

Eastern Atlantic Ocean tuna - purse seine (ANABAC)

Overview

FIP Description

This FIP addresses all purse seine vessels that are part of ANABAC which target three tropical tuna stocks for the Eastern Atlantic Ocean [skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*), yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*) and bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*)] both on FADs and unassociated sets. This FIP aims to support improvement in the management of the Eastern Atlantic Ocean so that in the future, consumers can be assured that the purse-seine tuna they purchase has been harvested sustainably.

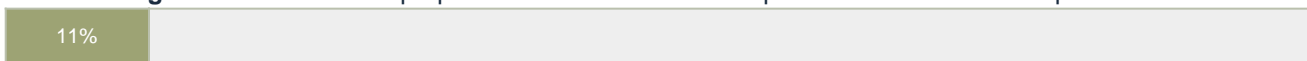
The ANABAC fleet associated with this FIP has made good progress in implementing its work plan and since the beginning of 2023 all fleet partners are MSC certified in yellowfin and skipjack tuna (<https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/anabac-atlantic-purse-seine-yello...@@view>). There is a need for ANABAC FIP to continue actions for bigeye tuna, which is subject to a multi-annual management, conservation and rebuilding programme by the RFMO. While several actions will be completed within the MSC certification for both yellowfin and skipjack MSC certified species, ANABAC FIP will now focus on bigeye tuna.

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.



0%

89%

11%

0%

FIP Progress Rating

A - Advanced Progress

FIP Objective(s)

- To form a collaboration between governments, industry, scientists and fleets to bring about improvements in the sustainability of the fishery by 2028.
- To address the shortfalls in the stock health, ecosystem health and management of the fishery by meeting actions described by the Improvement Performance Goals (IPGs) by 2028.
- To improve the ANABAC purse seine tuna fishery to a point at which it can achieve the MSC certification by the end of 2028.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

FIP Stage

Stage 3: FIP Implementation

Start and Projected End Dates

July, 2023 -

June, 2028

Species

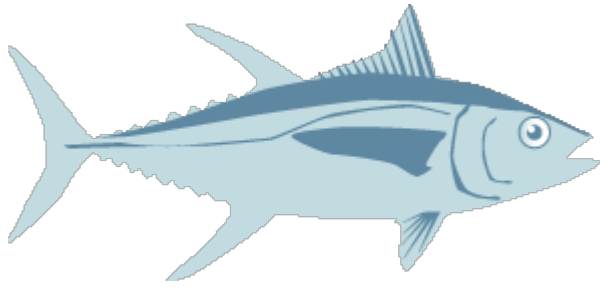
Common Name

Yellowfin Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus albacares

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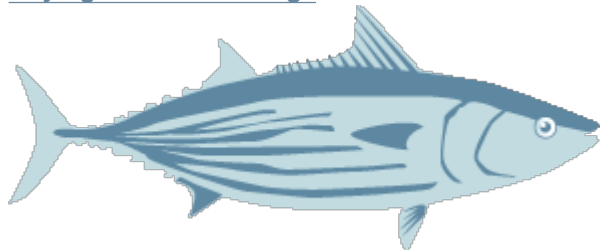
Common Name

Skipjack Tuna

Scientific Name

Katsuwonus pelamis

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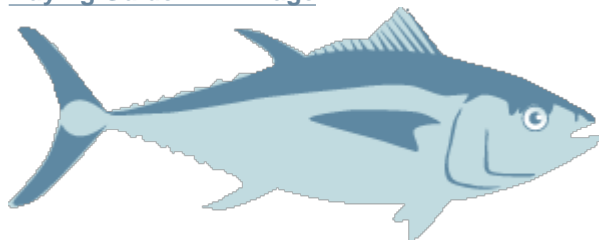
Common Name

Bigeye Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus obesus

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Gear Type

[Purse Seine](#)

Location

FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 34 \(Atlantic, Eastern Central\)](#)

[Area 47 \(Atlantic, Southeast\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Angola

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country

Cabo Verde

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country

Côte d'Ivoire

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country

Equatorial Guinea

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country

Gabon

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country

Guinea-Bissau

Geographic Scope

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Mauritania

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country

Sao Tome and Principe

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

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Senegal

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Sierra Leone

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Ghana

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Guinea

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Entire EEZ

Country Flag of Vessel

Spain

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Belize

Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

ICCAT

Estimated Total FIP Landings

36700 metric tons

FIP Leads**Organization Name**

ANABAC - Asociación Nacional de Armadores de Buques Atuneros Congeladores

Organization Type

Industry

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