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## 1 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Participation

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### 1.2 Terms of Reference

At the Statutory Meeting in 1989, it was decided (C.Res. 1989/2:4:3) that:

The Division IIIa Demersal Stocks Working Group (Chairman: Ms E. Nielsen) will meet at ICES Headquarters from 28 February 7 March 1990 to:
a) evalute the validity of present stock unit definitions for assessment and management purposes for cod and haddock in Division IIIa, taking into account any relationships with populations in the Baltic Sea and North Sea;
b) describe the fisheries for haddock and whiting, including the extent to which effort is directed on these species;
C) assess the status of and provide catch options for 1991 within safe biological limits for stocks of cod, haddock, whiting, plaice, and sole in Division IIIa;
d) produce a report for ACMP at its 1990 session on the effect of hypoxia in particular, and other forms of pollution, on the relevant fish stocks in Division IIIa based on a review to be produced by Ms E. Nielsen and Dr O. Bagge.

It was recommended by the Demersal Fish Committee at its 1989 meeting that Denmark, Norway, and Sweden should be requested to initiate or continue research programmes to investigate the spawning area, egg and larval drift, and maturity of cod, haddock, and whiting in Division IIIa. This followed a Council Resolution (C.Res.1988/4:2), which requested such research programmes and also, as a first step, a review of all available data.

### 1.3 Research Requirements

The Working Group discussed the recommendation from the Demersal Fish Committee that "Denmark, Norway, and Sweden should be requested to initiate or continue research programmes to investigate the spawning areas and egg and larval dxift of cod, haddock, and whiting in Division IIIa". As mentioned in earlier working group reports, there is an apparent lack of basic biological knowledge of several species in the area. The Working Group's opinion was that the best way of solving the problem would be trat the three countries together should carry out a joint in-
vestigation. There was no time during the meeting to go into planning a research programme, but the Group felt that this was a task of great importance to the Group. The conclusion was, therefore, that if the marine research institutions in the three countries are interested in carrying out a joint investigation in the area, which would begin in 1991 and last for a five-year period, planning for such an inter-Nordic research programme could be undertaken at a short meeting in May this year. The Chairman would, therefore, as soon as possible contact the institutions to ascertain whether they are prepared to participate in such a programme. If so, the Chairman will organize the meeting in May.

## 2 TUNING OF VPA

Initially the Laurec-Shepherd method was used to tune the VPA for both cod and plaice in the Kattegat and the Skagerrak. For cod, however, the diagnostics for age groups 2 and older indicated that the assumptions of the model were not met. As a consequence, the hybrid method was also tried. In fact, this method came out with better diagnostics, but the slopes of the catchability trends of most of the age groups were not found to be significantly different from zero. On this basis, the Laurec-Shepherd method was chosen as its assumption of locally constant catchabilities results in more robust estimates of fishing mortality.

For the cod stocks, a tri-cubic taper was used to estimate mean catchabilities. The fishing mortalities on the oldest ages were estimated as unweighted means of the three younger ages.

For the plaice stocks, the average catchabilities were determined as the unweighted means over the years 1983-1989 in the Kattegat, and 1985-1989 in the Skagerrak.

The fleets for which effort data were used in the tuning procedure are shown in the text table below.

Tuning data used in assessments

|  | Kattegat |  | Skagerrak |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fleet | Cod | Plaice | Cod | Plaice |
| Swedish bottom trawl | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ |
| Swedish Nephrops tr | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ |
| Danish seiners | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ | $\mathbf{x}$ |
| IYFS indices | $\mathbf{x}$ |  | $\mathbf{x}$ |  |

## 3 RECRUITMENT

### 3.1 Cod

For the cod stocks in both the Kattegat and the Skagerrak, the IYFS indices for 1 - and 2-group cod have been used to estimate recruitment. The calibration was performed by means of the RCRTINX2 program with the following options:
a. calibration regression,
b. shrinkage towards the mean,
c. minimum variance of prediction of 0.2 for any estimate,
d. a minmum of 5 data points in regression,
e. tri-cubic weighting.

The recruitment indices for cod, haddock, and whiting are given in Table 3.1.

### 3.2 Plaice

For plaice in the Kattegat, only the young fish index was available from the Danish 1-group plaice survey. A regression forced through the origin was used to estimate recruitment.

No recruit indices were available for plaice in the skagerrak.

## 4 COD IN THE KATTEGAT

### 4.1 The Fishery

Table 4.1 shows the landings for human consumption by country. The landings for 1989 are to be considered as preliminary estimates provided by the Working Group members. The landings for 1989, about 8,500 $t$, are somewhat larger than for 1988 which were $5,500 \mathrm{t}$. Table 4.2 shows the amounts of cod taken in the Danish small-meshed fishery which have been decreasing during the 1980s. These data have been revised since the last meeting. The cod catches from the small-meshed fishery are not included in the catch statistics in Table 4.1.

### 4.2 Stock Identity

According to Poulsen (1931), the cod spawning in the southern Kattegat lasts from February to May, but the main spawning occurs in February-March. He found cod larvae in the whole area in April-May, although they were scarcer in the northeastern Kattegat. The very few investigations carried out in this area in recent years (Bagge, Nielsen, Mellergaard, and Dahlsgaard 1990, in press) show that the larval distribution has changed as no concentration of larvae has been found in the southwestern part, and no larvae have been found in the southern part of Sub-division 22. The exchange of larvae between the Kattegat and Subdivision 22 and vice versa may be at a very low level. Recent recruitment has been poor. Recruitment to the southern Kattegat and Sub-divisions 22 and 23 is now mainly from larvae coming from the northern part.

In the Kattegat, some tagging experiments have been carried out by Denmark and Sweden but the results have not been published. The Danish experiments were carried out in the northern Kattegat (1981) and in the southwestern Kattegat (1978 and 1980). From the
experiment in the northern Kattegat, $4 \%$ of the recaptured cod were taken in the North Sea and $96 \%$ in the Kattegat. From the experiments in the southwestern Kattegat, about $5 \%$ of the recaptured cod were taken in the northern part of Sub-division 22, $1 \%$ in Sub-division 24, and about $95 \%$ in the Kattegat, demonstrating a very small migration of adult cod from the Kattegat either northwards or southwards.

Many tagging experiments have been carried out in Sub-divisions 22, 23, and 24. Berner (1981) reviewed tagging experiments made by the German Democratic Republic in Sub-divisions 22 and 24 over the period 1959-1975. Bagge (1987) reviewed all tagging experiments in Sub-divisions 22, 23, and 24 over the pericd 1958-1981 and found that the input of adult cod from Sub-divisions 22 and 24 to the Kattegat was at a low level ( $0-10 \%$ of recaptured cod). On average, $2 \%$ of the recaptures were immigrants from Sub-division 22 and $1 \%$ from Sub-division 24, while emigrations from the northern part of Sub-division 23 were quite significant (7-65\%; average $39 \%$ ). The cod stock in Sub-division 23 has been decreasing since 1987.

Sjöstrand (pers. comm.) correlated age group 1 in the Kattegat with age group 1 in Sub-divisions 22 and 24 as estimated from VPA, and he further correlated the indices of that age group from the IYFS surveys in the Kattegat, with the corresponding index from the young fish survey, conducted by the Federal Republic of Germany in Sub-divisions 22 and 24A (Figure 4.1). A significant correlation was found in both runs $\left(\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.729, \mathrm{df}=12\right.$ and $\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.834, \mathrm{df}=6$, respectively), which may indicate a strong mixing of the stocks. The results of the tagging experiments show, however, that the active migrations of adult cod are at a low level, so that either similar environ-mental conditions during the egg and larval stage or passive migrations of eggs, larvae, and young bottom stages are responsible for the correlation.

According to an analysis of growth patterns (Bagge and Steffensen, 1980; Steffensen and Bagge, 1983), the cod population in the Kattegat might belong to two different stocks, one in the northern part and one in the southern part. Moth-Poulsen (1982) concluded that the cod from the Kattegat and northern Sound genetically belonged to one stock. On the information available, the Working Group concluded that it seems likely that the cod in the Skagerrak and the Kattegat belong to two different stocks.

In view of these considerations, the working Group again this year decided to assess the Kattegat and Skagerrak cod separately.

### 4.3 Catch at Age

The Danish age distributions were used for all catches (Table 4.3) as no other age data were available to the Working Group. Age distributions were not presented for the Danish by-catches, and these were, therefore, not included in the assessment.

### 4.4 Weight at Age

The Danish data on mean weight-at-age were used for all catches. The mean weights in the stock were considered to be the same as
in the catches and are presented in Table 4.4.

### 4.5 Commercial Catch/Effort Data and Survey Indices

The commercial fleet and survey data series, used in tuning the VPA, are shown in the text table in Section 2. The corresponding catch and effort data are given in Table 4.5.

The age distributions for the three commercial fleets were assumed to be the same as the age distribution in the total Danish catches.

### 4.6 Natural Mortality Rates

The natural mortality rate was set at 0.2 for all age groups and years.

### 4.7 VPA Tuning

The Laurec-Shepherd method was used to tune the VPA (see Section 2). The output is given in Table 4.6.

As in last year's assessment, the terminal Fs are very high, at a level of about 1.2 to 1.6 for ages 3 and older. This may be an indication of an overestimation of the landings. As the Working Group had no further information which could supplement the landings data, the terminal fs estimated by the Laurec-Shepherd method were adopted.

### 4.8 Results from the VRA

The results are shown in Tables 4.7 and 4.8 . The stock size in 1989 is on the same level as the historic minimum from 1988.

### 4.9 Recruitment

The methods for estimating recruitment are described in section 3. Results of runs with RCRTINX2 are shown in Table 4.9, and it can be seen that the correlation between the VPA and the indices for the 1 - and 2 -group was rather poor.

### 4.9.1 Year class 1988 in 1990

For the 1988 year class in 1990, the method showed that both indices were rejected and only the mean value from VPA was used. The value, 6.3 million estimated from the tuning was, therefore, adopted.

### 4.9.2 Year class 1989 in 1990

The IYFS value for the 1 -group of 131 , the second highest on record, indicates a rather strong year class (Table 3.1). The RCRTINX2 method gave the same weight to the VPA mean and the IYES 1 -group index and estimated a value of 14.6 million. This is
only slightly above the average of 1980 to 1989 of 13.2 million, while the index is about double the average index value of 68 . The Working Group decided to adopt the conservative value of 14.6 million and thereby accept the risk of underestimating the yearclass strength.

### 4.9.3 Year class 1990 and onwards

These were set to 13.2 million at age 1 , the mean value for the period 1980-1989.
4. 10 Trends in Yield, Fishing Mortality, Biomass, and Recruitment

Trends in yield and mean fishing mortality are plotted in Figure 4.2A, which shows that the yield has declined, while fishing mortality has increased from 1974 to 1989.

Trends in spawning stock biomass and recruitment are plotted in Figure 4.2B. The figure shows that both spawning stock biomass and recruitment have declined from 1973 to 1989.

### 4.11 Catch Predictions

Input data are shown in Table 4.10, and the results from the prediction in Table 4.11 and Figure 4.2.D.

### 4.11.1 Fishing pattern

Fishing pattern was estimated as the average fishing mortality at age from the VRA for the years 1985-1989.

### 4.11.2 Mean weight at age

Mean weight at age was estimated from Table 4.4 as the average of 1985 to 1989.

### 4.11.3 Status quo prediction

The landings in 1990 are predicted to about $6,500 t$, which is below the TAC of $8,500 \mathrm{t}$. As the TACs have not been taken since 1983, only the status quo prediction has been considered.

The status quo prediction resulted in landings of about 7,400 t in 1991, which is a little below landings in 1989 and estimated landings in 1990, but is still close to the lowest on record.

## 5 COD IN THE SKAGERRAK

### 5.1 The Fishery

Table 5.1 shows the landings by country provided by the Working Group members and revised compared to the 1989 Working Group report. They show a slight increase to about 18,600 t in 1989. The cod catches from the Danish small-meshed fishery (Table 5.2)
are not included in the catch statistics in Table 5.1. Cod taken as by-catch in small-mesh trawl have been decreasing since 1982.

The cod landings along the Norwegian fjords are shown in Table 5.1. As these cod are considered to belong to a separate stock, the figures are not included in the assessment.

### 5.2 Stock Identity

On the Norwegian Skagerrak coast, the spawning occurs from February to May with the main spawning in March-April (Dannevig, 1966; Dahl, 1906; Dahl et al., 1983). Although there is very little information, it is supposed that the cod is spawning in most of the fjords and in the skerries. The o-group cod appear to stay in the fjords, and Tveite (1971) has shown that there is a good correlation ( $r=0.7-0.8$ ) between the index from the 0 group survey along the coast and the year class as 1- to 4-year olds in catches taken in the coastal areas of the Skagerrak. Tagging experiments on the Norwegian Skagerrak coast show that the cod population in the area undertakes only short migrations along the coast (Dahl, 1906; Ruud, 1939; Lфversen, 1946; Danielssen and Gjösæter, 1986; Danielssen, unpubl.). Most of the fish ( $80-90 \%$ ) were recaptured within a distance $4-5 \mathrm{~nm}$ from the release point. This holds good for fish tagged as O-group and 1to 2-group.

Very little is known about the spawning on the Danish side of the Skagerrak. From scanty material on the stage of maturity, Poulsen (1931) indicates that the main spawning is finished by the beginning of April. In Anon. (1970) it was concluded that there is no evidence of spawning off the Danish Skagerrak coast even though cod larvae have been found to be abundant in this area (Poulsen, 1931). No larvae were, however, found during a survey in late April 1988 in the Skagerrak (Danielssen, pers. com.). The IYFS shows that the 1 -group is found in the area.

Cod tagging experiments on the Danish skagerrak coast produced no recaptures on the Norwegian Skagerrak coast (Danielssen, 1969). Most of the cod $(80 \%)$ were recaptured on the Danish side of the Norwegian trench in the skagerrak. Only $5 \%$ of the recaptures (mainly immature fish) came from the Kattegat (north of Læs $\phi$ ), and $14 \%$ (mainly mature fish) from the eastern part of the North Sea. Small cod showed no pronounced seasonal movement. Larger cod showed little seasonal movement in the summer and autumn but showed a southward movement towards the North sea in the winter (Anon., 1971). Danish tagging experiments west of Thorsminde in the North Sea (Bagge, 1973) also indicated a certain connection between the eastern North Sea and the Skagerrak, and even the Kattegat area near Skagen.

Genetic investigations by Moth-Poulsen (1982) showed, however, that the cod stock in the open Skagerrak was genetically distinct from the Kattegat and the northern part of Sub-division 23.

The tagging results clearly indicate that the cod on the Norwegian Skagerrak coast is a separate stock which is independent of the cod on the Danish side of the skagerrak.

There appears to be a certain connection between the cod in the eastern North Sea and the Skagerrak up to the area north of Læs申
in the Kattegat, but the Working Group felt that more information would be required before conclusions can be drawn about the degree of mixing of the cod in these areas.

### 5.3 Catch at Age

The Danish age distributions were applied to all catches used in the assessment (Table 5.3) as no other age data were available. Age distributions were not presented for the Danish by-catches in the industrial fishery, and these were, therefore, not included in the assessment.

### 5.4 Weight at Age

The Danish data for mean weight-at-age were used for all catches. The mean weights in the stock were considered to be the same as in the catches and are presented in Table 5.4.

### 5.5 Commercial Catch/Effort Data and Survey Indices

The commercial fleets and survey used in the tuning of the VPA are shown in the text table in Section 2. The corresponding catch and effort data are given in Table 5.5. The age distributions for the three commercial fleets were assumed to be the same as the age distribution in the total Danish catches.

### 5.6 Natural Mortality Rate

The natural mortality rate was set to 0.2 for all age groups and years.

### 5.7 VPA Tuning

The Laurec-Shepherd method was used to tune the VPA (see Section 2). The tuning data are shown in Table 5.5. Summary statistics are given in Table 5.6.

### 5.8 Results from the VPA

The results are shown in Tables 5.7 and 5.8.

### 5.9 Recruitment

The methods for estimating recruitment are described in Section 3. Results of runs with RCRTINX2 are shown in Table 5.9 for the year classes 1987 and onwards.

### 5.9.1 Year class 1987 in 1988

This was set to 22.3 million as estimated by the RCRTINX2, corresponding to a stock size at age 2 in 1989 of 17.3 million.
5.9.2 Year class 1988 in 1989

This was set to 15.1 million as estimated by the RCRTINX2.

### 5.9.3 Year class 1989 in 1990

This was set to 16.7 million as estimated by the RCRTINX2.

### 5.9.4 Year class 1990 in 1991 and onwards

These were set to 19.4 million at age 1 , the mean value for the period 1979-1989.

### 5.10 Trends in Yield, Fishing Mortality, Biomass, and Recruitment

Trends in yield and mean fishing mortality are plotted in figure 5.1A; both yield and fishing mortality have remained fairly constant since 1980.

Trends in spawning stock biomass and recruitment are plotted in Figure 5.1B; SSB has declined slightly since 1982, whereas there is no trend in recruitment.

### 5.11 Catch Predictions

The input data are shown in Table 5.10 , and the results from the prediction runs in Table 5.11.

### 5.11.1 Fishing pattern

Fishing pattern was estimated as the average fishing mortality at age from VPA for the years 1985-1989.

### 5.11.2 Mean weight at age

Mean weight at age was estimated from Table 5.4 as the average of 1985 to 1989.

### 5.11.3 status quo prediction

Only the status quo prediction for 1990 was run because estimated landings in 1990 of about $23,000 t$ were almost equal to the agreed TAC of $21,500 \mathrm{t}$.

The status quo prediction resulted in landings of about $19,400 t$ in 1991, which is similar to those of 1989.

## 6 HADDOCK

### 6.1 The Fishery

The landings of haddock by country in Division IIIa for the period 1975-1989 submitted by Working Group members are given in Table 6.1. A small reduction in 1989 compared to 1988 is observed.

In Table 6.2, the landings for 1983-1989 are split into landings for consumption and industrial purposes. From 1987, it is further possible to split the landings according to area.

### 6.1.1 Haddock in the Kattegat

The Danish and Swedish landings in the Kattegat during 1987-1989 are given in Table 6.3, split into landings for consumption and industrial purposes. The landings are small and decreasing.
$50 \%$ of the Danish landings for consumption are taken by trawlers (20-59 brt) in the fourth quarter in a directed fishery (more than $40 \%$ haddock in the landings) and $50 \%$ as by-catch in other non-industrial trawl fisheries.

