# Review of CPUE from the bluenose (Hyperoglyphe antarctica) target line fishery in BNS 2, 1988-89 to 1997-98 

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## 7. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report reviews the raw and standardised CPUE series of $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ and $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ from the bluenose target line fishery in BNS 2, for the period 1988-89 to 1997-98. The estimator of CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) appears to be more robust against vessel level variability in gear, and to explain more variability in the data than the alternative estimator of CPUE (kg/hook).

Raw CPUE and the first order interactions for these estimators are examined to review the importance of the statistical area*fishing year interaction in this fishery. Whilst CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) appears to be adequately described by a main effects model, complex interactions occur between vessels, months and fishing years for the CPUE (kg/hook) estimator, and the continued monitoring of raw CPUE by statistical area is suggested for this fishery. As data are sparse prior to 1989-90, it is suggested that subsequent analysis should be confined to the period from 1990-91 to 1997-98.

A decision is requested from the Ministry of Fisheries on which estimator to use in the subsequent MIAEL analysis of yield and biomass in this fishery.

## 8. INTRODUCTION

Bluenose supports a small target line fishery that represents on average $25-30 \%$ of the total BNS 2 landings from 1988-89 to 1997-98 (Blackwell 1999). Most of the remaining bluenose is taken as bycatch of the target midwater trawl fisheries for alfonsino (BYX 2) and gemfish (SKI 2) (Annala et al. 1999). The area covered by the QMA 2 bluenose fishery is shown in Figure 1.

## Objectives:

This report addresses Objective 2 of the project BNS 9701;
To develop standardised CPUE indices ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ ) for the line fishery for bluenose in BNS 2.

Preliminary data for this objective for 1988-89 to 1995-96 were presented to the 18 February 1999 Inshore Working Group (IWG) meeting, together with additional data requested under Objective 3, "To develop standardised CPUE indices of bluenose from the target trawl fisheries for alfonsino in BYX 2 and gemfish in SKI 2". The Ministry of Fisheries subsequently amended Objective 5 of BNS 9701 to include data from bluenose target line fishery in BNS 2 only. Concerns were raised at the Inshore Working Group about the variability in line fishery CPUE between the statistical reporting areas in QMA 2. To address these concerns, the following additional analyses were requested by the Ministry of Fisheries:
(i) To derive a standardised CPUE series of $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ for the target BNS 2 fishery
(ii) To review the fishing year*fishing ground interaction
(iii) To include data from 1988-89 to 1997-98

Additionally, the Ministry of Fisheries requested that the analysis methods include the loglinear model (Doonan 1991) and that use of the combined binomial and linear model of Vignaux (1994) be considered.

This report summarises this additional work required by the Ministry of Fisheries under this revised objective. It updates the original CPUE estimator of $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ evaluated under Objective 2 of BNS 9701 for the 1997-98 fishing year, and compares the use of both CPUE estimators for the period 1988-89 to 1997-98.

## 9. METHODS

## Information available, data constraints and error checks

Data were extracted from the Ministry of Fisheries CELR database for fishing years 1988-89 to 1997-98, where method was line fishing and the target species was BNS 2. These data include three methods: bottom longline (BLL); dahn line (DL); and trot line (TL). Data for this fishery is reported on the Catch effort Landing Return (CELR) database only.

Data were accepted if the following constraints were met:

- catch weight was less than $7,000 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{set}$
- number of hooks was between 50 and 7,000 per set
- CPUE (kg/hook) was less than 10 kg
- number of sets was less than 10 per day

The data were examined and outliers were altered if the cause of the anomaly was apparent, or the observation was deleted. The number of hooks and the number of sets were transposed on a considerable number of records.

Statistical area was used as a proxy for fishing ground, as the CELR data contains this location data only. Raw CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) was tabulated by statistical area. Effort was reported as the number of sets per day, and the number of hooks per day. This latter variable was treated as a categorical variable with four classes ( $1-799$ hooks $=$ category $1 ; 800-1499$ hooks $=$ category $2 ; 1500-1999$ hooks $=$ category $3 ; 2000-9000$ hooks = category 4 ).

## Variables

Variables used in the analysis were: vessel identifier; hook category; fishing year; month; statistical area; number of sets; method; vessel length; vessel breadth; vessel draught; vessel tonnage; year of construction (year built); and vessel volume (length*breadth*draught).

## Models

Lognormal linear (LNL) model. A stepwise procedure similar to that used by Doonan (1991) was used to calculate LNL main effect models for estimators of $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ and $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$. It is usual to apply a log transformation of catch effort data (I. Doonan, pers. comm 1999), and a small constant (c) was added to the data to avoid having to evaluate the $\log$ of zero. As the loglinear regression may be sensitive to the value of this constant, a sensitivity analysis was completed on the main effect model for each estimator.

