

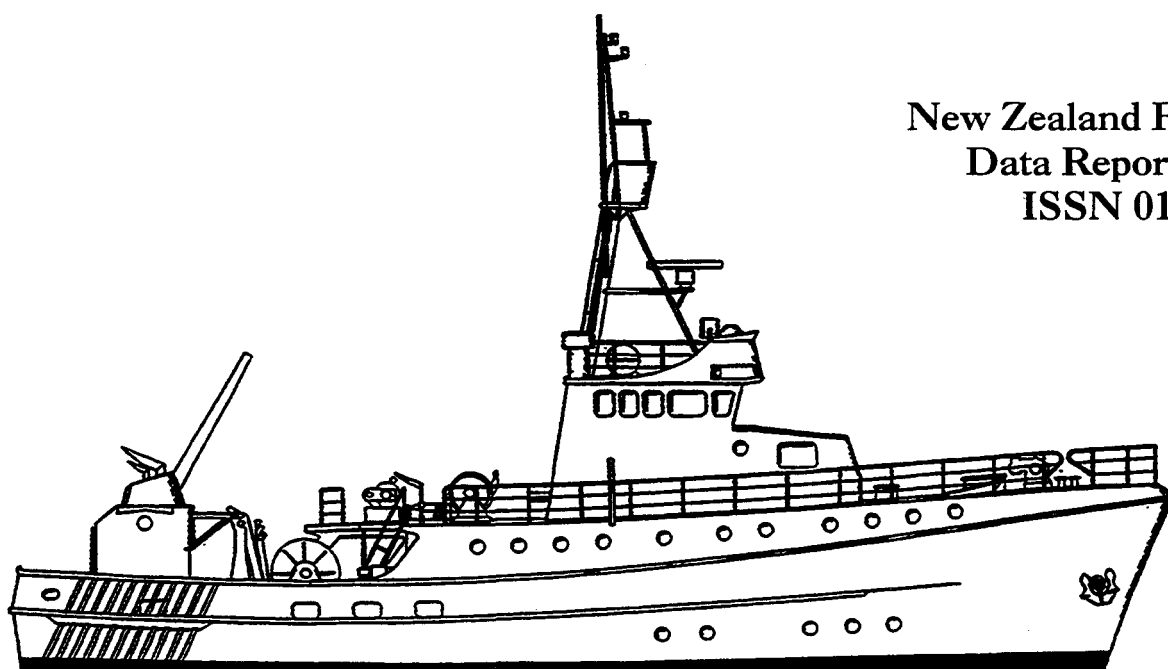
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## Introduction

This report presents results from the second in a time series of stratified random trawl surveys in depths between 20 and 400 m off the west coast of the South Island, and within Tasman and Golden Bays. The pilot *Kaharoa* trawl survey of this area (March-April 1990) was described by Drummond & Ryan (1992), and the first of the standardised time series of surveys (March-April 1992) by Drummond & Stevenson (1995).

The principal aim of the time series is to estimate the relative abundance of the species that are both important to the inshore fishery and are vulnerable to bottom trawl within the survey area over the survey period. The main species that meet these criteria are giant stargazer (*Kathetostoma giganteum*), red cod (*Pseudophycis bachus*), red gurnard (*Chelidonichthys kumu*), and tarakihi (*Nemadactylus macropterus*). A standardised index of relative abundance estimates for key inshore species from this time series will assist with stock assessment and management strategies.

This report describes the survey design and methods and provides stock assessment data for commercially important Individual Transferable Quota (ITQ) and non-ITQ species. The survey was carried out using RV *Kaharoa* between 18 March and 20 April 1994.

## Project objectives

1. To determine the distribution and develop a time series of relative abundance indices for species caught in the inshore waters of the west coast of the South Island and Tasman and Golden Bays.
2. To provide parameter inputs for the stock assessment of the primary species caught by collecting and analysing biological data, i.e., length and age frequency, weight, reproductive condition, and fecundity.

## Survey objectives

1. To obtain relative biomass data for giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, tarakihi, and other commercially important species sampled by bottom trawl in the inshore waters of the west coast of the South Island and Tasman and Golden Bays.
2. To collect data on the length, sex, and reproductive condition of giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, and tarakihi.
3. To collect otoliths from giant stargazer and red gurnard in support of an adaptive management programme for these species (*see* Francis & Hurst 1991).
4. To collect data on the length and sex of all other Individual Transferable Quota (ITQ) and selected non-ITQ species taken during the survey.
5. To tag lively school shark as part of a national study on the growth and movement of this species.
6. To collect rig and school shark vertebrae and elephantfish spines in support of an ageing study on these species.

## Project and voyage personnel

The project leader was K. Drummond. The survey was divided into two sections (18 March to 5 April, 6–20 April), with a changeover of vessel crew and scientific staff at the halfway stage. K. Drummond was the voyage leader and A. Aberdein the skipper during the first half. J. Hadfield and M. Stevenson shared the voyage leader role for the second leg and A. Muir was the skipper.

## Methods

### Survey area

The survey area covered depths of 20–400 m off the west coast of the South Island from Farewell Spit to Haast River mouth (25–400 m south of Karamea), and within Tasman and Golden Bays, inside a line drawn between Farewell Spit and Stephens Island (Figure 1). The 1994 survey area totalled 25 600 km<sup>2</sup>, about 41% of the 62 500 km<sup>2</sup> inside the 400 m depth contour within the Challenger Fishery Management Area (QMA7).

The depth range trawled reflected the distribution of the main species of interest. The area covered was the same as that surveyed in 1992 and stratum boundaries were retained (Figure 2). Within the survey area 85% of the ground was trawlable.

### Survey design

The survey used a two-phase stratified random design (*after* Francis 1984). The two-phase methodology was applied separately to the west coast and the Tasman and Golden Bay zones in recognition of the geographic separation of the two areas and the variable weather patterns anticipated on the west coast. All strata used during the 1992 survey were retained.

Before the survey began sufficient trawl stations to cover both first and second phase stations within each stratum were randomly generated by the computer programme 'rand\_stn v2.1' (*see* Vignaux 1994). The stations were required to be a minimum of 5.6 km (3 n. miles) apart, and each tow was 1 h long in daylight. Non-trawlable ground was identified before the voyage from data collected during previous trawl surveys in the area by RVs *W. J. Scott* (1981–83), *James Cook* (1983–84), and *Kaharoa* (1990). The distribution of the non-trawlable ground is given in Table 1.

For the two-phase methodology, giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, and tarakihi were designated as the target species. In total 80 stations were assigned to phase 1, with a minimum of 3 stations per stratum. The balance of phase 1 stations was allocated to minimise the variance of the expected catch rates of the target species, where the expected catch rates were assumed to be the combined catch rates obtained during the 1992 survey. Consequently, in 1994 more phase 1 effort was directed towards the Cape Foulwind to Greymouth area, and less from Greymouth to Okarito than in 1992. Phase 2 stations were aimed at improving the precision of biomass estimates for the target species and were allocated after phase 1 had been completed.

## **Vessel and gear**

RV *Kaharoa*, a 28 m stern trawler with a beam of 8.2 m, a displacement of 302 t, and engine power of 522 kW, is capable of trawling to depths of 500 m. The two-panel trawl net used during the survey was designed and constructed in 1991 specifically for South Island inshore trawl surveys. The net is based on an 'Alfredo' design, and is similar to one used during the 1980s for GRV *W. J. Scott* South Island surveys. The net was fitted with a 74 mm (inside measurement) knotless codend. Details of the net design were given by Drummond & Stevenson (1995).

Doorspread measurements were estimated from net trials conducted in 10–200 m during 1991–94 using the method of Koyama (1974). Estimates of doorspread ranged from 63 to 92 m, with an overall mean of about 79 m. Headline height was recorded from a netsonde for each tow during the survey, and varied between 4 and 5 m.

## **Trawling procedure**

All tows were undertaken in daylight and three to five tows a day were planned. For each tow the vessel steamed to the station position and, if necessary, the bottom was checked with the depth sounder. Once the tow was considered safe the gear was set away so that the midpoint of the tow would coincide as nearly as possible with the station position. The direction of the tow was influenced firstly by the combination of weather conditions and bottom contours, and secondly by the location of the next tow (to minimise steaming between stations).

If the station was in an area of foul or the depth was out of the stratum range, an area within 5 km of the station was searched and the station occupied if possible. If the search for clear ground was unsuccessful, the station was abandoned and the next station on the list was chosen. Standard tows were of 1 h at a speed over the ground of 3 kn: the distance covered was measured by GPS. The tow was deemed to have started when the netsonde showed that the net was on the bottom, and was completed when hauling began.

A minimum of 250 m of warp was used during towing. In depths below 60 m a reducing warp to depth ratio was employed, starting at 4 : 1 and dropping to 3 : 1 for depths below 150 m.

On station 12 the sweeps and bridles were damaged and were replaced. The original survey net was completely replaced after coming fast on station 15 (which was subsequently abandoned). The back-up net was then used for the rest of the survey.

## **Surface temperatures**

The surface temperature at each station was recorded from a hull-mounted sensor. The calibration of the sensor was uncertain, so surface temperatures are only relative. Bottom temperatures were not recorded because the sensor on the net monitor was not functioning.

## **Catch and biological sampling**

The catch was sorted into species on deck and weighed on 100 kg electronic motion-compensating Seaway scales to the nearest 0.1 kg. The weight of tagged school shark was estimated from the length weight coefficients given in Appendix 1.

Length, to the nearest whole centimetre below the actual length, and sex were recorded for all ITQ species, either for the whole catch or a randomly selected subsample of up to 200 fish per tow. Biological data were collected from a sample of up to 20 fish per tow for giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, and tarakihi, as well as kahawai, snapper, and turbot when they were caught, and consisted of individual fish length and weight, otoliths for ageing (giant stargazer and red gurnard), and gonad stages. The gonad stages were: 1, immature or resting; 2, maturing (oocytes visible in females); 3, mature (hyaline oocytes in females, milt expressible in males); 4, running ripe (eggs and milt free flowing); 5, spent.

Length weight coefficients were determined for giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, and tarakihi using the geometric mean functional relationship.

Lively school shark were measured, sexed, and tagged using a single dart tag, and released within minutes of being removed from the codend. For each tagged school shark a release factor was assigned on a scale of 1–3, with 1 corresponding to the fish swimming away slowly, 2 freely, and 3 vigorously. A handling factor, on the same 1–3 scale, was also recorded to assess the liveliness of individual sharks before release.

## Data analysis

Relative biomass was estimated by the area-swept method described by Francis (1981, 1989) using the Trawlsurvey Analysis Program described by Vignaux (1994).

The following assumptions were made.

1. The area swept during each tow equalled the distance between the doors multiplied by the distance towed (doorspread was estimated at 79 m from gear trials and distance towed was usually 3 n. miles).
2. Vulnerability was 1.0. This assumes that all fish in the volume swept were caught and there was no escapement.
3. Vertical availability was 1.0. This assumes that all fish in the water column were below the headline height and available to the net.
4. Areal availability was 1.0. This assumes that the fishstock being sampled was entirely within the area sampled at the time of the survey.
5. Within the survey area, fish were distributed evenly over both trawlable and non-trawlable ground.

Although these assumptions are unlikely to be correct, their adoption provides the basis for a time series of relative biomass estimates. All assumptions are consistent with those of Drummond & Stevenson (1995).

A combined biomass and length frequency analysis was used for species for which biomass above and below a specific size was required, and for deriving weighted length frequency distributions. The length weight coefficients used are given in Appendix 1. All length frequencies were scaled by the percentage of catch sampled, area swept (function of doorspread and distance towed), and stratum area using the Trawlsurvey Analysis Program.

All stations where the gear performance code was 1 or 2 were used for biomass estimation. This excluded 1 of the 117 stations completed and a station that was abandoned early in the tow after the net came fast.



## Results

### Trawl stations

Seventy-eight phase 1 stations and 38 phase 2 stations were successfully completed (Figure 1, Table 1, Appendix 2). Of the 80 planned phase 1 stations, 1 in stratum 13 was not completed and 1 in stratum 2 was occupied during phase 2 instead. Only 1 day was lost to bad weather during the voyage. There were short breaks in the programme to repair nets and to unload the catch. At least three stations were completed in all 16 strata. An overall station density of one per 221 km<sup>2</sup> was achieved.

### Catch composition

A total of 86.2 t of fish was caught during the 116 successful tows at an average of 735 kg per tow (range 68–4039 kg). Amongst the wetfish catch, 1 agnathan, 21 elasmobranchs, and 63 teleosts were recorded, together with 3 cephalopods and 4 crustaceans (other than crabs). Other bivalves and crabs were caught, but not always identified. Southern spiny dogfish and barracouta made up 35% of the catch by weight (Table 2, Appendix 3).

Giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, and tarakihi made up 6.8, 12.9, 1.7, and 5.3% of the catch, respectively. Southern spiny dogfish, barracouta, arrow squid, and witch flounder were each caught in over 90% of the tows.

### Catch rates and species distribution

Distributions and catch rates for all species combined are shown in Figure 4. (N.B., catch rates are given in terms of kg.km<sup>-2</sup>, hence a catch rate of 1000 kg.km<sup>-2</sup> equates to a catch of 440 kg in a standard tow as it covers 0.44 km<sup>2</sup> on average.) All total catch rates over 5000 kg.km<sup>-2</sup> were made south of Greymouth, as were most of the catch rates over 2000 kg.km<sup>-2</sup>.

Catch rates for the 11 most abundant ITQ species in the catch and the most abundant species overall (southern spiny dogfish) are shown in Figure 2. The catch rates for the 20 most abundant species are given in Table 3.

### Biomass estimation

Relative biomass estimates for the top 20 species in the catch are given by subarea in Table 4. For species subject to a regulatory or processing size limit, estimates above a given size are provided. For red cod the processing size varies between years (38 cm in 1992, 45 cm in 1994, and 40 cm in 1995). The 38 cm size limit is used as the minimum size of recruited red cod in this report. The relative biomass estimates for the four target species are broken down by stratum in Table 5.

### Surface temperature

Surface water temperatures are shown in Figure 3 and included in Appendix 2.

## School shark tagging

One hundred and thirty-one school shark (52 male and 79 female) were tagged and released. The total length of tagged school shark ranged from 53 to 150 cm.

## Length frequency and biological data

The numbers of length frequency and biological samples taken during the survey are given in Table 6. The scaled length frequency distributions for the 11 most abundant ITQ species, together with blue cod, blue warehou, hake, jack mackerel (three species separately), and silver warehou are given Figure 4.

Length weight relationships for the four target species are given in Appendix 1.

## Target species

**Giant stargazer.** Virtually all (99%) of the relative biomass estimate of 1634 t (*c.v.* = 17%) was south of Cape Foulwind, and 65% was within the 100–200 m depth range (*see* Table 5). The sex ratios were 0.85 : 1 inside 100 m, 1.57 : 1 in 100–200 m, and 1.13 : 1 in 200–400 m (Figure 21). Virtually all female stargazer below 50 cm were immature or had resting gonads. Above this size most had maturing gonads (*see* Table 7).

**Red cod.** Of the estimated total biomass of 3587 t (*c.v.* = 18%), 2871 t (*c.v.* = 20%) was recruited biomass ( $\geq 38$  cm) (*see* Table 4). Most (91%) of the biomass was inside 200 m on the west coast. The length frequency data show two dominant cohorts present at the time of the survey, aged 1+ and 2+ years. The sex ratio in Tasman and Golden Bays favoured females (0.31 : 1), while on the west coast it favoured males at all depths (1.43 : 1 inside 100 m, 2.41:1 in 100–200 m, and 7.29 : 1 in 200–400 m) (*see* Figure 4). Most female red cod examined had immature or resting gonads, with some large fish on the west coast at later stages of reproductive development (*see* Table 7).

**Red gurnard.** The relative biomass estimate of 605 t (*c.v.* = 15%) was almost equally divided between Tasman and Golden Bays (48%) and the west coast (52%) (*see* Table 5). The recruited biomass estimate ( $\geq 30$  cm) was 519 t (*c.v.* = 16%). Virtually all red gurnard biomass was inside 100 m. The sex ratio was 0.85 : 1 in Tasman and Golden Bays and 2.34 : 1 on the west coast (*see* Figure 4). On the west coast female gonads were generally well developed or running ripe. In Tasman and Golden Bays female gonads were typically spent or developing (*see* Table 7).

**Tarakihi.** The relative biomass of tarakihi (all sizes) was 1672 t (*c.v.* = 13%), with 87% (*c.v.* = 12%) recruited ( $\geq 24$  cm) (*see* Table 4). The length frequency data for Tasman and Golden Bays consisted of three successive cohorts of ages 1–3 years, confirming that these bays are important nursery areas for tarakihi. Of these year classes only the 3 year old fish were present on the west coast. In total, 88% of the tarakihi biomass was on the west coast, and most of this (72%) was in 100–200 m depth (*see* Table 5). The sex ratios in this area were 0.47 : 1 inside 100 m, 0.55 : 1 in 100–200 m, and 2.74 : 1 in 200–400 m (*see* Figure 4). There was little reproductive development in tarakihi below 30 cm, but for bigger fish a full range of gonad stages was recorded (*see* Table 7). A high proportion of tarakihi gonads

sampled in southern waters (south of Greymouth) were at late stages of maturity or running ripe.

## Discussion

Favourable weather conditions and improved definition of untrawlable ground contributed to the overall success of the 1994 survey. For the second successive survey the c.v.s for the four target species (giant stargazer, red cod, red gurnard, and tarakihi) were below 20%. This result suggests that the survey design provides satisfactory indices of abundance for each of these species. For giant stargazer, the length frequency data suggest that pre-recruits are not well sampled by this survey, hence the relative abundance estimate mainly applies to recruited fish.

The best precision (c.v. = 7%) was associated with the relative biomass estimate for southern spiny dogfish, which was also the species caught in the greatest quantity (16.9 t or 19.6% of the total catch).

The completion of a third survey in 1995 will establish a time series of relative abundance estimates and should allow meaningful conclusions to be drawn on recent trends in size distribution and abundance for a number of these species. Improved monitoring of trawl net performance will further enhance the value of these surveys.

Doorspread is known to vary with depth and bottom conditions, but the biomass estimates presented in this report assume a constant spread of 79 m. For the 1995 survey, Scanmar sensors will be fitted to allow doorspread to be monitored throughout each tow and the relationship between doorspread and depth to be established. Biomass estimates and scaled length frequency distributions for the 1992 and 1994 surveys should then be recalculated.

