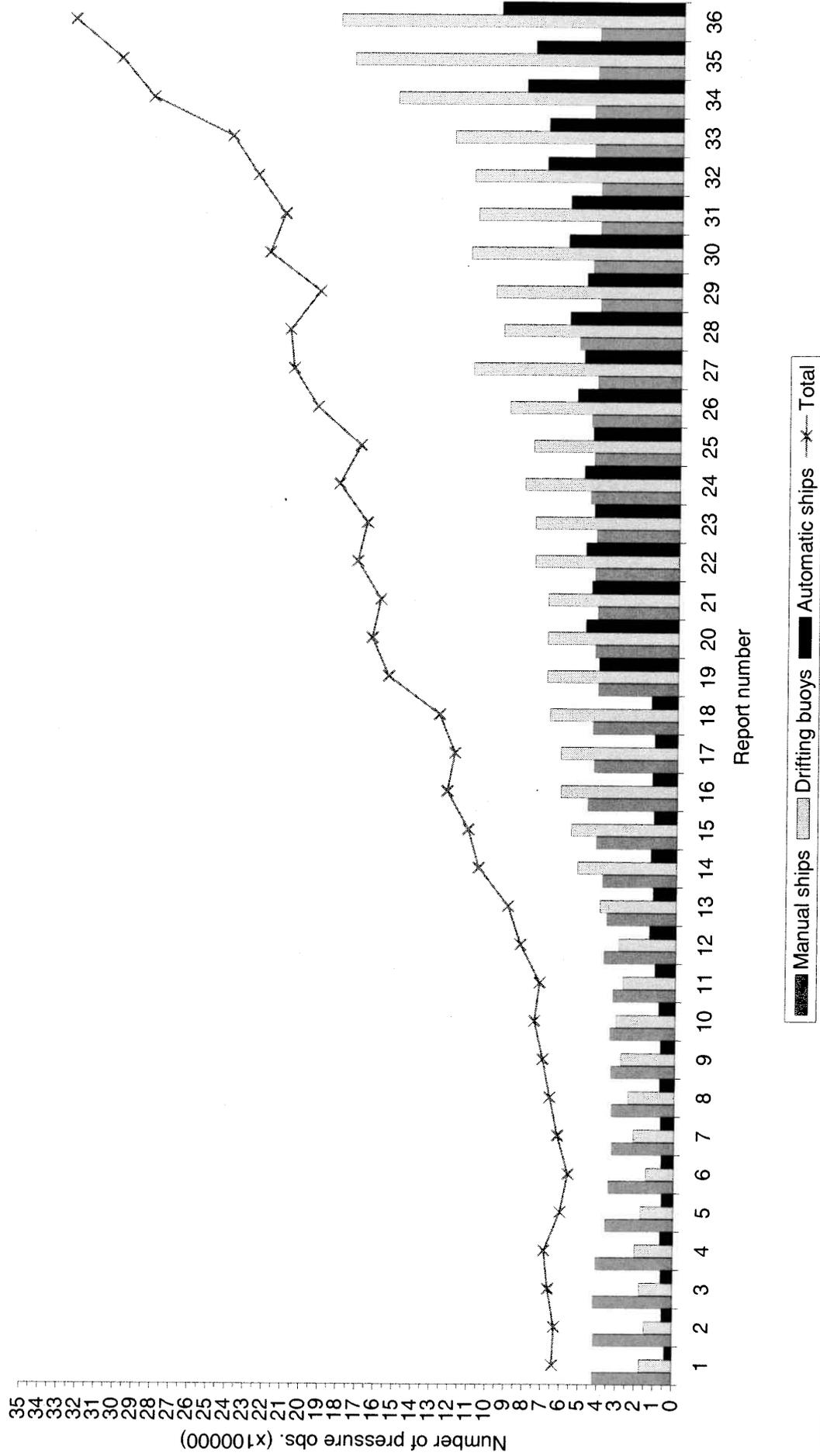
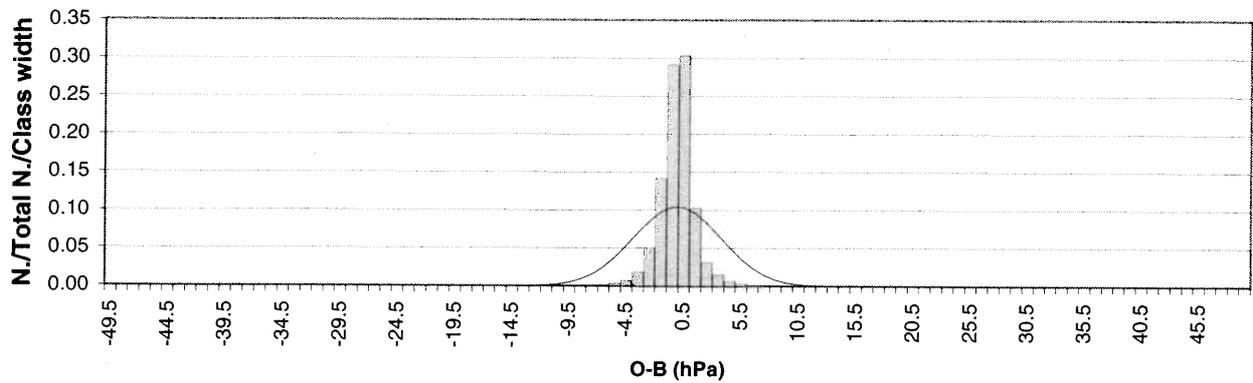


**Figure 1: Number of observations of pressure received at Exeter on the GTS for each of the six-month periods covered by the WMO reports on the quality of marine surface observations**

