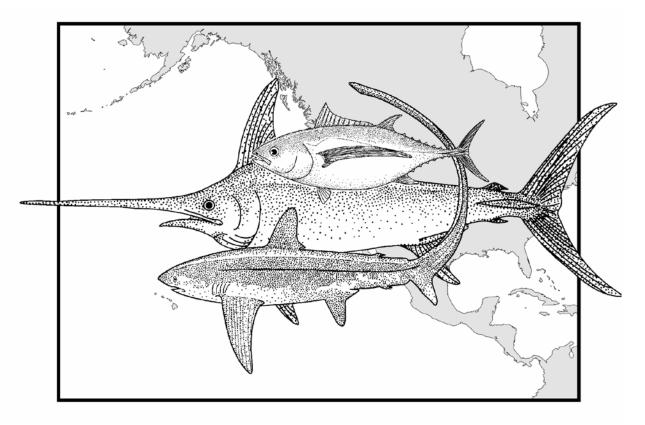
# STATUS OF THE U.S. WEST COAST FISHERIES FOR HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES THROUGH 2010



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## Acronyms

ACL	annual catch limit
	American Fishermen's Research Foundation
AFRF	
B	biomass initial (unfinhed) biomage
$B_0$	initial (unfished) biomass
BO	Biological Opinion
BREP	Bycatch Reduction Engineering Program
CDFG	California Department of Fish and Game
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CMM	Conservation and Management Measure
Council	Pacific Fishery Management Council
CPFV	commercial passenger fishing vessel
CPUE	catch per unit of effort
CRFS	California Recreational Fisheries Survey
DGN	drift gillnet
EEZ	exclusive economic zone
EFH	essential fish habitat
EPO	eastern Pacific Ocean
ESA	Endangered Species Act
F	fishing mortality rate
FL	fork length
FMP	fishery management plan
FR	Federal Register
HAPC	Habitat Area of Particular Concern
HMS	highly migratory species
HMS FMP	Fishery Management Plan for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species
HMSAS	Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel
HMSMT	Highly Migratory Species Management Team
IATTC	Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
ISC	International Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific
IUU	illegal, unregulated, and unreported fishing
LOF	List of Fisheries
MFMT	maximum fishing mortality threshold
MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act
MRIP	Marine Recreational Information Program
MSA	Magnuson-Stevens Act, Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
MSST	minimum stock size threshold
MSY	maximum sustainable yield
mt	metric ton
MUS	management unit species
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPO	North Pacific Ocean
NRIFSF	National Research Institute of Far Seas Fisheries (Japan)
ODFW	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OSP	Washington Ocean Sampling Program
OY	optimum yield
PacFIN	Pacific Fisheries Information Network

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551	sea surface temperature
	Southwest Regional Office (NMFS)
WCPFC	Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission
WCPO	western and central Pacific Ocean
WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 The Fishery Management Plan

The Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species (HMS) was developed by the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) in response to the need to coordinate state, federal, and international management of the stocks listed in Table 1–1.<sup>1</sup> The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), on behalf of the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, partially approved the HMS FMP on February 4, 2004. The majority of HMS FMP implementing regulations became effective on April 7, 2004. Reporting and recordkeeping provisions became effective on February 10, 2005. A list of current HMS FMP regulations is provided in Table 3-1 on page 39.

On June 7, 2007, NMFS approved Amendment 1 to the HMS FMP. The FMP was amended to incorporate recommended international measures to end overfishing of the Pacific stock of bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) in response to formal notification from NMFS that overfishing was occurring on this stock. Amendment 1 also served as a means to substantially reorganize the original combined FMP and Final Environmental Impact Statement, published in August 2003. Much of the descriptive material in the combined document was moved to a series of appendices, substantially shortening the body of the FMP. An electronic copy of the current FMP and the aforementioned appendices are available on the Council's website at <a href="http://www.pcouncil.org/highly-migratory-species/fishery-management-plan-and-amendments/">http://www.pcouncil.org/highly-migratory-species/fishery-management-plan-and-amendments/</a>.

Common Name	Scientific Name
striped marlin	Kajikia audax <sup>2</sup>
swordfish	Xiphias gladius
common thresher shark	Alopias vulpinus
pelagic thresher shark	Alopias pelagicus
bigeye thresher shark	Alopias superciliosus
shortfin mako shark (bonito shark)	Isurus oxyrinchus
blue shark	Prionace glauca
North Pacific albacore	Thunnus alalunga
yellowfin tuna	Thunnus albacares
bigeye tuna	Thunnus obesus
skipjack tuna	Katsuwonus pelamis
Pacific bluefin tuna	Thunnus orientalis
dorado (a.k.a. mahi mahi, dolphinfish)	Coryphaena hippurus

#### Table 1-1. HMS FMP management unit species.

#### **1.2** Purpose of the SAFE Report

Federal regulations (40 CFR 600.315(e)) pursuant to National Standard 2 in the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA), state that "Conservation and management measures shall be based upon the best scientific information available...," which the Council addresses in part by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Throughout this document "West Coast" is used to denote the geographic region comprising the coastal areas of Washington, Oregon, and California.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This scientific name for this species was previously *Tetrapturus audax*.

the annual requirement to prepare a Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) report for each FMP. Section 4.3 in the HMS FMP describes the requirements for a SAFE report. The SAFE report is produced annually and summarizes biological and socioeconomic conditions related to HMS stocks and fisheries. The Council may use this information in making decisions about needed management measures.

#### 1.3 The Management Cycle

The HMS FMP also establishes an annual process for the delivery of the SAFE report to the Council, intended to coincide with the management cycle: a draft report is provided in June for initial decision-making on the need for new harvest specifications and management measures. The final report is delivered in September to provide the recommendations and information necessary to develop and implement any harvest specifications and management measures. NMFS implements the Council's recommended management measures through the federal regulatory process, if they are found to be consistent with the MSA and other applicable law. Any such measures become effective at the start of the next fishing year, April 1 of the following year, or when the rulemaking process is complete, and stay in unless action is taken to modify the action. Council meetings in 2006 initiated the first biennial management cycle under the HMS FMP with consideration of measures to be implemented during the April 1, 2007–March 31, 2009 biennium. In 2010the Council considered management changes for the third biennial period, April 1, 2011–March 31, 2013.

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#### 1.5 Council Highly Migratory Species Activities in 2010

Beginning with this SAFE, Council activities are reported on a calendar year basis. The 2009 SAFE reported activities from September 2009 to June 2010. Where there is an overlap, activities reported in the 2009 SAFE are only noted. Written materials distributed at Council meetings are available at <a href="http://www.pcouncil.org/bb/bbarchives.html">http://www.pcouncil.org/bb/bbarchives.html</a> and summaries of decisions taken at these meetings are available at <a href="http://www.pcouncil.org/resources/archives/council-meeting-decisions/">http://www.pcouncil.org/resources/archives/council-meeting-decisions/</a>.

#### **Biennial Harvest Specifications**

In June 2010 the Council initiated the third cycle for adopting biennial harvest specifications and management measures since the HMS FMP was implemented. The Council considered two proposals, one proposed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to place a per-trip limit on the Washington recreational albacore tuna fishery and a second to change the current federal regulations placing a 10 swordfish retention limit on vessels fishing with deep-set (tuna-targeting) pelagic longline gear, consistent with a proposal made by the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council for the pelagic longline fishery managed under their Fishery Ecosystem Plan. WDFW subsequently withdrew the bag limit proposal. In November the Council recommended the change in the swordfish incidental catch retention limit for vessels carrying an observer. For vessels not carrying an observer but using circle hooks, the limit would increase to 25 swordfish.

#### **Recommendations to Regional Fishery Management Organizations**

At the June 2010 meeting the Council made recommendations to the U.S. delegations to theInter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) forums. A summary of the recommendations can be found in the decision document: http://www.pcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/0610decisions.pdf.

At the September 2010 meeting the Council made recommendations to the U.S. delegation to the 81<sup>st</sup> IATTC meeting held September 27-October 1, 2010. A summary of the recommendations can be found in the decision document: <u>http://www.pcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/0910decisions.pdf</u>.

At the November 2010 meeting the Council made recommendations to the U.S. delegation to the WCPFC Seventh Regular Session held December 6-10, 2010. A summary of the recommendations can be found in the decision document: <u>http://www.pcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/1110decisions.pdf</u>.

#### Amendment 2 to the HMS FMP

In June 2010 the Council took final action on Amendment 2, which addresses new provisions relative to National Standard 1 in the MSA ("Conservation and management measures shall prevent overfishing while achieving, on a continuing basis, the optimum yield from each fishery for the United States fishing industry.") The amendment was submitted to NMFS in early 2011 with implementation expected by mid-2011.

#### Limited Entry for the West Coast North Pacific Albacore Fishery

In April 2010 the Council considered the need for a limited entry program for the albacore fishery but decided it was not necessary at this time. It directed the HMSMT, with assistance from the HMSAS and support from NMFS, to gather additional information about characteristics of domestic and international albacore fishing fleets and report back in the first half of 2011. Related to the limited entry question, the Council considered whether to take action to change the current March 9, 2000, control date for HMS fisheries but concluded that no action was necessary, since a limited entry program will not be developed in the foreseeable future.

#### Critical Habitat Designation for Pacific Leatherback Sea Turtles

At the April 2010 meeting the Council commented on a proposed rule to designate critical habitat for the endangered leatherback sea turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), in selected areas of the U.S. West Coast Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). A summary of the comments can be found in the decision document: http://www.pcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/0410decisions.pdf.

### 2.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE FISHERIES

#### 2.1 California

#### 2.1.1 Commercial Fisheries

#### 2.1.1.1 Surface Hook-and-Line Fishery for Albacore

Albacore is an economically valuable fishery in California and has been a target of commercial fishermen for more than 100 years. Troll and bait boat(live bait) are the principal commercial gears, although some albacore is caught using purse seine, longline, and drift gillnet gear as well. The fishing season varies from year to year, depending on oceanographic conditions, which strongly influence the occurrence of fish within range of the California-based fleet, and economics. A typical season runs July through October, with landings peaking in the fall. A general resident or non-resident commercial fishing license and a current California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) vessel registration are required to catch and land albacore in the state of California. Additionally, the HMS FMP requires a federal permit with a surface hook-and-line gear endorsement for all U.S. commercial and recreational charter fishing vessels that fish for HMS within the West Coast exclusive economic zone (EEZ, 3–200 nautical miles) and for U.S. vessels that pursue HMS on the high seas (seaward of the EEZ) and land their catch in California, Oregon, or Washington.

In 2001, the last operational cannery in the Port of Los Angeles closed its doors, ending a West Coast tuna-canning dynasty. Changing global market conditions and a dynamic raw material/finished goods supply environment forced the plants to close. Without domestic-based cannery operations, a majority of the albacore are landed fresh or frozen, then exported to overseas markets for processing. This may partly explain the decline in participation since the 1980s, when the number of surface hook-and-line vessels landing albacore in California ports average annually slightly over 700, compared to an average of 231 in the period from 2001 to 2010.As with participation, landings and revenues from albacore have declined since the 1980s. For the period 1981-90 California landings averaged 4,135 mt annually and inflation adjusted revenue averaged \$11.6 million annually. Comparable figures for the 2001-10 period are 1,135 mt and \$2.3 million.

The recent decline in landings and revenues does not necessarily reflect a decline in the albacore population but more likely reflects a shift in fishing effort by California-based vessels into waters off Oregon and Washington where albacore have been more available due to favorable oceanographic conditions. Additionally, industry representatives have indicated that in recent years lower operating costs and better landing facilities outside of California have resulted in a decrease in California landings.

Albacore landings more than doubled in 2010, with 141 commercial surface hook-and-line vessels landing 710.7 mt of albacore, compared to 132 vessels that landed 349.4 mt in 2009 (Table 2–22). The volume and number of landings varied throughout ports in California. Forty-two percent of the 2010 landings were delivered to the Eureka area, with an additional thirty-eight percent split between Crescent City and the Los Angeles/Santa Barbara area. Nominal landings occurred January through June, peaked in September, then declined the rest of the year (Table 2–21). The ex-vessel revenue was \$1.7 million in 2010, an increase of around ninety percent compared to about \$0.91 million in 2009 (Table 2-21).

#### 2.1.1.2 Coastal Purse Seine Fishery for Yellowfin, Skipjack, and Bluefin Tunas

U.S. West Coast catch of yellowfin, skipjack, and bluefin tuna represents a relatively minor component of

overall EPO tuna catch. More than 90 percent of the catch for these species in the U.S. EEZ portion of the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO) is made by small coastal purse seine vessels operating in the Southern California Bight (SCB) from May to October. These vessels primarily target small pelagic species, especially Pacific mackerel, Pacific sardine, anchovy, and market squid. However, they will target the tropical yellowfin and skipjack tunas when intrusions of warm water from the south bring these species within range of the coastal purse seine fleet. Similarly, purse seine vessel operators will target the higher-valued temperate water bluefin tuna when they enter the coastal waters of the SCB. The number of purse seine vessels that have landed tuna in California averaged 197 annually 1981-90 but has subsequently declined substantially to an annual average of 11 in the 2001-2010 period.

The decline in the number of domestic vessels is correlated with the relocation of large cannery operations. Increased labor costs for domestic production has contributed to these facilities being moved overseas, where labor costs are less. Currently there are no canneries functioning as primary offloaders of tuna in California.

A general resident or non-resident commercial fishing license and a current CDFG vessel registration are required to catch and land tuna caught in purse seine gear. Additionally, the HMS FMP requires a logbook and federal permit with a purse seine gear endorsement for all U.S. vessels that fish for HMS within the West Coast EEZ and for U.S. vessels that pursue HMS on the high seas (seaward of the EEZ) and land their catch in California, Oregon, or Washington.

