

Figure 1 North Sea pipelines. (a) Solid black lines represent the top ten pipelines targeted by trips that actively fish along pipelines. Solid grey lines are pipelines with no active fishing associated with them (b) Hotspots of fishing activity. Black sections of pipeline have 50 - 110 VMS points per km from 'actively fishing' trips, mid-grey have 10 - 50 per km and light grey have 0- 10 per km