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Introduction

This is the third in a series of atlases describing the spatial distribution of a wide range of New Zealand marine fish and squid species. These atlases, produced as the first step towards analysing fish community structure in the New Zealand region (*see* Anderson *et al.* 1998, Bagley *et al.* 2000), contain distribution maps which greatly extend our knowledge of the range of most species and we hope that they will provide valuable reference documents.

The first atlas (Anderson *et al.* 1998) contained geographical and depth distribution maps for species taken in research bottom trawls over a 35 year period. It included 270 species or species groups (236 species, 26 species groups, and 8 families) and covered most areas around New Zealand and its offshore islands, from 4 to 1700 m depth.

The second atlas (Bagley *et al.* 2000) contained distribution maps for species which occur off the bottom (in midwater and at the surface) as sampled by midwater trawl and tuna longline, and recorded from aerial sightings. It included 112 species or species groups (90 species, 17 species groups, and 5 families).

This third atlas includes species from the first two atlases for which there were sufficient length measurements to enable us to determine the distribution of immature and adult life history stages. It includes species (mostly of commercial importance) sampled by bottom trawl, midwater trawl, and tuna longline. Distributions of demersal and midwater trawl species were determined using data from the Ministry of Fisheries research trawl and commercial scientific observer databases. Distributions of pelagic species (in the top 250 m) were determined from the Ministry of Fisheries tuna longline observer database. As well as the geographical distribution of various life history stages, length frequency histograms are presented for each species and fishing method.

Species selection

An outline of the catch data contained in the Ministry of Fisheries trawl survey, scientific observer, and tuna longline observer databases was given in the first two atlases. These databases span 12 (commercial) to nearly 40 (research) years. A large amount of biological data, including individual fish lengths and gonad maturity stages, are also available for the more important commercial species. In selecting the species to include in this atlas, it was necessary that age/growth or maturity data were available (either published or from the databases), and that the species was well sampled. In general, there were more measurements for species caught by bottom trawl than by midwater trawl, and the species sampled from midwater formed a subset of the species sampled by bottom trawl. Therefore, to ensure data from bottom and midwater were included for the same species we initially chose bottom trawl species with more than 1000 fish measured and midwater trawl species with more than 250 fish measured. A 250 fish measured cutoff was also used for species caught by tuna longlines. For most species, these length frequency samples were associated with a reasonable number of trawl tows or longline sets (*i.e.*, over 20), but species with low tow or set numbers (*e.g.*, *Trachurus novaezelandiae*, 336 fish measured in 8 tows) are still included. Species were not included in the atlas if size at maturity data were not available.

A variety of midwater nets have been used for both commercial and research tows, with various headline heights, codend mesh sizes, and towing speeds. We made no attempt in this atlas to identify any differences in distribution which may be due to such factors, but they are likely to be important (*e.g.*, commercial trawl codend mesh size is generally 100 mm north of about 49° S, and 60 mm south of 49° S; research codend mesh sizes vary among vessels, trawls, and years). Also, the distribution of midwater tows and tuna longline positions is more patchy than for bottom trawl positions. Therefore, the resulting distributions are more reliable indicators of where size and age groups are caught rather than where they do not occur.

Distribution maps were produced for 53 species: 8 from tuna longline only, 25 from bottom trawl only, 17 from bottom and midwater trawl, and 3 from all three methods.

Species identification

Species identification issues were summarised by Anderson *et al.* (1998) and Bagley *et al.* (2000) and are not repeated here. Many of the identification problems outlined in the previous two atlases are not relevant here as the risk of misidentification is less when fish are individually measured. The most likely sources of error for species selected for this atlas are where a single species has been found later to include more than one species (e.g., giant stargazer initially included banded stargazer) and where two species were often confused (e.g., mako and porbeagle sharks). These problems have been lessened by including only later records where appropriate. Where identification problems are still likely to exist footnotes have been included on the plots.

Determination of life history stages and lengths

Two main steps were involved in determining age classes of the species included here. Firstly, a literature search was made to obtain information on birth dates and length-at-age (Table 1). The birth date was usually the mid-spawning season or, for species with slightly different spawning seasons in different areas, the mid-point of the range. Secondly, length frequencies were plotted for all species to determine appropriate length cutoffs by age class. This often required breakdown of the data into two or four seasons per year, especially for species that have either fast growth, or multiple or extended spawning seasons.

For many species, it was possible to determine the youngest two age classes or size groups represented in the length frequency samples (*see* Table 1). These were designated 0 (less than 12 months old) and 1 (12 to less than 24 months old). A few species did not appear to be sampled by trawls or longlines until they were older (e.g., bluenose, ages 2 and 3) and these first sampled age classes were used. For some species, there was no published information on age and growth but modal groups could be determined from the length frequencies. In these cases, the first two groups present were classified as Groups i and ii. This classification was sometimes used when an arbitrary grouping was made which may have included more than one age class. Details are listed in Table 1 and in footnotes on the plots to explain what each set of groups represent.

Maturity at size or age was used to determine the distribution of immature and mature fish. For many of these species, the size or age at which 50% of the fish are mature has been published (*see* Table 1). As the size at maturity often varies slightly by sex, the average of the male and female lengths was used except where the difference was greater than 10 cm. For these species (mainly elasmobranchs), the distribution of immature and mature fish was determined separately for each sex before the data were combined on the final plot. When the size at 50% maturity was not available, other published data on size at maturity (e.g., a size range, minimum length at maturity) were used, or size was determined from biological data in the research or scientific observer databases. Maturity cutoffs and data sources are listed in Table 1.

Data presentation

For all species, distribution maps are presented for immature and adult fish. Additional maps show the distribution of the two youngest age or size classes, where these could be determined. The maps are arranged in two sections: bottom trawl positions are shown separately from midwater and tuna longline positions. The last two were combined (for three species) where there were sufficient data for

both methods and because the distributions did not overlap. Closed circles and open squares show research and scientific observer data, open triangles show tuna longline positions. Baseline maps showing all positions for these methods and data sources are shown in Figures 1–5. These baseline maps are the same as those for the first two atlases, except that some additional research trawl data have been included for bottom trawls (Figure 1b) and a plot of all observed bottom tows is also provided (Figure 2).

Within each section, the maps are in alphabetical order by scientific name, with one common name (where it exists) listed on each map. Footnotes identify issues concerning the reliability of species identification or provide additional information on the determination of age classes or size at maturity.

The grey background on each adult plot shows all positions where the species has been caught (thereby indicating where they occur but may not have been measured). For midwater trawl and tuna longline caught species, these grey background plots are the same as the species plots in the second atlas (Bagley *et al.* 2000). For bottom trawl plots, these plots are the same as the research bottom trawl plots in the first atlas (Anderson *et al.* 1998), except that the additional research data are included here. Commercial bottom trawl tows were not used for these background plots because the distribution of tows is generally covered by that of the research tows and the data were not included in the first atlas so were not subject to the same standard of error checking.

The location of the tow for the bottom and midwater trawls is the start position. Coverage by bottom trawl is extensive, although the Fiordland coast, the Kermadec Ridge, and parts of the Challenger Plateau were not well sampled. Coverage by midwater trawl was more restricted to commercial fishing areas focussing on hoki (west coast South Island, Chatham Rise) southern blue whiting (Subantarctic), jack mackerel (Taranaki Bight), and orange roughy/oreos (deeper areas around the 1000 m contour). Depth distribution plots are presented for bottom and midwater and trawl tows (research and observer data combined). These represent the proportion of tows, within each 10 m depth interval, in which the age or maturity stage of that species occurred. For midwater trawl plots, both the depth of capture (dashed line) and bottom depth (solid line) are shown.

The location of each tuna longline sample was calculated from data recorded by observers (i.e., position, time, and number of hooks per set). Tuna longline data were distributed unevenly across months. South Island data were collected during March–July (mostly April–June). North Island data were collected throughout the year, but most effort was in June–July. The fish distributions shown in the plots therefore reflect mainly winter conditions. There were no depth of capture data available for tuna longline data. The depth plot for the three species which occurred in both midwater trawl and tuna longline catches represents the midwater trawl data only.

The number of occurrences of each life history stage is given on each plot. The overall length frequency for each method and data source, and the number of fish measured, are shown in Figures 6–9. Length measurement methods for each species are given in Table 1.

An index of common names (Index 1) and an index of family names (Index 2) are provided. Common names vary considerably among countries and among regions within a country. On the plots, we have attempted to provide the common names used most often within New Zealand, especially in standard texts. They generally follow Paulin & Stewart (1985) and Paulin *et al.* (1989) who based their names on earlier lists (Phillips 1927, Graham 1956, Whitley 1968, Doak 1972, Ayling & Cox 1982). In the index of common names, we also list other common names used by fisheries researchers and the fishing industry. For lists of Maori fish names, see Whitley (1968) and Strickland (1990). The family names for teleosts, elasmobranchs, and squids follow Paulin *et al.* (1989), Compagno & Didier (in press) and Roper *et al.* (1984), respectively, except for a few recently updated names (C. Paulin and A. Stewart, Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, pers. comm.).

Possible sources of error or uncertainty

Details of possible sources of uncertainty in the positions of bottom and midwater trawls and tuna longline sets were outlined by Anderson *et al.* (1998) and Bagley *et al.* (2000) and are not repeated here. Some errors in fish measurement may have occurred during data collection, transcribing, or computer entry. Many of these errors will have been corrected during the normal error checking procedures before data were loaded on the database. However, it is impossible to remove all errors in this type of data summary without having individual fish weights to search for outliers.

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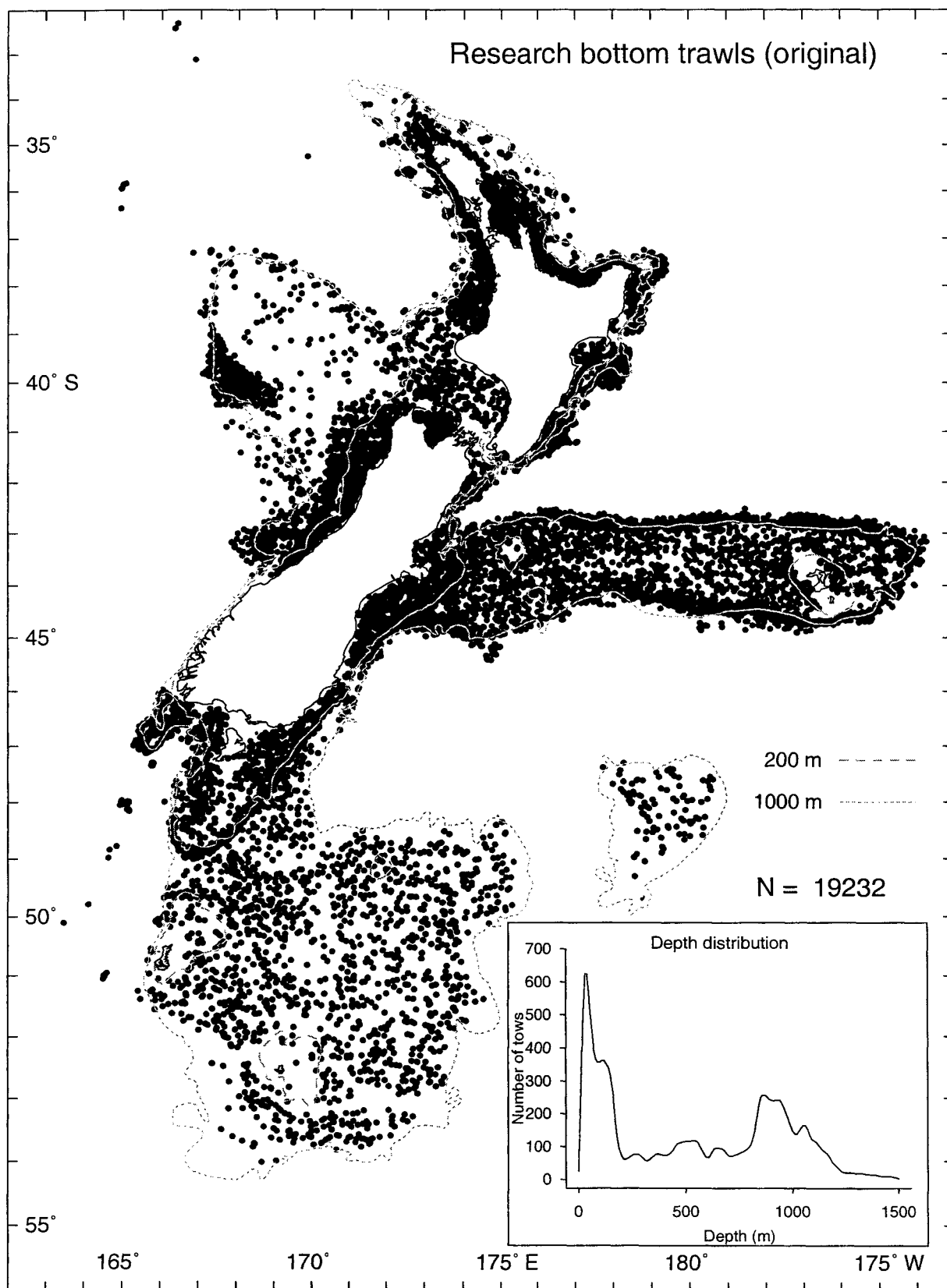


Figure 1a: Distribution of research bottom trawl as available on the Ministry of Fisheries trawl survey database at 12 May 1997 (see Anderson *et al.* 1998). N is the number of tows. The depth distribution plot shows the depth of the seabed by 10 m depth intervals.

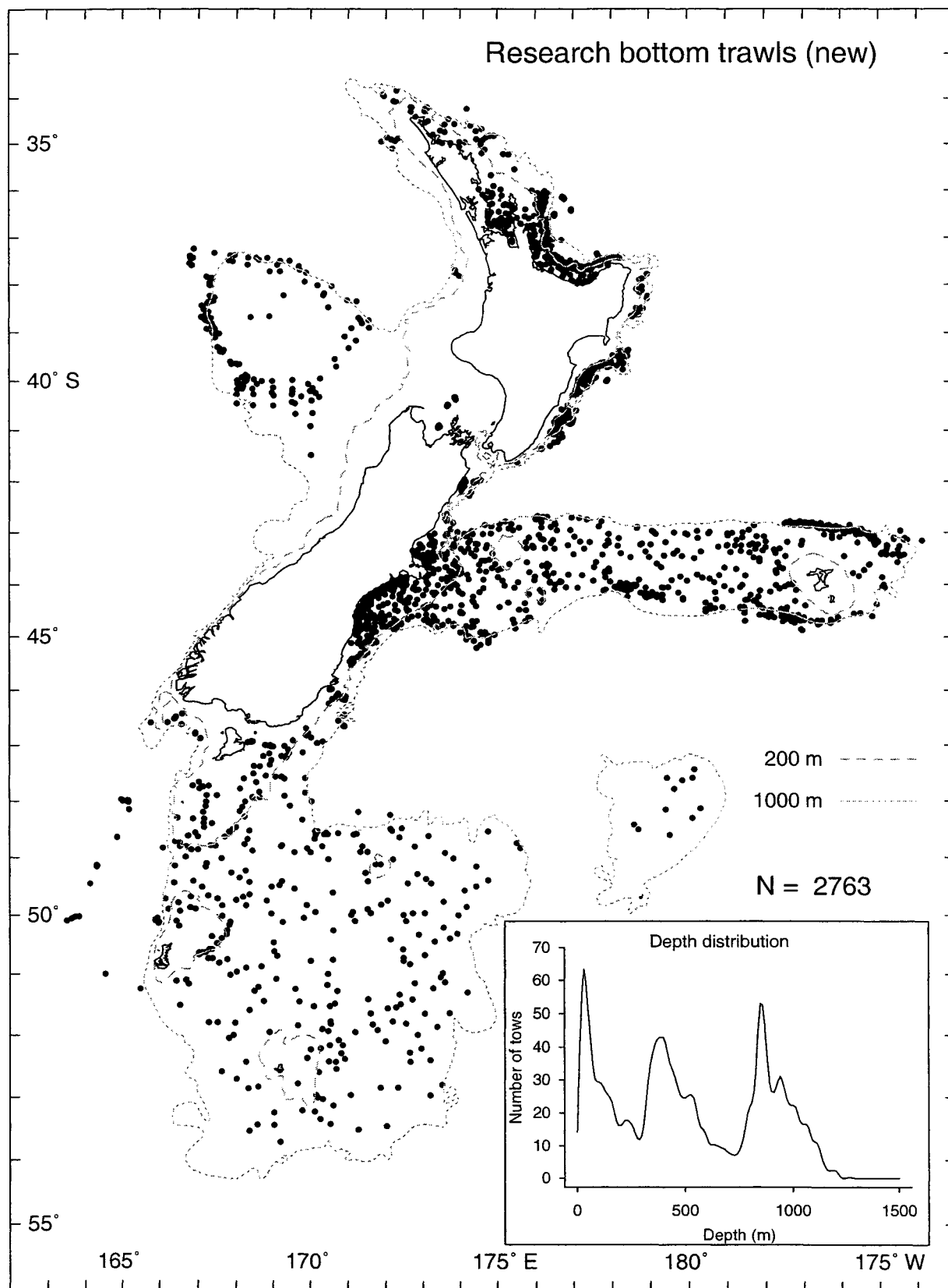


Figure 1b: Distribution of research prawn trawls and additional (i.e., added to the Ministry of Fisheries trawl survey database between May 1997 and January 1999) research bottom trawls. N is the number of tows. The depth distribution plot shows the depth of the seabed by 10 m depth intervals.

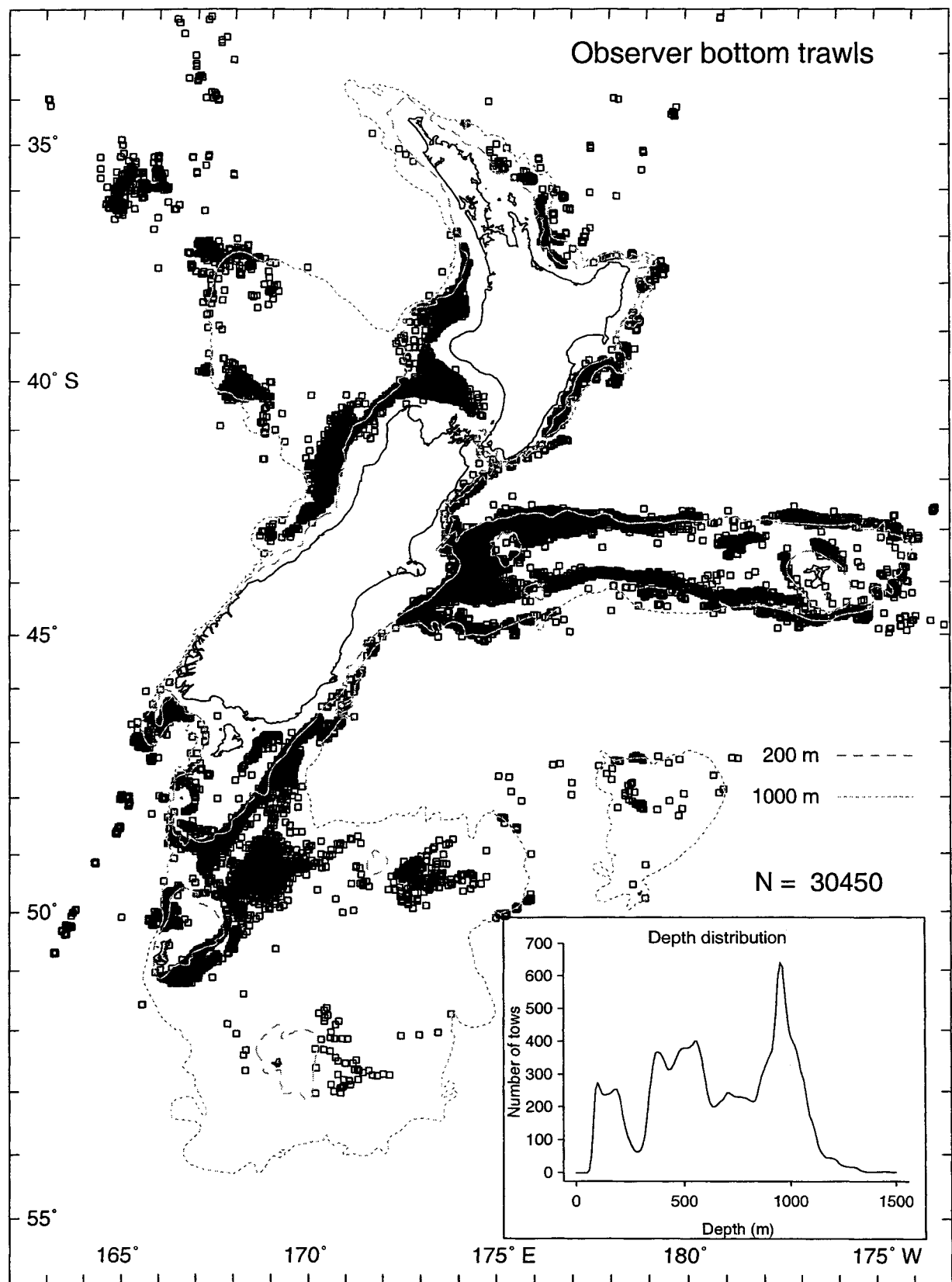


Figure 2: Distribution of observer bottom trawls from March 1990 to November 1998 (squid bottom trawls to April 1997). N is the number of tows. The depth distribution plot shows the depth of the seabed by 10 m depth intervals.

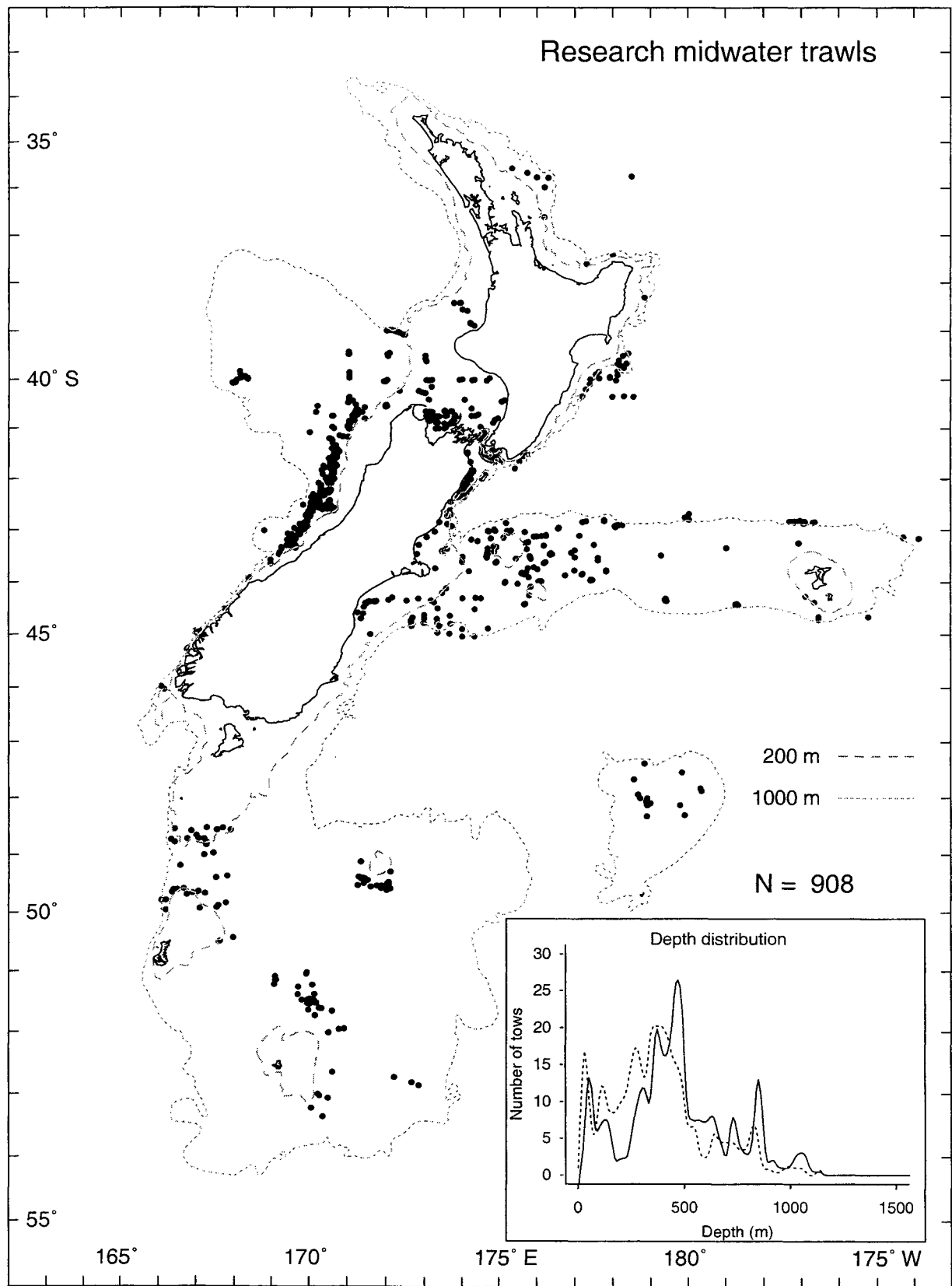


Figure 3: Distribution of research midwater trawl to January 1999. N is the number of tows. The depth distribution plot shows the depth of the seabed (continuous line) and depth of the trawl net groundrope (dashed line) by 10 m depth intervals.

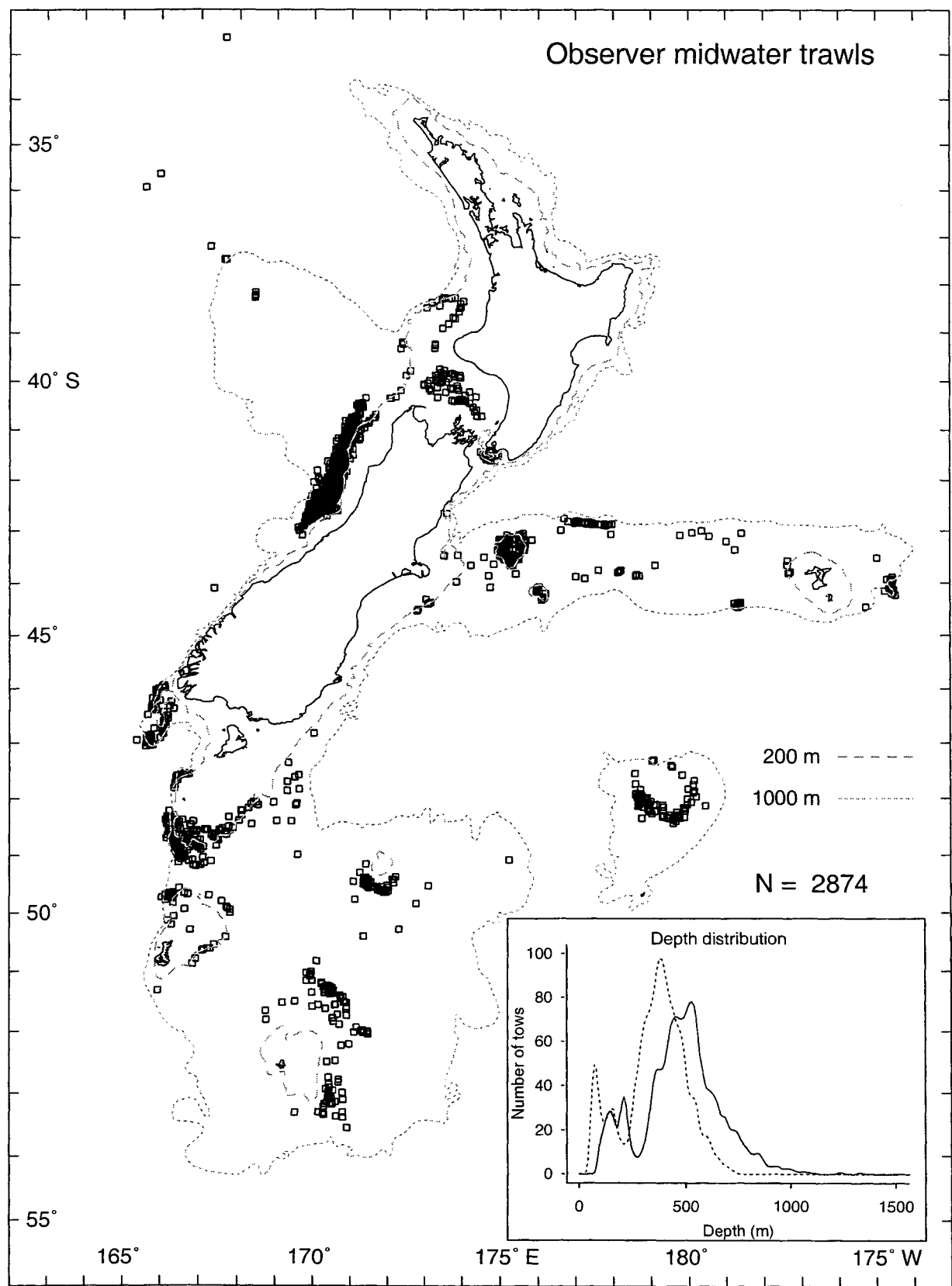


Figure 4: Distribution of observer midwater trawls (above 20 m off the bottom) from March 1990 to August 1998 (squid midwater trawls to March 1997). N is the number of tows. The depth distribution plot shows the depth of the seabed (continuous line) and depth of the trawl net groundrope (dashed line) by 10 m depth intervals.

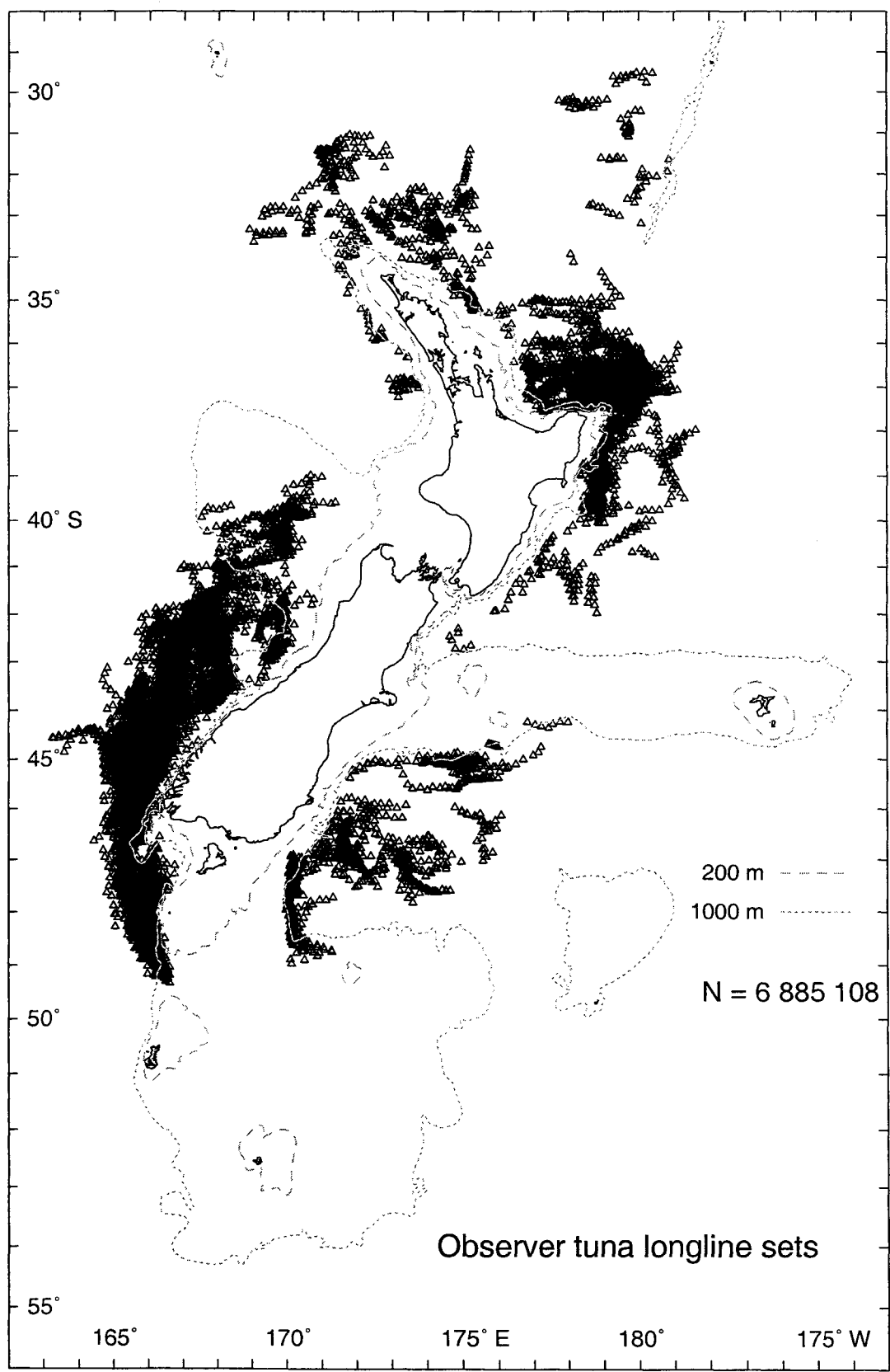


Figure 5: Distribution of tuna longline sets. Only a subset of the hooks is shown for each set (the first hook plus every 500th hook thereafter). N is the total number of hooks.

Length data summaries

Table 1: Lengths (cm) used to separate age classes (by season) and maturity stages, based on database extracts and published age and length at maturity and growth data. Seasonal divisions (up to four periods) were made for species that are fast growing or have multiple or extended spawning seasons (i.e. where 1 period is indicated this represents a 12 month season; 2 periods represent 6 month seasons; 4 periods represent 3 month seasons). Divisions start at the assumed birthday which is the first day of the month indicated. Where growth is very slow or unknown, age groups have not been determined. Length measurement methods are: F, fork; G, snout tip to posterior end of dorsal fin; M, mantle; P, pelvic; S, standard; T, total. The length at maturity is the length at which 50% of fish are mature (averaged across sexes where appropriate), or an approximation of this, as indicated. M, male; F, female; SOP, Scientific Observer Programme; -, not determined

Species	Length method	Length at maturity	Birth	Age/group	Maximum length by season				Length at maturity source	Growth/age data source
					1	2	3	4		
<i>Allocyttus niger</i>	T	34	- ¹	-					Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Smaller fish may represent many age classes Francis 1996
<i>Arripis trutta</i>	F	38	Feb	0	10	14			Francis 1996: 35–40 cm (4–5 years)	
<i>Beryx splendens</i>	F	34	Aug	1	23	25			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998: age 4–5 years	Massey & Horn 1990
<i>Brama brama</i>	F	43	Jan	2	26	41			Estimated from SOP data	Arbitrary, based on length frequency modes Francis 1997
<i>Callorhinchus milii</i>	F	M: 52 F: 71	May	i ii	42 45				Gorman 1963	
<i>Chelidonichthys kumu</i>	F	36	Jan	0	15	20	23	29	Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998: 2–3 years	Francis 1996, Sutton 1997
<i>Cyttus traversi</i>	T	33	Oct	1	30	35			Clark & King 1989: 30–35 cm	Arbitrary, based on length frequency modes
<i>Deania calcea</i>	T	M: 78 F: 100	-	ii i	18 40	20			Clark & King 1989	Arbitrary, based on length frequency modes
<i>Epigonus telescopus</i>	F	46	-	ii	70				Field <i>et al.</i> 1997	Smaller fish may represent many age classes Francis & Mulligan 1998
<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	T ¹	130	Oct	0	35	40	44	50	Hurst <i>et al.</i> 1999	
<i>Genypterus blacodes</i>	T	68	Oct	1	50	54	59	61	Francis & Mulligan 1998	
<i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>	S	30	-	1	26	28			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998: 30% at age 6, 75% at age 7 Horn <i>et al.</i> 1998	Horn 1993a Smaller fish may represent many age classes
<i>Hydrolagus novaezealandiae</i>	G	M: 52 F: 61	-	i ii	30 40				Horn 1997a	Arbitrary, groups may represent several year classes

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					1	2	3	4		
<i>Hydrolagus</i> sp. B2	G	M: 59 F: 69	—	i ii	35 45				Horn 1997a	Arbitrary, groups may represent several year classes
<i>Hyperolyphe antarctica</i>	F	62	Feb	2 3	51 59				Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Horn 1988 (recruit to the bottom at 47 cm, age 2)
<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>	F	M:182 F:251	—	i ii	110 160				Francis <i>et al.</i> 1999b	Pratt & Casey 1983. Groups i & ii may approximate ages 0 & 1
<i>Kathetostoma giganteum</i>	T	45	Mar	0 1	16 23				Sutton 1999	Sutton 1999
<i>Lamna nasus</i>	F	166	—	i ii	75 95				Francis & Stevens 2000 (F: 165, M unknown)	Groups i & ii may approximate ages 0 & 1
<i>Macruronus novaezelandiae</i>	T	66	Aug	0	27	31			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Horn & Sullivan 1996
<i>Merluccius australis</i>	T	76	Oct	1	45	55	18	25	Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Horn 1997b
<i>Micromesistius australis</i>	F	38	Aug	0	19	24	45	44	Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Hanchet & Uozumi 1996
<i>Mora moro</i>	T	45	Aug	i ii	23 31	28 35	25 31	27 34	Research and SOP data	Arbitrary, based on length frequency modes
<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	T	M:87 F: 102	Sep	0	45	50			Francis & Francis 1992	Francis & Francis 1992
<i>Myliobatis tenuicaudatus</i>	P	41	Sep	i ii	65 25	70 32			Hartill 1989; Minimum length M: 35; F: 41	Hartill 1989. Groups i & ii may approximate ages 0 & 1
<i>Nemadactylus macropterus</i>	F	31	Mar	0	—	11			Tong & Vooren 1972	Vooren 1975, 1977 (recruit to the bottom at about 10 cm)
<i>Neocyttus rhomboidalis</i>	T	30	—	1	15	17			Research and SOP data	Smaller fish may represent many age classes
<i>Nototodarus gouldi</i> & <i>N. sloanii</i>	M	31	Oct	i ii	14 19	15 21	13 20	14 20	Derived from Uozumi <i>et al.</i> 1995, Uozumi 1997	Arbitrary, based on length frequency modes
<i>Pagrus auratus</i>	F	24	Jan	0	8	12			Crossland 1981, Francis 1996	Francis 1994
<i>Parika scaber</i>	T	19	—	1	16	18			Francis 1996	

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					1	2	3	4		
<i>Pelotretis flavilatis</i>	T	18	Aug	0	11	15			Rapson 1940	Rapson 1940 (age 1 may include some age 2 fish)
<i>Polyprion oxygeneios</i>	T	86	Jul	i	50	28			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Arbitrary, smaller fish represent several age classes
<i>Prionace glauca</i>	T	221	—	ii	60				Francis <i>et al.</i> 1999b	Stevens 1975, Cailliet <i>et al.</i> 1983
<i>Pseudocaranx dentex</i>	F	36	Jan	i	80	17			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Groups i & ii approx. ages 0 & 1
<i>Pseudocyttus maculatus</i>	T	40	—	—	110	27			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Gilbert 1988, James 1984
<i>Pseudophycis bachus</i>	T	51	Oct	0	14	22			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Smaller fish may represent many age classes
<i>Rexea solandri</i>	F	65	Oct	0	35	45			Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Horn 1996
<i>Rhombosolea leporina</i>	T	21	Jan	0	20	20	35	28	Derived from Hurst <i>et al.</i> 1998	Horn & Hurst 1999
<i>Rhombosolea plebeia</i>	T	18	Jan	0	34	39	39	44	Colman 1972	
<i>Scomber australasicus</i>	F	36	Aug	i	15	20			Colman 1972	Colman 1978
<i>Seriotelella brama</i>	F	36	Oct	ii	23	29			Research and SOP data: F: 35–42, M: no data	Arbitrary, groups i & ii may represent ages 1 & 2
<i>Seriotelella caerulea</i>	F	40	Aug	0	33	39	10	20	Bagley <i>et al.</i> 1998: age 4	Bagley <i>et al.</i> 1998
<i>Seriotelella punctata</i>	F	47	Oct	1	13	17	26	30	Gavrilov 1979	Gavrilov 1979
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	T	M: 58 F: 72	Jul	1	24	28	25	28	Horn & Sutton 1996	Horn & Sutton 1996
<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	F	85	—	i	33	37	35	36	Hanchet 1988	Hanchet 1986
<i>Thunnus albacares</i>	F	105	—	ii	64	74	32	35	Bailey 1991: capable of spawning at 85 cm	Arbitrary, may contain several ages, youngest not caught
<i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>	F	146	—	—			37	42	Anonymous 1998	

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					1	2	3	4		
<i>Thunnus obesus</i>	F	130	—	—					Collette & Nauen 1983	
<i>Thyrsites atun</i>	F	56	Oct	0	20	25	30	32	Annala <i>et al.</i> 1998	Harley <i>et al.</i> 1999
<i>Trachurus declivis</i>	F	31	Jan	0	36	40	42	45	Horn 1991	Horn 1993b
<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	F	39	—	1	13	19	28		Andrianov 1985	
<i>Trachurus novaezelandiae</i>	F	27	Jan	0	13	15			Horn 1991	Horn 1993b
<i>Xiphias gladius</i>	F	160	—	1	19	22			Nakamura 1985	
<i>Zeus faber</i>	T	36	Jan	0	25	30			Francis 1996, Hanchet & Francis unpubl. results	Hanchet & Francis unpubl. results

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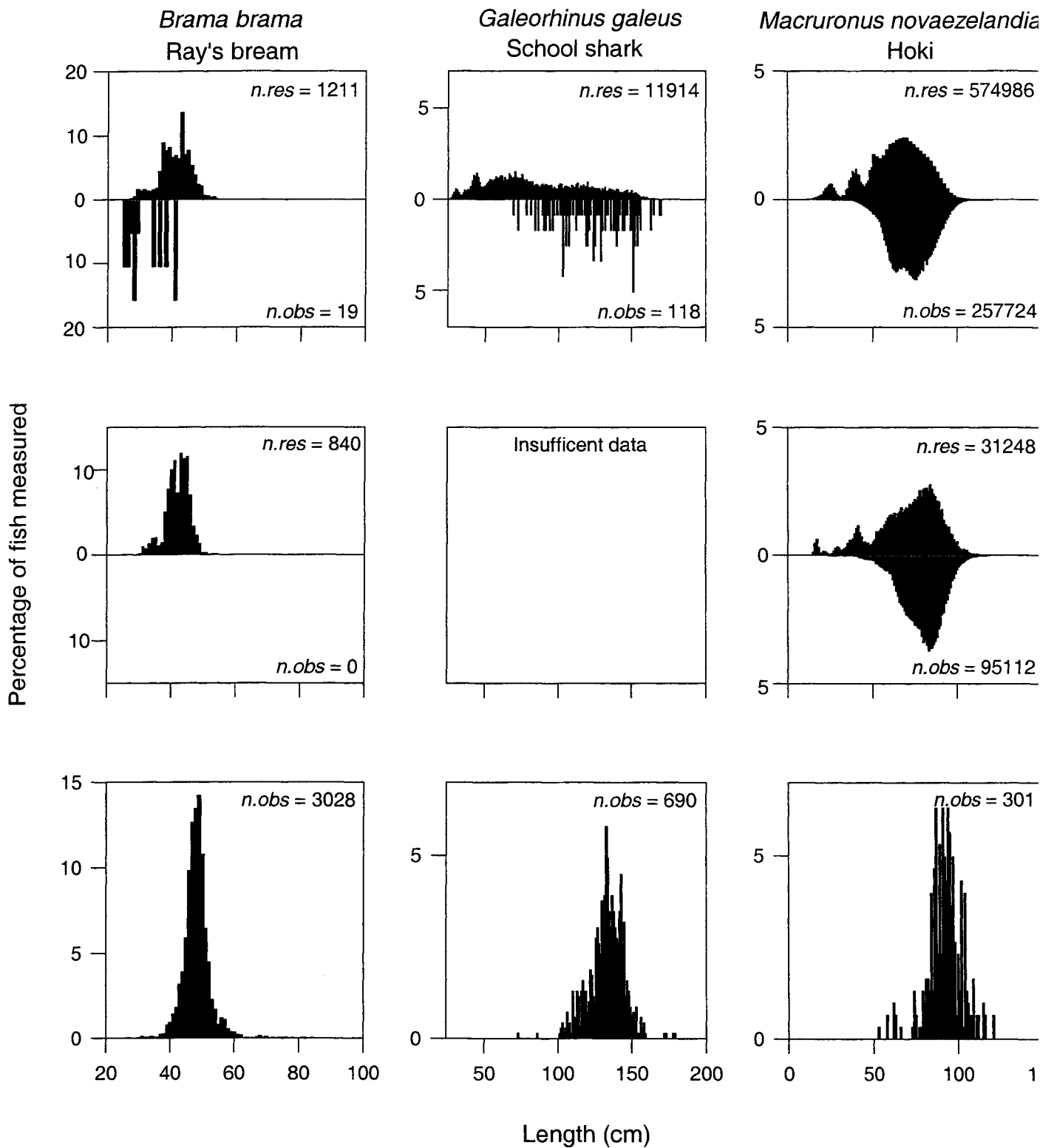


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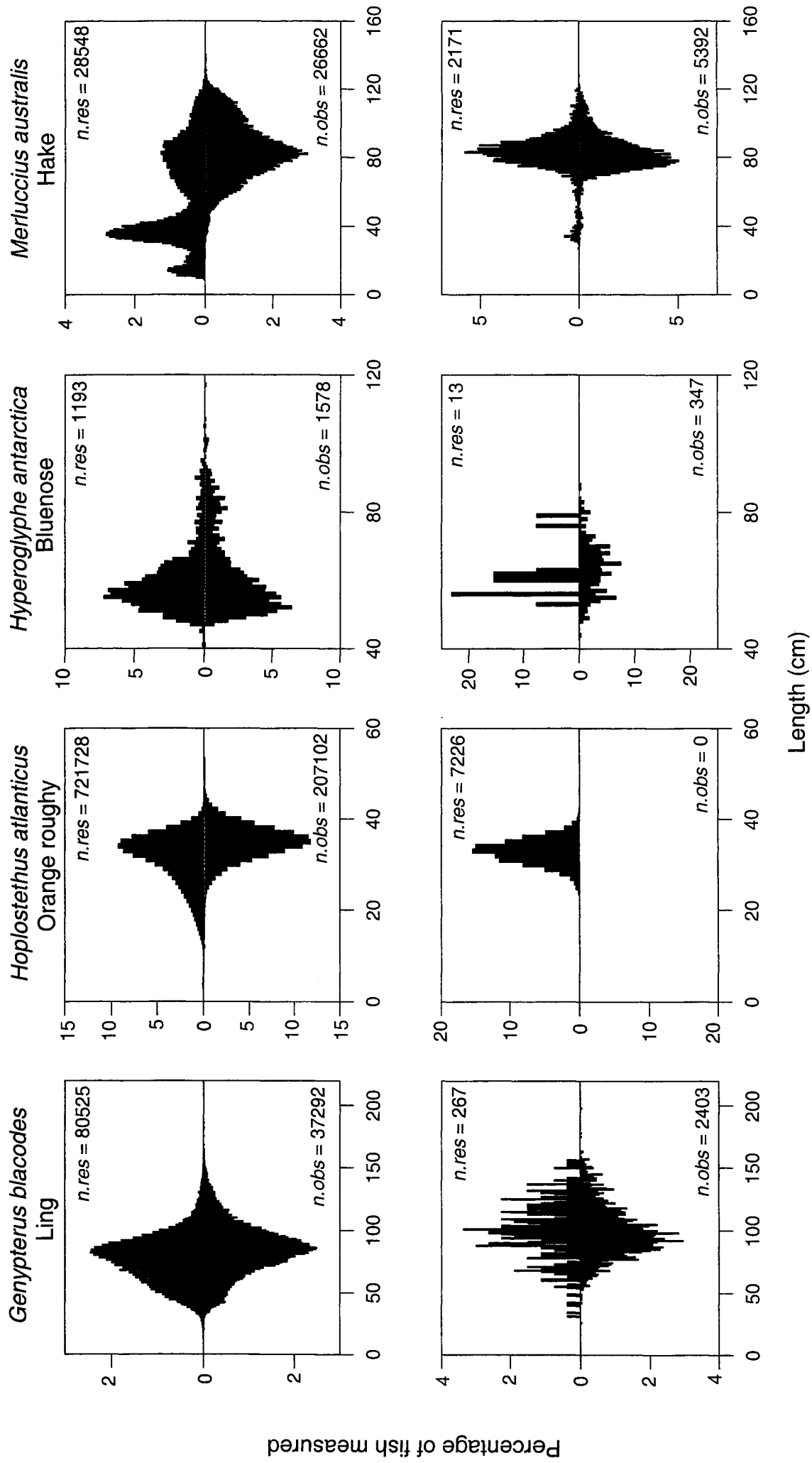


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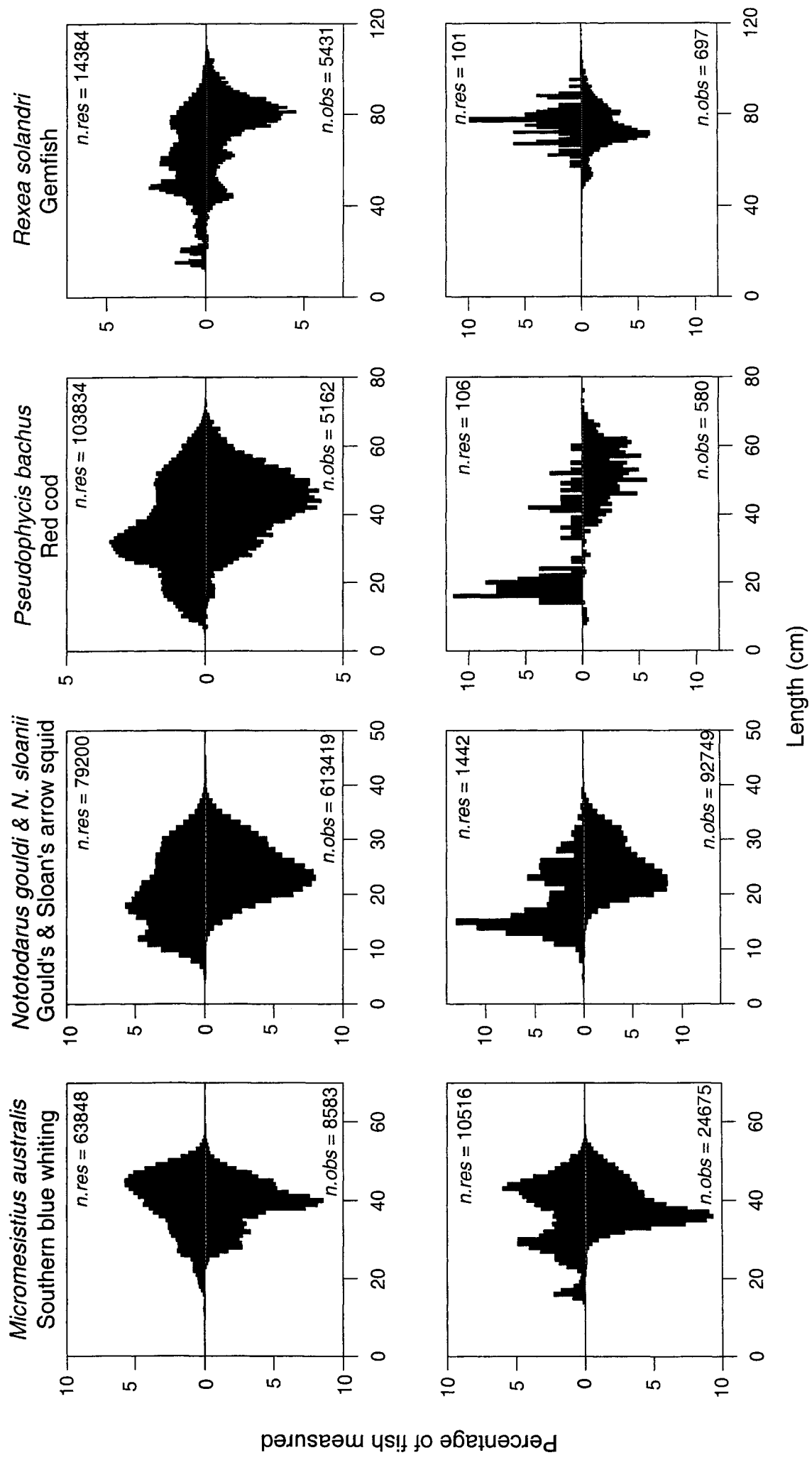


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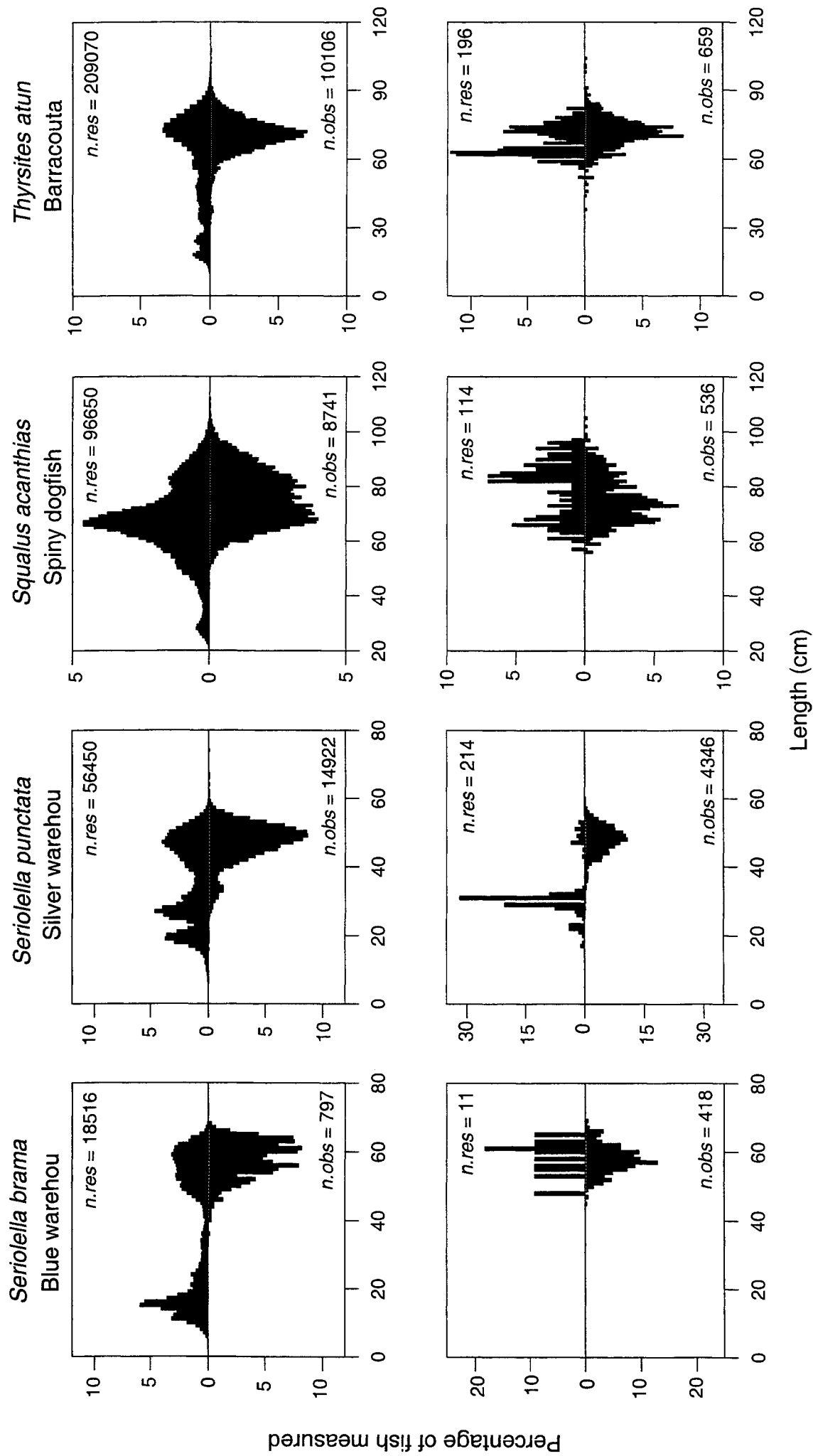


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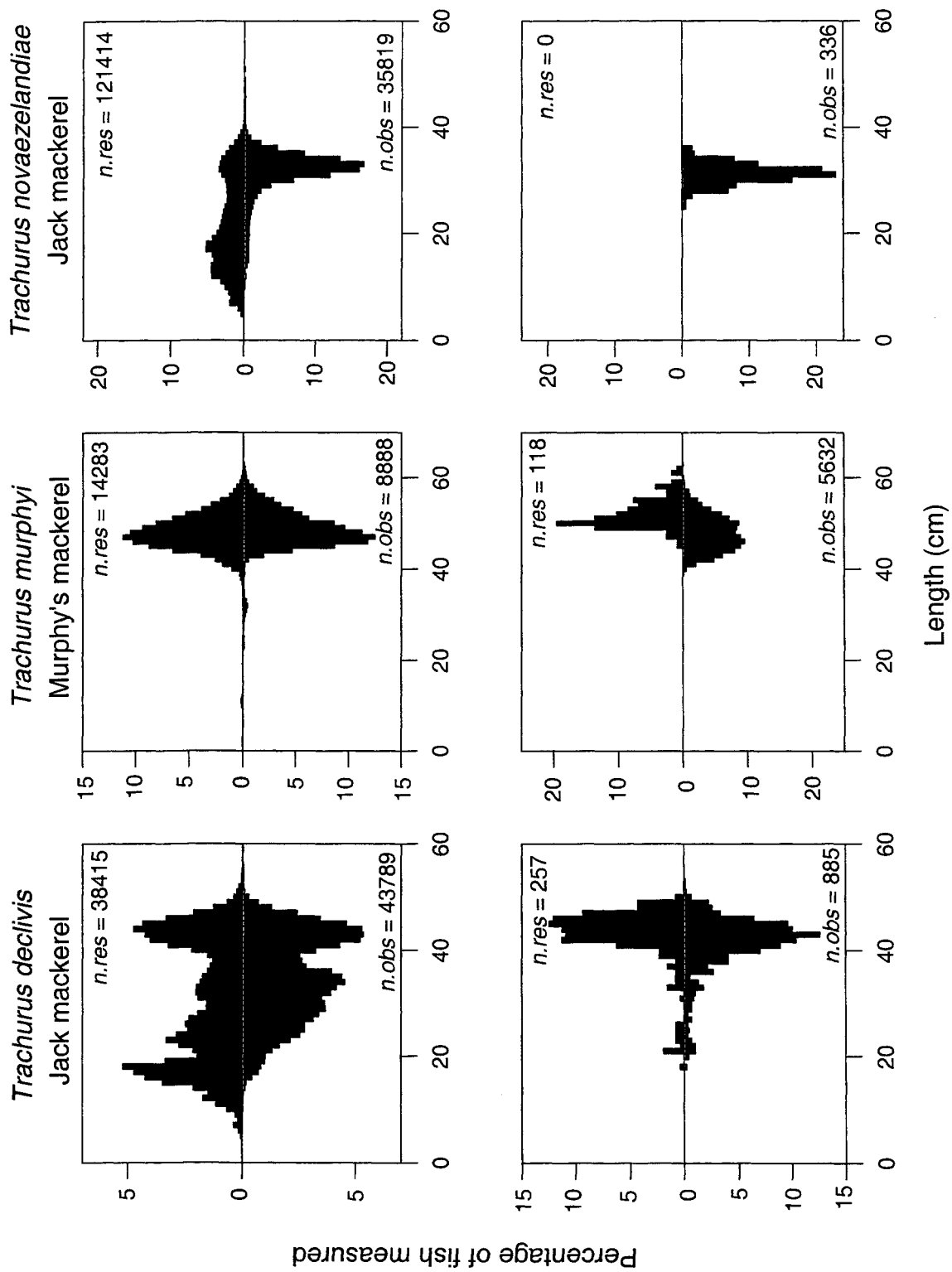


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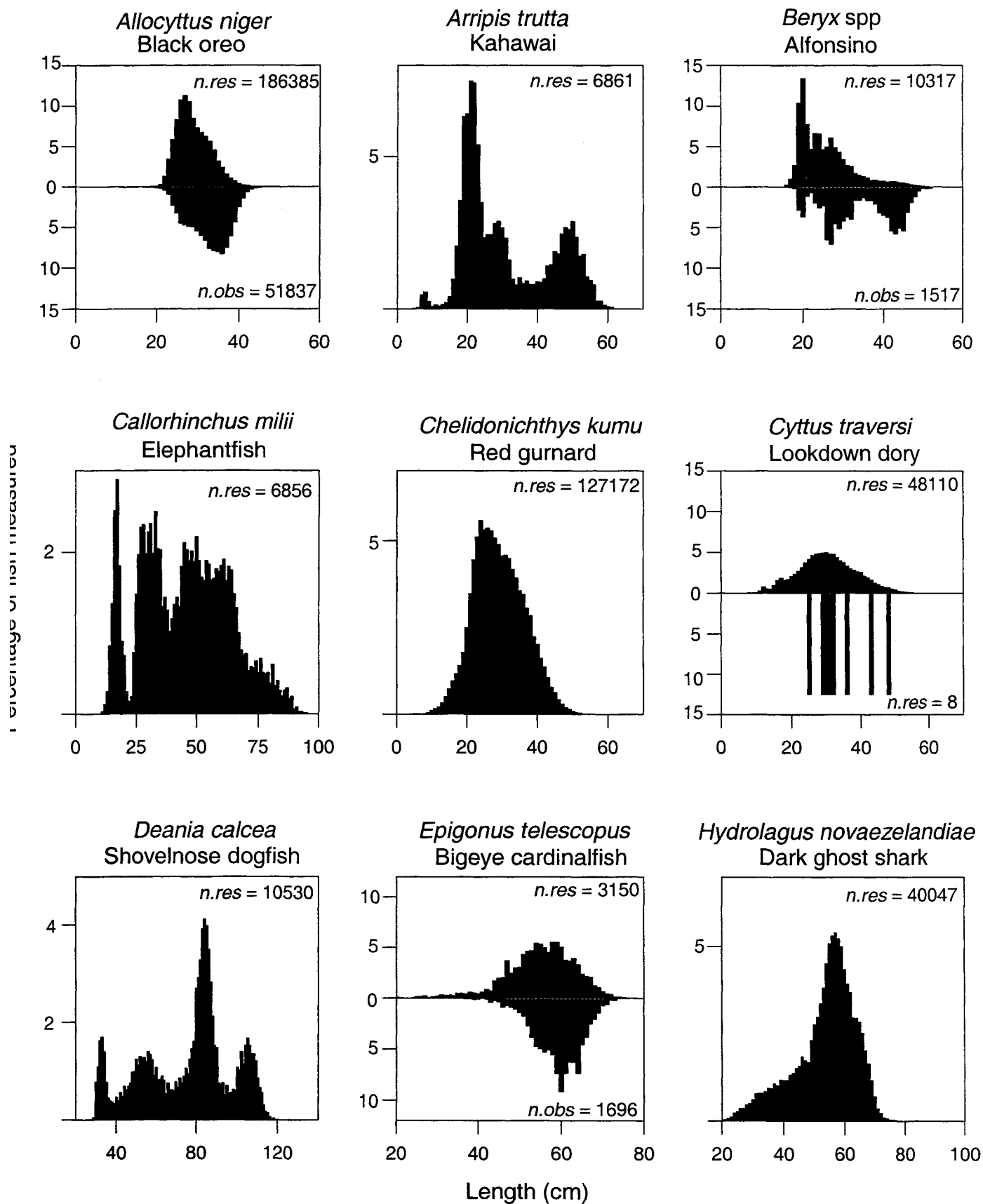


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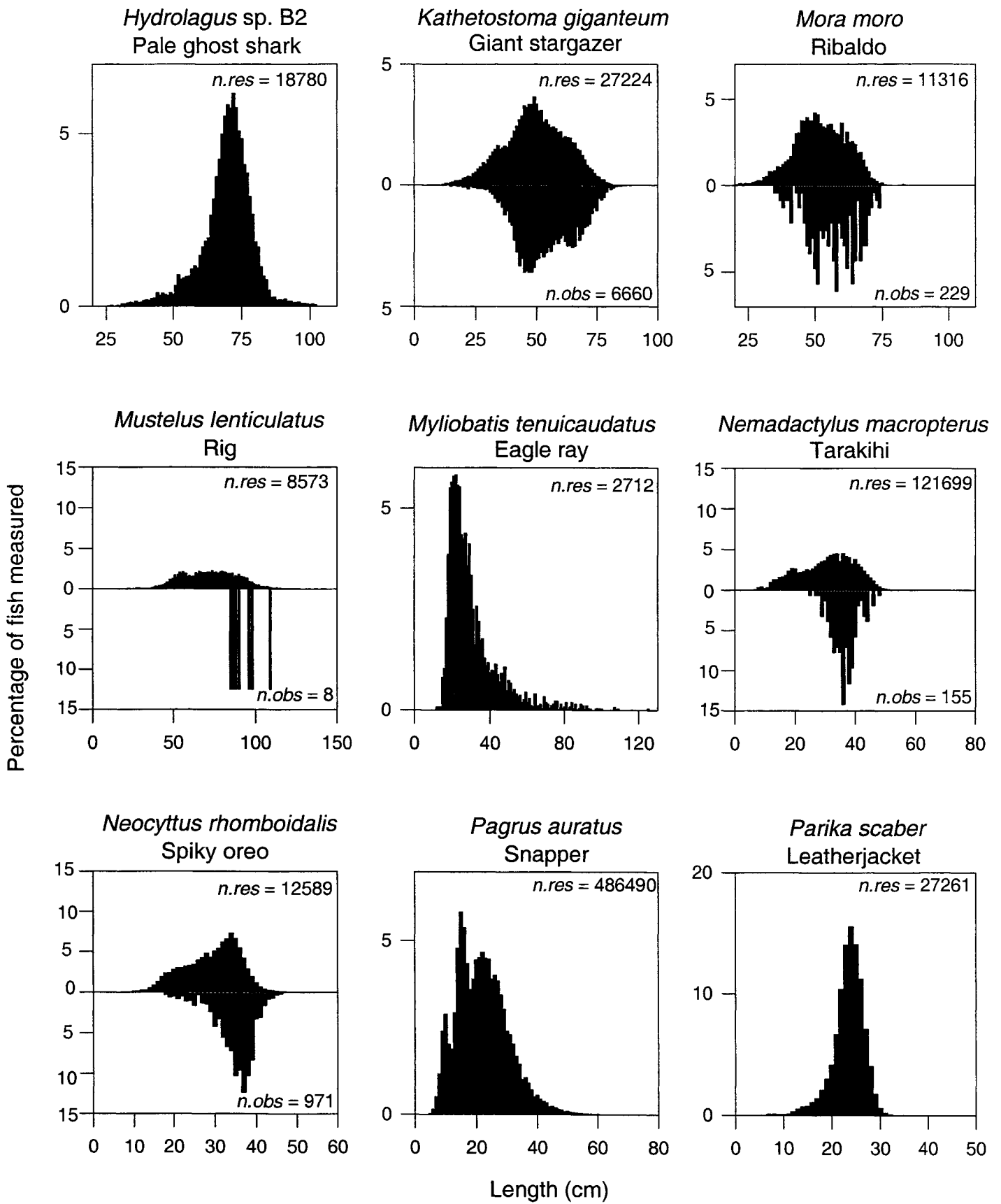


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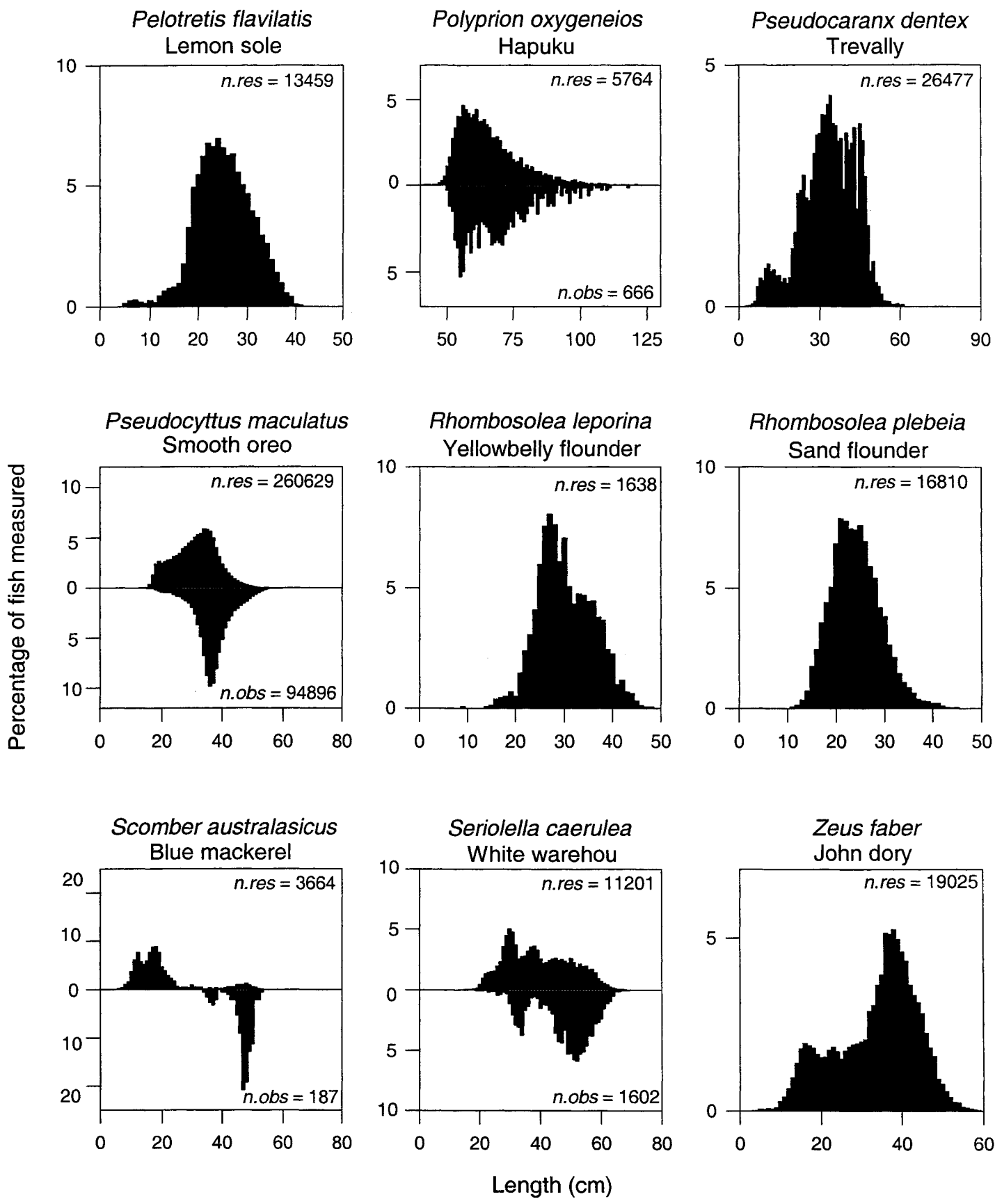
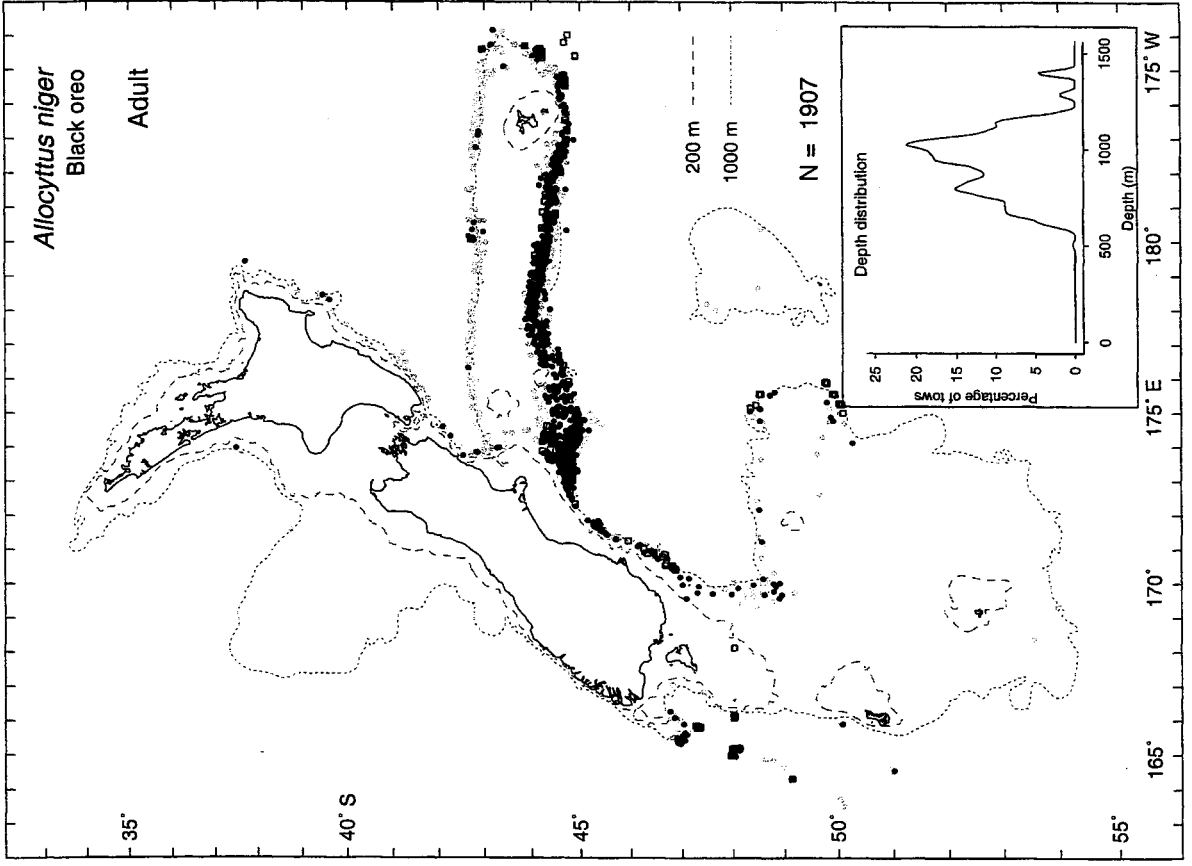
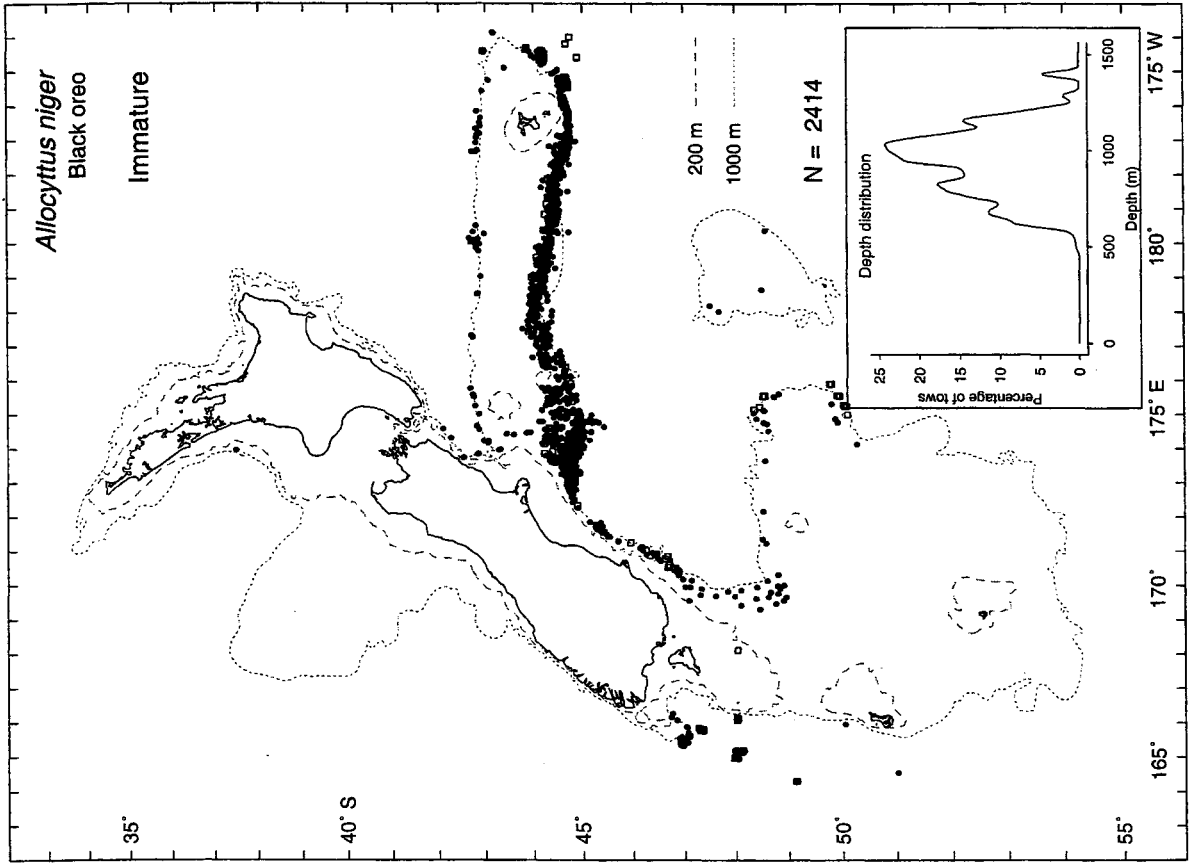


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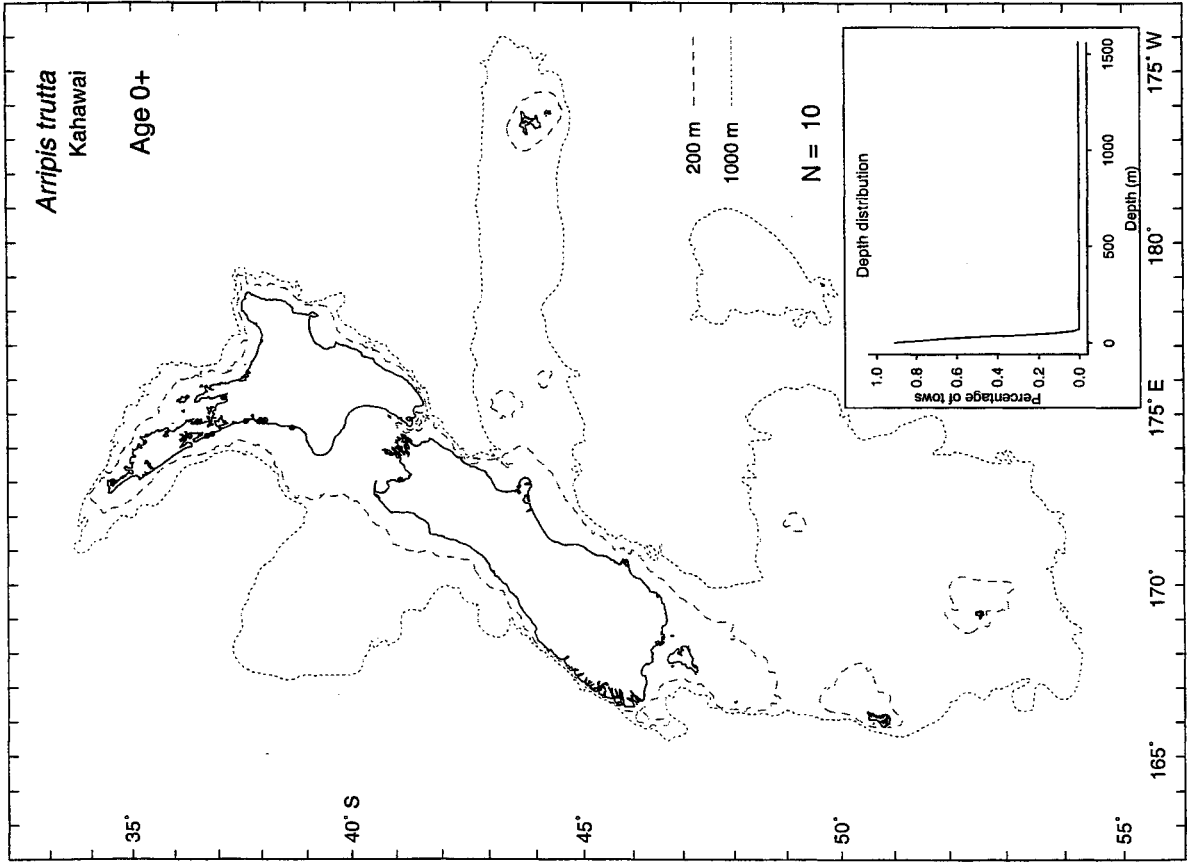
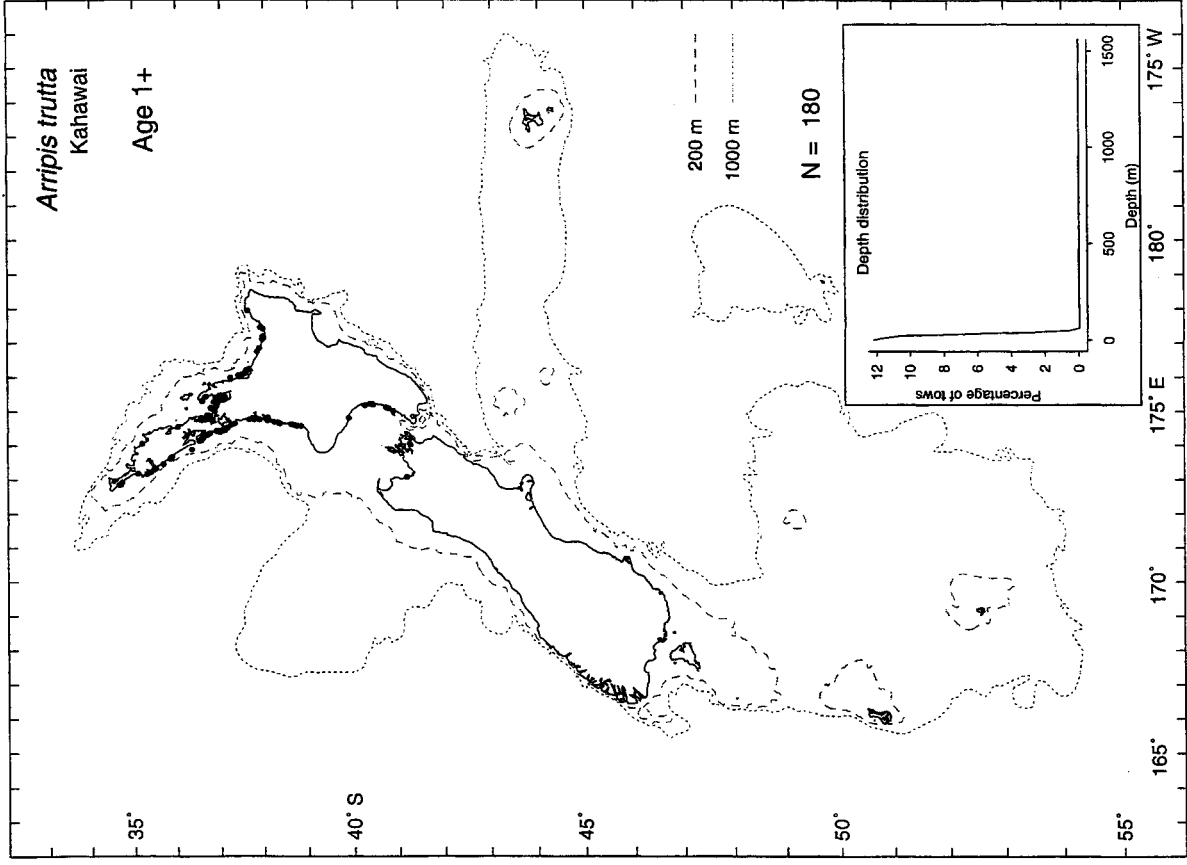
Bottom trawl distributions

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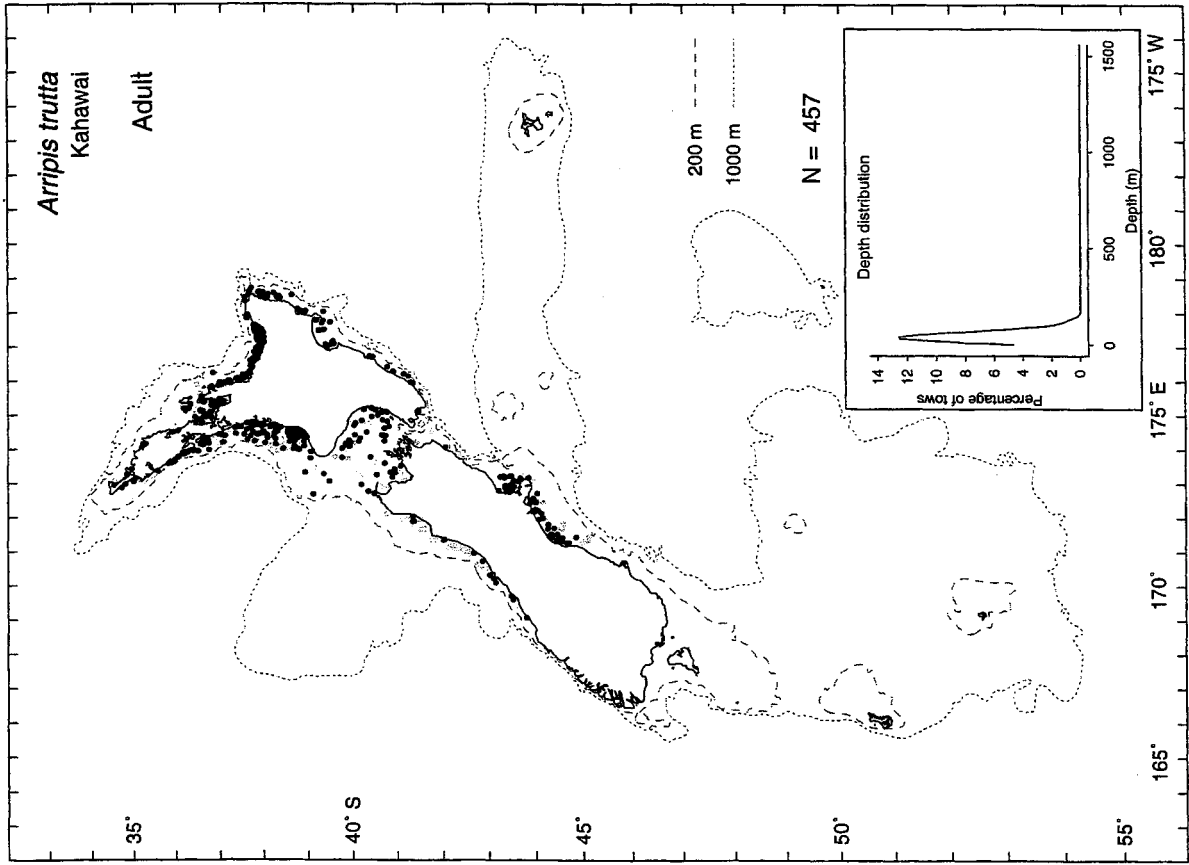
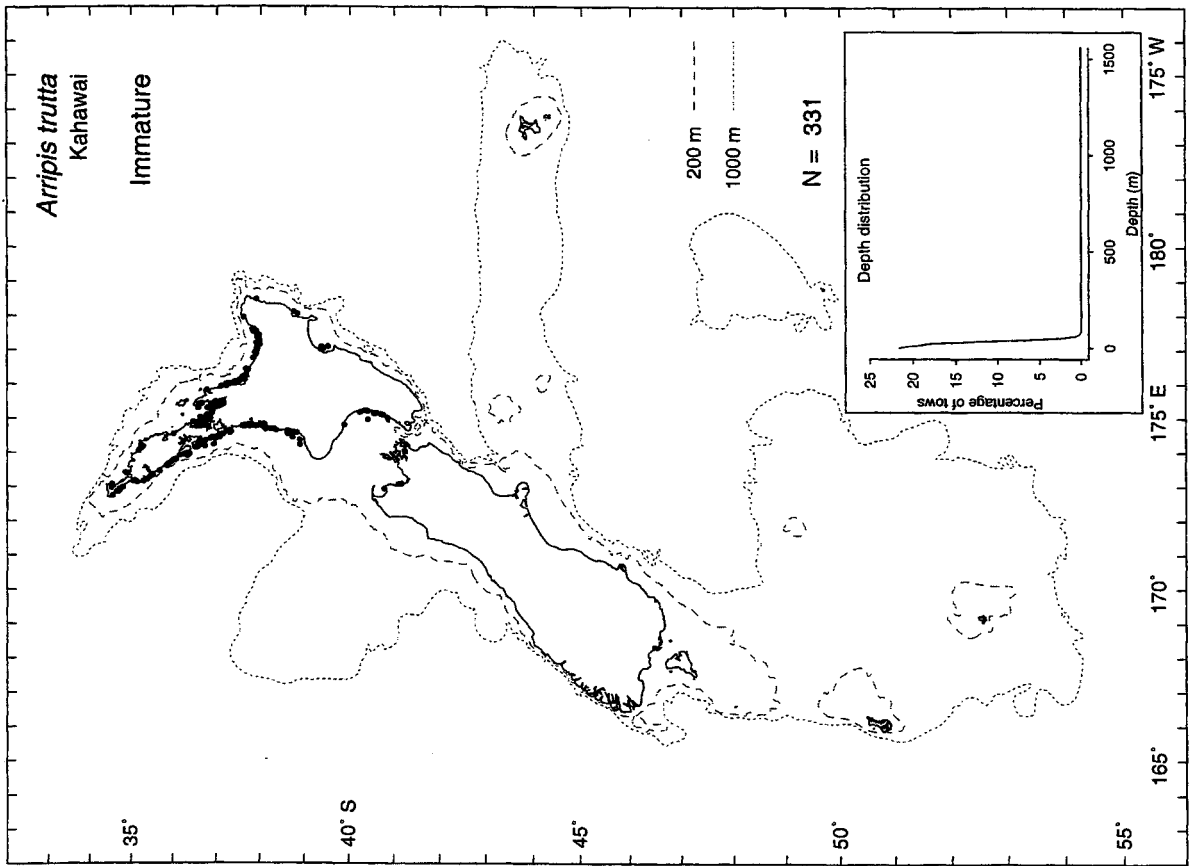
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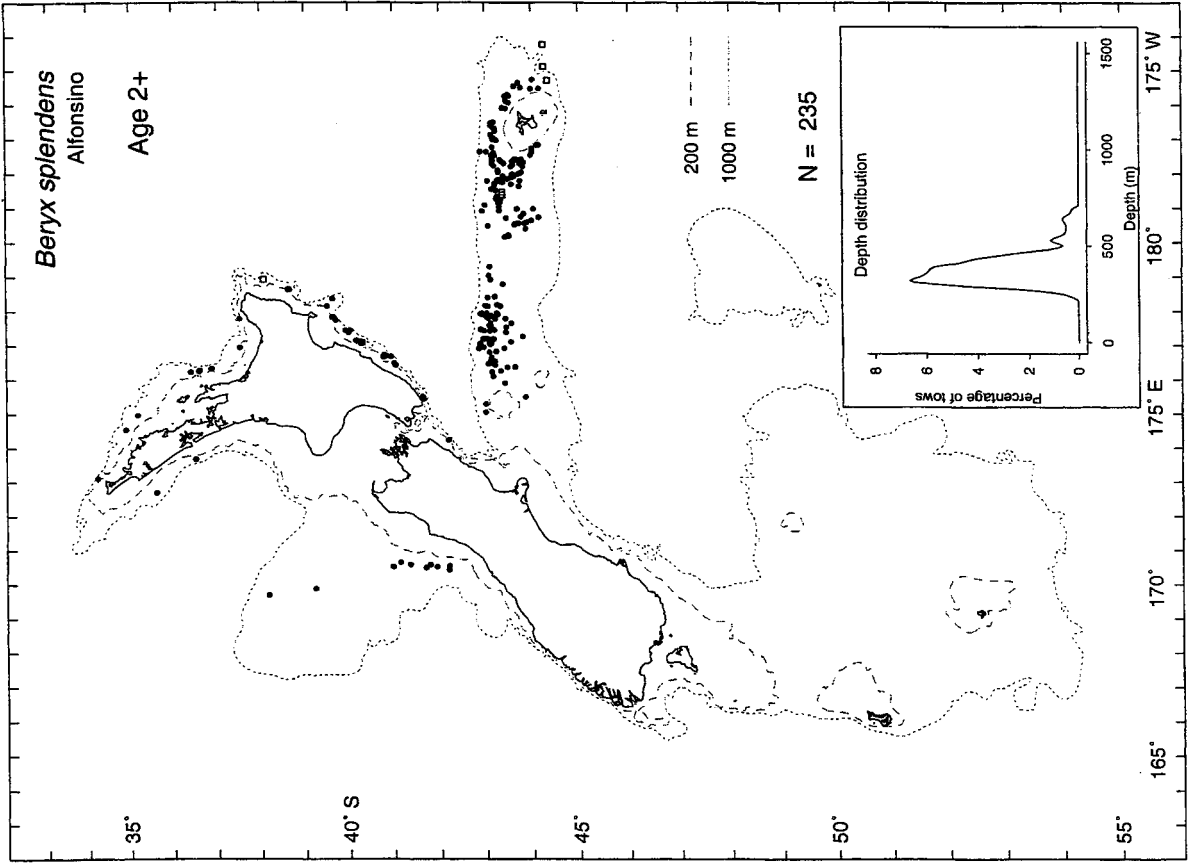
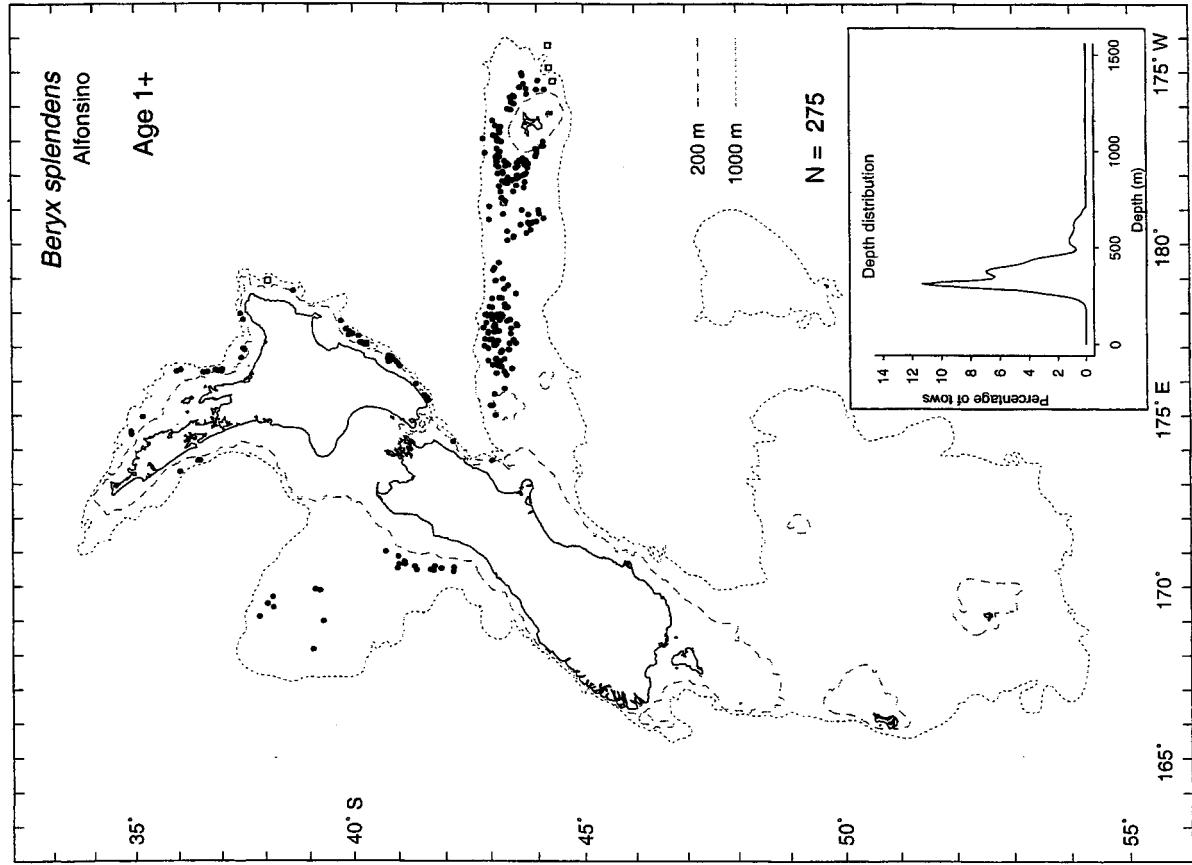
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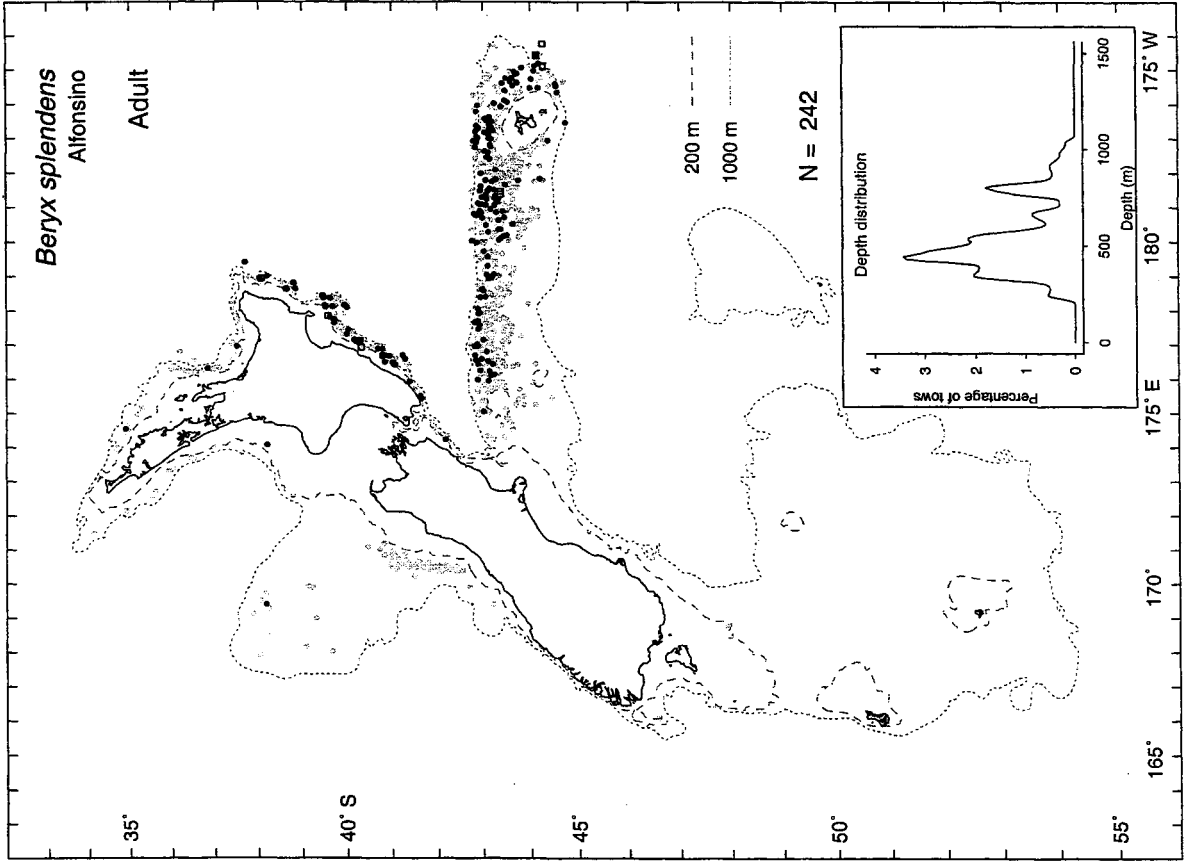
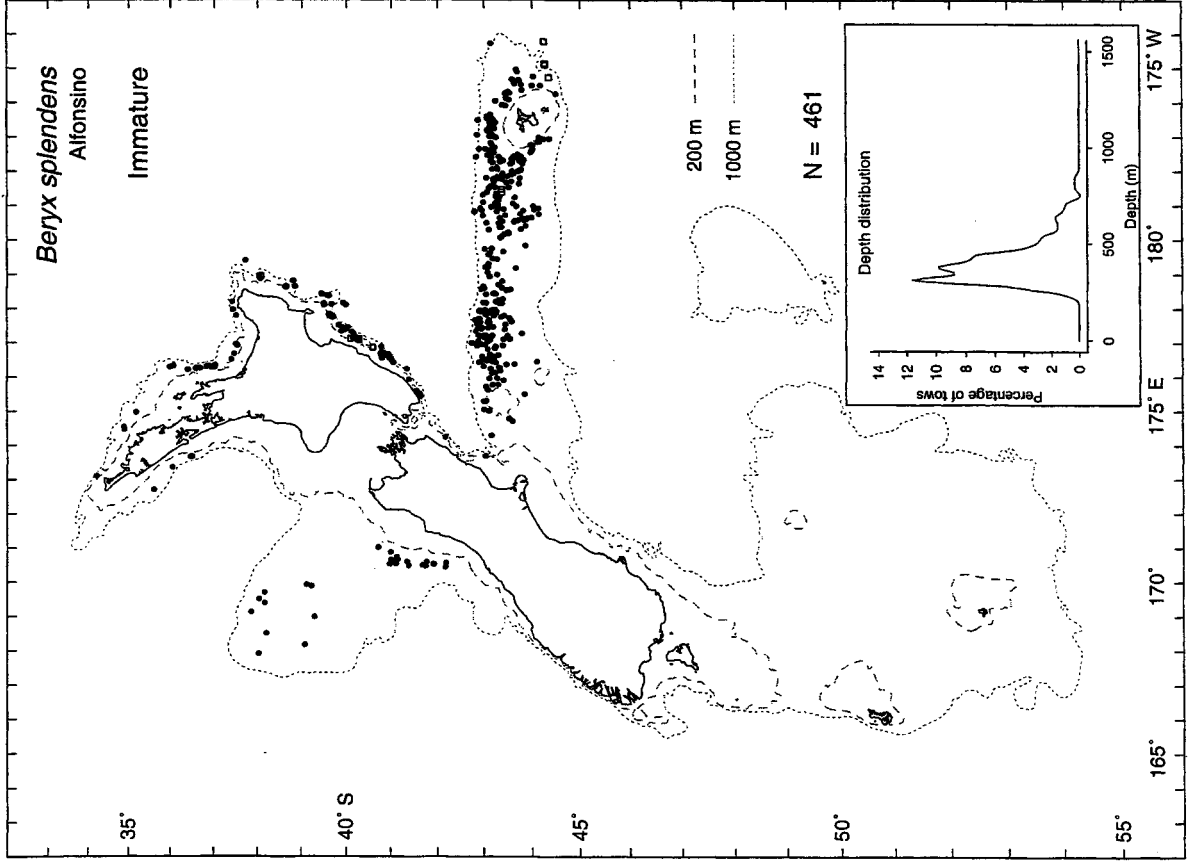
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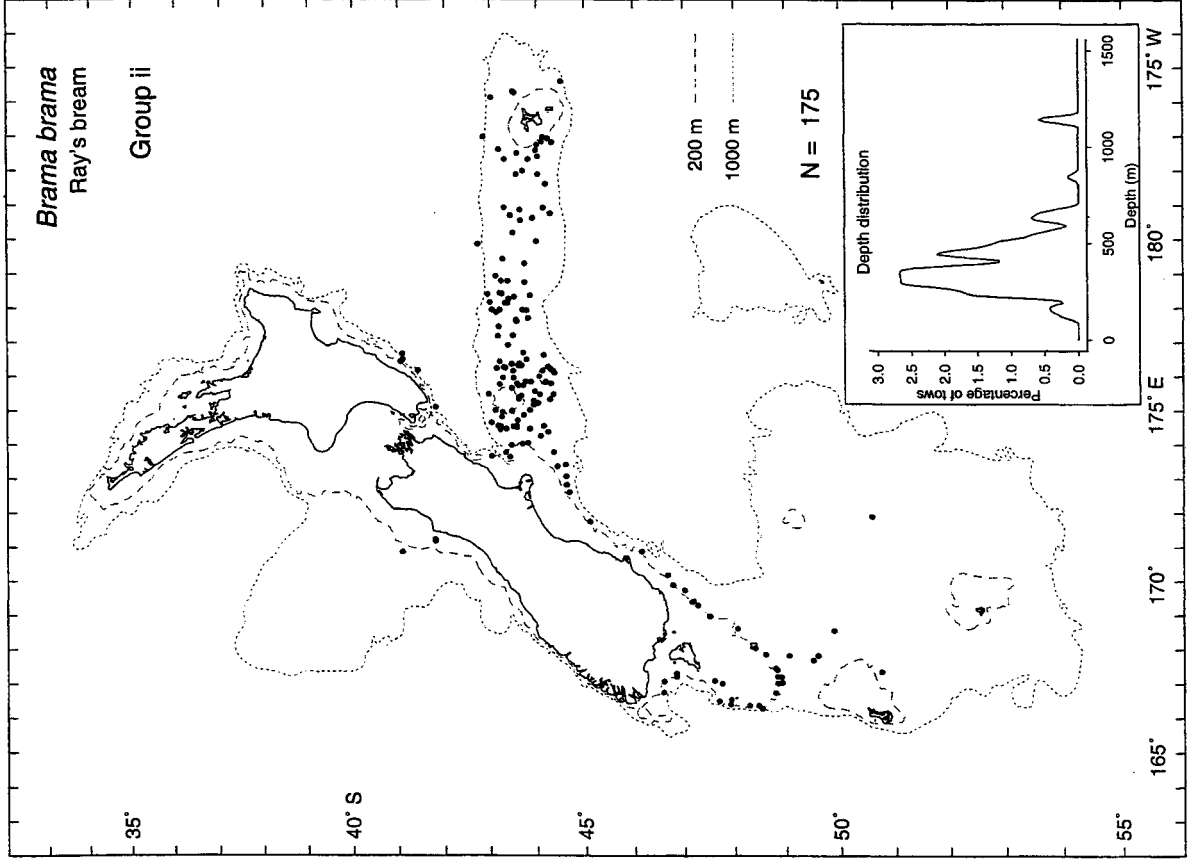
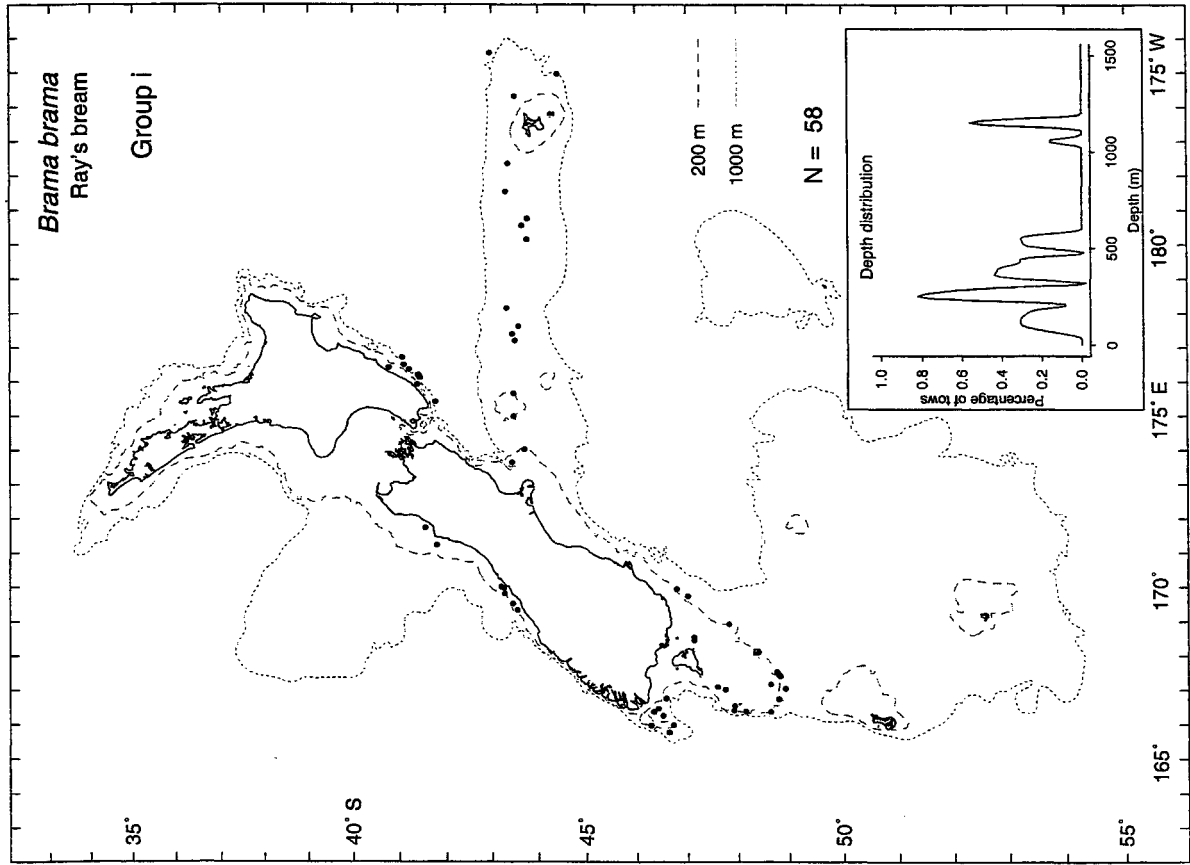
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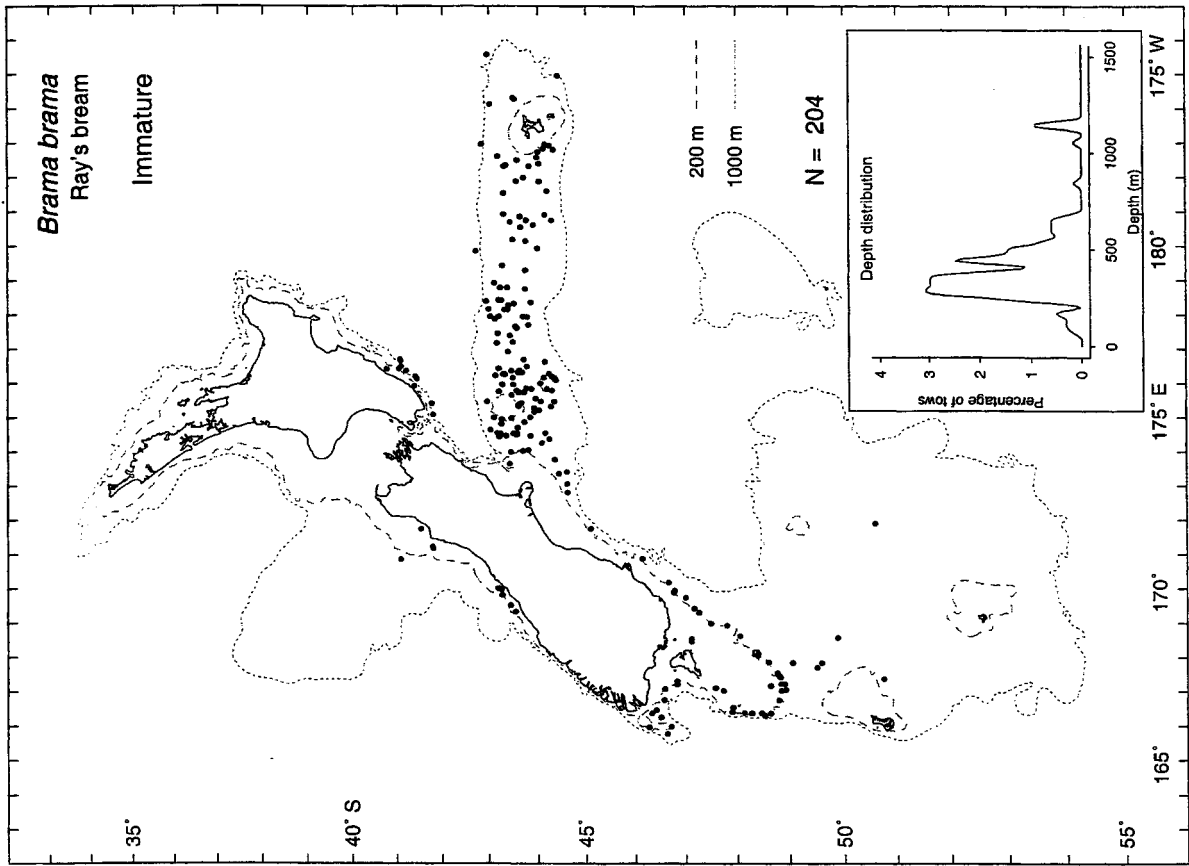
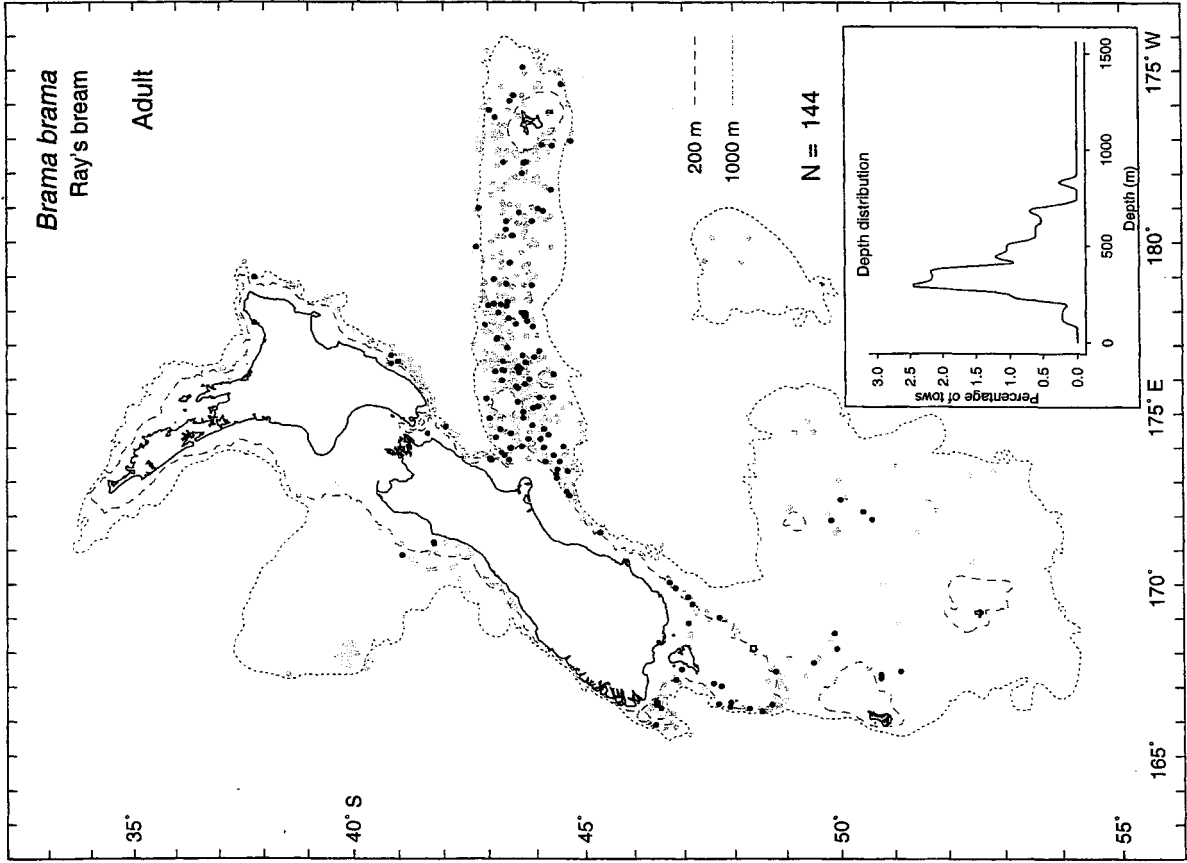
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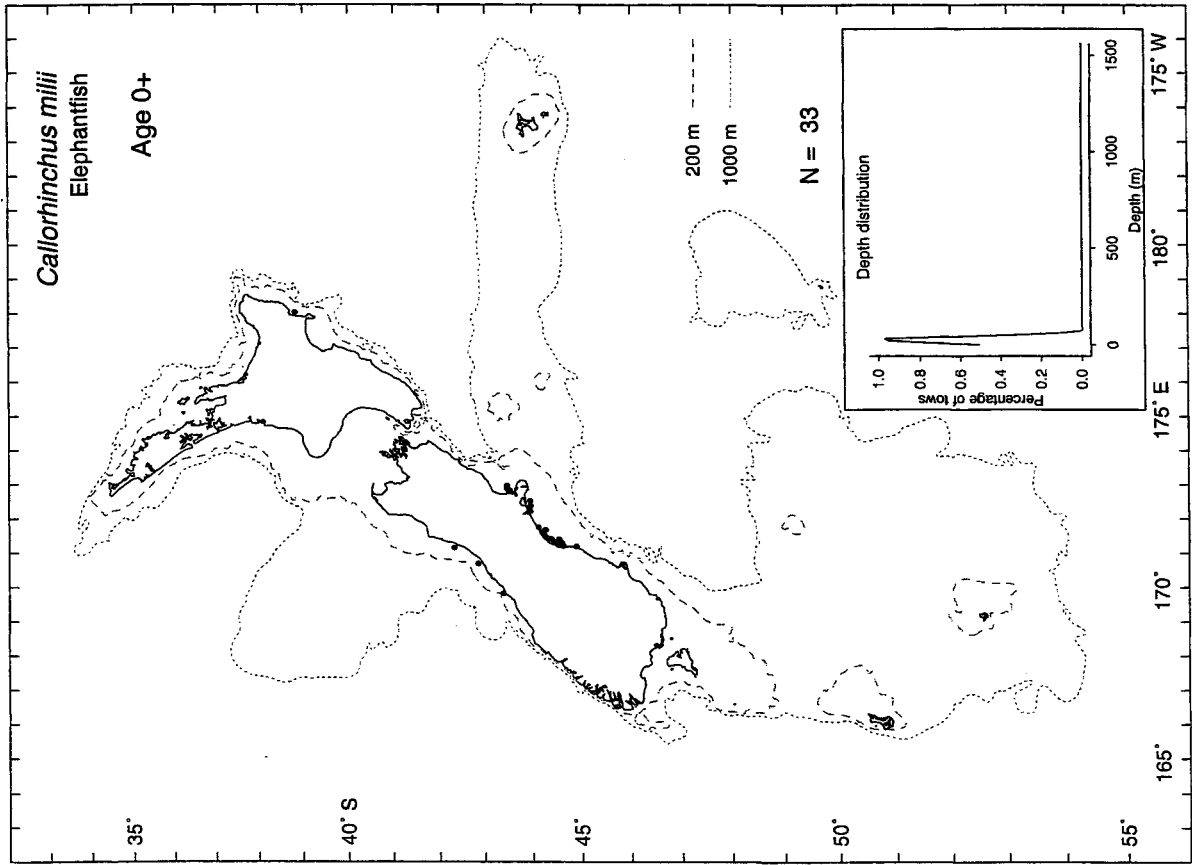
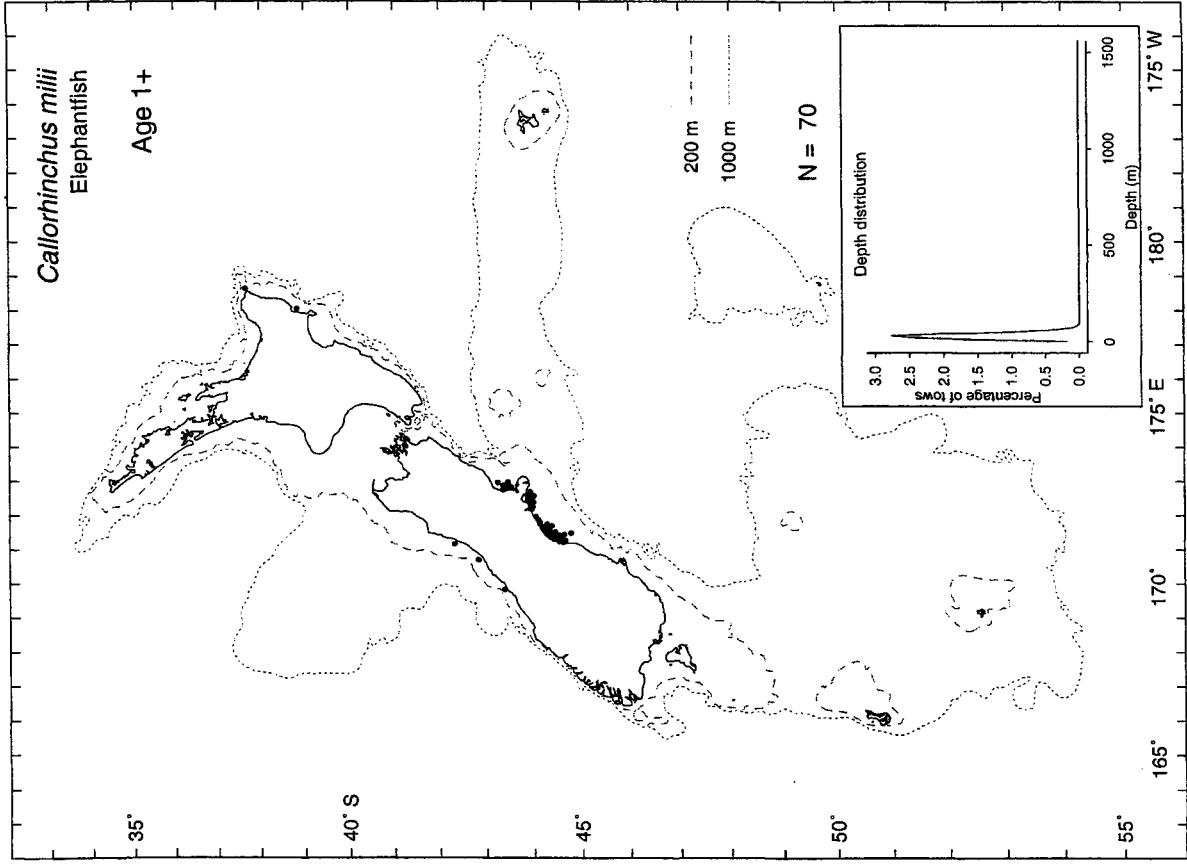


