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ABSTRACT

This paper gives an account of the development of a formal wildlife management policy for Red Kangaroos in Western Australia, and documents the pattern of continued exploitation of this kangaroo in Western Australia under cover of the management programme to the end of 1979.

Commercial exploitation of the State's rangeland Red Kangaroo populations continued throughout the 1970-1979 decade, and remains the major feature of the management programme. The programme itself aims at maintenance of widespread viable Red Kangaroo populations throughout the species' range while permitting control of the numbers of kangaroos on the pastoral rangelands in accord with the need for sound rangeland management.

Commercial exploitation fell from a short-term average harvest level of near 300 000 carcasses per annum in 1970 to < 150 000 carcasses per annum by the end of 1979, and it is thought that the Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia were then at their lowest point for some considerable time (probably in excess of 15-20 years). The pattern of exploitation occurring during the 1970-1979 decade has however been shown to be consistent with the harvest pattern sustained during the previous 70-80 years.

The observed changes in the harvest levels and the apparent changes in stock abundance which occurred during the 1970-1979 decade primarily reflect changes in environmental productivity mediated by changing rainfall patterns and their consequent effects on stock recruitment and the subsequently available harvests.

The Red Kangaroo Management Programme that has been in force in Western Australia since 1971 has a demonstrated capacity to effectively direct and, if necessary, constrain the pattern of harvest of the rangeland kangaroo stocks, and thus contributes to necessary regulation of rangeland grazing pressure while conserving the nucleus of this important sector of the State's Red Kangaroo population. The coincidence of the major concentrations of kangaroos with the better quality pastoral lands and the concentration of hunting activity in these areas of continuing land-use conflict ensures that the programme will remain relevant to future management of the Red Kangaroo in Western Australia.

Monitoring of the harvest distribution and its impact on local kangaroo populations using the data gathered via the detailed shooter's returns does reflect the changing status and productivity of the exploited kangaroo stocks and is still the most effective routine monitoring method available for use in Western Australia. Intermittent aerial census of the stocks can however make a useful contribution to management decisions and should therefore be utilized on this account in the future, but annual census is not necessary. Aerial census at intervals of 3 - 5 or 6 years will provide adequate back-up for the routine harvest monitoring incorporated within the present Management Programme.

The apparently critical factors, that is, a relatively low but usually profitable real market price for kangaroos, coupled with the usual pattern of widely dispersed and generally intermittent hunting of the different local kangaroo populations, that have apparently contributed so far to the fine balance achieved between average annual productivity and commercial exploitation of the pastoral rangeland stocks of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia have been identified.

I INTRODUCTION

Following the amendment of the Fauna Conservation Act in 1969, the next action in the process leading to establishment of formal supervision of exploitation and management of Red Kangaroos (*Macropus rufus*; see Kirsch and Calaby 1977) in Western Australia by the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife (formerly Fisheries and Fauna) was taken during April 1970. By notice published in the Government Gazette of April 17, 1970, and simultaneous press releases throughout Australia, the Western Australian Government advised

interested parties of requirements for licensing for further participation in the State's kangaroo trade, and the criteria to be used in determining eligibility for the issue of licenses. Meanwhile, the existing trade continued operations in accordance with the Regulations published on June 13, 1952, pursuant to the Fauna Protection Act, 1950, and further information was sought from persons then operating within the kangaroo trade, so as to determine their eligibility for future issue of necessary licenses.

This action by the Western Australian Government during 1970 followed the onset of a severe drought in the pastoral areas of the State in 1969, and coincident heavy exploitation of the Red Kangaroo commencing in 1969 and continuing into 1970 (see II C. and Table 1). Knowledge of strong public concern regarding the impact of uncontrolled commercial exploitation of these kangaroos and the possibility of mass transfers of kangaroo trade operations from eastern Australia into Western Australia at this time provided the further incentive for reassessment of the role of the State fauna authority in regulating the activities of the kangaroo trade in Western Australia.

The preliminary action restricting the available shooting effort then involved in the State's kangaroo trade became effective from the beginning of August 1970, and publication of new Regulations pursuant to the Fauna Conservation Act, 1950-1969 on November 18, 1970 permitted the final action necessary for full implementation of the formal Management Programme to be taken.

The management controls which became effective from February 7, 1971 were based on an investigation into the scope and structure of the State's kangaroo trade, while the initial harvest limit that was set was based on a preliminary assessment of the annual average Red Kangaroo harvest that could be produced by the kangaroo stocks that could then reasonably be expected to be present on pastoral rangelands in the State. No more reliable population statistics were available. The management controls were also backed-up by a harvest monitoring system based on detailed returns from shooters. These returns provided data on the numbers of kangaroos taken, their sex and average

weight, the distribution of the hunting activities, and an index of the effort actually expended in hunting.

Commercial harvesting of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia continued through the 1970-1979 decade, but the annual harvests taken varied during this period, and the immediate prospects for future harvests at the end of 1979 were less favourable than in 1970. The observed changes in annual harvests and the changed status of the exploited kangaroo stocks in 1979 were essentially reflections of changes in rangeland productivity and the abundance of kangaroos. Changing rainfall patterns were the primary determinant of these changes. The 1970-1979 decade was however a time of change in the marketing of kangaroo products. The most important of the changes affecting the kangaroo trade in Western Australia was the closure in 1973 of the American market for kangaroo skins.

In this paper I provide a brief review of the position of the kangaroo trade and its role in exploitation of kangaroos in Western Australia in the late 1960s, and the development and operation of a management programme for the State's Red Kangaroos during the decade 1970-1979. Detailed summaries of harvest data compiled from shooter's harvest returns are presented and changes in patterns discussed. The observed patterns of variation in the harvest rate (catch/effort = C/f) indices calculated from the harvest data are analysed in terms of changes in rangeland productivity and the process of commercial exploitation as determined by changing rainfall patterns, and their relationship to past patterns of exploitation and continuing management supervision is also discussed.

II BACKGROUND

A. THE RED KANGAROO

The Red Kangaroo is widely distributed throughout the arid and semi-arid interior of Australia, but the main populations are concentrated on the better quality rangelands that are occupied by the pastoral industry. Its dietary preference is for the more nutritious components of the rangeland pastures. A semi-nomadic behaviour pattern admirably fits the species to exploit the locally changing patterns of plant production, but also heightens the perceived conflict with the pastoral industry. Because the rangelands have only a limited capacity to support grazing stock, management is needed to resolve the land-use conflict and so allow the continued coexistence of these kangaroos and domestic livestock. Formal kangaroo management programmes similar to that operating in Western Australia are aimed at alleviating problems arising from this conflict.

Comprehensive details of the biology and ecology of Red Kangaroos relevant to management of the rangeland kangaroo populations can be found in the reviews by Frith and Calaby (1969) and Newsome (1971, 1975, 1977). The important features of the life history and reproductive capacity of the Red Kangaroo which have a bearing on exploitation-based management are nevertheless summarized below for convenience.

Female Red Kangaroos can reach sexual maturity at 18 months to 2 years of age and are capable of continuous breeding, but first reproduction is commonly retarded in the wild, and the pattern of extended and recurrent droughts expected in the arid to semi-arid environment they inhabit in inland Australia also generally leads to intermittent recruitment in all but the most favourable circumstances. Thus, while it is theoretically possible for a healthy adult female Red Kangaroo to produce three young every two and a half years, the average productivity of field populations is likely to be much lower. Exploitation-based management of the rangeland Red Kangaroo populations must take this factor into account if harvesting is to be sustained.

B. THE KANGAROO INDUSTRY IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA IN THE 1960s

Commercial exploitation of the kangaroos and wallabies in Western Australia prior to 1970 has been reviewed by Prince (1984); but exploitation during this earlier period was based solely on an export trade in dry skins, and existing overseas markets for skins collapsed in 1953. The dry skin trade did not recover subsequently, and the kangaroo industry changed direction in the mid-1950s. At this time the Western Australian

kangaroo industry shifted emphasis to trade in kangaroo meat, initially towards export of processed and fresh game-meat for human consumption, and later to local usage for pet-food.

Large numbers of fresh skins from the carcasses used by pet-meat processors were discarded as waste at first, but with renewed trade interest in kangaroo skins in the 1960s and changes in the handling methods being adopted by local skin buyers, this waste of skins had practically ceased by 1969. Only small numbers of dry skins were then being forwarded to Western Australian buyers, and the fresh skins from locally processed kangaroo carcasses comprised the bulk of the skin trade. The meat produced was sold mainly as pet-food, due to the earlier loss of the main game-meat export markets as a consequence of poor hygiene in carcase handling and lack of adequate product quality control. In addition to meeting the requirements of the local pet-food market, large quantities of pet-meat were also being exported to interstate and overseas markets in 1969.

Thus, the kangaroo trade existing in Western Australia at the beginning of 1970 was continuing the previously established pattern of commercial exploitation of the State's kangaroos, with the major segment being export orientated (see Prince 1984). Red Kangaroos provided the majority of the carcasses then being utilized, and the kangaroo industry itself had been reorganized to cater for full utilization of all carcasses taken. The kangaroo industry also continued to exert the major external source of pressure on the numbers of rangeland kangaroos.

C. DEVELOPMENT OF THE FORMAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME FOR RED KANGAROOS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Amendments made to the Fauna Protection Act, 1950 during 1967 paved the way for the further involvement of the then Department of Fisheries and Fauna (now Fisheries and Wildlife) in control of management and exploitation of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia, but it was the rapid expansion of the State's kangaroo trade in 1969 that sparked the major change. Prior to this point the jurisdiction of the Department was restricted to partial control over the exploitation of the Western Grey Kangaroo (Prince 1984, Section III B.).

My investigations into the scope and structure of the Western Australian kangaroo trade during the period March 1969 to early 1970 showed that the trade was dependent largely on exploitation of the Red Kangaroo, and that its operations were essentially organized into four functional levels, i.e. shooters, chiller operators, carcase buyers and processors, and skin buyers and traders. The important contribution being made by full-time professional shooters to the overall harvest effort was apparent, although there were also numerous itinerant shooters. I also noted a rapid expansion of the total monthly harvests being taken through 1969, and the total State harvest taken rose to c. 400 000 Red Kangaroos during this year.

The acknowledged interdependence of the Red Kangaroos and the pastoral industry on maintenance of the productive capacity of the rangeland pastures, the need for grazing management in this situation, and the effective and economically beneficial contribution of the commercial kangaroo trade in controlling kangaroo numbers on rangelands pointed to the desirability of a formal programme for supervision of Red Kangaroo management being based on these points. The required controls would therefore have to be adapted to fit in with the structural organization of the kangaroo trade.

Thus, the formal Red Kangaroo Management Programme devised for Western Australia was founded on the principle that the kangaroos constituted a living natural resource and a problem in land management, as well as being unique fauna, and that resolution of this conflict could best be achieved by management to ensure perpetuation of the species, coupled with local population control based on the continued harvesting of a commercial crop by professional shooters. Similar bases for management of kangaroo populations were endorsed by the Australian Conservation Foundation in a paper first published in 1967, and reprinted with an additional supplement early in 1970 (Anon. 1967, 1970). Final decisions on the proposed Western Australian Red Kangaroo Management Programme were being made at this point.

The action foreshadowed by the April 1970 notice was progressively implemented from August 1970. Overall control over the total commercial Red Kangaroo harvests taken in Western Australia since February 1971 has been effected by limiting the numbers of current shooter's licenses on issue and placing further limits on the maximum allowable annual harvests. General policy is implemented in the field via statutory requirements for self-locking, numbered, royalty tags to be affixed to carcasses at the time of taking, backed-up by:

- i) further constraints placed on the activities that may be carried out by (a) the different licensees, and (b) on the different classes of premises involved in the trade;
- ii) restrictions on the location of chiller units; and
- iii) requirements for detailed returns documenting the activities of licensees (see Regulations), augmented by ongoing surveillance by enforcement staff (Wildlife Officers).

Shooters' returns also provide basic research data on hunting areas, harvest composition, and shooting effort (see IV B., IV C.).

Details of the proposed Management Programme were also discussed and defended before the House of Representatives Select Committee on Wildlife Conservation at a public hearing in Perth on June 4, 1970. The recommendations published by this Committee on conclusion of their enquiries were consistent with the programme adopted in Western Australia (Australia. Parliament. 1971).

The relationship between the general functional organization of the Western Australian kangaroo trade and the system of regulatory controls imposed from 1971 onwards is shown in Figure 1.

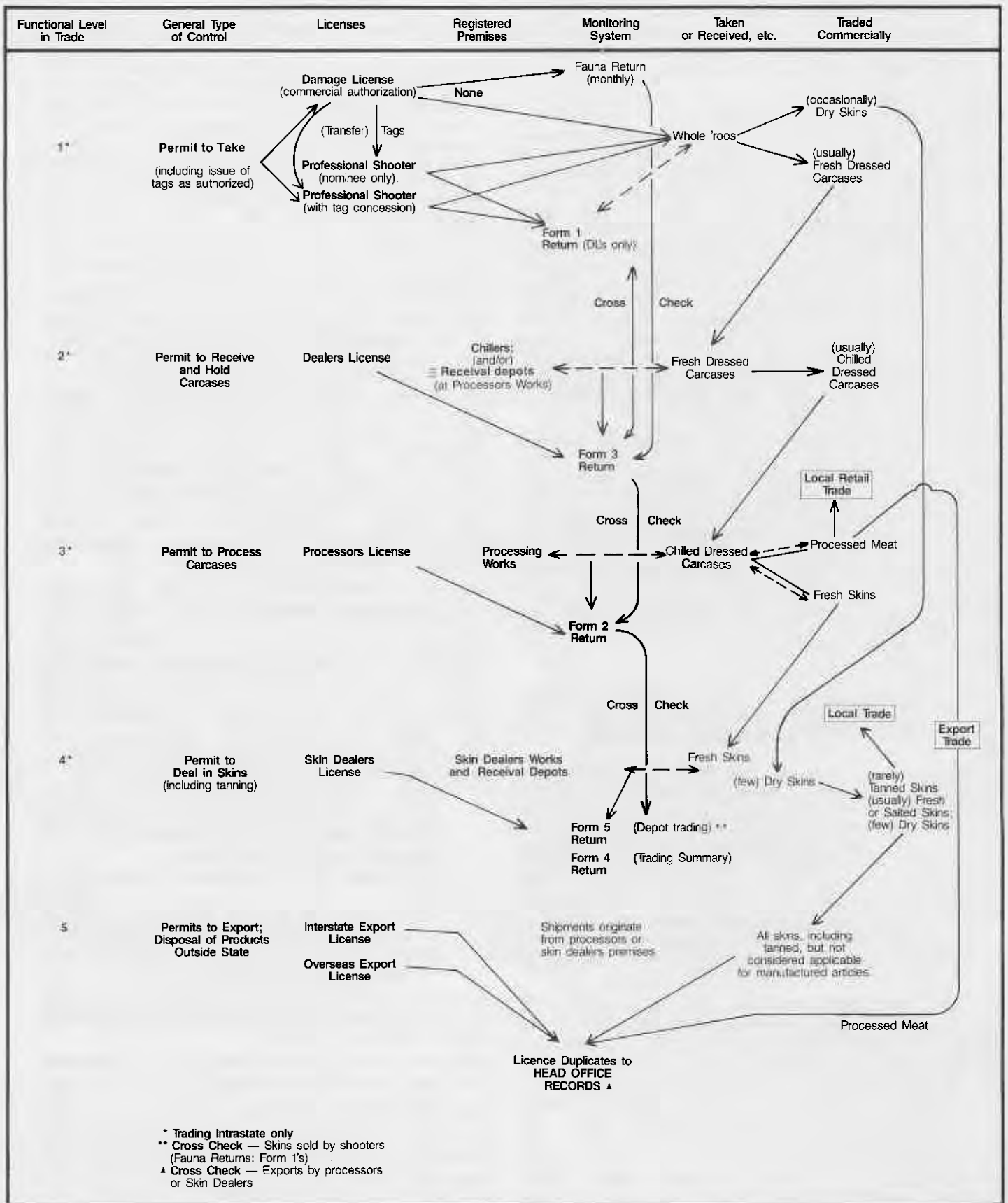


Figure 1. Diagram showing the relationship between functional organization of the Western Australian Kangaroo trade and the imposed system of regulatory controls.

III OPERATION OF THE STATE RED KANGAROO MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979

A. INTRODUCTION

The formal Red Kangaroo Management Programme being developed and adopted in 1970-71 was considered an ecologically sound and practical approach to management of the State's Red Kangaroo populations. This programme was based on the concept of sustained yield (SY) harvesting of the pastoral rangeland stocks of Red Kangaroos by a commercially viable kangaroo industry, and general protection of the kangaroos living outside the pastoral rangelands. It was considered that this approach would allow the continuation of the economically productive kangaroo trade which would at the same time perform the useful service role of constraining the numbers of Red Kangaroos in the pastoral areas, and hence contribute to management of total grazing pressure without jeopardizing essential wildlife conservation needs.

There was good reason to believe that the existing Red Kangaroo stocks were under some pressure in 1970, but the species was still abundant. The objective of management at that point was therefore to constrain the activities of the kangaroo industry so as to eliminate the possibility of excessive exploitation and to encourage future stability within the industry.

B. OPERATION OF THE PROGRAMME

Restriction of the potential harvest effort, backed up by a biologically realistic maximum harvest limit was seen to provide a good starting point for the formal management of the exploited Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia in accordance with the general objectives stated above.

For the first year of operation of the Management Programme in 1971, fifty-seven professional shooters licenses were allotted and an interim harvest limit of 225 000 Red Kangaroos was adopted, with a limit of just over 200 000 of these kangaroos being directly allocated to the professional shooters. The number of Red Kangaroos taken during the first twelve months from February 7, 1971 to February 6, 1972 was approximately 173 000 (see Table 1).

Management during 1971 was primarily a holding operation. From this point annual maximum harvest limits were set using a tracking strategy (Caughley 1977, p. 197), with decisions being founded on an assessment of the current status of the exploited kangaroo stocks and further consideration of needs for rangeland grazing management.

The year to year changes in the maximum harvest limits, etc. from 1971 through 1979 are listed in Table 1. The notable features relative to the 1971-1979 harvest data are:

- i) the slight increase in the harvest taken in 1972 relative to 1971;
- ii) the comparatively low annual harvests taken during 1973, 1974 and 1975;

- iii) the further elevated annual average harvest levels generally sustained from 1976 through 1979; and

- iv) the increase in the numbers of shooter's licenses issued in 1979.

The observed change in actual harvest levels attained in 1971 and 1972 can be related to renewal of drought in 1972 relative to the rainfall in 1971, but it should be noted that the 1972 harvest was held well below that taken in 1970 when the Management Programme had not been fully implemented and rainfall was marginally better than that received in 1972.

Marketing of Western Australian kangaroo products was affected from the beginning of 1973, firstly by the announced intention of the United States Federal Government to bar further access of kangaroo skins and skin products to the formerly lucrative US market in accordance with the provisions of their Endangered Species Conservation Act of 1969, and then implementation of this decision. The Australian Federal Government also took complementary action by barring further exports of kangaroo products from Australia at this point (see Poole 1978). Even so, the observed changes in the annual Red Kangaroo harvests taken within Western Australia from 1973 through 1979 can readily be related in the main to changing rainfall patterns in the field and the expected impact of these changes on environmental productivity and the real need for regulation of rangeland grazing pressure. These factors also exert a direct influence on the kangaroo stocks and their pattern of exploitation.

Thus, uncertainty generated within the Western Australian kangaroo industry in early 1973 by the proposed trade bans was responsible for reduced monthly Red Kangaroo harvests being taken in February and March 1973, and this harvest trend continued in the following months (see Appendix II). However, heavy rains fell throughout the pastoral areas of the State during winter 1973, dispersing the kangaroo populations in all areas, and severely limiting the mobility of shooters. In formerly drought affected areas such as the Leonora district (Leonora-Eastern Goldfields Management Area, Fig. 4) this dispersal of the remaining kangaroos was sufficient to effectively bring commercial shooting to a halt. Elsewhere in the State, shooting success was reduced to a relatively low level. These factors alone would have been capable of inducing a substantial reduction in the total harvest.

Continued, reduced hunting pressure on the depleted and dispersed Red Kangaroo stocks through 1974 was considered desirable in terms of the management objectives, and was achieved. A further relatively low harvest target was also adopted as an interim measure at the beginning of 1975, so that allocations to professional shooters could be advised. The final decision on the formal harvest limit for the year was deferred at this point, pending a proposed review of the status of the exploited stocks later in the year, or some

Table 1.

Statistical Summary - Red Kangaroo Harvesting in Western Australia : 1970-1979.

Year	Maximum Harvest Limit(s) ¹	Harvest Allotment ²	Number of Shooter Licensees	Actual Harvest	Annual Rainfall Index ³
1970	NA ⁴	NA	NA	275 000	4.0
1971	225 000	201 500 ⁵ 23 500 ⁶	57	173 000 ¹²	7.0
1972	260 000	202 000 ⁵ 58 000 ⁶	54 ⁸ *	198 000 ⁹ (14 000) ⁹	3.0
1973	200 000 plus	200 000 ⁵ plus ⁶	54	118 000	8.0
1974	150 000	133 500 ⁵ 16 500 ⁶	49 ¹⁰	129 000	7.0
1975	140 000	not specified	51	110 000	10.0
1976	150 250	not specified	48 ¹⁰	144 000	1.5
1977	150 000	144 000 ⁵ 6 000 ⁶	49	151 000	2.0
1978	180 000	120 000 ⁵ 60 000 ⁷	49 +10 ¹¹	131 000 ⁹ (13 000) ⁹	7.0
1979	180 000	120 000 ⁵ 30 000 ⁷	49 +30 ¹¹	150 000 ⁹ (29 000) ⁹	2.0

¹ Maximum total Red Kangaroo harvest limit specified for year. ² Harvest limits controlled by limiting the number of royalty tags to be issued during the year. Entitlements of different licensees to draw (or have issued) tags within this limit are commonly apportioned at the time of deciding the harvest limit.

³ Annual Rainfall Index Scores (RNI) applicable to the whole of the Red Kangaroo harvesting area within Western Australia (defined by Prince 1984, Appendix I); low RNI scores = low rainfall, high scores = high rainfall (Maximum RNI = 10.0; RNI < 4.0 = Rainfall deficiency). ⁴ NA = not applicable.

⁵ Maximum tag entitlement initially allotted to established professional kangaroo shooters. ⁶ Allotment of royalty tags reserved for discretionary issue if necessary during the year. ⁷ Allotment specifically reserved for possible use within the Gascoyne Catchment Management Area (see III B., this paper).

⁸ Shooting authorized directly by licenses issued pursuant to Fauna Conservation Regulation 5.

⁹ Numbers within the annual total harvest actually taken by other than the established professional kangaroo shooters. ¹⁰ Some professional shooters' licenses allowed to lapse, but reissued in following year. ¹¹ Number of additional temporary shooters' licenses issued. ¹² Total for 12 months from February 7, 1971 to February 6, 1972.

prior evidence that would suggest an improvement in comparison with the preceding two years. No such evidence was obtained, and recurrent wet weather throughout the major hunting areas of the State during 1975 effectively pre-empted the proposed review. The total harvest for the year fell to 110 000 carcasses.

The reduced harvest levels taken during 1973-1975 were considered sufficient to have relieved the earlier pressure on the kangaroo stocks by 1976, and these three years had also coincided with a rainfall pattern extremely favourable to renewed recruitment to the existing kangaroo stocks. An increase in the annual harvest of approximately 30 per cent over the 1975 harvest was therefore recommended for 1976.

The onset of drought due to failure of winter rains was instrumental in shooters generally being able to maintain a high harvest success rate during the second half of 1976, and the total Red Kangaroo harvest for the year rose to around 144 000 carcasses.

Drought continued into 1977, so the projected harvest limit for this year was set at 150 000. With the drought also continuing through 1977 shooters were able to improve their harvest efficiency and the total Red Kangaroo harvest for 1977 rose slightly, in comparison with 1976.

Nearly two years of State-wide drought to the beginning of 1978 would clearly have resulted in widespread failure of reproduction in the field populations, but the existing kangaroo stocks could also have been expected to continue to put pressure on the rangeland vegetation with continuation of drought into 1978. The necessity for continued harvesting of kangaroos in these circumstances was indicated. Maintenance of shooting efficiency to this point (Figs. 13 and 14) also suggested that substantial reduction in kangaroo numbers had not then occurred.

Consideration of the projected harvest limit for 1978 was further influenced by the acceptance by the State Government of a programme aimed at rehabilitation of degraded rangelands within the Gascoyne Catchment (see Wilcox and McKinnon 1972). A policy favouring a greater reduction in Red Kangaroo numbers in this Management Area (Fig. 4) was accepted. A non-sustainable maximum of 60 000 kangaroos was predicted to be available, but the economically practicable harvest limit for the Gascoyne Catchment Management Area for 1978 was considered to be about 40 000. Taking these factors into account, the projected State harvest limit for 1978 was increased to 180 000 carcasses.

Widespread rains early in 1978 gave temporary relief from the drought, and the dispersal of the kangaroo stocks in response to these rains restricted shooter success. Further light rains later in 1978 maintained this shooting pattern, and also promoted increased reproductive success in the residual kangaroo populations, but the coincidence of dispersal of the kangaroo stocks with increasing operating costs for shooters during the year apparently restricted shooting activities in some areas. These factors were sufficient to cause the 1978 Red Kangaroo harvest to drop to near 130 000 carcasses. Less than 27 000 carcasses were taken within the Gascoyne Catchment Management Area (Appendix II, Table A II. 3).

The temporary respite gained from the prevailing drought following the rains received in the first half of 1978 did not herald general relief of the drought later in the year however, and drought conditions re-intensified during the spring-summer period of 1978-79. At this point, the expected impact of recruitment failure in 1979 flowing from reduced breeding success in 1977 pointed to a reduction in the harvest available through 1979. On the other hand, a fourth year of drought promised more serious consequences for the rangeland resource base.

The harvest monitoring data available to the end of 1978 could not provide direct information on the magnitude of the overall reduction in numbers of rangeland Red Kangaroos that would have been expected by the end of this third year of drought, but did suggest that appreciable changes had occurred in some Management Areas, e.g. changes in sex ratios in the harvest in favour of females, and apparent reductions in harvest efficiency (catch/unit effort; refer Figs. 13 - 36). In view of these considerations, and the continuing drought, a maximum projected harvest limit of 150 000 was proposed and accepted as the basis for administration of the programme during 1979. The commercial quota remained at 180 000.

The increase in the numbers of kangaroos actually taken during 1979 in comparison with 1978 was due entirely to an increase in shooting of females (Appendix II). Thirty temporary shooter's licenses were also issued during this year in addition to those issued to the established professional shooters, and these temporary shooter licensees accounted for approximately 20% of the total 1979 harvest. The changes noted in the harvest composition and in shooting certainly reflected a further reduction in numbers of adult Red Kangaroos in the field at the end of 1979.

IV MONITORING OF THE HARVEST IMPACT ON THE RANGELAND RED KANGAROOS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979

A. INTRODUCTION

The soundness of the general Red Kangaroo Management policy adopted in 1971 was not in doubt, but responsible management following

implementation of this policy demanded knowledge of the continuing harvest impact. The need was recognised for additional information on the status and productivity of the exploited kangaroo stocks in regulating future harvests, and also in refining further estimates of the available annual harvests.

Return of Kangaroo Carcasses Placed in Chiller Unit

RETURN FOR MONTH OF _____ 19.....

- A. Shooter's Name Shooter's Number
- Field Location Block No.* Damage License No.
(if applicable)
- * Use separate form for shooting activities for different blocks.
- B. Chiller Owner's Name Chiller No.
- Address
- C. Name of Person in Charge Registration No.
(if applicable)
- Chiller Location

OFFICE USE ONLY

TC	Month	Year	Dealer's Registration No.	Shooter's Registration No.	Block No.	Number of Days Shooting
30						

D.— ANALYSIS OF KANGAROO CARCASSES HELD

TC	Day of Month	Hrs. of Hunting	Red or Marloo				Euro or Biggata				Grey				Total	
			Male (buck)		Female (doe)		Male (buck)		Female (doe)		Male (buck)		Female (doe)		No	Wt
			No.	Wt	No.	Wt	No.	Wt	No.	Wt	No.	Wt	No.	Wt		
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The shooter named above must complete the declaration on the reverse of the original (white) form.

Signature of Person in Charge

Figure 2. Return Form 3 used for daily reporting of results of hunting trips undertaken by shooters.

B. THE HARVEST MONITORING SYSTEM

Ideally, harvest regulation is based on knowledge of numbers of the target species, and the net productivity of the harvested populations. This direct approach was not possible in Western Australia due to the size of the area involved, the limited staff and funds available to service such a programme, and the state of the art of broad-scale population census techniques applicable to the State's Red Kangaroo population at the inception of the formal Management Programme. Monitoring of the status of the harvested stocks via documentation of the ongoing harvest was therefore the main practical course of action open for collection of needed research data.

Detailed documentation of the harvest taken by the shooters in fact offered the best indirect means of checking the apparent status of the harvested sector of the kangaroo population, and of picking out specific problems needing further investigation. Data collection at this level could also be tied in with other administrative and enforcement requirements, so was adopted. The report form proposed for collecting the harvest monitoring data was tested in a field trial conducted during 1970, and subsequently incorporated in the Fauna (now Wildlife) Conservation Regulations following the success of this trial. The Return Form 3 in current use (Fig. 2) is similar to that first tested.

Additional information on population composition, reproductive status of the female kangaroos, and shooter activity was obtained by direct enquiry and/or investigation as required, subject to the practical limits on this work as previously described.

Ground transect and aerial survey counting techniques have also occasionally been used to provide further direct measures of local kangaroo abundance.

C. BASIS FOR THE CHOICE OF THE HARVEST MONITORING DATA COLLECTED

1. Harvest Origin and Dispersion

One of the simpler pointers to the possible stability of exploitation of a particular species is provided by examination of the pattern of origin of harvests taken. Stable exploitation systems should show a greater consistency of pattern of offtake. Detailed documentation of the origin of harvests taken was therefore included to provide this basic information.

2. Other Harvest Parameters

The fact that the data pertaining to the commercially harvested kangaroos would provide a biased sample of the hunted population(s) was recognized at the outset when choosing to

implement a harvest-based monitoring system in Western Australia. However, it was also considered that statistics calculated from the harvest data could provide a window through which the interaction between the shooters and the hunted kangaroos could be viewed and possible problem areas identified.

The difference in growth patterns of adult kangaroos which results in marked sexual dimorphism between adult male and female kangaroos (Frith and Calaby 1969, p. 145) provided the basis for selection of two different harvest parameters to be obtained.

Professional kangaroo carcase shooters are paid by weight of carcasses harvested, and so prefer to take the larger animals available wherever possible when a choice is open to them. Consequently, this selection results in preferential harvest of male kangaroos, and generally the larger, and presumably older individuals of each sex. The percentage maleness of the harvest and the average weights of the carcasses taken are both therefore likely to provide information on selectivity exercised by the shooters.

Average carcase weights can also provide a possible guide to the average age of the animals being harvested. Of course the body-weight : age relationship may vary within populations in response to seasonal and other changes in nutrition, and also between local populations if there are differences in genetic growth potential, or if conditions affecting the growth of the animals in the different groups are dissimilar. However, the general difference in growth patterns suggests that variations in female carcase weight should provide the most useful index related to the changing nutritional status of the population in the short-term, while the male carcase weight should provide the better indication of average age of the most heavily exploited sector of the population.

The catch/unit effort (= C/f) statistic can provide an index of abundance of shootable kangaroos relative to the shooter, and may also reflect changes in abundance of the kangaroo stocks because, in general terms, C (catch) = $q f S$, and if q , the catchability coefficient remains constant, then

$$C/f \text{ (effort)} \propto S \text{ (stock)}.$$

However, C/f ratios can also be expected in this instance to vary independently of the numbers in the hunted population (stock, S), in the short-term at least, because of changes in the behaviour of the kangaroos and kangaroo shooters in response to changing weather patterns. Still, such changes in behaviour may not be of overriding importance in the longer term if the total harvest (C), and total effort (f), data accumulated monthly within each year represent different approximations to potentially stable harvest:effort combinations. In this case, the patterns of variation observed may be analyzed with respect to variables affecting the different factors in the equation.

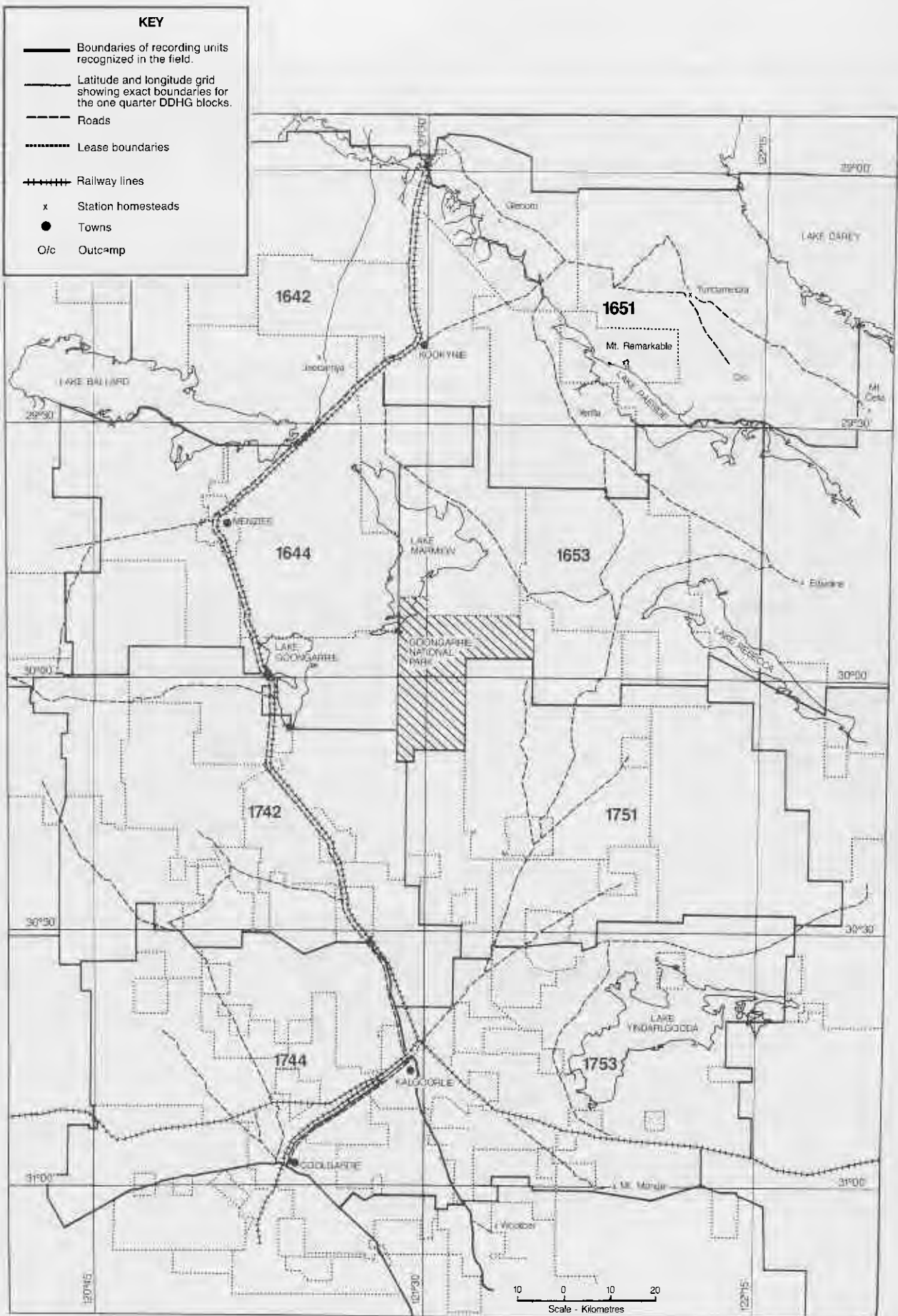


Figure 3. An example of the relationship between the practically recognizable field boundaries of the quarter-DDHG (Brook 1976) units used in reporting the origin of kangaroos harvested in Western Australia and the actual latitude x longitude grid on which these units are based.

D. THE HARVEST DATA

1. Data Collection and Processing

Kangaroo harvest data summarizing the activities of each licensed shooter are first recorded in the field on a daily basis, and then entered on the Return Form 3 supplied by the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife (Fig. 2). The separate Returns required are completed at the end of each month (including 'Nil' records) and forwarded to the Department.

The "Hrs. of Hunting" column on this form was added at the beginning of 1972, having been omitted during 1970-1971. 'Hours of hunting' is defined as the time spent in actually searching for and shooting the kangaroos taken during each hunting day, and is recorded to the nearest half hour. The 'dead' time that may be spent by some shooters in choosing to travel long distances to and from the hunting area(s) being used is specifically excluded. Some confusion on this latter point possibly did arise in 1972 (cf. average Hrs/Hunting day in 1972 and other years, Appendix II), but this possible problem was overcome by issue of more explicit instructions to shooters from 1973.

The minimum geographic recording unit utilized in compilation of these Red Kangaroo harvest data is one-quarter of the standard 1° Lat. x $1\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ Long. (DDHG; Brook 1976) blocks of the 1:250 000 Australian National Mapping grid. These one-quarter DDHG blocks were chosen as the basal recording unit because they were readily defined, and also encompassed a similar total area as was generally being utilized by the individual professional kangaroo shooters in Western Australia. The actual units defined for practical reference by the shooters in compiling their Returns had to be mapped in terms of recognizable features on the ground as shown for example in Fig. 3. The effects of the specific block boundary variations required for practical recording of data in the field are taken into account as necessary in data interpretation.

On receipt in the Department, the shooters' hunting Returns are first checked by administration and enforcement staff before being forwarded to the research branch for further action. After coding of these returns as required, the new data are transferred to a permanent computer file data-base. All new data are routinely checked for logical and arithmetic errors on accession to the data-base and any necessary corrections are made. The valid records retained in this data-base are then used to produce harvest summaries and statistics, and other statistics relating to the interaction between the shooters and the hunted kangaroos.

2. The Harvest Statistics

The major indices of harvest impact and population abundance and status calculated from the harvest data-base are:

- i) Rate of offtake : units = carcasses/km²/annum.

Calculated as (Total numbers of Red Kangaroos taken annually per quarter-DDHG block/area within the designated quarter-block).

- ii) Catch/unit hunting effort, (C/f) : units = carcasses taken/hunting hour.

Calculated as (Total numbers of carcasses taken/total effective hunting effort).

These indices are calculated separately for each sex without reference to the proportion of time possibly expended exclusively on hunting animals of the other sex. Where kangaroos are taken and the effort expended is not reported, it is assumed that the catch rate (= C/f) is similar to the pooled average calculated from all other records within the specified sample-set where effort has been reported.

- iii) Average carcass weight : units = kg/trade carcass.

Calculated as (Total weight of the specified carcasses/total numbers taken within the class).

The 'full' trade carcass referred to here is the eviscerated body of the kangaroo with the skin attached minus the head, hands, and feet, and with the tail severed approximately 10-20 cm from the base.

- iv) Percentage maleness of harvest : units = %.

Calculated as (100 x Male carcasses/total carcasses within the specified group).

The statistics specified in (ii), (iii) and (iv) above are calculated for each of the designated State Management Areas (Fig. 4) and for the whole-of-State data also. The separate Management Areas were first formally defined in 1974, and include larger sample sets of the basal quarter-DDHG blocks.

3. Harvest Data Summaries

Density distributions of the annual rates of harvest offtake of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia during the eight years 1972 through 1979 are mapped in Figs. 5 - 12. These maps were produced using SYMAP (Version 5.20, Harvard University Laboratory for Computer Graphics and Spatial Analysis 1977). Digitized coordinates for the Western Australian coastline were provided by the Department of Lands and Surveys, Western Australia, and mapped as an Alber's equal area projection with standard parallels at $17^{\circ}30'S$ and $31^{\circ}30'S$ and central meridian at $121^{\circ}00'E$ on the IUGG 1967 spheroid using MAPROJ (Version 1.2, Hutchinson 1981). Full data for 1971 are not available because of incomplete harvest reporting during the first half of this first year of operation of the Management Programme.

The patterns of variation in the other harvest statistics listed in IV D. 2. (above), e.g. catch/unit effort, average carcass weights and percentage maleness in the harvests taken over the whole-of-State, and within the main State Management Areas from 1972 through 1979 are

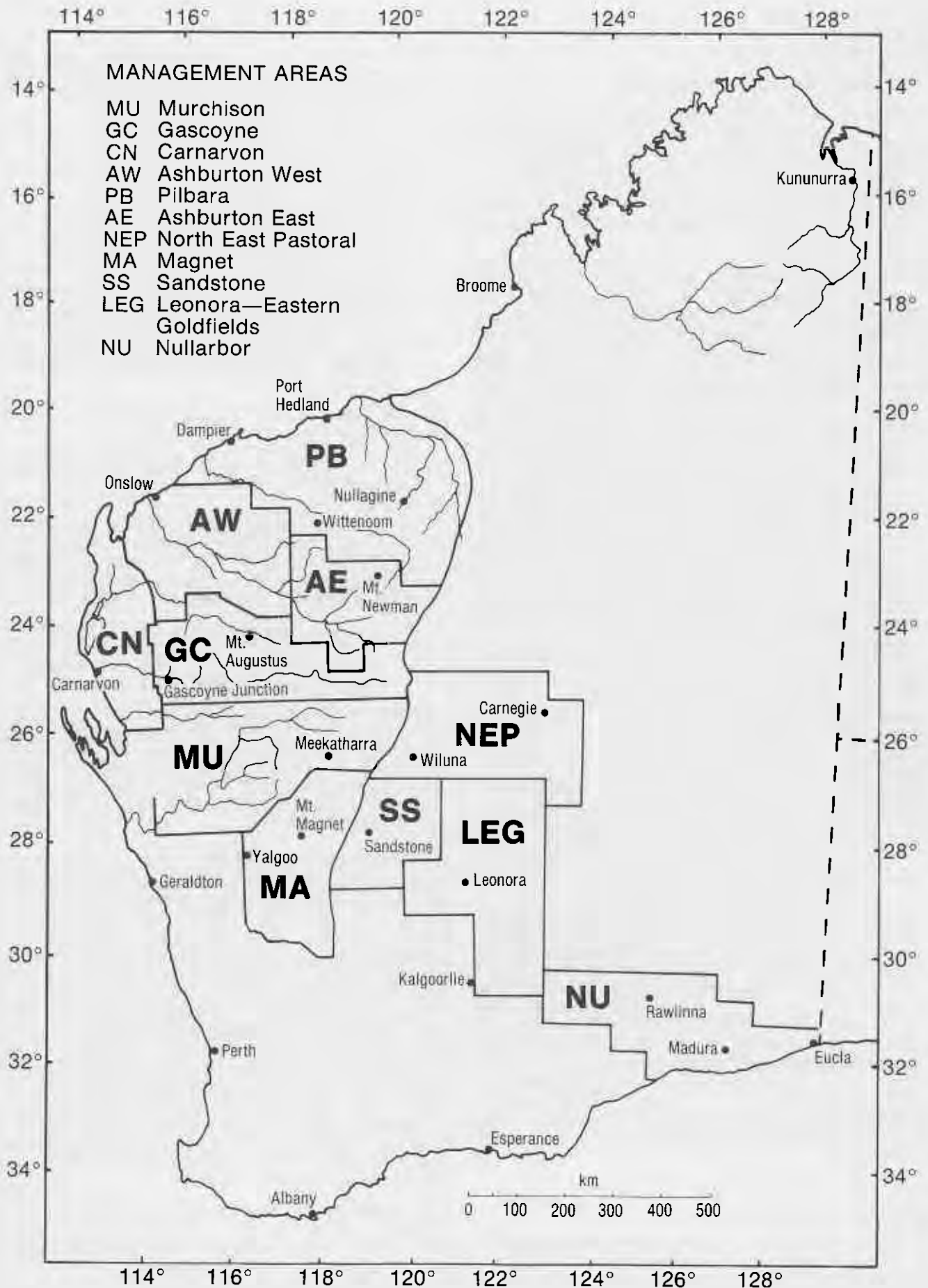


Figure 4. Location of the Western Australian Management Areas used in compiling summaries of State Red Kangaroo harvests.

Figures 5 - 12.

Maps showing the distribution of Red Kangaroo harvest
offtake rates within Western Australia :
1972 through 1979.

(Note that the area included within the harvest
offtake Class 1 shown on these maps largely
defines areas open to commercial exploitation of
Red Kangaroos from which reports received
indicate no commercial harvesting has occurred
during the past 10 years.)

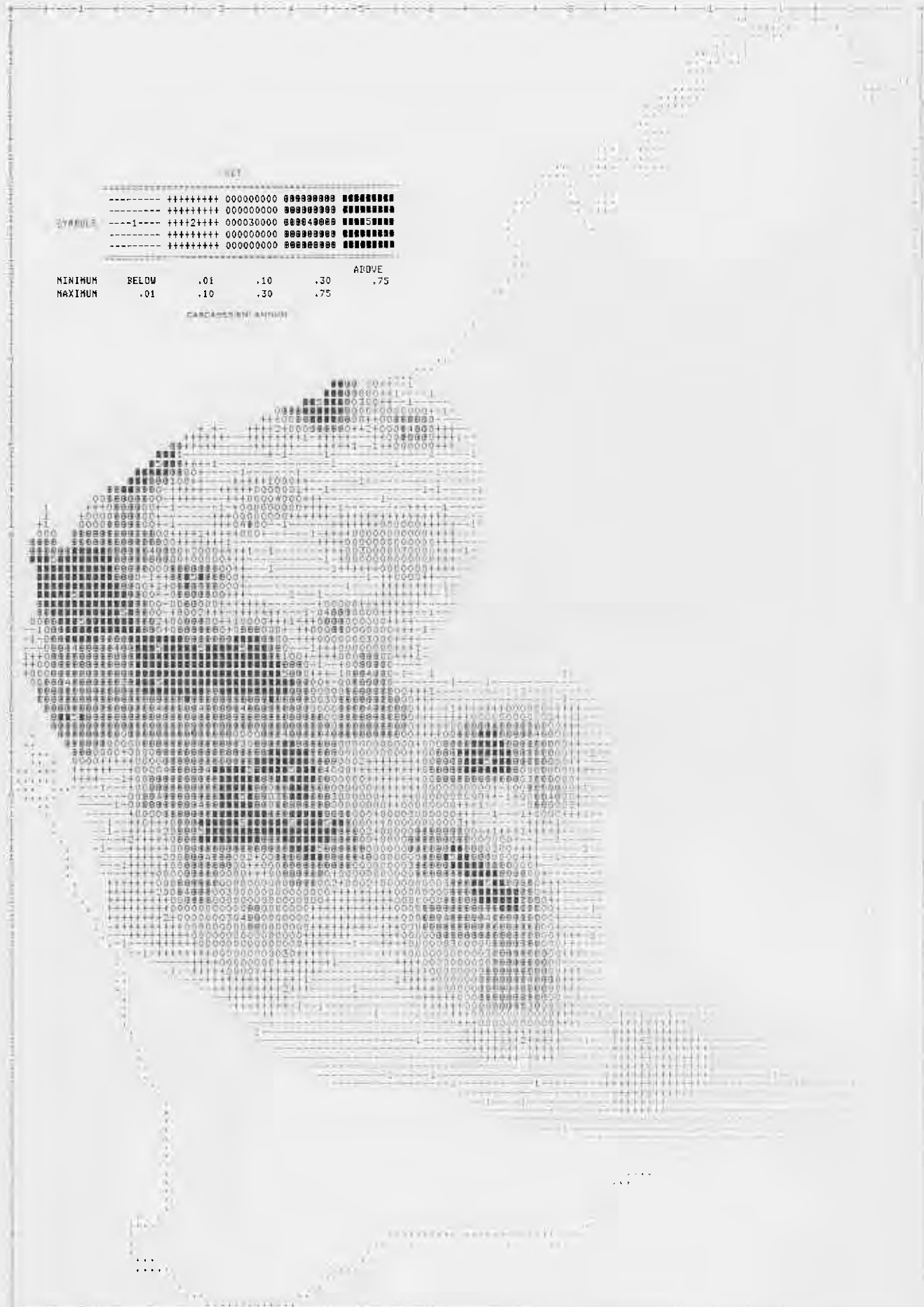


Figure 5. Distribution of the Red Kangaroo Harvest Offtake Rates in Western Australia : 1972.



