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**An assessment of the cod stock in  
NAFO Divisions 4R 4S and in Subdivision 3Pn**

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ABSTRACT

Nominal catches of cod from the 4RS 3Pn stock had reached a maximum over the last 29 years in 1983 (106,878 t) and have declined to 93,164 t (preliminary statistics in 1984). Catch rates were not standardized since sources of biases and errors could be found in all catch rates series. A new catch at age matrix was reconstructed in order to distinguish different components of the fishery. Research vessel abundance estimates although variable do indicate either stable abundance or a slight increase since 1980. In this respect tuning was done in order to minimize the coefficient of variation of the exploitable biomass in the last three years, this was obtained by using a terminal fishing mortality of 0.35. If the coefficient of variation of 4+ biomass is minimized,  $F_t$  is 0.25.

RESUME

Les captures nominales de morue provenant du stock de 4RS 3Pn ont atteint un maximum pour les 29 dernières années en 1983 (106,878 t) et se situent à 93,164 t en 1984 (données préliminaires). Les taux de captures n'ont pu être standardisés à cause de biais et d'erreurs possibles dans les séries de taux de captures. Une nouvelle matrice de capture à l'âge a été produite afin de séparer la contribution des différentes composantes de la pêcherie à la capture à l'âge. Les estimés d'abondance des missions d'évaluation semblent indiquer soit une stabilité ou une légère augmentation depuis 1980. L'estimé de la mortalité par la pêche a été établie en minimisant le coefficient de variation de la biomasse exploitabile, nécessitant une mortalité par la pêche de 0,35 en 1984. Si on cherche le plus faible coefficient de variation de la biomasse 4+,  $F_t$  est 0,25.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The cod fishery in NAFO Divisions 4RS 3Pn has been prosecuted historically in two distinct components: a mostly offshore winter fishery in Subdivision 3Pn and southern 4R and a mostly inshore summer fishery in Divisions 4R and 4S (Table 1). The fishery has been dominated historicaly by Canada which took 53% of the reported catches between 1959 and 1976. Since 1977, the French component of the catch has been limited to 15% while the remainder was caught in a 2:1 ratio by Newfoundland and Quebec based vessels. Catches by Maritime based vessels have been small (Table 2 & 3). Preliminary catches for 1984 show a slight decrease in landings for Newfoundland and a small increase for Quebec, Maritime and St.Pierre based vessels in relation to 1983.

## 2. NOMINAL CATCHES

The 1984 nominal catch statistics (Table 4) for Newfoundland, Maritime and Quebec based vessels were obtained from the respective Statistical branches of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Data for the French fleet operating in the Gulf were obtained through the FLASH system. Revised landings for the 1983 fishery indicates an increase of 4,231 t over the 102, 647 t figure presented in Gascon (1984); the preliminary statistics for 1984 (93,164 t) indicate a drop of 13%. This is mainly due to decreases in catch by Newfoundland based otter trawlers and longliners operating in Subdivision 3Pn in the first 3 months of the year and Maritime otter trawls in May in Division 4R. However, small increases are noted for Quebec and St.Pierre based vessels.

## 3. CATCH AND EFFORT DATA

Historical commercial catch and effort data, with the exception of French (metropolitan and St.Pierre and Miquelon) and Québec based vessels, were obtained from the NAFO Statistical Bulletins. Data for the Québec based vessels (from 1975-1983) were obtained from the Direction de la recherche, ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec. The data for the French vessels were obtained through the various Observer programs (Programme des observateurs du Québec, Foreign Cooperative Observer programs, Scotia Fundy and Newfoundland regions). The data for 1984 were obtained with the nominal catch statistics. Preliminary catch and effort data for 1985 were obtained for Newfoundland based vessels. Preliminary catch and effort data for 1984 obtained from the Quebec and Gulf regions in May 1985 were suspect (because of unusually large or small catch per unit effort). These data were rejected and the assessment postponed until the fall. At that time, revised data were available only from the Quebec Region; these data represented only a sampling of the total fleet (vessels known to fish mostly Division 4S).

The catch rate data were analysed using the multiplicative model (Gavaris, 1980). The series was analysed in a single unit as in Gascon (1984). Values for catch less than 10 t and effort less than 10 hours were deleted from the analysis because of possible large rounding off in the statistical tables. A weighting factor, estimated from the residuals of an unweighted regression (average on 5 levels of effort values) was applied to the CPUE data. Results of the analysis are presented in Tables 5 and 6 and in Figure 1.

Standardized catch rates decreased by more than 27% between 1982 and 1984, this trend continuing at a lower rate in 1985. Preliminary analysis of catch rate, from which the observer data from the French vessels were excluded, showed an even more pronounced decline (49%) imputable only to Canadian vessels. A detailed examination of all catch rates present in the analysis was undertaken to determine the source of the decline. Canadian components on the model are as follows:

- 1) Quebec based OTB2's and OTB3's fishing mostly in Division 4S between May and September. This fishery occurs in the western part of the stock range and accounts for approximately 7% of nominal catches (Table 7a, b).
- 2) Maritime (New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia) based OTB5's and OTB4's fishing the winter concentrations from January until June. It represents less than 1% of nominal catches (Table 7c and d).
- 3) Newfoundland based OTB4's and OTB5's fishing Divs 3Pn and southern 4R from January until May fishing the winter concentrations of the stock. It accounts for approximately 1% nominal catches (Table 7e and f).

Three of these catch rate series (Quebec OTB2's and 3's; Maritime OTB4's) showed a regular increase between 1978 and 1983, followed by a sharp decline in 1984 and 1985 (Fig. 2). Catch rates for Newfoundland based OTB4's and OTB5's as well as Maritime base OTB5's have increased steadily until 1981 to decline thereafter. The data for the latter four categories are based on little data in recent years.

The decline (by a factor of 2.5) in catch rates for Quebec vessels between 1983 and 1984 occurred concurrently with a change in jurisdiction. Until 1983, catch and effort statistics were collected by the Provincial Government (Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation). Starting in 1984, this responsibility was taken over by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. We felt at the time that this change might lead to inconsistencies in the temporal series. This change combined with a change in aggregation practices (from a set by set to a day by day basis) might account for, at least, part of the decline. These suspicions were later confirmed (too late to modify the assessment) when a software error was discovered in the catch/effort aggregation program.

Changes in jurisdictions and aggregating practices also occurred in the four remaining series (Maritime and Newfoundland based TC4's and 5's). These catch rates are derived from minor components of the fishery (approximately 2% nominal catches) and may not provide an accurate representation of the fishery as a whole, which is mostly an inshore and small [TC2] trawler fishery. Catch rate data are available only for a small proportion of the total catch since large vessels (both Canadian and foreign) were virtually excluded from the fishery in the late 1970's (Table 6). The major trawler fishery is the one conducted on the west coast of Newfoundland by small vessels (TC2's and TC3's). There are currently no reliable catch/effort data from this fleet. Acquisition of catch/effort data from this fleet should considerably enhance the reliability of the catch rate index.

Catch rates from the winter fishery are extremely variable (Fig. 2 b, c, d - see also Fig. 4: research surveys also conducted in winter) which lead to the belief that other factors, in addition to population dynamic considerations, affect catch rates experienced during the winter months. Hence these catch rates were judged to be of dubious value and were not used further in the analysis.

#### 4. RESEARCH SURVEY RESULTS

Stratified groundfish research surveys have been conducted in Divs. 4R, 4S, and 3Pn since 1978, with the exception of 1982, on the Gadus Atlantica. The surveys were always conducted in the January-February period. The stratification of the Northern Gulf of St. Lawrence is shown in Figure 3. Minimum exploitable biomass estimated from these surveys are shown in Figure 4. Because of the rather unpredictable nature of the weather at the time of the surveys, and of the varying extent of the ice cover between years, the number and the identity of the strata surveyed varied from year to year.

Thus a standardized research survey abundance index from these surveys was constructed using only the strata surveyed in all years (Figure 5: vertical hatching). Strata 833, 827, 803 and 804 (Figure 5: stippled areas) were not surveyed in 1979. Strata 823 and 824 in Division 4R as well as 829 and 830 in Division 4S were not surveyed in all years and were combined to form strata AB and CD respectively. The resulting combined strata yielded a complete temporal series. This was done because these very thin contiguous strata were in the same depth range and displayed similar catch rates. Estimates of biomass per stratum for the standardized series of strata are shown in Table 8.

The survey abundance indices cover a relatively short time interval (1978 to 1985), and the survey was not conducted in 1982. The estimates of biomass derived from the surveys are extremely variable (Figure 4) from year to year. Because of this variability, these indices are best considered at this stage as a qualitative indicator of stability in stock abundance between 1978 and 1985, with possibly a slight increase in recent years.

## 5. CATCH AT AGE

The historical catch-at-age (1974-1983) for cod in NAFO Divisions 4R, 4S, and 3Pn was recalculated using the biological sampling data of the catch provided by the Fisheries Research Branch, Newfoundland Region (period 1974-1982), and the data from the Fisheries Research Branch, Québec Region for 1983.

Individual length frequency samples were grouped into strata defined by gears, Country (or Provinces), Divisions, and months. Weighted (by the turnout weights associated with each sample) average length frequencies were computed within each stratum. No turnout weights were available for the pre-1979 samples for inshore gears, hence these average length frequencies remained unweighted. These frequencies were then averaged in a stepwise manner in order to produce quarterly average length frequencies for the inshore and trawler catches. The weighting factors used were the nominal catches for each of the stratum obtained from the NAFO Statistical Bulletins. In combining the length frequencies, the classification factors were ordered as follows: Divisions, Country, and gears. Departures from this scheme only occurred when the lack of data (eg. nominal catches for inshore gears from Québec) or samples dictated it. Age-length keys were likewise combined to produce 4 quarterly keys for the inshore gears and trawlers respectively.

The age length keys were applied to the length frequencies to produce quarterly catch-at-age vectors for the inshore gears and trawlers. These were added to form yearly catch-at-age vectors for the inshore gears, trawlers, and the whole fleet. The average weights at age were obtained by applying the following length-weight relationship to the length-at-age data (Minet, 1978).

$$\text{Log}_{10}(W_g) = 2.96 \cdot \text{Log}_{10}(L_{\text{cm}}) - 1.98$$

In several years, especially the earlier ones, samples were lacking in some quarters, and the catch vectors had to be extrapolated from existing samples.

Catch-at-age and average weights-at-age matrices were then constructed for the whole catch (Table 9), the inshore gears (Table 10), the offshore catch (Table 11). The catch at age presented in this document includes all of the available data.

### Catch at age for 1984

Biological sampling data for the 1984 catch were obtained from several sources: the commercial sampling sections of the Quebec and Gulf regions Fisheries Research Branches for Canadian landings, and the foreign observer program for the French fleet. The sampling data available for 1984 are summarized in Table 12.

The 1984 catch at age and its variance (Gavaris and Gavaris, 1982) was calculated as described above. The quarterly catch-at-age vectors for inshore gears and trawlers are given in Tables 13 and 14 respectively. The combined catch vectors (inshore, trawlers and total) are given in Tables 15 and 16.

#### 6. SEQUENTIAL POPULATION ANALYSIS

Cohort analysis (Pope, 1972) was performed using the catch-at-age matrix shown in Table 9a using a constant instantaneous rate of natural mortality of 0.2. Midyear biomasses were determined using the average weights at age of Table 9b. By examination of age specific mortalities of preliminary runs of VPA (at  $F_T = 0.3$ ), it appears that cod from NAFO Divisions 4R, 4S, and 3Pn are fully recruited to the fishery from age 7 onward.

The partial recruitments for age 4 to 6 in 1984 were estimated as the average of partial recruitments for ages 4 to 6 between 1977 and 1983 (Table 17 a). The 3 first years were excluded because it was suspected that some data were left out of the catch-at-age matrix originally used. A mesh size change occurred in the Gulf of St. Lawrence in 1981 for otter trawlers (120 mm to 130 mm) which could have affected the PR vector in recent years. However, a regulated mesh size reduction from 152 to 140 mm occurred simultaneously for the gillnets in Quebec. Following these changes, there was no apparent effects in the partial recruitment matrix, hence the average between 1977 and 1983 was used. The historical partial recruitments were estimated as the ratio of fishing mortality at age over the fully recruited fishing mortality (Table 17b). The fully recruited fishing mortalities were estimated from the survival rate of fish aged 7 to 10 in one year and aged 8 to 11 in the next. Attempts to derive the PR vector by estimating directly fishing mortality at age in 1984 from a relationship between historical effort levels of the trawler fleet and the partial F at age for the same fleet proved unsuccessful as no valid predictive relationships could be established for the partially recruited ages.