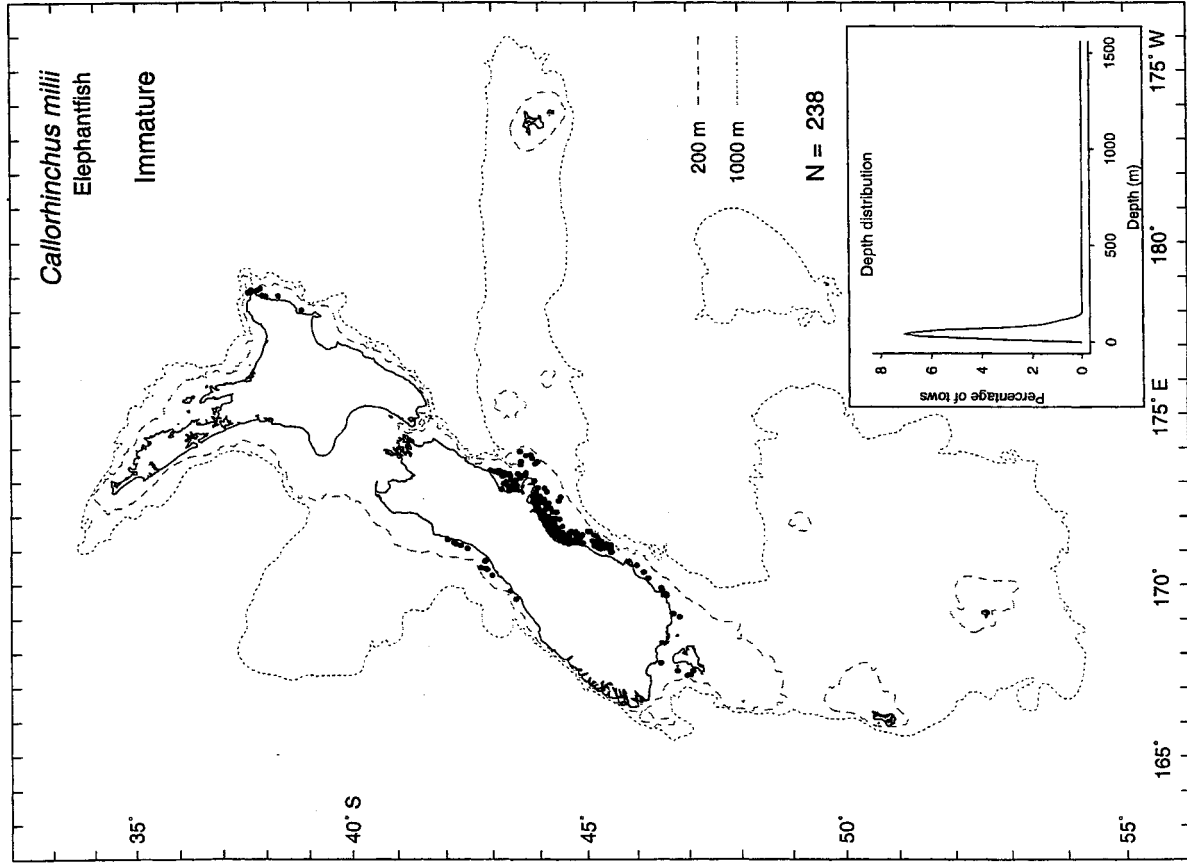
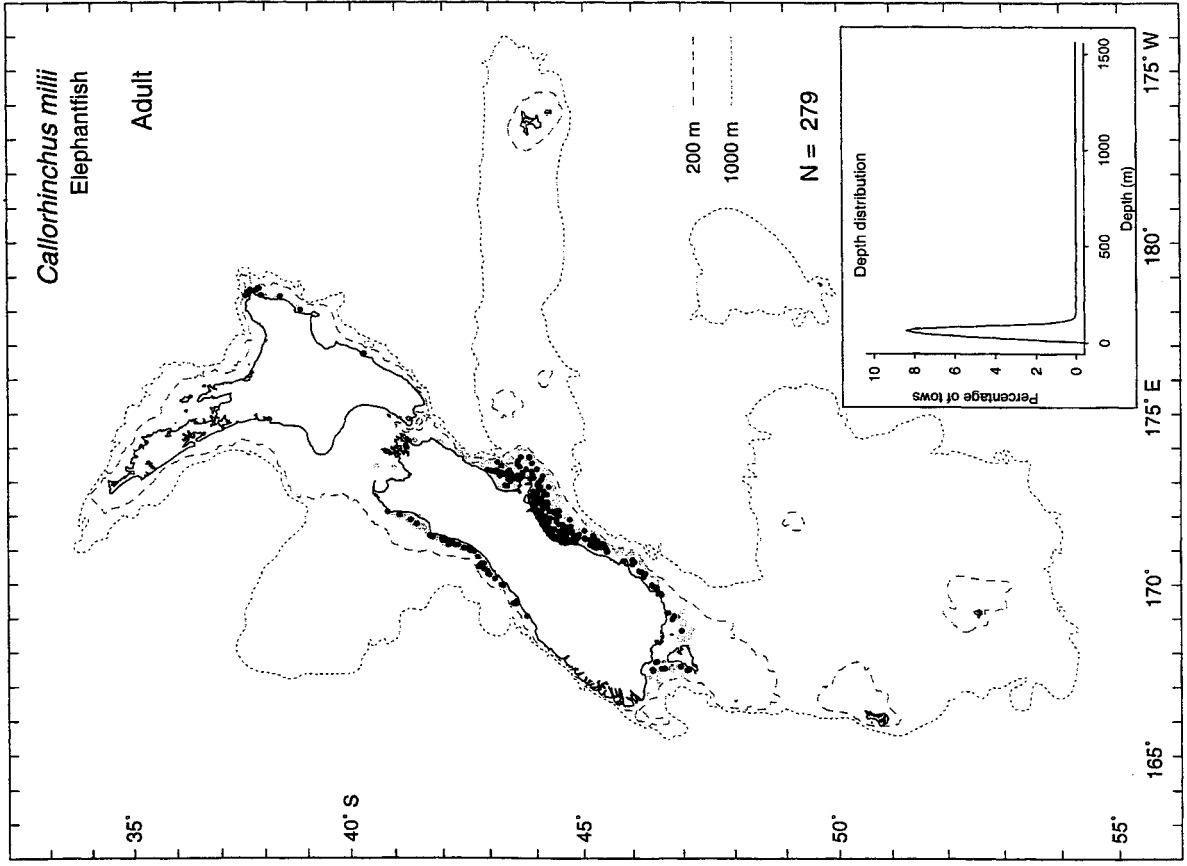
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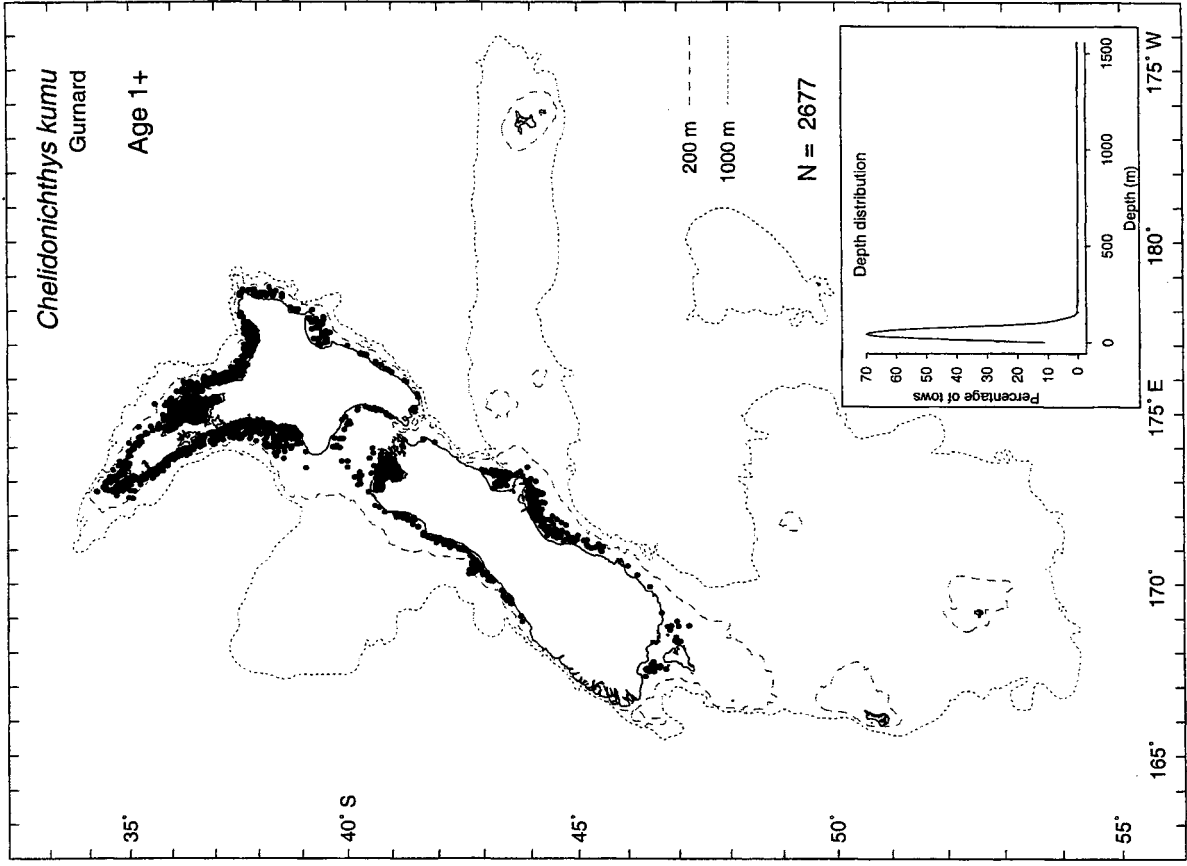
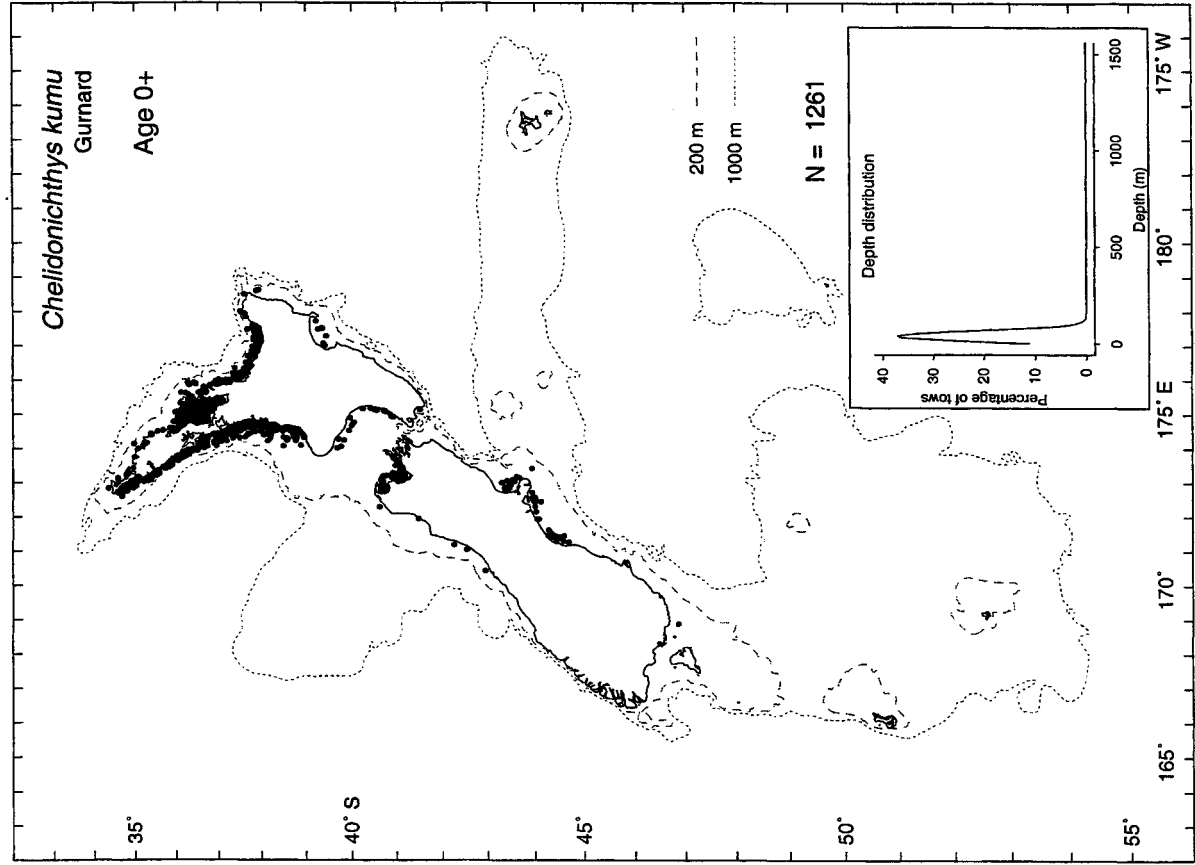


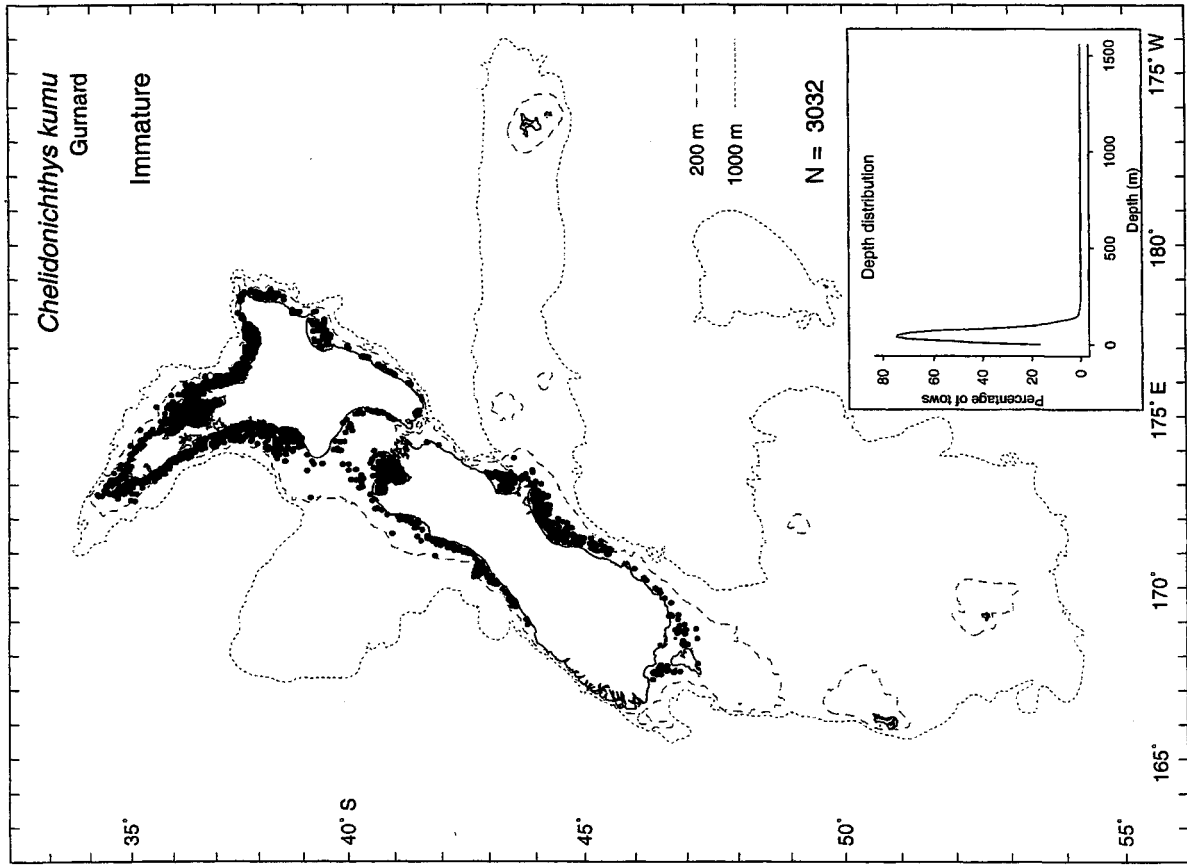
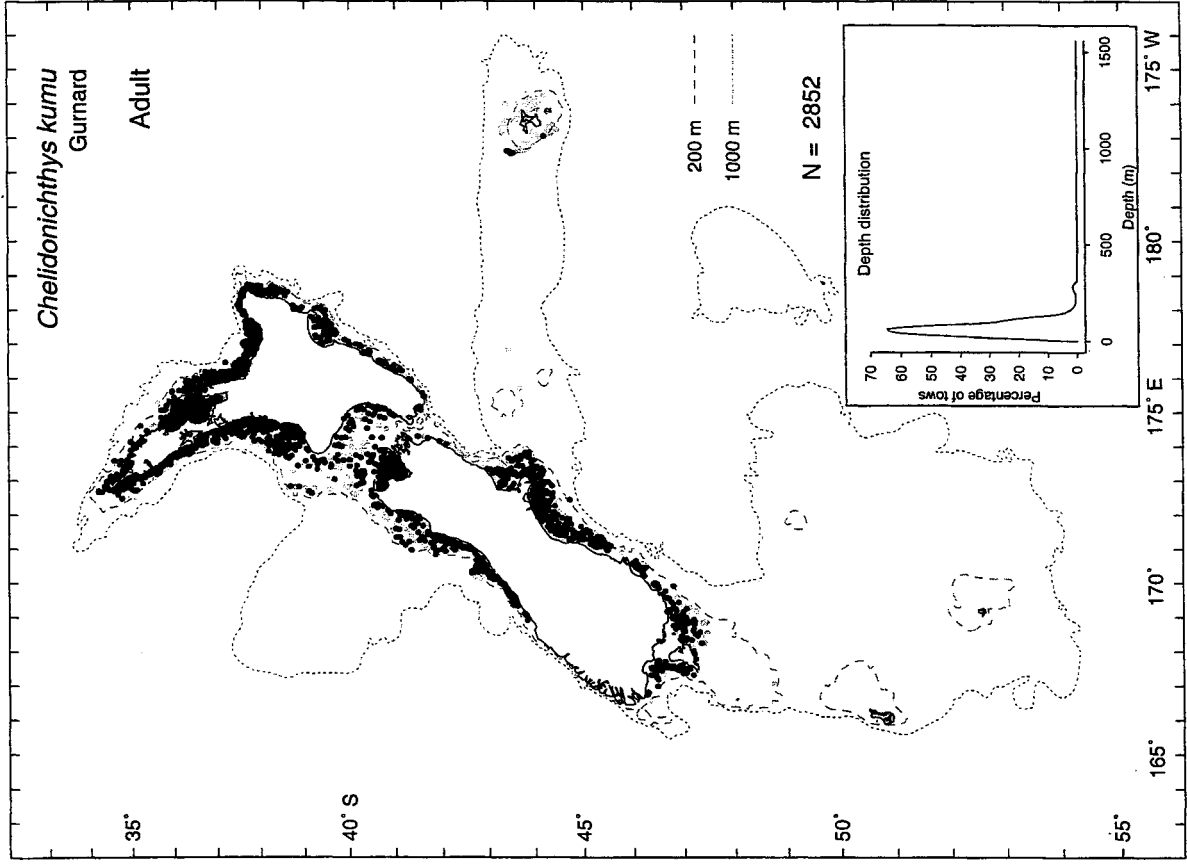
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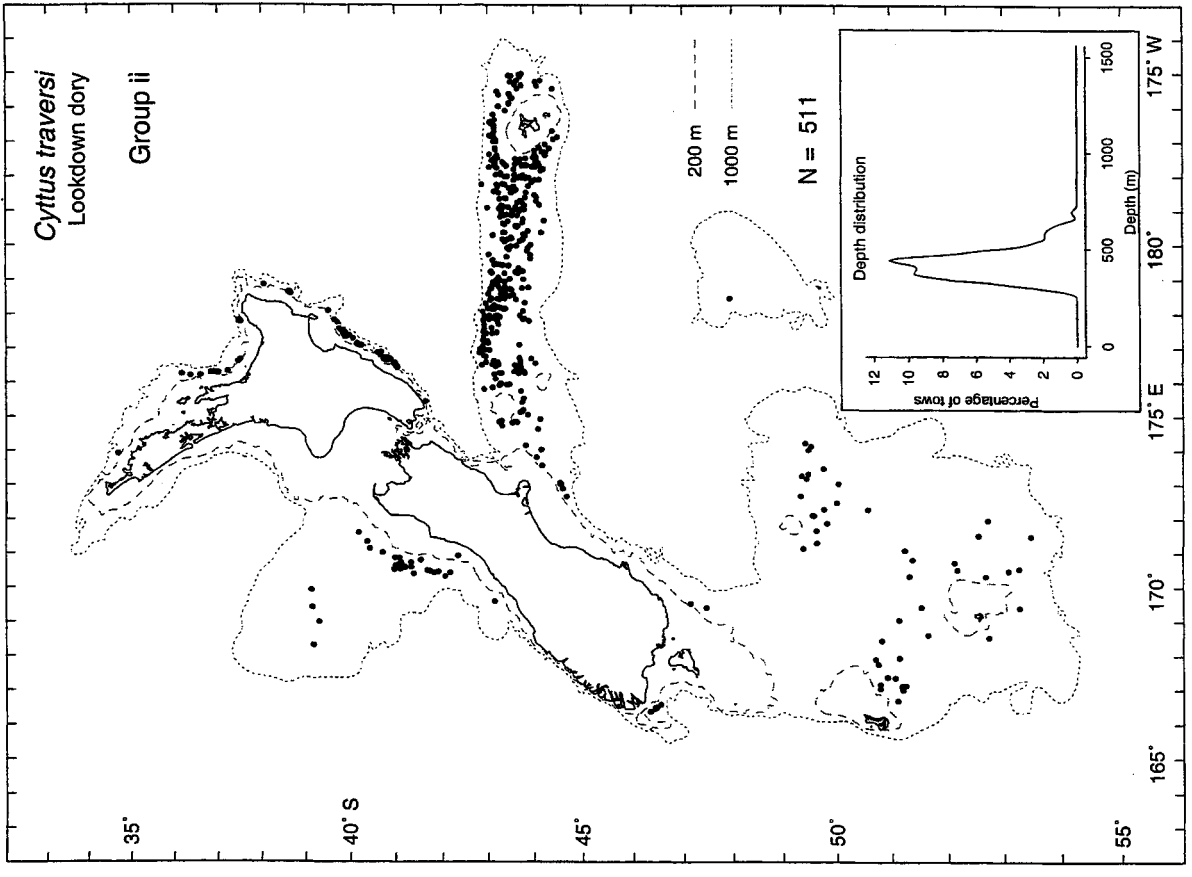
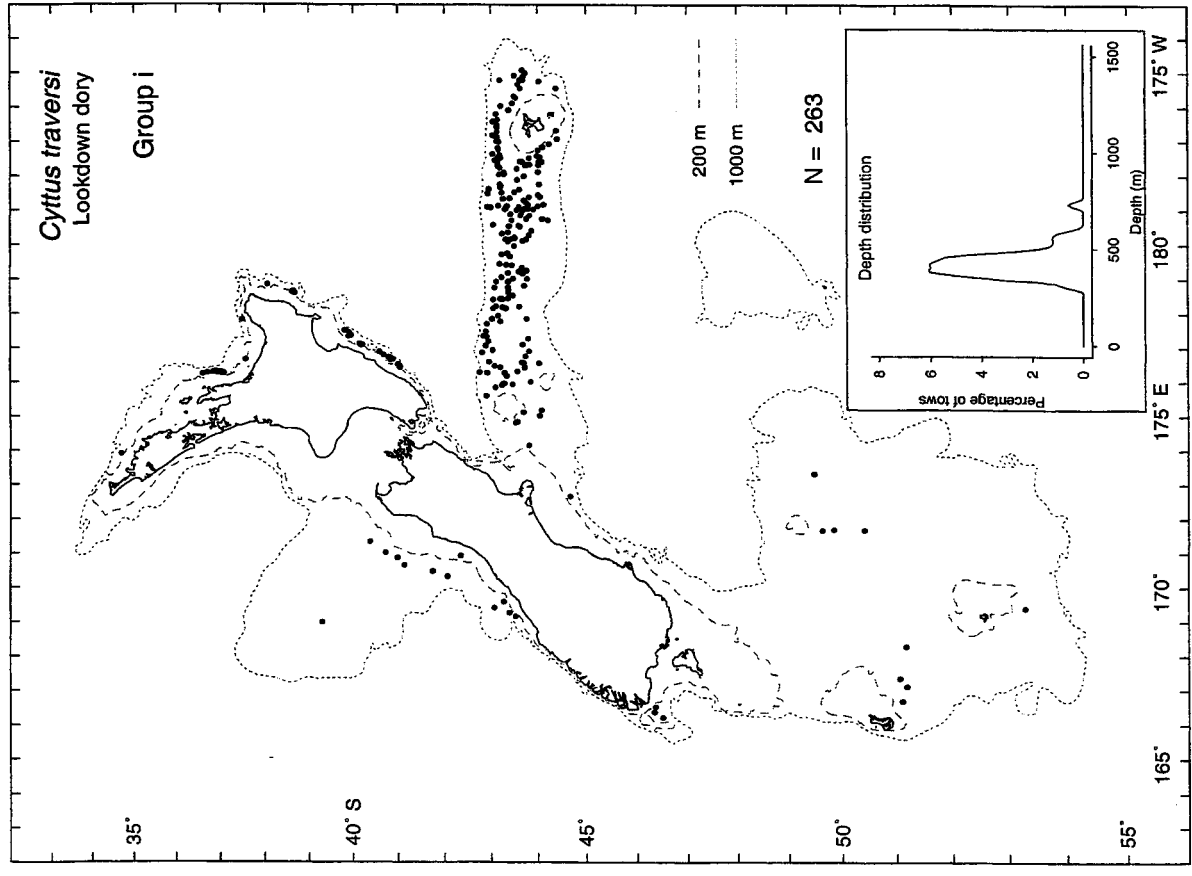




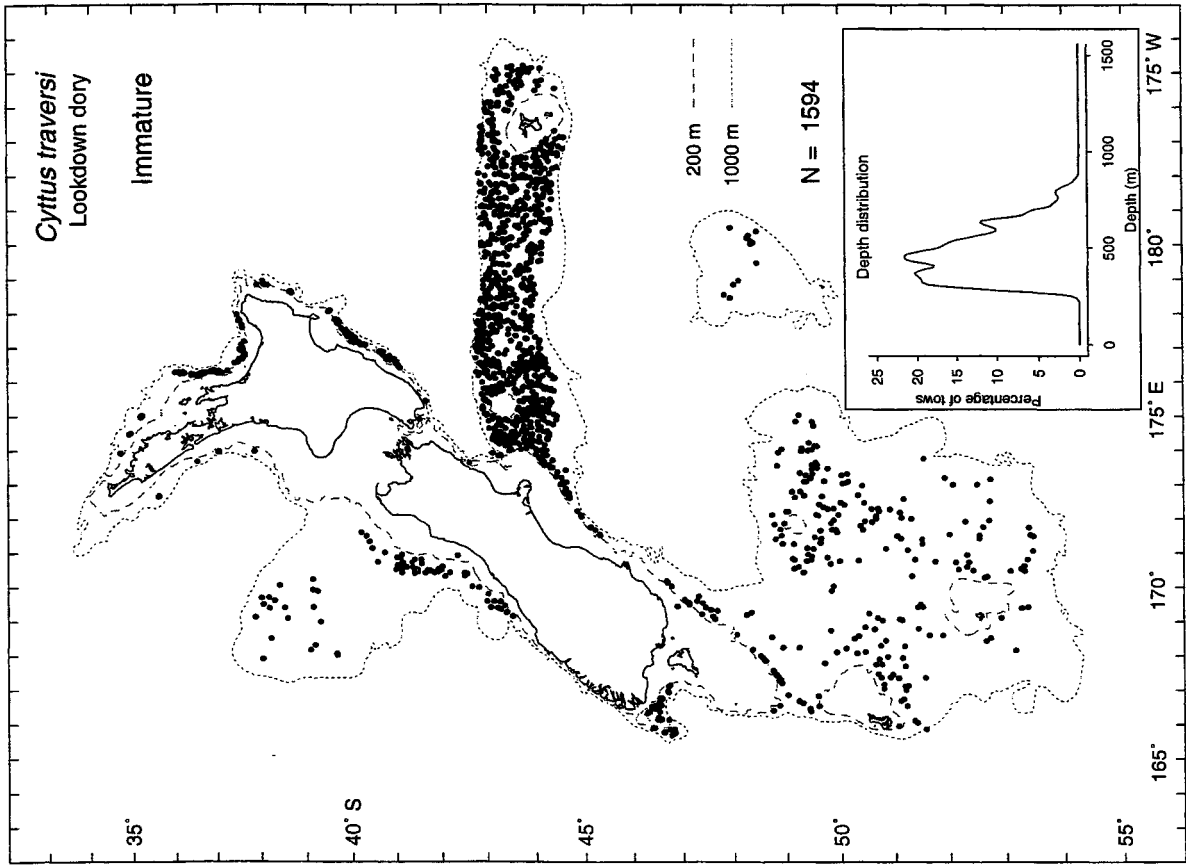
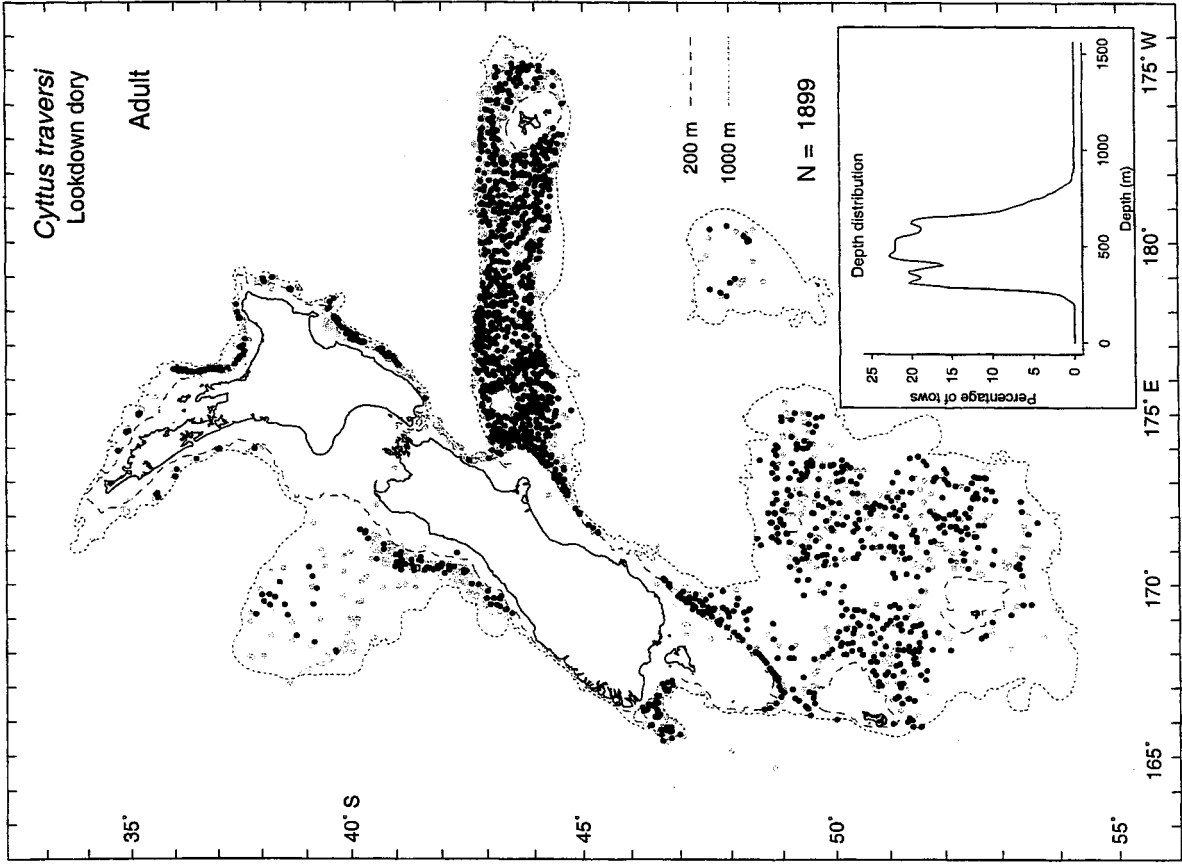


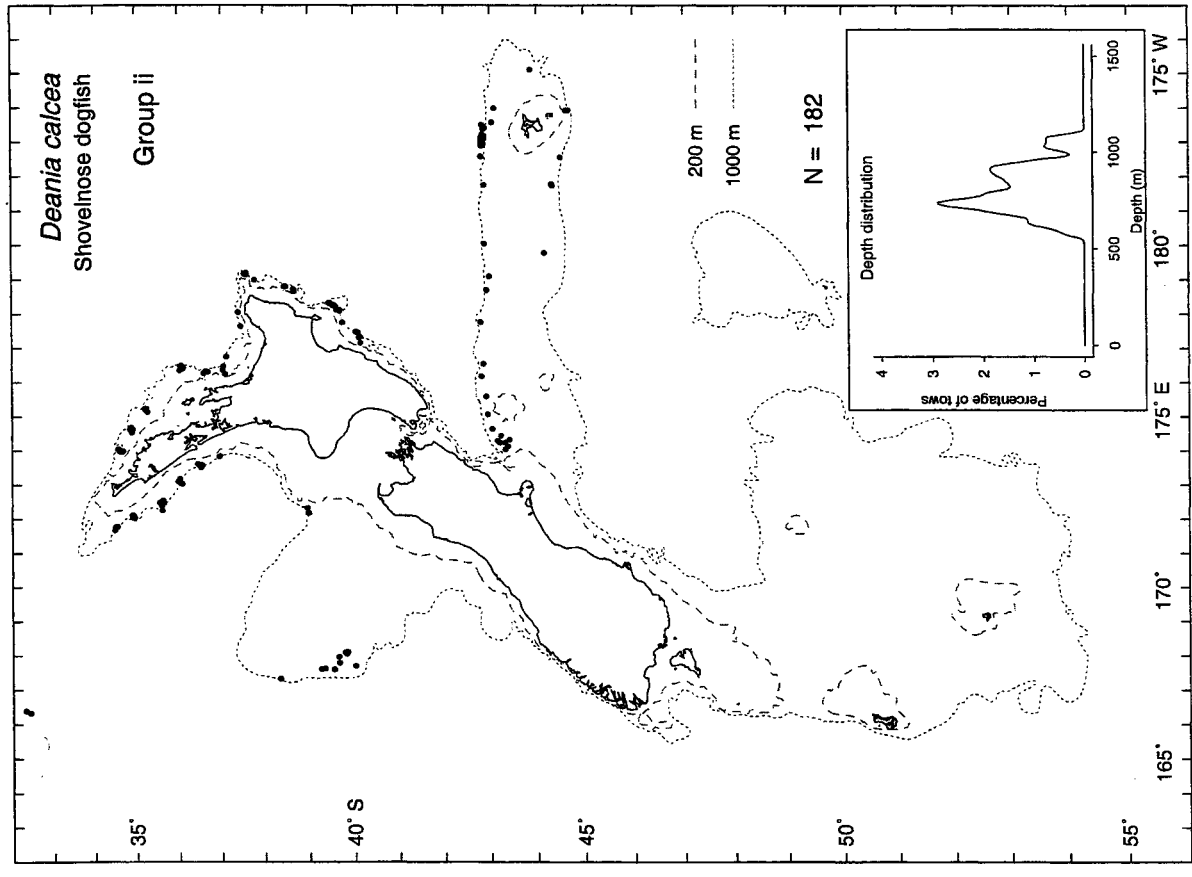
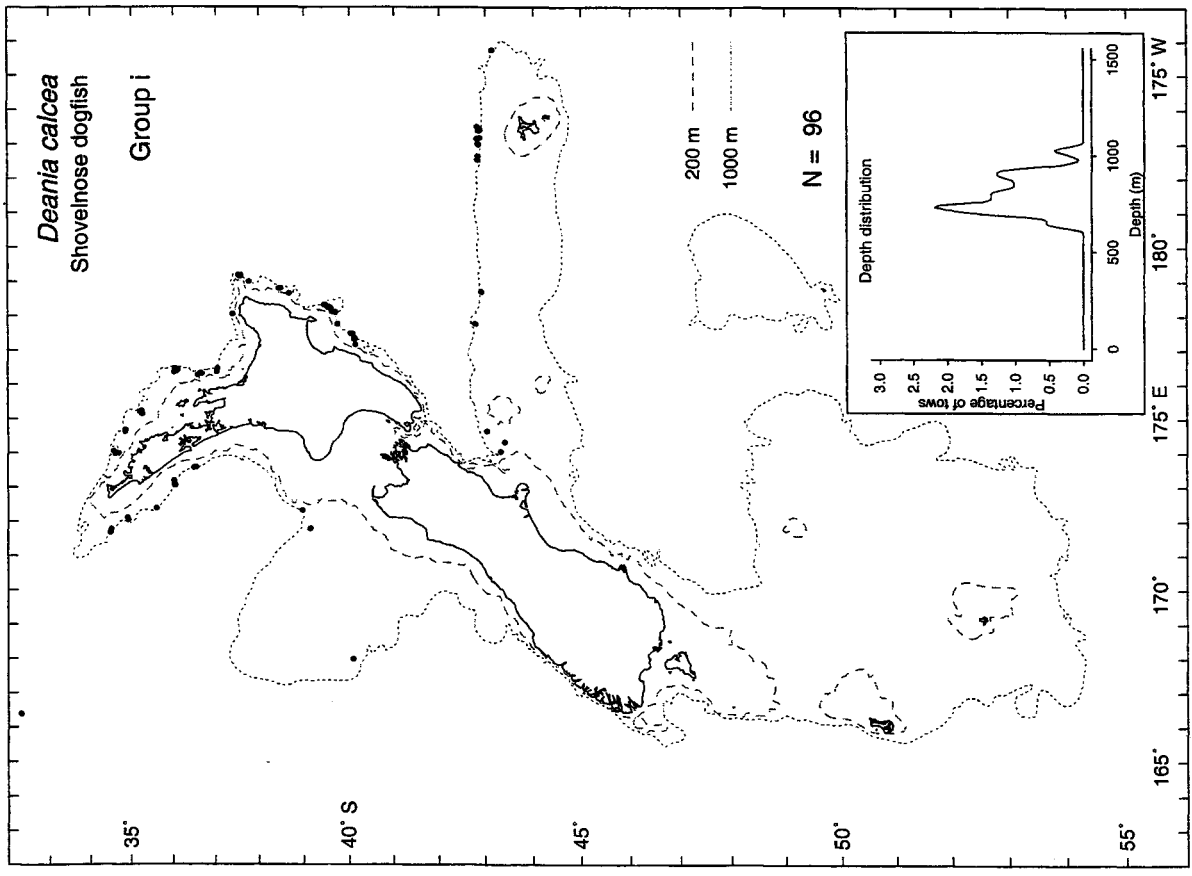




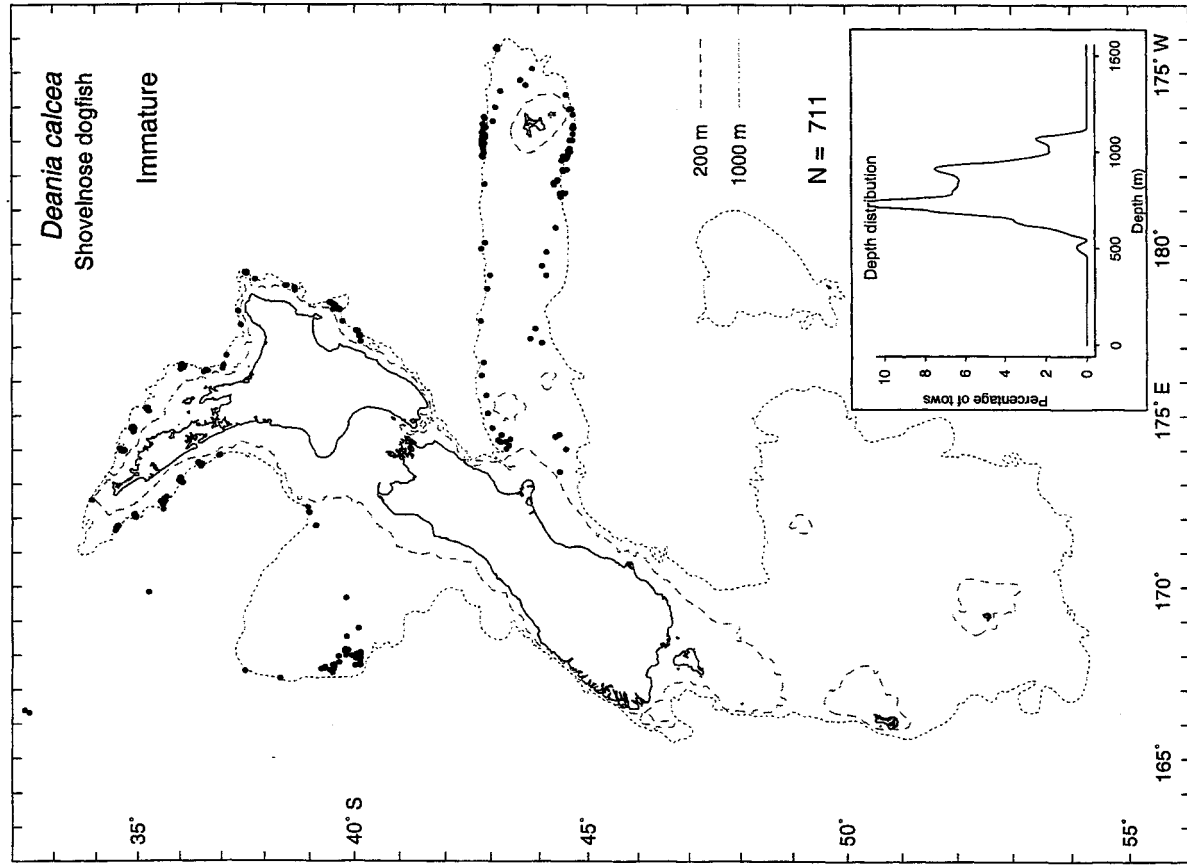
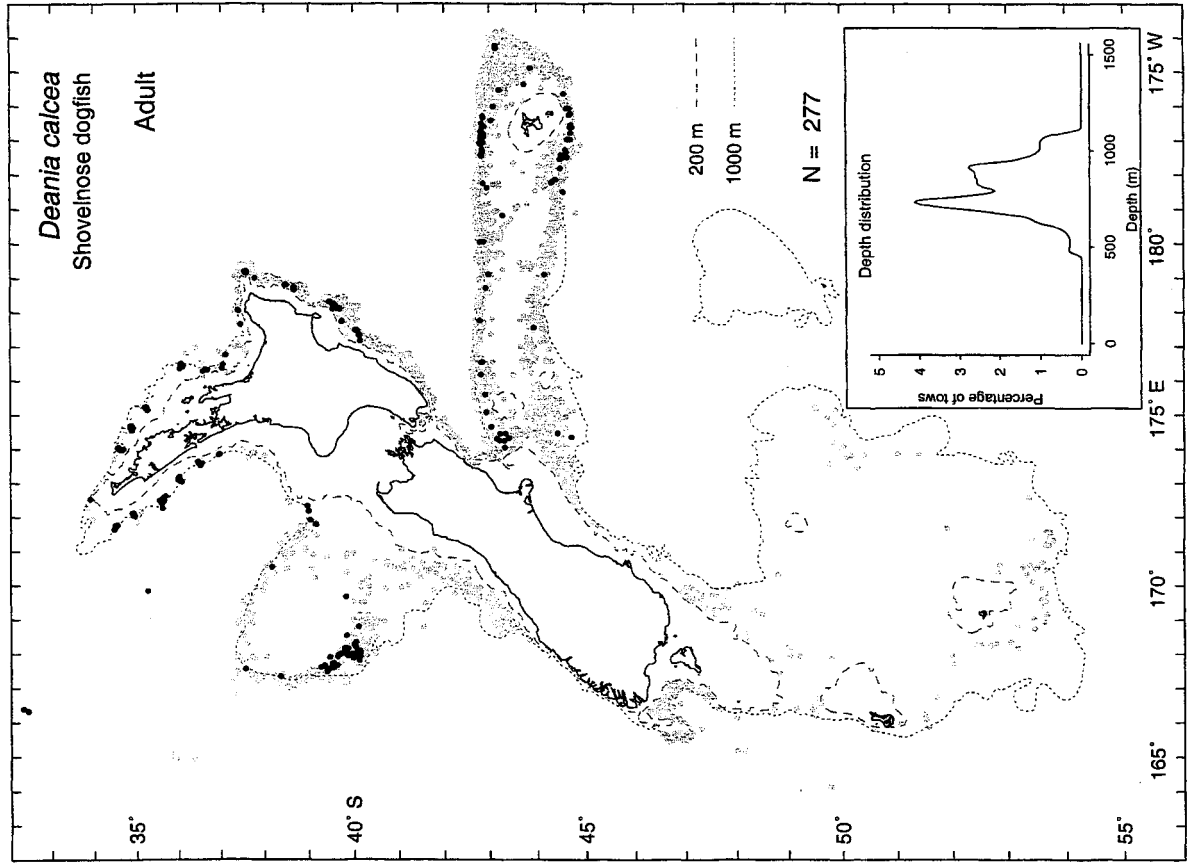


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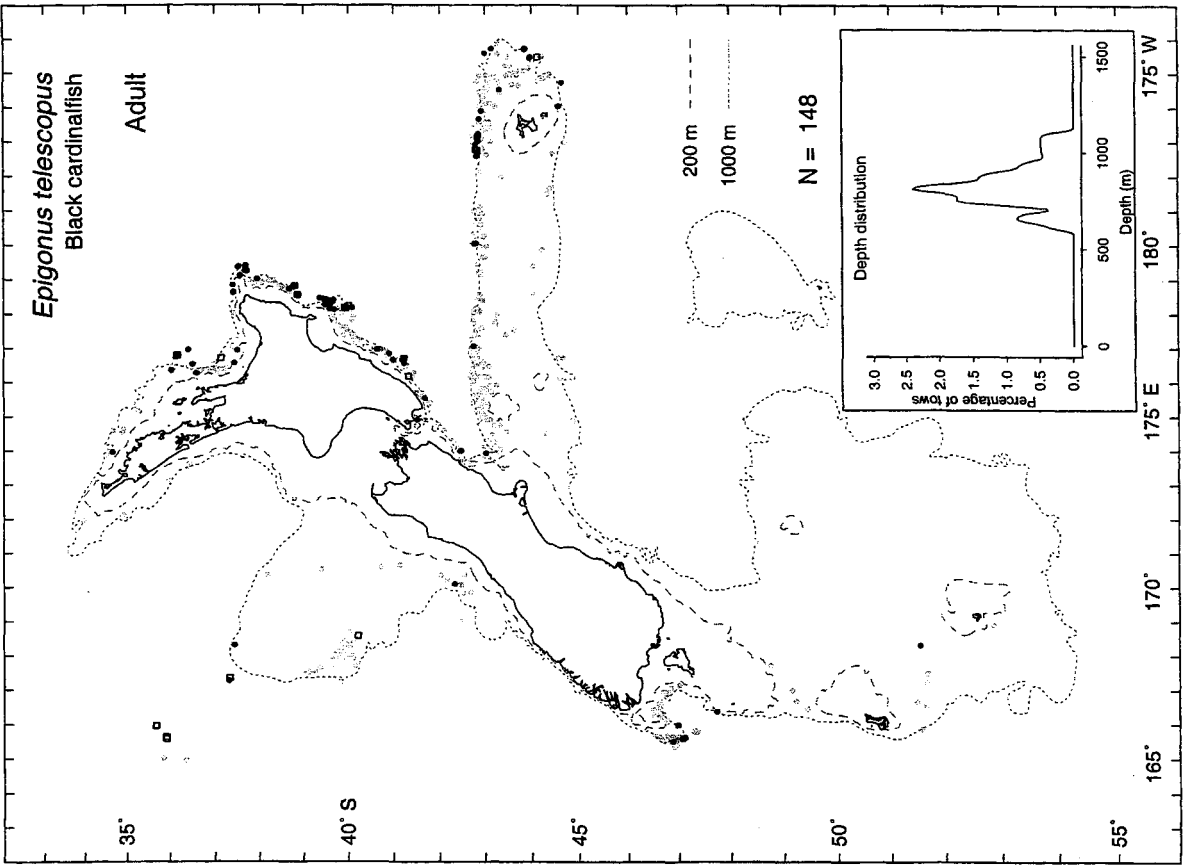
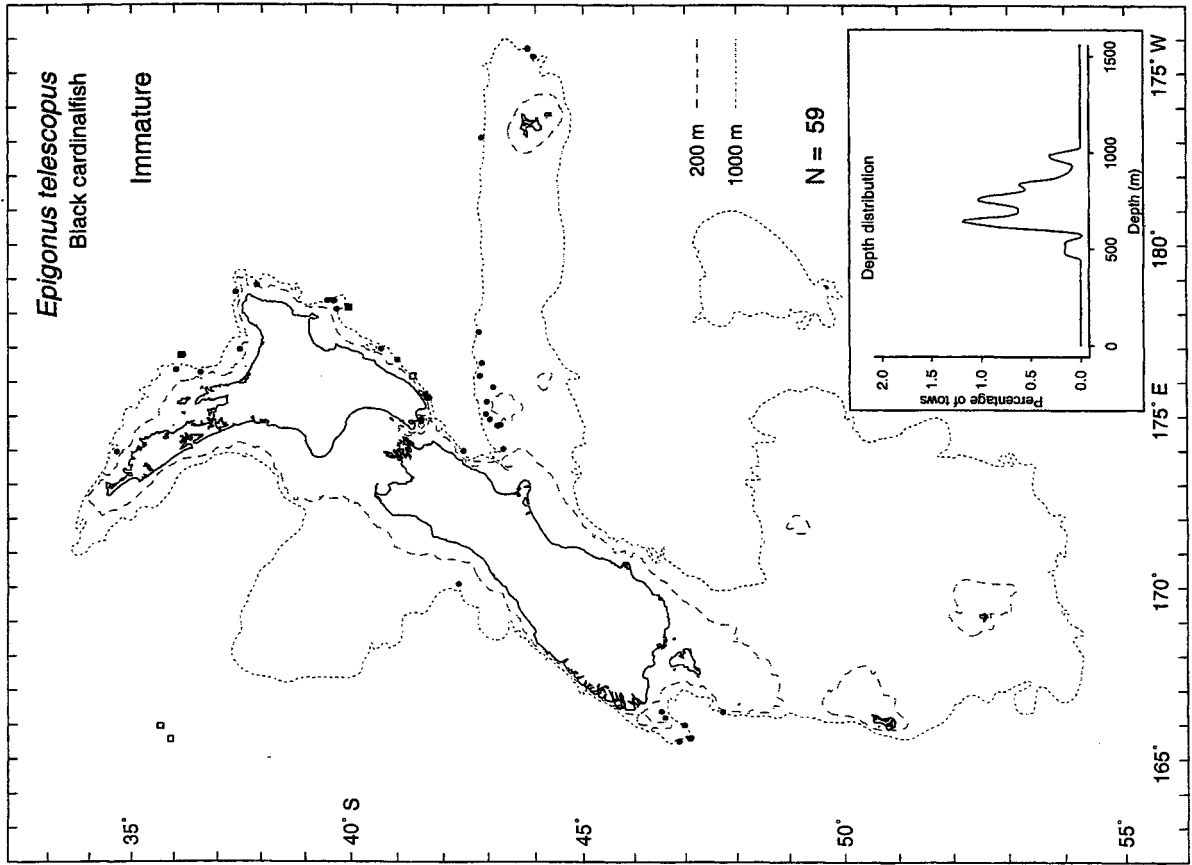




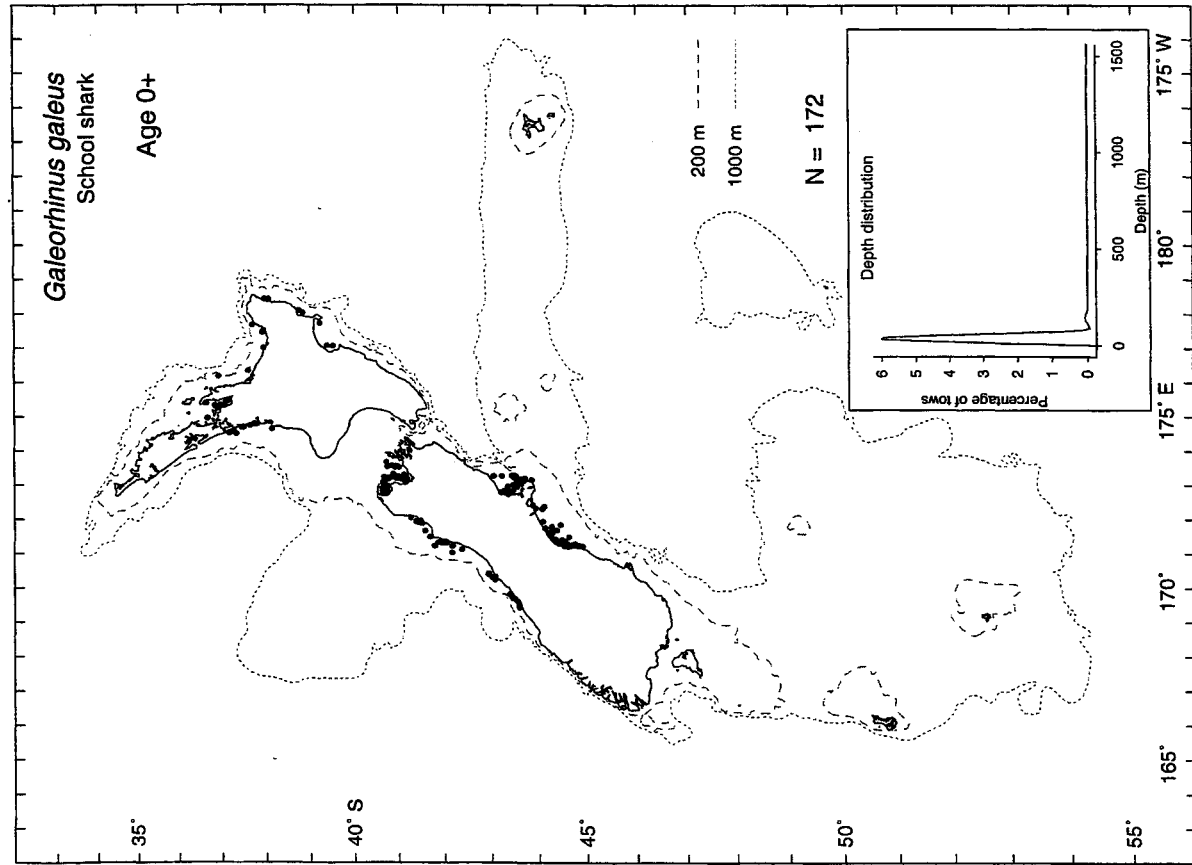
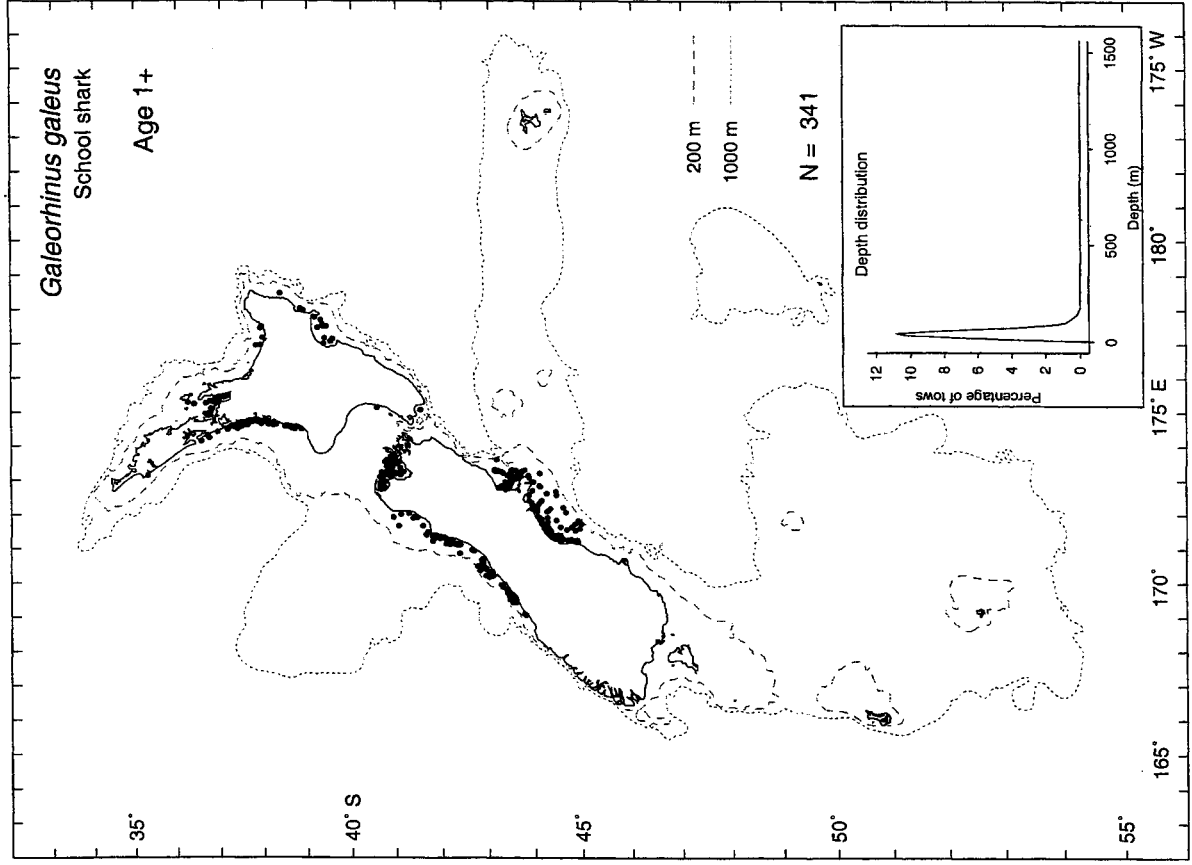
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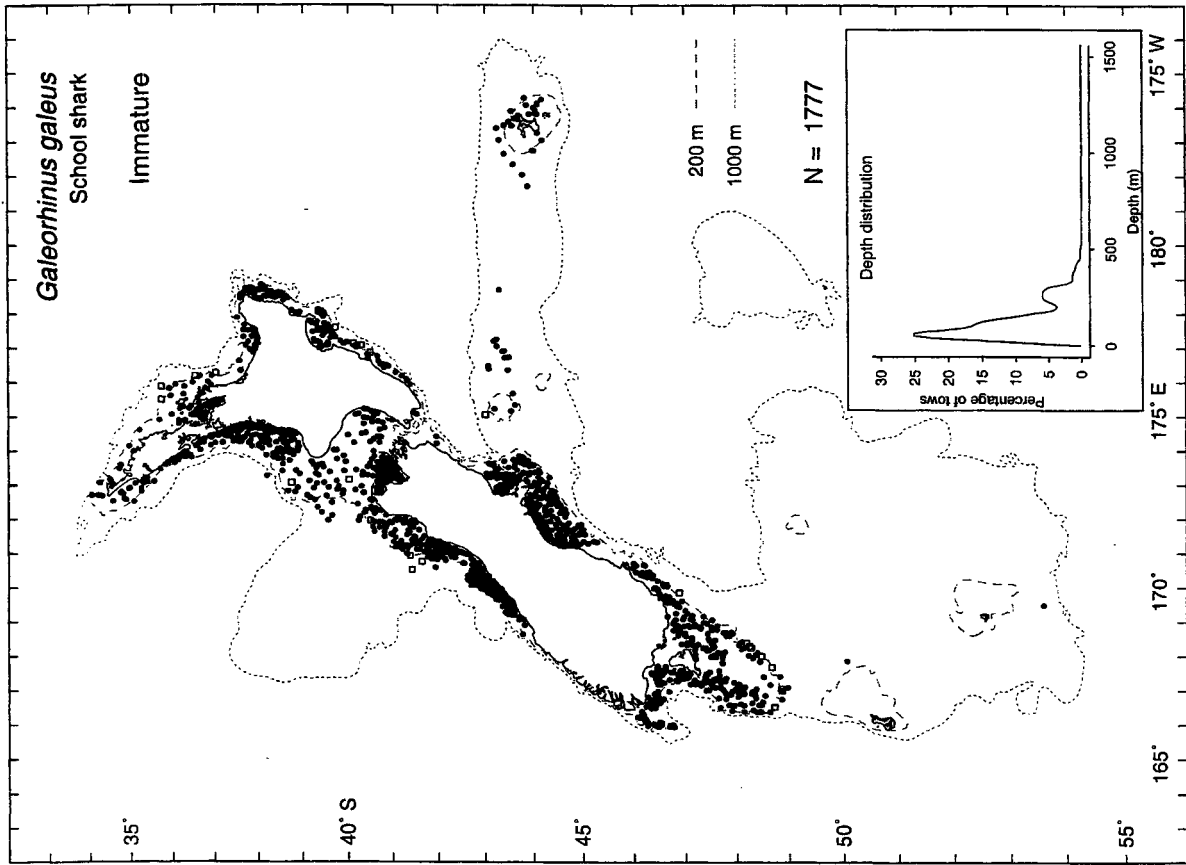
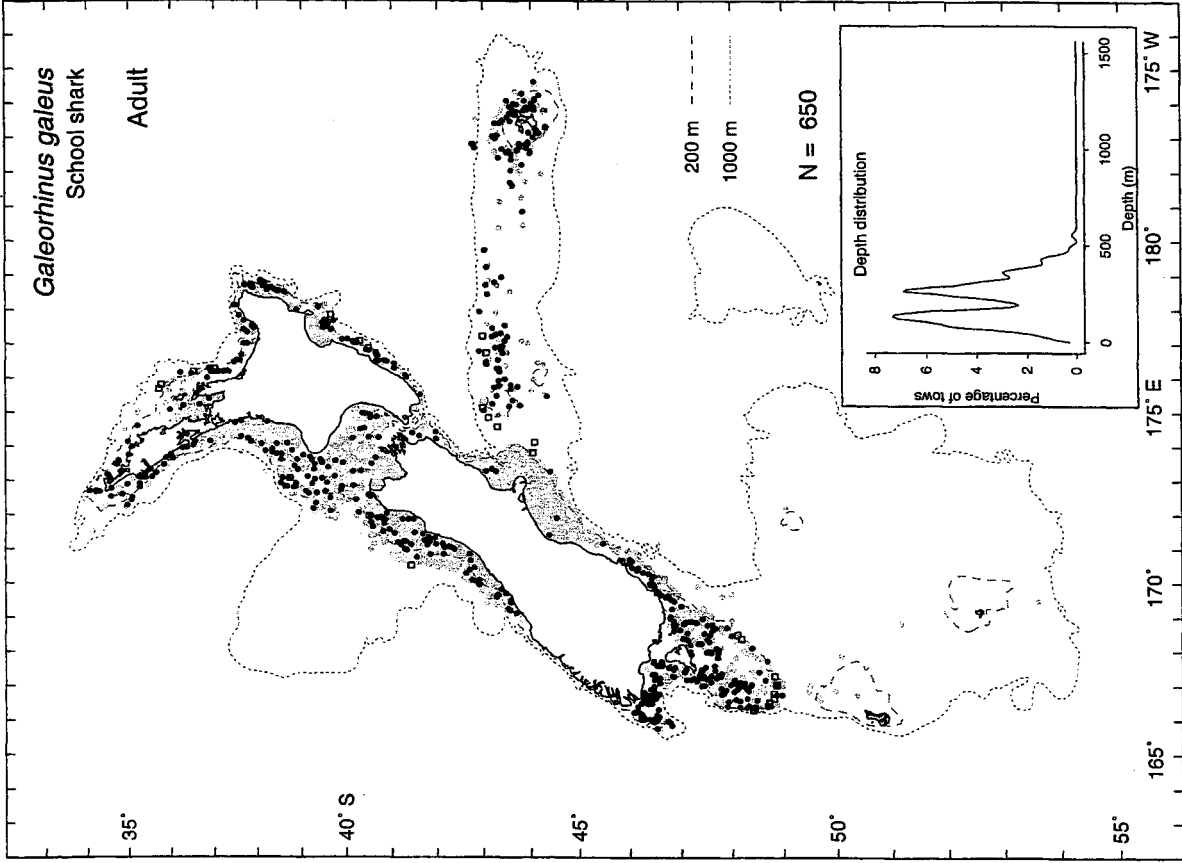


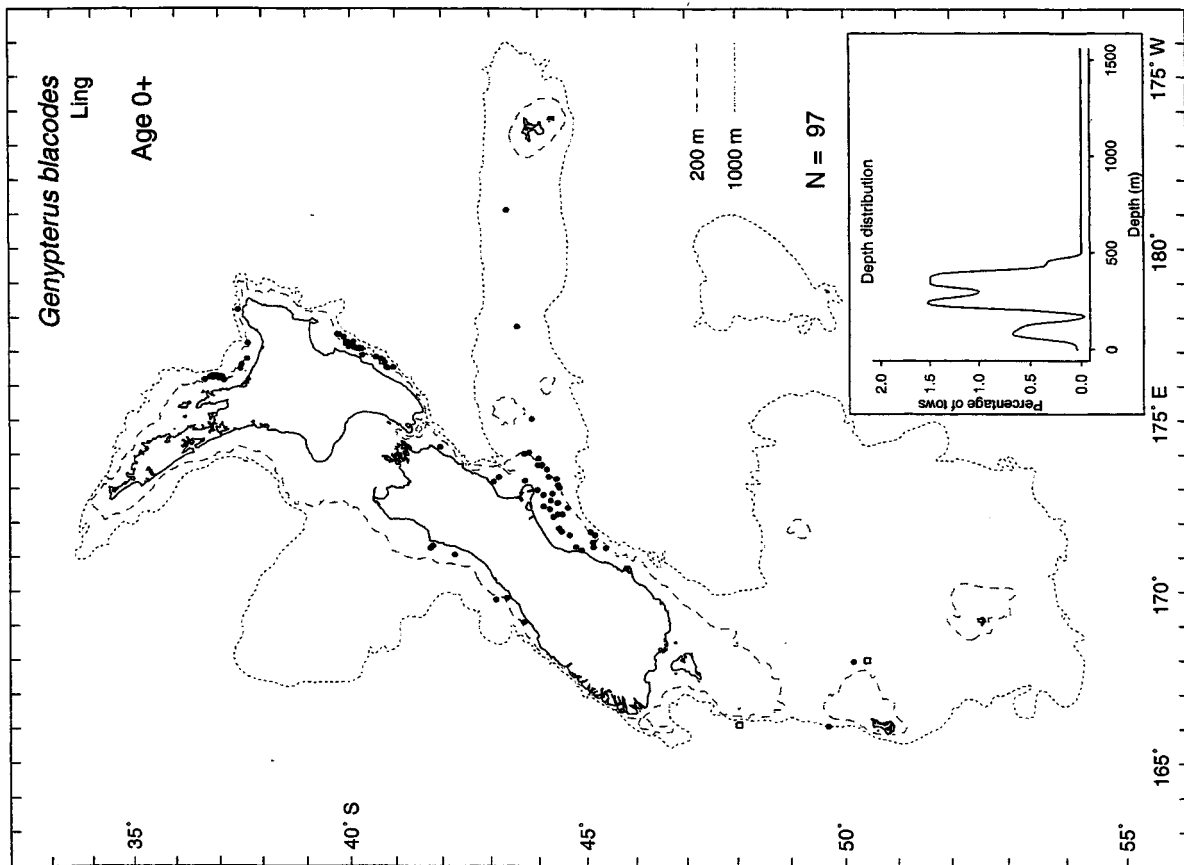
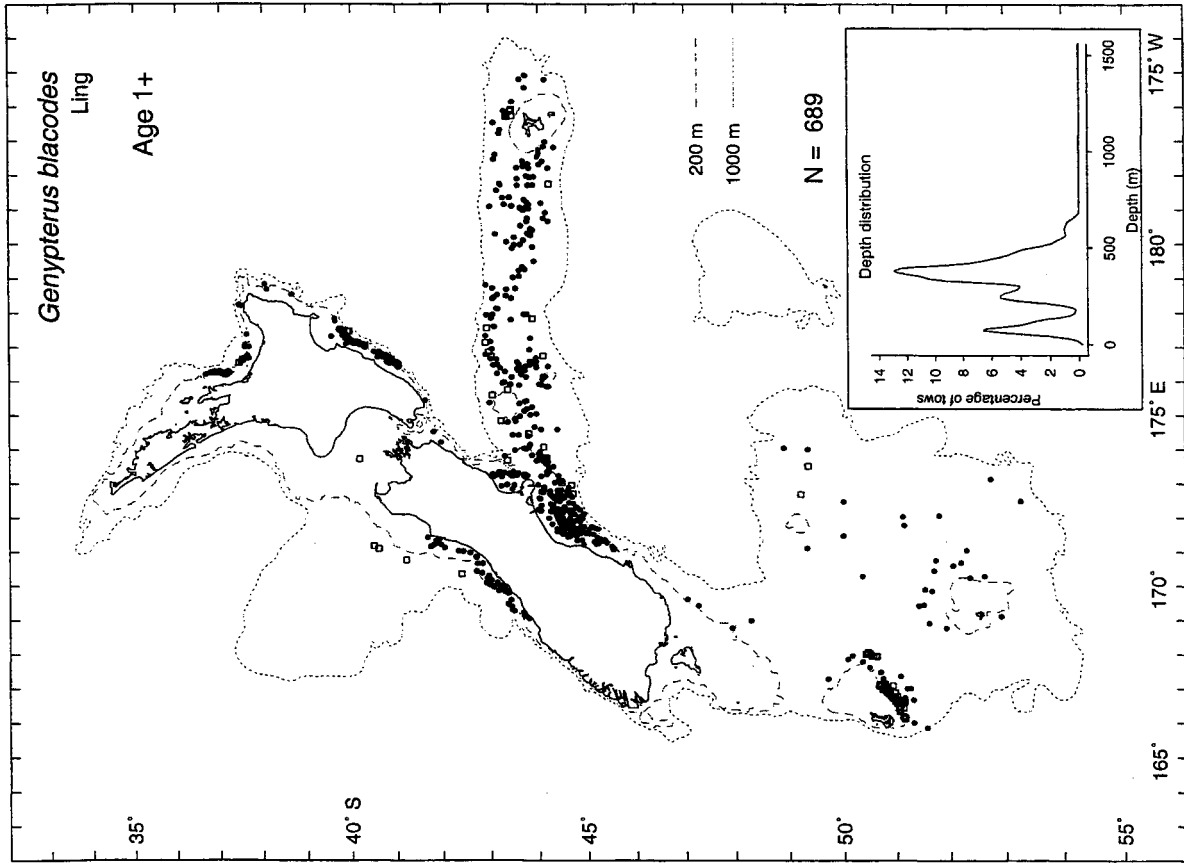
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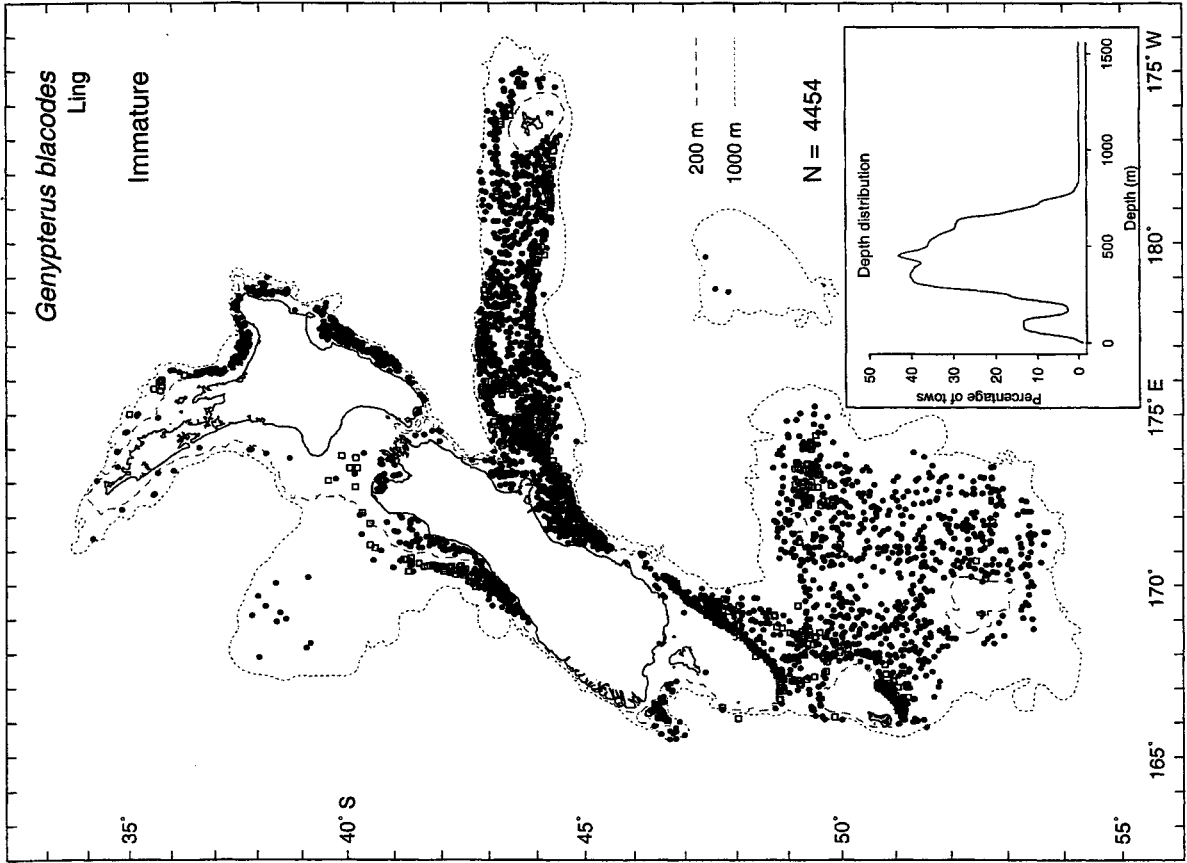
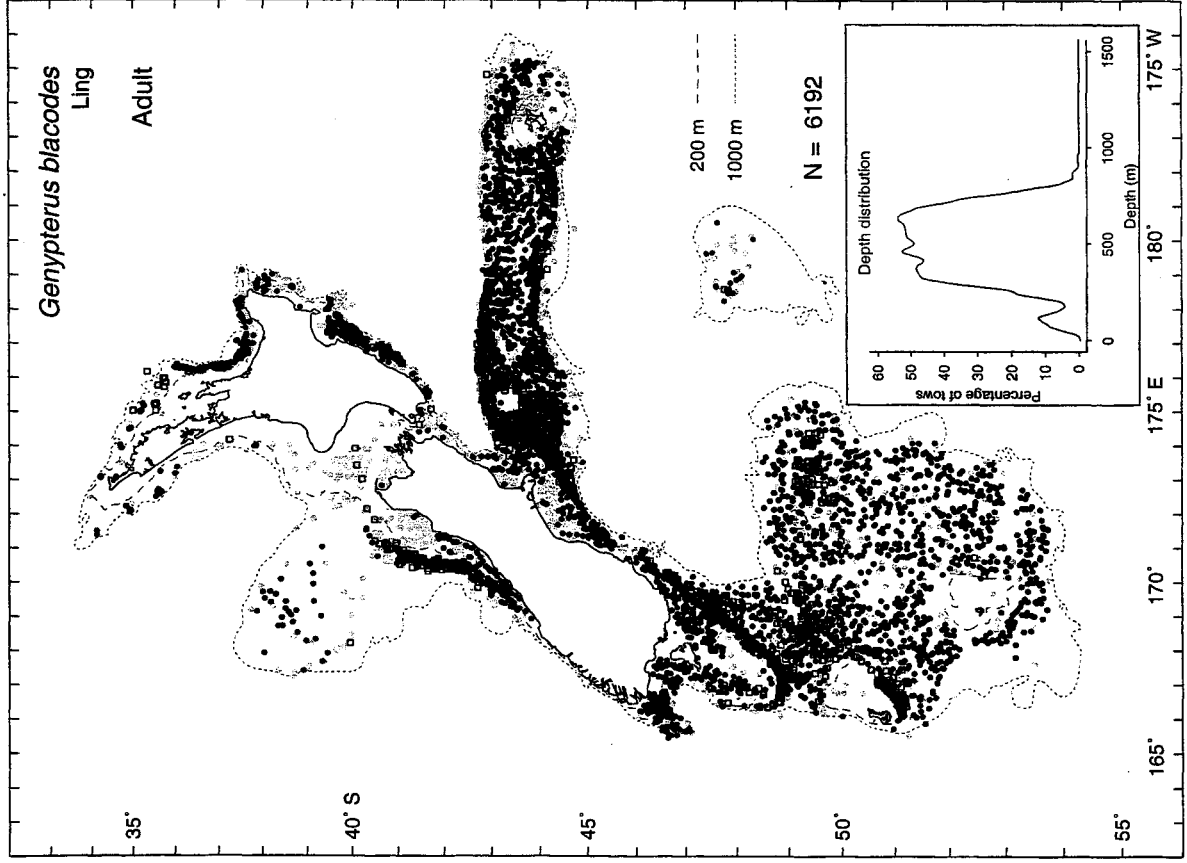


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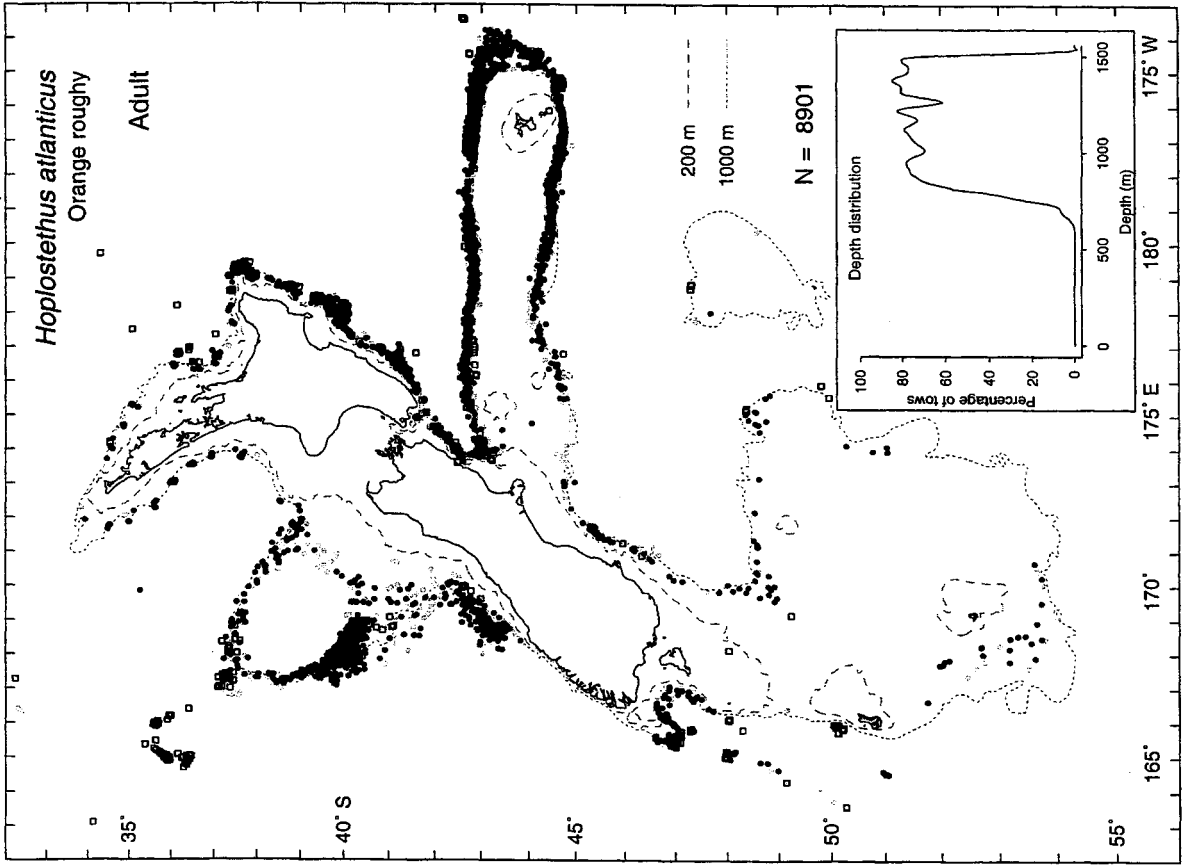
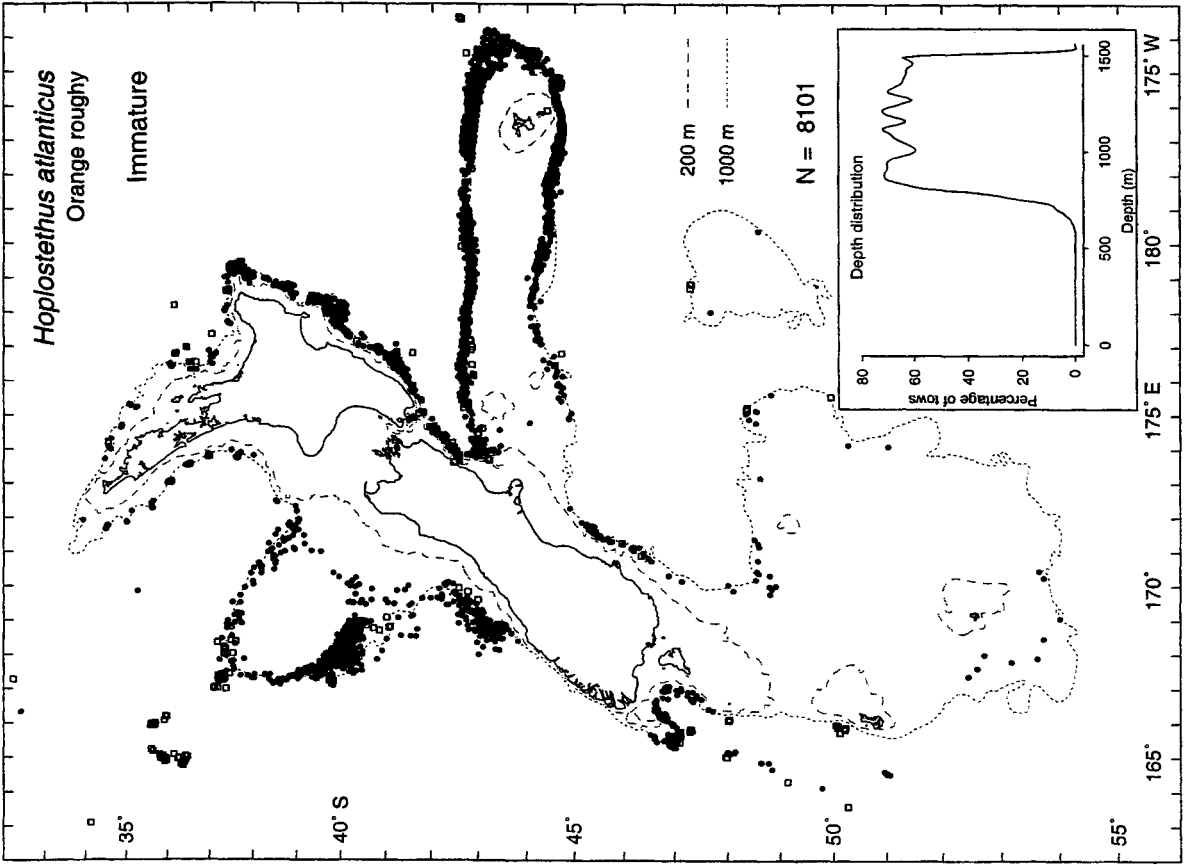




