

A CHECKLIST OF SOME FISHES TAKEN WITH NEUSTON AND BONGO NETS IN THE VICINITY OF DEEPWATER DUMPSITE 106

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ABSTRACT

Fishes of more than 125 taxa were collected in neuston and bongo net tows from in and near Deepwater Dumpsite 106 during four seasonal cruises in 1978, and in bongo net tows taken 11 km north of the dumpsite during MARMAP I ichthyoplankton surveys from 1974 to 1976. Although myctophid fishes predominated, young stages of shelf-dwelling taxa occurred in the vicinity of the dumpsite on all cruises, indicating that transport off the shelf occurs throughout the year. Young stages of taxa from more southern latitudes were also common in the catches.

INTRODUCTION

This report is based on a series of site-specific studies to monitor the effects of ocean dumping at Deepwater Dumpsite 106, an area off the heavily industrialized northeast coast of the United States that was designated as a disposal site for industrial wastes by the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (Public Law 92-532). Deepwater Dumpsite 106 (DWD 106) is 170 km southeast of Ambrose Light and about 105 km east of Cape Henlopen, Delaware at 38°40'N to 39°00'N and 72°00'W to 72°30'W (Figure 1). Its center is about 170 km from the mean position of the Gulf Stream north wall and about 48 km from the edge of the shelf. Its area is 1295 km² and depth varies between 1300 and 2700 m although most of the site is over depths greater than 2000 m (Musick, 1975). Within the confines of DWD 106 is a smaller site that has been used for over 10 years as a dump for industrial waste (Pearce et al., 1975, 1977; Musick, 1975). Navigational charts also designated it as an explosives dump. South of the dumpsite and centered on coordinates 38°30'N and 72°06'W is a site of about 250 km² that has been used for the disposal of radioactive material (Dyer, 1975). Although there have been dumps of sewage sludge at DWD 106, most of the waste is of industiral origin. Bisagni et al. (1977) gave an account of the kinds, amounts, and origins of wastes dumped at the site in 1974 and 1975. More general information about DWD 106 can also be found in a recent Department of Commerce report (Anonymous, 1980).

Biological studies of waters in the vicinity of DWD 106 date back to the early work of Agassiz (1888), but there is still a paucity of information on the ichthyoplankton of the region. Musick (1975) reviewed historical biological studies and Warsh (1975) gave a general account of historical oceanographic information. It was not until the early 1970's that a specific program for a study of the dumpsite region was established. The initial work included a baseline report on ichthyoplankton taken at the dumpsite in May 1974 (Austin, 1975). In the ensuing years site characterization studies included ichthyoplankton collected on summer and winter cruises in 1972 (Sherman et al., 1977), and a brief account of neuston collections taken on a late summer cruise in 1976 (Haedrich, 1977).

This report expands the ichthyoplankton and neuston data bases for the DWD 106 region. These collections were made to provide specimens for testing the pathological and chemical effects of dumping on the biota

of the dumpsite. Since some of the analyses consumed the specimens, not all of the fishes collected are included in this report. Although this report does not provide a complete qualitative or quantitative register of all of the fishes from the four 1978 cruises, to my knowledge it is the first attempt to give a general characterization of the larval and juvenile fish community at the site for four consecutive seasons.

Funds were provided by Ocean Dumping Program (C3x4), NOS, NOAA (NOAA Task Number 871213) in support of NEFC's Ocean Pulse Program. Additional collections from 11 km north of the dumpsite between 1974 and 1976 were taken during MARMAP (Marine Resources Monitoring Assessment and Prediction) surveys which provide the principal source of information on the changing status of the nation's fishery resources.

SAMPLING STRATEGY

Dates of the four cruises in 1978 were set to take in account any seasonal differences in biota or oceanographic conditions in the analyses of the effects of dumping at DWD 106. The cruises were five to eight days long (Table 1). Figures 2-5 show the positions of net tows from which material was available for this report.

The general study pattern for each of the four cruises was similar. The major event was a prearranged dump of a bargeload of industrial waste. Before the dump, water samples and biological samples were taken for comparison with those taken during the experiment and to assure that the equipment was working properly. Some of these predump stations were outside the dumpsite beyond at least the immediate influence of dumpsite contaminants, but where other conditions were similar to those within the dumpsite. Other predump stations were in the dumpsite in the immediate vicinity of the impending dump, since this was the milieu for the experiment.

Dumps were arranged to be early in the day to take advantage of as much daylight as possible while tracking the disposal of the waste. Several devices were used to track and sample the waste plume as it dispersed. These included special acoustical equipment to provide information about the vertical dispersal, drogues with radar reflectors and lights, STD's, and a pump that could provide water samples from several depths simultaneously. Water samples were taken before and after the dump for later chemical analyses and comparison with data collected during the experiment.

Since collection of biological baseline information had been a major objective of past DWD 106 cruises, the major objective of the biological sampling in 1978 was to provide organisms for a variety of analyses, including chemical and pathological analyses of their tissues. A particular effort was made to collect fish eggs to determine the effects of wastes on their chromosomes. Such analyses require organisms of quite large size and/or in quite large numbers if the analyses are to provide reliable information. Given this objective and the labor intensive nature of the cruises, especially during

the hours immediately after a dump, it was found that the best collecting device available to use was the 0.5 x 1-meter neuston net. It collected large organisms as well as fish eggs and larvae, and did not require one of the winches to set the retrieve. Occasionally the bongo nets were towed for subsurface samples, usually in attempts to determine whether acoustic signals were coming from sunken waste or whether they had a biological origin.

Predictably, daylight catches in the neuston net were small, except when sargassum weed and its associated fauna was present, so most of the biological sampling was at night. Once the experiment began, the location of sampling was dictated by the location of the vessel as it tracked the waste plume.

Planktonic fish eggs and larvae drift in the sea with prevailing circulation patterns. The trajectories of water parcels as they move over the shelf and slope should be considered when analyzing the effects of ocean dumping.

To enlarge the checklist of ichthyoplankton that might occur in the vicinity of the dumpsite, additional material from 60 cm bongo net tows taken near DWD 106 on MARMAP surveys from 1974 to 1976 is included. All of it is from a station 11.2 km north of the dumpsite at 39°07'N and 72°11'W, or within the 1978 sampling area. Although no attempt is made in this paper to link ichthyoplankton and neuston to hydrography, circulation or contaminant loading, the additional time series of information might prove helpful in formulating future studies or making inferences on the impact of dumping.

