



# TUNA CONSERVATION GROUP



Progress of the Good Practices onboard Code for  
Bycatch handling and release



Began to apply in October 2017

It is a guide to captains and crew



## TUNACONS GOOD PRACTICES CODE



In order to encourage good handling practices on board, and mitigate the mortality of species considered vulnerable that interact in purse seine tuna fishing.



It compiles the measures taken by the fleet voluntarily, which serves to improve the maneuvers of the tuna purse seiners and to minimize the impact on the marine ecosystem



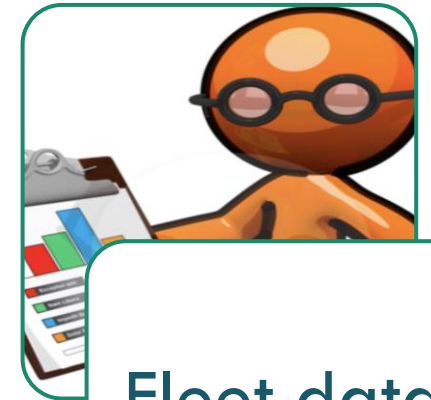
**TEMPLATE  
SCHEME  
WORK**

o de Cardumen			Ayuda Aérea	Tiem
D	P	FAD o ECO	Si/No	Inici

Template  
design



Tunacons  
workshops  
to train  
the crew



Fleet data  
collection



Provide the  
information to  
the  
Tunacons' office



Data entry into  
Tunacons Base



Results are  
shown to  
Tunacons  
members

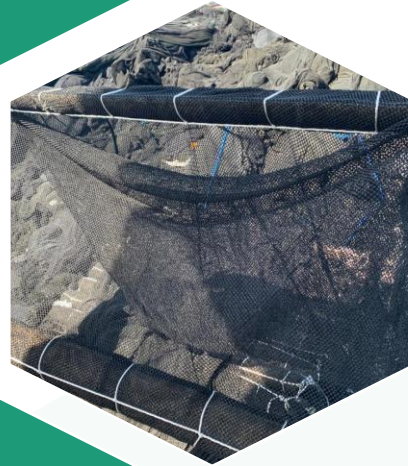
**Useful tool to  
take decisions  
if needed, and  
to inform the  
crew**

# DEGRADABLE NON ENTANGLING FADS IMPLEMENTATION

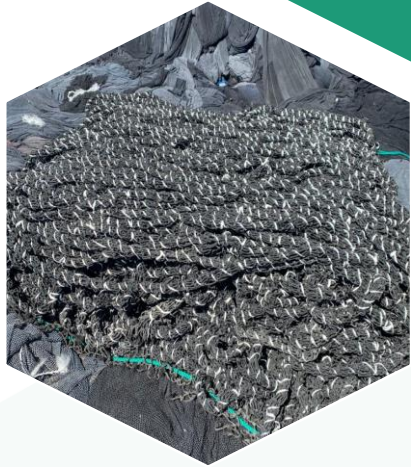


Floating structure: rectangular, covered with 1 1/8 " net

Net tale 1 1/8"



"chorizo" tale, 3 1/2"



In accordance with the 2 criteria established in resolution C-19-01

The 44 TUNACONS vessels before January 2019 use NON ENTANGLING FADs



In addition, efforts are made to determine a 100% degradable FAD of natural material of plant origin.



# DEGRADABLE NON ENTANGLING FADS IMPLEMENTATION

## NATURAL ORIGIN FAAD TESTING

FIBER	# FADs DEPLOYED	# SETS	CATCH (tons)	DETAILS
Yute	1	0	0	FIRST TEST
Cabuya	74	0	0	There were no sets. It degrades quickly after 30 days.
Abacá	424	27	677	22 releases under registration and 5 sets as external information.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>677</b>	Average of 25 tons. by lance

### Durabilidad de las fibras Probadas

- Yute : 30 días
- Cabuya : 40 días
- Abacá : 67 días



# DEGRADABLE NON ENTANGLING FADS IMPLEMENTATION



## PRUEBA FIBRA DE ABACÁ CON ACABADO GRASA ANIMAL

		PRUEBAS CON TEJIDO 1				
MÁXIMA FUERZA	TEJIDO CRUDO 1	27 DÍAS	47 DÍAS	65 DÍAS	82 DÍAS	89 DÍAS
RESISTENCIA URDIDO (N)	2105,58	1378,41	1125,5	1283,47	773,14	704,7
	100%	65%	53%	61%	37%	33%
RESISTENCIA TRAMA (N)	1811,45	1774,87	1853,1	1817,17	1638,85	330,07
OBSERVACIONES	Trama y urdido un solo hilo.					



- The resistance of the fiber before being at sea was 2105.6 N.
- After 89 days at sea, its resistance was 704.7 N.
- Loss of 67% resistance.



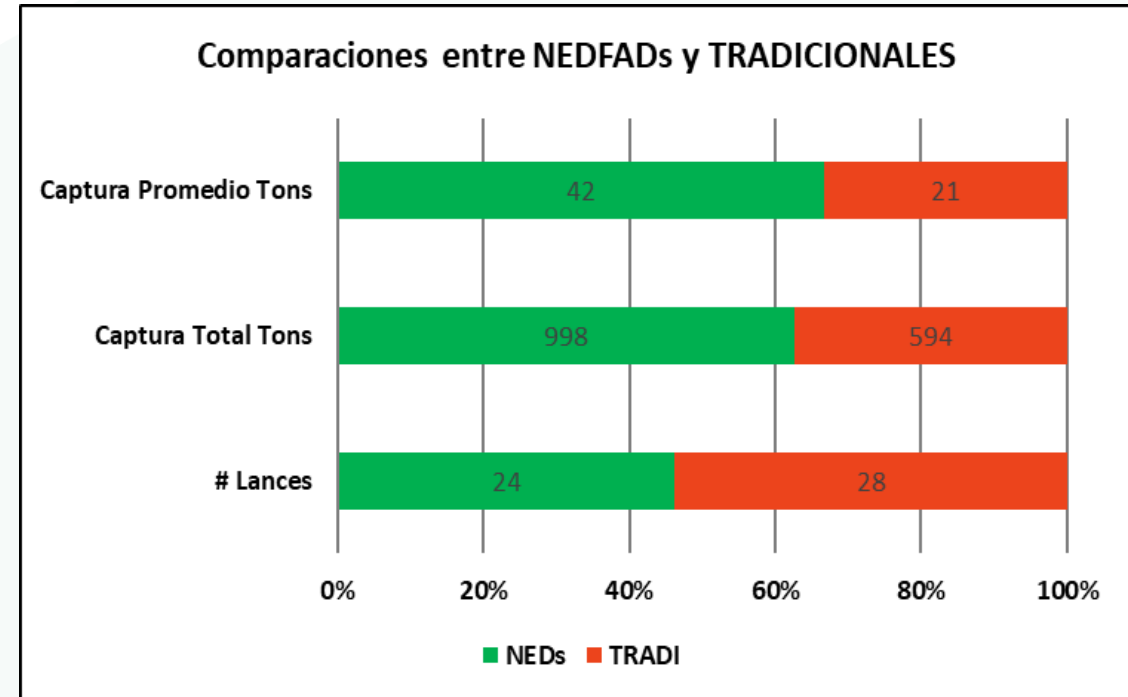
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## NEDFADs IATTC – TUNACONS PROJECT

