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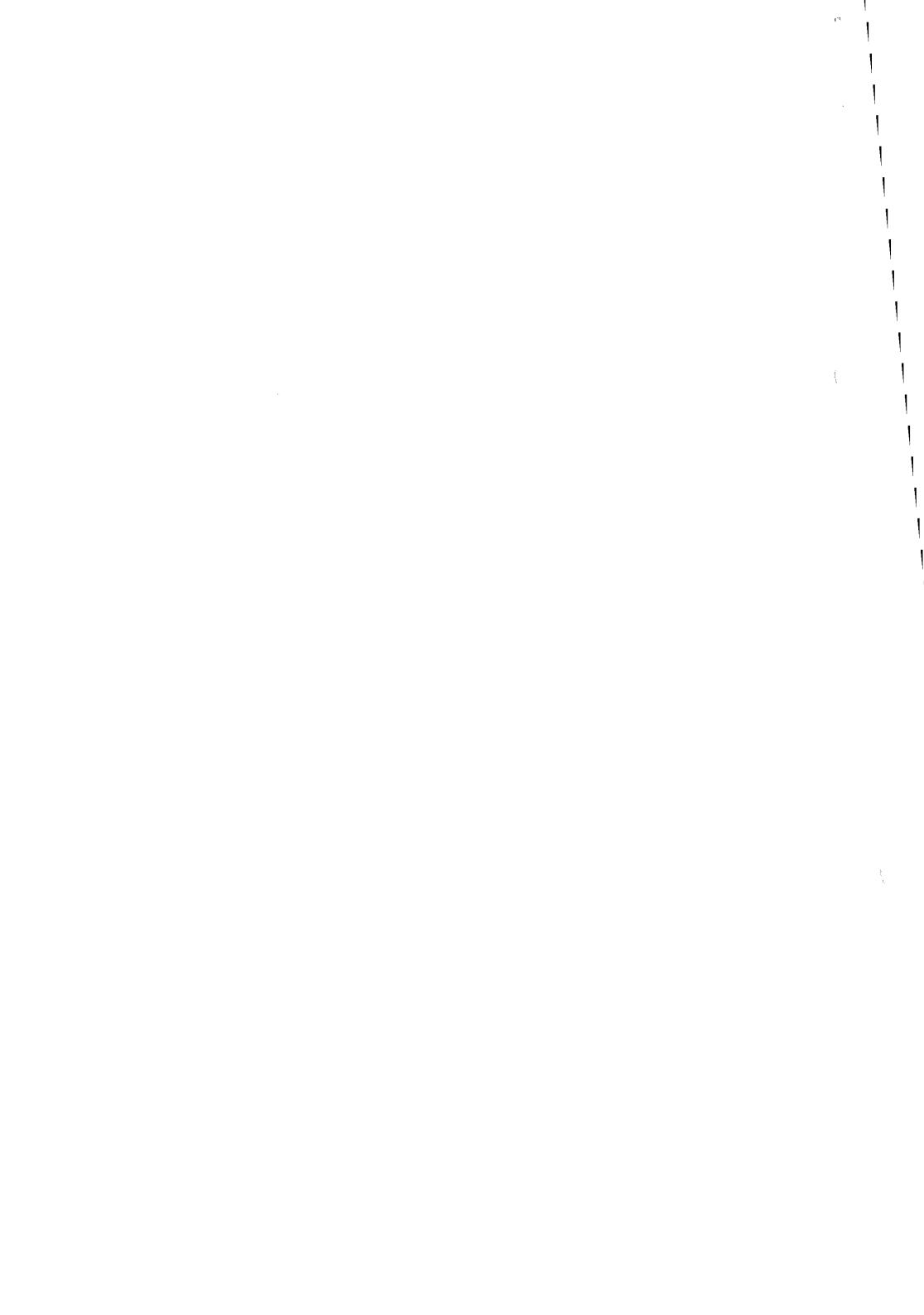


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1. PARTICIPANTS AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

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1.2 Terms of Reference

At the last Statutory Meeting, the Council adopted the following resolution (C.Res.1981/2:27:4):

"It was decided, that the Working Group on Redfish and Greenland Halibut in Region 1 (Chairman: Mr B Vaske) should meet at ICES headquarters 10-18 March 1982 to:

- (i) assess catch options for 1983 for redfish and Greenland halibut,
- (ii) estimate effective mesh sizes in use for redfish in Sub-areas V and XIV. A small Study Group, set up by the Chairman for this purpose, should meet for two days immediately preceding the main meeting at the ICES headquarters to finalize the compilation of relevant data, make preliminary assessment runs, and submit the findings to the Working Group,
- (iii) specify deficiencies in data required for assessments".

2. GENERAL COMMENTS TO ASSESSMENTS

2.1 Yield per Recruit (Figure 10)

During the present Working Group meeting, the parameters used to calculate the yield per recruit curve for Sebastes marinus in Sub-areas V and XIV have been changed only marginally compared to last year's assessment. However, the resulting  $F_{0.1}$  value was considerably

smaller compared to 1981. This is due to the different approaches as to the treatment of the oldest age group in the assessment.

The treatment in the ICES computer program of the oldest age group as a plus group is theoretically required, since this plus group simulates a continuation of the exploitation beyond the oldest age in the assessment. This can be demonstrated by adding a number of age groups with the appropriate average weights to the Y/R calculation and treating the oldest age group in this exercise not as a plus group. The results are almost identical.

The differences between these two approaches are entirely dependent on the contribution, which the last age group makes to the total yield as illustrated in the following text table.

F <sup>x</sup>	Y/R in weight	Contribution of the oldest age group	
		in weight	in % of Y/R
Age 30 a plus group			
.04	.268	.071	26.5
.08	.300	.032	10.7
.172	.306	.003	1.0
Age 30 NOT a plus group			
.04	.207	.011	5.3
.08	.275	.007	2.5
.172	.304	.001	0.3
Catch Data			
.172	Average catch 1976-81 (t) 74 335	Average catch age 30 1976-81(t) 397	% of average catch 1976-81 0.5

$$\text{*) } F_{0.1} \text{ (if age 30 a plus group)} = 0.04$$

$$F_{0.1} \text{ (if age 30 not a plus group)} = 0.08$$

$$\bar{F}_{(14-23)} \text{ 1967-81} = 0.172$$

It is obvious from the above table as well as from Figure 10 that the relative contribution to the yield per recruit of the oldest age group decreases with increasing fishing mortality. However, there are considerable differences between the two methods within the range of fishing mortalities where  $F_{0.1}$  normally lies.

Comparison of the relative contribution to the yield of the oldest age group between the Y/R calculations and the observed weights of this age group in the catches leads to the conclusion that to treat the oldest age group not as a plus group is more close to reality.

This discussion could be considered as a purely theoretical one. However, it will have a practical importance, if management objectives are being defined by reference points on the Y/R curve, e.g., F<sub>0.1</sub>. For Sebastes marinus in Sub-areas V and XIV, which served as an example in the text table above, there is a difference of 100% between the two estimates of F<sub>0.1</sub>. TACs associated with these values are 15 000 tonnes and 27 000 tonnes for F(14-23) values of 0.04 and 0.08, respectively. The difference of 12 000 tonnes represents a considerable market value, which should not be ignored by only theoretical considerations. The Working Group would, therefore, like to see this question considered by ACFM, if management strategies should be based on Y/R considerations.

## 2.2 The Standard ICES Assessment Computer Program

The Working Group reiterated the comments made last year (Doc. C.M.1981/G:7, p.2-3). In particular, the option concerning the possibilities to have the fishing patterns printed out, and the option of selecting the amount of output from the VPA program.

In addition to the above points, the Group would mention the following:

- 1) possibilities to have an option of selecting whether the oldest age group in a Y/R analysis should be a plus group or not;
- 2) an option of selecting several possibilities of fishing mortalities for the prognosis year without having to re-run the prediction program with the intermediate year (1982 in the present assessment) printed out every time.

Finally, the Working Group expressed its general satisfaction with the programs, since they had made the work of the Working Group much easier. In general, the programs are easy to use.

## 3. REDFISH IN THE NORTH-EAST ARCTIC REGION (Sub-areas I and II)

### 3.1 Status of the Fisheries

A small reduction in total redfish catches in the North-East Arctic region was recorded in 1981 (Table 1). The preliminary catch figures in 1981 were 100 940 tonnes compared to 102 765 tonnes in 1980. This was 11 940 tonnes higher than the redfish TAC for 1981 of 89 000 tonnes. The total catch in Sub-area I increased from 1 235 tonnes in 1980 to 1 904 tonnes in 1981 (Table 2). The total catch in Division IIa decreased slightly from 73 878 tonnes in 1980 to 72 321 tonnes in 1981 (Table 3). In Division IIb, the total catch in 1981 was 26 715 tonnes in comparison with 27 652 tonnes in 1980 (Table 4).

Redfish catches were split into Sebastes mentella and Sebastes marinus on the same area basis as described in last year's report. All redfish landings from Division IIb, together with the USSR, German Democratic Republic and Polish catches, from the northern part of Division IIa (Kopytov), are recorded as S. mentella. The total landings in Sub-area I, with the exception of 80% of the USSR catches, together with the rest of the German Democratic Republic, USSR and Polish catches from Division IIa and all catches taken by other countries are assumed to be S. marinus (Table 5).

Compared to 1980, the total landings in 1981 of S. marinus decreased from 23 411 tonnes to 19 702 tonnes, and those of S. mentella

increased from 79 354 tonnes to 81 238 tonnes (Table 5). Thus, the catches of S. marinus were close to the TAC of 19 000 tonnes, while the TAC of S. mentella was exceeded by about 11 000 tonnes.

### 3.2 Catch per Unit Effort and Effort

Catch per hour trawling data were available for the USSR S. mentella fishery for the period 1965-81 (Table 6). These data represent cpue values of the RT-type side trawlers (500-1000 BRT). The cpue of this vessel type in 1981 was at a level of 0.63 compared to 0.70 in 1980. Using these cpue values as a standard, the total effort in 1981 was 15% higher than in 1980.

USSR cpue data for the most recent years were also presented for stern trawlers of the BMRT-type ( $\geq 2000$  BRT). The cpue data for the BMRT vessel type decreased from 1980 to 1981 by 6%.

Catch per unit effort data were also available from the German Democratic Republic S. mentella fishery for 1976-81. These data were presented for the Z-stern trawler (995 BRT), both for bottom trawl (OTB) and midwater trawl (OTM) fishery for Divisions IIa (Kopytov) and IIb combined. Further information on the total S. mentella catch as well as the catch and effort figures used for calculating catch per unit effort data of the Z-trawler are given in Table 7. The corresponding cpue data and the derived total international effort in German Democratic Republic units are included in Table 6.

### 3.3 Recruitment (Table 8)

In the International O-Group Survey, which began in the Barents Sea in 1965, only two year classes, i.e., the 1967 and 1968 year classes, have been estimated as very poor. The 1965, 1971 and 1972 year classes were somewhat below average, while the 1966, 1969 and 1970 year classes were of average abundance. The 1973-78 year classes were estimated as more than average in abundance, and the majority of them were strong. The 1979-81 year classes are the most abundant observed in the O-group surveys.

It should be noted that the results of the International O-Group Surveys were generally in good agreement with the indices based on the findings of the annual USSR Young Fish Surveys. However, for year classes 1973-75 some disagreement was observed between the results of the International O-Group Surveys and the qualitative indices of the USSR Young Fish Surveys, where these year classes appeared to be poor.

### 3.4 Age and Length Compositions

For 1981, age and length composition data and age/length keys for S. marinus were available from the Federal Republic of Germany and the USSR for Division IIa. In addition, Soviet length distribution was available from Sub-area I. Total age composition was calculated by applying the Federal Republic of Germany age composition for Division IIa to the total catch of all countries except the USSR. The 1981 USSR length distributions were converted by means of the 1981 USSR age/length key. For fish smaller than 27 cm an age/length key from the Federal Republic of Germany for 1981 was used.

For 1980 S. marinus age distribution was adjusted to the revised catch, and for years prior to 1980 the age distributions from last year's assessment were used. Input age composition data for S. marinus are given in Table 10.

The total age composition of S. mentella for 1980 was adjusted according to the revised catch statistics. For years prior to 1980 the age distributions were left unchanged. For 1981, age compositions were available for the catches of the German Democratic Republic and the USSR. The sum of these were raised to the total landings in 1981 (Table 13).

The age compositions of S. mentella available for 1981 represent 99% of the total landings.

### 3.5 Mean Weight at Age

For 1981, the mean weights at age for S. marinus were adjusted to that the sum of products fitted with the observed catch. The mean weights used are given in Table 9.

For S. mentella, the mean weight at age used in last year's assessment was applied for the period 1965-78. For 1979 and 1980, the USSR data provided for 1980 were used in order to bring the sum of products close to the observed catch. For 1981 and the catch prediction, mean weights observed in the USSR catches have been taken.

The three sets of mean weight at age data are given in Table 12.

### 3.6 Proportion of Mature Fish at Age

Data on the proportion of mature fish at age by sex for S. mentella were presented by the USSR. These data were obtained from research vessel samples during 1966-72. For assessment purposes, the data for males and females were combined, assuming a ratio of 1:l. The proportions of mature fish at age used for spawning stock calculations are given in Table 17.

### 3.7 Assessment (Sebastes marinus)

Since no effort data were available on which to base the terminal F, a preliminary VPA run was carried out using the same F at age array as in the previous assessment, i.e.,  $\bar{F}(13-24) = 0.138$ . If the stock is considered to be in a stable state, the terminal F value can be found by plotting the resulting Fs against the catches. This was done for the values of F computed from the first VPA run. To fit the line from the first run, the terminal  $\bar{F}(13-24)$  for 1981 had to be reduced to 0.08 (Figure 1), and after the second VPA run the F was subsequently reduced to 0.07. However, it should be stressed that this method is only valid when the stock is in a stable condition up to the most recent year. According to the assessment, when we are using a predicted terminal F of 0.138 (as last year) the stock has decreased seriously in the last several years (Table 11), and hence the method of estimating the terminal Fs by the catches is not valid. However, if a terminal F value of 0.07 is used, a more or less stable stock is implied (Table 11).

A catch curve was computed from the 1981 data (Figure 2). It was agreed, however, that the F value derived by this method only represents a long-term average of about 10 years and is very sensitive to fluctuations in year class strength. It was, therefore, not considered reliable as an estimate of the present situation.

Having exhausted all possibilities of estimating the terminal fishing mortality, using the data available, the Working Group agreed that an assessment of this stock and its development in recent years was not possible at present with any degree of reliability.

### 3.8 Assessment (Sebastes mentella)

#### 3.8.1 Parameters used

Using F values derived from a preliminary VPA run, a trial terminal fishing mortality was estimated by regressing these F values on total effort in USSR units as given in last year's report. Using the total effort figure for 1981, the input F was estimated from this relationship as  $\bar{F}_{(8-19)} = 0.22$  for the trial run. From this trial VPA, the linear regression between the total effort and the mean fishing mortality was again calculated for the period 1965-78, and the mean terminal F in 1981 was estimated from this regression (Figure 3). The predicted value for 1981 of  $F = 0.21$  was very close to the mean F in the preliminary run.

As in last year's report, regression lines were also calculated between total effort in German Democratic Republic units (both OTM and OTB) and the estimated fishing mortality (Figure 4). The predicted values for the F in 1981 from these relationships for OTM data and OTB data are:  $\bar{F}_{(8-19)} = 0.31$  and  $\bar{F}_{(8-19)} = 0.19$ , respectively. The Working Group, however, was of the opinion that for the selection of the final terminal F, the USSR data should be incorporated, since 94% of the catches in 1981 was taken by the USSR. The corresponding cpue values are, therefore, considered representative. Taking into account the observed correspondence between the F in the trial run and the predicted F, it was decided to accept an F of 0.21 as the final input fishing mortality.

For the exploitation pattern of age groups 6-9, slight modifications were made in order to better comply with the average recruitment level at age 6 in 1978-81. For age groups 10 and 11, the exploitation pattern was set equal to the average in 1974-78.

Natural mortality of 0.1 was used as in the previous assessments.

#### 3.8.2 Fishing mortality (Figure 5)

Estimates of fishing mortality from VPA are given in Table 14. The calculated mean fishing mortality on age groups 8-19 was low in the period 1965-74, fluctuating around 0.08. Following the trend in effort, an increase to an average level of 0.49 was recorded for the period 1975-77, with a peak of 0.54 in 1976. Since 1978 the fishing mortality has remained fairly stable at a level of 0.24.

#### 3.8.3 Stock size

Estimates of stock size in numbers from VPA, total stock biomass and spawning stock biomass are given in Tables 15 and 16. For the biomass calculations, mean weight at age data and the proportions of mature fish at age as given in Tables 12 and 17 were used.

The results from the VPA (Figure 5) show that the total stock biomass increased steadily from about 300 000 tonnes in 1965 to 1 000 000 tonnes in 1975. By 1978 it decreased to about 600 000 tonnes and has remained fairly stable since. The level of the fully recruited biomass in the present assessment of  $631 \times 10^3$  tonnes in 1981 is slightly below that estimated in the 1981 report ( $690 \text{ tonnes} \times 10^3$ ).

The values of the spawning stock biomass are not directly comparable to those given in last year's report due to the fact that in the present assessment, a maturity ogive was introduced to calculate the spawning stock biomass. According to the present assessment, the spawning stock biomass shows an increasing trend since 1978.

#### 3.8.4 Yield per recruit

Yield per recruit and spawning stock biomass per recruit curves are plotted against mean F values calculated over age groups 8-19 (Figure 6), using the exploitation pattern and the mean weight at age

data for 1981 (Table 17). The last group was considered as a non-plus group in the calculations. To get the spawning stock biomass per recruit curve, the proportions of mature fish at age were taken into account.

The  $F_{0.1}$  and  $F_{max}$  values are 0.14 and 0.24, respectively, and are somewhat higher than those estimated in last year's report ( $F_{0.1} = 0.10$  and  $F_{max} = 0.21$ ). This difference is due to the change of the last age group into a non-plus group.

The estimated fishing mortality in 1981 of 0.21 was, therefore, between the  $F_{0.1}$  and the  $F_{max}$  level.

### 3.8.5 Catch projections

Catch projections were made for 1983, using the parameters given in Table 17. The stock size was projected to the beginning of 1983, assuming that the TAC of 70 000 tonnes in 1982 will be taken. This catch level would be achieved at a fishing mortality level of  $\bar{F}_{(8-19)} = 0.16$ , which is close to the value of 0.14 estimated in last year's report (Doc. C.M.1981/G:7). The average recruitment for 1965-77 of  $421 \times 10^6$  at age 6 was used in the projections for 1982-84.

The results of the catch projections are shown in Figure 7. The possible catch in 1983, spawning stock biomass and total stock biomass at the beginning of 1984 are plotted against the mean  $F$  in 1983 and also against the fishing mortality rate expressed as a proportion of that estimated for the year 1981.

For the following selected options of fishing mortality in 1983, the results are summarized in the text table below.

#### Sebastes mentella

#### Sub-areas I and II

1982				Management option for 1983	1983				1984	
Stock biom.	Spawning stock biomass	$\bar{F}_{(8-19)}$	Catch		Stock biom.	Spawning stock biomass	$\bar{F}_{(8-19)}$	Catch	Stock biom.	Spawning stock biomass
652	194	.16	70	$F_{0.1}$	692	227	.14	67	738	263
				$F_{max}$			.24	110	690	235
				$\bar{F}_{83} = \bar{F}_{81}$			.21	98	703	243
				$\bar{F}_{83} = \bar{F}_{82}$			.16	76	728	257
				TAC 70 000 t			.15	70	735	261

Weight in thousand tonnes.

Stock biomass = fish at age 6 to 24.

Spawning stock biomass from maturity ogive.

Under all options the spawning stock biomass at the beginning of 1984 is estimated to be higher than the 1982-83 level. The same is the case for the total stock biomass in the projections, except for the  $F_{\max}$  option.

In considering the management options presented, it should be noted that a continuation of a TAC level of 70 000 tonnes in 1983 would bring the fishing mortality very close to the  $F_{0,1}$  value, and both the total stock biomass and the spawning stock biomass would increase from 1983 to 1984 by 6% and 15%, respectively.

#### 4. REDFISH IN SUB-AREAS V AND XIV

##### 4.1 Status of the Fisheries (Tables 18-24)

The total catch from the Irminger Sea redfish stock complex increased from 114 897 tonnes in 1980 to about 149 000 tonnes in 1981, i.e., by about 30%. The catch increased in Division Va and Sub-area XIV but decreased in Division Vb.

In Division Va (Iceland), the Icelandic fleet increased their fishing effort in 1981, and their catch increased from 69 780 tonnes to about 93 400 tonnes. About 2 200 tonnes were taken by other nations in Division Va. The fishing pattern of the Icelandic trawler fleet was similar to that of 1980. The increased effort (due to greater restrictions in the cod fishery and slight increases in the fleet) was, as in 1980, directed more to the area southwest of Iceland and towards greater depths, resulting in a greater proportion of S. mentella in the total catch.

In Division Vb (Faroe Islands) catches decreased from 10 039 tonnes in 1980 to about 7 200 tonnes in 1981, which is about the same as the 1977 level. Catches of the Federal Republic of Germany fleet remained stable at about 3 900 tonnes for both years, while the catches of the Faroe Islands fleet decreased from 5 509 tonnes to about 3 200 tonnes. This decrease in the catches is probably due to the fact that the effort of the Faroe Islands fleet was directed more towards the saithe fishery. The catches by French vessels in Division Vb decreased from 627 tonnes to some 40 tonnes.

In Sub-area XIV (East Greenland), the total catch increased from 32 609 tonnes in 1980 to about 47 000 tonnes in 1981, i.e., by about 43%. The catches in Sub-area XIV were almost exclusively taken by the Federal Republic of Germany fleet. This increase in the catches in Sub-area XIV is generated by greater effort by the Federal Republic of Germany fleet.

Over the last few years there has been a trend in the fishing pattern in Sub-area XIV towards catching younger age groups of both species, particularly S. mentella. Before 1976, S. mentella at 12 years of age and younger were scarcely found in the landings. This trend continued in 1981, when about 40% of the total number landed of S. mentella and about 13% of S. marinus belonged to age groups 12 and younger, compared to less than 1% and 8% respectively in 1977. This could be explained by reduced discarding of redfish or/and increased effort in areas, where relatively small redfish are abundant, or/and recruitment of the relatively strong year classes from 1972-74, indicated by the 0-group surveys.

##### 4.2 Recruitment of Redfish in the Irminger Sea Area

In 1981, high densities of 0-group redfish were found on the banks off East Greenland and the Dohrn Bank region. The highest densities were observed in an area between about 61°-63°N and 40°-42°N.

As last year, the concentration of redfish in the centre of the Irminger Sea was lower than usual. In the Icelandic area only few 0-group redfish were observed.

The total abundance index of 0-group redfish was  $9.0 \times 10^6$  fish per nautical square mile. The 1981 year class is estimated to be of average size, but still much lower than the 1972-74 year classes.

The year-to-year fluctuations in the abundance of 0-group redfish are presented in the following text table as index figures per nautical square mile.

Number of 0-group redfish  $\times 10^6$  nautical square mile

<u>Year class</u>	<u>Number of fish</u>
1970	8.6
1971	12.6
1972	31.1
1973	74.0
1974	23.6
1975	12.6
1976	5.8
1977	13.0
1978	6.5
1979	1.3
1980	3.0
1981	9.0

Apart from the main extrusion in the Reykjanes Ridge area, there seems to be an influx of redfish fry by drifting from south of  $60^{\circ}\text{N}$ , which varies considerably in strength from one year to another.

The analysis of redfish fry according to species indicated that S. marinus fry amounted to 43.1% of the total compared to 47.2% in 1980. The area distribution of S. marinus and S. mentella does not seem to be as clear as in 1980.

4.3 Splitting of 1981 Catches into S. marinus and S. mentella Components

In Division Va the Icelandic catches were allocated to S. marinus and S. mentella components in the proportion 78.90% to 21.10%. These figures were derived from observations on landings. The catches of Faroe Islands, Belgium and Norway are in accordance with their fisheries allocated to S. marinus.

In Division Vb the Faroese catches were reported as 76.54% S. marinus and 23.46% S. mentella based on samples taken from landings. The Federal Republic of Germany catches were S. mentella according to observations on landings. Due to the nature of the fisheries, the Norwegian catches were allocated to S. marinus.

In Sub-area XIV the total catches were allocated in the same proportions as observed in the landings of the Federal Republic of Germany, i.e., 54.73% and 45.27% for S. marinus and S. mentella, respectively.

4.4 Length and Age Compositions

Division Va: Length frequencies from the Icelandic catches in 1981 were available for both species and were used to calculate the length distribution of each species in Division Va.

Division Vb: Data on length compositions of the 1981 catches from the Faroe Islands were available for both species in 5 cm groups. These were split into 1 cm groups for S. marinus by length composition data obtained from Icelandic landings in Division Va, and for S. mentella by Federal Republic of Germany landings from Division Vb.

Sub-area XIV: Data on length compositions of the 1981 catches by the Federal Republic of Germany were available for both species and were used to calculate the length distributions of the total catch.

Age/length keys: Age/length keys were available for both S. marinus and S. mentella in Sub-area XIV from samples of the fishery of the Federal Republic of Germany. For S. marinus in Division Va an Icelandic age/length key was presented. Since it did not cover all length frequencies for the younger and older age groups, it was supplemented by using the 1980 age/length key of the Federal Republic of Germany in Sub-area XIV. For S. mentella in Division Va no age/length data were available. To calculate the numbers at age, the age/length key of the Federal Republic of Germany in Sub-area XIV was used. In Division Vb an age/length key of the Federal Republic of Germany for S. mentella was applied, whereas for S. marinus the 1981 Icelandic age/length key in Division Va was used to calculate the numbers at age.

The combined age compositions of the total catches in Sub-areas V and XIV are given in Table 25 for S. marinus and in Table 30 for S. mentella.

#### 4.5 Assessment of *Sebastes marinus*

##### 4.5.1 Weight at age (Table 29)

New Icelandic data from Division Va were available on weight per age group, originating from an intensive sampling programme from commercial catches as well as from research vessel catches. These data have been converted into weight at age data, based on average length per age.

A comparison between the new data and those used in last year's report shows only discrepancies in age groups 7-13, which could be explained by the difference in selection between trawls used. The cod ends used by the Icelandic research vessels were lined with fine-meshed nets, and, therefore, it was thought that the weight of the younger age groups in the new data represents the weight of the fish in the stock. Thus, the figures from last year's report are used to estimate the weight of the catches. In the estimate of the stock biomass, the Icelandic figures for ages 7-13 are used, and from age group 14 and onwards the figures from last year's report, since the new Icelandic data from age 14 and onwards are almost identical with those used previously.

##### 4.5.2 Proportion of mature fish at age

New Icelandic data on the proportion of mature fish per cm group were available to the Working Group for Division Va. These data were used to plot the curve for percentage mature at length. The proportions of mature fish per length group are different for sexes, but for assessment purposes the values for males and females had to be combined, assuming a sex ratio of 1:1. The mean length per age data were then used to derive the proportions of maturity for each age group.

Although the data originate entirely from Division Va, they have been used for the stock complex in Sub-areas V and XIV, keeping in mind that the application of a maturation ogive in estimating the size of the spawning biomass is an improvement in any case, compared to the knife-edge estimate at age 16 used previously.

#### 4.5.3 VPA

Data on fishing effort for the Icelandic fleet in Division Va are now available for the years 1978-81 showing an increase in effort for 1981 by about 40% compared to 1980. Since, however, the time series is too short to correlate fishing mortality with effort, no estimate of the terminal F for 1981 could be made on this basis.

Icelandic catch per unit effort figures are given in the text table below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>kg/hour trawling*)</u>
1978	1 034
1979	1 148
1980	1 180
1981	1 168

\* For landings with  $\geq 70\%$  of redfish in the catches.