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**Table 1: Stratum depth ranges, survey area, non-trawlable area, number of successful phase 1 and phase 2 stations, and station density.**

Stratum	Depth (m)	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Non-trawlable area (km <sup>2</sup> )	<u>Number of stations</u>		Station density ( no. per km <sup>2</sup> )
				Phase 1	Phase 2	
1	20–100	1 345	98	3	0	1:448
2	100–200	4 302	303	3	7	1:430
5	25–100	1 224	0	3	0	1:408
6	100–200	3 233	238	3	4	1:461
7	25–100	927	0	6	1	1:132
8	100–200	2 354	214	5	5	1:235
9	200–400	1 877	1 456	3	0	1:626
11	25–100	1 438	63	10	2	1:120
12	100–200	1 948	338	11	3	1:139
13	200–400	1 206	693	9	0	1:134
14	25–100	851	35	4	2	1:141
15	100–200	905	215	6	7	1:70
16	200–400	295	13	3	2	1:59
17	20–33	307	27	3	0	1:102
18	20–42	949	9	3	3	1:158
19	20–70	2 431	125	3	2	1:486
Total (average)		25 592	3 827	78	38	1:221

Table 2: Species caught, total weight, and number of stations out of 117 at which species occurred

Common name	Scientific name	Code	Catch (kg)	% of total catch	Occurrence
Spiny dogfish	<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	SPD	16 932.0	20	107
Arracouta	<i>Thyrsites atun</i>	BAR	13 024.4	15	108
Red cod	<i>Pseudophycis bachus</i>	RCO	11 088.9	13	93
Macrourids	Macrouridae	RAT	7 415.2	9	75
Giant stargazer	<i>Kathetostoma giganteum</i>	STA	5 911.1	7	83
Trakihi	<i>Nemadactylus macropterus</i>	TAR	4 553.0	5	98
Arrow squid	<i>Nototodarus sloanii</i>	SQU	3 016.7	3	116
Hooki	<i>Macruronus novaezelandiae</i>	HOK	2 722.5	3	54
Shoal shark	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	SCH	2 212.4	3	91
Harpet shark	<i>Cephaloscyllium isabella</i>	CAR	1 755.1	2	98
Red gurnard	<i>Chelidonichthys kumu</i>	GUR	1 479.9	2	48
Ang	<i>Genypterus blacodes</i>	LIN	1 416.8	2	63
Shark ghost shark	<i>Hydrolagus novaezelandiae</i>	GSH	1 403.5	2	41
Sea perch	<i>Helicolenus</i> spp.	SPE	1 288.9	1	81
Smooth skate	<i>Raja innominata</i>	SSK	1 259.7	1	49
Big	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	SPO	1 211.2	1	67
Witch	<i>Arnoglossus scapha</i>	WIT	945.6	1	106
Small gurnard	<i>Lepidotrigla brachyoptera</i>	SCG	890.0	1	95
Common roughy	<i>Paratrachichthys trailli</i>	RHY	840.5	< 1	9
Elephantfish	<i>Callorhynchus milii</i>	ELE	606.3	< 1	14
Smooth skate	<i>Raja nasuta</i>	RSK	569.1	< 1	53
Hand flounder	<i>Rhombosolea plebeia</i>	SFL	565.7	< 1	18
Snake	<i>Merluccius australis</i>	HAK	425.4	< 1	46
Murphy's mackerel	<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	JMM	415.1	< 1	51
Parajacket	<i>Parika scaber</i>	LEA	314.1	< 1	14
Electric ray	<i>Torpedo fairchildi</i>	ERA	287.0	< 1	16
Dotty	<i>Notolabrus celidotus</i>	STY	272.2	< 1	11
Spiny dogfish	<i>Squalus blainvillei</i>	NSD	267.6	< 1	37
Blue warehou	<i>Seriola brama</i>	WAR	265.1	< 1	39
Emfish	<i>Rexea solandri</i>	SKI	252.5	< 1	15
Black mackerel	<i>Trachurus declivis</i>	JMD	248.4	< 1	61
W. sole, common sole	<i>Peltorhamphus novaezelandiae</i>	ESO	236.9	< 1	19
Common sole	<i>Pelotretis flavilatus</i>	LSO	216.8	< 1	60
Orange mackerel	<i>Trachurus novaezelandiae</i>	JMN	173.3	< 1	22
Cucumber fish	<i>Clorophthalmus nigripinnis</i>	CUC	147.2	< 1	40
Blue warehou	<i>Seriola punctata</i>	SWA	127.2	< 1	48
Blue cod	<i>Parapercis colias</i>	BCO	123.4	< 1	13
Blue dory	<i>Cyttus novaezelandiae</i>	SDO	107.4	< 1	18
Longer eel	<i>Conger</i> spp.	CON	105.2	< 1	13
Shin dory	<i>Zeus faber</i>	JDO	102.0	< 1	22
Rockfish	<i>Lepidopus caudatus</i>	FRO	101.6	< 1	30
Apron dory	<i>Capromimus abbreviatus</i>	CDO	99.5	< 1	41
Apuku	<i>Polyprion oxygeneios</i>	HAP	96.2	< 1	12
Slender smoothhound	<i>Gollum attenuatus</i>	SSH	93.9	< 1	7
Yellow-eyed mullet	<i>Aldrichetta forsteri</i>	YEM	56.4	< 1	6
Velinfish	<i>Lepidorhynchus denticulatus</i>	JAV	47.7	< 1	16
Harpsnouted sevenshell shark	<i>Hepttranchias perlo</i>	HEP	46.9	< 1	2
Snapper	<i>Pagrus auratus</i>	SNA	46.4	< 1	5
Blue shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	BWS	44.1	< 1	1

Table 2—continued

Common name	Scientific name	Code	Catch (kg)	% of total catch	Occurrence
Silverside	<i>Argentina elongata</i>	SSI	40.2	< 1	60
Deepsea flathead	<i>Hoplichthys haswelli</i>	FHD	39.8	< 1	6
Pufferfish	<i>Sphoeroides</i> spp.	PUF	36.3	< 1	6
Stingray	<i>Dasyatis</i> spp.	STR	35.0	< 1	1
Red mullet	<i>Upeneichthys lineatus</i>	RMU	25.3	< 1	6
Orange perch	<i>Lepidoperca</i> spp.	OPE	22.6	< 1	1
Seal shark	<i>Scymnorhinus licha</i>	BSH	21.8	< 1	1
Sixgill shark	<i>Hexanchus griseus</i>	HEX	19.1	< 1	2
Numbfish	<i>Typhlonarke</i> spp.	BER	18.4	< 1	5
Turbot	<i>Colistium nudipinnis</i>	TUR	15.1	< 1	5
Octopus	<i>Octopus maorum</i>	OCT	14.5	< 1	18
Trevally	<i>Pseudocaranx dentex</i>	TRE	14.4	< 1	4
Bluenose	<i>Hyperoglyphe antarctica</i>	BNS	13.3	< 1	2
Brill	<i>Colistium guntheri</i>	BRI	9.2	< 1	5
Sprat	<i>Sprattus</i> spp.	SPR	9.1	< 1	23
Longtailed skate	<i>Arhynchobaris asperrimus</i>	LSK	7.9	< 1	4
Swollenheaded conger	<i>Bassanago bulbiceps</i>	SCO	6.9	< 1	2
Thresher shark	<i>Alopias vulpinus</i>	THR	6.7	< 1	2
Broad squid	<i>Sepioteuthis australis</i>	BSQ	6.3	< 1	6
Lookdown dory	<i>Cyttus traversi</i>	LDO	6.0	< 1	2
Spotted stargazer	<i>Genyagnus monopterygius</i>	SPZ	6.0	< 1	3
Kahawai	<i>Arripis trutta</i>	KAH	4.7	< 1	2
Eagle ray	<i>Myliobatis tenuicaudatus</i>	EGR	4.3	< 1	1
Pigfish	<i>Congiopodus leucopaecilus</i>	PIG	3.8	< 1	12
Dredge oyster	<i>Tiostrea chilensis</i>	OYS	2.8	< 1	5
Prawn killer	<i>Ibacus alticrenatus</i>	PRK	2.6	< 1	17
Bluntnosed skate	<i>Bathyraja</i> spp.	BTH	2.5	< 1	2
Ahuru	<i>Auchenoceros punctatus</i>	PCO	2.3	< 1	13
Redbait	<i>Emmelichthys nitidus</i>	RBT	2.3	< 1	8
Northern bastard cod	<i>Pseudophycis breviuscula</i>	BRC	2.0	< 1	1
Spiny sea dragon	<i>Solegnathus spinosissimus</i>	SDR	1.9	< 1	8
Yellowbelly flounder	<i>Rhombosolea leporina</i>	YBF	1.7	< 1	2
Hagfish	<i>Eptatretus cirrhatus</i>	HAG	1.3	< 1	1
Scallop	<i>Pecten novaezelandiae</i>	SCA	1.3	< 1	5
Crab	Crustacea	CRB	0.8	< 1	6
Rock lobster	<i>Jasus edwardsii</i>	CRA	0.7	< 1	1
Quinnat salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	SAM	0.7	< 1	1
Yellow boarfish	<i>Pentaceros decacanthus</i>	YBO	0.7	< 1	2
Anchovy	<i>Engraulis australis</i>	ANC	0.6	< 1	6
Opalfish	<i>Hemerocoetes</i> spp.	OPA	0.5	< 1	6
Unidentified crustacean	Crustacea	CRU	0.4	< 1	5
Toadfish	<i>Neophrynichthys latus</i>	TOD	0.4	< 1	3
Yellow cod	<i>Paraperca gilliesi</i>	YCO	0.4	< 1	1
Scampi	<i>Metanephrops challengerii</i>	SCI	0.3	< 1	3
Pilchard	<i>Sardinops neopilchardus</i>	PIL	0.2	< 1	2
Unidentified fish	Unidentified telost	UNI	0.2	< 1	1
Porcupine fish	<i>Allomycterus jaculiferus</i>	POP	0.0	< 1	7
			86 241.3		

**Table 3: Mean catch rates (to the nearest whole kg.km<sup>-2</sup>) for the 20 most abundant species by stratum\***

**ITQ species**

<b>West coast</b>												<b>Species code</b>
<b>Stratum</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>BAR</b>	<b>RCO</b>	<b>STA</b>	<b>TAR</b>	<b>SQU</b>	<b>HOK</b>	<b>SCH</b>	<b>GUR</b>	<b>LIN</b>	<b>SPO</b>	<b>ELE</b>
1	20–100	283	9	4	0	39	0	13	42	0	9	0
5	25–100	954	89	2	0	92	0	3	14	0	23	4
7	25–100	124	556	0	1	9	0	34	88	27	87	94
11	25–100	268	494	59	39	90	43	50	25	27	36	53
14	25–100	220	445	11	36	13	0	44	131	12	77	15
2	100–200	31	78	1	31	33	0	44	1	0	3	0
6	100–200	91	123	6	53	39	0	199	1	0	2	0
8	100–200	232	61	132	112	67	23	44	1	2	5	0
12	100–200	577	113	268	192	107	342	47	0	11	10	0
15	100–200	254	495	253	124	47	103	31	0	46	25	0
9	200–400	65	0	5	11	30	0	6	0	0	0	0
13	200–400	44	59	188	214	109	78	2	0	81	8	0
16	200–400	88	72	688	170	60	166	32	0	247	6	0
<b>Tasman and Golden Bays</b>												
17	20–33	137	23	4	36	42	0	11	112	5	101	0
18	20–42	563	194	2	170	33	1	23	157	0	19	0
19	20–70	291	13	1	11	70	0	32	45	0	20	0

**Non-ITQ species**

<b>West coast</b>											<b>Species code</b>
<b>Stratum</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>SPD</b>	<b>RAT</b>	<b>CAR</b>	<b>GSP</b>	<b>SPE</b>	<b>SSK</b>	<b>WIT</b>	<b>SCG</b>	<b>RHY</b>	
1	20–100	407	70	50	1	7	17	2	30	0	
5	25–100	418	536	44	0	0	10	3	32	0	
7	25–100	195	160	49	0	0	0	14	3	0	
11	25–100	440	161	47	0	0	0	16	21	0	
14	25–100	267	5	21	1	0	5	78	8	0	
2	100–200	297	0	30	71	14	10	0	26	0	
6	100–200	370	355	30	108	12	33	0	19	0	
8	100–200	700	49	56	45	46	13	2	12	0	
12	100–200	576	166	31	0	46	18	13	13	6	
15	100–200	321	514	17	2	25	50	59	56	70	
9	200–400	0	0	26	0	1	1	0	0	0	
13	200–400	118	23	70	32	103	37	7	1	107	
16	200–400	18	32	33	190	64	221	10	0	4	
<b>Tasman and Golden Bays</b>											
17	20–33	73	1	3	0	11	0	41	0	0	
18	20–42	305	0	6	0	3	0	24	3	0	
19	20–70	85	0	8	0	12	0	6	12	0	

\* Species codes are given in Table 2.



**Table 4: Relative doorspread biomass estimates of the 20 most abundant species by sub-area**

Common name	<u>Tasman and Golden Bays</u>		<u>West coast</u>		<u>Total survey area</u>	
	Biomass (t)	c.v. (%)	Biomass (t)	c.v. (%)	Biomass (t)	c.v. (%)
Southern spiny dogfish	519	22	7 781	7	8 300	7
Barracouta	1 283	33	4 766	17	6 049	15
Red cod	222	37	3 365	19	3 587	18
Red cod (38+ cm)	156	54	2 716	21	2 871	20
Rattails	1	56	3 222	42	3 223	42
Tarakihi	201	59	1 472	13	1 672	13
Tarakihi (25+ cm)	29	74	1 433	12	1 461	12
Giant stargazer	6	47	1 628	17	1 634	17
Arrow squid	213	25	1 195	10	1 408	9
School shark	102	32	1 241	45	1 343	41
Hoki	1	93	1 020	50	1 021	50
Hoki (65+ cm)	0		92	21	92	21
Dark ghost shark	0		859	14	859	14
Carpet shark	26	35	827	9	853	9
Red gurnard	293	16	312	25	605	15
Red gurnard (30+ cm)	219	17	300	25	519	16
Ling	2	44	314	21	316	21
Sea perch	35	78	475	18	510	18
Scaly gurnard	32	68	400	20	432	19
Rig	99	24	322	11	421	10
Smooth skate	0		410	18	411	18
Witch	51	22	206	26	256	21
Common roughy	0		206	62	206	62
Elephantfish	0		181	33	181	33

**Table 5: Estimates of relative biomass (to the nearest whole tonne) for the four target species by stratum**

Stratum	Depth (m)	Red cod		Giant stargazer		Red gurnard		Tarakihi	
		Biomass (t)	% of total	Biomass (t)	% of total	Biomass (t)	% of total	Biomass (t)	% of total
West coast									
1	20–100	13	0	6	0	57	9	0	0
5	20–100	109	3	2	0	17	3	0	0
7	20–100	516	14	0	0	81	13	1	0
11	20–100	711	20	84	5	36	6	55	3
14	20–100	379	11	9	1	112	18	30	2
2	100–200	337	9	3	0	4	1	133	8
6	100–200	397	11	20	1	4	1	172	10
8	100–200	144	4	311	19	2	0	264	16
12	100–200	220	6	523	32	0	0	375	22
15	100–200	448	12	229	14	0	0	112	7
9	200–400	0	0	10	1	0	0	21	1
13	200–400	72	2	227	14	0	0	258	15
16	200–400	21	1	203	12	0	0	50	3
Subtotal		3 365	94	1 628	100	312	52	1 472	88
Tasman and Golden Bays									
17	20–33	7	0	1	0	34	6	11	1
18	20–42	184	5	2	0	149	25	162	10
19	20–70	32	1	3	0	110	18	28	2
Subtotal		222	6	6	0	293	48	201	12
Total		3 587		1 634		605		1 672	

**Table 6: Number of length frequency and biological samples collected**

	<u>Length frequency</u>		<u>Biological data</u>	
	No. of samples	No. of fish	No. of samples	No. of fish
Barracouta	109	6 346	0	0
Blue cod	14	311	0	0
Bluenose	2	2	0	0
Brill	6	12	0	0
Broad squid	2	4	0	0
Elephantfish	15	198	0	0
English sole	20	791	0	0
Dark ghost shark	41	1 228	0	0
Red gurnard	48	2 875	47	657
Hake	44	1 905	3	48
Hapuku	13	16	1	1
Hoki	55	7 946	0	0
John dory	23	82	0	0
Jack mackerel	62	368	0	0
Murphy's mackerel	52	374	0	0
Horse mackerel	23	525	0	0
Kahawai	2	2	2	2
Ling	64	814	0	0
Lemon sole	60	902	0	0
Red cod	92	7 965	92	1 713
Common roughy	2	112	0	0
Quinnat salmon	1	1	0	0
School shark	87	809	0	0
Sand flounder	16	1 376	0	0
Gemfish	16	97	0	0
Snapper	6	10	5	10
Rig	68	601	0	0
Spotted stargazer	4	7	0	0
Arrow squid	113	5 515	0	0
Giant stargazer	82	1 480	82	860
Silver warehou	49	698	0	0
Tarakihi	99	4 724	94	1 501
Thresher shark	1	1	0	0
Trevally	5	7	0	0
Turbot	6	8	0	0
Blue warehou	39	394	0	0
Yellowbelly flounder	3	4	0	0

**Table 7: Numbers of the four primary species sampled at each reproductive stage**

Total length (cm)	Males Gonad stage					Females Gonad stage					
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Giant stargazer											
West coast											
11-20	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
21-30	23	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	
31-40	30	8	1	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	
41-50	28	63	35	5	2	22	2	1	0	0	
51-60	18	91	71	5	0	40	46	4	0	5	
61-70	2	24	10	0	0	16	176	38	1	6	
71-80	0	1	0	0	0	1	25	5	0	2	
Total	102	187	117	10	2	113	249	48	1	13	842
Tasman and Golden Bays											
11-20	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	
21-30	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	
31-40	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	
41-50	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Total	10	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	18
Red cod											
West coast											
11-20	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	
21-30	202	8	7	1	0	80	0	1	0	1	
31-40	193	38	34	17	2	108	0	1	0	0	
41-50	126	53	37	31	2	123	1	0	0	0	
51-60	33	44	53	45	3	154	25	9	0	9	
61-70	3	0	3	0	0	59	11	9	0	8	
71-80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Total	561	143	134	94	7	530	37	21	0	18	1 545
Tasman and Golden Bays											
11-20	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	
21-30	17	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	
31-40	17	0	0	0	0	52	0	0	0	0	
41-50	2	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	
51-60	0	1	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	
61-70	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	2	
71-80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Total	38	1	0	0	0	124	0	0	0	3	166

**Table 7—continued**

Fork length (cm)	Males Gonad stage					Females Gonad stage					
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>Red gurnard</b>											
<b>West coast</b>											
11–20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
21–30	12	19	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
31–40	37	136	15	11	7	3	14	37	14	19	
41–50	3	9	1	1	0	0	20	25	8	9	
51–60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Total	52	164	19	12	7	3	34	62	22	29	404
<b>Tasman and Golden Bays</b>											
11–20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
21–30	37	11	0	0	0	19		2	0	19	
31–40	9	21	0	0	0	30	5	2	0	63	
41–50	2	1	0	0	0	4	3	2	0	22	
Total	49	33	0	0	0	53	8	6	0	104	253
<b>Tarakihi</b>											
<b>West coast</b>											
11–20	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	
21–30	119	3	4	1	11	117	8	0	0	2	
31–40	32	25	39	80	25	101	231	15	12	24	
41–50	1	12	14	26	9	29	273	43	14	20	
51–60	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Total	154	41	57	107	45	251	513	58	26	46	1 298
<b>Tasman and Golden Bays</b>											
11–20	42	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	
21–30	44	0	0	0	0	390	1	0	0	0	
Total	86	0	0	0	0	425	1	0	0	0	512

