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2024 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC OBSERVER REPORT FOR JAPAN LONGLINE FISHERY IN THE ANTIGUA CONVENTION AREA

CPC	Japan (JPN)

FLEET INFORMATION (vessels >20m LOA)

		Both set types combined						Shallow sets (<15 HPB/HBF[1] or <100m max hook depth)						Deep sets (≥15 HPB/HBF or ≥100m max hook depth)					
Period covered		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	2024	31	DEC	2024	1	JAN	2024	21	NOV	2024	1	JAN	2024	31	DEC	2024
Area fished	Longitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
		75	58	W	147	34	W	75	58	W	87	34	W	84	1	W	147	34	W
	Latitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
		5	10	N	32	30	S	25	10	S	32	30	S	5	10	N	25	56	S

	Total Fleet	Observed	% observed	Total Fleet	Observed	% observed	Total Fleet	Observed	% observed
No. of vessels that fished	13	1		1			13	1	
No. of trips	22	1		5			18	1	
No. of effective days fishing	1,714	58	3	150			1,564	58	4
No. of sets	1,715	59	3	150			1,565	59	4
No. of hooks (in thousands) *(If unknown, approx. no. of hooks/set, using a *)*	4,418	142		406			4,012	142	
Predominant[2] hook type/size (IATTC (IATTC code)		Circle 3.8 sun						Circle 3.8 sun	
Predominant bait type[3]	SQ & F	F		SQ & F			SQ & 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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NON-RETAINED SPECIES (vessels >20m LOA)										
		No. of individuals observed								
		Both set types combined			Shallow sets (<15 HPB/HBF[1] or <100m max hook depth)			Deep sets (≥15 HPB/HBF or ≥100m max hook depth)		
		Released			Released			Released		
Species code	Species	Alive	Dead	Condition unknown	Alive	Dead	Condition unknown	Alive	Dead	Condition unknown
Sea turtles										
DKK	Leatherback turtle (Dermochelys coriacea)									
TTL	Loggerhead turtle (Caretta caretta)									
KEZ	Green turtle (Chelonia agassizii)									
LKV	Olive ridley turtle (Lepidochelys olivacea)									
	Click to add a sea turtle species									
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Sharks and Rays										
FAL	Silky shark (Carcharhinus falciformis)	2						2		
OCS	Oceanic whitetip shark (Carcharhinus longimanus)									
BSH	Blue shark (Prionace glauca)	57	11					57	11	
SMA	Short fin mako shark (Isurus oxyrinchus)									
SPL	Scalloped hammerhead shark (Sphyrna lewini)									
SPZ	Smooth hammerhead shark (Sphyrna zygaena)	1						1		
SPK	Great hammerhead (Sphyrna mokarran)									
RMB	Giant manta (Mobula birostris)									
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	For additional species caught, enter species code and species in rows below									

Marine mammals										
FAW	False killer whale (Pseudorca crassidens)									
DRR	Risso's dolphin (Grampus griseus)									
SGF	Guadalupe fur seal (Arctocephalus townsendi)									
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Seabirds										
DPK	Waved albatross (Phoebastria irrorata)									
DIZ	Laysan albatross (Phoebastria immutabilis)									
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	Antipodian albatross (Diomedea antipodensis)									

	Short-tailed albatross (Phoebastria albatrus)									
Billfishes										
MLS	Striped marlin (Kajikia audax)									
SSP	Shortbill spearfish (Tetrapturus angustirostris)	1	3					1	3	
BUM	Blue marlin (Makaira nigricans)									
	Click to add a billfish species									
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