METHODS

Two kinds of nets were used to collect the material. The neuston net is a 0.5×1 -meter rectangular frame with a 0.505-mm mesh net. Ideally this net is towed half submerged at speeds of 1.5×3 knots. Usually we collected neuston samples throughout the night. While picking through a sample and removing and preserving organisms according to the requirements of the different investigations, the net was reset. Tow durations for the neuston net were 6 to 70 minutes. The bongo nets consist of two 61-cm diameter frames joined and towed side-by-side at about 1.5×2.5 knots (see Posgay and Marak, 1980). One frame is fitted with a 0.505-mm mesh net; the other with a 0.333-mm mesh net.

The bongo net tows were of two kinds. The kind used to collect the material on the 1978 cruises was a subsurface horizontal tow. The nets were lowered to the desired depth and towed for varying periods from 6 to 58 minutes. All of the supplemental material was collected by double-oblique bongo net tows. While the vessel proceeded at about 1.5 knots, the nets were lowered to about 200 m and immediately retrieved. The towing cable was let out at 50 m a minute and taken in at 20 m a minute. Such tows usually took between 15 and 25 minutes. For the supplemental collections, the nets were fitted with flow meters. This made it possible to calculate the amount of water strained and, in turn, to calculate the numbers of each organism caught under 102 m of surface. Although the 1978 material was taken from both the 0.505-mm and 0.333-mm bongo nets, the supplemental material was all from the 0.505-mm bongo nets.

Fishes are listed in Tables 6 and 7 according to the classification of Greenwood et al. (1966), except that it follows Weitzman (1974) for the gonostomatid, sternoptychid, and related fishes. The nomenclature takes into account name changes as compiled by Robins et al. (1980) and the amended spelling of family names suggested by Steyskal (1980).

Specimens are listed in the tables as larvae (L), juveniles (J), or adults (A). For most specimens the status was obvious, but for some their assignment to one of these categories was somewhat subjective, especially the distinction between juvenile and adult. For the myctophid fishes, this information is from Gibbs et al. (1971) and Nafpaktitis et al. (1977).

Lengths are in millimeters and were measured from the tip of the snout to the tip of the notochord on young specimens. On specimens with the caudal structure developed, length was measured from the tip of the snout to the posterior edge of the hypural elements. The lengths of the supplemental material were recorded as falling within a range of one millimeter, e.g. 3.0-3.9 or 11.0-11.9. These lengths are listed in the tables to the half millimeter, e.g. 3.5 or 11.5.

Identifications relied on standard works. These include Anderson et al. (1966), Aprieto (1974), Berry (1959), Berry and Vogele (1961), Bigelow and Schroeder (1953), Böhlke and Chapman (1968), Caldwell (1962), Cohen and Nielsen (1978), Fahay (1975), Fahay and Obenchain (1978), Gibbs (1964), Grey (1964), Gutherz (1970), Jordan and Evermann (1896-1900), Kendall (1972, 1979), Leiby (1981), Leim and Scott (1966), Moore (1967), Nafpaktitis et al. (1977), Rofen (1966), Russell (1976), and Smith (1979).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

About 125 taxa are represented in bongo and neuston catches from the seasonal dumpsite cruises (Table 6) and in the supplemental material (Table 8). Catches from each of the seasonal cruises are listed in Tables 2 through 5 and catches for each of the cruises on which the supplemental material was collected are listed in Table 7. If consideration is given to differences in the gear used to collect the material, the fishes in the 1978 and supplemental material are similar to those listed in other reports, e.g. Anonymous (1977b), Austin (1975), Haedrich (1977), Krueger et al. (1975), Krueger et al. (1977), and Sherman et al. (1977).

In Tables 6 and 8, those taxa with a single checkmark (\checkmark) , 27 taxa, are the young stages of shelf fishes (e.g. <u>Urophycis</u> spp., <u>Ammodytes</u> sp., and <u>Lophius</u> <u>americanus</u>) and those taxa with two checkmarks (\checkmark) , 15 taxa, are the young stages of taxa commonly found at latitudes south of the dumpsite (e.g. <u>Abudefduf saxatilis</u> and scarid fishes). Taxa with no checkmark, 83 taxa, spend their lives or the early stages of their lives beyond the shelf edge (e.g. myctophid fishes and paralepidid fishes).

The family Myctophidae is abundant and important in offshore waters (Moser and Ahlstrom, 1970) and represents an important part of the material available from DWD 106 as well. More than a third of the 1533 specimens are myctophid fishes. At least 25 species are represented and the species represent six of the nine zoogeographic distribution patterns described by Backus et al. (1977).

The occurrence of taxa from three marine ecosystems (i.e. shelf, slope, and southern) and the variety of myctophid fishes found at the dumpsite reflect the complex oceanographic conditions at the site. These conditions were described by Goulet and Hausknecht (1977), Ingham et al. (1977), and Warsh (1975). Perhaps the most dramatic oceanographic phenomena are the occasional seaward excursions of the shelf-slope front (Ingham et al., 1977) and the irregular but frequent passage of anticyclonic warm-core Gulf Stream eddies through the dumpsite area (Bisagni, 1976). The former event could account for the occurrence of larvae of shelf species at the dumpsite while the latter could provide the means for transporting southern taxa into the area. Celone and Chamberlin (1980) gave an account of 11 such eddies off the southern New England and Middle Atlantic coasts in 1978. According to their data, eddies were close to or in the dumpsite during the fall and winter cruises of 1978. Oceanographic data collected during these cruises tend to confirm their presence in and around the dumpsite (Bisagni, pers. comm.).

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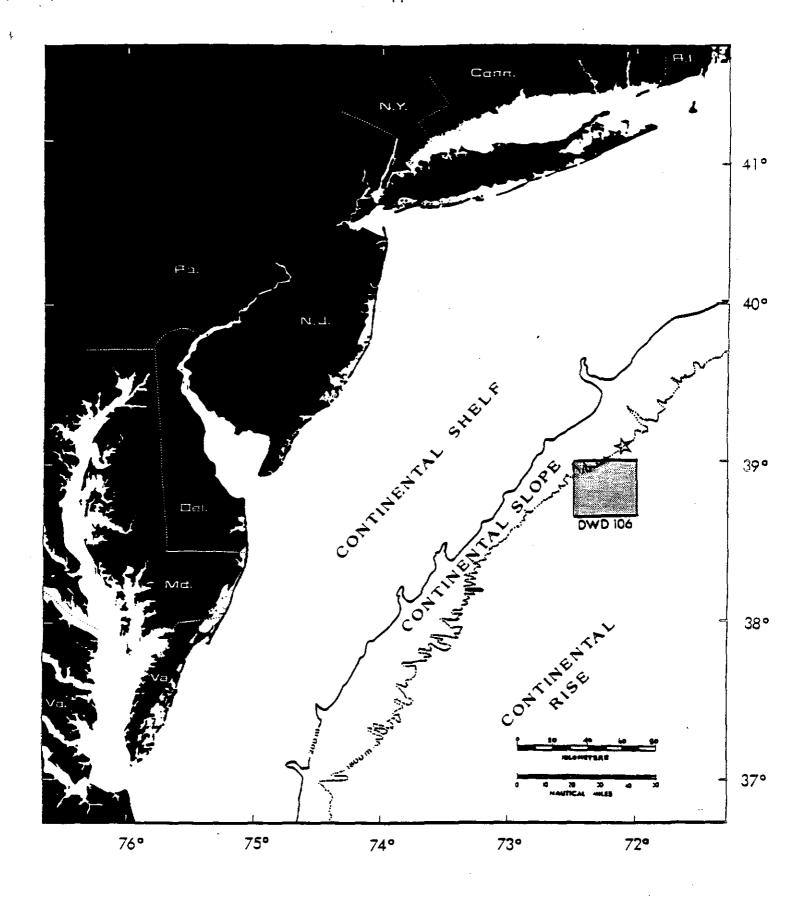