#### 7. DETERMINATION OF FISHING MORTALITY IN 1984

Because the available abundance indices (catch rates and research surveys) could not be used reliably in tuning the sequential population analysis, an alternate method of determining terminal fishing mortality was used. There did not seem to be any major changes in the stock abundance and in the fishery in the recent years (1982 to 1984) and faced with lack of clear information in one way or another, the most parsimonious approach was to assume stability in stock abundance over this period. There is some anecdotal evidence to support this hypothesis: there has been no apparent change of effort level in the fishery in the last few years. While some Quebec based vessels have moved into the shrimp fishery, a number of additional Newfoundland vessels have entered the cod fishery. The commercial catch rate series do not show a consistent trend since some increase and some decrease. The French series, with the exception of the 1984 point, is relatively stable, as is the research survey series.

Therefore, a terminal fishing mortality was chosen to minimize variation (as measured by the coefficient of variation [CV]) over the last 3 years (1982 to 1984) on stock abundance parameters computed from sequential population analysis. C.V. for fully recruited fishing mortality, total biomass, and exploitable biomass (obtained by applying the partial recruitment vector [Table 17b] to the total biomass) between 1982 and 1984, for a range of terminal F (0.15 to 0.5) is given in Table 18. Variation in total biomass is minimized at a F of .25, whereas variations in exploitable biomass and fishing mortality are minimized at F's in 1984 of .35 and .4-.45 respectively (Table 18).

Previous assessment of this stock (Gascon 1983, 1984) have found that the relation between effort and fishing mortality were usually weak. Therefore, fishing mortalities were not considered further in this analysis. Research survey biomass estimates should correlate more closely with total biomass estimates from SPA, hence minimizing C.V. on total biomass implies minimum variations in the survey abundance index. Similarly, minimizing C.V. in exploitable biomass implies minimim variations in catch rates.

Because no reliable catch rate data were available, the implied stability in catch rates by the above analysis is purely speculative. The implied stability in survey index is based on firmer grounds, as the data, albeit extremely variable, tend to show stability (section 4). However, total biomass obtained from SPA are more affected by estimates of the partial recruitment vector and weights at age, for partially recruited age groups than is exploitable biomass, whereas the effects of the P.R. vector cancel out in exploitable biomass.

Because of large uncertainties in parameters used in these relationships cohort analysis for both hypothesis ( $F_t = .25$  and  $F_t = .35$ ) are presented in Tables 19 and 20.

#### 8. CATCH PROJECTIONS FOR 1985 AND 1986

Catch projections were made using population numbers in 1984 from cohort analysis at both  $F_t = 0.25$  and  $.35$  (Table 21, 22). Recruitment at age 4 for 1985 and 1986 was estimated using the geometric mean of age 4 population numbers between 1974 and 1984 ( $110 \times 10^6$  fish). The average of 1982 to 1984 weights at age was used for the projections. Partial recruitment vector is the same as used in 1984 (Table 17b).

The parameters used in the projection of the  $F_{0.1}$  reference level in 1986 were as follows:

Age	Population Numbers 1984 ('000) ( $F_t = 0.35$ )	Population Numbers 1984 ('000) ( $F_t = 0.25$ )	Catch Numbers 1984 ('000)	Average Weights (Kg)	Partial Recruitment
4	101 302	141 280	2,526	0.83	0.080
5	69 264	95 423	7,032	1.11	0.339
6	60 560	82 097	11,835	1.48	0.691
7	65 576	87 692	17,654	1.80	1.000
8	24 467	32 718	6,587	2.10	1.000
9	19 049	25 474	5,128	2.47	1.000
10	7 218	9 653	1,943	3.07	1.000
11	3 050	4 079	821	3.96	1.000
12	1 496	2 001	403	4.53	1.000
13	558	746	150	5.79	1.000
14	125	167	34	6.63	1.000
15	103	138	28	6.68	1.000
16	146	195	39	6.64	1.000

Under hypothesis 1 (minimum variations in exploitable biomass;  $F_t = 0.35$ ), if the 1985 TAC of 100,000 t is taken (resulting in a F of 0.38 in 1985) the  $F_{0.1}$  catch in 1986 would be 54,000 t. Under hypothesis 2 (minimum variations in total biomass;  $F_t = 0.25$ ) if the 1985 TAC of 100,000 t is taken (resulting in a F of 0.249 in 1985), the  $F_{0.1}$  catch in 1986 would be 83,000 t. This latter hypothesis was retained as the basis of advice in Advisory Document 85/19.

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Table 1: Historical monthly catch statistics for the 4RS 3Pn cod stock for the period 1961-1984. The pre-1961 data for 3Pn are too incomplete to allow monthly estimate for the stock as a whole.

MONTHS YEARS	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	NK	TOTAL
1961*	364	12,375	44,543	8,745	1,473	5,761	14,341	6,752	2,490	1,408	1,305	453		100,010
1962*	316	12,903	24,720	4,656	1,565	6,951	16,717	11,738	3,513	1,535	1,016	291		85,921
1963*	649	7,661	13,336	2,478	1,623	17,419	14,870	10,698	3,104	1,916	692	300		74,746
1964	1,104	24,423	15,761	6,058	3,106	10,350	12,527	5,853	2,153	1,385	863	651		84,234
1965	792	12,506	21,171	3,698	2,216	5,267	10,422	5,945	3,636	1,359	927	990		68,929
1966	1,965	22,817	8,929	2,516	1,638	8,371	7,482	4,744	2,490	1,146	1,779	1,208		65,085
1967	7,872	7,028	14,792	8,447	2,017	7,525	12,664	5,232	7,154	3,315	1,356	1,909	1	79,312
1968	725	7,980	22,799	9,061	3,087	10,717	17,216	9,400	4,914	1,781	1,172	819		89,671
1969	875	4,654	9,675	4,220	5,192	10,958	12,103	8,639	7,866	3,557	2,035	1,366		71,140
1970	1,637	25,487	18,115	27,995	4,803	6,020	8,974	3,897	2,130	3,170	1,936	1,301		105,465
1971	845	44,590	7,580	5,250	2,338	5,839	8,420	3,039	2,374	1,616	1,004	915		83,810
1972	1,494	14,961	5,337	7,400	7,334	4,594	6,818	3,296	2,365	1,406	994	212	2,026	58,237
1973	16,472	10,556	7,586	4,826	3,235	5,860	5,125	4,145	2,365	1,459	1,016	567	2,593	65,805
1974	12,995	10,753	5,959	5,665	6,231	5,021	6,235	5,396	2,214	1,331	1,009	479	3,148	66,436
1975	8,232	19,486	2,702	2,616	5,316	5,122	5,042	4,488	2,767	1,267	819	704	1,672	60,233
1976	15,637	15,204	3,610	3,437	7,071	6,930	6,978	4,310	3,348	2,286	1,537	578	6,055	76,981
1977	11,143	8,603	3,790	11,312	10,057	7,368	8,133	5,780	3,361	1,751	1,814	454		73,566
1978	20,754	6,307	5,161	3,156	6,717	9,796	13,255	7,000	2,836	1,979	1,309	236		78,506
1979	15,543	4,273	6,475	6,647	8,517	12,890	12,085	8,660	2,971	2,449	1,816	451		82,777
1980	5,280	8,965	9,925	8,087	7,147	14,096	23,158	10,719	5,687	2,773	1,311	431		97,579
1981	9,156	15,368	3,170	3,763	12,835	17,257	16,344	10,343	5,676	2,550	1,172	277		97,911
1982	2,289	11,671	10,122	5,544	12,723	16,826	22,492	9,136	8,412	4,463	1,229	32		104,939
1983	3,982	10,586	11,187	6,903	21,049	18,352	16,251	8,139	5,790	3,932	552	155		106,878
1984+	5,435	10,375	8,986	3,567	12,742	12,918	17,313	11,116	4,286	4,430	944	1,048	4	93,164

\* Incomplete data. Some statistics reported for div. 3P only.

+ Preliminary Statistics.

Table 2: Historical catch statistics for the 4RS 3Pn cod stock by division for the major participants involved in the fishery during the period 1954-1984.

3Pn									
COUNTRIES YEARS	CAN-N	CAN-M	CAN-Q	FR-M	FR-SPM	SPAIN	PORT.	OTHERS	TOTAL
1954									NK
1955									NK
1956									NK
1957									NK
1958									NK
1959*	4,901			651		59	1,162		6,773
1960*	5,181		2	3,694		1,428	976		11,281
1961*	5,728		42	8,515		15,551	8,282	100	38,218
1962*	8,022		3	3,807		9,310	3,506		24,648
1963*	8,076		65	2,148		5,764	4,139	12	20,204
1964	8,502			2,015		1,663	2,116	836	15,132
1965	8,344		2	5,206	277	1,466	1,009	431	16,735
1966	6,876		2	3,470	450	1,675	559	592	13,624
1967	4,546			6,622		2,512	1,273	5,475	20,428
1968	5,640			3,207	13	2,223	680	146	11,909
1969	4,763			47	5	102			4,917
1970	4,930			90	1	184			5,205
1971	6,661				26	167	990		7,844
1972	6,521			2,687	3	269	877		10,357
1973	5,885			1,008		515	3,841	51	11,300
1974	2,941		8	3,913	557	1,507	4,149	938	14,013
1975	2,758		18	2,612	295		538	12	6,233
1976	6,041		56	1,452	280			636	8,465
1977	7,109		247	167	42				7,565
1978	6,271		34	497					6,802
1979	10,208	151		557					10,916
1980	8,150	174		271	204				8,799
1981	11,191	60	3	2,869	1,006				15,130
1982	14,703	152	-	341	289	-	-		15,485
1983	12,053	104	-	(4,211)		-	-		16,368
1984+	5,128	178	-			-	-		(5,306)

\* Incomplete data. Some statistics reported from div. 3P only.

+ Preliminary Statistics. Without the French statistics.

Note: Subdivision 3Pn was created in 1959.

Table 2: continued

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COUNTRIES YEARS	CAN-N	CAN-M	CAN-Q	FR-M	FR-SPM	SPAIN	PORT.	OTHERS	TOTAL
1954		16,571		14,050			1,598	7	32,226
1955	15,631		252	20,642		46	9,628	35	46,234
1956	15,635		4,076	10,568		14	8,737	32	39,062
1957	25,133		1,974	13,512			7,252	1	47,872
1958	18,832		7,139	30,037		314	15,334		71,656
1959	26,099		7,174	7,099		392	166		40,930
1960	17,302		5,937	21,970	4	7,331	13,418	604	66,566
1961	15,737		2,904	18,706		2,374	7,626		47,347
1962	21,984		3,482	7,043		5,451	10,142		48,102
1963	26,799		2,984	1,628		3,019	7,936		42,366
1964	20,162		3,197	16,264	38	6,806	12,492	1	58,960
1965	20,037		1,715	10,084	70	219	11,714		43,839
1966	21,202		1,813	9,735		1,097	10,361		44,208
1967	22,398		3,511	10,460	1	3,806	6,180	3,585	49,941
1968	32,810		4,415	22,963	169	2,779	6,905		70,041
1969	27,342		8,784	16,318	165	2,693	1,330		56,632
1970	23,337		11,337	30,303	120	8,053	17,993	3	91,146
1971	17,095		2,237	24,363	68	5,451	17,144	4	66,362
1972	11,664		3,348	10,608	3	1,357	8,144	2,459	37,583
1973	13,222		1,086	16,525	109	502	11,232	418	43,094
1974	16,348		5,538	11,679	395		5,302	184	39,446
1975	14,897		2,727	13,206	625		9,879	235	41,569
1976	20,004		6,648	15,392	918		9,034	4,034	56,030
1977	9,907		25,568	15,815	2,097				53,387
1978	35,376		6,290	13,252	2,022				56,940
1979	37,096	4,423	1,038	11,040	2,171				55,768
1980	52,358	2,822	582	8,275	646				64,683
1981	49,479	2,291	775	7,466	1,167				61,178
1982	51,248	2,024	882	9,875	1,458	-	-	-	65,487
1983	55,842	3,271	2	(7,180)		-	-	-	66,295
1984+	51,522	589	95			-	-	-	(52,206)

\* Preliminary Statistics. Without the French statistics.

Table 2: continued

4S

COUNTRIES YEARS	CAN-N	CAN-M	CAN-Q	FR-M	FR-SPM	SPAIN	PORT.	OTHERS	TOTAL
1954		2,928							2,928
1955	1		4,487		30		717		5,235
1956	11		2,318		319				2,648
1957	23		5,417		254		119		5,813
1958	157		7,597		38		20		7,812
1959	7		10,224			126			10,357
1960			16,057		18		428		16,503
1961	1		13,814		495		74	61	14,445
1962			13,171						13,171
1963	22		11,794					360	12,176
1964	45		10,077		18			2	10,142
1965	108		7,241					1,006	8,355
1966	88		6,777		57			331	7,253
1967	50		6,859		22			1,092	8,943
1968	146		7,558			17			7,721
1969	307		9,241			1	42		9,591
1970	443		8,175				198	298	9,114
1971	182		9,161			1	259		9,604
1972	189		9,130		27		338	613	10,297
1973	434		7,942					911	2,124
1974	366		8,976		86			1,474	11,411
1975	381		7,808		401			2,400	2,077
1976	726		9,231		22		23		12,983
1977	171		12,426		10		7		12,431
1978	229		14,535						12,614
1979	47		851	15,194			1		14,764
1980	1,437	1,417	21,243						16,093
1981	336	229	21,038						24,097
1982	141	1,386	22,390		50		-		21,063
1983	505	1,328	22,382		-		-		23,967
1984+	227	436	21,763		-		-		24,215
									22,426

+ Preliminary Statistics.