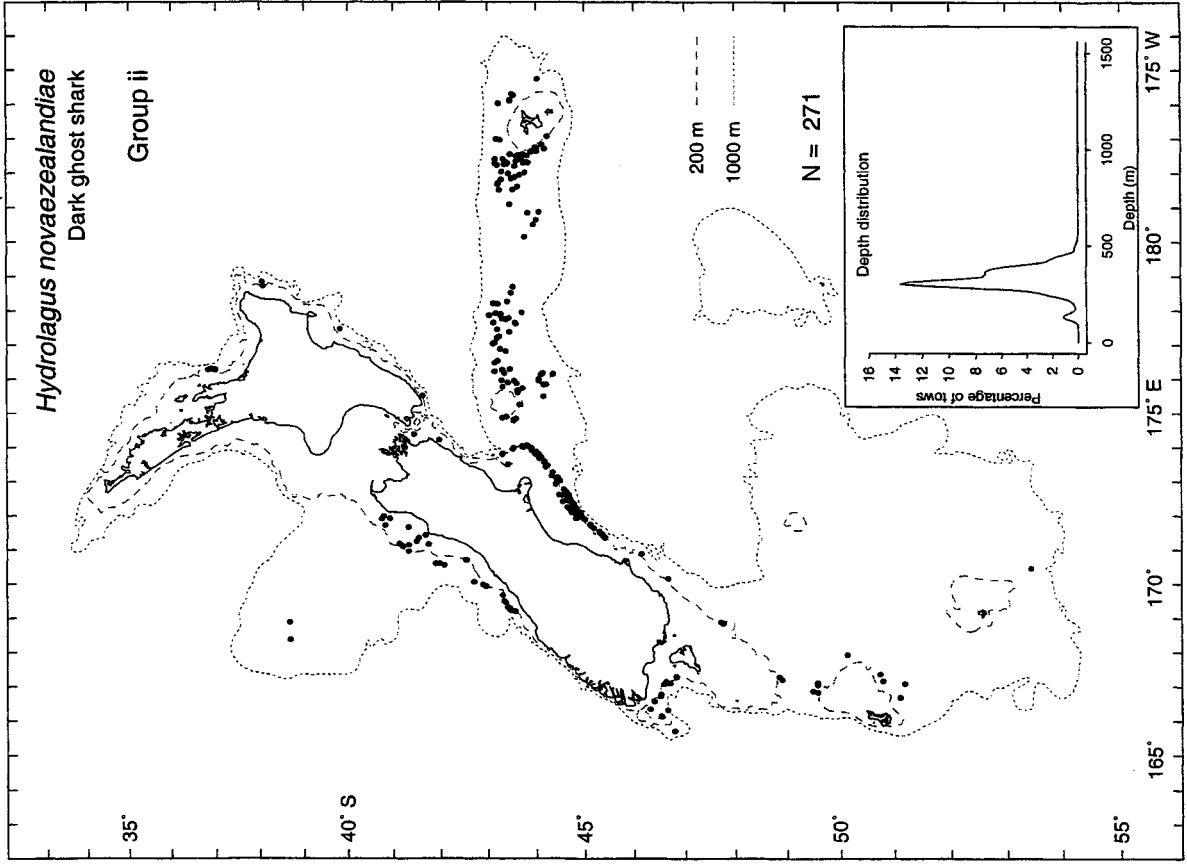
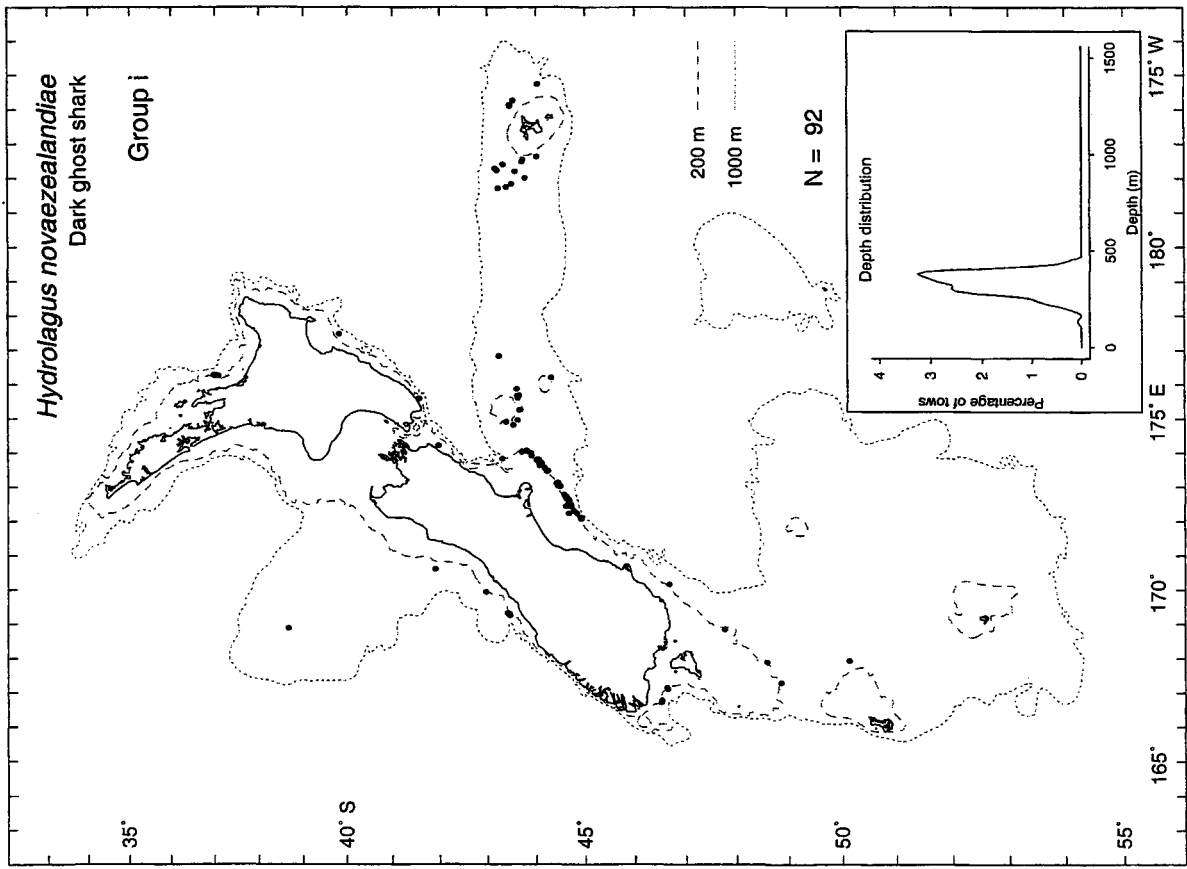




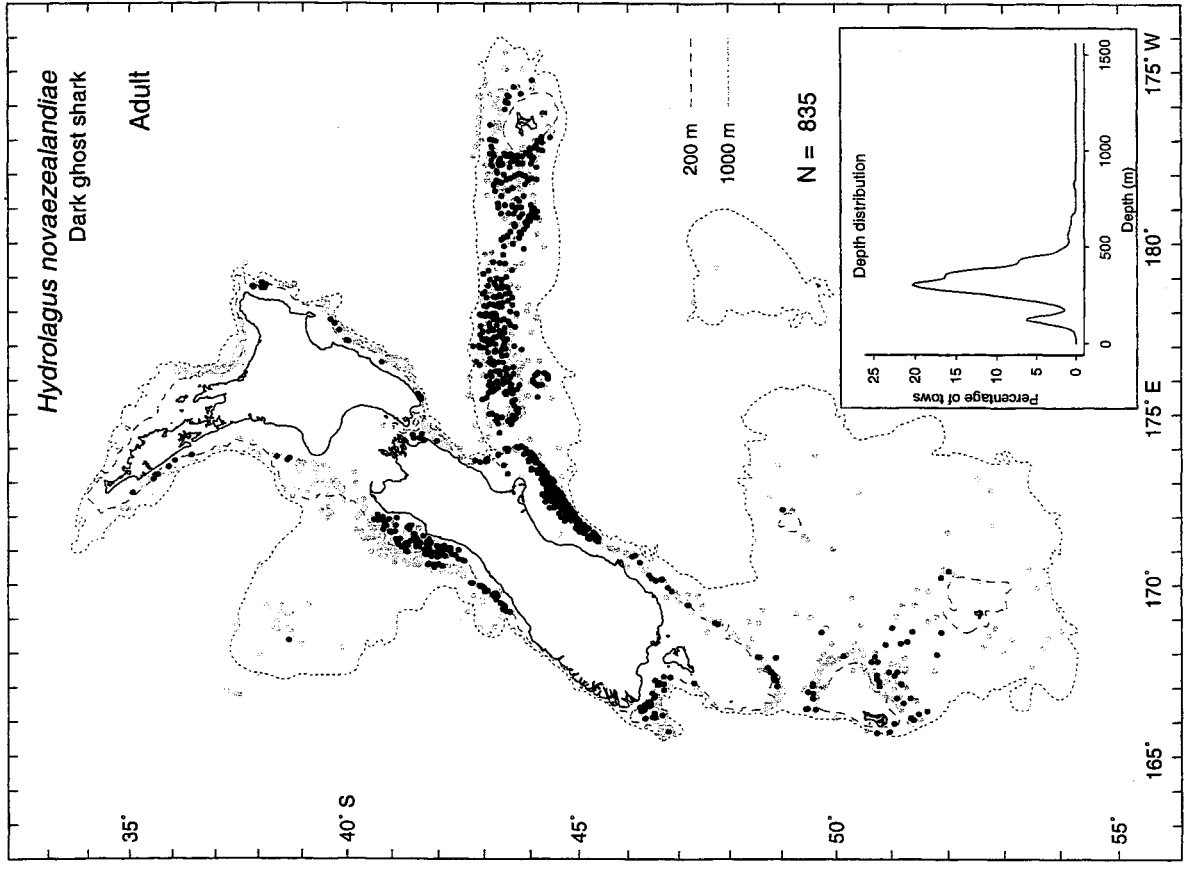
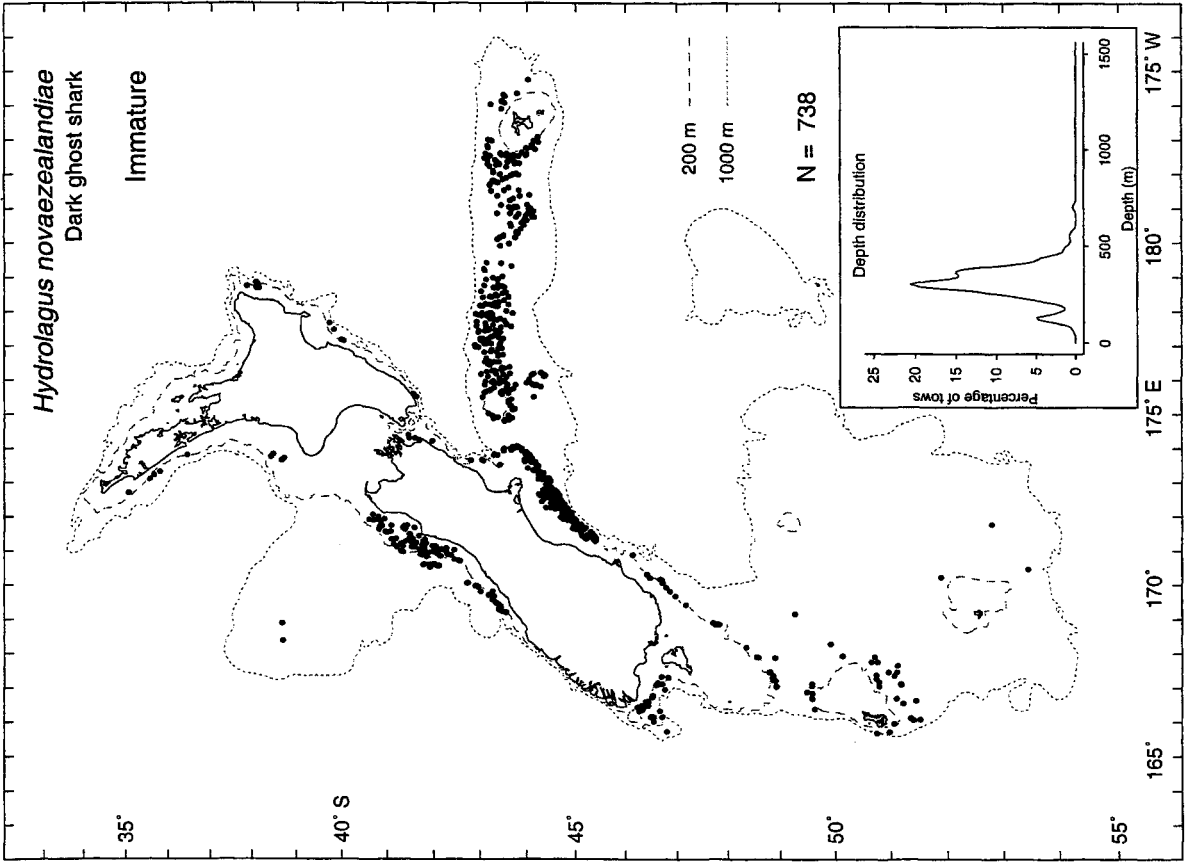
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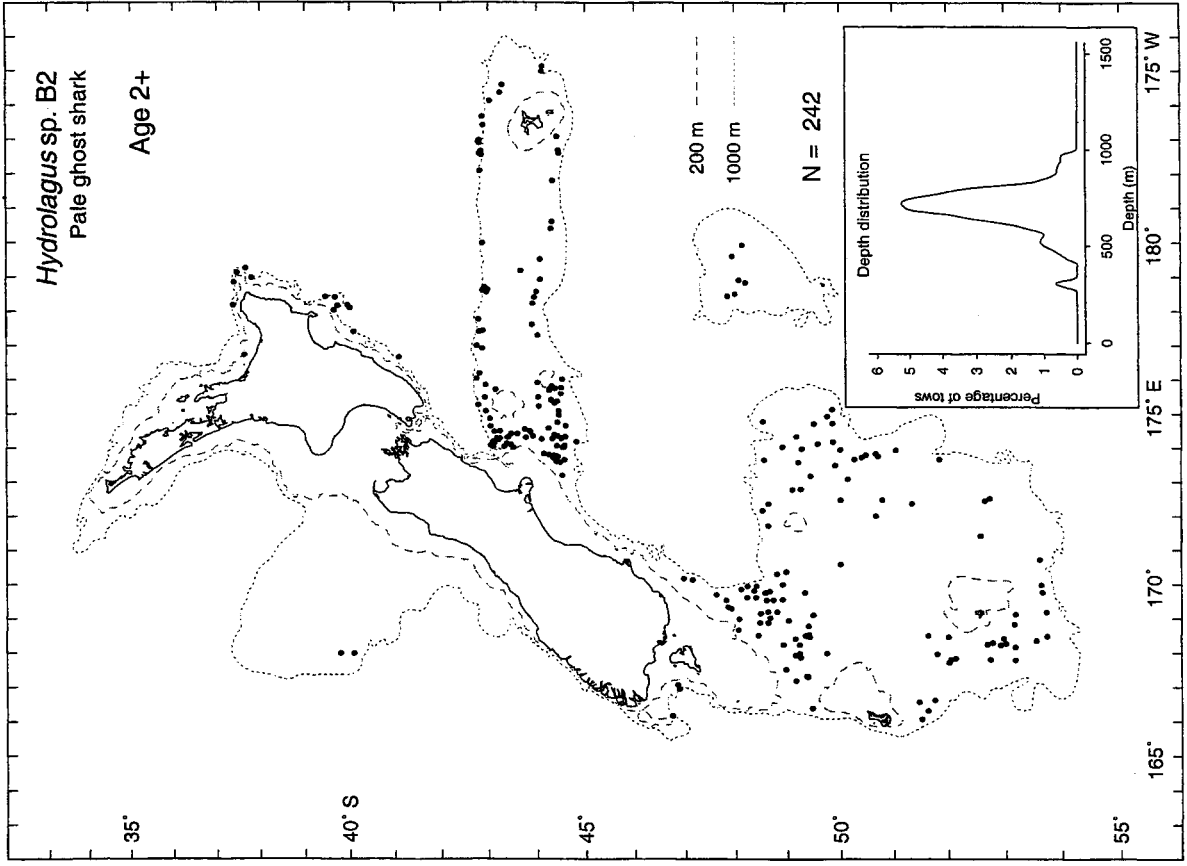
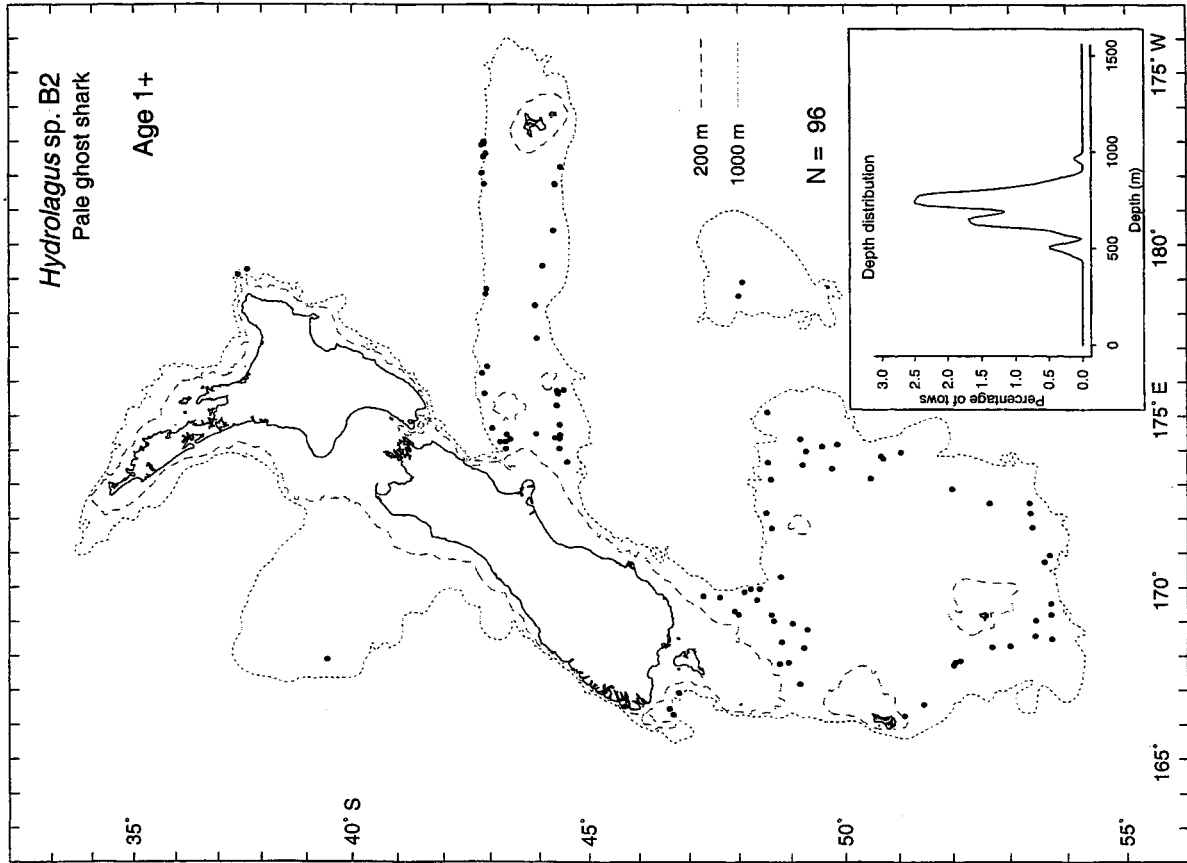


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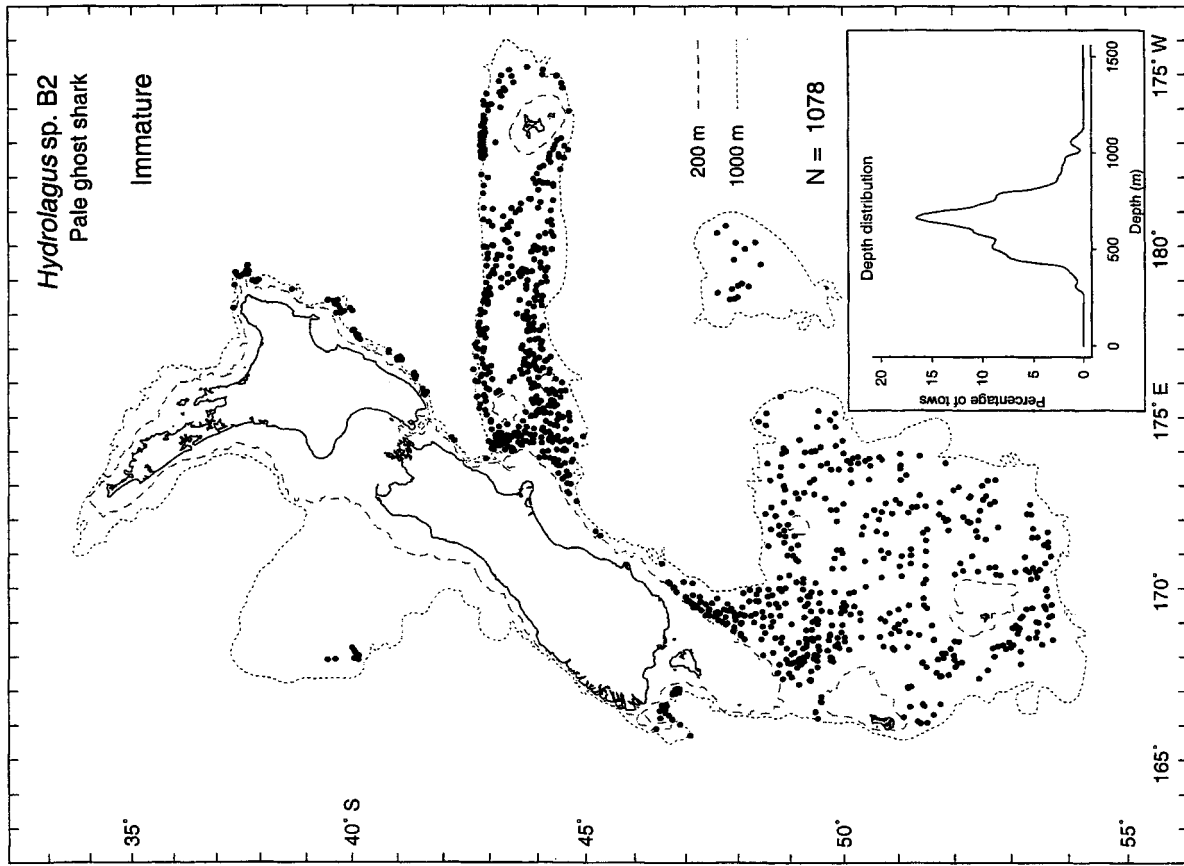
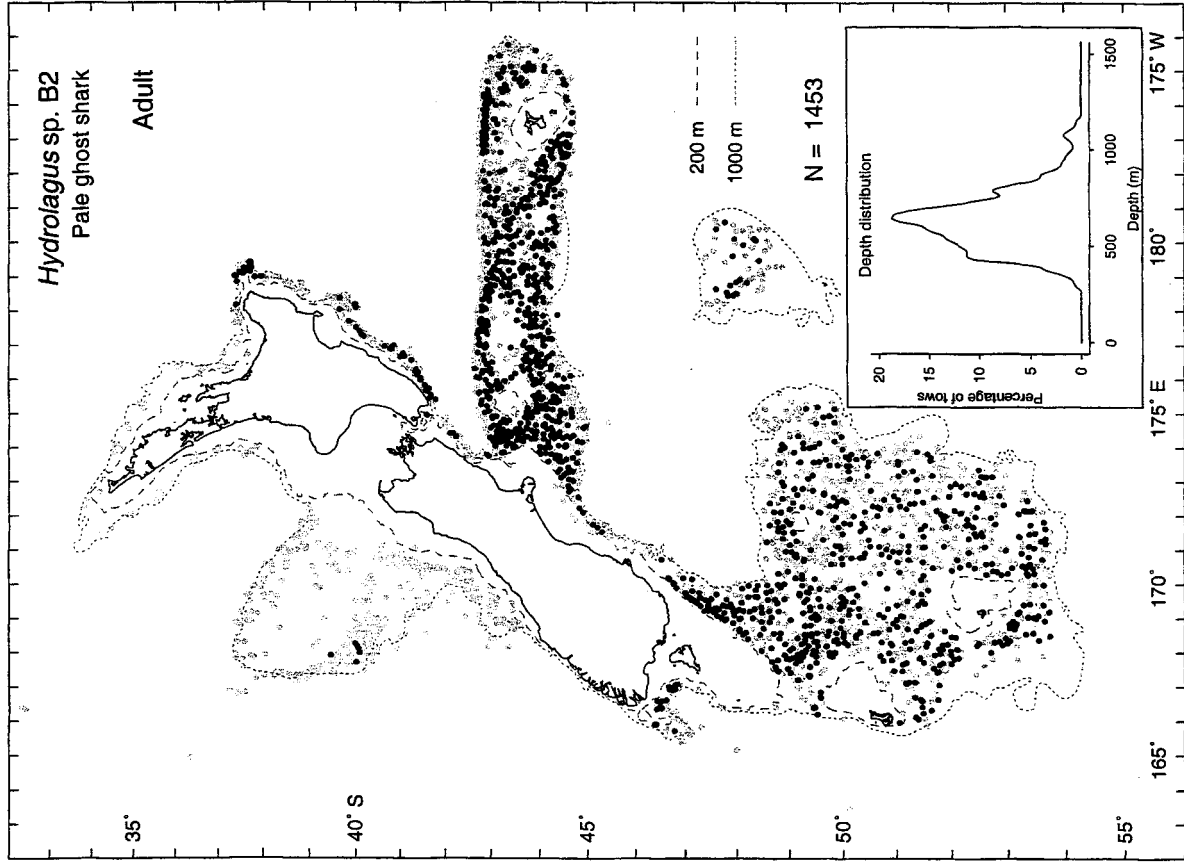


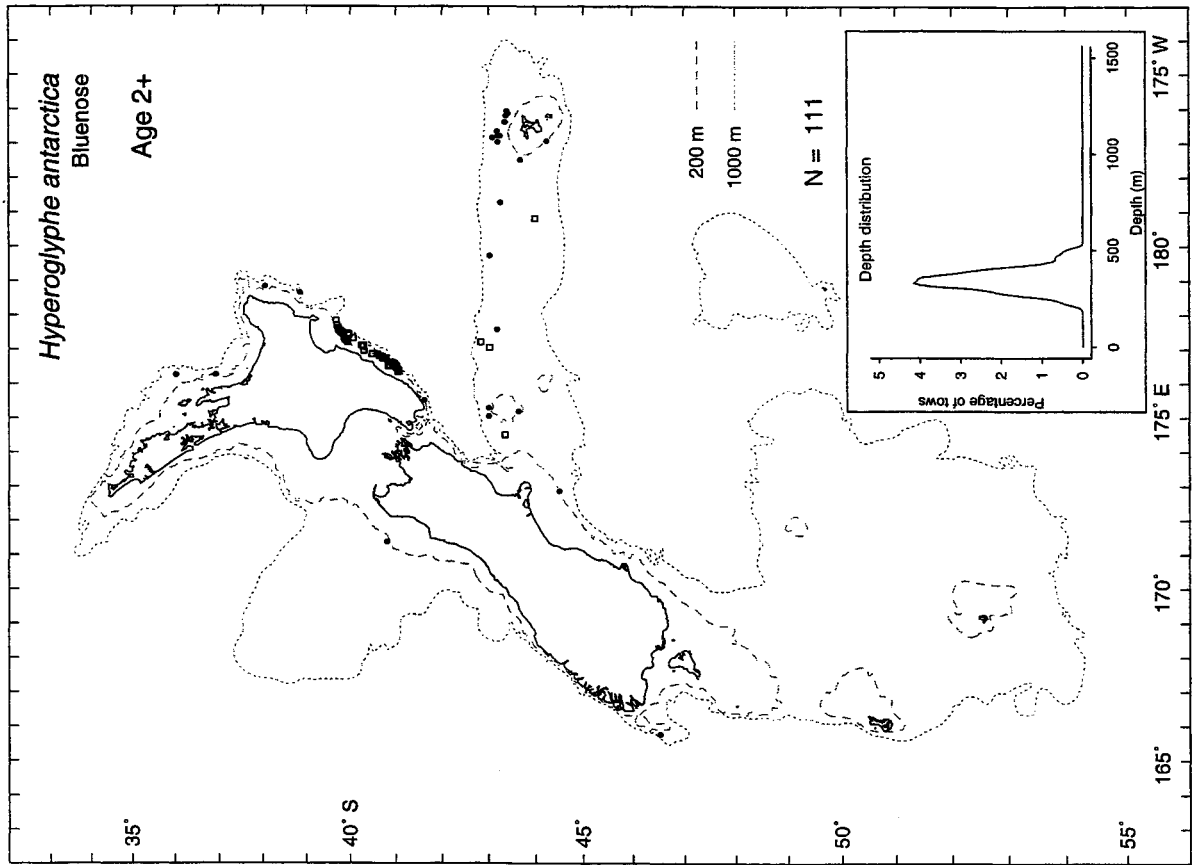
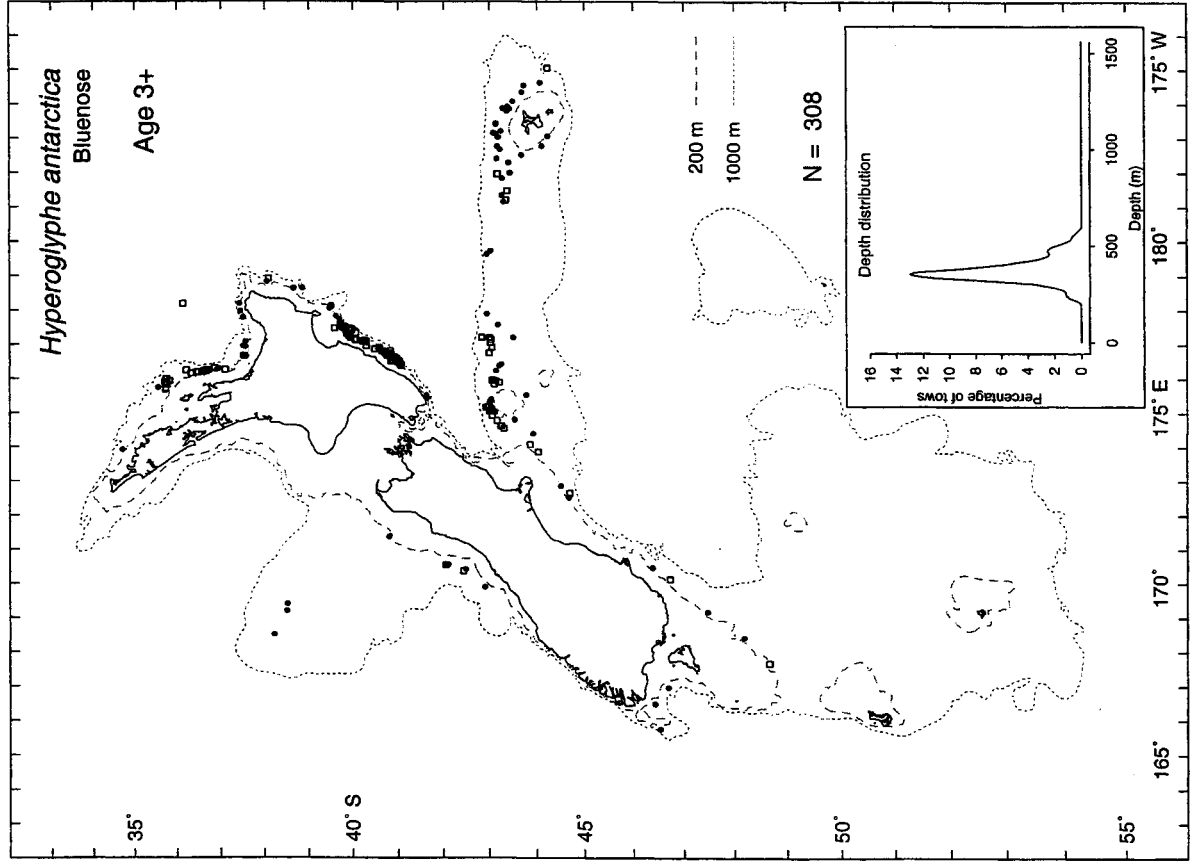
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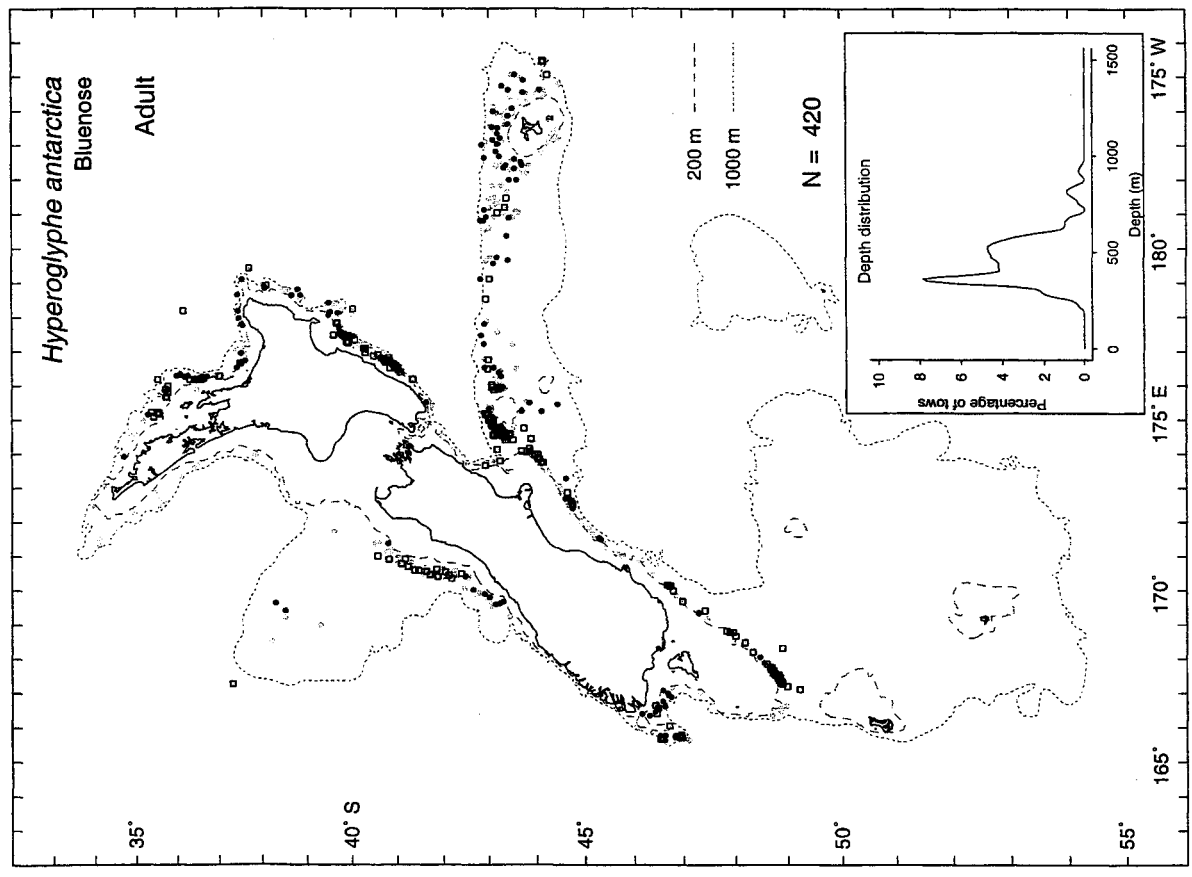
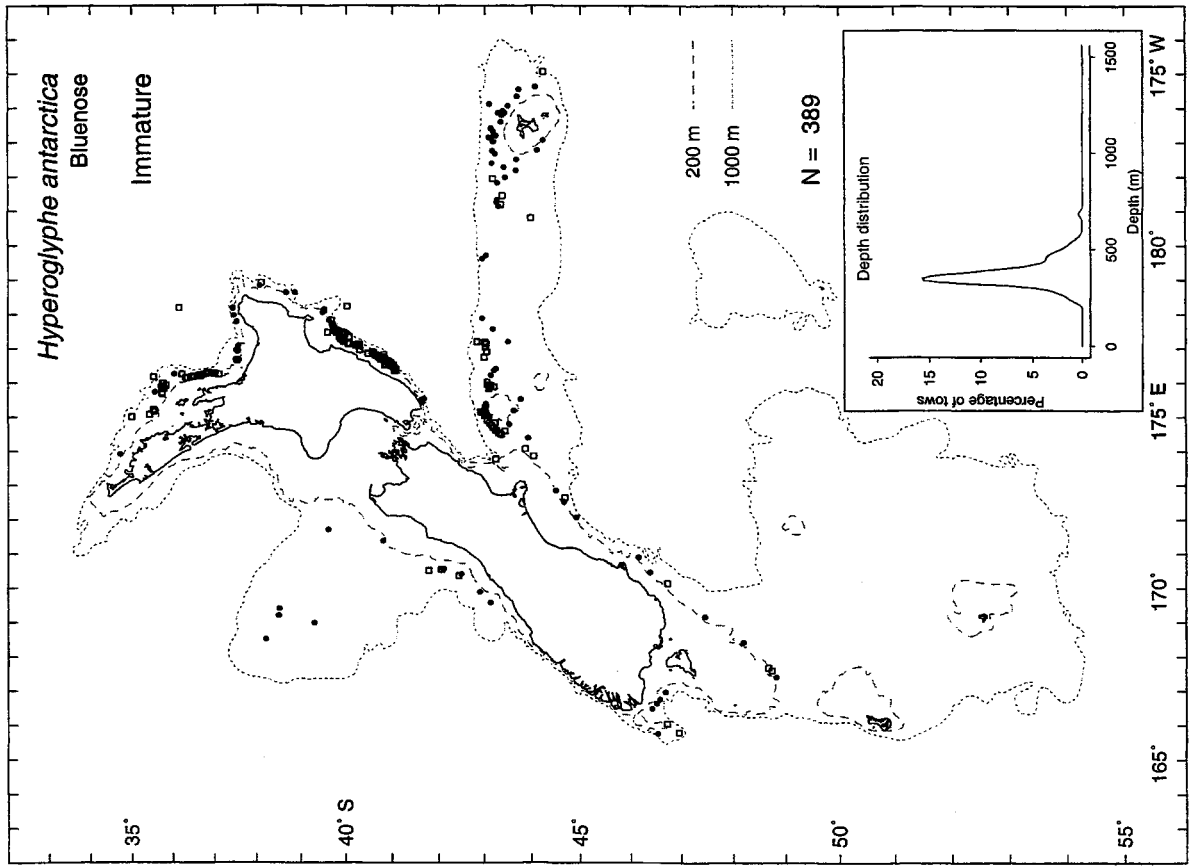


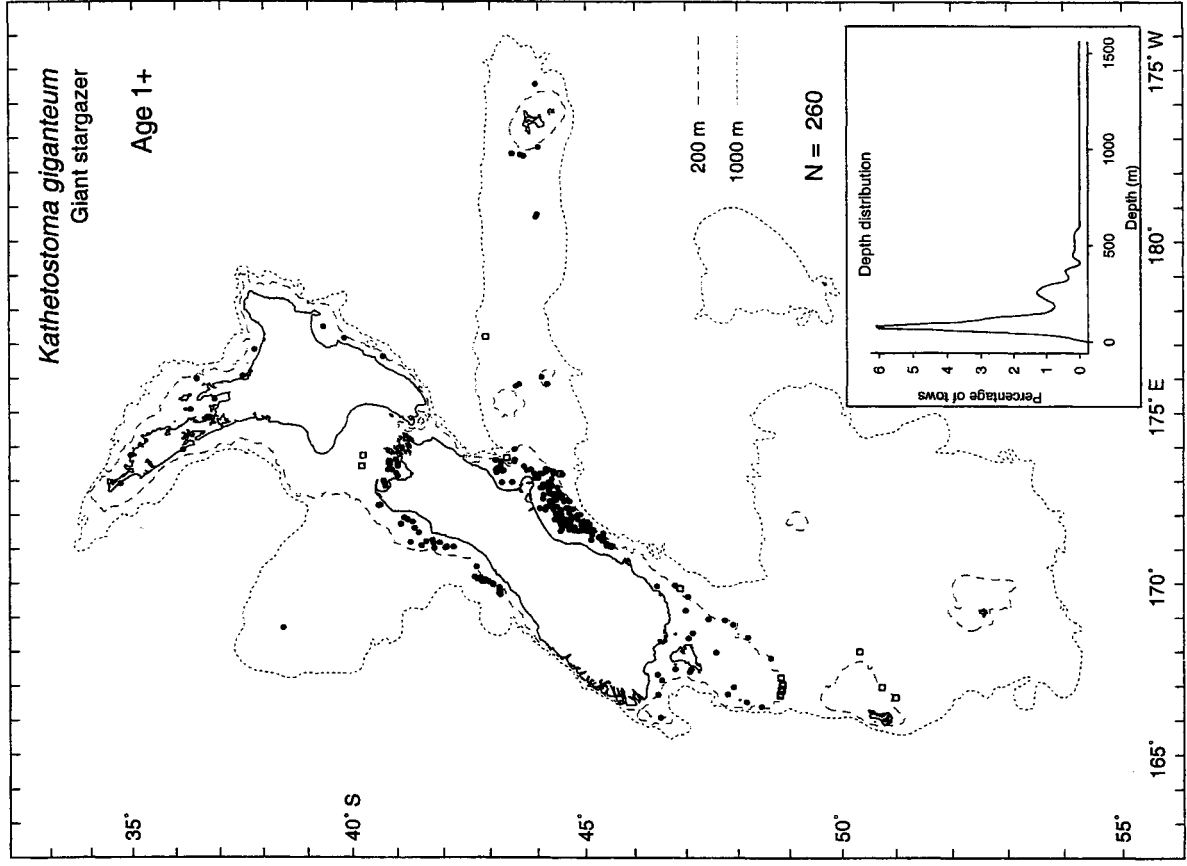
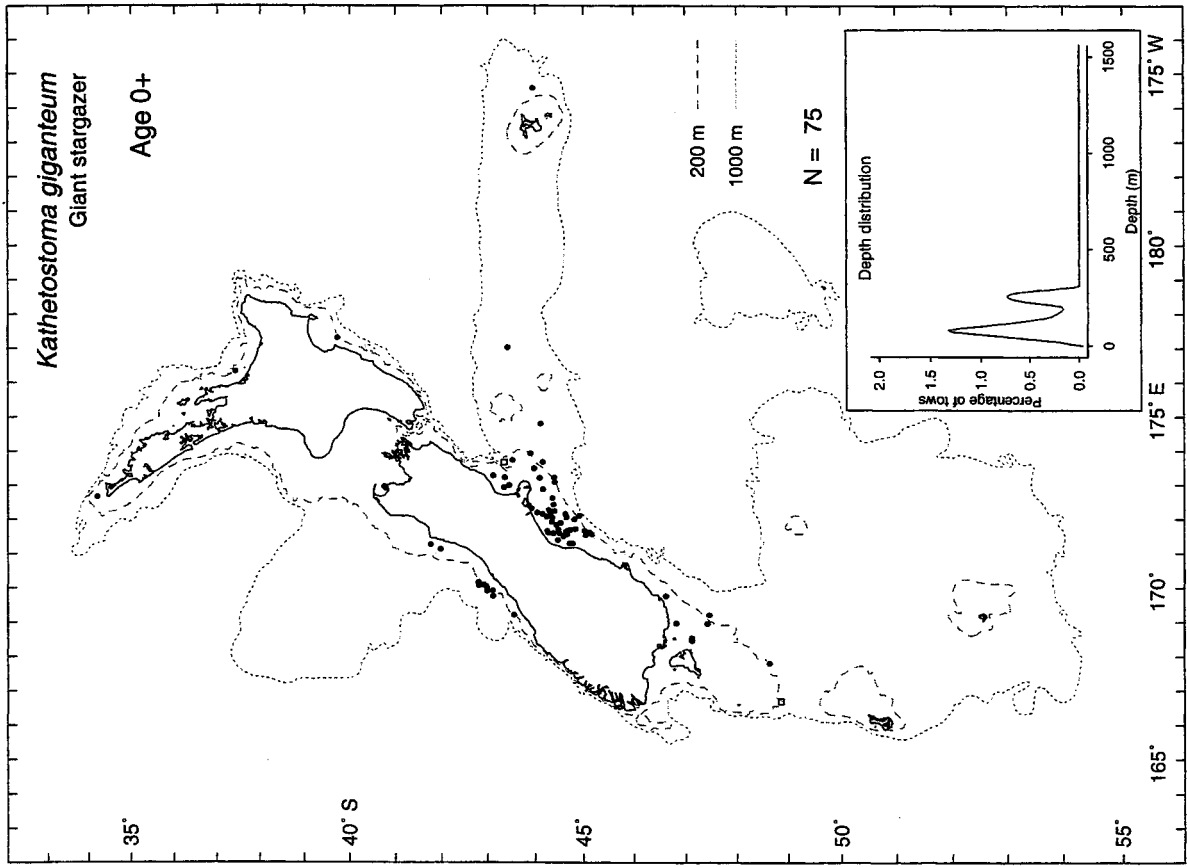
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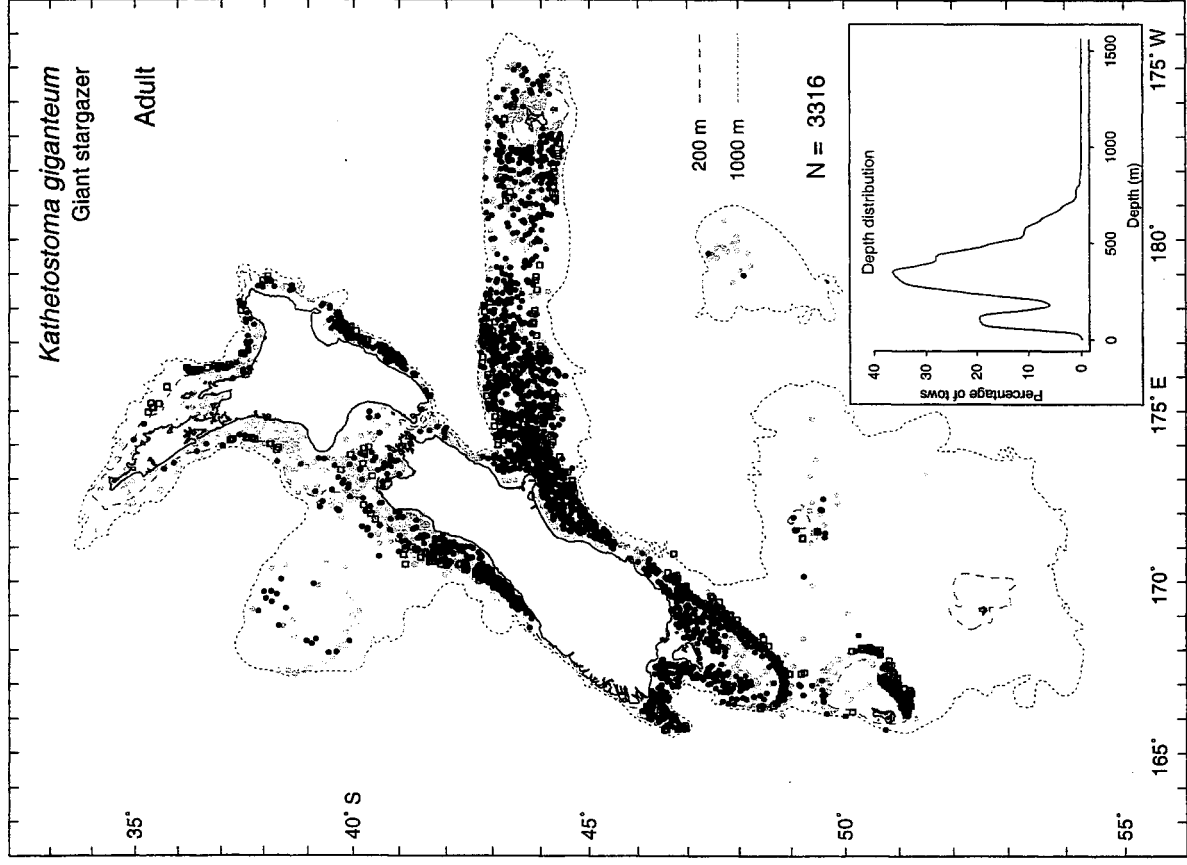
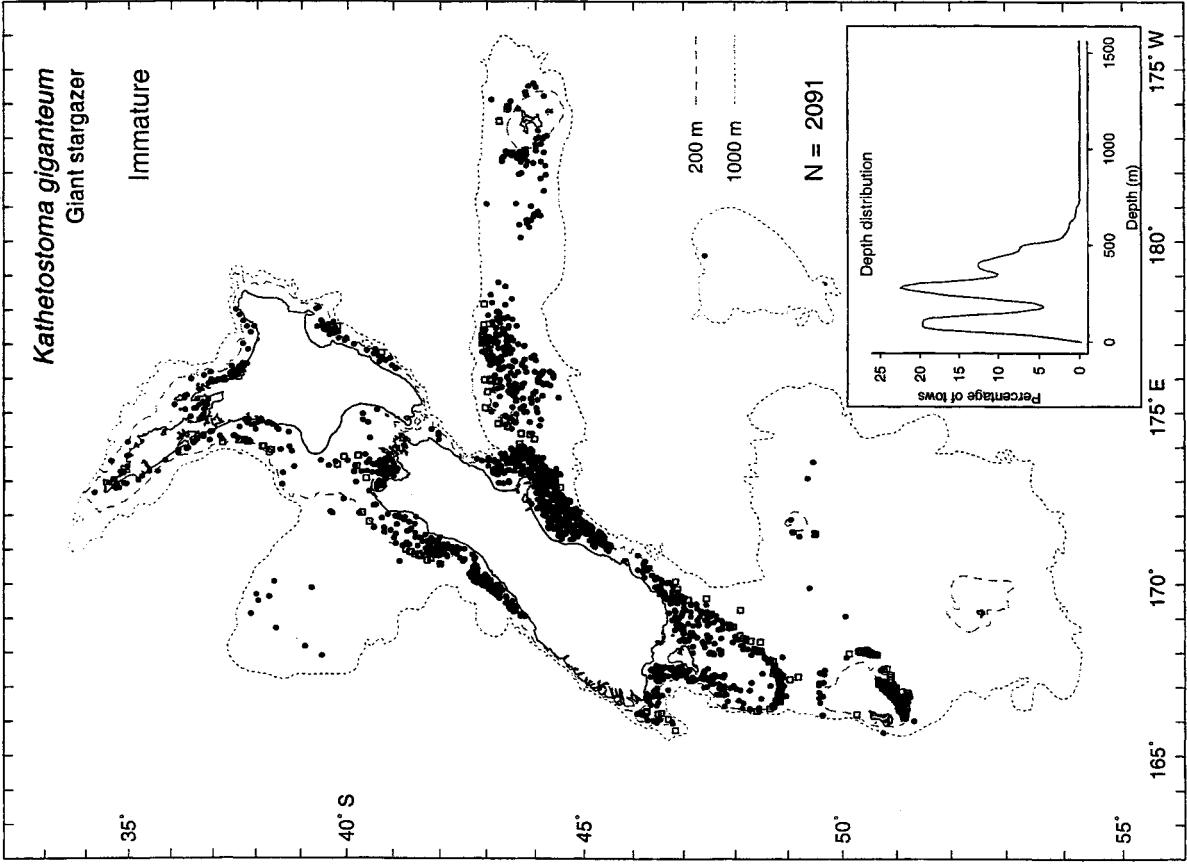


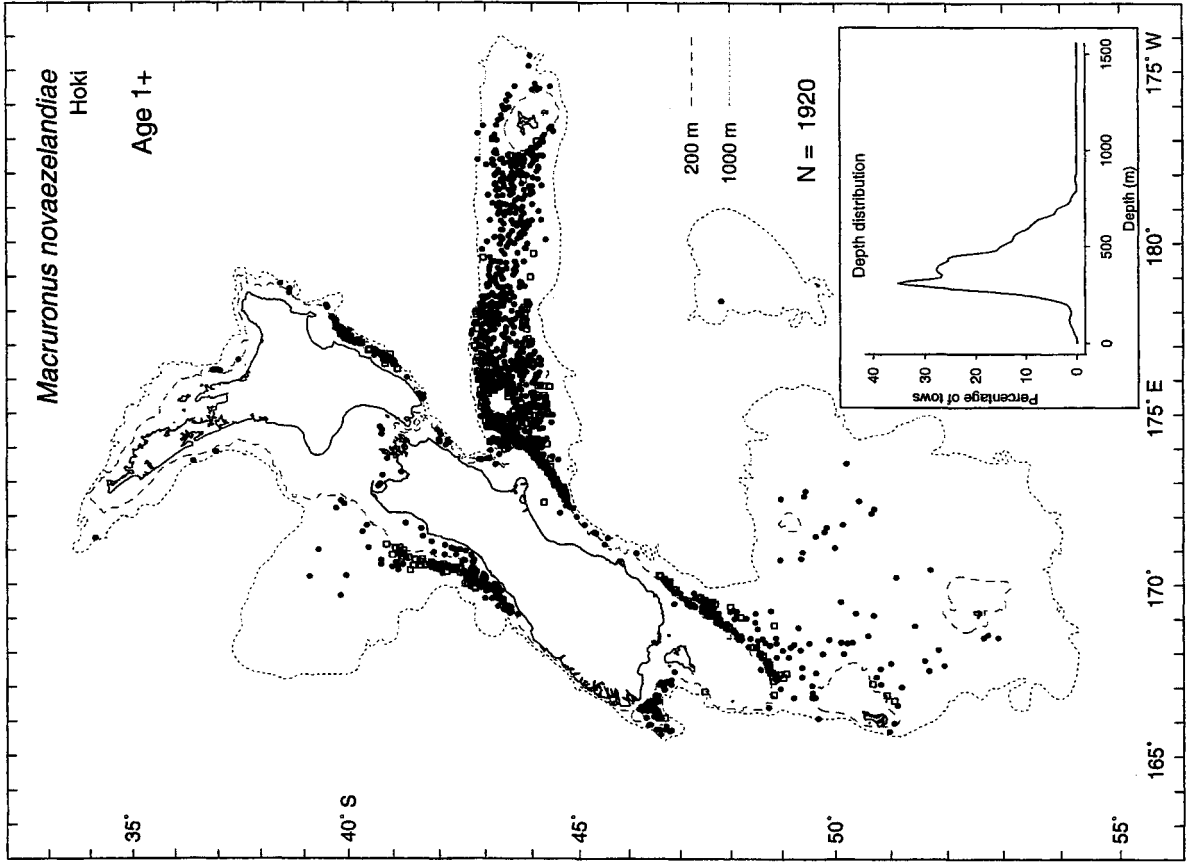
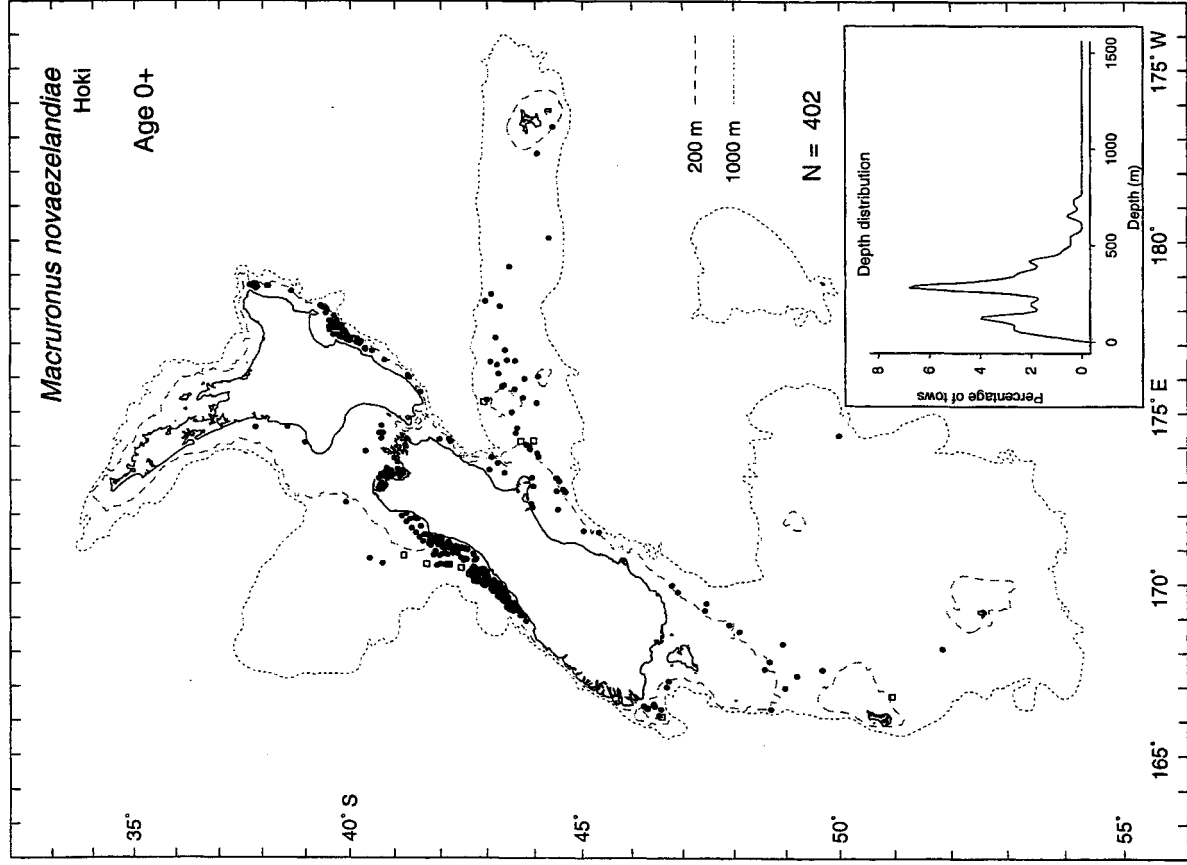
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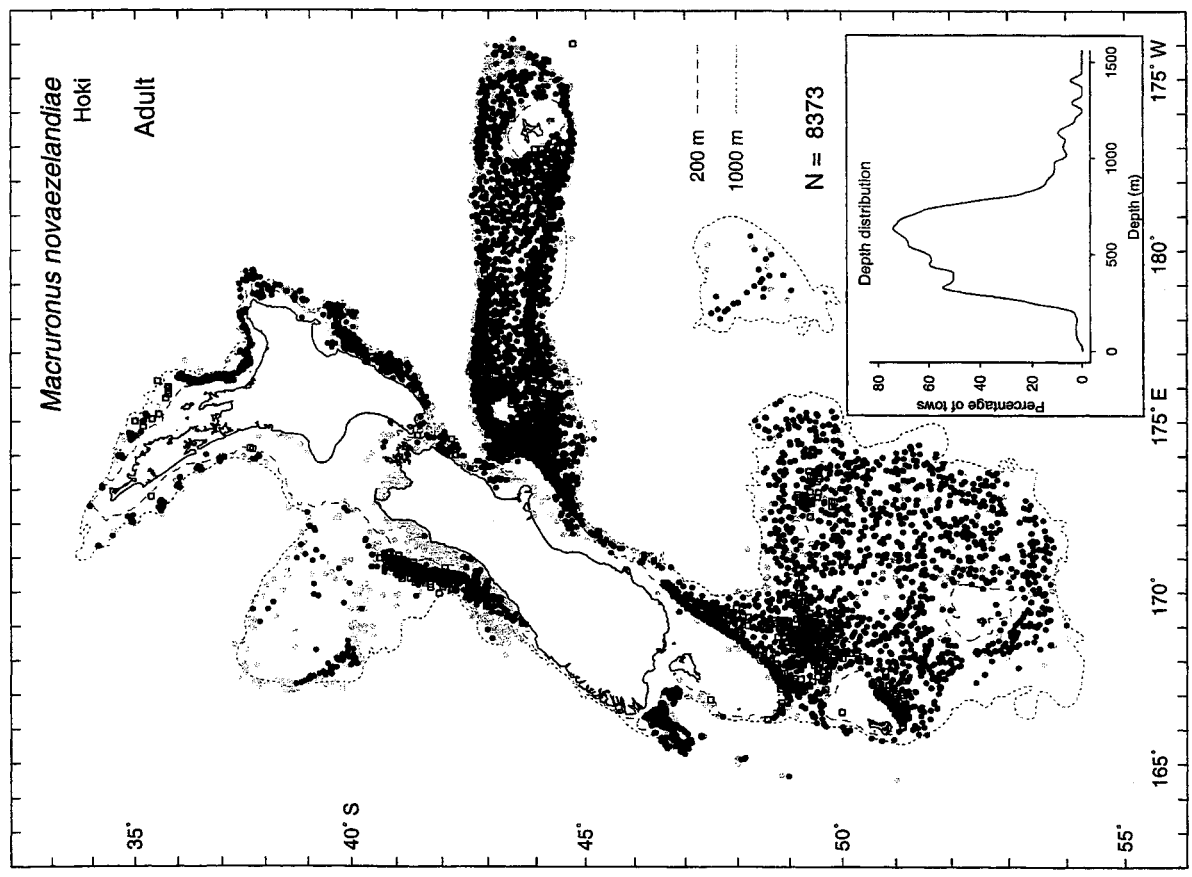
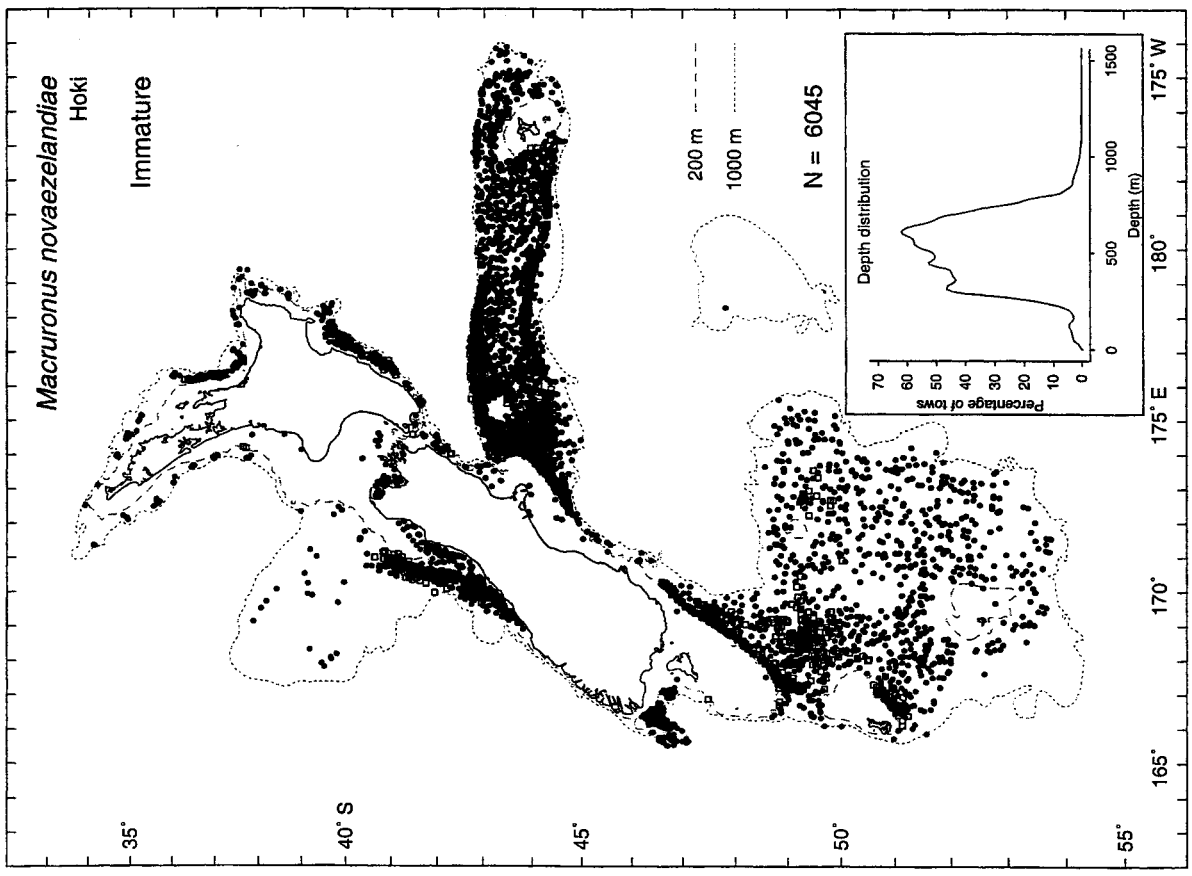


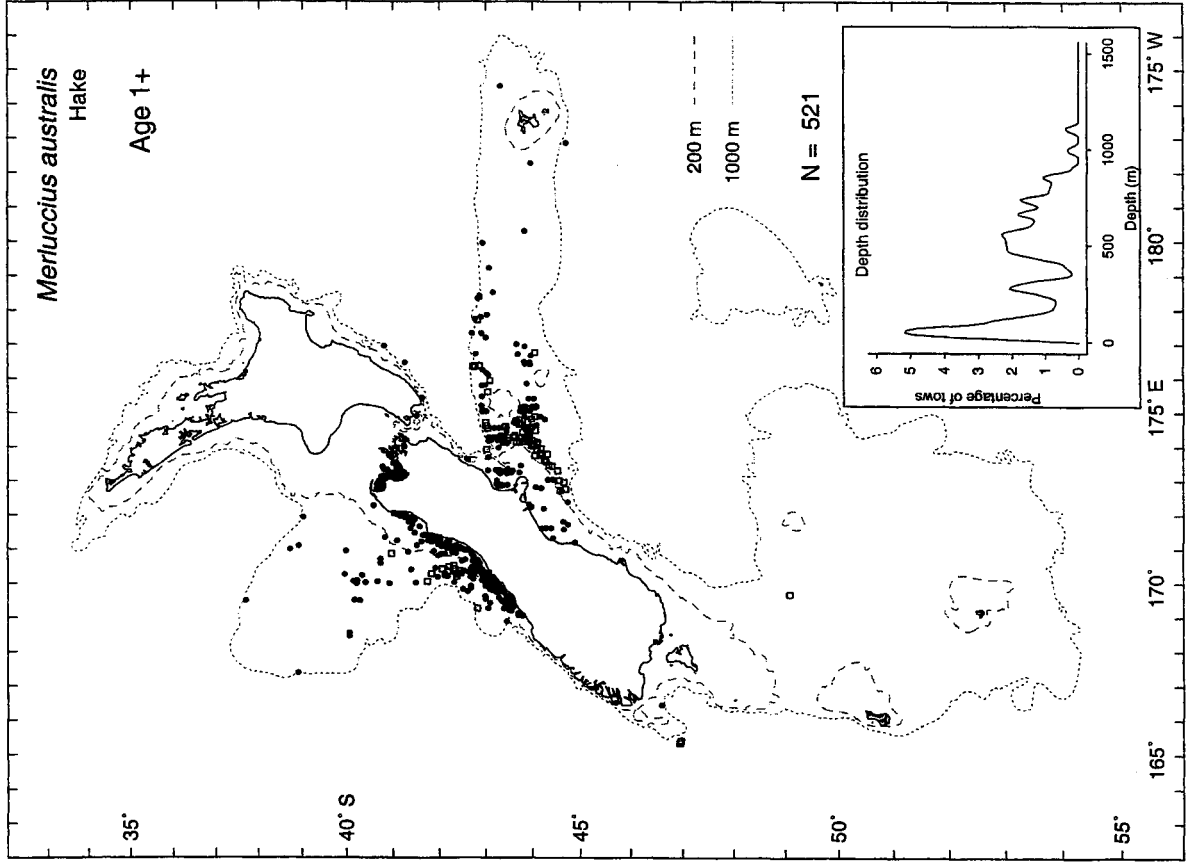
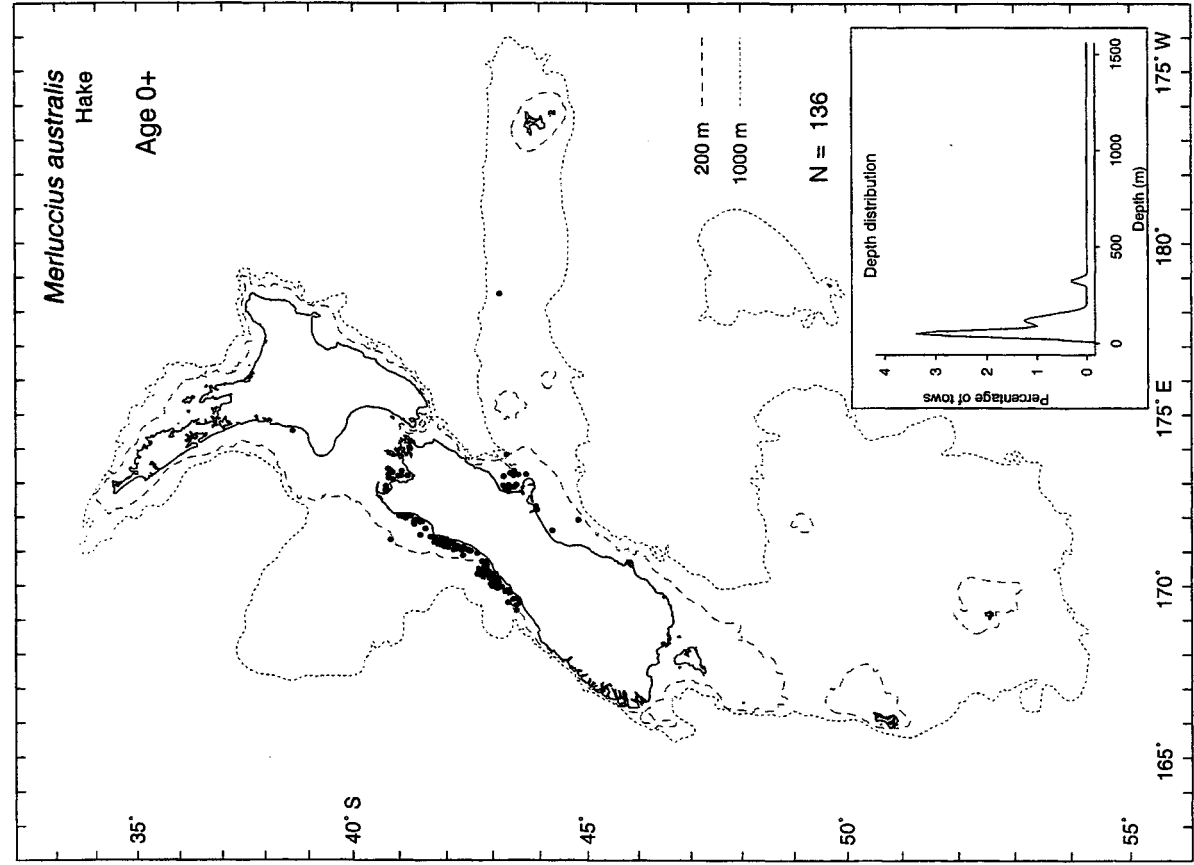


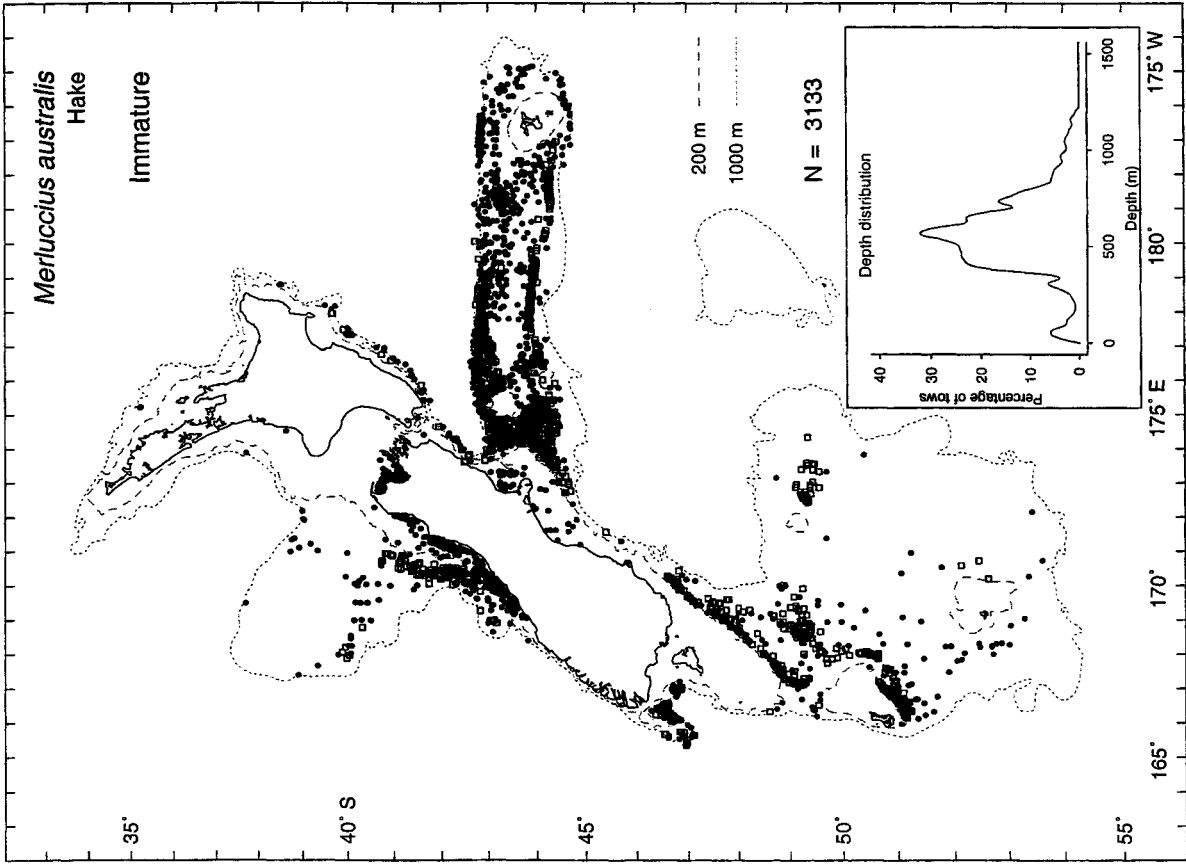
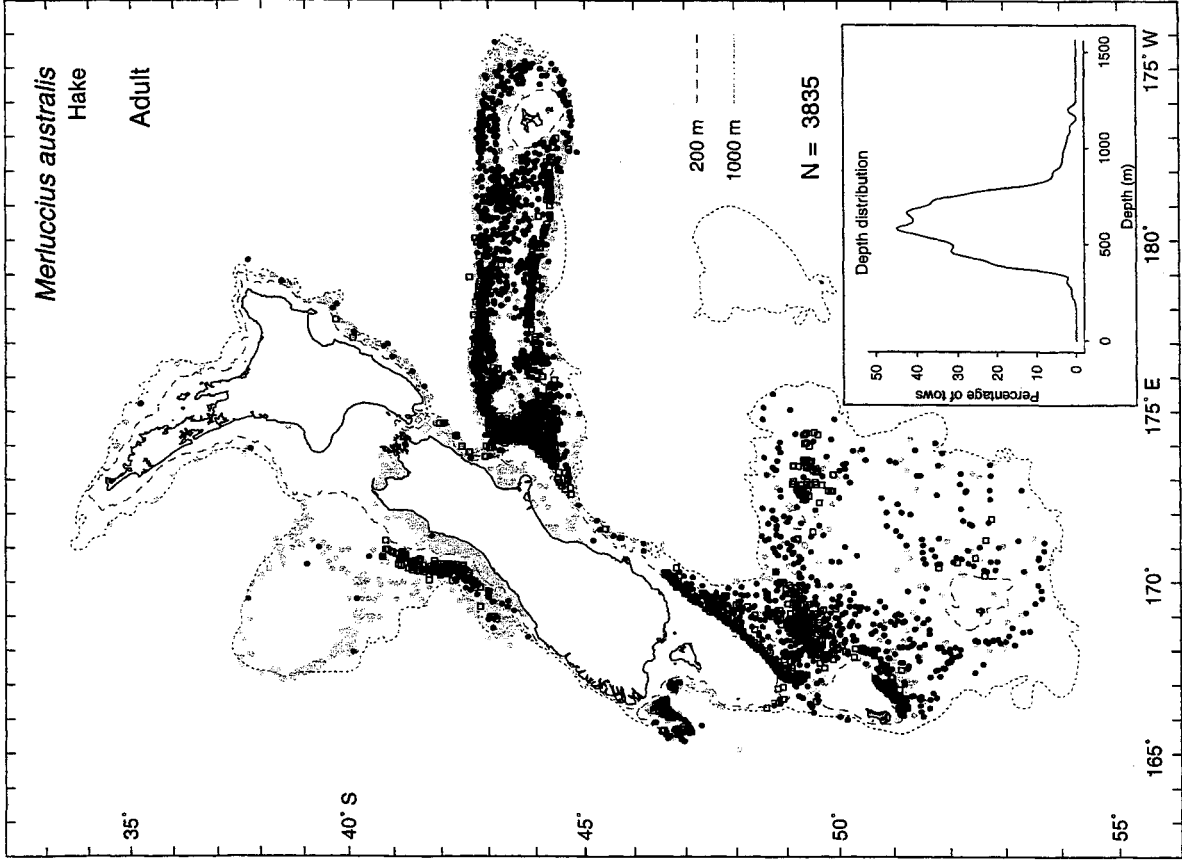
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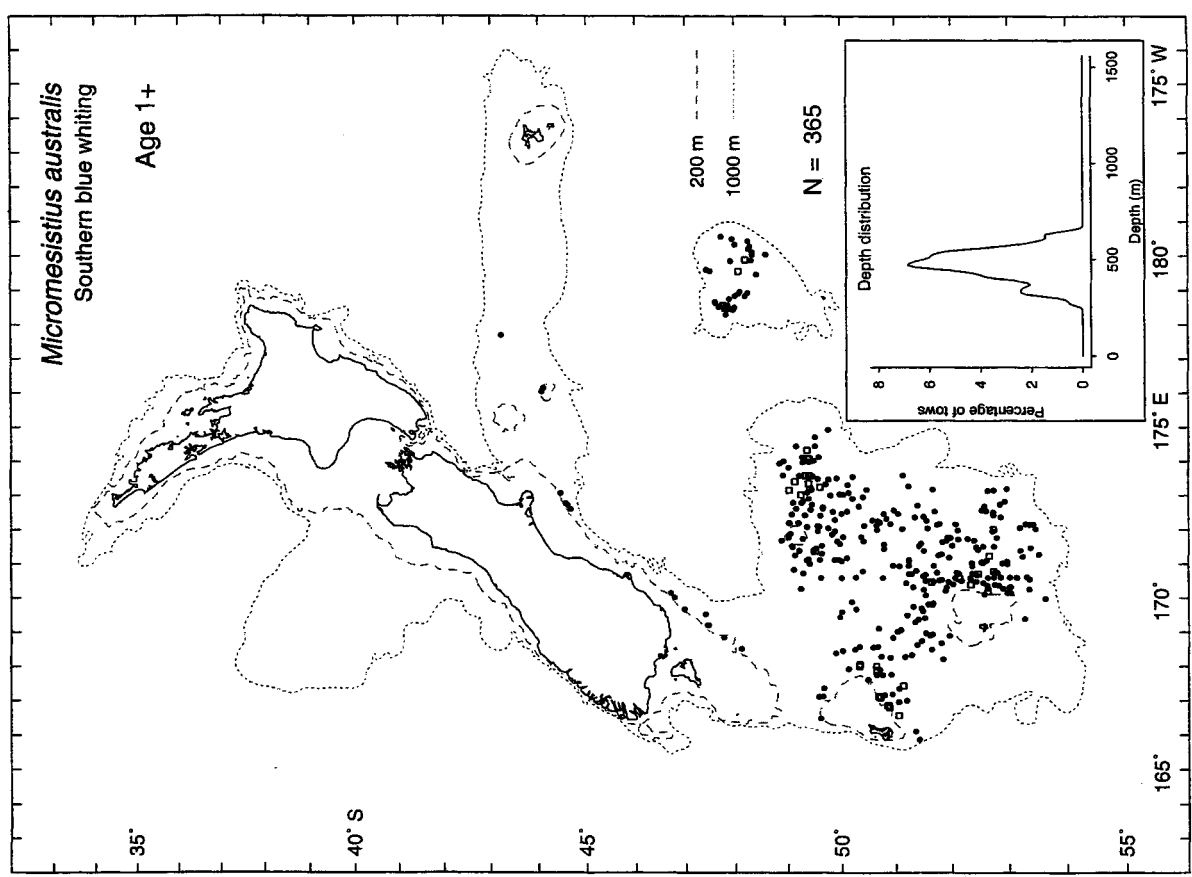
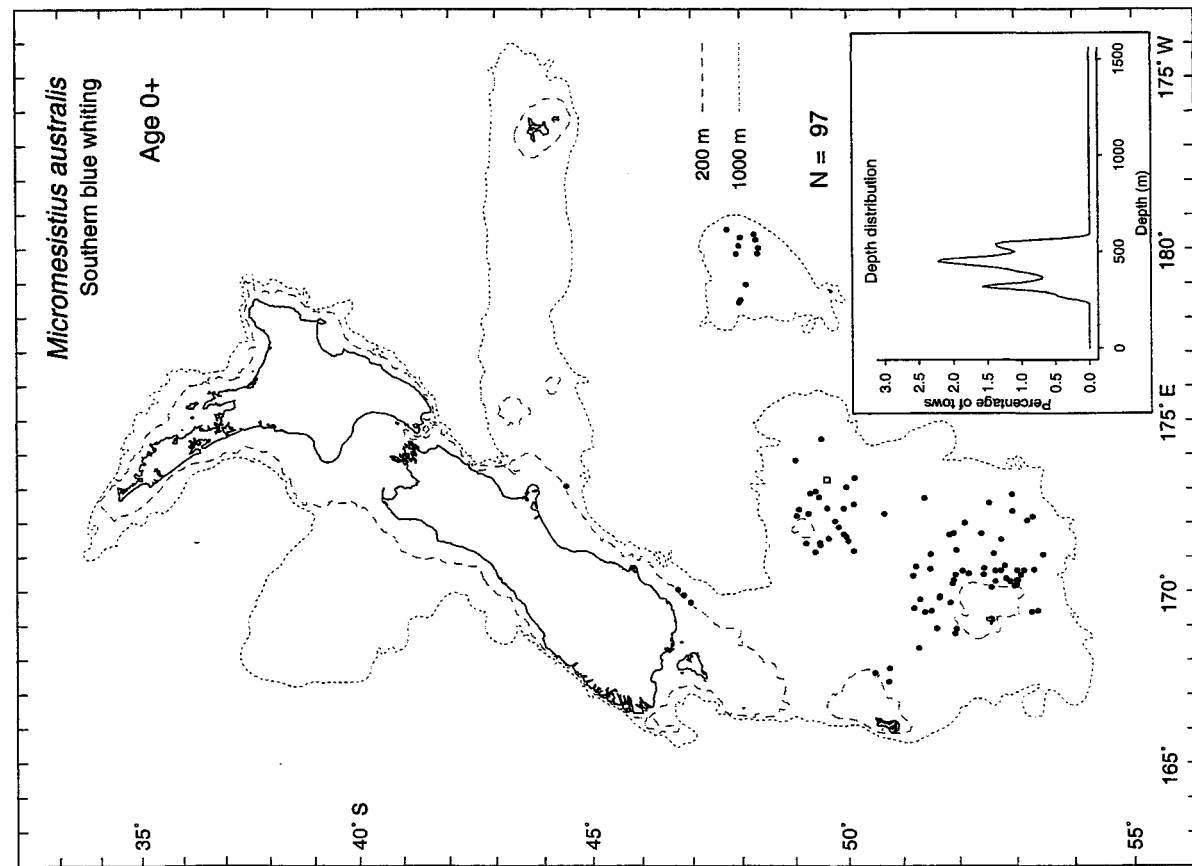


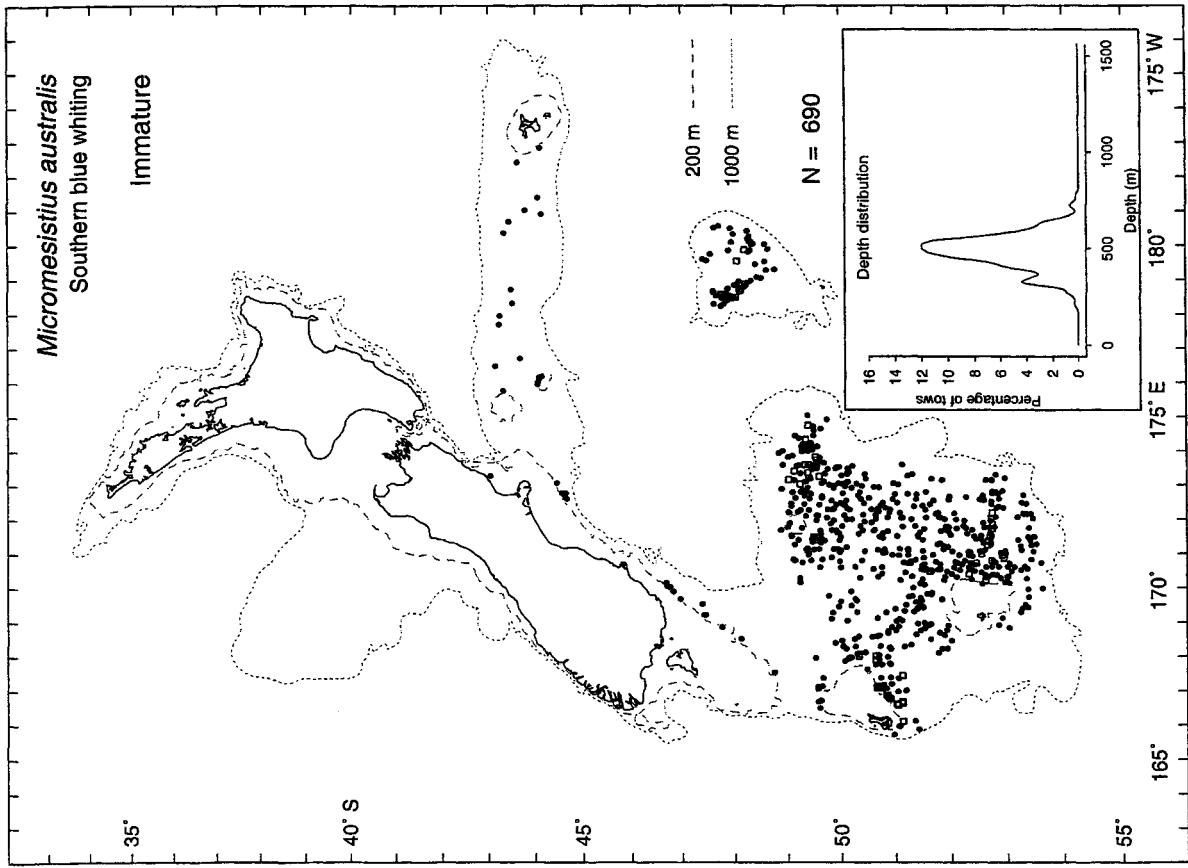
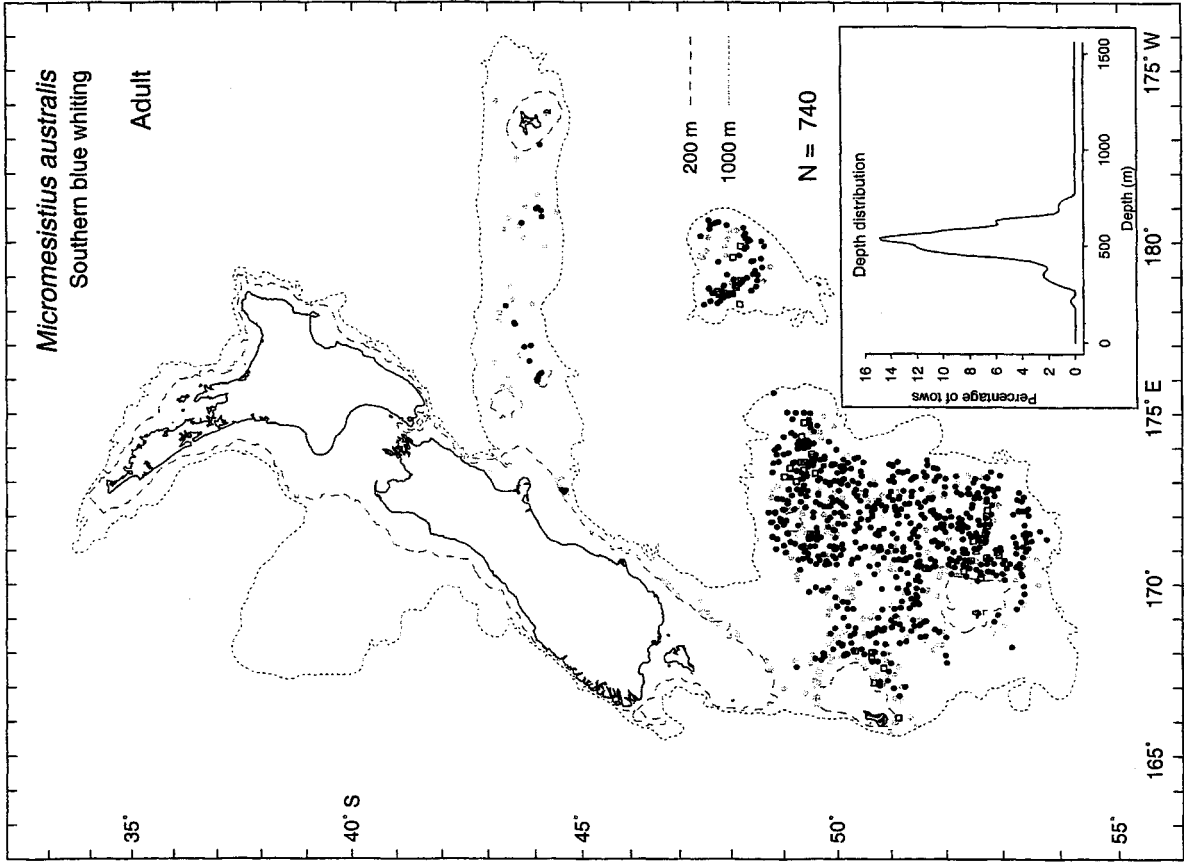


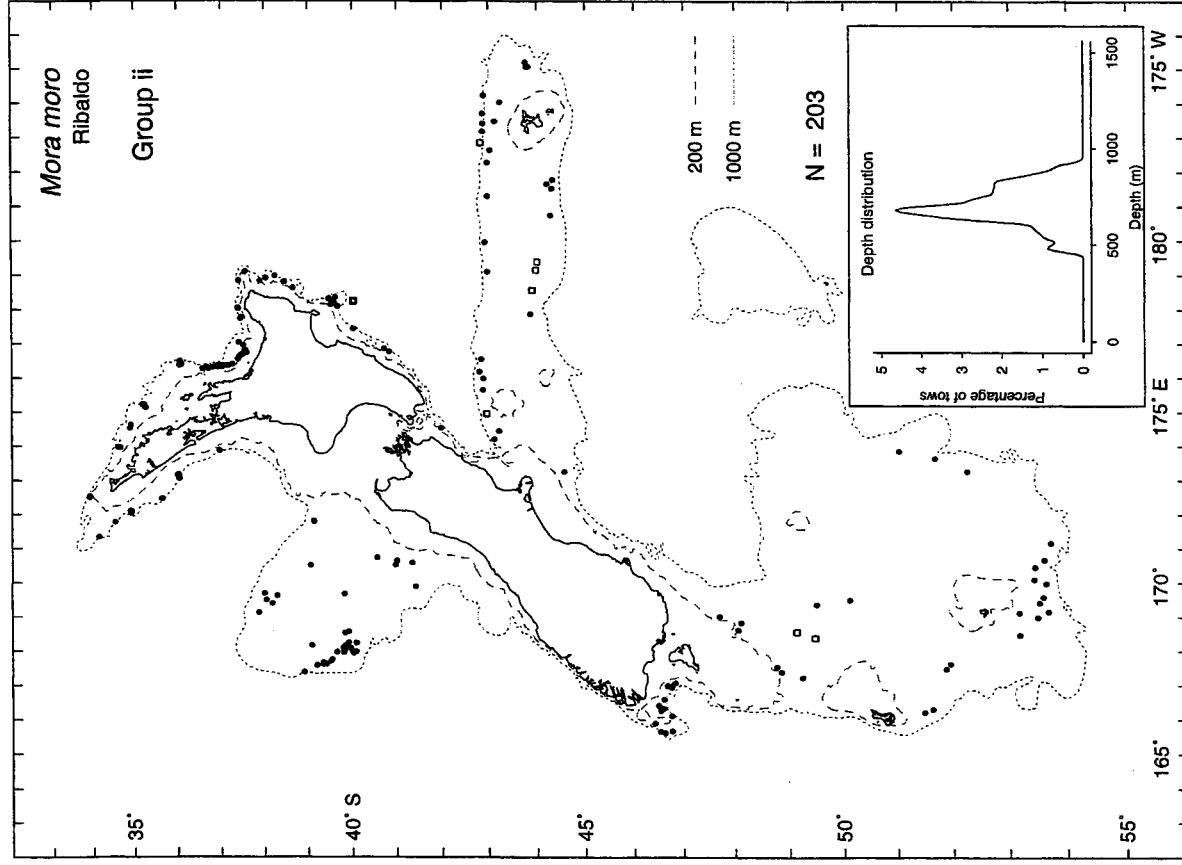
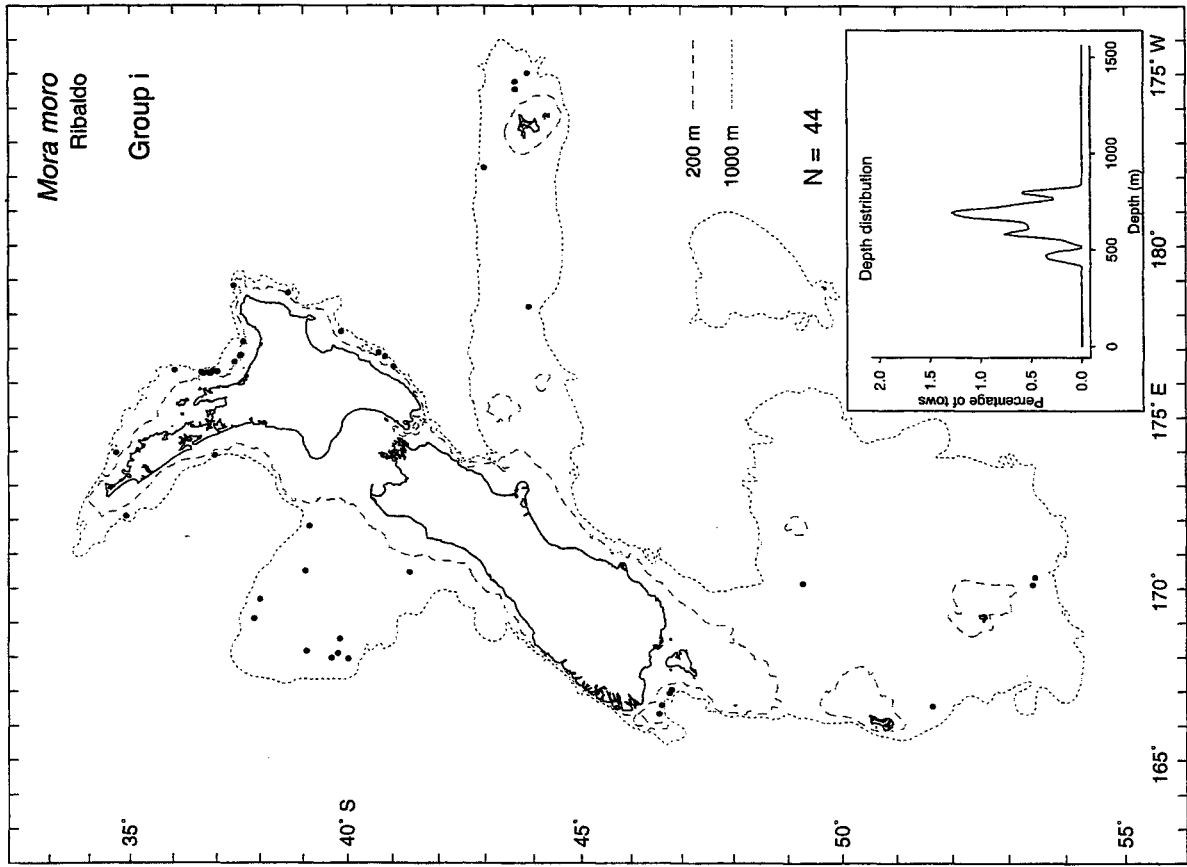




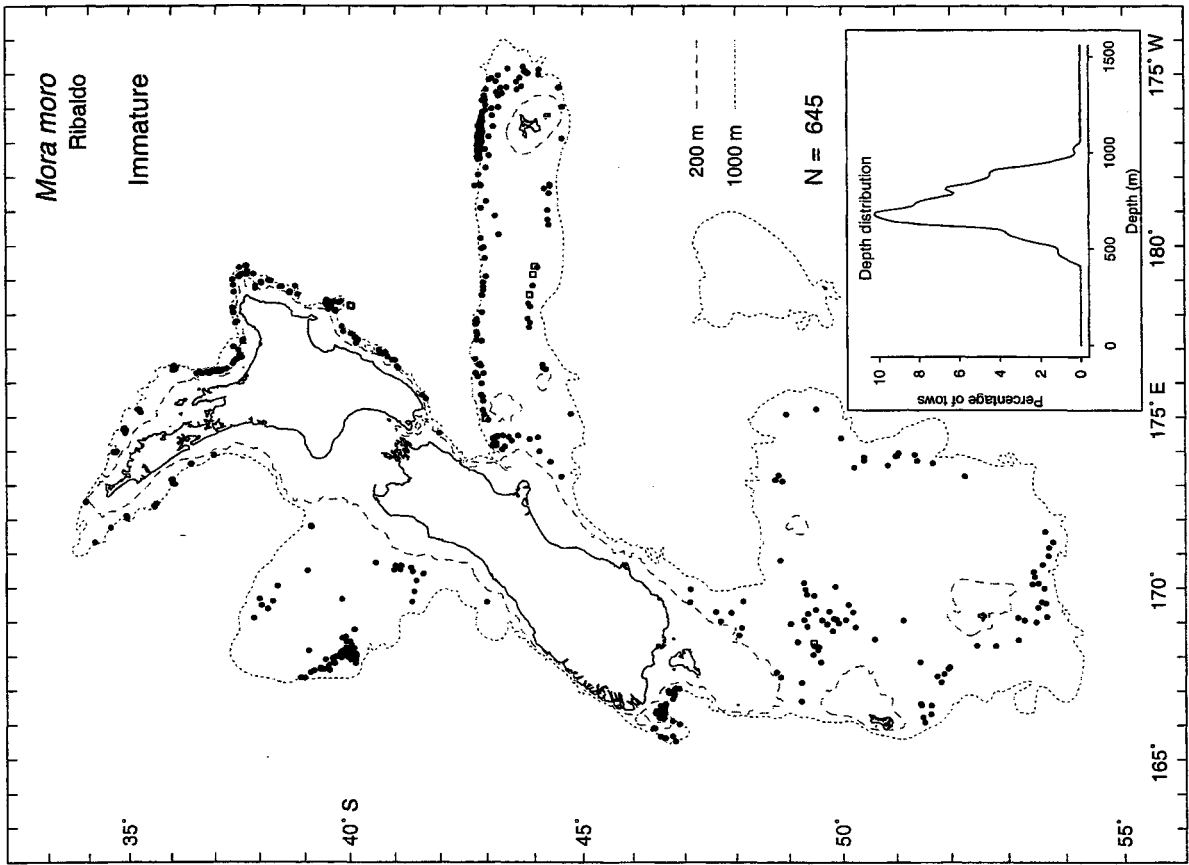
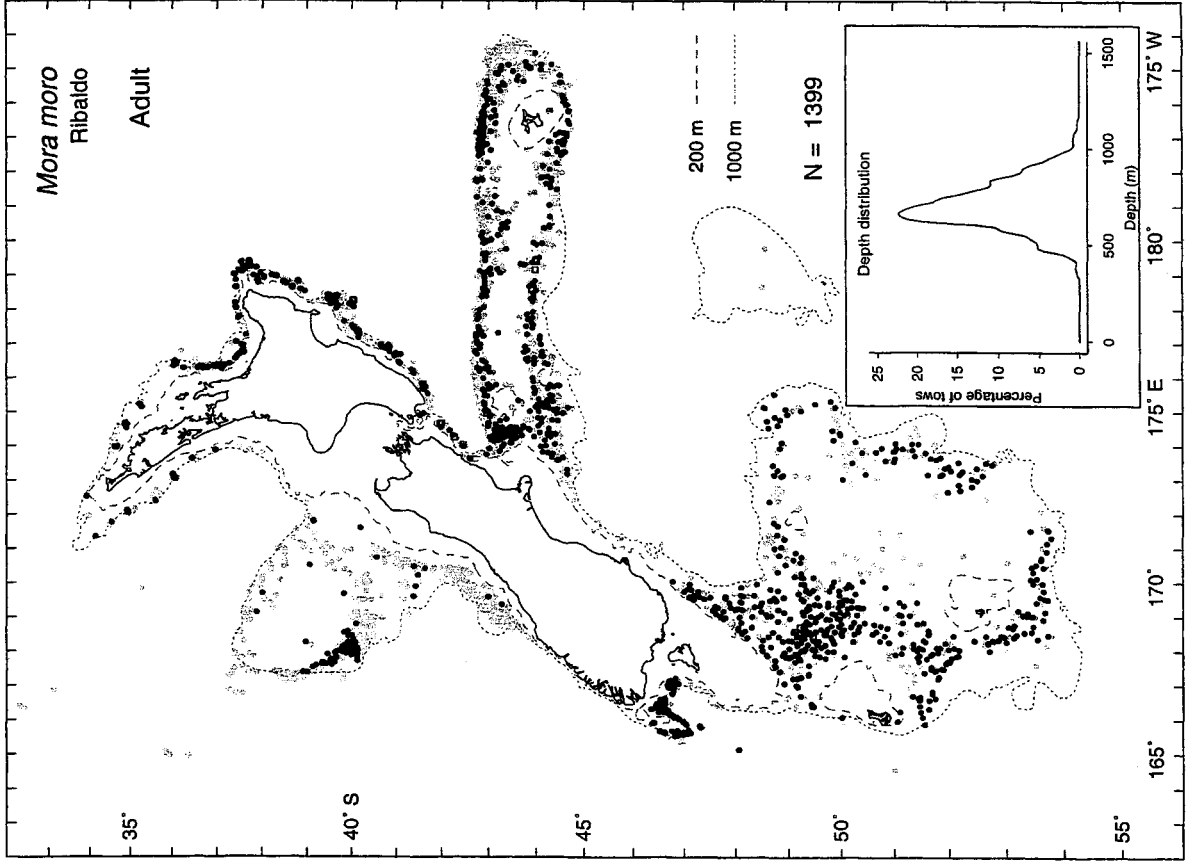