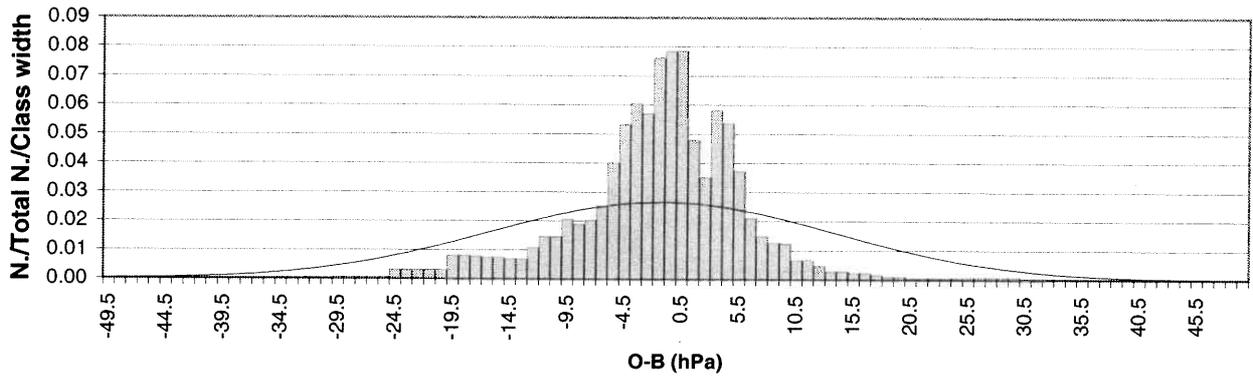


**Figure 2a: Distribution of ship O-B pressure (hPa)**  
Period of data: July-Dec 2006 Data used: All observations



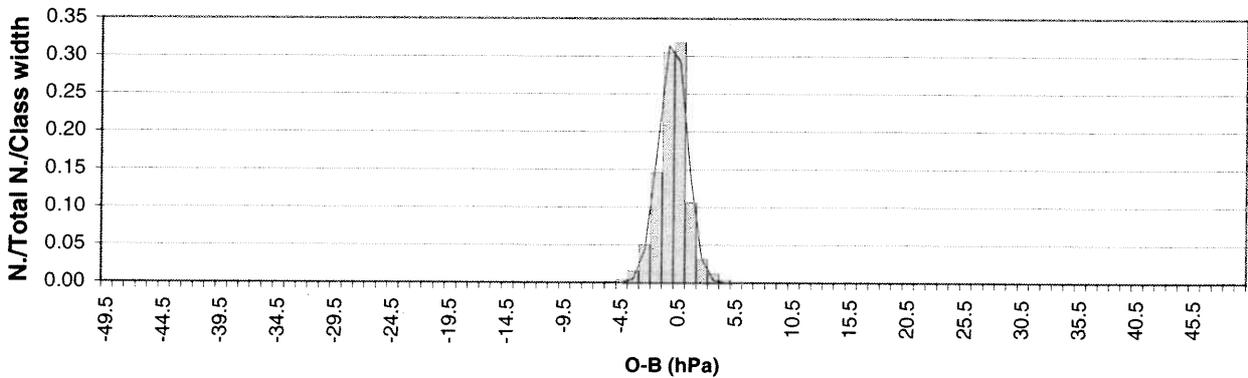
Mean O-B = -0.1 SD O-B = 3.8

**Figure 2b: Distribution of ship O-B pressure (hPa)**  
Period of data: July-Dec 2006 Data used: Flagged observations



Mean O-B = -1.3 SD O-B = 15.0

**Figure 2c: Distribution of ship O-B pressure (hPa)**  
Period of data: July-Dec 2006 Data used: Unflagged observations



Mean O-B = -0.1 SD O-B = 1.2

Figure 2d: Distribution of ship O-B wind speed ( $\text{ms}^{-1}$ )  
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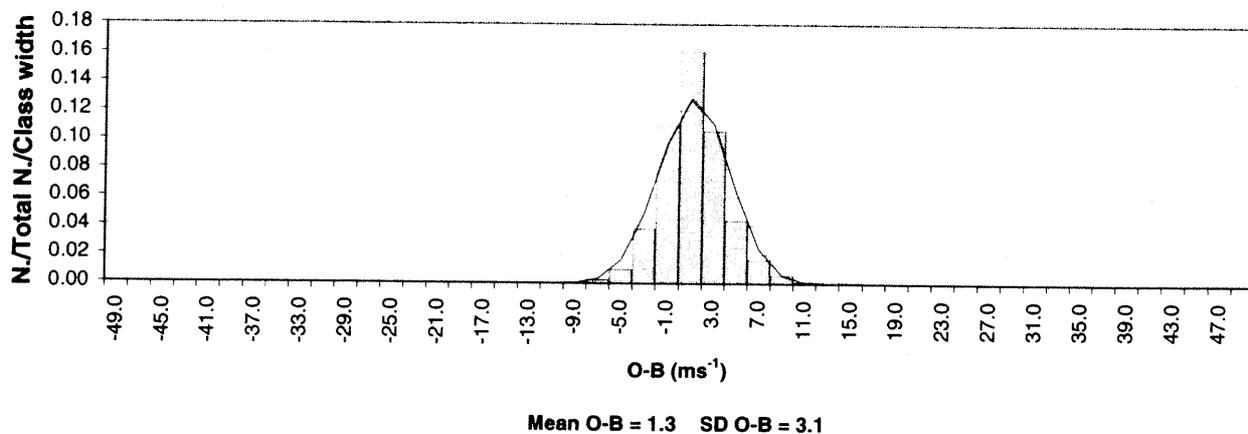


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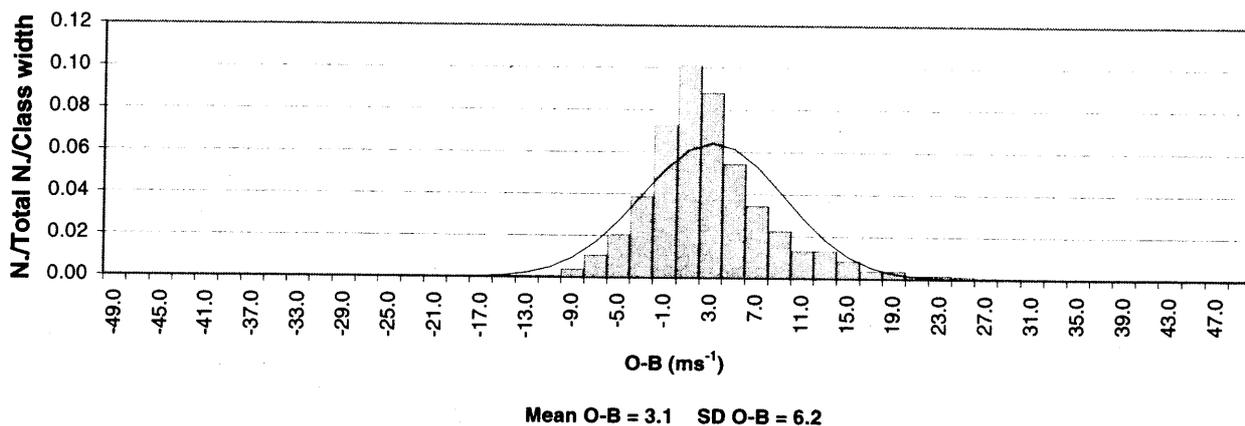
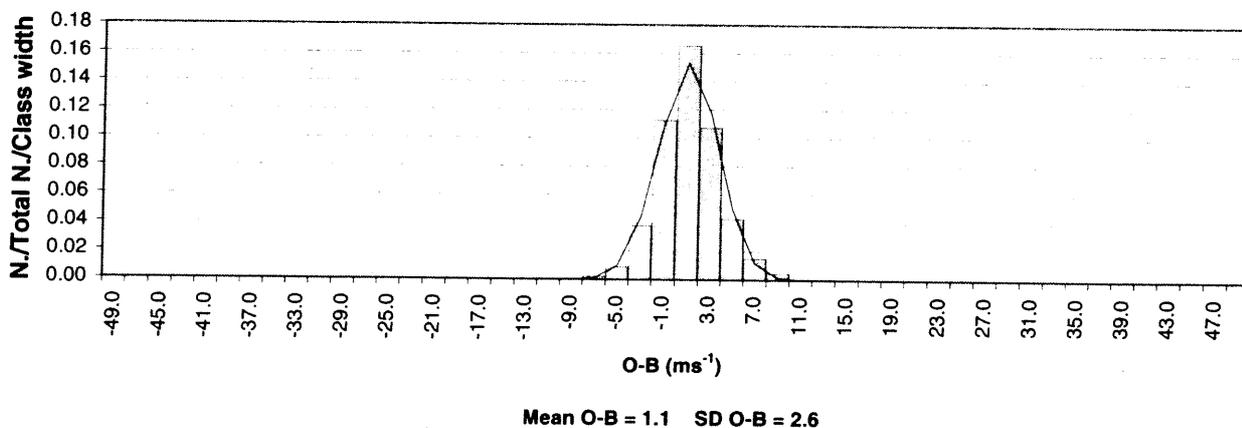
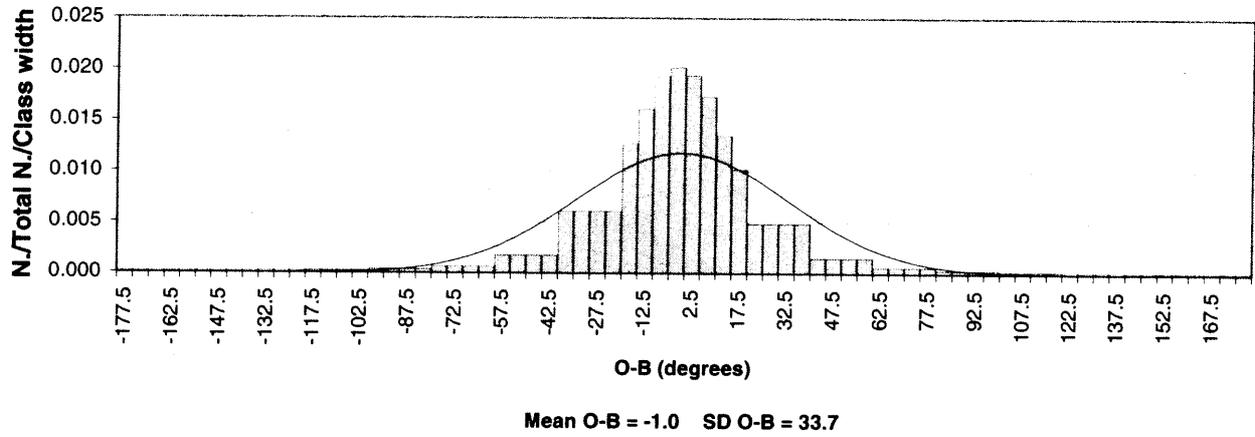


