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#### ABSTRACT

The food habits of juvenile Pacific cod, <u>Gadus</u> <u>macrocephalus</u>, and walleye pollock, <u>Theragra</u> <u>chalcogramma</u>, collected in July and August in 1981 through 1983 in the eastern Bering Sea, were compared in relation to some morphological characteristics.

The fishes° gill rakers were counted, the distances between gill rakers were measured, and the stomach tissue weight was measured. The stomach contents were analysed by occurrence, number and volume. It was found that the fishes° gill structures were related to size-selective predation in both fishes. Pollock utilized small zooplankton and cod large zooplankton.

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#### CHAPTER 1

#### INTRODUCTION

Distribution of Pacific Cod and Walleye Pollock in the Southeast Bering Sea

Pacific cod, <u>Gadus macrocephalus</u> (Tilesius), and walleye pollock, <u>Theragra chalcogramma</u> (Pallas), are two of the most important demersal fishes in the North Pacific. Adults are typical demersal species inhabiting the continental shelf and slope of subarctic and temperate seas.

Geographically, Pacific cod range from California in North America to the Yellow Sea in Asia, and northwards to the Chukchi Sea (Hart, 1973). In the eastern Bering Sea, Pacific cod are widely distributed over the continental shelf and slope region migrating seasonally between feeding and wintering grounds (Moiseev, 1956). In the Bering Sea during winter, they form dense aggregations where sea surface temperature are 2.5-3.5°C (Teshima, 1983).

Walleye pollock range from the southern Sea of Japan in Asia to Oregon in America, and northwards to the Chukchi Sea (Hart, 1973). Walleye pollock are widely distributed over the continental shelf, slope and Aleutian basin in the Bering Sea, with the highest

densities along the shelf edge (Bakkala et al., 1983). They also exhibit marked seasonal migrations on- and off-shelf. During winter season they tend to aggregate along the outer shelf area (200-500 m depth) where the bottom water temperature is  $2.0-4.4^{\circ}$  C (Chen, 1983). After spring spawning they disperse over the continental shelf to feed.

#### Commercial Catch and Fishing Area

Pollock have been exploited commercially since 19th century but were not fully exploited in the North Pacific until the 1960°s. World catches ranged from 3.3 to 6.0 million metric ton in the years 1970-1980. In the eastern Bering Sea, the commercial catch ranged from 0.9 to 1.9 million metric ton in the years 1970-1983. The major fishing ground in the eastern Bering Sea is along the outer continental shelf (Bakkala et al., 1983).

Catches of Pacific cod in the eastern Bering Sea increased from 13 thousand to 70 thousand metric ton between 1964 and 1970. Afterwards the catches varied between 33 thousand and 83 thousand metric ton between 1971 and 1983 (Bakkala and Wespestad, 1984). Pacific cod have been a by-catch in the pollock fishery. Occasionally, however, they have been the target species when dense aggregations have been detected.

Recently, catches of Pacific cod by U.S. fishermen (joint-venture and domestic) contributed 53% of the total Pacific cod catch in the eastern Bering Sea, reaching 43,977 metric ton in 1983 ( Bakkala and Wespestad, 1984). Pacific cod catches in the eastern Bering Sea ranged from 2.2% to 7.8% (average 4.0%) of the combined total of cod and pollock catch in the years 1970-1983.

### Objectives

In the eastern Bering Sea, the distribution, and spawning grounds and season of adult cod and pollock substantially overlap (Bakkalla, 1981). However, egg and larval stages are spatially segregated. The eggs of Pacific cod are believed to be demersal and slightly adherent (Yamamoto and Nishioka, 1952; Thompson, 1963), whereas eggs of walleye pollock float in the upper surface layer (Yusa, 1954; Nishiyama and Haryu, 1981). However, there is again temporal and spatial overlap during postlarvae and juvenile stages. They are encountered in the mid-layer concurrently (Nishiyama and Haryu, 1981; Nishiyama et al., 1983). Such a concurrence of cod and pollock juveniles in the mid-layer raises questions as to whether they compete for food, or utilize different food organisms.

The literature on food habits of Atlantic cod is extensive (Wiborg, 1948; Marak, 1960; Sysoeva and Degtereva, 1965; Bainbridge and Mckay, 1968; Armstrong, 1982; Klementsen, 1982) with several studies comparing food habits of Atlantic gadid fishes (Last, 1978; Langton and Bowman, 1980). In contrast, the feeding habit studies of Pacific cod are relatively few (Suyehiro, 1942; Forrester, 1969; Mito, 1974; Westrheim, 1977; Jewett, 1978; Hunter, 1979; Clausen, 1980).

The feeding habit of young and adult pollock has been extensively studied (Takahashi and Yamaguchi, 1972; Mito, 1974; Smith et al., 1978; Wespestad, 1978; Baily and Dunn, 1979; Dwyer et al., 1983; Maeda, 1983; Yoshida, 1984). Although the food and feeding habits of the larval stage and young-of-the-year juveniles have been reported, available information is limited (Kamba, 1977; Clarke, 1978; Cooney et al., 1980; Nishiyama et al., 1983; Walline, 1983).

No available information, however, exists on the feeding habits of juvenile cod in the southeast Bering Sea. Further, no attempts have been made to compare the feeding habits between juvenile cod and pollock, which co-occur in the same water.

The objective of this study was twofold. First, I examined the types of organisms juvenile cod and pollock consumed to determine if they are partitioning the food resources and therefore avoiding competition. Second, I examined the relationship between the morphological characteristics and the food utilized. Particular attention is paid to the comparisons of stomach tissue weight and gill structure between the two species, as it is known that the feeding behavior of fishes is closely related to such morphological characteristics of each species (Nilsson, 1958; Nikolsky, 1963; Brooks and Dodson, 1965).

#### CHAPTER 2

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study Area and Sampling Method

Eighty three stations were established in the eastern Bering Sea, south of St. Lawrence Island and east of  $180^{\circ}$  W longitude. In addition, there were 5 stations south of Alaska Peninsula. Samples were collected in July and August in 1981 through 1983 aboard R/V Thompson (University of Washington), R/V Alpha Helix (University of Alaska), and T/V Oshoro Maru (Hokkaido University, Japan). Juvenile cod were collected from 24, and pollock from 45 of the 88 stations. No gadoid fish were collected from 38 stations (Fig. 1). A total of 4,689 larvae and juveniles of gadoid fishes were collected from 50 sampling stations. Cod occupied 4.2% (195 fish), and the remaining were pollock. Cod were collected mostly from the edges of continental shelf between Unimak Pass and the Pribilof Islands. To characterize the feeding habits on a regional basis, 4 stations were designated as A, B, C, and D, and 5 stations located near the Pribilof Islands were grouped and designated as E (Table 1).

Four types of sampling gear were used to collect the juveniles from the different depths. A 1.5 m-ring fish larvae net was towed at two knots in the surface



Fig. 1. Study area and the occurrence of larval and juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock. The symbols A through E designate the stations which were used for the comparison of regional food characteristics.

| Station  | Date      | Locati    | ion        | Sample size |         |  |  |  |  |
|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
|          |           | Lat. (N)  | Long.(W)   | Cođ         | Pollock |  |  |  |  |
| A        | 7-8-81    | 54° 29.0' | 166° 54.0' | 48          | 47      |  |  |  |  |
| В        | 7-30-82   | 57° 01.9' | 164°20.5'  | 23          | 30      |  |  |  |  |
| С        | 7-18-83   | 54° 59.5' | 165° 00.9′ | 17          | 30      |  |  |  |  |
| D        | 7-18-83   | 55° 28.3' | 165° 02.3' | 43          | 60      |  |  |  |  |
| <b>—</b> | - 7-20-83 | 57°02.3′  | 167° 50.0′ | 3           | 5       |  |  |  |  |
|          | 7-20-83   | 56° 33.5' | 168° 31.1' | 2           | 5       |  |  |  |  |
| Е —      | 7-21-83   | 56° 15.0' | 168° 57.3' | 8           | 24      |  |  |  |  |
|          | 7-21-83   | 55° 56.7' | 169°24.5'  | 1           | 5       |  |  |  |  |
|          | 7-20-83   | 56° 14.3' | 169°00.3′  | 1           | 1       |  |  |  |  |
|          |           |           |            |             |         |  |  |  |  |

Table 1. Station locations used for the comparison of the regional differences in food habits of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock in the southeast Bering Sea.

layer (0 - 1.3 m in depth) for 10 minutes one hour after sunset. Juveniles from mid-water (15 - 70 m) were collected with Mid-water, Issac-Kid Mid-water, and Tucker trawls, and towed at 3 knots for 30 minutes (Table 2). The trawl nets were towed at the depth layer where the thermocline was found.

#### Length and Weight Measurements of Fishes

The juvenile cod and pollock were picked from the samples aboard the ship, and preserved in a 5% buffered formaldehyde solution. In the laboratory, fishes were blotted with an absorbent paper, and the gross weight was measured to the nearest 1 mg on a Mettler balance. Net weight was derived by subtracting food weight from gross weight. Standard length (SL) was measured to the nearest 0.1 mm under a binocular microscope. Caudal fin length was measured to the fork and the end of the fin under a binocular microscope fitted with an ocular micrometer to the nearest 0.04 mm. Total length (TL) and fork length (FL) were calculated by adding the measurements to the standard length. A maximum subsample of 60 pollock were used for these measurements for any one station.

| Month year            | Cruise No.              | Sampling<br>gear | Sampling<br>depth | No. of<br>Station | No. of fish<br>Cod Pollock |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| July, 1981            | <b>R/V Thompson 159</b> | Tucker trawl     | 50 - 15           | m 1               | 48 <b>48</b>               |
| July & August<br>1982 | R/V Alpha Helix<br>31   | Tucker trawl     | 5 <b>0 -</b> 15   | m 6               | 39 1846                    |
| June & July<br>1982   | T/V Oshoro Maru<br>90   | Fish larva net   | t 0 - 1.3         | m 14              | 10 88                      |
| **                    |                         | IKMT net         | 50 - 15           | m 6               |                            |
| July, 1983            | T/V Oshoro Maru<br>95   | Fish larva net   | t 0 - 1.3         | m 18              | 8 30                       |
| ••                    | и                       | IKMT net         | 70 - 20           | m 12              | - 210                      |
|                       | 10                      | Midwater traw    | 1 70 - 20         | m 31              | 90 2476                    |

Table 2. Sampling methods used in collecting larval and juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock in the southeast Bering Sea and sample size.

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Condition Factor

The condition factor (Everhart and Youngs, 1981) of the fishes was calculated from:

$$Cf = \frac{Wt - Wf}{TL3} \times 1000$$
 (1)

where Cf is the condition factor, Wt is wet body weight in mg, Wf is wet food weight in mg, and TL is the total length in mm. This formula implies that the fish growth is isometric, i.e. the growth rate for length, breadth, and the depth of fish is equal.

#### Gill Structure

Gill rakers were counted and the interval between gill rakers measured from 40 cod and 42 pollock ranging from 24.0 to 73.7 mm TL. Of the four gill archs, the first was chosen because gill rakers were best developed on this arch. The gill raker interval measurement was standardized as the distance between the 10th and the 15th gill rakers counted from the first gill raker on the upper arch in pollock, and between the 6th and the 10th gill rakers counted from the first gill raker on the upper arch in cod, which intervals were the widest in each species.

Determination of the Weight of Prey

One hundred ninety five cod and 305 pollock stomachs were examined (Table 3). Stomachs were separated by using surgical scissors and blades. Whole stomachs containing food were excised from fish and weighed to the nearest 0.01 mg. Following this, stomach contents were removed, and the stomach tissues weighed separately. The weight of food was calculated by difference. Prey organisms from each stomach were preserved in a 40% isoprophyl alcohol solution, and identified.

Because of the different structure of the various food organisms, they were measured differently. Calanoid and cyclopoid copepods were measured in prosome length. The size of harpacticoid copepods, amphipods, euphausiids, chaetognaths, and fish larvae was represented by the total length. The diameter of pteropods and eggs of zooplankton and fish was measured. The size of the other prey organisms, such as appendicularians and crab zoea or megalopa, were measured following Uye (1982).

To determine length-weight relationships of major prey organisms, zooplankton samples were collected from 2 locations in the southeast Bering Sea  $(54^{\circ} 19.8' \text{ N}, 171^{\circ} 34.1' \text{ W}, \text{ and } 63^{\circ} 30.2' \text{ N}, 165^{\circ} 44.7' \text{ W})$  in August 1983.

| Date    | Locat     | ion        | Number of fish |         |     |         |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|-----------|------------|----------------|---------|-----|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
|         | Lat.(N)   | Long. (W)  | Со             | llected | Dis | sected  |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | 2000 (11) | 201-80 ()  | Cod            | Pollock | Cod | Pollock |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-8-81  | 54°29.0'  | 166° 54.0' | 48             | 48      | 48  | 47      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-7-82  | 54°09.3′  | 162° 05.3' | 6              | 6       | 6   | 6       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-8-82  | 55° 33.7′ | 155° 22.0' | 3              | 10      | 3   | 10      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-14-82 | 57°05.7′  | 152° 25.7' | 1              | 0       | 1   | 0       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-30-82 | 57° 01.9' | 164° 20.5' | 23             | 1,759   | 23  | 30      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8-6-82  | 55° 37.9' | 166° 39.9' | 4              | 48      | 4   | 14      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8-8-82  | 54° 52.2' | 167° 59.5' | 2              | 9       | 2   | 9       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8-8-82  | 55° 37.9' | 166° 39.9' | 2              | 0       | 2   | 0       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8-11-82 | 55° 26.9' | 160° 32.7' | 8              | 7       | 8   | 7       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-17-83 | 54° 07.8' | 161°26.4′  | 1              | 23      | 1   | 5       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-18-83 | 55° 28.3' | 165°02.3'  | 43             | 198     | 43  | 60      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-18-83 | 54° 59.9′ | 165°00.9'  | 17             | 164     | 17  | 30      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-18-83 | 56°00.6′  | 164° 58.1' | 4              | 0       | 4   | 0       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-19-83 | 56° 58.8' | 165° 00.9' | 6              | 343     | 6   | 30      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-19-83 | 57° 28.2′ | 165°02.0'  | 1              | 35      | 1   | 5       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-20-83 | 57°02.3′  | 167° 50.0' | 3              | 308     | 3   | 5       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-20-83 | 56°33.5′  | 168° 31.1' | 2              | 401     | 2   | . 5     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-20-83 | 56°14.3'  | 169°00.3′  | 1              | 1       | 1   | . 1     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-21-83 | 56°15.0'  | 168° 57.3' | 8              | 56      | 8   | 24      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-21-83 | 55° 56.7' | 169°24.5′  | 1              | 7       | 1   | 5       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-21-83 | 54°20.7′  | 171° 33.2′ | 2              | 3       | 2   | 3       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-24-83 | 56° 37.3' | 171° 35.2′ | 3              | 28      | 3   | 5       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-25-83 | 57° 42.2′ | 170° 54.6′ | 1              | 3       | 1   | 3       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-26-83 | 57° 19.5′ | 174° 29.8′ | 5              | 0       | 5   | 0       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-26-83 | 56°49.6′  | 175°22.6′  | 0              | 1       | Ō   | 1       |  |  |  |  |  |

# Table 3. Sampling location and number of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock collected and dissected for stomach content examination.

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The length and wet weight of 50 to 75 individuals of each species were measured, and length-weight regression equations determined (Table 4).

To determine the weight of each prey organism in fish stomachs, the organisms were measured and the weight determined from the length-weight relationship. The total weight of a prey species in a stomach was calculated from:

$$Wt = \underbrace{(Wn)}_{n} \times N \qquad (2)$$

where Wt is the total weight of a prey species, Wn is the sum of the weight of the prey organisms measured, N is the total number of a prey species, and n is the total number of measured prey organisms. Thus, the estimated total weight of stomach contents in a fish before digestion is calculated from:

$$Ws = \sum_{i=1}^{n} Wti \qquad (3)$$

where Ws is the total weight of stomach contents of a fish, n is the number of prey species, and Wti is the total weight of "i"th prey species.

The specific gravity of seawater 1.025 was used in converting the weight of prey organisms into volume.

Table 4. Length-weight regression of major prey of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock. The equation used was  $W=a \ge L^b$ , where W is wet weight in mg and L is total length or prosome length in mm of the organism. a and b are empirical constants and  $r^2$ is the coefficient of determination.

| Prey organism       | Sample<br>size | Size range<br>mm | Weight range<br>mg | a×10 | Ь     | $r^2$ |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Chaetognath         | 50             | 12.7-34.8*       | 3.27-73.74         | 0.02 | 2.993 | 0.970 |
| C. cristatus        | 50             | 6.56-7.60**      | 11.49-20.62        | 1.02 | 2.608 | 0.619 |
| C. plumchrus        | 50             | 3.52-4.20**      | 2.12-4.00          | 0.92 | 2.626 | 0.529 |
| E. bungii bungii    | i 75           | 2.56-5.32**      | 0.20-3.83          | 0.23 | 3.001 | 0.905 |
| Metridia <b>sp.</b> | 50             | 1.36-2.40**      | 0.07-1.38          | 0.42 | 3.923 | 0.905 |
| Amphipod            | 50             | 1.40-8.80*       | 0.15-35.31         | 0.62 | 2.842 | 0.965 |
| Euphausiid          | 50             | 3.20-16.00*      | 0.47-35.40         | 0.12 | 2.930 | 0.979 |
| Crab zoea           | 50             | 1.60-4.80*       | 1.42-29.05         | 5.58 | 2.387 | 0.964 |

\* total length, \*\* prosome length

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The weight of small prey organisms less than 1 mm in length was estimated following Nishiyama and Hirano (1983).

## Feeding Index

Feeding index of individual fish was shown as the percentage of food weight to body weight by:

$$If = \underbrace{Wt}{Wt - Wf} \times 100$$
(4)

where If is feeding index, Wt is wet body weight in mg, and Wf is wet food weight in mg.

### Index of Relative Importance of Food

Following (Pinkas et al., 1971), the index of relative importance (IRI) was determined from:

$$IRI = % FO (% N + % V)$$
 (5)

where FO is frequency of occurrence, N is number, and V is volume.

Throughout this study, appendicularians and eggs of zooplankton were excluded from the calculation of percent number and percent volume. The reasons for the exclusion are: the eggs of zooplankton are so numerous that, when these eggs are included, the percent number of other prey categories approaches zero, and the volume of the eggs occupies only a negligible fraction of food comprising 0.4% in cod and 1.6% in pollock. Appendicularians occupy a substantial fraction in frequency of occurrence in pollock (19.7%) and also seem to have a substantial fraction in volume. The problems in quantifying appendicularians result from the softness of the body tissue. Although the number of appendicularians was enumerated, the number is undoubtedly much smaller than the actual number due to a progressed digestion. Therefore, the calculation of percent number and percent volume of appendicularians would not be accurate.

## Proportional Similarity of Food

Following Pielou (1977), proportional similarity (PS) was calculated for prey numbers and volume. Proportional similarity of food is a relative measure of the occurrence of the same food resources between the predators regardless of the food resources abundance in the environment. This was calculated from:

$$PS = 2 \sum_{v=1}^{s} \min \left[ \frac{Xiv \quad Xjv}{2} \right]$$
(6)

where PS is proportional similarity, s is total number of

species, Xiv is the amount of species in identity "i", Xjv is the amount of species in identity "j", and Z is

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$$Z = \sum_{v=1}^{S} (Xiv + Xjv)$$
(7)

When the compositions of the two identities are the same, the PS is 1, and when there is no common food resources between the two identities, the PS is 0.

#### CHAPTER 3

#### RESULTS

Morphometry

Length-Weight Relationship of Fishes

Total length ranged between 24.6 mm and 73.7 mm in cod, and 19.6 mm and 68.5 mm in pollock (Table 5). The length-weight relationship for both species are well represented by power equations, and "f2" varied from 0.96 to 0.97 for the three lengths (Tables 6, A-1 and A-2).

The regression equations for the conversion of standard length (SL, mm) to fork length (FL, mm), of standard length to total length (TL, mm) in cod are FL=0.36+1.07xSL and TL=0.72+1.08xSL, respectively. These regression equations in pollock are FL=0.31+1.07xSL and TL=0.42+1.09xSL, respectively. The caudal fins were longer in cod than in pollock until they reach 40.2 mm SL, and thereafter the caudal fins of pollock exceeded that of cod (Table A-3). The bifurcation of the caudal fin became more distinct in pollock than in cod as the fishes grew. As a result, the distance between total length and fork length was longer in cod until the fishes reached 30.0 mm SL, but thereafter it became longer in pollock.

| Length range |      | Pacifi | c cod |       |      | Walleye | polloc | k     |
|--------------|------|--------|-------|-------|------|---------|--------|-------|
| mm           | 1981 | 1982   | 1983  | Total | 1981 | 1982    | 1983   | Total |
| 15.0 - 19.9  |      | _      | _     | _     | _    | 2       | _      | 2     |
| 20.0 - 24.9  | -    | -      | 1     | 1     | 5    | 4       | -      | 9     |
| 25.0 - 29.9  | -    | 4      | 7     | 11    | 4    | 4       | 2      | 10    |
| 30.0 - 34.9  | 4    | 9      | 18    | 31    | 1    | 8       | 15     | 24    |
| 35.0 - 39.9  | 13   | 4      | 22    | 39    | 9    | 20      | 35     | 64    |
| 40.0 - 44.9  | 22   | 6      | 22    | 50    | 12   | 19      | 48     | 79    |
| 45.0 - 49.9  | 6    | 8      | 16    | 30    | 1.3  | 9       | 40     | 62    |
| 50.0 - 54.9  | 3    | 12     | 8     | 23    | 3    | 7       | 24     | 34    |
| 55.0 - 59.9  | -    | 6      | 2     | 8     | _    | 2       | 11     | 13    |
| 60.0 - 64.9  | -    | -      | 1     | 1     | -    | ł       | 6      | 7     |
| 65.0 - 69.9  | -    | -      | -     | -     | _    | -       | 1      | 1     |
| 70.0 - 74.9  | -    | -      | 1     | 1     |      | -       | -      | -     |
| Total        | 48   | 49     | 98    | 195   | 47   | 76      | 182    | 305   |
| Mean         | 41.5 | 44.0   | 40.7  | 41.7  | 39.8 | 39.9    | 44.7   | 42.8  |
| SD           | 4.7  | 9.6    | 8.5   | 8.1   | 8.4  | 8.8     | 7.9    | 8.5   |

Table 5. Length-frequency of the juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock used for the stomach analysis. Years in which samples were obtained are also shown.