In 2009 six purse seine vessels made HMS landings in California. They landed 410.2 mt of bluefin tuna worth \$426,989 and 4.2 mt of skipjack tuna worth \$3,655. They also landed albacore tuna and yellowfin tuna (the amounts cannot be reported due to data confidentiality). These landings occurred May through October. All landings but one occurred in the Los Angeles area. On many trips these HMS were landed with Pacific bonito and/or chub mackerel. Landings in 2010 cannot be reported due to data confidentiality because less than three vessels made HMS landings.

#### 2.1.1.3 Harpoon Fishery for Swordfish

California's harpoon fishery for swordfish developed in the early 1900s. Prior to 1980, harpoon and hook-and-line were the only legal gears for commercially harvesting swordfish. At that time, harpoon gear accounted for the majority of swordfish landings in California ports. In the early 1980s, a limited entry drift gillnet fishery was authorized by the State Legislature and soon afterward drift gillnets replaced harpoons as the primary method for catching swordfish, and the number of harpoon permits decreased from a high of 1,223 in 1979 to a low of 25 in 2001.Fishing effort typically occurs in the SCB from May to December, peaking in August, depending on weather conditions and the availability of fish in coastal waters. Some vessel operators work in conjunction with a spotter airplane to increase the search area and to locate swordfish difficult to see from the vessel. This practice tends to increase the catch-per-unit-effort compared to vessels that do not use a spotter plane.

To participate in the harpoon fishery a state permit and logbook are required in addition to a general resident or non-resident commercial fishing license and a current CDFG vessel registration. Additionally, the HMS FMP requires a federal permit with a harpoon gear endorsement for all U.S. vessels that fish for HMS within the West Coast EEZ and for U.S. vessels that pursue HMS on the high seas (seaward of the EEZ) and land their catch in California, Oregon, or Washington.

		2009	)	2010			
		Landin	gs		Landing	gs	
Month	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	
July	46	9.3	\$101,152	6	0.8	\$10,180	
August	43	9.9	\$107,246	38	5.7	\$68,898	
September	75	16.9	\$143,415	27	5.2	\$57,951	
October	39	9.8	\$82,531	25	5.6	\$55,515	
Allothermonths	16	3.9	\$32,303	62	18.4	\$159,981	
Total	219	49.8	\$466,647	158	35.7	\$352,525	

Table 2-1. Monthly landings and ex-vessel revenue for swordfish landed in California by the harpoon fleet,2009-10

 Table 2-2. Annual commercial landings and ex-vessel revenue for swordfish landed in California port groups by the harpoon fleet, 2009-10.

	2009			2010			
	Landings			Landings			
Port Group	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	Mt	Revenue	
Los Angeles and ports north	125	28.5	\$267,407	107	24.6	\$246,236	
San Diego	94	21.2	\$199,239	51	11.1	\$106,289	
Total	219 49.7 \$466,646			158	35.7	\$352,525	

In 2010, 26 harpoon vessels landed 35.7mt of swordfish, declining from 49.7 mt in 2009, landed by28vessels (Tables 2-1 and 2–2). Fishing effort was concentrated in coastal waters off San Diego and Orange Counties in the SCB, especially from fishing blocks between the coast and Santa Catalina and San Clemente Islands.

The ex-vessel revenue for 2010 was \$352,525,about \$114 thousand less than in 2009(Tables 2-1 and 2–2). Because harpoon vessels spend less time on the water and are a low-volume fishery, their catch is often fresher than drift-gillnet-caught fish, so markets tend to pay more for harpooned fish. The average ex-vessel price-per-pound of landed weight for harpooned fish was \$6.99compared to \$4.25 for drift gillnet caught fish in 2010.

#### 2.1.1.4 Drift Gillnet Fishery for Swordfish and Shark

Initial development of the drift gillnet fishery in the late 1970s was founded on catches of common thresher shark. The thresher shark fishery rapidly expanded, with228 vessels landing more than 1,000 mt of shark in 1985. Following 1985, swordfish replaced thresher shark as the primary target species because there was a greater demand for swordfish and it commanded a higher price-per-pound. Annual thresher shark landings declined in subsequent years because of the switch to swordfish to maximize economic returns and the implementation of management measures to protect the thresher shark resource.

California's swordfish fishery transformed from primarily a harpoon fishery to a drift gillnet fishery in the early 1980s; landings soared to a historical high of 2,198 mt by 1985. The drift gillnet fishery is managed by a limited entry permit system, with mandatory gear standards and seasonal area closures used to address various conservation concerns. The permit is linked to an individual fisherman, not a vessel, and is only transferable under very restrictive conditions; thus the value of the vessel does not become

artificially inflated. To keep a permit active, current permittees are required to purchase a permit from one consecutive year to the next; however, they are not required to make landings using drift gillnet gear. In addition, a general resident or non-resident commercial fishing license and a current vessel registration are required to catch and land fish caught in drift gillnet gear. A logbook is also required. The HMS FMP requires a federal permit with a drift gillnet gear endorsement for all U.S. vessels that fish for HMS within the West Coast EEZ and for U.S. vessels that pursue HMS on the high seas (seaward of the EEZ) and land their catch in California, Oregon, or Washington. About 150 permits were initially issued when the limited entry program was established in 1980 and peaked at 251 permits in 1986 (Table 2-3).

Historically, the California drift gillnet fleet operated within EEZ waters adjacent to the state and as far north as the Columbia River, Oregon, during El Niño years. (However, Oregon no longer issues the necessary permit to land drift gillnet catch in the state.) Fishing activity is highly dependent on seasonal oceanographic conditions that create temperature fronts which concentrate feed for swordfish. Because of the seasonal migratory pattern of swordfish and seasonal fishing restrictions, over 90 percent of the fishing effort occurs from August 15 through January 31.

In 2001, NMFS implemented two Pacific sea turtle conservation areas on the West Coast with seasonal drift gillnet restrictions to protect endangered leatherback and loggerhead turtles. The larger of the two closures spans the EEZ north of Point Conception, California (34°27' N. latitude) to mid-Oregon (45° N. latitude) and west to 129° W. longitude. Drift gillnet fishing is prohibited annually within this conservation area from August 15 to November 15 to protect leatherbacks sea turtles. A smaller closure was implemented to protect Pacific loggerhead turtles from drift gillnet gear during a forecasted or occurring El Niño event, and is located south of Point Conception, California and west of 120° W. longitude from June 1 - August 31 (72 FR 31756). Since the closure was enacted the number of active participants in the drift gillnet fishery declined by nearly half, from 78 vessels in 2000 to 40 in 2004, and has remained under 50 vessels since then.

The number of permits has declined from more than 200 in the 1980s to less than 50 active vessels since 2003 (see Table 2-3). Annual fishing effort has also decreased from a high of 11,243 sets in the 1986 fishing season to 1,043 sets in 2005. Industry representatives attribute the decline in vessel participation and annual effort to regulations implemented to protect threatened and endangered marine mammals, sea turtles, and seabirds.

Year	Active <sup>1</sup> Vessels	Permits Issued	Year	Active <sup>1</sup> Vessels	Permits Issued
1980	100	*	1996	111	167
1981	118	*	1997	108	120
1982	166	*	1998	98	148
1983	193	*	1999	84	136
1984	214	226	2000	78	127
1985	228	229	2001	69	114
1986	204	251	2002	50	106
1987	185	218	2003	43	100
1988	154	207	2004	40	96
1989	144	189	2005	42	90
1990	134	183	2006	45	88
1991	114	165	2007	46	86
1992	119	149	2008	46	85
1993	123	117	2009	35	84
1994	138	162	2010	27	73
1995	117	185			

Table 2-3. Annual drift gillnet permits issued and number of active vessels, 1981–2010.

Source: CDFG License and Revenue Branch (LRB), extracted July 14, 2011.

Additional processing information:

<sup>1</sup>-some vessels only land thresher and/or swordfish from year to year, so the highest numbers of active vessels for both components of the fishery were reported for this gear.

\*-actual number of permits issued by LRB not available but the California State Legislature set a cap of 150 in 1982.

Table 2-4. Monthly commercial landings and ex-vessel revenue for swordfish landed in California by the large mesh drift gillnet fleet, 2009-10.

		)	2010					
		Landin	gs		Landings			
Month	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue		
January-August	22	16.7	\$69,969	28	20.6	\$126,325		
September	20	19.8	\$86,393	11	4	\$27,884		
October	32	29.6	\$129,673	19	4.5	\$34,096		
November	74	63.6	\$295,148	48	24.8	\$169,957		
December	81	121.2	\$495,354	9	5.2	\$34,617		
Total	229	250.9	\$1,076,537	115	59.1	\$392,879		

		)	2010				
		Landin	gs	Landings			
Port Group	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	
Monterey	7	8.7	\$37,070	5	8.4	\$57,854	
Morro Bay	32	44.3	\$198,288	14	19	\$123,243	
Santa Barbara	10	8.4	\$38,049	11	4.6	\$34,619	
Los Angeles	26	17.7	\$83,094	7	2.2	\$14,479	
San Diego	154	172	\$720,035	78	25	\$162,684	
Total	229	251	\$1,076,536	115	59.2	\$392,879	

 Table 2-5. Annual commercial landings and ex-vessel revenue for swordfish landed in California port groups by the large mesh drift gillnet fleet, 2009-10.

In 2010, 24 drift gillnet vessels landed 59 mt of swordfish compared to 32 vessels that landed 251 mt in 2009. Landings in 2010 were only a quarter of those in 2009. They were concentrated in San Diego, but occurred at ports from San Diego to Monterey (Table 2–4). The majority of 2010 landings occurred in November (Table 2-5).

Table 2-6.	Monthly	commercial	landings	and	ex-vessel	revenue	for	common	thresher	shark	landed	in
California b	y the larg	e mesh drift ş	gillnet flee	t, 200	09-10.							

		9	2010			
		Landir	ngs		Landir	ngs
Month	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue
January-April	69	17.7	\$37,726	75	10.6	\$19,635
May	13	1.5	\$3,825	18	2.9	\$5,930
June	75	10.4	\$15,598	78	9.4	\$14,399
July	68	9.7	\$16,029	58	5.1	\$8,845
August	65	9.4	\$17,748	37	4.1	\$5,958
September	34	2.5	\$4,207	37	5.5	\$11,326
October	19	1.9	\$3,238	22	3.3	\$6,398
November	47	14	\$21,620	26	14.6	\$18,677
December	56	13.5	\$21,608	17	12.4	\$9,588
Total	446	80.6	\$141,599	368	67.9	\$100,756

Thresher shark landings declined fifteen percent from 2009 landings to 67.9 mt. Like swordfish, the highest landings were in November (Table 2-6), but were concentrated in Santa Barbara (Table 2-7).

	2009			2010			
	Landings			Landings			
	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	
Monterey & Morro Bay	13	5.3	\$8,145	22	12.9	\$14,578	
Santa Barbara	251	35.2	\$57,917	203	22.8	\$34,726	
Los Angeles	37	9.9	\$13,989	42	9.3	\$11,544	
San Diego	145	30.1	\$61,547	101	22.9	\$39,908	
Total	446	80.5	\$141,598	368	67.9	\$100,756	

 Table 2-7.
 Annual commercial landings and ex-vessel revenue for common thresher shark landed in

 California port groups by the large mesh drift gillnet fleet, 2009-10.

#### 2.1.1.5 High Seas Longline Fishery for Swordfish

California prohibits pelagic longline fishing within the EEZ and the retention of striped marlin. Vessels operating outside of the EEZ can land fish in California ports if the operator has a general resident or non-resident commercial fishing license and a current CDFG vessel registration. The operator must comply with the High Seas Fishing Compliance Act, which requires U.S. vessel operators to maintain logbooks if they fish beyond the EEZ. Additionally, the HMS FMP requires a federal permit with a pelagic longline gear endorsement for all U.S. vessels that pursue HMS on the high seas (seaward of the EEZ) and land their catch in California, Oregon, or Washington.

With implementation of the HMS FMP in 2004, federal regulations were promulgated to protect endangered sea turtles east and west of 150° W longitude and north of the equator, prohibiting shallow-set longline fishing to target swordfish. As result, vessels permitted under the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's Pelagics FMP may use shallow-set longline gear to target swordfish, and may land their catch on the West Coast. Targeting tunas with deep-set longline gear is permitted outside the EEZ under the HMS FMP. These measures have impacted the number of landings of swordfish in California ports in the 2000s.

#### 2.1.2 Recreational Fisheries

Recreational anglers in California take the entire suite of management unit species (MUS) included within the HMS FMP using rod-and-reel gear almost exclusively; a nominal amount of fish, primarily tunas and dorado, are taken by free divers using spear guns. Fishing occurs in the EEZ waters of the U.S. as well as Mexico aboard commercial passenger fishing vessels (CPFVs) and private boats. A fishing season is dependent on oceanographic conditions, which strongly influence the availability of fish within range of the California-based fleet; a typical season begins in late spring and runs through fall. Anglers 16 years and older must have a resident or non-resident annual or short-term recreational fishing license to catch and land any ocean fish in California, and an Ocean Enhancement Stamp is required if fishing within ocean waters south of Point Arguello, Southern California. California does not have size or slot limit restrictions but it does have daily possession limits for some of the MUS (Table 2–8).

Species	1-Fish	2-fish	10-fish <sup>2</sup>	25-fish	No limit <sup>1</sup>
Tunas					
Albacore <sup>3</sup>			Х	Х	
Bigeye			Х		
Bluefin <sup>3</sup>			Х		
Skipjack					Х
Yellowfin			Х		
Billfishes					
Striped Marlin	Х				
Swordfish		Х			
Sharks					
Blue		Х			
Common Thresher		Х			
Mako		Х			
Other Fish					
Dorado			Х		

Table 2-8. California's recreational daily possession limits for highly migratory MUS included within the fishery management plan.

