 685 | |
| 332 | | 830 | 351 | 940 | 4525 | 2266 | 9 | | 3474 | 2358 | 13471 | 2499 | |
| 333 | | 525 | 82 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 28 | | 153 | 0 | 147 | 232 | |
| 334 | | | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 43 | | 8 | 0 | 570 | 3481 | |
| 335 | 22 | | 3 | | 0 | 0 | 10 | | 11 | 0 | 0 | 126 | |
| 336 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 136 | 3 | 1 | 286 | | 104 | 0 | 34 | 45 | |
| 337 | 78 | 1906 | 32 | 630 | 614 | 23 | 133 | | 610 | 434 | 1203 | 8497 | |
| 338 | 4298 | 5563 | 1876 | 6953 | 1334 | 5729 | 1795 | | 5659 | 29905 | 7485 | 14405 | |
| 339 | 1547 | 40 | | 249 | 1475 | | | 505 | 610 | 1087 | 359 | 29 | |
| 340 | | 2029 | 2690 | 298 | 966 | 3718 | 386 | 4294 | 2849 | 6827 | 5431 | 5796 | |
| 351 | 3092 | 1562 | 2684 | 8141 | 4334 | 47954 | 5629 | 6621 | 4498 | 43455 | 23490 | 38217 | |
| 352 | 3075 | 426 | 1429 | 6120 | 3961 | 10008 | 5625 | | 6236 | 34168 | 29692 | 15071 | |
| 353 | 3265 | 77 | 2 | 262 | 84 | 1573 | 2 | | 472 | 0 | 6083 | 951 | |
| 354 | 439 | | 38 | 8 | | 34 | 273 | 44 | 125 | 489 | 219 | 180 | |
| 355 | 76 | 0 | 4 | | | 24 | 367 | 32 | 135 | 0 | 135 | 12 | |
| 356 | | 11 | | | | 12 | 49 | 9 | | 0 | 0 | 32 | |
| Total | 25681 | 14161 | 16360 | 24261 | 20646 | 76966 | 15733 | 15363 | 25478 | 125339 | 97223 | 92699 | 281189 |
| Upper Limit | 35514 | 58392 | 65071 | 38015 | 34853 | 133278 | 24517 | 25164 | 33764 | 169942 | 126100 | 136099 | |
| Lower Limit | 15848 | 30070 | -32350 | 10508 | 6442 | 20645 | 6950 | 5561 | 17191 | 80736 | 68346 | 49299 | |

Table 7. Mean number and weight of cod per standard tow from research vessel surveys in NAFO Div. 3N, 30, and 3NO.

| Div. | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <u>Mean Number per tow</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3N | 44.60 | 33.33 | 12.17 | 8.91 | 17.10 | 10.30 | 32.37 | 25.00 | 5.59 | 11.28 | 18.38 | 15.54 | 40.01 | 24.96 | 10.34 |
| 30 | | 10.48 | | | 10.31 | 12.63 | 18.93 | 16.93 | 46.36 | 8.52 | 8.62 | 21.86 | 36.36 | 15.84 | 33.72 |
| 3NO | | 12.46 | | | 13.23 | 11.61 | 25.70 | 20.78 | 26.28 | 9.85 | 14.60 | 18.77 | 38.03 | 20.24 | 22.44 |
| <u>Mean Weight per tow</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3N | 24.51 | 34.05 | 18.03 | 8.91 | 17.57 | 8.24 | 33.32 | 25.98 | 9.34 | 16.56 | 46.30 | 25.01 | 74.05 | 65.90 | 76.09 |
| 30 | | 25.19 | | | 12.17 | 12.63 | 19.42 | 15.93 | 57.28 | 12.17 | 22.32 | 19.13 | 93.8 | 72.35 | 68.98 |
| 3NO | | 21.40 | | | 14.48 | 10.71 | 26.36 | 20.72 | 32.74 | 14.29 | 37.00 | 21.92 | 84.01 | 69.24 | 72.41 |

Table 8. Cod abundance (000's) from stratified-random cruises in Div. 3N. Numbers in brackets are estimates for non-sampled strata.

| Depth range (fath) | Strata | Area | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | |
|-------------------------------|--------|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-30 | 375 | 1593 | 5076 | 3826 | 398 | 1435 | 6616 | (1681) | 7474 | 4329 | 263 | 508 | 10583 | 1578 | 1746 | 3184 | 912 | |
| | 376 | 1499 | (1250) | 788 | 37 | (869) | 1294 | 113 | 3601 | 225 | 225 | 113 | 225 | 33 | 7933 | 48 | 177 | |
| 31-50 | 360 | 2992 | (4158) | 1516 | (2712) | (2888) | 2302 | 3425 | 4211 | 1011 | 1273 | 2695 | 523 | 2118 | 5680 | 3005 | 552 | |
| | 361 | 1853 | 5747 | 5796 | 835 | 904 | 3623 | 723 | 5610 | 4764 | 1166 | 1808 | (3851) | 4961 | 3283 | 10293 | 3310 | |
| | 362 | 2520 | 2484 | 11823 | 984 | 1466 | 431 | 1021 | 5830 | 7440 | 757 | 1203 | 3859 | 1608 | 18971 | 4385 | 2391 | |
| | 373 | 2520 | 18897 | 3831 | 142 | 426 | (1444) | 76 | 946 | 5959 | 327 | 331 | 1892 | 1589 | 8160 | 770 | 675 | |
| | 374 | 931 | 1563 | 175 | 175 | 1 | 140 | (561) | 1607 | 1817 | 297 | 1 | 163 | 1677 | 2893 | 175 | 47 | |
| | 383 | 674 | 74 | 1644 | 51 | 25 | (119) | 17 | 320 | 1493 | 34 | 1 | 118 | 25 | 34 | 1 | 1 | |
| 51-100 | 359 | 421 | (765) | 822 | 622 | (532) | (430) | 4709 | 1359 | (1015) | 549 | 2133 | 611 | 126 | 95 | 0 | 1264 | |
| | 377 | 100 | (713) | 1066 | 143 | 613 | 413 | (278) | 2800 | 105 | 73 | 490 | 1146 | 278 | 56 | 105 | 23 | |
| | 382 | 647 | 425 | 4347 | 16 | 130 | (342) | 24 | 2639 | 1943 | 243 | 255 | 146 | 194 | 0 | 134 | 12 | |
| 101-150 | 358 | 225 | (608) | 861 | 4189 | (423) | (341) | (236) | 262 | (804) | 431 | 1993 | 135 | 1343 | 380 | 448 | 760 | |
| | 378 | 139 | 619 | 3673 | 459 | 1683 | (1206) | (835) | 657 | 120 | 400 | 1445 | 193 | 1236 | 318 | 2181 | 433 | |
| | 381 | 182 | 1195 | 779 | 861 | 79 | 156 | (389) | 3267 | 364 | 155 | 379 | 779 | 1851 | 301 | 2391 | 1312 | |
| 151-200 | 357 | 164 | (498) | (1056) | 1157 | (346) | (280) | (194) | 12 | (660) | 49 | 336 | 37 | 382 | 0 | 2381 | 137 | |
| | 379 | 106 | (695) | (1473) | 1802 | 785 | (390) | (270) | 24 | 0 | 671 | 408 | 40 | 322 | 175 | 525 | 801 | |
| | 380 | 116 | 17 | 118 | 641 | 70 | (192) | (133) | 22 | (453) | 96 | 26 | 15 | (282) | 83 | 788 | 136 | |
| Total | | | 16682 | 44784 | 43591 | 15222 | 12673 | 19719 | 14684 | 40641 | 32500 | 7009 | 14125 | 24314 | 19604 | 50108 | 31264 | 12943 |
| Estimated mean no. per tow | | | 35.76 | 34.81 | 12.16 | 10.12 | 15.75 | 11.73 | 32.45 | 25.95 | 5.60 | 11.28 | 19.42 | 15.66 | 40.02 | 24.97 | 10.34 | |

Table 9. Cod abundance (000's) from stratified-random cruises in Div. 30. Numbers in brackets are estimates for non-sampled strata.