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Table 6. Length-weight relationships for gross (a) and net (b) body weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock. See Table 4 for further explanation.

| Length |     | Pacif             | ic cod |      |     | Walleye           | pollock        |                |  |
|--------|-----|-------------------|--------|------|-----|-------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
|        | N   | ax10 <sup>3</sup> | b      | r2   | N   | ax10 <sup>3</sup> | Ъ              | r <sup>2</sup> |  |
| TL     | 195 | 3.627             | 3.182  | 0.96 | 305 | 3.914             | 3.107          | 0.97           |  |
| FL     | 165 | 4.860             | 3.110  | 0.97 | 271 | 4.278             | 3 <b>.09</b> 5 | 0.97           |  |
| SL     | 165 | 6.006             | 3.127  | 0.96 | 304 | 5.651             | 3.088          | 0.97           |  |

a) Length-gross body weight relationship

b) Length-net body weight relationship

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| Length |     | Pacific cod       |       |                |     | Walleye pollock   |       |                |  |  |
|--------|-----|-------------------|-------|----------------|-----|-------------------|-------|----------------|--|--|
|        | N   | ax10 <sup>3</sup> | b     | r <sup>2</sup> | N   | ax10 <sup>3</sup> | Ь     | r <sup>2</sup> |  |  |
| TL     | 195 | 3.801             | 3.162 | 0.96           | 305 | 3.828             | 3.106 | 0.97           |  |  |
| FL     | 165 | 5.110             | 3.089 | 0.97           | 271 | 4.189             | 3.093 | 0.97           |  |  |
| SL     | 165 | 6.080             | 3.115 | 0.97           | 304 | 5.532             | 3.086 | 0.97           |  |  |

\* TL: total length, FL: fork length, SL: standard length

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The results suggest that the morphological changes in body shape and fin occur differently between cod and pollock.

## Condition Factor

The condition factor ranged between 4.56 and 9.07 in cod and between 3.10 and 7.30 in pollock. The mean value of condition factor was 6.97 (one standard deviation=0.86) in cod and 5.73 (one standard deviation=0.66) in pollock, indicating that cod are deeper and/or broader for a given body length than pollock (Table 7).

When compared by size range, the condition factor of cod increased significantly from 30.0-34.9 mm TL to 35.0-39.9 mm TL, and from 35.0-39.9 mm TL to 40.0-44.9 mm TL. In contrast, the condition factor did not appreciably increase with fish size in pollock (Table A-4). This means that the body conformation changes with size increase in cod but not in pollock.

#### Stomach Tissue Weight

Stomach tissue is heavier in cod than in pollock for the same length or weight group (Fig. 2). The difference of stomach tissue weight is greater in the same length group than in the same weight group (Tables A-5 and A-6).

| Range of         | Pa   | cific co | d    | Wa   | Walleye pollock |             |  |
|------------------|------|----------|------|------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Condition factor | 1981 | 1982     | 1983 | 1981 | 1982            | 1983        |  |
| 3.00 - 3.99      | _    |          | _    | 1    | 2               |             |  |
| 4.00 - 4.99      | -    | _        | 3    | 2    | 16              | 16          |  |
| 5.00 - 5.99      | 1    | -        | 15   | 7    | 53              | <b>10</b> 5 |  |
| 6.00 - 6.99      | 6    | 26       | 54   | 29   | 5               | 61          |  |
| 7.00 - 7.99      | 20   | 18       | 24   | 8    | -               | ·           |  |
| 8.00 - 8.99      | 20   | 5        | 1    | -    | -               | -           |  |
| 9.00 - 9.99      | 1    | -        | 1    | -    | -               | -           |  |
| Total            | 48   | 49       | 98   | 47   | 76              | 182         |  |
| Mean             | 7.77 | 6.97     | 6.58 | 6.33 | 5.29            | 5.73        |  |
| SD               | 0.67 | 0.67     | 0.76 | 0.79 | 0.55            | 0.53        |  |

Table 7. Frequency distribution of Condition Factor of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock. SD is one standard deviation.

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Fig. 2. The relationship between fish size and stomach tissue weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

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### Gill Structure

Cod and pollock differ in the number of gill rakers and the distance between gill rakers (Fig. 3). The number of gill rakers ranged from 16 to 24 over 24.6-73.7 mm TL size range for cod, and from 26 to 40 over 24.0-68.4 mm TL size range for pollock (Tables A-7 and A-8). The gill raker interval ranged from 0.14 to 0.43 mm in cod, and from 0.09 to 0.24 mm in pollock. Morphologically, the first gill arch of cod is characterized by few, short and widely-spaced gill rakers, while that of pollock has numerous, long and closely-spaced ones. The interval between the gill rakers was wide in cod, and narrow in pollock. Although there was occasional differences in number and interval of gill rakers between left and right side, the differences were statistically insignificant.

It is evident that in cod the number of gill rakers increased only by 2 as the fish grew from 20 mm TL to 70 mm TL, while in pollock it increased by 10 (Table 8). As a result, the gill raker interval remained narrow in pollock even in large fish.



Fig. 3. The relation of gill raker number (A) and spacing between gill rakers (B) of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

| Table 8. | Estimated number and interval between gill rakers |
|----------|---|
|          | in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.      |
|          | Estimations are based on empirical equations:     |
|          | 1) Y=0.041X+18.64, 2) Y=0.213X+23.84,             |
|          | 3) Y=0.006X+0.003, and 4) Y=0.004X-0.001.         |

| Fish | length | Nu                | mber                  | Interval, mm      |                       |  |  |  |
|------|--------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
|      | mm     | Cod <sup>1)</sup> | Pollock <sup>2)</sup> | Cod <sup>3)</sup> | Pollock <sup>4)</sup> |  |  |  |
|      | 15     | 19                | 27                    | 0.08              | 0.05                  |  |  |  |
|      | 20     | 19                | 28                    | 0.11              | 0.07                  |  |  |  |
|      | 25     | 19                | 29                    | 0.14              | 0.09                  |  |  |  |
|      | 30     | 20                | 30                    | 0.17              | 0.11                  |  |  |  |
|      | 35     | 20                | 31                    | 0.20              | 0.13                  |  |  |  |
|      | 40     | 20                | 32                    | 0.23              | 0.14                  |  |  |  |
|      | 45     | 20                | 33                    | 0.26              | 0.16                  |  |  |  |
|      | 50     | 20                | 34                    | 0.29              | 0.18                  |  |  |  |
|      | 55     | 21                | 35                    | 0.31              | 0.20                  |  |  |  |
|      | 60     | 21                | 36                    | 0.34              | 0.22                  |  |  |  |
|      | 65     | 21                | 37                    | 0.37              | 0.23                  |  |  |  |
|      | 70     | 21                | 38                    | 0.40              | 0.25                  |  |  |  |
|      | 75     | 22                | 39                    | 0.43              | 0.27                  |  |  |  |
|      |        |                   |                       |                   |                       |  |  |  |

#### Food of Juvenile Cod and Pollock

Prey Composition

Prey composition in occurrence, number and volume was related remarkably to fish size (Figs. 4A, 4B and 4C, and Tables A-9 and A-10). Cod smaller than 35 mm TL fed heavily on adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp., cyclopoid copepods (<u>Oithona</u> sp. and <u>Oncaea</u> sp.), <u>A. longiremis</u> and <u>L.</u> <u>helicina</u> while those longer than 50 mm TL preyed on amphipods, calanoid copepods (<u>C. plumchrus</u>, <u>C.</u> <u>cristatus</u>), euphausiids, and fish larvae. Juvenile cod between 35-50 mm TL fed on prey intermediate in size of those fed on by small and large fish.

Pollock smaller than 40 mm TL heavily fed on zooplankton eggs, cyclopoid copepods, <u>A</u>. <u>longiremis</u>, and adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. Pollock longer than 40 mm TL fed on prey organisms greater than 2 mm in size such as calanoid copepods, amphipods, and euphausiids. However, the above-mentioned prey organisms taken by small pollock §40.0 mm TL remained in a substantial quantity.

Prey composition of pollock changed gradually over the size range examined. In contrast, prey composition in cod appeared to change abruptly at 50 mm TL, being characterized by fish larvae, crab zoea and megalopa, and amphipods.



1:eggs(dia. 0.11mm), 2:eggs(dia. 0.20mm), 3:eggs(dia. 0.36), 4:copepod nauplii, 5:cyclopoid copepods, 6:Limacina helicina, 7:Balanus sp., 8:Pseudocalanus copepodite, 9:Acartia longiremis, 10:adult Pseudocalanus sp., 11:harpacticoid copepods, 12:A. tumida, 13:Calanus abdominalis, 14:Tortanus discaudatus, 15:Metridia sp., 16:C. marshallae, 17:C. plumchrus, 18:crab zoea and megalopa, 19:amphipods, 20:euphausiid furcilia, 21:Eucalanus bungii bungii, 22:C. cristatus, 23:appendicularians, 24:euphausiids(adult and sub-adult), 25:chaetognaths, 26:shrimp, 27:fish larvae.



Fig. 4B. Percent number of prey (in order of increasing size) of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock by fish size (total length, mm). See Fig. 4A for denotation of prey organisms.



Fig. 4C. Percent volume of prey (in order of increasing size) of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock by fish size (total length, mm). See Fig. 4A for denotation of prey organisms.

This contrasts with pollock which target the calanoid copepods (<u>E</u>. <u>bungii</u> <u>bungii</u> <u>and</u> <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u>) and small prey organisms such as cyclopoid copepods and adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. The differences in prey composition was reflected in the mean number of prey per fish. The mean number of prey tends to decrease in cod, but increase in pollock as the fishes grow (Fig. 5 and Table A-11).

The proportion of prey was relatively similar between cod and pollock. However, crab zoea and megalopa, fish larvae and amphipods occurred more frequently and formed a larger volume in cod. In contrast, appendicularians and <u>E. bungii bungii</u> was higher in pollock.

## Prey Size

Prey size varied from 0.11 mm for copepod eggs to 25 mm TL for fish larvae (Fig. 6, and Tables A-12 and A-13). Most prey species had narrow size ranges, but the size of amphipods and euphausiids had a wide size range due to different species and life stages being present. However, the measured prey size is not the best estimate because of the bias caused by the digestion of food. Instead, the mean weight of prey was used in the prey size comparison (Fig. 7, and Tables A-14 and A-15).



Fig. 5. The relation between fish size and mean number of prey organisms in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

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Fig. 6. Prey size of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

egl:eggs(dia. 0.11mm),eg2:eggs(dia. 0.20mm), eg3:eggs(dia. 0.36mm),CN:copepod nauplii,CY:cyclopoid copepods, LH:Limacina helicina, BA:Balanus sp.,PP:Pseudocalanus copepodite,AL:Acartia longiremis,PS:Pseudocalanus sp.(adult),HP:harpacticoid copepods,AT:A. tumida,CA:Calanus abodominalis,TD:Tortanus discaudatus,MT:Metridia sp.,CR:crab zoea and megalopa,CM:C. marshallae,CP:C. plumchrus,AM:amphipods,EF: euphausiid furcilia, EB:Eucalanus bungii bungii,CC:C. cristatus,AN:appendicularians,ED:euphausiids(adult and sub-adult),CH:chaetognaths,SH:shrimp,FS:fish larvae.



Fig. 7. The relation between mean weight (A, measured and B, estimated) of prey organisms and length of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

The mean weight per prey organism is greater in cod than in pollock when the same fish size is compared.

### Food Weight and Feeding Index

Mean food weight increased similarly for cod and pollock until they reach 40 mm TL (Table A-16). Thereafter the food weight increased faster in cod than in pollock (Fig. 8a). But the mean food weight relative to fish weight did not differ greatly between the two fish species (Fig. 8b and Table A-17). Although there is no significant disparity in mean food weight between the two fishes at 20.0-40.0 mm TL, the disparity of the mean food weight became greater when the fishes were larger than 40 mm TL.

Feeding index for the overall sample was not statistically different between the two species at 10% significant level (Table 9). The correlation coefficient between total length and feeding index is 0.217 in cod and 0.016 in pollock.



Fig. 8. The relation between mean food weight and fish length (A), and mean food weight and fish weight (B) of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

| Fish length, mm |            | Pacific co | d    | W   | alleye pol | lock |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------|-----|------------|------|
|                 | N          | Mean       | SD   | N   | Mean       | SD   |
| 15.0 - 19.9     |            | _          | -    | 2   | 1.64       | 0.72 |
| 20.0 - 24.9     | 1          | 3.89       | -    | 9   | 3.71       | 5.18 |
| 25.0 - 29.9     | 11         | 2.18       | 0.49 | 10  | 2.18       | 1.83 |
| 30.0 - 34.9     | 31         | 2.38       | 1.23 | 24  | 2.44       | 1.51 |
| 35.0 - 39.9     | 39         | 2.53       | 1.86 | 64  | 2.83       | 1.82 |
| 40.0 - 44.9     | 5 <b>0</b> | 2.52       | 1.54 | 79  | 2.47       | 1.64 |
| 45.0 - 49.9     | 30         | 2.86       | 2.04 | 62  | 2.83       | 2.01 |
| 50.0 - 54.9     | 23         | 4.02       | 3.03 | 34  | 2.74       | 1.80 |
| 55.0 - 59.9     | 8          | 3.26       | 3.59 | 13  | 2.82       | 1.93 |
| 60.0 - 64.9     | 1          | 3.21       | -    | 7   | 3.39       | 1.64 |
| 65.0 - 69.9     |            |            | -    | 1   | 1.44       | -    |
| 70.0 -74.9      | 1          | 5.11       | -    | -   | -          | -    |
| Total           | 195        | 2.77       | 2.00 | 305 | 2.70       | 1.95 |

| Table 9. | Feeding Index of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock. |
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|          | N is the sample size and SD is one standard deviation.     |

Index of Relative Importance (IRI)

The top 10 IRI ranked prey are listed for each 5 mm size interval in Tables 10 and 11. In cod, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. ranked first until the fish were 34.9 mm TL. Between 35.0 mm and 49.9 mm TL, <u>C. plumchrus</u> and amphipods rank first. When cod were larger than 50.0 mm TL, fish larvae ranked first. Between 20.0 mm and 45.0 mm TL, cyclopoid copepods were in the top 5 ranks, but did not appear within the top 10 ranks after 45.0 mm TL. <u>C. plumchrus</u> in the top rank between 35.0 mm and 45.0 mm TL declined to ranks 3-5 in the 45.0 -60.0 mm TL.

In pollock, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. and cyclopoid copepods ranked first or second throughout the whole size range. <u>E. bungii bungii</u> were also important, varying between the second and the fifth ranks.

In cod, the IRI of cyclopoid copepods, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite were relatively high among the fish smaller than 40.0 mm TL, but became negligible at 45.0 mm TL (Fig. 9). In contrast, the IRIs of these prey in pollock showed consistently high values beyond 45.0 mm TL. <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> and <u>E. bungii bungii</u> exhibited substantial values for the overall samples in pollock, while these were negligible in cod.

| Prev species           | Fish size     |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|
|                        | 20.0<br>-24.9 | 25.0<br>-29.9 | 30.0<br>-34.9 | 35.0<br>-39.9 | 40.0<br>-44.9 | 45.0<br>-49.9 | 50.0<br>-54.9 | 55.0<br>-59.9 | 60.0<br>-64.9 | 70.0<br>-74.9 | Total |
| Calanoida              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| C. cristatus           | -             | -             | 8             | -             | 3             | 9             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -     |
| C. marshallae          | -             | 7             | 9             | -             | -             | -             | -             | 4             | -             | -             | -     |
| C. plumchrus           | -             | -             | 6             | 1             | 1             | 3             | 3             | 5             | -             | -             | 2     |
| Pseudocalanus sp.      |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| adult                  | 1             | 1             | 1             | 2             | 7             | 4             | 2             | 8             | 4             | -             | 1     |
| copepodite             | 2             | 5             | 5             | 5             | 9             | -             | -             | 6             | -             | -             | 7     |
| C. abdominalis         | -             | 10            | -             | -             | -             | -             |               | -             | -             | -             | -     |
| Metridia sp.           | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | 10            | 10            | -             | 3             | -             | -     |
| A. longiremis          | 3             | 3             | 4             | 7             | -             | 8             | -             | -             |               | -             | 10    |
| A. tumida              | -             | 8             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -     |
| Cvclopoid copepods     | 4             | 2             | 2             | 4             | 5             | -             |               | -             | -             | -             | 4     |
| Harpacticoid copepods  | -             | 9             | -             | 9             | 6             | -             |               | -             | -             |               | -     |
| Amphipods              | -             | -             | 7             | 6             | 10            | 1             | 5             | 3             | 5             | 2             | 5     |
| Euphausiids            |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| adult and juvenile     | -             | 6             | 10            | -             | 4             | 5             | 4             | . 2           | -             | -             | 6     |
| furcilia               | 5             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | 9             | 7             | -             | -             | -     |
| Crab zoea and megalopa | a –           | -             | -             | 8             | 8             | 2             | 8             | -             | 2             | 3             | 9     |
| Shrimp                 | -             | -             |               | -             | -             | 6             | 7             | -             |               | -             | -     |
| Pteropoda              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| Limacina helicina      | -             | 4             | 3             | 3             | 2             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | 3     |
| Fish larvae            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | 7             | 1             | 1             | 1             | 1             | 8     |

Table 10. Index of Relative Importance rank of major prey organisms found in the stomach of juvenile Pacific cod.

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| Prev species       | Fish size     |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|
| ,                  | 15.0<br>-19.9 | 20.0<br>-24.9 | 25.0<br>-29.9 | 30.0<br>-34.9 | 35.0<br>-39.9 | 40.0<br>-44.9 | 45.0<br>-49.9 | 50.0<br>-54.9 | 55.0<br>-59.9 | 60.0<br>-64.9 | Total |
| Chaetognaths       | _             | _             | _             |               | 7             | 9             | -             | 9             | _             | 3             | 8     |
| Calanoida          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| C. cristatus       | -             | -             | -             | -             |               | -             | 9             | -             | 9             | -             | -     |
| C. marshallae      | -             | 7             | 7             | 7             | 5             | 4             | 6             | 8             | 6             | 8             | 5     |
| C. plumchrus       | -             | -             | 8             | 5             | 6             | 6             | 5             | 6             | 10            | -             | 6     |
| E. bungii bungii   | -             | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             | 5             | 3             | 2             | 2             | 2             | 3     |
| Pseudocalanus sp.  |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| adult              | 2             | 2             | 2             | 1             | 1             | 2             | 1             | 1             | 1             | 1             | 1     |
| copepodite         | 3             | 4             | 6             | 4             | 4             | 3             | 4             | 4             | 3             | 4             | 4     |
| C. abdominalis     | -             | -             | 9             |               | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -     |
| Metridia sp.       | -             | 8             | 10            | 9             | ~~            | -             |               | 7             | 8             | -             | -     |
| A. longiremis      | 1             | 6             | 4             | 8             | 8             | 8             | 10            | 10            | -             | -             | 9     |
| A. tumida          | -             | 9             | -             | -             |               | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -     |
| T. discaudatus     |               | -             | -             | ~             | -             | -             | -             | . –           | -             | 9             | -     |
| Cyclopoid copepods | 4             | 1             | 1             | 2             | 2             | 1             | 2             | 5             | 5             | 6             | 2     |
| Amphipods          | -             | 5             | -             | _             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -     |
| Euphausiids        |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |       |
| adult and juvenile | -             | -             | 5             | 6             | 9             | 7             | 8             | 3             | 4             | 5             | 7     |
| furcilia           | -             | _             |               | -             | 10            |               | -             | -             | -             | 7             | -     |
| calyptopis         | _             | -             | -             | -             |               | -             | -             | -             | -             | 10            | -     |
| Fish larvae        | <del></del>   | -             | -             | -             | _             | -             | -             | -             | 7             | -             | -     |

Table 11. Index of Relative Importance rank of major prey organisms found in the stomach of juvenile walleye pollock.

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Fig. 9. The relation between Index of Relative Importance and fish length of major prey organisms in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

<u>Metridia</u> sp. and euphausiids showed a similar tendency in both fishes over all fish size ranges. When the fishes became larger than 45.0 mm TL, amphipods and fish larvae exhibited high IRI values in cod, but were negligible in pollock.

#### Proportional Similarity (PS)

The PS of food between cod and pollock decreases steadily both in number and volume as the fishes grow (Fig. 10). The PS in number was 0.55 at 15.0-29.9 mm TL, peaked as 0.69 at 30.0-34.9 mm TL, and declined to 0.04 at 55.0-74.9 mm TL. The PS in volume shows a similar trend: 0.42 at 15.0-29.9 mm TL, 0.58 at 30.0-34.9 mm TL, and 0.20 at 60 mm TL (Table A-18).

There was a difference in the feeding habits of the fishes based on PS (Fig. 11, and Tables A-19 and A-20). The values of PS-length difference of fish in cod was generally low when compared to those in pollock. In cod, the PS decreases steadily both in number and volume as the length difference becomes greater. But in pollock, the PS in number doesn°t decrease until the length difference becomes 25.0 mm. The PS in volume decreases more slowly in pollock than in cod.