Figure 7. Distribution of the Red Kangaroo Harvest Offtake Rates in Western Australia : 1974.

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Figure 8. Distribution of the Red Kangaroo Harvest Offtake Rates in Western Australia : 1975.

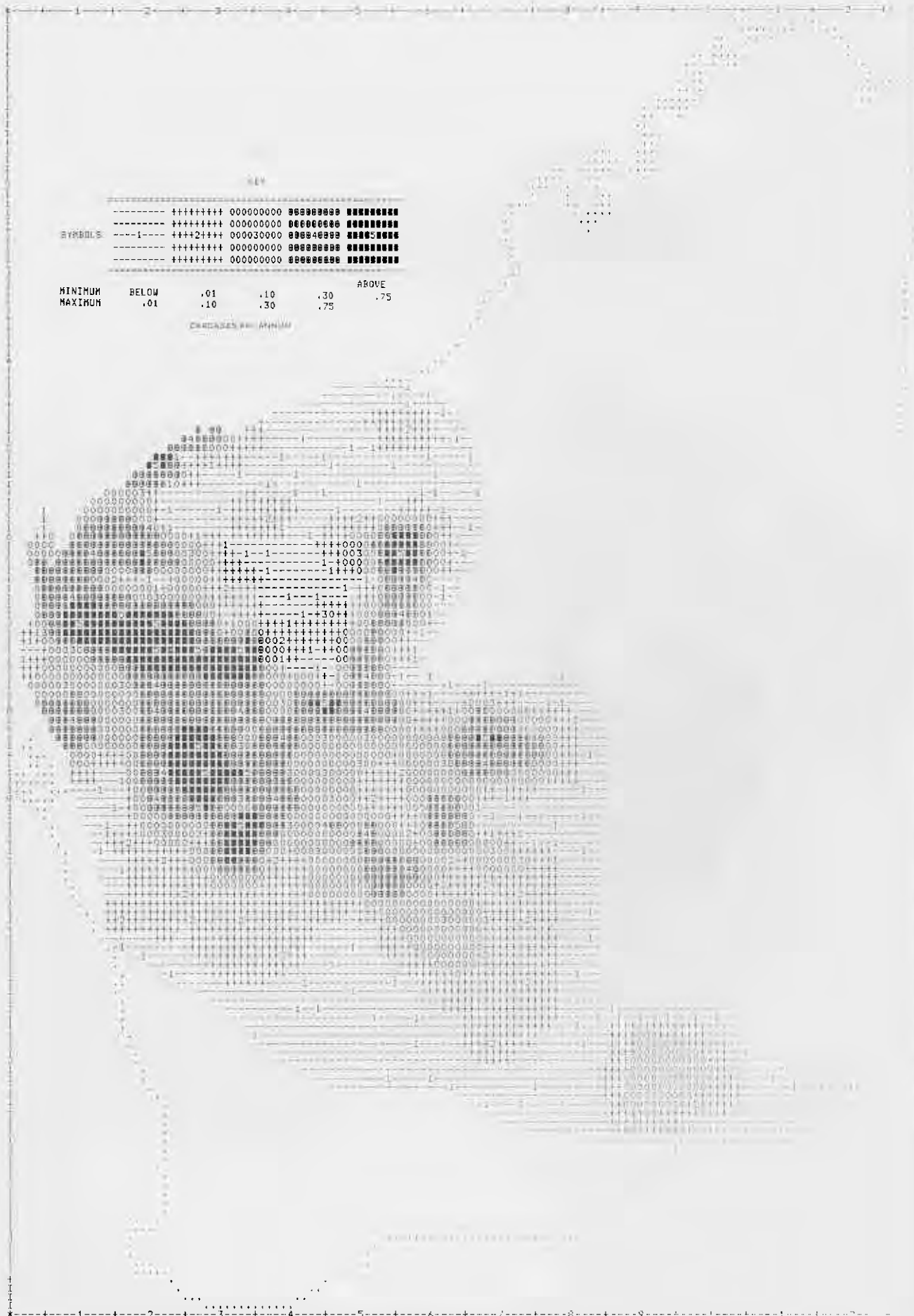


Figure 9. Distribution of the Red Kangaroo Harvest Offtake Rates in Western Australia : 1976.

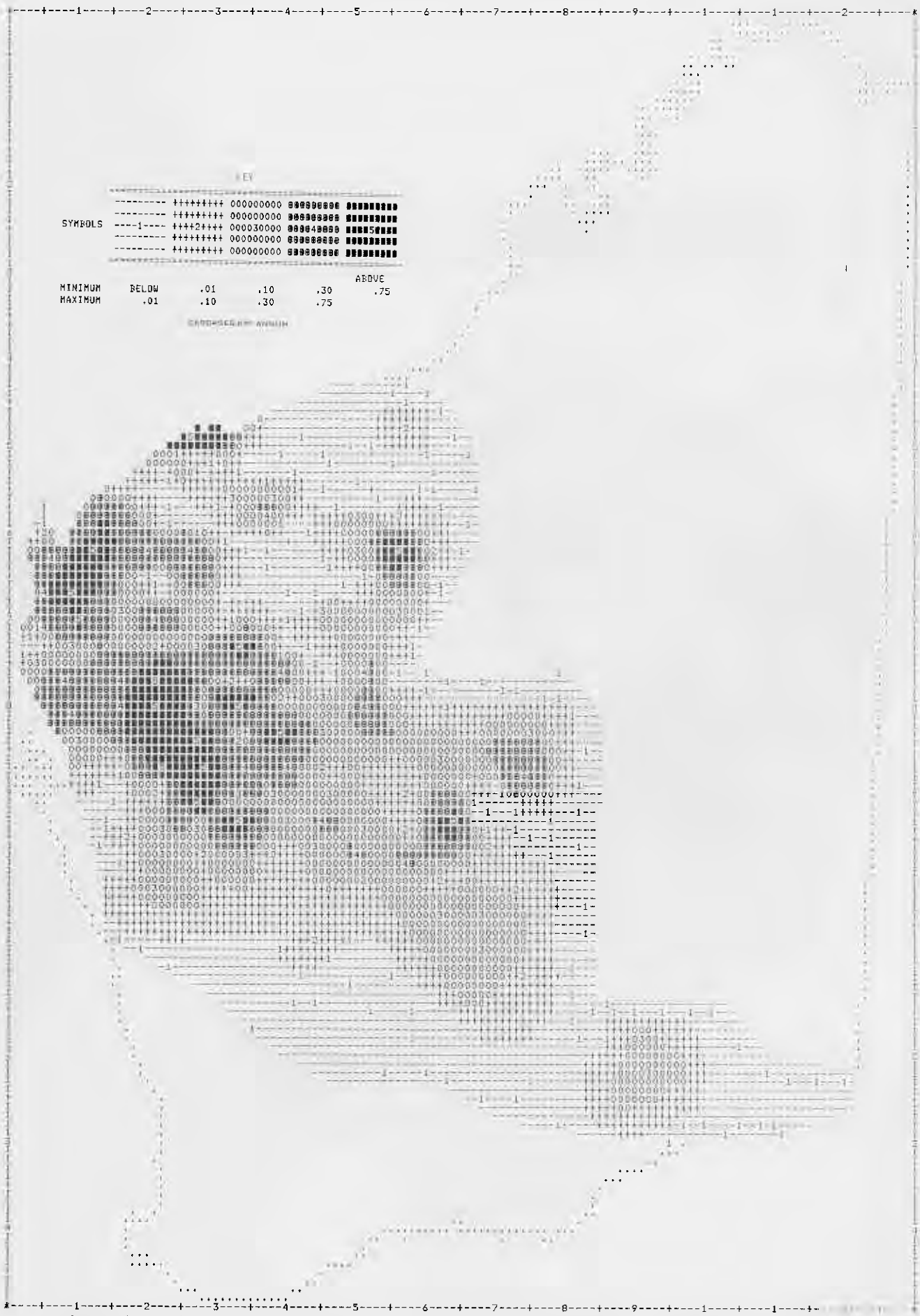


Figure 10. Distribution of the Red Kangaroo Harvest Offtake Rates in Western Australia : 1977.

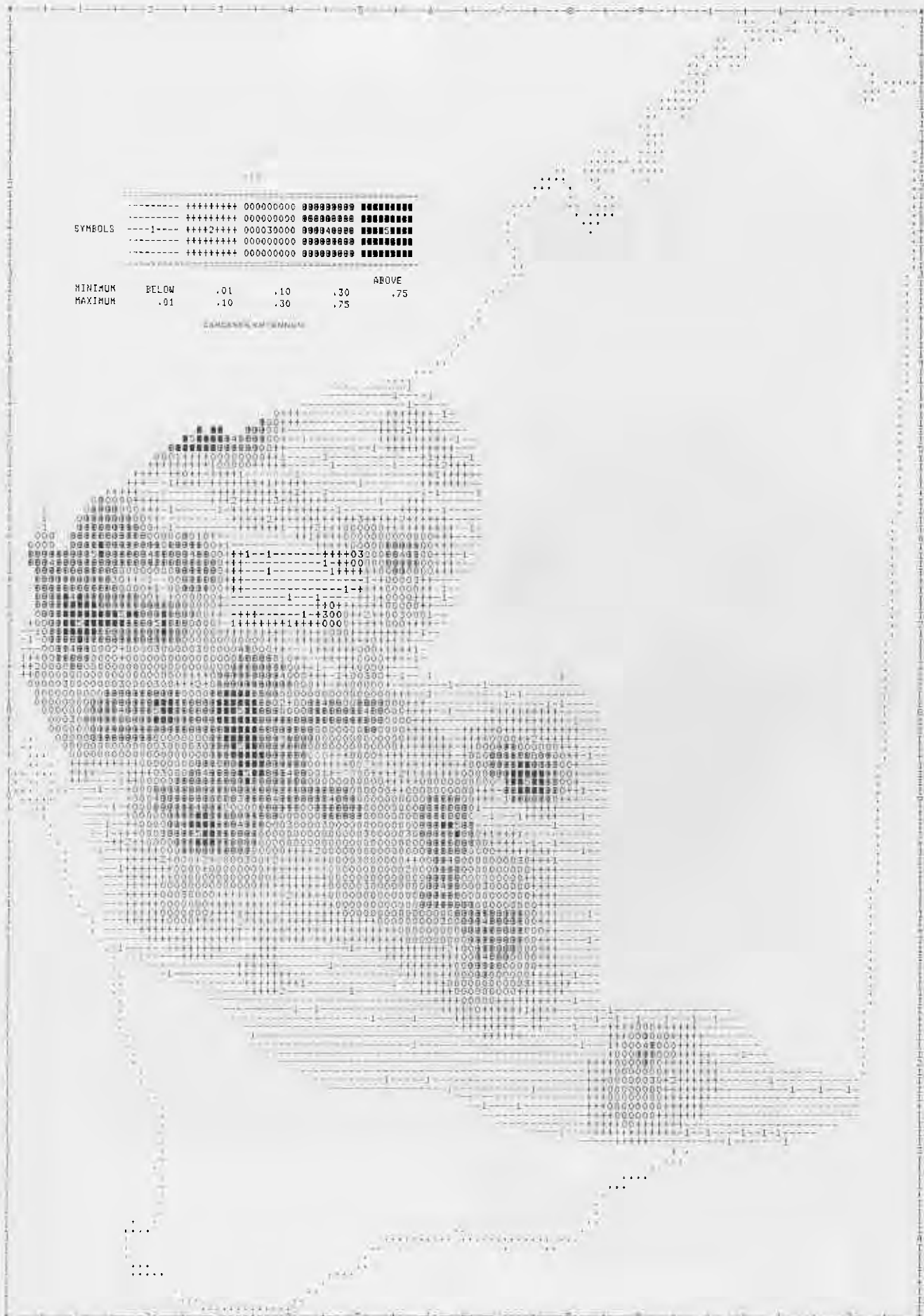


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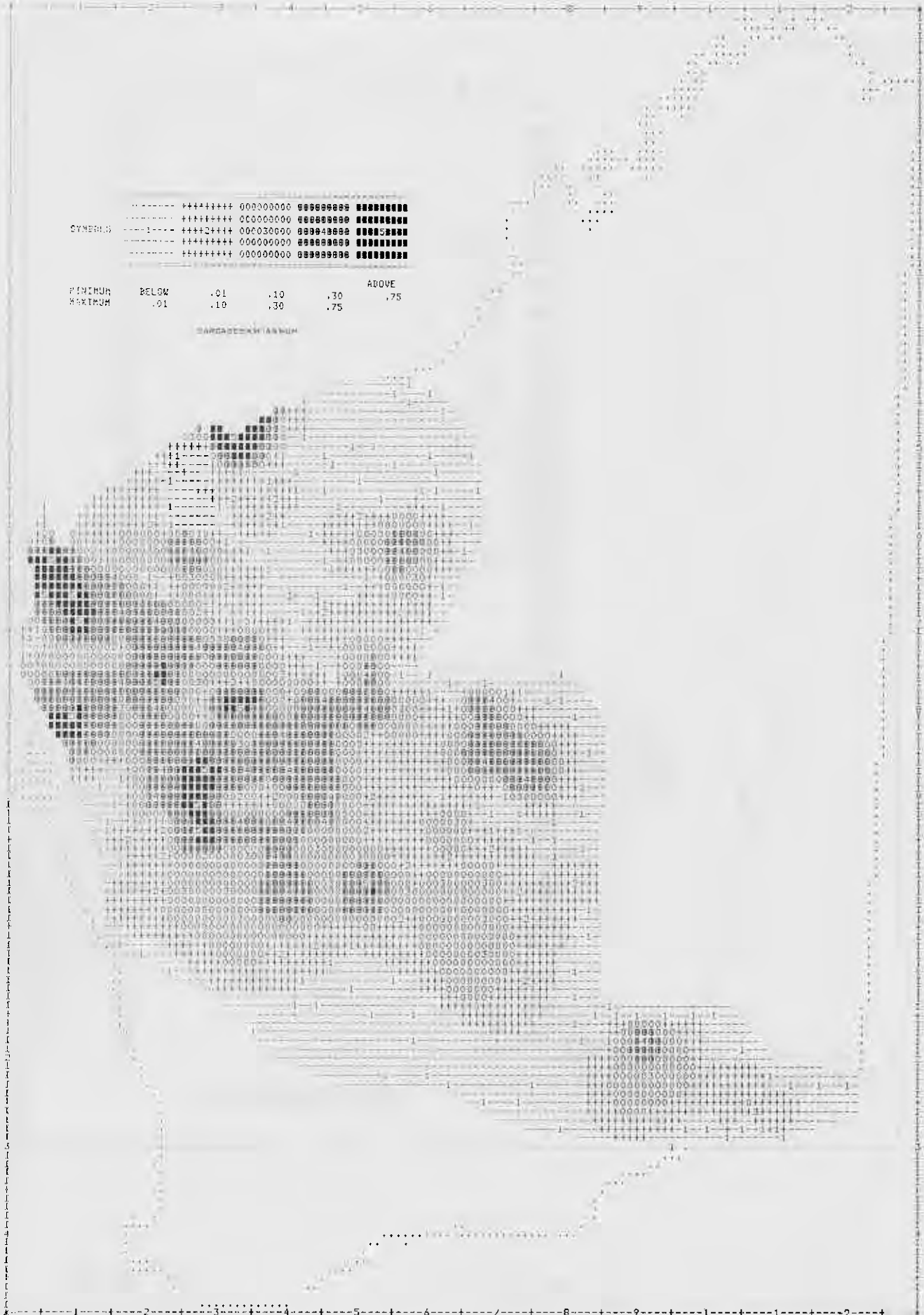


Figure 12. Distribution of the Red Kangaroo Harvest Offtake Rates in Western Australia : 1979.

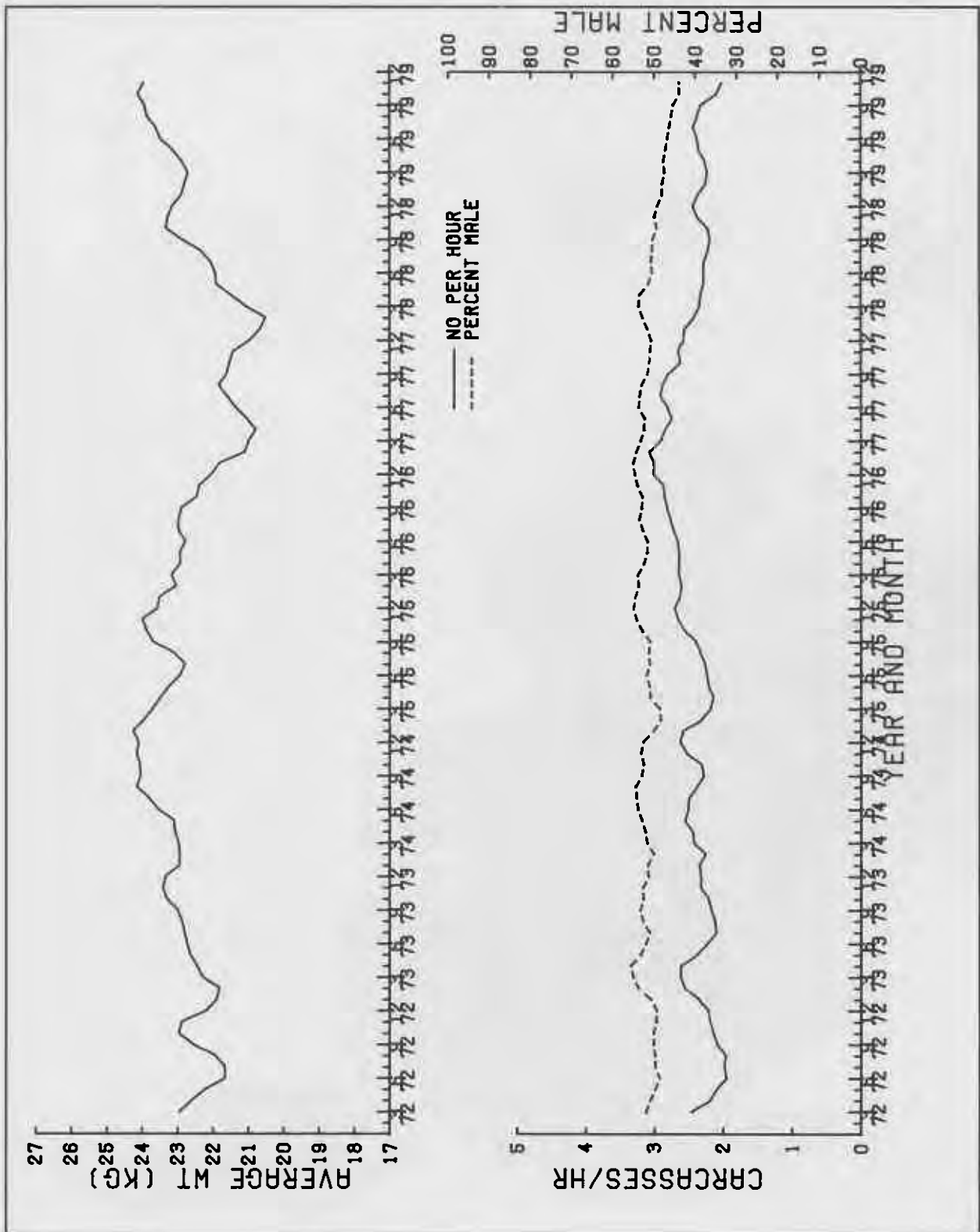


Figure 13. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total whole of State harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

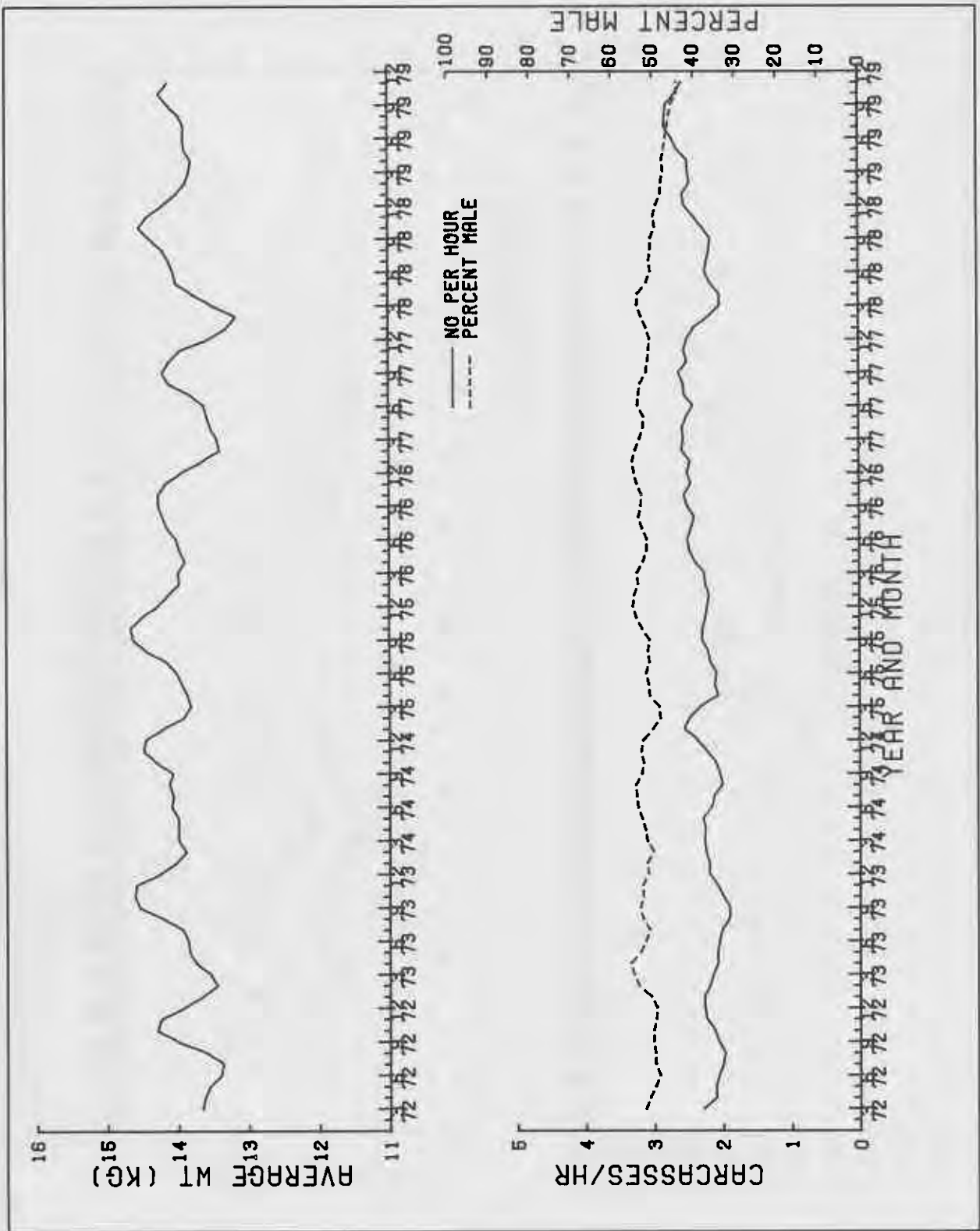


Figure 14. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for female Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total whole of State harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

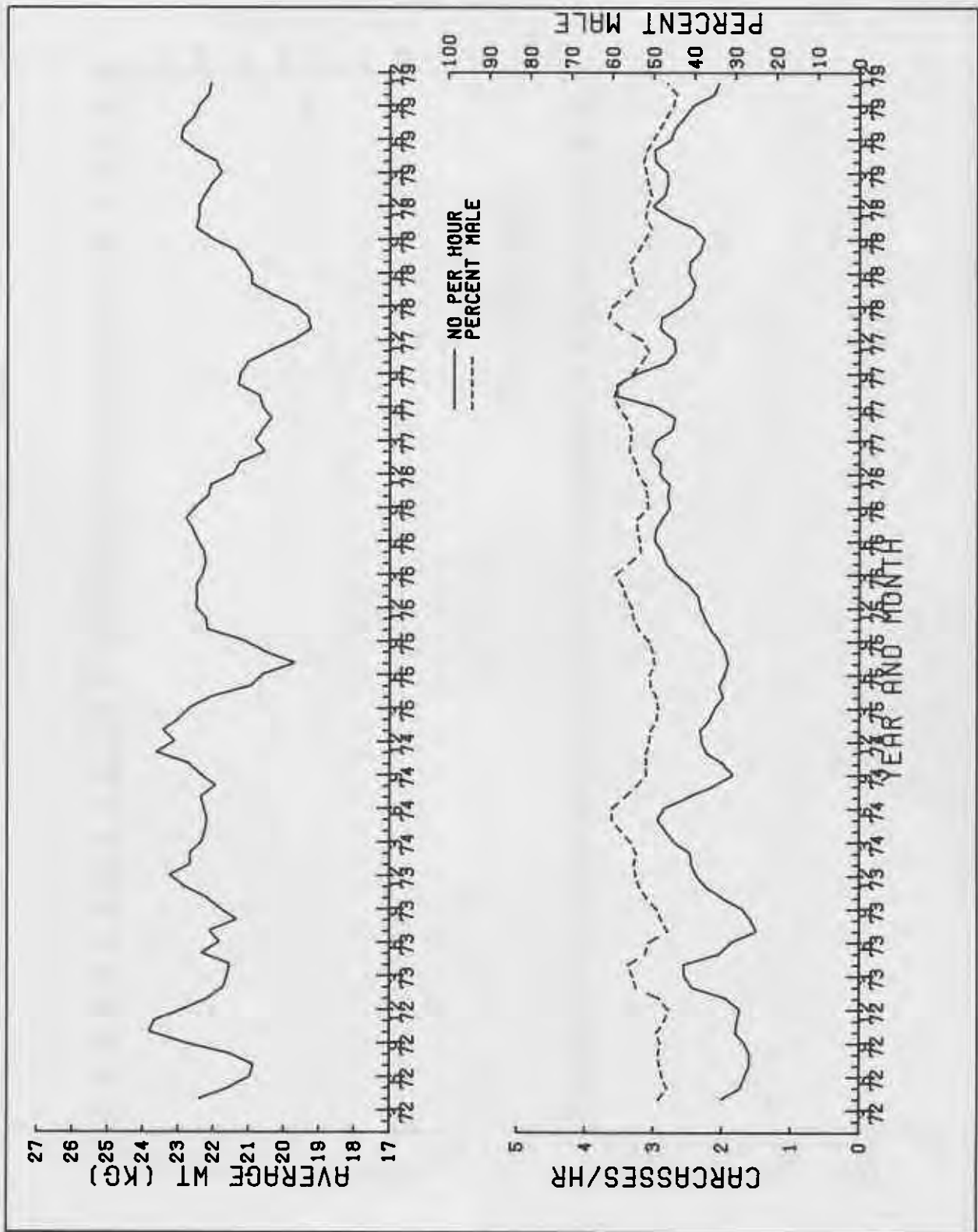


Figure 15. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Murchison Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

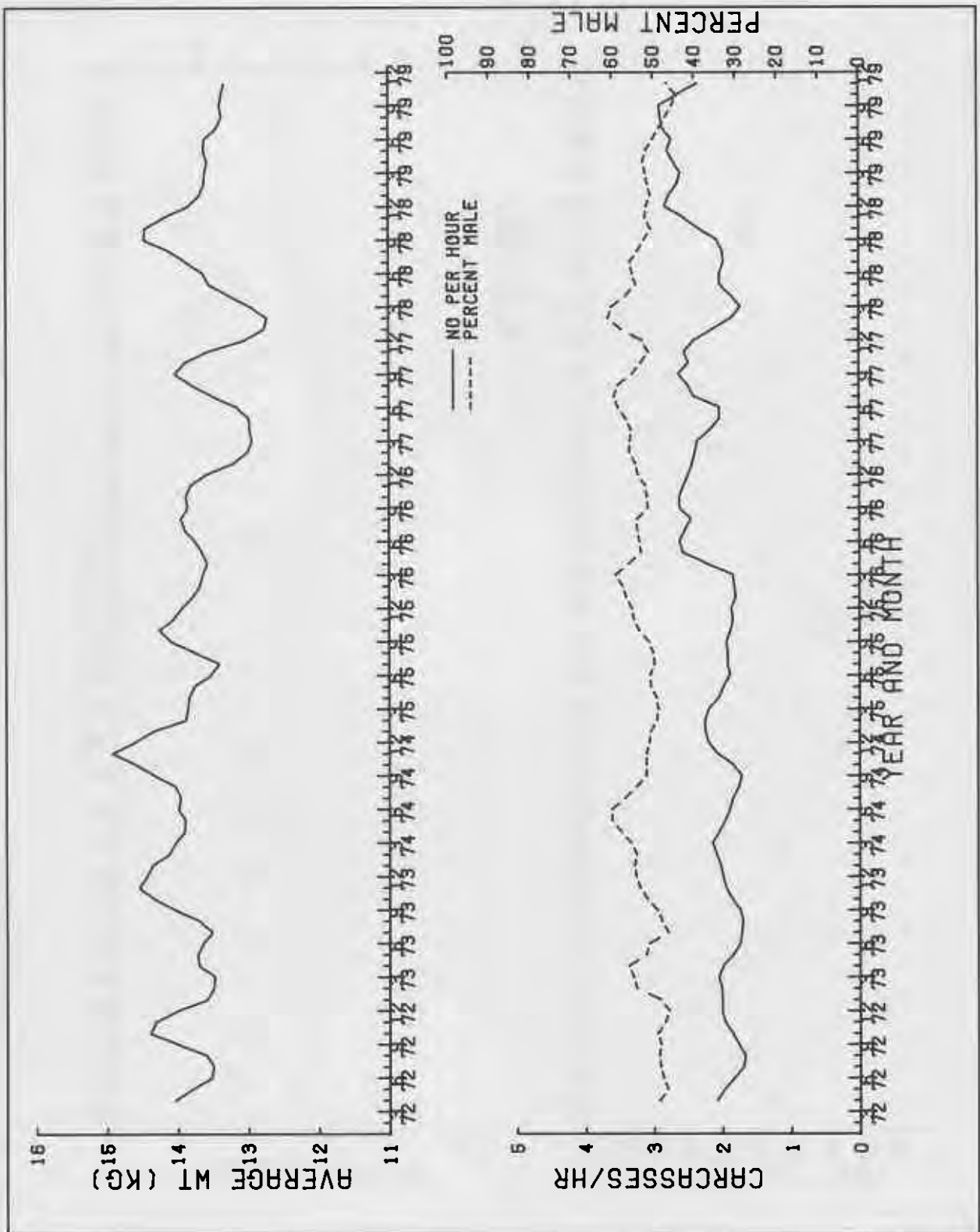


Figure 16. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for female Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Murchison Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

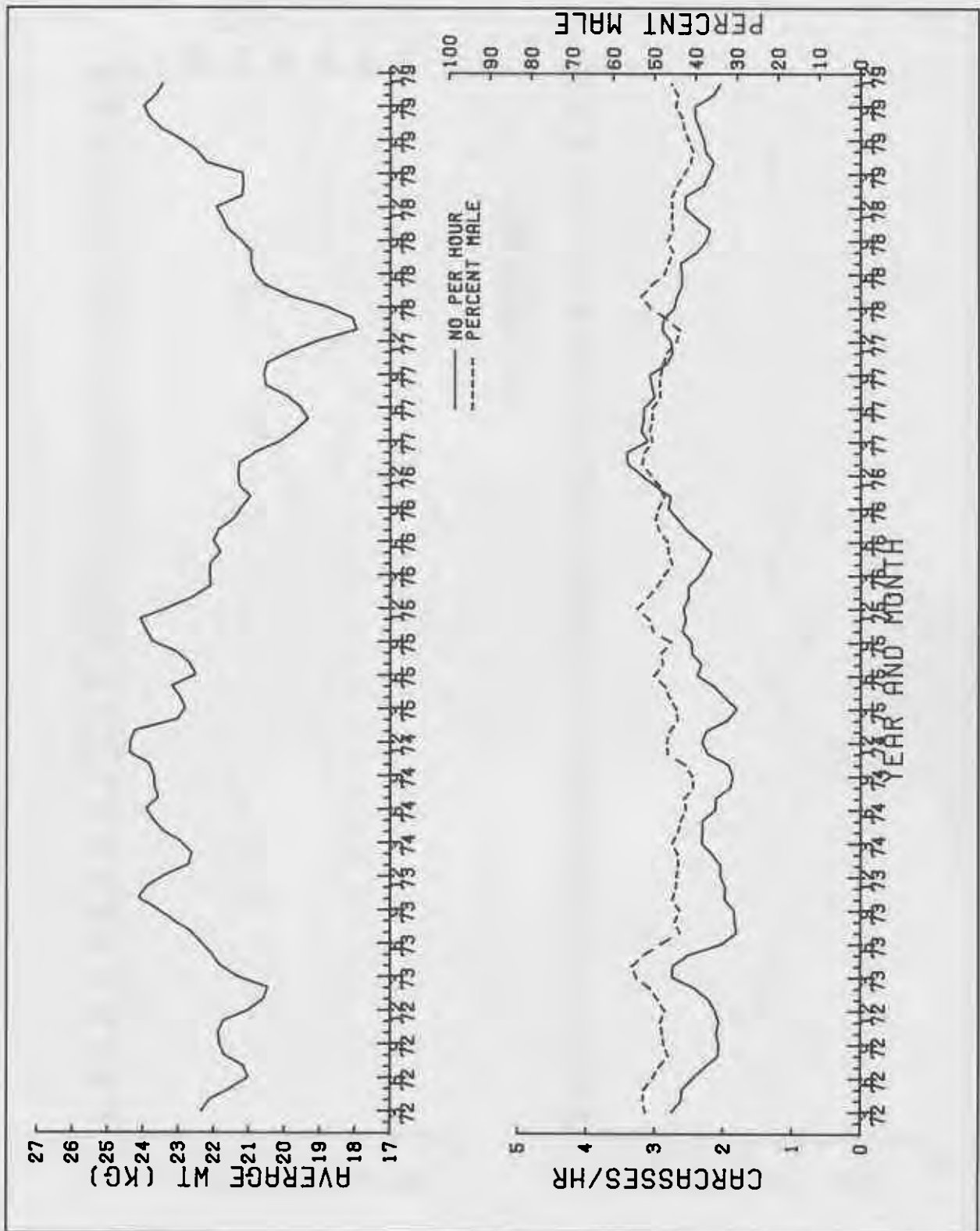


Figure 17. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Gascoyne Catchment Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

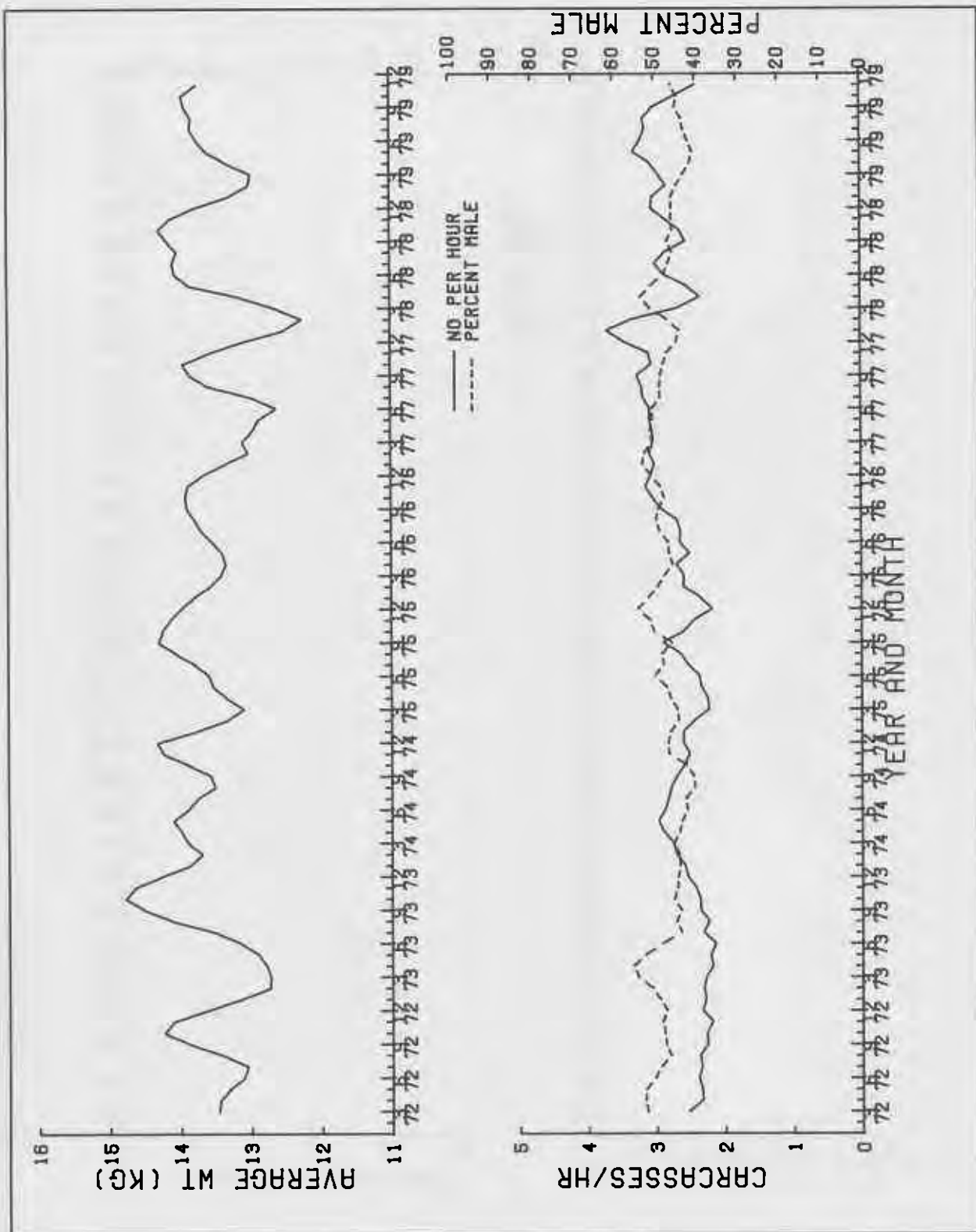


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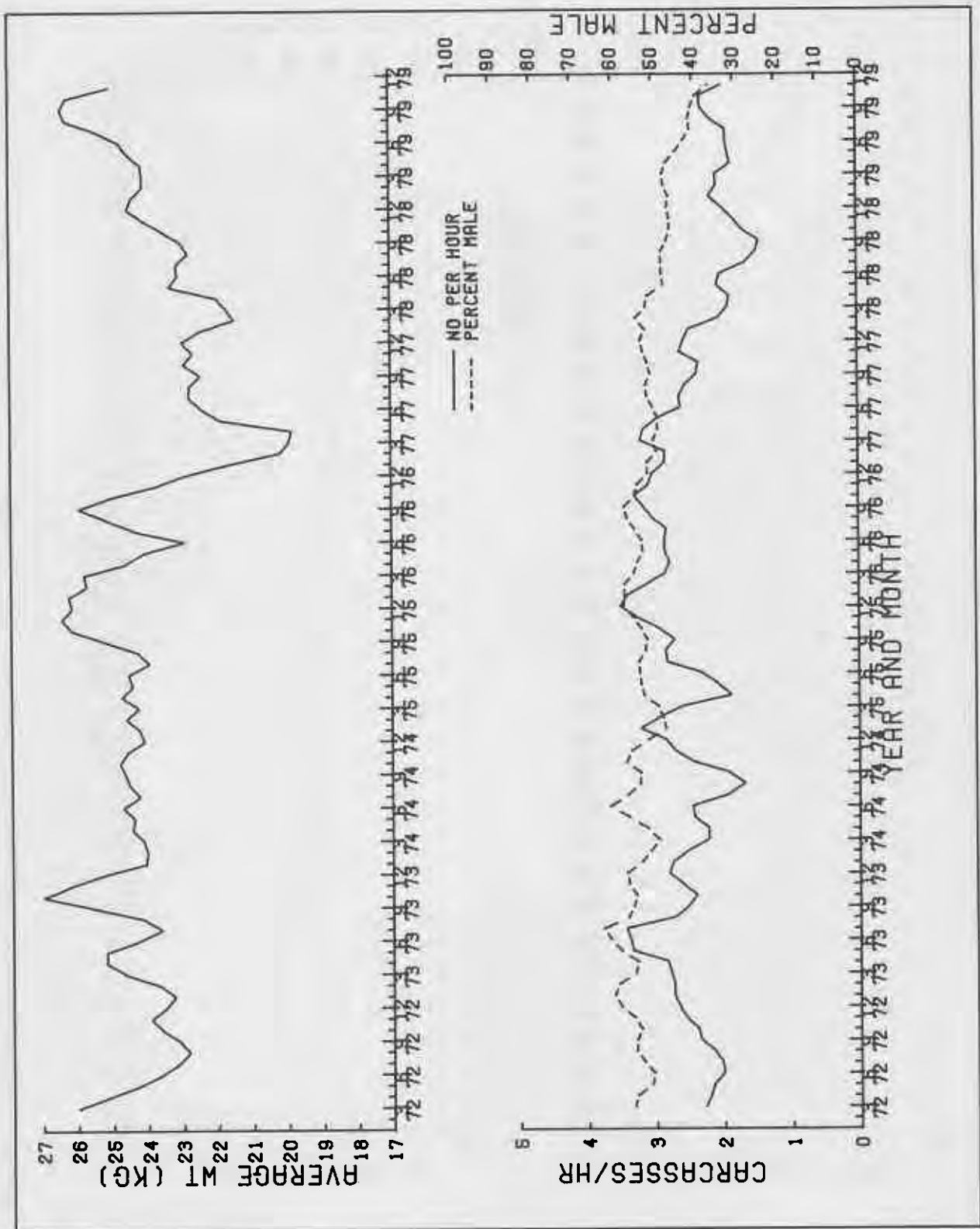


Figure 19. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Carnarvon Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