<sup>1</sup>-In general, no more than 20 finfish in combination of all species, with not more than 10 of any one species, may be taken or possessed by any one person, unless otherwise authorized, e.g. skipjack tunas (CCR, Title 14, 27.60). <sup>2</sup>-California authorizes boat limits for two or more persons that are licensed to fish in ocean waters off California (CCR, Title

 $^{2}$ -California authorizes boat limits for two or more persons that are licensed to fish in ocean waters off California (CCR, Title 14,Section 27.60). This authorization does not apply to fishing trips originating in California where fish are taken in other jurisdictions.

<sup>3</sup>- Prior to November 2008, these species had no limit; however, since then new regulations have become effective: albacore south of Point Conception – 10 fish, albacore north of Point Conception – 25 fish; bluefin tuna - 10 fish statewide. These limits are in addition to the general 20 fish bag limit.

Vessel operators that charge a fee to passengers to sport fish from any vessel must have a CPFV license and a current CDFG vessel registration, and the operator must submit a monthly log of their fishing activity. Additionally, the HMS FMP requires a federal permit with a recreational gear endorsement for all U.S. CPFVs that fish for HMS within the West Coast EEZ and that pursue HMS on the high seas and land their catch in California, Oregon, and Washington.

Fishery statistics are available from both PSMFC, through their Recreational Fisheries Information Network (RecFIN) website,<sup>3</sup> and the CDFG CPFV logbook program. The RecFIN provides estimates based on field sampling of catch and a telephone survey for effort—California data is provided by the California Recreational Fisheries Survey (CRFS) program—while the state's logbook program provides a record of fishing activity for most CPFVs. The fact that catches of highly migratory MUS constitute a relatively rare event is why logbooks are preferred over CRFS in determining the catch of these species by anglers fishing from CPFVs. Logbooks also have the advantage of supplying catch information on MUS taken in Mexico. However, CRFS data are the best available for making catch estimates of anglers fishing from private boats.

With the exception of sharks, most HMS MUS are caught by anglers fishing from CPFVs in the Mexican EEZ (Table 4–63). However, for some species the entire reported catch for the fleet comes from California (U.S. waters).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>www.psmfc.org/recfin

Table 2-9. Annual number of highly migratory MUS kept and thrown back by recreational anglers fishing from California commercial passenger fishing vessels (CPFV) in U.S. EEZ waters , 2009–2010.

		2009 nber of Fish	Nun (kept)	2010 Number of Fish		
Species	(kept)	(kept) (thrown back <sup>1</sup> )		(thrown back <sup>1</sup> )		
Tunas						
Albacore	4,783	236	5,865	12		
Bigeye	0	0	0	0		
Bluefin	2,819	6	439	21		
Skipjack	1,899	374	7	1		
Yellowfin	9,499	1,525	3,072	1,688		
Billfishes						
Striped Marlin	4	4	0	0		
Swordfish	0	0	0	0		
Sharks						
Blue	0	0	0	0		
Common Thresher	39	17	68	42		
Shortfin Mako	43	304	32	225		
Other Fish						
Dorado	1,942	240	178	206		
Total	21,028	2,706	9,661	2,195		

Source: California's Commercial Fisheries Information System (CFIS), CPFV logbook data, extracted July1, 2011. Additional Processing Information:

<sup>1</sup>-The condition (live or dead) of fish thrown back fish is not available; includes "lost to seals."

Table 2-10. Estimated number of highly migratory MUS kept and thrown back alive by recreational anglers
fishing from California private vessels in U.S. EEZ waters, 2009–2010.

	N	2010 Number of Fish				
Species	(kept <sup>1</sup> )	(reported dead <sup>2</sup> )	(released alive <sup>2</sup> )	(kept <sup>1</sup> )	(reported dead <sup>2</sup> )	(released alive <sup>2</sup> )
Tunas						
Albacore	7,970	6,272	33	8,636	1,022	32
Bigeye	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bluefin	142	68	7	20	0	0
Skipjack	244	236	1639	0	0	0
Yellowfin	1,346	5,259	242	27	170	0
Billfishes						
Striped Marlin	7	0	51	9	0	125
Swordfish	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sharks						
Blue	17	51	1431	0	8	900
Common Thresher	800	284	700	430	278	982
Shortfin Mako	332	246	924	27	263	436
Other Fish						
Dorado	630	1,795	319	46	0	0
Total	11,488	14,211	5,346	9,195	1,741	2,475

Source: Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, Recreational Fisheries Information System, California Recreational Fisheries Survey data, extracted July 15, 2011.

Additional Processing Information:

<sup>1</sup>-Examined by sampler.<sup>2</sup>-The angler reported the fish as dead or thrown back alive after capture.

Except for CRFS-sampled albacore (but not angler-reported-only) and CPFV reported albacore and thresher shark, catches of HMS MUS in the US EEZ declined in 2010 from 2009 levels, markedly so for CPFV vessels. In 2010, approximately 115 CPFVs logged 524days at-sea within the U.S. EEZ compared to 145 CPFVs that logged 775 days at-sea in 2009. The total number of MUS kept by CPFV anglers decreased from 21,086 fish in 2009 to 9,661 fish in 2010 (Table 2–17); the number of most MUS caught declined except for albacore and common thresher shark. Tunas made up about 94 percent of CPFV vessel catch and 73 percent of the numbers of MUS caught by private/rental boats. Total numbers of sharks released were greater than those kept for both CPFV and private/rental boats.

#### 2.1.3 Highly Migratory Species Taken in Non-HMS Fisheries in California

In California, HMS MUS are occasionally taken by fisheries targeting other species (Table 2-11). In 2009, about 100 kg of albacore were taken incidentally with groundfish trolling for sablefish and rockfish, and about 400 kg were taken incidentally with coastal pelagic species. An unreportable amount of thresher shark was taken incidentally to trawling in trawl and seine gear. However, 17.2 mt was taken in set gillnet, as were 1.4 mt of mako shark, and small amounts of bluefin tuna and swordfish, unreportable due to data confidentiality. Although the amount of thresher shark taken in set gill net gear is significant, they are caught incidentally to fisheries for California halibut and white seabass, which command a much higher ex-vessel price; set gill net is not subject to the restrictions on HMS that small mesh drift gill net is. Both thresher shark and albacore were also taken in coastal pelagic species (CPS) purse seines; however, less than three vessels landed both species, and landings could not be reported because of federal data confidentiality rules.

	Seine	Trawl	Set Gillnet
Blue Shark			*
Thresher Shark	*	*	17.2
Mako Shark			1.4
Bluefin Tuna			*
Swordfish			*

#### Table 2-11. Landings (mt) of HMS Species in non-HMS gears in California, 2010.

\*-Withheld for data confidentiality reasons.

Source: Pacific Fisheries Information Network (PacFIN), extracted

#### Highly Migratory Species Fisheries in California, 2009-10

Landings for nearly all commercial and recreationally caught HMS species except for albacore were characterized by declines in landings. While much of 2009 was an El Niño year, cooler La Niña conditions prevailed in the latter part of 2010, possibly affecting availability of HMS species.

#### 2.2 Oregon

#### 2.2.1 Commercial Fisheries

#### 2.2.1.1 Surface Hook-and-Line Fishery for Albacore

Albacore has been fished commercially off of Oregon since the mid-1930s when the fishery expanded north from the traditional grounds off southern California. For many years, both bait boats and jig boats fished for albacore off Oregon, but in recent years, predominantly jig-caught (troll-caught) fish have been

landed. The current fleet consists primarily of small to medium (20 ft to 60 ft) "combination" boats, which may fish crab, salmon, or bottom fish at other times of the year, and large freezer boats (most longer than 60 ft) that travel the north and south Pacific, principally fishing albacore.

Oregon albacore landings have been highly variable through the years, ranging from a low of 12.3 mt in 1936 to a high of over 17,000 mt in 1968. Since 1981, when PacFIN records begin, albacore landings in Oregon have generally increased. Average annual landings and inflation adjusted revenue were 1,272 mt and slightly less than \$3.8 million during 1981-1990, compared to 4,077 mt and \$9.2 million during 2001-2010. The average number of surface hook-and-line vessels making albacore landings in albacore increased from 241 vessels per year during 1981-1990, to 388 vessels during 2001-2010.

Sampling of Oregon's commercial albacore fishery is a cooperative effort between the ODFW, NMFS, and the PSMFC.

#### 2.2.1.2 Drift Gillnet Fishery for Swordfish and Shark

The Oregon commercial DGN fishery historically existed as an extension of the California fishery. In Oregon, the DGN fishery for swordfish had been managed under the Developmental Fisheries Program, which authorized up to ten annual permits to fish for swordfish with DGN gear. For the past several years, the fishery was inactive and no one applied for permits. As part of a substantial reduction in the Developmental Fisheries Program, the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission removed swordfish from the program, beginning in 2009. Consequently, state permits to fish with DGN gear off Oregon are no longer allowed.

#### 2.2.2 Recreational Fisheries

Recreational anglers fishing from private vessels and from CPFVs) target albacore and only occasionally take other HMS species, such as blue sharks. They fish almost exclusively with rod and reel gear, and success is highly dependent upon the distance from port to the fish, weather and ocean conditions, and fuel prices. Albacore typically begin to show up within range of the Oregon recreational fishery in mid to late June, and are available through late September or early October in most years. Albacore fishing tournaments, usually to benefit a charity, began in 2005 but have been limited due to poor weather or ocean conditions.

Anglers 14 and older must have a recreational license to catch and land fish in Oregon. Albacore and other HMS MUS are included in a daily catch limit of 25 fish in the aggregate for offshore pelagic species, which includes all tunas, mackerels, swordfish, billfish, jacks, opah, dorado, Pacific pomfret and all sharks, except leopard shark, spiny dogfish, white shark, soupfin shark and basking shark. The possession limit is two daily catch limits (50 fish, with 25 fish caught on each of 2 days).

Vessel operators that charge a fee to passengers to sport fish from any vessel must have a license issued by the Oregon Marine Board. Additionally, the HMS FMP requires a federal permit with a recreational gear endorsement for all U.S. CPFVs that fish for HMS within the West Coast EEZ and that pursue HMS on the high seas and land their catch in California, Oregon, and Washington.

Statistics for the recreational fisheries, including private, CPFV, and tournament fisheries, are available from the ODFW Ocean Recreational Boat Survey Program. RecFIN estimates of recreational fishery statistics are also available from PSMFC. Statistics for the CPFV fishery are also available from the federal charter logbook program.

#### 2.2.3 Highly Migratory Species Taken in Non-HMS Fisheries in Oregon

In Oregon, most Highly Migratory Species (MUS) are rarely landed by gears targeting other species. During 2010, less than 1 mt of these HMS species, consisting of small amounts of blue shark and thresher shark species, were landed by non-HMS fisheries (Table 2-12). In total, six vessels, using either setline or midwater trawl gear, landed 0.08 mt of blue shark and 0.49 mt of thresher sharks.

Species	Bottom Longline and Midwater Trawl Gears
Blue Shark	0.08
Thresher Shark	0.49
Total	0.57

Table 2-12. Landings (mt) of HMS Species with non-HMS gear in Oregon, 2010.

Data source: PacFIN fish ticket landings data, extracted August 2011.

#### 2.2.4 Highly Migratory Species Fisheries in Oregon, 2008-10

#### 2.2.4.1 Surface Hook and Line Fishery for Albacore, 2008-2010

Participation in the 2010 fishery was the same as in 2009. A total of 419 vessels made at least one landing of albacore into Oregon ports during the 2010 season. The number of landings was similar, slightly more than 1,300 each year, although the amount of albacore landed was approximately 6 percent higher in 2010 than 2009.

The 2010 Oregon albacore season began with a small landing in late June. The main fishery began in early July and continued through early October. Landings peaked during the third week of August. Rough ocean conditions throughout most of July and early September caused two brief declines in landings. Sea surface temperatures were much cooler in 2010 than previous years, as illustrated at <a href="http://coastwatch.pfel.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/elnino.cgi">http://coastwatch.pfel.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/elnino.cgi</a>. Despite these poor weather and fishing conditions, strong markets and good prices for brine and blast frozen fish spurred fishing later into the year. Ten percent of the 2010 total was landed during October through December, about twice as high as in 2009 (Table 2-22).

Astoria was the top Oregon port in 2010, with 41 percent of the total albacore catch in 2010 followed by Newport with 39 percent, and Charleston with 17 percent. Nine other ports also received deliveries in 2010, accounting for about3 percent of the total catch (Table 2-23).

Port	2008	2009	2010
Astoria	1213.8	1184.4	1994.7
Garibaldi	103.7	97.5	98.9
Pacific City	3.5	4.5	2.6
Depoe Bay	1.6	2.9	6.6
Newport	1469.0	2297.7	1875.6
Florence	11.5	9.1	11.2
Winchester Bay	61.0	40.1	27.5
Charleston	1140.0	922.1	812.0
Bandon	1.4	1.3	-
Port Orford	3.4	12.1	6.6
Gold Beach	0.8	5.8	2.0
Brookings	16.4	20.3	14.7
Smaller Ports	0.0	1.0	1.2
Total	4026.2	4598.8	4853.6

 Table 2-13. Oregon commercial albacore landings (mt) by port, 2008-2010.

Data source: ODFW fish ticket landings data.

