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1951-53

The Gulf of Mexico, despite its economic importance, is one of the world's least known major bodies of water, in regard both to mass water movements and to the abundance, distribution, ranges, and life histories of many species of fishes found within its boundaries. With the exception of several cruises of the Blake and Mabel Taylor in the late 1880's, the relatively small accumulation of scientific knowledge was confined largely to inshore areas. Although supporting a number of fisheries for many years, notably those for shrimp, snappers, oysters, and menhaden, the total fishery production of the Gulf has been considerably less than would normally be expected from an area of approximately 700,000 square miles. Recognizing the need for a more comprehensive general knowledge, it was decided to make a general oceanographic survey when the Gulf Fishery Investigations was established in the summer of 1950 at Galveston, Texas, by the Fish and Wildlife Service. The primary objective was to determine the spawning areas of various fishes. Studying the distribution of their eggs and larvae by means of plankton tows offered the best method for attaining this objective.

Data are presented in this report on the offshore plankton collections made in the Gulf from the M/V Alaska, research vessel of the Gulf Fishery Investigations. To aid in the comparison of data, the Gulf was divided arbitrarily into the eight subareas shown in figure 1 (see page 2). Ten cruises were made from March 1951 to July 1953. Originally it was planned to cover the entire Gulf annually in a series of three cruises, repeated each year. Unfortunately, the requisitioning of the Alaska for 24 weeks of sea-time disrupted the planned continuity.

As the distance between stations in the basic pattern (approximately 40 miles north and south, 100 miles east and west) seemed too great for obtaining representative plankton collections, I designed a sampler that could be towed at cruising speed between stations. It consisted essentially of a removable "Monel" wire-cloth

mesh net housed within a "Monel" tube. Details of construction are given in Fish and Wildlife Service Special Scientific Report--Fisheries No. 88. Designated as model G-IA, the sampler was fabricated and ready for use prior to the start of the second coverage of the Gulf (cruise 4-2A) in January 1952, and was operated successfully until inactivation of the Alaska in June 1953.

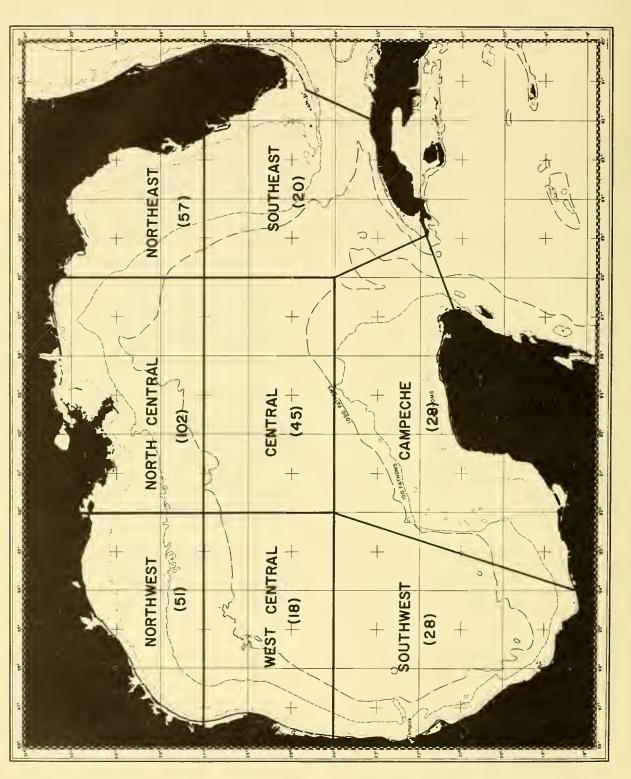
Continuing with the wire-cloth mesh principle, an all-metal net was designed and fabricated for making tows on station. Fundamentally a modified larger version of the G-IA model, this net was designated as model G-III, and is described in detail in the Special Scientific Report already cited.

It seemed logical to assume that the G-III sampler, towed for the same period of time at 4 to 5 knots, and with the same net opening, would catch substantially more plankton than a half-meter silk net, towed at one-fourth the speed. Moreover, we hoped that the increased speed, plus an opening unobstructed by a towing bridle, would result in the capture of the more agile planktonic forms.

Collecting operations in January 1952, during cruise 4-2A, afforded the first opportunity to compare the catching abilities of the G-III sampler and a conventional half-meter silk net. I used numbers and sizes of fish larvae 1 as a basis for comparison.

Ten tows at 4 to 5 knots were made with the G-III sampler, 23 tows at approximately 1 knot were made with the half-meter net. All tows were of 30-minute duration. Both nets were fished horizontally, either at or within 10 meters of the surface. One G-III tow that yielded 959 larvae was considered atypical and was not used in the comparison. In the 9 remaining tows, the G-III net captured 1,334 fish larvae as

The term "larvae", used in this paper, includes all immature forms.



offshore plankton data. Numbers in parenthesis represent the number of plankton tows made in each area. Figure 1. -- Subareas into which the Gulf of Mexico was divided for comparison of

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compared to 414 larvae taken in 23 tows of the silk net. As shown in figure 2, the G-III samples contained larger specimens, as well as over three times the number of larvae. Contrary to what might be expected from the much greater towing speed and metal meshes of the G-III net, I found no difference in the condition of the catches of the two nets.

As a result of these findings and because of its other advantages (durability and ease of cleaning), the G-III sampler was used exclusively on subsequent cruises.

During the period of field work aboard the Alaska, a total of 449 tows were made with different types of gear, as follows:

Half-meter No. 10			
silk net	•	94	tows
One-meter No. 10 silk net.	•	9	tows
G-III Monel net No. 1			
mesh	•	131	tows
G-IA Monel net No. 1 mesh.		215	tows

Samples were first sorted for fish eggs and larvae. Prior to volume determination all gross forms (medusae, sargassum weed, etc.) were removed.

Volumes were obtained after the first four cruises by the following procedure:

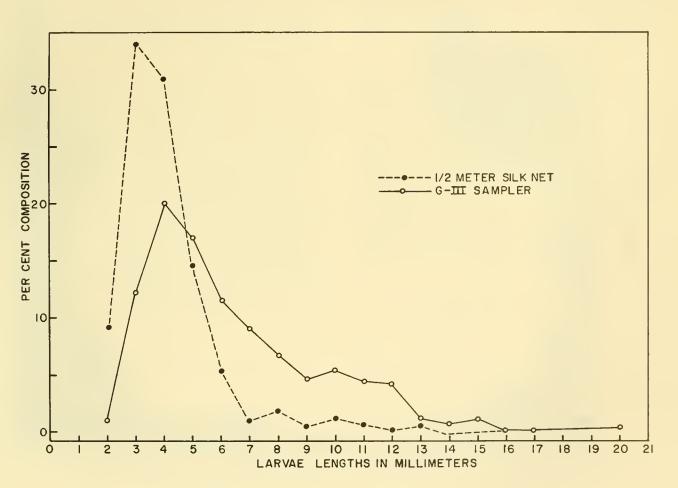


Figure 2.--Length frequencies by percent of larvae taken by a conventional half-meter silk net towed at one knot compared with those taken by the G-III sampler towed at 4 to 5 knots during Cruise 4-2A in January 1952.

- Sample poured into graduate cylinder and reading noted to nearest milliliter.
- Solution separated from plankton by force-filtering solution through a No. 1 Wratten disc filter by means of a vacuum-pump attachment.
- Filtrate poured back into graduate and reading noted.
- 4. Volume is difference between the two readings.

For the first four cruises, however, we determined volumes by fractioning and centrifuging. To adjust these values to conform with those obtained by filtration, we ran, in duplicate, a series of plankton samples of different volume ranges through both methods to obtain the necessary conversion factors. All plankton volumes given in the tables are based on the first method described.

The volumes of water strained, as tabulated, were calculated from readings of the four Atlas current meters which were used throughout the Alaska cruises. As two meters were used with the G-III net on only one cruise, the readings for all quantitative hauls of this net were based on readings from the rear meter. Calibrations of the meters were obtained upon completion of field work by making duplicate tows in opposite directions at different speeds over a 4,500-foot course in calm water. The results of these calibrating runs which were used in the present report are as follows:

Meter No.	Liters per revolution
109	3.604
112	3.190
175	2.821
176	2,575

The following tables of data and their accompanying charts are tabulated according to gear and cruise. G-III hauls are numbered according to station. The results of G-III oblique hauls during cruise 5-2C (table 8) are in the same order of magnitude as those of horizontal tows, and thus received no special treatment.

In spite of the diversity of towing techniques and gear, the distribution of plankton by volume revealed a distinct pattern (tables 16 and 17), with the greater abundance appearing in catches made over the Continental Shelf.

In table 18 the catches of the two metal nets are compared on a quantitative basis. The G-III net, with its half-meter opening, caught substantially more of the active swimmers, but both models captured inactive forms (eggs) in nearly the same ratio. The table also points out the abrupt decrease in plankton abundance as the vessel moved seaward from waters over the Continental Shelf.

In considering the data presented in this report, it should be kept in mind that because of the emphasis placed on hydrography during the survey, and the relatively deep draft of the Alaska, few stations were taken in shallow water. Limited plankton collections subsequently made in shallow waters from smaller vessels in the vicinity of Galveston Island revealed a much higher concentration of plankton, especially in numbers of fish larvae, than appeared in the Alaska catches from farther offshore. It is probable, therefore, that intensive shallow-water collecting would reveal a higher potential of biological productivity for the inshore area of the Gulf than may be inferred from these tables.