These data indicate, taken as indices of stock abundance, that in Division Va the S. marinus stock has been almost stable in recent years.

The results of the trawl surveys made by the Federal Republic of Germany indicate that there was no considerable change in stock abundance of this species in Sub-area XIV from November 1980 to November 1981 as shown in the text table below:

Survey results from the Federal Republic of Germany surveys

<u>S. marinus - Sub-areas V and XIV</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>
Biomass estimate (1 000 tonnes)	446	513
Stock numbers ( $\times 10^{-6}$ )	654	669
Mean catch per hour trawling (kg)	1 436	1 526
Mean catch per hour trawling (No.)	2 033	2 010

Since the results of the previous assessment indicate that stock abundance has also been relatively stable during the 1970-79 period, the Working Group concluded that in such a situation the fishing mortality is dominantly a function of the catch, and that it would be justifiable to correlate fishing mortality with catches. A linear regression of  $\bar{F}(14-23)$  against catches, which were based on the 1981 assessment, indicated a level of fishing mortality for 1981 of 0.39. This value was then used to run a VPA (RUN 1). The resulting  $\bar{F}(14-23)$  regressed against catches resulted in an estimate of  $\bar{F}(14-23)$  for 1981 of 0.345 (Figure 8). Using this F as the terminal F, a further VPA was made, and the regression of the average fishing mortalities against catches produced an  $\bar{F}(14-23)$  of 0.33. Since this value is only slightly different from the one used in the VPA (RUN 2) (i.e.,  $\bar{F}(14-23) = 0.345$ ), this was considered as the estimate of

fishing mortality for 1981 on S. marinus in Sub-areas V and XIV. As in previous assessments, a natural mortality of 0.1 was used. The detailed results of the VPA are given in Tables 26, 27 and 28 and are summarized in Figure 9.

The results of the VPA confirmed that the basic requirement for the approach taken to estimate fishing mortality for 1981 is met; this is particularly obvious for the biomass of S. marinus for age groups 14 to 23, to which the average fishing mortality refers (Figure 9).

Spawning stock biomass decreased from the level of 500 000 tonnes in 1967 to about 300 000 tonnes in 1972, a level which was maintained into 1981 with only minor fluctuations. Total biomass was relatively stable in the period 1967-78 at levels between 700 000 tonnes and 800 000 tonnes. The moderate increase in total biomass in 1973 could be explained by the recruitment of the strong year classes 1969 and particularly 1972; however, this estimate must be seen in the light of possible biasses in the exploitation pattern used in the VPA.

The fishing mortality followed the trend in catches and reached its highest level in 1981.

#### 4.5.4

##### Catch projection and management options

The basic data for the projection of catches in 1983 and for stock size at the beginning of 1984 are given in Table 29. Average recruitment of 7 year old fish over the years 1969-78 was used for the years 1982, 1983 and 1984.

The exploitation pattern, which was revised in 1980 to take account of the change in fishing pattern, has been extended for age groups 7 and 8 with relatively small values.

In the absence of any indication of the likely total catch level of S. marinus from the Irminger Sea stock complex in 1982, three levels of catch have been considered in the catch projection, i.e.:

- (i) 60 000 tonnes as recommended by ACFM
- (ii) 90 000 tonnes corresponding to the 1980 level
- (iii) 120 000 tonnes, if the recent trend of increasing effort is maintained

The results of the catch projection are given in Figure 11.

In the following text table, management options for 1983 are given, selected according to advice from ACFM and considering some target levels of spawning stock biomass at the beginning of 1984. The management options in the table refer to a catch of 90 000 tonnes in 1982, but factors have been calculated to allow the figures in the table to be corrected for deviations from the 90 000 tonnes catch level in 1982 (see Note below option table):

Sebastes marinus

Area: ICES Sub-areas V and  
XIV

1982				Management option for 1983	1983				1984	
Stock biom. (7+)	Spawning stock biomass	$\bar{F}$ (14-23)	Catch (7+)		Stock biom. (7+)	Spawning stock biomass	$\bar{F}$ (14-23)	Catch (7+)	Stock biom. (7+)	Spawning stock biomass
972	260	0.30	90	$F_{1981} \times 0.8$	993	258	0.28	89	1 010	280
				Maintaining 1982 SSB			0.39	118	975	260
				$F_{0.1}$			0.08 <sup>1)</sup>	29	1 070	325
				$F_{\max}$			-			
				SSB 1984 = 300			0.185	60	1 035	300
				Maintaining 1981 level of exploit.			0.345	106	990	265

Weights in thousand tonnes. 1) If age group 30 is not a plus group. Spawning stock biomass using maturation ogive.

Note on the Option Table

Since the catch level for 1982 is not known at present, the catch projection has been made for three levels of catch in that year, i.e., 60 000 tonnes (as recommended by ACFM), 90 000 tonnes (corresponding to the 1980 catch), and 120 000 tonnes (if the present trend of increasing catches continues in 1982). The options in the text table above are referring to a catch of 90 000 tonnes in 1982. The weights given in the table can be corrected by adding (if the 1982 catch is below 90 000 tonnes) or subtracting (if the 1982 catch is higher than 90 000 tonnes) the following percentages for each 5 000 tonnes deviation:

Catch:	± 1.333%
Spawning stock biomass:	± 1.136%
Total biomass (7+):	± 0.367%

Under no option is the spawning stock biomass expected to decrease below the 1982-83 level. However, if management aims at an increase of spawning stock biomass by the beginning of 1984 to a level of 300 000 tonnes - the stable level of the 1972-80 period - then a catch level of around 60 000 tonnes would be required in 1983, depending on the 1982 catch.

4.6

Assessment of *Sebastes mentella*

In previous assessments the terminal F for the years 1979 and 1980 were found by relating the catches of the two most recent years to fishing mortalities based on more qualitative indications of the development of effort, because no other data were available.

During the last three years, more fishing effort has been directed towards *S. mentella*, and especially the younger age groups have been more heavily exploited. Besides that, the observed decline in the stock size as well as in the spawning stock, which has taken place in the observed period, indicates an unstable situation in the stock. The Working Group felt it unrealistic to continue the procedure used earlier.

No effort data and no other fishery-independent data were available, which could allow a realistic estimate of the fishing mortality in 1981. The Working Group was, therefore, unable to compute a VPA and the subsequent catch projection in a situation, where none of the important assessment parameters could be estimated with sufficient reliability.

The previous assessment shows a continuous decline in both total biomass and spawning stock biomass, at least up to 1976.

In view of the uncertainty about the more recent development of the stock, and considering the recent increase in catches of that species, the Working Group feels that a continuous approach seems to be advisable in the management of this stock.

5.

GREENLAND HALIBUT IN SUB-AREAS I AND II

5.1

Status of the Fisheries

The nominal catches by country for Sub-area I and Divisions IIa and IIb are given in Tables 31, 32 and 33. In Table 34 the catches are summarized for Sub-areas I and II. The total catch in 1980 was 13 284 tonnes, i.e. 5% below the TAC of 14 000 for that year. In 1981 the total catch was 14 956 tonnes, i.e. 25% above the TAC of 12 000 tonnes.

5.2

Catch per Unit Effort and Effort Data

Data on catch per hour trawling were available from USSR trawlers (1965-81) and Norwegian fresh fish trawlers (1973-81), and catch per day trawling data were available from the German Democratic Republic freezer trawlers (1973-80). Due to a change in the fishing strategy of the German Democratic Republic trawlers from 1980 to 1981, the cpue for the German Democratic Republic trawlers in 1981 was not comparable with previous years and was subsequently not used in the present assessment.

The way in which these cpue data were obtained and treated was described in last year's report of the Working Group (Doc. C.M.1981/G:7, pp.16-17). The calibrated cpue series is taken to be the unweighted average of the three national cpue series relative to their 1973-80 averages. In last year's assessment, the recalculation of the cpue series was done on the basis of the 1973-79 data.

The total effort index is obtained by dividing the total catch by the calibrated cpue data (Table 35).

#### 5.2.1 Mean weight at age in 1981

The mean weights of the 4 to 14 year olds were taken from USSR investigations. The mean weights of the 3 and 16+ age groups were taken to be the same as in 1980. The mean weight of the 15 year olds in 1981 was derived from Norwegian data. The mean weights are given in Table 36 with the ratio between the nominal catch and the sum of products shown in Table 37.

#### 5.3 VPA

##### 5.3.1 Age compositions

The age composition for 1980 was adjusted according to the revised catch statistics. For 1981, length compositions, age/length keys and age compositions were available for the trawl catches of USSR and Norway, and these were used to estimate age composition of total trawl landings.

The age compositions for the Norwegian long-line and gill-net fisheries were then added to provide an age composition for the total fishery.

The age compositions available for 1981 account for 90% of the total catch. The total age compositions as estimated for 1970-81 are given in Table 38.

##### 5.3.2 Estimation of the input fishing mortalities for 1981

As in previous reports, a constant natural mortality of 0.15 was used, and the unweighted average fishing mortality on the 7 to 11 year olds was selected as the standard.

The  $\bar{F}(7-11)$  for 1981 was chosen by regressing  $\bar{F}(7-11)$  on total effort for the years 1970-77 inclusive and forcing the regression through the origin.

The reason for choosing this type of regression is that the value of 1981 using a normal regression had to be extrapolated from the previous years' data points. This procedure gives an estimate of 0.14 for  $\bar{F}(7-11)$  in 1981 (Figure 12), while a normal linear regression on the same data would predict  $\bar{F}(7-11) = 0.26$  for 1981, but with a large intercept of 0.17.

In Figure 13.a the biomass of the 4+ age groups at mid-season is plotted against the calibrated cpue. A linear regression forced through the origin was performed for the 1970-77 data points. The biomass of 4+ in 1981, as implied by  $\bar{F}(7-11) = 0.14$  in 1981, is close to this line.

The same type of regression (1970-77) is shown in Figure 13.b, where the biomass of 7+ age groups at mid-season is plotted against the cpue of 7+. This line passes through the 1981 value when  $\bar{F}(7-11)$  in 1981 = 0.14.

In both Figure 13.a and 13.b a normal linear regression would give similar predictions of the biomass in 1981, as the 1981 cpue values are near the centre of the data points.

For age groups 5 to 16+, the average exploitation pattern for 1977-78 was chosen (Figure 14). As in last year's report, the exploitation pattern for 1979 appears anomalous compared to the other years. The input fishing mortalities on 3 and 4 year olds in 1981 were selected such that the number of 3 and 4 year olds in the stock during 1981 become close to the average for the years 1970-78. The results of the VPA are given in Tables 39, 40 and 41, and shown in Figure 15.

#### 5.4 Yield per Recruit (Figure 16)

Yield and spawning stock per recruit curves were calculated using the 1977-78 exploitation pattern and the 1981 mean weights (Table 42).

$F_{0.1}$  and  $F_{max}$  are estimated at 0.115 and 0.196, respectively, when age 16 is not treated as a plus group.

The yield and the spawning stock under equilibrium conditions, using an average recruitment at age 3 in 1970-78 of  $36.6 \times 10^6$ , are shown for the different values of  $F$  in the text table below.

$F$	$Y/R$ (kg)	Sustainable yield (tonnes)	$SSB/R$ (kg)	Spawning stock biomass (SSB) (tonnes)
$F_{0.1} = 0.115$	0.651	23 800	3.05	112 000
$F_{81} = 0.14$	0.678	24 800	2.79	102 000
$F_{max} = 0.196$	0.694	25 400	2.05	75 000

#### 5.5 Catch Projections

The stock was projected to the beginning of 1984, assuming that the TAC of 12 000 tonnes in 1982 will be taken. The average recruitment for the years 1970-78 of  $36.6 \times 10^6$  at age 3 was used both for 1982 and 1983, and the catch projection parameters are given in Table 42.

The catch in 1982 for four alternative fishing mortalities, the resulting stock biomass (3 years and older), and the spawning stock biomass (9 years and older) in 1984 are given in the text table below. The same parameters as a function of the fishing mortality in 1983 are shown in Figure 17.

Area: ICES Sub-areas I  
and II

Species: Greenland halibut

1982				Management option for 1983	1983				1984	
Stock biom. (3+)	Spawn. stock biom. (9+)	$\bar{F}_{(7-11)}$	Catch		Stock biom. (3+)	Spawn. stock biom. (9+)	$\bar{F}_{(7-11)}$	Catch	Stock biom. (3+)	Spawn. stock biom. (9+)
173	51	.095	12	$F_{1981}$	193	66	.140	20.8	204	81
				$F_{1982}$			.095	14.5	211	85
				$F_{0.1}$			.115	17.3	208	83
				$F_{max}$			.196	28.1	195	76

Weights in thousand tonnes.

Looking at both the cpue data (Table 35) and the VPA results (Figure 15), the stock appears to have been decreasing from 1965 up to about 1978. Since that time, an increasing trend seems to have occurred.

In all the options for 1983, given in the text table above, the total stock and the spawning stock will continue to increase up to 1984. However, the stock is still below the level in 1965-70, as indicated by the cpue data.

Keeping the fishing mortality near the  $F_{0.1}$  level, the TAC could be increased from the 1981-82 level (12 000 tonnes) to about 17 000 tonnes in 1983.

## 6. GREENLAND HALIBUT IN SUB-AREAS V AND XIV

### 6.1 Status of the Fisheries

The total nominal catch figures by country for Divisions Va and Vb, Sub-area XIV, and Sub-areas V and XIV combined, are presented in Tables 43-46 for the years 1971-81. During this period the total catches ranged from 6 045 tonnes (1976) to 36 280 tonnes (1974), with the mean of 22 466 tonnes (Figure 18). Since the drop in 1976, the total catches increased steadily to 31 252 tonnes in 1980 but dropped to 19 599 tonnes in 1981, in which year 79% of the total catch was taken by Icelandic vessels.

In 1981, the catches in Sub-areas V and XIV were almost entirely taken by otter trawl with a minor portion of the Icelandic catch taken by longline.

### 6.2 Effort and Catch per Unit Effort

Catch per unit effort data from Icelandic trawlers were available for the years 1978-81 (Table 47). The cpue figures refer to all tonnage classes combined. Since, however, the composition of the fleet has been rather stable over the four years, the cpue data could be taken as being representative for this fishery.

Total effort increased from 1978 by about 65% to a high level in 1979-80, followed by a decrease of about 20% in 1981 (see Table 47).

### 6.3 VPA

#### 6.3.1 Age compositions

The age compositions of the catches from 1975-79 were left unchanged, and the catch in numbers per age for 1980 were corrected according to the final catch data.

For the year 1981, length compositions and age/length keys were available from Division Va (Icelandic data) and Sub-area XIV (Federal Republic of Germany data). As the age/length/weight relations in both sets of data were almost identical, the Icelandic data were used to break down the total catch from Sub-areas V and XIV.

The total age composition is given in Table 48.

#### 6.3.2 Parameters and results

As in previous years, the natural mortality was assumed to be  $M = 0.15$ .

Since the effort series was too short to be used for an adequate regression analysis (Table 47), an unweighted mean effort value was calculated for the years 1978-80. The resulting value was plotted against the mean  $\bar{F}_{(8-13)}$  for the same three years from the VPA as suggested by ACFM in its July 1981 assessment. A line was drawn from this point to the origin, and a terminal  $\bar{F}_{(8-13)}$  of 0.249 was estimated for 1981.

The results of the VPA are given in Tables 49-51 and shown in Figure 18.

Total stock biomass increased from about 170 000 tonnes in 1975 to slightly above 200 000 tonnes in 1976, remained stable around that level until 1980 and then decreased to about 177 000 tonnes in 1981. The spawning stock increased steadily from 57 857 tonnes in 1975 to 97 961 tonnes in 1980 but decreased to 84 770 tonnes in 1981.

#### 6.4 Yield per Recruit (Figure 19)

Yield and spawning stock (with maturity ogive) per recruit curves are based on parameters given in Table 52. The age group 18 was not used as a plus group.

$F_{0.1}$  equals 0.204, and there is no maximum on the yield per recruit curve within a reasonable range of fishing mortality.

#### 6.5 Catch Projections

Catch projections for 1983 were made using the parameters given in Table 52. The estimate of stock size at the beginning of the 1982 fishing season was calculated, using the stock size at the beginning of 1981 adjusted by the 1981 fishing mortalities (Table 52).

For catch projections it was assumed that the total removals in 1982 will be at a level of 25 000 tonnes. Possible catches in 1983 and the total and spawning stock biomass at the beginning of 1984 are plotted against the mean  $F$  in 1983, as well as the ratio of mean  $F$  in 1983 to mean  $F$  in 1981 (Figure 20).

Subsequently, three options of fishing mortality and the respective estimates of catches and biomass are summarized in the text table below.

Greenland Halibut

Sub-areas V and XIV

1982				Management option for 1983	1983				1984			
Stock biom. (4+)	Spawn. stock biom. (4+)	$\bar{F}_{(8-13)}$	Catch (4+)		Stock biom. (4+)	Spawn. stock biom. (4+)	$\bar{F}_{(8-13)}$	Catch (4+)	Stock biom. (4+)	Spawn. stock biom. (4+)		
175	82	0.135	25	$F_{0.1}$	168	77	0.204	15	170	80		
				$\bar{F}_{83} = \bar{F}_{81}$					0.249	20	168	76
				$\bar{F}_{83} = \bar{F}_{82}$					0.315	24	164	72

Weights in thousand tonnes.

Under all options, however, the spawning stock biomass as well as the total stock biomass are estimated to be somewhat lower than the levels indicated in the VPA for the late 1970s, provided that the estimates of terminal F are not substantially overestimated.

7. MESH ASSESSMENT OF REDFISH IN SUB-AREAS V AND XIV

The method is described in Doc. C.M.1980/G:28.

Sebastes mentella (Tables 53, 55 and 56; Figures 21-23)

Length distributions were available from the Federal Republic of Germany catches in Division Va from 1965-77, and from Division Vb from 1965-80. Since the legal mesh size in both areas from 1965-75 was 120 mm, the length distributions obtained from the catches during this period were used for the analysis. It was considered that the length distributions from the respective areas were representative of the total catch in each area.

The "total F" used in the model was selected at a level such that the simulated F closely approximated that calculated in the VPA from the period 1967-75 (C.M.1981/G:7, Table 32, Figure 23). This total F was subsequently broken down proportionately between the two fishing areas, Divisions Va and Vb, in order to simulate the observed break-down between areas (89.4% in Division Va and 10.6% in Division Vb, 1965-75, by weight).

The von Bertalanffy growth parameters used in the model were generated from age/length keys, while a natural mortality of  $M = 0.1$  was used as in the VPA.

In the initial trials it became apparent that estimates of effective mesh sizes could not be derived with any degree of confidence. The main reason for this is that recruitment of fish smaller than 40 cm to the fishing grounds is very low, whereas discarding is not a problem in this fishery. Consequently, the key parameter in this mesh assessment appeared to be recruitment for which very little independent information was available. The Working Group decided, therefore, to fix the effective mesh size equal to the legal mesh size (120 mm) during the period in question, using a selection factor of 2.90 and a selection range of 11.8 cm previously derived from selection experiments. This provided 50% and 75% selection lengths of 34.80 cm and 40.70 cm, respectively.

Since estimates of effective mesh sizes could not be calculated, estimates of recruitment patterns were derived. The results yielded 50% recruitment sizes of 46.2 cm in Division Va and 46.9 cm in Division Vb, with 75% recruitment sizes being 7% and 9% higher in the respective areas. A 25% derecruitment size of 53.0 cm and a 50% derecruitment size of 51.0 cm provided a good fit to the decreasing limb of the length frequency distribution (Figures 21 and 22). Large S. mentella occur only occasionally in the catches, which is circumstantial evidence for having a derecruitment curve.

The resulting predicted length distributions closely approximated the observed ones, when very low discard rates were assumed (Table 56, Figures 21 and 22). The available information on these fisheries during the period seems to give a reasonably consistent picture.

Before experimenting with the model, it was felt that it should be calibrated to correspond to the more recent situation with new legal mesh sizes. However, this would be difficult to perform with the development of a new fishing pattern at East Greenland in recent years. Younger age groups now form a large proportion of the total fishery. Given that a recruitment pattern is not available from such a short series of data, the Working Group could not assess the effects of change in legal mesh sizes etc., as the results for the above-mentioned reasons would be subject to very wide degrees of confidence.

Sebastes marinus (Tables 54, 55 and 57; Figures 24-27)

For the analysis of this stock, the data were organized according to the definition of three fisheries: 1) the total fishery (all countries) in Sub-area XIV, using length frequencies from the Federal Republic of Germany portion of the fishery, 2) the Federal Republic of Germany fishery in Division Va, using Federal Republic of Germany data, and 3) the remaining fishery in Division Va, including incidental catches in Division Vb, using Icelandic data from Division Va (Table 54). As with S. mentella, total F was broken down between the three fisheries in proportion to the observed catch distribution, and the analysis was performed on data from the same time frame (1965-75). The discard parameters required for the third fishery were based upon Icelandic data for the years 1976-81 and a rate of 50% discarded for fish of 28.50 cm and 25% for those of 31.50 cm was estimated. However, qualitative information from the other fisheries indicated a higher discard rate for these fisheries, and, consequently, the discard rates for these were adjusted to 32 cm and 34 cm for 50% and 25%, respectively.

For similar reasons as with S. mentella, effective mesh sizes could not be ascertained from the analysis. The effective mesh size was, therefore, set at the legal limit of 120 mm for the period concerned. This gave selection lengths of 32.9 cm for 50% retention and 37.9 cm for 75% retention, using a selection factor of 2.70 and a ratio between the 75% and 50% value of 1.17.

Attempts were made to calculate recruitment curves for the three respective fisheries. This was, however, not possible for the Sub-area XIV fishery due to the inclusion of one or more strong year classes entering the fishery in the late 1960s when catches were high. Consequently, the observed length distributions were not considered representative of an equilibrium situation required for a valid recruitment curve calculation. A 50% recruitment size of 36 cm was estimated for the Federal Republic of Germany fishery in Division Va. If this could be extrapolated to the Federal Republic of Germany fishery in Sub-area XIV, the estimated length frequencies would be similar to those of Division Va, as shown in Figure 24. For the third fishery (all remaining countries, Division Va), the 50% recruitment size was estimated to be 32 cm, somewhat lower than that of the Federal Republic of Germany fishery (Table 57). The distribution of the observed F values (1967-75) as they relate to the simulated F values are presented in Figure 27.

Due to difficulties encountered in estimating the recruitment curve for Sub-area XIV along with changes in the nature of these fisheries since 1975, it was considered of no value to calibrate the model to the present situation in an attempt to estimate the effects of changes.

## 8. DEFICIENCIES IN DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSESSMENT PURPOSES

### 8.1 Catch and Effort Information

Although misreporting has occurred, it is the general impression of the Working Group that the reporting of catch statistics has improved for both redfish and Greenland halibut in recent years. However, a severe problem still exists in unreported discards, particularly redfish. In the S. marinus fisheries in Division IIa and Division Va and the fisheries for both redfish species in Sub-area XIV, discarding is known to occur; however, no quantitative data are available. The Working Group also considered that small redfish and Greenland halibut may be discarded as well in the shrimp fishery of Sub-areas I and II.

Effort data for S. mentella and Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I and II appear reasonable. However, for all other stocks considered by the Group, no effort data are available, except short-time series for Greenland halibut in Sub-areas V and XIV and redfish in Division Va, where some Icelandic data have recently been produced.

As a result of the lack of effort data, assessments of S. marinus in Sub-area I and Division IIa and S. mentella in Sub-areas V and XIV could not be carried out.

Splitting of the redfish catches into species is somewhat of a problem in certain segments of the fishery, particularly with regard to factory trawlers in Sub-area XIV. Because the catches of factory trawlers are processed at sea, it is almost impossible to obtain biological samples from these catches.

The Working Group agreed that these problems can only effectively be overcome by reliable record-keeping and reporting of all fishing activities implemented by a scientific observer programme in the commercial fisheries.

### 8.2 Fishery-Independent Stock Estimates

In the absence of usable commercial catch and effort data, indices or direct estimates of stock abundance seem desirable by extensive biomass surveys. The Group felt that such surveys should not only be intensified, but the survey design should also be expanded to cover redfish and Greenland halibut depths, including nursery grounds. The results of these surveys also provide important biological information needed, such as distribution patterns and estimates of recruitment. Dealing with the problems of surveying pelagic concentrations of redfish, it was considered that a combination of trawling and hydroacoustic methods might be a useful approach.

### 8.3 Biological Data

Although the taxonomy of redfish species is not yet completely solved, it is not considered a major problem to identify neither the two species, S. marinus and S. mentella, upon which the fisheries in these regions are based, nor S. viviparus, which frequently occur in the catches. Redfish workers should, however, be aware that there are other stocks of redfish in the region (e.g., the oceanic stock in the Irminger Sea), and fish from such stocks may occasionally occur in the catches. This is, however, not thought to affect the assessment at present.

There is a considerable difference in growth rate of male and female Greenland halibut, and redfish males and females reach maturity at different sizes. Age/length keys should, therefore, be given by sex, as well as combined both for Greenland halibut and redfish.

Redfish age-reading is difficult and time-consuming. There are also some discrepancies in age-reading between different age-readers. The Working Group felt it could be of great value, if a workshop could be arranged for the age-readers.

At the present meeting there were no age/length keys presented for the following species:

S. marinus - Division IIa, the Norwegian catches

S. marinus - Division Vb

S. mentella - Division Va

To improve the data on mean weight at age it would be helpful, if the number of specimens weighted could be increased.

It would be desirable to derive maturation ogives from older material, and present this to the Working Group in order to elucidate trends in the age of maturation during the observed periods. No maturation ogives have so far been presented for Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I, II and XIV, for S. marinus in Sub-areas I, II and XIV, or for S. mentella in Sub-area XIV.

There is still no biological evidence supporting a split of the stock complex of redfish in Sub-areas V and XIV into separate stock units.

#### 9. OTHER MATTERS

The USSR scientists raised some questions concerning mesh sizes and closed areas in the redfish fisheries in Sub-areas I and II.

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Table 1. Nominal catch of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries (Sub-area I,  
Divisions IIa and IIb combined). (As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Belgium	-	-	-	30	28	2	1	-	-	-	-
Faroe Isl.	-	9	32	6	67	137	8	1	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	1 116	-	-	660	3 608	1 142	1 297	
German Dem Rep.	14 786	9 972	11 756	28 275	28 020	22 636	17 614	16 165	16 162	8 448	4 614
Germany, Fed. Rep.	3 076	1 697	3 479	6 597	5 182	7 894	7 231	11 483	11 913	7 992	4 578
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	127	-	-	-	-	
Norway	4 644	6 776	7 714	7 055	4 966	7 305	7 381	7 802	9 025	8 472	9 555
Poland	2 532	1 112	215	1 269	4 711	4 137	175	2 957	261	87	26
Portugal	-	-	-	-	331	3 463	1 480	378	1 100	271	-
Spain	-	-	-	-	1 194	3 398	-	-	1 375	1 965	45
U.K.	4 002	4 379	4 791	3 509	2 746	4 961	6 330	3 390	1 756	1 307	470
USSR	29 839	22 647	31 829	48 787	230 950	263 546	144 993	78 092	70 451	72 802	81 652
Total	58 879	46 592	59 816	96 644	278 195	317 606	185 873	124 172 <sup>xx)</sup>	113 620 <sup>xx)</sup>	102 765 <sup>xx)</sup>	100 940

<sup>x)</sup> Provisional data

<sup>xx)</sup> The total figure used by the Working Group for assessments (including catches by non-members).