The Danish landings per day in 1988 and 1989 (all quarters) were $0.144 t$ and $0.198 t$, respectively.

### 6.1.2 Haddock in the skagerrak

The Danish landings during 1987-1989 split into landings for consumption and industrial purposes are given in Table 6.4, together with the Norwegian and Swedish landings, which are exclusively for consumption.

The landings for consumption have increased while the industrial landings have decreased. The total landings have decreased slightly by $300 t$.

In 1988 and $1989,50 \%$ and $74 \%$, respectively, of the Danish landings for consumption derived from a directed trawl fishery (more than $40 \%$ of haddock in the landings), the rest was taken as by-catch in other non-industrial trawl fisheries and by seiners.

The trawlers are mainly in the size category $20-59$ brt. The Danish landings per day in 1988 and 1989 were 0.317 t and $0.389 t$, respectively.

## 6 . 2 Stock Identity

Due to a total absence of data, the Working Group was not able to consider this question for haddock.

### 6.3 Catch at Age

Catch-at-age data are available for the period 1981-1986 based on the age distribution of the Danish landings, including age distributions of industrial landings. In 1987, 1988, and 1989 no
age distributions of the industrial landings were available, which means that the age distributions in these years are based exclusively on Danish landings for human consumption (Table 6.5). Accordingly, the age composition of the total landings of haddock in Division IIIa for 1987-1989 could not be estimated.

### 6.4 Weight at Age

Weight-at-age data for 1989 were available from the Danish human consumption fishery. These data, together with data for the period 1981-1988, are given in Table 6.6

### 6.5 Recruitment

The recruitment index for the 1989 IYFS survey is shown in Table 3.1. The index of 8 in 1989 is well below the average.

### 6.6 Prediction

No reliable predictions of catches in 1990 and 1991 can be given. According to the recruitment in 1986 and 1987, the catch in 1988 was expected to be above the 1987 catch ( $5,300 \mathrm{t}$ ). In fact, the total catch in 1988 was only $4,380 t$, and it decreased further in 1989 to 4,216 t.

## 7 WHITING IN DIVISION IIIA

### 7.1 The Fishery

The landings of whiting in Division IIIa are given in Table 7.1. The Danish data have been revised from 1980 with data provided by Working Group members. The landings have been fairly stable since 1984.

In Table 7.2, the Danish landings for the period 1981-1989 are split into landings for consumption and landings for industrial purposes, and are divided by area. The landings for consumption constitute $4-7 \%$ of the total landings and are taken as a by-catch in non-industrial trawl fisheries and by Danish seine.

The Norwegian landings in the skagerrak are taken mainly as bycatch in the trawl fishery. The Swedish landings in Division IIIa are taken mainly in industrial fisheries and as a by-catch in other trawl fisheries.

## 8 PLAICE IN THE KATTEGAT

### 8.1 The Fishery

The landings from the Kattegat provided by the Working Group are shown in Table 8.1. The landings decreased from 2,031 $t$ in 1988 to $1,701 \mathrm{t}$ in 1989, the lowest on record. The decrease was mainly in the first half of the year, and there was an increase in the fourth quarter. The Danish landings per quarter are shown in Table 8.2.

### 8.2 Stock Identity

In the Working Group report of 1988 (Anon., 1989), a possible dominance of the skagerrak stock in the Kattegat was discussed based on results from studies on growth and meristic characters. Analysis of genetic characteristics by electrophoresis (Simonsen et al., 1988) seems to confirm the dominance of the Skagerrak components in the central Kattegat.

As no recruitment indices are available for the skagerrak and the total landings for the skagerrak are unknown, the assessments for the Skagerrak and the Kattegat are made separately.

### 8.3 Catch at Age

Catch-at-age data were available for the Danish landings and were raised to the total landings. The catch in numbers for 1968-1989 is given in Table 8.3.

### 8.4 Weight at Age

Weight-at-age data were available from the Danish landings for the years 1968-1989 (Table 8.4).

### 8.5 Catch per Unit Effort

CPUE data were available for 1983-1989 from the Danish logbook system and from Sweden for 1980-1989 (Tables 8.5 and 8.6). The Danish CPUEs are given as average catch in kg per fishing day per year. The Swedish CPUEs are given as average catch per hour for Nephrops and demersal trawlers on a yearly basis. The Swedish data in 1988 have been revised (Table 8.5). In the Swedish Nephrops fishery, a slight decrease in effort was observed from 1987 to 1989. In the cod fleet, the effort in 1988 and 1989 was at about the same level.

Landings from Danish seiners as \% of the total landings are as follows:

| Year | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 60 | 64 | 53 | 56 | 40 | 38 | 37 |  |

Since 1987, the landings from Danish seiners have decreased and a directed seine fishery for plaice has terminated. Danish trawlers are not directed on plaice due to the very low level of the stocks since 1982 (because of environmental conditions), but the effort on Nephrops has increased and the by-catch of plaice from that fishery is important.

### 8.6 Natural Mortality Rate

The natural mortality rate was set to 0.1 for all age groups and years.

### 8.7 VPA Tuning

The fleets used for the VPA tuning are given in Section 2, and the data are shown in Table 8.7. The Laurec-Shepherd method was used because no apparent trend in the $q$ was seen (Figure 8.1). The results are given in Table 8.8.

### 8.8 Results from the VPA

The results are shown in Tables 8.9 and 8.10 and Figures $8.2 A$ and 8.2B. The $F$ values and average $F$ show an increasing trend from 1985 to 1988 even when a stable ${ }^{3-9}$ level should be expected (Table 8.9).

The exploitation pattern also seems to have changed. The 1987 year class is very well represented in the catches in 1989, even though the recruitment index suggests it is a poor one. This may be due to a rise in by-catches from an increased non-directed trawl fishery. Also, the mean weight of age group 2 is unusually high which may indicate an earlier reruitment in the fishery.

### 8.9 Recruitment

The 1 -group estimated from the VPA and the Danish young fish survey are shown in Table 8.11.

### 8.9.1 1987 and 1988 year classes in 1988 and 1989

The relation between the survey indices and the VPA is plotted in Figure 8.2. The figure indicates that the correlation is rather poor, especially for small indices. However, forcing a regression line through the origin resulted in estimates of 2 and 4 million 1 -groups in 1988 and 1989, respectively, compared to 14 and 5 million produced by the Laurec-Shepherd method. As the index for the 1987 year class in 1988 is the lowest on record, the values estimated from the regression line was adopted by the working Group.

### 8.9.2 1989 year class in 1990 and onwards

The average recruitment at age from the VPA for the period 19801987 is 11.4 million.

## 8. 10 Trends in Yield, Fishing Mortality, Biomass, and Recruitment

Trends in yield and fishing mortality are plotted in Figure 8.3A, and it can be seen that the yield has continued declining, whereas the fishing mortality has increased from 1985 to 1988. The spawning stock biomass and recruitment are plotted in Figure 8.3B. Spawning stock biomass is currently the lowest on record, and recruitment has been extremely low in recent years.

## 8. 11 Prediction

A prediction was made, using an average exploitation fishing mortality at age (1985-1989). The fishing mortality used in the prediction was scaled according to the level of fishing mortality in 1989 from the VPA. Mean weights for the years 1987-1989 were used. The input table is given in Table 8.12. The catch options are shown in Table 8.13. The spawning stock consists of fish of age 3 and older.

## 8. 12 Status quo Prediction

The landings in 1990 were estimated to be about $1,300 t$, which is below the TAC of $2,000 \mathrm{t}$. The spawning stock biomass is still at a very low level due to low recruitment in the 1980s. The spawning stock biomass in 1988 and 1989 is the lowest on record and less than a third of the levels in the 1970 s.

The spawning stock biomass will remain at a low level, i.e., $2,900 \mathrm{t}$ in 1991 and $4,300 \mathrm{t}$ in 1992 with fishing mortality at the 1989 level. The corresponding catch in 1991 is predicted to be $1,400 \mathrm{t}$.

## 9 RLAICE IN THE SKAGERRAK

### 9.1 Landings from the Skagerrak

The landings from the Skagerrak are shown in Table 9.1. The landings have decreased since 1986 from $15,421 t$ to $5,958 t$ in 1989. No official catch statistics for Division IIIa in 1989 were reported by the Netherlands. The decrease was seen for all quarters in the Danish landings. The quarterly breakdown of the Danish landings from the skagerrak is shown in Table 9.2.

### 9.2 Stock Identity

See Section 8.2.

### 9.3 Catch at Age

Catch-at-age data were available from the skagerrak for 1978-1988 for the Danish landings and were applied to the total landings. The total catch in numbers is given in Table 9.3.

### 9.4 Weight at Age

Weight-at-age data were available from the Danish landings for the period 1978-1989 (Table 9.4).

### 9.5 Commercial Catch-per-Unit-Effort Data

The commercial fleets used to tune the VPA are shown in the text table in Section 2. The corresponding catch and effort data are given in Table 9.5.

The age distributions in the commercial fleets were assumed to be the same as the age distribution in the total Danish catch.

### 9.6 Natural Mortality

The natural mortality rate used was 0.1 for all ages and years.

### 9.7 VPA Tuning

The Laurec-Shepherd method was used, and the results are shown in Table 9.6. Catchability was assumed to be constant from 1985 onwards (Figure 9.1). The Laurec-Shepherd method was chosen for the final VPA.

### 9.8 Results from the VPA

The results from the VPA are given in Tables 9.7 and 9.8. A great fluctuation in average $F_{\text {(3-9) }}$ is evident, and in 1989 it seems to have been extremely (30w) The spawning stock biomass has been fairrly stable in the last three years.

### 9.9 Prediction

As information on recruitment was not available, and as the data on total landings were uncertain, no prediction was made.

## 10 SOLE IN DIVISION IIIa

### 10.1 The Fishery

Landings in Division IIIa in 1989 were only reported by Denmark and Sweden. Landings in 1952-1989 are shown in Table 10.1. The landings in 1989 are the highest on record. Danish vessels accounted for $98 \%$ of the landings.

In 1989 in the Kattegat, $69 \%$ of the Danish landings were taken by trawlers, mainly in the fourth quarter ( $54 \%$ ), and $22 \%$ were taken in set nets, mainly in the third and fourth quarters (78\%). In the Skagerrak, the trawl fishery accounts for $80 \%$ of the landings and $8 \%$ are taken in set nets, mainly in the second and third quarters. The Danish landings from trawlers in the third and fourth quarters are mainly by-catch in the Nephrops fishery. In the first and second quarter it is a directed fishery.

### 10.2 Catch at Age

Catch-at-age data for 1984-1989 were supplied by Denmark which in 1989 took about $98 \%$ of the landings (Table 10.2). The time series is too short to run a VPA.

### 10.3 Weight at Age

Weight-at-age data were available for the Danish landings 19841989 in Division IIIa (Table 10.3).

### 10.4 Effort and Catch per Unit Effort

During the summer and autumn in recent years, considerable effort from the Baltic and the North Sea has been transferred to the Nephrops fishery in the Kattegat and the Skagerrak. This, together with a shift to the double trawl system, an increase in the size of vessels, and increasing motor power, is likely to have increased the effort since 1984 on sole by a factor of 2-3 (on Nephrops by a factor of 4 due to increased availability of this species caused by low oxygen content in the bottom water).

Comparable data on effort (number of fishing days) are available for 1988 and 1989 for trawl and set nets (Table 10.4). The catch per day in trawls decreased from $69,1 \mathrm{~kg}$ in 1988 to $46,8 \mathrm{~kg}$ in 1989, while the catch per day in set nets increased from $100,7 \mathrm{~kg}$ to $132,8 \mathrm{~kg}$ in the same period. These contradictory results may be due to low oxygen conditions in deeper water forcing the sole to crowd in shallow water.

The total trawl effort increased by $61 \%$ and set net effort by $20 \%$.

### 10.5 Recruitment

Data from the Danish survey on young flatfish for 1984-1989 were submitted to the Working Group (Table 10.5).

The strong 1984 year class is still significant and in 1989 contributed $19.3 \%$ of the catch by weight (Table 10.6). The 1987 year class in 1989 (age group 2) represented the same proportion (by weight) as the strong 1983 year class in 1985 ( $18.4 \%$ and $15.9 \%$, respectively). This indicates that the 1987 year class is strong, and this is in agreement with the survey index. The 1986 year class is small, the 1985 year class medium.

### 10.6 Catch Prediction

Based on the recruitment indices shown in Table 10.5 and the landings, a SHOT forecast was performed (Table 10.7). The forecast is based on the following assumptions:

The recruitment indices for year class $y$ are related to the landings in year $y+3$, the same as in last year's report. The indices were not smoothed this year, so that all weight is given to the 3 -group.

The yield/biomass ratio was set to 0.4 for the years 1980 to 1984 as described in last year's report. As the effort apparently has increased in 1984 and 1988 (Section 10.4), the ratio was set to 0.5 from 1989 onwards.

For the years where no survey indices were available, an aritmetric average of 726 for the years $1980-1989$ was used as the index value. In last year's report, an average of 380 for the years 1967-1988 was used. The reason for changing this value is that the level of recruitment seems to have been higher during this period.

The estimated status guo landings for 1991 were 751 t，which is close to the average landings of 741 for the years 1986－ 1989 when landings were relatively stable．

## 11 REPORT FOR ACMP

A report on the effects of hypoxia on the relevant fish stocks in the Kattegat by E．Nielsen and O．Bagge is presented to ACMP．The Skagerrak is not dealt with，as data available show no such ef－ fects in that area．

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Table 3.1 Indices of 0 -group cod from the Norwegian skagerrak coast and 1-group cod, whiting, and haddock in Division IIIa from the International Young Fish Survey.

| Year <br> class | Cod <br> O-group | Whiting <br> 1-group $(<20 \mathrm{~cm})$ | Haddock <br> 1-group $(<20 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1974 | - | 499 | - |
| 1975 | 6.1 | 236 | - |
| 1976 | 11.4 | 99 | - |
| 1977 | 3.4 | 392 | - |
| 1978 | 6.0 | 561 | - |
| 1979 | 21.4 | 722 | 40.4 |
| 1980 | 7.1 | 968 | 4.3 |
| 1981 | 5.0 | 690 | 47.7 |
| 1982 | 12.4 | 262 | 33.8 |
| 1983 | 4.9 | 900 | 71.7 |
| 1984 | 20.3 | 1,379 | 160.8 |
| 1985 | 4.5 | 2,178 | 57.0 |
| 1986 | 0.2 | 2.978 | 250.6 |
| 1987 | 15.9 | 478 | 125.2 |
| 1988 | 2,255 | 20.2 |  |
| 1989 |  |  | 8.0 |



[^0]Table 4.1 Cod landings from the Kattegat as estimated by the Working Group, 1971-1989 ( $t$ ).

| Year | Denmark | Sweden | Fed.Rep. of Germany ${ }^{1}$ | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1971 | 11,748 | 3,962 | 22 | 15,732 |
| 1972 | 13,451 | 3,957 | 34 | 17,442 |
| 1973 | 14,913 | 3,850 | 74 | 18,837 |
| 1974 | 17,043 | 4,717 | 120 | 21,880 |
| 1975 | 11,749 | 3,642 | 94 | 15,485 |
| 1976 | 12,986 | 3,242 | 47 | 16,275 |
| 1977 | 16,668 | 3,400 | 51 | 20,119 |
| 1978 | 10,293 | 2,893 | 204 | 13,390 |
| 1979 | 11,045 | 3,763 | 22 | 14,830 |
| 1980 | 9,265 | 4,206 | 38 | 13,509 |
| 1981 | 10,673 | 4,380 | 284 | 15,337 |
| 1982 | 9,320 | 3,087 | 58 | 12,465 |
| 1983 | 9,149 | 3,625 | 54 | 12,828 |
| 1984 | 7,590 | 4,091 | 205 | 11,886 |
| 1985 | 9,052 | 3,640 | 14 | 12,706 |
| 1986 | 6,930 | 2,054 | 112 | 9,096 |
| 1987 | 9,396 | 2,006 | 89 | 11,491 |
| 1988 | 4,054 | 1,359 | 114 | 5,527 |
| 1989 | 6,979 | 1,431 | 51 | 8,461 |

${ }^{1}$ Landing statistics incompletely split on the Kattegat and the skagerrak. The figures are estimated by the Working Group.
${ }^{2}$ Preliminary.

