

DEVELOPMENT OF THE TUNA FISHERY OF BRAZIL AND PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THE FIRST THREE YEARS' DATA (1)

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This report refers to the long-line tuna fishery of Brazil for the years 1957-1959, and the observations contained in it must be considered somewhat preliminary. Data collected in these three years were analysed for the following information:

1. Area of capture by statistical rectangles.
2. Development of relative indices of abundance in these areas.
3. Fluctuations of abundance, both annually and by seasons.
4. Indications of movements of the fish (as influenced probably by water temperature) based on fluctuations of abundance.
5. Indications of the results of fishing pressure on the stocks.

Before 1956, the tuna fishery of Brazil did not have a specific character. Although the tunas are abundant in waters off Brazil, they were little known and little studied. Small boats fishing with hook and line captured only small quantities, but large schools often were sighted, particularly in the waters of the Northeast, from September to March, every year. The small boats, some of them only rafts ("jangadas") or canoes, are able to fish only very close to the shore.

In 1956, work was started, directed at the possibilities of development of a major tuna

fishery. Two studies were made, by Robert E. Lee, of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (Lee, 1957), and by Hiroshi Nakamura, of the Fisheries Laboratory, Koshi, Japan. Nakamura used the Japanese research vessel *Toko Maru*, contracted from Japan by the Brazilian Government, and began his cruises in December 1956. He found tuna very abundant relative to his previous work in the Pacific.

Thanks to these researches, a commercial-scale fishery was begun, initially by a Japanese company based in Recife, State of Pernambuco. Later this fishery was partially taken over by Brazilian interests, and in 1958 another Japanese company began to fish from a base in Santos, State of São Paulo. The Japanese fleet based in Recife was originally four boats, augmented in 1958 by two more in Recife and two in Santos. In 1961, about a dozen vessels are fishing out of Recife and three out of Santos. All of these boats are of the Japanese long-line type.

This report is confined to the first three years of the fishery. During the last two years, 1960-61, there does not appear to have been any radical change in the fleet or the fishery.

For clarity, the only names used in this report are the English common names; members of the scombrid group are referred to as "tunas" and other fish captured by long-line are referred to separately or grouped as "others". Following is a list, in approximate order of importance, of the scientific names of these fishes, the common names in English, and the names used in Portuguese in the Northeast and in the South of Brazil (but not necessarily in other Portuguese-speaking regions of the world):

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Scientific name	English common name	Portuguese common names	
		Northeast	South
Scombrid group			
<i>Thunnus albacares</i> (Bonnaterre)	Yellowfin	Albacora de laje	Albacora de laje
<i>Thunnus alalunga</i> (Gmelin)	Albacore	Atum	Albacora branca
<i>Thunnus obesus</i> (Lowe)	Bigeye	Albacora branca	
<i>Thunnus thynnus</i> (Linnaeus)	Bluefin	Albacora olho grande	Atum cachorra
Xiphiid and Istiophorid groups			
<i>Xiphias gladius</i> Linnaeus	Swordfish	Espadarte	Espadarte maca
<i>Makaira ampla</i> Poey	Blue marlin	Agulhão negro	Espadarte preto
<i>Makaira albida</i> Poey	White marlin	Agulhão de prata	Espadarte meca
<i>Istiophorus americanus</i> (Cuvier)	Sailfish	Agulhão de vela	Agulhão

In addition to these species, others of lesser commercial importance are captured, including bonitos (*Katsuwonidae*) and mackerels; these are included in "others". Although it is not included in the list, *Thunnus atlanticus* (Lesson) ("Albacora preta"), is occasionally captured; it is grouped with "others". Please note that the scientific names given above and the grouping is solely for the sake of clarity and convenience; no position is taken on the complex problems of the taxonomy and nomenclature of the tunas and their relatives.

Table I shows the relative importance of each species in the capture for the three years. The production is given in numbers of fish captured in each year plus the totals for

ORIGIN AND NATURE OF THE DATA ANALYZED

The fishing data used in this report were originally taken by the captain of each vessel during fishing operations. In addition to recording the latitude and longitude, the captains took meteorological and hydrographic data, notably water temperatures. Numbers of hooks used were also recorded for analysis of units of fishing effort. Copies of the log books were made available to various Brazilian institutions. The number of boats whose data were available for this study was different in different years: 1957, 4; 1958, 8; 1959, 11.

Although the boats are not exactly comparable in size or fishing power, they all use standard Japanese long-line gear and analysis

ANALYSIS OF THE DATA

On the basis of the skippers' log books, monthly tabulations of the catch data and effort were made for each year. The data were divided in statistical rectangles of one degree of longitude by one degree of latitude. Each rectangle is numbered by the longitude on its Eastern edge and the latitude on its Northern edge when it is South of the Equator, on its Southern edge when it is North of the Equator. For example, rectangle 25-01S is limited by the meridians of 25 and 26 degrees W and the parallels of 01 and 02 degrees S, and rectangle 25-01N is limited by the same meridians but by 01 and 02 degrees N. In low latitudes these rectangles are almost exactly 60 by 60 nautical miles, but at the latitude of Santos they are approximately 60 by 55 nautical miles.

Although some longliners can span more than one statistical rectangle with a single setting of their gear, this causes no serious difficulty with this method of analysis. The rectangle to which each set was assigned was the rectangle which included most of the gear.

the three years. In this table, it may be seen that two species of tuna, Yellowfin and Albacore, contribute more than 75% of the catch, while the other dozen or so species contributing make up each only a small part. Yellowfin alone makes up more than 50% of the total capture of all fishes. Considering only the tunas, Yellowfin accounts for about 60%, Albacore about 30%, Bigeye about 6%, and Bluefin about 2%.

The species are not treated separately below because of the preliminary nature of this report. It is believed that a clearer picture can be given in this first analysis by avoiding prolongation and a large number of tables, figures, etc. In future works, the more important species will be dealt with separately.

of the data on a basis of capture per hundred hooks eliminates discrepancies. The logs show that the time the gear is fished is remarkably constant, about six hours. Hence, the basic units used in the following analysis are two: the number of fish captured and the numbers (in hundreds) of hooks used multiplied by the numbers of settings of the fishing gear.

Discussions of the hydrography of the fishing areas are based on Sverdrup, Johnson and Fleming 1942, Fuglister 1957, Emilsson 1959, Metcalf 1960, and Miller 1960, plus unpublished data from the cruises of the *Toko Maru* and the Brazilian Navy's hydrographic vessel *Almirante Saldanha da Gama*.

However, in analysis of the data, the rectangles are grouped into three major regions: *North* (of the Equator); *Central*, between the Equator and 15°S; and *South*. The object of this division is for better understanding of the data; the divisions are more or less arbitrary.

The capture per rectangle, summed by year and region, is presented in Table II and Figure 1. The relative abundance index (capture per 100 hooks) was obtained by dividing the numbers of fishes captured by the numbers of hooks used and multiplying the result by 100, and is also presented in Table II and Figure 2. For Yellowfin, Albacore and Bigeye, the abundance indices were calculated separately and are shown in Table III and Figure 3. In interpretation of Figures 2 and 3, it should be borne in mind that rectangles without symbols indicate areas not fished and not necessarily areas of low abundance.

From Figure 1, it may be seen that the fishery was distributed between 13°N and 31°S. It has extended to the East as far as

2°E, and to the West as far as 53°W North of the Equator and as far as 48°W South of the Equator. However, the fishery has been concentrated from 15°S to 12°N between the meridians of 23°W and 40°W.

Figure 1a and Table IIA show that in 1957 the fishery was concentrated in the North, where about 70% of the fish were captured. The central region contributed the rest. Note further that the number of rectangles fished was greater in the North, even though the home port was in the central region. Also, the number of rectangles with high production was greater in the North.

In 1958, the fishery was concentrated more in the central region (Figure 1b). The production was higher in this region than in the others, although there was evidence of a small isolated area of high production in the South. Table IIB shows the same data in more detail — the Northern region accounted for about 30% of the total, the central for 57%, and the South for 13%.

By 1959 (Table IIC and Figure 1c), the production was about equal in the three regions, each producing 30-35% of the total.

The abundance indices shown in Table II show, however, a different picture:

For 1957 (Table IIA and Figure 2a), the abundance indices are distributed with the most dense region between 3°N and 5°N, and along the parallel of 6°S. The Northern region shows a general index of about 10 and the central about 8.5.

