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Stratification scheme used and age composition of cod catches taken on the Flemish Cap, 2-15 Feb 1977 by R/V A.T. Cameron

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The stratification chart showing the 19 strata used comprises Fig. 1.

The strata were as follows:

| Stratum No. | Depth range (FM) | # rectangles | Total area (Sq. nautical miles) |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | 70-80 | 1.0 | 341.8 |
| 2 | 80-100 | 25 | 837.9 |
| 3 | 100-140 | 18 | 627.8 |
| 4 | 11 | 10 | 347.8 |
| 5 | *** | 20 | 703.4 |
| 6 | 11 | 15 | 496.1 |
| 7 | 140-200 | 24 | 821.8 |
| 8 | 11 | 19 | 646.1 |
| 9 | 11 | 9 | 314.3 |
| 10 | 11 | 28 | 951.3 |
| 11 | ** | 24 | 806.1 |
| 12 | 200-300 | 20 | 670.4 |
| 13 | 11 . | 7 | 248.6 |
| 14 | ** | 17 | 602.0 |
| 15 | *1 | 20 | 665.7 |
| 16 | 300-400 | 19 | 634.1 |
| 17 | 11 | 6 | 621.7 |
| 18 | 11 | 7 | 604.3 |
| 19 | 11 | 12 | 413.9 |

Each rectangle was divided into 10 units of equal area. Each of there units is the smallest unit from which fishing sets were selected at random.

Age composition of cod catches

| Age | Number Caught | Average length |
|-----|-----------------|----------------|
| 1 | 1 | 10.00 |
| 2 | 161 | 18.38 |
| 3 | 71 9 | 26.02 |
| | 1879 | 43.17 |
| 5 | 425 | 61.00 |
| 6 | 56 | 77.30 |
| 7 | 12 | 82.00 |
| 8 | 1 | _ |
| 9 | 12 | _ |
| 10 | 3 . | - |
| 11 | 1 | _ |
| 12+ | 3 | - |
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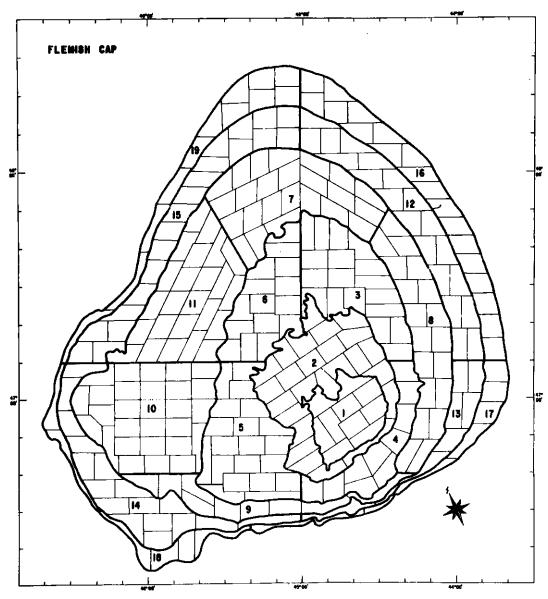


Fig. 1. Stratification chart showing the .9 strata used on Flemish Cap