| Depth range (fath) | Strata | Area | 1973 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | |
|--------------------------------|--------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 31-50 | 330 | 2089 | 2144 | 419 | 679 | 889 | 1071 | 3674 | 1411 | 941 | 359 | 1921 | 1461 | 823 | |
| | 331 | 456 | 34 | 49 | 624 | (244) | 240 | 205 | 1284 | (184) | 377 | 993 | 548 | 214 | |
| | 338 | 1898 | 2451 | 4987 | 3230 | 9047 | 1311 | 2666 | 1681 | (2801) | 4103 | 10116 | 2391 | 2976 | |
| | 340 | 1716 | | 215 | 4164 | 258 | 708 | 1730 | 386 | 859 | 2340 | 2898 | 2733 | 2576 | |
| | 351 | 2520 | 2837 | 936 | 615 | 4843 | 2535 | 39981 | 1513 | 3689 | 8701 | 18538 | 4413 | 32509 | |
| | 352 | 2580 | 3409 | 1290 | 1791 | 5965 | 4648 | 3486 | 2113 | (3563) | 3486 | 11814 | 4859 | 2988 | |
| | 353 | 1282 | 224 | 705 | 48 | 320 | 1732 | 4388 | 48 | (253) | 257 | 1 | 674 | 165 | |
| 51-100 | 329 | 1721 | 129 | (437) | 3682 | 172 | 1731 | 1012 | 65 | 129 | 753 | 775 | 501 | 501 | |
| | 332 | 1047 | (554) | 1729 | 367 | 1729 | 7309 | 2613 | 118 | (632) | 5678 | 236 | 1839 | 458 | |
| | 337 | 948 | 735 | 688 | 356 | 249 | 320 | 516 | 48 | (290) | 285 | 142 | 939 | 882 | |
| | 339 | 585 | 220 | 22 | (434) | (353) | 329 | 1361 | (337) | 198 | 2448 | 1054 | 88 | 29 | |
| | 354 | 474 | 261 | (337) | 712 | 36 | (356) | 729 | 2075 | 107 | 107 | 142 | 261 | 178 | |
| 101-150 | 333 | 151 | (28) | 958 | 85 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 6 | (32) | 60 | 0 | 17 | 53 | |
| | 336 | 121 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 141 | 5 | 2 | 95 | (22) | 41 | 0 | 9 | 45 | |
| | 355 | 103 | 19 | 0 | 4 | (103) | (109) | 19 | 128 | 19 | 151 | 0 | 398 | 12 | |
| 151-200 | 334 | 92 | (36) | (54) | 7 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 21 | (40) | 3 | 0 | 152 | 856 | |
| | 335 | 58 | 7 | (7) | 1 | (7) | 0 | 0 | 3 | (5) | 4 | 0 | 0 | 40 | |
| | 356 | 61 | 2 | (9) | (11) | (9) | (9) | 5 | 18 | 2 | (15) | 0 | 0 | 9 | |
| Total | | | 17902 | 13719 | 12841 | 16810 | 24364 | 22419 | 62387 | 11349 | 13766 | 29167 | 48630 | 21283 | 45316 |
| Estimated mean no. per tow. | | | 10.21 | 9.56 | 12.51 | 18.13 | 16.68 | 46.46 | 8.45 | 10.24 | 21.71 | 36.19 | 15.84 | 33.72 | |

Table 10. Mean number of cod at age and per standard tow from research vessel surveys in NAFO Divisions 3NO.

| # Sets | 1971 ^a 45 | 1972 ^a 45 | 1973 94 | 1974 ^a 37 | 1975 58 | 1976 78 | 1977 88 | 1978 88 | 1979 172 | 1980 140 | 1981 77 | 1982 130 | 1984 116 | 1985 178 | 1986 203 |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Age | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.0 | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.46 | 0.58 | 0.01 | 0.55 | 3.09 | 0.01 | 0.35 | 1.56 | 0.01 | 0.01 | .02 |
| 2 | 4.18 | 1.17 | 2.64 | 1.39 | 3.16 | 3.89 | 2.35 | 0.71 | 0.93 | 5.39 | 0.38 | 9.37 | 3.28 | 0.41 | .70 |
| 3 | 42.14 | 9.01 | 2.69 | 4.97 | 4.70 | 2.89 | 9.71 | 7.07 | 2.33 | 1.38 | 5.39 | 1.18 | 6.20 | 4.47 | .71 |
| 4 | 5.80 | 19.28 | 1.88 | 0.89 | 2.64 | 1.83 | 6.29 | 8.17 | 9.25 | 0.67 | 1.58 | 3.54 | 9.90 | 6.05 | 7.71 |
| 5 | 4.43 | 1.72 | 2.48 | 0.44 | 0.59 | 1.66 | 4.63 | 2.48 | 7.84 | 1.07 | 1.83 | .60 | 5.29 | 2.41 | 6.46 |
| 6 | 1.06 | .71 | 0.50 | 0.38 | 0.31 | 0.26 | 1.54 | 0.96 | 1.76 | 0.44 | 2.32 | .47 | 5.60 | .88 | 1.62 |
| 7 | 1.08 | .58 | 0.28 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.07 | 0.49 | 0.61 | 0.52 | 0.21 | 1.13 | .78 | 1.87 | .97 | .68 |
| 8 | 0.48 | .41 | 0.20 | 0.04 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 0.22 | 0.04 | 0.26 | 0.18 | 0.50 | .58 | 1.00 | .73 | .65 |
| 9 | 0.24 | .30 | 0.22 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.18 | 0.53 | .26 | 1.81 | .88 | .50 |
| 10 | 0.03 | .17 | 0.13 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.24 | .16 | 1.57 | 1.34 | .74 |
| 11 | 0.08 | .08 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 | .07 | .86 | .98 | 1.20 |
| 12 | 0.14 | .05 | 0.09 | | 0.02 | | 0.04 | 0 | 0 | 0.07 | 0.14 | .05 | .32 | .49 | .65 |
| 13 | | | 0.14 | | 0.01 | | 0.09 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.06 | .01 | .11 | .24 | .36 |
| 14+ | 0.47 | .36 | 0.50 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.17 | .14 | .22 | .39 | .52 |
| Mean no. per tow | 60.13 | 33.85 | 11.89 | 8.56 | 13.23 | 11.51 | 25.70 | 20.72 | 26.30 | 9.89 | 14.66 | 18.76 | 38.03 | 20.24 | 22.42 |
| Upper Limit | 117.35 | 51.51 | 15.47 | 12.50 | 25.93 | 17.94 | 33.96 | 31.81 | 47.18 | 12.85 | 23.61 | 25.28 | 47.82 | 24.06 | 44.11 |
| Lower Limit | 2.93 | 16.10 | 8.33 | 4.62 | 0.52 | 5.09 | 17.45 | 9.90 | 5.49 | 6.91 | 5.70 | 12.24 | 28.25 | 16.42 | 0.74 |

^aSurvey 3N only.

Table 11. Mean number of cod at age and per standard tow from research vessel surveys in NAFO Divisions 3NO (includes estimates for non sampled strata).

| No. sets | 1971 ^a 45 | 1972 ^a 45 | 1973 94 | 1974 ^a 37 | 1975 58 | 1976 78 | 1977 88 | 1978 88 | 1979 172 | 1980 140 | 1981 77 | 1982 136 | 1984 116 | 1985 178 | 1986 203 |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Age | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.0 | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.44 | 0.61 | 0.01 | 0.56 | 3.11 | 0.01 | 0.35 | 1.56 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 |
| 2 | 2.49 | 1.20 | 2.48 | 1.64 | 3.00 | 4.10 | 2.29 | 0.72 | 0.94 | 5.35 | 0.38 | 9.37 | 3.28 | 0.41 | 0.70 |
| 3 | 25.06 | 9.27 | 2.52 | 5.88 | 4.46 | 3.05 | 9.46 | 7.22 | 2.35 | 1.37 | 5.40 | 1.18 | 6.20 | 4.47 | 0.71 |
| 4 | 3.45 | 19.83 | 1.76 | 1.05 | 2.50 | 1.93 | 6.13 | 8.34 | 9.31 | 0.67 | 1.58 | 3.54 | 9.91 | 6.05 | 7.71 |
| 5 | 2.63 | 1.77 | 2.33 | 0.52 | 0.56 | 1.75 | 4.51 | 2.53 | 7.89 | 1.06 | 1.83 | 0.60 | 5.29 | 2.41 | 6.46 |
| 6 | 0.63 | 0.73 | 0.47 | 0.45 | 0.29 | 0.27 | 1.50 | 0.98 | 1.77 | 0.44 | 2.32 | 0.47 | 5.60 | 0.88 | 1.62 |
| 7 | 0.64 | 0.60 | 0.26 | 0.17 | 0.57 | 0.07 | 0.48 | 0.62 | 0.52 | 0.21 | 1.13 | 0.78 | 1.87 | 0.97 | 0.68 |
| 8 | 0.29 | 0.42 | 0.19 | 0.05 | 0.24 | 0.14 | 0.21 | 0.04 | 0.26 | 0.18 | 0.50 | 0.58 | 1.00 | 0.73 | 0.65 |
| 9 | 0.14 | 0.31 | 0.21 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.18 | 0.53 | 0.26 | 1.81 | 0.88 | 0.50 |
| 10 | 0.02 | 0.17 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.24 | 0.16 | 1.57 | 1.34 | 0.74 |
| 11 | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.86 | 0.98 | 1.20 |
| 12 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 0.08 | | 0.02 | | 0.04 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.32 | 0.49 |
| 13 | | | 0.13 | | 0.01 | | 0.09 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.24 | 0.36 |
| 14+ | 0.28 | 0.37 | 0.47 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 0.22 | 0.39 | 0.52 |
| Mean no. per tow | 35.76 | 34.81 | 11.15 | 10.12 | 12.55 | 12.13 | 25.04 | 21.15 | 26.47 | 9.82 | 14.67 | 18.79 | 38.04 | 20.24 | 22.42 |

^aSurvey in 3N only.

