

Comisión Interamericana del Atún Tropical Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission



REPORTING UNDER C-19-08: SCIENTIFIC OBSERVERS FOR LONGLINE VESSELS

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Summary Reporting

- Due March 31, 2021 for 2020 fishing year
- Standard format for summary reporting adopted as Annex A of C-19-08
- Requirement for 5% observer coverage of effort of longline vessels >20m LOA
- Measure of effort must be in terms of ***number of hooks*** or ***effective days fishing***

Summary Reporting under Annex A: 2020

CPC	Annex A Summary submitted?	% Observer coverage reported 2020
BLZ		
CHL	NA	
CHN	Y	4.86% preliminary(# hooks) preliminar (# de anzuelos)
CRI		
ECU	Y	5.66% (effective days fishing) (días efectivos de pesca)
EU	Y	3.80% (effective days fishing) (días efectivos de pesca)
FRA		
GTM		
JPN	Y	5.97% (effective days fishing) (días efectivos de pesca)
KOR	Y	2.87% preliminary (effective days fishing) preliminar (días efectivos de pesca)
MEX	Y	6.17% (effective days fishing) (días efectivos de pesca)
NIC		
PAN		
PER		
SLV		
TWN	Y	0.6% preliminary/preliminar, 10.6% projected/proyectada
USA	Y	16.31% (# hooks)(# de anzuelos)
VEN	NA	
VUT		

- 19 CPCs with longline vessels >20m LOA on RVR
- 2 CPCs reporting that C-19-08 did not apply to them in 2020 because their qualifying vessels were not active
- Of the remaining 17 CPCs, 8 submitted summary reporting- all using the correct format found in Annex A
- 3 of the 8 summary reports submitted are based on preliminary data
- Summary reporting for each reporting CPC are posted as SAC-12 INF-A papers on the SAC12 documents page

Summary Reporting under Annex A: 2020



CPC	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
BLZ	NR ²	NR ²	P	P	P	P	NR ³	
CHL							NA ¹	NA ¹
CHN								
CRI							NR ²	
ECU								
EU (Portugal)	NR	NR	NR		NR	NR		
EU (Spain)	NR	NR	NR	NR				
FRA								
GTM	NR ²	NR ²	NR ²	NR ²	NA	NA	NA	
JPN	NR ¹	NR ¹						
KOR								
MEX								
NIC					NA ¹			
PAN								
PER	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹		
SLV	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	
TWN								
USA								
VEN					NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹	NA ¹
VUT								

NR- Not reporting

NR¹ - CPC stated they will not be reporting data because they cannot report against the IATTC standards for these years

NR² - CPC reports that they had qualifying vessels, but did not have a longline observer program in this fishing year

NR³ - CPC reports that relevant vessel was only active during the last quarter of the fishing year and an observer could not be assigned

NA - CPC reports that the observer requirements were not applicable

NA¹ - CPC reports that the observer requirements were not applicable because relevant vessels listed on the RVR were not active or did not fish for IATTC species in this year

P - CPC has indicated that data will be submitted soon

Submission of Operational Longline Observer Data

- Operational-level longline observer data is required to be submitted to one of the two sets minimum standards provided in Annex B of C-19-08
- Of the 8 CPCs that typically submit summary reporting for the longline observer programs, 6 have submitted their observer data for all years which observer data was collected
- Need to determine the disposition of the cells appearing in red (e.g. requirement was not applicable; the requirement was applicable, but no vessels were observed; or observer data was collected, but not yet reported)
- See paper BYC-10 INF-D for analysis of LL observer data received to date



Questions