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PART I.

Research carried out by AtlantNIRO in NAFO Subarea 4

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A. Status of the Fisheries

In 2002 Russian silver hake fishery was carried out by one mid-tonnage vessel (TSM) southwards of SMGL during March-June inclusive mainly in Div. 4W. The mean catch per fishing day amounted to 30.6, 32.6, 25.6 и 20.9 t in March, April, May and June respectively, while the total catch according to preliminary data was about 2300 t. Judging from the fishery results, the dense hake aggregations at the slope of the Nova Scotia shelf retained actually during the whole period.

Apparently in 2004 a noticeable reduction of fishable hake biomass should be expected as compared to the level of 2002, since according to Canadian survey data (DFO, 2002), and oceanographic researches carried out by AtlantNIRO, the year-classes of 2000, 2001 and 2002 constituting the fishery basis, are assessed as weak or at least average in size.

B. Special Researches

1. Environmental researches

a) Hydrographic studies

In 2002 monitoring of sea surface temperatures at 13 selected points located on the shelf of Labrador, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and adjacent ocean areas (Fig.1) and of hydrological fronts dynamics from the area southwards of the New England shelf and Nova Scotia shelf between 55° and 70° W was continued.

The analysis of mean monthly SST anomalies evidences that during most part of the year water temperature in the adjacent areas of the Labrador Sea and North-Atlantic current were higher than long-term mean for 1977-1996, but lower than in 2001 (points 2, 3, 5 on Fig. 1). In some locations of the Labrador Current (points 1, 4, 6) the seasonal trend of temperature was of unsustainable sinuosity pattern with fluctuations above and below the norm. During most months SST in these areas was lower than in 2001. Eastwards of the Grand Bank and northwards of Flemish Cape Bank (points 7, 8) mean monthly SST values either exceeded the norm or were close to the long-term

mean. In the shallow area of the Grand Bank (point 9) SST was close to the norm and similar to that of 2001 both in the seasonal trend pattern and in value. During 2002 both positive and negative SST anomalies were observed in the eastern self of the Nova Scotia (point 10). Similar to 2001 SST reduction was observed in this area from January to May with subsequent increase up to August and gradual decrease by December. At the same time mean monthly SST in winter and spring exceeded the level of 2001, while summer and autumn values were significantly lower than in 2001. On the contrary, at the Scotian shelf slope and seawards in the Slope water mass (points 11, 12) SST values were mostly higher than long-term mean and higher than in 2001. In the area near the Gulf Stream front (point 13) mean monthly SST were higher than the norm and close to these in 2001, while in winter period these significantly exceeded the level of 2001. Therefore, sea surface temperature in the most areas selected remains higher than the norm or close to it. At the same time the trend to SST reduction continues on the shelf.

In 2002 the boundaries of 3 water masses (the Cool shelf water mass, the Slope water mass, and the Northern edge of Gulf Stream front) were most often shifted northwards of their mean monthly location, with the exception of the Gulf Stream front in the area of 'New England' (66°-70°W), where its northern boundary was shifted southwards of the mid-line during the year.

The more detailed description of hydrological conditions in 2002 will be presented in a special report.

C. Miscellaneous Studies

The analysis of TAC value correspondence to the status of the following stocks - 2+3KLMNO Greenland halibut, 3M beaked redfish, 3LNO American plaice, 3LNO yellowtail flounder, 2J3KL, 3NO, 3M cod and 4VWX silver hake – was carried out. The series of TACs, abundance indices of trawling surveys and estimates based on the analytical methods for the period 1973 - 2000 inclusive were used as the basic data. Introduction of the stock status categories compared to the actual TACs in respective years became the methodic basis of the retrospective analysis. In most cases the correlation between the values considered was weak. This required searching the ways of TAC accuracy improvement in terms of their better correspondence to the fish population status.

The results allowed to propose a new approach for TAC prediction a year in advance, based on the conservative property of the stock status categories and conventionally named the “Conservative Approach” (CA) The examples were presented of the latter application in practice and the terms of this application were determined. It could be assumed that if appropriate terms are observed, CA application will reduce probability of gross errors in TAC assessment for a year in advance.

A detailed description of the researches performed is presented in SCR Doc., submitted to this Scientific Council meeting.

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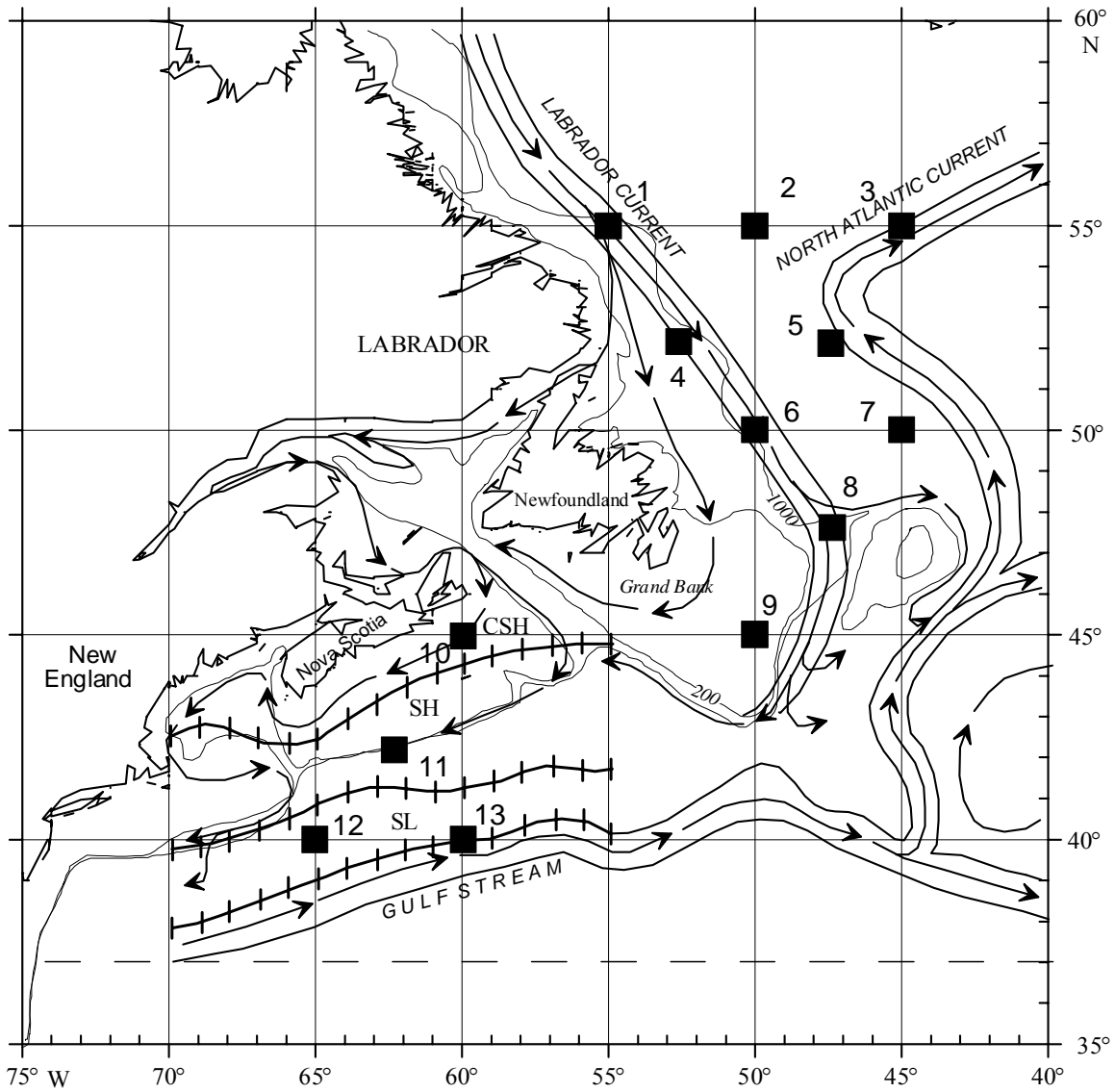


Fig.1. Map of SST monitoring at 13 points and water masses boundaries dynamics in the Labrador Current system and Gulf Stream. CSH – the Cold shelf water mass, SH – the Warm shelf water mass, SL – the Slope water mass.

