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#### SUMMARY

The Tourism and Outdoor Recreation Climate of Newfoundland and Labrador was prepared in order to facilitate the use of meteorological information in recreation and tourism facility planning.

The introduction outlines the scope of the project and layout of the volume. Part A highlights the objectives of the study and
the method of approach. In Part B the tourism and recreation seasons
are defined, and the seasonal analysis is described in detail. In Part
C the seasonal quality of the climate for tourism and outdoor recreation
is presented. Part D contains material of a more general interest to
recreation and tourism.

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#### FOREWORD '

The Tourism and Outdoor Recreation Climate of Newfoundland and Labrador was designed to determine the climatic potential for a variety of recreational activities in Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland. It should prove useful to planners, developers and conservationists at the federal, provincial and municipal levels, as well as to private enterprise. Contained herein are three approaches which contribute to the understanding of climatic potential for recreation:

- a delineation of tourism and recreation seasons based on the major climatic patterns of outdoor recreation.
- an analysis of groups of similar outdoor recreational activities and the climatic conditions which must be met before these activities would be enjoyed by the public.
- a discussion of the major climatic factors which significantly influence outdoor recreation and tourism.

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The over-riding objective of this report (and others in the same series) is to provide a more substantial factual data base on which to plan long-range tourist and recreation development.

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INTRODUCTION

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Weather is one of the most significant factors influencing tourism and outdoor recreation participation and satisfaction. Temperature, precipitation, duration of daylight, wind speed and other elements, individually or in combination, strongly influence and frequently determine the choice of outdoor recreational activities, the participation time, and the degree of satisfaction obtained. The inclusion of weather information in the planning processes for tourism and recreation development is, therefore, of considerable importance.

The area under discussion in this report includes the whole of the Province of Newfoundland and its adjacent coasts, that is, both Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland. The term, Newfoundland, as used in this report refers to the complete Province, while its two separate parts are referred to as Labrador and Island of Newfoundland (or the Island). Although the population density of Labrador is much less than of the Island, it is nevertheless, very important from a planning standpoint, and both parts of the Province have been given equal treatment in this study as far as possible. At first glance it may seem unusual to analyse landscape touring for a large area of Labrador, where highways are almost non-existent. The natural potential for such touring, however, is present, and in any case, touring by boat is of some importance along the Labrador Coast, and it will be seen in the text that an attempt was made to assess this activity in relation to automobile landscape-touring.

Part "A" of the report highlights the objectives of the study and the method of approach. In Part "B" the tourism and recreation seasons are defined and the seasonal analysis is described in detail. In Part "C", following outlines of the outdoor recreation activities and their weather requirements, the seasonal quality of the climate for tourism and outdoor recreation is given in detail. The final section, Part "D" contains material of a more general interest to recreation and tourism, and which complements some of the information found in earlier sections.

Figures and tables have been numbered consecutively through the text, but have been inserted after the appropriate section (Introduction, Part A, Part B, etc.).

The data used in the analyses were almost exclusively in English units. In this report, however, the results are shown in Metric units with English units usually added in parentheses. The data in most cases were prepared in English units and the decimal fractions in the Metric conversions rounded off to avoid spurious accuracy. These Metric approximations result in no significant loss of accuracy. It should be noted, however, that in the case of the criteria used in the computer calculation of suitable days as outlined in Table 6, the English units are exact.

Readers should note that while the text, figures and tables provide a regionally reliable analysis, local exceptions may be significant, particularly in areas with varied topography or in areas of differing

exposure. In particular, conditions along all major coasts of both the Island of Newfoundland and Labrador are frequently vastly different than at localities only a short distance inland. These differences must be reflected in the long-term climatic normals. Knowledge of the exposures and situations of the individual climatological stations used in the analyses were taken under consideration. It was not always possible, however, to delineate the probable variation in the analyses of climatic elements and quality with complete satisfaction near the coasts on the map scale used. In some cases, only spot values were used on the maps, no isopleths being drawn. Finer detail can be reliably estimated only when the meteorological observation network is expanded to include many locations. Tourism and outdoor recreation authorities can assist in this matter by defining the degree to which weather factors influence their programs and by cooperative activities with the Atmospheric Environment Service for the regular measurement of such factors as water and air temperatures, wind velocities, and snow depth in their own areas of interest.

Because topography has such a strong influence on the climate,

Figure 1 is included, which shows the main physiographical features

of the Province and surrounding area.

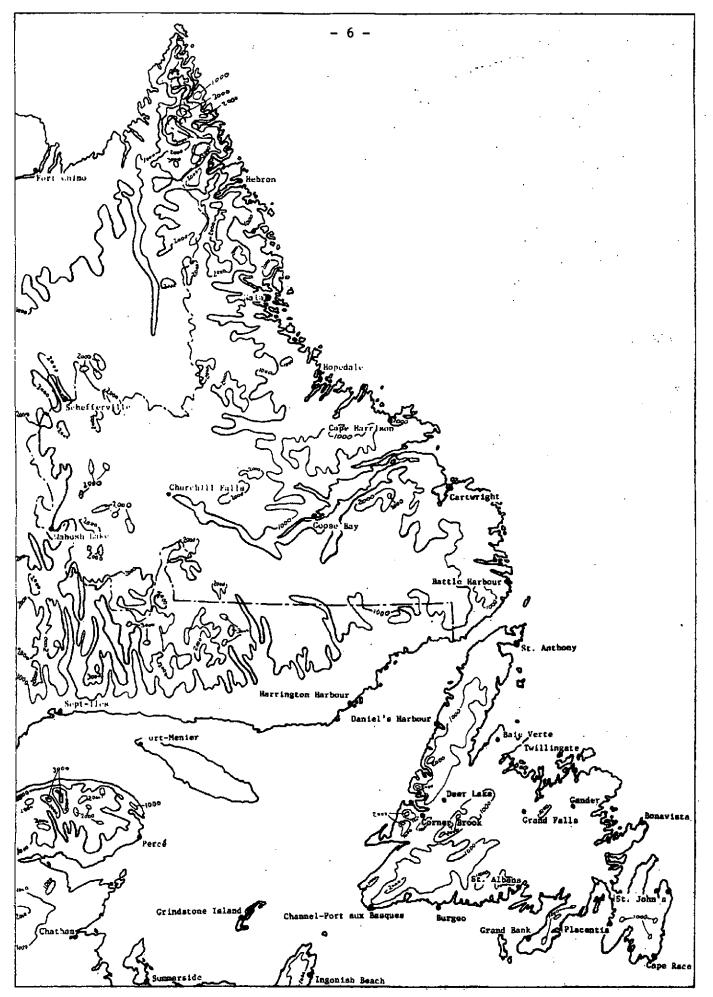


FIG. 1 TOPOGRAPHY OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

# PART A

OBJECTIVES AND METHOD OF APPROACH

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#### GENERAL IMPORTANCE OF CLIMATE FOR TOURISM AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

Successful planning and development of tourism and outdoor recreation facilities in any area depends significantly on the degree of satisfaction that can be derived from outdoor pursuits. The weather influences almost all outdoor activity. Sunshine, precipitation, temperature and wind all have an effect.

Climate information must be available in an organized and standard form to make it convenient for use in decision-making. Comparisons of weather conditions at different sites that may be near each other or distributed province-wide then can be made readily. Comparisons for locations for which no climate observations are available may be achieved through values estimated from analyzed charts and diagrams.

#### II. TOURIST AND OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES

The basic tourist and outdoor recreation activities that characterize the Canadian scene and their weather requirements have been outlined by Crowe, McKay and Baker (1973). While the number of outdoor pursuits is large, they found seven activity groupings of major concern:

- 1. Landscape touring by automobile
- 2. Lounging and non-active outdoor pursuits
- 3. Vigorous outdoor activities, such as hiking, hunting, sports
- 4. Beaching, including sunbathing and other beach activities except swimming
- 5. Swimming and other water-based sports
- 6. Skiing
- 7. Snowmobiling

Activities or activity groupings can readily be classified according to season.

#### Year-round Activities

In many areas of Canada landscape touring may be classified as a year-round activity. Because of the comfort of travelling by automobile, touring is the activity least affected by weather and may be enjoyed throughout most of the year in many parts of the country. Also, use of the summer cottage is being extended beyond the summer season.

#### Summer Activities

Some summer activities, such as picnicking and lounging are satisfying in cool weather as well as in warm. Beaching, on the other hand, requires temperatures of at least  $18^{\circ}\text{C}$  (65°F) and sunshine. These activities are inhibited by rain or strong wind.

The more vigorous summer activities, such as hiking, hunting and sports, are enjoyed best when temperatures are neither high nor extremely low. Moderate winds can be tolerated, but significant precipitation cannot.

Water-based activities, such as swimming and water skiing, require water temperatures in the upper teens as well as air temperatures of at least  $18^{\circ}$ C ( $65^{\circ}$ F), preferably with sunshine.

#### Winter Activities

The main activities of winter are skiing and snowmobiling.

Others, such as ice skating, snowshoeing, ice fishing, ice boating, and winter

hunting, are linked to the presence of ice and snow cover and, indeed, may involve skiing or snowmobiling. The climatic requirements of most of these activities are similar, although snowmobilers can usually tolerate lower temperatures than skiers. Some falling and blowing snow and wind can be tolerated by skiers and snowmobilers, but at times access routes become blocked and local terrain conditions limiting.

#### Activities Discussed in this Study

In this study, very little comment is made concerning swimming, since water temperatures over broad areas of the Province are generally too low to make this activity pleasurable. In addition, lounging and non-active pursuits are not of the same significance as they are in many regions of Canada. Because of the preponderance of low summer temperatures, most outdoor activities in this season in Newfoundland and Labrador are essentially vigorous, such as hiking, hunting, or sports. However, it is important to note that locally, passive activities may be engaged in at times to a considerable degree with reasonable satisfaction.

In addition to the activities or activity groupings described above, it was decided to add yachting or coastal touring by boat. Touring by sailboat and powerboat around the coasts of Newfoundland and Labrador has been growing in popularity. Obviously, these activities will be most enjoyable when coastal waters are free from ice, fog is relatively infrequent, temperatures moderate, and before the onset of the numerous and vigorous late autumn and early winter storms.

#### III. NATURE AND AVAILABILITY OF WEATHER DATA

Most of the available weather records for Newfoundland and Labrador collected by the Atmospheric Environment Service were used in this study. In Labrador, data available from fifteen stations were supplemented by those from twenty-three Quebec stations located on or near the Quebec-Labrador border or the nearby shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. On the Island of Newfoundland data were available from sixty-three stations. These together with those data for thirteen stations in the Maritimes were used.

The length and period of records at these stations varied greatly. Wherever possible, climatic means were updated to December 31, 1973. Much use has been made of the observations recorded during the thirty years, 1941-1970, but shorter-period records were used where necessary. In order to improve the quality of the means or averages from shorter periods (less than fifteen years), adjustments were made by comparison with data from longer term stations (Aston and Kendall, 1972).

The network of stations used in the analysis of climatological elements is depicted in Figure 2, while their elevations and observation programs are given in Table 1. Regions identified in Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland for the purpose of description are given in Figure 3. Generally, the stations appearing in tables are grouped according to those regions. Stations used in the computation of percentages of suitable days (see Section IV, below) are also included in Figure 3.

#### IV. SUMMARY OF APPROACH AND METHOD

Initially, the weather requirements for each activity or activity grouping were established. For example, the acceptable values of temperature and wind speed and depth of snow required for skiing were determined.

A computer analysis of hourly weather records was performed for twenty-three stations in the Island of Newfoundland, Labrador and neighbouring Quebec. A suitable day was defined as one during which there were five hourly reports between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., inclusive (local standard time), which satisfied specified conditions. From this, mean percentages of days with suitable weather conditions for landscape touring, skiing, snowmobiling, vigorous activity and beaching were determined by ten-day periods for each station.

An attempt was made to estimate the percentages of suitable days for yachting by relating the weather requirements for this activity with those of landscape touring, which are somewhat similar. In addition, records of wind, visibility, fog, the frequency of storms, the presence of ice, etc., were studied. Tabulations were then assembled to present what, it is hoped, will be a useful guide for sailboat and powerboat operators.

Because of the irregular spacing of climatological stations, it was necessary to construct climatological information for some areas. Admittedly, synthetic data of this type are less then ideal. However,

by following the established procedures of physical climatology and drawing on analytical experience, the results are believed to be reasonable.

TABLE 1
LIST OF STATIONS USED IN THE ANALYSIS

1	Elements	Elevation		
	reported	meters	feet	
Argentia A	TPW	14	45	
Avondale CDA	's	133	435	
Badger	TP	101	330	
Baie Verte	TP	110	362	
Battle Harbour Loran	TPWS	. 9	31	
Bay d'Espoir Gen Stn	TP	23	75	
Belle Isle	TPS	130	426	
Bonavista	TPW	25	82	
Botwood	TP	9	31	
Buchans	TP	281	920	
Buchans A	TPW	220	720	
Burgeo	TPWS	12	40	
Burin	TP	M	M	
*Burnt Pond	TP		•	
Cape Broyle	P	6	20	
Cape Harrison	TPWS	10	33	
Cape Norman	P	19	61	
Cape Race	TPW	30	99	
Cartwright	TPW	10	34	
Churchill Falls A	TPWS	435	1426	
Clunys	P	122	400	
Colinet	TP	20	65	
Colinet Peat Bog CDA	TPS	104	342	
Comfort Cove	TPW	99	326	
Corner Brook	TP	5	15	
Daniel's Harbour	TPS	20	64	
Deer Lake	TP	M	M	
Deer Lake A	TPW	11	35	

Table 1 (Cont'd)

Station	Elements	Elevation		
	reported	meters	feet	
*Ebbegunbaeg Lake	TP	M	м	
Exploits Dam	TP	154	504	
Fogo	TP	147	482	
Gander Int'1 A	TPWS	147	482	
Glenwood	TP	30	100	
Goose Bay A	TPWS	44	144	
Grand Bank	TPW	2	5	
Grand Falls	TP	60	197	
*Hampden	TP	21	68	
Hearts Content	TP	4	12	
Hebron	TP	8	25	
Holyrood Golden Eagle	TP	7	23	
Hopedale	TPW	11	35	
Lethbridge CDA EPF	TP	21	70	
Lockston	P	6	20	
Long Harbour	TP	8	26	
Menihek Rapids	TP	489	1605	
Millertown	TP	211	692	
Nain	TP	6	20	
New Chelsea	TP	11	35	
North West River	TP	M	M	
Nutak	Т	2	5	
Petty Harbour	TP	5	17	
Pierres Brook	TP	5	17	
Placentia	S	13	43	
Point Amour	P	47	155	
Point Riche	TP	11	35	
Port aux Basques	TPW	7	24	
Port Union	P	5	15	
Rattling Brk Norris Arm	TP	9	29	
*Rocky Harbour	TP '	20	67	

Table 1 (Cont'd)

Station	Elements	Ele	levation	
	reported	meters	feet	
*Roddickton	TP	12	40	
Saglek	' <b>T</b> P	21	70	
*St. Alban's	TPW	13	44	
St. Andrews	TPW	1,1	35	
St. Anthony	TPW	17	57	
St. Anthony A	W	6	21	
St. Georges	TP	3	10	
St. John's	TP.	38/61	125/200	
St. John's A	TPWS	141	463	
St. John's West CDA	TPS	114	375	
St. Lawrence	TPW	33	109	
Salmonier	TP	122	400	
Sandgirt Lake	TP	453	1485	
Seal Cove	TP	14	. 47	
Springdale	TP	11	35	
Stephenville A	TPWS	13	44	
Terra Nova National Park HQ	TP	99	325	
Tors Cove	P	5	17	
Twillingate	· TPW	. 5	16	
Twin Falls	TP	483	1585	
Wabush Lake A	TPW	551	1807	
Westbrook St. Lawrence	TP	30	100	
*Woody Point	TP	9	30	

<sup>\*</sup> Very short-term record

T - temperature

P - precipitation

W - wind

S - sunshine

M - missing

A - airport site

CDA - Canada, Department of Agriculture

EPF - experimental farm

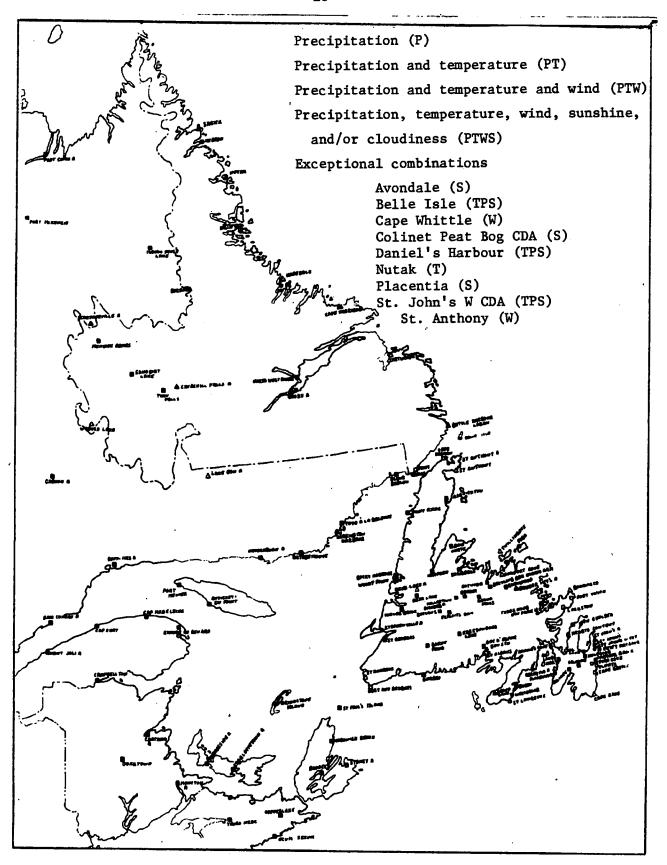


FIG. 2 CLIMATOLOGICAL STATIONS USED IN THE ANALYSIS

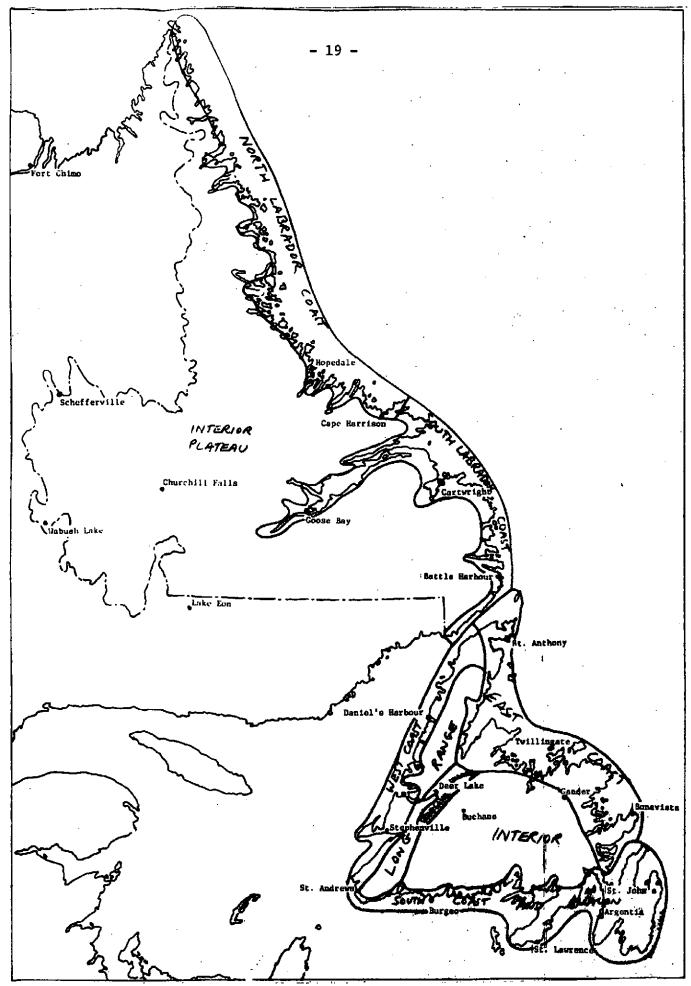


FIG. 3 RECREATION AND TOURISM REGIONS AND STATIONS USED IN SUITABILITY-DAY ANALYSIS

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# PART B

TOURISM AND RECREATION SEASONS

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## I. BASIC SEASONAL DIVISIONS

Crowe, McKay and Baker (1973) found a basic two-season division to be the most convenient for the purposes of a tourism and recreation climate study. For winter activities previously noted, a snow and ice cover are requisites. For summer activities, a relatively dry-terrain is necessary. Spring and autumn are combined with the warmest months of the year (July and August) to form the complete summer season. The terms used for the internal divisions of the complete summer season are spring shoulder, high summer and autumn shoulder. An arbitrary two-week period is allowed for the spring thaw, the period when outdoor activities are minimal. At this time, the runoff from the melting snow is occurring, and frost is coming out of the ground. These divisions of the year are depicted in Figure 4.

#### II. CRITERIA FOR DETERMING SEASONAL LENGTH

For outdoor activities to be satisfying in any season, weather conditions must measure up to an acceptable standard. The criteria, selected to describe such standards, are convenient also for determining the length of the seasons, and are described below:

- Winter begins on median date of first snow cover

  2.5 cm (1 inch) or more
  - terminates on median date of last snow cover of 2.5 cm (1 inch) or more
- Spring thaw a two-week period following the termination of winter

Spring shoulder - begins with termination of the spring thaw and ends with the start of high summer

High summer - begins on date that the mean daily maximum temperature rises above  $18^{\circ}\text{C}$  (65°F)

- terminates on date that the mean daily maximum temperature falls below  $18^{\circ}\text{C}$  (65°F)

Autumn shoulder - begins with the termination of high summer and ends with the onset of winter.

At a number of localities there is no high summer period. That is, the mean daily maximum temperature is never higher than  $18^{\circ}$ C ( $65^{\circ}$ F) at any time during the summer. In these cases it seems logical to make the mid-point of summer the dividing line between the spring shoulder and the autumn shoulder.

Figure 4 was constructed on the basis of the above criteria. The schematic representation in the figure was intended to depict the seasonal patterns and the periods of the year in which tourists pursue the various outdoor activities. While this figure indicates that weather conditions are suitable for landscape touring throughout the year, the line for touring is broken, as there will be interruptions during the winter season. For brief periods of perhaps several consecutive days on the Island of Newfoundland and in Southern Labrador, during the passage of storms, snow, freezing rain or wind sometimes make driving itself hazardous and, occasionally, impossible. In any case, landscape touring is strictly a local activity during the winter.

### The Winter Season

Since the winter season has been defined as the snow-cover season, it would be desirable to have extensive records of the beginning and ending of the snow-cover season, and of measurements of snow depth. Such information has been organized on a national scale by Potter (1965). Information is presented in a form convenient for use in outlining the snow-cover season, and the publication contains data for ten stations in the Island of Newfoundland, five stations in Labrador and an additional twenty-five stations were found to be useful in neighbouring Quebec and the Maritimes. In order to prepare regional maps in more detail than this information permits, a method used by Gates (1975) was tested against Potter's snow cover information for both Island and Labrador sites. It was found that the date on which the mean minimum temperature in the spring rose to  $-0.6^{\circ}$ C (31 $^{\circ}$ F) and the date the mean daily maximum in the autumn fell to 4.4°C (40°F) agreed very closely with Potter's median dates for the first and last reports of one inch of snow on the ground. made available estimated median dates of the first and last snow cover for fifty-five new locations on the Island of Newfoundland, the Maritimes, Labrador and adjacent regions of Quebec.

In discussing variations from one winter to another, Potter (1965) notes that the dates of the first and last snow cover can be earlier or later than the median date by as much as four weeks. Also, it is normal for the snow cover to disappear and reappear at the start and finish of the season, as is illustrated in Figures 5 to 9. Consequently, the period of reliable or continuous snow cover is usually shorter than

the complete winter. Indeed, during some winters, stations in southern parts of the Island of Newfoundland may never acquire a stable or lasting snow cover. It cannot be emphasized too much that variations from year to year are great. In Figures 5 to 9, the top graph represents a typical year with lighter snow cover and the bottom a typical year with heavier snow cover. Potter's (1965) values for reliability, percentages of the winter season when snow is actually present on the ground, are given in Figure 10. In areas where skiing is known to be satisfactory his values are 80 per cent or higher. His snow cover frequency graphs, Figure 11, give for six locations some idea of when the snow cover is most reliable. Changes in snow cover through the winter (median values of snow depth at the end of each month) are illustrated in Figures 12 to 19.

That part of the winter during which the air temperature seldom rises above the freezing point is likely the best time for good snow quality. This interval may be approximated by the period during which the daily maximum temperature does not exceed 0°C (32°F). This interval is necessarily shorter than the period during which the mean daily temperature is equal to or less than 0°C (see Figures 20, 21, 22), but the two periods are related. From Table 2, it can be seen that in Labrador the mean daily maximum temperature falls to 0°C about 15 days later than does the mean daily temperature, while on the Island of Newfoundland the same event occurs about 20 days later. The mean daily maximum rises to 0°C in spring about 22 days earlier in Labrador and about 25 to 30 days earlier on the Island than does the mean daily temperature.

#### The Summer Season

The period immediately following the disappearance of the snow cover, designated as the *spring thaw*, has been given a length, arbitrarily, of two weeks. While it is recognized that the drying of the landscape will take longer in some areas than in others, data are not directly available to document this. The first day of the complete summer season was, therefore, calculated as 15 days following the last day of the winter season.

To examine the rates of the temperature rise and fall throughout the Province in spring and autumn, graphs were prepared for all stations using the mean daily maximum temperatures. The mean monthly values were plotted on the 15th day of the month. A few examples are given in Figure 23. By interpolation, these graphs yield the average dates on which the mean daily maximum temperatures rise or fall to 18°C (65°F). These dates mark the beginning and ending of high summer at each station. It is important to note that long-term means (30 years) were used, as variations from one year to another can be large. Figure 24 illustrates graphs of actual maximum temperature at Gander in a warm summer, 1967, and in a cool summer, 1968.

#### III. SEASONAL LENGTH PATTERNS

#### (a) Introduction

The following descriptions of the tourism and recreation seasons are based mainly on charts of beginning and ending dates of seasons and season length (Figures 10 and 25 to 35). The reader is also referred to Table 3, in which data are presented in tabular form for a number of stations, and to Figures 36 and 37, in which the season lengths are shown in diagrammatic form for a number of stations.

#### (b) The Winter Season

Labrador

Winter, with its snow cover, comes to northern Labrador in early October and gradually progresses southward to reach southeastern Labrador near the end of October or early November (Figure 25). This, naturally, is a result of the effects of latitude and the outbreaks of cold air from the northwest.

The median date of the beginning of winter for Schefferville, September 27, is about three weeks earlier than that for Hopedale or Cape Harrison, localities on the coast at approximately the same latitude. The elevation of Schefferville (512 m, 1681 ft.) and its position near the centre of the Labrador landmass, no doubt, contribute to the early onset of winter. Not until about two weeks later than Schefferville do Labrador City, Wabush and Churchill Falls usually see the arrival of winter. Directly to the east, in the Goose Bay area, it does not arrive until another two weeks have passed. The delay in the arrival of

winter in the area of Hamilton Inlet and Lake Melville in all likelihood, is matched by similar delays in many nearby inlets along the coast, wherever there is an effective sheltering by higher terrain.

After a period, characterized by a continually frozen landscape, frequent low temperatures, and relatively few major storms compared to the Island of Newfoundland, winter comes to an end about mid-May in Hamilton Inlet (Figure 26) and along the coast southward to the Strait of Belle Isle. Toward the end of May the snow begins to disappear in western Labrador. Farther north on the coast, at Nain and Hebron for example, it is early to mid-June before this happens, and still later in June near the Torngat Mountains.

The length of the winter season (Figure 10) ranges from about 200 days along the south Labrador coast to about 260 days over extreme northern Labrador.

#### Island of Newfoundland

The snow comes to the Great Northern Peninsula early in November (Figure 25) and by mid-November to much of the higher ground in the western half of Newfoundland. During the third and fourth weeks of November winter begins over all of the remainder of the Island except the Avalon Peninsula and the most southerly coast of the Burin Peninsula. On the Avalon Peninsula the snow generally arrives during the first two weeks of December. The progression of the season is fairly logical, from the northwest toward the southeast, except at Gander which has a rather early date (November 2) compared to surrounding points. Very likely

this is a result of the elevation (147 m, 482 ft.) of Gander Airport, the surrounding upslope terrain, and the occurrence of light snow in the cold periods that follow the passage of the late October and early November depressions.

The final disappearance of snow begins on the Avalon and Burin Peninsulas in middle and late April (Figure 26). This progresses toward the northwest, occurring in central localities early in May and on the hills of the Great Northern Peninsula after mid-May.

The West Coast area is worthy of comment. Note the early disappearance of snow at Stephenville and Daniel's Harbour. The more frequent easterly winds at this time of year, blowing downslope from the Long Range Mountains onto the coast, bring about the melting of the snow at about the same time as it disappears in southeastern regions of the Island.

#### (c) The Spring Thaw

In cooler maritime climate the spring thaw will vary considerably from the two-week period arbitrarily chosen for it. Two weeks may be realistic for inland points, but four weeks may be closer to reality for coastal points, especially where there is sea ice nearby. While the late-winter period of unreliable snow cover with its one or more disappearances and reappearances is still technically called winter in this study, Newfoundlanders think of this as a part of spring.

#### (d) The Summer Season

The complete summer season (Figure 4) is composed of the spring shoulder, high summer, and autumn shoulder. Thus, the length of the complete summer (Figure 27) is the sum of its component parts (Figures 28, 29, 30). In areas where the mean daily maximum temperature does not reach  $18^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $65^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) at any time during the summer, there is, of course, no high summer (Figure 29), and the lengths of the spring and autumn shoulders (Figures 28 and 30) are indeterminate. In Figure 31, the areas of no high summer are again shown, but at selected stations within these areas the highest mean daily maximum temperatures during the summer are given along with their dates of occurrence. Many of these means reach  $15\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $60^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) or more. As a result, Table 4 was prepared to indicate the length of period during which the mean daily maximum is higher than  $15\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $60^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) at a number of stations that do not have any high summer.

# Labrador North of Latitude 54°N

The spring shoulder of the summer season begins over northern Labrador during the latter half of June (Figure 32). However, the mean daily maximum temperature is generally less than  $18^{\circ}$ C ( $65^{\circ}$ F) at the height of the season, so that virtually the whole area does not have a high summer. The autumn shoulder ends with the beginning of winter (Figure 25), so that the length of the complete summer season (Figure 27) ranges from about 150 days at the coast near Cape Harrison to about 100 days over extreme northern Labrador.

Because the area north of the 54th parallel has been indicated as an area of no high summer, this is not to say that there is no warmth during the summer in this area. On the contrary, temperatures on warm days are commonly in the twenties. Some of the highest temperatures recorded in this area are 37°C (98°F) at Cape Harrison and 33°C (92°F) at Hopedale (Table 5). Nevertheless, these warm periods are interspersed with frequent cool periods, resulting in averages of daily maximum temperatures for the months of July and August being less than 18°C (65°F).

# Labrador South of Latitude 54°N

In the coastal area south of Cartwright and in the Lake Melville area, the spring shoulder of the summer season begins at the end of May or early in June (Figure 32) and progresses gradually northward.

In western Labrador it begins at most locations simultaneously, generally in the period, June 9 to 12.

At the end of June or early July high summer comes to southern Labrador (Figure 33), appearing first at Goose Bay and in the Lake Melville area. At other points, for example, Cartwright on the coast and Churchill Falls and Labrador City inland, it is mid-July when high summer arrives. At some coastal localities, particularly along the Strait of Belle Isle, there is no high summer, as the mean daily maximum temperature does not reach 18°C (65°F) during the course of the summer.

Lowering temperatures are apparent as mid-August approaches, and by the end of the month maximum temperatures are often near  $13^{\circ}\text{C}$  (55°F)

and night-time minimum readings near 4°C (40°F). Except in the Lake Melville area the autumn shoulder of the summer season usually has begun by August 10 (Figure 34). By contrast, at Goose Bay and Northwest River the end of high summer and the beginning of the autumn shoulder usually does not occur until late August or early September.

The autumn shoulder ends with the beginning of winter (Figure 25), so that the length of the complete summer season (Figure 27) ranges from about 160 days along the south Labrador coast to about 120 days in western Labrador. Of this period, the length of high summer (Figure 29) ranges from about 60 days in the Goose Bay area to zero along the outer south Labrador coast.

#### Island of Newfoundland

The spring shoulder of the summer season begins over the southern sections of the Island in late April or early May (Figure 32), progressing regularly northward to reach central and northern parts of the Island by the end of May. Spring comes to the West Coast at about the same time as it does to the Avalon Peninsula, that is, ten to twenty days earlier than to nearby parts of the central and northern sections of the Island.

High summer follows on the date on which the mean daily maximum temperature reaches 18°C (65°F). Such dates are analyzed in Figure 33. This chart indicates that high summer comes first to central sections of the Island of Newfoundland from Deer Lake to Bishop's Falls. This area, remote from the cold sea, is representative of the interior of the Island.

The area of early arrival of high summer is displaced a little to the northeast of the centre of the Island by the prevailing southwesterly winds.

Along the South Coast and in the Strait of Belle Isle, where winds are frequently onshore, there is no high summer, as the average of the daily maximum temperatures does not reach 18°C (65°F) at the height of the summer. This effect is normally confined closely to the coastline, as several miles inland the warmth of the sun is felt in the afternoon almost as much as it is in central sections of the Island.

Temperatures fall in late August and early September, but it is in the centre of the Island again and along the southern shore of Conception Bay that afternoons remain warm through the first week of September, thus delaying the arrival of the autumn shoulder of the summer season (Figure 34).

The autumn shoulder ends with the beginning of winter (Figure 25), so that the length of the complete summer season (Figure 27) ranges from about 220 days over southeast coastal regions of the Island to about 160 days over the Great Northern Peninsula. Of this period, the length of high summer (Figure 29) ranges from about 80 days in the central, interior parts of the Island to zero along some of the exposed outer coastal islands.

## (e) Comparison of Lengths of Summer and Winter Seasons

It is interesting to see at a glance a comparison of the lengths of the complete summer and winter season as is mapped in Figure 35.

Summer is equal in length to winter along the line drawn just north of Baie Verte and Daniel's Harbour. On the Avalon Peninsula and the West Coast summer is two months or more longer than winter, whereas in Labrador west and north of Goose Bay the winter is two months or more longer than summer.

TABLE 2

COMPARISON OF LENGTHS OF PERIODS WHEN MEAN DAILY TEMPERATURE
IS LESS THAN O°C (32°F) AND MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM IS LESS THAN 0°C (32°F)

Station	Mean daily temp. falls to 0°C	• •		Mean daily max. rises to 0°C	•	Diff- erence
Wabush Lake	Oct. 16	Oct. 30	14	Apr. 13	May 6	23
Churchill Falls	Oct. 16	Nov. 1	16	Apr. 18	May 7	19
Goose Bay	Nov. 1	Nov. 15	14	Apr. 1	Apr. 25	24
Cartwright	Nov. 6	Nov. 22	16	Apr. 6	Apr. 29	23
Daniel's Harbour Stephenville	Nov. 29 Dec. 3	Dec. 15 Dec. 22	16 19	Mar. 21 Mar. 6	Apr. 15 Apr. 4	25 29
Deer Lake Buchans	Nov. 24	Dec. 12 Dec. 6	18 18	Mar. 7	Apr. 11 Apr. 20	35 25
Grand Falls	Nov. 29	Dec. 18	20	Mar. 6	Apr. 8	29
Gander	Nov. 27	Dec. 14	17	Mar. 12	Apr. 11	30
St. John's	Dec. 8	Jan. 6	29	Mar. 2	Apr. 8	37

TABLE 3

MEAN BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF SEASONS AND SEASON LENGTHS

			ME	AN DA	TES						LENGTHS O	SEASON	S IN DAYS	
		WI	NTER				LETE SUMMER							
					Sprin should	ler	High summer	Hig summ	er		Spring	High	Autumn	Complete
Locality	Firet	day	Last	day	First	day	First day	Last	day	Winter	<u>shoulder</u>	Summer	<u> </u>	summer
						LA	BRADO	R						•
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST	•									•				•
Hebron	Oct.	16	Jun.	10	Jun. 2	25	nhs	NHS		238	-	0	-	113
Nain	Oct.	13	Jun.	10	Jun. 2	25	nhs	NHS		241	-	0	-	110
Hopedale	Oct.	25	May	31	Jun. 1	15	nhs	NHS		219	-	0	-	132
Cape Harrison	Oct.	25	Jun.	6	Jun. 2	21	nhs ·	NHS		225	-	0	-	126
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST				:										
Northwest River	Oct.	30	May	15	May 3	30	Jul. 2	Sep.	9	198	33	70	50	153
Goose Bay	Oct.	23	May	15	May 3	30	Jun. 28	Aug.	23	205	29	57	60	146
Çartwright	Oct.	27	May	20	Jun.	4	Jul. 14	Aug.	8	206	40	26	79	145
Battle Harbour (Loran)	Nov.	4	May	19	Jun -	3	NHS	nhs		197	-	0	-	154
INTERIOR PLATEAU									•				•	
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	Oct.	13	May	22	Jun .	6	NHS	NHS		222	-	. 0	-	129
Indian House Lake (P.Q.)	Oct.	8	Jun.	6	Jun. 2	21	NHS	nhs		242	-	. 0	-	109
Border (P.Q.)	Oct.	8	Jun.	7	Jun. 2		nes	NHS		243	-	0	-	108
Schefferville (P.Q.)	Sep.		May	27	Jun. 1		nhs ·	nhs		243	-	0	-	108
Churchill Falls	Oct.		May	26	Jun. 1	LO	Jul • 12	Aug.	9	226	32	29	64	125
labush Lake	Oct.		May	25		9	Ju1 · 13	Aug.	7	226	34	26	65	125
Lake Eon (P.Q.)	Oct.	14	May	23	Jun•	7	Jul • 15	Aug.	5	222	38	22	69	129

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	· [	MEAN	DATES	<del></del>		г	I DUCTUC	AP CPAC	ONS IN DAY	
·		Winter	COMP	LETE SIDMER	<del></del>		PENGING	OF SEAS	ONS IN DAT	<u> </u>
Locality	First day	. 1004 1	Spring shoulder	High summer	High Summer		Spring	High	Autumn	Complete
	I FILE GAY	гияс сау	Piret day	First day	Last day	Winter	shoulder	summer	shoulder	Summer
WEST_COAST		1 \$	LAND O	FNEWFO	UNDLA	ND				
Daniel's Harbour	Nov. 19	Apr. 12	Apr. 27	Jul. 22	Aug. 10	145	86	20	100	207
Stephenville	Nov. 20	Apr. 15	Apr. 30	Jul. 6	Aug. 28	147	67	54	83	206
St. Georges	Nov. 24	Apr. 15	Apr. 30	Jul. 14	Aug. 20	143	75	38	95	204
St. Andrews	Nov. 29	Apr. 24	May 9	Jul. 9	Aug. 27	147	61	50	93	208 204
EAST COAST		·	•			247	<b>V1</b>	50	7.3	204
St. Anthony	Nov. 13	May 4	May - 19	Jul. 25	Aug. 3	173	67	10	101	
Springdale	Nov. 17	May 8	May 23	Jun. 19	Sep. 6	173	27	80	101	178
Twillingate	Nov. 14	May 3	May 18	Jul. 9	Aug. 21	171	52	44	71 84	178
Terra Nova National .		•	,		g. L1	47.4	3.	44	04	180
Park	Nov. 20	Apr. 29	May 14	Jun. 24	Sep. 5	161	41	74	75	100
Bonavieta	Nov. 24	May 6	May 21	Jul. 12	Aug. 18	164	52	38	73 97	190 187
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON								30	71	167
St. John's A	Nov. 28	May 4	May 19	Jul. 5	Aug. 26	158	47	53	0.2	
Argentia	Dec. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 23	NHS	NHS	125	~/ -	) 0	93	193
St. Lawrence	Nov. 26	Apr. 9	Apr. 24	NHS	NHS	135	_	0	-	226
Grand Bank	Nov. 27	Apr. 11	Apr 26	Jul. 14	Aug. 25	136	- 79	43	-	216
Burgeo	Nov. 26	Apr. 21	May 6	NHS	NHS	147	-	43 0	93	215
GRAND LAKE LOWLANDS		•	•		******	***	-	U	-	204
Deer Lake A	Nov. 21	Apr. 30	May 15	Jun. 16	Sep. 6	161	32	83	75	190

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Table 3 (Cont'd)

	<u> </u>	MEAN D	ATES			LENGTHS OF SEASONS IN DAYS			N DAYS	
	V	INTER	CO	mplete sum	<b>E</b> R					T
			Spring shoulder	High summer	High summer		Spring	High	Autumn	Complete
Locality	First day	Last day	First day	First day	Last day	Winter	shoulder	summer	shoulder	summer
INTERIOR								•		
Buchans	Nov. 16	May 5	May 20	Jun. 27	Aug. 29	171	38	64	78	180
Grand Falls	Nov. 22	Apr. 30	May 15	Jun. 19	Sep. 9	160	35	83	73	191
Rattling Brook	Nov. 21	Apr. 29	May 14	Jun. 14	Sep. 9	160	31	88	72	191
Gander	Nov. 2	May 6	May 21	Jun. 25	Sep. 2	186	35	70	60	165
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Halifax, N.S.	Dec. 5	Apr. 3	Apr. 18	Jun. 10	Sep. 22	120	53	105	73	231
Fredericton, N.B.	Nov. 20	Apr. 13	Apr. 28	May 22	Sep. 21	145	24	123	59	206
Charlottetown, P.B.I.	Nov. 20	Apr. 19	May 4	Jun. 13	Sep. 15	151	40	95	65	200

· NHS - no high summer

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TABLE 4 LENGTH OF PERIOD MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE IS HIGHER THAN  $15\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ C (60°F) AT STATIONS WITH NO HIGH SUMMER

Station	Period mean daily maximum temperature exceeds 15½°C(60°F)	No. of days
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	July 6 - Aug. 14	39
Nain	July 16 - Aug. 14	29
Indian House Lake (P.Q.)	July 3 - Aug. 14	42
Hopedale	July 20 - Aug. 6	17
Cape Harrison	July 6 - Aug. 24	49
Border (P.Q.)	July 10 - Aug. 8	29
Schefferville (P.Q.)	July 1 - Aug. 13	44
Menihek Rapids	July 2 - Aug. 14	44
Harrington Hr. (P.Q.)	July 16 - Aug. 20	35
Gethsemanie (P.Q.)	July 10 - Aug. 24	45
Burgeo	July 12 - Sept. 10	60
Burin	July 8 - Sept. 6	60
Argentia	July 9 - Sept. 11	64
Cape Race	July 18 - Sept. 2	46

TABLE 5

# EXTREME ANNUAL MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM TEMPERATURE AT SELECTED STATIONS

	οС	oF		оС	of
LABRADOR					·····
Northern Half of Coas	<u>st</u>		Interior Plateau		
Hopedale	33.3/-40.0	92/-40	Fort Chimo, P.Q.	32.2/-46.7	90/-52
Cape Harrison	36.7/-35.6	98/-32	Schefferville, P.Q.	·	
Courtema Walf of Co.	- <b>-</b>		Wabush Lake	31.1/-47.8	88/-54
Southern Half of Coa	ast		Churchill Falls	20 (/ / 0 0	07/ /7
Goose Bay	37.8/-39.4	100/-39	(Twin Falls)	30.6/-43.9	•
Cartwright	36.1/-37.8	97/-36	Lake Eon, P.Q.	28.9/-46.1	84/-51
Battle Harbour	28.9/-32.8	84/-27			
ISLAND OF NEWFOUND-					•
West Coast		<u>3</u>	South Coast and Avalo	<u>n</u>	
Daniel's Harbour	28.9/-39.4	84/-39	St. John's A	30.6/-23.3	87/-10
Corner Brook	34.4/-31.7	94/-25	Argentia	26.1/-20.0	79/- 4
Stephenville	30.6/-27.2	87/-17	Grand Bank	30.0/-20.0	86/- 4
St. Andrews	32.2/-28.9	90/-20	Burgeo	26.1/-23.9	79/–11
East Coast	•	-	Interior		
St. Anthony	31.1/-32.2	88/-26	Gander	35.6/-27.2	96/-17*
Twillingate	34.4/-26.1	94/-15	Grand Falls	34.4/-33.3	
Bonavista	30.6/-24.4	87/-12	Buchans	34.4/-37.2	•
Grand Lake Lowlands					
Deer Lake	35.6/-37.2	96/-35			

Records to 1970  $\star$  New record low -30.9°C (-24°F) February 1975.