Fig. 10. The relation between the Proportional Similarity of food (number and volume) and size of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.



Fig. 11. The relationship between the Proportional Similarity of food (number and volume) and unit length difference (5 mm interval) of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

High numerical PS between cod and pollock were observed at stations C and E, and in volume at stations A and C. The high PS in volume was caused by <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> at station A, and adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. at station C. Cyclopoid copepods accounted for the high PS in number at station E (Fig. 12).

The PS between stations is lower in cod than in pollock (Table 12). The PS between the same fish species from different stations was lower than that between the different species from the same stations.



Fig. 12. The Proportional Similarity of food (number and volume) between juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock at five designated stations.

- Table 12. The Proportional Similarity of food in number and volume between five designated sampling stations in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.
- A) Pacific cod

|   |      | PS by number |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|------|--------------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
|   | A    | В            | С    | D    | E    |  |  |  |  |  |
| A |      | 0.02         | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 |  |  |  |  |  |
| В | 0    |              | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.06 |  |  |  |  |  |
| с | 0    | 0.03         |      | 0.07 | 0.06 |  |  |  |  |  |
| D | 0    | 0.14         | 0.08 |      | 0.41 |  |  |  |  |  |
| E | 0.02 | 0.34         | 0.08 | 0.36 |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |      |              |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |

PS by volume

# B) Walleye pollock

|   |      |      | PS by n | umber |      |
|---|------|------|---------|-------|------|
|   | Α    | В    | С       | D     | E    |
| A |      | 0.14 | 0.07    | 0.09  | 0.20 |
| В | 0.03 |      | 0.10    | 0.08  | 0.10 |
| С | 0.06 | 0.07 |         | 0.59  | 0.08 |
| D | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.73    |       | 0.53 |
| Ε | 0.33 | 0.28 | 0.13    | 0.21  |      |
|   |      |      |         |       |      |

PS by volume

Regional Characteristics in Food Habits

The prey composition for the 5 sampling stations are shown in Fig. 13 and 14. The occurrence of prey organisms varied by station and by fish species, suggesting the differences in the feeding behavior and the surrounding planktonic communities (Tables A-21 and A-22). <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> and <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u> were predominant at station A, fish larvae and <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> at station B, <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. and cyclopoid copepods at stations C and D, and euphausiids, amphipods and <u>Metridia</u> sp. at station E. There were some nearshore community organisms such as <u>C</u>. <u>abdominalis</u> and <u>T</u>. <u>discaudatus</u> at stations C and D, and simple at stations A and B.

At station A, the prey composition in cod was simple. The major prey organisms at station A were <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> (100%), harpacticoid copepods (54.2%), and <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u> (35.4%) by frequency of occurrence. Similarly <u>C. plumchrus</u> (65.8%) was abundant in number, followed by harpacticoid copepods (19.6%) and <u>C. cristatus</u> (3.6%). In volume, <u>C. plumchrus</u> (73.6%) and <u>C. cristatus</u> (20.2%) constituted about 94%.

The prey composition in pollock at station A were similar to that of cod. In frequency of occurrence,  $\underline{C}$ . plumchrus (78.7%) was very common, followed by adult



Fig. 13A. Percent frequency of occurrence, percent number and precent volume of the food of juvenile Pacific cod from five sampling stations (St.). Pery are numbered in order of increasing size.

1:eggs(dia. 0.11mm),2:eggs(dia. 0.20mm),3:eggs(dia. 0.36mm),4:copepod nauplii,5:cyclopoid copepods,6:Limacina helicina,7:Balanus sp.,8:Pseudocalanus copepodite,9:Acartia longiremis,10: adult Pseudocalanus sp.,11:harpacticoid copepods,12:A.tumida,13:Calanus abdominalis,14:Tortanus discaudatus,15:Metridia sp.,16:C. marshallae,17:C. plumchrus,18:crab zoea and megalopa,19:amphipods,20:euphausiid furcilia, 21:Eucalanus bungii bungii,22:C. cristatus,23:appendicularians, 24:euphausiids(adult and sub-adult),25:chaetognaths,26:shrimp,27:fish larvae.



Fig. 13B. Percent frequency of occurrence, precent number and percent volume of the food of juvenile walleye pollock from five sampling stations (St.). See Fig. 13A for denotation of prey organisms.

<u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (23.4%), cyclopoid copepods (19.1%), <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u> (10.6%), and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite (8.5%). In number, cyclopoid copepods (44.7%) ranked first, followed by <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> (31.5%), adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (9.7%), and <u>A</u>. <u>longiremis</u> (7.9%). In volume, <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> (79.3%) and <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u> (12.9%) were dominant, followed by chaetognaths (2.5%).

For both fish species, <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> was the dominant prey organism. Cod had a relatively large fraction of <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u> and harpacticoid copepods, while cyclopoid copepods and adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. occupied a large fraction in pollock.

The food of cod at station B was also characterized by the simple prey composition. Fish larvae (65.2%) were the most common, followed by euphausiids (adult and juvenile) (30.4%), <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> (21.7%), euphausiid furcilia (21.7%), and crab zoea & megalopa (13.0%) by frequency of occurrence. Similarly, the numerical composition indicated the dominance of fish larvae (32.7%), euphausiids (adult and juvenile) (14.3%), euphausiid furcilia (12.2%), and <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> (10.2%). In addition, crab zoea and megalopa also showed a substantial fraction (24.5%). In volume, fish larvae (60.1%) and euphausiids (adult and juvenile) (34.5%) composed almost 95%.

Crab zoea and megalopa were 3.9% in volume.

Unlike cod, the prey composition in pollock were complicated at station B. The fraction of fish larvae was relatively small , while that of megazooplankton was large. In frequency occurrence, <u>C. marshallae</u> (83.3%) was the most common, followed by euphausiid furcilia (60.0%), adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (53.3%), chaetognaths (30.0%), and adult and juvenile euphausiids (30.0%). In number, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (32.2%), euphausiid furcilia (27.1%) and <u>C. marshallae</u> (24.8%) were abundant. In volume, chaetognaths (39.3%), fish larvae (24.8%), <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> (17.4%), and adult and juvenile euphausiids (11.4%).

At station C, the prey compositions were considerably diverse both in cod and pollock. <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (adult and copepodite) and calanoid eggs (diameter 0.11 mm) were very common in both fish species.

The prey composition in cod at station C is characterized by the predominance of adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. and <u>A. longiremis</u>. In frequency of occurrence, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (94.1%), <u>A. longiremis</u> (64.7%), cyclopoid copepods (56.8%), and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite (52.9%) were the common species. In number, adult Pseudocalanus sp. (47.0%), Pseudocalanus copepodite

(35.9%) and <u>A</u>. <u>longiremis</u> (11.0%) were the major components. Cyclopoid copepods (2.0%) and <u>E</u>. <u>bungii</u> <u>bungii</u> (1.5%) were the minor components. In volume, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (41.9%) and <u>E</u>. <u>bungii</u> <u>bungii</u> (27.3%) occupied 69%. <u>A</u>. <u>longiremis</u> (9.8%), adult and juvenile euphausiids (6.5%), and <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> (5.1%) showed also a minor fraction.

The food of pollock at station C was composed of mostly <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. and <u>E. bungii bungii</u>. Adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (100%), <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite (96.7%) and <u>E. bungii bungii</u> (93.3%) were found in most of the fish. Cyclopoid copepods occurred in more than half of the fish (53.3%). In number, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (53.9%) and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite (31.0%) were predominant, accompanied by <u>E. bungii bungii</u> (9.3%) and cyclopoid copepods (2.5%) as subordinate components. In volume, 85% of the food was composed of <u>E. bungii bungii</u> (64.3%) and adult Pseudocalanus sp. (21.8%).

At station D, the food of cod consisted of a variety of prey organisms. Those five prey species as <u>L</u>. <u>helicina</u> (55.8%), cyclopoid copepods (48.8%) <u>Balanus</u> sp. (41.9%), adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (37.2%), and crab zoea & megalopa (34.9%) were commonly found to occur. However, <u>L. helicina</u> (64.7%) and cyclopoid copepods (19.2%) were numerically abundant, whereas crab zoea and megalopa

(3.9%), amphipods (3.5%), and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite (2.3%) were fewer. However, despite the insignificance in number, shrimp (48.7%), crab zoea & megalopa (15.8%), amphipods (15.1%), and adult and juvenile euphausiids (14.6%) were the substantial components by volume. <u>L</u>. <u>helicina</u> occupied only 3.9% of the volume despite its high frequency and number.

The food of pollock at station D is characterised by the dominance of cyclopoid copepods and Pseudocalanus sp. In frequency of occurrence, cyclopoid copepods (98.3%), adult Pseudocalanus sp. (93.3%), Pseudocalanus copepodite (91.7%), appendicularians (86.7%), and eggs (93.3%), (diameter 0.11, 86.7%) were common prey species. In number, cyclopoid copepods (45.7%), adult Pseudocalanus sp. (29.9%) and Pseudocalanus copepodite (11.3%) were abundant. E. bungii bungii were relatively numerous (8.1%). In volume, E. bungii bungii (64.0%) were predominant, followed by adult Pseudocalanus sp. (11.1%). C. plumchrus (3.6%), chaetognaths (3.1%) and euphausiids (adult and juvenile) (2.7%) did not occupy a substantial fraction in volume. Although the number and volume of appendicularians seemed to be substantial at this station, the quantification was not possible due to partial digestion.

At station E, the food of cod was characterized by the common occurrence of amphipods (66.7%) and <u>Metridia</u> sp. (46.7%). Subordinately, <u>L</u>. <u>helicina</u> (26.7%), adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (20.0%), and crab zoea & megalopa (20.0%) were also taken. Unlikely, the numerical occurrence showed that cyclopoid copepods (72.8%) were very abundant, followed by <u>L</u>. <u>helicina</u> (12.0%), amphipods (5.8%) and crab zoea & megalopa (2.3%). In contrast to the high occurrence, <u>Metridia</u> sp. showed only 1.7% in number. It is noticeable that fish larvae (47.8%) ranked first in volume. Amphipods (27.3%) and crab zoea & megalopa (16.5%) occupied a considerable volume. Euphausiids (adult and juvenile) (4.2%) and <u>Metridia</u> sp. (1.6%) were less than 6% in volume.

The food of pollock at station E is characterized by the common occurrence of euphausiids and <u>Metridia</u> sp. In frequency of occurrence, adult and juvenile euphausiids (57.5%), <u>Metridia</u> sp. (45.0%), cyclopoid copepods (30.0%), and adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (27.5%) were the most common prey species. In number, cyclopoid copepods (81.8%) were exclusively abundant with a minor portion of <u>Metridia</u> sp. (3.4%), adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (3.3%), <u>A</u>. longiremis (3.2%) and copepod nauplii (2.5%).

In volume, euphausiids (adult and juvenile) (28.8%), <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u> (19.5%) and <u>C. plumchrus</u> (15.2%) were important.

Feeding index fluctuated from station to station (Table 13). Feeding index was large at stations B and C in cod, at stations C and D in pollock. In both fish species, the feeding index was small at station E. The feeding index in cod was statistically different at the 5% level between stations A and E, between B and D, and between B and E. The feeding index in pollock was significantly different among all the stations except between stations A and E. The feeding index was significantly different between cod and pollock at all stations except station C.

The IRI rank of prey was different from station to station (Table 14). In cod, <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> and harpacticoid copepods were the important top two at station A. At station B, fish larvae and euphausiids (adult and juvenile) were important. Small prey such as <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp., <u>L</u>. <u>helicina</u>, <u>A</u>. <u>longiremis</u>, and cyclopoid copepods were important at stations C and D. Amphipods were important at station E.

In pollock, <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u> and cyclopoid copepods were important at station A. At station B, <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> and euphausiid furcilid were important.

| Station | tion Fish species |                                       | No. of Body length |      | Condit | ion factor | Feeding index |       |
|---------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------|--------|------------|---------------|-------|
|         |                   | fish                                  | Mean               | SD   | Mean   | SD         | Mean          | SD    |
|         |                   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | (mm                | )    |        |            |               |       |
| А       | Cod               | 48                                    | 41.5               | 4.7  | 7.77   | 0.67       | 2.67          | 1.17  |
|         | Pollock           | 47                                    | 39.8               | 8.4  | 6.33   | 0.79       | 1.91          | 0.99  |
| B       | Cod               | 23                                    | 51.2               | 4.5  | 7.37   | 0.92       | 4.37          | 3.81  |
|         | Pollock           | 30                                    | 41.7               | 4.3  | 5.22   | 0.49       | 2.73          | 2.02  |
| C       | Cod               | 17                                    | 34.8               | 5.6  | 6.86   | 0.51       | 3.32          | 1.82  |
|         | Pollock           | 30                                    | 40.8               | 6.9  | 5.87   | 0.34       | 3.57          | 1.25  |
| D       | Cod               | 43                                    | 41.2               | 6.8  | 6.76   | 0.51       | 2.46          | 1.89  |
|         | Pollock           | 60                                    | 46.1               | 8.8  | 6.16   | 0.39       | 4.19          | 1.75  |
| Е       | Cod               | 15                                    | 42.1               | 12.6 | 6.63   | 0.91       | 2.52          | 1.38  |
|         | Pollock           | 40                                    | 44.2               | 7.8  | 5.24   | 0.46       | 1.73*         | 1.65  |
| Total   | Cod               | <b>14</b> 6                           | 42.4               | 7.8  | 7.19   | 0.79       | 2.94          | 2.16  |
|         | Pollock           | 207                                   | 42.9               | 8.1  | 5.84   | 0.70       | 2.92*         | 1.86* |

Table 13. Condition Factor and Feeding Index of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock at five designated sampling stations. N is the sample size and SD is one standard deviation.

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\* : Three empty stomachs were excluded from the calculation.

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- Table 14. Index of Relative Importance rank of major prey organisms in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock at five designated sampling stations.
  - a) Pacific cod

| Prey species   |                       | 5                | Statio      | n                     |                        |
|--|-----------------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| ь.   | Α                     | В                | С           | D                     | E                      |
| Calanoida  |                       |                  |             |                       |                        |
| C. cristatus<br>C. marshallae<br>C. plumchrus<br>E. bungii bungii                        | 3<br>-<br>1<br>10     | -<br>4<br>7<br>- | -<br>7<br>4 | -<br>-<br>-           | -<br>-<br>-            |
| adult<br>copepodite<br>C. abdominalis<br>Metridia sp.<br>A. longiremis<br>E. amphitrites | 6<br>7<br>-<br>-<br>8 |                  | 1<br>       | 7<br>9<br>-<br>-<br>- | 10<br>-<br>6<br>9<br>- |
| Cyclopoid copepods<br>Oithona sp. and Oncaea sp.   | -                     | -                | 5           | 2                     | 2                      |
| Harpacticoid copepods  | 2                     | -                | 3           | 10                    | -                      |
| Amphipods  | 5                     | 6                | -           | 4                     | 1                      |
| Eupha <b>usiids</b><br>adult and juvenile<br>furcilia                                    | 9                     | 2<br>5           | 6<br>-      | 6<br>-                | 8<br>-                 |
| Balanus sp.  | -                     | -                | -           | 8                     | -                      |
| Shrimp   | -                     | -                | -           | 5                     | -                      |
| Crab zoea and megalopa   | -                     | 3                | -           | 3                     | 4                      |
| <b>Pteropoda</b><br>Limacina helicina  | -                     | -                | 10          | 1                     | 5                      |
| Fish larvae  | -                     | 1                | -           | -                     | 3                      |

# Table 14. continued.

b) Walleye pollock

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| Prey species   |                       |                  | Statio                 | n                      |                  |
|--|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
|  | A                     | В                | С                      | D                      | E                |
| Chaetognaths<br>Calanoida  | 10                    | 4                |                        | 9                      | -                |
| C. cristatus<br>C. marshallae<br>C. plumchrus<br>E. bungii bungii<br>Pseudocalanus sp. | 4<br>-<br>1<br>9      | 1                | -<br>8<br>2            | -<br>6<br>1            | 5<br>7<br>4<br>9 |
| adult<br>copepodite<br>Metridia sp.<br>A. longiremis<br>A. tumida                      | 3<br>8<br>-<br>5<br>- | 3<br>7<br>-<br>9 | 1<br>3<br>10<br>-<br>5 | 3<br>4<br>-<br>10<br>- | 6<br>-<br>8<br>- |
| Cyclopoid copepods<br>Oithona sp. and Oncaea sp.                                       | 2                     | 8                | 4                      | 2                      | 1                |
| Harpacticoid copepods  | 7                     | -                | -                      | -                      | -                |
| Amphipods  | -                     | 10               | -                      | -                      | 10               |
| Euphausiids<br>adult and juvenile<br>furcilia  | -<br>-                | 5<br>2           | 7<br>                  | 7                      | 2                |
| Balanus sp.  | -                     | -                | 6                      | -                      | -                |
| Pteropoda<br>Limacina helicina   | -                     | -                | -                      | 8                      | -                |
| Fish larvae  | -                     | 6                | -                      | -                      | -                |
<u>E. bungii bungii</u> and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. were important both at stations C and D. Cyclopoid copepods and euphausiids (adult and juvenile) were important at station E.

## CHAPTER 4

# DISCUSSION

There were distinct differences in the structure and the development of gill rakers in Pacific cod and walleye pollock. There were relatively few gill rakers in cod and the gill rakers were short and stout with wide intervals. In contrast, gill rakers of pollock were relatively numerous, long and thin with narrow intervals. The increase of the number of gill rakers with fish size is quite remarkable in pollock. The narrow gill raker spacing in pollock was largely attributed to the increase in gill raker number with the growth of the fish. In cod, the gill raker number did not increase with fish size, resulting in the pronounced wide interval. Okada and Kobayashi (1968) reported the gill raker number to be 19-21 in adult cod, and 34-40 in adult pollock. Similarly, Yoshida (1984) reported that adult pollock had 34-45 gill rakers and the interval was 1.5-2.0 mm in 40 cm long fish. These observations were similar to those observed in juveniles in the present study (16-24 in cod, 26-40 in pollock).

The numerous, long and closely-spaced gill rakers in pollock are advantageous in preventing the escape of small prey organisms more effectively than the few, short

and widely-spaced gill rakers in cod. This advantage in pollock is supported by the evidence that relatively numerous and small prey organisms, particularly calanoid eggs and cyclopoid copepods (<u>Oithona</u> sp. and <u>Oncaea</u> sp.), were found in the stomachs of the pollock.

Stomach size is generally large in fish which feed on large prey (Nikolsky, 1963) because not only does such a fish need the capacity for the large prey volume, but also it has to kill the prey in the stomach. In this study, the stomach tissue weight was measured instead of stomach volume, assuming that the stomach size is proportional to the stomach tissue weight. The data demonstrate clearly that the stomach tissue of cod is heavier than that of pollock, when same size range of fish is compared. Therefore, I think that cod have more expandable and/or thicker stomachs than pollock. Such a heavy stomach enables cod to take large prey more effectively than pollock. This is reflected in food organisms present; pollock stomachs contained numerous and small prey organisms while those of cod contained few larger ones. Also the mean weight of prey organisms remained nearly constant in pollock over the fish size range while it increased steadily as cod became larger. These facts support Nikolsky's statement.

In examining the gut contents of juvenile pollock from Uchiura Bay, Hokkaido, Kamba (1977) found that the maximum size of prey organisms was nearly the same among the juvenile pollock of 30-70 mm in length, but it increased suddenly in the 70-80 mm long fish. Cooney et al. (1980) confirmed in pollock from the eastern Bering Sea that there was a distinct difference in the food composition between 20-60 mm long fish (mainly Pseudocalanus sp.) and 60-100 mm long fish (large calanoid copepods). These observations suggest that in pollock, regardless of geographical difference, a critical length exists around 60-80 mm at which the size of prey organisms changes sharply. The change in food habit was indistinct in pollock of 15-70 mm TL in the present study. On the contrary, a remarkable change of prey weight was observed to occur in cod at 40.0-44.9 mm TL (Fig. 8). The change of food was also indicated by the low values of the PS-length difference of fish (Fig. 11). Therefore, this size range can be regarded as the critical length of food change in cod. Cod begin to take large prey, including fish larvae, when the fish reach 40 mm TL. This size range corresponds with the time when cod turn from planktivorous feeding to piscivorous feeding. Consequently, at approximately half the size that pollock do, cod begin to change their food resources.

As the planktivorous feeding in pollock up to 70 mm in length can be explained by the increased number and narrow interval of gill rakers, the change in feeding habit around 40 mm TL in cod can be explained by the structure of widening gill raker intervals. Moreover, it is noteworthy that the significant condition factor increase coincides with the change of feeding habit in cod, compared with the insignificant change of condition factor and the feeding habit in pollock.

From the results observed, it is surmised that in nature competition for food will occur in different ways depending upon the combination of different size ranges between cod and pollock. The feeding intensity on adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. (0.60-1.30 mm in length) exemplifies the feeding relationship between cod and pollock. Although adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. were taken commonly by cod and pollock, the predation by cod decreased sharply when cod reached 30.0-34.9 mm TL. Contrarily, the predation on adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. was intensified by pollock after 30.0-34.9 mm TL. Similar trends were apparent for cyclopoid copepods and <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodites.

From these results, it is concluded that the competition will be weak between cod and pollock of the same size range.

However, the intensity of competition for food differs for fishes of different size ranges. A strong competition for food will occur between cod and pollock when the fishes are smaller than 40.0 mm TL, because these fishes share common prey organisms. When both fish species are larger than 40.0 mm TL, there will be a moderate competition for food because pollock tend to take small prey organisms while cod take larger ones. The food competition will be also moderate when large pollock and small cod coexist. The competition will be the weakest between large cod and small pollock; however, there will be predation pressure of large cod on pollock larvae.