SETS UNTIL 21-04-2020

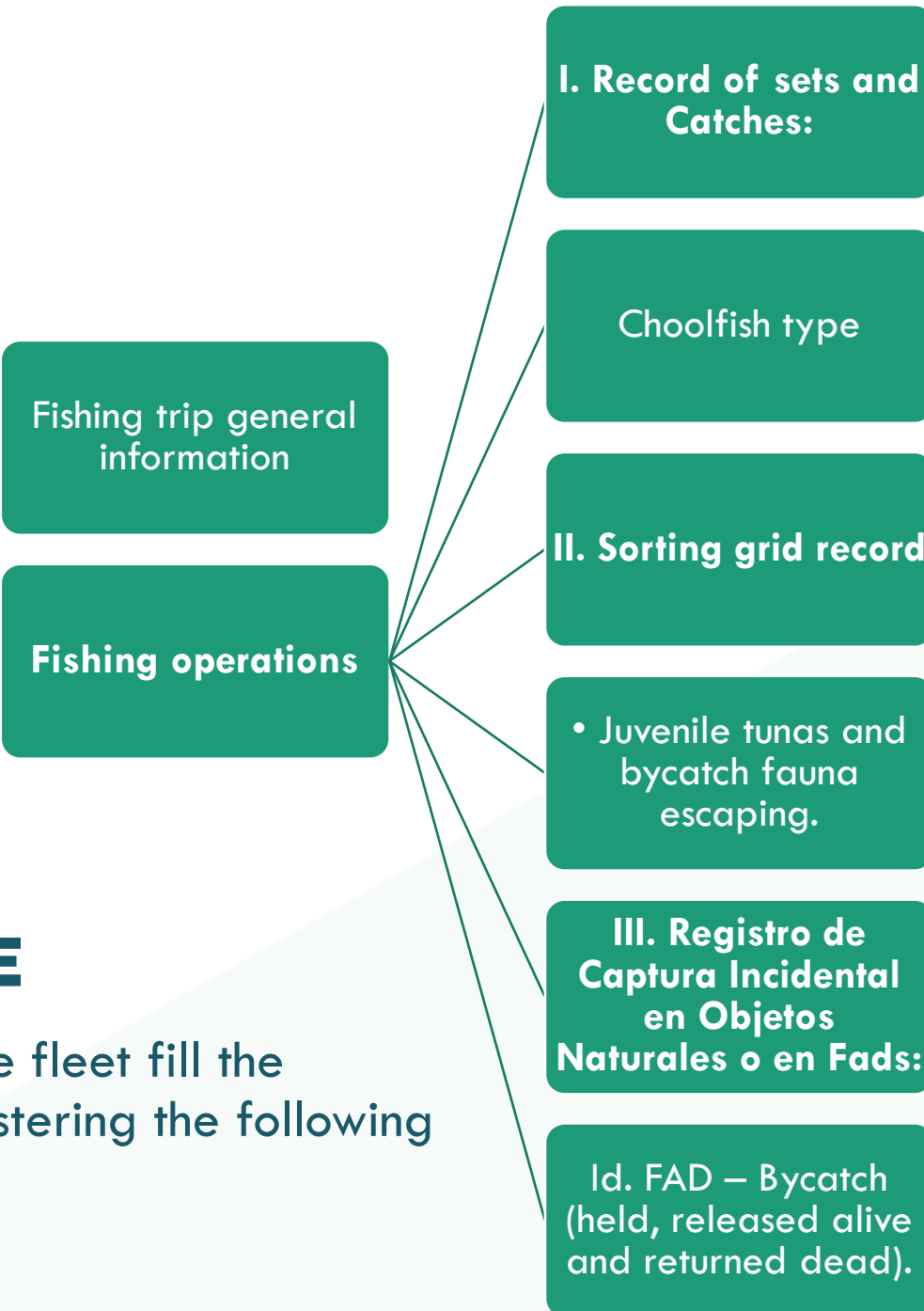


	# Lances	Captura Total Tons	Captura Promedio Tons
NEDs	24	998	42
TRADI	28	594	21



# DATA TEMPLATE

37 ships of the fleet fill the Template, registering the following information:



## Plan de Mejoramiento Pesquero Información General del Viaje de Pesca

B/P:	Dumme		N° Matricula:	P-00-0794	
Viaje de Pesca N°:	04	SALIDA		ENTRADA	
Días de Viaje:	45	Puerto:	Pesajon	Puerto:	Lozija
Rejilla excluidora:	Si	Fecha:	06 / 10 / 2019	Fecha:	20 / 11 / 2019
Cap. de Pesca:	Mario Komani		Responsable de los datos: Isaac Da Silva		

### Operaciones de Pesca

Fecha	N° Lance	Posición Geográfica	Tipo de Cardumen				Ayuda Aérea	Tiempo del Lance		* T Agua de mar	Capturas de Atún (Tons)						
			B	D	P	FAD		Si/No	Inicio		Termino	YFT	SKJ	BET	Otros	Bodegas	Descartes
02/11	15	Lat: 09° 16 S Long: 135° 08 W					X	Si	06:27	09:06	20.9	6	2	10	-	465	-

Observaciones:

### II. Registro de la Rejilla Excluidora

Modelo de Rejilla:	Anill	% su-mergido	70%	Otras especies que escaparon por la rejilla											
Atunes que escaparon por la rejilla (Toneladas)				Dorados (N° Individuos)			Wahoo (N° Individuos)			Otros (N° Individuos)					
Especies	Pequeño < 2,5 Kg	Mediano 2,5 - 15 Kg	Grande > 15 Kg	Total	Pequeño < 80 cm	Grande > 80 cm	Total	Pequeño < 12 lb	Grande > 12 lb	Total	Especie 1	Especie 2	Especie 3	Total	
SKJ															
YFT	9010			9010											
BET															

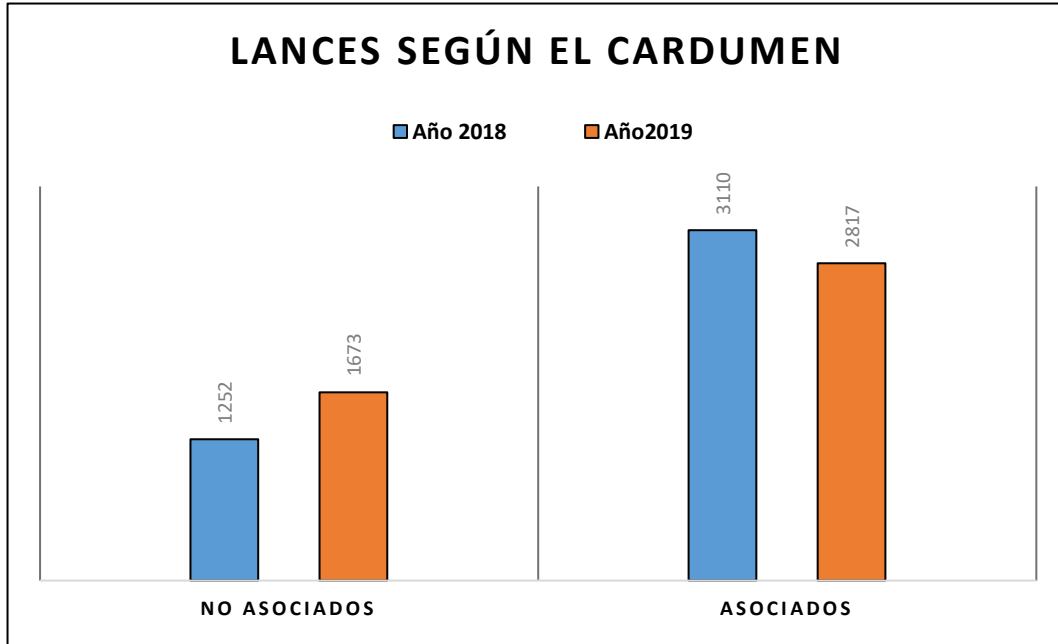
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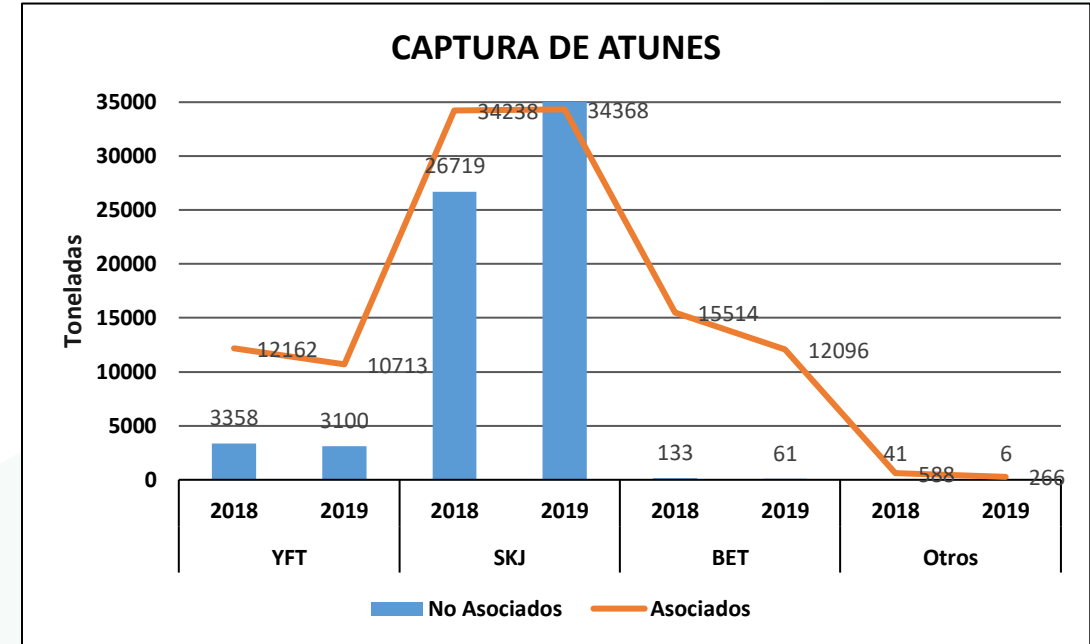
Id. Del FAD o del Obj. Nat.	Nombre de la Especie	# ejemplares retenidos		# ejemplares liberados vivos		# ejemplares regresados muertos		Observaciones
		Pequeño	Grande	Pequeño	Grande	Pequeño	Grande	
NUE+ 563162.	WAH	1	6					Se quedaron en las ganchas de fide pesc Se quedaron en las ganchas de fide pesc se libero con lunas puestas segun TO MACONS.
	DOL	5	3					
	FAL			1	1			