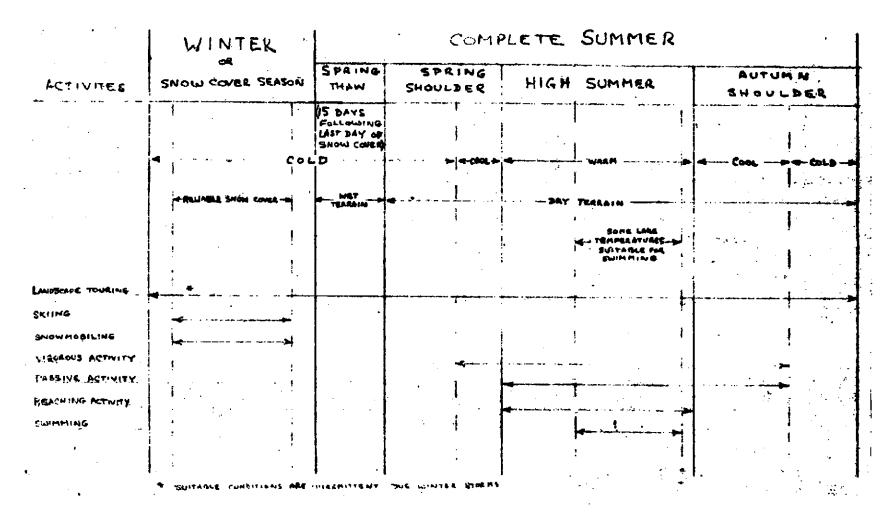


FIG. 1 TOURISM AND RECREATION SEASONS

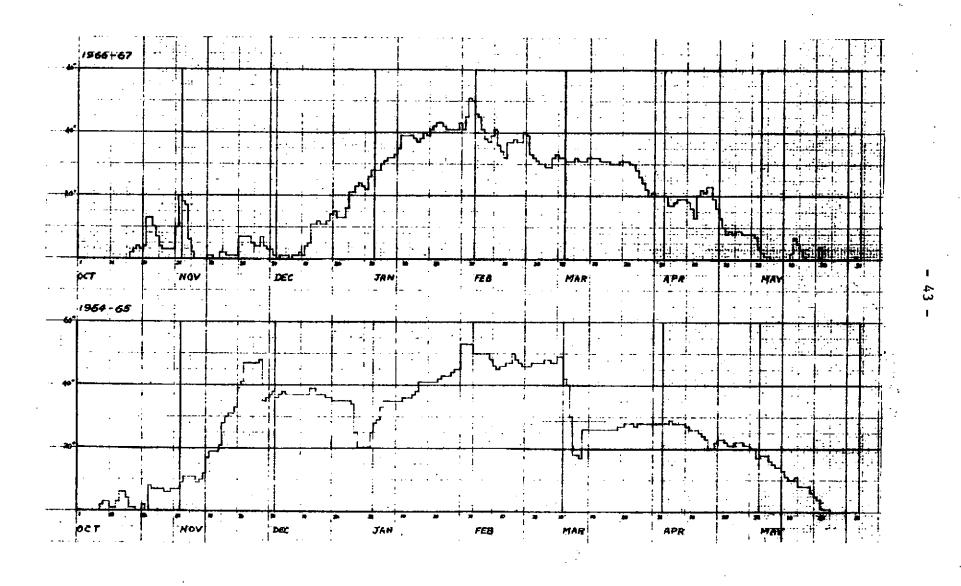


FIG. 5 DAILY SNOW DEPTHS FOR TYPICAL WINTERS OF LIGHT AND HEAVY SNOW COVER - WABUSH LAKE



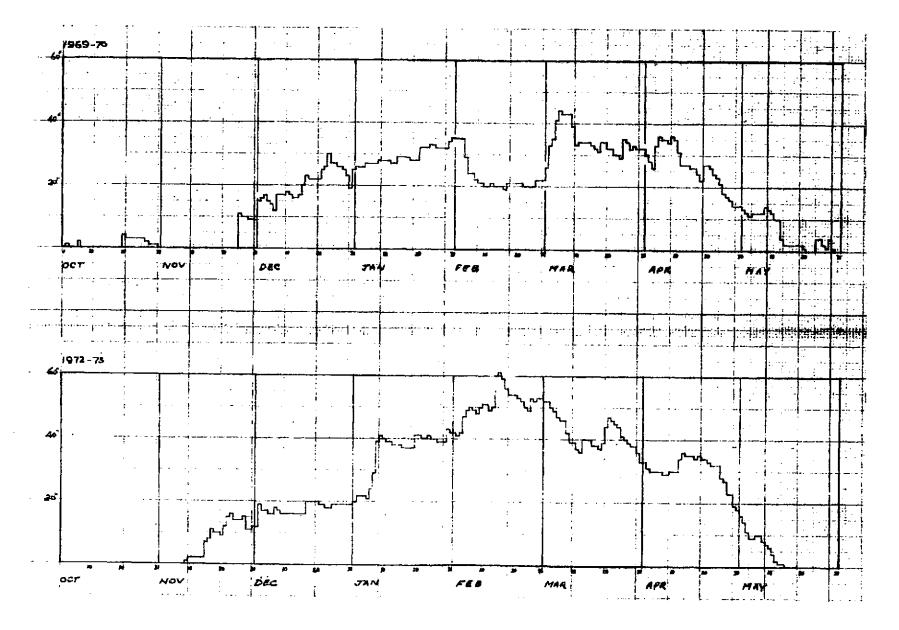


FIG. 6 DAILY SNOW DEPTHS FOR TYPICAL WINTERS OF LIGHT AND HEAVY SNOW COVER - GOOSE BAY

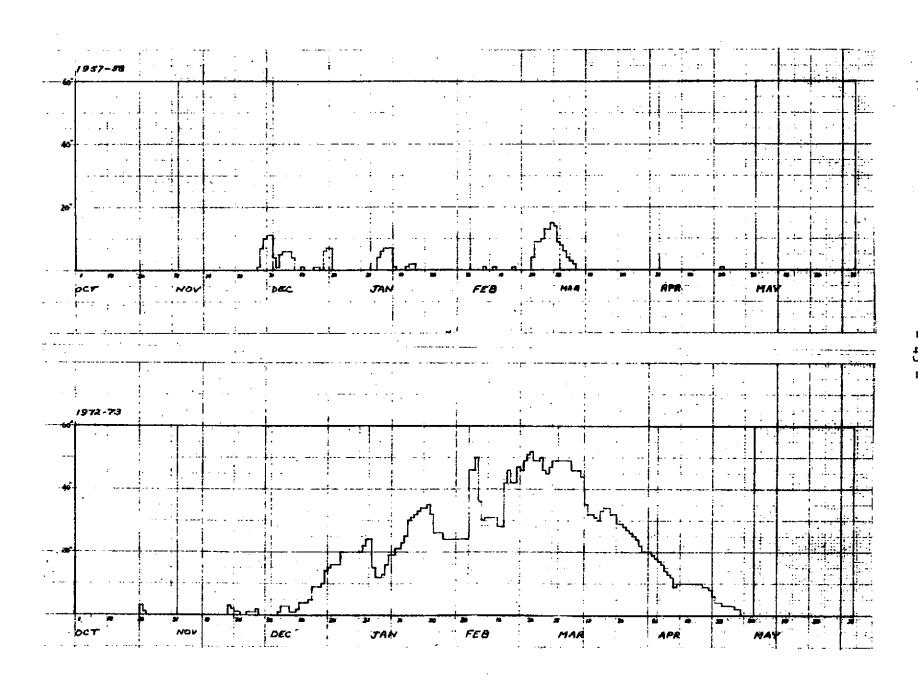


FIG. 7 DAILY SNOW DEPTHS FOR TYPICAL WINTERS OF LIGHT AND HEAVY SNOW COVER - STEPHENVILLE

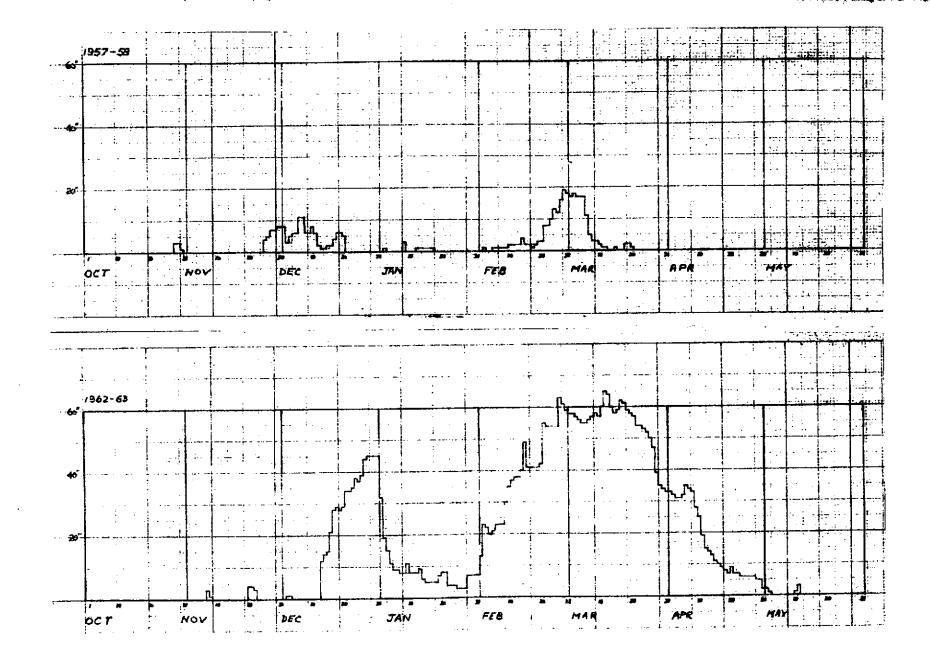


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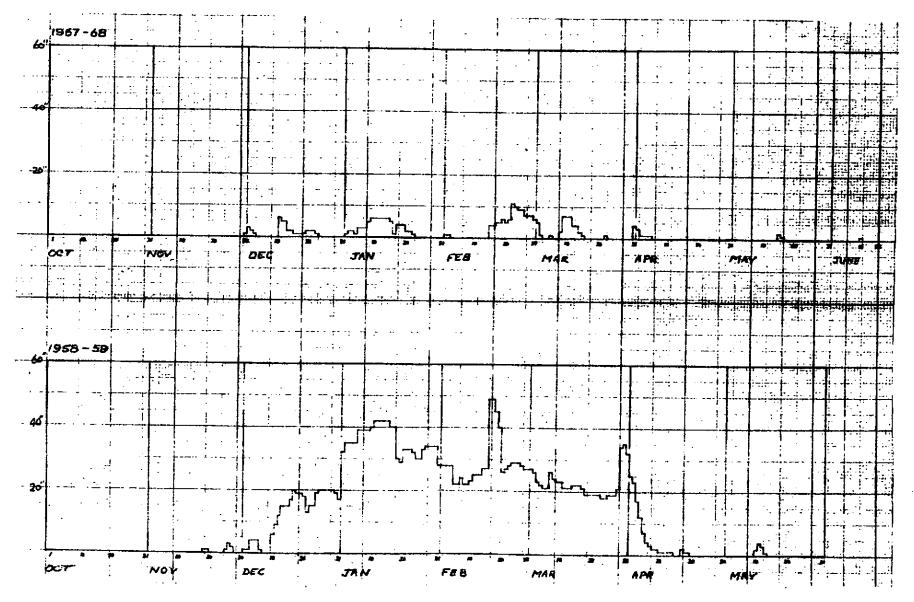


FIG. 9 DAILY SNOW DEPTHS FOR TYPICAL WINTERS OF LIGHT AND HEAVY SNOW COVER - ST. JOHN'S

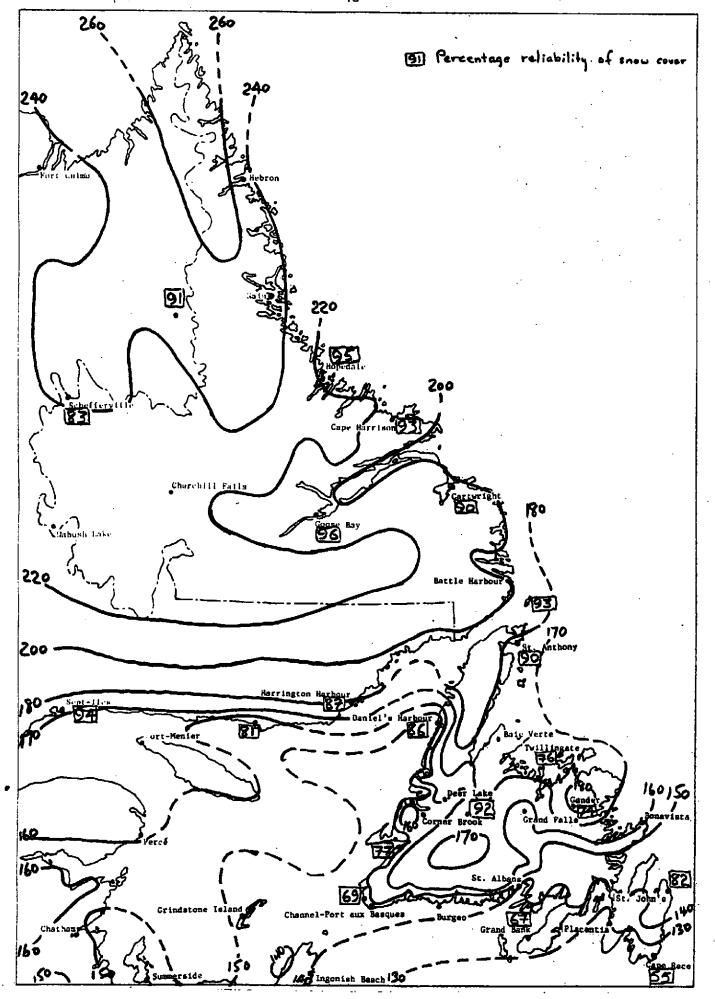


FIG. 10 MEAN LENGTH OF THE WINTER SEASON AND PERCENTAGE RELIABILITY OF A SNOW COVER

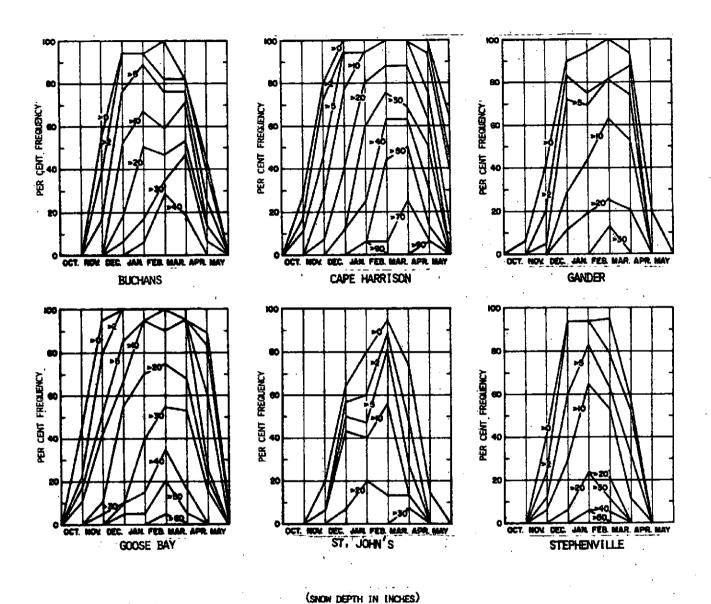


FIG. 11 PERCENTAGE FREQUENCY OF SNOW COVER THROUGH THE WINTER AT SIX LOCALITIES (POTTER, 1965)

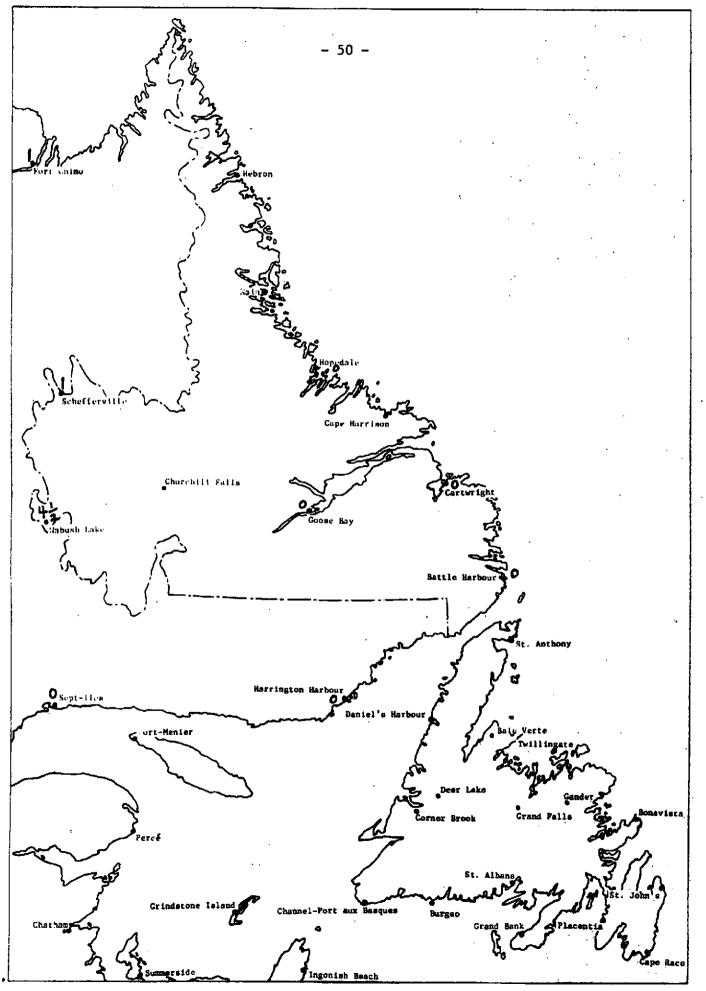


FIG. 12 MEDIAN DEPTH OF SNOW COVER AT THE END OF OCTOBER

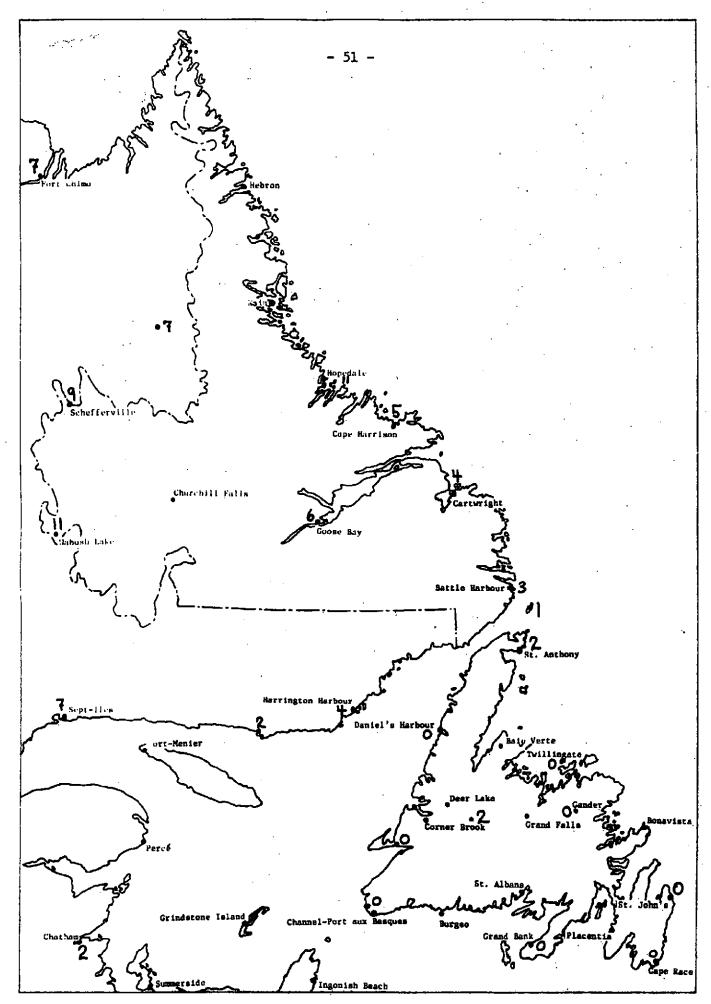


FIG. 13 MEDIAN DEPTH OF SNOW COVER AT THE END OF NOVEMBER

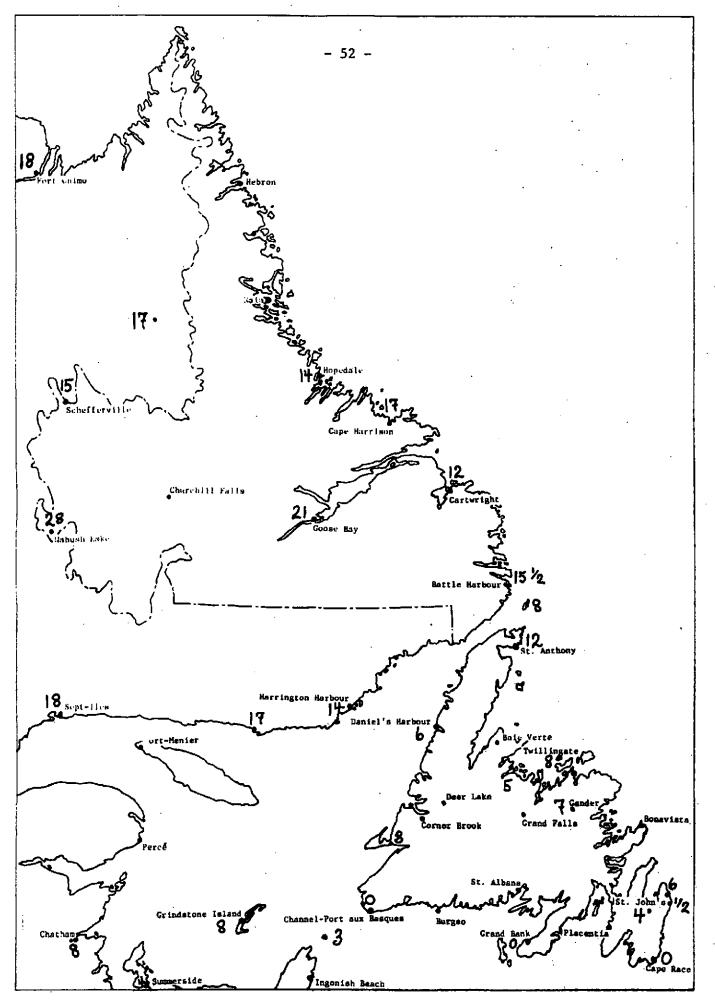


FIG. 14 MEDIAN DEPTH OF SNOW COVER AT THE END OF DECEMBER

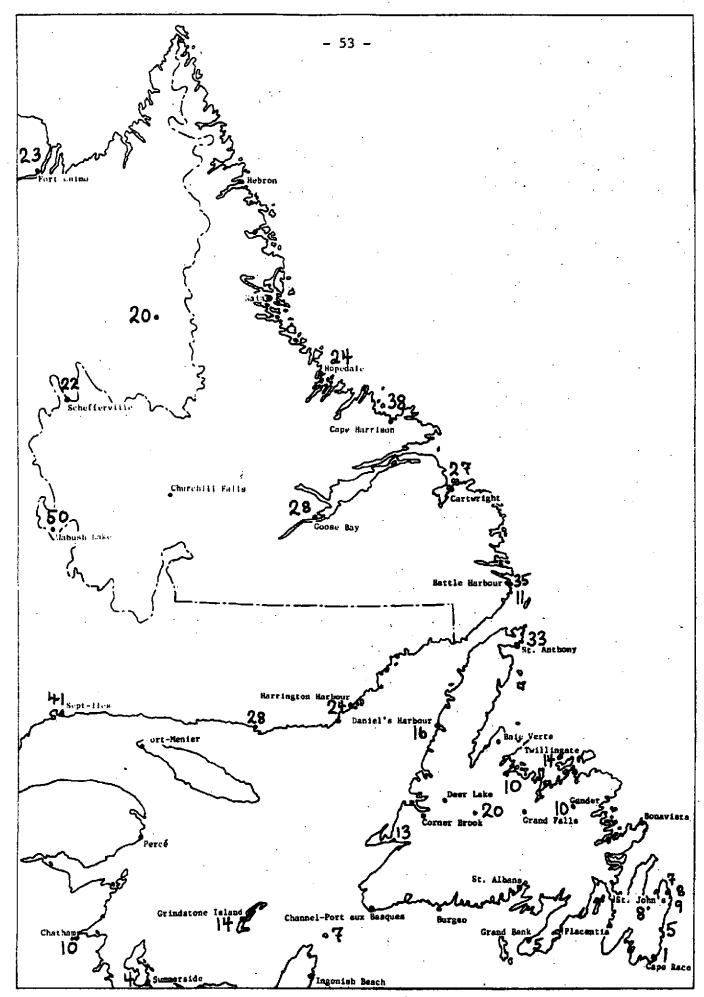


FIG. 15 MEDIAN DEPTH OF SNOW COVER AT THE END OF JANUARY

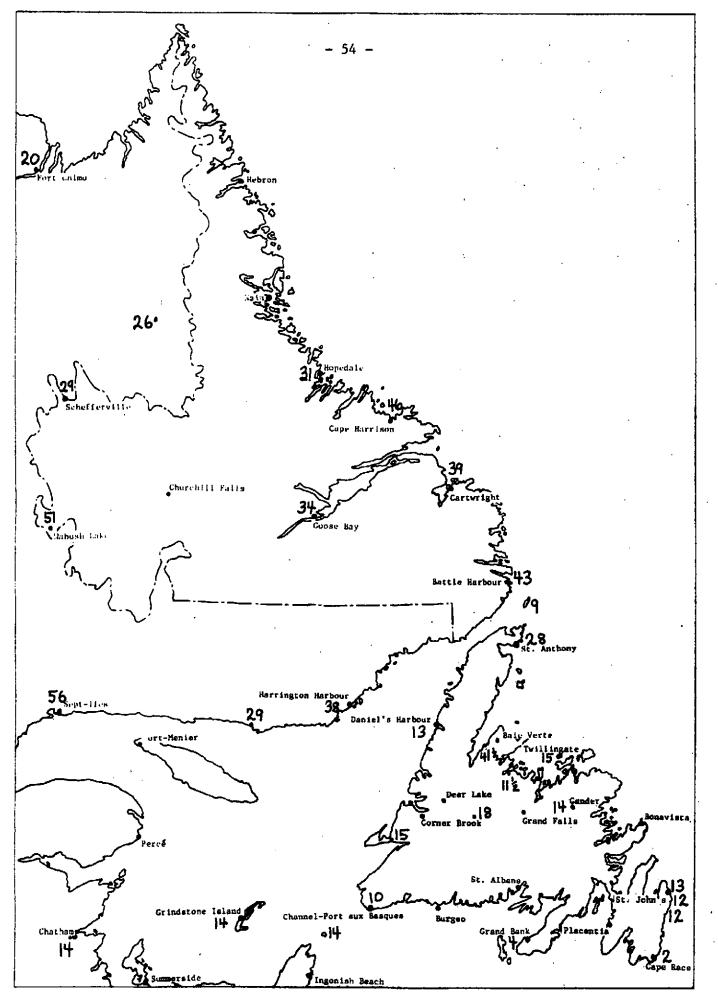


Fig. 16 Median depth of snow cover at the end of february

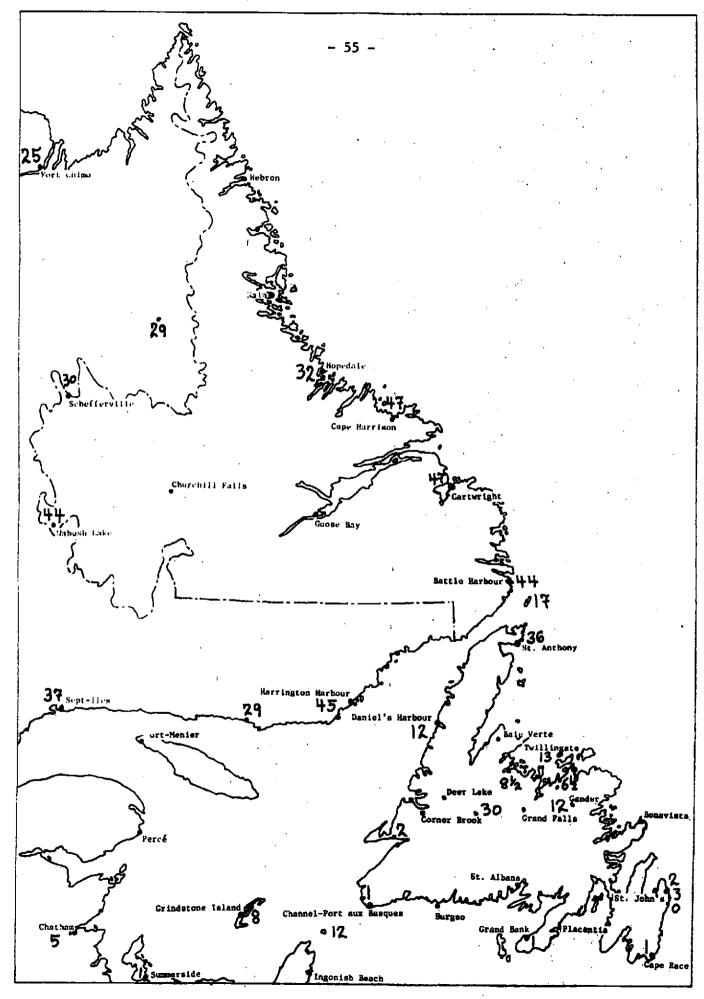


FIG. 17 MEDIAN DEPTH OF SNOW COVER AT THE END OF MARCH

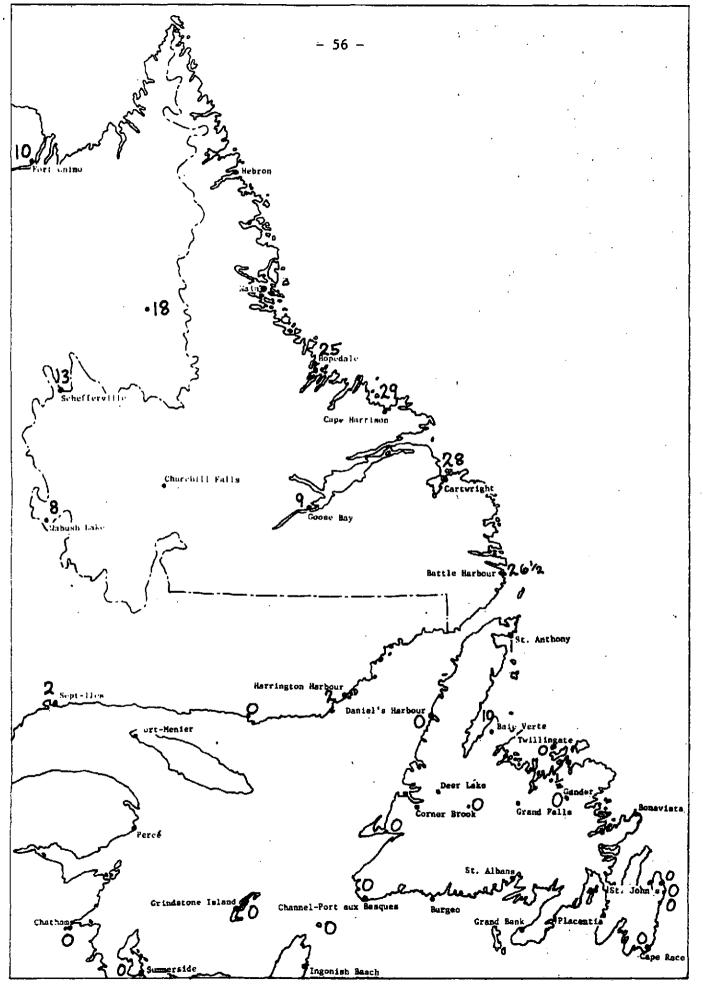


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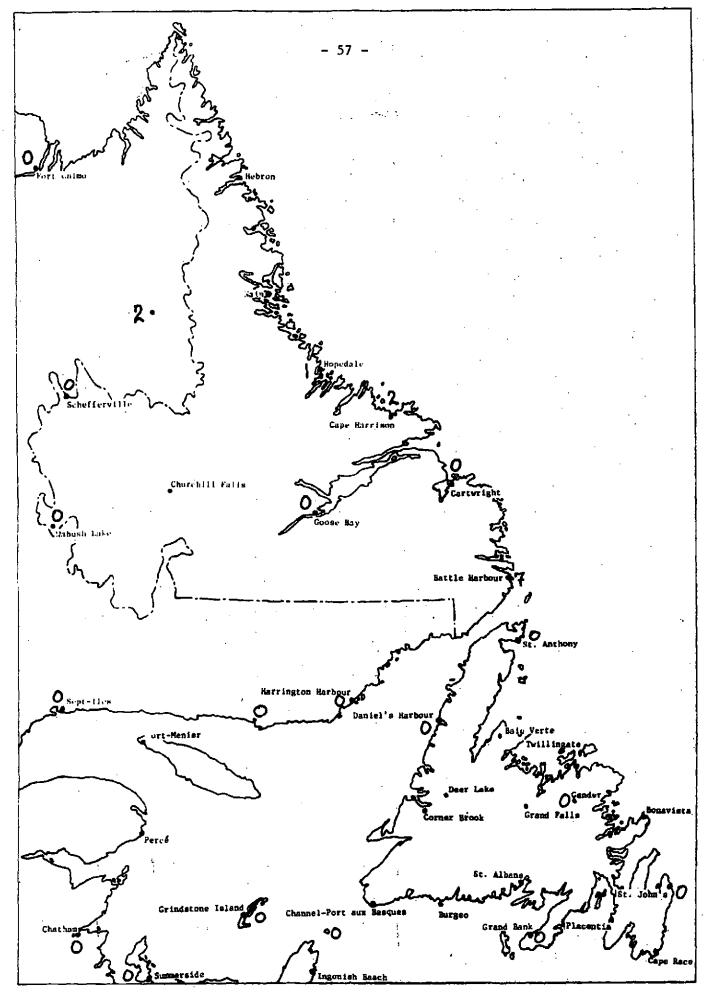


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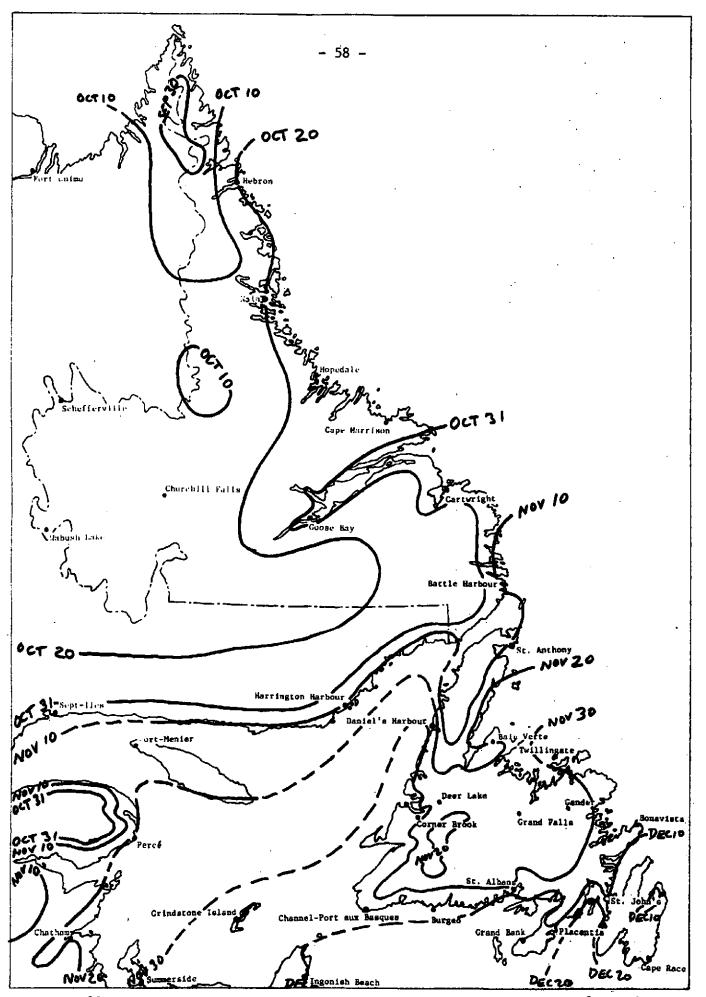


FIG. 20 DATE IN AUTUMN ON WHICH MEAN DAILY TEMPERATURE FALLS TO  $0^{\circ}$ C (32°F)

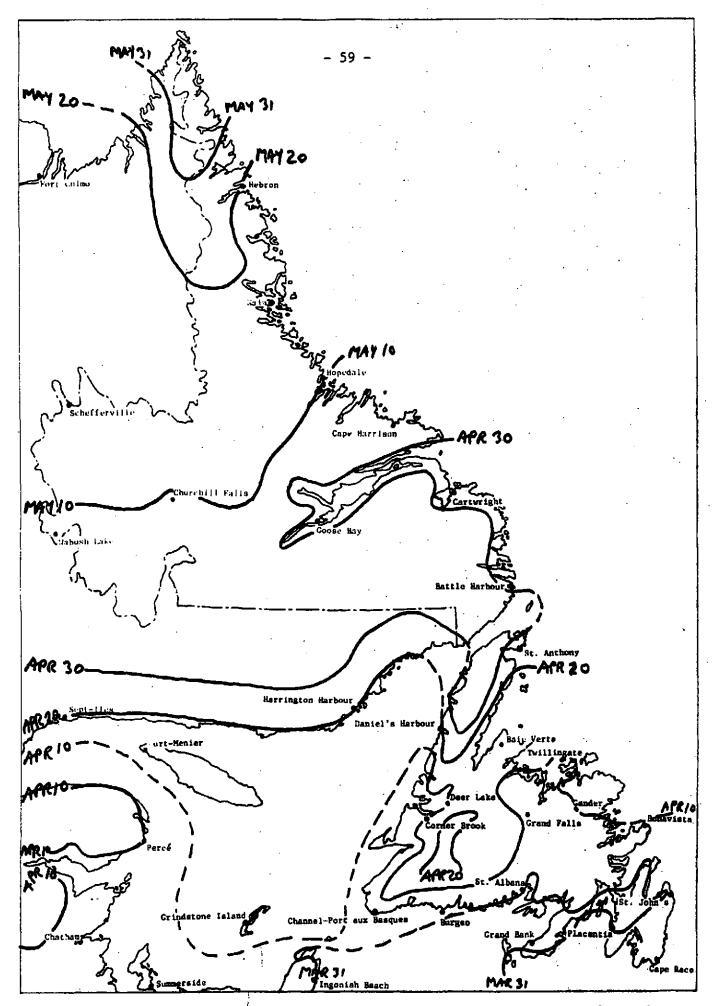


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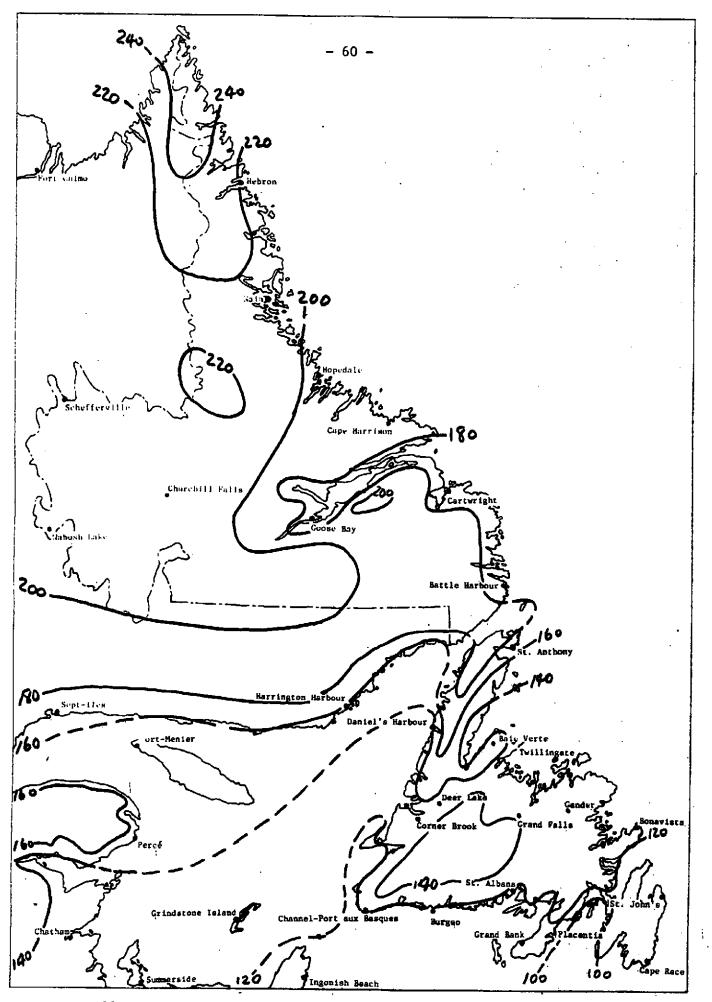


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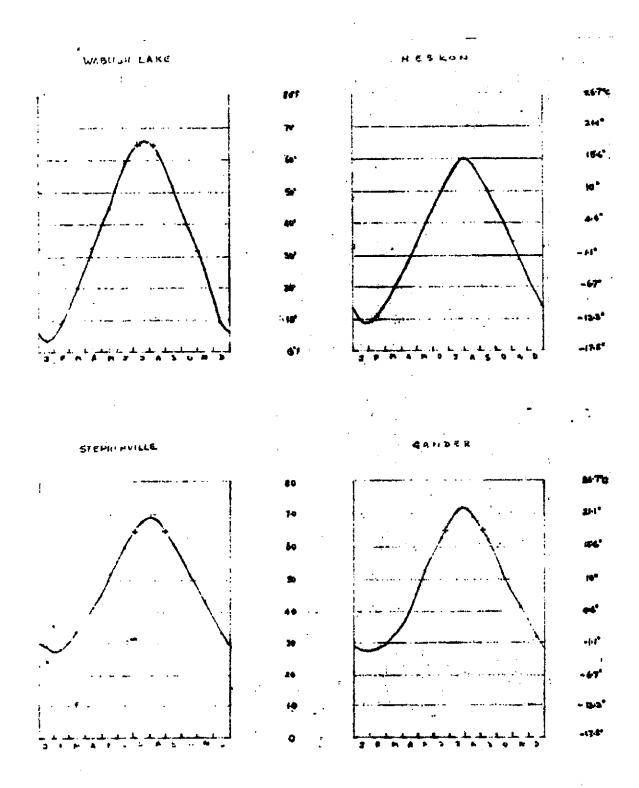


FIG. 23 MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE BY MONTHS AT FOUR REPRESENTATIVE STATIONS

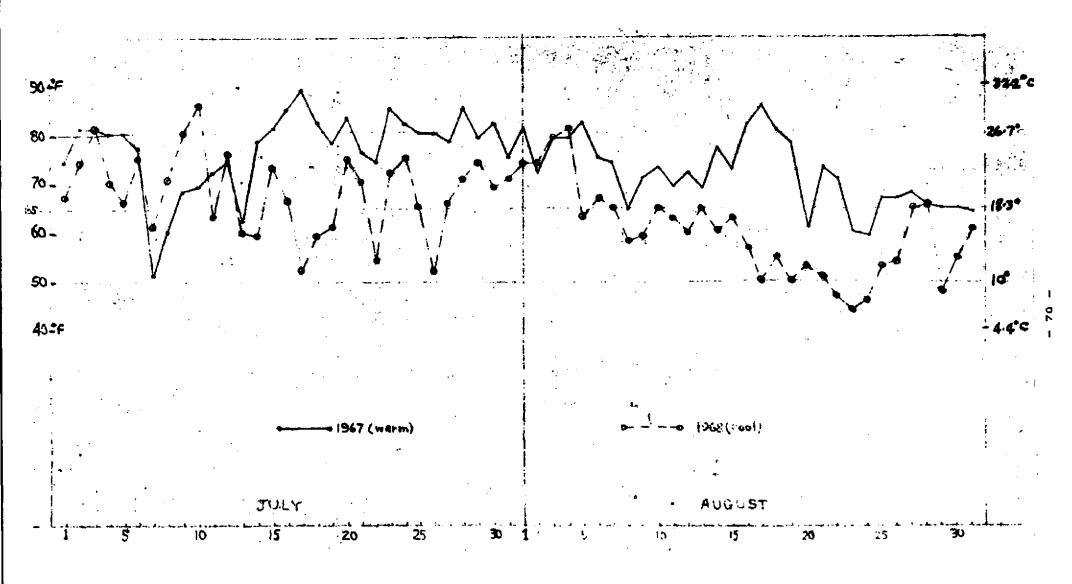


FIG. 24 DAILY MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES AT GANDER IN THE SUMMERS OF 1967 AND 1968

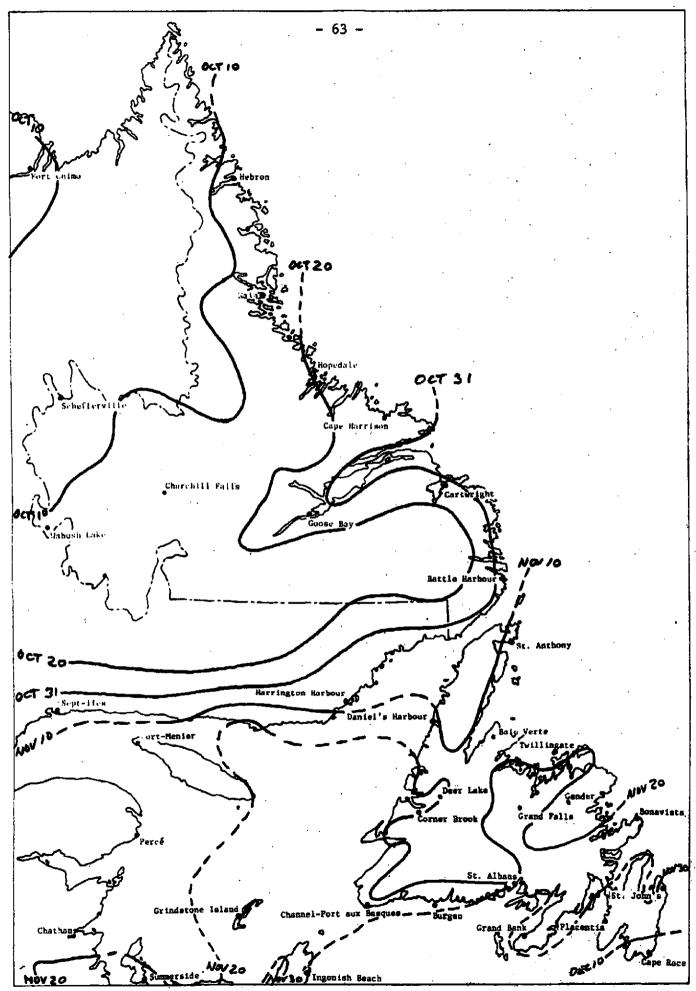


FIG. 25 MEAN DATE OF FIRST DAY OF WINTER SEASON

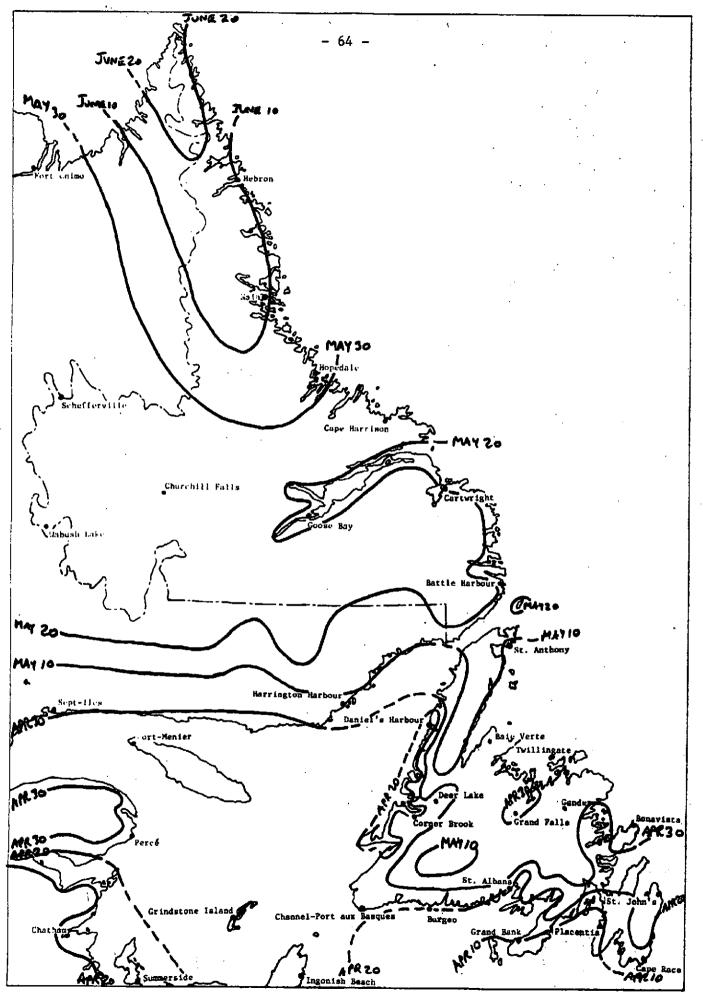


FIG. 26 MEAN DATE OF LAST DAY OF WINTER SEASON

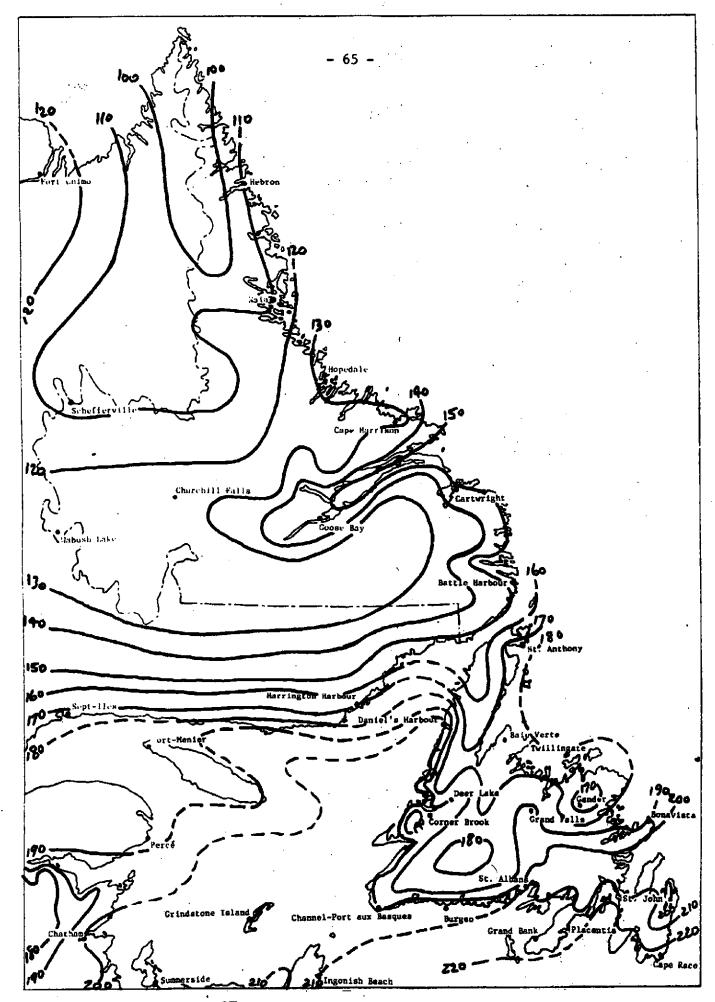


FIG. 27 MEAN LENGTH OF THE COMPLETE SUMMER SEASON

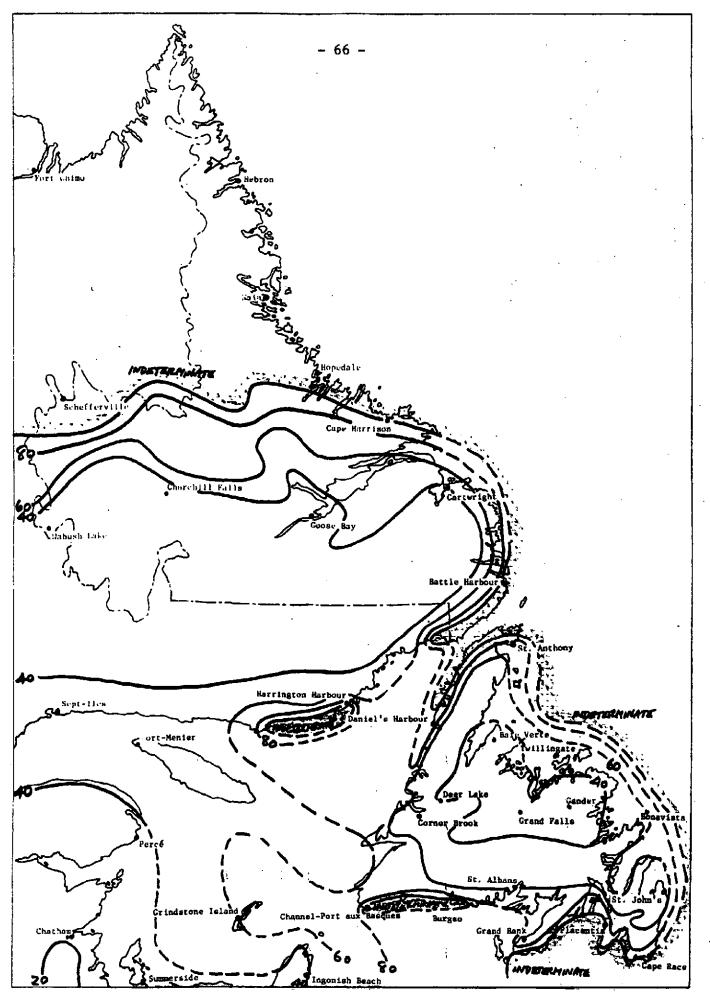


FIG. 28 MEAN LENGTH OF THE SPRING SHOULDER OF THE SUMMER SEASON

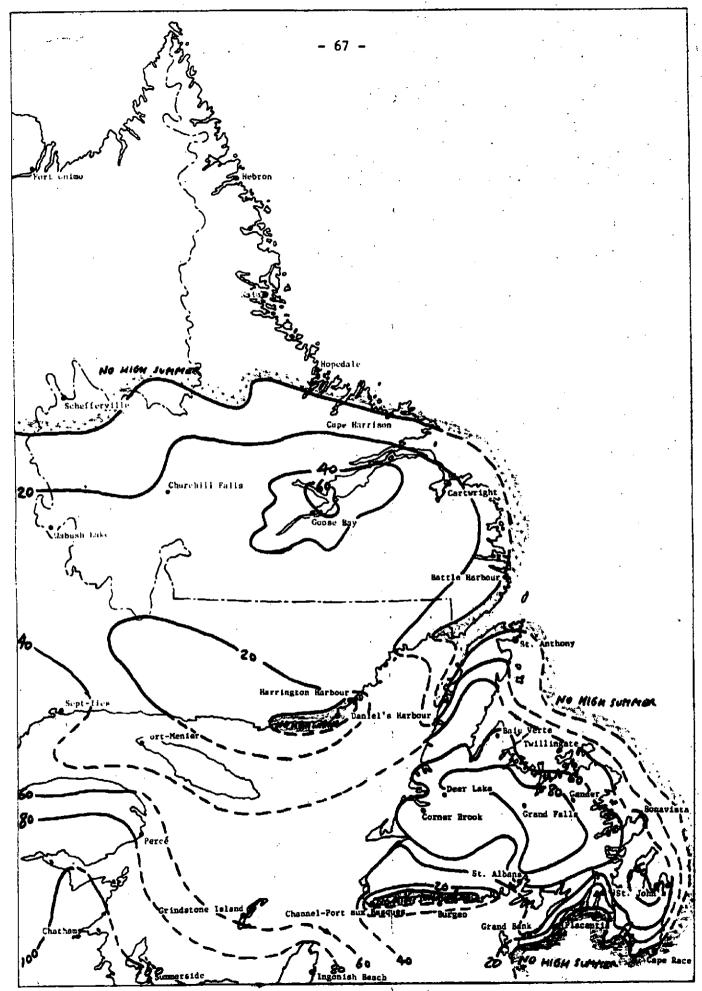


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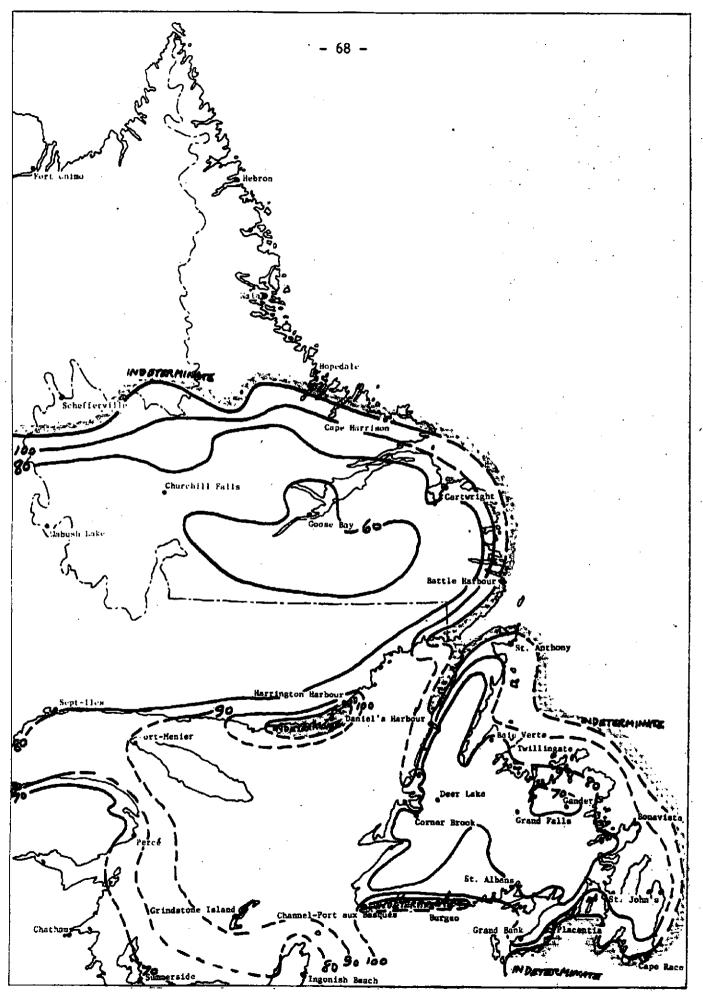