Figure 1. Location of Deepwater Dumpsite 106 in relation to the coast and ocean bottom features. The star indicates the location of the station where the ichthyoplankton and neuston samples were taken from 1974 to 1976 (after Pearce et al., 1977).

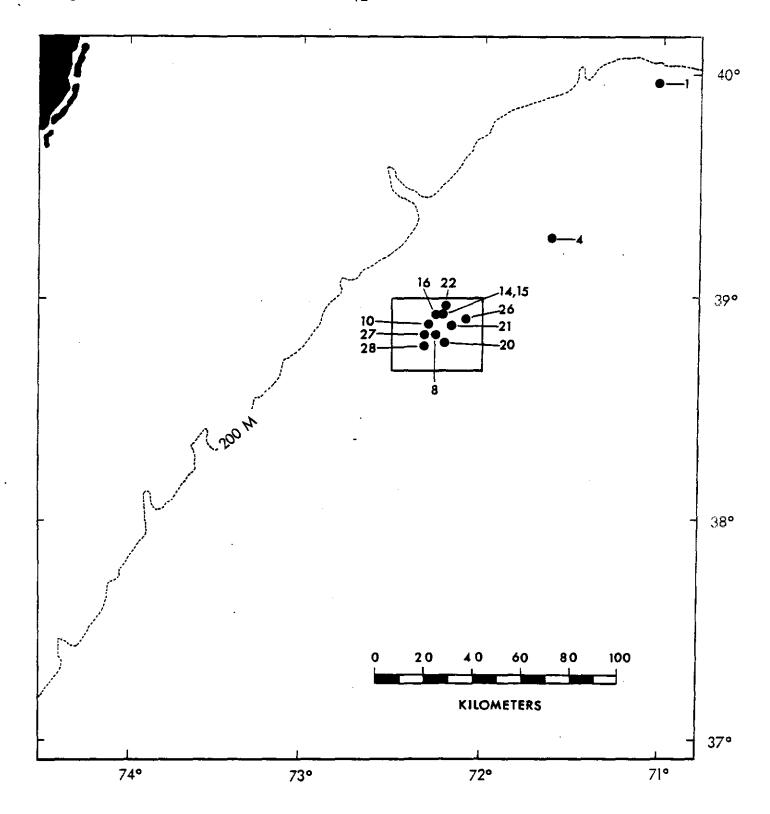


Figure 2. Location of stations from which fishes where available from the Deepwater Dumpsite 106 cruise of January-February 1978.

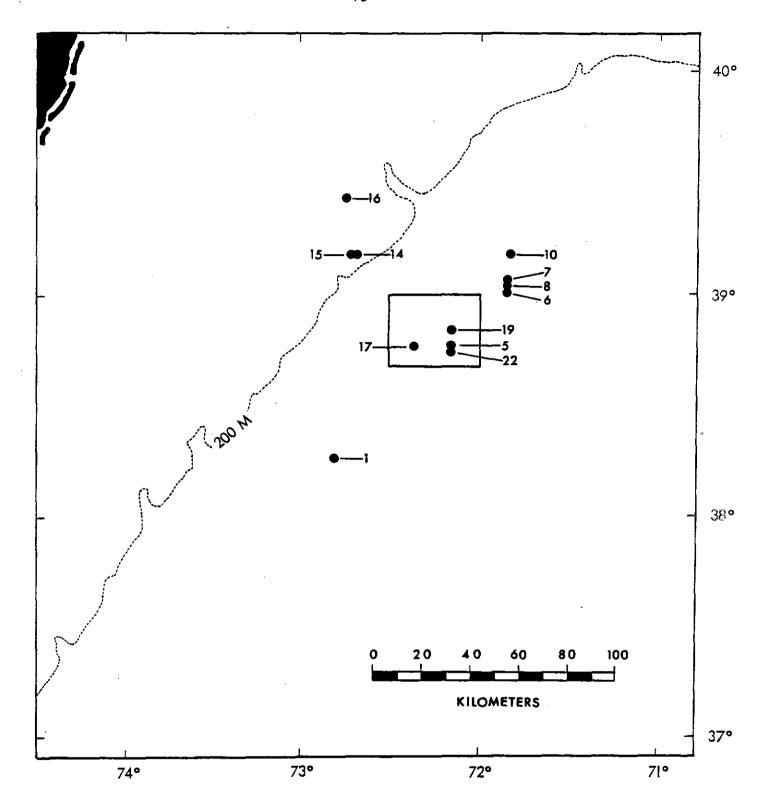


Figure 3. Location of stations from which fishes were available from the Deepwater Dumpsite 106 cruise of April 1978.