# SETS AND CATCHES



Increase of sets not associated in the year 2019



- Decrease in YFT capture to 2019, both in Non-Associates and Associates.
- The SKJ maintains the catch level in associates, but in Non-associates it has increased.
- BET has decreased in both



# REJILLA EXCLUDORA

The data does not reflect a clear logical trend of evasion in terms of greater% sinking of the grid, greater escape of juvenile Tunas.

Sin embargo, a pesar de estar ocupado haciendo maniobras, los capitanes se esfuerzan en registrar evasión.

DATOS REJILLA 2018							
Túnicos (tons)					Otras Especies (Uni.)		
%Sumergido	Nº lances	Atún Capturado	Atún salió x la rejilla	%Escape	DORADO	WAHOO	Spp
1 - 25	111	1439	35	2,46%	132	10	45
25 - 50	860	17254	58	0,34%	1402	207	78
50 - 75	959	21185	111	0,52%	5587	2798	16
75 - 100	586	15497	43	0,28%	433	2	378
<b>Total</b>	<b>2516</b>	<b>55374</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>0,45%</b>	<b>7554</b>	<b>3017</b>	<b>517</b>

• However, we know the following:

En el 2018, de 55.374 Tons capturadas, un

0,45% tunas run away

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1 - 25	239	6149	343	6%	945	164	1466
25 - 50	785	15632	121	1%	2578	805	167
50 - 75	1096	27586	753	3%	3091	1628	1440
75 - 100	743	16126	205	1%	1598	253	633
<b>Total</b>	<b>2863</b>	<b>65493</b>	<b>1422</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>8212</b>	<b>2850</b>	<b>3706</b>

In 2019, from 65493 Tons catches:

2% of tunas pass through the purse seine net.

Thousands of units of mahi-mahi, wahoo and spp (chanchitos, yellowtail,) also escaped



# 1st WORKSHOP ON ANALYSIS AND IMPROVEMENT OF USE AND FUNCTION OF SORTING GRIDS.

- Review of SORTING grid models in other fisheries around the world.
- Presentations of results of the models tested by the Ecuador, Tunacons, Probecuador and CIAT fleet.

• Most captains gave their opinion about changes that the experimental grid should have, and proposed how the location and date of the tests should be.

## Experiment:

a) Experiment of exclusive exclusion grid in the bag area:

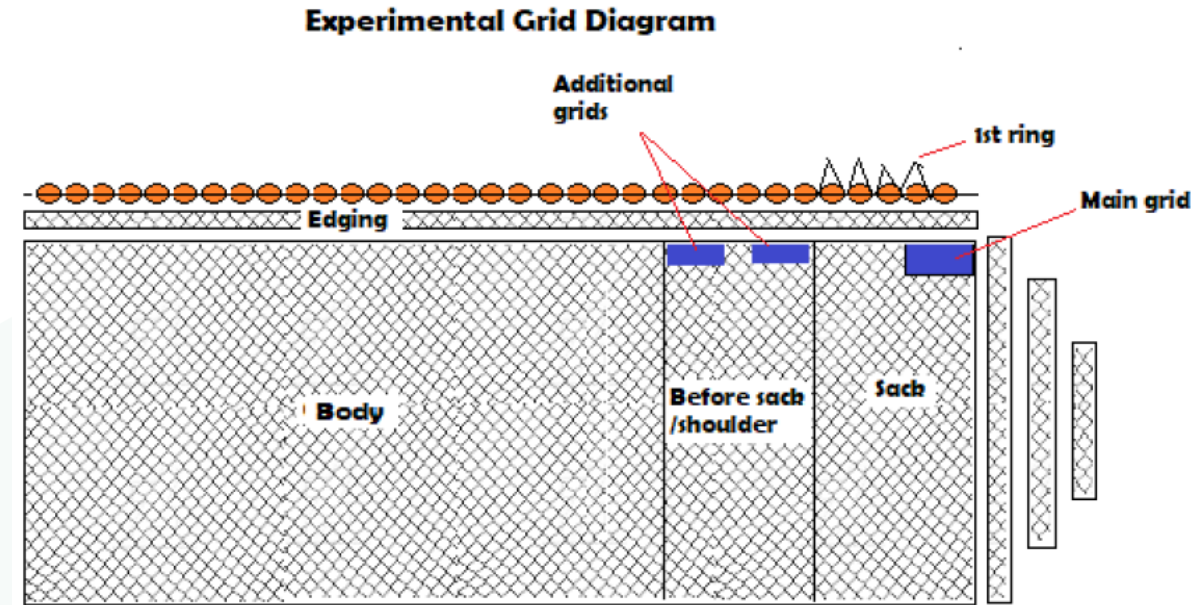
a.1) A 4m x 4m grid with 9cm x 10cm net in the bag area

a.2) A 5m x 4m grid with 9cm x 10cm net in the bag area

b) Main grid experiment with additional auxiliary grids:

b.1) A 4m x 4m grid in the bag, plus a 4m x 2m grid in the antecol, both with 9cm x 10cm net.