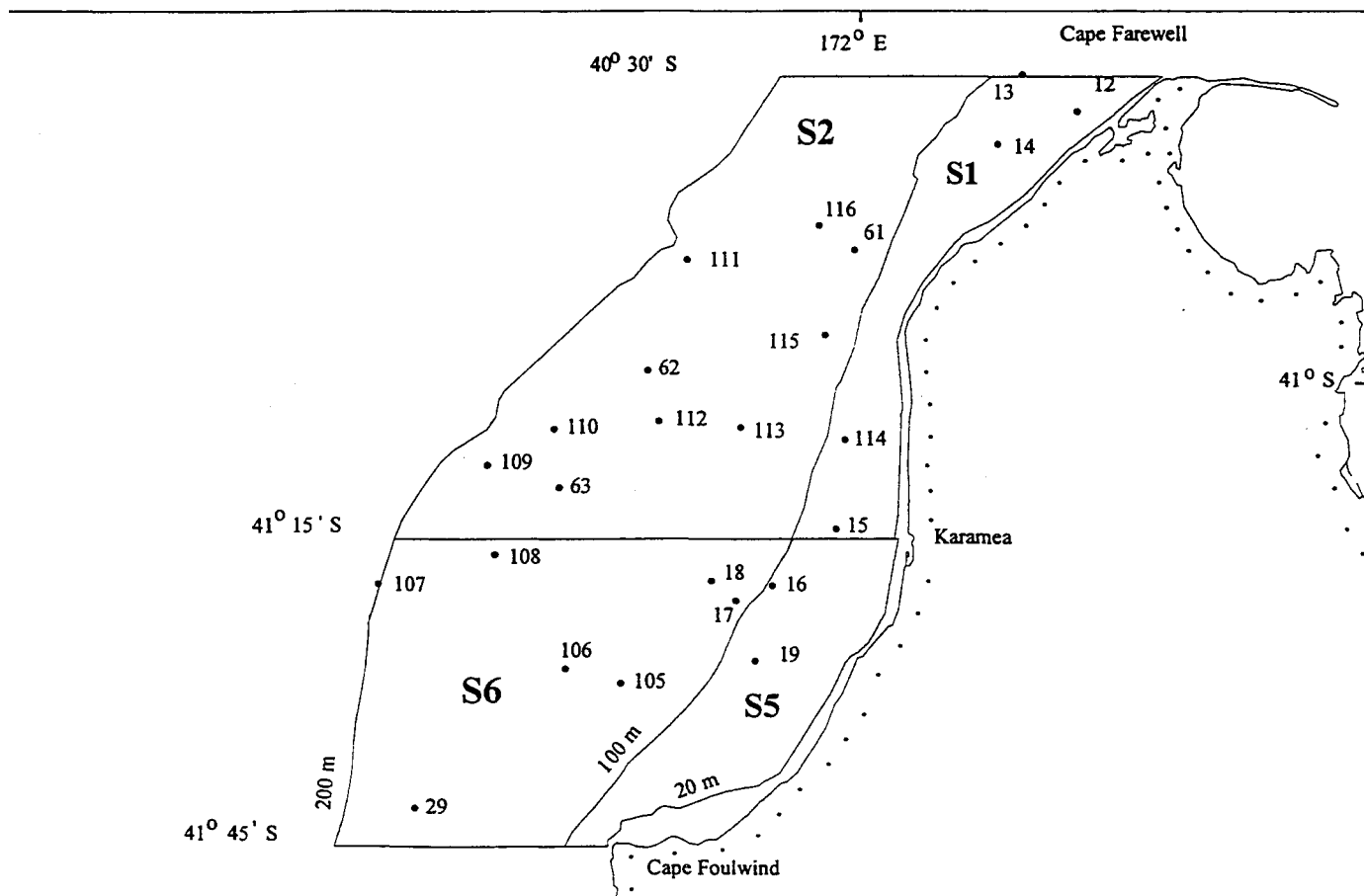
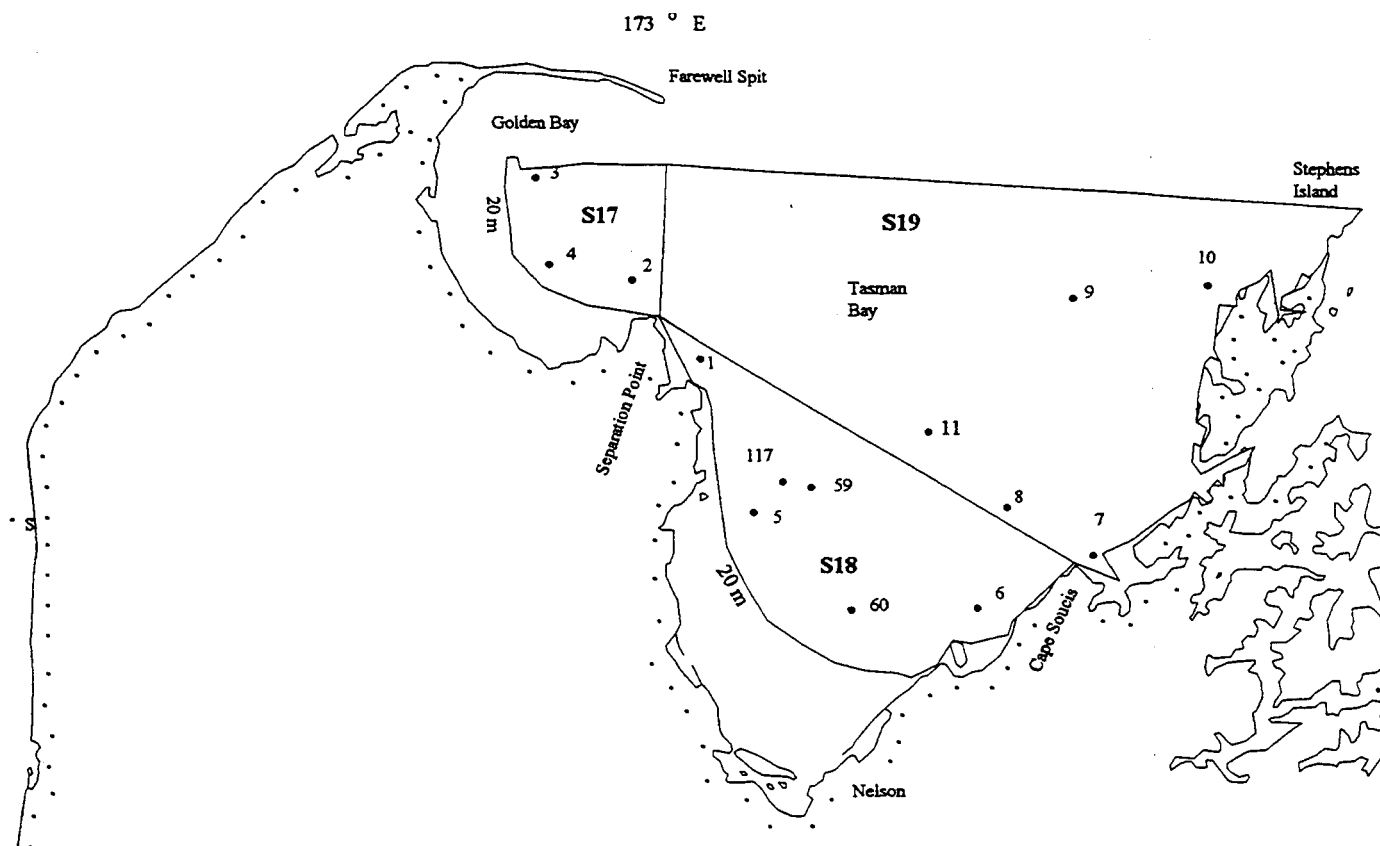


Figure 1a: Stratum boundaries (west coast north of Cape Foulwind and Tasman and Golden Bays) with station positions and numbers.

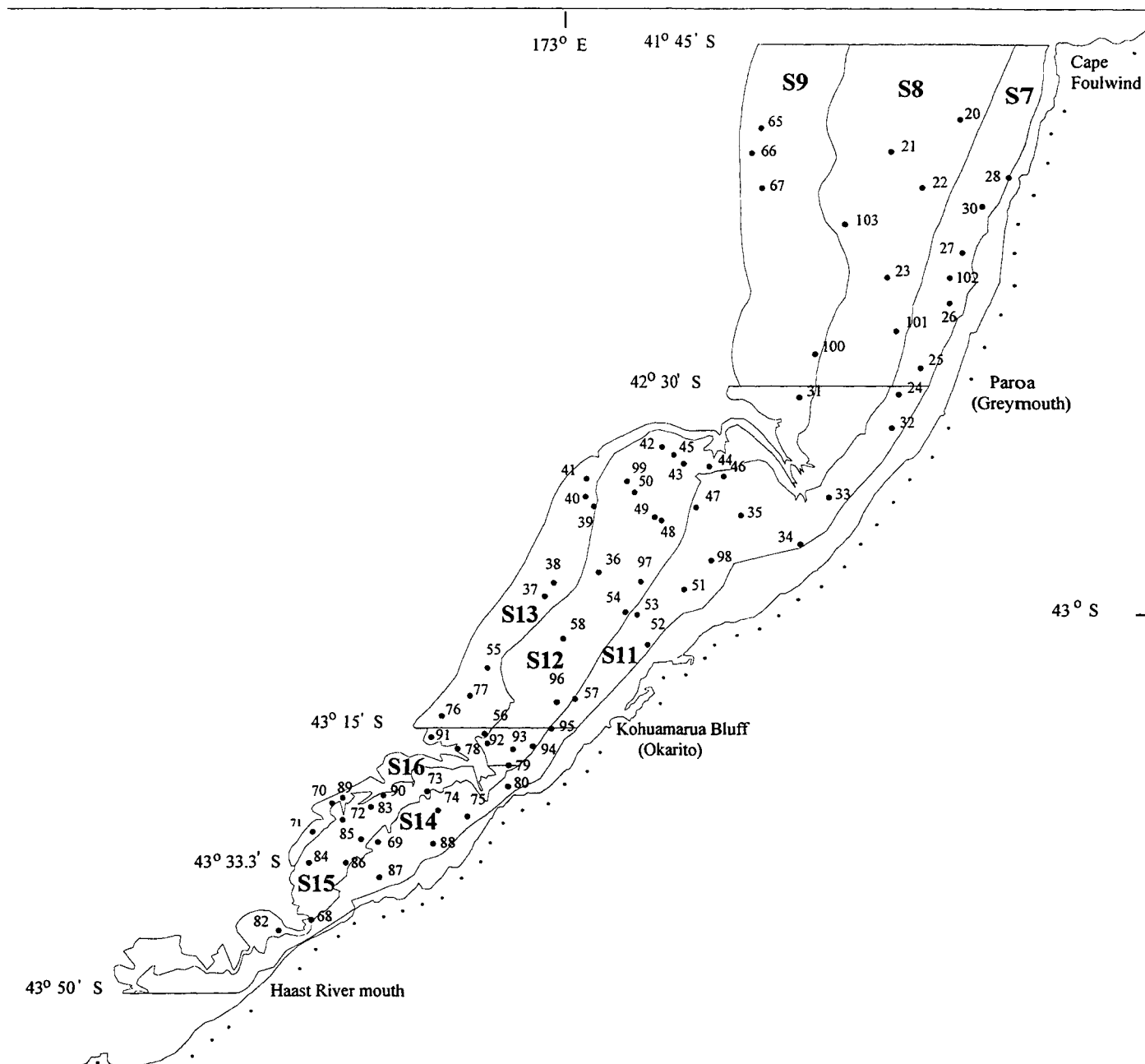
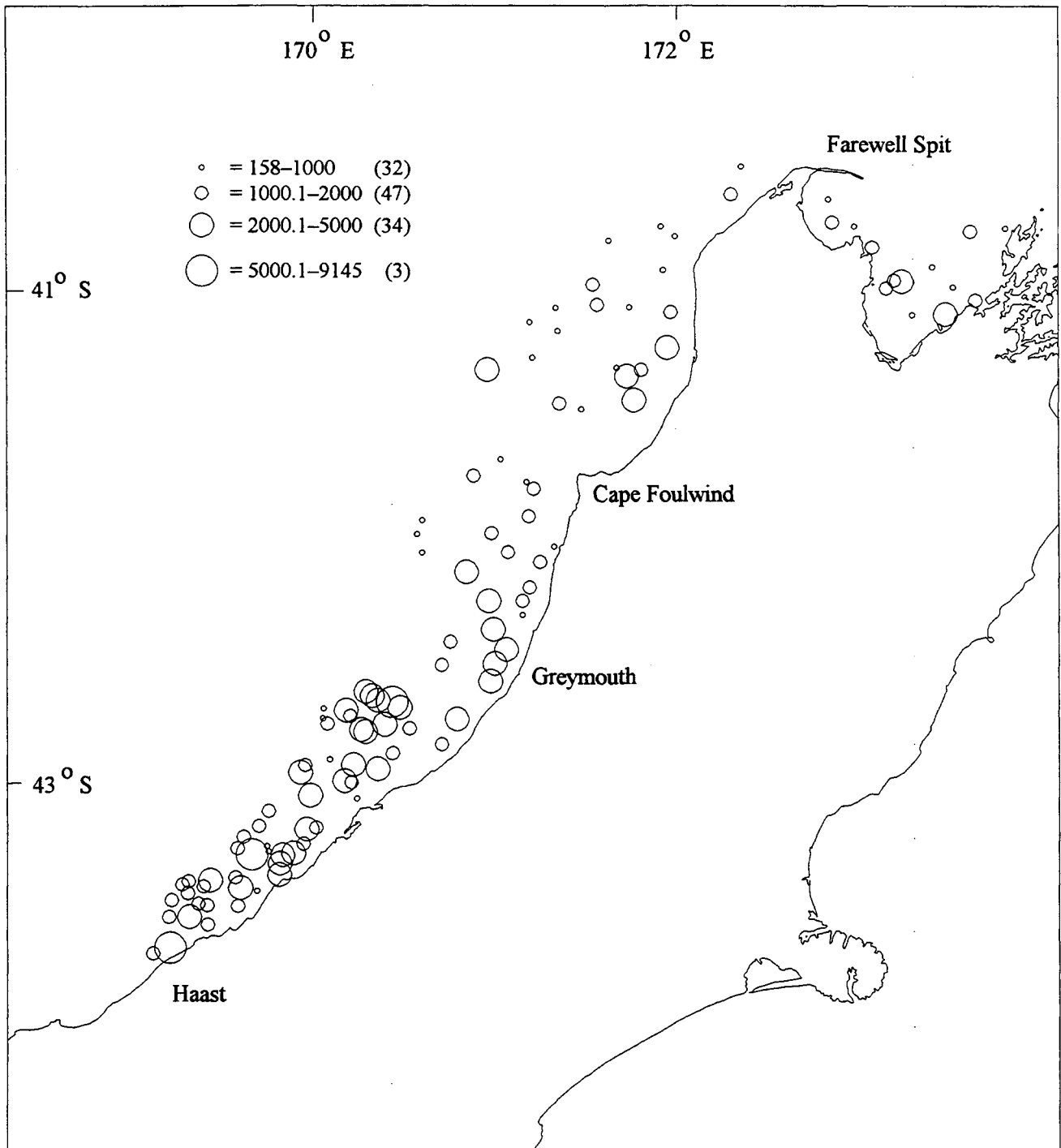


figure 1b: Stratum boundaries (south of Cape Foulwind) with station positions and numbers.

**All species combined**



**Figure 2: Catch rates ( $\text{kg.km}^{-2}$ ) for all species combined and of the major species for stations used for biomass estimates (numbers in parentheses are the number of stations at the given catch rate).**