FIG. 30 MEAN LENGTH OF THE AUTUMN SHOULDER OF THE SUMMER SEASON

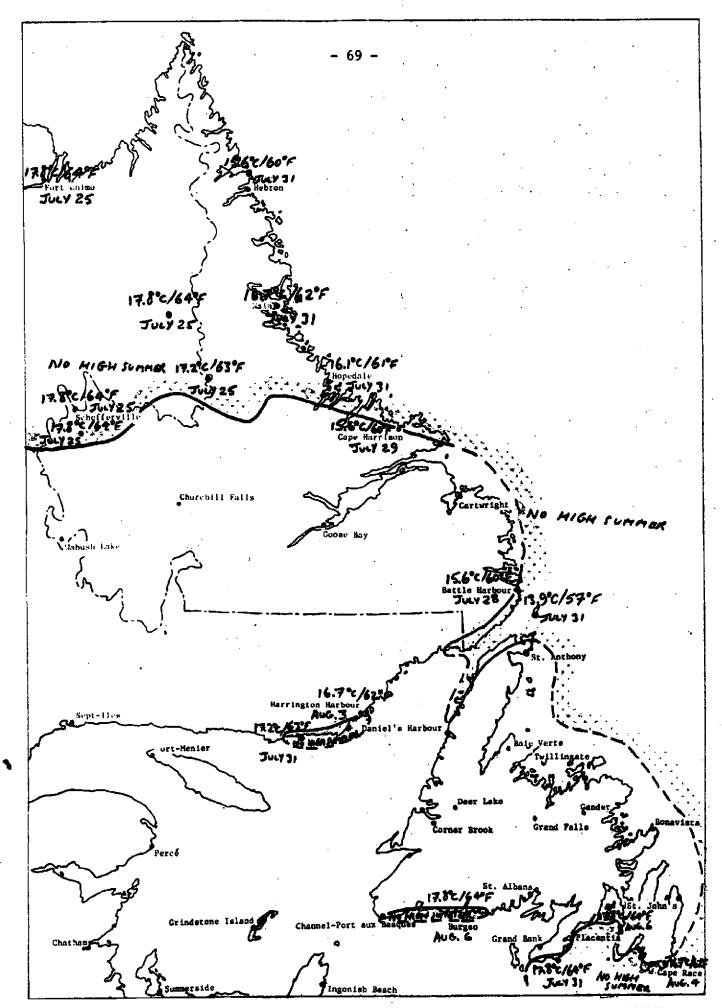


FIG. 31 AREAS OF NO HIGH SUMMER WITH VALUES OF HIGHEST MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM AND THEIR DATES OF OCCURRENCE AT SELECTED STATIONS

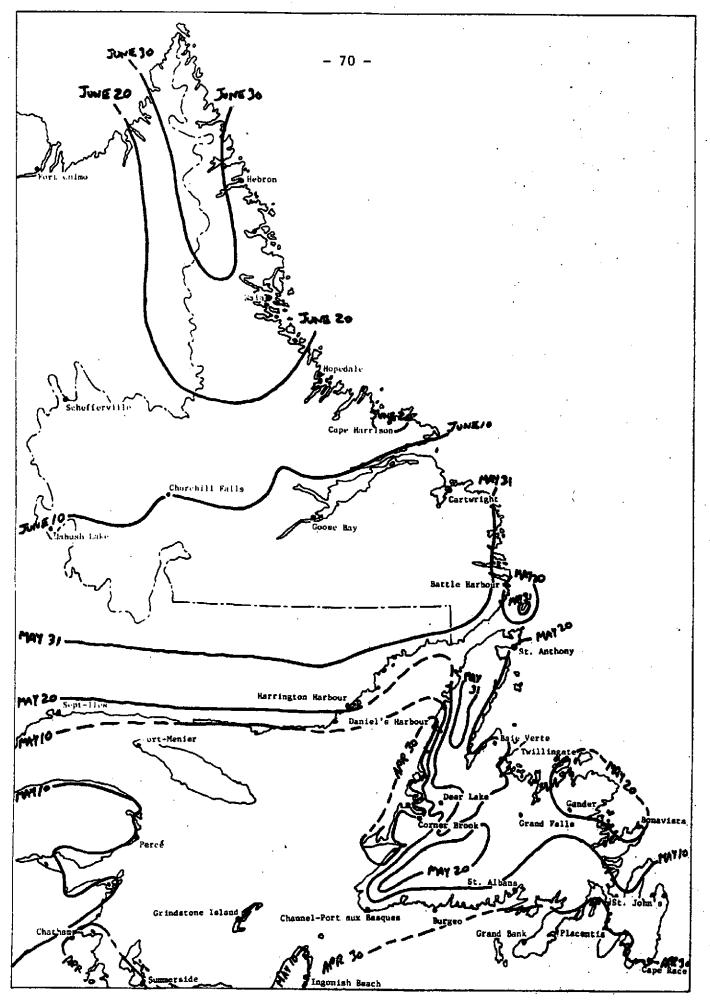


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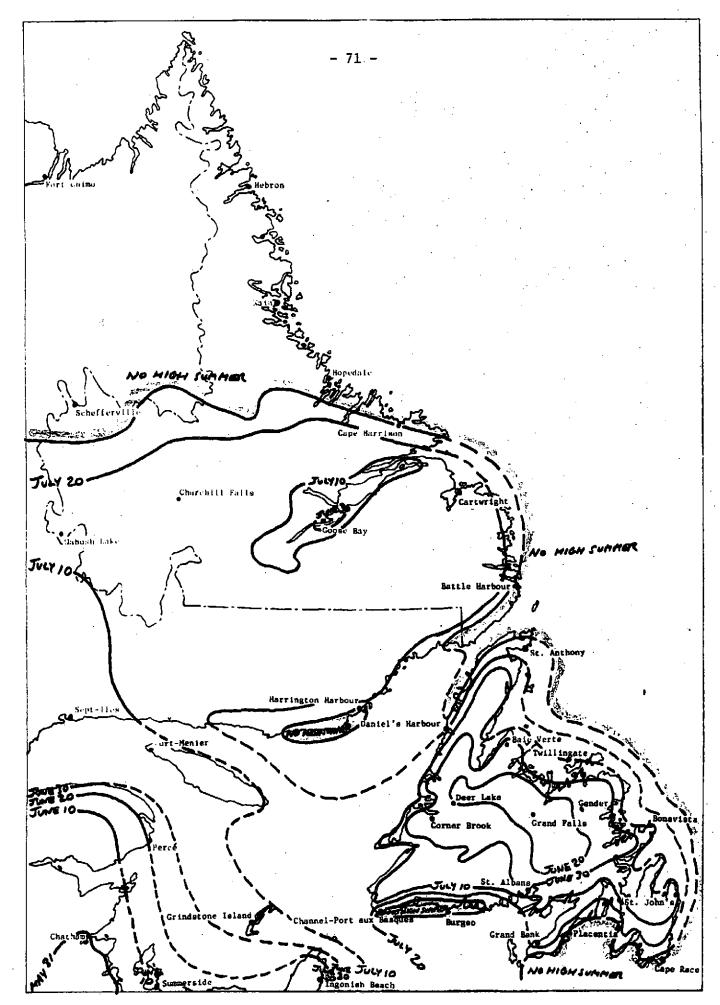


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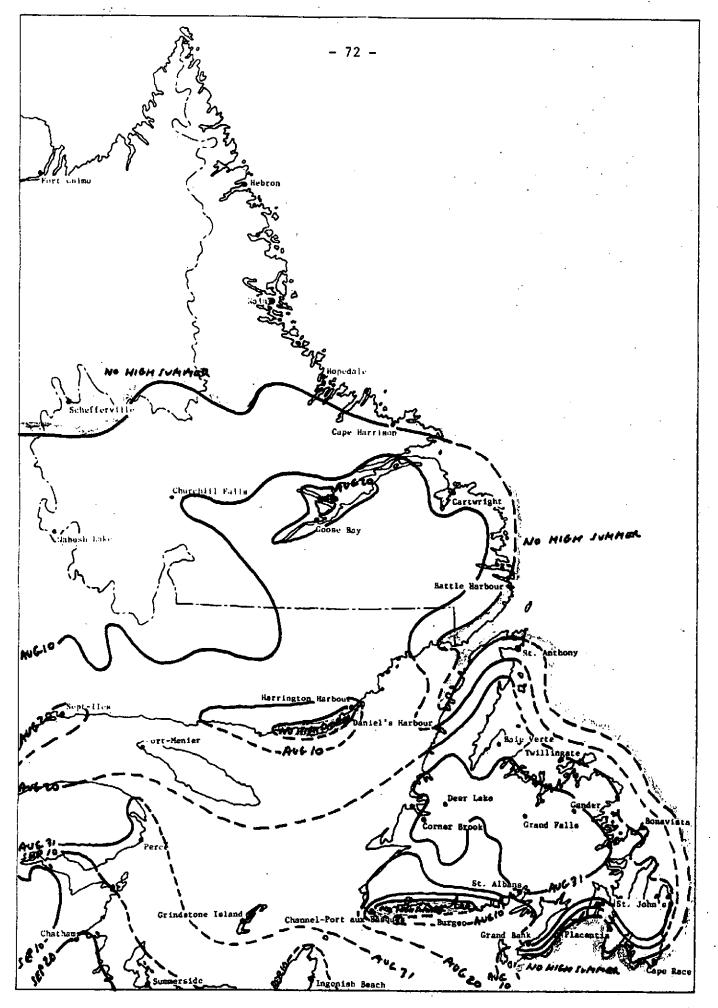


FIG. 34 MEAN DATE OF LAST DAY OF HIGH SUMMER

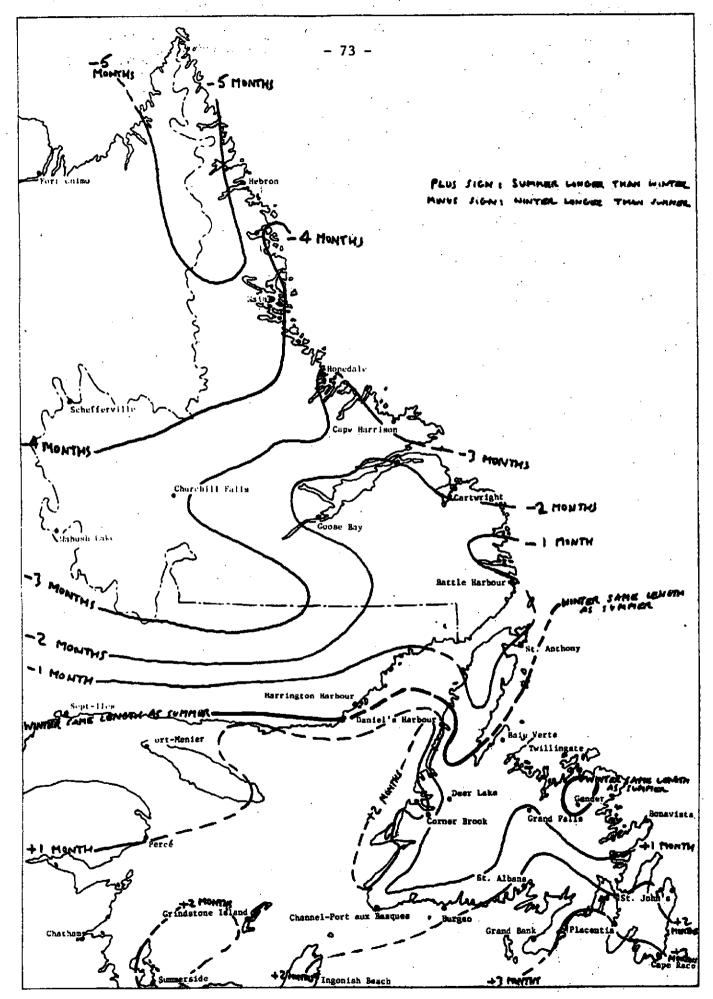


FIG. 35 COMPARISON OF LENGTHS OF SUMMER AND WINTER SEASONS

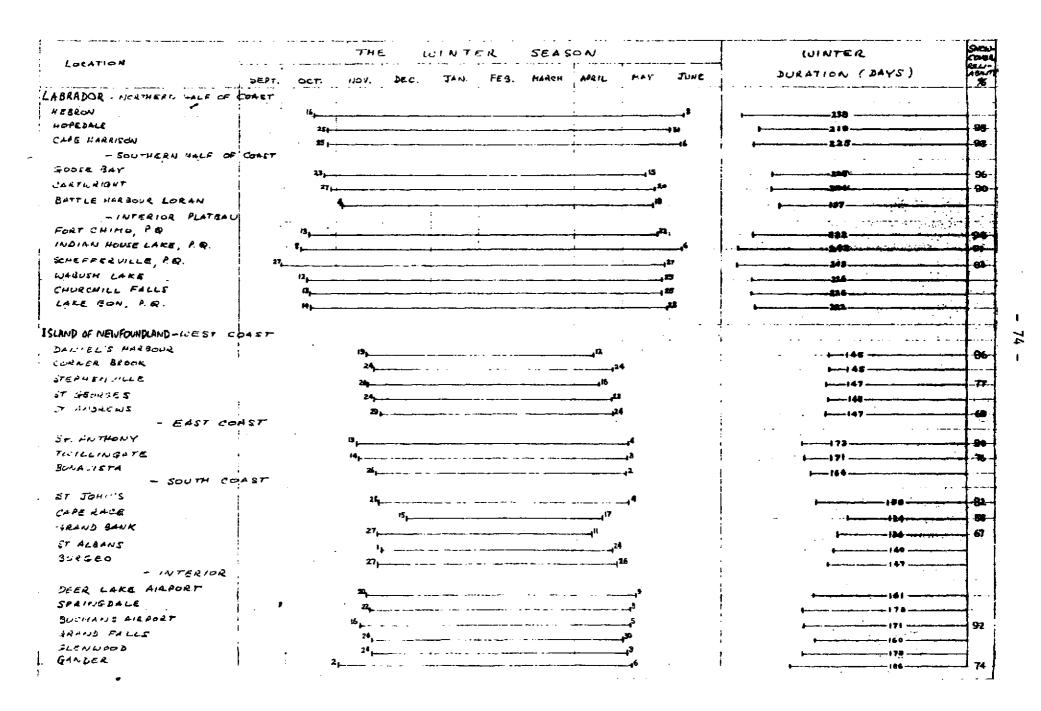


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FIG. 37 SUMMER SEASON LENGTHS IN DIAGRAMMATIC FORM FOR SELECTED STATIONS

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SEASONAL CLIMATIC QUALITY CHARACTERISTICS

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#### I. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION OF CLIMATIC QUALITY

In the detailed evaluation of climate quality, the concept of "suitable days" was used, a suitable day being one in which there were at least five hourly reports (not necessarily consecutive) of "suitable weather" between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The criteria for suitable weather presented in Table 6 are based on Crowe, McKay and Baker (1973) and modifications by Gates (1975). An additional activity, yachting, has been added.

In applying these criteria to the climate of Newfoundland and Labrador, some points are worthy of comment:

- 1. The humidex seldom is sufficiently high in Newfoundland and Labrador to cause discomfort, and so was not considered to be a significant factor. Temperatures which normally would be associated with the humidex values used as criteria are given in the adjoining column for those not accustomed to the use of humidex.
- 2. Temperatures lower than -14°C (6°F) in the case of skiing and -21°C (-6°F) in the case of snowmobiling are usually unsuitable for these activities. It is common knowledge that local residents, however, used to lower temperatures, persist with their skiing and snowmobiling with temperatures even as low as -29°C (20°F). So, it must be remembered that in general, values in the table were chosen keeping the *visiting* tourist in mind.

Up to eighteen years of weather records were searched to discover the number of days that could be designated "suitable" for the various tourist and outdoor recreation activities, except yachting, according to the criteria listed in Table 6. Calculations were carried out for each ten-day period in the year, and the number of suitable days in each ten-day period was expressed as a percentage. These percentages are a convenience in relating climate to the enjoyment of the outdoors. Calculations were made for ten stations in Labrador and neighbouring Quebec and for thirteen on the Island of Newfoundland (see Figure 3). Values for fifteen stations in the Maritimes were also used, taken from Gates (1975).

The suitable-day data are presented in Tables 7 to 11 according to type of activity, while figures 38 to 60 show the variations of the percentages through the year at the individual stations. Mid-month values are plotted on Figures 61 to 97 for the various activities to show the spatial variations. Because of the scarcity of data and because in a few cases the stations may be located at non-representative sites, no attempt has been made to analyse these charts (Figures 61 to 97) by drawing isopleths. In the following sections, some of the considerations involved in choosing the criteria (Table 6) for the various activities are discussed.

#### A Year-round Activity-Landscape Touring

For a day to be classed suitable for landscape touring by automobile the temperature must lie in the range  $-24^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-12^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) to  $24^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $75^{\circ}\text{F}$ ).

Visibility must be greater than 5 km or 3 mi., and wind speeds less than 40 km/h or 25 mi/h. In addition, no appreciable precipitation is allowed.

Driving for pleasure takes place mainly during the warm season, but may be carried out year-round, except for brief interruptions during winter storms. Wide variations in temperature are tolerable on a motor trip because of the protection afforded by the automobile.

Visibility is a prime importance in the enjoyment of landscape viewing.

#### Winter Activities

On a day suitable for skiing or snowmobiling the snow depth must average 5 cm (2 in.) or more, the wind must be less than 24 km/h (15 mi/h), and the visibility be greater than 1 km (1/2 mi.). For skiing the temperature may be as low as  $-14^{\circ}$ C ( $6^{\circ}$ F), but for snowmobiling  $-21^{\circ}$ C ( $-6^{\circ}$ F) was considered a reasonable lower limit because more clothing can be worn. Only light snow or flurries were allowed.

In a particular locality a well chosen site will be a favourable factor. On cold days ski slopes facing the sun may be more enjoyable. The effect of the wind may be minimized by locating the slope in a wooded area, or by choosing a site facing away from the prevailing winter winds, so that skiers move downslope with the wind rather than against it.

#### Summer Activities

Vigorous Activities, including hiking and the more energetic sports, such as football, soccer, bicycling, similarly are more enjoyable in a relatively light wind and in sunshine (cloud cover less than eight-

tenths). It was judged in the case of hunting and the energetic sports, a better visibility, greater than 3 km (2 miles) was warranted, and that an upper limit of approximately 24°C (75°F) should be placed on temperature. No appreciable precipitation was allowed.

Beaching Activities, except for water-based sports such as swimming, have as a prime objective enjoyment of the warmth of the sun and exposure to it (cloud cover less than eight-tenths). Temperatures should be greater than  $16^{\circ}$ C ( $60^{\circ}$ F) with at least some sunshine, a wind of less than 24 km/h (15 mi/h), and a visibility greater than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  km (1 mile). No precipitation was allowed. The weather requirements for swimming are essentially the same as those for beaching, except that water temperatures have also to be considered.

Sachting, or Coastal Touring by Boat. In other provincial climate studies yachting in coastal waters has not been dealt with. After considerable discussion with active yachting enthusiasts, it was found that the criteria selected for landscape touring were close to those desirable for yachting. Consider the criteria for landscape touring. Although a limit of 32 km/h (20 mi/h) is probably more suitable for small boats, the upper limit of 40 km/h (25 mi/h) was accepted as suitable as the upper limit for yachting. No limitations were imposed on the suitability of a day for yachting by the wide range of acceptable temperatures, nor by considerations of cloud cover. Only two of the criteria were selected differently for yachting. Visibilities of 10 km (6 mi.) or more would have been preferred for pilotage and viewing the scenery, and days with a little light precipitation could have been tolerated as suitable.

The inclusion of days with some light precipitation would have raised slightly the percentages of suitable days for yachting over those for landscape touring, but the exclusion of days with visibilities from 5 to 8 km ( 3 to 5 mi.) would have lowered them. Another factor, which should be taken into account, is that, when winds are blowing from the land, wind speeds at sea are known by experience to be stronger than speeds reported from coastal stations. Such a difference, which is difficult to estimate quantitatively, would tend to limit or lower the number of days suitable for yachting. Nevertheless, since it is not expected these differences would have produced a significantly different pattern in the percentages, nor changed the actual values much, it was proposed, rather than to perform an additional computer run, to reduce the values of the suitable day percentages for landscape touring by ten per cent, and to consider the resulting values reasonable percentages of suitable days for yachting. It must be pointed out, however, that while landscape viewing can be considered a year-round pursuit, and is certainly a prime activity throughout the complete summer season, the season length for yachting on the other hand, is comparatively short due to the short ice-free period.

#### II. WINTER QUALITY ANALYSIS

(a) Landscape Touring (Figures 61-66)

Labrador

At Goose Bay (Figure 40) the frequency of suitable days for landscape touring is relatively high in early and late winter.

In mid-winter, however, strong winds, blowing snow and, particularly, low temperatures, have a limiting effect, and the percentage frequencies drop into the fifties. The same situation exists at the coastal stations, although at Cartwright (Figure 41), values remain in the sixties. In constrast, on the interior plateau the percentage of suitable days drop significantly lower at mid-winter, to the twenties and thirties. Low temperatures account for this effect over central and western Labrador, where the January mean temperatures at Churchill Falls and Wabush Lake are 3° to 4°C (6° to 8°F) lower than at Goose Bay.

#### Island of Newfoundland

During the winter the Grand Lake lowlands (Deer Lake, Figure 60) and parts of the South Coast (Burgeo, Figure 57 and Argentia, Figure 55) and East Coast (St. Anthony, Figure 51 and Bonavista, Figure 53) have fairly high percentages of suitable days, in the fifties and sixties. On the other hand, lower values, in the thirties and forties, appear in January at some stations on the West and East Coasts of the Island. This depression of the percentage values appears to be due to the prevalence of snow flurries with onshore winds at this time of year, and in some areas due to frequent strong winds, such as at St. John's Airport (Figure 54), which is a very exposed locality.

## (b) Skiing and Snowmobiling (Figures 67-81) Labrador

The characteristics of the Labrador climate during the whole

winter strongly supports skiing and snowmobiling as far as snow cover is concerned. At these latitudes the snow cover is reliable even in years when snowfall is less than normal. The snow cover comes, and except for a very short unreliable period early and late in the winter, it persists (see Figures 5 and 6). Potter (1965) calculated the percentage of days in the winter season that snow was actually reported to a depth of 2.5 cm (1 in.). He took this percentage as a measure of the reliability of the snow cover. Potter's snow cover reliability percentages for the winter season (see Figure 10) range from 83 per cent at Schefferville to 96 per cent at Goose Bay. Values throughout all Labrador indicate that the snow cover is highly reliable from one year to the next and throughout each winter season.

In addition to a reliable snow cover, winds are relatively light in the winter season in Labrador, and the occurrences of rain and freezing rain are very few from December to April. However, one feature of the climate that reduces the suitable day percentages for skiing and snowmobiling is the low temperatures of December, January and February. Normally at lower latitudes, values peak in February. However, in Labrador actual percentages are depressed as the daytime temperatures drop below -14°C (-6°F) for skiing and below -21°C (-6°F) for snowmobiling. This results in graphs with two peaks, indicating two optimum periods for these activities. An example is seen in the graphs for Wabush Lake (Figure 45), which peak in November and in April. As a rule, the earlier optimum period is cut comparatively short as temperatures drop quickly during the early stages of winter. Another factor that may shorten this period in some years is the late arrival of snow cover.

On the other hand, the second optimum period in March and April has more suitable weather, that is, higher percentages of suitable days, and it lasts longer and has an entirely reliable snow cover.

#### Island of Newfoundland

As is generally the case, shortly after the median date of the first 2.5 cm (1 in.) of snow cover, that is, the beginning of winter, the frequency of suitable days rises above 20 per cent. The frequencies all over the island exhibit a similar pattern, the highest values occurring in January and February. It must be noted, however, that on the Island of Newfoundland the percentage values generally are low, not rising above the thirties, except on the West Coast, over the Great Northern Peninsula, and, no doubt, on the Long Range (no data are available for the Long Range). Stephenville (Figure 49) has the highest number of suitable days, over 50 per cent for three consecutive months, almost 60 per cent near the end of January.

In listing the factors to account for the poor percentages of suitable days for skiing and snowmobiling, the poor reliability of the snow cover would come first. In southern and eastern parts of the Island the snow cover is quite variable, frequently disappearing during the winter (see Figures 7 to 9). Potter's calculations of reliability (see Figure 10) give high figures only for Buchans, 92 per cent, and for Daniel's Harbour, 86 per cent. His other reliability figures on the Island range from the seventies down to 55 per cent at Cape Race.

Other factors that militate against consistently good skiing weather in the south and east as compared to that in the Stephenville-Deer Lake area are the strong winds (Table 12), the greater frequency of rain (Table 13), and the greater frequency of freezing rain (Table 14).

It should be noted that no daily snow cover data were available for Burgeo or Deer Lake. As a result, no skiing or snowmobiling data are shown for these localities (Figures 57 and 60).

#### III. SUMMER QUALITY ANALYSIS

(a) Landscape Touring (Figures 82-87)

Labrador

Weather conditions for landscape touring are generally very good through most of Labrador during the summer. From 73 to 85 per cent of the days are suitable during the complete summer. The percentages at Battle Harbour (Figure 42), the only station at which the values do not reach 80 per cent, are lower, probably because of the normally strong winds and the occurrence of fog at the island site. This situation probably exists all along the south Labrador coast, particularly in early summer.

#### Island of Newfoundland

Similarly, on the Island of Newfoundland, weather conditions are generally very good for landscape touring. This is particularly so at inland localities. The greatest number of suitable days are

indicated for Stephenville (Figure 49), St. Andrews (Figure 50), and Deer Lake (Figure 60) in the west and for St. Anthony (Figure 51), Twillingate (Figure 52), and Bonavista (Figure 53) on the East Coast. The low values for the Daniel's Harbour area (Figure 48) are most likely due to the strong winds funnelling along the coastal plain and to the occurrence of sea fog drifting onto the coast. The South Coast, affected by onshore winds, is plagued by sea fog, so that June, July and August are poor for landscape touring. Weather conditions improve on the South Coast in late August as winds tend to be westerly or north-westerly more frequently in the outbreaks of cooler and drier air that are typical of late summer.

# (b) Vigorous Activities (Figures 88-93) Labrador

The warm days with light winds (suitable for most outdoor recreation) which occur from late June to late August are interspersed from time to time with periods of cooler weather. As a consequence, the percentages of suitable days for vigorous activities rise only into the thirties or forties at most inland localities of Labrador at mid-summer. The percentages for Churchill Falls (Figure 46) are over forty from July 10 to August 10, approximately. The Goose Bay (Figure 40) area has percentages in the thirties, but over a longer period, from June 10 to the end of August. Stations on the Labrador Coast have the least consistently favourable weather, due to lower temperatures and poor visibilities. This is particularly true south of Cartwright early in the summer.

### Island of Newfoundland

Of the stations studied in the Island of Newfoundland, Deer Lake (Figure 60) has the highest number of days suitable for vigorous summer outdoor activities. In late July and early August the percentage rises at Deer Lake to 57, with percentages over forty persisting from late June to early September. Stephenville (Figure 49) and St. Andrews (Figure 50) on the southern part of the West Coast have percentages over forty throughout July and August, as do Twillingate (Figure 52) and Bonavista (Figure 53) on the East Coast from approximately July 10 to the middle of August. A good deal of outdoor recreational activity does take place, but there are interruptions due to poor days, as the generally low percentages indicate.

### (c) Beaching Activities (Figures 94-97)

Beaching activities require temperatures in the upper teens or higher, cloud cover less than eight-tenths, and a wind of less than 24 km/h (5 mi/h). Days suitable for beaching, naturally, will then be confined to the periods of high summer. As indicated by the suitability-day percentages, the frequency of such days is likely to be one out of three or one out of four in areas removed from the coast of the Island of Newfoundland. In Labrador the lack of consistent or continual summer warmth appears to be the limiting factor, and on the Island of Newfoundland it would appear to be the combined effect of temperature and wind.

## (d) Water-based Activities

Two water-based activities, swimming and yachting, are dealt with separately from the other summer activities, as they were not directly analyzed by the computer techniques described earlier.

### Swimming

The weather requirements for swimming are the same as those for beaching. However, water temperatures are of primary concern.

Mean water temperatures recorded in the provincial parks on the Island of Newfoundland are presented in Table 15 for various time periods through the summer, while mean mid-summer temperatures (August 5) are shown in map form in Figure 98. These data were supplied by the Provincial Parks Branch, Province of Newfoundland-Labrador. Unfortunately, little data are available for Labrador. From the table of water temperatures it can be seen how the lakes and ponds warm up, reaching the highest temperature generally in early August. There appears to be four areas on the Island of Newfoundland where the water temperatures eventually reach 21-23°C (70 - 73°F). These areas run from St. Andrews to Stephenville, from Deer Lake to Springdale, from Grand Falls to the Terra

Temperatures in the salt water surrounding the Island may be estimated from the charts of water temperatures, reproduced from the U. S. Navy (1967). These are shown in Figures 99-102 for the months of May to August, inclusive. Needless to say, few will be tempted to swim in the cold ocean, but it should be remembered it can be very pleasant at

the edge of the ocean on a fine summer day when winds are blowing from the land.

# Yachting

The portion of the summer season suitable for yachting is determined primarily by the ice-free period. In the spring and early summer, ice conditions prohibit or seriously hamper yachting over much of Newfoundland's waters, especially along the Labrador Coast. Even in the ice-free season, the ocean waters are so cold (see Figures 99-102) that there is always danger to life from capsizing. Although the ice does not reform until about December, the effective end to the yachting season is in late summer or early autumn. This results from lowering air temperatures, cloudiness, rain, snow and the increasing risk of autumnal gales.

Figure 103 shows the mean southern limits of ice in spring and early summer. This composite map was adapted from the work of Bradford (1972 and 1973). The East Coast of the Island is usually ice-free south of Cape Freels by early June, but it is usually late in the month before the remainder of the East Coast and the Strait of Belle Isle is ice-free. While Hamilton Inlet and Lake Melville are usually ice-free by mid-June, ice persists along the Labrador Coast north of Cape Harrison until mid-July. However, conditions are quite variable from place to place and year to year, depending greatly on prevailing winds. Figures 104 to 109, supplied by the Ice Forecasting Central, Ottawa, illustrate what can happen in a good year when ice disappears

early and in a bad year when the Arctic ice lingers for much of the summer.

It should be pointed out that even when most of the ice has disappeared from the coastal waters, icebergs remain. While the number of icebergs varies from year to year, they can be found off the coast of Labrador and off the east coast of the Island well into August some summers, and as far south as the Avalon Peninsula.

It was suggested previously that the percentages of suitable days for yachting could be estimated by lowering the values for land-scape touring by ten per cent. This has been done for the ice-free season, for during this short period the weather along most of the North Labrador Coast should be good for yachting, with the percentages of suitable days being probably in the sixties and seventies. Although the prevailing wind in summer is north at Hopedale, the visibility there is not restricted often. Farther south along the coast, the prevailing winds are northwesterly or westerly off the land, and at Battle Harbour near the southern end of the coast, south. These southerly winds bring much fog to the regions adjacent to the Straits of Belle Isle, so the percentage of suitable days drop into the sixties and fifties and probably lower at some locations.

Good percentages of suitable days for yachting from May to

October are found along the East Coast of the Island of Newfoundland and

on the southern half of the West Coast. Percentages could be expected

in the sixties and seventies. On the South Coast and on the northern

half of the West Coast the percentages of suitable days would be low, probably in the forties. These low percentages of suitable days are due to the frequent presence of fog and the prevailing onshore winds. Caution is advisable in using landscape touring percentages as an aid in the Stephenville and St. Andrews areas of the West Coast. While it is true ocean temperatures are  $2-5^{\circ}C$  (5 -  $10^{\circ}F$ ) warmer there than along parts of the East Coast, fog banks over the sea do occur with a moderate frequency and lie not far off the coast during the day.

Some supplementary climatological data relevant to yachting are presented in Tables 16, 17, 18 (visibility frequency data), and in Tables 12 and 19 (wind data). This information may also be used to assess inland waters for boating with refinements from nearby meteorological stations.

TABLE 6

CLIMATIC CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION OF A SUITABLE DAY BY ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITY GROUPING

	CLIMATIC	CRITERIA FOR D	ESIGNATION OF	SUITABI	E DAYS		
Activity	Humidex	Temperature Degrees C F	Visibility km mi	Cloud Amt.	Wind km/h mi/h	Snow Cover	Precipitation
YEAR-ROUND		·					
Landscape Touring	-12 to 89	-24 to 24°C -12 to 75°F	greater than 5 km 3 mi	N/A	less than 40 km/h 25 mi/h	N/A	N11
WINTER							
Skiing	greater than 6	greater than -14°C 6°F	greater than 1 km ½ mi	N/A	less than 24 km/h 15 mi/h	5 cm, 2 in. or more	Nil or light snow or flurries
Snowmobiling	greater than-6	greater than -21°C - 6°F	greater than 1 km ½ mi	N/A	less than 24 km/h 15 mi/h	5 cm, 2 in. or more	Nil or light snow or flurries
SUMMER							
Vigorous Activity	55 to 89 inclusive	12 to 24 <sup>O</sup> C 54 to 75 <sup>O</sup> F inclusive	greater than 3 km 2 mi	less than 8/10	less than 32 km/h 20 m1/h	N/A	N11
Beaching Activity	greater than 64	greater than 16 <sup>O</sup> C 60 <sup>O</sup> F	greater than 1½ km 1 mi	less than 8/10	less than 24 km/h 15 mi/h	N/A	N11
Yachting		-24 to 24°C -12 to 75°F	greater than 8 km 5 mi	N/A	less than 40 km/h 25 m1/h	N/A	Nil or light rain

N/A - Does not apply significantly.

TABLE 7

MEAN PERCENTAGE FREQUENCY OF SUITABLE DAYS FOR LANDSCAPE TOURING

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TABLE 8

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TABLE 10

MEAN PERCENTAGE FREQUENCY OF SUITABLE DAYS FOR VIGOROUS ACTIVITIES

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TABLE 11

MEAN PERCENTAGE FREQUENCY OF SUITABLE DAYS FOR BEACHING ACTIVITIES

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TABLE 12

MEAN MONTHLY WIND SPEEDS AND OBSERVED AND CALCULATED MAXIMUM GUST SPEEDS (MPH)

														Maxim obser		Calculated probable	
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Hourly speed (mph)	Gust (mph)	maximum gust (mph)	
							LAI	BRAI	) O R								
Hopedale	13.5	13.0	13.8	12.0	10.5	10.7	10.0	10.8	12.5	13.7	14.6	15.3	12.5	NNW 64	73	88	
Cape Harrison	13.8	14.8	15.2	14.1	11.0	9.8	9.1	10.4	14.2	14.6	15.3	15.0	13.1	WNW 75		103	
Goose, Bay	10.5	9.8	10.5	10.4	9.3	9.0	8.6	8.8	10.1	10.0	10.2	11.0	9.9	NNW 48	80	68	ı
Cartwright	12.9	12.9	13.8	13.3	10.6	10.3	8.6	8.7	11.0	12.8	14.1	14.6	12.0	SVL 64	80	88	100
Battle Harbour Loran	18.7	18.5	18.2	17.3	13.8	13.8	12.8	12.8	14.9	16.3	18.0	19.2	16.2	SVL 80	86	109	1
Border (P.Q.)	13.3	13.0	12.4	12.1	12.1	11.0	10.2	10.6	12.9	13.7	13.4	14.4	12.4	₩ 66		91	
Schefferville (P.Q.)	10.8	11.0	10.7	10.6	11.3	11.2	10.6	10.8	12.3	12.3	11.5	11.3	11.2	S 60	92	83	
Churchill Falls A	10.5	10.2	11.9	11.2	11.7	11.0	9.3	9.1	11.0	10.2	9.3	10.3	10.5	SW 38	63	55	
Wabush Lake	8.3	7.9	8.5	8.8	8.9	8.7	8.7	7.9	8.8	9.2	8.5	8.0	8.5	W 50	70	70	
Lake Eon A (P.Q.)	8.4	8.4	9.1	8.9	8.2	8.0	7.6	7.5	8.9	8.9	8.1	7.7	8.3	SW 60	65	83	
Cape Whittle (P.Q.)	21.9	20.6	18.8	18.0	15.9	15.1	14.9	14.8	17.3	19.2	21.4	20.7	18.2	NE 84		114	
Harrington Hr. (P.Q.)	15.8	15.5	15.9	13.7	11.8	11.6	10.4	11.4	13.0	13.8	15.2	15,9	13.7	SW 60		83	
Natashquan (P.Q.)	12.2	13.0	12.9	11.2	9.4	10.1	9.1	9.3	10.6	11.5	12.3	11.2	11.2	SW 56		78	
Grindstone Island (P.Q.)	24.0	21.7	19.2	20.8	17.7	16.6	16.5	17.2	18.8	20.6	21.8	21.6	19.7	W 80		109	

Table 12 (Cont'd)

	·													Maxin obset		Calculated probable
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Нау	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Hourly speed (mph)	Gust (mph)	maximum gust (mph)
			•		I S L	AND	0 F	NEW	F O U	N D L	AND					<del></del>
Stephenville	11.8	11.3	10.3	9.6	8.2	7.1	6.6	7.9	8.1	9.0	10.1	11.3	9.3	NNW 71	85	97
St. Andrews	13.8	13.0	11.9	9.8	8.8	7.6	7.5	8.1	9.0			13.5	10.5	SVI 90		122
St. Anthony	15.0	14.4	15.0	13.2	11.0	10.3	10.0	11.0	12.2	12.4	13.3	14.0	12.7	SVL 70	85	96
St. Anthony A	13.5					12.3								N 70	100	96
Willingate	20.8					12.8								SSW 72		99
omfort Cove 1						13.8								SW 64		88
Comfort Cove 2	16.9		15.4			15.4							16.1	SW 82	78	111
onavista	20.5	18.7	16.8			13.8								SVL 70	102	96
t. John's A	16.8	16.9	16.3			13.9								N 85	120	115
ape Race	20.2	21.6	20.5			14.4								N 82		111
rgentia	16.9					12.0								N 70	85	96
t. Lawrence	19.6					11.9							16.2	WSW 90		122
rand Bank	17.9	16.3				12.0						16.0	14.1	NE 66		91
t. Albans	6.5	7.1	7.8	8.2	7.5	7.2	6.5	7.1	6.5	7.5	7.5	6.8	7.2	NW 36		52
urgeo	18.2	18.4	17.1	16.1	13.8	11.1	9.7			14.2				· SW 80	100	109
ort aux Basques	19.2	18.1	15.2			11.5							14.3	WNW 72	100	99

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Table 12 (Cont'd)														Maxi obse Hourly		Calculated probable maximum
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	&pr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	speed (mph)	Gust (mph)	gust (mph)
Deer Lake A	9.6	10.1	9.9	10.1	9.6	9.0	8.5	8.3	8.1	8.8	8.9	8.7	9.1	WSW 50	70	70
Buchans A	15.4	15.4	16.0	13.8	11.9	11.5	10.8	11.4	12.1	12.8	13.6	14.7	13.3	SSE 65		90
Gander	15.2	14.8	14.4	13.8	12.4	11.5	10.7	10.7	11.6	12.8	13.5	14.1	13.0	SVL 65	100	90

SVL - Several directions

TABLE 13

MEAN MONTHLY NUMBER OF DAYS WITH MEASURABLE RAINFALL (1941-1970)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
•				LAB	RAD	OR							
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST													
Hopedale Cape Harrison	1 1	1	2 1	3 4	8 8	12 12	15 15	15 15	14 15	9	4 5	2 2	86 88
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST	i									•			
Goose Bay Cartwright Battle Harbour Battle Harbour Loran	1 3 2 2	1 2 * 3	2 2 1 4	4 4 4	11 11 5	15 14 8 13	16 15 7 13	16 16 8 14	13 14 7 10	11 12 6 11	5 6 5 9	2 3 1 4	97 102 54 97
INTERIOR PLATEAU													
Fort Chimo (P.Q.) Schefferville (P.Q.) Wabush Lake Churchill Falls Lake Eon (P.Q.)	* 1 * 0 1	* 1 0 1	* 1 1 1	1 2 2 2 2	5 8 7 7 9	11 14 13 12 14	13 18 17 14 16	15 19 19 13	15 14 14 11 13	7 8 8 7 10	2 2 4 3 4	2 1 0 2	69 89 87 70 90
UPOT COLOT		ISL	AND	O F	NEW	FOU	ומאנ	ANI	)				
WEST COAST													
Daniel's Harbour Corner Brook Stephenville St. Andrews	3 4 6 7	2 4 5 5	. 3 5 5	5 7 9 9	10 13 13 12	12 13 13 12	12 14 13 11	13 15 14 12	12 14 13 14	12 17 15 15	11 13 14 14	4 6 8 8	99 125 128 125
EAST COAST													,
St. Anthony Twillingate Bonavista	3 5 6	2 4 7	3 4 7	5 7 8	9 10 11	11 12 12	10 12 10	12 12 14	11 11 12	11 12 15	9 11 14	3 6 9	89 106 125
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON													
St. John's A St. John's Argentia St. Lawrence Burgeo Grand Bank	9 8 10 6 6 7	8 7 8 7 5 6	9 8 9 6 6 7	12 10 13 8 8	14 13 12 11 12	13 10 13 9 12 12	13 10 13 9 13	15 13 14 11 13	14 13 11 11 12 11	17 16 12 11 13	16 16 14 13 13	11 10 12 10 9	151 134 141 112 122 121
INTERIOR				<b>-</b> .				• • •					
Gander Grand Falls Springdale Buchans A	6 3 3 4	6 4 2 3	7 5 3 3	9 6 3 6	13 11 8 10	14 13 10 12	13 14 9 13	16 14 11 14	15 12 9 12	15 14 10 12	13 12 9 10	8 6 4 5	135 114 81 104
GRAND LAKE LOWLANDS						;							
Deer Lake	4	3	4	7	12	13	13	14	13	15	12	5	115

<sup>\*</sup> less than one-half day

TABLE 14

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH FREEZING RAIN OR FREEZING DRIZZLE

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Period of record
				L	ABR	A D O R							
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	*			0.3	0.8	0.2	1957-66
Schefferville (P.Q.)	1.8	1.6	1.0	0.4	0.1	*			*	0.7	1.8	1.0	1957-66
Goose Bay	1.4	0.9	0.6	0.3	*						0.8	1.3	1957-66
		I	SLAI	N D O I	FNE	WFOU	N.D.L	A N D					
Daniel's Harbour	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.2	0.1						0.3	0.7	1966-72
Stephenville	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.4							0.2	0.4	1957-66
St. John's A	4.1	6.5	5.5	4.9	0.9	•					0.3	1.9	<b>19</b> 57 <b>-</b> 66
Argentia	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.2							*	0.3	1953-70
Gander	4.8	5.7	5.6	3.0	1.2	*				*	0.7	3.1	1957-66
				H A	ARIT	I M.E S	3						
Halifax	1.9	1.8	1.8	0.5	*	•		•			*	1.0	
Truro	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.1							*	0.6	
Greenwood	1.2	1.1	0.4	0.1		•					0.1	0.5	
Fredericton	1.0	1.6	0.7	0.2			:				0.3	1.0	
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TABLE 15

MEAN FRESH-WATER TEMPERATURES IN PROVINCIAL PARKS (°C)
(A, B, etc. - LETTER INDENTIFIERS REFER TO FIGURE 98)

	Park	JUN 5 15 25	JUL 5 15 25	A U G 5 15 25	S E P 5
A	La Manche	14 16 19	20 21 22	21 19 17	16
B	Cochrane Pond	12 15 17	18 20 21	21 20 17	16
С	Butter Pot	11 14 16	16 17 18	19 18 15	14
D	Gushue's Pond	13 15 16	17 20 20	20 19 17	15
E	Northern Bay Pool	14 18 20	18 21 22	23 21 19	17
F	Belleview Beach (Broad Lake)*	9 12 13	13 15 17	18 16 15	15
G	Jack's Pond	11 14 14	17 18 19	20 20 18	17
H	Frenchman's Cove	13 15 16	17 18 19	20 19 16	15
I	Lockston Path	9 11 14	15 16 18	19 18 15	15
J	Square Pond	11 14 16	17 19 21	20 19 18	16
K	David Smallwood	12 15 17	18 20 21	21 20 17	15 .
L	Windmill Bight Pond	10 13 15	16 18 20	20 18 14	12
M	Jonathan's Pond	10 13 15	18 19 20	20 17 15	13
N	Glenwood	13 16 18	18 20 21	21 19 17	15
0	Notre Dame	12 16 17	18 19 22	22 20 18	16
P	Dildo Run	9 13 14	15 16 17	18 18 16	15 ·
Q	Beothuck	13 15 17	18 19 20	20 17 16	<b>15</b>
R	Aspen Brook	12 14 16	16 16 18	18 16 13	11
S	Mary March	11 11 14	15 16 18	20 18 16	13
T	Catamaran	10 12 15	18 20 20	20 18 16	15
U	Indian River	12 15 17	19 21 22	23 20 18	16
V	Flat Water Pond	8 10 16	15 19 20	21 19 18	14
W	Squires Memorial	10 13 17	18 19 21	22 20 17	15
X	Sop's Arm	7 11 14	17 19 20	20 18 14	14
Y	River of Ponds	9 10 11	13 15 17	17 17 16	15
Z	Blue Ponds	11 14 16	17 18 19	20 19 18	17
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Table 15 (Cont'd)

Park	JUN 5 15 25	JUL 5 15 25	AUG 51525	SEP 5
AA Barachois Pond BB Picadilly Head	10 11 12	17 19 20 14 15 17	17 18 18	17 16
CC Crabbes River DD Grand Codroy	13 17 18	19 21 21 20 22 22	23 21 18	15 16
EE Mummichog  FF John T. Cheeseman (S)	8 8 8	19 21 23 11 13 13	15 14 13	16 11
John T. Cheeseman Swimming Pool	9 10 10	13 14 14	16 16 14	12

<sup>(</sup>S) Gulf of St. Lawrence

<sup>\*</sup> Broad Lake is a barachois pond (salt and fresh water mixed)
Note: 15.5° is rounded off to 15.