In 1958 (Table IIB and Figure 2b), the central region has the greater number of rectangles with high abundance. In the Northern region, although there are concentrations, the fishery was more disperse. In the Southern region, fished for the first time, there appears to be a belt of high abundance along the coast at a distance of about 150 miles, between 25°S and 31°S. All three regions show a value of about 11 fish per hundred hooks, none much superior to another.

In Figure 2c the highest abundance in the Northern region centers around 10°N by 30°W. In the central region there was a band of high abundance just below the Equator extending from Brazil almost to Africa, with the best fishing results obtained in this region. In the Southern region there appeared to be three more or less separate regions of high abundance, extending South of Santos. The general abundance indices were about 10 for the North, 11 for the central region, and 9 for the South.

Table III gives the capture per hundred

hooks for Yellowfin, Albacore and Bigeye by quarters of the year in statistical rectangles. These species were isolated because of their relative importance to the fishery. It may be seen that for these species during these three years the number captured per hundred hooks varied generally between 1 and 17, with the exception of six rectangles in which more than 17 per hundred hooks were captured and the occasional one where less than one fish was captured per 100 hooks. The average was 8.3.

In the first quarter of 1957 the highest abundance were found in the central region, although the abundance were higher in the Northern region in the second quarter. In the last half of the year, the fishery was localized practically completely between the Equator and 5°N, in the Northern region.

In 1958, in the first half of the year the pattern was similar to 1957, although the number of rectangles fished was smaller. In the latter half of the year in the central region there were only three rectangles with yield higher than 13 per 100 hooks; in the North the centers of abundance seemed much more spread out. It was in this year that the first attempts were made in the Southern region, but the abundance figures were low.

In 1959, in the first and second quarters, there was no fishery in the Northern region. In the central region the highest abundance was just below the Equator. Abundance was still low in the Southern region. Toward the end of the year the fishery was concentrated in the North and toward the end of the year there was a concentration of good fishing in this area.

Considering only the four tuna species, the abundance and effort data for the three years (Table III) are as follows:

Year	Effort (100's of hooks)	Abundance
1957	1704	7.3
1958	3624	8.8
1959	3792	6.5

While this is much too short a series of data on which to base firm conclusions, there does not appear to be a strong relation between effort and abundance, particularly when it is considered that up to 20 percent variation in tuna abundance figures can be normally expected in the same area from year to year (Nankai Regional Fisheries Laboratory, 1959). Thus, the effects of fishing pressure on the stocks may well be slight, or even negligible.

CONSIDERATION OF HYDROGRAPHIC CONDITIONS AND DISCUSSION

Thus it may be seen, the distribution of abundance varied widely, changing both in

time and in space. One area is different from another, and in the same area there are large

differences in different periods of the year. Undoubtedly one of the influences causing these changes is change in the environment. To attempt to analyze this, hydrographic data were analyzed by quarters, roughly corresponding to the seasons of the year. (Of course seasonal changes in the Equatorial region are not as well marked as in higher latitudes.) Looking at these data, the following generalizations may be made:

First quarter (Summer) — In this period, the principal region of the fisheries was the central, with two concentrations, one near 6°S and the other just below the Equator. In both of these the surface temperatures taken by fishing boats were 27°-28° C (Figure 3a). In this region, the temperature never goes below about 25° to a depth of 100 meters (Emilsson 1959), and the hooks of the long-lines are confined to this water, usually fishing between 50 and 80 meters.

At the same time, the temperature in the Northern and Southern regions were between 24° and 28°, and the abundance of tunas was medium to low. Research vessel temperatures taken in the same period generally confirm the fishing boat temperatures, but outside of the fishing areas temperatures from 27° to 28° were found in all three regions. It should be noted that these data refer only to certain parts of the regions and that they were collected only in February and March.

Second quarter (Autumn) — Here, as in the first quarter, the highest abundances are found in the central region. Note that they now are concentrated further offshore corresponding, it appears, to a water mass with a temperature of 28°. The abundance in the Northern region is seen to increase and the temperature in the fishing areas varies between 27°-28°. In the South, where the temperatures are between 25°-27°, the abundances of tuna are much lower.

Third quarter (Winter) — During this period, the highest indices of abundance are in the Northern region, where the temperatures are 27°-28°. In the central region the abundance is lower and the temperatures as low as 26°. In the South, where the temperatures were generally 25°-26°, the abundance is low, but there are on record two exceptional causes of high capture per unit effort when the temperature was only 22°. In these areas at this time, however, Albacore was the pre-

dominant species, contrary to the usual pattern.

Fourth quarter (Spring) — The highest abundance of fish is found just North of the Equator (Figure 3d). In retrospect, it now seems that this corresponds to the same concentration which can be seen gradually moving North, probably in response to changing hydrographic conditions in the second and third quarters. Even now, the highest concentrations in the central region are in its Northern part. Where the high abundances of fish are found the temperatures are 27°-28° in the Northern region and 26°-27° in the central.

At the present stage of knowledge of the ecology of the tunas as revealed by the Brazilian fishery, a great deal remains to be investigated, particularly as regards the relations between the distribution of the fishes and hydrographic conditions. It is interesting to note, nonetheless, the rather close correspondence between the abundance of the tunas and the current pattern prevailing off Brazil's Easternmost bulge, Cape São Roque. At or near this cape, the Westerly flowing South Equatorial Current divides, part of it turning South to become the warm Brazil Current and extending in some years at least as far South as the River Plate estuary, and part of it flowing along Brazil's Northern coast and eventually into the Caribbean (Sverdrup, Johnson and Fleming 1942, Emilsson 1959). It was extended Eastward the extension was fishery took place almost, if not entirely, within this current system, and in 1959 when it was extended Eastward the extension was along the path of the South Equatorial Current.

Since the main contributor to the South Equatorial Current is the Benguela Current flowing Northerly along the West coast of Africa, and since the tuna fishery along the shores of Angola is dependent on the same species in approximately the same order of importance (Vilela and Monteiro 1959) there is more than a suggestion that the tuna fisheries of Western Africa and Eastern South America may be prosecuted on the same stocks of fish. Of course, special studies, such as marking experiments, would be required to establish this, but the question is important from the point of view of eventual management of either or both of these fisheries.

CONCLUSIONS

1. In the North and central regions, the best fishing occurs in the third quarter of the year.
2. In the Southern region, the best fishing occurs in the first and third quarters.
3. The average abundance for the whole

area for the three years was 10 fishes per hundred hooks. This is a high value compared to Japanese captures in the Pacific, which run 7-8 fishes per hundred hooks (Nankai Regional Fisheries Laboratory, 1959; *Toko Maru* report unpub.). Even when all other

species are disregarded, the combined catches of Yellowfin, Albacore, Bigeye and Bluefin run over 8 fishes per 100 hooks.

4. For the four tuna species, the abundance and effort data show no clearcut effect of the fishery on the stocks.

5. Generally, the best catches correspond to the highest temperatures in the regions fished.

6. If the high temperature-high abun-

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RESUMO

O presente relatório tem como finalidade fazer uma apreciação dos primeiros dados coletados na pesca de *long-line* no Atlântico Sul entre as latitudes 15°N e 31°S, durante os anos de 1957 a 1959.

A produção é dada em termos de número de peixes capturados em cada área de um grau de lado.

Para cada uma destas áreas foi extraído também um número através da captura por centenas de anzóis empregados. Este número, ou índice de densidade relativa, nos serviu

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dance relation holds up, there is reason to believe that the high temperatures recorded by research vessels outside the fishing areas, particularly in the first quarter, may be indications of rich unexploited fishing grounds.

7. The fishery is closely related to the current system of the Equatorial Atlantic.

8. Special studies, such as marking, are indicated to determine the relations, if any, of these tuna stocks to those of West Africa.

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para comparar áreas entre si e determinar os locais mais densos em cada região.

Para as espécies Albacora de laje, Albacora branca e Atum cachorra (ôlho grande), os dados de densidade são apreciados por trimestre de cada ano. Também estão todos englobados em períodos, a fim de se observar a relação entre temperatura da água e produtividade das áreas em cada período, que deve corresponder a uma estação do ano.

Portanto, as comparações têm por objetivo indicar em que época do ano, em que locais e a que temperaturas correspondem os melhores rendimentos.