Table 2. Nominal catch of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries in Sub-area I.  
(As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Belgium	-	-	-	30	-	2	1	-	-	-	-
Faroe Isl.	-	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	26	-	-	149	27	7	1	-
German Dem. Rep.	78	36	-	358	201	90	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	148	7	76	1 086	483	635	786	+	-	-	7
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norway	316	1 000	1 917	194	482	739	1 181	1 333	1 374	736	616
Poland	1	22	-	-	93	47	-	-	-	-	-
Portugal	-	-	-	-	331	478	55	8	-	170	-
Spain	-	-	-	-	820	301	-	-	-	-	-
U.K.	1 406	1 363	1 894	1 320	1 048	1 392	1 686	959	462	295	61
USSR	3 743	4 403	4 885	9 318	30 750	12 411	13 154	2 575	639	33	1 220
Total	5 692	6 831	8 778	12 338	34 208	16 095	17 012	4 902	2 482	1 235	1 904

x) Provisional data

Table 3. Nominal catch of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries in Division IIa.  
 (As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Faroe Isl.	-	9	22	-	67	137	8	1	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	980	-	-	478	3 575	1 134	1 296	
German Dem. Rep.	12 339	8 963	11 474	27 153	22 778	16 921	12 688	12 933	12 439	7 460	2 205
Germany, Fed. Rep.	1 188	1 466	2 207	4 167	4 623	6 722	4 764	11 482	11 913	7 992	4 571
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	127	-	-	-	-	-
Norway	4 277	5 720	5 564	6 837	4 444	6 515	6 050	6 369	7 637	7 734	8 935
Poland	1 605	784	156	869	920	217	47	2 477	261	78	26
Portugal	-	-	-	-	-	2 849	1 249	352	1 100	89	-
Spain	-	-	-	-	153	2 082	-	-	1 125	1 500	45 <sup>xx)</sup>
U.K.	2 463	2 680	2 125	1 991	1 621	2 919	4 064	2 067	1 195	967	409
USSR	209	291	131	14	39 138	20 307	94 639	31 783	29 519	46 762	56 130
Total	22 081	19 913	21 679	42 011	73 384	58 796	123 987	71 039	66 323	73 878	72 321

x) Provisional data

xx) As reported to Norwegian authorities.

Table 4. Nominal catch of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries in Division IIb.  
 (As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Belgium	-	-	-	-	28	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faroe Isl.	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	110	-	-	33	6	1	-	-
German Dem. Rep.	2 369	973	282	764	5 041	5 625	4 926	3 232	3 723	988	2 409
Germany, Fed. Rep.	1 740	224	1 196	1 344	436	537	1 681	1	-	-	-
Norway	51	56	233	24	40	51	150	100	14	2	4
Poland	926	306	59	400	3 698	3 873	128	480	-	9	-
Portugal	-	-	-	-	-	136	176	18	-	12	-
Spain	-	-	-	-	221	1 015	-	-	250	465	-
U.K.	133	336	772	198	77	650	580	364	99	45	-
USSR	25 887	17 953	26 813	39 455	161 062	230 828	37 200	43 734	40 293	26 007	24 302
Non-members								296 <sup>xx)</sup>	435 <sup>xx)</sup>	124 <sup>xx)</sup>	
Total	31 106	19 848	29 359	42 295	170 603	242 715	44 874	48 231	44 815	27 652	26 715

x) Provisional data.

xx) As reported to Norwegian authorities.

Table 5. Nominal catch of Sebastes marinus and Sebastes mentella in Sub-area I and Division IIa and IIb combined (in tonnes).

Year	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	<sup>x)</sup> 1981
<u>S. marinus</u>	13 816	17 730	21 436	27 272	39 125	48 584	39 508	31 695	26 475	23 411	19 702
<u>S. mentella</u>	45 063	28 862	38 380	69 372	239 070	269 022	146 365	92 477	87 145	79 354	81 238
Total	58 879	46 592	59 816	96 644	278 195	317 606	185 873	124 172	113 620	102 765	100 940

x) Provisional data.

Table 6. Sebastes mentella in Divisions IIa and IIb. Catch per unit effort and calculated total international effort 1965-81.

Year	USSR Catch/hour (tonnes)	German Dem. Rep. Catch/day (tonnes), OTM	German Dem. Rep. Catch/day (tonnes), OTB	Total effort (USSR units)	Total effort GDR units, OTM	Total effort GDR units, OTB
1965	0.38			41 216		
1966	0.39			26 008		
1967	0.37			16 862		
1968	0.45			12 029		
1969	0.48			14 242		
1970	0.46			49 817		
1971	0.38			118 587		
1972	0.38			79 953		
1973	0.45			85 289		
1974	0.69			100 539		
1975	0.95			251 653		
1976	0.99	19.16	12.52	271 739	14 041	21 487
1977	0.77	14.93	9.08	190 084	9 803	16 119
1978	0.63	20.99	10.55	147 002	4 412	8 778
1979	0.56	17.19	10.37	155 616	5 070	8 404
1980	0.70	19.65	9.64	111 931	3 987	8 128
1981	0.63	12.60	12.36	128 949	6 447	6 573

Table 7. Sebastes mentella in Divisions IIa and IIb.  
Catch and effort data of the German Democratic  
Republic Z-trawler fishery 1976-81.

Year	Total catch (t) of <u>S. mentella</u>		Total catch (t) used in cpue calculations		Total effort (days trawling) used in cpue calculations	
	OTM	OTB	OTM	OTB	OTM	OTB
1976	10 343	6 075	10 230	4 295	534	343
1977	9 135	3 484	9 110	799	610	88
1978	6 870	5 504	6 864	3 314	327	314
1979	11 320	2 829	11 260	2 261	655	218
1980	2 806	270	2 732	270	139	28
1981	529	978	529	729	42	59

Table 8. Year class strength of REDFISH in Sub-area I  
and Division IIa and IIb.

Year class	Dragesund 1971	.Surkova, 1960		Baranenkova, 1968		O-group surveys Abundance indices	USSR young fish surveys x)
		<u>S.marinus</u>	<u>S.mentella</u>	<u>S.marinus</u>	<u>S.mentella</u>		
1956	strong		strong	strong	average		
1957	average	average	strong	average	average		
1958	poor	poor	poor	below average	poor		
1959	average		average	strong	strong		
1960	poor			poor	poor		
1961	poor						poor
1962	very poor						poor
1963	poor						strong
1964	strong						strong
1965	strong					159	strong
1966	strong					236	strong
1967	average					44	average
1968	average					21	average
1969	very strong					295	very strong
1970	strong					247	strong
1971	average					172	strong
1972	average					177	average
1973	strong					385	poor***
1974						468	poor***
1975						315	poor***
1976						447	
1977						472	
1978						460	
1979						980	
1980						651	
1981						861	

x) On the basis of the abundance of age groups 0+ to 5 in the cpue data of the surveys. (Published in Annales Biologiques.)

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Table 9. *Sebastes marinus*. Sub-area I and Division IIa.  
Mean weight at age for different periods (kg).

Age	Used 1965-77	Used 1978-80	Used 1981
5	.059	.059	.064
6	.086	.086	.095
7	.146	.147	.162
8	.194	.194	.213
9	.254	.254	.279
10	.334	.334	.367
11	.421	.421	.463
12	.477	.520	.572
13	.512	.564	.620
14	.577	.703	.773
15	.611	.750	.825
16	.710	.846	.930
17	.761	.860	.946
18	.826	.931	1.024
19	.895	.991	1.090
20	.947	1.028	1.131
21	1.093	1.148	1.263
22	1.145	1.207	1.323
23	1.293	1.410	1.551
24	1.580	1.521	1.673
25	1.793	1.702	1.872
26	1.885	1.693	1.862
27	2.393	2.393	2.632
28+	2.454	2.454	2.699

**Table 10.** *Sebastodes marinus* in fishing areas I and IIa.  
Catch in numbers (unit: thousands).

	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	256	41	44	43	51	62	46	261	590
13	322	118	94	52	35	122	41	332	570
14	805	370	199	74	97	229	107	633	913
15	1531	863	406	165	209	444	239	1137	1527
16	3505	2952	1363	550	666	1232	886	2563	3266
17	1529	1737	919	364	556	723	594	1261	1441
18	2321	2753	1536	611	954	1138	935	2014	2157
19	2231	2718	1695	684	1223	997	990	2046	1892
20	445	503	310	131	223	185	185	385	342
21	2223	2471	1459	753	1456	1003	858	1732	1420
22	1624	1687	951	555	1084	750	595	1112	849
23	1758	2158	1167	898	1518	921	779	1251	1123
24	1741	1924	1241	1266	2259	966	1123	1121	1248
25	958	960	896	993	1845	716	776	746	884
26	637	615	723	887	1667	623	636	585	729
27	460	406	504	644	1362	526	426	429	568
28+	328	405	432	614	1038	347	431	377	508
TOTAL	22674	22681	13939	9264	16243	10984	9647	17985	20027
	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	
3	0	0	0	86	0	0	0	0	
4	0	0	0	428	0	0	0	0	
5	0	0	530	1839	20	0	10	10	
6	0	0	2884	1831	13	0	11	7	
7	0	0	5719	1621	30	12	13	121	
8	0	0	12162	4179	328	73	87	217	
9	0	0	10250	4620	641	101	180	419	
10	0	0	9515	4501	930	149	352	752	
11	0	0	5963	2359	615	145	517	854	
12	387	693	5008	5306	2003	723	768	1171	
13	455	868	1686	2557	2788	914	571	910	
14	1049	1638	2670	4242	5453	3422	2368	1609	
15	2079	2984	2991	5334	6040	3276	3677	2361	
16	5479	7397	6775	6072	5880	3554	3502	2345	
17	2757	3563	2707	2372	2569	1726	1073	821	
18	4164	5117	3938	3462	3669	2212	2341	2261	
19	3528	4402	3417	3115	2719	2237	1364	1198	
20	638	775	614	964	1538	1814	1330	1369	
21	2359	2829	2475	2408	1716	2237	1829	1308	
22	1373	1721	1529	1170	382	959	1040	688	
23	1527	1813	1814	1464	491	946	1507	945	
24	1103	1432	1672	1318	411	959	968	517	
25	702	930	1106	923	241	673	519	382	
26	540	817	918	772	175	630	583	257	
27	369	701	822	666	155	541	341	40	
28+	332	589	624	677	141	239	39	35	
TOTAL	28851	38269	87789	62286	39312	27542	24790	20597	

Table 11. Sebastes marinus. Sub-area I and Division IIa.  
Results from the three VPA runs.

Year	$\bar{F}$ (13-24)				Total stock biomass (12+)			Spawning stock biomass (15+)				
	1981 report	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	1981 rep.	Run 1	Run 2	Run 2	1981 rep.	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3
1965	.084	.084	.084	.084	313	313	313	313	250	250	250	250
1966	.094	.094	.094	.094	306	302	302	303	240	240	240	240
1967	.061	.061	.061	.061	298	293	295	297	234	234	234	234
1968	.040	.041	.041	.041	306	296	302	304	235	235	235	235
1969	.073	.073	.073	.073	328	310	321	324	244	240	241	241
1970	.049	.050	.050	.049	301	286	303	309	210	205	208	209
1971	.044	.045	.044	.044	315	293	315	322	219	209	215	217
1972	.072	.076	.074	.073	321	302	332	341	233	216	227	230
1973	.070	.077	.072	.071	321	305	342	353	241	226	243	249
1974	.117	.126	.114	.112	315	296	339	352	242	221	243	250
1975	.159	.184	.164	.159	304	293	346	362	240	221	250	259
1976	.158	.177	.150	.143	285	264	320	337	216	200	237	248
1977	.175	.208	.166	.157	263	237	301	320	200	178	220	232
1978	.156	.181	.131	.121	246	218	300	326	174	164	222	240
1979	.156	.171	.114	.104	218	198	287	316	169	148	209	228
1980	.138	.189	.117	.105	186	165	258	288	157	127	196	217
1981		.138	.079	.070		160	270	307		127	214	241

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Table 12. *Sebastes mentella* in Divisions IIa and IIb.  
Mean weight at age.

Age	1965-78 $\bar{w}$ (kg)	1979-80 $\bar{w}$ (kg)	1981 $\bar{w}$ (kg)
6	.168	.107	.102
7	.183	.155	.138
8	.225	.200	.188
9	.311	.252	.252
10	.367	.310	.310
11	.432	.374	.364
12	.508	.472	.440
13	.611	.568	.560
14	.679	.715	.680
15	.753	.898	.828
16	.821	.934	.906
17	.872	1.024	.970
18	.910	1.050	1.050
19	.923	1.076	1.076
20	.985	1.129	1.129
21	1.056	1.150	1.150
22	1.124	1.175	1.175
23	1.193	1.200	1.200
24	1.215	1.220	1.220

Table 13. *Sebastes mentella* in fishing areas IIa and IIb.  
Input catch data for VPA ('000).

	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
6	48	0	0	7	31	0	0	466	172
7	285	0	0	0	94	0	0	792	1660
8	1592	27	7	15	409	33	114	5728	4865
9	2163	279	15	89	524	151	284	3586	9729
10	1141	532	182	192	838	620	681	2049	4636
11	1545	465	285	355	933	2122	1590	1770	2633
12	1972	731	343	456	954	3428	4429	3865	3148
13	2471	1223	394	554	849	3983	4884	4564	5208
14	2804	1927	489	864	618	3526	5451	4704	5666
15	1996	2007	490	768	482	2808	4940	4098	4578
16	2067	1741	628	931	807	3983	7496	4704	5380
17	1592	1422	613	694	451	2743	4486	3632	3777
18	1473	944	540	665	849	3559	7582	3167	2747
19	1069	837	949	702	786	2318	4770	1816	1516
20	689	532	649	369	555	1567	3918	885	973
21	404	346	693	347	440	784	2385	373	630
22	261	186	598	251	514	653	1874	279	114
23	71	66	248	89	199	327	1590	47	10
24+	95	13	117	44	42	65	397	47	10
TOTAL	23738	13278	7246	7372	10375	32650	56671	46572	57252
	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	
6	606	5834	18891	0	2905	3655	1065	928	
7	4847	19417	29815	2418	30158	20497	7412	2989	
8	15451	42425	59395	17175	65162	43553	26296	8587	
9	28781	82480	78241	33454	55391	46996	44151	26614	
10	30144	108462	110712	52102	33569	37469	40441	48106	
11	19843	119675	112524	49617	19909	26298	27089	39057	
12	10603	57231	93144	53958	17242	20717	19950	33267	
13	8634	29651	49550	53287	9270	16341	11172	21097	
14	8634	20894	26134	19095	7410	6059	6460	11808	
15	6514	16499	13881	12605	5456	3589	5607	6015	
16	5908	13465	9839	5796	4134	3465	6801	2687	
17	3332	13668	6300	4874	2134	2465	3441	2164	
18	2878	12207	7233	5499	1545	1964	3001	1339	
19	1666	6757	3486	3155	666	1719	1406	630	
20	2121	7112	3168	3941	1061	1906	796	799	
21	757	5113	1818	2955	423	1962	145	358	
22	454	2242	1715	2531	308	560	145	117	
23	151	735	1041	1002	301	324	27	0	
24+	151	407	211	322	158	108	27	0	
TOTAL	151475	563674	627098	503766	255202	239625	205352	206562	

**Table 14.** *Sebastes mentella* in fishing areas IIa and IIb.  
Fishing mortalities from VPA ( $M = 0.1$ ).

	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
6	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000
7	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.002	0.004
8	0.015	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.012	0.011	
9	0.025	0.003	0.000	0.001	0.005	0.001	0.002	0.014	0.024
10	0.015	0.007	0.002	0.002	0.009	0.006	0.007	0.014	0.021
11	0.026	0.007	0.004	0.004	0.010	0.026	0.019	0.019	0.021
12	0.044	0.014	0.006	0.007	0.013	0.044	0.063	0.052	0.039
13	0.080	0.031	0.008	0.010	0.015	0.064	0.073	0.077	0.082
14	0.137	0.075	0.014	0.020	0.012	0.072	0.106	0.084	0.116
15	0.147	0.123	0.022	0.025	0.013	0.065	0.123	0.097	0.099
16	0.194	0.165	0.046	0.048	0.030	0.123	0.220	0.148	0.160
17	0.097	0.177	0.073	0.060	0.027	0.121	0.178	0.141	0.152
18	0.222	0.069	0.085	0.095	0.087	0.269	0.482	0.165	0.136
19	0.223	0.170	0.083	0.136	0.139	0.320	0.608	0.185	0.086
20	0.328	0.189	0.173	0.038	0.136	0.396	1.200	0.189	0.128
21	0.195	0.243	0.356	0.118	0.052	0.259	1.654	0.282	0.179
22	0.499	0.116	0.741	0.188	0.229	0.092	1.481	0.799	0.117
23	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.300	0.100	0.050
24+	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.300	0.100	0.050
F( 8-19),U	0.106	0.070	0.029	0.034	0.030	0.093	0.157	0.084	0.079
	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1974-1978
6	0.001	0.012	0.036	0.000	0.007	0.009	0.003	0.002	0.011
7	0.012	0.048	0.068	0.005	0.057	0.058	0.021	0.008	0.038
8	0.037	0.123	0.180	0.046	0.167	0.098	0.089	0.028	0.111
9	0.072	0.250	0.311	0.131	0.176	0.157	0.122	0.110	0.188
10	0.085	0.370	0.546	0.312	0.169	0.162	0.16	0.170	0.296
11	0.104	0.491	0.710	0.446	0.168	0.174	0.151	0.230	0.385
12	0.098	0.428	0.792	0.806	0.243	0.237	0.173	0.250	0.473
13	0.127	0.383	0.713	0.649	0.270	0.340	0.174	0.250	0.428
14	0.170	0.446	0.604	0.585	0.255	0.253	0.193	0.250	0.412
15	0.169	0.495	0.532	0.584	0.290	0.169	0.349	0.250	0.414
16	0.160	0.545	0.549	0.393	0.339	0.270	0.487	0.250	0.397
17	0.126	0.583	0.469	0.511	0.218	0.310	0.415	0.250	0.382
18	0.149	0.783	0.621	0.858	0.267	0.285	0.668	0.250	0.535
19	0.102	0.537	0.471	0.537	0.202	0.471	0.302	0.250	0.370
20	0.174	0.705	0.460	1.375	0.307	1.208	0.368	0.250	0.604
21	0.125	0.703	0.343	0.916	0.436	1.304	0.222	0.250	0.504
22	0.169	0.569	0.476	0.983	0.191	1.572	0.250	0.250	0.478
23	0.200	0.400	0.500	0.500	0.250	0.280	0.230	0.000	0.370
24+	0.200	0.400	0.500	0.500	0.250	0.280	0.230	0.000	0.370
F( 8-19),U	0.117	0.453	0.542	0.488	0.230	0.244	0.275	0.212	

**Table 15.** *Sebastes mentella* in fishing areas IIa and IIb.  
Stock size in numbers ('000) from VPA.

	1 January									
	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	
6	144541	151803	164359	225315	360604	597822	596673	549937	474597	
7	141228	130741	137357	148718	203867	326258	540932	539892	491/61	
8	115188	122517	118299	124295	134566	184377	295211	489455	487/61	
9	93192	102713	115357	107035	112444	121371	166800	267009	457431	
10	81436	82267	92673	104365	96765	101245	109697	150656	238191	
11	64433	72601	73933	83681	94251	86759	91021	98610	134372	
12	48055	56833	65250	66626	75580	84394	76486	80847	87544	
13	33595	41608	50729	58715	59871	67300	73105	64998	69480	
14	25029	28050	36486	45527	52601	53367	57111	61507	54476	
15	15353	18174	23550	32549	40373	47007	44957	46497	51184	
16	12319	11996	14539	20837	28721	36073	39865	35969	38119	
17	18045	19185	9201	12558	17969	25221	28857	28957	28078	
18	7766	14815	6961	7743	10703	15831	20215	21852	22752	
19	4698	5627	12508	5785	6374	8878	10948	11300	16765	
20	2581	3237	4297	10416	4568	5021	5835	5393	8501	
21	2393	1682	2424	3272	9074	3606	3058	1591	4040	
22	695	1782	1194	1536	2631	7792	2519	529	1085	
23	411	382	1435	515	1152	1892	6430	519	215	
24+	550	75	677	255	243	376	1606	519	215	
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	809506	861088	931228	1059733	1312157	1774593	2171506	2456038	2652028	
	141987	157968	182649	213191	248286	284404	307225	313321	355118	
	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	
6	484299	531299	564761	635102	422655	411486	436738	488066*****		
7	429269	437635	475193	493060	574664	379672	368874	394164	440738	
8	448271	383811	377533	401639	445840	491315	324062	326725	353812	
9	436719	390925	306988	285215	347093	339731	403182	268238	287470	
10	386555	367810	275460	203571	226299	263370	262113	322895	214430	
11	211117	321127	229493	144450	134786	172890	202728	199370	246492	
12	119081	172175	177405	101742	83699	103056	131468	157711	143532	
13	76220	97675	101565	72893	41112	59373	73589	100016	111137	
14	57920	60766	60276	45062	34475	28405	38229	55979	70480	
15	43910	44210	35189	29814	22705	24163	19953	28516	39448	
16	41964	33546	24379	18700	15049	15369	18456	1238	20095	
17	29438	32360	17608	12746	11427	9698	10619	10259	8977	
18	21820	23472	16347	9965	6918	8314	6437	6348	7229	
19	17978	17010	9706	7949	3825	4794	5660	2987	4473	
20	13919	14684	8995	5481	4206	2829	2710	3788	2105	
21	6768	10581	6564	5138	1253	2800	765	1697	2669	
22	3057	5405	4740	4215	1860	733	687	555	1196	
23	874	2335	2769	2665	1427	1391	138	0	391	
24+	874	1293	561	856	749	464	158	0	0	
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	2830057	2948119	2696433	2480265	2378044	2319853	2307206	2380051		
	410366	466415	382934	276268	222893	248787	274492	308056		

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**Table 16.** *Sebastes mentella* in fishing areas IIa and IIb.  
Biomass results from VPA ('000).

	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
6	24283	25503	27012	37853	60581	100434	100241	92389	79732
7	25845	23926	25136	27215	37308	59705	98990	98800	90980
8	25917	28691	26617	27964	30277	41485	66422	110127	109746
9	28983	31944	35876	35288	34970	37747	51875	83040	136041
10	29887	30192	34011	38302	35513	37157	40259	55291	87416
11	27855	31364	31939	56150	40116	37480	39521	42600	58048
12	24412	28871	33147	35846	38293	42872	38855	41071	44472
13	20527	25422	30596	35875	36581	41120	44667	39714	42452
14	15637	19046	24774	30913	35716	36236	38778	41763	36989
15	11560	13685	17733	24509	30401	35397	35838	35013	38542
16	10114	9849	11936	17107	25580	29616	32730	29530	31345
17	15755	8009	8224	10951	15669	21993	25163	25251	24484
18	7065	13482	6334	7046	9740	14406	18396	19885	20704
19	4356	5194	11545	5340	5884	8195	10115	10430	15474
20	2543	5188	4232	10260	4499	4946	5748	5312	8374
21	2527	1776	2560	3455	9582	3808	3230	1640	4266
22	781	2002	1342	1727	2957	8759	2831	595	1220
23	490	456	1112	614	1374	2258	7672	619	25
24+	668	91	823	319	295	457	1951	630	262
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	279145	302692	336349	382725	453938	564070	661071	733739	830806
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	94241	103875	121073	142857	169943	198306	214301	207069	230750
	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	
6	81362	89258	94880	106997	71006	44029	46741	49783	
7	78556	80087	86960	90230	111513	58849	57175	54395	
8	100861	86557	84945	90369	99864	98263	64812	61424	
9	135820	121578	95473	887102	107946	85612	101602	67596	
10	141866	134986	101994	74711	83052	81645	81460	100098	
11	91202	138727	99357	62402	58228	64661	75820	72571	
12	60493	87465	91325	51685	42519	48642	62053	69393	
13	46571	59680	62056	44538	23120	33724	41799	56009	
14	39328	41260	40927	30597	23408	20310	27534	38066	
15	33064	33290	26498	22450	17097	21698	17918	23611	
16	34452	27541	20615	15353	12356	14354	17238	11541	
17	25670	28218	15354	11114	9966	9930	10874	9951	
18	19856	21359	14876	9069	6295	8730	6759	6665	
19	16594	15700	8959	7337	3531	5158	6090	3214	
20	13710	14464	8860	5399	4143	3194	3059	4276	
21	7147	11173	6931	5426	1324	3220	880	1952	
22	3436	6075	5328	4738	2091	862	808	652	
23	1043	2786	3303	3179	1702	1669	165	0	
24+	1062	1571	682	1041	910	566	168	0	
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	932092	1001576	866824	725036	675719	605117	622745	631195	
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	263356	297050	237554	171938	129583	143170	154703	169303	

Table 17. *Sebastes mentella* in Divisions IIa and IIb.  
Parameters used in catch prediction.

AGE	Stock size at the beginning of 1982	F-PATTERN	M	MATURITY OGIVE	WEIGHT IN THE CATCH	WEIGHT IN THE STOCK
6	420757.00	1)	0.0090	0.100	0.0000	0.1020
7	440738.00		0.0380	0.100	0.0000	0.1380
8	353812.00		0.1320	0.100	0.0300	0.1880
9	287470.00		0.5190	0.100	0.0600	0.2520
10	217430.00		0.8020	0.100	0.0800	0.3100
11	246492.00		1.0850	0.100	0.2200	0.3640
12	143332.00		1.1790	0.100	0.3600	0.4400
13	111137.00		1.1790	0.100	0.5500	0.5600
14	70480.00		1.1790	0.100	0.7200	0.6800
15	39448.00		1.1790	0.100	0.8500	0.8280
16	20095.00		1.1790	0.100	0.8800	0.9060
17	8977.00		1.1790	0.100	0.9500	0.9700
18	7229.00		1.1790	0.100	0.9700	1.0500
19	4473.00		1.1790	0.100	1.0000	1.0760
20	2105.00		1.1790	0.100	1.0000	1.1290
21	2669.00		1.1790	0.100	1.0000	1.1500
22	1196.00		1.1790	0.100	1.0000	1.1750
23	391.00		1.1790	0.100	1.0000	1.2000
24+	0.00		1.1790	0.100	1.0000	1.2200

1) Average recruitment 1965-77 used for 1982-84.

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Table 18. Nominal catches of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries in Division Va (Iceland).  
 (As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Belgium	2 798	2 484	1 622	2 114	1 945	1 522	1 395	1 549	1 385	1 381	929
Faroe Isl.	35	9	243	254	82	211	292	242	629	1 055	1 253
German Dem. Rep.	238	135	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	46 580	43 963	38 358	36 398	33 602	32 948	31 632	-	-	-	-
Iceland	29 118	26 973	26 470	27 799	32 659	34 028	28 119	33 318	62 253	69 780	93 389
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norway	1	1	4	15	22	31	87	93	43	33	30
Poland	17	35	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.K.	3 552	3 697	2 951	2 519	2 424	1 124	+	-	-	-	-
USSR	31	28	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	82 370	77 325	69 650	69 129	70 734	69 864	61 525	35 202	64 310	72 249	95 601

x) Provisional data

Table 19. Nominal catches of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries in Division Vb (Faroe Islands).  
 (As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Faroe Isl.	-	-	121	28	9	33	54	1 525	5 693	5 509	3 231
France	-	-		300	800	-	1 368	448	862	627	40 <sup>xx)</sup>
German Dem. Rep.	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	2 328	4 034	9 490	7 328	7 628	5 255	5 854	7 767	6 108	3 891	3 903
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	105	-	-	+	-	-	-
Norway	-	-	-	10	7	17	10	9	11	12	10
U.K.	24	53	85	98	41	59	116	57	+	-	-
Total	2 352	4 087	9 696	7 765	8 591	5 364	7 402	9 806	12 674	10 039	7 184

x) Provisional data

xx) As reported to the Faroese authorities

Table 20. Nominal catch of REDFISH (in tonnes) by countries in Sub-area XIV (East Greenland).  
(As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Canada	-	-	-	-	-	420	-	-	-	-	-
Greenland	-	-	-	-	-	129	1	3	-	-	1
Faroe Isl.	-	-	13	43	1	3	19	-	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	490	-	-
German Dem. Rep.	611	703	841	1 275	4 490	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	17 062	7 287	4 491	2 632	4 979	4 403	13 347	20 711 <sup>1)</sup>	20 428 <sup>1)</sup>	32 520 <sup>1)</sup>	46 674 <sup>1)</sup>
Iceland	2 380	5 490	2 144	9 777	5 632	7 410	81	151	-	89	-
Norway	-	-	-	-	63	5	112	2	-	-	-
Poland	312	464	281	6	276	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.K.	+	5	65	127	56	286	622	13	-	-	-
USSR	71	21	64	118	9 830	101 000	251	-	-	-	-
Total	20 436	13 970	7 899	13 978	25 529	113 656	14 433	20 880	20 918	32 609	46 675

x) Provisional data

1) Catches updated for Sub-area XII included

Table 21. Nominal catch (in tonnes) of REDFISH in Sub-area XIV, Divisions Va and Vb, by species  
for Sub-area XIV and Sub-area V combined.  
(As reported officially to ICES.)