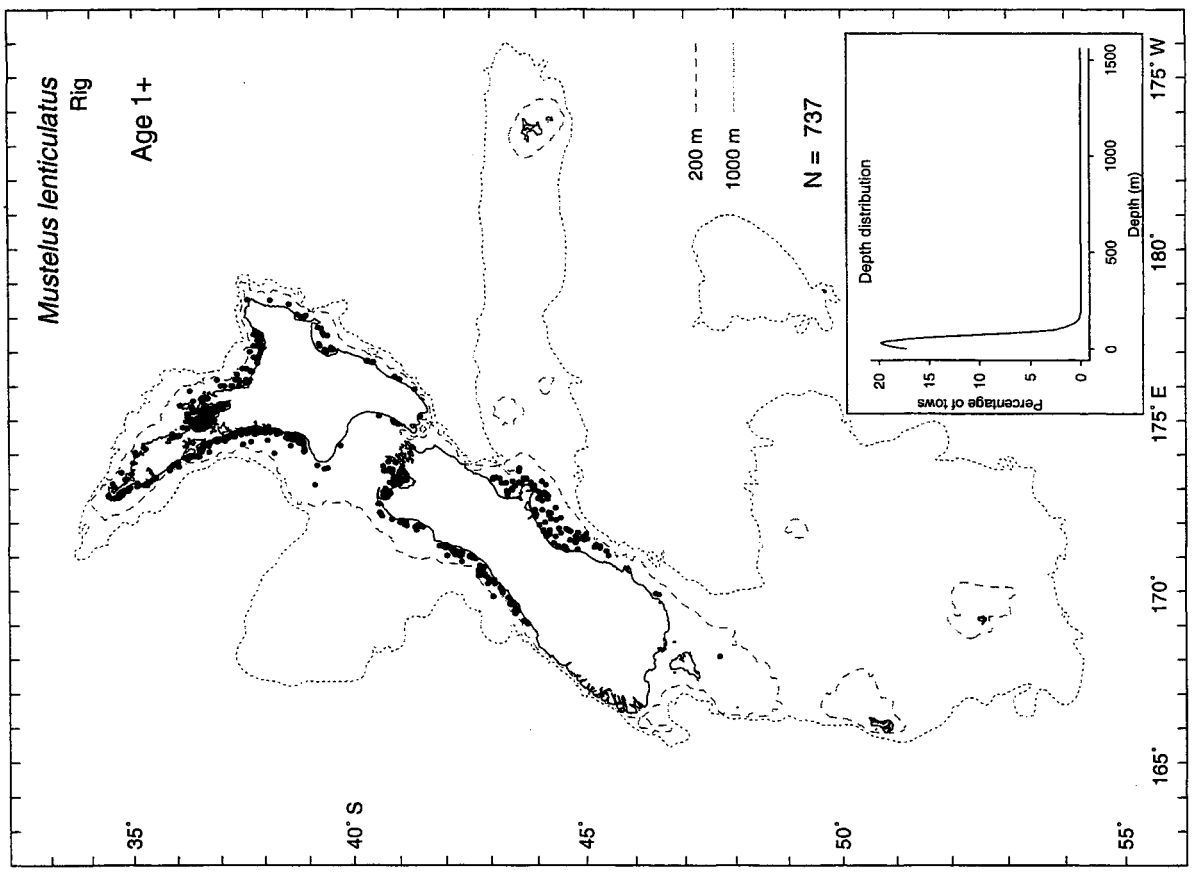
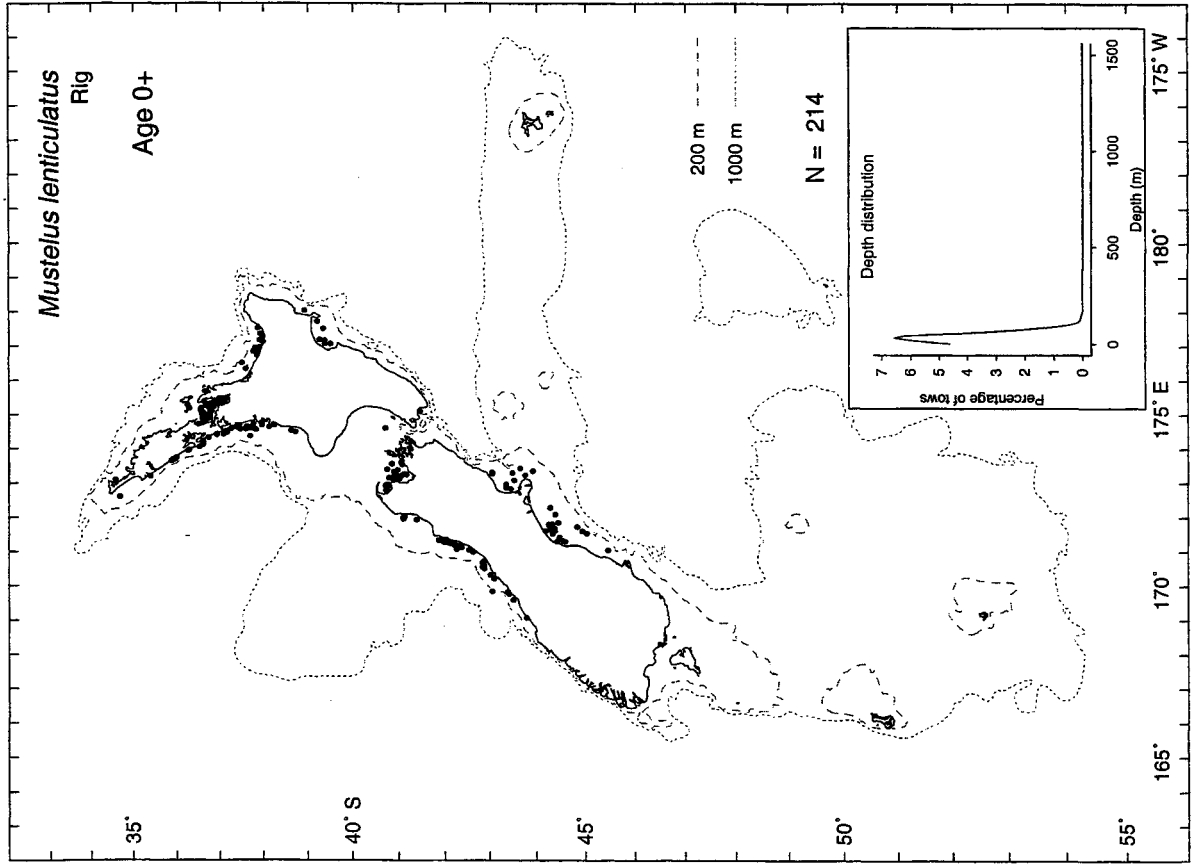


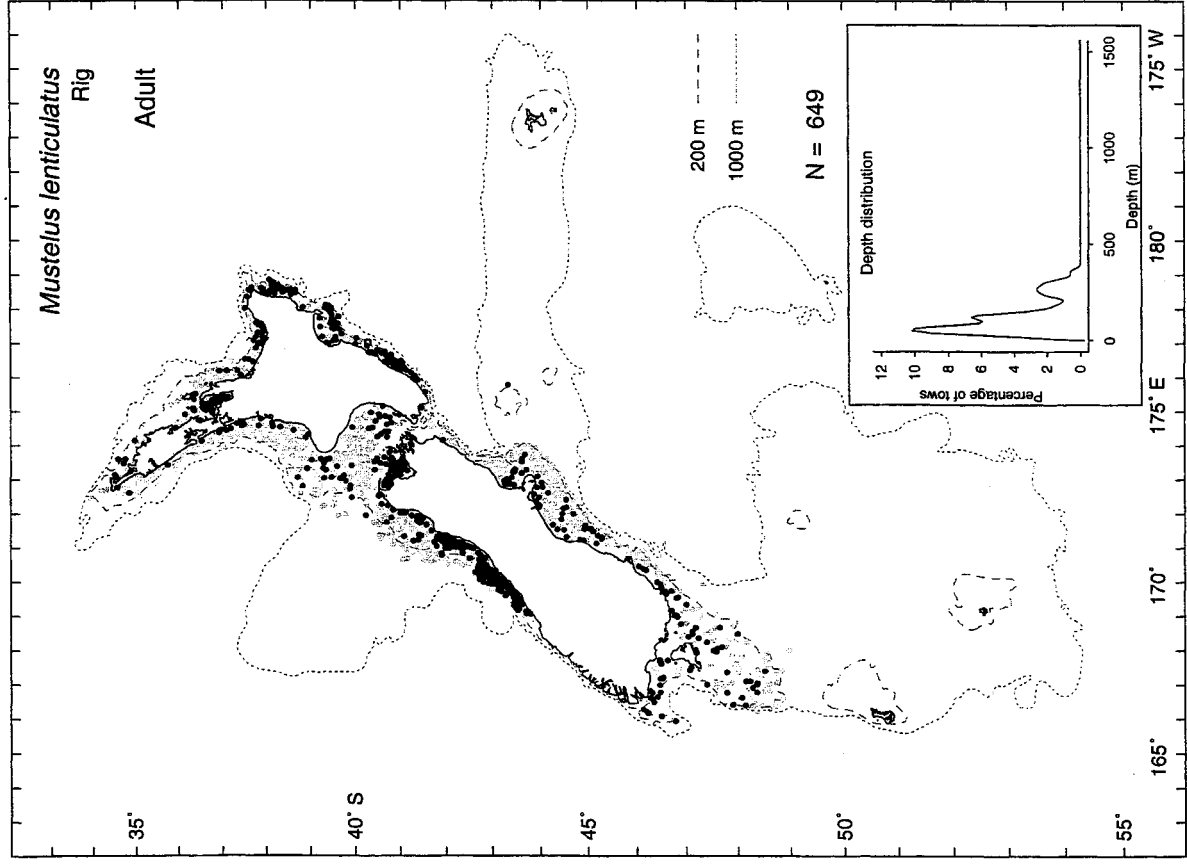
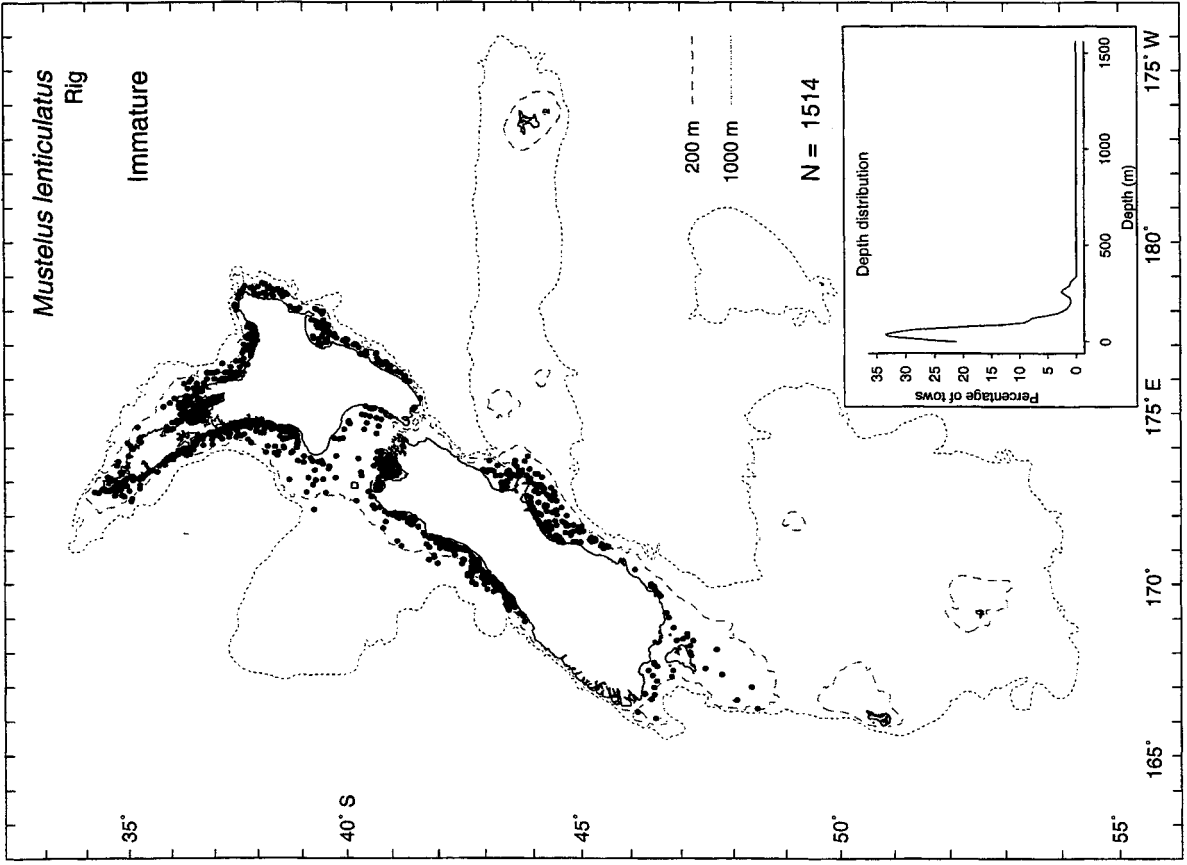


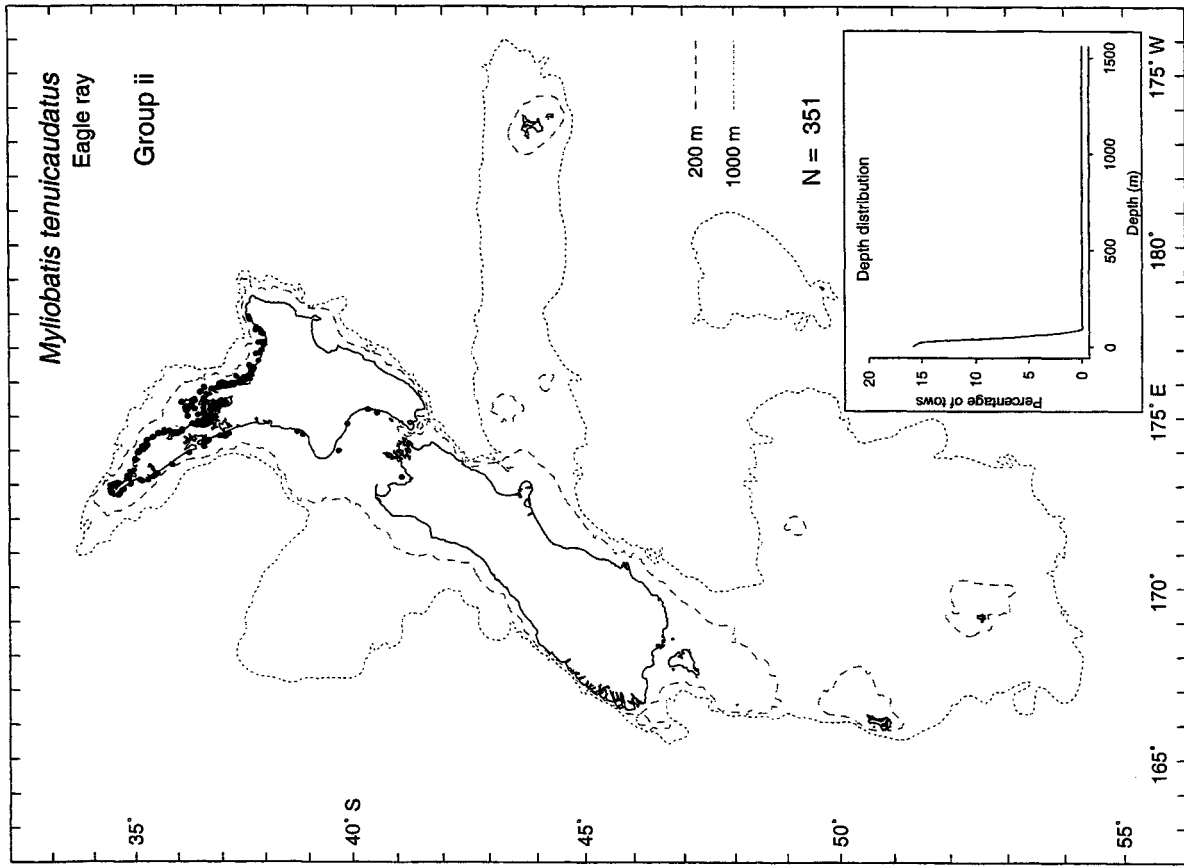
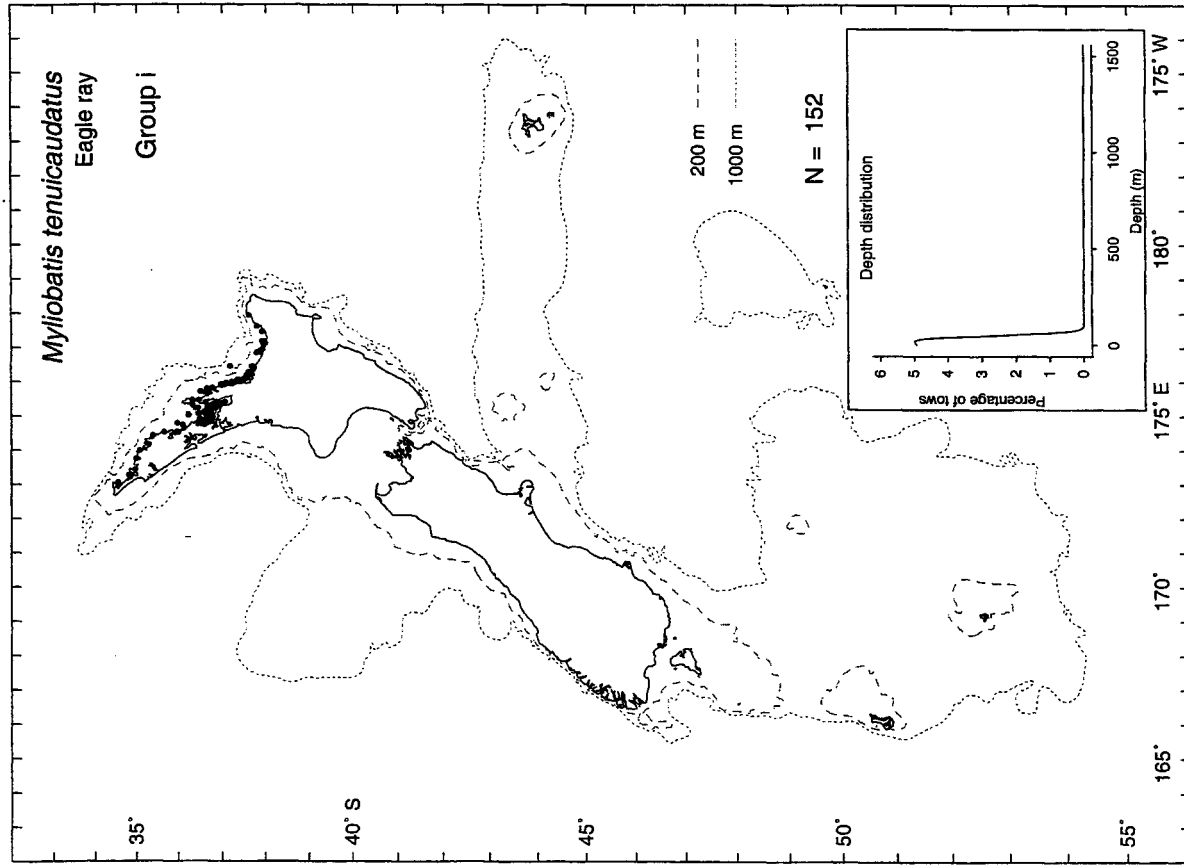


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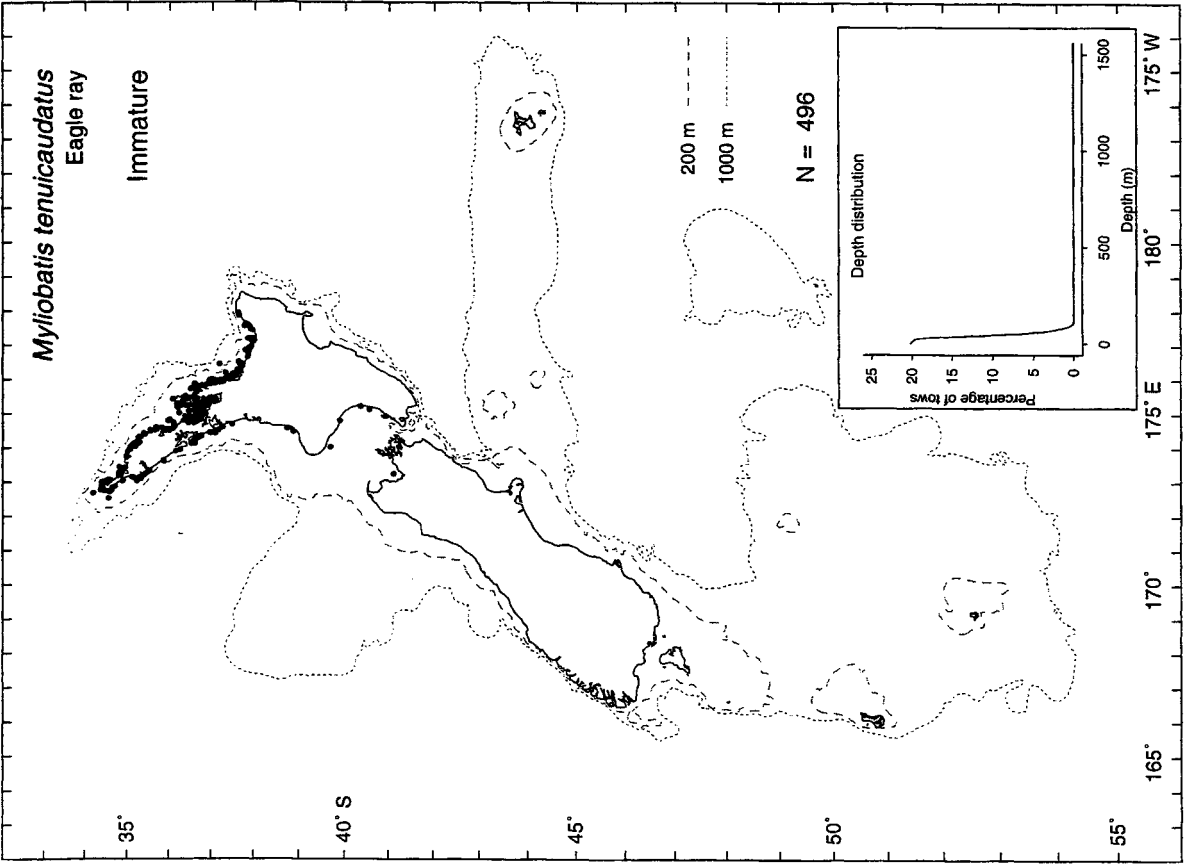
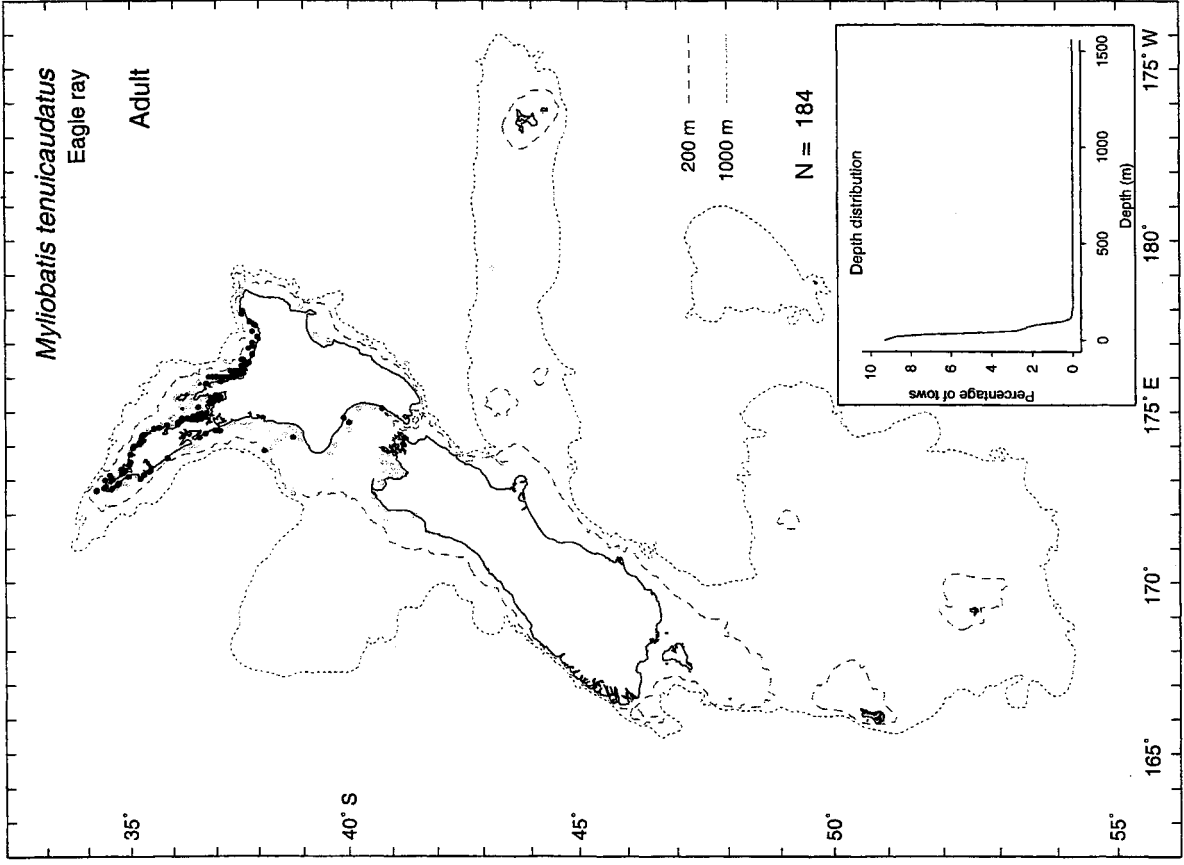


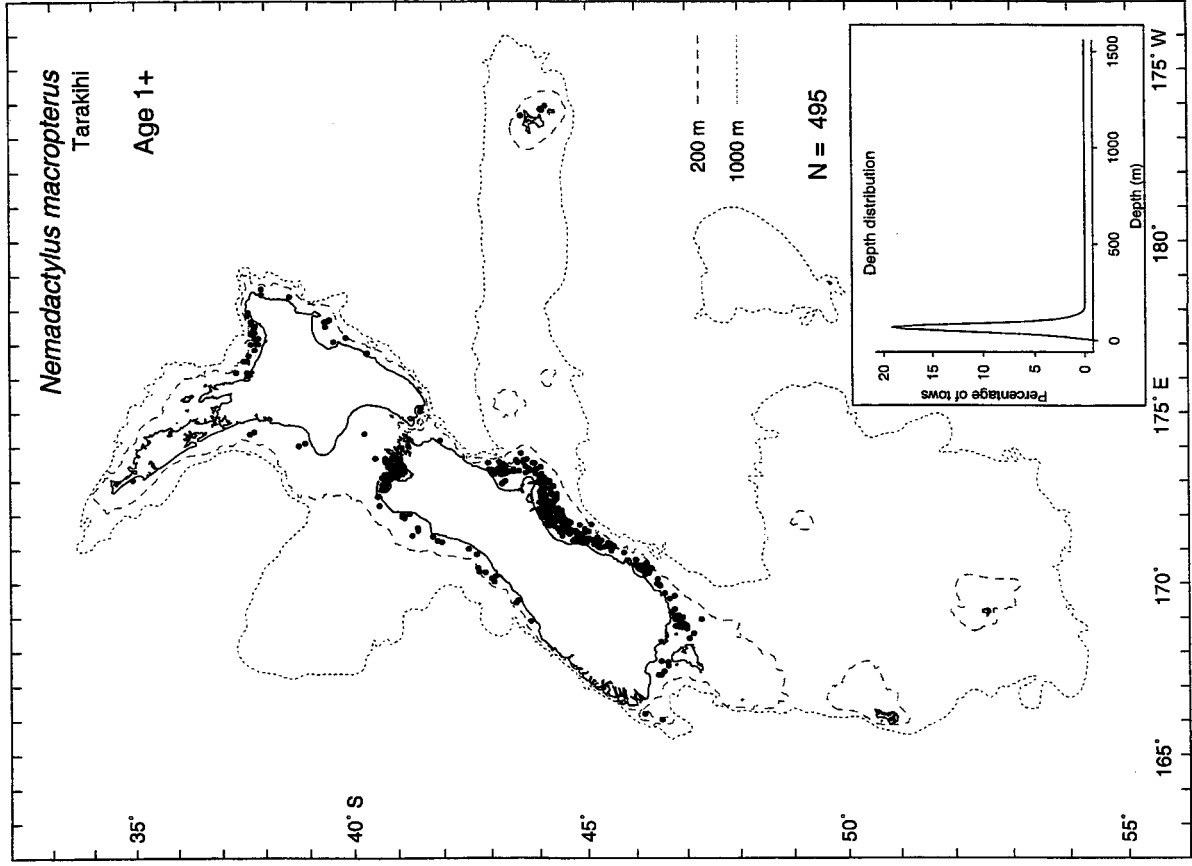
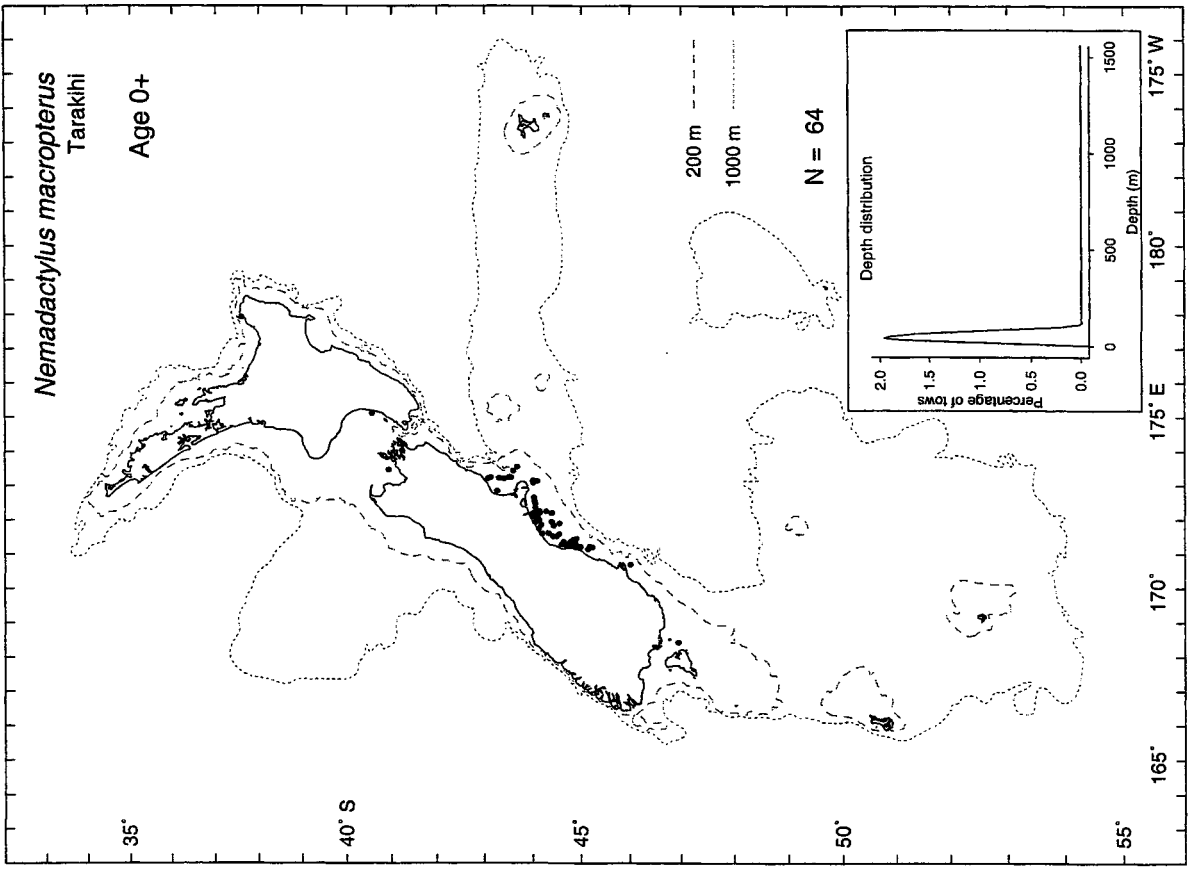


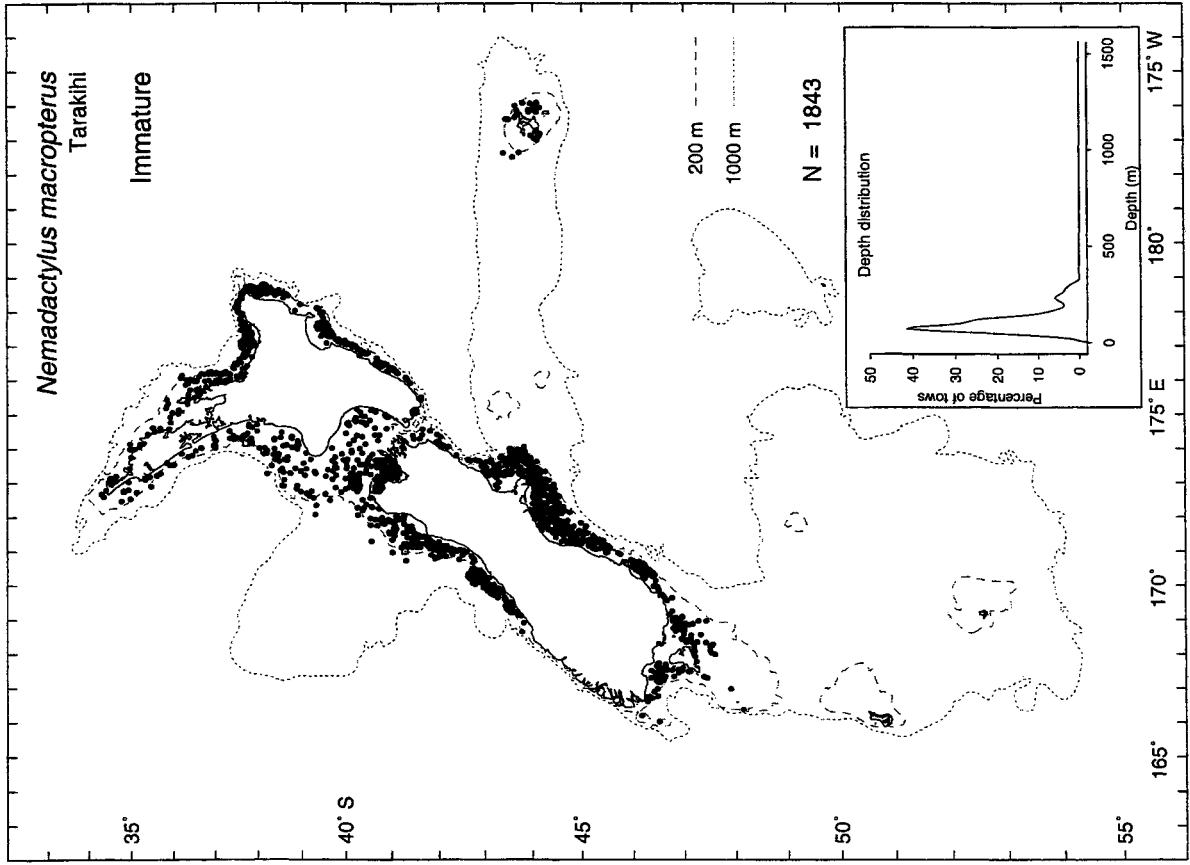
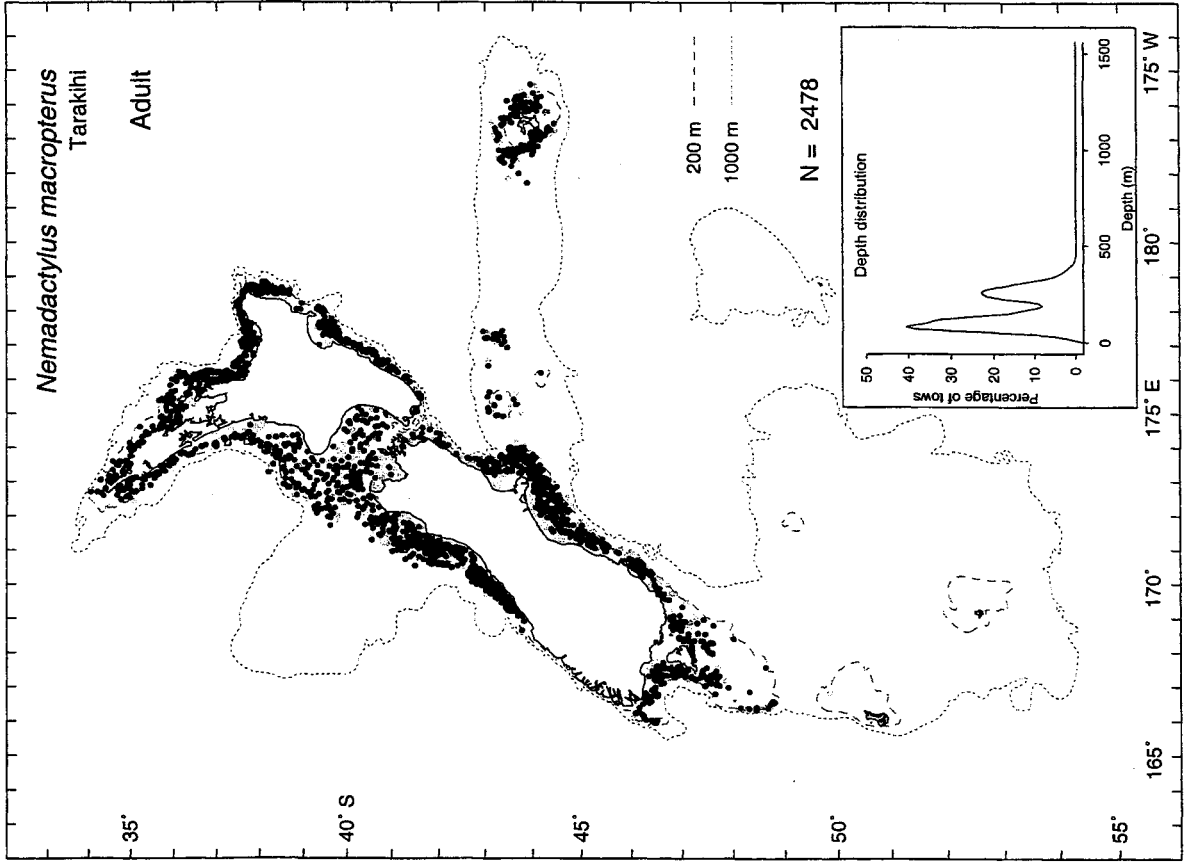




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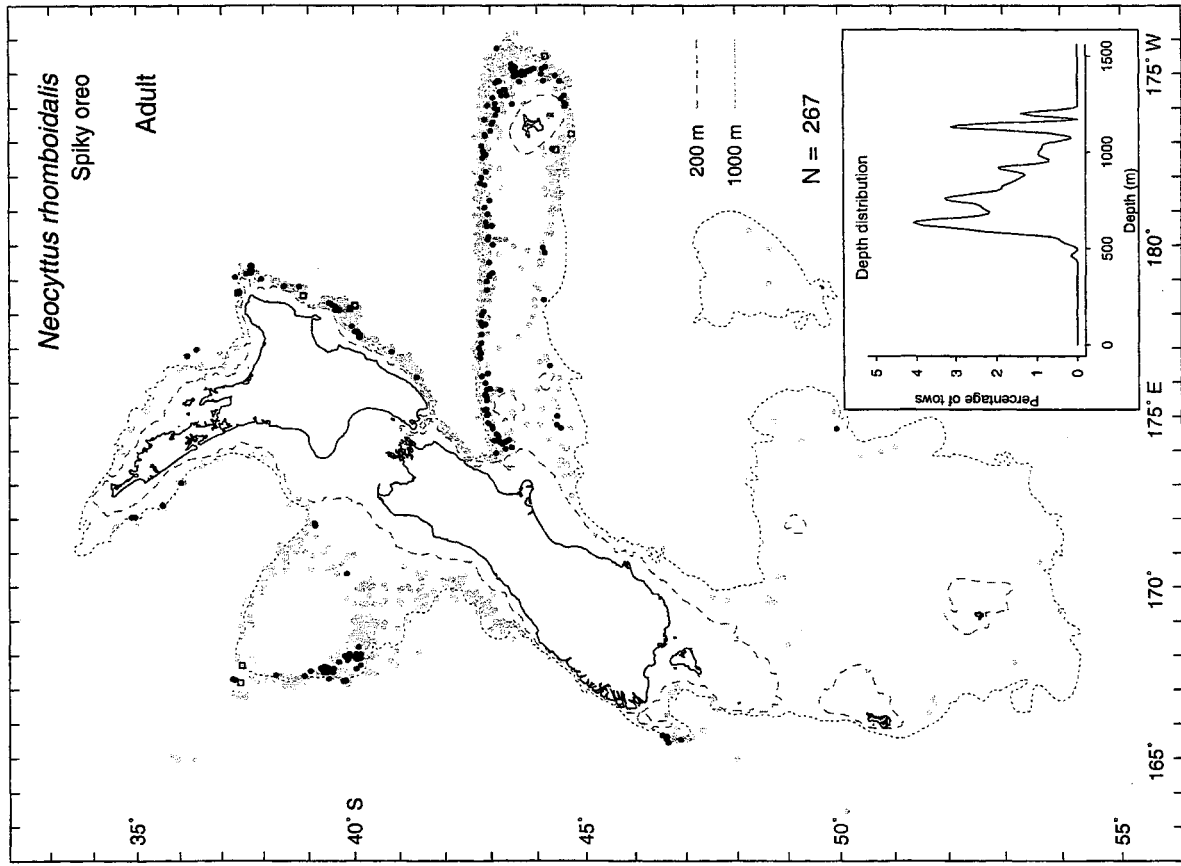
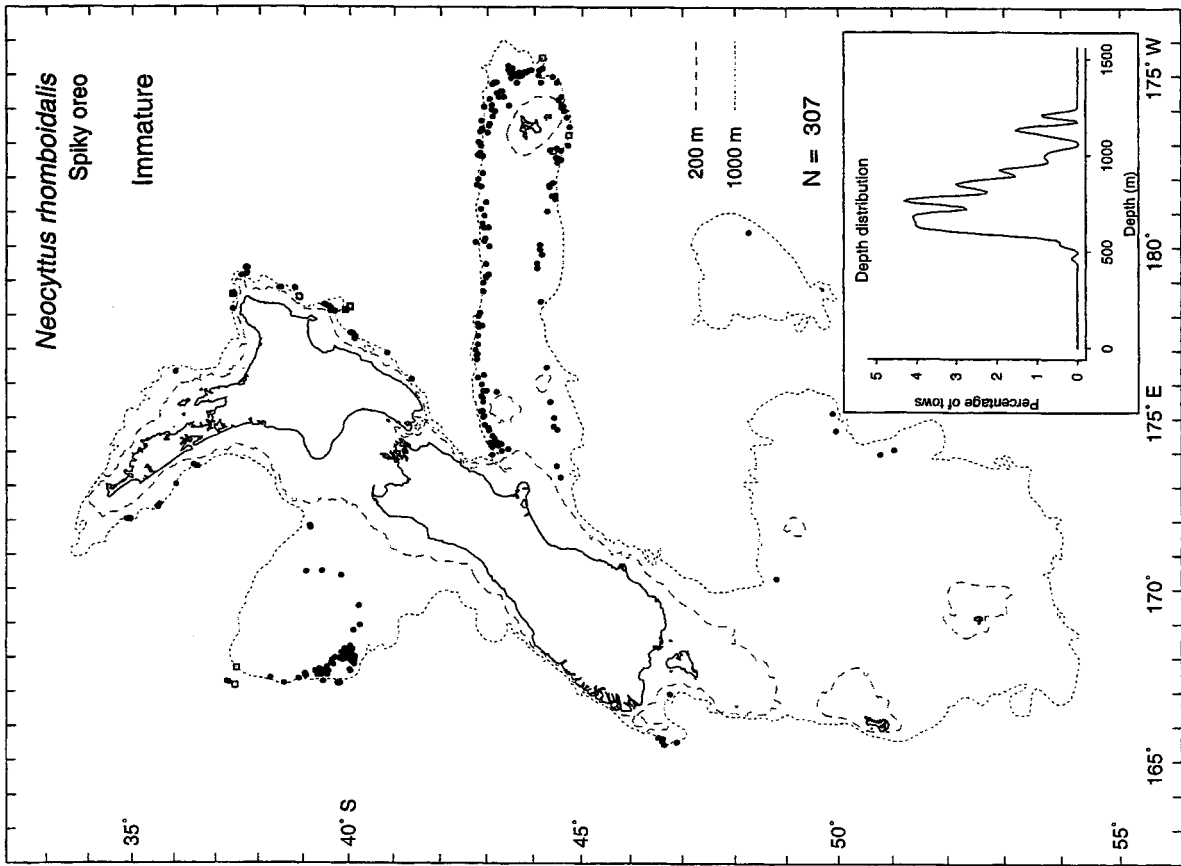




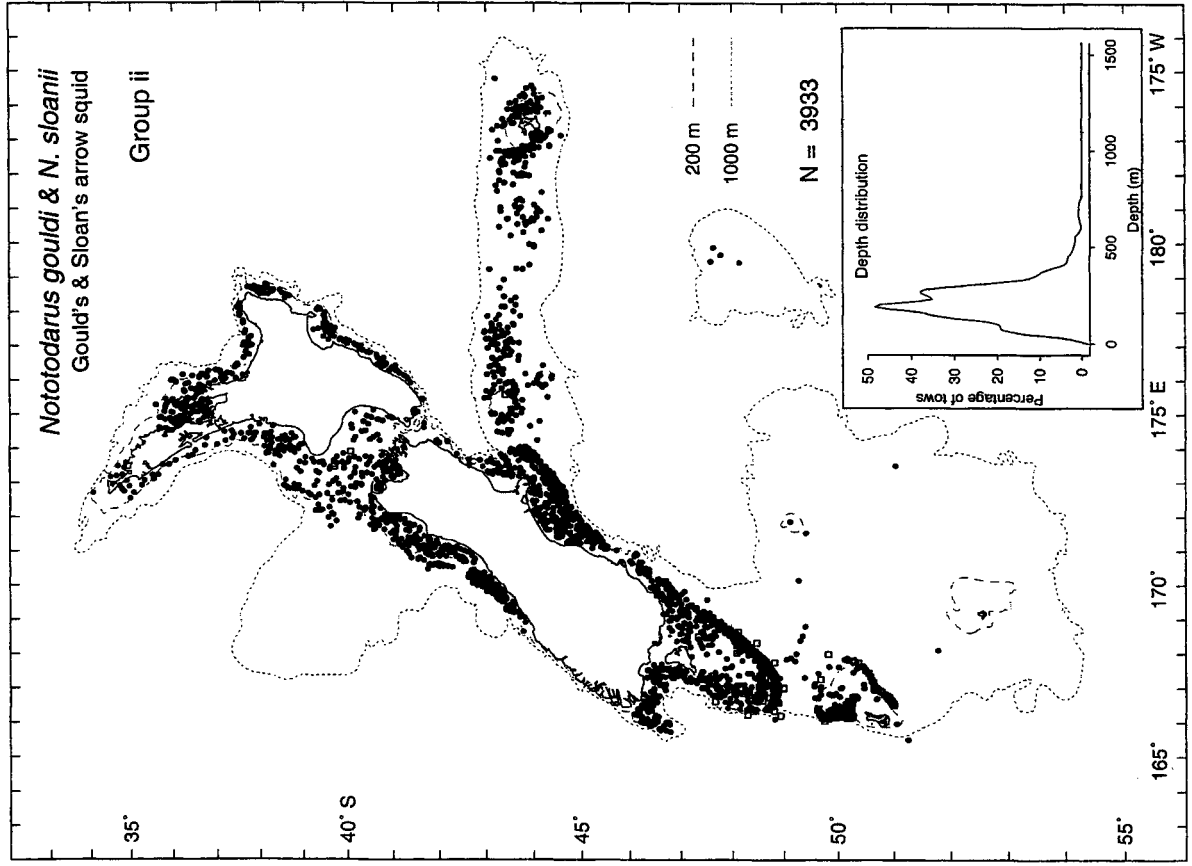
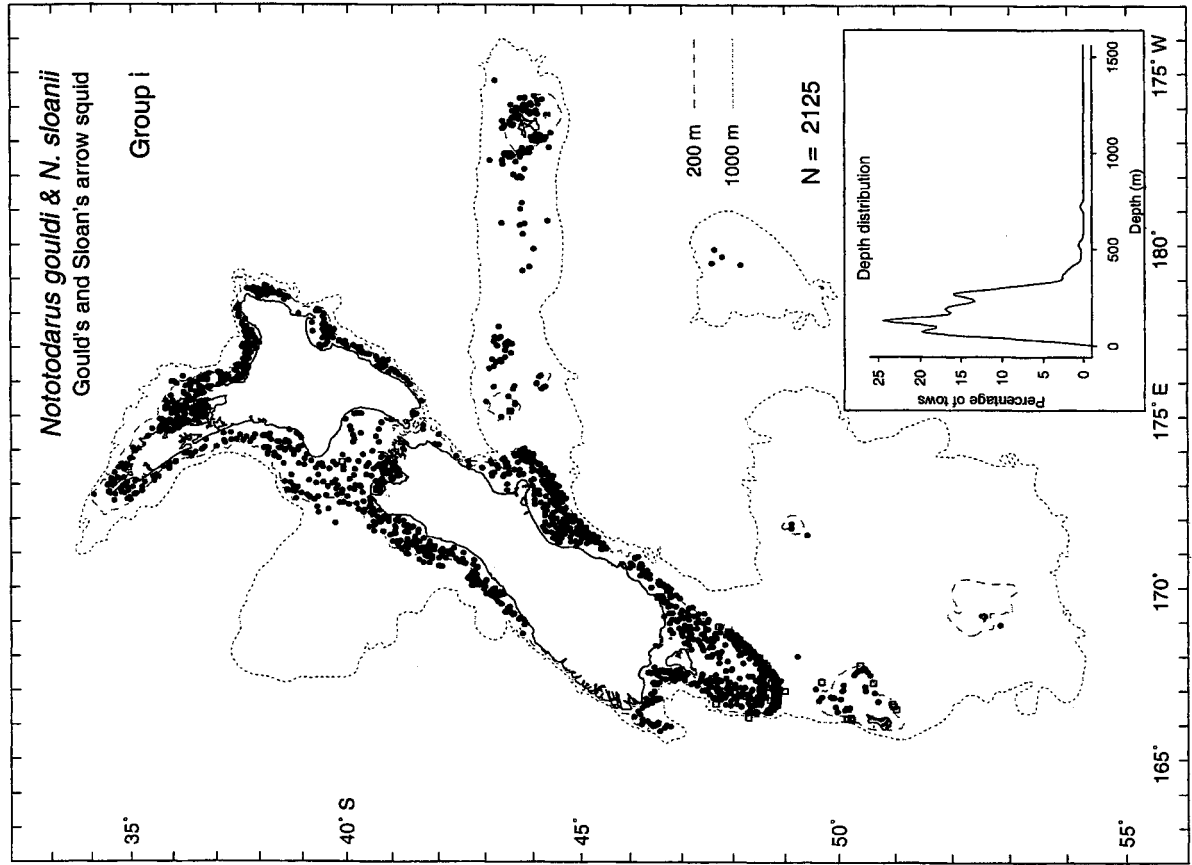


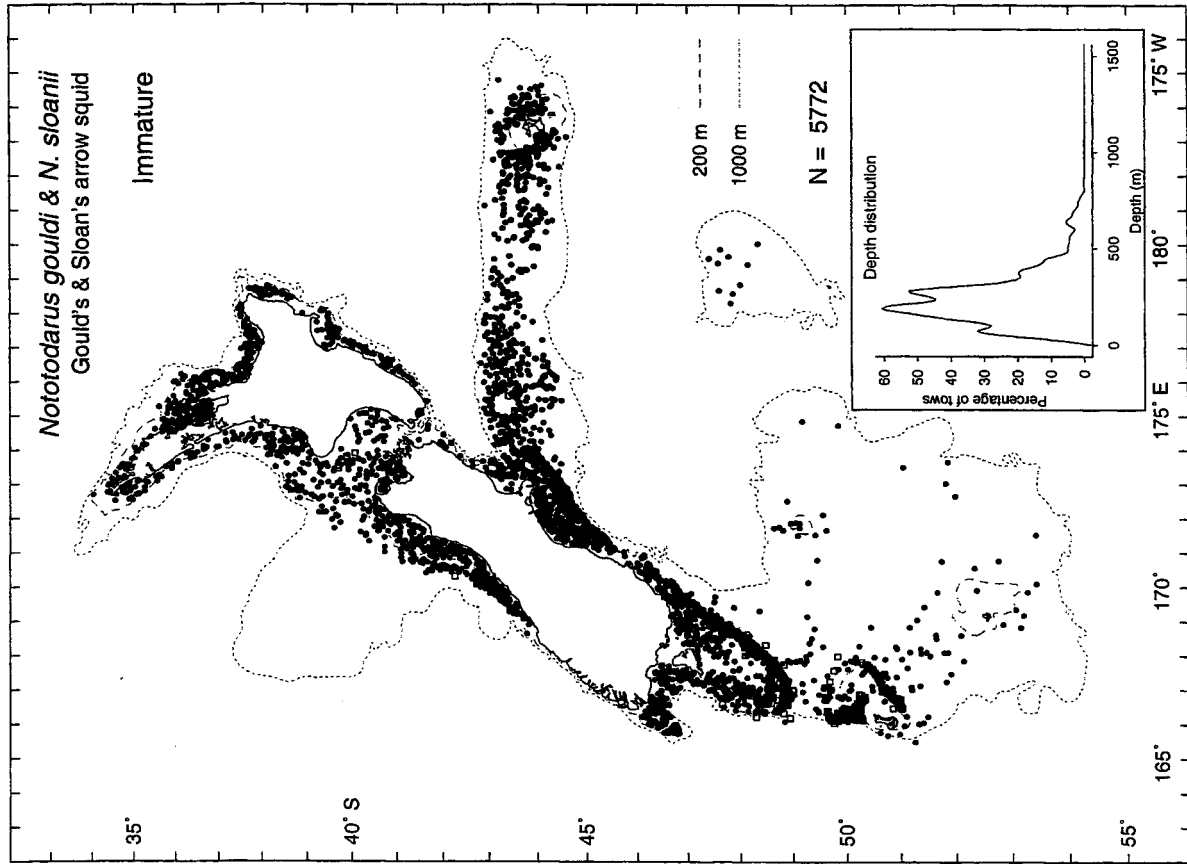
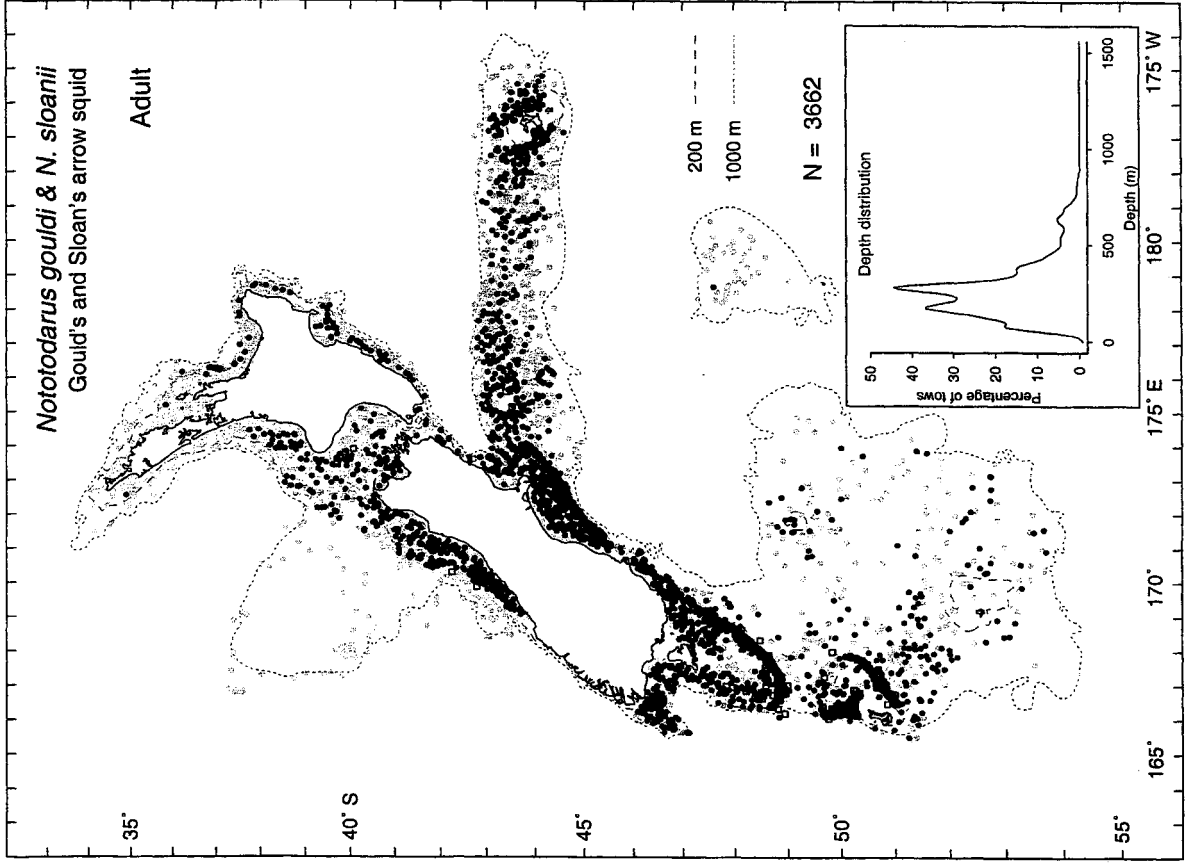
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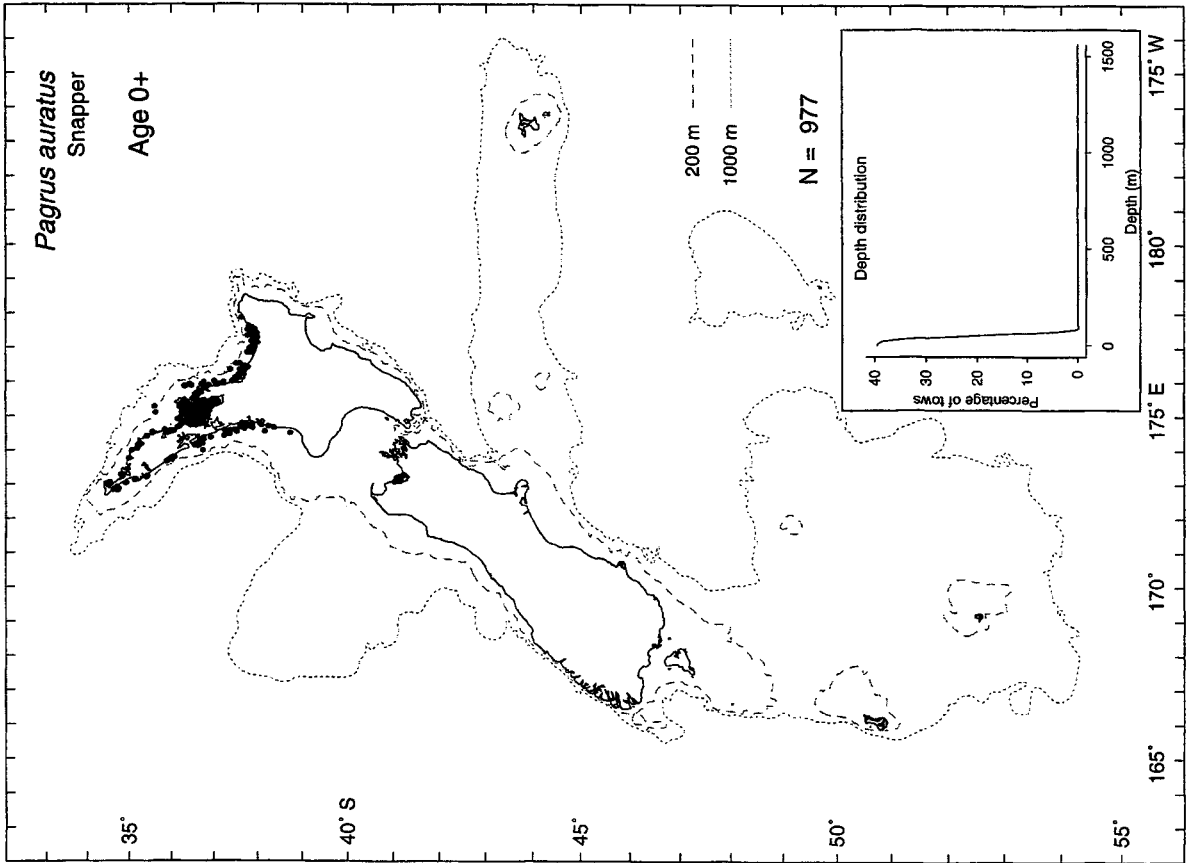
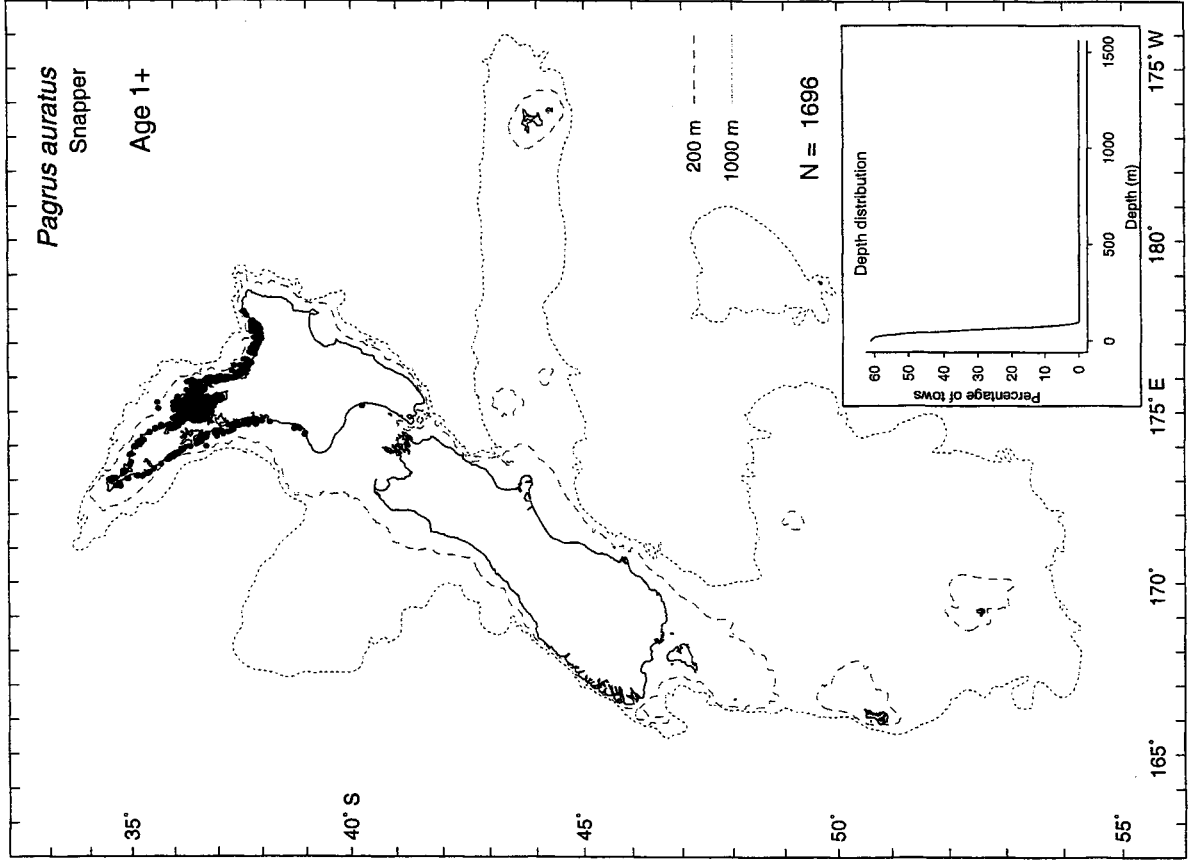


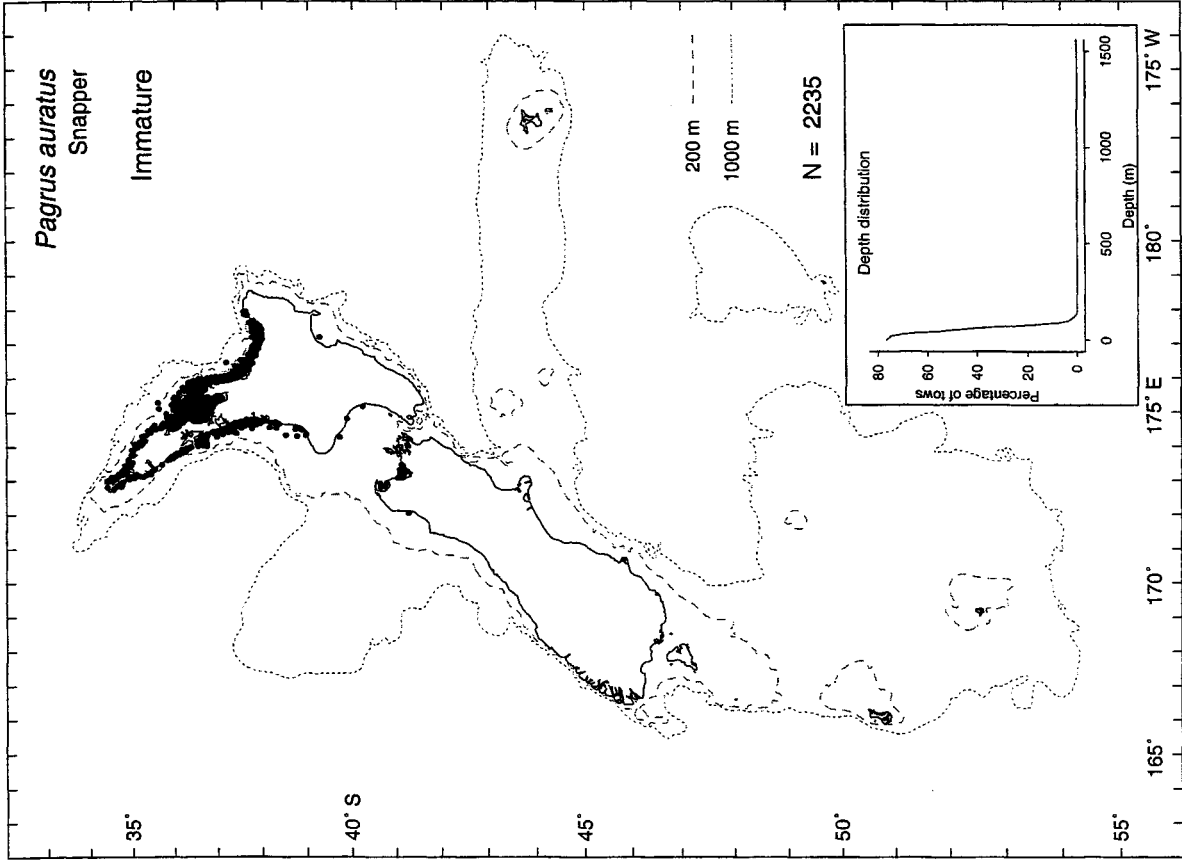
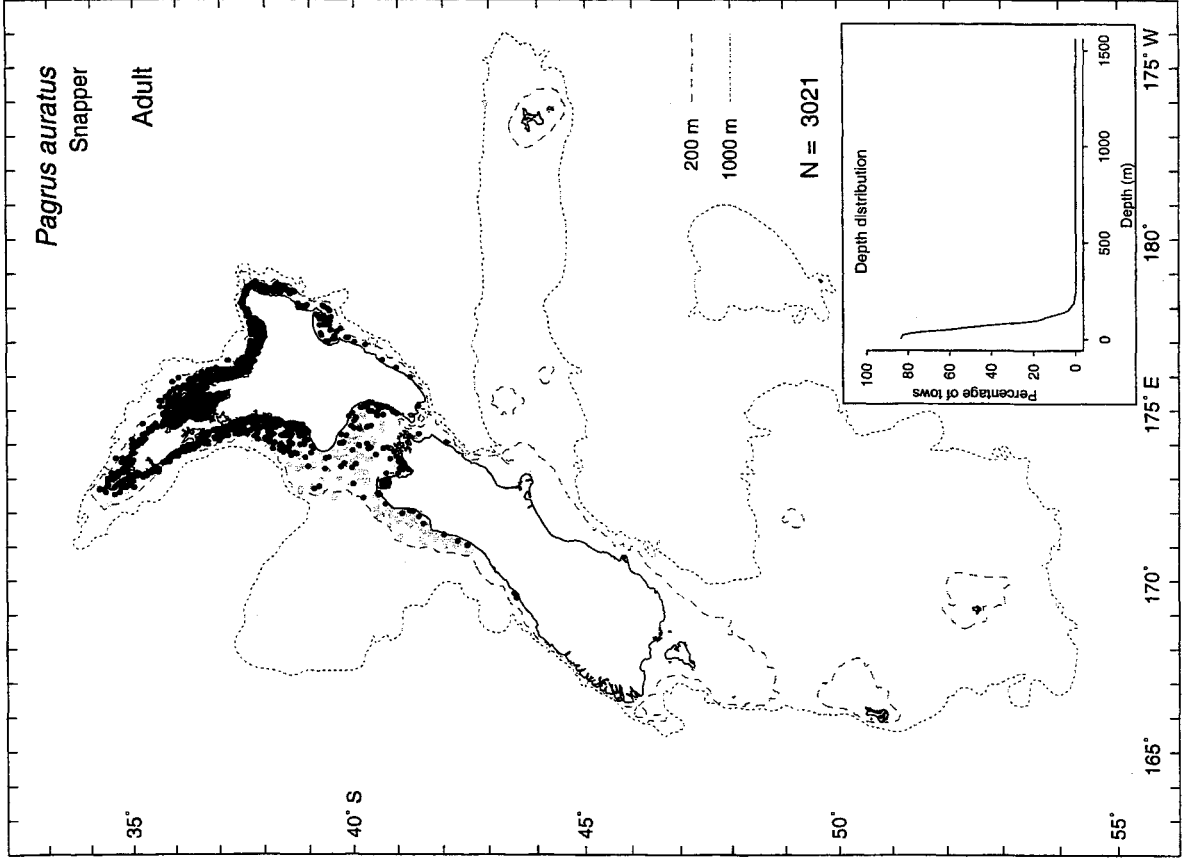


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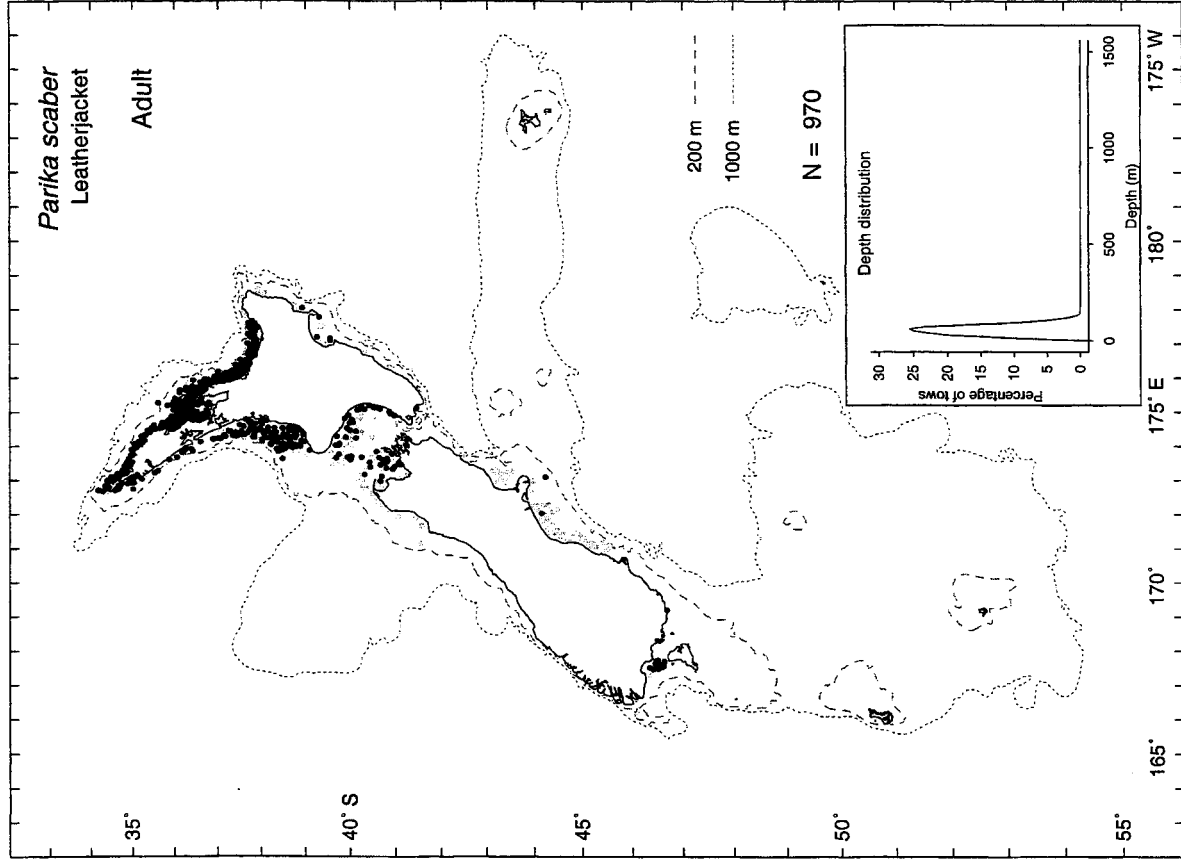
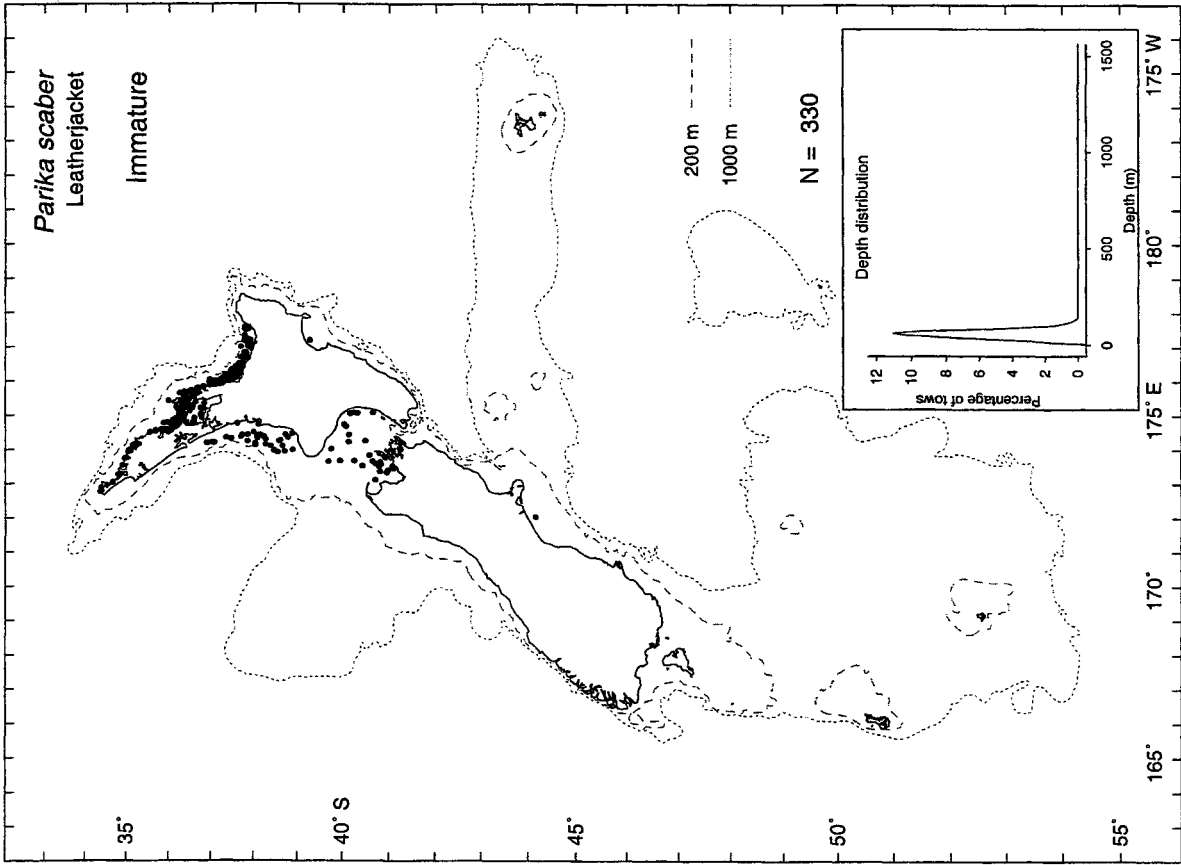




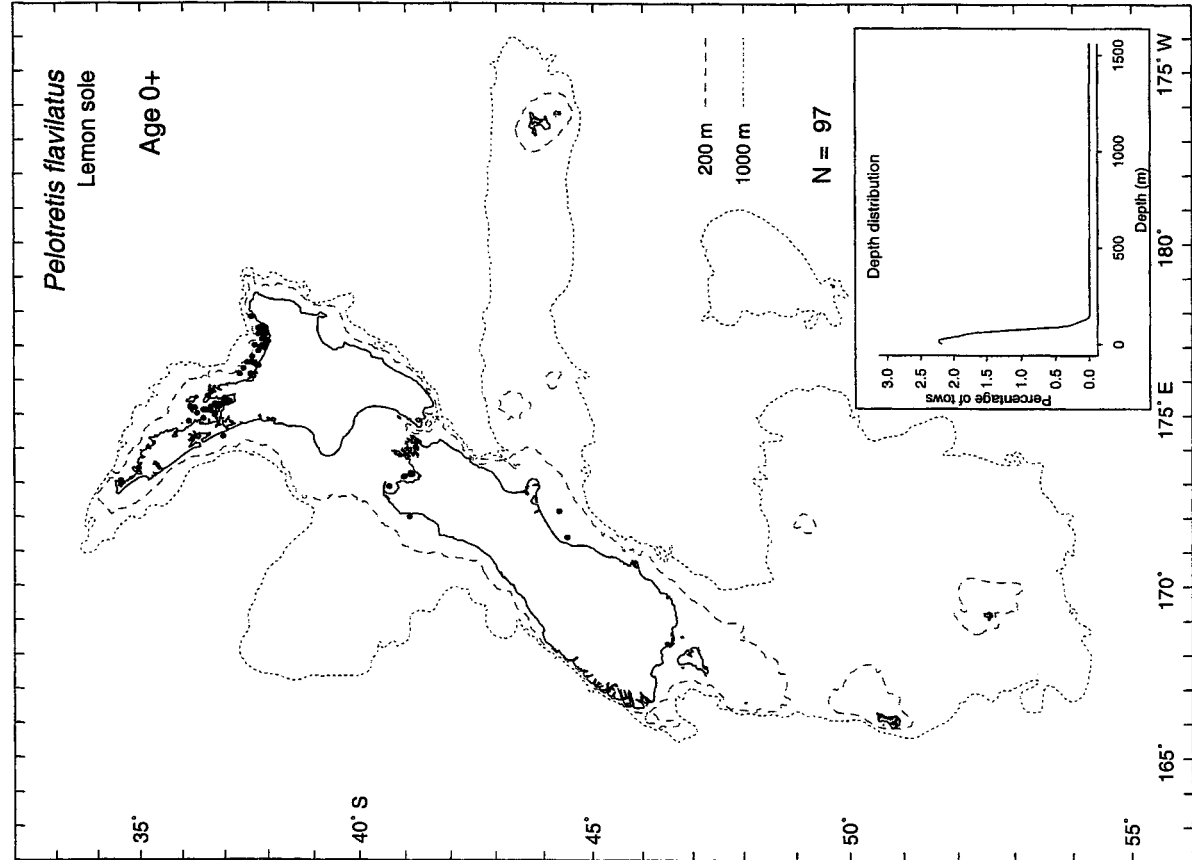
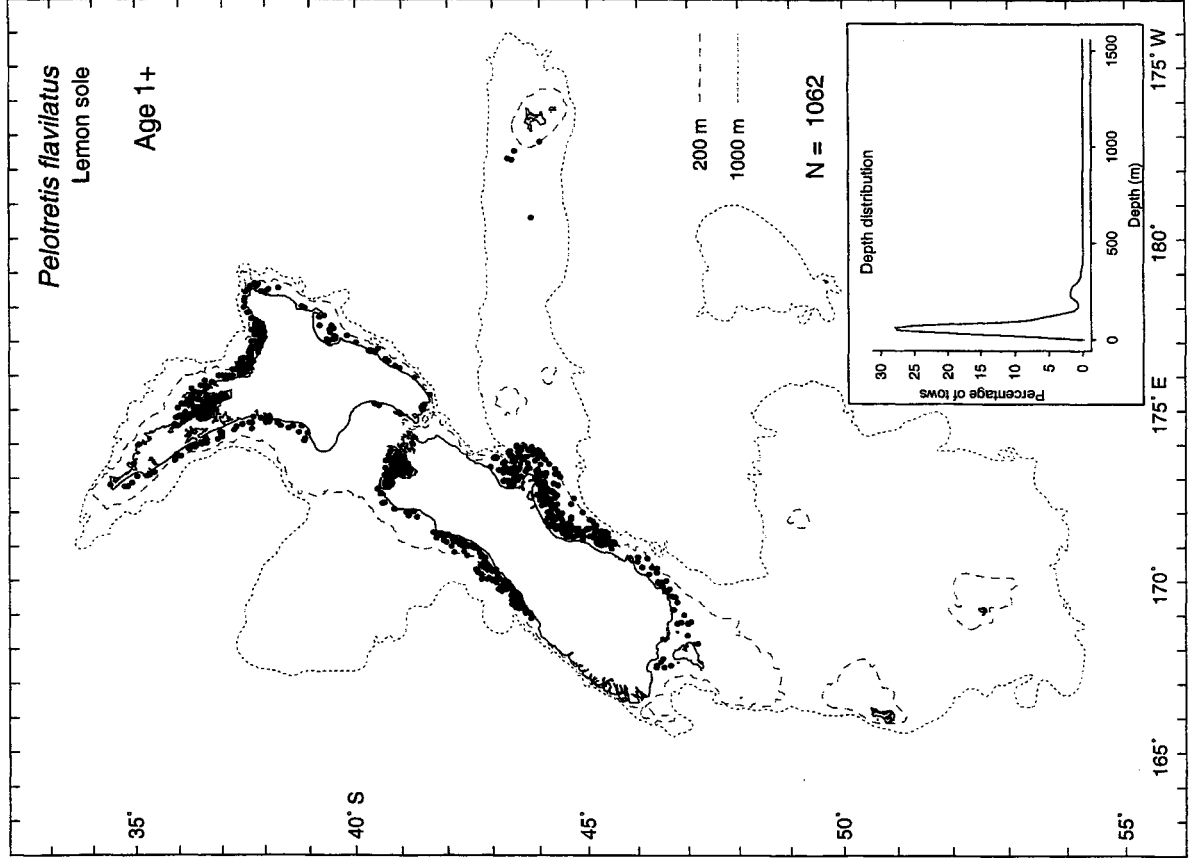


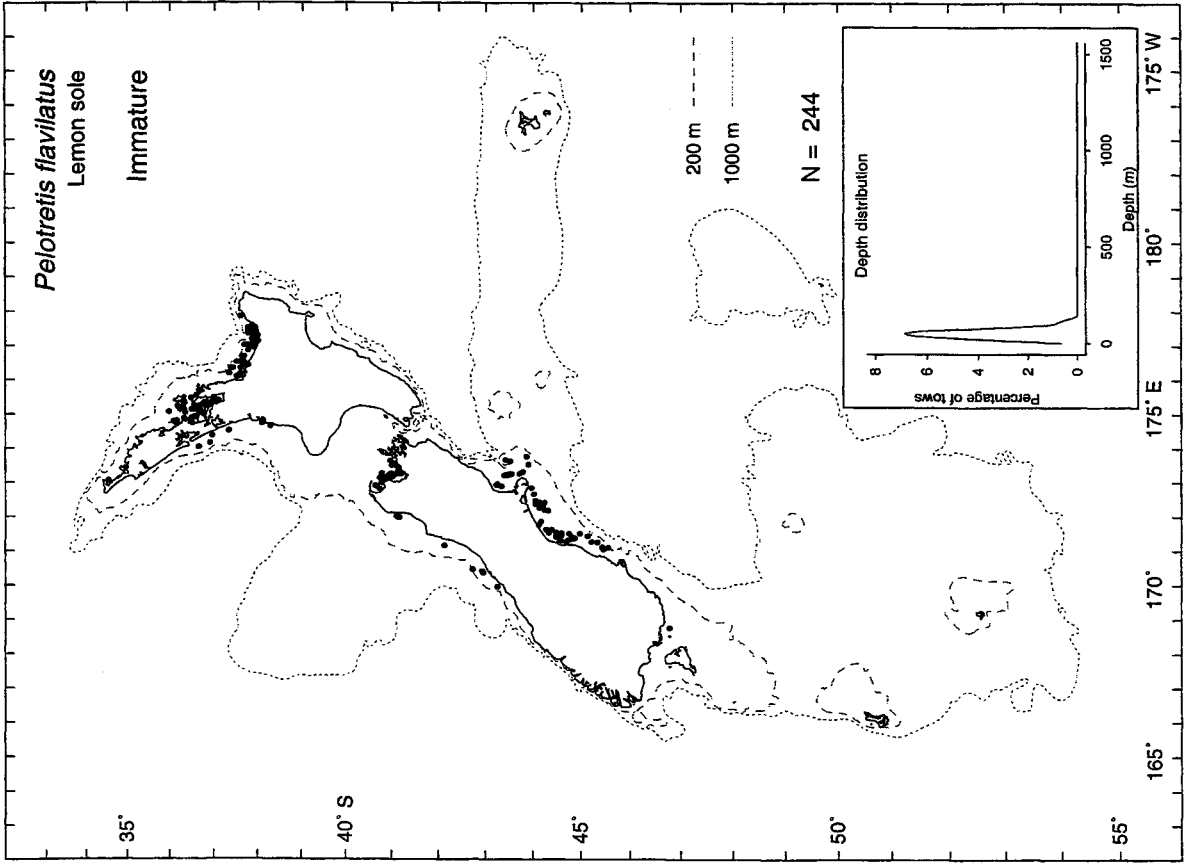
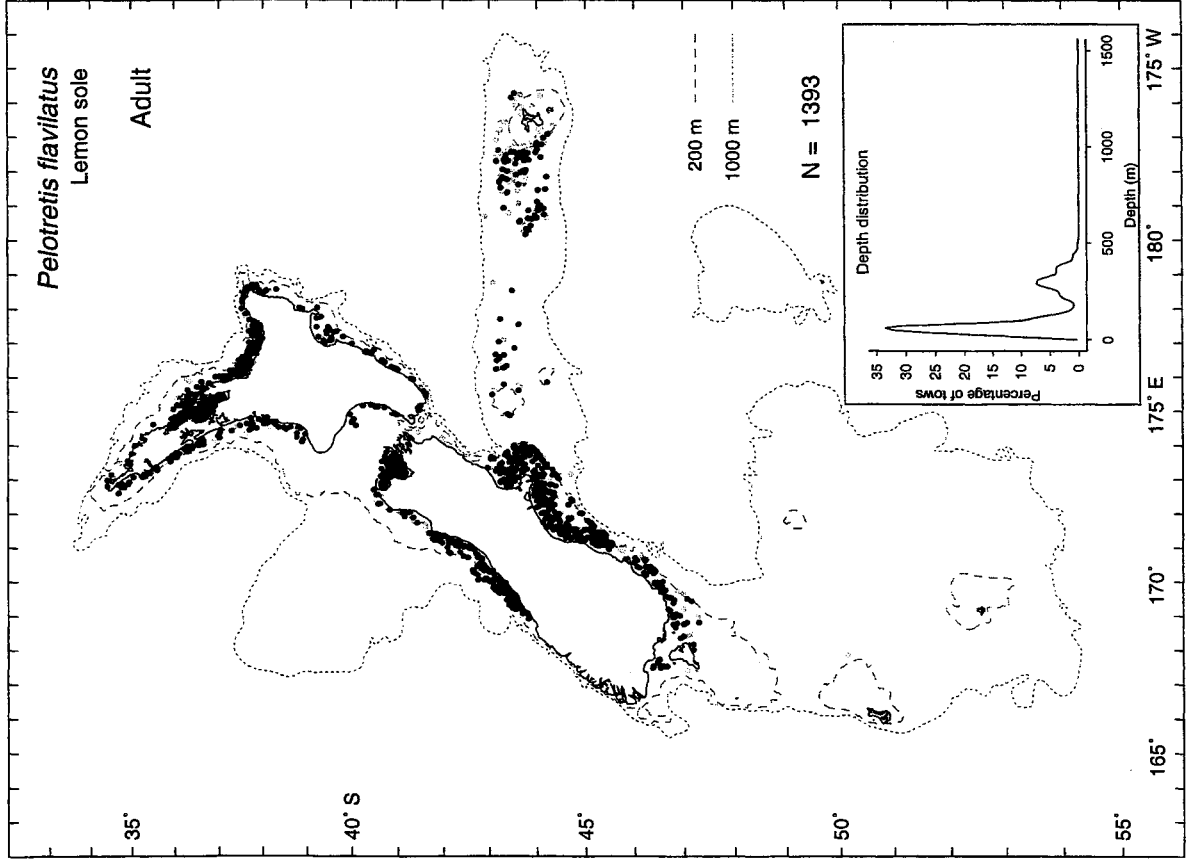


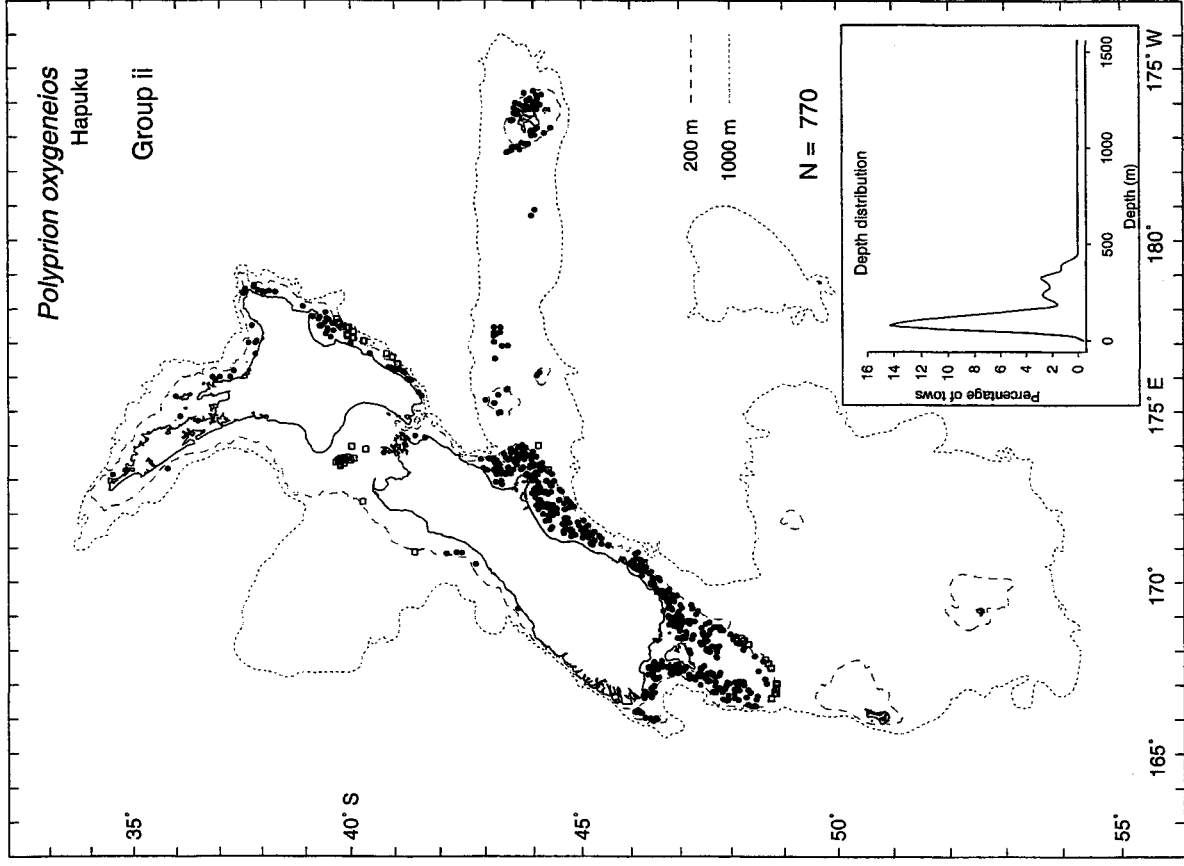
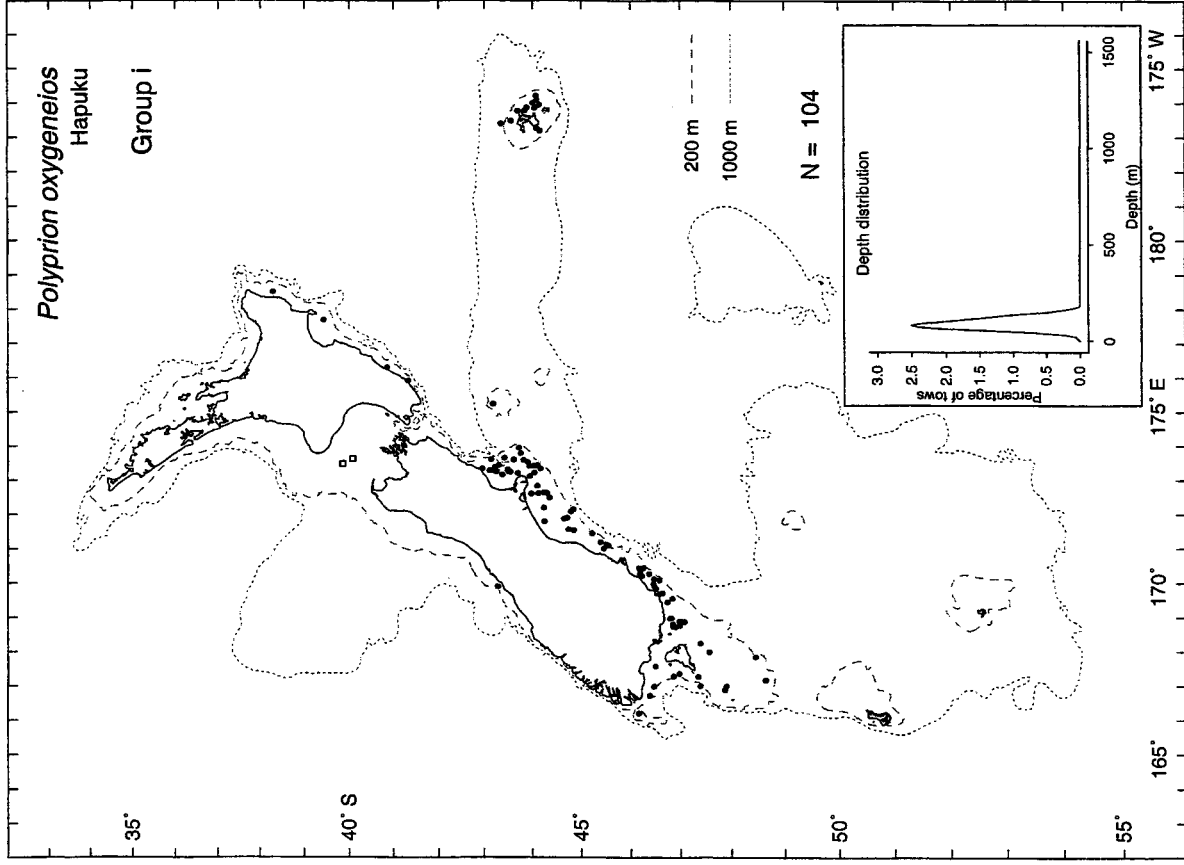
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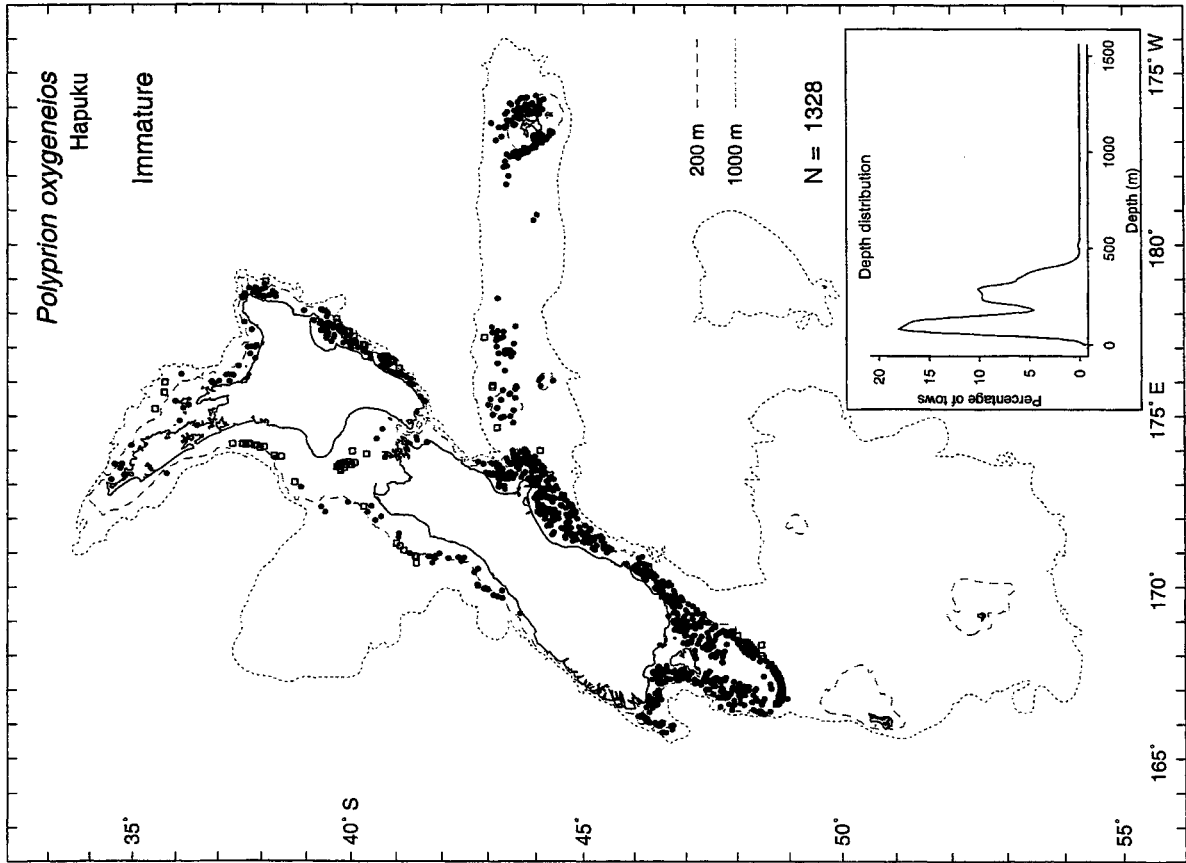
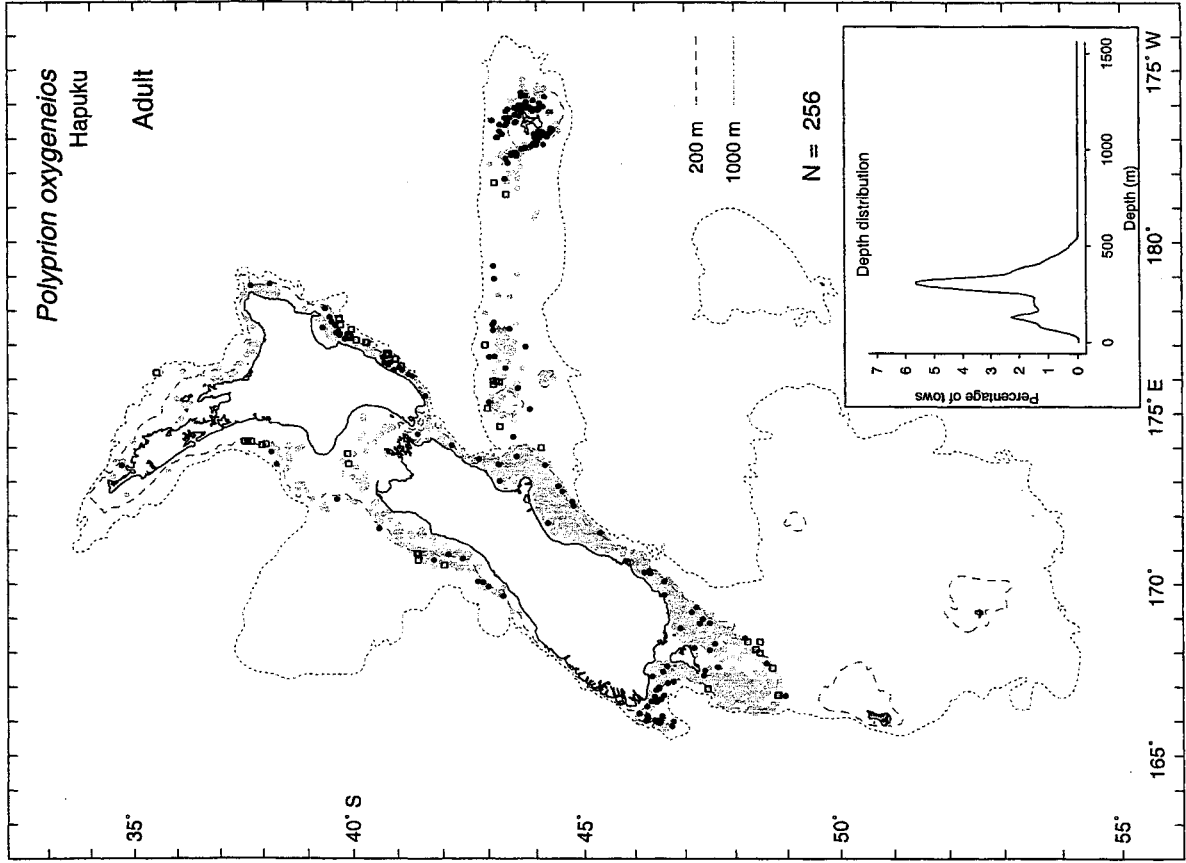
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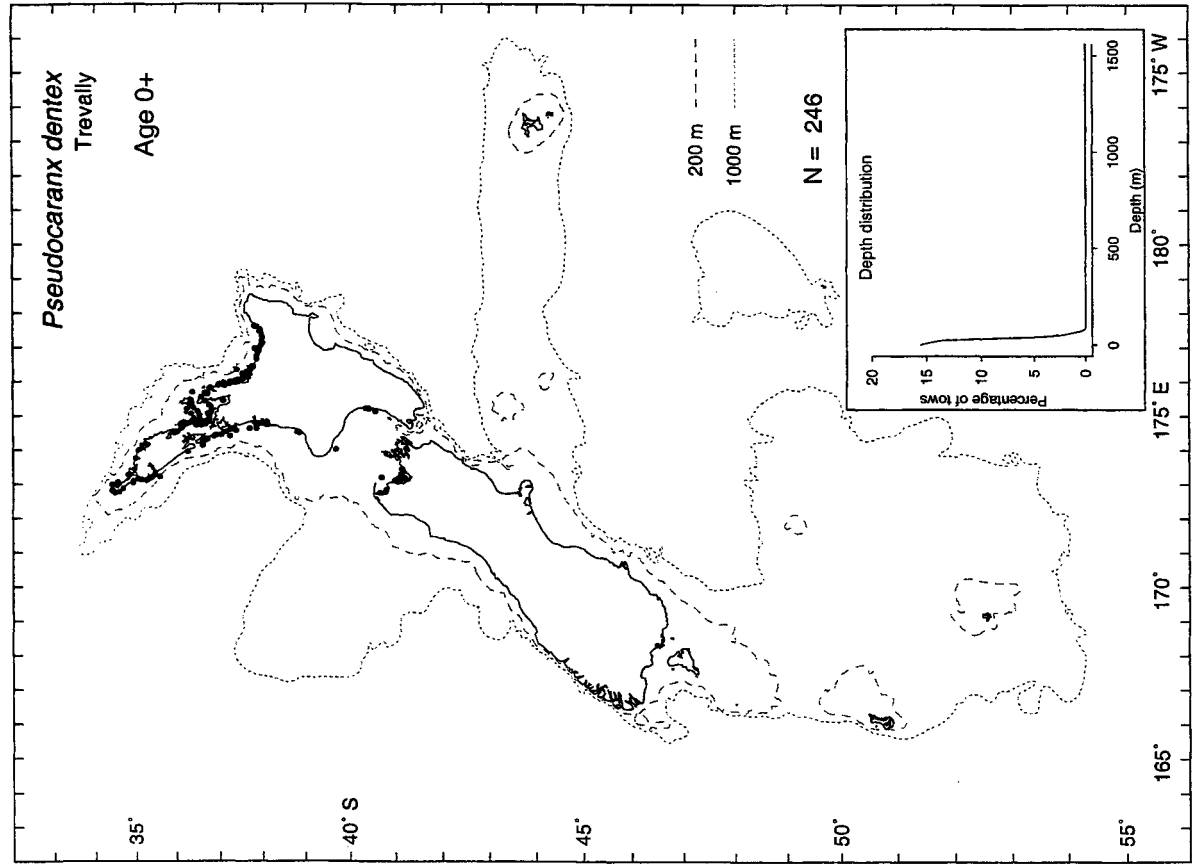
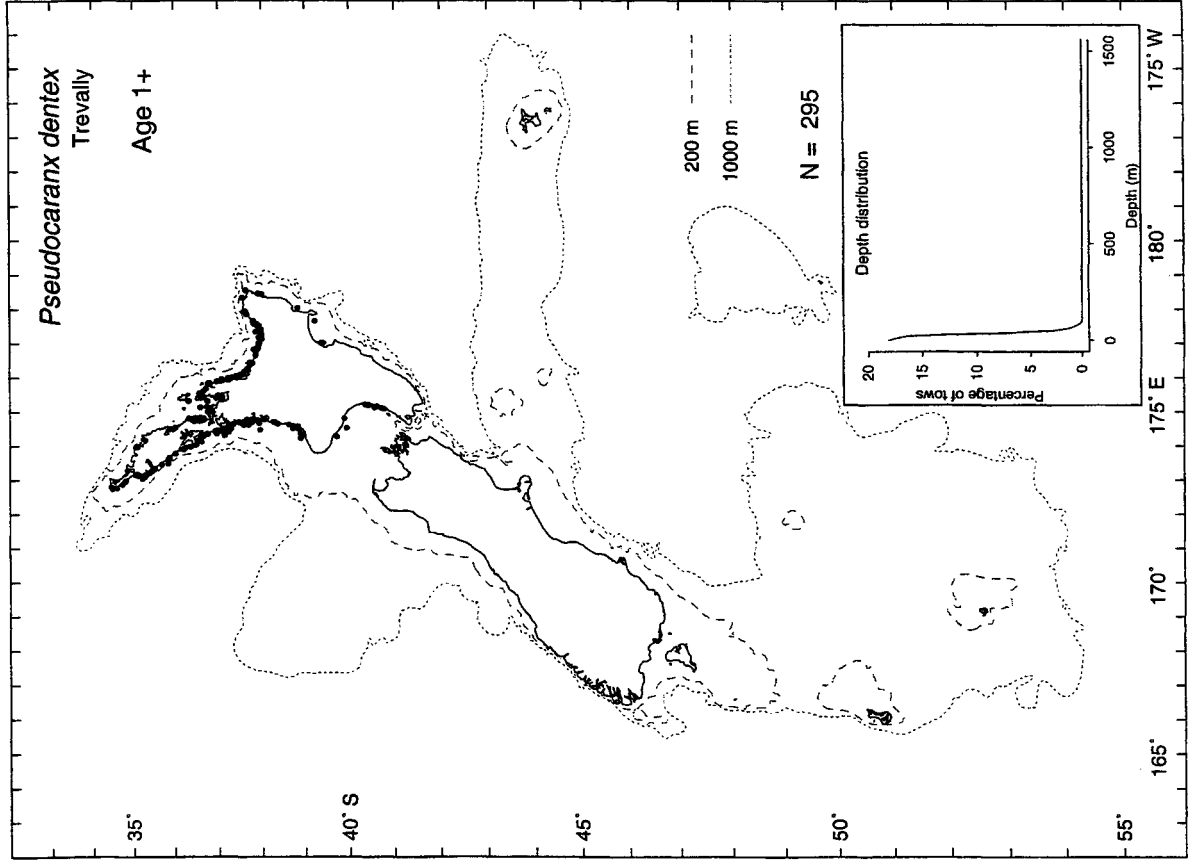