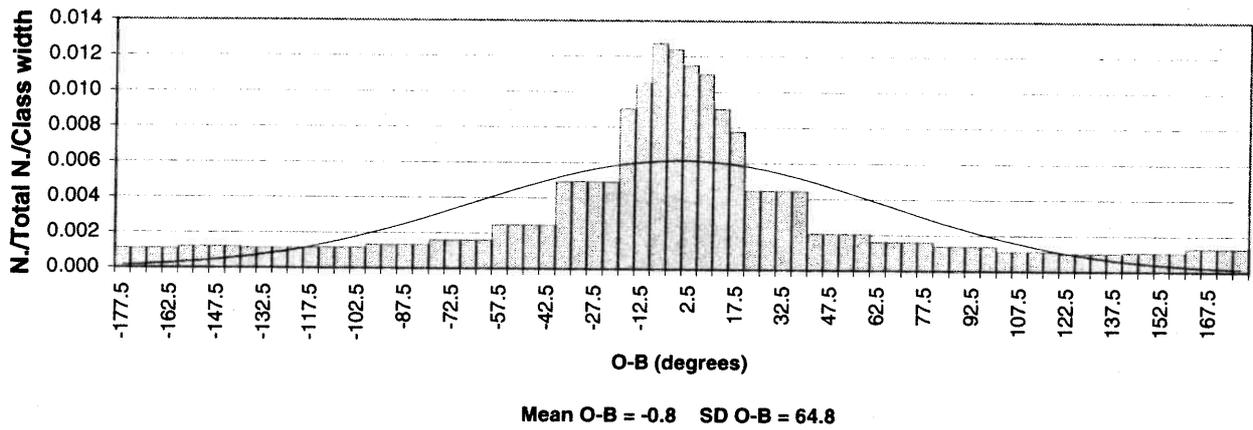
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Period of data: July-Dec 2006 Data used: Unflagged observations