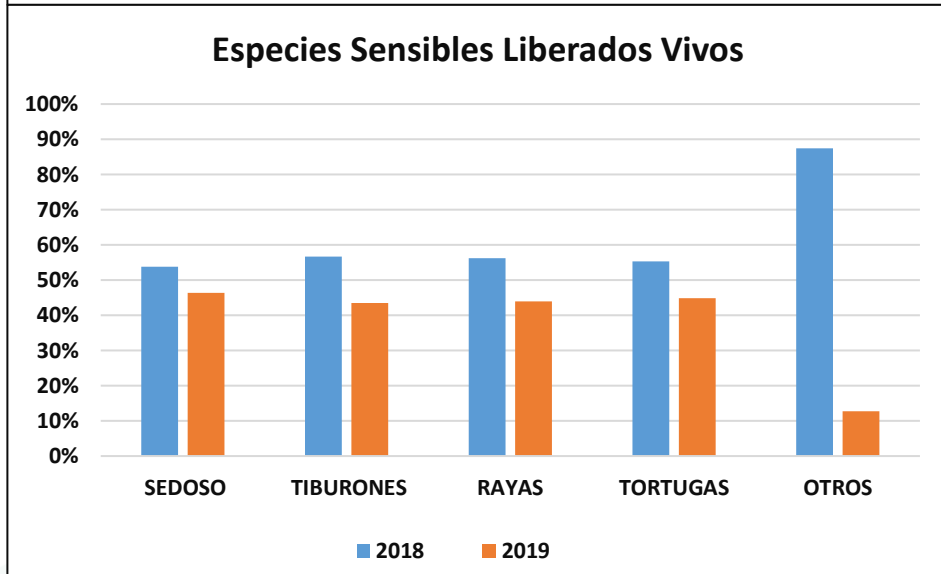
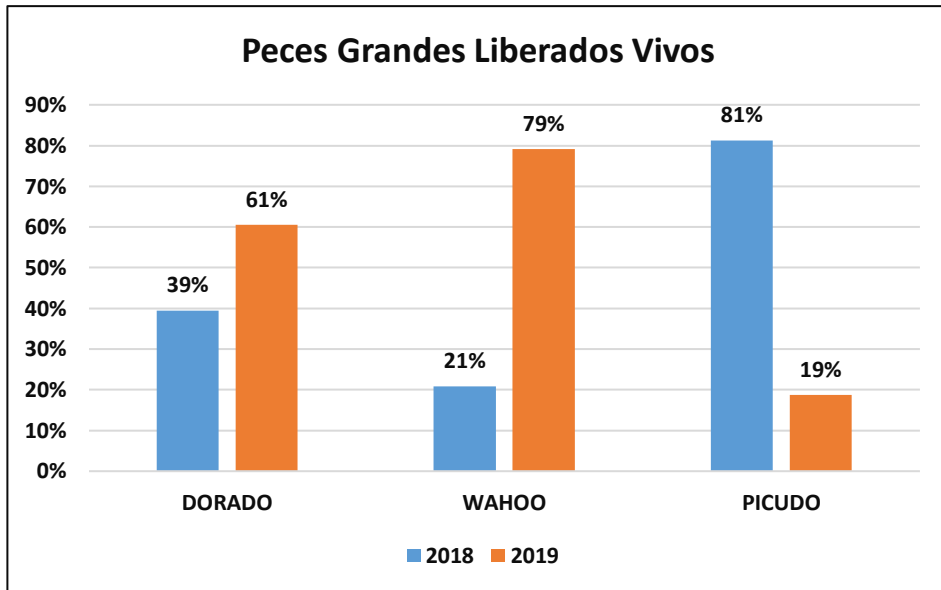
b.2) One 4m x 4m grid in the bag, plus two 4m x 2m grids in the antecol, all with 9cm x 10cm net.



**A new Workshop with IATTC is being scheduled with international experts in fishing techniques.**



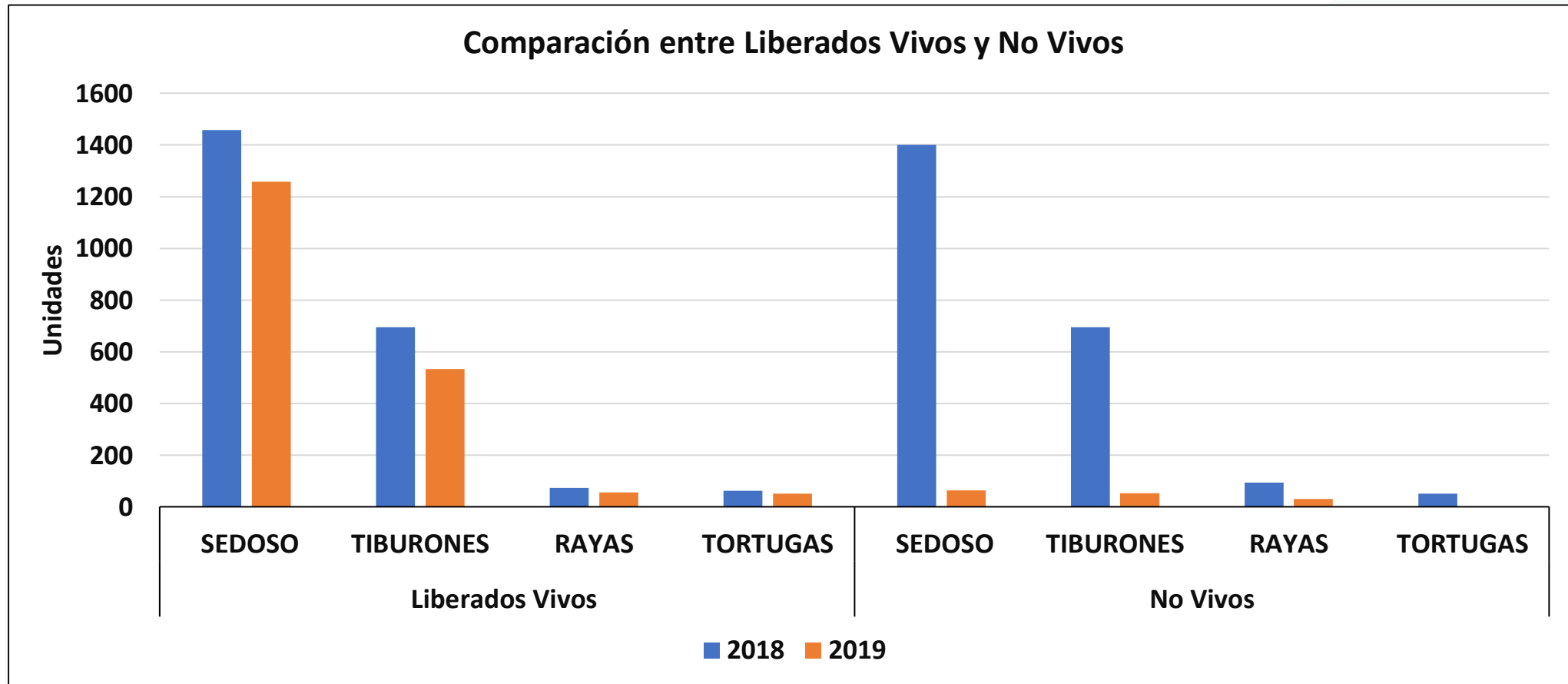
# FADs Bycatch



Applying good practices in the management of sensitive species, a large number of Sharks, Rays and Turtles have been released.