Table 4.2 By-catch of cod in the Kattegat by the Danish industrial fishery (tonnes) as estimated by the Working Group.

| Year | By-catch |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1979 | - |
| 1980 | - |
| 1981 | 3,236 |
| 1982 | 5,214 |
| 1983 | 2,179 |
| 1984 | 712 |
| 1985 | 448 |
| 1986 | 610 |
| 1987 | 445 |
| 1988 | 284 |
| 1989 | 398 |


| VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CDi If THE KATTEGAT (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CATCH IN NUMBERS UNIT: thous |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1.978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 |
| 1. | 15049 | 38 | 5 | 591 | 188 | 165 | 1 | 88 | 21.3 | 552 | 328 | 340 |
| 2 | 7937 | 3811 | 623 | 4250 | 3610 | 4431 | 2218 | 6015 | 3161 | 1317 | 3918 | 3196 |
| 3 | 6936 | 6422 | 2167 | 6943 | 2906 | 6983 | 7078 | 255. | 6116 | 5434 | 2378 | 3229 |
| 4 | 1918 | 2427 | 3954 | 4543 | 3251 | 1835 | 4942 | 2100 | 991 | 3347 | 4026 | 2143 |
| 5 | 807 | 809 | 2280 | 1536 | 661 | 1039 | 492 | 913 | 1039 | 358 | 1388 | 677 |
| 6 | 207 | 433 | 780 | 349 | 429 | 287 | 376 | 83 | 230 | 380 | 146 | 435 |
| 7 | 30 | 94 | 212 | 68 | 47 | 189 | 137 | 99 | 11 | 120 | 93 | 113 |
| $8+$ | 30 | 38 | 160 | 31 | 19 | 52 | 102 | 71 | 47 | 35 | 78 | - 30 |
| TOTAL | 32994 | 14072 | 10181 | 18313 | 11111 | 14982 | 15346 | 11920 | 11808 | 11543 | 12355 | 10169 |
|  | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 653 | 127 | 685 | 430 | 168 | 179 | 243 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 5194 | 4328 | 3132 | 1764 | 7635 | 1203 | 3075 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 4770 | 4763 | 6293 | 2901 | 2440 | 2434 | 1628 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | 1221 | 1749 | 2182 | 1414 | 892 | 610 | 1142 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | 204 | 281 | 387 | 360 | 381 | 155 | 166 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | 200 | 84 | 75 | 118 | 1.03 | 39 | 47 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | 56 | 27 | 8 | 12 | 10 | 15 | 22 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $8+$ | 25 | 19 | 15 | 10 | 19 | 3 | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 12323 | 11378 | 12777 | 7009 | 11648 | 4638 | 6333 |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.4. VIKIUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
COD IA THE KATtEgat (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)

| MEAN WEIGHT AT AGE OF THE STOCK |  |  |  | UNIT: kilogram |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 |
| 1 | . 450 | . 699 | . 699 | . 699 | . 699 | . 699 | . 699 |
| 2 | . 700 | . 880 | . 880 | . 880 | . 880 | . 880 | . 880 |
| 3 | 1.050 | 1.069 | 1.069 | 1.069 | 1.069 | 1.069 | 1.069 |
| 4 | 1.450 | 1.673 | 1.673 | 1.673 | 1.673 | 1.673 | 1.673 |
| 5 | 2.200 | 2.518 | 2.518 | 2.518 | 2.518 | 2.518 | 2.518 |
| 6 | 3.100 | 3.553 | 3.553 | 3.553 | 3.553 | 3.553 | 3.553 |
| 7 | 4.350 | 5.340 | 5.340 | 5.340 | 5.340 | 5.340 | 5.340 |
| $8+$ | 6.000 | 6.635 | 6.635 | 6.635 | 6.635 | 6.635 | 6.635 |
|  | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1 | . 595 | . 711 | . 606 | . 671 | . 483 | . 541 | . 621 |
| 2 | . 752 | . 745 | . 839 | . 705 | . 715 | . 784 | . 921 |
| 3 | 1.129 | 1.133 | . 986 | 1.253 | 1.118 | 1.099 | 1.269 |
| 4 | 1.943 | 1.687 | 1.614 | 1.955 | 1.972 | 1.792 | 2.296 |
| 5 | 3.348 | 2.798 | 2.575 | 2.956 | 2.868 | 2.880 | 3.856 |
| 6 | 3.141 | 3.022 | 4.090 | 4.038 | 4.200 | 4.283 | 5.733 |
| 7 | 5.301 | 5.273 | 6.847 | 7.100 | 5.185 | 5.852 | 5.166 |
| $8+$ | 6.325 | 7.442 | 7.133 | 7.290 | 8.288 | 7.073 | 6.527 |

Table 4.5


## Table 4.6 Results of tuning anaiysis for cod in the Kattegat

Module run at 11.05 .0202 MARCH 1990
DISAGGREGATED QS
LOG TRAMSFORMATION
No explanatory variate (Mean used)
Fleet 1 , Swedish bottom trawl, has terminal $q$ estimated as the mean
Fleet 2 , Swedish Nephr. trawl, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 3 , Danish seine , has terminal q estinated as the mean
Fleet 4 ,IYFS , has terminal q estimated as the mean
FLEETS COMBINED BY ** VARIANCE **

Regression weights
, 020, .116, .284, .482, .670, .820, .921, .976, .997, 1.000
0ldest age $F=1.000^{*}$ average of 3 younger ages. Fleets combined by variance of predictions
Fishing mortalities

| Age, | 80. | 81, | 82, | 83, | 84, | 85, | 86, | 87. | 88, | 89, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1, | .043, | . 021. | .018, | . 036, | .012, | . 090 , | . 028 , | .034. | . 020, | .043, |
| 2. | . 183, | . 475 , | . 295, | . 421, | . 345, | . 470 , | . 349 , | . 914, | . 358 , | . 541, |
| 3 , | .623, | . 578, | . 940 , | . 964, | . 874, | 1.279, | 1.113, | 1.189, | .873, | 1.210, |
| 4, | . 858, | 1.477, | 1.857, | 1.261, | 1.284, | 1.486, | 1.245, | 1.443, | 1.194, | 1.565, |
| 5, | . 655, | 1.154, | 1.195, | 1.011, | 1.243, | 1.224, | 1.180, | 1.656, | 1.167, | 1.435, |
| 6, | 1.166, | .619, | 1.734, | 1.743, | 2.016, | 1.609, | 2.144, | 1.529, | . 770 | 1.680, |
| 7, | .893, | 1.083, | 1.596, | 1.339, | 1.514, | 1.440, | 1.523, | 1.543, | 1.044, | 1.560, |

Los catchability estimates

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Age 1
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Fleet, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 1,-7.91,-8.54,-8.41,-7.87,-9.21,--7.42,-8.44,-8.41,-8.46,-8.09 \\
& 2,-8.43,-9.33,-9.68,-8.73,-10.40,-8.11,-9.59,-9.64,-9.68,-9.13 \\
& 3,
\end{aligned}
$$

SUMMARY STATISTICS



# SUMMARY STATISTICS 



[^1]
## SUPMMARY STATISTICS


cont'd.

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Fleet, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 85, 87, 88, 89
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$-4.92,-4.30,-3.79,-4.31,-4.58,-4.62,-4.64,-4.67,-4.37,-4.50$
$-5.43,-5.09,-5.07,-5.16,-5.77,-5.30,-5.78,-5.90,-5.58,-5.54$
$, \quad,-9.62,-9.63,-8.82,-8.99,-9.10,-9.07,-9.19$
, No data for this fleet at this age
SUMMARY STATISTICS


Arse 5
Fleet, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$--5.19,-4.55,-4.23,-4.53,-4.61,-4.81,-4.69,-4.53,-4.39,-4.59$
$,-5.70,-5.34,-5.51,-5.38,-5.80,-5.50,-5.83,-5.76,-5.61,-5.63$
, $, \quad-9.30,-9.15,-8.54,-8.63,-8.59,-8.62,-8.76$
, No data for this fleet at this age

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 4.6 cont'd.

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Age 6
Fleet, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
1},-4.61,-5.17,--3.86,--3.98,--4.12,-4.54, -4.09,-4.61,-4.80,-4.4
    2, -5.13, -5.96, -5.14, -4.84, -5.31, -5.22, -5.24, -5.84, -6.02, -5.47
    4,'No data for this f7eet -8.83, -8.59, -7.81, -7.72, -8.28, -8.64, -8.20
    4 , No data for this fleet at this age
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                            SUMMARY STATISTICS
    

## Table 4.7 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS

COD IN THE KATEGAT (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)
NATURAL MORTALITY COEFFICIENT $=.20$

|  | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1.982 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | .584 | .002 | .000 | .022 | .008 | .017 | .000 | .004 | .022 | .043 | .021 | .018 |
| 2 | .362 | .283 | .038 | .456 | .179 | .263 | .319 | .319 | .201 | .183 | .476 | .295 |
| 3 | .679 | .561 | .258 | .725 | .655 | .516 | .868 | .741 | .623 | .623 | .578 | .940 |
| 4 | .607 | .538 | .829 | 1.351 | .933 | 1.229 | 1.304 | .698 | .736 | .858 | 1.477 | 1.857 |
| 5 | .670 | .562 | 1.631 | .948 | .721 | .922 | 1.553 | .940 | .935 | .655 | 1.154 | 1.195 |
| 6 | .620 | .838 | 2.034 | 1.468 | .776 | .819 | 1.100 | 1.464 | .658 | 1.166 | .619 | 1.734 |
| 7 | .632 | .646 | 1.498 | 1.256 | .810 | .990 | 1.322 | 1.036 | .784 | .893 | 1.083 | 1.596 |
| $8+$ | .632 | .646 | 1.498 | 1.256 | .810 | .990 | 1.322 | 1.036 | .784 | .893 | 1.083 | 1.596 |
| $(2-6) \cup$ | .587 | .557 | .958 | .989 | .653 | .770 | 1.029 | .832 | .631 | .697 | .861 .8 | 1.204 |
| $(1-8) \cup$ | .598 | .510 | .973 | .935 | .611 | .731 | .973 | .780 | .593 | .664 | .811 | 1.154 |

Iable 4.8 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS

| COD IP THE KATTEGAT (P STOCK SIZE IN NUMBERS |  |  | OF FISHING AREA IIIA) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | UNIT: thousands |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 610mASS | TALS | UNIT: | chnes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ALL VALUES ARE GIVEN FOR 1 JANUARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 |
| 1 | 37168 | 22784 | 15533 | 30232 | 25949 | 11082 | 29550 | 23439 | 10841 | 1.4437 | 17140 | 20590 |
| 2 | 28671 | 16967 | 18620 | 12713 | 24218 | 21075 | 8923 | 24192 | 19110 | 8683 | 11321 | 13737 |
| 3 | 15357 | 1.6347 | . 10465 | 1.4682 | 6598 | 16577 | 13270 | 5313 | 14402 | 12800 | - 5923 | 13737 5758 |
| 4 | 4607 | 6377 | 7637 | 6619 | 5823 | 2805 | 7328 | 4561 | $\underline{2073}$ | . 6323 | 5622 | 2722 |
| 5 | 1982 | 2056 | 3048 | 2729 | 1.403 | 1875 | 572 | 1528 | 1859 | 813 | 2196 | 2125 |
| 6 | 489 | 831 | 960 | 489 | -266 | - 559 | 611 | +116 | 1859 521 | 513 598 | 196 346 | 1050 |
| 8 | 70 | 216 | 294 | 103 | 92 | 327 | 202 | 166 | 22 | 221 | 346 152 | 567 152 |
| 8+ | 70 | 87 | 222 | 47 | 37 | 90 | 150 | 119 | 94 | $\stackrel{21}{64}$ | 128 | 152 49 |
| TOTAL NO | 88415 | 65665 | 56778 | 67613 | 64987 | 54390 | 60705 | 59535 | 48923 | 43940 | 42828 | 44625 |
| SPS NO | 22575 | 25914 | 22626 | 24568 | 14820 | 22233 | 22232 | 11904 | 18971 | 20819 | 14367 | 10298 |
| TOT. BIOm | 66202 | 68860 | 65335 | 68556 | 63597 | 57754 | 60889 | 58419 | 50437 | 44134 | 4.1147 | $36722$ |
| SPS BIOM | 29407 | 38003 | 38092 | 36236 | 24146 | 31462 | 32381 | 20746 | 26174 | 26403 | 4.147 21749 | $\begin{aligned} & 35 / 22 \\ & 15598 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | $1990 \quad 1980-89$ |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 20578 | 11312 | 8783 | 17391 | 5542 | 10030 | 6315 | 0 | 13212 |  |  |  |
| 2 | 1655.1 | 16259 | 9147 | 6573 | 13850 | 4385 | 8051 | 4951 | 10856 |  |  |  |
| 3 | 8374 | 8891 | 9424 | 4682 | 3798 | 4545 | 2510 | 3838 | 6671 |  |  |  |
| 4 | 1842 | 2614 | 3038 | 2147 | 1259 | 947 | 1554 | 61.3 | 2807 |  |  |  |
| 5 | 348 | 427 | 593 | 563 | 506 | 24.4 | 235 | 266 | 697 |  |  |  |
| 6 | 260 | 104 | 101 | 143 | 142 | 79 | 52 | 46 | 240 |  |  |  |
| 7 | 62 | 37 | 11 | 17 | 14 | 25 | 30 | + 9 | 74 |  |  |  |
| $8+$ | 37 | 26 | 21 | 14 | 25 | 5 | 14 | 8 | 38 |  |  |  |
| TOTAL NO | 48071 | 39671 | 31119 | 31529 | 25136 | 20261 | 18770 |  |  |  |  |  |
| SPS NO | 10942 | 121.00 | 13189 | 7564 | 5744 | 5845 | 4405 |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOT. SIOM | 40371 | 36540 | 29361 | 28825 | 21655 | 16780 | 19595 |  |  |  |  |  |
| SPE Bram | 15581 | 16384 | 16364 | 12521 | 9062 | 7915 | 8259 |  |  |  |  |  |