Table 12. Regression coefficients and analysis of variance from the regression of \ln catch rate for cod in Divisions 3NO from 1977-86 using otter trawl data.

| <u>Country/Gear</u> | <u>In Power</u> | <u>Month</u> | <u>In Power</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Can-N OT-4 | 0.000 | Jan. | 0.000 |
| Can-N OT-5 | 0.137 | Feb. | -0.384 |
| Can-M OT-4 | 0.404 | Mar. | -0.562 |
| Can-M OT-5 | 0.576 | Apr. | -0.608 |
| | | May | -0.880 |
| | | June | -0.930 |
| <u>Division</u> | <u>In Power</u> | July | -0.828 |
| | | Aug. | -0.756 |
| 3N | 0.000 | Sept. | -0.821 |
| 30 | 0.055 | Oct. | -0.941 |
| | | Nov. | -0.432 |
| | | Dec. | -0.257 |

REGRESSION OF MULTIPLICATIVE MODEL

MULTIPLE R..... 0.643
MULTIPLE R SQUARED.... 0.413

ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE

| SOURCE OF VARIATION | D.F. | SUMS OF SQUARES | MEAN SQUARES | F-VALUE |
|---------------------|------|-----------------|--------------|---------|
| INTERCEPT | 1 | 3.440E1 | 3.440E1 | |
| REGRESSION | 24 | 4.540E1 | 1.891E0 | 8.594 |
| TYPE 1 | 3 | 1.168E1 | 3.893E0 | 17.686 |
| TYPE 2 | 11 | 1.924E1 | 1.749E0 | 7.946 |
| TYPE 3 | 1 | 1.402E-1 | 1.402E-1 | 0.637 |
| TYPE 4 | 9 | 8.027E0 | 8.919E-1 | 4.052 |
| RESIDUALS | 293 | 6.449E1 | 2.201E-1 | |
| TOTAL | 318 | 1.443E2 | | |

Table 13. Regression coefficients and analysis of variance from the regression of ln catch rate for cod in Div. 3NO from 1977 to 1985 using Spanish pair trawl data.

| Gear | ln Power | Month | ln Power |
|----------|----------|-------|----------|
| PT-4 | 0.000 | Jan. | 0.000 |
| PT-5 | 0.138 | Feb. | 0.252 |
| PT-6 | 0.498 | Mar. | -0.176 |
| | | Apr. | -0.167 |
| | | May | 0.172 |
| | | June | 0.412 |
| | | July | 0.453 |
| Division | ln Power | Aug. | 0.271 |
| 3N | 0.000 | Sept. | -0.008 |
| 30 | 0.244 | Oct. | 0.046 |
| | | Nov. | 0.072 |
| | | Dec. | 0.409 |

REGRESSION OF MULTIPLICATIVE MODEL

MULTIPLE R,..... 0.812
MULTIPLE R SQUARED,.... 0.659

ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE

| SOURCE OF VARIATION | DF | SUMS OF SQUARES | MEAN SQUARES | F-VALUE |
|---------------------|-----|-----------------|--------------|---------|
| INTERCEPT | 1 | 8.642E1 | 8.642E1 | |
| REGRESSION | 22 | 1.039E2 | 4.720E0 | 16.264 |
| TYPE 1 | 2 | 1.955E0 | 9.777E-1 | 3.369 |
| TYPE 2 | 11 | 8.230E0 | 7.482E-1 | 2.576 |
| TYPE 3 | 1 | 1.280E0 | 1.280E0 | 4.412 |
| TYPE 4 | 8 | 8.150E1 | 1.019E1 | 35.102 |
| RESIDUALS | 185 | 5.369E1 | 2.902E-1 | |
| TOTAL | 208 | 2.440E2 | | |

Table 14. Catch rate index for cod in NAFO Div. 3NO using Canadian otter trawl data for the period 1977-86.

PREDICTED CATCH RATE

| YEAR | LN TRANSFORM | | RETRANSFORMED | | CATCH | EFFORT |
|------|--------------|--------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|
| | MEAN | S.E. | MEAN | S.E. | | |
| 1977 | -0.8569 | 0.0293 | 0.467 | 0.079 | 17604 | 37685 |
| 1978 | -1.0130 | 0.0147 | 0.403 | 0.049 | 14718 | 36562 |
| 1979 | -0.6909 | 0.0113 | 0.556 | 0.059 | 27941 | 50214 |
| 1980 | -0.9038 | 0.0212 | 0.448 | 0.065 | 19360 | 43261 |
| 1981 | -0.6783 | 0.0201 | 0.561 | 0.079 | 24344 | 43392 |
| 1982 | -0.4461 | 0.0122 | 0.710 | 0.078 | 31605 | 44485 |
| 1983 | -0.4834 | 0.0119 | 0.685 | 0.075 | 28818 | 42097 |
| 1984 | -0.6588 | 0.0133 | 0.574 | 0.066 | 27103 | 47217 |
| 1985 | -0.6231 | 0.0129 | 0.595 | 0.067 | 34694 | 58306 |
| 1986 | -0.7587 | 0.0112 | 0.520 | 0.055 | 50885 | 97858 |

Table 15. Catch rate index for cod in NAFO Div. 3NO using Spanish pair trawl data for the period 1977-85.

PREDICTED CATCH RATE

| YEAR | LN TRANSFORM | | RETRANSFORMED | | CATCH | EFFORT |
|------|--------------|--------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|
| | MEAN | S.E. | MEAN | S.E. | | |
| 1977 | -0.7274 | 0.0232 | 0.553 | 0.084 | 17604 | 31860 |
| 1978 | -1.8950 | 0.0202 | 0.172 | 0.024 | 14718 | 85478 |
| 1979 | 0.2139 | 0.0334 | 1.409 | 0.256 | 27941 | 19828 |
| 1980 | -0.9561 | 0.0224 | 0.440 | 0.066 | 19360 | 44023 |
| 1981 | -0.1443 | 0.0229 | 0.990 | 0.149 | 24344 | 24585 |
| 1982 | -0.3947 | 0.0208 | 0.772 | 0.111 | 31605 | 40959 |
| 1983 | -0.1538 | 0.0229 | 0.981 | 0.148 | 28818 | 29383 |
| 1984 | 0.4157 | 0.0210 | 1.735 | 0.251 | 27103 | 15621 |
| 1985 | -0.1067 | 0.0214 | 1.029 | 0.150 | 34694 | 33721 |