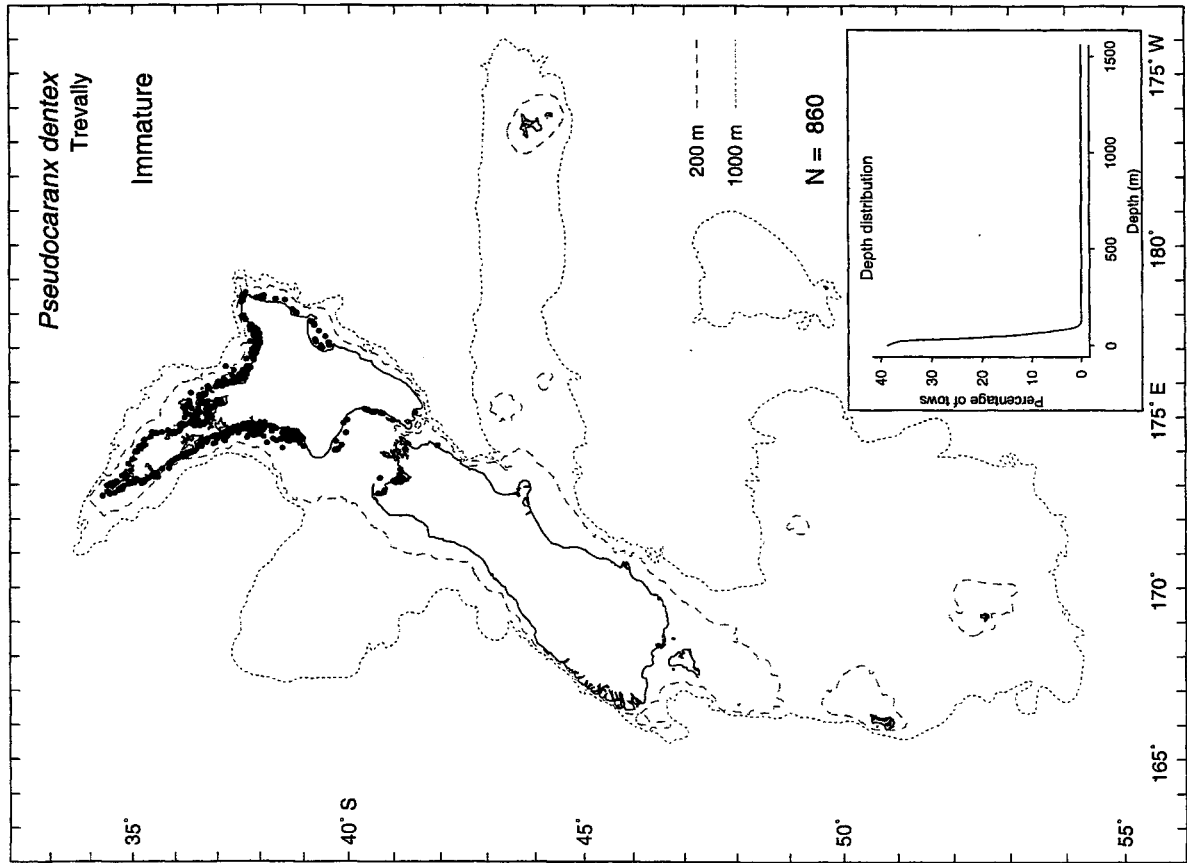
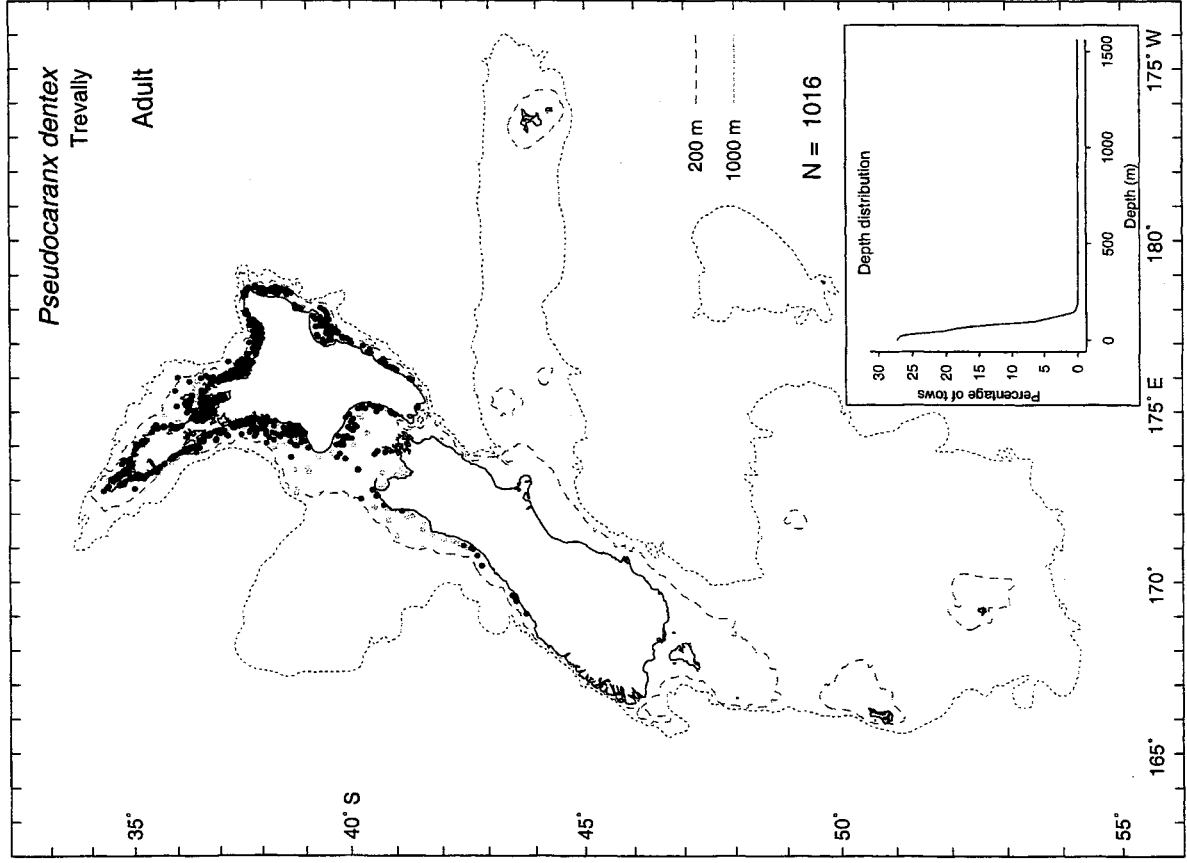




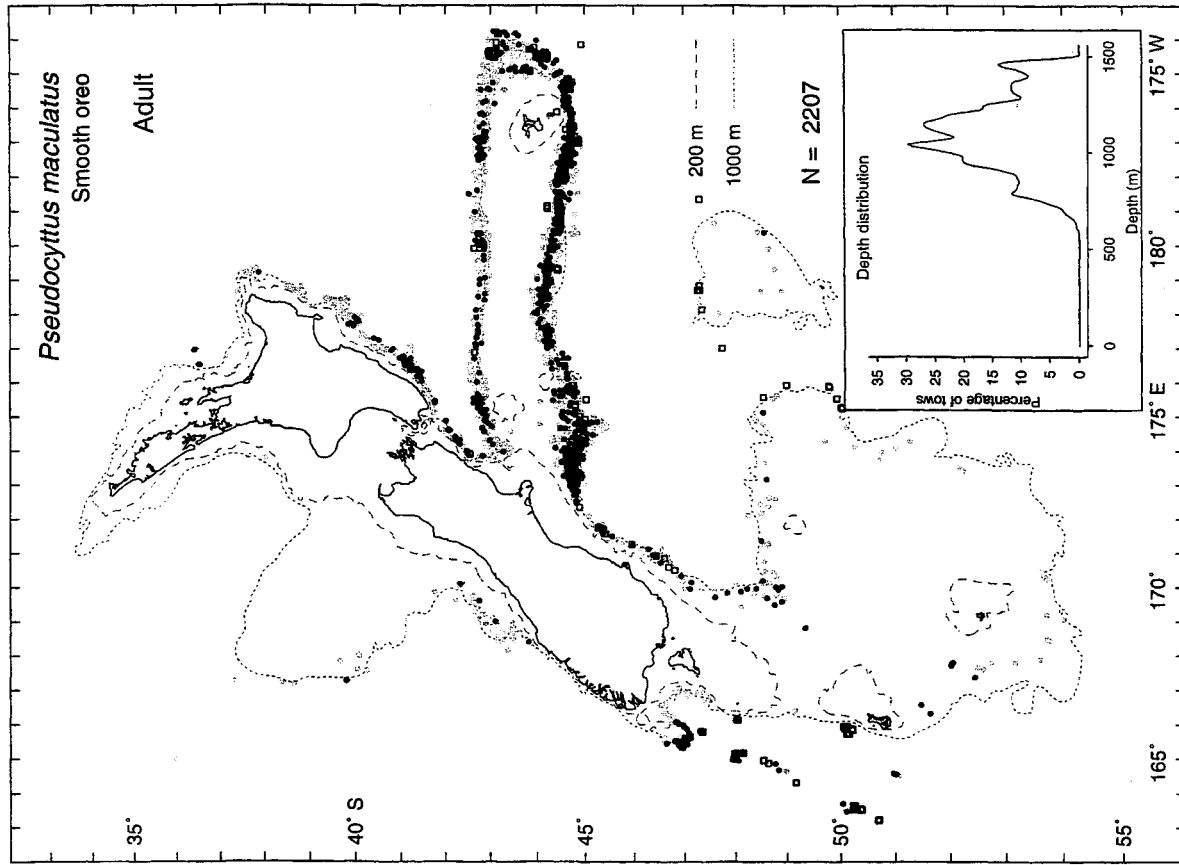
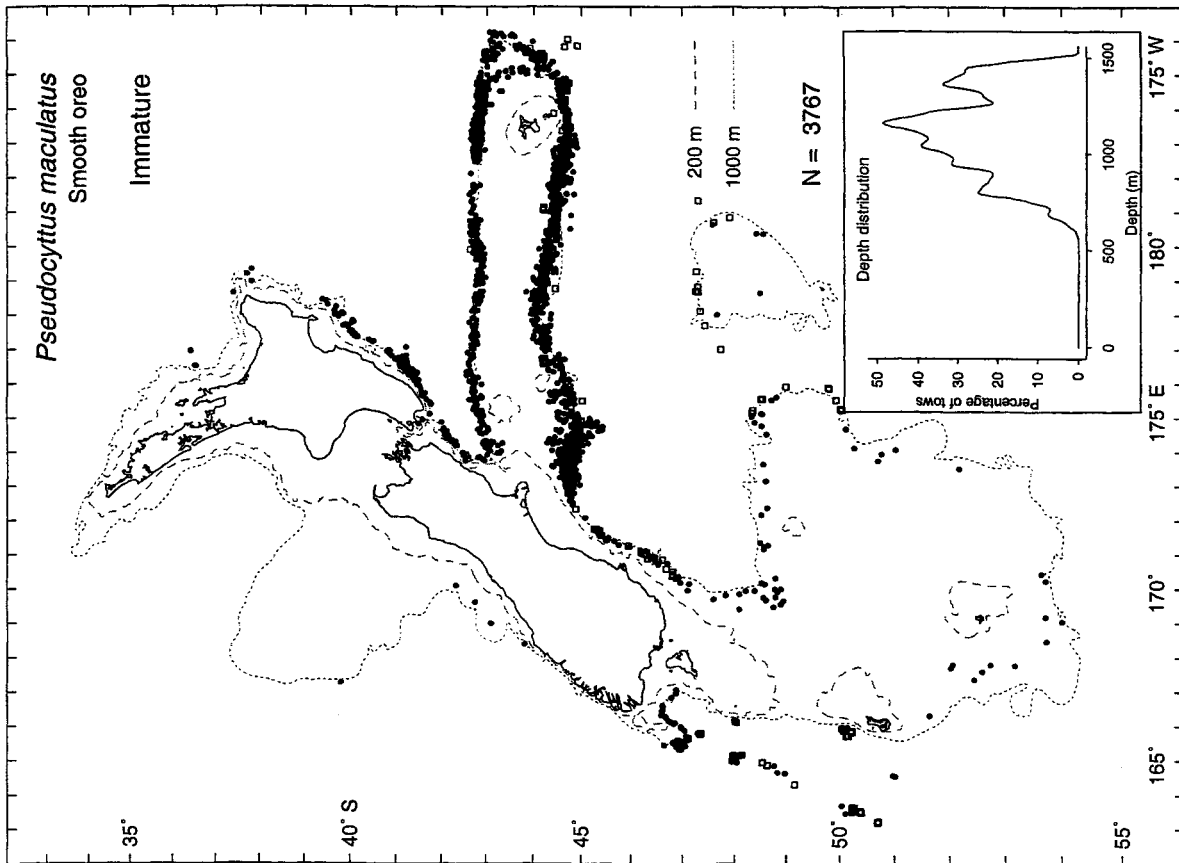
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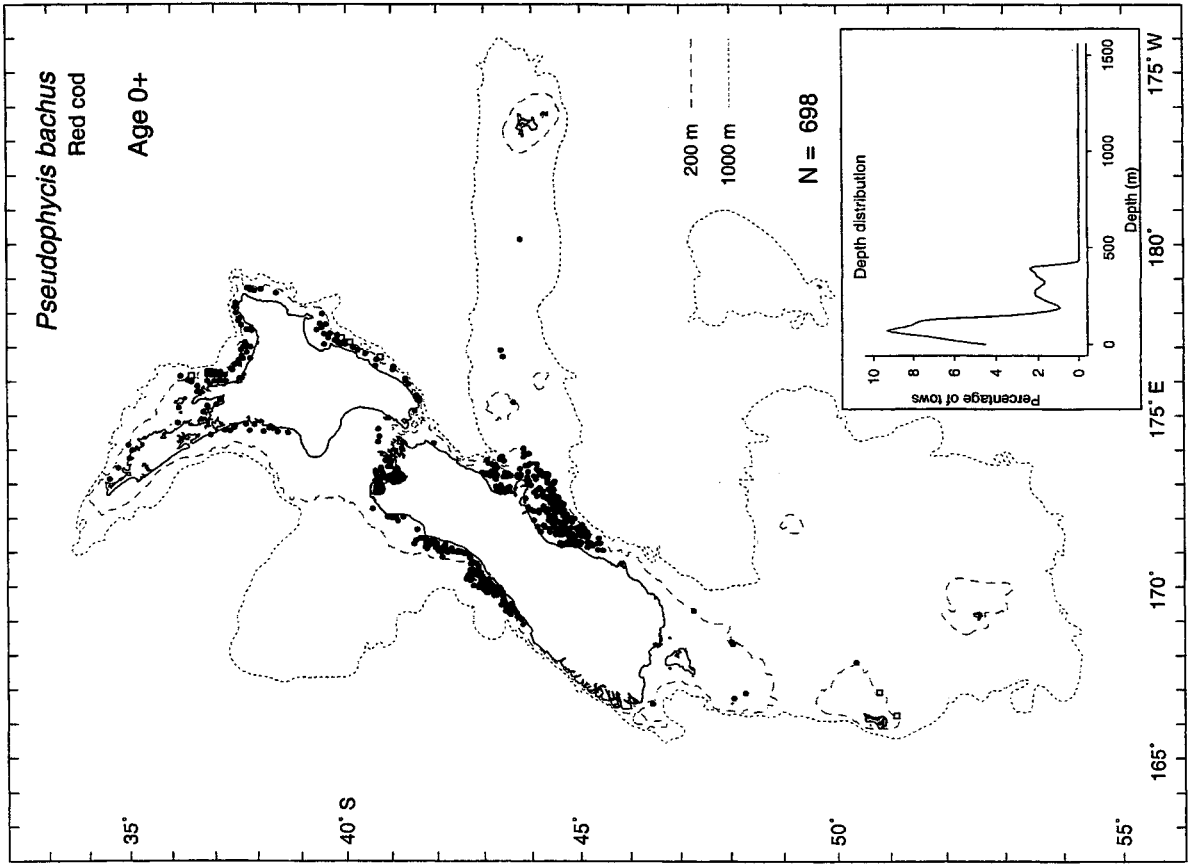
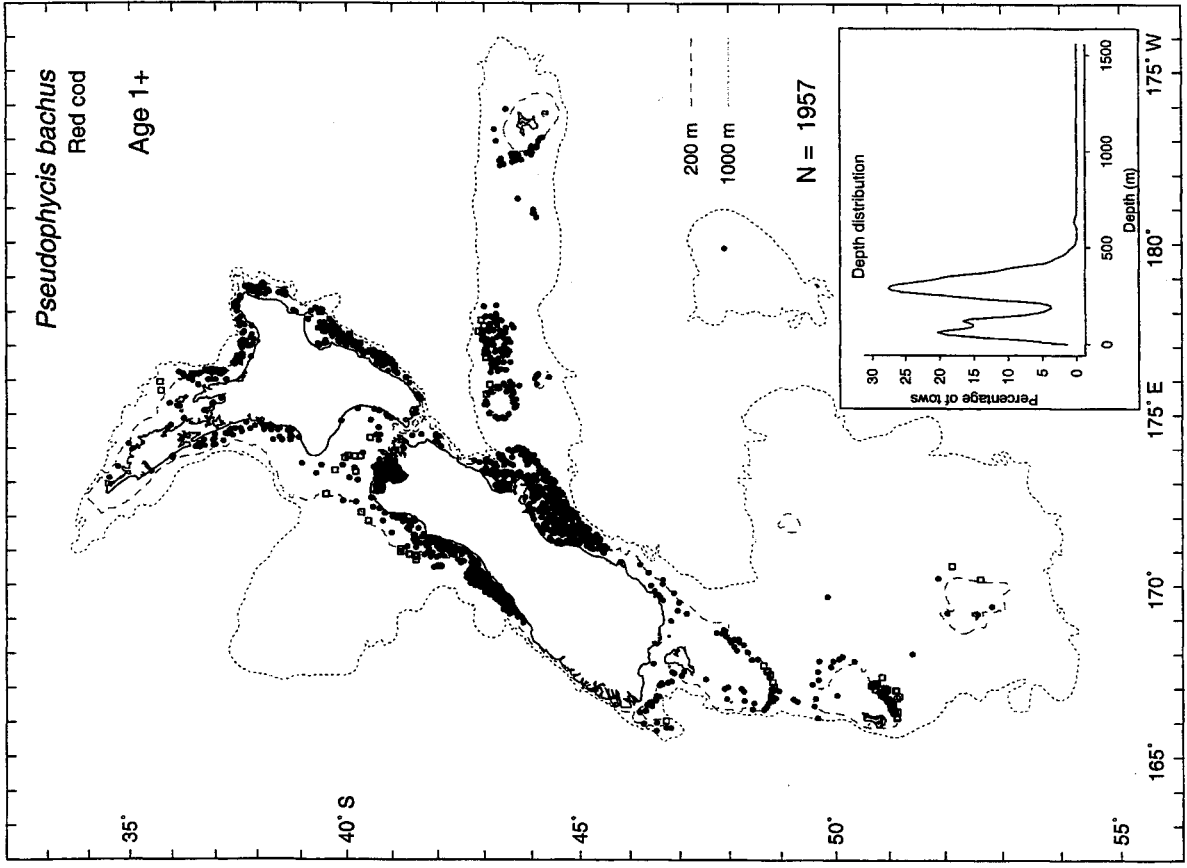


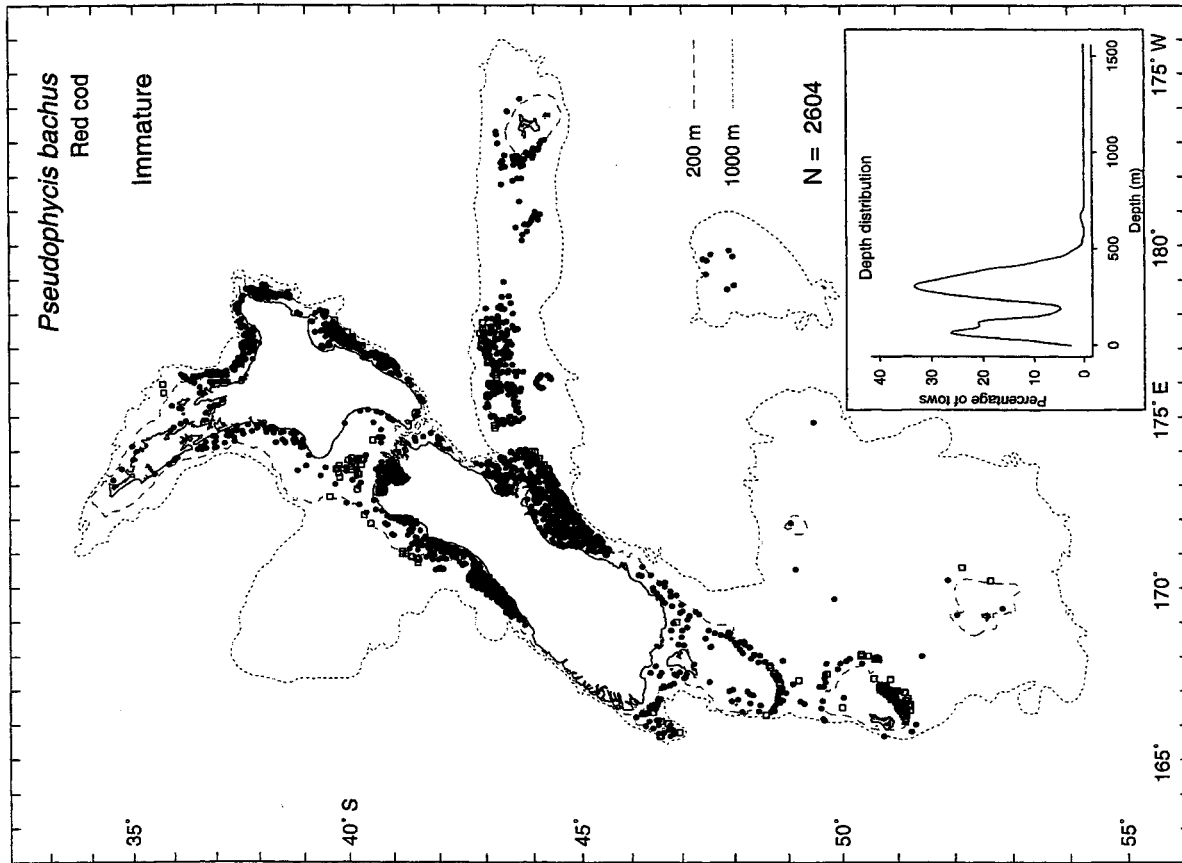
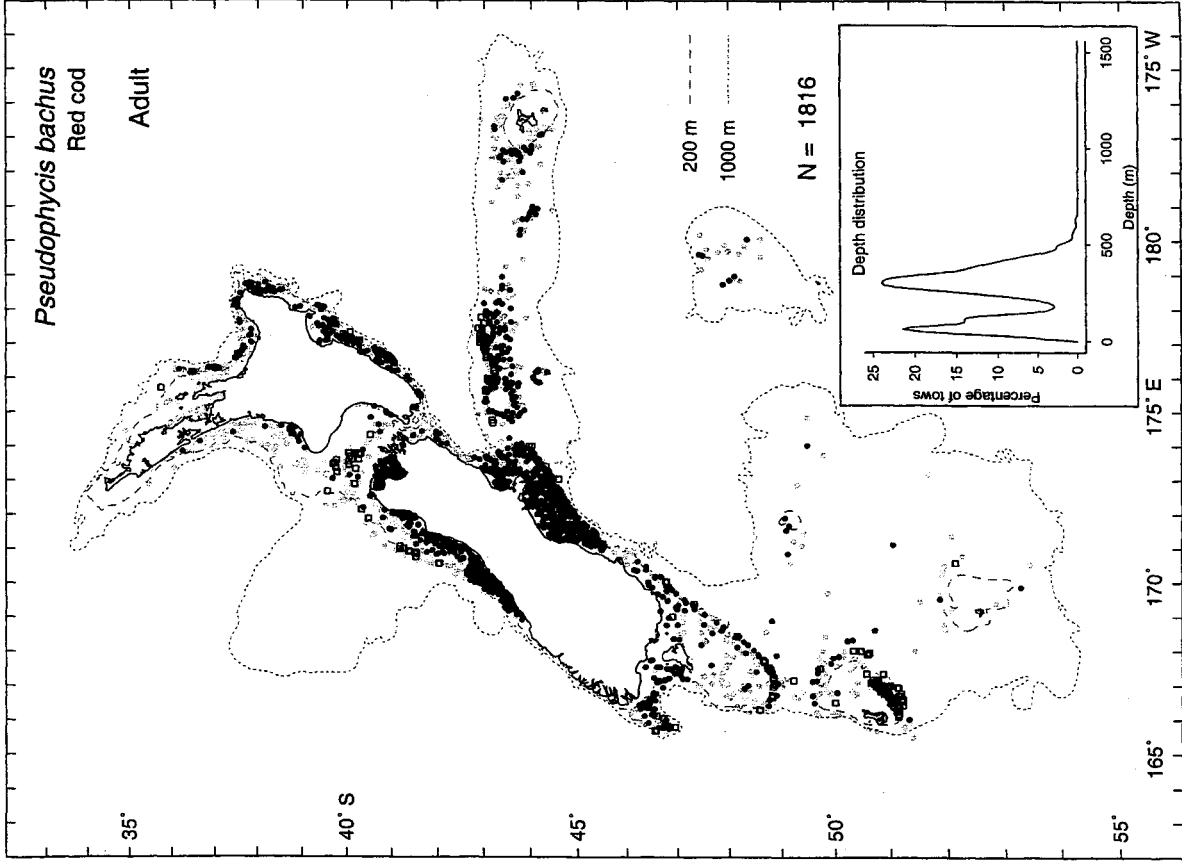


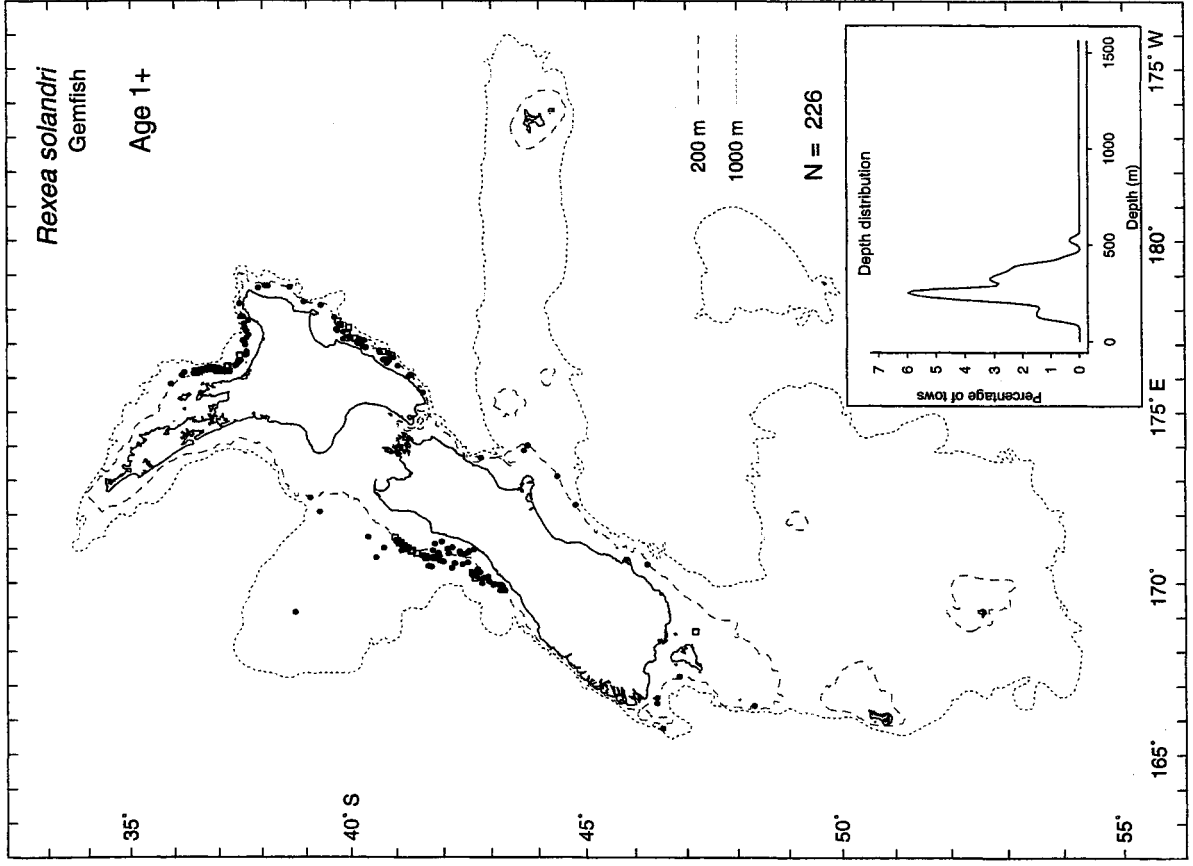
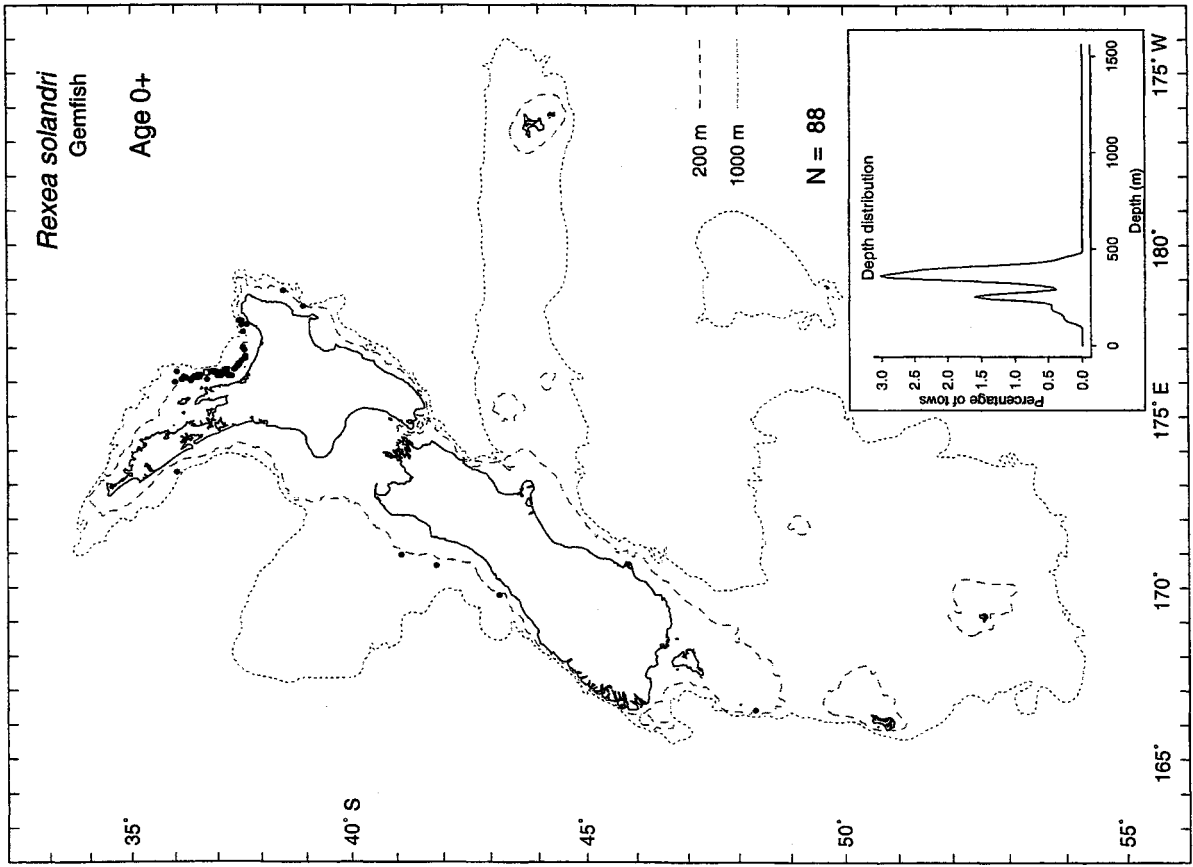
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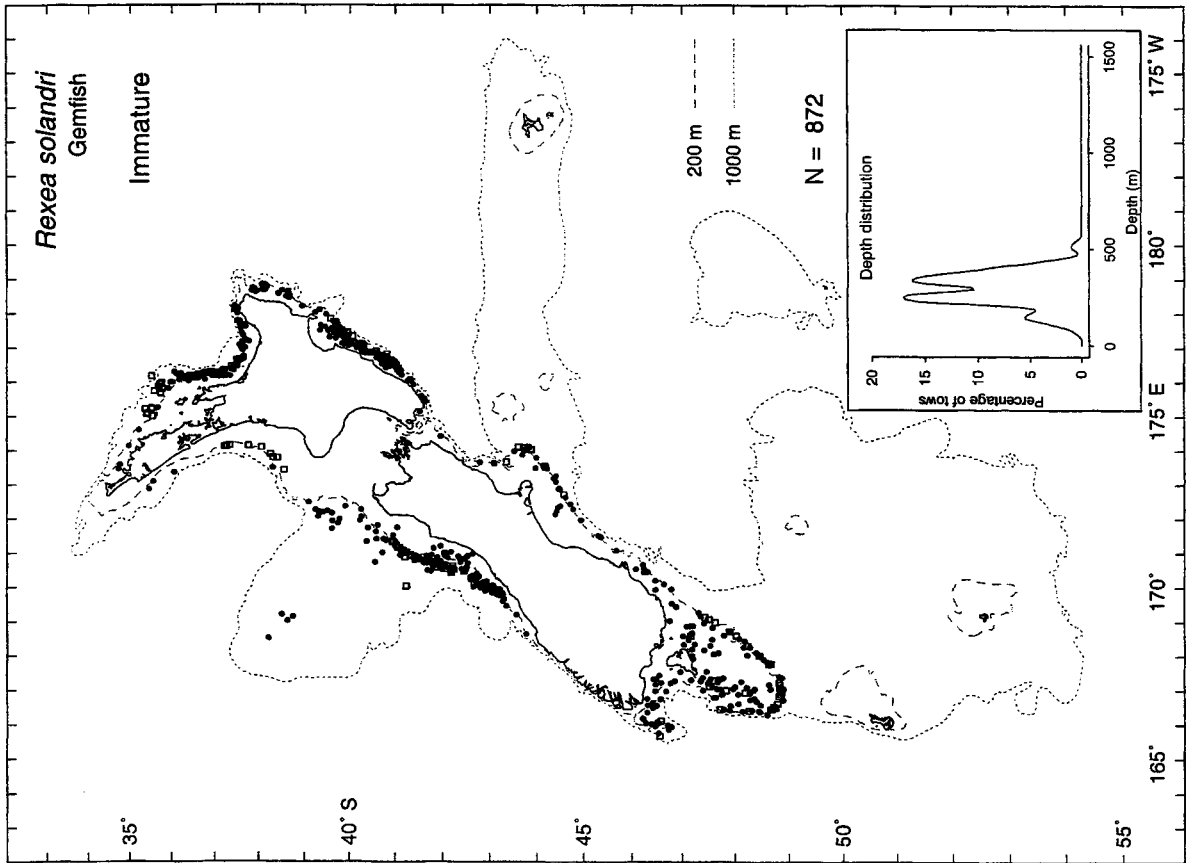
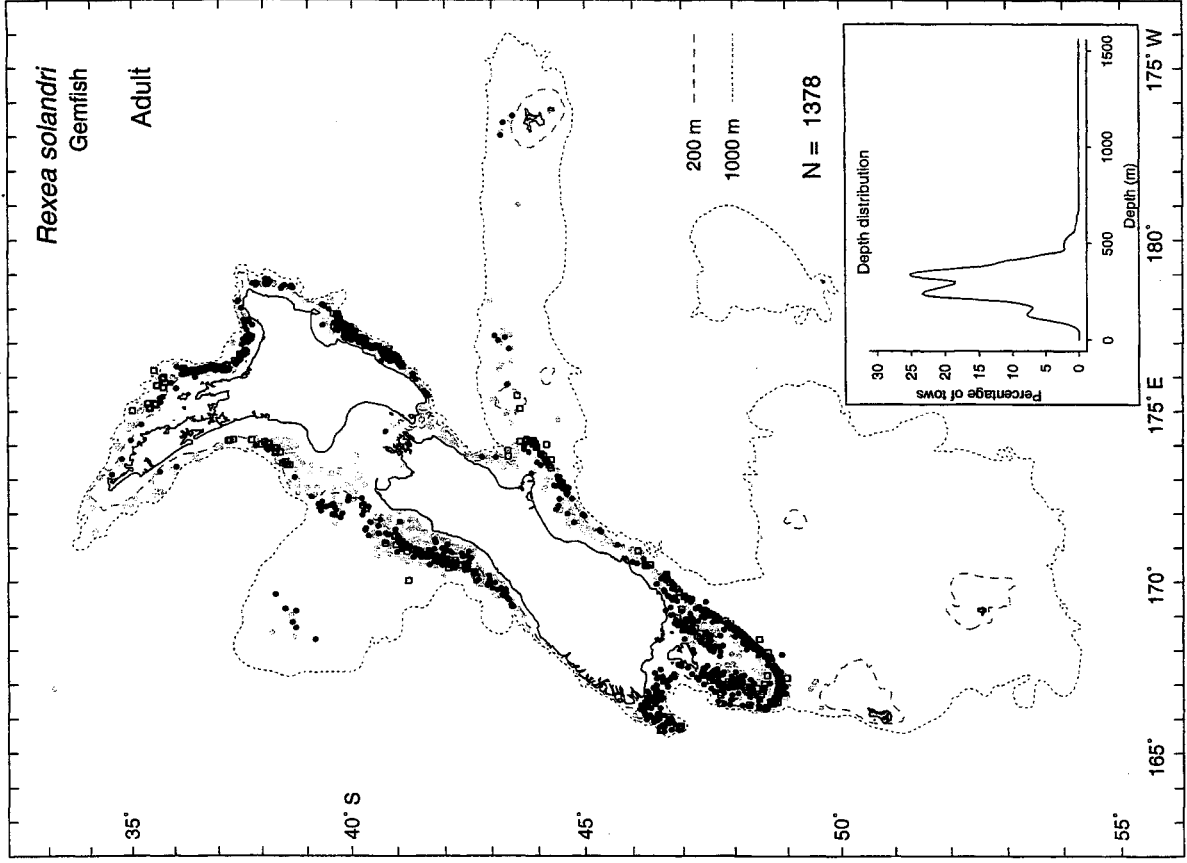


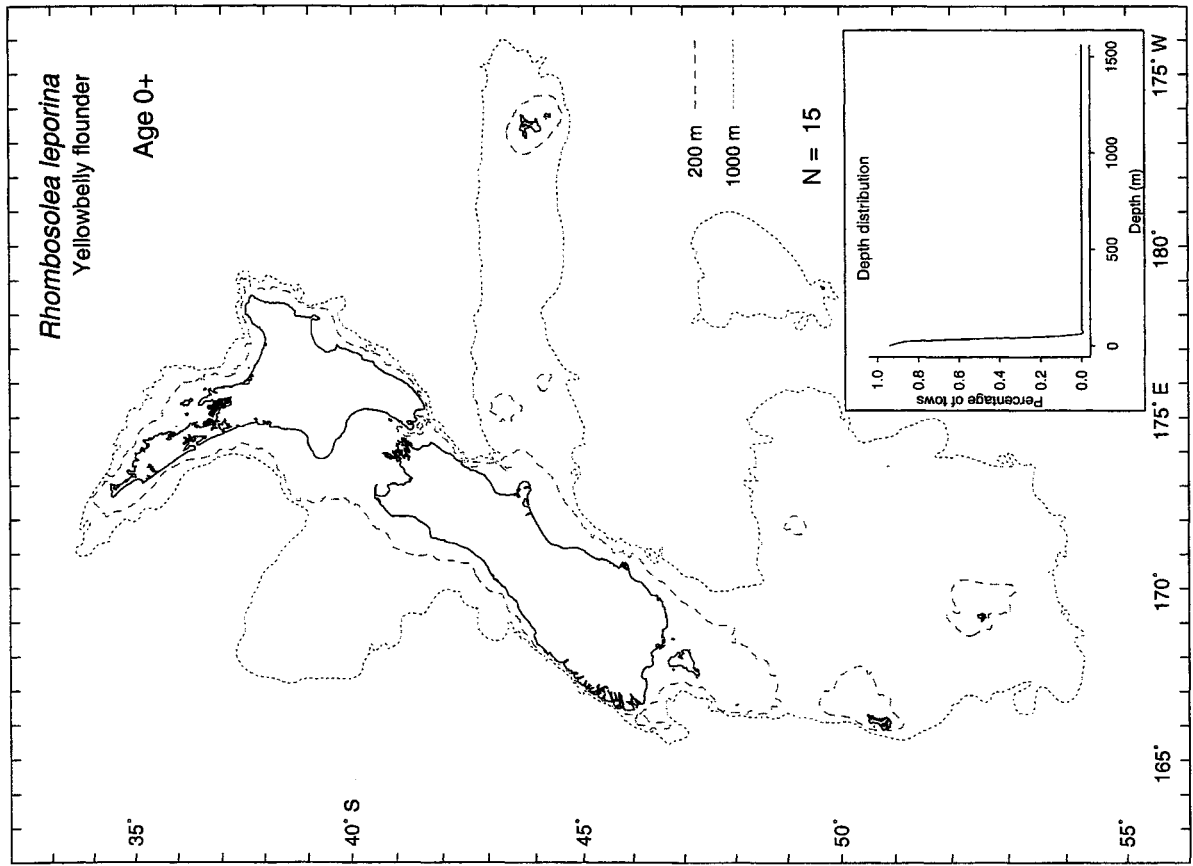
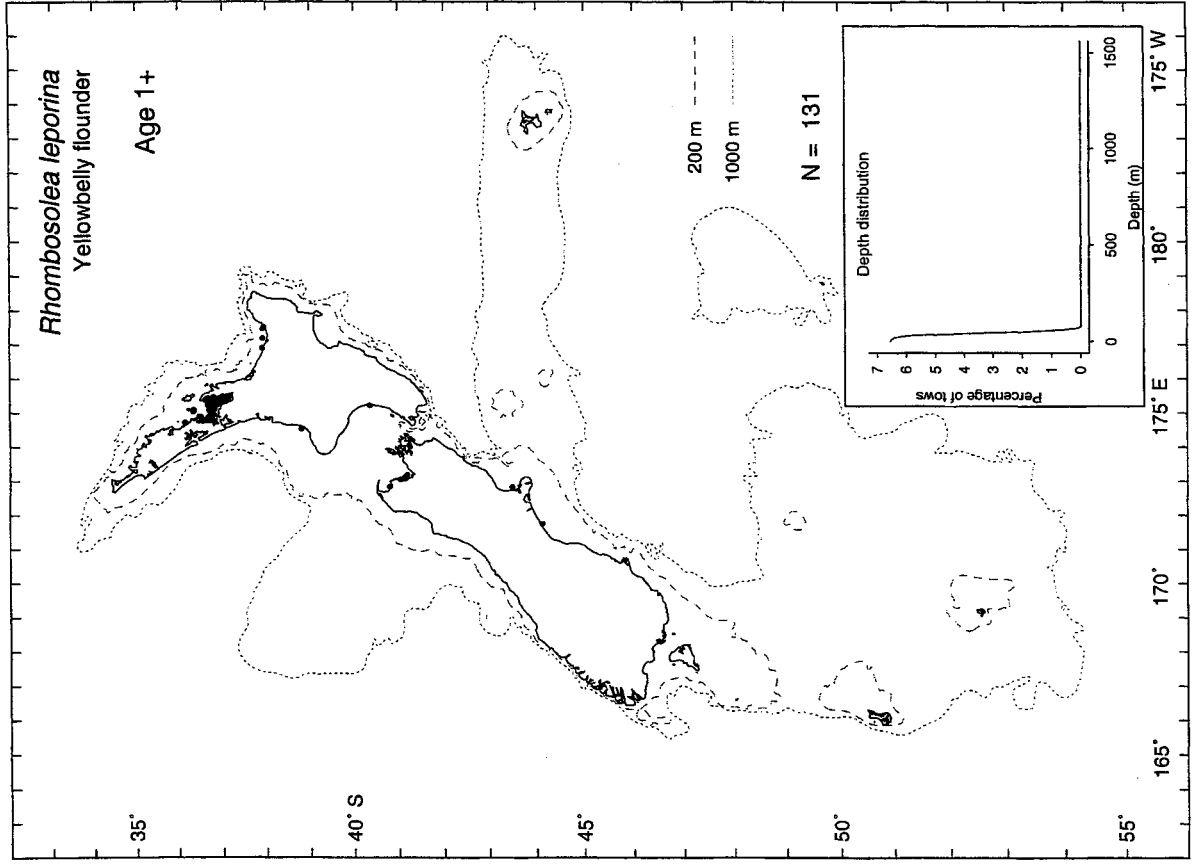
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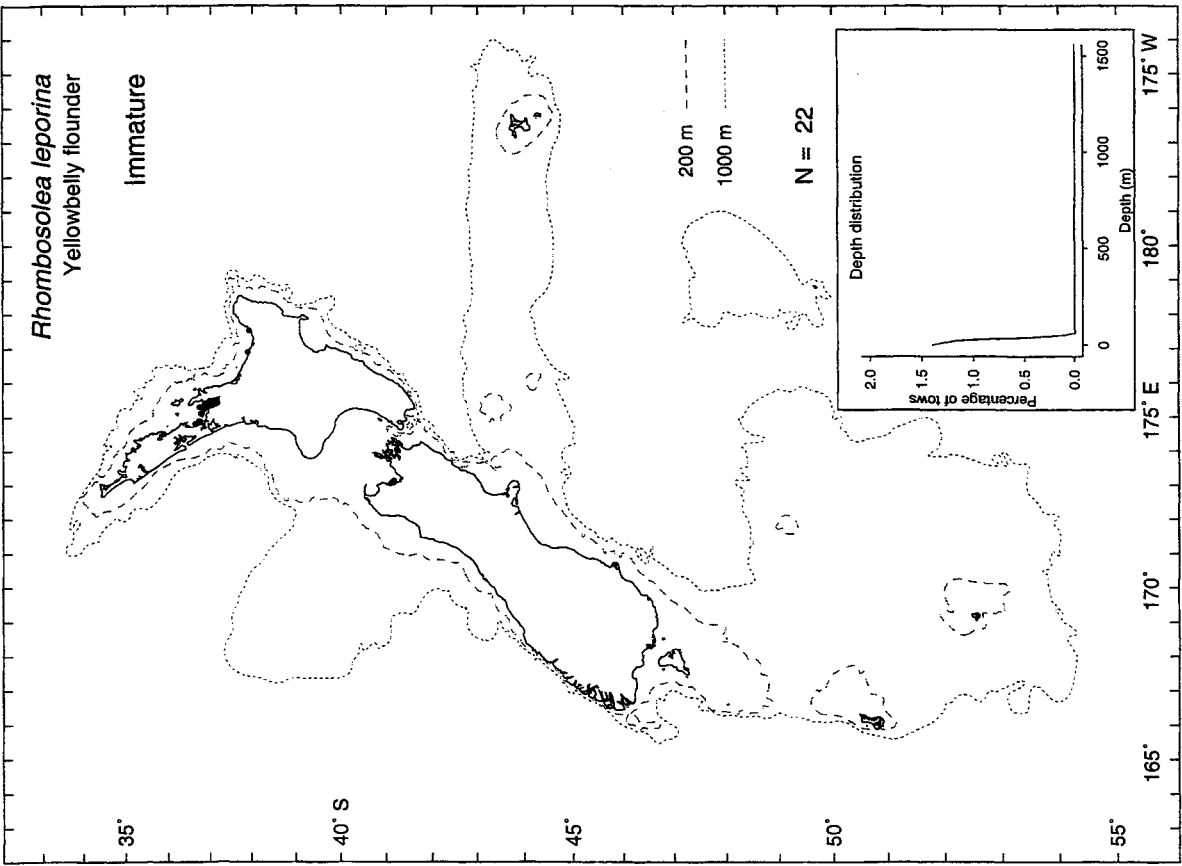
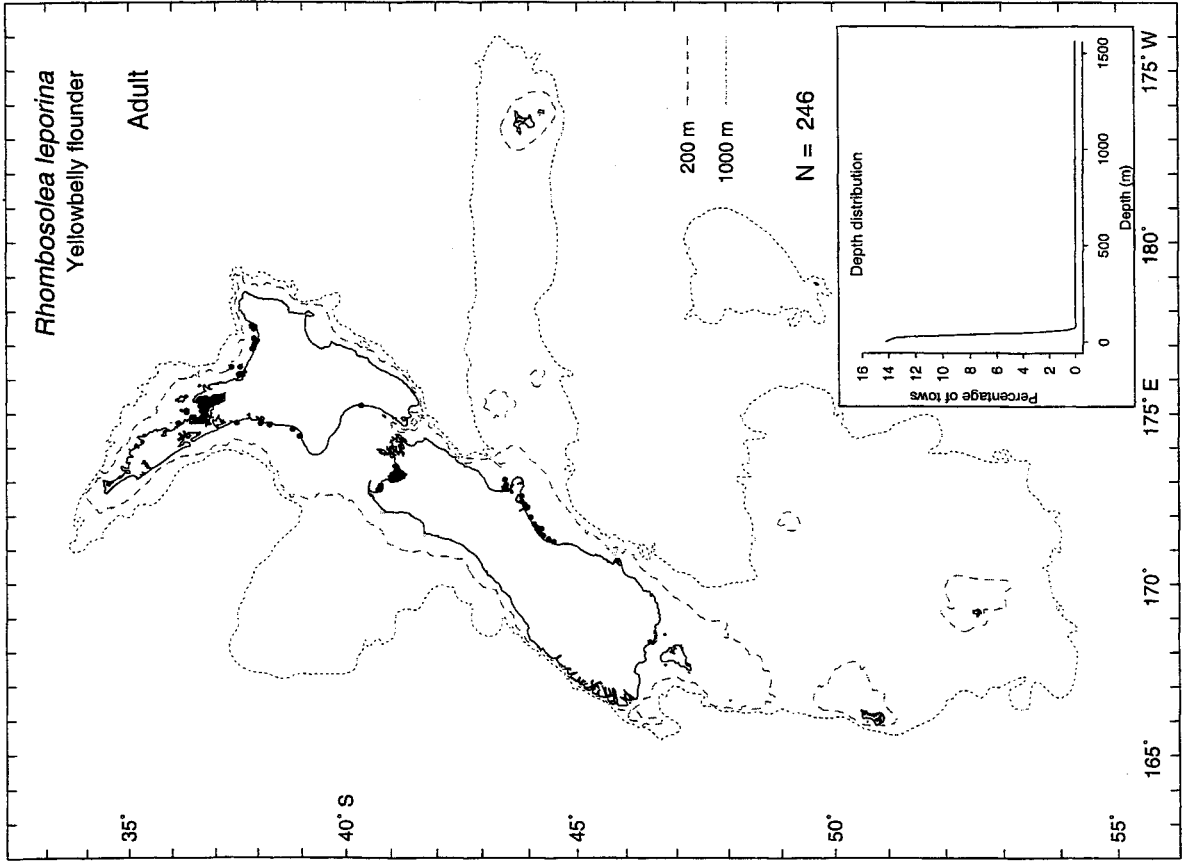


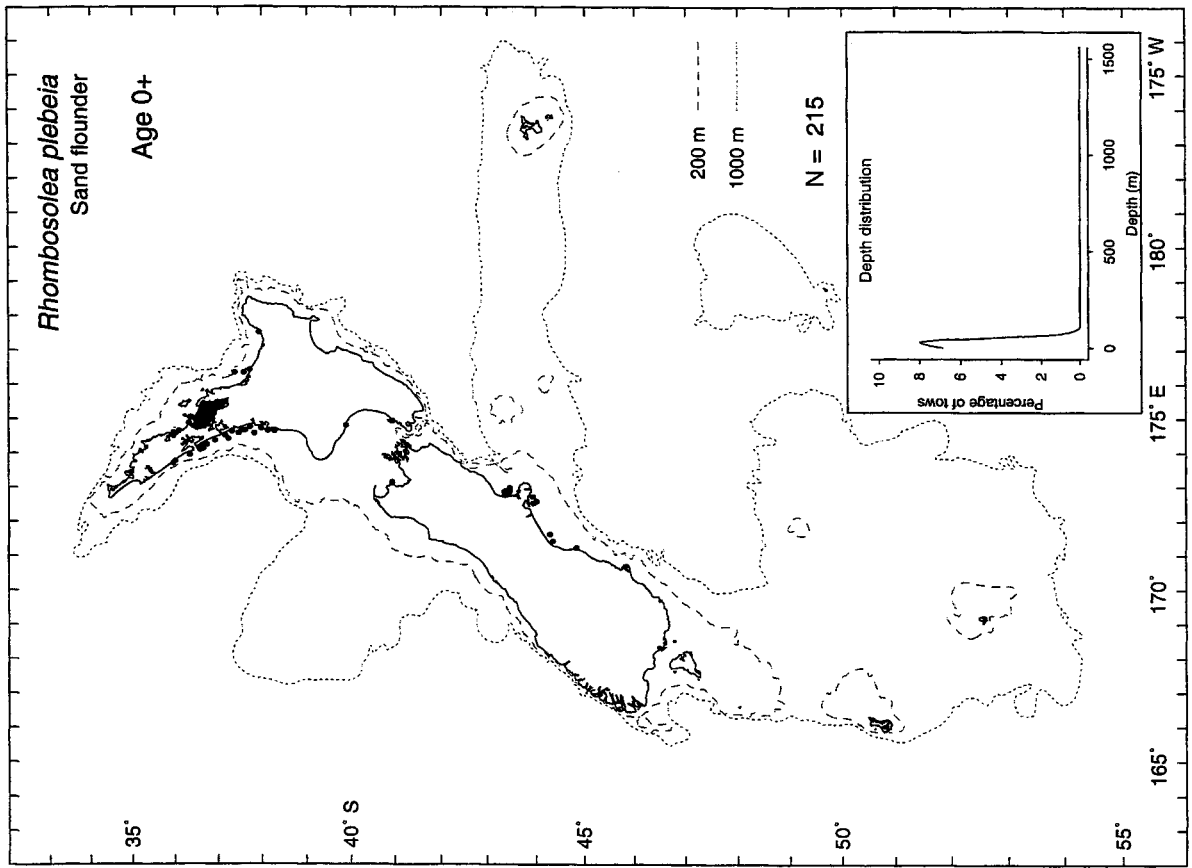
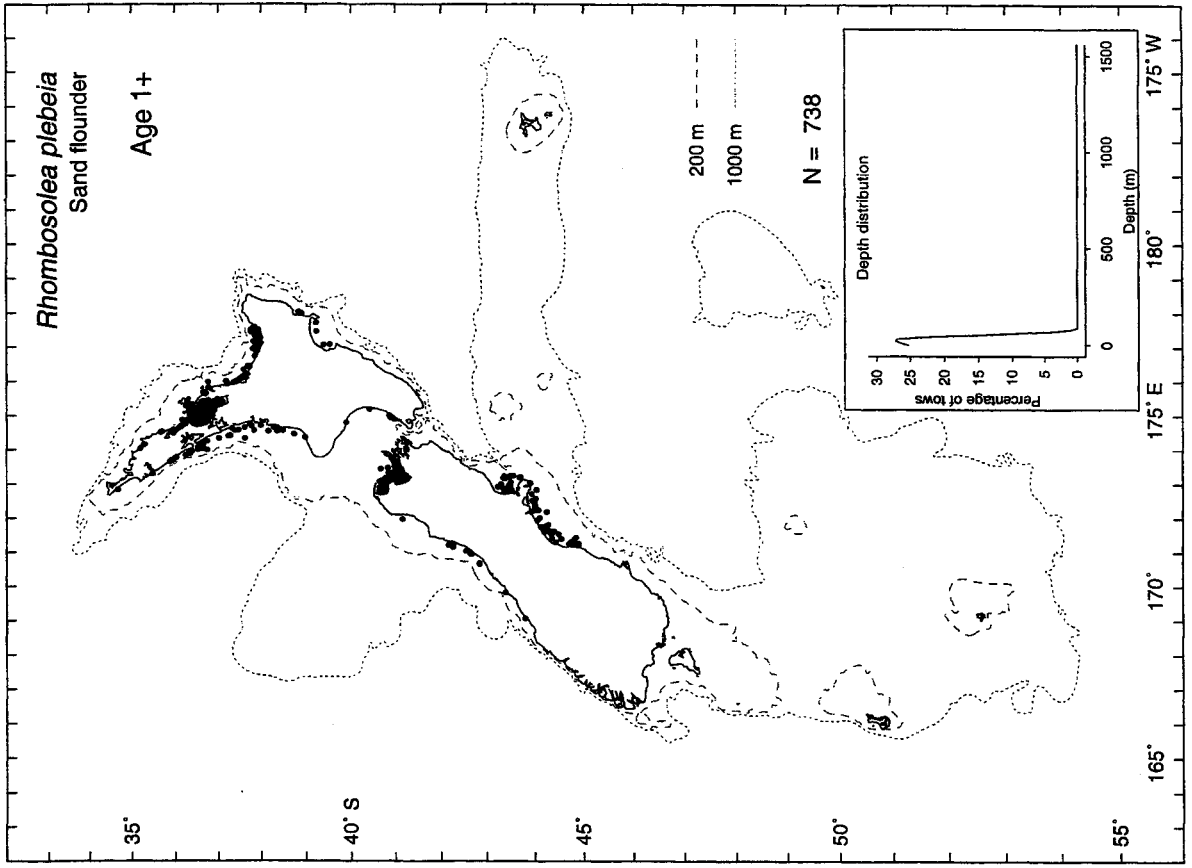


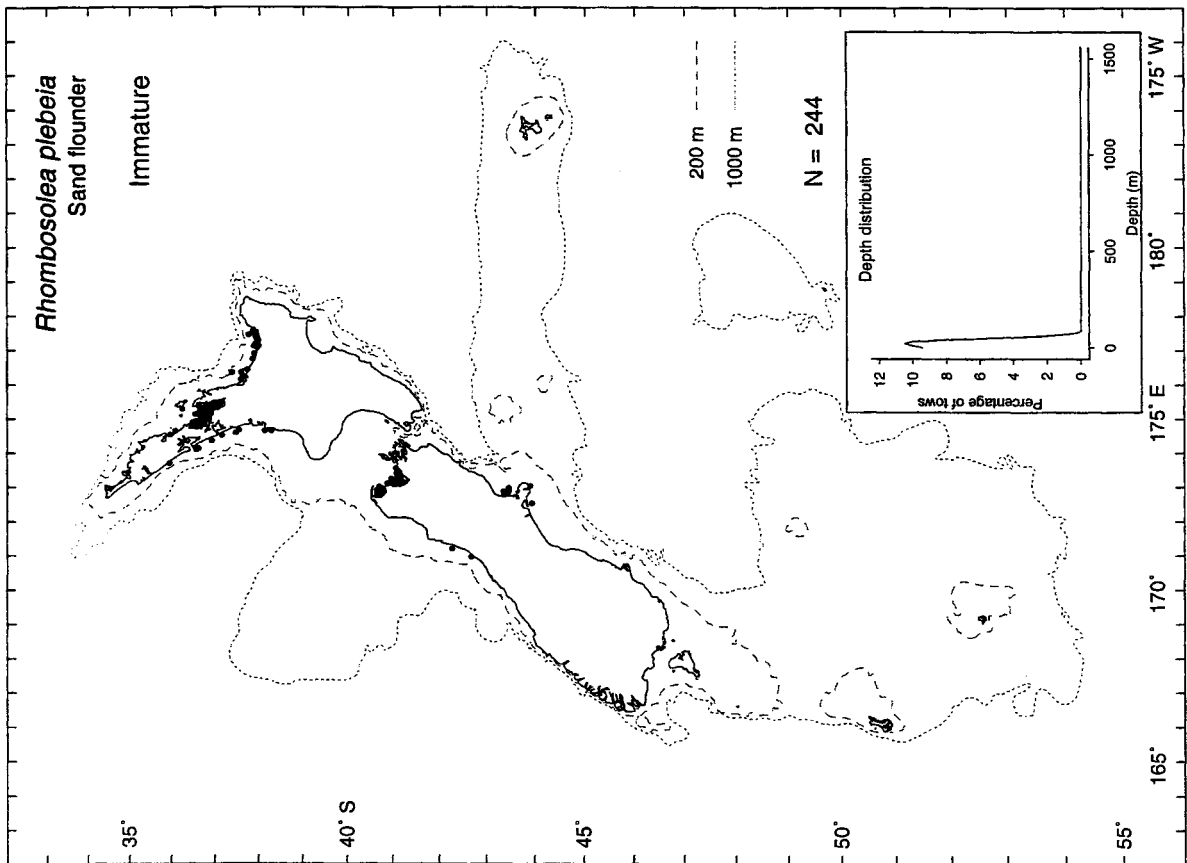
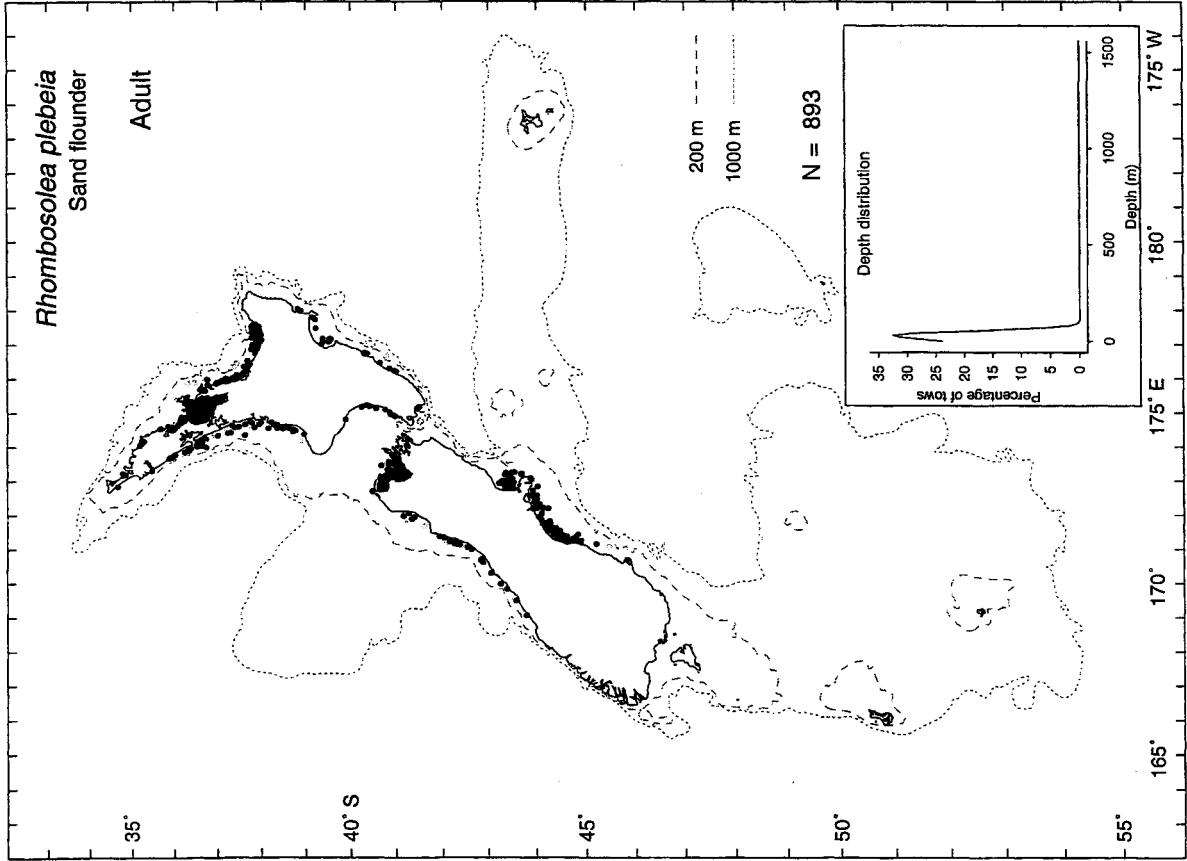


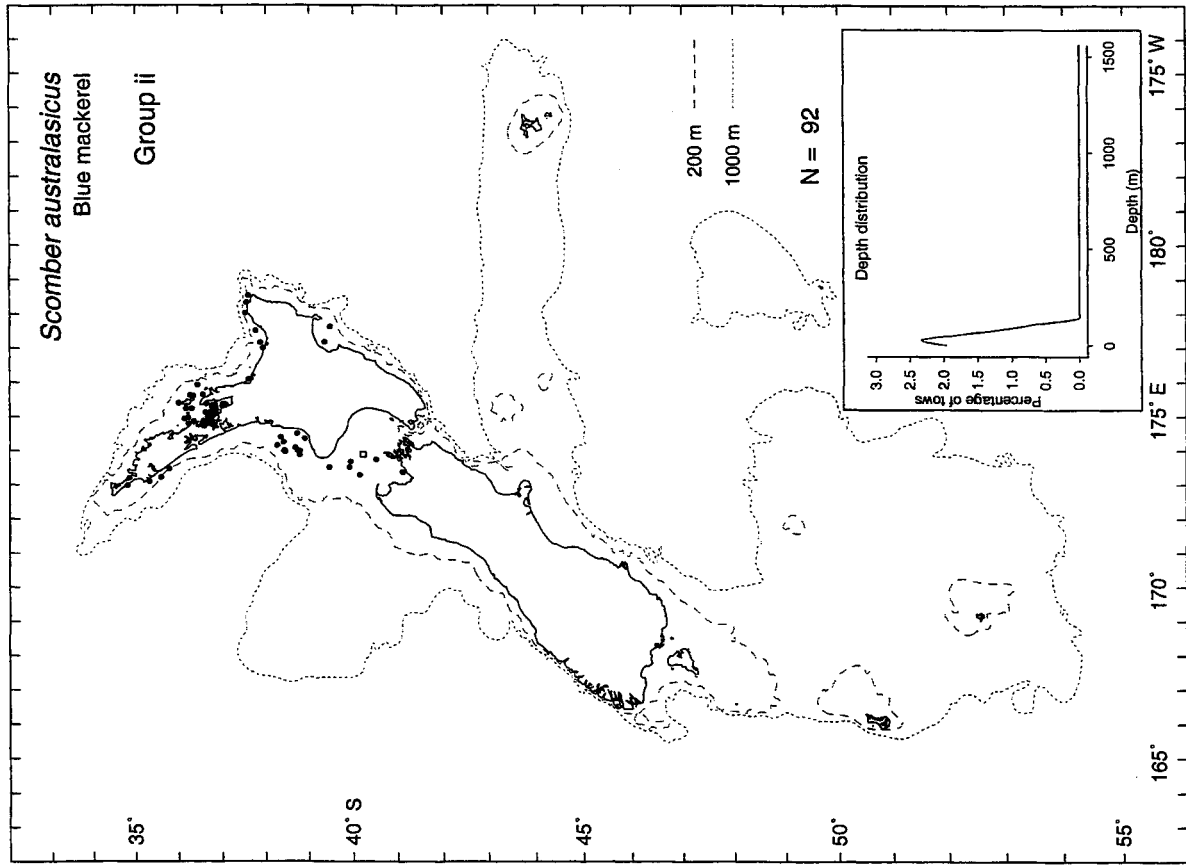
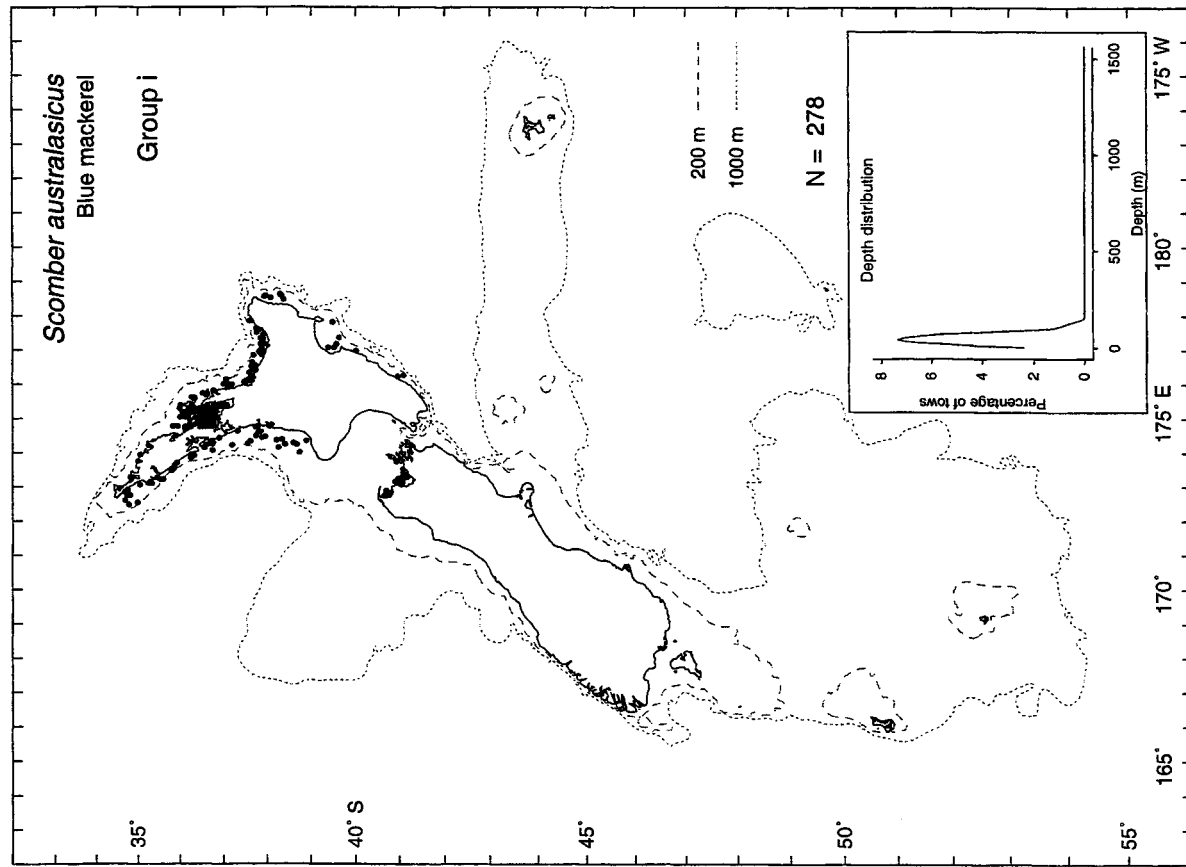




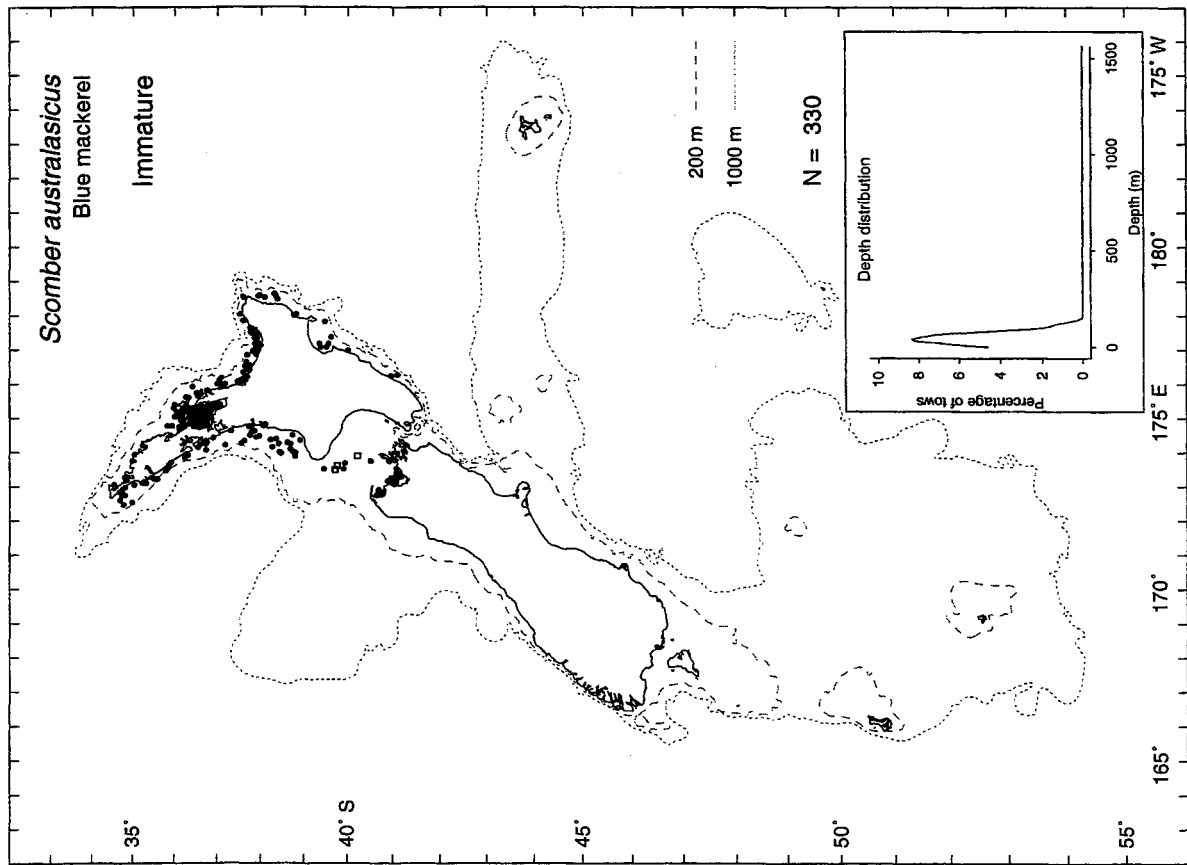
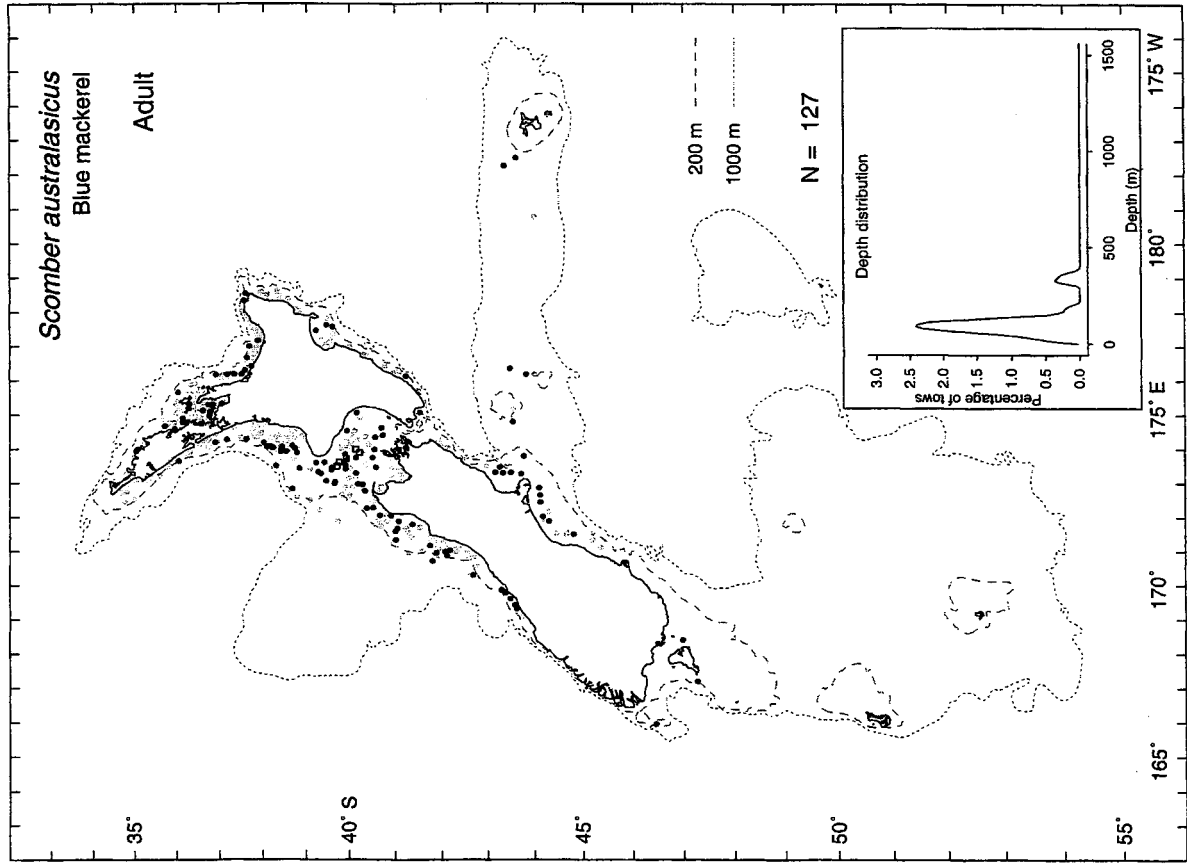


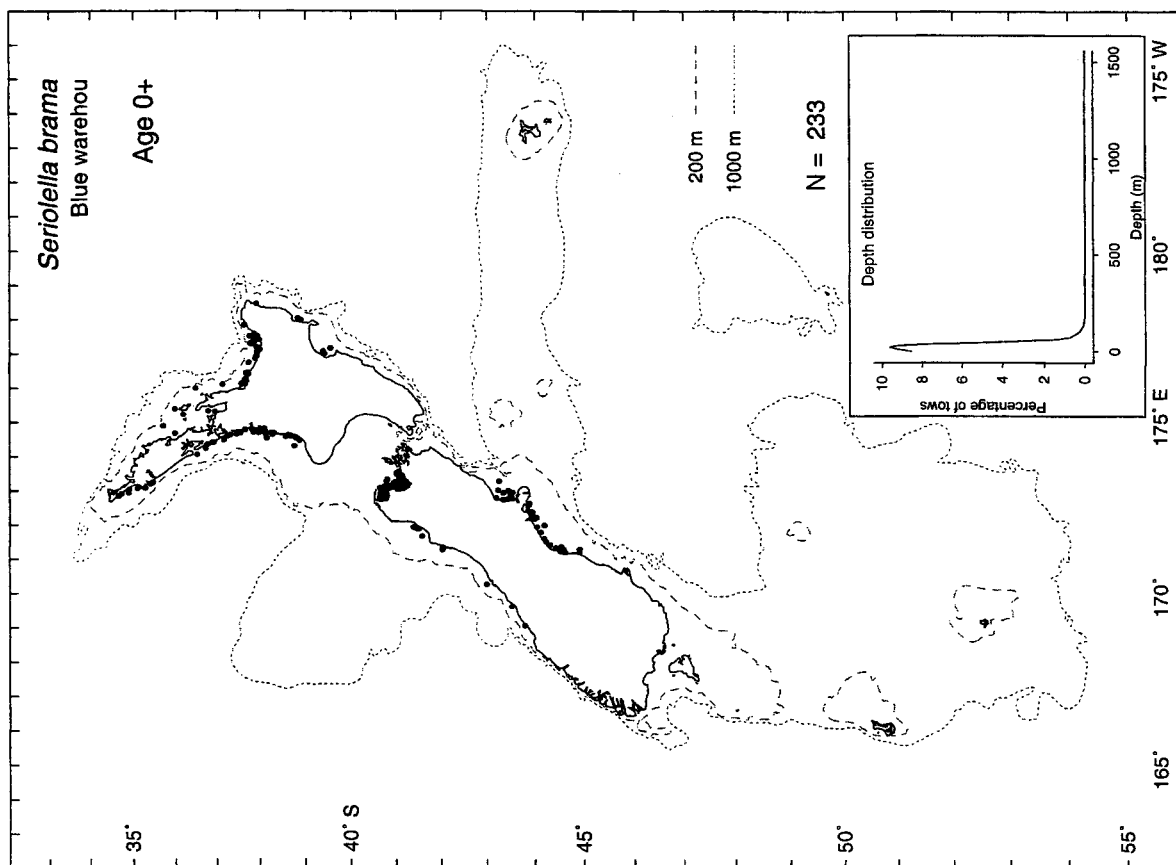
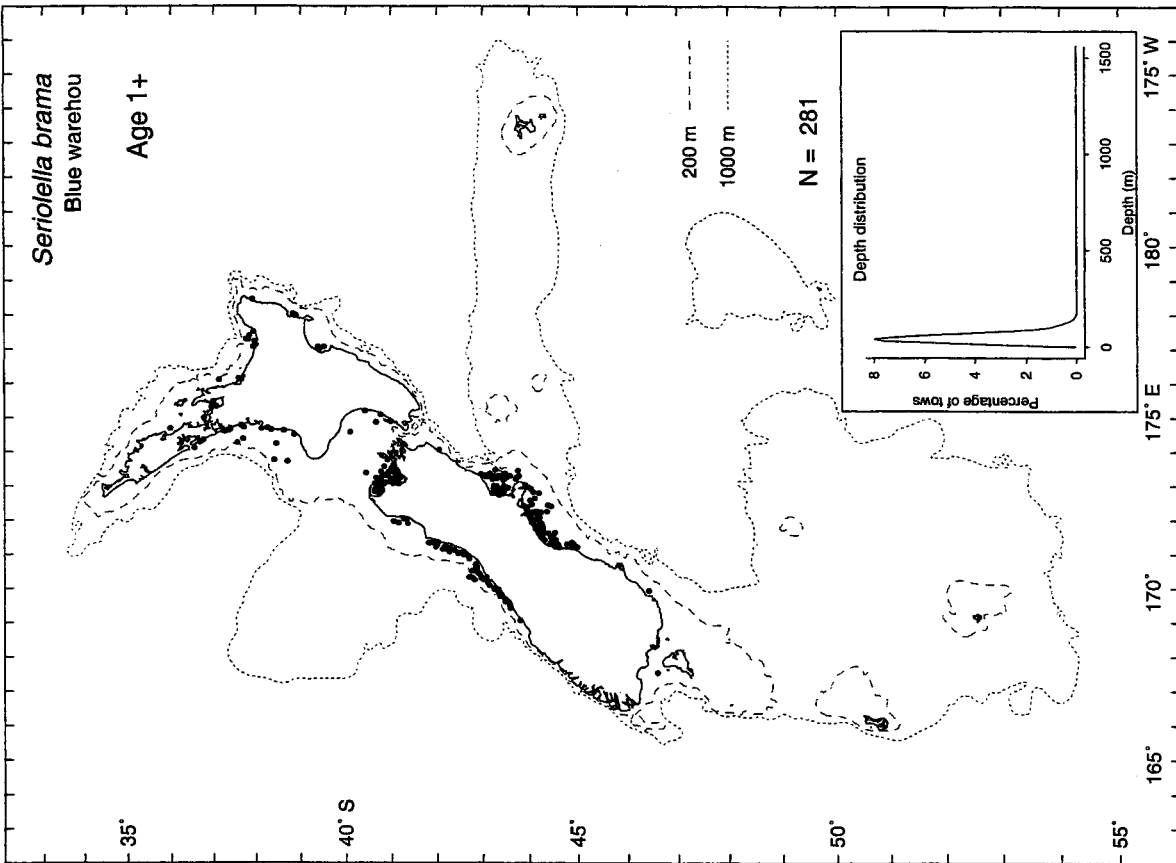


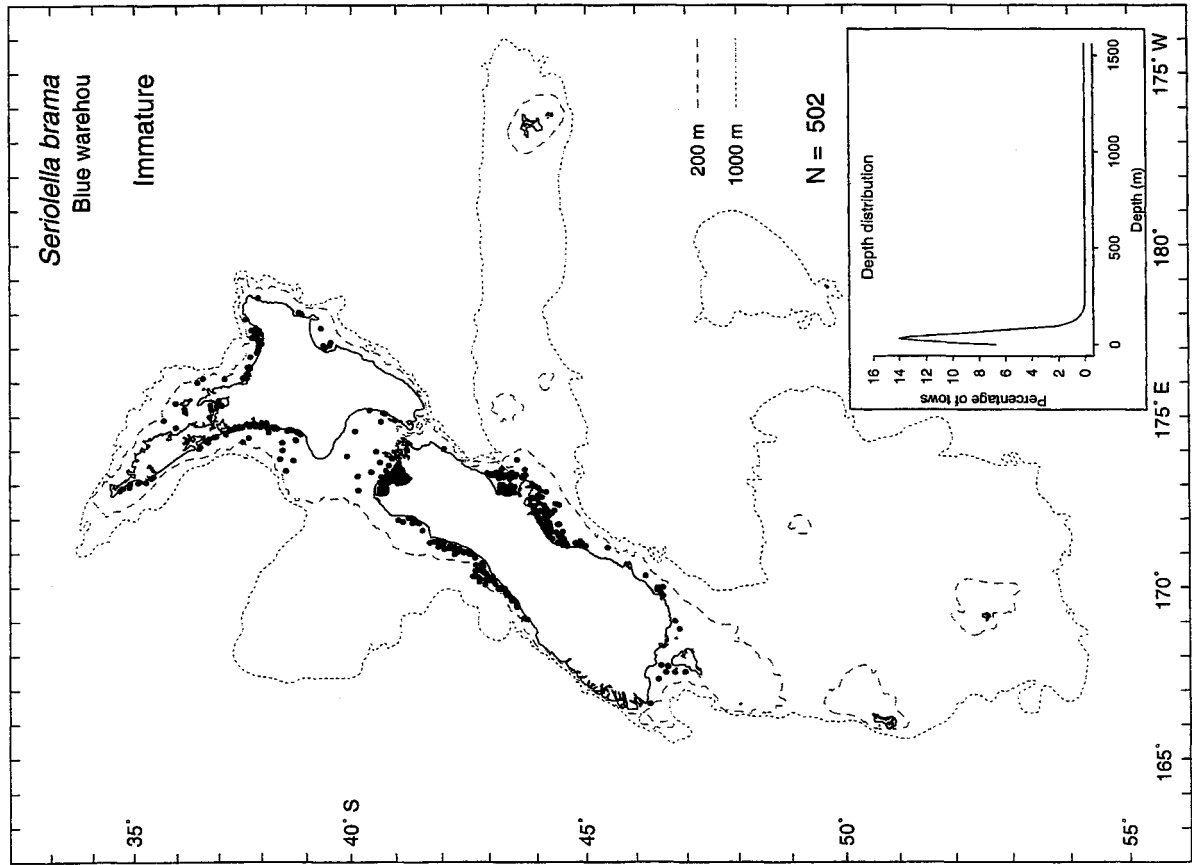
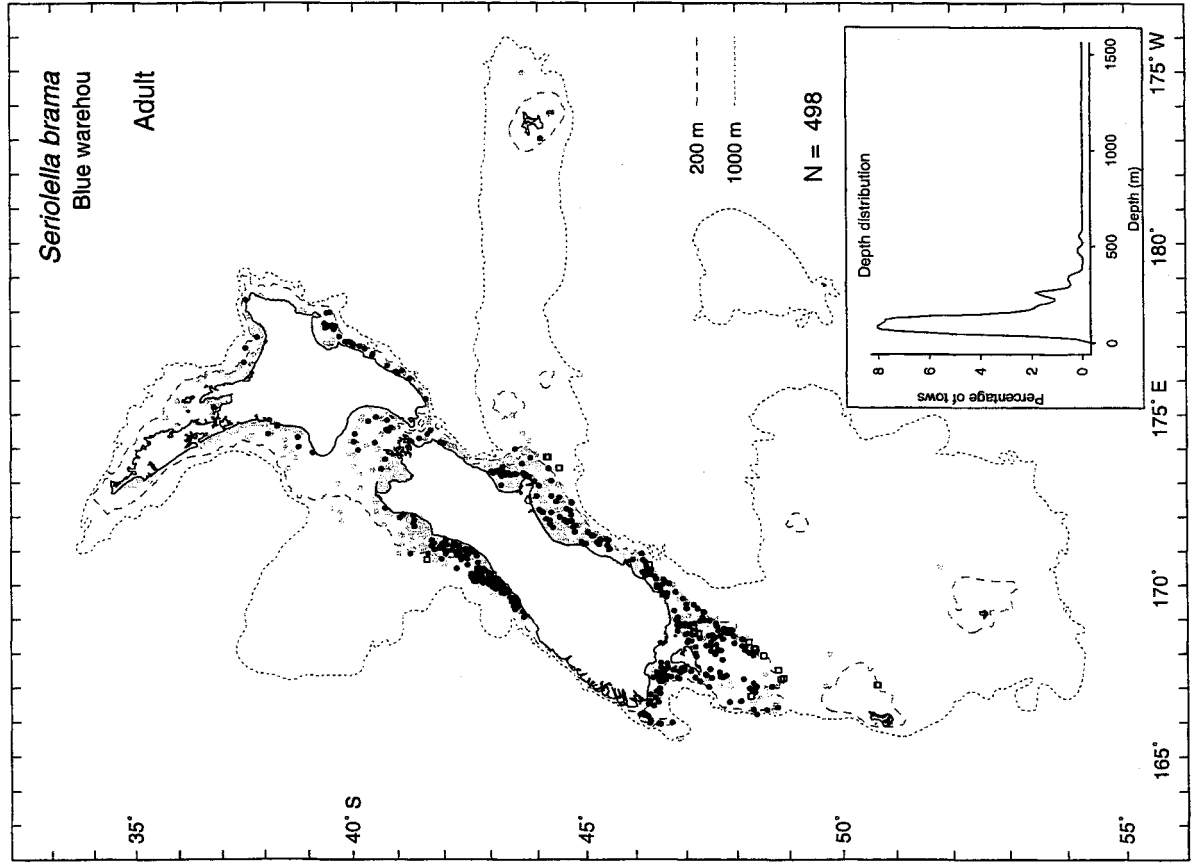


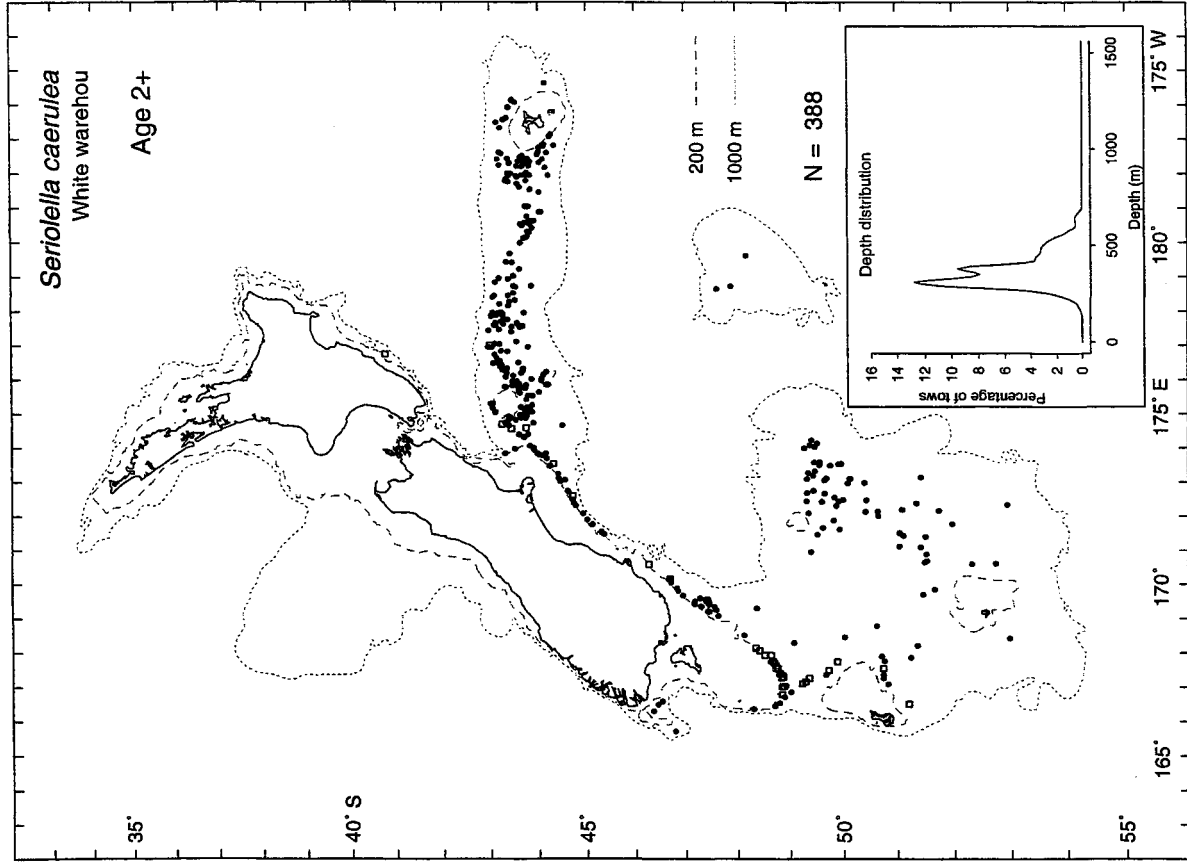
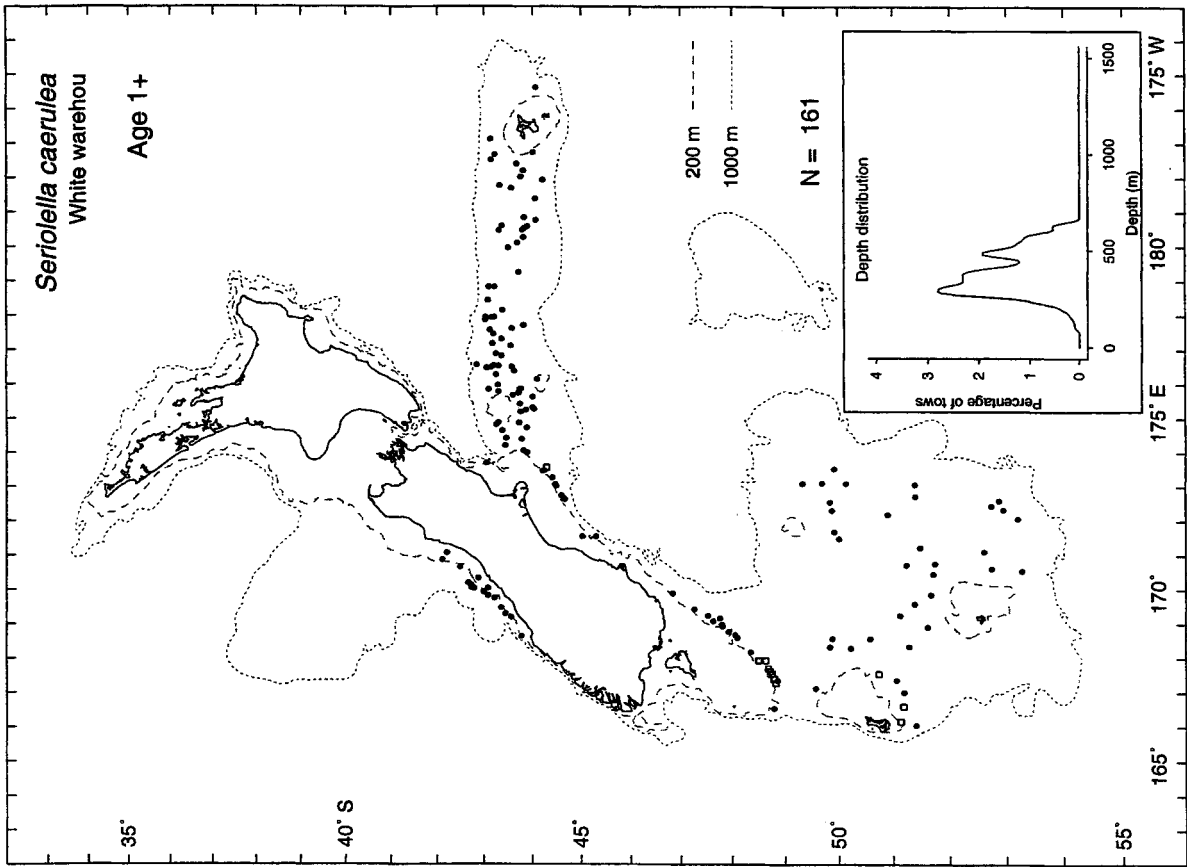