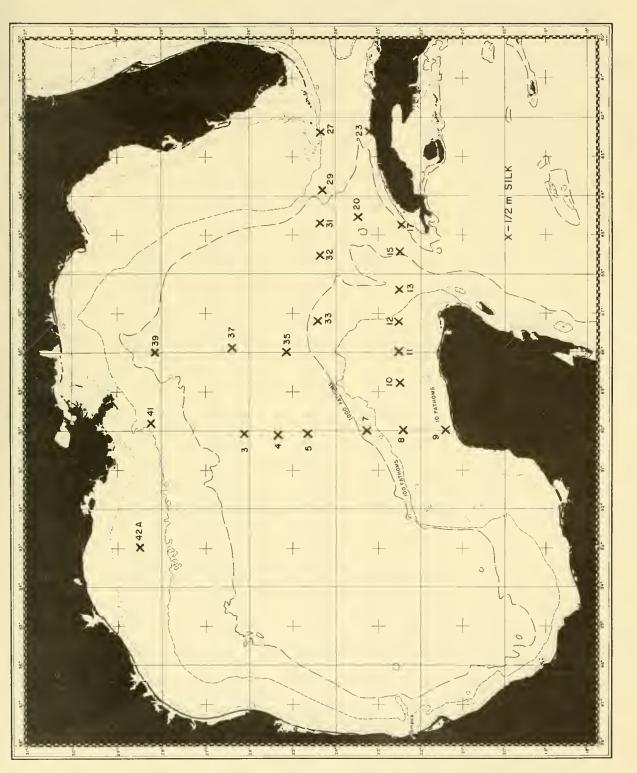


Figure 3.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 1-1A, April-May, 1951. Numbers identify stations.

Table 1.--Station data, plankton volumes and numbers, Cruise 1-1A.

(Half-meter net, half-hour surface tows)

Station	Pos	ition	Sub- Date	Date	Time (start)	Plankton		
	N. Lat.	W. Long.	Area	1951	G. S. T.	Volume (m1)	Fish larvae	Fish eggs
3	26-08	90-05	С	IV-22	0100	5.0	26	0
l ₄	25 - 20	90-07	C	IV-22	2000	8.0	0	7
5	5 pt→p0	90-07	С	IV ≃ 23	1110	14.5	27	6
7	23-15	90-00	Ca	IV 24	0345	1)1.0	67	7
8	22-25	90-00	Ca	1A-57	1032	17.0	1 36	19
9	21-25	90-00	Ca	IV-24	1920	4.5	32	68
10	22=30	88-46	Ca	IV-25	1300	9•0	69	42
11	22-30	88-00	Ca	IV-25	2145	15.0	155	78
12	22-30	87-14	Ca	IV-26	0600	4.0	60	97
13	22=30	86 -2 5	Ca	IV-26	1429	2.5	6	9
15	22-30	85 -2 5	Ca	IV-27	0830	3.0	4	5
17	22-28	84-45	SE	JV-27	1945	1.5	2	1
20	23= 28	84-32	SE	IV-28	0940	<1. 0	2	0
23	23-11	82-24	SE	IV-29	0855	2.5	5	13
27	24-22	82 - 21ı	SE	∀~3	1910	26.4	30	2
29	24-18	83-53	SE	V-4	1000	11.5	L	6
31	24-22	84-44	SE	V⊸l₁	2200	10.0	1	0
32	24-22	85-31	SE	V -5	0840	4.5	1	0
33	24-25	87-14	С	V - 6	0020	11.5	42	8
35	25-09	88-00	C	V - 6	1340	9.0	15	127
37	26-22	87-55	С	V-7	0355	23.5	18	5
39	28-09	88-00	NC	V-7	2220	21.0	56	0
41	28-13	89-49	NC	V-8/9	2350	18.0	7 5	7
LIZA	28 - 30	93 - 00	NW	V-10	0815	31.6	52	8

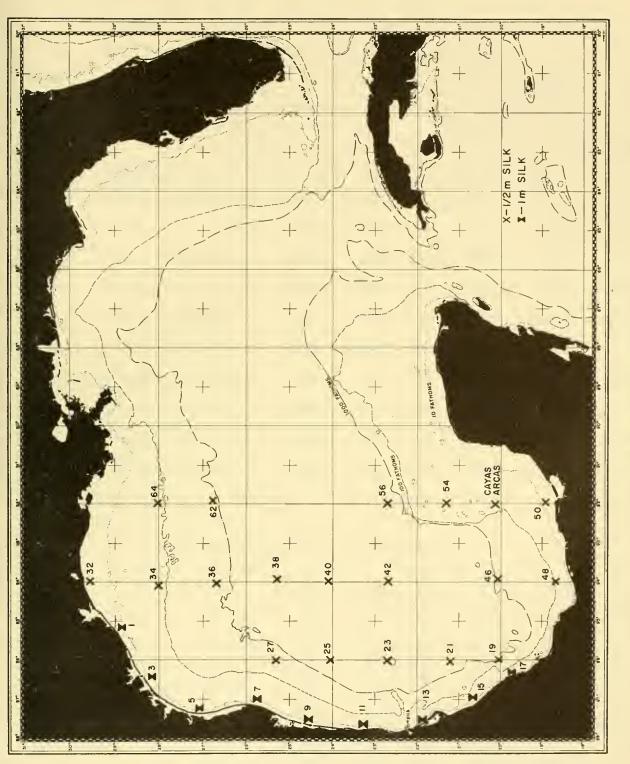


Figure 4.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 2-1B, June 1951. Numbers identify stations.

Table 2.--Station data, plankton volumes and numbers, Cruise 2-1B.

(Half-meter net, 15-minute and half-hour surface tows)

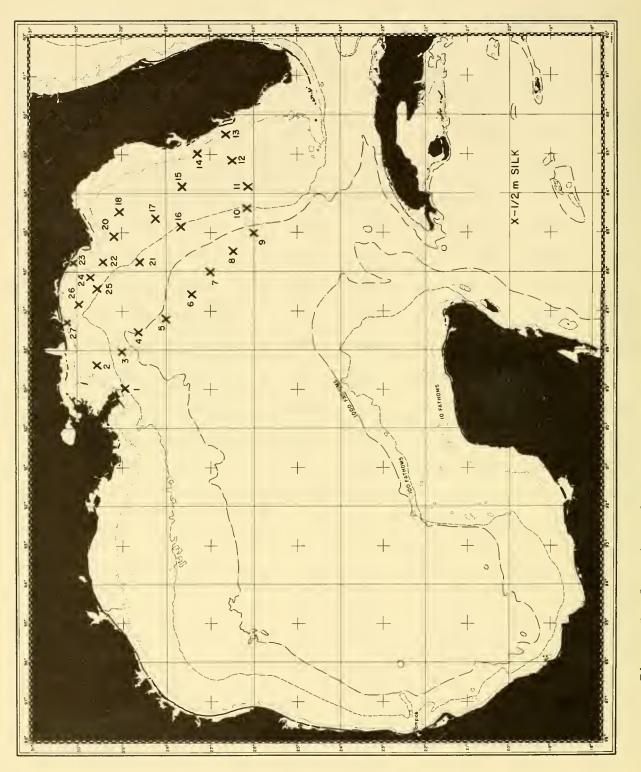
Half-meter net, 15-minute surface tows.

Station		ition W. Long.	Sub- Area	Date 1951	Time (start) C. S. T.	Volume (ml)	Plankton Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
1	28-51	95-12	NW	VI-L	2245*	576.0	0	725
3	28-09	96 - 26	NW	VI-5	0932	32.4	4	105
5	27-04	97 -1 6	NW	VI-5	1940	94.7	2178	PTP
7	25-45	97-00	WC	VI-6	0635	77.0	43	87
9	24-33	97-31	MC	VI-6	1755	57.4	596	3368
11	23-18	9 7- 38	SW	VI-7	0505	49.7	213	458
13	21-53	97-34	SW	VI-7	1840	59.5	185	945
15	20-41	96-58	SW	8-IV	0726	575.0	24	86
17	19-43	96-20	SW	8-IV	1756	59•5	11/3	202
					* 30 minutes	5		
		На	lf-met	er net,	half-hour sur	face tow	s.	
19	20-02	96-00	SW	VI-9	0810	5.5	11	58
51	21-15	96-01	SW	VI-9	2345	25.9	10	8
23	22-42	96-00	SW	VI-10	1700	25.9	9	28
25	24-03	96-01	WC	VI-11	0800	3.5	12	14
27	25- 20	96-00	WC	VI-11	2255*	25.5	10	25
32	29-34	94-00	NW	VI-19	0200 *	92.3	588	39
34	28-00	94-07	NW	VI-19	1515	21.0	10	34

TABLE 2 (Continued)

Station		w. Long.	Sub-	Date 1951	Time (start) C. S. T.	Volume (ml)	Plankton Fish Larvae	Fish Eg	gs
36	26-41	9h - 0h	WC	VI-20	0630	15.0	14	5	
38	25-17	93-58	WC	VI-21	0625	15.5	11	1	
40	24-05	94-00	WC	VI-22	0405*	25.9	31	0	
42	22-110	94-00	SW	VI-22	2220	31.6	42	14	
46	20-04	93-57	SW	VI-24	2020	25.5	22	0	
48	18-40	94-00	SW	VI-25	0830	3.0	18	32	
50	18-55	91-57	Ca	VI-26	0855	72.1	101	65	
ayas Arcas	20-10	92-00	Ca	VI-27	0720	32.8	1 33	980	
54	21-20	91-58	Ca	VI-27	1710	313.0	21	218	
56	22 - 40	92 - 00	Ca	VI-28	0640	15.0	9	9	
62	26-46	91-55	С	VI - 29	1340	20.0	27	14	
64	28-00	92-00	NW	VI-30	0030	66.2	51	138	

^{*15} minutes



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Table 3.--Station data, plankton volumes and numbers, Cruise 3-1C.