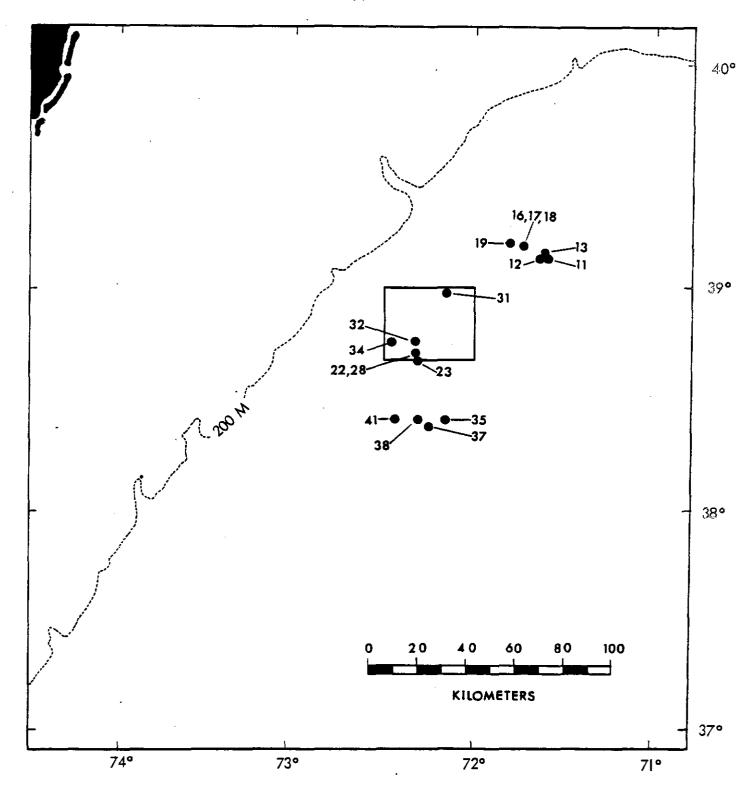


Figure 4. Location of stations from which fishes were available from the Deepwater Dumpsite 106 cruise of June 1978.

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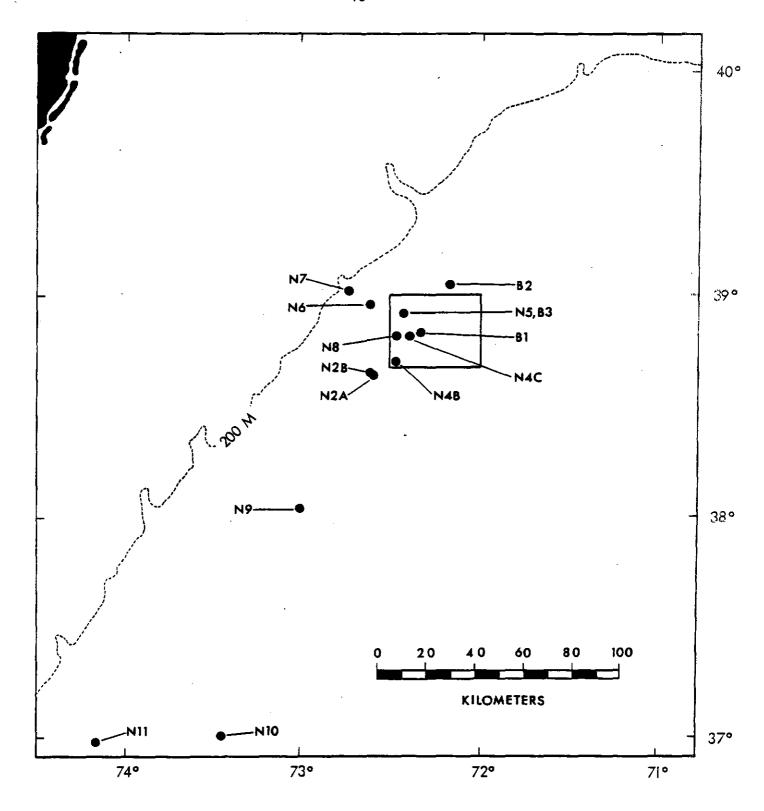


Figure 5. Location of stations from which fishes were available from the Deepwater Dumpsite 106 cruise of November 1978.

Table 1. Station data for the 1978 cruises to Deepwater Dumpsite 106. Only those stations from which samples were used for this report are listed. Positions are in latitude north and longitude west. Times and dates are in Greenwich Mean Time. Depths are in meters (O indicates a surface tow).

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Table 2. List of fishes from the January-February cruise to Deepwater Dumpsite 106. The stages (L=larval, J=juvenile, A=adult) and the size range (lengths in millimeters) follow each taxon.

		Number and	
Station 	Taxon	Stage	Size Range
1	Myctophum punctatum	6A	60.4-68.0
4	Diaphus iumerilii	1.4	44.2
4	Gonichthys 20000	4A	33.2-46.0
8	Myctophum affine	1A 2 A	52.0
8 3	Myctophum punctatum	IA	53.5-61.7 58.0
8	Notoscopelus resplendens Symbolophorus veranyi	1J,ÎA	24.2-105.5
10	Diaphus dumerilii	4A	41.0-45.5
10	Symbolophorus veranyi	. 2A	92.2-107.3
14	Dairhus dumerillii	1A	50.4
14	Myetophum punetatum	2A	50.9-50.9
15	Astronesthes niger	1A	43.2
16	Astronesthes niger	2A	50.2-61.0
16 16	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus] J	14.5
16	Diaphus aumerilii	1A 2J,1A	53.0 18. 0-40. 5
16	Gonichthys cocco Myctophum punctatum	5A	56.3-59.4
16	Notoscopelus resplendens	ŽĀ	52.9-60.8
16	Symbolophorus veranyi	2A	53.6-110.5
20	Diaphus dumerilii	TA	62.4
20	Gonichthys cocco	IJ	20.2
20	Myctophum affine	31	15.3-18.1
20	Myctophum obtisirostre	2J	16.8-19.6
20	Myctophum punctatum	5A	55.2-58.2
20 20	Symbolophorus veranyi	1J,1A 6L	25.6-52.1 11.9-19.9
20	Urophycis SP(P) Mugil curema	2J	21.0-21.4
21	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	1J	28.2
21	Mycrophum iffine	ij	21.2
21	Myctophum isterum	30	14.0-18.0
21	Myctophum obtusirostre	2ე	15.5 - 17.8
21	Myetophum punetatum	4A	56.3-65.5
21	Notoscopelus resplendens	1A	61.8
21	Symbolophorus veranyi	4J,2A	. 24.8-84.5
21 22	Mugil cephalus	3 <i>J</i> 1A	20.2-21.2 55.2
22	Daiphus dumerilii Gonichthys cocco	6J,3A	18.1-48.6
22	Hygophum hygomi	· lJ	17.5
22	Myctophum asperum	ij	17.0
22	Myctophum nitidulum	6J	16.0-26.5
22	Myctophum obtusirostre	5 J	14.5-24.8
22	Myctophum punctatum	4A	58.2-61.5
22	Symbolophorus veranyi	13J	23.5-36.5
26	Gonichthys cocco	1A -	35.3
26 26	Myctophum punctatum Symbolophorus veranyi	2A 1A	56.1-59.0 103.6
27	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus	3Ĵ	13.0-15.0
27	Diaphus dumerilii	4J	43.3-50.5
27	Gonichthys cocco	8J,1A	19.0-33.8
27	Myctophum isperum	3J	15.0-16.2
27	Myctophum nitidulum	6J	16.0-26.5
27	Myctophum obtusirostre	5J	14.5-16.1
27	Myctophum punctatum	4A	58.2-61.5
27	Symbolophorus veranyi	30	24.2-51.0
28 28	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus	1A 91 1A	30.7
28 28	Daichus dumerilii Conichthys cocco	8J,IA 5J	42.1-53.5 18.2-20.0
28	Hygophum hygomi	1J	16.2
28	Myctophum affine	2J	39.1-43.6
28	Myctophum asperum	4J	13.5-20.8
28	Myctophum nitidulum	6J	15.2-34.5
28	Mycrophum obtusirostre	2J	15.4-16.1
28	Myctophum punctatum	8A	54.2-64.3

Table 3. List of fishes from the April cruise to Deepwater Dumpsite 106. The stages (L=larval, J=juvenile, A=adult) and the size range (lengths in millimeters) follow each taxon.