Part II - Research carried out by PINRO in NAFO Subareas 1, 2, 3 and 4

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Subareas 1 and 2

A. Status of fishery

Greenland halibut. In 2002, in the area of the West Greenland, Russian quota for Greenland halibut amounted to 1100 t. The fishery was executed at 700-1500 m depth, from August to December.

Participating in fishery were three trawlers and one long-liner. The mean daily catch rate of the trawlers was about 8 t, of the long-liner – 0.5 t.

According to the preliminary data, in the area, the total catch of halibut equaled to 933 t (Table 1).

Redfish. In Divs. 1F, 2J, Russian fishery of pelagic beaked redfish was carried out in July-October, at the depth of 240-380 m. It was executed by 1-7 vessels of the different types. The vessels operated with the highest catch rate in August-September, when the catch amounted to 20.5-22.0 t per a fishing-day. According to the preliminary data, in the NAFO Regulatory Area, the total catch of pelagic redfish was estimated at 7677 t, of which 2857 t were caught in Div. 2J.

The other fish species. There was no specialized fishery of the other fish species. The by-catch of grenadier, skate and wolffishes in specialized fishery of halibut was equal to 1%.

B. Special Investigations

Greenland halibut. Biological data were collected by one fishing vessel from 13 August to 6 September. In Div. 1A, the halibut length varied from 20 to 100 cm, the mean length of males amounted to 45.4 cm, of females – to 51.2 cm (Table 2). In catches, the modal length of individuals was 38-46 cm, with the sex ratio of 1:1. In Div. 1D, recorded were the larger halibut, as long as 28-105 cm, with 49.2 cm average size of males and 56.8 cm – of females and the modal length of 44-50 cm. The number of males was greater than females in 1.8 times.

In Divs. 1AD, halibut age varied from 2 to 18 years, the individuals aged 5-7 years prevailed (Table 3).

Investigated fish were, mainly, immature.

Redfish. While fishing, the biological data on beaked redfish in Div. 1F, 2J were collected by the specialists from PINRO working as NAFO observers aboard the five fishing vessels.

The length of 56 193 individuals was measured, feeding and maturity of 5 076 fish were analyzed, the age of 890 specimens was determined. In Div. 1F, in the catches, the redfish length varied from 23 to 45 cm, the average one equaled to 34.5 cm (Table 4). The bulk of the catches was made up by the individuals 34-36 cm in length, at the age of 13-15 years (Table 5). The sex ratio was 1.3:1. About 11% of fish were immature. The redfish fed moderately. The mean index of stomach fullness amounted to 1.1. The food ration, primarily, consisted of zooplankton: *Calanus* and *Themisto*.

In Div. 2J, the mean length of the redfish was equal to 34.6 cm. Catches were, mainly, consisted of the individuals as long as 34-36 cm, aged 13-15. The sex ratio was 1.9:1. The portion of immature fish amounted to 18%. The

redfish fed moderately. Mean index of stomach fullness was estimated at 1.1. Predominating in feeding were *Calanus*, euphausiids, *Themisto*.

Subarea 3

A. Status of fishery

Greenland halibut. In 2002, in Div. 3LMNO, the Russian Greenland halibut quota amounted to 4 157 t. During the year, 1-6 vessels performed specialized fishery. Halibut occurred in by-catches while harvesting redfishes, skates and red hake. In 2002, the Russian catch of Greenland halibut amounted to 3 482 t (Table 1).

The fleet operated in the continental shelf areas adjacent to the deep-water Flemish Pass (Div. 3L and the adjacent areas) at the depth of 300-1 800 m. The average catch rate was equaled to 0.3 t of halibut per a fishing hour. In that area, 89% of halibut caught were taken. Occurred in the catches were: grenadiers – 3, redfishes – 3, red hake – 2, American plaice – 1, skates – 1 and other fish species – 1%.

Redfish. In 2002, on the Flemish Cap Bank, the specialized fishery of redfishes took place from May to August. The Russian vessels fished redfish on the south and south-west slopes of the bank, at the depth of 300-550 m. The main catch of redfish was taken in July. On the whole, in the period of fishery, the catch rate of the vessels ranged from 7.8 t to 10.6 t per a fishing day. The by-catches were made up by Greenland halibut, American plaice, cod and wolffishes. According to the preliminary data, the catch of redfish was estimated at 1 155 t.

In Div. 3O, redfish were fished from January to December. Vessels worked at 300-600 m depth. Red hake, American plaice and cod prevailed in by-catches while harvesting redfish. As a whole, in the period of fishery, the catch rate of the vessels ranged from 16.5 t to 21.0 t per a fishing day. In compliance with the preliminary data, the total catch of redfish equaled to 11 182 t.

Skates. In Divs. 3NO, specialized fishery of skates was executed by the two vessels (1 000-2 000 kW). The main catch was taken in Div. 3N at 50-200 m depth. Thorny skate (*Raja radiata*) was a main object to be fished. In Div. 3NO, the total catch of skates was estimated at 3 052 t. As a whole, in a specialized fishery, the catch rate amounted to 22.3 t per a fishing day.

In Div. 3LM, the skates were only registered as by-catches in fishing halibut.

By preliminary data, in Div. 3LMNO, the total catch of skates was estimated at 3 165 t.

White hake. In Div. 3O, specialized fishery for the white hake took place from June to October. The two vessels (1 000-2 000 kW) worked at 140-400 m depth. As a whole, in the period of fishery, the capacity of the amounted to 15.2 t per a fishing day. In Div. 3O, the preliminary catch of the white hake was equal to 1 060 t.

Other fish species. There was no specialized fishery for the other fish species. During the specialized fisheries the by-catch of the other fish species equaled to 1-10%.

B. Special Investigations

Hydrographic observations were made aboard RV “Remøyfjord”. In all, 31 hydrographic stations were made within the depth range of 130-1075 m (Fig. 1).

Vertical distribution of water temperature in the section along 47°N (Fig. 2) shows the variation of temperature within the range from 5°C at the surface to 3.5°C at 100-150 m depth. In the section, the bottom temperature fluctuated from 3.4°C to 3.9°C. The salinity varied from 34.3 in the surface layers to 34.9 near the bottom and at the depth of over 400 m (Fig. 2).

In the surface layer, water temperature gradually increased from the north-west (3.0°C) to the south-east (6.7°C) (Fig. 3). Salinity distribution on the surface was of more complicated character due to the precipitation and winds.

On the surface, the salinity varied within the range of 33.6-34.5. The waters with higher salinity were located in the eastern area (Fig. 3).

At 100 m horizon, as well as on the surface, the temperature increased from the north-west (2.7°C) to the south-east (4.8°C) (Fig. 3). There, the minimal values of salinity were registered in the central area of the bank.

In the bottom layer, the variations of temperature were negligible – from 3.3°C to 3.9°C. At every station with the depth of over 900 m, the bottom temperature was 3.3-3.5°C. The minimal values of salinity – 34.4 -were recorded in the shallow bank, at the depth of under 200 m.

The comparative analysis of water temperature distribution in the Flemish Cap area for 2002 and 2001 showed the following peculiarities:

- in 0-50 m, 0-100 m, 0-200 m layers, to the north of 47°N, the mean temperature was higher by 0.2-0.6°C, than in 2001;
- in the section along 47°N, water temperature and salinity practically remained unchanged in all the layers;
- in the section along 46°30', in 0-50m, 0-100 m, 0-200 m, the water temperature was higher by 1.9-2.2°C, than in 2001, the salinity – lower, than the last year one by 0.3-0.4;
- in the layers under 300 m, the values of temperature and salinity negligibly differed from the last year ones;
- in the bottom layer, over all the bank area, the values of water temperature and salinity, practically, remained unchanged;
- in 2002, found was the lack of the zone with higher horizontal gradients of temperature and salinity, which was recorded from the surface to 300m horizon in the southern part of the bank in 2001.

