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DATA AND PROCEDURES

Available sample catch data and sample length-frequency data by month, area, species and gear are listed in Table 1 for bait-boats and purse seiners fishing the Atlantic Ocean in 1975 to 1977 (data referred to as sample catch or sample length-frequency mean that the data are from only a portion of the country's total catch by species and gear. FIS catch data in Table 1 are assumed to represent total country catch by species and gear). Data were selected from Table 1 according to the criteria outlined in Coan et al. (1979). The selected data series were expanded to the total catch by species and gear of each country and then expanded a second time to the total Atlantic catch of all countries fishing in the Atlantic Ocean. These expanded data series were then used to calculate the percent by species and gear of the total Atlantic catch in each one-degree and 5x10-degree area and month. The percent by gear of the total eastern tropical Atlantic under 55 cm yellowfin catch in each 5x10-degree area and month was also calculated. The following procedures were used,

Catch Data

- 1) Sample country catches by month, one-degree area, species and gear were expanded to the total country catch by month, one degree area, species and gear with the equation,

$$TCC_{i,j,k,l} = \frac{UC_{i,j,k,l}}{UC_{*,*,k,l}} * TCL_{k,l}$$

where TCC = total country catch
TCL = total country landing
UC = unexpanded country catch, Table 1
i = month
j = one-degree area

and k = species (yellowfin, skipjack, bigeye)
l = gear

- 2) Total country catches (TCC) by month, area, species and gear were summed over countries to obtain total catches (C') by month, area, species and gear for all countries with data selected from Table 1.
- 3) The total catches (C') by month, area, species and gear were expanded to the total catches (C) by species and gear of all countries fishing in the Atlantic Ocean with the equation,

$$\hat{C}_{i,j,k,l} = \frac{C'_{i,j,k,l}}{C'_{*,*,k,l}} * C_{k,l}$$

where, \hat{C} = estimated catch

- 4) The percent (P) of the total Atlantic catch by month, area, species, and gear were calculated as,

$$P_{i,j,k,l} = \frac{C_{i,j,k,l}}{C_{*,*,k,l}} * 100$$

Plots by one-degree square and month for the eastern Tropical Atlantic are shown in Appendix I-II.

- 5) Procedures 1-4 were repeated to find total Atlantic catches and percents by 5x10-degree areas. Results are shown in Tables 2-3.

Yellowfin Length-frequency Data

- 1) FIS sample length-frequency data were converted from predorsal lengths to fork lengths with the logarithmic equation of Foinsard (1969),

$$\log \frac{l}{f} = 0.25204 + 1.18869 \log \frac{l}{p}$$

where, l = fork length (cm)
f = predorsal length (cm)
p = predorsal length (cm)

- 2) Sample length-frequencies (numbers at each length interval) were used to calculate sample weight at each length interval (SWLI) with the length-weight relation of Lenarz (1974),

$$W = \frac{2.96989}{f} \cdot l^{2.96989}$$

where, W = weight (kg)

- 3) One-degree area and month SWLI were combined to 5x10-degree areas and month for each country and gear.
- 4) Each country SWLI by month, 5x10-degree area, and gear was expanded to the total country catch in that month, 5x10-degree area and gear with the equation,

$$CWLI_{i,j,l,m} = \frac{SWLI_{i,j,l,m}}{SWLI_{i,j,l,*}} * TCC_{i,j,k,l}$$

where, CWLI = country total catch in weight at each length

i = month
j = 5x10-degree area
l = gear

and, m = interval average length (cm)

- 5) CWLI by month, 5x10-degree area, and gear were summed over countries to calculate weight at each length interval (WLI) by month, 5x10-degree area and gear for all countries.
- 6) WLI by month, 5x10-degree area and gear were used to calculate the percent of the monthly, 5x10-degree yellowfin catch by gear under 55 cm. The following equations were used,

$$WL55_{i,j,l} = \sum_{m=1}^{55} WLI_{i,j,l,m}$$

where, WL55 = weight less than 55 cm

$$PL55_{i,j,l} = \frac{WL55_{i,j,l}}{WLI_{i,j,l,*}} * 100$$

where, PL55 = percent under 55 cm

- 7) Percent of the annual under 55 cm catch (PAL55) for each month, 5x10-degree area and gear was calculated as follows,

$$PAL55_{i,j,l} = \frac{WL55_{i,j,l}}{WL55_{*,*,l}} * 100$$

- 8) Results were presented in Tables 2-3.

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Table 1. Available length-frequency and catch and effort data, 'x', and data used in the analysis, 'Q', for yellowfin tuna from the eastern Atlantic surface fishery, 1975 to 1977.

| Country | Gear | Area strata | Time strata | Available Data | | |
|-------------------|------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------|------|
| | | | | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 |
| Length-Frequency: | | | | | | |
| Angola | BB | ICCAT | Month | | | x |
| Japan | PS | 5x5 | Month | x | | |
| | | 5x5 | Month | x | | |
| | | ICCAT | Month | x | x | x |
| Korea/Panama | BB | ICCAT | Month | x | x | x |
| Ghana-based | BB | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| FIS | PS | 5x10 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| | BB | 5x10 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| S. Africa | PS | ICCAT | Month | | | x |
| Spain | PS | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| | BB | 5x5 | Quarter | x | | |
| USA | PS | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| Catch and Effort: | | | | | | |
| FIS | PS | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| | BB | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| Ghana | PS | 1x1 | Month | | x | x |
| | BB | 1x1 | Month | | x | |
| Japan | PS | 1x1 | Month | x | | |
| | BB | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| Korea | BB | 5x5 | Month | | x | x |
| Portugal | Surf | 5x5 | Month | x | x | |
| S. Africa | PS | 1x1 | Month | x | | x |
| | BB | 1x1 | Month | x | | |
| Spain | PS | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |
| | BB | 5x5 | Month | x | | x |
| USA | PS | 1x1 | Month | Q | Q | Q |

Table 2: Percent of annual catches and annual catches of undersize yellowfin tuna, total yellowfin tuna, skipjack tuna and bigeye tuna and percent of undersize yellowfin tuna in the square catch by 5x10-degree square and month for baitboats fishing in the eastern tropical Atlantic, 1975-1977.

YEAR= 1975 GEAR= BAITBOAT

| MONTH | 5*10-DEGREE SQUARE | | | % OF ANNUAL CATCH(PT) | | | | ANNUAL CATCH(PT) | | | | % OF SQUARE |
|-----------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------------|
| | 0 | LAT | LOH | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | YELLOWFIN CATCH UNDERSIZE |
| FEBRUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 5. | 215. | 1216. | 253. | 2.56 |
| APRIL | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0. | 34. | 12. | 0. | 0.25 |
| JUNE | 4 | 10 | 10 | 12.9 | 9.9 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 22. | 744. | 723. | 564. | 2.93 |
| JUNE | 4 | 15 | 10 | 66.8 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 113. | 312. | 551. | 476. | 36.13 |
| JUNE | 4 | 15 | 20 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 3. | 13. | 18. | 10. | 20.75 |
| JULY | 4 | 15 | 10 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 7.1 | 9.9 | 10. | 441. | 1280. | 1429. | 2.32 |
| JULY | 4 | 20 | 10 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.7 | 1. | 45. | 142. | 243. | 1.85 |
| SEPTEMBER | 4 | 20 | 10 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0. | 2. | 0. | 19. | 4.99 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 0 | 0 | 8.9 | 1.3 | 2.8 | 9.2 | 15. | 101. | 514. | 1324. | 14.93 |

YEAR= 1976 GEAR= BAITBOAT

| MONTH | 5*10-DEGREE SQUARE | | | % OF ANNUAL CATCH(PT) | | | | ANNUAL CATCH(PT) | | | | % OF SQUARE |
|----------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------------|
| | 0 | LAT | LOH | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | YELLOWFIN CATCH UNDERSIZE |
| JANUARY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 0. | 52. | 750. | 380. | 0.45 |
| JANUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 0. | 49. | 577. | 160. | 0.23 |
| JANUARY | 4 | 10 | 20 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1. | 2. | 9. | 69. | 66.27 |
| FEBRUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 2. | 45. | 751. | 223. | 5.17 |
| MARCH | 4 | 0 | 0 | 7.2 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 4.8 | 13. | 102. | 957. | 608. | 12.77 |
| APRIL | 4 | 5 | 10 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4. | 54. | 2. | 0. | 6.92 |
| APRIL | 4 | 10 | 10 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 6. | 192. | 75. | 0. | 3.06 |
| MAY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 37.2 | 15.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 67. | 1361. | 170. | 0. | 4.94 |
| MAY | 4 | 10 | 20 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3. | 45. | 0. | 0. | 7.60 |
| JUNE | 4 | 10 | 10 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 11. | 551. | 678. | 0. | 2.04 |
| JUNE | 4 | 15 | 10 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 5. | 267. | 43. | 0. | 1.69 |
| JULY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 11.3 | 2.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 20. | 204. | 118. | 19. | 9.98 |
| JULY | 4 | 15 | 10 | 13.9 | 12.6 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 25. | 1133. | 623. | 598. | 2.22 |
| AUGUST | 4 | 15 | 10 | 6.7 | 9.0 | 0.9 | 11.3 | 12. | 808. | 271. | 1427. | 1.49 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0. | 38. | 117. | 3. | 1.26 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 15 | 20 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 2. | 194. | 381. | 13. | 1.23 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 15 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 20. | 292. | 0. | 0.27 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 15 | 20 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0. | 59. | 170. | 0. | 0.45 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 10 | 10 | 2.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5. | 38. | 5. | 0. | 12.13 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 10 | 20 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2. | 18. | 14. | 0. | 12.26 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 15 | 20 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0. | 48. | 118. | 0. | 0.80 |

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Table 2: Continued.