(Half-meter net, half-hour surface tows)

Station		ition W. Long.	Sub- Area	Date 1951	Time (start) C. S. T.	Volume	Plankton Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
						(ml)		
1	28-53	89 -0 0	NC	VIII-10	0300	68.6	21	4
2	29-33	88-23	NC	VIII-10	0945	91.6	3	1.0
3	29 -0 0	88-01	NC	VIII-11	. 2213	314.0	0	0
4	28-41	87 - 30	NC	VIII-12	0805	57.4	1 5	62
5	28-00	87-12	NC	VIII-12	1810	33•3	2	0
6	27-27	86-33	NC	VIII-13	0720	52.5	8	18
7	26-59	86-01	SE	VIII-13	2135	45.6	12	1
8	26- 29	85-29	SE	AIII-T	0940	47.1	12	4
9	26-00	85-00	SE	VIII-15	0225	36.5	1 5	1
10	26-10	84-22	SE	VIII-15	0755	29•6	19	88
11	26-09	83-50	SE	VIII -1 5	1340	28.7	7	49
12	26-31	83-10	SE	VIII-16	2045	28•5	52	471
13	26-39	82-31	SE	VIII-17	0240	59.4	78	38
14	27-18	82-58	NE	VIII-17	1050	20.0	30	83
15	27-38	83-51	NE	VIII-17	17 55	34.2	15	13
16	27-42	84-51	NE	VIIJ-18	0100	32.0	11	20
17	28-15	84-41	NE	VIII-18	0635	36. 5	19	38
18	29 - 03	84-27	NE	VIII-18	1350	2.5	5	6
20	29-11	85 - 07	NE	VIII-18	1855	22.0	20	115

TABLE 3 (Continued)

Station	Position		Sub=	Date	Time (start)		Plankton			
	N. Lat.	W. Long.	Area	1951	C. S. T.	Volume (ml)	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs		
21	28-46	85-46	NE	VIII-19	0210	58.0	5	12		
22	29 - 26	85-45	NE	VIII-19	0750	75.1	4	87		
23	3006	85-45	NE	VIII-19	1240	12.5	60	42		
24	29-43	86-10	NC	VIII-20	1230	143.0	5	8		
25	29 - 30	86-28	NC	VIII-20	1558	31.9	0	0		
26	29-57	86-50	NC	VIII-20	1 930	360.0	1	0		
27	30-15	87-17	NC	VIII-21	. 0055	294.5	31	16		

Table 4.--Station data, plankton volumes and numbers, Cruise 4-2A.

(Half-meter net, half-hour surface tows)

Station	ation Position		Sub- Date	Time (start)		Plankton		
	N. Lat.	W. Long.	Area	1952	C. S. T.	Volume (ml)	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
1	26-46	92~00	WC	I - 9	1800	6.0	0	1
6	211-118	90-06	C	I-11	0900	2.4	1	2
7	24-17	89-37	С	I-11	2200	4.8	10	3
8	23-46	88 - 55	Ca	I-12	0635	5.0	29	3
9	23-20	88-23	Ca	I-12	1355	7.2	32	2
10	22-47	88-00	Ca	I=12	1945	3.5	13	8
11	22-20	87-31	Ca	I-13	0135	7 •0	7	40
12	21-52	87 - 05	Ca.	I-13	0815	2.4	11	0
14	21-35	86-27	Ca	I-13	2055	10.0	18	1
15	21-45	86-05	Ca.	1-14	0245	2•6	16	0
16	21-52	85-36	Ca	I=14	0915	2.0	3	1
17	21-54	85-23	Ca	I-14	1435	2.4	0	0
18A	22-01	85 - 00	SE	I -1 5	1130	4.0	2	1
19	22-16	84-54	SE	I -1 5	1945	9.0	3	1
22	24-10	84-11	SE	I - 16	2250	9.0	18	0
23	24-40	83-52	SE	I-17	0450	10.0	11	2
30	23=13	82-22	SE	I 20	0530	8.0	71	10
31	23-16	83-11	SE	I 22	1330	5.4	0	О,

TABLE 4 (Continued)

Station	Position		Sub-	Date	Time (start)	Plankton		
	N. Lat.	W. Long.	Area	1952	C. S. T.	Volume (ml)	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
33	23-32	84-33	SE	I ⇔ 23	0248	12.0	32	6
39	25-37	86 -1 lı	С	I 25	0610	12.0	73	3
40	26-07	86-06	C	I-25	1500	4.0	2	0
41	27-01	85-58	NE	I - 26	0000	12.0	87	3
43	28-11	86-00	NE	I - 26	1515	7.0	0	6
नम	28-12	86-45	NC	I - 26	2318	12.1	25	7
45	28-03	87-27	NC	I-27	0638	8.0	31	5

Figure 6.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 4-2A, January 1952. Numbers identify stations.

Table 5.--Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 4-2A. (G-IA sampler; speed of tows: 9-10 knots)

	Fish Eggs no./m3 water	000•	000*	•026	680°	\$60*	000•	000•	000•	000	000	000•	000°	000 •	000°	760°
11 0 mt + on	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	•022	000•	040•	•025	•073	000•	•031	000•	000°	000°	000°	000•	000*	•103	•225
	Volume ml/m3 water	• 002	910•	£00°	010	910°	9100	•012	•015	018	•013	4010	600°	•022	460°	e20°
	Volume (ml)	0.5	2.0	1.0	6.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.8	3.0	4.2
	Volume water strained in m3	88•95	123.83	151,00	89.81	122,45	125.65	65.49	51.81	55.83	59.68	60•19	90°16	36.11	87.65	53.38
	Depth of tow (m.)	5-6	3-4	<i>w</i>	9	4	9-5	m	9	9	7	2-3	m	9	7	=
	Time (C.S.T.)	0950-1250	1825-2225	0171-0160	0630-0920	1355-1805	1955-0000	2050-2330	0925-1115	1435-1640	0171-8641	2005-2245	1520-1950	0820-1005	1320-1740	0620-0920
	Date 1952	6ªI	or H	I-11	I-12	1-12	I-12	I-13	1-14	1-14	1-15	I~15	1-16	1-17	1-17	I-19
	Sub-	MM	MM	೮	පු	ප්	లే	Ca	ජි	පී	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE
Position (mid-point	tow) We Longe	92-43	91-50	89-52	44 - 88	88-13	44-78	86-15	85~30	85-13	84-59	84-50	84-24	83~15	82-23	82-10
Post (mid=	of N. Late	27-22	26-37	24-30	23-38	23-03	22-33	21-40	21-53	21-54	22-06	22~29	23-50	24-32	24-20	24-24
	Tow	٦	2	М	7	7/	9	10	11	77	13	17	15	16	17	18

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(mid-point	tior poir	4	- de S	+ 2		4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	mo+en omitod	Wit LOW	I Complete Coll	Plankton	Dan Dan
Long. Area	Area	- 1	3 51	75 e	(C.S.T.)	tow (m.)	strained in m3	(m1)	ml/m3 water	rish Larvae no./m3 water	rish Eggs no./m3 water
24-00 82-23 SE I-19	SE		I	0	1500-1700	10	37.42	2.0	• 053	13 4	000•
23-17 82-50 SE I-22	SE		I~22		0728-1100	10	60°05	2.0	0700	070°	000•
23-20 83-32 SE I-22	SE		I=22		1435-1735	6	61.70	1.2	•19h	000 •	000•
23-30 84-58 SE I-23	SE		I-23		0247-0647	2-3	63.77	0.4	•063	•078	000•
23-30 85-38 SE I-23	SE		I-23		1020-1420	6	58.89	2.5	ol₁2	4€0°	000•
23-36 86-40 са I-24	Ca		Ι-2η		0135-0345	8	45.83	0.9	•131	.567	°087
26-42 86-00 C I-25	ပ		I=25		1720-2120	8	90017	2°h	•027	•055	000
27-18 85-55 NE I-26	NE		1-26		0025-0430	8	88.66	2.0	•056	•03h	.011
27-54 85-55 NE I-26	NE		I-26		9161-0460	7-8	79.40	2.0	•025	•025	•025
28-11 86-25 NC I-26	NC		1~26		1550-1925	9	80.01	2.5	•031	.137	0000
28-06 87-05 NC I-27	NC		I-27		2345-0400	9	88-49	12.0	.136	•057	.001
28-00 87-55 NC I-27	NC		I-27		0708-1120	9-10	90.58	4.2	970°	•132	•022
28-09 88-50 NC I-27	NC		1-27		1745-1935	300/4	36.15	7.04	。 124	•221	.083
28-51 94-04 NW I-29	NW		I-29		0745-1130	œ	101-18	4.02	o042	•208	.283

Table 6.--Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 4-2A. (G-III sampler; speed of tows: 4-5 knots)

49		Position								Plankton	
tion		of tow)	Sub- Date		Time	Depth of	Volume water	Volume	Volume		Fish Eggs
	Ne Late	Ne Late We Longe	Area	1752	(C.S.T.)	COW (Me)	strained in m	(11)	mi/m/ water	no./m/ water	no./M/ water
21	23-33	84-31	SE	9 T- I	1425-1455	m	271.43	14.0	•052	181	200•
25	24-33	83-04	SE	1-17	1105-1135	10	240.71	3407	باباده	3.984	1,998
56	24-25	82-25	SE	61 - I	1100-1130	10	187.20	35.7	•190	19901	0000
27	24-15	82-24	SE	1-19	5441-5141	10	181.55	55.1	*30f	1,636	•00%
28	23-49	82-19	SE	1-19	1920-1950	Ħ	276.38	27.02	860	•586	•003
29	23-34	82-21	SE	I=19	2320-2350	П	256.60	28.6	•112	•203	•003
32	23-25	83-54	SE	I-22	1943-2013	н	276.60	24.0	4087	•127	000•
35	23-31	85-59	Ca	I - 23	2712-2171	٣	215.45	30°h	τητ.	- 427	•042
36	23-30	86-42	Ca	I-24	0058-0128	Н	110.04	6°27	.34J	2,056	•021
건	27-36	85-46	NE	1~26	0855-0925	Ψ.	277.0h	28.0	•101	•220	•036