The stepwise procedure of Proc GLM (SAS 1989) was used to calculate the LNL model and was continued until less than $1 \%$ improvement was seen in the value of the coefficient of variation ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ ). If the fishing year variable did not enter the model, then this was forcibly added, to allow annual indices to be determined. The fishing year indices were used to derive annual CPUE indices.

Loglinear interaction effects. As there are several alternative methods for analysis and interpretation of the fishing year*statistical area interaction term, statistical advice was received on the best approach to take (I. Doonan, NIWA, pers. comm 1999). It was agreed that the method used should be consistent with the stepwise approach taken with the main effect model, and should focus on the variables that entered the main effect model.

The model was re-evaluated to review the first order interaction terms for these variables. The variables were added to the model in the order that they entered the main effect model, using the stepwise procedure of Proc GLM, as described above.

For each variable that entered the model, the first order interaction terms were added to the full model until the additional variable or interaction explained less than $1 \%$ of the variation in the data.

Combined model. Where the data are highly skewed, typically as a result of a high number of zero catch records, the data are unlikely to comply with the model assumptions of normality and heterogeneity of variance (Snedecor \& Cochran 1980). In such cases a log transformation may be insufficient, and the combined model (Vignaux 1994) may be more appropriate than the loglinear model. This method analyses fishing success separately, using a binomial model, then the successful catch data are examined using a loglinear model. The indices from the two parts of the model are then combined using the method described in Vignaux (1994). Statistical advice (I. Doonan, pers. comm 1999) indicated that use of the extended model is appropriate if more than $10 \%$ of the data represented zero catch records.

The number of zero catch records is very low in this target line fishery (Table 1), reaching a maximum of $5 \%$ of the data during 1993-94. This is less than the $10 \%$ threshold, and the combined model was not required in the data analysis. The percentage of zero catch does not seem to be related to trends in either the $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ or $\mathrm{kg} /$ hook CPUE data (Figure 2).

## 10. RESULTS

## Examination of raw CPUE

Fishing effort is unevenly distributed between statistical areas and fishing years (Appendix 1), and between fishing years and fishing methods (Appendix 2). Insufficient data are available to separately analyse trends in the dahn line (DL) and trot line (TL) data. Many statistical areas have been lightly fished and data were excluded from further analysis where fewer than 5 sets occurred per fishing year. Area 201 (see Figure 1) was also excluded as data from this area are available only for the 1990-91 and 1992-93 fishing years.

As only 10 years of CPUE data are available in this fishery, firm trends are difficult to determine. Raw CPUE for both $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ and for $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ (Figure 2) appears to have increased from 1988-89 to 1990-91, remained relatively stable from 1991-92 to . 1996-97, then declined in 1997-98.

Although CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) by statistical area (Figure 3) follows this general trend, catch rate varies between statistical areas. In areas 11-14, CPUE increased from 1988-89 to 1993-94, with the highest rates of increase in area 13 and 14. CPUE in area 13 continued to increase until 1996-97, then declined to a similar level to that of areas 11 and 12 during 1997-98. For the southern areas ( $15 \& 16$ ), CPUE is much lower and variable, with a slightly increasing trend in area 15 and a decreasing trend in area 15.

The CPUE (kg/hook) data by area (Figure 4) are also consistent with these general trends, although the data appears to be more variable. This variability may be related in part to changes in fishing gear, within statistical areas (see Appendix 2).

## Loglinear modelling

## Loglinear (LNL) model

CPUE (kg/set) For the main effects model (Table 2), variables vessel ID and hook category entered the model, which explained $49 \%$ of the variation. The sensitivity analysis indicated that the model is not sensitive to levels of the constant (c) used in the analysis. The forcible addition of fishing year to the model to derive annual indices explained a further $0.9 \%$ of the variation. Trends in the main effect model indices are generally consistent with the trends previously described for raw CPUE (Figure 5).

For the CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) estimator, addition of the vessel ID*hook category interaction (Table 2) to the full model explained $52 \%$ of the variability in the data. The forcible addition of fishing year into the model to derive annual indices explained a further $0.7 \%$ of the variability. The full model indices (Figure 5) are similar to the main effect model indices, although the s.e.'s are higher for the full model (Table 2).

CPUE (kg/hook) The variables vessel ID, hook category, number of sets, month and fishing year entered the main effects model (Table 3), and explained $28 \%$ of the variation in the data. Annual indices from the main effects model (Figure 6) show little contrast between fishing years. The sensitivity analysis indicated that the model is not sensitive to levels of the constant (c) used in the analysis.

From Table 3, the variables vessel ID, hook category, vessel ID*hook category, fishing year, vessel $\mathrm{ID} *$ fishing year and hook category*fishing year entered the full model, and together explained $47 \%$ of the variability in the data. Complex interactions occur between vessels and the amount of gear fished (number of hooks, number of sets), and these interactions differ between fishing years. Because the first order interactions between fishing year*vessel ID and fishing year*hook category entered the model, a single annual index may be inappropriate for the full model. As the annual indices of CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ ) may not adequately describe the variability within the data, these indices should be interpreted with caution.