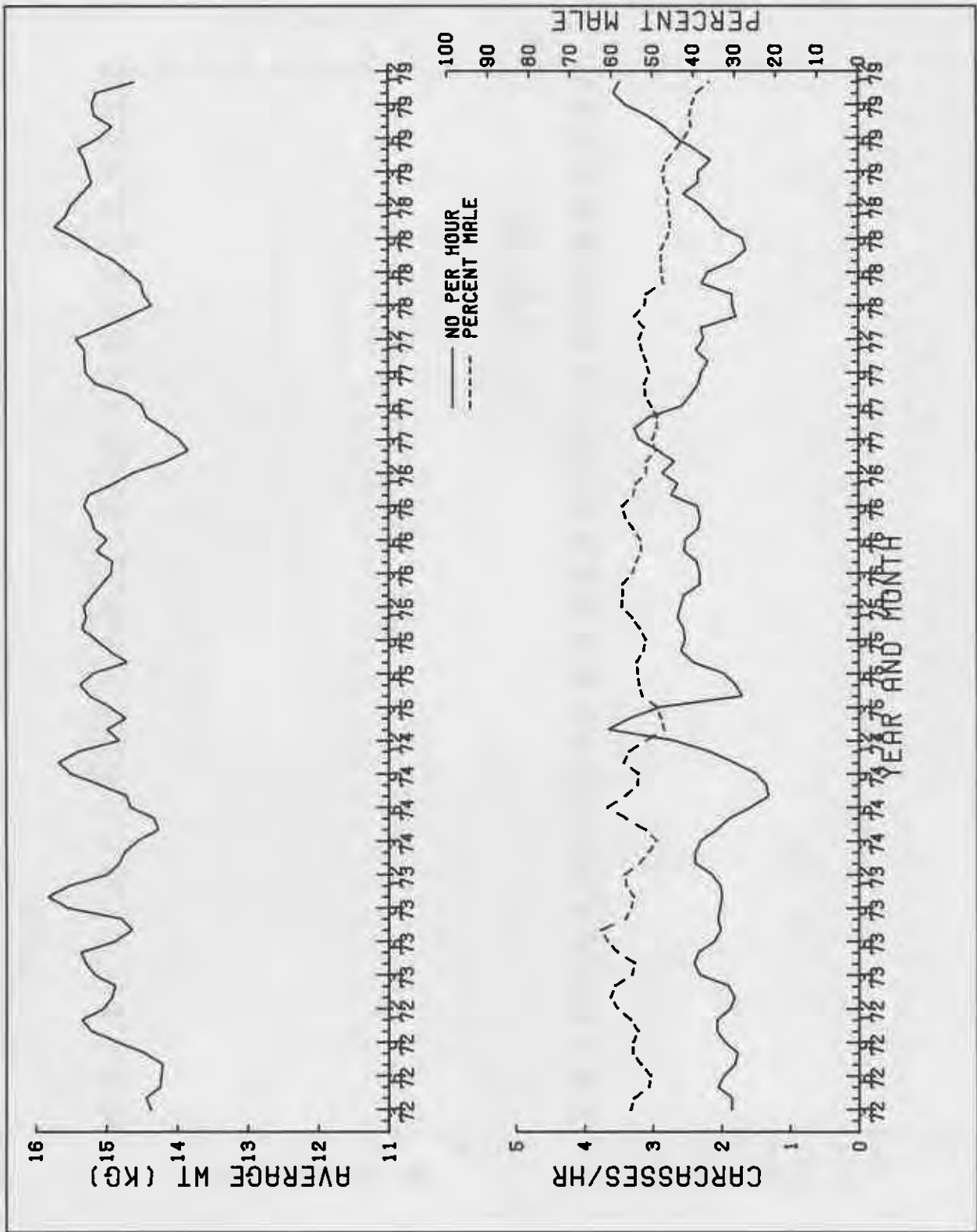


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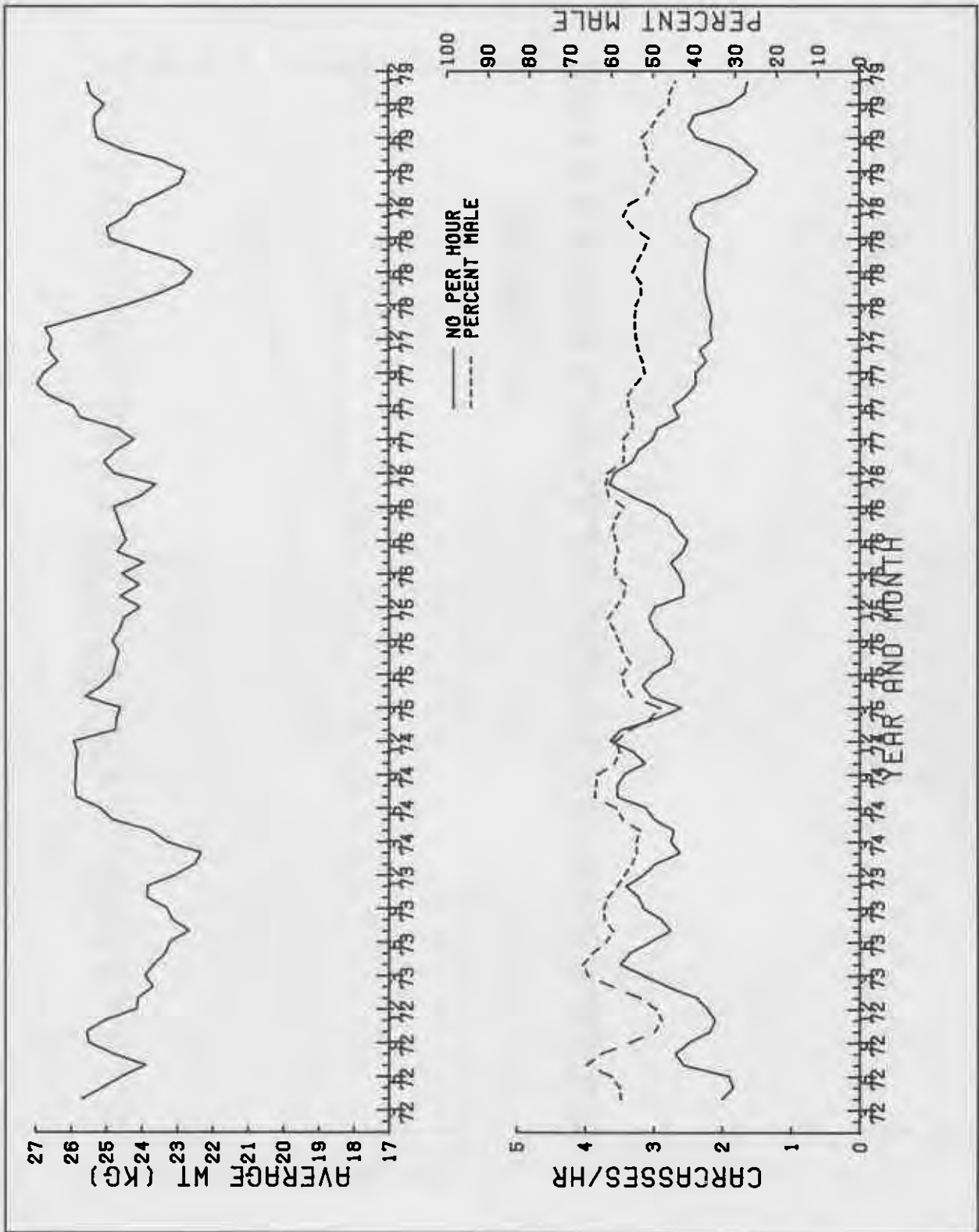


Figure 21. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Ashburton (West) Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

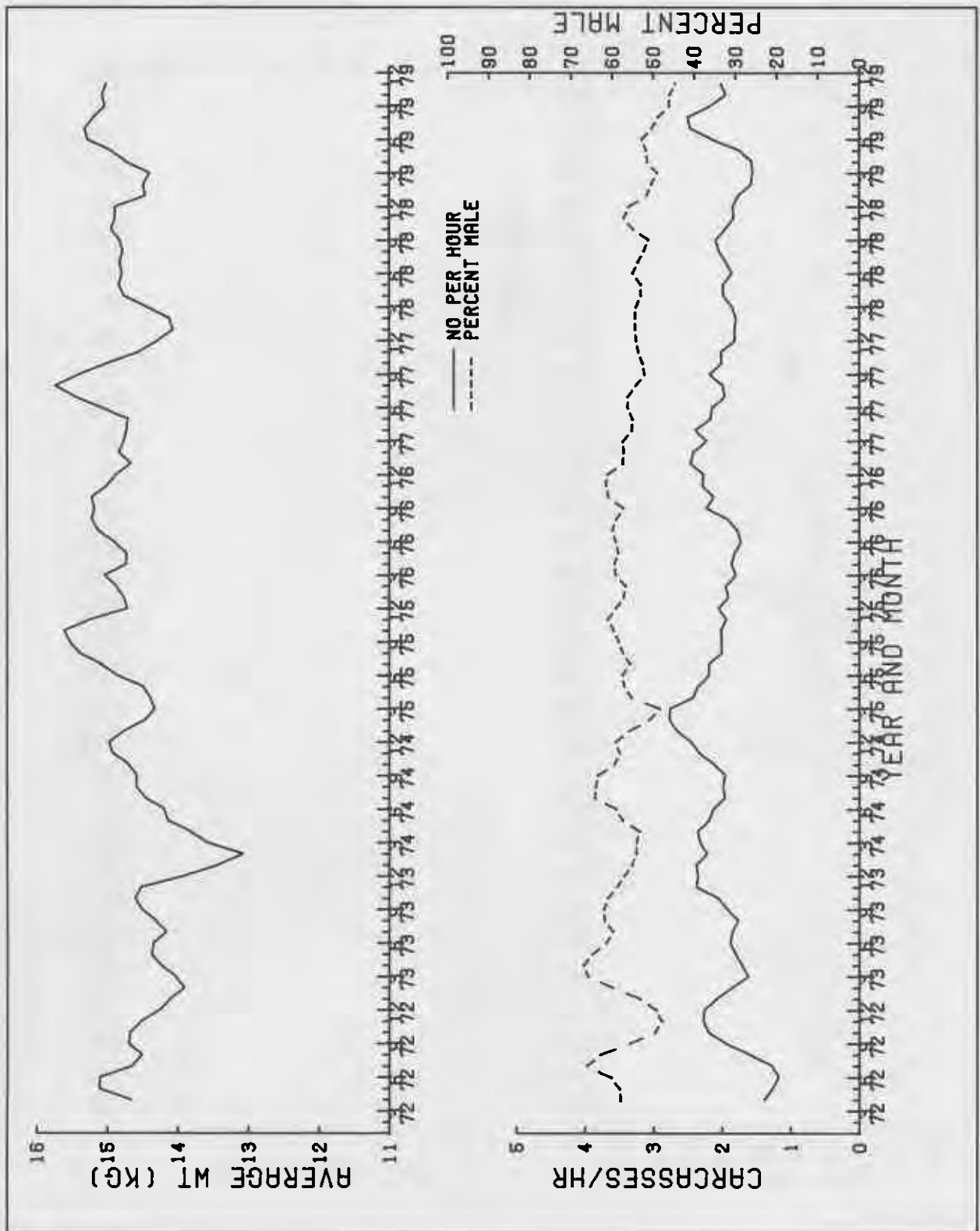


Figure 22. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcase weight and harvest rate for female Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Ashburton (West) Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

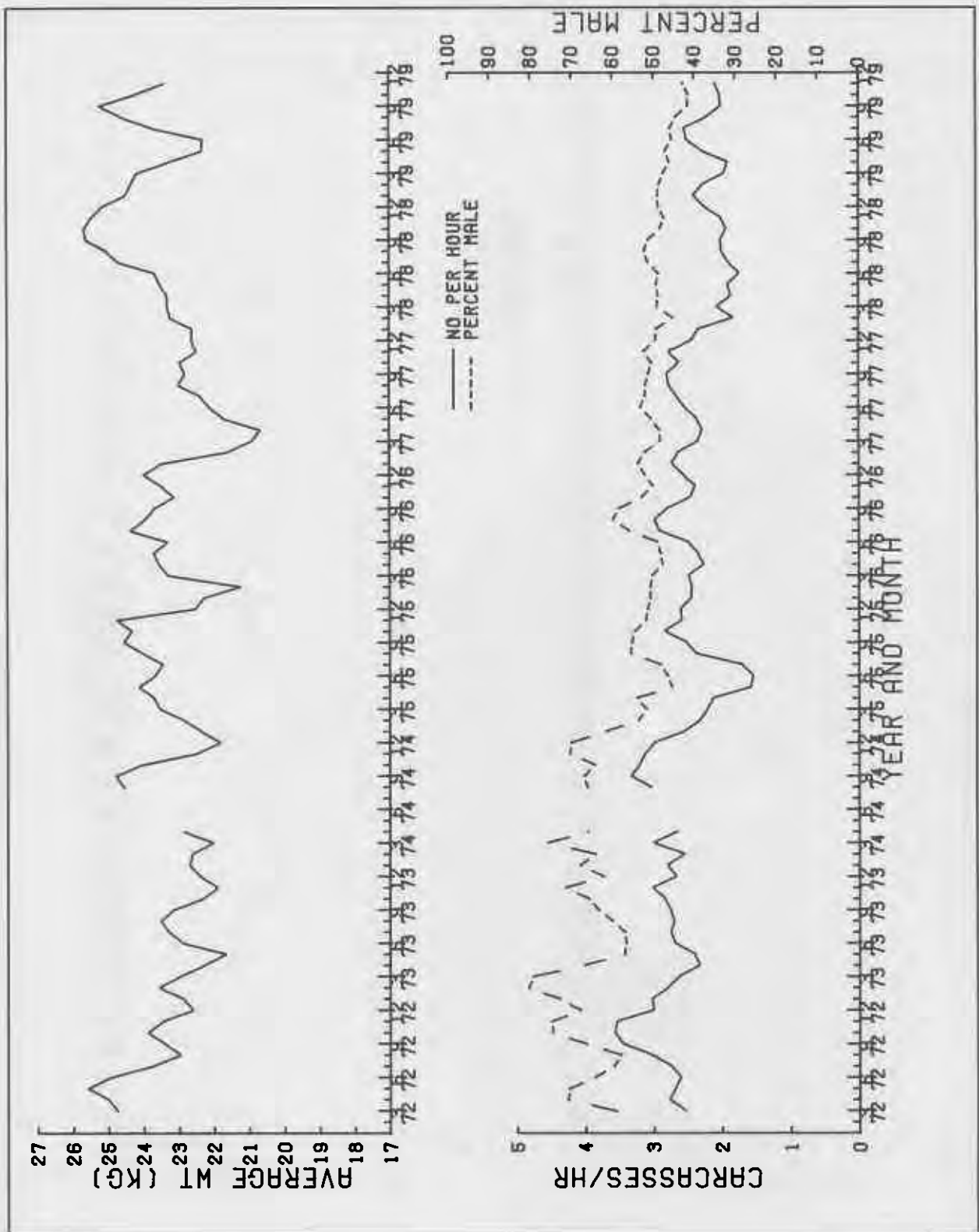


Figure 23. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Pilbara Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

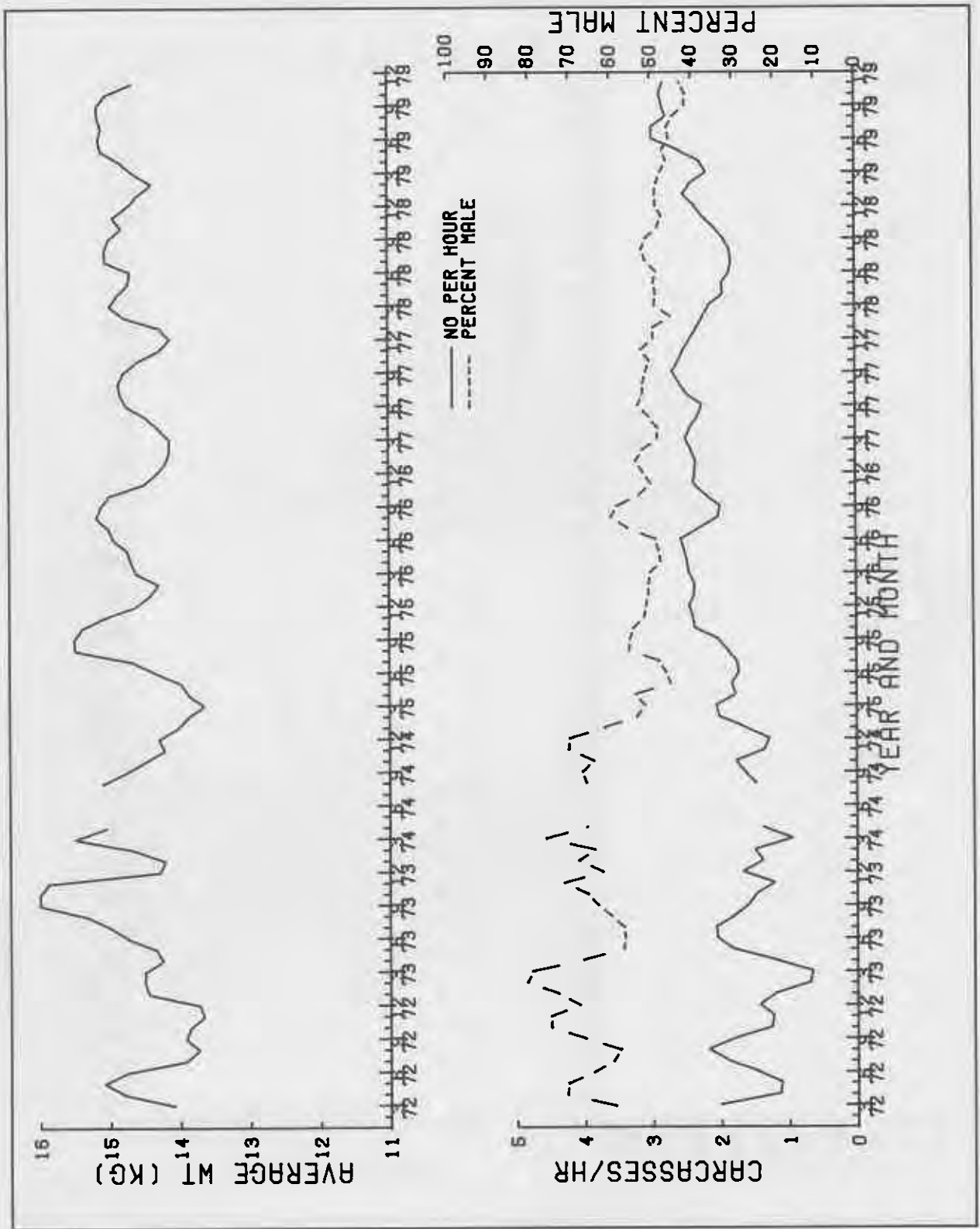


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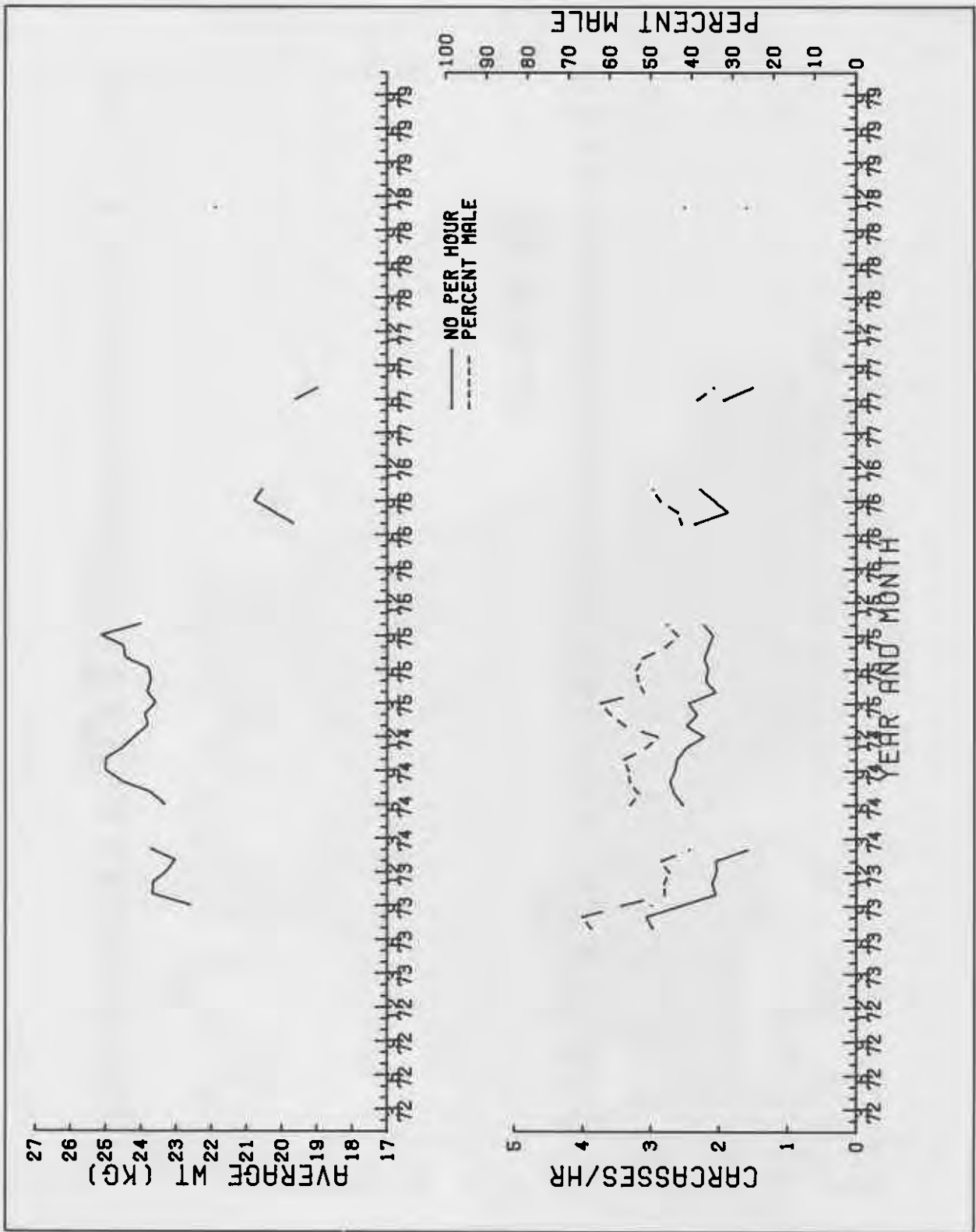


Figure 25. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Ashburton (East) Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

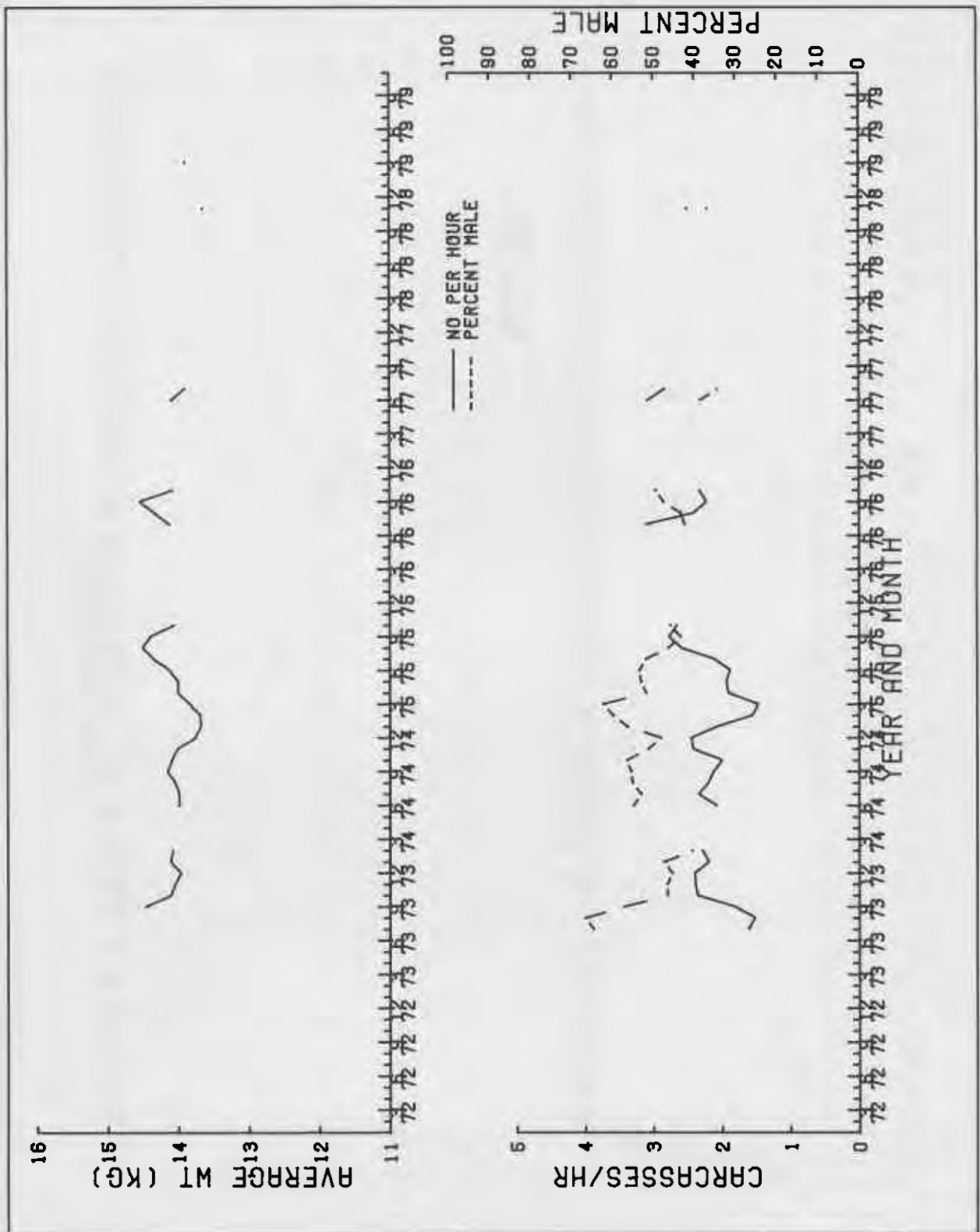


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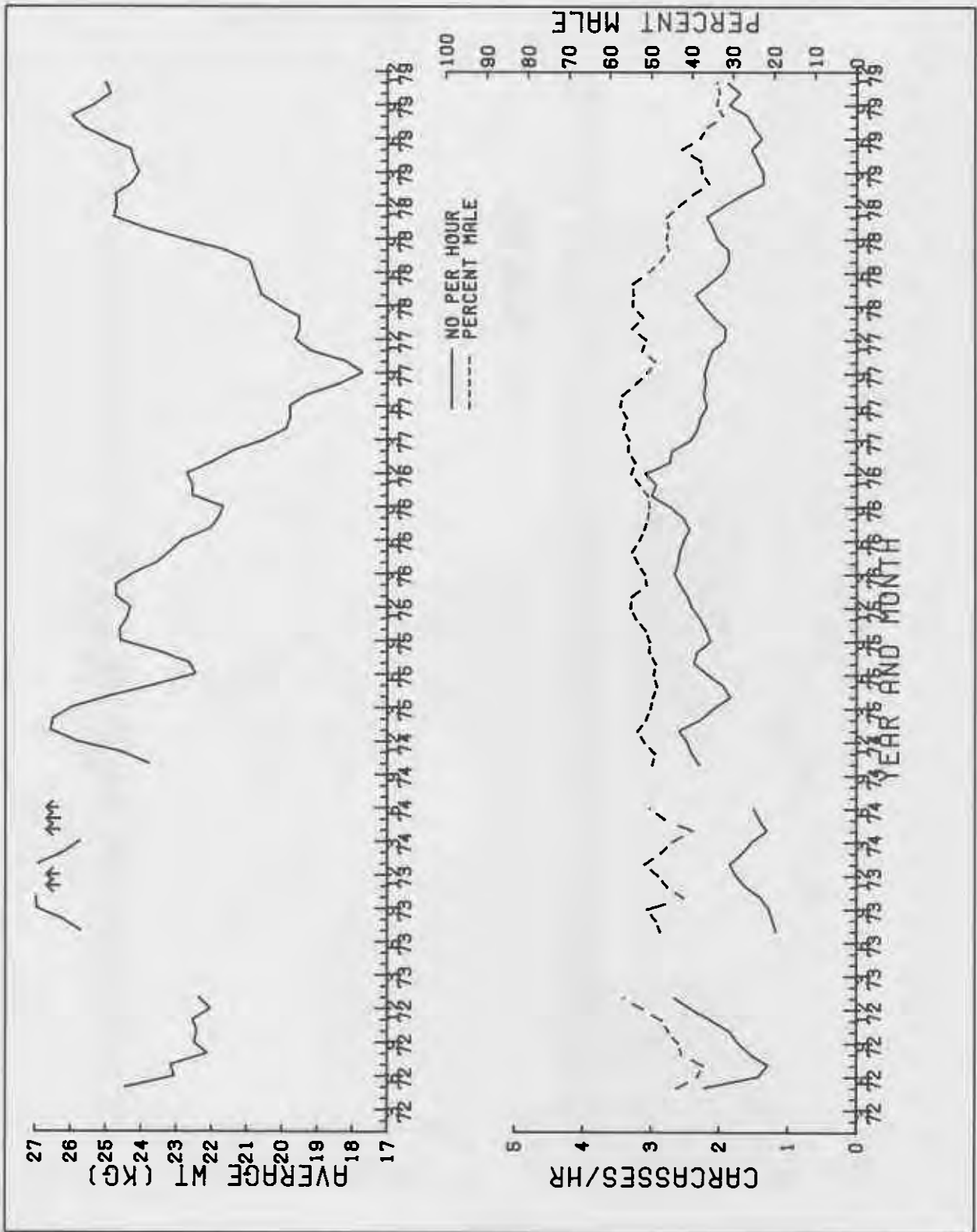


Figure 27. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total North Eastern Pastoral Management Area - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

Note. Figure 27. Carcass weight values offscale indicated by ↑ are:

Month & Year	Weight	Month & Year	Weight
1173	27.8	0574	29.3
1273	27.6	0674	30.8
0474	27.2		42

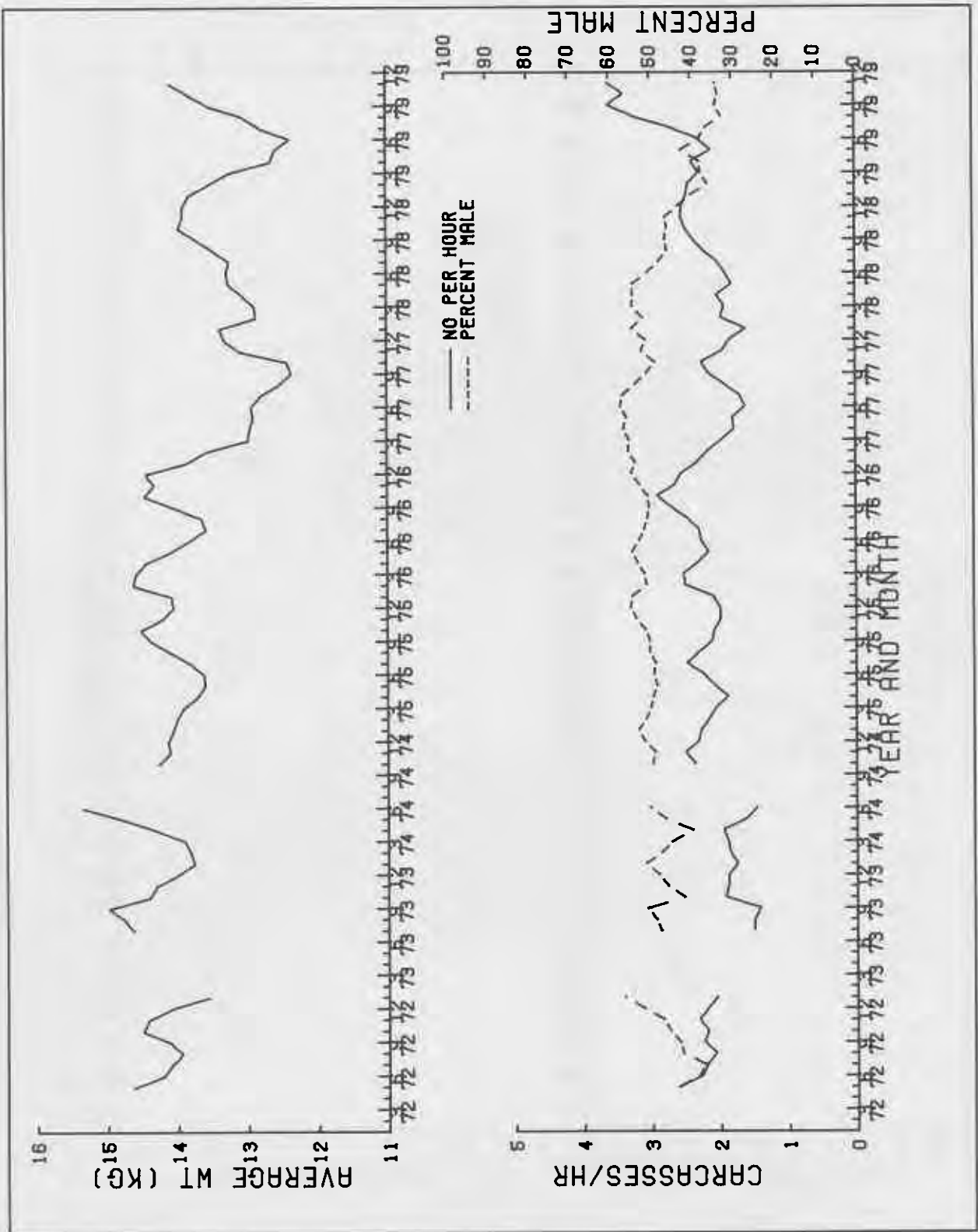


Figure 28. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for female Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total North Eastern Pastoral Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

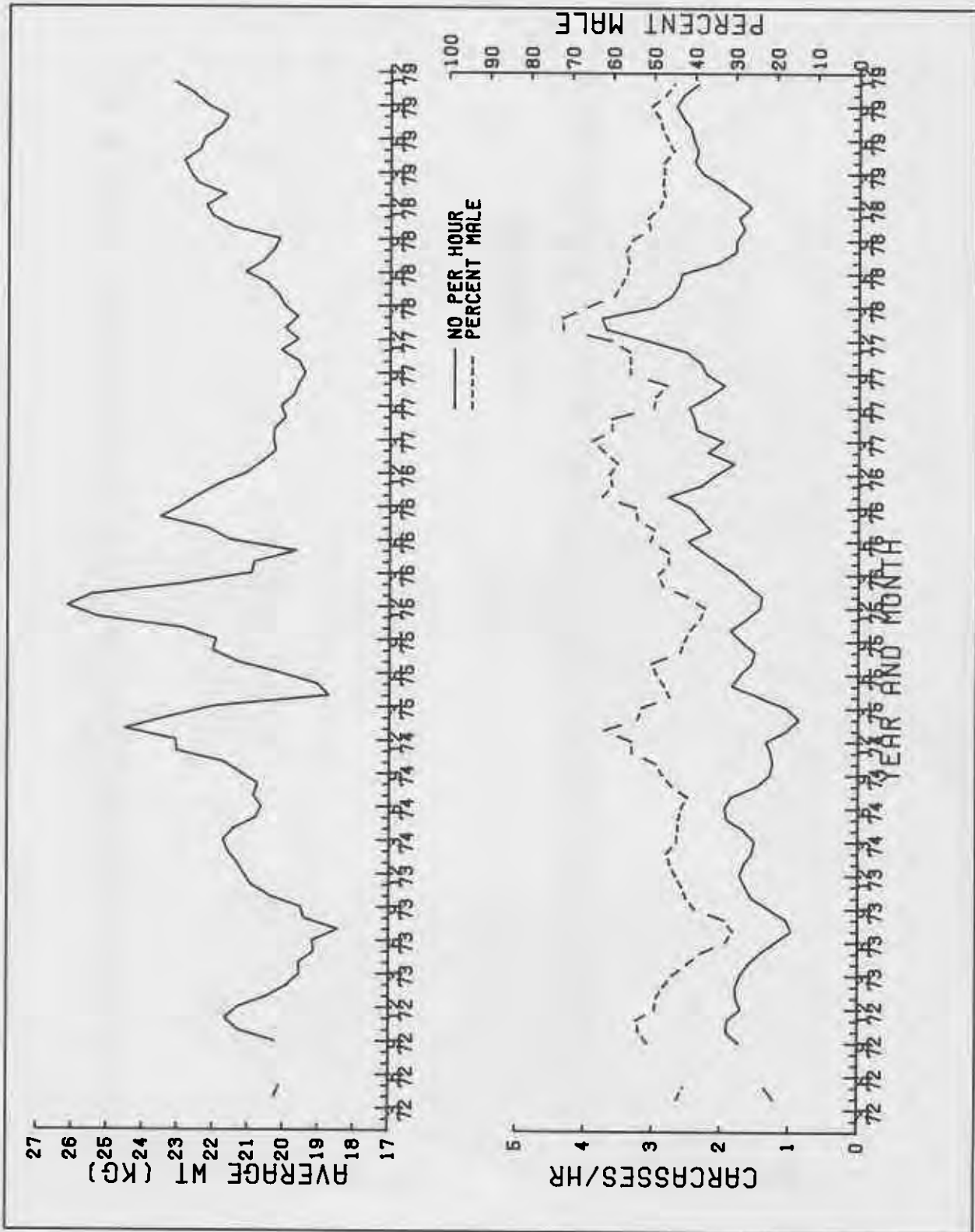


Figure 29. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Magnet Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

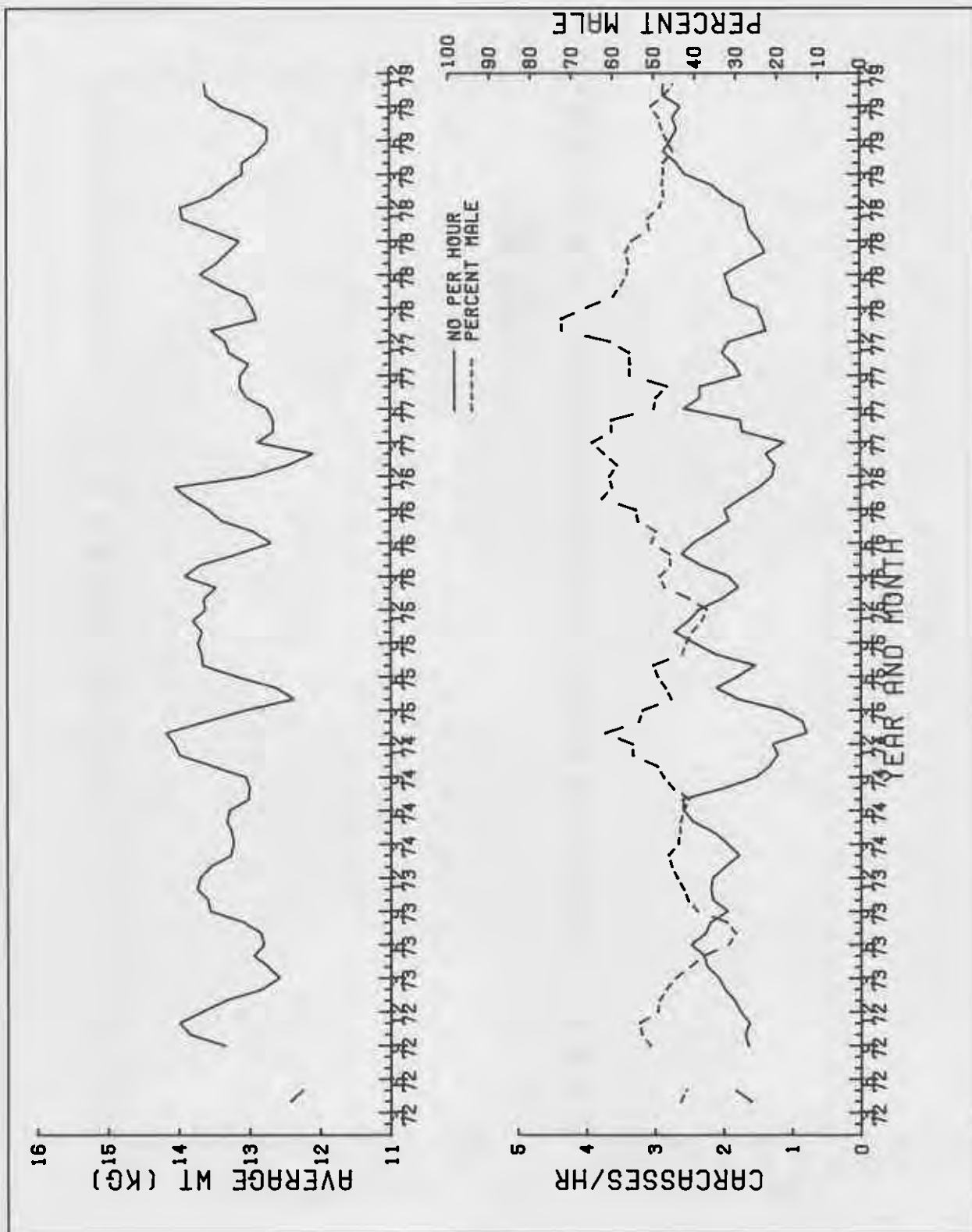


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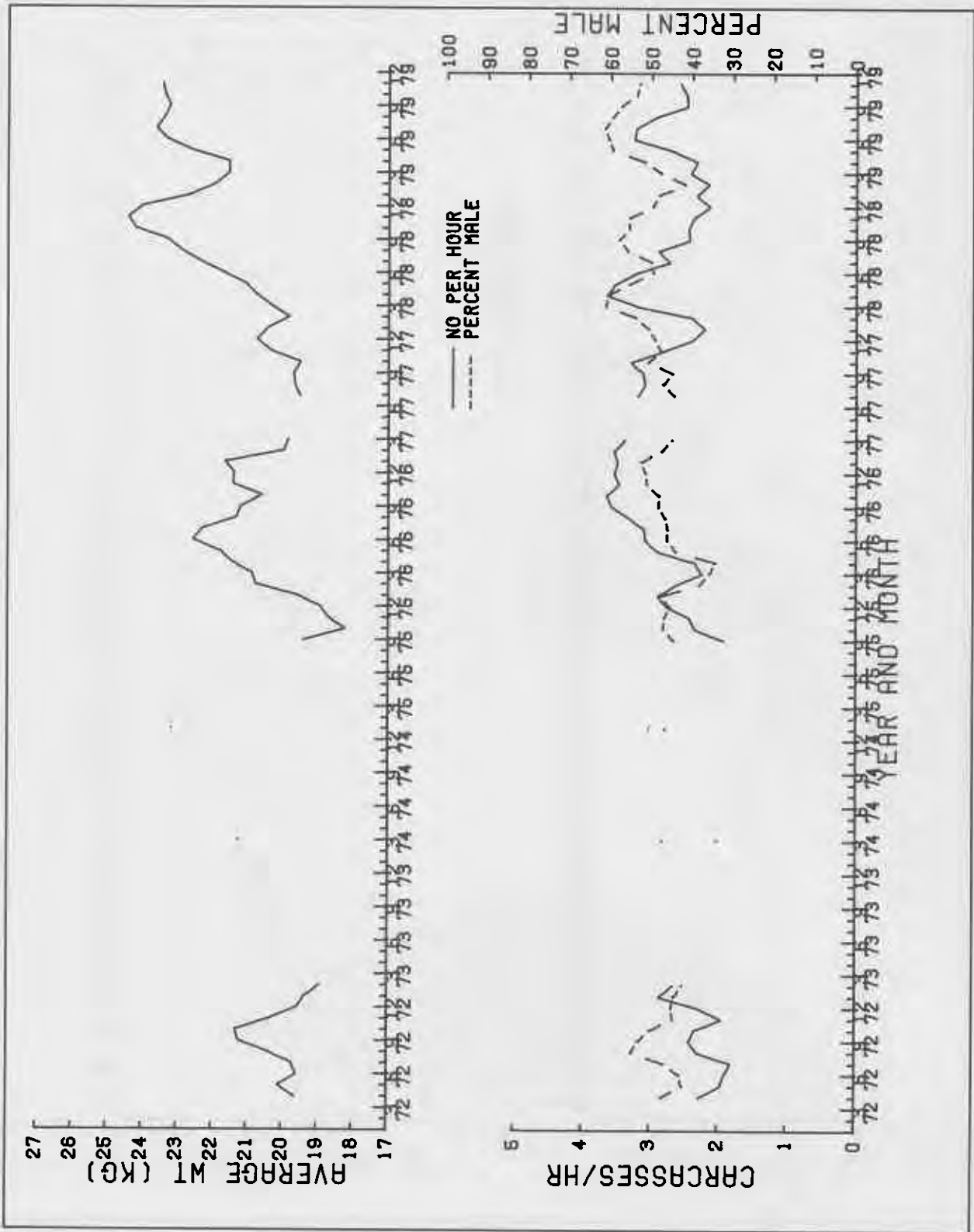


Figure 31. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Sandstone Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

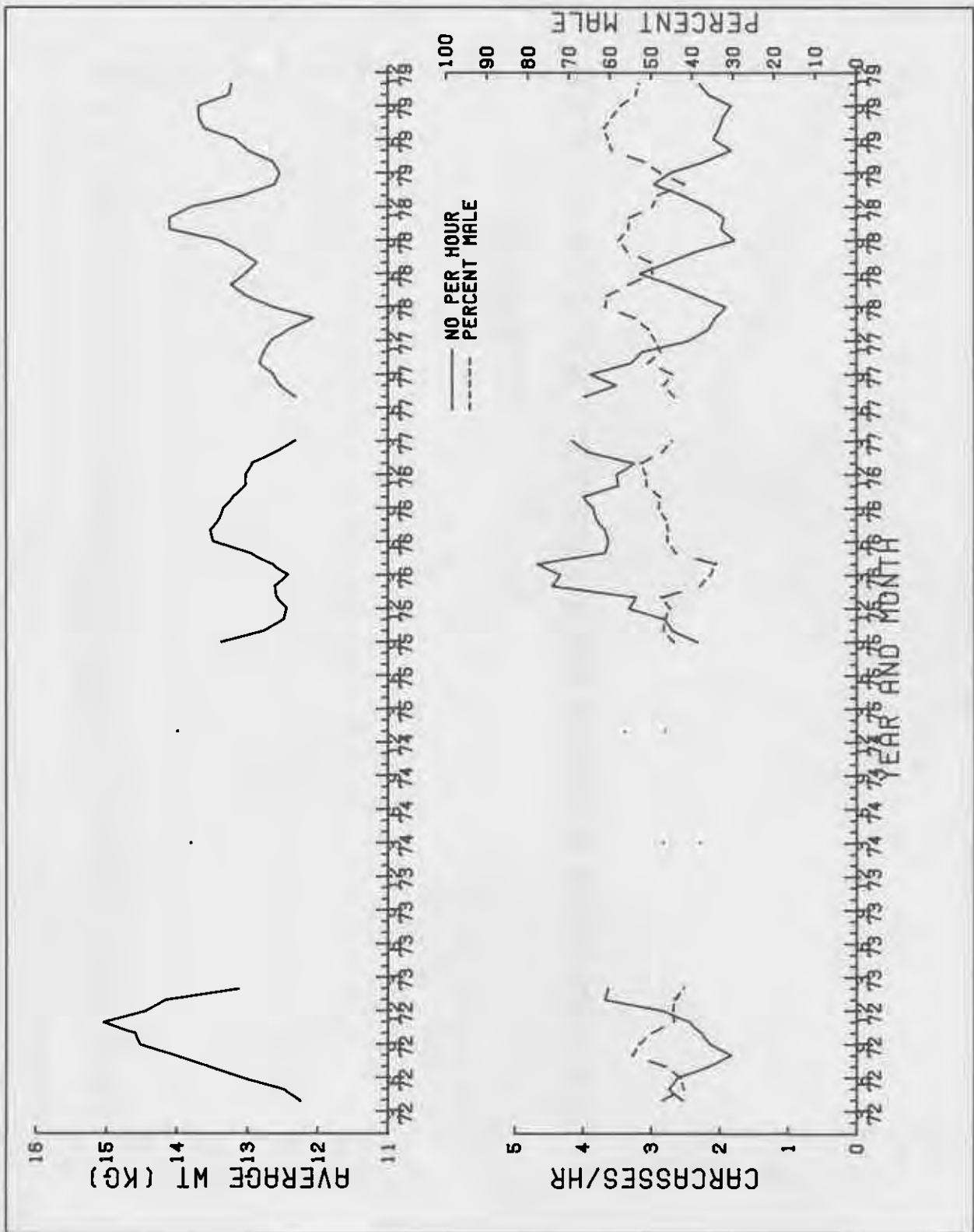


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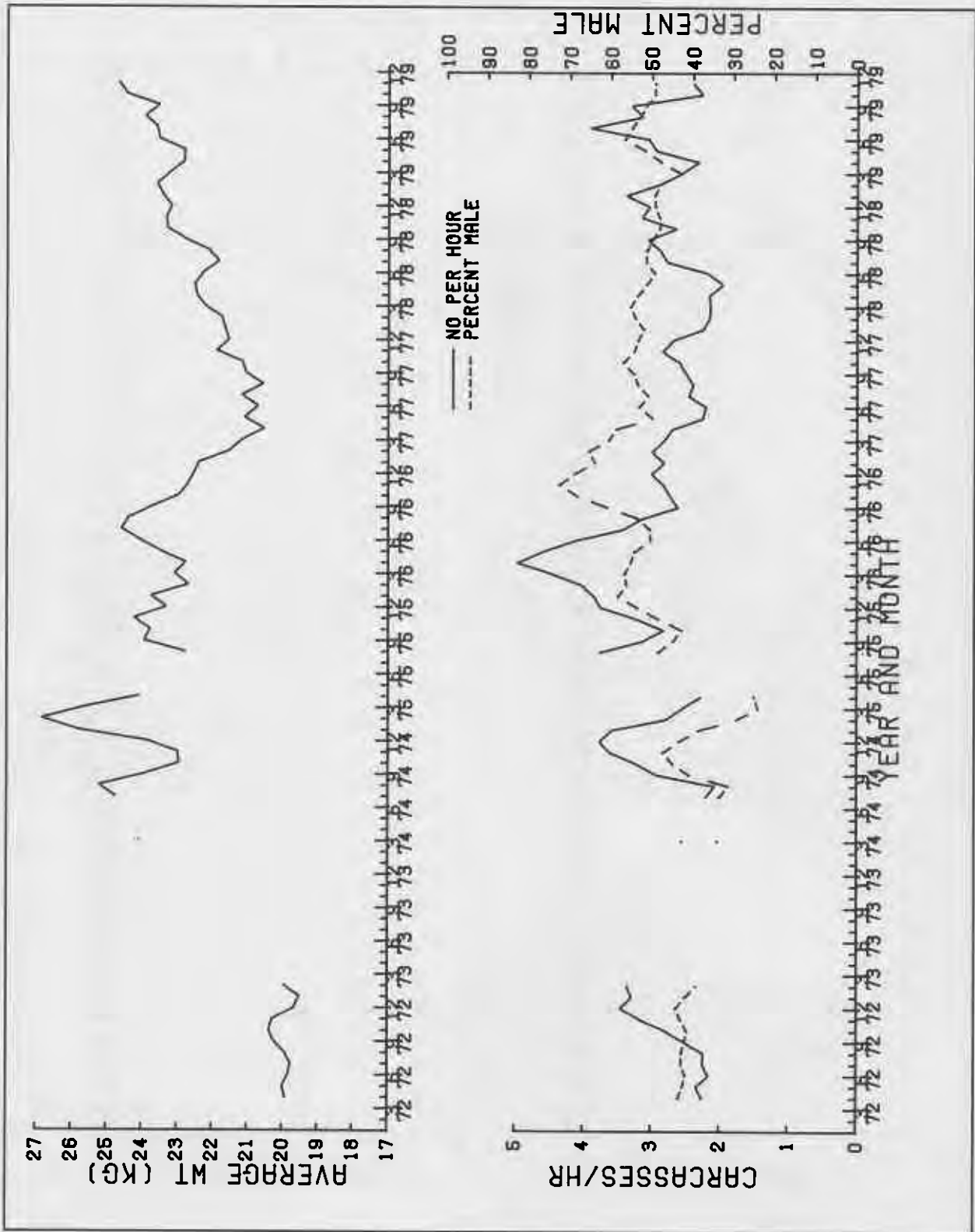