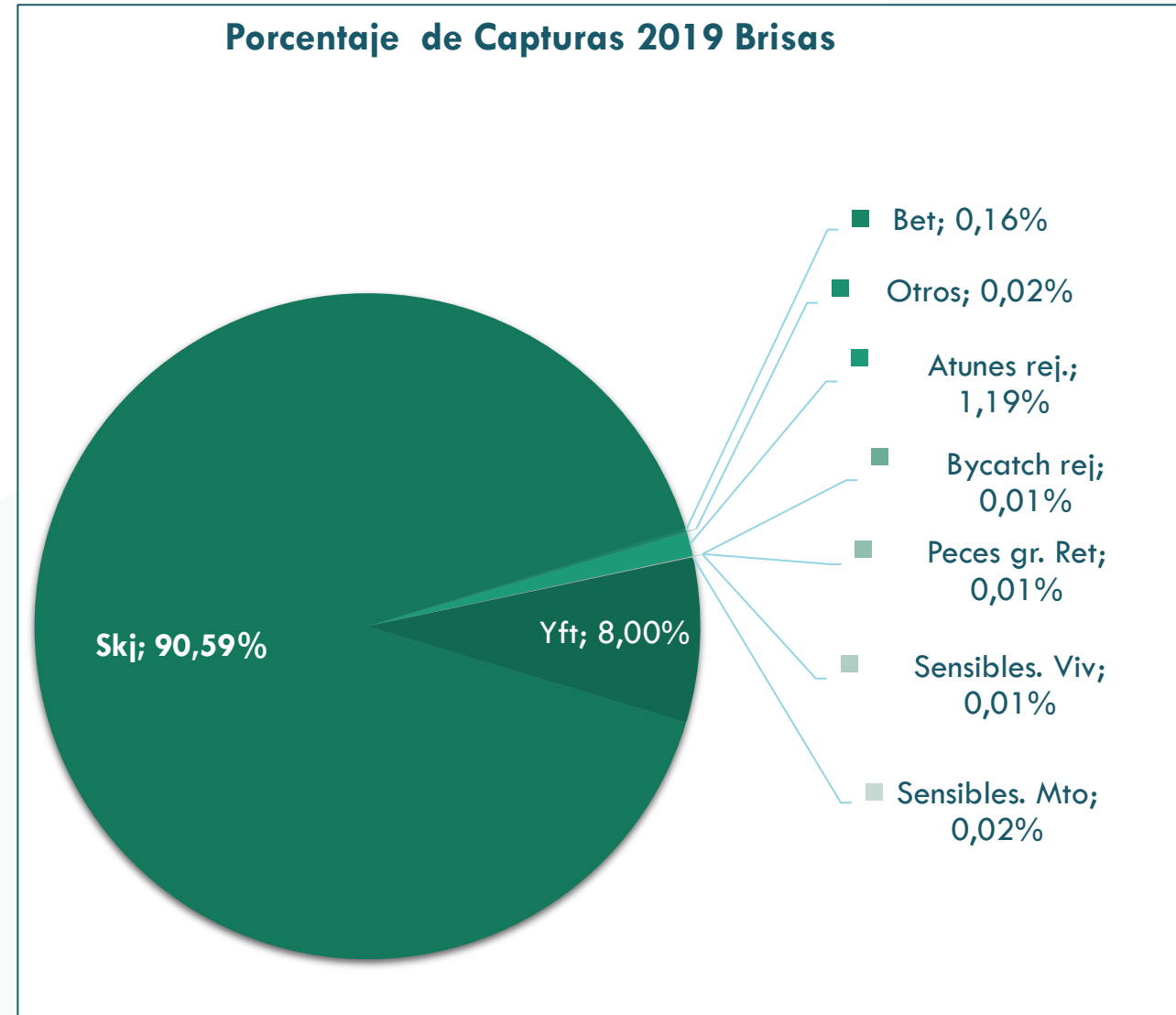
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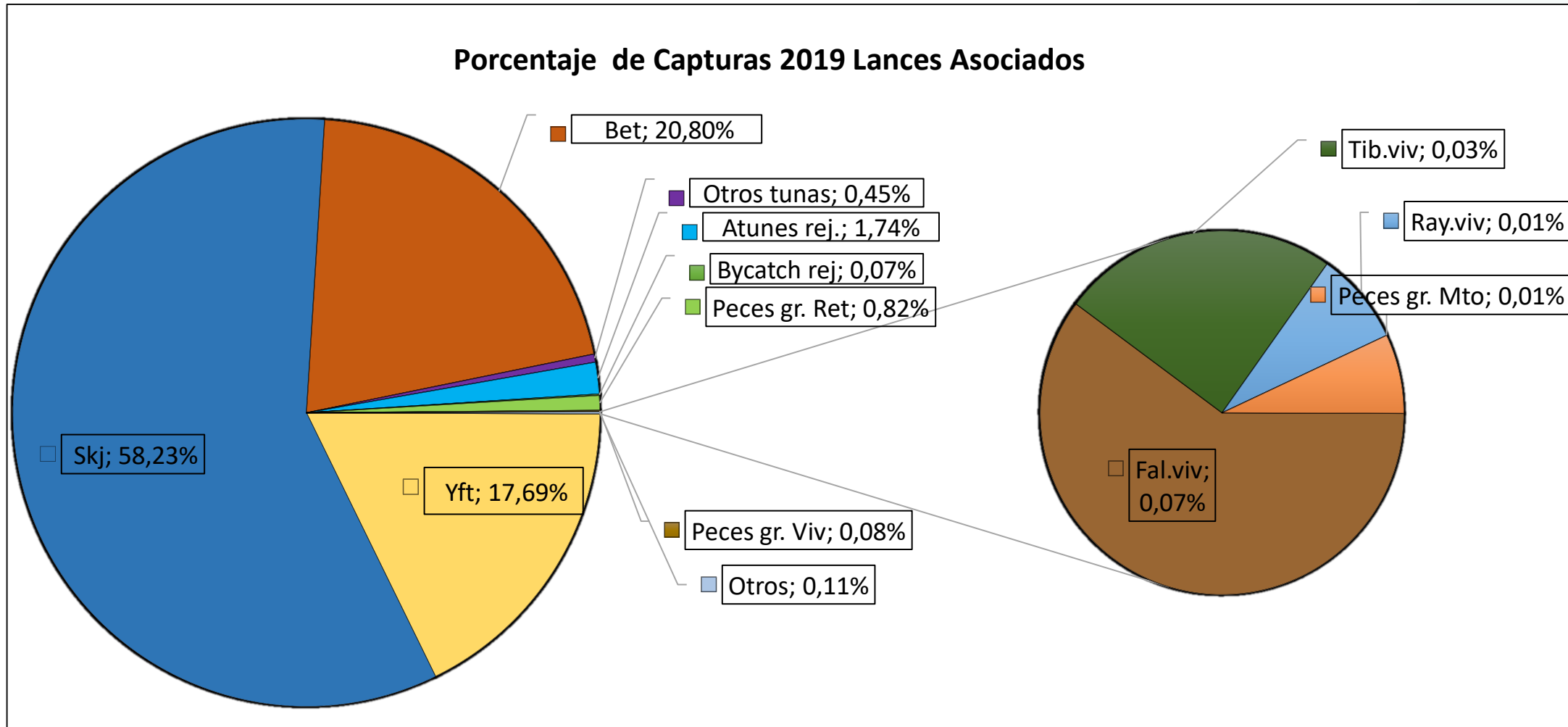
# Free school sets Bycatch

The percentages of bycatch rates in Free school are low.

- Grid Tunas: They are juvenile tunas that escape through the Grid (1.19%)
- Bycatch Grid: they are mahi mahi, juvenile wahoo and "chanchitos" (0.01%)
- Fish gr. Ret .: They are golden, wahoo, Picudos.
- Sensitive Live: Released by good practices unharmed, Silky, other sharks, Manta rays, turtles and others (0.01%).
- Sensitive: Returned to the sea dead Sharks Silky and others, Matarrayas, others.



The percentages of the by-catch species in the sets on FADs are higher than in the sets in FREE SCHOOL, but **THE PERCENTAGES OF INCIDENTAL CATCH ARE ALSO LOW.**





# RAY TAG PROGRAM



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Rays mark IATTC project



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hoy en

**TRIPULANTES**

*Al rescate*



Compartimos la liberación de una tortuga Verde por la tripulación del BP Rafa.

**BUENAS PRÁCTICAS**

a bordo para la conservación de la biodiversidad marina.



APLICANDO LAS  
BUENAS PRACTICAS  
DE MANEJO Y  
LIBERACION DE  
FAUNA  
ACOMPANANTE  
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# PLANTILLA DE RECOLECCIÓN DE DATOS EN LA FLOTA



FLEET DATA COLLECTION TEMPLATE



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Datos recogidos en la plantilla entre años 2018 y 2019  
Programa de pruebas de plantados biodegradables del grupo Tunacons.

