



WINTER FLOUNDER

Pseudopleuronectes americanus

Description:

- ◆ straight lateral line
- ◆ small mouth
- ◆ scaled area between eyes
- ◆ right eye flounder

Size:

- ◆ up to 25 inches

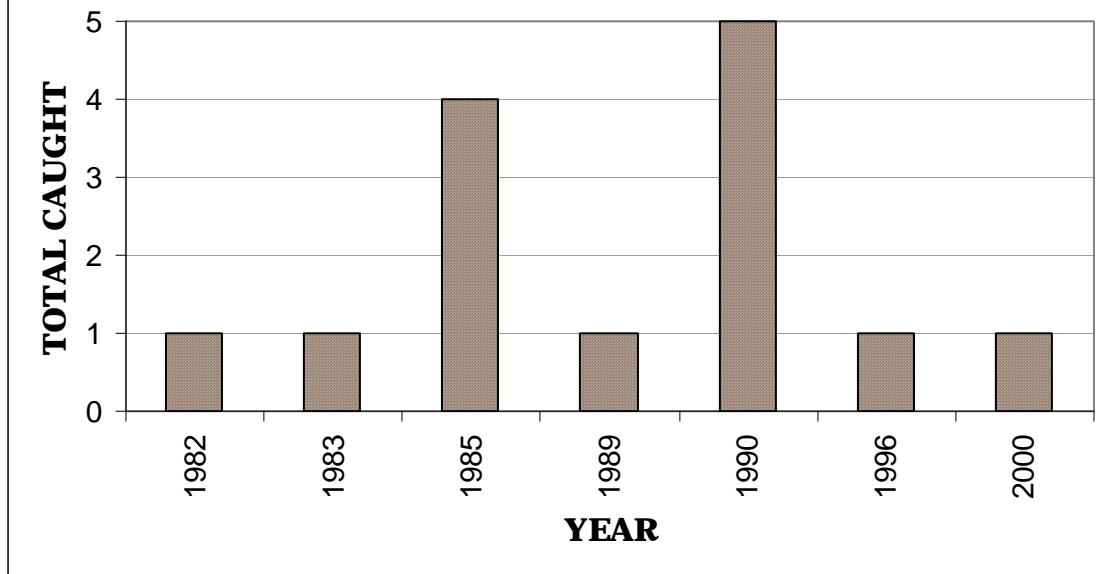
Range:

- ◆ Labrador, Canada to Georgia

Facts:

- ◆ winter inshore in bays and estuaries
- ◆ spawn in winter and spring in shallow inshore waters
- ◆ during a single spawning period, females release a total of 500,000-1.5 million eggs over 40 separate releases
- ◆ move to deeper waters during summer months
- ◆ important food fish
- ◆ lifespan is 15-20 years

WINTER FLOUNDER CATCH TOTALS BY YEAR



*winter flounder were only caught during the years shown

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