Food weight of cod was heavier than that of pollock when the fishes of the same length were compared. However, when the fishes of the same weight were compared, there was no significant difference in the food weight. Thus, the results lead to the conclusion that cod and pollock are capable of taking the same amount of food relative to the body weight, which will result in the same growth rate in terms of weight, if the energy values of food and assimilation rate of the two fish species are the same. Therefore, it is likely that cod are older than pollock when they have the same length. Walline (1983) reported that the growth of larval cod was slower than

that of pollock in terms of length.

The differences in regional food habits indicate the prey compositions and the prey size vary considerably from station to station. It is likely that the variability in prey composition and prey size reflects the differences in planktonic communities in the different areas.

The eastern Bering Sea is a relatively unique ocean area: 1) it has a wide continental shelf area, 2) it is partly isolated from the North Pacific by the Aleutian Ridge, 3) sea ice covers most of the continental shelf from mid-December to March (Favorite et al., 1976), 4) the freshwater discharges from rivers are enormous, 5) the mean flow over the outer shelf is sluggish (1 cm/second) and parallels the bathymetry in a slow, northward drift, 6) and the predominant sources of mixing energy over the shelf are only wind and tidal energy. As a result, the differences of the mixing energy across the shelf lead to frontal formations. These fronts divide the area into four regions: the oceanic domain, the outer shelf domain, the inner shelf domain, and the coastal domain (Kinder and Schumacher, 1981). Because of the absence of the advective flow across the shelf, the seasonally abundant zooplankton are unable to move across the fronts.

Cooney (1981) defined three distinct planktonic communities in the eastern Bering Sea: oceanic outershelf community, coastal and middle shelf community, and nearshore community. Each is represented by typical component zooplankters.

At stations A and B, the prey composition was simple. The common and dominant occurrence of <u>C</u>. <u>plumchrus</u>, <u>C</u>. <u>cristatus</u>, and adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. in both fish species exhibits the characteristics of the oceanic outershelf community. At station B, where fish larvae and euphausiids dominate cod prey, and euphausiids, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. and <u>C</u>. <u>marshallae</u> dominate in pollock. The food organisms then reflect the characteristics of the coastal and middle shelf community in which the fishes were sampled.

At stations C, D and E, the prey compositions were diverse showing the traits of the mixed community (Motoda and Minoda, 1974; Cooney, 1981) between the oceanic outershelf community and the coastal and middle shelf community. At stations C and D, <u>E</u>. <u>bungii</u> <u>bungii</u>, adult <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp., <u>Pseudocalanus</u> copepodite, cyclopoid copepods and calanoid eggs were the common and abundant prey species. At station E, amphipods, cyclopoid copepods and <u>Metridia</u> sp. prevailed as prey in both fishes.

Consequently, the species-selective predation by the fish species is unlikely, despite the size-selective preference associated with the structure of the gill rakers. The results lead to the conclusion that cod and pollock are basically opportunistic in their feeding behavior, although food availability and the prey size seem to be the major limiting factors in determining the actual acquisition of food. The opportunistic feeding behavior is also substantiated by the fact that the proportional similarity (PS) between cod and pollock is higher at the same station than that between the same fish species at different stations.

# CHAPTER 5

## SUMMARY

- 1. The food and feeding habit of juveniles of Pacific cod and Walleye pollock were studied in relation to some morphological differences between the two species. Samples were collected in the southeast Bering Sea in 1981 through 1983. Examination of stomach contents was done for 195 cod and 305 pollock. The body length ranged between 24.6 mm TL and 73.7 mm TL in cod, and between 19.5 mm TL and 68.4 mm TL in pollock.
- 2. The length-weight relationship was established as W=3.627xTL3.182 in cod, and W=3.914xTL3.107 in pollock.
- 3. The caudal fin was longer in cod than in pollock until they reached 40.2 mm SL, and afterwards pollock<sup>o</sup>s caudal fin exceeded that of cod. As the fish grew, the bifurcation of caudal fin became distinct in pollock.
- 4. The condition factor ranged between 3.56 and 9.07 with a mean of 6.97 (one standard deviation=0.86) in cod, and between 3.10 and 7.30 with a mean of 5.73 (one standard deviation=0.66) in pollock. The condition factor did not increase with growth in

pollock over the size range examined, but increased significantly in cod at the 30.0-44.9 mm TL range.

- 5. The mean stomach tissue weight was 2.52% of the body weight in cod, and 2.00% in pollock. The difference between the two species was statistically significant (P§0.001).
- 6. Cod had short and stout gill rakers while pollock had long and fine ones. The interval of gill rakers was wide in cod (0.14-0.43 mm), but narrow in pollock (0.09-0.24 mm). The number of gill rakers did not increase remarkably with growth in cod (19 gill rakers in 20 mm TL fish and 21 gill rakers in 70 mm TL fish), but increased by 10 in pollock as the fishes grew from 20 mm to 70 mm TL (28- 38 gill rakers).
- 7. The size of prey varied from 0.11 mm TL in copepod eggs to 25.0 mm TL in fish larvae. The percentage of the food weight per body weight remained the same between the fish species. As the fishes grew, pollock took numerous small prey organisms while cod took voluminous prey organisms in fewer numbers. As a result, the mean weight of prey organisms did not increase greatly in pollock, but it increased abruptly at 40-50 mm TL in cod.

- 8. The food weight fell within the range of 10 mg in wet weight. The food weight was greater in cod than in pollock when fishes of the same length were compared, but it was the same when fishes of same weight were compared. Hence, the feeding indices were the same in cod and pollock.
- 9. The prey composition differed from station to station reflecting the planktonic communities of the surrounding water. The prey composition was diverse in the boundary area between different planktonic communities, and homogeneous in the areas where typical component plankters of a community prevail. The feeding index and condition factor also differed among stations. The PS (proportional similarity) of food between cod and pollock at the same sampling station was higher than that between the same fish species among different stations.
- 10. <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. was the most important prey organism in IRI (index of relative importance) rank for the overall samples of cod and pollock. However, <u>Pseudocalanus</u> sp. was the most important until 34.9 mm TL in cod, and its importance continued until 65.0 mm TL in pollock.

- 11. The PS of food between cod and pollock decreased as the fishes grew. The mean PS by number over all the size was 0.45, and was 0.37 by volume. The PS by number decreased from 0.55 at 15.0-29.9 mm TL to 0.04 at 55.0-74.9 mm TL. The PS by volume declined from 0.42 at 15.0-29.9 mm TL to 0.19 at 55.0-74.9 mm TL. The PS between cod and pollock was high at stations A and C, and was low at stations B, D and E.
- 12. Cod had less common food between different size groups than pollock did. The PS between different size groups remained constant in pollock regardless of length difference, but it decreased in cod. It is concluded that food change with growth is faster in cod than in pollock. The critical size of prey change occurred at 40.0-50.0 mm TL in cod, where cod start to prey on fish larvae.
- 13. There is a potential of strong food competition between cod and pollock when the fishes are smaller than 40 mm TL. When both fish species are larger than 40 mm TL, there will be weak food competition.

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APPENDIX

| Length Pacific cod |    |               |       | Ţ  | Walleye pollock |       |  |  |
|--------------------|----|---------------|-------|----|-----------------|-------|--|--|
| (mm)               | N  | Mean          | SD    | N  | Mean            | SD    |  |  |
| 15.0 - 19.9        | _  |               | _     | 2  | 43.5            | 3.5   |  |  |
| 20.0 - 24.9        | 1  | 110.0         | -     | 9  | 67.7            | 22.1  |  |  |
| 25.0 - 29.9        | 11 | 154.5         | 24.6  | 10 | 119.9           | 26.9  |  |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9        | 31 | 242.4         | 47.7  | 24 | 204.9           | 39.9  |  |  |
| 35.0 - 39.9        | 39 | 350.9         | 58.7  | 64 | 318.8           | 47.0  |  |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9        | 50 | 56 <b>0.9</b> | 98.4  | 79 | 452.0           | 64.6  |  |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9        | 30 | 802.5         | 135.9 | 62 | 627.2           | 93.4  |  |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9        | 23 | 1039.5        | 111.3 | 34 | 839.2           | 111.7 |  |  |
| 55.0 - 59.9        | 8  | 1447.1        | 251.9 | 13 | 1155.1          | 144.5 |  |  |
| 60.0 - 64.9        | 1  | 1803.0        | -     | 7  | 1628.6          | 198.3 |  |  |
| 65.0 - 69.9        | -  | -             | -     | 1  | 1909.0          | -     |  |  |
| 70.0 - 74.9        | 1  | 3270.0        | -     | -  | -               | _     |  |  |

Table A-1. Wet body weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock in mg.

N : sample size.

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SD : one standard deviation.

| Length      | Pacific c       | fic cod Walle |       |    | ye pollock |       |  |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-------|----|------------|-------|--|
| ( mm )      | N               | Mean          | SD    | N  | Mean       | SD    |  |
| 15.0 - 19.9 | ) –             |               | -     | 2  | 42.8       | 3.2   |  |
| 20.0 - 24.9 | ə 1             | 105.7         | -     | 9  | 65.4       | 22.2  |  |
| 25.0 - 29.9 | ə 11            | 151.2         | 24.0  | 10 | 117.0      | 24.2  |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9 | <del>)</del> 31 | 236.6         | 45.8  | 24 | 199.9      | 38.1  |  |
| 35.0 - 39.9 | 39              | 342.2         | 56.3  | 64 | 310.2      | 46.4  |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9 | <del>)</del> 50 | 547.0         | 94.4  | 79 | 440.9      | 61.4  |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9 | <del>)</del> 30 | 780.1         | 130.1 | 62 | 609.8      | 89.0  |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9 | 23              | 999.7         | 107.9 | 34 | 816.5      | 104.3 |  |
| 55.0 - 59.9 | 8               | 1400.6        | 236.6 | 13 | 1122.8     | 135.0 |  |
| 60.0 - 64.9 | ) 1             | 1745.0        | -     | 7  | 1577.0     | 206.1 |  |
| 65.0 - 69.9 | ) –             | -             |       | 1  | 1881.5     | -     |  |
| 70.0 - 74.9 | ) 1             | 3102.0        | -     | -  | -          |       |  |

Table A-2. Wet net body weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock in mg.

Wet net body weight=wet body weight-wet food weight.

N : sample size.

SD : one standard deviation.

Table A-3. Measurement of caudal fin in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock; standard length (SL), fork length (FL), and total length (TL).

a) Pacific cod

| Fish size   |      | Measurement (mm) |       |       |       |  |  |
|-------------|------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| (TL, mm)    | Ν    | SL               | TL-SL | TL-FL | FL-SL |  |  |
| 20.0 - 29.9 | 9 26 | 26.86            | 2.87  | 0.54  | 2.33  |  |  |
| 30.0 - 39.9 | 9 78 | 34.23            | 3.56  | 0.67  | 2.89  |  |  |
| 40.0 - 49.9 | 9 51 | 44.55            | 4.35  | 0.73  | 3.62  |  |  |
| 50.0 - 59.9 | 99   | 53.03            | 5.07  | 0.85  | 4.22  |  |  |
| 60.0 - 69.9 | 91   | 67.50            | 6.20  | 0.80  | 5.40  |  |  |

b) Walleye pollock

| Fish s | ize  | Measurement (mm) |       |       |       |       |  |  |  |
|--------|------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|--|
| (TL, 1 | mm)  | N                | SL    | TL-SL | TL-FL | FL-SL |  |  |  |
|        |      |                  | 10.00 |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| 10.0 - | 19.9 | 1                | 19.00 | 1.70  | 0.20  | 1.50  |  |  |  |
| 20.0 - | 29.9 | 26               | 25.04 | 2.54  | 0.46  | 2.08  |  |  |  |
| 30.0 - | 39.9 | 128              | 35.48 | 3.63  | 0.74  | 2.89  |  |  |  |
| 40.0 - | 49.9 | 94               | 44.01 | 4.39  | 0.87  | 3.52  |  |  |  |
| 50.0 - | 59.9 | 21               | 53.95 | 5.10  | 0.93  | 4.17  |  |  |  |
| 60.0 - | 69.9 | 1                | 62.80 | 5.60  | 1.00  | 4.60  |  |  |  |

N: sample size

| Fish length | Р  | acific c | od   | Walleye pollock |      |      |  |
|-------------|----|----------|------|-----------------|------|------|--|
| TL, mm      | N  | Mean     | SD   | N               | Mean | SD   |  |
| 15.0 - 29.9 | _  | -        | _    | 2               | 5.64 | 0.23 |  |
| 20.0 -24.9  | 1  | 7.39     | -    | 9               | 5.04 | 1.19 |  |
| 25.0 - 29.9 | 11 | 6.77     | 0.57 | 10              | 5.85 | 0.76 |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9 | 31 | 6.62     | 0.74 | 24              | 5.50 | 0.60 |  |
| 35.0 -39.9  | 39 | 6.68     | 0.75 | 64              | 5.74 | 0.74 |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9 | 50 | 7.14     | 0.97 | 79              | 5.72 | 0.62 |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9 | 30 | 7.16     | 0.94 | 62              | 5.82 | 0.59 |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9 | 23 | 7.26     | 0.79 | 34              | 5.62 | 0.50 |  |
| 55.0 - 59.9 | 8  | 7.32     | 0.78 | 13              | 5.93 | 0.59 |  |
| 60.0 - 64.9 | 1  | 7.18     | -    | 7               | 6.34 | 0.55 |  |
| 65.0 - 69.9 | -  | -        | -    | 1               | 5.97 | -    |  |
| 70.0 - 74.9 | 1  | 8.17     | -    | _               | -    | -    |  |

Table A-4. Condition Factor of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

N : sample size.

SD : one standard deviation.

|            | Pacifi         | c cod          |             | Walleye pollock |                |                |               |              |  |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Size range | Sample<br>size | Mean<br>length | STW<br>Mean | SD              | Sample<br>size | Mean<br>length | STW<br>Mean   | SD           |  |
| 15.0-19.9  |                |                |             |                 | 2              | 19.7           | 0.92          | 0.31         |  |
| 20.0-24.9  | 1              | 24.6           | 2.42        | -               | 9              | 23.3           | 0.89          | 0.34         |  |
| 25.0-29.9  | 11             | 28.1           | 2.33        | 0.3 <b>9</b>    | 10             | 27.1           | 1.65          | 0.83         |  |
| 30.0-34.9  | 31             | 32.8           | 4.36        | 1.28            | 24             | 33.0           | 2.82          | 1.04         |  |
| 35.0-39.9  | 39             | 37.1           | 6.52        | 1.81            | 64             | 37.8           | 4.91          | 1.24         |  |
| 40.0-44.9  | 50             | 42.2           | 12.60       | 5.05            | 79             | 42.5           | 7 <b>.0</b> 6 | 1.99         |  |
| 45.0-49.9  | 30             | 47.7           | 16.25       | 5.93            | 62             | 47.0           | 9.89          | 3.04         |  |
| 50.0-54.9  | 23             | 51.7           | 19.82       | 5.22            | 34             | 52.5           | 12.30         | 3.97         |  |
| 55.0-59.9  | 8              | 57.5           | 24.01       | 8.94            | 13             | 57.4           | 17.10         | 4.68         |  |
| 60.0-64.9  | 1              | 63.1           | 34.47       | -               | 7              | 62.8           | 20.63         | 3 <b>.79</b> |  |
| 65.0-69.9  | -              | -              | -           | -               | 1              | 68.4           | 20.07         | _            |  |
| 70.0-74.9  | 1              | 73.7           | 54.60       | -               | -              | -              | -             | -            |  |

Table A-5. Stomach tissue weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock; body length vs. stomach tissue weight in mg.

STW: stomach tissue weight.

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SD : one standard deviation.

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| Pacific cod |   |         |       |           |       |              | Walleye pollock |         |       |      |  |
|-------------|---|---------|-------|-----------|-------|--------------|-----------------|---------|-------|------|--|
| Body        | W | eight   | Sampl | e Mean    | STW   | T            | Sampl           | e Mean  | STW   | STW  |  |
| rang        | е |         | size  | weight    | Mean  | SD           | size            | weight  | Mean  | SD   |  |
| 0           | _ | 99.99   | _     |           |       | -            | 14              | 68.61   | 0.99  | 0.47 |  |
| 100         | - | 199.99  | 21    | 160.26    | 2.76  | 0.60         | 19              | 151.69  | 2.12  | 0.72 |  |
| 200         | - | 299.99  | 32    | 266.26    | 5.05  | 1.50         | 39              | 257.62  | 4.05  | 1.07 |  |
| 300         | - | 399.99  | 23    | 344.38    | 6.20  | 1.29         | 58              | 350.75  | 5.38  | 1.08 |  |
| 400         | - | 499.99  | 23    | 447.09    | 8.99  | 2.66         | 52              | 450.69  | 7.28  | 1.69 |  |
| 500         | _ | 599.99  | 21    | 541.99    | 11.36 | 3.00         | 35              | 546.24  | 8.39  | 2.34 |  |
| 600         | - | 699.99  | 15    | 652.54    | 16.29 | <b>5.2</b> 3 | 28              | 647.62  | 10.75 | 2.75 |  |
| 700         | _ | 799.99  | 15    | 732.93    | 16.39 | 4.59         | 21              | 751.96  | 11.52 | 2.68 |  |
| 800         | - | 899.99  | 10    | 854.45    | 17.76 | 6.16         | 11              | 863.17  | 13.72 | 4.49 |  |
| 900         | - | 999.99  | 14    | 947.79    | 19.92 | 4.66         | 9               | 950.16  | 13.81 | 3.20 |  |
| 1000        | _ | 1199.99 | 12    | 1087.76   | 19.66 | 6.45         | 6               | 1071.47 | 16.32 | 1.18 |  |
| 1200        | _ | 1399.99 | 3     | 1324.40   | 25.62 | 3.43         | 7               | 1280.69 | 20.62 | 3.38 |  |
| 1400        | - | 1599.99 | 3     | 1523.07   | 28.81 | 6.21         | 2               | 1527.50 | 23.19 | 1.75 |  |
| 1600        | _ | 1799.99 | 2     | 1740.05   | 32.02 | 3.46         | 2               | 1753.30 | 17.91 | 5.00 |  |
| 1800        | - | 1999.99 |       | - / 10+0J | _     | -            | 2               | 1848.75 | 22.48 | 3.40 |  |
| 2000        | - |         | 1     | 3102.80   | 54.60 | -            | -               | _       | -     | -    |  |

| Table A-6. | Stomach tissue weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock; |
|------------|--|
|            | body weight vs. stomach tissue weight in mg.                       |

STW: stomach tissue weight.

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SD : one standard deviation.

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| Fish | Fish length, mm | <u> </u> | Gill ra | aker   |         |
|------|-----------------|----------|---------|--------|---------|
| No   | _               | Num      | ber     | Interv | val, mm |
| NO.  |                 | Left     | Right   | Left   | Right   |
| 1    | 24.6            | 17       | 16      | 0.14   | 0.16    |
| 2    | 26.2            | 17       | 20      | 0.19   | 0.19    |
| 3    | 28.3            | 20       | 20      | 0.21   | 0.21    |
| 4    | 28.6            | 21       | 21      | 0.16   | 0.17    |
| 5    | 28.8            | 20       | 19      | 0.14   | 0.19    |
| 6    | 29.0            | 19       | 19      | 0.16   | 0.19    |
| 7    | 31.5            | 17       | 18      | 0.17   | 0.19    |
| 8    | 32.7            | 17       | 22      | 0.19   | 0.19    |
| 9    | 32.7            | 19       | 20      | 0.19   | 0.20    |
| 10   | 33.0            | 22       | 19      | 0.19   | 0.20    |
| 11   | 33.1            | 22       | 21      | 0.19   | 0.19    |
| 12   | 36.1            | 18       | 19      | 0.23   | 0.23    |
| 13   | 36.5            | 22       | 21      | 0.19   | 0.21    |
| 14   | 38.2            | 19       | 21      | 0.21   | 0.23    |
| 15   | 38.2            | 22       | 20      | 0.20   | 0.20    |
| 16   | 38.7            | 22       | 21      | 0.20   | 0.23    |
| 17   | 39.0            | 20       | 20      | 0.21   | 0.21    |
| 18   | 39.5            | 20       | 20      | 0.20   | 0.20    |
| 19   | 40.0            | 22       | 20      | 0.21   | 0.23    |
| 20   | 41.0            | 23       | 21      | 0.20   | 0.20    |
| 21   | 41.5            | 22       | 21      | 0.24   | 0.20    |
| 22   | 47.2            | 20       | 19      | 0.26   | 0.27    |
| 23   | 47.2            | 24       | 21      | 0.21   | 0.26    |
| 24   | 48.4            | 22       | 19      | 0.24   | 0.27    |
| 25   | 48.4            | 22       | 21      | 0.26   | 0.26    |
| 26   | 48.6            | 24       | 21      | 0.23   | 0.29    |
| 27   | 48.9            | 22       | 22      | 0.27   | 0.30    |
| 28   | 49.2            | 21       | 21      | 0.29   | 0.29    |
| 29   | 50.0            | 20       | 21      | 0.24   | 0.34    |
| 30   | 50.9            | 22       | 21      | 0.31   | 0.31    |
| 31   | 54.0            | 21       | 19      | 0.29   | 0.30    |
| 32   | 54.4            | 21       | 20      | 0.31   | 0.33    |
| 33   | 56.5            | 18       | 18      | 0.29   | 0.30    |
| 34   | 57.0            | 20       | 20      | 0.34   | 0.36    |
| 35   | 58.0            | 20       | 20      | 0.37   | 0.33    |
| 36   | 58.8            | 21       | 20      | 0.31   | 0.31    |
| 37   | 59.0            | 23       | 21      | 0.29   | 0.34    |
| 38   | 59.5            | 22       | 22      | 0.39   | 0.37    |
| 39   | 63.1            | 21       | 21      | 0.40   | 0.44    |
| 40   | 73.7            | 21       | 20      | 0.43   | 0.43    |
| 40   | 73.7            | 21       | 20      | 0.43   | 0.43    |