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Analysis by RCRTINX2 of data from file KATIYFS:DAT
COD IN THE KATTEGAT AS 1-GROUP, 1 AND 2-GROUP DATA, YEARCLASSES 79-89
Data for }2\mathrm{ surveys over }11\mathrm{ years
REGRESSION TYPE = C
TAPERED TIME WEIGHIING APPLIED
POWER = 3 OVER }11\mathrm{ YEARS
PRIOR WEIGHTING NOT APPLIED
FINAL ESTIMATES SHRUNK TOWARDS MEAN
ESTIMATES HITH S.E.'S GREATER THAN THAT OF IEAN EXCLUUED
MINIMUM S.E. FOR ANY SURVEY TAKEN AS . 20
MINIMUM OF 5 POINTS USED FOR REGRESSION
Yearclass = 1987
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Survey/ & Index & Slope & Inter- & Rsquare & No. & Predicted & Sigma & Standard & Weight \\
\hline Series & Value & & cept & & Pts & Value & & Error & \\
\hline IYFS1 & 4.2399 & . 551 & 7.434 & . 5165 & 7 & 9.7698 & . 55610 & . 61017 & . 00000 \\
\hline IYFS2 & 3.8877 & . 690 & 6.200 & . 6748 & 8 & 8.8839 & . 38148 & . 43709 & . 56422 \\
\hline MEAN & & & & & & 9.4522 & . 49734 & . 49734 & . 43578 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
```

Yearclass $=1988$

| Survey/ | Index | Slope | Inter- | Rsquare | No. | Predicted | Sigma | Standard | Weight |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Series | Value |  | cept |  | Pts | Value |  | Error |  |
| IYFS1 | 1.3350 | . 567 | 7.261 | . 4899 | 8 | 8.0179 | . 54629 | . 74447 | . 00000 |
| IYFS2 | 2.3702 | . 636 | 6.478 | . 7026 | 9 | 7.9861 | . 34076 | . 50639 | . 00000 |
| MEAN |  |  |  |  |  | 9.3894 | . 47609 | . 47609 | 1.00000 |

Yearclass $=1989$

| Survey/ | Irdex | Slope | Inter- | Rsquare | No, | Predicted | Sigma | Standard | Weight |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Series | Value |  | cept |  | Pts | Value |  | Error |  |
| IYFS1 | 4.8828 | . 426 | 7.815 | . 6335 | 9 | 9.8968 | . 41406 | . 47749 | . 51547 |
| IYFS2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MEAN |  |  |  |  |  | 9.2650 | . 49250 | . 49250 | . 48453 |


| Yearclass | Weighted <br> Average <br> Prediction | Internal <br> Standard <br> Error | External <br> Standard <br> Error | Virtual <br> Population <br> Analysis | Ext.SE/ <br> Int.SE |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 1987 | 9.13 | 9242.26 | .33 | .20 | 9.2110031 .01 | .61 |
| 1988 | 9.39 | 11960.90 | .48 | .00 | 8.786514 .00 | .00 |
| 1989 | 9.59 | 14627.69 | .34 | .32 |  | .92 |

## wle 4.10 Cod in the Kattegat

List of input variables for the ICES prediction program.

COO IN THE KATTEGAT
The reference $F$ is the mean $F$ for the age group range from 2 to 6
The number of recruits per year is as follows:

| Year | Recruitment |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1990 | 14628.0 |
| 1991 | 13212.0 |
| 1992 | 13212.0 |

Data are printed in the following units:
Mumber of fish: thousands

Weight by age group in the catch: kilogram
Weight by age group in the stock: kilogram
Stock biomass: tonnes
Catch weight:
tonnes

| age | ock size! | Fishing: pattern | $\begin{array}{r} \text { natural! } \\ \text { mortality! } \end{array}$ | maturity: ogive: | weight in the catch | weight in the stock |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | 14628.0! | . 051 | . 201 | 001 | 584 | 584 |
| $2!$ | 4951.01 | . 571 | . 201 | . 001 | .7931 | . 7931 |
| $3!$ | 3836.0 | 1.23! | . 20 | $1.00!$ | 1.145 | 1.145 |
| 41 | 613.0 | $1.51!$ | $20!$ | $1.00:$ | 1.926 | 1.926 |
| 5 | 266.01 | 1.44! | . 201 | 1.001 | $3.027!$ | 3.027 |
| 61 | 46.01 | 1.68! | . 201 | $1.00!$ | 4.469 ! | 4.469 |
| 71 | 9.01 | 1.541 | . 201 | 1.001 | 6.0301 | 6.0301 |
| $8+1$ | 8.01 | $1.54!$ | . 201 | 1.001 | 7.2021 | 7.262 ! |

Table 4.11 Cod in the Kattegat.
Effects of different levels of fishing mortality on
catch, stock biomass and spawning stock biomass.
A heading is not given

|  | Year 1990 |  |  |  | Year 1991 |  |  |  | Year 1992 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { fac-1 } \\ & \text { tor } \end{aligned}$ | ref. F | stock: <br> biomass: | sp.stock! biomass | catch | $\begin{aligned} & \text { fac- } \\ & \text { tor: } \end{aligned}$ | ref. | stock biomass | sp.stock! biomass: | catch: | stock biomass | sp.stock! biomass |
| 1.01 | 1.291 | 19173! | 66981 | 6455 | . 01 | . 001 | 21804 | 5022 ' | 01 | 33618 ! |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | .1! | . 13 |  |  | 1071: | 32145 | 17388 |
| , |  | ! |  |  | . 2 | . 261 |  |  | 2045 | 30813 | 14594 |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 4 | . 51 |  |  | 3742 | 28509 | 12369 |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 6 | . 77 |  |  | 5163 | 26601 | 10541 |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 8 | 1.031 | , |  | 63521 | 25011 | 9028 |
|  |  | , |  |  | 1.01 | 1.29 ! | , |  | 7381 | 23674 | 7769 |
| ' |  | I | ! |  | 1.21 | 1.54; | ' |  | 8254 | 22542 | 6713 |
| ' |  | 1 | , |  | 1.41 | 1.801 | + |  | 9008: | 21576 | 5823 |
| ! |  |  | , |  | 1.6 | 2.061 | , |  | 9663 | 20746 | 5068 |
| ' |  | ' |  | ' | 1.81 | 2.31 | ; |  | 10236 | 20028 | 4425 |
| ! | , | , | , | , | 2.0 | 2.571 | , |  | 10741 | 19403 : | 3874 |

The data unit of the biomass and the catch is
tonnes.
The spawning stock biomass is given for 1 January.
The referance $F$ is the mean $F$ for the age group range from 2 to 6

Table 5.1 Cod landings from the Skagerrak as estimated by the Working Group, 1971-1989 (t).

| Year | Open Skagerrak |  |  |  |  | Norwegian Fjords |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Denmark | Sweden | Norway | Others | Total | Norway |
| 1971 | 5,914 | 2,040 | 1,355 | 13 | 9,322 | - |
| 1972 | 6,959 | 1,925 | 1,201 | 22 | 10,107 | - |
| 1973 | 6,673 | 1,690 | 1,253 | 27 | 9,643 | - |
| 1974 | 6,694 | 1,380 | 1,197 | 92 | 9,363 | - |
| 1975 | 14,171 | 917 | 1,190 | 52 | 16,330 | - |
| 1976 | 18,847 | 873 | 1,241 | 466 | 21,427 | - |
| 1977 | 18,618 | 560 | - | 675 | 19,853 | - |
| 1978 | 23,614 | 592 | - | 260 | 24,466 | 1,305 |
| 1979 | 14,007 | 1,279 | - | 213 | 15,499 | 1,752 |
| 1980 | 21,551 | 1,712 | 402 | 341 | 24,006 | 1,580 |
| 1981 | 25,498 | 2,835 | 286 | 294 | 28,913 | 1,792 |
| 1982 | 23,377 | 2,378 | 314 | 41 | 26,110 | 1,466 |
| 1983 | 18,467 | 2,803 | 346 | 163 | 21,784 | 1,520 |
| 1984 | 17,443 | 1,981 | 311 | 156 | 19,891 | 1,187 |
| 1985 | 14,521 | 1,914 | 193 | - | 16,628 | 990 |
| 1986 | 18,424 | 1,505 | 174 | - | 20,103 | 917 |
| 1987 | 17,824 | 1,924 | 152 | - | 19,900 | 838 |
| 1988 | 14,806 | 1,648 | 392 | 106 | 16,952 | 769 |
| 1989 | 16,663 | 1,778 | 91 | 30 | 18,562 | 814 |

[^2]Table 5.2 By-catch of cod in the skagerrak by the Danish industrial fishery (tonnes) as estimated by the Working Group.

| Year | By-catch |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1979 | 4,009 |
| 1980 | 4,036 |
| 1981 | 5,376 |
| 1982 | 9,119 |
| 1983 | 4,384 |
| 1984 | 1,084 |
| 1985 | 1,751 |
| 1986 | 997 |
| 1987 | 491 |
| 1988 | 1,103 |
| 1989 | 428 |

Table_5.3 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
COD IN THE SKAGERRAK (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)

## CATCH IN NUMBERS UNIT: thousands

|  | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 |  | 432 | 1066 | 389 | 1080 | 1771 | 341 | 928 | 3253 | 165 | 1035 |
| 2 | 4325 | 6593 | 11030 | 4448 | 6020 | 7067 | 5156 | 4101 | 12289 | 2645 | 6139 |
| 3 | 2956 | 4821 | 6202 | 6653 | 3368 | 3107 | 2773 | 3441 | 2245 | 5251 | 3114 |
| 4 | 480 | 1748 | 1169 | 2009 | 1609 | 731 | 856 | 1748 | 503 | 592 | 1539 |
| 5 | 202 | 349 | 288 | 242 | 290 | 280 | 207 | 347 | 137 | 150 | 170 |
| 6 | 34 | 94 | 44 | 175 | 85 | 70 | 124 | 60 | 69 | 56 | 102 |
| 7 | 33 | 82 | 49 | 73 | 32 | 22 | 33 | 39 | 17 | 8 | 18 |
| $8+$ | 28 | 11 | 6 | 27 | 69 | 17 | 9 | 21 | 19 | 13 | 11 |
| TOTAL | 8490 | 14764 | 19177 | 14707 | 13244 | 11635 | 10086 | 13010 | 15444 | 9750 | 11875 |

TabTe 5.4 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
COD IN THE SKAGERRAK (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIa)
MEAN WEIGHT AT AGE OF THE STOCK UNIT: kilogram

|  | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | .599 | .746 | .619 | .656 | .590 |  | .647 | .649 | .683 | .580 | .637 |
| 2 | .860 | 1.146 | .972 | 1.204 | 1.007 | 1.130 | 1.094 | 1.133 | 1.048 | 1.195 | 1.064 |
| 3 | 1.894 | 1.570 | 1.902 | 1.865 | 1.967 | 2.170 | 2.089 | 2.040 | 1.859 | 1.863 | 1.704 |
| 4 | 3.498 | 3.347 | 3.711 | 2.709 | 3.350 | 3.616 | 3.537 | 2.636 | 3.896 | 2.978 | 3.224 |
| 5 | 5.510 | 4.865 | 5.261 | 6.107 | 5.751 | 5.505 | 5.472 | 4.702 | 5.849 | 5.830 | 5.637 |
| 6 | 7.093 | 8.932 | 9.491 | 8.018 | 8.074 | 7.814 | 7.746 | 7.538 | 7.914 | 8.095 | 7.890 |
| 7 | 7.304 | 8.301 | 8.514 | 8.738 | 8.586 | 10.319 | 10.255 | 9.164 | 9.607 | 10.245 | 9.686 |
| $8+$ | 9.888 | 11.085 | 10.094 | 12.658 | 11.963 | 12.856 | 12.854 | 9.777 | 12.467 | 13.060 | 10.800 |

Table 5.5


Module run at 10.40.48 02 MARCH 1990
DISAGGREGATED QS
LOG TRANSFORMATION
NO explanatory variate (Mean used)
Fleet 1 , Swedish bottom trawl, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 2 , Swedish Nephr. trawl, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 3 , Danish Seine , has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 4 ,IYFS , has terminal $q$ estimated as the mean
FLEETS COMBINED BY ** YARIANCE **
Regression weights
, .015, .093, . 233, .409, .588, .744, .863, .940, .982, .998, 1.000,

01 dest age $F=1.000^{*}$ average of 3 younger ages. Fleets combined by variance of predictions
Fishing mortalities

| Age, | 79. | 80, | 81, | 82, | 83, | 84, | 85, | 86, | 87, | 88, | 89, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | .020, | .039, | .031, | .073, | .103, | . 026, | .090, | .117, | .017, | . 074, | 052, |
| 2. | . 421, | . 461, | .679, | . 575, | . 707 , | . 745 , | .662, | .697, | .833, | . 403, | . 804 , |
| 3 , | . 691, | 1.216, | 1.096, | 1.236, | 1.240, | 1.033, | . 755 , | 1.413, | 1.106, | 1.126, | 1.222, |
| 4, | . 539, | 1.250, | 1.215, | 1.528, | 1.278, | 1.058, | . 942. | 1.917, | . 822, | 1.056, | 1.360, |
| 5, | . 585 , | .995, | . 704 , | . 921 , | 1.025, | . 808, | 1.051, | 1.465, | .830, | .627, | 1.071, |
| 6 | .191, | . 602, | . 309, | 1.386, | 1.043 , | . 753, | 1.107, | 1.074, | 1.641, | 1.033, | 1.263, |
| 7, | .439, | .949, | . 742, | 1.278, | 1.115, | .873, | 1.033, | 1.485, | 1.098, | . 905 , | 1.231, |

Log catchability estimates


## SUMMARY STATISTICS



Table 5.6. cont'd.
Age 2
Fleet, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$\frac{1}{2} ;-7.16 ;-7.18,-6.88,-6.69,-6.68,-6.76,-6.74 ;-6.90,-6.45 ;-7.50,-6.73$
2, $-7.21,-7.49,-7.05,-7.20,-7.17,-7.46,-7.35,-7.99,-7.64,-8.55,-7.52$
$4, \quad, \quad,-5.25,-5.52,-11.45,-11.19,-10.94,-10.75,-10.94,-11.43,-11.26$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 3
Fleet, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$\frac{1}{2},-6.67,-6.21,-6.41,-5.92,-6.12,-6.43,-6.61,-6.20,-6.17,-6.48,-6.31$
$2,-6.71,-6.52,-6.57,-6.43,-6.61,-7.13,-7.22,-7.28,-7.36,-7.52,-7.10$
4 , No data for this fleet at this age $-10.21,-10.16,-9.45,-10.08,-11.23,-10.37$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 4
Fleet, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$1,-6.92,-6.18,-6.30,-5.71,-6.09,-6.41,-6.38,-5.89,-6.46,-6.54,-6.21$
$2,-6.96,-6.49,-6.47,-6.22,-6.58,-7.11,-6.99,-6.98,-7.65,-7.58,-7.00$
3
4 , No data for this fleet at this age $-9.68,-9.41,-8.89,-9.64,-9.56,-9.62$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 5
Fleet, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$1,-6.83,-6.41,-6.85,-6.22,-6.31,-6.68,-6.27,-6.16,-6.45,-7.06,-6.44$
$2,-6.88,-6.72,-7.01,-6.73,-6.80,-7.38,-6.88,-7.24,-7.64,-8.11,-7.24$
4, No data for 'this fl'et $,-9.33,-9.52,-8.87,-8.58,-9.22,-9.40,-9.30$
, No data for this fleet at this age

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 5.6 cont'd.


SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
COD IN THE SKAGERRAK (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)

| FISHING MORTALITY COEFFICIENT |  |  |  | UNIT: Year-1 |  | NATURA | MORTALITY COE |  | CIENT | . 20 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1980-89 |
| 1 | . 020 | . 039 | . 031 | . 073 | . 103 | . 026 | . 090 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | . 421 | . 461 | . 679 | . 575 | .707 | . 745 | . .662 | .6117 | . 81.83 | . 074 | . 052 | . 062 |
| 3 | . 691 | 1.216 | 1.096 | 1.236 | 1.240 | 1.033 | . 755 | 1.413 | 1.105 | 1.403 | .804 1.222 | . 657 |
| 4 | . 539 | 1.250 | 1.215 | 1.528 | 1.278 | 1.058 | . .942 | 1.917 | 1.106 .822 | 1.126 | 1.222 | 1.145 |
| 5 | . 585 | . 995 | . 704 | . 921 | 1.025 | . .808 | 1.051 | 1.465 | . 832 | 1.056 | 1.360 | 1.242 |
| 6 | . 191 | . 602 | .309 | 1.386 | 1.043 | . 753 | 1.107 | 1.074 | 1.641 | 1.033 | 1.071 | . 1.021 |
| 7 | . 439 | . 949 | . 742 | 1.278 | 1.115 | . 873 | 1.033 | 1.485 | 1.641 1.098 | 1.033 | 1.263 | 1.021 |
| $8+$ | . 439 | . 949 | .742 | 1.278 | 1.115 | . 873 | 1.033 | 1.485 | 1.098 | . 905 | 1.231 | 1.071 |
| $(2-6) \cup$ | . 486 | . 905 | . 800 | 1.129 | 1.058 | . 879 | . 903 | 1.313 | 1.047 |  |  |  |
| ( $1-8) \cup$ | .416 | .807 | .690 | 1.034 | . .953 | . 771 | . 834 | 1.313 1.207 | 1.047 .931 | . 849 | 1.144 1.029 |  |

Table 5.8 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
COD IN THE SKAgERRAK (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)

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STOCK SIZE IN NUMBERS UNIT: thousands
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## BIOMASS TOTALS UNIT: tonnes

all values are given for 1 January

|  | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 24356 | 31001 | 14013 | 17014 | 19865 | 14566 | 11909 | 32477 | 10847 | $15919{ }^{\text {² }}$ | $17152^{22}$ | $0^{3}$ |
| 2 | 13792 | 19551 | 24419 | 11122 | 12956 | 14667 | 11618 | 8913 | 23657 | 8732 | 12100 | 13337 |
| 3 | 6461 | 7412 | 10096 | 10140 | 5126 | 5232 | 5702 | 4905 | 3635 | 8418 | 4775 | 4434 |
| 4 | 1259 | 2649 | 1798 | 2763 | 2411 | 1214 | 1524 | 2195 | 977 | 985 | 2235 | 1152 |
| 5 | 498 | 601 | 622 | 437 | 491 | 550 | 345 | 486 | 264 | 352 | 280 | 470 |
| 6 | 215 | 227 | 182 | 252 | 142 | 144 | 201 | 99 | 92 | 94 | 154 | 79 |
| 7 | 102 | 145 | 102 | 109 | 52 | 41 | 56 | 54 | 28 | 15 | 27 | 36 |
| 8+ | 86 | 20 | 12 | 40 | 111 | 32 | 15 | 29 | 31 | 24 | 17 | 11 |
| TOTAL no | 46769 | 61606 | 51245 | 41877 | 41154 | 36447 | 31371 | 49159 | 39531 | 34538 | 36741 |  |
| SPS NO | 8621 | 11055 | 12813 | 13741 | 8332 | 7214 | 7843 | 7769 | 5027 | 9887 | 7489 |  |
| TOT.8IOM | 48958 | 72412 | 64277 | 57102 | 48671 | 46731 | 41951 | 51888 | 44574 | 42463 | 41956 |  |
