

Pacific Ocean tuna - longline (StarKist)

Overview

FIP Description

The fishery being assessed is the StarKist Pacific Ocean longline tuna fishery. The fishery targets albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) and catches bigeye (*T. obesus*), skipjack (*Katsuwonus pelamis*) and yellowfin (*T. albacares*). The pelagic longline vessels are flagged to Taiwan, China, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Vanuatu, Cook Islands, Fiji, American Samoa, French Polynesia, New Caledonia and Panama and fish on the high seas (and occasionally in the national Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZs)) in the Pacific. The fishery is managed regionally by the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPO) and by the Inter American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) in the Eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO).

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:



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



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

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
42%	0%	58%	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
100%	0%	0%	0%

FIP Progress Rating

A - Advanced Progress

FIP Objective(s)

Sustainable Fish Stocks – To ensure tuna and other primary species catches across the Pacific Ocean do not exceed sustainable levels by 2025.

Minimising Environmental Impacts – To promote the ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management by 2025.

Effective Management – To strengthen governance systems in Flag States, RFMO and the fishery by 2025.

Be in a place to enter MSC full assessment in 2025.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

FIP Stage

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

Start and Projected End Dates

March, 2020 -

March, 2025

Species

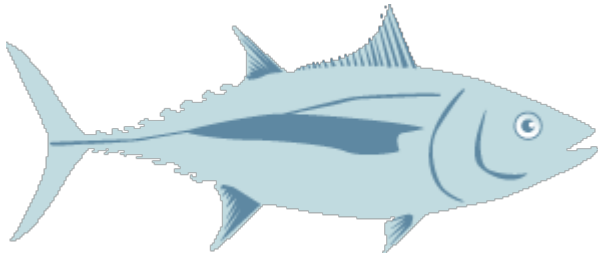
Common Name

Albacore Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus alalunga

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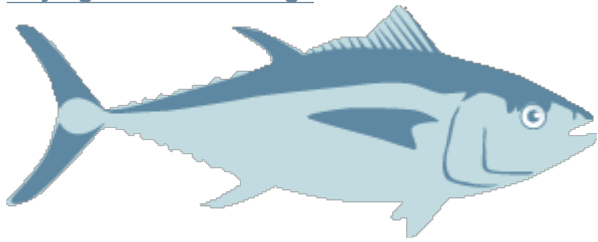
Common Name

Bigeye Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus obesus

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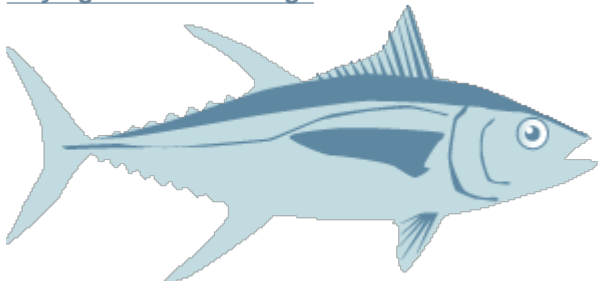
Common Name

Yellowfin Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus albacares

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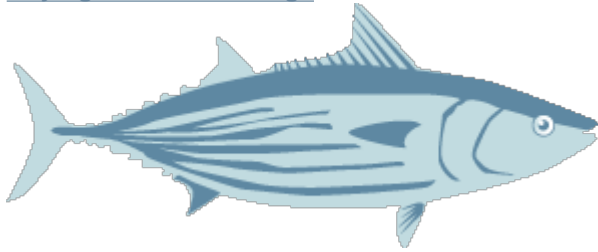
Common Name

Skipjack Tuna

Scientific Name

Katsuwonus pelamis

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Gear Type

[Longline](#)

Location

FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 61 \(Pacific, Northwest\)](#)

[Area 67 \(Pacific, Northeast\)](#)

[Area 71 \(Pacific, Western Central\)](#)

[Area 77 \(Pacific, Eastern Central\)](#)

[Area 81 \(Pacific, Southwest\)](#)

[Area 87 \(Pacific, Southeast\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Micronesia (Federated States of)

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country

Vanuatu

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country

Cook Islands (the)

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country

Fiji

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country

American Samoa

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country

French Polynesia

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country

New Caledonia

Geographic Scope

Within EEZ

Country Flag of Vessel

China

Country Flag of Vessel

Taiwan

Country Flag of Vessel

Micronesia (Federated States of)

Country Flag of Vessel

Vanuatu

Country Flag of Vessel

Cook Islands (the)

Country Flag of Vessel

Fiji

Country Flag of Vessel

American Samoa

Country Flag of Vessel

French Polynesia

Country Flag of Vessel

Panama

Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

WCPFC

IATTC

Estimated Total FIP Landings

16372 metric tons

FIP Leads

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