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## Appendix C. Data Set Contents

Appendix C contains information on the EMAP National Coastal database structure. The data set contents provides attribute formats and descriptions. Groups are requested to provide all data sets and attributes within a data set that are relevant. Attributes listed in **bold** are mandatory fields.

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## Stations

Geographic location and statistical information appear in the station location data set. Latitude and longitude are required for each station. Other geographic information aids in subsetting and analyzing the data. Statistical data (station area, strata) are also useful for statistical analyses. There is one record for each station. Descriptions followed by (code) should refer to the Geographic/Statistical Code data sets (Appendix D).

Data Set Name: STA\_LOC                      Station location data                      Variables: 17

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier designated by sampling group
2	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling (code)
3	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	8	4.	Year of sampling
4	<b>REG_CODE</b>	Char	4	\$4.	EPA region code (code)
5	<b>SYS_CODE</b>	Char	6	\$6.	Large water body where station located (code)
6	<b>STATE</b>	Char	2	\$2.	FIPS State code (code)
7	CLASCODE	Char	18	\$18.	Station class-determines sampling regime (code)
8	STRATA	Char	6	\$6.	Design strata:large/small/tidal river (code)
9	ESTUARY	Char	50	\$50.	Small water body where station located
10	STA_AREA	Num	8	7.2	Statistical area (sq. km.) of station
11	<b>LNGITUDE</b>	Num	8	9.3	Longitude of station
12	<b>LATITUDE</b>	Num	8	9.3	Latitude of station
13	RESOURCE	Char	20	\$20.	Project conducting sampling (code)
14	EMAPSTAT	Char	20	\$20.	EMAP station name
15	SEGMENT	Char	20	\$20.	Segment in which station is located
16	MAIASTAT	Char	20	\$20.	MAIA station name
17	PROVINCE	Char	4	\$4.	EMAP Province (code)

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Sampling Visits

Each visit to a station is recorded in the sampling visits data set. One station may have multiple records with a unique sample collection date and visit number. All other data sets must have a station and date combination that matches one in sampling visits.

Data Set Name: SAMP\_VIS          Sampling Visit Information          Variables: 7

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	8	4.	Year during which data were collected
5	DEPTH	Num	8	5.1	Depth at station at time of sampling
6	D_UNITS	Char	4	\$4.	Depth units (m, ft)
7	<b>VISNUM</b>	Num	8	2.	Number of visit to station

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE VISNUM

Observed Objects

Data groups have recorded the presence of ‘man-made’ or ‘natural’ objects in trawls and visually from the sampling boats. Objects are recorded as present/absent (Y/N) in OBJ\_PRES either seen from the working platform (Visually) or collected in a trawl (Trawl) in OBS\_MADE. Man-made objects include balls, cans, bottles, metal, paper, man-made wood, among others and could be considered as ‘trash’. Natural material includes objects like natural wood, algae or dead organisms. All information should be condensed to one record/station per visit or per trawl and should not be made quantitative.

Data Set Name: OBS\_OBJ          Objects (man-made/natural) observed          Variables: 9

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Date of sample collection
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group collecting data
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year in which data were collected
5	<b>REPNUM</b>	Num	3	3.	Trawl replicate or visit number
6	<b>OBS_MADE</b>	Char	20	\$20.	Object observed from: report as ‘trawl’ or ‘visually’
7	<b>OBJ_PRES</b>	Char	3	\$3.	Object present:Y/N
8	OBJ1	Char	20	\$20.	Man-made object or natural material
9	OBJ2	Char	20	\$20.	Man-made object or natural material

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**Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data**

Results and field data from benthic samples can be provided at several levels: replicate abundance and biomass measurements, abundance data summarized by taxon and station or abundance and physical measurements summarized at the station level. Replicate results data are related to a benthic grab data set (BENGRABS) which provides one record for each replicate sample collected at a station. Even if sediment data are not available for each replicate, collection and gear information should be reported. For abundance and biomass data, the ITIS taxonomic serial number (TSN) for the Latin name should be used consistently throughout all data sets. A taxonomic code lookup table format follows (Appendix D).

