7.8 Consumption (Ecopath parameterization)

Ecopath's estimates of consumption (food intake) can be obtained by selecting Consumption under the Parameterization node in the Navigator window.

The consumption of a living group is the product of its biomass (B) times its consumption/biomass ratio (Q/B). The food intake is a rate expressed, e.g., as t/km²/year. The consumption table also displays all flows to the detritus group(s).