## Especies más comunes liberadas vivas

120 tortugas

Mayormente:  
*Eretmochelys coriácea*,  
*Lepidochelys olivácea* y  
*Chelonia mydas*



135 rayas

Mayormente:  
*Mobula thurstoni*  
*Pteroplatytrigon violacea*



4066 tiburones

Mayormente:  
*Carcharhinus falciformis*  
*Sphyrna lewini*  
*Sphyrna zygaena*



MOST COMMON ALIVE RELEASE SPECIES



## CONSTANT TRAINING TO UPDATE KNOWLEDGE IN:

- Latest CIAT resolutions
- Release of live bycatch based on the Code.

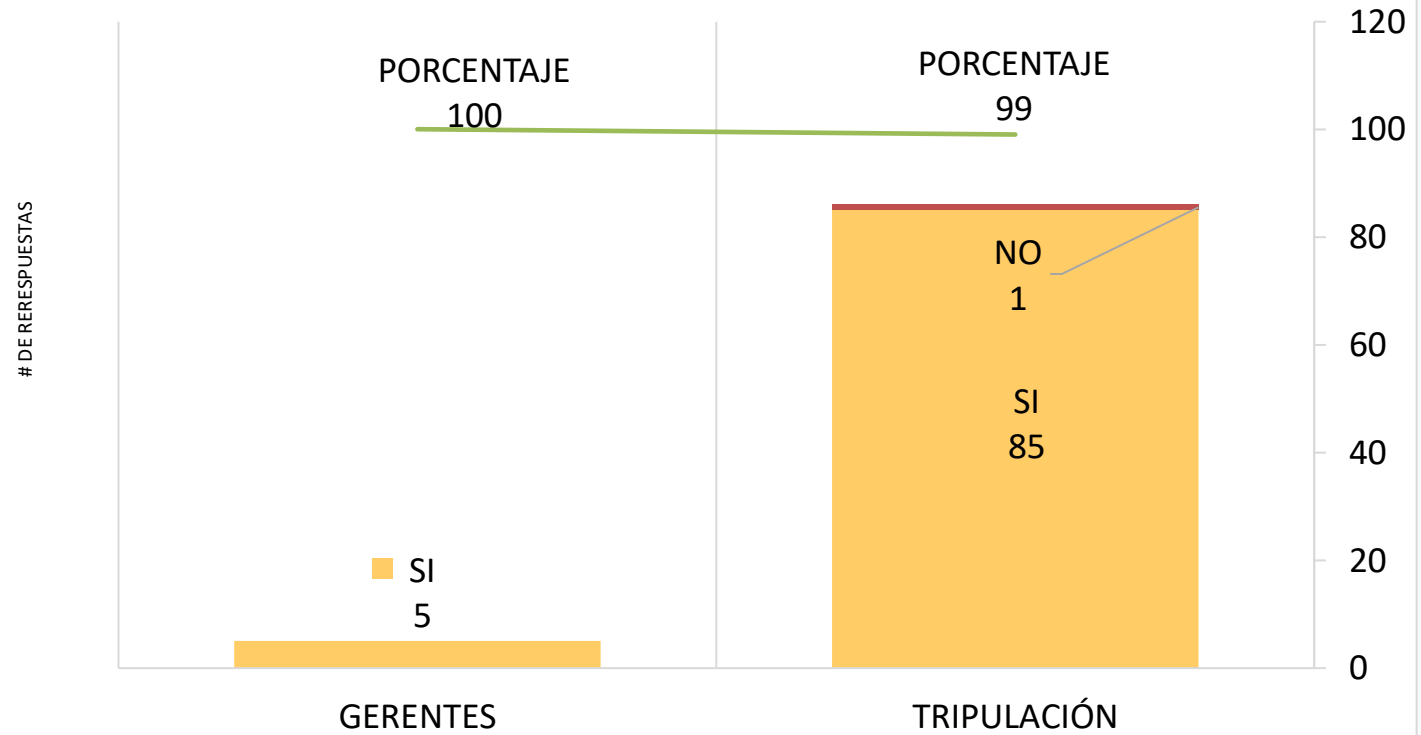
Workshops are also held in cooperation with ISSF & Azti. To exchange experiences in the release of sensitive species and in degradable FADs.



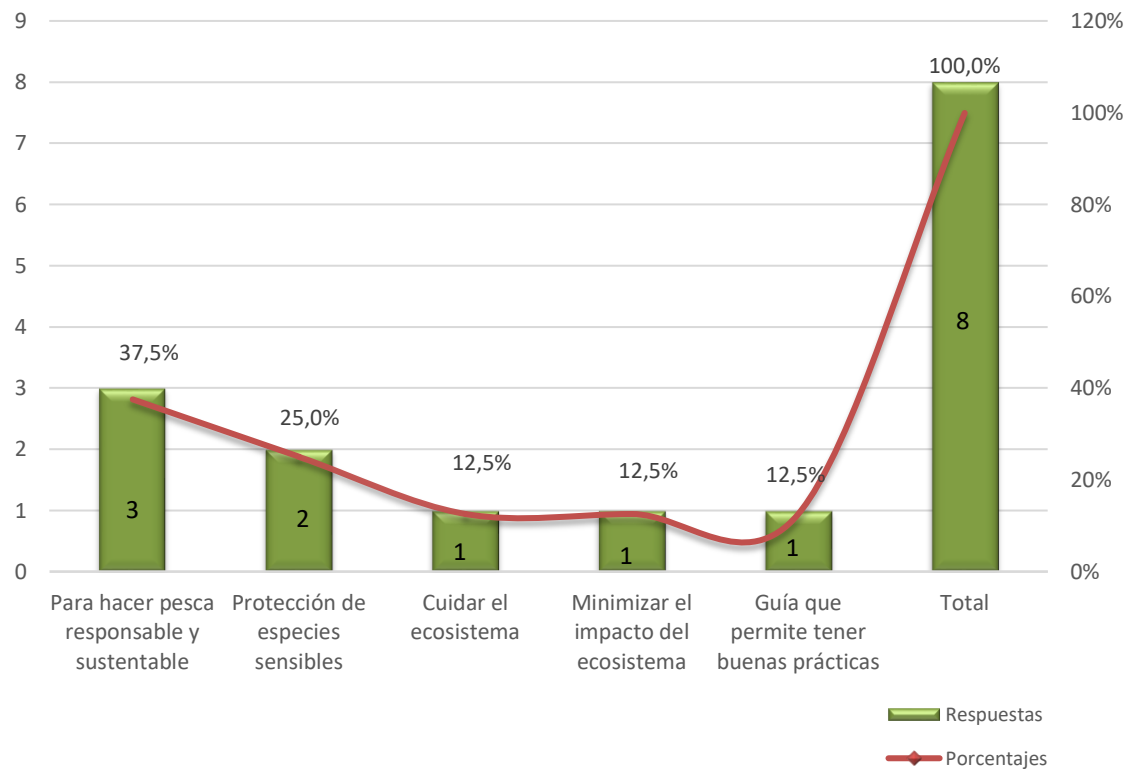
# EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT OF THE GOOD PRACTICES CODE