Year	Division Va	Division Vb	Sub-area XIV	Total	<u>S. marinus</u>	<u>S. mentella</u>
1965	114 100	5 862	36 513	156 475	97 006	59 469
1966	107 068	3 297	23 290	133 655	80 347	53 308
1967	95 083	5 013	33 198	133 294	85 249	48 045
1968	96 475	6 637	23 079	126 191	68 712	57 479
1969	87 736	1 326	30 367	119 429	79 467	39 952
1970	78 962	1 947	18 162	99 071	60 805	38 266
1971	82 370	2 352	20 436	105 158	68 374	36 784
1972	77 325	4 087	13 970	95 382	50 961	44 421
1973	69 650	9 696	7 899	87 245	41 856	45 389
1974	69 129	7 765	13 978	90 872	49 845	41 027
1975	70 734	8 591	25 329	104 654	60 980	43 674
1976	69 864	5 364	113 656	188 884	93 605	95 279
1977	61 525	7 402	14 433	83 360	52 752	30 608
1978	35 202	9 806	20 880 <sup>1)</sup>	65 888	47 791	18 097
1979	64 310	12 674	20 918 <sup>1)</sup>	97 902	75 056	22 846
1980	72 249	10 039	32 609 <sup>1)</sup>	114 897	88 085	26 812
1981 <sup>x)</sup>	95 601	7 184 .	46 675 <sup>1)</sup>	149 460	103 927	45 533

x) Provisional data.

1) Catches updated for Sub-area XII included.

**Table 22.** Nominal catch of REDFISH (1 000 tonnes) in Division Va by countries.  
Separation into the species components according to the method used  
by the Redfish Working Group.

Div. Va Year	Belgium	Faroe Islands	German Dem. Republic	Germany, Fed. Rep.	Iceland	Norway	Poland	United Kingdom	USSR	Total
Total 1970 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	2.2 2.2 -	-	0.8 0.8 -	48.9 13.1 35.8	23.8 23.3 0.5	-	0.3 0.3 -	2.9 2.9 -	+	78.9 42.6 36.3
Total 1971 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	2.8 2.8 -	+	0.2 0.2 -	46.6 12.2 34.4	29.1 28.6 0.5	+	+	3.6 3.6 -	+	82.3 47.4 34.9
Total 1972 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	2.5 2.5 -	+	0.1 0.1 -	44.0 4.1 39.9	27.0 26.4 0.6	+	+	3.7 3.7 -	+	77.3 36.8 40.5
Total 1973 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.6 .1.6 -	0.2 0.2 -	-	38.4 3.1 35.3	26.5 25.7 0.8	+	-	3.0 3.0 -	+	69.7 33.6 36.1
Total 1974 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	2.1 2.1 -	0.3 0.3 -	+	36.4 4.3 32.1	27.8 27.0 0.8	+	+	2.5 2.5 -	-	69.1 36.2 32.9
Total 1975 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.9 1.9 -	0.1 0.1 -	-	33.6 4.3 29.3	32.7 31.3 1.4	+	-	2.4 2.4 -	-	70.7 40.0 30.7
Total 1976 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.5 1.5 -	0.2 0.2 -	-	32.9 4.3 28.6	34.0 33.3 0.7	+	-	1.1 1.1 -	-	69.7 40.4 29.3
Total 1977 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.4 1.4 -	0.3 0.3 -	-	31.6 9.2 22.4	28.1 27.5 0.6	0.1 0.1 -	-	+	-	61.5 38.5 23.0
Total 1978 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.5 1.5 -	0.2 0.2 -	-	-	33.3 29.4 3.9	0.1 0.1 -	-	-	-	35.1 31.2 3.9
Total 1979 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.4 1.4 -	0.6 0.6 -	-	-	62.3 54.6 7.7	0.1 0.1 -	-	-	-	64.4 56.7 7.7
Total 1980 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.4 1.4 -	1.1 1.1 -	-	-	69.8 59.6 10.2	+	-	-	-	72.3 62.1 10.2
1981 Total <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	.9 .9 -	1.3 1.3 -	-	-	93.4 73.7 19.7	+	-	-	-	95.6 75.9 19.7

\* Preliminary

**Table 23.** Nominal catch (1 000 t) of REDFISH in Division Vb by Countries.  
Separation into the species components according to the method used by the  
Redfish Working Group.

Div. Vb Year	Faroe Islands	France	German Dem. Republic	Germany, Fed. Rep.	Netherlands	Norway	United Kingdom	Total
Total 1970 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	1.9 - 1.9	-	-	+	1.9 - 1.9
Total 1971 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	2.3 - 2.3	-	-	+	2.3 - 2.3
Total 1972 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	4.0 - -	-	-	0.1 0.1 - 4.0	4.1 0.1 4.0
Total 1973 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	0.1 0.1 -	-	-	9.5 - 9.5	-	-	0.1 0.1 -	9.7 0.2 9.5
Total 1974 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	+	0.3 0.3 -	+	7.3 - 7.3	-	-	0.1 0.1 -	7.7 0.4 7.3
Total 1975 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	+	0.8 0.8 -	+	7.6 - 7.6	0.1 0.1 -	+	+	8.5 0.9 7.6
Total 1976 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	+	-	-	5.3 - 5.3	-	+	0.1 0.1 -	5.4 0.1 5.3
Total 1977 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	0.1 0.1 -	1.4 0.6 0.8	-	5.9 - 5.9	-	+	0.1 0.1 -	7.5 0.8 6.7
Total 1978 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	1.5 1.5 -	0.4 0.4 -	-	7.8 - 7.8	-	+	0.1 0.1 -	9.8 2.0 6.7
Total 1979 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	5.7 4.8 0.9	0.9 - 0.9	-	6.1 - 6.1	-	+	-	12.7 4.8 7.9
Total 1980 <u>S.mar.</u> <u>S.ment.</u>	5.5 4.9 0.6	0.6 - 0.6	-	3.9 - 3.9	-	+	-	10.0 4.9 5.1
1981*	3.2 2.5 0.7	+	-	3.9 - 3.9	-	+	-	7.1 2.5 4.6

\* Preliminary

Table 24. Nominal catch (1 000 t) of REDFISH in Sub-area XIV by countries.  
Separation into the species components according to the method used by the Redfish Working Group.

Sub-area XIV Year	Canada	Denmark (G)	Faroe Islands	German Dem. Republic	German Fed. Rep.	Iceland	Norway	Poland	United Kingdom	USSR	Total
Total 1970 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	0.4 0.4 -	16.3 16.3 -	1.0 1.0 -	-	0.4 0.4 -	+	-	18.1 18.1 -
Total 1971 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	0.6 0.6 -	17.1 17.1 -	2.4 2.4 -	-	0.3 0.3 -	+	0.1 0.1 -	20.5 20.5 -
Total 1972 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	0.7 0.7 -	7.3 7.3 -	5.5 5.5 -	-	0.5 0.5 -	+	+	14.0 14.0 -
Total 1973 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	+	0.8 0.8 -	4.5 4.5 -	2.1 2.1 -	-	0.3 0.3 -	0.1 0.1 -	0.1 0.1 -	7.9 7.9 -
Total 1974 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	+	1.3 1.3 -	2.6 2.6 -	9.8 9.8 -	-	+	0.1 0.1 -	0.1 0.1 -	13.9 13.9 -
Total 1975 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	+	4.5 4.5 -	5.0 5.0 -	5.6 5.6 -	0.1 0.1 -	0.3 0.3 -	0.1 0.1 -	9.8 5.4 4.4	25.4 21.0 4.4
Total 1976 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	0.4 0.4 -	0.1 0.1 -	+	-	4.4 4.4 -	7.4 7.4 -	+	-	0.3 0.3 -	101.0 41.3 59.7	113.6 53.9 59.7
Total 1977 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	+	+	-	13.3 13.3 -	0.1 0.1 -	0.1 0.1 -	-	0.6 0.6 -	0.3 0.3 -	14.4 14.4 -
Total 1978 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	+	-	-	20.7 15.3 5.4	0.2 0.2 -	+	-	+	-	20.9 15.5 5.4
Total 1979 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	+	-	21.1 15.0 5.3	-	-	-	-	-	21.1 15.0 5.3
Total 1980 <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	-	32.5 22.1 10.4	0.1 0.1 -	-	-	-	-	32.6 22.2 10.4
* 1981 Total <u>S.mar. S.ment.</u>	-	-	-	-	46.7 25.6 21.1	-	-	-	-	-	46.7 25.6 21.1

\* Preliminary

Table 25. *Sebastes marinus* in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Input catch data for VPA ('000).

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	8	4	59	21	48	273
10	0	0	0	15	5	65	28	68	374
11	154	138	137	179	102	503	402	533	878
12	1166	1101	1108	1126	803	3066	2624	3292	3009
13	2075	1996	2141	1790	1565	4539	4017	4987	5320
14	4546	3971	4891	3529	3713	5998	5652	7437	4282
15	4159	3519	4354	3072	3323	4044	4106	5261	3620
16	6810	5373	6617	4614	5081	4469	4873	6152	5536
17	3563	2718	3200	2306	2424	1928	2074	2518	2704
18	9205	6618	7746	5700	5798	4269	4287	5159	6545
19	7317	5272	6047	4730	4712	3003	2883	3322	4744
20	2682	1964	2245	1871	1841	1020	934	1028	1570
21	8153	6025	6567	5730	6152	3217	2786	3096	4799
22	5533	4252	4608	4502	4939	2304	1798	1956	2973
23	7410	5892	6240	6467	7342	3269	2349	2537	5724
24	6970	5619	6204	6722	(233)	3066	2556	2549	3763
25	2966	2502	2868	3016	3189	1268	1239	1229	1740
26	1882	1630	1894	1918	2205	726	783	845	1160
27	829	774	910	898	981	303	360	407	558
28	650	527	717	670	762	211	255	306	425
29	382	210	324	270	259	59	84	118	197
30+	143	117	284	180	121	29	11	12	110
TOTAL	76595	60218	69102	59313	62554	47415	44102	52860	56304
	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981			
7	0	0	0	7	13	8			
8	0	0	0	8	30	165			
9	2023	50	89	64	297	1262			
10	2715	71	170	311	837	1609			
11	6229	556	1039	1049	1723	2344			
12	19819	3539	5957	2607	7306	9811			
13	19604	5398	5667	2839	9238	8642			
14	15776	7820	8023	6192	14052	10582			
15	8889	5327	6451	6260	18617	16331			
16	9193	5898	5702	10174	13521	10568			
17	3780	2392	2188	9134	4620	11330			
18	8440	5108	3173	10300	9586	9254			
19	5596	3512	2959	5635	5563	8011			
20	1844	1213	3186	4777	2123	5279			
21	5552	3753	3401	5672	5516	9245			
22	3389	2484	1511	3216	2297	4220			
23	4348	3323	1746	3912	1943	2899			
24	3817	2832	1474	2368	2395	3860			
25	1751	1170	827	2212	1430	1979			
26	1283	798	611	2125	750	1107			
27	587	364	378	1272	461	531			
28	429	271	156	747	249	140			
29	173	112	99	452	33	42			
30+	73	69	37	263	68	7			
TOTAL	125310	56060	54844	81596	102668	119226			

**Table 26.** *Sebastes marinus* in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Fishing mortalities from VPA ( $M = 0.1$ ).

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
7	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
8	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
9	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001
10	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.002
11	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.003	0.004	0.005
12	0.013	0.012	0.012	0.011	0.008	0.025	0.026	0.026	0.024
13	0.026	0.026	0.027	0.022	0.018	0.050	0.058	0.057	0.030
14	0.060	0.057	0.073	0.051	0.051	0.079	0.074	0.082	0.057
15	0.064	0.054	0.073	0.054	0.056	0.065	0.064	0.082	0.047
16	0.119	0.099	0.123	0.093	0.107	0.089	0.094	0.117	0.104
17	0.066	0.057	0.071	0.052	0.058	0.049	0.049	0.058	0.062
18	0.193	0.152	0.206	0.156	0.160	0.124	0.130	0.149	0.188
19	0.164	0.144	0.181	0.167	0.167	0.104	0.104	0.127	0.178
20	0.064	0.054	0.076	0.070	0.082	0.044	0.059	0.044	0.073
21	0.226	0.180	0.231	0.252	0.307	0.179	0.148	0.156	0.264
22	0.205	0.158	0.182	0.220	0.318	0.161	0.129	0.152	0.197
23	0.394	0.311	0.325	0.369	0.583	0.320	0.220	0.242	0.350
24	0.613	0.518	0.552	0.608	0.799	0.455	0.390	0.349	0.595
25	0.553	0.410	0.482	0.504	0.578	0.272	0.298	0.295	0.378
26	0.335	0.298	0.551	0.611	0.753	0.220	0.240	0.304	0.443
27	0.196	0.200	0.241	0.487	0.647	0.188	0.145	0.170	0.300
28	0.293	0.165	0.257	0.251	0.882	0.244	0.214	0.158	0.240
29	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130
30+	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130
F(14-23),U	0.155	0.127	0.154	0.148	0.189	0.122	0.105	0.119	0.152
	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981			
7	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001			
8	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001			
9	0.015	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.002			
10	0.014	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.003	0.006			
11	0.046	0.003	0.010	0.008	0.006	0.009			
12	0.147	0.030	0.039	0.028	0.066	0.037			
13	0.192	0.049	0.055	0.021	0.116	0.094			
14	0.173	0.098	0.086	0.071	0.126	0.170			
15	0.145	0.073	0.098	0.081	0.279	0.189			
16	0.145	0.122	0.094	0.198	0.224	0.226			
17	0.087	0.046	0.055	0.192	0.117	0.264			
18	0.249	0.145	0.071	0.344	0.282	0.320			
19	0.217	0.139	0.105	0.156	0.281	0.358			
20	0.088	0.060	0.162	0.220	0.073	0.415			
21	0.352	0.231	0.212	0.425	0.377	0.452			
22	0.269	0.234	0.123	0.283	0.271	0.490			
23	0.432	0.406	0.229	0.466	0.247	0.566			
24	0.643	0.492	0.282	0.486	0.513	0.943			
25	0.541	0.366	0.230	0.775	0.540	0.943			
26	0.469	0.450	0.294	1.304	0.578	0.943			
27	0.374	0.208	0.353	1.512	1.036	0.943			
28	0.352	0.264	0.116	2.414	1.450	0.943			
29	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.500	0.700	0.943			
30+	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.500	0.700	0.943			
F(14-23),U	0.216	0.155	0.124	0.244	0.228	0.345			

**Table 27. *Sebastodes marinus* in fishing areas V and XIV.**  
Stock size in numbers ('000) from VPA.

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	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
7	213690	177699	222141	221081	251781	218640	271958	169545	198894
8	161993	193355	160/89	201001	200042	227821	197834	246077	153411
9	140635	146577	174955	145488	181874	181006	206141	179008	222660
10	120896	127252	132628	158306	131635	164562	163725	186504	161927
11	104813	109592	115142	120007	143227	119104	148840	148118	168691
12	92637	94692	98850	104055	108417	129500	102/291	134294	133516
13	86058	82713	84634	88390	93082	97336	114262	94587	118385
14	82089	75896	72945	74545	78277	82736	83/59	99570	80846
15	70764	69957	64899	61355	64097	67299	69164	70418	83028
16	63710	60078	59955	54586	52597	54839	57052	58680	58717
17	58176	51178	49256	47965	45007	42764	45374	46993	47252
18	55118	49254	43725	41528	41209	38421	36862	39085	40128
19	50671	41134	38282	32211	32163	31781	30709	29283	30466
20	45324	38901	32213	28898	24654	24628	25904	25048	23341
21	42300	38462	33333	27014	24370	20559	21315	22551	21687
22	31310	30537	29081	23928	19006	16216	15548	16641	14465
23	23845	23078	23593	21939	17378	12514	12485	12361	13200
24	15896	14553	15294	15430	13721	8777	8223	9067	8777
25	10437	7789	7848	7966	7602	5583	5038	5037	5788
26	6926	6632	4677	4385	4352	3861	3848	3583	3392
27	4889	4483	4455	2439	2153	1855	2805	2739	2260
28	2680	3363	3321	3167	1356	1021	1390	2196	2092
29	3289	1808	2790	2325	2230	508	723	1016	1696
30+	1231	1007	2445	1550	1042	250	95	103	947
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	1489376	1450063	1477251	1489559	1541274	1551581	1630345	1602303	1598565
	445549	403694	380237	347573	325353	304475	309314	318989	325553
	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982		
7	471065	411367	381902	810721	191731	8411 *****			
8	179966	426237	372220	345559	733564	173473	7603		
9	138812	162840	385675	336799	312667	663728	156808		
10	201212	123679	147296	348889	304687	282631	599366		
11	146162	179483	111842	133118	315392	274896	254205		
12	151803	126332	161874	100211	119452	283740	246508		
13	117949	118536	110946	140807	88196	101142	247413		
14	103963	88114	102125	95002	124709	71028	83307		
15	69083	79091	72300	84783	80077	99494	54221		
16	71686	54067	66502	59290	70767	54797	74522		
17	47870	56134	43320	54756	43990	51200	39552		
18	40185	39723	48518	37118	40874	35416	35579		
19	30095	28353	31092	40886	23820	27891	23270		
20	23063	21920	22319	25322	31644	16276	17643		
21	19628	19116	18681	17170	18379	26615	9725		
22	15070	12496	13735	13676	10162	11401	15325		
23	12981	10421	8950	10993	9323	7015	6320		
24	8413	7626	6280	6441	6241	6593	3604		
25	4381	4003	4219	4284	3585	3380	2323		
26	3588	2307	2513	3032	1787	1891	1191		
27	1970	2031	1332	1694	745	907	666		
28	1515	1226	1492	846	338	239	320		
29	1490	964	852	1202	68	72	84		
30+	629	594	319	699	141	12	29		
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	1862581	1976661	2116304	2673300	2532342	2202247			
	327734	309324	317379	329259	312476	304961			

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Table 28. *Sebastes marinus* in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Biomass results from VPA ('000).

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
7	25643	21324	26657	26530	30214	26237	32635	20345	23867
8	29483	35191	29264	36582	36408	41463	36066	44786	27921
9	33190	34592	41289	54335	42922	42717	48649	42246	52548
10	36390	38303	39921	47650	39622	49533	49281	56138	48740
11	39934	41678	43869	45723	54569	45379	56708	56433	64271
12	43632	44600	46559	49010	51064	60994	50534	63253	62886
13	46557	44748	45787	47819	50357	52659	61816	51171	64046
14	53522	49484	47560	48603	51037	53944	54611	64920	52712
15	50950	50369	46727	44176	46150	48455	49198	50701	59780
16	50585	47702	47605	43341	41762	43542	45299	46592	46622
17	50962	44832	43148	42017	39426	37462	39748	41165	41392
18	53244	47579	42238	40116	39807	37114	35609	37756	38763
19	54015	43849	40808	34337	34286	33879	32736	31215	32477
20	53301	45748	37882	33984	28994	28963	30463	29456	27449
21	54863	49885	43233	55057	31608	26665	27646	29249	28128
22	44804	43698	41615	34242	27198	23205	22249	23814	24993
23	37651	36440	37255	34641	27441	19759	19114	19518	20843
24	27690	25351	26642	26880	23902	15290	14324	15795	15290
25	21060	14970	15084	15311	14612	10730	9682	9681	11124
26	14684	14060	9915	9297	9227	8186	8159	7172	7191
27	11434	10485	10420	5705	5037	4338	6560	6407	5285
28	6914	9382	8569	8172	3500	2633	3587	5665	5398
29	9361	5146	7940	6617	6347	1446	2059	2892	4828
30+	4808	3934	9550	6053	4069	975	370	404	3699
TOTAL	853678	803350	789535	756176	739557	715569	738243	756773	770251
SHAWN. ST.	504842	455422	433695	389386	353895	313594	318215	328542	331539
	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981			
7	56528	49364	45828	97287	23008	1009			
8	32754	77575	67744	62892	133509	31572			
9	32760	38430	91019	79484	73789	156640			
10	60565	37227	44336	105016	91711	85072			
11	55688	68383	42612	50718	120164	104736			
12	71499	59503	76243	47199	56262	133642			
13	63811	64128	60022	76177	47714	54718			
14	67784	57451	66585	61941	81310	46310			
15	49140	56945	52056	61044	57656	71636			
16	56919	42929	52803	47077	56189	43508			
17	41934	49173	37948	47966	38536	44851			
18	38819	38373	46869	35856	39485	34211			
19	32082	30224	33144	43584	25392	29732			
20	27122	25778	26247	29779	37214	19140			
21	25457	24794	24230	22269	23837	34520			
22	21565	17882	19655	19570	14541	16315			
23	20497	16455	14131	17358	14722	11077			
24	14656	13285	10940	11220	10873	11484			
25	8421	7693	8109	8234	6891	6496			
26	7606	4891	5327	6429	3788	4008			
27	4608	4751	3114	3962	1742	2121			
28	3910	3164	3850	2184	872	617			
29	4240	2745	2426	3421	195	204			
30+	2455	2320	1244	2731	551	47			
TOTAL	801418	793461	836483	943399	959949	943668			
SHAWN. ST.	331089	308453	312396	327542	300487	290286			

Table 29. *Sebastes marinus* in Sub-areas V and XIV.  
Parameters used for catch projections.

AGE	Stock size at 1 Jan. 1982	F-PATTERN	M	MATURITY OGIVE	WEIGHT IN THE CATCH	WEIGHT IN THE STOCK
7	282000.00	0.0010	0.100	0.0000	0.3280	0.1200
8	255151.00	0.0010	0.100	0.0000	0.3610	0.1820
9	156808.00	0.0020	0.100	0.0000	0.3990	0.2360
10	599366.00	0.0060	0.100	0.0000	0.4400	0.3010
11	254205.00	0.0100	0.100	0.0000	0.4860	0.3810
12	246508.00	0.0400	0.100	0.0600	0.5360	0.4710
13	247413.00	0.1000	0.100	0.1300	0.5910	0.5410
14	83307.00	0.1800	0.100	0.2600	0.6520	0.6520
15	54221.00	0.2000	0.100	0.4400	0.7200	0.7200
16	74522.00	0.2400	0.100	0.6900	0.7940	0.7940
17	39552.00	0.2800	0.100	0.8400	0.8760	0.8760
18	35579.00	0.3400	0.100	0.9000	0.9660	0.9660
19	23270.00	0.3800	0.100	0.9300	1.0660	1.0660
20	17643.00	0.4400	0.100	0.9700	1.1760	1.1760
21	9725.00	0.4800	0.100	1.0000	1.2970	1.2970
22	15325.00	0.5200	0.100	1.0000	1.4310	1.4310
23	6320.00	0.6000	0.100	1.0000	1.5790	1.5790
24	3604.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	1.7420	1.7420
25	2323.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	1.9220	1.9220
26	1191.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	2.1200	2.1200
27	666.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	2.3390	2.3390
28	320.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	2.5800	2.5800
29	84.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	2.8460	2.8460
30+	29.00	1.0000	0.100	1.0000	3.9050	3.9050

Recruitment (age 7) =  
282 million fish (average  
1969-78) for 1981-83.

**Table 30.** *Sebastodes mentella* in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Input catch data for VPA ('000).

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	1
12	52	12	46	11	19	15	122	71	87
13	84	40	137	225	66	46	269	196	262
14	437	250	649	100	372	320	549	802	1331
15	479	292	606	920	385	414	408	677	1161
16	1452	1024	1576	2212	1066	1567	1068	1591	2384
17	1519	1221	1492	1932	1059	1685	1107	1445	1797
18	2515	2260	2362	2736	1691	2743	1874	2242	2285
19	3549	3433	5000	3019	2284	3500	2586	2790	2202
20	1060	1136	844	847	699	993	779	795	605
21	8121	9195	6578	6013	5609	6835	5741	5467	4474
22	3203	3945	2610	2110	2528	2483	2379	2029	1785
23	10430	12819	9126	6850	8854	8162	9044	7398	6357
24	5339	6473	5960	3793	4758	4703	5862	4602	4093
25	2490	2908	2390	1851	2186	2285	3063	2306	2147
26	1851	2149	2679	1488	1647	1844	2551	1935	1862
27	785	914	717	727	666	824	1158	900	913
28+	369	441	899	533	385	492	565	489	581
TOTAL	43515	48512	41071	36340	34274	38961	39128	35735	34327
	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981			
8	0	0	0	216	22	1588			
9	3202	2	321	186	74	3285			
10	2948	2	656	485	394	5362			
11	6533	3	908	647	1359	5798			
12	22608	142	1521	1517	7256	10903			
13	21121	362	664	1373	5989	5162			
14	14107	1438	816	2622	3811	3124			
15	5547	1334	1206	2726	3685	6683			
16	4431	3411	1571	1980	2422	4937			
17	2619	2897	882	1035	1344	1922			
18	2841	5122	1581	1565	1405	2930			
19	2229	3454	1371	2022	1256	2509			
20	541	802	1089	915	1252	1579			
21	3625	4884	1688	3133	3398	3081			
22	1192	1314	1264	1937	2070	2273			
23	4050	3958	2070	1741	2024	2218			
24	2403	2172	1388	1449	1419	2207			
25	1232	1089	823	842	590	1270			
26	1061	928	506	297	225	484			
27	544	480	104	54	121	113			
28+	331	377	0	0	0	279			
TOTAL	103165	32771	20435	26742	40116	67707			

Table 31. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Sub-area I.  
(As officially reported to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
German Dem. Rep.	14 <sup>1)</sup>	1 <sup>1)</sup>	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	-	-	25	22	6	2	1	-	-	-	19
Norway	1 951	3 116	2 947	2 167	2 160	1 203	1 371	1 148	727	490	562 <sup>1)</sup>
Poland	7	117	-	1	-	9	-	-	-	-	-
U.K. (Engl. and Wales)	-	949	995	732	550	665	541	232	36	12	5
USSR	3 441	4 366	1 700	2 329	3 774	600	360	211	182	100	816
Total	5 413	8 549	5 667	5 251	6 495	2 479	2 273	1 591	945	602	1 402

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

Table 32. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Division IIa.  
(As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Faroe Isl.	-	-	-	-	-	2	21	-	3	-	-
German Dem. Rep.	353 <sup>1)</sup>	1 069 <sup>1)</sup>	52	656	172	354	1 641	1 398	787	570	18
Germany, Fed. Rep.	3	3	+	49	41	17	22	321	481	303	99
Norway	4 974	11 715	7 861	6 593	2 265	3 490	1 446	2 084	2 051	2 529	3 287
Poland	5 036	2 643	137	499	66	31	95	197	4	-	-
U.K. (England and Wales)	-	182	118	55	107	48	211	82	11	9	4
USSR	491	21	22	-	515	43	6 960	8 809	6 929	2 014	2 031
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	21	48	-
Total	10 857	15 633	8 190	7 852	3 166	3 985	10 396	12 892	10 287	5 473	5 439

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

Table 33. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Division IIb.  
(As Reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981x)
German Dem. Rep.	2 582 <sup>1)</sup>	563 <sup>1)</sup>	3 902	5 258	8 295	8 601	6 535	3 213	2 701	1 510	1 340
Germany, Fed. Rep.	-	-	34	17	47	12	125	-	-	-	-
Norway	2 541	1 152	3 181	31	433	1 312	1 400	850	65	138	357 <sup>1)</sup>
Poland	7 234	5 221	2 003	4 646	3 579	3 526	129	347	102	-	-
U.K.(England and Wales)	-	131	122	79	74	222	307	93	12	5	-
USSR	50 407	11 806	6 839	14 629	16 083	15 937	7 725	5 631	3 200	5 556	6 418
Total	62 764	18 873	16 081	24 660	28 511	29 610	16 221	10 134	6 080	7 209	8 115

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

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Table 34. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Sub-areas I and II, 1971-81.  
 (Data for 1971-80 from Bulletin Statistique)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Faroe Isl.	-	-	-	-	-	2	21	-	24	-	-
German Dem. Rep.	2 949 <sup>1)</sup>	1 633 <sup>1)</sup>	3 954	5 914	8 472	8 955	8 176	4 611	3 488	2 080	1 358
Germany, Fed. Rep.	3	3	59	88	94	31	148	321	481	303	118
Norway: trawl catch <sup>1)</sup>	2 309	9 656	10 217	4 656	1 686	4 030	2 564	2 302	921	1 559	2 996 <sup>1)</sup>
long-line catch and gill net <sup>1)</sup>	7 157	6 327	3 772	4 135	3 172	1 975	1 653	1 780	1 992	1 598	1 210 <sup>1)</sup>
Poland	12 277	7 981	2 140	5 146	3 645	3 566	224	544	106	-	-
U.K. (England and Wales)	-	1 262	1 235	866	731	935	1 059	407	59	26	9
USSR	54 339	16 193	8 561	16 958	20 372	16 580	15 045	14 651	10 311	7 670	9 265
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	48	-
Total	79 034	43 055	29 938	37 763	38 172	36 074	28 890	24 617	17 312	13 284	14 956

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

Table 35. GREENLAND HALIBUT in Sub-areas I and II.  
Catch per unit effort and total effort.

