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Results from bottom trawl survey of Flemish Cap in
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A fishing survey of Flemish Cap was carried out from 18th July to 6th August 1990 on board the Soviet R/V IGNAT PAVLIUCHENKOV to estimate cod, redfish and American plaice stock abundance. This survey was the third since 1988 and it was conducted in the same way as the previous one (Vazquez, 1989, 1990); like those ones this survey had a bottom trawl stratified random design following NAFO specifications (Doubleday, 1981). A total of 113 valid bottom trawls were made up to a depth of 720 meters (400 f.). A synoptic sheet of the survey with ship and gear characteristics is shown in Table 1.

Although the vessel used was not the same in these three surveys, gear, fishing doors, warps and, particularly, design and control were the same. In such conditions the effect of using a different ship is considered to be negligible. In the commercial fishery it is commonly accepted that fishing power is a function of horsepower of the main engine because the size of the gear is designed and trawling speed adjusted in each case in order to get the maximum engine efficiency. This was not our case because the gear was the same and trawling was also maintained at the same speed. A complete list of species occurrence in comparison to previous survey's catches is presented in Table 2. Cod catches show a sharp increase from 1988 to 1989, attributed to a higher accessibility to the shoal in the near bottom layer, and a later reduction from 1989 to 1990. American plaice and redfish show a repeated decrease both from 1988 to 1989 and from then to 1990. These three species are the target of the survey and the three have decreased catches from 1989 to 1990; this fact could have been attributed to less efficiency of the gear. But let us consider non commercial species, at least those appeared in more than ten sets per year. Total catches without adjustment to stratum area show several tendencies:

observed changes	species	total catch (Kg) during:		
		1988	1989	1990
permanent decrease:				
	Rajidae	605	397	387
	Synaphobranchus sp.	32	14	5
	Urophycis sp.	97	27	22
	Antimora sp.	51	44	37
	Macrouridae + Notacanthus sp.	474	286	152
sharp increase in 1990:				
	Illex sp.		1	1
				255
remain constant				
	Anarhichadidae	1100	1160	1140
decrease followed by increase:				
	witch flounder	134	54	64
	Greenland halibut	940	688	738
increase followed by decrease:				
	Zoarcidae	76	170	160

(Some species are grouped to balance possible identification errors)

The permanent decrease from 1988 to 1989 is the most common situation as it would be expected if fishing intensity was high during the period. The decrease was in general more important from 1988 to 1989 than since then to 1990. Increase of squid must be attributed to a particular behaviour of this species and so it cannot be considered as an indicator of gear efficiency. The more indicative variations are those belonging to the Anarhichadidae family, that remains fairly constant in the period, and to witch flounder and Greenland halibut, that increased from 1989 to 1990. These situations are specially significant because these species are demersal or benthic as cod and American plaice are. Although each stock or group of species considered has its particular population dynamic which is not analyzed, we may conclude that there is not a generalized decrease of species catch from 1989 to 1990, at least no other than the one expected due to an overfishing situation. Cod is the species with higher decreased catches since 1989 to 1990.

A LORAN C system was used in 1988 and 1989 to determine a geographic position and a GPS in the 1990 survey. The former one, although having less absolute precision, has the advantage of computing permanently the position which is not achieved in Flemish Cap with GPS. In previous surveys catch per nautical mile towed was considered to be preferable to catch by set results due to its smaller variation coefficient. Distance covered by set in 1990 survey was not recorded with precision and catch per nautical mile results are meaningless.

RESULTS

Weighted (by stratum area) mean catch in half-an-hour tow of main species in the bank was:

	1988	1989	1990
cod	46.74	146.04	70.81
American plaice	15.01	14.25	11.64
Sebastes spp.	188.22	161.15	93.23
Sebastes (juvenile)			21.23
Sebastes marinus	19.28	33.25	18.80
shrimp	2.50	2.71	2.74
			Kg

Cod

Mean catch by strata and whole bank data and their standard error are presented in Table 3. Cod stock biomass, estimated by swept area method, was approximately half the one observed in 1989, and in comparison to USSR's survey the results are:

year	CEE (1)	URSS:(2)	(3)
1983		23,000	
1984		31,100	
1985		28,100	
1986		26,100	
1987		12,300	
1988	37,127	7,700 (34,200)	
1989	103,644	36,500 (78,300)	
1990	55,360		
			(tons)

- 1) Biomass estimated from bottom trawl survey
- 2) Biomass estimates from bottom trawl survey (Chumakov, 1989).
- 3) USSR's estimates of bottom trawlable plus pelagic biomass (Kuzmin, 1990).