Figure 33. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Leonora-Eastern Goldfields Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

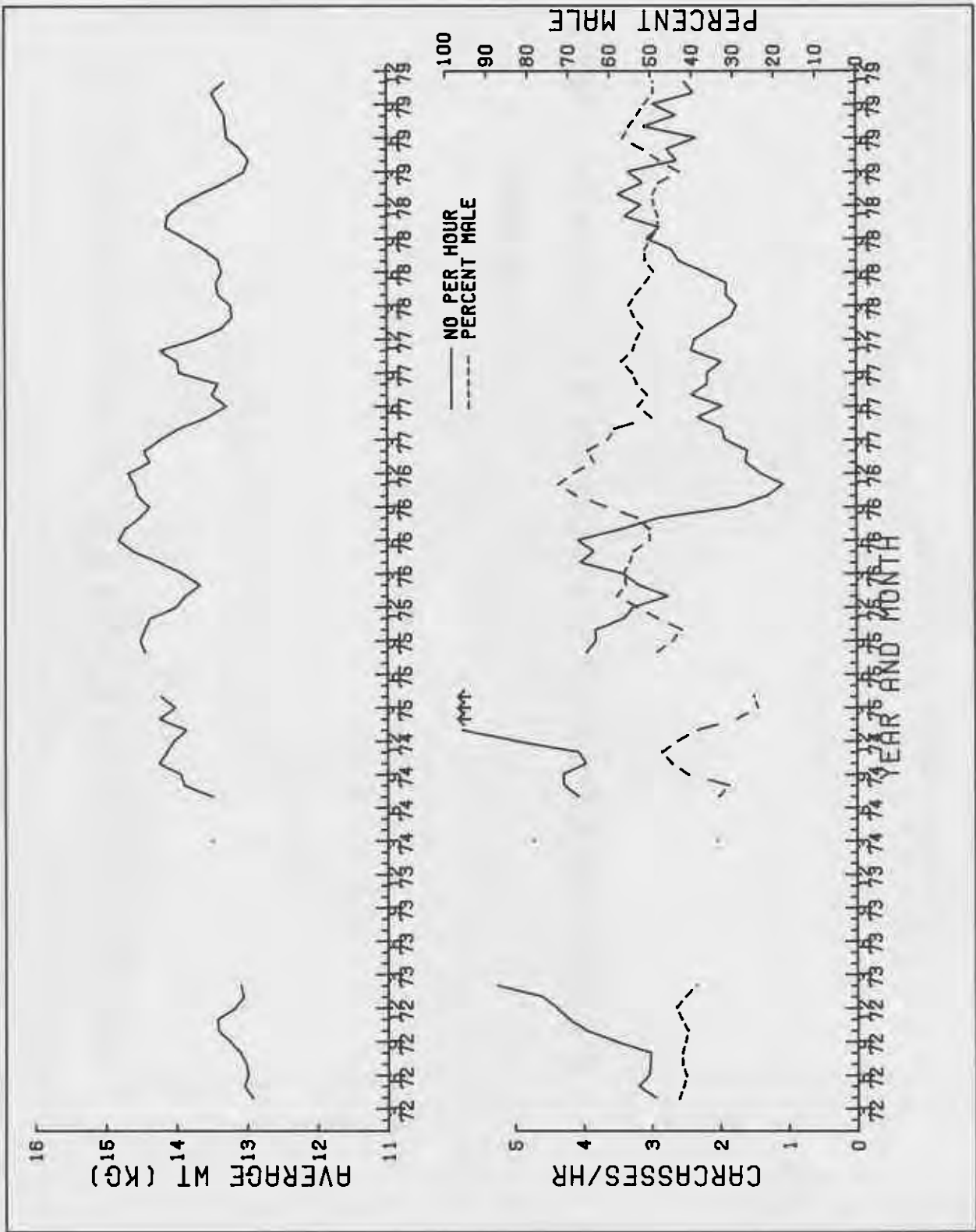


Figure 34. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for female Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Leonora-Eastern Goldfields Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

Note: Figure 34. Harvest rate values offscale indicated by ↑ are:

Month & Year	Rate	Month & Year	Rate
0275	6.50	0475	7.18
0375	7.93		

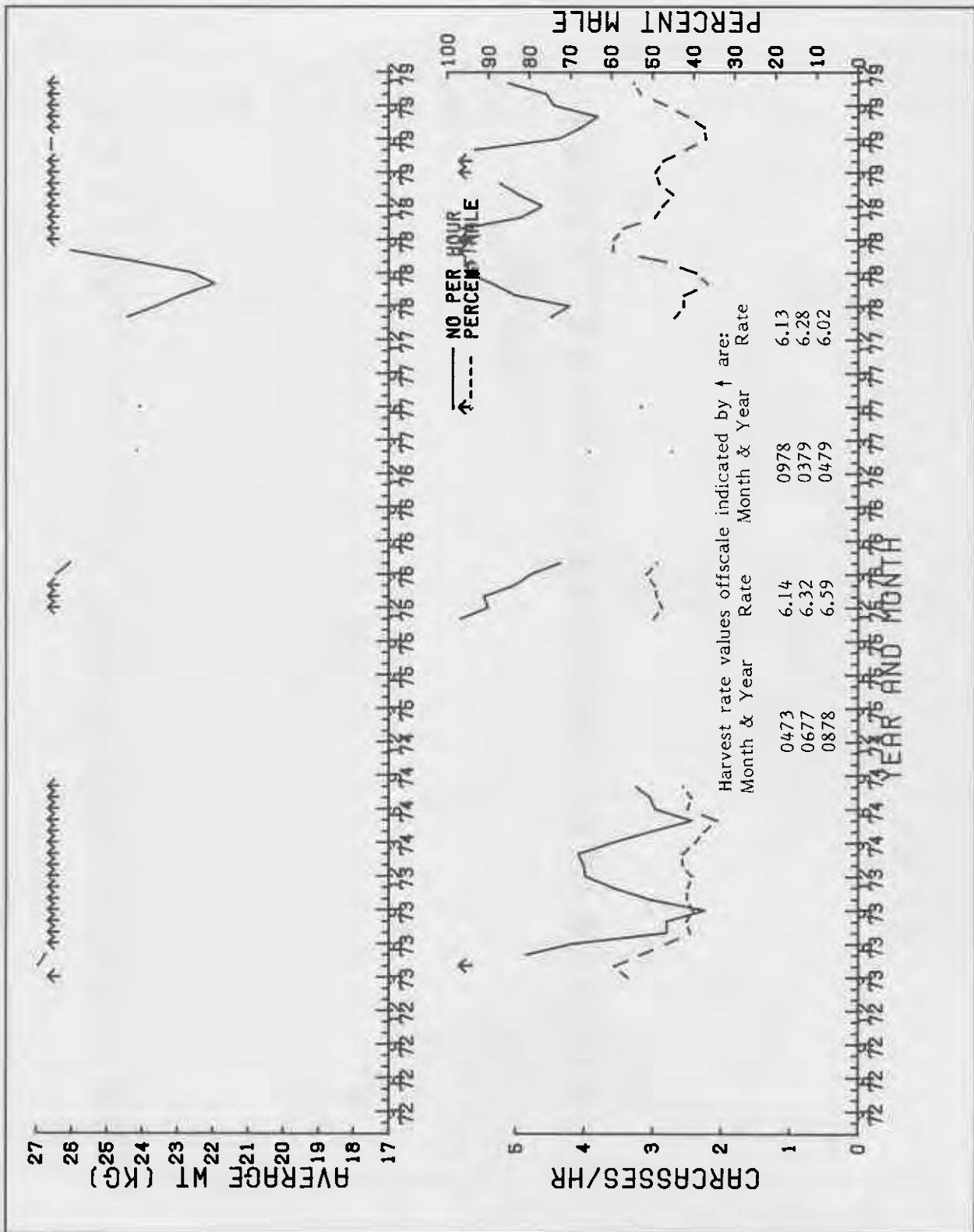


Figure 35. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for male Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Nullarbor Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

Note. Figure 35. Carcass weight values offscale indicated by ↑ are:

Month & Year	Weight	Month & Year	Weight	Month & Year	Weight	Month & Year	Weight
0373	27.7	1275	27.5	0174	28.5	0279	28.1
0673	27.6	0176	28.0	0274	28.7	0379	27.8
0773	28.7	0276	27.1	0374	28.1	0479	27.4
0873	30.8	0978	27.2	0474	28.0	0779	27.2
0973	31.4	1078	27.7	0574	27.8	0879	27.9
1073	30.7	1178	28.7	0674	28.7	0979	27.7
				0774	29.5	1079	28.5
				0874	28.4	1179	29.1

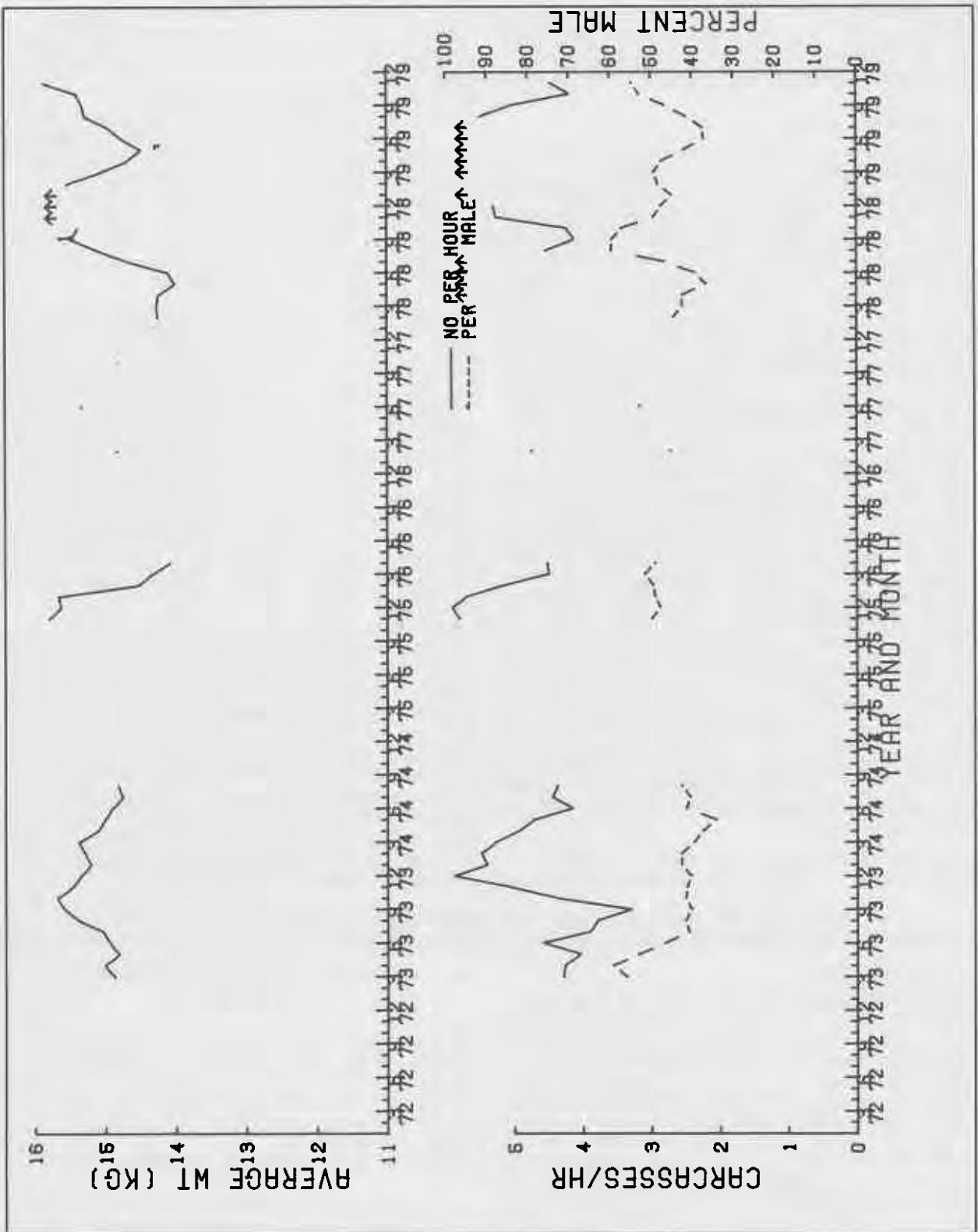


Figure 36. Patterns of variation in the three month running averages of carcass weight and harvest rate for female Red Kangaroos, and the proportion of males included in the total Nullarbor Management Area harvest - Western Australia : 1972 - 1979.

Note: Figure 36. Carcass weight values offscale indicated by ↑ are:

Harvest rate values offscale indicated by ↑ are:

Month & Year	Weight	Month & Year	Weight	Month & Year	Rate	Month & Year	Rate
				0478	6.86	0379	6.52
				0578	9.89	0479	6.69
1178	16.3	0179	16.5	0678	9.62	0579	7.69
1278	16.3			0778	7.89	0679	7.40
				0179	6.09	0779	6.91

shown in Figs. 13 - 36. The complete monthly harvest summary data relevant to these Figures are listed in Appendix II, Tables A II. 1 - A II.12. These Appendix tables also include the available 1971 data.

4. Quality of the Data

Documentation and monitoring of the operations of the kangaroo trade in Western Australia via the statutory returns required since commencement of the formal Red Kangaroo Management Programme have been facilitated by an extremely high rate of compliance, but reliability of data supplied via this type of system is a known source of general concern to critics of such programmes. In this instance, the separate accounting of numbers taken that is required by the carcass royalty tag system provides an independent check which can also be efficiently policed. The records obtained cover > 95% of the known total Red Kangaroo harvests taken over the 1971-79 period.

The accuracy of the sex and weight data is less readily verifiable. Direct sampling and comparison of the observed data with those provided on other occasions is the only practical check that can be applied here, but is also most time-consuming, and cannot therefore be used routinely. My personal experience in this regard suggests that minor mistakes due to mis-sorting of carcasses can occur, but the effects of these mistakes are of little consequence overall. Arithmetic errors are also likely to occur in compiling the composite harvest data that are entered onto the Returns, and errors in data transcription are always possible at this point. Some of the more obvious of these possible errors are able to be readily detected and corrected in transferring records to the data-base (see IV D. 1.). Further safeguard is also provided by the ability to compare harvest data provided by neighbouring shooters.

Two further points are worth remembering in the context above. Firstly, the Western Australian

Red Kangaroo Management Programme was designed to allow licensed professional shooters a continuing interest, and hence responsibility, in their trade commensurate with their primary role in rangeland kangaroo management. A major reason for irresponsibility was therefore eliminated at the start. Secondly, the scope for fabrication of truly misleading data is limited, and considerable ingenuity would be required to produce a consistent, non-systematic input of false data that could confuse analysis. Apart from this, real ability to check the veracity of data entered on Returns does exist. The commercial incentive to cheat in this situation is also low.

In conclusion, the major portion of these records has in fact been of most acceptable quality, and the evidence available suggests that assertedly misleading reports would comprise a small minority of those supplied. The consistency of the general patterning in the pooled harvest data presented in this paper (Figs. 13 - 36), and the results of the analyses attempted using the data provided (Section V and Appendix I) also suggest that false data have not been a source of any real problems. It would however be extremely naive to dismiss the possibility of deliberate data fabrication having occurred from time to time, and of some such unreliable data being incorporated into the data-base.

Problems in obtaining full supporting detail along with the basic numbers and weight data on Returns have nevertheless persisted. Omission of specific 'origin of harvest' location data has been a continuing problem, and exclusion of 'Hrs. of Hunting' information has also detracted from the value of many of the records. The fact that the problems mentioned above appear to be accentuated when turnover of shooter licensees is involved suggests that this loss of information could largely be avoided in the future by better briefing and instruction of new shooters prior to their commencing work in the field.

V PATTERNS IN THE HARVEST DATA AND MONITORING STATISTICS, 1970 - 1979, AND MAINTENANCE OF COMMERCIAL EXPLOITATION OF THE RED KANGAROO IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

A. INTRODUCTION

Kangaroo management controls being introduced in Western Australia in 1970 were based on the premise that continued commercial exploitation of the rangeland stocks of Red Kangaroos could be sustained and that this option provided the best management strategy available for conservation of the kangaroos living in this most important part of the species' range. The need seen was not to prohibit exploitation, but to ensure stability in management at a time of major change in the pattern of exploitation.

Harvesting of Red Kangaroos was continued in Western Australia throughout the 1970-1979 decade and has since been continued through 1980 - 1983 (Prince, unpublished data). The pattern of ongoing commercial exploitation of this species which probably dates back to a beginning before the end of the 19th Century (Prince 1984) has thus apparently been maintained. The question that arises now is whether this established pattern can be regarded as sustainable in the future.

B. HARVEST DISPERSION PATTERNS

1. General Consideration

The source data used to produce the harvest offtake maps (Figs. 5-12) are affected to some extent by deficiencies in reporting of the correct locations from which some of the kangaroos taken during each of the years under consideration have been obtained (IV D. 4., above). The data displayed are nevertheless sufficient to show:

- i) the general importance of that part of the State which corresponds roughly with the Murchison, Gascoyne Catchment, Carnarvon and the western coastal sector of the Ashburton (West) Management Areas (cf. Fig. 4) in making a major consistent contribution to the total State Red Kangaroo harvests; and
- ii) the changes in dispersion of hunting pressure in different parts of the State from year to year.

The intermittent hunting pattern evident in some parts of the Pilbara Management Area and in other parts of the State which are outside the core area comprising the Murchison - Gascoyne Catchment - Carnarvon Management Areas also points to the importance of the reserve kangaroo stocks held in such places in permitting annual harvests to be maintained at higher levels than would otherwise be possible at times when stocks have previously been depleted in the more favoured hunting areas.

2. Harvest Patterns and the Red Kangaroo Stocks

As explained before, 1971 harvest offtake data have not been mapped because of the incomplete source records. However, hunting increased in the Pilbara Management Area during 1972 in comparison with 1971 (cf. Appendix II, Table A II. 6) and apparently substituted in part for the declining harvest levels then observed in the Magnet, Sandstone and Leonora-Eastern Goldfields Management Areas, as did the additional expansion of hunting on the Nullarbor in 1973-1974 (Figs. 6 & 7). The coincident contraction of hunting within the Leonora-Eastern Goldfields and Sandstone Management Areas from 1972 through 1974 is particularly striking. This did in fact reflect the reduction in kangaroo numbers in these areas resulting from the combination of recruitment failure and continued hunting during the period of extended drought in this part of Western Australia from 1968 to early 1973.

The relatively uniform distribution of harvest pressure dispersion along a north-west to south-east clinal axis from about the northern coastal sector of the Carnarvon Management Area and extending towards the Leonora district as shown in Fig. 8 deserves further comment. Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia would have been widely dispersed during the last three quarters of 1975 as a consequence of widespread heavy rains. The harvest pattern shown in Fig. 8 should therefore reflect more accurately the natural pattern of abundance of the harvested Red Kangaroo stocks within the area being hunted in comparison with the harvest patterns shown in most of the other similar maps. The pattern suggested in Fig. 8 is in fact similar to that revealed by aerial census of the Western Australian Red Kangaroo populations in April-June 1981 (Caughley, in litt.; Short *et al.* 1983).

The post-1975 harvest patterns (Figs. 9 - 12) show firstly the general increase in hunting pressure which coincided with the onset of drought during 1976 (and its eventual persistence into 1980), but harvest pressure being maintained within the core hunting areas (e.g. Murchison, Gascoyne Catchment) had already declined by 1979 (Fig. 12). The relatively more patchy dispersion of the decreased harvest pressure maintained during 1979 in comparison with 1975 (Fig. 8) is consistent with the view that the Red Kangaroo stocks present at the end of 1979 were less abundant than those present in 1975 (e.g. Frith and Calaby 1969, Fig. 11). The bulk of the evidence available also suggests that the stocks present in 1975 were less abundant than in 1972.

C. PATTERNS OF VARIATION IN THE HARVEST MONITORING STATISTICS

1. Preface

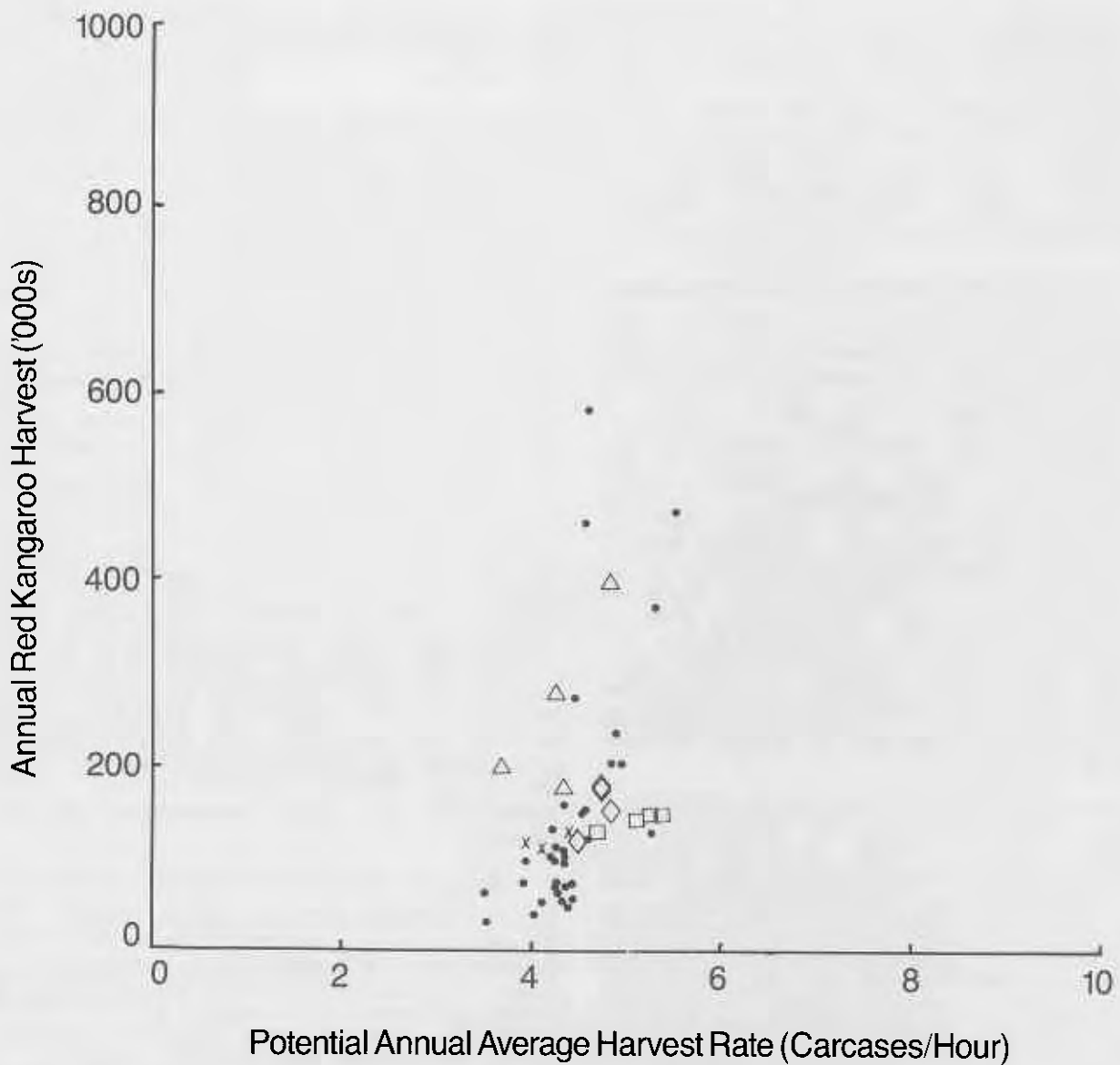
Preliminary analyses of the sources of variation in the observed harvest rate (= C/f) patterns in three of the main State Management Areas are presented and discussed in Appendix I. Prince (1984, Appendix I) also presents an analysis of the factors explaining the major part of the observed pattern of variation in the annual commercial Red Kangaroo harvests taken in Western Australia before 1970.

Results of the above mentioned analyses of the patterns in the modern C/f data (Appendix I) were generally consistent with the initial assumptions made regarding the dynamics of the exploited kangaroo stocks and the interaction between these stocks and the professional shooters. The main factors found to affect the patterns of variation examined in each of the two series of analyses noted above were also generally consistent, i.e. immediate short-term rainfall patterns affecting the harvesting of surplus kangaroos, with the available surplus being related to longer-term prior rainfall patterns, so it seems probable that commercial exploitation of the Red Kangaroo in Western Australia at present can be considered as an extension of a long established pattern. The proposition that hunting during the past decade has conformed to the historic harvest pattern is further explored below. Some implications for future management are also discussed.

2. Basis for Comparison of Harvest Patterns

The best pastoral rangeland habitat coincides with the usual areas of greatest abundance of the Red Kangaroo and the kangaroo trade is dependent on exploitation of these stocks. It follows that if the commercial harvests documented in the historic harvest record (Prince 1984, Table 1) did generally reflect the changing abundance and productivity of the Red Kangaroo stocks, and that the modern (1970-1979) harvests have also conformed to this same pattern, then two cross-relationships between harvest data pertaining to these separate parts of the harvest record should be demonstrable. Firstly, it should be possible to show a close relationship between the historic harvests and the calculated average annual harvest rates which could have been obtained by shooters in those years if operating similarly to modern shooters. Secondly, there should be a reasonable correspondence between the harvests taken during the 1970-1979 decade and those predicted to be available over this same period by equations derived from the analysis of the historic harvest pattern.

The hypotheses above can be tested because, in the case of the C/f indices, the major patterns can generally be described by a combination of rainfall variables alone (Appendix I), and only one further assumption concerning the sex-ratio in the harvests taken is required for calculating the C/f indices applicable to the total harvests when considering the harvest rates possibly attainable



KEY	
• 1919-1953	x 1973-1975
◊ 1965-1968	◻ 1976-1979
△ 1969-1972	

Figure 37. Relationship between the annual Red Kangaroo harvests taken in Western Australia from 1919 through 1953 and the potentially attainable annual average harvest rates in the corresponding years within the present Murchison State Management Area, and comparisons with similar data for the period 1965 through 1979.

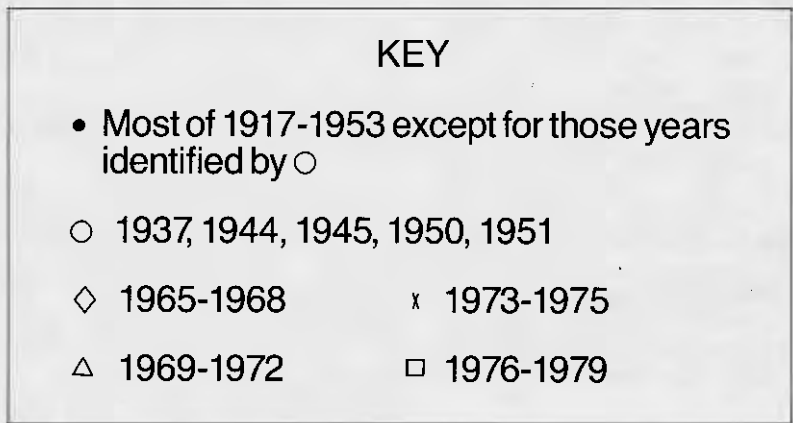
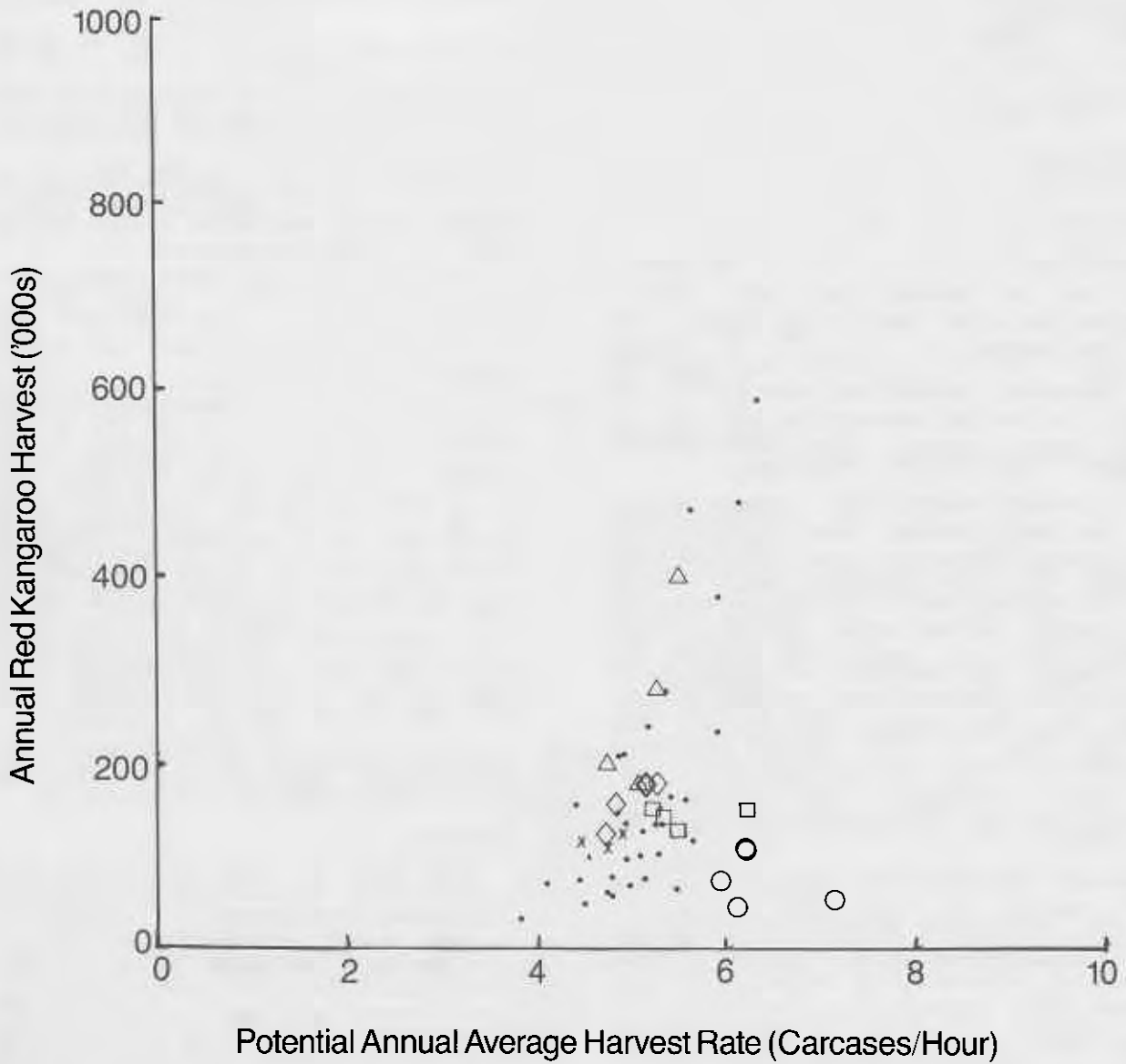


Figure 38. Relationship between the annual Red Kangaroo harvests taken in Western Australia from 1917 through 1953 and the potentially attainable annual average harvest rates in the corresponding years within the present Gascoyne Catchment State Management area and comparisons with similar data for the period 1965 through 1979.

within the Murchison Management Area. The input variables required for predicting the possible pattern of available harvests within the period covered by the modern harvest record are also independent of any knowledge of these harvests (Prince 1984, Appendix I).

In making a test of the hypothesis that potentially attainable annual average harvest rates should be related to the recorded historic harvest levels it was necessary to further assume that the harvests taken before 1970 within the presently defined Murchison and Gascoyne Catchment Management Areas (Fig. 4) retained their same relative importance, one to the other and in relation to the total State harvests, as in the 1970-1979 decade (see Figs. 5 - 12 and Appendix II) when these two areas consistently provided the major part of the harvest. The lack of information on the origin of all the animals included in the former harvests precluded any more detailed comparisons.

Expected monthly average male + female harvest rates that could formerly have been attainable within the two Management Areas mentioned were calculated from the appropriate rainfall records using the equations derived in Appendix I, and a simple average of the twelve separate monthly estimates within each calendar year provided the annual average C/f estimates. It was assumed in calculating the Murchison Area estimates that the harvests taken there before 1970 included 50% males (cf. Fig. 15). The relevant correlation coefficients for testing the association between the two variables considered in these analyses were calculated using the SPSS programme package (Nie et al. 1975).

Two different estimates of the potentially available annual harvests for each year within the 1970-1979 decade were calculated for comparison with the actual harvests taken. The first of these estimates was calculated from the equation fitted by Prince (1984, Appendix I) to the harvest data block including the 1915-1953 plus 1965-1972 harvests, and the second from the similar equation fitted to the 1915-1953 harvest data alone (ibid.).

3. Results

The relationships between the historic annual Red Kangaroo harvests taken in Western Australia (from 1917 onwards, Prince 1984, Table 2) and the potentially attainable annual average male + female harvest rates calculated for each of the presently defined Gascoyne Catchment and Murchison Management Areas (see Fig. 4) are shown in Figs. 37 and 38. The correlation between the Murchison Management Area annual harvest rate estimates and the observed total State Red Kangaroo harvests obviously provides the better fit, but the discrepancy in goodness of fit in regard to the early Gascoyne Catchment harvest rate estimates is associated with the cluster of c. five points located towards the lower right hand sector of the data in Fig. 38.

Figures 37 and 38 also include comparisons relating to harvests during the 1965 - 1979 period during which the Western Australian kangaroo trade was based on carcasses in contrast with the pre-1954 trade in dry skins only. The general similarity of

the patterns in the data displayed in each figure is evident.

The important points to note from Figs. 37 and 38 are:

- i) the relative scarcity of annual harvest totals much in excess of 200 000 Red Kangaroos per annum;
- ii) the absence of any recorded harvests at potential or observed annual average male + female harvest rates below a lower limit of about 3.5 carcasses/hunting hour;
- iii) the distribution of the major proportion of the data points around the apparent point of inflection of a curve with lower and upper asymptotes tending to zero and infinity respectively; and,
- iv) the distribution of different nominated sub-sets of data relative to the general distribution of the data displayed. The majority of the 1965 through 1975 points tend to lie along or near the upper left boundary of the data set, i.e. annual harvests taken during this period were relatively high in comparison with the harvest rates, whereas data for the four drought years 1976 through 1979 tend to lie towards the lower right, i.e. harvests taken during this period tended to be lower than might otherwise have been expected, particularly with respect to the Murchison data set (Fig. 37).

The comparison between the predicted harvests and the actual harvests taken during the 1970-1979 period is detailed in Table 2.

4. Discussion

It is clear that the total numbers of Red Kangaroos taken in Western Australia during the 1970-1979 decade were greater than the combined total average harvests predicted by either of the equations describing variability in the historic harvests, and that the total discrepancy between the actual harvests taken and the sums of either of the separate estimates of the annual average harvests is not inconsequential, particularly in regard to the estimates based on the equation fitted to the 1915-1953 harvest data alone (Table 2). To put these results in perspective, the apparent average annual excess harvest during the 1970-1979 decade was between 27 650 and 44 400 carcasses per annum. The inferences to be drawn from these comparisons are consistent with those suggested by the data included in Figs. 37 and 38.

The harvest discrepancies noted above raise two important questions. Firstly, does the apparent pattern of accumulation of the putative excess harvest tell us anything about the impact of decisions taken pursuant to the Management Programme on the course of commercial harvesting of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia, and secondly, what proportional change in the total Red Kangaroo stocks might have resulted from this apparent excess harvest?

If we concentrate our attention on the comparison between the actual harvests taken and the estimates of available harvests based on the 1915-1953 plus 1965-1972 predictive equation, it

Table 2.

Comparison of the Annual Red Kangaroo Harvests Taken in Western Australia from 1970 through 1979 with Predicted Annual Harvests for these Years Based on an Analysis of the Historic State Harvest Record for this Species (from Prince 1984).

YEAR	HARVEST TOTAL (Nearest 500)	HARVEST PREDICTIONS (mean with 95% Confidence Limits)			
		1915-53 + 1965-72 Equation		1915-53 Equation	
1970	275 000	151 500	192 500	132 500	166 000
			119 000		105 500
1971	173 000	141 000	182 000	127 000	162 000
			109 000		99 500
1972	198 000	142 500	189 500	134 000	177 000
			107 000		102 000
1973	118 500	110 000	152 000	104 000	142 000
			79 500		76 000
1974	129 000	105 000	130 000	92 000	114 000
			84 500		74 500
1975	110 000	94 000	121 000	83 000	107 000
			73 500		64 500
1976	144 000	204 000	288 000	174 000	247 000
			144 500		122 500
1977	151 500	179 000	236 500	146 000	191 500
			135 500		111 500
1978	131 000	80 000	112 000	65 000	92 000
			57 000		46 000
1979	150 500	94 000	138 000	76 000	111 500
			64 500		51 500
TOTALS	1 580 500	1 301 000	1 741 500	1 133 500	1 510 000
			974 000		853 500

is clear that the major part of the apparent excess harvest was accumulated during the first three years of the decade. In contrast, the total harvest taken during the four drought years 1976 through 1979 at the end of the decade was closer to that predicted to be available, although the harvest pattern achieved obviously differed from that predicted. The apparent limitation on the harvests taken during the first two years 1976 and 1977 may be attributed to effective constraint of the total harvest effort consequent upon conscious management decisions (see III B.), but the harvest effort available during 1978 and 1979 was nevertheless sufficient apparently to account for all the remaining kangaroos that might otherwise have been taken in 1976 and 1977. In this context, management decisions apparently influenced the harvest pattern but not the possible total harvest.

The comparison between the pattern of actual harvests and the harvest pattern predicted from the 1915-1953 harvest variation equation is similar to that described above, except for the fact that a consistent pattern of excess harvest is suggested. If this latter comparison was the more correct (of the two made in this instance) then the excess harvest indicated is approximately 30% of the minimum numbers considered to have comprised the exploited Red Kangaroo stocks within Western Australia during the 1970-1979 decade. The question now is whether we can discriminate further between the two harvest patterns suggested in regard to the actual impact of harvesting on kangaroo abundance.

An appreciable reduction in Red Kangaroo numbers on the Western Australian rangelands was certainly effected by increased commercial exploitation through 1969 to the end of 1972, and the apparent harvest excess during this four year period was equivalent to c. 40-45% of the total harvest taken, e.g. the total commercial Red Kangaroo harvest over this period was approximately 1.05 million, and the predicted excess was between 395 000 ('1915-53 + 1965-72' predictions compared) and 480 000 ('1915-53' predictions) animals. There is little practical difference between these two comparisons, so we are not assisted in making a choice between the two predictive equations, but we can say that the total reduction in the Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia between 1969 and 1972 relative to the pattern of assumed average sustainable variations in numbers following droughts on past evidence could at least have been within the range between 400 000 and one million kangaroos.

Drought in 1976 through 1979 was apparently more intense than that experienced during the 1969-1972 period (cf. Table 1, Annual Rainfall Indices) so the relative impact of this drought on the existing kangaroo stocks could have been expected to be greater than that occurring in 1969-1972. The total harvest taken from 1976 through 1979 did not however amount to any more than 55% of that taken through 1969-1972, and the annual harvests taken during the four years 1976 - 1979 tend also to be less than might generally have been expected from the

comparison between the annual average male + female harvest rates and the historic correlation between total harvests and potential male + female harvest rates calculated for the Gascoyne Catchment and Murchison Management Areas (Figs. 37 and 38). This result suggests that the reduction in Red Kangaroo numbers achieved in the early 1970s had not been reversed by the beginning of 1976. Continued exploitation in the following four drought years would have further depleted the numbers. The total reduction occurring in this latter period could have been as much as 600 000 kangaroos relative to the pre-1976 stocks, and would be expected to have had a proportionately greater impact on these stocks than the apparent excess harvests of the early 1970s.

Further support for the latter conclusion is provided by the fact that the combined efforts of a group of 30 additional temporary shooter licensees were required to assist in holding the 1979 harvest to 150 000 carcasses (Table 1), and that during 1980 (Prince, unpublished data) the average male harvest rate continued to decline relative to 1976-1977, the average female harvest rate also dropped, and a much wider dispersal of the available shooting effort achieved a total harvest of only 100 000 carcasses.

The harvest data discussed above clearly suggest that continued harvesting during the 1970-1979 decade was associated with an attrition of the total Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia, and that the numbers present at the end of 1979 were at the lowest point for at least ten years. The most recent extended drought was not broken until mid-1980, so with a minimum of two years from resumption of breeding to recruitment of additional animals to the harvested stocks following the break of the drought, the continued harvesting during 1980-1981 would be expected to have further depleted kangaroo numbers. Aerial census of the Western Australian Red Kangaroos during April-June 1981 suggested that the total State population then numbered approximately one million animals (Caughley, pers. comm.; Short *et al.* 1983). The exploited pastoral rangeland sector of this population numbered about 750 000 kangaroos.

Having considered the likely impact of harvesting on the stocks, we can now return to the problem of choice between the two harvest prediction equations as the most reasonable predictors of future available harvests. In total, the sums of the available annual harvests suggested for the 1970-1979 decade really differ very little relative to the expected numbers in the total Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia, e.g. the maximum difference between the two annual estimates made is 30-33 thousand carcasses in 1976 and 1977 (Table 2), so with the annual average sustainable offtake ratio probably being close to 10% of the exploited stocks, the higher excess harvest estimate would represent a maximum over harvest of less than 5% of the total stocks within any single year and would usually be expected to be much less (c. 1%). There is no practically justifiable value in attempting to attain more precise annual harvest regulation than this in

Western Australia. Persistent marginal over-harvesting of an exploited species does however generate long term problems.

Because the predicted annual harvest discrepancies were increased through the latter half of the 1970-1979 record (Table 2) and the decline in the Red Kangaroo stocks would be expected to

VI GENERAL DISCUSSION

The 1970-1979 decade saw the Western Australian Department of Fisheries and Wildlife (formerly Fisheries and Fauna) assume a primary role in relation to conservation of the State's kangaroo populations and, for the first time, impose effective controls over the course of commercial exploitation. The change in emphasis of official policy on management of the State's kangaroo populations which occurred over the period from 1965 through 1970 resulted from increasing concern over the possible impact of a revitalized commercial kangaroo trade on existing kangaroo populations. The lack of any real knowledge of the total impact of this trade posed a special problem at this time.

By 1969 it was clear however that the State's Red Kangaroos were bearing the brunt of a substantial but poorly documented exploitation pressure. Earlier strong public concern regarding the impact of similar developments in eastern Australia and persistent rumours of impending expansion of the impact of this exploitation in Western Australia were sufficient reasons to induce a change in the former largely *laissez faire* approach to kangaroo exploitation and management by the State fauna authorities (Prince 1984).

Management of Red Kangaroos on the arid and semi-arid rangelands of the North West and Murchison and associated areas of the State being utilized by the pastoral industry provided a most interesting challenge. Existing knowledge of the biology of the Red Kangaroo, and of its distribution in Western Australia, suggested that the major concentrations of this species were coincident with the best pastoral lands, and that management objectives could best be considered in the context of the wider problem of achieving sustainable use of these rangelands.

Because the Red Kangaroo populations living outside the areas of potential land-use conflict posed no real problems in land management, the greater legal protection available under the Fauna Conservation Act, 1950-1969 could be extended to them. On the other hand, controlled commercial harvesting of the natural increase produced by those kangaroo stocks coexisting with the domestic livestock of the pastoral industry on the better quality rangelands supplemented by additional water points was seen to provide the most productive and useful management compromise by taking into account the needs of both wildlife conservation and the pastoral industry in this potential conflict situation. The kangaroo industry could therefore be accommodated in a management service role while being permitted to pursue its own particular goals within the limits set by variations in the biological productivity of the exploited kangaroo stocks.

continue into the early 1980s, it is therefore prudent to consider that the harvest prediction equation providing the lower available harvest estimates, i.e. the equation based on the '1915-1953' harvest pattern analysis (Prince 1984, Appendix I), will provide the better estimates of the annual available harvests in the near future. The data in Figs. 37 and 38 suggest the same.

Commercial trade in kangaroos in Western Australia since 1970 has therefore been involved only in those situations where the potential for land-use conflict has existed, and in these instances harvest impact has generally been regulated in accordance with management need and biological indicators. Commercial factors have been assigned a secondary role only, relative to implementation of basic management decisions.

The functional organization of the State's kangaroo trade in Western Australia in 1970 was readily amenable to imposition of effective legal constraints providing the means for control and adequate documentation of the trade itself, and this was done. However, the move by the Western Australian Department of Fisheries and Fauna to assume formal control of exploitation of the Red Kangaroo at this time caused considerable misapprehension among those who considered themselves most likely to be directly affected by any changes that might ensue. The opportunities for basic misunderstanding of the objects of the formal management policy that was being implemented were removed with the establishment of a representative Ministerial Advisory Committee during 1971, which has since continued to provide a forum for review of the programme and discussion of problems between the interested parties, and a source of advice to the Minister for Fisheries and Wildlife on ongoing management.