The ex-vessel value of the 2010 fishery was the highest on record (Tables 4-40 and 4-41), nearly \$12.4 million, and 22 percent more than 2009 (Table 2-22). The average price per pound for albacore was \$1.16 per pound, the second highest price on record. This is up \$.15 per pound from 2009. Markets for blast frozen albacore started off extremely strong, with buyers paying up to \$1.55 per pound for top quality, super-cold fish. Prices dipped slightly in late July and early August, but recovered by September and finished the season with many dealers paying a record \$1.60 per pound. Brine markets started off strong with prices in July ranging from \$.90 to \$1.00 per pound. Continued foreign demand pushed prices up throughout the season to finish between \$1.15 and \$1.25 per pound. Similarly, fresh, iced prices at the beginning of the season ranged from \$.85 to \$1.00 per pound, and increased to finish at \$1.25 per pound. Demand and prices for fresh fish at alternative, smaller markets were strong throughout the 2010 season in all Oregon ports, with prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$1.75 per pound. In recent years, more fishers are marketing their catches directly from their vessels to the public to improve the value of their albacore. Their prices ranged from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per pound.

#### 2.2.4.2 Recreational Fisheries for Albacore, 2008-2010

The2010 recreational albacore fishery landed an estimated 37,721 albacore (343 mt) in Oregon, the third highest in history, but 10 percent less than in 2009. The fishery began in late June and continued into the first week of October. Most of the recreational albacore effort and catch (charter and private vessels combined) came from the ports of Newport, Garibaldi, Charleston and Depoe Bay. Ports on the north coast (Astoria, Garibaldi and Pacific City) saw a surge in private and charter catch and effort for albacore, whereas catch and effort decreased in southern ports (Tables 2-14, 2-15, and 2-16).

Recreational fishing opportunity and success are highly influenced by distances to the fish, as well as weather and ocean conditions. In 2010, typical northeast Pacific weather conditions with strong northerly winds kept a large mass of cool water off Oregon for much of the season and access to albacore was mainly limited to areas outside of 30-50 miles offshore. Weather through most of July was extremely rough and limited sport fishing opportunities to only several days before calmer weather in August and September.

Recreational fishing effort for albacore was less in 2010 than in 2009. Directed charter fishing effort for albacore totaled 2,475 angler trips in 2010, 8 percent less than in 2009, although Astoria and Garibaldi set records for the number of charter angler trips for albacore in 2010. Directed private albacore trips totaled 8,902angler trips, 16 percent less than in 2009. Garibaldi, Pacific City and Newport set records for the number of private angler trips for albacore in 2010 (Table 2-14).

Trends in recreational catch were similar to effort. Directed charter catch for albacore totaled 6,801 fish in 2010, 20 percent less than in 2009. The Astoria and Garibaldi charter fleets set records for the number of albacore landed in 2010 with 1,294 and 651 fish, respectively. Directed private albacore catch totaled 30,920 fish in 2010, 8 percent less than in 2009. The Garibaldi sport fleet set a record for the number of albacore landed in 2010 with 10,309 fish (Tables 2-15).

Private vessel catch-per-unit of effort CPUE in 2010 (3.5 albacore per angler) was more than 20 percent less than in 2009 (4.4 albacore per angler). Charter vessel CPUE in 2010 was identical to 2009 (3.2 albacore per angler) (Table2-16).

Port	Charter				Private		Combined		
	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
Astoria	390	330	399	422	59	242	812	389	641
Garibaldi	164	117	212	960	1,059	2,535	1,124	1,176	2,747
Pacific City	5	1	8	35	92	246	40	93	254
Depoe Bay	245	432	595	743	694	1,067	988	1,126	1,662
Newport	1,089	1,260	970	1,475	1,991	2,959	2,564	3,251	3,929
Florence	0	0	NS	67	15	16	67	15	16
Winchester Bay	0	12	0	231	370	177	231	382	177
Coos Bay	109	240	142	960	2,962	1,526	1,069	3,202	1,668
Bandon	107	222	149	0	239	19	107	461	168
Gold Beach	0	48	0	0	28	0	0	76	0
Brookings	14	20	0	85	166	115	99	186	115
Total	2,123	2,682	2,475	4,978	7,675	8,902	7,101	10,357	11,377
Private boat (%)							70%	74%	78%

Table 2-14.Oregon albacore fishing effort (angler trips) for charter and private boats by year and port,2008-2010.

Data Source: ODFW Ocean Recreational Boat Survey. NS = no sampling in port.

Port		Charter			Private		Combined		
	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
Astoria	1,167	1,016	1,294	1,809	247	344	2,976	1,263	1,638
Garibaldi	440	322	651	3,993	4,119	10,309	4,433	4,441	10,960
Pacific City	98	4	20	314	767	1,468	412	771	1,488
Depoe Bay	670	942	1,552	2,666	3,458	3,477	3,336	4,400	5,029
Newport	3,126	3,419	2,364	6,267	10,887	9,911	9,393	14,306	12,275
Florence	0	0	0	287	41	32	287	41	32
Winchester Bay	0	31	0	460	969	547	460	1,000	547
Coos Bay	269	850	410	2,153	12,036	4,617	2,422	12,886	5,027
Bandon	333	1,727	510	0	813	28	333	2,540	538
Gold Beach	0	161	0	0	21	0	0	182	0
Brookings	81	41	0	136	184	187	217	225	187
Total	6,184	8,513	6,801	18,085	33,542	30,920	24,269	42,055	37,721
Private boat (%)							75%	80%	82%

Table 2-15.	Oregon albacore cate	h (number of fish	) for charter an	nd private boats by	year and port, 2008-
2010.					

Data Source: ODFW Ocean Recreational Boat Survey.

Table 2-16. Oregon albacore catch per unit of effort (number of fish/angler trip), for charter and private boats by year, by port, 2008-2010.

Port		Charter			Private		Combined		
	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
Astoria	3.0	3.1	3.2	4.3	4.2	1.4	3.7	3.2	2.6
Garibaldi	2.7	2.8	3.1	4.2	3.9	4.1	3.9	3.8	4.0
Pacific City	19.6	4.0	2.5	9.0	8.3	6.0	10.3	8.3	5.9
Depoe Bay	2.7	2.2	2.6	3.6	5.0	3.3	3.4	3.9	3.0
Newport	2.9	2.7	2.4	4.2	5.5	3.3	3.7	4.4	3.1
Florence	-	-	-	4.3	2.7	2.0	4.3	2.7	2.0
Winchester Bay	-	2.6	-	2.0	2.6	3.1	2.0	2.6	3.1
Coos Bay	2.5	3.5	2.9	2.2	4.1	3.0	2.3	4.0	3.0
Bandon	3.1	7.8	3.4	-	3.4	1.5	3.1	5.5	3.2
Gold Beach	-	3.4	-	-	0.8	-	-	2.4	-
Brookings	5.8	2.1	-	1.6	1.1	1.6	2.2	1.2	1.6
Overall	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.6	4.4	3.5	3.4	4.1	3.3

Data Source: ODFW Ocean Recreational Boat Survey.

#### 2.3 Washington

#### 2.3.1 Commercial Fisheries

The commercial and recreational highly migratory species fisheries off the Washington coast are primarily for albacore tuna, although there are occasional smaller landings of thresher shark and blue shark. While there is not a fixed season, albacore fisheries generally begin in early to mid-July and continue until the tuna are no longer accessible off the Washington coast, usually around late September.

The albacore fisheries off Washington include commercial troll, bait boats, charter boats, and recreational fishing boats. There is no state commercial fishing license requirement for albacore tuna in Washington; however, a delivery permit is required to land commercially caught albacore into Washington. If fishers do not already have a fishing permit, which includes a delivery permit, fishers will need to purchase a

#### delivery permit from the state.

Ilwaco and Westport are the two Washington ports with the highest HMS landings of albacore from the commercial surface hook-and-line fishery and account for more than 90 percent of the annual landings into the state. Several other ports along the coast and in Puget Sound receive albacore landings as well.<sup>4</sup> Landings at these ports vary and are a direct reflection of market conditions. Many vessels, particularly in Westport, sell their product directly to the public off the dock rather than to fish buyers for processing.

In recent years, large amounts of albacore tuna have been landed into Washington, and in general, the tuna fishery has remained stable since the early 1990s. Variability in tuna landings has likely been an indication of changes in availability of tuna, rather than effort, as the number of participating vessels and the effort expended has been fairly consistent.

As provided for under the U.S.–Canada albacore treaty, some Washington ports also receive albacore landings from Canadian vessels (Table 2-17). Canadian landings into the state rebounded slightly in 2008 and 2009, but were still less than 2004 levels. Anecdotal evidence suggests this drop was attributable to new rules implemented by U.S. Customs and Border Protection under the U.S. Trade Act of 2002, rather than to any shift in Canadian catch or effort.

	U.S. Ve	essels	Canadian	Vessels	Total		
	Mt	\$	mt	\$	Mt	\$	
1995	3,337.12	5,868,111	16.27	32,047	3,353.40	5,900,159	
1996	4,936.37	8,962,593	6.20	10,833	4,942.57	8,973,426	
1997	3,662.89	6,570,385	77.74	137,757	3,740.62	6,708,141	
1998	6,473.15	8,441,892	138.18	137,965	6,611.33	8,579,856	
1999	1,894.54	3,312,925	180.14	316,084	2,074.68	3,629,009	
2000	3,080.74	5,604,227	134.98	262,902	3,215.73	5,867,130	
2001	3,828.67	7,270,632	320.03	647,970	4,148.70	7,918,602	
2002	4,721.31	6,444,736	626.34	930,085	5,347.66	7,374,821	
2003	7,988.26	11,352,266	2,779.20	4,255,436	10,767.47	15,607,702	
2004	7,426.79	13,437,940	875.84	2,367,778	8,302.63	15,805,718	
2005	4,514.74	9,784,195	365.31	1,006,528	4,880.04	10,790,723	
2006	8,568.03	14,804,508	164.46	355,611	8,732.49	15,160,119	
2007	5,879.77	10,244,909	75.00	168,055	5,954.77	10,412,964	
2008	6,340.71	16,065,465	384.33	1,159,756	6,725.04	17,225,221	
2009	6,904.37	15,346,582	435.10	1,078,547	7,339.46	16,425,128	
2010	5,838.86	14,077,026	420.00	1,281,206	6,258.85	15,358,232	

Table 2-17. U.S. and Canadian albacore landings into Washington, 1995–2010.

Data source: WDFW fish ticket landings data, extracted August 2011

Note: U.S. landings include landings by tribal fishers and landings of albacore caught by U.S. vessels in Canadian waters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In Washington, port of landing is not directly recorded on the marine fish receiving ticket and so must be indirectly assigned based on the address of the fish dealer or buyer. Therefore some landings may be wrongly attributed.

#### 2.3.2 Recreational Fisheries

The recreational albacore fishery in Washington experienced a substantial increase in effort and catch in 2010 over levels that occurred in 2008 and 2009 (Table 2-18and 2-19). The coast-wide increases in effort in 2010 were42 percent and 43 percent, compared with 2008 and 2009 levels, respectively. Meanwhile, catch increased by 46 percent and 27 percent, compared with 2008 and 2009 levels, respectively. The most notable changes occurred in the Westport fishery private boat effort and catch, which were more than two times the 2009 levels. Total catch per unit of effort was relatively stable for private boats between2008and 2009 when compared to 2010 and increased by 10 percent in the aggregate, from 4.0 to 4.4 fish per trip (Table 2-20). Conversely, CPUE in the charter fleet in 2010 was more similar to 2008 (9.0 in 2010 versus 9.2 in 2008) and was only 85 percent of the CPUE in 2009 (10.6).

	Charter			Private			Combined		
Port Area	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
North Coast	63	48	92	165	194	285	228	242	377
Westport	919	1,013	1,337	635	550	1,118	1,554	1,563	2,455
Ilwaco	516	568	696	1,130	1,082	1,386	1,646	1,650	2,082
Total	1,498	1,629	2,125	1,930	1,826	2,789	3,428	3,455	4,914
Private boat (%)		_	_	_	_	_	56.30%	52.85%	56.76%

 Table 2-18. Washington albacore fishing effort (angler trips) for charter and private boats by year and port area, 2008–2010.

Data source: WDFW Ocean Sampling Program, extracted May 2011.

Table 2-19.	Washington albacore catch (number of fish) for charter and private boats by year and port area,
2008-2010.	

	Charter			Private			Combined		
Port Area	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
North Coast	240	406	505	474	1,158	1,922	714	1,564	2,427
Westport	10,981	12,978	15,160	2,439	2,134	4,983	13,420	15,112	20,143
Ilwaco	2,575	3,887	3,480	4,818	4,044	5,445	7,393	7,931	8,925
Total	13,796	17,271	19,145	7,731	7,336	12,350	21,527	24,607	31,495
Private boat (%)	_					_	35.91%	29.81%	39.21%

Data source: WDFW Ocean Sampling Program, extracted May 2011.

		Charter		Private			Combined		
Port Area	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
North Coast	3.8	8.5	5.5	2.9	6.0	6.7	3.1	6.5	6.4
Westport	11.9	12.8	11.3	3.8	3.9	4.5	8.6	9.7	8.2
Ilwaco	5.0	6.8	5.0	4.3	3.7	3.9	4.5	4.8	4.3
Total	9.2	10.6	9.0	4.0	4.0	4.4	6.3	7.1	6.4

 Table 2-20. Washington albacore catch per unit of effort (number of fish/angler trip) for charter and private boats by year and port, 2008–2010.

Data source: WDFW Ocean Sampling Program, extracted May 2010.

Beginning in 2005, a mandatory charter boat tuna logbook program was implemented to provide additional information on location and effort in the charter albacore fishery. Average catch per angler as reported in logbooks was 12.0 in 2005, then increased to 12.8 in 2006 and 2007 and declined in both 2009 and 2010 to 11.6 and 11.2, respectively (Table 2-21). The average weight (pounds) per tuna caught and reported in the logbooks was 19.1 in 2005, and subsequently decreased to 16.1 in 2006, increased to 19.8 in 2007 and decreased to 18.2 in both 2008 and 2009 and increased to 19.6 in 2010.