TABLE 16

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH VISIBILITY LESS THAN 10 KM (6 MI)

				-			-						
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
				LAB	RAD	OR							
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST										•			
Hopedale	26	22	28	23	19	17	15	14	8	12	19	21	19
Cape Harrison	33	28	38	33	20	18	17	12	13	12	19	22	22
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST													٠.
Goose Bay	19	16	22	13	9	6	6	4	5	8	17	18	12
Cartwright	18	19	29	23	21	13	11	12	9	10	19	20	17
Battle Harbour	21	21	28	25	25	25	26	24	14	14	23	22	22
Belle Isle	26	26	32	33	37	38	43	36	26	25	31	30	32
	I	SLA	N D	0 F 1	I E W	FOU	N D L	AND					
WEST COAST							•						
Daniel's Harbour	36	<b>3</b> 5	27	19	15	18	20	15	10	13	16	30	21
Stephenville	35	<b>3</b> 5	25	14	13	15	20	14	10	11	12	24	19
St. Andrews	27	25	17	14	10	9	10	6	7	6	12	22	14
EAST COAST					•								
St. Anthony	26	28	29	29	24	22	21	19	15	19	27	27	24
Twillingate	30	27	34	27	19	16	12	10	9	11	16	18	19
Bonavista	26	24	28	31	25	19	16	16	11	15	23	21	21
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON										•			
St. John's A	34	34	38	38	31	26	26	26	20	22	28	31	30 ·
Cape Race	32	31	31	34	37	, 44	54	44	27	25	26	24	34
St. Lawrence	28	32	31	28	39	46	55	48	22	23	28	25	34
Grand Bank	23	21	19	23	22	26	30	22	17	18	19	21	22
St. Alban's	9	16	18	10	11	15	18	16	9	9	17	15	14
Burgeo	26	35	32	29	41	48	55	48	29	26	30	26	<b>3</b> 5
INTERIOR													
Deer Lake	22	21	16	11	8	8	8	9	9	.9	12	19	13
Gander	31	27	32	35	22	20	13	16	14	18	27	26	23

TABLE 17

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH VISIBILITY LESS THAN 1 KM (5/8 MI)

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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
			1	ABI	RAD	O R							
NORTHERN HALF OF COA	ST								•			•	
Hopedale	7	9	10	5	3	3 4	3 5	. 3 . 3	0	1 2	3 4	6	4
Cape Harrison	11	10	10	8	4	4	5	. 3	2	2	4	5	6
SOUTHERN HALF OF COA	ST												
Goose Bay	<sub>2</sub>	1	2	1	.0	0	0	0	0	1	1	· 1	1
Cartwright	6	6	10	. 6	5	2	3	4	2	2	4	6	4
Battle Harbour	6	8	9	8	11	10	15	12	5	. 4	7	10	9
Belle Isle	15	18	18	21	30	30	37	31	21	20	23	18	24
			ISLA	ND	0 F	NEW	F O U	N.D F	A N D			•	
WEST COAST					•								
Daniel's Harbour	5	8	4	3	4	6	7	3	2	2	.1	4	4
Stephenville	5 5	7	2	1	2 2	2	2 2	1 1	1	1	1	1	2
St. Andrews	5	3	3	2	2	3	2	1	1.	1	1	2	2
EAST COAST													
St. Anthony	4	5	6	8	8	. 8	5	4	4	4	4	5	5
Twillingate	5	5 7	7	8 5	4	4	5 2 6	1	1	1	3 6	5 3 6	5 4
Bonavista	. 7	8	10	12	11	7	6	3	3	3	6	6	7
SOUTH COAST AND AVAL	ON											•	
St. John's A	8	10	13	16	13	8	8	6	5	4	7	7	9
Cape Race	15	15	15	20	28	35	46	36	19	16	13	13	23
St. Lawrence	8	9	11	9	26	37	43	36	12	- 11	11	8	18
Grand Bank	4	3	2	2	3	5	6	2	2	2	1	3	3
St. Alban's	3	4	4	3	3	4	6	3	. 3	3	7	3	4
Burgeo	4	8	8	7	19	29	37	27	10	8	5	6	14
INTERIOR													
Deer Lake	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	2	1	1
Gander	5	5	6	6	5	3	2	2	2	2	2 5	1 5	. 4

TABLE 18

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH FOG OR ICE FOG (VISIBILITY LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 10 KM /6 MI)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Period of record
				L A B	RAD	O R							
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	3.0	3.4	3.6	3.0	3.5	5.4	6.6	7.6	4.4	2.7	2.0	2.3	1957-66
Schefferville (P.Q.)	8.6	6.1	4.0	2.3	6.0	5.8	6.0	5.7	5.8	7.3	6.8	5.0	1957-66.
Goose Bay	4.0	4.2	4.8	4.5	7.4	6.8	7.8	5.0	5.1	7.5	6.2	3.4	1957#66
			1 8	L A N	D O F	N E W	FOUN	DLA	N D				:
Daniel's Harbour	2.1	2.3	5.6	6.9	15.0	21.5	21.2	17.0	11.7	13.6	8.4	5.1	1966-72
Stephenville	3.6	3.2	4.1	9.8	10.9	11.9	14.4	9.2	8.3	7.8	7.7	4.6	1957-66
St. John's A	19.2	23.9	25.8	28.3	31.2	26.3	25.2	20.5	16.3	21.0	23.7	16.8	1957-66
Argentia	13.6	12.1	16.4	22.8	27.4	36.3	41.0	31.1	21.0	18.4	16.5	12.1	1953-70
Gander	14.7	16.8	20.3	22.6	19.6	17.6	13.5	12.7	12.1	16.5	20.0	12.8	1957-66

TABLE 19

MOST FREQUENT WIND DIRECTION WITH PERCENTAGE OF TIME BY MONTHS. (WIND DIRECTIONS OF SECONDARY IMPORTANCE ARE GIVEN BELOW THE PREVAILING DIRECTION FOR THE MONTH.)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Period of wind record
	•				L	A B R	A D O	R						
Hopedale	SW 15	SW 15	NNW 19	NNW 18	N 14	N 11	N 11	N 10	WSW 12	<b>WSW</b> 15	WSW 12	WSW 15	WSW 10	1963-72
Cape Harrison	W 15	WNW 17	WNW 25	WNW 21	WNW 13 S 10	NW 15	NW 12	NW 11	WNW 13	W 17	W 16 S 10	W 19	WNW 14	1955-61
Goose Bay	WSW 20	WSW 17	W 13	NE 16	NE 14	NE 13	W 11 NE 11	WSW 12	<b>WSW</b> 15	<b>W</b> 15	W 16	wsw 23	WSW 13	1955- <b>72</b> ,
Cartwright	SSW 15	SSW 17 NW 12	NW 14 SSW 13	NNW 16 SSW 10	SSW 12 NNW 11	SSW 14 N 11	SSW 17 N 10	SSW 16 N 10	SSW 17	SSW 14 WNW 10	SSW 15	WNW 14 SSW 11	SSW 14	1963-72
Battle Harbour Loran	W 17	NW 13	NNW 15	N 16 S 10	S 19 N 13	S 20 N 11	S 26	\$ 20	S 14	W 10 S 10	W 12 S 11	W 16	\$ 13	1957–72
Border (P.Q.)	* NW 23	NW 19	NW 23	NW 22	NW 22	NW 21	W 20	W 18	W 24	W 24	SW 22	NW 23	NW 21	1965–72
Schefferville (P.Q.)	NW 16 SSE 10	NW 18	NNW 17	NNW 14	NW 14 SSE 11	NNW 12 SSE 10	NW 11	NW 12	NW 13	w 11	NW 13 SSE 10	NW 19	<b>NW</b> 15	1955–72

Table 19 (Cont'd)

	•	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Period of wind record
Churchill Falls		W 17	พ 19	W 12 NE 12	NW 12 ENE 11	NW 12	<b>W</b> 15	W 17	W 14	W 18	W 18	W 11 ESE 10	พ 21	W 15	1968-72
Wabush Lake		W 11	W 12	N 11	N 12	N 10	<b>W</b> 8	W 10	W 11	W 13	W 12 S 10	W 10 S 10	W 12	W 10	1961-72
Lake Eon (P.Q.)		WNW 13	WNW 15	WNW .12	NW 11	WNW 10	SSW 11	SSW 13	SSW 12	SW 12 W 12	NW 12 W 10	NW 10	NW 16	NW 11	1955–72
Cape Whittle (P.Q.)	*	NE 27 NW 24	N 21 W 18	N 21 SW 15	NE 22 SW 15	SW 18 E 18	SW 21 E 15	\$ 31	SW 22	SW 24	W 25	W 18 NE 15	N 25 W 21	W 18	1963-68
Harrington Hr. (P.Q.)	*	W 26 NE 19	W 26 NE 17	NE 26 SW 16	NE 26 SW 21	SW 34 NE 18	SW 38 NE 15	SW 45	SW 43	SW 37	SW 27	SW 19 NE 15	W 22 N 21	SW 26	1966-72
Natashquan (P.Q.)		NW 31	NW 30 NE 15	N 19 W 18	W 19 NE 17	<b>SW</b> 15	W 19	พ 25	W 26	W 24	W 21 N 15	NE 21 W 16	NW 29 NE 25	W 18	1969-72
Grindstone (P.Q.) (also 16 pts.)		NW 27	NW 24	N 25	N 24	S 21 NW 16	SW 23	SW 33	W 24	SW 22	NW 19 N 16	NW 24	NW 25	NW 19	1958-68

	T	Pak	Mass	A	Van	T	T., 1		Son.	0-+	Non	Doo	Voor	Period of wind
	Jan.	reb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	sep.	Oct.	NOV.	Dec.	Year	record
			I	SLAN	D O	F N I	EWFO	ומטכ	DLAI	N D				
Stephenville	W	W	ENE	ENE	WSW	WSW	WSW	WSW	WSW	W	W	W	W	_
•	16	14	12	11	14	16	17	16	12	12	14	16	12	1956-72
	ENE	ENE	W	WSW	ENE	ENE					ENE			
	10	10	10	11.	10	10					10			
St. Andrews	WNW	NW	NE	WM	S	SW	S	S	SSW	WNW	WNW	WNW	NW	7055 ((
	14 NE	11	10 NW	9	9	12	13	13	12	9	11	13	9	1955–66
	10		10									,		
St. Anthony	W	W	N	N	N	S	W	SW	W	W	W	W	W	
	24	20	20	11	11	11	13	16	16	16	19	27	16	1955-65
	N	N	W	W		· W	S	S						
•	11	13	13	10		. 10	13	11						_ 
St. Anthony A	SW	SW	SW	SW	NE	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	S	SW	SW	112
	12 N	16 N	14 NNE	12 N	12 SW	20	22	15 NE	19	16	17	12 N	15	1966-70
•	11	10	11	12	11			10				11		
Twillingate	W	WNW	NNE	NNE	S	SSW	SSW	SSW	SW	SSW	W	W	W	
•	12	12	10	11	11	11	17	13	13	12	12	13	10	1955-66
Comfort Cove 1	* SW	SW	NE	SW        SW										
	17	17	24	31	34	37	51	50	. 39	29	28	24	31	1955-65
	NE 16	NE 16	SW 16	NE 15	N 15									
												_		
Comfort Cove 2	W 13	SW 12	SW 14	SW 12	SW 22	SW 23	SW 23	SW 22	SW 16	SW 16	SW 11	E 11	SW 15	1966-72
	13	12	14	NE	22	23	23	22	ΤΩ	10		11	13	1900-72
				10									•	
Bonavista	W	W	WSW	WSW	SW	SW	SW	SW	WSW	WSW	W	W	WSW	
	20	12	10	10	14	19	20	17	16	13	13	18	11	1959-72
				NNW										
				10			-							

Table 19 (Cont'd)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Period of wind record
St. John's A	W 17	W 15	WSW 13	WSW 15	<b>WSW</b> 18	WSW 24	WSW 27	WSW 26	WSW 20	WSW 17	W 13	W 15	WSW 17	1955-72
Cape Race	* W 28 NE 17	NW 23 NE 23	NE 27 NW 21	SW 25 NE 20	NE 30 SW 25	SW 37 NE 26	SW 44 NE 17	SW 36 NE 16	SW 28 NE 17	W 25 NE 17	SW 22 NE 17	W 22	SW 26	1955-69
Argentia	W 11	W 10	N 11	SSW 20	SSW 29	SSW 37	SSW 41	SSW 35	SSW 26	SSW 16	SSW 11	WSW 12	SSW 20	1956-69
St. Lawrence	WNW 17	W 15	W 14	W 15	W 18	WSW 22	WSW 25	WSW 21	W 16	W 18	W 10	W 13	W 16	1966-72
Grand Bank		NW 28 SW:NE 19:16		SW 27 NE 16	SW 25 NE 12	<b>SW</b> 34	SW 40	<b>SW</b> 36	SW 38	SW 31	SW 24 NE 10	SW 26 NE 11	SW 28	1957-66 , 11 13
St. Albans	* NW 29	NW 25 SW 16	SW 22 NW 16	NW 20 SW 16	SW 23 NW 17	SW 33	SW 29	SW 40 NW 17	SW 26 NW 23	NW 25 SW 24	NW 22 SW 18	NW 29 SW 16	SW 23	1968-72
Burgeo	WNW 20	NW 19	W 13 NE 11	E 14 W 13	E 19 W 12	E 19 W 10	E 20 W 12	E 16 W 13	E 13 W 12	W 15	WNW 12 E 12	WNW 15	W 12 E 12	1966-72
Port aux Basques	NW 18	W 17 E 11	E 15 WNW 12	E 23 WNW 15	E 30 WNW 16	E 38 WNW 15	E 39 WNW 15	E 25 WNW 12	E 21 WNW 14	E 15 W 14	E 21 NW 12	NW 15 E 10	E 21	1966-72
Deer Lake A	SW 18 NE 16	SW 21 NE 15	SW 19 NE 18	NE 24 SW 14	SW 19 NE 16	SW 22 NE 13	SW 24	SW 21 NE 11	SW 20 NE 12	SW 21 NE 11	NE 19 SW 18	NE 18 SW 17	SW 20	1965–72

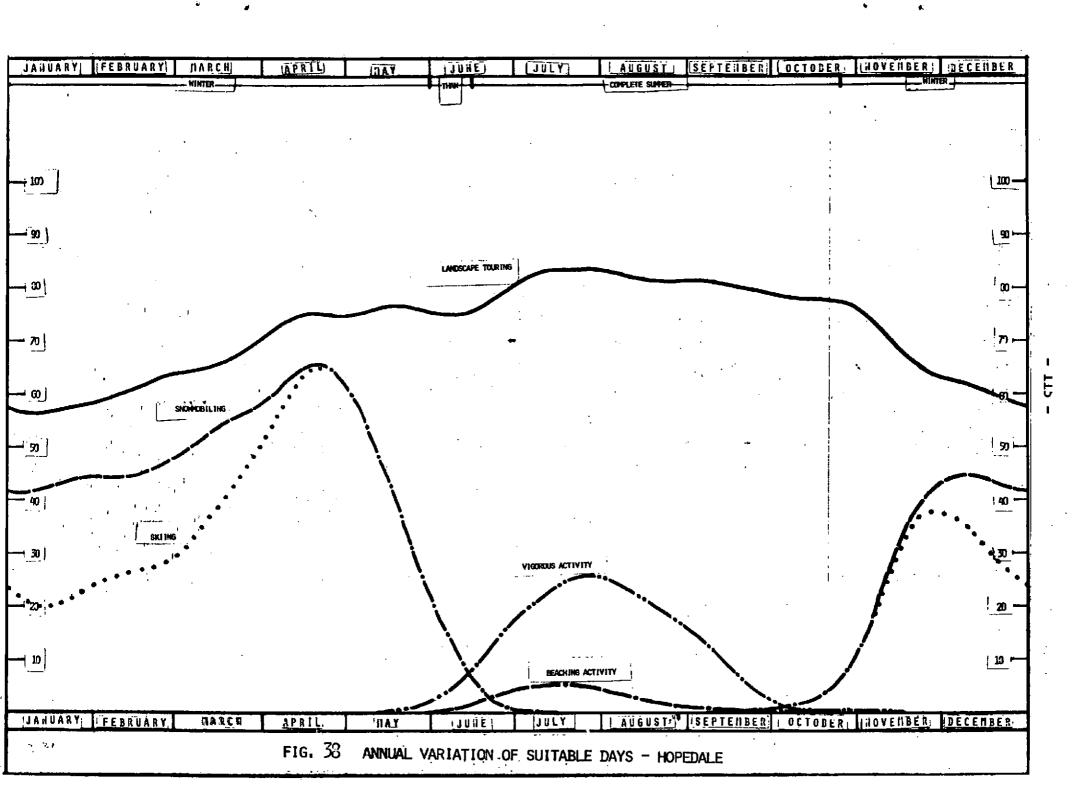
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	13	17	18 NNE 10	15	11	10 S 10	11	11 SSW 10	13	12	13	15	12	1955-65
Gander	W	WNW	NNW	NNW	WSW	SW	SW	WSW	WSW	WSW	W	W	WSW	
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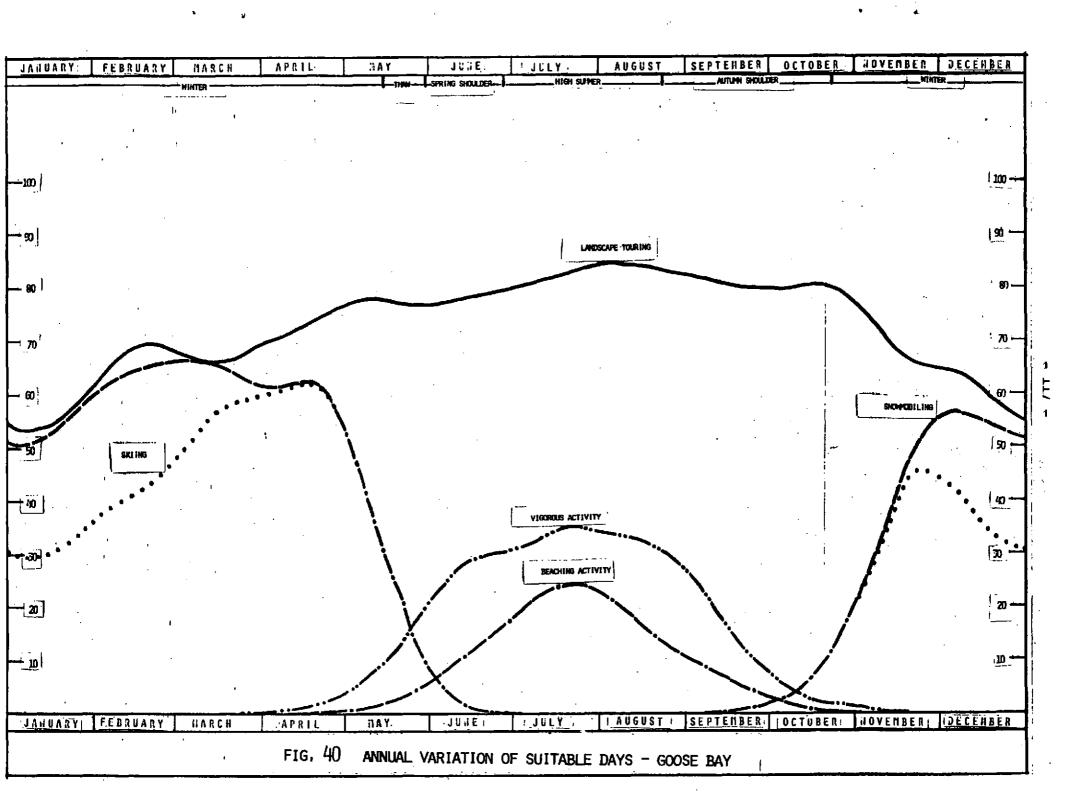
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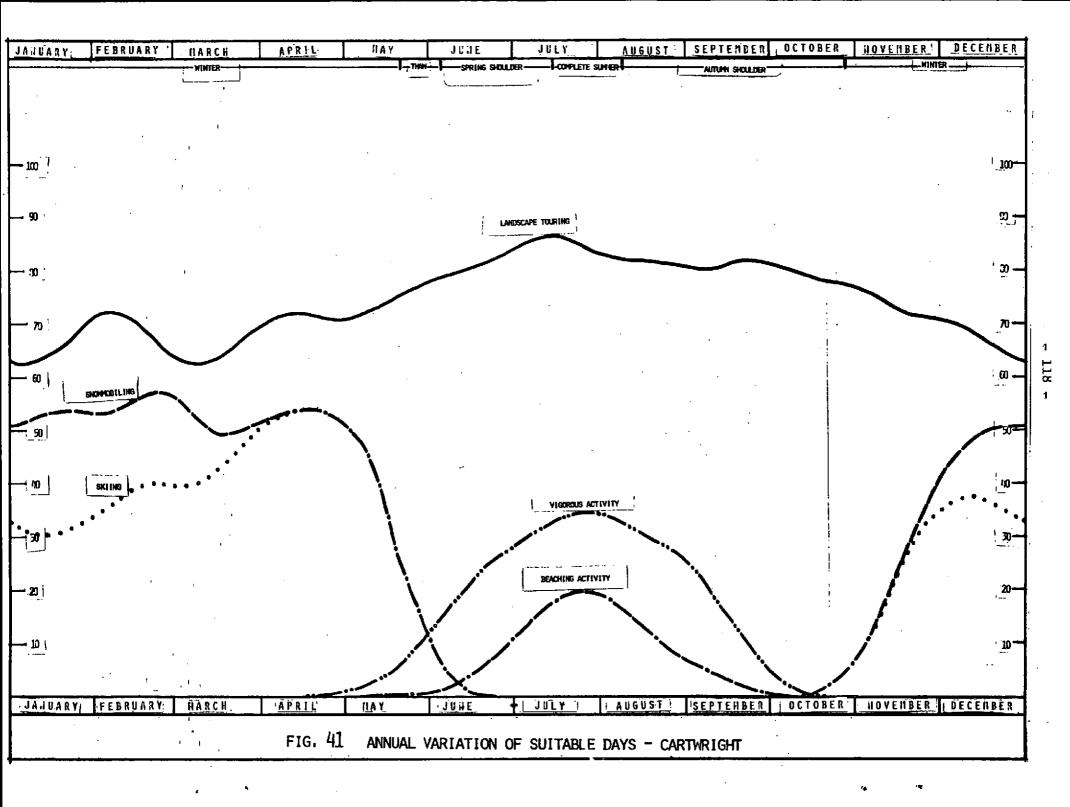
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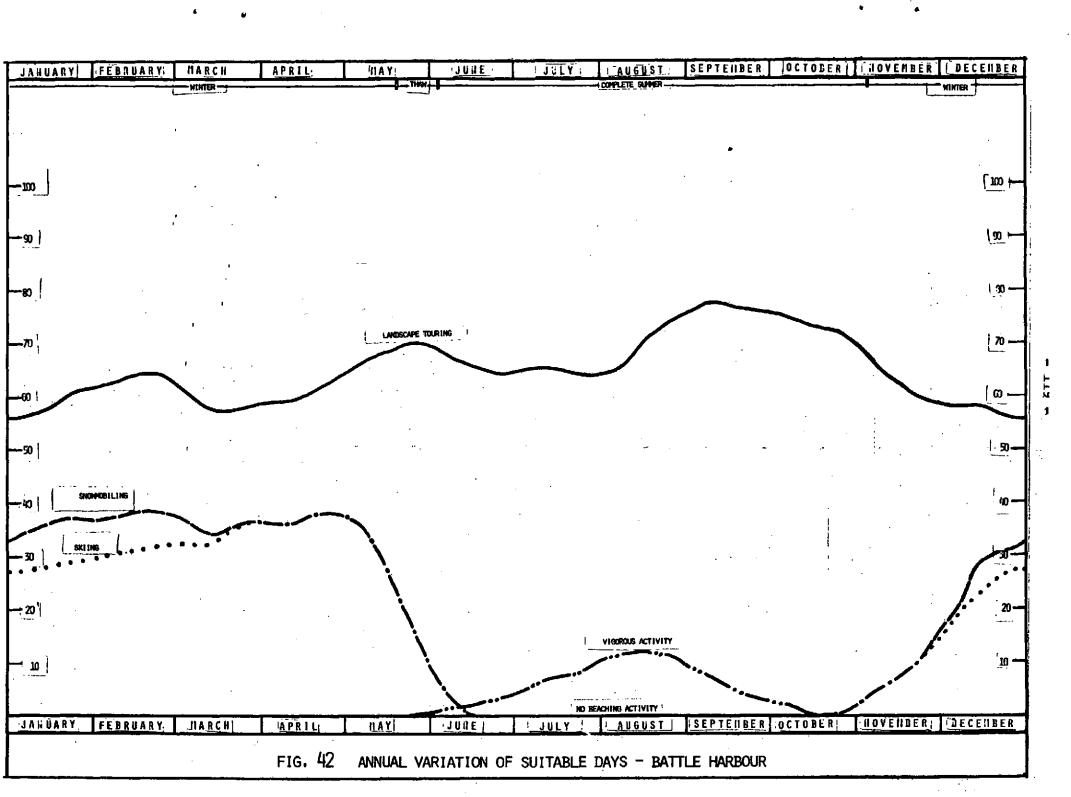
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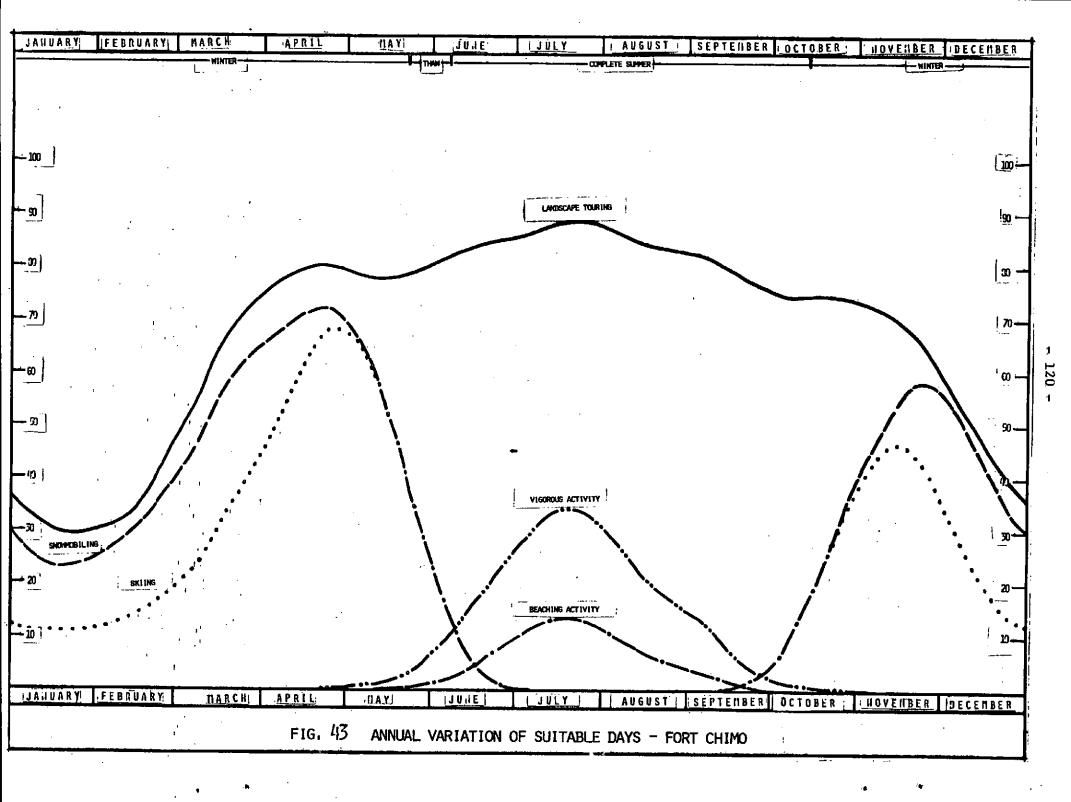


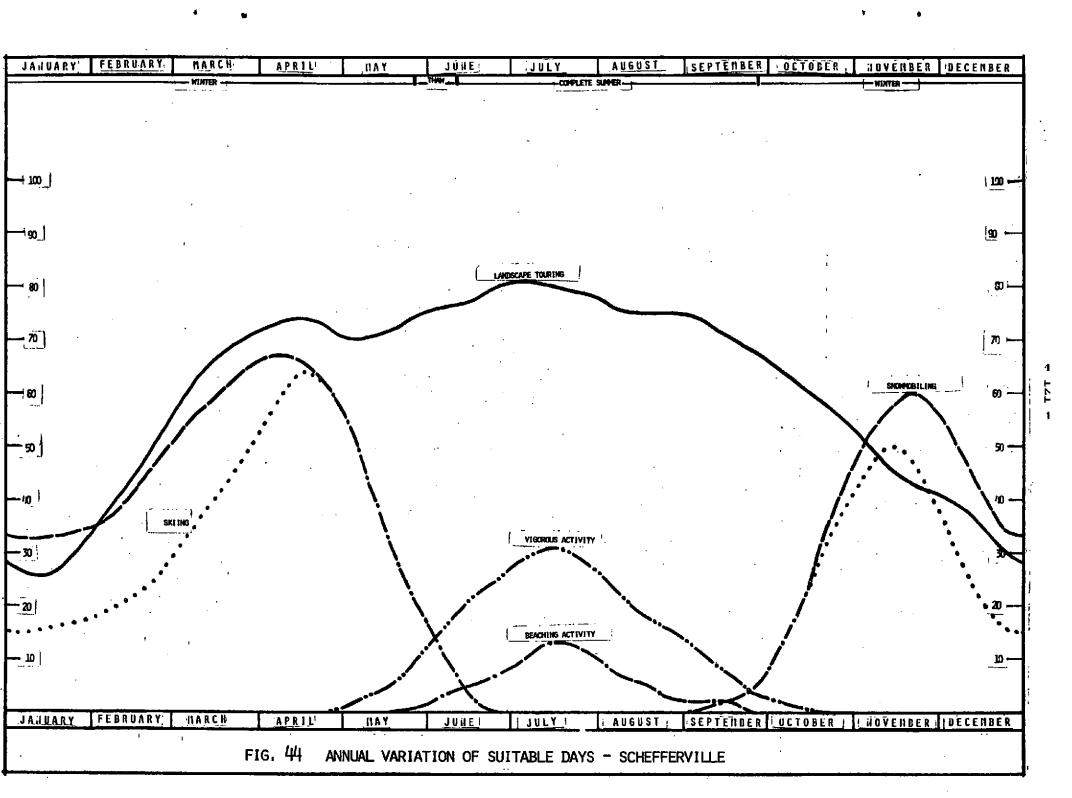
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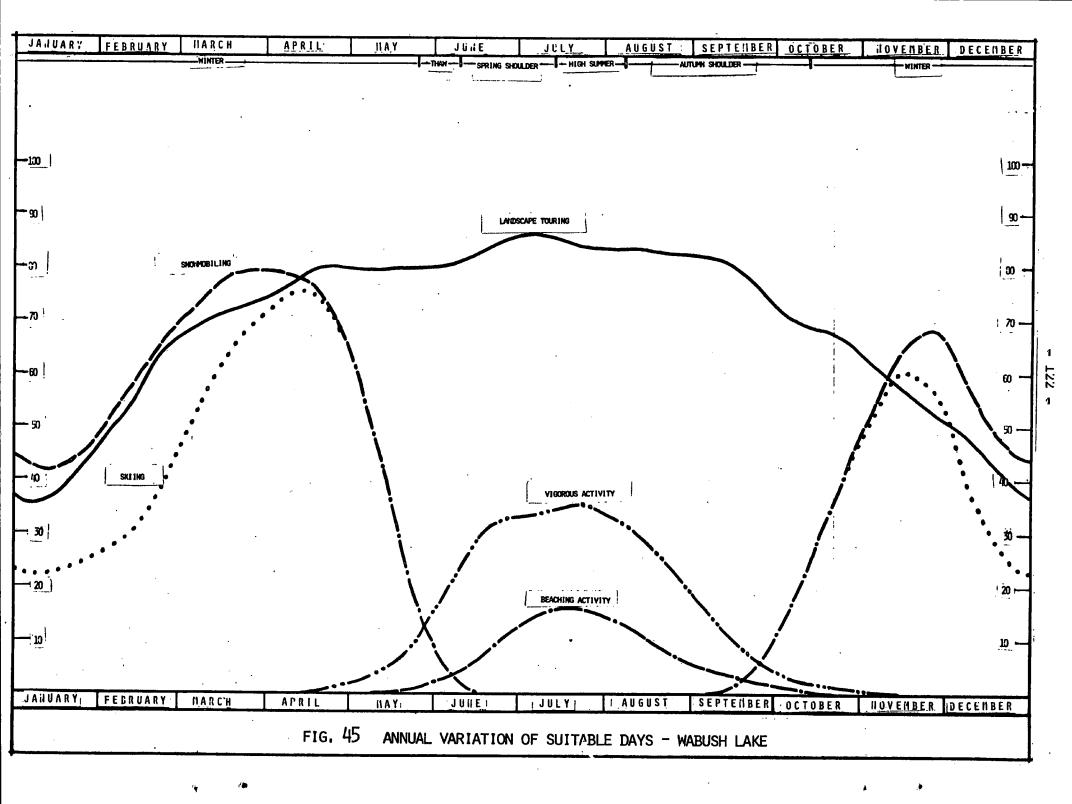