Year	USSR Catch/hour trawling (tonnes)	German Dem. Rep. Catch/day trawling (tonnes)	Norway Catch/hour trawling (tonnes)	Calibrated catch per unit effort CPUE	Total effort $\times 10^{-3}$ (CPUE units)	CPUE 7+
1965	.80			2.55	13.7	
1966	.77			2.45	10.7	
1967	.70			2.23	10.8	
1968	.65			2.07	12.6	
1969	.53			1.69	25.9	
1970	.53			1.69	52.9	1.59
1971	.46			1.47	53.8	1.38
1972	.37			1.18	36.5	1.05
1973	.37	8.6	.506	1.26	23.8	1.22
1974	.40	8.4	.432	1.22	31.0	1.14
1975	.39	8.9	.479	1.28	29.8	1.22
1976	.40	7.1	.452	1.17	30.8	1.09
1977	.27	5.0	.361	.85	33.9	.73
1978	.21	4.6	.223	.65	37.9	.53
1979	.23	4.8	.298	.74	23.4	.53
1980	.24	6.6	.271	.82	16.2	.71
1981	.37		.443	1.18	12.7	.86

Table 36. The four sets of mean weight at age data, one used for the period 1970-78, one used for 1979, another for 1980, and the last for 1981 in the predictions.

Age	$\bar{w}$ (kg) 1970-78	$\bar{w}$ (kg) 1979	$\bar{w}$ (kg) 1980	$\bar{w}$ (kg) 1981
3	0.200	0.3	0.200	.20
4	0.441	0.6	0.482	.50
5	0.567	0.9	0.702	.66
6	0.737	1.2	0.872	.84
7	1.079	1.5	1.141	1.15
8	1.421	1.8	1.468	1.56
9	1.848	2.2	1.778	2.04
10	2.281	2.6	2.302	2.57
11	2.887	3.0	2.664	2.98
12	3.247	3.5	3.046	3.43
13	4.303	4.1	3.368	4.13
14	4.931	4.8	4.285	4.68
15	5.765	5.6	5.025	5.81
16	6.308	7.0	6.589	6.59

Table 37. The estimated catch (sum of products) compared with the observed catch using the age compositions (Table 38) and the mean weights in Table 36.

Year	Observed catch	Sum of products	Weight correction factor
1970	89 484	94 846	0.943
1971	79 034	75 749	1.043
1972	43 055	44 353	0.971
1973	29 938	32 440	0.923
1974	37 763	38 557	0.979
1975	38 172	43 505	0.877
1976	36 074	39 022	0.924
1977	28 827	28 902	0.997
1978	24 617	23 728	1.037
1979	17 312	17 263	1.003
1980	13 284	12 339	1.077
1981	14 956	14 709	1.017

Table 38. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas I and II.  
Input catch data for VPA ('000).

	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
3	1	1	1	1	1	22	1	62	78
4	54	1	461	19	276	334	98	755	532
5	526	80	1109	212	917	840	830	2037	1897
6	2792	4480	5521	1117	2519	2357	2982	3255	3589
7	10464	12712	9605	5923	6204	6520	5824	4200	4118
8	18562	12283	6438	5515	3838	4118	5062	2524	2365
9	10034	6130	2775	2551	1834	2265	3000	1610	1509
10	6671	4339	1734	1919	1942	1654	1350	1104	946
11	2517	2703	1368	1536	1622	1857	915	1062	934
12	1250	1060	1234	1127	1338	1536	1212	858	438
13	616	1044	675	716	734	1122	698	595	349
14	1104	300	200	251	531	600	526	384	147
15	266	123	40	70	137	270	254	93	83
16+	15	20	40	56	79	98	104	87	29
TOTAL	54852	45882	29201	17013	21972	23573	22796	18626	17014

	1979	1980	1981
3	88	64	660
4	887	275	1140
5	2218	731	1886
6	3155	1138	1907
7	2727	1065	1912
8	1234	1341	930
9	495	944	484
10	319	473	446
11	296	511	481
12	243	275	377
13	103	242	383
14	45	145	149
15	50	62	47
16+	21	16	15
TOTAL	11861	7882	10817

Table 39. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas I and II.  
Fishing mortalities from VPA ( $M = 0.15$ ).

	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
3	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.002	0.002
4	0.001	0.000	0.013	0.001	0.011	0.013	0.004	0.032	0.019
5	0.014	0.003	0.037	0.007	0.037	0.039	0.057	0.107	0.100
6	0.067	0.151	0.159	0.045	0.101	0.118	0.180	0.190	0.263
7	0.296	0.454	0.515	0.252	0.351	0.384	0.450	0.388	0.367
8	0.697	0.630	0.413	0.338	0.394	0.392	0.338	0.338	0.371
9	0.599	0.490	0.263	0.269	0.280	0.401	0.519	0.311	0.328
10	0.620	0.532	0.234	0.276	0.319	0.412	0.418	0.345	0.286
11	0.523	0.518	0.299	0.316	0.374	0.538	0.597	0.641	0.517
12	0.555	0.746	0.447	0.405	0.470	0.689	0.774	0.754	0.564
13	0.876	1.254	0.741	0.478	0.473	0.871	0.741	1.092	0.758
14	1.891	1.546	0.821	0.645	0.747	0.850	1.593	1.195	0.844
15	1.370	1.320	0.860	0.730	0.850	1.060	1.070	0.980	0.870
16+	1.370	1.320	0.860	0.730	0.850	1.060	1.070	0.980	0.870
F( /-11),u	0.547	0.525	0.345	0.290	0.344	0.425	0.465	0.405	0.374
									1
									0
									1
	1979	1980	1981						
3	0.001	0.002	0.020						
4	0.026	0.005	0.040						
5	0.097	0.025	0.037						
6	0.228	0.063	0.081						
7	0.309	0.171	0.135						
8	0.168	0.232	0.129						
9	0.116	0.178	0.116						
10	0.100	0.147	0.113						
11	0.129	0.219	0.207						
12	0.230	0.160	0.235						
13	0.233	0.355	0.330						
14	0.188	0.559	0.364						
15	0.380	0.400	0.332						
16+	0.380	0.400	0.332						
F( /-11),u	0.164	0.189	0.140						

able 40. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas I and II.  
Stock size in numbers ('000) from VPA.

1 January

	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1
3	44453	45089	36631	32096	35282	29212	29703	35531	43607	1
4	34887	38261	38808	31528	27624	28645	25122	25616	30525	1
5	40044	29996	52930	32975	27119	23521	24345	21532	21349	1
6	46323	34495	25744	27316	28185	22492	19466	20185	16647	1
7	43868	37285	25540	18901	22476	21928	17196	13997	14364	1
8	39501	28094	20375	13137	12643	13620	12859	9433	8173	1
9	23790	16942	12885	11601	8063	7342	7925	6462	5789	1
10	15437	11245	8935	8526	7628	5246	4250	4058	4076	1
11	6008	7151	5683	6088	5566	4773	2990	2396	2474	1
12	3137	3570	5666	3628	3822	3294	2398	1729	1086	1
13	1124	1550	1376	2018	2083	2056	1424	952	701	1
14	1369	403	381	564	1077	1117	741	584	275	1
15	578	178	74	144	255	439	411	158	152	1
16+	21	29	74	115	147	159	168	148	53	1
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	301543	254087	213101	188636	179970	163843	149038	142783	149270	1
	51865	40367	33072	32684	28641	24426	20287	16488	14605	1

1979      1980      1981      1982

3	75879	36426	55884*****	
4	37461	65228	31293	30274
5	25780	31421	55887	25878
6	16619	20136	26367	46355
7	11013	11388	16277	20929
8	8564	6961	8262	12240
9	4853	6229	4752	6250
10	3590	5719	4489	3642
11	2034	2794	2763	3451
12	1269	1993	1933	1934
13	532	868	1461	1315
14	282	562	524	904
15	102	202	178	313
16+	71	52	57	145
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	188648	187779	190127	
	15533	16219	16157	

Table 41. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas I and II.  
Biomass results from VPA ('000).

1 JANUARY

	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	
3	8891	9018	7326	6419	6650	5842	5953	7106	8721	
4	15385	16873	17114	15914	12182	12632	11179	11297	13461	
5	23045	17008	18671	18697	15376	13356	13864	12209	12105	
6	34140	25423	18973	20152	20773	16576	14547	14877	12269	
7	47334	40230	27558	20394	24252	23660	18554	15103	15499	
8	56131	39922	28953	18667	17900	19354	18272	13404	11614	
9	43964	31309	23811	21438	14900	13568	14645	11942	10698	
10	35212	25049	20380	19448	17400	11965	9050	9256	9297	
11	19018	20645	16407	17575	16669	13779	8631	6918	7142	
12	11187	10942	11902	11780	12409	10696	7787	5613	5526	
13	4838	6068	5921	8682	8965	8848	6126	4095	5014	
14	6753	1987	1877	2783	5310	5507	5054	2882	1355	
15	2118	1025	426	831	1470	2532	2369	913	877	
16+	134	182	460	728	927	1000	1061	935	335	1 62
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	307270	246881	199786	181478	174654	159303	135932	116550	109914	1
	122344	98407	81190	83265	77449	67902	53923	42556	36245	

	1979	1980	1981
3	22764	7285	7171
4	22477	31440	15647
5	23202	22058	36886
6	19943	17558	22148
7	16519	12994	18718
8	15414	10219	12888
9	10676	11076	9694
10	9533	8560	11536
11	7903	6444	8234
12	4442	6072	6630
13	2180	2922	6035
14	1356	1553	2450
15	570	1013	1037
16+	498	343	375
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	157275	14057	159455
	36957	3891	45991

Table 42. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas I and II. Input used in catch prediction. List of input variables by age group:

Age	Stock size in 1982 $\times 10^3$	F-pattern	M	Maturity ogive	Weight in the catch (kg)	Weight in the stock (kg)
Age						
3	36600.00	0.0050	0.150	0.0000	0.2000	0.2000
4	31024.00	0.0650	0.150	0.0000	0.5000	0.5000
5	25878.00	0.2640	0.150	0.0000	0.6600	0.6600
6	46355.00	0.5790	0.150	0.0000	0.8400	0.8400
7	20929.00	0.9690	0.150	0.0000	1.1500	1.1500
8	12240.00	0.9210	0.150	0.0000	1.5600	1.5600
9	6250.00	0.8290	0.150	1.0000	2.0400	2.0400
10	3642.00	0.8070	0.150	1.0000	2.5700	2.5700
11	3451.00	1.4790	0.150	1.0000	2.9800	2.9800
12	1934.00	1.6790	0.150	1.0000	3.4300	3.4300
13	1315.00	2.3570	0.150	1.0000	4.1300	4.1300
14	904.00	2.6000	0.150	1.0000	4.6800	4.6800
15	313.00	2.3710	0.150	1.0000	5.8100	5.8100
16+	145.00	2.3710	0.150	1.0000	6.5900	6.5900

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Average recruitment at age 3 1983 and 1984 36 600  $\times 10^3$ .

Catch 1982: 12 000 tonnes

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Table 43. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Division Va.  
(As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Faroe Isl.	1 316	1 180	188	41	2	373	947	256	42	91	324
German Dem. Rep.	3 317 <sup>1)</sup>	159 <sup>1)</sup>	320	388	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	882	1 119	826	1 786	887	1 719	4 642	-	-	-	-
Iceland	5 020	4 640	2 115	2 842	1 212	1 687	10 090	11 319	16 934	27 836	15 455
Norway	369	186	-	-	-	-	+	13	+	-	-
Poland	899	31	-	485	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.K.(Engl. & Wales)	-	2 223	3 648	2 314	1 207	1 669	-	-	-	-	-
USSR	3 246	1 128	289	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	15 049	10 666	7 386	7 866	3 308	5 448	15 679	11 588	16 976	27 927	15 779

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

Table 44. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Division Vb.  
 (As Reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
Faroe Isl.	-	-	-	7	6	2	304	2	108	951	923
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	66	51	-
German Dem. Rep.	-	-	-	147	91	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	11	405	287	163	437	309	341	570	234	172	99
Norway	-	-	-	-	7	7	5 <sup>1)</sup>	3	1	3	-
Poland	-	-	9	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.K. (Engl. & Wales)	-	12	61	8	+	6	8	8	-	-	-
USSR	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	11	417	358	325	559	324	658	595	409	1 177	1 022

<sup>x)</sup> Provisional data

<sup>1)</sup> From national statistics

Table 45. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Sub-area XIV.  
(As reported officially to ICES.)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981 <sup>x)</sup>
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
German Dem. Rep.	3 491 <sup>1)</sup>	7 328 <sup>1)</sup>	6 806	25 266	16 872	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	270	5	7	+	64	191	224	2 156	6 227	2 146	2 798
Greenland	2	3	4	2	1	1	1	6	-	-	-
Iceland	+	-	3	1	+	2	-	-	-	2	-
Norway	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 <sup>1)</sup>	3	-	-	-
Poland	7 190	7 847	3 122	1 057	1 054	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.K. (Engl. & Wales)	-	1	1	1	2	5	11	1	-	-	-
USSR	2 240	205	776	1 762	1 634	74	-	-	-	-	-
Total	13 913	15 389	12 719	28 089	19 627	273	241	2 166	6 231	2 148	2 798

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

Table 46. GREENLAND HALIBUT. Nominal catch (tonnes) in Sub-areas V and XIV, 1971-81.  
(Data for 1971-80 from Bulletin Statistique)

Country	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981x)
Faroe Isl.	1 316	1 180	188	48	8	375	1 251	258	150	1 042	1 247
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	70	51	-
German Dem. Rep.	6 808 <sup>1)</sup>	7 487 <sup>1)</sup>	9 126	25 801	16 963	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany, Fed. Rep.	1 163	1 529	1 120	1 949	1 388	2 219	5 207	2 726	6 461	2 318	2 897
Greenland	2	3	4	2	1	1	4	6	-	-	-
Iceland	5 020	4 640	2 118	2 843	1 212	1 689	10 090	11 319	16 934	27 838	15 455
Norway	369	186	-	-	7	7	7	19	1	3	-
Poland	8 809	7 878	3 131	1 542	1 072	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.K. (Engl. & Wales)	-	2 236	3 710	2 323	1 209	1 680	19	9	-	-	-
USSR	5 486	1 333	1 066	1 772	1 634	74	-	-	-	-	-
Total	28 973	26 472	20 463	36 280	23 494	6 045	16 578	14 349	23 616	31 252	19 599

x) Provisional data

1) From national statistics

Table 47. GREENLAND HALIBUT in Sub-areas V and XIV.  
Catch per unit effort from Icelandic  
trawler reports in April-May 1978-81. Hauls  
with Greenland halibut 80% or more of the  
total catch included.

Years	Hours trawling	Catch (tonnes)	Cpue (tonnes)	Total effort (calculated)
1978	563	1 364	2.42	5 929
1979	388	936	2.41	9 802
1980	1 731	5 634	3.25	9 616
1981*)	375	952	2.54	7 716

x) Preliminary

Table 48. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Input catch data for VPA ('000).

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	
4	1	1	0	1	0	6	6	
5	120	43	0	23	29	47	27	
6	800	296	34	91	197	502	162	
7	1775	584	671	347	1605	1536	592	
8	1782	621	1727	1037	2253	2630	1184	
9	1259	431	2289	1214	3090	3126	1459	
10	926	240	834	848	1693	2324	1800	
11	464	121	420	567	880	1739	1526	
12	459	86	423	312	394	849	578	
13	279	37	174	232	246	578	444	
14	193	32	120	218	189	306	257	
15	137	14	28	114	147	143	180	
16	39	6	86	112	101	82	116	
17	2	1	41	64	15	29	183	
18+	44	2	14	28	9	5	29	
TOTAL	8280	2515	6861	5208	10848	13902	8443	69

**Table 49.** GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Fishing mortalities from VPA ( $M = 0.15$ ).

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
4	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0003	0.0003
5	0.0044	0.0017	0.0000	0.0014	0.0013	0.0027	0.0015
6	0.0419	0.0128	0.0015	0.0060	0.0141	0.0255	0.0110
7	0.1267	0.0570	0.0344	0.0184	0.1322	0.1379	0.0360
8	0.2232	0.0565	0.1385	0.0649	0.1504	0.3126	0.1420
9	0.2566	0.0730	0.2855	0.1294	0.2632	0.3027	0.2700
10	0.2746	0.0671	0.1863	0.1537	0.2529	0.3051	0.2700
11	0.1450	0.0493	0.1520	0.1765	0.2233	0.4196	0.2700
12	0.4332	0.0537	0.2292	0.1528	0.1694	0.3287	0.2700
13	0.5569	0.0524	0.0840	0.1794	0.1640	0.3767	0.2700
14	0.2845	0.1052	0.2258	0.1363	0.2058	0.2972	0.2700
15	0.4263	0.0282	0.1196	0.3275	0.1216	0.2241	0.2700
16	2.1124	0.0276	0.2279	0.8799	0.5074	0.0875	0.2700
17	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2700
18+	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2700
FC 8-13), 0	0.3146	0.0553	0.1795	0.1428	0.2039	0.3409	0.2487

Table 50. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Stock size in numbers ('000) from VPA.

1 January

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
4	32284	21990	20424	29050	21582	22544	21541*****	
5	29339	27780	18926	1579	24985	18576	19398	18555
6	20904	25141	23876	10290	15109	21478	15945	16671
7	16033	17303	21365	20518	13936	12822	18021	13574
8	9568	12157	14351	17767	17339	10510	9615	14962
9	5972	6588	9888	10754	14332	12839	6618	7180
10	4138	3977	5271	6397	8133	9481	8164	4348
11	3743	2706	3200	5766	4721	5436	6014	5364
12	1398	2792	2217	2366	2717	3250	3075	3952
13	699	781	2324	1518	1748	1974	2014	2021
14	836	345	638	1859	1092	1277	1106	1323
15	423	542	267	438	1381	765	816	766
16	47	238	453	204	272	1053	526	536
17	10	5	199	311	73	141	850	346
18+	214	10	68	150	44	24	152	632
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	125666	122358	123467	128911	127462	122168	115874	
	21521	25047	29910	53757	38805	38512	33152	

Table 51. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Biomass results from VPA ('000).

1 JANUARY

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
4	23954	14953	15888	19740	16014	16727	14260
5	28400	32148	21897	17016	22761	20898	20775
6	25135	59849	24974	19531	14233	27556	20042
7	22815	30591	30530	29198	17810	19066	25950
8	17738	26502	25746	32940	29060	18455	15960
9	13472	16931	22031	24262	29690	26359	13017
10	10788	12001	14165	16677	18974	21607	18455
11	11532	10095	9056	11602	12856	13579	15126
12	5022	11314	8679	8497	8957	9943	9072
13	3217	3758	9387	6987	6965	7467	6948
14	3927	1843	3005	8633	5096	5755	4701
15	2178	5115	1442	2255	6618	3931	3798
16	275	1480	2291	1202	1420	5929	2480
17	63	41	1245	2022	418	937	5184
18+	1669	87	476	1160	287	190	958
TOTAL SPAWN. ST.	170186	204709	189411	201722	191165	198398	176077
	57857	69823	79555	92084	96077	97961	84770

Table 52. GREENLAND HALIBUT in fishing areas V and XIV.  
Parameters used in catch projections.

Proportion of F before the spawning season: 0.0000

Proportion of M before the spawning season: 0.0000

List of input variables by age group:

AGE	Stock size at the beginning of 1982	F-PATTERN	M	MATURITY UGIVE	WEIGHT IN THE CATCH	WEIGHT IN THE STOCK
4	22852.001)	0.0011	0.150	0.0000	0.6620	0.6620
5	18535.00	0.0056	0.150	0.0000	1.0710	1.0710
6	16671.00	0.0410	0.150	0.0300	1.2570	1.2570
7	13574.00	0.1330	0.150	0.1000	1.4400	1.4400
8	14962.00	0.5300	0.150	0.3500	1.6600	1.6600
9	7180.00	1.0000	0.150	0.7700	1.9670	1.9670
10	4348.00	1.0000	0.150	0.9600	2.2580	2.2580
11	5304.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	2.5150	2.5150
12	3952.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	2.9500	2.9500
13	2021.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	3.4500	3.4500
14	1323.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	4.0330	4.0330
15	766.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	4.6520	4.6520
16	536.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	4.7140	4.7140
17	346.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	6.2450	6.2450
18+	632.00	1.0000	0.150	1.0000	7.2810	7.2810

1) Based on average recruitment 1976-81.

Table 53. *Sebastes mentella*. Length frequencies used in the mesh assessment.

Length in 2 cm groups	Div. Va	Div. Vb
	Federal Republic. of Germany fishery $\Sigma(1965-75)$ $C \times 10^{-3}$	Federal Republic of Germany fishery $\Sigma(1965-75)$ $C \times 10^{-3}$
20-21		
22-23		
24-25		
26-27	8	
28-29	3	
30-31	510	7
32-33	2 339	36
34-35	8 517	128
36-37	19 185	253
38-39	36 561	547
40-41	67 010	1 704
42-43	91 463	3 601
44-45	85 698	6 834
46-47	52 452	6 078
48-49	18 483	2 596
50-51	5 851	496
52-53	1 240	48
54-55	545	13
56-57	102	15
58-59	19	
60-61		2
Total	389 986	22 358

Table 54. *Sebastes marinus*. Length frequencies used in the mesh assessment.

Length in 3 cm groups	Division Va		Sub-area XIV
	Iceland fishery $\Sigma(1965-66+ 1972-75)$ $C \times 10^{-3}$	Germany, Fed. Rep. fishery $\Sigma(1965-75)$ $C \times 10^{-3}$	Germany, Fed. Rep. fishery $\Sigma(1965-75)$ $C \times 10^{-3}$
21-23	81		
24-26	195		29
27-29	1 243	84	200
30-32	10 175	1 320	3 291
33-35	34 174	10 350	11 592
36-38	48 504	23 954	18 210
39-41	36 869	27 864	20 392
32-44	20 007	21 989	22 179
45-47	8 448	15 203	27 671
48-50	5 484	10 760	23 458
51-53	3 266	5 377	9 574
54-56	846	1 449	2 406
57-59	120	122	581
60-62	69	1	400
63-65	115		391
66-68	25		280
69-71			168
72-74	22		97
75-77	11		22
78-80			3
Total	169 654	118 473	140 944

Table 55. Parameters used in the mesh assessment.

	<u>Sebastes marinus</u>			<u>Sebastes mentella</u>	
	Total SA XIV	Germany, Fed. Rep. Div. Va	Others Div. Va	Total Div. Va	Total Div. Vb
R75/R50	1.10	1.05	1.05	1.07	1.04
$L_\infty$	96.4	96.4	96.4	75.9	75.9
k	0.028	0.028	0.028	0.031	0.031
$t_o$	-1.63	-1.63	-1.63	-5.49	-5.49
F <sub>tot</sub>	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.800	0.800
M	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.100
25% derecruitment	No derecruitment			53.00 cm	53.00 cm
50% derecruitment				51.00 cm	51.00 cm
50% selection	32.40 cm	32.40 cm	32.40 cm	34.80 cm	34.80 cm
75% selection	37.90 cm	37.90 cm	37.90 cm	40.70 cm	40.70 cm
50% discard	32.00 cm	32.00 cm	28.50 cm	28.50 cm	28.50 cm
25% discard	34.00 cm	34.00 cm	31.50 cm	31.50 cm	31.50 cm
Splitting of total F	0.350	0.200	0.450	0.800	0.200

Table 56. *Sebastes mentella*. Summary results from simulation based on length distribution.

	50% recruitment	Sum of squares	Percentage distribution			
			Catch by number	Catch by weight (observ.)	Discards	
					From number	By weight
Total fishery in Division Va	46.2 cm	506	89.6	88.1 (89.4)	1.6	1.0
Total fishery in Division Vb	46.9 cm	974	10.4	11.9 (10.6)	0.4	0.3
		1 481	100.0	100.0 (100.0)		

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Table 57. *Sebastes marinus*. Summary results from simulation based on length distribution.