TABLE I — Summary of annual capture of tunas and other species (in numbers) by Brazilian long-liners, 1957 — 1959

Year	TUNAS				TOTAL TUNAS	OTHER SPECIES						TOTAL	TOTALS		
	Yellowfin	Albacore	Big-eye	Bluefin		Blue Marlin	White Marlin	Sword-fish	Sail-fish	Sharks	Others		No. of fishes	No. of hooks	No. per 100 hooks
1957	25,206	15,732	2,134	—	43,072	2,527	133	—	980	—	1,101	4,741	5173.6	9.2	
1958	26,192	14,265	2,846	29	43,332	1,212	740	2,747	618	2,147	1,960	9,424	4687.7	11.2	
1959	31,058	11,960	2,737	224	45,979	1,800	1,418	5,668	493	3,097	1,847	14,323	6060.7	9.9	
TOTAL	82,456	41,957	7,717	253	132,383	5,539	2,291	8,415	2,091	5,244	4,908	28,488	15922.0	10.1	

TABLE II — Capture of fish (in numbers) by statistical rectangles, 1957-1959, number of hooks, capture per 100 hooks.

TABLE II-A — 1957

Rectangles	Number captured	Hundreds of hooks	Number per 100 hooks	Rectangles	Number captured	Hundreds of hooks	Number per 100 hooks
NORTHERN REGION				NORTHERN REGION			
17-03N	71	15,0	4,7	42-04N	93	15,8	5,9
17-04N	650	48,4	13,4	42-05N	483	77,1	6,3
18-02N	803	78,2	10,3	44-06N	68	14,0	4,8
20-03N	422	53,2	7,9	47-07N	51	13,3	3,8
20-04N	696	58,4	11,9	49-08N	101	14,0	7,2
23-03N	378	51,8	7,3	49-09N	92	14,0	6,6
23-04N	94	10,7	8,8	50-09N	132	28,0	4,7
24-03N	1067	113,8	9,4	19-02N	860	86,2	10,0
24-04N	194	25,0	7,8	31-02N	646	64,4	10,0
24-05N	252	26,2	9,6	33-03N	107	16,5	6,5
25-02N	62	8,8	7,0	37-01N	261	36,6	7,1
25-03N	741	72,4	10,2	38-04N	134	16,0	8,4
26-02N	118	12,9	9,1	CENTRAL REGION			
26-03N	542	62,4	8,7	26-05S	702	64,8	10,8
26-05N	304	34,6	8,8	26-06S	1002	71,2	14,1
26-06N	134	15,6	8,6	27-05S	388	32,0	12,1
27-03N	184	17,2	10,7	27-06S	415	25,0	16,6
27-05N	563	54,8	10,3	27-07S	121	17,9	6,8
28-00N	90	15,3	5,9	27-11S	61	16,9	3,6
28-01N	93	15,3	6,1	28-00S	87	20,5	4,2
28-02N	96	17,2	5,6	28-04S	221	26,5	8,3
28-03N	1372	102,0	13,4	28-05S	204	39,9	5,1
28-06N	179	19,0	9,4	28-06S	307	32,9	9,3
29-00N	49	15,7	3,1	29-04S	313	46,6	6,7
29-01N	104	17,2	6,0	29-05S	1424	191,7	7,4
29-03N	209	17,2	12,1	30-04S	28	13,4	2,1
29-04N	234	32,8	7,1	30-05S	153	9,8	15,6
30-03N	180	14,8	12,2	30-06S	70	18,0	3,9
30-04N	84	14,0	6,0	30-07S	1428	157,3	9,1
31-01N	397	56,8	7,0	30-08S	859	122,4	7,0
31-03N	194	29,2	6,6	30-09S	157	20,3	7,7
31-04N	128	30,3	4,2	30-11S	673	62,2	10,8
31-05N	54	16,5	3,3	30-12S	166	16,0	10,4
32-01N	229	26,4	8,7	31-07S	228	35,5	6,4
32-03N	321	34,2	9,4	31-09S	462	61,5	7,5
32-04N	205	31,8	6,4	31-10S	1593	174,6	9,1
33-01N	162	29,3	5,5	31-11S	508	60,0	8,5
33-02N	98	12,8	7,7	31-12S	543	48,0	11,3
34-02N	101	16,0	6,3	32-08S	446	81,0	5,5
34-03N	67	12,8	5,2	32-09S	708	91,5	7,7
34-05N	173	33,0	5,2	32-10S	522	70,8	7,4
35-01N	252	32,0	7,9	32-11S	166	16,0	10,4
35-02N	1141	125,2	9,1	33-09S	152	16,0	9,5
35-03N	741	55,2	13,4	33-10S	184	29,0	6,3
35-04N	80	16,0	5,0	34-11S	102	14,5	7,0
35-05N	129	16,5	7,8	RECAPITULATION			
36-00N	316	33,0	9,6	<i>Northern:</i>			
36-01N	1858	176,9	10,5	Number captured			33420
36-02N	1075	130,1	8,3	Hundreds of hooks			3469,7
36-03N	3427	239,4	14,3	Nº per 100 hooks			9,6
36-04N	2425	208,3	11,6	<i>Central :</i>			
36-05N	345	48,0	7,2	Number captured			14393
37-02N	434	65,4	6,6	Hundreds of hooks			1703,8
37-03N	1418	130,4	10,9	Nº per 100 hooks			8,4
37-04N	1797	119,2	15,1				
38-03N	690	77,6	8,9				
39-02N	157	15,2	10,3				
39-03N	579	58,3	9,9				
39-04N	390	29,6	13,2				
40-04N	545	68,3	8,0				
41-04N	141	14,4	9,8				
41-05N	358	45,7	7,8				

TABLE II — Capture of fish (in numbers) by statistical rectangles, 1957-1959, number of hooks, capture per 100 hooks.

TABLE II-B — 1958

Rectangles	Number captured	Hundreds of hooks	Number per 100 hooks	Rectangles	Number captured	Hundreds of hooks	Number per 100 hooks
NORTHERN REGION				CENTRAL REGION			
28—03N	111	18,0	6,2	31—07S	227	25,8	8,8
28—08N	207	24,7	8,4	31—08S	140	12,9	10,8
34—03N	1.116	112,0	9,9	31—09S	91	15,9	5,7
29—03N	492	54,0	9,1	31—10S	245	29,5	8,3
30—02N	112	36,0	3,1	31—11S	112	13,2	8,5
31—04N	113	10,4	10,9	32—02S	73	13,2	5,5
35—02N	115	16,0	7,2	32—05S	91	13,2	6,9
36—01N	145	16,0	9,1	32—06S	83	13,2	6,3
36—03N	238	31,0	7,7	32—08S	1.057	113,4	9,3
38—02N	1.020	79,0	12,9	32—09S	689	92,4	7,4
38—03N	1.254	119,7	10,5	32—10S	292	39,9	7,3
38—04N	590	74,5	7,9	33—00S	198	26,4	7,5
38—05N	674	49,0	13,7	33—08S	91	13,6	6,7
37—02N	208	32,0	6,5	33—09S	228	26,4	8,6
29—09N	1.024	53,5	19,1	33—10S	121	26,1	4,6
27—09N	554	44,6	12,4	34—00S	94	10,0	9,4
28—09N	1.602	97,1	16,5	34—02S	228	25,0	9,1
33—03N	274	32,0	8,6	34—03S	94	25,0	3,8
37—01N	74	13,2	5,6	35—00S	181	25,6	7,1
37—03N	160	16,0	10,0	35—02S	1.119	131,0	8,5
37—04N	1.430	96,0	14,9	35—03S	209	37,5	5,6
37—05N	135	7,5	18,0	35—12S	73	12,5	5,8
39—01N	280	16,0	17,5	36—00S	1.426	117,2	12,2
39—02N	333	32,0	10,4	36—01S	167	13,9	12,0
39—04N	95	13,2	7,2	36—03S	52	12,5	4,2
40—08N	180	16,8	10,7	36—12S	67	13,8	4,8
43—06N	57	8,4	6,8	37—00S	2.112	178,5	11,8
46—05N	248	24,3	10,2	37—02S	946	69,5	13,6
51—08N	162	8,4	19,3				
52—08N	484	31,8	15,2	SOUTHERN REGION			
52—09N	114	7,9	14,4	34—20S	175	17,0	10,3
CENTRAL REGION				35—20S	165	18,0	9,2
24—01S	339	33,0	10,3	36—16S	152	16,0	9,5
24—05S	176	16,0	11,0	41—27S	52	11,2	4,6
25—00S	364	34,0	10,7	42—27S	261	32,0	8,1
25—01S	168	17,0	9,9	43—27S	274	33,2	8,2
26—05S	109	17,0	6,4	43—28S	63	11,0	5,7
27—03S	121	13,2	9,2	44—25S	2.013	121,0	16,6
27—04S	299	26,4	11,3	44—26S	2.467	204,2	12,1
27—05S	99	17,0	5,8	44—28S	127	10,2	12,4
27—06S	126	11,0	11,4	45—26S	721	80,0	9,0
28—01S	104	13,2	7,9	45—27S	324	32,8	9,9
28—02S	103	13,2	7,8	45—28S	91	9,6	9,5
28—03S	682	67,2	10,1	46—28S	114	8,6	13,2
28—04S	152	17,0	8,9	46—30S	109	8,6	12,7
28—05S	398	39,6	10,0	47—29S	105	8,6	12,2
28—06S	845	75,7	11,2	47—30S	199	17,2	11,6
28—07S	177	16,0	11,1				
28—08S	284	16,0	9,3	RECAPITULATION			
29—02S	168	18,0	8,9	NORTHERN REGION			
29—03S	319	36,0	7,8	Number captured	13.601		
29—05S	125	16,0	13,3	Hundreds of hooks	1.191,0		
29—06S	511	38,5	13,3	Number per 100 hooks	11,4		
29—07S	1.053	79,1	12,0	CENTRAL REGION			
29—08S	586	48,9	12,6	Number captured	31.743		
29—09S	482	38,3	14,7	Hundreds of hooks	2.857,3		
30—02S	530	36,0	16,0	Number per 100 hooks	11,1		
30—04S	999	62,4	13,8	SOUTHERN REGION			
30—05S	5.779	419,5	13,2	Number captured	7.412		
30—06S	3.330	251,9	10,9	Hundreds of hooks	639,2		
30—07S	136	12,5	8,0	Number per 100 hooks	11,6		
30—08S	104	13,0	12,8				
30—09S	168	13,1	7,7				
30—12S	97	12,6	5,2				
31—04S	83	17,7	18,4				
31—05S	590	32,0	16,0				
31—06S	1.631	123,9	13,2				