YEAR= 1977 GEAR= BAITCAT

| MONTH | 5*10-DEGREE SQUARE | | | % OF ANNUAL CATCH(MT) | | | | ANNUAL CATCH(MT) | | | | % OF SQUARE |
|-----------|--------------------|-----|----|-----------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------------|
| | Q | LAT | LO | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | YELLOWFIN CATCH UNDERSIZE |
| JANUARY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 4.9 | 2.0 | 12. | 12. | 2110. | 214. | 100.00 |
| JANUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 22. | 81. | 1762. | 293. | 26.89 |
| FEBRUARY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 5. | 7. | 435. | 30. | 71.86 |
| FEBRUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 5.0 | 1.3 | 65. | 77. | 2140. | 133. | 84.85 |
| FEBRUARY | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 7. | 8. | 25. | 0. | 94.81 |
| MARCH | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 26. | 26. | 189. | 21. | 98.66 |
| MARCH | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3.7 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 70. | 166. | 640. | 41. | 42.27 |
| MARCH | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2. | 39. | 2. | 0. | 6.34 |
| MARCH | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 9. | 0. | 0. | 0.25 |
| APRIL | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 45. | 62. | 821. | 84. | 73.15 |
| APRIL | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 8. | 13. | 74. | 2. | 57.17 |
| APRIL | 4 | 10 | 10 | 1.1 | 5.6 | 0.7 | 4.7 | 20. | 610. | 294. | 496. | 3.35 |
| MAY | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1. | 2. | 73. | 0. | 71.66 |
| MAY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 6. | 10. | 370. | 2. | 65.82 |
| MAY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 1.5 | 9.5 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 29. | 1044. | 1051. | 280. | 2.80 |
| MAY | 4 | 15 | 10 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 3.4 | 4. | 190. | 250. | 363. | 2.16 |
| JUNE | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 42. | 51. | 1337. | 32. | 82.32 |
| JUNE | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 4. | 5. | 112. | 1. | 95.11 |
| JUNE | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 3. | 5. | 34. | 0. | 56.97 |
| JUNE | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 3. | 4. | 49. | 0. | 83.56 |
| JUNE | 4 | 10 | 10 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 26. | 258. | 878. | 62. | 9.94 |
| JUNE | 4 | 15 | 10 | 1.6 | 8.9 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 31. | 981. | 577. | 260. | 3.13 |
| JULY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6.7 | 2.9 | 5.2 | 1.0 | 129. | 315. | 2226. | 110. | 40.93 |
| JULY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 14. | 39. | 127. | 0. | 35.06 |
| JULY | 4 | 15 | 10 | 2.0 | 10.7 | 1.0 | 20.5 | 38. | 1171. | 417. | 2179. | 3.26 |
| JULY | 4 | 15 | 20 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 5. | 98. | 9. | 24. | 5.43 |
| AUGUST | 1 | 0 | 0 | 13.2 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 253. | 308. | 2641. | 135. | 81.85 |
| AUGUST | 2 | 0 | 0 | 10.8 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 207. | 268. | 582. | 43. | 77.12 |
| AUGUST | 4 | 15 | 10 | 2.0 | 11.1 | 1.1 | 27.1 | 38. | 1221. | 485. | 2887. | 3.13 |
| SEPTEMBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3.6 | 1.6 | 5.4 | 2.4 | 68. | 179. | 2301. | 254. | 38.34 |
| SEPTEMBER | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 51. | 183. | 829. | 110. | 27.89 |
| SEPTEMBER | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0. | 17. | 178. | 6. | 0.32 |
| SEPTEMBER | 4 | 15 | 10 | 0.2 | 2.9 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 4. | 314. | 876. | 635. | 1.13 |
| OCTOBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 46. | 67. | 1253. | 290. | 67.85 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 0 | 0 | 24.0 | 9.4 | 6.5 | 1.7 | 457. | 1036. | 2787. | 184. | 44.17 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 15 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0. | 41. | 355. | 24. | 0.41 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 15 | 20 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1. | 56. | 42. | 0. | 1.89 |
| NOVEMBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 3. | 22. | 797. | 144. | 12.45 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 0 | 0 | 8.4 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 160. | 254. | 1345. | 112. | 63.02 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 15 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0. | 0. | 24. | 0. | 1.75 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 2. | 12. | 764. | 108. | 14.92 |

Table 3: Percent of annual catches and annual catches of undersize yellowfin tuna, to al yellowfin tuna, skipjack tuna, and bigeye tuna and percent of undersize yellowfin tuna in the square catch by 5x10-degree square and month for purse seiners fishing in the eastern tropical Atlantic, 1975-1977.

YEAR= 1975 GEAR= PURSE SEINE

| MONTH | 5*10-DEGREE SQUARE | | | % OF ANNUAL CATCH(PT) | | | | ANNUAL CATCH(KT) | | | | % OF SQUARE YELLOWFIN CATC UNDERSIZE |
|-----------|--------------------|-----|------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|----------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| | Q | LAT | LONG | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | UNDERSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | |
| JANUARY | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7.2 | 13.7 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 22. | 11378. | 580. | 0. | 0.25 |
| JANUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 14.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 52. | 82. | 6. | 0. | 70.19 |
| JANUARY | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1. | 65. | 14. | 0. | 0.95 |
| FEBRUARY | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0.6 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2. | 2941. | 771. | 0. | 0.08 |
| FEBRUARY | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 41. | 0. | 0. | 0.75 |
| MARCH | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 5. | 99. | 103. | 0. | 5.20 |
| MARCH | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1. | 182. | 9. | 0. | 0.32 |
| APRIL | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1. | 1676. | 32. | 0. | 0.06 |
| APRIL | 4 | 5 | 10 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 2. | 2574. | 397. | 0. | 0.32 |
| APRIL | 4 | 10 | 10 | 9.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 37. | 65. | 6. | 0. | 57.09 |
| MAY | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 2. | 1067. | 118. | 0. | 0.14 |
| MAY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 5.8 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 23. | 1806. | 968. | 0. | 1.23 |
| JUNE | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11.5 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 46. | 408. | 517. | 0. | 11.21 |
| JUNE | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3.7 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 1.9 | 15. | 376. | 1108. | 18. | 3.87 |
| JUNE | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 1. | 762. | 1194. | 27. | 0.10 |
| JULY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5.1 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 9.3 | 20. | 1727. | 747. | 90. | 1.13 |
| JULY | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5.3 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 12.2 | 21. | 1805. | 871. | 118. | 1.16 |
| AUGUST | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 4.8 | 4. | 1928. | 539. | 46. | 0.21 |
| AUGUST | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 3. | 406. | 296. | 0. | 0.70 |
| AUGUST | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 1.2 | 7.9 | 2. | 1708. | 483. | 76. | 0.45 |
| SEPTEMBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1. | 107. | 167. | 3. | 0.69 |
| SEPTEMBER | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6.4 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 25. | 2387. | 954. | 21. | 1.06 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 2. | 417. | 167. | 0. | 0.52 |
| NOVEMBER | 2 | 0 | 0 | 16.9 | 5.8 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 67. | 4779. | 529. | 14. | 1.40 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 0 | 10 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0. | 21. | 47. | 0. | 1.20 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 2. | 468. | 501. | 7. | 0.33 |
| DECEMBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 22. | 0. | 0. | 0.83 |
| DECEMBER | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.6 | 6.4 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 6. | 5286. | 308. | 0. | 0.12 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 10. | 532. | 581. | 0. | 1.80 |
| DECEMBER | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 1. | 2. | 0. | 5.38 |

Table 3: Continued.