Station	Taxon	Number and Stage	Size Range
	Trophycis Sp(p)	5L	4.3-5.0
1	Hippocampus erectus	1A	ca 50
1	Peprilus triacanthus	6L	5.6-7.9
1	Bothus sp	ĭL	12.9
55555666677	Anguilla rostrata	3L	55.8-58.6
5	Myctophum punctatum	3A	55.2-65.1
5	Sympolophorus veranyi	13	30.8
5	Scomberesox saurus	IJ	74.8
5	Mugil cephalus	1J	21.1
5	Ayctophum asperum	IJ	17.0
6	Myetophum punctatum	1A	57.3
6	Notolychnus valdivae	2A	17.0-19.9
5	Symbolophorus veranyi	3J	30.0-32.6
	Myctophum punctatum	6A	53.0-65.2
4	Myctophum SP	1L	8.5
7	Symbolophorus veranyi	30	26.1-30.9
.8	Myctophum punctatum	2A	59.0-65.0
10	Benthosema glaciale	1A	55.4
10	Symbolophorus veranyi	2J	24.2-27.1
14	Armodytes Sp	17L	11.0-17.3
15	Ammodytes SP	4L	9.8-15.5
16	Lophius americanus	16	12.5
16 17	Ammodytes SP	155L	15.0-25.0
17	Engraulis eurystole] J	31.0 11 6. 0
17	Saurenchelys cancrivora?	TL 1J	
17	Diaphus taaningi	9A	2 5. 5 54.3-64.2
17	Myctophum punctatum	7A 1J	32.1
17	Symbolophorus veranyi Mugil vephalus	lJ	27.0
19	Indicathus relanophorus	16	65.0
19	Saurida sp?	ĬĹ	10.2
19	Hygophum hygomi	3A	28.6-36.8
19	Myctophidae sp(p)	3L	5.0-7.6
ig	Myetophum punetatum	9A	54.9-66.0
19	Symbolophorus veranyi	3J	26.9-35.0
19	Lophius americanus	2L	4.8-5.0
19	Antennariidae sp	īĪ	4.5
19	Carapus bermudensis	ίĒ	-
19	Macrouridae sp	2L	4.1-4.6
19	Prionotus SD	īĹ	5.7
19	Scorpaenidae sp	21.	5,6-7.0
19	Centropristis striata	īĹ	3.9
19	Diplectrum SP	ìĹ	8.0
19	Citharichthys SP	2L	4.2-9.4
19	Ammodytes SP	2L	-
22	Merluccius bilinearis	īĹ	3.3
22	Urophycis sp(p)	3L	4.0-5.6
22	Peprilus triacanthus	4L,1J	6.8-19.3
22	Bothus Sp	ĬŁ	19.2

Table 4. List of fishes from the June cruise to Deepwater Dumpsite 106. The stages (L=larval, J=juvenile, A=adult) and the size range (lengths in millimeters) follow each taxon.

			
Station	Taxon	Number and Stage	Size Range
1.1			
11	Hygophum SP	<u>]</u> L	7.7
11	Myctophidae sp	16	6.4
11	Lophius americanus	4L	4.5-6.1
12	. Benthosema glaciale	1)	15.5
12	Diaphus dumerilii	13	19.0
12	Hygophum hygomii	1A	32.4
13	Notolepis rissoi	2L	18.8-27.0
13	Benthosema glaciale	<u>1</u> J	15.5
13	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	1L	11.7
13	Diaphus dumerilii	<u>1</u> J	19.0
13	Hygophum hygomi	1A	32.4
13	Myctophidae sp(p)	8L	5.4-10.2
16	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus	2J	15.0-15.2
16	Gonichthys cocco	1J	20.4
16	Myctophum affine	18J	15.5-24.2
16	Myctophum nitidulum	2J	17.5-24.5
16	Symbolophorus veranyi	IJ	41.8
17	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus	3J	15.0-21.1
17	Gonichthys cocco	1A	36.6
17	Myctophum affine	3J	16.8-18.8
17	Myctophum nitidulum	2J,2A	14.6-45.8
17	Scomberesox saurus	1J	87.5
18	Gonichthys cocco	4J	19.3-21.4
18	Myctophum affine	32J,1A	14.6-47.5
18	Myctophum asperum	4 J	19.5-22.5
18	Symbolophorus veranyi	2J	34,0-38.6
18	Urophycis sp(p)	4 J	13.7-30.4
18	Scomberesox saurus	1L	29.5
18	Mugil cephalus	IJ	25.0
19	Urophycis sp(p)	2J	15.2-33.5
19	Seriola fasciata?	1J	22.8
19	Mygil cephalus	IJ	22.3
19	Mugil curema	· 3J	18.2-24.6
19	Parablennius marmoreus?	IJ	19.8
19	Monacanthus hispidus	2J	15.3-16.5
19	Sphoeroides SP	3J	8.9 - 14.5
22	Urophycis sp(p)	3L	9.8-10.4
22	Monacanthus hispidus	IJ	25.2
22	Sphoeroides Sp	9J	8.4-10.5
23	Canthidermis sufflamen	1J	31.2
23	Monacanthus hispidus	4 J	23.5-40.0
23	Sphoeroides sp	12J	7.7-11.8
28	Gonichthys cocco	4J	19.0-25.7
28	Myctophum affine	ไป	22.5
28	Myctophum nitidulum	2J	18.4-18.8
28	'Urophycis sp(p)	2L,6J	6.9-22.5
28	Scomberesox saurus	ÍL	16.0
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Table 4. (continued)