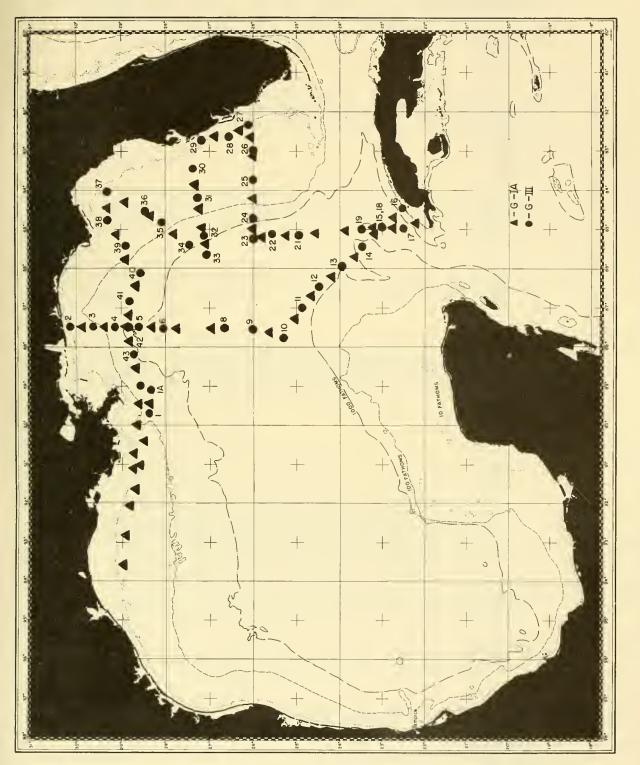


Figure 7.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 5-2C, May-June 1952. Numbers identify stations.

Table 7.--Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 5-2C. (G-IA sampler; speed of tows: 9-10 knots)

	Fish Eggs no./m3 water	£00°	*30f	•279	000•	000•	•017	000•	6¶0°	•030	010°	000•	000•	470°	•032
Plankton	arvae Water	•195	±60€•	• 858	190°	.811	•733	•195	•020	. 530	•109	•172	.165	•162	•310
P1	Volume ml/m3 water	.027	190•	644.	460€	•229	•112	6047	•063	•11.1	•024	•033	•012	•108	•134
	Volume (ml)	3.7	4. 9	22.5	2.8	15.0	7°9	5.6	7°9	14.9	204	10.8	1.6	16.0	20.8
	Volume water strained in m3	138,66	105.13	50.10	81.64	65,38	57.29	118.15	101.05	133.99	100.75	145.39	139.13	148.16	155.04
	Depth of tow (m.)	8	œ	œ	7	٣	10	10	89	œ	12	7	7	ង	W
	Time (C.S.T.)	0625-1025	1038~1538	1605-1808	0140-0525	0220-0520	0641-0921	1220-1503	1800-2100	0210-0610	1100-1700	0210-0605	0955-1355	1725-2115	00/0-0700
	Date 1952	V-21	V-21	V-21	V-22	V-24	V-24	V-24	V-24	V-25	V-25	V-26	V-26	V-26	V~27
	Sub-	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	Ŋ	೮	ပ	ပ
Position (mid-point	of tow)	07-16	91-01	42-06	89-26	87-29	87-29	87-29	87-30	87-31	87-31	87-39	87-18	86-42	86-12
Post (m1d	N. Late	28-42	28~35	28-29	28~22	29-52	29-23	28-53	28-20	27-46	26-58	25-38	25-03	24-40	24-12
	Tow	H	2	3	ব	N	9	7	ω	6	10	12	ET.	71	15

TABLE 7 (Continued)

	Pos	Position mid-point							d,	Plankton	
Tow	of No Late	of tow)	Sub-	Sub- Date Area 1952	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m ³	Volume (m1)	Volume ml/m ³ water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 water
16	23-47	85-142	SE	V-27	0830-1320	12	168,24	1.2	4000	\$900	900°
17	23-11	85-08	SE	V-27	1725~2030	13	145.92	0.4	•027	.14t	000
1.8	22-45	84-42	SE	V-27/28	2315-0400	\mathcal{N}	172.63	1.6	600•	°075	₽\$0°
19	22.13	84-48	SE	V-28	0645-1115	13	161.10	2.h	. 015	890°	•012
20	22-45	84-57	SE	V~28	1600-1800	13	90•50	0.5	900°	000°	000°
21	23413	87-78	SE	V-28	2037-2330	1 0	102,03	9°5	°055	650°	690•
22	23-52	85-02	SE	V ≈ 29	0210-0553	<i>7</i> V	131,19	004	•030	•053	•030
23	24-35	85-07	SE	V ~ 29	5मरा- ५०८०	15	134.43	100	030	•171	•015
24	25-15	85-08	SE	V-29	2171-62/1	15	104-88	4.2	0 1 0°	004.	•019
25	25-47	85-12	SE	V~29	1920-2155	ν.	88,33	24.05	•291	•249	•130
56	26-00	85-118	SE	V-30	0120-0430	70	110.75	11.2	•101	•190	660•
27	26-00	84-11	SE	V-30	0718-1220	13	181.28	2.6	•031	•199	•20h
28	26-00	83-08	SE	V=30	1635-1730	18	26.67	11.2	•420	1.087	1.012
59	26-04	82-38	SE	V≈30	1835~2250	ω	108.30	16.0	841.	1.542	•139
30	26-18	82-28	SE	V=30/31	2300-0135	٣	119,26	8.0	£90°	•268	2,140

TABLE 7 (Continued)

d in	Position (mid-point								Plankton	
of tow)	1.6	Sub-	Date 1952	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m ³	Volume (m1)	Volume m1/m3 water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 water
82-36		S 田	V-31	0250-0605	æ	98.71	14.4L	97۲۰	1.996	•263
B -50		NE	VI-1	0502~0855	12	149.93	25.06	171	1,000	741.
84-28		NE	VITA	1015-1300	15	83.07	0•17	8ħ0°	•313	•036
84-56		NE	VI-I	1315-1535	15	87.18	2.4	•028	191.	000
85-21		NE	VIOL	1800-2020	17	84.15	8•4	£00°	.261	0000
85-06		NE	VI-2	0080-0170	ľΛ	150.27	9°6	790°	°213	.293
84-40		NE	VI-2	0925-1210	13	93.56	20.8	•225	•O43	•620
91-48		NE	VI-2	1530-2040	10	158.50	17.6	111.	•119	•271
84-25		NE	VI~2/3	2225-0215	w	129.02	25.6	198	1,310	1.139
85-06		NE	VI-3	0310-0635	7	117.49	12.8	•109	•128	2,017
95-46		NE	VI-3	0816-1153	20	143.98	74.41	001°	111.	410°
86-26	٠,	NC	VI-3	1320-1605	20	95.58	0.4	240°	η80°	000
87-12		NC	VI-3	1850-2200	12	115.98	₹°9	°055	•207	0017
87-51	-4	NC	VI-l	0105-0500	12	123.44	19.2	156	•251	000°
88-31	_	NC	η – ΙΛ	0730-1145	75	156.63	204	•015	3110	000°

TABLE 7 (Continued)

	Position (mid-point	Position (mid-point								Plank ton	
TOW		of tow)	Sub-	Sub- Date	Time	Depth of	Volume water	Volume	Volume	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
	N. Late	Ne Late We Long. Area 1952 (C.S.T.)	Area	1952	(C.S.T.)	tow (m.)	strained in m3	(m1)	ml/m3 water	(ml) ml/m3 water no./m3 water no./m3 water	no./m3 water
147	47 28-37	89-26	NC	ΥΙΨΊΛ	VI~4 1330~1835	12	183,80	η•9	•035	741.	•016
8 [†] 7	28-40	00-06	NC	η-IΛ	VI-4 1845-2030	\mathcal{N}	57.02	1.6	•028	1,333	•053
611	28-42	90-43	NC	7/1-IV	VI-4/5 2112-0030	w	101,27	3.6	•035	मगा •	971.
20	28-45	91-07	NC	VIS	VI-5 0045-0615	w	183.52	4.05	•025	.501	5.591
51	28-50	92-04	NC	ΔI - Σ	0700-1155	9	151,37	51.2	•338	1,090	•370
52	28-54	92-48	M	VI-5	1210-1730	9	150047	11.2	÷074	971،	1.402
53	28-59	93-36	MN	VI~5	VI-5 1738-2105	9	97.13	8.0	• 082	.154	1.843

Table 8. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 5-2C.