Table 2: continued

TOTAL

COUNTRIES YEARS	CAN-N	CAN-M	CAN-Q	FR-M	FR-SPM	SPAIN	PORT.	OTHERS	TOTAL
1954									NK
1955									NK
1956									NK
1957									NK
1958									NK
1959*	31,007		17,398	7,750		577	1,328		58,060
1960*	22,483		21,996	25,682	4	9,187	14,394	604	94,350
1961*	21,466		16,760	27,716		17,999	15,969	100	100,010
1962*	30,006		16,656	10,850		14,761	13,648		85,921
1963*	34,897		14,843	3,776		8,783	12,435	12	74,746
1964	28,709		13,274	18,297	38	8,469	14,610	837	84,234
1965	28,489		8,958	15,290	347	1,685	13,729	431	68,929
1966	28,166		8,592	13,262	450	2,772	11,251	592	65,085
1967	26,994		10,370	17,104	1	6,318	8,545	9,980	79,312
1968	38,596		11,973	26,170	199	5,002	7,585	146	89,671
1969	32,412		18,025	16,365	171	2,837	1,330		71,140
1970	28,710		19,512	30,393	121	8,435	18,291	3	105,465
1971	23,938		11,398	24,363	95	5,877	18,134	5	83,810
1972	18,374		12,478	13,322	6	1,964	9,634	2,459	58,237
1973	19,541		9,028	17,533	109	1,017	15,984	2,593	65,805
1974	19,655		14,516	15,678	956	1,507	10,925	3,199	66,436
1975	18,036		10,553	16,219	936		12,817	1,672	60,233
1976	26,771		15,935	16,866	1,221		10,133	6,055	76,981
1977	17,187		38,241	15,992	2,146				73,566
1978	41,876		20,859	13,749	2,022				78,506
1979	47,351	5,425	16,232	11,597	2,172				82,777
1980	61,945	4,413	21,825	8,546	850				97,579
1981	61,006	2,580	21,816	10,335	2,173				97,911
1982	66,092	3,562	23,272	10,266	1,747	-	-	-	104,939
1983	68,400	4,703	22,384	(11,391)		-	-	-	106,878
1984+	56,877	1,203	21,858	(13,226)		-	-	-	93,164

\* Incomplete data. Some statistics reported for div. 3P only.

+ Preliminary Statistics.

Note: Subdivision 3Pn was created in 1959. The total catch for this stock is unknown before then.

Table 3: Historical catch statistics for the 4RS 3Pn cod stock broken down into gear categories for the period 1954-1984. (DV, dory vessels; T, traps, GN, gillnets; HL, hand lines; LL long lines, IN misc, inshore, miscellaneous; DS, danish seines; PT, pair trawls; ST, shrimp trawls; OT, otter trawls.)

3Pn											
GEARS	DV	T	GN	HL	LL	IN. MISC.	DS	PT	ST	OT	TOTAL
YEARS											
1954											NK
1955											NK
1956											NK
1957											NK
1958											NK
1959*					1,016	3,885				1,872	6,773
1960*					1,246	3,934				6,101	11,281
1961*					2,083	3,645		15		32,475	38,218
1962*					2,988	5,005		29		16,626	24,648
1963*	53				3,062	4,922				12,167	20,204
1964	558				3,416	4,875		178		6,105	15,132
1965	113				2,702	4,815		142		8,963	16,735
1966	16				2,499	2,854		559		7,696	13,624
1967					657	3,463	27	33		16,248	20,428
1968	33				85	5,031	12	306		6,442	11,909
1969			444	270	3,630	39	10	24		500	4,917
1970		46	643	675	3,378		5	62		396	5,205
1971			364	217	5,574	134		52		1,503	7,844
1972	17	10	181	98	5,593	20	545	176		3,717	10,357
1973	1,405		175	110	5,431	97	174	356		3,552	11,300
1974	128		297	52	2,460	915	58	1,507		8,596	14,013
1975			61	152	2,418	12		6		3,584	6,233
1976		9	163	225	4,467	636	163			2,802	8,465
1977		37	73	163	5,679		119			1,494	7,565
1978		7	34	103	5,323		17			1,318	6,802
1979		25	40	116	7,338		181			3,216	10,916
1980			13	83	6,443		18			2,242	8,799
1981		4	3	72	7,560		28			7,463	15,130
1982		1	8	87	7,670		12			7,707	15,485
1983		1	46	97	6,789		20	8		9,407	16,368
1984+		46	212	123	1,934		202		11	(2,778)	(5,306)

\* Incomplete data. Some statistics reported for div. 3P only.

+ Preliminary Statistics. Without the French statistics.

Note: Subdivision 3 Pn was created in 1959.

Table 3: continued

4R

GEARS YEARS	DV	T	GN	HL	LL	IN. MISC.	DS	PT	ST	OT	TOTAL
1954						16,413				15,813	32,226
1955	55					15,620				30,559	46,234
1956	3,057					15,316				20,689	39,062
1957	581			196		25,034				22,061	47,872
1958	2,619			2,261		18,075				48,701	71,656
1959	2,183			575		25,809				12,363	40,930
1960				108		17,135				49,323	66,566
1961					113	15,640	71			31,523	47,347
1962					104	21,486	105			26,407	48,102
1963					55	26,620	181			15,510	42,366
1964					123	18,789	185			39,863	58,960
1965					152	16,766	145			26,776	43,839
1966					201	15,532	53	38		28,384	44,208
1967					207	21,015	47			28,672	49,941
1968			289		1,138	26,130	60	508		41,916	70,041
1969		3,943	10,905	1,622	4,405	2,646	198	5		32,908	56,632
1970	184	2,340	4,319	1,673	5,489	1,962	239	225	5	74,710	91,146
1971		3,786	3,718	1,295	3,076	436	247		224	53,580	66,362
1972		1,606	2,835	1,107	1,115	2,851	16	24	168	27,861	37,583
1973		2,007	3,154	1,007	2,564	3,050	120	84	545	30,563	43,094
1974		1,789	5,182	1,714	1,358	666	223			28,514	39,446
1975		2,032	6,462	1,413	978	490	221			29,973	41,569
1976		1,572	7,671	1,445	527	4,238	155			40,422	56,030
1977		2,414	7,866	1,591	1,429	147	147			39,793	53,387
1978		4,103	13,235	1,749	2,462		233			35,158	56,940
1979		3,071	11,479	3,138	5,031		311			32,738	55,768
1980		8,354	11,607	2,380	7,768		467			34,107	64,683
1981		5,408	5,796	2,096	8,936	327	384			38,231	61,178
1982		7,473	9,465	2,126	7,208		337			38,878	65,487
1983		3,415	11,849	5,047	6,614		473			2,906	35,991
1984+		3,167	6,508	3,025	8,077		233			1,038	(30,158) (52,206)

\* Preliminary Statistics. Without the French statistics.

Table 3: continued

4S

GEARS	DV	T	GN	HL	LL	IN. MISC.	DS	PT	ST	OT	TOTAL
YEARS											
1954						2,892				36	2,928
1955						4,423				812	5,235
1956						2,197				451	2,648
1957						5,217				596	5,813
1958						7,114				591	7,812
1959						9,368				555	10,357
1960						2,037				9,307	16,503
1961		1,133			5,159	2,229	3,830	5		7,248	14,445
1962		2,777	80	3,974	2,057			24		4,259	13,171
1963		3,197		3,570	432			15		4,962	12,176
1964					486	6,166				3,490	10,142
1965		3,950	24		320			1		4,060	8,355
1966		1,656	973		441	798				3,385	7,253
1967		2,470	1,618	710	305					3,840	8,943
1968		3,070	1,127	623	333					2,568	7,721
1969		2,312	1,960	607	262					4,450	9,591
1970	21	1,789	846	771	251					215	5,221
1971		2,410	963	503	565			1		309	4,853
1972		2,040	1,418	511	511					242	5,575
1973		885	1,774	470	402	2,248				477	5,155
1974		200	2,326	402	976	2,064				7,009	12,977
1975		579	2,072	2,337	136	1,425					5,882
1976		992	2,900	353	46	1,385					6,810
1977		861	4,089	303	36			2			7,323
1978		2,178	3,626	194	28			2			8,736
1979		1,043	6,578	467	148						7,857
1980			1,376		1,796	11,658				9,267	24,097
1981		3	364		2,678	12,554				5,953	21,603
1982		13	27	-	3,688	11,629		3		8,267	23,967
1983			622	2	3,890	11,242		174		2,353	24,215
1984+		677	8,901	940	4,299					2,159	5,450
											22,426

+ Preliminary Statistics.

Table 3: continued

TOTAL											
GEARS	DV	T	GN	HL	LL	IN. MISC.	DS	PT	ST	OT	GRAND TOTAL
YEARS											
1954											NK
1955											NK
1956											NK
1957											NK
1958											NK
1959*											NK
1960*				6,513		23,106				64,731	94,350
1961*		1,133			4,425	23,115	76	15		71,246	100,010
1962*		2,777	80	3,974	5,149	26,491	129	29		47,292	85,921
1963*	53	3,197		3,570	3,549	31,542	196			32,639	74,746
1964	558				4,025	29,830	185	178		49,458	84,234
1965	113	3,950	24		3,174	21,581	146	142	39,799		68,929
1966	16	1,656	973		3,141	19,184	53	597	39,465		65,085
1967		2,470	1,618	710	1,169	24,478	74	33	48,760		79,312
1968	33	3,070	1,416	623	1,556	31,161	72	814	50,926		89,671
1969		6,255	13,309	2,499	8,297	2,685	208	29	37,858		71,140
1970	205	4,175	5,808	3,119	9,118	1,962	244	287	220	80,327	105,465
1971		6,196	5,045	2,015	9,215	570	247	53	533	59,936	83,810
1972	17	3,656	4,434	1,716	7,219	2,871	561	200	410	37,153	58,237
1973	1,405	2,892	5,103	1,587	8,397	5,395	294	440	1,022	39,270	65,805
1974	128	1,989	7,805	2,168	4,794	3,645	281	1,507		44,119	66,436
1975		2,611	8,595	3,902	3,532	1,927	227			39,439	60,233
1976		2,573	10,734	2,023	5,040	6,259	318			50,034	76,981
1977		3,312	12,028	2,057	7,144	147	268			48,610	73,566
1978		6,288	16,895	2,046	7,813		252			45,212	78,506
1979		4,139	18,097	3,721	12,517		492			43,811	82,777
1980		8,354	12,996	2,463	16,007	11,658	485			45,616	97,579
1981		5,415	6,163	2,168	19,174	12,881	463			51,647	97,911
1982		7,487	9,500	2,213	18,566	11,629	352	340		54,852	104,939
1983		3,416	12,517	5,146	17,293	11,242	667	8	5,259	51,330	106,878
1984+		3,890	15,621	4,088	14,310		435		3,208	51,612	93,164

\* Preliminary Statistics. All the French catch has been added to the OT total.

Note: Subdivision 3Pn was created in 1959. The total for the stock is unknown before then.

**TABLE 4.** Preliminary catch statistics for cod in NAFO Division 3Pn in 1984.

Preliminary catch statistics for cod in NAFO Division 3Pn in 1984

Canada-Newfoundland

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Traps						3	37	6						46
Fixed gillnets				1	35	17	65	23	22					163
Handlines			1	1	1	24	26	14	42	2	1	11		123
Lines trawls	472	254	125	48	179	352	443	21	23	3	2	11		1933
Danish seines			1			51	5	43	35	5	7	1		148
Otter trawls	67	277	381	12	111	87	217	245	640	354	188	136		2715
Total	539	531	508	62	326	534	793	352	762	364	198	159		5128

Canada-Maritime

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Fixed gillnets						49								49
Lines trawls						1								1
Danish seines						54								54
Otter trawls	6	9					4					55		74
Total	—	6	9	—	—	104	4	—	—	—	—	55	—	178

Division total	539	537	517	62	326	638	797	352	762	364	198	214		5306
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TABLE 4, Continued. Preliminary catch statistics for cod in NAFO Division 4R in 1984.