Necessary recognition of the need for adequate control of rangeland grazing pressure as a component of kangaroo management policy was further emphasized during 1974 with implementation of a rangeland rehabilitation programme for degraded rangeland within the Gascoyne Catchment (see Wilcox and McKinnon 1972).

The generalised frequency distributions of the specific local average yearly rates of harvest offtake for Red Kangaroos recorded in Western Australia since 1971 and plotted in Figs. 5 - 12 were similar in pattern to that apparently found by Sinclair (1977) in his examination of the 1975 harvest data for New South Wales, although a greater range of values and a higher frequency of relatively high rates of offtake appears to have applied within Western Australia. In part, this apparent difference may be attributable to differences in the methods of calculating the respective offtake data. Deficiencies in reporting of the areas of origin of some sectors of the Western Australian harvests as mentioned previously (e.g. IV D. 4.) could also have distorted some of the calculated offtake figures for this State. Nevertheless, the general similarity in the offtake figures noted above is supportive of the view that the recent harvest impact on the Western Australian Red Kangaroo stocks has been

greater than in New South Wales. Primary reasons for this difference may be ascribed to the generally greater vulnerability to exploitation of the Western Australian Red Kangaroos (see Newsome 1971, Fig. 7), and the lower intrinsic productivity of the Western Australian rangelands (Fitzpatrick and Nix 1970; Moore 1970, pp. 96-7).

The Red Kangaroo harvests taken in Western Australia since 1915 (Prince 1984, Fig. 6; and Figs. 37 and 38, this paper) have usually been < 200 000 per annum. In the few instances in the past where the annual harvests have exceeded 200 000 in consecutive years, such cumulative harvests appear to have been associated with appreciable reductions in the numbers of kangaroos remaining on the rangelands in succeeding years. The pattern of harvests and apparent kangaroo population responses observed through the 1970-1979 decade is consistent with this established pattern, so the operation of the Western Australian Red Kangaroo Management Programme in controlling and directing the course of commercial exploitation of the State's rangeland Red Kangaroo stocks during 1971-1979 has ensured continuity, rather than having imposed any major changes in exploitation. The programme has however demonstrated its capacity to limit the actual harvest levels achieved where this action has been considered necessary, e.g. 1976, 1977, and has protected part of the Red Kangaroo population from exploitation. The objectives set for the programme have therefore been satisfied. Nevertheless, the numbers of Red Kangaroos remaining on the State's pastoral rangelands at the end of 1979 were apparently much lower than ten years previously, and we know that the total State Red Kangaroo population numbered about one million in mid-1981 (Caughley, pers. comm.). The question that arises now is therefore, where do we go in the future?

Species survival is not presently in contention because the persistence of protected populations off the pastoral rangelands has been an integral part of the management strategy adopted, and reasonable numbers of Red Kangaroos remain on the pastoral rangelands. However, continuity of exploitation and the persistence of the Red Kangaroo on the State's rangelands is inextricably linked to the issue of development of an ecologically sensitive and sustainable environmental management strategy for these arid areas. Newsome (1975) has considered the possible risks to the larger kangaroos that could flow from continued degradation of Australia's arid lands.

Declining productivity of important areas of rangelands currently being exploited by the State's pastoral industry poses special problems in land management, and also threatens the long-term commercial viability of some of the established pastoral enterprises. These problems were exacerbated by the further decline in productivity of the dependent livestock populations during the extended 1976-1980 drought and the co-incident adverse changes in general economic factors affecting the pastoral industry. Implementation of restorative rangeland management programmes in the affected areas is the first line of attack in

attempting solution of the problems mentioned, but this action cannot be considered in isolation.

Joint use of the pastoral rangelands by the Red Kangaroo and domestic livestock populations could lead to changes in emphasis of the established Red Kangaroo Management Programme in the future. Even so, it is most important to remember here that the most consistent Red Kangaroo harvests during the 1970-79 decade were obtained from the general area of the Murchison, Gascoyne Catchment and Carnarvon Management Areas, and that these areas appear historically to have also been major contributors to earlier State harvests.

Apart from the protected sector of the State's Red Kangaroo population, the most abundant residual managed stocks are still found in the above mentioned parts of the State (Caughley, pers. comm.; Short *et al.* 1983), and the distribution of these kangaroos generally co-incides with the acknowledged best rangeland areas. These areas are also those identified by Jennings *et al.* (1979) as the areas most likely to support profitable pastoral enterprises in the future. Kangaroo management similar to that in recent times will therefore be a continuing requirement. The available harvests in the immediate future can however be expected to be lower than those taken during the past decade.

Because recent harvesting operations of the kangaroo carcase trade have differed only in degree from those sustained in the past, the possibility of continued commercial exploitation triggering a population collapse in the near future is considered most unlikely, particularly in view of the protective cover provided by constraints imposed by the existing Management Policy. This judgement should not however be taken to mean that management oversight of commercial exploitation is unnecessary, or that problems requiring harder management choices being made than hitherto will not arise in the future. Closer scrutiny of the situation is needed to put these matters in their proper perspective.

The questions being addressed at this point are:

- i) how apparently did the fortuitous balance between productivity and exploitation of the Western Australian Red Kangaroo stocks arise; and,
- ii) how has this balance been maintained during the past decade?

In over-view, the two factors seeming to have most relevance in appreciation of the seemingly lucky balance achieved between exploitation and productivity of the Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia are the relatively low market values of kangaroos that have generally prevailed for most of the period during which this species has been exploited within the State, and the apparently patchy dispersion and often intermittent impact of hunting with respect to local kangaroo stocks.

Historically, the dry-skin trade apparently favoured a much stronger seasonal bias in hunting effort than the modern carcase trade, so while relative unit values for kangaroo skins were sometimes much higher than those available during the past decade (see Prince 1984, Appendix I, Fig. A I. 1),

the net impact of harvest on the kangaroo stocks probably was not then generally as great as it might now be with consistent hunting at similar price levels. Thus, in the past, probable gear and hunting saturation problems and other difficulties encountered by shooters during the shortened major hunting period apparently substituted for the lack of formal constraints on the available harvest effort, the imposition of which became necessary in the early 1970s after observing the increased modern hunting impact occasioned by rising prices and drought in the late 1960s (Prince 1984). Changes affecting the volume of the kangaroo trade from the mid-1960s to the present are therefore of more direct relevance to discussion of future management needs.

The real market values on offer to professional skin shooters were at rock bottom commencing 1952 and followed through to 1966 when the growing kangaroo meat trade turned towards increased dependence on exploitation of the Red Kangaroo. The prices for kangaroos being offered by the carcase trade before 1966 were apparently little different from those available from the sale of dry skins and are matched only by the minimum prices of the early 1930s (Prince 1984, Appendix I, Fig A I. 1). The standardized average unit values on offer during each of these two periods were equivalent to $\leq 2\%$ of the alternative wage rates potentially obtainable by persons who might at the time have considered becoming professional kangaroo shooters. The relatively low economic returns available from kangaroo harvesting during the 1952 - 1966 period obviously provided no great incentive for exploitation because the commercial harvests taken through 1952 - 1966 were practically of little consequence, even though there was no formal limitation on hunting. From 1966, however, market values commenced a rise which was sustained through to the end of 1972, being terminated in early 1973 only on loss of the United States skin market. During this last short period the market prices on offer for kangaroos were similar to those commonly available in earlier times (c. 4% of alternative wages). With this increased economic incentive and the aid of drought in 1969 and 1970, the harvest offtake was dramatically increased.

Management controls introduced through 1970-1971 quelled this increase in harvest pressure, and with the aid of improved rainfall in 1971 the harvest was substantially reduced. Even so, another dry year in 1972 combined with the continued buoyant market demand led to an appreciable rise in the harvest, and this harvest was substantially greater than any of the harvests later taken (1973 through 1979, Table 1). Reductions in the stocks of Red Kangaroos available for harvest from the end of 1972 clearly would have affected the size of the later harvests, but despite this fact and the effective limitations on the harvest effort during 1976 and 1977, the first two years of the most recent four year State-wide drought, the total harvests taken to the end of 1979 were apparently sufficient to account for all the harvestable kangaroos available. This result was achieved despite the prevailing market prices on offer during the 1973-1979 period being about

30% lower on average than those available from 1968 through 1972, and therefore lower also than the historic average prices for skins. Modern harvest technology clearly appears to have provided a more efficient means of harvesting these kangaroos than in the past, with a predominantly professional operation now seemingly able to function at lower profit margins per kangaroo taken.

The fully commercial operations of the professional kangaroo shooters do nevertheless promote stability in exploitation because of their dependence on the availability of sufficiently numerous kangaroo stocks needed to sustain their operations. Any future substitution of the limited and concentrated potential effort of the truly professional shooters on which the Western Australian Red Kangaroo Management Programme has been based during most of the past decade with a more diffused pattern of distribution of effort based on increased numbers of non-professional shooters, i.e. part-time licensees servicing the same kangaroo trade, could de-stabilise the existing harvest pattern. An increase in the commercial value of kangaroos could also have the same effect. These possibilities are sufficient reasons for the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife continuing to maintain control over the future course and extent of commercial exploitation. The kangaroo trade has demonstrated its ability to take what has obviously been a large fraction of the State's Red Kangaroo stocks within a two to three year period in the past, e.g. in 1935 and 1936, and again in 1969 and 1970 (see also Prince 1984).

The counter possibility of a future collapse of the commercial kangaroo market similar to that of the 1950s poses a different problem in natural resource management from that discussed above. The solution to such a problem obviously lies outside the ambit of the direct responsibilities of the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife. However, the real difficulties occasioned by such an event point to the desirability of maintaining the greatest range of possible markets for kangaroo products at all times. Lifting of the temporary Australian embargo on the export of kangaroo products in September 1975 relieved some of the financial strains placed on the Western Australian kangaroo trade in 1973, but further access to the United States market for kangaroo skins still appears relevant to continued effective management of the State's Red Kangaroos.

Protection of Red Kangaroos via provision of Nature Reserves within the established pastoral areas of Western Australia has not been an integral feature of the State's Red Kangaroo Management Programme to date, and such land reservation is not essential for conservation of the Red Kangaroo alone. However, the reservation of representative samples of the rangeland ecosystems of which the Red Kangaroo is but one part is a legitimate and necessary wildlife conservation objective. Acquisition of some suitably large Nature Reserves containing areas of prime Red Kangaroo habitat should therefore be pursued within the pastoral rangeland areas on this account.

VII CONCLUSIONS

Commercial harvesting of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia during the 1970-1979 decade continued the long established pattern of exploitation of this species on the State's pastoral rangelands and made an important contribution to regulation of the total grazing pressure in these areas without major cost to the general public. The kangaroos harvested also provided valuable income and employment for many people.

A self-sustained commercially based kangaroo industry will continue to provide the most effective and economic means of removing excess numbers of Red Kangaroos from the State's pastoral rangelands in the future.

The fact that the Red Kangaroo is a member of the unique Australian fauna separates consideration of its management from that which may be considered appropriate for feral exotic species in the same situation, however.

The obligation of Governments to effectively conserve indigenous wildlife is in this instance compatible with the established management practice of permitting the commercial harvest of excess numbers of kangaroos while also favouring the continued persistence of a widespread viable core population of kangaroos sharing the rangelands with the pastoral industry.

The provision of extensive Nature Reserves within the Western Australian pastoral areas has not been a feature of the State's Red Kangaroo Management Programme to date and is not presently essential to conservation of the Red Kangaroo itself.

The failure to provide suitable Nature Reserves within the pastoral rangeland areas of the State does nevertheless inhibit attainment of the objectives relevant to general wildlife conservation in these areas. Acquisition of Nature Reserves which may contain large areas of prime Red Kangaroo habitat should therefore be pursued on this account.

The Red Kangaroo Management Programme being developed in Western Australia during 1969-1970 and finally implemented in early 1971 was aimed firstly at stabilizing management of the rangeland Red Kangaroo stocks at a time of major change in the pattern of commercial exploitation of the species within the State, and of then ensuring future compatibility between rangeland management and wildlife conservation objectives in the most efficient manner possible. A continuing kangaroo industry was recognized as a key factor in this equation.

The above management objectives have been satisfied to date.

The apparent reduction in the total rangeland Red Kangaroo stocks remaining in Western Australia at the end of 1979 was largely attributable to the effects of prolonged drought during the last four years of the decade on the productivity of the rangeland vegetation and the consequent impact on the dependent animal populations. The kangaroo

management responses during this drought were generally in tune with the needs for rangeland grazing management, but control over the course and extent of exploitation of the residual kangaroo stocks was maintained. Thus, the management programme permitted the correct response to changing conditions in the field as far as management of the kangaroo stocks was concerned without sacrificing its main conservation objective.

The existing State Red Kangaroo Management Programme therefore remains relevant to management and conservation of the Red Kangaroo in Western Australia in the 1980s because the most recent decline in abundance of the field stocks has not generally altered the basic pattern of distribution of the remaining Red Kangaroos relative to the pastoral industry, nor has it affected the expected pattern of interaction between the animals involved or their responses to changes in prevailing weather patterns.

Consistent with the continuing relevance of the established management programme, it is apparent that harvest documentation obtained via the use of detailed shooter's returns has provided a most practical and efficient method of procuring a broad overall appreciation of important changes in the status of the exploited Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia. This system has also served the purpose of facilitating surveillance of operations and law enforcement activities.

The high rate of compliance achieved in obtaining the data required and the generally acceptable quality of the majority of the data so obtained, combined with the ability to effectively check the veracity of the individual reports, enhances the value of this system of harvest monitoring. Its continuing role in the total programme is not diminished.

Aerial census can nevertheless provide much more specific information on the distribution and abundance of the State's Red Kangaroos than the indirect harvest data. Still, application of the aerial census technique does not replace the need for ongoing harvest reporting. These two facets of the monitoring process are therefore complementary.

The April-June 1981 aerial census of the Western Australian Red Kangaroo population (Caughley, pers. comm.; Short *et al.* 1983) confirmed the initial assumptions made in the early stages of implementation of formal management for this species in the early 1970s regarding the general distribution and abundance of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia, and showed that there were approximately one million Red Kangaroos present at the time of census. The exploited pastoral rangeland stocks included about 75% of this population.

Aerial census can be expected to fill a more prominent role in the future management of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia because of its ability to provide direct quantitative data on distribution and abundance. Choice of the

appropriate frequency of census should however be determined by considering the potential contribution of the population data to the monitoring process and ensuing management decisions, the cost effectiveness of mounting and executing a census, and the relationship between such routinely collected census data and the underlying pattern of variation in abundance of the species. Adequate census of an area as extensive as that occupied by the rangeland stocks of Red Kangaroos in Western Australia is indeed a costly venture that cannot be lightly entertained by the State's wildlife managers. There is also ample evidence to show that there are 2 to 3 year lags in adult kangaroo population responses to changes in field conditions, and that a period of 5 to 6 years is more typical of recurrent short-term variation in overall abundance of Western Australian Red Kangaroo populations. Routine aerial census supplementation at intervals of between 3 and 5 or 6 years of the

indirect harvest monitoring data usually collected from the kangaroo trade appears best suited to the Western Australian situation.

In the past it appears that a relatively fine balance between the average levels of productivity of the kangaroo stocks and their exploitation was able to be achieved by an industry that operated in circumstances where real product values were relatively low and harvest efficiency was less than that which might now be the case.

The practical dependence on commercial exploitation for the major rangeland kangaroo management effort suggests that pressures on the wildlife managers could grow if the real value of kangaroo products was to increase appreciably, or the harvest efficiency increased further. Management must remain cognizant of these possibilities in the future.

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INTRODUCTION

The catch/unit effort (C/f) statistic was chosen as the primary harvest variable to be considered in harvest monitoring because of its potential to reflect changes in numbers in the exploited Red Kangaroo stocks, but it was recognized that the particular indices calculated could be biased because of changes in the behaviour of the shooters, and also the kangaroos. Further statistics considered to permit better interpretations of the variations in the C/f indices were therefore collected. (Section IV C., this paper).

It follows from the above (provided of course that the data to be used in analyses would be reliable) that the recorded patterns of variation in the various C/f indices calculated from the harvest record (see Figs. 13 - 36, this paper, and Appendix II) should be quantifiable in terms of variables which relate to either the productivity of the kangaroo stocks and hence numbers (S, the stock size), or the interaction between the kangaroo shooters and the kangaroos (q, the catchability coefficient) if the initial assumptions made regarding the impact of harvest etc. on the local kangaroo stocks were correct (see Section V also).

Analyses of the patterns of variation in the monthly C/f indices calculated from the harvest data applicable to each of the Murchison, Gascoyne Catchment and Carnarvon Management Areas to test this hypothesis are detailed below.

METHODS

The preliminary harvest pattern analyses reported here were performed using the step-wise multiple regression technique of Nie *et al.* (1975; the SPSS programme package).

Available monthly harvest data for 1972 through 1979 for each of the Murchison, Gascoyne Catchment, and Carnarvon Management Areas were analysed separately, but all the analyses being attempted were done sequentially (see below).

It was assumed for these analyses that the numbers of kangaroos within each of the three separate Management Areas being considered were unaffected by kangaroo numbers elsewhere, i.e. that there was no significant mobility of kangaroos between the different Management Areas, and that the recorded C/f indices were not sequentially biased, e.g. by technological or other changes affecting harvest efficiency.

Required monthly harvest rate (C/f) indices were converted to natural log (Ln) values for the analyses and other harvest input data required were derived from the relevant harvest data summaries (see Appendix II, Tables A II. 2 - 4).

Previous analysis of the pattern of variation in the

historic annual harvest records for the Red Kangaroo in Western Australia (Prince 1984, Appendix I) showed that rainfall patterns were of major importance in relation to realized harvest patterns and that rainfall up to six years prior to the year of harvest influenced the harvest pattern. A similar length prior rainfall record was therefore considered in this instance. Rainfall input data required for the proposed analyses were obtained from the Australian Monthly Rainfall Review series published by the Australian Bureau of Meteorology. The figures listed in Table 2 of these publications for Districts 6, 7, and 7A were used as approximations for monthly rainfall received within the Carnarvon, Gascoyne Catchment and Murchison Management Areas, respectively (cf. Fig. A I. 1 and Fig. 4; Appendix III).

Continuity of substantial exploitation through the whole of the 1970-1979 decade was considered adequate demonstration of the continued commercial viability of exploitation in view of the minor component of the historic annual harvest variability attributable to variations in market prices in similar circumstances (Prince, *ibid.*).

PROCEDURES AND RESULTS

The separate data for each of the three selected Management Areas were first examined to test their concordance with some generally believed hypotheses concerning shooter behaviour, e.g. that heavy rainfall impedes shooters in the short term, and that hunting is generally focussed on situations where kangaroos are most readily obtained. Following this, the actual patterns of variation in the monthly C/f indices were explored to test the assumption that these indices would generally reflect changes in the status of the exploited kangaroo populations within the three Management Areas.

Main correlation results derived from the first series of analyses are summarized in Table A I. 1. These results showed that hunting effort expended within any month was negatively correlated with the rainfall recorded within the month without reference to the timing of the rainfall in all three Management Areas. All harvest rate vs rainfall within the month correlations were also negative in sign, but statistically 'not significant', as were those for male carcase weight vs rainfall. Female carcase weight vs rainfall correlations were also negative, with that for the Murchison Management Area again being 'not significant', but coefficients for the Gascoyne Catchment and Carnarvon Management Areas were 'significant' and of similar magnitude. The total numbers, and the numbers of both male and female kangaroos taken per month were also negatively correlated with rainfall received within the month.

Table A I. 1.

Summary of Main Results from Simple Correlation Analyses : Harvest Data vs Rainfall and Time

Correlation Examined ¹	Management Area ²	Correlation Results	
		r values	Significance Test Probability
EFFORT vs RAIN	MU, GC and CN	-0.34 to -0.35	<0.001
FWT vs RAIN	MU GC and CN	- ve -0.32	NS <0.001
HNO, MNO and FNO vs RAIN	MU, GC and CN	-0.33 to -0.44	<0.001
EFFORT vs MONTH	MU GC CN	-0.47 -0.19 +0.18	<0.001 <0.05 <0.05
LMRATE and LFRATE vs MONTH	MU and GC	+0.21 to +0.57	<0.02 to <0.001
LMRATE, LFRATE vs MONTH	CN	-0.34 +0.41	<0.001 <0.001
MNO vs MONTH	MU and GC CN	-0.14 -0.08	<0.10 NS
FNO vs MONTH	MU GC CN	-0.19 -0.03 +0.33	<0.05 NS <0.001
HNO vs MONTH	MU GC CN	-0.17 -0.09 +0.15	≈0.05 NS <0.10
MWT vs MONTH	MU, GC and CN	-0.16 to -0.24	≈0.05 to ≈0.01
FWT vs MONTH	MU GC CN	-0.43 -0.13 -0.05	<0.001 NS NS

¹ The Variable Names refer to variables described as follows:-

EFFORT = monthly hunting effort : (Hours expended within the harvest month)
 RAIN = monthly rainfall : (mm rec'd within the harvest month)
 FWT = monthly average female carcass weight : (kg/carcass)
 MWT = monthly average male carcass weight : (kg/carcass)
 MNO = monthly male harvest : (No. of male carcasses taken)
 FNO = monthly female harvest : (No. of female carcasses taken)
 HNO = monthly total harvest : (No. of male + female carcasses)
 MONTH = month of record : (No. of months elapsed commencing from January 1972 = 1)
 LMRATE = monthly male harvest rate : $\text{Ln} (\text{MNO}/\text{EFFORT})$
 LFRATE = monthly female harvest rate : $\text{Ln} (\text{FNO}/\text{EFFORT})$
 Ln = Logarithm to base e

² Management Area (M.A.) Codes (see Fig. 4) as follows:-

MU = Murchison M.A.; GC = Gascoyne Catchment M.A.; CN = Carnarvon M.A.

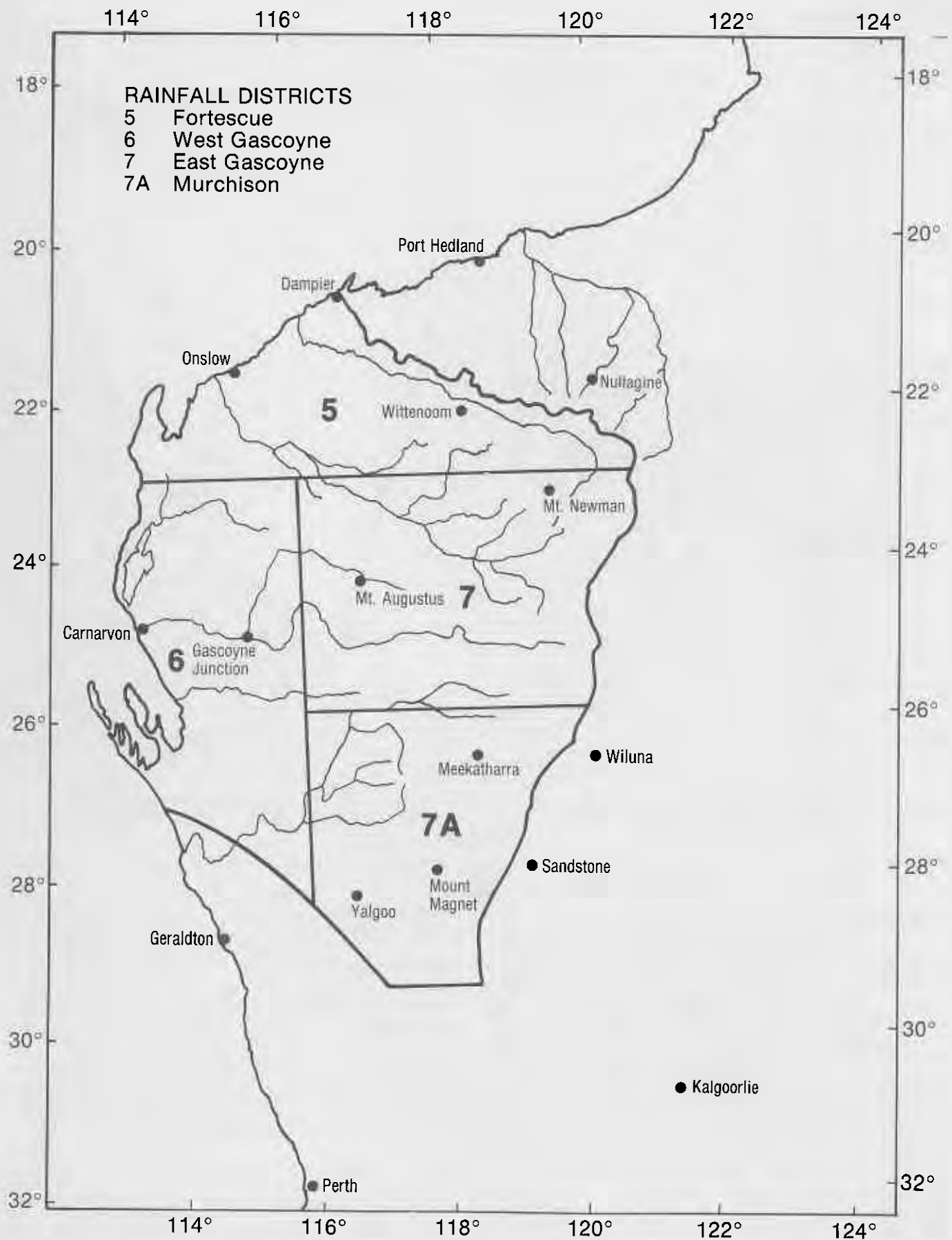


Figure A I. 1. Rainfall Districts - Western Australia. As defined by Australian Bureau of Meteorology.

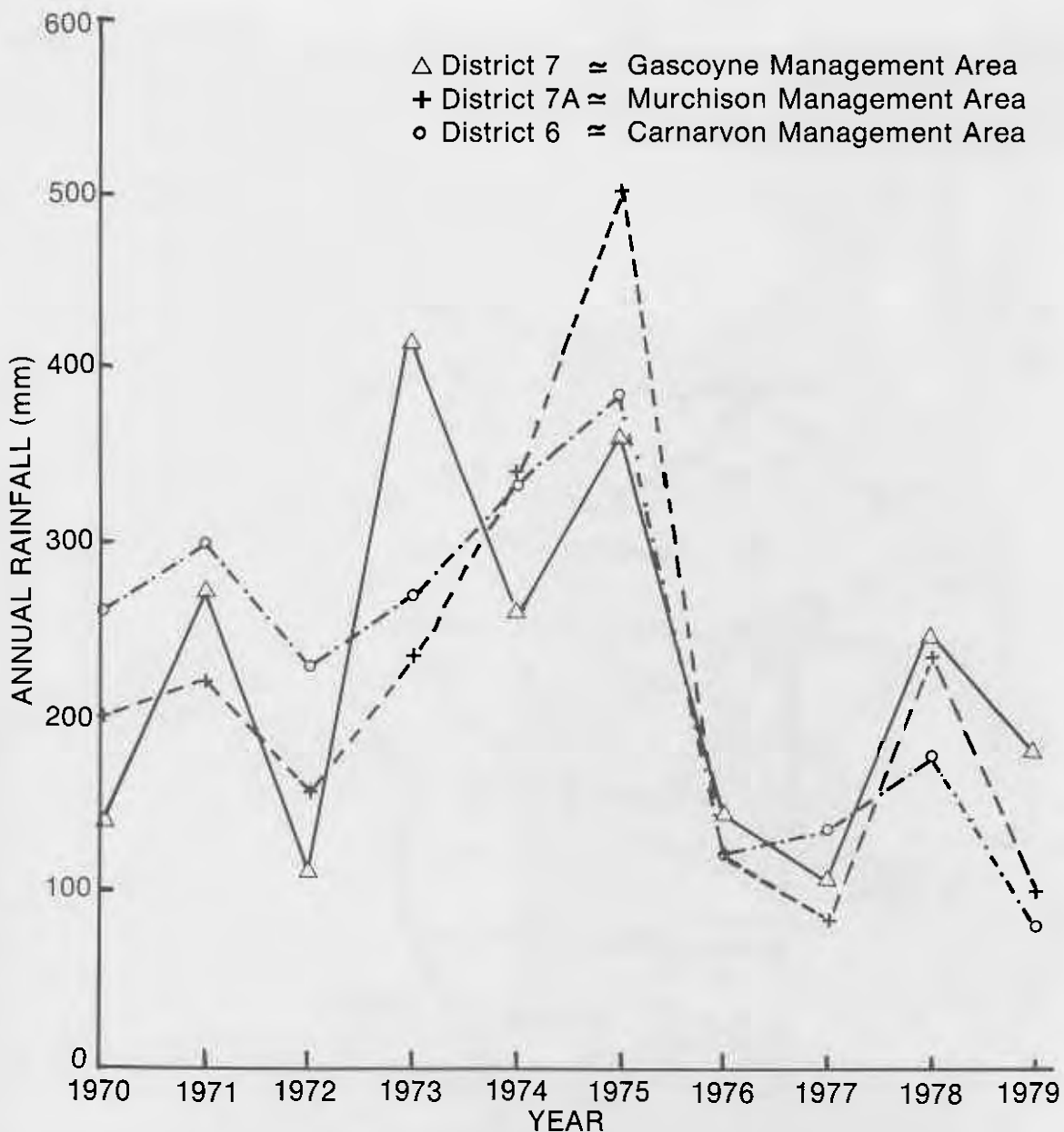


Figure A I. 2. Annual rainfall received in some of the Red Kangaroo hunting areas - Western Australia : 1970-1979.

Considering the latter result above and the fact that drought conditions prevailed throughout the areas in which Red Kangaroos were being exploited during 1976, 1977, and 1979, with only minor relief during 1978 (Fig. A I. 2), the correlation was tested between monthly rainfall and time elapsed from the beginning of each of the data sets being examined. The correlation coefficients obtained for all three Management Areas were negative but 'not significant', no doubt because the inherent variability in monthly rainfall in this arid part of the State was sufficient to obscure the total rainfall deficiency accumulated within the last four years of the record. The harvest changes observed cannot therefore simply be explained by immediate changes in total monthly rainfall (cf. Section III B., Table 1). Nevertheless, the total harvest effort expended per month declined with time in both the Murchison and Gascoyne Catchment Management Areas, but a slight increase occurred in the Carnarvon Area.

Reported average harvest rates for animals of each sex also increased with time in both the Murchison and Gascoyne Catchment Areas, although the total numbers taken per month tended to decline over the same period. On the other hand, the male harvest rate declined markedly in the Carnarvon Area, while the female harvest rate increased to an even greater extent, so that the combined male + female harvest rate tended to increase. In contrast, average male carcass weights declined with time in all three Management Areas, whereas female carcass weights only declined appreciably within the Murchison Management Area.

The next step in the sequence of analyses attempted here was a general exploration of the relationship between the monthly harvest rates and rainfall patterns recorded within each of the three selected Management Areas. Three separate analyses were undertaken in each case, viz. male harvest rate (LMRATE), female harvest rate

(LFRATE), and the combined male + female harvest rate (LHRATE), because of the sex specific hunting bias known to be exercised by shooters and the additional observation that hunting impact was apparently greater in respect to the male sector of the stock (Prince, unpublished observations; see Appendix II also). The separate Rainfall variables included at this level ranged from rainfall received within the month of record (RAIN) to rainfall received within each month up to six years prior to the observation (RAINL1 to RAINL72).

The simple analyses above indicated a 'significant' negative association between harvest rate and rainfall within each month from one to three months prior to the month of record (RAINL1 to RAINL3), consistent with the general hypothesis of reduced hunting success immediately following rain. In the case of the Gascoyne Catchment data, harvest rates were also negatively associated in general with rainfall centred on the period around six months prior to the harvest month. In fact, the combined male + female harvest rate in this instance was negatively associated with rainfall within seven of the first 12 months prior to the harvest month in question.

Correlations between monthly harvest rates and the rainfall received within months further back in the record than the end of the first year were more variable in each case. Probably because of the male harvest bias mentioned above, the male harvest rate equations appeared to provide the best indications of the possible links between prior rainfall events and the presumed pattern of subsequent recruitment to the exploited stocks. The Gascoyne Catchment data appeared clearest in this respect and suggested that rainfall events within approximately 2½ to 4 years prior to the month of record were the most important. The Murchison analysis suggested a similar, although less clearcut association. In contrast, the Carnarvon male analysis suggested a different pattern of variation in harvest rates related to rainfall within a shorter period of time.

Results for the corresponding female harvest rate analyses tended to differ slightly, but to still be generally similar to those described for the males above, while those for the combined male + female harvests tended to be closer to the results for the males, no doubt because of the general predominance of males in the harvests taken (see Appendix II).

Following the first general run of analyses examining the possible effects of past rainfall patterns on harvest rates (above), the Gascoyne Catchment data were selected for more detailed examination. Two further factors were considered in conjunction with the separate rainfall variables at this point.

Thus, the observed changes in harvest patterns (Figs. 13 - 36) suggested that short term changes in selectivity exercised by shooters could influence the male harvest rate, e.g. if smaller male carcasses than usually taken were to be considered acceptable from time to time, then the corresponding male harvest rate could temporarily be increased. The observed changes in harvest composition summarized by the percentage maleness (MPCT) in

the harvest could also reflect both changes in abundance of the preferred target sex (males), and probably some interactive component reflecting possible changes in shooter behaviour as well.

The selection difference variable added and tested here (SELWT) was defined by the ratio of (Average male carcass weight / average female carcass weight). This variable was chosen so as to reflect the general difference between weight vs age curves for male and female kangaroos (e.g. Frith and Calaby 1969, p. 145) while at the same time correcting for the anticipated effects of seasonal changes in nutrition and the expected impact of interrupted recruitment, both of which could be expected to similarly affect males and females.

Both the SELWT and MPCT variables were 'significantly' associated with variations in the male and female harvest rates (LMRATE and LFRATE) reported for the Gascoyne Catchment, with the partial correlation for SELWT being negative in each case, and MPCT positive in respect to the males and negative for the females. Together, these two variables accounted for nearly half the variation in male harvest rates ($R^2 = 0.46$) and one quarter of the variation in female harvest rates ($R^2 = 0.24$). Further variation at this point was also accounted for by a combination of the above two variables and mid-year rainfall in the harvest year (RAINL7; -ve coefficient) plus rainfall in five of the 12 months within the fourth year prior to the harvest month (all coefficients +ve). Total variation accounted for at this point was approximately 65% for males and 50% for females.

The latter result above also suggested that total rainfall received within the fourth year prior to the harvest record in question (i.e. RAINLY4) could provide a good approximation to the component accounted for by the separate monthly rainfall variables within this particular year. RAINLY4 was accordingly substituted in the regression variable lists for the 12 separate monthly rainfall records, RAINL37 to RAINL48, and the equations recalculated. The new equations derived accounted for a similar proportion of the total variation in harvest rates as before (LMRATE, $R^2 = 0.66$; LFRATE, $R^2 = 0.53$). Residual variation unaccounted for by the latter equations was then examined. Attention was concentrated on the male data. The new results suggested that rainfall in two or three of the last six months of the third year prior to the record, i.e. within the set RAINL31 to RAINL36, could be individually important in influencing harvest rates, and that total rainfall in this third year (RAINLY3) might also provide a good approximation.

RAINLY3 was chosen for inclusion as an independent variable at this point. The relevant equations were recalculated, and further analysis pursued by utilizing the zero (0) inclusion level facility provided by the SPSS multiple regression procedures (Nie et al. 1975, p. 347).

Inclusion of RAINLY3 in the new regression equation showed that this variable replaced SELWT (partial correlation now reduced to NS; $P \approx 0.15$). The related zero inclusion level analysis also suggested that total rainfall in the 12 months

Table A I. 2.

Equations Describing Patterns of Variation in Observed Red Kangaroo Harvest Rates
in Three of the Western Australian State Management Areas : 1972 -1979.

A. GASCOYNE CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AREA

$$\text{LMRATE} = - 0.27386993 + 2.1257757*\text{MPCT} - 0.56180854*\text{RAINLY1} - 1.3972971*\text{RAINL7} + 0.92101761*\text{RAINL12} + 0.45200766*\text{RAINLY3} + 0.77190694*\text{RAINLY4} + [0.5*0.10622**2]$$

$$\text{LFRATE} = 1.7430621 - 1.908838*\text{MPCT} - 0.55989838*\text{RAINLY1} - 1.3955602*\text{RAINL7} + 0.91591402*\text{RAINL12} + 0.45039957*\text{RAINLY3} + 0.77292417*\text{RAINLY4} + [0.5*0.10621**2]$$

$$\text{LHRATE} = 1.4837161 - 0.55312037*\text{RAINLY1} - 1.4030265*\text{RAINL7} + 0.90365767*\text{RAINL12} + 0.44793242*\text{RAINLY3} + 0.77082476*\text{RAINLY4} + [0.5*0.10613**2]$$

B. MURCHISON MANAGEMENT AREA

$$\text{LMRATE} = -1.4049754 + 3.380834*\text{MPCT} - 0.99061851*\text{RL1T3} + 0.74349578*\text{RAINLY2} + 0.75908057*\text{RAINLY4} + 0.29108765*\text{RAINLY5} + 0.54519955*\text{RAINLY6} + [0.5*0.13655**2]$$

$$\text{LFRATE} = 0.62131638 - 0.67411978*\text{MPCT} - 0.098931713*\text{RL1T3} + 0.74687199*\text{RAINLY2} + 0.76342138*\text{RAINLY4} + 0.2879804*\text{RAINLY5} + 0.54706559*\text{RAINLY6} + [0.5*0.13662**2]$$

$$\text{LHRATE} = 0.25491924 + 1.4438513*\text{MPCT} = 0.94938205*\text{RL1T3} + 0.73881911*\text{RAINLY2} + 0.75909542*\text{RAINLY4} + 0.28320566*\text{RAINLY5} + 0.57403791*\text{RAINLY6} + [0.5*0.13570**2]$$

C. CARNARVON MANAGEMENT AREA

$$\text{LMRATE} = - 0.23660948 + 1.8187187*\text{MPCT} - 1.9612883*\text{RL1T3} + 1.1860095*\text{RAINLY2} + [0.5*0.19230**2]$$

$$\text{LFRATE} = 1.8094772 - 2.2782406*\text{MPCT} - 1.9647047*\text{RL1T3} + 1.200869*\text{RAINLY2} + [0.5*0.19230**2]$$

$$\text{LHRATE} = 1.4070038 - 2.0061261*\text{RL1T3} + 1.0652096*\text{RAINLY2} + [0.5*0.19402**2]$$

Key to Variables and Equations

LMRATE	=	Monthly Male Harvest Rate : Ln (MNO/EFFORT)
LFRATE	=	Monthly Female Harvest Rate : Ln (FNO/EFFORT)
LHRATE	=	Monthly Male + Female Harvest Rate : Ln (HNO/EFFORT)
Ln	=	Logarithm to Base e
MNO	=	Monthly Male Harvest : Total Number of Male Carcasses Taken
FNO	=	Monthly Female Harvest : Total Number of Female Carcasses Taken
HNO	=	Monthly Total Harvest : Total Number of Male + Female Carcasses Taken
EFFORT	=	Monthly Hunting Effort : Total Hours Expended Within the Harvest Month

Note 1: The Value + $[0.5*0.XXXX**2]$ added to the end of each harvest equation is a correction factor equivalent to $0.5*S**2$ where S is the standard deviation of the (Log) regression equation. Calculation of the approximate arithmetic value of the predicted annual harvest is made by adding this correction to the value of the equation. Refer Baskerville, G.L. (1972). Use of Logarithmic Regression in the estimation of plant biomass. Can. J. For., 2 : 49-53.

- RAINL7 = Monthly Rainfall Received 7 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINL12 = Monthly Rainfall Received 12 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RLIT3 = Total Rainfall Received Within the Period 1 to 3 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINLY1 = Annual Rainfall Received Between 1 and 2 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINLY2 = Annual Rainfall Received Between 13 and 24 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINLY3 = Annual Rainfall Received Between 25 and 36 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINLY4 = Annual Rainfall Received Between 37 and 48 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINLY5 = Annual Rainfall Received Between 49 and 60 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- RAINLY6 = Annual Rainfall Received Between 61 and 72 Months Prior to the Harvest Month
- MPCT = Observed Percentage of Males Within the Total Monthly Harvests

Note 2: The Value of All Rainfall Variables Above is $Mm*10^{-3}$

Note 3: The Value of MPCT Used in the Above Equations is = (MNO/HNO)

immediately preceding the month of record (RAINLY1) should be added to the remaining independent regression variables. Changes suggested by the series of results above were made and the final equation was calculated. This equation accounted for just over 70% of the total variability ($R^2 = 0.72$) in male harvest rates recorded in the Gascoyne Catchment and was of the form:

$$LMRATE = b_0 + b_1 MPCT + b_2 RAINLY1 + b_3 RAINL7 + b_4 RAINL12 + b_5 RAINLY3 + b_6 RAINLY4$$

An equation of similar form accounted for 60% of the total variability in the female harvest rates. An equation including all the above variables, with the exception of MPCT, also accounted for a slightly lower proportion of the total variability in the combined male + female harvest rates ($R^2 = 0.56$). The three equations calculated are listed in Table A I. 2.

The preliminary solution describing the pattern of variation in the Gascoyne Catchment harvest rate data was next used as a guide to possible variable combinations to test in further exploring the patterns of variation in harvest rates in the Murchison and Carnarvon Management Areas. The Murchison data were considered first.

The two variables MPCT and RLIT3 (the total rainfall received within months 1, 2, and 3 prior to the harvest month) accounted for just over 60% of the total variability ($R^2 = 0.62$) in the Murchison male harvest rates, and these two variables, in

combination with total rainfall received within years 2, 4, 5, and 6 prior to the harvest month in question (RAINLY2, RAINLY4, RAINLY5, RAINLY6) finally accounted for nearly three-quarters of the total variability ($R^2 = 0.74$).

A similar combination of variables also accounted for just under half ($R^2 = 0.47$) the variability in the female harvest rates in the Murchison, and just over half ($R^2 = 0.56$) the variability in the combined male + female harvest rates. The inclusion of MPCT as a 'significant' variable in respect to the combined male + female harvest rate equation in this instance contrasts with its omission from the same equation for the Gascoyne data.

The initial examination of the pattern of variability in harvest rates relative to rainfall in the Carnarvon Management Area data had already suggested that relatively short-term rainfall only, i.e. within two years of the harvest record, was associated with the observed variability in harvest rates. This was confirmed on further examination of these data. The combination of MPCT, RLIT3, and RAINLY2 accounted for 60% ($R^2 = 0.60$) of the total variability in male harvest rates and just over half ($R^2 = 0.51$) of the total variability in female harvest rates. As in the case for the Gascoyne Catchment data, MPCT was not significantly related to the pattern of variability in these Carnarvon data. The combination of RLIT3 and RAINLY2 alone accounted for just 39% ($R^2 = 0.39$) of the variability in this latter case.

The equations fitted to the Murchison and Carnarvon harvest rate data are included in Table A I. 2.

Table A I. 3.

Summary of Contributions Made by Different Combinations of Independent Variables in Explaining Observed Variability in Harvest Rates in the Gascoyne Catchment, Murchison and Carnarvon Management Areas - Western Australia.

Management Area					
GASCOYNE CATCHMENT		MURCHISON		CARNARVON	
A. Male Harvest Rate (LMRATE ¹) Equations					
Independent Variables ²	R ²	Independent Variables ²	R ²	Independent Variables ²	R ²
RAINLY1 + RAINLY3 + RAINLY4 + RAINL7 only	0.53	RLIT3 + RAINLY2 + RAINLY4 only	0.46	RLIT3 + RAINLY2 only	0.46
Above vars. + RAINL12	0.55	Above vars. + MPCT	0.70		
Above vars. + MPCT	0.72	Above vars. + RAINLY5 + RAINLY6	0.74	Above + MPCT	0.60
B. Female Harvest Rate (LFRATE ¹) Equations					
Independent variables ²	R ²	Independent variables ²	R ²	Independent variables ²	R ²
RAINLY1 + RAINLY4	0.38	RLIT3 + RAINLY2 + RAINLY 4 + RAINLY5 + RAINLY6	0.44	RLIT3	0.23
Above vars. + MPCT	0.50			Above var. + MPCT (or RAINLY2 + MPCT =	0.39 (0.36)
Above vars. + RAINLY3 + RAINL7 + RAINL12	0.60	Above vars. + MPCT	0.47	Above vars. + RAINLY2	0.51
C. Male + Female Harvest Rate (LHRATE ¹) Equations					
Independent variables ²	R ²	Independent variables ²	R ²	Independent variables ²	R ²
		RLIT3 + RAINLY2 + RAINLY4 only	0.45		
		Above vars. + MPCT	0.48		
RAINLY1 + RAINLY3 + RAINLY 4 + RAINL7 + RAINL12	0.56	Above vars. + RAINLY5 + RAINLY 6	0.56	RLIT3 + RAINLY2	0.39

¹ These dependent Variable Names refer to the Ln (Observed Monthly C/f) values as specified :
Ln = Logarithm to base e

² These independent Variable Names refer to variables described as follows:-

RAINL7 = monthly rainfall received 7 months prior to the harvest month
RAINL12 = monthly rainfall received 12 months prior to the harvest month
RLIT3 = total rainfall received within the period 1 to 3 months prior to the harvest month
RAINLY1 = annual rainfall received between 1 and 12 months prior to the harvest month
RAINLY2 = annual rainfall received between 13 and 24 months prior to the harvest month
RAINLY3 = annual rainfall received between 25 and 36 months prior to the harvest month
RAINLY4 = annual rainfall received between 37 and 48 months prior to the harvest month
RAINLY5 = annual rainfall received between 49 and 60 months prior to the harvest month
RAINLY6 = annual rainfall received between 61 and 72 months prior to the harvest month
MPCT = observed percentage males within the total monthly harvests

The consistent inclusion of the variable MPCT in the majority of the equations discussed above and the apparently major contributory role of MPCT in regard to the proportion of the total variability in the observed harvest rates actually accounted for by the appropriate equations posed the question as to whether MPCT, a harvest numbers related variable, could validly be included as an independent variable in the fitted equations. The problem did not of course arise in the case of the predictive equations derived for the monthly combined male + female harvest rates in the Carnarvon and Gascoyne Catchment Management Areas because MPCT was not included in these equations, but the possibility that misleading results could have been obtained in the other cases considered was investigated by excluding MPCT from the list of independent variables included in the separate predictive equations previously derived. The results of these tests are summarized in Table A I. 3.

Exclusion of MPCT from the respective equations describing variation in the monthly male and female harvest rates within the Carnarvon and Gascoyne Catchment Management Areas showed in the case of the male harvest rate data that the rainfall variables now considered alone generally remained 'significant' and accounted for approximately 75% of the total variability previously accounted for by the final equation with MPCT included (cf. Table A I. 2). In contrast, exclusion of MPCT from the fitted female harvest rate equations tended to reduce the list of 'significant' rainfall related variables. Alone, only RLIT3 was 'significant' in respect to the Carnarvon female harvest rate, while only RAINLY1 and RAINLY4 remained 'significant' in the case of the Gascoyne female data. In each instance, MPCT was the next 'significant' variable to be included, and the additional Rainfall variables previously included in the full equations only then became 'significant'.

