

## LEGEND

Note: This legend is common to National Geochemical Reconnaissance Map 6-1976, Open File 409; Map 6-1976, Open File 410 and Map 7-1976, Open File 411

## QUATERNARY

8 Glacial, lacustrine, and fluvio-deltaic gravel, sand, silt and clay

7 Plateau basalts, olivine basalts

6 Volcanic flow rocks with interbedded sedimentary rocks; 6a, conglomerate,

5 CORYELL: alkalic plutonic rocks; porphyritic granite and rhyolite

JURASSIC - CRETACEOUS

4 NELSON and VALHALLA: granitic plutonic rocks

JURASSIC

3 Mafic and ultramafic intrusive rocks, pyroxenite, hornblende

PALEOZOIC (INCLUDING UPPER PROTEROZOIC AND TRIASSIC)

2 Basaltic and andesitic lavas, greenstone, tuff, quartzite, limestone

and argillite; 2a, quartzite, argillite, limestone, slate, schist,

phyllite, sandstone and conglomerate

PROTEROZOIC (SHUSWAP TERRANE)

1 Gneiss, minor schist, limestone, marble, dolomite, slate, phyllite;

1a, schist, quartzite, limestone, slate, argillite

Geological contact.....

Fault.....

Dyke.....

Mineral occurrence.....

Legend modified and geology compiled for the geochemical map by T.E. Kalnins from maps 1059A, by H.M.A. Rice 1945, 1946, and A.G. Jones 1947, 1951

Geological cartography by the Geological Survey of Canada

Base-map at the same scale published by the Mapping and Charting Establishment, M.C.E., 1966. Additional drainage obtained from Department of Lands, Forests and Water Resources, British Columbia Land Use maps, 1:125,000 scale

Mean magnetic declination 1977, 23°07.2' East decreasing 4.9' annually. Readings vary from 21°49.2' in the SE corner to 23°04.2' in the NW corner of the map area

Elevation in feet above mean sea-level

Geochemical Symbol and Data Presentation

The concentration of an element at a sample site is graphically represented as one of 15 symbols, if a sample was collected but there is no data available a dot is plotted. The symbols are symmetrically arranged so that they first increase in size from the eighth symbol to the scale and then increase in blackness to the fifteenth. The two small crosses below the scale are used to respectively denote concentrations below the analytical detection limit, or the data group containing the detection limit. The data are grouped on a semi-logarithmic scale 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024 etc. Five decades can be spanned and this arbitrary division has been adopted for the continuing Canada wide series of maps constituting the National Geochemical Reconnaissance.

The choice of symbols and the data groups they represent for any specific element is based on the histogram and cumulative frequency plot for the total survey data from one, or more, consecutive field sheets covered in one field season. The eighth symbol is used for the mode. As defined by the histogram, this group usually includes the median of the data as defined by the 0.5 (50%) point on the cumulative frequency plot. Some, or all, of the remaining 14 symbols are chosen so as to achieve an appropriate graphical impact. An example of all 15 symbols is given below.

The symbol maps, being based on the total survey data distributions, are unaffected by the availability of ever increasing levels of knowledge in bedrock and surficial geology, and other environmental factors. Therefore the raw data symbol maps are only intended to assist the rapid inspection of the data for major regional features. To fulfill the needs of a more specific and thorough interpretation of the symbol listing and further knowledge available, to assist in the appraisal and modification of the data in terms of the total bedrock geology, a table of summary statistics and proposed threshold values for each proposed lithologic unit, or broad lithologic unit, again based on the total survey data, is presented below as histogram. This table can be used along, or in conjunction, with the sample location map and data listings to indicate above threshold samples where they occur on the map. In many instances, the table will also illustrate, more clearly than the map, the dependence of mean geochemical levels on bedrock type. It may often be also observed that whilst the total data appears to give a normal distribution the data for individual map or lithologic units appears to give a non-normal distribution. The proposed thresholds presented are believed to be useful in interpreting data from a mineral exploration viewpoint. Locations of samples with concentrations in excess of the threshold for the rock unit they appear to derive from, should be studied carefully. The abnormal concentration can be due to a wide range of geological and environmental factors, but one of them could be the presence of abnormal concentrations of the element in a form of interest to mineral explorationist.