TABLE II — Capture of fish (in numbers) by statistical rectangles, 1957-1959, number of hooks, capture per 100 hooks.

TABLE II-C — 1959

Rectangles	Number captured	Hundreds of hooks	Number per 100 hooks	Rectangles	Number captured	Hundreds of hooks	Number per 100 hooks
NORTHERN REGION				CENTRAL REGION			
23-09N	110	17.0	6.5	30-03S	191	38.6	4.9
23-10N	525	72.0	7.3	30-04S	18	9.6	1.9
24-10N	330	36.0	9.2	30-07S	110	10.8	1.0
25-10N	105	17.0	6.2	30-08S	69	10.0	6.9
26-08N	700	48.8	14.3	31-02S	41	9.6	4.3
26-09N	474	32.4	14.6	31-03S	375	56.0	6.7
26-10N	480	49.0	9.8	31-04S	90	14.0	6.4
26-12N	174	16.0	10.9	31-08S	629	43.2	14.6
27-09N	187	16.0	11.7	32-04S	1,077	84.6	12.7
27-10N	191	16.0	11.9	32-05S	166	24.0	6.9
27-11N	1,143	80.8	14.1	32-06S	309	41.2	7.5
27-12N	3,118	220.6	14.1	32-07S	686	57.4	11.9
28-10N	1,103	80.8	13.6	32-08S	234	31.4	7.4
28-11N	1,185	78.8	15.0	33-02S	45	10.0	4.5
28-12N	1,376	95.4	14.4	33-03S	69	10.0	6.9
29-00N	35	19.0	1.8	33-04S	260	26.0	10.0
29-05N	130	18.0	7.2	33-06S	1,708	191.0	8.9
29-06N	86	18.0	4.8	33-07S	1,549	137.4	11.3
29-08N	210	18.0	11.7	34-03S	164	22.2	7.4
29-09N	190	18.0	10.5	34-04S	118	25.6	4.6
29-11N	736	68.8	10.7	35-01S	59	9.6	6.1
30-00N	200	36.0	5.5	35-02S	43	9.6	4.5
30-01N	160	18.0	8.9	35-03S	131	29.2	4.5
30-01N	160	18.0	8.9	40-00S	41	10.4	3.9
30-05N	610	72.0	8.5	SOUTHERN REGION			
31-02N	220	56.0	3.9	30-22S	28	10.5	2.7
31-08N	295	18.0	16.4	31-19S	132	12.0	11.0
31-09N	1,203	118.0	10.2	32-18S	996	84.0	11.8
32-01N	50	19.0	2.6	32-19S	630	48.0	13.1
32-05N	484	72.0	6.7	35-19S	167	20.0	8.3
32-08N	170	18.0	9.4	35-20S	45	12.2	3.7
32-09N	2,091	157.6	13.3	35-21S	136	21.2	6.4
33-03N	70	18.0	3.9	36-17S	527	84.2	6.2
33-04N	80	18.0	4.4	36-18S	247	36.6	6.7
33-05N	80	18.0	4.4	36-19S	90	11.0	8.2
33-07N	67	18.0	3.7	36-20S	591	79.4	7.4
33-08N	575	54.0	10.6	36-21S	289	46.3	6.2
33-09N	305	36.0	8.5	37-20S	184	23.4	7.9
34-04N	60	18.0	3.3	37-21S	204	33.3	6.1
34-05N	410	54.0	7.6	38-21S	128	24.0	5.3
34-06N	65	18.0	3.6	38-22S	77	10.2	7.5
35-05N	160	36.0	4.4	39-21S	46	11.0	4.2
36-03N	51	18.0	2.8	39-23S	66	10.2	6.5
35-07N	71	15.8	4.5	39-24S	122	20.0	6.1
34-09N	183	15.6	11.7	39-25S	52	10.2	5.1
32-10N	983	85.6	11.5	40-23S	575	92.3	6.2
38-03N	60	16.0	3.7	40-24S	2,355	320.6	7.3
39-04N	84	16.0	5.2	40-25S	265	75.6	3.5
40-03N	55	18.0	3.0	41-24S	649	45.0	14.4
40-04N	125	36.0	3.5	41-25S	56	10.0	5.6
40-05N	15	18.0	0.8	42-25S	65	11.6	5.6
CENTRAL REGION				43-25S	49	11.4	4.3
02-00S	303	15.2	19.9	44-25S	8,469	723.9	11.7
02-01S	380	32.0	11.9	44-26S	1,571	140.6	11.2
03-00S	615	62.4	9.8	44-27S	81	14.9	5.4
03-01S	657	48.0	13.7	45-25S	116	19.2	6.0
04-00S	156	16.0	9.7	45-26S	257	20.8	12.3
04-01S	219	16.0	13.7	45-27S	46	10.2	4.5
05-00S	287	24.0	11.9	RECAPITULATION			
05-01S	590	46.0	12.8	NORTHERN REGION			
05-02S	298	15.2	19.6	Number captured	21,570		
16-00S	57	16.0	3.6	Hundreds of hooks	2,148.0		
18-00S	1,617	115.0	14.1	Number per 100 hooks	10.0		
18-01S	1,194	102.5	11.6	CENTRAL REGION			
18-02S	440	33.5	13.1	Number captured	19,421		
18-03S	55	7.8	7.0	Hundreds of hooks	1,808.8		
20-03S	90	11.0	8.2	Number per 100 hooks	10.7		
23-02S	955	47.4	20.1	SOUTHERN REGION			
23-03S	2,192	130.6	16.8	Number captured	19,311		
24-03S	260	15.4	16.9	Hundreds of hooks	2,103.8		
25-10S	55	10.4	5.3	Number per 100 hooks	9.2		
25-11S	53	9.6	2.4				
26-10S	288	48.4	5.9				
26-11S	118	18.4	6.4				
27-08S	120	17.0	7.0				
27-10S	211	29.6	7.1				
29-01S	59	10.0	5.9				

TABLE III-A — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1957.
North Latitude

Quarters	Rectangles															
	17—03	17—04	18—02	19—02	20—03	20—04	23—03	23—04	24—03	24—04	24—05	25—02	25—03	26—02	26—03	26—05
First	Catch data															
	Fishes															
	Hundreds of hooks															
Second	Index of abundance															
	Fishes															
	Hundreds of hooks															
Third	Index of abundance															
	Fishes															
	Hundreds of hooks															
Fourth	Index of abundance															
	Fishes															
	Hundreds of hooks															
Annual total per rectangle	Number of fish															
	Hundreds of hooks															
	Average															

TABLE III-A — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1957. (continued)
North Latitude