The abundances of year classes in the fishery were calculated as follows:

year class	year class abundance in:		
	1988	1989	1990
1989 -		237	
1988 -		2085	1179
1987 -	458	1100	467
1986 -	7196	8422	1588
1985 -	4037	4922	1453
1984 -	1085	1858	394
1983 -	128	127	32
1982 -	22	15	13
1981 -	28	12	8
1980 -	11		3
1979 -		1	

(x 10E-4)

With 35 mm mesh size used in the cod end recruitment is believed to be completed before age 2

The abundance observed in 1989 was approximately twice the amount expected taking into account the 1988 results after one year when natural and fishing mortalities were operating. The explanation we proposed (Vazquez 1990) for the observed increase in cod abundance from 1988 to 1989, is that individuals of the strongest year classes in this stock became more accessible to bottom trawl gear in the second year. This would correspond to a less pelagic dispersion. However during the 1989 survey it was observed by the echoasonder that pelagically distributed cod was common; it was also fished with a pelagic trawl gear. During the 1990 survey we observed that all the cod was practically in the three meter zone above the bottom, being very scarce the cod pelagically distributed. After this bottom trawl survey was finished, an acoustic survey was carried out and it confirmed that cod abundance distributed in more than three meters above the bottom was negligible. Although swept area underestimates cod total biomass for 1988 and 1989 surveys due to pelagic dispersion of the stock, this circumstance is not applicable for 1990 and 55,360 metric tons for cod biomass should be closer to total biomass figure than before.

Tables 4, 5 and 6 show length frequency, age length key and estimated age composition of the stock respectively.

American plaice

Mean catch by strata and whole bank data and its standard error are presented in Table 7.

Total biomass calculated by swept area method was:

1988 - 11,868
1989 - 10,533
1990 - 9,101 tons

The abundance of year classes in the stock was:

year class	abundance in:		
	1988	1989	1990
1988 -		343	
1987 -		454	767
1986 -	2284	6847	7027
1985 -	625	1500	865
1984 -	3034	3238	2386
1983 -	1975	3006	1640
1982 -	3020	2868	1586
1981 -	4154	1691	992
1980 -	4258	587	462
1979 -	1492	261	83
1978 -	207	34	12
1977 -	109	14	30
1976 -	61		17

(x 10E-3)

Abundances of year classes up to age 6 increased from 1988 to 1989 and it seems to indicate that full recruitment do not occur before that age. From 1989 to 1990 year classes up to age 4 increased only their abundances. A change in recruitment pattern was unlikely produced. Reduction of age groups 5 and 6 could be due to fishing before full recruitment age as by-catch in the cod fishery. Among the prerecruited year classes, the one of 1986 seems to be very abundant.

Tables 8, 9 and 10 show length frequency, age length key and estimated age composition of the population respectively.

Redfish

Redfish catches were classified into Sebaste marinus and Sebastes spp.. During the 1990 survey all individuals of less than 15 cm length or those of species difficult to classify were separated in an independent group name "juvenile". The group may contain a majority of Sebastes spp., although a species determination was not possible at those lengths.

Mean catch by strata and whole bank data and its standard error are presented in Tables 11 and 15. It is summarized in the next table:

Stock biomass estimated in:	1988	1989	1990
<u>Sebaste marinus</u>	15,289	22,958	14,699
<u>Sebastes spp.</u>	142,933	113,675	72,893
juvenile			16,601
total	158,222	136,633	104,193 tons

These figures are well below the respective absolute biomasses due to the pelagic behaviour of the redfish species. In any case Sebastes marinus is less abundant than the two other species together.

Otoliths burned were used for age determination of all groups. The present method was considered the most appropriate for redfish age determination, but results are not always consistent with previous surveys readings, when scales were used and our experience in age determination was small. Tables 12, 13 and 14 show length frequency, age length key and age composition of the population respectively for S. marinus, and tables 16, 17 and 18 for beaked redfish.

Greenland halibut (*Reinhardtius hippoglossoides*)

Mean catch by strata and whole bank estimates are presented in table 19. Table 20 shows the length composition of the population.

Shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*)

In Table 21 mean catch by strata and whole bank data are presented. Estimated length composition of the population is presented in Tables 22 and 23.

Swept area method total biomass estimations were in last three years:

1988	-	2,164
1989	-	1,865
1990	-	2,140 tons

Squid (*Illex illecebrosus*)

Squid appeared in this survey in amount greater than in previous years. Sampling length frequency are shown in Table 24.

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Table 1 - Technical data of the survey.

Procedure	specification
Ship	R/S IGNAT PAVLYUCHENKOV
GT	2,500 t
power	2 x 625 HP
Trawling speed	3.6 knots
Trawling time	30 minutes
Trawl gear	type "Lofoten"
footrope / handrope	31.20 / 17.70 m
footgear	27 steel bobbins of 35 cm
vertical opening	3.20 m (according specifications)
warps	100 meters
trawl doors	polivalent, 850 Kg
wire length	3 times the depth
mesh size in codend	35 mm
Type of survey	stratified sampling
Station selection procedure	random
Criterion to change position of a selected tow:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- unsuitable bottom for trawling according to ecosonde register.- information on from previous surveys.
Criterion to reject data from tow	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- severe tears- less than 20 minutes tow- bad behaviour of the gear
Daily period for fishing	6.00 to 22.00 hours
Species for sampling	all fishes, squid and shrimp
Species for age determination	cod, American plaice and redfish (<i>Sebastes</i> spp and <i>S. marinus</i>)

Table 2 - List of species caught in 1988-1990 surveys.