Preliminary catch statistics for cod in NAFO Division 4R in 1984

Canada-Newfoundland

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Traps				1	36	1744	841	534	10				1	3167
Fixed gillnets	13	2		307	472	1133	2847	1127	281	101	71	133	1	6488
Handlines	2			4	34	300	390	1370	633	218	42	32		3025
Lines trawls	231	1332	784	862	1500	1238	862	610	329	205	26	92	2	8073
Danish seines			4	59	51	34	18		7	35	20	5		233
Otter trawls	13	1537	6004	1925	7721	2256	5304	3829	615	603	283	446		30536
Total	259	2871	6792	3158	9814	6705	10262	7470	1875	1162	442	708	4	51522

Canada-Maritime

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Fixed gillnets									1					1
Lines trawls									1					2
Otter trawls	57			202	200	3	8					116		586
Total	57			202	200	3	8	2	1			116		589

Canada-Québec

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Fixed gillnets								19						19
Lines trawls								41	2					2
Otter trawls								33						74
Total								60	35					95

Division total	316	2871	6792	3360	10014	6708	10330	7507	1876	1162	442	824	4	52206
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Table 4 continued. Preliminary catch statistics for cod in NAFO Division 4S in 1984

Canada-Newfoundland														
Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Fixed gillnets						144		2						146
Handlines								1						16
Otter trawls			20	45					3	11	1			65
Total	—	—	—	20	45	—	144	3	3	11	1	—	—	227

Canada-Maritime														
Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Otter trawls	14				356	54	12							436
Total	14	—	—	—	356	54	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	436

Canada-Québec														
Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Traps					3	410	247	9		8				677
Fixed gillnets			17	517	2745	3602	941	392	533		4	4		8755
Handlines				3	73	230	369	74	159	16				924
Lines trawls				510	759	575	1022	585	787	61				4299
Otter trawls			92	968	1531	1376	913	594	1406	222	6			7108
Total	—	—	—	109	2001	3518	6030	3254	1645	2893	303	10	—	21763

Division total	14	129	2402	5572	6186	3257	1648	2904	304	10				22426
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TABLE 4. Continued. Preliminary catch for cod in NAFO Divisions 3Pn, 4RS in 1984..

## Preliminary catch statistics for cod in NAFO Divisions 3Pn, 4RS in 1984

## Canada-Newfoundland

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Traps				1	36	1747	878	540	10			1		3213
Fixed gillnets	13	2		308	507	1150	3056	1152	303	101	71	133	1	6797
Handlines	2		1	5	35	324	416	1385	678	231	44	43		3164
Lines trawls	703	1586	909	910	1679	1590	1305	631	352	208	28	103	2	10006
Danish seines			5	59	51	85	23	43	42	40	27	6		381
Otter trawls	80	1814	6385	1957	7877	2343	5521	4074	1255	957	471	582		33316
Total	798	3402	7300	3240	10185	7239	11199	7825	2640	1537	641	867	4	56877

## Canada-Maritime

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Fixed gillnets						49		1						50
Lines trawls						1		1	1					3
Danish seines						54								54
Otter trawls	71	6	9	202	556	57	24					171		1096
Total	71	6	9	202	556	161	24	2	1			171		1203

## Canada-Québec

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Traps					3	410	247	9		8				677
Fixed gillnets				17	517	2745	3621	941	392	533	4	4		8774
Handlines					3	73	230	369	74	159	16			924
Lines trawls					510	759	575	1024	585	787	61			4301
Otter trawls				92	968	1531	1417	946	594	1406	222	6		7182
Total				109	2001	5518	6090	3289	1645	2893	303	10		21858

## FRANCE (M + SP)

Gear type	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	UK	TOTAL
Otter trawls	4566	6967	1677	16										13226
Total	4566	6967	1677	16										13226

Division total	5435	10375	8986	3567	12742	12918	17313	11116	4286	4430	944	1048	4	93164
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TABLE 5. Results of the ANOVA from the regression of in catch rates against dummy categorical variables in NAFO Divisions 4RS, 3Pn.

REGRESSION OF MULTIPLICATIVE MODEL

MULTIPLE R..... .885  
MULTIPLE R SQUARED.... .784

ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE

SOURCE OF VARIATION	DF	SUMS OF SQUARES	MEAN SQUARES	F-VALUE
INTERCEPT	1	9.753E0001	9.753E0001	
REGRESSION	41	9.589E0002	2.339E0001	98.887
TYPE 1	10	2.067E0002	2.067E0001	87.371
TYPE 2	4	4.013E0001	1.003E0001	42.419
TYPE 3	1	7.580E0000	7.580E0000	32.049
TYPE 4	26	7.358E0001	2.830E0000	11.966
RESIDUALS	1120	2.649E0002	2.365E-001	
TOTAL	1162	1.321E0003		

REGRESSION COEFFICIENTS

CATEGORY	CODE	VARIABLE	COEFFICIENT	STD. ERROR	NO. OBS.
	1	24 INTERCEPT	-0.161	0.183	1162
	2	1,2			
	3	36,42			
	4	1959			
GEAR	*1	25	1	0.401	107
		34	2	-0.191	201
		35	3	0.167	95
		41	4	-2.342	3
		42	5	-1.240	61
		43	6	-0.890	101
		44	7	0.844	22
		85,86,87,94, to 8		0.523	111
		154, 216	97	0.641	270
		217	9		
			10	0.941	41
MONTHS	2	3	11	-0.218	166
		4	12	-0.327	184
		5	13	-0.438	140
		6	14	-0.655	333
DIVISIONS	3 **	41	15	0.204	636

\*Codes for gear categories. Last digit refers to tonnage class and the first two digits refer to countries/provinces given below:

2: Maritimes	3: Newfoundland	4: Quebec
21: Portugal	15: Spain	8: France (Metro)
		9: France (St. Pierre)

\*\*Codes for Divisions are 36 = 3Pn, 41 = 4R, 42 = 4S.

TABLE 6. Mean catch rates indices for cod in NAFO divisions 4RS and 3Pn. The proportion of catch that was used to compute the catch rates is also indicated.

PREDICTED CATCH RATE

STANDARDS USED		VARIABLE NUMBERS:		24	1	36
YEAR	TOTAL CATCH	PROP.	CATCH RATE			
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1959	58060	0.034	0.942	0.171	61623	
1960	94350	0.251	1.050	0.139	89833	
1961	100010	0.363	1.369	0.157	73034	
1962	85921	0.335	1.355	0.168	63395	
1963	74746	0.283	1.624	0.214	46012	
1964	84234	0.282	1.468	0.190	57390	
1965	68929	0.276	1.254	0.137	54974	
1966	65085	0.312	1.156	0.122	56324	
1967	79312	0.237	1.004	0.094	78967	
1968	89671	0.235	1.185	0.110	75682	
1969	71140	0.203	1.052	0.099	67607	
1970	105465	0.398	0.969	0.083	108834	
1971	83810	0.353	0.680	0.068	123338	
1972	58237	0.301	0.789	0.078	73780	
1973	65805	0.262	0.672	0.071	97919	
1974	66436	0.303	0.969	0.089	68556	
1975	60233	0.267	0.762	0.075	79061	
1976	76981	0.142	0.743	0.064	103642	
1977	73566	0.273	0.766	0.063	96002	
1978	78506	0.220	0.788	0.069	99659	
1979	82777	0.210	0.800	0.074	103429	
1980	97579	0.200	0.838	0.068	116483	
1981	97911	0.281	1.613	0.156	60689	
1982	104939	0.192	1.625	0.145	64598	
1983	106878	0.166	1.402	0.139	76243	
1984	93164	0.190	1.183	0.119	78749	
1985	56000	0.213	1.140	0.124	49109	

AVERAGE C.V. FOR THE MEAN: .104

Table 7. Monthly breakdown catch rates by fishing fleet component for the 4RS, 3Pn cod stock.

QUEBEC TC2 (7a)

YEAR	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1974												
1975								0.076	0.085			
1976					0.152	0.081	0.089	0.117	0.108	0.069		
1977					0.144	0.102	0.109	0.135	0.143	0.136	0.168	
1978					0.119	0.163	0.132	0.098	0.083	0.090	0.194	
1979					0.117	0.133	0.134	0.101	0.088	0.128		
1980				0.075	0.167	0.154	0.135	0.110	0.172	0.381		
1981					0.208	0.190	0.161					
1982					0.378	0.188	0.161	0.262	0.204	0.252		
1983					0.301	0.216	0.281	0.273		0.239		
1984					0.229	0.135	0.100	0.068	0.086	0.101	0.088	
1985					0.121	0.090						

QUEBEC TC3 (7b)

YEAR	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1974												
1975						0.084	0.175	0.124	0.120	0.129		
1976				0.185	0.145	0.131	0.147	0.166	0.147	0.138	0.159	
1977					0.179	0.134	0.220	0.184	0.206	0.170	0.173	
1978					0.318	0.169	0.245	0.132	0.129	0.104	0.095	0.121
1979					0.299	0.146	0.193	0.199	0.142	0.103	0.143	
1980		0.632	2.000		0.192	0.190	0.190	0.157	0.400	0.458		
1981				0.282	0.302	0.317	0.287	0.265	0.357	0.728	0.692	
1982				0.387	0.446	0.376	0.289	2.139	0.300	0.405		
1983					0.404	0.558	0.381				0.135	
1984					0.266	0.195	0.288	0.122	0.113	0.121	0.084	
1985					0.186	0.170	0.157	0.070				

MARITIMES TC5 (7c)

Table 7 continued. Monthly breakdown catch rates by fishing fleet component for the 4RS, 3Pn cod stock.

MARITIMES TC4 (7d)

YEAR	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1974					0.565	0.848			0.644		0.368	
1975					0.314							
1976				0.492	0.548	0.626			0.520	0.290	0.569	
1977	0.662	0.717	1.696	0.539	0.548						0.750	
1978		1.279		1.160	0.975							
1979	1.000	0.444			0.538						0.454	
1980	0.929	0.519		0.395	0.831							
1981	1.559	1.658			0.781					0.354		
1982	1.385	1.518	2.280	15.235	1.692							
1983	1.235			1.903	2.053							
1984												
1985												

NEWFOUNDLAND TC4 (7e)

YEAR	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1974	0.676	0.957	0.447	0.487	0.760	0.675					0.697	
1975	0.355	1.294	0.618	0.646	0.411						0.624	
1976	0.527	0.377	1.013	0.333	0.434	0.780			0.775	0.304	0.593	0.410
1977	0.688	0.513	0.367	0.539	0.304							
1978	0.823	0.300										
1979	1.143		0.687		0.361							
1980		0.579	0.652	0.638								
1981	1.294	0.983	6.410								0.160	
1982		1.328	0.373	1.153	0.208							
1983				0.629		0.788						
1984		1.383	1.361		0.694							
1985				0.904								

NEWFOUNDLAND TC5 (7f)

YEAR	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1974	0.739	0.758	1.640	0.901	0.855	0.993					1.231	
1975				0.524	0.554							
1976	0.689	0.311	0.378	0.862	0.877					1.052		
1977	0.821	0.907	0.281	0.463	0.674							
1978	1.141	0.668										
1979	1.509	1.212										
1980		0.670	0.604	1.107								
1981	2.139											
1982		1.812	1.780	4.178	2.207							
1983	0.985	1.376	0.950	1.281	2.547							
1984				0.571	1.039	0.500	0.763					
1985		3.136	2.976	2.009	1.249							

Table 7 continued. Monthly breakdown catch rates by fishing fleet component for the 4RS, 3Pn cod stock.

FRANCE T06+7 ( 7g)

Table 8. 4RS, 3Pn minimum exploitable biomass estimates in Gadus Atlantica winter groundfish surveys.

Division & Strata	Gadus 4 1978		Gadus 16 1979		Gadus 31 1980		Gadus 46 1981		Gadus 73 1983		Gadus 89 1984		Gadus 104 1985	
	No. Total	Weight	No. Total	Weight	No. Total	Weight	No. Total	Weight	No. Total	Weight	No. Total	Weight	No. Total	Weight
<b>3Pn</b>														
302	3	8872	3	1073	3	3036	3	5063	4	3449	5	2656	3	169
303	3	2457	3	96	3	2786	4	1536	6	6459	8	2220	4	912
304	3	126	3	108	3	645	3	355	5	1867	5	53	3	416
305	3	271	3	170	2	508	5	5518	8	338	9	27	6	777
<b>4R</b>														
801	3	127	3	1299	2	126	2	66	3	2207	2	2737	3	2241
802	3	1861	2	646	3	10523	2	2112	7	308	5	395	3	27
809	3	3509	3	4524	3	1924	2	4156	6	1786	5	2421	8	3081
810	3	1810	3	583	4	8888	2	3515	5	1361	4	1084	3	72
811	5	8188	5	3686	4	20412	2	31536	7	6920	7	76743	7	2293
812	5	16032	5	7435	3	882	7	1068	10	8266	9	35882	14	24411
813	3	7452	4	541	4	1576	6	267	7	25176	10	21197	10	13574
820	4	5157	4	4021	4	103644	2	45384	7	3172	5	3668	5	2482
821	4	59447	4	2943	4	5082	2	6329	7	4251	5	12866	5	3902
822	4	59823	4	37986	5	224	5	312	10	16541	13	35161	10	24737
AB	2	8348	5	170	5	18	2	0	4	2689	7	6067	6	2320
<b>4S</b>														
803	6	1592		0	7	18568	4	6871	11	1162	17	2443	15	1893
804	3	515		0	2	1035	3	2034	5	508	5	817	3	282
807	3	855	2	277	3	180	2	227	5	4390	6	320	6	960
808	3	5167	3	4557	3	8844	3	9779	8	8194	6	24154	6	1643
814	3	535	3	61	3	95	2	92	3	23966	3	10811	5	4797
815	3	1006	4	1275	3	1109	6	495	7	30451	8	77504	10	18890
816	5	1158	3	5899	3	1195	7	101	10	10499	4	798	4	6387
819	2	312	2	2655	3	79	2	24	3	11949	4	9639	7	22981
827	4	176		0	2	9	5	35	4	11319	5	273	5	109
833	3	114		0	2	0	2	0	2	843	3	2371	3	301
CD	5	503	2	24653	6	88	6	116	9	19822	8	82	6	14510

Table 9. 4RS, 3Pn cod, catch at age ('000) and mean weights at age (kg).