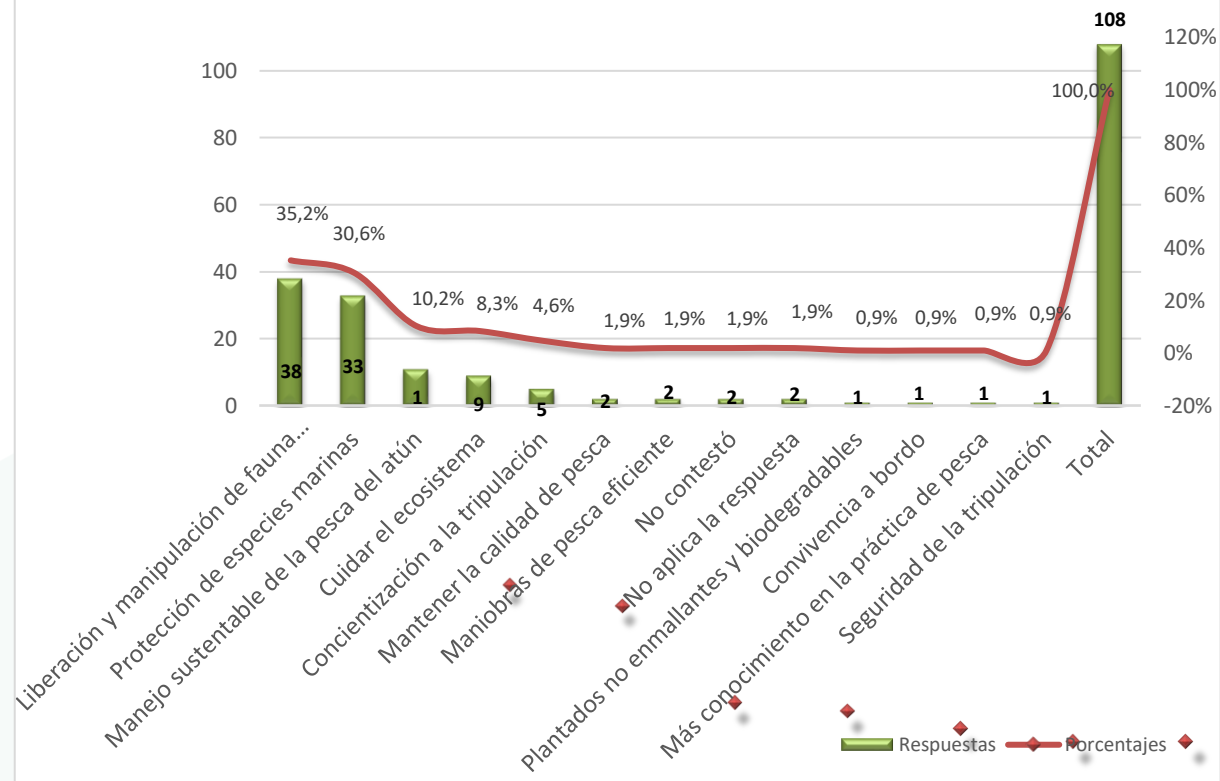
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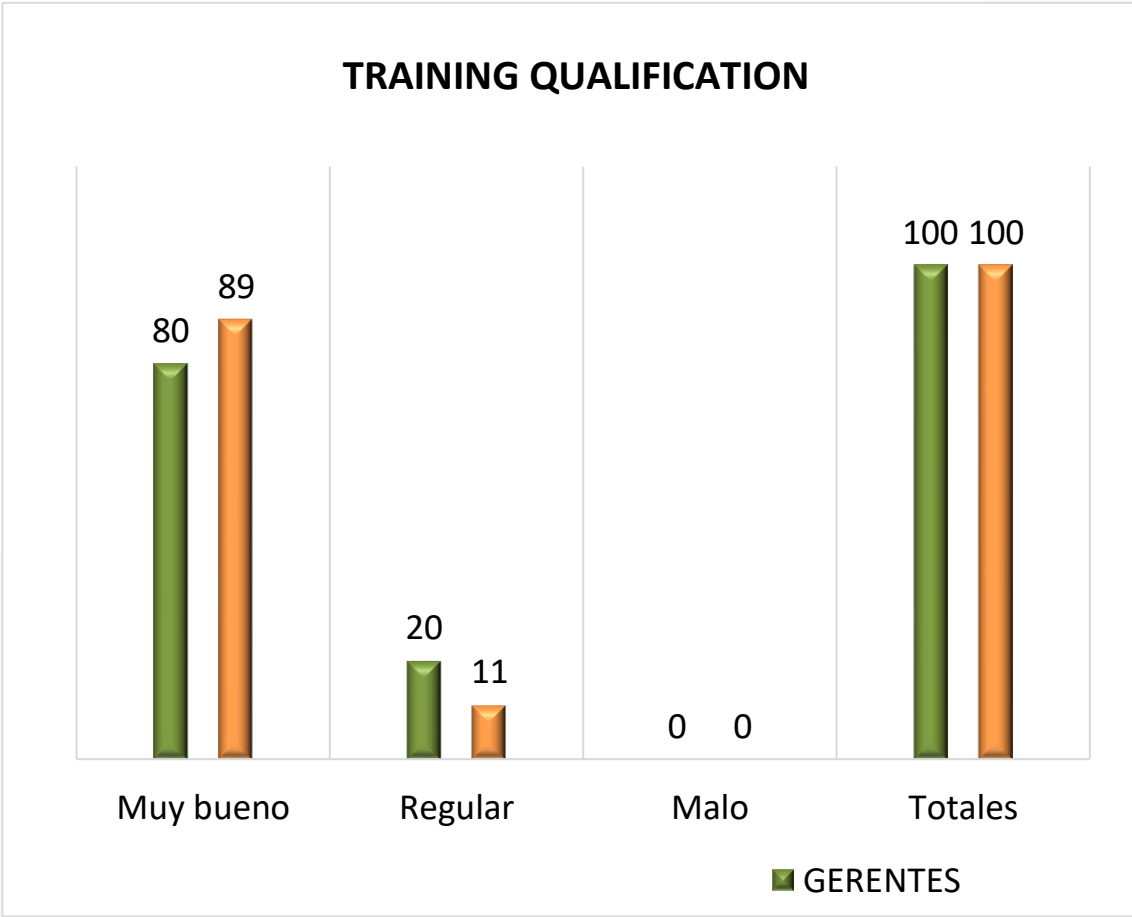
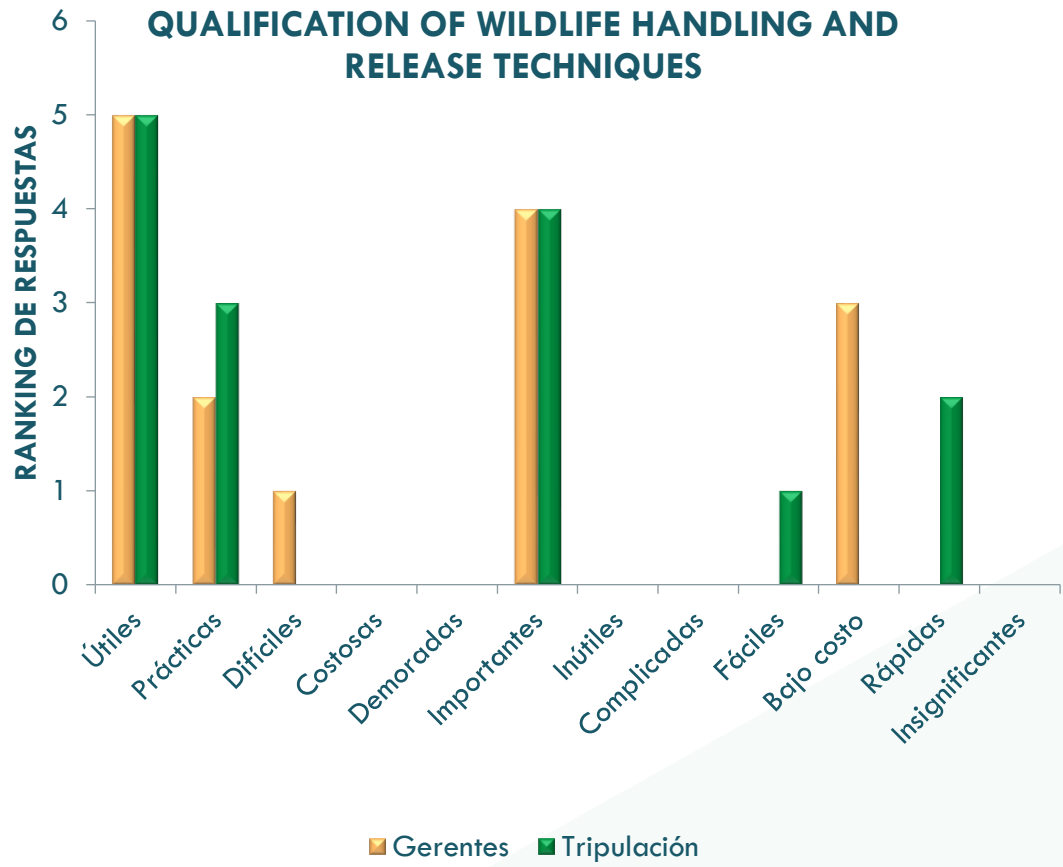