## Arrow squid

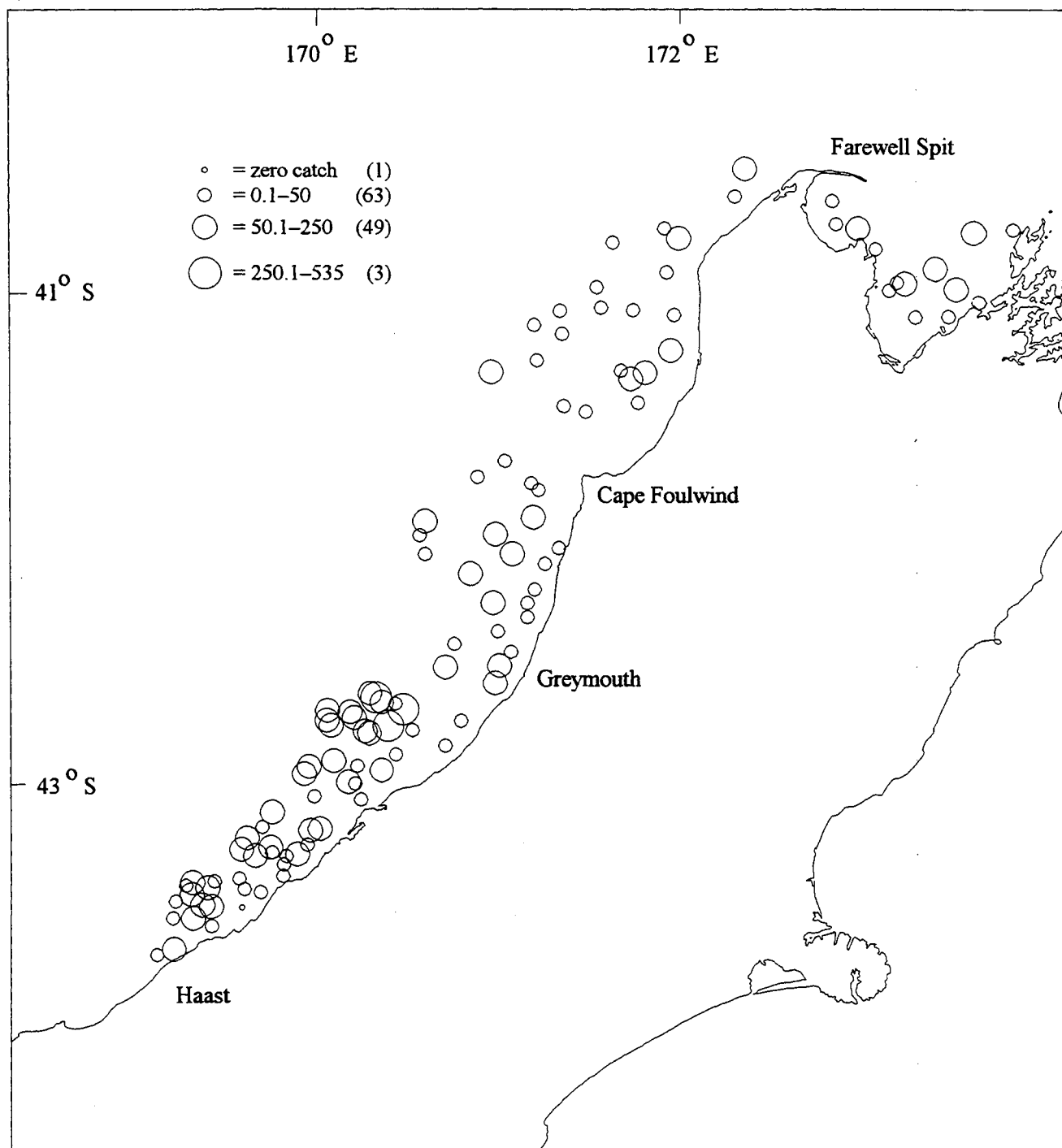


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## Barracouta

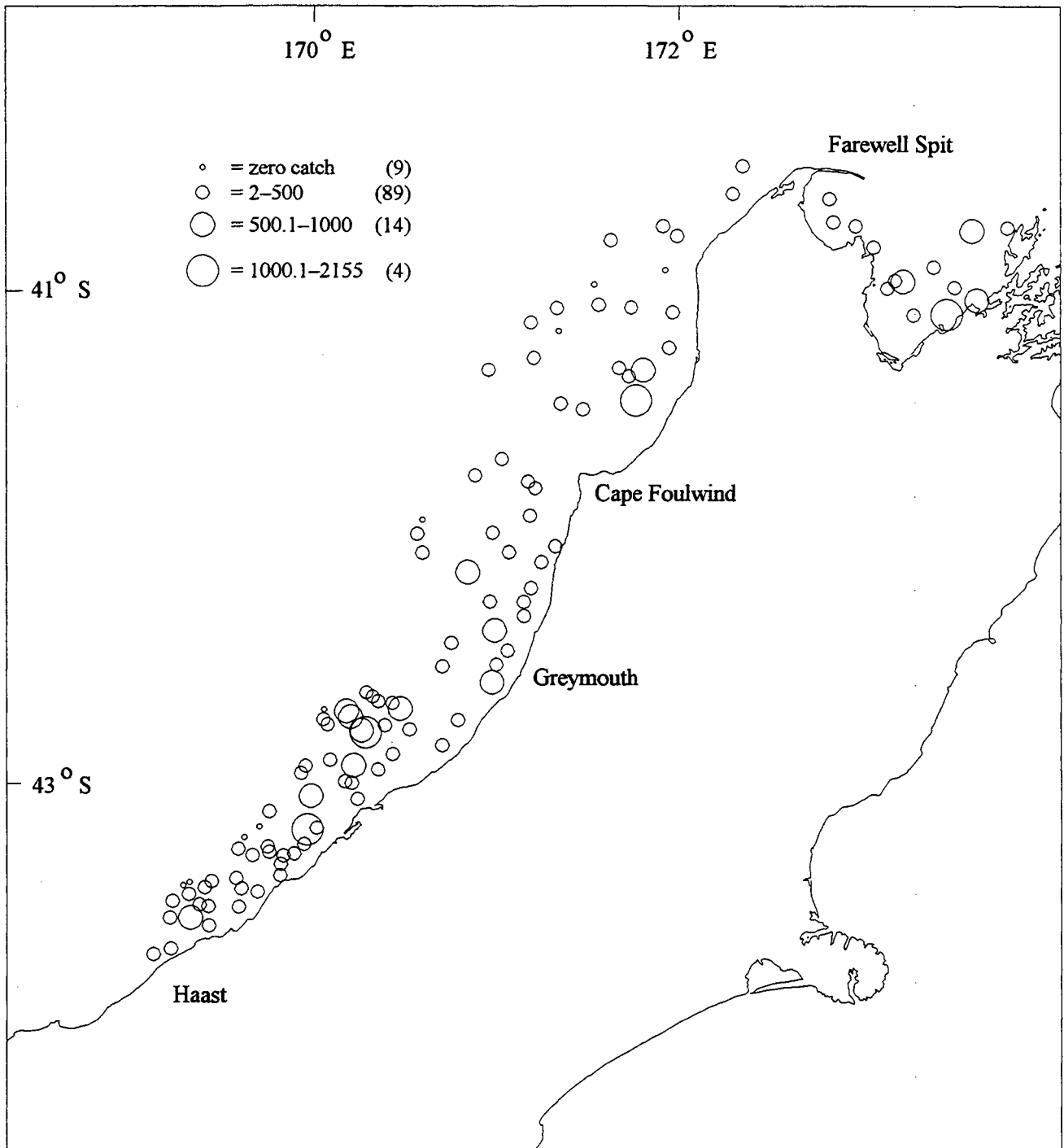


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## Giant stargazer

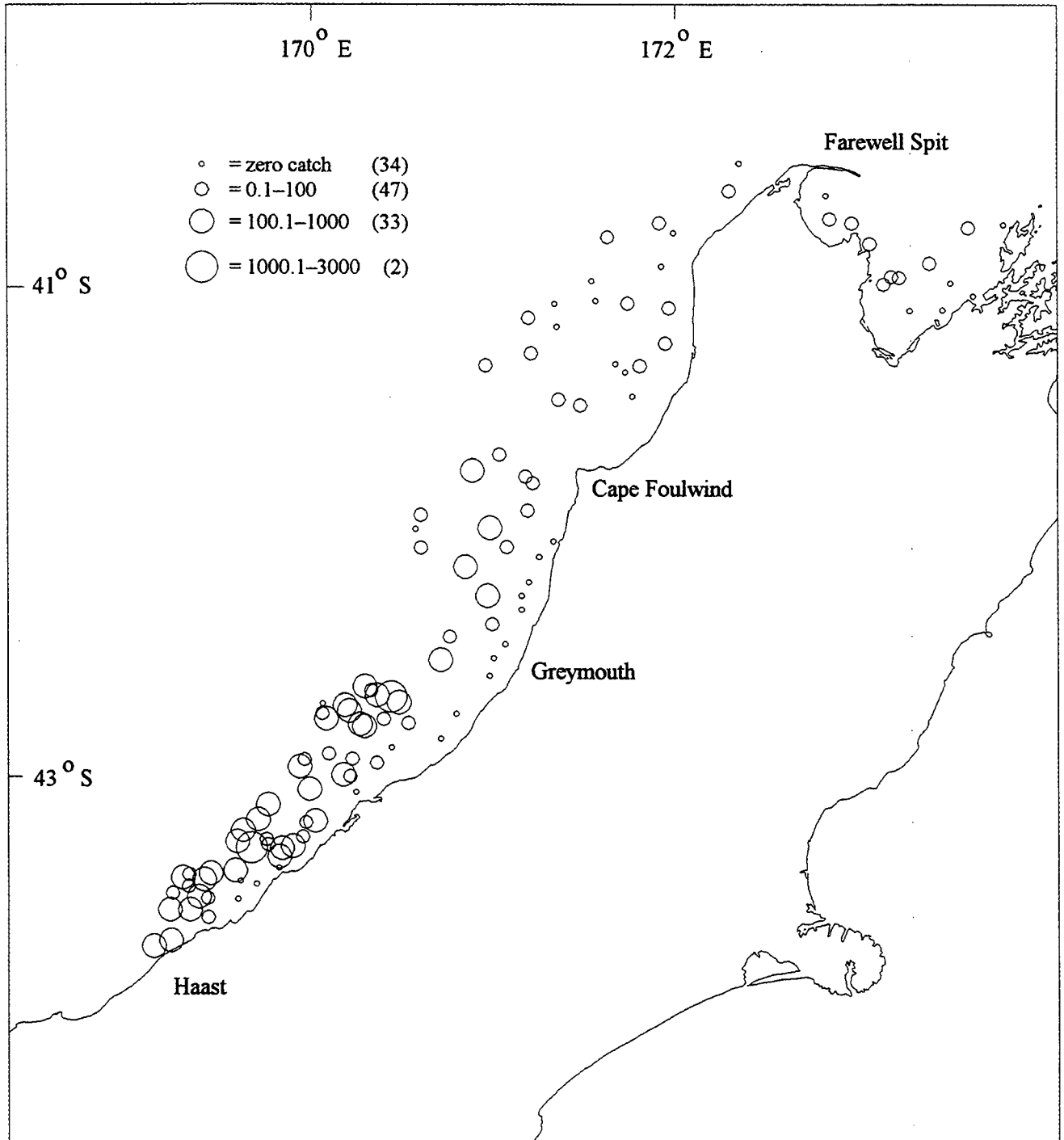


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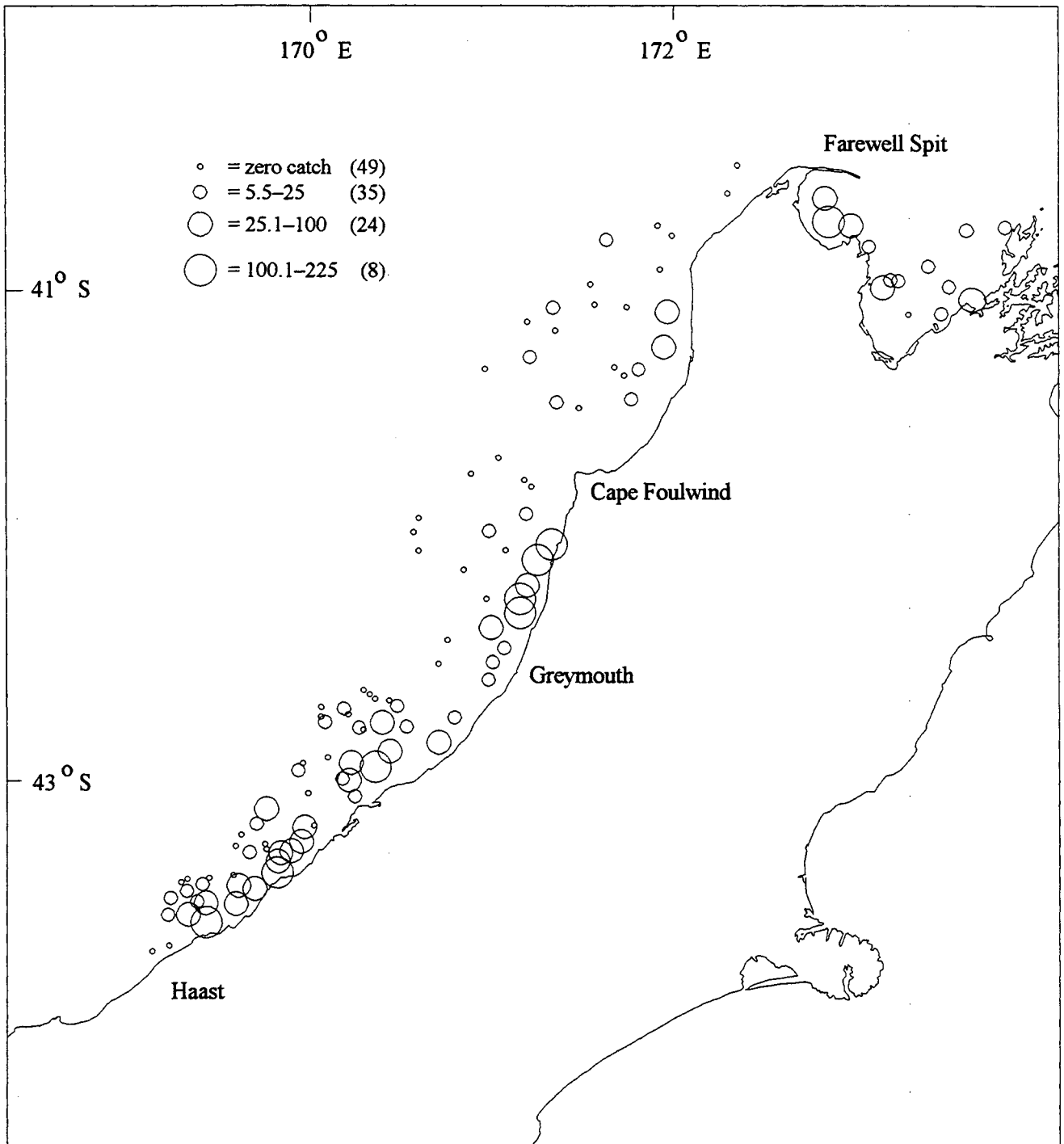


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## School shark

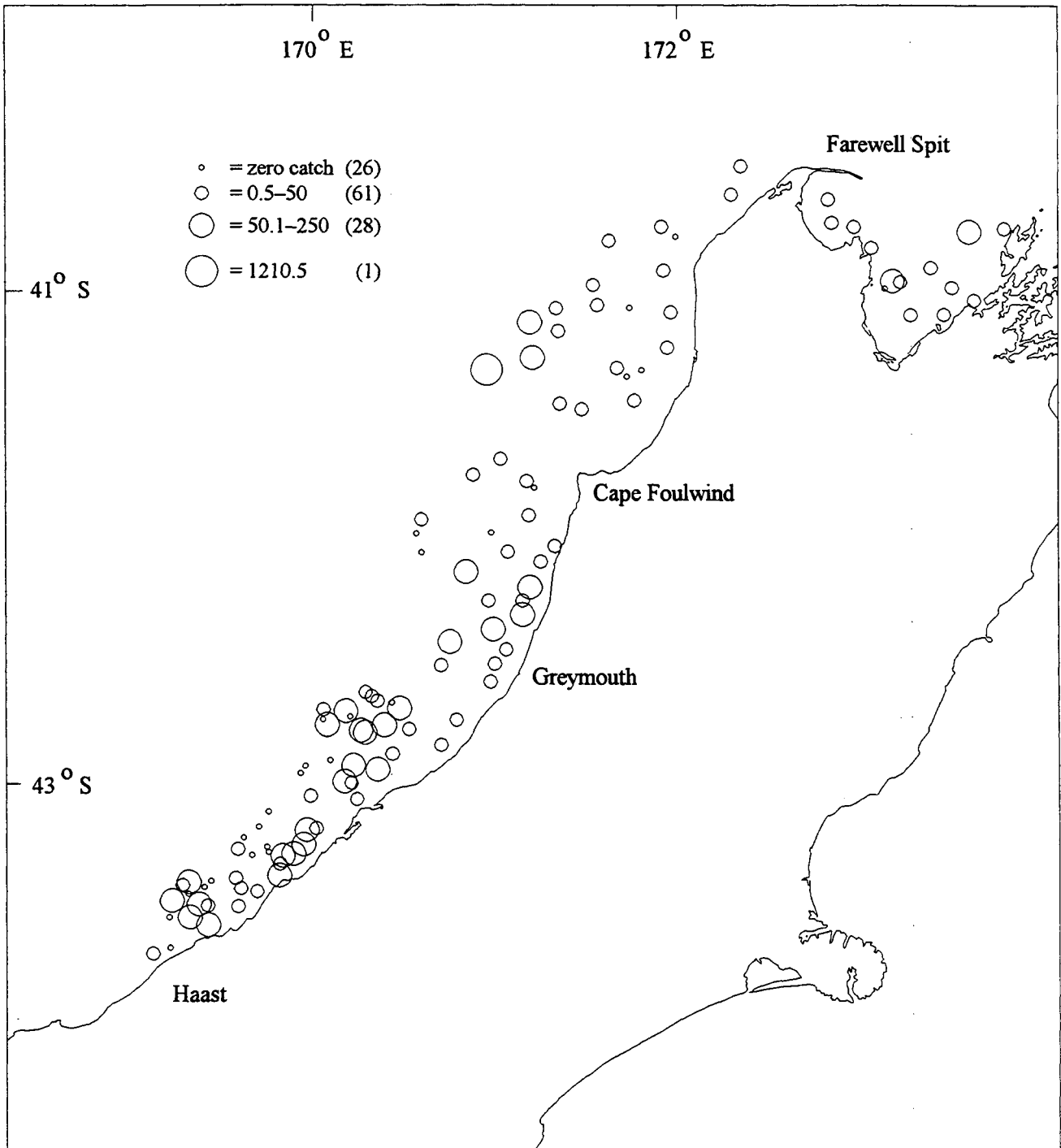


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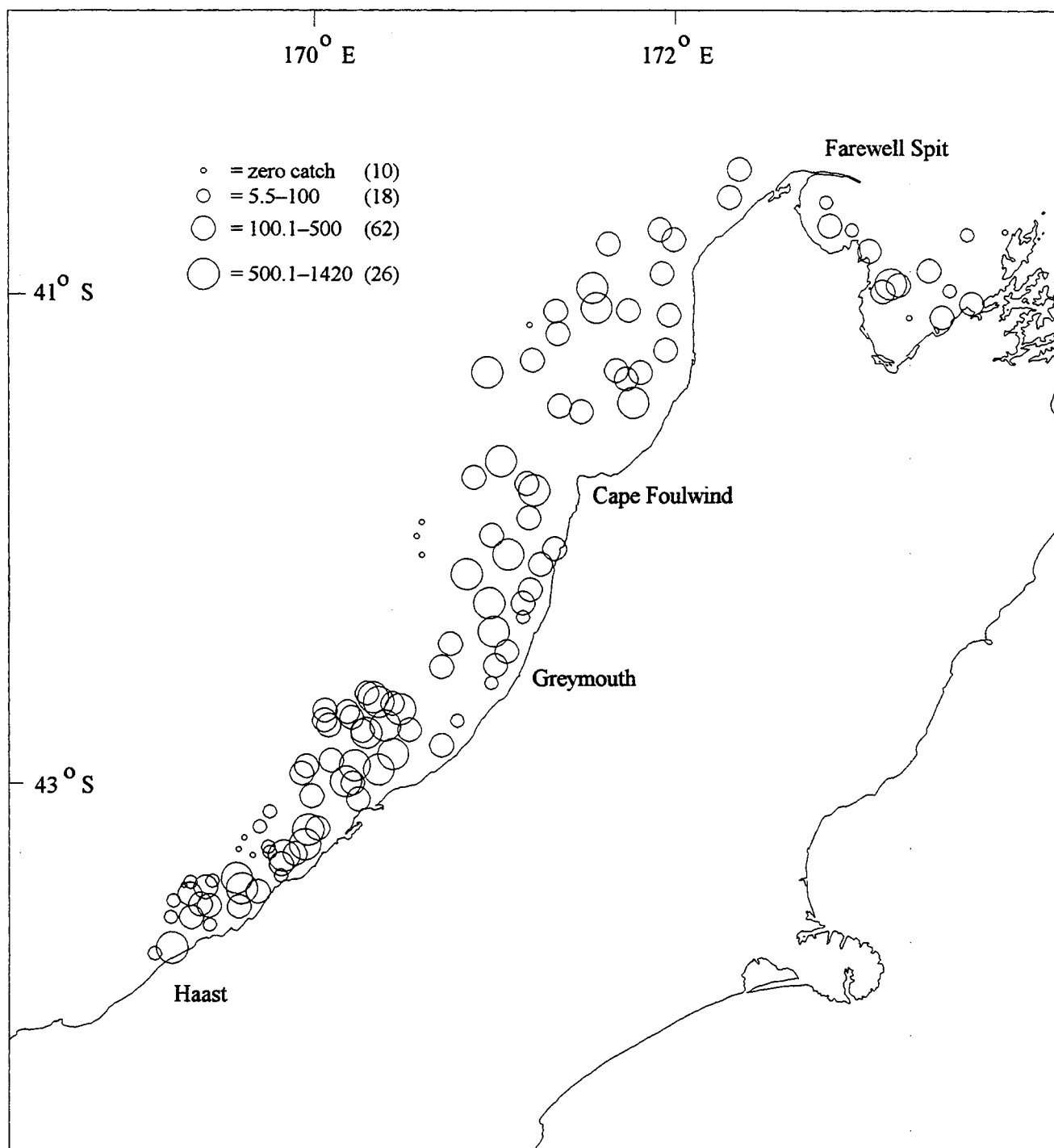