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Table A-7. The interval and number of gill rakers in juvenile Pacific cod.

| Fish     | Fish length, mm | ength, mm Gill raker |       |       |         |  |
|----------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|-------|---------|--|
| No       |                 | Num                  | ber   | Inter | val, mm |  |
|          |                 | Left                 | Right | Left  | Right   |  |
| 1        | 24.0            | 27                   | 27    | 0.10  | 0.10    |  |
| 2        | 28.0            | 27                   | 31    | 0.10  | 0.09    |  |
| 3        | 30.1            | 26                   | 26    | 0.11  | 0.11    |  |
| 4        | 30.5            | 28                   | 29    | 0.11  | 0.13    |  |
| 5        | 31.2            | 34                   | 36    | 0.10  | 0.11    |  |
| 6        | 32.5            | 33                   | 33    | 0.11  | 0.11    |  |
| 7        | 32.8            | 33                   | 32    | 0.11  | 0.13    |  |
| 8        | 32.9            | 27                   | 31    | 0.10  | 0.10    |  |
| 9        | 33.2            | 28                   | 28    | 0.11  | 0.11    |  |
| 10       | 33.6            | 35                   | 35    | 0.13  | 0.13    |  |
| 11       | 34.6            | 33                   | 33    | 0.13  | 0.13    |  |
| 12       | 37.6            | 30                   | 31    | 0.13  | 0.13    |  |
| 13       | 38.8            | 32                   | 32    | 0.13  | 0.13    |  |
| 14       | 39.6            | 31                   | 31    | 0.17  | 0.14    |  |
| 15       | 39.7            | 29                   | 32    | 0.14  | 0.11    |  |
| 16       | 39.8            | 34                   | 34    | 0.17  | 0.14    |  |
| 17       | 41.5            | 31                   | 31    | 0.14  | 0.13    |  |
| 18       | 43.2            | 30                   | 32    | 0.16  | 0.16    |  |
| 19       | 43.7            | 32                   | 30    | 0.11  | 0.16    |  |
| 20       | 44.4            | 34                   | 32    | 0.17  | 0.19    |  |
| 21       | 44.9            | 37                   | 37    | 0.14  | 0.16    |  |
| 22       | 45.4            | 39                   | 35    | 0 16  | 0.17    |  |
| 23       | 45.8            | 35                   | 36    | 0 16  | 0.17    |  |
| 24       | 46 8            | 35                   | 37    | 0.16  | 0.16    |  |
| 25       | 49.0            | 36                   | 35    | 0.17  | 0 17    |  |
| 26       | 49.0            | 34                   | 36    | 0.16  | 0.19    |  |
| 27       | 50 0            | 35                   | 36    | 0.17  | 0.17    |  |
| 20       | 52 8            | 32                   | 34    | 0.20  | 0.21    |  |
| 20       | 52.5            | 37                   | 37    | 0.20  | 0.21    |  |
| 20       | 54 5            | 35                   | 22    | 0.20  | 0.20    |  |
| 21       | 56 7            | 35                   | 33    | 0,24  | 0.24    |  |
| 22       | 57 0            | 20                   | 26    | 0.23  | 0,21    |  |
| 22       | 57.0            | 27                   | 30    | 0.20  | 0.20    |  |
| 33       | 57.0            | 37                   | 30    | 0.17  | 0.17    |  |
| 34       | 57.2            | 34                   | 34    | 0.21  | 0.20    |  |
| 35       | 28.4            | 35                   | 35    | 0.23  | 0.21    |  |
| 30       | 28.8            | 34                   | 35    | 0.23  | 0.20    |  |
| 37       | 60.8            | 36                   | 35    | 0.21  | 0.20    |  |
| 38<br>20 | 60.9            | 38                   | 30    | 0.21  | 0.23    |  |
| 39       | 61.6            | 38                   | 37    | 0.23  | 0.23    |  |
| 40       | 64.6            | 40                   | 35    | 0.21  | 0.24    |  |
| 41       | 64.6            | 37                   | 38    | 0.24  | 0.23    |  |
| 42       | 68°4            | 38                   | 38    | 0.24  | 0.23    |  |

Table A-8. The interval and number of gill rakers in juvenile walleye pollock.

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| Prey               | FO | % FO | N   | % N  | V    | % V  | IRI |
|--------------------|----|------|-----|------|------|------|-----|
| Calanoida          |    |      |     |      |      |      |     |
| Pseudocalanus sp.  |    |      |     | ·    |      |      |     |
| adult              |    |      | 79  | 46.7 | 7.71 | 84.3 | 1   |
| copepodite         |    |      | 79  | 46.7 | 0.92 | 10.1 | 2   |
| A. longiremis      |    |      | 4   | 2.4  | 0.25 | 2.8  | 3   |
| Cyclopoid copepods |    |      | 6   | 3.6  | 0.06 | 0.6  | 4   |
| Euphausiids        |    |      |     |      |      |      |     |
| furcilia           |    |      | 1   | 0.6  | 0.20 | 2.2  | 5   |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)  |    |      | 212 |      | -    |      |     |
|                    |    |      | 160 |      |      |      |     |

Table A-9. Stomach contents of juvenile Pacific cod; number of fish (n),

frequency of occurrence (FO), number of prey (N), volume of prey (V), and ranks in Index of Relative Importance (IRI).

Size range 20.0-24.9 mm TL, n=1, length 24.6 mm

Total

| Size range                    |      | -29.9 | mm 1L,      | n≖⊥⊥, | mean lengt | .n 28. | 1 mm |
|-------------------------------|------|-------|-------------|-------|------------|--------|------|
| Prey                          | FO   | % FO  | N           | % N   | V          | % V    | IRI  |
| Calanoida                     |      |       |             |       |            |        |      |
| C. marshallae                 | 2    | 18.2  | 2           | 0.3   | 2.05       | 6.8    | 7    |
| Pseudocalanus sp.             |      |       |             |       |            |        |      |
| adult                         | 9    | 81.8  | 117         | 17.9  | 11.41      | 37.9   | 1    |
| copepodite                    | 2    | 18.2  | 63          | 9.7   | 1.48       | 4.9    | 5    |
| C. abdominalis                | 1    | 9.1   | 1           | 0.2   | 0.20       | 0.6    | 10   |
| A. longiremis                 | 5    | 45.5  | 59          | 9.0   | 5.76       | 19.1   | 3    |
| A. tumida                     | 1.   | 9.1   | 1           | 0.2   | 0.39       | 1.3    | 8    |
| Cyclopoid copepods            | 6    | 54.5  | 28 <b>9</b> | 44.3  | 2.82       | 9.4    | 2    |
| Harpacticoid copepods         | 1    |       |             |       |            |        |      |
| adult                         | 1    | 9.1   | 2           | 0.3   | 0.20       | 0.6    | 9    |
| Amphipods<br>Euphausiids      | 1    | 9.1   | 1           | 0.2   | 0.10       | 0.3    | 11   |
| adult & juvenile<br>Pteropoda | 2    | 18.2  | 5           | 0.8   | 3.04       | 10.1   | 6    |
| Limacina helicina             | 2    | 18.2  | 112         | 17.2  | 2.62       | 8.7    | 4    |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)             | 4    | 36.4  | 157         |       |            |        |      |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40mm           | n) 2 | 18.2  | 5           |       |            |        |      |

Size range 25.0-29.9 mm TL, n=11, mean length 28.1 mm

Total

| Prey                            | FO          | % FO | N     | % N  | V     | % V        | IRI |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------|-------|------|-------|------------|-----|
| Chaetognaths                    | 1           | 3.2  |       |      |       |            |     |
| Calanoida                       |             |      |       |      |       |            |     |
| C. cristatus                    | 2           | 6.5  | 2     | 0.07 | 22.34 | 9.4        | 8   |
| C. marshallae                   | 3           | 9.7  | 5     | 0.2  | 5.81  | 2.4        | 9   |
| C. plumchrus                    | 6           | 19.4 | 16    | 0.6  | 45.09 | 18.9       | 6   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.               |             |      |       |      |       |            |     |
| adult                           | 19          | 61.3 | 972   | 33.5 | 94.83 | 39.8       | 1   |
| co <b>pe</b> po <b>dite</b>     | 5           | 16.1 | 613   | 21.2 | 14.35 | 6.0        | 5   |
| C. abdominalis                  | 3           | 9.7  | 7     | 0.2  | 1.16  | 0.5        | 13  |
| Metridia sp.                    | 2           | 6.5  | 2     | 0.07 | 0.74  | 0.3        | 16  |
| A. longiremis                   | 12          | 38.7 | 153   | 5.3  | 14.93 | 6.3        | 4   |
| Calanus <sub>SP</sub> . *       | 2           | 6.5  | 3     | 0.1  | 7.27  | 3.0        | 11  |
| Cyclopoid copepods              | 13          | 41.9 | 468   | 16.2 | 4.57  | 1.9        | 2   |
| Harpacticoid copepods           | 3           |      |       |      |       |            |     |
| adult                           | 3           | 9.7  | 4     | 0.1  | 0.39  | 0.2        | 15  |
| eggsac                          | 2           | 6.5  | 2     | 0.07 |       |            |     |
| Amphipods                       | 7           | 22.6 | 31    | 1.1  | 5.49  | 2.3        | 7   |
| Luphausilds                     | 2           | 0 7  | 10    | 0.2  | / 02  | 2.0        | 10  |
| adult & juvenile                | ز<br>1      | 9.7  | 10    | 0.3  | 4.82  | 2.0        | 10  |
| furcilia                        | 1           | 3.2  | 1     | 0.03 | 0.28  | 0.1        | 1/  |
| nauplius                        | Ŧ           | 3.2  | Ţ     |      |       |            |     |
| Balanidae                       | ,           | 10 / | 10    | 0.0  | 0.00  | <b>• /</b> | 10  |
| Balanus sp.                     | 6           | 19.4 | 10    | 0.3  | 0.98  | 0.4        | 12  |
| Crab zoea & megalopa            | 2           | h.)  | 4     | 0.1  | 1.28  | 0.5        | 14  |
| Mollusca                        | -           | 2 2  | 2     | 0.07 |       |            |     |
| snail                           | 1           | 3.2  | 2     | 0.07 |       |            |     |
| Pteropoda                       |             | 25 5 | 500   | 20 / | 12.00 | <b>F</b> 0 | 2   |
| L. nelicina                     | 11          | 33.5 | 592   | 20.4 | 13.80 | 2.8        | د   |
| Appendicularians                | L           | 3.2  | 1 100 |      |       |            |     |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm)              | 13          | 41.9 | 1,103 |      |       |            |     |
| (dia. 0.19-0.20 m               | m) 2        | 6.5  |       |      |       |            |     |
| (dia. 0.32-0.40 m               | m) <u>2</u> | p.5  | 6     |      |       |            |     |
| Digested<br>unidentifiable food | 2           | 6.5  |       |      |       |            |     |

Size range 30.0-34.9 mm TL, n=31, mean length 32.8 mm

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| Size ran            | ge 35.0        | -39.9 mm | TL, n= | 39, mean | length 37. | 1 mm |    |
|---------------------|----------------|----------|--------|----------|------------|------|----|
| Calanoida           |                |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| C. marshallae       | 3              | 7.7      | 13     | 0.8      | 17.13      | 3.7  | 11 |
| C. plumchrus        | 13             | 33.3     | 56     | 3.3      | 161.41     | 39.2 | 1  |
| E. bungii bungii    | 1              | 2.6      | 25     | 1.5      | 48.44      | 10.6 | 14 |
| Pseudocalanus sp.   |                |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| adult               | 13             | 33.3     | 430    | 25.1     | 41.95      | 9.1  | 2  |
| copepodite          | 7              | 17.9     | 276    | 16.1     | 6.46       | 1.4  | 5  |
| Metridia sp.        | 3              | 7.7      | 4      | 0.2      | 1.78       | 0.4  | 17 |
| A. longiremis       | 6              | 15.4     | 81     | 4.7      | 7.90       | 1.7  | 7  |
| A. tumida           | 1              | 2.6      | 2      | 0.1      | 0.39       | 0.08 | 18 |
| Calanus sp. *       | 3              | 7.7      | 8      | 0.5      | 20.70      | 4.5  | 10 |
| Cyclopoid copepods  | 10             | 25.6     | 225    | 13.2     | 2.20       | 0.5  | 4  |
| Harpacticoid copepo | o <b>ds</b>    |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| adult               | 8              | 20.5     | 24     | 1.4      | 2.34       | 0.5  | 9  |
| eggsac              | 4              | 10.3     | 7      | 0.4      |            |      |    |
| Amphipods           | ្ <u></u> ម 10 | 25.6     | 18     | 1.0      | 24.54      | 5.4  | 6  |
| Euphausiids         | ,              |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| adult & juvenile    | 2              | 5.1      | 3      | 0.2      | 28.52      | 6.2  | 13 |
| furcilía            | 2              | 5.1      | 6      | 0.3      | 3.86       | 0.8  | 16 |
| calyptopis          | 1              | 2.6      | 1      | 0.06     |            |      |    |
| Balanidae           |                |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| Balanus sp.         | 7              | 17.9     | 10     | 0.6      | 0.98       | 0.2  | 15 |
| Shrimp              | 1              | 2.6      | 3      | 0.2      | 57.60      | 12.6 | 12 |
| Crab zoea & megalog | pa 4           | 10.3     | 6      | 0.3      | 20.30      | 4.4  | 8  |
| Mollusca            |                |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| bivalve             | 1              | 2.6      | 1      | 0.06     |            |      |    |
| Pteropoda           |                |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| L. helicina         | 10             | 25.6     | 512    | 29.9     | 11.99      | 2.6  | 3  |
| Appendicularians    | 1              | 2.6      |        |          |            |      |    |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm)  | 8              | 20.5     | 466    |          |            |      |    |
| " (dia. 0.19-0.20   | <b>)</b> mm) 1 | 2.6      | 2      |          |            |      |    |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40   | ) mm) 1        | 2.6      | 18     |          |            |      |    |
| " (dia. 0.63 mm)    | 1              | 2.6      | 3      |          |            |      |    |
| Digested            |                |          |        |          |            |      |    |
| unidentifiable food | <b>1</b> 5     | 12.8     |        |          |            |      |    |

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Size range 40.0-44.9 mm TL, n=50, mean length 42.4 mm

| Prey                             | FO  | % FO | N   | % N  | V      | % V  | IRI |
|----------------------------------|-----|------|-----|------|--------|------|-----|
| Chaetognaths                     | 2   | 4.1  | 7   | 0.5  | 42.26  | 4.1  | 12  |
| Calanoida                        |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| C. cristatus                     | 10  | 20.4 | 10  | 0.7  | 155.77 | 13.9 | 3   |
| C. marshallae                    | 2   | 4.1  | 27  | 1.8  | 38.53  | 3.4  | 11  |
| C. plumchrus                     | 23  | 46.9 | 182 | 12.2 | 538.42 | 48.0 | 1   |
| E. bungii bungii                 | 2   | 4.1  | 18  | 1.2  | 34.88  | 3.1  | 13  |
| Pseudocalanus sp.                |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| adult                            | 9   | 18.4 | 93  | 6.2  | 9.07   | 0.8  | 7   |
| copepodite                       | 7   | 14.3 | 73  | 4.9  | 1.71   | 0.2  | 9   |
| C. abdominalis                   | 1   | 2.0  | 10  | 0.7  | 1.66   | 0.1  | 19  |
| Metridia sp.                     | 3   | 6.1  | 11  | 0.7  | 5.59   | 0.5  | 16  |
| A. longiremis                    | 2   | 4.1  | 20  | 1.3  | 1.95   | 0.2  | 17  |
| A. tumida                        | 1   | 2.0  | 2   | 0.1  | 0.78   | 0.07 | 21  |
| E. amphitrites                   | 1   | 2.0  | 1   | 0.1  | 2.84   | 0.3  | 20  |
| Calanus sp. *                    | 3   | 6.1  | 4   | 0.3  | 11.04  | 1.0  | 15  |
| Cyclopoid copepods               | 8   | 16.3 | 124 | 8.3  | 1.21   | 0.1  | 5   |
| Harpactcoid copepods             |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| adult                            | 13  | 26.5 | 64  | 4.3  | 6.24   | 0.6  | 6   |
| larva                            | 1   | 2.0  | 1   | 0.1  |        |      |     |
| egg sac                          | 6   | 12.2 | 10  | 0.7  |        |      |     |
| Amphpods                         | 9   | 18.4 | 30  | 2.0  | 5.39   | 0.5  | 10  |
| Euphausiids                      |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| adult & juvenile                 | 5   | 10.2 | 28  | 1.9  | 149.32 | 13.3 | 4   |
| furcilia                         | 1   | 2.0  | 1   | 0.1  | 0.48   | 0.04 | 22  |
| Balanidae                        |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| Balanus sp.                      | 7   | 14.3 | 9   | 0.6  | 0.88   | 0.08 | 14  |
| Crab zoea & megalopa             | 6   | 12.2 | 27  | 1.8  | 91.37  | 8.2  | 8   |
| Mollusca                         |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| bivalve                          | 3   | 6.1  | 5   | 0.3  | 0.12   | 0.01 | 18  |
| snail                            | 1   | 2.0  | 2   | 0.1  |        |      |     |
| Pteropoda                        |     |      |     |      |        |      |     |
| L. helicina                      | 8   | 16.3 | 732 | 49.1 | 17.14  | 1.5  | 2   |
| Appendicularians                 | 2   | 4.1  | 30+ | ?    |        |      |     |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm)               | 2   | 4.1  | 7   |      |        |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40 mm<br>Digested | ) 3 | 6.1  | 405 |      |        |      |     |
| unidentifiable food              | 8   | 16.3 |     |      |        |      |     |

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Size range 45.0-49.9 mm TL, n=30, mean length 47.7 mm

| Prey                            | FO  | % FO  | N          | % N  | v      | % V  | IRI |
|---------------------------------|-----|-------|------------|------|--------|------|-----|
| Chaetognaths                    | 2   | 6.7   | 10         | 1.6  | 66.09  | 4.9  | 10  |
| Calanoida                       |     |       |            |      |        |      |     |
| C. cristatus                    | 3   | 10.0  | 4          | 0.6  | 54.98  | 4.1  | 9   |
| C. marshallae                   | 3   | 10.0  | 10         | 1.6  | 14.27  | 1.1  | 14  |
| C. plumchrus                    | 7   | 23.3  | 67         | 10.9 | 191.74 | 14.1 | 3   |
| E. bungii bungii                | 1   | 3.3   | 1          | 0.2  | 2.19   | 0.2  | 20  |
| Pseudocalanus sp.               |     |       |            |      |        |      |     |
| adult                           | 6   | 20.0  | 138        | 22.4 | 13.46  | 1.0  | 4   |
| copepodite                      | 2   | 6.7   | 9          | 1.5  | 0.21   | 0.02 | 17  |
| Metridia sp.                    | 2   | 6.7   | 31         | 5.0  | 20.73  | 1.5  | 10  |
| A. longiremis                   | 2   | 6.7   | 94         | 15.2 | 9.17   | 0.7  | 8   |
| Calanus sp. *                   | 2   | 6.7   | 11         | 1.8  | 29.43  | 2.2  | 15  |
| Cyclopoid copepods              | 3   | 10.0  | 25         | 4.1  | 0.24   | 0.02 | 12  |
| Harpacticoid copepods           |     |       |            |      |        |      |     |
| adult                           | 3   | 10.0  | 12         | 1.9  | 1.17   | 0.09 | 16  |
| larva                           | 1   | 3.3   | 1          | 0.2  |        |      |     |
| egg sac                         | 3   | 10.0  | 3          | 0.5  |        |      |     |
| Amphipods                       | 13  | 43.3  | 81         | 13.3 | 177.65 | 13.1 | 1   |
| Euphausiids                     |     |       |            |      |        |      |     |
| adult & juvenile                | 8   | 26.7  | 16         | 2.6  | 152.08 | 11.2 | 5   |
| furcilia<br>Balanid <b>ae</b>   | 3   | 10.0  | 3          | 0.5  | 2.27   | 0.2  | 19  |
| Balanus sp.                     | 4   | 13.3  | 4          | 0.6  | 0.39   | 0.03 | 18  |
| Shrimp                          | 2   | 6.7   | 12         | 1.9  | 230.40 | 17.0 | 6   |
| Crab zoea & megalopa            | 8   | 26.7  | 66         | 10.7 | 230.49 | 17.0 | 2   |
| Pteropoda                       |     |       |            |      |        |      |     |
| L. helicina                     | 5   | 16.7  | 15         | 2.4  | 0.35   | 0.03 | 13  |
| Fish larvae                     | 3   | 10.0  | 3          | 0.5  | 158.16 | 11.7 | 7   |
| Egg (d <b>ia.</b> 0.11mm)       | 1   | 3.3   | 8 <b>6</b> |      |        |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40mm)            | ) 1 | 3.3   | 191        |      |        |      |     |
| Digested<br>unidentifiable food | 1   | 3.3   |            |      |        |      |     |
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Tabel A-9. continued.