A. 4RS 3PN COD: CATCH AT AGE												10/ 2/86
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
1 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 I	0	12	3	0	0	0	1	2	12	207	0	0
3 I	741	35	217	14	60	71	605	316	229	687	31	
4 I	4069	4313	5210	2672	2644	3387	3569	6689	3231	3489	2526	
5 I	9607	7707	12535	10124	10656	13962	17515	8999	18782	10596	7032	
6 I	13498	5091	6323	12756	17391	12806	20196	20054	12747	21386	11835	
7 I	5303	7185	4244	7943	9174	12632	11624	13971	13768	10953	17654	
8 I	6658	2930	5750	2628	2135	4846	7063	4730	8673	7363	6587	
9 I	2794	2757	1991	3274	1050	1438	1531	2154	3372	3686	5128	
10 I	1509	1719	2561	1098	1245	722	482	939	2109	1421	1943	
11 I	413	740	993	894	531	537	289	294	618	916	821	
12 I	173	316	395	394	435	300	323	172	145	248	403	
13 I	82	135	147	291	232	140	78	163	74	245	150	
14 I	31	89	69	84	126	88	79	74	42	37	34	
15 I	23	28	45	20	27	29	31	71	24	23	28	
16 I	32	16	6	22	11	20	18	44	13	16	39	
17 I	3	5	0	16	5	5	9	25	14	29	17	
18 I	6	5	3	7	6	0	2	9	7	2	2	
19 I	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	0	1	0	2	
20 I	0	5	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	1	1	
21 I	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
22 I	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
23 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
24 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
B. 4RS 3PN COD: MEAN WEIGHTS AT AGE												10/ 2/86
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
1 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 I	0.00	0.06	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.12	0.93	0.00	
3 I	0.46	0.40	0.44	0.46	0.57	0.35	0.49	0.57	0.45	0.31	0.42	
4 I	0.64	0.72	0.76	0.65	0.75	0.64	0.61	0.79	0.85	0.85	0.81	
5 I	0.99	1.00	1.13	1.02	0.96	0.93	0.92	0.98	1.11	1.22	1.02	
6 I	1.31	1.52	1.68	1.48	1.44	1.42	1.33	1.32	1.44	1.55	1.44	
7 I	1.67	1.89	2.15	2.02	1.98	1.86	1.90	1.85	1.76	1.84	1.79	
8 I	1.98	2.34	2.60	2.52	2.63	2.58	2.39	2.49	2.12	2.10	2.08	
9 I	2.51	2.61	2.90	2.77	3.22	3.40	3.36	3.34	2.66	2.39	2.36	
10 I	2.89	3.08	3.12	3.17	3.32	3.83	4.13	4.55	3.13	3.31	2.78	
11 I	4.46	4.16	3.91	3.35	3.22	3.97	4.41	6.04	3.88	4.53	3.47	
12 I	5.59	4.50	4.83	4.23	3.86	5.23	3.84	7.43	5.70	4.18	3.71	
13 I	5.57	4.30	6.90	4.13	5.12	5.38	5.54	5.93	6.02	6.61	4.75	
14 I	6.61	6.57	5.26	4.48	5.90	5.35	4.16	7.96	6.41	5.99	7.48	
15 I	8.64	6.53	7.40	8.08	7.34	6.28	7.54	5.34	6.04	6.54	7.45	
16 I	7.81	5.02	9.86	9.57	6.48	7.37	5.39	8.94	7.32	5.99	6.61	
17 I	0.01	3.43	0.00	13.14	6.67	7.34	6.11	12.42	7.46	5.61	4.64	
18 I	12.22	9.51	8.71	7.51	5.69	0.00	15.31	9.48	11.00	7.88	14.17	
19 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.97	0.00	3.87	8.90	7.96	15.31	24.59	13.55	
20 I	0.00	9.51	0.00	4.84	0.00	11.60	17.67	8.07	13.87	13.76	10.88	
21 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.35	0.00	16.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.02	
22 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
23 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.93	
24 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.94	0.00	0.00	18.94	0.00	

Table 10. 4RS 3Pn cod, catch at age ('000) for inshore gears and mean weights at age (kg).

4RS 3PN COD: INSHORE CATCH AT AGE 10/ 2/86

I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
1 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
3 I	688	0	0	1	48	31	567	283	10	106	27
4 I	2829	19	8	364	1223	1692	2775	2767	1566	2582	1440
5 I	4990	53	245	2175	3555	5804	10028	2250	6217	5848	3712
6 I	3968	626	931	3392	4372	4211	9412	4851	5398	7244	4190
7 I	1216	1332	1555	2700	3442	4352	5379	5909	5362	4332	5709
8 I	1175	1300	2339	1021	1167	2411	3443	1944	4042	2575	2532
9 I	716	1064	1193	1189	635	813	953	1330	1967	1454	2141
10 I	326	763	1469	284	594	513	261	664	1574	872	1027
11 I	212	545	573	265	178	290	170	261	536	671	473
12 I	41	185	224	141	216	191	160	142	86	198	193
13 I	17	65	98	92	154	96	37	151	64	223	83
14 I	15	67	54	27	52	54	24	69	33	31	25
15 I	6	10	35	19	11	22	17	54	13	19	13
16 I	0	0	4	5	5	16	13	40	13	9	21
17 I	3	0	0	5	1	3	4	23	10	29	17
18 I	6	5	3	1	1	0	2	9	5	2	1
19 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	2
20 I	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
21 I	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
22 I	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
23 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
24 I	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

4RS 3PN COD: INSHORE MEAN WEIGHTS AT AGE

10/ 2/86

I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
1 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 I	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.46	0.65	0.43	0.49	0.59	0.43	0.51	0.40
4 I	0.63	0.91	0.58	0.66	0.81	0.70	0.60	0.81	0.95	0.85	0.75
5 I	0.97	1.11	1.71	0.98	1.08	0.96	0.89	1.09	1.15	1.19	0.95
6 I	1.34	2.22	2.22	1.60	1.73	1.62	1.28	1.53	1.58	1.65	1.37
7 I	1.77	2.53	2.52	2.31	2.28	2.16	1.99	2.19	1.84	2.03	1.85
8 I	2.39	2.81	2.95	2.90	2.81	3.00	2.60	3.21	2.21	2.50	2.18
9 I	2.92	3.21	3.16	3.14	3.49	3.88	3.50	3.94	2.76	2.88	2.52
10 I	4.04	3.87	3.32	3.44	3.83	4.09	4.53	5.18	3.03	3.82	3.00
11 I	4.49	4.36	4.43	3.84	4.20	4.79	4.98	6.26	3.79	5.08	3.72
12 I	6.32	5.55	5.46	4.59	4.33	6.28	4.19	8.02	6.09	4.04	4.07
13 I	7.64	5.21	7.39	4.07	5.68	5.94	6.50	5.92	6.12	6.49	5.68
14 I	6.96	7.22	5.51	4.64	8.81	6.29	5.22	8.11	7.02	5.79	7.20
15 I	8.78	7.96	8.35	8.05	6.81	6.65	8.64	5.76	6.01	6.39	6.47
16 I	0.00	0.00	7.96	11.03	7.03	8.12	5.39	9.37	7.32	6.43	8.39
17 I	5.97	0.00	0.00	6.46	7.63	8.40	5.29	12.98	8.09	5.49	4.64
18 I	12.22	9.51	8.71	9.16	7.96	0.00	15.31	9.48	13.11	6.26	14.59
19 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.90	7.96	15.31	24.59	13.55
20 I	0.00	9.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.24	0.00	7.33	6.59	14.13	10.88
21 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.02
22 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.93
24 I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.94	0.00	0.00	18.94	0.00

Table 11. 4RS 3Pn cod, catch at age ('000) for trawlers and mean weights at age (kg).

Table 12. 4RS 3Pn cod commercial sampling in 1984.

GEAR	QUARTER	COUNTRY	DIVISION	LENGTH MEASUREMENTS	OTOLITHS
OTB	1	CAN(N) CAN(M) FRA(SPM)	4R 4R 3Pn 4R	8689 137 612 8783	386 0 0 354
	2	CAN(N) CAN(M) CAN(Q)	4R 4R 4S	7279 619 1583	336 65 270
	3	CAN(N) CAN(M)	4R 4R 4S	9615 56 725	350 0 188
	4	CAN(Q) CAN(N) CAN(M)	4S 4R 4R 4S	6518 3377 219 1205	425 236 0 174
		CAN(Q)	4S	3139	309
SN	3	CAN(N) CAN(M)	4R 4S	2031 290	256 37
LL	1	CAN(N)	3Pn	3165	354
	2	CAN(N)	3Pn 4R	511 9657	99 531
	3	CAN(Q) CAN(N)	4S 3Pn 4R	1028 2065 6634	375 269 564
	4	CAN(Q) CAN(N) CAN(Q)	4S 4R 4S	817 2220 554	282 289 235
GN	2	CAN(N) CAN(Q)	4R 4S	5031 1439	365 207
	3	CAN(N) CAN(Q)	4R 4S	5995 2945	430 385
	4	CAN(N)	4R	1680	191
FIX	2	CAN(N)	4R	2285	220
LMP	2	CAN(N) CAN(N) CAN(Q)	4R 4R 4S	612 1030 111	91 115 20
FPN	3	CAN(N)	4R	1078	89
TOTAL				103734	8497

## AGE1IN

## Quarter 1

AGE	AVERAGE		CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.357	34.000	3	3.33	1.05
4	0.668	41.166	118	21.80	0.19
5	0.814	44.502	257	34.66	0.13
6	1.206	50.857	339	48.00	0.14
7	1.579	55.639	746	61.22	0.08
8	1.912	59.093	236	40.69	0.17
9	2.184	61.616	146	31.51	0.22
10	2.717	65.723	131	26.17	0.20
11	3.000	68.491	50	14.29	0.28
12	2.703	65.942	26	12.17	0.47
13	4.479	79.566	5	2.59	0.54
14	6.025	87.890	2	1.89	0.87
15	7.352	94.000	1	1.21	1.07
16					
17	12.181	112.000		0.01	
18	9.506	103.000		0.01	
<b>TOTAL CATCH:</b> 3221					

## AGE2IN

## Quarter 2

AGE	AVERAGE		CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.399	35.239	14	7.13	0.52
4	0.756	43.560	360	51.28	0.14
5	0.928	46.615	1134	83.02	0.07
6	1.356	52.786	1662	101.75	0.06
7	1.789	57.907	2049	97.46	0.05
8	2.149	61.236	976	69.13	0.07
9	2.456	63.768	796	59.08	0.07
10	3.312	70.240	339	33.25	0.10
11	4.334	77.005	134	17.53	0.13
12	4.225	76.368	64	12.27	0.19
13	7.423	92.856	29	5.59	0.19
14	8.026	94.658	8	3.19	0.38
15	6.894	90.464	6	2.56	0.41
16	8.833	98.316	9	3.27	0.38
17	3.590	70.725	14	8.22	0.60
18	15.312	121.000			
19	7.959	97.000	1	0.89	1.01
20	9.506	103.000	1	0.98	1.02
<b>TOTAL CATCH:</b> 13628					

## AGE3IN

## Quarter 3

AGE	AVERAGE		CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.424	35.962	8	2.37	0.28
4	0.771	43.907	859	69.75	0.08
5	0.967	47.340	2200	102.09	0.05
6	1.394	53.256	2041	104.53	0.05
7	1.933	59.440	2547	100.03	0.04
8	2.233	62.175	1116	70.21	0.06
9	2.604	64.969	1026	64.16	0.06
10	2.952	67.773	435	41.27	0.09
11	3.637	72.684	249	28.08	0.11
12	4.429	77.440	91	14.66	0.16
13	4.867	78.463	44	11.53	0.26
14	7.042	90.607	13	3.89	0.29
15	6.623	89.821	4	1.69	0.44
16	8.069	92.980	12	3.92	0.34
17	11.075	107.914	2	0.73	0.45
18	20.481	133.429		0.38	1.01
19	17.108	124.617	1	1.13	0.82
20	14.216	118.000		0.43	1.08
21	20.018	132.400		0.30	1.14
22					
23	24.930	142.600	1	0.31	0.58
<b>TOTAL CATCH:</b> 18884					

## AGE4IN

## Quarter 4

AGE	AVERAGE		CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.450	36.729	1	0.83	0.64
4	0.707	42.589	103	8.65	0.08
5	1.012	48.123	120	11.20	0.09
6	1.640	56.588	148	16.02	0.11
7	2.111	61.475	366	23.50	0.06
8	2.317	63.311	203	19.19	0.09
9	2.577	65.392	172	17.55	0.10
10	2.608	65.582	121	15.26	0.13
11	3.043	69.477	40	8.38	0.21
12	3.414	71.832	12	4.39	0.36
13	4.159	76.066	5	2.58	0.48
14	4.851	81.750	1	0.78	0.81
15	4.461	77.152	2	1.65	0.81
16	8.422	97.018		0.29	0.81
17	5.761	85.807	1	0.84	0.64
<b>TOTAL CATCH:</b> 2723					

TABLE 13. Quaterly catch-at-age vector of inshore gears for Divisions 4RS, 3Pn Cod.