Omission of MPCT from the list of variables included in the combined male + female harvest rate equation calculated for the Murchison data showed that only RLIT3, RAINLY2 and RAINLY4

remained 'significant'. These three variables together accounted for 45% of the total variability in the harvest rate and 80% of the total variability actually accounted for by the previously derived final equation (e.g. partial $R^2 = 0.45$ cf. total $R^2 = 0.56$). RAINLY6 was 'not significant' ($P \approx 0.08$) when entered as the fourth variable in the equation, but zero inclusion level analysis at this point suggested that rainfall received both early within the first year from the month of record and in the second half of the second year would still be 'significant' without the inclusion of MPCT, even though similar variables were already included in the equation. This result, and the fact that both RAINLY5 and RAINLY6 only picked up residual variability after inclusion of MPCT suggests that the contribution of these two variables, particularly in respect to the greater relative importance of RAINLY6, could reflect a reinforcement of a predominant shorter term cycle that could possibly be defined more precisely using more suitable subdivisions within the prior rainfall record than have been tested so far. The partial correlation coefficient for total rainfall in months 20 to 23 prior to the record (RL20T23) also remained close to significance ($P \approx 0.06$) at this point.

The further examination of the separated rainfall contributions in respect to the Murchison male harvest rate equation presented a similar picture to that described above. RLIT3, RAINLY2 and RAINLY4 together accounted for 46% of the total variability and 62% of the variability actually described by the full list of independent variables included in the original equation (e.g. partial $R^2 = 0.46$ cf. total $R^2 = 0.74$). The combination of MPCT with the former three variables accounted for 70% of the total variability in harvest rates.

In contrast with the above two cases, all rainfall variables previously included in the predictive equation for the Murchison female harvest rate were individually 'significant' without the inclusion of MPCT, and accounted for the major portion of the total variability previously described ($R^2 = 0.44$, cf. 0.47 for the full equation). Apart

from the relatively low proportion of the total variability accounted for in this instance, the minor contribution attributable to MPCT and the apparently weaker influence of RAINLY2 and RAINLY4 on the pattern of variation in the female harvest rates are both suggestive of a proportionately lesser impact of commercial harvesting on the female sector of the kangaroo stocks in the Murchison Area. This result is consistent with the observations mentioned previously, i.e. that harvest impact usually falls more heavily on the male sector of the stock.

In summary, it suffices to say at this point that the generally high proportion of the total harvest rate variability that was still accounted for by the 'significant' Rainfall variables when MPCT was omitted from those equations in which MPCT was initially included is supportive of the view that variation in MPCT is largely reflective of changing abundance of kangaroos relative to the shooters' desired harvesting performance criteria. MPCT may, therefore, be validly included among the independent variables in deriving the predictive equations discussed above.

DISCUSSION

The common feature of the results discussed above is the incorporation in the fitted harvest rate equations of short-term rainfall variables (i.e. those relating to rainfall received within 12 months or less prior to the month of record) having a predominantly negative impact on harvest rates, and the consistent inclusion of MPCT in all the male and female harvest rate equations.

The inclusion of short-term rainfall as a negative factor influencing the recorded harvest rates is consistent with the common belief that hunting of Red Kangaroos is less successful following rain. The initial correlation analyses (Table A I. 1) showed however that rainfall could be expected to influence the behaviour of shooters just as easily as it could affect the behaviour of kangaroos. Thus, reductions in harvest offtake immediately following rain can firstly be attributed to shooters reducing effort simply because of physical difficulties, e.g. reduced mobility and a greater risk of bogging their vehicles, and secondly, because of expected reductions in the availability of animals to shoot, which further reduces the expected profitability of hunting on these occasions.

In contrast with the above responses of shooters, the observed changes in total harvests and the total harvest effort relative to the average harvest rates attainable through the 1972-1979 period within the Murchison and Gascoyne Catchment Management Areas appear paradoxical at first sight. Incidentally, results of this sort highlight the type of bias to be expected in the harvest monitoring statistics being collected from shooters. Even so, the response observed can still be readily explained in terms of the effects of changing expectations of profitability on the operations of the professional kangaroo shooters. The key factors contributing to the response in this instance are:

i) the effects of the declining exploited stocks

of kangaroos on the composition of the harvests potentially available to the shooters to the end of 1979; and,

ii) the attendant relative changes in distribution of the residual stocks of kangaroos then being hunted.

Thus, the harvest data (Appendix II, Tables A II. 2 & 3) show that the average carcass weights of the male kangaroos being taken declined to the end of 1979 and that the harvest composition also changed to a predominance of females. Both these factors would have increased the relative harvesting costs/carcass taken. In addition to these direct changes affecting the harvesting of kangaroos, the reduction in numbers would also have confronted shooters with a much more patchy distribution of relative abundance (e.g. Frith and Calaby 1969, p. 90), although the local centres of greatest abundance would not generally have shifted and high harvest rates could still be maintained while hunting in these locations. Hunting in these circumstances is increasingly focussed on the limited centres of abundance and effort is not expended in looking elsewhere for kangaroos during hunting trips because the shooters know from experience that they will be unlikely to find many animals. The harvest rates (C/f indices) reported at this point are therefore less likely to be representative of the average abundance of the kangaroo stocks than at other times. The associated changes in the distribution of the harvests taken as shown in Figs. 5 - 12 and detailed in Tables A II. 1 - A II.12 support this view.

Apart from the general observation that the inclusion of MPCT in the separate male and female harvest rate equations most probably reflects the changing abundance of kangaroos relative to the professional shooters' desired harvesting performance criteria, the particular results obtained may also be affected by the fact that the total harvest effort recorded has not been apportioned by sex in calculating the separate C/f indices for the male and female sectors of the harvests.

The inclusion of MPCT in the male + female harvest rate equation calculated for the Murchison Management Area and the relatively low proportion of the total variability also accounted for by MPCT in the equation fitted to the Murchison female harvest rate data when compared with the results for the Gascoyne Catchment (Table A I. 2) appears to be attributable to the fact that shooters were able to maintain a marked predominance of males in the Murchison harvests through most of the record (cf. Figs. 15 and 17). I have no data which would assist in deciding whether this difference between Management Areas is due either to differences in the selection differentials that shooters in each area have been able to apply, or to differences in the composition of the respective kangaroo stocks.

The apparently different pattern of influence of short-term rainfall on the harvest rates recorded within the Gascoyne Catchment also deserves further comment at this point. The inclusion of

both the monthly rainfall received seven months prior to the harvest month in question and the monthly rainfall 12 months prior to the harvest month (RAINL 7 and RAINL12) along with the total rainfall received within the first 12 months preceding the harvest month (RAINLY1) as significant variables in the full equations fitted to the Gascoyne Catchment harvest rate data suggested that the influence on harvest rates apparently being described by these three variables could possibly be defined more simply by some other rainfall variable(s) not previously considered in the analyses attempted. Division of the expected monthly rainfall pattern within this Management Area into an expected 'rainy' and a slightly shorter 'non-rainy' period within the year suggested a possible starting point for further investigation. This line was pursued further, but the question raised was not resolved.

It is of course possible that an artifact could have been responsible for the apparent difference referred to above, due to the primary rainfall input data used in the analyses being averaged over a much wider area than that included within the Gascoyne Catchment Management Area itself (cf. Fig. A I. 1 and Fig. 4). However, two other possibilities are suggested. Firstly, it is possible that the within year pattern suggested could reflect some underlying variation in pasture growth patterns in response to rainfall in this area and its resultant effects on dispersal of the kangaroo stocks relative to the shooters. Secondly, this pattern could also reflect some other difference peculiar to the Gascoyne Catchment Management Area. This latter possibility is further considered in the following discussion.

The rainfall variables related to prior rainfall events further removed from the harvest month than the end of the first 12 month period that were included in the full equations fitted to the various sets of harvest data all had positive partial correlation coefficients. The real factors relating to the association of these rainfall variables with harvest rates are therefore likely to be those describing changes in recruitment and total stock abundance.

Rainfall between 13 and 24 months prior to the harvest month (RAINLY2) is included in all the equations calculated for the Murchison and Carnarvon Management Areas (Tables A I. 2 and 3), and although this specific variable is excluded from the Gascoyne Catchment equations, the apparently more complex relationship between the harvest rates and rainfall within the first 12 months prior to the harvest month discussed above in relation to the Gascoyne Catchment can be considered similarly because very few Red Kangaroos of 2 years of age or less are taken by professional kangaroo shooters in Western Australia (Prince, unpublished data). Rainfall patterns which would influence recruitment to stocks therefore appear to be important in all three Management Areas considered.

The within year rainfall events contributing to this presumed stock recruitment effect in each instance

have not been further separated, but three possible changes could be involved, e.g. :

- i) improved rainfall very late in the period could have improved reproductive success;
- ii) generally good rainfall could be expected to have enhanced the survival of mature and newly independent joeys and so boosted stock recruitment; and,
- iii) the availability of kangaroos to shooters could be improved by the accumulation of kangaroos in more accessible places as a consequence of redistribution of stocks within the particular Management Area following changes in the pastures.

The latter two changes appear to be the most probable direct contributors because shooter behaviour rules out any immediate impact attributable to the first suggestion. If the correct explanation is provided here, it follows that the relative contributions of the two main recruitment factors suggested have differed with respect to the different Management Areas considered. Direct recruitment seems likely to be the more important factor in the Carnarvon and Murchison Management Areas, whereas redistribution of stocks following increased breeding success appears most likely to be the major contributor within the Gascoyne Catchment Management Area.

The apparent qualitative differences between the Murchison and Gascoyne Catchment Management Areas discussed above may thus be responsible also for the differences between these two Management Areas with respect to the apparent associations between harvest rates and rainfall earlier in the record than 24 months prior to the harvest month, e.g. the apparent associations between harvest rates and the rainfall variables RAINLY 3 through RAINLY6 (Table A I. 3).

The data considered in the analyses presented here were insufficient to more adequately explore the possible questions raised within the above discussion, but it is clear that the sustained pattern of exploitation observed is based on both recruitment to stocks in the shorter term and also on the size of the residual stocks remaining after prolonged droughts. The present pattern of interaction between rainfall and harvests therefore appears consistent with the general pattern of interaction between rainfall and harvest previously deduced in regard to the historic harvest data (Prince 1984, Appendix I).

One further feature of the results discussed that is worthy of final comment is the omission of specific body-weight related variables from the lists of 'significant' independent variables included in the full harvest rate equations derived in each case. The variable SELWT was initially included in the Gascoyne harvest rate equations, but was apparently replaced by RAINLY3 in the final equations. This result, and the fact that average male carcass weights have been observed to increase approximately two years after the onset of sustained drought (see Figs. 13 - 36) suggests that the average male carcass weight parameter is generally indicative of changes in the rate of

recruitment to Red Kangaroo stocks in Western Australia rather than the intensity of harvest. The observed pattern of change in average male carcase weight has not been fully investigated as yet, but the usually anticipated long-term changes might still be expected to show in situations where harvesting is having the greatest impact on the local kangaroo populations.

CONCLUSION

The equations discussed above have accounted for a relatively high proportion of the total variability in monthly C/f indices in terms of variables which can be related to both short-term changes in relative abundance and presumed real changes in abundance related to patterns of recruitment and prior exploitation. The harvest monitoring data collected in Western Australia to 1979 can therefore be regarded as providing useful insights into the status of the exploited Red Kangaroo populations. The equations derived here should not be considered definitive however, although they are suitable for the primary purpose of the analyses attempted.

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APPENDIX II

**SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR
HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN NOMINATED STATE
MANAGEMENT AREAS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA :
1971 - 1979**

TABLE A II. 1. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE WHOLE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

[NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE,
(1971 DATA)* = PARTIAL DATA ONLY
RELATING TO THIS PART OF HARVEST.]

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	STATE TOTAL MALES	NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE MALES	FEMALES	AVERAGE WEIGHT		YEAR	
							MALES	FEMALES	1971 PERCENTAGE	1971 MALES
JAN, 71	97	N/A	1836	1451	N/A	N/A	23.3	13.9	55.9	
FEB, 71	+164*		+2784	+2329					54.4	
MAR, 71	212	N/A	3051	2648	N/A	N/A	22.9	13.7	53.5	
	+ 85*		+1200	+1161					50.8	
APR, 71	441	N/A	7368	5997	N/A	N/A	22.2	13.3	55.1	
	+ 52*		+ 819	+ 743					52.4	
MAY, 71	490	N/A	8035	6349	N/A	N/A	22.6	13.5	55.9	
JUN, 71	422	N/A	5428	4893	N/A	N/A	23.2	14.0	52.6	
JUL, 71	496	N/A	6440	5265	N/A	N/A	24.1	14.4	55.0	
AUG, 71	404	N/A	4333	4781	N/A	N/A	23.7	14.1	47.5	
SEP, 71	510	N/A	6311	5333	N/A	N/A	24.5	14.8	54.2	
OCT, 71	547	N/A	6375	6127	N/A	N/A	24.7	14.9	51.0	
NOV, 71	646	N/A	8890	8199	N/A	N/A	24.4	14.9	52.0	
DEC, 71	586	N/A	8173	8333	N/A	N/A	24.0	14.5	49.5	
TOTAL	4851	N/A	66230	59376	N/A	N/A	23.7	14.2	52.7	
, 1971	+301*		+4803	+4233					53.2	

SUMMARY FOR WHOLE OF STATE

YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 72	652	N/A	8996	9635	N/A	N/A	23.7	14.1	48.3	48.3
FEB, 72	455	2358	6379	6443	2.705	2.732	22.9	13.7	49.8	49.8
MAR, 72	673	4605	10788	9560	2.344	2.076	22.8	13.6	53.0	53.0
APR, 72	601	4294	9928	8755	2.312	2.039	23.1	13.7	53.1	53.1
MAY, 72	565	4175	8009	9092	1.918	2.178	21.9	13.6	45.8	45.8
JUN, 72	459	2989	6135	6298	2.053	2.107	21.7	13.4	49.3	49.3
JUL, 72	569	3713	7653	7047	1.900	1.898	21.4	13.2	50.0	50.0
AUG, 72	680	4471	8873	8892	1.984	1.989	21.9	13.5	49.9	49.9
SEP, 72	596	4196	8386	8539	1.999	2.035	22.5	14.1	49.5	49.5
OCT, 72	654	4286	9734	9296	2.271	2.169	23.3	14.4	51.2	51.2
NOV, 72	582	3853	8295	8381	2.147	2.170	23.1	14.4	49.7	49.7
DEC, 72	462	2917	6306	6927	2.162	2.375	22.2	13.9	47.7	47.7
TOTAL	6948	46780	98883	98865	2.114	2.113	22.6	13.8	50.0	50.0

SUMMARY FOR WHOLE OF STATE

YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 73	502	3162	7359	7136	2.327	2.257	21.3	13.5	50.8	50.8
FEB, 73	323	1923	4920	4218	2.558	2.193	22.2	13.6	53.8	53.8
MAR, 73	330	1910	5303	4036	2.777	2.113	22.0	13.3	56.8	56.8
APR, 73	320	2007	5054	4243	2.519	2.114	22.7	13.7	54.4	54.4
MAY, 73	325	1836	4657	3649	2.537	1.988	22.7	14.2	56.1	56.1
JUN, 73	322	1751	3672	3718	2.098	2.124	22.6	13.6	49.7	49.7
JUL, 73	301	1655	3411	3367	2.061	2.035	22.9	13.8	50.3	50.3
AUG, 73	345	1914	4084	3578	2.134	1.869	22.9	14.4	53.3	53.3
SEP, 73	434	2596	5426	4690	2.167	1.807	22.8	14.4	54.5	54.5
OCT, 73	472	2922	6445	5885	2.206	2.014	23.3	14.8	52.3	52.3
NOV, 73	450	2839	6417	6132	2.260	2.160	23.8	14.6	51.1	51.1
DEC, 73	395	2398	6001	4940	2.502	2.060	23.1	14.3	54.3	54.3
TOTAL	4519	26908	62949	55592	2.339	2.066	22.7	14.0	53.1	53.1

SUMMARY FOR WHOLE OF STATE YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		HARVEST RATE MALES	HARVEST RATE FEMALES	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES			MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 74	482	3001	6591	7080	2.196	2.359	23.1	13.8	48.2
FEB, 74	345	2021	4713	4373	2.332	2.164	22.6	13.9	51.9
MAR, 74	393	2269	5092	5008	2.244	2.207	23.1	13.9	50.4
APR, 74	430	2378	6401	5756	2.692	2.421	23.2	14.1	52.7
MAY, 74	431	2464	5909	5219	2.398	2.116	22.9	14.0	53.1
JUN, 74	494	2899	7466	6702	2.576	2.312	23.2	13.9	52.7
JUL, 74	213	1194	3044	2429	2.549	2.034	24.5	14.4	55.6
AUG, 74	259	1558	3681	3138	2.362	2.014	23.7	13.9	54.0
SEP, 74	404	2365	5291	4628	2.237	1.957	24.2	14.1	53.2
OCT, 74	434	2446	5509	5223	2.252	2.135	24.2	14.3	51.3
NOV, 74	509	2924	7159	6450	2.449	2.206	23.8	14.6	52.6
DEC, 74	429	2297	6623	5385	2.383	2.344	24.5	14.6	55.2
TOTAL	4823	27817	67479	61391	2.426	2.207	23.5	14.1	52.3

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		HARVEST RATE MALES	HARVEST RATE FEMALES	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES			MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 75	435	2481	6298	6334	2.538	2.553	24.0	14.2	49.9
FEB, 75	129	791	1844	2186	2.322	2.765	24.3	13.9	45.8
MAR, 75	210	1292	2691	2722	2.082	2.106	23.6	13.7	49.7
APR, 75	319	1752	3748	3656	2.139	2.087	23.3	13.9	50.6
MAY, 75	363	2004	4407	3984	2.199	1.988	23.6	14.0	52.5
JUN, 75	356	1925	4415	4349	2.293	2.259	22.9	13.9	50.4
JUL, 75	395	2241	4968	4482	2.217	2.000	22.4	14.1	52.4
AUG, 75	373	2267	5162	5125	2.277	2.261	23.2	14.4	50.2
SEP, 75	464	2711	6742	6401	2.487	2.361	23.8	14.8	51.3
OCT, 75	373	2210	5312	5005	2.404	2.265	24.1	14.7	51.5
NOV, 75	453	2571	7141	5728	2.773	2.228	23.7	14.5	55.5
DEC, 75	275	1498	4169	3346	2.783	2.234	24.1	14.4	55.5
TOTAL	4145	23755	56897	53318	2.395	2.244	23.6	14.3	51.6

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	450	2486	6331	5437	2.547	2.187	22.9	14.0	53.8	
FEB, 76	298	1726	4419	3710	2.560	2.150	23.5	14.1	54.4	
MAR, 76	395	2266	6123	5442	2.703	2.402	22.8	13.9	52.9	
APR, 76	424	2427	6481	5410	2.671	2.229	23.2	14.0	54.5	
MAY, 76	404	2309	5915	5927	2.545	2.572	22.8	13.8	49.9	
JUN, 76	408	2488	6662	6541	2.678	2.629	22.8	14.1	50.5	
JUL, 76	365	2234	6125	5179	2.742	2.319	22.8	14.1	54.2	
AUG, 76	410	2423	6651	5808	2.745	2.397	23.4	14.2	53.4	
SEP, 76	445	2537	7120	6322	2.807	2.492	22.8	14.3	53.0	
OCT, 76	459	2588	7482	6799	2.891	2.627	22.5	14.3	52.4	
NOV, 76	470	2652	7574	6726	2.856	2.536	22.1	14.2	53.0	
DEC, 76	304	1924	5491	4231	2.853	2.199	22.5	14.0	55.5	
TOTAL	4832	28052	76374	67532	2.722	2.408	22.8	14.1	53.1	

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	280	1512	4989	4199	3.300	2.780	21.5	13.7	54.3	
FEB, 77	350	1933	5508	4651	2.850	2.406	21.4	13.3	54.2	
MAR, 77	348	1961	5998	5046	3.058	2.573	20.4	13.2	54.3	
APR, 77	424	2394	6731	6439	2.811	2.689	21.2	13.8	51.1	
MAY, 77	483	2742	7273	6773	2.653	2.473	20.9	13.6	51.8	
JUN, 77	466	2610	7240	6219	2.774	2.383	21.1	13.4	53.8	
JUL, 77	560	3104	9304	7465	2.997	2.405	22.1	13.9	55.5	
AUG, 77	464	2533	7519	7212	2.969	2.848	21.6	14.2	51.0	
SEP, 77	436	2503	6708	6063	2.680	2.422	21.8	14.3	52.5	
OCT, 77	460	2507	6875	5523	2.743	2.602	21.5	14.2	51.3	
NOV, 77	504	2766	6772	6851	2.448	2.477	21.3	13.9	49.7	
DEC, 77	324	1705	4704	4377	2.759	2.567	21.5	13.9	51.8	
TOTAL	5099	28272	79621	71818	2.816	2.541	21.4	13.8	52.6	

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YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 78	348	1972	4960	4848	2.515	2.458	20.1	13.0	50.6	50.6
FEB, 78	271	1517	3653	3309	2.408	2.181	20.4	13.1	52.5	52.5
MAR, 78	351	1852	4394	3552	2.372	1.917	21.0	13.4	55.3	55.3
APR, 78	422	2241	5281	4608	2.256	1.968	21.7	14.0	53.4	53.4
MAY, 78	477	2743	6464	6007	2.357	2.190	21.7	13.9	51.8	51.8
JUN, 78	452	2559	5743	5926	2.244	2.320	22.3	14.2	49.2	49.2
JUL, 78	367	1985	4475	4369	2.255	2.201	21.8	14.1	50.6	50.6
AUG, 78	457	2420	5649	5085	2.334	2.101	22.1	14.1	52.6	52.6
SEP, 78	487	2688	5558	5947	2.067	2.212	23.2	14.4	48.3	48.3
OCT, 78	488	2719	5925	5870	2.179	2.159	23.4	14.6	50.2	50.2
NOV, 78	546	3137	7629	7710	2.432	2.458	23.4	14.6	49.7	49.7
DEC, 78	481	2721	6860	7036	2.521	2.586	23.0	14.1	49.4	49.4
TOTAL	5147	28665	66591	64277	2.323	2.242	22.2	14.0	50.9	50.9

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YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 79	452	2476	5870	6338	2.371	2.560	23.0	13.9	48.1	48.1
FEB, 79	339	1790	3974	4555	2.220	2.544	22.6	14.0	46.6	46.6
MAR, 79	422	2369	5154	5359	2.175	2.262	22.7	13.7	49.0	49.0
APR, 79	424	2393	5492	6318	2.295	2.640	22.8	13.8	46.5	46.5
MAY, 79	438	2430	5648	6242	2.325	2.569	23.2	13.9	47.5	47.5
JUN, 79	492	2629	6444	7137	2.451	2.715	23.5	14.0	47.4	47.4
JUL, 79	474	2535	6000	7281	2.367	2.872	23.8	13.8	45.2	45.2
AUG, 79	406	2128	5281	6150	2.482	2.890	23.5	13.9	46.2	46.2
SEP, 79	524	2833	6465	7582	2.282	2.676	24.3	14.2	46.0	46.0
OCT, 79	423	3241	7149	9147	2.206	2.823	24.0	14.3	43.9	43.9
NOV, 79	600	3555	6395	8844	1.798	2.488	24.1	14.2	42.0	42.0
DEC, 79	478	2650	5469	6381	2.064	2.408	23.8	13.8	46.2	46.2
TOTAL	5672	30969	69341	81334	2.238	2.624	23.5	14.0	46.0	46.0

TABLE A II. 2. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE MURCHISON MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

[NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.
(1971 DATA)* = PARTIAL DATA ONLY
RELATING TO THIS PART OF HARVEST.]

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	TOTAL FEMALES	NO DETAILED RECORDS	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
						MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 71	15	N/A	403	366	N/A	N/A	23.9	14.5	52.4		
FEB, 71	+52*		+998	+553					64.3		
MAR, 71	50	N/A	938	757	N/A	N/A	22.6	14.7	55.3		
	+12*		+208	+130					61.5		
APR, 71	71	N/A	1664	963	N/A	N/A	22.6	14.1	63.3		
	+29*		+509	+364					59.3		
MAY, 71	88	N/A	1726	1006	N/A	N/A	23.3	14.4	63.2		
JUN, 71	80	N/A	1178	1264	N/A	N/A	24.4	14.5	48.2		
JUL, 71	72	N/A	1190	1146	N/A	N/A	23.6	14.5	50.9		
AUG, 71	44	N/A	375	582	N/A	N/A	24.5	14.5	39.2		
SEP, 71	80	N/A	703	855	N/A	N/A	24.3	14.5	45.1		
OCT, 71	100	N/A	1254	1183	N/A	N/A	24.3	15.1	51.5		
NOV, 71	118	N/A	2111	1793	N/A	N/A	24.3	15.0	54.1		
DEC, 71	97	N/A	1431	1374	N/A	N/A	25.4	14.8	51.0		
TOTAL	915	N/A	12973	11289	N/A	N/A	23.9	14.7	53.5		
, 1971	+93*		+1715	+1047					62.1		

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 72	108	N/A	1374	1363	N/A	N/A	24.6	14.4	50.2
FEB, 72	132	N/A	1758	1700	N/A	N/A	22.8	14.1	50.8
MAR, 72	141	839	2022	1841	2.409	2.194	22.9	14.2	52.3
APR, 72	134	1034	1965	2009	1.900	1.943	22.7	14.2	49.4
MAY, 72	188	1479	2467	3118	1.668	2.109	21.5	13.7	44.2
JUN, 72	118	765	1237	1421	1.617	1.857	20.5	13.5	46.5
JUL, 72	146	958	1629	1466	1.701	1.531	20.9	13.4	52.6
AUG, 72	204	1301	1908	2211	1.467	1.699	21.2	13.6	46.3
SEP, 72	152	1037	1668	1846	1.609	1.760	22.4	13.8	47.5
OCT, 72	181	1157	2230	2109	1.927	1.823	24.8	14.6	51.4
NOV, 72	131	878	1636	1729	1.864	1.970	24.2	14.8	48.6
DEC, 72	85	590	898	1243	1.521	2.105	22.0	13.6	41.9
TOTAL	1720	11720	20792	22056	1.774	1.882	22.6	14.0	48.5

SUMMARY FOR THE MURCHISON MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 73	132	866	1588	1691	1.834	1.952	22.3	13.7	48.4
FEB, 73	102	602	1464	1184	2.431	1.966	22.1	13.5	55.3
MAR, 73	104	623	1898	1322	3.047	2.122	20.7	13.3	58.9
APR, 73	111	725	1562	1509	2.155	2.082	22.0	13.6	50.9
MAY, 73	134	757	1882	1336	2.486	1.765	21.9	14.2	58.5
JUN, 73	73	324	474	546	1.464	1.686	23.1	13.4	46.5
JUL, 73	62	330	547	583	1.658	1.768	20.6	13.4	48.4
AUG, 73	120	598	825	1012	1.380	1.693	22.7	13.8	44.9
SEP, 73	141	925	1565	1517	1.691	1.639	20.8	13.9	50.8
OCT, 73	151	965	1956	1821	2.026	1.886	21.9	14.4	51.8
NOV, 73	162	1069	2405	2194	2.250	2.052	23.9	14.7	52.3
DEC, 73	111	767	1862	1460	2.429	1.904	22.7	14.5	56.1
TOTAL	1403	8556	18028	16175	2.107	1.890	22.1	14.0	52.7

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING		HUNTING		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	155	963	2345	1942	2.436	2.017	23.1	14.1	54.7			
FEB, 74	100	597	1477	1288	2.474	2.157	22.2	14.4	53.4			
MAR, 74	92	586	1459	1220	2.490	2.083	22.7	13.8	54.5			
APR, 74	115	729	2282	1598	3.132	2.193	22.1	13.8	58.8			
MAY, 74	147	852	2436	1585	2.860	1.861	21.9	14.1	60.6			
JUN, 74	151	917	2607	1667	2.843	1.818	22.5	13.8	61.0			
JUL, 74	29	168	478	334	2.846	1.989	22.4	14.1	58.9			
AUG, 74	47	269	490	465	1.822	1.729	22.1	14.0	51.3			
SEP, 74	152	794	1364	1232	1.718	1.552	21.4	14.0	52.5			
OCT, 74	123	686	1369	1284	1.997	1.873	23.6	15.0	51.5			
NOV, 74	129	733	1643	1552	2.240	2.116	23.1	14.8	51.4			
DEC, 74	109	631	1550	1414	2.455	2.240	24.1	15.0	52.3			
TOTAL	1349	7926	19500	15581	2.460	1.966	22.6	14.3	55.6			

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING		HUNTING		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	90	505	1113	1138	2.203	2.253	22.1	14.1	49.4			
FEB, 75	40	278	640	627	2.302	2.255	24.0	14.0	50.5			
MAR, 75	40	248	509	558	2.049	2.247	22.8	13.6	47.7			
APR, 75	79	392	772	819	1.971	2.091	21.2	14.0	48.5			
MAY, 75	96	514	1003	936	1.951	1.821	22.2	14.0	51.7			
JUN, 75	61	310	680	629	2.195	2.030	19.4	13.4	51.9			
JUL, 75	102	598	1038	1081	1.735	1.808	20.2	13.3	49.0			
AUG, 75	119	673	1216	1293	1.807	1.921	19.6	13.6	48.5			
SEP, 75	131	741	1708	1509	2.305	2.037	21.9	14.4	53.1			
OCT, 75	64	419	836	777	1.996	1.855	22.0	14.3	51.8			
NOV, 75	133	779	1497	1352	2.179	1.736	22.7	14.1	55.7			
DEC, 75	89	478	1223	925	2.561	1.937	22.0	13.8	56.9			
TOTAL	1044	5934	12435	11644	2.096	1.962	21.7	13.9	51.6			

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MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	91	530	1168	1021	2.206	1.928	22.9	13.9	53.4
FEB, 76	88	544	1240	834	2.281	1.534	22.6	13.6	59.8
MAR, 76	138	774	2282	1549	2.947	2.000	22.1	13.5	59.6
APR, 76	122	648	1815	1292	2.800	1.993	22.2	13.8	58.4
MAY, 76	133	715	1941	1931	2.715	2.701	22.3	13.4	50.1
JUN, 76	116	665	2063	2001	3.103	3.010	22.3	13.7	50.8
JUL, 76	87	467	1461	1003	3.130	2.149	22.8	14.1	59.3
AUG, 76	112	607	1619	1500	2.668	2.472	22.7	13.9	51.9
SEP, 76	108	542	1538	1488	2.835	2.743	22.8	13.9	50.8
OCT, 76	119	584	1629	1544	2.791	2.645	22.0	13.8	51.3
NOV, 76	121	648	1789	1606	2.762	2.479	21.7	13.9	52.7
DEC, 76	67	417	1147	1062	2.747	2.544	22.6	13.7	51.9
TOTAL	1302	7132	19692	16831	2.761	2.360	22.4	13.8	53.9

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MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	62	327	1051	800	3.217	2.448	20.1	13.2	56.8
FEB, 77	99	532	1457	1220	2.740	2.295	21.1	12.8	54.4
MAR, 77	124	641	2003	1554	3.127	2.426	20.5	13.1	56.3
APR, 77	127	672	2029	1580	3.020	2.352	20.9	13.0	56.2
MAY, 77	102	554	1131	972	2.042	1.755	20.5	12.9	53.8
JUN, 77	150	816	2452	1626	3.004	2.004	19.7	13.1	60.0
JUL, 77	170	911	3467	2128	3.807	2.337	21.6	13.5	62.0
AUG, 77	101	537	2032	1548	3.786	2.884	20.8	13.9	56.8
SEP, 77	109	595	1796	1349	3.020	2.268	21.5	14.0	57.1
OCT, 77	103	538	1585	1474	2.947	2.741	21.4	14.2	51.8
NOV, 77	155	808	1993	1985	2.468	2.458	20.1	13.5	50.1
DEC, 77	77	375	984	918	2.626	2.450	19.7	13.0	51.7
TOTAL	1379	7304	21980	17164	3.009	2.350	20.7	13.4	56.2

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YEAR 1978

MONTH •YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 78	105	1643	545	1258	3.017	2.310	19.4	12.6	56.6			
FEB, 78	51	619	202	331	3.063	1.638	18.7	12.7	65.2			
MAR, 78	87	1187	463	759	2.562	1.638	19.9	12.9	61.0			
APR, 78	108	1238	557	1053	2.224	1.891	20.3	13.3	54.0			
MAY, 78	116	1603	630	1292	2.546	2.052	20.7	13.6	55.4			
JUN, 78	124	1656	685	1463	2.417	2.136	21.7	13.8	53.1			
JUL, 78	86	1004	405	768	2.478	1.895	20.4	13.6	56.7			
AUG, 78	124	1563	624	1171	2.504	1.876	21.3	14.2	57.2			
SEP, 78	125	1319	671	1466	1.967	2.186	22.4	14.5	47.4			
OCT, 78	132	1613	695	1489	2.321	2.143	22.4	14.7	52.0			
NOV, 78	144	2310	785	2098	2.940	2.671	22.7	14.2	52.4			
DEC, 78	117	1852	616	1754	3.008	2.849	22.1	13.7	51.4			
TOTAL	1319	17607	6869	14902	2.563	2.169	21.3	13.8	54.2			

SUMMARY FOR THE MURCHISON MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1979

MONTH •YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 79	100	1595	518	1537	3.080	2.968	22.4	13.6	50.9			
FEB, 79	74	1111	459	1136	2.423	2.477	22.2	13.7	49.4			
MAR, 79	121	1875	652	1626	2.877	2.495	21.6	13.5	53.6			
APR, 79	98	1807	580	1626	3.115	2.821	21.6	13.6	52.5			
MAY, 79	85	1492	511	1420	2.922	2.781	22.7	13.6	51.2			
JUN, 79	126	1881	642	1777	2.928	2.766	23.3	13.6	51.4			
JUL, 79	90	1128	471	1247	2.395	2.647	22.9	13.5	47.5			
AUG, 79	99	1489	544	1716	2.740	3.157	22.5	13.1	46.5			
SEP, 79	91	1120	446	1274	2.514	2.860	22.3	13.4	46.8			
OCT, 79	114	1346	668	1808	2.016	2.707	22.4	13.6	42.7			
NOV, 79	59	573	314	731	1.826	2.330	21.7	13.1	43.9			
DEC, 79	70	826	357	724	2.313	2.027	22.1	13.3	52.3			
TOTAL	1127	16243	6156	16632	2.639	2.702	22.3	13.5	49.4			

TABLE A II. 3. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE GASCOYNE CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

(NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE,
(1971 DATA)* = PARTIAL DATA ONLY
RELATING TO THIS PART OF HARVEST.)

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA										YEAR 1971		
MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	NUMBER FEMALE MALES	HARVEST MALES	HARVEST FEMALE MALES	RATE MALES	RATE FEMALE MALES	AVERAGE MALES	AVERAGE FEMALE MALES	PERCENTAGE MALES	PERCENTAGE FEMALE MALES
										NO DETAILED RECORDS		
JAN, 71	10	N/A	137	159	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	21.9	12.8	46.3	
FEB, 71	+43*		+645	+527							55.0	
MAR, 71	32	N/A	430	380	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	22.3	13.5	53.1	
	+21*		+310	+290							51.7	
APR, 71	114	N/A	2068	1558	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	22.1	13.8	57.0	
MAY, 71	77	N/A	1395	815	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	22.8	14.4	63.1	
JUN, 71	61	N/A	850	644	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	21.9	13.7	56.9	
JUL, 71	95	N/A	1350	942	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23.6	14.3	58.9	
AUG, 71	64	N/A	792	874	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	22.5	14.0	47.5	
SEP, 71	98	N/A	1396	1074	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23.5	14.9	56.5	
OCT, 71	122	N/A	1584	1271	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	24.6	15.2	55.5	
NOV, 71	121	N/A	1556	1208	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	25.4	15.4	56.3	
DEC, 71	118	N/A	1684	1834	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23.3	14.2	47.9	
TOTAL , 1971	912	N/A	13242	10759	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23.3	14.4	55.2	
	+64*		+955	+817							53.9	

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1972

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 72	113	N/A	1577	1493	N/A	N/A	23.7	13.6	51.4	51.4
FEB, 72	89	484	1404	1443	2.903	2.983	21.9	13.4	49.3	49.3
MAR, 72	203	1440	3265	3372	2.684	2.342	22.4	13.5	53.4	53.4
APR, 72	165	977	2586	2212	2.647	2.264	22.7	13.6	53.9	53.9
MAY, 72	133	874	2181	2091	2.495	2.392	21.2	13.4	51.1	51.1
JUN, 72	129	773	2047	1839	2.647	2.378	20.7	13.1	52.7	52.7
JUL, 72	133	785	1709	1882	2.178	2.398	21.2	12.9	47.6	47.6
AUG, 72	112	708	1391	1597	1.966	2.257	21.6	13.2	46.6	46.6
SEP, 72	123	761	1581	1674	2.077	2.462	22.3	14.1	45.8	45.8
OCT, 72	122	825	1765	1704	2.139	2.065	21.6	14.3	50.9	50.9
NOV, 72	155	997	2076	2281	2.083	2.289	21.7	14.3	47.5	47.5
DEC, 72	125	806	1579	1783	1.950	2.213	21.9	13.7	47.0	47.0
TOTAL	1602	10245	23761	23572	2.319	2.301	21.9	13.6	50.2	50.2

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1973

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 73	108	643	1483	1609	2.305	2.501	19.4	12.9	48.0	48.0
FEB, 73	52	326	769	696	2.361	2.137	20.5	12.8	52.5	52.5
MAR, 73	66	337	862	774	2.558	2.297	21.5	12.5	52.7	52.7
APR, 73	65	339	1119	809	3.309	2.393	22.0	12.9	58.0	58.0
MAY, 73	38	221	513	408	2.322	1.847	21.9	13.0	55.7	55.7
JUN, 73	65	346	656	627	1.897	2.391	22.2	12.8	44.2	44.2
JUL, 73	48	272	497	593	1.828	2.182	22.9	13.6	45.6	45.6
AUG, 73	44	247	419	584	1.695	2.362	22.8	14.1	41.8	41.8
SEP, 73	62	351	693	757	1.974	2.156	23.7	14.6	47.8	47.8
OCT, 73	78	422	785	1075	1.858	2.544	24.3	14.8	42.2	42.2
NOV, 73	67	345	726	822	2.107	2.386	24.4	14.9	46.9	46.9
DEC, 73	85	495	959	1157	1.934	2.334	23.1	14.2	45.3	45.3
TOTAL	778	4345	9481	10111	2.182	2.327	22.1	13.6	48.4	48.4

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	112	744	1540	2163	2.070	2.907	22.8	13.7	41.6	41.6
FEB, 74	68	372	784	933	2.109	2.510	22.3	13.7	45.7	45.7
MAR, 74	95	540	1240	1457	2.295	2.697	22.8	13.7	46.0	46.0
APR, 74	115	648	1644	1971	2.539	3.044	23.7	14.3	45.5	45.5
MAY, 74	72	391	804	1140	2.054	2.913	23.8	14.0	41.4	41.4
JUN, 74	107	661	1531	1945	2.316	2.942	23.7	14.6	44.0	44.0
JUL, 74	18	84	166	232	1.964	2.746	24.3	13.7	41.7	41.7
AUG, 74	46	304	621	839	2.045	2.763	22.8	13.6	42.5	42.5
SEP, 74	81	432	728	1218	1.685	2.818	24.0	13.3	37.4	37.4
OCT, 74	68	351	668	903	1.952	2.503	24.3	13.8	42.5	42.5
NOV, 74	78	446	1001	1087	2.244	2.437	23.2	14.5	47.9	47.9
DEC, 74	82	402	1036	1041	2.576	2.589	25.5	14.4	49.9	49.9
TOTAL	942	5386	11763	14929	2.184	2.772	23.5	13.9	44.1	44.1

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	89	484	1019	1337	2.104	2.760	24.3	14.1	43.3	43.3
FEB, 75	28	178	368	436	2.064	2.439	22.8	12.9	45.8	45.8
MAR, 75	44	283	471	594	1.662	2.097	22.1	13.0	44.2	44.2
APR, 75	61	336	558	719	1.691	2.140	23.6	13.4	44.1	44.1
MAY, 75	69	378	964	943	2.550	2.495	23.2	13.6	50.6	50.6
JUN, 75	96	564	1203	1337	2.132	2.370	22.7	13.6	47.4	47.4
JUL, 75	80	403	987	899	2.447	2.229	21.6	13.6	52.3	52.3
AUG, 75	69	366	869	1090	2.374	2.978	23.7	14.2	44.4	44.4
SEP, 75	90	521	1317	1408	2.529	2.703	23.8	14.4	48.3	48.3
OCT, 75	84	448	1115	1339	2.491	2.991	23.7	14.3	45.4	45.4
NOV, 75	60	332	917	685	2.763	2.064	24.2	14.0	57.2	57.2
DEC, 75	49	294	698	665	2.373	2.261	24.3	14.1	51.2	51.2
TOTAL	819	4588	10496	11451	2.288	2.496	23.4	13.9	47.8	47.8

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1976

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	118	681	1769	1503	2.599	2.208	21.3	13.8	54.1
FEB, 76	76	472	1193	1207	2.527	2.557	22.1	13.5	49.7
MAR, 76	93	565	1350	1695	2.390	3.001	22.9	13.4	44.3
APR, 76	79	506	1067	1109	2.108	2.191	21.4	13.3	49.0
MAY, 76	73	456	1025	1314	2.246	2.880	22.0	13.3	43.8
JUN, 76	84	588	1270	1434	2.161	2.440	22.1	13.6	47.0
JUL, 76	96	598	1552	1559	2.597	2.609	21.9	13.8	49.9
AUG, 76	94	612	1722	1738	2.813	2.839	21.6	13.8	49.8
SEP, 76	83	555	1420	1443	2.561	2.602	20.8	13.8	49.6
OCT, 76	104	590	1783	1941	3.020	3.288	21.3	14.1	47.9
NOV, 76	116	620	1711	2031	2.721	3.230	20.8	13.8	45.7
DEC, 76	62	348	1122	1010	3.224	2.902	21.7	13.7	52.6
TOTAL	1080	6599	16984	17984	2.574	2.725	21.6	13.7	48.6

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1977

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	103	571	2085	1743	3.553	3.053	21.4	13.5	54.5
FEB, 77	84	421	1393	1292	3.312	3.072	20.7	12.9	51.9
MAR, 77	97	548	1784	1712	3.258	3.127	20.3	12.7	51.0
APR, 77	91	550	1516	1579	2.758	2.873	19.3	13.7	49.0
MAY, 77	110	568	2028	1769	3.571	3.115	19.5	12.5	53.4
JUN, 77	105	561	1770	1820	3.154	3.243	19.3	12.5	49.3
JUL, 77	99	551	1511	1581	2.743	2.870	19.9	13.0	48.9
AUG, 77	124	676	2113	2298	3.126	3.400	20.6	13.5	47.9
SEP, 77	101	534	1747	1773	3.262	3.310	21.1	14.2	49.6
OCT, 77	118	613	1740	1880	2.839	3.067	20.1	13.7	48.1
NOV, 77	128	751	1781	2080	2.371	2.769	20.3	13.8	46.1
DEC, 77	63	311	937	1070	3.011	3.439	19.2	13.2	45.7
TOTAL	1223	6648	20405	20597	3.069	3.098	20.2	13.3	49.8

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE W/FIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 78	60	318	921	1313	2,900	4,135	17.7	12.3	41.2	12.3	41.2	
FEB, 78	55	313	863	1104	2,756	3,525	17.0	12.1	43.9	12.1	43.9	
MAR, 78	65	293	863	681	2,947	2,325	19.5	12.4	55.9	12.4	55.9	
APR, 78	56	251	612	534	2,439	2,128	19.9	13.4	53.4	13.4	53.4	
MAY, 78	76	442	1166	1125	2,638	2,568	20.3	13.6	50.7	13.6	50.7	
JUN, 78	62	353	962	1025	2,728	2,907	21.5	14.6	48.4	14.6	48.4	
JUL, 78	76	370	904	1154	2,443	3,118	20.8	14.0	43.9	14.0	43.9	
AUG, 78	100	437	1175	1294	2,691	2,963	20.5	13.7	47.6	13.7	47.6	
SEP, 78	90	449	908	1099	2,021	2,446	21.5	14.4	45.2	14.4	45.2	
OCT, 78	89	539	1095	1201	2,933	2,229	21.6	14.4	47.7	14.4	47.7	
NOV, 78	107	629	1591	2026	2,512	3,219	21.6	14.0	43.8	14.0	43.8	
DEC, 78	104	582	1525	1794	2,620	3,082	22.0	13.9	45.9	13.9	45.9	
TOTAL	940	4993	12575	14360	2,522	2,680	20.5	13.6	46.7	13.6	46.7	

SUMMARY FOR THE GASCOYNE MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 79	119	633	1614	1796	2,550	2,837	22.1	13.4	47.3	13.4	47.3	
FEB, 79	46	221	543	692	2,462	3,138	19.5	12.6	44.0	12.6	44.0	
MAR, 79	67	387	712	972	1,833	2,510	21.9	13.0	42.3	13.0	42.3	
APR, 79	122	559	1290	1761	2,309	3,152	22.2	13.3	42.3	13.3	42.3	
MAY, 79	90	418	949	1472	2,270	3,522	22.6	13.6	39.2	13.6	39.2	
JUN, 79	100	503	1106	1630	2,201	3,243	22.7	13.9	40.4	13.9	40.4	
JUL, 79	107	536	1273	1521	2,374	2,837	23.6	13.7	45.6	13.7	45.6	
AUG, 79	86	427	1044	1416	2,447	3,319	24.2	13.9	42.4	13.9	42.4	
SEP, 79	82	381	917	1263	2,407	3,315	23.7	13.8	42.1	13.8	42.1	
OCT, 79	143	744	1779	1781	2,390	2,393	24.0	14.0	50.0	14.0	50.0	
NOV, 79	165	1101	1821	2618	1,654	2,378	23.2	14.0	41.0	14.0	41.0	
DEC, 79	135	672	1411	1627	2,101	2,422	23.1	13.2	46.4	13.2	46.4	
TOTAL	1262	6576	14459	18549	2,199	2,821	22.9	13.6	43.8	13.6	43.8	

TABLE A II. 4. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE CARNARVON MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

[NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.]