## 11. DISCUSSION

Raw CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) from the bluenose target line fishery appears to have increased from 1988-89 to 1990-91, remained generally stable until 1996-97, then declined slightly during 1997-98. Trends in raw CPUE (kg/hook) are consistent with these patterns, but the data are more variable. The data are too sparse to allow separate analysis of trends by fishing method. The percentage of zero catch records in this target fishery does not exceed the $10 \%$ threshold suggested for use of the combined model of Vignaux (1994) and CPUE analysis was confined to the loglinear model of Doonan (1991).

From the loglinear analysis of CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ), categorical variables vessel ID and hook category explained $49 \%$ of variability in the main effects model, and fishing year was added to derive annual indices. The full model which included the vessel ID*hook category interaction term explained $52 \%$ of the variation in the data. The
fishing year and statistical area terms and their interactions did not enter either model, which suggests that the data are adequately described by a single CPUE series. The standard errors are lower for the main effect model indices, and this model may be more appropriate for further analysis of trends in standardised CPUE.

The categorical vessel and gear variables explain a relatively large amount of the variability in the data, and annual indices are broadly consistent with the trends described for raw CPUE. Although the standardised CPUE series is higher than the raw CPUE prior to 1990-91, the s.e.s are also high, reflecting the low numbers of observations in the database for this period. It is suggested that subsequent modelling be confined to data from the 1991-92 to 1997-98 fishing years.

The main effects model for the CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ ) data explains only $28 \%$ of the variability and the model indices show little contrast between fishing years. The full model however, explains $47 \%$ of the variability in the data, and the first order interactions between vessels, fishing years and gear fished are complex. While fishing method and statistical area did not enter either the main effect or the full model, the CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{hook}$ ) appears to be more sensitive to changes in the amount of gear fished between vessels, months and fishing years than the index of CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ).

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Table 1: Numbers of zero catches of bluenose in the target BNS 2 line fishery, in statistical areas 11 to 16, from 1988-89 to 1997-98

| Fishing year | Number of observations | Statistical area |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 Total |  | Percent |
| 1988-89 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| 1989-90 | 54 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.019 |
| 1990-91 | 293 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.020 |
| 1991-92 | 350 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.006 |
| 1992-93 | 281 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0.018 |
| 1993-94 | 259 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 13 | 0.050 |
| 1994-95 | 287 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 13 | 0.045 |
| 1995-96 | 185 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0.011 |
| 1996-97 | 158 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0.013 |
| 1997-98 | 228 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.009 |

Table 2: BNS 2 target line fishery. Loglinear (LNL) analysis of CPUE (Ln (kg/set+1)) 1988-89 to 1997-98

Values of $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ in bold indicate the variable entered the model
Main effects model

| Iteration |  |  |  | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ at iteration |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Variable | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vessel ID | 0.469 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hook category | 0.262 | 0.488 |  |  |  |  |
| Fishing year | 0.022 | 0.478 | 0.497 |  |  |  |
| Number of sets | 0.130 | 0.470 | 0.490 | 0.498 |  |  |
| Month | 0.017 | 0.475 | 0.495 | 0.497 | 0.505 |  |
| Statistical area | 0.325 | 0.470 | 0.489 | 0.498 | 0.499 |  |
| Year built | 0.288 | 0.469 | 0.488 | 0.496 | 0.498 |  |
| Method | 0.269 | 0.470 | 0.489 | 0.497 | 0.499 |  |
| Length | 0.110 | 0.469 | 0.488 | 0.497 | 0.498 |  |
| Draught | 0.101 | 0.469 | 0.488 | 0.497 | 0.498 |  |
| Breadth | 0.084 | 0.469 | 0.480 | 0.497 | 0.498 |  |
| L*B*D | 0.042 | 0.469 | 0.488 | 0.497 | 0.498 |  |
| Tonnage | 0.041 | 0.469 | 0.488 | 0.497 | 0.498 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \% increase in $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ | 46.90 | 1.90 | 0.90 | 0.1 | 0.78 |  |

Model $\log (\mathrm{Kg} /$ set+1)= Vessel ID, hook category, fishing year
Note: Variable fishing was year forced into the model to derive annual indices.
Sensitivity analysis on the main effects model
$\log ((\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set})+\mathrm{c})$

| Level of c | $\mathrm{R}^{\mathbf{2}}$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| 0.01 | 0.448 |
| 1 | 0.497 |
| 10 | 0.518 |