	50% recruitment	Sum of squares	Percentage distribution			
			Catch by number	Catch by weight (observ.)	Discards	
					From number	By weight
Total fishery in SA XIV	36.0 cm	31 168	28.6	30.6 (32.8)	11.9	5.2
Germany, Fed. Rep. fishery in Div. Va	36.0 cm	2 008	17.0	18.5 (18.1)	5.2	2.8
Total other fishery in Div. Va	32.0 cm	6 297	54.4	50.9 (49.1)	6.9	3.9
		39 473	100.0	100.0 (100.0)		

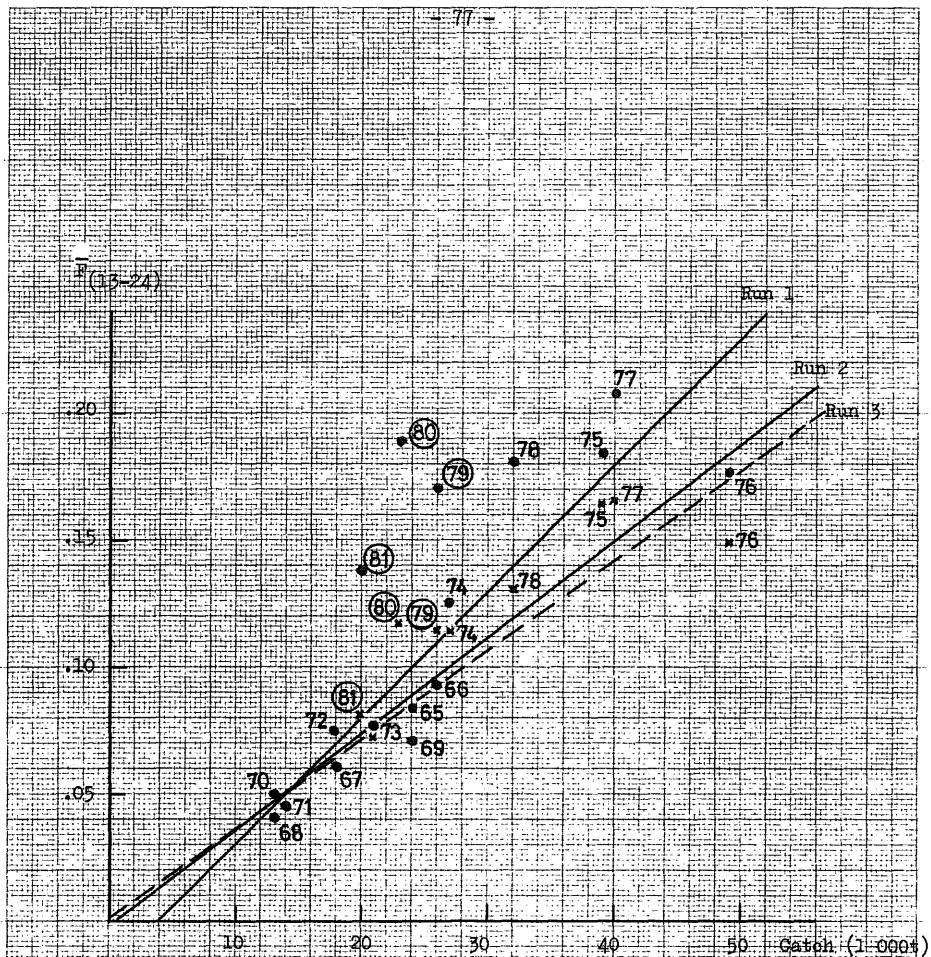


Figure 1. *Sebastes marinus* in Sub-area I and Division IIIa.

Plots of  $\bar{T}_{(15-24)}$  versus catch.

Dots are values from the first VPA run, and crosses from the second.

1. VPA run 1:  $y = .005x - .07$   $r^2 = .86$

2. VPA run 2:  $y = -.004x + .002$   $r^2 = .90$

3. VPA run 3:  $y = .005x + .002$   $r^2 = .90$

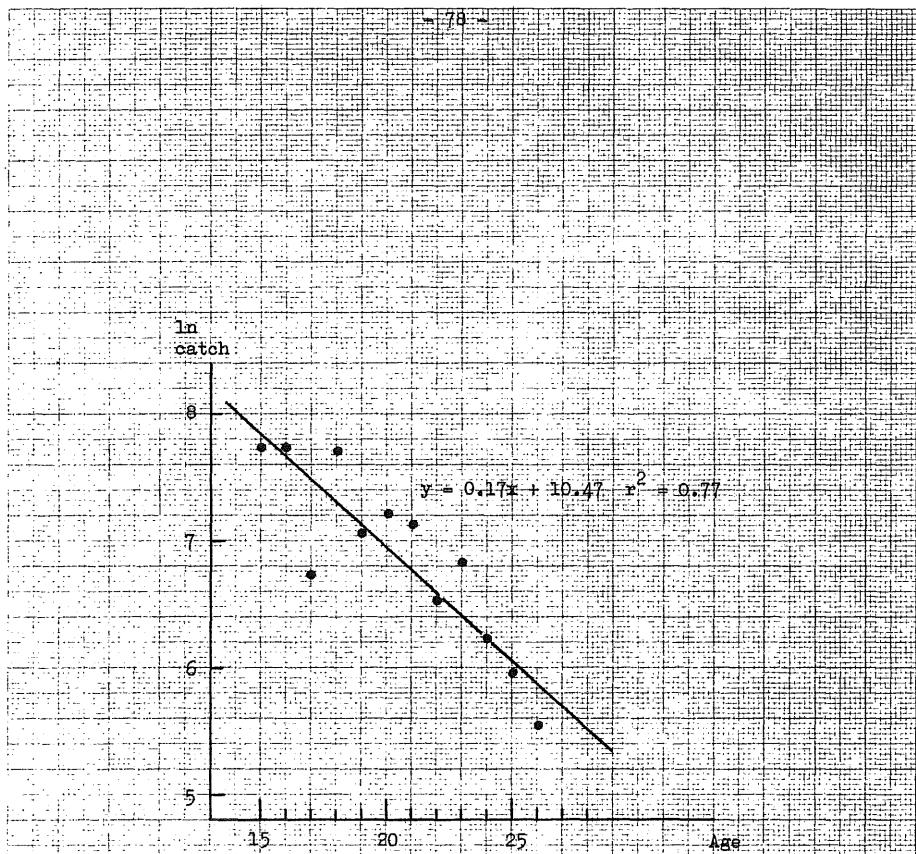


Figure 2. *Sebastes marinus* in Sub-area I and Division IIa.  
Catch curve for 1981.

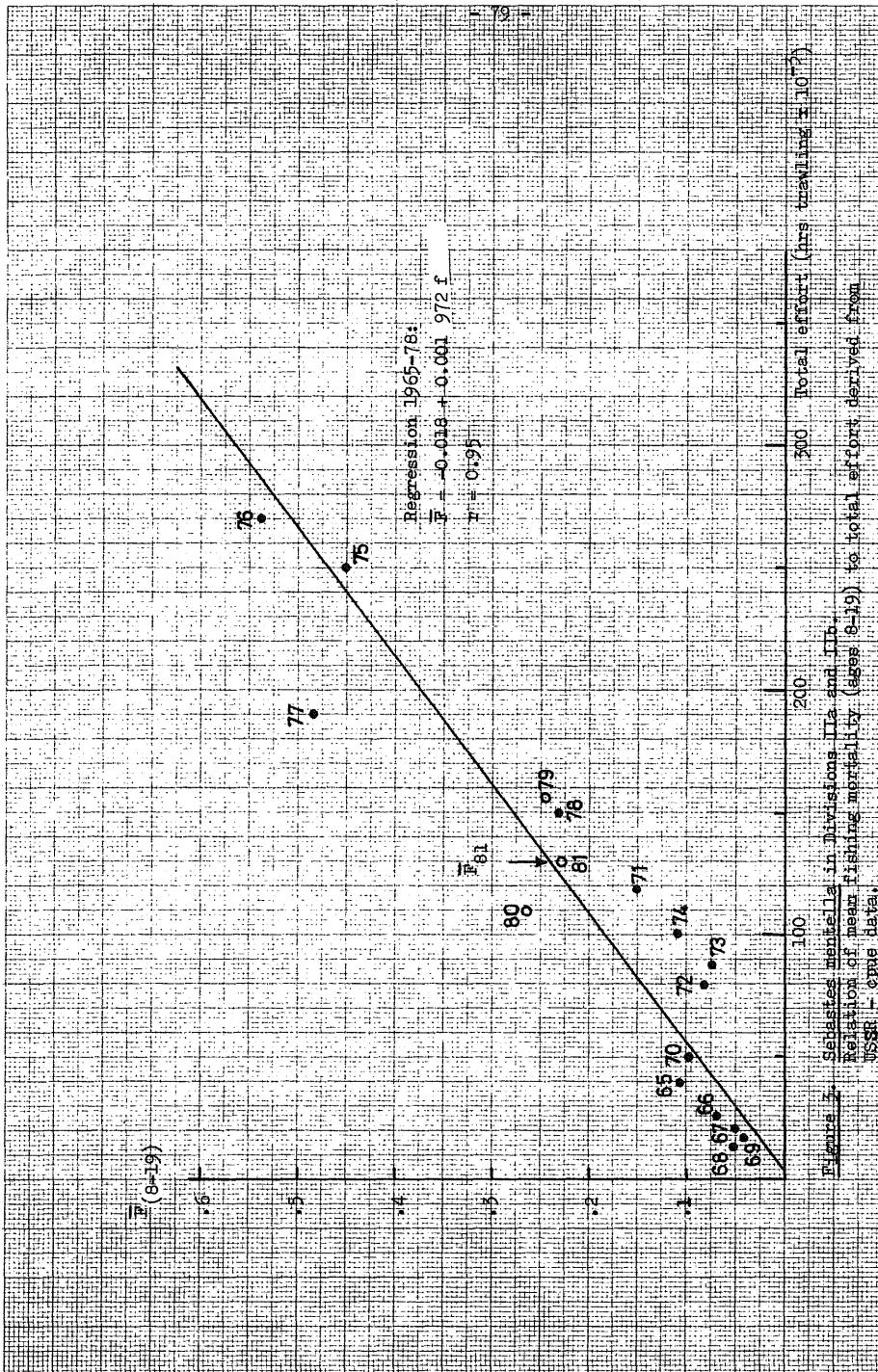


Figure 5. Scatter plot showing the relationship of mean fishing mortality (age 8-9) to total effort derived from ISSF - Trawl data.

Figure A. Seabass mortality in Divisions IIIa and IIIb.  
Relation of mean fishing mortality (ages 8-19) to total effort derived  
from German Democratic Republic - own data.

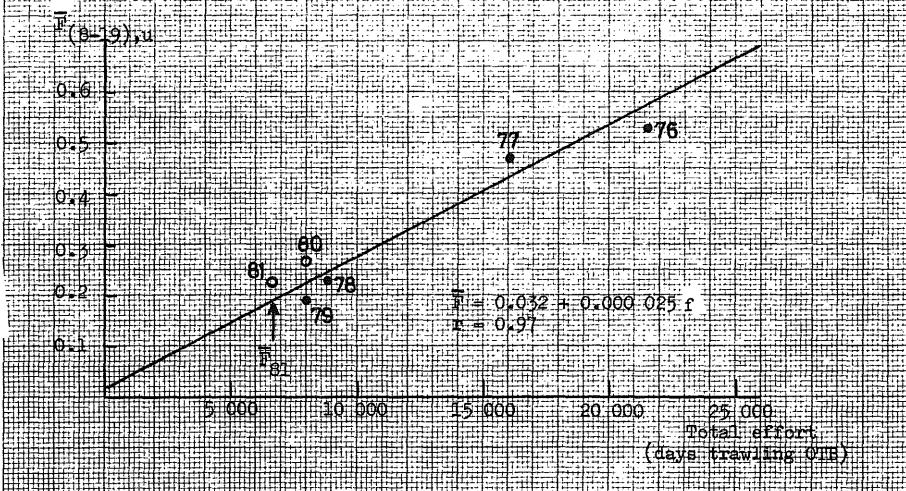
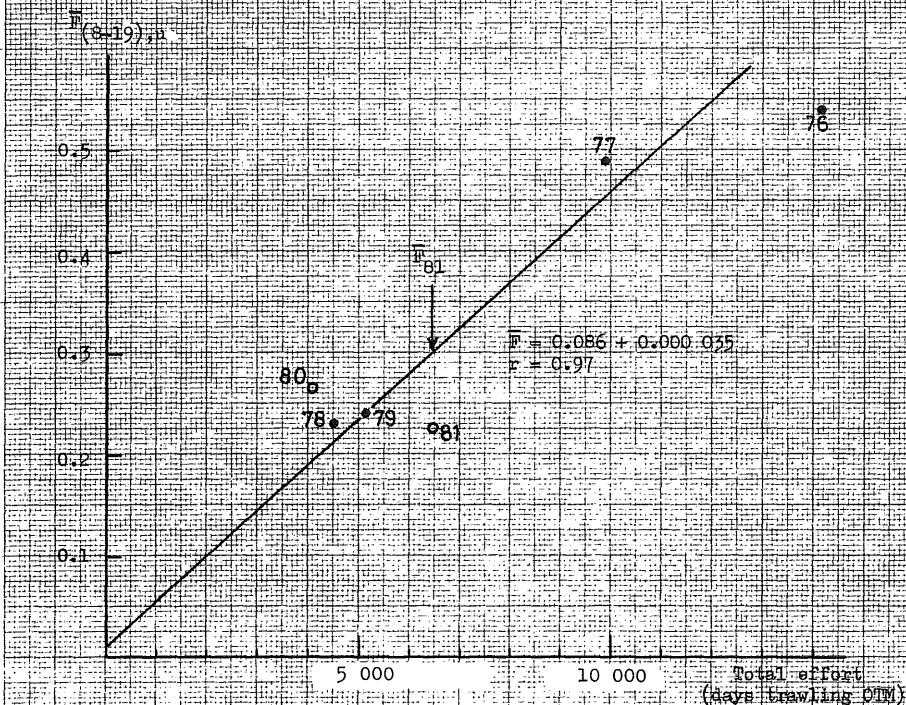


Figure 2. *Sebastodes mentella* in Divisions IIIa and IIIb.

F(8-19)

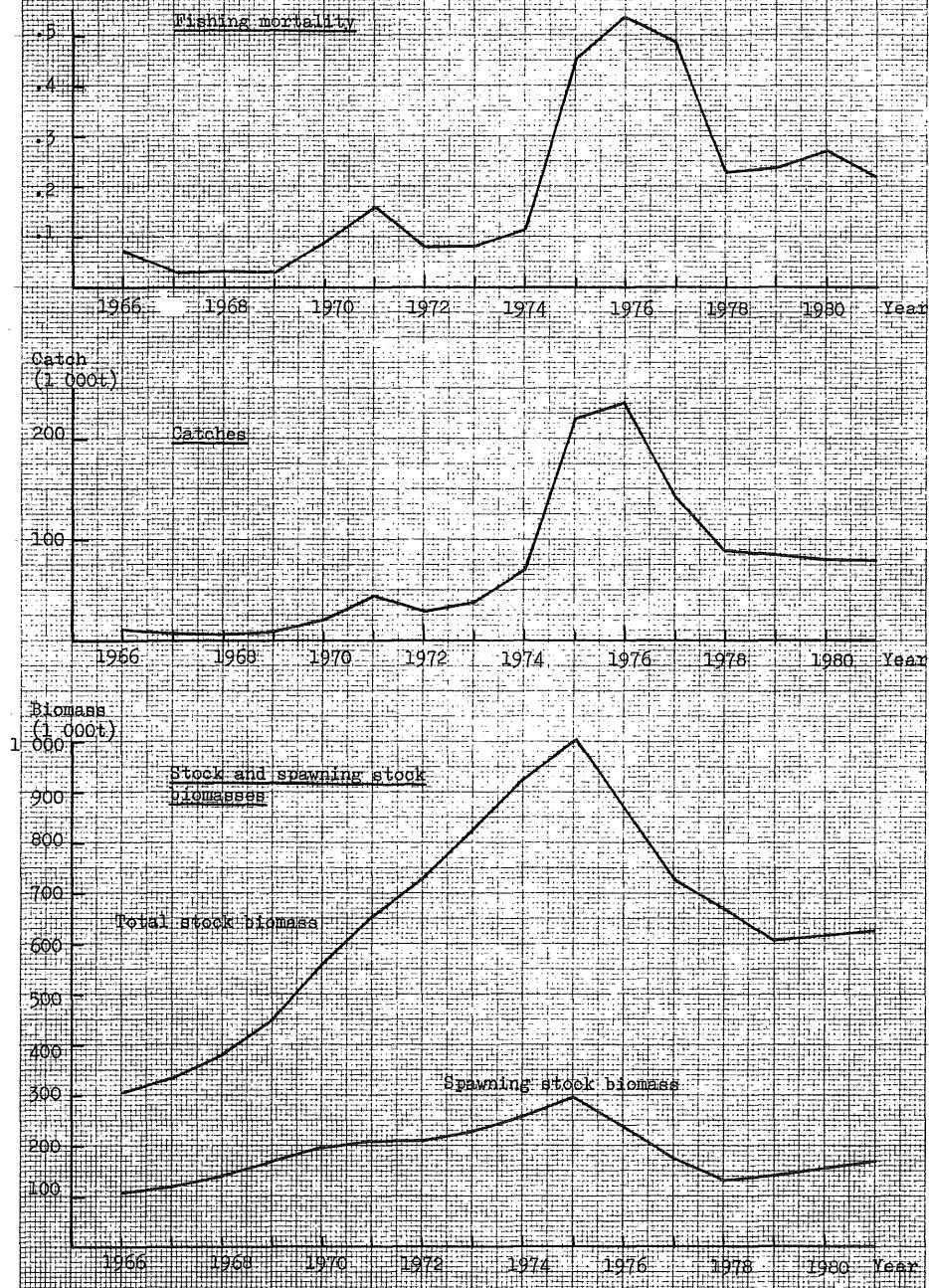


Figure 6. Seabirds mortality in Divisions IIIa and IIIb.  
Yield and spawning stock biomass per 6-year-old recruit curves for the present exploitation  
pattern ( $M = 0.1$ )

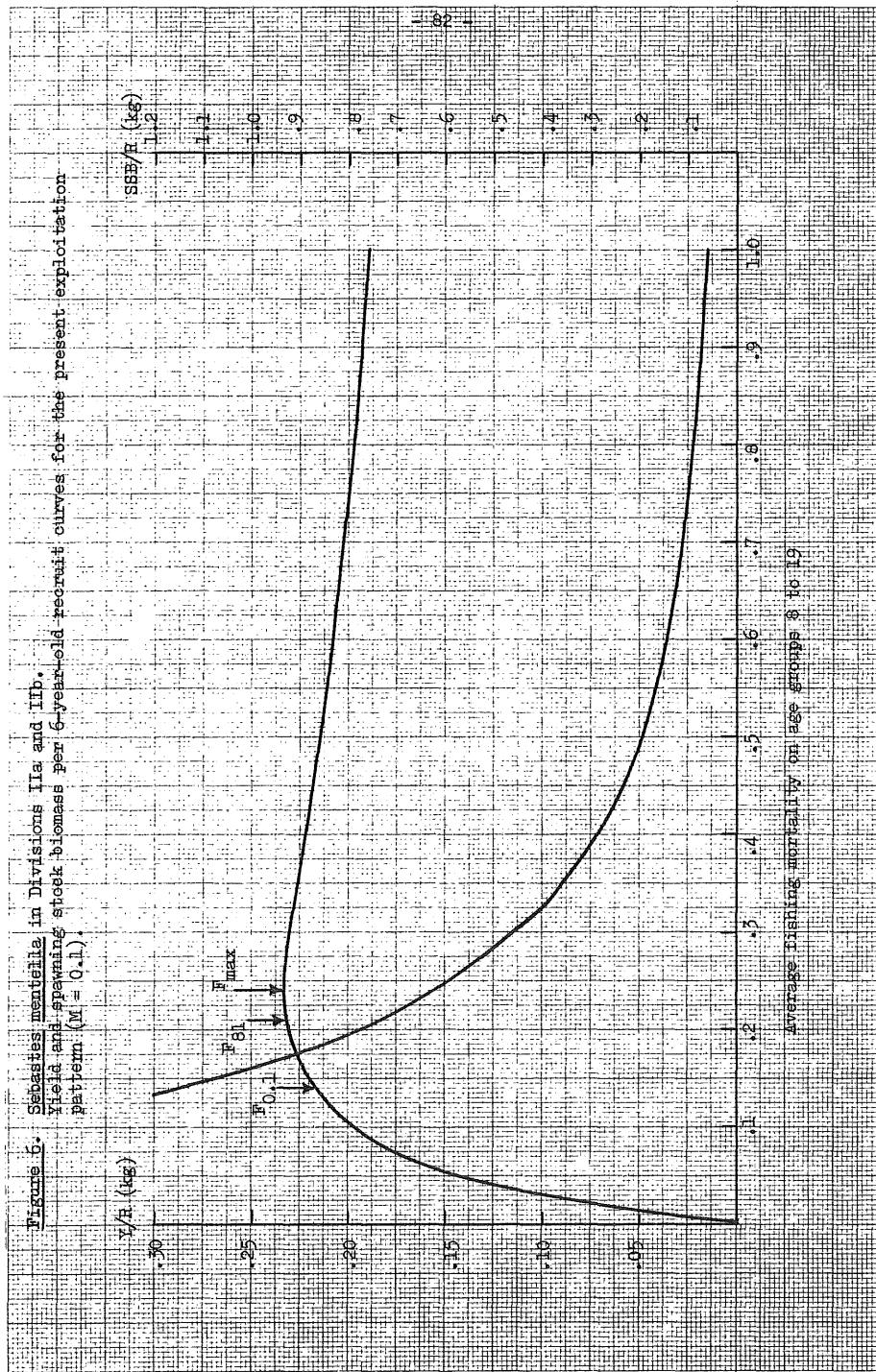


Figure 7. *Sebastodes mentella* in Divisions IIIa and IIIb.  
Catch in 1983; total biomass and spawning stock biomass at the  
beginning of 1984 at different levels of  $F_{B+19}$  in 1983.

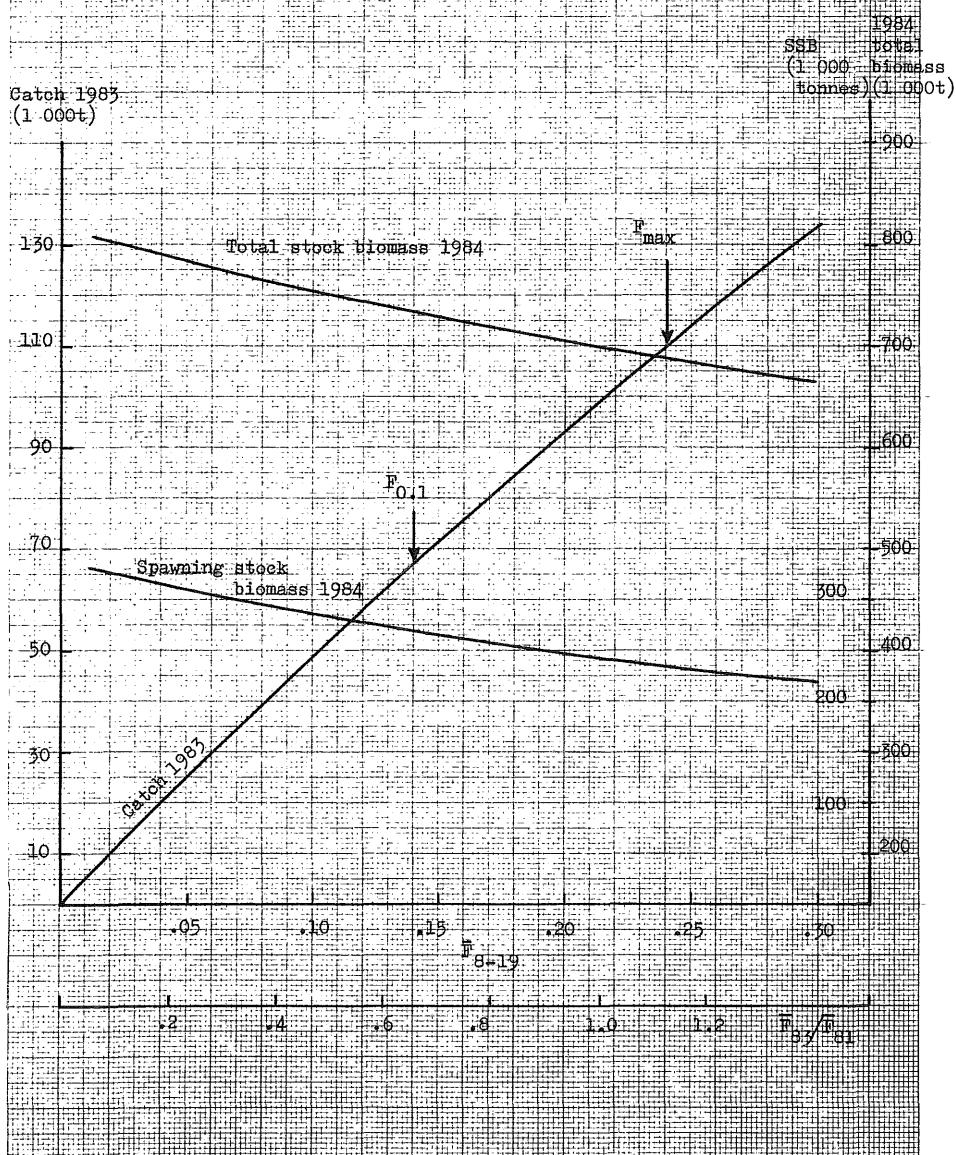


Figure 8. Seepage basins in Sub-area 7 (dike X-7) showing monthly flow (l/sec.) against total seepages 1970-79 (1976-82).

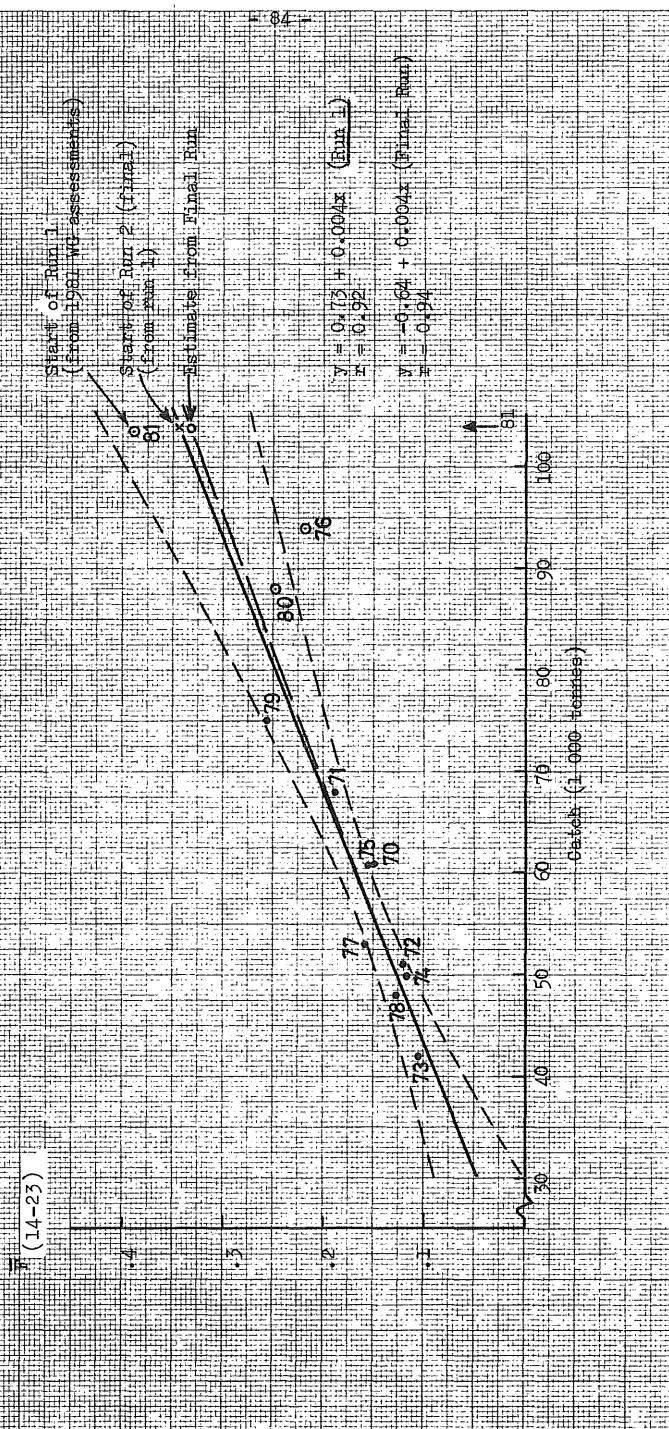


Figure 9. *Sebastodes marinus* in Sub-areas V and XIV.