26—06	27—03	27—05	28—00	28—03	28—02	28—03	28—06	29—00	29—01	29—03	29—04	30—03	30—04	31—01	31—02	31—03	31—04	31—05	32—01
124	—	529	88	—	—	—	168	49	—	—	75	—	—	—	—	—	68	—	—
15.6	—	54.8	15.3	—	—	—	19.0	15.7	—	—	15.6	—	—	—	—	—	13.8	—	—
7.9	—	9.6	5.7	—	—	—	8.8	3.1	—	—	4.8	—	—	—	—	—	4.9	—	—
—	170	—	—	—	85	1289	—	—	75	200	144	171	80	105	—	—	—	—	—
—	17.2	—	—	—	17.2	102.0	—	—	17.2	17.2	17.2	14.8	14.0	17.2	—	—	—	—	—
—	9.9	—	—	—	4.9	12.6	—	—	4.4	11.6	8.4	11.5	5.7	6.1	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.2	—	—	52	49	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.8	—	—	16.5	16.5	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.1	3.0	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	223	531	141	—	—	212
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26.4	64.4	16.0	—	—	26.4
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.4	8.2	8.8	—	—	8.0
124	170	529	88	88	85	1289	168	49	75	200	219	171	80	352	531	189	120	49	212
15.6	17.2	54.8	15.3	15.3	17.2	102.0	19.0	15.7	17.2	17.2	32.8	14.8	14.0	56.8	64.4	29.2	30.3	16.5	26.4
7.9	9.9	9.6	5.7	5.7	4.9	12.6	8.8	3.1	4.4	11.6	6.7	11.5	5.7	6.2	8.2	6.5	4.0	3.0	8.0

TABLE III-A — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1957. (continued)

North Latitude		32-03	32-04	33-01	33-02	33-05	34-02	34-03	34-05	35-01	35-02	35-03	35-04	35-05	36-00	36-01	36-02	36-03	36-04	36-05	37-01	
			87																175			
			15.3																43.1			
			5.7																4.1			
				61											102	101.4			432			
				16.5											16.5	97.3			33.2			
				3.7											6.2	10.4			13.0			
			109			95			151	112	166		76	121	211		194	1334	1470	295		
			16.5			16.5			33.0	16.0	32.0		16.0	16.5	16.5		16.5	116.2	116.0	48.0		
			6.6			5.7			4.6	7.0	5.2		4.7	7.3	12.8		11.7	11.5	12.7	6.1		
201				96	96		96	66		134	927	725				605	752	2009	168		193	
34.2				12.8	12.8		16.0	12.8		16.0	93.2	55.2				79.6	113.6	123.2	16.0		36.6	
5.9				7.5	7.5		6.0	5.1		8.4	9.9	13.1				7.6	6.6	16.3	10.5		5.3	
201	196	157	96	96	95	95	96	66	151	246	1093	725	76	121	313	1619	946	3343	2245	295	193	
34.2	31.8	29.3	12.8	16.5	16.5	16.0	16.0	12.8	33.0	32.0	125.2	55.2	16.0	16.5	33.0	176.9	130.1	239.4	208.3	48.0	36.6	
5.9	6.2	5.3	7.5	5.7	5.7	6.0	6.0	5.1	4.6	7.7	8.7	13.1	4.7	7.3	9.5	9.1	7.3	14.0	10.8	6.1	5.3	

TABLE III-A — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1957. (continued)

North Latitude		37-02	37-03	37-04	38-03	38-04	39-02	39-03	39-04	40-04	41-04	41-05	42-04	42-05	44-06	47-07	49-08	49-09	50-09	T O T A L	
					23					37		195	90	378							2,467
					14.0					14.0		31.3	15.8	63.2							396.4
					1.6					2.6		6.2	5.7	6.0							6.2
					120					100	129	142		84	59		91	87	84		6,751
					14.4					14.2	14.4	14.4		13.9	14.0		14.0	14.0	14.0		732.3
					8.3					7.0	8.9	9.9		6.0	4.2		6.5	6.2	6.0		9.2
190	371	1619	190							361						46			39		10,384
33.0	34.4	119.2	17.2							40.1						13.3			14.0		1,143.6
5.7	10.8	13.6	11.0							9.0						3.4			2.8		9.1
173	923		236				140														10,947
32.4	96.0		32.0				15.2														1,197.3
5.3	9.6		7.4				9.2														9.1
363	1294	1619	569	123	140	513	140	513	361	498	129	337	90	462	59	46	91	87	123	30,549	
65.4	130.4	119.2	77.6	16.0	15.2	58.3	15.2	58.3	29.6	68.3	14.4	45.7	15.8	77.1	14.0	13.3	14.0	14.0	28.0	3,469.6	
5.5	9.9	13.6	7.3	7.7	7.7	8.8	9.2	8.8	12.2	7.3	8.9	7.4	5.7	6.0	4.2	3.4	6.5	6.2	4.4	8.8	

TABLE III-A — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1957. (continued)

Quarters	South Latitude															
	26—05	26—06	27—05	27—06	27—07	27—11	28—00	28—04	28—05	28—06	29—04	29—05	30—04	30—05	30—06	30—07
First	Rectangles															
	Catch data															
	Fishes	668	995	367	412	—	—	—	—	—	216	—	—	—	—	62
Second	Hundreds of hooks	64.8	71.2	32.0	25.0	—	—	—	—	15.0	—	—	—	—	18.0	136.8
	Index of abundance	10.3	14.0	11.5	16.5	—	—	—	—	14.4	—	—	—	—	3.4	8.1
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	109	52	80	208	187	85	303	1357	23	151	—
Third	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	17.9	20.5	26.5	39.9	17.9	46.6	191.7	13.4	9.8	—	20.5
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	6.1	3.9	7.8	4.7	4.7	6.5	7.1	1.7	15.4	—	5.1
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fourth	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Annual	Number of fish	668	995	367	412	109	52	80	208	187	301	1357	23	151	62	1218
	Hundreds of hooks	64.8	71.2	32.0	25.0	17.9	16.9	20.5	26.5	39.9	32.9	191.7	13.4	9.8	18.0	157.3
	Average	10.3	14.0	11.5	16.5	6.1	3.1	3.9	7.8	4.7	9.1	6.5	7.1	1.7	15.4	3.4

TABLE III-A — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1957. (continued)

Quarters	South Latitude														T O T A L		
	30—08	30—09	30—11	31—07	31—09	31—10	31—11	31—12	32—00	32—08	32—10	32—11	32—12	33—09		33—10	34—11
424	Rectangles														7.570		
	Catch data																
	Fishes	—	—	520	183	408	228	374	506	—	198	119	132	135		129	—
61.1	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	62.2	35.5	61.5	20.5	48.0	—	41.0	20.5	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	—	—
	Index of abundance	6.9	—	8.4	5.1	6.6	11.1	10.5	—	4.8	5.8	8.2	8.4	8.1	—	—	
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
236	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	170	310	—	—	—	169	91	4.953
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40.0	50.3	—	—	—	29.0	14.5	843.1
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.2	6.2	—	—	—	5.8	6.3	5.9
660	Rectangles														12.523		
	Catch data																
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		—	—
122.4	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5.4	Number of fish	119	520	183	408	1196	411	506	—	368	429	132	135	129	169	91	12.523
	Hundreds of hooks	20.3	62.2	35.5	61.5	174.6	60.0	48.0	—	81.0	70.8	16.0	16.0	16.0	29.0	14.5	1.703.7
	Average	5.9	8.4	5.1	6.6	6.8	6.8	10.5	—	4.5	6.0	8.2	8.4	8.1	5.8	6.3	7.3

TABLE III-B — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1958.
North Latitude

Quarters	Rectangles																
	27-09	28-03	28-08	28-09	29-03	29-09	30-02	31-04	33-03	34-03	35-02	36-01	36-03	37-01	37-02	37-03	
Catch data																	
Fishes																	
Hundreds of hooks									263	1116	115	145					208
Index of abundance									32,0	112,0	16,0	16,0					32,0
									8,2	9,9	7,2	9,0					6,5
Fishes																	
Hundreds of hooks																	
Index of abundance																	
Fishes	471		192	1434		943		103						85		67	
Hundreds of hooks	44,6		24,7	97,1		53,5		10,4						15,0		13,2	
Index of abundance	10,6		7,8	14,8		17,6		9,9						5,7		5,1	
Fishes		111			415		105							134			142
Hundreds of hooks		18,0			54,0		36,0							16,0			16,0
Index of abundance		6,2			7,7		2,9							8,4			8,9
Number of fish	471	111	192	1434	415	943	105	103	263	1116	115	145	219	67	208	142	
Hundreds of hooks	44,6	18,0	24,7	97,1	54,0	53,5	36,0	10,4	32,0	112,0	16,0	16,0	31,0	13,2	32,0	16,0	
Average	10,6	6,2	7,8	14,8	7,7	17,6	2,9	9,9	8,2	9,9	7,2	9,0	5,7	5,1	6,5	8,9	