ORDER	Family	Species	common name	presence in 1988			presence in 1989			presence in 1990		
				sets	number	weight-gr	sets	number	weight-gr	sets	number	weight-gr
GADIFORMES												
	Gadidae											
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>	cod	86	20350	5647907		99	30829	16687575	96	8248	8197118
	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	haddock	2	4	1150		5	6	4250	3	67	4875
	<i>Merluccius bilinearis</i>	silver hake	2	2	404							
	<i>Urophycis sp.</i>	hake SE	3	2	1180							
	<i>Urophycis chuss</i>	red hake	29	187	32011					2	2	1960
	<i>Urophycis tenuis</i>	white hake	12	29	34000	3	3	4650				
	<i>Urophycis chesteri</i>	longfin hake	19	204	25705	42	178	23120	37	185	22260	
	<i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	blue whiting	4	4	631	5	5	1390				
	<i>Gadropsar sus ensis</i>	...	15	27	6850	10	18	1965	8	8	1240	
	<i>Brama brama</i>	cusk	3	3	16440	1	1	6500	1	1	290	
	<i>Enchelyopus cimbrius</i>	...	4	4	430	3	3	300	1	1	50	
	Moridae											
	<i>Antimora rostrata</i>	...	13	564	51070		16	558	43975	13	367	36985
	Macrouridae											
	<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>	roundnose grenadier	50	1137	92291		9	160	14285			
	<i>Macrourus berglax</i>	roughhead grenadier	39	613	316200	38	305	161615	30	209	115225	
	<i>Nezumia bairdi</i>	...				44	840	48469	49	528	28590	
	<i>Cooliohynchus carminatus</i>											
	<i>Trachyrhynchus murayi</i>	roughnose grenadier	3	24	961							
			1	2	700							
ATHERINIFORMES												
	Escomberesocidae											
	<i>Scomberesox saurus</i>	...		2	2	360	1	1	70			
BERYCIIFORMES												
	Diretmidae											
	<i>Diretmus argentatus</i>											
PERCIFORMES												
	Percichthyidae											
	<i>Howella sherborni</i>											
	Chiasmodontidae											
	<i>Chiasmodon niger</i>	...		1	1	15				1	1	20
	Anarhichadidae											
	<i>Anarhichas sp.</i>	wolfish SE	1	16	15700							
	<i>Anarhichas lupus</i>	Atlantic W.	81	1279	688390	87	1379	742685	88	1214	729350	
	<i>Anarhichas minor</i>	spotted W.	52	154	308105	61	151	221750	70	169	357535	
	<i>Anarhichas denticulatus</i>	northern W.	21	36	116390	20	30	205200	11	17	72590	
	Zoarcidae											
	<i>Lycenchelys paxillus</i>											
	<i>Lycodes sp.</i>	eelpout SE	57	367	67226	11	61	11060	4	15	2425	
	<i>Lycodes esmarki</i>											
	<i>Lycodes reticulatus</i>	Arctic eelpout	11	41	8861	19	38	14425	15	40	11740	
	<i>Lycodes vahlii</i>											
	Stiellidae											
	<i>Lumpenus lumpretaeformis</i>	...								5	22	430
	Scorpaenidae											
	<i>Sebastes (juvenile)</i>											
	<i>Sebastes marinus</i>	golden redfish	66	6690	2109025	53	11172	4090970	93	37521	2484130	
	<i>Sebastes sp.</i>	beaked redfish	82	87335	21054732	90	76922	18430160	69	4662	2232555	
	Cottidae									83	30502	10491710
	<i>Triglops murrayi</i>	...	2	7	80	5	12	260	10	26	273	
	<i>Cottunculus microps</i>	...	9	12	1160	3	5	305	4	4	320	
	<i>Cottunculus thomsoni</i>	...				8	17	355	1	1	10	
	Agonidae											
	<i>Aspidophoroides monopterygius</i>	...	6	9	96	5	18	120	4	4	119	
	Cylopteridae											
	<i>Cyclopterus lumpus</i>											
	<i>Paraliparis copei</i>											
PLEURONECTIFORMES												
	Pleuronectidae											
	<i>Hippoglossoides platessoides</i> -American plaice	81	3165	1767930		81	3536	1691480	82	2558	1383855	
	<i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i> -witch flounder	64	270	133690		38	99	53570	52	141	63747	
	<i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i> -Greenland halibut	75	663	940011		76	588	687860	60	733	737960	
	<i>Hippoglossus hippoglossus</i> -halibut	2	2	28000					4	3	99280	
CEPHALOPODA												
	<i>Rossia macrosoma</i>	...	2	2	100							
	<i>Illex illecebrosus</i>	squid	5	5	770		10	13	1280	6	8	98
	<i>Bathy polyypus arcticus</i>	...	5	7	1620					61	2775	255325
	<i>Histioteuthis reversa</i>	...	2	2	245					10	12	1278
	<i>Chiroteuthys picteti</i>	...										
	Cirromorpha									2	2	360
	<i>Onychoteuthis bauksii</i>	...	1	1	2100					2	7	420
	<i>Brachio teuthis</i>	...	1	1	20					2	2	45
CRUSTACEA												
	Crustacea SE	crustacea SE										
	<i>Pandalus borealis</i> (red prawn)	shrimp	54	14119	298373	1	1	1100	3	2	1175	
		...				38	...	304680	55	...	316350	
		...				3	...	3150	1	...	20	