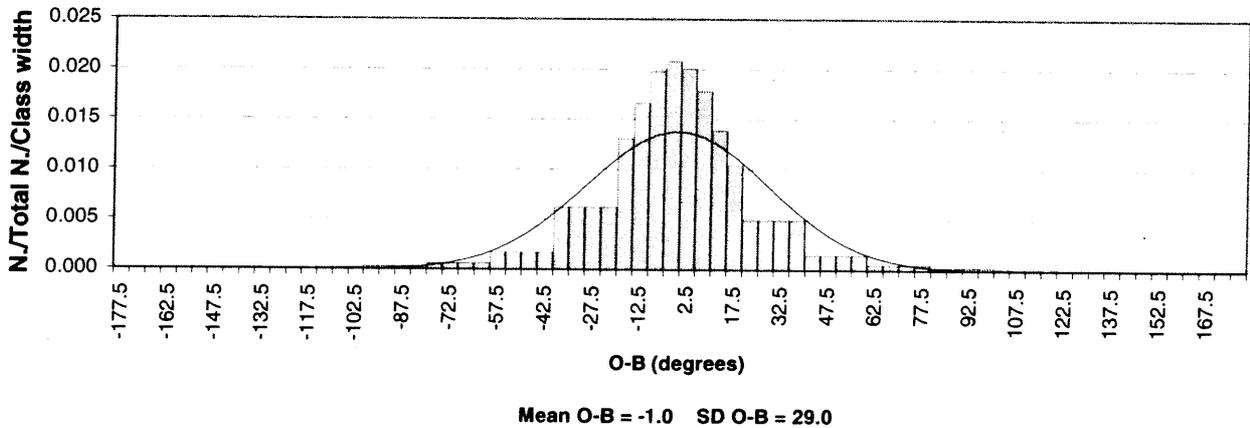
**Figure 2g: Distribution of ship O-B wind direction (degrees)**  
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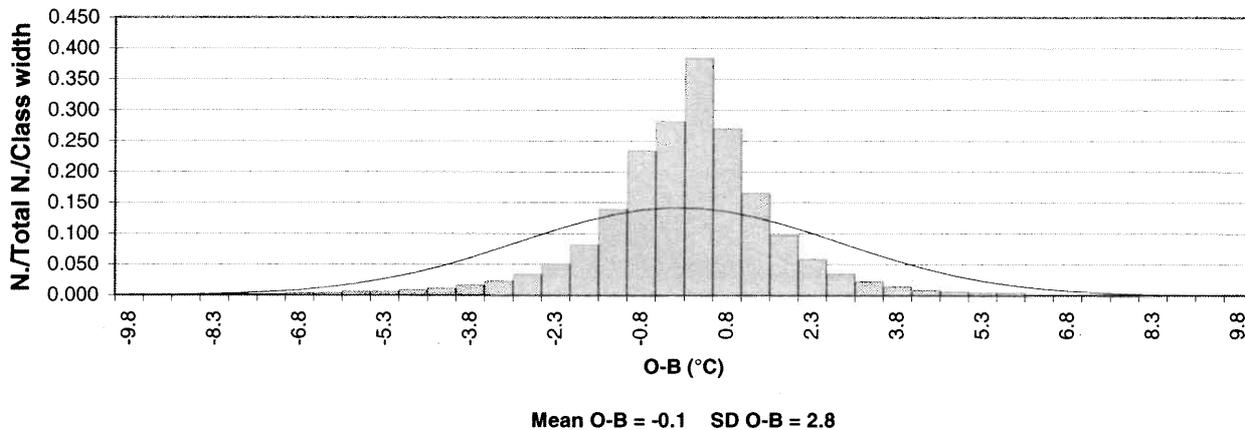
**Figure 2h: Distribution of ship O-B wind direction (degrees)**  
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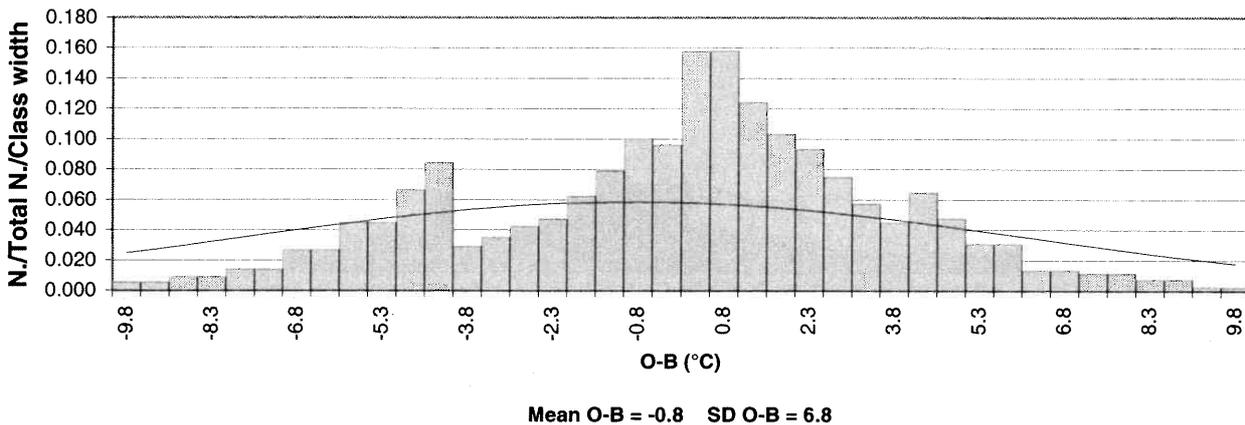
**Figure 2i: Distribution of ship O-B wind direction (degrees)**  
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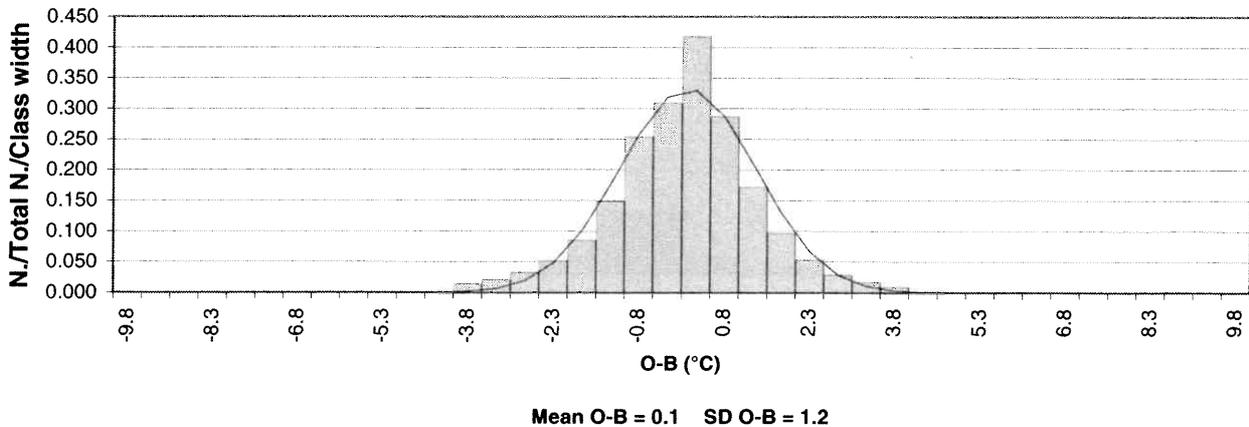
**Figure 2j: Distribution of ship O-B SST (°C)**  
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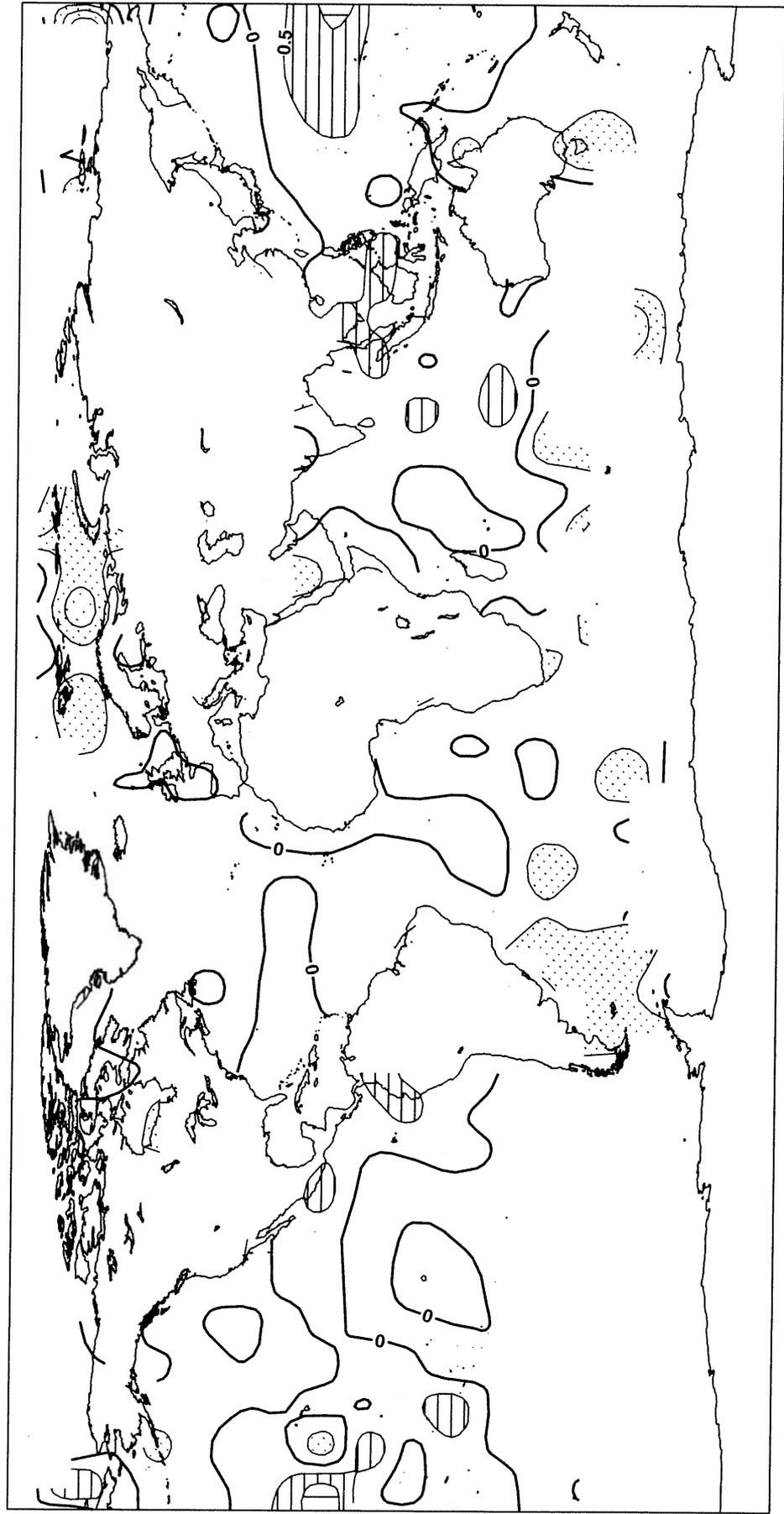
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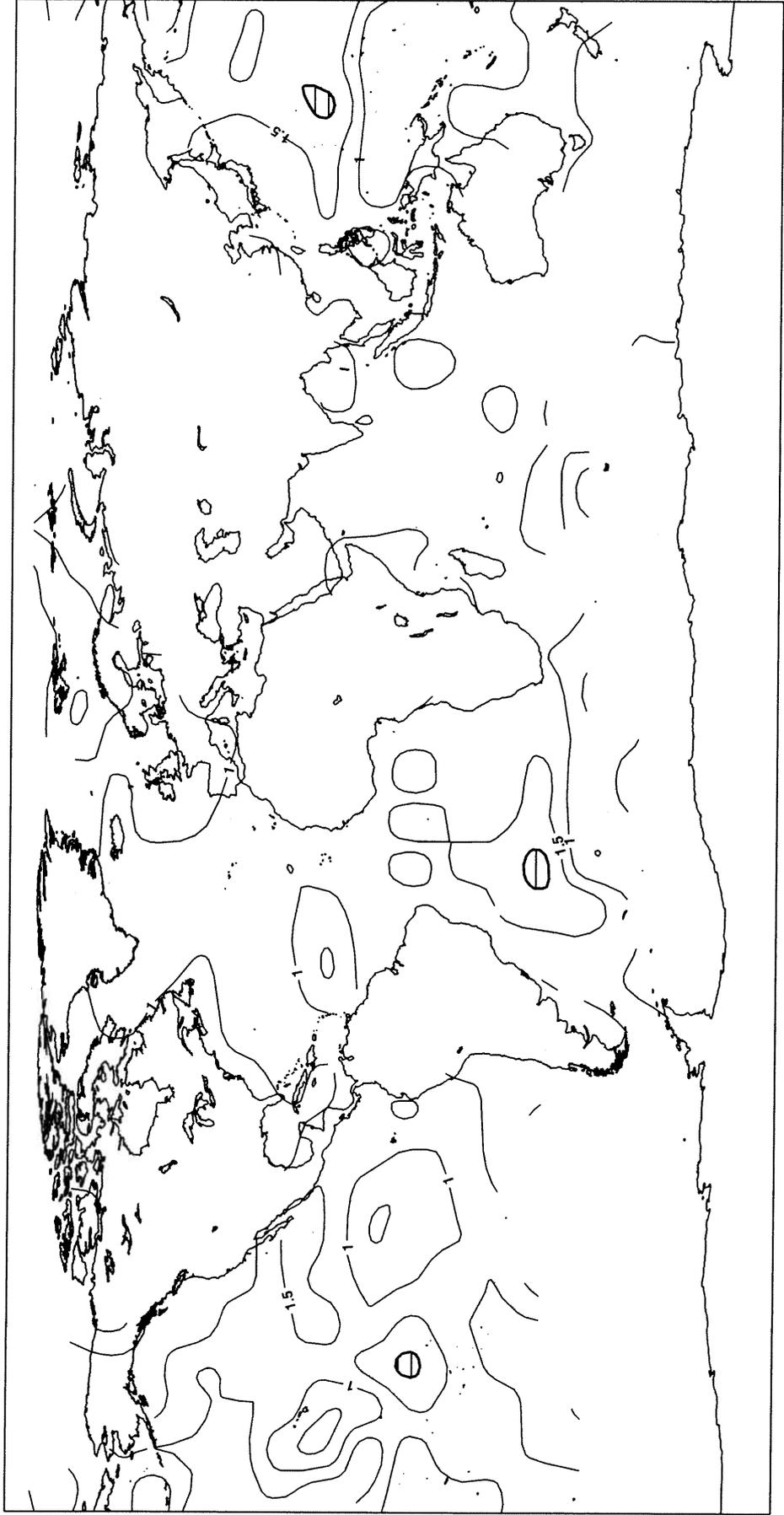
**Figure 2l: Distribution of ship O-B SST (°C)**  
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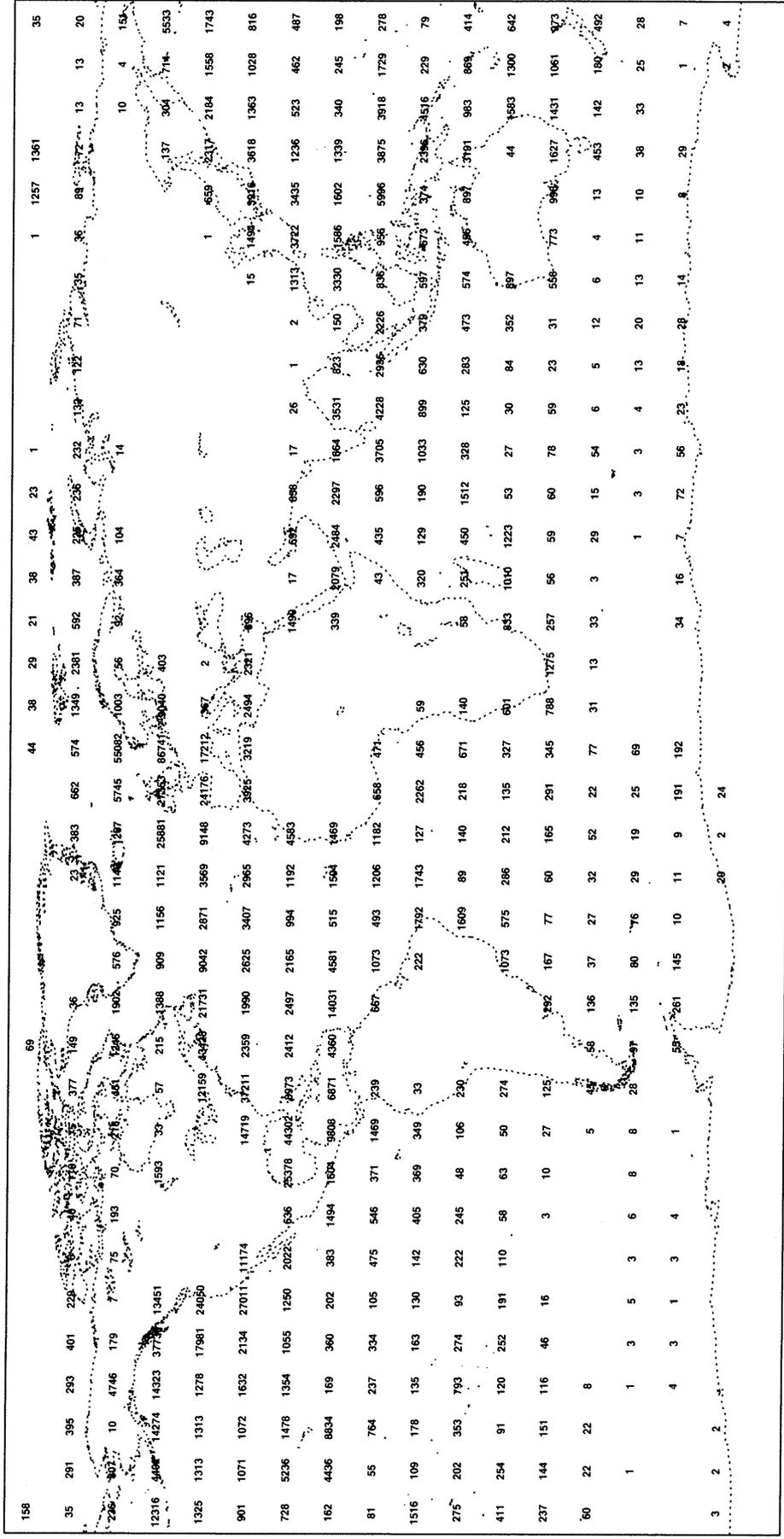
**Figure 3: Bias of Ship O-B Pressure (hPa). Date:- July - December 2006**  
Only observations passing quality control used in statistics  
Contours drawn to 10 degree boxes, if the number of observations is greater than 10  
Shaded areas have a bias of magnitude greater than 0.5 hPa