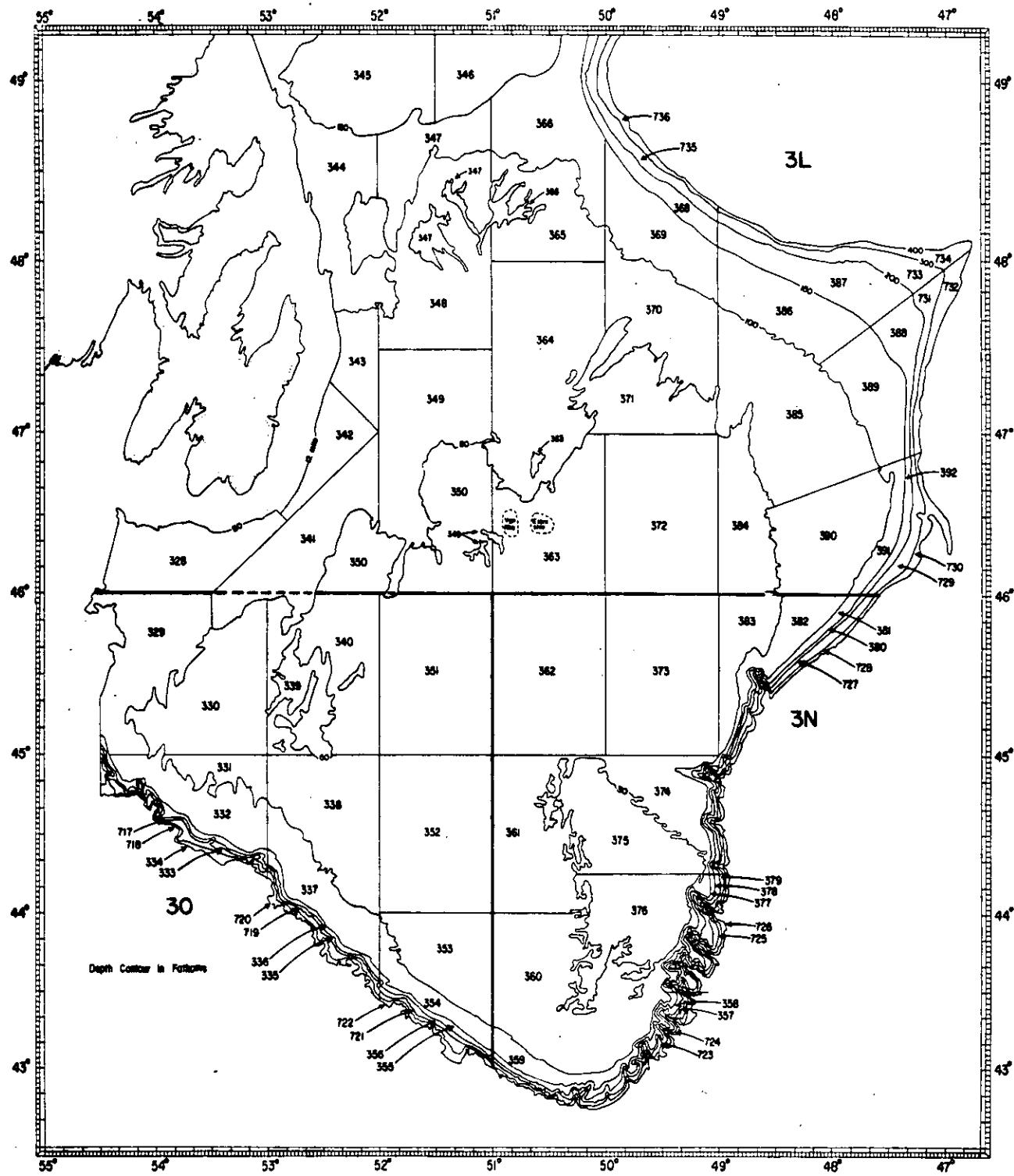


Fig. 1. Stratification scheme for NAFO Div. 3LNO.

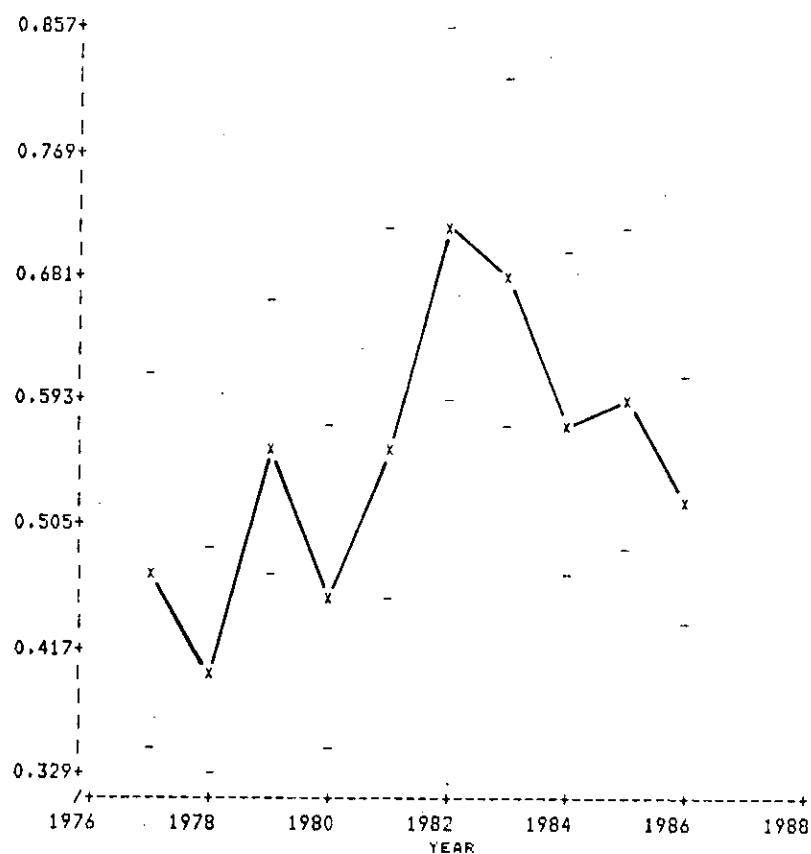


Fig. 2. Catch rate index with approximate 90% confidence interval for Div. 3NO cod using Canadian otter trawl data for the period 1977-86.

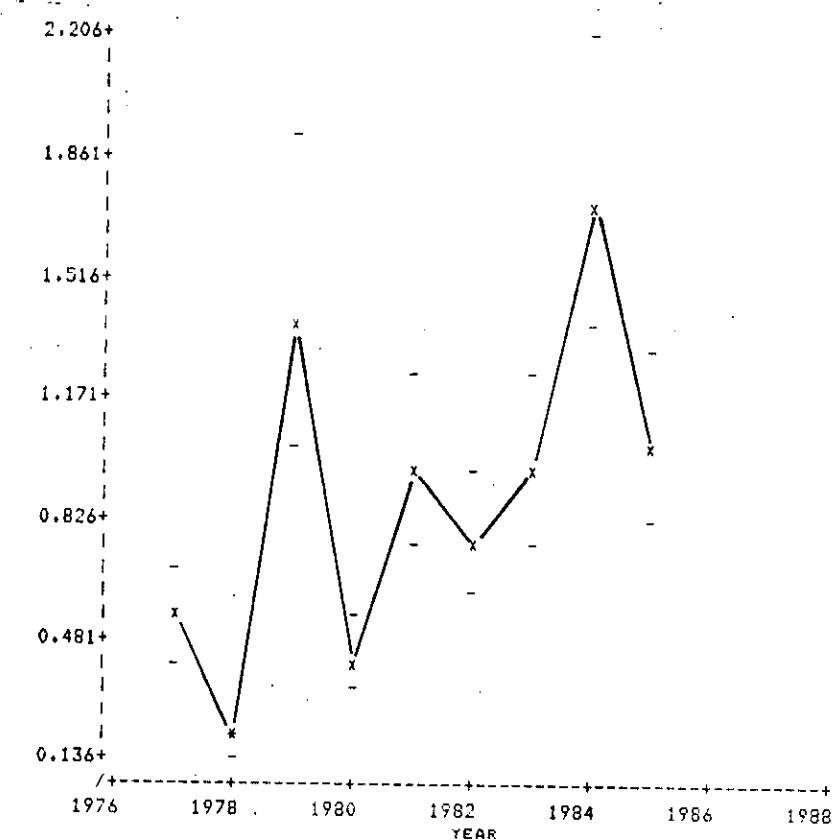


Fig. 3. Catch rate index with approximate 90% confidence interval for Div. 3NO cod using Spanish pair trawl data for the period 1977-85.

Appendix. Further Information on Assessment of the Cod Stock in Div. 3NO

Catch-at-age

Catch and average weights-at-age for the Spanish fishery for cod in Div. 3NO were combined with Canadian estimates and the total catch-at-age was adjusted for catches for which no sampling data were available (Table 1). The calculated catch (catch-age-age X average weights) was 91% of the reported catch. Catch and average weights-at-age for the period 1959-86 are presented in Tables 2 and 3 respectively. Catch-rate indices for each of otter trawl and pair trawl were derived using a multiplicative model using data for the 1977-86 and 1977-85 periods respectively. Pair-trawl catch-rates derived from official Spanish statistics for the 1982-86 period indicated the same trends for overlapping years as the pair-trawl index estimated from the multiplicative analysis (Table 4). The 1986 index reported by Spain was adjusted by the ratio of catch rates in both series for these overlapping years and appended to the 1977-85 pair-trawl catch-rate series. In the time period considered, the two fisheries (Canadian otter trawl and Spanish pair trawl) have generally occurred in separate areas. The Canadian otter-trawl fleet has fished mainly inside the Canadian 200-mile fishery zone while the Spanish pair-trawl fleet has fished outside the zone. Catch-rate indices for the two gears were combined after weighting each to an estimate of the geographical area inside (80%) and outside (20%) the zone. The combined index (Table 5) showed a general increase in catch rates from 1977 to 1984 with declines in both 1985 and 1986.