Data Set Name: BENGRABS      Benthic grab replicate information      Variables: 12

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group collecting data
2	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	The year sampling occurred
3	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
4	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Date samples was conducted
5	<b>REP_NUM</b>	Num	8	2.	Benthic grab replicate number
6	<b>BENDEPTH</b>	Num	8	4.	Depth of grab penetration (mm)
7	<b>SILTCLAY</b>	Num	8	6.3	Silt-clay content (%)
8	<b>MOISTURE</b>	Num	8	5.2	Moisture content (%)
9	<b>RPDDEPTH</b>	Num	8	3.	Redox potential discontinuity depth (mm) by replicate
10	<b>GRABAREA</b>	Num	8	6.2	Area sampled by benthic grab
11	<b>AREAUNTS</b>	Char	8	\$8.	Units of area sampled
12	<b>COL_GEAR</b>	Char	250	\$30.	Name of benthic sampling gear

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE REP\_NUM

**Replicate Abundance Data**

The benthic replicate abundance measurements should be provided with one record for each taxon found in a replicate for each station visit. Sieve size may further subset the data, but is not mandatory. The species ignored codes (SPEC\_IGN) should be resolved as shown in Appendix D.

Data Set Name: BEN\_ABUN      Benthic Abundance by replicate      Variables: 9

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
2	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year during which data were collected
3	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
4	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
5	<b>TSN</b>	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
6	<b>REP_ABN</b>	Num	8	6.	Taxon abundance (# / sample)
7	<b>SPEC_IGN</b>	Char	1	\$1.	Flag: if ignore taxon for # taxon (total species richness)
8	<b>REP_NUM</b>	Num	8	1.	Replicate number
9	<b>SIEVE_MM</b>	Num	8	5.2	Sieve size (mm)

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE REP\_NUM TSN SIEVE\_MM

Replicate Biomass Data

Benthic biomass measurements should be provided as one record for each taxonomic group weighed per sample. Sieve size may be a factor, but is not mandatory. Each station, visit date, replicate number combination should have a record in BENGGRABS. The taxonomic code table is detailed in Appendix D.

Data Set Name: BIOMASS      Benthic biomass data by replicate      Variables: 9

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
2	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year during which data were collected
3	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
4	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
5	<b>REP_NUM</b>	Num	3	3.	Sample replicate number
6	<b>TSN</b>	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
7	<b>SIEVE_MM</b>	Num	8	5.2	Sieve size (mm)
8	<b>BIOMASS</b>	Num	8	7.5	Biomass (g / Sample)
9	<b>BIOM_ABN</b>	Num	4	4.	Count (#) of organisms. in biomass sample

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE REP\_NUM TSN SIEVE\_MM

Summary Abundance Data by Taxon by Station

The benthic station abundance values should be provided with one record for each taxon found per station. Mean abundance is calculated across 'n' grabs collected at a station. The taxonomic code table is detailed in Appendix D.

Data Set Name: BEN\_SPEC      Benthic Species by taxon and station      Variables: 8

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
2	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year of sample collection
3	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
4	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
5	<b>TSN</b>	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
6	<b>BSPECABN</b>	Num	8	6.	Organisms of the taxon:total #
7	<b>BSPEC_MA</b>	Num	8	6.2	Organisms of the taxon:mean #/grab
8	<b>BSPECSTD</b>	Num	8	6.2	Organisms of the taxon:SD of mean/grab

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE TSN

### Summary Abundance and Physical Data by Station

The benthic station summary values should be provided with one record for each station. Values are calculated across all grabs and all or a subset of taxa collected at a station.