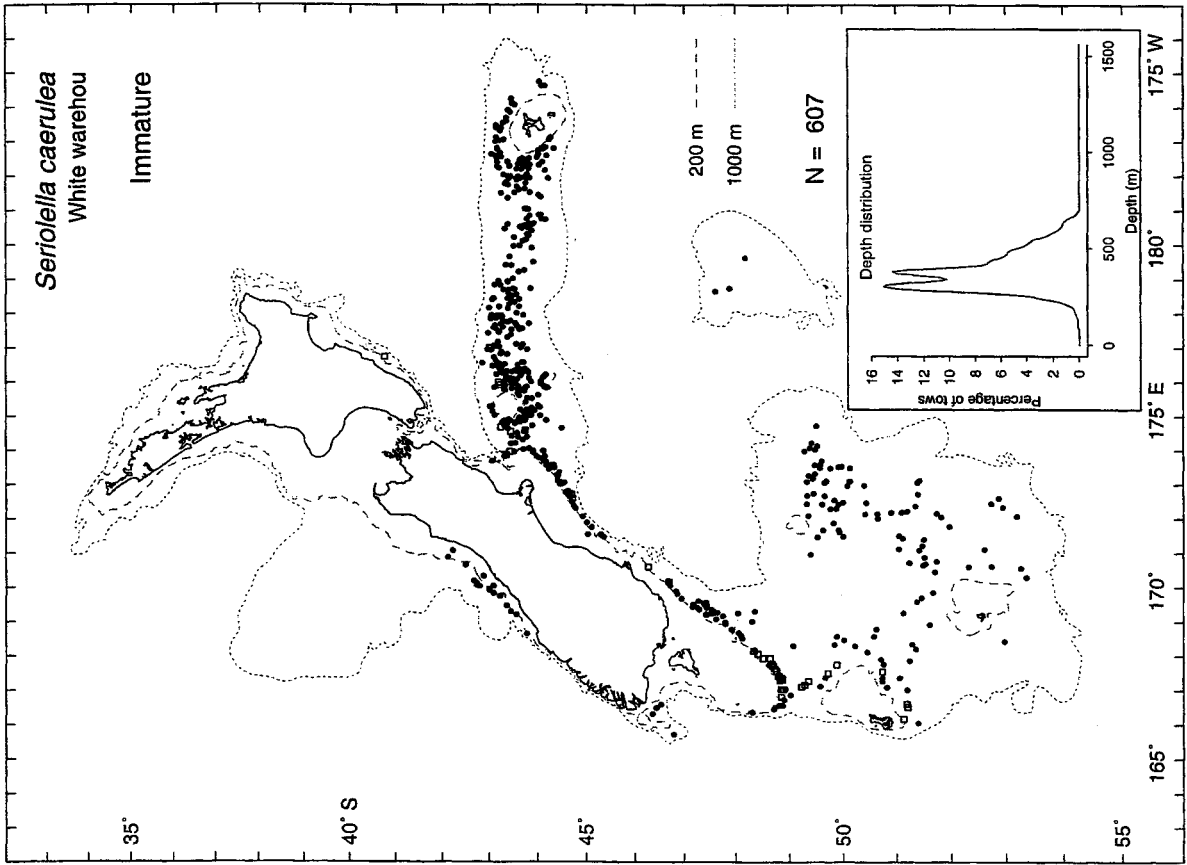
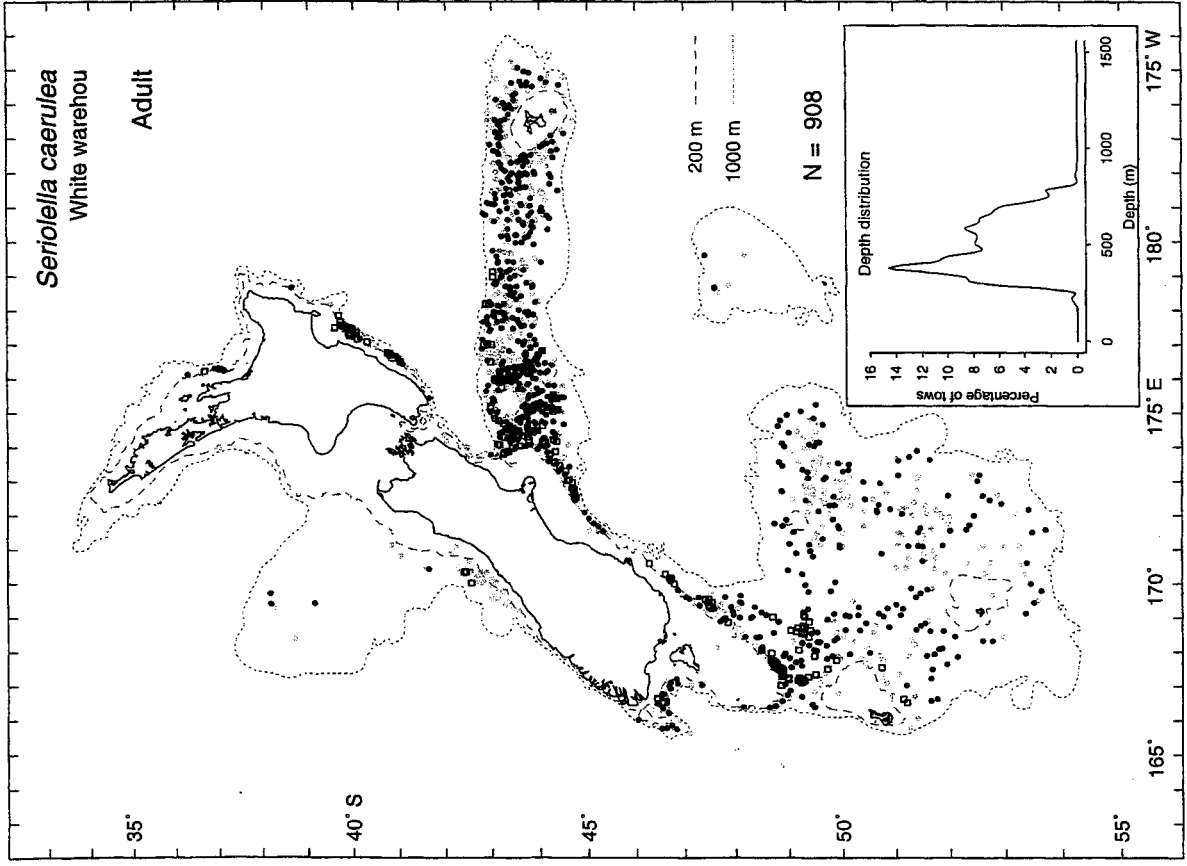
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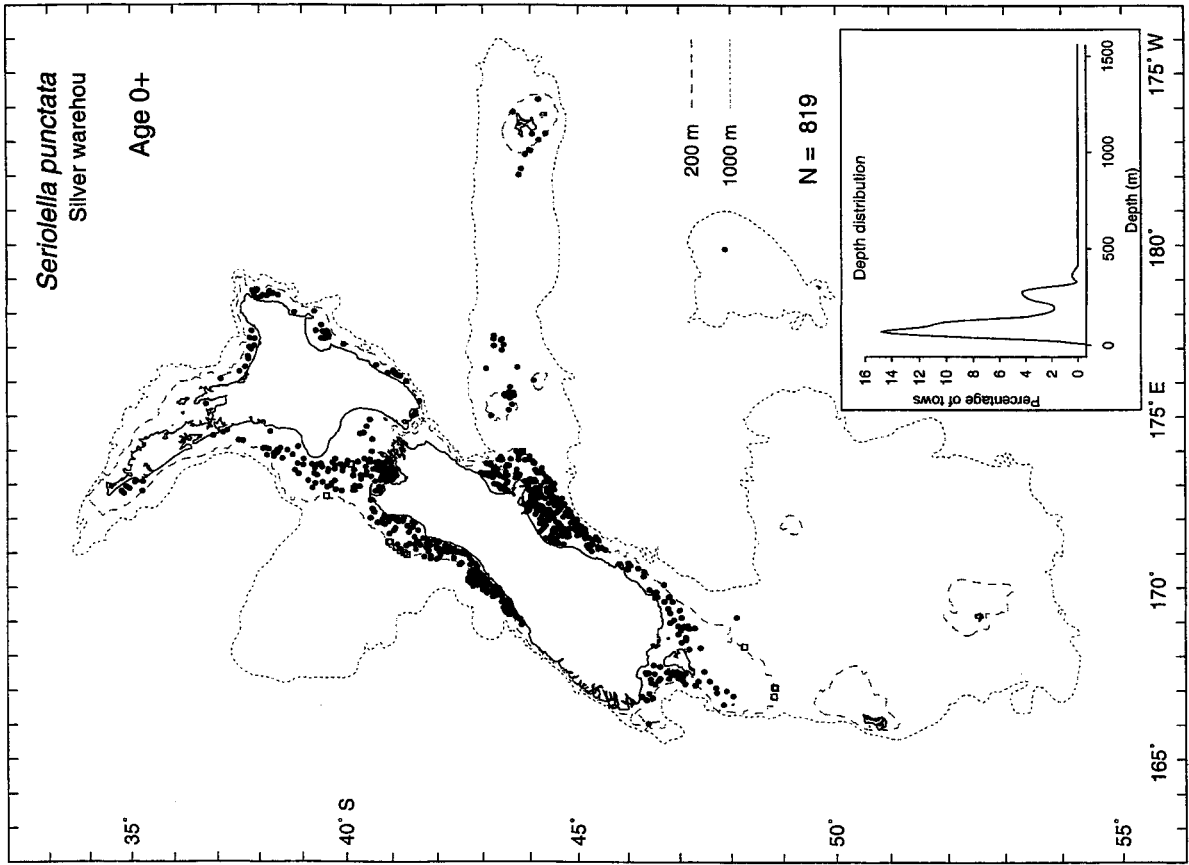
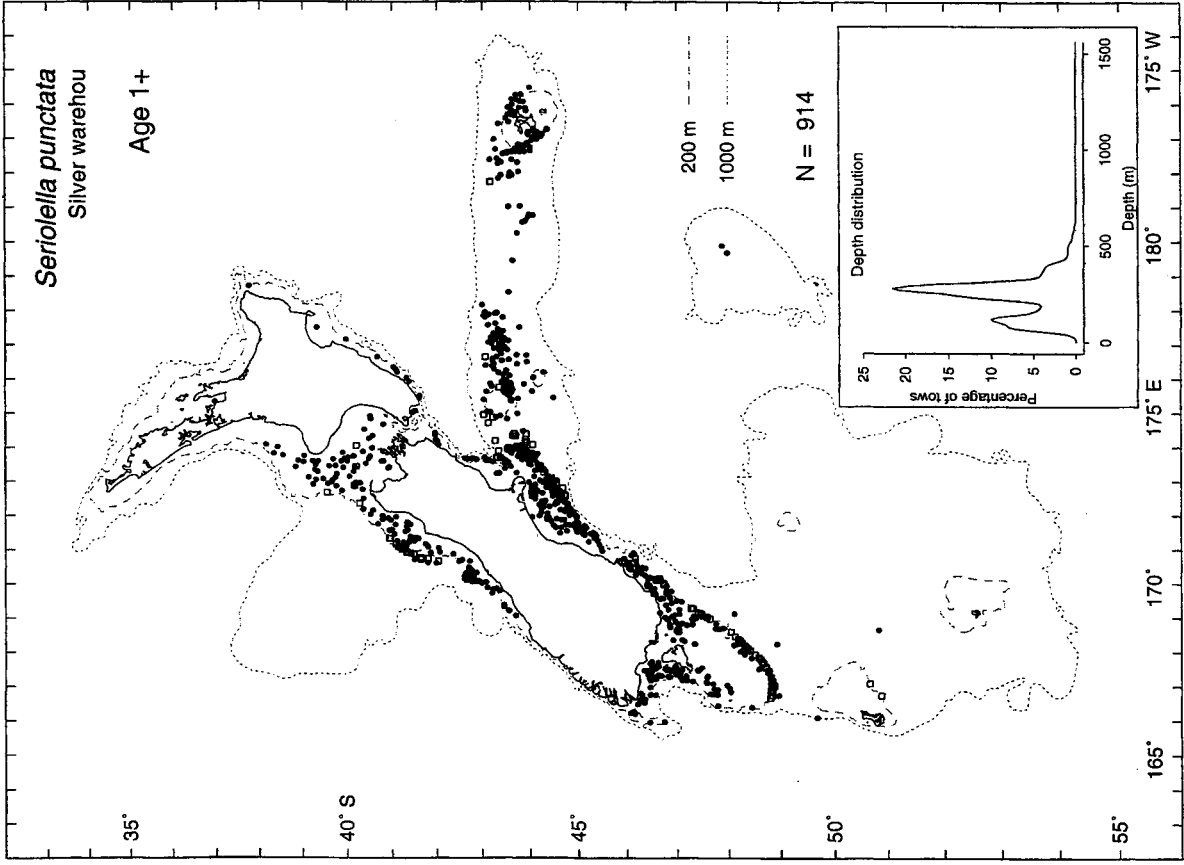


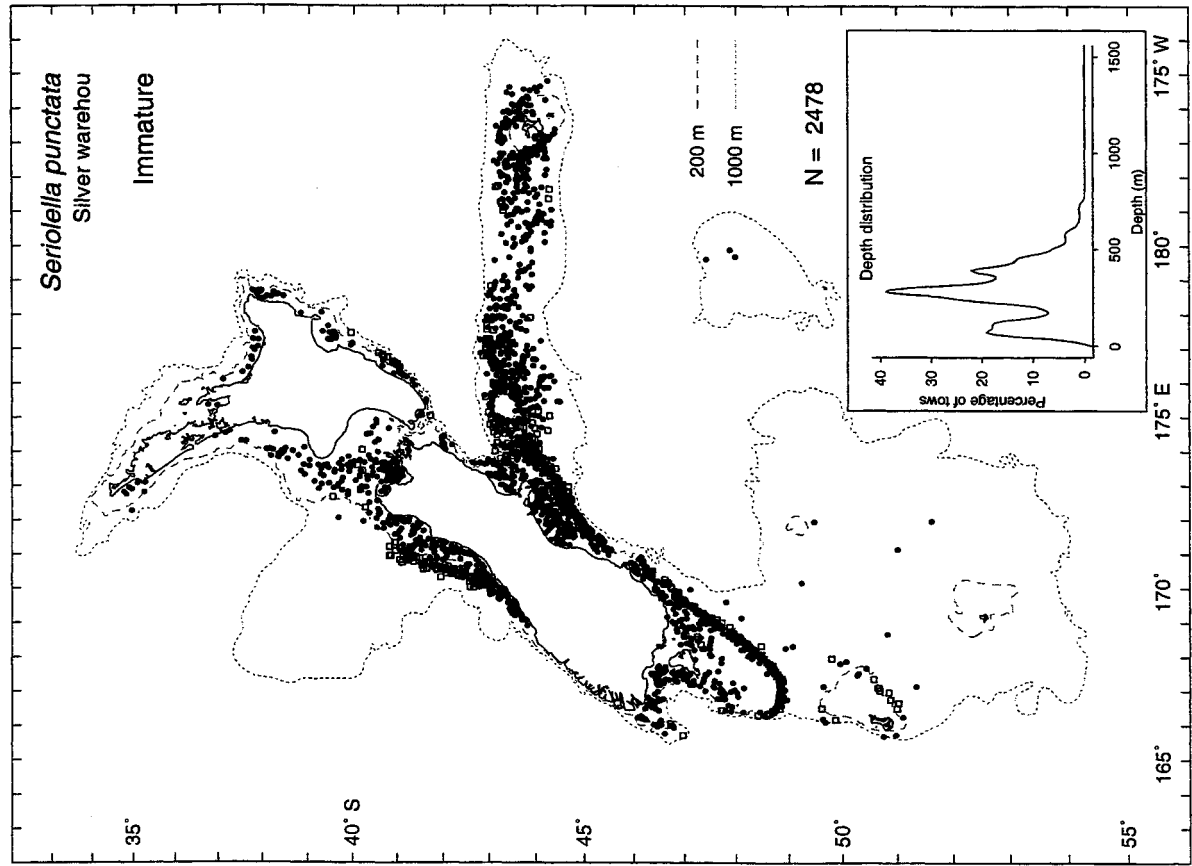
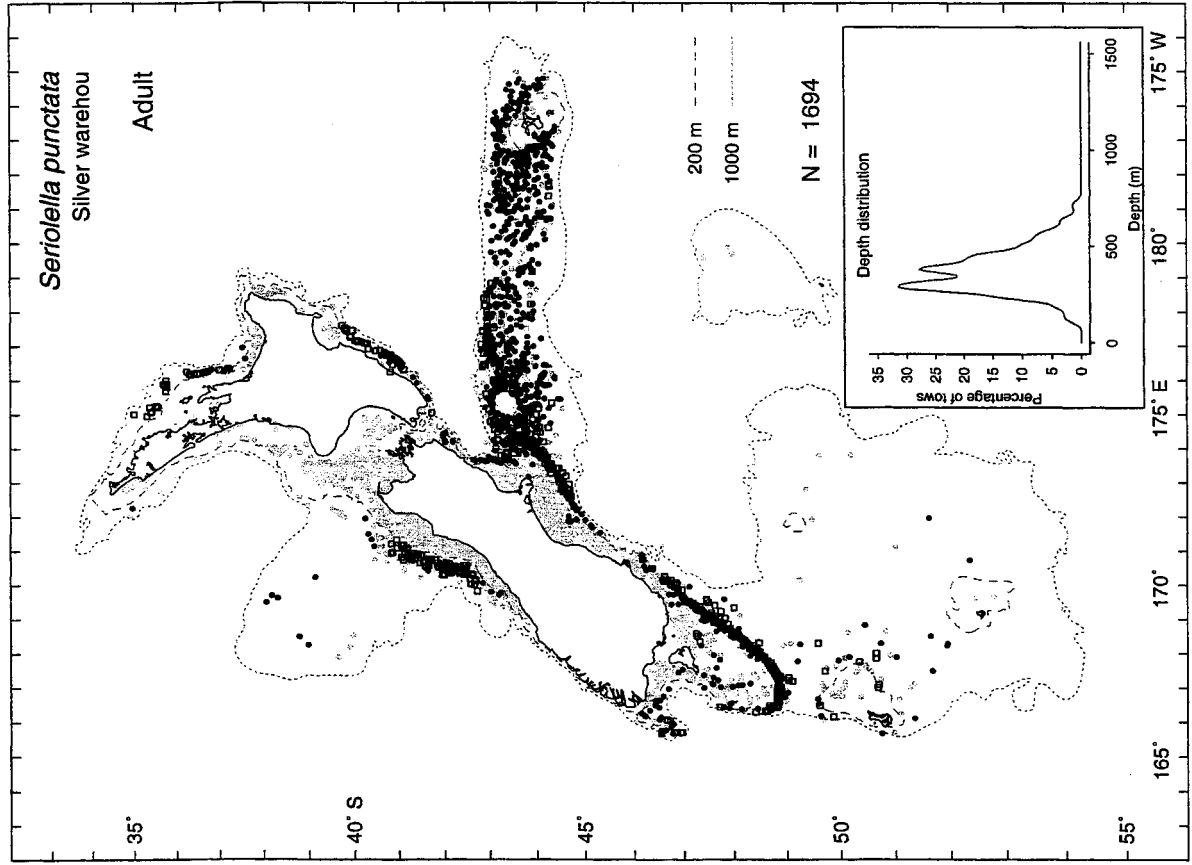


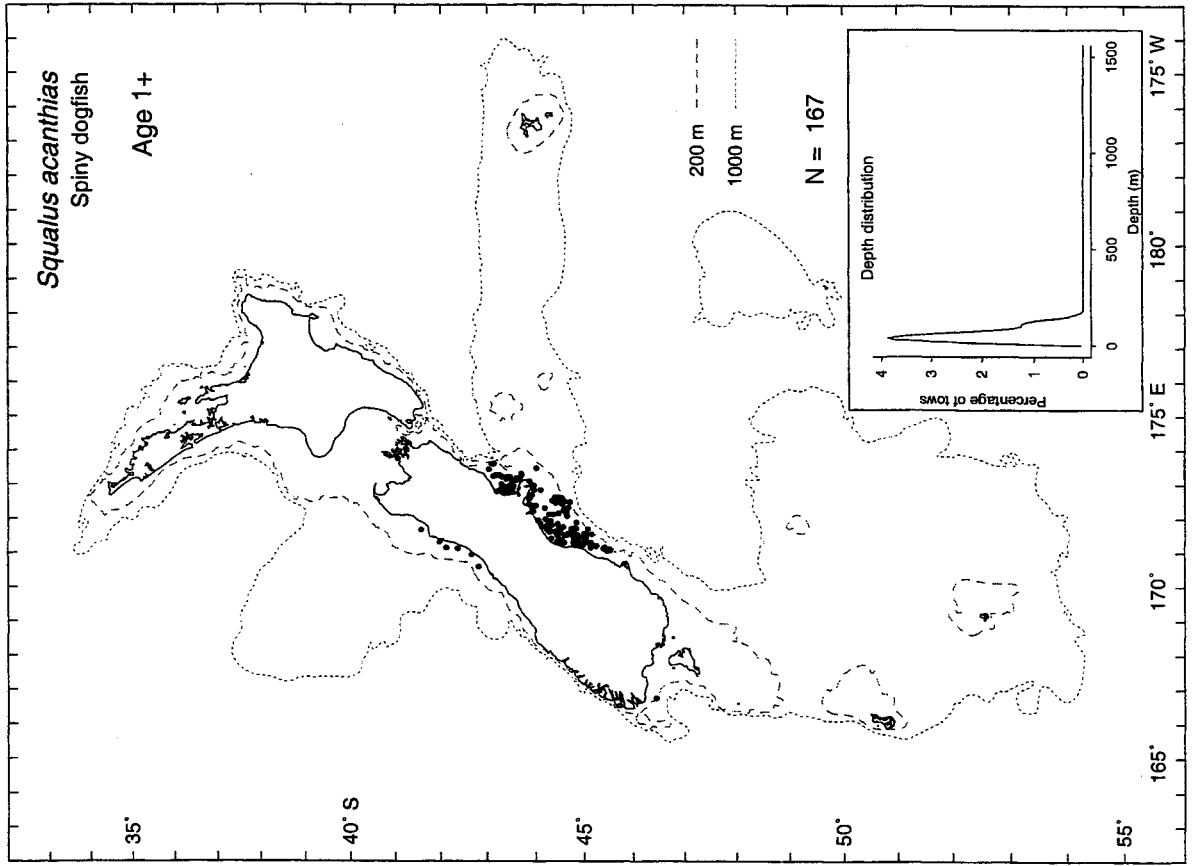
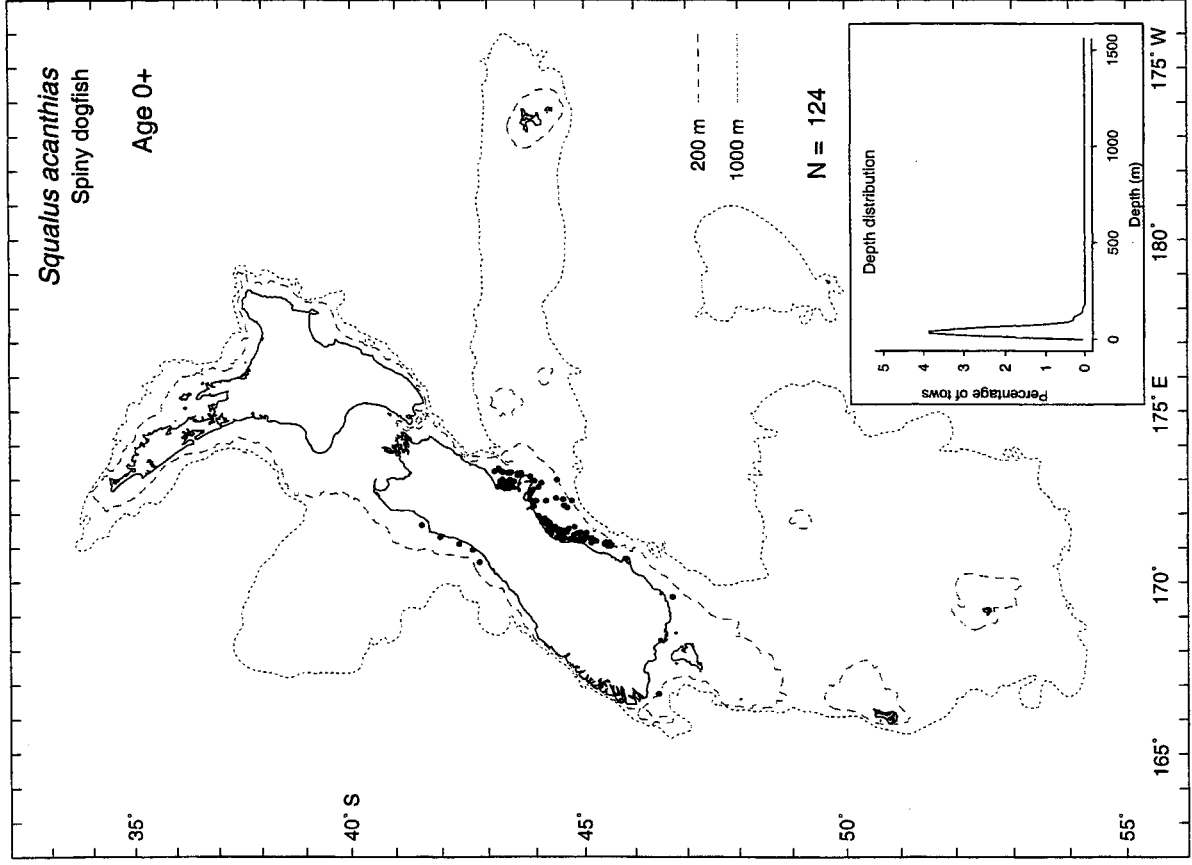


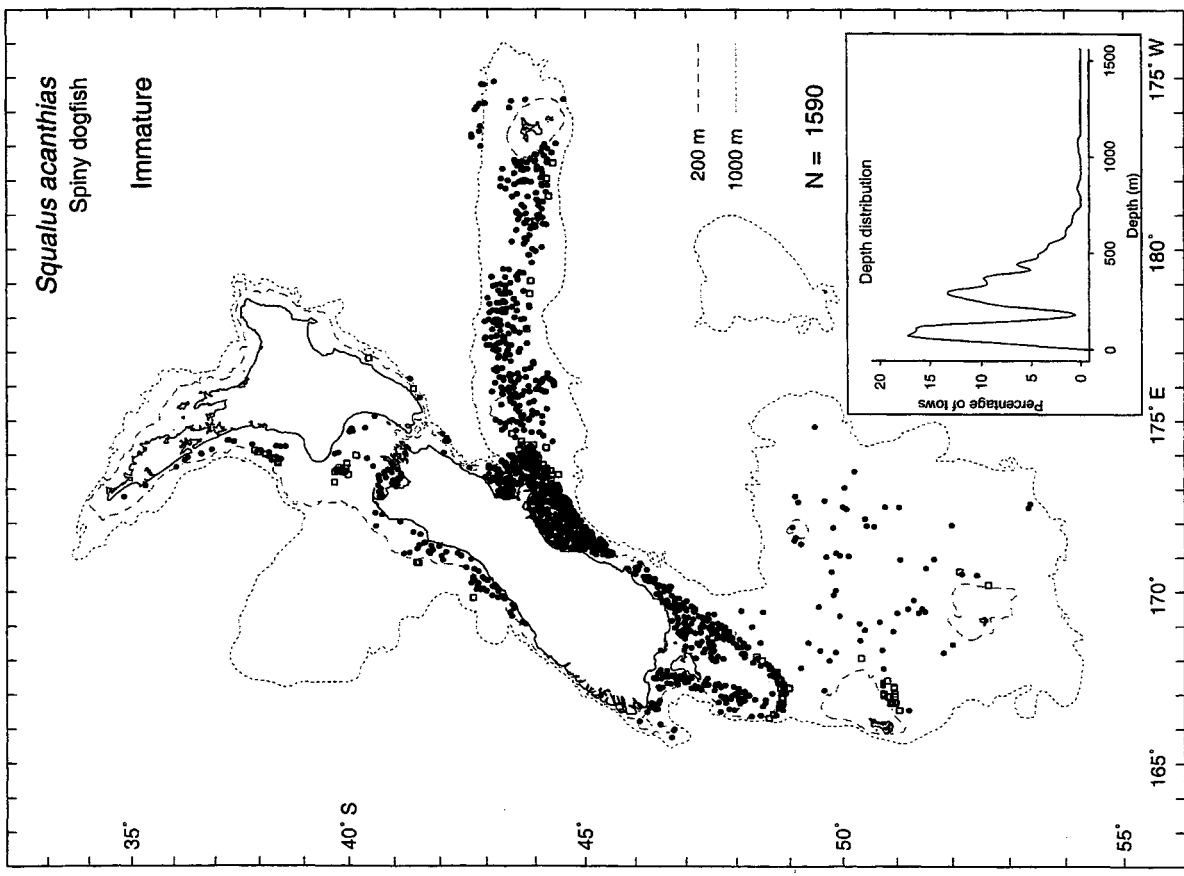
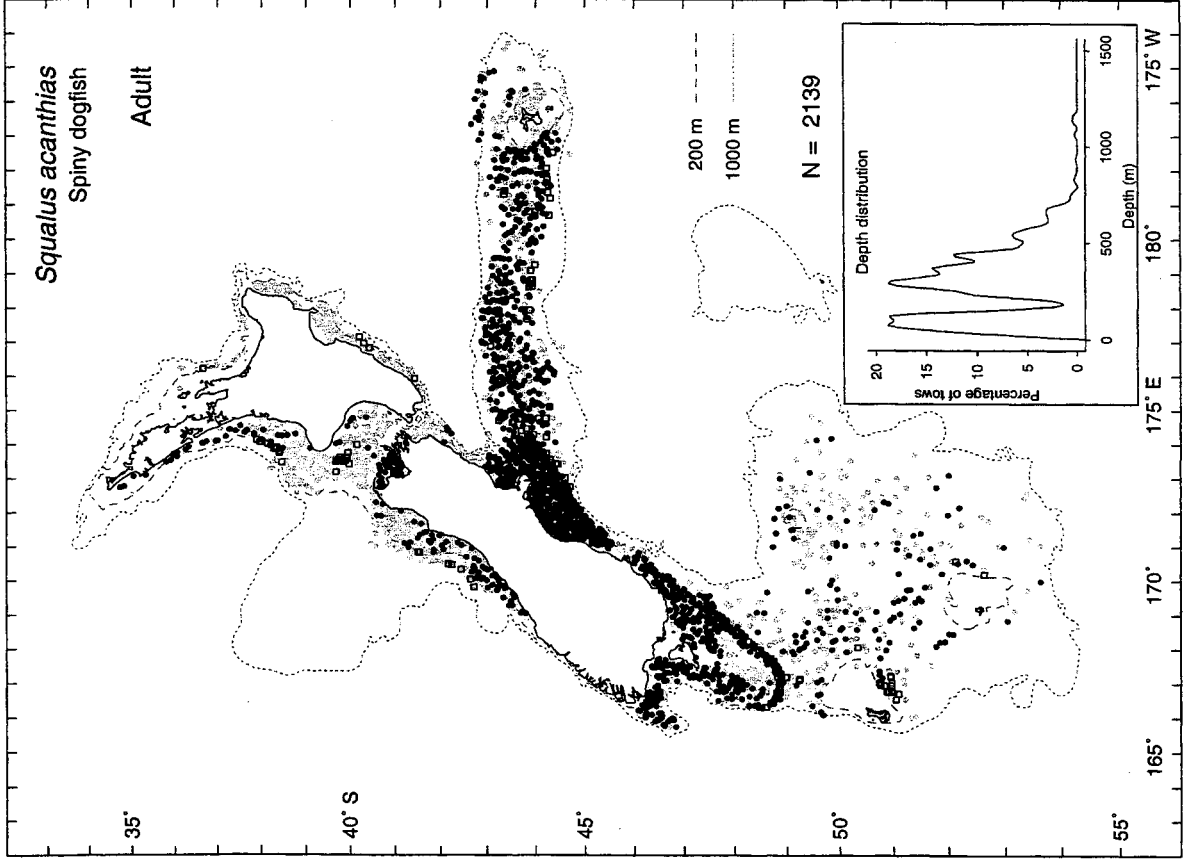


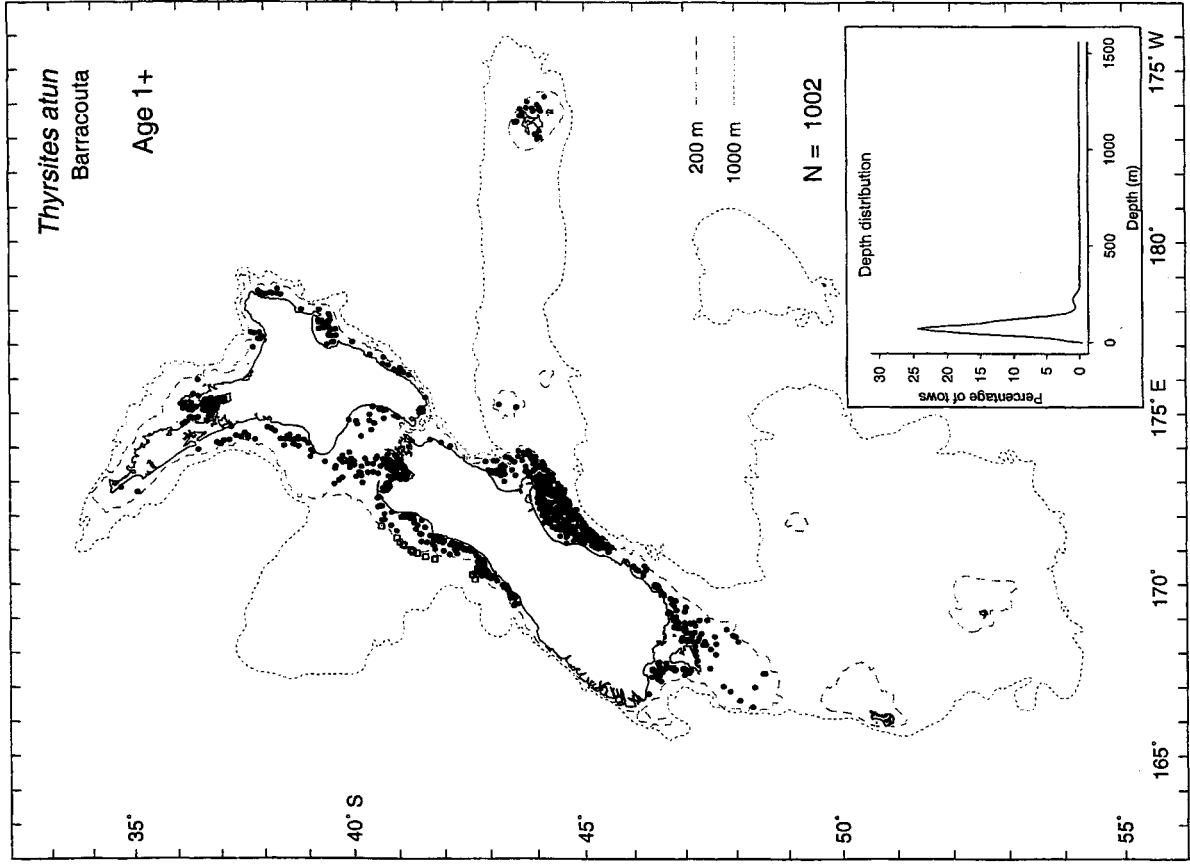
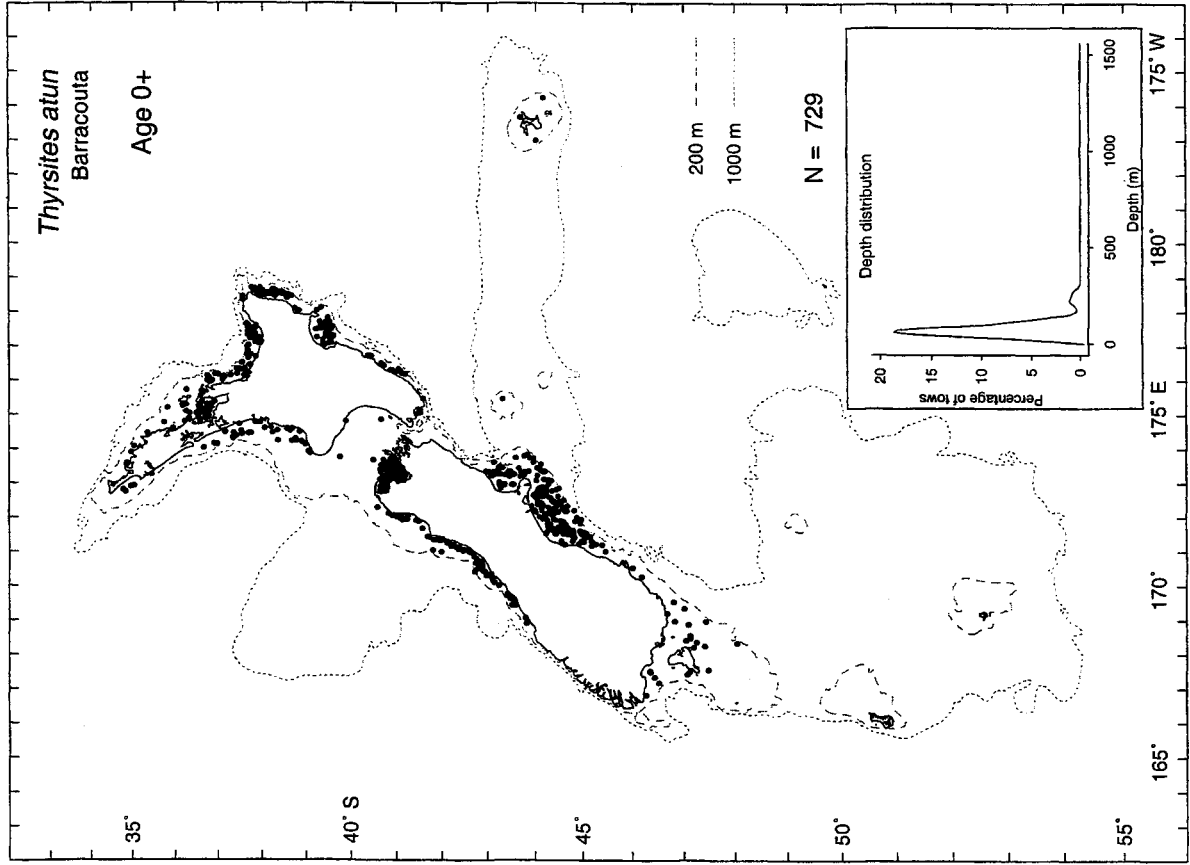


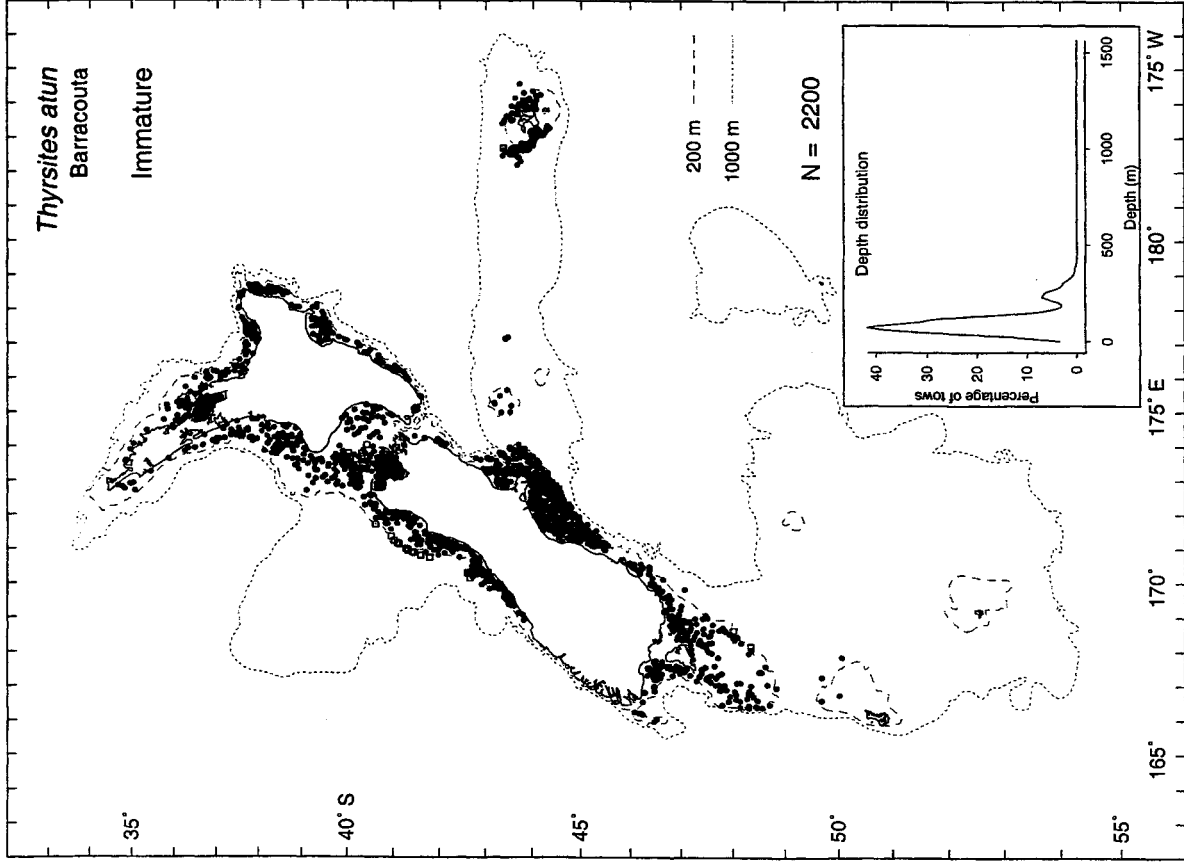
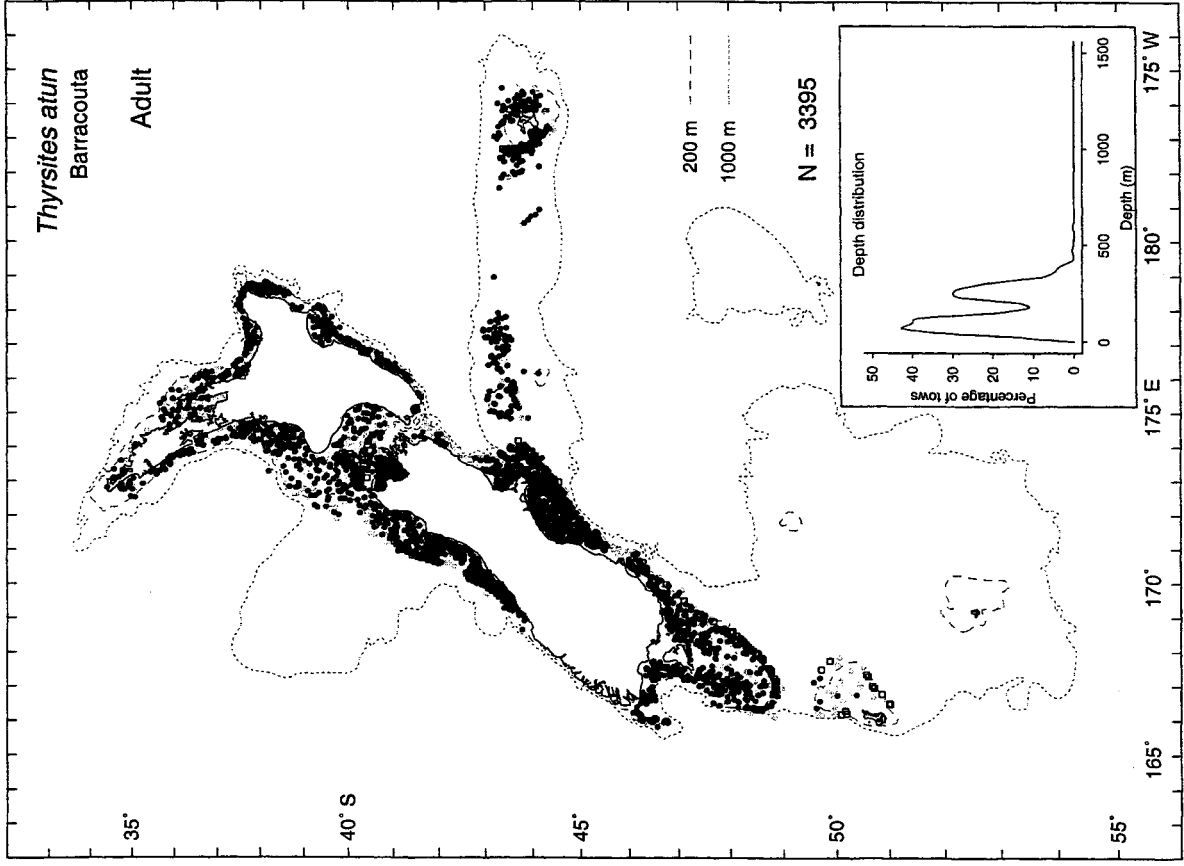


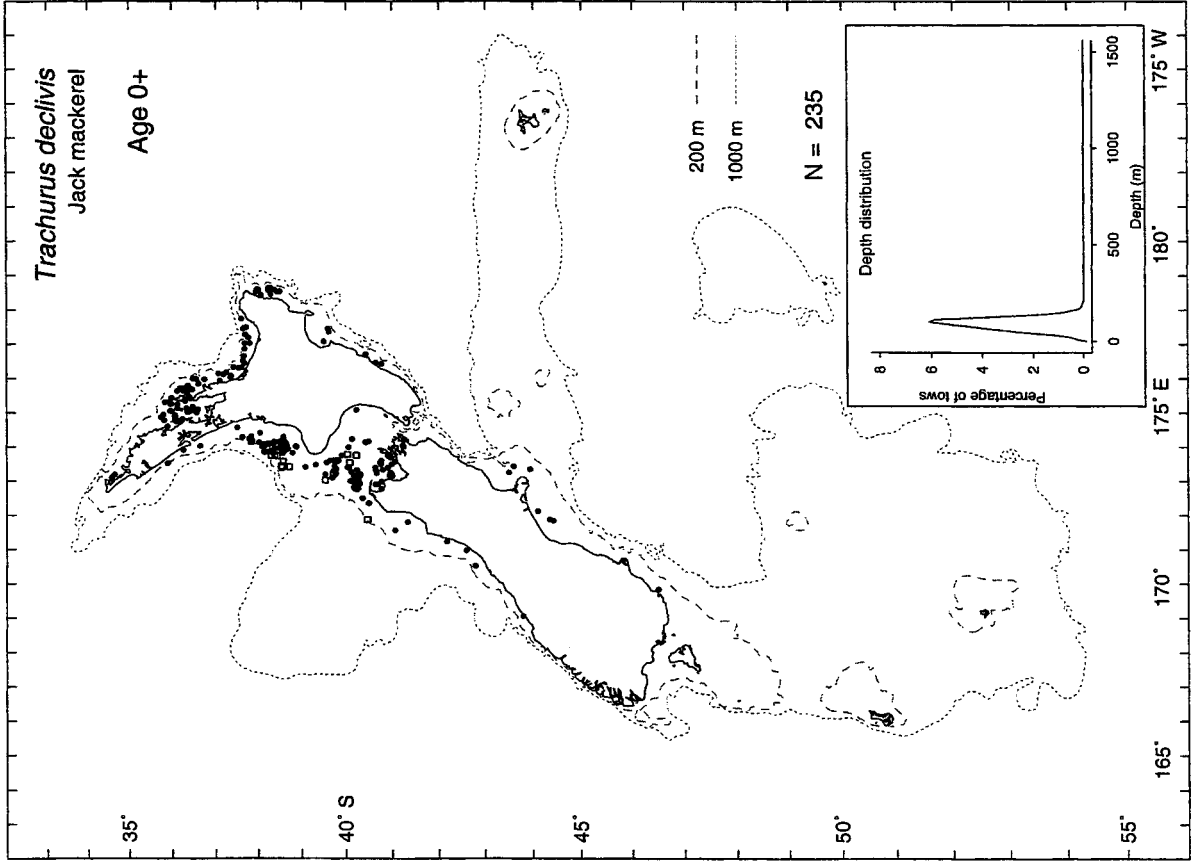
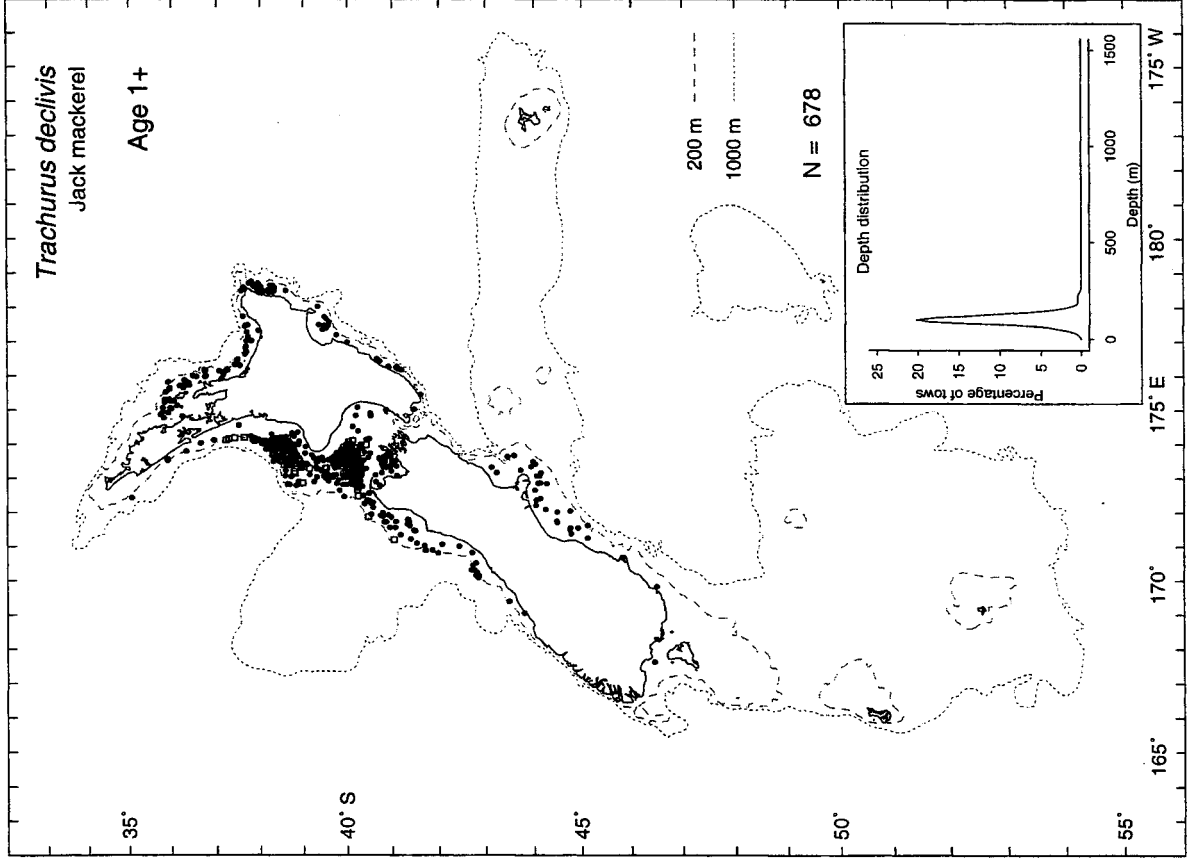


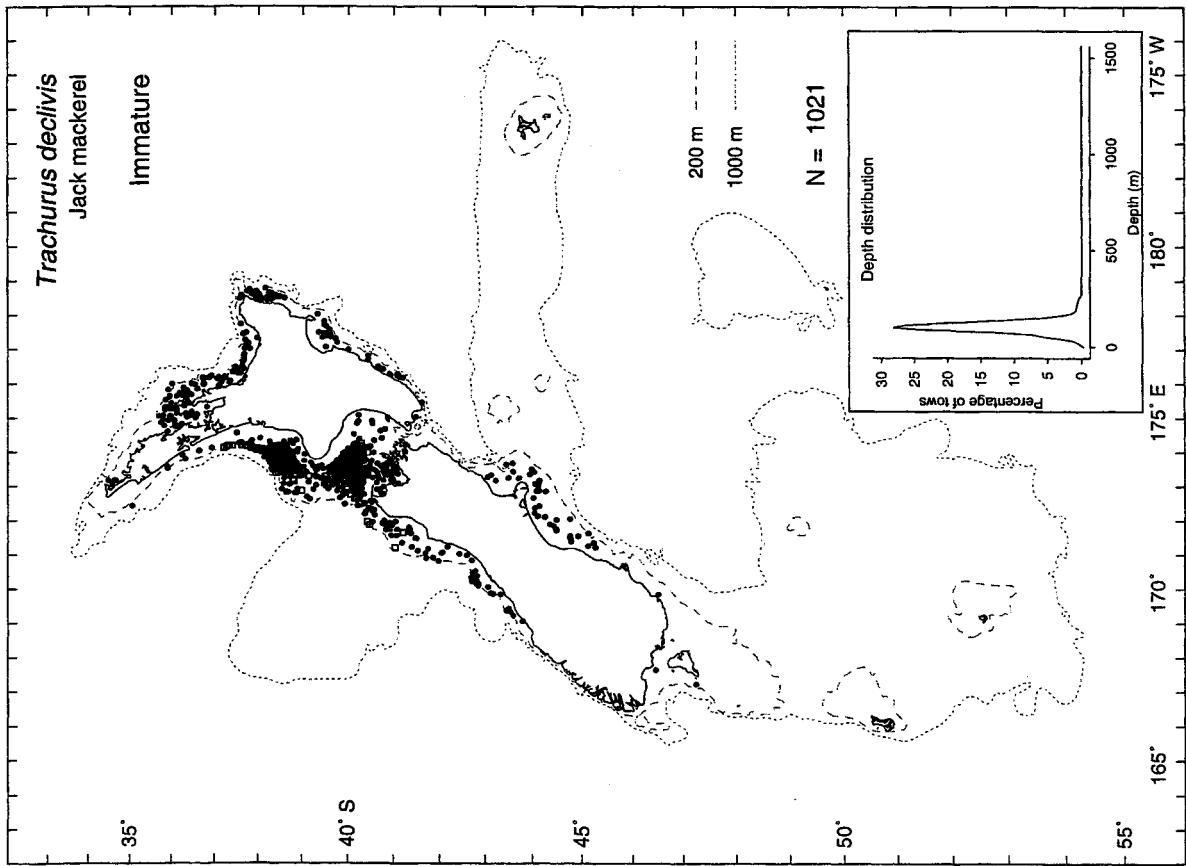
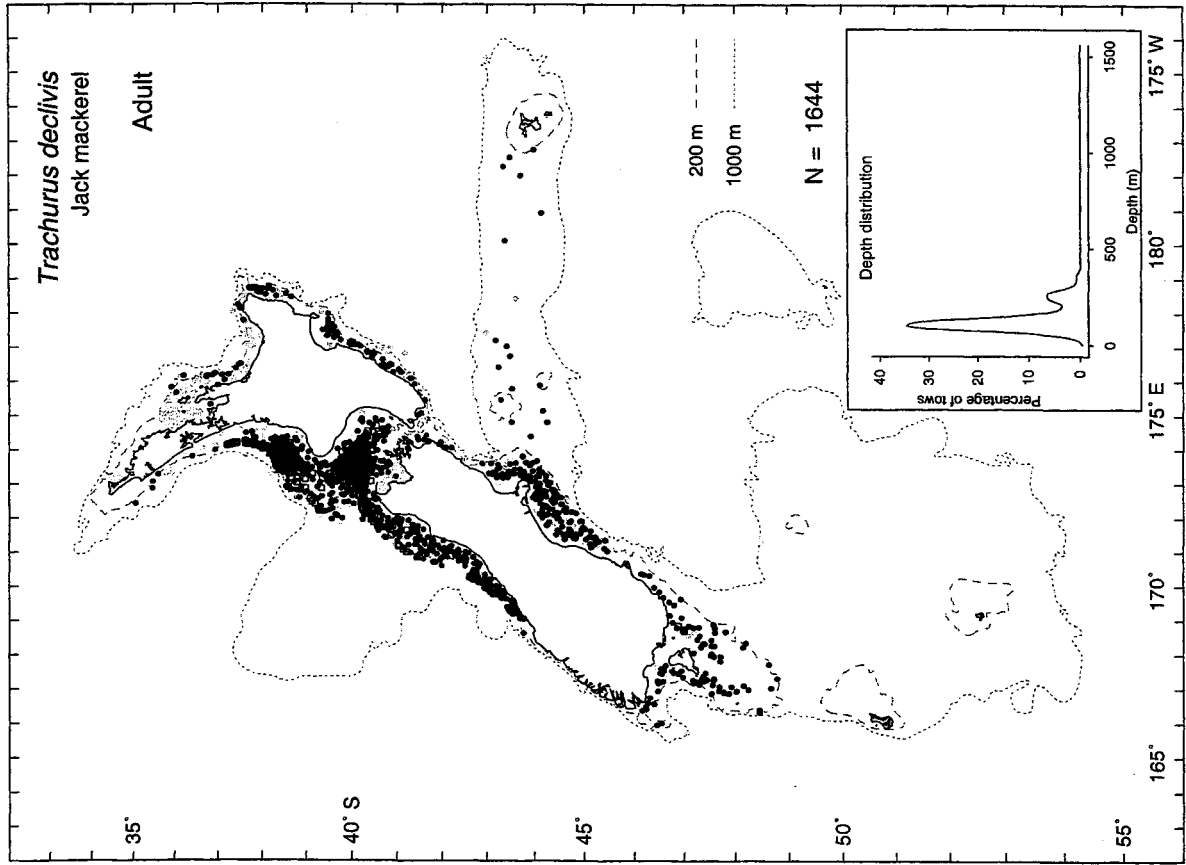




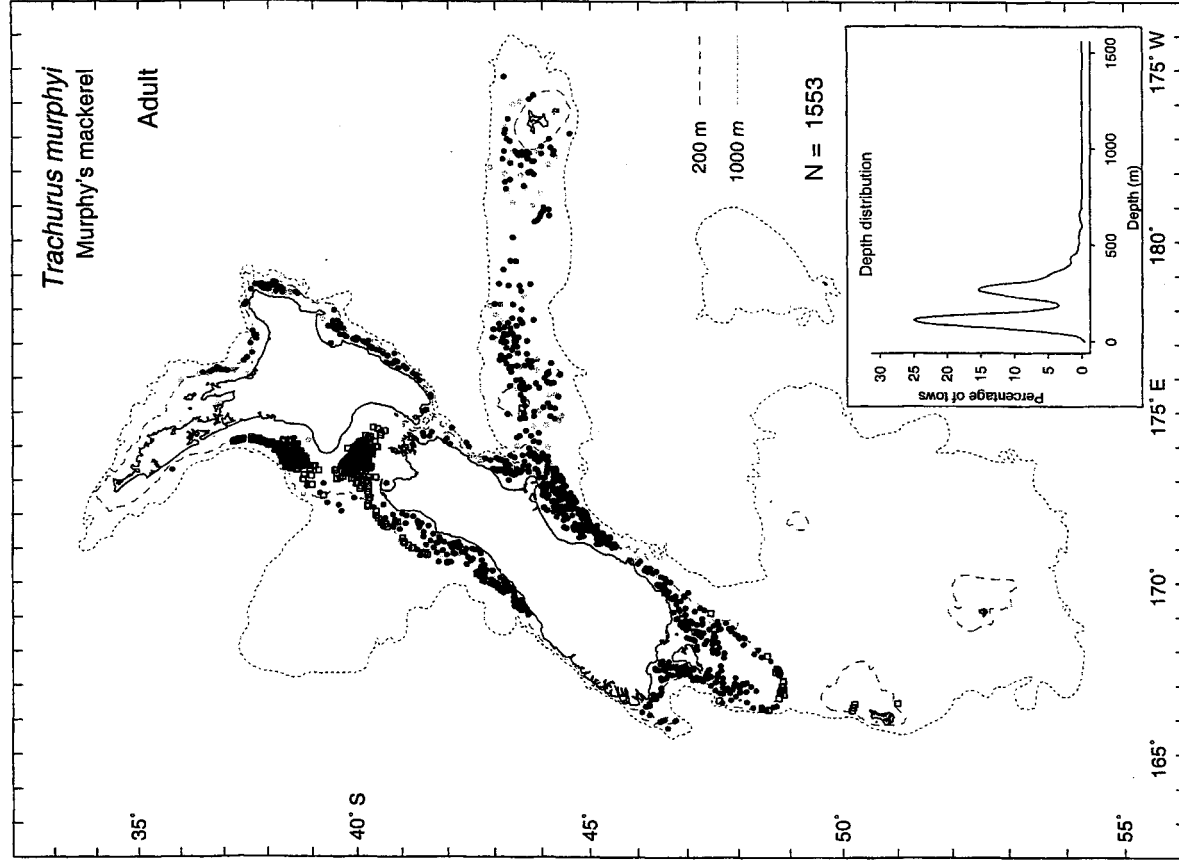
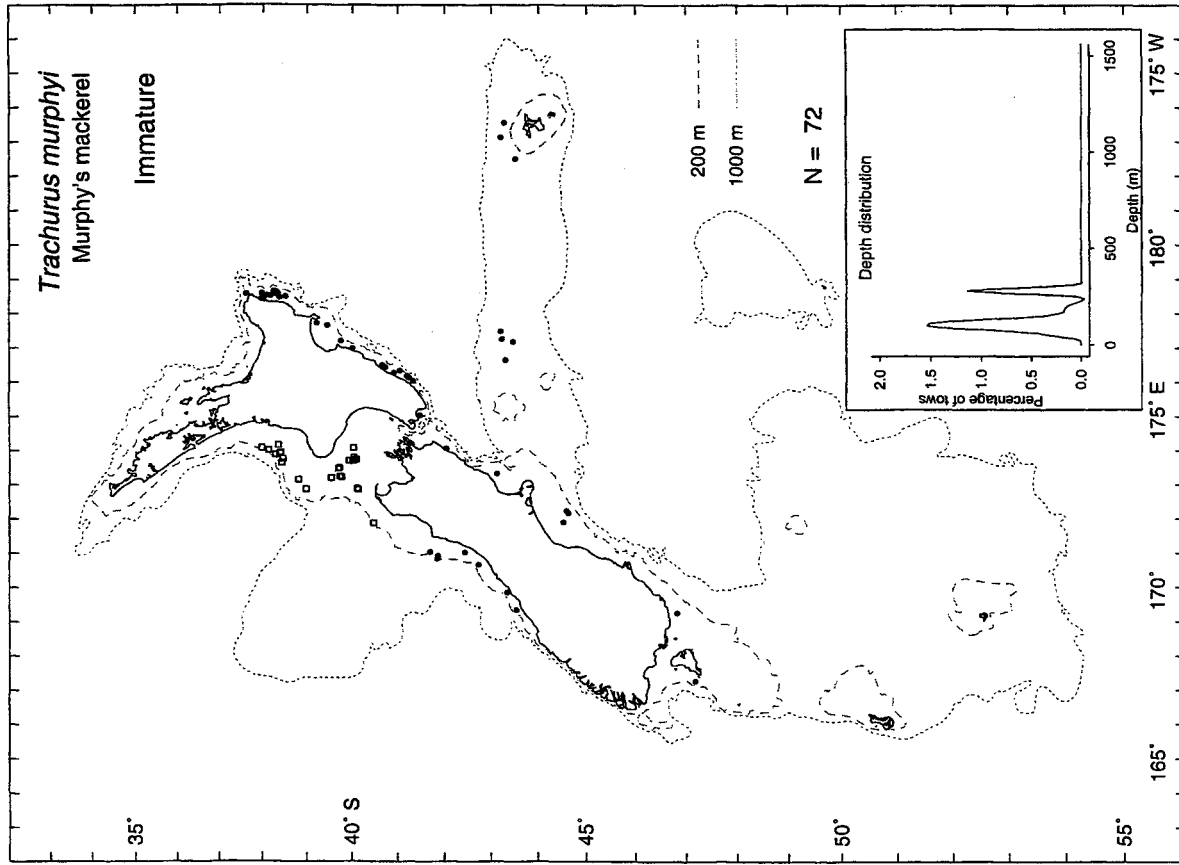




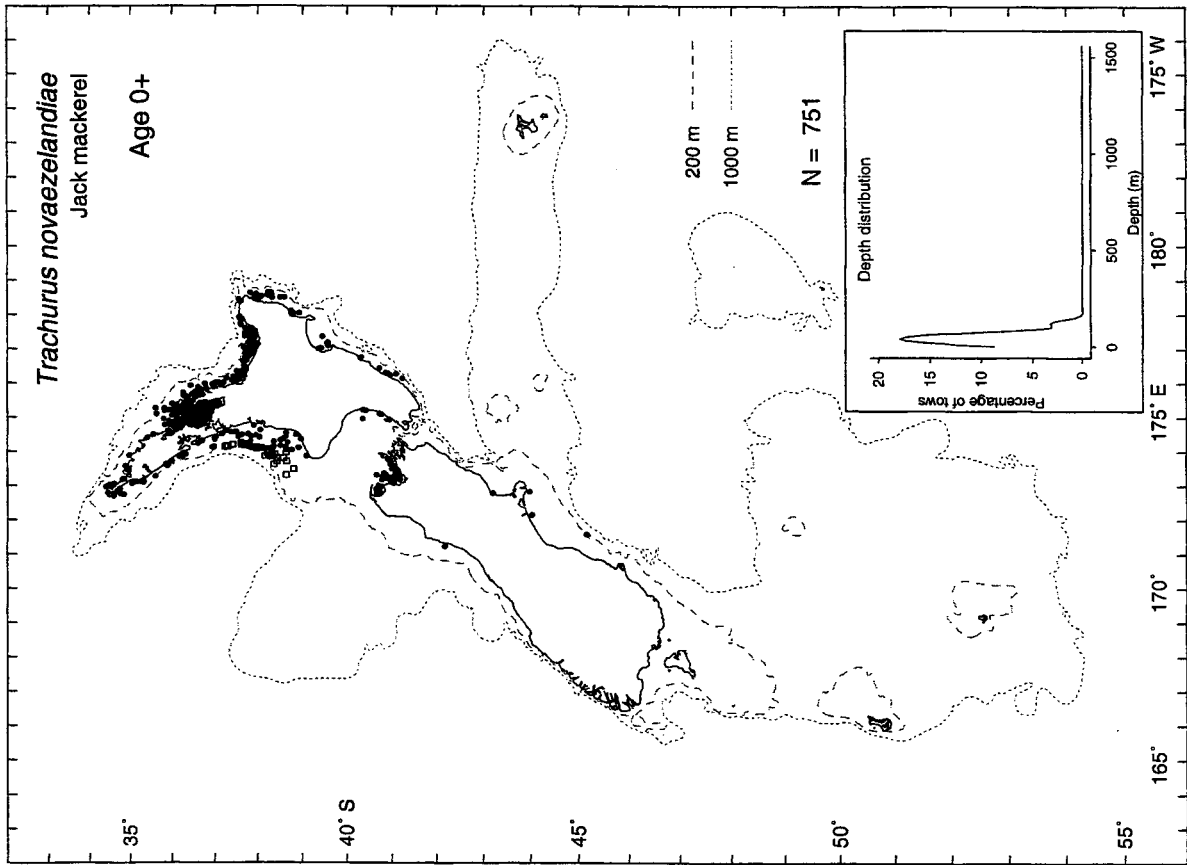
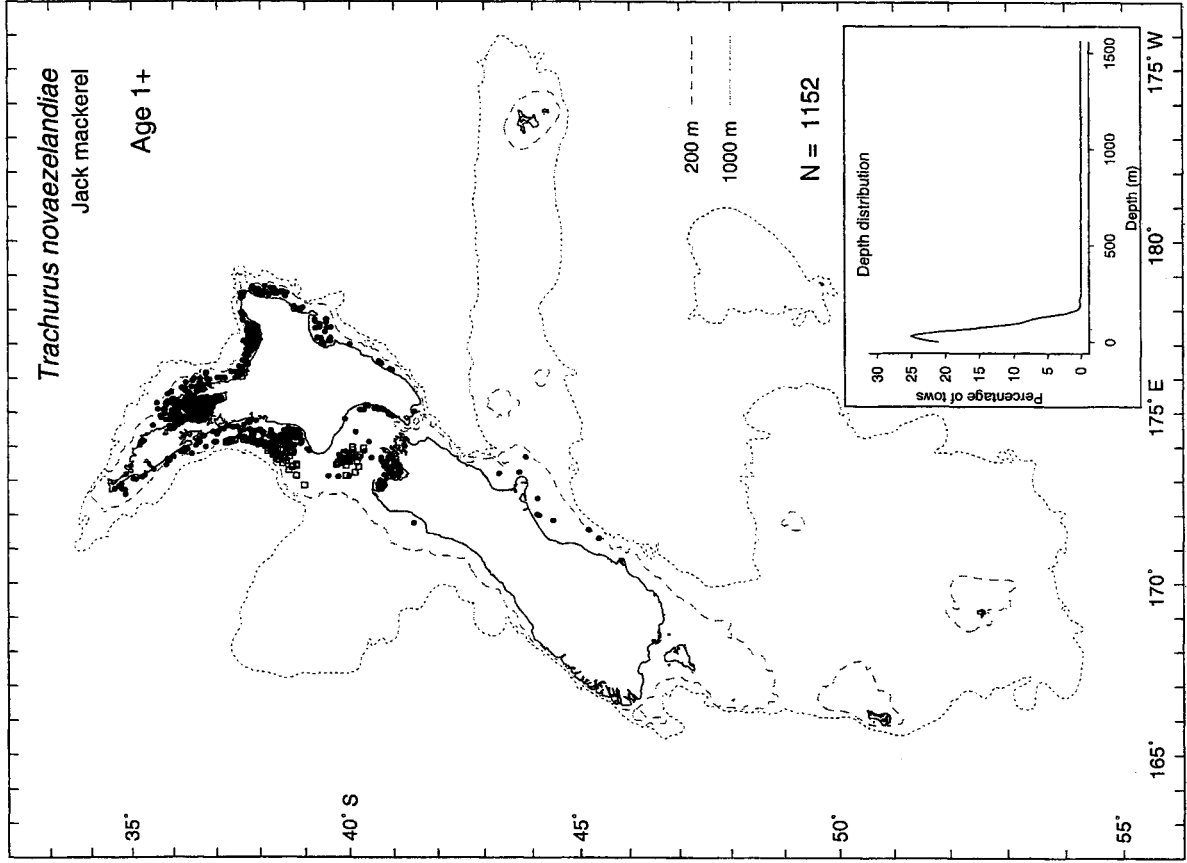


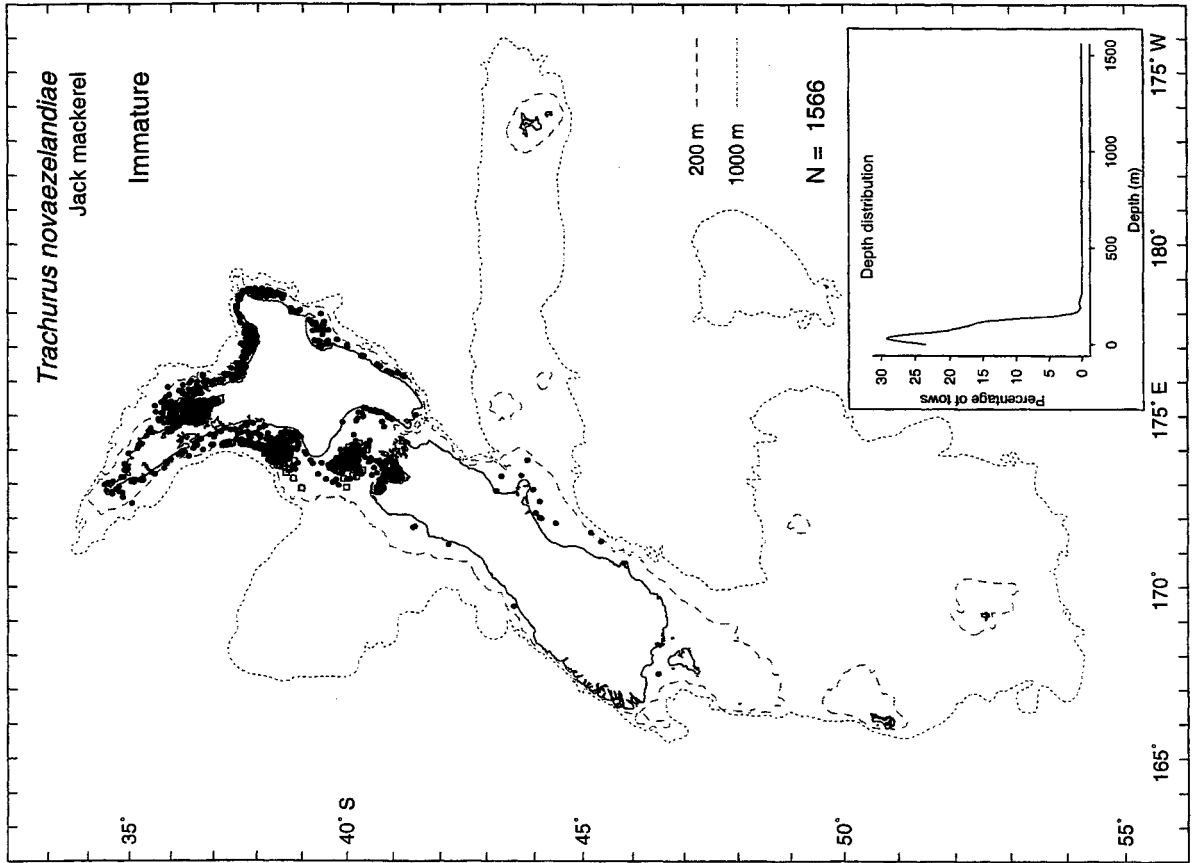
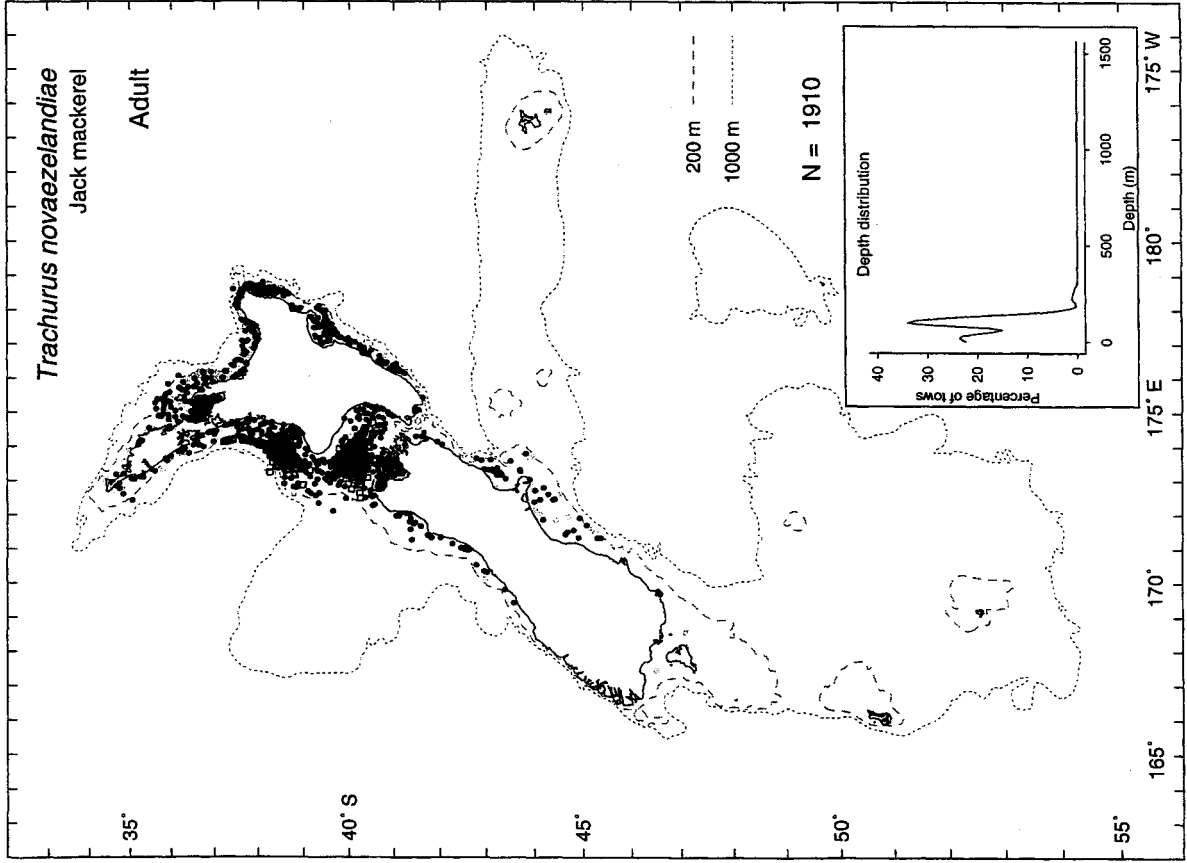


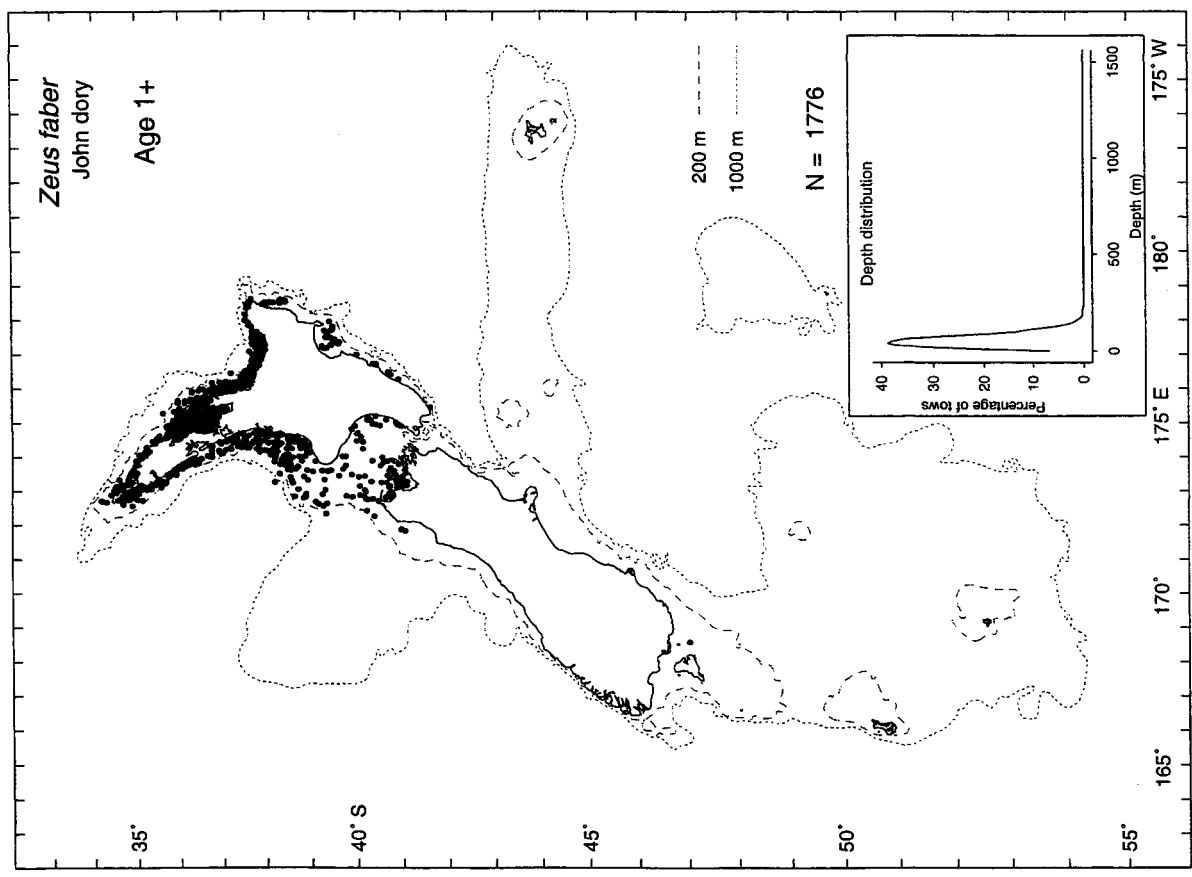
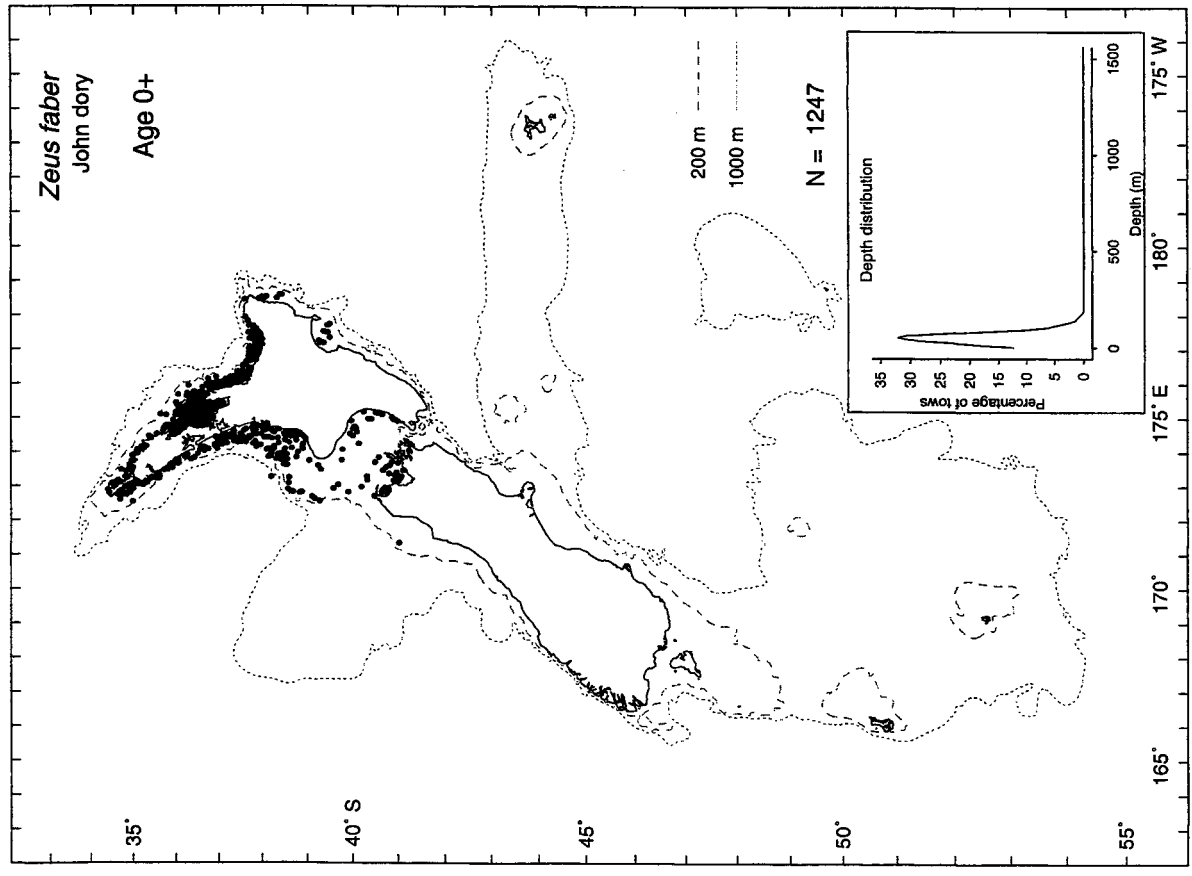
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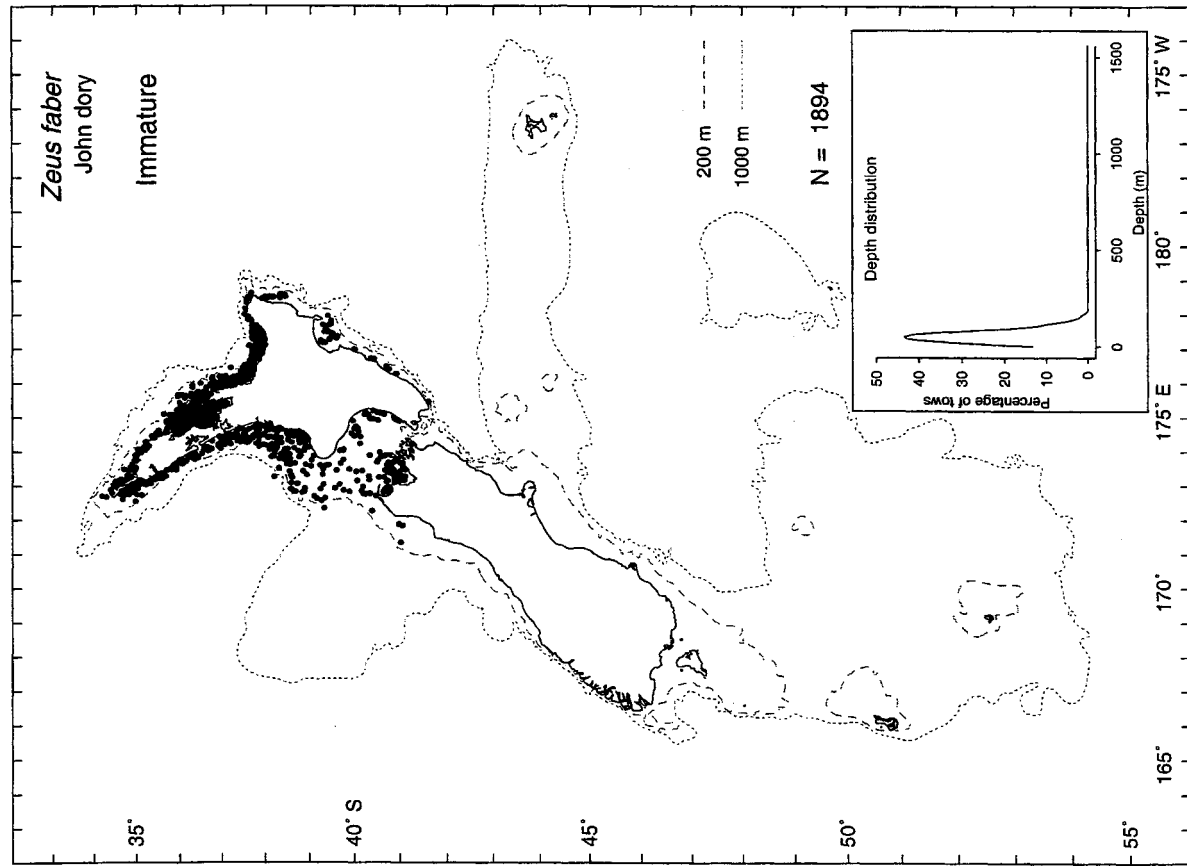
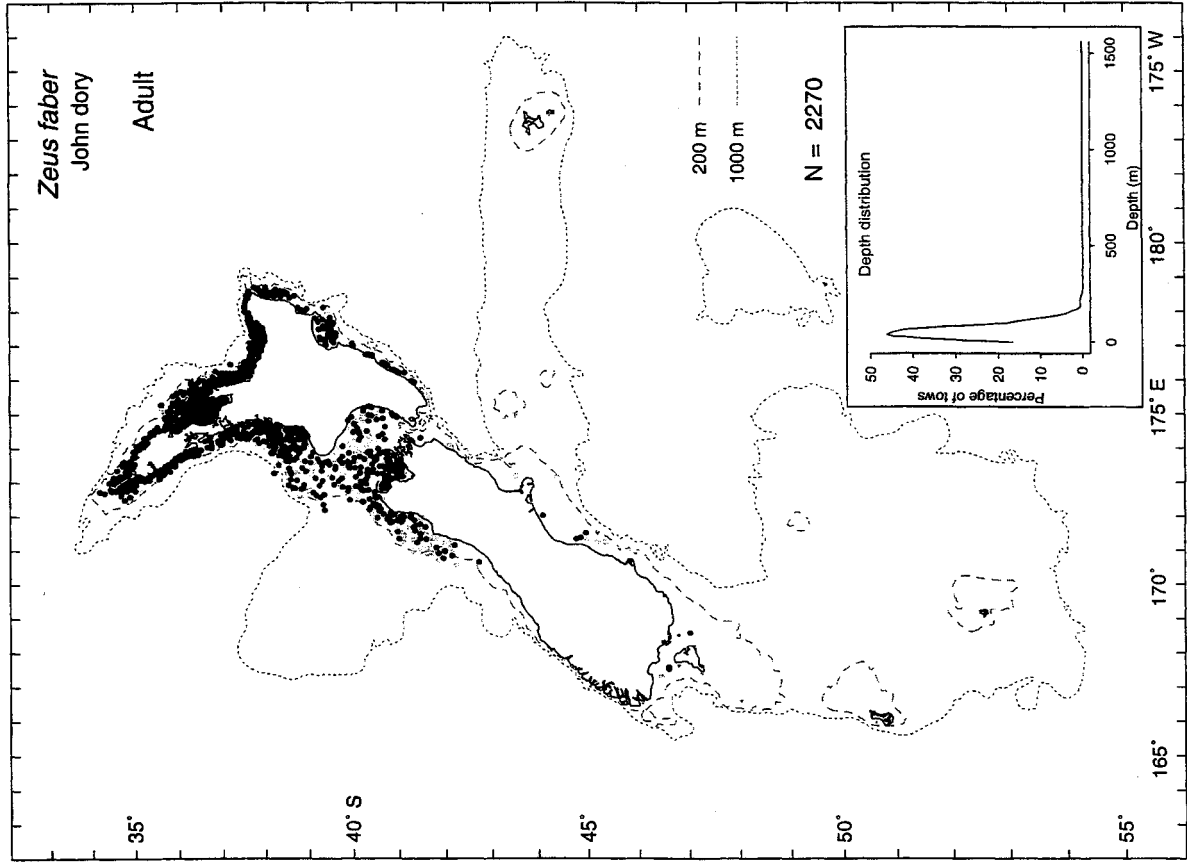


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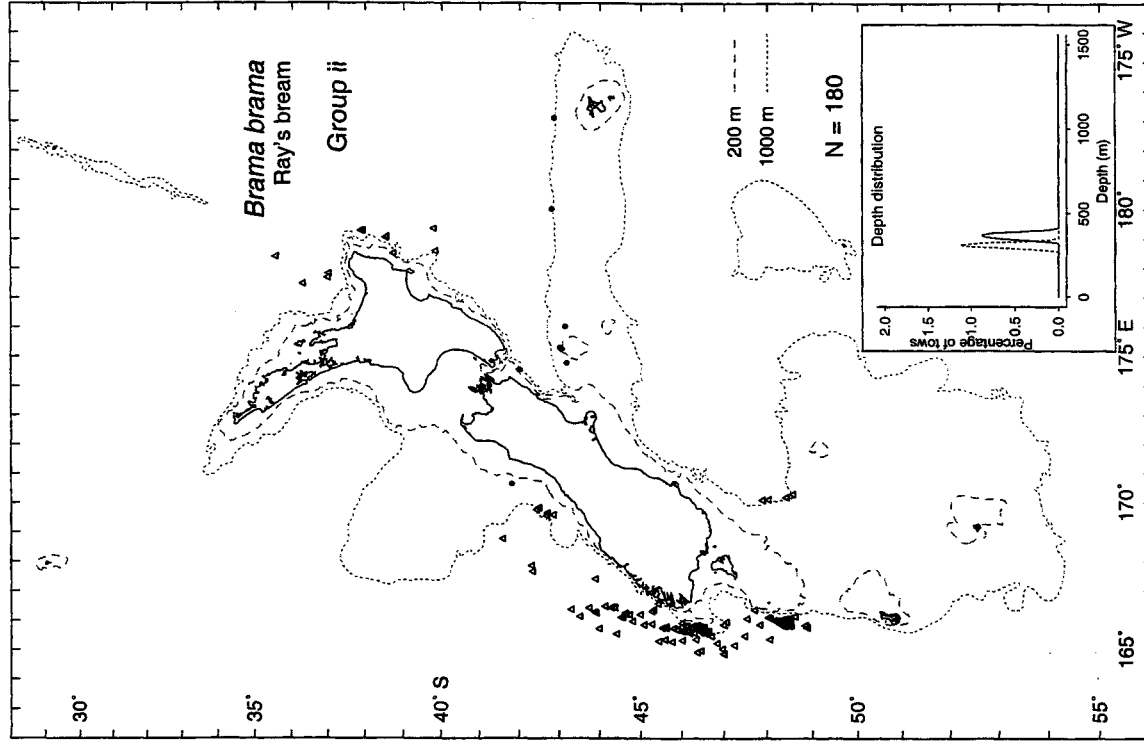
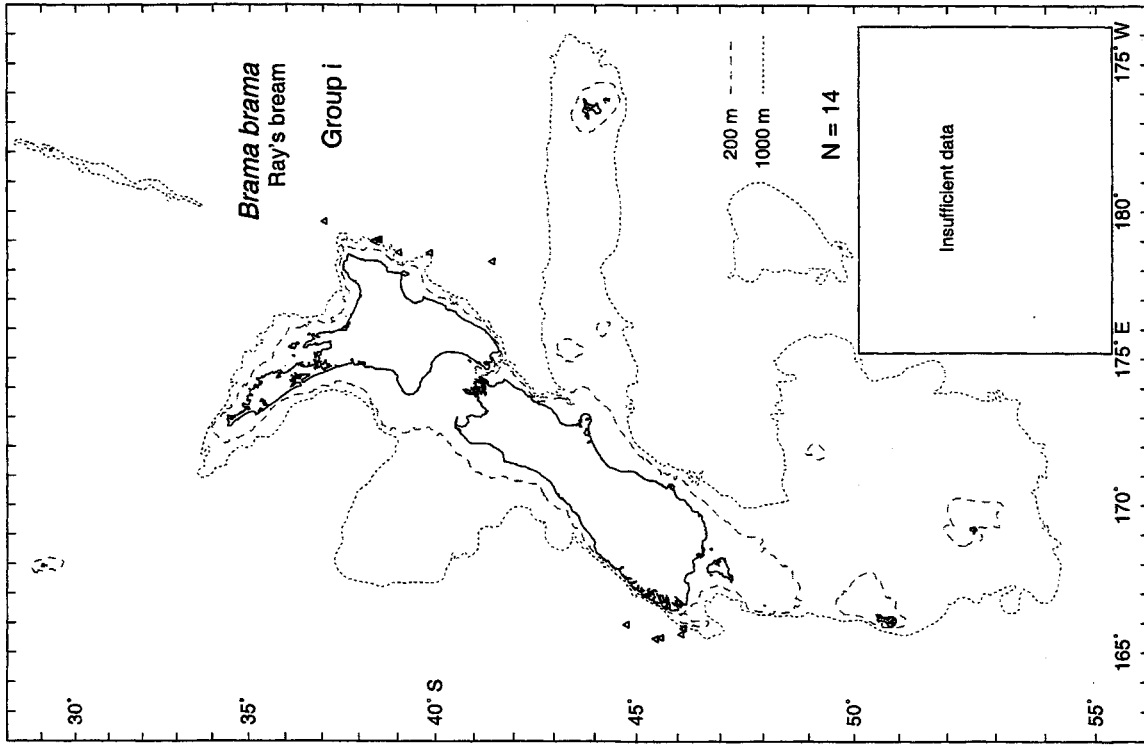




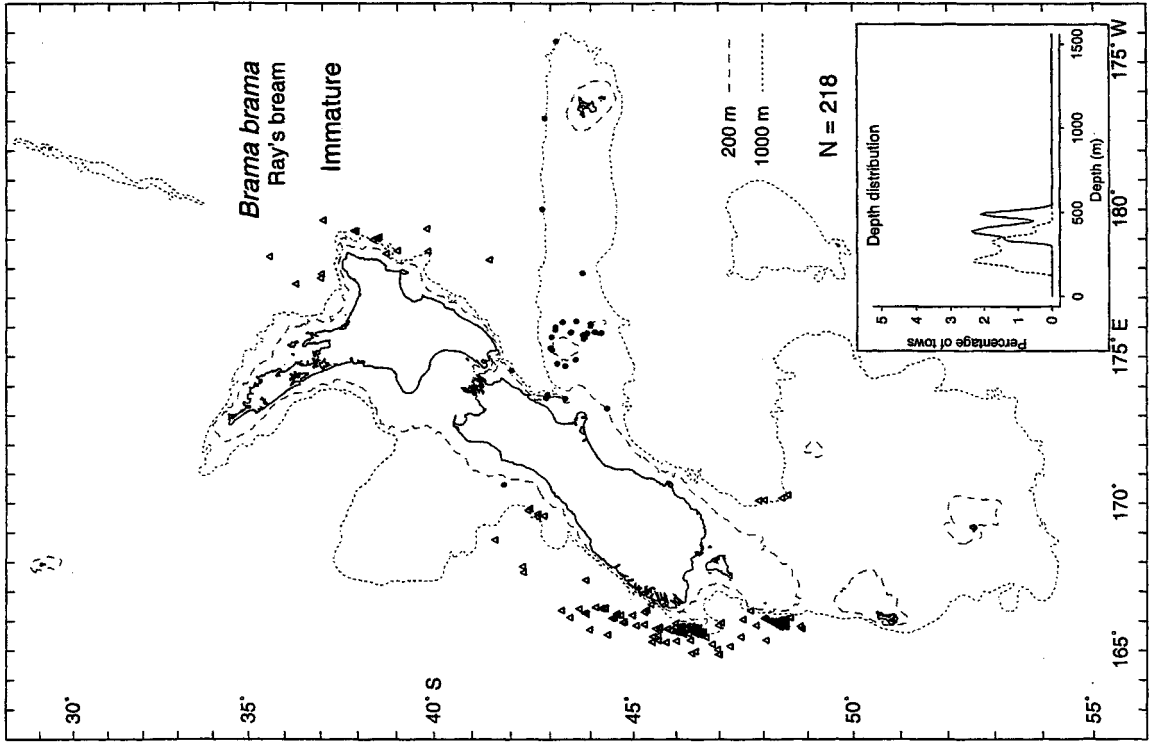
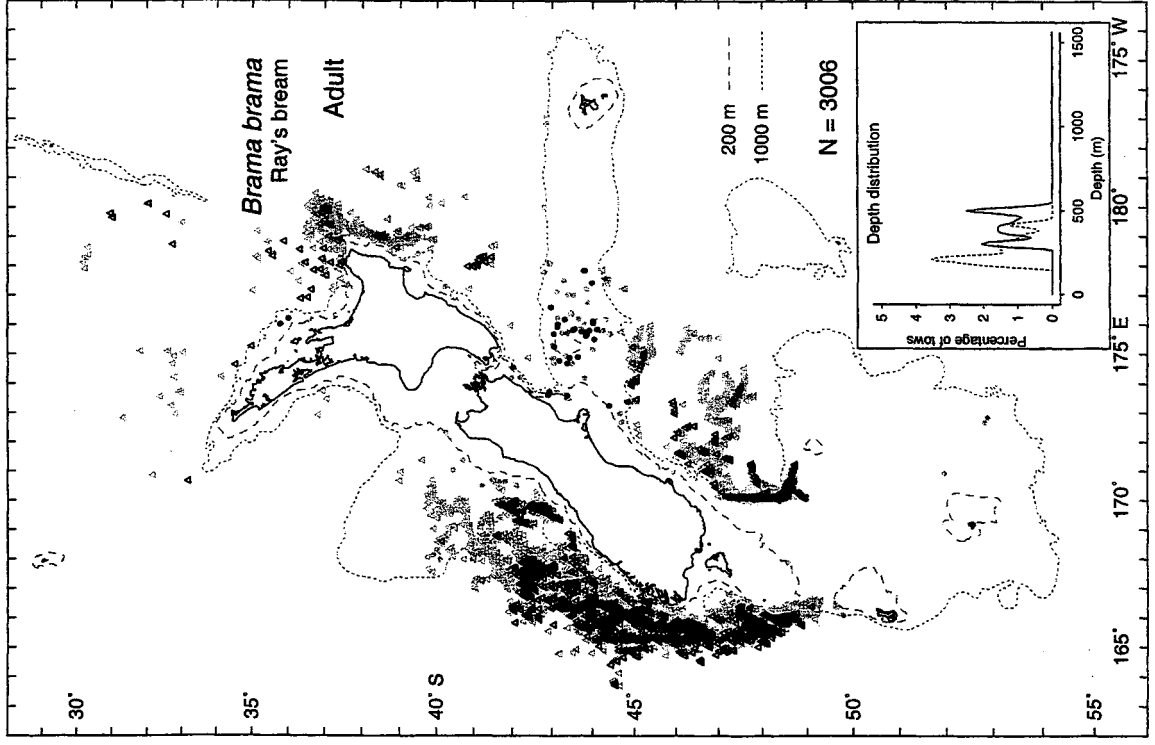
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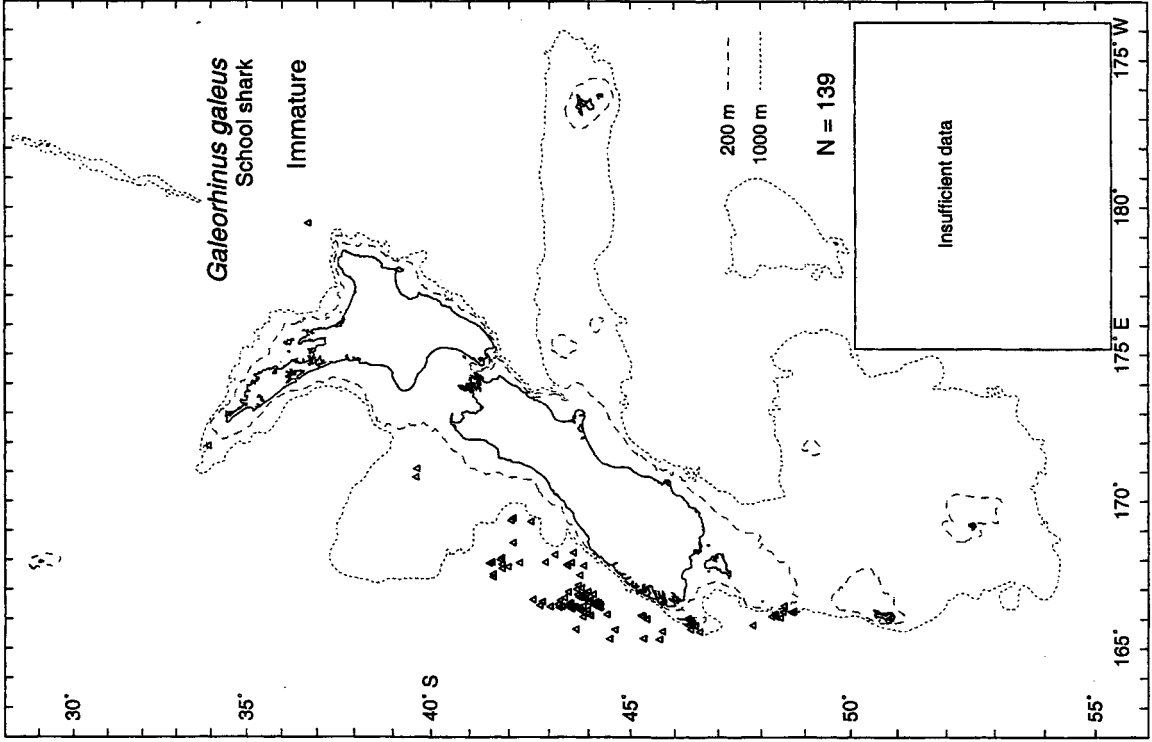
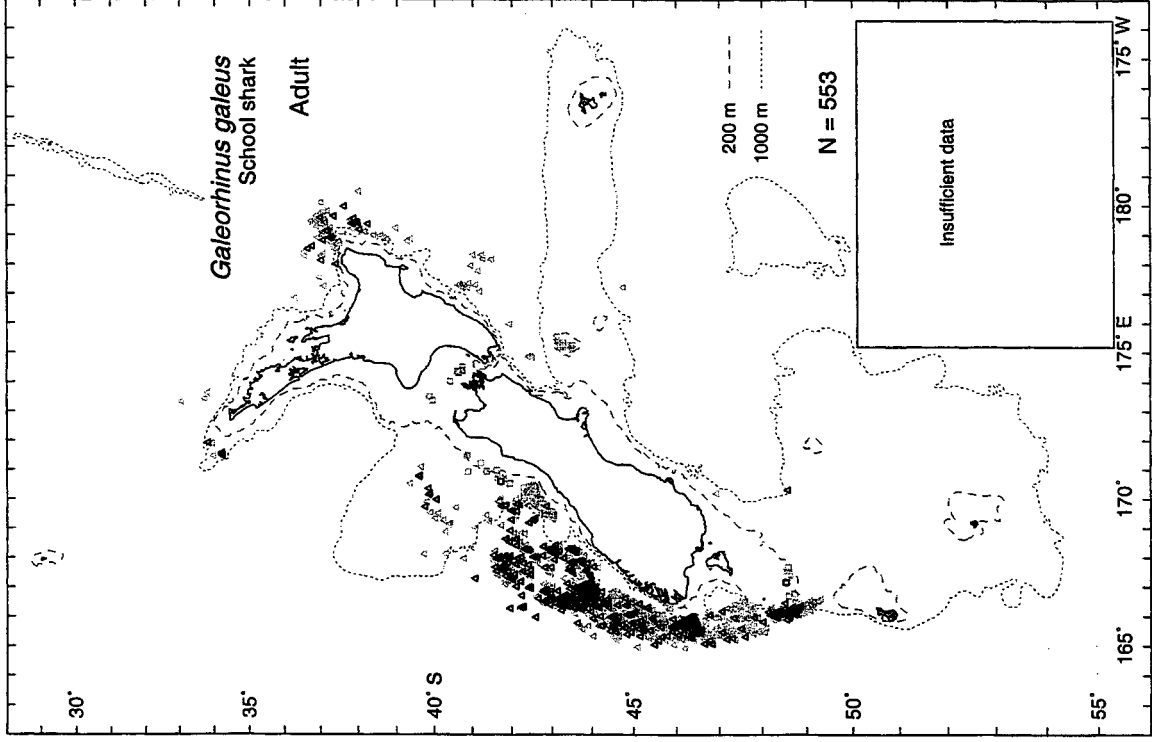
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- Grey Position where the species occurs