## AGE10TB

## Quarter 1

AGE	AVERAGE			CATCH			AGE	AVERAGE			CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN
3	0.441	36.427	1	1.23	0.92	4	0.959	47.158	169	45.60	0.27		
4	0.728	42.972	285	41.82	0.15	5	1.031	48.529	762	86.81	0.11		
5	0.993	47.713	1171	128.70	0.11	6	1.482	54.650	2367	222.67	0.09		
6	1.454	54.339	3395	278.75	0.08	7	1.709	57.298	3899	248.11	0.06		
7	1.798	58.215	4501	307.32	0.07	8	2.009	60.356	1226	164.76	0.13		
8	2.086	60.998	1556	200.11	0.13	9	2.349	63.479	684	108.55	0.16		
9	2.294	62.781	1172	171.93	0.15	10	2.798	66.811	223	58.12	0.26		
10	2.598	65.779	390	91.88	0.24	11	2.858	66.428	166	54.58	0.33		
11	3.490	71.894	116	41.07	0.36	12	4.008	73.827	63	25.75	0.41		
12	3.055	69.275	124	39.74	0.32	13	5.452	82.760	15	6.81	0.45		
13	2.732	66.010	47	37.33	0.80	14	11.071	108.267	3	2.51	0.78		
14	6.389	89.000	5	3.42	0.66	15	10.002	102.842	5	2.65	0.52		
15	9.506	103.000	7	0.02		16	11.240	109.000	3	3.60	1.07		
16	3.216	70.510	15	12.50	0.81	17							
18	14.216	118.000	1	0.79	0.89	18	13.172	115.000		0.59	1.32		

TOTAL CATCH: 21575

TOTAL CATCH: 15599

## AGE30TB

## Quarter 3

AGE	AVERAGE			CATCH			AGE	AVERAGE			CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN
3	0.569	39.777	2	1.17	0.47	3	0.531	38.711		0.13	0.73		
4	0.950	47.002	459	53.83	0.12	4	0.900	46.299	173	14.51	0.08		
5	1.229	51.361	1106	119.25	0.11	5	1.214	51.176	280	27.49	0.10		
6	1.489	54.810	1555	152.11	0.10	6	1.600	56.146	328	34.25	0.10		
7	1.734	57.567	2883	175.65	0.06	7	1.860	58.936	663	40.55	0.06		
8	1.928	59.437	1024	118.73	0.12	8	1.894	59.092	249	29.46	0.12		
9	2.136	61.484	945	107.66	0.11	9	2.171	62.017	186	24.39	0.13		
10	2.209	61.580	236	55.06	0.23	10	2.322	63.244	67	15.20	0.23		
11	3.285	70.670	51	18.09	0.35	11	2.847	67.708	15	5.86	0.40		
12	3.389	71.448	17	8.47	0.50	12	3.571	73.524	6	2.14	0.38		
13	7.756	95.421	3	0.70	0.22	13	3.006	69.577	2	1.56	0.77		
14	14.216	118.000											
15	1.810	52.838	3	2.06	0.80								

TOTAL CATCH: 13831

TOTAL CATCH: 3699

TABLE 14. Quaterly catch-at-age vector for offshore gears for 4RS, 3Pn cod.

AGE $\Delta$ OTB $\Delta$ TOT

AVERAGE			CATCH		
AGE	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.525	38.604	4	1.70	0.43
4	0.885	45.858	1086	83.29	0.08
5	1.099	49.408	3320	197.67	0.06
6	1.476	54.608	7644	389.36	0.05
7	1.757	57.799	11945	434.17	0.04
8	2.011	60.293	4055	286.62	0.07
9	2.249	62.483	2988	231.37	0.08
10	2.526	64.761	916	122.81	0.13
11	3.130	68.923	348	70.90	0.20
12	3.379	70.927	209	48.15	0.23
13	3.596	71.312	67	37.99	0.57
14	8.299	96.799	9	4.25	0.49
15	8.331	94.106	15	3.35	0.23
16	4.651	77.394	19	13.01	0.69
17					
18	13.868	117.001	1	0.99	0.74

TOTAL CATCH: 54704

AGE $\Delta$ INATOT

AVERAGE			CATCH		
AGE	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.405	35.394	27	8.26	0.31
4	0.754	43.502	1440	89.71	0.06
5	0.946	46.947	3712	136.55	0.04
6	1.372	52.993	4190	154.42	0.04
7	1.847	58.525	5709	154.30	0.03
8	2.177	61.617	2552	108.53	0.04
9	2.519	64.328	2141	94.39	0.04
10	3.000	68.067	1027	61.05	0.06
11	3.716	73.189	473	37.02	0.08
12	4.067	75.193	193	23.08	0.12
13	5.683	83.282	83	13.33	0.16
14	7.203	91.404	25	5.43	0.22
15	6.471	88.525	13	3.69	0.28
16	8.392	95.259	21	5.11	0.25
17	4.642	76.260	17	8.30	0.49
18	14.590	117.389	1	0.38	0.39
19	15.551	115.880	2	1.44	0.63
20	10.878	107.371	1	1.07	0.79
21	20.018	132.400		0.30	1.14
22					
23	24.930	142.600	1	0.31	0.58

TOTAL CATCH: 38460

TABLE 15. Catch-at-age vector, average weights and variance of catch for inshore (IN) and offshore (OTB) years in Divisions 4RS, 3Pn.

TABLE 16. Catch-at-age vector, average weights and variance of catch  
for cod in NAFO Divisions 4RS, 3Pn.

AGE@TOT@1984

AGE	AVERAGE		CATCH		
	WEIGHT	LENGTH	MEAN	STD. ERR.	C. V.
3	0.420	35.812	31	8.43	0.28
4	0.811	44.515	2526	122.41	0.05
5	1.018	48.109	7032	240.25	0.03
6	1.439	54.036	11835	418.86	0.04
7	1.786	58.033	17654	460.77	0.03
8	2.075	60.802	6587	306.41	0.05
9	2.362	63.253	5128	249.88	0.05
10	2.777	66.509	1943	137.15	0.07
11	3.468	71.383	821	79.98	0.10
12	3.709	72.975	403	53.40	0.13
13	4.750	77.932	150	40.26	0.27
14	7.484	92.787	34	6.89	0.21
15	7.449	91.459	28	4.98	0.18
16	6.606	86.728	39	13.97	0.36
17	4.642	76.260	17	8.30	0.49
18	14.172	117.164	2	1.06	0.46
19	13.551	113.880	2	1.44	0.63
20	10.878	107.371	1	1.07	0.79
21	20.018	132.400		0.30	1.14
22					
23	24.930	142.600	1	0.31	0.58

TOTAL CATCH: 93164

Table 17. Ratios table F/F (7-11) and partial recruitment for cod in Divisions 4RS 3Pn.

Terminal F	F (7+)	Mean Biomass	Exploitable Biomass
.15	23.89	7.90	17.17
.2	19.22	4.65	13.08
.25	14.81	2.87	9.48
.3	11.23	4.20	6.57
.35	8.14	4.75	3.96
.4	6.23	9.44	5.31
.45	6.19	12.05	7.11
.5	7.67	14.53	9.39

Table 18: Coefficients of variation of fully recruited fishing mortality (F 7+), mean biomass, and exploitable biomass for the years 1982 to 1984 obtained from cohort analyses using different levels of terminal fishing mortality.

Table 19. Results of cohort analysis at  $F_t = 0.35$ .

4RS 3Pn Cod: Population Numbers											17/ 2/86	
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
4 I	55192	78915	112662	101205	139571	158065	113617	187492	108218	88455	101302	
5 I	38036	41506	60717	90776	80441	111879	126349	89792	147453	85678	69264	
6 I	51214	22448	27034	44894	65161	56218	78966	87597	65372	103730	60560	
7 I	19000	29772	13953	17566	25214	37613	34440	46377	53573	41988	65576	
8 I	20809	10757	18148	7295	7195	12343	19365	17679	25329	31404	24467	
9 I	10118	11013	6330	8038	3595	3958	5721	9464	10195	12890	19049	
10 I	4874	5756	6573	3045	3618	1993	1940	3299	5799	5295	7218	
11 I	1682	2625	3136	2263	1500	1836	978	1152	1851	2840	3050	
12 I	646	1003	1425	1300	1044	747	1017	540	677	956	1496	
13 I	420	373	507	635	708	461	341	540	286	423	558	
14 I	113	269	171	214	257	370	251	208	295	167	125	
15 I	104	44	126	62	99	96	224	134	103	204	103	
16 I	107	65	27	53	33	57	53	155	45	63	146	
4+I	202315	204566	250810	277346	328435	385635	383259	444429	419197	374093	352915	
5+I	147123	125651	138148	176141	188864	227570	269643	256937	310979	285638	251612	
6+I	109088	84145	77431	85365	108422	115691	143294	167145	163526	199960	182348	
7+I	57873	61697	50397	40471	43262	59474	64329	79548	98153	96230	121789	
4RS 3Pn Cod: Mean Biomass											17/ 2/86	
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
4 I	30736	49704	82479	58739	94252	91331	61843	131111	81713	66368	73432	
5 I	29205	33889	68026	79015	65166	88297	97160	75417	137789	38106	60412	
6 I	51901	26727	41396	50342	71997	63199	81155	91672	76095	128910	70451	
7 I	24256	44311	23491	23429	35623	51241	47698	64383	73247	59816	90081	
8 I	30513	20054	33245	13177	14234	22234	33049	33878	39106	52006	39051	
9 I	19394	23219	12897	15352	8732	9611	14773	25001	19906	23363	34603	
10 I	10496	13957	12575	6916	8719	5466	6240	11390	12991	13483	15417	
11 I	5857	8444	7965	5279	3474	5503	3252	5398	5255	9502	8136	
12 I	2776	3243	4592	4120	2754	2706	2897	2966	3079	3087	4269	
13 I	1890	1168	2334	1727	2667	1856	1490	2401	1330	1616	2039	
14 I	570	1133	551	668	966	1557	775	1191	1579	795	718	
15 I	717	283	567	370	558	455	1412	436	493	1132	593	
16 I	629	254	218	346	153	303	208	1055	250	293	741	
4+I	208940	226385	290335	259481	309296	343759	351953	446299	452831	448476	399943	
5+I	178204	176681	207856	200742	215044	252428	290111	315187	371118	382108	326510	
6+I	148999	142792	139831	121727	149878	164131	192950	239770	233329	294002	266099	
7+I	97098	116065	98435	71385	77880	100932	111795	148099	157234	165092	195647	
4RS 3Pn Cod: Fishing Mortality											17/ 2/86	
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
4 I	.085	.062	.016	.030	.021	.024	.035	.040	.034	.045	.028	
5 I	.327	.229	.102	.132	.158	.148	.166	.117	.152	.147	.119	
6 I	.342	.275	.231	.377	.350	.290	.332	.292	.243	.259	.242	
7 I	.369	.295	.448	.693	.514	.464	.467	.405	.334	.340	.350	
8 I	.436	.330	.614	.508	.398	.569	.516	.351	.476	.300	.350	
9 I	.364	.316	.532	.598	.390	.513	.351	.290	.455	.380	.350	
10 I	.419	.407	.866	.508	.479	.511	.321	.378	.514	.352	.350	
11 I	.317	.411	.681	.574	.497	.391	.395	.332	.461	.441	.350	
12 I	.351	.483	.609	.408	.618	.586	.432	.435	.270	.338	.350	
13 I	.243	.578	.662	.705	.449	.409	.292	.405	.339	1.022	.350	
14 I	.362	.556	.811	.570	.781	.303	.428	.500	.170	.277	.350	
15 I	.279	.656	.672	.450	.351	.398	.166	.885	.292	.133	.350	
16 I	.397	.316	.579	.615	.477	.491	.466	.376	.393	.332	.350	

Table 20. Results of cohort analysis at  $F_t = 0.25$ .