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## Tarakihi

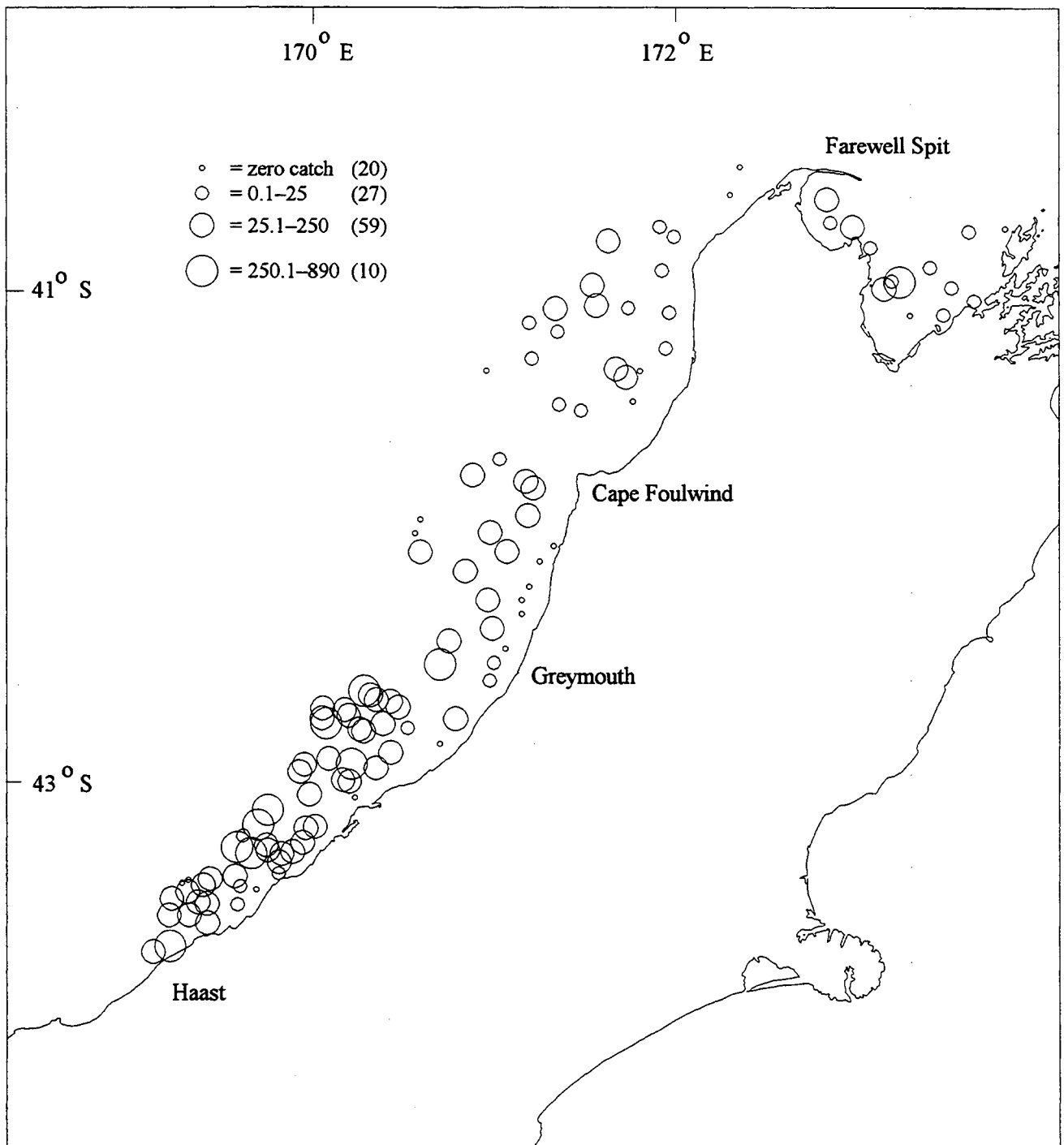


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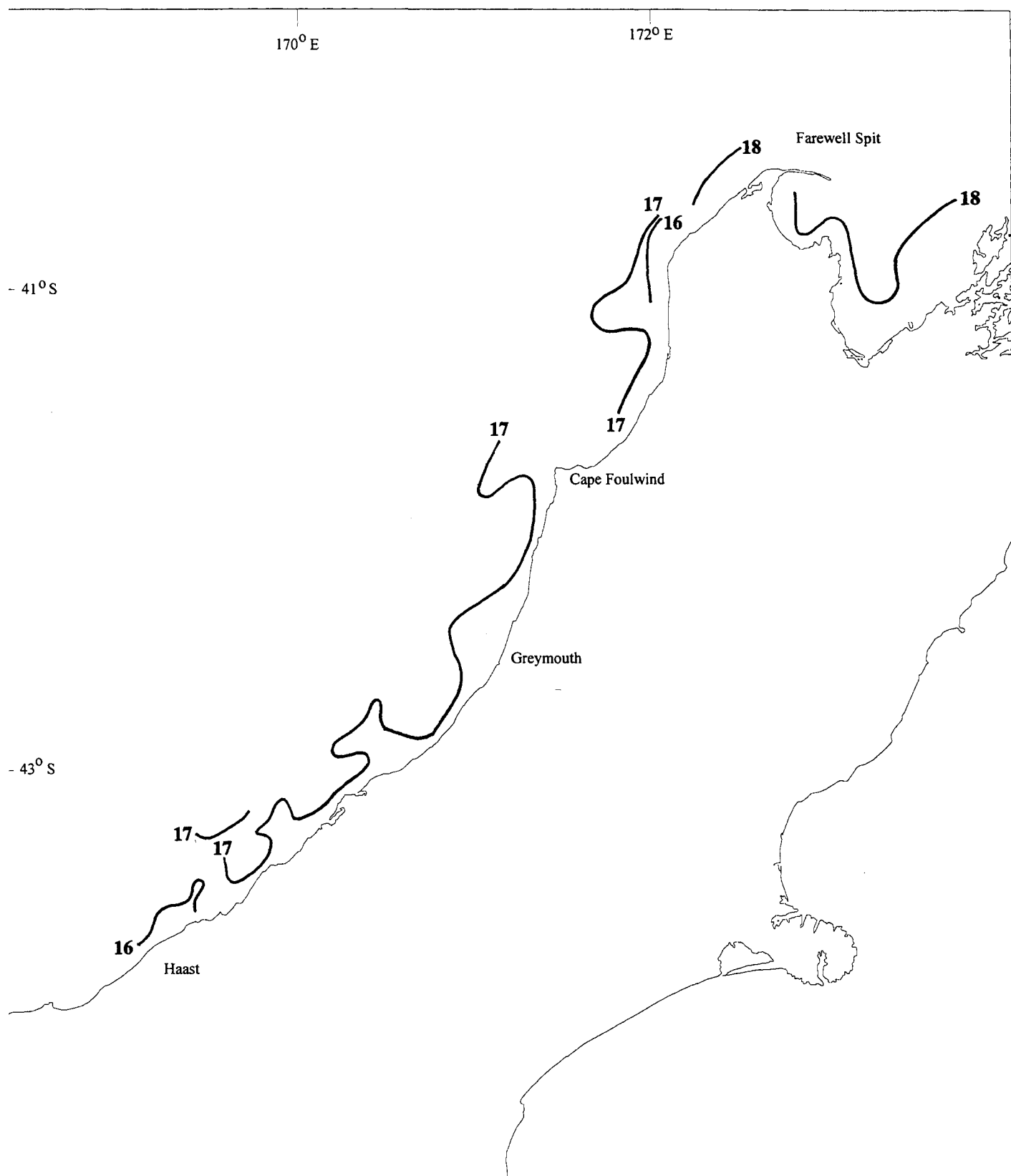


Figure 3: Sea surface temperatures (°C)



## Arrow squid

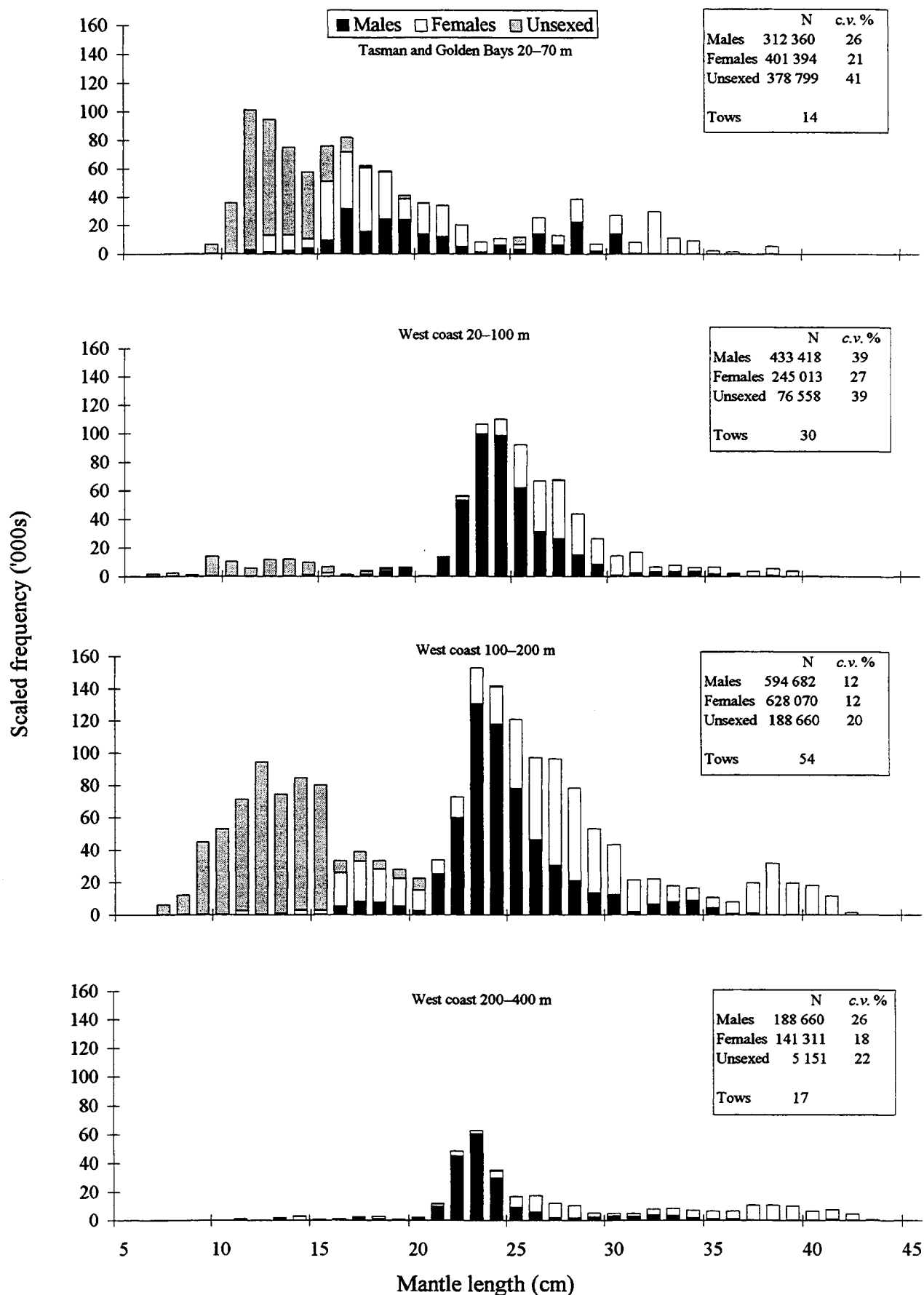


Figure 4: Scaled length frequency distribution for the 11 most abundant ITQ species by subarea and other important species (N = estimated population, Tows = number of stations where species was caught).

## Barracouta

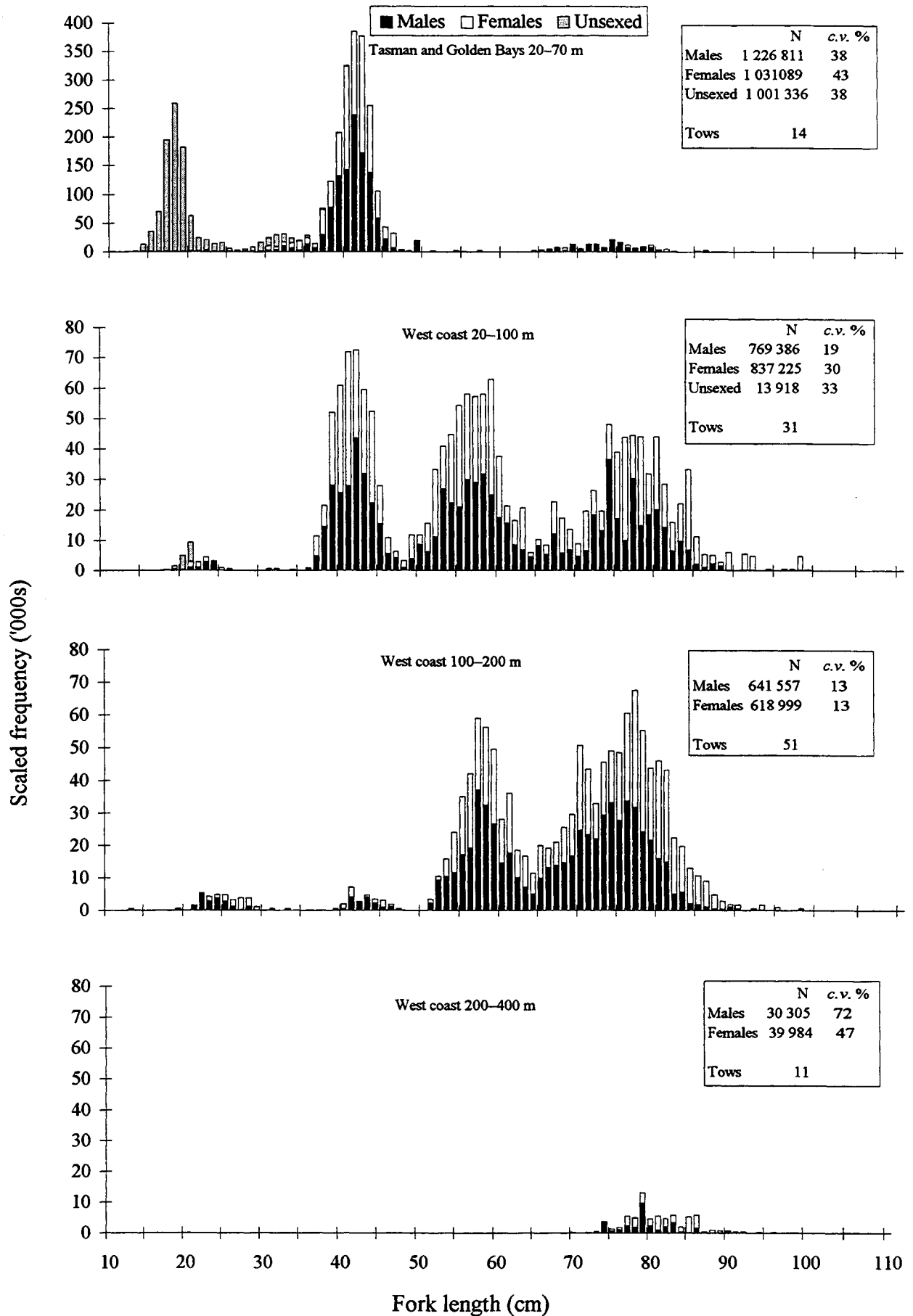


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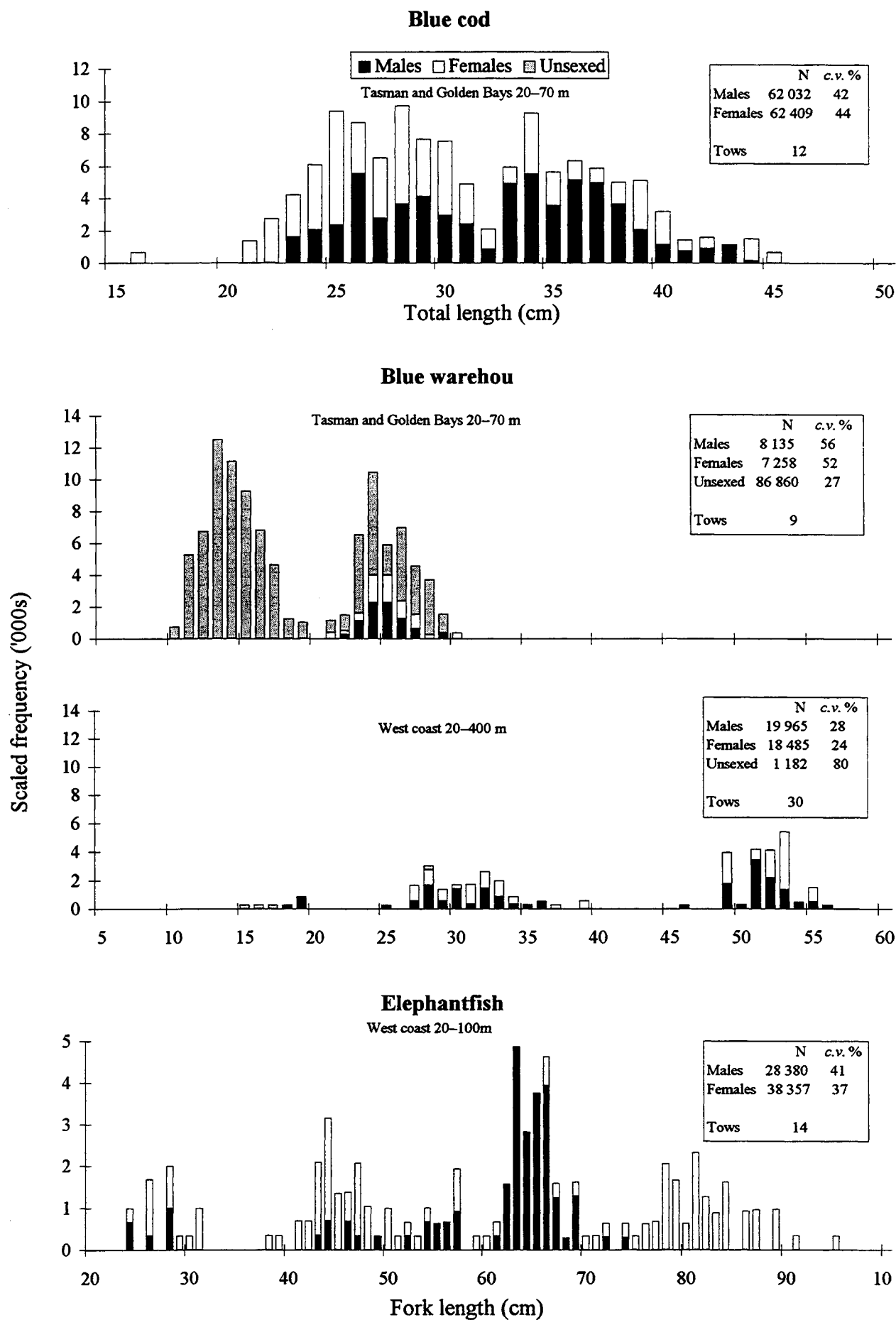
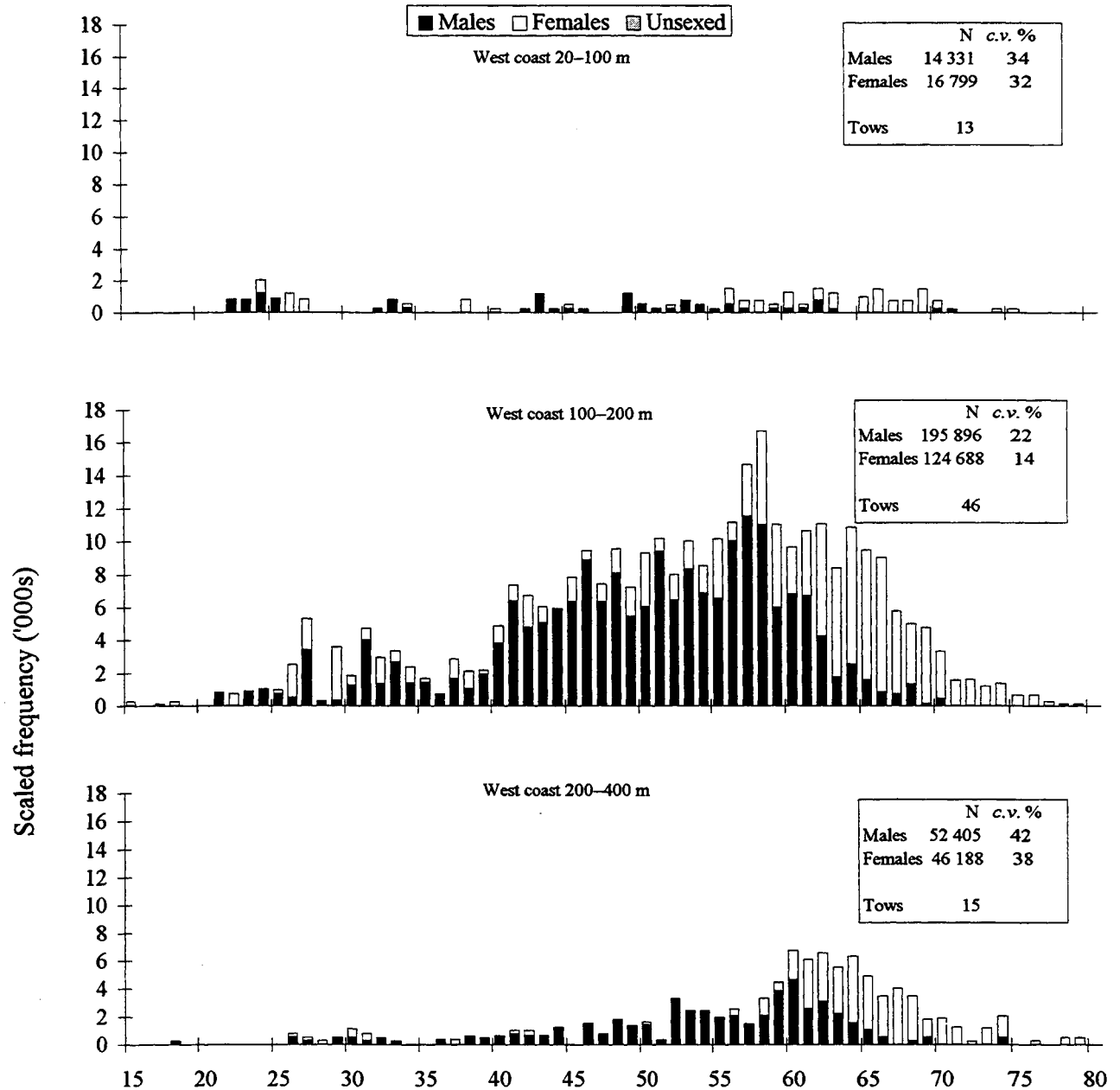