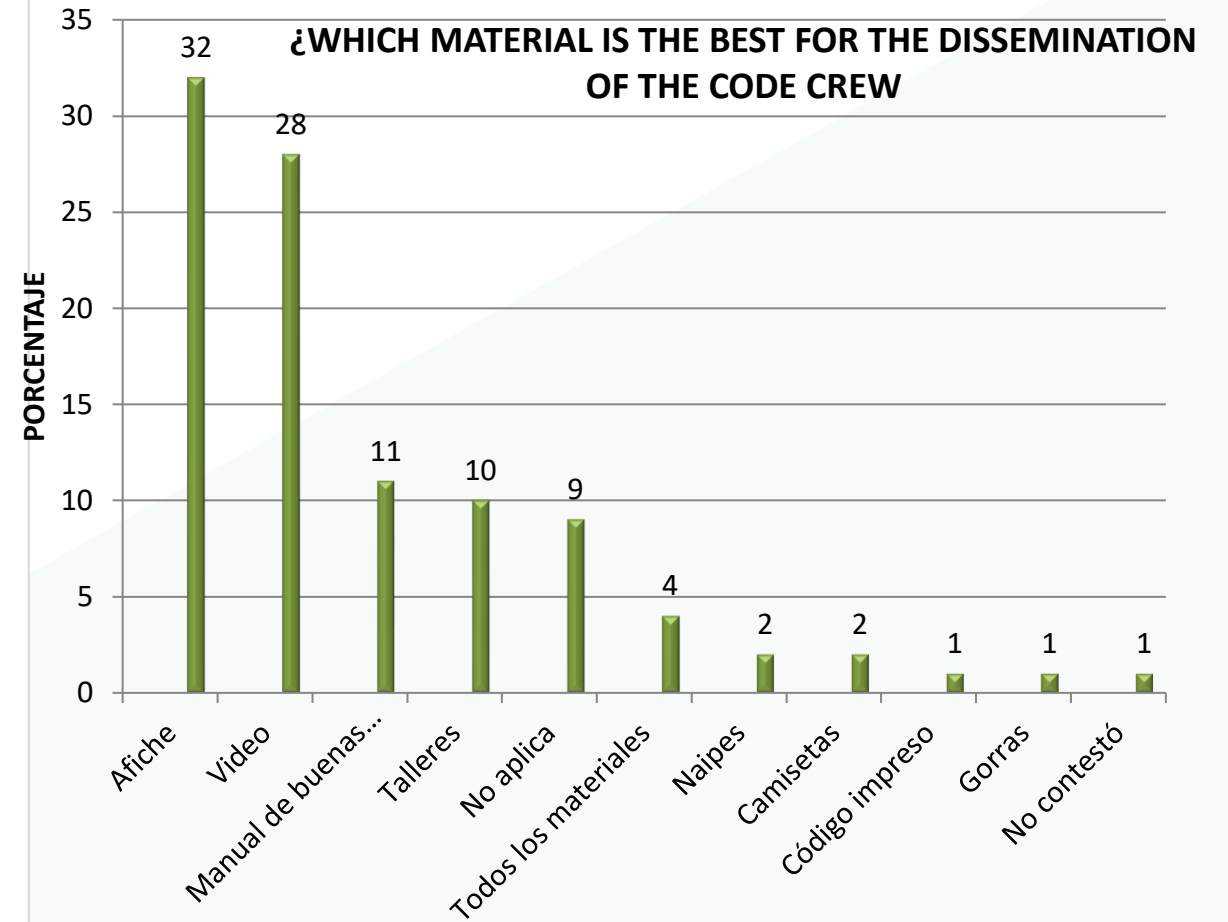
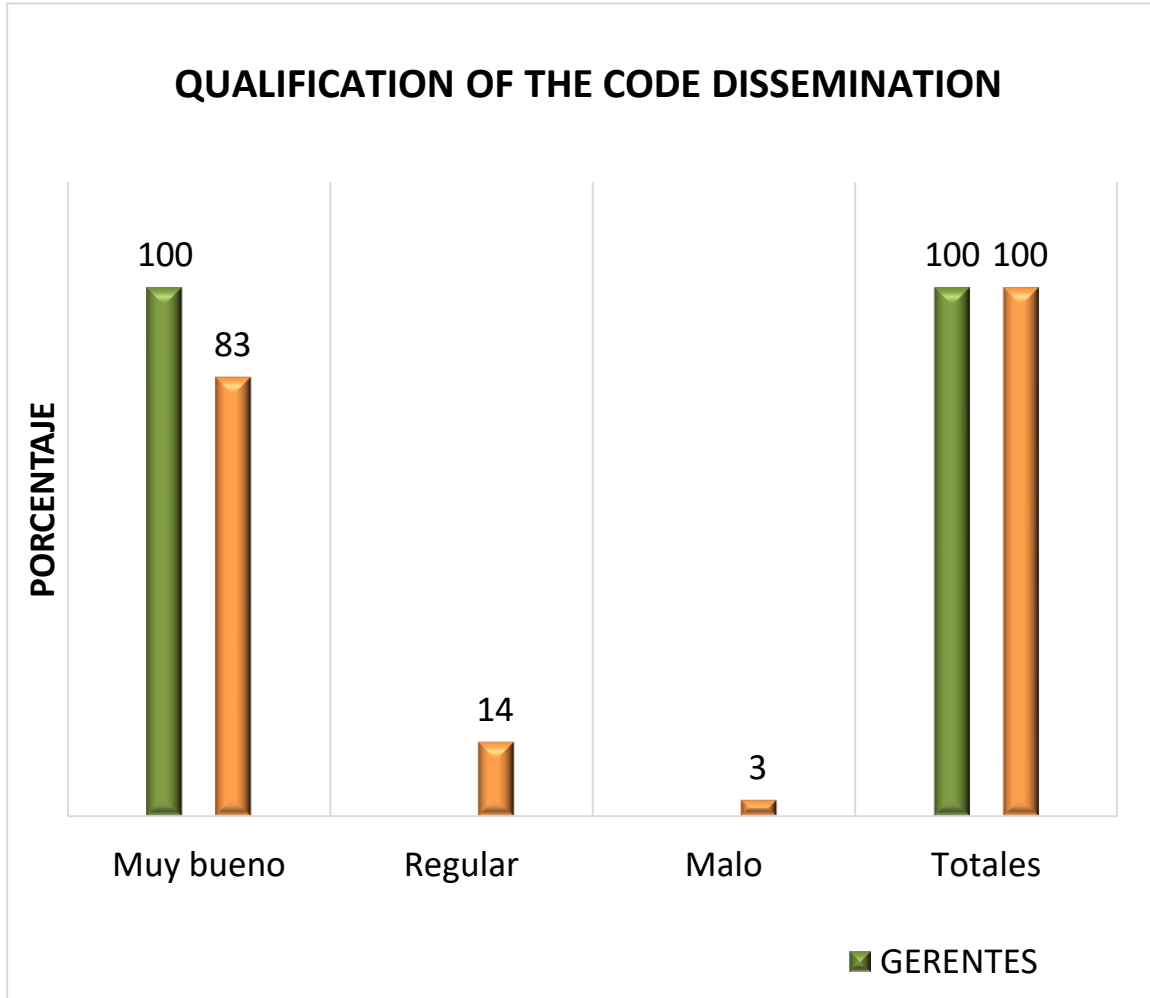
### OPINION ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CODE - MANAGERS



### OPINION ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CODE - CREW











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**GRACIAS**



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