4RS 3Pn Cod: Population Numbers												17/ 2/86	
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		
4 I	55503	80053	115161	105376	147654	175529	131981	227790	140348	120405	141280		
5 I	38293	41760	61649	92822	83857	118496	140647	104827	180447	111983	95423		
6 I	51578	22659	27242	45657	66836	59014	84384	99304	77682	130743	82097		
7 I	19093	30069	14126	17736	25839	38984	36729	50813	63157	52067	87692		
8 I	20846	10834	18392	7437	7334	12854	20488	19554	28961	39251	32718		
9 I	10180	11043	6392	8237	3710	4073	6140	10383	11729	15863	25474		
10 I	4885	5807	6597	3096	3781	2088	2034	3641	6552	6552	9653		
11 I	1688	2634	3178	2283	1542	1969	1056	1229	2132	3456	4079		
12 I	648	1008	1433	1334	1061	781	1126	603	740	1186	2001		
13 I	421	374	510	641	736	475	369	630	338	475	746		
14 I	113	271	172	217	262	393	262	231	368	209	167		
15 I	105	65	127	63	102	100	243	143	122	264	138		
16 I	107	65	28	54	33	59	56	171	53	79	195		
4+I	203462	206643	255010	284955	342747	414816	425513	519319	512628	482532	481663		
5+I	147959	126590	139848	179579	195093	239287	293532	291529	372281	362127	340383		
6+I	109666	84829	78199	86757	111236	120791	152885	186701	191834	250144	244960		
7+I	58088	62170	50957	41100	44401	61777	68502	87398	114152	119401	162863		
4RS 3Pn Cod: Mean Biomass												17/ 2/86	
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		
4 I	30916	50443	84323	61195	99767	101539	72011	159846	106371	90863	102805		
5 I	29438	34122	69123	80915	68156	93913	109086	88788	170985	117162	84577		
6 I	52338	27015	41754	51374	74200	66827	87719	105814	92233	167007	98632		
7 I	24399	44824	23855	23754	36767	53599	51702	71913	88695	76784	126114		
8 I	30581	20221	33855	13507	14571	23462	35532	38149	46208	67059	54671		
9 I	19538	23293	13063	15868	9073	9970	16060	27803	23661	29861	48444		
10 I	10526	14109	12649	7066	9219	5802	6593	12818	15170	17286	21583		
11 I	5881	8481	8116	5342	3599	5990	3567	5821	6257	12065	11390		
12 I	2786	3263	4626	4253	2814	2873	3284	3400	3405	3963	5976		
13 I	1897	1175	2359	1751	2799	1923	1632	2889	1616	1947	2854		
14 I	573	1140	557	682	995	1670	818	1360	2006	1027	1005		
15 I	722	285	574	378	576	479	1541	482	597	1488	830		
16 I	632	256	222	353	158	318	225	1181	299	377	1038		
4+I	210226	228626	295075	266439	322693	368364	389770	520264	557503	586890	559920		
5+I	179310	178183	210752	205244	222927	266824	317758	360418	451132	496027	457115		
6+I	149871	144061	141629	124329	154771	172912	208672	271630	280147	378865	372538		
7+I	97534	117047	99875	72955	80571	106085	120953	165816	187914	211858	273906		
4RS 3Pn Cod: Fishing Mortality												17/ 2/86	
I	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		
4 I	.084	.061	.016	.028	.020	.022	.030	.033	.026	.033	.020		
5 I	.325	.227	.100	.128	.151	.140	.148	.100	.122	.110	.085		
6 I	.340	.273	.229	.369	.339	.274	.307	.253	.200	.199	.173		
7 I	.367	.292	.442	.683	.498	.443	.430	.362	.276	.265	.250		
8 I	.435	.328	.603	.495	.388	.539	.480	.311	.402	.232	.250		
9 I	.361	.315	.525	.579	.375	.494	.322	.260	.382	.297	.250		
10 I	.418	.403	.861	.497	.452	.481	.304	.335	.440	.274	.250		
11 I	.315	.409	.668	.567	.480	.359	.360	.307	.387	.347	.250		
12 I	.350	.481	.604	.395	.604	.551	.381	.379	.244	.263	.250		
13 I	.242	.575	.655	.695	.427	.395	.266	.337	.279	.846	.250		
14 I	.360	.553	.801	.559	.759	.283	.406	.438	.134	.214	.250		
15 I	.277	.651	.665	.440	.341	.378	.152	.799	.241	.101	.250		
16 I	.396	.313	.571	.602	.462	.469	.431	.336	.328	.258	.250		

Table 21. Projections of population abundance and biomass and catch biomass assuming a catch of 100,000 T (the TAC) in 1985 and  $F_{0.1} = 0.2$  in 1986 using a terminal fishing mortality of 0.35 in 1984.

POPULATION NUMBERS				POPULATION BIOMASS (AVERAGE)			
	1984	1985	1986		1984	1985	1986
4	101302	110000	110000	4	75583.63	81982.20	82546.85
5	69264	80658	87382	5	66116.07	76636.01	85450.06
6	60560	50369	58093	6	72274.36	59560.06	72759.94
7	65576	38934	31742	7	90697.18	53147.68	47042.25
8	24467	37834	21822	8	39539.26	60345.61	37788.85
9	19049	14116	21206	9	36198.14	26474.25	43178.56
10	7218	10990	7912	10	17070.59	25652.59	20049.16
11	3050	4165	6160	11	9289.68	12519.14	20104.11
12	1496	1760	2334	12	5210.87	6049.20	8711.63
13	558	863	986	13	2486.52	3796.40	4709.64
14	125	322	484	14	636.02	1619.88	2642.96
15	103	72	180	15	531.06	364.75	992.72
16	146	60	40	16	745.14	300.75	220.74
4+	352915	350144	348333	4+	416378.52	408448.53	426197.47
5+	251612	240144	238333	5+	340794.89	326466.33	343650.61
6+	182348	159485	150951	6+	274678.82	249830.32	258200.55
7+	121789	109116	92868	7+	202404.46	190270.26	185440.61
CATCH BIOMASS				FISHING MORTALITY			
	1984	1985	1986		1984	1985	1986
4	2108	2475	1315	4	.028	.030	.016
5	7838	9836	5788	5	.119	.128	.068
6	17472	15589	10051	6	.242	.262	.138
7	31744	20139	9408	7	.350	.379	.200
8	13839	22867	7558	8	.350	.379	.200
9	12669	10032	8636	9	.350	.379	.200
10	5975	9721	4010	10	.350	.379	.200
11	3251	4744	4021	11	.350	.379	.200
12	1824	2292	1742	12	.350	.379	.200
13	870	1439	942	13	.350	.379	.200
14	223	614	529	14	.350	.379	.200
15	186	138	199	15	.350	.379	.200
16	261	114	44	16	.350	.379	.200
4+	98260	100000	54243	4+	.194	.195	.098
5+	96152	97525	52928				
6+	88314	87689	47139				
7+	70842	72100	37088				

Table 22. Projections of population abundance and biomass and catch biomass assuming a catch of 100,000 T (the TAC) in 1985 and  $F_{0.1} = 0.2$  in 1986 using a terminal fishing mortality of 0.25 in 1984.

POPULATION NUMBERS				POPULATION BIOMASS (AVERAGE)			
	1984	1985	1986		1984	1985	1986
4	141280	110000	110000	4	105817.08	82392.44	82546.85
5	95423	113389	88293	5	92562.49	110012.27	36340.94
6	82097	71783	85334	6	101184.10	88507.11	106896.10
7	87692	56555	49492	7	126976.04	81937.27	73347.72
8	32718	55915	36106	8	55354.97	94655.46	62522.44
9	25474	20862	35697	9	50677.39	41526.33	72684.74
10	9653	16243	13319	10	23898.82	40237.52	33749.80
11	4079	6155	10370	11	13005.55	19636.97	33842.29
12	2001	2601	3929	12	7295.22	9488.51	14664.74
13	746	1276	1660	13	3481.13	5954.87	7927.98
14	167	476	814	14	890.43	2540.87	4449.03
15	138	106	304	15	743.48	572.13	1671.11
16	195	88	68	16	1043.20	471.74	371.58
4+1	481663	455449	435385	4+1	582929.92	577933.49	581015.33
5+1	340383	345449	325385	5+1	477112.84	495541.06	498468.47
6+1	244960	232059	237092	6+1	384550.34	385528.79	412127.53
7+1	162863	160277	151759	7+1	283366.24	297021.68	305231.44
CATCH BIOMASS				FISHING MORTALITY			
	1984	1985	1986		1984	1985	1986
4	2108	1633	1315	4	.020	.020	.016
5	7838	9269	5849	5	.085	.084	.068
6	17472	15208	14767	6	.173	.172	.138
7	31744	20383	14670	7	.250	.249	.200
8	13839	23547	12504	8	.250	.249	.200
9	12669	10330	14537	9	.250	.249	.200
10	5975	10010	6750	10	.250	.249	.200
11	3251	4885	6768	11	.250	.249	.200
12	1824	2360	2933	12	.250	.249	.200
13	870	1481	1586	13	.250	.249	.200
14	223	632	890	14	.250	.249	.200
15	186	142	334	15	.250	.249	.200
16	261	117	74	16	.250	.249	.200
4+1	98260	100000	82978	4+1	.137	.140	.115
5+1	96152	98367	81662				
6+1	88314	89097	75813				
7+1	70842	73889	61046				

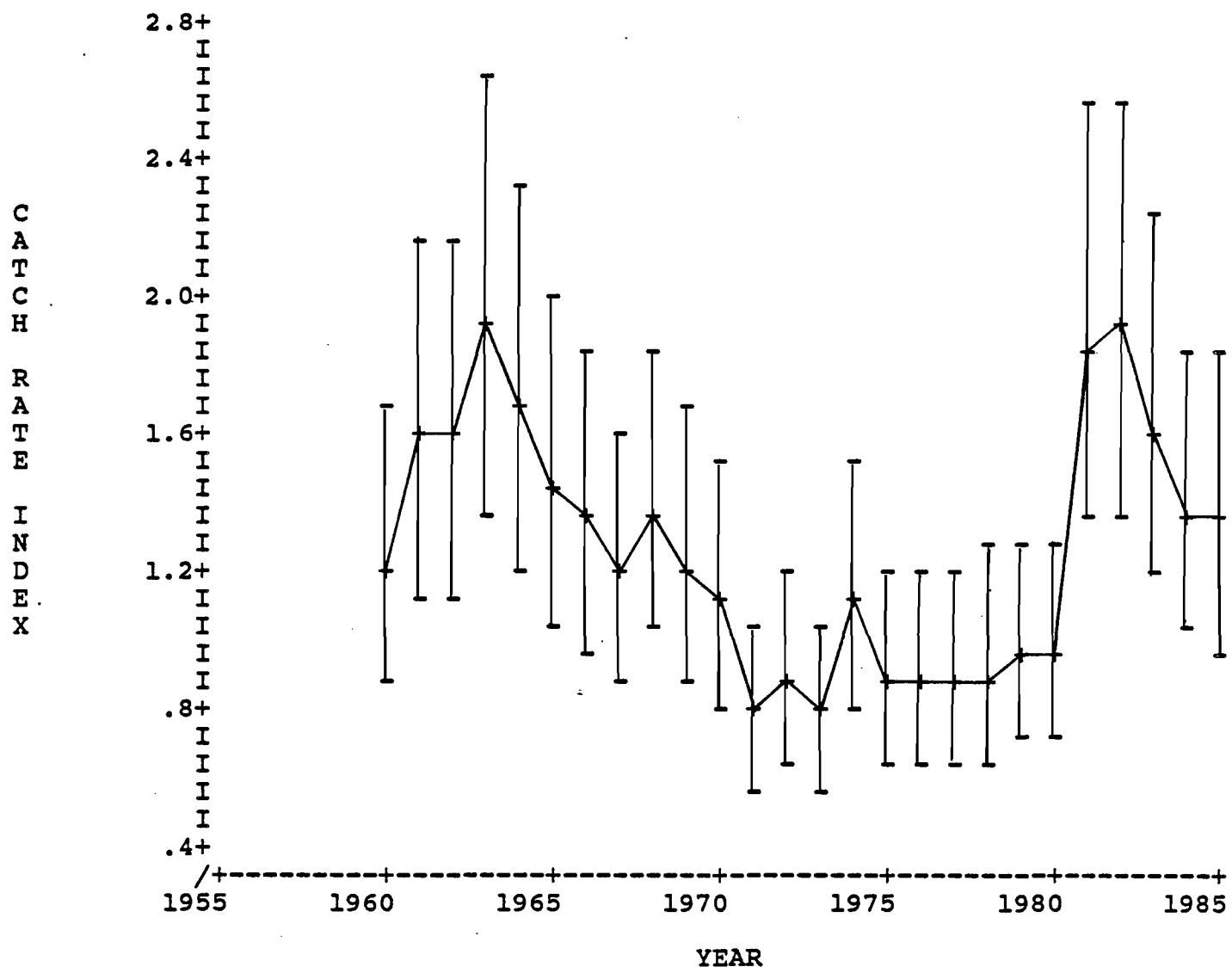


FIGURE 1. Standardized catch rates (in tonnes/hours) for cod in NAFO Divisions 4RS, 3Pn between 1959 and 1985 with 90% confidence limits.