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## Giant stargazer



## Hake

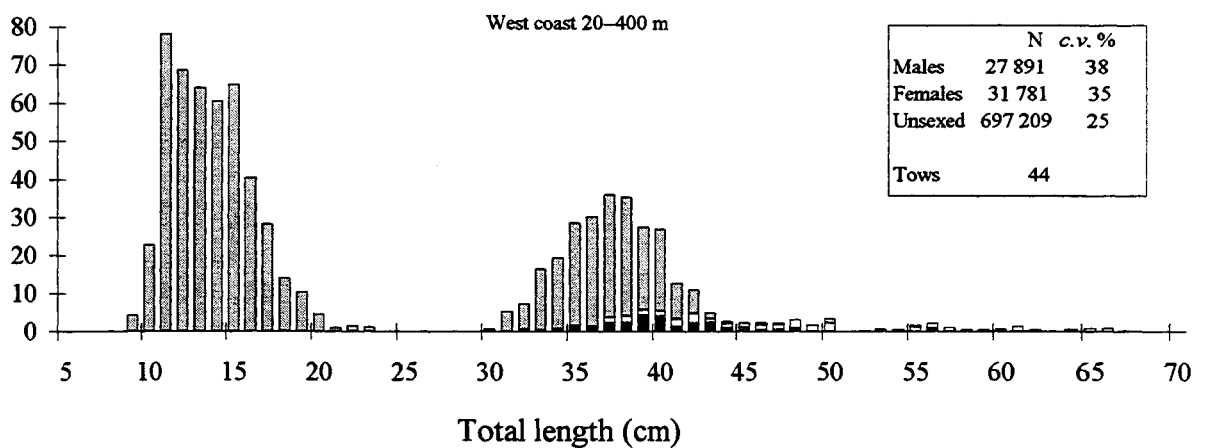


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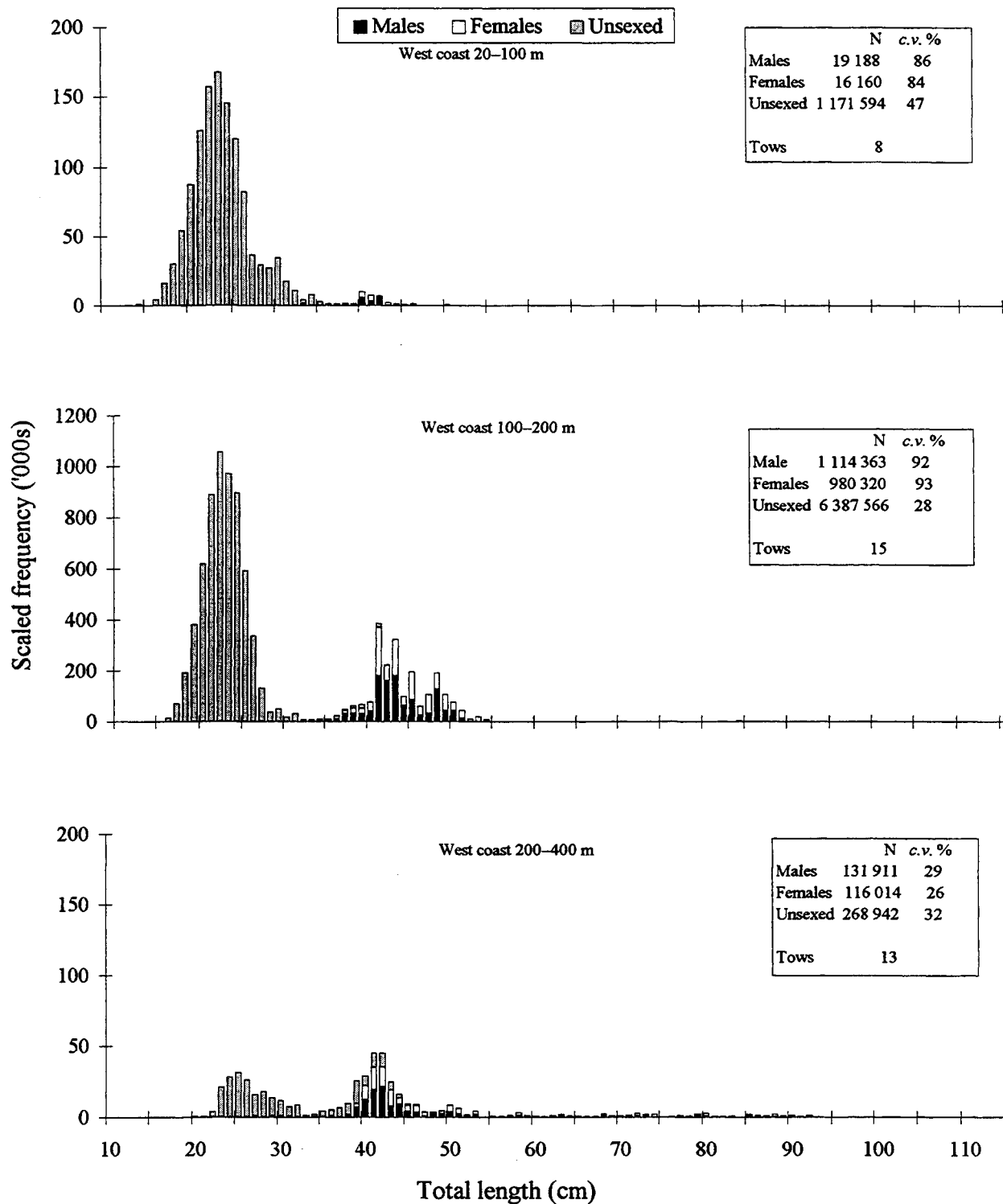
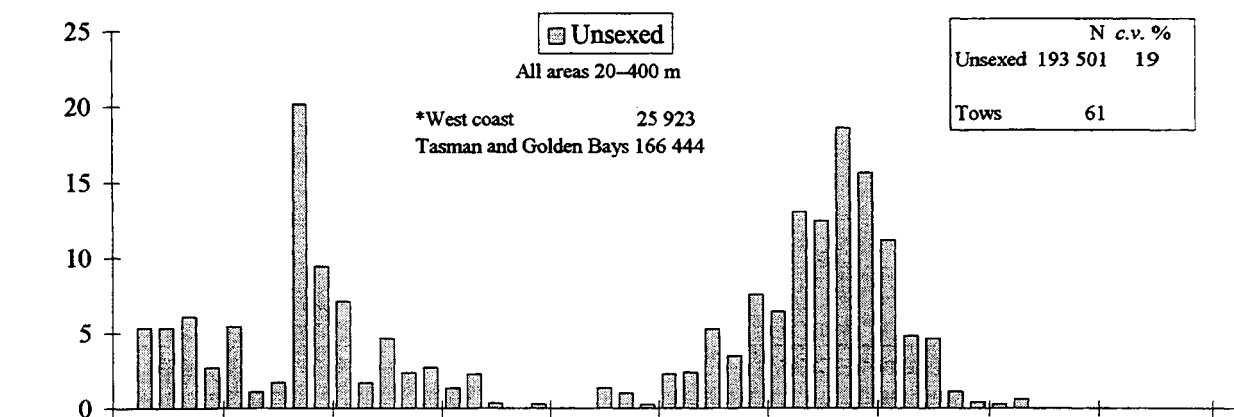


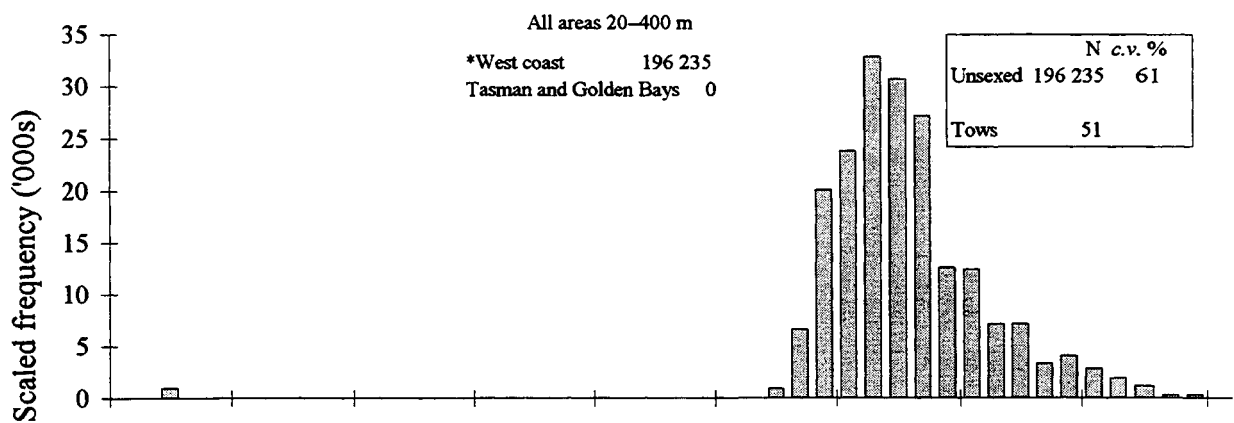
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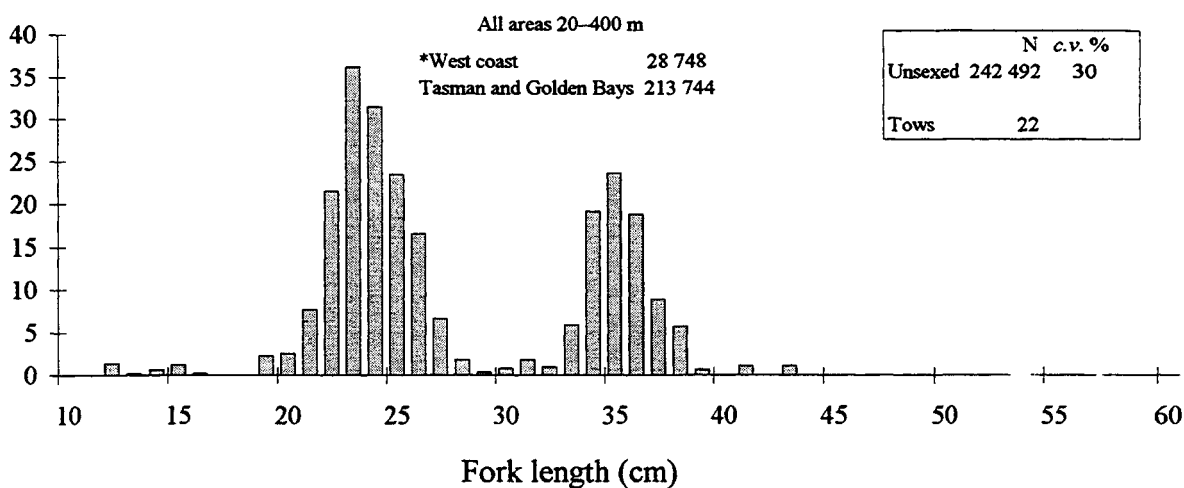
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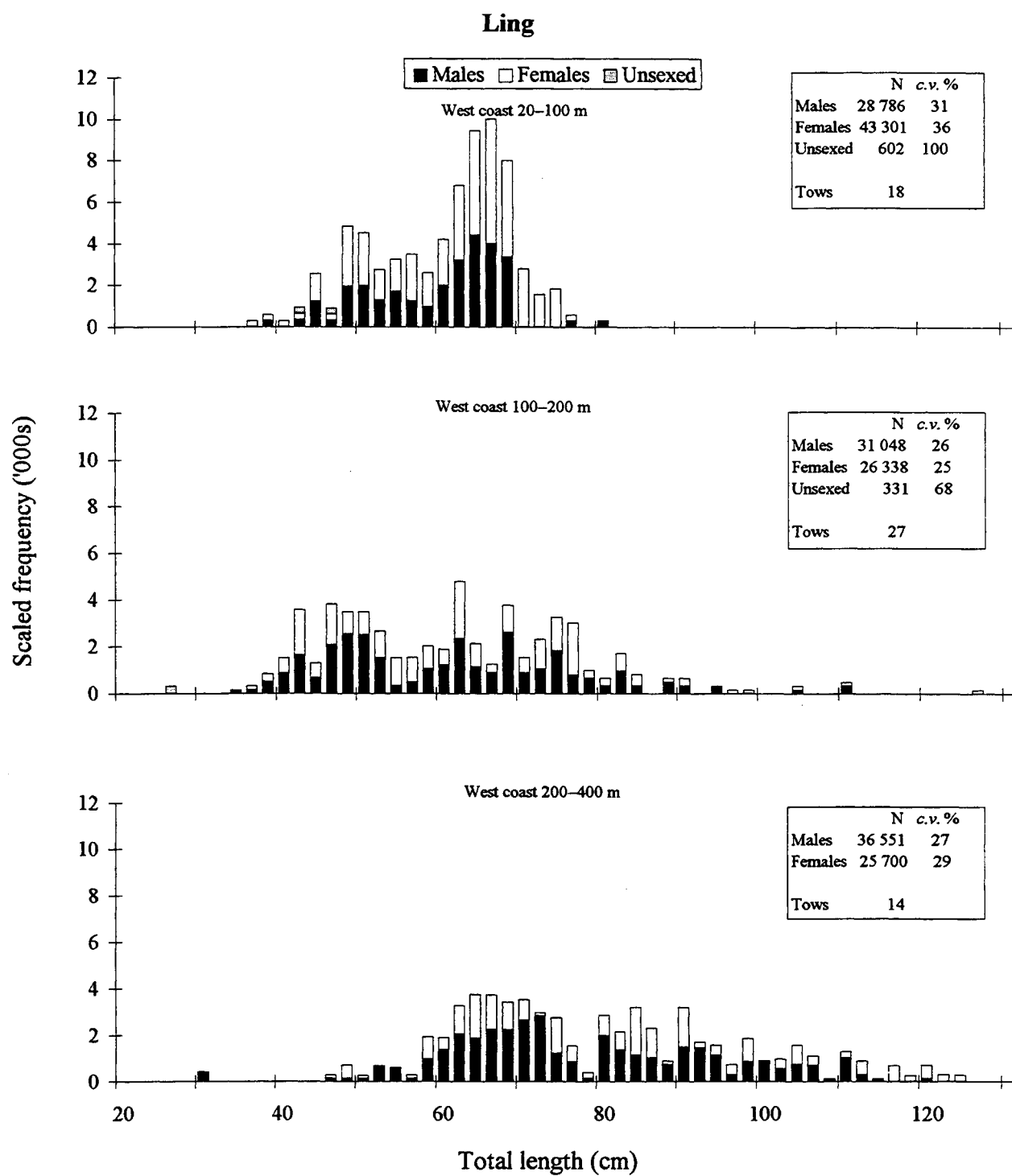


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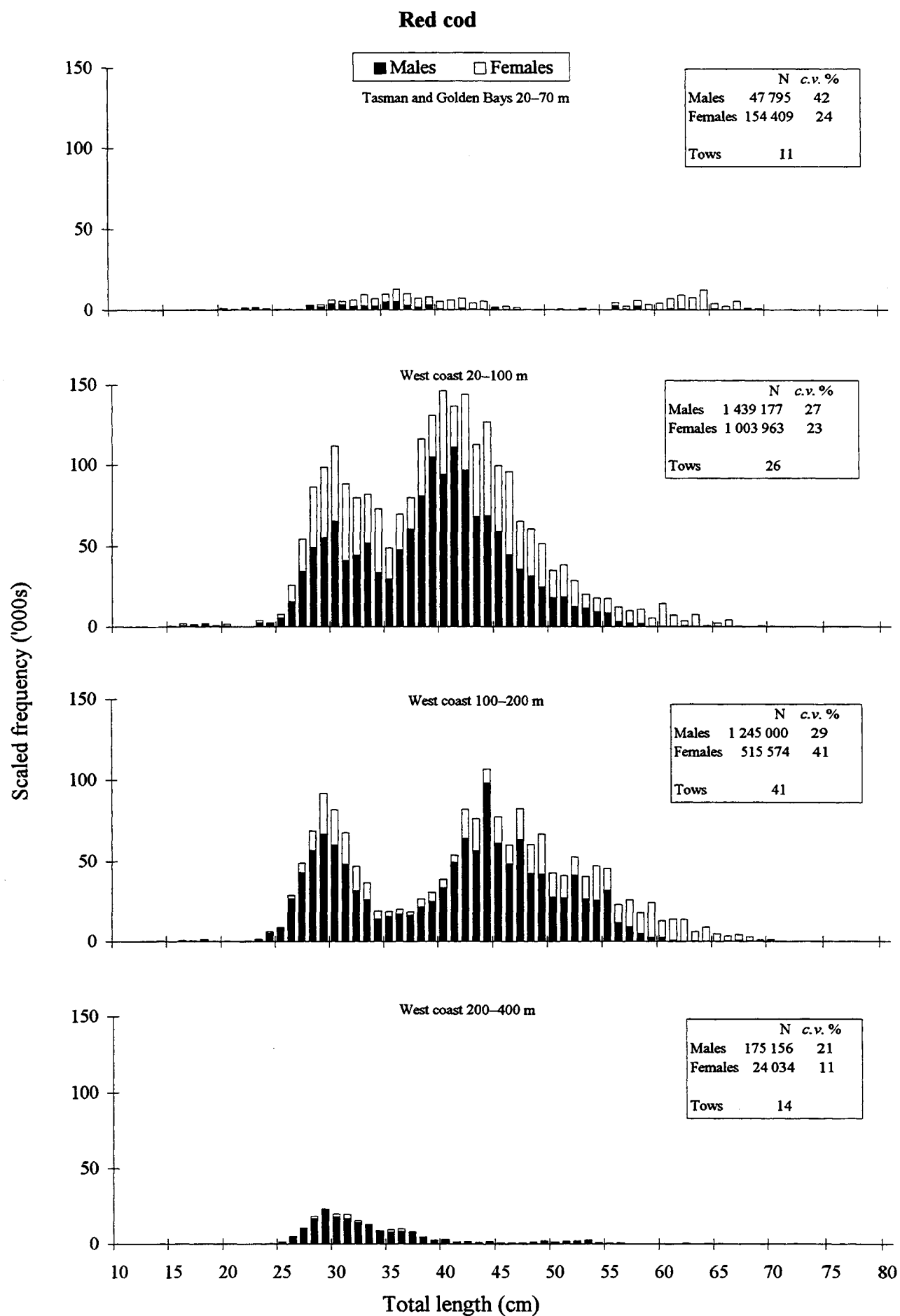


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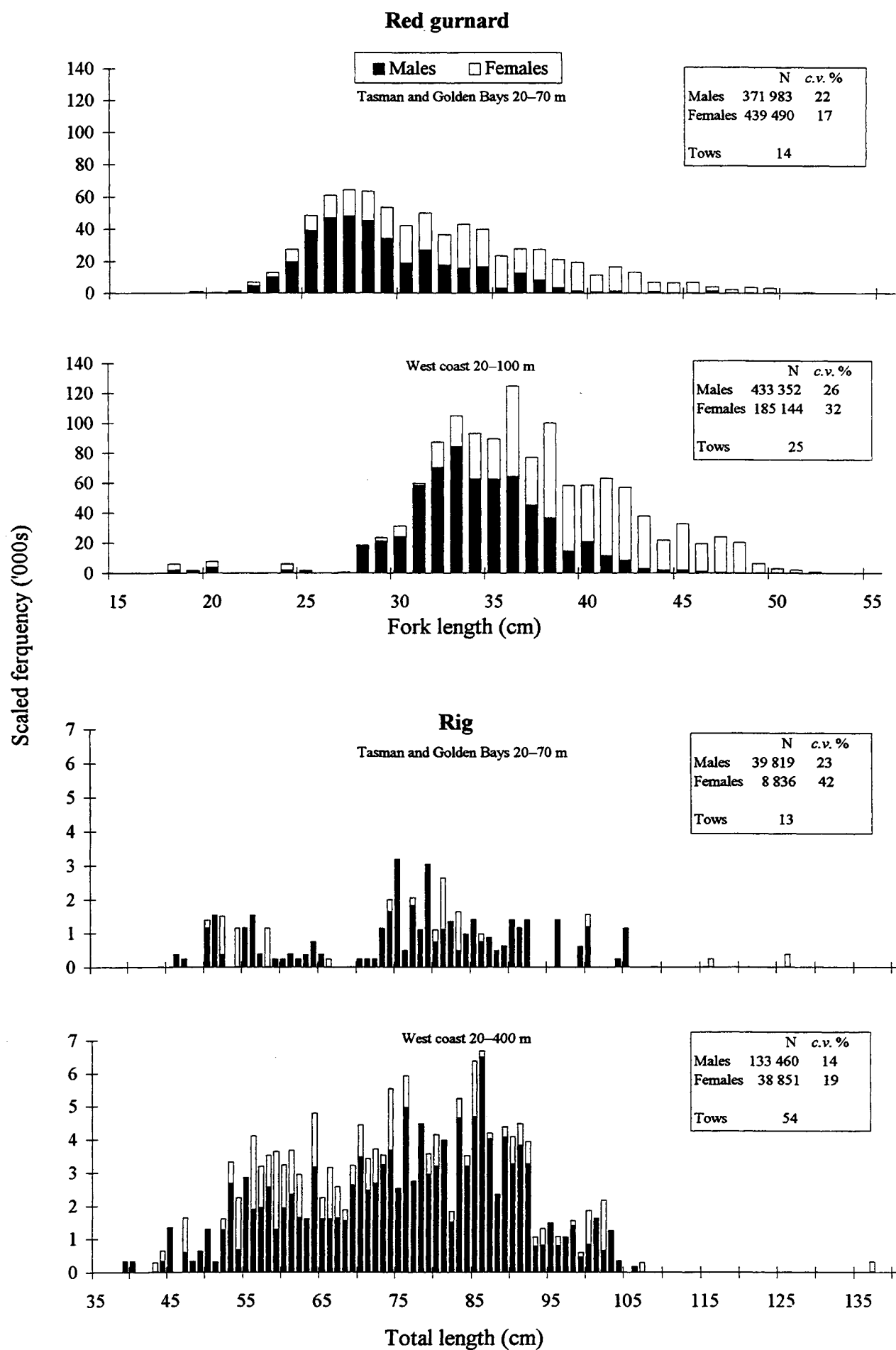