In the period from 31 May to 10 June 2002, the multispecies trawl research survey was conducted aboard RV “Remøyfjord” in Div. 3M. In Div. 3LMNO, in the fishery, the biological information was collected by the observers from PINRO aboard the fishing vessels.

Length and age composition of bottom fish species mentioned in the present paper relate to measured individuals from the catches.

Greenland halibut. In Div. 3M, the stock status was estimated by the results from the trawl research survey in May-June. The halibut occurred in the catches at 127-1280 m depth. In the strata surveyed with the area of 15.8×10^2 sq.miles, the index of abundance was equal to 10.1×10^6 ind., the biomass – to 9.8×10^3 t.

In April-May and in June-September, aboard one of the fishing vessels, conducted were the investigations to estimate a comparative selectivity of the trawl bags with 130, 136, 145 and 149 mm mesh size in the fishery for Greenland halibut.

In Div. 3LMNO, in the catch of fishing vessels, occurred was the halibut 12-96 cm in length with the average one of 44.4 cm (Tables 6-9). Individuals from 42-44 cm length groups, aged 6-7, from the 1995-1996 year-classes, prevailed (Table 10). Small immature fish made up the bulk of the catch. The by-catch of the undersized halibut (30 cm) was less than 0.9%.

Roughhead grenadier. The species was one of the most abundant by-catch object in the fishery for Greenland halibut. In Div. 3L, in the catch, the total length of the roughhead grenadier varied from 24 to 90 cm, the mean length was equal to 42.8 cm (Table 11).

In Div. 3M, the roughhead grenadier with the length of 27-90 cm occurred. In Div. 3N, the fish length varied from 24 to 84 cm.

As a whole, in Divs. 3LMNO, the bulk of catches was made up by fish 39-45 cm in length.

Redfish. In Div. 3L, while fishing halibut, in by-catch,, the length of redfish varied from 19 to 45 cm, the mean length was 31.1 cm (Table 12). Predominating were the individuals with the length of 31-33 cm.

By the results from the trawl research survey conducted in May-June 2002, on the Flemish Cap Bank, the total abundance of redfishes from genus *Sebastes* amounted to 71.2×10^6 individuals, the biomass – to 7.8×10^3 t. The research was performed in the area of 15 760 miles² to 1280 m depth, according to the area stratification adopted by NAFO.

In Div. 3M, the redfish size distribution combining the data on by-catch and from the special fishery, fluctuated from 8 to 41 cm (Table 13), fish age varied from 2 to 16 (Table 14). The bulk of catch was made up by fish 28-30 cm in length.

The length distribution of redfish from Div. 3N was characterized by fish 17-44 cm in length with the mean size of 30.0 cm (Table 15). Redfish with the length of 33-35 cm predominated in catch.

In Div. 3O, redfish length varied from 11 to 52 cm, the average size was 24.1 cm (Table 16). Fish as long as 23-24 cm, aged 7-8, made up the bulk of catch (Table 17).

American plaice. Table 18 presents the length characteristics of American plaice by divisions.

In Div. 3L, American plaice length distribution was characterized by fish as long as 25-54 cm. The individuals 38-39 cm in size prevailed.

In Div. 3N, fish length fluctuated from 22 to 70 cm, the average one was 42.0 cm.

In Div. 3O, when fishing skate, the length distribution of American plaice varied from 22 to 72 cm, the mean length equaled to 40.3 cm. The individuals 42-43 cm in length were predominating.

In Subarea 3, the American plaice with 30-72 cm length occurred.

Witch flounder. The length of fish caught in Divs. 3LMNO varied from 22 to 58 cm, the mean size was 39.6 cm (Table 19). The bulk of catch was made up by fish 38-39 cm in length.

Yellowtail flounder. Biological data were collected in the period of fishing skates, in Div. 3N. The length of caught fish varied from 24 to 55 cm, the mean length was 36.8 cm (Table 20). Fish 36-39 cm in size were predominating in catches.

Cod. In Div. 3L, in the by-catch to halibut, the length of cod fluctuated from 27 to 87 cm, the mean length was equal to 46.5 cm (Table 21). Mature individuals with 42-49 cm length prevailed in catch.

On the Flemish Cap Bank, a negligible number of cod 42-102 cm in length was taken in the fishery for redfish.

The largest cod were registered in Div. 3N. The length distribution varied from 33 to 123 cm, the average size was 60.5 cm.

In Div. 3O, the cod length varied from 30 to 135 cm, the average length was 56.4 cm. The individuals with 51-55 cm length made up the bulk of catch.

Red hake. This fish occurred in by-catch in special fishery for halibut. The length of fish investigated in Div. 3L fluctuated from 21 to 51 cm, the average one was 36.7 cm (Table 22). Catch was, mainly, represented by individuals with 33-38 cm size.

In Div. 3M, the length of fish was from 15 to 48 cm.

White hake. The main catch of that species was taken in Div. 3O. In the area, fish length fluctuated from 18 to 108 cm, the mean one was equal to 49.9 cm (Table 23). Individuals with the length of 45-50 cm made up the bulk of the catch.

Thorny skate. They occurred in catch in every division and layer. In Div. 3L, the length of skate varied from 30 to 96 cm, the average length equaled to 50.3 cm (Table 24).

In Div. 3N, the length of taken individuals varied from 30 to 102 cm with the mean one of 57.5 cm. In the catch, the individuals 51-59 cm in length were prevailing.

In Div. 3O, the length of thorny skate fluctuated from 36 to 93 cm, the mean one equaled to 61.5 cm.

Spinytail skate. In Div. 3LMNO, the fish length fluctuated from 39 to 177 cm under the average one of 82.7 cm (Table 25).

Other fish species. In the period of fishery, the by-catch was represented by halibut, common grenadier, wolffishes, roundnose grenadier, spiny eels, longfin cods and others.

Subarea 4

A. State of fishery

Silver hake. In March-June, the one trawler fished silver hake on the commercial quota of a Canadian company. The vessel operated in Div. 4W at 100-300 m depth. Mean daily catch rate was 28.7 tons. The portion of hake in catches attained 99-100%. Herrings, spiny dogfish, alewife, red hake and butterfish occurred in by-catch. The catch of silver hake in Div. 4W was preliminarily estimated as 2499 tons (Table 1).

B. Special Investigations

No environmental research or hydrographic observations were conducted.

Biological data in Div. 4W were collected by a PINRO observer working onboard a fishing vessel.

Silver hake. The length of silver hake in Div. 4W ranged from 19 to 39 cm. Mean length was 26.5 cm (Table 26). The fishery was based on aggregations of mature fish, the percentage of which was 78 %.

TABLE 1. Preliminary data on catch taken by Russian trawlers in NAFO SA 1-4 in 2002.

Species	Division	Catch, t
Greenland halibut	1A	273
	1C	98
	1D	562
	1ACD	933
	3L	2912
	3M	188
	3N	369
	3O	13
	3LMNO	3482
Atlantic halibut	3L	1
	3N	6
	3O	6
	3LMNO	13
American plaice	3L	49
	3M	4
	3N	159
	3O	192
	3LMNO	404
Yellowtail flounder	3N	101
	3O	2
	3LNO	103
Witch flounder	3L	15
	3M	4
	3N	36
	3O	76
	3LMNO	131
Grenadier spp.	3L	146
	3M	13
	3N	68
	3O	1
	3LMNO	228
Redfish spp.	1F	4820
	2J	2857
	1F2J	7677
	3L	94
	3M	1155
	3N	25
	3O	11182
	3LMNO	12456
	Skate	3L
3M		8
3N		2731
3O		321
3LMNO		3165
Atlantic cod	3L	3
	3M	1
	3N	112
	3O	226
	3LMNO	342
Haddock	3N	5
	3O	25
	3NO	30
Wolffish spp.	3L	7
	3MN	32
	3O	13
	3LMNO	52
Red hake	3L	72
	3M	9
	3N	93
	3O	46
	3LMNO	220
White hake	3O	1060
Silver hake	4W	2499

TABLE 2. Length composition of Greenland halibut trawl catch (no. of indivs.) in NAFO Div. 1AD in 2002.