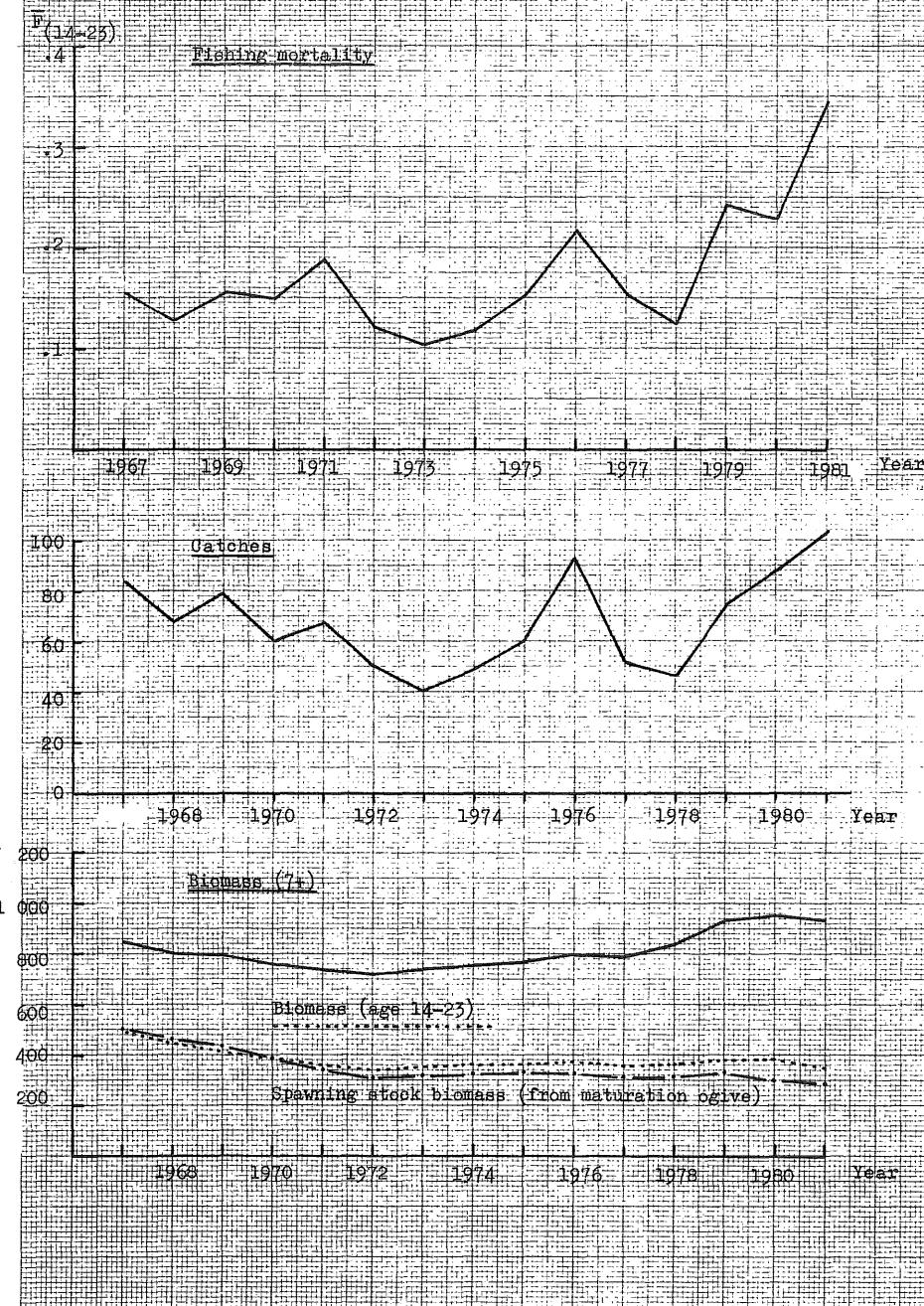
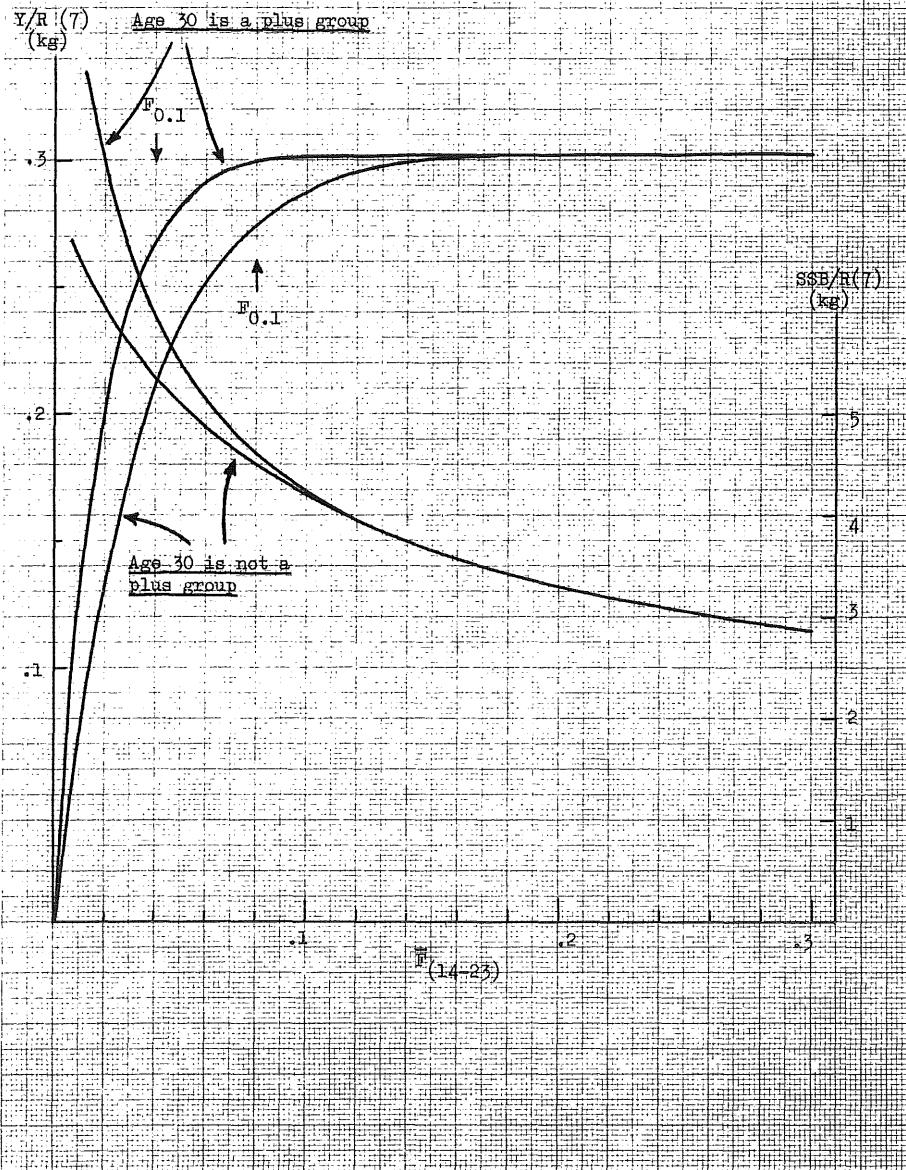
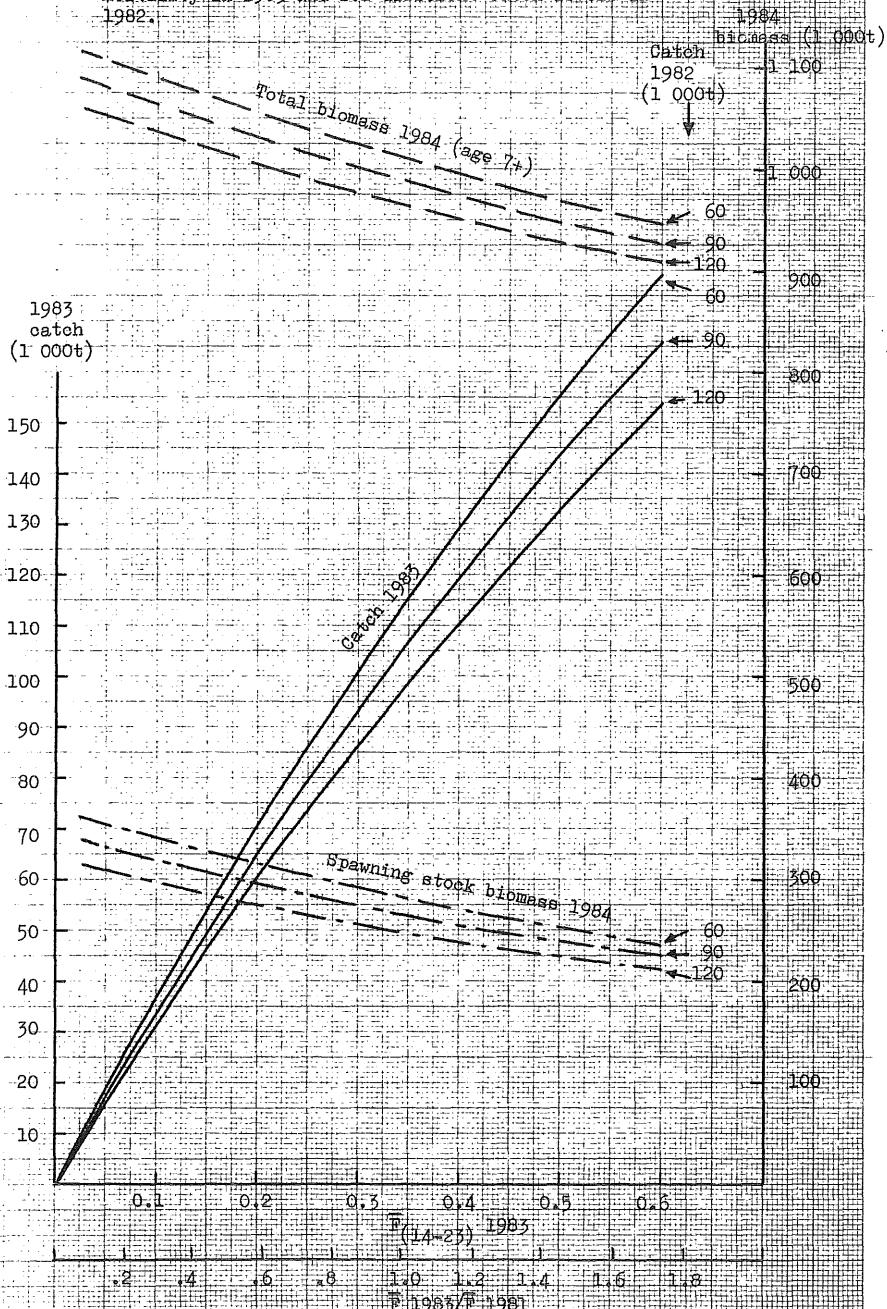


Figure 10. *Sebastodes marinus* in Sub-areas V and XIV.  
Yield per recruit and spawning stock biomass per recruit.



**Figure 11.** *Sebastodes marinus* in Sub-areas V and XIV.

Projections for catch in 1983, total biomass and spawning stock biomass at the beginning of 1984 at different levels of fishing mortality in 1983 and for different catch levels in 1982.



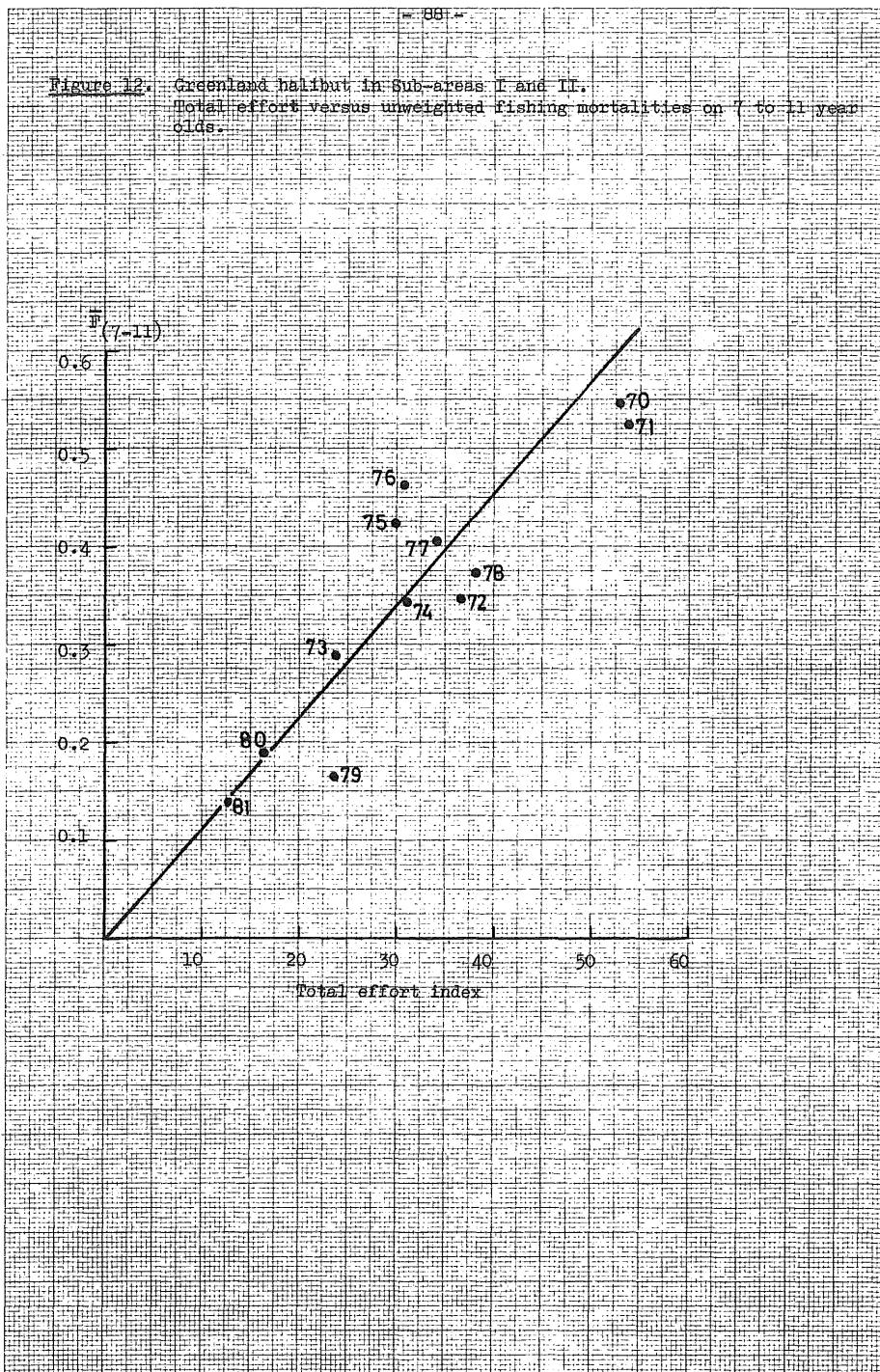


Figure 11a,b. Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I and II:  
Biomass in mid-season versus catch per unit effort.

The biomass estimates as well as catch per unit effort of  
7 years and older have been corrected by the SOF factors.

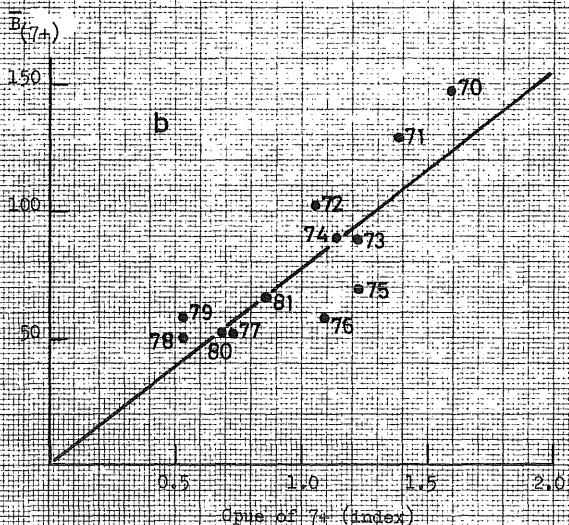
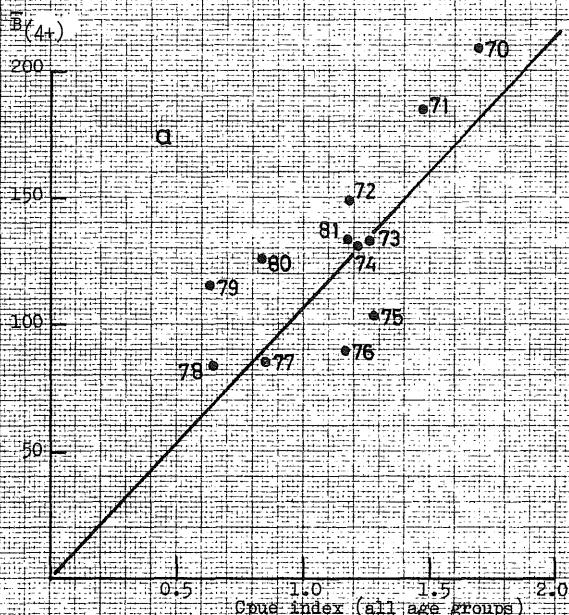


Figure 14. Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I and II.  
Exploitation pattern. Legend: 1) 1977-78, and 1981 for  
age groups 5-16+; 2) 1979; 3) 1980; 4) 1981 for age  
groups 3 and 4.

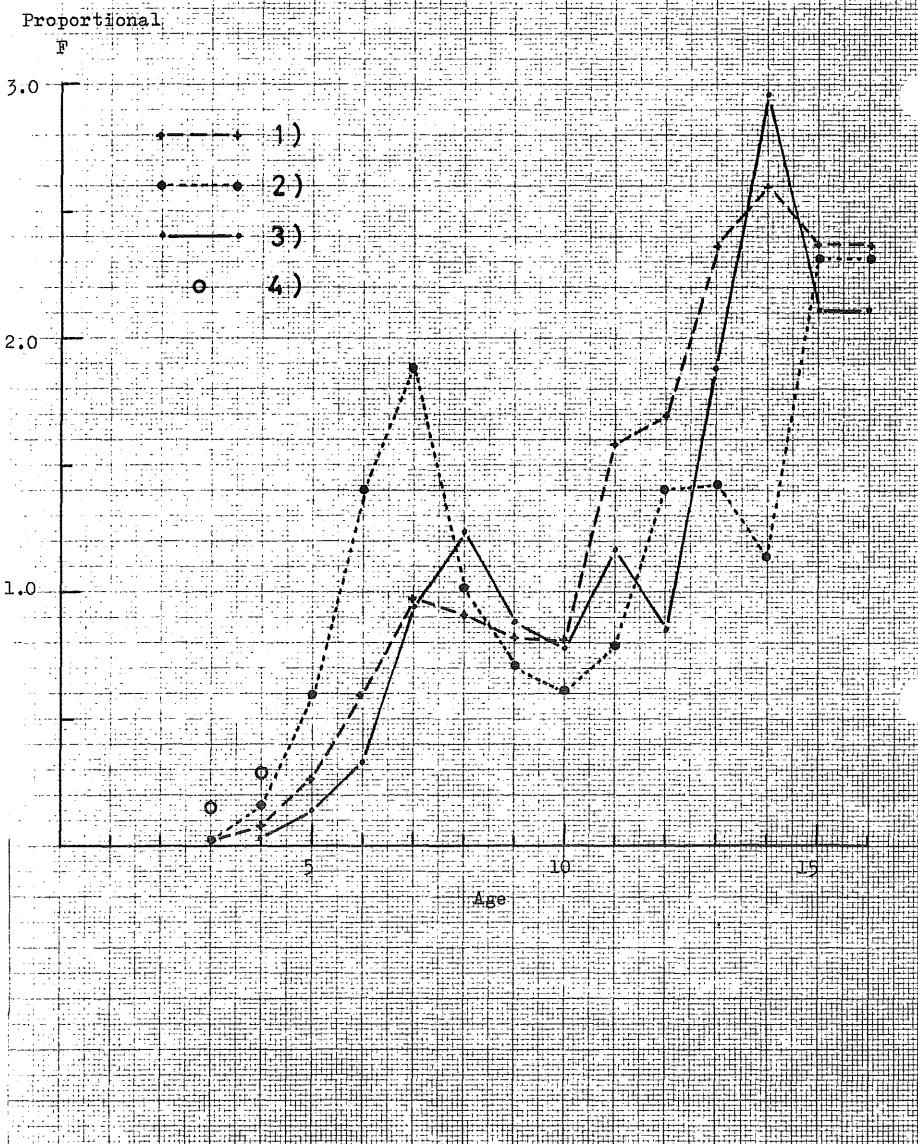


Figure 15. Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I and II.  
The fishing mortality, catch and development of the stock from  
1970-80.

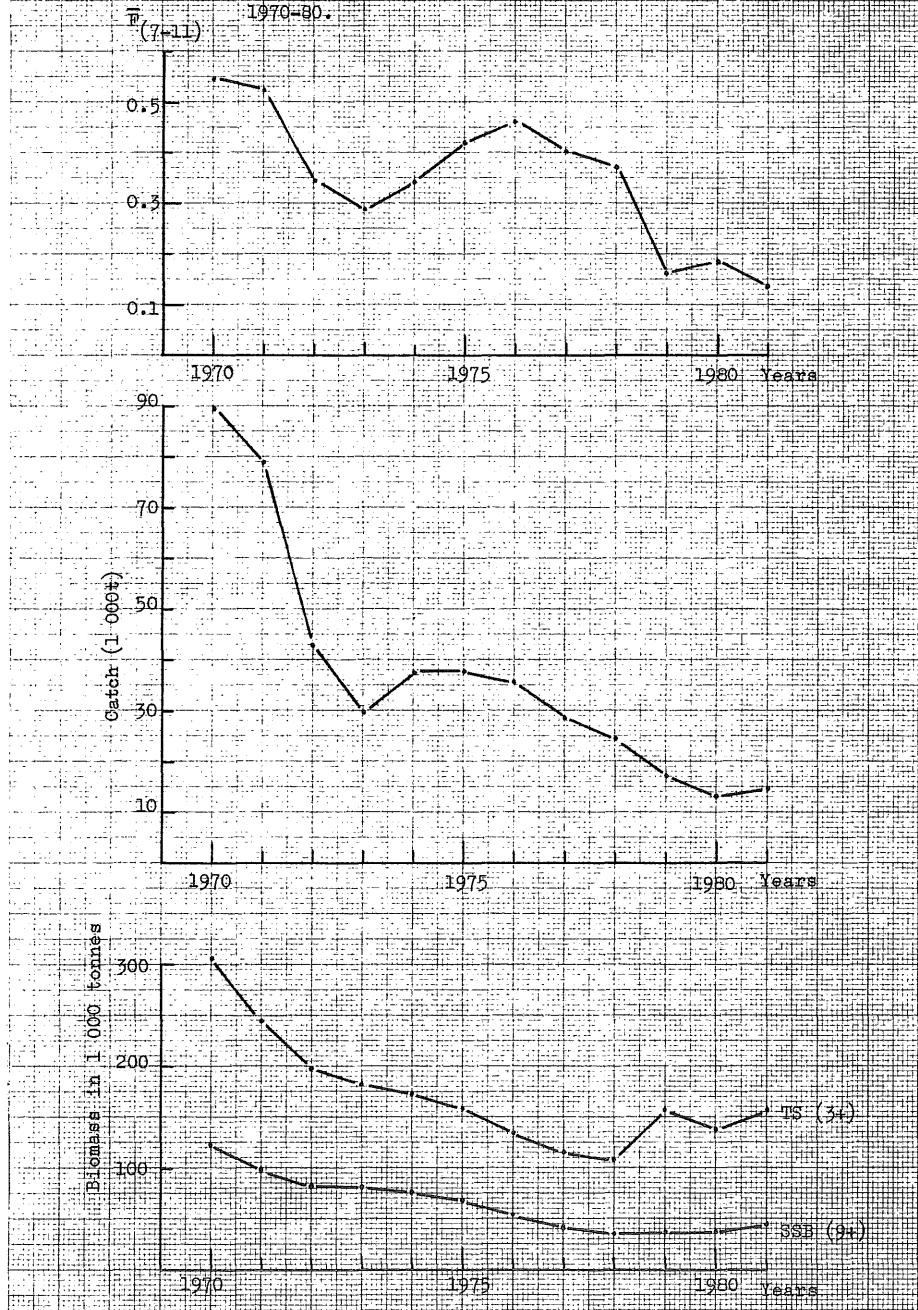


Figure 16 Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I and II.  
Yield per recruit and spawning stock biomass per recruit.

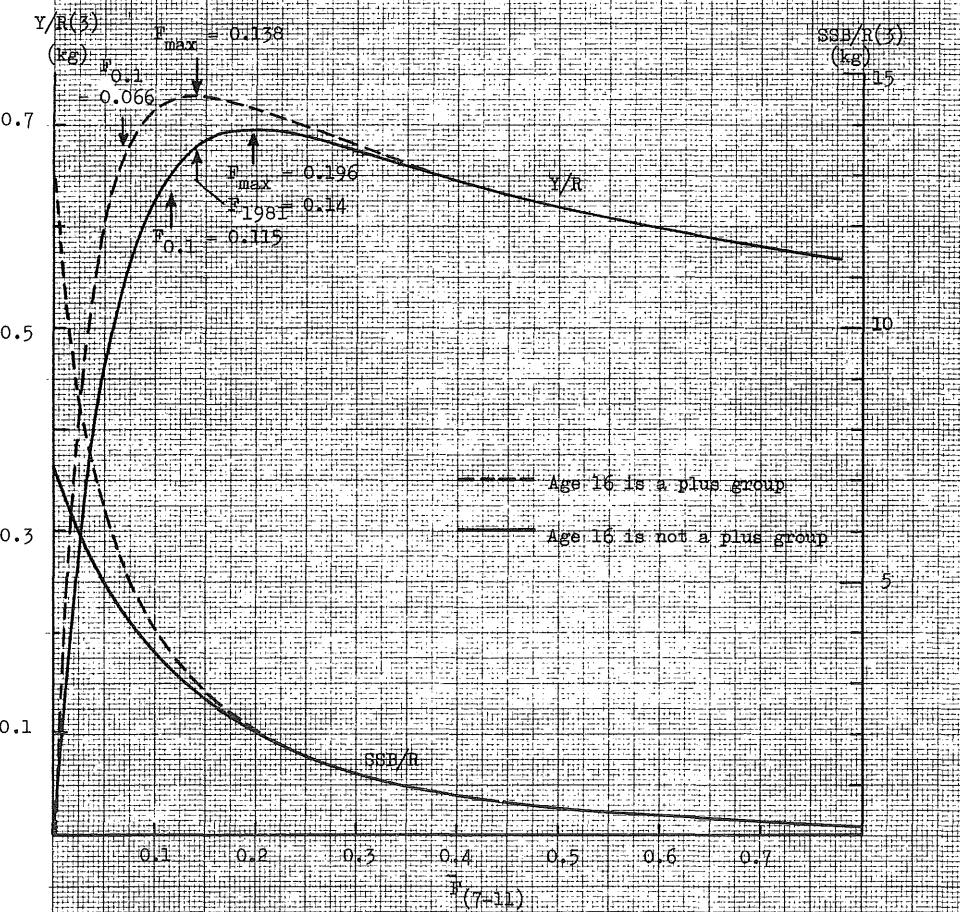


Figure 17. Greenland halibut in Sub-areas I and II.  
Predictions for catch in 1983, and spawning stock (9+) and total  
stock (3+) at the beginning of 1984.