Station	Taxon	Number and Stage	Size Range
31	Conighthya agaa		39.5
31	Gonichthys cocco Myctoph um affine	່ານີ	22.5
31	Symbolophorus veranyi	ij	50.8
31		4L,6J	8.0-17.5
31	Urophycis SP(P) Scomberesox saurus	1J	29.5
31	Pomatomus saltatrix	ij	23.2
31		2J	21.0-24.3
31	Seriola fasciata? Seriola zonata?	1J	30.2
31	Mugil curema	ij	20.5
31		ij	15.0
31	Peprilus triacanthus	2J	38.0-43.5
	Monacanthus hispidus	20 2A	37.2-38.5
32	Gonichthys cocco	1A	101.0
32	Sumbolophorus veranyi	IJ	39.4
32	Scomberesox saurus	ij	29.2
32	Pomatomus saltatrix	ij	24.4
32	Seriola fasciata?		30.1-39.4
32	Monacanthus hispidus	3J	
34 35	Sphoeroides Sp	2J	13.0-15.2
35 35	Benthosema glaciale	IJ.	12.7
35	Gonichthys cocco	IJ	22.0
35	Hygophum taaningi]J	26.0
37	Gonostoma elongatum	2L	7.1-7.5
37	Benthosema glaciale	2L,2J,1A	6.1-3.8
37	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	15L	5.0-9.2
37	Hygophum sp	4L	5.9-6.5
37	Lampanyctus sp]L	4.5
37	Lepidophanes guentheri	1 L	18.0
37 .	Myctophidae sp(p)	4L	4.0-5.9
38	Centrobranchus nigroocellatus]J	21.4
38	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	16	6.7
38	Gonichthys cocco	6J,11A	19.0-38.0
38	Hygophum reinhardtii]J	12.9
38	Myctophum asperum	1J	16.9
38	Myctophum nitidulum	53	13.0-25.2
38	Urophycis sp(p)	5L,5J	6.9-14.0
38	Sphoeroides sp]J	10.2
41	Gonichthys cocco	10A	27.1-41.2
41	Myctophum affine	5J	23.5-38.4
41	Myctophum nitidulum	5J	22.7-29.0
41	Myctophum selenops	IA	25.6
41	Prognichthys gibbifrons	IJ	37.5
41	Scomberesox saurus	2J	17.5-34.5
41	Oligoplites saurus	jj	10.8
41	Seriola dumerili?	1J	19.5-22.0
41	Monacanthus hispidus	2J	21.2-25.3

Table 5. List of fishes from the November cruise to Deepwater Dumpsite 106. The stages (L=larvae, J=juvenile, A=adults) and the size range (lengths in millimeters) follow each taxon.

		Number and	
Station	Taxon	Stage	Size Range
N2A	Urophucis sp(p)	14L,2J	5.1-16.0
N2A	Abudefdof saxatilus	ij	18.6
N2A	Monacanthus hispidus	2J	22.0-27.7
N2A	Sphoeroides Sp	7J	6.0-11.7
N2B	Urophycis sp(p)	116L,25J	5.9-21.2
N2B	Seriota SP	2L	8.4-10.1
N2B	Mullus auratus	1L,4J	7.5-10.7
N2B	Mugil curema	1L .	7.0
N2B	Canthidermis sufflamen	13	18.2
N2B	Monacanthus hispidus	IJ	23.0
N2B	Sphoeroides SP	17J	5.7-12.2
81	Benthosema suborbitale	IJ	14.6
B1	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	2J	22.4-22.8
B1	Diaphus dumerilii	IJ	20.2
81	Diogenichthys atlanticus	2J	12.5-15.3
В1	Lepidophanes guentheri	1J	28.4
B1	Myctophum Sp	1L	6.2
B1	Serranidae	2L	6.2-3.0
B1	Labridae sp(p)	3L	6.2-6.7
B1	Scanidae sp	2L	6.5-7.0
81	Callionymus	2L	2.7-3.0
B1	Gobiidae sp(p)	3L	4.8-8.1
B1	Bothus sp(p)	5L	3.8-7.6
B2	Congridae sp	ĨĹ	50.2
B2	Vinciguerria nimbaria	2L	9.0-13.8
82	Sudis hyalina	1Ļ	12.4
82	Ceratoscopelus maderensis	19L	6.5 - 11.5
B2	Ceratoscopelus warmingi	2L	8.7-8.8
B2	Diaphus dumerilii	1J	16.8
82	Diaphus rafinesquii	1J	11.5
82	Diaphus taaningi	1L,1J	9.7-12.7
82	Hygophum benoiti	3 J	11.3-32.8
B2	Lampanyctus alatus	IJ	17.3
B2	Lepidophanes guentheri	ไป	18.0
B2	Notolychnus valdīvae	ไป	11.9
B2	Symbolophorus veranyi	IJ	15.0
B2	Enchelyopus cimbrius	ไป	13.1
B2	Carapus bermudensis	1L	. 67.5
B2 .	Scaridae sp(p)	3L	7.3-7.9
82	Gobiidae spp	2L	7.3-8.0
B2	Diplospinus multistriatus	<u>I</u> L	10.6
B2	Trichiuridae	1L	_10.3
B2	Bothus sp(p) ·	5L	5.4-9.7
B2	Etropus microstomus?	ĬL	4.5
B2	Syacium papillosum	2L	6.4-6.7
B2	Symphurus Sp] L	7.0
N48	Harengula jaguana?	2L	14.5-14.8
N4B	Synodontidae sp	11.	9.4
N48	Lestidium atlanticum	11	22.0
N4B	Gonichthys cocco	2J,18A	22.4-40.8
N4B	Muctophum affine	1J,4A	18.3-52.0
N4B	Euleptorhamphus velox	lJ El	35.8
N4B	Urophycis Sp(p)	6J .	9.4-17.8
N4B	Mugil curema	2J	10.8-20.9
N4B	Scaridae sp	1L	5.0
N4B	Bothus sp(p)	4L	4.3-8.2
N4B N4C	Syacium papillosum	1L	6.4
	Engarulis eurystole	1L	22.5
N4C N4C	Gontonthus cocuc	1J,6A	19.5-46.3
1176	Aygophum bensiti	1J	28.5

Table 5. Continued.