Table 3 - Cod catches (Kg) by strata.

stratum	area	tow number	catch per tow		catch per	
	squa. miles		mean	s.deviat.	mile towed mean	s.deviat.
1 -	342	4	29.62	18.17	14.89	10.98
2 -	838	9	30.23	18.54	16.81	11.13
3 -	628	7	42.87	25.30	25.96	15.01
4 -	348	4	91.37	95.32	47.94	48.88
5 -	703	8	148.60	246.47	81.94	138.57
6 -	496	6	81.83	48.99	45.18	27.06
7 -	822	9	58.82	45.89	36.37	33.89
8 -	646	7	320.01	214.87	168.62	112.84
9 -	314	3	253.43	284.30	137.70	154.36
10 -	951	11	60.40	44.94	30.07	18.22
11 -	806	9	62.08	27.06	32.65	16.15
12 -	670	7	29.78	31.39	16.15	17.08
13 -	249	2	37.35	13.65	20.08	6.48
14 -	602	6	13.09	21.87	6.18	9.92
15 -	666	8	43.33	46.44	24.00	25.28
16 -	634	7	-	-	-	-
17 -	216	2	-	-	-	-
18 -	210	2	-	-	-	-
19 -	414	2	-	-	-	-
total	10555	113				
			catch per tow		catch per	
					mile towed	
general mean (Y)			70.81		38.34	
standard error of Y			9.57		5.23	
						(Kg)

Table 4 - Cod length frequency by strata (x 10E-4).

Table 5 - Cod age-length key.

Table 6 - Cod age composition by strata (x 10E-4).

Table 7 - American plaice catch (Kg) by strata.

stratum	area squa. miles	tow number	catch mean	per tow s.deviat.	catch per mile towed mean	catch per mile towed s.deviat.
1 -	342	4	17.67	13.66	7.64	4.89
2 -	838	9	16.75	10.86	9.22	6.22
3 -	628	7	25.95	12.96	14.94	6.40
4 -	348	4	25.64	18.55	13.20	8.92
5 -	703	8	27.01	36.40	14.63	19.61
6 -	496	6	19.58	4.69	10.81	2.47
7 -	822	9	9.23	9.36	5.73	6.39
8 -	646	7	4.36	3.06	2.29	1.57
9 -	314	3	11.28	9.52	6.14	5.19
10 -	951	11	22.07	22.50	11.83	11.50
11 -	806	9	16.30	10.74	9.19	7.34
12 -	670	7	0.71	1.30	0.38	0.69
13 -	249	2	0.82	1.17	0.46	0.65
14 -	602	6	0.13	0.22	0.06	0.10
15 -	666	8	0.04	0.12	0.02	0.06
16 -	634	7	-	-	-	-
17 -	216	2	-	-	-	-
18 -	210	2	-	-	-	-
19 -	414	2	-	-	-	-
total	10555	113				
				catch per tow	catch per mile towed	
general mean (Y)				11.64	6.36	
standard error of Y				1.26	0.68	
						(Kg)

Table 8 - American plaice length frequency by strata.

Table 9 - American plaice age-length key.

MALE

length (cm)	ages								no id	n. tot
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
14-15										7
16-17	6	1								
18-19	12	9								21
20-21	2	7	2							11
22-23		5	2							7
24-25		11	9							20
26-27	9	28	1						1	39
28-29	1	55								56
30-31		91	2	3						1 97
32-33		75	10	4	1					1 91
34-35		16	16	19	4	1				2 58
36-37		2	13	31	15	8	1	1		8 79
38-39			4	27	28	14	2	1		2 78
40-41				1	11	17	12	3	2	5 51
42-43					6	5	5	2		18
44-45						3	3	1		7
46-47						1			1	2
48-49							1	1		2
50-51							1			1
total:	20	43	280	47	95	71	44	16	8	21 645

