

## Argentina hake - bottom trawl (chilling fleet)

### Overview

#### FIP Description

The Argentine hake (*Merluccius hubbsi*) - bottom trawl (chilling fleet) FIP has been launched in September 2023 by **Cámara Argentina de Armadores de Buques Fresqueros de Altura** (CAABPA) with the technical support of **CeDePesca**.

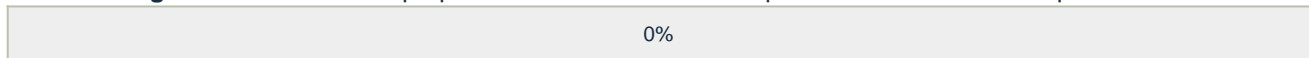
Argentine hake (*Merluccius hubbsi*) is a demersal-pelagic species that inhabits cold waters related to sub-antarctic currents. It is one of the leading fishing resources in the Argentine Sea. The Southern stock of the species is distributed between 41°S and 48°S. The industrial fishery is comprised of two main fleets: the freezing fleet and the chilling fleet. Both fleets use bottom trawls as fishing gear. The fishery is managed by the Fisheries Federal Council (Consejo Federal Pesquero) and the National Secretariat for Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería y Pesca de la Nación), while research and stock assessments are undertaken by the National Institute of Fisheries Research and Development (Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Desarrollo Pesquero).

### 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.



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**FIP Progress Rating**

C - Some Recent Progress

**FIP Objective(s)**

The ultimate objective of this FIP is to achieve the fishery’s certifiable status against the MSC standard by the end of August 2028. To this purpose, the FIP has set the following specific objectives:

1. Drive the adoption of an explicit catch control rule and the adoption of a limit reference point for the stock.
2. Compile information that allows the understanding of the impacts of the fishery on other components of the ecosystem.
3. Ensure that the fishery obtains explicit management objectives both in relation to the target species and other components of the ecosystem.
4. Promote a cooperation scheme for the management of the fishery that is being carried out in the waters adjacent to the Argentine EEZ.

**FIP Type**

Comprehensive

**FIP Stage**

Stage 3: FIP Implementation

**Start and Projected End Dates**

September, 2023 - August, 2028

**Species**

**Common Name**

Argentine Hake

**Scientific Name**

Merluccius hubbsi

**Gear Type**

Bottom Trawl

## Location

### FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 41 \(Atlantic, Southwest\)](#)

### Exclusive Economic Zones

#### Country

Argentina

#### Geographic Scope

Argentine waters south of 41°S

#### Country Flag of Vessel

Argentina

### Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

## Estimated Total FIP Landings

172000 metric tons

## FIP Leads

### Organization Name

CeDePesca

### Organization Type

NGO

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