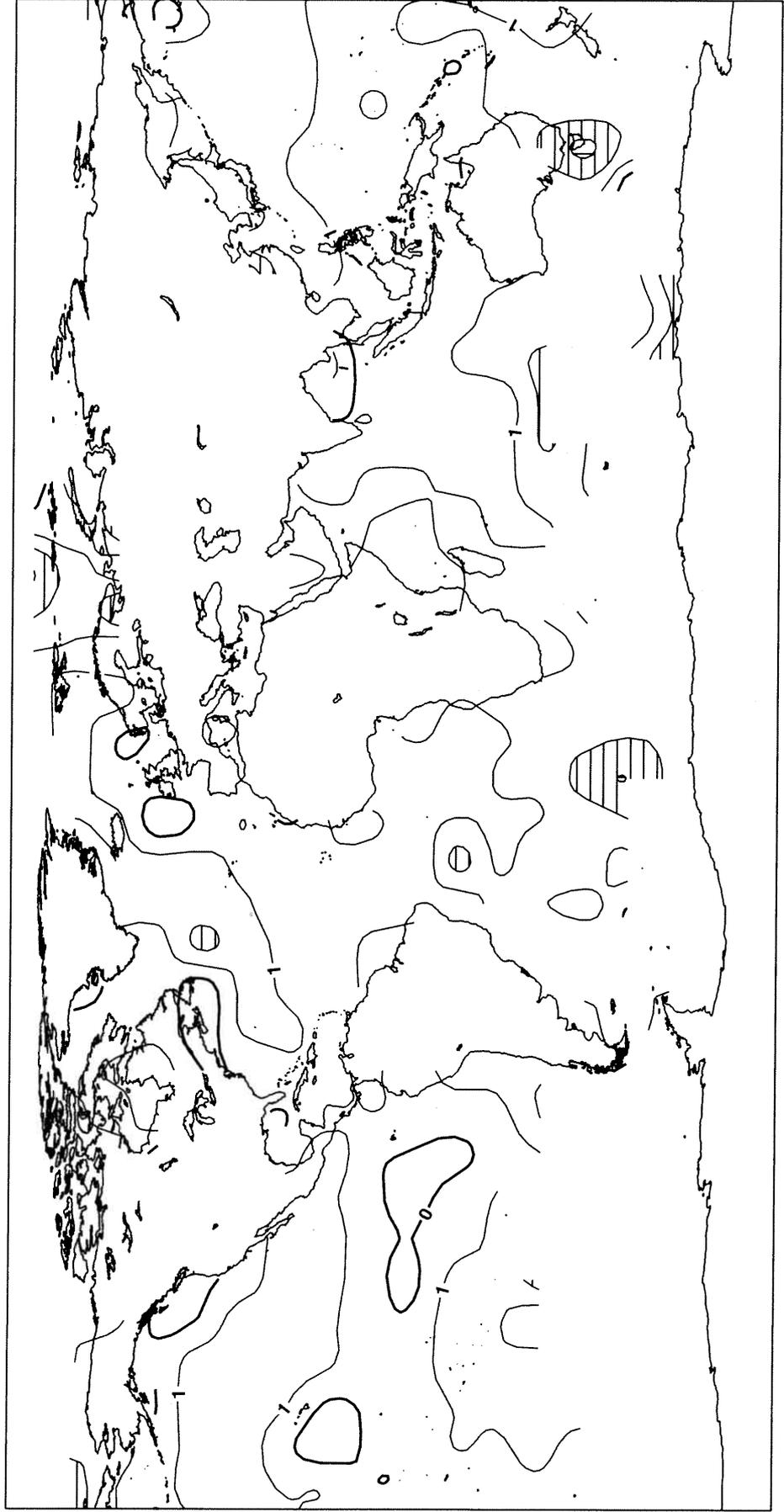
**Figure 4: Standard Deviation of Ship O-B Pressure (hPa). Date:- July - December 2006**  
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**Shaded areas have a standard deviation of greater than 2.0 hPa**