YEAR= 1976 GEAR= PURSE SEINE

| MONTH | 5*10-DEGREE SQUARE | | % OF ANNUAL CATCH(MT) | | | | ANNUAL CATCH(MT) | | | | % OF SQUARE YELLOWFIN CATCH UNDSIZE* |
|-----------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|--------|-------------------|-----------|----------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| | Q | LAT LON | UNDSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | UNDSIZE YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | |
| JANUARY | 1 | 0 0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 6. | 702. | 300. | 0. | 0.80 |
| JANUARY | 2 | 0 0 | 1.8 | 6.5 | 0.9 | 1.5 | 11. | 5772. | 345. | 13. | 0.19 |
| JANUARY | 4 | 0 0 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 5. | 1190. | 606. | 0. | 0.41 |
| FEBRUARY | 2 | 0 0 | 0.1 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 2.6 | 1. | 2869. | 242. | 22. | 0.03 |
| FEBRUARY | 4 | 0 0 | 40.3 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 246. | 1241. | 49. | 0. | 19.82 |
| MARCH | 2 | 0 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 16. | 0. | 0. | 0.08 |
| MARCH | 4 | 0 0 | 1.2 | 6.1 | 0.4 | 3.8 | 8. | 5351. | 169. | 32. | 0.14 |
| APRIL | 4 | 5 10 | 2.0 | 3.7 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 12. | 3230. | 90. | 9. | 0.38 |
| MAY | 4 | 0 10 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3. | 5. | 0. | 0. | 67.85 |
| MAY | 4 | 5 10 | 5.2 | 3.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 32. | 2627. | 120. | 0. | 1.21 |
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| JULY | 2 | 5 10 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 15. | 645. | 610. | 3. | 2.25 |
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| SEPTEMBER | 4 | 15 10 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1. | 1741. | 483. | 11. | 0.08 |
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| OCTOBER | 2 | 0 0 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 7.2 | 14. | 3672. | 1753. | 61. | 0.39 |
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| OCTOBER | 4 | 15 10 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0. | 667. | 908. | 0. | 0.05 |
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| NOVEMBER | 2 | 0 0 | 5.7 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 35. | 2483. | 944. | 4. | 1.41 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 0 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0. | 110. | 62. | 0. | 0.21 |
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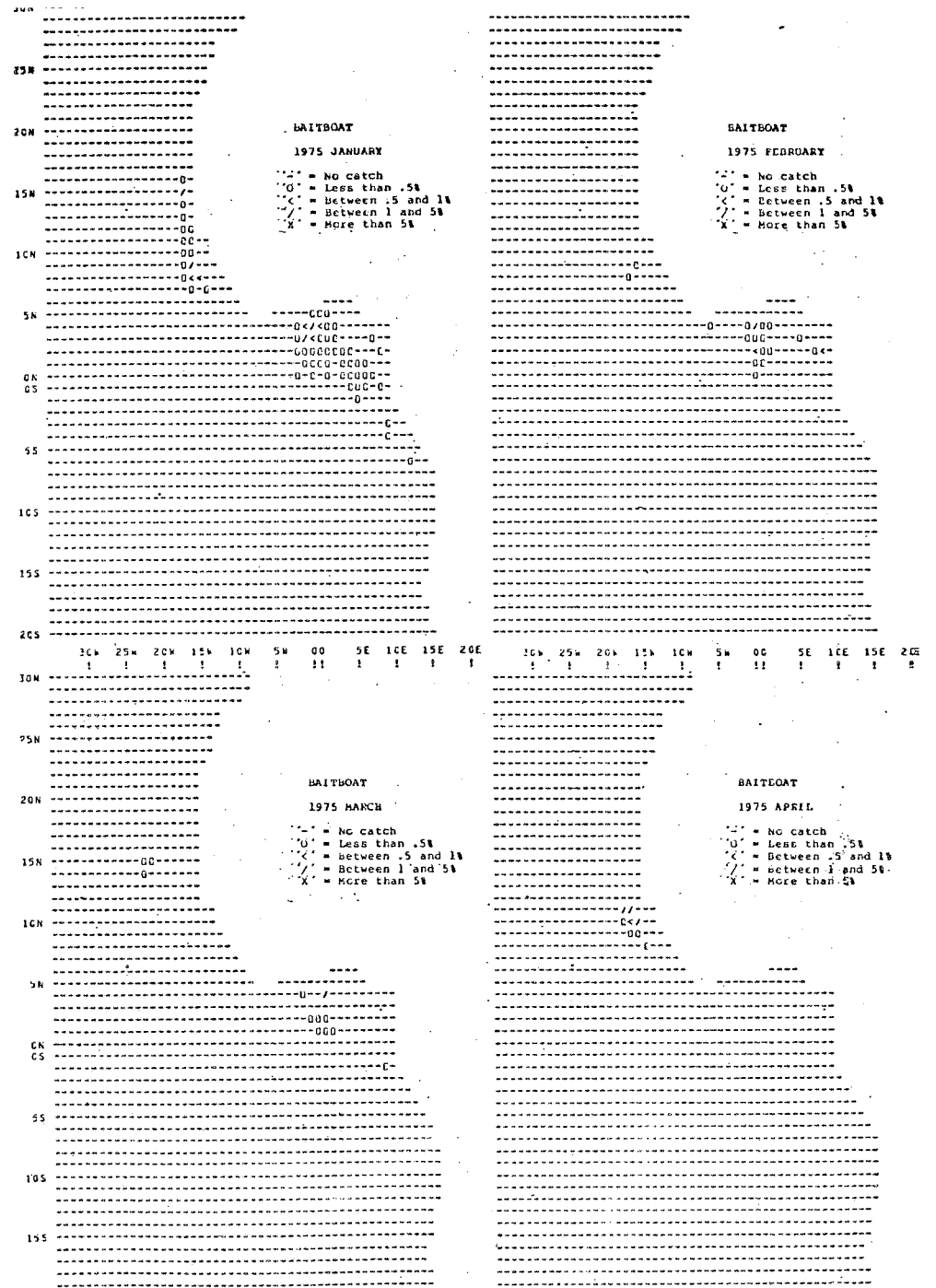
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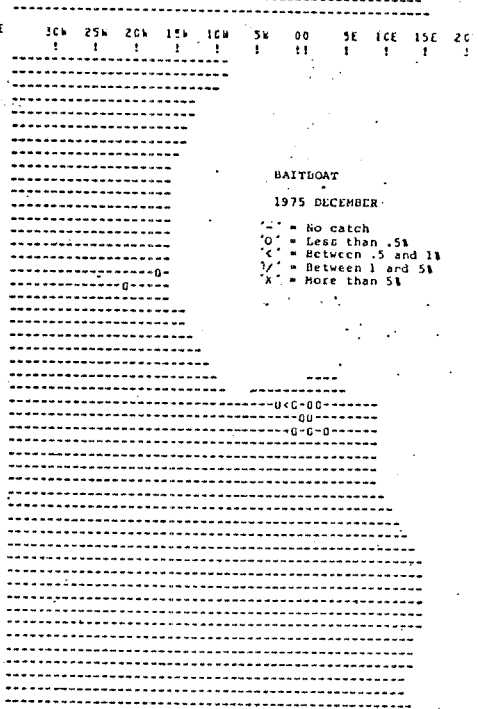
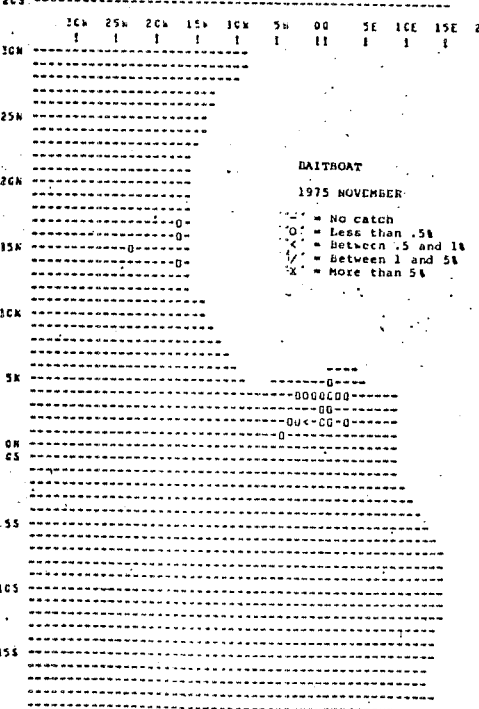