SUMMARY FOR THE CARNARVON MANAGEMENT AREA										YEAR 1971	
MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST MALES	RATE FEMALES	AVERAGE MALES	WEIGHT FEMALES	PERCENTAGE MALES	PERCENTAGE	
										MALES	MALES
JAN, 71											
FEB, 71	25	N/A	486	423	N/A	N/A	25.1	15.2	53.5		
MAR, 71	24	N/A	404	376	N/A	N/A	26.3	14.9	51.8		
APR, 71	33	N/A	584	370	N/A	N/A	28.6	15.1	61.2		
MAY, 71	54	N/A	910	689	N/A	N/A	26.9	15.5	56.9		
JUN, 71	61	N/A	1100	729	N/A	N/A	26.2	15.6	60.1		
JUL, 71	60	N/A	1241	646	N/A	N/A	27.0	15.9	65.8		
AUG, 71	34	N/A	473	491	N/A	N/A	27.4	15.0	49.1		
SEP, 71	77	N/A	1529	1013	N/A	N/A	27.6	15.7	60.1		
OCT, 71	87	N/A	1313	986	N/A	N/A	27.9	15.6	57.1		
NOV, 71	46	N/A	960	720	N/A	N/A	28.9	16.0	57.1		
DEC, 71	56	N/A	857	727	N/A	N/A	28.2	15.5	54.1		
TOTAL , 1971	577	N/A	9857	7170	N/A	N/A	27.4	15.5	57.9		

SUMMARY FOR THE CARNARVON MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 72	44	N/A	913	652	N/A	N/A	26.3	15.3	58.3
FEB, 72	30	200	471	422	2.359	2.114	27.0	14.2	52.7
MAR, 72	47	414	849	593	2.053	1.434	26.3	14.5	58.9
APR, 72	41	350	868	727	2.413	2.021	24.6	14.4	54.4
MAY, 72	57	466	999	982	2.144	2.108	24.5	14.4	50.4
JUN, 72	48	349	664	713	1.900	2.041	23.7	13.9	48.2
JUL, 72	65	484	961	846	1.997	1.749	22.7	14.3	51.2
AUG, 72	94	732	1620	1207	2.213	1.649	23.0	14.4	57.3
SEP, 72	84	633	1422	1205	2.247	1.904	22.8	14.7	54.1
OCT, 72	43	287	738	659	2.574	2.299	23.5	15.5	52.8
NOV, 72	33	253	592	507	2.339	2.003	24.5	15.5	53.9
DEC, 72	45	329	911	621	2.768	1.867	23.8	15.1	59.5
TOTAL	633	4910	11008	9134	2.242	1.860	24.1	14.6	54.7

SUMMARY FOR THE CARNARVON MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 73	41	366	1045	633	2.857	1.731	22.3	14.6	62.3
FEB, 73	41	334	860	607	2.571	1.815	23.7	15.1	58.6
MAR, 73	36	260	721	559	2.772	2.149	25.0	14.9	56.3
APR, 73	29	230	689	686	2.998	2.985	25.2	15.4	50.1
MAY, 73	28	173	468	356	2.708	2.060	25.3	15.5	56.8
JUN, 73	18	85	365	167	4.306	1.970	25.0	15.1	68.6
JUL, 73	20	101	314	231	3.109	2.287	22.5	14.0	57.6
AUG, 73	31	200	578	356	2.889	1.779	23.3	14.8	61.9
SEP, 73	19	152	328	319	2.158	2.099	26.6	15.6	50.7
OCT, 73	24	194	488	426	2.513	2.193	26.7	16.3	53.4
NOV, 73	17	157	397	265	2.529	1.688	27.6	15.6	60.0
DEC, 73	20	149	410	322	2.758	2.166	24.3	14.7	56.0
TOTAL	324	2400	6663	4927	2.777	2.053	24.5	15.2	57.5

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	28	176	549	452	3,119	2,568	23.9	14.7	54.8	54.8
FEB, 74	11	98	230	237	2,347	2,418	23.9	15.1	49.3	49.3
MAR, 74	18	136	285	294	2,103	2,162	24.2	14.4	49.3	49.3
APR, 74	33	205	452	476	2,207	2,324	24.2	14.1	48.7	48.7
MAY, 74	28	191	449	334	2,345	1,744	24.8	14.3	57.3	57.3
JUN, 74	40	279	759	447	2,716	1,599	24.0	14.6	62.9	62.9
JUL, 74	27	161	370	223	2,291	1,381	25.2	15.1	62.4	62.4
AUG, 74	13	138	109	134	.790	.971	23.5	14.4	44.9	44.9
SEP, 74	19	164	325	280	1,976	1,702	24.8	15.7	53.7	53.7
OCT, 74	3	10	31	19	2,952	1,810	25.6	16.4	62.0	62.0
NOV, 74	21	228	547	444	2,397	1,946	23.9	15.0	55.2	55.2
DEC, 74	34	197	545	549	2,766	2,787	24.2	14.9	49.8	49.8
TOTAL	285	1986	4652	3889	2,342	1,958	24.3	14.7	54.5	54.5

SUMMARY FOR THE CARNARVON MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	64	346	1150	1148	3,347	3,342	24.1	14.6	50.0	50.0
FEB, 75	8	31	107	148	3,500	4,841	24.2	15.4	42.0	42.0
MAR, 75	12	89	175	162	1,973	1,827	25.3	14.2	51.9	51.9
APR, 75	23	142	322	292	2,339	2,058	23.1	15.3	53.2	53.2
MAY, 75	14	97	129	117	1,330	1,206	25.6	16.5	52.4	52.4
JUN, 75	44	191	482	407	2,521	2,128	24.5	14.6	54.2	54.2
JUL, 75	44	258	785	665	3,050	2,581	23.5	14.8	54.2	54.2
AUG, 75	29	180	517	457	2,870	2,537	23.9	14.8	53.1	53.1
SEP, 75	64	321	832	850	2,591	2,647	25.4	15.3	49.5	49.5
OCT, 75	35	212	567	511	2,672	2,408	26.3	15.3	52.6	52.6
NOV, 75	37	207	729	539	3,524	2,606	26.7	15.4	57.5	57.5
DEC, 75	48	248	884	719	3,571	2,905	26.2	15.1	55.1	55.1
TOTAL	426	2318	6690	6015	2,386	2,594	25.0	15.0	52.7	52.7

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YEAR 1976

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMMER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN,76	46		235		801	536	3.404	2.278	25.5	15.4	59.9
FEB,76	33		162		524	399	3.231	2.460	26.9	15.1	56.8
MAR,76	43		217		589	478	2.713	2.202	24.7	14.7	55.2
APR,76	37		182		469	416	2.582	2.291	25.7	15.0	53.0
MAY,76	28		147		444	379	3.020	2.578	23.4	15.0	53.9
JUN,76	32		195		571	539	2.913	2.750	23.1	15.4	51.4
JUL,76	17		110		286	246	2.607	2.236	22.2	14.6	53.8
AUG,76	52		280		824	569	2.940	2.030	27.7	15.5	59.2
SEP,76	40		224		787	594	3.517	2.654	25.5	15.5	57.0
OCT,76	38		225		674	531	3.002	2.365	24.5	14.9	55.9
NOV,76	32		166		553	526	3.336	3.173	25.1	15.3	51.3
DEC,76	30		199		578	471	2.911	2.372	21.7	14.4	55.1
TOTAL	428		2342		7100	5684	3.032	2.427	24.9	15.1	55.5

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YEAR 1977

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMMER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN,77	19		109		309	331	2.835	3.037	21.9	14.1	48.3
FEB,77	10		81		225	214	2.778	2.642	21.2	14.0	51.3
MAR,77	6		45		131	140	2.879	3.077	17.4	13.5	48.3
APR,77	62		302		1189	1166	3.933	3.857	21.1	14.5	50.5
MAY,77	78		394		1041	1127	2.645	2.843	21.0	14.6	48.0
JUN,77	67		362		822	887	2.269	2.449	23.6	14.2	48.1
JUL,77	75		367		1058	886	2.885	2.416	22.6	14.7	54.4
AUG,77	76		380		1030	939	2.708	2.469	22.1	15.2	52.3
SEP,77	40		247		496	521	2.008	2.109	23.5	15.6	48.8
OCT,77	66		383		913	879	2.385	2.296	21.8	15.1	50.9
NOV,77	30		250		651	543	2.604	2.172	23.4	15.2	54.5
DEC,77	51		327		933	864	2.849	2.639	22.7	15.6	51.9
TOTAL	590		3224		8798	8497	2.729	2.636	22.1	14.9	50.9

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YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 78	24	154	339	302	2,202	1,961	22.6	15.4	52.9
FEB, 78	30	187	444	426	2,376	2,280	21.9	14.1	51.0
MAR, 78	30	201	317	222	1,577	1,104	19.8	14.5	53.8
APR, 78	54	257	451	544	1,754	2,115	23.3	14.4	45.3
MAY, 78	45	233	533	538	2,283	2,305	22.8	14.5	49.3
JUN, 78	87	517	1105	1255	2,137	2,427	23.8	14.6	46.8
JUL, 78	40	244	391	447	1,605	1,835	22.6	15.0	46.7
AUG, 78	58	356	431	429	1,210	1,205	22.9	15.0	50.1
SEP, 78	54	329	540	615	1,647	1,876	22.8	15.5	46.8
OCT, 78	38	207	301	408	1,452	1,949	23.2	15.7	42.5
NOV, 78	64	406	787	865	1,939	2,131	24.5	16.0	47.6
DEC, 78	49	256	524	587	2,048	2,294	24.4	15.1	47.2
TOTAL	573	3346	6163	6638	1,842	1,984	23.2	15.0	48.1

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YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 79	54	321	622	792	1,935	2,464	24.5	15.4	44.0
FEB, 79	64	325	815	935	2,509	2,879	24.2	15.5	46.6
MAR, 79	35	229	393	379	1,718	1,656	23.5	14.6	50.9
APR, 79	40	253	499	617	1,973	2,440	24.5	15.6	44.7
MAY, 79	50	304	560	717	1,840	2,356	24.3	15.6	43.9
JUN, 79	57	365	673	855	1,844	2,343	24.6	14.9	44.0
JUL, 79	69	370	760	1204	2,054	3,255	25.2	14.8	38.7
AUG, 79	42	253	465	726	1,841	2,874	26.2	15.1	39.0
SEP, 79	75	448	1137	1389	2,536	3,098	27.2	15.6	45.0
OCT, 79	84	392	963	1659	2,459	4,236	25.6	14.9	36.7
NOV, 79	76	428	808	1435	1,889	3,354	25.7	14.9	36.0
DEC, 79	50	372	587	1059	1,580	2,850	23.6	14.0	35.7
TOTAL	696	4046	8282	11767	2,047	2,909	25.1	15.1	41.3

TABLE A II. 5. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE ASHBURTON (WEST) MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.]

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	TOTAL FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
					MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES
JAN, 71										
FEB, 71	23	N/A	484	117	N/A	N/A	24.1	15.4	80.5	
MAR, 71	26	N/A	459	119	N/A	N/A	26.5	15.6	79.4	
APR, 71	31	N/A	449	160	N/A	N/A	27.1	14.9	73.7	
MAY, 71	41	N/A	705	202	N/A	N/A	28.8	15.7	77.7	
JUN, 71	12	N/A	195	34	N/A	N/A	27.3	16.3	85.2	
JUL, 71	41	N/A	476	213	N/A	N/A	27.5	16.1	69.1	
AUG, 71	32	N/A	488	226	N/A	N/A	27.2	15.7	68.3	
SEP, 71	22	N/A	407	211	N/A	N/A	27.4	16.2	65.9	
OCT, 71	25	N/A	338	340	N/A	N/A	26.3	15.5	49.9	
NOV, 71	71	N/A	1219	792	N/A	N/A	26.3	15.5	60.6	
DEC, 71	47	N/A	1099	880	N/A	N/A	26.0	14.9	55.5	
TOTAL	391	N/A	6319	3294	N/A	N/A	26.9	15.5	65.7	

NO DETAILED RECORDS

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (WEST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 72	66	N/A	1001	857	N/A	N/A	26.2	14.5	53.9			
FEB, 72	48	N/A	643	456	N/A	N/A	25.2	14.1	53.5			
MAR, 72	71	461	1065	713	2.309	1.546	24.8	13.9	59.9			
APR, 72	51	343	856	502	2.495	1.463	25.4	14.1	63.0			
MAY, 72	24	169	200	193	1.181	1.140	26.8	16.0	50.9			
JUN, 72	17	95	176	114	1.850	1.198	23.2	15.3	60.7			
JUL, 72	24	162	431	193	2.655	1.189	23.7	14.1	69.1			
AUG, 72	31	162	515	231	3.184	1.428	24.9	14.6	69.0			
SEP, 72	49	326	717	706	2.200	2.167	25.9	14.9	50.4			
OCT, 72	102	667	1391	1498	2.087	2.247	25.7	14.6	48.1			
NOV, 72	90	676	1518	1474	2.246	2.181	25.0	14.5	50.7			
DEC, 72	75	568	1122	1358	1.976	2.391	24.4	14.4	45.2			
TOTAL	648	4341	9635	8295	2.219	1.911	25.2	14.5	53.7			

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 73	63	399	961	884	2.409	2.216	23.0	13.9	52.1			
FEB, 73	20	96	260	157	2.719	1.642	24.9	14.1	62.4			
MAR, 73	37	206	667	354	3.246	1.723	23.2	13.8	65.3			
APR, 73	36	198	690	296	3.480	1.493	23.7	14.2	70.0			
MAY, 73	24	148	550	283	3.724	1.916	24.1	14.7	66.0			
JUN, 73	51	305	867	610	2.845	2.002	22.2	14.2	58.7			
JUL, 73	66	389	1007	671	2.586	1.723	23.3	14.1	60.0			
AUG, 73	68	389	1106	711	2.845	1.829	22.5	14.2	60.9			
SEP, 73	87	483	1557	843	3.226	1.747	23.6	14.7	64.9			
OCT, 73	71	367	1234	801	3.363	2.183	23.7	14.7	60.6			
NOV, 73	50	254	781	568	3.073	2.235	24.2	14.5	57.9			
DEC, 73	65	306	1155	828	3.775	2.707	23.6	14.4	53.2			
TOTAL	638	3552	10835	7006	3.050	1.972	23.4	14.3	60.7			

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MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	49	215	561	453	2.610	2.108	21.4	12.9	55.3	
FEB, 74	61	338	863	787	2.553	2.328	22.6	13.0	52.3	
MAR, 74	59	259	699	574	2.701	2.218	23.0	13.4	54.9	
APR, 74	79	374	1125	908	2.989	2.413	24.4	14.4	55.3	
MAY, 74	56	303	740	739	2.439	2.436	23.9	13.7	50.0	
JUN, 74	36	134	477	233	3.550	1.734	26.3	14.3	67.2	
JUL, 74	40	260	867	574	3.340	2.212	25.4	14.4	60.2	
AUG, 74	36	170	627	330	3.692	1.943	25.9	14.5	65.5	
SEP, 74	44	310	1109	559	3.576	1.603	26.4	14.7	66.5	
OCT, 74	61	281	850	597	3.024	2.124	25.3	14.6	53.7	
NOV, 74	97	503	1408	1224	2.798	2.432	25.9	14.8	53.5	
DEC, 74	72	360	1463	878	4.060	2.436	26.3	15.4	62.5	
TOTAL	699	3510	10789	7856	3.074	2.238	24.9	14.3	57.9	

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MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	48	280	1129	694	4.039	2.483	25.6	14.7	61.9	
FEB, 75	8	44	104	135	2.351	3.052	22.3	14.2	43.5	
MAR, 75	33	150	382	416	2.539	2.765	26.2	14.5	47.9	
APR, 75	43	193	561	477	2.907	2.472	25.3	14.3	54.0	
MAY, 75	54	244	897	498	3.676	2.041	25.3	14.4	64.3	
JUN, 75	76	366	1061	935	2.899	2.554	24.8	14.8	53.2	
JUL, 75	70	373	923	741	2.475	1.987	24.4	15.4	55.5	
AUG, 75	67	395	1141	804	2.892	2.038	25.1	15.1	58.7	
SEP, 75	63	407	1127	812	2.793	1.994	24.5	15.7	58.3	
OCT, 75	61	404	1129	803	2.797	1.989	24.9	15.8	58.4	
NOV, 75	75	441	1503	912	3.407	2.067	24.4	15.3	62.2	
DEC, 75	41	250	746	443	2.989	1.775	24.1	14.6	62.7	
TOTAL	639	3546	10713	7670	3.021	2.163	24.8	15.1	58.3	

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 76	30		215		552	499	2.557	2.311	23.6	14.3	52.5	
FEB, 76	33		177		381	292	2.155	1.652	26.1	15.5	56.6	
MAR, 76	40		243		720	457	2.964	1.881	22.6	14.9	61.2	
APR, 76	76		444		1236	820	2.785	1.870	25.0	14.8	59.8	
MAY, 76	79		459		1141	843	2.489	1.839	24.2	14.5	57.5	
JUN, 76	71		432		1064	754	2.457	1.741	24.8	14.9	59.5	
JUL, 76	65		389		999	624	2.567	1.604	24.3	15.3	61.6	
AUG, 76	51		314		930	621	2.957	1.975	24.5	15.2	60.0	
SEP, 76	43		213		582	459	2.738	2.159	25.2	15.2	55.9	
OCT, 76	42		220		611	713	3.243	2.542	24.6	15.2	56.1	
NOV, 76	24		134		541	223	4.052	1.670	22.2	15.3	70.9	
DEC, 76	29		200		727	521	3.626	2.648	24.0	14.6	57.8	
TOTAL	592		3501		9794	6846	2.794	1.955	24.3	14.9	58.8	

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 77	9		44		135	111	3.034	2.494	28.1	14.8	54.9	
FEB, 77	29		171		561	383	3.284	2.242	23.0	14.7	59.4	
MAR, 77	27		159		534	401	3.348	2.514	23.0	15.1	57.1	
APR, 77	36		229		556	442	2.424	1.927	26.6	14.6	55.7	
MAY, 77	40		265		811	722	3.060	2.725	24.4	14.6	52.9	
JUN, 77	59		391		945	727	2.415	1.858	26.2	15.0	56.5	
JUL, 77	78		493		1311	909	2.658	1.843	27.2	15.7	59.1	
AUG, 77	48		289		714	620	2.466	2.176	26.5	15.7	53.1	
SEP, 77	44		288		581	562	2.020	1.954	27.2	15.8	50.8	
OCT, 77	40		221		591	523	2.674	2.411	26.6	14.7	52.6	
NOV, 77	45		271		543	450	2.001	1.659	25.3	14.5	54.7	
DEC, 77	28		193		442	381	2.293	1.977	27.9	14.5	53.7	
TOTAL	483		3017		7724	6251	2.560	2.072	26.0	15.1	55.3	

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MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING		HUNTING		TOTAL NUMBER	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 78	25	180	385	325	2,139	1,806	26.4	13.9	54.2	
FEB, 78	23	144	203	242	2,097	1,675	25.9	13.8	55.6	
MAR, 78	32	166	365	316	2,197	1,902	24.6	14.7	53.6	
APR, 78	58	372	844	737	2,269	1,982	23.0	14.8	53.4	
MAY, 78	94	553	1237	1134	2,238	2,052	23.1	14.8	52.2	
JUN, 78	51	277	619	535	2,236	1,932	22.4	14.9	53.6	
JUL, 78	41	238	546	379	2,299	1,590	22.2	14.7	59.1	
AUG, 78	44	257	557	589	2,163	2,288	24.3	14.9	48.6	
SEP, 78	60	353	771	796	2,185	2,256	25.3	14.8	49.2	
OCT, 78	64	380	834	656	2,192	1,724	25.0	14.6	56.0	
NOV, 78	66	376	1057	710	2,809	1,887	24.6	15.3	59.8	
DEC, 78	73	440	1066	942	2,374	1,875	23.7	14.6	55.9	
TOTAL	631	3746	8586	7261	2,292	1,938	24.0	14.7	54.2	

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (WEST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING		HUNTING		TOTAL NUMBER	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 79	45	282	546	499	1,939	1,772	24.3	14.8	52.2	
FEB, 79	41	255	367	418	1,435	1,636	22.5	14.0	46.8	
MAR, 79	62	401	591	531	1,473	1,323	21.9	14.7	52.7	
APR, 79	45	296	462	502	1,561	1,696	23.8	14.6	47.9	
MAY, 79	70	460	901	773	1,959	1,680	24.5	15.0	53.8	
JUN, 79	51	319	679	588	2,129	1,843	25.3	15.3	53.6	
JUL, 79	21	119	365	349	3,054	2,921	25.9	15.6	51.1	
AUG, 79	29	155	352	405	2,271	2,613	24.8	15.1	46.5	
SEP, 79	86	515	969	1011	1,883	1,965	25.3	14.9	48.9	
OCT, 79	73	438	643	848	1,466	1,934	25.1	15.1	43.1	
NOV, 79	110	789	1301	1533	1,649	1,943	25.9	15.2	45.9	
DEC, 79	66	451	798	977	1,770	2,167	25.5	14.8	45.0	
TOTAL	699	4478	7974	8434	1,781	1,884	24.8	14.9	48.6	

TABLE A II. 6. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

[NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.]

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA										YEAR 1971	
MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE		YEAR	1971
						MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES		
JAN, 71											
FEB, 71	4	N/A	54	72	N/A	N/A	21.8	12.8			42.9
MAR, 71	21	N/A	211	350	N/A	N/A	22.0	13.1			37.6
APR, 71	37	N/A	373	399	N/A	N/A	24.6	13.7			48.3
MAY, 71	35	N/A	435	391	N/A	N/A	25.3	14.2			52.7
JUN, 71	16	N/A	98	78	N/A	N/A	32.4	16.0			55.7
JUL, 71	58	N/A	397	528	N/A	N/A	23.6	14.0			42.9
AUG, 71	91	N/A	759	1119	N/A	N/A	25.6	14.2			40.4
SEP, 71	48	N/A	522	467	N/A	N/A	28.5	15.5			52.8
OCT, 71	34	N/A	263	423	N/A	N/A	24.2	14.3			38.3
NOV, 71	19	N/A	287	454	N/A	N/A	22.7	16.7			38.7
DEC, 71	15	N/A	187	315	N/A	N/A	24.0	15.9			37.3
TOTAL	388	N/A	3586	4596	N/A	N/A	25.1	14.6			43.8
1971											

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 72	45	N/A	588	773	N/A	N/A	22.9	14.9	43.2
FEB, 72	24	113	210	429	1.864	3.808	25.2	14.0	32.9
MAR, 72	40	274	788	362	2.879	1.323	24.1	14.1	68.5
APR, 72	38	400	1164	358	2.912	.896	25.0	14.2	76.5
MAY, 72	14	138	349	166	2.532	1.204	26.0	16.1	67.8
JUN, 72	26	258	675	321	2.616	1.244	25.8	14.9	67.8
JUL, 72	59	364	977	704	2.688	1.937	23.1	13.3	58.1
AUG, 72	94	585	1714	1485	2.930	2.539	22.4	13.6	53.6
SEP, 72	48	266	929	555	3.493	2.087	23.5	14.3	62.6
OCT, 72	28	220	868	170	3.940	.772	24.4	13.8	83.6
NOV, 72	32	176	579	162	3.294	.922	23.8	13.4	78.1
DEC, 72	12	40	137	81	3.389	2.004	22.2	13.8	62.8
TOTAL	462	3114	8978	5566	2.883	1.787	23.8	14.1	61.7

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 73	21	96	225	131	2.340	1.362	21.8	14.0	63.2
FEB, 73	12	95	318	23	3.347	.242	24.6	15.6	93.3
MAR, 73	29	146	396	69	2.709	.472	24.3	14.0	85.2
APR, 73	31	169	311	211	1.836	1.246	20.0	14.0	59.6
MAY, 73	53	230	566	439	2.456	1.905	22.5	14.8	56.3
JUN, 73	40	163	476	378	2.912	2.312	22.5	14.2	55.7
JUL, 73	45	227	615	441	2.704	1.939	23.7	15.2	58.2
AUG, 73	43	295	777	575	2.638	1.952	23.7	15.5	57.5
SEP, 73	37	224	622	340	2.772	1.515	23.1	15.3	64.7
OCT, 73	52	361	1033	480	2.859	1.328	22.6	17.2	68.3
NOV, 73	42	277	799	438	2.884	1.581	21.2	15.5	64.6
DEC, 73	24	167	553	125	3.311	.749	21.9	14.9	81.6
TOTAL	429	2457	6691	3650	2.723	1.485	22.7	15.3	64.7

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	13	103	275	189	275	1.835	2.670	24.1	12.4	40.7	40.7
FEB, 74	27	148	109	481	109	3.250	.736	22.1	15.3	81.5	81.5
MAR, 74	31	186	202	481	202	2.588	1.087	21.7	16.2	70.4	70.4
APR, 74	31	159	165	505	165	3.168	1.035	22.4	14.9	75.4	75.4
MAY, 74	30	153	309	340	309	2.220	2.017	24.5	14.0	52.4	52.4
JUN, 74	19	N/A	329	199	329	N/A	N/A	25.4	14.9	37.7	37.7
JUL, 74	28	213	317	397	317	1.866	1.490	24.2	15.1	55.6	55.6
AUG, 74	41	250	269	915	269	3.660	1.076	23.5	15.4	77.3	77.3
SEP, 74	39	236	446	850	446	3.598	1.888	25.9	14.7	65.6	65.6
OCT, 74	48	318	622	868	622	2.734	1.959	24.9	14.1	58.3	58.3
NOV, 74	41	248	362	817	362	3.297	1.461	21.4	14.6	69.3	69.3
DEC, 74	44	247	163	826	163	3.349	.661	21.2	13.9	83.5	83.5
TOTAL	392	2388	6868	3568	3568	2.876	1.527	23.3	14.5	65.8	65.8

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	35	230	397	534	397	2.327	1.730	22.9	14.4	57.4	57.4
FEB, 75	23	149	375	297	375	1.989	2.511	23.0	13.8	44.2	44.2
MAR, 75	40	280	504	742	504	2.649	1.800	22.7	13.4	59.6	59.6
APR, 75	35	236	438	469	438	1.991	1.860	24.9	13.7	51.7	51.7
MAY, 75	32	189	315	326	315	1.728	1.669	23.5	14.5	50.9	50.9
JUN, 75	11	59	115	59	115	1.003	1.956	24.0	13.8	33.9	33.9
JUL, 75	24	181	282	344	282	1.899	1.557	23.6	14.8	55.0	55.0
AUG, 75	31	254	446	565	446	2.225	1.756	22.8	15.5	55.9	55.9
SEP, 75	37	226	535	677	535	2.999	2.370	25.6	16.2	55.9	55.9
OCT, 75	55	307	602	712	602	2.318	1.960	25.2	14.8	54.2	54.2
NOV, 75	58	308	850	979	850	3.184	2.764	22.2	15.1	53.5	53.5
DEC, 75	6	24	58	53	58	2.254	2.466	26.8	15.2	47.7	47.7
TOTAL	387	2438	6757	4917	4917	2.361	2.017	23.6	14.7	53.9	53.9

YEAR 1976

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 76	17	44	104	93	2.364	2.114	19.6	13.5	52.8	51.7
FEB, 76	22	128	285	315	2.221	2.455	23.7	14.9	47.5	51.5
MAR, 76	48	281	703	662	2.497	2.252	24.7	14.4	44.1	49.0
APR, 76	38	241	501	434	2.040	2.632	22.2	14.7	53.9	64.9
MAY, 76	41	278	695	712	2.463	2.560	24.2	15.0	53.9	64.9
JUN, 76	34	236	492	592	2.931	2.507	23.5	15.0	53.9	64.9
JUL, 76	20	143	478	259	3.334	1.806	25.4	15.0	60.6	49.4
AUG, 76	29	227	635	412	2.684	1.741	22.9	15.5	49.4	49.4
SEP, 76	53	328	778	794	2.371	2.425	22.8	14.8	49.4	49.4
OCT, 76	52	332	768	815	2.315	2.457	23.7	14.6	49.4	49.4
NOV, 76	25	141	347	317	2.469	2.256	24.0	14.1	51.6	51.6
TOTAL	395	2476	6216	5931	2.511	2.355	23.5	14.8	51.6	51.6

YEAR 1977

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 77	12	55	159	129	2.904	2.356	24.2	14.2	55.2	53.7
FEB, 77	36	236	663	571	2.809	2.419	22.2	14.2	47.2	44.1
MAR, 77	27	195	430	481	2.200	2.461	18.5	14.3	54.0	53.4
APR, 77	51	335	682	865	2.035	2.582	22.1	14.6	51.8	50.8
MAY, 77	37	287	750	638	2.611	2.221	21.5	14.5	52.9	49.8
JUN, 77	25	177	432	377	2.439	2.128	21.5	15.1	48.3	48.3
JUL, 77	34	253	648	604	2.562	2.388	23.3	14.9	59.0	59.0
AUG, 77	43	249	743	721	2.982	2.893	22.3	14.5	51.6	51.6
SEP, 77	46	312	865	769	2.768	2.461	23.4	14.5	49.8	49.8
OCT, 77	37	268	711	718	2.654	2.681	22.8	14.4	48.3	48.3
NOV, 77	47	296	726	777	2.449	2.621	22.7	14.4	59.0	59.0
DEC, 77	52	260	837	581	3.216	2.233	22.0	13.6	51.6	51.6
TOTAL	447	2928	7646	7231	2.611	2.470	22.2	14.5	51.6	51.6

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN,78	14	80	147	213	1,542	2,380	23.1	14.4	40.8
FEB,78	24	164	353	382	2,152	2,329	22.7	14.8	48.0
MAR,78	35	220	373	431	1,596	1,960	23.8	15.1	46.4
APR,78	42	256	599	540	2,335	2,105	23.4	15.0	52.6
MAY,78	39	272	420	473	1,545	1,741	22.7	14.4	47.0
JUN,78	16	118	217	235	1,832	1,984	24.4	14.7	48.0
JUL,78	33	264	485	470	1,839	1,782	23.9	14.9	50.3
AUG,78	19	144	292	240	2,024	1,663	25.8	15.5	54.9
SEP,78	20	157	353	342	2,120	2,054	25.5	14.7	50.8
OCT,78	61	385	725	793	1,877	2,053	25.6	14.7	47.8
NOV,78	44	277	492	574	1,777	2,074	26.0	15.0	46.2
DEC,78	30	209	492	536	2,354	2,564	24.8	15.1	47.9
TOTAL	377	2586	4948	5229	1,913	2,022	24.4	14.9	48.6

SUMMARY FOR THE PILBARA MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN,79	30	186	483	448	2,592	2,404	24.6	14.1	51.9
FEB,79	30	145	329	373	2,265	2,567	24.0	14.5	46.9
MAR,79	33	223	434	500	1,946	2,242	24.4	14.5	46.5
APR,79	29	218	361	375	1,655	1,719	24.1	14.9	49.0
MAY,79	12	90	188	255	2,097	2,845	21.3	15.1	42.4
JUN,79	17	138	428	440	3,097	3,184	21.5	15.3	49.3
JUL,79	31	207	478	595	2,309	2,875	24.1	15.0	44.5
AUG,79	19	117	258	334	2,211	2,863	25.5	15.0	43.6
SEP,79	20	136	286	348	2,108	2,565	24.2	15.4	45.1
OCT,79	21	101	172	308	1,695	3,034	25.9	15.1	35.8
NOV,79	25	128	289	383	2,249	2,981	22.5	14.6	43.0
DEC,79	30	162	375	391	2,316	2,415	21.8	14.3	49.0
TOTAL	297	1953	4081	4750	2,202	2,563	23.6	14.8	46.2

TABLE A II. 7. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

[NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.]

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA										YEAR 1971		
MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	NUMBR FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCTAGF			
					MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES		
JAN, 71												
FEB, 71	2	N/A	26	10	N/A	N/A	20.8	14.0			72.2	
MAR, 71	0	0	0	0								
APR, 71	3	N/A	34	38	N/A	N/A	22.6	13.0			47.2	
MAY, 71	5	N/A	58	44	N/A	N/A	19.8	14.8			56.9	
JUN, 71	24	N/A	198	248	N/A	N/A	21.9	14.3			44.4	
JUL, 71	11	N/A	70	93	N/A	N/A	23.1	14.6			42.9	
AUG, 71	0	0	0	0								
SEP, 71	0	0	0	0								
OCT, 71	1	N/A	12	0	N/A	N/A	27.2	0.0			100.0	
NOV, 71	0	0	0	0								
DEC, 71	16	N/A	238	260	N/A	N/A	24.3	14.2			47.8	
TOTAL , 1971	62	N/A	636	693	N/A	N/A	22.9	14.2			47.9	

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 72	28	N/A	309	468	N/A	N/A	23.7	14.0	39.8	39.8
FEB, 72	13	N/A	176	194	N/A	N/A	23.9	13.9	47.6	47.6
MAR, 72	13	N/A	163	254	N/A	N/A	22.5	14.0	39.1	39.1
APR, 72	20	N/A	358	553	N/A	N/A	22.4	13.3	39.3	39.3
MAY, 72	11	104	214	267	2.064	2.576	22.9	12.3	44.5	44.5
JUN, 72	4	N/A	19	70	N/A	N/A	23.8	13.3	21.3	21.3
JUL, 72	0	0	0	0						
AUG, 72	0	0	0	0						
SEP, 72	0	0	0	0						
OCT, 72	0	0	0	0						
NOV, 72	0	0	0	0						
DEC, 72	3	N/A	33	45	N/A	N/A	25.9	14.7	42.3	42.3
TOTAL	92	673	1272	1851	1.890	2.750	23.2	13.7	40.7	40.7

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 73	5	N/A	100	33	N/A	N/A	23.2	13.0	75.2	75.2
FEB, 73	3	6	18	17	3.000	2.833	21.4	12.4	51.4	51.4
MAR, 73	0	0	0	0						
APR, 73	0	0	0	0						
MAY, 73	0	0	0	0						
JUN, 73	18	129	297	275	2.302	2.132	N/A	N/A	51.9	51.9
JUL, 73	2	17	52	22	3.118	1.294	N/A	N/A	70.7	70.7
AUG, 73	8	63	219	88	3.504	1.408	20.1	15.1	71.3	71.3
SEP, 73	34	168	430	314	2.560	1.869	23.1	14.1	57.8	57.8
OCT, 73	28	201	322	434	1.602	2.159	24.5	14.2	42.6	42.6
NOV, 73	33	217	430	661	1.982	3.046	23.2	14.1	39.4	39.4
DEC, 73	20	154	418	303	2.714	1.968	23.1	13.9	58.0	58.0
TOTAL	161	984	2287	2147	2.324	2.182	23.0	14.1	51.6	51.6

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE W/FIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 74	29	193	271	423	1.404	2.192	23.5	14.0	39.0
FEB, 74	7	31	62	75	2.000	2.419	22.5	14.5	45.3
MAR, 74	23	144	195	325	1.354	2.257	25.1	13.8	37.5
APR, 74	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 74	51	303	614	478	2.028	1.579	24.1	14.2	56.2
JUN, 74	54	334	832	823	2.488	2.461	22.6	13.9	50.3
JUL, 74	23	138	425	306	3.080	2.217	23.3	13.9	58.1
AUG, 74	33	202	485	474	2.400	2.346	25.2	14.2	50.5
SEP, 74	30	199	530	406	2.669	2.045	25.1	14.1	56.6
OCT, 74	37	221	634	438	2.868	1.981	24.7	14.2	59.1
NOV, 74	47	306	704	606	2.297	1.977	25.2	14.0	53.7
DEC, 74	23	119	272	392	2.292	3.303	23.6	13.9	41.0
TOTAL	257	2205	5024	4746	2.279	2.152	24.2	14.0	51.4

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE W/FIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 75	14	89	183	183	2.067	2.067	23.7	13.4	50.0
FEB, 75	2	15	46	13	3.067	.867	24.1	13.8	78.0
MAR, 75	19	122	225	213	1.838	1.740	23.9	13.9	51.4
APR, 75	47	311	754	562	2.427	1.809	22.8	13.9	57.3
MAY, 75	41	246	466	532	1.892	2.140	24.8	14.3	46.7
JUN, 75	21	145	327	267	2.262	1.847	23.6	13.6	55.1
JUL, 75	22	127	295	208	2.329	1.642	23.0	14.2	58.6
AUG, 75	24	199	407	564	2.056	2.848	26.8	14.9	41.9
SEP, 75	21	155	321	511	2.068	3.292	23.7	14.3	38.6
OCT, 75	17	142	304	309	2.141	2.176	24.8	13.9	49.6
NOV, 75	42	286	704	716	2.463	2.505	23.5	13.9	49.6
DEC, 75	3	N/A	30	28	N/A	N/A	23.5	13.9	51.7
TOTAL	273	1857	4062	4106	2.188	2.212	24.0	14.1	49.7

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1976

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	44	301	601	476	1,994	1,579	22.3	13.2	55.8
FEB, 76	0	0	0	0					
MAR, 76	5	N/A	65	59	N/A	N/A	15.9	17.9	52.4
APR, 76	15	80	329	310	4,113	3,875	20.8	13.9	51.5
MAY, 76	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 76	21	100	385	473	3,850	4,730	20.1	13.9	44.9
JUL, 76	9	49	90	121	1,853	2,698	19.2	14.1	40.7
AUG, 76	14	85	113	160	1,329	1,882	19.8	14.3	41.4
SEP, 76	27	152	371	404	2,441	2,658	21.7	14.5	47.9
OCT, 76	11	51	124	109	2,431	2,137	20.8	14.8	53.2
NOV, 76	16	98	191	214	1,949	2,184	19.1	13.0	47.2
DEC, 76	0	0	0	0					
TOTAL	164	941	2269	2336	2,411	2,482	20.8	13.9	49.3

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHBURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1977

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	10	53	95	155	1,792	2,925	19.5	12.7	38.0
FEB, 77	0	0	0	0					
MAR, 77	0	0	0	0					
APR, 77	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 77	26	141	323	524	2,296	3,724	22.3	14.8	38.1
JUN, 77	6	17	28	45	1,647	2,706	17.5	13.4	37.8
JUL, 77	25	122	223	343	1,329	2,813	19.1	14.1	39.4
AUG, 77	11	66	70	197	1,061	2,985	20.5	14.2	26.2
SEP, 77	0	0	0	0					
OCT, 77	0	0	0	0					
NOV, 77	10	N/A	45	126	N/A	N/A	16.9	12.0	26.3
DEC, 77	7	N/A	75	57	N/A	N/A	17.0	13.1	56.8
TOTAL	95	469	859	1448	1,932	3,088	20.1	14.0	37.2

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHRURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE W/FIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 78	11	N/A	154	244	N/A	N/A	17.0	12.4	38.7
FEB, 78	0	0	0	0					
MAR, 78	0	0	0	0					
APR, 78	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 78	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 78	13	N/A	123	213	N/A	N/A	25.1	14.5	36.6
JUL, 78	15	N/A	167	232	N/A	N/A	25.2	14.0	41.9
AUG, 78	5	N/A	55	74	N/A	N/A	24.8	14.9	42.6
SEP, 78	16	N/A	96	177	N/A	N/A	28.3	14.5	35.2
OCT, 78	8	42	105	141	2.505	3.364	21.4	13.8	42.7
NOV, 78	3	21	19	26	.914	1.250	23.5	13.7	42.2
DEC, 78	11	74	103	151	1.383	2.027	20.8	13.5	40.6
TOTAL	92	531	922	1258	1.548	2.369	22.9	13.8	39.5

SUMMARY FOR THE ASHRURTON (EAST) MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE W/FIGHT PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 79	3	N/A	15	28	N/A	N/A	20.7	13.0	34.9
FEB, 79	9	51	35	114	1.679	2.252	19.9	13.8	42.7
MAR, 79	2	12	27	24	2.335	2.075	21.2	16.7	52.9
APR, 79	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 79	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 79	13	72	92	184	1.273	2.556	25.0	14.2	33.3
JUL, 79	0	0	0	0					
AUG, 79	6	54	43	65	.796	1.204	22.0	14.6	39.8
SEP, 79	0	0	0	0					
OCT, 79	22	92	175	389	1.902	4.228	22.8	16.1	31.0
NOV, 79	7	52	55	133	1.078	2.560	19.3	14.4	29.6
DEC, 79	4	N/A	20	35	N/A	N/A	18.7	13.5	36.4
TOTAL	66	355	513	972	1.447	2.741	22.0	15.0	34.5

TABLE A II. 8. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.]

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA										YEAR 1971	
MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES	
JAN, 71	0	0	0	0							
FEB, 71	10	N/A	142	114	N/A	N/A	22.0	13.5		55.5	
MAR, 71	12	N/A	153	192	N/A	N/A	20.0	12.8		44.3	
APR, 71	0	0	0	0							
MAY, 71	11	N/A	127	121	N/A	N/A	0.0	0.0		51.2	
JUN, 71	17	N/A	235	183	N/A	N/A	22.0	13.0		56.2	
JUL, 71	14	N/A	152	166	N/A	N/A	23.6	14.3		47.8	
AUG, 71	15	N/A	264	197	N/A	N/A	23.5	14.6		57.3	
SEP, 71	52	N/A	649	890	N/A	N/A	22.9	14.7		42.2	
OCT, 71	71	N/A	863	1155	N/A	N/A	23.0	14.3		42.8	
NOV, 71	28	N/A	319	434	N/A	N/A	22.5	14.4		42.4	
DEC, 71											
TOTAL , 1971	230	N/A	2904	3452	N/A	N/A	22.7	14.3		45.7	

NO DETAILED RECORDS

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		NUMRER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE W/FIGHT PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	MALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 72	49	N/A	792	923	N/A	N/A	23.7	14.1	46.2
FEB, 72	14	104	314	235	3.028	2.266	22.4	13.5	57.2
MAR, 72	10	N/A	147	217	N/A	N/A	23.3	13.7	40.4
APR, 72	11	97	352	272	3.629	2.804	26.1	15.3	55.4
MAY, 72	13	75	136	186	1.813	2.480	21.8	13.7	42.2
JUN, 72	9	62	73	155	1.177	2.500	25.4	14.8	32.0
JUL, 72	28	203	264	373	1.298	1.833	22.0	14.1	41.4
AUG, 72	22	187	261	423	1.396	2.262	22.1	13.4	35.2
SEP, 72	35	330	641	699	1.942	2.118	22.3	14.4	47.8
OCT, 72	29	252	461	590	1.832	2.344	23.1	14.6	43.9
NOV, 72	28	223	386	466	1.731	2.090	21.8	14.5	45.3
DEC, 72	15	119	329	297	2.765	2.496	22.7	14.1	52.6
TOTAL	263	2166	4156	4836	1.919	2.233	23.0	14.2	46.2

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	MALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 73	21	203	554	398	2.729	1.961	21.6	13.7	58.2
FEB, 73	17	95	233	161	2.453	1.695	22.8	12.9	59.1
MAR, 73	0	0	0	0					
APR, 73	12	88	175	120	1.989	1.364	23.1	13.0	59.3
MAY, 73	10	N/A	130	172	N/A	N/A	23.4	13.3	43.0
JUN, 73	21	172	209	345	1.215	2.006	23.9	13.9	37.7
JUL, 73	18	128	158	253	1.234	1.977	25.0	13.8	38.4
AUG, 73	2	9	10	5	1.063	.531	28.3	16.3	66.7
SEP, 73	15	91	125	180	1.374	1.978	25.4	14.3	41.0
OCT, 73	19	150	208	260	1.389	1.736	27.2	14.5	44.4
NOV, 73	24	213	299	435	1.404	2.042	28.4	14.5	40.7
DEC, 73	11	96	197	178	2.052	1.854	27.9	14.0	52.5
TOTAL	170	1325	2298	2507	1.734	1.892	24.5	13.9	47.8

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	21	142	256	244	1,803	1,718	26.5	13.6	51.2	51.2
FEB, 74	17	94	157	156	1,670	1,660	26.3	13.7	50.2	50.2
MAR, 74	20	140	213	305	1,521	2,179	25.7	14.1	41.1	41.1
APR, 74	20	129	177	234	1,372	1,814	25.2	13.8	43.1	43.1
MAY, 74	6	32	33	60	1,017	1,849	30.8	15.0	35.5	35.5
JUN, 74	6	41	77	49	1,955	1,181	31.9	15.6	61.1	61.1
JUL, 74	13	91	145	123	1,593	1,352	29.8	15.5	54.1	54.1
AUG, 74	0	0	0	0						
SEP, 74	9	60	148	110	2,467	1,833	23.8	14.6	57.4	57.4
OCT, 74	23	160	364	458	2,275	2,663	22.8	13.8	44.3	44.3
NOV, 74	34	220	470	525	2,134	2,384	24.7	14.4	47.2	47.2
DEC, 74	17	102	286	229	2,807	2,247	26.1	14.1	55.5	55.5
TOTAL	186	1212	2326	2493	1,919	2,057	25.6	14.1	48.3	48.3

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	23	156	386	358	2,471	2,292	26.8	13.9	51.9	51.9
FEB, 75	4	24	60	55	2,478	2,272	26.8	14.2	52.2	52.2
MAR, 75	13	83	154	157	1,855	1,892	25.9	13.9	49.5	49.5
APR, 75	15	86	161	171	1,880	1,997	25.2	13.7	48.5	48.5
MAY, 75	41	282	500	491	1,776	1,744	23.6	13.6	50.5	50.5
JUN, 75	36	230	497	569	2,155	2,469	22.1	13.6	46.6	46.6
JUL, 75	14	33	214	207	2,553	2,479	21.7	13.7	50.8	50.8
AUG, 75	15	100	238	247	2,376	2,466	24.2	14.1	49.1	49.1
SEP, 75	38	282	571	548	2,024	1,943	24.6	14.4	51.0	51.0
OCT, 75	22	150	297	287	1,975	1,908	25.0	14.5	50.9	50.9
NOV, 75	18	96	246	227	2,559	2,361	24.2	14.5	52.0	52.0
DEC, 75	13	90	206	150	2,289	1,667	24.0	13.5	57.9	57.9
TOTAL	252	1648	3530	3467	2,142	2,104	24.2	14.0	50.5	50.5

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1976

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
					MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	31	175	409	338	2.343	1.936	24.7	14.1	54.8
FEB, 76	21	151	417	402	2.756	2.654	25.5	14.6	50.9
MAR, 76	24	142	349	409	2.599	2.850	24.0	15.2	47.4
APR, 76	21	149	387	301	2.606	2.027	23.3	14.0	56.3
MAY, 76	20	154	402	316	2.584	2.031	23.4	14.2	54.0
JUN, 76	21	128	326	309	2.542	2.409	22.9	14.1	51.3
JUL, 76	35	230	481	657	2.432	2.346	22.2	13.1	50.9
AUG, 76	16	127	295	268	2.329	2.116	21.1	13.5	52.4
SEP, 76	27	191	435	549	2.804	2.929	22.1	14.3	48.9
OCT, 76	22	152	456	461	3.000	3.033	21.8	14.3	49.7
NOV, 76	20	203	443	555	3.160	2.732	23.7	14.8	53.6
DEC, 76	10	79	207	171	2.620	2.165	22.1	13.9	54.6
TOTAL	277	1921	5127	4747	2.670	2.472	22.1	14.2	51.9

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1977

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL MALES	NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		
					MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	24	151	520	417	3.444	2.762	22.2	14.6	55.5
FEB, 77	14	105	222	213	2.114	2.029	21.5	13.0	51.0
MAR, 77	11	87	219	148	2.517	1.701	20.4	13.1	59.7
APR, 77	13	81	212	174	2.617	2.148	19.5	12.9	54.9
MAY, 77	31	223	404	328	1.812	1.471	19.7	12.9	55.2
JUN, 77	4	31	74	55	2.387	1.774	20.0	12.9	57.4
JUL, 77	10	79	185	126	2.342	1.595	19.6	12.9	59.5
AUG, 77	12	79	154	134	1.958	1.704	18.3	12.5	53.5
SEP, 77	19	110	252	271	2.291	2.464	17.3	12.1	48.2
OCT, 77	19	114	273	260	2.395	2.281	17.6	12.4	51.2
NOV, 77	4	20	36	40	1.800	2.000	19.7	12.7	47.4
DEC, 77	3	18	38	28	2.111	1.556	20.4	14.2	57.6
TOTAL	164	1098	2589	2194	2.359	1.999	19.9	13.1	54.1

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING		HUNTING		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES
JAN, 78	25	143	265	281	1.851	1.962	18.8	13.0	48.5			
FEB, 78	20	130	229	171	1.756	1.311	19.3	12.9	57.3			
MAR, 78	1	8	21	21	2.625	2.625	20.4	12.6	50.0			
APR, 78	13	108	247	196	2.287	1.815	20.6	13.1	55.8			
MAY, 78	12	92	196	149	2.130	1.620	20.8	13.4	55.8			
JUN, 78	11	84	170	168	2.024	2.000	20.8	13.2	50.3			
JUL, 78	8	60	102	125	1.700	2.083	20.9	13.2	44.9			
AUG, 78	20	115	214	228	1.853	1.974	21.1	13.3	48.4			
SEP, 78	17	144	295	374	2.049	2.597	22.9	13.9	44.1			
OCT, 78	8	68	149	172	2.191	2.529	24.5	13.9	46.4			
NOV, 78	12	96	197	223	2.052	2.323	24.4	14.0	46.9			
DEC, 78	21	166	383	461	2.307	2.777	25.4	13.7	45.4			
TOTAL	168	1215	2468	2569	2.031	2.114	21.9	13.5	49.0			

SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH EASTERN PASTORAL MGMT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING		HUNTING		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	DAYS	HOURS	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES
JAN, 79	16	113	166	281	1.469	2.487	24.3	13.9	37.1			
FEB, 79	22	132	164	280	1.247	2.128	24.5	13.8	36.9			
MAR, 79	26	155	211	418	1.359	2.692	24.0	12.8	33.5			
APR, 79	30	187	278	382	1.485	2.041	23.7	13.1	42.1			
MAY, 79	23	140	210	341	1.495	2.428	24.9	12.0	38.1			
JUN, 79	25	123	198	227	1.612	1.848	24.3	12.7	46.6			
JUL, 79	22	167	177	433	1.060	2.593	25.8	12.5	29.0			
AUG, 79	11	62	113	225	1.823	3.629	26.8	13.3	33.4			
SEP, 79	27	164	310	574	1.892	3.504	25.2	13.4	35.1			
OCT, 79	38	226	417	831	1.849	3.685	23.9	13.9	33.4			
NOV, 79	33	201	276	598	1.375	2.980	25.5	14.1	31.6			
DEC, 79	13	76	184	317	2.409	4.150	25.6	14.2	36.7			
TOTAL	286	1746	2704	4907	1.549	2.811	24.7	13.4	35.5			

TABLE A II. 9. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE MAGNET MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

(NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE,
(1971 DATA)* = PARTIAL DATA ONLY
RELATING TO THIS PART OF HARVEST.)