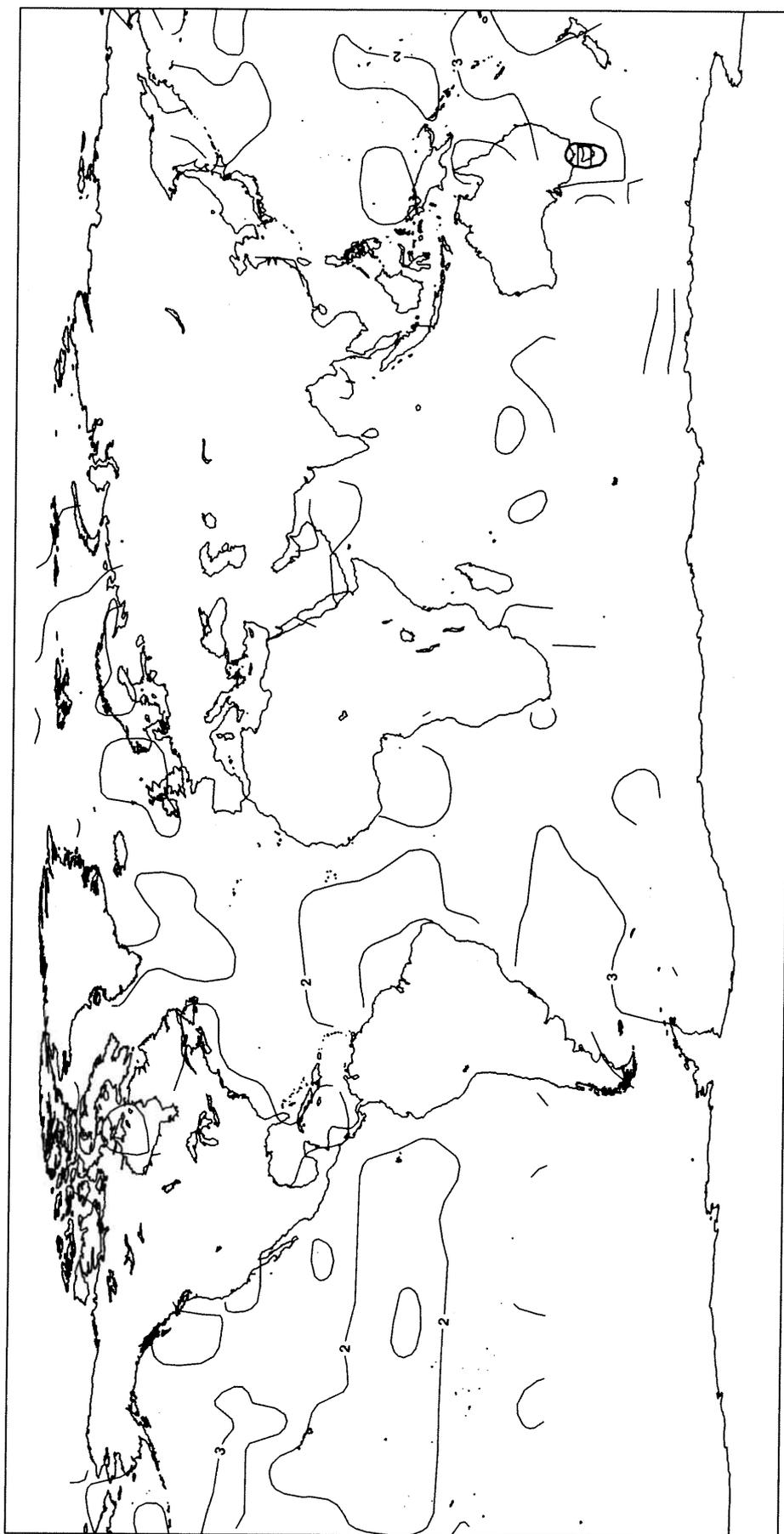
**Figure 5:**  
**Plot of the Number of Ship Pressure Observations. Date:- July - December 2006**  
**Only observations passing quality control included**



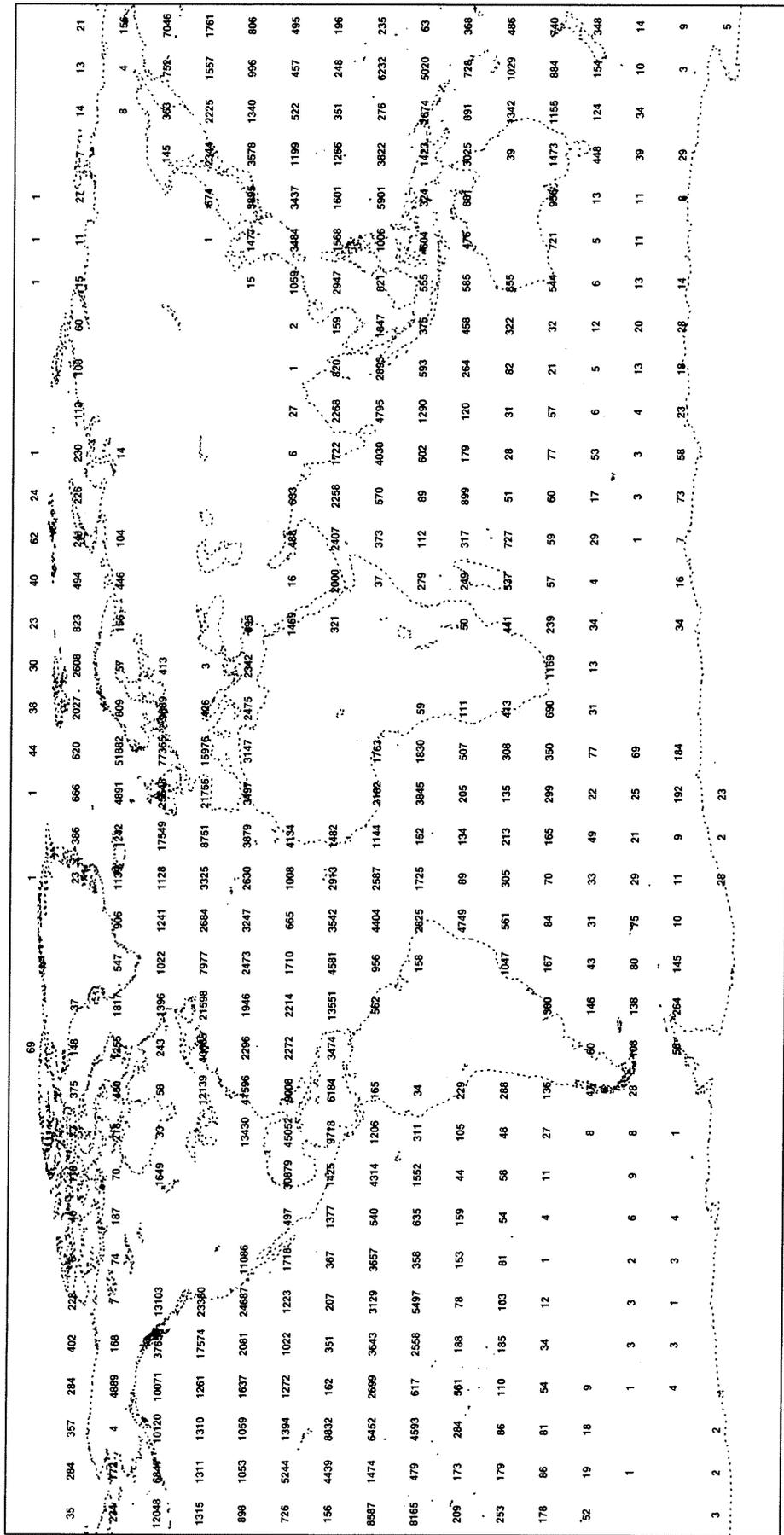
**Figure 6: Bias of Ship O-B Wind Speed (ms<sup>-1</sup>). Date:- July - December 2006  
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Contours drawn to 10 degree boxes, if the number of observations is greater than 10  
Shaded areas have a bias of magnitude greater than 2.0 ms<sup>-1</sup>**