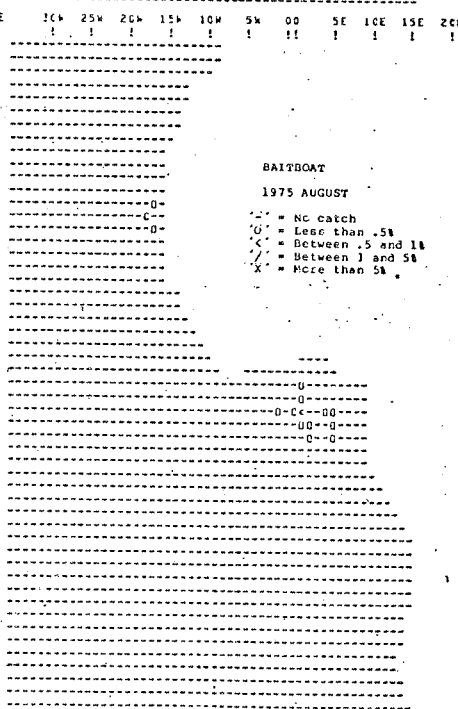
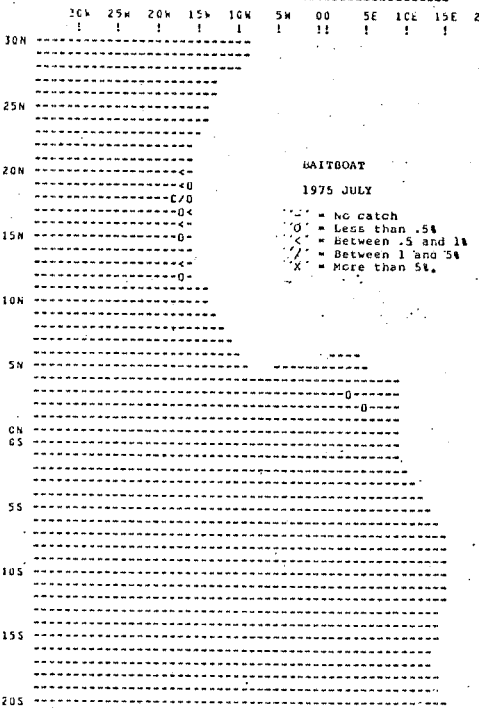
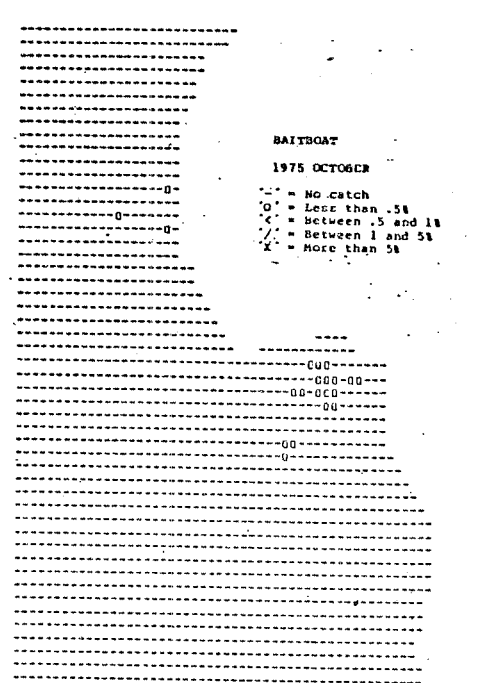
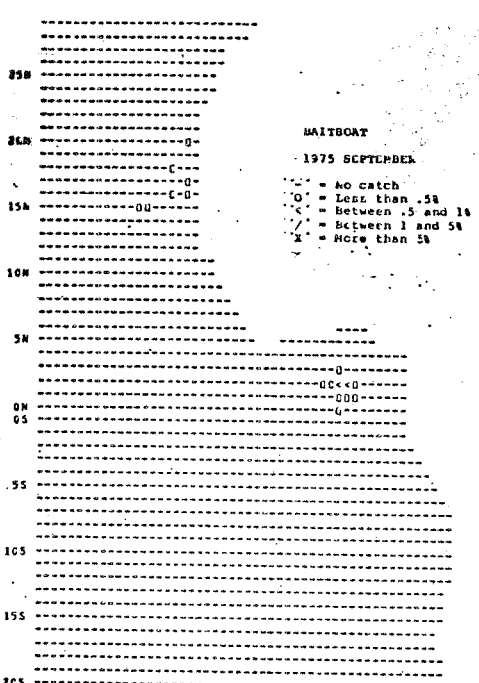
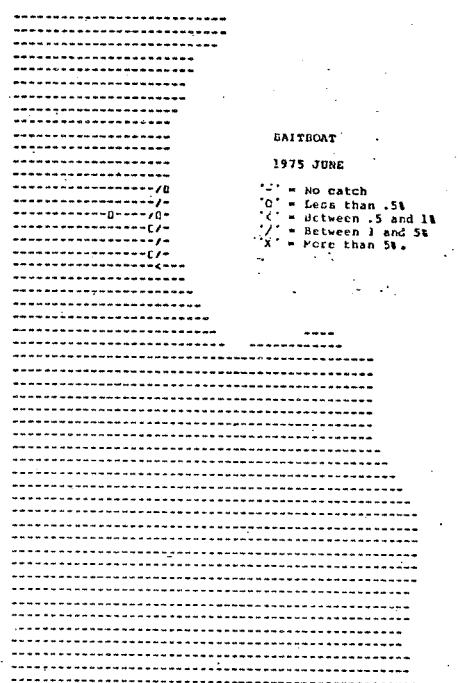
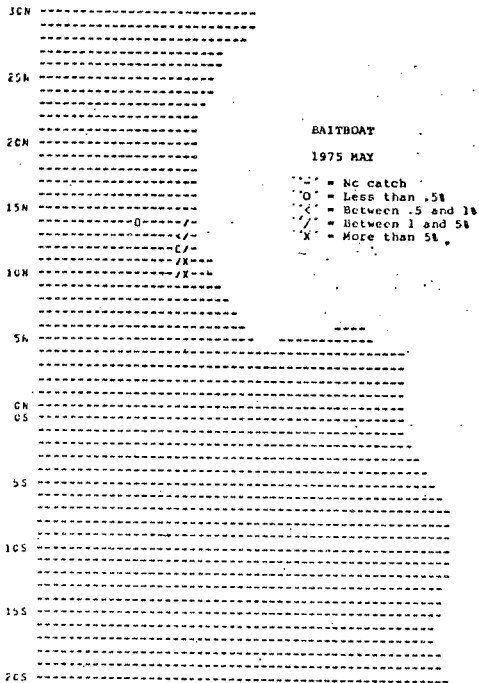
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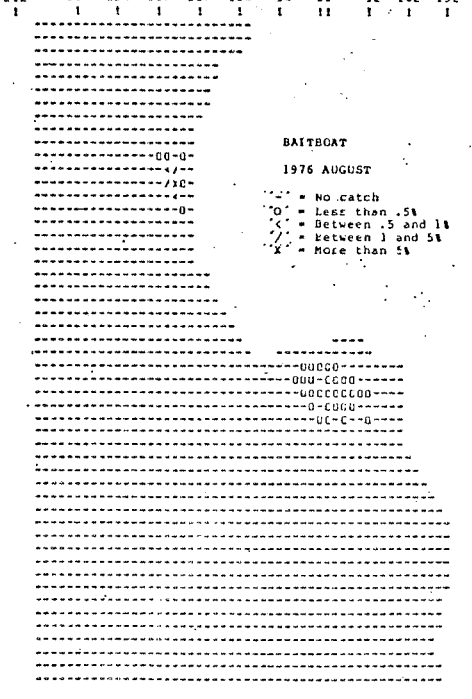
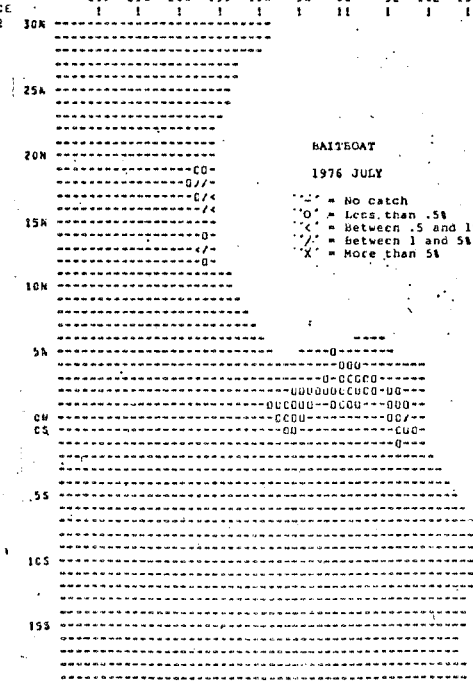
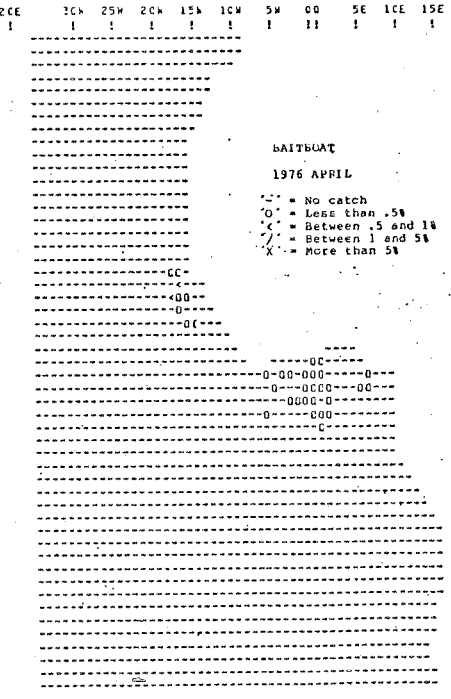
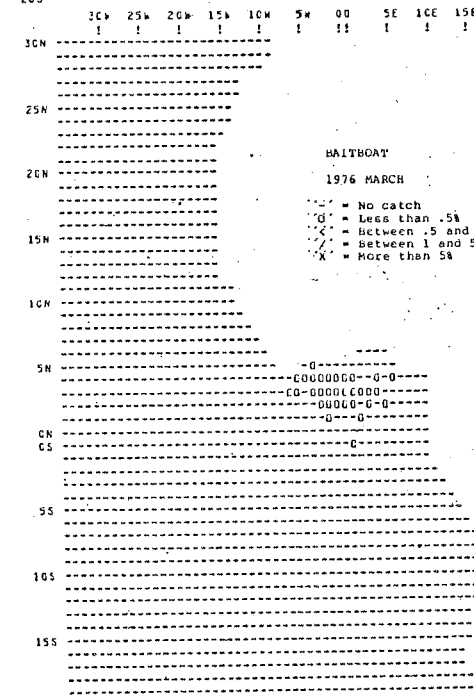
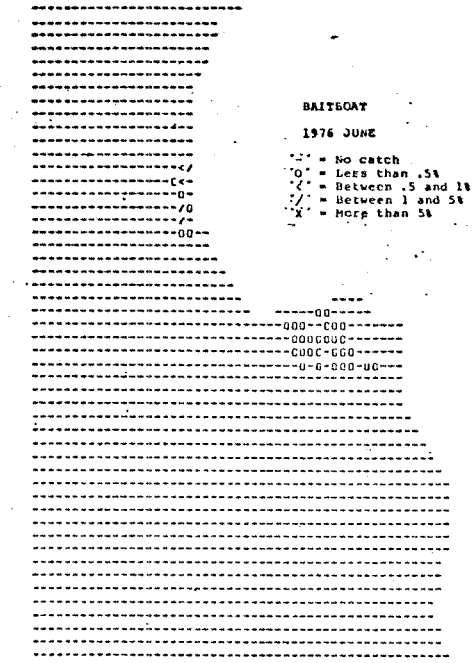
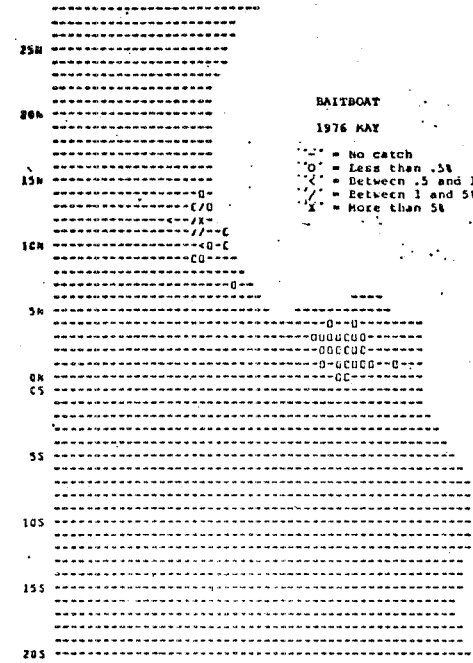
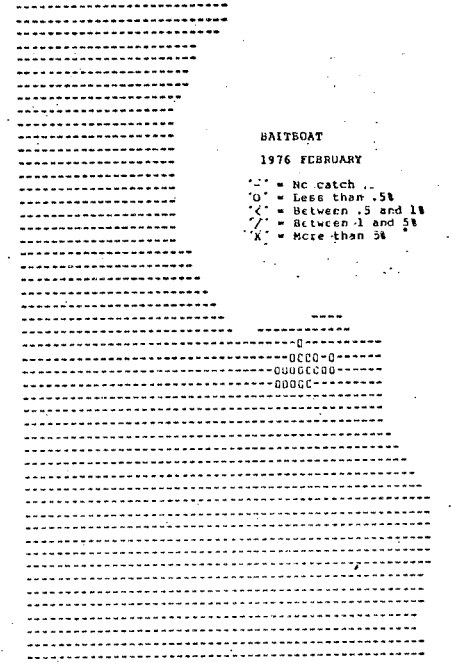
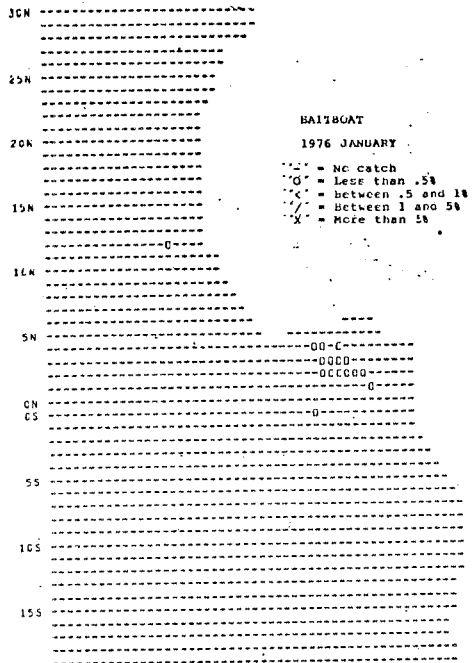
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|-----------|--------------------|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------------|----------|--------|-------------------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------------------------------|
| | Q | LAT | LDN | | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | YELLOWFIN | YELLOWFIN | SKIPJACK | BIGEYE | |
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| JANUARY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0.9 | 0.7 | C.2 | 0.0 | 6. | 604. | 128. | 0. | 0.96 |
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| FEBRUARY | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.1 | C.0 | 0.0 | C. | 69. | 30. | 0. | C.07 |
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| MARCH | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | C.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 60. | 0. | 0. | 0.08 |
| MARCH | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.1 | C.0 | 0.1 | 3. | 65. | 13. | 4. | 5.27 |
| MARCH | 4 | 0 | 20 | 0.1 | 4.1 | C.7 | 0.0 | C. | 3808. | 500. | 0. | 0.01 |
| MARCH | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | C.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 1. | 0. | 0. | 6.73 |
| MARCH | 4 | 5 | 10 | 4.0 | 4.7 | C.1 | C.0 | 26. | 4319. | 83. | 0. | 0.61 |
| MARCH | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.9 | C.0 | 0.0 | C. | 841. | 0. | 0. | C.01 |
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| MAY | 4 | 5 | 10 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 17. | 2979. | 875. | 2. | 0.57 |
| MAY | 4 | 5 | 20 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 3.8 | 5. | 3120. | 1011. | 198. | 0.17 |
| MAY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 4.6 | 1.1 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 30. | 1055. | 2643. | 50. | 2.89 |
| MAY | 4 | 15 | 10 | 5.0 | 0.4 | 4.2 | 5.0 | 33. | 344. | 2783. | 260. | 9.69 |
| JUNE | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.2 | 0.2 | C.3 | 0.0 | 2. | 154. | 218. | 0. | 1.03 |