Table 2: -continued

Full model

| Iteration |  |  | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ at iteration |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Vessel ID | 0.469 |  |  |  |
| Hook category | 0.262 | 0.488 |  |  |
| Vessel ID*hook category |  |  | 0.521 |  |
| Fishing year | 0.022 |  |  | 0.528 |
| Number of sets | 0.130 |  |  | 0.521 |
| Month | 0.017 |  |  | 0.526 |
| Statistical area | 0.325 |  |  | 0.522 |
| \% increase in $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ | 46.90 | 1.90 | 3.30 | 0.70 |

Model $\log (\mathrm{Kg} /$ set +1$)=$ Vessel ID, hook category, vessel ID*hook category, fishing year
Note: Variable fishing was year forced into the model to derive annual indices.
Fishing year indices

| Fishing year | Main effect model <br> indices | s.e. | Full model <br> indices | s.e. |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $1988-89$ | 0.852 | 1.533 | 0.985 | 1.525 |
| $1989-90$ | 0.758 | 1.250 | 0.904 | 1.246 |
| $1990-91$ | 0.799 | 1.150 | 0.863 | 1.159 |
| $1991-92$ | 0.961 | 1.131 | 1.053 | 1.137 |
| $1992-93$ | 1.010 | 1.135 | 1.200 | 1.142 |
| $1993-94$ | 0.907 | 1.139 | 0.959 | 1.145 |
| $1994-95$ | 0.629 | 1.135 | 0.709 | 1.141 |
| $1995-96$ | 0.938 | 1.145 | 1.087 | 1.153 |
| $1996-97$ | 1.195 | 1.145 | 1.314 | 1.155 |
| $1997-98$ | 1.000 |  | 1.000 |  |

Table 3: BNS 2 target line fishery, Loglinear (LNL) analysis of CPUE (Ln (kg/hook+1)) 1988-89 to 1997-98

Values of $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ in bold indicate the variable entered the model

| Main effects model |  |  |  | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ at iteration |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iteration | $\mathbf{0 . 2 0 5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vessel ID | 0.017 | 0.239 |  |  |  |  |
| Hook category | 0.008 | 0.218 | 0.254 |  |  |  |
| Number of sets | 0.011 | 0.220 | 0.251 | 0.266 |  |  |
| Month | 0.025 | 0.215 | 0.249 | 0.264 | 0.277 |  |
| Fishing year | 0.061 | 0.208 | 0.240 | 0.256 | 0.270 | 0.281 |
| Method | 0.121 | 0.207 | 0.240 | 0.255 | 0.268 | 0.278 |
| Statistical area | 0.062 | 0.205 | 0.239 | 0.254 | 0.266 | 0.277 |
| Year built | 0.051 | 0.210 | 0.242 | 0.257 | 0.268 | 0.277 |
| Draught | 0.034 | 0.205 | 0.239 | 0.254 | 0.266 | 0.277 |
| Length | 0.023 | 0.205 | 0.239 | 0.254 | 0.266 | 0.277 |
| L*B*D | 0.022 | 0.205 | 0.239 | 0.254 | 0.266 | 0.277 |
| Breadth | 0.021 | 0.205 | 0.239 | 0.254 | 0.266 | 0.277 |
| Tonnage |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 20.50 | 3.40 | 1.50 | 1.20 | 1.10 | 0.40 |

Model $\operatorname{Ln}(C P U E+1)=$ Vessel ID, hook category, number of sets, month, fishing year

Table 3: - continued

Sensitivity analysis on the main effects model

| $\log ((\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set})+\mathrm{c})$ | Level of c | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 0.01 | 0.278 |
| 1 | 0.277 |  |
| 10 | 0.245 |  |


| Full model Iteration | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ at iteration |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 7 |
| Vessel ID | 0.205 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hook category | 0.017 | 0.239 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vessel ID*hook category |  |  | 0.322 |  |  |  |  |
| Fishing year | 0.025 | 0.215 |  | 0.332 |  |  |  |
| Vessel ID*fishing year |  |  |  |  | 0.439 |  |  |
| Hook category* fishing year |  |  |  |  | 0.358 | 0.468 |  |
| Number of sets | 0.08 | 0.218 |  | 0.331 |  |  | 0.470 |
| Month | 0.011 | 0.220 |  | 0.331 |  |  | 0.468 |
| Method | 0.061 | 0.208 |  | 0.322 |  |  | 0.465 |
| Statistical area | 0.121 | 0.207 |  | 0.324 |  |  | 0.469 |
| \% increase in $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ | 20.50 | 3.40 | 8.30 | 1.00 | 10.70 | 2.50 | 0.20 |

Model $\log (\mathrm{kg} /$ hook +1$)=$ Vessel ID, hook category, vessel ID*hook category,
fishing year, vessel ID*fishing year, hook category*fishing year

## Fishing year indices

| Fishing year | Main effect model <br> indices | s.e. |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $1988-89$ | 0.918 | 1.122 |
| $1989-90$ | 0.897 | 1.061 |
| $1990-91$ | 0.974 | 1.038 |
| $1991-92$ | 1.031 | $1: 034$ |
| $1992-93$ | 1.017 | 1.034 |
| $1993-94$ | 1.026 | 1.035 |
| $1994-95$ | 0.933 | 1.034 |
| $1995-96$ | 0.965 | 1.036 |
| $1996-97$ | 1.072 | 1.038 |
| $1997-98$ | 1.000 |  |



Figure 1: The area covered by the bluenose fishery in QMA 2 showing inshore (011-016) and deepwater (201-205) statistical reporting areas. Major fishing grounds are also shown.