TABLE III-B — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1958. (continued)
North Latitude

	Rectangles																	TOTAL	
	37-04	37-05	38-02	38-03	38-04	38-05	39-01	39-02	39-04	40-08	43-06	46-05	51-08	52-08	52-09	57-05	57-06		
																			1,847
																			208,0
																			8,9
	126	66	346	542	632		84	180	57	248	162	124		5,862					
	7,5	15,0	39,7	74,5	49,0		13,2	16,8	8,4	24,3	8,4	7,9		523,2					
	16,8	4,4	8,7	7,3	12,9		6,4	10,7	6,7	10,2	19,2	15,7		11,2					
1220		954	759			250	256					360	114	4,820					
96,0		64,0	80,0			16,0	32,0					23,8	7,9	459,7					
12,7		14,9	9,5			15,6	8,0					15,1	14,4	10,5					
1220	126	1020	1105	542	632	250	256	84	57	248	162	484	114	12,529					
96,0	7,5	79,0	119,7	74,5	49,0	16,0	32,0	13,2	8,4	24,3	8,4	31,8	7,9	1,190,9					
12,7	16,8	12,9	9,2	7,3	12,9	15,6	8,0	6,4	6,7	10,2	19,2	15,2	14,4	11,3					

TABLE III-B — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1958. (continued)

Quarters	South Latitude															
	24—01	24—03	24—05	25—00	25—01	26—05	27—03	27—04	27—05	27—06	28—01	28—02	28—03	28—04	28—05	28—06
Rectangles																
Catch data																
First	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Second	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	117	279	—	—	100	99	130	—	—	733
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	13,2	26,4	—	—	13,2	13,2	13,2	—	—	39,6
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	8,9	10,6	—	—	7,6	7,5	9,8	—	—	9,6
Third	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	90
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10,5
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,6
Fourth	Fishes	256	—	138	284	129	94	—	82	—	—	—	445	132	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	33,0	—	16,0	34,0	17,0	17,0	—	17,0	—	—	—	54,0	17,0	—	—
	Index of abundance	7,7	—	8,6	8,3	7,6	5,5	—	4,8	—	—	—	8,2	7,8	—	—
Annual total per rectangles	Number of fish	256	—	138	284	129	94	117	279	82	126	99	575	132	382	823
	Hundreds of hooks	33,0	—	16,0	34,0	17,0	17,0	13,2	26,4	17,0	11,0	13,2	67,2	17,0	39,6	75,7
	Average	7,7	—	8,6	8,3	7,6	5,5	8,9	10,6	4,8	11,4	7,6	8,8	7,8	9,6	10,2

TABLE III-B — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1958. (continued)

Quarters	South Latitude																				
	28—07	28—08	29—02	29—03	29—05	29—06	29—07	29—08	30—02	30—04	30—05	30—06	30—07	30—08	30—09	30—12	31—04	31—05	31—06	31—07	
First	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Second	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Third	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fourth	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Annual total per rectangles	Number of fish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Average	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
First	Fishes	175	170	156	272	122	504	1046	272	—	87	117	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	161
	Hundreds of hooks	16,0	16,0	18,0	36,0	16,0	38,5	79,1	48,9	—	16,0	12,5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25,8
	Index of abundance	10,9	10,6	8,7	7,5	7,6	13,1	13,2	5,5	—	5,4	9,4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,2
Second	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Third	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fourth	Fishes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Hundreds of hooks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Index of abundance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Annual total per rectangles	Number of fish	175	170	156	272	122	504	1046	272	483	4785	2789	117	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	161
	Hundreds of hooks	16,0	16,0	18,0	36,0	16,0	38,5	79,1	48,9	36,0	62,4	419,5	251,9	12,5	—	—	—	—	—	—	25,8
	Average	10,9	10,6	8,7	7,5	7,6	13,1	13,2	5,5	13,4	13,5	11,4	11,1	9,4	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,2

TABLE III-B — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1958. (continued)
South Latitude

	44—25	44—26	44—28	45—26	45—27	45—28	46—28	46—30	47—29	47—30	29—09	TOTAL
												10315
												892,3
												11,6
												4105
												508,9
												8,0
	65	474	74	197							287	10924
	12,6	67,0	10,2	34,6							38,3	1372,9
	5,1	7,1	7,2	5,7							7,5	7,9
	799	989		303	209	52	75	48	77	111		5430
	108,4	137,2		45,4	32,8	9,6	8,6	8,6	8,6	17,2		735,0
	7,4	7,2		6,7	6,4	5,4	8,7	5,6	8,9	6,4		7,5
	864	1463	74	500	209	52	75	48	77	111	287	30774
	121,0	204,2	10,2	80,0	32,8	9,6	8,6	8,6	8,6	17,2	38,3	3302,1
	7,1	7,2	7,2	6,2	6,4	5,4	8,7	5,6	8,9	6,4	7,5	8,8

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959
North Latitude

Quarters	Rectangles Catch Data	23—09	23—10	24—10	25—10	26—08	26—09	26—10	26—12	27—09	27—10	27—11	27—12	28—03	28—10	28—11	28—12
First	Fishes Hundreds of Hooks Index of Abundance																
Second	Fishes Hundreds of Hooks Index of Abundance																
Third	Fishes Hundreds of Hooks Index of Abundance	95	480	324	97	683	466	452	163	178	184	1103	3009	1074	1160	1331	
		17,0	72,0	36,0	17,0	48,8	32,4	49,0	16,0	16,0	16,0	80,8	220,6	80,8	78,8	95,4	
		5,5	6,6	9,0	5,7	14,0	14,4	9,2	10,2	11,1	11,5	13,6	11,6	13,3	14,7	13,9	
Fourth	Fishes Hundreds of Hooks Index of Abundance																
Annual	Number of fish	95	480	324	97	683	466	452	163	178	184	1103	3009	1074	1160	1331	
Total Per Rectangle	Hundreds of Hooks Average	17,0	72,0	36,0	17,0	48,8	32,4	49,0	16,0	16,0	16,0	80,8	220,6	80,8	78,8	95,4	
		5,5	6,6	9,0	5,7	14,0	14,4	9,2	10,2	11,1	11,5	13,6	13,6	13,3	14,7	13,9	

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959 (continued)
North Latitude

	29—00	29—03	29—05	29—06	29—08	29—09	29—11	30—00	30—01	30—02	30—05	31—07	31—08	31—09	32—01	32—05	32—08	32—09	32—10	33—03	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	140	—	—	44	415	—	—	—	—	63
19,0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56,0	—	—	19,0	72,0	—	—	—	—	18,0
1,2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,5	—	—	2,3	5,8	—	—	—	—	3,5
24	—	118	73	205	189	732	172	151	543	140	288	140	288	1140	44	415	162	2039	951	63	
19,0	—	18,0	18,0	18,0	18,0	68,8	36,8	18,0	72,0	56,0	18,0	56,0	18,0	118,0	19,0	72,0	18,0	157,6	85,6	18,0	
1,2	—	6,5	4,0	11,4	10,5	10,6	4,8	8,4	7,5	2,5	16,0	2,5	16,0	9,7	2,3	5,8	9,0	12,9	11,1	3,5	

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959 (continued)
North Latitude

	33—04	33—05	33—07	33—08	33—09	34—00	34—05	34—06	34—09	35—05	35—07	36—03	38—03	39—01	39—04	40—03	40—04	40—05	TOTAL	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
63	—	—	518	274	—	—	—	—	176	66	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18596
18,0	—	—	54,0	36,0	—	—	—	—	15,6	15,8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1662,0
3,5	—	—	9,6	7,6	—	—	—	—	11,3	4,2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11,2
63	64	58	—	—	—	50	364	60	—	134	—	49	55	—	78	34	98	1	—	1794
18,0	18,0	18,0	—	—	18,0	18,0	54,0	18,0	—	36,0	—	18,0	16,0	—	16,0	18,0	36,0	18,0	—	486,0
3,5	3,5	3,2	—	—	2,8	2,8	6,7	3,3	—	3,7	—	2,7	3,4	—	4,9	1,9	2,7	0,0	—	3,7
63	64	58	518	274	50	364	60	176	134	66	49	55	—	78	34	98	1	—	—	20390
18,0	18,0	18,0	54,0	36,0	18,0	54,0	18,0	15,6	36,0	15,8	18,0	16,0	16,0	—	16,0	18,0	36,0	18,0	—	2184,0
3,5	3,5	3,2	9,6	7,6	2,8	6,7	3,3	11,3	3,7	4,2	2,7	3,4	—	4,9	1,9	2,7	0,0	—	—	9,5