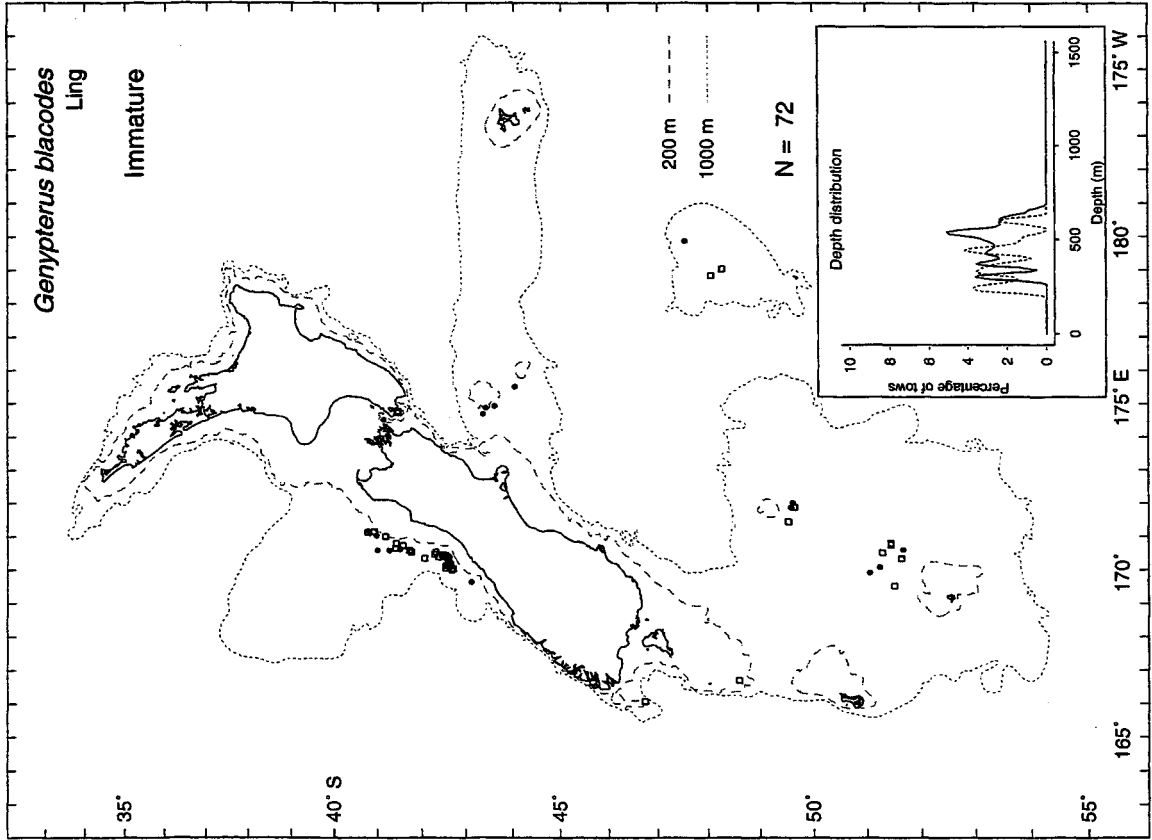
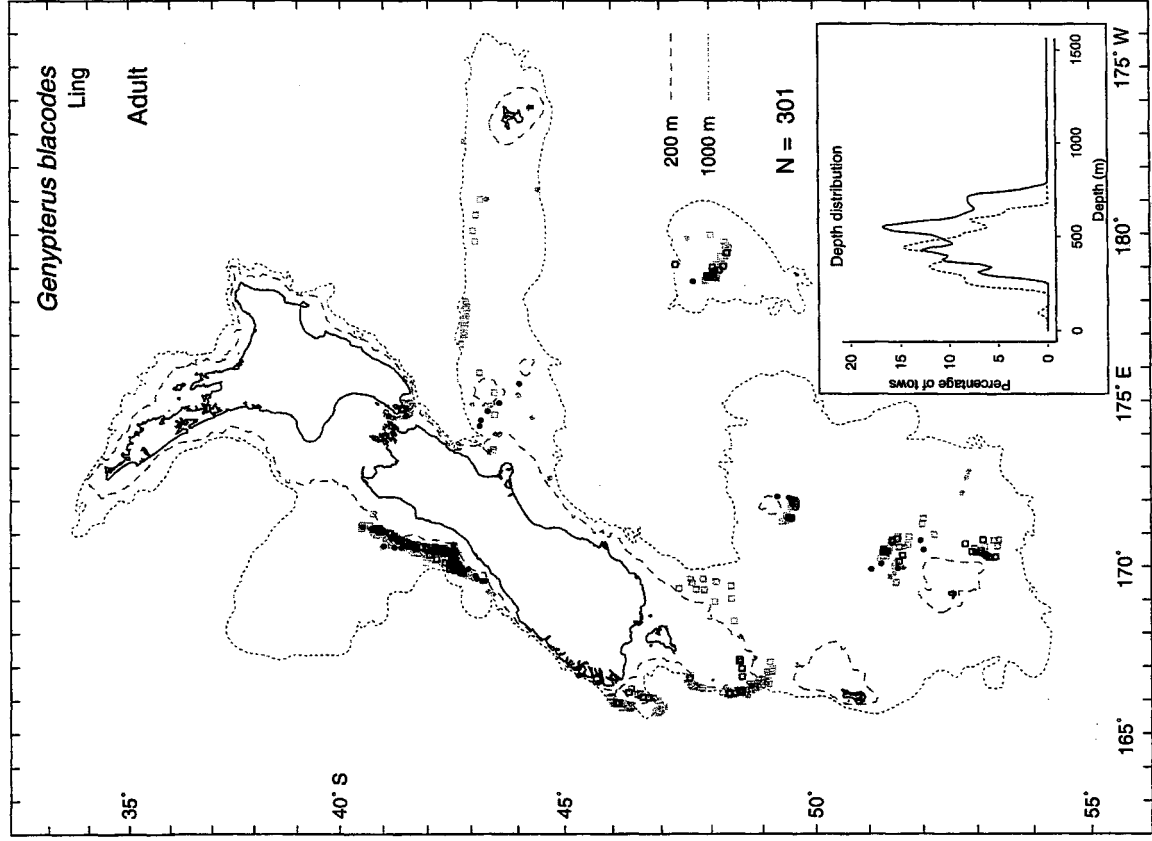


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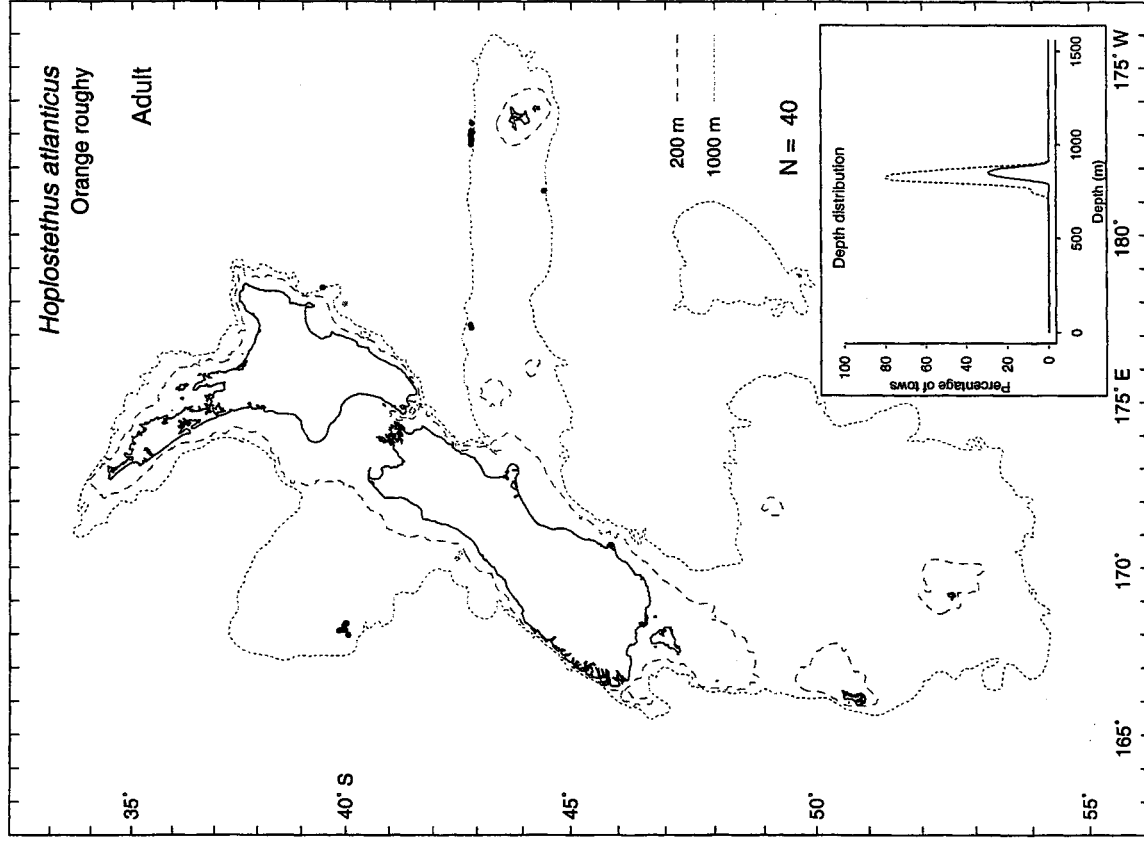
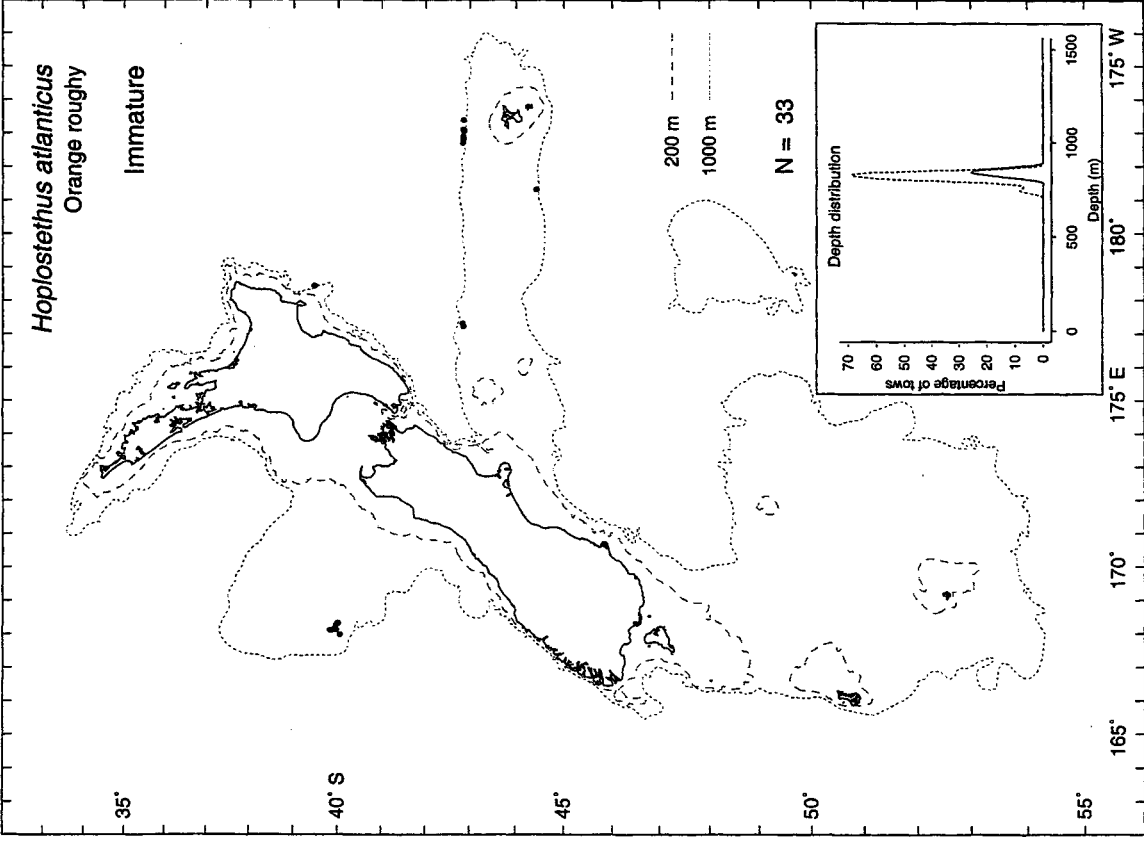


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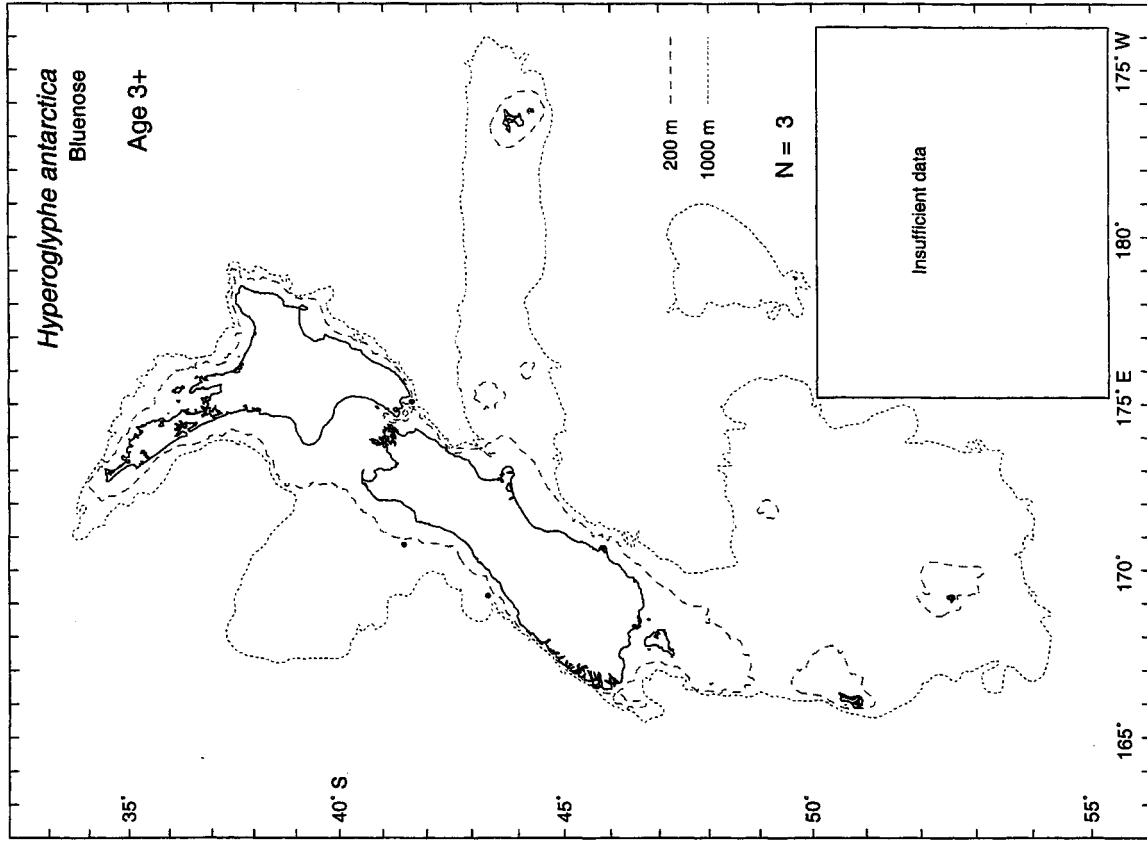
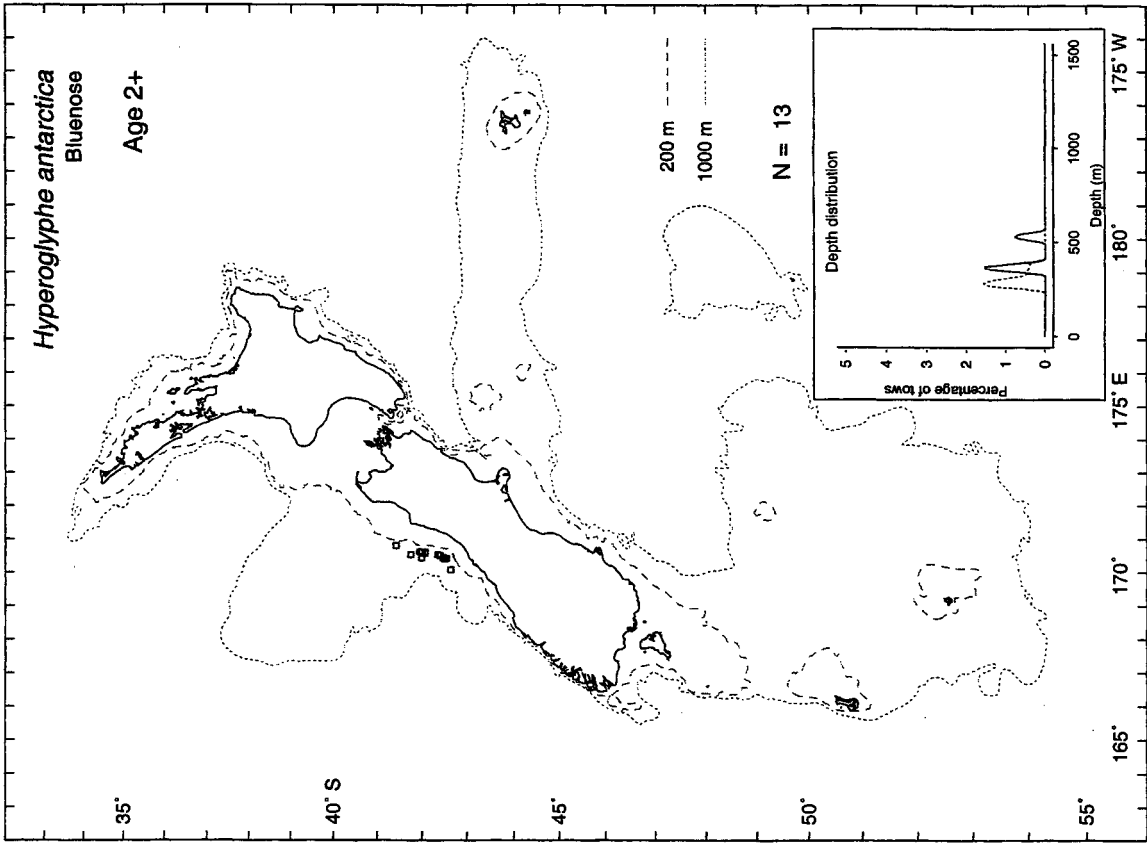


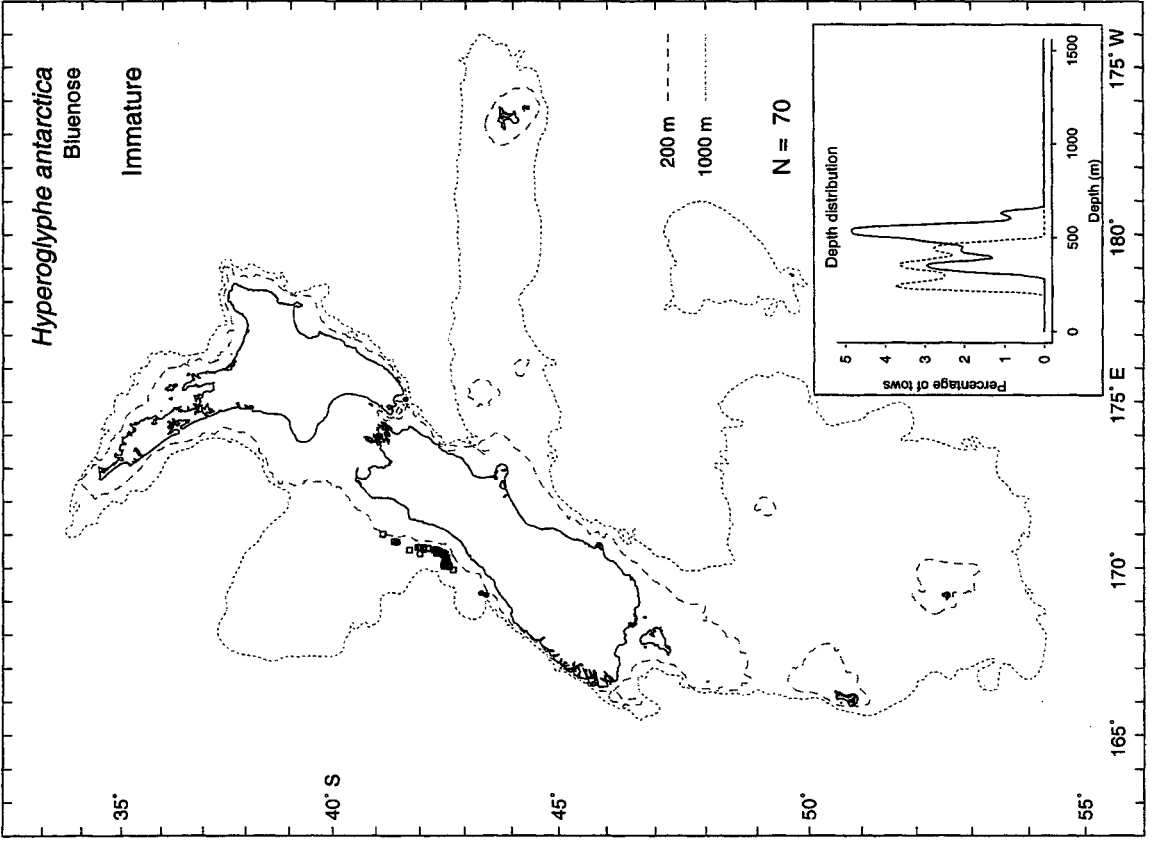
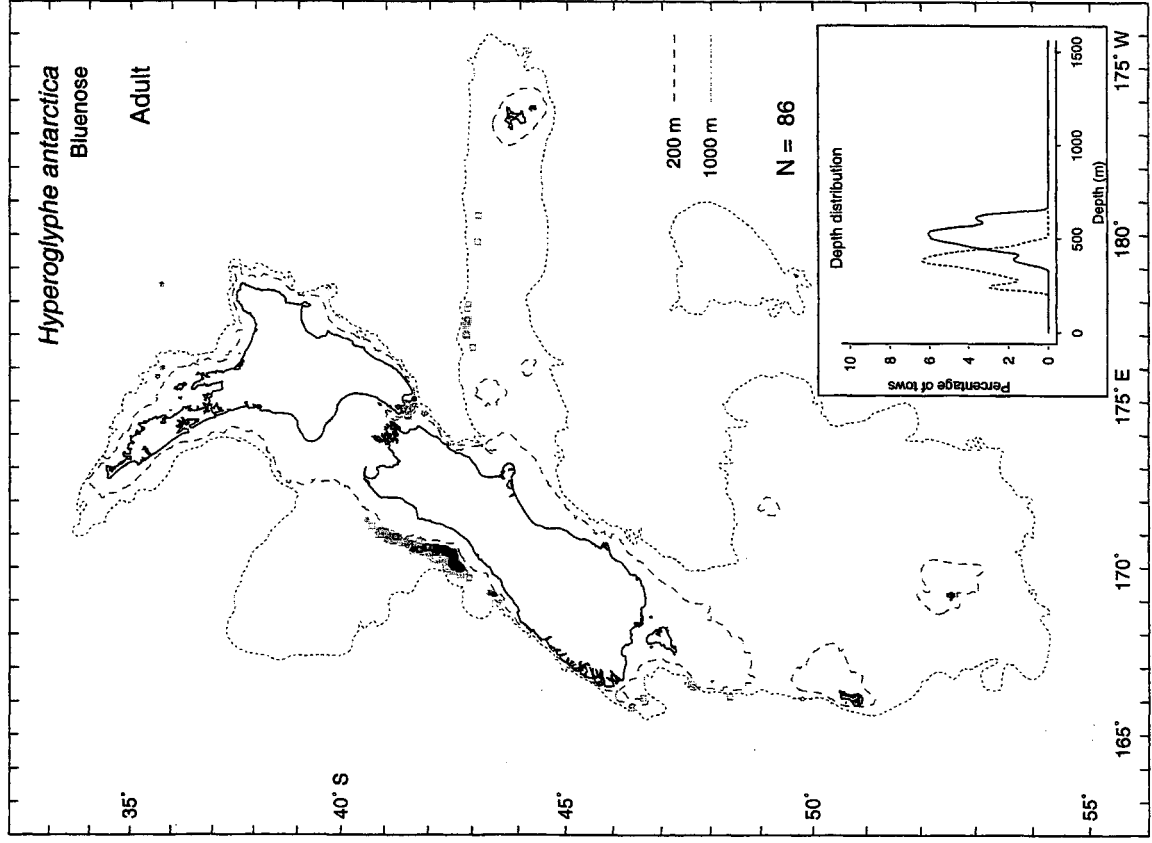
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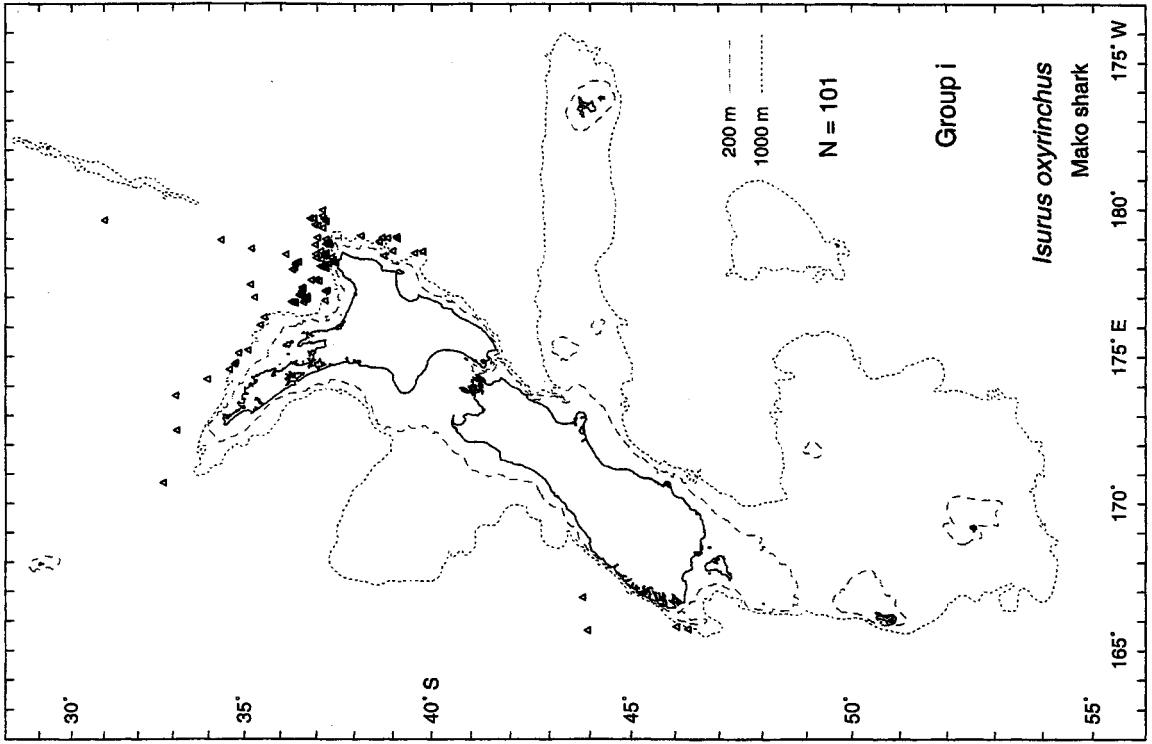
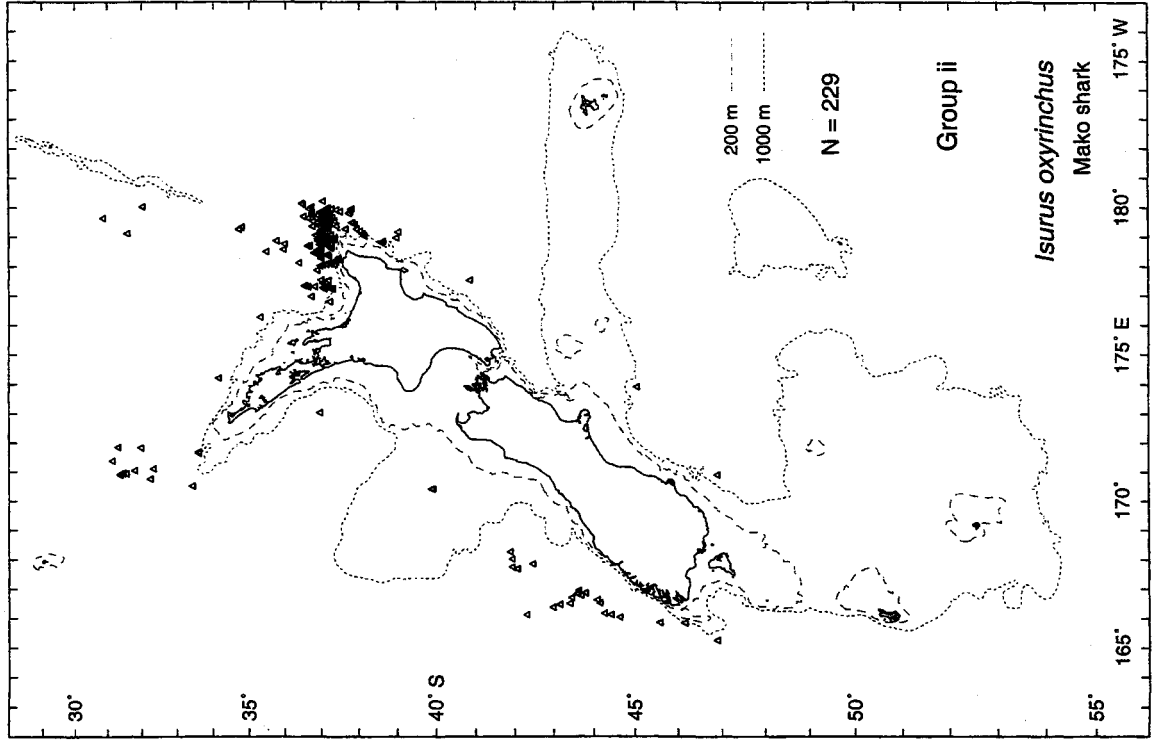
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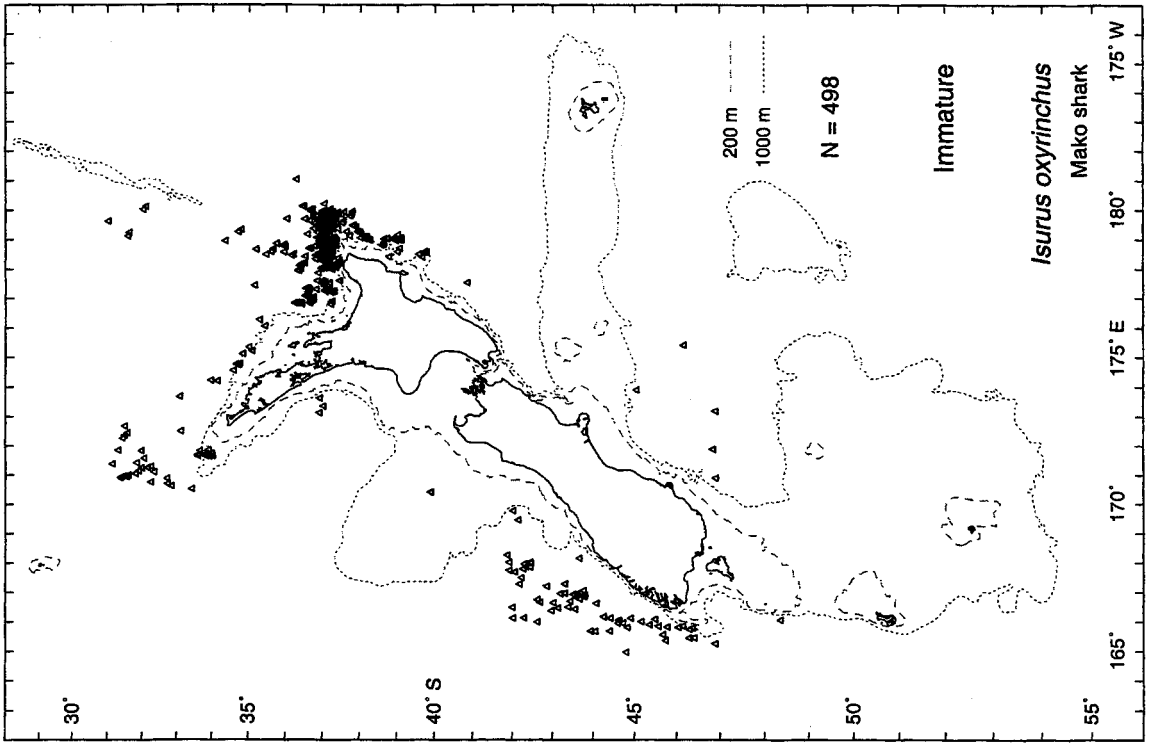
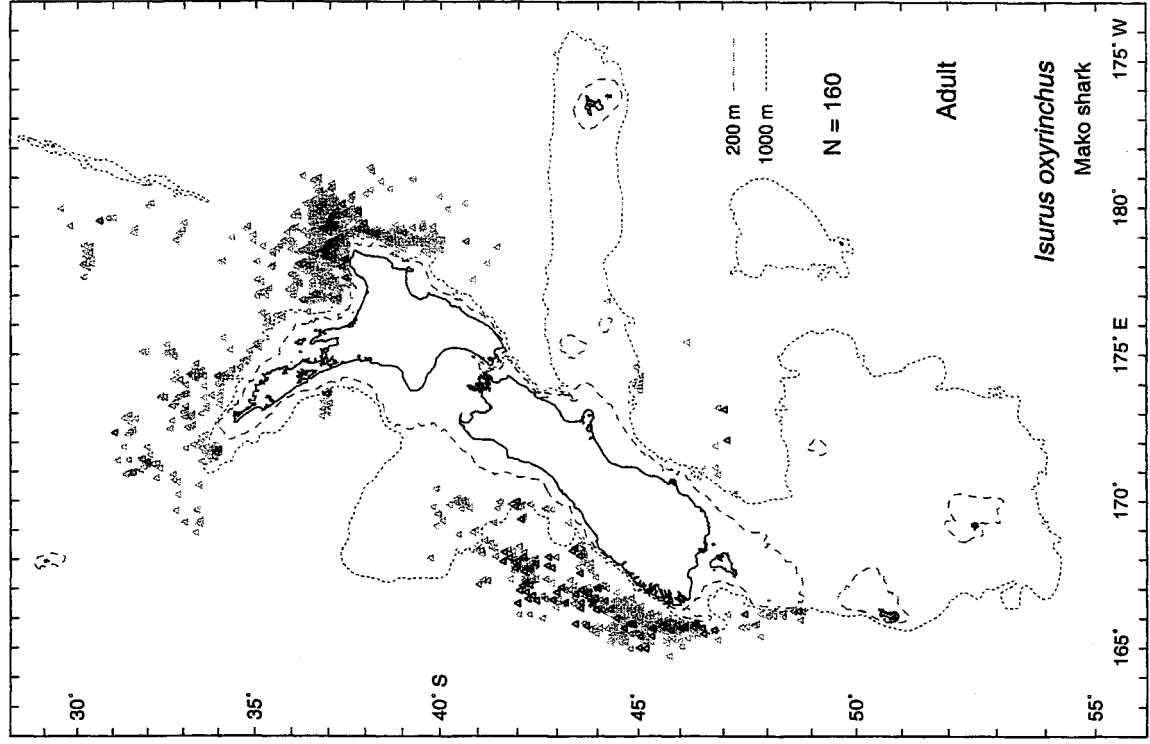
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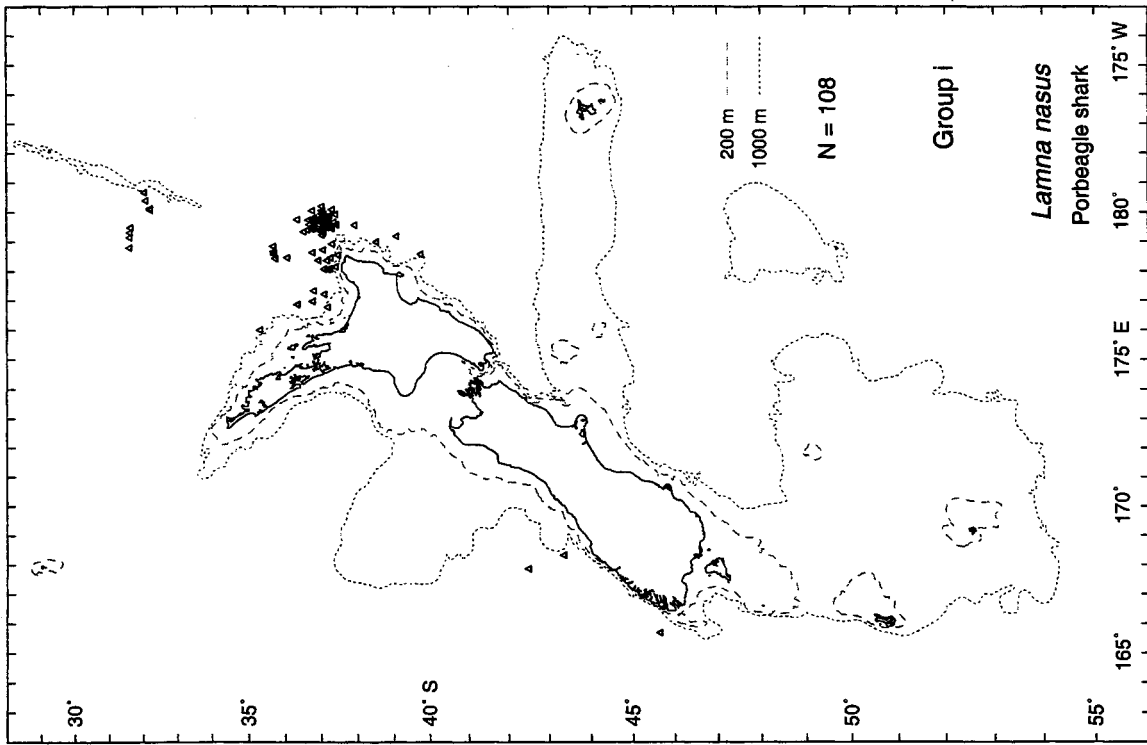
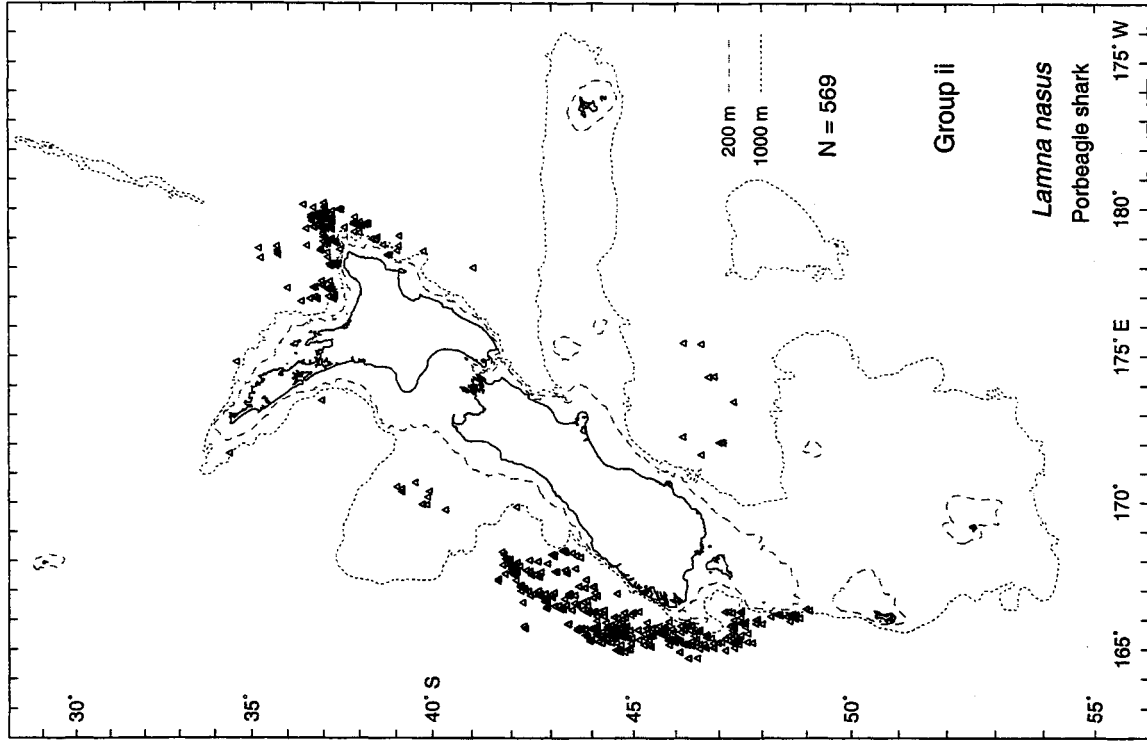




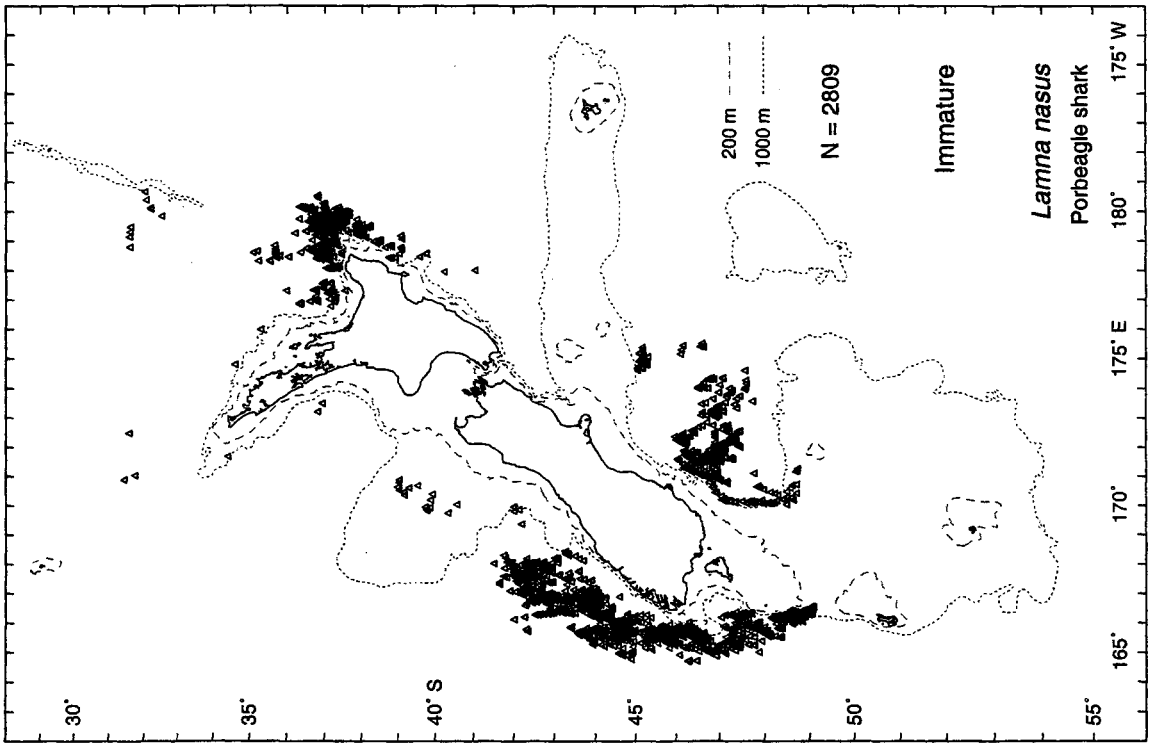
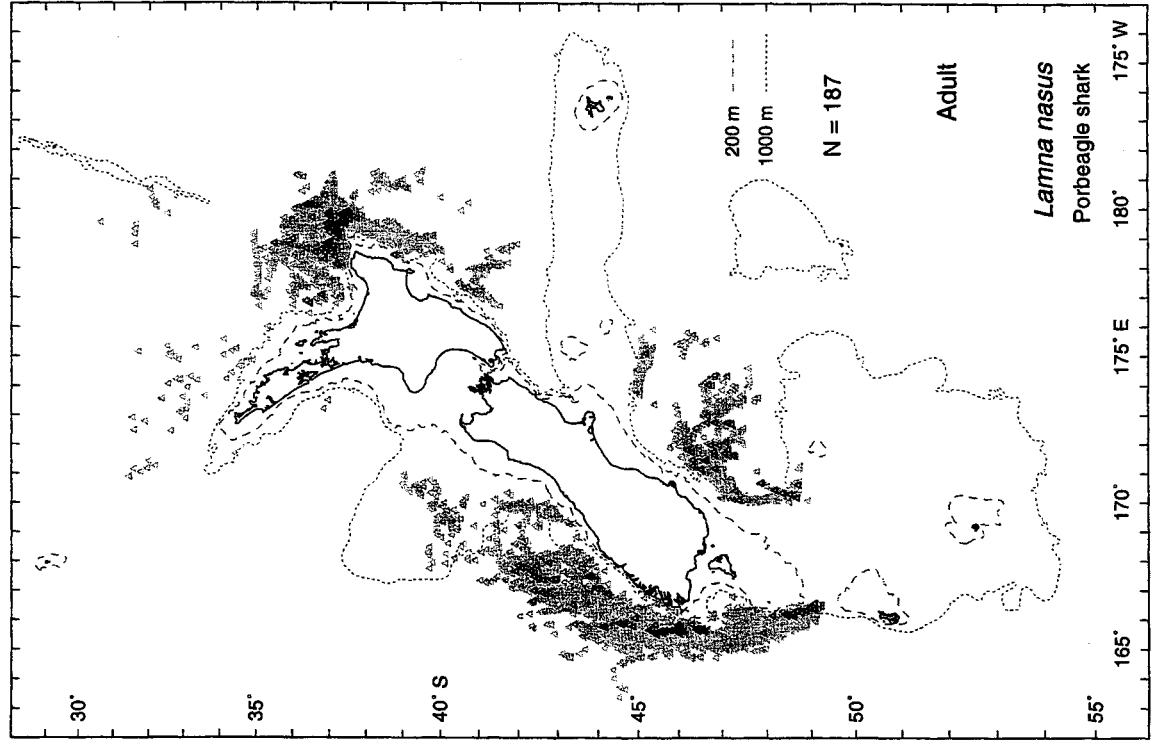


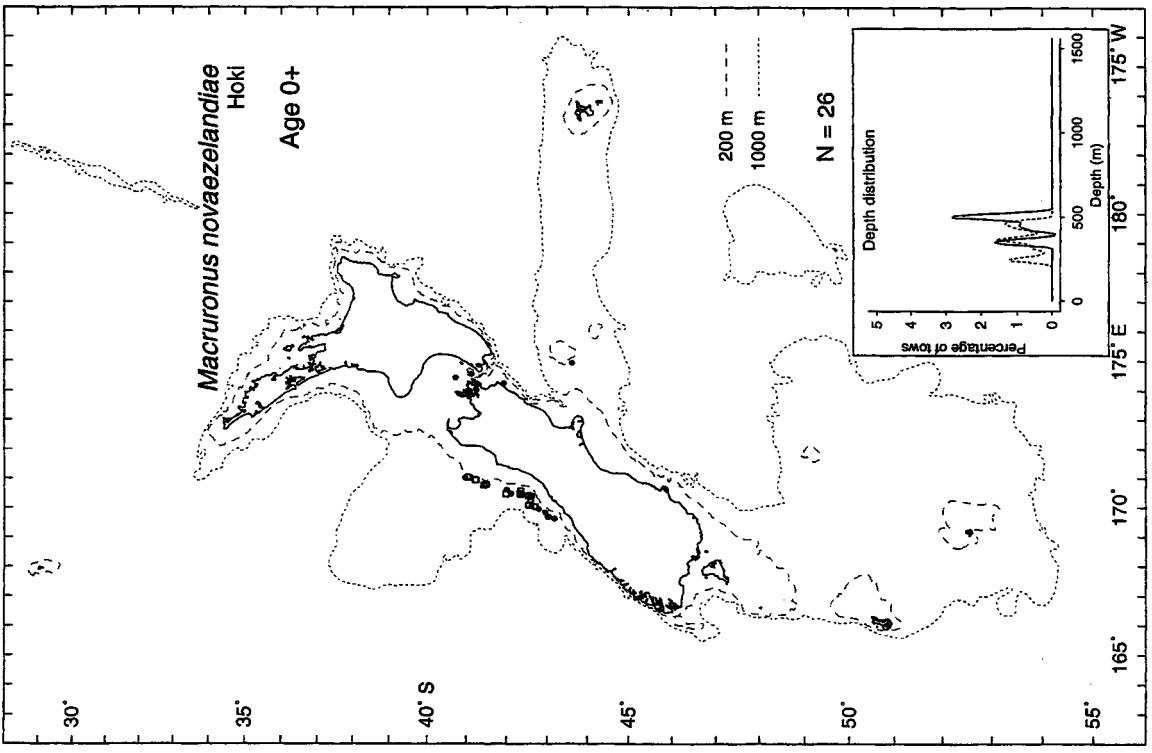
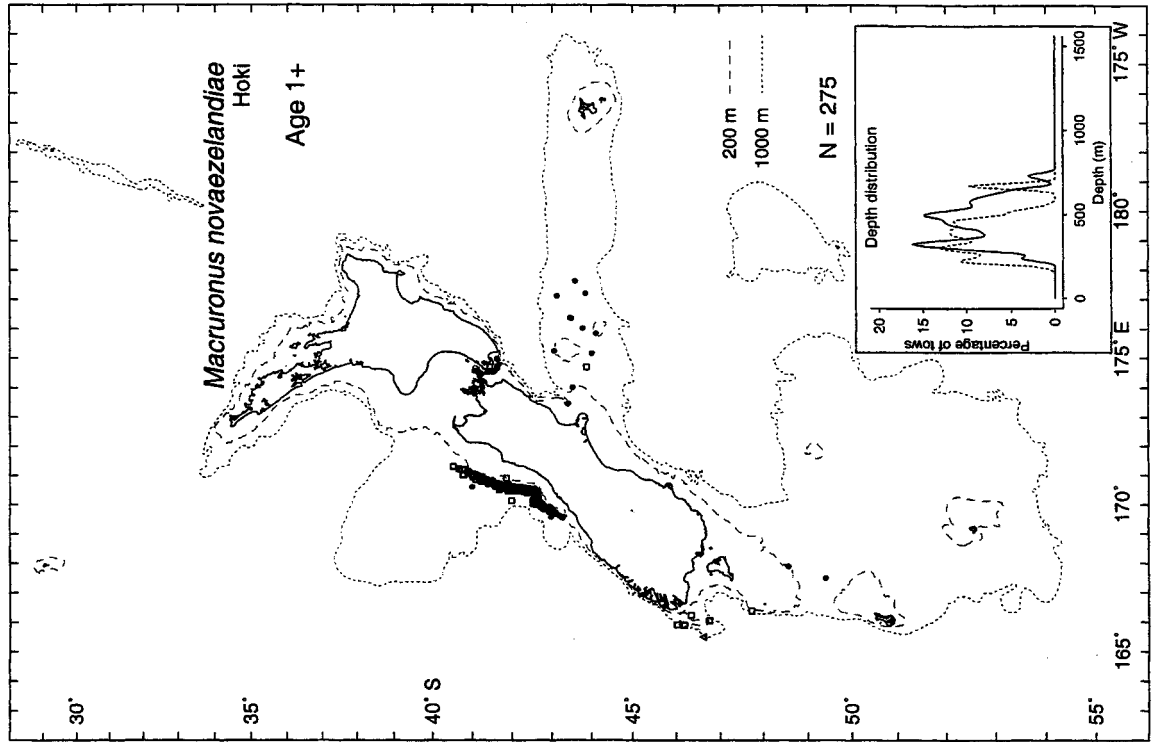
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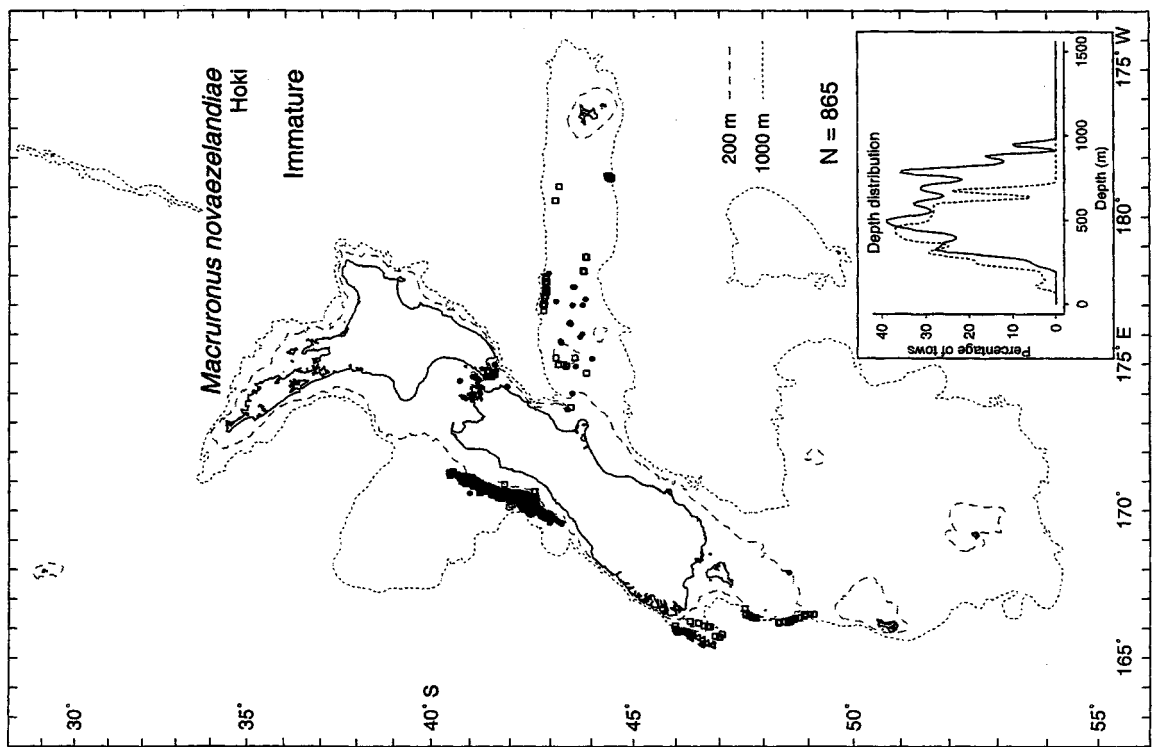
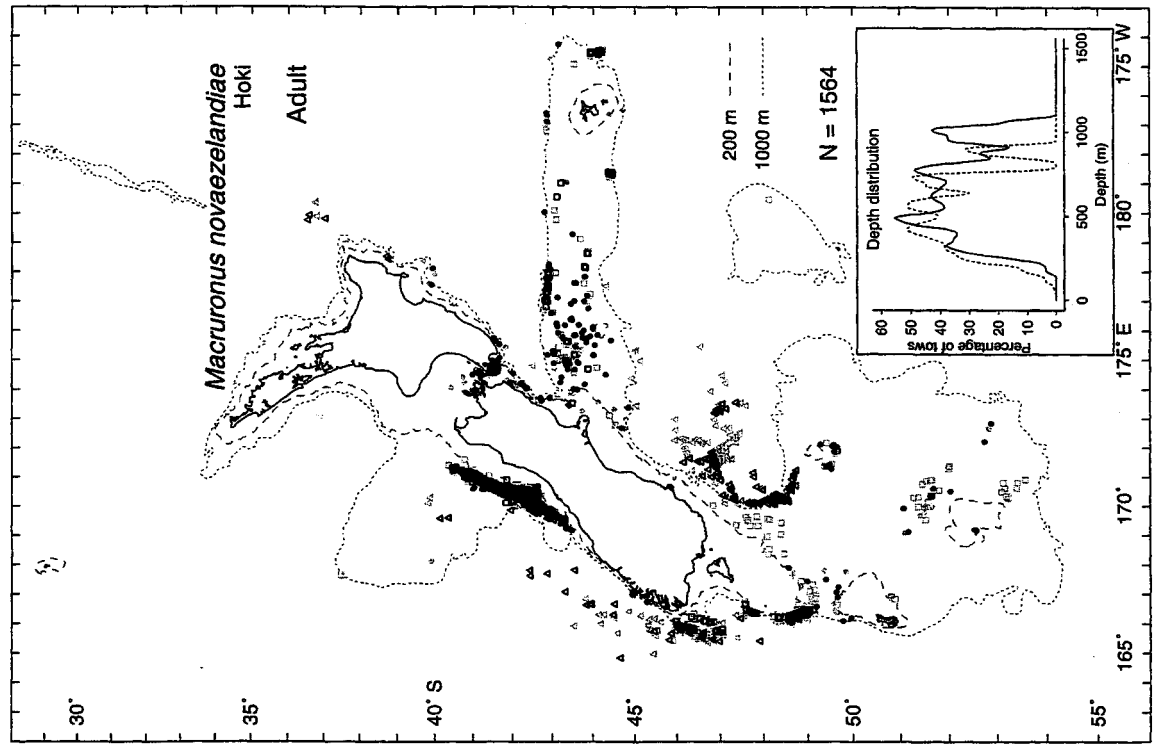


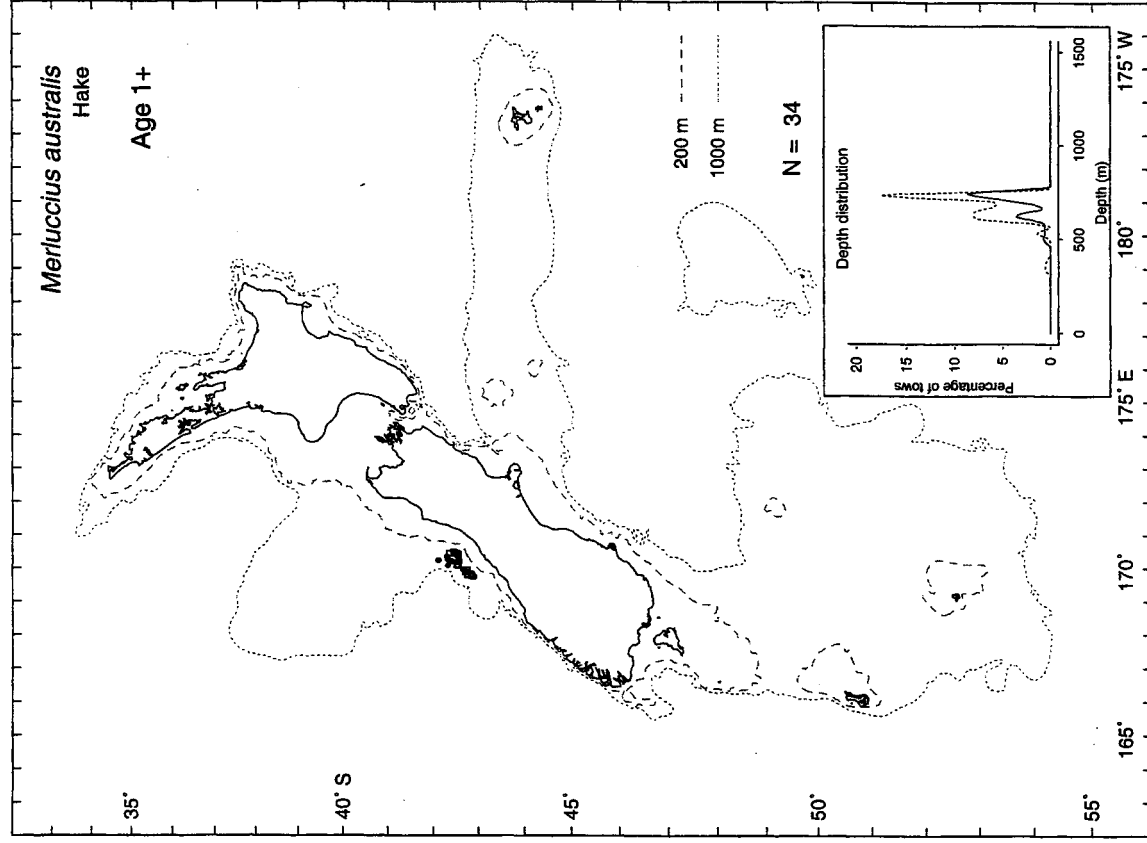
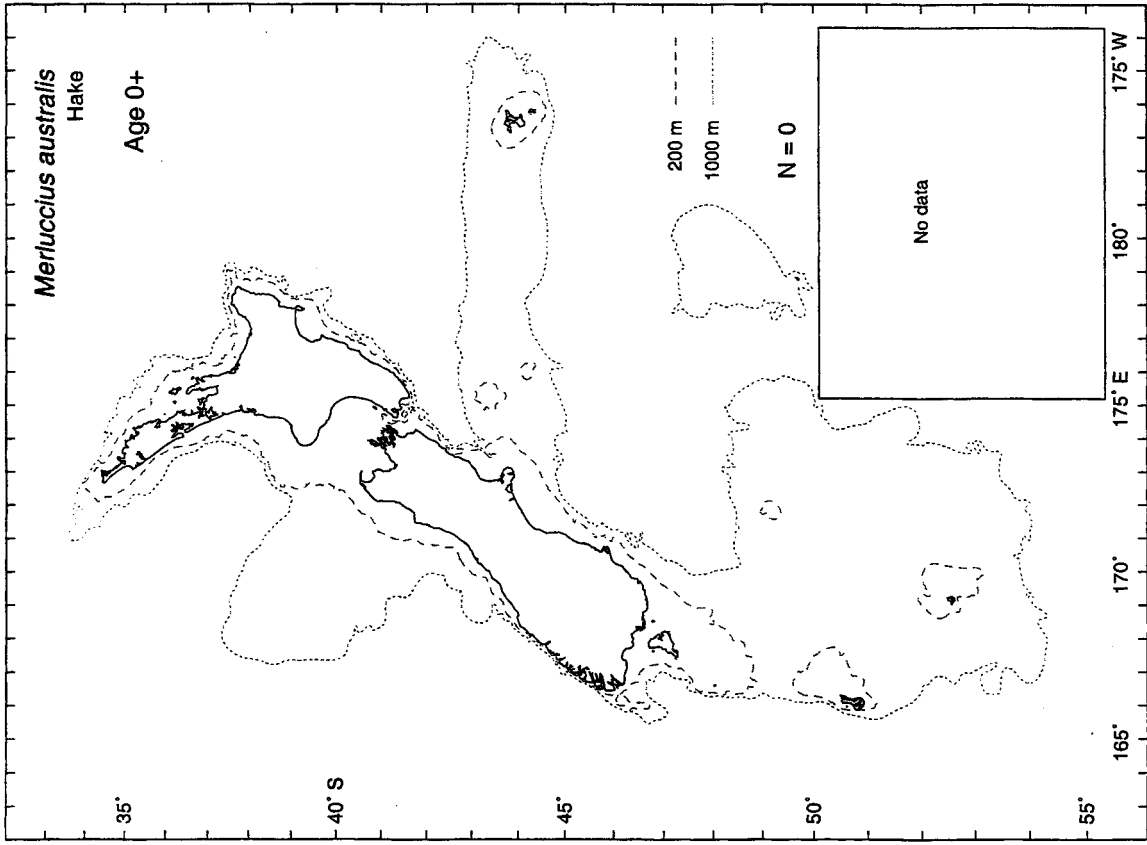


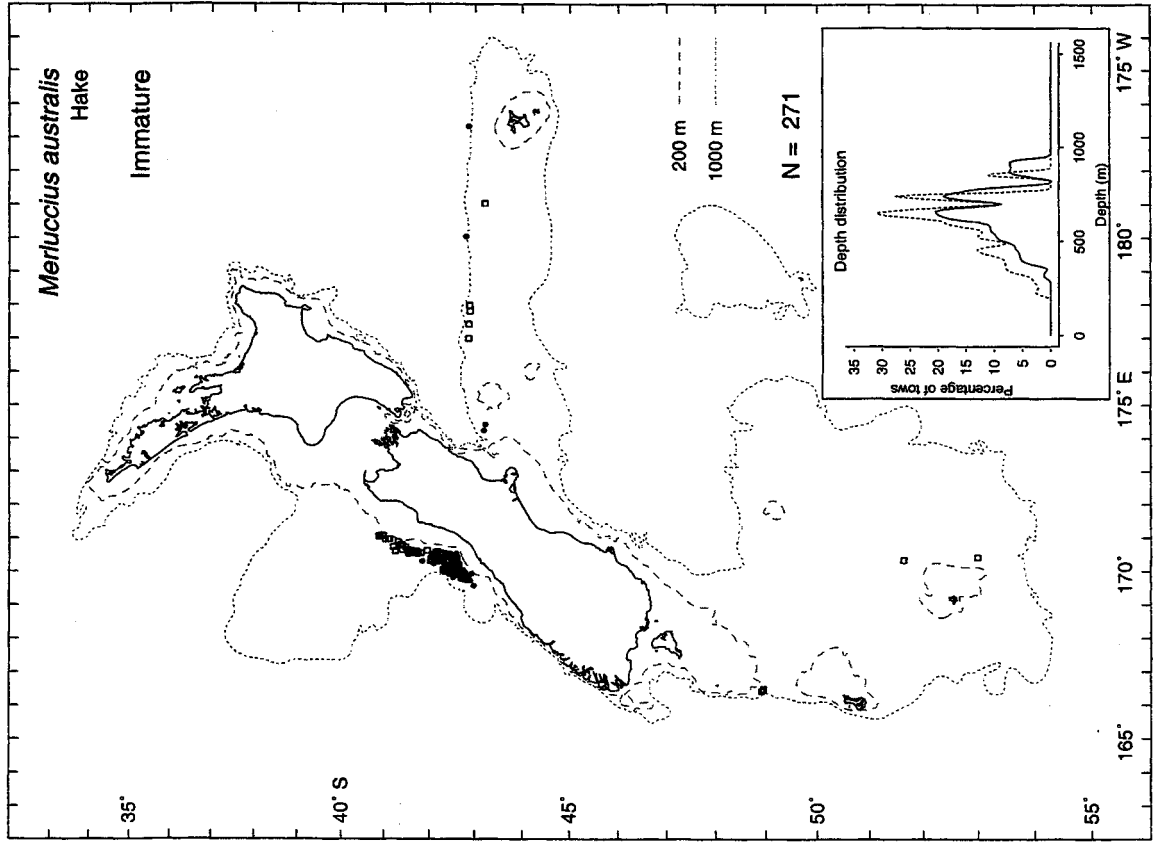
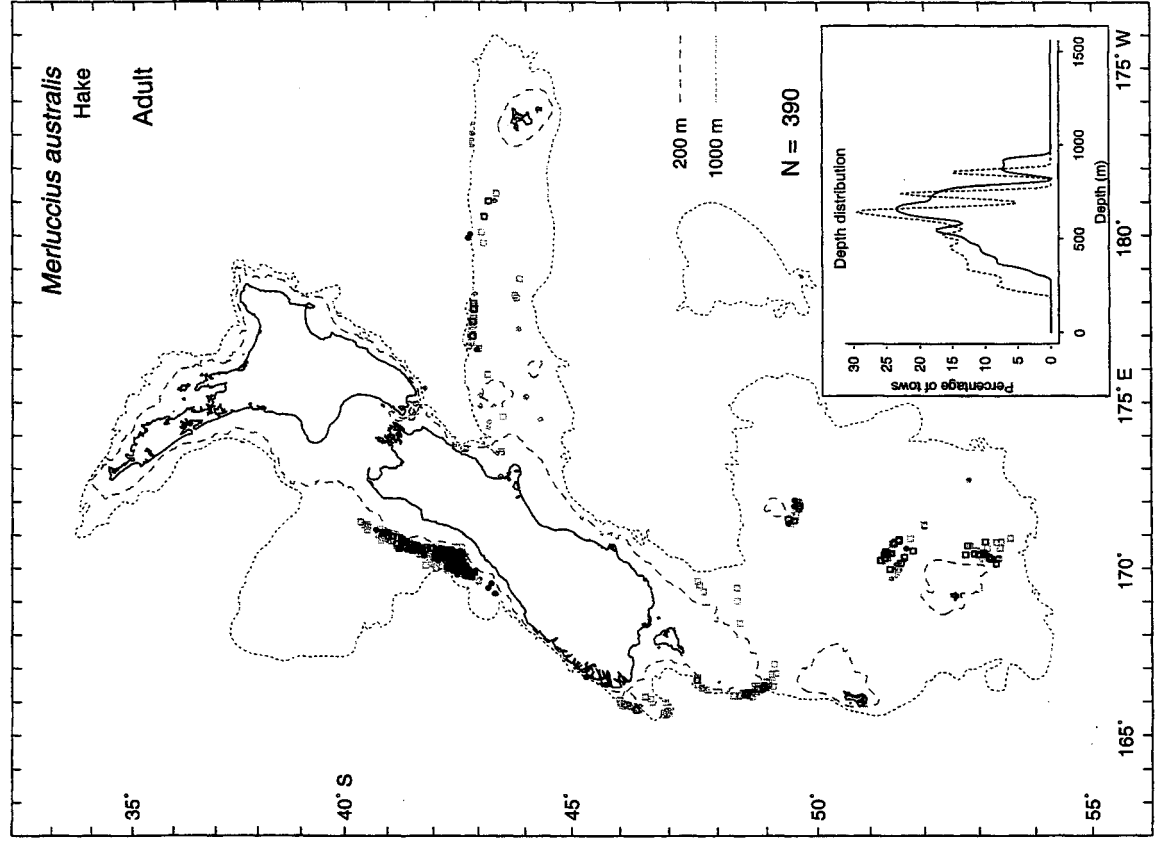
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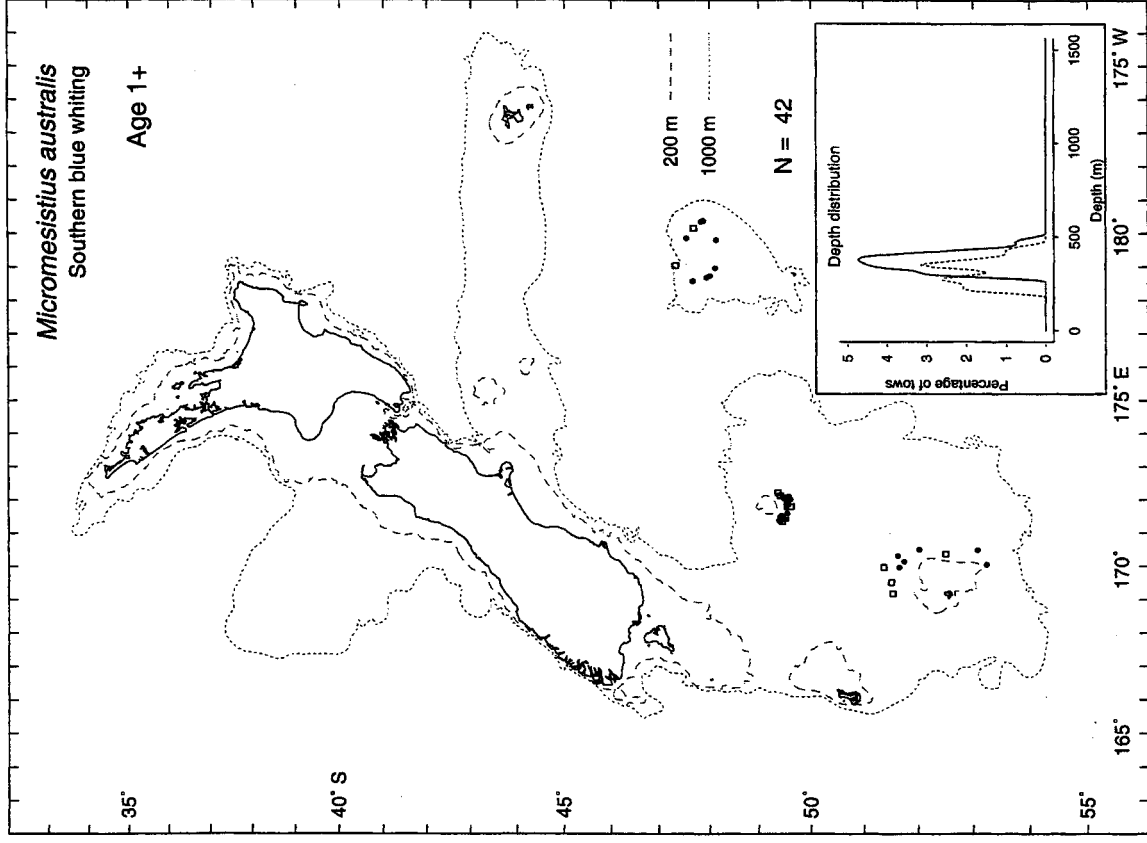
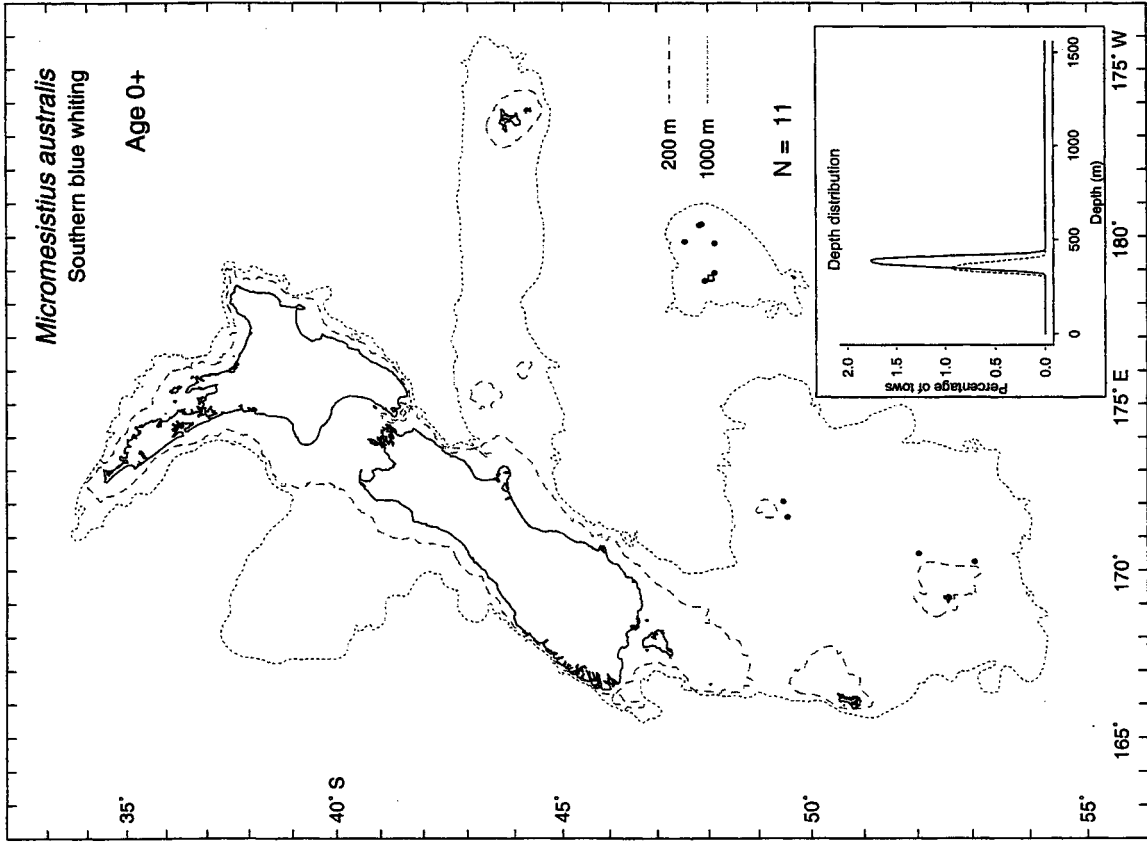


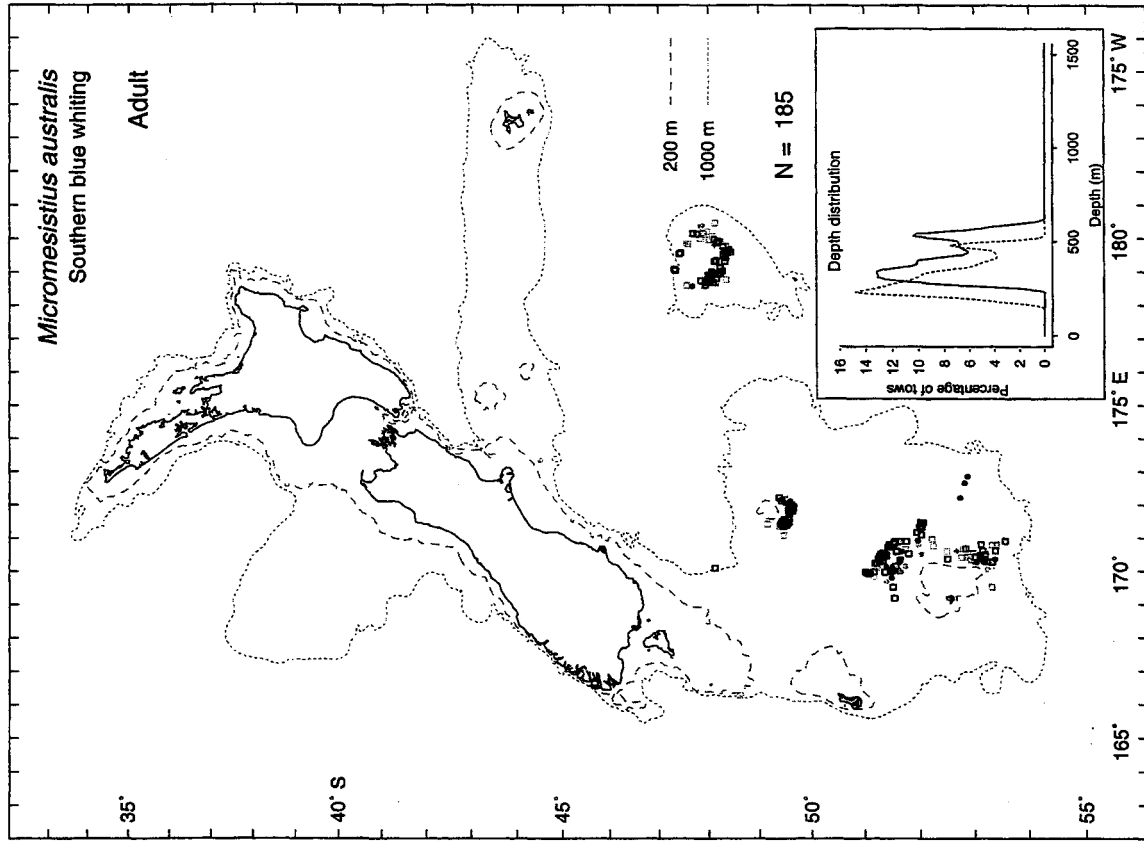
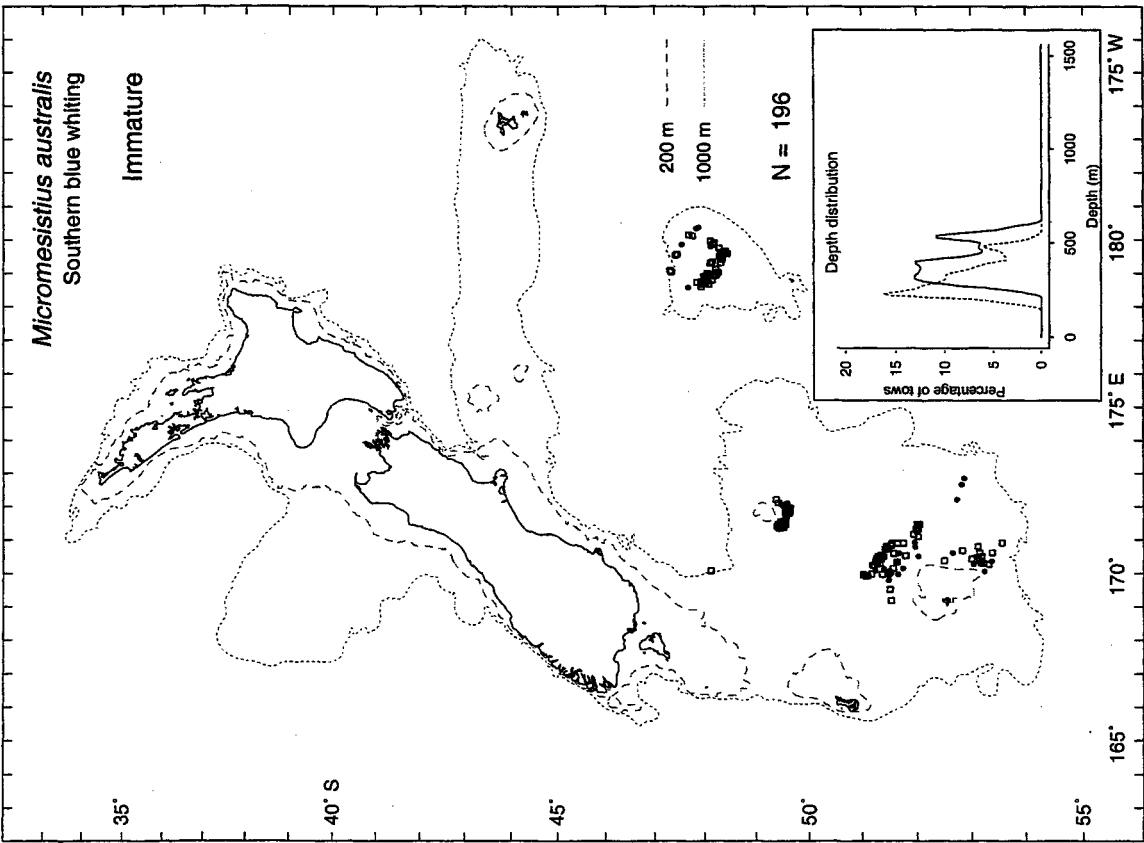


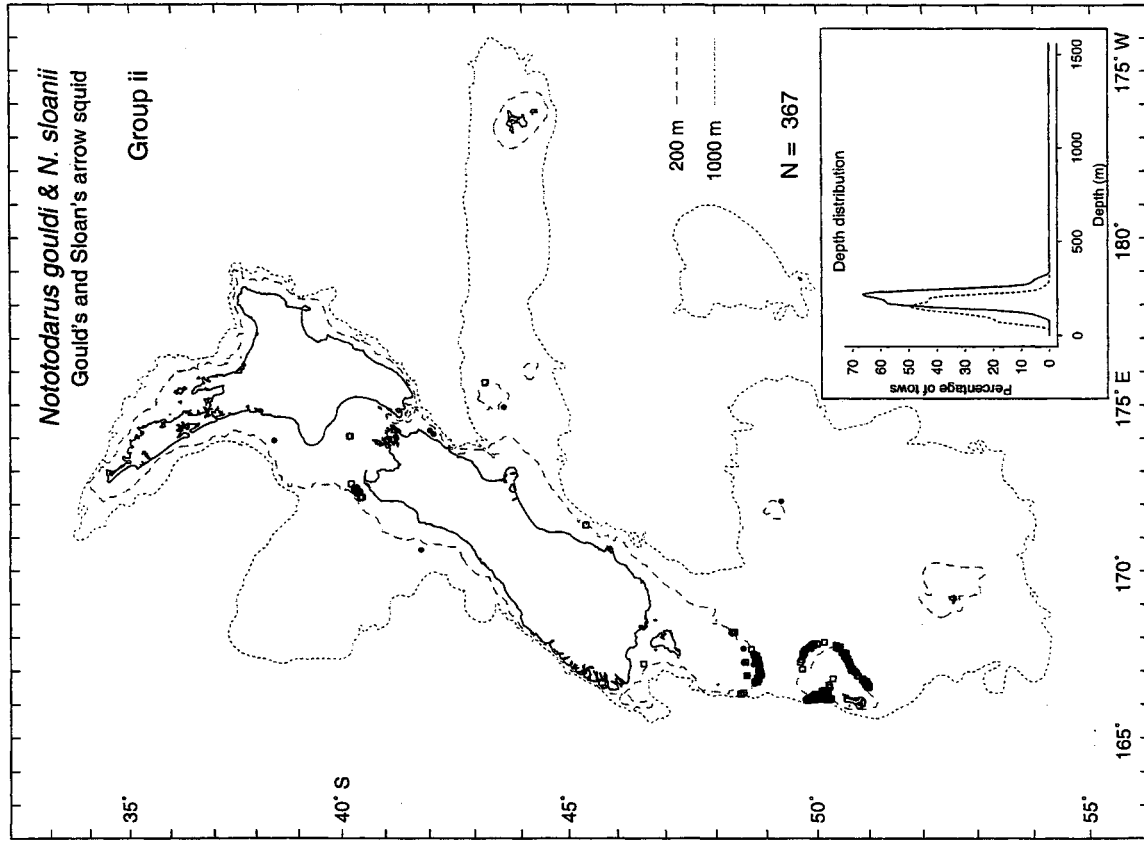
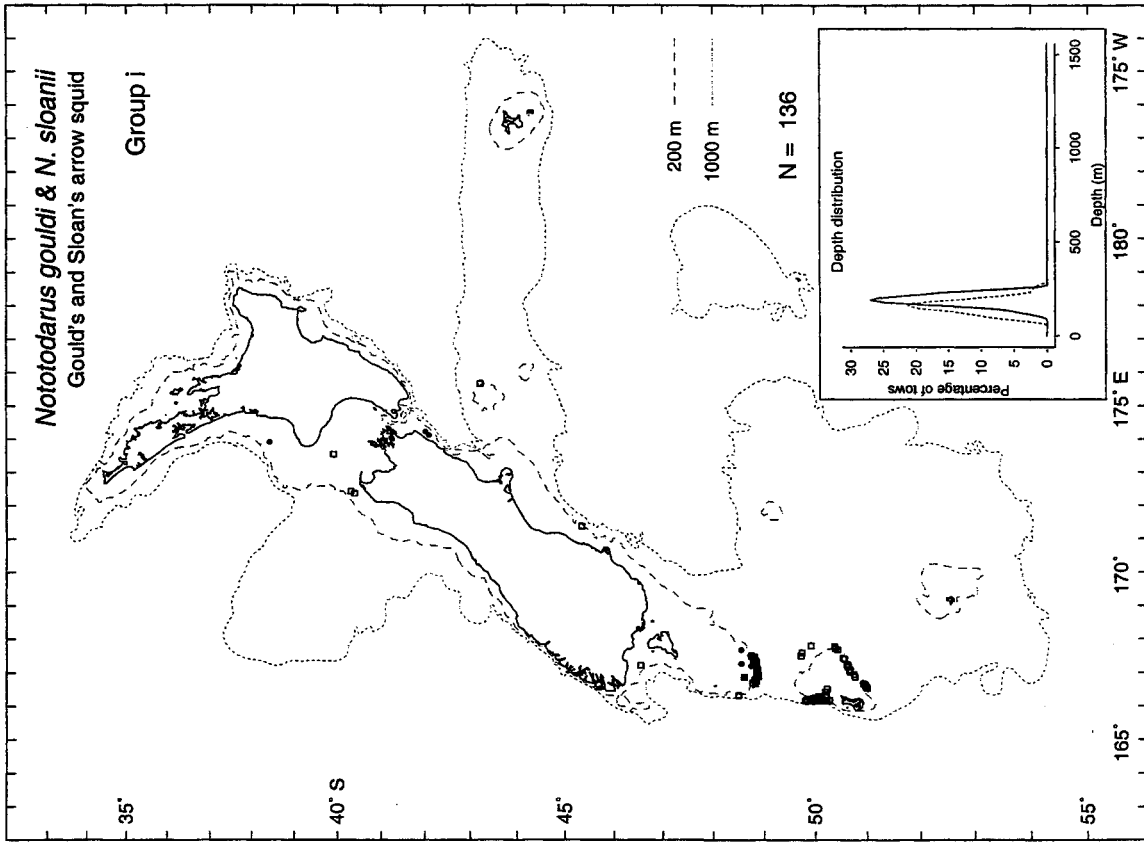




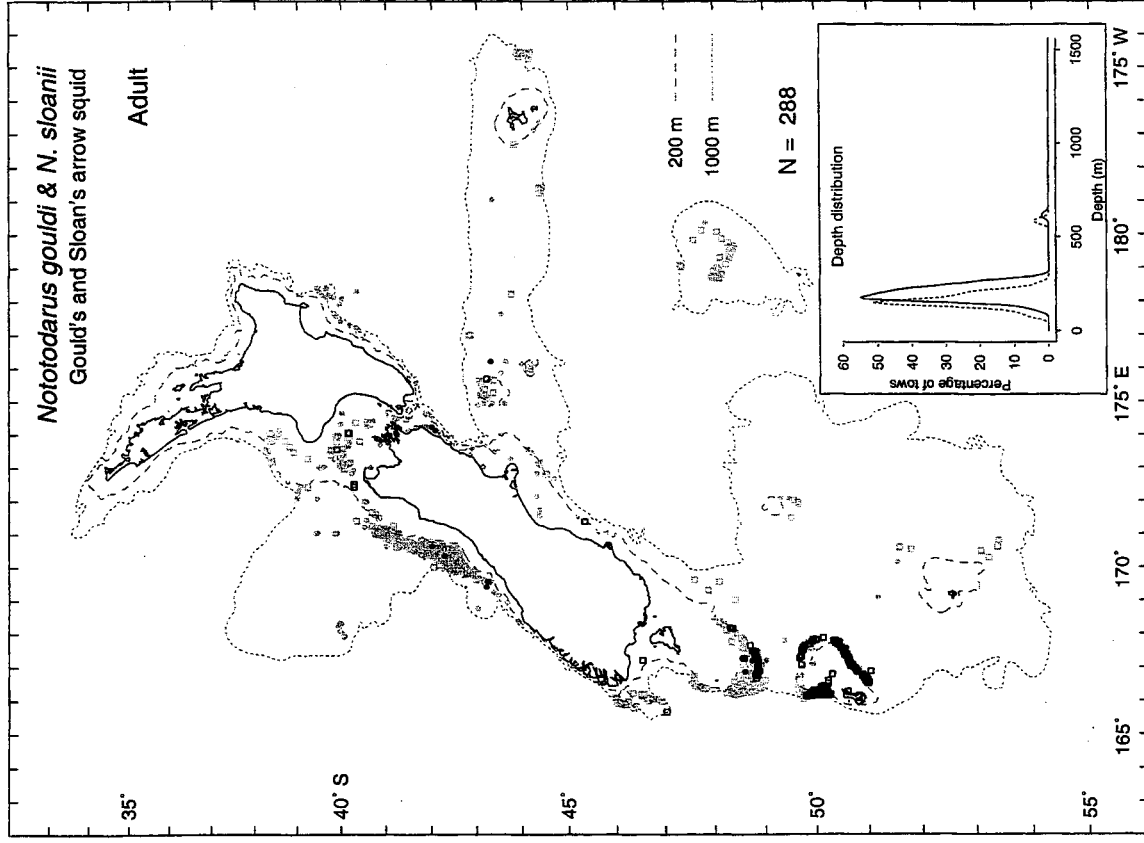
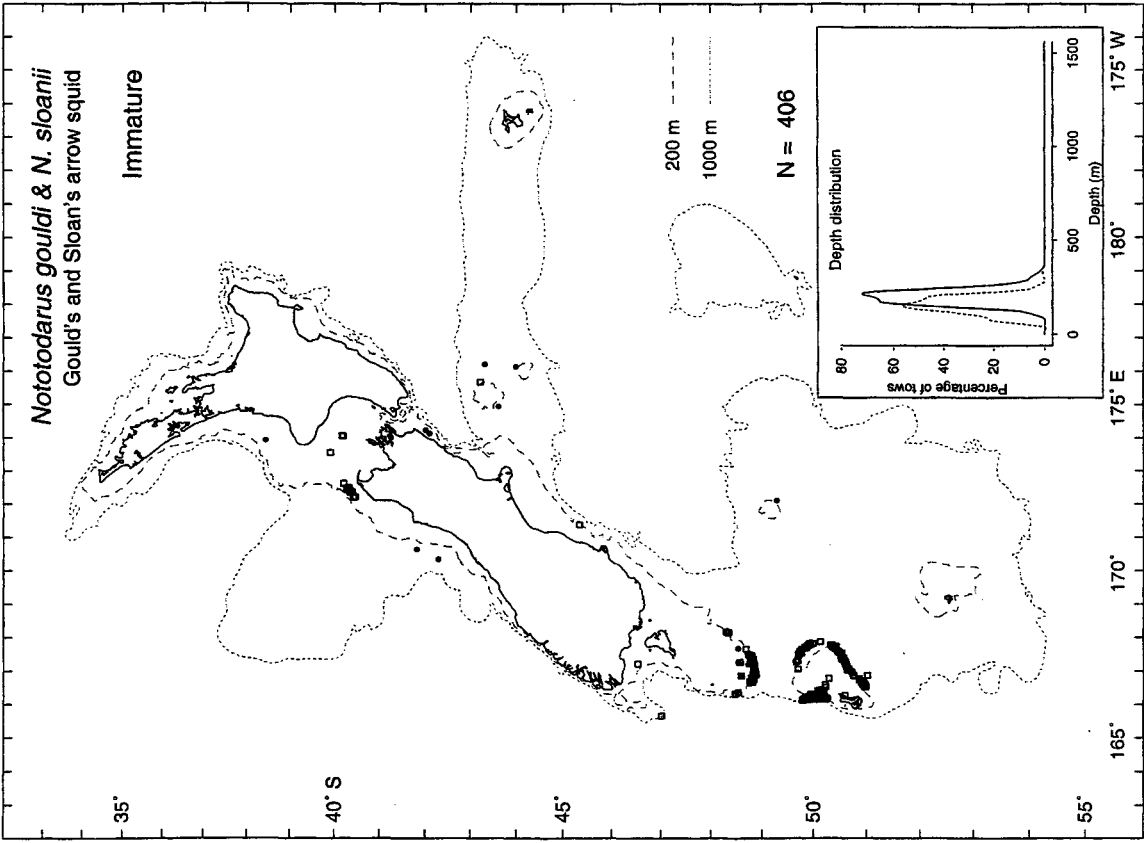


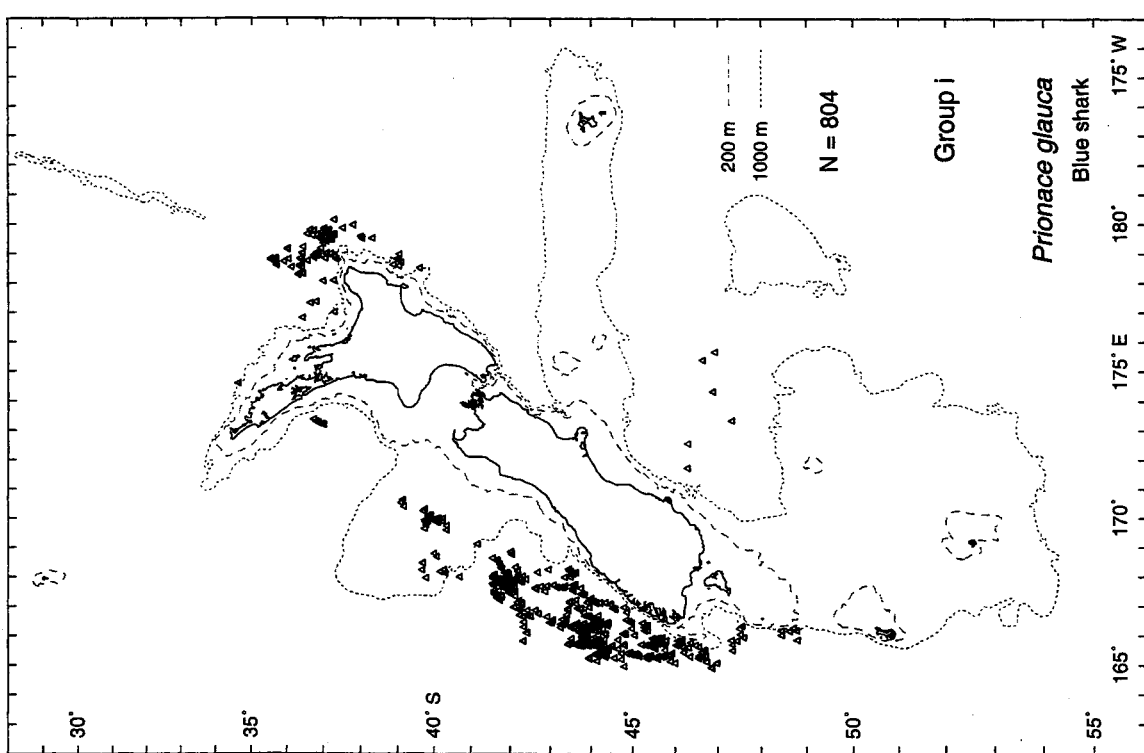
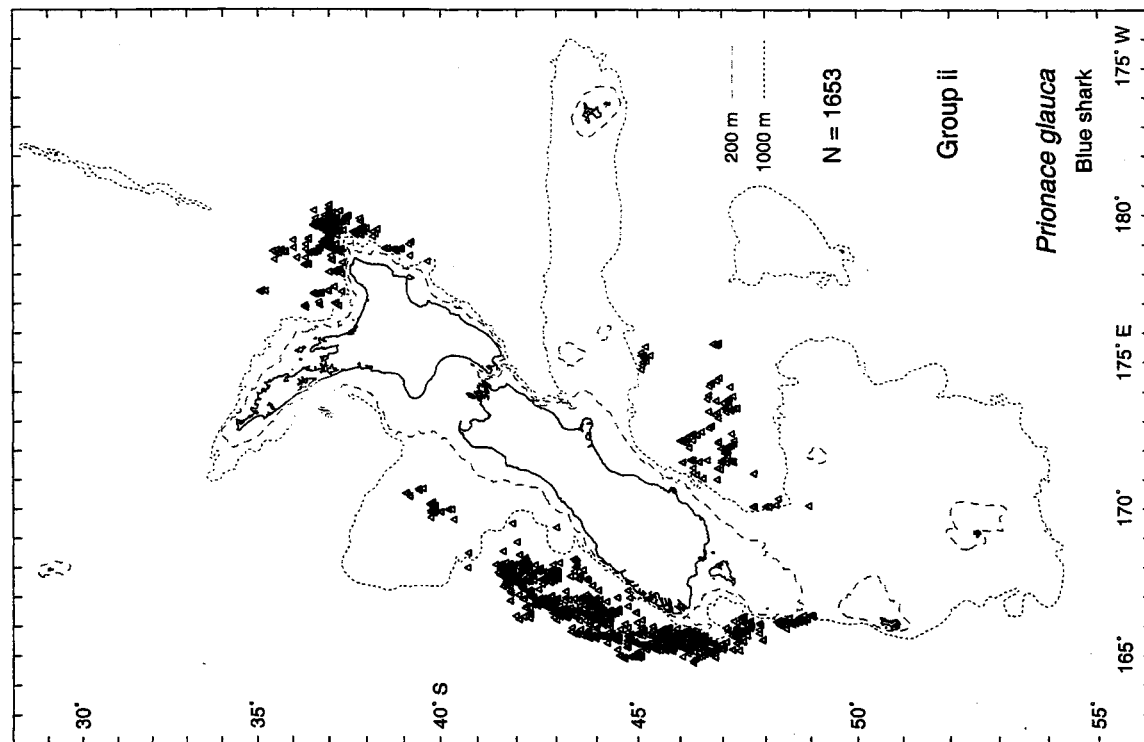




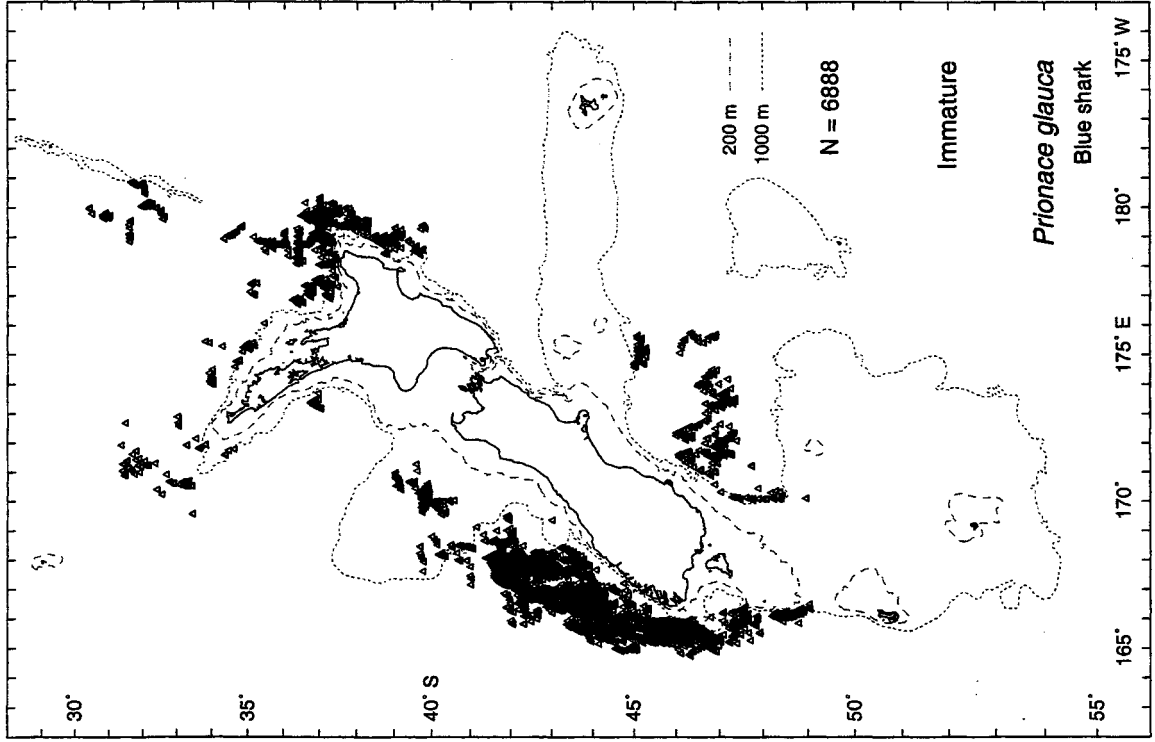
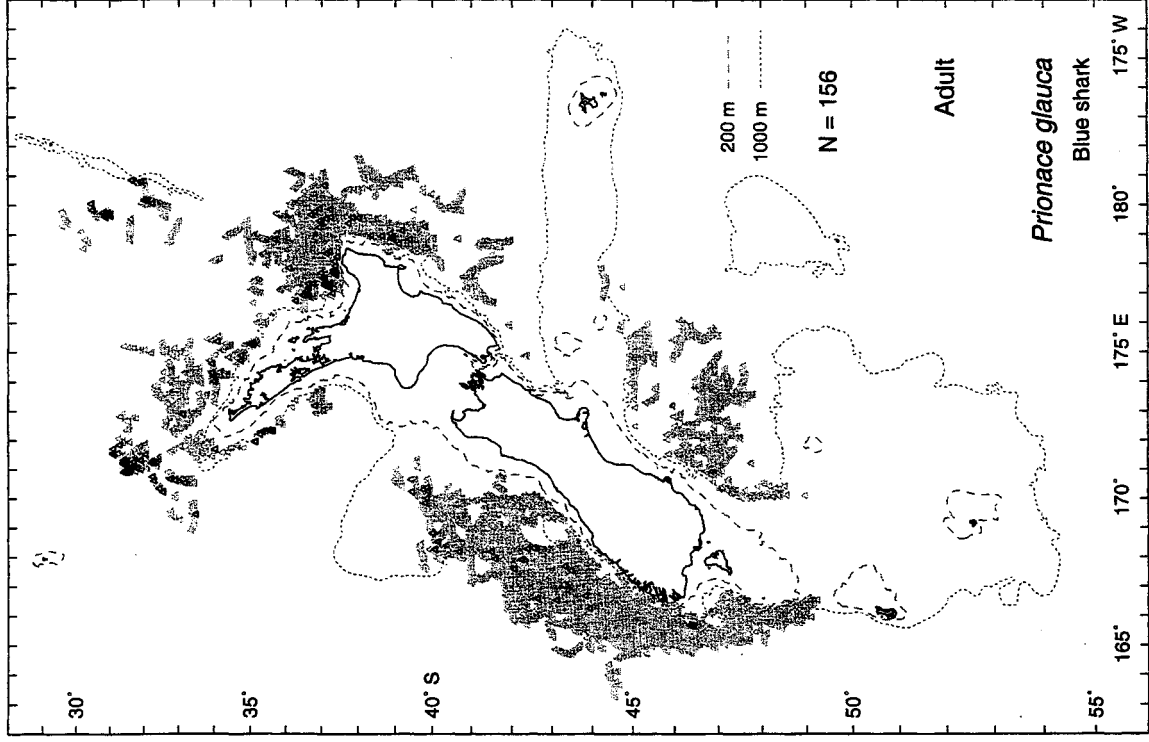