N4C Muctophum affine 9J,2A 18 N4C Urophycis sp(p) 4J 15 N4C Seriola dumerili 3J 28 N4C Coryphaena hippurus 1J N4C Mugil curema 1J N4C Labridae 1L N4C Bothus sp(p) 4L 8 N4C Etropus microstomus 1L N4C Syacium papillosum 1L N4C Monacanthus hispidus 2J 17 N4C Sphoeroides sp 1J	2.8-22.0 3.2-51.9 5.3-20.8 3.0-48.5 21.0 12.6 9.3 3.2-8.7 7.4 6.8 7.0-20.0
N4C Nyctophum affine 9J,2A 18 N4C Urophycis sp(p) 4J 15 N4C Seriola dumerili 3J 28 N4C Soryphaena hippurus 1J N4C Mugil curema 1J N4C Labridae 1L N4C Bothus sp(p) 4L 8 N4C Etropus microstomus 1L 8 N4C Syacium papillosum 1L 1L N4C Monacanthus hispidus 2J 17 N4C Sphoeroides sp 1J	5.3-20.8 3.0-48.5 21.0 12.6 9.3 3.2-8.7 7.4 6.8 7.0-20.0
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N4C Sphoeroides sp 1J	
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N5 Hygophum sp 1J	-
	3.8-22.5
N5 Balistes capriscus 1J	24.0
N5 Sphoeroides sp 10J 7	7.5-13.2
B3 Anguilla rostrata 2L 26	5.4-49.9
B3 Notolepis rissoi IL	18.0
B3 Diaphus sp 1L	7.4
B3 Carapus bermudensis 4L 42	1.5-105.0
83 Labridae sp 1L	8.0
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	.5-26.0
	3.3-31.0
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	.0-44.8
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	.8-22.5
	23.5
	21.9
	.0-20.0
N8 Scorpaenidae 1L	6.4
	18.0
	25.9
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	12.0
	13.9
	25.0
	36.5
	42.6
	19.5
	11.6
	.1-31.6
	.0-10.7
	.6-14.5
	.0-27.2
	.5-42.3

Table 6. Summary list by family of the fishes available from four cruises to Deepwater Dumpsite 106 in 1978. Their numbers and developmental stages follow each taxon. A dash (-) indicates none of the taxon for that cruise. A check (/) after a taxon indicates a shelf taxon and two checks (//) a southern taxon. Taxa with no checks are oceanic.

	February	April	June	November
ANGUILLIDAE				
Anguilla rostrata	-	-	-	2L
NETTASTOMATIDAE Hoplunnis sp. ?	-	11	-	-
CONGRIDAE Unidentified	-	-	-	1L
OPHICHTHIDAE Ophichthus melanoporus	-	1L	-	-
CLUPEIDAE Harengula jaguana ? (/) (//)	-	-	-	2L
ENGRAULIDIDAE Engraulis eurystole (/) (//)	-	ານ	-	3L
GONOSTOMATIDAE Gonostoma elongatum	-	-	2L	-
PHOTICHTHYIDAE Vinciguerria nimbaria	-	-	-	2L
ASTRONESTHIDAE As <i>tronesthes niger</i>	3 A	-	-	-
SYNODONTIDAE		11		
Sauridae Sp. (\checkmark) $(\checkmark/)$ Trachinocephalus myops (\checkmark) $(\checkmark/)$ Unidentified	- -	1L - -	- -	2L 1L
PARALEPI DI DAE				
Lestidium atlanticum	-	-	. •	11.
Notolepis rissoi	•	<u>.</u>	2L	1L 1L
Sudis hyalina	-	-	•	16
YYCTOPHIDAE		1.6	71 51 10	
Benthosema glaciale Benthosema suborbitale	_	1A	7L,5J,1A	- 1J
Centrobranchus nigroocellatus	5J	-	6ปี	4J
Ceratoscopelus maderensis	ÌĴ	-	1 <i>7</i> L	19L.2J
Ceratoscopelus warmingii	-	-	-	2L
Diaphus dumerilii	16J,6A	-	2J	2J
Diaphus rafinesquii?	-	-	-	IJ
Diaphus taaningi	-	าง	_	1L,1J
Diaphus Sp. •	-	-	-	1L
Diogenichthys atlanticus	-	-	-	13
Gonichthys cocco	24J,8A	-	16J,25A	7J,60A
Hygophum benoiti	-	-	_ -	5J
Нудорнит нудотіі	2J	3 J	2J	1A
Hygophum reinhardtii	-	-	IJ	2J
Hygophum taaningi	-	-	jj	. .
Hygophum spp.	-	-	5L	1J
Lampanyctus alatus	-	-		1J
Lampanyetus sp.	-	-	<u>]L</u>	-
Lepidophanes guentheri	-	•	IJ	3J
Myctophum affine	6J, [A	,-	64J,1A	12J,6A
Myctophum asperum Myctophum nitidulum	11J	IJ	.5J	-
MEL/OT/OT/MEL/OT 1019 T-9 /791 (1/09)	18J	-	18J	_

Table 6. (continued)

	February	April	June	November
Myctophum obtusirostre Myctophum punctatum Myctophum selenops Myctophum spp. Notolychnus valdivae Notoscopelus resplendens Symbolophorus veranyi Unidentified	16J 6A - - 3J,1A 27J,4A	30A 1L 1J,1A 13J 3L	- 1J - - 4J,1A 13L	1L 1J 1J
LOPHIIDAE Lophius americanus? (√)	-	3L	4L	-
ANTENNARIIDAE Unidentified	-	1L	-	-
GADIDAE Enchelyopus cimbrius (√) Urophycis sp(p) (√)	- 6J	- 8L	4L,23J	1J 18 8L, 364J
MERLUCCIDAE Merluccius bilinearis? (√)	-	1L	<u>.</u> .	-
CARAPODIDAE Carapus bermudensis (√)	•	1L	-	5 i .
MACROURIDAE Unidentified	-	2L	-	•
EXOCOETIDAE Cypselurus melanurus (\forall \forall) Euleptorhamphus velox (\forall \forall) Prognichthys gibbifrons (\forall \forall)	- - -		- - 1J	1J 1J
SCOMBERESOCIDAE Scomberesox saurus	-	าม	2L,5J	•
SYNGNATHIDAE Hippocampus erectus (√) Unidentified	-	1A -	:	- 1J
SCORPAENIDAE Unidentified	-	2L	-	ĪL
TRIGLIDAE Prionotus sp. (√)	-	1L	-	•
SERRANIDAE Centropristis striata (√) Diplectrum sp. (√√) Unidentified	:	1L 1L	:	ī.
POMATOMIDAE Pomatomus saltatrix (√)	-	-	2J	-
CARRANGIDAE Decapturus punctatus? (√) Oligoplites saurus (√) Seriola dumerili (√√) Seriola fasciata? (√√) Seriola zonata? (√√) Seriola Sp.		- - - -	1J 4J? 4J 1J	1 J 3 J - 2 L

Table 6. (continued)