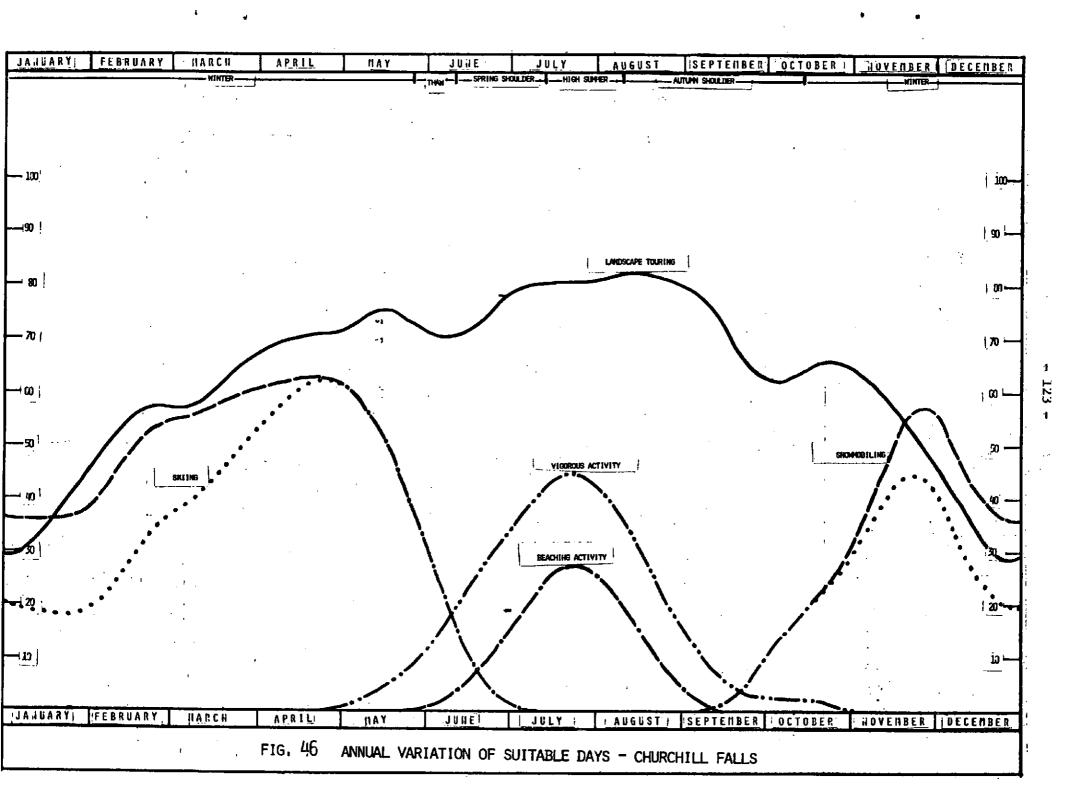


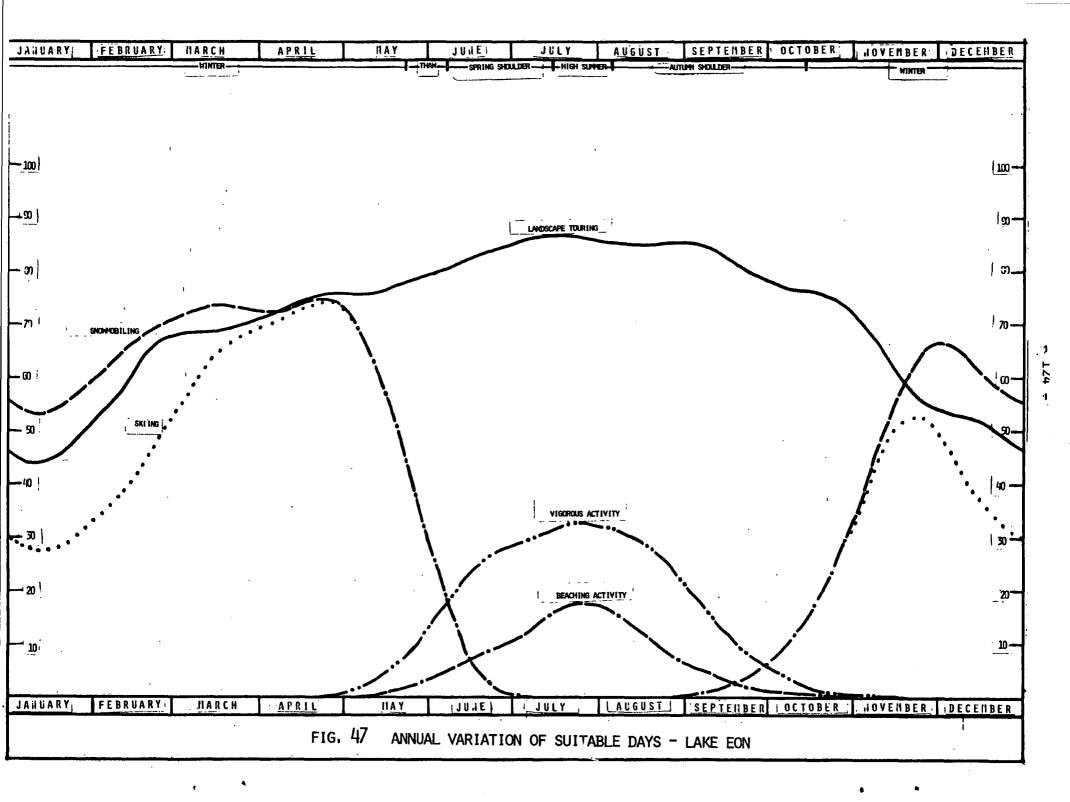


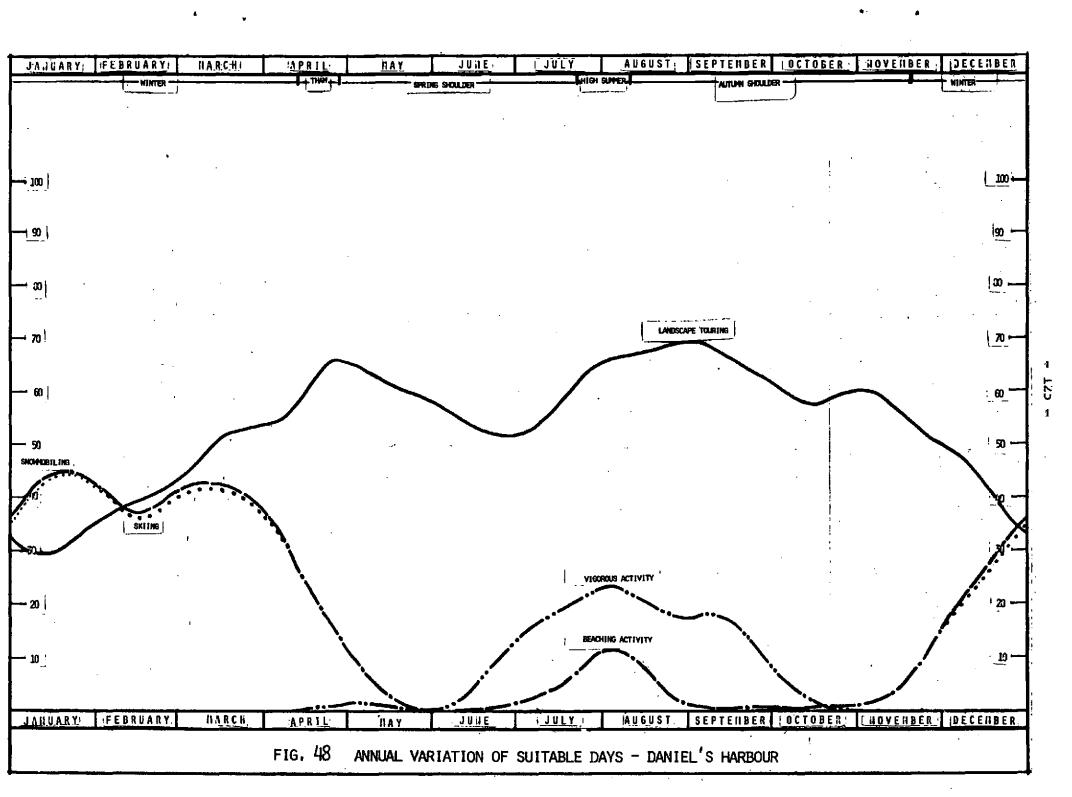


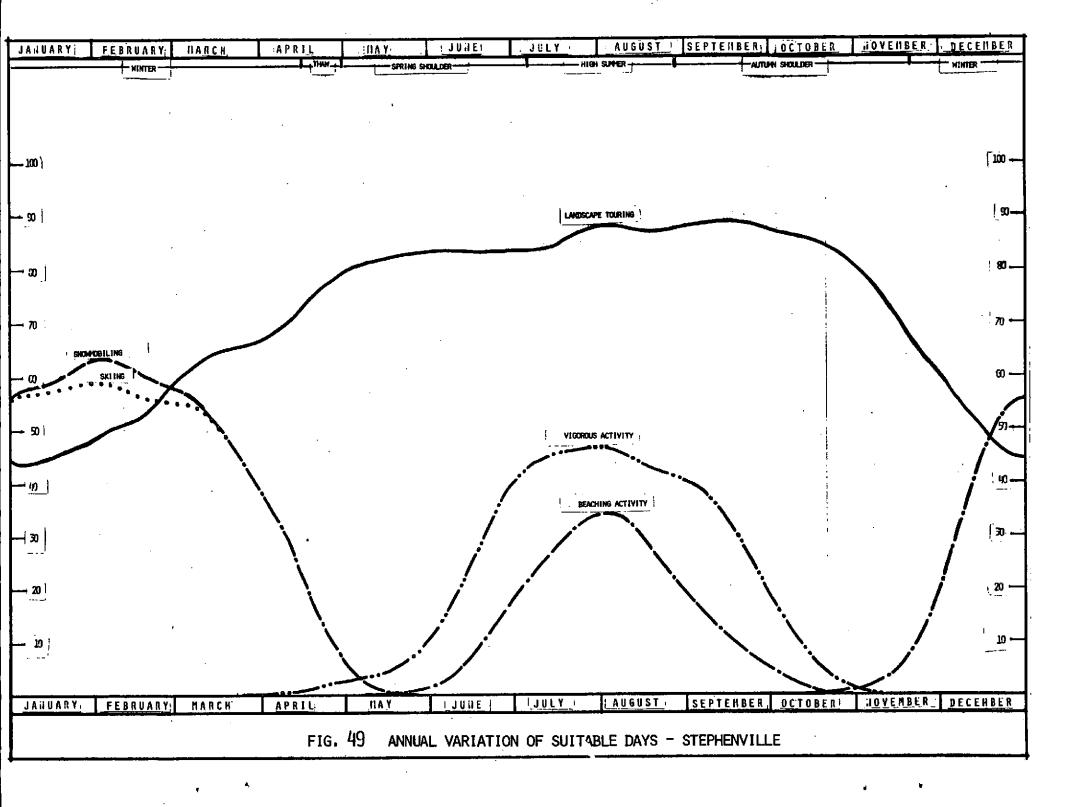


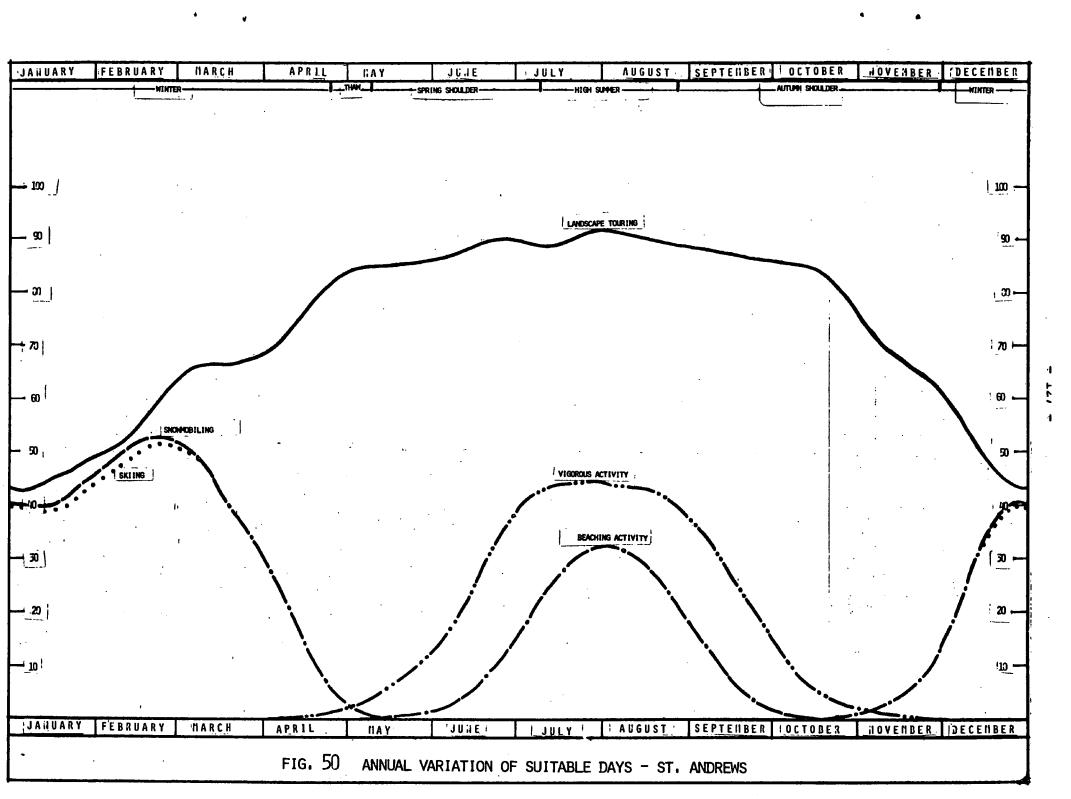


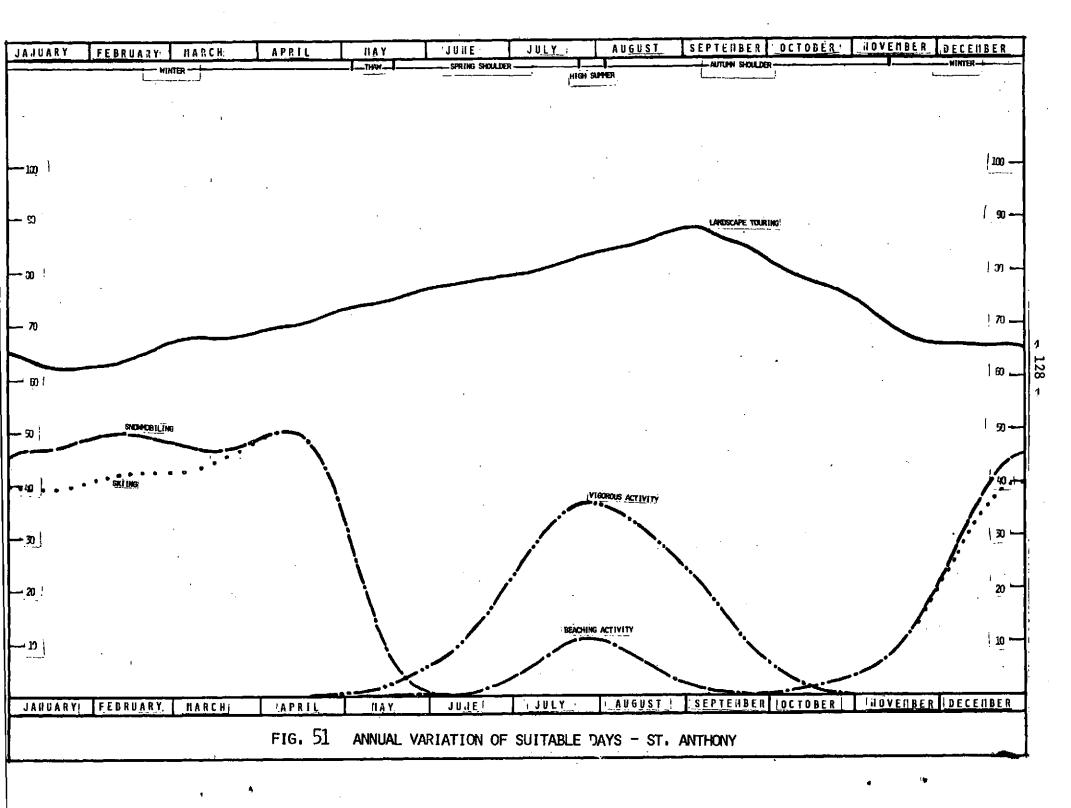


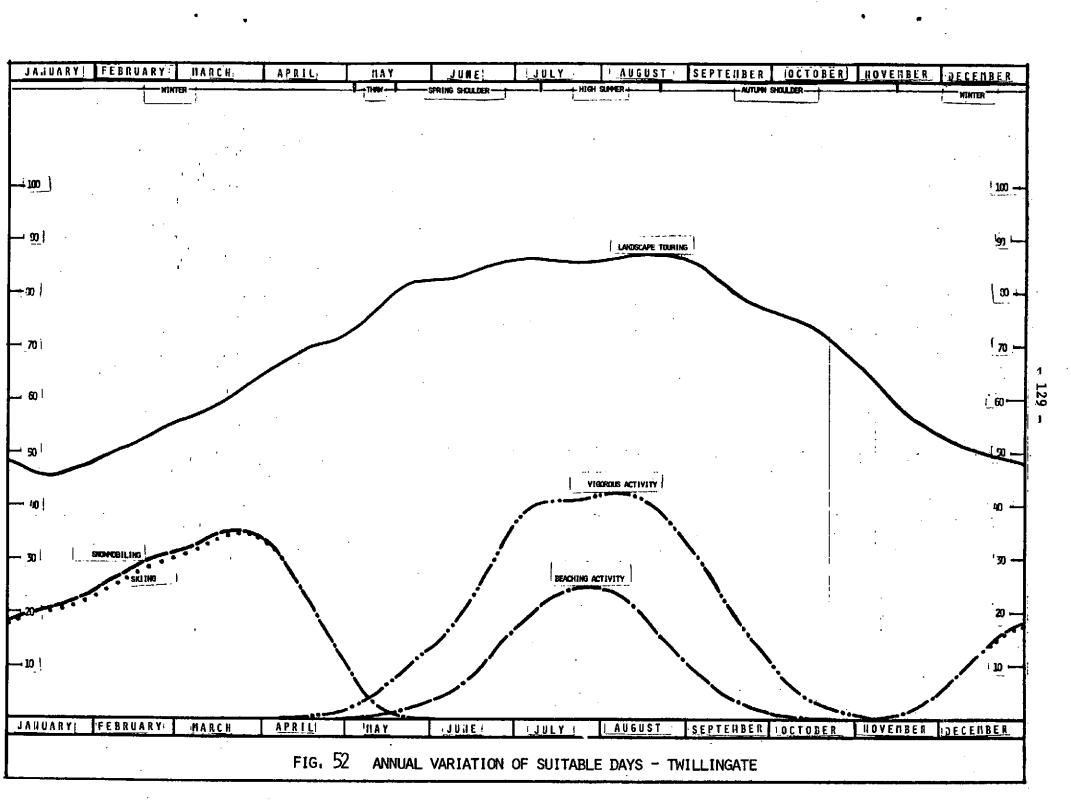


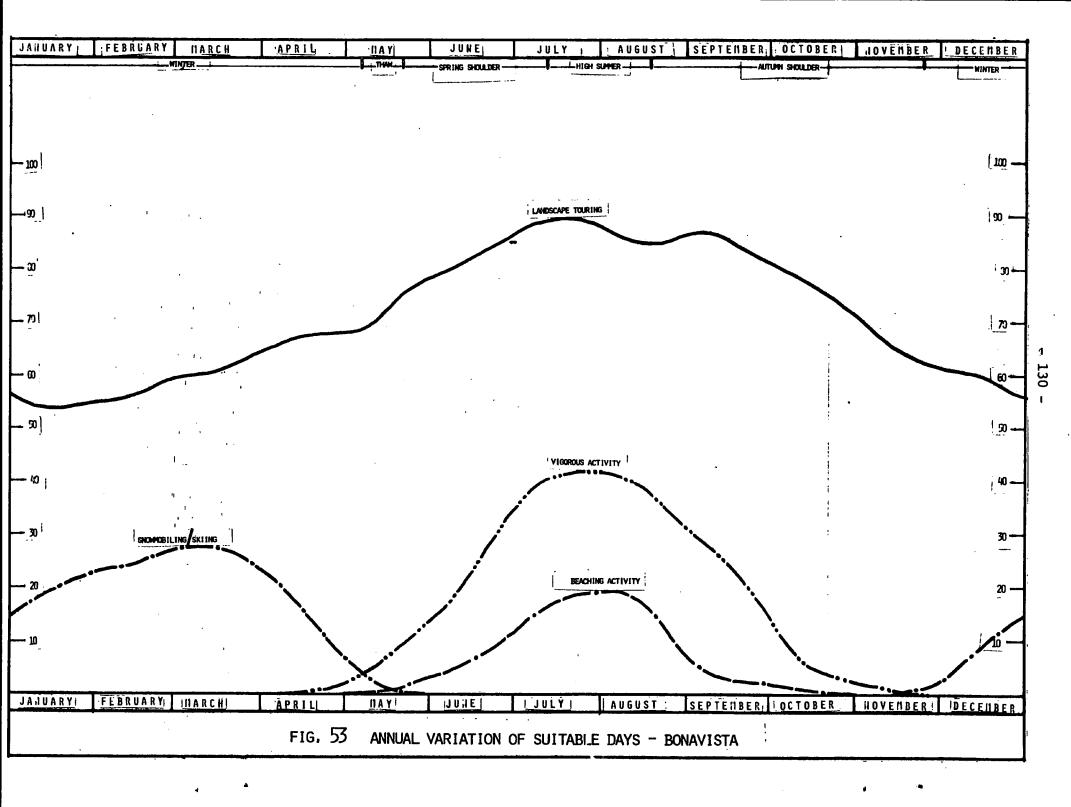


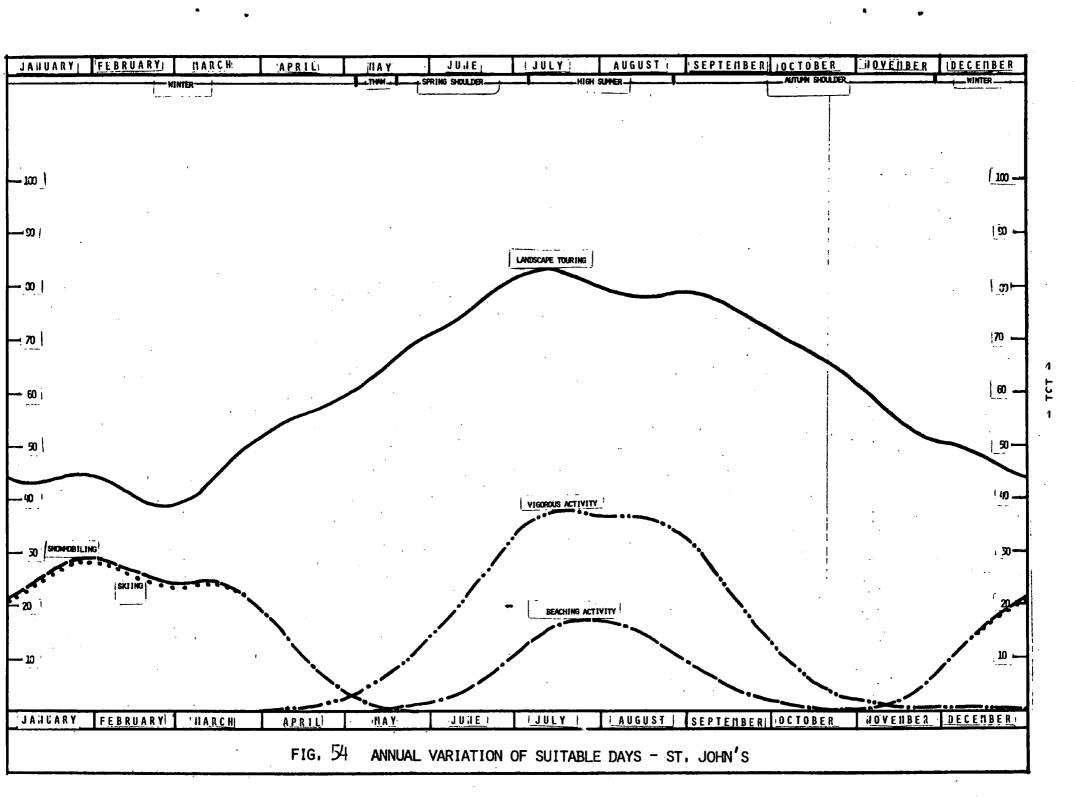


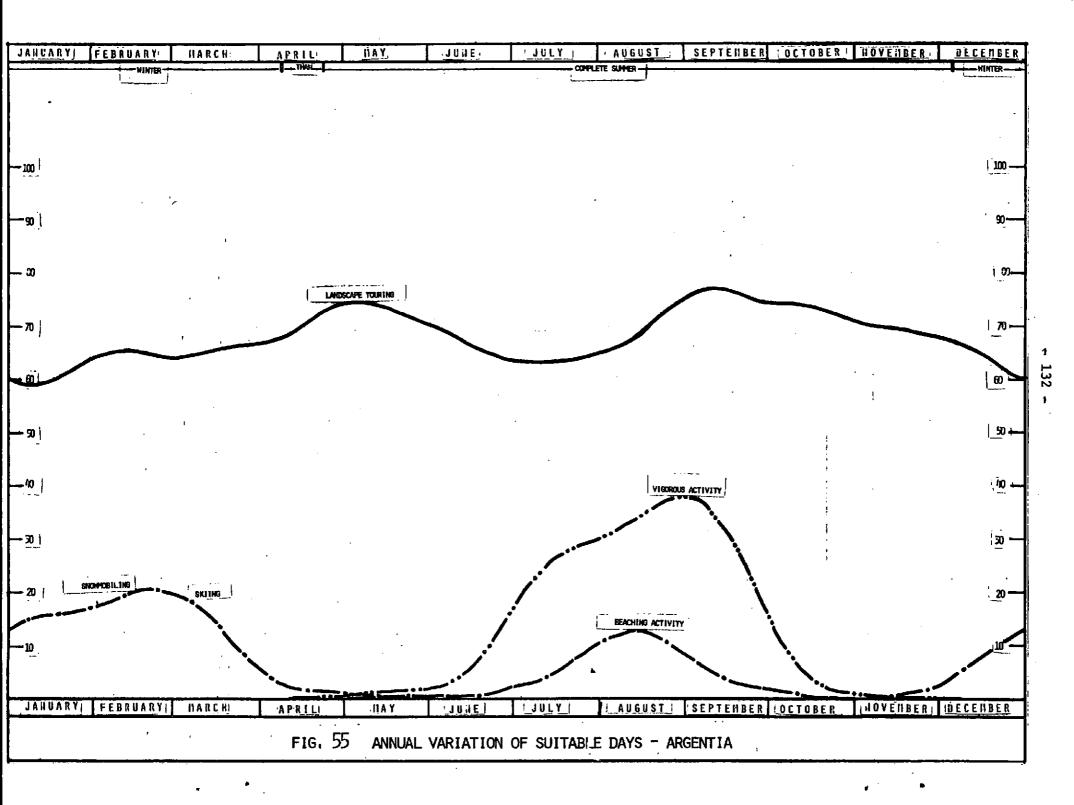


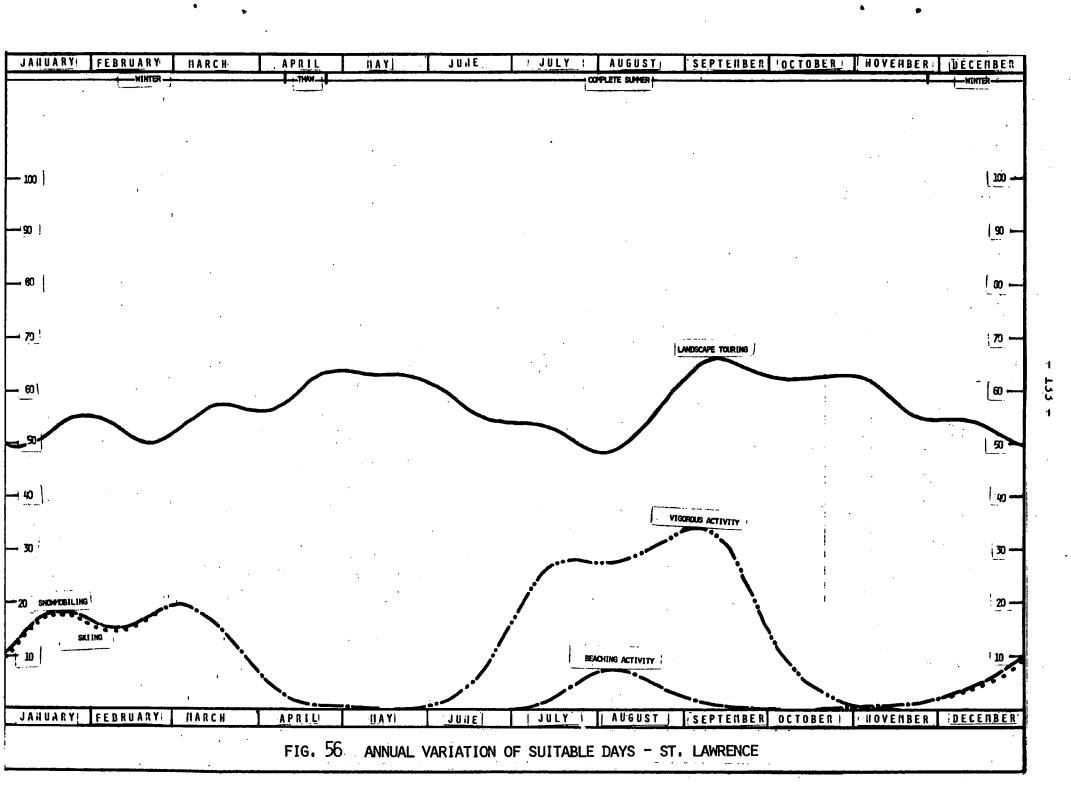


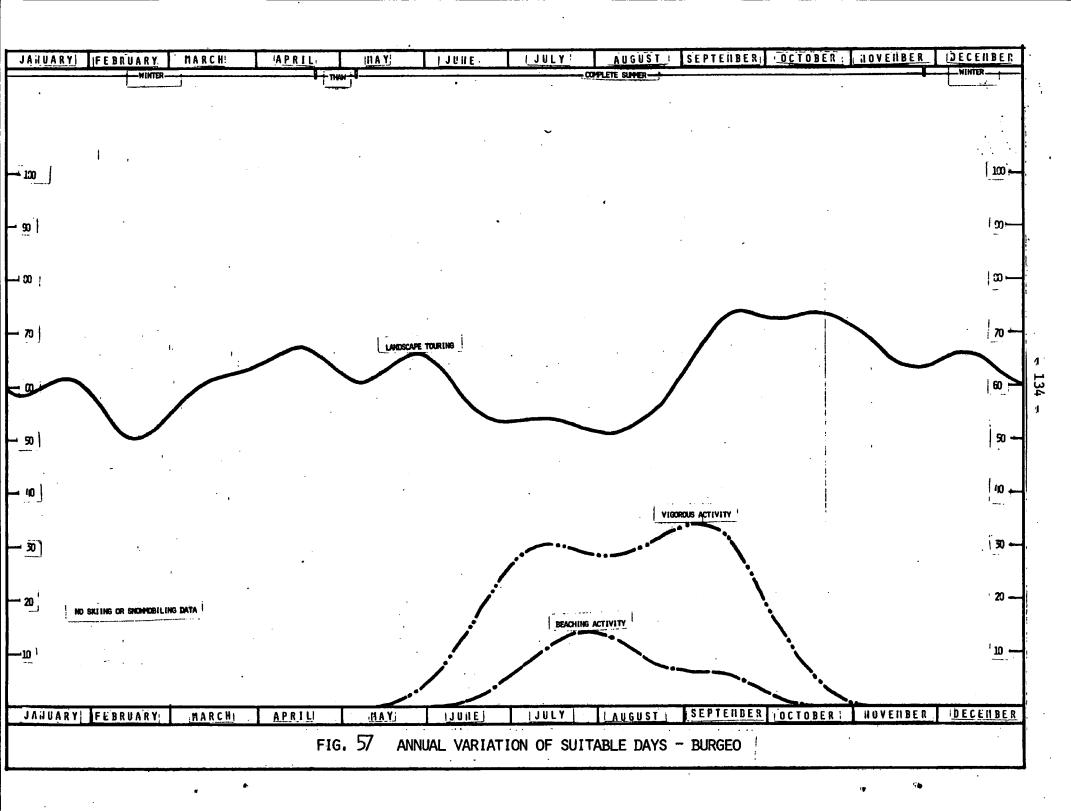


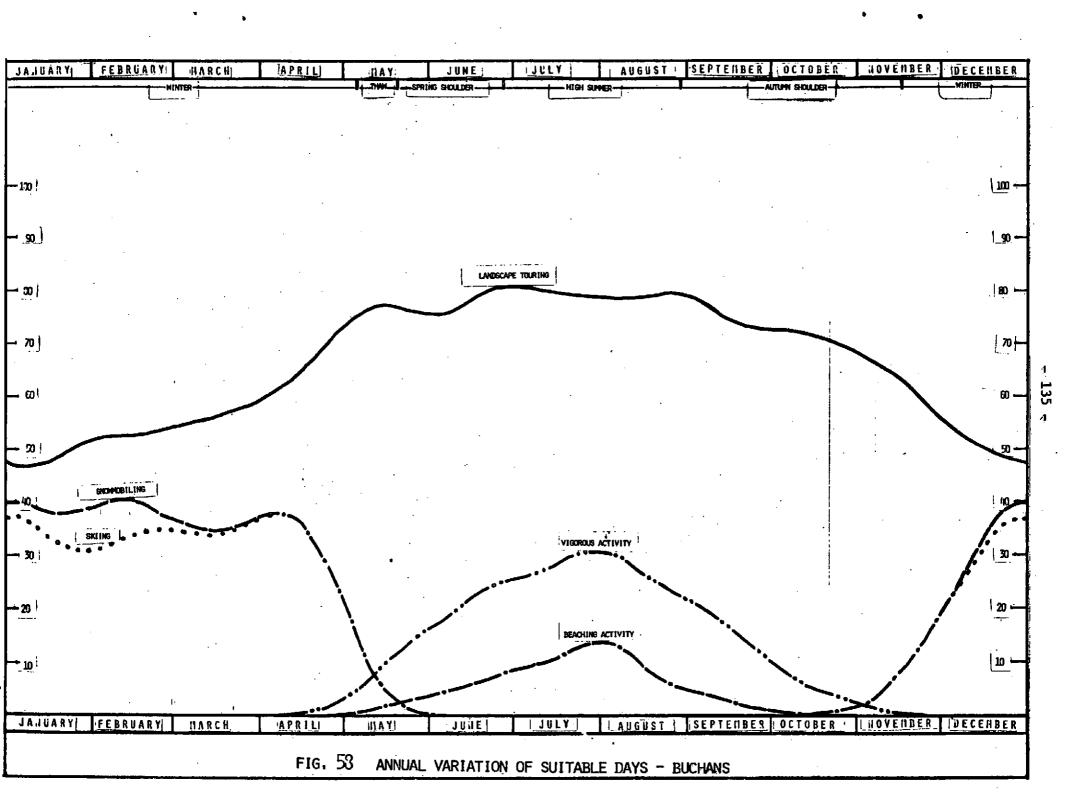


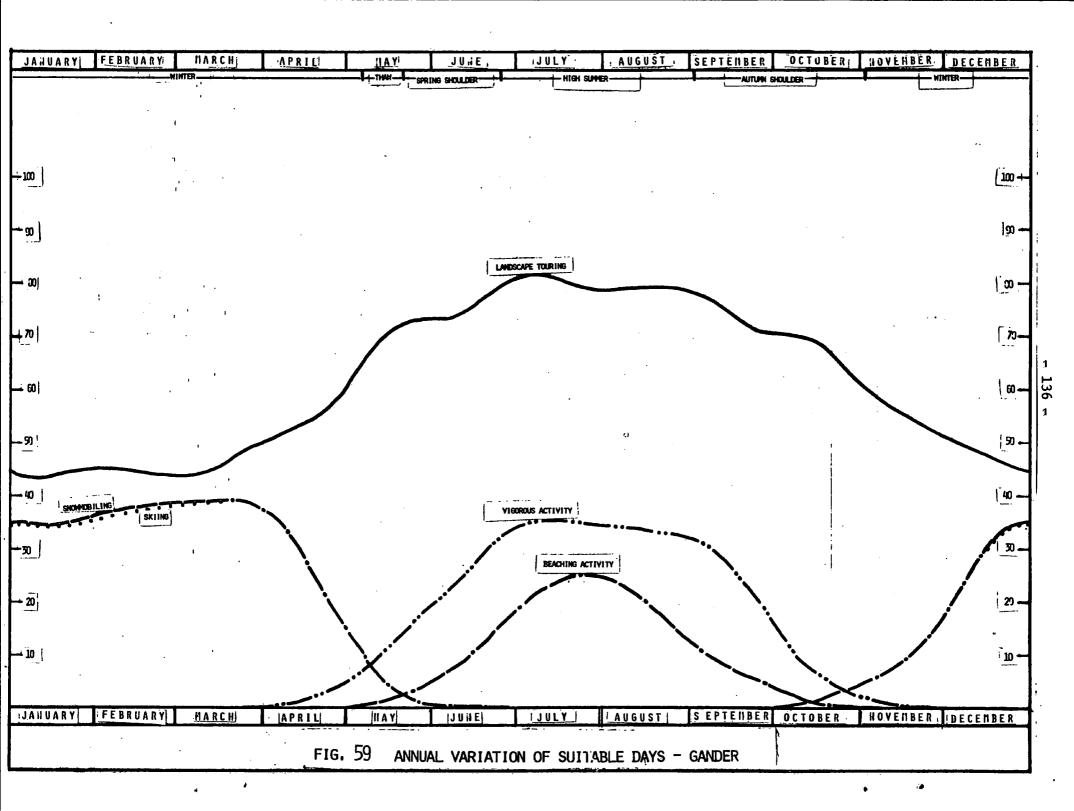


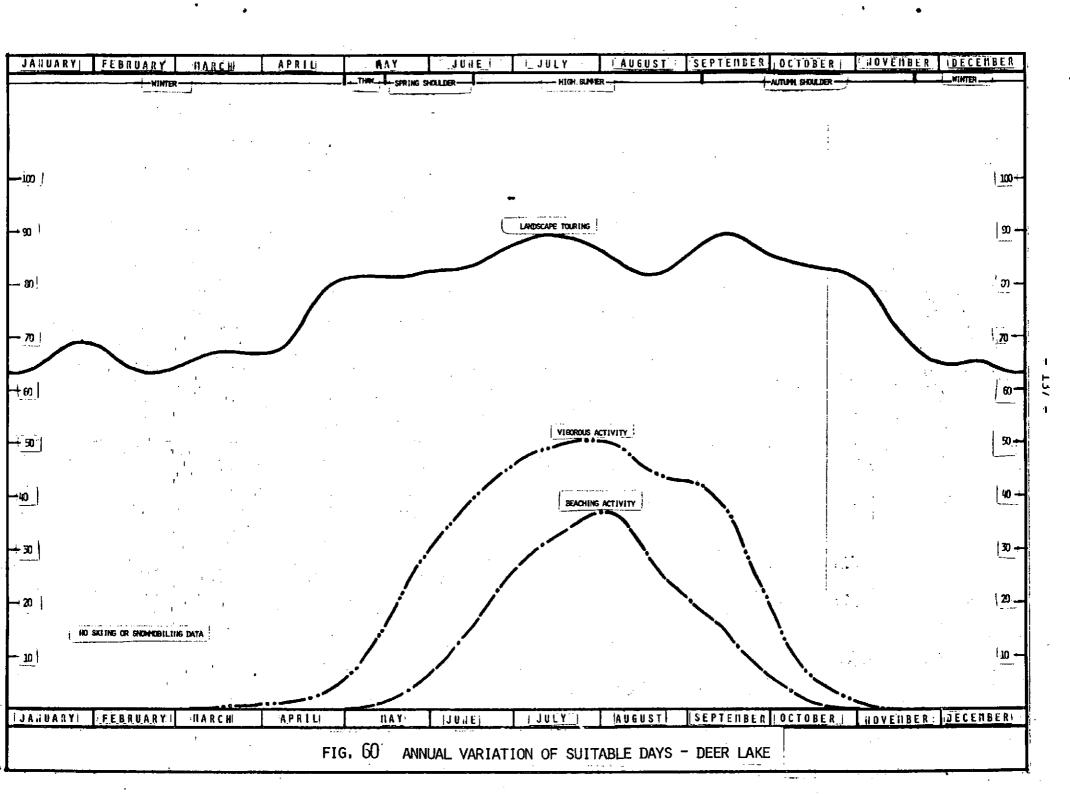












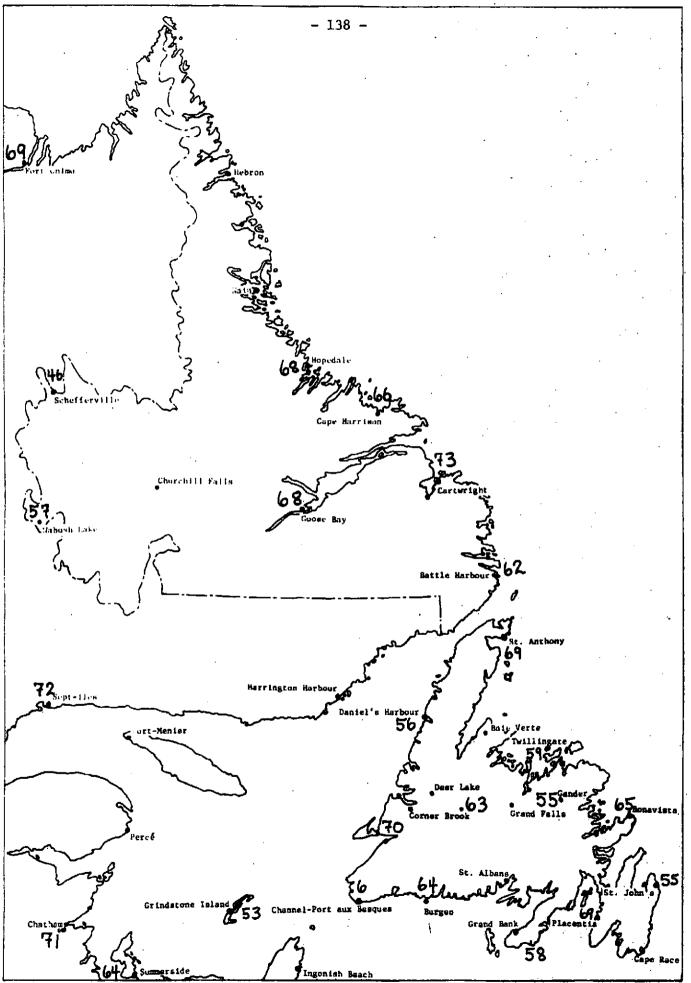


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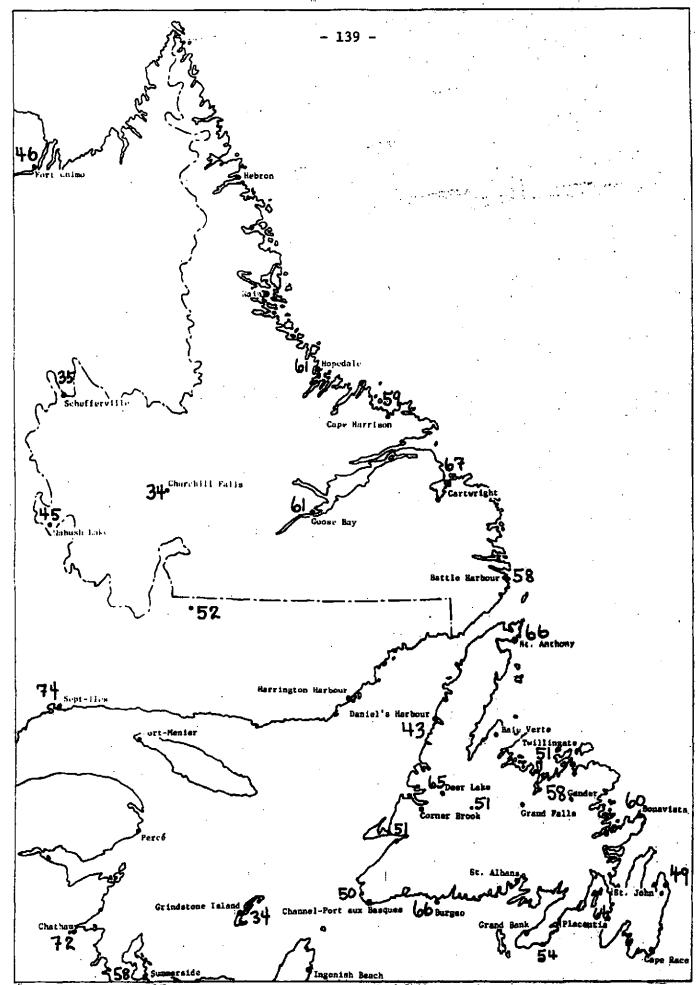


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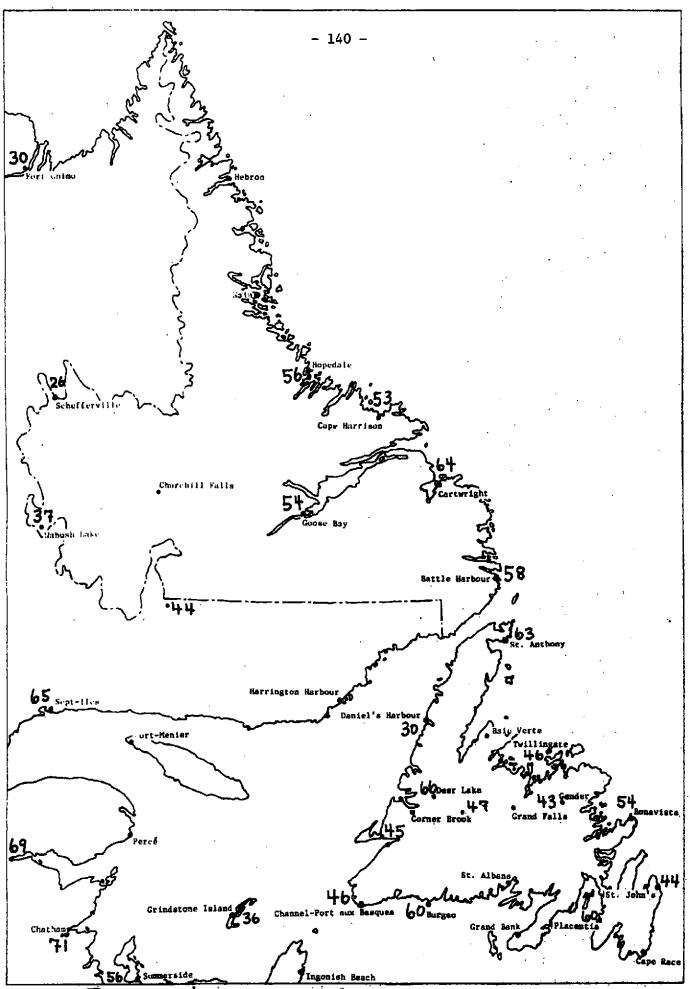


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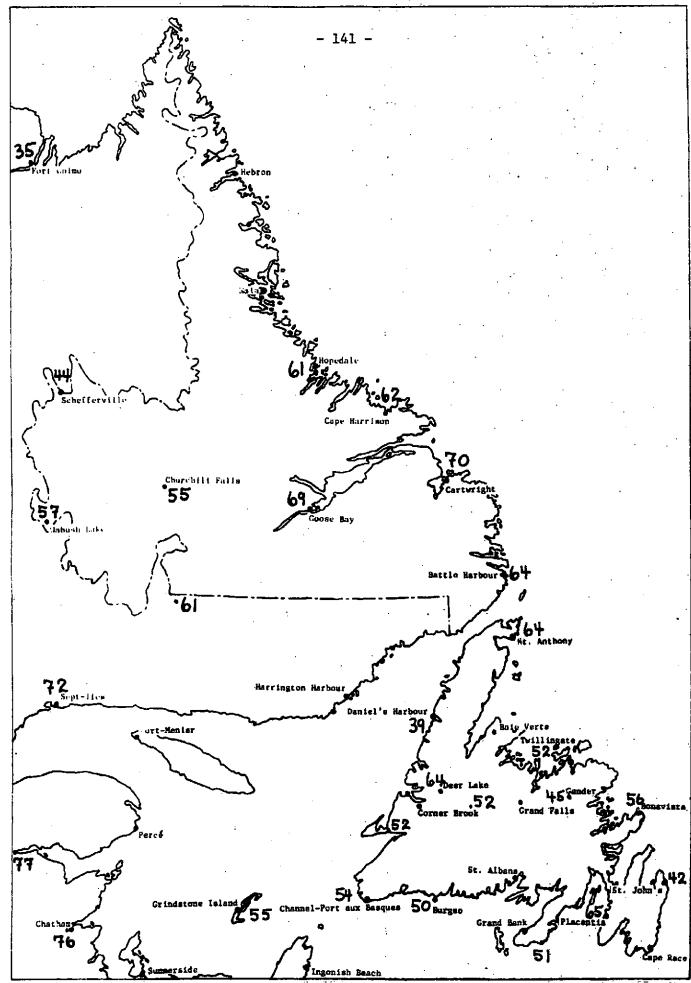


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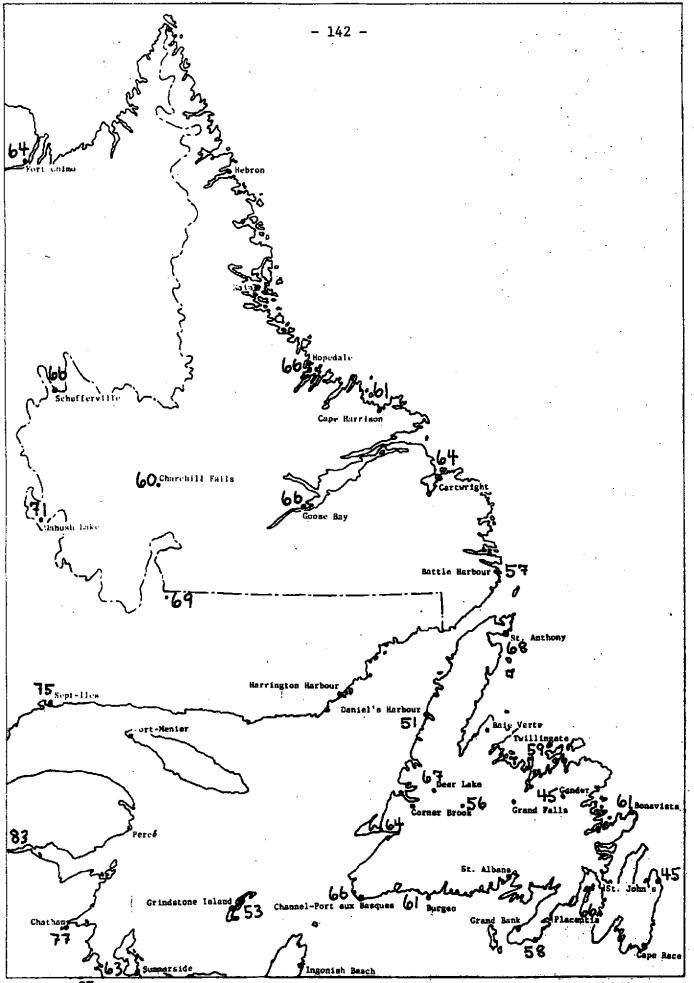


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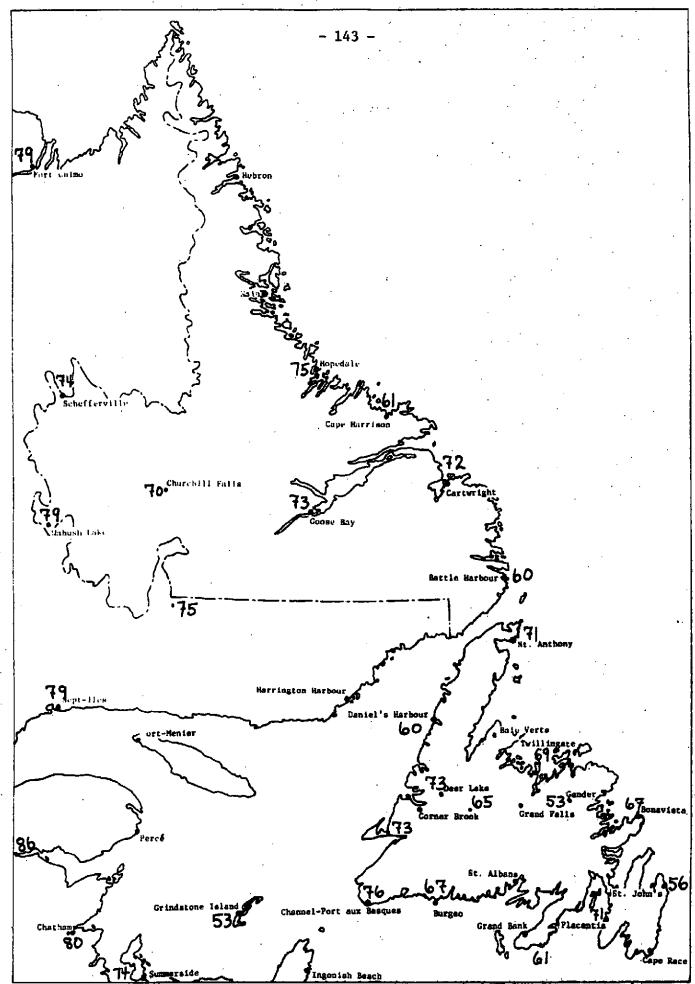


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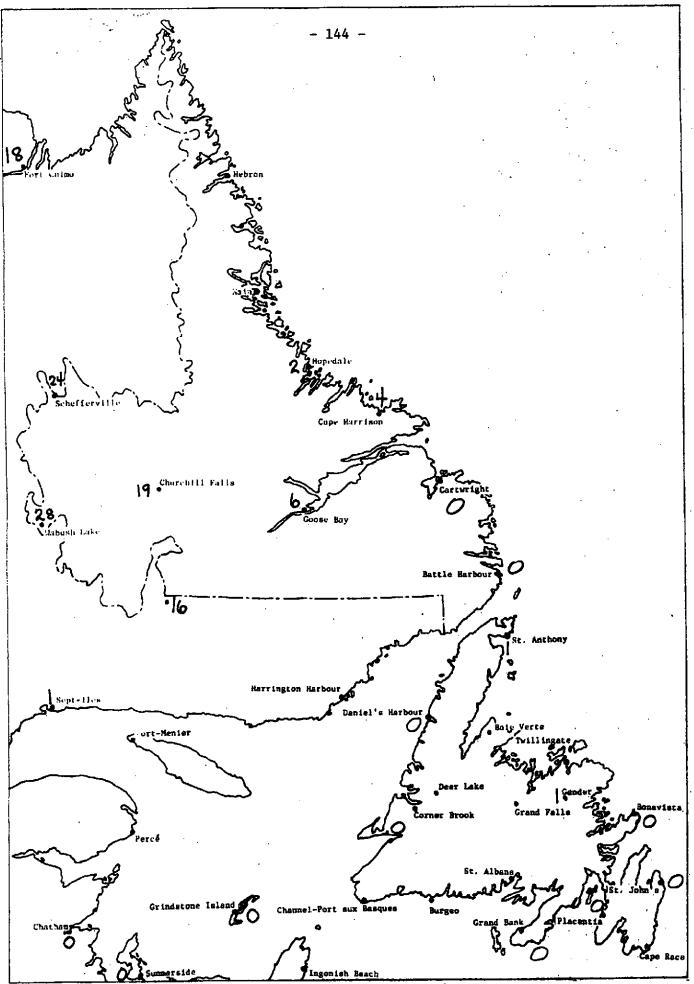


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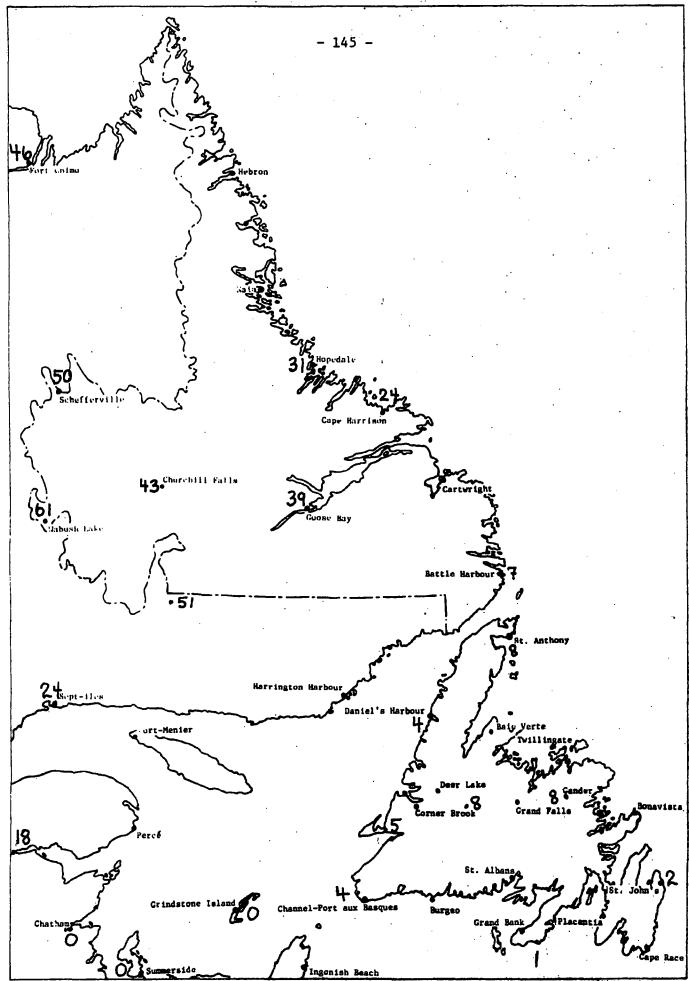


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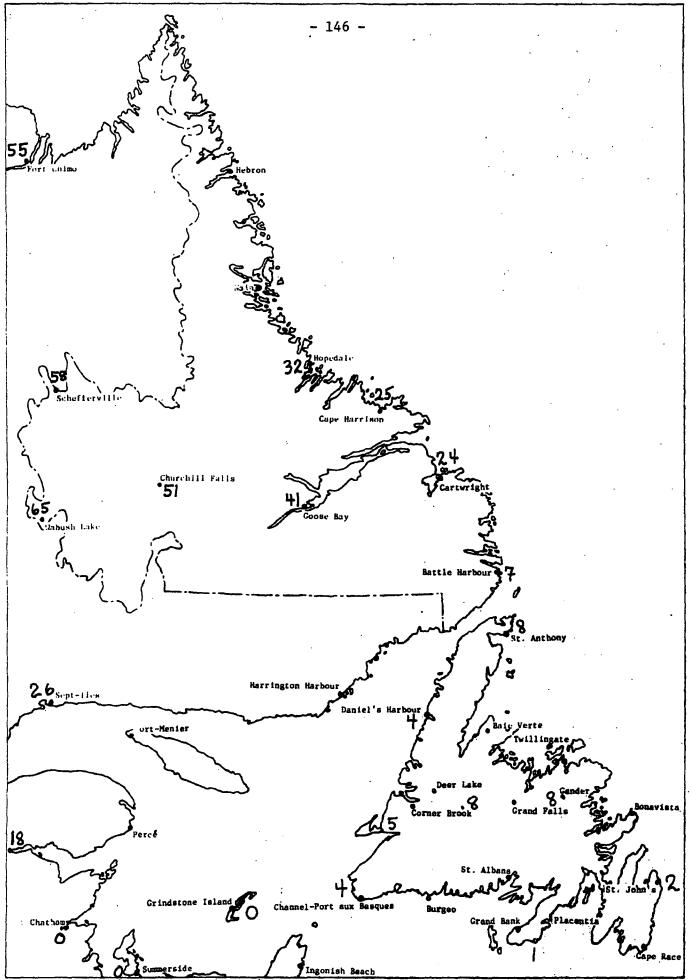


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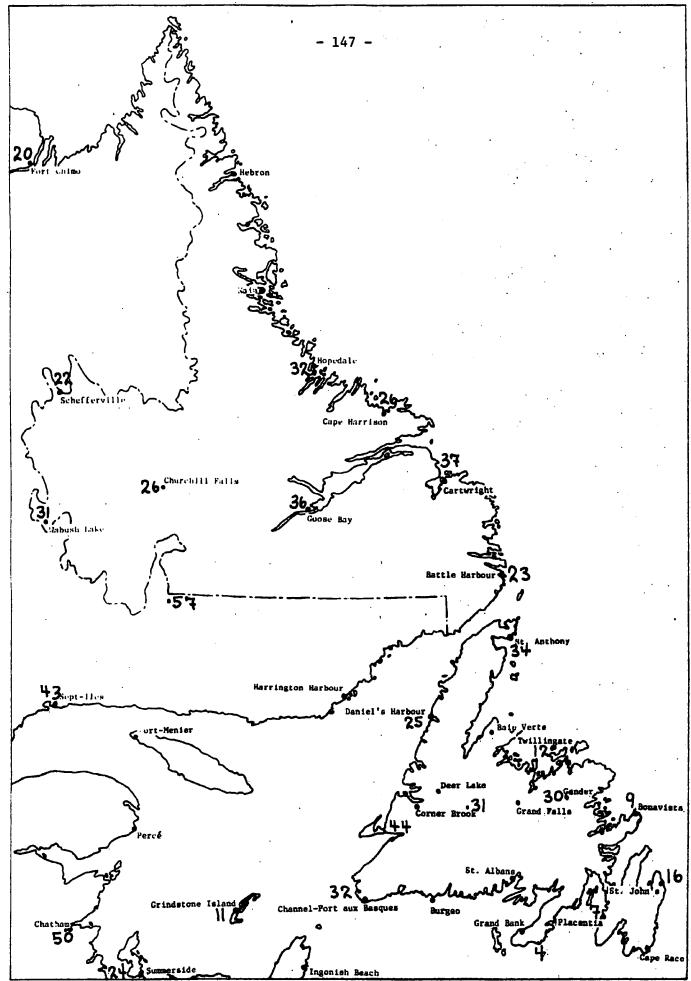


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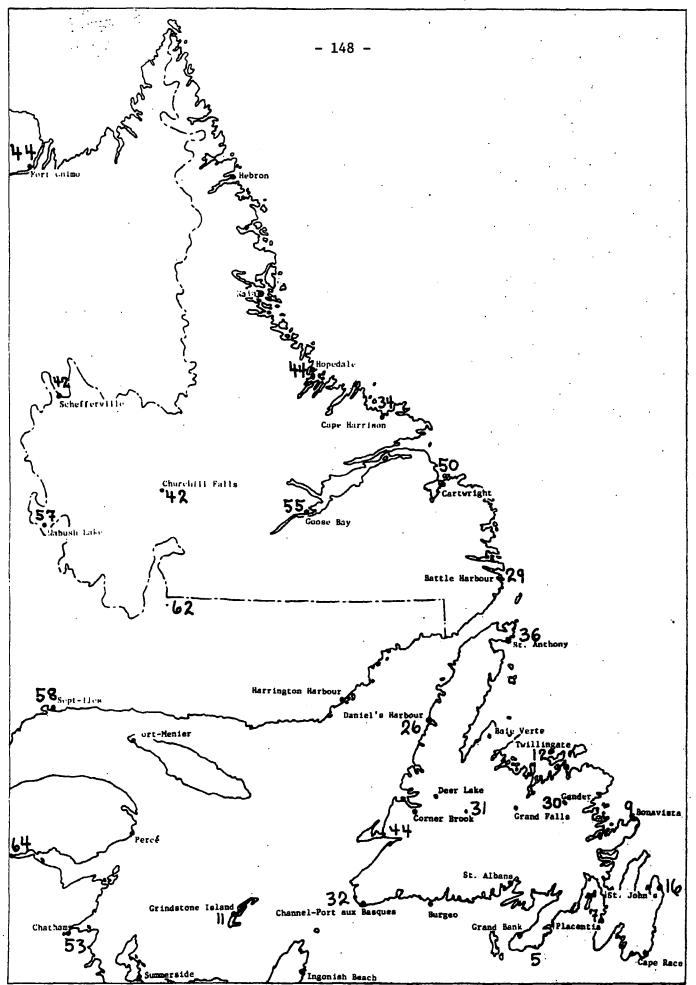


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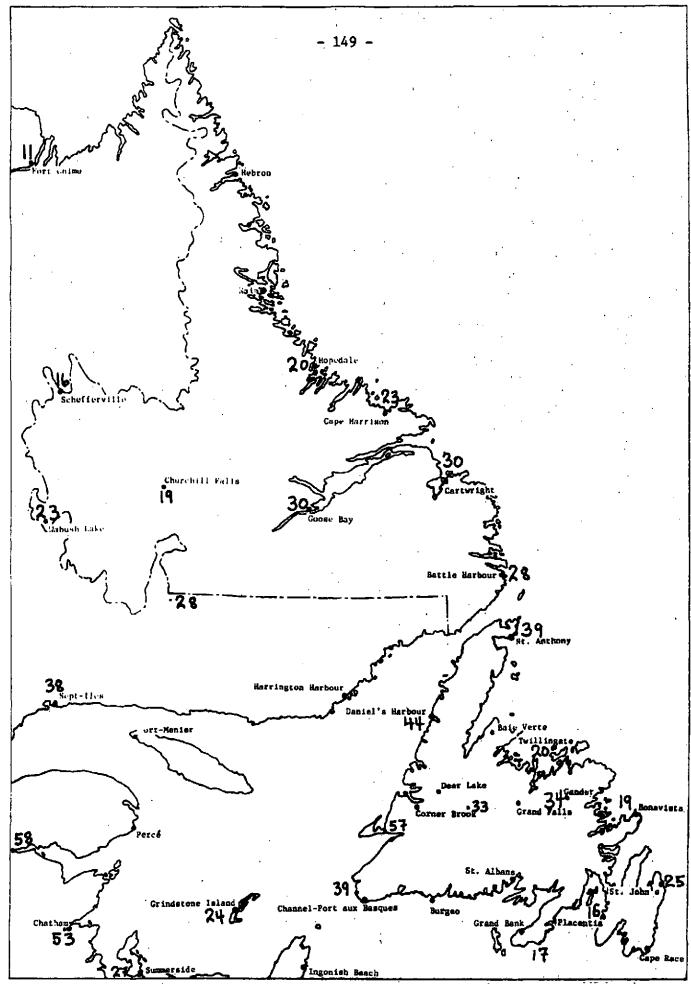


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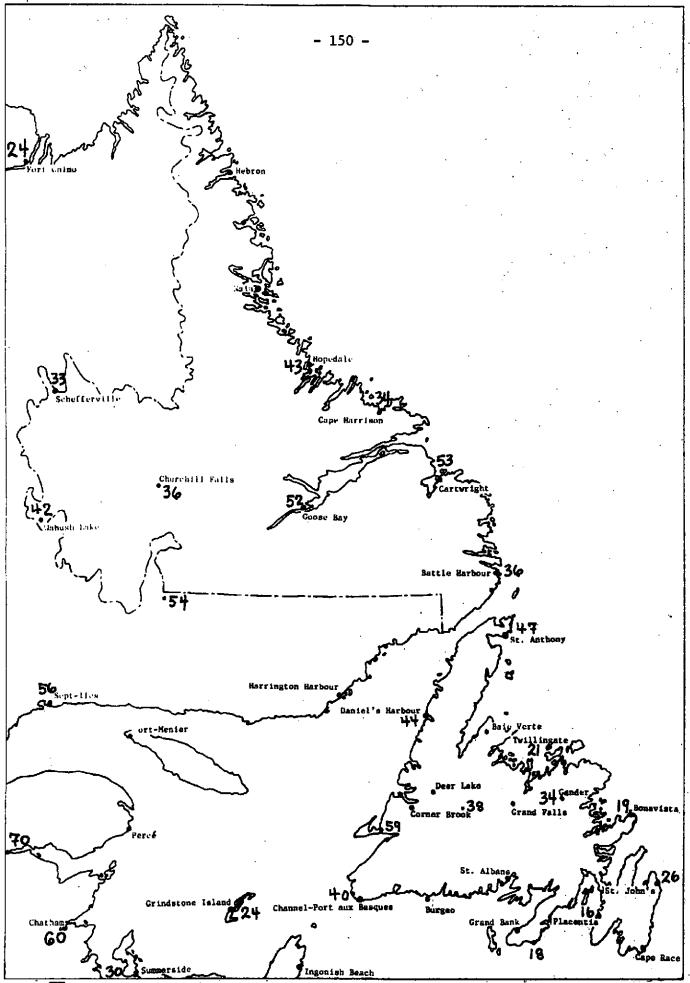