Cohort analysis

Catch and average weight-at-age data from the commercial fishery over the 1959-86 period were used in cohort analyses. Natural mortality was estimated at 0.20, fishing mortality for the oldest age group (12) was set at the level for fully recruited ages (7-10) and input partial recruitment was as shown below.

Fishing mortality in 1986

Partial recruitment in 1986 was estimated by iteration as an average over the 1981-84 period (Table 6). The values are as follows:

| Age (years) | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Partial recruitment | 0.06 | 0.24 | 0.54 | 0.76 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

Average exploitable biomass from cohort analyses over a range of fully recruited fishing mortalities in 1986 were compared with the combined otter-trawl and pair-trawl catch-rate index using a least squares regression relationship. The analysis indicated that there were no significant relationships (Fig. 1).

The relationship between Canadian survey abundance at ages 6+ and cohort numbers at age 6+ for the 1977-86 period over a range of fully recruited F_s were significant and calibration in terms of placing the intercept near the origin suggested a fully recruited F in 1986 of 0.20 (Table 7, Fig. 2). Survey data for 1984 were not included in the relationship. Abundance estimated from this survey were higher than the others in the series and was not reflected by a correspondingly high cohort abundance. The age structure from the survey was also not consistent with those from surveys in 1982 and 1985.

Recruitment

With an average partial recruitment vector, age 3 cohort abundance ($F_{86} = 0.20$) in 1984-86 (1981-83 year-classes) were estimated to be 106, 82 and 14 millions respectively. From the relationship between Canadian survey mean-number-per-tow at age 3 and cohort age 3 abundance (average) for the 1977-82 period, cohort age 3 abundance for these year-classes was predicted at 33, 29 and 20 million fish respectively (Table 8a, Fig. 3). The partial recruitment vector used for 1986 was adjusted (Table 8b) to reconcile predicted year-class strengths and the estimated fully recruited fishing mortality in 1986. Using this method, the best estimates obtained for these year-classes were 62, 37 and 21 millions respectively. Adjusted partial recruitment was used in the final cohort analysis (Table 9).

Table 1. Catch-at-age and average weights of cod in Div. 3NO during 1986.

| Age (yr) | Age compositions | | | | Average weight(kg) | | | |
|-------------|------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| | Spain PT | Total | Canada SCR 87/53 | Sub- total | Total 3NO | Spain total | Canada SCR 87/53 | Spain + Canada* |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - | - | - |
| 3 | 57 | 94 | 33 | 127 | 155 | 0.41 | 0.33 | 0.39 |
| 4 | 769 | 1269 | 1061 | 2330 | 2836 | 1.15 | 0.83 | 1.00 |
| 5 | 1784 | 2945 | 2292 | 5237 | 6375 | 1.63 | 1.36 | 1.65 |
| 6 | 971 | 1603 | 1976 | 3579 | 4357 | 2.50 | 1.87 | 2.15 |
| 7 | 424 | 700 | 536 | 1236 | 1505 | 3.99 | 2.85 | 3.50 |
| 8 | 208 | 343 | 446 | 789 | 960 | 6.97 | 4.25 | 5.43 |
| 9 | 163 | 269 | 198 | 467 | 568 | 9.37 | 6.02 | 7.95 |
| 10 | 93 | 154 | 168 | 322 | 392 | 11.28 | 8.37 | 9.76 |
| 11 | 39 | 64 | 247 | 311 | 379 | 13.33 | 9.02 | 9.91 |
| 12 | 4 | 7 | 115 | 122 | 149 | 13.83 | 9.66 | 9.90 |
| 13 | 1 | 2 | 54 | 56 | 68 | - | - | - |
| No. | 4514 | 7451 | 7126 | 14578 | 17746 | Reported catch = 51,287 | | |
| Catch | 14180 | 23395 | 18752 | 42147 | 51287 | Calculated catch = 46,836 | | |
| w (kg) | 3.14 | 3.14 | 2.63 | 2.89 | 2.89 | Difference = 91% | | |

* Weighted by numbers-at-age.

Table 2. Catch-at-age for Div. 3NO cod for the period 1959-86.

| CATCH AT AGE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| AGE | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 | 1962 | 1963 | 1964 | 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 |
| 3 | 1711 | 1846 | 812 | 1026 | 313 | 6202 | 1013 | 753 | 20086 | 16359 | 8154 | 2105 | 950 | 69 | 10058 | 6425 | | | |
| 4 | 13036 | 6503 | 4400 | 3882 | 5757 | 15555 | 7611 | 18413 | 62442 | 56775 | 12924 | 19703 | 26900 | 19797 | 27600 | 9501 | | | |
| 5 | 5068 | 22050 | 11696 | 2206 | 11210 | 19496 | 7619 | 19681 | 58317 | 43688 | 26949 | 10799 | 30309 | 12289 | 15098 | 10987 | | | |
| 6 | 6025 | 3095 | 15258 | 1581 | 4849 | 7919 | 13258 | 11795 | 18517 | 18485 | 11191 | 9481 | 11700 | 13432 | 5989 | 10872 | | | |
| 7 | 3935 | 2377 | 2014 | 3594 | 1935 | 2273 | 9861 | 8486 | 4774 | 6337 | 2089 | 3646 | 3500 | 5883 | 1971 | 2247 | | | |
| 8 | 1392 | 2584 | 1672 | 773 | 3840 | 1109 | 4827 | 4467 | 4651 | 1592 | 1393 | 1635 | 2500 | 1686 | 972 | 2147 | | | |
| 9 | 757 | 583 | 847 | 668 | 1165 | 788 | 1081 | 1829 | 236 | 505 | 518 | 541 | 500 | 285 | 707 | 1015 | | | |
| 10 | 926 | 387 | 196 | 433 | 608 | 328 | 1248 | 1694 | 180 | 178 | 292 | 149 | 200 | 216 | 243 | 676 | | | |
| 11 | 1220 | 898 | 25 | 226 | 322 | 37 | 163 | 122 | 71 | 90 | 134 | 227 | 100 | 78 | 137 | 428 | | | |
| 12 | 103 | 242 | 245 | 216 | 208 | 112 | 141 | 57 | 45 | 45 | 202 | 90 | 50 | 74 | 116 | 257 | | | |
| 3+ | 34173 | 40485 | 37165 | 14605 | 30207 | 53819 | 46822 | 67297 | 161319 | 148974 | 63846 | 48376 | 76700 | 53809 | 62891 | 44475 | | | |
| 4+ | 32462 | 38639 | 36353 | 13579 | 29894 | 47617 | 45809 | 66544 | 141233 | 132615 | 55692 | 46271 | 75750 | 53740 | 52833 | 38050 | | | |
| 5+ | 19426 | 32136 | 31953 | 9657 | 24137 | 32062 | 38198 | 48131 | 78791 | 75844 | 42758 | 26568 | 48850 | 33943 | 25233 | 28549 | | | |
| 6+ | 14358 | 10886 | 20257 | 7491 | 12927 | 12566 | 30579 | 28450 | 28474 | 27232 | 15819 | 15769 | 18550 | 21654 | 10135 | 17642 | | | |
| AGE | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 671 | 4054 | 607 | 920 | 72 | 280 | 478 | 305 | 1179 | 58 | 54 | 155 | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 8781 | 7534 | 2469 | 4337 | 3827 | 1138 | 1032 | 1978 | 647 | 1000 | 2850 | 2836 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 3528 | 5945 | 2531 | 2518 | 9208 | 3789 | 1194 | 1591 | 1893 | 1411 | 6664 | 6375 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 2505 | 1084 | 1500 | 618 | 2784 | 2057 | 2173 | 1012 | 1204 | 2324 | 2984 | 4357 | | | | | | | |
| 7 | 3057 | 211 | 572 | 354 | 883 | 665 | 1805 | 1528 | 686 | 1220 | 2486 | 1505 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 1059 | 238 | 177 | 102 | 265 | 185 | 543 | 1492 | 1152 | 720 | 795 | 960 | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 921 | 44 | 209 | 58 | 58 | 75 | 182 | 595 | 774 | 918 | 459 | 568 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | 461 | 37 | 65 | 51 | 17 | 27 | 89 | 211 | 238 | 551 | 535 | 392 | | | | | | | |
| 11 | 252 | 13 | 41 | 8 | 12 | 7 | 39 | 162 | 81 | 106 | 262 | 379 | | | | | | | |
| 12 | 152 | 9 | 25 | 5 | 7 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 41 | 42 | 99 | 149 | | | | | | | |
| 3+ | 21387 | 19169 | 8196 | 9171 | 17133 | 8236 | 7547 | 8901 | 7895 | 8350 | 16588 | 17576 | | | | | | | |
| 4+ | 20716 | 15115 | 7589 | 8251 | 17061 | 7956 | 7069 | 8596 | 6716 | 3292 | 16534 | 17521 | | | | | | | |
| 5+ | 11935 | 7581 | 5120 | 3914 | 13234 | 6818 | 6037 | 6618 | 6069 | 7292 | 13684 | 14685 | | | | | | | |
| 6+ | 8407 | 1636 | 258 | 1396 | 4026 | 3029 | 4843 | 5227 | 4179 | 5201 | 7529 | 9210 | | | | | | | |