	February	April	June	November
CORYPHAENIDAE Coryphaena hippurus	-	•	-	5.J
GERRIDAE Eucinostoma gula? (√)	-	-	-	5L
MULLIDAE Mullus auratus (/)	-	-	-	1L,4J
POMACENTRIDAE Abuāejāuf saxatilis (√√)	•	-	-	3J
MUGILIDAE Mugil cephalus (√) Mugil curema (√)	3J 2J	2J -	1 J 4 J	1L,3J
LABRIDAE Unidentified (√)	· •	-	-	4L
SCARIDAE Unidentified (√√)	-	-	_	7 L
BLENNIIDAE Parablennius marmoreus? (√)	-	-	13	-
AMMODYTIDAE Ammodytes sp. (√)	-	178L	-	-
CALLIONYMIDAE Callionymus sp. (√/)	-	-	-	21.
GOBIIDAE Unidentified (/)	-	-	-	āL
TRICHIURIDAE Diplospinus multistriatus Unidentified	<u>-</u>	•	- -	1L 1L
STROMATEIDAE Peprilus triacanthus (√)	-	10L,1J	IJ	-
BOTHIDAE Bothus sp(p) (/) Citharichthys sp. (/) Etropus microstomus? (/) Syacium papillosum (/)	- - -	2J 2L -	:	21L 2L 4L
CYNOGLOSSIDAE Symphurus sp. (√)	-	-	-	ĬĻ
BALISTIDAE Balistes capriscus Canthidermis sufflamen Monacanthus hispidus Monacanthus setifer	:	:	-]J 14J -	J J J J J
TETRAODONTIDAE Sphoeroides sp.	-	-	19J	42J

Table 7. List of fishes by cruise in 61-cm bongo nets at 39°07'N-72°11'W from 1974 to 1976 MARMAP surveys. Times and dates are in Greenwich Mean Time. Numbers of specimens, in developmental stages (L=1arval, J= juvenile, A=adult), size ranges (lengths in millimeters), and numbers calculated for 10 square meters follow each taxon.

Cruise	Start Time	Oate	Taxon	No. and Stage	Size Range	No./10ໜ ²
DL-74-07	1343	27-VII-74	Ophichthys sp. Notolepis rissci Brosme prosme Bothus sp. Citharichthys arctifrons	2L 1L 1L 1L 1L	7.5 & 11.5 11.5 16.5 3.5	7.00 3.50 3.50 3.50 3.50
DL-74-08	1605	19-VIII-74	Gobiidae sp. Bothus sp(p) Citharichthys arctifrons	1 L 2 L 1 L	6.5 4.5 & 8.5 6.5	4.08 8.16 4.08
DL-74-11	1420	26-IX-74	Maurolicus muelleri Notolepis rissoi Urophycis sp(p) Ophidiidae Citharichthys arctifrons	1L 2L 11L 1L 3L	5.5 3.5 & 20.5 3.5-10.5 - 3.5-4.5	7.05 14.10 77.55 7.05 21.15
DL-74-13	2030	26-X-74	Maurolicus muelleri Urophycis sp. Bothus sp.	1L 1L 1L	6.5 7.5 9.5	5.51 5.51 5.51
DL-75-01	1912	4-11-75	Notolepis rissoi Paralepis coregonoides	1 L 5 L	15.5 11.5-17.5	3.45 17.25
AT-75-07	0002	12-VII-75	Conger oceanicus Sphoeroides Sp.	1L 1J	44.5 10.5	5.00 5.00
AT-75-08	0230	16-VIII-75	Engraulis eurystole Lestidium atlanticum Ceratoscopelus maderensis Myctophum affine Myctophum punctatum Carapus bermudiensis Gobiidae Auxis sp(p) Nomeidae sp. 3othus sp(p)	1 L 1 L 3 L 1 L 1 L 1 L 2 L 1 L 3 L	10.5 22.5 4.5-6.5 9.5 6.5 9.5 7.5 8.5 & 9.5 3.5 6.5-11.5	6.97 6.97 20.92 6.97 6.97 6.97 13.94 6.97 20.91
DL-75-14	0508	13-IX-75	Benthosema glaciale Ceratoscopelus maderensis Labridae	1L,1J 17L,1J 1L	7.5 & 39.5 4.5-16.5 12.5	4.98 44.84 2.49
DL-76-07	0600	23-V-76	Myctophidae sp.	1A	55.5	7.40
DL-76-10	0820	11-VI-76	Bentho sema glaciale	7L,2J	5.5-22.5	56.79

Table 8. Summary list of fishes by month from 61-cm bongo collections taken 11.2 km north of DWD 106 from 1974-76. Their numbers and developmental stages (L=larval, J=juvenile, A=adult) follow each taxon. A dash (-) indicates none of the taxon for that month. No samples were taken in January and December. A check (/) after a taxon indicates a shelf taxon; and two checks (//) a southern taxon. Taxa with no checks are oceanic.

•	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
CONGRIDAE Conger oceanicus	-	_	<u>.</u>	<u>-</u>	_	H.	-	-	-	_
OPHICHTHIDAE Ophichthys sp(p)	-	-	-	-	_	2L	-	-	-	-
ENGRAULIDIDAE Engraulis eurystole	-		-	_	-	-	ΊL	-	-	-
STERNOPTYCHIDAE Maurolieus muelleri	-	-	•	_	_	-	-	1L	-	-
PARALEPIDIDAE										
Lestidium atlanticum	-	_	-	-	-) L	_	-	-
Notolepis rissoi Paralepis coregonoides	1 L 5 L	-	_	-	-	1L -	-	2L -	-	- -
MYCTOPHI DAE										
Benthosema glaciale	-	_	-	_	6L,2J	-	-	lL,lJ	-	-
Ceratemagelus maderensis	-	-	-	-	-	-	2L,1?	17L,1J	-	-
Mystophom affine	-	-	-	-	-	-	ΙĹ	-	-	-
Mystophum punstatum Unidentified	· -	- -	-	1A?	- -	_	1L	-	-	-
GADIDAE										
Brown browne (\checkmark) Urophysis $sp(p)$ (\checkmark)	- -	-	-	-	-) L	<u>-</u> -	11 <u>L</u>	1Ĺ	-
OPHIDIIDAE Unidentified	-	_	-	_	_	_	•	٦L	_	_

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	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
CARAPODIDAE Carapus bermudensis (√/)	_		_		_	_	1L	-	-	-
LABRIDAE Unidentified	-	-	-	-	_	-	_	11.	-	-
GOBIIDAE Unidentified (/)	-	-	- .	-	-	-	2L	-	-	-
SCOMBRIDAE Auxis Sp.	-	-	-	_	-	-	2L	-	~	
BOTHIDAE Rothus sp(p) (/) Citharichthys arctifrons (/)	- -	- -	- -	<u>-</u>	-	1L 1L	5L 1L	· IL 3L	-	- -
NOMEIDAE Unidentified	-	-	-	-	-	-	1L	-	-	-
TETRAODONTIDAE Sphoeroides sp (√)	-	-	-	-	13	_	-	_	-	-

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