Length, cm	Div. 1A			Div. 1D			Divs. 1AD		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
20	9	11	20				9	11	20
22									
24		11	11					11	11
26	31		31				31		31
28	19	28	47	7		7	26	28	54
30	47	9	56		20	20	47	29	76
32	69	52	121	39	7	46	108	59	167
34	170	69	239	7	14	21	177	83	260
36	105	86	191	171	65	236	276	151	427
38	244	209	453	341	115	456	585	324	909
40	393	196	589	871	378	1249	1264	574	1838
42	478	291	769	1567	563	2130	2045	854	2899
44	376	252	628	2469	837	3306	2845	1089	3934
46	300	317	617	3225	1163	4388	3525	1480	5005
48	204	135	339	3064	1016	4080	3268	1151	4419
50	101	234	335	2825	1057	3882	2926	1291	4217
52	136	124	260	2036	827	2863	2172	951	3123
54	101	128	229	1795	822	2617	1896	950	2846
56	41	129	170	812	387	1199	853	516	1369
58		72	72	517	333	850	517	405	922
60	28	129	157	380	449	829	408	578	986
62	39	93	132	234	363	597	273	456	729
64	77	77	154	195	360	555	272	437	709
66	39	9	48	129	307	436	168	316	484
68	42	20	62	86	230	316	128	250	378
70	22	86	108	66	262	328	88	348	436
72	30	53	83	7	268	275	37	321	358
74	9	33	42	28	196	224	37	229	266
76	19	22	41		130	130	19	152	171
78		33	33		217	217		250	250
80	11	30	41		144	144	11	174	185
82		51	51		141	141		192	192
84		18	18		96	96		114	114
86		33	33		147	147		180	180
88					54	54		54	54
90		19	19		109	109		128	128
92					75	75		75	75
94		9	9		84	84		93	93
96					34	34		34	34
98					45	45		45	45
100					21	21		21	21
102					22	22		22	22
104					6	6		6	6
Total	3140	3068	6208	20871	11364	32235	24011	14432	38443
Av. length, cm	45.4	51.2	48.3	49.2	56.8	51.9	48.7	55.6	51.3

TABLE 3. Age composition of Greenland halibut trawl catch (no. of indivs.) in NAFO Div. 1AD in 2002.

Length, cm	Age																		Weight, g		
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	NN			
20	2																		2	51.5	
22																					
24		2																	2	92.5	
26		5																	5	106.0	
28		13																	13	138.3	
30		10	8																18	173.9	
32		9	14																23	249.0	
34			45																45	299.5	
36			54	32															86	324.7	
38			51	111															162	464.1	
40				277	18														295	539.1	
42				231	231														462	637.2	
44				153	458														611	714.7	
46				48	624	96													768	780.6	
48					333	333													666	999.6	
50					33	597													630	1144.5	
52					49	394	25												468	1240.0	
54					29	257	143												428	1349.7	
56						66	144												210	1563.1	
58							22	55	66	11									153	1798.9	
60								26	103	17									146	2077.1	
62								9	51	60									120	2287.9	
64								7	51	59									117	2425.0	
66								10	5	60	10								85	2820.0	
68									4	36	36								76	3029.7	
70											57	7	4						68	3453.7	
72										5	32	23							59	3984.6	
74											29	12	3						44	4132.0	

Table 3. continued.

76											10	17	3							30	3903.9	
78											10	21	5								36	4664.3
80												16	16								31	5775.0
82												4	21	7							32	5695.6
84												9	14	3							26	6464.4
86													12	14							26	7303.3
88												1	1	7	3						13	7967.8
90														5	11	3					19	8550.0
92														6		6					11	8655.0
94														3	5	9					17	10949.0
96															3	1	1				5	10415.0
98															3	2	2				6	10965.0
100															1	2			1		4	11720.0
102																			1	2	3	12303.3
104																			1		1	13125.0
Total	2	39	171	852	1776	1764	418	280	247	185	108	79	46	25	21	5	3	6022				
%	0.0	0.7	2.8	14.1	29.5	29.3	6.9	4.7	4.1	3.1	1.8	1.3	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	100.0				

TABLE 4. Length composition of Redfish (indiv.) in catches by Russian travelers in the NAFO Div. 1F, 2J in 2002.

Length Cm	NAFO Div.						Total		
	1 F			2 J			Males	Females	Total
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total			
23	4	3	7	-	-	-	4	3	7
24	17	12	29	-	-	-	17	12	29
25	62	69	131	-	-	-	62	69	131
26	140	122	262	-	2	2	140	124	264
27	322	263	585	3	2	5	325	265	590
28	497	431	928	6	9	15	503	440	943
29	706	477	1183	15	12	27	721	489	1210
30	1111	818	1929	25	11	36	1136	829	1965
31	1527	1015	2542	32	25	57	1559	1040	2599
32	2332	1311	3643	35	16	51	2367	1327	3694
33	4028	1529	5557	85	18	103	4113	1547	5660
34	5828	2047	7875	100	26	126	5928	2073	8001
35	6459	3211	9670	110	23	133	6569	3234	9803
36	3924	3705	7629	78	48	126	4002	3753	7755
37	2499	3863	6362	49	52	101	2548	3915	6463
38	1387	2718	4105	27	41	68	1414	2759	4173
39	604	1265	1869	13	14	27	617	1279	1896
40	173	531	704	7	8	15	180	539	719
41	54	158	212	2	4	6	56	162	218
42	13	40	53	1	3	4	14	43	57
43	2	6	8	-	-	-	2	6	8
44	1	5	6	-	-	-	1	5	6
45	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
No	31691	23600	55291	588	314	902	32279	23914	56193
Average length, cm	34,1	35,1	34,5	34,3	35,2	34,6	34,3	35,4	34,8

TABLE 5. Redfish age composition (indiv.) in the NAFO Div. 1F, 2J in 2002.

Age, Years	NAFO Div.						Total		
	1 F			2 J			Males	Females	Total
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total			
6	8	7	15	-	-	-	8	7	15
7	231	202	433	1	2	3	232	204	436
8	469	428	897	4	7	11	473	435	908
9	591	341	932	9	7	16	600	348	948
10	1114	686	1800	24	15	39	1138	701	1839
11	2516	1719	4235	47	32	79	2563	1751	4314
12	4434	2559	6993	83	32	115	4517	2591	7108
13	8176	2317	10493	147	27	174	8323	2344	10667
14	6312	4619	10931	113	48	161	6425	4667	11092
15	6003	6517	12520	116	83	199	6119	6600	12719
16	1191	2692	3883	24	38	62	1215	2730	3945
17	569	1364	1933	15	18	33	584	1382	1966
18	72	130	202	3	5	8	75	135	210
19	4	12	16	-	-	-	4	12	16
20	1	4	5	-	-	-	1	4	5
21	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Total	31692	23598	55290	586	314	900	32278	23912	56190

TABLE 6. Greenland halibut length composition (no. of individuals) of the Russian trawlers catch by months in the NAFO Div. 3L in 2002.