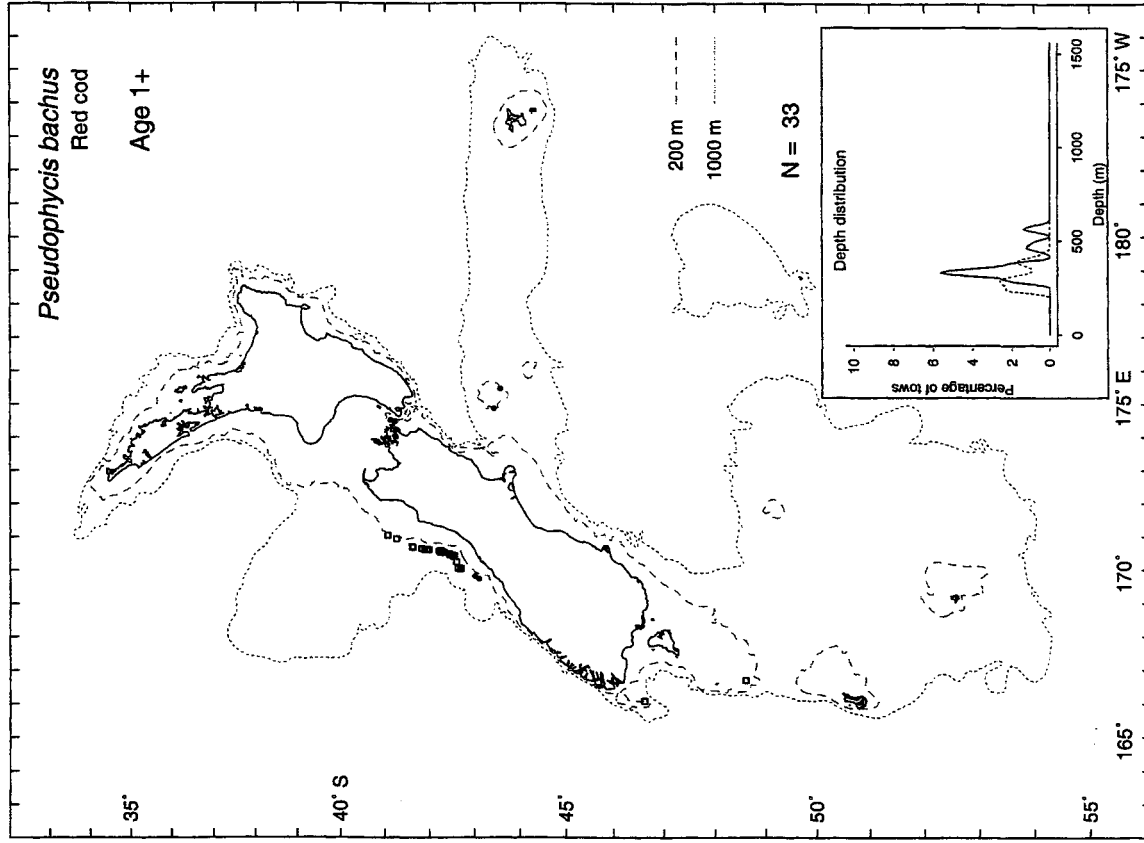
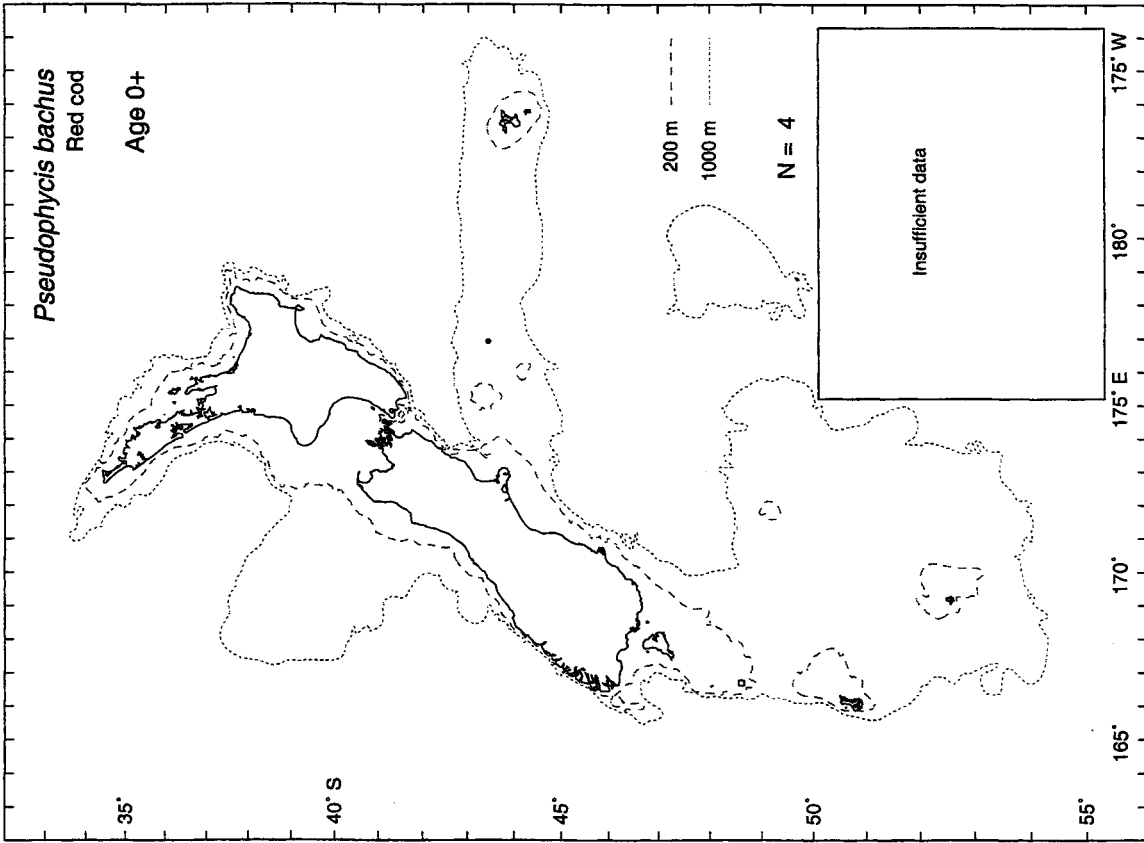
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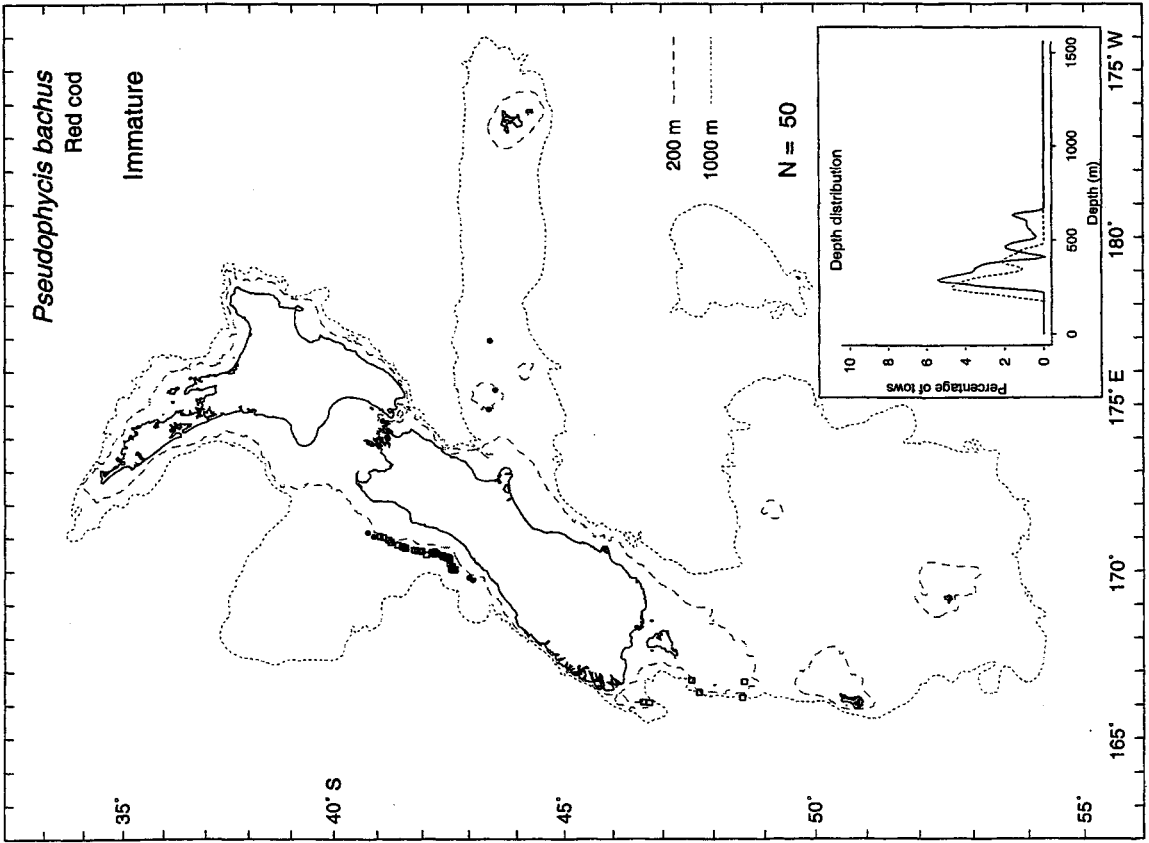
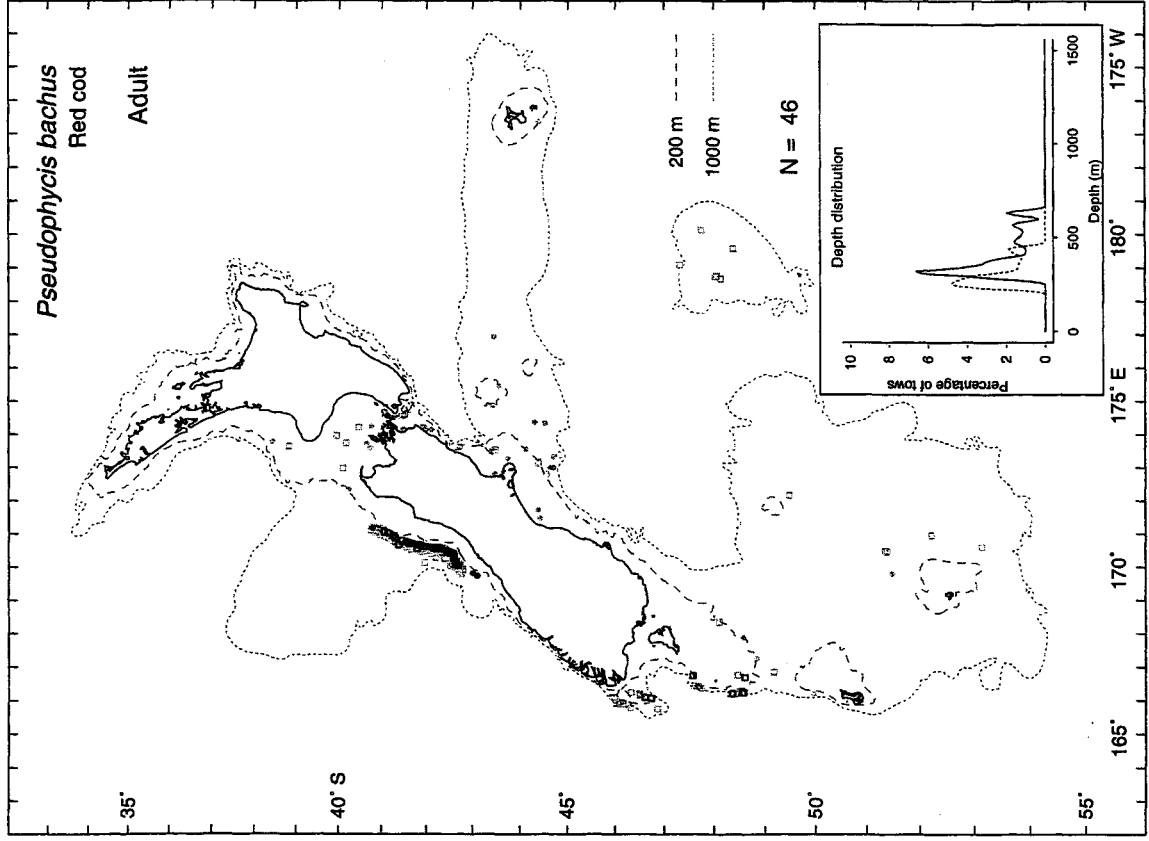


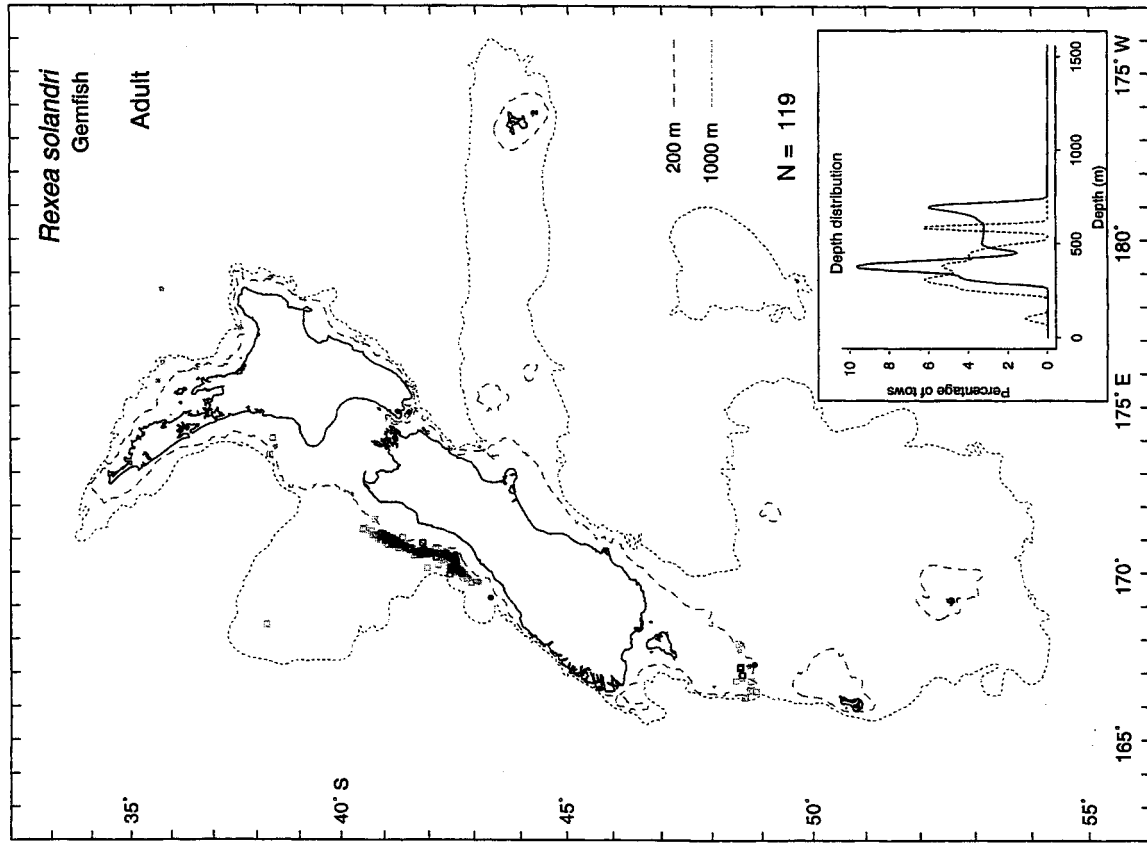
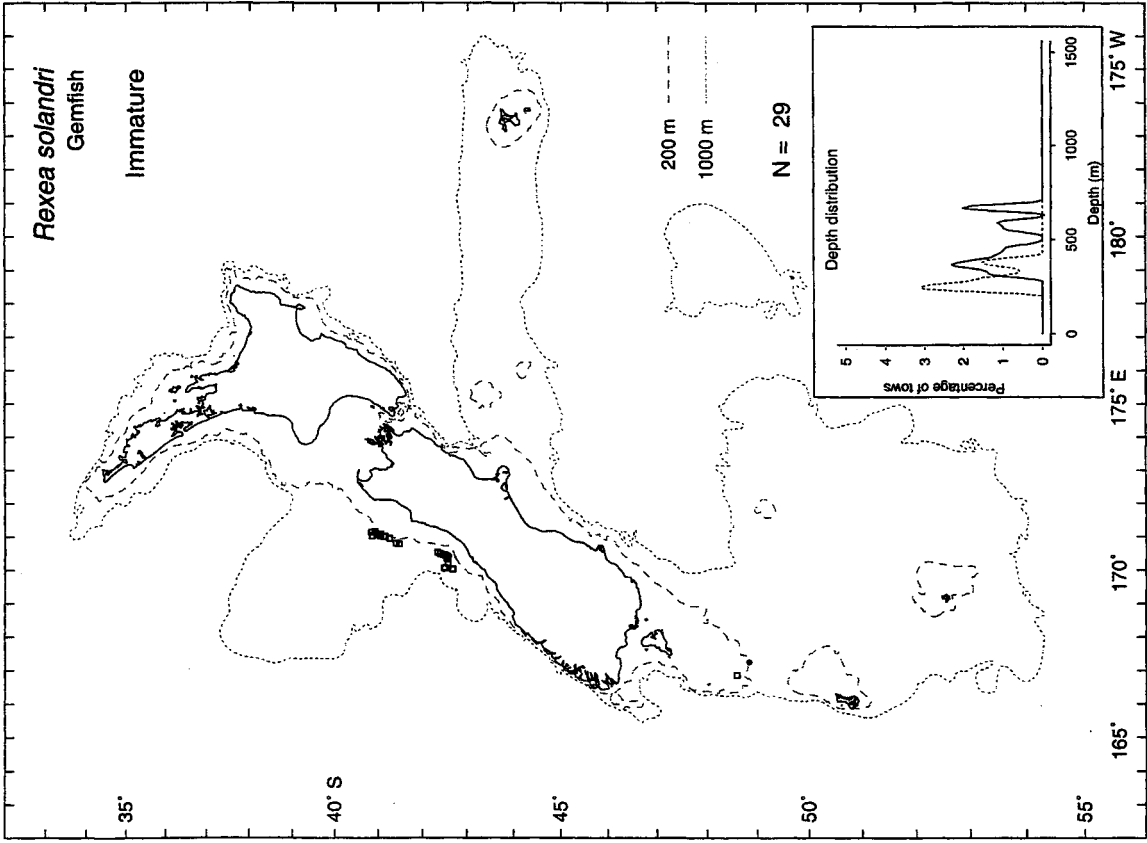


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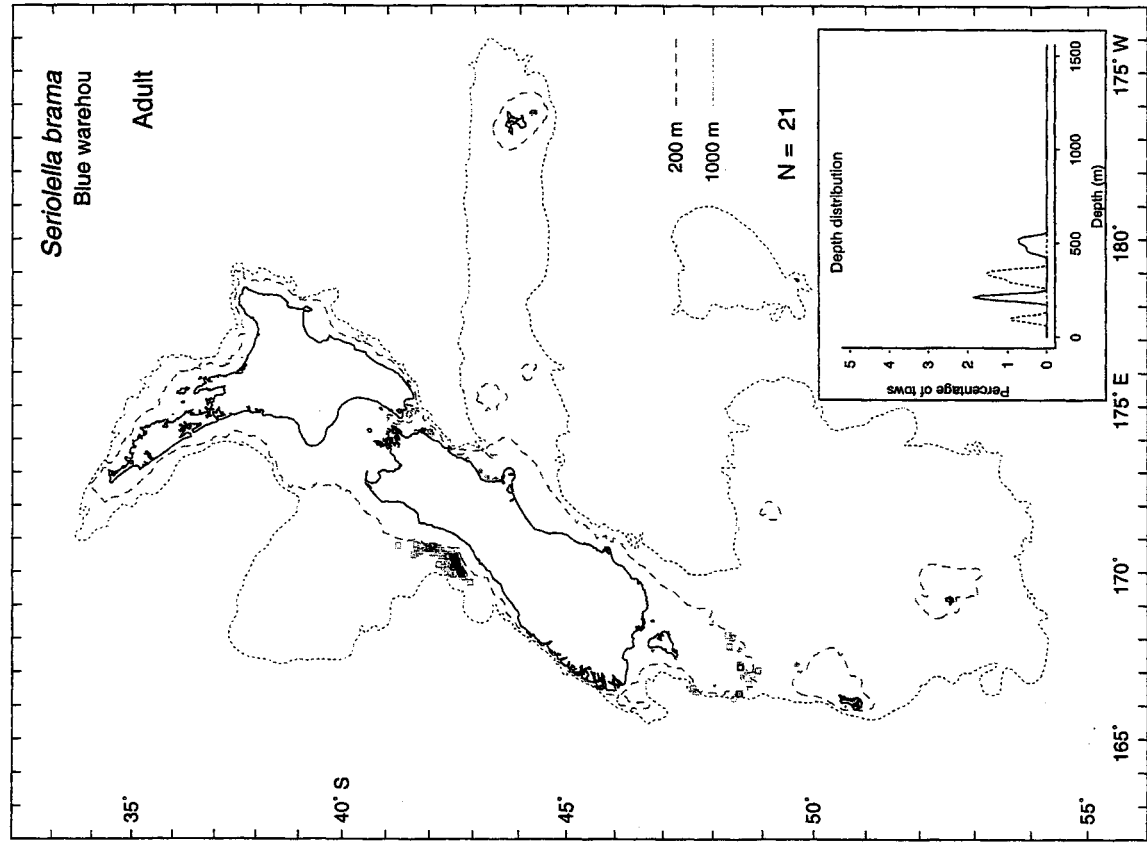
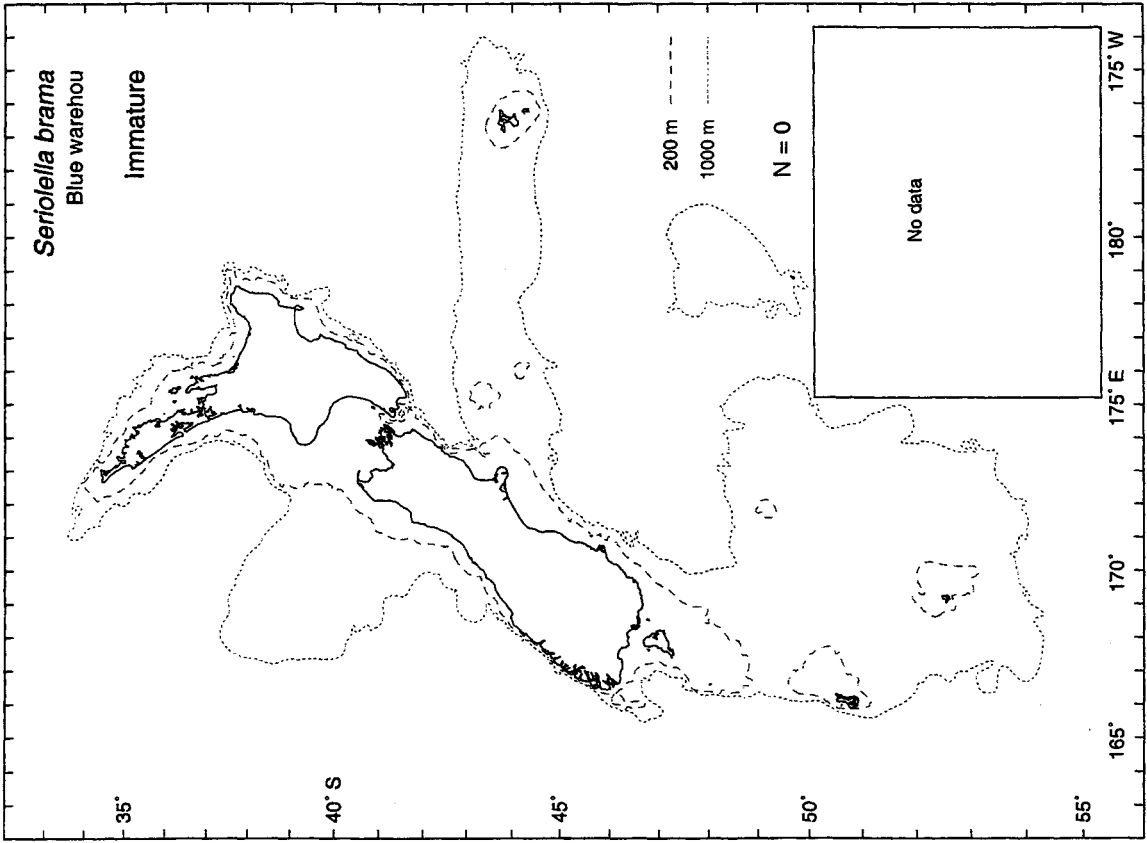




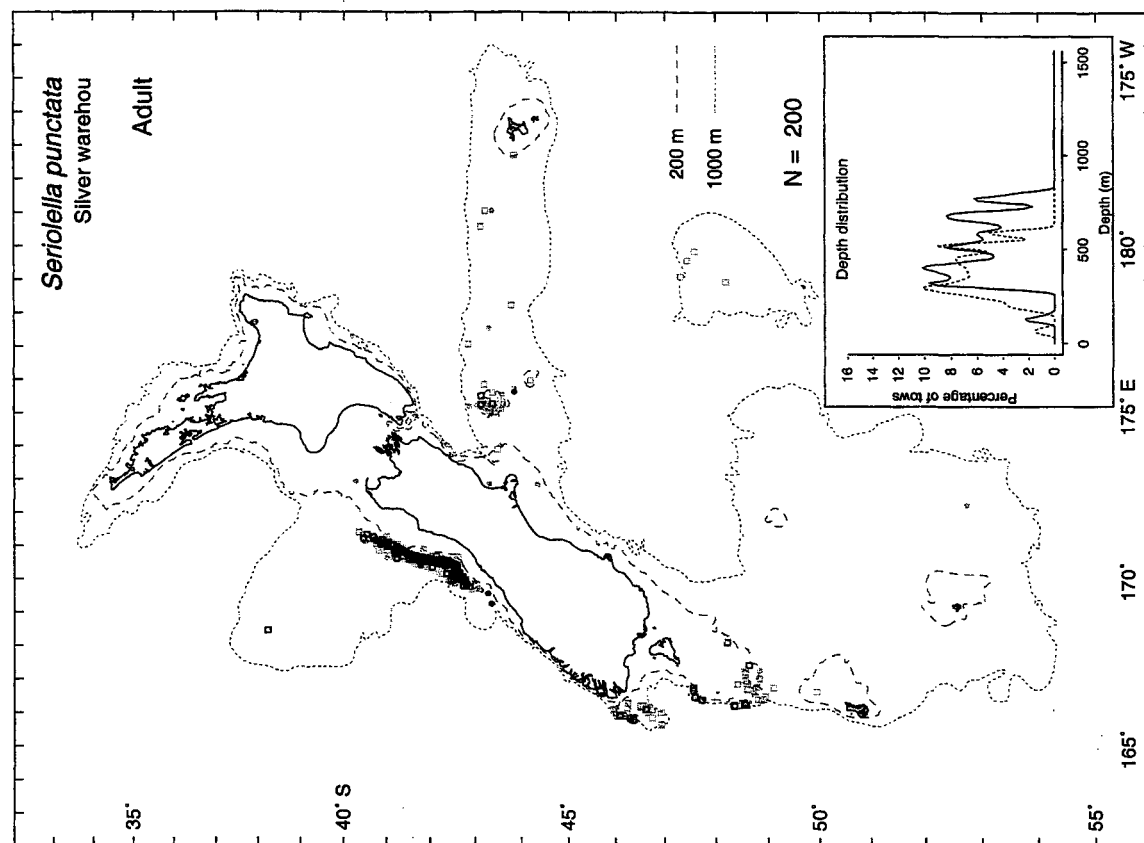
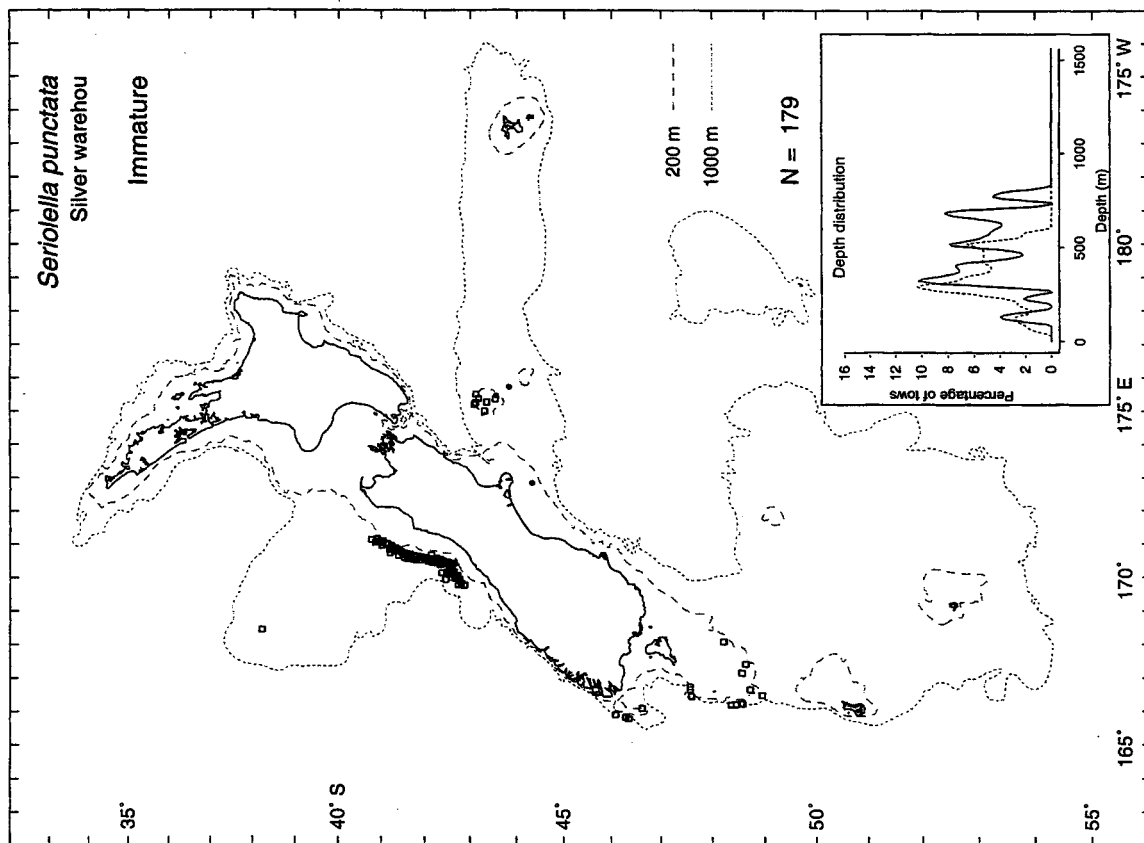




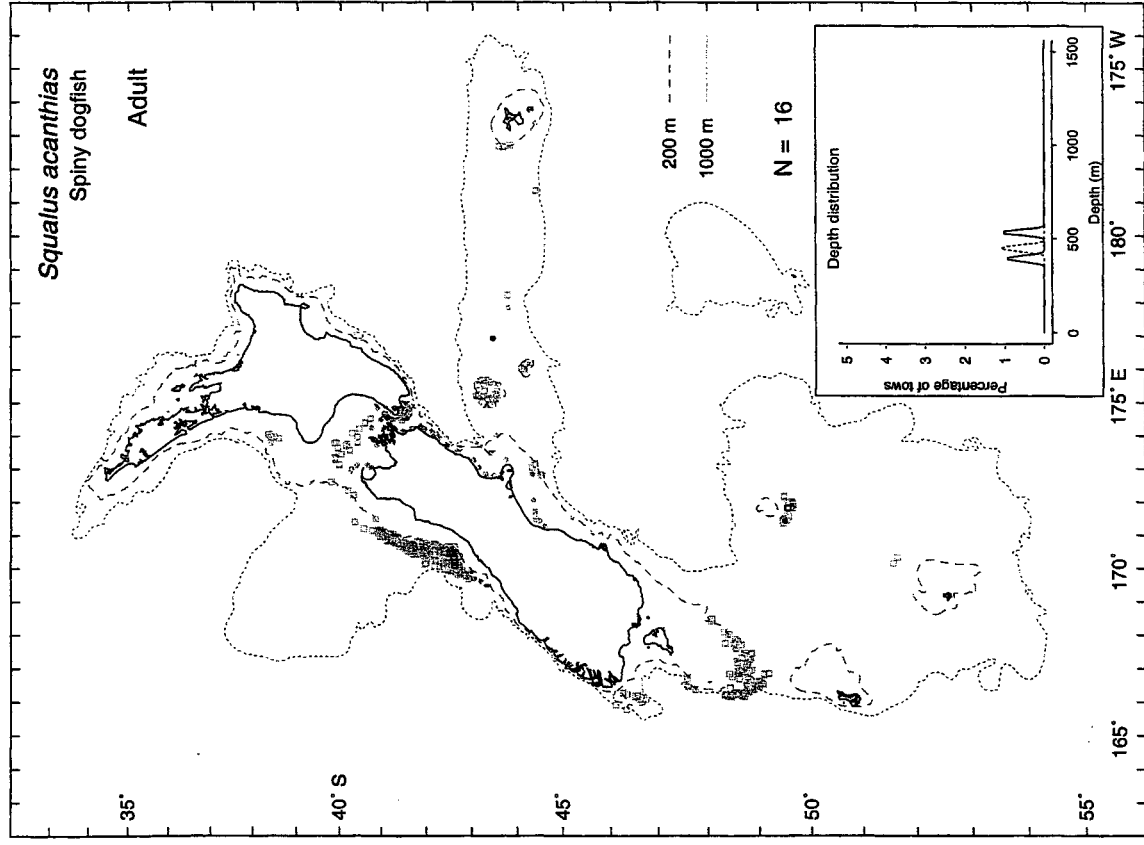
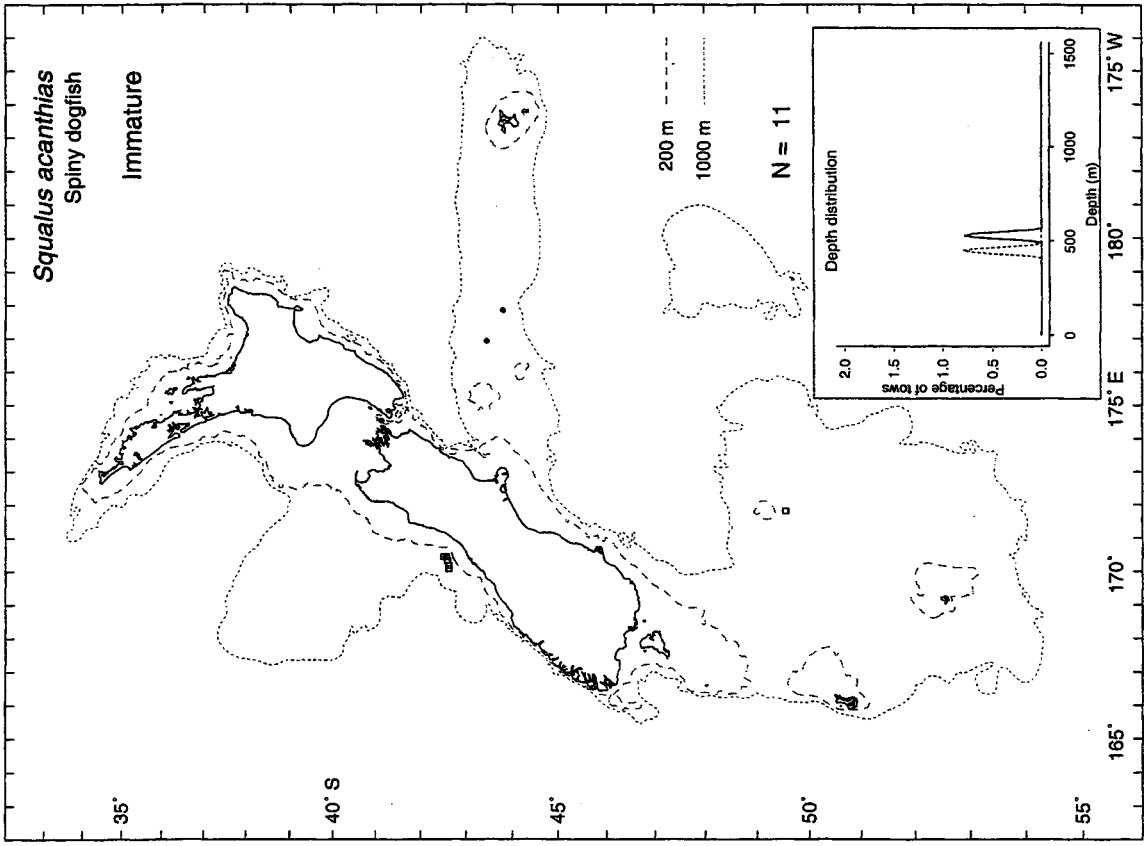
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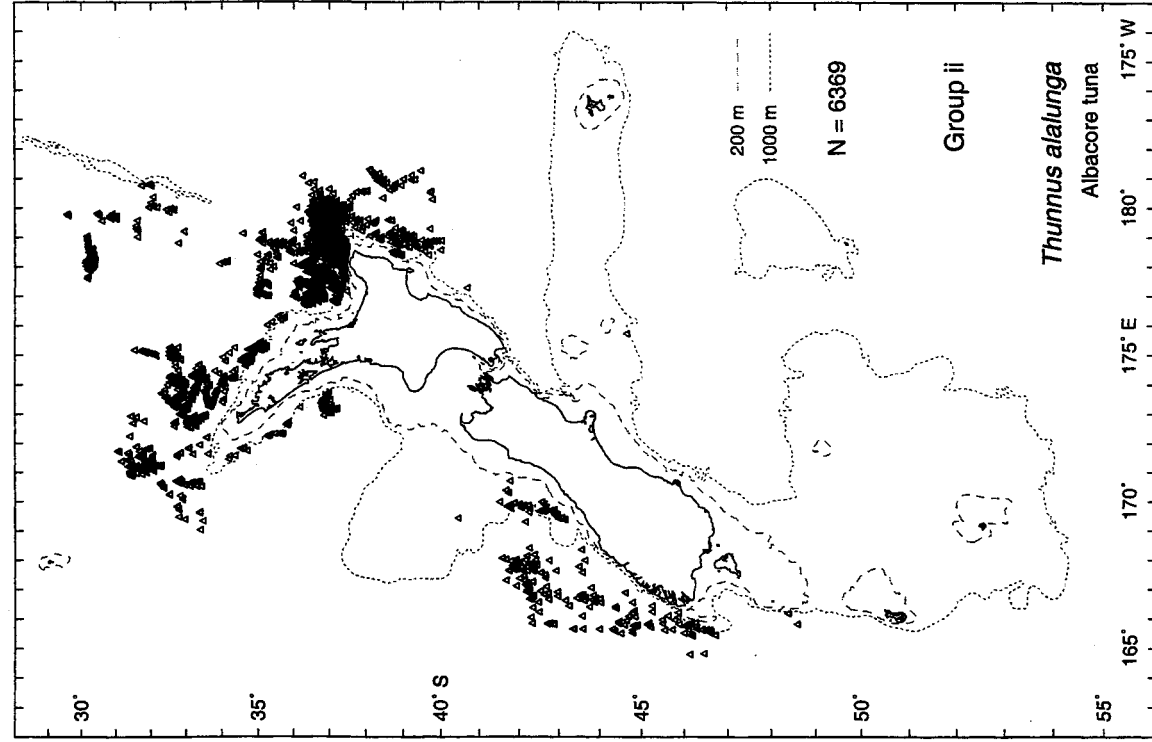
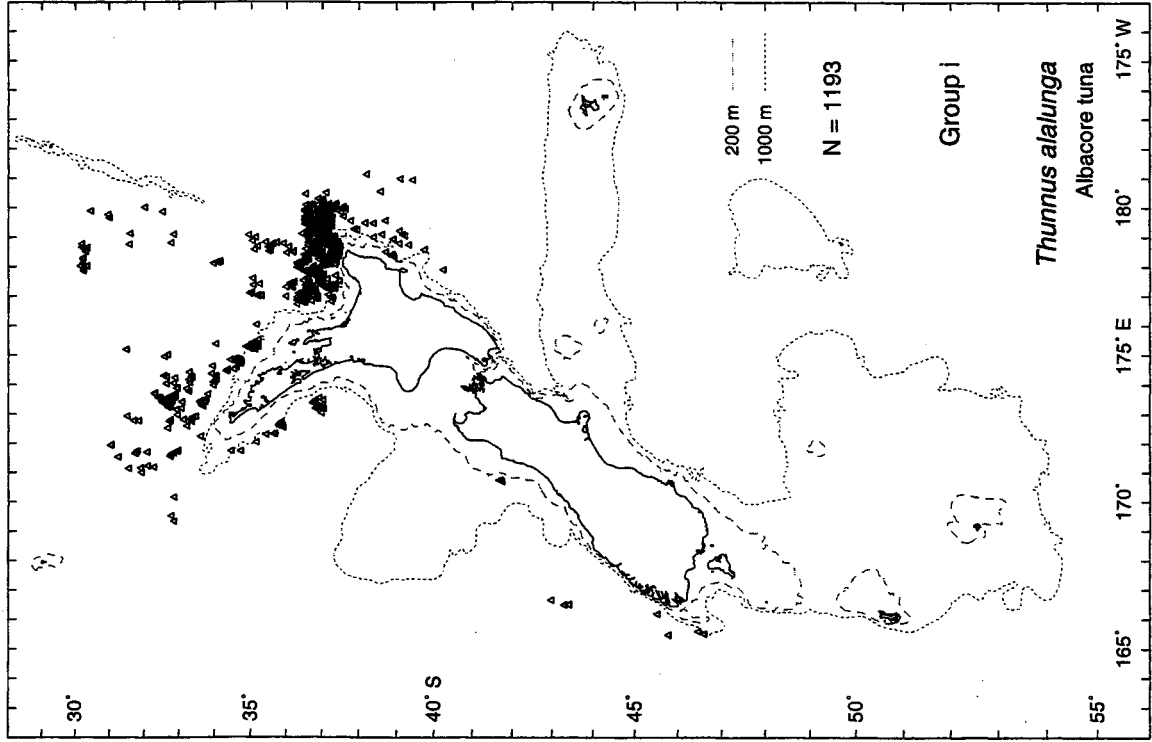
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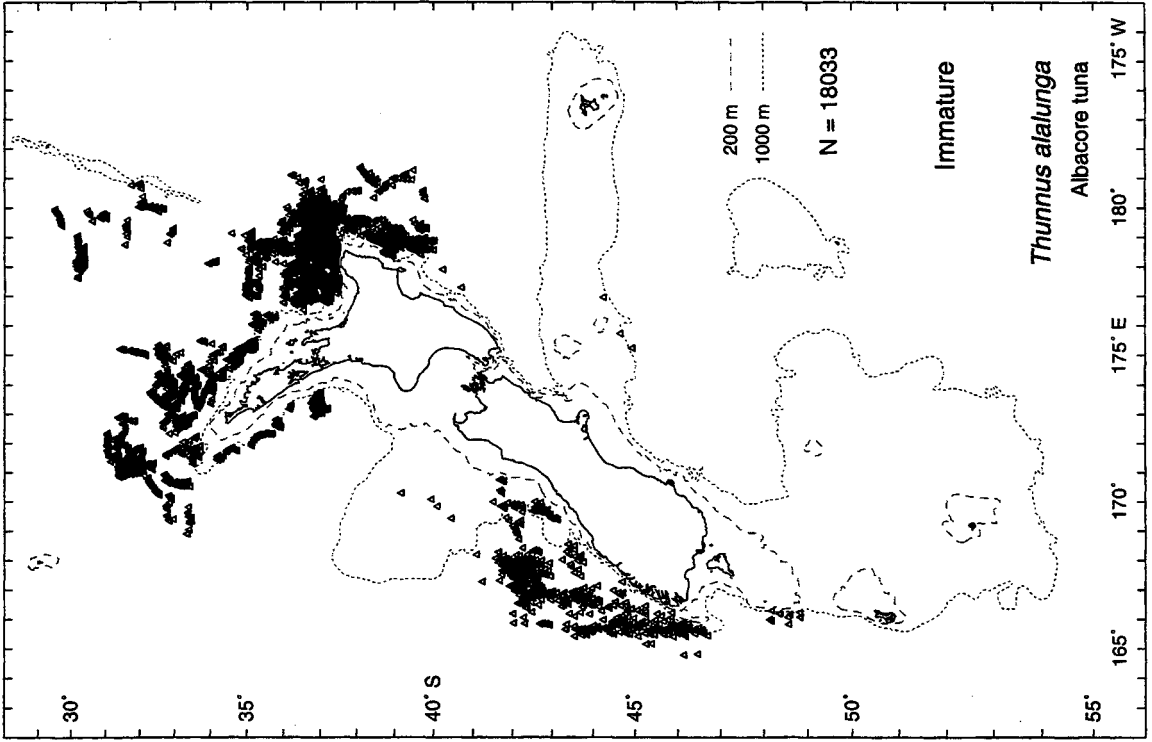
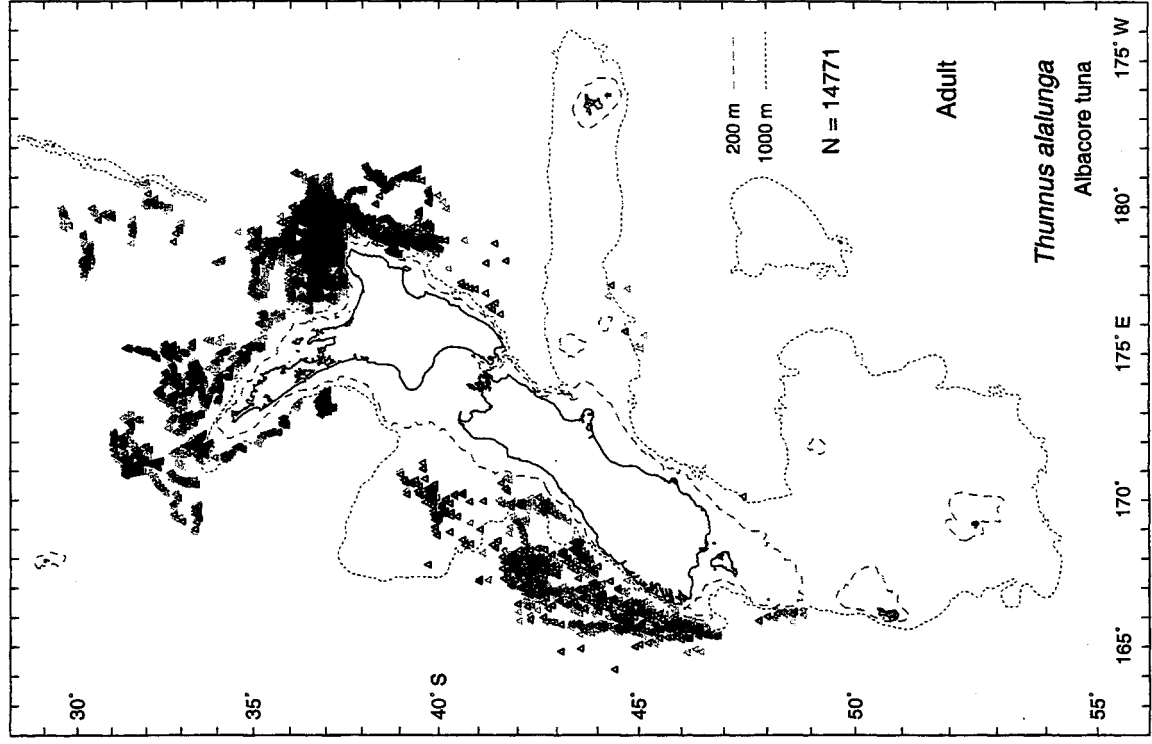
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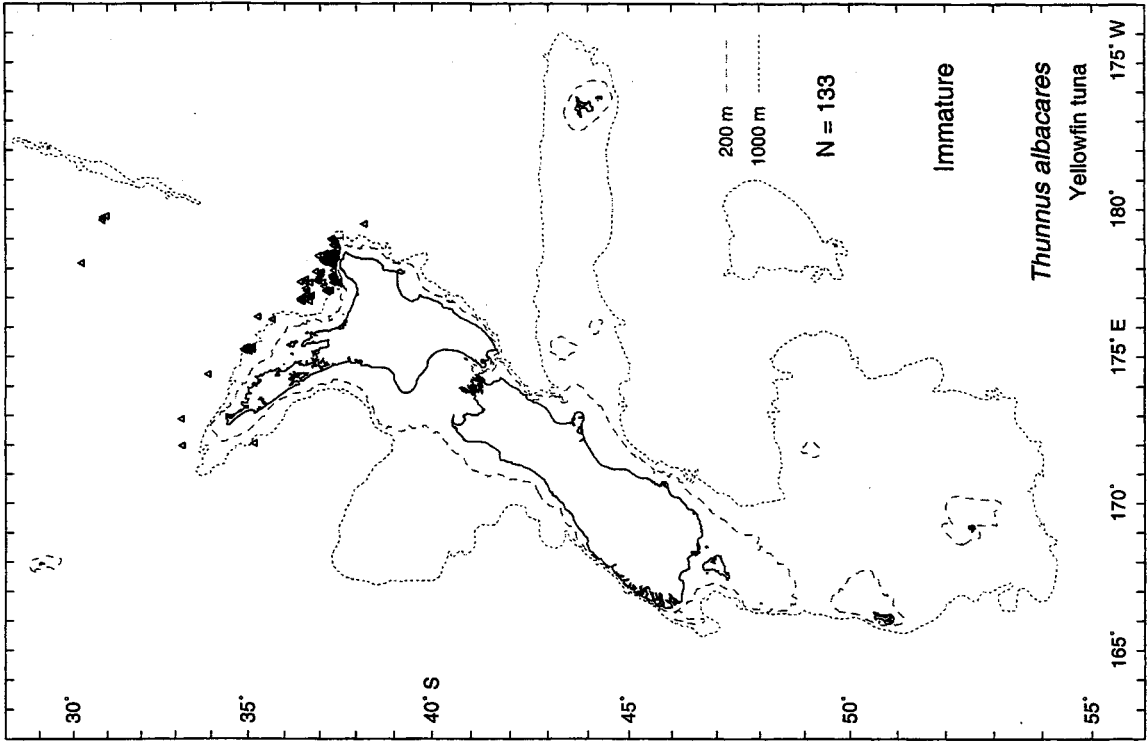
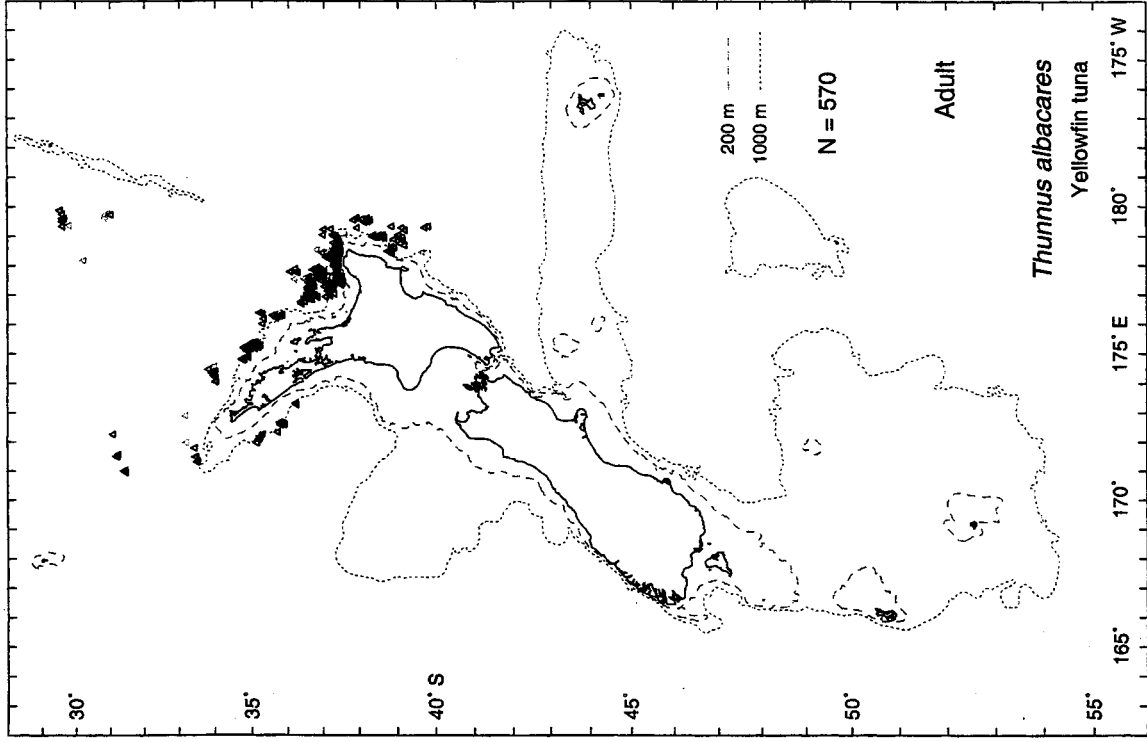


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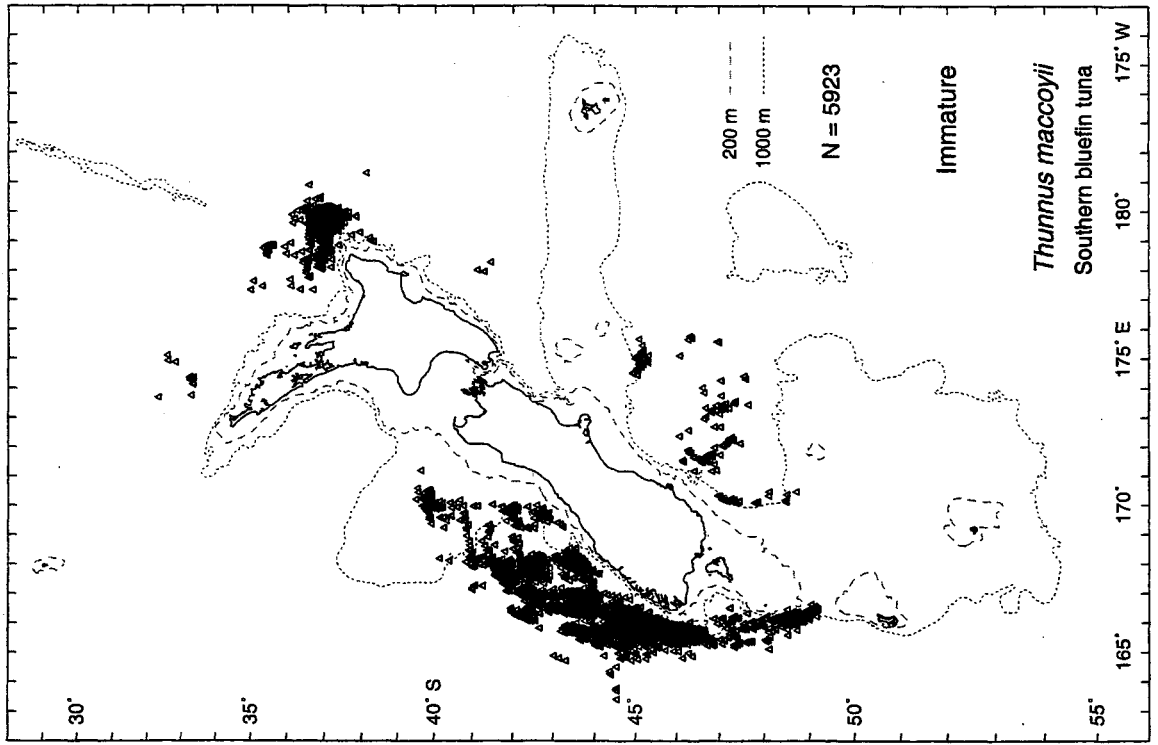
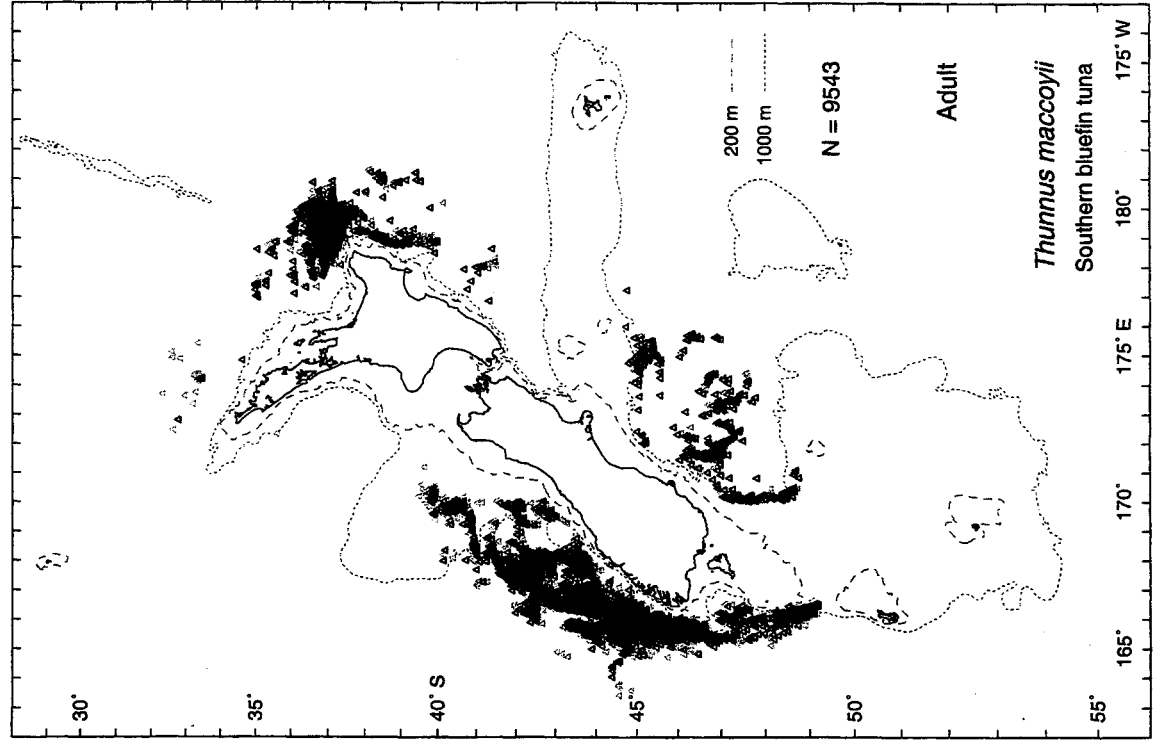


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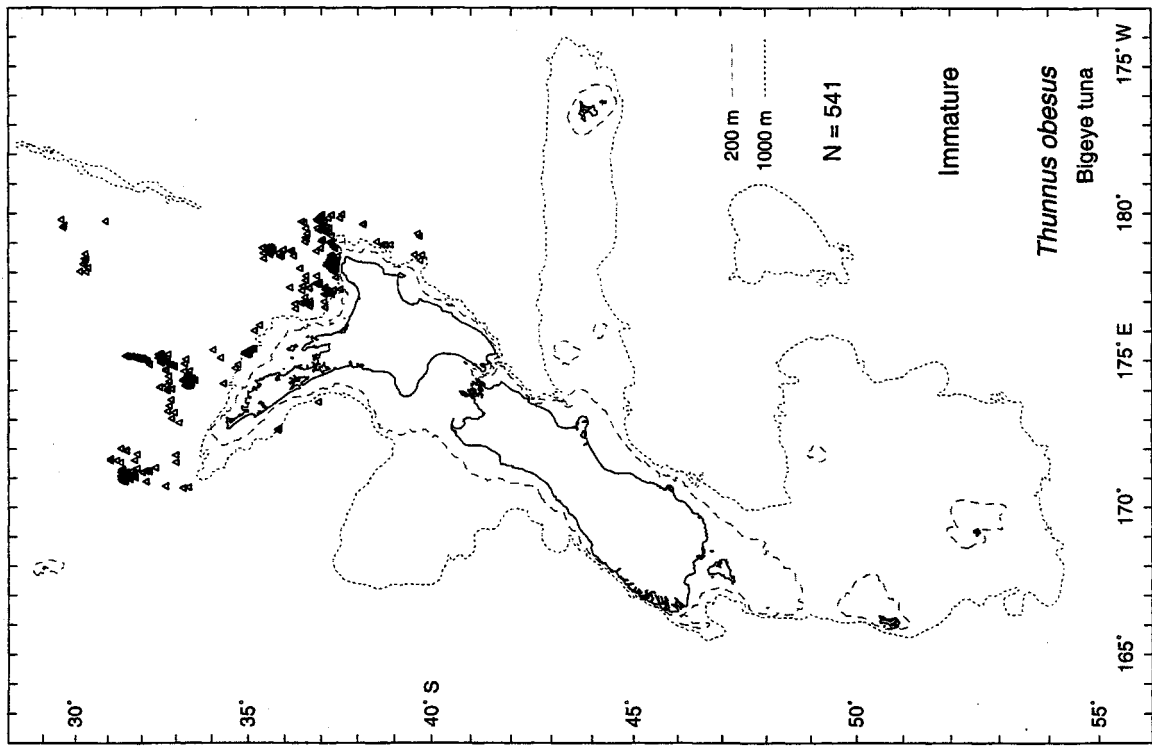
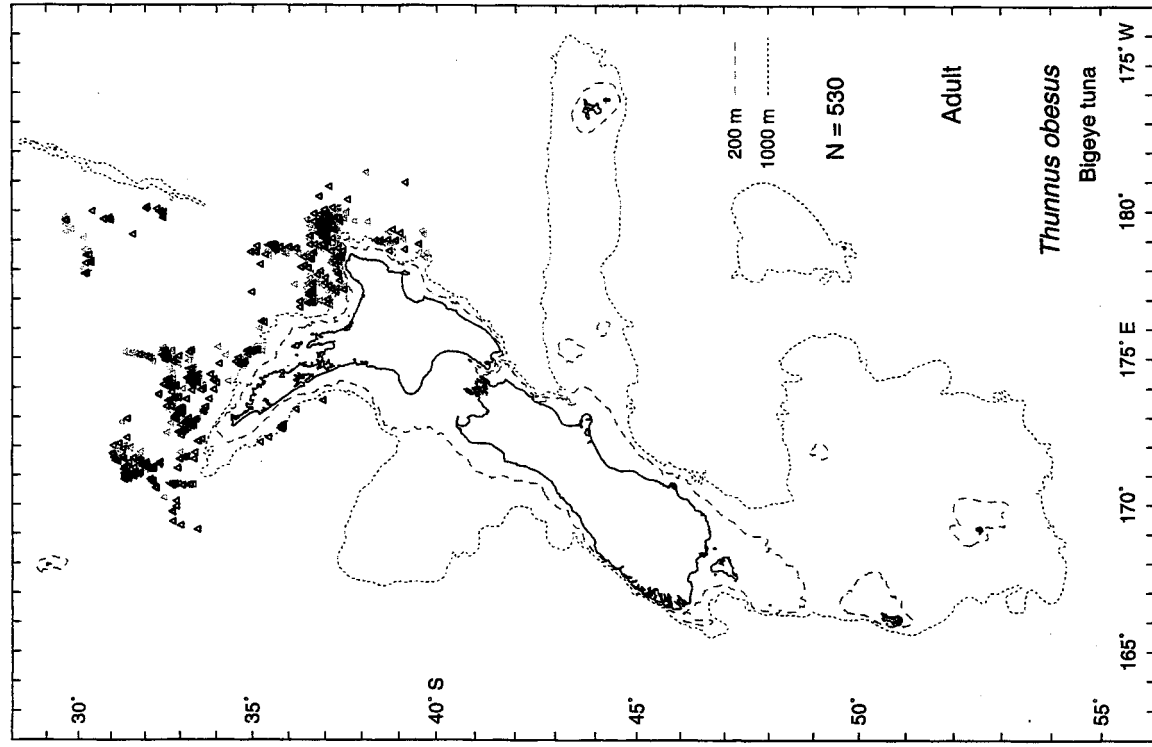




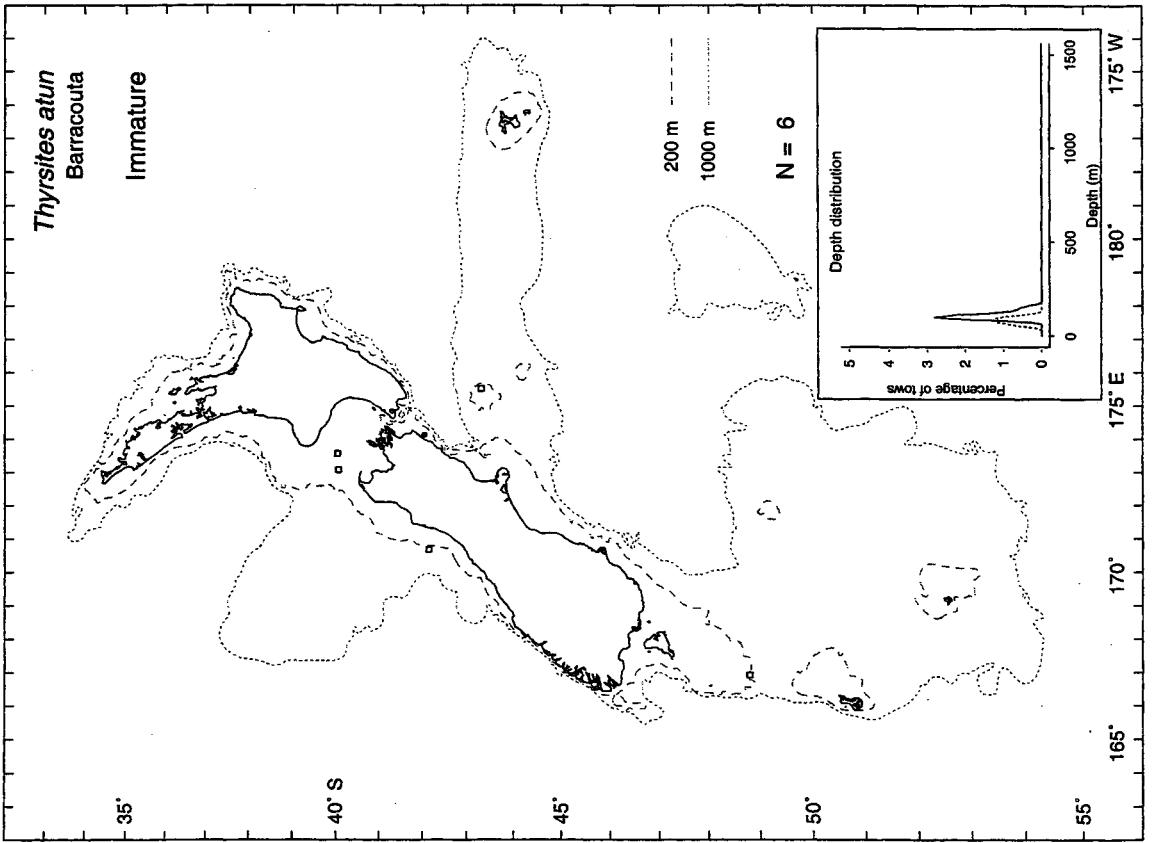
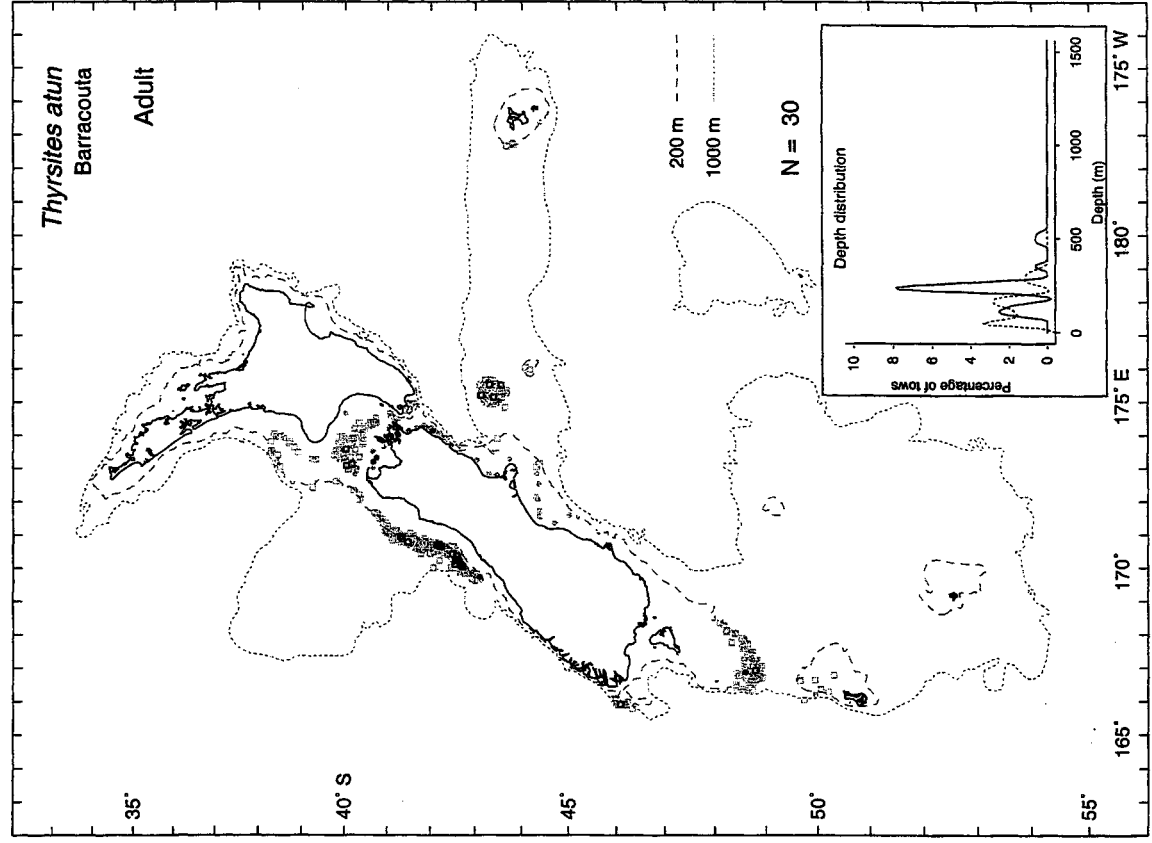
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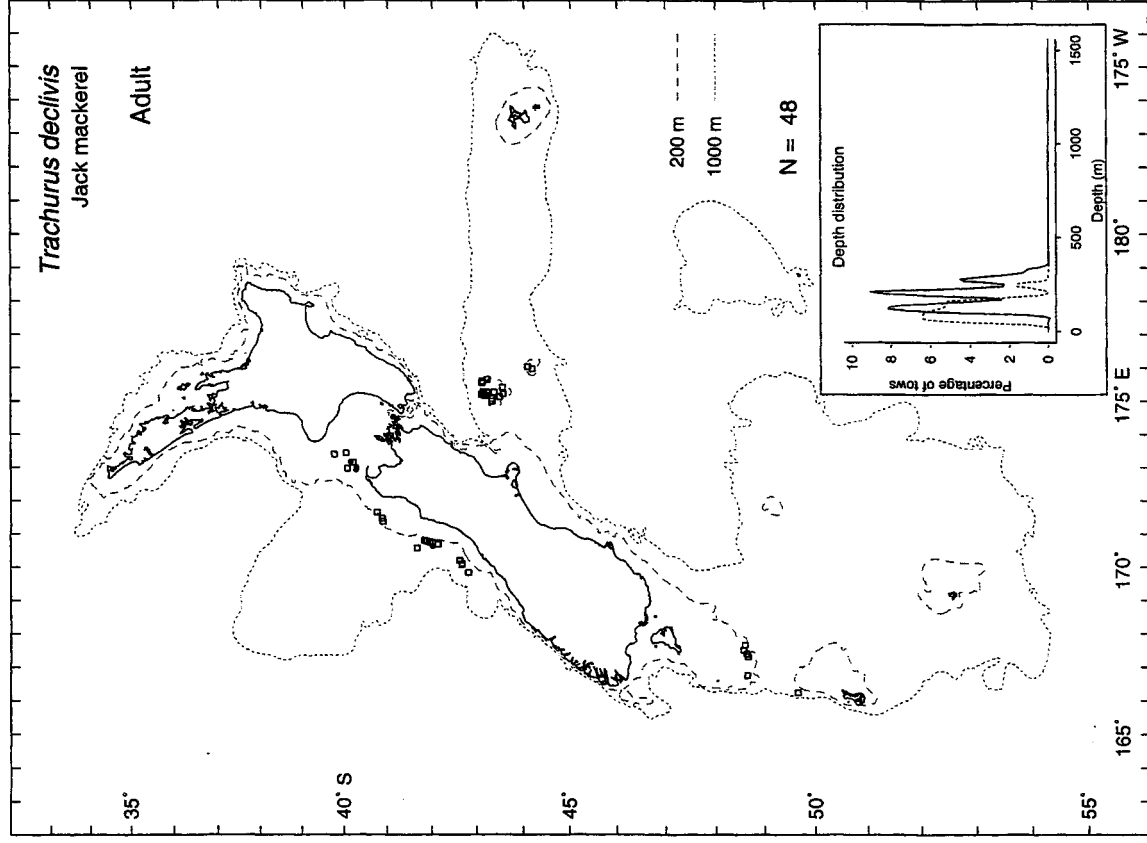
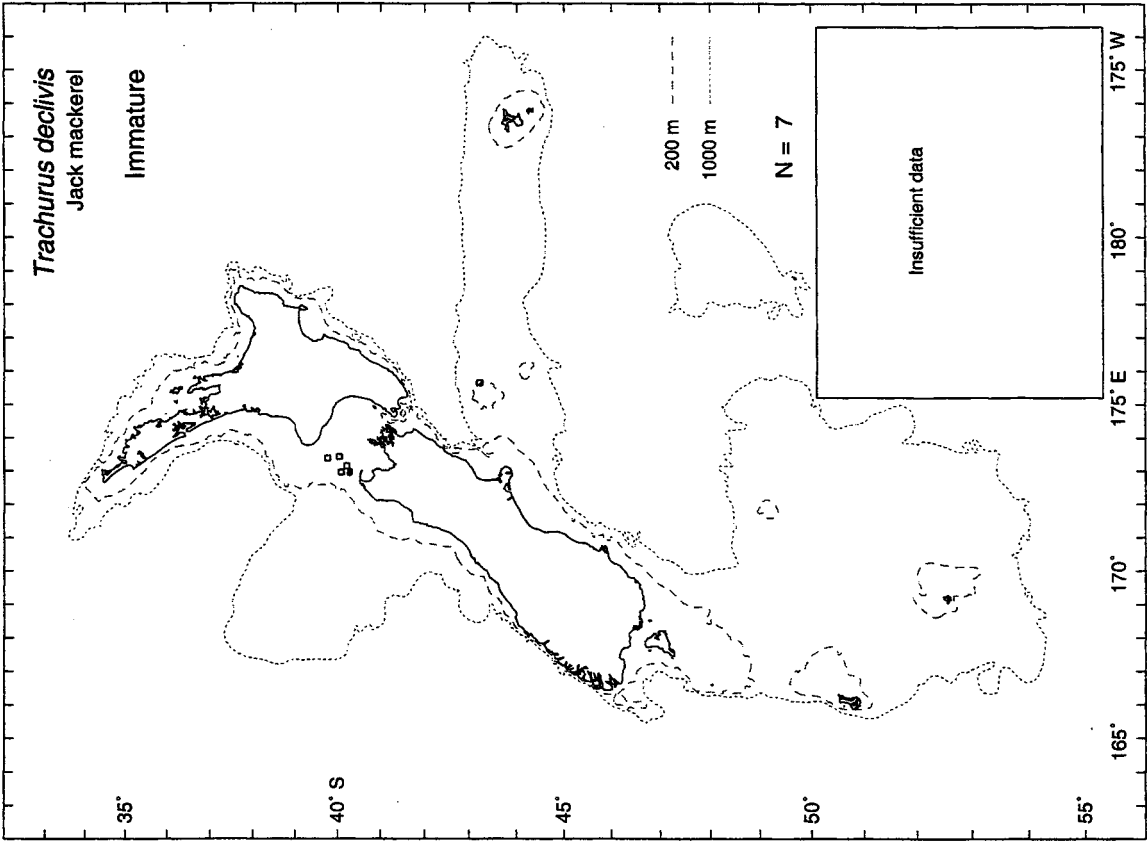
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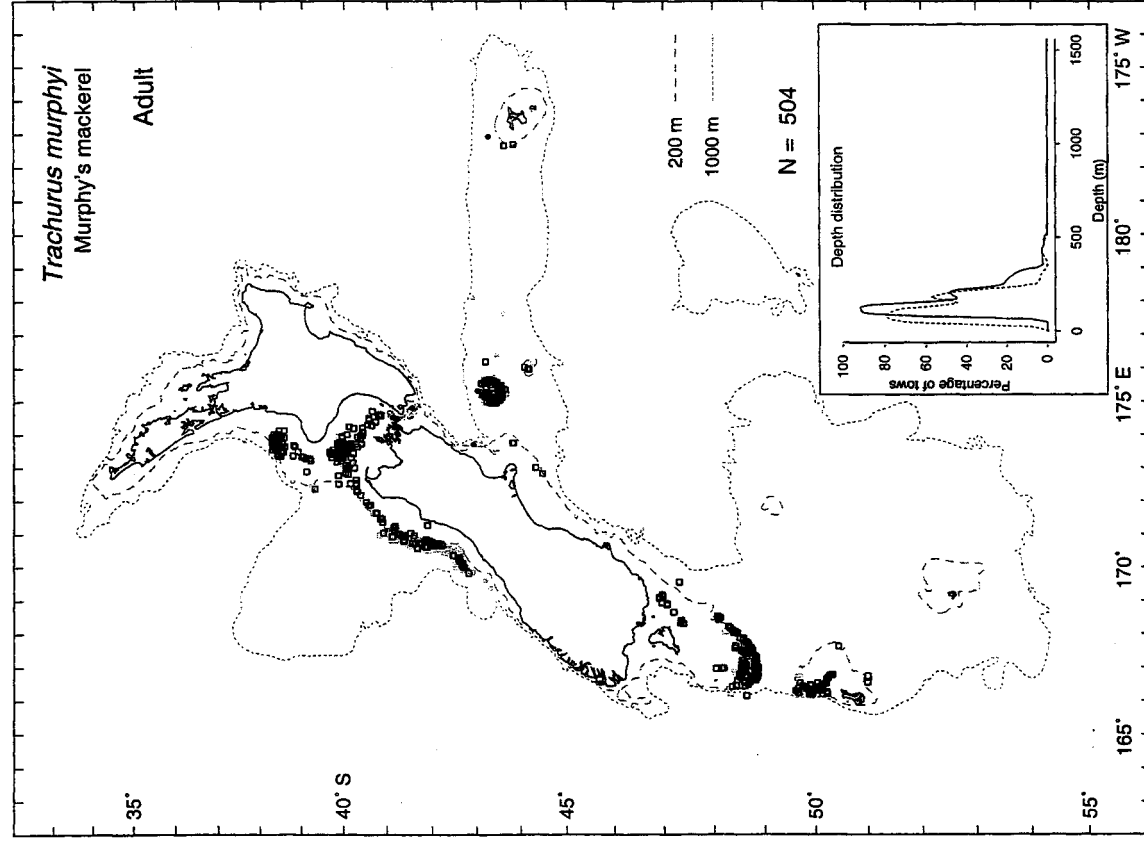
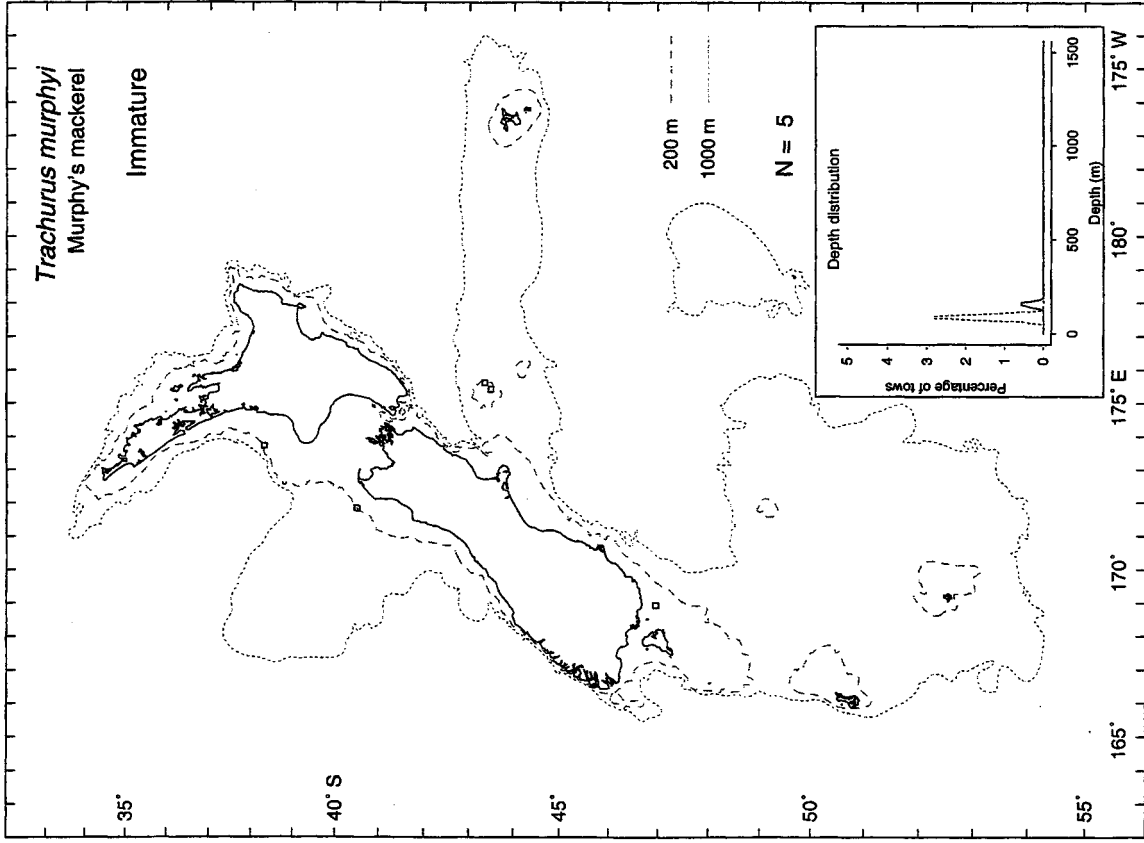
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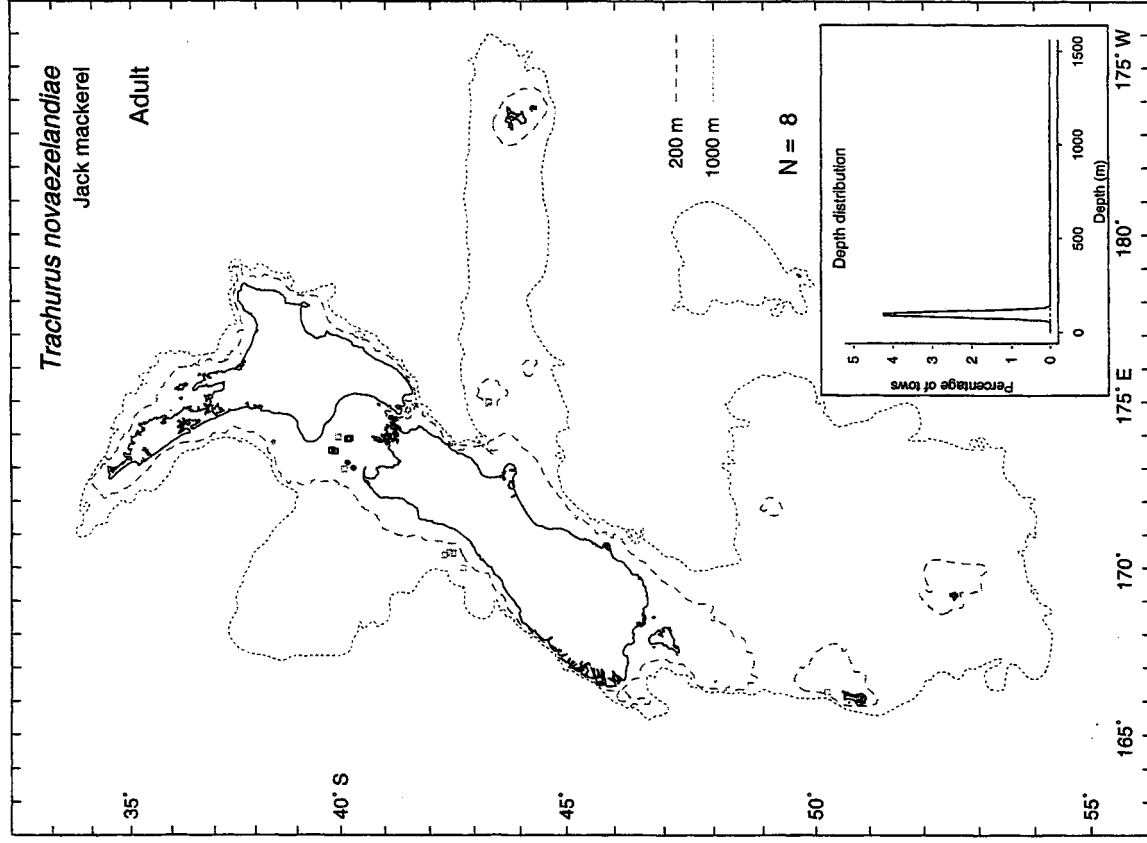
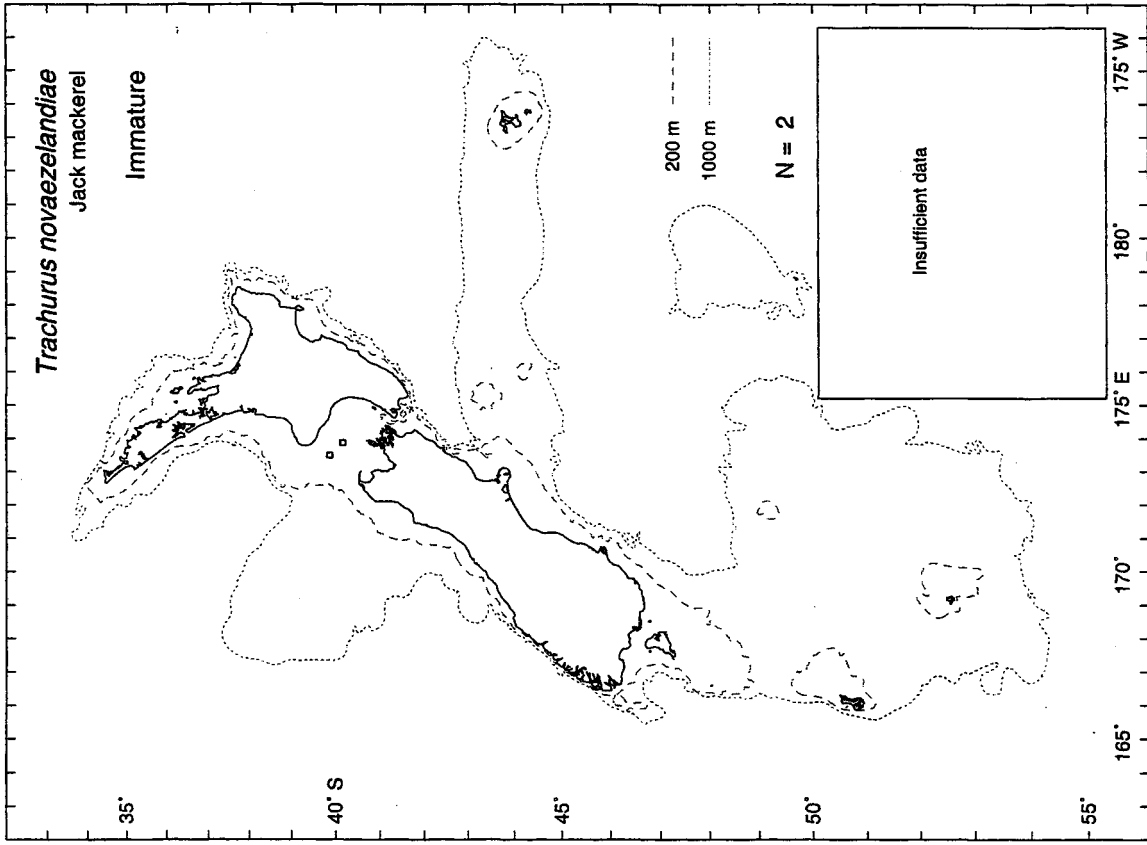
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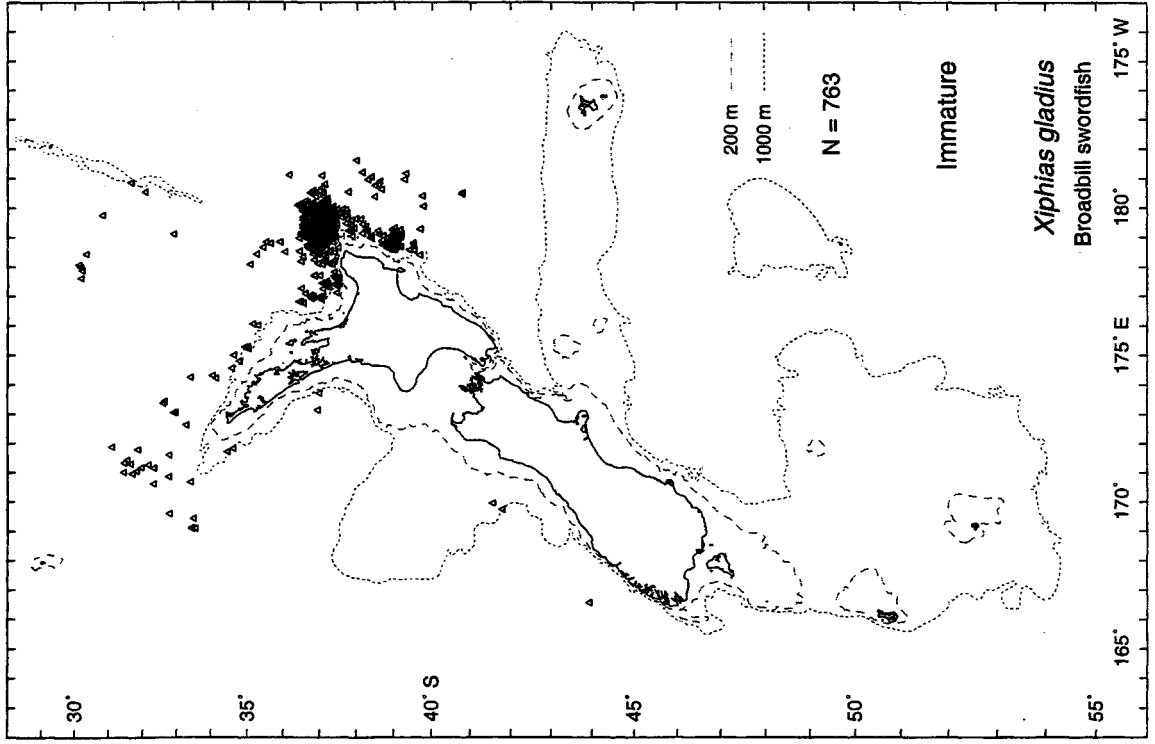
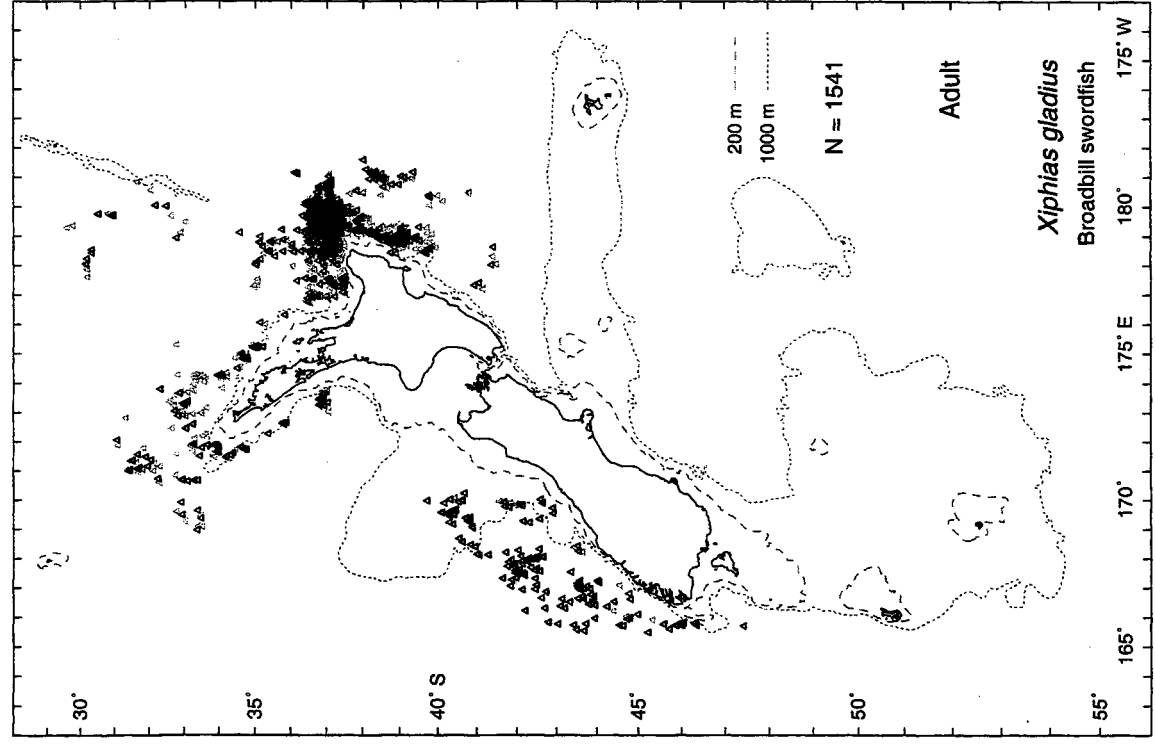
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Size at maturity is based on *T. declivis*. Stepien & Rosenblatt (1996) suggested that *T. murphyi* may not be a separate species from *T. symmetricus*. Juvenile plots are not presented for this species.



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Indexes

Index 1: Common names. Names in bold are as used on the plots, those not bolded are other occasionally used New Zealand common names. Section refers to the distribution maps (Bottom, bottom trawl; MW, midwater trawl; TLL, tuna longline); the Figure numbers refer to the overall length frequencies.

Common name	Scientific name	Section	
		Bottom	MW & TLL
Albacore tuna	<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>		4
Alfonsino	<i>Beryx splendens</i>	3a	
Arrow squid	<i>Nototodarus gouldi</i> & <i>N. sloanii</i>	2b	2b
Barracouta	<i>Thyrsites atun</i>	2c	2c
Bigeye cardinalfish	<i>Epigonus telescopus</i>	3a	
Bigeye tuna	<i>Thunnus obesus</i>		4
Black oreo	<i>Alloctytus niger</i>	3a	
Blue grenadier	<i>Macruronus novaezelandiae</i>	1	1
Blue mackerel	<i>Scomber australasicus</i>	3c	
Blue shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>		4
Blue warehou	<i>Seriolella brama</i>	2c	2c
Bluenose	<i>Hyperoglyphe antarctica</i>	2a	2a
Bonita	<i>Hyperoglyphe antarctica</i>	2a	2a
Broadbill swordfish	<i>Xiphias gladius</i>		4
Cardinalfish	<i>Epigonus telescopus</i>	3a	
Chilean mackerel	<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	2d	2d
Common warehou	<i>Seriolella brama</i>	2c	2c
Creamfish	<i>Parika scaber</i>	3b	
Dab	<i>Rhombosolea plebeia</i>	3c	
Dark ghost shark	<i>Hydrolagus novaezealandiae</i>	3a	
Deepsea cod	<i>Mora moro</i>	3b	
Eagle ray	<i>Myliobatis tenuicaudatus</i>	3b	
Elephantfish	<i>Callorhynchus milii</i>	3a	
English hake	<i>Merluccius australis</i>	2a	2a
English mackerel	<i>Scomber australasicus</i>	3c	
Gemfish	<i>Rexea solandri</i>	2b	2b
Ghost shark	<i>Hydrolagus novaezealandiae</i>	3a	
Giant stargazer	<i>Kathetostoma giganteum</i>	3b	
Googly eyed cod	<i>Mora moro</i>	3b	
Grey shark	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	1	1
Groper	<i>Polyprion oxygeneios</i>	3c	
Gummy shark	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	3b	
Gurnard	<i>Chelidonichthys kumu</i>	3a	
Hake	<i>Merluccius australis</i>	2a	2a
Hapuku	<i>Polyprion oxygeneios</i>	3c	
Hoki	<i>Macruronus novaezelandiae</i>	1	1
Jack mackerel	<i>Trachurus declivis</i>	2d	2d
	<i>Trachurus novaezelandiae</i>	2d	2d
Jack mackerel	<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	2d	2d
John dory	<i>Zeus faber</i>	3c	
Kahawai	<i>Arripis trutta</i>	3a	
Leather jacket	<i>Parika scaber</i>	3b	
Lemon sole	<i>Pelotretis flavilatis</i>	3c	
Ling	<i>Genypterus blacodes</i>	2a	2a
Lookdown dory	<i>Cyttus traversi</i>	3a	

Index 1 — continued

Common name	Scientific name	Bottom	MW & TLL
Mako	<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>		4
Monkfish	<i>Kathetostoma giganteum</i>	3b	
Murphy's mackerel	<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	2d	2d
New Zealand hake	<i>Merluccius australis</i>	2a	2a
Orange roughy	<i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>	2a	2a
Pale ghost shark	<i>Hydrolagus sp. B2</i>	3b	
Peruvian mackerel	<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	2d	2d
Pioke	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	3b	
Porbeagle shark	<i>Lamna nasus</i>		4
Ray's bream	<i>Brama brama</i>	1	1
Red cod	<i>Pseudophycis bachus</i>	2b	2b
Red gurnard	<i>Chelidonichthys kumu</i>	3a	
Ribaldo	<i>Mora moro</i>	3b	
Rig	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	3b	
Sand flounder	<i>Rhombosolea plebeia</i>	3c	
School shark	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	1	1
Shovelnose dogfish	<i>Deania calcea</i>	3a	
Silver trumpeter	<i>Callorhinchus milii</i>	3a	
Silver warehou	<i>Seriolella punctata</i>	2c	2c
Slender mackerel	<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	2d	2d
Smooth dory	<i>Pseudocyttus maculatus</i>	3c	
Smooth oreo	<i>Pseudocyttus maculatus</i>	3c	
Smoothhound	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	3b	
Snapper	<i>Pagrus auratus</i>	3b	
Snoek	<i>Thyrssites atun</i>	2c	2c
Southern blue whiting	<i>Micromesistius australis</i>	2b	2b
Southern bluefin tuna	<i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>		4
Southern kingfish	<i>Rexea solandri</i>	2b	2b
Southern spiny dogfish	<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	2c	2c
Spiky oreo	<i>Neocyttus rhomboidalis</i>	3b	
Spiny dogfish	<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	2c	2c
Spotted dogfish	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	3b	
Spotted oreo	<i>Pseudocyttus maculatus</i>	3c	
Spotted smoothhound	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	3b	
Spotted warehou	<i>Seriolella punctata</i>	2c	2c
Stargazer	<i>Kathetostoma giganteum</i>	3b	
Tarakihi	<i>Nemadactylus macropterus</i>	3b	
Tope	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	1	1
Trevally	<i>Pseudocaranx dentex</i>	3c	
White warehou	<i>Seriolella caerulea</i>	3c	
Yellow flounder	<i>Rhombosolea leporina</i>	3c	
Yellowbelly flounder	<i>Rhombosolea leporina</i>	3c	
Yellowfin tuna	<i>Thunnus albacares</i>		4

Index 2: Alphabetical list of families and species

Group	Family	Species or species group	
Cephalopoda Chondrichthyes	Ommastrephidae	<i>Nototodarus gouldii</i> & <i>N. sloanii</i>	
	Callorhynchidae	<i>Callorhynchus milii</i>	
	Carcharhinidae	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	
	Centrophoridae	<i>Deania calcea</i>	
	Chimaeridae	<i>Hydrolagus novaezealandiae</i>	
		<i>Hydrolagus sp. B2</i>	
	Lamnidae	<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>	
		<i>Lamna nasus</i>	
	Myliobatidae	<i>Myliobatis tenuicaudatus</i>	
	Squalidae	<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	
	Triakidae	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	
		<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	
	Teleostei	Arripidae	<i>Arripis trutta</i>
		Berycidae	<i>Beryx splendens</i>
Bramidae		<i>Brama brama</i>	
Carangidae		<i>Pseudocaranx dentex</i>	
		<i>Trachurus declivis</i>	
		<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	
		<i>Trachurus novaezealandiae</i>	
		Centrolophidae	<i>Hyperoglyphe antarctica</i>
		<i>Seriolella brama</i>	
<i>Seriolella caerulea</i>			
<i>Seriolella punctata</i>			
Cheilodactylidae		<i>Nemadactylus macropterus</i>	
Epigonidae		<i>Epigonus telescopus</i>	
Gadidae		<i>Micromesistius australis</i>	
Gempylidae		<i>Rexea solandri</i>	
		<i>Thyrsites atun</i>	
Merlucciidae		<i>Maruronus novaezealandiae</i>	
		<i>Merluccius australis</i>	
Monacanthidae		<i>Parika scaber</i>	
Moridae		<i>Mora moro</i>	
		<i>Pseudophycis bachus</i>	
Ophidiidae		<i>Genypterus blacodes</i>	
Oreosomatidae		<i>Allocyttus niger</i>	
		<i>Neocyttus rhomboidalis</i>	
		<i>Pseudocyttus maculatus</i>	
		<i>Pelotretis flavilatus</i>	
		<i>Rhombosolea leporina</i>	
<i>Rhombosolea plebeia</i>			
Polyprionidae		<i>Polyprion americanus</i>	
Scombridae		<i>Scomber australasicus</i>	
	<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>		
	<i>Thunnus albacares</i>		
	<i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>		
	<i>Thunnus obesus</i>		
	<i>Pagrus auratus</i>		
	<i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>		
Triglidae	<i>Chelidonichthys kumu</i>		
Uranoscopidae	<i>Kathetostoma giganteum</i>		
Xiphiidae	<i>Xiphias gladius</i>		
Zeidae	<i>Cyttus traversi</i>		
	<i>Zeus faber</i>		



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