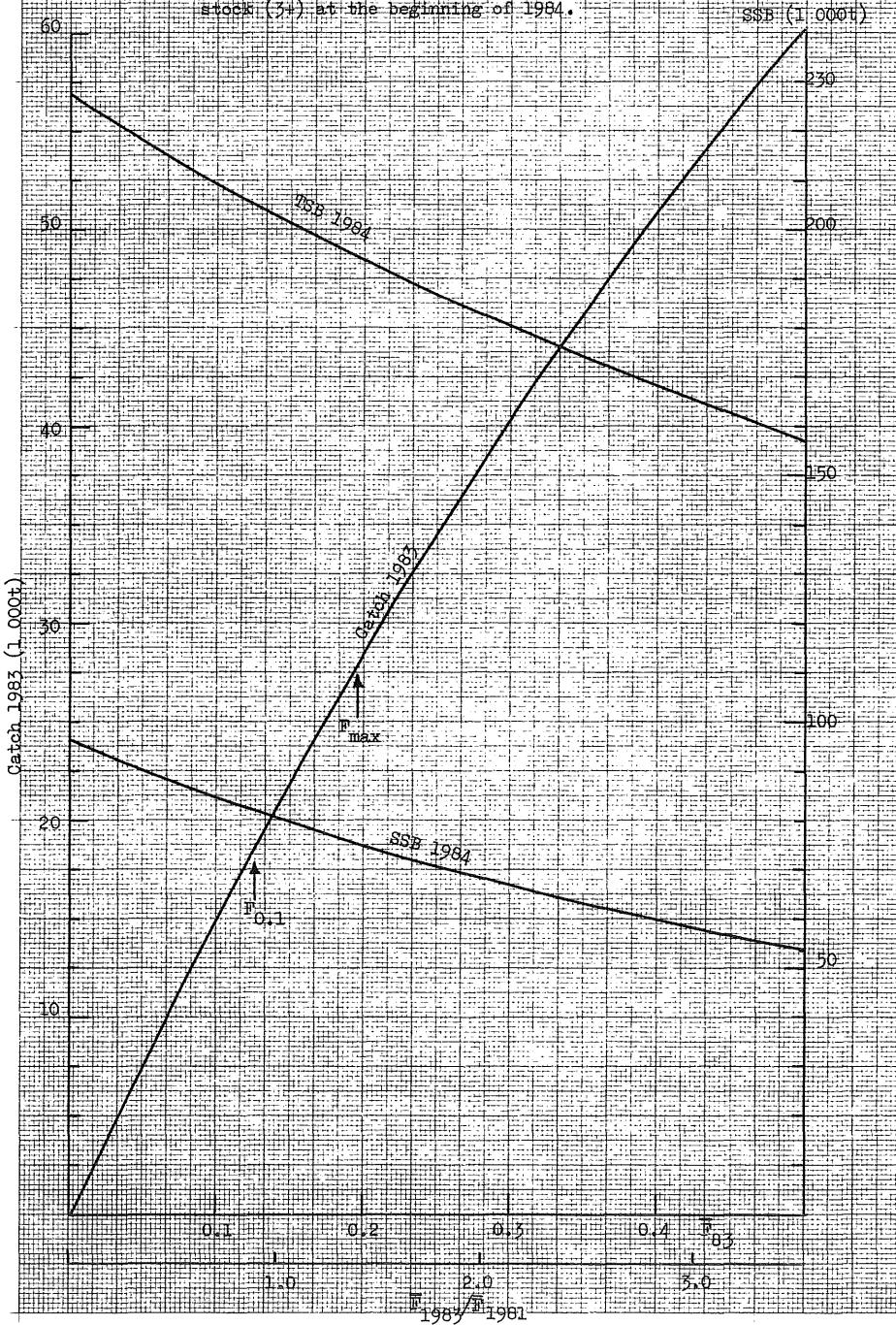


Figure 18. Greenland halibut in Sub-areas V and XIV.

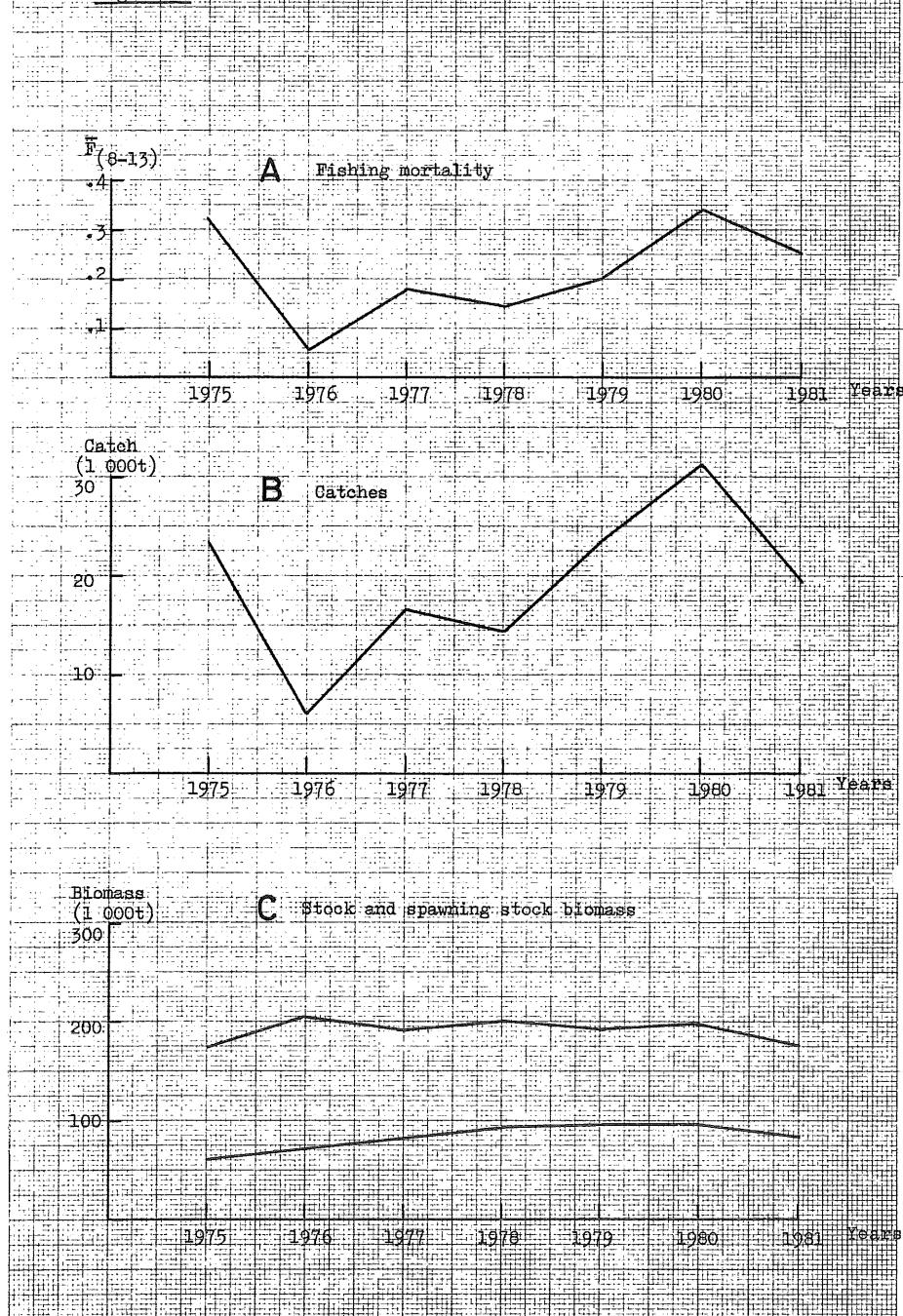


Figure 12. Greenland halibut in Sub-areas V and XIV.  
Yield and spawning stock biomass per recruit.

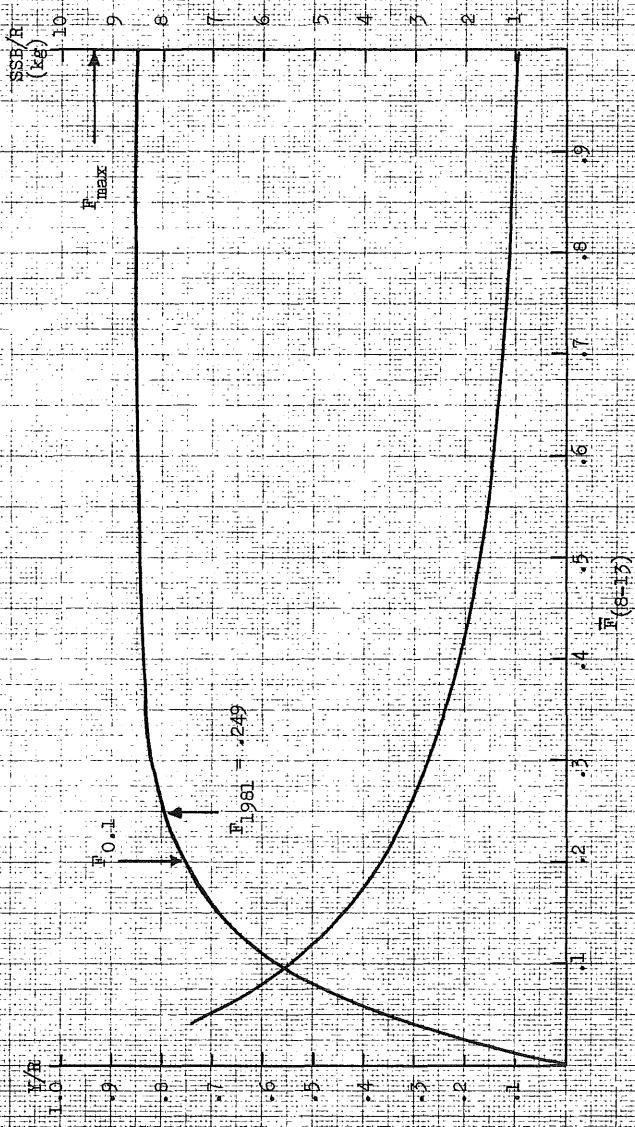


Figure 20. Growth and harvest in sub-trees V and VI  
Project area of Goboch in 1983. Total stock biomass and species study is over at  
the beginning of 1984.



Figure 21. *Sebastes mentella*. Relative length distribution in the total fishery in Division Va (1965-75).

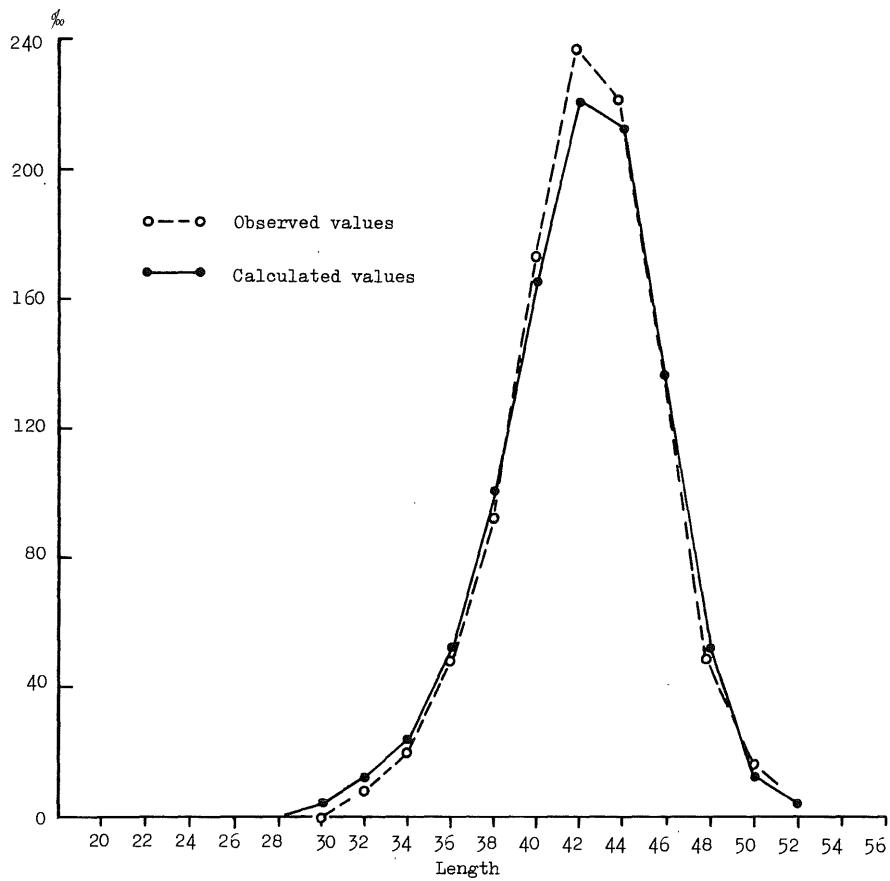


Figure 22. *Sebastes mentella*. Relative length distribution in the total fishery in Division Vb (1965-75).

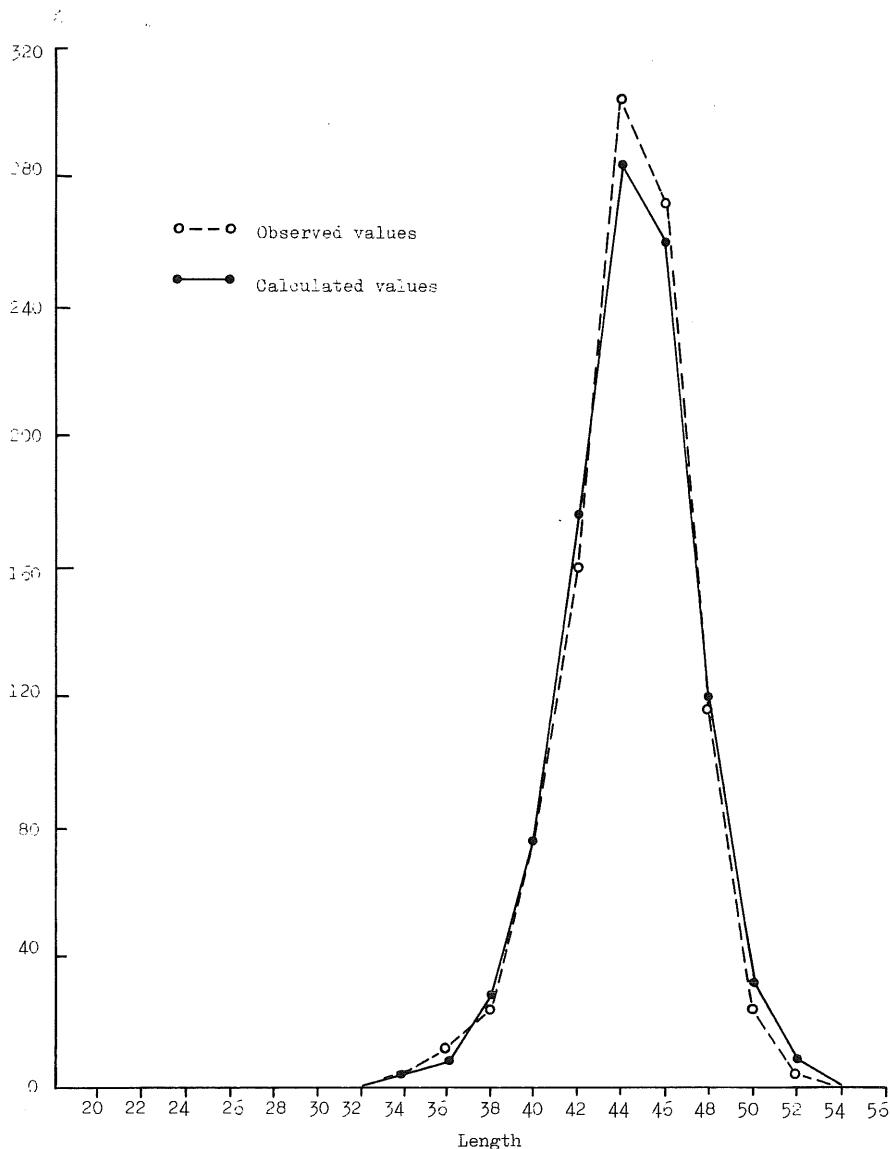


Figure 23. *Sebastodes mentella* in Sub-areas V and XIV.

Total fishing mortalities as estimated by VPA for 1967-75 (C.M.1981/G-7, Table 32), and as estimated from the length distribution (1965-75) by the mesh assessment model.

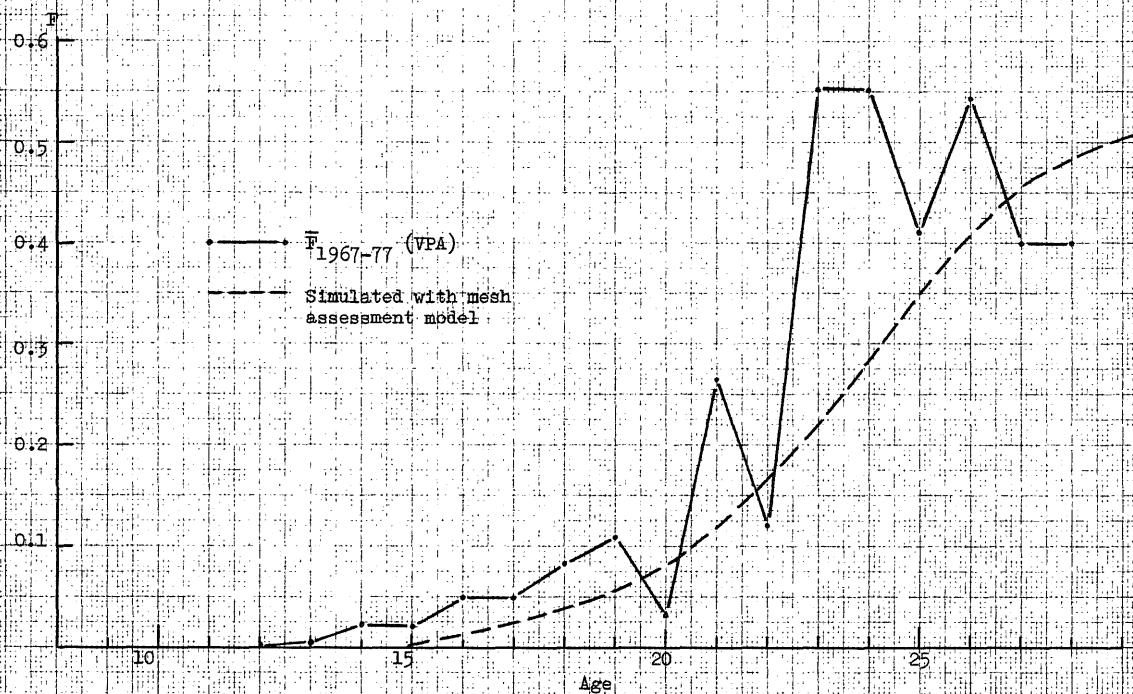


Figure 24. *Sebastes marinus*. Relative length distribution in the total fishery in Sub-area XIV (1955-75).

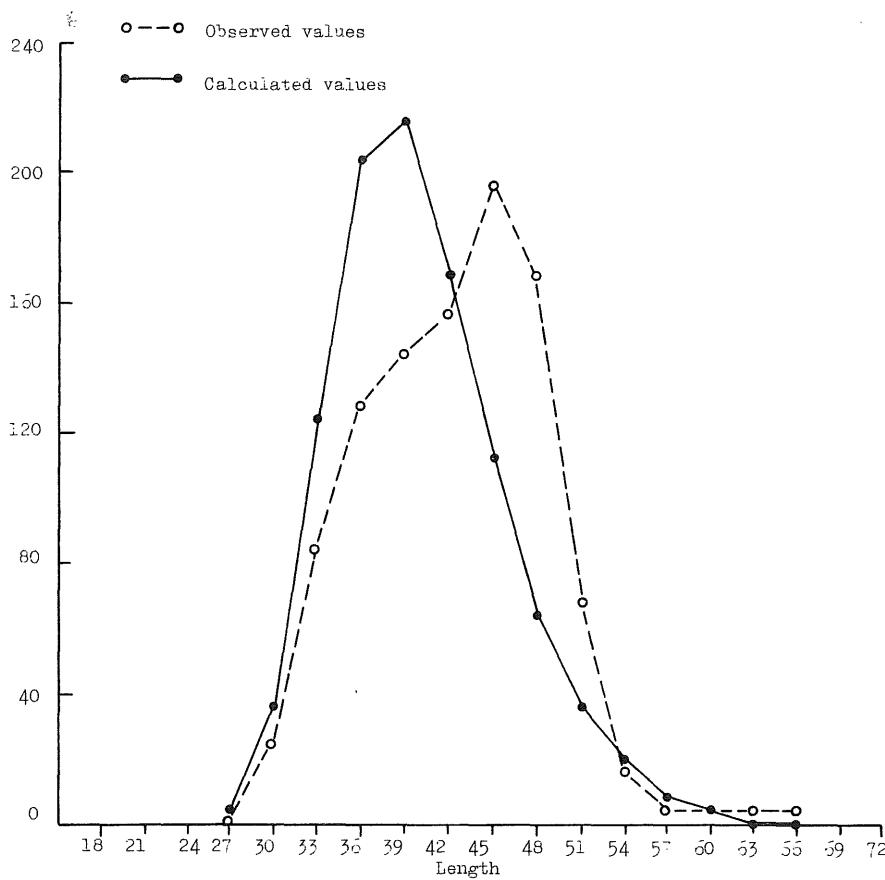


Figure 25. *Sebastes marinus*. Relative length distribution in the Federal Republic of Germany fishery in Division Va (1965-75).

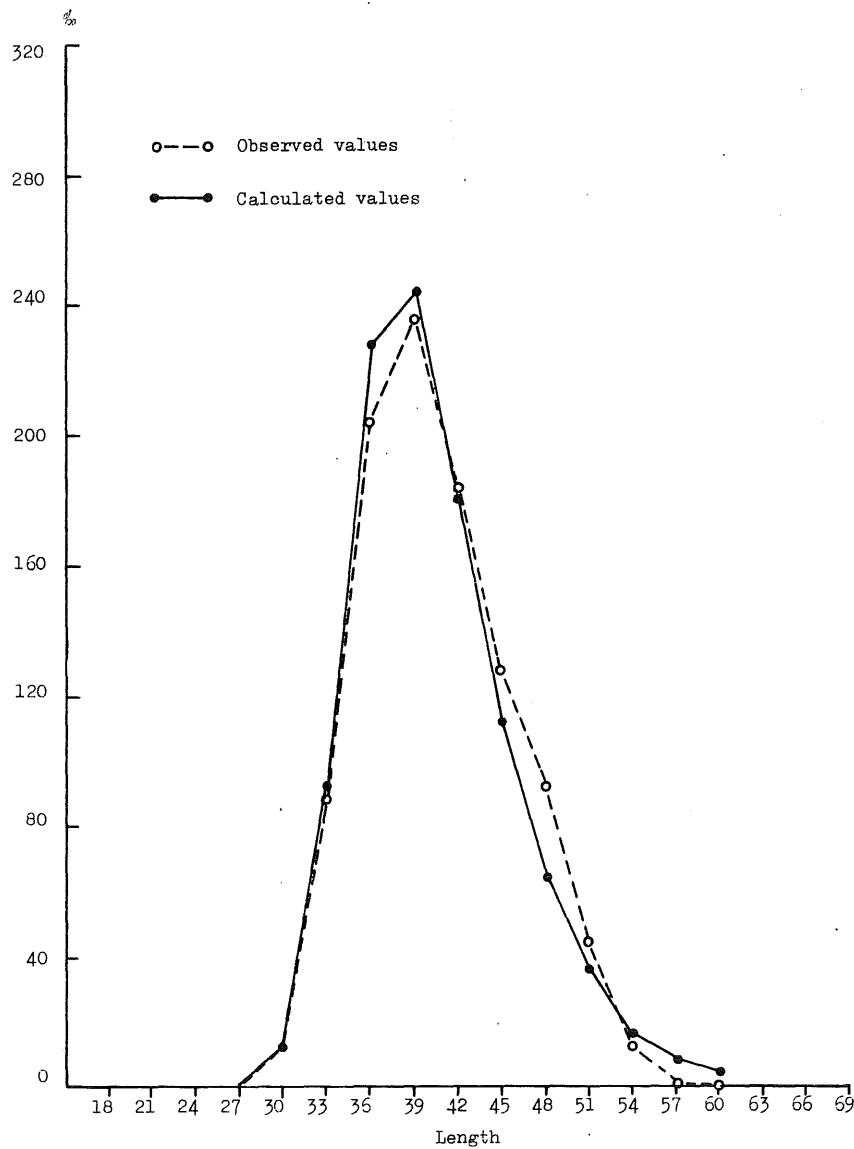


Figure 26. *Sebastes marinus*. Relative length distribution in the fishery in Division Va except for the Federal Republic of Germany fishery (1955-75).

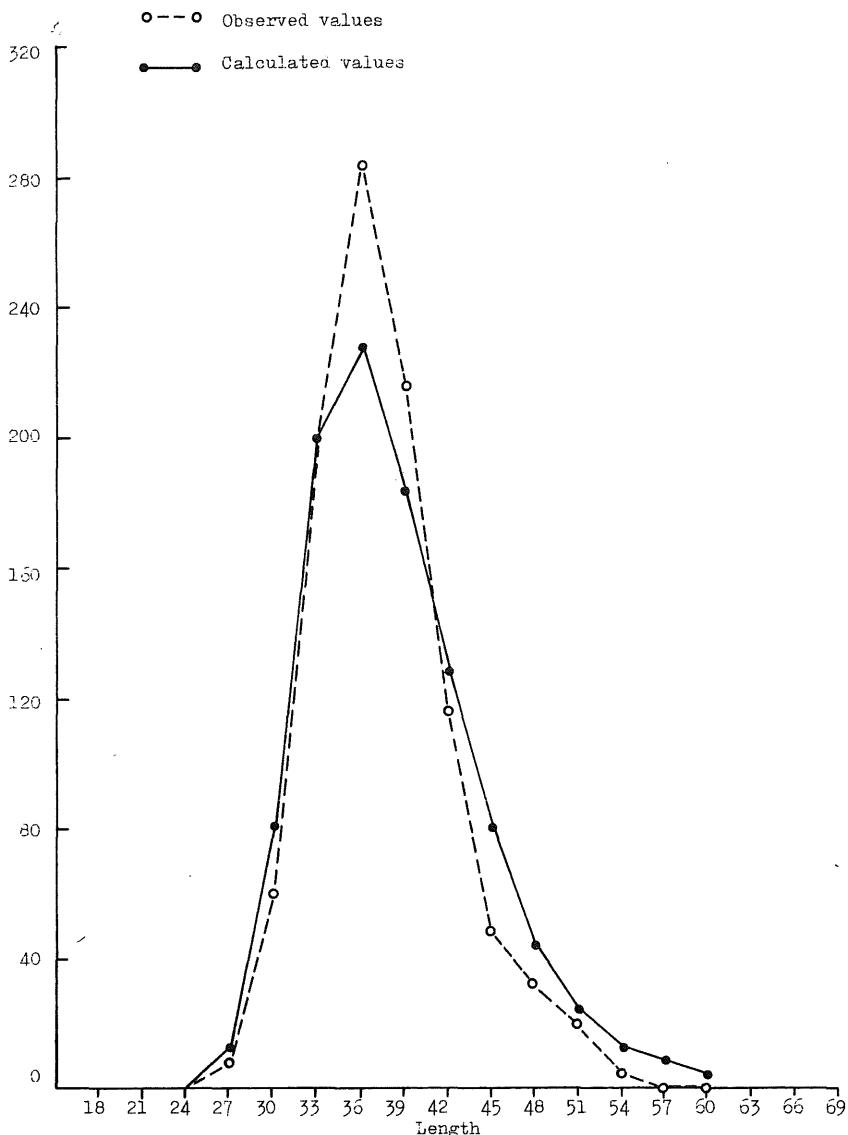


Figure 27. *Sebastes marinus* in Sub-areas V and XIV.

Total fishing mortalities estimated by VPA for 1967-75 (C.M.1981/G:7, Table 27) and as estimated from the length distribution (1965-75) by the mesh assessment model.