Fishing year

Figure 2: Bluenose target line fishery: Raw CPUE and proportion of zero catch 1988-89 to 1997-98


Figure 3: BNS 2 target line fishery Mean CPUE (kg/set) in statistical areas 11-16,
All line methods, where number of sets $\geq 5$


Fishing year
Figure 4: BNS 2 target line fishery Mean CPUE (kg/hook) in statistical areas 11-16,
All line methods, where number of sets $\geq 5$


Fishing year
Figure 5: Target bluenose line fishery: Standardised CPUE indices ( $\mathbf{k g} / \mathrm{set}$ ) from the LNL main effect model and raw CPUE (t/set) 1988-89 to 1997-98


Fishing year
Figure 6: Target bluenose line fishery: Standardised CPUE indices
(kg/hook) from the LNL main effect model and raw CPUE (kg/hook)
1988-89 to 1997-98

Appendix 1: BNS 2 target line fishery: Total estimated landings and mean CPUE ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{set}$ ) and CPUE (kg/hook) by statistical area, 1988-89 to 1997-98

| Fish ycar | Stat arca | No. records | No. sets | No. hooks | Total estimated BNS (kg) | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mean } \\ \mathrm{Kg} / \mathrm{set} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | s.c. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mcan } \\ \text { Kghook } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | s.e. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1988-89 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1,000 | 581 | 581 |  | 0.58 | 0.07 |
| 1988-89 | 12 | 6 | 6 | 6,(K0) | 2,706 | 451 | 81 | 0.45 | 0.07 |
| 1988-89 | 16 | 3 | 3 | 1,600 | 700 | 186 | 157 | 0.45 | 0.28 |
| 1989-90 | 11 | 16 | 22 | 13,350 | 8,070 | 386 | 80 | 0.66 | 0.16 |
| 1989-90 | 12 | 7 | 7 | 7,200 | 2,609 | 373 | 90 | 0.38 | 0.11 |
| 1989-90 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 550 | 150 | 75 | 5 | 0.29 | 0.06 |
| 1989-90 | 14 | 19 | 19 | 18,000 | 18,574 | 978 | 107 | 1.07 | 0.13 |
| 1989-90 | 16 | 10 | 12 | 6.750 | 2,842 | 278 | 81 | 0.42 | 0.09 |
| 1990)-91 | 11 | 38 | 62 | 29,733 | 29,463 | 517 | 49 | 1.17 | 0.13 |
| 1990-91 | 12 | 45 | 57 | 34,950 | 25,544 | 468 | 63 | 0.76 | 0.12 |
| 1990)-91 | 13 | 88 | 102 | 92,750 | 111,750 | 1,154 | 95 | 1.20 | 0.109 |
| 1990-91 | 14 | 94 | 131 | 120,200 | 129,230 | 1,117 | 75 | 1.09 | 0.07 |
| 1990-91 | 15 | 11 | 17 | 1,380 | 447 | 25 | 4 | 0.32 | 0.06 |
| 1990-91 | 16 | 17 | 20 | 8,000 | 5.222 | 175 | 43 | 1.17 | 0.87 |
| 1990-91 | 201 | 2 | 4 | 1,800 | 2500 | 625 | 75 | 1.39 | 0.17 |
| 1991-92 | 11 | 54 | 73 | 54,600 | 34,735 | 489 | 64 | 0.66 | 0.09 |
| 1991-92 | 12 | 77 | 96 | 66,830 | 40,330 | 460 | 43 | 0.63 | 0.06 |
| 1991-92 | 13 | 91 | 98 | 103,100 | 128,291 | 1,354 | 126 | 1.29 | 0.19 |
| 1991-92 | 14 | 94 | 140 | 104,010 | 144,530 | 1,282 | 93 | 1.47 | 0.08 |