| SPS BIOM | 22507 | 26881 | 31868 | 32550 | 23904 | 20732 | 21512 | 19607 | 13490 | 21889 | 18584 |  |

## 1980-89

| 1 | 18476 |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 14773 | $1_{\text {Revised to }} 22,336$ |  |
| 3 | 6544 |  | $2_{\text {Revised }} 15,058$ |
| 4 | 1875 |  |  |
| 5 | 443 |  |  |
| 6 | 159 |  |  |
| 7 | 63 |  |  |
| $8+$ | 33 |  |  |

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AñlySTS by RCRTINX2 of data from file SKAGIYFS:DAT
COD IN THE SKAGERRAK AS 1-GROUP, 1- AND 2-GROUP DATA, YEARCLASSES 79-89
Data for 2 surveys over }11\mathrm{ years
REGRESSION TYPE = C
TAPERED TIME WEIGHTING APPLIED
POWER = 3 OVER }11\mathrm{ YEARS
PRIOR WEIGHTING NOT APPLIED
FINAL ESTIMATES SHRUNK TOWARDS MEAN
ESTIMATES WITH S.E.'S GREATER THAN THAT OF MEAN
MINIMUM S.E. FOR ANY SURVEY TAKEN AS . 20
MINIMUM OF 5 POINTS USED FOR REGRESSION
Yearclass = 1987
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Survey/ & Index & Slope & Inter- & Rsquare & No. & Predicted & Sigma & Standard & Weight \\
\hline Series & Value & & cept & & Pts & Value & & Error & \\
\hline IYFS1 & 4.3567 & . 479 & 8.229 & . 8310 & 7 & 10.3144 & . 19846 & . 24808 & . 55647 \\
\hline IYFS2 & 3.2108 & . 632 & 7.529 & . 6409 & 8 & 9.5573 & . 34434 & . 37321 & . 24588 \\
\hline MEAN & & & & & & 9.7362 & . 41626 & . 41626 & . 19765 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
Yearclass = 1988
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Survey/ & Index & Slope & Inter- & Rsquare & No. & Predicted & Sigma & & Weight \\
\hline Series & Value & & cept & Rsquare & Pts & Value & Sigma & Error & Height \\
\hline IYFS1 & 4.0431 & . 489 & 8.096 & . 6073 & 8 & 10.0732 & . 33293 & . 37462 & . 34676 \\
\hline IYFS2 & 2.3609 & . 618 & 7.593 & . 6478 & 9 & 9.0514 & . 31539 & . 38328 & . 33127 \\
\hline MEAN & & & & & & 9.7160 & . 38878 & . 38878 & . 32197 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
Yearclass = 1989
\begin{tabular}{lllcccccccc} 
Survey/ & Index & Slope & Inter- & Rsquare No. & Predicted & Sigma & Standard & Weight \\
Series & Value & & cept & & Pts & Value & & Error & \\
IYFS1 & 3.4626 & .481 & 8.065 & .5825 & 9 & 9.7305 & .33310 & .35700 & .50928 \\
IYFS2 & & & & & & & & &
\end{tabular}
MEAN \(\quad 9.7106 \quad .36369 \quad .36369 \quad .49072\)
\begin{tabular}{lrllclr} 
Yearclass & \begin{tabular}{l} 
Weighted \\
Average \\
Prediction
\end{tabular} & \begin{tabular}{l} 
Internal \\
Standard \\
Error
\end{tabular} & \begin{tabular}{l} 
External \\
Standard \\
Error
\end{tabular} & \begin{tabular}{l} 
Virtual \\
Population \\
Analysis
\end{tabular} & \begin{tabular}{c} 
Ext.SE/ \\
Int.SE
\end{tabular} \\
1987 & 10.01 & 22336.62 & .19 & .24 & 9.6815919 .99 & 1.31 \\
1988 & 9.62 & 15058.55 & .22 & .30 & 9.7517152 .98 & 1.36 \\
1989 & 9.72 & 16659.59 & .25 & .01 & & .04
\end{tabular}
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Table 5.10
ist of input variables for the ICES prediction program.

PROGNOSES FOR COD IN THE SKAGERRAK
The reference $F$ is the mean $F$ for the age group range from 2 to 6
The number of recruits per year is as follows:

| Year | Recruitment |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1990 | 16660.0 |
| 1991 | 19406.0 |
| 1992 | 19406.0 |

Data are printed in the following units:
Number of fish:
thousands

Weight by age group in the catch: kilogram
Weight by age group in the stock: kilogram
Stock biomass: tonnes
Catch weight:
tonnes

| stock size |  | hing! <br> tern: | natural! mortality! | urity: ogive! | weight in: weight in the catch! the stock! |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1!$ | 16660.01 | . 071 | . 201 | . 001 | . 6321 | .632! |
| $2!$ | 11653.01 | . 751 | . 201 | . 001 | $1.107!$ | $1.107!$ |
| $3!$ | 8699.01 | 1.311 | . 201 | 1.001 | 1.911 ! | 1.911 |
| $4!$ | 1152.01 | 1.42 ! | . 201 | 1.00 | 3.254 | 3.2541 |
| 51 | 470.01 | 1.08; | . 201 | 1.001 | 5.4981 | 5.498 ! |
| 6 | 79.01 | 1.161 | . 201 | $1.00!$ | 7.8371 | 7.837 |
| 71 | 36.01 | 1.22 i | . 201 | 1.00 | 9.791 | 9.7911 |
| $8+1$ | 11.01 | 1.22 | . 201 | 1.001 | 11.792 | 11.7921 |

## Table .5.11

Effects of different levels of fishing mortality on catch, stock biomass and spawning stock biomass.

PROGNOSES FOR COD IN THE SKAGERRAK

|  | Year 1990 |  |  |  | Year 1991 |  |  |  | Year 1992 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| factor: | $\begin{array}{r} \text { ref. } \\ \text { F: } \end{array}$ | stock! <br> biomass | sp.stock! biomass: | catchi | $\begin{aligned} & \text { fac- } \\ & \text { tor } \end{aligned}$ | ref.i | stock biomass | sp.stock biomass | catch! | stock <br> biomass: | sp.stock! biomass: |
| 1.01 | 1.141 | 47488! | 24058 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | -1 | - | 24058 | 23031: | . 11 | . 11 | 43839 | 17508 | $0!$ | 73251 | 433971 |
| 1 |  |  | ! |  | . 21 | . 231 |  |  | 2966 | 687731 | $39044!$ |
| 1 | I | 1 | I | , | $\cdot 2$ | . 23 ! | 1 |  | 5630 | 647631 | 35157! |
| ! | - | , | 1 | + | .41 | . 461 | i |  | 10188 | 57942 ! | 285801 |
| 1 | - |  | ! | 1 | . 81 | . 691 | , |  | 13895 | 52435 | 23314 |
| 1 | - | 1 | ' | ! | 1.81 | . 1.92 | , |  | 16929 | 479661 | 19083! |
| ! | , | 1 | , | ! | 1.0 | 1.14 | , |  | 19424 | 44321 ! | 15672 i |
| i | 1 | ! | + | + | 1.2! | 1.37 i | 1 |  | 21491' | $41330!$ | 12913 |
| 1 |  | 1 | ! |  | 1.4 | 1.601 | I |  | 232121 | 388621 | 10673! |
| , | ! | ! | ! | + | 1.6 | 1.831 | , |  | 24656 | 36813 ! | 8848 |
| , | ' | ! | ! | + | 1.8 | 2.061 | ! |  | 25875 | 35100 | 7356 |
| 1 | 1 | , | , | , | 2.01 | 2.291 | I |  | 269121 | 33658 | 6133: |

The data unit of the biomass and the catch is
The spawning stock biomass is given for 1 January.
The reference $F$ is the mean $F$ for the age group range from 2 to

Table 6.1 Nominal landings (tonnes) of HADDOCK from Division IIIa as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark | Norway | Sweden | Others | Total |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1975 | 5,015 | 122 | 921 | 57 | 6,115 |
| 1976 | 7,488 | 191 | 1,075 | 301 | 9,055 |
| 1977 | 6,907 | 156 | 2,485 | 215 | 9,763 |
| 1978 | 4,978 | 168 | 1,435 | 56 | 6,637 |
| 1979 | 4,120 | 248 | 361 | 56 | 4,785 |
| 1980 | 7,172 | 288 | 373 | 57 | 7,890 |
| 1981 | 9,568 | 271 | 391 | 120 | 10,350 |
| 1982 | 11,151 | 196 | 396 | 329 | 12,072 |
| 1983 | 8,670 | 756 | 608 | 221 | 10,255 |
| 1984 | 7,837 | 321 | 499 | 30 | 8,687 |
| 1985 | 7,652 | 279 | 351 | 15 | 8,297 |
| 1986 | 4,092 | 226 | 151 | 5 | 4,474 |
| 1987 | 5,033 | 148 | 71 | 36 | 5,288 |
| 1988 | 4,023 | 245 | 64 | 48 | 4,380 |
| 1989 | 4,078 | 78 | 60 | - | 4,216 |

${ }_{2}^{1}$ Preliminary.
${ }^{2}$ Includes Divisions IVa and IVb.

Table 6. 2 Landings of haddock in Division IIIa in tonnes as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark |  | Total | Norway | Sweden | Others |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Consumption | Industrial |  | Consumption |  |  | Consump. | Consump. |
| 1983 | 1,445 | 2,225 | 8,670 | 756 | 608 | 221 | 2,809 | 10,255 |
| 1984 | 5,130 | 2,707 | 7,837 | 321 | 499 | 30 | 5,950 | 8,687 |
| 1985 | 6,698 | 954 | 7,652 | 279 | 351 | 15 | 7,348 | 8,297 |
| 1986 | 2,410 | 1,682 | 4,092 | 226 | 151 | 5 | 2,792 | 4,474 |
| 1987 | 3,584 | 1,449 | 5,033 | 148 | 71 | 36 | 3,803 | 5,288 |
| 1988 | 2,543 | 1,480 | 4,023 | 245 | 64 | 48 | 2,852 | 4,380 |
| 1989 | 3,718 | 360 | 4,078 | 78 | 60 | - | 3,856 | 4,216 |

Table 6.3 Landings of haddock in the Kattegat (in tonnes) as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark |  | Sweden |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Consumption | Industrial | Consumption | Total Consump. |  |
| 1987 | 469 | 338 | - | $469{ }^{1}$ | $806^{1}$ |
| 1988 | 29 | 158 | 15 | 44 | 202 |
| 1989 | 111 | 63 | - | 111 | $174{ }^{1}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Swedish landings not split according to area.

Table 6. 4 Landings of Haddock in the skagerrak (in tonnes) as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark |  | Norway/Sweden |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Consumption | Industrial | Consumption | Total Consump. |  |
| 1987 | 3,117 | 1,111 | 148 | 3,265 ${ }^{1}$ | 4,376 ${ }^{-1}$ |
| 1988 | 2,514 | 1,322 | 245 |  | 4,130 |
| 1989 | 3,707 | 297 | 78 | 3,785 ${ }^{1}$ | 4,082 ${ }^{1}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Swedish landings not split according to area.

Table 6.5 Catch in numbers of HADDOCK in Division IIIa for 1981-1989 ('OOO).

| Age | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | $1987^{1}$ | $1988^{1}$ | 1989 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 30 | 314 | 1,113 | 18 | - | 51 | 381 | 375 | 32 |
| 2 | 9,903 | 2,299 | 4,624 | 6,554 | 8,279 | 904 | 3,282 | 1,683 | 1,518 |
| 3 | 4,962 | 12,055 | 2,728 | 4,481 | 3,687 | 3,725 | 866 | 1,863 | 2,898 |
| 4 | 771 | 1,113 | 4,004 | 713 | 1,049 | 686 | 734 | 303 | 505 |
| 5 | 151 | 209 | 525 | 524 | 78 | 230 | 122 | 158 | 90 |
| 6 | 84 | 22 | 63 | 91 | 176 | 33 | 42 | 43 | 45 |
| 7 | 36 | 11 | 11 | 6 | 29 | 27 | 10 | 14 | 12 |
| $8+$ | 3 | 6 | 6 | 16 | 6 | 28 | 6 | 16 | 6 |
| Total | 15,940 | 16,029 | 13,074 | 12,403 | 13,304 | 5,684 | 5,444 | 4,455 | 5,106 |

${ }^{1}$ Data from human consumption fishery only.

Table 6.6 HADDOCK in Division IIIa (Kattegat and Skagerrak). Mean weight at age of the catch. Unit: kilogram.

| Age | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | $1987^{1}$ | $1988^{1}$ | $1989^{1}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 350 | 432 | 412 | 452 |
| 2 | 470 | 470 | 470 | 470 | 470 | 530 | 540 | 542 | 533 |
| 3 | 679 | 679 | 679 | 679 | 679 | 760 | 810 | 678 | 741 |
| 4 | 932 | 932 | 932 | 932 | 932 | 1.096 | 1.122 | 1.047 | 1.125 |
| 5 | 1.593 | 1.593 | 1.593 | 1.593 | 1.593 | 1.518 | 1.531 | 1.394 | 1.783 |
| 6 | 2.180 | 2.180 | 2.180 | 2.180 | 2.180 | 1.828 | 1.917 | 1.670 | 1.916 |
| 7 | 2.600 | 2.600 | 2.600 | 2.600 | 2.600 | 2.400 | 1.853 | 2.324 | 2.050 |
| $8+$ | 2.770 | 2.770 | 2.770 | 2.770 | 2.770 | 2.700 | 2.155 | 2.742 | 2.967 |

${ }^{1}$ Data from human consumption fishery only.

Table 7.1 Nominal landings (tonnes) of WHITING from Division IIIa as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark | Norway | Sweden | Others | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1975 | 19,018 | 57 | 611 | 4 | 19,690 |
| 1976 | 17,870 | 48 | 1,002 | 48 | 18,968 |
| 1977 | 18,116 | 46 | 975 | 41 | 19,178 |
| 1978 | 48,102 | 58 | 899 | 32 | 49,091 |
| 1979 | 16,971 | 63 | 1,033 | 16 | 18,083 |
| 1980 | 21,070 | 65 | 1,516 | 3 | 22,654 |
| 1981 | $24,942^{2}$ | 70 | 1,054 | 7 | $26,073^{2}$ |
| 1982 | $40,941^{2}$ | 40 | 670 | 13 | $41,664^{2}$ |
| 1983 | $24,816^{2}$ | 48 | 1,061 | 8 | $25,933^{2}$ |
| 1984 | $13,138^{2}$ | 51 | 1,168 | 60 | $14,417^{2}$ |
| 1985 | $12,524^{2}$ | 45 | 654 | 2 | $13,225^{2}$ |
| 1986 | $12,463^{2}$ | 64 | 477 | 1 | $13,005^{2}$ |
| 1987 | $16,323^{2}$ | 29 | 262 | 43 | $16,657^{2}$ |
| 1988 | $11,262^{2}$ | 42 | 435 | 24 | $11,764^{2}$ |
| 1989 | $12,516^{2}$ | 26 | 663 | - | $13,205^{2}$ |

[^3]Table 7.2 Danish landings of whiting in Skagerrak and Kattegat 19811989 as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Kattegat |  | Skagerrak |  | Division IIIa |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Consump. | Indust. | Consump. | Indust. | Total consump. | Total indust. |  |
| 1981 | 189 | 14,010 | 838 | 9,905 | 1,027 | 23,915 | 24,942 |
| 1982 | 234 | 18,917 | 949 | 20,841 | 1,183 | 39,758 | 40,941 |
| 1983 | 202 | 12,285 | 1,109 | 11,220 | 1,311 | 23,505 | 24,816 |
| 1984 | 114 | 7,678 | 922 | 4,424 | 1,036 | 12,102 | 13,138 |
| 1985 | 113 | 5,734 | 444 | 6,333 | 557 | 11,967 | 12,524 |
| 1986 | 130 | 3,755 | 354 | 8,284 | 484 | 11,979 | 12,463 |
| 1987 | 184 | 6,338 | 259 | 9,542 | 443 | 15,880 | 16,323 |
| 1988 | 123 | 2,492 | 268 | 8,380 | 391 | 10,872 | 11,263 |
| 1989 | 144 | 3,954 | 710 | 7,708 | 854 | 11,662 | 12,516 |

Table 8.1 PLAICE landings from the Kattegat (tonnes) as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark | Sweden | Germany | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1972 | 15,504 | 348 | - | 15,852 |
| 1973 | 10,021 | 231 | - | 10,252 |
| 1974 | 11,401 | 255 | - | 11,656 |
| 1975 | 10,158 | 369 | - | 10,527 |
| 1976 | 9,487 | 271 | - | 9,758 |
| 1977 | 11.611 | 300 | - | 11,911 |
| 1978 | 12,685 | 368 | - | 13,053 |
| 1979 | 9,721 | 281 | - | 10,002 |
| 1980 | 5,582 | 289 | - | 5,871 |
| 1981 | 3,803 | 232 | - | 4,035 |
| 1982 | 2,717 | 201 | - | 2,918 |
| 1983 | 3,280 | 291 | 32 | 3,671 |
| 1984 | 3,252 | 323 | 4 | 3,386 |
| 1985 | 2,979 | 403 | 170 | 2,658 |
| 1986 | 2,488 | 283 | 2,8 | 3,246 |
| 1987 | 2,859 | 210 | 2,031 |  |
| 1988 | 1,818 | 126 |  | 1,701 |
| 1989 | 1,571 |  |  |  |

${ }^{1}$ Preliminary.

Table 8.2 Danish landings of PLAICE by quarters in the Kattegat and the Skagerrak (tonnes) as supplied by Working Group members.

| Quarter | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | $1989{ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kattegat |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan-Mar | 2,002 | 1,825 | 1,196 | 941 | 531 | 779 | 568 | 480 | 322 | 544 | 259 |
| Apr-Jun | 2,786 | 1,168 | 774 | 619 | 595 | 745 | 594 | 546 | 618 | 413 | 285 |
| Jul-Sep | 2,525 | 1,396 | 1,069 | 599 | 1,195 | 955 | 704 | 798 | 841 | 468 | 420 |
| Oct-Dec | 2,422 | 1,193 | 764 | 558 | 959 | 773 | 1,116 | 664 | 1,043 | 395 | 608 |
| Total | 9,721 | 5,582 | 3,803 | 2,717 | 3,280 | 3,252 | 2,979 | 2,488 | 2,834 | 1,820 | 1,571 |

[^4]Table 8.3 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
PLAICE IN THE KATTEGAT (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)
CATCH IN NUMBERS UNIT: thousands

|  | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1470 | 50 | 140 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 37 |
| 2 | 3790 | 1180 | 3660 | 680 | 1120 | 8590 | 3100 | 7880 | 8657 | 3330 | 147 | 859 |
| 3 | 20320 | 14070 | 11830 | 8190 | 21790 | 5830 | 21630 | 7330 | 11026 | 20150 | 9686 | 6464 |
| 4 | 10570 | 10510 | 9760 | 23570 | 17720 | 6260 | 3470 | 8140 | 2100 | 9230 | 27862 | 17331 |
| 5 | 2280 | 2840 | 3140 | 14170 | 7910 | 3130 | 2620 | 1040 | 3060 | 2680 | 8685 | 7984 |
| 6 | 790 | 760 | 710 | 1870 | 1110 | 1770 | 1020 | 730 | 431 | 900 | 1144 | 1715 |
| 7 | 500 | 300 | 650 | 350 | 200 | 510 | 740 | 420 | 280 | 230 | 227 | 576 |
| 8 | 260 | 300 | 370 | 190 | 120 | 180 | 330 | 350 | 207 | 270 | 49 | 105 |
| 9 | 180 | 270 | 370 | 330 | 80 | 20 | 120 | 150 | 87 | 210 | 48 | 73 |