(G-III sampler; speed of tows:

4-5 knots)

no./m2 water Fish Eggs 990 •028 •785 7.002 825 025 800 600 000 **6033** 950 600 •025 014 025 no./m3 water Fish Larvae .110 1,311 **326** 1,900 ·147 **.**129 **280** •556 •269 511 333 11/6 **218** 173 1,215 Plankton ml/m3 water Volume .159 **•123** 0110 **150** 960 **.**058 253 •h93 •089 יוןיי **103** 160° 154 **077 c**097 Volume (ml) 16,91 34.1 0.94 7.96 34.1 24.0 3204 25.6 32.0 25°h 20.8 31.04 16.0 7.2 12.8 strained in m3 Volume water 277.66 219.03 286,22 280.79 201,90 289,18 349.76 209.85 245.57 221,19 2040h2 213,07 218,98 181,94 196,25 Depth of tow (me) 2007 200 200-10 2007 200-002 100 200 2007 1000 2007 2007 200 100 100 30 兄 30-minute tows (start) (C.S.T. 0135 1720 0130 0820 1545 2210 1770 0090 1136 1720 1645 0755 220% 0545 800 1952 Date V-27 V-24 V-24 ν-26 V-26 V-26 V-21 V-22 V-24 V-24 V-25 V-27 V-27 V-27 V-25 Sub-Area SE SE 2 200 NC S NC S 2 SB ပ ပ ပ O C tion N. Lat. W. Long. 87-30 97-18 89-12 87-29 87-29 87-29 87-32 87-32 87-32 87-00 86-28 85-26 89-06 85-57 84-57 Position 28-24 25-19 23-00 29-10 26-40 26-00 24-53 23-28 28-20 30-08 29-38 28-37 28-04 24-28 23-57 Sta-7 10 큐 N 3 ᅿ 3 9 ∞ 9 Ħ 12 5 15

TABLE 8 (Continued)

				30	30-minute tows	8				Plankton	
Sta- tion	No	Position at We Longe	Sub-	Date 1952	Time (start) (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m3	Volume (m1)	Volume ml/m3 water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs noo/m3 water
16	22-33	1	SE	V-28	0090	200→0	243.27	8.3	,034	•243	•288
17	22-32	84-57	SE	V=28	1525	200	269,32	16.1	090•	•260	£00°
18	23-00	84-57	SE	V=28	2000	100-→0	275.06	15.5	950•	•225	410.
19	23~30	85-00	SE	V=29	0135	1000	290.95	14.41	6 [†] 00°	•193	•010
21	21,-56	85-09	SE	V-29	1345	200	290•95	45.3	•156	•203	£00°
22	25 ⊷34	85-07	SE	V=29	1845	100	216.34	36.5	691°	965•	410•
23	26-00	85-15	SE	V-30	900	100	351.43	36.4	*10h	•231	.151
24	26-00	84-44	SE	V=30	0645	250-0	353.20	h9•9	1/110	°555	900°
25	26-00	83=43	SE	V=30	1330	25-40	380.13	3200	480°	•295	•200
56	26-00	83-00	SE	V=30	1800	30	167.77	1,600	.27h	°530	•52h
27	26-07	82-20	SE	V-30	2225	10	154.33	22°h	• 1145	695*	•265
28	26-34	82-36	SE	V=31	0215	10	181.46	34.5	•190	1,350	5.632
29	27-12	82-43	NE	V-31	0645	٧٨	150011	63.2	•h21	996*	1,093
30	27-24	83~26	NE	VIHI	0425	25	265.78	31.4	9110	•3814	•192
31	27-17	84-11	NE	VI-1	0760	10	295.81	45.3	•153	°570	°105
32	27-08	85-07	NE	VIMI	1720	200-20	379.69	31.4	•083	•208	•008

TABLE 8 (Continued)

				30	30-minute tows	13					
					Time					Plankton	
Sta-	Posi	Position		Date	(start)	Depth of	Volume water	Volume	Volume	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
tion	N. Lat.	tion N. Lat. W. Long.	Area	1952	(CoSoTo)	tow (m.)	strained in m3	(교	ml/m water	no./m3 water	no./m3 water
33	27-05	85-40	NE	VI	2317	50	311,26	40°4	•130	1949	•029
34	27-28	85-23	NE	VI-2	0330	20-05	362.03	0.94	•127	•356	800 °
35	28-07	84-50	N E	VI-2	0850	75-30	211.92	17.6	•083	21 45	.193
36	28-30	84-32	an	VI-2	1450	0 ↑ 0 1	255.63	49.1	•192	1,909	£09
37	29-19	84-02	NE	VI-2	2150	15	251.66	0.94	.183	17.787	.787
38	29-19	97-78	NE	VI=3	0235	20	203.09	36•3	•179	2.432	1,659
39	28-54	85-25	NE	VI~3	0737	100	325.83	22.8	0000	•295	0110
140	28-33	90-98	NC	VI-3	1245	100—001	184.55	22.h	.121	η69•	•043
돠	28-48	86-51	NC	VI-3	1815	100-10	373.95	19.2	•051	•198	\$00°
717	28-50	87-30	NC	VI-4	0030	100→0	328.92	19.5	•058	•760	*02f
143	28-14	88-12	NC	νΙ-ή	0990	200—→0	333.33	16.0	8tho.	•100	900°
7	28-35	89-00	NC	VIMI	1300	2000	313.46	19.2	.061	175	900°

Figure 8.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 7 (Special), November 1952. Numbers identify stations.

Table 9. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 7 (Special). (G-IA sampler; speed of tows: 9-10 knots)

	Fish Eggs no./m3 water	.270	•759	.182	900*	900•	0000	0000	000	•058	•091	•025	480€	000	000•	•050
	S _H	.945	.953	3 48	•080	•034	990	1400	•008	9116	.091	₹087	.067	•052	1100	010
Plankton	'[6.	6.		•	Ģ	Ģ	•	•		•	•	•	•		•
	Volume ml/m3 water	•219	091.	9200	400°	9200	890°	•115	£50°	770°	050	•178	404.	3/15	•089	•031
	Volume (ml)	26	19	10	11	11	10	77	7	9	9	21	2ф	52	80	М
	Volume water strained in m ³	118.50	118.57	131.34	148.85	114,60	146.08	121,38	122,65	137.35	120,30	118.25	59•39	75.97	89.53	95.79
	Depth of	15	15	8-10	7	15	15	10	9	15	15	15	æ	9	9	9
	Time (C.S.T.)	7141-7101	1435~1835	1850-2315	2330-0550	5111-5190.	1122-1622	1635-2035	XI-15/16 20µ8-00µ8	0620-1040	1052-1452	1505-1905	1915-2115	2125-0217	0230-0628	0460-9590
	Date 1942	1 =	XI-14	ΧΙ⊶Ί	XI=15	XI=15	XI=15	XI-15	01/5 1- 13	XI=16	XI-16	91 - IX	%I™IX	XI-16/17	XI-17	XI-17
	Sub-	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	SE	SE	SE	SS	SE	SE	SS
Position	of tow)	91-35	90-52	90-06	89-13	88-06	87-18	86-37	86-01	84-20	83-36	82-52	82-25	82~15	82-05	off Sanibel Island
Pos	of of	28-40	28-36	28-22	11-82	27-58	27-49	27-40	27-28	26-58	24-92	26-35	26-34	26-25	26-20	off Sani
	Tow	-	8	ω	7	7/	9	7	∞	6	10	11	12	*	7	15

TABLE 9 (Continued)

	Position	tion							10	2 d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d	
Tow	Of N. Late	(#1d-point of tow) N. Lat. W. Long.	Sub-	Date 1952	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m ³	Volume (ml)	Volume ml/m ³ water	Fish Larvae r no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 water
16	off Sanibel Island	el Island	SE	XI~17	1530-1700	9	34.17	w	971.	000•	000•
	=	2	SS	XI-18	0930-1125	rv.	64.51	29	•683	000°	000
18	26-45	82-35	SE	%I™IX	0830-1230	3-10	124.71	29	,233	0910	•890
13	27-25	82-50	SE	XI~IX	1245-1620	10	106.07	20	•189	950°	1.055
20	76-0h	82-21	SE	XI-23	0615-0715	10	28.57	77	0770	•105	•105
	26-15	82-15	SE	XI-23	0755-1130	10	100,30	16	•160	600.	•119
22	26-20	82-05	SE	XI-23	1220-1320	77	30.85	77	•130	•032	000
	26-15	83-00	SE	XI~23	1515-2330	ľV	239.92	32	.133	290°	\$00¢
24	26-28	83-56	SEX	J-23/24	XI-23/24 2340-0545	6-8	194.59	20	•103	.298	\$210
	26-35	817-178	SE	XI-21;	0001-0090	10	170.69	80	27000	9200	•017
	26-45	85-50	SE	XI-2h	1020-1615	10-12	193.75	70	026	020°	•020
	26-57	86-35	Ö	XI~24	XI~24 1630~2030	80	126.54	œ	•063	0110	• 007
	27-11	87-22	NCX	I~24/25	XI-24/25 2040-0240	M	184.89	114	920•	.081	910
	27-30	88-21	NC	XI-25	0090-0070	Θ.	59.75	11	.18h	•083	000°
	*Half-speed										

Figure 9.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 8, February 1953, and Cruise 9 (Special), March 1953. Numbers identify stations.

Table 10. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 8. (G-IA sampler; speed of tows: 9-10 knots)

Position (mid-point									Plankton	
cf tow) Sub- Date to W. Longo Area 1953	1	1	0 0	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m ³	Volume (ml)	Volume ml/m3 water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m? water
93-55 NW II-12		II-1		1315-1715	7	116.41	8•17	.0h1	•163	.722
93-25 NW II-12		11-12		1725-2055	9	135.31	4.0	•030	•103	•177
92-30 NW II-12/1		11-15/1	~	11-12/13 2235-0405	9	150.47	4.5	•030	60h7	•465
91-50 NC II-13		11-13		0530-0830	ω	86°18	4.5	.053	460°	.141
91-30 NC II-13		II-13		0850-1050	ಐ	57.87	3.0	• 052	•380	.017
90-38 NC II-L3	11-13			1400-2040	10	183.95	10.0	•051	•125	61,4
89-53 NC II-13/14 2212-0245		11-13/14		2212-0245	m	129.42	26.0	•201	1.035	•703
87-13 NC II-14/15 2355-0555		2 51/71-13	CV	355-0555	w	179.37	18.0	0100	•033	.151
86-15 NC II-17 (11-11		0	0722-1052	φ.	105.60	11.0	.10h	.227	.038
85-55 NE II-17	11-17			1105-1255	; œ	53.12	3.0	950°	•075	• 264
85-38 NE II-18	11-18			0950-1250	5-10	86.77	4.5	•052	•519	9ħ0 •
85-21 NE II-18	11-18			1300-1700	10	110.1:4	8.5	.077	181	1.693
84-32 NE II-18/19		11-18/18	0	11-18/19 1825-0115	8-9	145.65	5.0	±034	•027	7,271
83-36 NE II-19		11-19		0725-1025	30	78.66	5.0	050°	•280	1.071
83-22 NE II-19		II-19		11-19 1225-1525	10	69°66	0.3	• 003	•032	,320