Length, cm													Total 3L	
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII		
20							2							2
22				1		2	10							13
24		3		1		6	20	5						35
26		7	3	3	6	15	41	9	2					86
28	14	86	38	5	6	27	57	13			7	9		262
30	35	228	159	30	50	42	92	28			35	17		716
32	72	490	358	76	170	124	195	48	19	3	28	24		1607
34	90	517	407	150	330	211	300	110	40	5	141	41		2342
36	171	776	554	153	470	310	363	192	78	7	174	110		3358
38	295	1286	774	361	748	446	480	258	122	24	223	169		5186
40	415	1757	1109	577	1115	562	663	332	205	45	324	281		7385
42	478	1773	1026	675	1410	675	758	330	229	66	253	245		7918
44	484	1554	951	696	1371	676	698	226	251	132	248	235		7522
46	409	1240	696	503	1310	497	446	172	200	142	155	222		5992
48	280	823	522	340	914	408	341	107	146	122	72	112		4187
50	218	532	374	261	714	349	237	68	87	95	23	62		3020
52	104	289	177	138	436	190	130	34	42	81	25	25		1671
54	63	132	92	73	273	119	96	15	27	44	5	10		949
56	18	54	56	32	167	78	46	8	17	19	2	4		501
58	10	27	27	19	83	33	21		8	28		1		257
60	8	24	15	12	58	25	16	3	1	10		2		174
62	4	11	17	6	50	16	11		3	10	1	1		130
64	6	9	6	10	26	10	7	1	1	6				82
66	3	8	1	5	22	6	3		2	3				53
68	2	4	5	2	23	1	2		1	1				41
70	2	6	6	4	14	5	3						1	41
72	4	3	7	2	10	2	1			2				31
74	1	4	1		5	2	4							17
76		2	2	1	7	3	1	1						17
78		3	4	1	8		1							17
80		4	2		6	5	2							19
82	1	2		1	4	1	2	1						12
84	1		1		2	3	1							8
86					3	4	2							9
88				2	2		3							7
90		1	1			1								3
92				1	1									2
94							3							3
96					1									1
Total	3188	11655	7391	4141	9815	4854	5058	1961	1481	845	1716	1571		53676
Av. length, cm.	43.7	42.4	42.3	43.9	44.9	43.9	42.4	41.6	44.0	48.1	41.1	42.7		43.2

TABLE 7. Greenland halibut length composition (no. of individuals) of the Russian trawlers catch by months in the NAFO Div. 3M in 2002.

Length, cm	Month								Total 3M
	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	XII	
28	1								1
30	5	2		1					8
32	9	2		10	3	1		4	29
34	14	12	10	21	6	7		1	71
36	74	10	16	31	19	7	1	7	165
38	91	23	62	47	32	19	4	12	290
40	157	55	107	101	41	64	6	48	579
42	177	41	168	174	84	141	13	83	881
44	185	16	265	221	104	223	19	98	1131
46	265	27	228	259	111	368	28	134	1420
48	247	30	227	251	119	387	35	95	1391
50	221	12	212	232	121	447	40	74	1359
52	151	4	115	140	119	403	41	46	1019
54	103	1	77	94	56	210	37	11	589
56	70	2	44	62	68	170	32	18	466
58	52	1	23	32	24	100	25	9	266
60	25		14	15	14	54	11	4	137
62	17	1	12	12	14	37	5	1	99
64	13	1	12	5	12	18	6		67
66	10	1	8	2	9	7	1		38
68	4		3	4	6	6	1		24
70	3		3	5	5	5	4	1	26
72	5		2	1	1	3			12
74	3		5	1	5	1			15
76	1		2	3	3				9
78	2		2	2	4	1			11
80			3	3	2				8
82		1	1	1	1				3
84	1		3	1	1				6
86			1	2	1				4
88					1				1
90		1	1		1				3
92			1	1					2
94									
96	1				1				2
Total	1907	243	1627	1734	987	2679	309	646	10132
Av. length, cm.	47.6	43.6	47.9	47.9	49.8	50.3	52.0	46.8	48.6

TABLE 8. Greenland halibut length composition (no. of individuals) of the Russian trawlers catch by months in the NAFO Div. 3N in 2002.

Length, cm	Month								Total 3N
	I	II	III	V	VI	VII	VIII	XI	
18			1						1
20			2						2
22		1							1
24			1	1					2
26			1	3					4
28		1	9	3	2	1		1	17
30		11	8	16	9			5	49
32	5	22	13	87	32	5	2	20	186
34	5	31	24	145	60	5	4	29	303
36	17	64	54	174	78	10	8	62	467
38	45	164	168	194	95	31	19	86	802
40	65	243	230	294	139	60	55	123	1209
42	75	348	331	345	162	104	56	172	1593
44	69	296	390	307	141	111	82	209	1605
46	68	257	409	213	136	149	93	289	1614
48	45	181	379	163	128	137	66	317	1416
50	20	118	262	133	74	137	58	263	1065
52	13	88	190	73	43	80	26	202	715
54	11	30	135	35	26	83	12	125	457
56	7	19	49	18	12	43	14	96	258
58	2	12	29	16	3	27	6	44	139
60	2	10	11	7	4	17	3	19	73
62	4	6	17	6	3	7	5	16	64
64	2		12	4	4	16	5	6	49
66	1	9	14			3	4	6	37
68		6	14	3		8	2	4	37
70		4	11	2	1	6	5	5	34
72	1	3	7	1		9	4	3	28
74	1	4	3	2	2	7	3		22
76		3	5	2		6	5	3	24
78			10		1	6	1	4	22
80		1	2	1		2	1	1	8
82		1	2	2		5		2	12
84		3	2			4		1	10
86		2	2			4			8
88			3			2			5
90			1			1	1		3
92						1	1		2
94			1						1
Total	458	1938	2802	2250	1155	1087	541	2113	12344
Av. length, cm.	44.6	44.9	47.0	43.0	43.7	50.0	47.9	47.9	46.0

TABLE 9. Greenland halibut length composition (no. of individuals) of the Russian trawlers catch by months in the NAFO Div. 3O and 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, Cm	Month											Total 3O	Total 3LMNO
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI		
12				1								1	1
14								1	1	1		3	3
16									2	3		5	5
18			1	1						1		3	4
20			4	15				1	2	2		24	28
22			7	27					4	3		41	55
24	1		2	12				3	12	18	1	49	86
26	2	1	10	4				6	13	24		60	150
28	4		14	3				5	15	18	1	60	340
30	1		13	5				1	7	21		48	821
32		1	5	1	1			4	8	12		32	1854
34	4	5	4	1				3	6	23	2	48	2764
36	4		1			1	1	3	4	15	1	30	4020
38	12	1	4	1			1	5	11	5		40	6318
40	17	5	2				8	5	4	12	1	54	9227
42	25	6	6			5	18	12	17	10		99	10491
44	22	3	3			4	22	25	14	17		110	10368
46	35	4	1		1	6	45	29	20	9		150	9176
48	25	4	4		1	7	35	28	28	10		142	7136
50	13	9	1			6	40	20	23	8	1	121	5565
52	14		3			8	26	19	21	11		102	3507
54	7	2				6	49	19	19	5		107	2102
56	4	2	2			5	12	12	10	6		53	1278
58	1	1	1		1	1	9	5	10	3		32	694
60	4	1	1			1	12	2	11	2		34	418
62	1	1	2			1	4	2	3	1		15	308
64	2	1					1	3	7	2		16	214
66	1		1			1	6	4	1	2		16	144
68	1						4	4	5	1		15	117
70			1				5	3	2			11	112
72	1						2	3	3			9	80
74							1	1	1			3	57
76								2	5			7	57
78								1	2			3	53
80							3		3	1		7	42
82							2		2			4	31
84								1	3	1		5	29
86													21
88								1				1	14
90													9
92									1			1	7
94													4
96	1											1	4
Total	202	47	93	71	4	52	306	233	300	247	7	1562	77714
Av. length, cm.	46.2	46.0	35.2	23.8	46.5	50.5	51.9	49.0	47.3	37.9	35.6	45.1	44.4

TABLE 10. Age composition of Greenland halibut catches in NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002, %.

Age	Division					3 LMNO
	3 L	3 M	3 N	3 O		
2	0.02	-	0.02	3.15		0.08
3	0.92	0.03	0.25	12.14		0.92
4	7.28	1.05	3.73	7.06		5.90
5	23.41	7.79	15.76	7.84		19.85
6	34.94	24.98	31.42	16.83		32.72
7	27.05	44.25	35.47	29.61		30.68
8	4.56	14.53	8.47	11.75		6.62
9	0.79	3.58	1.74	3.66		1.37
10	0.42	1.78	0.95	2.50		0.72
11	0.26	1.01	0.77	2.12		0.48
12	0.17	0.55	0.70	1.73		0.33
13	0.08	0.22	0.34	0.77		0.15
14	0.04	0.09	0.16	0.39		0.07
15	0.03	0.07	0.11	0.26		0.05
16	0.02	0.06	0.06	0.06		0.03
17	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.06		0.01
18	-	-	-	-		-
19	0.004	-	0.01	-		0.004
20	-	-	-	-		-
21	0.002	0.02	-	0.06		0.01
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0

TABLE 11. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Roughhead grenadier in Russian trawlers catches by NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
24	5				5
27	8	1	3	1	13
30	37	8	12	3	60
33	127	21	21	7	176
36	281	33	57	47	418
39	576	61	72	78	787
42	675	83	130	113	1001
45	544	84	146	58	832
48	373	78	197	44	692
51	191	86	148	20	445
54	140	74	169	8	391
57	77	40	121	8	246
60	68	40	77	8	193
63	50	27	40	2	119
66	33	14	29	5	81
69	32	7	17	1	57
72	32	11	7	2	52
75	30	6	8		44
78	21	5	5	1	32
81	12		4		16
84	2	2	1		5
87	2				2
90	1	1			2
Total	3317	682	1270	406	5675
Av. length, cm.	46,2	50,3	51,0	44,6	47,6

TABLE 12. Length composition of Redfish (indiv.) in catches by Russian trawlers by months. Div. 3L, 2002.