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959 (continued)
South Latitude

	30-00	30-01	30-03	30-04	30-05	30-07	30-08	30-22	31-02	31-03	31-04	31-08	31-09	31-19	32-01	32-04	32-05	32-06	32-07
						91	521							85		160		272	606
						10,8	43,2							12,0		20,0		41,2	57,4
						8,4	12,1							7,1		8,0		6,6	10,5
										145						630	153		
										17,6						64,6	24,0		
										8,2						9,7	6,4		
							26	18											
							10,0	10,5											
							2,6	1,7											
			167	9						38	117								
			38,6	9,6						9,6	38,4								
			4,3	0,9						3,9	3,0								
			167	9		91	547	18	38	262	41			85		790	153	272	606
			38,6	9,6		10,8	53,2	10,5	9,6	56,0	14,0			12,0		84,6	24,0	41,2	57,4
			4,3	0,9		8,4	10,3	1,7	3,9	4,7	2,9			7,1		9,3	6,4	6,6	10,5

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959 (continued)
South Latitude

	32-08	32-09	32-10	32-18	32-19	33-02	33-03	33-04	33-06	33-07	33-08	33-09	34-03	34-04	34-05	34-06	34-09	35-01	35-02	35-03	
174																					
31,4				554	386			114	249	1328											
5,5				84,0	48,0			13,0	39,0	137,4											
				6,6	8,0			8,8	6,4	9,7											
								93					61					51	31	44	
								13,0					13,0					9,6	9,6	9,6	
								7,1					4,7					5,3	3,2	4,6	
													52								
						39							9,2								
						10,0							5,6								
						3,9															
							46	70	1074												54
							10,0	25,6	152,0												19,6
							4,6	2,7	7,1												2,7
174				554	386	39	46	277	1323	1328			113					51	31	98	
31,4				84,0	48,0	10,0	10,0	51,6	191,0	137,4			22,2					9,6	9,6	29,2	
5,5				6,6	8,0	3,9	4,6	5,4	6,9	9,7			5,1					5,3	3,2	3,3	

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959 (continued)
South Latitude

	35-07	35-19	35-20	35-21	36-03	36-17	36-18	36-19	36-20	36-21	37-20	37-21	38-03	38-21	38-22	39-21	39-23	39-24	39-25	40-00
									30	72										
									12,0	12,0										22
									2,5	6,0										10,2
																				2,1
		28		55				37	20						37		27	70		38
		11,0		21,2				11,0	11,0						10,2		10,2	20,0		10,4
		2,5		2,6				3,4	1,8						3,6		2,6	3,5		3,6
		30	17			217	138		215	164	121	110		39		21				
		9,0	12,2			84,2	36,6		56,4	34,3	23,4	33,3		24,0		11,0				
		3,3	1,4			2,6	3,8		3,8	4,8	5,1	3,3		1,6		1,9				
		58	17	55		217	138	37	265	236	121	110		39	37	21	27	70	22	38
		20,0	12,2	21,2		84,2	36,6	11,0	79,4	46,3	23,4	33,3		24,0	10,2	11,0	10,2	20,0	10,2	10,4
		2,9	1,4	2,6		2,6	3,8	3,4	3,3	5,1	5,1	3,3		1,6	3,6	1,9	2,6	3,5	2,1	3,6

TABLE III-C — Relative abundance (as capture per 100 hooks) of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye, by quarters, by statistical rectangles, 1959 (continued)
South Latitude

	40-03	40-04	40-05	40-23	40-24	40-25	41-24	41-25	42-25	43-25	44-25	44-26	44-27	45-25	45-26	45-27	TOTAL			
					14	32	126				2090	427	43	64	193	15				10753
					9,0	9,0	24,3				284,0	70,8	14,9	19,2	20,9	10,2				1276,6
					1,5	3,5	5,2				7,3	6,7	2,9	3,3	9,3	1,5				8,4
						190	33	42	32	24										
				213	962	66,6	20,7	10,0	11,6	11,4										9662
				2,3	3,1	2,8	1,6	4,2	2,7	2,1										1301,4
																				7,4
																				1826
																				490,5
																				3,7
																				3124
											1212	210								844,2
											439,9	69,9								3,7
											2,7	3,0								
				213	976	232	159	42	32	24	3302	682	43	64	193	15				25365
				92,3	320,6	75,6	45,0	10,0	11,6	11,4	723,9	140,7	14,9	19,2	20,9	10,2				3912,7
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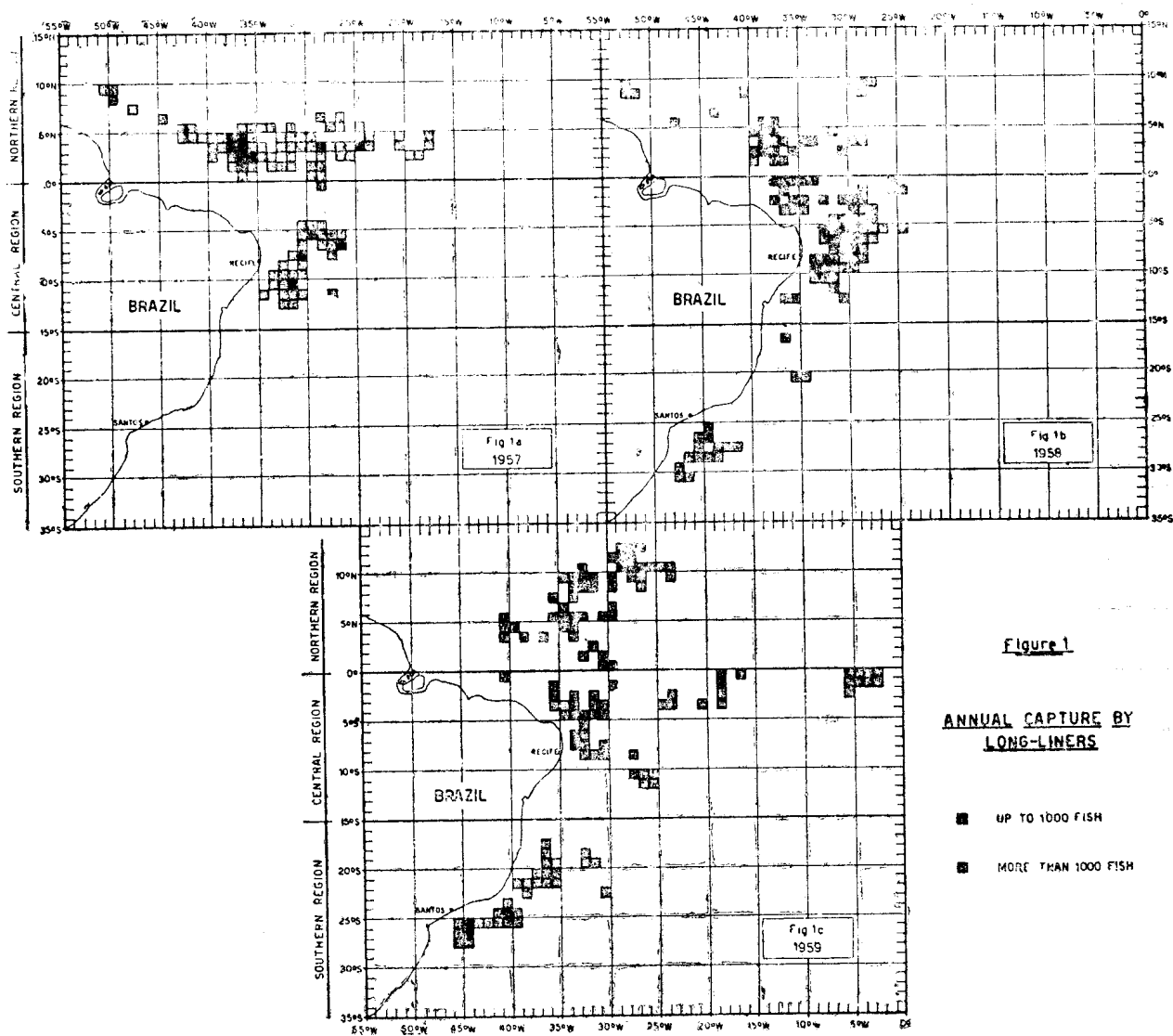