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER MALES	TOTAL NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
					MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES
JAN, 71	9	N/A	102	61	N/A	N/A	25.0	13.7	62.6	
FEB, 71	+24*	N/A	+360	+375	N/A	N/A			49.0	
MAR, 71	3	N/A	14	19	N/A	N/A	25.3	14.3	42.4	
	+33*	N/A	+486	+505	N/A	N/A			49.0	
APR, 71	69	N/A	849	842	N/A	N/A	20.3	12.3	50.2	
	+23*	N/A	+310	+379	N/A	N/A			45.0	
MAY, 71	85	N/A	1130	1298	N/A	N/A	20.3	13.3	46.5	
JUN, 71	85	N/A	973	902	N/A	N/A	21.5	13.3	51.9	
JUL, 71	81	N/A	970	873	N/A	N/A	22.3	14.1	52.6	
AUG, 71	74	N/A	887	909	N/A	N/A	20.7	13.4	49.4	
SEP, 71	108	N/A	986	1018	N/A	N/A	21.1	13.9	49.2	
OCT, 71	60	N/A	492	588	N/A	N/A	22.7	13.9	45.6	
NOV, 71	93	N/A	973	1160	N/A	N/A	21.3	13.6	45.6	
DEC, 71	85	N/A	916	963	N/A	N/A	21.6	13.7	48.7	
TOTAL	749	N/A	8292	8633	N/A	N/A	21.3	13.5	49.0	
, 1971	+80*		+1156	+1259					47.9	

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YEAR 1972

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 72	93	N/A	857	1348	N/A	N/A	21.7	13.4	38.9	38.9
FEB, 72	35	N/A	242	341	N/A	N/A	21.0	12.8	41.5	41.5
MAR, 72	73	830	814	906	.981	1.092	21.2	12.6	47.3	47.3
APR, 72	66	485	749	895	1.544	1.845	20.3	12.5	45.6	45.6
MAY, 72	56	416	483	776	1.161	1.865	19.2	12.2	39.4	39.4
JUN, 72	49	324	434	571	1.339	1.720	20.8	12.1	43.2	43.2
JUL, 72	59	N/A	463	737	N/A	N/A	17.6	11.3	38.6	38.6
AUG, 72	48	316	418	455	1.322	1.439	19.5	12.6	47.9	47.9
SEP, 72	40	203	359	395	1.769	1.947	19.1	13.2	47.6	47.6
OCT, 72	59	494	1049	760	2.122	1.537	22.2	14.3	58.0	58.0
NOV, 72	46	325	602	512	1.853	1.576	22.6	14.0	54.0	54.0
DEC, 72	38	210	358	368	1.708	1.756	20.1	13.7	49.3	49.3
TOTAL	662	4559	6828	8064	1.498	1.769	20.8	12.9	45.9	45.9

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YEAR 1973

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 73	34	196	306	378	1.563	1.930	21.1	13.3	44.7	44.7
FEB, 73	24	146	299	269	2.046	1.841	20.1	13.0	52.6	52.6
MAR, 73	35	254	439	552	1.728	2.173	18.4	12.1	44.3	44.3
APR, 73	32	225	307	497	1.363	2.207	20.1	12.6	38.2	38.2
MAY, 73	34	207	353	485	1.702	2.339	20.1	13.5	42.1	42.1
JUN, 73	29	188	228	434	1.213	2.309	17.2	12.7	34.4	34.4
JUL, 73	25	157	108	436	.689	2.780	20.2	12.2	19.9	19.9
AUG, 73	13	54	54	92	1.004	1.710	18.0	13.6	37.0	37.0
SEP, 73	30	184	265	385	1.440	2.092	20.0	13.4	40.8	40.8
OCT, 73	39	258	471	525	1.437	2.033	20.5	13.6	41.4	41.4
NOV, 73	42	286	511	670	1.785	2.341	20.6	13.8	43.3	43.3
DEC, 73	36	226	387	493	1.710	2.179	21.6	13.9	44.0	44.0
TOTAL	373	2372	3628	5216	1.530	2.199	20.1	13.1	41.0	41.0

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YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES		
JAN, 74	61	410	689	803	1.679	1.959	21.1	13.5	46.1
FEB, 74	40	258	413	460	1.604	1.786	21.2	13.3	47.3
MAR, 74	30	199	271	316	1.360	1.586	22.4	13.0	46.2
APR, 74	20	101	159	248	1.571	2.450	21.5	13.4	39.1
MAY, 74	40	230	472	543	2.053	2.362	20.4	13.4	46.5
JUN, 74	51	312	664	791	2.126	2.533	20.5	13.2	45.6
JUL, 74	19	76	126	215	1.664	2.839	21.1	13.3	37.0
AUG, 74	35	189	338	457	1.785	2.413	21.0	12.6	42.5
SEP, 74	12	60	59	45	.975	.744	20.1	13.2	56.7
OCT, 74	35	252	280	358	1.111	1.420	22.5	13.4	43.9
NOV, 74	27	149	247	275	1.652	1.839	22.5	14.0	47.3
DEC, 74	9	62	66	23	1.065	.371	24.2	14.6	74.2
TOTAL	379	2299	3783	4534	1.645	1.972	21.3	13.3	45.5

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YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES		
JAN, 75	37	271	355	442	1.309	1.629	22.6	13.6	44.5
FEB, 75	1	8	6	3	.750	.375	27.0	14.4	66.7
MAR, 75	4	20	11	11	.550	.550	20.6	13.0	50.0
APR, 75	12	46	83	116	1.813	2.534	18.6	12.0	41.7
MAY, 75	12	40	79	92	1.963	2.286	17.1	12.3	46.2
JUN, 75	11	60	106	90	1.763	1.497	21.4	13.6	54.1
JUL, 75	33	195	283	314	1.450	1.608	21.8	13.7	47.4
AUG, 75	11	65	95	98	1.462	1.508	20.8	13.7	49.2
SEP, 75	4	13	21	42	1.615	3.231	23.5	13.7	33.3
OCT, 75	13	53	107	133	2.034	2.528	21.6	13.8	44.6
NOV, 75	10	47	90	111	1.935	2.387	23.6	13.5	44.8
DEC, 75	7	29	27	76	.926	2.607	30.3	14.1	26.2
TOTAL	155	847	1263	1528	1.491	1.804	21.8	13.5	45.3

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MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 76	30	127	185	266	1,453	2,090	24.1	13.3	41.0	
FEB, 76	8	40	73	54	1,844	1,364	21.6	13.6	57.5	
MAR, 76	12	51	77	97	1,514	1,908	22.9	13.6	44.3	
APR, 76	1	4	8	10	2,000	2,500	18.3	14.7	44.4	
MAY, 76	15	54	138	140	2,550	2,587	21.4	13.0	49.6	
JUN, 76	12	42	94	115	2,220	2,716	19.3	12.0	45.0	
JUL, 76	6	27	73	54	2,704	2,000	24.0	13.2	57.5	
AUG, 76	10	55	86	99	1,557	1,793	23.2	13.7	46.5	
SEP, 76	17	59	153	113	2,651	1,958	23.4	13.4	57.5	
OCT, 76	23	109	341	226	3,128	2,165	22.3	13.7	59.1	
NOV, 76	17	103	265	110	2,571	1,067	21.7	14.5	70.7	
DEC, 76	22	167	201	196	1,200	1,170	21.6	14.0	50.6	
TOTAL	173	827	1694	1490	2,049	1,802	22.3	13.5	53.2	

SUMMARY FOR THE MAGNET MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1977

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 77	14	66	164	106	2,485	1,606	19.9	13.3	60.7	
FEB, 77	19	105	185	99	1,767	946	20.4	13.0	65.1	
MAR, 77	14	62	146	97	2,355	1,565	20.4	12.9	60.1	
APR, 77	10	42	77	34	1,828	807	20.1	12.8	69.4	
MAY, 77	25	94	272	261	2,894	2,777	20.3	12.3	51.0	
JUN, 77	11	49	121	80	2,469	1,633	19.7	13.0	60.2	
JUL, 77	16	43	88	140	2,047	3,256	20.5	13.0	38.6	
AUG, 77	17	61	124	127	2,040	2,089	19.2	13.2	49.4	
SEP, 77	28	137	247	225	1,800	1,640	19.1	13.2	52.3	
OCT, 77	23	120	339	178	2,822	1,482	20.0	13.0	65.6	
NOV, 77	16	57	132	136	2,316	2,387	19.7	12.8	49.3	
DEC, 77	6	33	80	71	2,429	2,156	20.5	14.1	53.0	
TOTAL	199	868	1975	1554	2,275	1,790	19.9	12.9	56.0	

SUMMARY FOR THE MAGNET MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN,78	3	21	95	25	4.524	1.190	18.6	13.1	79.2	
FEB,78	8	51	211	39	4.137	.765	20.8	13.4	84.4	
MAR,78	21	103	270	236	2.634	2.302	19.5	12.1	53.4	
APR,78	15	91	201	129	2.197	1.410	19.7	13.3	60.9	
MAY,78	11	60	206	112	3.406	1.852	21.4	13.7	64.3	
JUN,78	11	64	149	160	2.314	2.484	20.5	13.2	48.2	
JUL,78	8	45	93	71	2.048	1.563	21.5	14.2	56.7	
AUG,78	12	59	106	61	1.790	1.030	19.9	13.0	63.5	
SEP,78	33	144	225	223	1.563	1.549	19.6	12.7	50.2	
OCT,78	33	136	274	249	2.014	1.831	21.0	13.7	52.4	
NOV,78	41	274	401	391	1.464	1.427	23.7	14.2	50.6	
DEC,78	34	193	345	325	1.798	1.684	21.4	13.9	51.5	
TOTAL	230	1241	2576	2021	2.076	1.629	20.8	13.5	56.0	

SUMMARY FOR THE MAGNET MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN,79	49	236	354	457	1.500	1.936	21.6	13.8	43.6	
FEB,79	27	95	196	218	2.063	2.295	22.1	12.9	47.3	
MAR,79	48	187	462	414	2.481	2.218	23.7	13.3	52.8	
APR,79	31	168	390	525	2.325	3.130	22.3	13.1	42.6	
MAY,79	58	260	628	593	2.420	2.670	22.5	12.9	47.5	
JUN,79	47	227	529	630	2.330	2.774	22.4	12.6	45.6	
JUL,79	69	334	970	1081	2.526	2.815	21.9	12.7	47.3	
AUG,79	51	250	636	604	2.542	2.414	21.2	12.9	51.3	
SEP,79	66	311	837	911	2.694	2.932	21.8	13.3	47.9	
OCT,79	65	305	853	763	2.799	2.504	23.7	13.9	52.8	
NOV,79	51	232	517	735	2.228	3.168	22.3	13.5	41.3	
DEC,79	21	96	200	279	2.083	2.906	23.4	13.4	41.8	
TOTAL	583	2761	6573	7310	2.381	2.648	22.4	13.2	47.3	

TABLE A II.10. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE SANDSTONE MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.
(1971 DATA)* = PARTIAL DATA ONLY
RELATING TO THIS PART OF HARVEST.]

SUMMARY FOR THE SANDSTONE MANAGEMENT AREA										YEAR 1971	
MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		YEAR 1971		
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	MALES	
JAN, 71	14	N/A	239	306	N/A	N/A	17.6	11.9	43.9		
FEB, 71	+24*		+337	+384					46.7		
MAR, 71	22	N/A	296	395	N/A	N/A	18.3	10.8	42.8		
	+14*		+186	+246					43.1		
APR, 71	16	N/A	283	350	N/A	N/A	15.9	12.0	44.7		
MAY, 71	24	N/A	282	318	N/A	N/A	16.9	11.3	47.0		
JUN, 71	4	N/A	28	43	N/A	N/A	15.6	11.4	39.4		
JUL, 71	0	0	0	0							
AUG, 71	0	0	0	0							
SEP, 71	1	N/A	11	14	N/A	N/A	22.7	15.0	44.0		
OCT, 71	0	0	0	0							
NOV, 71	9	N/A	87	103	N/A	N/A	18.1	13.3	45.8		
DEC, 71	6	N/A	61	102	N/A	N/A	20.1	14.2	37.4		
TOTAL	96	N/A	1287	1631	N/A	N/A	17.4	11.8	44.1		
, 1971	+38*		+523	+630					45.4		

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 72	10	N/A	147	165	N/A	N/A	18.7	14.2	47.1
FEB, 72	24	N/A	358	365	N/A	N/A	20.0	12.9	49.5
MAR, 72	10	59	163	139	2.769	2.361	17.7	12.0	54.0
APR, 72	9	48	93	106	1.943	2.215	21.0	11.9	46.7
MAY, 72	13	72	150	219	2.090	3.052	20.2	12.9	40.7
JUN, 72	6	31	58	92	1.862	2.954	19.1	12.6	38.7
JUL, 72	9	45	79	83	1.743	1.831	19.5	13.6	48.8
AUG, 72	5	29	53	49	1.828	1.690	20.6	14.4	52.0
SEP, 72	20	120	400	238	3.320	1.975	21.1	14.1	62.7
OCT, 72	11	57	120	154	2.119	2.720	21.9	15.1	43.8
NOV, 72	9	56	90	118	1.593	2.089	20.9	14.6	43.3
DEC, 72	7	36	78	92	2.137	2.521	18.2	15.4	45.9
TOTAL	133	792	1789	1920	2.258	2.297	20.1	13.5	49.6

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 73	36	174	545	671	3.130	3.854	19.6	13.3	44.8
FEB, 73	21	85	285	398	3.336	4.659	20.2	13.7	41.7
MAR, 73	3	20	30	46	1.538	2.359	17.0	12.4	39.5
APR, 73	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 73	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 73	0	0	0	0					
JUL, 73	0	0	0	0					
AUG, 73	0	0	0	0					
SEP, 73	0	0	0	0					
OCT, 73	0	0	0	0					
NOV, 73	0	0	0	0					
DEC, 73	0	0	0	0					
TOTAL	60	278	960	1115	3.095	4.013	19.7	13.4	43.5

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 74	0	0	0	0					
FEB, 74	6	38	73	91	1.947	2.427	25.2	13.8	44.5
MAR, 74	3	21	45	51	2.143	2.429	16.9	14.4	46.9
APR, 74	1	2	4	4	2.000	2.000	21.9	13.3	50.0
MAY, 74	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 74	0	0	0	0					
JUL, 74	0	0	0	0					
AUG, 74	0	0	0	0					
SEP, 74	8	31	57	141	1.810	4.476	22.3	12.9	28.8
OCT, 74	13	54	88	183	1.637	3.405	26.5	13.5	32.5
NOV, 74	0	0	0	0					
DEC, 74	10	47	94	119	1.992	2.522	22.5	14.3	44.1
TOTAL	41	193	361	599	1.871	3.053	23.3	13.6	38.0

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 75	13	50	115	132	2.296	2.635	21.4	13.7	46.6
FEB, 75	1	5	24	25	4.800	5.000	25.7	14.0	49.0
MAR, 75	0	0	0	0					
APR, 75	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 75	1	8	29	34	3.625	4.250	21.6	9.3	46.0
JUN, 75	0	0	0	0					
JUL, 75	0	0	0	0					
AUG, 75	4	16	19	36	1.188	2.250	22.3	13.7	34.5
SEP, 75	13	44	94	98	2.153	2.245	18.0	13.7	49.0
OCT, 75	19	64	159	159	2.485	2.485	18.0	12.7	50.0
NOV, 75	14	44	106	146	2.419	3.332	18.8	11.9	42.1
DEC, 75	9	30	71	76	2.399	2.568	19.4	12.0	48.3
TOTAL	74	260	617	705	2.372	2.714	19.5	12.8	46.6

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBR		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	14	54	189	222	3,471	4,077	18.6	12.5	46.0
FEB, 76	9	27	76	81	2,837	3,024	20.7	12.3	48.4
MAR, 76	1	7	12	47	1,600	6,267	23.0	13.0	20.3
APR, 76	14	59	136	217	2,321	3,704	19.0	12.0	38.5
MAY, 76	8	37	117	150	3,151	4,040	22.4	13.0	43.8
JUN, 76	2	19	63	64	3,231	3,282	24.0	13.9	49.6
JUL, 76	7	33	93	115	2,862	3,538	21.3	13.5	44.7
AUG, 76	17	67	214	279	3,213	4,195	21.6	13.2	43.4
SEP, 76	18	86	335	317	3,886	3,677	21.1	13.5	51.4
OCT, 76	11	38	138	140	3,625	3,678	20.9	13.3	49.6
NOV, 76	17	59	204	273	3,451	4,631	19.8	12.7	42.8
DEC, 76	3	14	45	29	3,333	2,148	23.5	13.1	60.8
TOTAL	123	500	1422	1934	3,245	3,869	20.8	13.0	45.6

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MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBR		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	16	60	228	222	3,825	3,724	20.9	13.3	50.7
FEB, 77	24	71	234	273	3,314	3,866	20.6	12.5	46.2
MAR, 77	14	50	174	209	3,490	4,192	18.5	12.0	45.4
APR, 77	14	42	143	188	3,368	4,428	20.5	12.5	43.2
MAY, 77	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 77	15	57	209	238	3,647	4,153	18.7	12.5	46.8
JUL, 77	18	65	232	219	3,564	3,364	18.7	12.1	51.4
AUG, 77	4	24	57	106	2,369	4,406	21.2	12.4	35.0
SEP, 77	6	23	76	63	3,348	2,775	19.2	13.2	54.7
OCT, 77	11	40	145	179	3,646	4,501	18.8	12.4	44.8
NOV, 77	28	117	342	306	2,913	2,607	20.6	13.0	52.8
DEC, 77	14	62	120	143	1,930	2,300	21.7	13.0	45.6
TOTAL	168	611	1960	2146	3,208	3,512	19.9	12.6	47.7

SUMMARY FOR THE SANDSTONE MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 78	22	234	95	224	234	2,350	2,455	19.9	12.1	48.9		
FEB, 78	5	56	24	56	41	2,381	1,743	19.8	12.2	57.7		
MAR, 78	9	72	36	89	72	2,475	2,002	19.8	11.9	55.3		
APR, 78	6	108	23	108	45	4,751	1,980	21.4	13.8	70.6		
MAY, 78	14	180	62	221	180	3,744	2,918	21.0	13.3	56.2		
JUN, 78	14	205	64	135	205	2,100	3,188	20.8	12.6	39.7		
JUL, 78	12	141	37	141	125	3,837	3,402	23.3	13.2	53.0		
AUG, 78	33	448	198	448	329	2,257	1,657	23.0	12.8	57.7		
SEP, 78	38	376	191	495	376	2,597	1,972	22.4	13.2	56.8		
OCT, 78	21	306	124	306	210	2,475	1,699	24.5	14.1	59.3		
NOV, 78	16	163	71	163	160	2,298	2,256	25.7	14.9	50.5		
DEC, 78	6	45	19	45	35	2,368	1,842	23.1	13.3	56.3		
TOTAL	106	2441	951	2441	2012	2,566	2,115	22.4	13.1	54.8		

SUMMARY FOR THE SANDSTONE MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS		HUNTING HOURS		TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 79	6	65	36	65	68	1,781	2,411	23.3	13.2	42.5		
FEB, 79	3	35	12	35	41	2,866	3,357	21.7	12.7	46.1		
MAR, 79	4	29	16	29	49	1,838	3,105	20.9	11.9	37.2		
APR, 79	8	75	29	75	50	2,576	1,718	22.2	13.0	60.0		
MAY, 79	24	310	120	310	224	2,585	1,868	21.7	13.0	59.1		
JUN, 79	17	285	97	285	185	2,931	1,902	24.1	13.0	60.6		
JUL, 79	26	368	37	368	216	4,248	2,493	24.3	13.5	63.0		
AUG, 79	37	475	190	475	307	2,502	1,617	22.5	14.3	60.7		
SEP, 79	49	493	235	493	404	2,095	1,717	23.4	13.2	55.0		
OCT, 79	25	370	131	370	283	2,926	2,161	23.3	13.6	56.7		
NOV, 79	26	280	110	280	286	2,542	2,596	22.9	13.0	49.5		
DEC, 79	21	325	137	325	291	2,368	2,121	23.6	13.1	52.8		
TOTAL	246	3110	1204	3110	2424	2,582	2,012	23.2	13.3	56.2		

TABLE A II.11. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.
 (1971 DATA)* = PARTIAL DATA ONLY
 RELATING TO THIS PART OF HARVEST.J

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		YEAR
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 71	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	19.8	13.6	1971
FEB, 71	+21*	N/A	+349	+427	N/A	N/A	18.3	12.1	
MAR, 71	14	N/A	157	138	N/A	N/A	17.4	12.0	
APR, 71	55	N/A	911	1125	N/A	N/A	18.1	12.5	
MAY, 71	65	N/A	1144	1226	N/A	N/A	19.2	13.0	
JUN, 71	40	N/A	285	530	N/A	N/A	19.5	13.6	
JUL, 71	32	N/A	272	362	N/A	N/A	21.3	14.2	
AUG, 71	19	N/A	233	181	N/A	N/A	21.1	14.2	
SEP, 71	27	N/A	291	300	N/A	N/A	21.4	14.2	
OCT, 71	27	N/A	247	238	N/A	N/A	19.4	13.0	
NOV, 71	52	N/A	604	547	N/A	N/A	19.4	13.0	
DEC, 71	74	N/A	1130	1147	N/A	N/A	19.4	13.0	
TOTAL	405	N/A	5324	5814	N/A	N/A	19.4	13.0	1971
, 1971	+21*		+349	+427					45.0

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 72	82	N/A	1358	1491	N/A	N/A	21.5	14.1	47.7
FEB, 72	33	N/A	511	732	N/A	N/A	21.0	13.5	45.5
MAR, 72	49	346	739	947	2.138	2.740	19.3	12.7	43.8
APR, 72	52	330	786	971	2.383	2.944	20.3	13.1	44.7
MAY, 72	36	249	558	795	2.238	3.189	20.1	12.9	41.2
JUN, 72	40	243	582	844	2.396	3.475	19.6	13.1	40.8
JUL, 72	39	255	466	631	1.830	2.478	19.8	13.0	42.5
AUG, 72	55	331	824	1036	2.487	3.127	19.9	13.0	44.3
SEP, 72	40	263	626	910	2.376	3.454	20.1	13.3	40.8
OCT, 72	77	410	1091	1635	2.660	3.987	20.7	13.4	40.0
NOV, 72	53	234	778	1043	3.320	4.451	20.4	13.5	42.7
DEC, 72	57	247	861	1039	3.489	4.211	19.7	13.4	45.3
TOTAL	613	3579	9280	12074	2.593	3.374	20.3	13.3	43.5

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 73	41	157	552	708	3.527	4.523	18.9	12.7	43.8
FEB, 73	27	122	347	620	2.838	5.071	19.9	13.1	35.9
MAR, 73	16	46	168	281	3.686	6.166	21.0	13.4	37.4
APR, 73	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 73	0	0	0	0					
JUN, 73	0	0	0	0					
JUL, 73	9	8	20	22	2.438	2.682	21.6	14.3	47.6
AUG, 73	6	N/A	15	9	N/A	N/A	25.9	17.4	62.5
SEP, 73	8	N/A	23	13	N/A	N/A	24.3	13.2	63.9
OCT, 73	8	N/A	14	12	N/A	N/A	20.7	13.2	53.8
NOV, 73	11	N/A	29	19	N/A	N/A	25.0	14.9	60.4
DEC, 73	12	N/A	23	27	N/A	N/A	25.8	14.0	46.0
TOTAL	138	354	1191	1711	3.368	4.838	20.0	13.1	41.0

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	6	N/A	8	14	N/A	N/A	22.1	14.3	36.4	36.4
FEB, 74	5	26	75	127	2.971	4.965	26.7	14.2	37.4	37.4
MAR, 74	16	14	47	67	3.355	4.783	22.8	13.0	41.2	41.2
APR, 74	13	16	21	70	1.333	4.442	22.7	13.3	23.1	23.1
MAY, 74	0	0	0	0						
JUN, 74	27	91	272	327	2.975	3.577	22.3	13.0	45.4	45.4
JUL, 74	5	13	12	46	.889	3.407	26.5	14.0	20.7	20.7
AUG, 74	5	15	42	80	2.745	5.228	25.5	13.5	34.4	34.4
SEP, 74	9	38	99	159	2.605	4.184	23.7	14.1	38.4	38.4
OCT, 74	23	104	357	361	3.434	3.472	22.6	14.2	49.7	49.7
NOV, 74	25	89	322	375	3.629	4.226	22.6	14.4	46.2	46.2
DEC, 74	29	129	485	577	3.771	4.487	23.7	13.8	45.7	45.7
TOTAL	163	598	1741	2203	3.237	4.096	23.2	13.9	44.1	44.1

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	20	81	314	505	3.871	6.226	25.2	13.9	38.3	38.3
FEB, 75	13	50	156	330	3.112	6.582	28.6	13.9	32.1	32.1
MAR, 75	5	16	22	107	1.375	6.688	26.7	14.9	17.1	17.1
APR, 75	2	2	6	20	3.231	10.769	21.8	13.3	23.1	23.1
MAY, 75	1	6	14	26	2.333	4.333	24.0	14.5	35.0	35.0
JUN, 75	0	0	0	0						
JUL, 75	6	22	98	85	4.416	3.830	21.6	14.4	53.6	53.6
AUG, 75	3	16	63	64	3.938	4.000	23.1	14.3	49.6	49.6
SEP, 75	3	22	64	88	2.909	4.000	23.6	14.6	42.1	42.1
OCT, 75	1	7	18	24	2.571	3.429	25.1	14.6	42.9	42.9
NOV, 75	1	?	6	8	3.000	4.000	22.7	14.2	42.9	42.9
DEC, 75	6	21	87	59	4.097	2.779	24.9	14.4	59.6	59.6
TOTAL	61	246	848	1316	3.442	5.342	25.1	14.1	39.2	39.2

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1976

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	23	88	364	265	4.117	2.997	22.4	13.5	57.9
FEB, 76	7	31	104	78	3.326	2.494	23.9	13.7	57.1
MAR, 76	14	60	276	242	4.631	4.061	21.8	13.7	53.3
APR, 76	7	31	168	115	5.402	3.698	23.5	14.2	59.4
MAY, 76	7	23	113	101	4.840	4.326	23.0	14.7	52.8
JUN, 76	5	31	110	108	3.548	3.484	23.9	14.9	50.5
JUL, 76	7	37	148	164	3.959	4.387	25.3	14.9	47.4
AUG, 76	17	113	312	273	2.772	2.425	24.6	14.4	53.3
SEP, 76	41	273	731	504	2.679	1.847	23.3	14.2	59.2
OCT, 76	33	217	520	220	2.396	1.014	23.3	14.4	70.3
NOV, 76	42	261	812	267	3.110	1.023	22.3	14.9	75.3
DEC, 76	55	370	1100	430	2.970	1.161	22.5	14.4	71.9
TOTAL	256	1583	4758	2767	3.006	1.748	23.0	14.3	63.2

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1977

MONTH YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	9	65	190	121	2.923	2.015	22.8	14.7	59.2
FEB, 77	33	198	507	330	2.561	1.667	21.9	14.0	60.6
MAR, 77	25	143	499	155	3.490	1.084	19.9	14.6	76.3
APR, 77	18	120	288	358	2.398	2.981	21.7	14.0	44.6
MAY, 77	32	191	423	347	2.214	1.817	20.0	13.2	54.9
JUN, 77	22	134	288	287	2.151	2.144	21.6	13.4	50.1
JUL, 77	32	202	456	388	2.254	1.917	20.6	13.2	54.0
AUG, 77	26	162	482	512	2.969	3.154	21.3	13.6	48.5
SEP, 77	38	245	479	355	1.954	1.448	19.8	13.1	57.4
OCT, 77	40	211	541	404	2.565	1.915	22.0	14.8	57.2
NOV, 77	32	160	523	408	3.262	2.545	21.7	13.9	56.2
DEC, 77	21	96	258	264	2.690	2.753	22.0	13.9	49.4
TOTAL	326	1933	4934	3929	2.553	2.036	21.1	13.8	55.6

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 78	56	332	702	589	2,112	1,772	21.0	13.3	54.4	
FEB, 78	51	243	472	434	1,946	1,790	22.0	12.8	52.1	
MAR, 78	65	315	759	606	2,406	1,921	22.2	13.4	55.6	
APR, 78	65	393	796	582	2,076	1,518	22.4	13.4	57.8	
MAY, 78	69	408	816	917	1,999	2,246	22.7	13.4	47.1	
JUN, 78	62	319	583	605	1,830	1,899	22.4	13.5	49.1	
JUL, 78	46	210	566	527	2,699	2,513	21.7	13.2	51.8	
AUG, 78	39	178	675	596	3,784	3,341	21.4	13.5	53.1	
SEP, 78	30	161	344	358	2,134	2,221	23.2	14.1	49.0	
OCT, 78	26	106	346	382	3,250	3,588	23.7	14.0	47.5	
NOV, 78	45	192	493	541	2,567	2,817	23.0	14.3	47.7	
DEC, 78	35	138	500	514	3,614	3,715	23.3	14.0	49.3	
TOTAL	589	2979	7052	6651	2,367	2,232	22.3	13.6	51.5	

SUMMARY FOR THE LEONORA-EASTERN GOLDFIELDS M. AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL		NUMBER FEMALES	HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES		MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 79	28	126	371	364	2,940	2,884	23.3	13.5	50.5	
FEB, 79	20	70	251	269	3,562	3,818	23.7	13.5	48.3	
MAR, 79	17	65	141	172	2,169	2,646	23.8	13.0	45.0	
APR, 79	17	78	154	276	1,962	3,516	22.2	12.6	35.8	
MAY, 79	22	91	257	154	2,831	1,697	22.5	13.3	62.5	
JUN, 79	34	103	415	316	4,025	3,065	23.7	13.3	56.8	
JUL, 79	32	142	325	316	2,285	2,222	24.3	13.2	50.7	
AUG, 79	23	55	295	218	5,389	3,982	22.7	13.3	57.5	
SEP, 79	24	155	271	262	1,752	1,694	24.7	13.4	50.8	
OCT, 79	33	102	279	327	2,735	3,205	23.2	13.5	46.0	
NOV, 79	34	129	298	286	2,314	2,221	25.4	13.6	51.0	
DEC, 79	41	178	380	371	2,133	2,082	25.3	12.8	50.6	
TOTAL	325	1308	3437	3331	2,627	2,546	23.8	13.3	50.9	

TABLE A II.12. SUMMARY OF THE RED KANGAROO HARVEST DATA FOR HARVESTS TAKEN WITHIN THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA - WESTERN AUSTRALIA : 1971 - 1979.

NOTE - N/A = DATA NOT AVAILABLE.]

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT PERCENTAGE		YEAR
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 71									1971
FEB, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
MAR, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
APR, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
MAY, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
JUN, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
JUL, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
AUG, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
SEP, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
OCT, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
NOV, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
DEC, 71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL , 1971	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1972

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 72	0	0	0	0					
FEB, 72	0	0	0	0					
MAR, 72	0	0	0	0					
APR, 72	0	0	0	0					
MAY, 72	1	15	15	19	.938	1.188	26.7	15.6	44.1
JUN, 72	3	54	92	104	1.705	1.927	30.3	16.3	46.9
JUL, 72	1	N/A	20	19	N/A	N/A	27.7	15.4	51.3
AUG, 72	4	31	125	107	4.032	3.452	24.9	14.6	53.9
SEP, 72	0	0	0	0					
OCT, 72	0	0	0	0					
NOV, 72	0	0	0	0					
DEC, 72	0	0	0	0					
TOTAL	9	105	252	249	2.391	2.362	27.2	15.4	50.3

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1973

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 73	0	0	0	0					
FEB, 73	4	15	67	85	4.061	5.212	28.9	14.8	43.8
MAR, 73	4	19	122	79	5.421	4.158	27.2	15.3	60.7
APR, 73	4	33	201	115	6.091	3.485	26.9	14.6	63.6
MAY, 73	4	33	195	170	5.909	5.152	26.7	15.2	53.4
JUN, 73	7	39	100	136	2.564	3.487	26.6	14.7	42.4
JUL, 73	6	22	92	115	4.089	5.111	29.7	15.0	44.4
AUG, 73	10	47	81	146	1.723	3.106	29.8	15.5	35.7
SEP, 73	1	7	18	22	2.571	3.143	32.9	15.7	45.0
OCT, 73	2	14	34	51	2.429	3.643	31.4	15.6	40.0
NOV, 73	2	9	40	60	4.211	6.316	28.0	15.8	40.0
DEC, 73	1	9	37	47	4.111	5.222	28.6	15.1	44.0
TOTAL	45	249	987	1027	3.956	4.116	27.9	15.1	49.0

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1974

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 74	8	51	184	311	3,608	6,098	28.5	15.2	37.2	37.2
FEB, 74	3	22	97	110	4,311	4,889	28.5	15.4	46.9	46.9
MAR, 74	6	36	156	197	4,333	5,472	29.0	15.3	44.2	44.2
APR, 74	3	15	32	82	2,133	5,467	26.7	15.5	28.1	28.1
MAY, 74	1	8	21	31	2,625	3,875	28.3	14.6	40.4	40.4
JUN, 74	3	19	48	91	2,526	4,789	28.5	15.0	34.5	34.5
JUL, 74	2	15	58	59	3,742	3,606	29.3	15.1	49.6	49.6
AUG, 74	3	19	54	90	2,842	4,737	30.8	14.2	37.5	37.5
SEP, 74	1	7	22	32	3,143	4,571	25.2	15.2	40.7	40.7
OCT, 74	0	0	0	0						
NOV, 74	0	0	0	0						
DEC, 74	0	0	0	0						
TOTAL	30	193	672	1003	3,482	5,197	28.7	15.1	40.1	40.1

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1975

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE	
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES
JAN, 75	0	0	0	0						
FEB, 75	1	8	36	40	4,500	5,000	35.6	14.5	47.4	47.4
MAR, 75	0	0	0	0						
APR, 75	2	10	42	42	4,200	4,200	24.6	15.1	50.0	50.0
MAY, 75	0	0	0	0						
JUN, 75	0	0	0	0						
JUL, 75	0	0	0	0						
AUG, 75	1	4	32	26	8,000	6,500	28.1	14.8	55.2	55.2
SEP, 75	0	0	0	0						
OCT, 75	2	11	68	61	6,413	5,753	25.0	15.7	52.7	52.7
NOV, 75	5	33	164	182	4,983	5,520	25.2	15.4	47.4	47.4
DEC, 75	4	24	144	147	6,000	6,125	28.4	16.3	49.5	49.5
TOTAL	15	90	486	498	5,398	5,531	27.0	15.6	49.4	49.4

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1976

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE MALES	HARVEST RATE FEMALES	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES			MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 76	4	26	189	218	5.250	6.056	29.0	15.2	46.4
FEB, 76	4	28	142	135	5.144	4.890	26.6	15.5	51.3
MAR, 76	3	21	98	94	4.667	4.476	25.7	12.9	51.0
APR, 76	5	36	163	148	4.523	4.111	27.0	14.7	52.4
MAY, 76	3	24	93	119	3.875	4.958	25.5	14.7	43.9
JUN, 76	0	0	0	0					
JUL, 76	0	0	0	0					
AUG, 76	0	0	0	0					
SEP, 76	0	0	0	0					
OCT, 76	3	20	128	108	6.400	5.400	22.1	14.9	54.2
NOV, 76	2	20	83	96	4.150	4.800	24.2	14.5	46.4
DEC, 76	0	0	0	0					
TOTAL	26	185	896	918	4.854	4.973	26.1	14.8	49.4

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA

YEAR 1977

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE MALES	HARVEST RATE FEMALES	AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE MALES
			MALES	FEMALES			MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 77	2	12	53	54	4.417	4.500	23.7	15.3	49.5
FEB, 77	2	14	61	56	4.357	4.000	24.5	14.9	52.1
MAR, 77	3	25	78	149	3.000	5.731	24.2	14.3	34.4
APR, 77	1	N/A	39	53	N/A	N/A	25.2	14.5	42.4
MAY, 77	2	16	90	85	5.625	5.313	24.2	14.8	51.4
JUN, 77	2	14	99	66	7.071	4.714	25.7	16.4	60.0
JUL, 77	3	20	125	141	6.250	7.050	22.4	14.8	47.0
AUG, 77	0	0	0	0					
SEP, 77	2	15	42	123	2.800	8.200	23.1	14.6	25.5
OCT, 77	0	0	0	0					
NOV, 77	0	0	0	0					
DEC, 77	0	0	0	0					
TOTAL	17	126	587	727	4.666	5.779	24.0	14.8	44.7

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1978

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 78	1	5	29	30	5.800	6.000	25.3	14.3	49.2
FEB, 78	4	27	103	139	3.815	5.148	24.1	14.1	42.6
MAR, 78	6	39	150	208	3.846	5.333	23.9	14.4	41.9
APR, 78	5	37	185	248	5.000	6.703	22.8	14.3	42.7
MAY, 78	1	9	56	77	6.222	8.556	21.9	14.0	42.1
JUN, 78	1	5	24	72	4.800	14.400	21.2	13.7	25.0
JUL, 78	2	12	74	71	6.167	5.917	24.8	14.6	51.0
AUG, 78	3	22	133	74	6.045	3.364	26.7	15.7	64.3
SEP, 78	4	28	212	121	7.571	4.321	26.6	15.0	63.7
OCT, 78	5	32	153	150	4.781	4.688	28.1	15.7	50.5
NOV, 78	4	26	129	96	4.962	3.692	28.4	15.4	57.3
DEC, 78	1	5	25	37	5.000	7.400	29.5	17.9	40.3
TOTAL	37	247	1273	1323	5.154	5.356	25.5	14.8	49.0

SUMMARY FOR THE NULLARBOR MANAGEMENT AREA YEAR 1979

MONTH , YEAR	SHOOTING DAYS	HUNTING HOURS	TOTAL NUMBER		HARVEST RATE		AVERAGE WEIGHT		PERCENTAGE
			MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
JAN, 79	2	10	39	48	3.900	4.800	29.0	15.6	44.8
FEB, 79	3	13	78	79	6.000	6.077	27.2	16.0	49.7
MAR, 79	7	48	278	274	5.792	5.708	28.1	15.0	50.4
APR, 79	4	25	176	194	7.040	7.760	28.0	14.2	47.6
MAY, 79	4	29	153	193	5.249	6.621	26.1	14.9	44.2
JUN, 79	5	35	158	305	4.514	8.714	25.7	14.4	34.1
JUL, 79	7	44	156	319	3.391	6.935	28.0	15.0	32.8
AUG, 79	3	26	111	134	4.269	5.154	27.8	15.4	45.3
SEP, 79	4	33	125	146	3.788	4.424	27.9	15.4	46.1
OCT, 79	3	18	95	100	5.278	5.556	27.5	15.1	48.7
NOV, 79	8	24	110	62	4.605	2.595	30.0	15.7	64.0
DEC, 79	16	38	210	201	5.474	5.240	29.8	16.8	51.1
TOTAL	66	337	1689	2055	5.012	6.098	27.9	15.1	45.1

APPENDIX III

LISTING OF DISTRICT RAINFALL DATA USED IN DERIVING
CORRELATIONS GIVEN IN TABLE A I. 1. AND
EQUATIONS GIVEN IN TABLE A I. 2., APPENDIX I

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LISTING OF DISTRICT RAINFALL DATA USED IN DERIVING CORRELATIONS GIVEN IN TABLE A I. 1.
AND EQUATIONS GIVEN IN TABLE A I. 2., APPENDIX I.

(Data Source and Data as Described in Appendix I)

Month & Year	District 7 = GC	District 7A = MU	District 6 = CN
0166	34	2	0
0266	18	15	1
0366	10	4	0
0466	87	81	64
0566	0	0	16
0666	14	22	27
0766	0	14	22
0866	11	12	17
0966	0	5	5
1066	28	27	2
1166	6	5	1
1266	1	0	0
0167	51	89	111
0267	21	3	36
0367	1	0	5
0467	0	3	3
0567	15	37	37
0667	0	20	44
0767	0	19	12
0867	3	20	33
0967	0	3	0
1067	2	7	1
1167	3	3	1
1267	48	15	0
0168	20	24	20
0268	49	18	20
0368	65	52	18
0468	21	34	49
0568	14	20	8
0668	63	99	92
0768	27	10	13
0868	3	8	3
0968	6	12	5
1068	4	1	2
1168	0	3	0
1268	2	0	0
0169	15	0	0
0269	26	19	3
0369	0	0	0
0469	0	2	3
0569	43	54	55
0669	6	19	36
0769	0	7	4
0869	0	1	1
0969	0	6	5
1069	1	3	2
1169	0	4	2
1269	3	1	1
0170	7	2	0
0270	2	56	114
0370	11	4	0
0470	15	29	37
0570	71	31	50
0670	3	29	29
0770	2	8	8
0870	0	6	6
0970	22	11	13
1070	0	3	2
1170	0	1	1

Month & Year	District 7 = GC	District 7A = MU	District 6 = CN
1270	3	17	2
0171	21	19	52
0271	56	37	4
0371	21	35	28
0471	0	3	1
0571	12	14	15
0671	132	29	20
0771	14	54	133
0871	4	16	34
0971	0	2	0
1071	0	7	9
1171	5	2	0
1271	0	0	2
0172	0	4	4
0272	6	4	0
0372	9	5	4
0472	0	0	0
0572	2	14	47
0672	8	40	57
0772	52	55	94
0872	3	13	12
0972	0	10	6
1072	1	0	4
1172	6	8	0
1272	20	2	0
0173	110	6	11
0273	2	5	0
0373	47	0	32
0473	36	26	14
0573	37	27	28
0673	41	35	56
0773	42	62	41
0873	27	22	21
0973	1	10	4
1073	3	7	6
1173	10	18	5
1273	51	13	52
0174	26	17	19
0274	25	14	5
0374	54	34	21
0474	22	34	4
0574	9	49	61
0674	7	15	23
0774	74	101	128
0874	22	32	36
0974	5	23	2
1074	4	11	31
1174	3	7	1
1274	6	10	2
0175	2	0	0
0275	42	157	103
0375	90	43	27
0475	22	79	44
0575	4	30	23
0675	6	29	40
0775	23	31	41
0875	1	17	8
0975	1	4	4
1075	42	57	39
1175	41	38	54
1275	88	18	1
0176	32	6	9
0276	20	28	15
0376	37	4	5
0476	8	17	1

Month & Year	District 7 = GC	District 7A = MU	District 6 = CN
0576	4	14	21
0676	0	5	5
0776	1	5	28
0876	12	9	25
0976	4	11	7
1076	9	19	5
1176	0	2	1
1276	16	0	0
0177	12	2	3
0277	3	2	4
0377	27	10	18
0477	1	10	13
0577	15	15	48
0677	11	16	41
0777	2	4	0
0877	7	12	3
0977	1	1	0
1077	1	4	2
1177	9	8	3
1277	18	30	1
0178	20	51	16
0278	72	63	26
0378	44	4	21
0478	6	11	43
0578	0	1	1
0678	6	10	18
0778	21	43	32
0878	60	31	16
0978	1	21	4
1078	5	3	0
1178	9	3	0
1278	3	9	0
0179	5	0	0
0279	54	18	21
0379	27	5	26
0479	19	16	5
0579	19	7	6
0679	1	14	7
0779	0	5	0
0879	26	16	12
0979	4	1	0
1079	0	0	0
1179	1	7	0
1279	23	14	5