Length, cm	Month								Total
	I	II	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	
19						1			1
20							3		3
21					1	1			2
22				2	1	6	3	1	13
23	1	2	8	7	5	13	3		39
24	1	4	38	23	8	18	7		99
25	2	6	55	63	3	19	12		160
26	5	8	59	56	13	38	17	2	198
27	5	35	66	84	19	33	30	4	276
28	8	36	69	126	13	46	50	8	356
29	6	49	58	128	23	54	52	7	377
30	15	57	66	173	40	63	58	5	477
31	22	56	51	156	31	86	109	2	513
32	18	56	40	120	47	104	125	8	518
33	12	52	43	160	38	113	141	5	564
34	10	47	29	148	37	87	117	10	485
35	4	47	22	139	31	80	117	6	446
36	2	23	6	56	16	37	60	3	203
37	3	22	6	36	7	29	36	3	142
38	2	13	3	11	5	15	19	1	69
39	1	3	2	2	1	6	6	1	22
40		5	2	2	1	2	3		15
41		2	1			3	1		7
42					1	3	2		6
43		1		1		2	2		6
44		1				1		1	3
45						1	2		4
Total	117	525	624	1493	341	861	975	67	5004
Length, av., cm.	31.1	31.8	29.1	31.0	31.4	31.6	32.3	31.8	31.1

TABLE 13. Length composition of Redfish (indiv.) in catches by Russian trawlers by months. Div. 3M, 2002.

Length, cm	Month						Total
	II	III	V	VI	VII	VIII	
8						1	1
9							
10						1	1
11			1				1
12			3				3
13			5				5
14			8				8
15			11	2	2		15
16			24	3	9		36
17			28	30	28		86
18			36	64	72	1	173
19			75	137	124	5	341
20			85	201	257	18	561
21			60	151	340	31	582
22			52	121	294	53	520
23	1		53	213	311	39	617
24	3	1	52	224	483	49	812
25	4		51	293	564	65	977
26	6		51	238	676	92	1063
27	8		53	232	793	123	1209
28	18		60	297	890	165	1430
29	39	1	72	195	858	159	1324
30	42	1	83	175	843	166	1310
31	40		50	104	511	120	825
32	28	1	53	36	303	83	504
33	19		37	12	134	43	245
34	15		25	4	63	13	120
35	14		17	2	26	11	70
36	11		6		22		39
37	10		6		19	2	37
38	6		1		6	1	14
39	8				9		17
40	3				10		13
41	1				1		2
Total	276	4	1058	2734	7650	1239	12961
Length, av., cm.	31.5	28.8	25.1	25.0	26.9	28.0	26.5

TABLE 14. Redfish age composition in the NAFO Div. 3M in 2002.

Age, Years	Juveniles		Males		Females		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
2	3	27.3			17	0.3	3	0.02
3	6	54.5	4	0.1			27	0.2
4	2	18.2	142	2.3	149	2.2	293	2.3
5			477	7.6	471	7.1	948	7.3
6			616	9.8	837	12.6	1453	11.2
7			1128	18.0	841	12.6	1969	15.2
8			1256	20.0	1031	15.5	2287	17.7
9			1377	22.0	864	13.0	2241	17.3
10			778	12.4	798	12.0	1576	12.2
11			285	4.5	860	12.9	1145	8.9
12			92	1.5	508	7.6	600	4.6
13			39	0.6	137	2.1	176	1.4
14			62	1.0	33	0.5	95	0.7
15			13	0.2	71	1.1	84	0.6
16			5	0.1	36	0.5	41	0.3
Total	11	100.0	6274	100.0	6653	100.0	12938	100.0

TABLE 15. Length composition of redfish (indiv.) in catches by Russian trawlers by months. Div. 3N, 2002.

Length, Cm	Month									Total	
	I	II	III	V	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI		
17										1	1
18								2		7	9
19								3	2	17	22
20								11	7	11	29
21								23	13	14	50
22								21	44	25	90
23		2		1				44	53	26	126
24		3						51	56	28	138
25		5		1				30	36	26	98
26	1	5		3				41	29	40	119
27	3	6	1	5				23	23	32	93
28	2	3	1	10	1			27	29	36	109
29	3	11	1	19	9			17	21	26	107
30	4	11	1	19	8	2		9	20	24	98
31	7	7	6	27	25	3		5	14	36	130
32	20	10	6	43	44	25	1	18		42	209
33	19	6	9	46	76	21	3	9		36	225
34	20	15	8	48	48	39	1	2		49	230
35	13	4	4	43	60	66	1	3		48	242
36	7	6	4	36	21	44				39	157
37	13	5	3	10	22	25	1			27	106
38	12	3	4	4		15				15	53
39	7	4	1			2				6	20
40	2	1		1		2				7	13
41	1									4	5
42										2	2
43										1	1
44	1										1
Total	135	107	49	316	314	244	314	379	625	2483	
Length, av., cm.	34.2	31.4	33.6	32.9	33.5	34.9	25.0	25.7	29.8	30.3	

TABLE 16. Length composition of redfish (indiv.) in catches by Russian trawlers by months. Div. 3O, 2002.

Length, cm	Month										Total
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VIII	IX	X	XI	
11			2								2
12			2								2
13			2	1							3
14			6	2							8
15	8	3	14	15							40
16	16	24	60	16		2					118
17	54	54	80	18	2	2					210
18	124	141	274	89	16	6					650
19	237	225	421	145	40	28					1096
20	458	494	915	364	103	50					2384
21	848	760	1214	432	189	99	2		5		3549
22	1434	1240	1627	733	369	206	12	5	4	1	5631
23	1509	947	1807	587	592	541	24	6	6	2	6021
24	1696	947	1726	669	532	775	36	10	6		6397
25	1739	898	1330	390	330	521	24	6	7		5245
26	1301	632	814	282	272	571	17	8	6		3903
27	1270	623	575	212	270	550	22	5	1		3528
28	700	324	311	124	156	275	17	4	4		1915
29	450	161	166	51	73	131	10	7	2	1	1052
30	301	138	101	27	63	97	11	5			743
31	147	94	66	10	33	32	4	2	1		389
32	153	75	47	9	32	15	8	1			340
33	109	28	31	6	16	6	12	1			209
34	84	36	14	1	7	2	12	2			158
35	75	26	14	1	3	4	11	1			135
36	29	15	10		1		12				67
37	21	11	6		3		13	1	1		56
38	11	7		1			9		1		29
39	8	7	1		1		3	1			21
40	4	3	2				5				14
41		3	1				3	1			8
42	1	1					2				4
43	1	1					3				5
44		1					4				5
45							1				1
46	1										1
52								1			1
Total	12789	7919	11639	4185	3103	3913	277	67	44	4	43940
Length, av., cm.	24.8	23.9	23.3	23.1	24.4	25.1	29.4	27.5	25.2	24.3	24.1

TABLE 17. Redfish age composition in the NAFO Div. 3O in 2002.