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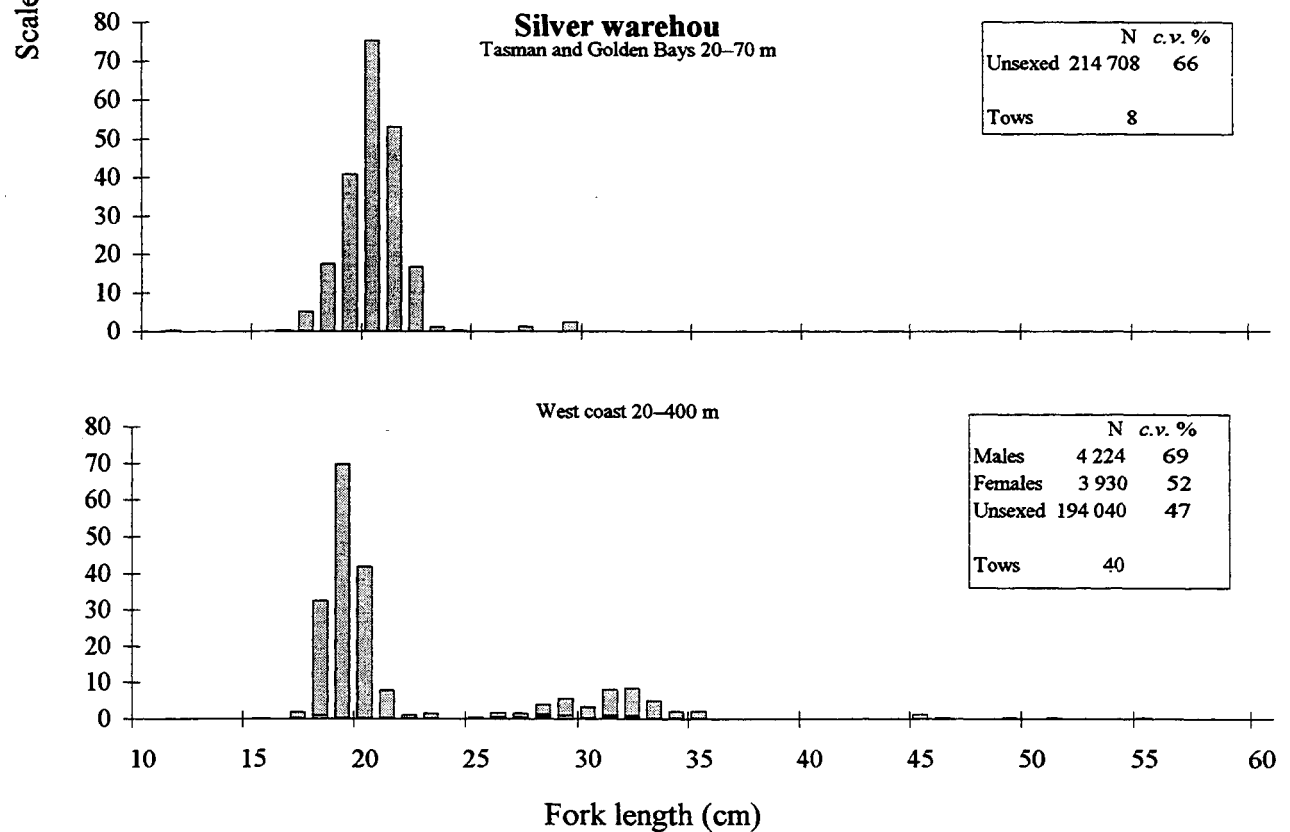
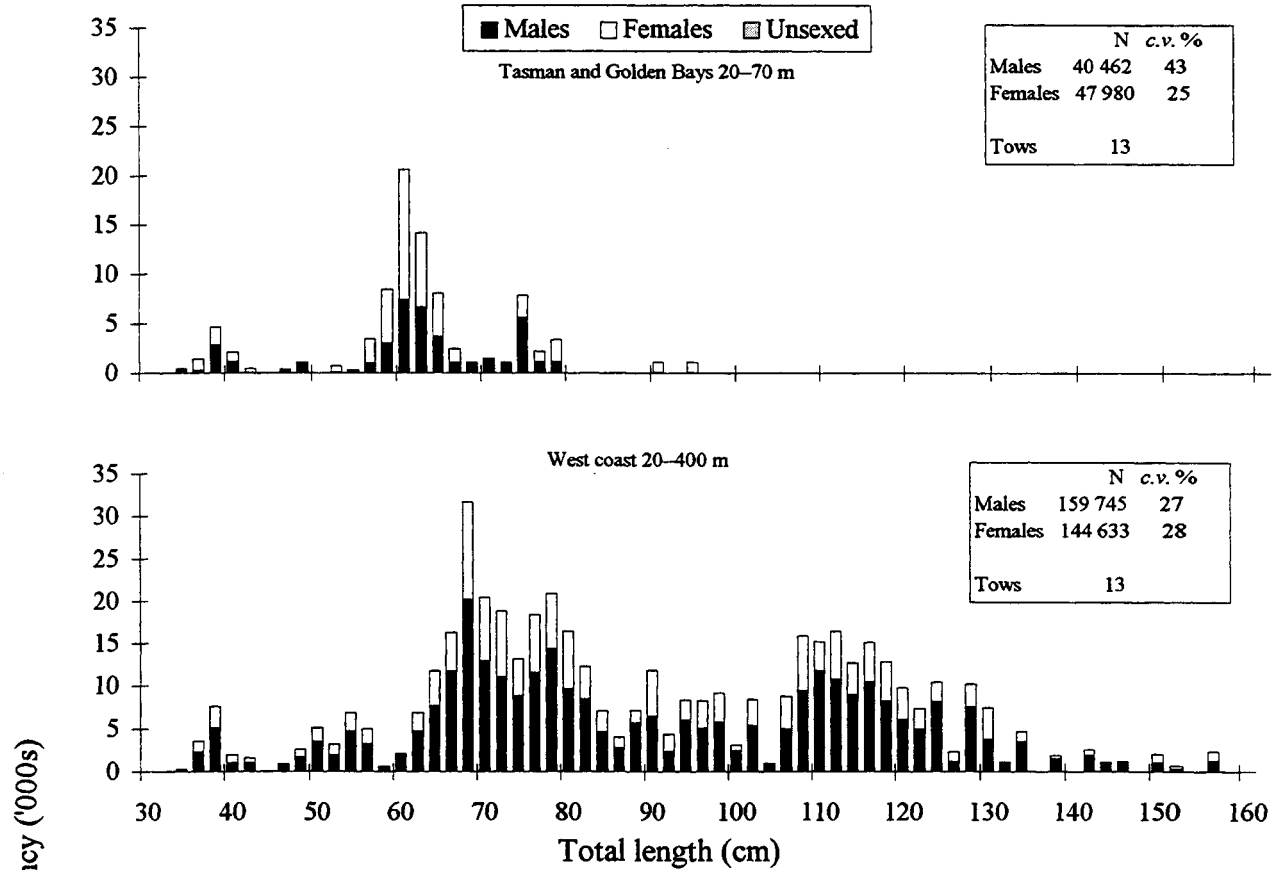


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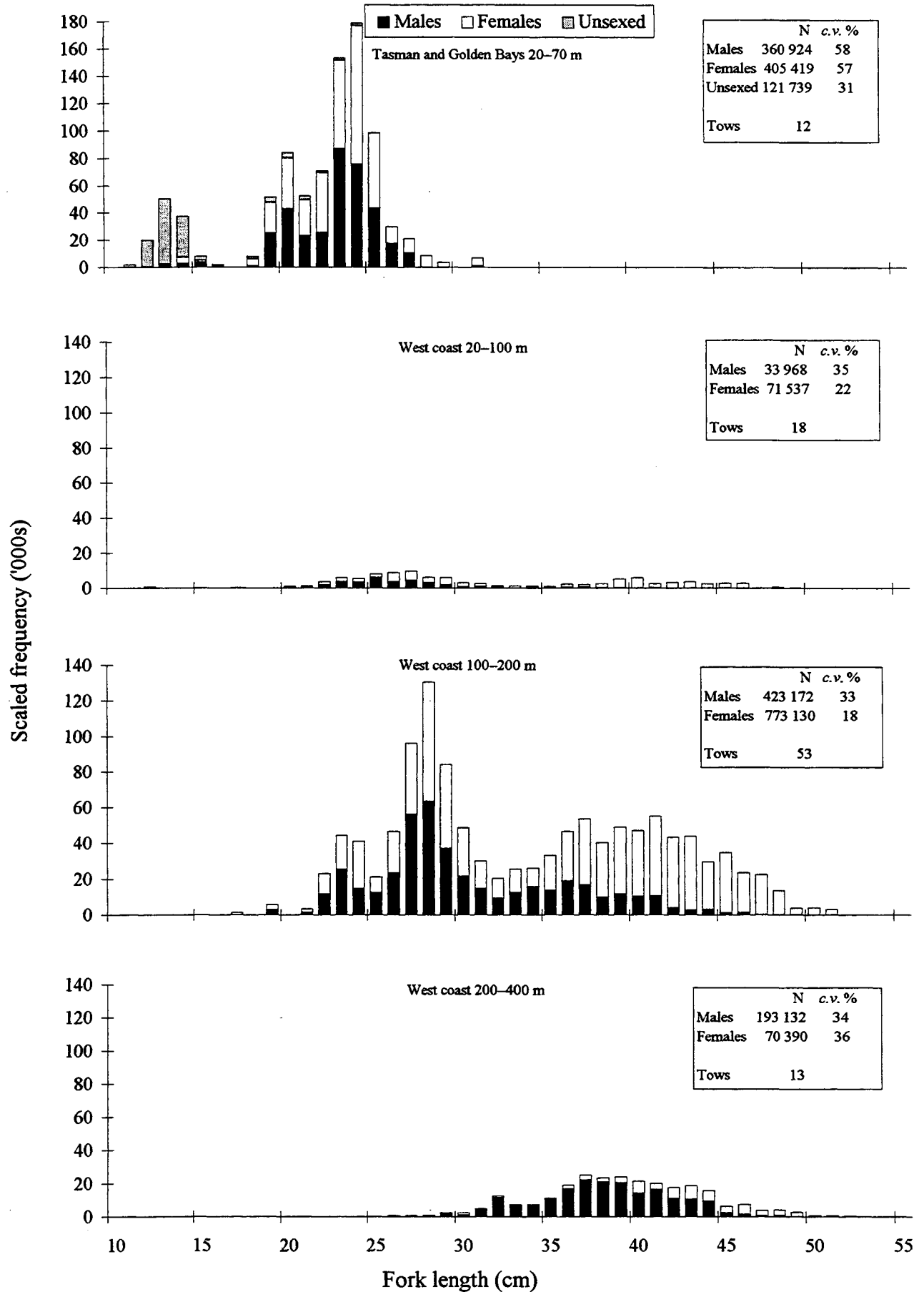


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**Appendix 1a: Length-weight coefficients  $a$  and  $b$  calculated using the geometric mean functional relationship from data collected during the 1994 survey, and used to scale length frequencies and calculate biomass above a minimum size\***

	$a$	$b$	$N$	Range (cm)
Giant stargazer	0.0169	3.06	859	14–78
Red cod	0.0461	2.62	1 712	13–71
Red gurnard	0.0048	3.24	657	17–51
Tarakihi	0.0329	2.89	1 500	10–51

**Appendix 1b: Additional length-weight coefficients  $a$  and  $b$  used to scale length frequencies and calculate biomass above a minimum size\***

	$a$	$b$	Source	$N$	Range (cm)
Arrow squid	0.0290	3.00	Annala (1995)	–	> 11
Blue cod	0.0076	3.20	TAN9301	75	27–59
Blue warehou	0.0191	3.03	TAN9301	281	29–67
Barracouta	0.0052	2.98	TAN9301	919	15–96
Elephantfish	0.0105	2.99	TAN9301	62	58–92
Hoki	0.0046	2.88	SHI8301	525	22–110
Hake	0.0018	3.31	TAN9401	444	39–125
Ling	0.0010	3.36	SHI8302	398	45–135
Rig	0.0005	3.47	Francis (unpub.)	120	65–137
School shark	0.0070	2.91	Seabrook- Davidson (unpub.)	804	30–166
Silver warehou	0.1398	3.08	TAN9401	160	22–56
<i>Trachurus declivis</i>	0.0165	2.93	COR9001	200	15–53
<i>T. murphyi</i>	0.0255	2.77	TAN9301	90	44–62
<i>T. novaezelandiae</i>	0.1630	2.92	COR9001	200	15–40

\* Determined from  $W = aL^b$ , where  $W$  = weight (g),  $L$  = length (cm);  $N$  = sample size.

## Appendix 2: Summary of station data

Station	Stratum	Date	Time	Start of tow			End of tow			Gear depth (m)		Distance trawled (n. miles)	Surface temp (°C)
				°	'	S	°	'	E	Min.	Max.		
1	18	19-Mar-94	0907	40	49	58	173	03	28	28	39	3.02	18.4
2	17	19-Mar-94	1136	40	44	42	172	57	44	32	36	3.00	18.2
3	17	19-Mar-94	1345	40	37	74	172	49	05	30	32	3.03	18.0
4	17	20-Mar-94	0631	40	43	42	172	50	25	25	27	3.00	17.4
5	18	20-Mar-94	1013	40	59	64	173	07	78	28	28	2.98	18.5
6	18	20-Mar-94	1254	41	05	98	173	27	04	32	36	2.96	18.6
7	19	20-Mar-94	1448	41	02	51	173	36	83	37	44	3.02	18.5
8	19	21-Mar-94	0644	40	59	37	173	29	60	45	47	2.98	18.3
9	19	21-Mar-94	0919	40	45	66	173	35	32	54	59	3.00	18.1
10	19	21-Mar-94	1146	40	44	83	173	46	85	58	60	3.01	18.6
11	19	21-Mar-94	1446	40	54	44	173	22	89	48	50	2.93	18.1
12 *	1	22-Mar-94	0626	40	43	40	172	27	55	68	71	1.17	17.6
13	1	22-Mar-94	1409	40	29	78	172	20	74	94	96	3.02	18.1
14	1	22-Mar-94	1550	40	36	59	172	17	57	49	67	2.32	13.0
15	5	23-Mar-94	0641	41	14	04	171	56	42	63	69	3.01	17.1
16	5	23-Mar-94	0902	41	19	50	171	47	98	86	98	2.99	17.5
17	6	23-Mar-94	1050	41	21	00	171	43	20	111	114	2.92	17.5
18	6	23-Mar-94	1337	41	19	07	171	40	06	123	123	2.93	17.6
19	5	23-Mar-94	1544	41	26	83	171	45	68	59	62	2.98	17.4
20	8	24-Mar-94	0704	41	54	91	171	11	06	136	156	2.90	17.1
21	8	24-Mar-94	0942	41	59	14	170	58	77	178	182	2.68	17.1
22	8	24-Mar-94	1150	42	03	90	171	04	24	146	150	2.96	17.2
23	8	24-Mar-94	1421	42	15	73	170	57	92	140	144	2.89	17.3
24	7	25-Mar-94	0630	42	31	12	170	59	84	75	76	2.94	16.7
25	7	25-Mar-94	0820	42	27	66	171	03	71	44	49	2.93	16.6
26	7	25-Mar-94	1019	42	19	16	171	09	05	37	37	2.97	16.9
27	7	25-Mar-94	1157	42	12	48	171	11	33	43	45	2.90	17.1
28	7	25-Mar-94	1405	42	02	50	171	19	52	27	37	3.01	17.1
29	6	26-Mar-94	1310	41	41	18	171	01	84	160	160	3.03	17.7
30	7	26-Mar-94	1650	42	06	32	171	14	88	46	51	2.92	17.3

# Appendix 2—continued

Station	Stratum	Date	Time	Start of tow			End of tow			Gear depth (m)		Distance trawled (n. miles)	Surface temp (°C)
				°	'	S	°	'	S	Min.	Max.		
31	13	27-Mar-94	0633	42	31.52		170	42.29		249	298	3.11	17.3
32	11	27-Mar-94	0922	42	35.49		170	58.55		55	57	2.99	17.0
33	11	27-Mar-94	1131	42	44.70		170	47.41		60	61	3.01	17.3
34	11	28-Mar-94	1418	42	50.88		170	42.32		27	28	2.98	17.3
35	11	28-Mar-94	1611	42	47.07		170	31.64		44	64	3.02	17.4
36	12	28-Mar-94	0631	42	54.55		170	05.59		172	174	3.00	17.4
37	13	28-Mar-94	0831	42	57.72		169	55.95		234	277	3.00	17.2
38	13	28-Mar-94	1057	42	55.96		169	57.58		256	190	2.73	17.5
39	12	28-Mar-94	1415	42	45.86		170	04.81		166	193	2.75	17.3
40	13	29-Mar-94	0647	42	44.58		170	03.36		245	259	3.01	17.1
41	13	29-Mar-94	0858	42	42.19		170	03.53		286	298	2.93	17.0
42	12	29-Mar-94	1131	42	38.03		170	17.34		155	198	3.01	17.1
43	12	29-Mar-94	1345	42	40.22		170	21.36		127	132	3.00	17.2
44	12	29-Mar-94	1553	42	40.60		170	26.00		170	310	1.26	17.4
45	12	30-Mar-94	0627	42	39.08		170	19.53		139	157	3.02	17.0
46	11	30-Mar-94	0834	42	41.94		170	28.59		94	100	2.94	17.0
47	11	30-Mar-94	1036	42	45.97		170	23.58		97	98	2.94	17.1
48	12	30-Mar-94	1303	42	47.74		170	17.18		119	128	2.75	17.2
49	12	30-Mar-94	1458	42	47.29		170	15.94		134	148	2.97	17.3
50	12	1-Apr-94	0635	42	43.99		170	12.22		149	159	2.97	17.4
51	11	1-Apr-94	0918	42	56.83		170	21.28		50	53	3.00	17.1
52	11	1-Apr-94	1125	43	04.08		170	14.45		26	30	3.01	17.2
53	11	1-Apr-94	1323	43	00.16		170	12.56		93	100	3.01	17.5
54	12	1-Apr-94	1518	42	59.77		170	10.40		114	123	3.04	17.5
55	13	2-Apr-94	0633	43	07.09		169	45.52		207	244	2.08	17.3
56	13	2-Apr-94	0848	43	15.78		169	44.99		202	219	3.10	17.4
57	11	2-Apr-94	1118	43	11.16		170	01.20		88	95	3.09	17.3
58	12	2-Apr-94	1314	43	03.28		169	59.18		162	178	2.92	17.4
59	18	4-Apr-94	0350	40	58.00		173	12.87		34	38	2.96	17.8
60	18	4-Apr-94	0915	41	06.05		173	16.26		23	31	3.00	18.0

