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Abstract

Oceanographic observations from 42 surveys during 1977-1985 on the Northeast Continental Shelf are reported. Surface and bottom distributions and cross-shelf vertical distributions of both temperature and salinity are presented in the form of contour maps. Average values for specific regions of the shelf and layers of the water column are presented in the form of time series plots.

Introduction

In an attempt to monitor the seasonal and inter-annual variability of the physical environment on the Northeast Continental Shelf, the National Marine Fisheries Service occupied 184 standard stations from Cape Hatteras, North Carolina to Cape Sable, Nova Scotia as part of the Marine Resources Monitoring, Assessment, and Prediction (MAR-MAP) program (Sherman 1980).

Observations from July 1977 to December 1985, a total of 42 surveys, are reported graphically (see Table 1). Although portions of these data have been portrayed elsewhere (Patanjo 1980; Nickerson and Mountain 1983), they are included in this volume in order to make it a complete report. Observations from 1986 and 1987, the final two years of MARMAP cruises, are reported elsewhere in Manning and Lierheimer (1988) and Holzwarth and Manning (1989), respectively. Intrepretations and analyses of MARMAP data are given in Mountain and Jessen (1987) and Manning (unpublished).

The data portrayals are organized sequentially by cruise in atlas form. No attempt is made to analyze the data or even to discuss individual observations. Except for the case of surface and bottom temperature anomaly plots, actual observations (*i.e.* the raw data) are input to the contouring software.

Methods

Niskin bottles made of PVC with reversible thermometers were used to sample temperature and salinity at standard water depths (1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 50, 75, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300 m) for each station occupied. Surface temperatures were checked with a concurrent bucket sample. Bottom observations were taken from the deepest bottle within 10 m of the bottom to a maximum of 300 m, except in water less than 75 m. There, a special bottom-tripped bottle was used to obtain a salinity sample from within 1 m of the bottom. Salinity samples were analyzed with a Guildline Autosal salinometer. Details of the procedures at sea may be found in Kirschner (1980) and Patanjo, Nickerson, and Steimle (1982).

Several other parameters such as nutrients, ichthyoplankton, zooplankton, oxygen, and chlorophyll were measured concurrently with the hydrographic work (see Sibunka and Silverman 1984; Morse, Fahay, and Smith 1987; Zetlin and O'Reilly, unpublished; Waldhauer, unpublished). Occasionally, in order to investigate a particular feature, extra stations were occupied in addition to the standard set. These extra stations, typically less than 10 per cruise, are indicated on the individual station plots by numbers greater than 199.

A set of cross-shelf transects, labeled A through G in Figure 2, are part of the standard grid. Each transect consists of closely spaced stations designed to sample the structure of the Shelf Water synoptically (one to three days per transect). The typical distance between these stations was 20 km. The seaward limit of the transects was typically near the shelf break, often far enough seaward to capture the features of the shelf/slope water interface.

Temperature anomalies were calculated

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Table 1. MARMAP	transect coverage,	1977-1985.
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AR7701	15 OCT-11 NOV	_	_	*	+	•	*		
MT7711	12-19 NOV		۰.					_	
KE7711	25 NOV-4 DEC			-					
DE7802	14 FEB-13 MAR				•				
AR7804	13 APR-24 MAY	•	_		٠		*		
AL7807	22 IUN-1 IUL		·		~-		*		
BE7801	9 AUG-5 SEP				·		*-		
BE7803	5 OCT-2 NOV								
BE7804	15-30 NOV		• •		•	*			
DE7903	23 FEB-15 MAR		*	*		*			
DE7905	4-29 MAY	-				_	-		
AL7906	12 IUN-14 IUL	-				-	-		
BE7901	9 AUG-3 SEP	_	-	-	-				
AL 7911	1-29 OCT		-	-	-				
AL7913	14 NOV-21 DEC				-		. 		
W18002	18 FEB-11 MAR				+	_	*		
AT 8002	27 FEB- 5 APR		· _	*			-		
FV8001	14 APR-15 MAY	_	-		-	-			
DE8003	21 MAY 13 IUN		_		-	_			
FV8004	24 IUN 30 IUN								•
EV8004	18 II II _ 11 AUG	_	*	_	_		\$		
AT 8010	24 SEP-30 OCT			_	-	_		_	
AL8012	17 NOV-23 DEC		_		-				
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AL8101	17 FEB-26 MAR		* .	-				-	
KE8103	18 MAR- 9 APR	٠			. •	•	· _	+	
DE8103	20 MAY-18 JUN		. '-	-	•			.*	
AL8114	16 NOV-22 DEC				-			-	
AL8202	16 FEB-25 MAR	, <u> </u>					-		
DE8203	17 MAY-22 IUN		•	٠	_		_	*	
DE8209	15 NOV-22 DEC		-	. *	٠		-	•.	
DE8301	24 JAN-11 FEB	•	•			+	*		
AT.8304	23 MAY-22 ILIN	_			·				
DE8309	14 NOV-21 DEC	-	-		 ,			·	
DEB401	QIANLIO EER			_				_	
DE0401	7 JAN-10 FED		-	-			-	-	
AL6403 DF8409	29 NOV- 7 DEC	-		-	*	*	*	. —	
			-						
DE8501	7 JAN- 8 FEB							•	
DE8503	1 APR- 2 MAY	-		-	-	-	-	•	
AL8504	8 MAY- 6 JUN		-		*	*		*	
DE8507	26 AUG-22 SEP				-		-	*	
DE8510	5 NOV-12 DEC				_	-	-		1.1