| 10 | 70 | 240 | 240 | 260 | 80 | 10 | 80 | 110 | 74 | 130 | 33 | 49 |
| 11 | 1 | 50 | 80 | 80 | 30 | 30 | 50 | 50 | 10 | 100 | 17 | 38 |
| $12+$ | 50 | 100 | 140 | 40 | 60 | 30 | 140 | 10 | 13 | 190 | 40 | 16 |
| TOTAL | 38812 | 30621 | 30951 | 49731 | 50221 | 27830 | 33350 | 26350 | 25955 | 37430 | 47939 | 35247 |
|  | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 54 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 5 |  |  |
| 2 | 301 | 191 | 548 | 1495 | 1334 | 1315 | 391 | 664 | 67 | 738 |  |  |
| 3 | 2855 | 1817 | 1326 | 5029 | 4408 | 5052 | 2304 | 2687 | 1151 | 1593 |  |  |
| 4 | 7179 | 4754 | 1986 | 2298 | 2880 | 4061 | 2685 | 4379 | 2039 | 1080 |  |  |
| 5 | 5355 | 3198 | 1935 | 888 | 619 | 434 | 2072 | 1717 | 1385 | 732 |  |  |
| 6 | 2310 | 1056 | 1011 | 585 | 385 | 84 | 619 | 456 | 538 | 313 |  |  |
| 7 | 501 | 416 | 380 | 561 | 540 | 80 | 130 | 117 | 247 | 145 |  |  |
| 8 | 159 | 196 | 157 | 402 | 675 | 115 | 64 | 92 | 150 | 81 |  |  |
| 9 | 127 | 131 | 63 | 216 | 566 | 89 | 48 | 72 | 70 | 65 |  |  |
| 10 | 53 | 91 | 23 | 54 | 288 | 100 | 43 | 71 | 64 | 44 |  |  |
| 11 | 32 | 51 | 25 | 39 | 27 | 66 | 27 | 61 | 23 | 30 |  |  |
| $12+$ | 17 | 39 | 9 | 71 | 70 | 71 | 22 | 60 | 63 | 85 |  |  |
| TOTAL | 18890 | 11942 | 7483 | 11692 | 11799 | 11473 | 8413 | 10376 | 5800 | 4911 |  |  |

Table 8.4 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
plaice in the kattegat (part of fishing area ilia)

| STOCK UNIT: kilogram |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 |
| 1 | . 176 | . 176 | . 176 | . 176 | . 176 | . 176 | . 176 |  |  |  |
| 2 | . 243 | . 243 | . 243 | . 243 | . 243 | . 243 | . 243 | . 176 | . 176 | . 176 |
| 3 | . 273 | . 273 | . 273 | . 273 | . 273 | . 273 | . 273 | . 243 | . 243 | . 243 |
| 4 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 | . 273 |
| 5 | . 325 | . 325 | . 325 | . 325 | . 325 | . 325 | . 2915 | . 291 | . 291 | . 291 |
| 6 | . 408 | . 408 | . 408 | . 408 | . 408 | . 408 | . 408 | . 408 | . 425 | . 325 |
| 7 | . 556 | . 556 | . 556 | . 556 | . 556 | . 556 | . 556 | . 556 | . .556 | . 408 |
| 8 | . 686 | . 686 | . 686 | . 686 | . 686 | . 686 | . 686 | . 686 | . 688 | . 686 |
| 9 | . 822 | . 822 | . 822 | . 822 | . 822 | . 822 | . 822 | . 828 | . 8282 | . 6826 |
| 10 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 907 | . 822 |
| 11 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 | . 952 |
| 12+ | . 992 | . 992 | . 992 | . 992 | . 992 | . 992 | . 992 | . 992 | $\begin{array}{r} .952 \\ .992 \end{array}$ | . 992 |
|  | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1 | . 120 | . 180 | . 260 | . 275 | . 235 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | . 263 | . 230 | . 270 | . 285 | . 287 | . 284 | . 2251 | . 2801 | . 272 | .229 .297 |
| 3 | . 277 | . 270 | . 320 | . 285 | . 300 | . 280 | . 295 | . 287 | . $2636=$ | . 297 |
| 4 | . 300 | . 290 | . 330 | . 298 | . 318 | . 310 | . 302 | . 332 | . $2906=$ | . 293 |
| 5 | . 310 | . 350 | . 360 | . 350 | . 358 | . 398 | . 358 | . 426 | . 334 | . 324 |
| 6 | .356 .500 | .440 .530 | .440 .580 | . 385 | . 324 | . 476 | . 415 | . .569 | . 334 | . 412 |
| 8 | . 500 | . 530 | . 5810 | . 402 | . 316 | . 503 | . 484 | . 638 | . 562 | . 478 |
| 9 | . 690 | . 790 | . 910 | . 581 | . 340 | . 524 | . 604 | . 855 | . 654 | . 619 |
| 10 | . 810 | . 900 | 1.000 | 1.033 | . 412 | . 622 | . 784 | . T . 054 | . 796 | . 851 |
| 11 | . 890 | . 960 | 1.050 | 1.182 | . 876 | . 652 | . 8872 | 1.059 | . 738 | . 950 |
| 12+ | . 950 | 1.050 | 1.070 | 1.178 | 1.136 | 1.048 | 1.097 | 1.039 .793 | .992 1.119 | .964 1.068 |

Table 8.5 Division IIIa PLAICE. Mean Catch (kg) per fishing hour for gears in the Kattegat and Skagerrak (Swedish data).

| Year | Skagerrak |  |  | Kattegat |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Catch } \\ & \text { (tonnes) } \end{aligned}$ | Effort <br> (hrs) | CPUE | Catch (tonnes) | Effort <br> (hrs) | CPUE |
| Nephrops trawl |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 74.4 | 42,987 | 1.73 | 48.1 | 14,137 | 3.40 |
| 1981 | 76.1 | 43,785 | 1.03 | 56.0 | 13,875 | 4.04 |
| 1982 | 79.9 | 40,815 | 1.95 | 41.6 | 14,270 | 2.92 |
| 1983 | 104.1 | 52,536 | 1.98 | 44.0 | 11,739 | 3.75 |
| 1984 | 215.4 | 69,779 | 3.09 | 67.7 | 13,718 | 4.94 |
| 1985 | 219.6 | 70,864 | 3.10 | 103.8 | 13,090 | 7.93 |
| 1986 | 135.3 | 74,913 | 1.81 | 45.6 | 16,420 | 2.78 |
| 1987 | 127.7 | 91,875 | 1.39 | 82.9 | 19,421 | 4.27 |
| 1988 | 184.4 | 109,337 | 1.66 | 66.5 | 16,802 | 3.96 |
| 1989 | 202.2 | 85,833 | 2.36 | 39.2 | 15,565 | 2.52 |
| Cod bottom trawl |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 16.6 | 6,651 | 2.50 | 91.0 | 14,866 | 6.12 |
| 1981 | 12.7 | 7,297 | 1.74 | 95.8 | 12,454 | 7.69 |
| 1982 | 18.3 | 8,178 | 2.24 | 94.5 | 10,443 | 9.05 |
| 1983 | 22.3 | 8,478 | 2.63 | 177.6 | 17,321 | 10.25 |
| 1984 | 54.4 | 11,991 | 4.54 | 145.6 | 19,168 | 7.60 |
| 1985 | 46.7 | 13,168 | 3.55 | 133.7 | 14,112 | 9.47 |
| 1986 | 34.4 | 11,977 | 2.87 | 66.4 | 13,157 | 5.05 |
| 1987 | 25.7 | 13,526 | 1.90 | 108.3 | 14,448 | 7.50 |
| 1988 | 38.3 | 14,405 | 2.66 | 102.9 | 13,458 | 7.65 |
| 1989 | 38.3 | 11,310 | 3.39 | 63.7 | 13,508 | 4.72 |

Table 8. 6 Division IIIa PLAICE. Mean catch (kg) per fishing day for gears in the Kattegat and Skagerrak (Danish data).

| Year | Kattegat catch in kg (effort in fishing days) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seiners |  |  | Trawl <30 GRT |  |  | Trawl $>30$ GRT |  |  | Gillnet |  |  |
|  | Catch | Effort | CPUE | Catch | Effort | CPUE | Catch | Effort | CPUE | Catch | Effort | CPUE |
| 1983 | 331,882 | $(1,811)$ | 183.3 | 136,430 | $(2,135)$ | 63.9 | 59,682 | (641) | 93.1 | 22.146 | (202) | 109.6 |
| 1984 | 528,702 | $(2,379)$ | 222.2 | 211,520 | $(3,114)$ | 67.9 | 75,775 | (995) | 76.2 | 15,577 | (197) | 79.1 |
| 1985 | 240,855 | (885) | 272.2 | 146,150 | $(1,578)$ | 92.6 | 60,004 | (567) | 105.8 | 8,203 | (42) | 195.3 |
| 1986 | 404,093 | $(1,773)$ | 227.9 | 182,760 | $(1,828)$ | 100.0 | 87,450 | (882) | 99.2 | 48,897 | (186) | 262.9 |
| 1987 | 393,777 | $(1,546)$ | 254.7 | 120,870 | (841) | 143.7 | 388, 113 | $(3,136)$ | 123.8 | 95,365 | (291) | 327.7 |
| 1988 | 235,357 | $(1,370)$ | 171.8 | 75,572, | (701) | 107.8 | 252,615 | $(2,968)$ | 85.1 | 64,632 | (243) | $265.9$ |
| 1989 | 211,646 | $(1,577)$ | 134.2 | - ${ }^{1}$ | (701) | 107. | 252, 1 | (2,968) | 8.1 | 60,236 | (336) | $\begin{aligned} & 265.9 \\ & 179.3 \end{aligned}$ |


| Year | Skagerrak catch in kg (effort in fishing days) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seiners |  |  | Trawl < 30 GRT |  |  | Trawl $>30$ GRT |  |  | Gillnet |  |  |
|  | Catch | Effort | CPUE | Catch | Effort | CPUE | Catch | Effort | CPUE | Catch | Effort | CPUE |
| 1983 | 407,230 | (738) | 551.8 | 249,099 | (1,786) | 139.5 | 190,725 | (901) | 211.7 | 4,278 | (31) | 138.0 |
| 1984 | 127,757 | $(2,401)$ | 53.2 | 362,453 | $(2,780)$ | 130.4 | 245,755 | $(1,998)$ | 123.0 | 69,118 | (235) | 294.1 |
| 1985 | 749,096 | $(1,231)$ | 608.5 | 267,474 | $(1,456)$ | 183.7 | 338,315 | $(1,823)$ | 185.6 | 50,118 | (163) | 294.1 307.5 |
| 1986 | 3,440,056 | $(5,330)$ | 645.4 | 1,271,286 | $(3,341)$ | 380.5 | 834,216 | $(2,259)$ | 369.3 | 404,182 | (945) | 427.7 |
| 1987 | 2,373,372 | $(3,977)$ | 596.8 | 248,672 | $(1,114)$ | 223.2 | 360,284 | $(2,140)$ | 168.8 | 638,297 | (1,037) | 615.5 |
| 1988 | 2,077,242 | $(3,856)$ | 538.7 | 254.777, | (1,339) | 190.3 | 406,191. | (3,961) | 102.6 | 355,811 | (911) | 390.6 |
| 1989 | 1,437,169 | $(4,015)$ | 357.9 | -1 | - | - | - ${ }^{1}$ | - | - | 90.336 | (340) | $265.7$ |

[^5]Table 8.7


## Mable 8.8 Plaice in the Kattegat. Results from tuning analysis.

DISAGGREGATED QS
LOG TRANSFORMATION
NO explanatory variate (Mean used)
Fleet 1 , Danish seiners fleet, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 2 , Swedish Nephr. fleet, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 3 , Swedish Cod fleet 3 , has terminal $q$ estimated as the mean
FLEETS COMBINED BY ** VARIANCE **
Fiegression weights

$$
=1.000,1.000,1.000,1.000,1.000,1.000,1.000
$$

01 dest age $F=1.000^{*}$ average of 3 younger ages. Fleets combined by variance of predictions
Fishing mortalities

| Age, | 83, | 84, | 85, | 86, | 87, | 88, | 89, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1, | .003, | . 001. | . 001, | .002, | .000, | .000, | .001, |
| 2, | .101, | . 099 , | .112, | .050, | .159, | .012, | . 061 , |
| 3. | . 663 , | . 422, | .573, | .262, | .494, | . 401 , | . 393 , |
| 4. | . 965 , | . 900, | . 762, | .605, | . 979 , | . 764 , | . 714 , |
| 5, | .645, | .663, | .280, | 1.031, | .883, | . 870 , | .608, |
| 6, | . 459, | .569, | .153, | . 710, | .581, | . 676 , | . 427, |
| 8. | . 398, | 1.898, | .194, | . 3131, | .244, | .637, | . 341 , |
| 9. | . 330, | 1.131, | . .313, | .210, | . 366, | . 49764, | . 391. |
| 10. | . 771, | . 856 , | . 531. | .218, | .734, | . 515, | 528, |
| 11. | .488, | 1.010, | .422, | .235, | .481, | . 492 , | . 429, |

Log catchability estimates



Table 8.8 cont'd.
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Age 2 } \\ \text { Fleet, } 83, & 84, & 85, & 87, & 88, & 89\end{array}$
1, $-\mathbf{- 5 . 2 6},-5.10,-4.71,-5.45,-4.37,-6.84,-\frac{-5.26}{}$
$2,-9.17,-8.91,-8.25,-9.87,-8.48,-10.94,-9.31$
$3,-8.14,-8.47,-8.07,-9.25,-7.87,-10.32,-8.68$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


| Age 3 Fleet, | 83, | 84, | 85, | 86, | 87, | 88, | 89 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | -3.38, | -3.65, | -3.08, | -3.80' | -3.24, | -3.38, | $-3.39$ |
| 2 , | -7.27, | -7.46, | -6.61, | -8.20, | -7.33, | -7.36, | $-7.45$ |
| 3 , | -6.26, | -7.02, | -6.44, | -7.60, | -6.77, | -6.72, | -6.82 |

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 8.8 . cont'd

| Age 4 Fleet, | 83, | 84, | 85, | 86, | 87, | 88, | 89 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | -3.00, | -2.89, | -2.79, | -2.96, | -2.56, | -2.73, | $-2.80$ |
|  | -6.90, | -6.70, | -6.33, | -7.36, | -6.65, | -6.72, | -6.87 |
| 3. | -5.89, | 6.27, | -6.15, | -6.77, | -6.08, | -6.07, | -6.22 |

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 5
Fleet, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
1, $-\mathbf{- 3 . 4 1},-3.20,-3.79,-2.42,-2.66,-2.60,-2.96$
$2,-7.33,-6.99,-7.31,-6.83,-6.74,-6.60,-7.00$
$3,-6.29,-6.57,-7.15,-6.23,-6.19,-5.94,-6.37$

SUMMARY STATISTICS

cont'd.

Table 8.8 cont'd.


Table 8.8 cont'd.


SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 9
Fleet, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
1, $-4.07,-2.66,-3.69,-3.74,-3.60,-3.21,-3.47$
$2,-7.83,-6.48,-7.14,-8.37,-7.61,-7.36,-7.43$
$3,-6.96,-6.05,-7.04,-7.46,-7.02,-6.44,-6.88$

SUMMARY STATISTICS

| Fleet | Pred. q | $, \quad \operatorname{SE}(q), p$ | artial, Raised, $F, F \text {, }$ | SLOPE |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SE } \\ & \text { STope } \end{aligned}$ | , INTRCPT, | $\begin{gathered} \text { SE } \\ \text { Intrcpt } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | -3.49 | . 482, | . 1329, . 3600, | . 000 E |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | -7.46 | .625, | . $0110, .3568$, | . $0000 \mathrm{E}+$ |  | . $0000 \mathrm{E}+$ | 0, -3.494, | . 1721 |
| 3 , | -6.84 | , 486, | . 0178 , 3850, | . $000 \mathrm{E}+$ |  | . $0000 \mathrm{E}+$ | 0, -6.836, | . 172 |
| Fbar |  | SIGMA(int.) | SIGMA (ext.) | SIGM | (ov |  | ariance ra |  |
| . 369 |  | . 300 | .243E-01 |  | 00 |  | $.007$ |  |

Table 8.8 cont'd.
Age 10
Fleet, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89

$2,-7.00,-6.78,-6.73,-8.49,-6.83,-7.17,-7.37$
$3,-5.99,-6.29,-6.47,-7.59,-6.24,-6.54,-6.54$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 8.9. VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
plaice in the kattegat (part of fishing area ilia)
FISHING MORTALITY COEFFICIENT UNIT: Year-1 NATURAL MORTALITY COEFFICIENT $=.10$

|  | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 062 | . 001 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | . 073 | . 020 | . 092 | . 018 | . 079 | . 193 | . 161 | . 184 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 005 |
| 3 | . 726 | . 369 | . 258 | . 271 | 1.015 | . 634 | . 888 | . 607 | . 113 | . 074 | . 006 | . 060 |
| 4 | 1.131 | . 937 | . 418 | 1.034 | 1.338 | . 819 | . 870 | . 904 | . 308 | . 565 | . 282 | . 345 |
| 5 | . 701 | . 979 | . 721 | 1.740 | 1.114 | . 801 | . 884 | . 617 | . 943 | . 5408 | 1.108 | 1.024 |
| 6 | . 399 | . 470 | . 617 | 1.179 | . .529 | . 709 | . 585 | . 577 | . 9496 | . 708 | 1.349 | 1.030 |
| 7 | . 332 | . 231 | . 832 | . 626 | . 312 | . 437 | . 649 | . 449 | . .402 | . 714 | . 686 | . 979 |
| 8 | . 289 | . 303 | . 435 | . 545 | . 401 | . 452 | . 497 | . 649 | . 370 | . 748 | . 156 | . 236 |
| ${ }^{9} 9$ | . 329 | . 484 | . 657 | . 768 | . 412 | . 095 | . 546 | . 392 | . 290 | . 695 | . 248 | . 2324 |
| 10 | .427 .348 | . 848 | . 941 | 1.264 | . 372 | . 073 | . 581 | 1.311 | . 303 | . 805 | . 192 | . 381 |
| $11{ }^{11}$ | . 348 | . 545 | . 678 | . 859 | . 395 | . 207 | . 541 | . 784 | . 321 | . 749 | . 198 | . 314 |
|  |  | . 545 | . 678 | . 859 | . 395 | . 207 | . 541 | . 784 | . 321 | . 749 | . 198 | . 314 |
| ( 3-9)U | . 558 | . 539 | . 563 | . 880 | . 731 | . 564 | .703 | . 599 | . 455 | . 607 | . 593 | . 669 |
|  | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 66-88 |  |
| 1 | . 000 | . 000 | . 001 | . 003 | . 001 | . 001 | . 002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | . 043 | . 032 | . 047 | . 101 | . 099 | . 112 | . 050 | . 159 |  | . 001 | . 001 |  |
| 3 | . 257 | . 341 | . 281 | . 663 | . 422 | .573 | . 262 | . 494 | . .401 | . 061 | . 074 |  |
| 4 | .700 | . 772 | . 674 | . 965 | . 901 | . 762 | . 605 | . 9794 | . .761 | . 393 | . .785 .783 |  |
| 5 | . 941 | . 691 | . 742 | . 645 | . 663 | . 280 | 1.031 | . 888 | .764 .870 | . 714 | . 783 |  |
| 6 | . 860 | . 418 | . 429 | . 459 | . 569 | . 153 | 1.031 | . 888 | . 870 | . 608 | . 928 |  |
| 7 | . 772 | . 318 | . 232 | . 398 | . 898 | . 194 | . 331 | . 288 | . 677 | . 427 | . 656 |  |
| 8 | . 414 | . 700 | . 170 | . 363 | 1.041 | . 421 | . 210 | .244 .366 | . 636 | . 341 | . 404 |  |
| 9 | . 439 | . 629 | . 448 | . 330 | 1.131 | . 313 | . 277 | . .366 | .497 .464 | . 390 | . 358 |  |
| 10 | . 367 | . 574 | . 187 | . 771 | . 856 | . 531 | . 218 | . .734 | . 464 | . 369 | . 362 |  |
| 11 | . 407 | . 636 | . 269 | . 488 | 1.010 | . 422 | . 235 | . 481 | . 492 | . 528 | . 489 |  |
| 12+ | . 407 | . 636 | . 269 | . 488 | 1.010 | . 422 | . 235 | . 481 | . 492 | . 429 | . 403 |  |
