

BELGIUM

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Recording of densities and growth rates of the 1988 and 1989 year classes of sole, plaice, dab, flounder, cod and whiting was carried out. Two cruises were therefore undertaken according to the criteria of the International Demersal Young Fish Survey. The beam trawl survey was continued in order to estimate the stock size of adult flatfish in the southern North Sea in August. This was part of an international survey in collaboration with the Dutch and English Institutes.

The market sampling programme was continued covering cod (North Sea), whiting (North Sea, haddock (North Sea), plaice and sole (North Sea, English Channel, Celtic Sea and Irish Sea (see tables).

SAMPLING DATA FOR : SOLE 1989 BELGIUM

		Nr of samples		Nr of fish	
Area	Season	Res. vessels	Market	Measured	Aged
IV	1	-	2	175	70
	2	-	6	667	142
	3	1	1	537	207
VIIIf,g	1	-	10	1 096	200
	2	-	4	325	150
	3	-	1	70	70
VIIa	1	-	9	1 126	237
	2	-	13	1 466	430
	4	6	-	28 815	1 795
VIIId,e	1/4	-	1	210	210
VIII	1/4	-	1	210	210

SAMPLING DATA FOR : PLAICE 1989 BELGIUM

		Nr of samples		Nr of fish	
Area	Season	Res. vessels	Market	Measured	Aged
IV	1	-	2	122	50
	2	-	6	382	90
	3	1	1	850	300
VIIIf,g	1	-	10	654	150
	2	-	4	214	90
	3	-	1	50	50
VIIa	1	-	9	519	100
	2	-	7	412	190
	4	3	-	120	120
VIIId,e	1/4	-	3	150	150

SAMPLING DATA FOR : **COD**

1989

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		Nr of samples		Nr of fish	
Area	Season	Res. vessels	Market	Measured	Aged
IV	1	-	7	340	340
	2	-	6	300	300
	3	-	4	200	200

SAMPLING DATA FOR : **WHITING**

1989

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		Nr of samples		Nr of fish	
Area	Season	Res. vessels	Market	Measured	Aged
IV	1	-	6	255	255
	2	-	7	300	300
	3	-	4	180	180