Table 2-21. Washington albacore catch per unit of effort (number of fish/angler trip) and average weight
(pounds) per tuna caught by year as reported in charter logbook program, 2005–2010.

Year	Average CPUE	Average Weight per Albacore (pounds)
2005	12.0	19.1
2006	12.8	16.1
2007	12.8	19.8
2008	12.1	18.2
2009	11.6	18.2
2010	11.2	19.6

#### 2.4 State-level Summaries for the Albacore Surface Hook-and-line Fishery

Section 2.4 includes state-level tables of commercial landings and ex-vessel revenues for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fleet for 2009-2010, broken out by months when landings occurred (Table 2-22) and by port (Table 2-23). Additionally, Table2-24summarizes average price per pound by months when landings occurred.

		2009									
		Cali	forn	ia	Oregon			Washington			
Month	No	. n	nt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	
Jan-Jul		73 5	6.6	\$139,479	488	1621.1	\$3,582,994	220	1686.9	\$3,615,546	
August	1	59 13	3.6	\$324,038	677	1917.9	\$4,053,189	407	2,762.2	\$5,918,893	
September	1	35	76	\$238,675	297	819.8	\$2,007,621	317	2,371.5	\$5,622,979	
Oct-Dec		57 8	3.2	\$209,947	39	214.9	\$546,858	50	519	\$1,268,575	
Total	4	24 34	9.4	\$912,139	1501	4,573.7	\$10,190,662	994	7,339.6	\$16,425,993	
						20	10				
		Cali	forn	ia	Oregon			Washington			
Month	No.	mt	F	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	
Jan-Jul	19	6.5		\$19,606	350	1482.3	\$3,809,220	201	1507.4	\$3,791,638	
August	82	27.4		\$78,039	654	1,836.7	\$4,603,478	312	1,927.5	\$4,573,585	
September	174	190.3		\$499,648	350	1048	\$2,761,919	272	2,511.9	\$6,151,725	
Oct-Dec	119	486.7		\$1,117,707	103	486.6	\$1,247,792	46	311.3	\$839,021	
Total	394	710.9		\$1,715,000	1457	4,853.6	\$12,422,409	831	6,258.1	\$15,355,969	

Table 2-22. Monthly commercial landings and ex-vessel revenue for albacore by the surface hook-and-line fleet, by state, 2009-10.

 Table 2-23.
 Annual commercial landings and ex-vessel revenue for albacore tuna landed in port groups by the surface hook-and-line fleet, by state, 2009-10.

		200	)9	2010 Landings			
Port Group		Land	ings				
Washington	No.	mt	Revenue	No.	mt	Revenue	
North Puget Sound Ports	22	175.8	\$440,813	24	238.8	\$708,009	
South Puget Sound Ports	10	11.5	\$27,650	8	32.7	\$73,158	
Washington Coastal Ports	583	4,189.9	\$9,165,697	434	3,347.3	\$7,491,438	
Columbia River And Other Ports	379	2,962.3	\$6,791,834	365	2,639.3	\$7,083,365	
Washington Subtotal	994	7,339.5	\$16,425,994	831	6,258.1	\$15,355,970	
Oregon							
Columbia River Ports (Oregon)	210	1,210.6	\$2,740,685	237	1,994.7	\$5,420,715	
Tillamook Area Ports	125	102.0	\$216,000	175	101.5	\$233,373	
Newport Area Ports	636	2,275.5	\$5,071,943	685	1,882.9	\$4,566,760	
Coos Bay Area Ports	483	947.5	\$2,067,566	334	839.0	\$2,114,167	
Brookings Area Ports	47	38.2	\$94,467	26	35.5	\$87,393	
Oregon Subtotal	1501	4,573.8	\$10,190,661	1457	4,853.6	\$12,422,408	
California							
Crescent City Area Ports	77	99.7	\$212,326	55	135.1	\$300,545	
Eureka Area Ports	125	109.0	\$307,361	140	301.7	\$735,687	
Fort Bragg Area Ports	35	11.9	\$51,527	45	72.6	\$196,441	
Bodega Bay Area Ports	10	8.2	\$18,489	8	8.6	\$21,250	
San Francisco Area Ports	53	20.0	\$72,944	23	13.1	\$44,428	
Monterey Area Ports	55	37.1	\$93,353	37	26.1	\$68,142	
Morro Bay Area Ports	31	7.0	\$19,151	60	15.9	\$38,474	
Santa Barbara And Los Angeles Area Ports	17	50.8	\$121,119	17	133.3	\$295,188	
San Diego Area Ports	21	5.7	\$15,868	9	4.3	\$14,847	
California Subtotal	424	349.4	\$912,138	394	710.7	\$1,715,002	
Coastwide Total	2,919	12,262.7	\$27,528,793	2,682	11,822.4	\$29,493,380	

		2009			2010	
Month	California	Oregon	Washington	California	Oregon	Washington
July	\$1.14	\$1.00	\$0.97	\$1.38	\$1.17	\$1.14
August	\$1.10	\$0.96	\$0.97	\$1.29	\$1.14	\$1.08
September	\$1.42	\$1.11	\$1.08	\$1.19	\$1.20	\$1.11
October	\$1.12	\$1.16	\$1.13	\$1.04	\$1.16	\$1.22

 Table 2-24. Average price per pound for albacore landed in California, Oregon, and Washington, by month, 2009-10. (Some months with landings are excluded for data confidentiality.)

# 3.0 REGULATIONS CURRENTLY IN PLACE

## 3.1 Summary of the HMS FMP Management Measures and Regulations

On April 7, 2004, NMFS published a final rule to implement the approved provisions of the HMS FMP (69 FR 18444), with the exception of the Reports and Record Keeping requirements, which were granted a delayed effectiveness pending collection-of-information clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Clearance of these delayed requirements, which covers logbooks, permits, vessel monitoring systems, and pre-trip notifications, was received by OMB and became effective on February 10, 2005 (70 FR 7022). In addition, five HMS FMP regulatory amendments have been prepared and finalized since the original final rule was put in place along with the recent implementation of regulatory measures in support of the HMS FMP Amendment 2 (Table 3-1).

Title of Regulation	Federal Register Number	Date Published	Date Effective
Revised Method for Renewing and Replacing Permits Issued under the HMS FMP.	72 FR 10935	6/12/07	4/11/07
Amended Regulatory Text Governing Closures of the Swordfish Drift Gillnet Fishery in the Pacific Loggerhead Sea Turtle Conservation Area during an El NiZo Event	72 FR 31756	6/8/07	7/9/07
Amended Vessel Identification Regulations for HMS Recreational Charter Vessels	72 FR 43563	8/6/07	9/5/07
Daily Bag Limits for Sport Caught Albacore and Bluefin Tuna in the EEZ off California	72 FR 58258	10/15/07	11/14/07
Establishment of an HMS Permit Fee	74 FR 37177	7/28/09	08/27/09
Amendment 2 to the HMS FMP, Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures	76 FR 56327	9/13/11	10/13/11

### Table 3-1. History of HMS FMP domestic regulatory amendments.

The final rule for Amendment 2 revises the HMS FMP to make it consistent with guidelines to meet the objectives of National Standard 1 (NS1) in the MSA. Amendment 2 sets a process through which the Council will strive to meet the objectives of NS1 in order to more effectively prevent overfishing and rebuild overfished stocks, or stocks that may become overfished.

The HMS FMP identifies 13 highly migratory species as management unit species (listed in Table 1–1) and defines the legal gear types and management measures used to harvest them. The final rule modifies the suite of management unit species (MUS) from 13 species to 11 species. The final rule also modifies the process for revising and seeking NMFS approval for numerical estimates of maximum sustainable yield and optimal yield, and specifies status determination criteria so that overfishing and overfished determinations can be made for stocks and stock complexes that are part of a fishery. The 11 MUS will fall under the international exception for setting Annual Catch Limits (ACLs), as described at §660.310(h)(2)(ii).

A summary of the other HMS regulations contained in Table 3-1 can be found in the 2009 HMS SAFE report, which is available on-line (http://www.pcouncil.org/highly-migratory-species/stock-assessment-and-fishery-evaluation-safe-documents/). Copies of the current suite of HMS FMP regulations along with an HMS FMP Compliance Guide can be found on the NMFS Southwest Region website at http://swr.nmfs.noaa.gov. Since fishery rules frequently change, fishermen must familiarize themselves with the latest regulations and are responsible for complying with the current official regulations set forth

in the Code of Federal Regulations at 50 CFR Part 660.<sup>1</sup>

The HMS FMP regulations are necessary for federal management of U.S. fishing vessels targeting HMS within the West Coast EEZ of California, Oregon, and Washington and the adjacent high seas waters. This HMS FMP applies to all U.S. vessels that fish for HMS within the EEZ off California, Oregon, or Washington and to U.S. vessels that pursue HMS on the high seas (seaward of the EEZ) and land their fish in California, Oregon, or Washington. The HMS FMP does not apply to U.S. vessels that fish for HMS on high seas and land into a non-U.S. port. Additional restrictions apply under the High Seas Fishing Compliance Act<sup>2</sup> and for Western Pacific longline permitted vessels landing into West Coast ports.<sup>3</sup>

Regulations for HMS in Washington, Oregon, and California vary from state to state. The HMS FMP contains federal measures for HMS fisheries, which provide a region-wide management regime applicable to all vessels landing in West Coast ports. State regulations not superseded by the initial federal regulations will continue to remain in effect until such time as the Council determines they should be supplanted by federal regulations. Some of the state regulations are inconsistent from state to state, but these inconsistencies do not pose management problems that require immediate federal action.

The HMS FMP, under the management auspices of the Pacific Council, serves as a mechanism to cooperate with other regional and international management bodies to work towards consistent management of U.S. fisheries in the Pacific Ocean. Federal measures impacting these fisheries, which arise from several different federal laws, may be more efficiently addressed within the Council framework, and related regulations can be viewed together. An important goal of the HMS FMP is to assure that issues of national and international concern are addressed, and to determine how recommendations of international bodies should be applied to domestic fisheries of the West Coast.

The fishing gears described below are authorized for the commercial and recreational harvest of HMS in the EEZ by all permitted vessels, and beyond the EEZ by vessels landing into West Coast ports. Gear that is not defined as legal gear is prohibited from harvesting HMS under the HMS FMP. Specific management measures regulating the use of legal gear types will be developed if necessary, using the framework procedures of the HMS FMP.

## 3.1.2 HMS Commercial Gear

**Harpoon**: Fishing gear consisting of a pointed dart or iron attached to the end of a line several hundred feet in length, the other end of which is attached to a flotation device. Harpoon gear is attached to a pole or stick that is propelled only by hand, and not by mechanical means.

**Surface Hook-and-Line**: One or more hooks attached to one or more lines (includes troll, rod and reel, handline, albacore jig, live bait, and bait boat; excludes pelagic longline and mousetrap gear<sup>4</sup>). Surface hook-and-line is always attached to the vessel.

**Drift Gillnet**: A panel of netting, suspended vertically in the water by floats along the top and weights along the bottom, which is neither stationary nor anchored to the bottom. The HMS FMP final rule defines drift gillnet gear as 14 inch (35.56 cm) stretched mesh or greater.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 50 CFR part 660 is available online at <u>http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\_03/50cfr660\_03.html</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/ia/services/highseas.htm</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>http://www.wpcouncil.org/pelagic.htm</u>

**Purse Seine**: A floated and weighted encircling net that is closed by means of a purse line threaded through rings attached to the bottom of the net (includes encircling net, purse seine, ring net, drum purse seine, lampara net).

**Pelagic Longline**: A main line that is suspended horizontally in the water column, which is neither stationary nor anchored, and from which dropper lines with hooks (gangions) are attached.

### 3.1.3 HMS Recreational Gear

**Rod-and-Reel** (**pole-and-line**): A hand-held (including rod holder) fishing rod with a manually or electrically operated reel attached.

**Spear**: A sharp, pointed, or barbed instrument on a shaft. Spears can be operated manually or shot from a gun or sling.

Hook-and-Line: One or more hooks attached to one or more lines (excludes mousetrap gear).<sup>4</sup>

### 3.1.4 Landings and Gear Use Regulations

At this time there are no quotas for HMS species, although there are harvest guidelines. A quota is a specified numerical harvest objective, the attainment of which triggers the closure of the fishery or fisheries for that species. A harvest guideline is a numerical harvest level that is a general objective and is not a quota. If a harvest guideline has been reached, NMFS will initiate a review of the species in question according to provisions in the HMS FMP and in consideration of Council guidance. The HMS FMP establishes annual harvest guidelines of 340 mt for common thresher sharks and 150 mt for shortfin mako sharks. Because total catches and basic population dynamic parameters for these shark species are poorly known, they are being managed using precautionary harvest guidelines.

The HMS FMP final rule prohibits the retention of the species listed below in Table 3-2. In general, prohibited species must be released immediately if caught while targeting HMS, unless other provisions for their disposition are established in accordance with HMS FMP guidelines.