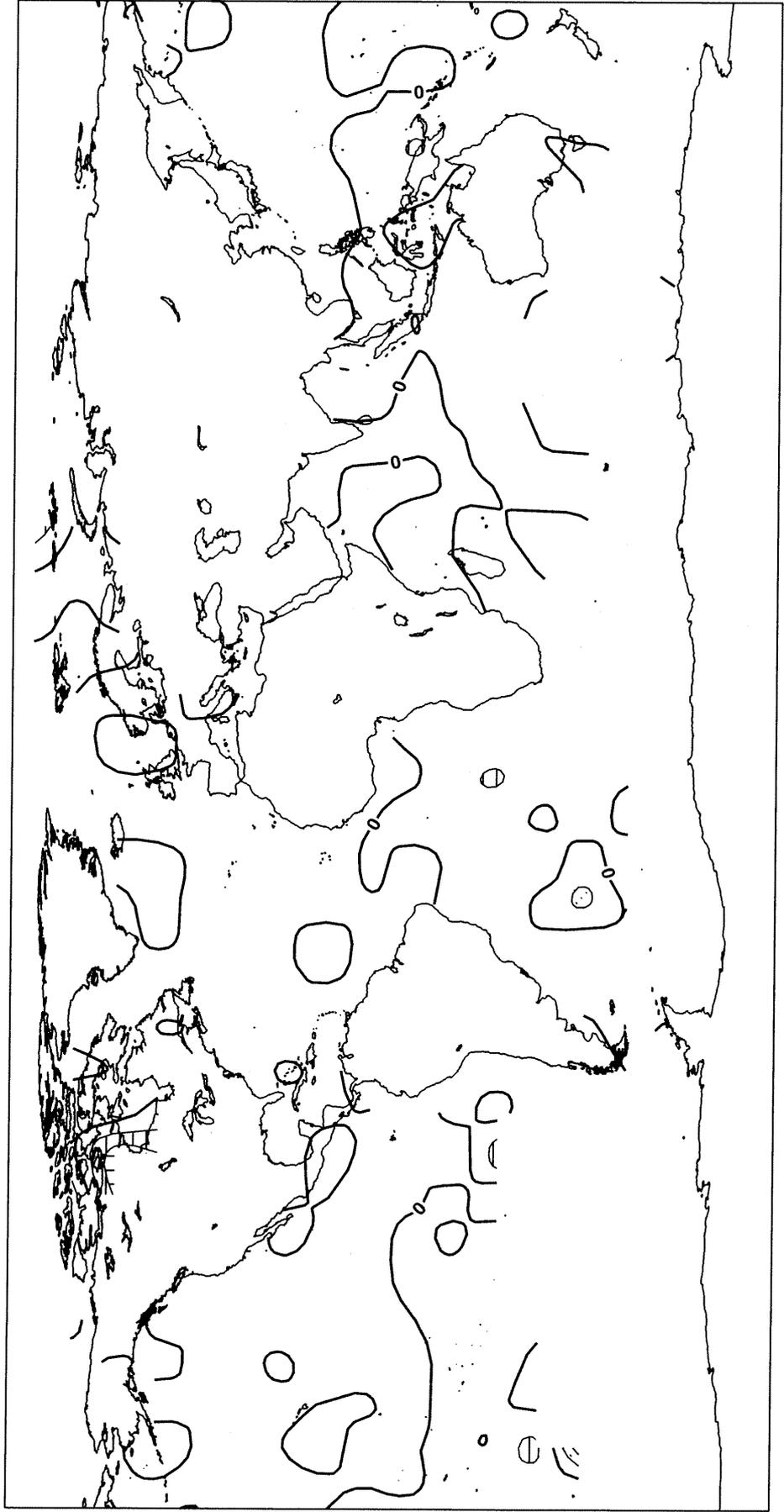
**Figure 7: Standard Deviation of Ship O-B Wind Speed (ms-1). Date:- July - December 2006**  
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**Shaded areas have a standard deviation of greater than 4.0 ms-1**



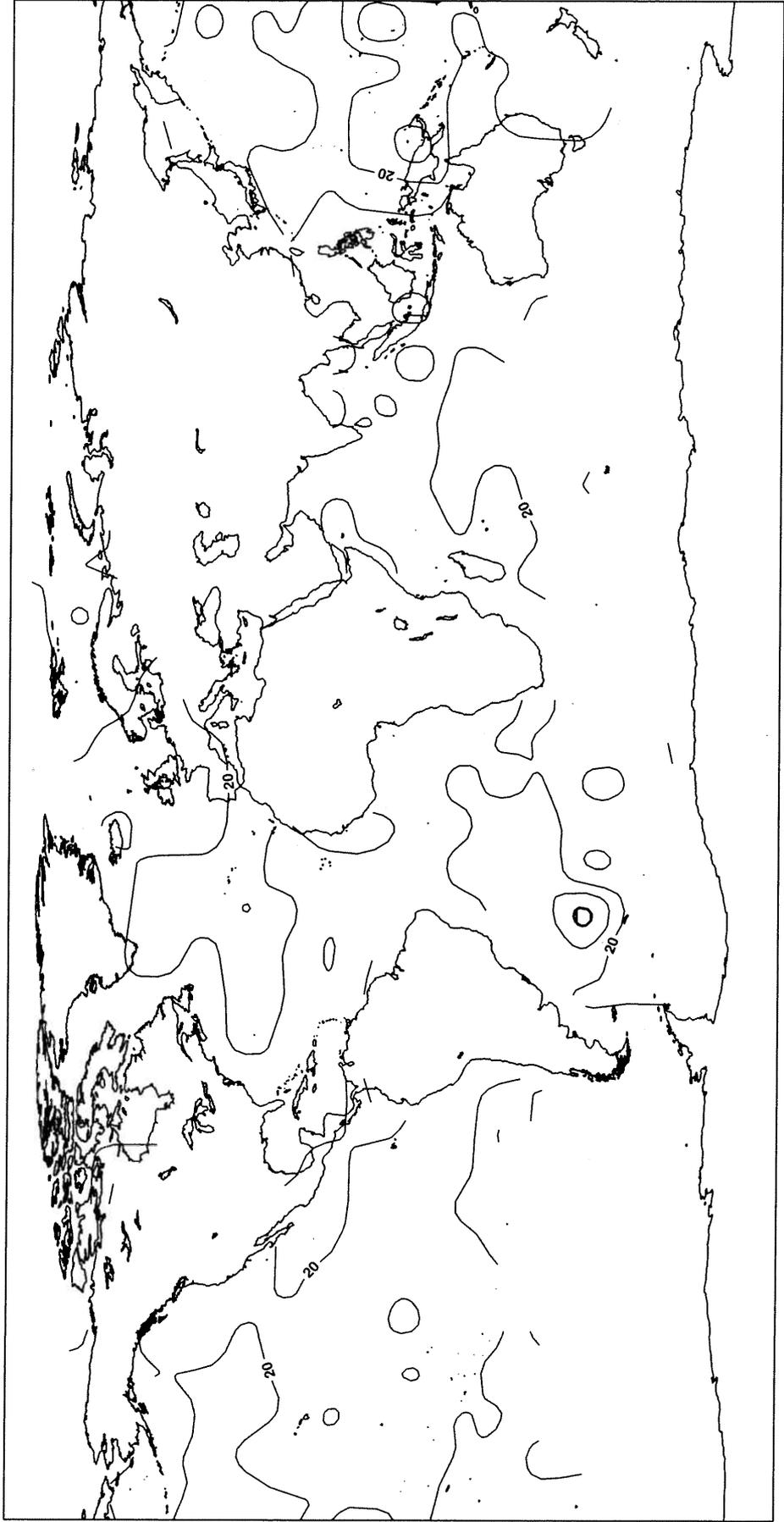
**Figure 8:**  
**Plot of the Number of Ship Wind Speed Observations. Date:- July - December 2006**  
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**Figure 9: Bias of Ship O-B Wind Direction (degrees). Date:- July - December 2006**  
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Contours drawn to 10 degree boxes, if the number of observations is greater than 10  
Shaded areas have a bias of magnitude greater than 10 degrees