Age, Years	Males		Females		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
4	27	0.1			27	0.06
5	880	4.2	624	2.8	1504	3.4
6	4879	23.0	2348	10.4	7227	16.5
7	11124	52.5	8145	36.1	19269	44.0
8	3282	15.5	5365	23.8	8647	19.7
9	660	3.1	2503	11.1	3163	7.2
10	189	0.9	1907	8.4	2096	4.8
11	60	0.3	660	2.9	720	1.6
12	26	0.1	346	1.5	372	0.8
13	13	0.1	396	1.8	409	0.9
14	12	0.1	122	0.5	134	0.3
15	14	0.1	120	0.5	134	0.3
16	13	0.1	10	0.04	23	0.05
17	16	0.1	28	0.1	44	0.1
18	6	0.03	5	0.02	11	0.02
19			6	0.03	6	0.01
20			2	0.01	2	+
21			1	+	1	+
22						
23						
24						
25						
26						
27				+	1	+
Total	21201	100.0	22589	100.0	43790	100.0

TABLE 18. Length composition (no. of individuals) of American plaice in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
22			9	176	185
24	5		27	348	380
26	9		49	354	412
28	21		100	196	317
30	56		173	196	425
32	120		306	315	741
34	158		390	390	938
36	286		500	460	1246
38	336	2	566	504	1408
40	209		461	618	1288
42	173	2	398	708	1281
44	97	3	360	632	1092
46	76	1	360	464	901
48	39	1	311	375	726
50	24	3	239	316	582
52	7	5	210	230	452
54	2	2	148	227	379
56			128	124	252
58			68	86	154
60			56	45	101
62			22	14	36
64			12	12	24
66			9	9	18
68			4	3	7
70			1	1	2
72				1	1
Total	1618	19	4907	6804	13348
Av. length, cm.	38,7	48,1	42,0	40,3	40,7

TABLE 19. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Witch flounder in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Divs. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
22				1	1
24			1	5	6
26		1	1	19	21
28	1		7	16	24
30	4		18	38	60
32	11	2	32	91	136
34	13	1	87	115	216
36	21	5	126	156	308
38	29	3	115	246	393
40	17	8	44	245	314
42	15	9	54	220	298
44	10	8	26	132	176
46	3	7	23	87	120
48	1	7	13	87	108
50		3	6	29	38
52		2	7	10	19
54	2	1	1	6	10
56				4	4
58		1	1	1	3
Total	127	58	562	1508	2255
Av. length, cm.	38,6	43,5	38,4	40,0	39,6

TABLE 20. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Yellowtail flounder in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3MN in 2002.

Length, cm	3M	3N	3MN
24		15	15
26		59	59
28		122	122
30		175	175
32		286	286
34		400	400
36		464	464
38		502	502
40		291	291
42		202	202
44	1	108	109
46		48	48
48		33	33
50		13	13
52		4	4
54		5	5
Total	1	2727	2728
Av. length, cm.	44,5	36,8	36,8

TABLE 21. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Atlantic cod in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
27	1				1
30	19			13	32
33	70		6	36	112
36	113		24	82	219
39	145		42	213	400
42	159	1	100	386	646
45	163	2	141	613	919
48	150	9	214	828	1201
51	98	11	281	879	1269
54	89	2	352	940	1383
57	50		311	783	1144
60	33	1	238	631	903
63	17	6	198	531	752
66	9	5	139	344	497
69	5	6	94	220	325
72	5	9	58	153	225
75	4	10	46	97	157
78	1	6	44	69	120
81	1	15	34	53	103
84	2	13	28	46	89
87	2	11	26	35	74
90		7	20	38	65
93		3	23	27	53
96		5	19	10	34
99		1	17	13	31
102		2	24	9	35
105			13	6	19
108			10		10
111			3		3
114			4	1	5
117			5		5
120			4		4
123			2		2
135				1	1
Total	1136	125	2520	7058	10839
Av. length, cm.	46,5	74,9	60,5	56,4	56,5

TABLE 22. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Red hake in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3LMN in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3LMN
15			1	1
18				0
21	2	1		3
24	5	1		6
27	69	6		75
30	400	33	1	434
33	704	81	3	788
36	758	104	17	879
39	561	91	27	679
42	288	27	15	330
45	90	9	6	105
48	15	2	3	20
51	3			3
Total	2895	356	72	3323
Av. length, cm.	36,7	37,0	40,4	36,8

TABLE 23. Length composition (no. of individuals) of White hake in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
9		2			2
12		8			8
15		8			8
18		20		2	22
21		7		5	12
24		11	1	23	35
27		2		34	36
30		2		75	77
33		1	1	88	90
36			1	131	132
39			5	551	556
42			34	1667	1701
45			56	2706	2762
48			35	2747	2782
51			36	1552	1588
54			36	1007	1043
57	1		34	661	696
60			19	413	432
63	1		9	315	325
66			4	188	192
69			5	133	138
72			4	99	103
75	1		2	68	71
78			4	48	52
81			1	15	16
84				12	12
87				9	9
90				4	4
93			2	1	3
96			2	4	6
99				3	3
102					
105				1	1
108				1	1
Total	3	61	291	12563	12918
Av. length, cm	66,0	18,9	53,1	49,9	49,8

TABLE 24. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Thorny skate in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
30	1		5		6
33	9	1	36		46
36	34	3	79	6	122
39	160	4	188	8	360
42	202	19	360	40	621
45	243	22	713	58	1036
48	237	20	1112	80	1449
51	180	19	1322	117	1638
54	112	16	1218	136	1482
57	86	15	1240	136	1477
60	56	17	1096	140	1309
63	41	9	930	121	1101
66	34	7	754	114	909
69	30	6	530	93	659
72	24	6	344	73	447
75	9	2	219	63	293
78	7		107	62	176
81	4		62	18	84
84	2		32	15	49
87			16	6	22
90			7	3	10
93	1			1	2
96	1				1
99					
102			1		1
105					
108					
111					
114		1			1
Total	1473	168	10371	1290	13302
Av. length, cm.	50,3	54,4	57,5	61,5	57,0

TABLE 25. Length composition (no. of individuals) of Spinytail skate in Russian trawlers catches in NAFO Div. 3LMNO in 2002.

Length, cm	3L	3M	3N	3O	3LMNO
39	1		1		2
42	3	2			5
45					
48		3	1		4
51	3		3		6
54	3	1		1	5
57	1	1	1	1	4
60	2	2	2	4	10
63	2	2	1		5
66	4	2			6
69				1	1
72	4	5		1	10
75		4	3	1	8
78	3	2	1	1	7
81	1	3	2	2	8
84	2	2	2		6
87	1	2	3		6
90	2	3	3	1	9
93	1	3	1		5
96		1	3	1	5
99		7	1		8
102		3			3
105		6	1		7
108	1	4			5
111		1	2		3
114		1	1		2
117		1			1
120	1		1		2
123		2			2
126		2			2
129		2			2
132		1			1
135					
138		1			1
141		2			2
144					
146		1			1
156				1	1
177			1		1
Total	35	72	35	8	150
Av. length, cm.	67,1	90,0	83,6	81,6	82,7

TABLE 26. Silver hake length composition of the Russian trawlers catch in the NAFO Div. 4W (200-mile zone of Canada) in 2002.