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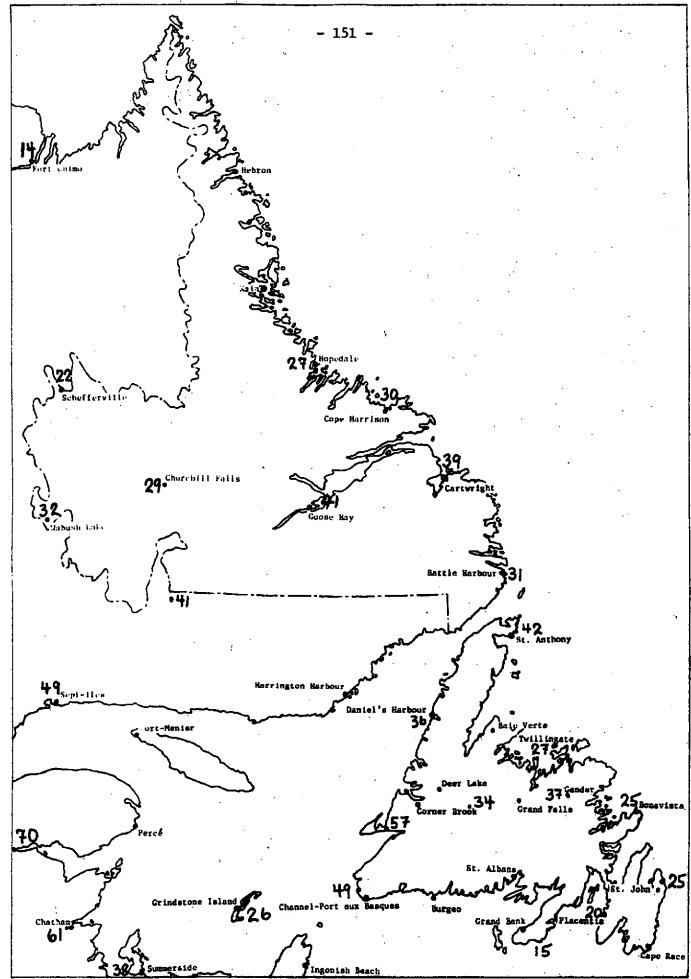


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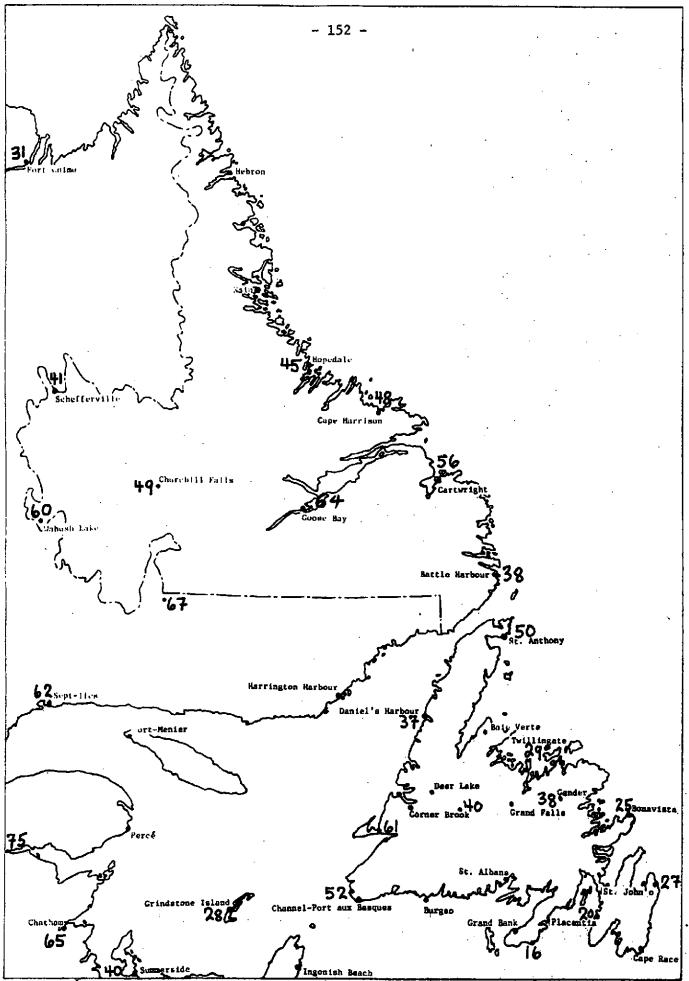


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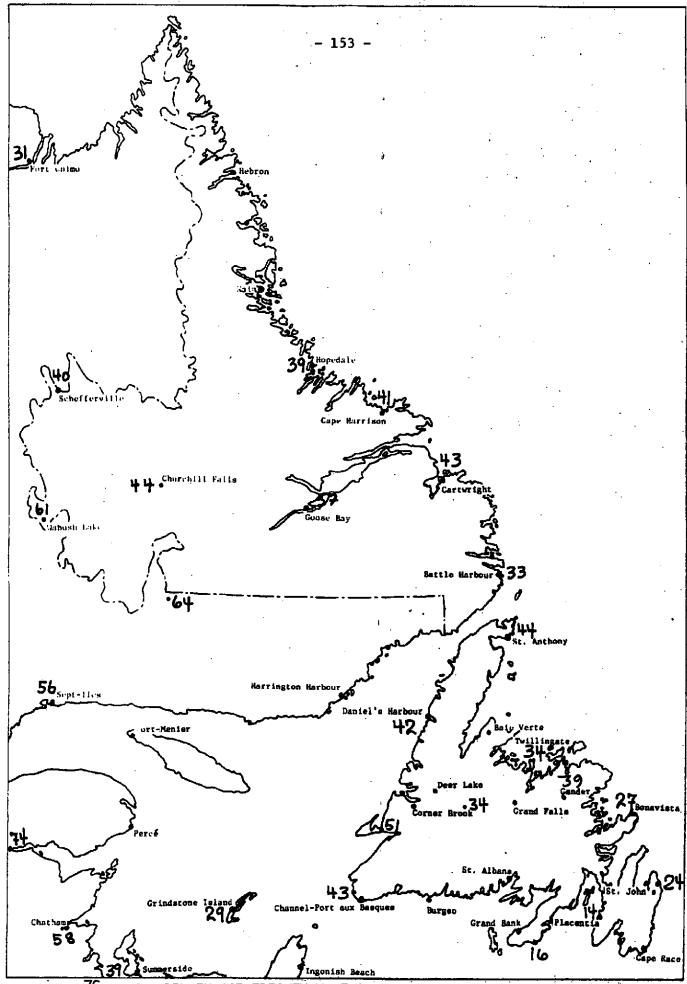


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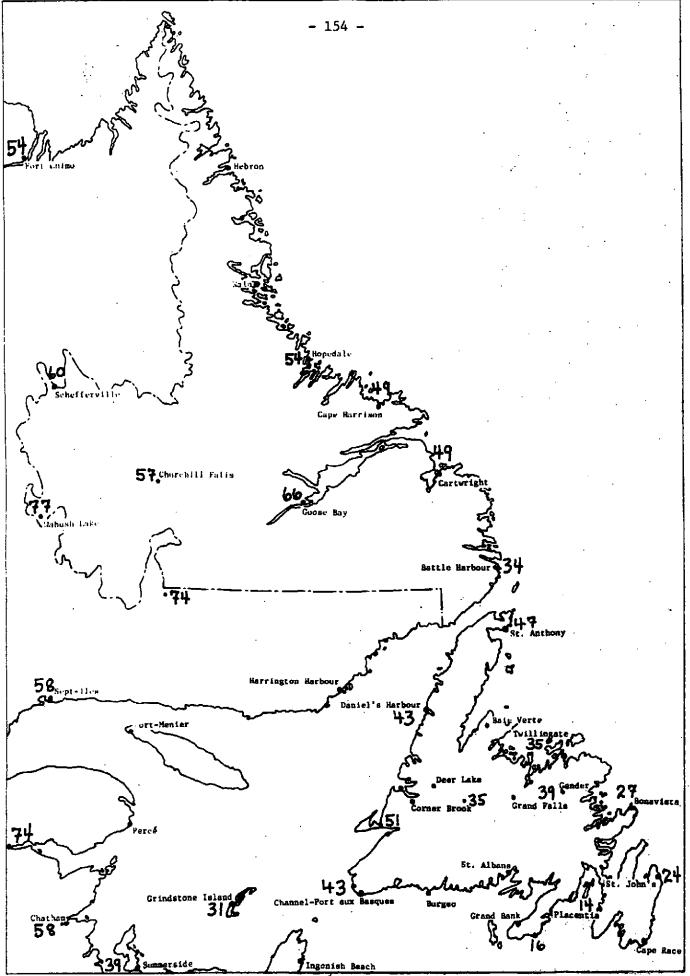


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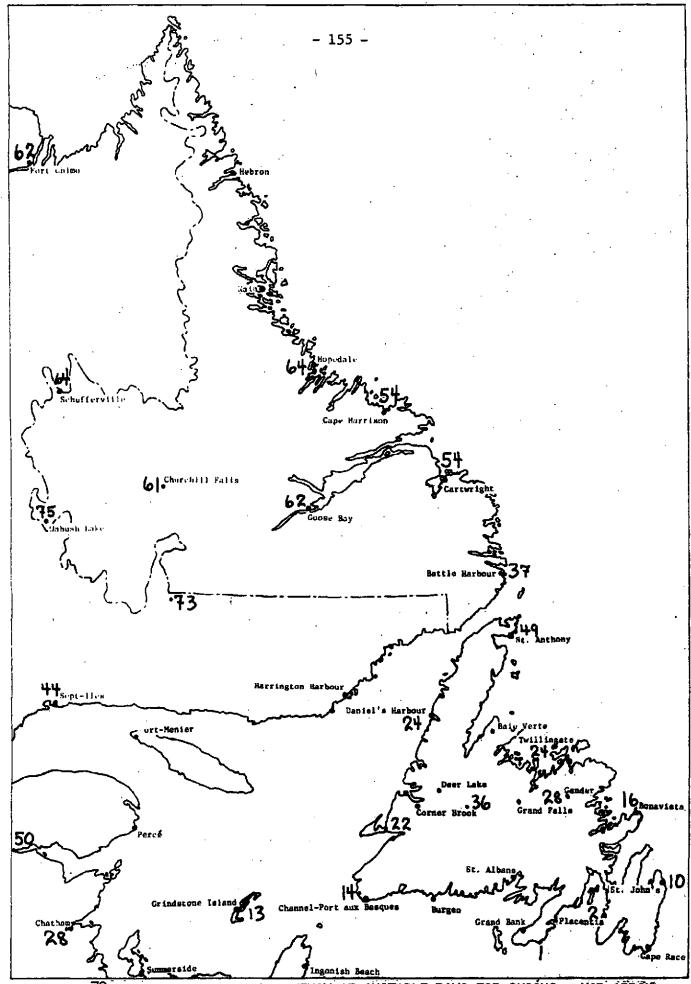


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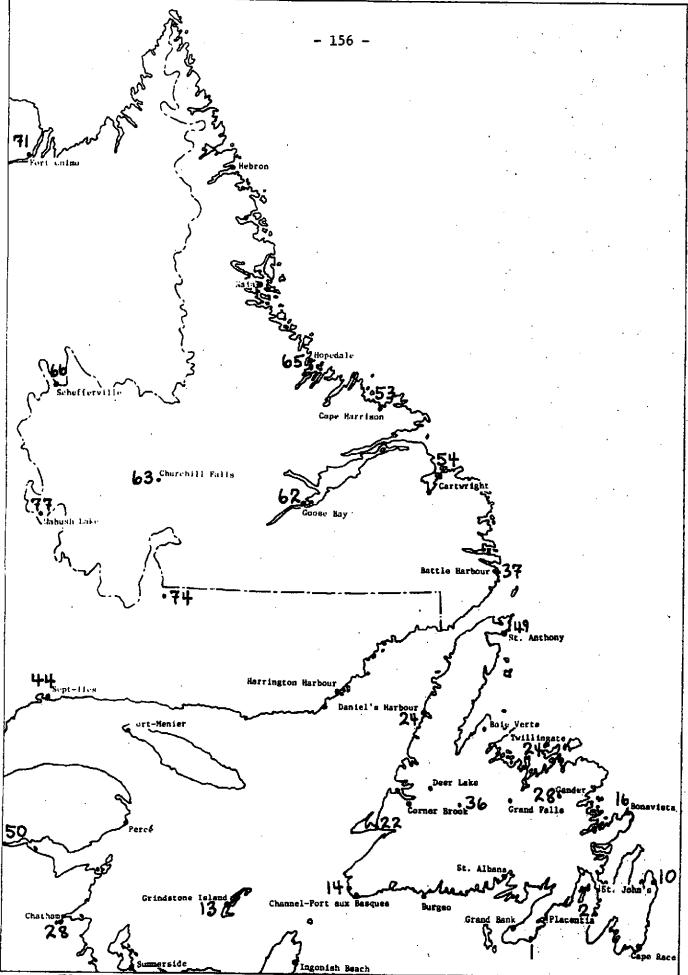


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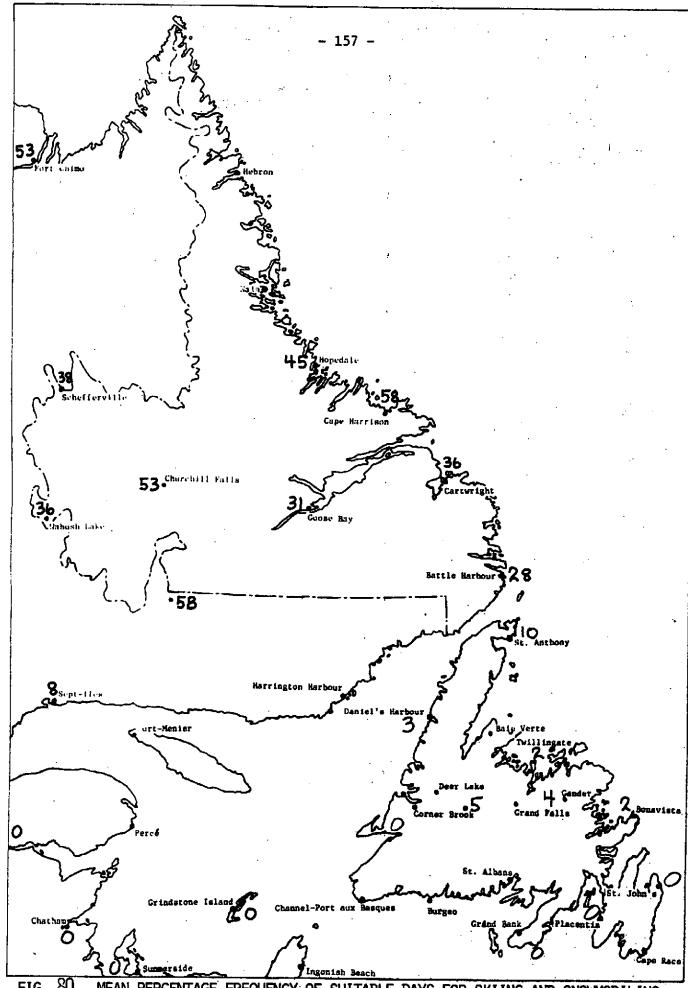


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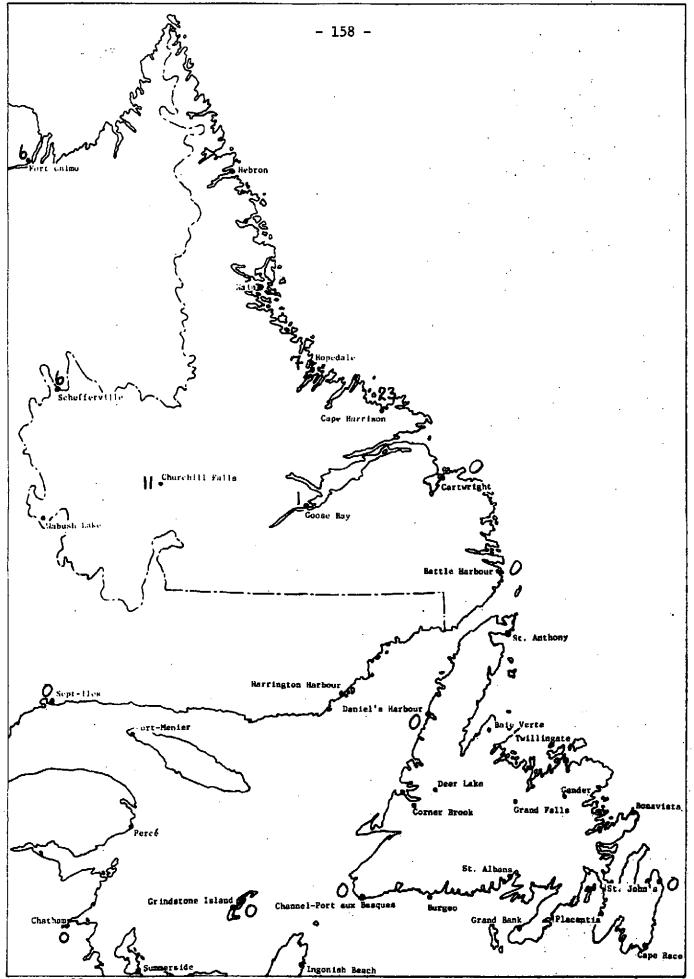


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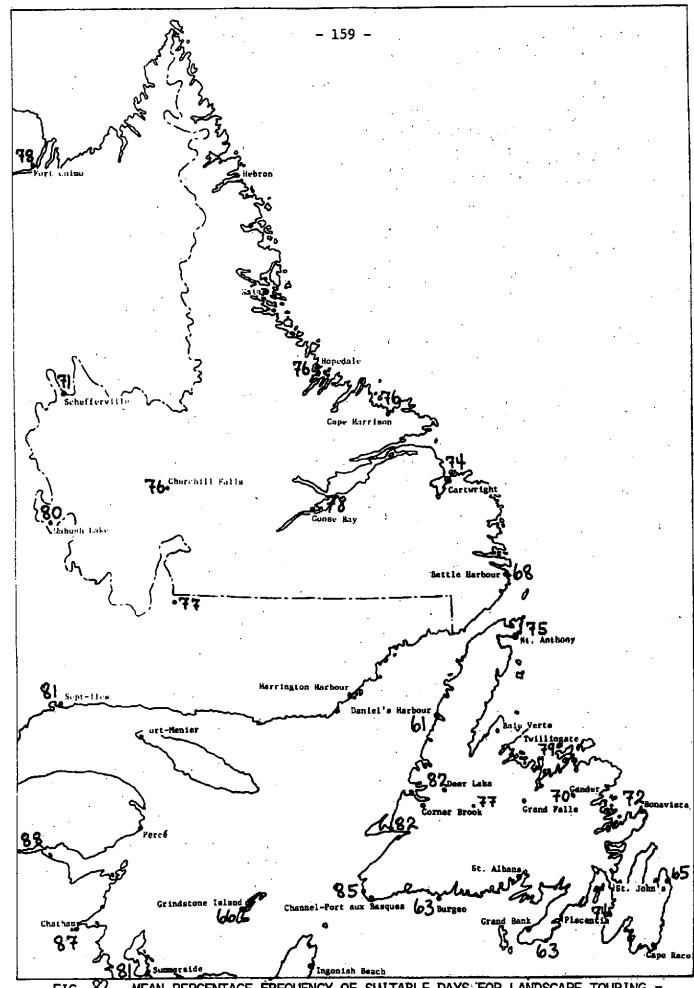


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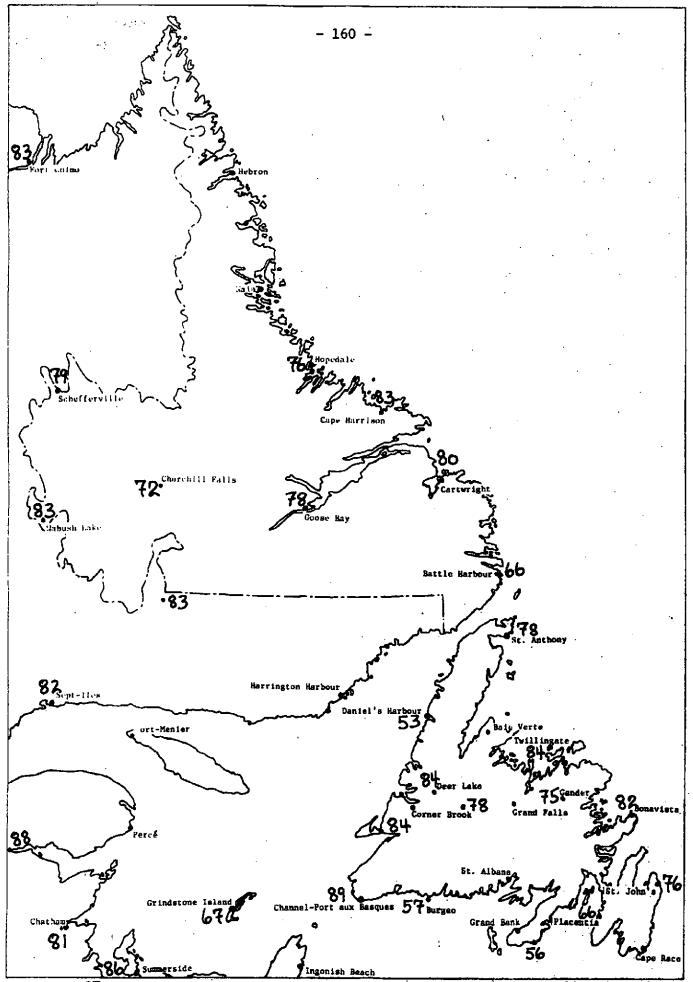


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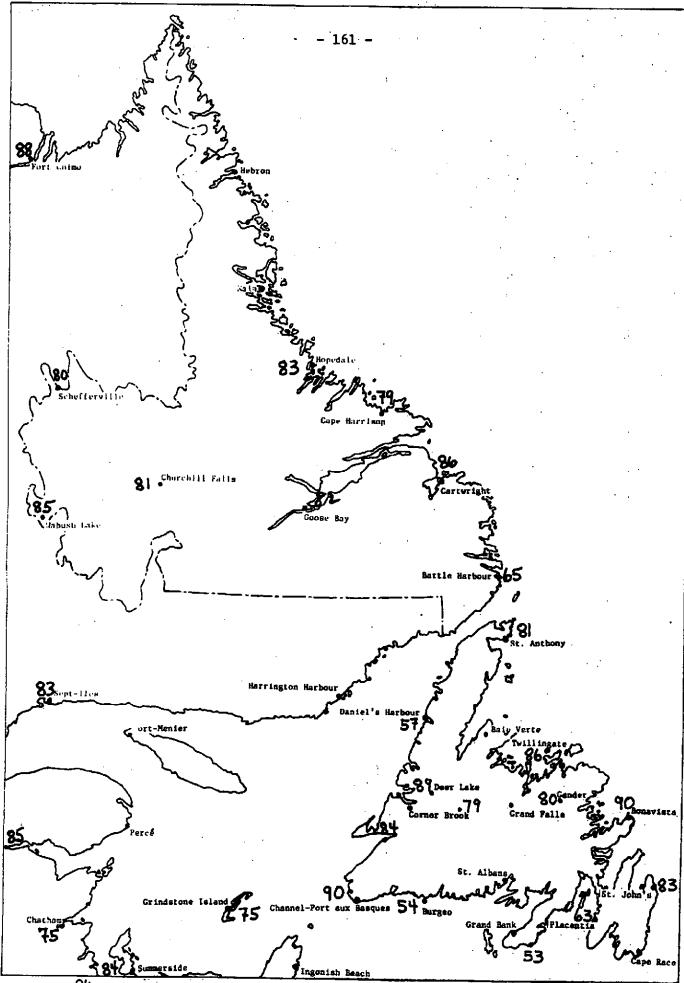


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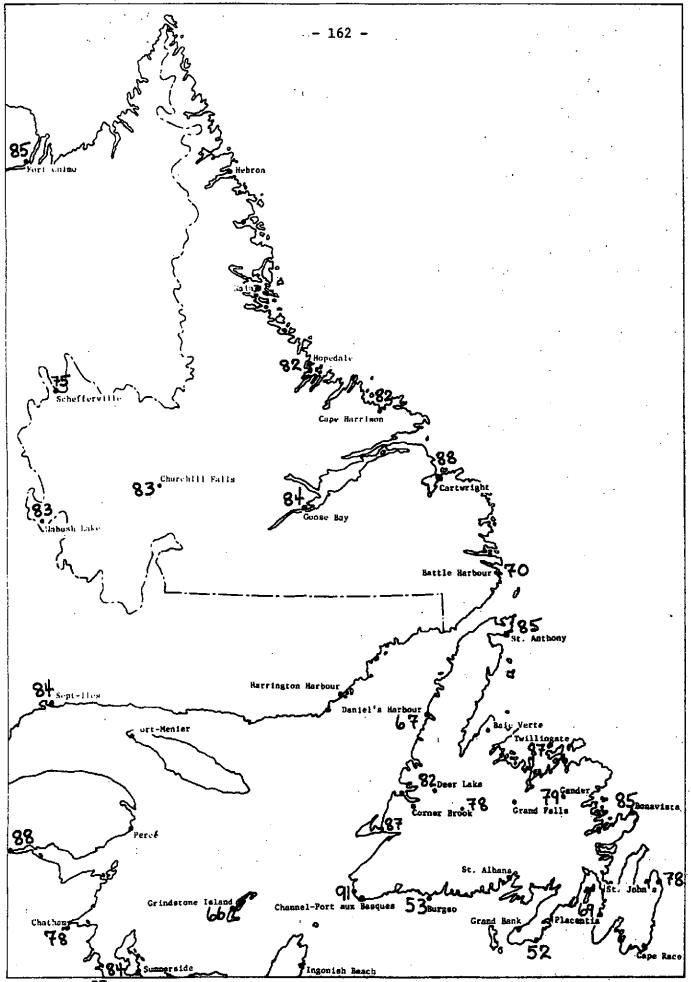


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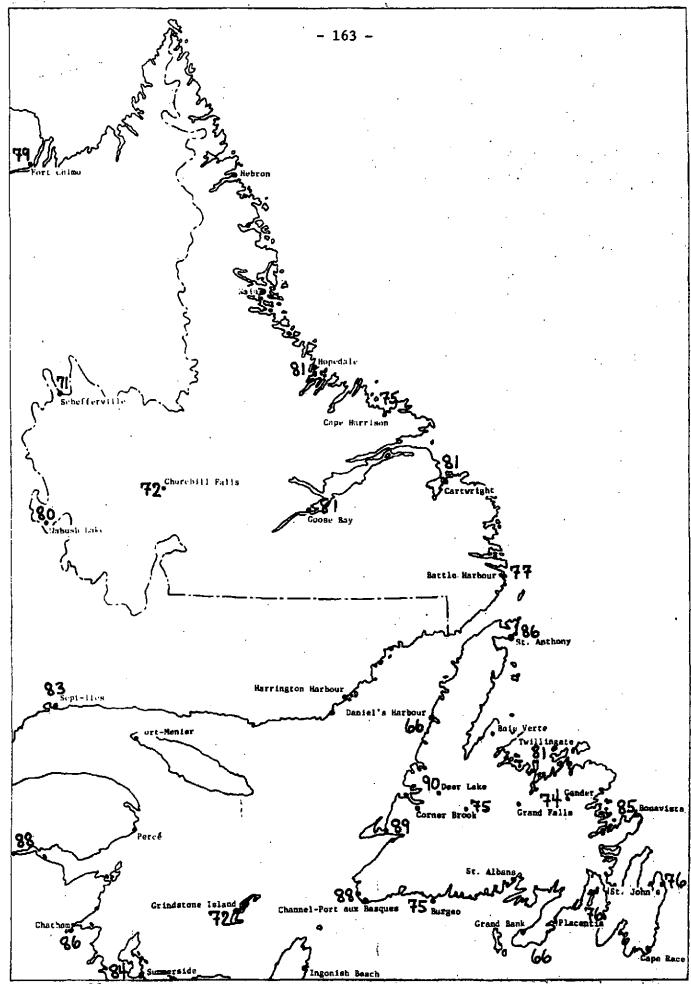


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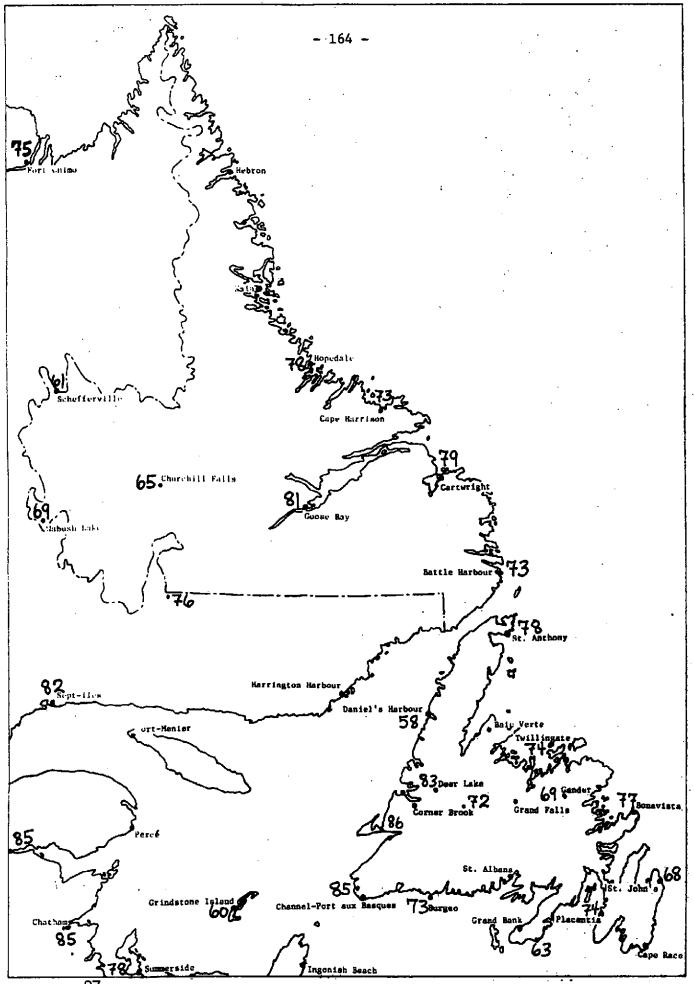


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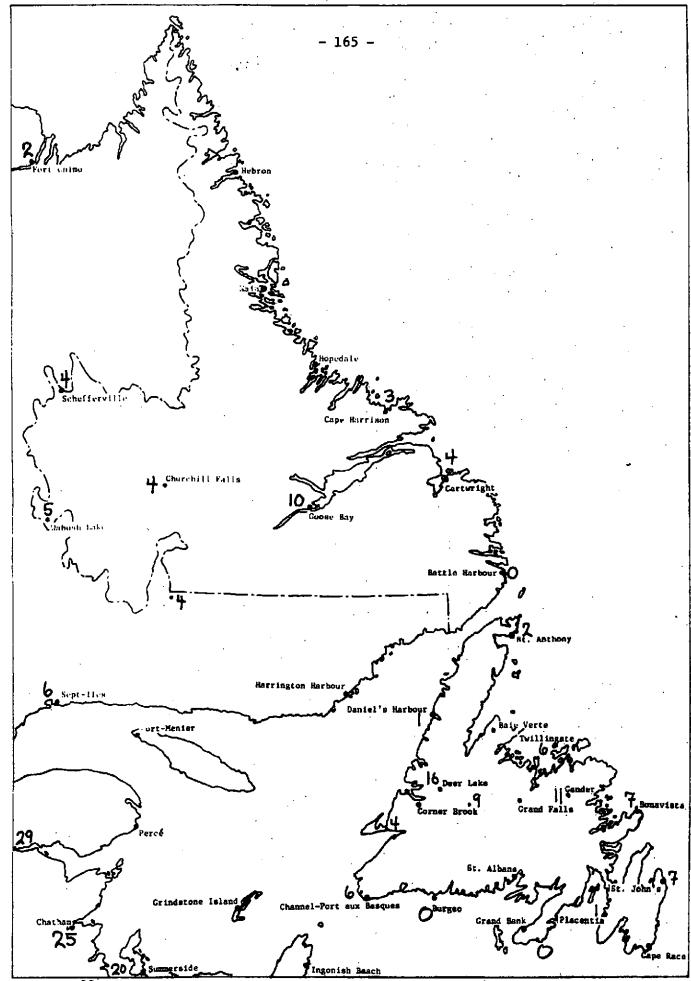


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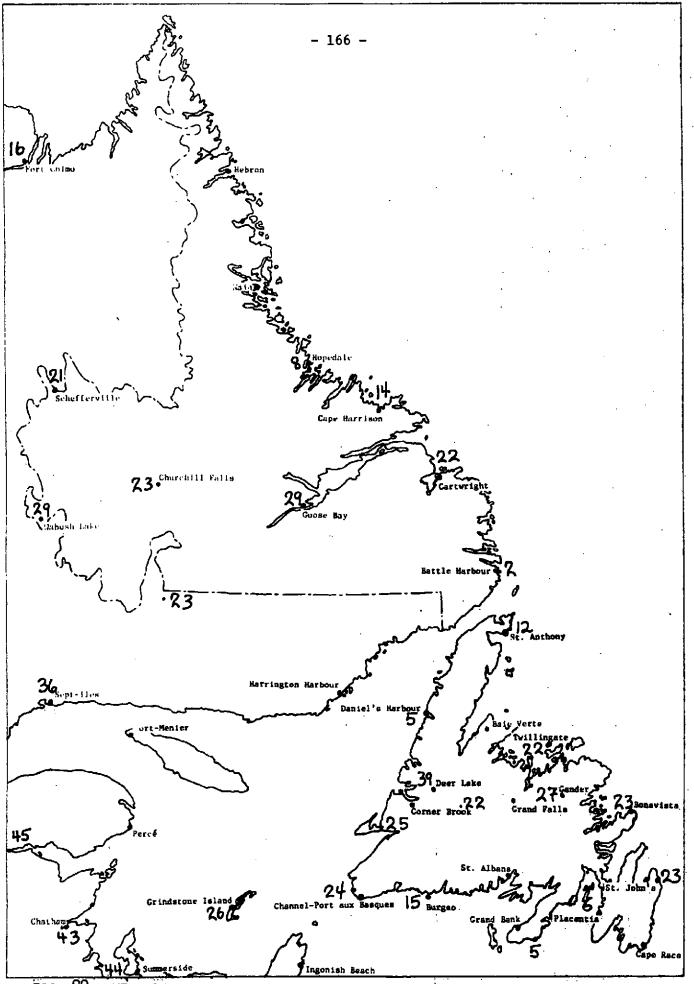


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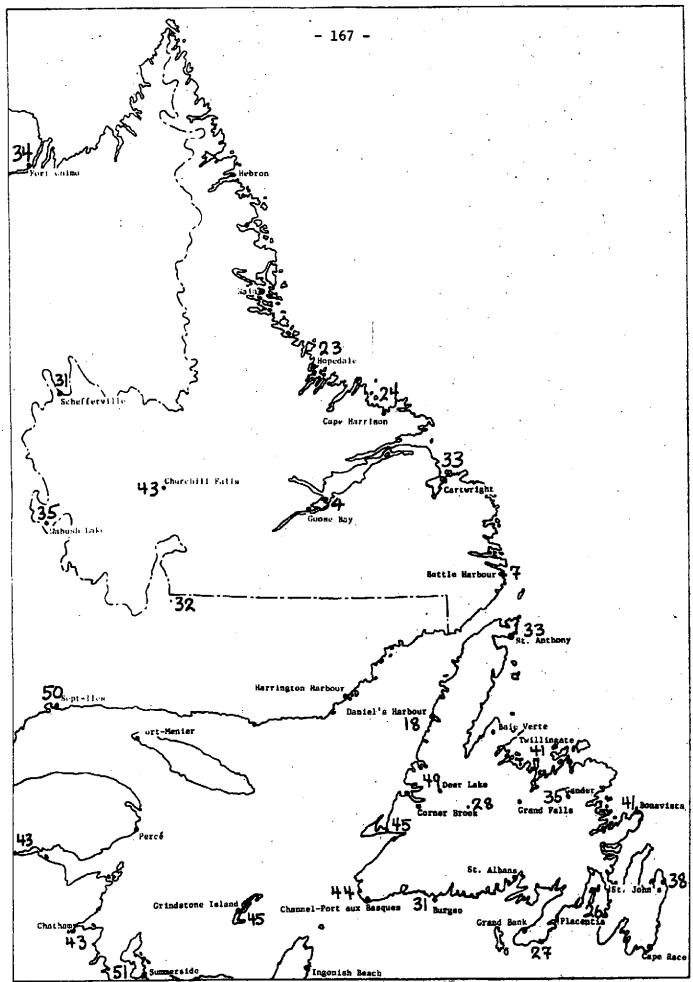


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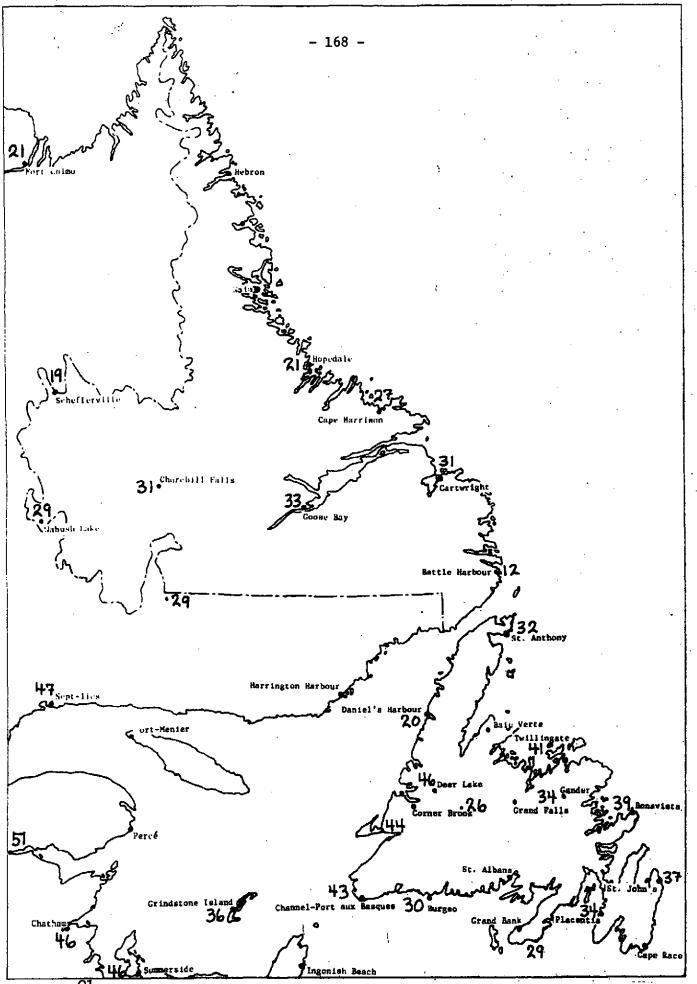


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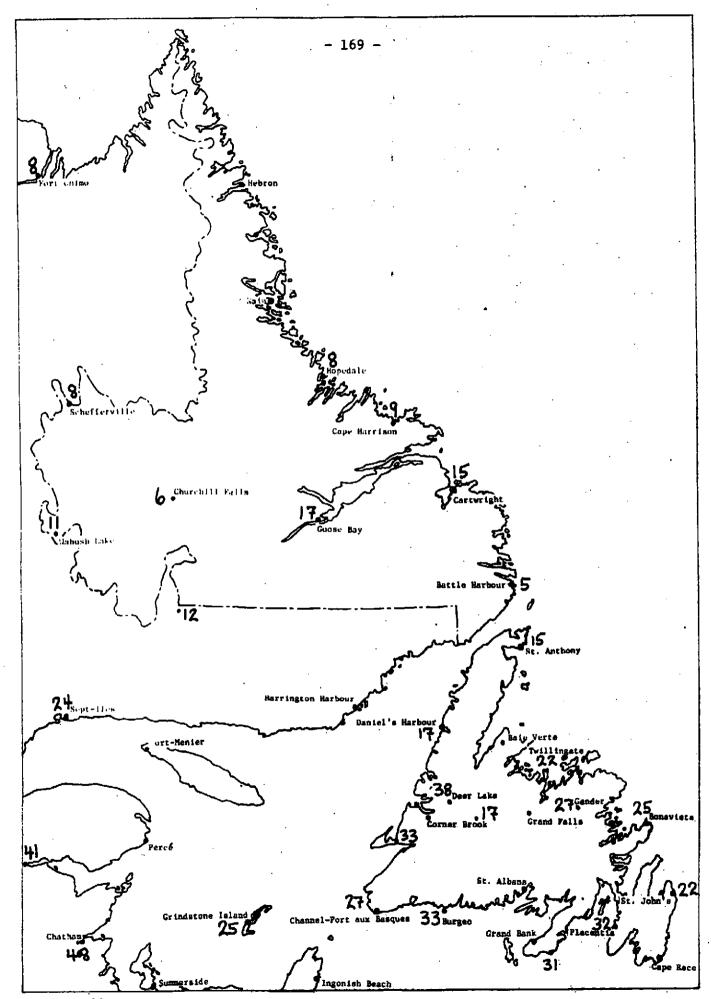


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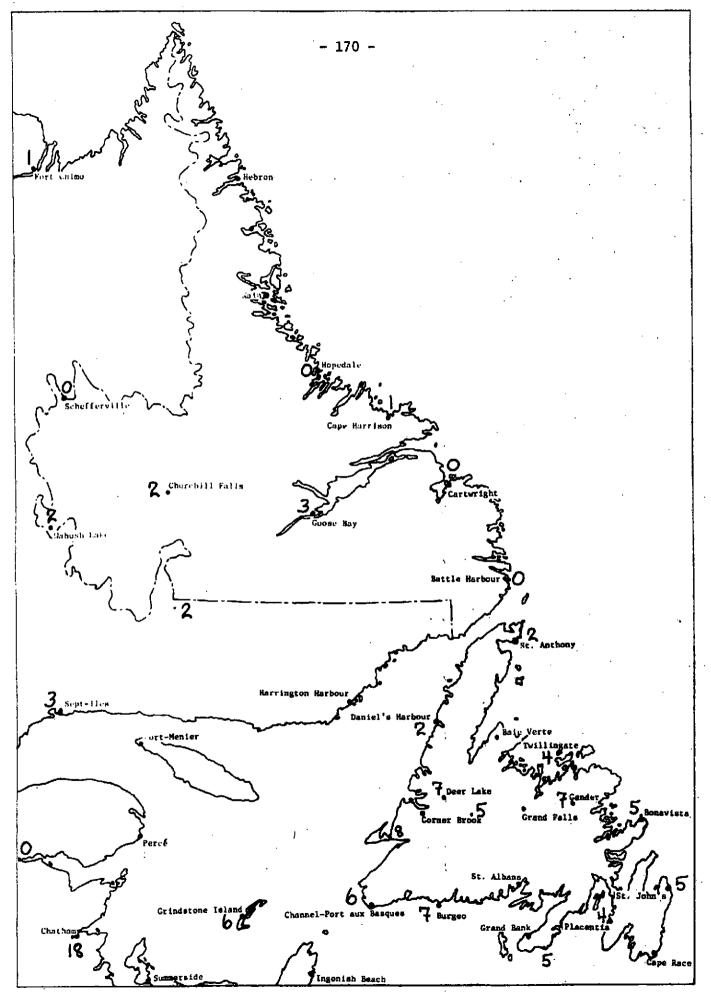


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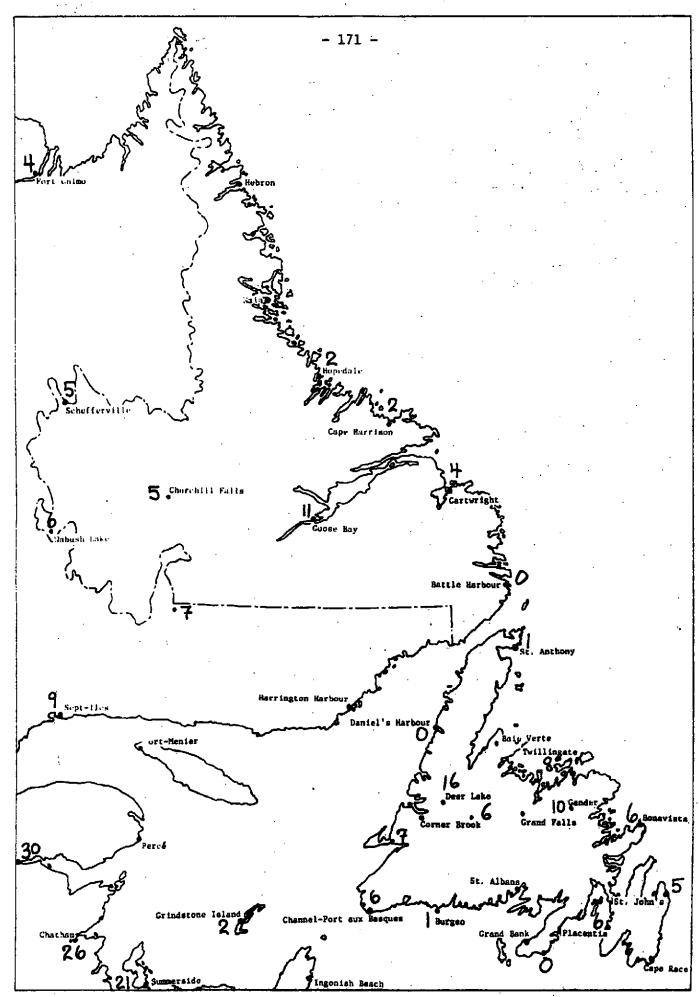


FIG. 94 MEAN PERCENTAGE FREQUENCY OF SUITABLE DAYS FOR BEACHING ACTIVITIES - MID-JUNE

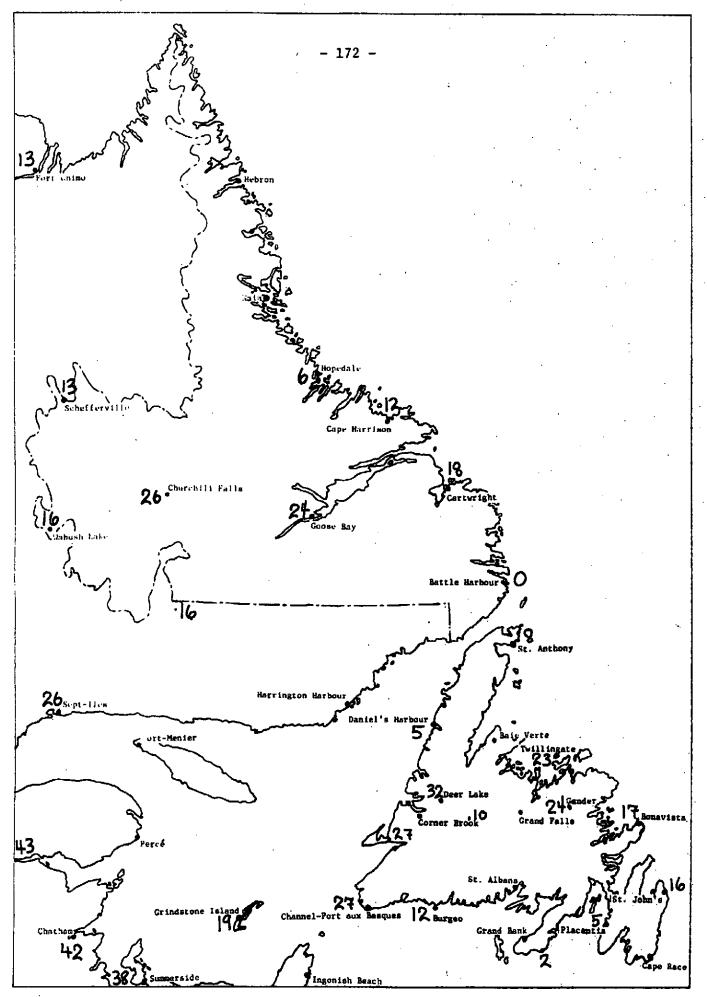


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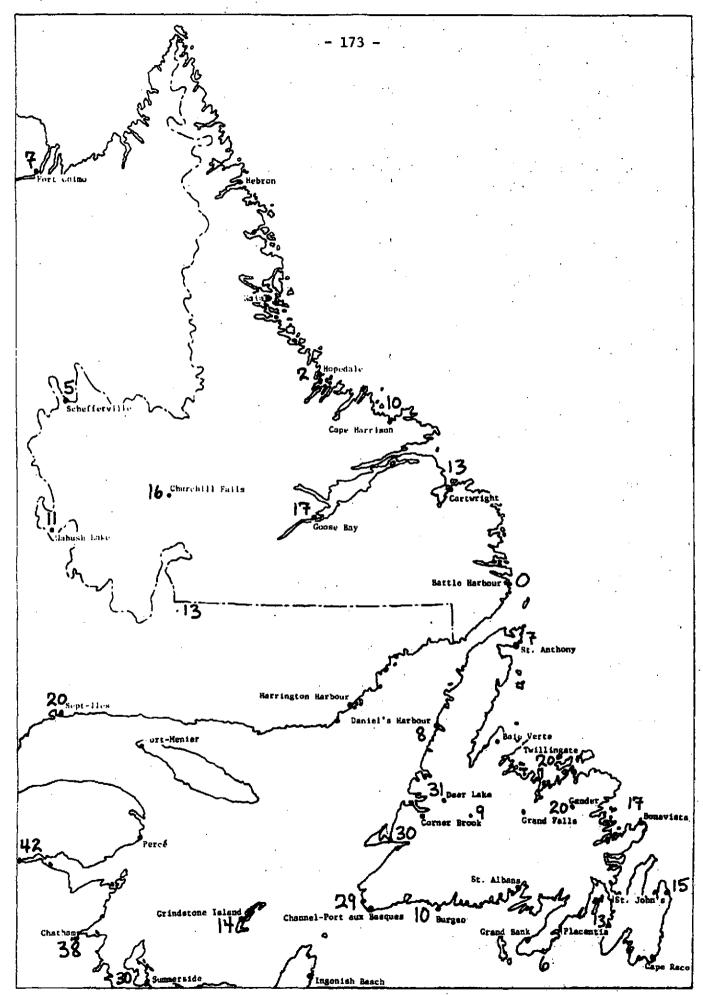