Common Name	Scientific Name
great white shark	Carcharodon carcharias
basking shark	Cetorhinus maximus
megamouth shark	Megachasma pelagio
Pacific halibut	Hippoglossus stenolepis
pink salmon	Onchorhynchus gorbuscha
Chinook salmon	O. tshawytscha
chum salmon	O. keta
sockeye salmon	O. nerka
coho salmon	O. kisutch

<b>Table 3-2.</b>	Prohibited Species covered under the HMS FMP final	rule.
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U.S. citizens fishing in waters covered under the HMS FMP are bound by the rules and regulations set

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Mousetrap gear means a free-floating set of gear thrown from a vessel, composed of a length of line with a float on one end and one or more hooks or lures on the opposite end.

forth in the Shark Finning Prohibition Act of 2000.<sup>5</sup>The Act prohibits, among other things, any person subject to U.S. jurisdiction from: 1) engaging in shark finning, 2) possessing shark fins aboard a U.S. fishing vessel without the corresponding carcass, or 3) landing shark fins without a corresponding carcass. The Act requires an annual report to Congress detailing progress made in addressing the elements of the Act. The report highlights work being conducted by NMFS to monitor and conserve HMS shark populations under Pacific Council management. A copy of the Shark Finning Report to Congress for 2010 can be viewed at: <u>http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/domes\_fish/ReportsToCongress/SharkFinningReport10.pdf</u>

The HMS FMP prohibits the sale of striped marlin by all vessels as a means to provide for and maximize recreational fishing opportunities for this species. Striped marlin is considered to have far greater value as a recreational target species than as a commercial target species. Prohibiting sale removes the incentive for commercial fishermen to take striped marlin.

### 3.1.5 Incidental Landings

The HMS FMP authorizes incidental commercial landings of HMS, within limits, for non-HMS gear such as bottom longline, trawl, pot gear, small mesh drift gillnet, set/trammel gillnets, and others. Incidental catch refers to harvest of HMS that are unavoidably caught while fishing for other species or fishing with gear that is not legal for the harvest of HMS.

Small-mesh drift gillnetters and bottom set net gillnetters are not permitted to land swordfish but would be permitted to land other HMS, with the restriction of 10 fish per landing of each non-swordfish HMS.

Bottom longline (set line) fishery landings are restricted to three HMS sharks, or 20 percent of total landings by weight of HMS sharks, whichever is greater.

For trawl, pot gear, and other non-HMS gear, a maximum of 1 percent of total weight per landing for all HMS shark species combined is allowed (i.e., blue shark, shortfin mako shark, and bigeye, pelagic, and common thresher sharks) or two HMS sharks, whichever is greater.

A drift gillnet vessel with a stretched mesh size less than 14 inches may not target HMS, although an incidental landing of 10 HMS per trip, other than swordfish, will be allowed to minimize bycatch while fishing for state managed species.

Albacore surface hook-and-line vessels may not deploy small-mesh drift gillnets to target albacore as was customarily practiced by selected vessels prior to passage of the HMS FMP final rule.

In Washington, it is unlawful to land thresher shark taken by any means from state and offshore waters of the Pacific Ocean north of the Washington-Oregon boundary and south of the U.S.-Canada boundary. It is unlawful to land any thresher shark in Washington taken south of the Washington-Oregon boundary unless each thresher shark landed is accompanied by a minimum of two swordfish.

In Oregon, it is unlawful to take thresher shark, swordfish or other HMS species for commercial purposes with gillnets in State waters. It is also unlawful, based on a 2009 Oregon State regulation change, to land any of these species in Oregon if taken with gillnets, including fish taken outside State waters. However,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Copies of the Act can be downloaded at: <u>http://www.govtrack.us/congress/billtext.xpd?bill=h106-5461</u>. Copies of the Small Entity Compliance Guide Outlining the Regulations to Implement Shark Finning Prohibition Act can be viewed at: <u>http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/shark\_finning/complianceguid.PDF</u>.

thresher shark, swordfish, or other HMS species taken with authorized commercial gear (i.e., approved gear other than gillnet) may be landed in Oregon provided that the gear and catch are in compliance with all other applicable regulatory measures.

## 3.1.6 Status of HMS Permits

The reporting and recordkeeping requirements of the HMS FMP became effective February 10, 2005(70 FR 7022), and formalized the requirement for an HMS permit. Title 50, Section 660.707 of the Code of Federal Regulations outlines the required HMS permit with an endorsement for a specific gear for all U.S. commercial and recreational charter fishing vessels fishing for and/or landing HMS off the States of California, Oregon, and Washington. The permit requirements also apply for U.S. EEZ off the States of California, Oregon, and Washington. The permit must be on board the vessel and available for inspection by an authorized officer.

Table 3-3 shows the number of HMS permits active by year. The permit data presented reflect valid permits and do not necessarily reflect total number of active vessels (i.e., vessels with catch and effort history in a given fishery year).

	Year	California	Oregon	Washington	Other	Total
_	2005	677	626	298	135	1,736
_	2006	800	684	339	152	1,975
_	2007	785	561	318	108	1,772
_	2008	826	569	331	84	1,810
_	2009	903	650	381	54	1,988
	2010	887	620	383	80	1,970

 Table 3-3. HMS permits recorded in the permit database for each year since the regulation became effective on February 10, 2005.

Notes: The permits are issued to the vessel owner(s), not to the vessels themselves. The totals indicate the number of permits outstanding in each year and cannot be added across years. "Other" column includes non-west coast home ports/states and permits issued with no home port/state designated.

## 3.1.7 HMS Fisheries Logbook Data Collection

Catch, effort, and catch disposition data are critical for monitoring HMS fisheries, assessing the status of the stocks, and evaluating the effectiveness of management. All commercial fishing operations conducted with HMS FMP approved gear, including HMS recreational charter vessels, are required to maintain logbooks. All information specified on the logbook forms must be recorded on the forms within 24 hours after the completion of each fishing day. The original logbook form for each day of the fishing trip must be submitted to NMFS or the appropriate state management agency within 30 days of each landing or transshipment of HMS. Each form must be signed and dated by the fishing vessel operator.

Logbooks from a total of 1,490 North Pacific albacore trips (including both albacore troll and pole-andline gears) from 409 vessels were submitted to the NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC) in La Jolla, California in 2010, compared to 1,840 logbooks from 500 vessels in 2009. A total of 12,004 mt of albacore was landed by albacore troll and pole-and-line vessels in 2010, compared to 12,793 mt in 2009. A total of 8,144 mt of albacore were recorded as catch in mandatory logbook submissions for 2010, compared to 9,967 mt in 2009. This equates to a 68 percent logbook compliance rate estimate for 2010 using the landed catch versus logbook reported catch methodology. CDFG implemented a harpoon logbook and permit program in 1974. The logbook has been modified over time, but the primary focus has been to document catch, effort, and oceanographic conditions on the fishing grounds. According to landings data, 25 vessels landed a total of 22 mt of swordfish in 2010. No logbook data are available from the 2010 harpoon fishery at this time. In 2009, 28 vessels landed 34 mt of swordfish. Twenty-five vessels submitted logbooks from the 2009 harpoon fishery, recording 513 vessel-days of effort. CDFG will be looking into logbook compliance in the near future.

The gillnet logbook program was implemented in 1980 to study the development of the drift gillnet shark fishery to determine the effects of the fishery on swordfish and striped marlin. In 2010, 38 drift gillnet vessels landed a total of 48 mt of swordfish and 36 mt of common thresher shark. Logbook data from the 2010 drift gillnet fishery are not yet available. In 2009, 54 drift gillnet vessels landed a total of 249 mt of swordfish and 48 mt of common thresher shark. Thirty vessels submitted logbooks from the 2009 drift gillnet fishery, resulting in 575 vessel-days of effort.

Purse seine vessels primarily target CPS along the West Coast, but occasionally target HMS when fish are available and market conditions are favorable. In 2010 only one vessel targeted HMS with purse seine gear. In accordance with agency confidentiality policies, this catch is combined with the "Other" gear category for reporting. In 2009 eight vessels caught a total of 39 mt of albacore, 410 mt of bluefin tuna, 4 mt of skipjack tuna, and 15 mt of yellowfin tuna.

## 3.1.8 Observer Requirements

All U.S. fishing vessels operating in HMS fisheries (including catcher/processors, at-sea processors, and vessels that embark from a port in Washington, Oregon, or California and land catch in another area), may be required to carry a NMFS-certified observer on board to collect scientific data when directed to do so by the NMFS Regional Administrator. NMFS shall advise the permit holder or the designated agent of any observer requirement at least 24 hours (not including weekends and federal holidays) before any trip. Pre-season informational letters were sent out to the various HMS fleets explaining the requirements for carrying an observer, which includes, among other things, providing bunk space and food equivalent to that given to crew members.

During 2010, the NMFS Southwest Region Observer Program observed the following HMS fisheries:

- Drift gillnet: 12 trips and 59 sets for a coverage rate of approximately 12 percent.
- Albacore troll: Albacore trips did not carry federal observers in 2010.
- Tuna Purse Seine: The West Coast-based coastal purse seine fleet did not carry federal observers in 2010.
- Pelagic tuna longline: 5 trips and 77 sets, 100 percent coverage.
- HMS CPFV: CPFV trips did not carry federal observers in 2010.

## 3.1.9 HMS Regulatory Enforcement and Permits Compliance Check for 2010

## 3.1.9.1 Enforcement of Regulations

Penalties for violating the regulations and prohibitions outlined in the HMS FMP final rule are determined on a case-by-case basis; they can include significant civil penalties and permit sanctions. NOAA has implemented a summary settlement penalty program to increase compliance with logbook reporting requirements, and is developing a civil administrative penalty schedule for the HMS FMP Final Rule. The NOAA Summary Penalty Program for the West Coast HMS fishery can be found at 50 CFR 660, Subpart K. The Program focuses on the reporting compliance for logbooks and sets the penalty schedule for failure to timely complete, or timely submit, a logbook as required by regulation as follows:

1–5 days late, \$500; 6 or more days late, \$100/day.

## 3.1.9.2 Compliance Check

HMS permit compliance improved this year to more than 95 percent. During the fishing season, 712 U.S. vessels made HMS landings with HMS gear. Of these vessels, 24 were identified as not having had a valid HMS permit. In 2009, 83 of the 780 vessels made landings that were found to be fishing without a permit. The CPFV portion of the 2010 compliance checks found 21 vessels targeting HMS without a permit. This is approximately the same as 2009 when 20 vessels fished without a valid permit. Vessels which appeared to be in noncompliance with the HMS regulations were either sent a certified warning letter or were referred to the NOAA Fisheries Office for Law Enforcement for investigation.

## 3.2 **Protected Resources Regulations**

Longline and drift gillnet vessels on rare occasions encounter endangered and threatened species of sea turtles and marine mammals while targeting HMS. Longline vessels also infrequently encounter a number of sea birds, including the endangered short-tailed albatross. Endangered and threatened marine species are protected through a number of federal laws, including the ESA and the MMPA. The HMS FMP final rule(69 FR 18444)adopted measures to minimize interactions of HMS gears with protected species and to ensure that the HMS fisheries are operating consistent with federal laws. These measures include time and area closures, gear requirements, and safe handling and release techniques for protected seabirds and sea turtles. Refer to 50 CFR 660.712, 713, and 720 and 50 CFR 229.31 and 223.206 for the complete list and text of the regulations.

Impacts of the HMS FMP on ESA-listed protected resources (including marine mammals and sea turtles) were analyzed as part of the section 7 consultation and 2004 biological opinion (BO). The BO included an Incidental Take Statement with anticipated mortalities and entanglements of ESA-listed marine mammals and sea turtles that are likely to interact with the drift gillnet vessels targeting HMS fish species (see Table 3-4). Except where noted, the anticipated mortalities are annual estimates. The BO considered the impacts of the proposed shallow-set longline fishery and found that the fishery was likely to jeopardize the continued existence of threatened loggerhead sea turtles. As a result, the shallow-set longline HMS fishery was prohibited.

Species	Estimated Entanglements (number of animals in 3 years)	Estimated Mortalities (number of animals in 3 years)	Typical Conditions Resulting in Take
Fin whale	4 in 3 years	2 in 3 years	
Humpback whale	4 in 3 years	0	
Sperm whale	4 in 3 years	2 in 3 years	
Green turtle	4	1	SSTs in fishing area similar to Nov 99
Leatherback turtle	3	2	-
Loggerhead turtle	5	2	Only in El Niño years
Olive ridley turtle	4	1	SSTs in fishing area similar to Nov 99

Table 3-4.	Anticipated	incidental	takes o	f ESA-listed	marine	mammal	and sea	turtle	species in	the drift
gillnet HM	S fishery.									

Note: SST – sea surface temperature.

Takes of green, olive ridley and loggerhead sea turtles are uncommon except under certain environmental conditions (e.g., El Niño or higher than usual sea surface temperatures) when turtles may move into the

areas of drift gillnet fishing. Takes of leatherbacks are also rare, likely due to the time/area closure which has been in effect since the 2001 season and subsequent reductions in fishing effort. Since 2001, only one leatherback has been observed taken (released alive), in 2009.

Takes of listed marine mammals are rare events and are calculated over a three-year time period, consistent with the MMPA permit required under section 101(a)(5)(E) for incidental take of ESA-listed marine mammals in fisheries. The last 101(a)(5)(E) permit was completed in September 2007 with a Federal Register Notice published on October 26, 2007 (72 FR 60816). The three-year permit expired on October 26, 2010. The Southwest Regional Office's Protected Resources Division is in the process of evaluating the estimated takes of ESA-listed marine mammals (fin whales, blue whales, and humpback whales) in the California drift gillnet fishery. A negligible impact determination should be in place for all or some of the above-referenced whales by the fall of 2011.

In December, 2010, a California drift gillnet vessel was observed to take two sperm whales in one set. One of the whales died, while the other whale was released with trailing gear, which NMFS considers a serious injury leading to mortality. Because the incidental take of sperm whales exceeded the levels authorized by the 2004 BO, the SWR Sustainable Fisheries Division has initiated formal consultation with the SWR Protected Resources Division and is in the process of preparing a biological assessment on the take of all endangered and threatened species adversely affected by this fishery.