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| JUNE | 4 | 10 | 10 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 4.2 | 2.1 | 13. | 2066. | 2842. | 107. | 0.61 |
| JUNE | 4 | 10 | 20 | 0.1 | 0.0 | C.0 | 0.0 | 1. | 11. | 0. | 0. | 7.79 |
| JUNE | 4 | 15 | 10 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 4.1 | 12.8 | 4. | 316. | 5432. | 661. | 1.11 |
| JULY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7.2 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 48. | 3261. | 1915. | 128. | 1.46 |
| JULY | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9.6 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 3.7 | 64. | 2588. | 3661. | 191. | 2.46 |
| JULY | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0.9 | 2.2 | C.8 | 0.3 | 6. | 2077. | 536. | 16. | 0.29 |
| JULY | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.0 | C.0 | 0.0 | 0. | 2. | 3. | 0. | 7.92 |
| JULY | 4 | 15 | 10 | 5.7 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 38. | 1017. | 886. | 9. | 3.70 |
| AUGUST | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 9. | 405. | 1271. | 16. | 2.18 |
| AUGUST | 2 | 0 | 0 | 15.6 | 3.6 | 7.6 | 1.5 | 103. | 3360. | 5090. | 80. | 3.06 |
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| AUGUST | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 1. | 613. | 1155. | 0. | C.09 |
| SEPTEMBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 2.7 | 7. | 1026. | 911. | 139. | 0.05 |
| SEPTEMBER | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 17. | 1192. | 2308. | 55. | 1.46 |
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| SEPTEMBER | 4 | 5 | 10 | 0.5 | 1.6 | C.7 | 6.4 | 3. | 1507. | 451. | 332. | 0.22 |
| SEPTEMBER | 4 | 10 | 10 | 1.1 | 3.0 | 11.0 | 3.3 | 7. | 2758. | 7368. | 169. | C.27 |
| OCTOBER | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | C.5 | 0.1 | 2. | 251. | 343. | 6. | 0.96 |
| OCTOBER | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 22. | 3263. | 684. | 37. | 0.69 |
| OCTOBER | 2 | 5 | 0 | 2.4 | 0.1 | C.5 | 0.2 | 16. | 87. | 313. | 11. | 18.21 |
| OCTOBER | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | C.0 | 0.0 | 9. | 41. | 4. | 0. | 20.93 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2.4 | 3.6 | 4.7 | 1.8 | 16. | 3297. | 3141. | 91. | 0.49 |
| OCTOBER | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 4.5 | 1.2 | 2. | 293. | 3012. | 62. | 0.82 |
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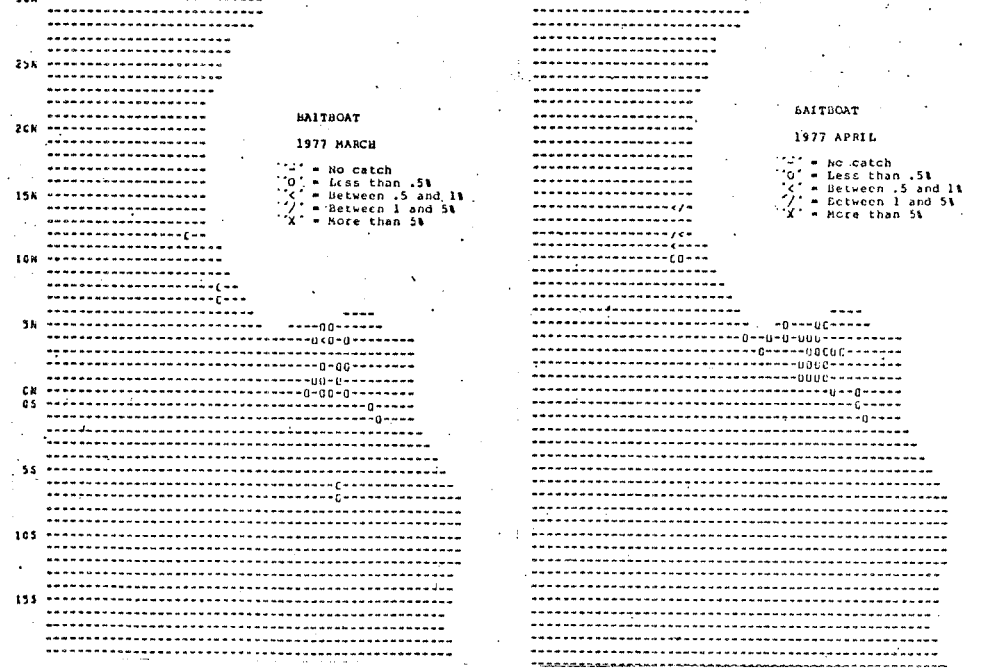
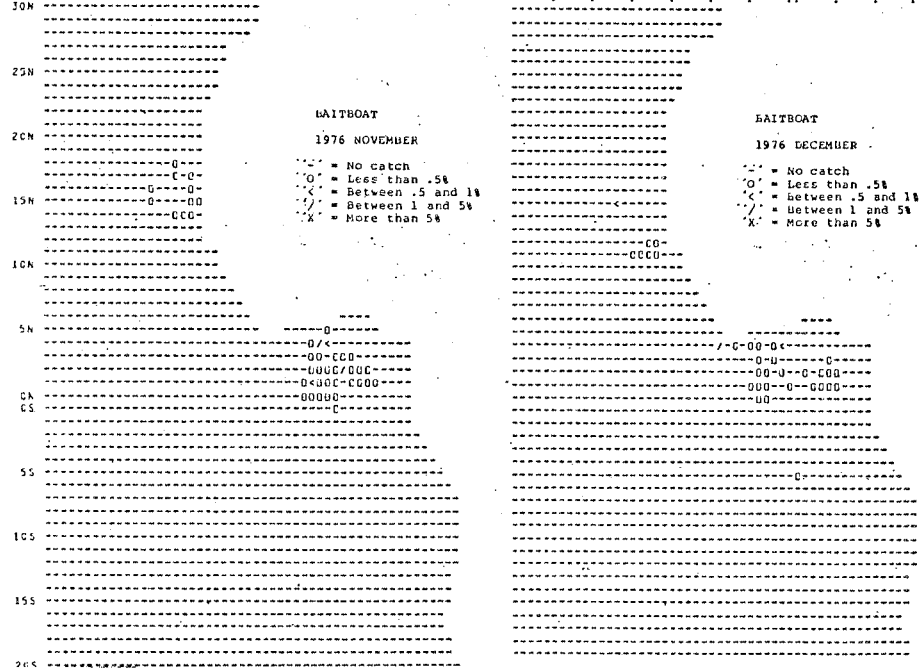
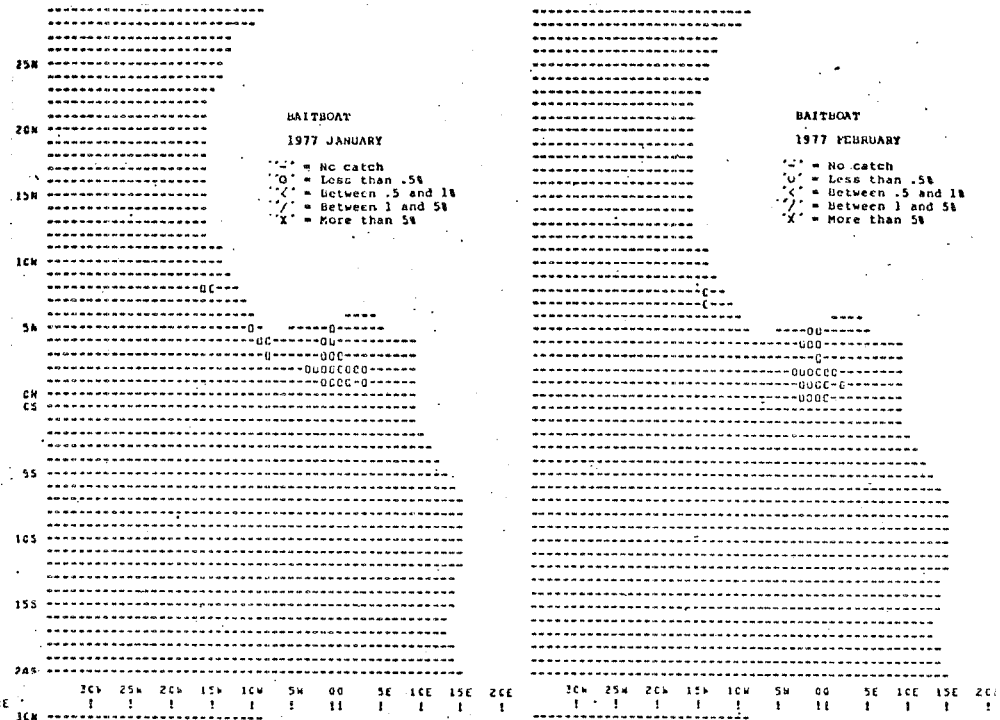
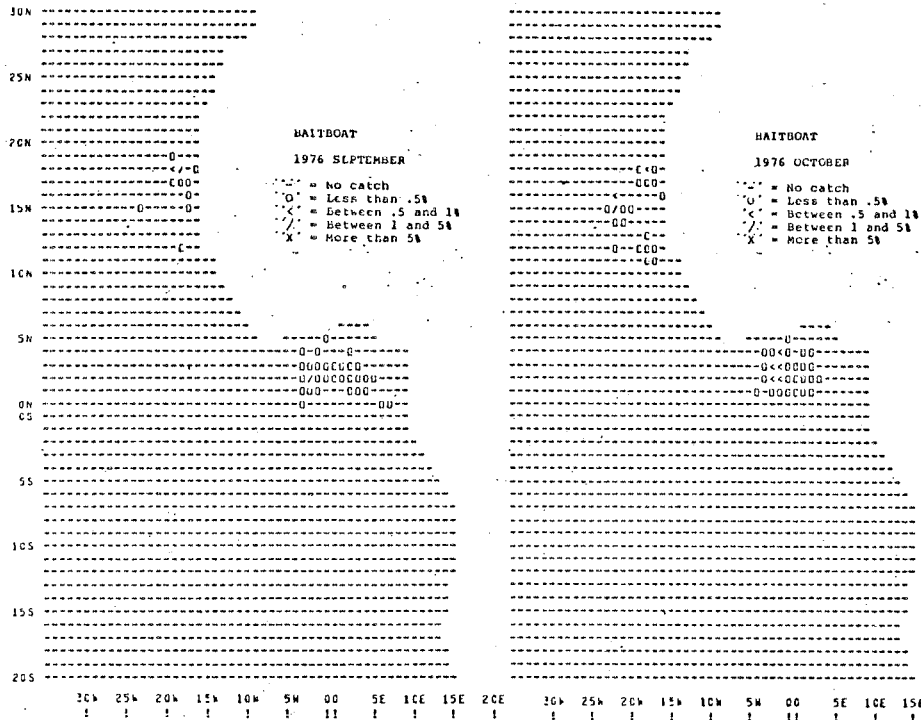
APPENDIX I

