

Mexico Yucatan octopus - drift rod and line

Overview

FIP Description

Target Species (1) Red Octopus (*Octopus maya*), in Spanish Pulpo maya o rojo and (2) Common Octopus (*O. vulgaris*), in Spanish Pulpo patón o común. Geographical Area - Province of Yucatan

Method of Capture : Red Octopus: Fishing drifting rod with lines containing bait, no hook, this method is known locally as gareteo, Common Octopus: Also employs a fishing rod with lines and bait, in this fishery a hook is used at the line and in Yucatan peninsula the pole and line fishing gear is also used.

Stock(s) - The Red Octopus is an endemic species from Mexico and is a member of the family Octopodidae. Its known distribution is from the waters adjacent to Isla del Carmen in Campeche to Isla Mujeres in Quintana Roo. One single stock is exploited based on genetic studies. The Common Octopus has a wide distribution in tropical and subtropical regions in the world. In particular, in Mexico, it is distributed throughout the Gulf of Mexico, it is found from the coastline up to 400 m deep, but it is more abundant below 100 m and its abundance decreases as depth increases. It is exploited in the Yucatan Peninsula and Veracruz. No genetic studies are available that could be used to establish a stock structure.

Fleet(s) Red Octopus: Small-scale and medium-scale fleets with octopus permits fishing and landing in the State of Yucatan, Mexico. Common Octopus: medium-scale fleets with octopus permits fishing and landing in the State of Yucatan, Mexico.

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:



Actions Progress This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.

0%

Actions Overview This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	100%	0%	0%

Red Indicator Progress This shows the proportion of actions specifically addressing red indicators that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started. This helps users understand the progress the FIP is making on the biggest challenges in the fishery.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	100%	0%	0%

FIP Progress Rating

A - Advanced Progress

FIP Objective(s)

Enter MSC full assessment in 2023.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

FIP Stage

Stage 5: Improvements on the Water

Start and Projected End Dates

January, 2019 -
December, 2023

Species

Common Name

Red Octopus

Scientific Name

Octopus maya

Common Name

Common Octopus

Scientific Name

Octopus vulgaris

Gear Type

[Handline](#)

[Jig](#)

Location**FAO Major Fishing Area**

[Area 31 \(Atlantic, Western Central\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones**Country**

Mexico

Geographic Scope

Yucatan

Country Flag of Vessel

Mexico

Estimated Total FIP Landings

3353 metric tons

FIP Leads**Organization Name**

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Organization Type

NGO

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