| 1991-92 | 15 | 27 | 75 | 40,000 | 18,086 | 171 | 43 | 0.43 | 0.07 |
| 1991-92 | 16 | 7 | 18 | 12,600 | 5,326 | 266 | 89 | 0.32 | 0.08 |
| 1992-93 | 11 | 33 | 42 | 42,200 | 21,752 | 561 | 97 | 0.54 | 0.08 |
| 1992-93 | 12 | 62 | 68 | 65,100 | 44,800 | 696 | 74 | 0.67 | 0.06 |
| 1992-93 | 13 | 82 | 94 | 145,700 | 131,929 | 1,407 | 127 | 0.93 | 0.07 |
| 1992-93 | 14 | 68 | 92 | 90,800 | 117,252 | 1,352 | 114 | 1.29 | 0.09 |
| 1992-93 | 15 | 32 | 61 | 25,020 | 8.791 | 110 | 25 | 0.24 | 0.04 |
| 1992-93 | 16 | 4 | 23 | 2,850 | 169 | 16 | 9 | 0.05 | 0.03 |
| 1992-93 | 201 | 8 | 8 | 7,020 | 16,450 | 2,056 | 261 | 2.38 | 0.08 |
| 1993-94 | 11 | 21 | 27 | 26,900 | 20,635 | 770 | 148 | 0.87 | 0.20 |
| 1993-94 | 12 | 51 | 62 | 56,844 | 64,662 | 1,185 | 165 | 1 | 0.17 |
| 1993-94 | 13 | 65 | 71 | 117,680 | 97,412 | 1,448 | 153 | 0.89 | 0.09 |
| 1993-94 | 14 | 65 | 118 | 128,910 | 135,850 | 1,511 | 126 | 1.11 | 0.07 |
| 1993-94 | 15 | 29 | 69 | 23,260 | 10,278 | 84 | 24 | 0.28 | 0.07 |
| 1993-94 | 16 | 28 | 73 | 17,100 | 5,398 | 158 | 25 | 0.34 | 0.04 |
| 1994-95 | 11 | 6 | 12 | 7,750 | 5,415 | 383 | 102 | 0.62 | 0.13 |
| 1994-95 | 12 | 67 | 99 | 73,100 | 39,874 | 483 | 87 | 0.88 | 0.30 |
| 1994-95 | 13 | 79 | 84 | 138,425 | 99,592 | 1,244 | 135 | 0.65 | 0.06 |
| 1994-95 | 14 | 65 | 86 | 107,550 | 98,230 | 1,263 | 109 | 0.89 | 0.07 |
| 1994-95 | 15 | 32 | 72 | 34,025 | 14,309 | 258 | 67 | 0.51 | 0.11 |
| 1994-95 | 16 | 38 | 168 | 24,020 | 12,927 | 287 | 85 | 0.47 | 0.09 |
| 1995-96 | 11 | 32 | 45 | 34,480 | 42,278 | 1,224 | 175 | 1.34 | 0.21 |
| 1995-96 | 12 | 62 | 75 | 73,750 | 33,799 | 486 | 56 | 0.48 | 0.05 |
| 1995-96 | 13 | 62 | 70 | 181,860 | 107,996 | 1.727 | 222 | 0.53 | 0.04 |
| 1995-96 | 14 | 11 | 23 | 16,600 | 14,805 | 910 | 186 | 1.50 | 0.71 |
| 1995-96 | 15 | 9 | 16 | 5,450 | 2,065 | 131 | 42 | 0.44 | 0.16 |
| 1995-96 | 16 | 9 | 9 | 5,300 | 3,852 | 428 | 26 | 0.54 | 0.20 |
| 1996-97 | 11 | 28 | 33 | 30,060 | 26,179 | 808 | 171 | 1.03 | 0.22 |
| 1996-97 | 12 | 70 | 87 | 83,095 | 77,171 | 948 | 98 | 1.04 | 0.11 |
| 1996-97 | 13 | 50 | 50 | 159,800) | 96,685 | 1,934 | 173 | 0.73 | 0.09 |
| 1996-97 | 14 | 1 | 2 | 300 | 20 | 10 | 0 | 0.07 | 0.00 |
| 1996-97 | 15 | 2 | 5 | 2,000 | 1,950 | 329 | 304 | 0.68 | 0.58 |
| 1996-97 | 16 | 7 | 16 | 3,250 | 1,300 | 150 | 69 | 0.57 | 0.33 |
| 1997-98 | 11 | 34 | 36 | 33,720 | 27389 | 802.617 | 134 | 0.94 | 0.22 |
| 1997-98 | 12 | 87 | 129 | 101,290 | 85585 | 740.402 | 57 | 0.99 | 0.09 |
| 1997-98 | 13 | 43 | 59 | 74,200 | 37395 | 648.545 | 90 | 0.51 | 0.07 |
| 1997-98 | 14 | 29 | 44 | 51,200 | 45300 | 1233.62 | 115 | 0.84 | 0.08 |
| 1997-98 | 15 | 5 | 19 | 9,500) | 8120 | 412.4 | 55 | 0.82 | 0.11 |
| 1997-98 | 16 | 30 | 234 | 16,050 | 3443 | 18.01 | 5 | 0.22 | 0.04 |