FEMALE

length (cm)	ages								no id	n. tot
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
8-9										
10-11	1									1
12-13										
14-15										
16-17	5	1							1	7
18-19	12	4							1	17
20-21	1	4								5
22-23	7	2								9
24-25	6	4								10
26-27	7	21								28
28-29	2	31							1	34
30-31	4	59	2							65
32-33		67	3							70
34-35		40	5	1						46
36-37		9	3	7						19
38-39		3	12							15
40-41	1	24	4	1						30
42-43		25	11	12	3	3			1	55
44-45		10	30	19	15	4			2	80
46-47			13	32	16	5			3	69
48-49		1	1	19	27	10	1		2	61
50-51					11	8	6		2	27
52-53					1	5	1			10
54-55						1	2	1	1	6
56-57						1	1		1	3
58-59								1		1
total:	1	18	35	233	17	80	59	83	73	36 668

Table 10 - American plaice age composition by strata ($\times 10^3$).

age	stratum					mean weight (gr)												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	total		
1	45	79	4	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	0		
2	6	101	195	44	153	152	22	22	14	46	28	6	343	46	343	46		
3	120	808	1510	515	896	1112	682	126	21	633	576	7	767	122	767	122		
4	66	103	106	44	81	101	66	13	25	191	64	1	5	7027	275	7027	275	
5	177	250	215	109	325	163	141	26	125	660	180	12	1	865	407	865	407	
6	134	164	120	78	241	76	80	20	80	455	186	6	3	2386	577	2386	577	
7	116	170	143	112	263	67	64	34	68	326	214	9	1	1640	711	1640	711	
8	58	114	107	89	197	44	39	28	32	143	133	4	4	1586	854	1586	854	
9	10	23	50	49	36	96	22	23	16	15	68	60	1	3	992	1013	992	1013
10	11	11	12	6	24	5	7	3	3	8	5	2	2	462	1064	462	1064	
11	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	83	1419	83	1419
12	7	4	4	4	7	1	1	1	4	2	2	2	2	2	12	1721	12	1721
13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	1712	30	1712
14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	1610	17	1610

Table 11 - Redfish (*Sebastes marinus*) catch (Kg) by strata.

stratum	area	tow number	catch per tow		catch per mile towed	
	squa. miles		mean	s.deviat.	mean	s.deviat.
1 -	342	4	13.06	22.40	7.19	12.48
2 -	838	9	2.87	6.49	1.50	3.56
3 -	628	7	3.05	4.71	2.11	3.34
4 -	348	4	0.76	1.17	0.37	0.55
5 -	703	8	1.29	0.82	0.71	0.46
6 -	496	6	20.96	33.27	11.28	17.68
7 -	822	9	10.16	15.86	5.10	6.78
8 -	646	7	6.20	9.87	3.36	5.42
9 -	314	3	8.17	6.11	4.44	3.32
10 -	951	11	34.43	39.28	17.15	18.79
11 -	806	9	161.54	449.52	87.10	241.71
12 -	670	7	0.10	0.27	0.05	0.14
13 -	249	2	0.32	0.11	0.18	0.07
14 -	602	6	0.12	0.30	0.06	0.14
15 -	666	8	-	-	-	-
16 -	634	7	-	-	-	-
17 -	216	2	-	-	-	-
18 -	210	2	-	-	-	-
19 -	414	2	-	-	-	-
total	10555	113				

	catch per tow	catch per mile towed
general mean (Y)	18.80	10.01
standard error of Y	11.53	6.19

(Kg)

Table 12 - Redfish (*Sebastodes marinus*) length frequency by strata.
 (x 10E-3)

Table 13 - Redfish (Sebastodes marinus) age-length key.

MALE

length (cm)	4	5	6	7	8	age	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16+	no id	n. tot
13															1	1
14															1	1
15															1	6
16		2	3												1	5
17	1	1	2												1	10
18		3	6												1	8
19		3	4												1	8
20		2	3	3												8
21			7	2											1	10
22			3	5											1	9
23			1	4	1										1	7
24			2	4	1	1									1	9
25			1		6										1	8
26			3	7	2										1	13
27			1	6	2	1										10
28				8	10	1									1	20
29				5	9	3	1								3	21
30				2	4	6	1								4	17
31				1	4	3	4								1	13
32				1	3	4	3	4	1						16	
33						7	2	3			1					13
34							5	4	1			1	1		1	12
35							1	6	2	1	1	1				11
36							1		3	2	3					9
37								1		1	5	1				7
38							1		1	1	3	2				8
39											2					2
40										1	2					3
41																
42													1			1
43												2				2
44																
45												2				2
46												1	1			
47																
48																
49																
50																
51													1			1
total:	1	3	13	27	22	38	35	27	17	17	9	6	23	26	264	

TABLE 13. (Cont'd)