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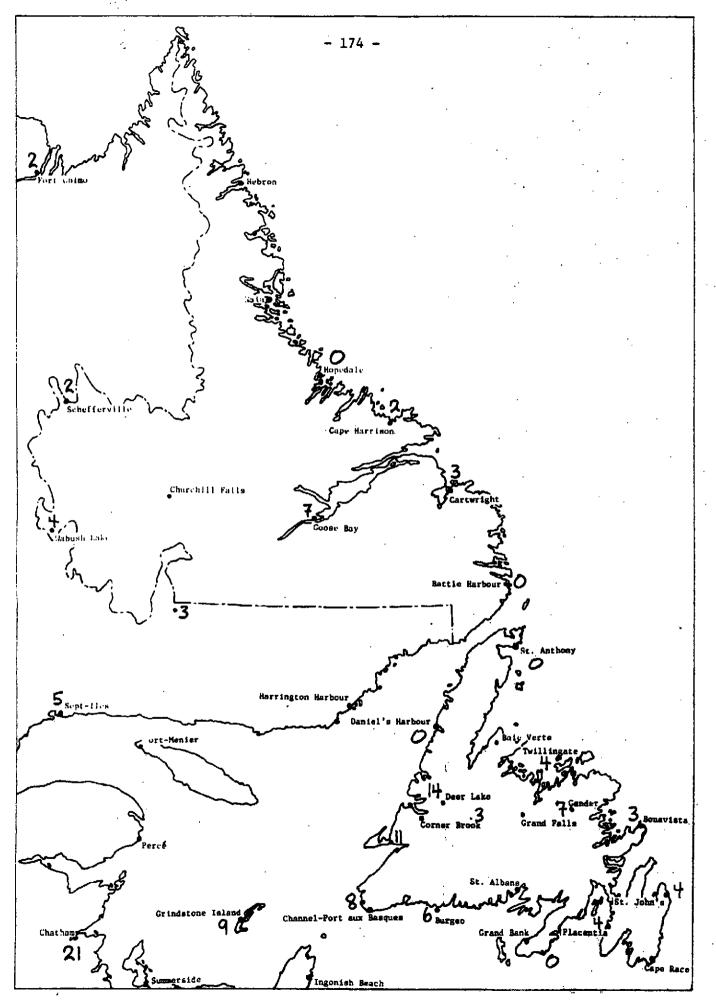


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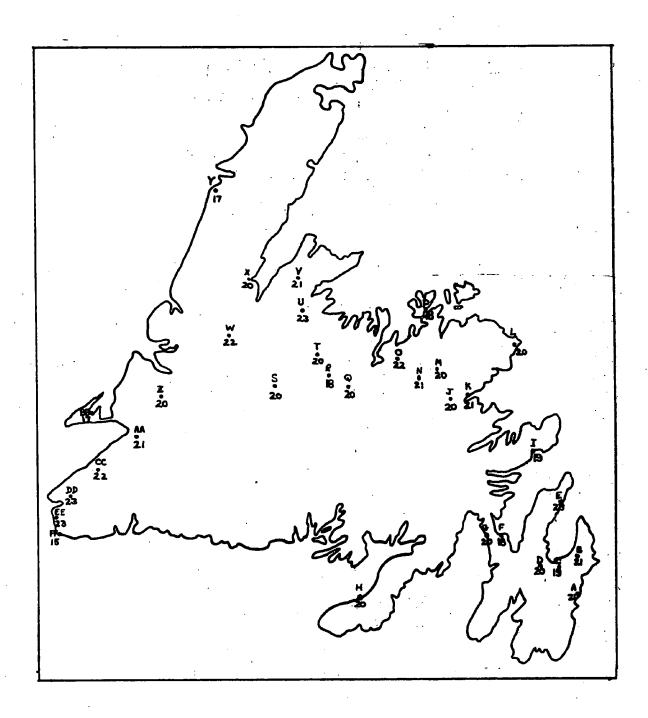


FIG. 98 MEAN FRESH-WATER TEMPERATURES IN PROVINCIAL PARKS AT MID-SUMMER (AUGUST 5) ( $^{\circ}$ C) TO IDENTIFY PARKS REFER TO TABLE 15

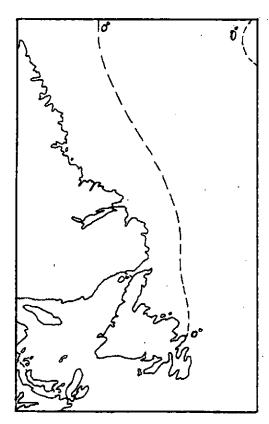


FIG. 99 MEAN OCEAN TEMPERATURE
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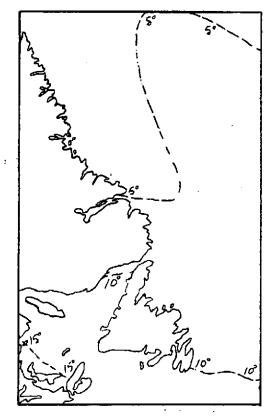


FIG. 101 MEAN OCEAN TEMPERATURE JULY (°C)

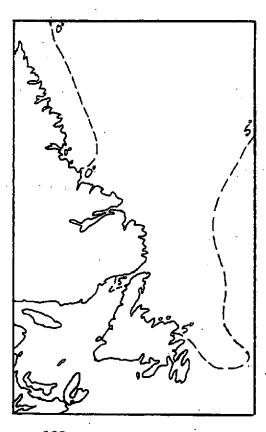


FIG. 100 MEAN OCEAN TEMPERATURE JUNE (°C)

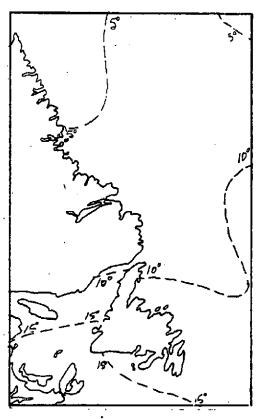


FIG. 102 MEAN OCEAN TEMPERATURE AUGUST  $\overline{(^{\circ}_{C})}$ 

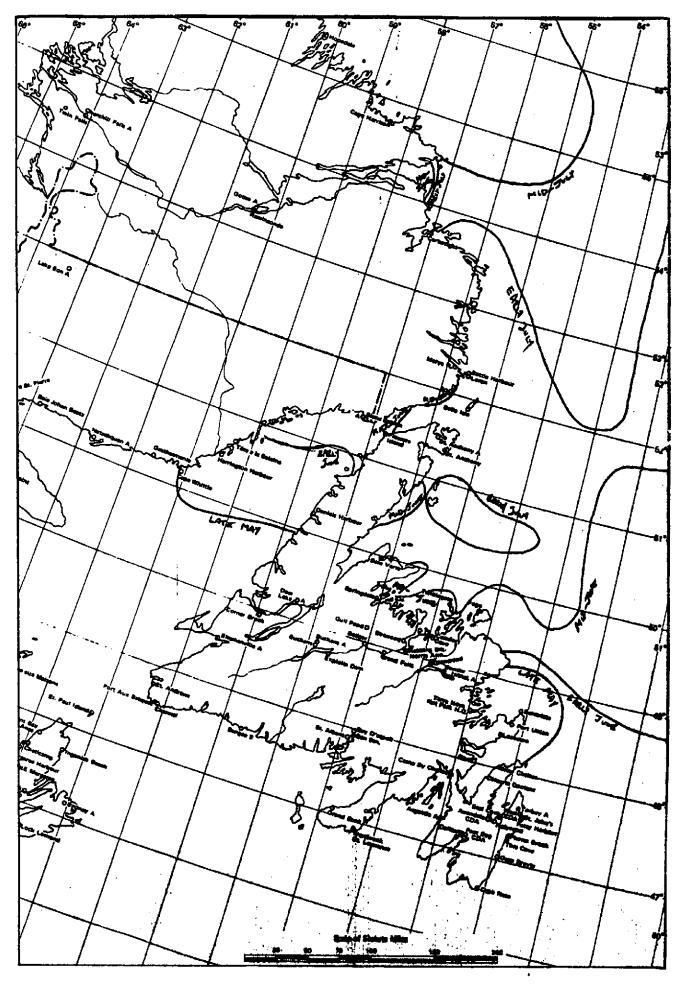


Fig. 103 Mean southern limits of ice in spring and early summer

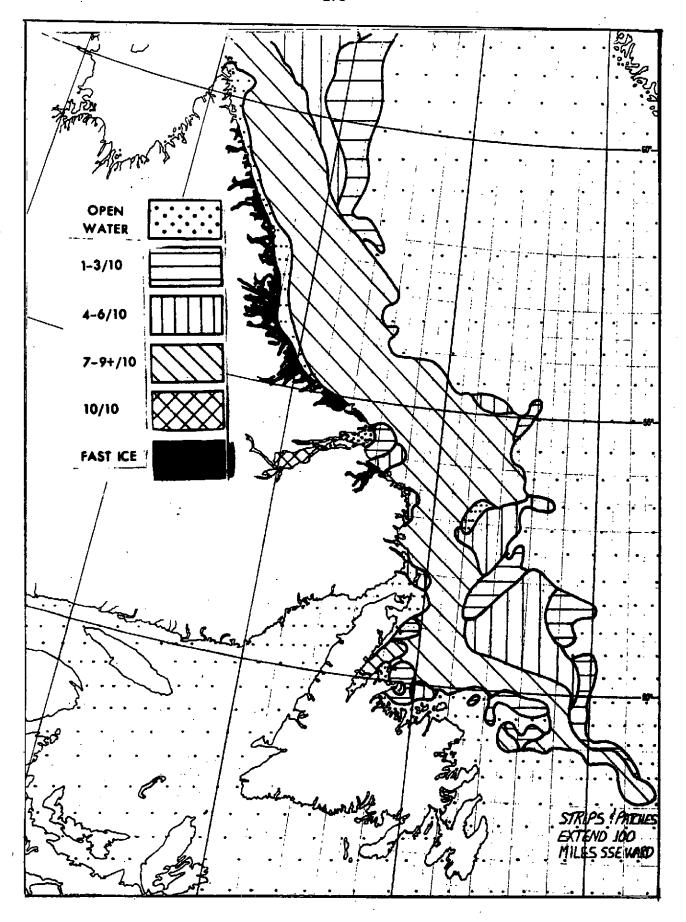


FIG. 104 ICE CONDITIONS IN A TYPICAL BAD YEAR - EARLY JUNE

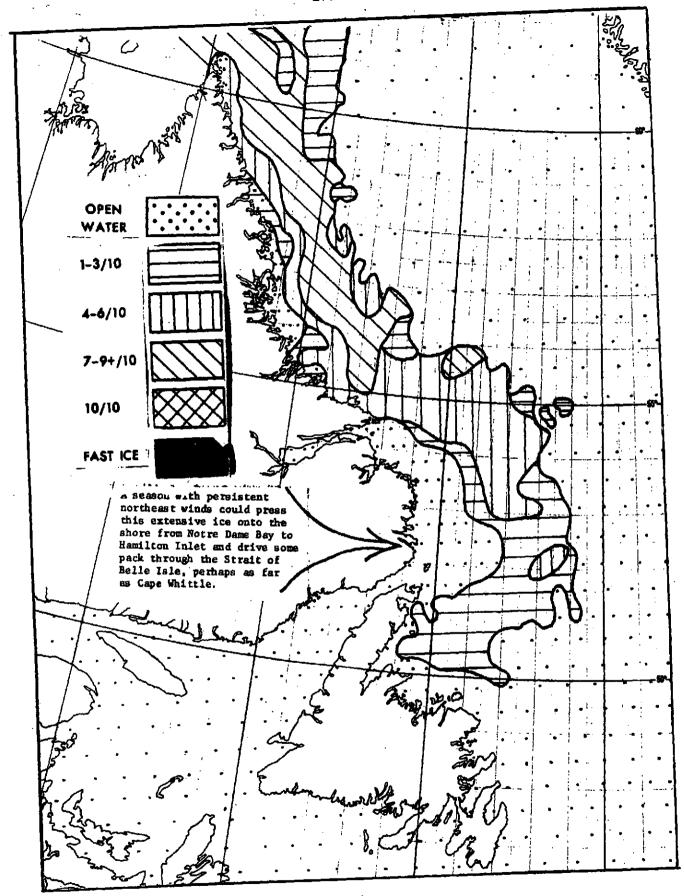


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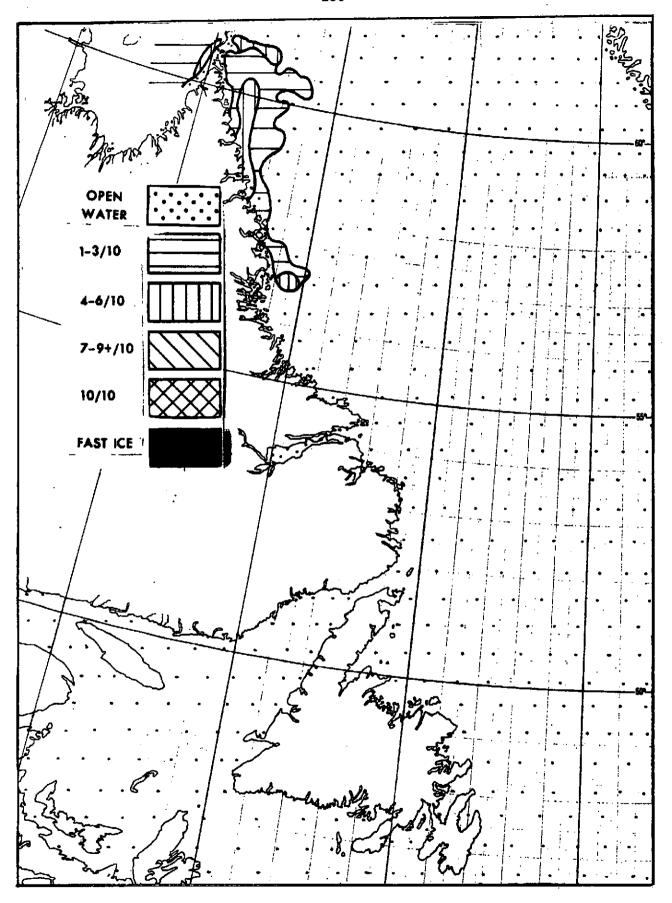


FIG. 106 ICE CONDITIONS IN A TYPICAL BAD YEAR - EARLY AUGUST

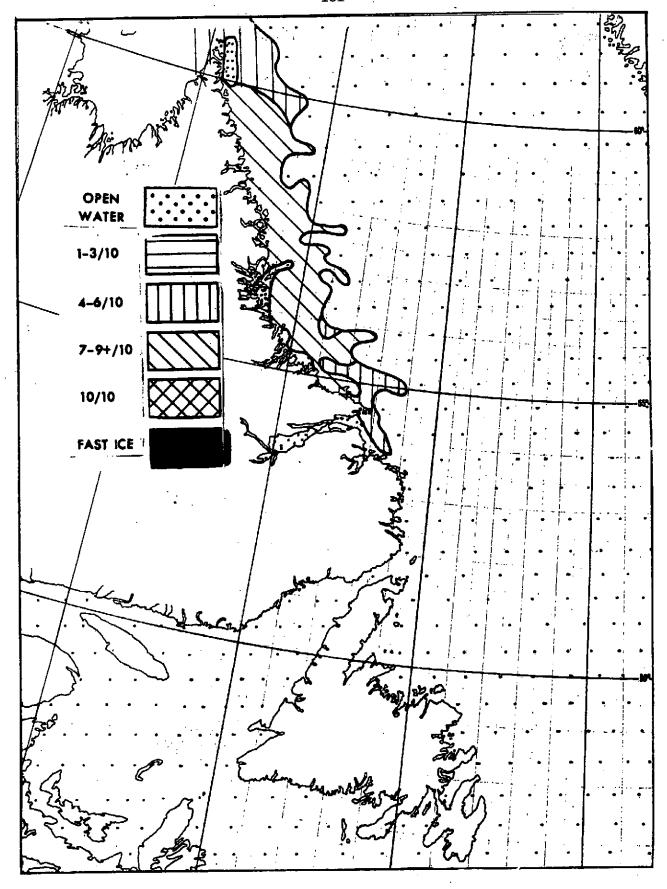


FIG. 107 ICE CONDITIONS IN A TYPICAL GOOD YEAR - EARLY JUNE

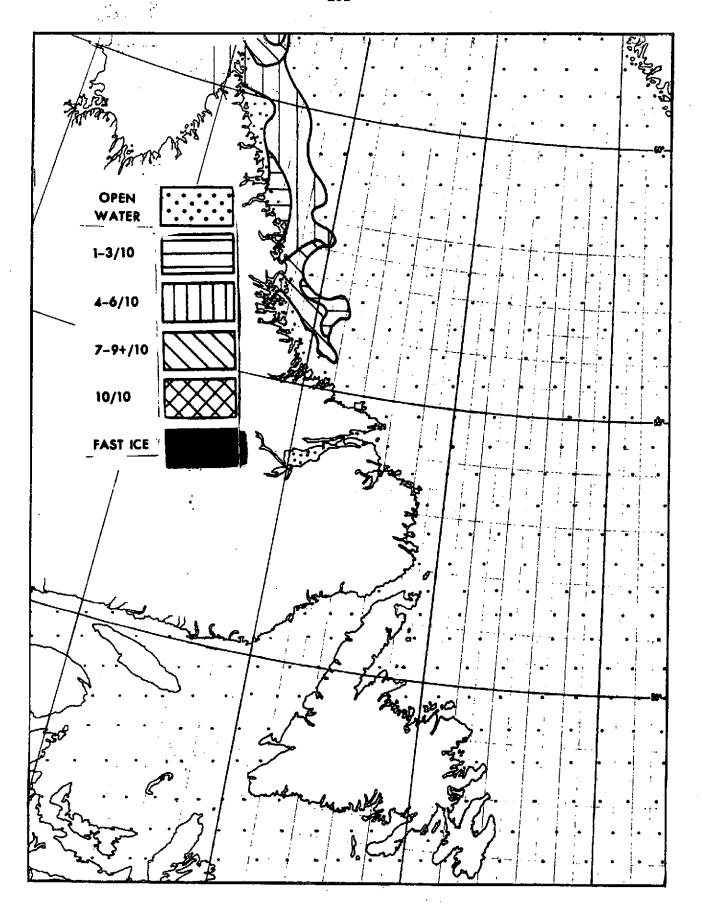


FIG. 103 ICE CONDITIONS IN A TYPICAL GOOD YEAR - EARLY JULY

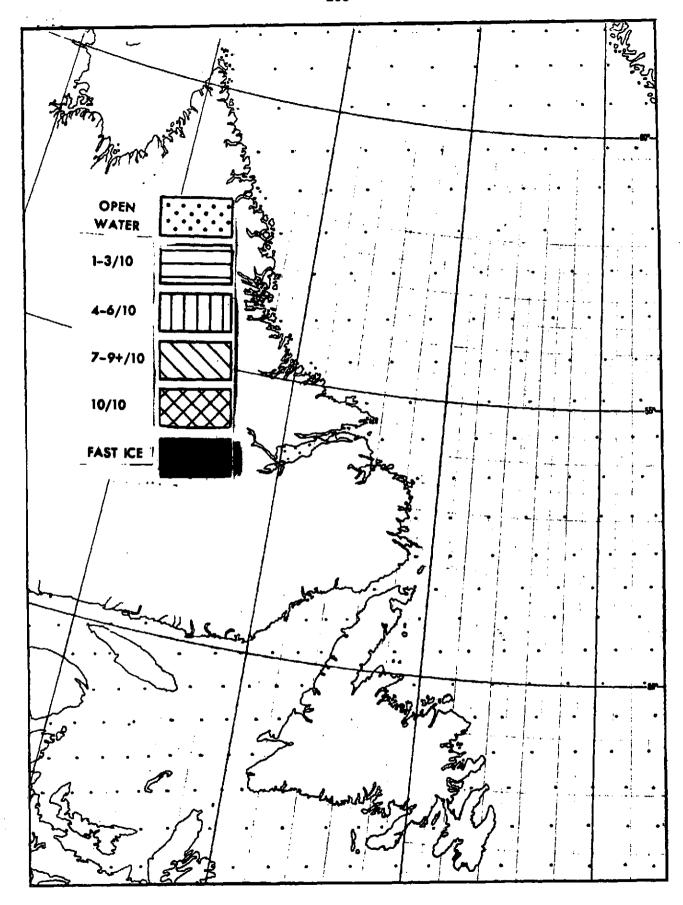


FIG. 109 ICE CONDITIONS IN A TYPICAL GOOD YEAR - EARLY AUGUST

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PART D

SOME ADDITIONAL CLIMATIC PERSPECTIVES

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## I. INTRODUCTION

In this part, some additional climatic perspectives that are relevant to tourism and outdoor recreation are outlined. Most of this material is of general interest to both seasonal and quality analysis. To avoid duplication in these earlier parts, it is presented here separately. First of all, a discussion is presented from the viewpoint of recreation climate of four major climatic elements, temperature, precipitation, sunshine (cloud) and wind. Next, two important factors that affect winter recreation, wind chill and snow quality, are discussed. Finally, the problems of airport access are discussed.

# II. THE MAIN CLIMATIC ELEMENTS

## (a) Temperature

Temperature is a major climatic determinant, even affecting the form of precipitation, whether rain or snow. Man's physical comfort and psychological perspective are intrinsically bound up in some measure with temperature variations. Recreation and tourism activities, being essentially outdoor in nature, are obviously highly dependent on temperature, and it is principally the temperature regime which determines the recreation seasons.

The mean annual temperature (Figure 110) is calculated by averaging both the daily maximum and daily minimum temperatures over the whole year. It is, thus, a measure of the relative warmth or coldness

of a locality and is most pertinent when it is used in a comparative sense between stations. Over Newfoundland and Labrador, mean annual temperatures range from near  $6^{\circ}$ C ( $43^{\circ}$ F) over the Avalon Peninsula to  $-5^{\circ}$ C ( $23^{\circ}$ F) in northern and western Labrador, where winters are cold in areas removed from the moderating influence of the Atlantic. These values can be compared with those from other Canadian localities, as is shown in Table 20.

Of more significance than the mean annual temperature is the difference between the means of the warmest and coldest months. This difference, called the mean annual range, gives a measure of the continentality of the climatic regime as a station. If the range is high (normally cold winters and warm or hot summers), the station has a continental regime, while if the range is low (normally mild winters and cool summers), it has an oceanic regime. The pattern of mean annual range across the Province is given in Figure 111. This chart illustrates the effect of the ocean. The smallest ranges occur over the Island, about 20 Celsius degrees (36 Fahrenheit degrees) along the coasts and about 24 Celsius degrees (44 Fahrenheit degrees) in the interior, comparable to values in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. In Labrador the range is greater, from 22 Celsius degrees (40 Fahrenheit degrees) at the coast to ranges of more than 33 Celsius degrees (59 Fahrenheit degrees) inland, greater than those found in New Brunswick.

Extreme annual maximum and minimum temperatures over the

Province are given in Table 5 and are also shown in map form in Figures

112 and 113, respectively. These values are the highest and lowest

temperatures ever reported at the stations for their complete period of record. These extremes must be used with caution, as the length of the climatic records at the individual stations varies considerably, and generally the longer the period of climatic records the greater the extremes. Nevertheless, these data give an indication of the relative differences of the climate from one area to another. highest temperatures recorded in Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland, respectively, are 37.8°C (100°F) at Goose Bay and 36.1°C (97°F) at Glenwood. At many inland points both in Labrador and on the Island of Newfoundland, extremely high values in the 32 to 36°C (90 to 97°F) range undoubtedly have occurred. Values are somewhat lower at the coast. The cold continental winter on the interior plateau of Labrador provides us with the lowest records in the Province, -47.8°C (-54°F) at Wabush and -43.9°C (-47°F) at Churchill Falls. On the Island of Newfoundland, all-time minimum temperature records were broken over the interior during February, 1975, when -30.9°C (-24°F) was recorded at Gander and -45°C (-49°F) at Badger. It appears that the coldest area is in the western half of the interior of the Island. Considerably higher extreme minima occur in coastal areas.

The day on which the mean daily temperature falls to the freezing point in autumn (Figure 20) is important, as from then onward, through the winter, there are freezing temperatures at some time in almost every day. While this statement seems trivial at first glance, with large areas of Labrador and inland portions of the Island remaining well below the freezing point for days on end during the heart of the

winter, it is important to realize that thaws are not infrequent during the winter months along the South Coast of the Island and over the Avalon Peninsula. The mean daily temperature falls to 0°C (32°F) first in the Torngat Mountains of Northern Labrador in early October. The sub-freezing values occur in Southern Labrador and over the Northern Peninsula of the Island one month later in early November and on the Avalon Peninsula in early December.

Similarly, the date that the mean daily temperature rises to  $0^{\circ}C$  (32°F) in spring (Figure 21) gives the date after which a thaw can be expected to occur on practically every day. The mean daily temperature rises to the melting point on the Avalon Peninsula first, near the beginning of April. Over the Northern Peninsula of the Island and in Southeastern Labrador it occurs near the beginning of May and in Northern Labrador near the end of May.

Figure 22 illustrates the length of period that the mean daily temperature is lower than the freezing point. This sub-freezing period is about eight months long in the Torngat Mountains of Northern Labrador, six months long at the latitudes of Goose Bay and St. Anthony, and four months long over southern portions of the Island.

#### (b) Precipitation

While the *comfort* of the tourist or recreationist is highly dependent on temperature, the *quality* of his experience is dependent, in addition, on other weather parameters. One of the most significant of these is the occurrence or absence of precipitation.

Figure 114 shows the distribution of mean total annual precipitation and Figure 115 of mean annual snowfall. The total annual precipitation is the sum of rainfall and melted snowfall. Ten centimetres of snow, when melted, yield on the average one centimetre (or ten millimetres) of water. Using this relationship, Table 21 was constructed to show the percentage of total annual precipitation falling as rain and snow. The amount of rain contributing to the total annual precipitation will vary from one area to another. Stations in Labrador report about 50 per cent of their annual precipitation in the form of rain and 50 per cent as snow. The values for Stephenville, Bonavista and St. John's show that approximately 75 per cent of the total falls as rain and about 25 per cent as snow. The elevations of the various stations are given in Table 21. Although other factors such as latitude and proximity to the ocean are of major importance, elevation does have a significant influence on precipitation amounts and on the relative contribution of rain to snow. Maximum precipitation and snowfall amounts (as shown in Figures 114 and 115) over the mountains of Labrador and the western part of the Island were estimated with reference to the work of Solmon et al (1968), but adjustments were made where their amounts appeared to be excessive.

In Figure 114, a general decline can be seen from the higher total annual precipitation values in the southern part of the Island (1200 to 1800 mm) to the lower values in extreme northern Labrador (400 to 600 mm). Superimposed on this pattern are areas of maximum precipitation amounts, notably just inland in the Port-aux-Basques to Baie d'Espoir area, over the Long Range, and in Southeastern Labrador

and extreme Eastern Quebec between Goose Bay and Harrington Harbour. It is suggested that those maximum areas are a result of the frequent passage of depressions through the Gulf of St. Lawrence and across the Island, the effect of elevation, and along the western shore of the Island, the frequent deposition of snow by cold air outbreaks crossing the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Similar patterns are discernible in the precipitation patterns for July (Figure 116), August (Figure 117), October (Figure 118), the total summer period, June to September (Figure 119) and in January snowfall pattern (Figure 120), although not to such a marked degree.

Some similarities can be found between the patterns of total annual snowfall (Figure 115) and total annual precipitation (Figure 114). However, the area of greatest snowfall appears in Southeastern Labrador. This is to be expected since rain constitutes a far greater part of the total winter precipitation on the Island of Newfoundland than it does in Labrador.

Tables 13, 22 and 23 show the average number of days by month of measurable rainfall, snowfall and total precipitation, respectively. Because rain and snow sometimes occur on the same day, the sum of the days with snow and rain is usually higher than the days with total precipitation. Measurable rainfall and total precipitation are defined as 0.01" (0.2 mm) and measurable snowfall as 0.1" (0.2 cm). Because many of the days with measurable precipitation report relatively small amounts, the ratio of days with measurable snow to measurable rain is extremely variable from place to place. This is particularly

true over the Island of Newfoundland. While approximately three-quarters of the total precipitation falls as rain and one-quarter as snow over the Island, the ratio of snow days to rain days averages 0.51 and varies from 0.78 at Stephenville to 0.15 at St. Lawrence. Over Labrador, about half the total annual precipitation falls as snow and half as rain. The ratio of snow days to rain days corresponds well on the average (1.04, including data from Fort Chimo, Schefferville and Lake Eon, P.Q), but varies from 1.38 at Wabush Lake to 0.73 at Battle Harbour Loran.

Tables 24, 25 and 14 give the per cent of total time by month with snow, rain or drizzle, and freezing rain or freezing drizzle, respectively. The data are not only given for Labrador and the Island, but also for some locations in the Maritime Provinces for the sake of comparison. These data were not calculated for the year. Considerable variability occurs from station to station, particularly in the case of snow (Table 24). Those areas which are prone to snowflurry activity display strong anomalies. For instance, snow is reported 60% of the total time in January at Daniel's Harbour as compared with about 17% at Argentia.

## (c) Sunshine and Cloudiness

The quality of tourist or recreation experience can be greatly enhanced by sunshine. In particular, during the cold winter months, the presence of sunshine can ameliorate the effects of low temperatures, making such outdoor pursuits as skiing and snowmobiling more comfortable as well. The opposite of sunshine is cloudiness. Although many pursuits

can be enjoyable during a cloudy day, an overcast day may be psychologically depressing to many people.

In Table 26 the average number of hours with bright sunshine are presented for thirteen locations in Labrador and the Island by month and year. Since the length of day changes considerably from summer to winter (Table 27), the mean percentage of bright sunshine to total hours of daylight is given in Table 28. It can be seen from these tables that more sunshine is experienced in western Labrador from January to May than at most other locations in Labrador and the Island. Also, the hours of sunshine are comparatively low in June, July and August at Colinet (Peat Bog), Placentia and Burgeo. This is due to the prevalence of sea fog on the coast in summer. Note how the hours of sunshine recover in September as the cooler and drier air of autumn arrives.

Even if part of the sky is cloudy, the fact that the sun is able to shine through the breaks encourages outdoor activity. Consequently, Table 29 was prepared, giving the mean number of days each month on which the afternoon (3 p.m.) cloud cover amounted to seven-tenths or less. These days were termed "sunny days".

In Labrador, the sunniest months fall in the winter season. Since the landscape is frozen, there is little moisture available to produce cloud. Along the coast, when ice becomes solid to 40 or 50 miles out from shore, the continental quality of the inland climate frequently extends to the edge of the ocean. By contrast, in summer

the numerous lakes and rivers, making up a large percentage of the landscape, and the open Atlantic add a significant amount of cloud-producing moisture to the air.

On the Island, the months of summer are the summiest at most points. Along the South Coast, because of the summer fog, sunshine appears to be distributed more evenly throughout the year. The low amounts of sunshine on the West Coast in winter are due to the frequent cloud cover and snow flurries that move in from the Gulf of St. Lawrence during onshore flow conditions.

Table 30 gives the average number of days with no sunshine by month. These are the dull, depressing days. The longest periods occur along the South Coast, where there are many days with fog and low cloud during the summer months. In general, the winter months are much duller than the summer, and the Province as a whole has more overcast days than the Maritimes.

# (d) Wind

While a cooling breeze may enhance a recreation experience on a hot day, in general, the quality of the pursuit diminishes with increasing wind strength. High speeds may inhibit outdoor activity, especially in the case of winter activities.

Table 12 lists mean monthly wind speeds for all available stations in the Province and adjacent areas of Quebec. Considerable variation occurs from station to station, due largely to exposure

differences. For example, coastal stations have stronger winds for the most part than inland stations. Stations in valleys usually have lighter winds than those at higher elevations, although when the long axis of the valley is oriented parallel to the prevailing wind very strong winds frequently occur. At practically all stations, the winter season is decidedly more windy than the summer. Gust speeds are not measured at all stations. However, probable maximum gust speeds can be calculated from maximum observed hourly wind speeds. These two values, maximum observed and maximum calculated gust speeds are given in Table 12. Although there are some exceptions, the calculated probable maximum gust speeds were usually higher than the observed. It may be noted at many exposed localities hourly winds as high as 70 m.p.h., and gusts of 100 m.p.h. have been reported.

The most frequent wind direction with the percentage of time is given in Table 19. Differences from station to station are mostly due to differing local exposure. Winds are predominantly westerly the year round in the latitudes of Newfoundland and Labrador, but variations both from station to station and from month to month are marked, particularly with regard to northerly and southerly components. Some of this variation is no doubt due to topographic features, but shifting positions of mean storm tracks through the year also play an important role. Along the South Coast of the Island, summer winds are frequently easterly in direction. In Table 19, secondary directions are also given.

### III. TWO IMPORTANT FACTORS WHICH AFFECT WINTER RECREATION

### (a) Wind Chill

The sensation of relative warmth or coolness to a person in the open air depends on both air temperature and wind speed. The term, "wind chill", is normally used to define an excessive heat loss or rate of cooling produced by a combination of low temperature and strong winds. Wind chill is obviously very significant for winter recreation pursuits, as it can cause not only serious discomfort, but also at times present the danger of frostbite or even death.

Calculations of heat loss experienced by a person in the open were made by Siple and Passel (1945) and expressed in units of Kilocalories per square metre per hour (Kcal/m²/hr). Their nomogram of dry-shade atmospheric cooling is reproduced as Figure 121. Table 31 shows the relationship between various levels of this wind chill unit and average degrees of comfort. The value of 1400 Kcal/m²/hr is particularly significant, as this is, on the average, the threshold, above which exposed human flesh begins to freeze.

Figure 122 gives the pattern of mean wind-chill values for the month of January. The pattern is necessarily generalized, as wind is so dependent on topography. However, the 1400 Kcal/m<sup>2</sup>/hr isopleth lies just north of Goose Bay, Labrador.

In Table 32, the mean wind-chill values are tabulated from

December to April at a number of stations. January is usually the

"coldest" month, but at Stephenville and St. John's, February shows the

highest values of wind chill.

Variations in wind chill, and consequently in comfort, occur with variations in wind or temperature or both. For example, the heat of a mid-summer day may be relieved by a breeze, or the effect of low temperatures on a cold day will be greatly increased by an increase in wind speed. In some instances the wind chill may not change over short periods, such as a day. For example, there will be times of day when both wind speed and temperature tend to be high and other times, as in the morning and evening when both are low, resulting in a relatively steady wind chill, barring any marked changes in the weather. However, large variations occur from day to day when mild spells are replaced by cold snaps, and vice versa.

A method was developed for the U. S. Army by Westbrook (1961) to predict the frequency of occurrence of certain critical wind-chill values from means of temperature and wind speed (see Figure 123). From his nomogram the percentage of time during which the wind chill can be expected to reach or exceed 1400 Kcal/m²/hr (frostbite threshold) was calculated for the stations listed in Table 32. This frostbite threshold is reached about a third of the time or more in mid-winter over the interior of Labrador, but only less than ten per cent of the time over coastal areas of the Island.

### (b) Snow Quality

Snow quality for winter sports can be seriously lowered by rain or freezing rain. In general, at any one location, the frequency

of rain (see Tables 13 and 25) appears to change little from December to March, although, naturally, at the beginning and ending of the snow cover season, rain is much more frequent than in the middle of winter. The variation from station to station is considerable, five to ten per cent of the hours in January being rainy over the Island, but only about one per cent over Labrador. The frequency of freezing rain (see Table 14) is much less than that of rain. Similarly, the frequency varies little from month to month at the height of winter, and it is near zero at the start and finish of the snow cover season. The higher frequencies of freezing rain at St. John's and Gander are related to an area of maximum occurrence on the East Coast of Newfoundland between these two points.

#### IV. AIRPORT ACCESS

Any study of the impact of regional climate on recreation and tourism must treat travel to and from the recreation area as a fundamental factor. This is important in the case of the Island of Newfoundland and especially so for Labrador, where the tourist has to travel great distances. Much of the travel is necessarily by aircraft, again particularly so in the case of Labrador.

The access problem can be examined from two viewpoints, regional and local. It is one problem for a tourist to be able to fly into a general area of interest such as St. John's, St. Anthony or Goose Bay. It is quite another problem for him to be able to get to the recreation site, which may be a few dozen miles away across barren

terrain or along fog-enshrouded coasts.

Air travel is limited mainly by the occurrence of very low cloud and/or visibility. When thick layers of cloud cover more than half the sky, this is referred to as a ceiling. Table 33 gives the percentage of time ceilings are below 1000 feet above ground and/or visibilities below three miles for the major airports of Goose Bay, Schefferville (Quebec), St. John's, Gander and Stephenville. These 1000-foot and three-mile values may be considered the lower limits for visual-flight-rule flying. Tables 34 and 35 give the percentages of time ceilings are below 500 and 200 feet and/or visibilities below one mile and one-half mile, respectively, for the same major airports. These limits may be considered the lower limits for operation of aircraft, the choice between the limits depending upon the type of aircraft and the airport in question.

Tables 33 to 35 indicate that the Goose Bay, Schefferville and Stephenville airports are serviceable most of the time. By comparison, using the average annual figures, Gander and St. John's airports have ceilings and visibilities below 1000 feet and three miles 29 to 36 per cent of the time and below the lowest usable limits, 200 feet and one-half mile, about 4 to 10% of the time. During the months of March, April and May, Gander and St. John's experience poor flying weather most frequently. While there is some blowing snow in March (see Table 36), generally it is the high frequency of fog (see Tables 17 and 18) which lowers the serviceable hours at this time of year.

Data on ceilings and visibilities are not available for other airports in Newfoundland and Labrador. Fog data shown in Tables 17, (visibility less than 5/8 mile) and 18 (visibility less than or equal to 6 miles) indicate that fog is a major problem along the South Coast and Avalon Peninsula of the Island, through the Strait of Belle Isle, and along the south Labrador Coast, particularly in the late spring and early summer.

Thunderstorms can be a hazard to small aircraft travel, particularly if severe, widespread, or in a line formation such as a squall line or cold front. Table 37 gives the average number of hours in each month with thunder reported.

Freeze-up and break-up data of ice in rivers, lakes and bays are useful to operators of small aircraft and to shipping agencies.

These are shown in Table 38. Pontoon aircraft cannot be operated after the arrival of first permanent ice. Communities dependent on this mode of transportation are thus cut off until the complete freeze-over, when aircraft equipped with skiis can be used. Similarly, in spring aircraft with skiis cannot be used after the first deterioration, and the community is again cut off until the water body is completely free of ice, when aircraft with pontoons can again be used.

From Table 38, it is seen that the spring break-up, that is, the time between the first deterioration and the complete absence of ice, occurs earliest, in March, along the South Coast of the Island of Newfoundland. Over the remaining coasts of the Island, break up occurs

in April, but over inland lakes and rivers it is delayed until late April or early May. Along the southern half of the Labrador Coast, spring break-up occurs during May, but along the northern half of the coast and over the interior plateau, it is delayed until late May or early June.

The autumn freeze-up, that is, the time between the arrival of the first permanent ice and the complete freeze-over, occurs first, in late October and early November, over the interior plateau of Labrador. Along the Labrador Coast, the freeze-up occurs later in November or December. Both along the coast of the Island and inland, freeze-up occurs in December or in January.

TABLE 20

# MEAN ANNUAL TEMPERATURE AT A NUMBER OF CANADIAN LOCALITIES

	<u>Celsius</u>	<u>Fahrenheit</u>
Halifax, N.S Charlottetown , P.E.I. Fredericton, N.B. Natashquan , P.Q. Baie Comeau, P.Q. Timmins, Ont. Winnipeg, Man.	7.6° 5.6° 5.4° 1.4° 1.4° 2.3°	45.6° 42.0° 41.8° 34.5° 34.5° 34.5° 36.2°
Dawson, Y.T. Yellowknife, N.W.T.	-4.7° -5.6°	23.6° 22.0°

TABLE 21 ,
PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL ANNUAL PRECIPITATION FALLING AS RAIN AND SNOW

	Total Annu	al Precipitation
	Per cent as Rain	Per cent as Snow
LABRADOR		
Wabush Lake (1807'- 551 km)	52	48
Churchill Falls (1426' - 435 km)	46	54
Goose Bay (144' - 44 km)	55	45
Cartwright (47'- 14 km)	54	46
ISLAND OF NEWFOUNDLAND		
St. Anthony (57' - 17 km)	63	37
Stephenville (44'- 13 km)	74	26
Buchans (906'- 276 km)	68	32
Gander (482' - 147 km)	67	33
Bonavista (82'- 25 km)	76	24
St. John's A (463' - 141 km)	76	24

TABLE 22

MEAN NUMBER OF DAYS WITH MEASURABLE SNOWFALL (1941-1970)

<del>-</del> .	Jan	. Feb	Mar	. 4	Wa.	. T				·	·		
							Jul	. Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST	1			LAB	RAI	DOR					•		
Hopedale	13	10	11	10	7	1	*		_	_			
Cape Harrison	15	12	13	12	7	2	ō	0	1	6 5	11 12	13 12	83 90
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST	<u>.</u>									-		14	70
Goose Bay	16	13	14	11	6	1	0			_			
Cartwright	15	13	15	12	7	1	0	0	1	5	12	15	94
Battle Harbour	8	8	8	5	3	*	Ô	Ö	ō	4	10	13	90
Battle Harbour Loran	13	11	13	10	4	1	ŏ	ő	Ö	1 2	. 7	7 12	45 · 73
INTERIOR PLATEAU					-					_	•	16	. ,,
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	11	11	12	10	7	2	0	•					
Schefferville (P.Q.)	15	13	13	11	10	2	*	0	2	10	14	15	94
Wabush Lake	19	14	15	12	9	î		0	6	13	17	15	115
Churchill Falls	8	5	7	6	5	i	0	Ö	4	12	17 '	17	120
Lake Eon (P.Q.)	17	14	15	13	10	2	ŏ	*	1 2	4 9	8 16	6 17	51 115
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WEST COAST								N D L	e u h				
Daniel's Harbour	14	11	11	7	2	o d	^	•		_			
Corner Brook	22	18	14	9	2	*	0	0	*	1	6	12	64
Stephenville	22	19	14	ģ	ī	#	Q	0	0	2	9	20	96
St. Andrews	16	13	11	5	ī	Ö	Ö	Ö	0	1 *	7 5	19 15	92 66
EAST COAST									_				ÜΒ
St. Anthony	10	10	9	6	2	*		•	_	_			
Twillingate	12	11	10	7	2	*	0	0	0	1	5	9	52
Bonavista	12	11	10	8	3	*	ŏ	0	0	1	4 3	10 10	57 50
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON								•	•	•	3	10	58
St. John's A	17	16	15.	10	-	*	_	_					
a	13	11	11	6	3 2	*	0	, 0	<b>±</b>	2	6	16	85
Argentia	9	10	7	3	1	ā	0	' O	0	1	3	10	57
St. Lawrence	6	5	3	ĩ	ō	Ď	0	0	0	*	1	6	37
Burgeo	9	9	6	3	*	Ö	ŏ	0	0 ·	*	*	2	17
Grand Bank	11	10	8	4	*	ŏ	ŏ	ō	0	*	1 2	7 10	35 45
INTER IOR								•	Ť			10	43
Gander	17	16	16	12		*	_	_					
Grand Falls	11	10	10	8	4 2	*	0	0	*			16	92
Springdale	6 .	. 7	7	4	*	0	0	Q Q	*	1	5		56
Buchans A	L6	13	12	9	2	*	0.	0	0	* 2	2		32
RAND LAKE LOWLANDS						<del></del>			- -	-	· :	L5 	76 
	4	10	10	5	1	*	^		_		_		•
	• •		10	3	1	*	0	0	0	*	5	.2	57

<sup>\*</sup>less than one-half day

TABLE 23

MEAN NUMBER OF DAYS WITH MEASURABLE TOTAL PRECIPITATION (1941-1970)

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	Jan,	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
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NORTHERN HALF OF COAST													
Hopedale Cape Harrison	14 15	11 12	12 13	12 15	13 13	13 13	15 15	15 15	14 15	13 12	13 15	14 13	159 166
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST	•												
Goose Bay	16	13	15	13	13	15	16	16	14	14	15	16	176
Cartwright	16	15	16	15	15	14	15	16	14	14	14	15	179
Battle Harbour	10	8	9	9 .	8	8	7.	8	7	7	10	8	. 99
Battle Harbour Loran	14	12	15	13	12	13	13	14	10	12	14	14	156
INTERIOR PLATEAU													
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	11	11	12	10	11	12	13	15	16	15	14	15	1 <b>5</b> 5
Schefferville (P.Q.)	15	<b>13</b>	14	12	14	15	18	19	17	18	18	15	188
Wabush Lake	19	14	15	13	14	14	- 17	19	16	18	19	17	195
Churchill Falls	8	5	8	8	11	13	14	13	11	10	10	6	117
Lake Eon (P.Q.)	17	14	15	15	16	15	16	17	14	16	19	17	191
		,	SL	AND	O F	NRW	F O U	N D L	AND		•	•	
WEST COAST		•			• •								
Daniel's Harbour	16	13	12	10	11	12	12	13	12	13	15	15	154
Corner Brook	25	20	17	15	15	13	14	15	14	18	20	24	210
Stephenville	24	20	17	14	14	14	14	15	14	17	19	23	205
St. Andrews	20	16	15	12	12	12	11	12	14	15	17	20	176
PACE COACE													
RAST COAST													
St. Anthony	13	11	12	10	10	11	10	12	11	12	14	12	138
Twillingate	16	13	13	12	11	12	12	12	11	13	14	15	154
Bonavista	16	15	15	14	13	12	10	14	12	16	16	16	169
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON	_												
St. John's A	22	20	20	18	16	13	13	15	14	18	19	22	210
St. John's	18	16	17	14	14	10	10	13	13	16	17	17	175
Argentia	16	15	13	13	13	12	13	13	11	13	15	16	163
St. Lawrence	11	11	9	9	11	9	9	11	11	11	13	12	127
Burgeo	13	13	10	10	12	12	13	13	12	13	14	15	150
Grand Bank	17	15	13	12	12	12	11	11	11	13	16	16	159
INTERIOR													
Gander	20	19	19	17	15	15	13	16	15	17	18	20	204
Buchans A	18	14	15	13	11	12	13	14	12	13	15	18	168
Grand Falls	13	13	15	13	13	13	14	14	12	14	15	14	163
Springdale	9	9	9	7	8	10	9	11	9	10	11	10	112
GRAND LAKE LOWLANDS	·		. •	•									<del></del>
	17	·. 12	13	11	13	13	13	14	13	15	16	16	166
Deer Lake	. 1/	12	13	TT	13	13	. 13	14	13	13	10	. 20	100

TABLE 24

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH SNOW

•	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Period of record
·				L A	BRAD	O R							
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	22.9	22.4	21.0	17.6	16.3	3.5	0.1		3.2	21.6	29.4	29.9	1957-66
Schefferville (P.Q.)	36.2	37.2	31.5	28.4	24.5	4.5	0.2	0.7	8.3	31.6	48.4	40.7	1957-66
Goose Bay	30.6	26.7	30.8	23.4	7.9	1.1		÷ .	1.2	9.0	24.8	25.8	1957-66
			1 \$	LANI		NEWI	? O U N	DLAI	N D				
Daniel's Harbour	60.0	47.2	35.0	22.3	5.1	0.1			0.1	4.8	19.3	46.6	1966-72
Stephenville	48.5	40.1	25.3	15.3	3.0				0.2	1.8	14.2	38.9	1957-66
St. John's A	35.1	34.7	31.7	19.7	5.8	0.7			0.1	1.7	9.8	28.2	1957-66
Argentia	17.3	18.3	15.7	8.7	2.1					0.6	3.7	12.5	1953-70
Gander	38.9	38.8	39.5	30.2	8.1	1.0			0.2	4.5	16.0	33.8	1957-66
				MAI	RITI	MES							
Halifax	26.7	24.8	19.5	10.2	1.4					0.9	7.3	24.6	•
Truro	23.6	22.8	18.5	9.1	1.0					1.0.	6.8	23.3	
Greenwood	28.5	25.6	18.7	6.9	0.8					0.7	5.5	24.2	
Fredericton	19.7	20.3	14.9	8.4	0.5					1.1	6.6	17.9	

TABLE 25

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH RAIN OR DRIZZLE

•					•						-		
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Period of Record
		-		LA	BRA	D O R .			•				
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.0	7.5	14.7	14.6	18.1	17.3	7.9	2.1	0.1	1957-66
Schefferville (P.Q.)	0.6	0.7	1.5	2.0	12.5	21.0	23.2	26.5	21.3	9.8	2.3	0.9	1957-66
Goose Bay	1.5	1.3	4.0	6.0	19.4	22.2	22.0	18.6	18.1	15.3	6.7	2.1	1957-66
			. I s	LANI	O F	NEWF	? O U. N	DLAI	i D		•		
Daniel's Harbour	4.6	3.8	5.7	7.2	20.0	23.4	16.8	19.2	17.4	19.7	16.6	7.9	1966-72
Stephenville	5.6	3.8	4.9	9.8	13.3	16.7	13:1	12.7	14.6	17.1	17.8	7.0	1957-66
St. John's A	9.1	8.2	10.2	13.4	19.3	20.8	17.4	18.1	20.1	22.5	24.3	13.2	1957-66
Argentia	10.1	8.9	9.3	14.2	16.6	17.1	15.7	14.6	13.6	17.4	18.2	11.3	1953-70
Gander	8.1	7.9	10.8	14.2	20.0	25.5	21.0	20.1	23,1	23.5	20.5	9.1	1957-66
	·				H A	RITI	HES		·				
Halifax	6.4	5.1	7.3	14.0	17.3	15.0	13.9	14.5	15.6	16.3	23.6	12.2	
Truro	5.7	4.8	7.1	12.1	14.9	12.7	10.0	11.6	12.4	14.4	18.1	9.9	
Greenwood	7.8	5.2	7.1	14.2	14.0	11.0	9.4	10.1	11.9	15.8	20.9	9.2	
Predericton	4.1	2.3	5.3	11.3	14.2	11.8	10.7	10.7	11.3	14.3	18.3	6.1	

TABLE 26

MEAN NUMBER OF HOURS WITH BRIGHT SUNSHINE BY MONTHS

	Jan	. Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec .	Year	Number of years
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST					L	ABR	ADO	R						
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST														
Goose Bay	84	114	136	141	172	187	196	181	126	94	66	67	1565	10 or more
INTERIOR PLATEAU			-											
Schefferville (P.Q.) Churchill Falle Border (P.Q.)	82 100 ( 77)	117 122 117	165 144 146	191 162 178	168 199 183	198 188 196	188 208 216	145 175 162	101 102 109	67 67 76	45 45 40	61 72 56	1528 1584 1556	10 or more 5-7 5-7, Jan. 3
		•	1:	SLAI	i D O	FNE		DUNI	D L A ?	i n		•		•
WEST COAST														
Daniel's Harbour Stephenville	( 63) 46	74 76	112 106	141 145	174 167	150 177	213 222	181 185	147 137	98 108	41 51	28 · 32	1422 1452	3-5, Jan. 2 5-7
EAST COAST												-		•
Gander St. John's		below) below)										,		
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON														
St. John's A St. John's CDA Avondale	64 70	76 78	89 92	116 114	158 166	188 193 · 191	213 224 199	184 191 183	145 150 140	111 109	62 65	52 56	1458 1508	10 or more 10 or more
Colinet Peat Bog Placentia Burgeo	79 93	90 95 .	96 121	109 146	( 94) 152	161 103 162	176 134 155	158 161 158	140 153 155	102 123	58 71	63 72	1242 1503	10 or more 10 or more 2-4, May 1 6-7
INTERIOR			•											
Gander	73	85	102	116	155	169	202	180	145	112	62	60	- 1461	. 10 oz mozo

### Table 26 (Cont'd)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Number of years
					M A	RIT	I M E	S						
Halifax	93	117	144	162	204	206	230	219	176	154	93	85	1883	10 or more
Charlottetown Fredericton	83 103	105 118	137 141	156 160	199 201	215 203	244 234	220 218	180 166	133 140	72 85	59 91	1803 1860	10 or more 10 or more

<sup>\*</sup> where the record is 10 or more years long 1941-1970 records were used. where the record is less than 10 years all available records to 1974 were used.

