

## HISTORY OF MARINE ANIMAL POPULATIONS [HMAP]

--one of the best-known and long-running efforts to use historical methods to expand the baselines in the natural sciences (*part of the still-larger CENSUS OF MARINE LIFE project*).

“Does History Count?” by Katharine Anderson, in *Endeavour* 30, 4 (Nov. 2006): 150-5. [Available online, but Elsevier server down in the moment. From her abstract:

The Census of Marine Life is an international and inter-disciplinary collaboration that seeks to map ocean life of the past, present and future. From the Arctic to the abyssal zones, it is producing a stream of newsworthy science, literally pushing the study of biodiversity to new depths. This fascinating and far-reaching endeavour offers a rich set of insights that can illuminate our changing ideas about the oceans. But one section of the Census deserves special attention – the History of Marine Animal Populations. It provides a unique focus for debates about collaboration and big science, about historical methods and about the study of current science by historians of science.

A brief video overview: <http://hmapcoml.org/about/>

When Humanities meet Ecology [HMAP International Summer School]:

[http://www.hmap-medbs-summer2009.org/doc/summer\\_school\\_description.pdf](http://www.hmap-medbs-summer2009.org/doc/summer_school_description.pdf)

“Future Protections of the Oceans Could Lie in the Past” [CNN story, June 2009]:

<http://www.cnn.com/2009/TECH/science/05/31/eco.historyoceans/index.html>

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Europe Moves Closer to Banning Bluefin-Tuna Trade  
HMAP research says collapse is imminent.

Time.com


Report from the HMAP Mediterranean and Black Sea Summer School.

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Is a global research initiative. We study the past ocean life and human interaction with the sea. About 100 researchers have joined forces to develop an interdisciplinary research program using historical and environmental archives. We analyze marine population data before and after human impacts on the ocean became significant. Our goal is to enhance knowledge and understanding of how the diversity, distribution and abundance of marine life in the worlds oceans changes over the long term.


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## History of Marine Animal Populations (HMAP)

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