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**2023 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC OBSERVER REPORT FOR UNITED STATES
LONGLINE FISHERY IN THE ANTIGUA CONVENTION AREA**

FLEET INFORMATION (vessels >20m LOA)																				
Period covered		Both set types combined						Shallow sets (<15 HPB/HBF¹ or <100m max hook depth)						Deep sets (≥15 HPB/HBF or ≥100m max hook depth)						
		From			To			From			To			From			To			
		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	
Date range		1	JAN	2023	31	DEC	2023	1	JAN	2023	31	DEC	2023	1	JAN	2023	31	DEC	2023	
Area fished		Longitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
			125	0	W	150	0	W	125	0	W	150	0	W	125	0	W	150	0	W
		Latitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
			16	0	N	38	0	N	16	0	N	38	0	N	16	0	N	38	0	N
		Total Fleet		Observed		% observed		Total Fleet		Observed		% observed		Total Fleet		Observed		% observed		
No. of vessels that fished		115		42		37		9		9		100		106		33		31		
No. of trips		278		52		19		12		12		100		266		40		15		
No. of effective days fishing																				
No. of sets		2775		437		16		49		49		100		2726		388		14		
No. of hooks (in thousands) <i>(If unknown, approx. no. of hooks/set, using a *)</i>		8534		1235		14		63		63		100		8471		1172		14		
Predominant ² hook type/size (IATTC (IATTC code))		C-22		C-22				C-02		C-02				C-22		C-22				
Predominant bait type ³		F		F				F		F				F		F				

¹ Hooks per basket / Hooks between floats

² "Predominant" means most common, i.e., >50%. [Click here for IATTC hook codes.](#)

³ Bait code: SQ – squid; F – fishes (e.g. Scomber spp.); A – artificial lure (e.g. plastic jig)

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