Table 3. Average weights-at-age for Div. 3NO cod for the period 1959-86.

| AGE | AVERAGE WEIGHT AT AGE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 | 1962 | 1963 | 1964 | 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 |
| 3 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.48 | 0.48 | 0.48 | 0.48 | 0.48 | 0.48 | 0.54 | 0.57 | 0.42 | 0.38 |
| 4 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.97 | 1.00 | 0.73 | 0.89 |
| 5 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.35 | 1.35 | 1.35 | 1.35 | 1.35 | 1.35 | 1.44 | 1.43 | 1.20 | 1.28 |
| 6 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.08 | 2.19 | 1.96 | 2.13 |
| 7 | 2.82 | 2.82 | 2.82 | 2.82 | 2.82 | 2.82 | 2.82 | 3.16 | 3.16 | 3.16 | 3.16 | 3.16 | 3.16 | 2.89 | 3.63 | 2.86 | 3.14 |
| 8 | 3.39 | 3.39 | 3.39 | 3.39 | 3.39 | 3.39 | 3.39 | 4.21 | 4.21 | 4.21 | 4.21 | 4.21 | 4.21 | 3.56 | 4.63 | 4.67 | 4.16 |
| 9 | 3.98 | 3.98 | 3.98 | 3.98 | 3.98 | 3.98 | 3.98 | 6.34 | 6.34 | 6.34 | 6.34 | 6.34 | 6.34 | 5.95 | 6.25 | 7.32 | 5.53 |
| 10 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 7.69 | 7.69 | 7.69 | 7.69 | 7.69 | 7.69 | 7.95 | 9.56 | 5.46 | 6.74 |
| 11 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 8.46 | 8.46 | 8.46 | 8.46 | 8.46 | 8.46 | 8.32 | 11.17 | 8.40 | 5.27 |
| 12 | 6.17 | 6.17 | 6.17 | 6.17 | 6.17 | 6.17 | 6.17 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.14 | 13.99 | 7.51 | 7.09 |
| AGE | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | | | | | | |
| 3 | 0.50 | 0.57 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.71 | 0.90 | 0.94 | 0.85 | 0.79 | 0.43 | 0.39 | | | | | | |
| 4 | 0.91 | 1.00 | 1.05 | 0.98 | 1.04 | 1.27 | 1.17 | 1.17 | 1.15 | 0.86 | 1.00 | | | | | | |
| 5 | 1.41 | 1.48 | 1.55 | 1.39 | 1.69 | 1.84 | 1.50 | 1.87 | 1.51 | 1.37 | 1.65 | | | | | | |
| 6 | 2.33 | 2.48 | 2.25 | 2.09 | 2.50 | 2.69 | 2.20 | 2.63 | 2.28 | 2.05 | 2.15 | | | | | | |
| 7 | 3.25 | 3.51 | 3.74 | 2.87 | 3.69 | 3.55 | 3.83 | 3.80 | 3.04 | 3.25 | 3.50 | | | | | | |
| 8 | 4.03 | 4.74 | 4.61 | 3.70 | 5.49 | 5.33 | 5.26 | 5.20 | 4.05 | 4.65 | 5.43 | | | | | | |
| 9 | 6.67 | 7.17 | 6.19 | 4.75 | 7.28 | 7.13 | 7.49 | 6.27 | 5.76 | 6.62 | 7.95 | | | | | | |
| 10 | 8.74 | 8.81 | 7.23 | 7.15 | 9.22 | 9.10 | 8.80 | 8.08 | 7.22 | 8.32 | 9.76 | | | | | | |
| 11 | 9.14 | 11.70 | 9.48 | 7.98 | 10.60 | 9.01 | 9.82 | 8.99 | 8.92 | 9.15 | 9.91 | | | | | | |
| 12 | 12.49 | 11.47 | 12.87 | 10.11 | 12.61 | 10.15 | 12.28 | 11.01 | 12.61 | 11.13 | 9.90 | | | | | | |

Table 4. Estimation of "standardized" catch rate for Spanish pair trawl in 1986.

| Year | Standardized catch rate | Pair Trawl catch rates (SCS 87/13) | |
|------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| | | OT | PT |
| 1982 | 0.77 | 0.52 | |
| 1983 | 0.98 | 0.70 | |
| 1984 | 1.74 | 1.05 | |
| 1985 | 1.03 | 0.58 | |
| 1986 | (0.75) | 0.47 | |
| | | Ratio of standardized to unadjusted catch rates for 1982 - 85 = 1.586 | |

Table 5. Catch rate index estimated by averaging Canadian otter trawl and Spanish pair trawl catch rates.

| Year | Standardized catch rates | | Normalized catch rates | | Weighted average |
|---------|-----------------------------|------|---------------------------|------|---------------------|
| | OT | PT | OT | PT | OT+PT |
| 1977 | 0.47 | 0.55 | 0.85 | 0.62 | 0.80 |
| 1978 | 0.40 | 0.17 | 0.72 | 0.19 | 0.61 |
| 1979 | 0.56 | 1.41 | 1.01 | 1.60 | 1.13 |
| 1980 | 0.45 | 0.44 | 0.81 | 0.50 | 0.75 |
| 1981 | 0.56 | 0.99 | 1.01 | 1.12 | 1.03 |
| 1982 | 0.71 | 0.77 | 1.28 | 0.87 | 1.20 |
| 1983 | 0.69 | 0.98 | 1.25 | 1.11 | 1.22 |
| 1984 | 0.57 | 1.74 | 1.03 | 1.97 | 1.22 |
| 1985 | 0.60 | 1.03 | 1.09 | 1.17 | 1.11 |
| 1986 | 0.52 | 0.75 | 0.94 | 0.85 | 0.92 |
| Average | 0.55 | 0.88 | | | |

Table 6. Annual partial recruitment values for Div.
3NO cod for the period 1959-86.

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| | AGE 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3 0.09 0.09 0.03 0.03 0.01 0.28 0.01 0.00 0.14 0.23 0.16 0.06 0.02 0.00 0.97 | |
| 4 0.40 0.42 0.28 0.19 0.15 1.00 0.13 0.19 0.54 0.76 0.53 0.49 1.00 0.53 1.00 | |
| 5 0.81 1.00 1.00 0.24 0.55 1.00 0.32 0.47 0.99 1.00 1.00 0.61 1.00 0.92 1.00 | |
| 6 1.00 0.81 1.00 0.42 0.53 1.00 0.65 0.37 0.95 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 7 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 8 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 9 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 10 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 11 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 12 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| AGE 1974 1975 1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 | |
| 3 0.23 0.02 0.51 0.02 0.12 0.01 0.08 0.07 0.05 0.10 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.06 | |
| 4 0.83 0.33 1.00 0.26 0.66 0.42 0.49 0.27 0.37 0.17 0.99 0.14 0.24 | |
| 5 1.00 0.47 1.00 0.71 1.00 1.00 0.47 0.55 0.64 0.43 0.59 0.54 | |
| 6 1.00 0.86 1.00 0.80 1.00 1.00 0.72 0.54 0.77 0.98 1.00 0.76 | |
| 7 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 8 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 9 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
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| 11 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |
| 12 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 | |

| Year | Survey Age 6+ | Ft = 0.15 | | Ft = 0.20 | | Ft = 0.25 | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|--------|------------------------|--------|
| | | Obs. | Resid. | Obs. | Resid. | Obs. | Resid. |
| 1977 | 2.64 | 4.7 | -10.8 | 4.7 | -9.6 | 4.7 | -8.9 |
| 1978 | 1.78 | 5.9 | -3.2 | 5.9 | -3.8 | 5.9 | -4.2 |
| 1979 | 2.87 | 9.5 | -7.7 | 9.5 | -6.0 | 9.5 | -5.0 |
| 1980 | 1.36 | 16.2 | 10.2 | 16.2 | 8.7 | 16.2 | 7.8 |
| 1981 | 5.13 | 25.5 | -8.5 | 23.8 | -3.8 | 22.8 | -0.9 |
| 1982 | 2.54 | 26.3 | 11.6 | 23.5 | 9.7 | 21.8 | 8.6 |
| 1983 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1984 | 13.25 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1985 | 6.89 | 37.9 | -9.2 | 30.1 | -6.8 | 25.5 | -5.4 |
| 1986 | 6.82 | 64.0 | 17.5 | 48.1 | 11.6 | 38.6 | 8.0 |
| 1977-86 (ex.1984) | r ² slope intercept | 0.68 7.43 -4.14 | | 0.66 5.33 0.22 | | 0.62 4.07 2.83 | |
| 1977-86 (inc.1984) | r ² slope intercept | 0.36 3.00 10.48 | | 0.363 2.21 10.51 | | 0.360 1.74 10.52 | |

Table 7. Relationship of Canadian survey age 6+ numbers with cohort
age 6+ (average) abundance for the period 1977-86.