FEMALE

length (cm)	age								no id.	n. tot					
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
14															
15	2	1								3					
16		3	1							5					
17		2	5	1					1	11					
18			1	3					3	4					
19			8	4					1	13					
20			1	5	3				1	9					
21			2	5	2				1	10					
22			1	1	1	3			2	8					
23				6	3				1	10					
24				4	6	3				13					
25				2	9	2			2	15					
26			1	3	7				1	12					
27				1	5	5			2	13					
28					1	7	3		2	13					
29						1	8		1	10					
30						5	5	1	1	12					
31						3	5	1	5	14					
32						2	6	3	4	17					
33					1	4	9	1	2	17					
34							5	2		8					
35							2	4	2	10					
36								3	1	7					
37								1	2	3					
38									2	2					
39									3	3					
40								1	3	1					
41									2	3					
42									2	1					
43									2	3					
44									1	1					
45									1	1					
46															
47															
48									1	1					
49									1	1					
50															
51									1	1					
52									1	1					
53															
54															
55															
56									1	1					
total:	2	6	19	21	22	42	31	20	21	12	2	4	20	44	266

Table 14 - Redfish (*Sebastodes marinus*) age composition (x 10E-3).

Table 15 - Redfish (*Sebastodes spp.*) catch (Kg) by strata.

stratum	area		catch per tow		catch per mile towed	
	squa. miles	tow number	mean	s.deviat.	mean	s.deviat.
1 -	342	4	-	-	-	-
2 -	838	9	0.16	0.44	0.09	0.25
3 -	628	7	1.34	3.38	0.93	2.37
4 -	348	4	0.15	0.30	0.08	0.17
5 -	703	8	-	-	-	-
6 -	496	6	0.85	1.08	0.46	0.58
7 -	822	9	136.01	173.40	73.41	91.39
8 -	646	7	41.44	57.34	21.32	28.92
9 -	314	3	86.43	78.89	47.08	43.04
10 -	951	11	118.95	146.03	68.80	87.10
11 -	806	9	250.61	242.54	137.06	136.04
12 -	670	7	157.00	94.85	84.96	50.75
13 -	249	2	145.10	106.07	79.96	61.05
14 -	602	6	217.07	131.41	120.85	80.99
15 -	666	8	145.45	78.10	82.10	43.35
16 -	634	7	118.77	76.32	67.10	43.05
17 -	216	2	117.94	163.43	63.19	87.58
18 -	210	2	60.95	2.76	36.92	2.95
19 -	414	2	46.75	13.08	26.81	7.43
total	10555	113				

	catch per tow	catch per mile towed
general mean (Y)	93.23	51.64
standard error of Y	10.35	5.82

(Kg)

Table 16 - Redfish (*Sebastodes spp.*) length frequency by strata (x 10E-4).

length (cm)	stratum										15	16	17	18	19	total	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
15-	1										1						
16-	1										2						
17-	1	1									2						
18-	1	2	1								2						
19-	1	2	2	5	2						5						
20-	1	2	3	2	6	5	2				9						
21-	1	2	5	2	8	14	16	17	2		4						
22-		3	20	4	8	32	34	7	5		2						
23-	1	2	68	4	13	48	92	26	24		24						
24-	1	122	12	44	162	223	72	21	114		187	1					
25-	5	1	209	27	109	427	389	185	85		253	398	4				
26-	1	1	419	27	182	557	750	397	137		398	509	12	6			
27-	2	2	373	50	186	588	816	530	174		421	398	15	2			
28-			318	63	110	345	627	445	165		320	233	18	5			
29-	1	1	1163	36	44	215	374	231	121		236	96	31	10			
30-			1114	48	20	119	197	110	173		179	58	37	26			
31-		3	91	28	5	69	148	85	26		143	63	53	23			
32-		2	1117	30	3	67	96	72	13		136	80	71	28			
33-	1		105	20	4	35	112	48	7		122	63	81	29			
34-	1		103	26	8	60	161	81	7		134	36	84	25			
35-			71	21		55	90	30	1		83	33	92	21			
36-			43	17		21	103	38	1		76	30	116	38			
37-			33	18		18	71	23	2		35	32	94	35			
38-	1		26	7		8	44	16	4		29	24	74	31			
39-			10	7		9	28	7	1		5	24	58	16			
40-			4	4		2	2	13	16		17	6	35	6			
41-			6	4		3	11	1	7		2	10	11	5			
42-			1	1		2	10	2	2		2	2	9	2			
43-			1			2	1	1			3	2	6	4			
44-			47								2		2	2			
45-											1		1	1			
46-											1		1	1			
47-											2		2	2			

Table 17 - Redfish (*Sebastodes spp.*) age-length key.