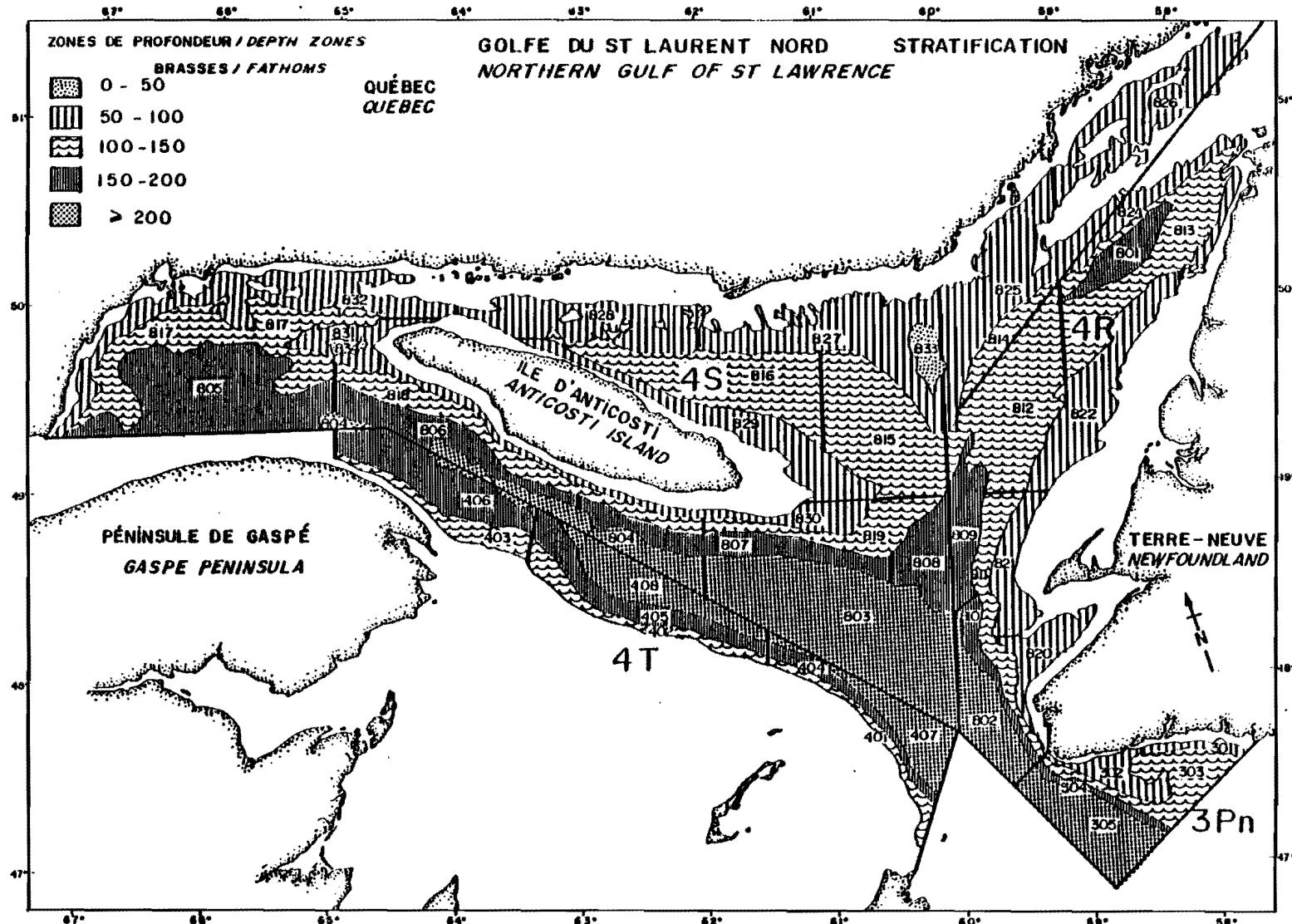


FIGURE 3: Stratification of the northern Gulf of St. Lawrence.

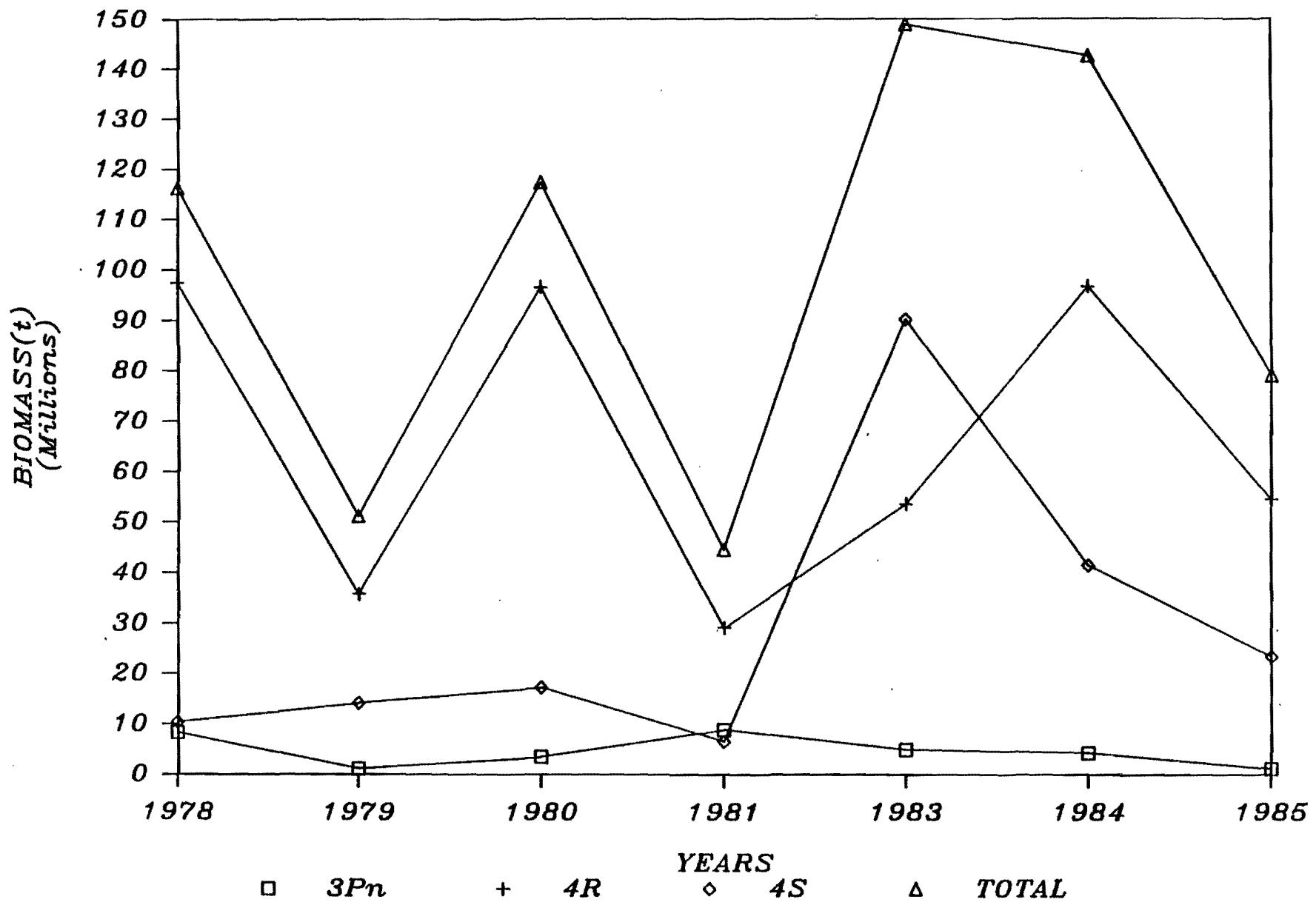
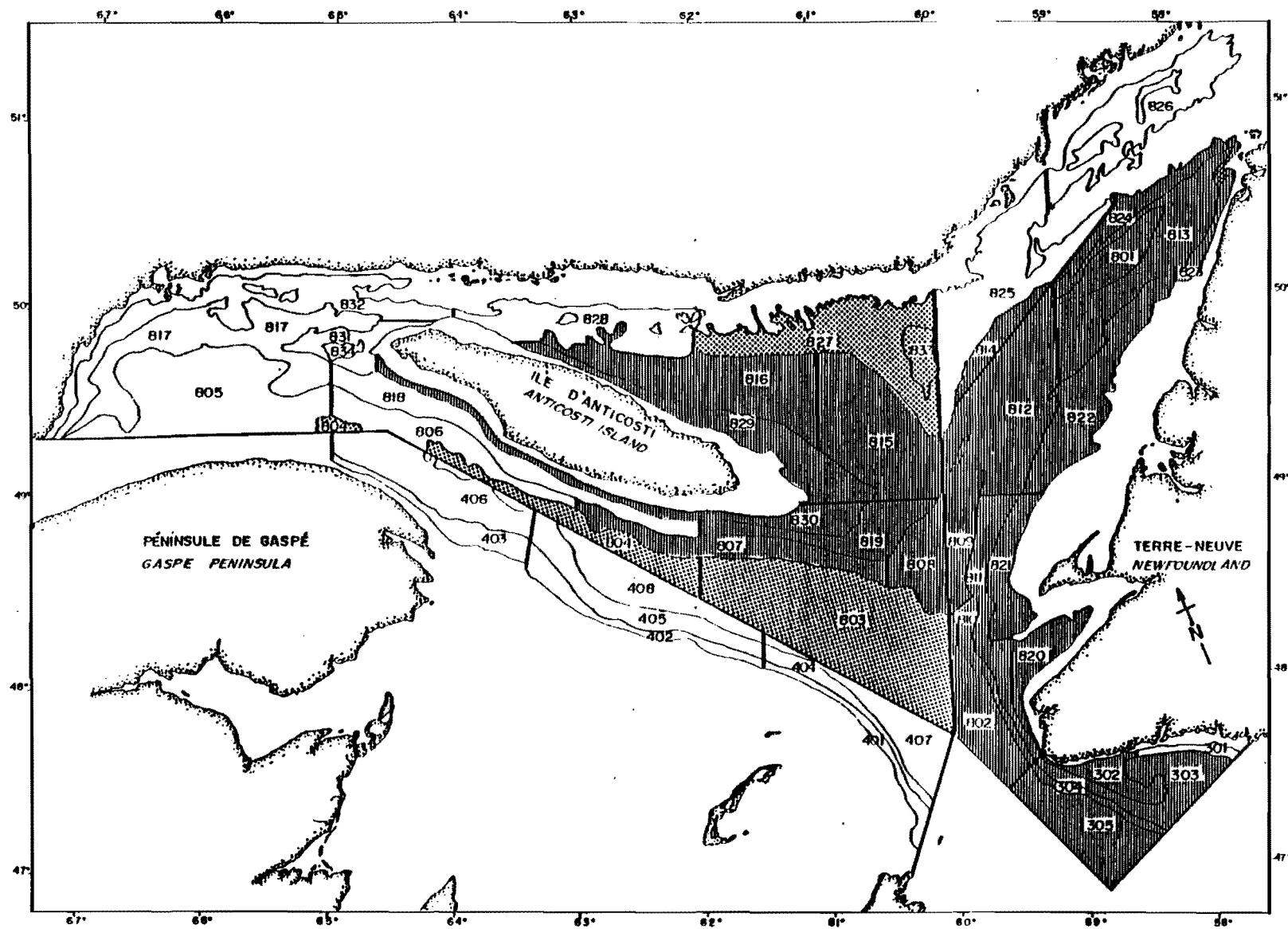


FIGURE 4. Mean trawlable biomass (per divisions and total) of cod in NAFO Divisions 4RS, 3Pn as estimated by random stratified surveys conducted on the Gadus atlantica



**FIGURE 5.** Strata used on the standardized survey numbers (vertical hatching). Slipped strata were surveyed on all years except 1979. They were not included in the standard index.