**Appendix 2—continued**

Station	Stratum	Date	Time	Start of tow			End of tow			Gear depth (m)		Distance trawled (n. miles)	Surface temp (°C)		
				°	'	S	°	'	E	°	'			S	Min.
61	2	6-Apr-94	0812	40	46.87		171	59.15	40	49.85	171 57.78	114	115	3.10	15.8
62	2	6-Apr-94	1148	40	58.69		171	32.18	41	01.44	171 30.56	155	162	3.01	17.4
63	2	6-Apr-94	1428	41	10.05		171	20.58	41	13.09	171 19.27	163	163	3.19	17.7
64	8	7-Apr-94	0707	41	45.11		170	52.97	41	47.96	170 51.27	196	199	3.12	17.5
65	9	7-Apr-94	1024	41	56.02		170	35.68	41	59.02	170 34.19	382	390	3.19	17.6
66	9	7-Apr-94	1223	41	59.35		170	34.02	42	02.27	170 33.78	378	380	2.92	17.6
67	9	7-Apr-94	1408	42	03.95		170	35.76	42	02.33	170 37.53	272	318	2.72	18.2
68	15	8-Apr-94	0701	43	40.35		169	13.55	43	38.01	169 16.20	115	122	3.02	15.8
69	14	8-Apr-94	1037	43	30.13		169	25.74	43	27.64	169 28.27	91	95	3.09	15.9
70	16	8-Apr-94	1326	43	24.99		169	17.51	43	26.87	169 14.71	338	352	2.80	16.4
71	16	8-Apr-94	1535	43	28.75		169	13.95	43	31.07	169 11.30	263	269	3.00	16.5
72	15	9-Apr-94	0659	43	27.16		169	19.39	43	25.17	169 22.48	133	136	2.98	16.5
73	15	9-Apr-94	1228	43	23.40		169	34.70	42	22.67	169 36.84	103	103	1.73	17.0
74	14	9-Apr-94	1348	43	25.92		169	36.54	43	28.10	169 33.69	53	54	3.00	17.4
75	14	9-Apr-94	1549	43	26.68		169	41.77	43	25.27	169 45.42	29	33	3.00	17.3
76	13	10-Apr-94	0703	43	13.41		169	37.31	43	10.43	169 37.38	338	395	2.96	17.1
77	13	10-Apr-94	0913	43	10.74		169	42.38	43	13.77	169 42.62	229	234	3.03	17.0
78	16	10-Apr-94	1119	43	17.76		169	40.12	43	19.21	169 43.88	274	297	3.07	17.1
79	15	10-Apr-94	1349	43	19.97		169	49.31	43	22.23	169 46.79	100	112	2.91	17.2
80	14	10-Apr-94	1616	43	22.76		169	49.16	43	22.30	169 53.29	20	45	3.04	17.0
81	8	11-Apr-94	1440	41	48.26		171	12.84	41	51.15	171 11.26	144	147	3.12	17.4
82	15	12-Apr-94	0701	43	41.75		169	07.78	43	43.41	169 04.23	110	110	3.06	16.2
83	15	12-Apr-94	1517	43	25.52		169	24.49	43	23.76	169 29.17	130	186	2.62	17.0
84	15	13-Apr-94	0706	43	32.87		169	13.23	43	30.75	169 16.22	132	136	3.02	16.8
85	15	13-Apr-94	0909	43	29.73		169	22.69	43	32.10	169 20.05	113	119	3.03	16.9
86	15	13-Apr-94	1101	43	32.86		169	19.89	43	35.51	169 17.90	109	116	3.01	16.7
87	14	13-Apr-94	1305	43	34.79		169	25.91	43	33.62	169 29.76	33	50	3.02	16.3
88	14	13-Apr-94	1507	40	30.31		169	35.59	43	28.46	169 38.96	31	32	3.07	16.8
89	16	14-Apr-94	0704	43	24.28		169	19.44	43	22.66	169 22.90	312	325	3.00	17.0
90	15	14-Apr-94	0901	43	23.97		169	26.77	43	22.71	169 30.51	172	200	3.00	16.6

Appendix 2—continued

Station	Stratum	Date	Time	Start of tow			End of tow			Gear depth (m)		Distance trawled (n. miles)	Surface temp (°C)
				°	'	S	°	'	S	Min.	Max.		
91	16	14-Apr-94	1121	43	16.23		43	15.42		249	320	3.09	17.0
92	15	14-Apr-94	1336	43	17.02		43	14.14		191	197	3.01	16.7
93	15	14-Apr-94	1529	43	17.83		43	16.36		115	133	3.01	16.4
94	15	15-Apr-94	0703	43	17.43		43	14.99		100	105	3.05	16.1
95	11	15-Apr-94	0915	43	15.08		43	12.75		53	89	3.03	16.3
96	12	15-Apr-94	1117	43	11.59		43	09.17		129	133	3.00	16.5
97	12	15-Apr-94	1414	42	55.80		42	53.33		117	120	3.04	15.3
98	11	15-Apr-94	1623	42	52.99		42	52.02		35	48	2.98	16.4
99	12	16-Apr-94	0705	42	42.56		42	41.31		150	153	3.02	16.4
100	8	16-Apr-94	1114	42	25.82		42	24.28		183	200	2.99	17.1
101	8	16-Apr-94	1328	42	22.79		42	20.46		117	128	2.98	16.7
102	7	16-Apr-94	1541	42	15.82		42	12.98		51	51	2.99	16.7
103	8	17-Apr-94	0713	42	08.71		42	06.65		196	200	3.03	17.0
104	8	17-Apr-94	1053	41	46.64		41	44.14		150	154	2.98	16.9
105	6	17-Apr-94	1413	41	29.07		41	26.95		135	136	2.97	17.2
106	6	17-Apr-94	1629	41	27.64		41	25.80		143	145	3.01	17.1
107	6	18-Apr-94	0721	41	19.38		41	18.68		189	198	3.01	17.7
108	6	18-Apr-94	0931	41	16.52		41	15.49		173	173	2.97	17.2
109	2	18-Apr-94	1147	41	07.89		41	04.83		188	199	3.05	17.5
110	2	18-Apr-94	1343	41	04.37		41	04.42		167	177	2.98	17.3
111	2	18-Apr-94	1655	40	47.88		40	45.40		160	176	3.01	17.6
112	2	19-Apr-94	0710	41	03.65		41	03.38		134	145	3.13	17.2
113	2	19-Apr-94	0856	41	04.27		41	04.59		118	129	3.04	16.8
114	1	19-Apr-94	1057	41	05.41		41	05.74		65	87	3.03	16.0
115	2	19-Apr-94	1328	40	55.20		40	52.59		114	124	2.89	17.0
116	2	19-Apr-94	1534	40	44.51		40	41.45		141	141	3.09	17.2
117	18	20-Apr-94	0753	40	57.66		41	00.76		42	44	3.11	17.5

\*, Station not used for biomass calculations



**Appendix 3: Catch (kg) at each station of the 10 most abundant commercial species (species codes are given in Table 2).**

Station	SPD	BAR	RCO	STA	TAR	SQU	HOK	SCH	GUR	LIN	Total	All species
1	140.7	67.1	258.9	0.4	3	16.8	0.1	1.2	96.8	1.2	586.2	850.9
2	6	18.8	8	3.8	22.8	22	0	5.2	40.2	0.2	127.0	299.9
3	13.6	43.8	7.7	0	20.3	19.7	0	6.7	44.4	3.6	159.8	412.7
4	77.3	117.9	14.2	0.9	4.7	13.7	0	2.1	62.8	2.2	295.8	528.9
5	209.6	70	54.5	2.1	84.6	11.3	0	0	76.8	0	508.9	675.6
6	73.7	639.6	12.8	0	0.1	8.6	0	1	55.9	0	791.7	926.5
7	53.4	284.4	22.2	0	2	12.9	0	8.1	37.9	0	420.9	530.4
8	32.9	40.4	6.4	0	9.4	34.3	0	10.1	8.7	0	142.2	181.9
9	21.7	298.1	0	0.6	9.7	62.5	0	31.1	2.1	0	425.8	582.0
10	0	1.4	0	0	0	10.4	0	16.3	40.6	0	68.7	203.9
11	77.6	14.8	0	2.4	3.8	31.8	0	3.5	10.1	0	144.0	219.6
12	38.1	6.9	116.9	5.1	5.2	4.1	0	16.3	2.6	0	195.2	252.2
13	134.9	87	0	0	0	30.6	0	10.4	0	0	262.9	317.6
14	160.4	93	0	4.1	0	3.9	0	0.6	39.3	0	301.3	339.7
15	145.2	67.4	117.6	0.5	0.4	26.5	0	2.3	18.5	0	378.4	1 170.3
16	93.9	243.7	0	1.9	0	81.2	0	0	0	0.5	421.2	505.2
17	63.3	55.6	59.2	0	75.5	34.8	0	0	0	0	288.4	1439.0
18	61.7	97	24.5	0	66.7	21.3	0	3.3	0.7	0.5	275.7	376.8
19	309.5	938.1	0	0	0	12.6	0	1	0	0	1 261.2	1 302.1
20	210.6	99.3	24.8	0.8	14.6	43	0	4.3	0	0	397.4	509.0
21	98.1	30.7	0	183.9	20.2	49.4	0	0	2.5	2.3	387.1	453.5
22	343.1	43.7	8.6	29.3	22.1	37.5	0	14	0	0.7	499.0	577.8
23	418.9	100.3	132	73.8	53.1	77.4	0.1	14.5	1.4	0	871.5	1 037.6
24	141.6	24.3	85.3	0	3.4	21.7	0.8	1.3	20.3	0.8	299.5	917.9
25	77.8	72.7	763.1	0	0	1.4	0	10.2	42.9	6.9	975.0	1 249.1
26	22.1	44.4	16.5	0	0	0.1	0	23.4	57.8	0	164.3	351.4
27	54.2	191.5	43.1	0	0	0.6	0	33.2	61.5	0	384.1	584.7
28	53.4	3.7	40.9	0	0	0.1	0	9.3	48.1	0.9	156.4	262.9
29	285.5	3.3	0	1.8	3.9	16.6	0	8.4	0	0	319.5	379.2
30	122.1	8.2	390.6	0	0	2.9	0	12.7	20.9	62.3	619.7	781.3
31	59.8	44.3	26.7	363.6	160.8	31.2	18.2	3.2	0	31.9	739.7	902.2
32	43.6	357.6	147	0	10.7	26.5	0	7.3	2.9	1	596.6	878.3
33	27.3	215.2	694.9	0	23	2.6	0	2.7	10.1	0	975.8	1 294.7
34	119.3	33.1	463.9	0	0	1.1	0	7.6	8.3	19.2	652.5	720.0
35	211.1	90.3	0	22.8	2.2	3.7	0	5.8	57.8	0	393.7	519.5
36	57.4	21	34.2	8.7	17.7	56.6	20.1	0	0	8.6	224.3	428.9
37	172.8	70.9	29.3	44.2	34.5	89.2	54	0	0	2.8	497.7	1 193.3
38	54.3	14	28.1	36.1	23.4	88.4	46.7	0	0	9.9	300.9	653.3
39	55.9	96.4	21.9	204.4	102	37.2	0.2	21.4	0	0	539.4	659.7
40	66.2	2.7	23.6	28.4	84.5	35	64.3	0	0	8.1	312.8	363.2
41	47.6	0	9.9	0	26	34	57	5.3	0	105.2	285.0	426.3
42	194.8	194.4	143.6	92.9	391.8	31.7	0	3.2	0	0	1 052.4	1 131.3
43	329.7	154	73.2	72.2	75.5	92.3	11.9	14	0	0	822.8	878.3
44	51.9	2.6	31	225.4	18	7.7	689.5	0	0	19.6	1 045.7	1 154.1
45	609.3	59.5	64.2	18.9	109.3	116.6	6.4	9.6	0	7.1	1 000.9	1 070.5
46	303.7	218.4	37.7	118.3	37.1	228.7	65.6	40.3	0	0.7	1 050.5	1 168.5
47	368.2	173.2	74.4	32.1	21.2	109.7	21	95	2.5	0	897.3	1 057.5
48	331.7	472.1	33.5	59.3	35	57.2	35.1	40.4	0	0	1 064.3	1 262.4
49	163.9	338.9	40.4	143.9	32.4	43.9	36.4	28.9	0	0	828.7	969.4
50	62.2	344	48.9	124	69.4	36.2	20.8	0	0	0	705.5	779.1
51	246.2	169	772.1	29.4	31.5	31.1	0	34.6	11.1	18.1	1 343.1	1 542.5
52	59.5	1.3	118.3	0	0	1.7	0	5	8.1	41.8	235.7	323.3
53	207.4	25.3	36.3	39	26.1	19.4	4.3	12.8	0.8	0.9	372.3	551.4
54	491.1	170.7	40.7	78.4	49.7	38	81.9	71.8	0	0.9	1 023.2	1 217.6
55	25.1	29	38.9	81.2	173.5	48.1	1.4	0	0	4.5	401.7	558.7
56	19.8	2	30.9	28.6	81.8	23.1	4.5	0	0	5.4	196.1	268.7
57	205.3	40.7	31.4	54.7	11.5	32.6	71.5	8.8	0	3.7	460.2	787.4
58	48.2	362.2	32.5	112.4	44.6	21.2	73.3	11.5	0	4.4	710.3	879.2
59	102.9	388.1	100	0.7	280	32	0	2.4	74.7	0	980.8	1 311.5
60	0	146.9	20.6	0	0	9	0	0.3	53.4	0	230.2	349.8
61	155.9	73	0	0	6	27.6	0	0	0	0	262.5	327.3
62	222.7	0	344.6	0	14.3	9.1	0	14.7	0	0	605.4	645.1
63	126.6	0	0	0	9.2	18.3	0	11.9	0	0	166.0	279.4
64	199.8	8.3	1.4	138.7	37.7	4.7	0	6.7	0	0	397.3	469.8
65	0	0	0	2.2	0	28.1	0	7.9	0	0	38.2	123.2
66	0	4.9	0	0	0	9.6	0	0	0	0	14.5	67.6
67	0	72.9	0	4.4	13.1	3.4	0	0	0	0	93.8	138.6
68	247.9	130.7	1 537.1	272.7	194.4	29.8	72.5	0	0	8.4	2 493.5	4 039.2
69	188.6	222.9	7	26.7	25.2	27.1	0.7	9.4	1.1	0	508.7	636.3
70	0	0	7.8	79.8	0	18.9	109.7	9.3	0	204.9	430.4	619.2
71	30.4	106.9	99.6	25.7	28.6	16.9	17.6	23.9	0	31	380.6	814.5
72	66.6	63.3	126.8	36.9	61.9	22.1	11.6	0	0	0	389.2	495.8
73	181.4	33.5	26.3	42.3	8.5	9	1.7	7.3	0	1.6	311.6	352.2

**Appendix 3—continued**

Station	SPD	BAR	RCO	STA	TAR	SQU	HOK	SCH	GUR	LIN	Total	All species
74	330.3	54.5	452.3	0	8.3	3	0.6	13	122.8	0	984.8	1 240.4
75	46.3	4.4	109.4	0	0	0.6	0	4	4.7	8.2	177.6	241.5
76	0	0	6.2	61.9	5.8	36.9	56.5	0	0	141.9	309.2	477.6
77	7.6	0	23.3	72.9	184.8	15.4	0	0	0	3.3	307.3	587.1
78	0	5.4	35.6	1 345.8	210.7	36.8	85.7	0	0	161.3	1 881.3	2 314.0
79	189.9	117.1	112	112.8	31	16.2	59.7	5.8	0	6	650.5	1 354.6
80	34.2	211.6	36.2	0	3.2	2.5	0	35.1	161	0	483.8	972.2
81	528.5	63.4	10.8	2	37.4	7.6	6.9	0	0	0.7	657.3	786.3
82	43.9	49.4	141.1	104.7	85.1	9.5	47.7	13.8	0	23.5	518.7	821.1
83	129	96.9	51.6	127.6	23.8	39.2	30.3	0	0	34.9	533.3	742.7
84	29.3	69.3	95.4	140.1	60.2	17.3	48.2	0	0	19.2	479.0	723.8
85	143.6	200.9	47.5	122.1	24.8	32.5	13.1	36.2	0	2.3	623.0	778.6
86	214.9	415.2	332.1	45.5	34.3	28.3	36.2	23.9	0	1.5	1 131.9	1 343.5
87	26.1	26.6	299.3	2.7	56.8	1.2	0	46.2	53.8	2.6	515.3	617.1
88	87	69.6	278	0	1.4	0	0	8.7	4.6	22.6	471.9	532.5
89	8.6	0	10.5	27.6	0	30.9	138.9	25.9	0	93.9	336.3	639.9
90	30.5	16.1	152.1	203.5	17.8	6.3	121.5	0	0	138.9	686.7	1 223.4
91	0	82.5	3.8	56.7	142.6	29.5	6.8	11.3	0	42.3	375.5	675.4
92	2.5	40.3	68.5	8.3	74.4	10.9	7.2	0	0	0.9	213.0	291.0
93	223.4	162.3	46.7	124.4	65.9	9.6	81.5	49.7	0	5.1	768.6	1 176.2
94	178.7	17.8	71.1	55.4	16.1	25.3	51.2	38.4	0	12.3	466.3	998.6
95	282.7	67.5	9.8	11.9	12.5	10.9	63.5	29.7	0	2.9	491.4	717.8
96	621.8	599	17.7	43.8	26.3	40.6	135.3	30.6	0	1.7	1 516.8	1 720.0
97	251.8	235.4	19.4	40.3	111.4	22.2	13.4	22.6	0	1.1	717.6	968.6
98	239.6	11.7	214.9	0	26.4	0.6	0	12.6	30.1	52.7	588.6	796.1
99	173.9	434.6	44.3	85.6	64.1	36.3	21.9	30.7	0	0	891.4	1 061.7
100	204.2	124.8	9.1	20.6	87.6	9.5	4.9	39.4	0	0	500.1	599.7
101	388.1	267	27.7	31.8	96	12.9	50.5	48.1	0	1.1	923.2	1 129.7
102	118.4	28	336.5	0	0	0.3	0	13.7	12.9	11.4	521.2	720.8
103	469.4	270	49.1	78.7	102	28.6	40.4	55.4	0	1.7	1 095.3	1 283.3
104	199.7	4	0.3	1.3	19	13.6	0	9.3	0	0	247.2	390.1
105	155.1	31.2	11.9	2.8	1.3	5.2	0	17.6	0	0	225.1	328.3
106	204.8	75.4	279.9	3.1	5.9	10	0	6.1	0	0.7	585.9	683.2
107	319.5	8.1	0	11.6	0	26.7	0	533.1	0.7	0	899.7	1 127.3
108	46.2	4.3	0	0.2	6.6	3.7	0	45.6	1.9	0	108.5	204.9
109	0	22.7	0	2.8	1.1	2	0	96.9	1.1	0	126.6	222.6
110	46.7	2.8	0	0	14.9	4.4	0	13.7	1.1	0	83.6	174.0
111	122.7	2.5	0	0.2	21.6	18.5	0	13.2	0	0	178.7	390.2
112	285.8	10.9	0	0	55.6	15.5	0	17	1.5	0.3	386.6	480.7
113	119	24.4	0	0.3	6.9	11.5	0	0	0	0	162.1	247.4
114	195.8	167.7	12.4	0.3	0.1	16.7	0	6.5	4.8	0	404.3	621.9
115	82.8	0	0	0	1.7	19.3	0	10.9	0	0	114.7	252.9
116	169.4	4.6	0	0.3	7.8	19.8	0	16.5	0	0	218.4	302.5
117	283.3	163.2	65.9	1.1	2.2	8.4	1.7	57.7	55.3	0	638.8	814.6
Total	16 932.0	13 024.4	11 088.9	5 911.1	4 553.0	3 016.7	2 722.5	2 212.4	1 479.9	1 416.8	62 357.7	86 304.2

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