MALE length (cm)	age						age						age						age						age							
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16+	no. tot	length (cm)	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16+	no. tot			
18															18	19	2															
19	1														19	20	4															
20	1														20	21	1	3														
21															21	22	1	5	1													
22		1													22	23	1	9	3	4	1											
23				1	2	1									23	24	4	9	6	1	2											
24			1	6	11	2	1								24	25	7	51	1	2												
25				5	25	13	1								25	26	5	48	1	2												
26				1	19	16	5	1	1						26	27	4	50	1	2												
27				1	13	17	11	5							27	28	1	33	7	4	1											
28					2	11	14	4	1						28	29	4	26	6	2	1											
29					4	14	12	2	2						29	30	6	5	6	2	1											
30						7	12	11	3						30	31	1	34	8	1	1											
31						2	10	10	6						31	32	2	36	13	6	2											
32							1	3	13	9	2				32	33	1	31	7	6	2											
33							2	8	5	4	4	4	4	3	33	34	1	28	12	5	4											
34							1	1	4	5	9	5	3	28	34	2	30	10	4	4	2											
35								1	3	1	4	9	3	20	35	3	31	13	7	7	1											
36									1	5	3	16	5	30	36	1	32	9	12	9	1											
37									1	2	15	3	21	37	1	37	1	30	3	30	3	1										
38									1	1	19	1	22	38	1	38	1	30	3	30	2	33										
39										1	10	10	39	39	1	39	1	23	3	27	3	27										
40										10	1	11	40	40	10	40	1	31	6	37	1	31										
41											5	5	41	41	5	41	5	23	1	24	1	23										
42											1	1	2	42	1	42	1	15	2	17	1	15										
43											1	3	4	43	1	43	1	5	5	5	5	5										
44												1	44	44	1	44	1	45	3	3	3	3										
total:	2	1	3	14	75	82	67	39	35	22	19	25	98	46	528	46	47	1	1	1	1	1	1									
																		2	6	5	24	46	80	42	34	27	32	24	195	34	574	

Table 18 - Redfish (*Sebastodes* spp) age composition (x 10E-4).

Table 19 - Greenland halibut (*Reinhardtius hippoglossoides*) catch (Kg) by strata.

stratum	area	tow number	catch per tow		catch per	
	squa. miles		mean	s.deviat.	mile towed mean	s.deviat.
1 -	342	4	-	-	-	-
2 -	838	9	0.10	0.29	0.06	0.17
3 -	628	7	0.16	0.42	0.09	0.23
4 -	348	4	-	-	-	-
5 -	703	8	-	-	-	-
6 -	496	6	0.40	0.63	0.23	0.35
7 -	822	9	1.04	1.56	0.52	0.73
8 -	646	7	1.31	1.82	0.71	0.98
9 -	314	3	2.29	1.92	1.24	1.04
10 -	951	11	0.68	1.21	0.45	0.91
11 -	806	9	0.34	0.62	0.21	0.38
12 -	670	7	5.85	4.65	3.17	2.55
13 -	249	2	11.60	14.28	6.46	8.03
14 -	602	6	7.07	6.41	3.48	2.87
15 -	666	8	10.24	7.44	5.82	4.20
16 -	634	7	53.05	34.85	29.61	19.30
17 -	216	2	8.14	1.99	4.34	1.10
18 -	210	2	28.86	30.17	17.79	18.87
19 -	414	2	31.88	9.02	18.29	5.22
total		10555	113			
				catch per		
				tow		mile towed
				7.22	4.06	
				1.00	0.57	
				(Kg)		

Table 20 - Greenland halibut (*Reinhardtius hippoglossoides*) length frequency (x 10E-3).

sex			sex			sex		
length	Ind	M	length	Ind	M	length	Ind	M
1 -			29 -			57 -		14 99
2 -			30 -		6	58 -		14 55
3 -			31 -			59 -		13 48
4 -			32 -		22	60 -		35
5 -			33 -		15 28	61 -		7 44
6 -			34 -	7	27 7	62 -	7	7 27
7 -			35 -		7 41	63 -		15
8 -			36 -		41 51	64 -		14
9 -			37 -		37 79	65 -		8 24
10 -			38 -		63 123	66 -		14
11 -			39 -		20 93	67 -		14
12 -			40 -		90 119	68 -		9
13 -			41 -		65 81	69 -		6
14 -	9		42 -		114 132	70 -		7
15 -			43 -		72 138	71 -		8
16 -			44 -		85 206	72 -		17
17 -		7	45 -		92 235	73 -		
18 -			46 -		81 223	74 -		7
19 -		7	47 -		99 222	75 -		
20 -		7	48 -	6	92 237	76 -		
21 -			49 -	6	99 233	77 -		
22 -			50 -	7	103 218	78 -		
23 -			51 -		70 217	79 -		
24 -			52 -		67 191	80 -		
25 -		7	53 -		35 144	81 -		
26 -			54 -	6	58 233	82 -		
27 -			55 -		69 143	83 -		9
28 -			56 -		20 96	84 -		

Table 21 - Shrimp catch (Kg) by strata.