Table 8. a) Relationship of survey abundance (age 3) with cohort numbers age 3 (average) for the period 1977-82 along with predicted values for 1984-86.

| Year | Survey Abundance Age 3 | Cohort Numbers | Cohort Numbers |
|-----------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Age 3 (Ave.) | Age 3 (Ave.) |
| 1977 | 9.46 | 42.3 | |
| 1978 | 7.22 | 36.9 | |
| 1979 | 2.35 | 18.8 | |
| 1980 | 1.37 | 21.2 | |
| 1981 | 5.40 | 29.6 | |
| 1982 | 1.18 | 26.9 | |
| 1983 | - | | |
| 1984 | 6.20 | (33.4) | 55.8 |
| 1985 | 4.47 | (29.2) | 33.2 |
| 1986 | 0.71 | (20.1) | 19.4 |
| r^2 | 0.84 | (estimates from adjusted partial selection) | |
| slope | 2.43 | | |
| intercept | 18.37 | | |

Table 8. b) Partial recruitment vector adjusted to give cohort age 3 numbers described above.

| Age (yr) | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Partial recruitment | 0.04 | 0.55 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

Table 9: Results of cohort analysis for Div. 3NO cod using $F_t = 0.20$.
(Population numbers, average population biomass, fishing mortality).

| POPULATION NUMBERS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| AGE | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 | 1962 | 1963 | 1964 | 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 |
| 3 | 53690 | 53182 | 82102 | 107739 | 78245 | 112305 | 162557 | 209999 | 183237 | 100502 | 127856 | 60329 | 84447 | 62128 |
| 4 | 93899 | 42410 | 41872 | 66405 | 87281 | 63778 | 86336 | 132174 | 171252 | 131847 | 67482 | 97302 | 63263 | 68280 |
| 5 | 19533 | 65082 | 26838 | 30300 | 50221 | 66251 | 30142 | 63799 | 91554 | 83707 | 56575 | 43555 | 61836 | 27947 |
| 6 | 16514 | 11407 | 33333 | 13028 | 22812 | 31347 | 36601 | 24334 | 34426 | 29430 | 24553 | 21936 | 25609 | 23211 |
| 7 | 12460 | 8049 | 6539 | 13485 | 9236 | 14209 | 10663 | 17970 | 9251 | 11431 | 7369 | 9976 | 7381 | 10609 |
| 8 | 4372 | 6641 | 4455 | 3531 | 7789 | 5011 | 9842 | 6358 | 7034 | 3254 | 3625 | 4143 | 4869 | 4513 |
| 9 | 2886 | 2320 | 3171 | 2135 | 2192 | 2902 | 3754 | 3527 | 1163 | 1550 | 1224 | 1707 | 1913 | 1724 |
| 10 | 3348 | 1678 | 1372 | 1830 | 1143 | 740 | 1663 | 2095 | 1233 | 739 | 812 | 533 | 908 | 1114 |
| 11 | 2241 | 1919 | 1024 | 946 | 1106 | 386 | 309 | 232 | 183 | 846 | 444 | 401 | 302 | 563 |
| 12 | 331 | 748 | 759 | 816 | 570 | 614 | 283 | 106 | 80 | 85 | 611 | 242 | 123 | 157 |
| 3+ | 209315 | 193456 | 203465 | 240295 | 261294 | 298623 | 357950 | 460594 | 499412 | 363394 | 290552 | 260124 | 253530 | 200244 |
| 4+ | 155624 | 140274 | 121363 | 132555 | 183049 | 186318 | 195393 | 205975 | 316175 | 762892 | 162695 | 179796 | 169083 | 138116 |
| 5+ | 61725 | 97864 | 79491 | 66070 | 95768 | 122540 | 109057 | 118421 | 144923 | 131044 | 95213 | 82494 | 105220 | 69836 |
| 6+ | 42192 | 32731 | 30653 | 35770 | 44847 | 56290 | 70915 | 54622 | 53369 | 47335 | 38638 | 38938 | 43384 | 41890 |
| AGE | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 |
| 3 | 35060 | 36713 | 23081 | 27591 | 46983 | 41179 | 20800 | 23580 | 32945 | 29865 | 60812 | 61606 | 36682 | 21460 |
| 4 | 50803 | 19604 | 24244 | 18290 | 18921 | 37917 | 32882 | 16965 | 19052 | 26540 | 24176 | 48722 | 50386 | 29984 |
| 5 | 37990 | 16621 | 7454 | 11904 | 8158 | 13257 | 27119 | 23459 | 12840 | 14665 | 19740 | 19208 | 30966 | 28674 |
| 6 | 11761 | 17442 | 3737 | 2910 | 4367 | 4389 | 8576 | 13872 | 15778 | 2440 | 10567 | 14612 | 14449 | 26432 |
| 7 | 6849 | 4210 | 4443 | 794 | 1402 | 2218 | 2853 | 4502 | 9496 | 10952 | 6020 | 7562 | 9861 | 9130 |
| 8 | 3363 | 3824 | 1414 | 872 | 460 | 630 | 1496 | 1537 | 3084 | 6141 | 7584 | 4963 | 5067 | 5024 |
| 9 | 2170 | 1874 | 1188 | 199 | 498 | 216 | 424 | 985 | 1091 | 2024 | 3670 | 5167 | 3412 | 3446 |
| 10 | 1154 | 1137 | 616 | 140 | 123 | 219 | 124 | 294 | 739 | 728 | 1127 | 2311 | 3400 | 2378 |
| 11 | 716 | 725 | 319 | 87 | 31 | 42 | 133 | 87 | 217 | 524 | 466 | 707 | 1374 | 2299 |
| 12 | 390 | 462 | 206 | 33 | 60 | 29 | 27 | 98 | 64 | 142 | 283 | 259 | 483 | 904 |
| 3+ | 150257 | 102612 | 66704 | 62821 | 81052 | 100076 | 94435 | 85378 | 95325 | 101040 | 135391 | 135117 | 184139 | 140530 |
| 4+ | 115196 | 65899 | 43623 | 35230 | 34065 | 58918 | 73634 | 61798 | 62386 | 71175 | 74579 | 103511 | 127457 | 119071 |
| 5+ | 64393 | 46295 | 19379 | 16940 | 15148 | 21001 | 40753 | 44833 | 43329 | 44635 | 50403 | 54789 | 77071 | 69086 |
| 6+ | 26403 | 29674 | 11925 | 5035 | 6991 | 7743 | 13633 | 21375 | 30469 | 29970 | 30464 | 35561 | 30065 | 50413 |

Table 9. (continued)