In early 2011, NMFS completed a Biological Opinion on the deep-set longline component of the HMS fishery. When the 2004 Biological Opinion was completed, there was no deep-set longline fishing effort, so there was no analysis done. However, since 2005 there has been deep-set longline fishing in the high seas and NMFS was required to complete an Environmental Assessment and Biological Opinion. The take of ESA listed species in the deep-set longline fishery is rare, and the fishery is observed at 100 percent. The anticipated incidental take is shown in Table 3-5. No ESA-listed marine mammals are expected to be taken in the deep-set longline fishery.

Species	Estimated entanglements (mortality) in three years
Green turtle	1
Leatherback turtle	1
Olive Ridley turtle	3
Loggerhead turtle	1

Table 3-5. Anticipated number of turtle entanglements and associated mortality from the deep-set longlineHMS fishery during 2011-2013.

The MMPA requires that all commercial fisheries in the U.S. be categorized and included on an annual List of Fisheries (<u>http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/interactions/lof/#lof</u>). The fisheries are placed in one of three categories based upon the level of serious injury and mortality of marine mammals that occurs incidental to each fishery:

- I. **frequent** incidental mortality or serious injury of marine mammals
- II. occasional incidental mortality or serious injury of marine mammals
- III. **remote likelihood of/no known** incidental mortality or serious injury of marine mammals

The current 2011 LOF was published on November 8, 2010 (75 FR 68468). The drift gillnet HMS fishery, the tuna purse seine fishery, and pelagic longline fishery are all listed as Category III fisheries. In the proposed 2012 LOF, the drift gillnet fishery is proposed to be elevated to a Category II fishery due to a Marine Mammal Authorization Program (MMAP) self-reporting of a humpback whale entanglement during drift gillnet fishing operations in 2009. The animal was cut loose with trailing gear and considered

seriously injured. The final 2012 LOF should be published in November 2011. The Federal Register Notice for the proposed 2012 LOF can be found at: <u>http://swr.nmfs.noaa.gov/pdf/2012\_proposed\_LOF-76FR37716\_062811.pdf</u>.

Any incidental injuries or mortalities of marine mammals occurring during fishing operations must be reported to NMFS. Injury/mortality report forms and instructions for submitting forms to NMFS can be downloaded from http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/interactions/mmap/. Owners of vessels in Category I or II fisheries are required to register with NMFS and obtain a marine mammal authorization to lawfully incidentally take marine mammals. They may also be required to accommodate an observer aboard the vessel, upon request by NMFS. On January 5, 2010, NMFS published a proposed rule to designate areas off the U.S. west coast as critical habitat for endangered leatherback sea turtles (75 FR 319). NMFS failed to publish the final rule on critical habitat within 12 months of the proposed rule and was sued by environmental groups in early 2011. As part of the settlement agreement, NMFS must publish the final rule on leatherback critical habitat by November 15, 2011. Existing leatherback critical habitat is at Sandy Point Beach and adjacent waters on the western end of St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands. This area is a known nesting beach for leatherback sea turtles in the Atlantic Ocean. NMFS was petitioned in October 2007 to designate the drift gillnet leatherback sea turtle conservation area as critical habitat, an area of roughly 200,000 square miles. The proposed rule is to designate as critical habitat an area of approximately 70,000 square miles from Point Vicente to Point Arena, California and from the Umpqua River in Oregon to Cape Flattery, Washington. The proposed rule can be found at http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/pdfs/fr/fr75-319.pdf.

## 3.3 International Regulatory Aspects of the HMS FMP

Management of Pacific HMS fisheries is complicated by the wide-ranging behavior of the stocks, the many jurisdictions that are involved, and a lack of reliable data. Many HMS are distributed throughout the Pacific Ocean and vessels from the United States and many other nations harvest them. Effective management of the stocks throughout their ranges requires international cooperation. The HMS FMP and its associated fisheries are affected by the conservation and management measures adopted by regional fishery management organizations (RFMOs); in particular, those adopted by the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC). In addition, the U.S.-Canada Albacore Treaty and the associated bilateral negotiations between the United States and Canada affect the HMS FMP and albacore fisheries based out of the U.S. West Coast.

## 3.3.1 The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission

The IATTC was established in 1949 for the conservation and management of fisheries for tunas, tuna-like species, and other species of fish taken incidentally by tuna fishing vessels in the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO). Currently, there are 21 members of the IATTC: Belize, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, the European Union, France, Guatemala, Japan, Kiribati, Korea, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Chinese Taipei, United States, Vanuatu, and Venezuela. The Cook Islands is a Cooperating Non-Member.

The IATTC is responsible for the conservation and management of fisheries for tunas and other species taken by tuna-fishing vessels in the EPO. The Tuna Conventions Act of 1950 provides the United States with the federal authority to implement the measures adopted by the IATTC. The HMS FMP can at times be used to implement or supplement recommendations of the IATTC or other international fishery management bodies, particularly for U.S. fisheries based out of the U.S. West Coast that primarily operate in domestic waters.

In 2003, the IATTC adopted a resolution that approved the Antigua Convention, a major revision of the

original convention establishing the IATTC. This new text brings the convention current with respect to internationally accepted laws on the conservation and management of oceanic resources, including a mandate to take a more ecosystem-based approach to management. The Antigua Convention entered into force on August 27, 2010. Implementing legislation packages for the Antigua Convention have been sent to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Senate Commerce Science and Transportation Committee; however, Congress has not yet passed such legislation.

IATTC resolutions are domestically implemented in regulations at 50 CFR 300, Subpart C.

The next IATTC meeting is scheduled for the second week of July 2012 at a location yet to be determined.

## 3.3.1.1 An Update of IATTC Resolutions

Since the 2010 HMS SAFE report, two IATTC plenary meetings have convened. There were meetings held in Antigua, Guatemala in September 2010, and in La Jolla, California in July 2011. The three recommendations (non-binding agreements) that were adopted at the 2010 annual meeting were replaced with resolutions (binding decisions of the IATTC) adopted at the 2011 annual meeting, thus only resolutions adopted at the 2011 meeting are discussed here.

The active IATTC Resolutions may be accessed at the following IATTC website: <u>http://www.iattc.org/</u><u>ResolutionsActiveENG.htm</u>.

### Recommendations adopted at the July 2011 IATTC meeting

### <u>Resolution C-11-01 - Resolution on a Multiannual Program for the Conservation of Tuna in the Eastern</u> <u>Pacific Ocean in2011-2013</u>

This measure is very similar to IATTC Resolution C-09-01 which was adopted at the 2009 IATTC meeting. The measure is applicable to purse seine vessels class sizes 4-6 (182 metric tons and greater well volume carrying capacity) and longline vessels greater than 24 meters in length that fish for yellowfin, bigeye, and skipjack tunas in the EPO. The resolution consists of, among other things, a purse seine closure period in the IATTC Convention Area for 62 days from 2011-2013, a time/area closure for purse seine vessels on the high seas to the west of the Galapagos Islands, a bigeye tuna quota for longline vessels, and a tuna retention program in the purse seine fishery.

# <u>Resolution C-11-02 – Resolution to Mitigate the Impact on Seabirds of Fishing for Species Covered by the IATTC</u>

This measure is very similar to the seabird measure adopted by the WCPFC in 2007 (CMM-2007-04). The IATTC measure is applicable to longline vessels greater than 20 meters in length that use hydraulic, mechanical, or electrical systems and fish for species covered by the IATTC in the EPO north of 23°N (except in Mexican national waters) and south of 30°S, plus the area bounded by the coastline at 2°N, west to 2°N-95°W, south to 15°S-95°W, east to 15°S-85°W, and south to 30°S. Applicable vessels must use at least two mitigation measures listed in the table provided in the measure. The current U.S. requirements for seabird mitigation in the longline fisheries operating in the Pacific Ocean satisfy these provisions. There are also other provisions in the measure pertaining to data collection and reporting.

## Recommendation C-11-03 – Resolution Prohibiting Fishing on Data Buoys

This measure is different from the measure adopted by the WCPFC in 2009 (CMM-2009-05). This measure, among other things, prohibits all fishing vessels from interacting with data buoys in the IATTC Convention Area and prohibits longline and purse seine fishing vessels from deploying fishing gear within one nautical mile of an anchored data buoy in the IATTC Convention Area. Interactions include,

but are not limited to, encircling the buoy with fishing gear, tying up to or attaching the vessel, fishing gear, or any part or portion of the vessel, to a data buoy, or cutting its anchor line.

### <u>Resolution C-11-07 – Resolution on the Process for Improved Compliance of Resolutions Adopted by the</u> <u>Commission</u>

This measure establishes a process for improved compliance of resolutions adopted by the IATTC. The measure establishes procedures for improving compliance, including requiring each member to fill out an annual questionnaire regarding compliance with each IATTC resolution, and establishing procedures and timelines for submitting information for consideration in compliance cases. The questionnaire and all supplemental materials will then be reviewed by the IATTC Implementation Committee and the IATTC plenary each year.

### Resolution C-11-08 – Resolution on Scientific Observers for Longline Vessels

This measure requires that at least five percent of the fishing effort made by longline fishing vessels greater than 20 meters in length operating in the IATTC Convention Area carry a scientific observer. The measure goes into effect on January 1, 2013 and the results of the observer program will be reviewed in subsequent years to determine whether the five percent coverage rate should be increased.

#### <u>Resolution C-11-10 – Resolution on the Conservation of Oceanic Whitetip Sharks Caught in Association</u> with Fisheries in the Convention Area

This measure prohibits the retention, sale, landing, transshipment, storing, or offering for sale any part or whole carcass of oceanic whitetip sharks in the fisheries covered by the IATTC. The measure also requires vessels to promptly release unharmed, to the extent practicable, whitetip sharks when brought alongside the vessel.

<u>Resolution C-11-11 – Resolution on the Creation of the Special Sustainable Development Fund for</u> <u>Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species to Strengthen the Institutional Capacity of Developing Countries</u>

This measure establishes a development fund for capacity building, such as creating systems for the collection, processing, and analyzing of data and participation in meetings of the IATTC, in developing countries. An initial USD \$50,000 contribution will go into the fund from the annual IATTC budget in 2013. The remainder of the resources of the fund will come from contributions obtained from Members of the IATTC or from national and international bodies or entities interested in strengthening the capacities of developing countries. Contributions may be declared for a specific use, consistent with the nature of the fund.

### Resolution C-11-12 – Resolution on the Carrying Capacity of Peru

This measure grants Peru 5,000 cubic meters of additional purse seine carrying capacity per the footnote in Resolution C-02-03, to be utilized by vessels flying the Peruvian flag operating in the marine areas under the jurisdiction of Peru. This capacity cannot be transferred to other flags nor used for the chartering of vessels of other flags.

### Other Resolutions and Decisions Adopted by the IATTC in 2011

The IATTC also adopted a resolution on the budget for 2012 (Resolution C-11-04), made several amendments to the Regional Vessel Register Resolution (now Resolution C-11-06), the List of Authorized Large-Scale Longline Vessels (now Resolution C-11-05), and the Transshipment Resolution (now Resolution C-11-09), and agreed to a Memorandum of Cooperation with the WCPFC for the cross endorsement of observers.

### 3.3.2 Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission

The Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western

and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPO) became effective in June 2004. The objective of the Convention is to ensure, through effective management, the long-term conservation and sustainable use of highly migratory fish stock in the WCPO. The United States signed the Convention in 2000 and ratified it in 2007, thereby becoming a member of the WCPFC. The U.S. domestic procedures for ratification of the Convention were completed in June 2007.

There are 25 Members of the Commission: Australia, China, Canada, Cook Islands, European Union, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, France, Japan, Kiribati, Korea, Republic of Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Chinese Taipei, Tonga, Tuvalu, United States, and Vanuatu. American Samoa, Guam, French Polynesia, New Caledonia, Tokelau, Wallis, Futuna, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands are Participating Territories, and Belize, Indonesia, Panama, Senegal, Mexico, El Salvador, Ecuador, Thailand, and Vietnam are Cooperating Non-members.

WCPFC conservation and management measures are accessible on the following WCPFC website: <u>http://www.wcpfc.int/conservation-and-management-measures</u>. The NOAA Fisheries Pacific Islands Regional Office (PIRO) has the lead on implementing the measures adopted by the WCPFC. Documentation and background information on recent rulemakings can be found at <u>http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/IFD/ifd\_documents\_data.html</u>.

WCPFC conservation and management measures are domestically implemented in regulations at 50 CFR 300, Subpart O.

The next meeting of the WCPFC will be in December 2011 in Koror, Palau.

## 3.3.2.1 An Update of WCPFC Conservation and Management Measures

The last WCPFC annual meeting was held in December 2010 in Honolulu, Hawaii. Several conservation and management measures (CMMs) were adopted and a number of existing measures were revised. Each of these decisions is summarized below.

### CMM 2010-01 - North Pacific Striped Marlin

The WCPFC adopted this measure calling for a phased reduction by all members and cooperating nonmembers in their catch of North Pacific striped marlin, such that their catch on January 1, 2013, is 80 percent of their highest catch from 2000–2003. The measure applies to all gear types and will be amended in 2011 on the basis of the 2011 stock assessment results. All members were also encouraged to implement and test gear modifications that may assist with reduction of North Pacific striped marlin catch and inform amendment of the measure in 2011.

### CMM 2010-02 – Eastern High Seas Pocket Special Management Areas

The WCPFC adopted this measure to reduce IUU fishing in the eastern high seas pocket of the Convention Area. The measure includes specific vessel reporting requirements and a provision requiring near real-time VMS information for eastern high seas pockets adjacent to coastal states/territories for monitoring purposes.

### CMM 2010-03 - Committee on Compliance with Conservation Measures

The WCPFC adopted a one year pilot program for a compliance monitoring scheme. The Commission requested Australia, which proposed this CMM, to continue to work intersessionally through the Compliance with Conservation and Management Measures Working Group to develop a process that will identify a range of possible responses to non-compliance and report back to the Technical and Compliance Committee Meeting in 2011.