TNBLE 10 (Continued)

	Pos.	Position (mid-point								Plankton	
Tow	N. Late	Of tow)	Sub-	1953	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m3	Volume (ml)	Volume ml/m3 water	Fish Larvao no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 water
16	27-53	83-15	NE	61-11	11-19 1531-1931	10	101,29	0.5	\$000	620°	2.1468
17	27-13	83-02	NE	11-19/20	U-19/20 2130-0330	Ŋ	175.33	8.0	9110	.211	•359
1.6	26-26	82-40	SE	11-20	11-20 0515-0930	9	102.53	10.0	.098	•205	· 790
19	26-00	82-20	SE	1.1-20	0940-1220	œ	73.072	0.11	950	860°	1.004
20	25-39	62-0h	SE	11-20	1305-1705	10	118,61	5.6	080	1,80•	.430
21	25-06	82-00	SE	11~50	II-20 1720-1950	٧	70.35	0.6	.128	•128	h•733
22	24-43	82-10	SE.	11 - 22	11-22 1030-1515	٧	61-بايلا	0°6	• 062	920°	6923
23	211-50	82-118	SE	II~2?	11-22 1525-1815	1.0	85.56	0.9	•070	.281	2.606
214	25~12	83-08	SF	11-22/23	11-22/23 1955-0025	\mathcal{V}	134,89	13.0	960*	•082	2.098
25	25-27	83-35	SE	II-23	01/15-061.5	TV.	133.42	12.5	160.	.112	.757
56	25-14	81,-02	SE	11-23	11-23 0850-1150	12	09*16	3.0	•031	•010	.061
27	211-116	84-13	SE	11-23	11-23 13/15-1655	10	87.15	1.0	.011	•023	000
28	24-23	84-47	SE	11-23/24 23	2300-0310	77	11,0.56	2.0	,011,	†71C*	£00°
29	23~50	85~28	SE	11-21;	11-2h 0635-1145	12	11/4.61	3.0	•021	8170°	.02A
30	23-57	85-59	R	11-51	11-21, 131,0-1,750	12	123.39	3.0	•021	°032	000*

TABLE 10 (Continued)

	Pos	Position							p	Dlankton	
Tow	of of	(mid-point of tow)	Sub-	Sub- Date	Time	Depth of	Volume water	Volume	ume	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
	N. Late	W. Long.	Area	Area 1953 (C	(C.S.T.)	tow (m.)	strained in m3	(Lm)	ml/m water	no./m/ water	no./m2 water
31	24~25	46-34	ပ	11-24/25	11-24/25 2125-0035	12	85.38	3.0	•035	740.	.012
32	24-45	41-78	ပ	11-25 03	0350-0810	۱n	130047	3.0	•023	690°	940.
33	25~10	87-44	೮	11-25	11-25 1145-1350	77	61•09	1.0	•017	860•	910*
34	25-34	88-22	ت ت	11-25	11-25 1640-1940	12	83.53	0•9	•072	•539	•012
35	25-50	89-00	O	11-25/26	11-25/26 2205-0120	\mathcal{N}	97.24	7.0	•072	•031	140°
36	26-11	89-35	ပ	11~26 03	0320-0800	70	123.51	7.0	• 057	.138	000°
37	26-31	90-11	Ö	11-26	11-26 1035-1345	10	84.95	2.0	•02h	•024	•012
39	27-15	91-20	NC	11-26/27	11-26/27 2245-0400	8	143.55	211.0	.167	200	200.
140	27-35	91-50	N	11-27	11-27 0631-1001	10	98.75	12.5	.127	Lilo.	• 05:0
17	28-0l ₁	92-26	MM	11-27	11-27 1010-1400	10	115 033	0•6	.078	•139	•139
142	28-29	93~10	MM	11-27	1516-1834	10	135.69	12.0	•088	•560	•766
43	28-40	93-37	MM	11-27	1838-2038	\mathcal{N}	59.11	100	990°	186	2.555
1/1/	29-07	93-56	MN	11-27/28	II-27/28 2255-0120	3	107.33	2.0	•010	•075	•391

Table 11. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 8. (G-III sampler; speed of tows: 4-5 knots)

				30-	30-minute tows Time	10			P.	Plankton	
Sta- tion	N. L	Position at. W. Long.	Sub-	Date 1953	(start) (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m3	Volume (ml)	Volume ml/m ³ water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 water
*	29-05	01-46	NW	11-28	0500	٣	336.42	30.0	.089	669°	•012
73	28~33	83-26	NE	11 - 11	1150	10	245.33	95.0	.387	•183	•289
77	27-35	83-05	NE	61 - 11	2040	٣	309.69	0.64	•158	•297	1.724
13	26-45	82-55	SE	11~20	0640	77	353•89	0.09	•170	•240	•430
17	25-00	81-58	SE	11-20	2100	М	201.00	0•14	•20h	•294	1.065
18	24-52	83-03	SE	11-22	1915	νν	294.19	11.5	.141	•122	•619
13	25-27	83-05	SE	II~23	0110	٣	386.67	62.0	.160	•316	978
50	25-27	84-02	SE	11-23	0815	10-12	289.63	23.0	620•	•193	•021
21	25~00	34-02	SE	11-23	1245	10	369.92	26.5	•072	•027	110•
22	24-36	84-32	SE	11-23	2210	9	265.50	26.5	•100	•045	•030
56	24-35	86-52	Ü	11-25	0315	<i>\(\nu\)</i>	286.53	32.0	.112	•171	•063
27	25-00	87-31	ర	11-25	1010	10	281,18	10.0	•036	•235	.011
28	25-21	88-01	Ö	11-25	1605	10	407.16	20.0	640°	•260	017
29	25-43	0† /- 88	O	11-25	2130	М	405.77	87.5	.201	•113	•190

TABLE 11 (Continued)

				30-	30-minute tows	09			210	Dionita	The state of the s
Sta-	Posi	Position	-qnS		(start)	Depth of	Volume water	Volume	Volume	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
100	Clon No 18 to	We Donge	Area	17.7	(0.00.10)	LOW (III.)	A III CAITEANA	(m.r.)	milia waser	noo/m/ warer	noo/m/ warer
30	25-56	89-17	C,	92-11	0315	8	305.00	0.09	•197	.623	010
31	26-21	89-5h	ပ	11-26	1000	8-10	261,23	20.0	.077	191.	700€
32	26-40	90-30	ပ	71 - 26	1555	10	258,02	0.09	•233	•012	700°
33	27-05	91-06	NC	11-26	2210	т	226,30	35.0	.155	600*	000
34	27-26	91-40	NC	11-27	0090	10	264.43	113.5	•429	•28₽	•015
33	28-21	92-50	NW	1127	1445	10	349.25	45.0	•129	. 598	3,926
36	28-45	93-48	MM	11-27	2120	٣	394.16	19.0	° 048	990°	2,763
*Sta	tion 1 oc	*Station 1 occupied last due to adverse	t due	so adver	se weathor.	0					
					Qua	Qualitative tows	OM S	Volume (ml)		No. of Larvae No. of Eggs	No. of Eggs
~ .	29-06	93-00	MM	11-12	2155	9		19.0		16	530
rv	28-54	90~11	NC	11-13	2140	ς,		33.0		39	18
9	28-55	89-18	NC	II-I	0705	10		144.5		25	21
80	30-95	87-47	NC	91-11	2315	2		22°0		Н	25
6	30-20	86-33	NC	11-11	0650	9		117.0		94	27
10	30-00	85-40	NE	11-17	1330	9		36.0		31	36
11	29-25	35~00	NE	11-18	1745	W		24.0		34	412

Figure 10.--Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 10-2B, April 1953. Numbers identify stations.

Table 12. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruises 9 and 10-2B. (G-IA sampler; speed of tows: 9-10 knots)

	4										
	Fos (mid	Fosition (mid-point							д	Plankton	
TOW	N. Lat.	of tow)	Sub-	Date 1953	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m ³	Volume (m.1)	Volume ml/m3 water	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
							Cruise 9				
٦	29-00	95-00	MN	6-111	1740-2110	80	110,10	0.9	η 50 •	•282	3)15
8	28-20	00-96	MN	OL-III	III-10 0540-0710	ω	59•36	0*9	•101	•118	480.
						o	Cruise 10-2B				
2	26-28	90-16	MC	IV~15	1735-2055	æ	103.47	7.0	.073	•213	7-123
m	25~50	97-02	WC	V-15/16	IV-15/16 2205-0220	т	150.58	12.0	080	, 118	900-6
寸	25-16	4179	WC	17-16	0335~0635	٣	98°19	12,5	76١,	100	
₹.	2h-3h	97-25	O.M.	אנייאד	0011 0080	a			-	T0774	4304
			2	01-47	0077-0000	0	08°66	2,5	•025	T7/2°	•381
9	23-58	97-32	SW	1V-16	1220-1515	8	99.72	3.5	•035	•632	391
7	23-20	97-37	SW	1V=16	IV-16 1635-1.955	Ø	113.63	7,00	035	, Ly9*	1/6
œ	22-38	97-31	SW I	IV-16/17 21	2120-0050	M	11.3.08	ري بره	.031	265	97.
01	21-55	97-11	MS	IVHLT	0170-0710	w	181.5%	0.5	, 10	0 0	0070
0	21-12	5 L- 20	Ę						1700	7777	•380
2	11277	7 (*T)	<u> </u>]. I ∾ I . I	0920-1220	10	97.63	7.0	-041	٥٢١٥•	. 543
TI.	20-48	96-57	SW	IV-17	1335~1800	10	122.68	6.0	640°	•758	.31c
77	20-17	96-35	SW	71-VI	1925-2210	۲۸	93.57	2.5	•027	•235	.52h