| Prey                           | FO | % FO | N  | % N  | v             | % V  | IRI |
|--------------------------------|----|------|----|------|---------------|------|-----|
| Calanoida                      |    |      |    |      |               |      |     |
| C. cristatus                   | 2  | 8.7  | 3  | 1.5  | 42.92         | 3.7  | 11  |
| C. marshallae                  | 2  | 8.7  | 2  | 1.0  | 2.85          | 0.2  | 12  |
| C. plumchrus                   | 4  | 17.4 | 37 | 18.9 | 96 <b>.29</b> | 8.3  | 3   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.              |    |      |    |      | ,             |      |     |
| adult                          | 4  | 17.4 | 58 | 29.6 | 5.66          | 0.5  | 2   |
| copepodite                     | 1  | 4.3  | 2  | 1.0  | 0.05          |      | 14  |
| Metridia sp.                   | 2  | 8.7  | 12 | 6.1  | 8.03          | 0.7  | 10  |
| A. tumida                      | 1  | 4.3  | 1  | 0.5  | 0.39          | 0.03 | 15  |
| Calanus sp. *                  | 5  | 21.7 | 12 | 6.1  | 30.51         | 2.6  | 6   |
| Harpacticoid copepods          |    |      |    |      |               |      |     |
| adult                          | 1  | 4.3  | 2  | 1.0  | 0.20          | 0.02 | 13  |
| eggsac                         | 1  | 4.3  |    |      |               |      |     |
| Amphipods                      | 4  | 17.4 | 11 | 5.6  | 79.40         | 6.8  | 5   |
| Euphausiids                    |    |      |    |      |               |      |     |
| adult & juvenile               | 5  | 21.7 | 6  | 3.1  | 164.85        | 14.2 | 4   |
| furcilia                       | 4  | 17.4 | 12 | 6.1  | 5.80          | 0.5  | 9   |
| Mysids                         | 1  | 4.3  | 2  | 1.0  |               |      |     |
| Shrimp                         | 2  | 8.7  | 10 | 5.1  | 192.00        | 16.5 | 7   |
| Crab zoea & megalopa           | 3  | 13.0 | 22 | 8.7  | 58.03         | 5.0  | 8   |
| Appendicularians               | 2  | 8.7  |    |      |               |      |     |
| Fish larvae                    | 9  | 39.1 | 9  | 4.6  | 474.48        | 40.9 | 1   |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm)<br>Digested | 3  | 13.0 | 96 |      |               |      |     |
| unidentifiable food            | 3  | 13.0 |    |      |               |      |     |

Size range 50.0-54.9 mm TL, n=23, mean length 51.7 mm

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% V V FO % FO Ν % N IRI Prev Calanoida C. marshallae 9.91 2 25.0 6 17.1 3.2 4 C. plumchrus 12.5 2 5.7 4.96 5 1 1.6 Pseudocalanus sp. 2.9 0.1 adult 1 12.5 1 0.03 8 0.05 copepodite 1 12.5 2 5.7 0.02 6 A. longiremis 12.5 1 Amphipods 2 25.0 12 34.3 12.70 4.2 3 Euphausiids 66.54 adult & juvenile 2 25.0 7 20.0 21.8 2 1 12.5 2.9 0.48 0.2 7 furcilia 1 Fish larvae 37.5 11.4 210.88 69.0 1 3 4 Egg (dia. 0.11mm) 7 1 12.5 Digested 4 unidentifiable food 3 37.5

Size range 55.0-59.9 mm TL, n=8, mean length 57.5 mm

Total

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| FO | % FO   | N       | % N                                     | v   | % V  | IRI   |
|----|--------|---------|---|---|--|---|
|    |        |         | - <u></u>                               |   |  |   |
|    |        | 2       | 18.1                                    | 0.20  | 0.3  | 4   |
|    |        | 2       | 18.1                                    | 2.17  | 3.0  | 3   |
|    |        | 1       | 9.1                                     | 1.15  | 1.6  | 5   |
| 1  |        | 5       | 45.5                                    | 16.92   | 23.1   | 2   |
|    |        | 1       | 9.1                                     | 52.72   | 72.1   | 1   |
|    | F0<br> | FO % FO | FO % FO N<br>2<br>2<br>2<br>1<br>5<br>1 | FO % FO N % N<br>2 18.1<br>2 18.1<br>1 9.1<br>5 45.5<br>1 9.1 | FO % FO N % N V<br>2 18.1 0.20<br>2 18.1 2.17<br>1 9.1 1.15<br>5 45.5 16.92<br>1 9.1 52.72 | FO % FO   N % N   V % V     2   18.1   0.20   0.3     2   18.1   2.17   3.0     1   9.1   1.15   1.6     5   45.5   16.92   23.1     1   9.1   52.72   72.1 |

Size range 60.0-64.9 mm TL, n=1, length 63.1 mm

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| Prey                 | FO | % F0 | N       | % N  | V      | % V  | IRI |
|----------------------|----|------|---------|------|--------|------|-----|
| Amphipods            |    |      | 8       | 47.1 | 15.73  | 8.1  | 2   |
| Crab zoea & megalopa |    |      | 6       | 35.3 | 20.94  | 10.7 | 3   |
| Fish larvae          |    |      | 3       | 17.6 | 158.16 | 81.2 | 1   |
|                      |    |      | <u></u> |      |        |      |     |

Size range 70.0-74.9 mm TL, n=1, length 73.7 mm

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Table A-10. Stomach contents of juvenile walleye pollock; number of fish (n), frequency of occurrence (FO), number of prey (N), volume of prey (V), and ranks in Index of Relative Importance (IRI).

| Prey                           | FO | % FO  | N  | % N  | V    | % V   | IRI |
|--------------------------------|----|-------|----|------|------|-------|-----|
| Calanoida<br>Pseudocalanus sp. |    |       |    |      |      | ····· |     |
| adult                          | 1  | 50.0  | 3  | 9.4  | 0.29 | 9.9   | 2   |
| copepodite                     | 1  | 50.0  | 1  | 3.1  | 0.02 | 0.8   | 3   |
| A. longiremis                  | 2  | 100.0 | 27 | 84.4 | 2.63 | 89.0  | 1   |
| Cyclopoid copepods             | 1  | 50.0  | 1  | 3.1  |      | 0.3   | 4   |

| Size r | ange 15. | .0-19.9 | mm | TL, | n=2, | mean | length | 19.7 | mm |
|--------|----------|---------|----|-----|------|------|--------|------|----|
|--------|----------|---------|----|-----|------|------|--------|------|----|

Total

| Prey               | FO  | % FO | N   | % N  | V    | % V  | IRI      |
|--------------------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|----------|
| Calanoida          |     |      |     |      |      |      | <u>,</u> |
| C. marshallae      | 2   | 25.0 | 18  | 7.5  | 1.75 | 8.0  | 7        |
| E. bungii bungii   | 2   | 25.0 | 2   | 0.8  | 3.89 | 17.7 | 3        |
| Pseudocalanus sp.  |     |      |     |      |      |      |          |
| adult              | 7   | 87.5 | 23  | 9.0  | 2.24 | 10.2 | 2        |
| copepodite         | 2   | 25.0 | 35  | 14.6 | 0.82 | 3.7  | 4        |
| A. longiremis      | 2   | 25.0 | 18  | 7.5  | 1.76 | 8.0  | 6        |
| Metridia sp.       | 1   | 12.5 | 1   | 0.4  | 0.41 | 1.9  | 8        |
| A. tumida          | I   | 12.5 | 1   | 0.4  | 0.39 | 1.8  | 9        |
| Cyclopoid copepods | 7   | 87.5 | 154 | 64.4 | 1.50 | 6.8  | 1        |
| Amphipods          | . 1 | 12.5 | 2   | 0.8  | 8.28 | 37.6 | 5        |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)  | 1   | 12.5 | 2   |      |      |      |          |
|                    |     |      |     |      |      |      |          |

Size range 20.0-24.9 mm TL, n=9, mean length 23.3 mm

Total

| Prey                  | FO | % FO | N   | % N  | V            | % V  | IRI |
|-----------------------|----|------|-----|------|--------------|------|-----|
| Calanoida             |    |      |     |      |              |      |     |
| C. marshallae         | 2  | 20.0 | 2   | 0.6  | 1.77         | 3.7  | 7   |
| C. plumchrus          | 1  | 10.0 | 1   | 0.3  | 2 <b>.59</b> | 5.4  | 8   |
| E. bungii bungii      | 2  | 20.0 | 14  | 4.5  | 26.13        | 53.9 | 3   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.     |    |      |     |      |              |      |     |
| adult                 | 7  | 70.0 | 60  | 19.4 | 5.85         | 12.1 | 2   |
| copepodite            | 3  | 30.0 | 11  | 3.5  | 0.26         | 0.5  | 6   |
| Metridia sp.          | 1  | 10.0 | 1   | 0.3  | 0.39         | 0.8  | 10  |
| A. longiremis         | 2  | 20.0 | 36  | 11.6 | 3.51         | 7.2  | 4   |
| C. abdominalis        | 1  | 10.0 | 4   | 1.3  | 1.56         | 3.2  | 9   |
| Cyclopoid copepods    | 6  | 60.0 | 167 | 53.9 | 1.63         | 3.4  | 1   |
| Harpacticoid copepods | 1  | 10.0 | 1   | 0.3  | 0.09         | 0.2  | 11  |
| Euphausiids           |    |      |     |      |              |      |     |
| adult & juvenile      | 2  | 20.0 | 13  | 4.2  | 4.64         | 9.6  | 5   |
| Pteropoda             |    |      |     |      |              |      |     |
| L. helicina           | 1  | 10.0 |     |      |              |      |     |
| Appendicularians      | 1  | 10.0 |     |      |              |      |     |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm)    | 3  | 30.0 | 71  |      |              |      |     |
| unidentifiable food   | 1  | 10.0 |     |      |              |      |     |

Size range 25.0-29.9 mm TL, n=10, mean length 27.1 mm

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Size range 30.0-34.9 mm TL, n=24, mean length 33.0 mm

| Prey                  | FO   | % FO | N   | % N                                   | v     | % V  | IRI |
|-----------------------|------|------|-----|---------------------------------------|-------|------|-----|
| Calanoida             |      |      |     | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |       |      |     |
| C. marshallae         | 6    | 25.0 | 17  | 1.0                                   | 21.04 | 8.6  | 7   |
| C. plumchrus          | 5    | 20.8 | 11  | 0.7                                   | 29.67 | 12.1 | 5   |
| E. bungii bungii      | 9    | 37.5 | 45  | 2.8                                   | 78.59 | 32.1 | 3   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.     |      |      |     |                                       |       |      |     |
| adult                 | 20   | 83.3 | 760 | 46.9                                  | 74.15 | 30.3 | 1.  |
| copepodite            | 14   | 58.3 | 175 | 10.8                                  | 4.10  | 1.7  | 4   |
| C. abdominalis        | 1    | 4.2  | 1   | 0.06                                  | 0.39  | 0.2  | 13  |
| Metridia sp.          | 2    | 8.3  | 5   | 0.3                                   | 1.96  | 0.8  | 9   |
| A. longiremis         | 5    | 20.8 | 8   | 0.5                                   | 0.78  | 0.3  | 8   |
| A. tumida             | 2    | 8.3  | 2   | 0.2                                   | 0.78  | 0.3  | 11  |
| Calanus <b>s</b> p. * | 1    | 4.2  | 2   | 0.1                                   | 3.62  | 1.5  | 10  |
| Cyclopoid copepods    | 10   | 41.7 | 582 | 35.9                                  | 5.68  | 2.3  | 2   |
| Amphipods             | 2    | 8.3  | 3   | 0.2                                   | 0.31  | 0.1  | 12  |
| Luphausilds           |      |      | •   | <b>a</b> (                            | 22 (1 | • •  |     |
| adult & juvenile      | 6    | 25.0 | 9   | 0.6                                   | 23.61 | 9.6  | 6   |
| calyptopis            | T    | 4.2  | 1   | 0.06                                  |       |      |     |
| Pteropoda             | -    |      |     |                                       |       |      |     |
| L. helicina           | 3    | 12.5 | 1+? | 0.06                                  |       |      |     |
| Appendicularians      | 2    | 8.3  |     |                                       |       |      |     |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)     | 15   | 62.5 | 754 |                                       |       |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40m    | m) 2 | 8.3  | 2   |                                       |       |      |     |

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| Prey                                  | FO   | % FO | N     | % N  | v      | % V  | IRI |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|-------|------|--------|------|-----|
| Chaetognaths                          | 7    | 10.9 | 10    | 0.2  | 99.42  | 12.8 | 7   |
| Calanoida                             |      |      |       |      |        |      |     |
| C. marshallae                         | 15   | 23.4 | 68    | 1.1  | 68.48  | 8.9  | 5   |
| C. plumchrus                          | 13   | 20.3 | 26    | 0.4  | 76.43  | 9.8  | 6   |
| E. bungii bungii<br>Pseudocalanus sp. | 16   | 25.0 | 122   | 2.0  | 215.77 | 27.8 | 3   |
| adult                                 | 46   | 71.9 | 1,761 | 29.1 | 171.80 | 22.1 | 1   |
| copepodite                            | 32   | 50.0 | 729   | 12.1 | 17.07  | 2.2  | 4   |
| Metridia sp.                          | 5    | 7.8  | 12    | 0.2  | 3.63   | 0.5  | 14  |
| A. longiremis                         | 18   | 28.1 | 97    | 1.6  | 9.46   | 1.2  | 8   |
| A. tumida                             | 5    | 7.8  | 9     | 0.1  | 3.51   | 0.5  | 15  |
| T. discaudatus                        | 2    | 3.1  | 7     | 0.1  | 1.37   | 0.2  | 18  |
| Calanus sp. *                         | 5    | 7.8  | 16    | 0.3  | 26.79  | 3.4  | 11  |
| Cyclopoid copepods                    | 30   | 46.9 | 2,977 | 49.3 | 29.04  | 3.7  | 2   |
| Harpacticoid copepod                  | s    |      |       |      |        |      |     |
| adult                                 | 1    | 1.6  | l     | 0.02 | 0.09   | 0.01 | 19  |
| Amphipods                             | 2    | 3.1  | 2     | 0.03 | 3.26   | 0.4  | 17  |
| Euphausiids                           |      |      |       |      |        |      |     |
| adult & juvenile                      | 8    | 12.5 | 11    | 0.2  | 30.79  | 4.0  | 9   |
| furcilia                              | 9    | 14.1 | 77    | 1.3  | 16.25  | 2.1  | 10  |
| Balanidae                             |      |      |       |      |        |      |     |
| Balanus sp.                           | 10   | 15.6 | 13    | 0.2  | 1.27   | 0.2  | 13  |
| Pteropoda                             |      |      |       |      |        |      |     |
| L. helicina                           | 11   | 17.2 | 64    | 1.1  | 1.50   | 0.2  | 12  |
| Appendicularians                      | 12   | 18.8 | 43+?  |      |        |      |     |
| Copepod nauplii                       | 3    | 4.7  | 41    | 0.7  | 0.12   | 0.02 | 16  |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)                     | 36   | 56.3 | 2,151 |      |        |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.19-0.20m                    | m) 2 | 3.1  | 4     |      |        |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40m                    | m) 9 | 14.1 | 172   |      |        |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.06mm)                       | 2    | 3.1  | 37    |      |        |      |     |
| Digested                              |      |      |       |      |        |      |     |
| unidentifiable food                   | 2    | 3.1  |       |      |        |      |     |

Size range 35.0-39.9 mm TL, n=64, mean length 37.8 mm

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Size range 40.0-44.9 mm TL, n=79, mean length 42.5 mm

| Prey                      | FO | % FO | N     | % N      | V      | % V  | IRI  |
|---------------------------|----|------|-------|----------|--------|------|------|
| Chaetognaths              | 9  | 11.7 | 11    | 0.2      | 109.37 | 9.0  | 9    |
| Calanoid <b>a</b>         |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| C. cristatus              | 2  | 2.6  | 2     | 0.03     | 25.77  | 2.1  | 14   |
| C. marshallae             | 25 | 32.5 | 157   | 2.6      | 193.33 | 15.8 | 4    |
| C. plumchrus              | 18 | 23.4 | 70    | 1.2      | 197.03 | 16.1 | 6    |
| E. b <b>un</b> gii bungii | 13 | 16.9 | 177   | 2,9      | 288.64 | 23.7 | 5    |
| Pseudocalanus sp.         |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| adult                     | 38 | 49.4 | 1,693 | 27.8     | 165.17 | 13.5 | 2    |
| copepodite                | 28 | 36.4 | 757   | 12.4     | 17.72  | 1.5  | 3    |
| Metridia sp.              | 4  | 5.2  | 9     | 0.1      | 2.15   | 0.2  | 17   |
| A. longiremis             | 26 | 33.8 | 137   | 2.3      | 13.37  | 1.1  | 8    |
| A. tumida                 | 2  | 2.6  | 3     | 0.04     | 1.17   | 0.1  | 19   |
| T. discaudatus            | 2  | 2.6  | 13    | 0.2      | 2.54   | 0.2  | 18   |
| Calanus sp. *             | 8  | 10.4 | 51    | 0.8      | 85.72  | 7.0  | 10   |
| Cyclopoid copepods        | 38 | 49.4 | 2,815 | 46.3     | 27.46  | 2.3  | 1    |
| Harpacticoid copepods     |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| adult                     | 3  | 3.9  | 3     | 0.04     | 0.29   | 0.02 | 20   |
| Amphipods                 | 6  | 7.8  | 10    | 0.1      | 5.49   | 0.4  | 15   |
| Euphau <b>s</b> iids      |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| adult & juvenile          | 17 | 22.1 | 28    | 0.5      | 73.45  | 6.0  | 7    |
| furcilia                  | 13 | 16.9 | 37    | 0.6      | 8.77   | 0.7  | 11   |
| calyptopi <b>s</b>        | 1  | 1.3  | 2     | 0.03     |        |      |      |
| naupliu <b>s</b>          | 1  | 1.3  | 1     | 0.01     |        |      |      |
| Balanidae                 |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| Balanus sp.               | 7  | 9.1  | 13    | 0.2      | 1.27   | 0.1  | - 16 |
| Crab zoea & megalopa      | 2  | 2.6  | 2     | 0.03     | 0.68   | 0.06 | 20   |
| Pteropoda                 |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| L. helicina               | 8  | 10.4 | 32    | 0.5      | 0.75   | 0.06 | 13   |
| Appendicularians          | 13 | 16.9 | 79+?  | <b>b</b> |        |      |      |
| Copepod nauplii           | 9  | 11.7 | 65    | 1.1      | 0.19   | 0.02 | 12   |
| Egg (dia.0.11mm)          | 27 | 35.1 | 2,957 |          |        |      |      |
| " (dia.0.19-0.20mm)       | 2  | 2.6  | 2     |          |        |      |      |
| " (dia.0.32-0.40mm)       | 20 | 26.0 | 1,888 |          |        |      |      |
| " (dia.0.06mm)            | 3  | 3.9  | 209   |          |        |      |      |
| Digested                  |    |      |       |          |        |      |      |
| unidentifiable food       | 1  | 1.3  |       |          |        |      |      |

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Size range 45.0-49.9 mm TL, n=62, mean length 47.1 mm

| Prey                      | FO         | % FO         | N       | % N  | V            | % V  | IRI |
|---------------------------|------------|--------------|---------|------|--------------|------|-----|
| Chaetognaths              | 5          | 8.5          | 10      | 0.2  | 99.42        | 6.8  | 11  |
|                           | 7          | 11 0         | 7       | 0.2  | 97 01        | 5 0  | •   |
| C. Cristatus              | 12         | 11.9         | 160     | 0.2  | 0/.UL        | 2.9  | 9   |
| C. marshallae             | 20         | 22.0         | 109     | 4.1  | 219.30       | 14.9 | 0   |
| C. plumenius              | 10         | 20.5         | 04      | 1.5  | L/4.33       | 20.2 | 2   |
| E. Dungii Dungii          | 10         | 20.2         | 214     | 5.2  | 430.20       | 29.2 | د   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.         | 20         | 50 9         | 1 5 2 5 | 26.9 | 1/0 70       | 10 1 | -   |
| adult                     | 30<br>24   | 50.0<br>// 1 | 1,525   | 30.0 | 140./0       | 10.1 | 1   |
| copepoalte<br>Matridia an | 20         | 44•1<br>10 2 | 14      | 1/.1 | 10.33        |      | 1/  |
| Metitala sp.              | 14         | 10.2         | 14      | 0.3  | 0.00         | 0.4  | 14  |
| A. Longiremis             | 14         | 23./         | 8/<br>F | 2.1  | 0.49         | 0.0  | 10  |
| A. CUMCUU                 | 15         | ).L<br>)5 /  | 5       | 0.1  | L,95         |      | 10  |
| Calanus sp. ~             | 10         | 23.4         | 1 102   | 1.3  | 92.84        | 0.0  | 1   |
| Cyclopola copepoas        | <u>כ</u> כ | 55.9         | 1,192   | 20.0 | 11.03        | 0.0  | 10  |
| Harpacticold copepods     | د          | 5.1          | 4       | 0.1  | 0.39         | 0.02 | 19  |
| Amphipods                 | 8          | 13.6         | 11      | 0.3  | 0.88         | 0.06 | 15  |
| Euphausiids               |            |              |         |      |              |      |     |
| adult & juvenile          | 12         | 20.3         | 22      | 0.5  | 97.85        | 6.7  | 8   |
| furcilia                  | 4          | 6.8          | 5       | 0.1  | 1.29         | 0.09 | 17  |
| Balanidae                 |            |              |         |      |              |      |     |
| Balanus sp.               | 6          | 10.1         | 11      | 0.3  | 1.07         | 0.07 | 16  |
| Crab zoea & megalopa      | 1          | 1.7          | 1       | 0.02 | 3.68         | 0.2  | 20  |
| Pteropoda                 |            |              |         |      |              |      |     |
| L. helicina               | 7          | 11.9         | 42      | 1.0  | 0 <b>.98</b> | 0.07 | 13  |
| Fish larvae               | 3          | 5.1          | 3       | 0.1  | 64.87        | 4.4  | 12  |
| Appendicularians          | 14         | 23.7         | 270+?   | ,    |              |      |     |
| Copepod nauplii           | 1          | 1.7          | 1       | 0.02 |              |      |     |
| Egg (dia.0.11mm)          | 25         | 42.4         | 2,103   |      |              |      |     |
| " (dia.0.19-0.20mm)       | 1          | 1.7          | 3       |      |              |      |     |
| " (dia.0.32-0.40mm)       | 15         | 25.4         | 1,122   |      |              |      |     |
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Size range 50.0-54.9 mm TL, n=34, mean length 52.5 mm