Percent of the annual yellowfin tuna catch by one-degree square and month taken by baitboats fishing in the eastern tropical Atlantic Ocean, 1975 to 1977.









10N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
15E
20E

BAITBOAT
1977 MAY

o = No catch
o = Less than .5%
o = Between .5 and 1%
o = Between 1 and 5%
x = More than 5%

10N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
15E
20E

BAITBOAT
1977 JUNE

o = No catch
o = Less than .5%
o = Between .5 and 1%
o = Between 1 and 5%
x = More than 5%

10N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
15E
20E

BAITBOAT
1977 SEPTEMBER

o = No catch
o = Less than .5%
o = Between .5 and 1%
o = Between 1 and 5%
x = More than 5%

10N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
15E
20E

BAITBOAT
1977 OCTOBER

o = No catch
o = Less than .5%
o = Between .5 and 1%
o = Between 1 and 5%
x = More than 5%

30N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
15E
20E

BAITBOAT
1977 JULY

o = No catch
o = Less than .5%
o = Between .5 and 1%
o = Between 1 and 5%
x = More than 5%

30N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
15E
20E

BAITBOAT
1977 AUGUST

o = No catch
o = Less than .5%
o = Between .5 and 1%
o = Between 1 and 5%
x = More than 5%

30N
25N
20N
15N
10N
5N
00
5E
10E
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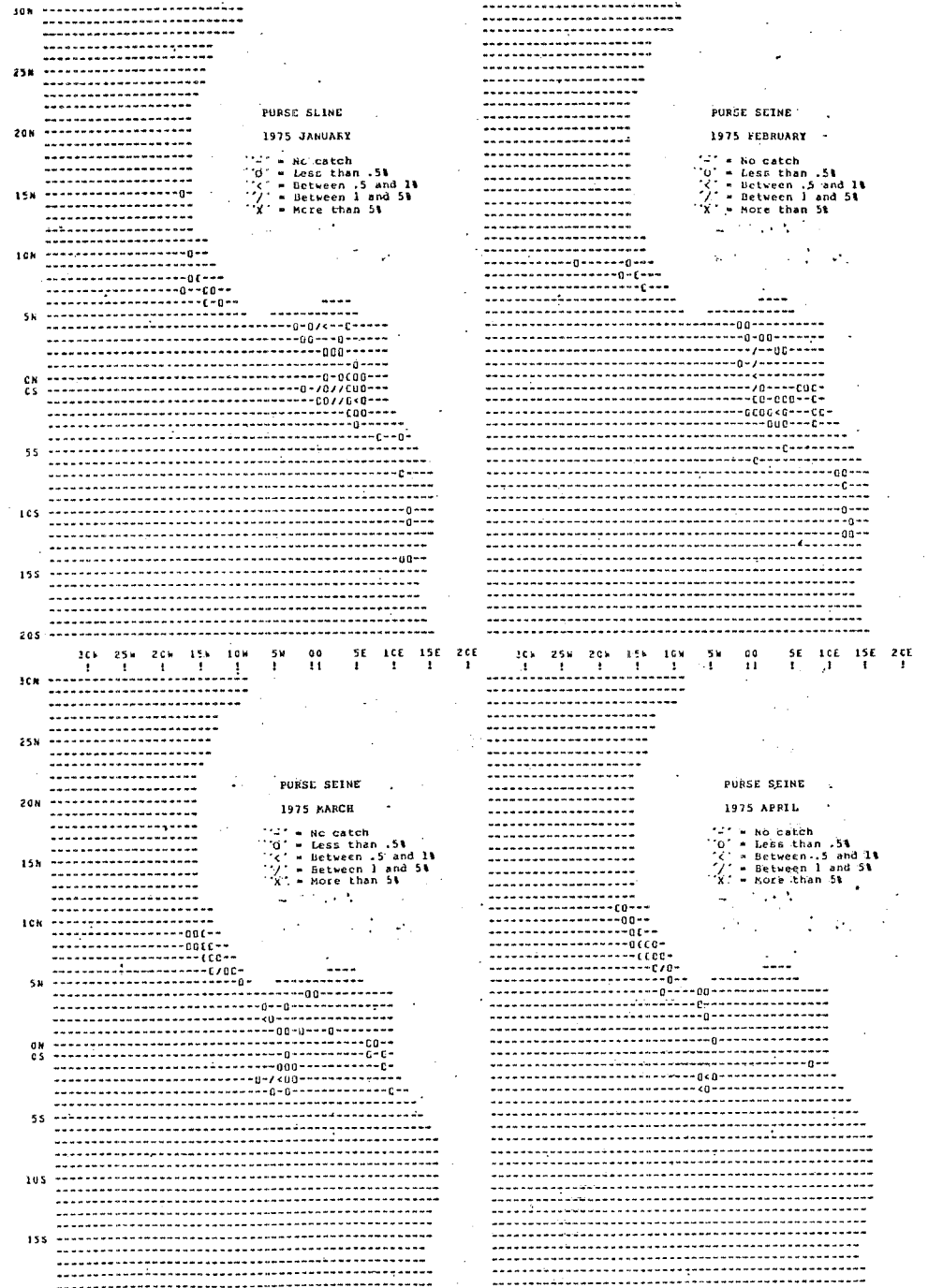
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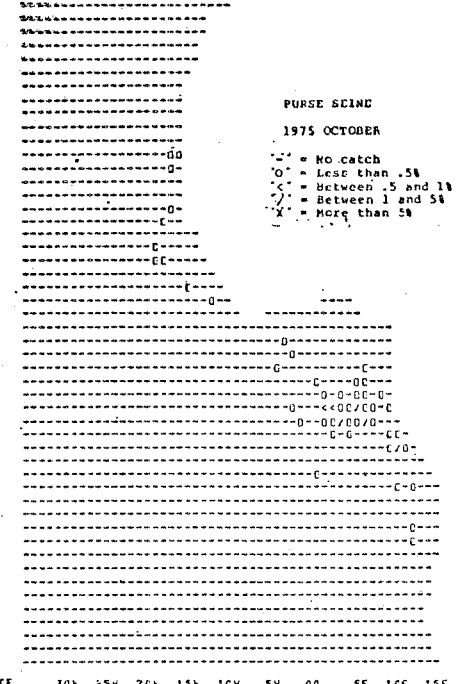
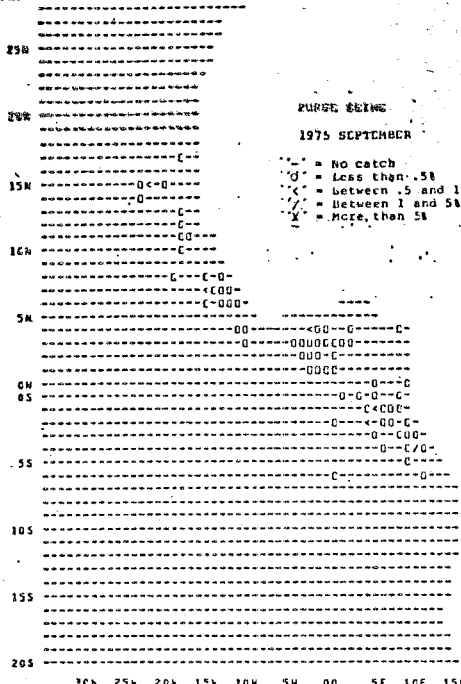
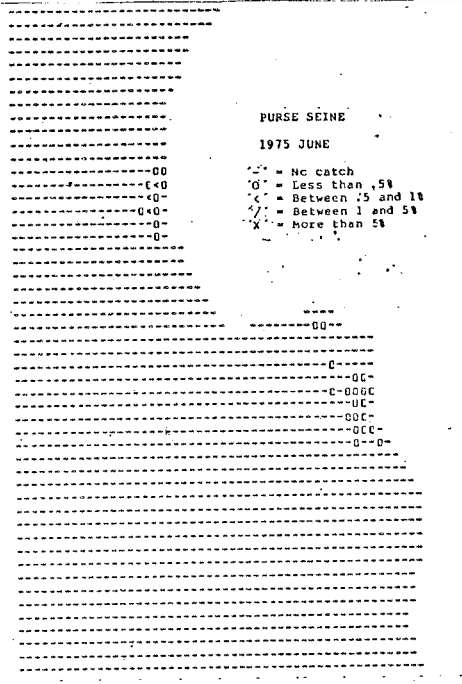
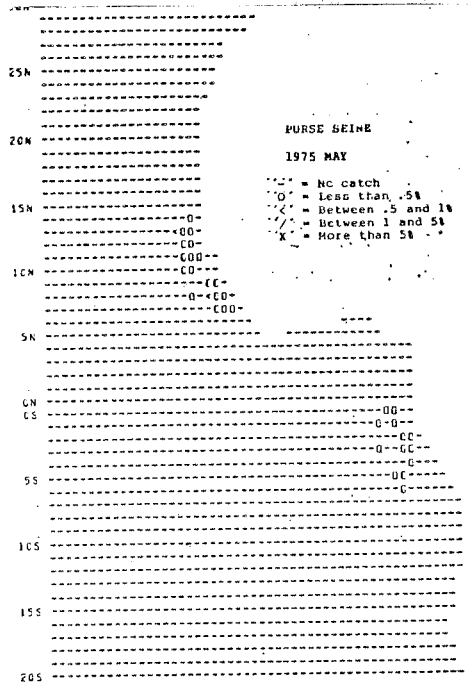
BAITBOAT
1977 DECEMBER