Data Set Name: BENTHOS      Benthic Summary by Station      Variables:      24

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	STATION	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	VST_DATE	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	DATA_GRP	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
4	SAMPYEAR	Num	8	4.	Year sampling conducted
5	N_ABUN	Num	8	3.	# grabs analyzed, abundance data
6	BSP_TOT	Num	8	6.	Total # benthic taxa in 'n' grabs
7	TNSP_INF	Num	8	4.	Total number of infauna taxa
8	TNSP_EPI	Num	8	4.	Total number of epifauna taxa
9	BSP_MEAN	Num	8	7.2	Mean # benthic taxa in 'n' grabs
10	MNSP_INF	Num	8	7.2	Mean number of infauna taxa per grab
11	MNSP_EPI	Num	8	7.2	Mean number of epifauna taxa per grab
12	BSP_TABN	Num	8	6.	Total abundance per grab, all organisms
13	INF_TABN	Num	8	6.	Total abundance per grab, all infauna
14	EPI_TABN	Num	8	6.	Total abundance per grab, all epifauna
15	BSP_MABN	Nu	8	7.2	Total abundance per grab, all organisms
16	INF_MABN	Num	8	7.2	Mean abundance per grab, all infauna
17	EPI_MABN	Num	8	7.2	Mean abundance per grab, all epifauna
18	BMAS_MN	Num	8	6.4	Mean biomass per grab, all species
19	BMAS_TOT	Num	8	6.4	Total biomass per grab, all species
20	SICL_B_M	Num	8	6.3	Mean silt/clay content (%) in 'n' cores
21	MOIS_M	Num	8	5.2	Mean moisture content (%) in 'n' cores
22	GRAB_PEN	Num	8	4.	Grab penetration: mean depth (mm)
23	RPD_MDEP	Num	8	3	Redox potential discontinuity:(RPD) mean depth (mm)
24	H_DIV_IND	Num	8	6.3	Mean infaunal H prime diversity per grab

Sortedby:      STATION VST\_DATE SAMPYEAR

**Benthic Index Data**

Some groups have established an algorithm to estimate if a station is considered in degraded or non-degraded condition. The values are presented by station and date. Each data group would have a separate table since algorithms would be different. All parameters associated with an index may be included in this data set.

Data Set Name: B\_INDEX      Benthic Index Data      Variables: 5

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group collecting data
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year during which data were collected
5	<b>B_INDEX</b>	Num	8	9.5	Benthic index: VA94 algorithm

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE

**Water Measurements**

Physical, chemical and nutrient measurements taken with instruments or under ambient conditions are presented in water measurements. Each measurement taken is defined under WM\_NAME. The location in the water column where the sample was taken (COL\_LOC) is recorded as well as the method. QA codes can be associated with individual measurements. A list of currently used water measurement names appears in Appendix D.

Data Set Name: WTR\_MEAS      Water measurement data ( physical, nutrient)      Variables: 13

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year of sample collection
5	<b>WM_UNITS</b>	Char	10	\$10.	Measurement units
6	<b>WM_NAME</b>	Char	25	\$25.	Measurement name
7	<b>MEASURE</b>	Num	8	13.4	Measurement or concentration
8	<b>COL_LOC</b>	Char	10	\$10.	Collection location (Surface, mid-depth, bottom, varies)
9	<b>MEAS_DEP</b>	Num	8	5.1	Measurement depth
10	<b>DEP_UNIT</b>	Char	2	\$2.	Depth units (m, ft)
11	<b>COL_PROP</b>	Char	25	\$25.	Collection property: vertical profile/ambient
12	<b>METHOD</b>	Char	25	\$25.	Analysis method (CTD, Hydrolab surveyor,etc.)
13	<b>QACODE</b>	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code related to water measurement (code)

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE WM\_NAME COL\_LOC



Alternatively, water quality data can be submitted in a more conventional manner with each parameter as an attribute in the data set. Nutrient data could also appear in this format.