| Prey                            | FO   | % FO  | N     | % N  | v      | % V  | IRI |
|---------------------------------|------|-------|-------|------|--------|------|-----|
| Chaetognaths                    | 5    | 14.7  | 5     | 0.2  | 49.71  | 4.6  | 9   |
| Calanoida                       |      |       | _     |      |        |      |     |
| C. cristatus                    | 3    | 8.8   | 3     | 0.1  | 30.74  | 2.9  | 13  |
| C. marshallae                   | 4    | 11.8  | 40    | 1.7  | 58.90  | 5.5  | 8   |
| C. plumchrus                    | 9    | 26.5  | 54    | 2.3  | 149.16 | 13.9 | 6   |
| E. bungii bungii                | 12   | 35.3  | 126   | 5.4  | 256.63 | 23.8 | 2   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.               | ••   | · - · |       |      |        |      | _   |
| adult                           | 23   | 67.6  | 902   | 38.5 | 88.00  | 8.2  | 1   |
| copepodite                      | 16   | 47.1  | 468   | 20.0 | 10.96  | 1.0  | 4   |
| Metridia sp.                    | 8    | 23.5  | 48    | 2.0  | 21.63  | 2.0  | 7   |
| A. longiremis                   | 7    | 20.6  | 61    | 2.6  | 5.95   | 0.6  | 10  |
| A. tumida                       | 1    | 2.9   | 5     | 0.2  | 1.95   | 0.2  | 19  |
| Calanus sp. *                   | 3    | 8.8   | 30    | 1.3  | 63.37  | 5.9  | 11  |
| Cyclopoid copepods              | 14   | 41.2  | 523   | 22.3 | 5.10   | 0.5  | - 5 |
| Harpacticoid copepods           | : 2  | 5.9   | 4     | 0.2  | 0.39   | 0.04 | 18  |
| Amphipods                       | 6    | 17.6  | 11    | 0.5  | 18.14  | 1.7  | 12  |
| Euphausiids                     |      |       |       |      |        |      |     |
| adult & juvenile                | 16   | 47.1  | 38    | 1.6  | 211.16 | 19.6 | 3   |
| furcilia                        | 4    | 11.8  | 6     | 0.3  | 2.31   | 0.2  | 16  |
|                                 | 2    | 5 0   | n     | 0.09 | 0.2    | 0.02 | 20  |
| Balanus sp.                     | 2    | 5.9   | 2     | 0.08 | 0.2    | 0.02 | 20  |
| Shrimp                          | 1    | 2.9   | 3     | 0.1  | 40.68  | 3.8  | 15  |
| Crab zoea & megalopa            | 10   | 2.9   | 10610 | 0.2  | 18.38  | 1./  | 1/  |
| Appendicularians                | 10   | 29.4  | 180+: |      | 10.05  |      | .,  |
| Fish larvae                     | 2    | 5.9   | 2     | 0.08 | 42.25  | 4.0  | 14  |
| Copepod nauplii                 | 2    | 5.9   | 3     | 0.1  |        |      |     |
| Ostracods                       | 1    | 2.9   | 1     | 0.04 |        |      |     |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)               | 13   | 38.2  | 923   |      |        |      |     |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40mm             | n) 4 | 11.8  | 279   |      |        |      |     |
| Digested<br>unidentifiable food | 1    | 2.9   |       |      |        |      |     |

Total

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Size range 55.0-59.9 mm TL, n=13, mean length 57.4 mm

|                       |     | # E0 |               | 9/ ) Y |        | 9/ 37 |    |
|-----------------------|-----|------|---------------|--------|--------|-------|----|
| Prey                  | r0  | % FU | N             | /6 N   | v      | % V   |    |
| Calanoida             |     |      |               |        |        |       |    |
| C. cristatus          | 1   | 7.7  | 4             | 0.4    | 46.46  | 7.5   | 9  |
| C. marshallae         | 5   | 38.5 | 22            | 2.4    | 25.40  | 4.1   | 6  |
| C. plumchrus          | 3   | 23.1 | 6             | 0.7    | 11.07  | 1.8   | 10 |
| E. bungii bungii      | 6   | 46.2 | 136           | 14.8   | 301.11 | 48.4  | 2  |
| Pseudocalanus sp.     |     |      |               |        |        |       |    |
| adult                 | 10  | 76.9 | 556           | 60.3   | 54,24  | 8.7   | 1  |
| copepodite            | 7   | 53.8 | 8 <b>6</b>    | 9.4    | 2.01   | 0.3   | 3  |
| Metridia sp.          | 5   | 38.5 | 17            | 1.2    | 6.01   | 1.0   | 8  |
| A. longiremis         | 4   | 30.8 | 8             | 0.9    | 0.78   | 0.1   | 12 |
| Calanus sp. *         | 3   | 23.1 | 4             | 0.4    | 8.23   | 1.3   | 11 |
| Cyclopoid copepods    | 7   | 53.8 | 57            | 6.2    | 0.56   | 0.09  | 5  |
| Euphausiids           |     |      |               |        |        |       |    |
| adult & juvenile      | 5   | 38.5 | 12            | 1.3    | 63.20  | 10.2  | 4  |
| furcilia              | 1   | 7.7  | 1             | 0.1    | 1.12   | 0.2   | 16 |
| Balanidae             |     |      |               |        |        |       |    |
| Balanus sp.           | 1   | 7.7  | 1             | 0.1    | 0.09   | 0.02  | 17 |
| Shrimp                | 1   | 7.7  | 1             | 0.1    | 11.82  | 1.9   | 13 |
| Crab zoea & megalopa  | 1   | 7.7  | 1             | 0.1    | 3.57   | 0.6   | 15 |
| Fish larvae           | 1   | 7.7  | 4             | 0.4    | 86.50  | 13.9  | 7  |
| Pteropoda             |     |      |               |        |        |       |    |
| L. helicina           | 1   | 7.7  | 6             | 0.7    | 0.14   | 0.02  | 14 |
| Appendicularians      | 4   | 30.8 | 3 <b>9+</b> ? |        |        |       |    |
| Egg (dia. 0.11mm)     | 8   | 61.5 | 922           |        |        |       |    |
| " (dia. 0.32-0.40 mm) | ) 1 | 7.7  | 329           |        |        |       |    |

Total

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Size range 60.0-64.9 mm TL, n=7, mean length 62.8 mm

| Prey               | FO | % FO  | N    | % N  | v               | % V  | IRI |
|--------------------|----|-------|------|------|-----------------|------|-----|
| Chaetognaths       | 4  | 57.1  | 17   | 1.7  | 169.02          | 23.4 | 3   |
| Calanoida          |    |       |      |      |                 |      |     |
| C. marshallae      | 2  | 28.6  | 7    | 0.7  | 7.93            | 1.1  | 8   |
| C. plumchrus       | 1  | 14.3  | 1    | 0.1  | 2.23            | 0.3  | 15  |
| E. bungii bungii   | 5  | 71.4  | 201  | 20.6 | 408 <b>.9</b> 4 | 56.7 | 2   |
| Pseudocalanus sp.  |    |       |      |      |                 |      |     |
| adult              | 7  | 100.0 | 597  | 61.1 | 58.24           | 8.1  | 1   |
| copepodite         | 6  | 85.7  | 54   | 5.5  | 1.26            | 0.2  | 4   |
| Metridia sp.       | 2  | 28.6  | 4    | 0.4  | 0 <b>.9</b> 7   | 0.1  | 12  |
| A. tumida          | 1  | 14.3  | 3    | 0.3  | 1.17            | 0.2  | 14  |
| T. discaudatus -   | 1  | 14.3  | 18   | 1.8  | 3.51            | 0.5  | 9   |
| Calanus sp. *      | 1  | 14.3  | 5    | 0.5  | 10.03           | 1.4  | 11  |
| Cyclopoid copepods | 5  | 71.4  | 22   | 2.3  | 0.21            | 0.03 | 6   |
| Amphipods          | 2  | 28.6  | 2    | 0.2  | 1.03            | 0.1  | 13  |
| Euphausiids        |    |       |      |      |                 |      |     |
| adult& juvenile    | 2  | 28.6  | 16   | 1.6  | 51.02           | 7.1  | 5   |
| furcilia           | 3  | 42.9  | 11   | 1.1  | 3.6 <b>9</b>    | 0.5  | 7   |
| calyptopis         | 1  | 14.3  | 19   | 1.9  | 1.85            | 0.3  | 10  |
| Appendicularians   | 4  | 57.1  | 80+? |      |                 |      |     |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm) | 5  | 71.4  | 730  |      |                 |      |     |

Total

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\* : unidentified

| Prey                               | FO | % FO | N     | % N  | v     | % V  | IRI |
|------------------------------------|----|------|-------|------|-------|------|-----|
| Calanoida                          |    |      |       |      |       |      |     |
| C. marshallae<br>Pseudocalanus sp. |    |      | 1     | 0.1  | 0.55  | 0.8  | 3   |
| adult                              |    |      | 663   | 99.1 | 68.68 | 98.1 | 1   |
| T. discaudatus                     |    |      | 3     | 0.4  | 0.59  | 0.9  | 2   |
| furcilia                           |    |      | 2     | 0.3  | 0.11  | 0.2  | 4   |
| Egg (dia. 0.11 mm)                 |    |      | 1,265 |      |       |      |     |

Size range 65.0-69.9 mm TL, n=1, length 68.4 mm

Total

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| Fish size   |             | Pacific        | cod                     | Walleye pollock |                |                         |  |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|--|
| (TL, mm)    | No. of prey | No. of<br>fish | No. of prey<br>per fish | No. of<br>prey  | No. of<br>fish | No. of prey<br>per fish |  |
| 15.0 - 29.9 | 821         | 12             | 68                      | 581             | 20             | 29                      |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9 | 2898        | 31             | 93                      | 1623            | 24             | 68                      |  |
| 35.0 - 39.9 | 1711        | 39             | 44                      | 6043            | 64             | 94                      |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9 | 1491        | 50             | 30                      | 608 <b>8</b>    | 79             | 77                      |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9 | 616         | 30             | 21                      | 4146            | 62             | 67                      |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9 | 201         | 23             | 9                       | 2340            | 34             | 69                      |  |
| 55.0 - 74.9 | 63          | 10             | 6                       | 2568            | 21             | 122                     |  |

Table A-11. Mean number of prey in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

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| Prey                 | No. of<br>measured<br>prey | Mean     | SD   | Size<br>range | Measuring<br>part |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|------|---------------|-------------------|
| Calanoida            |                            | <u> </u> |      |               |                   |
| C. cristatus         | 16                         | 6.69     | 0.50 | 5.80-7.60     | Р                 |
| C. marshallae        | 27                         | 2.82     | 0.34 | 1.92-3.40     | Р                 |
| C. plumchrus         | 167                        | 3.72     | 0.30 | 2.00-4.32     | Р                 |
| E. bungii bungii     | 6                          | 4.43     | 0.27 | 4.17-4.80     | Р                 |
| Pseudocalanus adult  | 53                         | 0.92     | 0.13 | 0.60-1.30     | Р                 |
| Pseudocalanus copepo | dite 25                    | 0.74     | 0.15 | 0.52-1.00     | Р                 |
| C. abdominalis       | 4                          | 1.26     | 0.22 | 1.00-1.52     | Р                 |
| Metridia sp.         | 16                         | 1.91     | 0.42 | 1.28-2.68     | Р                 |
| A. longiremis        | 29                         | 0.86     | 0.11 | 0.56-1.04     | Р                 |
| A. tumida            | 2                          | 0.92     | 0.17 | 0.80-1.04     | Р                 |
| Cyclopoid            | 43                         | 0.43     | 0.07 | 0.32-0.65     | Р                 |
| Harpacticoid         | 87                         | 0.93     | 0.29 | 0.36-1.60     | Τ                 |
| Amphipoda            | 55                         | 1.92     | 1.76 | 0.52-7.00     | Т                 |
| Euphausiid           |                            |          |      |               |                   |
| juvenile and adult   | 29                         | 8.38     | 6.76 | 4.00-21.50    | ) T               |
| furcilia             | 14                         | 3.44     | 1.06 | 2.20-5.20     | Т                 |
| Balanidae            |                            |          |      |               |                   |
| Balanus sp.          | 31                         | 0.66     | 0.17 | 0.40-1.04     | Т                 |
| Shrimp               | 4                          | 11.55    | 2.69 | 9.25-15.40    | Т                 |
| Crab zoea            | 34                         | 2.02     | 0.86 | 0.68-4.00     | Т                 |
| Mollusca             |                            |          |      |               |                   |
| bivalve              | 5                          | 0.31     | 0.05 | 0.26-0.38     | Т                 |
| snail                | 4                          | 0.63     | 0.41 | 0.36-1.24     | D                 |
| Pteropoda            |                            |          |      |               |                   |
| L. helicina          | 85                         | 0.67     | 0.46 | 0.16-3.64     | D                 |
| Fish larva           | 9                          | 20.9     | 3.9  | 15.0-25.0     | Т                 |
| Egg 1                |                            |          |      | 0.11          | D                 |
| " 2                  |                            |          |      | 0.32-0.40     | D                 |
| " 3                  |                            |          |      | 0.19-0.20     | D                 |
| ** 4                 |                            |          |      | 0.63          | D                 |

Table A-12. Prey size of juvenile Pacific cod.

\* P: prosome length, T: total length, D: diameter

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| Prey  | No. of<br>measured<br>prey  | Mean   | SD   | Size M<br>range p  | leasuring<br>part   |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| Chaetognath   | 9   | 17.8   | 4.2  | 9.2-24.0   | T   |
| Calanoida<br>C. cristatus<br>C. marshallae<br>C. plumchrus<br>E. bungii bungii<br>Pseudocalanus adult<br>Pseudocalanus copepod:<br>C. abdominalis<br>Metridia sp.<br>A. longiremis<br>A. tunida | 12<br>214<br>142<br>296<br>183<br>ite 137<br>3<br>51<br>113<br>20 | 6.16<br>2.64<br>3.65<br>4.33<br>0.99<br>0.64<br>1.68<br>1.66<br>0.86<br>1.34 | 0.98<br>0.35<br>0.40<br>0.65<br>0.10<br>0.07<br>0.28<br>0.39<br>0.11<br>0.15 | 3.60-7.28<br>1.56-3.28<br>1.68-4.32<br>2.00-7.00<br>0.80-1.24<br>0.40-0.84<br>1.35-1.84<br>1.00-2.32<br>0.64-1.20<br>1.00-1.60 | B P<br>P P<br>P P<br>P P<br>P P<br>P P<br>P P<br>P P<br>P P |
| T. discaudatus  | 8<br>148  | 1.37   | 0.41   | 1.04-2.28  | 5 P<br>5 P  |
| Harpacticoid  | 9   | 0.83   | 0.28   | 0.48-1.40  | ) T   |
| Amphipoda   | 39  | 1.64   | 1.40   | 0.28-5.60  | ) T   |
| juvenile and adult<br>furcilia<br>calyptopis  | 51<br>53<br>4   | 6.23<br>2.51<br>1.15   | 2.32<br>0.79<br>0.19   | 4.00-16.0<br>1.20-4.80<br>1.00-1.40  | 00 T<br>0 T<br>0 T  |
| Balanidae<br>Balanus sp.  | 38  | 0.61   | 0.23   | 0.32-1.8   | ОТ  |
| Shrimp<br>Crab zoea   | 3<br>3  | 10.92<br>1.73  | 0.66<br>0.99   | 10.48-11.<br>0.60-2.4  | 68 T<br>O T   |
| Pteropoda<br>L. helicina  | 107   | 0.41   | 0.17   | 0.16-1.20  | ם כ   |
| Fish larva<br>Egg 1<br>" 2<br>" 3<br>" 4  | 2   | 16.0   | 0,09   | 16.0<br>0.11<br>0.32-0.44<br>0.19-0.2<br>0.06<br>0.12-0.4  | T<br>D<br>D<br>D<br>D<br>D<br>8<br>T                        |

Table A-13. Prey size of juvenile walleye pollock

\* P: prosome length, T: total length, D: diameter

| Fish size   | Preditor<br>number |         | Prey<br>numb | /<br>ber | Food    | weight  | Mean p<br>weight | Mean prey<br>weight |  |
|-------------|--------------------|---------|--------------|----------|---------|---------|------------------|---------------------|--|
| (12),       | Cod                | Pollock | Cod H        | Pollock  | Cod     | Pollock | Cođ              | Pollock             |  |
| 15.0 - 24.9 | 1                  | 11      | 169          | 271      | 4.28    | 21.62   | 0.008            | 0.080               |  |
| 25.0 - 29.9 | 11                 | 10      | 652          | 310      | 36.34   | 28.62   | 0.056            | 0.092               |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9 | 31                 | 24      | 2898         | 1623     | 179.43  | 120.22  | 0.062            | 0.074               |  |
| 35.0 - 39.9 | 39                 | 64      | 1711         | 6043     | 341.89  | 550.35  | 0.200            | 0.091               |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9 | 50                 | 79      | 1491         | 6088     | 696.97  | 875.26  | 0.467            | 0.144               |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9 | 30                 | 62      | 616          | 4146     | 671.93  | 1079.30 | 1.091            | 0.260               |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9 | 23                 | 34      | 201          | 2340     | 915.05  | 773.58  | 4.552            | 0.333               |  |
| 55.0 - 59.9 | 8                  | 13      | 35           | 922      | 372.21  | 419.23  | 10.635           | 0.455               |  |
| 60.0 - 74.9 | 2                  | 8       | 28           | 1646     | 225.12  | 388.78  | 8.040            | 0.236               |  |
| Total       | 195                | 305     | 7801         | 23389    | 3443.22 | 4256.96 | 0.441            | 0.182               |  |

Table A-14. Mean weight of prey organism in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

\* weight in (mg)

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|-------------|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Fish size   | Preditor<br>number |         | Pre<br>nut | ey<br>mber | Estim<br>food | nated<br>weight | Estima<br>prey w | Estimated mean<br>prey weight |  |
| (11, 100)   | Cod                | Pollock | Cod        | Pollock    | c Cod         | Pollock         | Cod              | Pollock                       |  |
| 15.0 - 24.9 | 1                  | 11      | 169        | 271        | 9.37          | 25.60           | 0.017            | 0.094                         |  |
| 25.0 - 29.9 | 11                 | 10      | 652        | 310        | 30.81         | 49.66           | 0.047            | 0.160                         |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9 | 31                 | 24      | 2898       | 1623       | 241.14        | 250.91          | 0.083            | 0.155                         |  |
| 35.0 - 39.9 | 3 <b>9</b>         | 64      | 1711       | 6043       | 469.96        | 796.51          | 0.275            | 0.132                         |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9 | 50                 | 79      | 1491       | 6088       | 1148.67       | 1250.83         | 0.770            | 0.205                         |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9 | 30                 | 62      | 616        | 4146       | 1389.90       | 1507.96         | 2.256            | 0.364                         |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9 | 23                 | 34      | 201        | 2340       | 1190.49       | 1103.53         | 5.923            | 0.472                         |  |
| 55.0 - 59.9 | 8                  | 13      | 35         | 922        | 313.26        | 637.88          | 8.950            | 0.692                         |  |
| 60.0 - 74.9 | 2                  | 8       | 28         | 1646       | 274.68        | 806.74          | 9.809            | 0.490                         |  |
| Total       | 195                | 305     | 7801       | 23389      | 5176.67       | 6200.24         | 0.664            | 0.265                         |  |

Table A-15. Estimated mean weight of prey organism before digestion in juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

\* Weight in mg

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| Fish size   | Pa         | cific cod     | 1           | Wa  | Walleye pollock |             |  |  |
|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|-----|-----------------|-------------|--|--|
| (TL, mm)    | N          | Food w        | weight (mg) | N   | Food v          | veight (mg) |  |  |
|             |            | Mean          | SD          |     | Mean            | SD          |  |  |
| 15 0 10 0   |            |               |             |     | 0.70            | 0.26        |  |  |
| 15.0 - 19.9 | -          | -             | -           | 2   | 0.72            | 0.36        |  |  |
| 20.0 - 24.9 | 1          | 4.28          | -           | 9   | 2.24            | 2.91        |  |  |
| 25.0 - 29.9 | 11         | 3.30          | 0.92        | 10  | 2.86            | 3.11        |  |  |
| 30.0 - 34.9 | 31         | 5.79          | 3.49        | 24  | 5.01            | 3.48        |  |  |
| 35.0 - 39.9 | 3 <b>9</b> | 8.77          | 6.39        | 64  | 8.60            | 5.38        |  |  |
| 40.0 - 44.9 | 5 <b>0</b> | 13.94         | 9.16        | 79  | 11.08           | 7.65        |  |  |
| 45.0 - 49.9 | 30         | 22.40         | 16.41       | 62  | 17.41           | 13.07       |  |  |
| 50.0 - 54.9 | 23         | 39.78         | 29.61       | 34  | 22.75           | 16.25       |  |  |
| 55.0 - 59.9 | 8          | 46.53         | 54.52       | 13  | 32.25           | 22.49       |  |  |
| 60.0 - 64.9 | 1          | 5 <b>7.87</b> | -           | 7   | 51.60           | 21.92       |  |  |
| 65.0 - 69.9 | -          |               | -           | 1   | 27.58           | -           |  |  |
| 70.0 - 74.9 | 1          | 167.25        | -           | -   | -               | -           |  |  |
| Total       | 195        | 17.66         | 23.50       | 305 | 13.96           | 14.05       |  |  |

Table A-16. Food weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock; body length vs. food weight in mg.