stratum	area	tow number	catch per tow		catch per mile towed	
	squa. miles		mean	s.deviat.	mean	s.deviat.
1 -	342	4	-	-	-	-
2 -	838	9	-	-	-	-
3 -	628	7	-	-	-	-
4 -	348	4	-	-	-	-
5 -	703	8	-	-	-	-
6 -	496	6	0.04	0.08	0.02	0.04
7 -	822	9	3.48	6.77	1.90	3.72
8 -	646	7	0.96	1.62	0.50	0.84
9 -	314	3	1.02	1.76	0.55	0.96
10 -	951	11	2.67	5.49	1.84	4.38
11 -	806	9	1.75	3.01	0.93	1.69
12 -	670	7	6.30	4.76	3.38	2.49
13 -	249	2	2.25	0.78	1.21	0.37
14 -	602	6	9.12	4.27	4.72	2.11
15 -	666	8	11.32	5.72	6.50	3.44
16 -	634	7	5.09	4.81	2.95	2.84
17 -	216	2	-	-	-	-
18 -	210	2	-	-	-	-
19 -	414	2	0.13	0.18	0.07	0.11
total	10555	113				
			catch per tow		catch per mile towed	
general mean (Y)			2.74		1.53	
standard error of Y			0.34		0.21	

Table 22 - Shrimp length frequency by strata (x 10E-4).

length (cm)	stratum												total
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			
16.5-					8								8
17.0-				2									2
17.5-			2	8	16								26
18.0-	20	5		50	8	11		11					105
18.5-	50	10	8	81	8	60	3	41	20				281
19.0-	128	39	28	178	67	156	9	94	49	22			772
19.5-	332	106	12	324	92	346	16	397	265	61			1955
20.0-	587	121	35	363	134	546	43	709	519	203			3265
20.5-	653	184	47	509	209	763	80	838	708	222			4220
21.0-	450	136	32	452	142	626	81	989	626	260			3798
21.5-	259	49	20	306	159	460	42	601	304	222			2425
22.0-	188	39	8	159	134	317	24	304	198	91			1465
22.5-	72	29	4	55	159	102	5	111	59	34			632
23.0-	140	10	4	38	92	49	5	52	70	19			477
23.5-	31	5		38	59	35	8	86	80	19			361
24.0-	66	15	8	45	67	39	11	106	175	49			581
24.5-	96	24	12	102	25	36	12	155	307	53			823
25.0-	195	24	4	95	50	66	24	195	552	89			1296
25.5-	150	10	16	117	33	149	33	163	453	139			1265
26.0-	96	24	16	131	17	173	29	210	570	145			1412
26.5-	76	19	24	75	8	216	29	173	590	190			1403
27.0-	30	15	16	28	17	163	30	170	430	181			1082
27.5-	43		4	28	17	101	17	120	359	123			811
28.0-	22	5	8	3		142	21	164	230	90			686
28.5-		5	4	10	8	56	15	61	180	127			467
29.0-			12	8	8	137	23	119	118	138			564
29.5-	20					28	10	79	223	96			456
30.0-	11		8			28	2	78	146	89			363
30.5-						14	3	11	69	101			199
31.0-							2	26	90	77			195
31.5-						3	15	18	76	112			
32.0-									18	34			52
32.5-									15	27			42
33.0-									8	8			16
33.5-									12	11			23
34.0-									4				4
34.5-									4	8			12

Table 23 - Shrimp length frequency by sex (x 10E-4).

Sex	I	M	F
length			
16.5 -		8	
17.0 -		2	
17.5 -		26	
18.0 -		105	
18.5 -		281	
19.0 -		772	
19.5 -		1951	4
20.0 -		3255	10
20.5 -		4171	49
21.0 -		3713	85
21.5 -		2200	225
22.0 -		1104	361
22.5 -		263	369
23.0 -		199	278
23.5 -		134	227
24.0 -		210	371
24.5 -		239	584
25.0 -		318	978
25.5 -		233	1032
26.0 -		252	1160
26.5 -		205	1198
27.0 -		170	912
27.5 -		124	687
28.0 -			686
28.5 -			467
29.0 -		11	553
29.5 -		11	445
30.0 -			363
30.5 -			199
31.0 -			195
31.5 -			112
32.0 -			52
32.5 -			42
33.0 -			16
33.5 -			23
34.0 -			4
34.5 -			12
35.0 -			
35.5 -			

Table 24 - Squid (Illex illecebrosus) sampling length frequency.

length	length	
10.5 -	18.0 -	146
11.0 -	18.5 -	103
11.5 -	19.0 -	60
12.0 -	19.5 -	47
12.5 -	20.0 -	8
13.0 -	20.5 -	10
13.5 -	21.0 -	5
14.0 -	21.5 -	2
14.5 -	22.0 -	2
15.0 -	22.5 -	1
15.5 -	23.0 -	1
16.0 -	23.5 -	
16.5 -	24.0 -	
17.0 -	24.5 -	
17.5 -	25.0 -	1