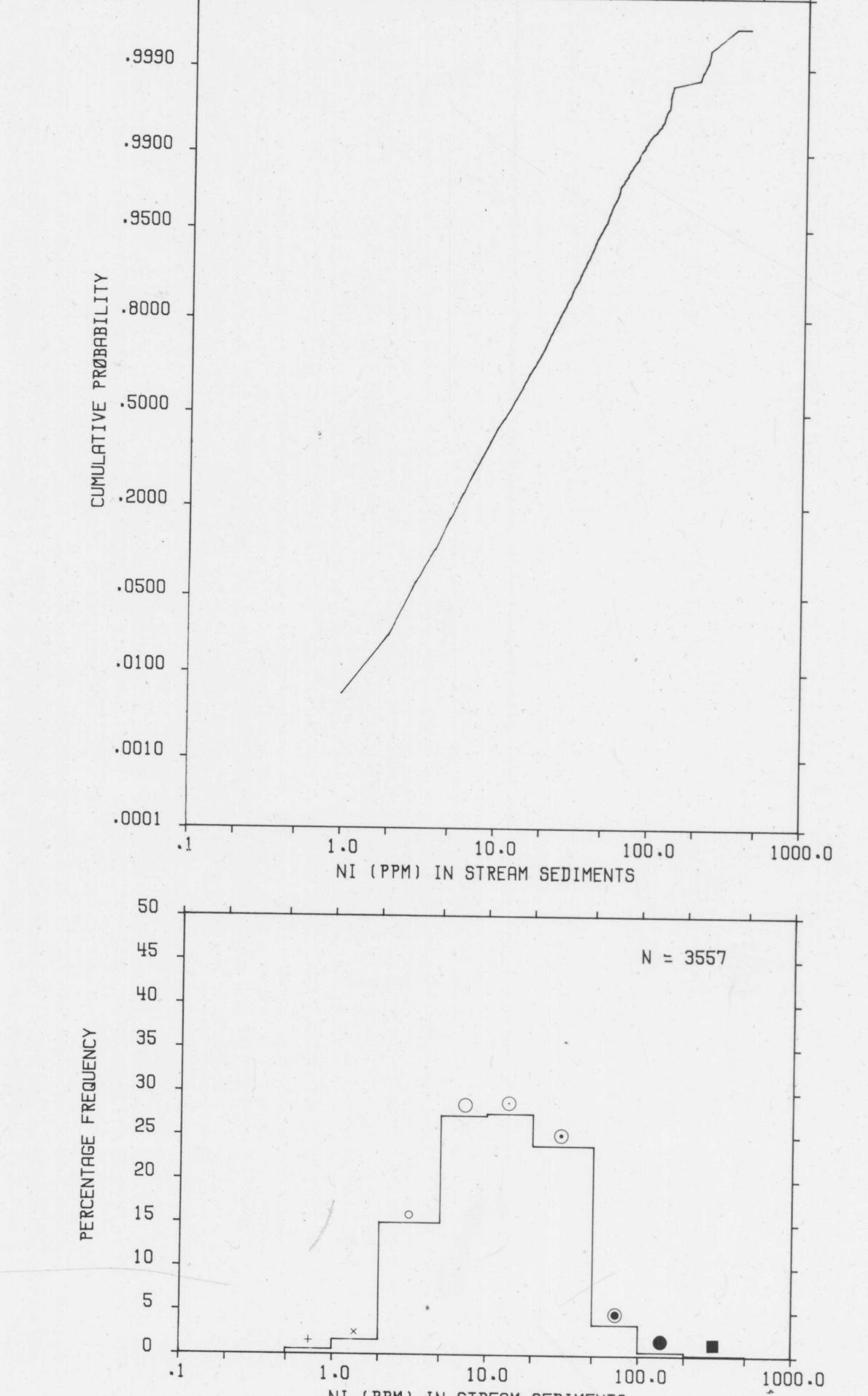
To comprehensively study an area, all available geological, environmental and recorded data should be utilized. The data separation by bedrock type can often be improved by constructing new data subsets and deriving local threshold levels based on the most detailed and up-to-date knowledge available.

The objective of the survey is to outline broad areas of increased mineral potential worthy of further study and to the identification of exploration targets. Individual samples with high metal content should not be automatically regarded as finite exploration targets. It is recommended that the data levels vary across the survey area with local geology and surficial environment.

The dispersion of elements in stream sediments is controlled by both mechanical and chemical processes. An insight into the relative importance of these processes can be gained from a study of local topography, bedrock and surficial geology particularly in terms of host minerals and the chemical properties of each element. The data observations on sediment composition and sample site environment recorded in the data listings can yield information on the relative importance of clastic versus chemical dispersion.

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Lithology	No. of Samples	Mean	S.D.	C.V.%	Threshold
8 TILL	405	17	15	87	60
7 OLVB	197	19	14	74	100
6a CGLM	23	11	10	90	100
6 ANDS	118	13	11	85	60
5 SYNT	146	19	39	204	80
3 GRANT	966	11	13	118	50
3 UMFC	3	56	49	97	60
2a QRTZ	50	28	12	44	50
2 GRNS	321	27	30	113	50
1a SCST	241	27	22	81	70
1 GNSS	1087	17	14	79	70

Data units are ppm

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This map forms one of a series of 39 sheets released under Geological Survey of Canada, Open Files 409, 410, 411. The Open Files consists of data for 10 elements each for stream sediments, two elements for stream waters and sample site location. The data listing of each Open File includes pH data.

The data are also available in digital form. For further information please contact:

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SOUTH EASTERN BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1976  
NICKEL IN STREAM SEDIMENTS