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	8	8.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	YYMMDD6.	The date the sample was collected
3	<b>SRF_DO</b>	Num	8	5.1	Dissolved oxygen (mg/l) at the surface
4	<b>SRF_TEMP</b>	Num	8	5.2	Temperature (C) at the surface
5	<b>SRF_SAL</b>	Num	8	5.2	Salinity (ppt) at the surface
6	SRF_PH	Num	8	5.1	pH (units) at the surface
7	SRF_PAR	Num	8	5.	PAR (mE/m2/s) at the surface
8	SRF_TRNS	Num	8	4.	Transmissivity (%) at the surface
9	SRF_FLR	Num	8	4.	Fluorescence at the surface
10	SRF_DENS	Num	8	5.2	Density (Sigma T) at the surface
11	<b>BTM_DO</b>	Num	8	5.1	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) at the bottom
12	<b>BTM_TEMP</b>	Num	8	5.2	Temperature (C) at the bottom
13	<b>BTM_SAL</b>	Num	8	5.2	Salinity (ppt) at the bottom
14	BTM_PH	Num	8	5.1	pH (units) at the bottom
15	BTM_PAR	Num	8	5.	PAR (mE/m2/s) at the bottom
16	BTM_TRNS	Num	8	4.	Transmissivity (%) at the bottom
17	BTM_FLR	Num	8	4.	Fluorescence at the bottom
18	BTM_DENS	Num	8	5.2	Density (Sigma T) at the bottom
19	MAX_FLR	Num	8	4.	Maximum fluorescence measured in VP file
20	K_PAR	Num	8	7.3	Rate of light extinction
21	AVG_K	Num	8	7.3	Average rate of light extinction
22	COMP_PAR	Num	8	5.1	Depth where PAR = 1 % of SRF PAR
23	TRNS_1MT	Num	8	4.	Transmissivity (%) at 1 meter
24	SS_CONC	Num	8	7.1	Total suspended solids conc. (mg/l)
25	SECCHI	Num	8	6.1	Secchi depth (m)
26	QACODE	Char	30	\$30.	Quality Assurance code for data

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Sediment

Chemical Analyses

Results of sediment chemical analyses should be reported in a single file. It should contain one record for each analyte measured in a sample (multiple records per sample). Only one result (CONC) should be reported for each analyte for each sample. A value for the MDL (method detection limit) should be provided in the DETLIMIT field for every sample where the analyte is not detected or is detected at or below the detection limit.

Data Set Name: SED\_CHEM      Sediment Chemistry analyte concentrations      Variables: 10

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year of sample collection
5	<b>ANALYTE</b>	Char	8	\$8.	Code for analyte measured
6	<b>CONC</b>	Num	8	13.6	Concentration of analyte in sample
7	<b>UNITS</b>	Char	15	\$15.	Concentration units of measure
8	MDL	Num	8	13.6	Method detection limit
9	TOT_ANAL	Num	8	3.	Analytes (#) included in summed conc.
10	QACODE	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code related to sediment analyte (code)

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE ANALYTE

## Grain Size

Grain size measurements associated with a sediment chemistry sample should be provided in a data set with one record for each sample.

Data Set Name: SEDGRAIN    Sediment Grain Data    Variables:    17

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	STATION	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	VST_DATE	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	DATA_GRP	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
4	SAMPYEAR	Num	4	4.	Year of sample collection
5	Q1_PHI	Num	8	5.1	25% Quartile diameter (Phi)
6	SKEWNESS	Num	8	5.1	Phi Quartile skewness (Folk 1974)
7	SILT_PC	Num	8	5.1	Silt content (%)
8	SICL_PC	Num	8	5.1	Silt-clay content (%)
9	SAND_PC	Num	8	5.1	Sand content (%)
10	CLAY_PC	Num	8	5.1	Clay content (%)
11	Q3_PHI	Num	8	5.1	75% Quartile diameter (Phi)
12	MED_DIAM	Num	8	5.1	Median diameter (Phi)
13	QUARDVTN	Num	8	5.1	Phi Quartile deviation (Folk 1974)
14	MOISTURE	Num	8	5.1	Moisture content (%)
15	TOC	Num	8	6.3	Total organic carbon (TOC) amount
16	TOC_UNITS	Num	8	6.3	Total organic carbon (TOC) units
17	QACODE	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code related to grain analyses (code)

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Toxicity: Sediment/Microtox Test

Results of all toxicity tests should be reported in the toxicity test data set. These include sediment and Microtox tests and may be conducted on one or more organisms. Mortality or growth data can be summarized several ways.

