

DEMERSAL FISH COMMITTEE

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Recording of densities and growth rates of the 1985 and 1986 year-classes of sole, plaice, dab, flounder, cod and whiting was carried out.

Two cruises were also undertaken for the international demersal young fish survey.

The groundfish survey continued in order to estimate the stock size of adult flatfishes in the Southern North Sea by means of a beamtrawl fishery in August.

The market sampling was continued covering cod-North Sea, whiting-North Sea, haddock-North Sea, plaice and sole-North-Sea-English Channel-Celtic Sea and Irish Sea.

Year : 1986

Species Area	Season	No of samples		No of samples	
		Research	Market	Measured	Aged
Sole IV	1	-	13	1 782	280
	2	-	8	825	140
	3	1	-	125	66
	4	-	12	1 166	210
VII f,g	1	-	7	707	210
	2	-	5	438	199
	3	-	6	536	210
	4	-	6	582	140
VII a	1	-	1	70	70
	2	-	6	562	210
	3	-	3	259	140
	4	-	3	294	70
VII d,e	1	-	2	234	140
	2	-	5	391	280
	3	1	-	17	13
	4	-	1	70	70
Plaice IV	1	-	12	800	140
	2	-	11	1 040	269
	3	1	9	595	90
	4	-	12	777	150
VII f,g	1	-	2	114	40
	2	-	1	50	50
	3	-	5	282	140
	4	-	6	386	90
VII a	1	-	1	40	40
	2	-	6	331	140
	3	-	3	163	90
	4	-	3	194	50
VII d,e	1	-	1	40	40
	2	-	1	50	50
	3	1	-	15	13
	4	-	1	50	50
Cod IV	1	-	5	266	235
	2	-	6	379	180
	3	-	3	140	140
	4	-	9	875	210
Whiting IV	1	-	6	352	236
	2	-	6	204	150
	3	-	5	180	140
	4	-	12	942	110
Haddock IV	1-4	-	3	288	75

CANADA

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Canada had no fisheries and no research activity in the ICES area in 1986. Activities in the Northwest Atlantic in 1986 have been reported to NAFO.