| Fish year | Stat area | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{No.} \\ \text { records } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BLL } \\ & \text { No. } \\ & \text { sets } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { No. } \\ \text { hooks } \end{array}$ | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean } \\ \mathrm{Kg} / \mathrm{set} \end{gathered}$ | s.e. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mean } \\ \text { Kg/hook } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | s.e. | DL <br> No. <br> sets | $\begin{array}{r} \text { No. } \\ \text { hooks } \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mean } \\ & \text { Kg/set } \end{aligned}$ | s.e. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mean } \\ \text { Kg/hook } \end{array}$ | s.e. | TL No. sets | No. hooks | Total est. NS (kg) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean } \\ \mathrm{Kg} / \mathrm{set} \end{gathered}$ | s.e. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mean } \\ \mathrm{Kg} / \text { hook } \end{array}$ | s.e. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1988-89 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1,000 | 581 | 581 |  | 0.58 | 0.07 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988-89 | 12 | 6 | 6 | 6,000 | 2,706 | 451 | 81 | 0.45 | 0.07 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988-89 | 16 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 1,600 | 700 | 186 | 157 | 0.45 | 0.28 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989-90 | 11 | 16 | 22 | 13,350 | 8,070 | 386 | 80 | 0.66 | 0.16 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989-90 | 12 | 7 | 7 | 7,200 | 2,609 | 373 | 90 | 0.38 | 0.11 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989-90 | 13 | 2 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 550 | 150 | 75 | 5 | 0.29 | 0.06 |
| 1989-90 | 14 | 19 | 19 | 18,000 | 18,574 | 978 | 32 | 1.07 | 0.13 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989-90 | 16 | 10 | 3 | 1,000 | 100 | 33 |  | 0.10 |  | 9 | 5,750 | 2,742 | 305 | 85 | 0.46 | 0.09 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990-91 | 11 | 38 | 62 | 29,733 | 29,463 | 517 | 49 | 1 | 0.13 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990-91 | 12 | 45 | 57 | 34,950 | 25,544 | 468 | 63 | 1 | 0.12 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990-91 | 13 | 88 | 98 | 90,750 | 110,750 | 1,165 | 96 | 1.21 | 0.09 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 2,000 | 1,000 | 250 |  | 0.50 |  |
| 1990-91 | 14 | 94 | 130 | 119,400 | 128,230 | 1,118 | 76 | 1.09 | 0.07 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 800 | 1,000 | 1,000 |  | 1.25 |  |
| 1990-91 | 15 | 11 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 | 1,380 | 447 | 25 | 4 | 0.32 | 0.06 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990-91 | 16 | 17 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 16 | 7,800 | 2,222 | 139 | 26 | 0.30 | 0.07 | 4 | 200 | 3,000 | 750 |  | 15.00 |  |
| 1990-91 | 201 | 2 | 4 | 1,800 | 2500 | 625 | 75 | 1.39 | 0.17 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991-92 | 11 | 54 | 73 | 54,600 | 34,735 | 489 | 64 | 0.66 | 0.09 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991-92 | 12 | 77 | 96 | 66,830 | 40,330 | 460 | 43 | 0.63 | 0.06 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991-92 | 13 | 91 | 98 | 103,110 | 128,291 | 1,354 | 126 | 1.29 | 0.19 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991-92 | 14 | 94 | 140 | 104,010 | 144,530 | 1,282 | 93 | 1.47 | 0.08 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991-92 | 15 | 27 | 57 | 36,500 | 14,470 | 244 | 60 | 0.36 | 0.07 | 17 | 1,500 | 616 | 37 | 7 | 0.42 | 0.08 | 1 | 2,000 | 3,000 | 750 |  | 1.50 |  |
| 1991-92 | 16 | 7 | 15 | 10,000 | 4,605 | 284 | 158 | 0.37 | 0.14 | 3 | 2,600 | 721 | 240 | 70 | 0.26 | 0.05 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992-93 | 11 | 33 | 42 | 42,200 | 21,752 | 561 | 97 | 0.54 | 0.08 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992-93 | 12 | 62 | 64 | 64,950 | 44,680 | 707 | 74 | 0.67 | 0.06 | 4 | 150 | 120 | 30 | 0 | 0.80 | 0.00 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992-93 | 13 | 82 | 94 | 145,700 | 131,928 | 1,407 | 127 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992-93 | 14 | 68 | 90 | 89,800 | 116,945 | 1,370 | 114 | 1.30 | 0.09 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 1,000 | 307 | 154 | 0 | 0.31 | 0.00 |
| 1992-93 | 15 | 32 | 36 | 21,340 | 8,210 | 632 | 142 | 0.37 | 0.06 | 25 | 3,680 | 581 | 26 | 6 | 0.16 | 0.03 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992-93 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 2,000 | 130 | 33 | 0 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 19 | 850 | 39 | 10 | 10 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992-93 | 201 | 8 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 | 7,020 | 16,450 | 2,056 | 261 | 2.38 | 0.08 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix 2: BNS 2 target line fishery: Total estimated landings, CPUE (kg/set) and CPUE (kg/hook) by fishing method


