Table 4.20 Fish Stocks [1] : 1963 - 1999[2]

Thousand tonnes

	North Sea							North-East Atlantic Mackerel
	Cod IIIa, IV, VIId	Herring IVc, VIId	Haddock IIIa, IV	Whiting IV, VIId	Sole IV	Plaice IV	Saithe[3] IIIa, IV & VI	Areas IIa, IIIa, IV,Vb1 VI,VII,VIII & IXa
1963	452	4,725	3,387	1,136	151	547		
1964	542	4,874	1,188	705	68	625		
1965	714	4,407	812	775	122	581		
1966	860	3,355	780	646	114	588		
1967	924	2,830	1,216	820	109	591		
1968	789	2,527	6,700	1,380	100	548		
1969	631	1,908	2,344	761	84	526		
1970	973	1,923	1,405	560	73	526		
1971	1,180	1,851	1,672	557	73	501		
1972	810	1,551	1,677	646	64	495	1,110	
1973	656	1,158	900	983	56	488	993	
1974	623	915	1,568	735	60	468	1,144	
1975	705	687	2,163	1,181	59	496	1,068	
1976	610	366	885	1,127	53	451	918	
1977	822	220	567	1,110	56	480	627	
1978	812	236	665	776	58	475	569	
1979	805	394	673	950	53	474	587	
1980	1,015	644	1,250	836	44	488	547	
1981	855	1,174	671	636	51	489	650	
1982	840	1,863	840	491	60	561	692	
1983	649	2,622	759	512	69	550	819	
1984	718	2,732	1,493	485	66	562	848	3,388
1985	503	3,167	860	441	55	552	717	3,593
1986	683	3,368	716	663	54	657	702	3,586
1987	571	3,860	1,068	537	57	639	506	3,468
1988	426	3,655	428	418	73	631	486	3,637
1989	416	3,351	397	561	95	594	466	3,656
1990	328	3,167	343	482	114	563	430	3,459
1991	297	2,977	740	457	104	473	471	3,824
1992	403	2,991	603	406	105	447	509	3,949
1993	338	2,961	854	375	100	399	558	3,883
1994	422	2,380	503	357	87	330	575	3,828
1995	423	1,977	943	358	72	313	688	4,053
1996	378	1,585	618	289	53	292	568	4,056
1997	503	1,958	668	238	53	320	542	4,474
1998	321	2,005	544	234	71	349	498	4,732
1999	290	2,440	392	312	72	352	401	5,195

Source: CEFAS; ICES

[1] Total stock biomass

[2] Revisions have been made to previously published estimates of recent years stocks of all the above species. Revisions to previously published estimates of stocks of herring, saithe and mackerel have been made for most years of the series shown.

[3] The data for Area IIIa & IV saithe is no longer available and is assessed as part of the wider stock of IIIa, IV & VI saithe.

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