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x = More than 5%

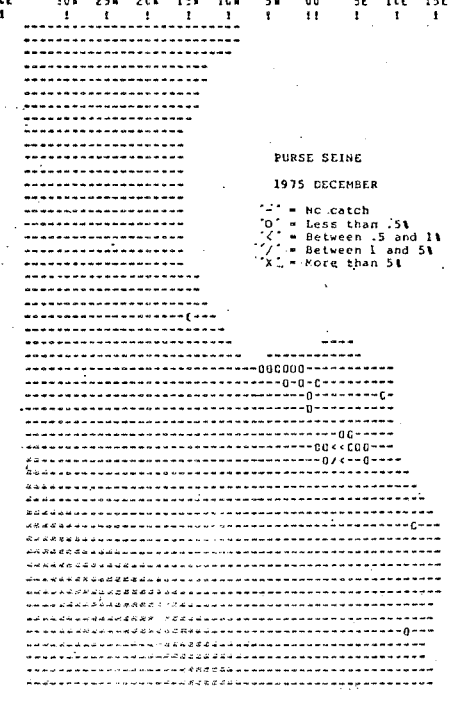
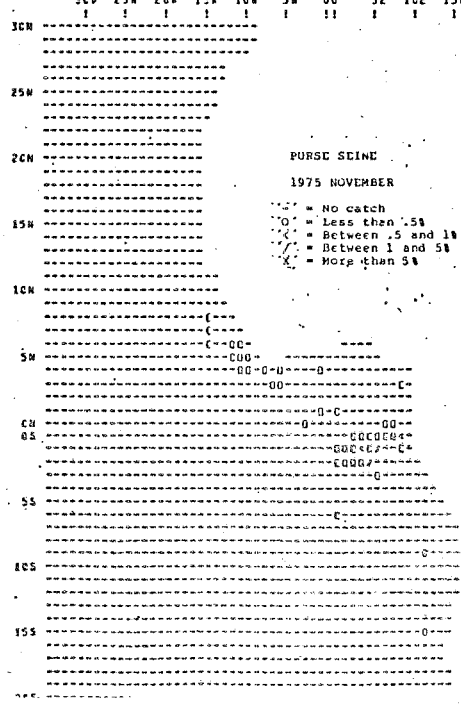
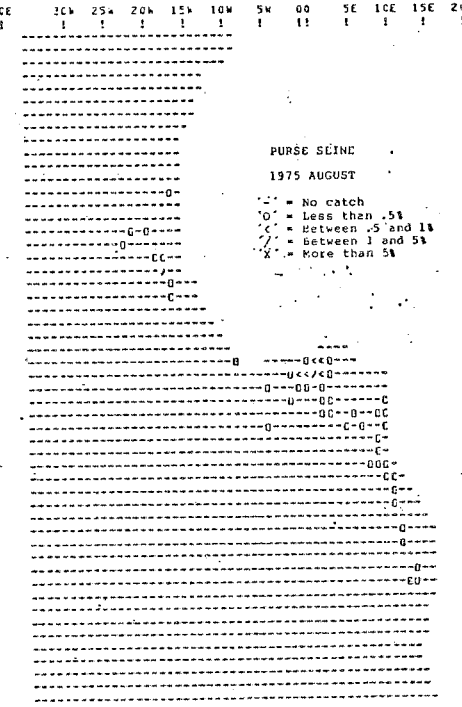
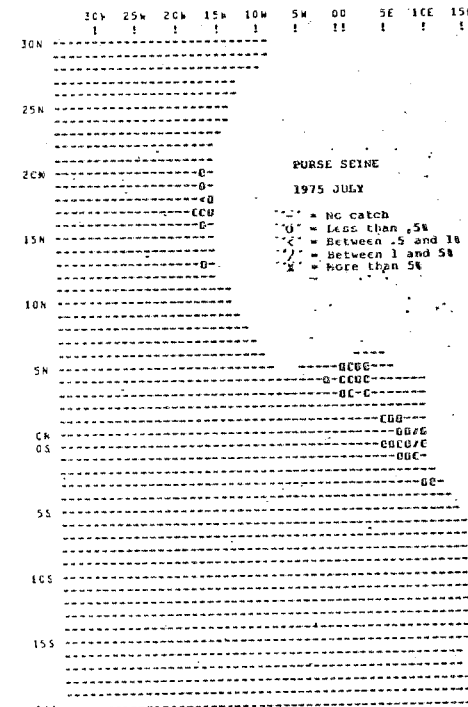
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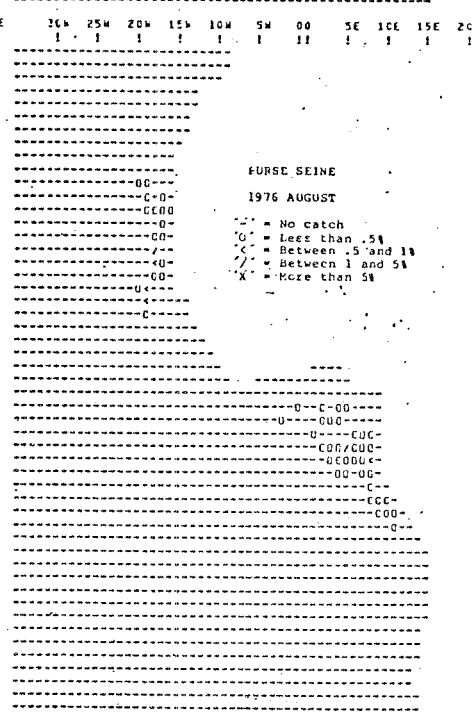
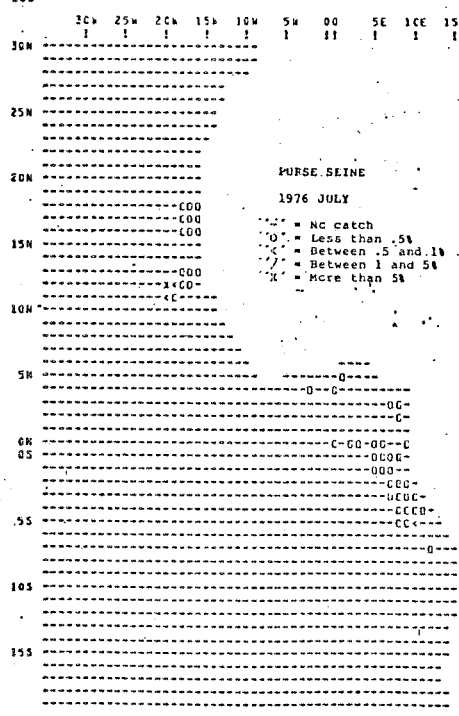
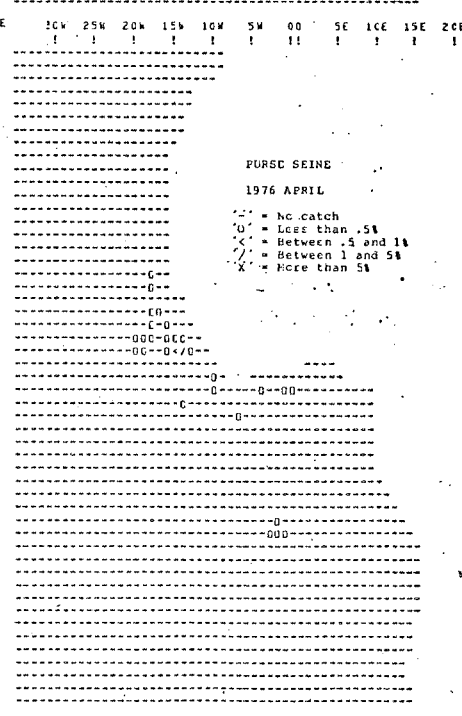
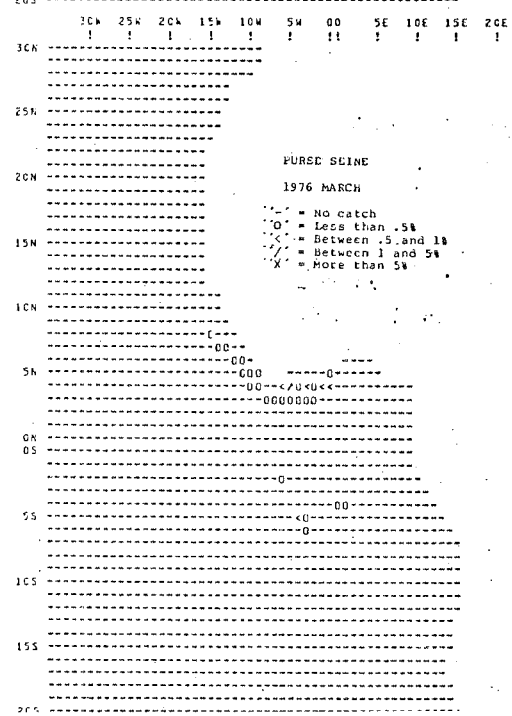