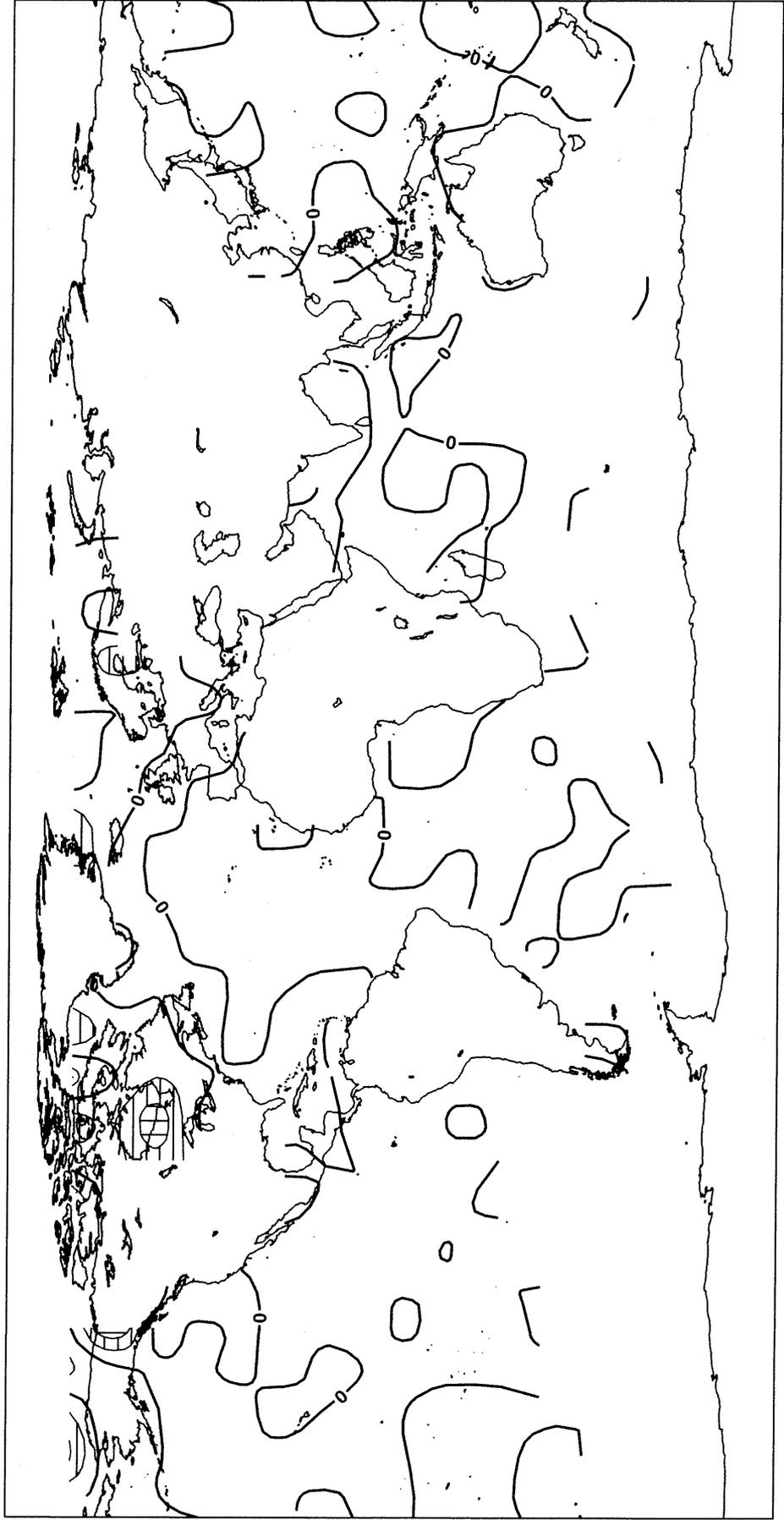


**Figure 10: Standard Deviation of Ship O-B Wind Direction (degrees). Date:- July - December 2006**  
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**Contours drawn to 10 degree boxes, if the number of observations is greater than 10**  
**Shaded areas have a standard deviation of greater than 40 degrees**

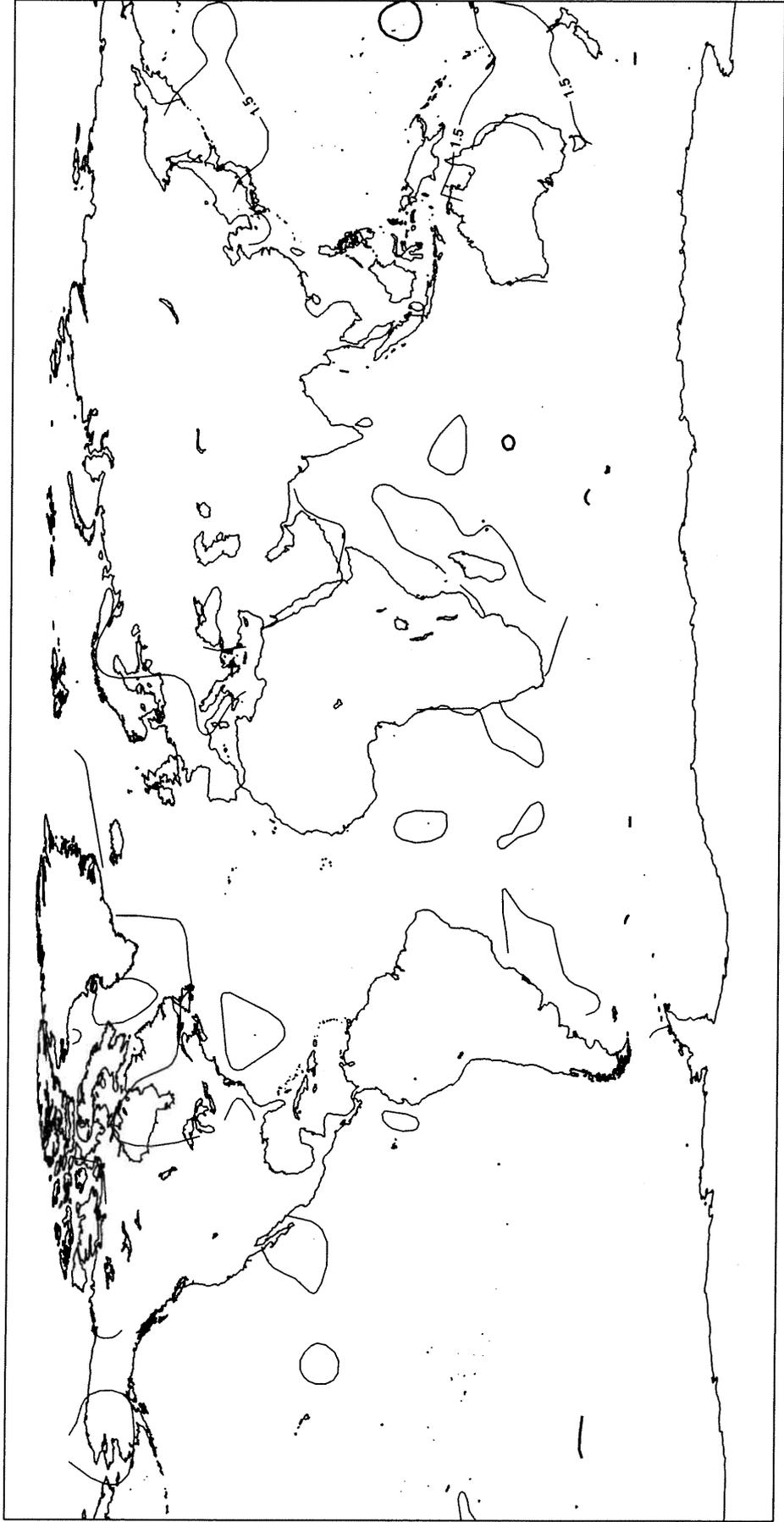




**Figure 12: Bias of Ship O-B SST (degrees C). Date:- July - December 2006**  
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Contours drawn to 10 degree boxes, if the number of observations is greater than 10  
Shaded areas have a bias of magnitude greater than 1.0 degree C



**Figure 13: Standard Deviation of Ship O-B SST (degrees C). Date:- July - December 2006**  
**Only Observations passing quality control used in statistics**  
**Contours drawn to 10 degree boxes, if the number of observations is greater than 10**  
**Shaded areas have a standard deviation of greater than 3.0 degrees C**



**Figure 14:**  
**Plot of the Number of Ship SST Observations. Date:- July - December 2006**  
**Only observations passing quality control included**

