

DEMERSAL FISH (NORTHERN) COMMITTEE

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Belgium
(R. de Clerck)

The determination of the density per year class of soles, plaice, dab, flounder and gadoids along the Belgian coast has been continued on the RV "Hinders".

Two cruises were carried out for the demersal young fish survey in collaboration with the Netherlands and Germany.

The market sampling was continued covering cod (North Sea), whiting (North Sea), haddock (North Sea), plaice (North Sea - English Channel - Bristol Channel - Irish Sea), sole (North Sea - English Channel - Bristol Channel and Irish Sea)

Sampling

species	season	No. of samples		No. of samples	
		research vessel	market samples	measured	aged
<u>Sole</u>	1	-	7	717	210
IV	2	-	12	1326	210
	3	-	12	1447	210
	4	-	9	1012	210
VIIIf	1	-	13	1638	210
	2	-	5	428	210
	3	-	5	553	140
	4	-	9	973	210
VIIIf	1	-	4	512	210
VIIIf	2	-	9	1078	210
VIIId,e	1	-	4	357	210
<u>Plaice</u>	1	-	6	348	150
IV	2	-	12	658	150
	3	-	12	838	150
	4	-	8	469	140
VIIIf	1	-	25	1582	280
	1	-	5	314	150
VIIIf	2	-	3	192	-
VIIId,e	1	-	4	228	150

species	season	Number of samples			
		research vessel	market samples	measured	aged
<u>Cod</u> IV	1	-	8	327	270
	2	-	6	263	263
	3	-	6	240	240
	4	-	7	260	260
<u>Whiting</u> IV	1	-	7	327	270
	2	-	6	115	115
	3	-	5	160	160
	4	-	7	140	140

Canada

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Sampling data and research activities relative to demersal fish have been reported to ICNAF.

Denmark

(H. Knudsen)

The RV "Dana" took part in the Young Fish Survey in the North Sea in February and in the International Young Gadoid Survey in June.

Sampling

Species, Area	Season	No of samples		No of fish	
		Research vessel	Market	Measured	Aged
Cod North Sea IV	1	-		684	205
	2	-		1198	472
	3			3965	932
	4	-		537	35
Kattegat III a	1	-	2	141	141
	2	-	2	113	113
	3	-	1	94	94
	4	-	3	189	189
Haddock North Sea IV	1	-	55	318	318
	2	-	17	43	43
	3	-	25	129	129
	4	-	57	286	286
Skagerrak-Kattegat III a	1	-	9	52	52
	2	-	3	25	25
	3	-	44	461	461
	4	-	35	146	146