Data Set Name: TOXICITY    Toxicity Test Data    Variables: 14

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	STATION	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	VST_DATE	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	DATA_GRP	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
4	SAMPYEAR	Num	4	4.	Sample collection year
5	TESTSPEC	Char	60	\$60.	Species (Latin name) used in test
6	TESTTYPE	Char	10	\$10.	Type of test - sediment, Microtox
7	RSLTMEAS	Char	15	\$40.	Unit of result (growth/survival/EC50)
8	RESULT	Num	8	5.1	Result value
9	STATCODE	Char	3	\$3.	Sig diff from control (Y/N); toxic, non-toxic, etc.
10	MOISTURE	Num	8	11.1	Moisture content (%)
11	TESTNUM	Num	8	2.	Number of test if replicate of same species
12	P_VALUE	Num	8	7.4	P-value for statistical test
13	PW_UNAM	Num	8	8.3	Un-Ionized ammonia (mg/L) in pore water
14	QACODE	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code(s)

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE TESTTYPE TESTSPEC

Alternatively, toxicity data from different tests can be submitted in a more conventional manner with each test parameter as an attribute in the data set.

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	STATION	Char	12	12.	The Station identifier
2	VST_DATE	Num	8	YYMMDD6.	The date the sample was collected
3	LAT_NAME	Char	8	\$8.	Latin name
4	SURVIVAL	Num	8	5.1	Ampelisca % survival (samp mean as % of control)
5	SIG_CONT	Char	8	\$3.	Ampelisca sig. diff. from control (sample mean as % mortality)
6	EC50_MC	Num	8	12.3	Microtox corrected mean EC50 (%)
7	MTOX_SIG	Char	3	\$3	Microtox test significance
8	QACODE	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code(s)

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### Netted Organisms

Field data from trawl and seine samples can be provided at several levels: replicate abundance and length measurements, abundance and length data summarized by taxon and station or abundance measurements summarized at the station level. For abundance, length and biomass data, the ITIS taxonomic serial number (TSN) for the appropriate Latin name should be used consistently throughout all data sets. A taxonomic code lookup table format follows (Appendix D).

### Replicate Abundance and Collection Information

Replicate trawl or seine data are presented as one record for each taxon collected in each replicate trawl or seine conducted at a station. Length can be reported as a mean for all organisms of a taxon or as multiple size classes for a taxon. The taxon information should be resolved in a code table. Gear description and type collection information are also reported.

Data Set Name: NET\_ORG      Abundance of organisms collected by trawl/seine      Variables: 14

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
2	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group collecting data
3	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year during which data were collected
4	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Date of sample collection
5	<b>REP_NUM</b>	Num	3	3.	Replicate number
6	<b>TSN</b>	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
7	<b>FSPECNUM</b>	Num	8	6.	Total # of organisms in replicate
8	<b>FSPEC_ML</b>	Num	8	6.1	Mean length of organisms
9	<b>FSPEC_SD</b>	Num	8	6.1	Standard dev. length
10	<b>LEN_UNITS</b>	Char	8	\$8.	Length units (mm, cm)
11	<b>NUM_LENS</b>	Num	8	3.	# organisms measured
12	<b>COL_TYPE</b>	Char	5	\$5.	Type of collection: trawl/seine
13	<b>GEARTYPE</b>	Char	250	\$250.	Gear type description
14	<b>SIZECLAS</b>	Num	8	4.	Size class length of organism

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE REP\_NUM TSN

Trawl Abundance Summary Data by Taxon by Station

Trawl abundance data by taxon and station are presented as one record for each taxon collected in each trawl conducted at a station. The taxon information and codes for measurement types are resolved in Appendix D.

Data Set Name: TRWLTSUM      Trawl Taxon summary      Variables:      12

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	11	\$11.	Station identifier
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group collecting data
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year during which data were collected
5	<b>TSN</b>	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
6	<b>T_ABN</b>	Num	8	5.	Total taxon abundance in 'n' trawls
7	<b>M_LEN</b>	Num	8	5.2	Mean length of taxon in 'n' trawls
8	<b>SDLEN</b>	Num	8	5.2	SD length of taxon in 'n' trawls
9	<b>LEN_UNIT</b>	Char	3	\$3.	Length unit (mm, cm)
10	<b>MEASTYPE</b>	Char	3	\$3.	Code for measurement type
11	<b>BIOMASS</b>	Num	8	5.1	Biomass weight
12	<b>BIOMUNIT</b>	Char	3	\$3.	Biomass weight unit

Sortedby:    STATION VST\_DATE TSN

Trawl Abundance Summary Data by Station

Trawl abundance data by station are presented as one record for all trawls conducted at a station.