TABLE 27

SUNRISE AND SUNSET TIMES (LST) AND LENGTHS OF DAYLIGHT
THROUGH THE YEAR AT THREE LOCALITIES

	LAT	56 <sup>10</sup> N (Nain)	LAT 53	N (Goose)	LAT 48 <sup>O</sup> N	(Clarenville)
Date	Sunrise- sunset	Hours sun is above horizon	Sunrise- sunset	Hours sun is above horizon	<b>S</b>	Hours sun is above horizon
		hrs. min.	-	hrs. min.		hrs. min.
Apr. 21	0442-1917	14: 35	0452-1907	14: 15	0502-1857	13 : 55
May 21	0336-2018	16 : 42	0355-1959	16: 04	0415-1938	15 : 23
Jun. 21	0309-2054	17 : 45	0334-2030	16 : 56	0400-2004	16: 04
Jul. 21	0336-2035	16 : 59	0401-2011	16 : 10	0422-1950	15 : 28
Aug. 21	0440-1925	14 : 45	0450-1915	14 : 25	0502-1904	14: 02
Sep. 21	0540-1806	12: 26	0541-1805	12 : 24	0543-1804	12 : 21
Oct. 21	0642-1647	10 : 07	0634-1655	10 : 21	0626-1703	10: 37
Nov. 21	0752-1539	7 : 47	0735-1556	8 : 21	0715-1616	9: 01
Dec. 21	0834-1523	6: 49	0812-1545	7 : 33	0747-1609	8: 22
Jan. 21	0818-1604	7: 46	0802-1622	8 : 20	0741-1641	9: 00
Feb. 21	0711-1717	10: 06	0704-1724	10 : 20	0655-1732	10 : 37
Mar. 21	0601-1815	12: 14	0601-1814	12: 13	0602-1814	12: 12

TABLE 28

MEAN PERCENTAGE OF BRIGHT SUNSHINE TO TOTAL HOURS OF DAYLIGHT BY MONTHS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Number of years
					L	ABRA	A D O	R					
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST													
No Records													
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST								•					
Goose Bay	36	40	34	34	34	37	40	37	32	30	24	34	10-11
INTERIOR PLATEAU													
Schefferville (P.Q.)	35	44	47	42	35	33	36	-32	28	19	19	30	9-10
Churchill Falls	39	44	39	38	40	37	41	39	27	21	19	31	57
Border (P.Q.)	( 32)	43	40	42	36	38	42	35	29	23	16	25	5-7, except Jan. 3
•	. •												
WEST COAST			L	SLAI	N D O	PNI	EWF (	OUNI	LAI	N D			
Daniel's Harbour	( 24)	26	30	34	36	31	43	41	39	29	15	11	3-5 except Jan. 2
Stephenville	17	26	29	35	36	37	46	42	36	32	18	12	5-7
EAST COAST		•											
Gander St. John's		below) below)				•							
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON							` •				-		
St. John's A	28	29	24	28	33	39	46	42	38	29	24	20	10-11
St. John's CDA	30	30	26	28	33	40	48	42	39	28	24	21	10-11
Avondale						34	42	41	39	/ as\			9-10
Colinet Peat Bog						30	36	34	37	( 25)			9-10 except Oct. 7
Placentia	28	31 .	( 26)	( 26)	( 20)	( 21)	28	37	41	30	20	24	3-4 except below *
Burgeo	34	<b>3</b> 3	33	36	32	34	32	36	41	<b>3</b> 7	24	27	6-7
INTERIOR													
Gander	34	38	27	30	34	37	46	42	40	32	24	25	10-11
-					H	ARIT	I M I	E 8			٠.		•
Halifax	37	41	38	38	48	47	42	49	44	43	33	29	
Charlottetown	33	45	38	43	40	49	50	50	45	40	27	20	. (
Predericton	40	50	39	42	44	47	48	48	43	40	31	34	` .

<sup>\*</sup> March, April and June 2. May 1

TABLE 29

MEAN NUMBER OF SUNNY DAYS (7/10 OR LESS CLOUD COVER AT 1500 N.S.T.)

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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Зер.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Years of Record
						LABE	LADO	R						
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST														
Hopedale '	13	12	14	12	11	12	12	11	10	11	9	12	139	10
Cape Harrigon	13	11	12	11	10	11	10	11	9	9	9	13	129	10 14
SOUTHERN HALF COAST														
Goose Bay	12	11	11	10	10	11	10	9	9	9	-	10	101	
Cartwright	13	12	11	10	12	īī	11	12	11	10	7	12 13	12 <u>1</u> 133	11
Battle Harbour	13	12	12	10	11	10	14	12	13	12	ģ	13	141	10 10
INTERIOR PLATEAU													·. •	
Wabush Lake	15	14	16	13	12	10	12	10	7			• •		
Schefferville (P.Q.)	15	13	14	14	10	9	8	8	7 9	7 5	7 .	14 13	137 125	11 10
			1 8	LAN	ס מ	<b>5</b> 11 79		11 N B		_				
WEST COAST							WFU	עאט	LAN	U				
			-					•						
Daniel's Harbour	6	8	11 7	11	13	12	13	12	11	11	6	5	119	11-14
Stephenville	3	6 5 5	7	8	11	12	13	12	12	8	3		98	10
St. Georges	5	5	8	10	10 12	6	11	11	11	7	4	5	93	3-4
St. Andrews	3	5	9	9	12	12	13	12	12	9	5	3 5 3	104	16-18
RAST COAST														
Belle Isle	11	11	12	10	11	10	11	12	11	12	10	11	120	10.00
St. Anthony	12		11	10	11	10	14	14	13	11	10	11	132 139	1 <del>9</del> -20
Twillingate	9	12 9	10	11	11	13	17	14	15	13	9	10		14-15
Fogo	8	8	12	11	11	11	16	13	13.	12	7		141	10
Botwood	9	9	10	7	9	9	11	11	9	9	7	8	130	7-9
Bonavista	9	9	9	9	ģ	12	15	12	12	10	7	9 7	109 127	8-10
•		-	-	-	-		**		14	To	,	7	141	10

Table 29 (Cont'd)

	Jan.	Peb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Number of Years	
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON															
St. John's A	7	7	8	8	10	11	13	11	13	11	6	8	113	19	
Cape Race	10	10	12	10	11	10	11	11	13	12	8	9	127	18-20	
. Argentia	7	9	9	9	11	10	12	11	14	11	7	7	117	9-10	
Grand Bank	6	8	11	11	12	13	15	14	13	13	8	7	131	17-19	
Burgeo	13	10	12	11	10	11	10	12	14	13	7	10	133	7-8	
Port aux Basques	6	7	11	10	10	11	12	13	14	11	6	7	118	8-9	
INTERIOR															
Deer Lake	12	10	11	10	12	13 .	16	15	14	9	7	8	137	9-10	
Buchens	9	10	11	9	10	11	13	12	12	10	. 7	9	123	16-18	•
Gander	8	7	8	7	7	9	11	10	11	9	6	8	101	20	

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TABLE 30

MEAN NUMBER OF DAYS EACH MONTH WITH NO SUNSHINE

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	Number of years
					I	ABE	A D O	R						
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST			•											,
No Records														
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST						•								
Goose Bay	12	8	10	7	6	5	3	5	6	8	14	12	96	10-11
INTERIOR PLATEAU					•									•
Schefferville (P.Q.)	11	6	6	6	6	4	3	5	6	10	14	13	90	9-10
Churchill Falls	10	8	7	6	4	4	2	3	6	8	15	13	86	5-7
Border (P.Q.)	( 14)	9	8	8	5	7	4	8	5	10	16	16	110	5-7except Jan. 3
			1 1	SLAN	ID O	PNE	WFO	UNI	LAN	i D				
WEST COAST														
Daniel's Harbour	( 13)	9	8	5	7	10	6	4	5	9	14	16	106	3-5except Jan. 2
Stephenville	11	8	9	.8	7	7	4	4	5	7	11	17	98	5-7
EAST COAST											٠			
Gander St. John's		below)												
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON														
St. John's A	11	9	11	10	8	4	2	4	5	8	12	13	97	10-11
St. John's CDA Avondale	11	9	10	10	8	4	2	4	5	8	11	14	96	10-11
Colinet Peat Bog						6 7	3 6	4	5 6	. 9				9–10 7–10
Placentia	8	7	9	6	( 13)	10	7	8	4	į	11	11,	101	2-4 except May 1
Burgeo	10	10	10	9	10	10	10	9	6	8	11	13	116	67
INTERIOR		**						÷		•				•
Gander	10	8	11	10	6	6	3	4	5	8	. 11	13	95	10-11
					H A	RII	IME	S.						
Halifax	8	. 8	7	6	٠4	3	٨	4		7	10	10	76	•
Charlottetown	12	. 9	ģ	-8	6	4	4	4.	· 6	7 7	10 13	10 14	76 96	,
Fredericton	9	6	6	6	5	4	3	4	6	6	11	11	77	

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TABLE 31

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WIND-CHILL VALUES AND AVERAGE DEGREES OF COMFORT

Wind Chill (Kcal/m <sup>2</sup> /hr.)	Degree of Comfort
600	Considered as comfortable when dressed in wool underwear, socks, mitts, ski boots, ski headband, and thin cotton windbreaker suits, and while skiing over level snow at above 3 m.p.h. (Metabolic output about 200 Kcal/m²/hr.)
1000	Considered unpleasant for travel on foggy and over- cast days.
1200	Considered unpleasant for travel on clear sunlit days.
1400	Freezing of exposed human flesh begins, depending upon degree of activity, amount of solar radiation, character of skin, and circulation. Travel, or living in temporary shelter, becomes disagreeable.
2000	Travel, or living in temporary shelter, becomes dangerous. Exposed areas of flesh will freeze within less than 1 minute for the average individual.
2300	Exposed areas of flesh will freeze within less than $\frac{1}{2}$ minute for the average individual.

TABLE 32

MEAN WIND-CHILL VALUES AND ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE OF TIME WIND-CHILL VALUES ARE 1400 Kcal/m²/hr. OR GREATER

	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			1	
Station	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
LABRADOR					·
Hopedale	1300	1400	1380	1270	1160
	22%	30	30	20	12
Wabush Lake	1305	1450	1400	1220	1040
	23%	34	31	16	5
Goose Bay	1250	1360	1280	1150	950
	18%	26	21	11	2
Cartwright	1220	1320	1280	1200	1030
	16%	24	21	14	4
ISLAND OF NEWFOUNDLAND					
St. Anthony	1140	1250	1220	1120	980
	10%	18	16	8	3
Stephenville	980	1060	1080	980	840
	3%	6	7	3	< 1
Gander	1070	1170	1160	1070	930
	6%	11	11	6	1
St. John's A	1030	1120	1130	1070	950
	4%	8	9.	6	2

TABLE 33

PERCENTAGE OF TIME CEILING IS LESS THAN 1000 FEET AND/OR VISIBILITY LESS THAN 3 MILES

-														
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year	
Goose Bay	16	11	15	12	8	7	7	5	4	8	13	13	10	
Schefferville (P.Q.)	21	18	15	14	14	10	9	10	13	20	26	20	16	
St. John's A'	36	38	42	44	42	37	36	33	28	30	37	32	36	
Gander	33	32	36	37	32	27	21	22	18.	24	32	30	29	٠
Stephenville	20	20	15	12	11	12	13	9	, 7	7	8	17	13	

TABLE 34

# PERCENTAGE OF TIME CEILING IS LESS THAN 500 FEET AND/OR VISIBILITY LESS THAN 1 MILE

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec .	Year	•
Goose Bay	4	4	5	4	. 3	2	2	2	2	3	5	4	3	:
Schefferville (P.Q.)	5	6	5	4	4	3	3	3	4	6	8	7	5	:
St. John's A	23	24	27	31	32	27	25	20	16	18	23	18	24	•
Gander	18	17	19	20	19	15	10	10	8	12	16	14	15	
Stephenville	7	8	5	4	5	· 6	7	4	<b>2</b> .	. 3	3	6	5	

#### TABLE 35

## PERCENTAGE OF TIME CEILING IS LESS THAN 200 FEET AND/ORVISIBILITY LESS THAN 2 MILE

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Ju1.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
Goose Bay	1	1	1	1	1.	*	*	*	*	1	1	1	1
Schefferville (P.Q.)	2	2	. 1	1	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	2	1
St. John's A	10	11	13	15	16	12	10	7	5	6	8	6	10
Gander	5	6	6	6	6	5	3	3	2	3	5	3	4
Stephenville	3	3	1	1.	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2

TABLE 36

MEAN MONTHLY PERCENTAGE OF TIME WITH BLOWING SNOW

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Number of Years
•					L	A B R	A D O	R					
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)	9.2	6.8	4.8	3.3	0.7	0.1				1.7	2.9	7.1	1957-66
Schefferville (P.Q.)	9.2	7.6	3.7	2.3	0.9			0.1	0.2	1.5	4.9	7.2	1957-66
Goose Bay	3.8	2.4	3.1	1.5	0.4					0.5	1.0	2.5	1957-66
·			I S	L A N	D 0 1	FNE	W F O	U N D	L A N	D.			
Daniel's Harbour	9.9	10.0	4.3	1.1	0.2						0.1	4.9	1966-72
St. John's A	6.4	7.8	6.4	1.8	0.4					*	0.2	3.8	1957-66
Argentia	6.3	6.7	4.3	0.8							0.1	4.1	1953-70
Gander	8.1	7.6	6.5	2.3	0.1						0.3	3.9	1957-66
					M A	ARIT	IME	s					
Halifax	2.6	3.2	1.9	0.3							0.1	1.9	f
Charlottetown	4.8	4.7	4.7	1.5	0.2							3.6	
Fredericton	1.4	1.5	1.2	*							*	1.3	
Moncton	3.0	3.9	5.0	1.3							*	2.5	•

<sup>\*</sup> less than 4 occurrences in 10 years

TABLE 37

MEAN NUMBER OF HOURS WITH THUNDERSTORMS BY MONTH

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Мау	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
•			1	AB	RAD	O R							
Fort Chimo (P.Q.)					0.1	1.3	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.1			2.8
Schefferville (P.Q.)						1.1	2.2	0.5	0.5	•			4.3
Goose Bay					0.2	1.3	3.5	1.4	0.1	0.2			6.7
		1	I S L A	A N D	0 F	NEW	F O U	N D L	A N D				
Daniel's Harbour					0.6	2.6	5.9	5.4	0.6	0.1			15.2
Stephenville				0.1	0.1	1.1	2.3	2.5	0.3	0.2	•		6.6
St. John's A					0.1	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.7	0.2	0.4		4.1
Argent1a	0.1			2.4	0.7	1.1	1.3	1.8	0.8	0.2	0.5	0.1	9.0
Gander						1.0	1.4	0.7	0.3	0.2			3.6
			1	MAR	1 <b>T</b> I	MES							
Fredericton		0.1		0.1	2.3	5.5	7.1	5.6	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	22.4
Halifax	0.1	0.3		0.3	. 0.8	2.4	2.6	2.4	0.3	0.7	0.2		10.1
Sydney				0.2	0.5	1.9	2.3	2.1	0.3	0.2	0.2		7.7

TABLE 38

MEAN DATES OF FREEZE-UP AND BREAK-UP OF LAKES, BAYS AND RIVERS

Station	Lake, bay or river	First permanent ice	Complete freeze-over	dete	rst rior- ion	f. f	letely ree ice
NORTHERN HALF OF COAST	LABR	A D O R					
Hopedale Cape Harrison	Hopedale Harbour(s)* Labrador Sea(s)	Dec. 8 Nov. 10	Dec. 21	May May	20 20	Jun. Jun.	
SOUTHERN HALF OF COAST							
Cartwright	Cartwright Harbour (s)*	Dec. 18	Dec. 27	May	6	May	19
Goose	Churchill River	Nov. 12	Nov. 28	May	7	May	20
	Goose Bay*	Nov. 20	Nov. 26	May	4	May	24
	Goose River	Nov. 8	Nov. 17	May	4	May	15
	Terrington Basin	Nov. 3	Nov. 15	May	9	May	24
NTERIOR PLATEAU							
Border (P.Q.)	"Lake"*	Oct. 20	Nov. 15	May	27	Jun.	16
Schefferville (P.Q)	Knob Lake	Oct. 21	Oct. 28	May	22	Jun.	
Churchill Falls	Mount Hyde Lake*	Oct. 18	Oct. 23	May	21	Bun.	
(Near Churchill Falls)	Sona Lake*	Nov. 6	Nov. 7	May	23	May	30
Wabush Lake	Wabush Lake*	Oct. 25	Oct. 26	May	15	Jun.	5
	Little Wabush Lake*	Oct. 22	Oct. 27	May	22	Jun.	4
Lake Eon (P.Q.)	Lake Eon.	Oct. 31	Nov. 8	May	18	Jun.	10

Table 38 (Cont'd)

Chantan	Taka kan an nduan	First permanent	Complete	First deterior- ation	Completely free of ice
Station	Lake, bay or river	ice	freeze-over	acion	01 100
	ISLAND OF N	IEWFOUND	N T A N D		
WEST COAST	ISLAND OF N		LAND		
<del></del>	"Lake"	D 1	Dos. 12	A 20	Mav 2
Daniel's Harbour		Dec. 1	Dec. 13 Dec. 10	Apr. 29	May 2
Corner Brook	Humber Arm(s)*	T 6		Mar. 20	Ann 17
Stephenville	Stephenville Pond(s)*	Jan. 6	_		Apr. 17
St. Andrews	Little Codroy River	Dec. 13	Jan. 7	Apr. 2	Apr. 9
EAST COÁST		•			•
TIBLE CORREST	•				
COUPLI COACT AND AVALON					
SOUTH COAST AND AVALON	•	•			
St. Alban's	Bay d'Espoir(s)*	Nov. 3	Jan. 4	Mar. 8	Mar. 24
			•		
INTERIOR					
Botwood	Botwood Harbour(s)*	Dec. 8	Jan. 10	Apr. 7	May 6
Gander	Deadman's Pond	Dec. 1	Dec. 8	Apr. 29	May 9
Buchans	Red Indian Lake	Dec. 29	Jan. 21	Apr. 23	May 9

<sup>(</sup>s) salt water

<sup>\* 1-5</sup> years of data

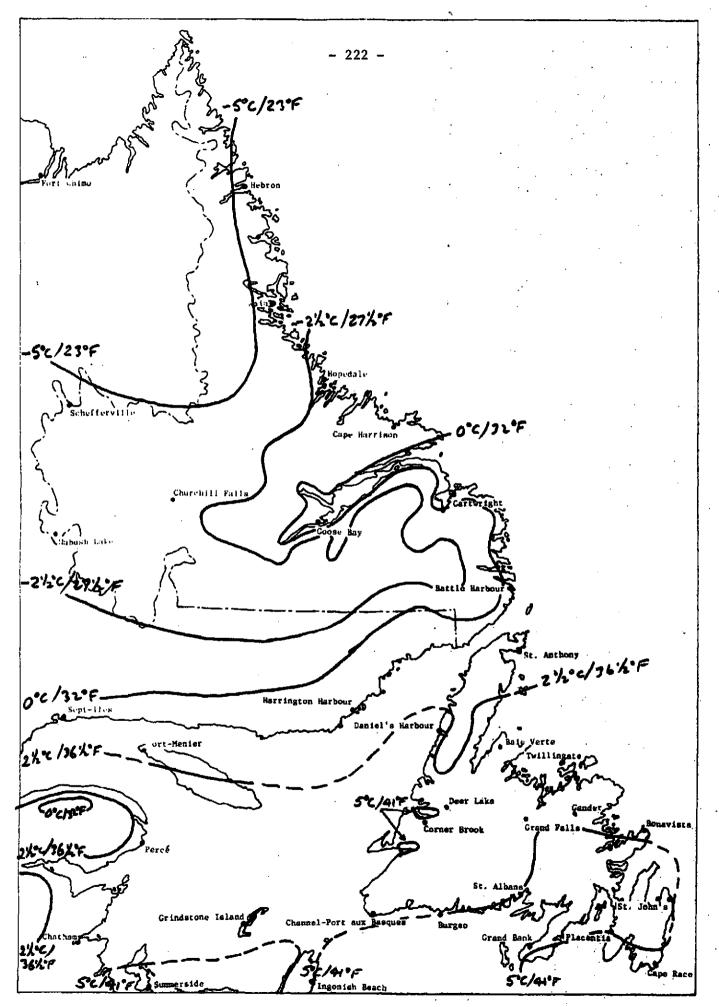


FIG. 110 MEAN ANNUAL TEMPERATURE

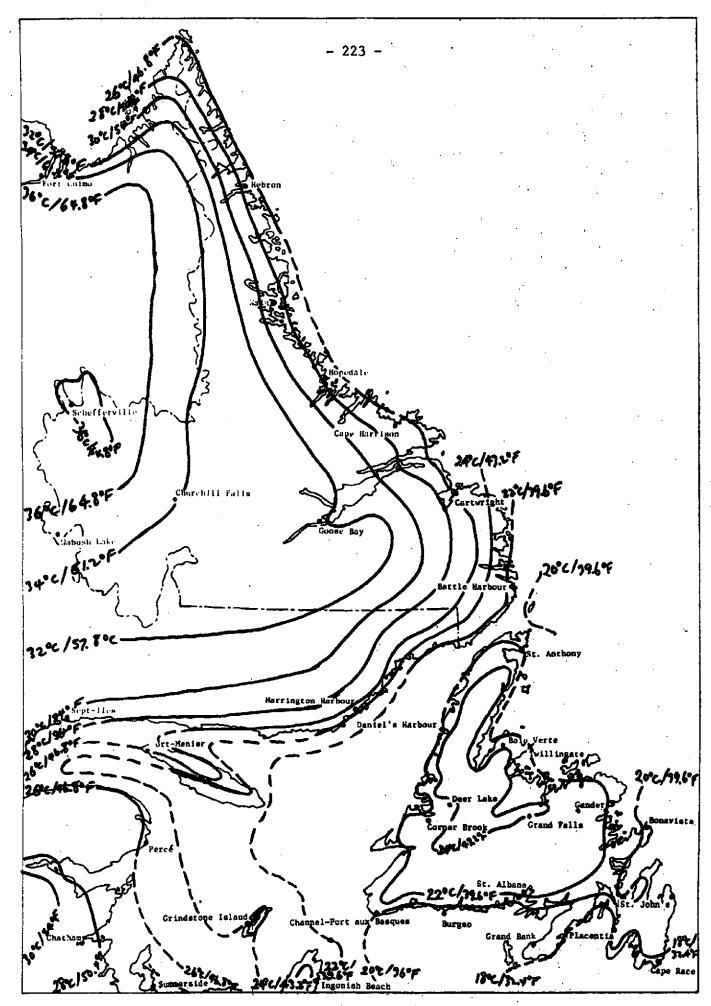


FIG. 111 MEAN ANNUAL RANGE

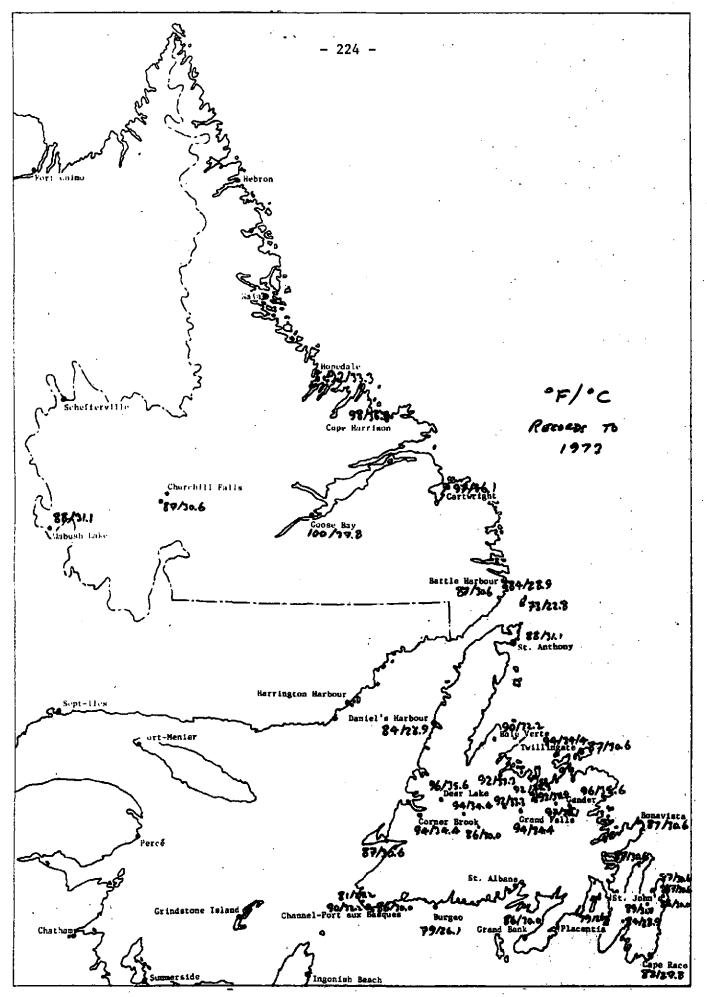


FIG. 112 EXTREME ANNUAL MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE

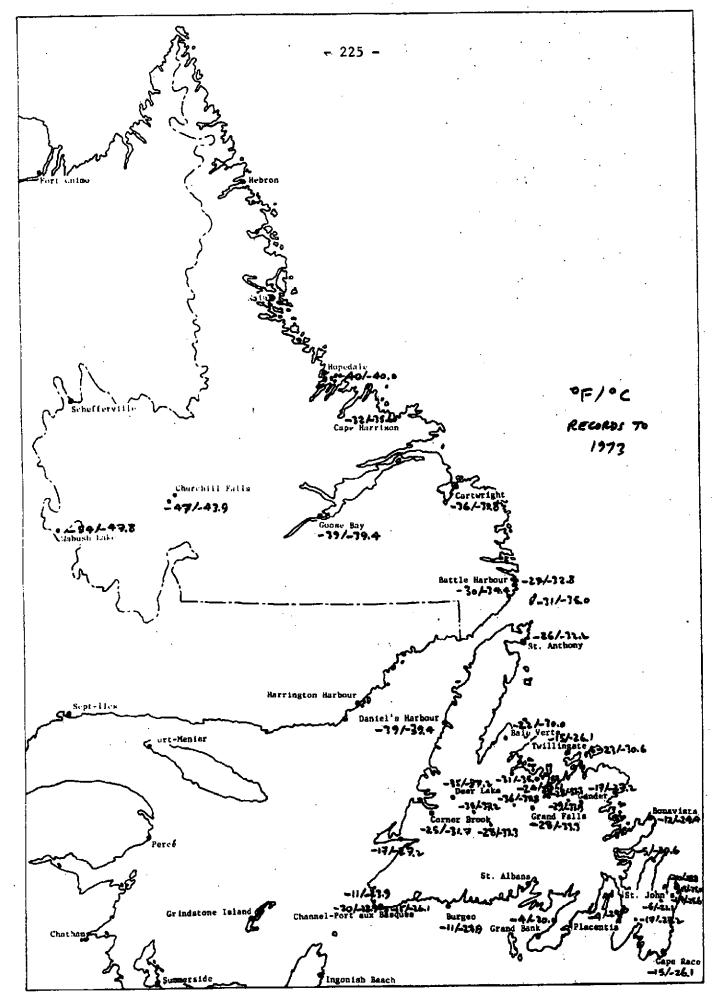


FIG. 113 EXTREME ANNUAL MINIMUM TEMPERATURE

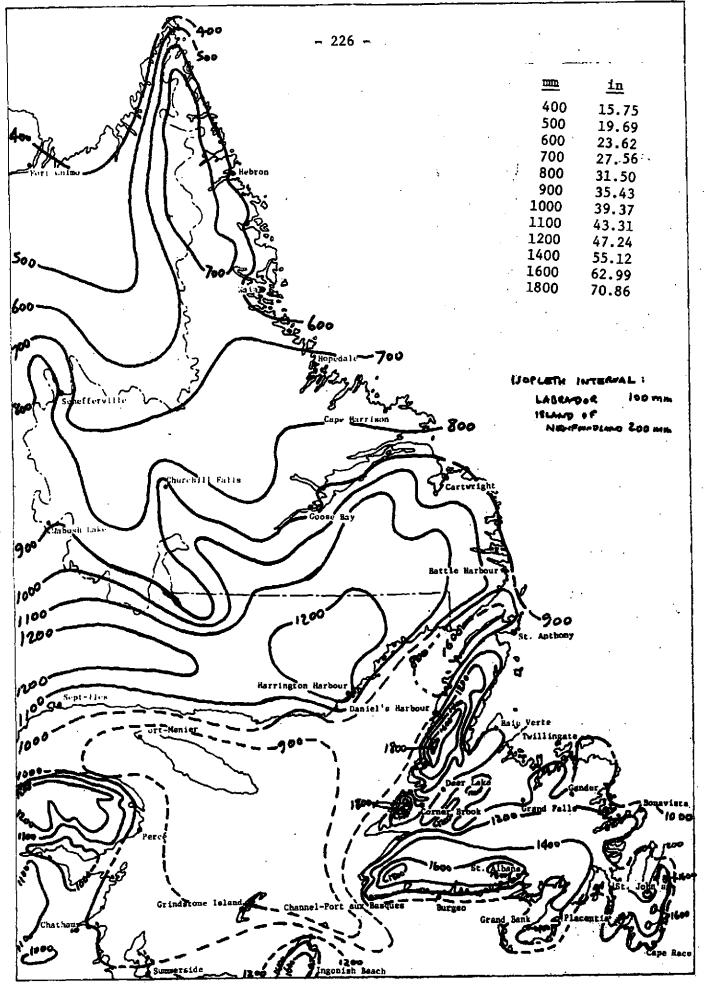


FIG. 114 MEAN TOTAL ANNUAL PRECIPITATION

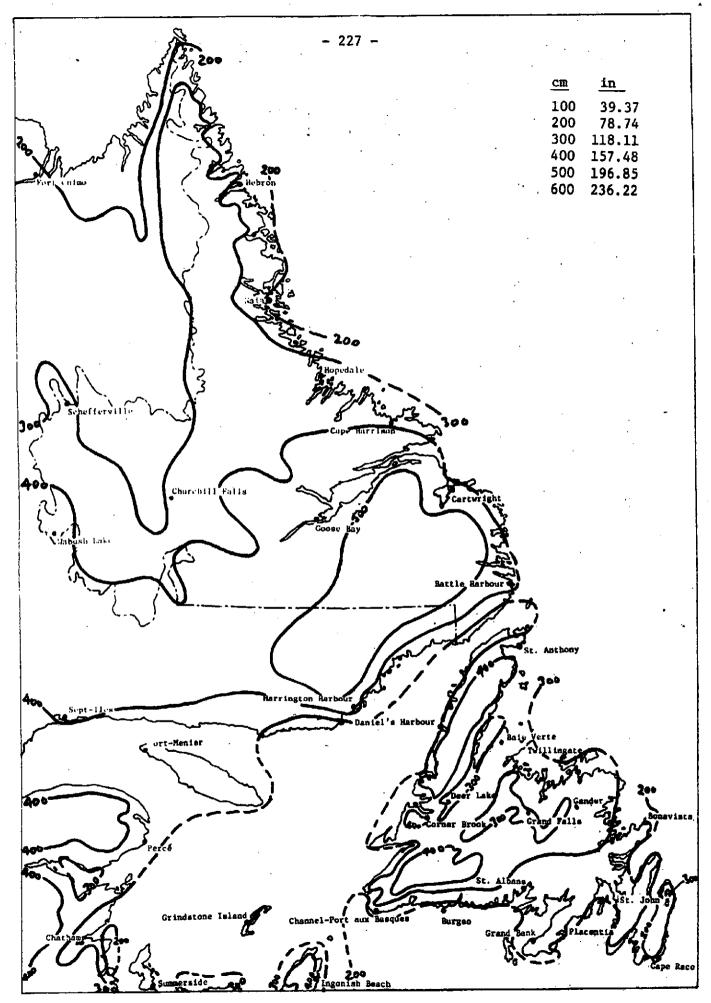


FIG. 115 MEAN TOTAL ANNUAL SNOWFALL

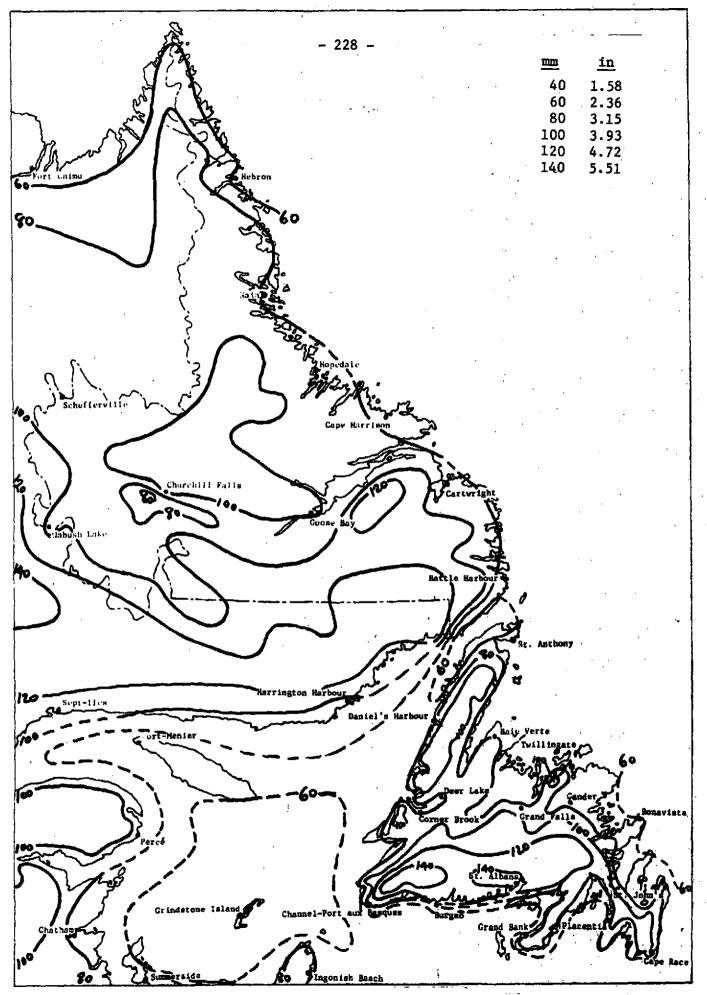


FIG. 116 MEAN JULY TOTAL PRECIPITATION (MM)

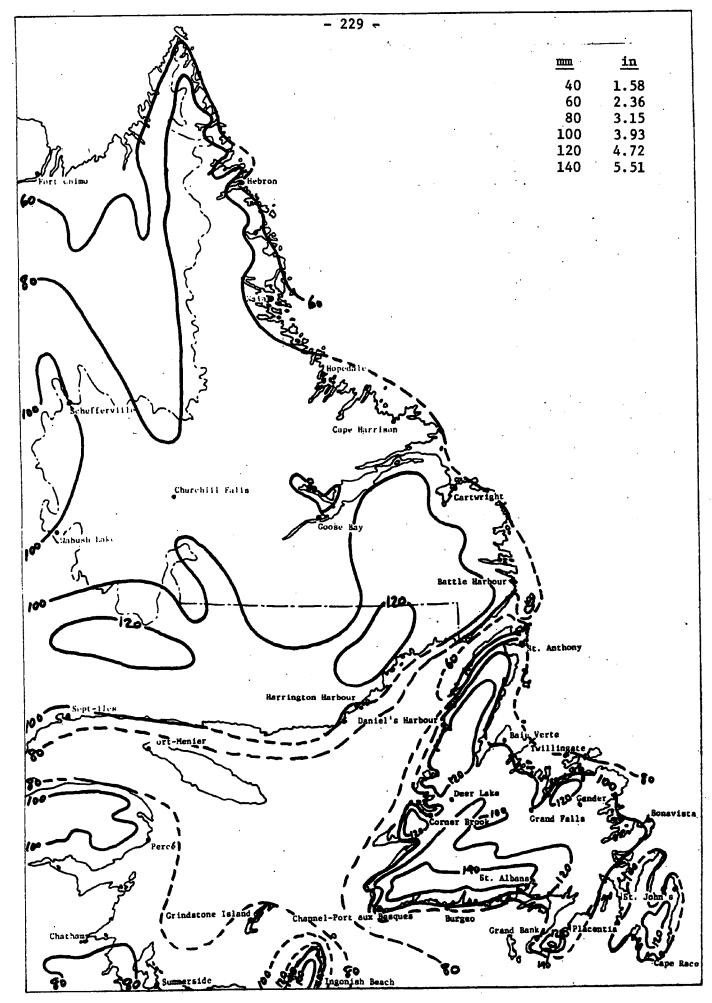


FIG. 117 MEAN AUGUST TOTAL PRECIPITATION

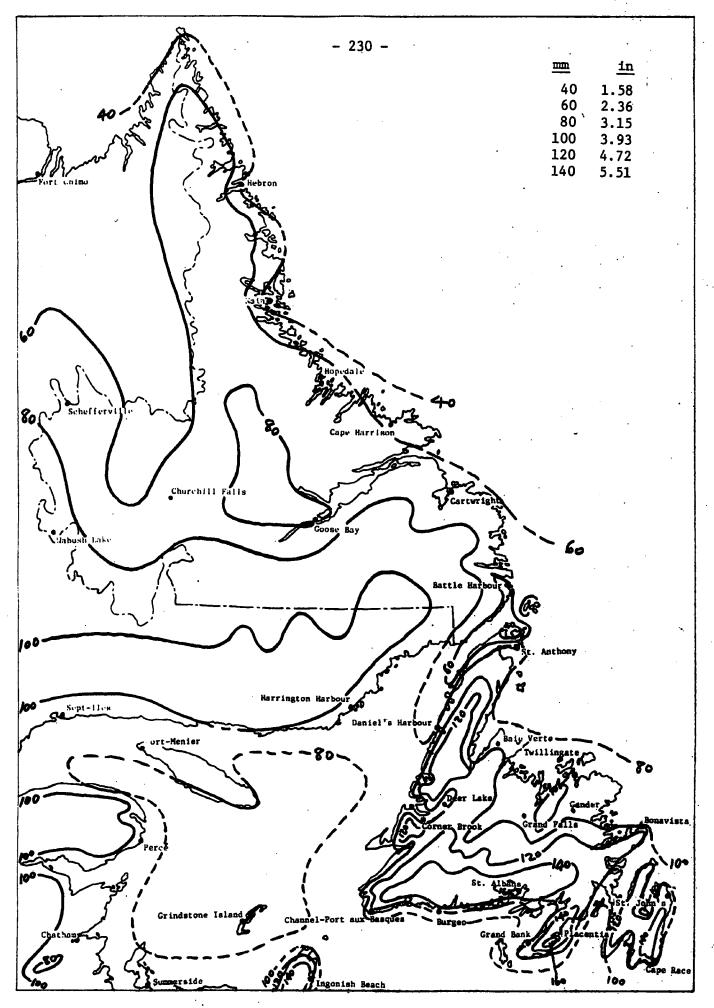


FIG. 118 MEAN OCTOBER TOTAL PRECIPITATION

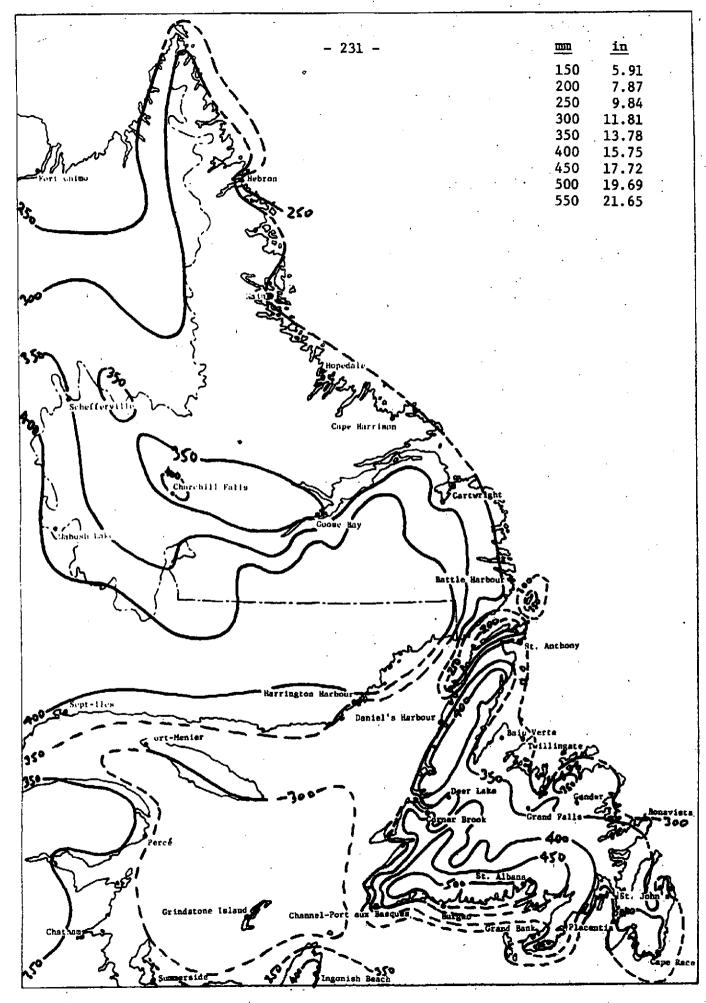


FIG. 119 MEAN JUNE TO SEPTEMBER TOTAL PRECIPITATION

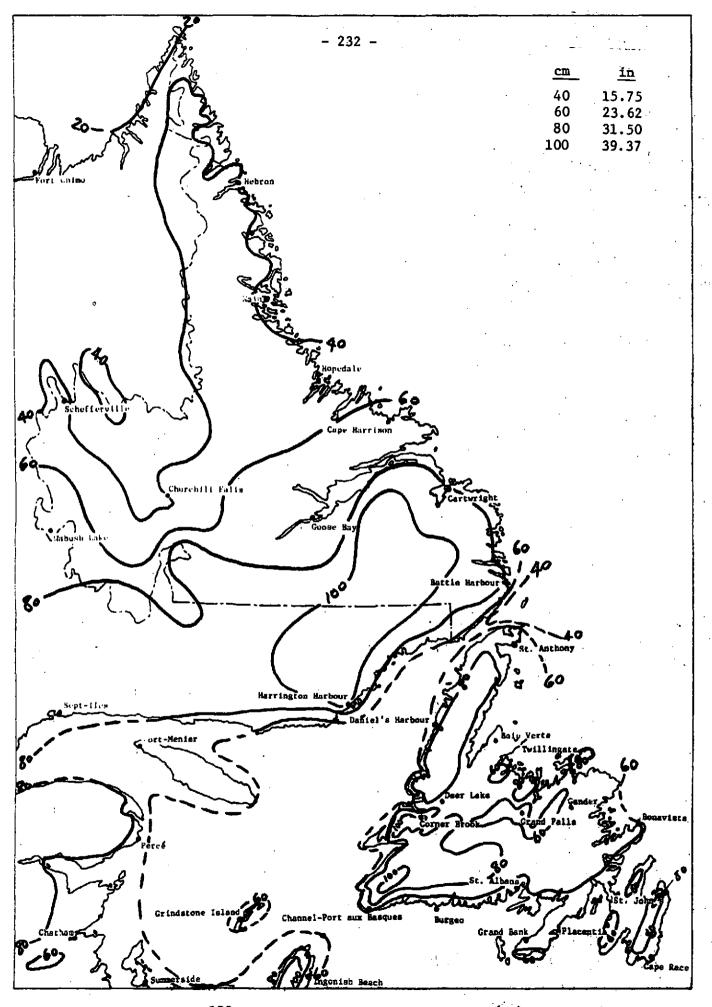
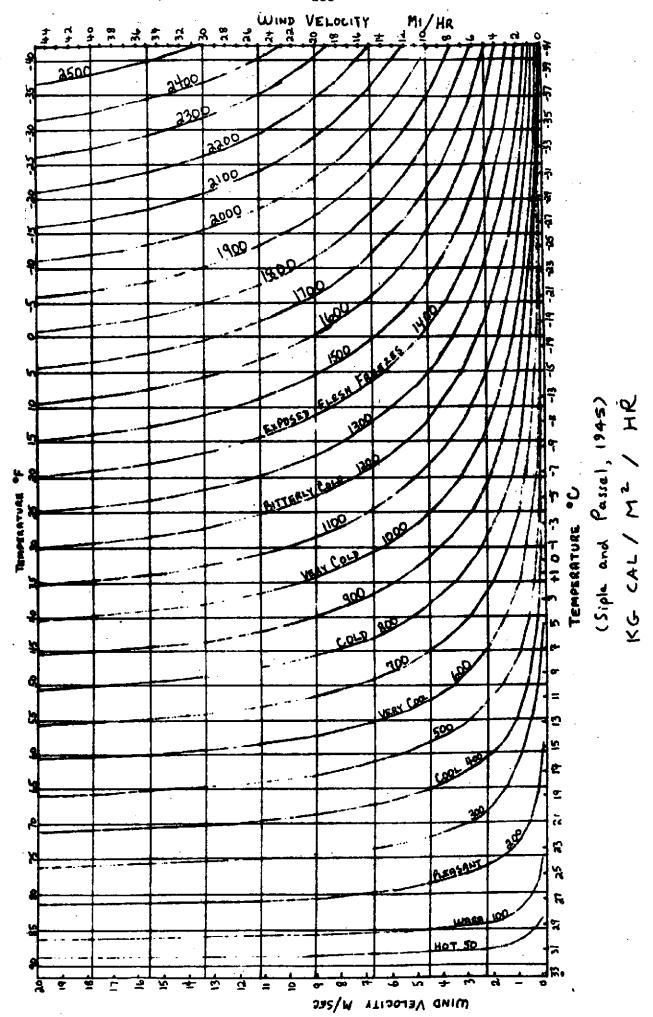


FIG. 120 MEAN JANUARY SNOWFALL



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FIG. 122 MEAN JANUARY WIND CHILL



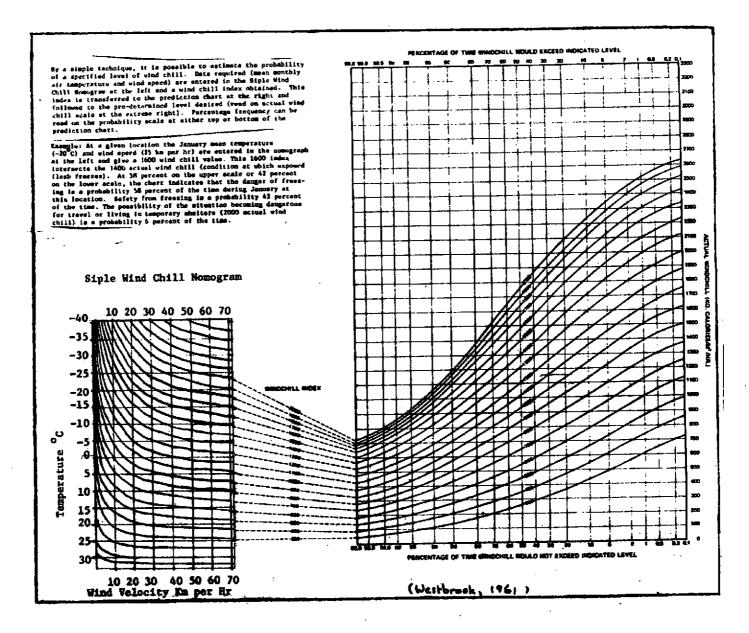


FIG. 123 WIND CHILL PREDICTION CHART

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