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- = complete transects
* = incomplete transects, at least one standard station missing

for the surface and bottom temperature observations at each standard MARMAP station on all of the surveys. An anomaly is the difference between the observed temperature and the expected temperature at the station for the day of the year the observation was made. The expected temperature was determined from a mean annual temperature curve derived from all of the MARMAP observations at the standard station (see Mountain and Holzwarth, in press). The anomaly value was normalized by dividing it by the standard deviation associated with the fitting of the annual curve. This normalized anomaly indicates the significance of the temperature anomaly, i.e., the number of standard deviations from the mean or expected value.

Data Portrayals

A series of figures which portray some of the more significant features of the physical oceanographic structure are appended. For each cruise, a station plot is followed by computer-generated contour plots of the temperature and salinity distribution for both the surface and the bottom. In the case of temperature, where the seasonal cycle is well defined (Mountain and Holzwarth, in press), standardized anomalies are contoured as well. Anomalies greater than two standard deviations from the mean are hachured. Horizontal and vertical hachuring represent cold and warm anomalies, respectively.

The contour plots were generated using the Interactive Concepts Incorporated Surface3 software package on a VAX 11/785 computer. Since the contouring is done by computer, there are inevitable inadequacies in the output. There may be, therefore, undetectable interpolation/extrapolation errors, especially near the survey boundaries. Hence, one should treat the contoured data as computerized estimates rather than actual observations.

Cross-shelf profiles of both temperature and salinity are included for all transects (A- G) whenever at least four stations were occupied. On some cruises, the transects were extended either onshore or offshore by a few extra stations; but, in order to be consistent and retain a synoptic (less than a few days) representation of the cross-shelf structure, only the standard stations were included in the cross-sectional contour plots. No more than seven stations were included in any contoured section. Axis labels, meters in the vertical and kilometers in the horizontal, were omitted to maximize plotting space on the page.

Finally, after data from each cruise are presented, a set of time- series plots are used to display average temperature and salinity for different layers of the water column and regions of the shelf. Various regions of the shelf are shown in Figure 3. In order to focus on shelf water and to eliminate the overwhelming influence of small slope water intrusions onto the shelf area, water greater than 34 PSU was omitted from these calculations. Each cruise, represented by a single point, is coded by year and plotted on a yearday axis (Figures 250-261). The seasonal cycle is represented by the solid lines along with its associated standard deviation (dashed lines). As explained in Mountain and Holzwarth (in press), this is a multiple linear regression of one, two, and three cycles per year. In their report, the regression is conducted on the surface and bottom values of each MARMAP station but, here, it is presented for large regions of the shelf and layers of the water column. In this way, one may distinguish both seasonal and inter-annual variability of broad scale features.

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Figure 2. Standard MARMAP stations.





Figure 3. Five regions on the Northeast Continental Shelf: Eastern Gulf of Maine (EGM), Western Gulf of Maine (WGM), Georges Bank (GB), Northern Middle Atlantic Bight (MABN) and Southern Middle Atlantic Bight (MABS).



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Figure 18b. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: MTM7711. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 21a. Salinity (PSU) transects: KEL7711.



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Figure 22. Station positions: DEL7802.





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Figure 24. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL7802. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.





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Figure 33. Salinity (PSU) transects: ARG7804.



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Figure 42. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: BEL7801. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 44. Temperature (°C) transects: BEL7801.





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Figure 49. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: BEL7803.



Figure 50. Temperature (°C) transects: BEL7803.



Figure 51. Salinity (PSU) transects: BEL7803.



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Figure 52. Station positions: BEL7804.

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Figure 54. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: BEL7804. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



Figure 55. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: BEL7804.





Figure 56. Temperature (°C) transects: BEL7804.



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Figure 59. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL7903.



Figure 60. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL7903. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 62. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL7903.

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Figure 67. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: DEL7905.