TABLE 12 (Continued)

	Pos	Position								Plankton	
TOW	of N. Lat.	of tow) Lat. W. Long.	Sub-	Date 1953	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m3	Volume (ml)	Volume ml/m water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 water
13	21-10	00-96	SW		0830~1245	10	129,89	2.5	•010	-017	0000
177	22-00	00-96	SW	IV-18 15	1525-1825	10	104.16	6.	600*	•020	. 058
15	22-41	00-96	SW	17-18/19	IV-18/19 2135-0105	80	118.19	2.5	.021	•050	540°
16	23-10	00-96	SW	91-VI	0345-0618	N	81.96	3.5	£η0°	860°	0110
17	26-13	00-96	WC	IV-20	1435-1820	10	105.99	3.0	•028	•113	•038
13	26-46	95-55	WC	IV~20	2100-0000	ν.	24°66	3.0	060°	•030	•020
19	27-34	77-56	WC	IV-21	0225-0605	м	121,33	5•5	5ग०•	•025	•058
20	28-02	95-20	MM	IV-21	0805-1125	10	106.25	4.0	•038	.527	• 602
21	28-28	96-50	NW	17-21	1248-1702	10	144.42	80 •	650°	1,115	3•005
22	29~07	93-15	NW II	1-30/06-1	NW IV-30/V-1 2200-0600	٧٠	242.62	21.6	680*	1.884	2,180
23	29~05	92-15	MN	V-1	0610-0920	10	109.74	12.5	,114	•30T	6.238
24	28-110	95-00	NM	V-1	1055-1435	10	108.12	7.5	690•	•435	•953
25	28-05	92-00	WC	V-1	1445-2025	10	157.64	3.0	•010	,111.	•359
56	27-2h	91-59	NC	V-1/2	2215-0345	10	142.17	8.0	950.	£00°	1600

TABLE 12 (Continued)

		.				
	Fish Eggs	no./m/water	•12h	1600	070°	•042
Plankton	Fish Larvae	no./m/ water	980°	• O44	•032	060°
	Volume	ml/m water	•014	•013	900°	•015
	Volume	(m1)	1.5	1.5	1.0	2.5
	Depth of Volume water Volume Volume Fish Larvae Fish Eggs	strained in m	105.06	113.24	124.16	168,60
	Depth of	tow (me)	10	10	10	10
	of tow) Sub- Date Time	(C.S.T.)	NC V-2 0605-1005	1330-1720	0810-1155	V-3 1250-1800
	Date	1953	V-2	V-2	V=23	V=3
	Sub-	Area	NC	ပ	WC	MC
Position (mid-point	tow)	We Longe	91-53	92-00	92-23	92-52
Pos:	of	N. Lat.	27 26-46 91-53	28 26-15	29 26-18	30 26-55
	Tow		27	28	29	30

Table 13. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 10-2B. (G-III sampler; speed of tows: 4-5 knots)

				Time		Volume	Plankton No. of	No. of
Position t. W. I	on We Longe	Sub-Area	Date 1953	(start) (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	ri (III)	Fish Larvae	Fish Eggs
10-16	27	M _C	IV-15	1700	ω	111.0	137	219
96-58	80	WC	IV-15	2130	٣	12°5	368	349
90-16	8	WC	1V-16	0300	٣	5005	509	2668
97-08	90	MC	7V-16	0430	∞	35.0	867	384
97-21	12	MC	91-VI	5711	cc.	15.5	752	2П9
97-30	30	Si	77-16	7600	œ	17.0	6917	323
97-10	0	SW	IV-17	0845	10	15.0	228	337
61-03	20	MS	17-17	1300	10	28.0	9,11	435
Tr -96	ת	SW	JV-17	1850	బ	20.0	1669	137
00-96	S	24	17-13	1450	10	11.0	128	33
00-96	00	MS	1V-13	2105	10	23.0	5.2	Ħ
36-00	8	ŧŝ	1V-19	0313	m	67 5.0	37	5
00-96	00	○	IV-20	2030	m	20°0	31	97
95-58	တ္လ	MIN	IV-21	0150	m	12.5	ω	5 7

TABLE 13 (Continued)

								Plankton	
Station	Position	tion	Sub-Area	Date	Time (start)	Depth of	Volume	No. of Fish	No. of Fish
	N. Late	N. Late We Longe		1953	(C.S.T.)	tow (m.)	(m)	Larvae	Eggs
56	27-55	95-30	NW	IV-21	0800	10	13.0	154	1,02
27	28-10	95~00	NW	IV-21	भ्राट्र	10	19.0	526	1087
27A	74-82	777-776	NW	IV-21	1710	10	36.5	7774	7121
28	29-12	00-76	MM	IV-30	2127	3	177.0	381	128
29	29-01	95~00	MG	IV~31	1005	10	110.0	æ	514
30	28-20	92-00	MM	IV-31	1520	10	20.0	69	138
Special tow	26-32	92-29	WC	V-3	1200	10	20.0	35	56

Figure 11. -- Location of plankton tows made during Cruise 11, May-June 1953. Numbers identify stations.

Table 14. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 11. (G-IA sampler; speed of tows: 9-10 knots)

	Fish Eggs nc./m3 water	5.176	.935	5.234	•255	•297	•651	55.719	1,826	1,183	.683	•788	2,303	4.571	1.160
Plankton	Fish Larvae no.	121	.544	. 155	450°	660°	•320	262	•505	•109	4194	. 215	.361	- 402	.179
P1	Volume ml/m3 water	142°	•325	61/10	4114	770°	.123	011.	•521	121	•127	.172	•144	.110	1910
	Volume (ml)	30.0	55.0	27.0	21.0	10.0	23.0	18.0	82.5	2000	25.0	28.0	28.0	20.0	28.0
	Volume water strained in m3	124.42	169.03	180.74	184.07	228,92	187.41	164.27	158.29	165.69	196.22	162,43	19h.06	181,38	168.01!
	Depth of tow (m.)	15	\mathcal{V}	15	15	15	15	15	15	<i>TV</i>	٧	15	10	ν.	15
	Time (C.S.T.)	1510-2010	V-28/29 2225-0420	0500-1050	1135-1735	1815-2355	0030-0605	0645-1300	1376-1944	2018-0213	0245-0850	0928-1528	1710-2319	2352-0550	0628-1220
	Date 1953	V-27	-28/29	V=29	V-29	₹-29	V-30	V-30	V=30	V-30/31	V-31	V-31	V-31	NE V-31/VI-1 23	<u>r</u> -Iv
	Sub-	M	NW V	MN	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC V	NC	NE	恩	NE V	Æ
Position (mid-point	of tow)	94≈19	93-53	93-01	92-00	91 - 0ħ	90-17	89-14	88-32	87-40	86-38	85-39	84-34	84-12	83-15
Pos.	N. Lat.	29-19	29-14	29-10	28-56	28-36	28-37	28-50	29–35	30-04	30-07	29-41	29-27	28-49	27-58
	Tow	Н	8	М	77	\mathcal{N}	9	7	ω	6	10	H	77	13	77

Position (mid-point	14:	on							P1	Plankton	
ong		Sul	1 8	Sub- Date Area 1953	Time (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (m.)	Volume water strained in m3	Volume (ml)	Volume ml/m3 water	Fish Larvae no./m3 water	Fish Eggs no./m3 vater
27-12 82-44 NE		NE		η-IΛ	1046-1646	70	162,18	25.0	151.	•080	1,085
26-30 82-15 SE		SE		ΛΙ ~ β	1707-2308	w	157.86	22,0	₱139	•82h	1,761
25~50 81~58 SE		SE		VI-1/5	2319-0519	7.	1146.05	21.0	,144.	3.923	6-429
25-08 81-54 SE		SE		VImS	05/17-1053	w	146.25	26.0	.178	1.415	3,323
24-42 82-30 SE		S	(- 1	7-IV	0750-1350	w	186.87	5.0	•027	eη0°	3,1462
24-52 83-33 SE		S	6-3	VI-7	1745-2340	JTV.	150.94	7.0	9ħ0°	•126	•815
25-31 85-21 SE		SI	F-3	VI-8	0654-1254	10	191,12	1.5	900	480€	•078
25-55 86-09 C		O		VI-3	1330-1930	10	191-15	3.5	•018	•251	•026
26-22 86-57 C		O	,	6/8-IV	2007-0207	\mathcal{N}	189.43	11.0	9,058	•121	•053
26-47 87-41 C		O		6 ~ In	1480-1420	w	184.93	5.0	•027	•103	•103
27-15 88-29 NC		N		6-IV	0928-1543	10	194.83	3.5	•018	•103	140.
27-38 89-26 NC		N		6-IA	1620-2220	10	185.32	13.0	0.00	980°	\$000
27-57 90-27 NC		ž		VI-3/10	2252-0452	J.V.	193.51	13.0	290•	171	1.41
27-57 91-40 NC		Ň	()	VI-10	0527-1127	10	195.63	h.0	•050	•169	459°
27-57 92-45 NW		Z	re-	VI-10	1200-1700	10	167,18	7.0	·024	•233	•185
28-02 94-04 M		Z	MM	11/01-11	VI-10/11 2111-0311	ν.	168,38	8.0	740°	•230	994•
28-45 94m14 NW		E	hg.	VI-11	0315-0715	7/	105.49	0.6	\$80.	•683	2.10h
29-13 94-26 NW		艺	-	VI-11	VI-11 0931-1201	70	77.52	2.0	790°	0310	3.070