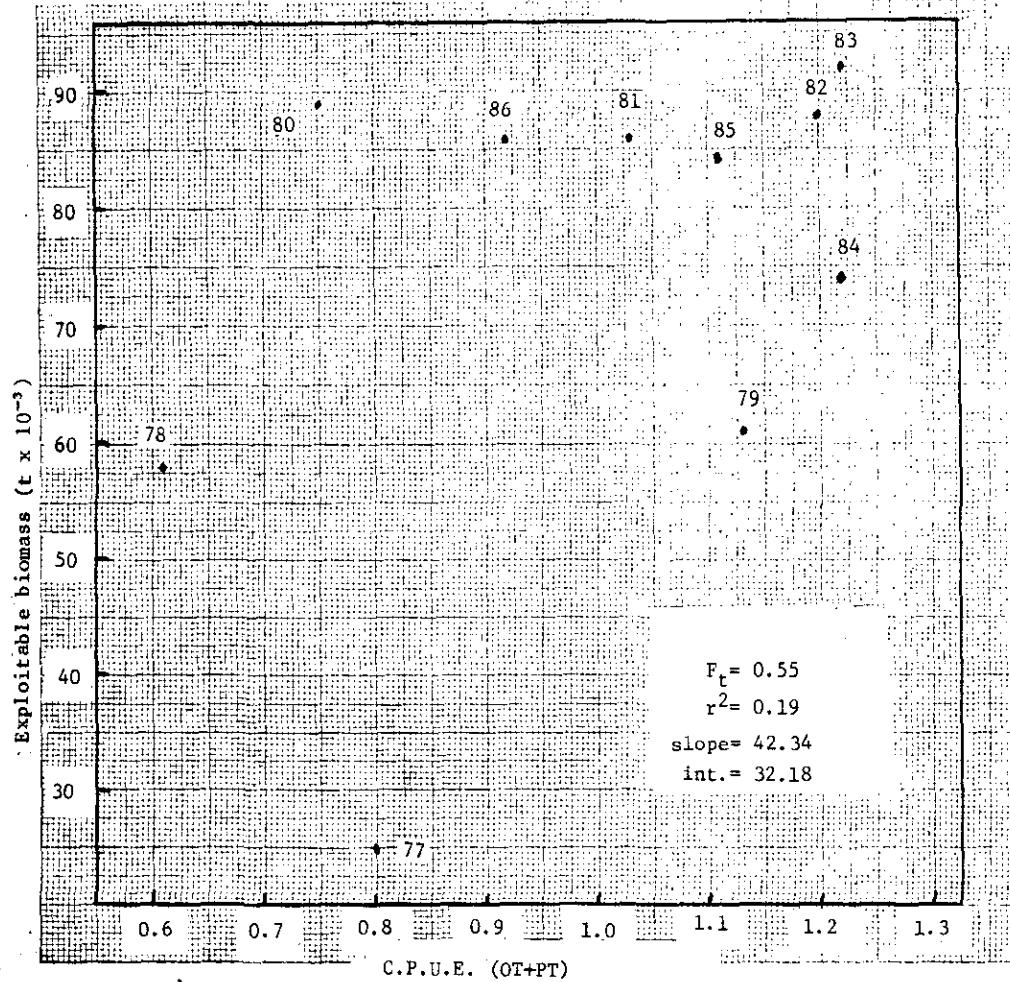


Fig. 1. Relationship of commercial C.P.U.E. (OT+PT) with cohort exploitable biomass.

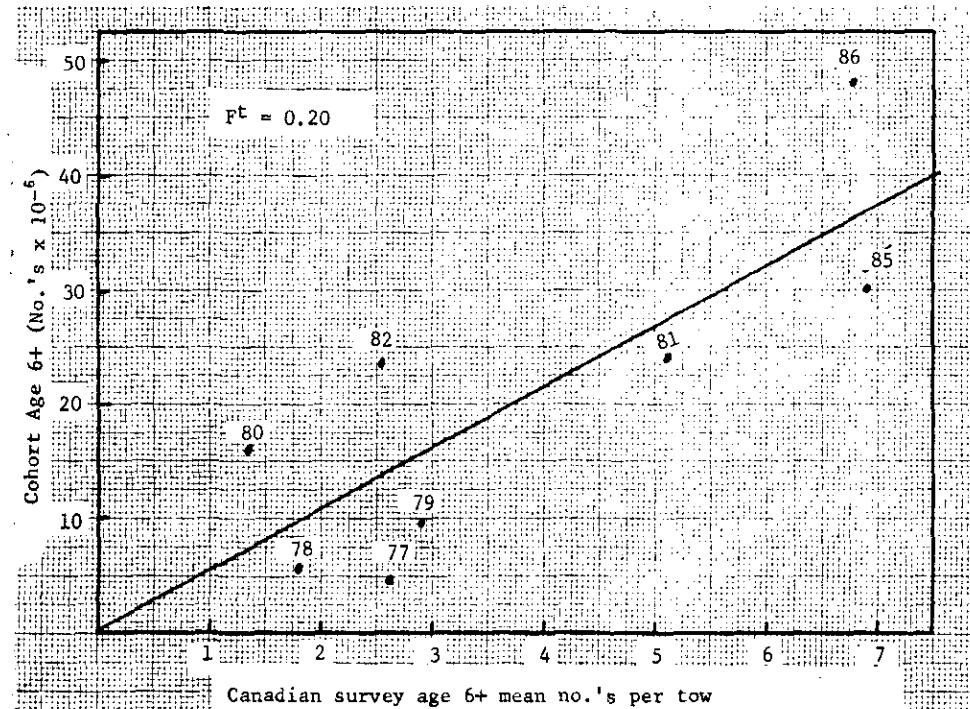


Fig. 2. Relationship of survey abundance and cohort numbers for ages 6+.

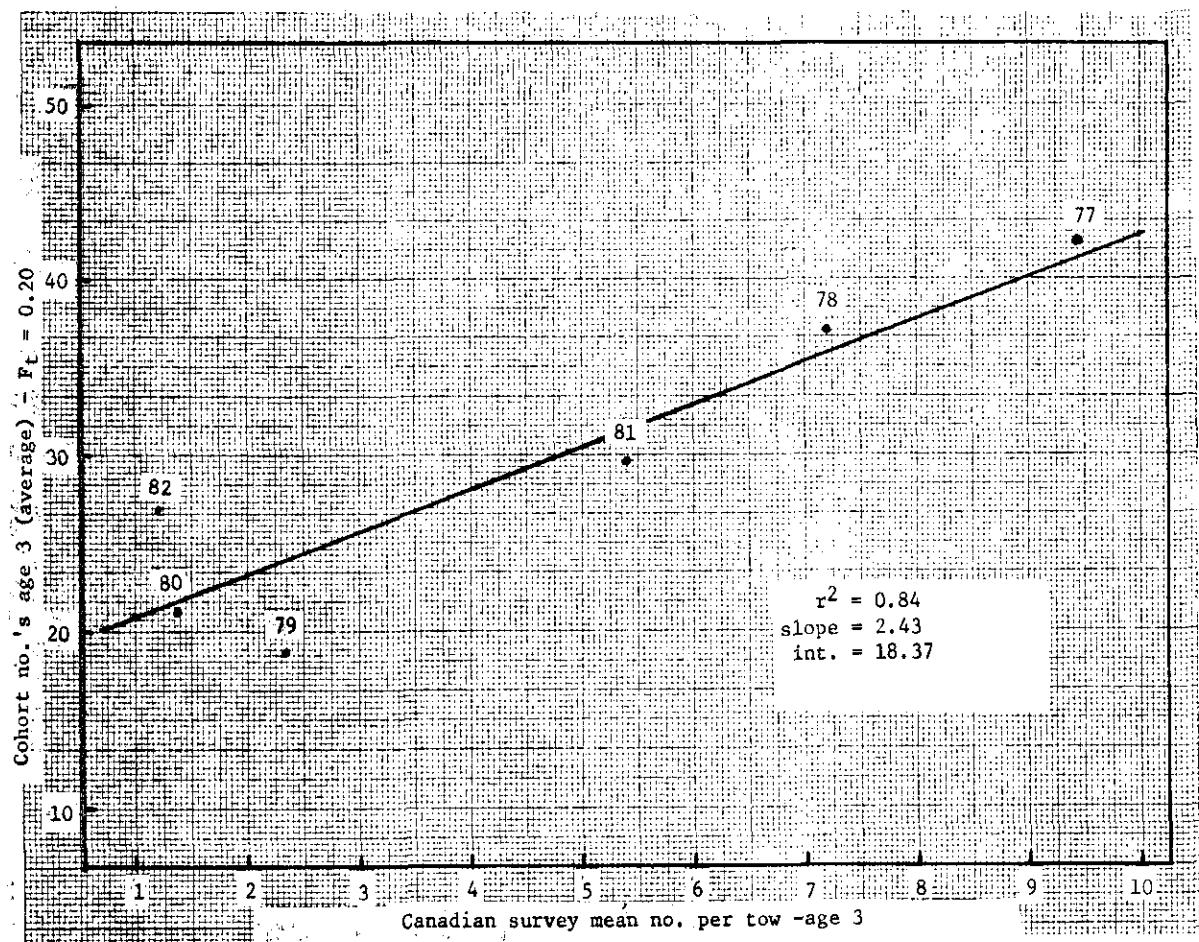


Fig. 3. Relationship of survey and cohort numbers at age 3.