Figure 1
ANNUAL CAPTURE BY
LONG-LINERS

- UP TO 1000 FISH
- MORE THAN 1000 FISH

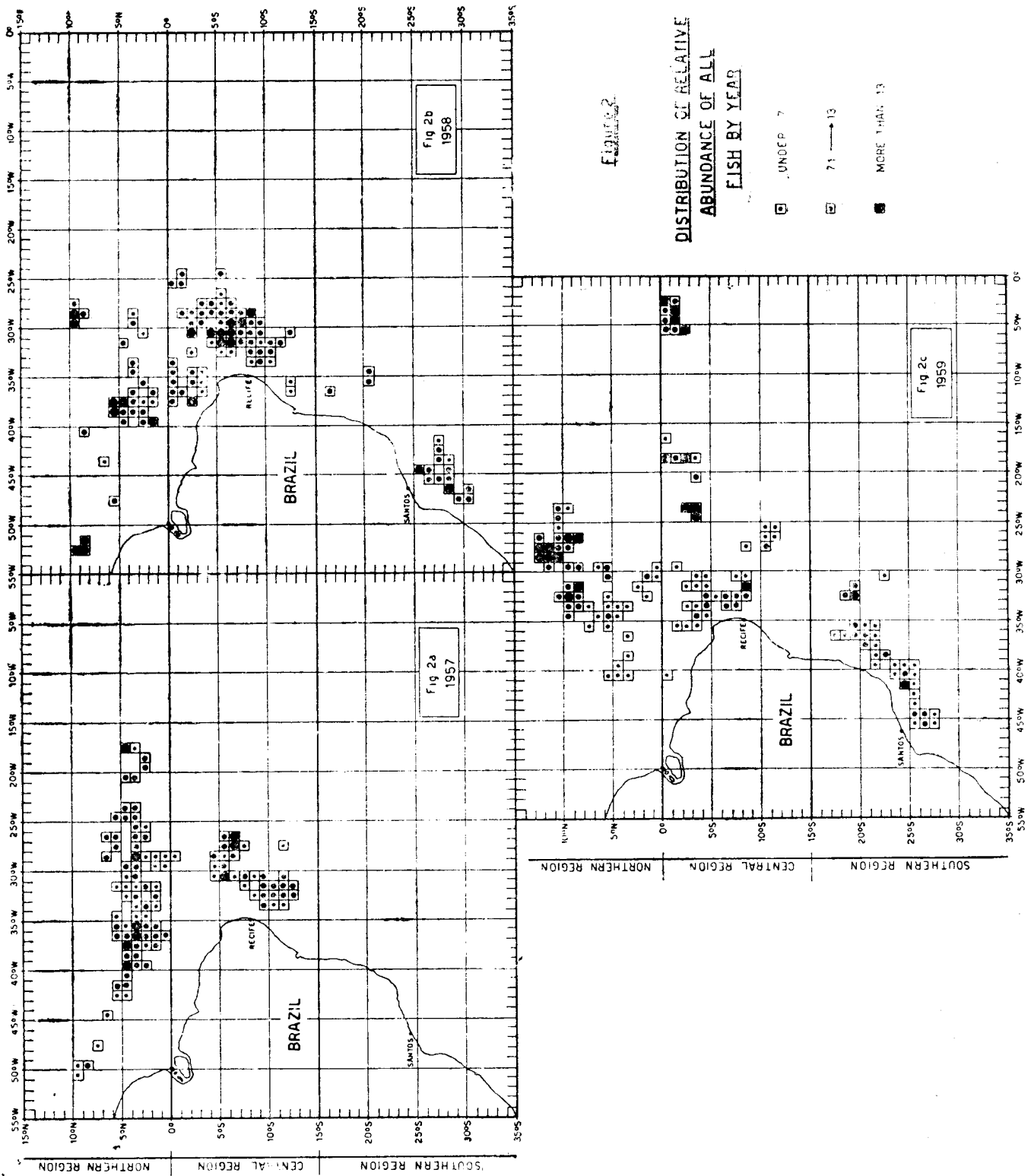


FIGURE 2

DISTRIBUTION OF RELATIVE
ABUNDANCE OF ALL
FISH BY YEAR

- UNDEP. 7
- ◻ 71 → 13
- MORE THAN 13

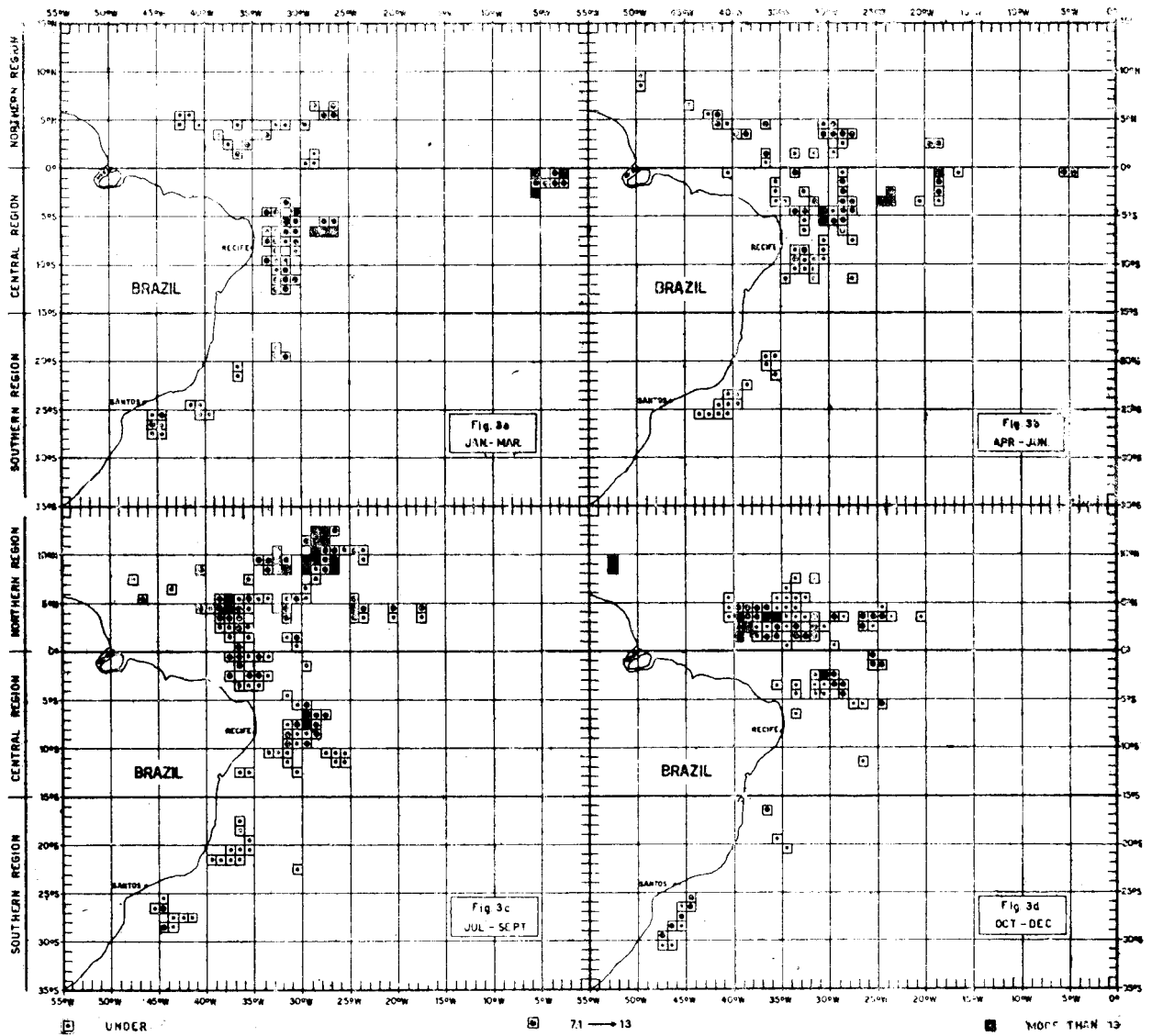


Figure 3 — Distribution of Relative Abundance of Yellowfin, Albacore, and Big-eye by Quarters, in Years, 1957 — 1959.

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