| (3-9) U | . 626 | . 553 | . 425 | . 546 | . 804 | . 385 | . 489 | . 556 | . 616 | 463 |  |  |

Table 8.10 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
plaice in the kattegat (part of fishing area ilia)
STOCK SIZE IN NUMBERS UNIT: thousands
BIOMASS TOTALS UNIT: tonnes
all values are given for 1 January

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 |
| 1 | 67963 | 48448 | 44296 | 17154 | 56780 | 25704 | 54520 | 94441 | 54319 | 28569 | 17111 | 8430 |
| 2 | 56798 | 61495 | 43837 | 40080 | 15521 | 51376 | 21861 | 49285 | 85321 | 49141 | 25840 | 15482 |
| 3 | 41139 | 47791 | 54521 | 36188 | 35619 | 12980 | 38332 | 16837 | 37113 | 68978 | 41300 | 23242 |
| 4 | 16246 | 18018 | 29906 | 38108 | 24974 | 11682 | 6230 | 14267 | 8300 | 23130 | 43312 | 28182 |
| 5 | 4729 | 4742 | 6387 | 17812 | 12260 | 5930 | 4658 | 2361 | 5227 | 5518 | 12192 | 12937 |
| 6 | 2516 | 2123 | 1612 | 2811 | 2828 | 3660 | 2409 | 1742 | 1153 | 18842 | 2460 | 2863 |
| 7 | 1853 | 1528 | 1201 | 787 | 783 | 1508 | 1620 | 1215 | 885 | 635 | 816 | 1144 |
| 8 | 1086 | 1202 | 1098 | 473 | 381 | 518 | 881 | 766 | 701 | 536 | 357 | 523 |
| 9 | 673 | 736 | 803 | 643 | 248 | 231 | 299 | 485 | 362 | 438 | 229 | 276 |
| 10 | 211 | 438 | 410 | 377 | 270 | 149 | 190 | 157 | 297 | 245 | 198 | 162 |
| 11 | 4 | 124 | 170 | 145 | 96 | 168 | 125 | 96 | 38 | 198 | 99 | 148 |
| $12+$ | 178 | 249 | 297 | 72 | 193 | 168 | 351 | 19 | 50 | 376 | 234 | 62 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL NO | 193394 | 186895 | 184538 | 154650 | 149952 | 114054 | 131476 | 181671 | 193766 | 179607 | 144149 | 93450 |
| SPS NO | 68634 | 76952 | 96405 | 97416 | 77651 | 36974 | 55095 | 37945 | 54126 | 101897 | 101197 | 69539 |
| TOT.BIOH | 46985 | 47210 | 47678 | 42505 | 37322 | 29209 | 32072 | 40676 | 46635 | 46941 | 36816 | 24559 |
| SPS BIOM | 21221 | 23740 | 29230 | 29747 | 23558 | 12201 | 17164 | 12078 | 16342 | 29972 | 27450 | 20141 |


|  | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 7147 | 13889 | 18125 | 16406 | 14356 | 9275 | 5235 | 6349 | 14479 | 5257 | 0 |
| 2 | 7593 | 6466 | 12565 | 16381 | 14793 | 12984 | 8387 | 4729 | 5745 | 13098 | 4752 |
| 3 | 13192 | 6584 | 5669 | 10848 | 13402 | 12118 | 10499 | 7217 | 3649 | 5134 | 1151 |
| 4 | 14901 | 9228 | 4235 | 3872 | 5061 | 7950 | 6184 | 7314 | 3986 | 2211 | 3136 |
| 5 | 9159 | 6696 | 3858 | 1954 | 1335 | 1861 | 3356 | 3055 | 2487 | 1680 | 980 |
| 6 | 4178 | 3235 | 3036 | 1662 | 928 | 623 | 1272 | 1083 | 1143 | 943 | 828 |
| 7 | 973 | 1599 | 1926 | 1789 | 950 | 475 | 484 | 566 | 549 | 526 | 557 |
| 8 | 491 | 407 | 1052 | 1382 | 1087 | 350 | 354 | 314 | 401 | 263 | 338 |
| 9 | 374 | 293 | 183 | 803 | 870 | 347 | 208 | 259 | 197 | 221 | 161 |
| 10 | 181 | 218 | 142 | 106 | 522 | 254 | 230 | 143 | 166 | 112 | 138 |
| 11 | 100 | 113 | 111 | 106 | 44 | 201 | 135 | 167 | 62 | 90 | 60 |
| 12+ | 53 | 87 | 40 | 192 | 115 | 216 | 110 | 164 | 170 | 255 | 203 |
| TOTAL NO | 58341 | 48815 | 50942 | 55501 | 53464 | 46653 | 36453 | 31361 | 33034 | 29790 |  |
| SPS NO | 43602 | 28460 | 20252 | 22715 | 24314 | 24394 | 22831 | 20283 | 12810 | 11435 |  |
| TOT.BIOM | 16631 | 13964 | 13373 | 17033 | 15366 | 14044 | 10999 | 10958 | 10186 | 9376 |  |
| SPS BIOH | 13776 | 9977 | 8268 | 7853 | 7747 | 8027 | 7695 | 7708 | 4736 | 4282 |  |

Table 8.11 Petersen young fish trawl indices for 1 -group plaice in the Kattegat.

| Year class | Beam trawl | Petersen young fish trawl | VPA 1-group |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1960 | - | 5.80 | - |
| 1961 | - | 1.87 | - |
| 1962 | - | 7.92 |  |
| 1963 | - | 10.42 | - |
| 1964 | - | 16.22 |  |
| 1965 | - | 45.38 | - |
| 1966 | - |  |  |
| 1967 | - | 34.39 | 67,963 |
| 1968 | - | 26.38 | 48,448 |
| 1969 | - | 19.37 | 44,296 |
| 1970 | - | 22.56 | 17,155 |
| 1971 | - | 73.60 | 56,780 |
| 1972 | - | 59.10 | 25,704 |
| 1973 | - | 5. | 54,519 |
| 1974 | - | - | 94,440 |
| 1975 | - | - | 54,320 |
| 1976 | - | - | 28,568 |
| 1977 | - | - | 17,111 |
| 1978 | - |  | 8,430 |
| 1979 | - | 5.72 | 7,147 |
| 1980 | 3.6 | . | 13,889 |
| 1981 | 5.9 | - | 18,124 |
| 1982 | 23.8 | - | 16,406 |
| 1983 | 2.2 | 3.22 | 14,355 |
| 1984 | 2.55 | 10.23 | 9,275 |
| 1985 | 4.41 | 13.14 | 5,235 |
| 1986 | 1.29 | 4.79 |  |
| 1987 1988 | 1.55 | 1.93 | $1,800^{1}$ |
| 1988 | - | 4.56 | 4,000 ${ }^{1}$ |

[^6]Table 8.12 Input table to the prediction.
List of input variables for the ICES prediction program.

PLAICE IN THE KATTEGAT
The reference $F$ is the mean $F$ for the age group range from 3 to 9
The number of recruits per year is as follows:

| Year | Recruitment |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1990 | 11400.0 |
| 1991 | 11400.0 |
| 1992 | 11400.0 |

Proportion of $F$ (fishing mortality) effective before spawning: . 0000 Proportion of $M$ (natural mortality) effective before spawning: . 0000

Data are printed in the following units:
Number of fish: thousand

Weight by age group in the catch: kilogram
Weight by age group in the stock: kilogram
Stock biomass: tonnes
Catch weight:
tonnes


## Table .8.13

Effects of different levels of fishing mortality on catch, stock biomass and spawning stock biomass.
plaice in the kattegat

| Year 1990 |  |  |  |  | Year 1991 |  |  |  |  | Year 1992 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { fac- } \\ & \text { tor } \end{aligned}$ | ref. | stock! biomass | sp.stock! biomass | catch | $\begin{aligned} & \text { fac- } \\ & \text { tor } \end{aligned}$ | ref. | stock <br> biomass | sp.stock <br> biomass | catch | stock! <br> biomass: | sp.stock! biomass: |
| 1.0! | . 46 | 73341 | 3264! | 1363 |  |  | 8846 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 11 | . 05 |  | 2904 | 0! | 11701 | 57581 |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 2 | . 09 |  | 2904 | 317 | 11526 | 5583 ! |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 4 | . 19 |  | 2904 | 609 | 11044 | 5102 |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 61 | . 28 |  | 2904 | 878 | 10756 | 4813 |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 81 | . 37 |  | 2904 | 1126 | 10490 | 4548 ! |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1.0 | . 46 |  | 2904 | 1356 | 10245 | 4303 ! |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1.21 | . 56 |  | 2904 | 1569 ; | 10019 | 4077 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1.4 | . 651 |  | 2904 | 1767 | 9810 | 3868 ' |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1.61 | .74! |  | 2904 | 1952! | 9616 | 3674 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1.8 | . 841 |  | 2904 | 2123 | 94371 | 3494 ! |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2.01 | .93! |  | 2904 | 22831 | 9270 | 3327 |

The data unit of the biomass and the catch is tonnes.
The spawning stock biomass is given for the time of spawning.
The spawning stock biomass for 1992 has been calculated with the same fishing mortality as for 1991. The reference $F$ is the mean $F$ for the age group range from 3 to 9

Table 9.1 PLAICE landings from the Skagerrak (tonnes) as supplied by Working Group members.

| Year | Denmark | Sweden | Netherlands | Belgium | Norway | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1972 | 5,095 | 70 | - | - | - | 5,165 |
| 1973 | 3,871 | 80 | - | - | - | 3,951 |
| 1974 | 3,429 | 70 | - | - | - | 3,499 |
| 1975 | 4,888 | 77 | - | - | - | 4,965 |
| 1976 | 9,251 | 81 | - | - | - | 9,332 |
| 1977 | 12,855 | 142 | - | - | - | 12,997 |
| 1978 | 13,383 | 94 | - | - | - | 13,477 |
| 1979 | 11,045 | 105 | - | - | - | 11,150 |
| 1980 | 9,514 | 92 | - | - | - | 9,606 |
| 1981 | 8,115 | 123 | - | - | - | 8,238 |
| 1982 | 7,789 | 140 | - | - | - | 7,929 |
| 1983 | 6,828 | 170 | 594 | 133 | 14 | 7,739 |
| 1984 | 7,560 | 356 | 1,580 | 27 | 22 | 9,545 |
| 1985 | 9,646 | 296 | 2,225 | 136 | 18 | 12,321 |
| 1986 | 10,653 | 215 | 4,024 | 505 | 24 | 15,421 |
| 1987 | 11,370 | 222 | 2,209 | 907 | 25 | 14,728 |
|  | 9,781 | 281 | 2,087 | 716 | 41 | 12,906 |
| $1989{ }^{1}$ | 5,414 | 311 | - | 200 | 33 | 5,958 |

[^7]Table 9.2 Danish landings of PLAICE by quarters in the Kattegat and the skagerrak as supplied by Working Group members.

| Quarter | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Skagerrak |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan-Mar | 967 | 1,042 | 751 | 849 | 895 | 964 | 919 | 1,131 | 688 | 1,423 | 817 |
| Apr-Jun | 5,097 | 3,325 | 3,036 | 3,084 | 2,729 | 2,675 | 2,944 | 2,779 | 3,649 | 3,938 | 2,104 |
| Jul-Sep | 2,963 | 3,381 | 2,239 | 2,583 | 1,941 | 2,461 | 3,511 | 3,157 | 3,696 | 2,874 | 1,715 |
| Oct-Dec | 2,018 | 1,766 | 2,089 | 1,273 | 1,263 | 1,460 | 2,842 | 3,586 | 3,332 | 1,552 | 778 |
| Total | 11,045 | 9,514 | 8,115 | 7,929 | 6,828 | 7,560 | 9,646 | 10,653 | 11,365 | 9,787 | 5,414 |

Table_9.3 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
plaice in the skagerrak (part of fishing area ilia)
CATCH IN NUMBERS UNIT: thousands

|  | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | 356 | 246 | 62 | 2212 | 4 | 87 | 1024 | 179 | 5 | 20 | 40 | 307 |
| 3 | 6443 | 3327 | 1937 | 8354 | 842 | 6192 | 10207 | 4803 | 2939 | 2242 | 2373 | 2341 |
| 4 | 12771 | 12331 | 9242 | 7800 | 7667 | 8053 | 11657 | 22545 | 16708 | 10924 | 12452 | 6252 |
| 5 | 16928 | 12828 | 7272 | 3269 | 9184 | 8959 | 4784 | 7317 | 24263 | 20156 | 15390 | 5739 |
| 6 | 7090 | 5933 | 3748 | 1003 | 4814 | 2643 | 1997 | 2053 | 5806 | 12112 | 7852 | 2495 |
| 7 | 410 | 1939 | 1902 | 346 | 1561 | 493 | 441 | 787 | 743 | 2449 | 3103 | 1071 |
| 8 | 16 | 65 | 794 | 80 | 638 | 189 | 90 | 195 | 282 | 360 | 991 | 485 |
| 9 | 17 | 2 | 77 | 28 | 253 | 66 | 31 | 146 | 111 | 206 | 314 | 201 |
| 10 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 95 | 33 | 15 | 91 | 107 | 77 | 92 | 95 |
| $11+$ | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 2 | 12 | 33 | 47 | 68 | 91 | 122 |
| TOTAL | 44052 | 36673 | 25036 | 23098 | 25074 | 26717 | 30258 | 38149 | 51011 | 48614 | 42698 | 19108 |

Table 9.4 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
PLAICE IN the SKagerrak (Part of fishing area ilia)
MEAN WEIGHT AT AGE OF THE STOCK UNIT: kilogram

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
| 2 | .238 | .228 | .253 | .220 | .253 | .278 | .261 | .212 | .395 | .205 | .220 |
| 3 | .261 | .249 | .270 | .258 | .270 | .263 | .290 | .290 | .258 | .247 | .251 |
| 4 | .285 | .256 | .310 | .300 | .275 | .291 | .306 | .306 | .280 | .271 | .261 |
| 5 | .333 | .294 | .370 | .360 | .309 | .357 | .380 | .349 | .317 | .297 | .285 |
| 6 | .410 | .388 | .450 | .430 | .375 | .433 | .442 | .435 | .396 | .370 | .343 |
| 7 | .531 | .451 | .600 | .540 | .535 | .592 | .571 | .552 | .551 | .533 | .466 |
| 8 | .668 | .664 | .648 | .660 | .703 | .705 | .836 | .759 | .695 | .734 | .551 |
| 9 | .869 | .983 | .856 | .850 | .789 | .900 | 1.084 | .876 | .877 | .930 | .746 |
| 10 | 1.107 | 1.732 | .856 | .950 | .891 | .933 | 1.256 | .929 | .905 | 1.152 | .911 |
| $11+$ | .995 | 1.283 | .856 | 1.000 | .840 | 1.420 | 1.522 | 1.229 | 1.099 | 1.141 | 1.313 |

Table 9.5
IIIa Plaice Tuning data Skagerrak 103
Danish seiners fleet 1 1983,1989
1,1
2,10
$5.876,37,2614,3399,3782,1169,208,80,28,14$ $28.477,163,1620,1850,759,317,70,14,5,2$ $9.456,65,1756,8242,2675,751,288,71,53,33$ $5.920,0,728,4140,6012,1439,184,70,28,27$ $12.483,10,1134,5525,10195,6126,1239,182,104,39$ $12.198,21,1208,6339,7835,3998,1580,505,160,0$ $9.931,183,1397,3730,3424,1489,639,290,120,56$
Swedish Nephr. fleet 2
1983,1989
1,1
2,10
70.70, 2, 112, 146, 162, 48, 9, 3, 1, 1
91.91, 19, 185, 211, 87, 36, 8, 2, 1, 2
$78.71,4,45,446,145,41,16,44,3,4$
94.48, $0,33,185,269,64,3,3,1,1$
133.09, $0,28,137,253,152,31,15,3,1$
137.96, 1, 34, 178, 220, 112, 44, 14, 4, 1
$111.10,10,79,212,195,85,36,16,7,3$
Swedish Cod fleet 3
1983,1989
1,1
2,10
11.41, $0,24, \quad 31, \quad 35, \quad 10, \quad 2,1, \quad 0,0$
$15.86,7,77, \quad 88,36,15,3,1,10,0$
$14.65, \quad 1,20, \quad 95,31, \quad 9,3,1,1,10$
$15.33, \quad 0, \quad 8,48,69,17,2,1,10,0$
19.47, $0, \quad 7, \quad 27, \quad 51, \quad 30,6,1, \quad 0, \quad 0$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}18.18, & 0, & 7, & 37, & 46 & 23, & 9, & 3, & 1,\end{array} 0$
14.64 3, 19, $52,48,21,3,4,42,1$

NO explanatory variate (Mean used)
Fleet 1 ,Danish seiners fleet, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 2 , Swedish Nephr. fleet, has terminal q estimated as the mean
Fleet 3 , Swedish Cod fleet 3 , has terminal q estimated as the mean
FLEETS COMBINED BY ** VARIANCE **
Regression weights
, $1.000,1.000,1.000,1.000,1.000$,
01 dest age $F=1.000^{*}$ average of 3 younger ages. Fleets combined by variance of predictions Fishing mortalities

| Age, | 85, | 86, | 87, | 88, | 89, |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2, | .004, | .000, | .001, | .001, | .000, |
| 3, | .078, | .067, | .053, | .071, | .041, |
| 4, | .381, | .374, | .331, | .402, | .242, |
| 5, | .475, | .797, | .923, | .937, | .291, |
| 6, | .648, | .760, | 1.109, | 1.058, | .328, |
| 7, | .680, | .454, | .757, | .860, | .336, |
| 8, | .466, | .488, | .368, | .707, | .270, |
| 9, | .381, | .468, | .707, | .560, | .263, |
| 10, | .509, | .470, | .611, | .709, | .289, |

Log catchability estimates
Age 2
Fleet, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$1,--8.90,-11.87,-10.77,-10.52,-10.43$
$2,-13.81,-16.94,-17.05,-15.99,-15.76$
$3,-13.51,-15.12,-15.12,-15.57,-14.93$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 9.6 cont'd.
Age 3
Fleet, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$\frac{1}{2}, \overline{-5.80},--5.88,--6.15,-5.82,-6.00$
$3,-10.71,-11.35,-11.68,-11.81,-11.28$

SUMHARY STATISTICS

| $\begin{gathered} \text { eet , Pred. } \\ \text {, } \end{gathered}$ |  | rtial,Raised, $F, F$, | SLOPE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SE } \\ & \text { Slope } \end{aligned}$ | , INTRCP | rcpt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $2,-11.58$ | .582, | .0010, .0308, | . $000 \mathrm{E}+00$ | . 000 E | ,-11.579, | . 238 |
| 3 , 11.16 | $\text { SIGMA(int.) } \quad .0002 \text { SIGMA (ext.) } 0257,$ |  | . $000 \mathrm{E}+00$ | . $0000 \mathrm{E}+$ | 0,-11.157, | . 197 |
| Fbar .041 |  |  | SIGMA(overall) Variance ratio .146 702 |  |  |  |

> Age 4
> Fleet, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
> $1,-4.22,-4.16,-4.31,-4.09,-4.23$
> $3,-9.25,-10.03,-10.37,-10.09,-9.51$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 5
Fleet, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$\frac{1}{2},-4.00,-3.40,-\frac{3.29}{},-\frac{3.24}{},-4.05$