| Fish year | Stat area | $\begin{array}{r} \text { No. } \\ \text { records } \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { BLL } \\ \text { No. } \\ \text { sets } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { No. } \\ \text { hooks } \end{gathered}$ | Total est. BNS $(\mathrm{kg})$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean } \\ \mathrm{Kg} / \text { set } \end{gathered}$ | s.e. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mean } \\ \text { Kg/hook } \end{array}$ | s.e. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1993-94 | 11 | 21 | 27 | 26,900 | 20,635 | 770 | 148 | 0.87 | 0.20 |
| 1993-94 | 12 | 51 | 62 | 56,844 | 64,662 | 1,185 | 165 | 1 | 0.17 |
| 1993-94 | 13 | 65 | 63 | 116,000 | 92,812 | 1,505 | 161 | 0.76 | 0.07 |
| 1993-94 | 14 | 65 | 118 | 128,910 | 135,850 | 1,511 | 126 | 1.11 | 0.07 |
| 1993-94 | 15 | 29 | 36 | 18,400 | 9,713 | 237 | 47 | 0.64 | 0.15 |
| 1993-94 | 16 | 28 | 3 | 2,200 | 230 | 90 | 40 | 0.35 | 0.30 |
| 1994-95 | 11 | 6 | 11 | 7,550 | 5,265 | 429 | 111 | 0.60 | 0.16 |
| 1994-95 | 12 | 67 | 99 | 73,100 | 39,874 | 483 | 87 | 0.88 | 0.30 |
| 1994-95 | 13 | 79 | 83 | 138,050 | 99,492 | 1,259 | 136 | 0.65 | 0.06 |
| 1994-95 | 14 | 65 | 86 | 107,550 | 98,230 | 1,263 | 109 | 0.89 | 0.07 |
| 1994-95 | 15 | 32 | 33 | 28,000 | 8,080 | 251 | 49 | 0.38 | 0.10 |
| 1994-95 | 16 | 38 | 8 | 6,900 | 2,700 | 338 | 206 | 0.27 | 0.10 |
| 1995-96 | 11 | 32 | 33 | 33,480 | 41,278 | 1,261 | 177 | 1.35 | 0.21 |
| 1995-96 | 12 | 62 | 75 | 73,750 | 33,799 | 486 | 56 | 0.48 | 0.05 |
| 1995-96 | 13 | 62 | 70 | 181,860 | 107,996 | 1,727 | 222 | 0.53 | 0.04 |
| 1995-96 | 14 | 11 | 23 | 16,600 | 14,805 | 910 | 186 | 1.50 | 0.71 |
| 1995-96 | 15 | 9 | 12 | 5,000 | 1,740 | 171 | 47 | 0.41 | 0.12 |
| 1995-96 | 16 | 9 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996-97 | 11 | 28 | 33 | 30,060 | 26,179 | 808 | 171 | 1.03 | 0.22 |
| 1996-97 | 12 | 70 | 87 | 83,095 | 77,171 | 948 | 98 | 1.04 | 0.11 |
| 1996-97 | 13 | 50 | 50 | 159,800 | 96,685 | 1,934 | 173 | 0.73 | 0.09 |
| 1996-97 | 14 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996-97 | 15 | 2 | 5 | 2,000 | 1,950 | 329 | 304 | 0.68 | 0.58 |
| 1996-97 | 16 | 7 | 1 | 350 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 1996-97 | Other | 1 | 9 | 11,700 | 6,487 | 721 | 320 | 0 | 0.05 |
| 1997-98 | 11 | 34 | 36 | 33,720 | 27369 | 802.617 | 134 | 0.94 | 0.22 |
| 1997-98 | 12 | 87 | 129 | 101,290 | 85585 | 740.402 | 57 | 0.99 | 0.09 |
| 1997-98 | 13 | 43 | 59 | 74,200 | 37395 | 648.545 | 90 | 0.51 | 0.07 |
| 1997-98 | 14 | 29 | 44 | 51,200 | 45300 | 1233.62 | 115 | 0.92 | 0.07 |
| 1997-98 | 15 | 5 | 19 | 9,500 | 8120 | 412.4 | 55 | 0.82 | 0.11 |
| 1997-98 | 16 | 30 | 1 | 600 | 150 | 150 | 0 | 0.25 | 0.00 |
| 1997-98 | Other | 15 | 15 | 65,000 | 42992 | 2866.13 | 361 | 0.65 | 0.06 |



Appendix 2:-continued