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| Bodv           | w | eight |    | Pacific c | cod    |        |    | Walleye pol:       | lock  |        |
|----------------|---|-------|----|-----------|--------|--------|----|--------------------|-------|--------|
| , . <b>. .</b> |   | - 0   | N  | Mean fish | n Food | weight | N  | Mean fi <b>s</b> h | Food  | weight |
|                |   |       |    | weight    | Mean   | SD     |    | weight             | Mean  | SD     |
| 0              | _ | 99    |    | _         | -      | _      | 14 | 68.61              | 1.96  | 2.37   |
| 100            |   | 199   | 21 | 160.26    | 3.40   | 1.21   | 19 | 151.69             | 3.31  | 2.65   |
| 200            | - | 299   | 32 | 266.26    | 6.89   | 4.89   | 39 | 257.62             | 7.64  | 5.30   |
| 300            |   | 399   | 23 | 344.39    | 8.83   | 5.94   | 58 | 350.75             | 8.01  | 5.02   |
| 400            | - | 499   | 23 | 447.09    | 10.52  | 7.06   | 52 | 450.69             | 11.77 | 8.20   |
| 500            | _ | 599   | 21 | 541.99    | 13.29  | 7.94   | 35 | 546.24             | 15.44 | 9.57   |
| 600            |   | 699   | 15 | 652.54    | 19.19  | 13.09  | 28 | 647.62             | 18.20 | 12.05  |
| 700            |   | 799   | 15 | 732.93    | 17.20  | 12.93  | 21 | 751.96             | 22.04 | 14.48  |
| 800            | - | 899   | 10 | 854.45    | 25.35  | 11.64  | 11 | 863.17             | 18.28 | 11.78  |
| 900            | - | 999   | 14 | 947.79    | 49.92  | 33.42  | 9  | 950.16             | 27.28 | 23.85  |
| 1000           | _ | 1199  | 12 | 1087.76   | 28.82  | 17.63  | 6  | 1071.47            | 46.38 | 21.82  |
| 1200           | _ | 1399  | 3  | 1324.40   | 54.97  | 40.52  | 7  | 1280.69            | 42.62 | 22.73  |
| 1400           | _ | 1599  | 3  | 1523.07   | 60.62  | 84.42  | 2  | 1527.50            | 49.01 | 31.49  |
| 1600           | _ | 1799  | 2  | 1740.05   | 34.46  | 33.11  | 2  | 1753.30            | 31.18 | 14.55  |
| 1800           | _ | 1999  |    |           | -      | -      | 2  | 1848.75            | 47.73 | 28.50  |
| 2000           | - | 4000  | 1  | 3102.80   | 167.25 | -      | -  | -                  | -     | -      |
|                |   |       |    |           |        |        |    |                    |       |        |

Table A-17. Food weight of juvenile Pacific cod and walleye pollock; body weight vs. food weight in mg.

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| Table A-18. | Proportional Similarity of food between juvenile |
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|             | Pacific cod and walleye pollock.                 |

| Fish size | Sampl      | e size  | PS by number | PS by volume |  |
|-----------|------------|---------|--------------|--------------|--|
| (TL, mm)  | Cod        | Pollock |              |              |  |
| 15.0-29.9 | 12         | 21      | 0.55         | 0.42         |  |
| 30.0-34.9 | 31         | 24      | 0.69         | 0.58         |  |
| 35.0-39.9 | 39         | 64      | 0.41         | 0.46         |  |
| 40.0-44.9 | 50         | 79      | 0.18         | 0.36         |  |
| 45.0-49.9 | 3 <b>0</b> | 62      | 0.25         | 0.31         |  |
| 50.0-54.9 | 23         | 34      | 0.17         | 0.41         |  |
| 55.0-74.9 | 10         | 21      | 0.04         | 0.19         |  |
| Total     | 195        | 305     | 0.45         | 0.37         |  |

## a) Proportional similarity of food by size group

b) Proportional similarity of food by station

| Station | Sample si<br>Cod Po | lze<br>ollock | PS by number | PS by volume |
|---------|---------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| A       | 48                  | 47            | 0.35         | 0.55         |
| B       | 23                  | 30            | 0.15         | 0.19         |
| С       | 17                  | 30            | 0.72         | 0.57         |
| D       | 43                  | 60            | 0.17         | 0.06         |
| Ε       | 15                  | 40            | 0.58         | 0.15         |

|         |          |               |               | Fish s        | ize (TL,      | mm)           |               |               |               |
|---------|----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|         |          | 20.0-<br>29.9 | 30.0-<br>34.9 | 35.0-<br>39.9 | 40.0-<br>44.9 | 45.0-<br>49.9 | 50.0-<br>54.9 | 55.0-<br>59.9 | 60.0-<br>74.9 |
| 2       | 0.0-29.9 |               | 0.55          | 0.29          | 0.08          | 0.05          | 0.03          | 0.02          | 0             |
| 3       | 0.0-34.9 | 0.72          |               | 0.42          | 0.24          | 0.14          | 0.11          | 0.05          | 0             |
| <br>. 3 | 5.0-39.9 | 0.64          | 0.60          |               | 0.44          | 0.33          | 0.28          | 0.10          | 0.02          |
| 4       | 0.0-44.9 | 0.34          | 0.38          | 0.63          |               | 0.45          | 0.32          | 0.15          | 0.03          |
| 4       | 5.0-49.9 | 0.23          | 0.21          | 0.37          | 0.37          |               | 0.66          | 0.31          | 0.22          |
| 5       | 0.0-54.9 | 0.08          | 0.09          | 0.21          | 0.2 <b>9</b>  | 0.53          |               | 0.68          | 0.29          |
| 5       | 5.0-59.9 | 0.03          | 0.04          | 0.07          | 0.14          | 0.26          | 0.28          |               | 0.32          |
| 6       | 0.0-74.9 | 0.03          | 0.04          | 0.06          | 0.11          | 0.41          | 0.2 <b>9</b>  | 0.23          |               |

Table A-19. Proportional Similarity of food between the fishes of different size ranges in juvenile Pacific cod.

PS by volume

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|        |           |                    |               |               |               | PS by vol     | ume           |               |               |               |
|--------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|        |           | Fish size (TL, mm) |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|        |           | 15.0-<br>24.9      | 25.0-<br>29.9 | 30.0-<br>34.9 | 35.0-<br>39.9 | 40.0-<br>44.9 | 45.0-<br>49.9 | 50.0-<br>54.9 | 55.0-<br>59.9 | 60.0-<br>64.9 |
|        | 15.0-24.9 |                    | 0.37          | 0.19          | 0.18          | 0.15          | 0.10          | 0.11          | 0.04          | 0.02          |
|        | 25.0-29.9 | 0.78               |               | 0.58          | 0.53          | 0.44          | 0.31          | 0.25          | 0.16          | 0.08          |
| , mm , | 30.0-34.9 | 0.45               | 0.53          |               | 0.82          | 0.71          | 0.56          | 0.46          | 0.33          | 0.17          |
| ie (TL | 35.0-39.9 | 0.37               | 0.44          | 0.78          |               | 0.80          | 0.63          | 0.52          | 0.31          | 0.19          |
| sh siz | 40.0-44.9 | 0.44               | 0.51          | 0.79          | 0.86          |               | 0.77          | 0.61          | 0.34          | 0.19          |
| Fi     | 45.0-49.9 | 0.48               | 0.56          | 0.82          | 0.77          | 0.82          | 0.00          | 0.77          | 0.48          | 0.25          |
|        | 55 0-59 0 | 0.48               | 0.20          | 0.78          | 0.73          | 0.74          | 0.89          | 0 66          | 0.50          | 0.32          |
|        | 60.0-69.9 | 0.08               | 0.11          | 0.33          | 0.28          | 0.26          | 0.30          | 0.32          | 0.47          | 0.47          |
|        |           |                    |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |

Table A-20. Proportional Similarity of food between the fishes of different size ranges in juvenile walleye pollock.

PS by number

| Table A-21. | Prey of juvenile Pacific cod at five designated sampling stations | 3; |
|-------------|---|----|
|             | percent frequency of occurrence (%FO), percent number (%N), and   |    |
|             | percent volume (%V).  |    |

|                       |       |      | % FO |      |      |
|-----------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| Station               | A     | В    | С    | D    | E    |
| Sample size           | 48    | 23   | 17   | 43   | 15   |
| Chaetognaths          | -     | -    | -    | 2.3  | -    |
| Calanoida             |       |      |      |      |      |
| C. cristatus          | 35.4  | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| C. marshallae         | -     | 21.7 | 5.9  | -    | -    |
| C. plumchrus          | 100.0 | 4.3  | 11.8 | -    | -    |
| E. bungii bungii      | 2.1   | -    | 17.6 | -    | -    |
| Pseudocalanus sp.     |       |      |      |      |      |
| adult                 | 4.2   | -    | 94.1 | 37.2 | 20.0 |
| copepodite            | 4.2   | -    | 52.9 | 14.0 | 6.7  |
| C. abdominalis        | -     | _    | 29.4 | _    | -    |
| Metridia sp.          | -     | -    | 5.9  | 2.3  | 46.7 |
| A. longiremis         | 2.1   | -    | 64.7 | 16.3 | 13.3 |
| Cyclopoid copepods    | _     | -    | 58.8 | 48.8 | 13.3 |
| Harpacticoid copepods | 54.2  | -    | -    | 2.3  | -    |
| Amphipods             | 4.2   | 4.3  | 23.5 | 32.6 | 66.7 |
| Euphausiids           |       |      |      |      |      |
| juvenile and adult    | 2.1   | 30.4 | 11.8 | -    | -    |
| furcilia              | 2.1   | 21.7 | 11.8 | 2.3  | -    |
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Table A-21. (continued).

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|                         |    |      | % FO |      |      |
|-------------------------|----|------|------|------|------|
| Station                 | A  | В    | C    | D    | E    |
| Sample size             | 48 | 23   | 17   | 43   | 15   |
| Balanidae               |    |      |      |      |      |
| Balanus <b>s</b> p.     | -  | -    | 23.5 | 41.9 | 13.3 |
| Shrimp                  | -  | -    | -    | 11.6 | -    |
| Crab zoea/megalopa      | -  | 13.0 | -    | 34.9 | 20.0 |
| Pteropoda               |    |      |      |      |      |
| L. helicina             | -  | -    | 23.5 | 55.8 | 26.7 |
| Fish larvae             | -  | 65.2 | -    | -    | 13.3 |
| Egg 1 (dia.0.11 mm)     | -  | -    | 76.5 | 9.3  | 6.7  |
| " 2 (dia. 0.19-0.20 mm) | _  | -    | _    | 4.7  | -    |
| " 3 (dia. 0.32-0.40 mm) | -  | -    | -    | 2.3  | 13.3 |

Table A-21. (continued).

|                          | % N      |      |      |      |      |  |  |
|--------------------------|----------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Station                  | Α        | В    | С    | D    | E    |  |  |
| Sample size              | 48       | 23   | 17   | 43   | 15   |  |  |
|                          | <u>.</u> |      |      |      |      |  |  |
| C. cristatus             | 3.6      | -    | -    | -    | -    |  |  |
| C. marshallae            | -        | 10.2 | 0.04 | -    | -    |  |  |
| C. plumchrus             | 65.8     | 2.0  | 0.2  | -    | -    |  |  |
| E. bungii bungii         | 0.2      | -    | 1.5  | -    | _    |  |  |
| Pseudocalanus sp.        |          |      |      |      |      |  |  |
| adult                    | 0.4      | -    | 47.0 | 2.2  | _    |  |  |
| copepodite               | 0.4      | -    | 35.9 | 2.3  | 0.2  |  |  |
| C. abdominalis           | -        | _    | 0.6  | _    | -    |  |  |
| Metridia sp.             | -        | -    | 0.04 | 0.04 | 1.7  |  |  |
| A. longiremis            | 0.2      | -    | 11.0 | 0.6  | 0.8  |  |  |
| Cyclopoid copepods       | -        | -    | 2.0  | 19.2 | 72.8 |  |  |
| Harpacticoid copepods    | 19.6     | -    | -    | 0.04 | -    |  |  |
| Amphipods<br>Euphausiids | 0.6      | 4.1  | 0.1  | 3.5  | 5.8  |  |  |
| juvenile and adult       | 0.2      | 14.3 | 0.3  | 1.1  | 0.6  |  |  |
| furcilia<br>Balanidae    | 0.2      | 12.2 | 0.07 | 0.04 | -    |  |  |
| Balanus sp.              | -        | -    | 0.2  | 1.0  | 0.4  |  |  |
| Shrimp                   | -        | -    | -    | 1.0  |      |  |  |
| Crab zoea/megalopa       | -        | 24.5 | -    | 3.9  | 2.3  |  |  |
| Pteropoda                |          |      |      |      |      |  |  |
| L. helicina              | -        | -    | 0.6  | 64.7 | 12.0 |  |  |
| Fish larvae              | -        | 32.7 | -    | -    | 0.8  |  |  |

| •                     |       |      | % V  |                |       |
|-----------------------|-------|------|------|----------------|-------|
| Station               | Α     | В    | С    | D              | Е     |
| Sample size           | 48    | 23   | 17   | 43             | 15    |
| Calanoida             |       |      |      |                |       |
| C. cristatus          | 20.25 | -    | -    | -              |       |
| C. marshallae         | -     | 0.6  | 0.4  | -              | -     |
| C. plumchrus          | 73.64 | 0.1  | 5.1  | -              | -     |
| E. bungii bungii      | 0.16  | -    | 27.3 | -              | -     |
| Pseudocalanus sp.     |       |      |      |                |       |
| adult                 | 0.02  | -    | 41.9 | 0.6            | 0.1   |
| copepodite            | 0.004 | -    | 3.2  | 0.1            | 0.006 |
| C. abdominalis        | -     | -    | 1.0  | -              | -     |
| Metridia sp.          | -     | -    | 0.07 | 0.05           | 1.6   |
| A. longiremis         | 0.007 | -    | 9.8  | 0.1            | 0.2   |
| Cyclopoid copepods    | -     | -    | 0.2  | 0.5            | 0.1   |
| Harpacticoid copepods | 0.75  | -    | -    | <del>-</del> . | -     |
| Amphipods             | 0.07  | 0.5  | 0.4  | 15.1           | 27.3  |
| Euphausiids           |       |      |      |                |       |
| juvenile and adult    | 0.17  | 34.5 | 6.5  | 14.6           | 4.2   |
| furcilia              | 0.08  | 0.3  | 0.2  | 0.02           | -     |
| Balanidae             |       |      |      |                |       |
| Balanus sp.           | -     | -    | 0.2  | 0.2            | 0.05  |
| Shrimp                | -     | -    | -    | 48.7           | -     |
| Crabzoea/megalopa     | -     | 3.9  | -    | 15.8           | 16.5  |
| Pteropoda             |       |      |      |                |       |
| L. helicina           | -     | -    | 0.1  | 3.9            | 0.4   |
| Fish larvae           | -     | 60.1 | _    | -              | 47.8  |

Table A-21. (continued)

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| Table A-22. | Prey of juvenile walleye pollock at five designated sampling    |
|-------------|---|
|             | stations; percent frequency of occurrence (%FO), percent number |
|             | (%N), and percent volume (%V).                                  |

|                          | % FO |      |       |      |      |  |
|--------------------------|------|------|-------|------|------|--|
| Station                  | Α    | В    | С     | D    | E    |  |
| Sample size              | 47   | 30   | 30    | 60   | 40   |  |
| Chaetognaths             | 2.1  | 30.0 | 3.3   | 10.0 | 5.0  |  |
| Calanoida                |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| C. cristatus             | 10.6 | -    | 3.3   | 5.0  | 10.0 |  |
| C. marshallae            | -    | 83.3 | 6.7   | 6.7  | 15.0 |  |
| C. plumchrus             | 78.7 | 3.3  | 13.3  | 25.5 | 12.5 |  |
| E. bungii bungii         | 6.4  | -    | 93.3  | 70.0 | 15.0 |  |
| Pseudocalanus sp.        |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| adult                    | 23.4 | 53.3 | 100.0 | 93.3 | 27.5 |  |
| copepodite               | 8.5  | 13.3 | 96.7  | 91.7 | 12.5 |  |
| Metridia sp.             | -    | -    | 10.0  | 16.7 | 45.0 |  |
| T. discaudatus           | -    | -    | 3.3   |      | -    |  |
| A. longiremis            | 4.3  | 13.3 | 3.3   | 31.7 | -    |  |
| A. tumida                | 2.1  | 3.3  | 40.0  |      | -    |  |
| Copepod nauplii          | -    |      | -     | 3.3  | 12.5 |  |
| Cyclopoid copepods       | 19.1 | 16.7 | 53.3  | 98.3 | 30.0 |  |
| Amphipods<br>Euphausiids | -    | 6.7  | 6.7   | 3.3  | 10.0 |  |
| juvenile and adult       | -    | 30.0 | 13.3  | 23.3 | 57.5 |  |
| furcilia                 | -    | 60.0 | 10.0  | 16.7 | -    |  |

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Table A-22. (continued).

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|     |                               | % FU  |
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| А   | В                             | С   |
| 47  | 30                            | 30  |
|     |                               | 36 7  |
| _   | 3.3                           | 6.7   |
| -   | 3.3                           | -   |
| -   | 13.3                          | -   |
| 4.3 | 13.3                          | 100.0   |
| -   | 3.3                           | -   |
| -   |                               | 6.7   |
|     | A<br>47<br>-<br>-<br>4.3<br>- | A B   47 30   - -   - 3.3   - 13.3   4.3 13.3   - 3.3   - 3.3 |

| D    | E    |
|------|------|
| 60   | 40   |
| 20.0 | 2.5  |
| 35.0 | 10.0 |
| 86.7 | 7.5  |
| 1.7  | 2.5  |
| 86.7 | 12.5 |
| 3.3  | 5.0  |
| 18.3 | 12.5 |

|                          | % N  |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Station                  | А    | В    | С    | D    | Е    |
| Sample size              | 47   | 30   | 30   | 60   | 40   |
| Chaetognaths             | 0.4  | 3.3  | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.08 |
| Calanoida                |      |      |      |      |      |
| C. cristatus             | 1.1  | -    | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.3  |
| C. marshallae            | -    | 24.8 | 0.2  | 0.3  | 1.0  |
| C. plumchrus             | 31.5 | 0.5  | 0.2  | 0.4  | 1.1  |
| E. bungii bungii         | 0.9  | -    | 9.3  | 8.1  | 0.4  |
| Pseudocalanus sp.        |      |      |      |      |      |
| adult                    | 9.7  | 32.2 | 53.9 | 29.9 | 3.3  |
| copepodite               | 1.1  | 3.5  | 31.0 | 11.3 | 0.4  |
| Metridia sp.             |      | _    | 0.4  | 0.2  | 3.4  |
| T. discaudatus           | -    | -    | 0.1  | -    | _    |
| A. longiremis            | 7.9  | 1.5  | 0.03 | 0.4  | 3.2  |
| A. tumida                | 0.2  | 0.6  | 0.7  | -    | -    |
| Cyclopoid copepods       | 44.7 | 1.8  | 2.5  | 45.7 | 81.8 |
| Amphipods<br>Euphausiids | -    | 0.8  | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.2  |
| juvenile and adult       | -    | 2.3  | 0.2  | 0.3  | 2.1  |
| furcilia                 | -    | 27.1 | 0.2  | 0.2  | -    |
| Balanidae                |      |      |      |      |      |
| Balanus sp.              | -    | _    | 0.7  | 0.2  | 0.04 |
| Pteropoda                |      |      |      |      |      |
| L. helicina              | _    | 0.6  | 0.06 | 1.4  | 0.04 |
| Fish larvae              | -    | 1.8  | -    | 0.01 | 0.04 |
|                          |      |      |      |      |      |

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| Station                                     | A    | В    |
|---|------|------|
| Sample size                                 | 47   | 30   |
| Chaetognaths                                | 2.5  | 39.3 |
| Calanoida                                   | e    |      |
| C. cristatus                                | 12.9 | -    |
| C. marshallae                               | -    | 17.4 |
| C. plumchrus                                | 79.3 | 0.2  |
| E. bungii bungii                            | 0.5  | -    |
| Pseudocalanus sp.                           |      |      |
| adult                                       | 0.8  | 2.0  |
| copepodite                                  | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| Metridia sp.                                | -    | -    |
| T. discaudatus                              |      | -    |
| A. longiremis                               | 0.7  | 0.01 |
| A. tumida                                   | 0.07 | 0.06 |
| Cyclopoid copepods                          | 0.4  | 0.01 |
| Amphipods                                   | -    | 1.2  |
| Euphausiids                                 |      |      |
| juvenile and adult                          | -    | 11.4 |
| furcilia                                    |      | 3.5  |
| Balanidae                                   |      |      |
| Balanus sp.                                 | -    |      |
| r h - 1 i - i - i - i - i - i - i - i - i - |      | 0.00 |
| L. nellcina                                 | -    | 0.02 |
| risn farvae                                 |      | 24.9 |

| % V   |      |       |
|-------|------|-------|
| С     | D    | E     |
| 30    | 60   | 40    |
| 0.9   | 3.1  | 2.9   |
| 0.4   | 1.4  | 19.5  |
| 1.4   | 1.0  | 6.3   |
| 1.2   | 3.6  | 15.2  |
| 64.3  | 64.0 | 3.7   |
|       |      |       |
| 21.8  | 11.1 | 1.6   |
| 3.0   | 1.0  | 0.04  |
| 1.1   | 0.1  | 6.8   |
| 0.1   | -    | -     |
| 0.01  | 0.2  | 1.6   |
| 1.2   | -    | -     |
| 0.1   | 1.7  | 4.0   |
| 0.05  | 0.01 | 4.0   |
| 1.5   | 2.7  | 28.8  |
| 0.3   | 0.3  | -     |
| 0.0   |      |       |
| 0.3   | 0.07 | 0.02  |
| 0.006 | 0.1  | 0.005 |
|       | 1.0  | 4.5   |
|       |      |       |