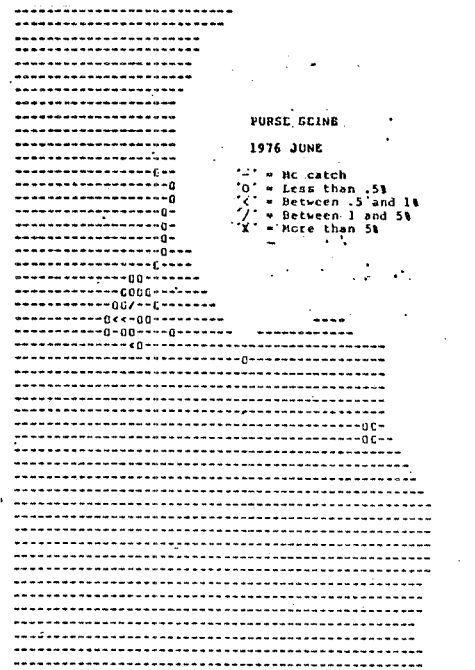
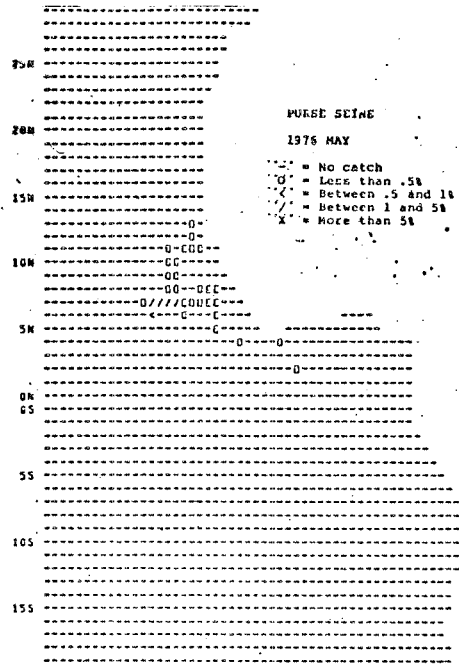
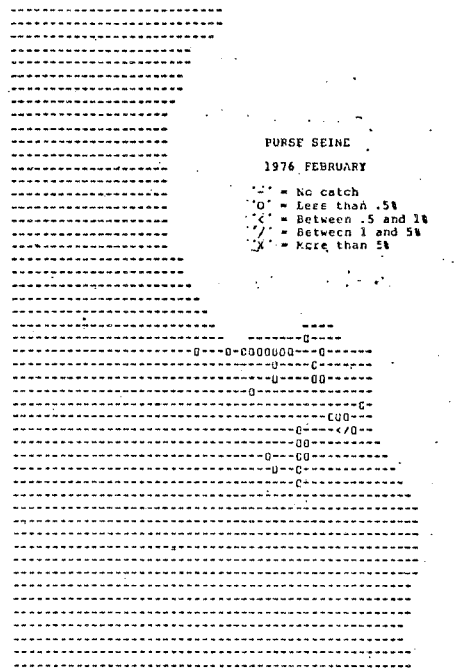
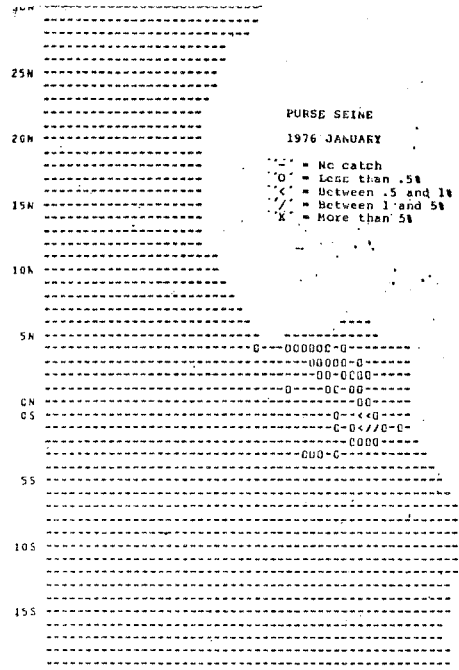
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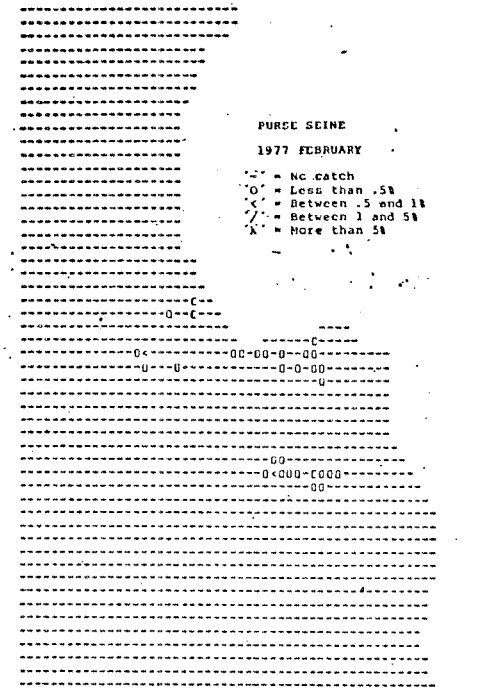
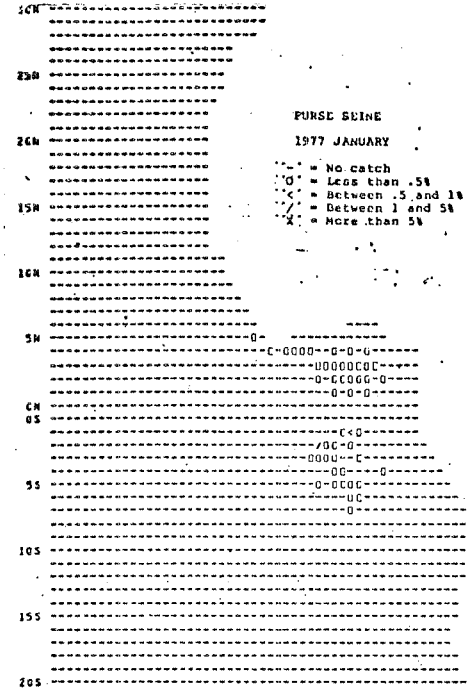
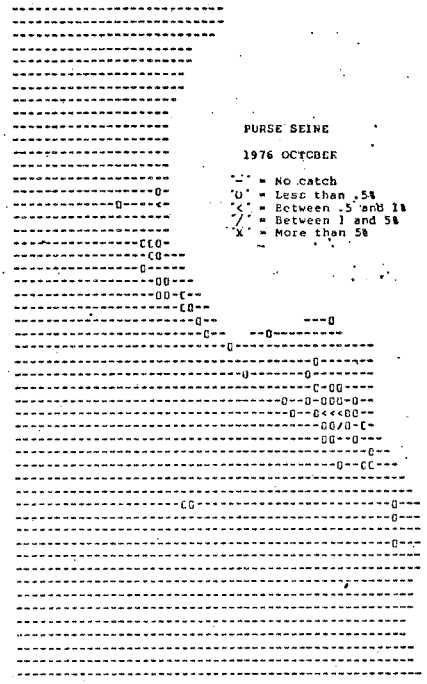
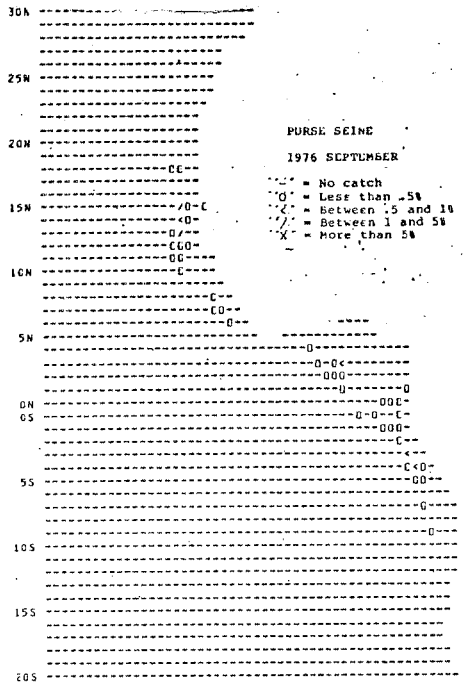




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