Table 15. -- Station data, total volumes of plankton and volume of fish larvae and eggs, Cruise 11. (G-III sampler; speed of tows: 4-5 knots)

				30.	30-minute tows			Plankton	
					Time		Volume	No. of	No. of
Tow	Posi No Late	Position to Wo Longo	Sub-area	Date 1953	(start) (C.S.T.)	Depth of tow (mo)	in (ml)	Fish	Fish
П	29-12	93-35	MN	V-29	0430	77	C•1/1	32	265
8	29-07	92 26	MM	63 - 3	1100	15	38.0	31	2850
8	28-46	91-31	NC	V=29	1742	15	28.0	33	34
77	28-42	89-48	NC	V=30	0608	10	63.5	1043	66
ıν	29-07	88-47	NC	v-30	1315	15	18.0	52	26
9	29-59	83-14	NC	V-30	1945	\mathcal{N}	159.0	115	117
2	30-08	87-07	NC	15-11	0215	\mathcal{N}	36.0	22	77
80	29-57	86-09	9N	V=31	0855	15	0.01	63	1
6	29-27	84-10	NE	V-31	1529	10	37.5	27	168
10	29-15	07-01	NE.	V=31	2320	ህላ	60.09	159	623
11	28-23	83-33	E	T-IA	0555	15	40.0	206	2063
1.2	27-33	83-03	NE	L-10	1222	1.0	80.0	350	395
13	27-33	83-03	NE	7-IA	1013	01	110.0	476	353
li	21-13	01-54	<u>ਤ</u> ਿ	S-IA	1043	OT.	0°98	63	23.5
in m	24-37	8300	SE	l.⊸IA	1353	ľΛ	0.0	123	352

TABLE 15 (Continued)

				30-	30-minute tows			Plankton	
					Time		Volume	No. of	No. of
Tow	Position N 12+ 14		Sub-area	Date 1007	(start)	Depth of	#(5	Fish	Fish
	No Lave	We noting		1722	(010000)	COM (III.e.)	(MIL)	rar.væe	1880
16	25-07	84-03	SE	8/L-IV	2344	<i>y</i> v	30.0	32	184
17	25-25	84-55	SE	VI-8	0622	10	31.05	99	204
1.8	25-41	85-45	SE	VI+8	1257	10	13.5	182	39
19	26-08	46-34	ပ	VI -8	1934	у/	0.04	175	17
20	26-36	87-23	ပ	6-IA	0209	٧٠	51.0	89	22
21	27-00	88-00	၁	VI-9	0843	10	10.0	09	77
22	27-27	89-00	NC	6 - IA	1546	10	29•5	145	58
23	27−μ8	89-55	NC	6-IV	2221	᠘	η8•0	84	102
24	27-56	91-06	NC	OT-IA	0455	10	०•ाग	323	95
25	27-56	92-16	MN	VI-10	1128	10	20.0	300	167
56	27-56	93-16	NM	VI-IO	1722	01	33.0	183	102
27	27-55	93-35	MN	VI-10	2040	ν.	28•0	17/17	3795
28	28-24	60-176	NM	VI-II	0313	ъ	0•59	374	118
29	29-07	94-16	MM	VI-11	0858	М	51.0	288	199

TABLE 16 (A)

G-IA Net (Quantitative)

Plankton Volumes (ml./m3)

	0.	-100 fms.		10	00-1000 fi	es.	over	1000 fms	0
Sub-area	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall
NW	•055 (10)	•104 (14)		•009 (2)					
NC	•094 (6)	•142 (17)	•152 (3)	•113 (4)	.061 (11)	·074 (1)	•091 (2)	•054 (4)	•096 (6)
NE	•oho (8)	•146 (11)		.025 (1)	•063 (4)		•056 (1)	*	
WC		•065 (5)			•029 (4)			.008 (1)	
С							.038 (9)	•050 (8)	•063 (1)
Ca	·014			•054 (3)			•015 (1)		
SW		•034 (7)						•023 (4)	
SE	•074 (12)	•135 (10)	•191 (16)	•032 (5)	•015	•047 (1)	•049 (7)	•055 (11)	.026 (1)
Means	•060 (39)	•115 (64)	•185 (19)	•054 (15)	•053 (20)	•961 (2)	•047 (20)	•047 (28)	•083 (8)
All Seasons		.109 (122)			•054 (37)			•052 (56)	

() No. of tows

Winter-12/21-3/20

Spring--3/21-6/20

Fall--9/21-12/20

TABLE 16 (B)

Fish Larvae (no./m³)

		-100 fms.			00-1000 fr			r 1000 fi	
Sub-area	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall
NW	.188 (10)	•493 (14)		.011 (2)					
NC	•316 (6)	• 4 4 4 9	•749 (3)	•102 (4)	•181 (11)	•080 (1)	•095 (2)	•191 (4)	•052 (6)
NE	•176 (8)	•429 (11)		•025 (1)	•187 (4)		.034 (1)		
WC		•696 (5)			•025 (4)			•032 (1)	
С							•115 (9)	•166 (8)	.110 (1)
Ca	•032 (3)			.199 (3)			.000 (1)		
SW		•482 (7)						•066 (4)	
SE	•127 (12)	1.142 (10)	•072 (16)	•046 (5)	•068 (1)	•976 (1)	•025 (7)	•135 (11)	•020 (1)
Means	•174 (39)	•585 (64)	•182 (19)	•085 (15)	.145 (20)	•078 (2)	•072 (20)	•138 (28)	•055 (8)
All Seasons		•391 (122)			•117 (37)			•102 (56)	

Spring--3/21-6/20

Fall--9/21-12/20

TABLE 16 (C)

Fish Eggs (no./m3)

		-100 fms.			00-1000 fi			er 1000 fr	
Sub-area	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall
NW	•593 (10)	2.389 (14)		•000 (2)					
NC	·245	4.002	· 404	•030 (4)	•151 (11)	•006 (1)	•016 (2)	•033 (4)	•004 (6)
NE	1.686 (8)	1.285 (11)		•025 (1)	·077 (4)		·011 (1)		
WC		2 ₀ 006 (5)			(#) •0#0			•040 (1)	
С							•017 (9)	.048 (8)	•007 (1)
Ca	•962 (3)			•029 (3)			•000 (1)		
SW		•482 (7)						•05 2 (4)	
SE	1.125 (12)	1.916 (10)	•166 (16)	•000 (5)	.012 (1)	•017 (1)	•005 (7)	.043 (11)	•020 (1)
Means	•886 (39)	2.301 (64)	•204 (19)	•015 (15)	•107 (20)	•012 (2)	•012 (20)	•0h/4 (28)	•006
All Seasons		1.522 (122)			•065 (37)			•927 (56)	

Spring-3/21-6/20

Fall--9/21-12/20

	0-100	fms.	100-10	000 fms.	over 10	00 fms.
Sub-area	Winter	Spring	Winter	Spring	Winter	Spring
NW	•089 (3)					
NC		•373 (2)	•292 (2)	•092 (9)		•150 (1)
NE	.27 2 (2)	•175 (8)		•105 (2)	•101 (1)	•130 (1)
C					•129 (7)	•111 (5)
Ca			•341 (1)		•141 (1)	
SE	•154 (8)	•173 (4)	•173 (3)	•070 (3)	•079 (3)	•091 (8)
Means	•157 (13)	•203 (14)	.241 (6)	•089 (14)	•114 (12)	•104 (15)
Both Seasons		171 27)		135 (20)		L09 27)

⁽⁾ No. of tows

Spring--3/21-6/20

TABLE 17 (B)

Fish Larvae (no./m³)

	0-100	fms.	100-10	000 fms.	over 10	00 fms.
Sub-area	Winter	Spring	Winter	Spring	Winter	Spring
NW	•454 (3)					
NC		1•558 (2)	•146 (2)	•458 (9)		•129 (1)
NE	•240 (2)	3 . 032 (8)		•282 (2)	•220 (1)	•467 (1)
C					•239 (7)	•390 (5)
Ca			2.056 (1)		•427 (1)	
SE	•854 (8)	•686 (4)	•808 (3)	•238 (3)	•118 (3)	•253 (8)
Means	•667 (13)	2.151 (14)	•795 (6)	•386 (14)	.221 (12)	•305 (15)
Both Seasons		436 27)		509 20)		68

Spring--3/21-6/20

TABLE 17 (C)

Fish Eggs (no./m³)

	0-100	fms.	100-10	000 fms.	over 10	00 fms.
Sub-area	Winter	Spring	Winter	Spring	Winter	Spring
NW	2 . 234 (3)					
NC		3.913 (2)	•008 (2)	•107 (9)		•009 (1)
NE	1.007	•581 (8)		•008 (2)	•036 (1)	•029 (1)
С					.043 (7)	.031 (5)
Ca			•021 (1)		•042 (1)	
SE	•6归 (8)	1.655 (4)	.004 (3)	•106 (3)	•012 (3)	•028 (8)
Means	•988 (13)	1•364 (14)	•008 (6)	•093 (14)	.03l4 (12)	.028 (15)
Both Seasons		183 27)		067 20))31 7)

Spring-3/21-6/20

Table 18.--Catches of G-IA and G-III nets compared, all seasons, all subareas.

Depth	Plankton	(ml./m ³)	Fish Larv	ae (no./m ³)	Fish Eggs	s (no./m ³)
Zone	G-IA	G-III	G-IA	G-III	G-IA	G-III
0-100 fms. Tows	•109 (122)	•171 (27)	•391	1.436	1.522	1.183
100-1000 fms. Tows	•054 (37)	•135 (20)	•117	•509	•065	•067
over 1000 fms. Tows	•052 (56)	•109 (27)	.102	•268	•027	•031

⁽⁾ No. of tows