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Figure 78. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: BEL7901. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal the lite year mean.



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Figure 86. Temperature (°C) transects: ALB7911.





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Figure 90. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB7913. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



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Figure 91. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB7913.



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Figure 95. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: WIE8002.



Figure 96. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: WIE8002. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachared areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the tage of the mean.

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Figure 103. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8002.





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Figure 105. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8002.

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Figure 108. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: EVR8001. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11year mean.

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Figure 121. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: EVR8004.


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Figure 122. Temperature (°C) transects: EVR8004.





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Figure 131. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: ALB8010.



Figure 132. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB8010. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 133. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8010.





Figure 134. Temperature (°C) transects: ALB8010.



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Figure 136. Station positions: ALB8012.







Figure 138. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB8012. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the Use year mean.

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Figure 141. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8012.





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Figure 143. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: ALB8101.



Figure 144. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB8101. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 145. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8101.





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Figure 147. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8101.



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Figure 149. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: KEL8103.

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Figure 153. Salinity (PSU) transects: KEL8103.

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Figure 155. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8103.

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Figure 156. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8103. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.











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Figure 162. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB8114. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the li-year mean.









Figure 164. Temperature (°C) transects: ALB8114.





Figure 165. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8114.





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Figure 169. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8202.

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Figure 172. Station positions: DEL8203.







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Figure 177. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8203.



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Figure 179. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8209.

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Figure 182. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL8209.



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Figure 183. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8209.

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Figure 184. Station positions: DEL8301.



Figure 185. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8301.



Figure 186. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8301.Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



Figure 187. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: DEL8301.





Figure 188. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL8301.



Figure 189. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8301.



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Figure 191. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: ALB8304.



Figure 192. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB8304.Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



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Figure 193. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8304.





Figure 194. Temperature (°C) transects: ALB8304.



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Figure 195. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8304.





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Figure 196. Station positions: DEL8309.


Figure 197. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8309.



Figure 198. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8309.Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 204. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8401.Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



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Figure 211. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8403.



Figure 212. Temperature (°C) transects: ALB8403.

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Figure 213. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8403.





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Figure 214. Station positions: DEL8409.



Figure 215. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8409.

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Figure 216. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8409. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.













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Figure 222. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8501. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 223. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: DEL8501.

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Figure 224. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL8501.



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Figure 225. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8501.





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Figure 226. Station positions: ALB8504.







Figure 228. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8503. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 230. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL8503.



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Figure 231. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8503.

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Figure 232. Station positions: ALB8504.

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Figure 233. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: ALB8504.



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Figure 234. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: ALB8504. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.

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Figure 235. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: ALB8504.





Figure 236. Temperature (°C) transects: ALB8504.

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Figure 237. Salinity (PSU) transects: ALB8504.



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Figure 238. Station positions: DEL8507.



Figure 239. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8507.



Figure 240. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8507. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



Figure 241. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: DEL8507.

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Figure 242. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL8507.



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Figure 243. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8507.



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Figure 244. Station positions: DEL8510.



Figure 245. Surface and bottom temperature (°C) distribution: DEL8510.

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Figure 246. Normalized surface and bottom temperature anomaly: DEL8510. Contours are multiples of the standard deviation for the mean annual temperature curves. Hachured areas are more than two standard deviations above (vertical) or below (horizontal) the 11-year mean.



Figure 247. Surface and bottom salinity (PSU) distribution: DEL8510.





Figure 248. Temperature (°C) transects: DEL8510.

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Figure 249. Salinity (PSU) transects: DEL8510.



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Figure 250. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the surface layer (0-50 m) in the western sector of the Gulf of Maine (1977-1987). The bold and dashed lines in the lower panel represent the mean and standard deviation of temperature as obtained by Mountain and Holzwarth (in press).



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Figure 251. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the subsurface layer (50-100 m) in the western sector of the Gulf of Maine.



Figure 252. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the bottom layer (>100 m) in the western sector of the Gulf of Maine.



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Figure 253. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the surface layer (0-50 m) in the eastern sector of the Gulf of Maine (1977-1987).







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Figure 255. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the bottom layer (>100 m) in the western sector of the Gulf of Maine.



Figure 256. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the surface layer (0-30 m) on Georges Bank (1977-1987).





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Figure 258. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the surface layer (0-30 m) in the northern sector of the Middle Atlantic Bight.



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Figure 259. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the subsurface layer (30-100 m) in the northern sector of the Middle Atlantic Bight.

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Figure 260. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the surface layer (0-30 m) in the southern sector of the Middle Atlantic Bight.





Figure 261. Mean values of temperature and salinity for the subsurface layer (30-100 m) in the southern sector of the Middle Atlantic Bight.