Length, cm	Number of individuals
19	1
20	2
21	13
22	35
23	102
24	346
25	837
26	1269
27	1012
28	579
29	378
30	154
31	67
32	35
33	20
34	9
35	2
36	1
37	
38	1
39	1
Total	4864
Av. length, cm	26.5

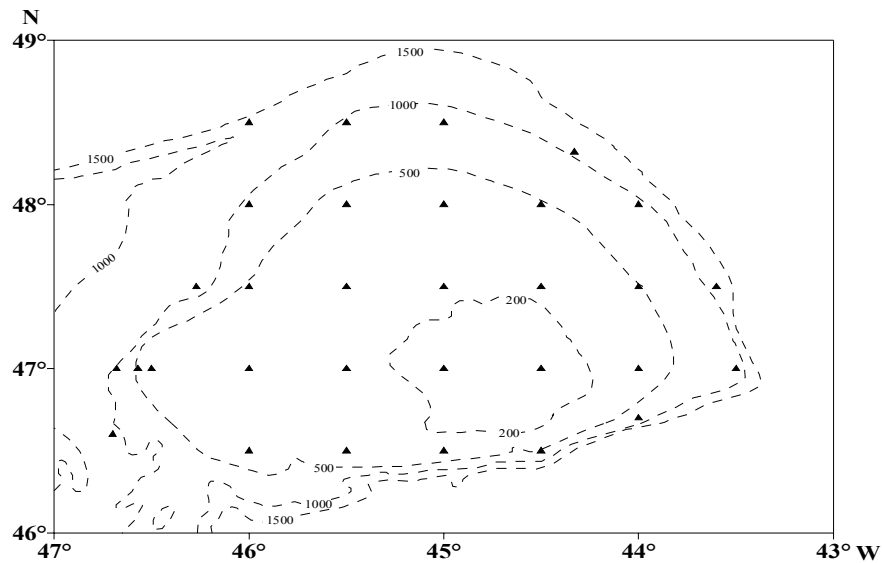


Fig. 1 Location of oceanographic stations, 31.05 -10.06.2002

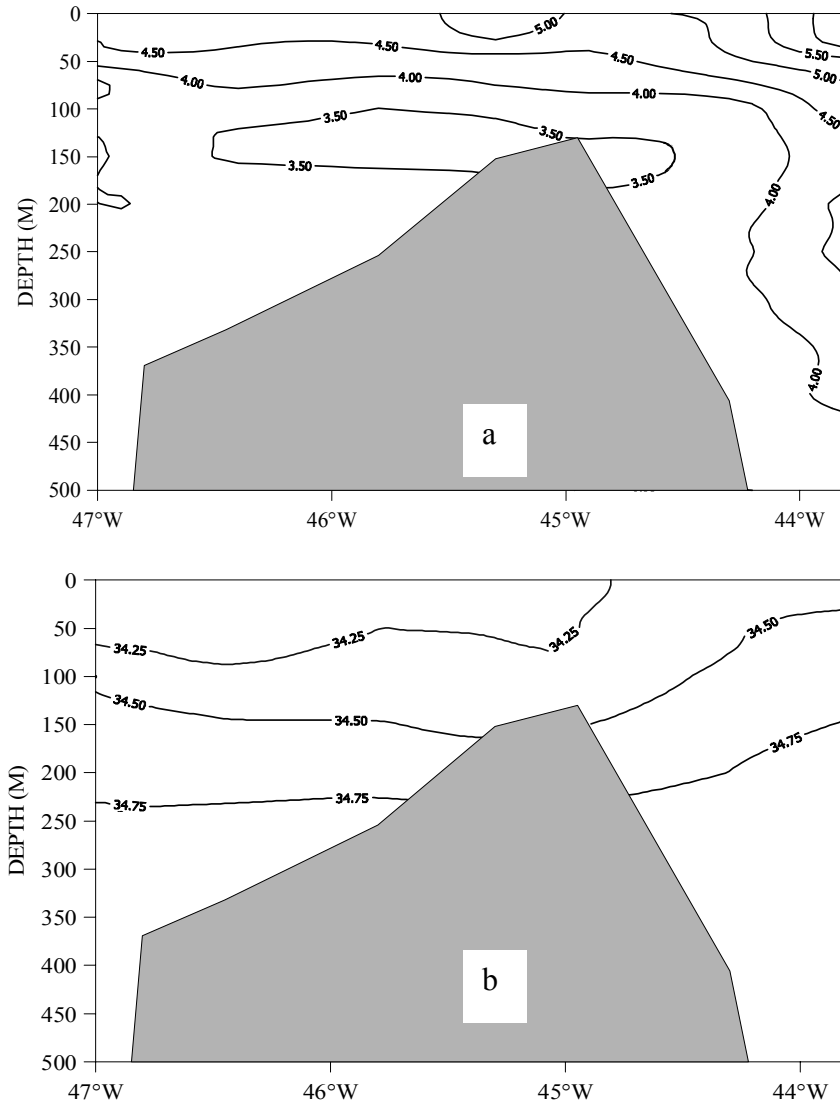


Fig. 2. Vertical distribution of temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) (a) and salinity (b) over the Flemish Cap Bank (along 47°N) in June 2002.

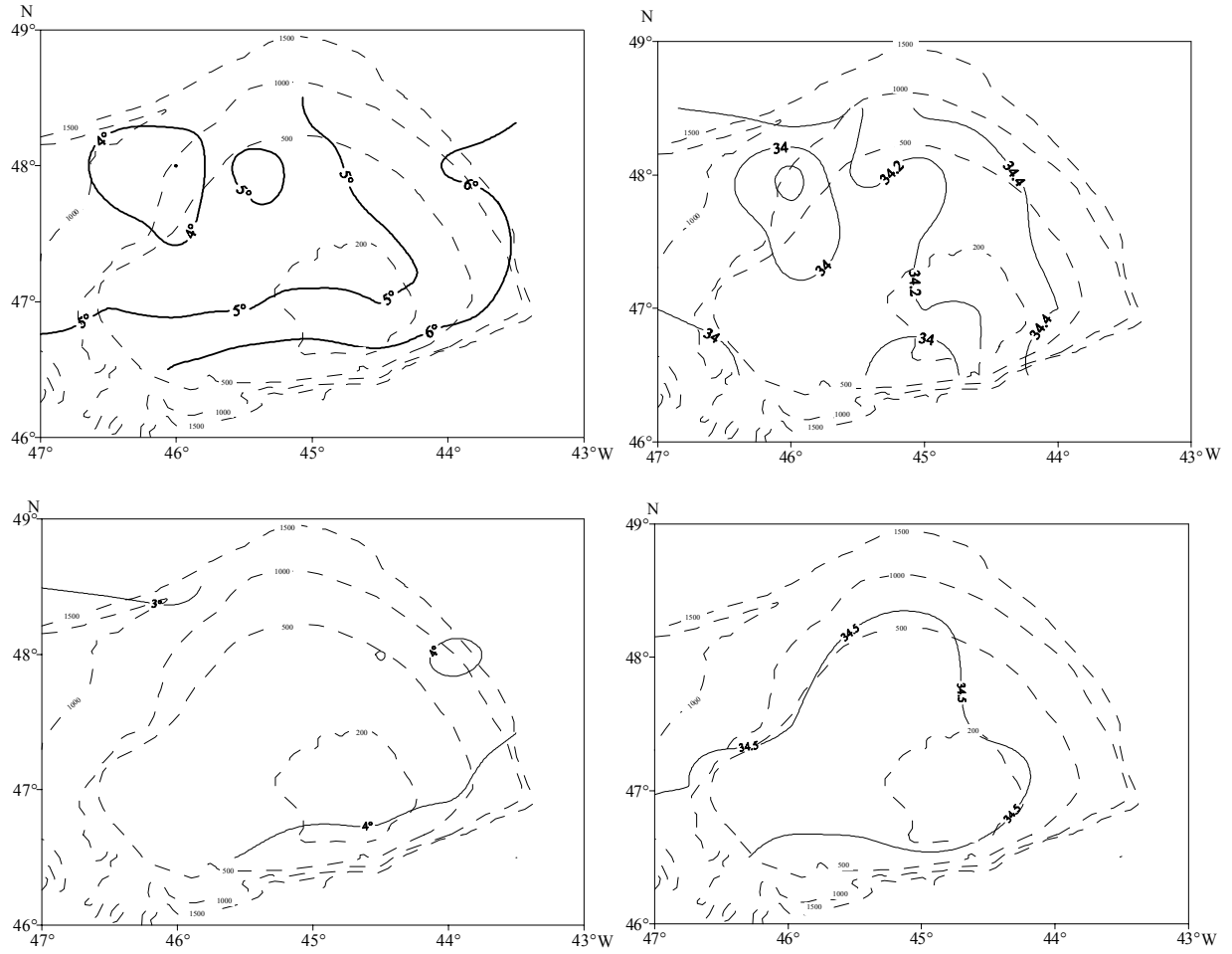


Fig. 3. Temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) and salinity distribution on the surface (a, b) and in 100 m layer (c, d) in the Flemish Cap area in June 2002