Data Set Name: TRWL\_SUM      Trawl Summary data by station      Variables:      11

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station name
2	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Sample collection date
3	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group collecting data
4	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year during which data were collected
5	<b>COL_TYPE</b>	Char	5	\$5.	Type of collection - trawl or seine
6	<b>TOT_TRWL</b>	Num	3	2.	Number of trawls/seines conducted
7	<b>F_TOTAL</b>	Num	8	5.	Total organisms (#) trawl
8	<b>FSPECCNT</b>	Num	8	5.	Total taxa (#) in trawl
9	<b>FSPMABN</b>	Num	8	5.1	Mean # organisms in 'n' trawls at a station
10	<b>F_MTOT</b>	Num	8	5.1	Mean taxa (species) in 'n' trawls at a station
11	<b>GEARTYPE</b>	Char	250	\$250.	Type of gear used

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## Tissues Chemistry Concentrations

### Tissue Analyte Measurements

Results of tissue (fish, shrimp, crab) chemical analyses should be reported as one record for each analyte measured in a sample (multiple records per sample). Either a concentration or detection limit should appear in a record. It is important to include all relevant fields that identify a unique sample, such as: sample number, composite, sample type, tissue type, TSN.

Data Set Name: TISUCHEM      Tissue Chemistry Analyses      Variables: 19

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	<b>DATA_GRP</b>	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
2	<b>SAMPYEAR</b>	Num	4	4.	Year sampling was conducted
3	<b>STATION</b>	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
4	<b>VST_DATE</b>	Num	8	DATE8.	Date samples were collected
5	<b>SAMP_NUM</b>	Num	8	3.	Sample number assigned to distinguish samples of the same species at a station
6	<b>COMPOSIT</b>	Char	1	\$1.	Composite code (Y/N). Is this sample a composite?
7	<b>SAMPTYPE</b>	Char	10	\$10.	Nature of sample material (fish, shrimp, crab)
8	<b>TISUTYPE</b>	Char	10	\$10.	Type of tissue sampled (carcass, muscle)
9	<b>TSN</b>	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
10	<b>ANALYTE</b>	Char	8	\$8.	Analyte code
11	<b>CONC</b>	Num	8	13.6	Concentration of analyte in sample
12	<b>UNITS</b>	Char	15	\$15.	Concentration units
13	<b>MDL</b>	Num	8	13.6	Method detection limit for analyte
14	<b>TOT_ANAL</b>	Num	3	3.	Number of analytes in total measure
15	<b>NUM_CMPT</b>	Num	3	3.	Number of organisms/composite
16	<b>FSPEC_MM</b>	Num	8	6.1	Mean length (mm) of organisms in sample
17	<b>FSPEC_SD</b>	Num	8	6.1	SD of length (mm) of organisms in sample
18	<b>WETWTCV</b>	Num	8	5.3	Wet weight conversion factor
19	<b>QACODE</b>	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code(s)

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## Fish Pathology

Pathology data from organisms collected in trawls/seines may be presented as presence/absence or as counts. These data should be reported by Latin name at the station level.

Data Set Name: FISHPATH      Fish Pathology Observations      Variables: 11

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
1	DATA_GRP	Char	4	\$4.	Group conducting sampling
2	SAMPYEAR	Num	4	4.	Year sampling was conducted
3	STATION	Char	12	\$12.	Station identifier
4	VST_DATE	Num	8	DATE8.	Date samples were collected
5	TSN	Char	8	8.	ITIS Taxonomic Serial Number for taxon
6	PATHPRES	Char	2	\$2.	Y/N - pathology present
7	TYPEPATH	Char	30	\$30.	Pathology description - ulcers, lumps, growths, finrot
8	PATH_CNT	Num	8	3.	Count (#) of pathologies present
9	PATH_LOC	Char	30	\$30.	Area on fish where pathology observed - eyes, mouth, gills, body
10	QACODE	Char	15	\$15.	Quality assurance code(s)

Sortedby: STATION VST\_DATE TSN TYPEPATH PATH\_LOC