$2,-9.03,-9.28,-9.35,-9.24,-9.33$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 9.6 cont'd.
Age $6, \quad 85, \quad 86, \quad 87,88,89$
$1,-3.69,-3.45,-3.10,-3.12,-3.93$
$2,-8.71,-9.33,-9.17,-9.12,-9.20$
$3,-8.55,-8.84,-8.87,-8.68,-8.58$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 7
Fleet, 85, 85, 87, 88, 89
$1,-3.64,-3.96,-3.48,-3.33,-3.90$
$2,-8.65,-9.87,-9.54,-9.33,-9.19$
$3,-8.64,-9.44,-9.26,-8.89,-8.55$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Age 8
Fleet, $85, \quad 86, \quad 87, \quad 88,89$
$1,-4.02,-3.89,-4.21,-3.52,-4.12$
$2,-9.02,-9.81,-10.17,-9.53,-9.43$
$3,-8.72,-9.09,-9.85,-9.05,-8.79$

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| Fleet | Pred. q | $=S E(q), P$ | Partio | 1, Raised, <br> , $F$, | SLOPE |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SE } \\ & \text { Slope } \end{aligned}$ |  | , INTRCPT, | , SE <br> , Intrept |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | -3.95 | . 293 , | . 1910 | , .3194, | . 000 E | +00, |  | . $000 \mathrm{E}+$ | +00, | , -3.951 , | , . 119 |
| 2 | -9.59 | . 471. | . 0076 | 6, .2301, | . 000 E | +00 , |  | . $000 \mathrm{E}+$ | +00, | , -9.591, | , . 192 |
| 3 | -9.10 | .493, | . 0016 | 6 , 1981, | . 000 E | +00, |  | .000E+ | +00, | , -9.101, | , . 201 |
| Fbar <br> .270 |  | SIGMA (int.) $.222$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { SIGMA (ext.) } \\ .144 \end{gathered}$ |  | MA (ove . 222 |  | all) |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { riance ra } \\ .419 \end{array}$ | ratio |

Table 9.6
Age 9
Fleet, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89
$1,-4.23,-3.91,-3.55,-3.76,-4.15$
$2,-9.22,-10.02,-9.47,-9.87,-9.40$
$3,-8.63,-9.81,-10.25,-9.23,-8.63$

SUMMARY STATISTICS


Table 9.7 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
PLAICE IN THE SKAgerrak (part of fishing area ilia)
FISHING MORTALITY COEFFICIENT UNIT: Year-1 NATURAL MORTALITY COEFFICIENT = . 10

|  | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | .013 | .008 | .002 | .090 | .000 | .001 | .014 | .004 | .000 | .001 | .001 | .000 |
| 3 | .215 | .139 | .075 | .295 | .040 | .157 | .122 | .078 | .066 | .052 | .071 | .041 |
| 4 | .488 | .703 | .609 | .426 | .426 | .568 | .435 | .381 | .374 | .331 | .400 | .242 |
| 5 | 1.025 | 1.188 | 1.087 | .398 | 1.164 | 1.147 | .696 | .475 | .797 | .923 | .935 | .288 |
| 6 | 1.140 | 1.175 | 1.332 | .359 | 1.555 | 1.204 | .757 | .648 | .760 | 1.109 | 1.057 | .326 |
| 7 | 1.101 | 1.032 | 1.566 | .338 | 1.334 | .555 | .567 | .680 | .454 | .757 | .859 | .335 |
| 8 | 1.651 | .436 | 1.677 | .196 | 1.666 | .473 | .163 | .466 | .488 | .368 | .706 | .270 |
| 9 | 2.226 | .880 | 1.243 | .188 | 1.386 | .682 | .116 | .381 | .468 | .707 | .560 | .262 |
| 10 | 1.659 | .783 | 1.495 | .241 | 1.464 | .571 | .283 | .509 | .470 | .611 | .709 | .289 |
| $11+$ | 1.659 | .783 | 1.495 | .241 | 1.464 | .571 | .283 | .509 | .470 | .611 | .709 | .289 |
| $(3-9) \cup$ | 1.121 | .793 | 1.084 | .314 | 1.082 | .684 | .408 | .444 | .487 | .607 | .655 | .252 |

Table 9.8 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
PLAICE IN THE SKAGERRAK (PART OF FISHING AREA IIIA)
STOCK SIZE IN NUMBERS UNIT: thousands
BIOMASS TOTALS UNIT: tomnes
all valjues are given for 1 jandary

|  | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 30106 | 31248 | 37999 | 27049 | 49419 | 103046 | 75109 | 53259 | 50974 | 40012 | 67403 | 662498 |
| 3 | 34953 | 26902 | 28041 | 34324 | 22373 | 44712 | 93157 | 66988 | 48021 | 46118 | 36186 | 60951 |
| 4 | 34586 | 25511 | 21183 | 23532 | 23134 | 19444 | 34577 | 74597 | 56049 | 40658 | 39598 | 30487 |
| 5 | 27512 | 19201 | 11427 | 10423 | 13902 | 13668 | 9972 | 20243 | 46129 | 34878 | 26430 | 24029 |
| 6 | 10851 | 8932 | 5294 | 3486 | 6333 | 3929 | 3928 | 4501 | 11387 | 18820 | 12539 | 9393 |
| 7 | 640 | 3140 | 2495 | 1264 | 2203 | 1210 | 1066 | 1667 | 2131 | 4817 | 5616 | 3944 |
| 8 | 21 | 193 | 1013 | 471 | 816 | 525 | 628 | 548 | 764 | 1224 | 2044 | 2152 |
| 9 | 20 | 4 | 113 | 171 | 351 | 140 | 296 | 483 | 311 | 424 | 766 | 913 |
| 10 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 29 | 128 | 79 | 64 | 239 | 299 | 176 | 189 | 396 |
| $11+$ | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 22 | 5 | 51 | 87 | 131 | 156 | 187 | 509 |
| total no | 138715 | 115135 | 107565 | 100750 | 118681 | 186758 | 218850 | 222610 | 216195 | 187284 | 190960 | 795272 |
| SPS NO | 108609 | 83887 | 69566 | 73701 | 69262 | 83712 | 143741 | 169351 | 165221 | 147271 | 123557 | 132775 |
| TOT.BIDM | 40155 | 31018 | 32613 | 28284 | 33738 | 53938 | 64339 | 64654 | 69742 | 52175 | 50814 | 181800 |
| SPS BIOM | 32990 | 23894 | 22999 | 22334 | 21235 | 25291 | 44735 | 53363 | 49607 | 43973 | 35985 | 38700 |

1990

| 2 | 0 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 3 | 599161 |
| 4 | 52925 |
| 5 | 21653 |
| 6 | 16299 |
| 7 | 6134 |
| 8 | 2553 |
| 9 | 1487 |
| 10 | 635 |
| $11+$ | 613 |

Table 10.1 Catches (tonnes) of SOLE from Division IIIa. Data from Bulletin Statistique.

| Year | Denmark | Sweden | Fed.Rep. of Germany | Netherlands | Belgium | Others | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1952 | 156 | 51 | 59 | - | - | - | 266 |
| 1953 | 159 | 48 | 42 | - | - | - | 249 |
| 1954 | 177 | 43 | 34 | - | - | - | 254 |
| 1955 | 152 | 36 | 35 | - | - | - | 223 |
| 1956 | 168 | 30 | 57 | - | - | - | 255 |
| 1957 | 265 | 29 | 53 | - | - | - | 347 |
| 1958 | 226 | 35 | 56 | - | - | - | 317 |
| 1959 | 222 | 30 | 44 | - | - | - | 296 |
| 1960 | 294 | 24 | 83 | - | - | - | 401 |
| 1961 | 339 | 30 | 61 | - | - | - | 430 |
| 1962 | 356 | - | 58 | - | - | - | 414 |
| 1963 | 338 | - | 27 | - | - | - | 365 |
| 1964 | 376 | - | 45 | - | - | - | 421 |
| 1965 | 324 | - | 50 | - | - | - | 374 |
| 1966 | 312 | - | 20 | - | - | _ | 332 |
| 1967 | 429 | - | 26 | - | - | - | 455 |
| 1968 | 290 | - | 16 | - | - | 11 | 317 |
| 1969 | 261 | - | 7 | - | _ | - | 268 |
| 1970 | 183 | - | - | - | - | - | 183 |
| 1971 | 288 | - | 9 | - | _ | - | 297 |
| 1972 | 376 | - | 12 | - | - | - | 388 |
| 1973 | 327 | - | 13 | - | - | - | 340 |
| 1974 | 449 | - | 9 | - | - | - | 458 |
| 1975 | 458 | 16 | 16 | 9 | - | - | 498 |
| 1976 | 422 | 11 | 21 | 155 | 2 | - | 611 |
| 1977 | 517 | 13 | 8 | 276 | 1 | - | 815 |
| 1978 | 502 | 9 | 9 | 141 | - | - | 661 |
| 1979 | 376 | 8 | 6 | 84 | 1 | - | 475 |
| 1980 | 316 | 9 | 12 | 5 | 2 | - | 344 |
| 1981 | 271 | 7 | 16 | - | 1 | - | 295 |
| 1982 | 210 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 1 | - | 224 |
| 1983 | 262 | 11 | 15 | 31 | - | - | 319 |
| 1984 | 326 | 13 | 13 | 54 | - | - | 406 |
| 1985 | 396 | 19 | 1 | 132 | + | - | 548 |
| 1986 | ${ }_{645}{ }^{2}$ | 26 | 1 | 109 | 2 | - | 783 |
| 1987 | $623{ }^{2}$ | $19^{2}$ | - | $70_{2}$ | 2 | - | $714{ }^{2}$ |
| $1988{ }^{1989}$ | 678 793 | 24 | - | $78^{2}$ | - |  | $652^{2}$ |
| 1989 | 793 | 21 | - | - | - |  | 814 |

${ }_{1}^{1}$ Preliminary.
${ }^{2}$ Working Group estimate.

Table 10.2 SOLE in Division IIIa. Catch-at-age data (thousands).

| Age | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | - | 2 | - | - | 4 | 2 |
| 2 | 79 | 1,140 | 323 | 386 | 65 | 632 |
| 3 | 791 | 861 | 1,576 | 847 | 959 | 449 |
| 4 | 297 | 275 | 843 | 1,006 | 1,097 | 620 |
| 5 | 145 | 80 | 264 | 429 | 525 | 433 |
| 6 | 38 | 87 | 42 | 172 | 146 | 296 |
| 7 | 41 | 23 | 45 | 63 | 75 | 61 |
| 8 | 50 | 11 | 42 | 31 | 20 | 22 |
| 9 | 104 | 42 | 37 | 6 | 8 | 12 |
| 10 | 74 | 44 | 23 | 17 | 13 | 5 |
| 11 | 10 | 6 | 10 | 16 | 14 | 3 |
| 12 | 8 | 4 | - | 10 | 7 | 8 |
| 13 | 12 | 4 | 5 | 14 | 9 | 3 |
| 14 | 3 | - | - | 5 | - | 1 |
| 15 | 3 | - | 5 | 18 | 10 | 4 |
| Total | 1,655 | 2,579 | 3,134 | 3,020 | 2,592 | 2,551 |
| Catch (t) | 406 | 548 | 783 | 714 | 652 | 793 |

Table 10.3 SOLE in Division IIIa. Weight at age (grammes). Sexes combined.

| Age | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | - | 112 | - | - | 139 | 100 |
| 2 | 183 | 174 | 165 | 160 | 144 | 176 |
| 3 | 213 | 234 | 231 | 194 | 184 | 221 |
| 4 | 257 | 283 | 287 | 245 | 218 | 255 |
| 5 | 294 | 291 | 257 | 274 | 248 | 266 |
| 6 | 297 | 335 | 409 | 319 | 274 | 271 |
| 7 | 380 | 292 | 267 | 360 | 354 | 352 |
| 8 | 321 | 279 | 262 | 417 | 387 | 300 |
| 9 | 323 | 320 | 365 | 357 | 338 | 364 |
| 10 | 365 | 357 | 369 | 311 | 300 | 285 |
| 11 | 415 | 316 | 266 | 377 | 282 | 185 |
| 12 | 412 | 345 | - | 405 | 429 | 306 |
| 13 | 412 | - | 661 | 357 | 599 | 239 |
| 14 | 299 | - | - | 531 | - | 390 |
| $15+$ | - | - | 463 | 438 | 350 | 254 |

Table 10.4 Danish effort and CPUE for trawl and set nets in Division IIIa.

| Year | Trawl |  |  | Set nets |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :--- | :---: | ---: |
|  | Catch/day (Kg) | Days |  | Catch/day) (Kg) | Days |
| 1988 | 69.1 | 7,447 |  | 100.7 | 949 |
| 1989 | 46.8 | 11,963 |  | 132.8 | 1,194 |

Table 10.5 SOLE in Division IIIa.
Recruitment index. Danish flatfish survey in Division IIIa.

| Survey year <br> $(t)$ | Year class <br> $(t-1)$ | Recruitment <br> index |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1960 | 1959 | 4.05 |
| 1961 | 1960 | 0.18 |
| 1962 | 1961 | 0.12 |
| 1963 | 1962 | 0.85 |
| 1964 | 1963 | 0.97 |
| 1965 | 1964 | 0.49 |
| 1966 | 1965 | 0.28 |
| 1967 | 1966 | 0.43 |
| 1968 | 1967 | 0.48 |
| 1969 | 1968 | 0.55 |
| 1970 | 1969 | 2.26 |
| 1971 | 1970 | 0.41 |
| 1972 | 1971 | 1.54 |
| 1973 | 1972 | 1.96 |
|  |  |  |
| 1980 | 1979 | 3.19 |
|  |  |  |
| 1984 | 1983 | 8.19 |
| 1985 | 1984 | 18.25 |
| 1986 | 1985 | 1.73 |
| 1987 | 1986 | 2.12 |
| 1988 | 1987 | 8.17 |
| 1989 | 1988 | 9.16 |

Table 10.6 SOLE in Division IIIa.
Relative importance ( $\%$ ) of the age groups in weight.

| Age | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | - | - | - | - | 0.1 | - |
| 2 | 8.3 | 15.9 | 6.6 | 8.7 | 1.4 | 18.4 |
| 3 | 30.3 | 32.4 | 45.1 | 23.1 | 27.1 | 16.4 |
| 4 | 14.6 | 20.9 | 29.9 | 34.7 | 36.7 | 26.2 |
| 5 | 13.1 | 6.4 | 9.7 | 16.5 | 20.0 | 19.2 |
| 6 | 3.1 | 9.6 | 2.1 | 7.7 | 6.1 | 13.3 |
| 7 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 4.1 | 3.6 |
| 8 | 5.9 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| 9 | 9.2 | 3.1 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| 10 | 5.8 | 5.1 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
| 11 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.1 |
| $12+$ | 5.9 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| Total 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 98.3 | 98.8 | 100.0 |  |

Table 10.7 Sole in Division IIIa. SHOT forecast.

| Year | Landings | Recrt. <br> index | W'td index | $\begin{aligned} & Y / B \\ & \text { ratio } \end{aligned}$ | Hangover | Act'l <br> Prodn. | Est'd. Prodn. | Est'd. SQC | Act'l expl. biomass | Est'd. expl. biomass | Est'd. landings |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1980 | 344 | 726 | - | 0.40 | 0.60 | - | - | - | 860 |  | - |
| 1981 | 295 | 726 | 726 | 0.40 | 0.60 | 222 | - | - | 738 | - | - |
| 1982 | 224 | 319 | 319 | 0.40 | 0.60 | 118 | - | - | 560 | - | - |
| 1983 | 319 | 726 | 726 | 0.40 | 0.60 | 462 | - | - | 798 | - | - |
| 1984 | 406 | 726 | 726 | 0.40 | 0.60 | 537 | 328 | 323 | 1,015 | 807 | 323 |
| 1985 | 548 | 726 | 726 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 690 | 389 | 399 | 1,096 | 998 | 499 |
| 1986 | 783 | 819 | 819 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 1,018 | 515 | 532 | 1,566 | 1,063 | 532 |
| 1987 | 714 | 1,825 | 1,825 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 645 | 1,375 | 1,079 | 1,428 | 2,158 | 1,079 |
| 1988 | 652 | 173 | 173 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 590 | 109 | 411 | 1,304 | 823 | 411 |
| 1989 | 814 | 212 | 212 | 0.60 | 0.40 | 922 | 150 | 401 | 1,357 | 802 | 481 |
| 1990 | 500 | 817 | 817 | 0.60 | 0.40 | - | 680 | 733 | , | 1,222 | 733 |
| 1991 | - | 916 | 916 | 0.60 | 0.40 | - | 762 | 751 | - | 1,251 | 751 |
| 1992 | - | 726 | - | 0.60 | - | - | - | - | - | , | - |

Running recruitment weights:

| Older | 0.00 | G.M | 0.00 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Central | 1.00 | $\exp (d)$ | 1.00 |
| Younger | 0.00 | $\exp (d / 2)$ | 1.00 |

Figure 4.1 Correlations of abundance of 1 group cod in the Kattegat and Sub-divisions 22,24 as estimated from VPA and young fish survey.

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FISH STOCK SUMMARY
STOCK: Cod in the Kattegat 02-04-1990

Trends in yield and fishing mortality (F)


A

Trends in spawning stock biomass (SSB) and recruitment (R)



FISH STOCK SUMMARY
STOCK: Cod in the Kattegat
02-04-1990

Long-term yield and spawning stock biomass


Short-term yield and spawning stock biomass


FISH STOCK SUMMARY
Figure 5.1
STOCK: Cod in the Skagerrak

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02-04-1990
$$

Trends in yield and fishing mortality (F)


A

Trends in spawning stock biomass and recruitment (R)
$\Longrightarrow$ SSB $\quad$ mex $R$


B

FISH STOCK SUMMARY

Figure 5.1 cont'd. STOCK: Cod in the Skagerrak 02-04-1990

Long-term yield and spawning stock biomass


Short-term yield and spawning stock biomass


D

Figure 8.1 Plaice in the Kattegat. The log q values vs year for ages 3, 4, 5, and 6 for fleets 1 and 2.



Figure 8.2 Plaice in the Kattegat. Plot of VPA 1 group vs young plaice survey index.

Trends in yield and fishing mortality (F)


Trends in spawning stock biomass (SSB) and recruitment ( A )


FISH STOCK SUMMARY
Figure 8.3 cont'd. STOCK: Plaice in the Kattegat 02-04-1990

Long-term yield and spawning stock biomass


Short-term yield and spawning stock biomass


D

Fleet 1
DK seiners


Fleet 2
S Nephrops trawlers

Age 3


Age 4

Age 5



Age 6

$\begin{array}{llllll}83 & 84 & 85 & 86 & 87 & 88 \\ 89\end{array}$


Figure 9.1 Plaice. Skagerrak. The log q values vs year for ages $3,4,5$, and 6 for fleets 1 and 2.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Norwegian survey.

[^1]:    Ane 3
    Flect, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89

    1. $-\overline{-5.24},-5.24,-4.47,-4.58,-4.96,-4.77,-4.75,-4.86,-4.68,-4.76$
    $-5.24,-5.24,-4.47,-4.58,-4.96,-4.77,-4.75,-4.86,-4.68,-4.76$
    $-5.75,-6.03,-5.75,-5.43,-6.15,-5.45,-5.89,-6.09,-5.90,-5.80$
    , $, \quad,-10.43,-10.41,-9.46,-9.55,-9.86,-9.88,-10.04$
    , No data for tinis fleet at this age
[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ Preliminary.

[^3]:    ${ }_{2}$ Preliminary
    ${ }^{2}$ Data revised by the Working Group.

[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ Preliminary.

[^5]:    ${ }^{1}$ No data available.

[^6]:    ${ }^{1}$ Predicted, no data available.

[^7]:    ${ }^{1}$ Preliminary.