## CMM-2010-04 – Pacific Bluefin Tuna

The WCPFC adopted this measure to ensure that the level of Pacific bluefin tuna fishing mortality does not increase above 2002–2004 levels. The measure will be reviewed in 2012 on the basis of the 2012 stock assessment results.

## 3.3.3 The U.S.-Canada Albacore Treaty

The Treaty entered into force in 1982 and has been renegotiated several times to address limitations on access to North Pacific albacore tuna by fishing vessels of one country operating in the jurisdiction of the other. The Treaty allows fishing in the host country beyond 12 nautical miles during a fishing season that runs from June through October. The Treaty requires that the United States and Canada annually exchange lists of fishing vessels that may fish for albacore tuna in each other's waters. The vessels agree to abide by the provisions of the Treaty, which include vessel marking, recordkeeping, and reporting. The Treaty also allows the fishing vessels of each country to enter designated fishing ports of the other country to conduct several types of business transactions including the landing of albacore without payment of duties; transshipment of catches to any port of the flag state; selling catches for export or locally; and obtaining fuel, supplies, repairs, and equipment on the same basis as albacore tuna vessels of the other country. The Treaty allows Canadian albacore vessels to land their catch in the ports of Bellingham and Westport, Washington; Astoria, Coos Bay, and Newport, Oregon; and Eureka, California.

The current 3-year fishing regime (2009-2011), which allows 110 Canadian vessels to fish in the U.S. EEZ and an unlimited number of U.S. vessels in the Canadian EEZ, ends December 2011. There is no default mechanism for reciprocal fishing to continue in the absence of an extended or new regime. The two countries are currently in the process of renegotiation. Canada and the United States held their annual data consultation to review the 2010 fishing season, to discuss management arrangements, and to exchange updates on the status during a conference call on April 18, 2011. Canada reported that 106 out of the allotted 110 Canadian vessels fished in the U.S. EEZ. The Canadian effort in terms of vessel days was distributed off Washington (1,047 vessel days), Oregon (2,748 vessel days), and California (53 vessel days). Forty-two Canadian vessels landed 958 mt, while making 76 landings to U.S. ports. The amount of albacore landed in the United States was 37 percent more than in 2009. The United States reported that eight vessels made a total of 13 landings in Canadian ports.

Members of both countries renewed their agreement to form a data working group that would be used to reconcile differences in Canadian and U.S. catch reports and other data related issues. The first meeting of the working group is planned for late summer 2011.

U.S-Canada Albacore Treaty measures are domestically implemented in regulations at 50 CFR 300, Subpart L.

Tables 4-9 (Canadian vessels excluded) and 4-10 (all landings) provide data on the commercial landings in the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line fishery from 1981-2010all landings, and Tables 4-19 and 4-20 provide the real commercial ex-vessel revenues.

## 3.4 Bycatch and Other Monitored Species

NMFS monitors catch and bycatch in HMS fisheries through onboard observers. During the 2009/2010 fishing year, observers were placed on deep-set pelagic longline and drift gillnet fishing vessels. Less than three vessels participated in the deep-set pelagic longline fishery, so data confidentiality rules prevent those observations from being reported here. Observer coverage in this fishery was 100 percent.

The drift gillnet fishery for swordfish and sharks has been observed by NMFS since 1990.

Table 3–6summarizes the total catch and final disposition by species of all fish, marine mammals, sea turtles, and seabirds observed caught in the California/Oregon drift gillnet fishery during the 2009/2010 fishing season. Data were collected at sea by contract observers, and represent a total of 108 sets. Estimated total fishing effort for the season was 832 sets.

	Total	Number	Number Returned			Number	Catch
	Cought	Kont	Alivo	Dood	Linknown	Domogod	per 100
Species	Caught	Kept	Alive	Dead	Unknown	Damaged	Sets
Swordfish	25	25	0	0	0	1	23.1
Striped Marlin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.9
Albacore	5	5	0	0	0	2	4.6
Bluefin Tuna	14	14	0	0	0	1	13.0
Common Thresher Shark	80	79	1	0	0	0	74.1
Bigeye Thresher Shark	3	2	0	0	1	0	2.8
Shortfin Mako Shark	30	30	0	0	0	0	27.8
Blue Shark	27	0	11	16	0	0	25.0
Salmon Shark	3	0	0	3	0	0	2.8
Pacific Electric Ray	2	0	1	0	1	0	1.9
Common Mola	680	0	668	11	1	4	629.6
Louvar	8	7	1	0	0	0	7.4
Opah	115	115	0	0	0	7	106.5
Pacific Bonito	3	3	0	0	0	1	2.8
Pacific Mackerel	41	12	1	28	0	4	38.0
Pacific Pomfret	68	68	0	0	0	0	63.0
Unidentified Rockfish	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.9
Jack Mackerel	2	2	0	0	0	0	1.9
Remora	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.9
Unidentified Invertebrate	1	0	0	0	1	0	0.9
Short Beak Common Dolphin	2	0	0	2	0	0	1.9
Long Beak Common Dolphin	2	0	0	2	0	0	1.9
Bottlenose Dolphin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.9
Northern Right Whale Dolphin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.9
Sperm Whale	2	0	1	1	0	0	1.9

Table 3-6.NMFS California/Oregon Drift Gillnet Observer Program Observed Catch - 2010/2011 FishingSeason May 1, 2010, through January 31, 2011 (Source: NMFS SWR Observer Program).

## 4.0 STATISTICAL SUMMARIES OF CATCH, REVENUE, AND EFFORT

This chapter presents tabular and graphical summaries of commercial HMS fisheries in Section 4.1, including landings, nominal and real revenues, and participation. Summaries of recreational HMS fisheries are provided in Section 4.2, including catch estimates by species for the private vessel recreational fleet and catch, effort and participation estimates for the commercial passenger fishing vessel (CPFV) fleet. Data sources include PacFIN for the commercial fisheries, RecFIN for the private vessel recreational fleet and the CPFV logbook database for CPFV catch and effort data summaries. Data sources and calculations are explained either in discussion or in footnotes. Commercial data summaries are either organized by catch species or by fishery (gears and fishing methods). PacFIN codes used to extract commercial fisheries data are summarized in Tables 4-56 (species codes) and 4-57 (gear codes).

### 4.1 Commercial Fisheries

	2009			2010			
		Ex-vessel	Average	Ex-vessel		Average	
	Landings	revenue	price	Landings	revenue	price	
Species	(round mt)	(\$1000)	(\$/ round lb)	(round mt)	(\$1000)	(\$/ round lb)	
Tunas							
Albacore	12,307	\$27,584	\$1.02	11,855	\$29,572	\$1.13	
Yellowfin	45	\$167	\$1.68	1	\$7	N.A.	
Skipjack	5	\$5	N.A.	1	\$2	N.A.	
Bigeye	12	\$97	\$3.67	31	\$242	\$3.54	
Bluefin	415	\$443	\$0.48	1	\$5	N.A.	
Unspecified Tuna			N.A.	1	\$6	N.A.	
Tunas subtotal	12,784	\$28,296	\$1.00	11,890	\$29,834	\$1.14	
Swordfish	407	\$1,930	\$2.15	367	\$2,185	\$2.70	
Sharks							
Common Thresher	106	\$198	\$0.85	95	\$155	\$0.74	
Pelagic Thresher	<0.5	< \$0.5	N.A.	<0.5	< \$0.5	N.A.	
Bigeye Thresher	7	\$5	N.A.	1	\$1	N.A.	
Shortfin Mako	30	\$54	\$0.82	21	\$36	\$0.77	
Blue	1	\$2	N.A.	<0.5	< \$0.5	N.A.	
Sharks subtotal	144	\$259	\$0.82	117	\$192	\$0.74	
Dorado	1	\$4	N.A.	4	\$16	N.A.	
Total HMS	13,336	\$30,489	\$1.04	12,378	\$32,227	\$1.18	

Table 4-1. West Coast commercial HMS landings, revenues, and average prices by species, 2009–2010.

**Interpretation**: The total West Coast commercial HMS catch was 12.4 thousand mt in 2010, down7.2percent from 13.3 thousand mt in 2009. Tunas continued to represent 96 percent of the total catch by weight in 2010. Albacore tuna catch was down 3.7 percent from the catch in the previous year,

and was by far the largest component of tuna catch, representing 99.7 percent of the total by weight. Bigeye was the next largest component of tuna catch at 31 mt.

Swordfish was the category with the next largest share of landings behind tuna at 3 percent of the total weight. Swordfish landings by weight were down by 10 percent (40 mt) from 2009 to 2010. Common thresher shark again comprised the largest component of commercial shark landings by weight in 2010. Total commercial shark landings by weight decreased by 19 percent (27mt) from 2009 to 2010.

Total current dollar West Coast commercial HMS ex-vessel revenue of \$32.2 million increased from \$30.5 million in the previous year, by5.7 percent (\$1.7 million). Tunas comprised 93 percent of the 2010 revenue total. Albacore generated by far the most important component of revenue for any single species, at \$29.6 million. Swordfish was the next highest contributor to total revenue at \$2.2 million.

The average price for tuna was 13.4 percent higher in 2010 than in 2009. The overall average West Coast commercial HMS fish price increased from \$1.04in 2009 to \$1.18 in 2010, or roughly 14 percent. Prices are not reported for species with fewer than 10 mt of landings, due to potentially large rounding errors.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011 (landings and revenues), and represent the latest two years of current dollar revenues and landings data shown in Tables 4-4 and 4–5. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line, then dividing by 2204.6. Revenues were computed for each species as the sum total of landed weights in pounds multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Average prices are estimated as revenue divided by round pounds, where the latter are metric tons multiplied by 2204.6. Estimated averages are subject to rounding error for categories with small revenues or landings.

	2009			2010		
	Landings	Ex-vessel revenue	Average price	Landings	Ex-vessel revenue	Average price
Fishery	(round mt)	(\$1000)	(\$/ round lb)	(round mt)	(\$1000)	(\$/ round lb)
Surface Hook-and-line***	11,622	\$25,935	\$1.01	10,868	\$26,431	\$1.10
Drift gillnet	493	\$1,584	\$1.46	238	\$853	\$1.63
Harpoon	51	\$469	\$4.17	36	\$354	\$4.46
Longline	**	**	**	**	**	**
Purse seine	943	\$821	\$0.40	*	*	*
Total HMS	13,109	\$28,810	\$1.00	11,142	\$27,638	\$1.13

 Table 4-2.
 West Coast commercial Highly Migratory Species landings, revenues, and average prices by fishery, 2009-2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources

(mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

\*\*\* Canadian vessels are excluded.

**Interpretation**: Table 4–2 shows total West Coast commercial HMS catch for the indicated fisheries. The totals shown exclude data for fisheries with fewer than three participating vessels, due to confidentiality requirements. The surface hook-and-line fishery represented 98 percent of the total catch for the fisheries whose landings are shown in the table.

Total current dollar West Coast commercial HMS ex-vessel revenue of \$27.6 million in 2010 for the fisheries reported in the table decreased from \$28.8 million in 2009, for a percentage decrease of 4.1 percent (\$1,172 thousand). The overall average West Coast commercial HMS price per round metric ton of catch for these fisheries increased from \$1.00 in 2009 to \$1.13 in 2010 (13 percent increase).

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on various dates in August 2011, and represent the latest two years of current dollar revenues and landings data in Tables 4–9 through 4–18. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line, then dividing by 2204.6. Revenues were computed for each species as the sum total of landed weights in pounds multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Average prices are estimated as revenue divided by round pounds, where the latter are metric tons multiplied by 2204.6. Estimated averages are subject to rounding error for categories with small revenues or landings. Data for Canadian surface hook-and-line vessels fishing in the U.S. EEZ are excluded from the table.

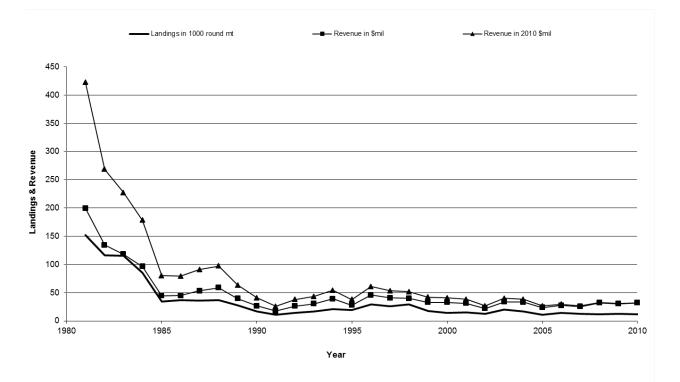


Figure 4-1. West Coast commercial HMS landings and revenues, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–1 shows aggregate West Coast HMS commercial landings in thousands of round metric tons and aggregate revenues in millions of both current and 2010 dollars from 1981 through 2010. The accompanying tables below (Tables 4–4 through 4–6) show commercial landings and revenues by species. Data for the graph are displayed in the far right columns of the three accompanying tables.

The most striking feature of Figure 4-1 is a precipitous drop in both commercial landings and revenues over the period from 1981 through 1985. Landings fell from a level of about 150,000 mt in 1981 to a level which has remained permanently below 50,000 mt from 1985 onwards. Revenues in real (2010) dollars fell from \$423 million in 1981 to a level permanently below \$200 million after 1984.Landings have recently occurred at levels between 10-20 mt, while real revenues since 2001 have ranged between \$25 million and \$40 million in 2010 dollars.

The drops in landings and revenues are primarily explained by the substantial decline in tuna landings during the 1980s for species other than albacore. This drop in tuna landings reflects a decline in purse seine landings and revenues, which is largely explained by structural changes in the tuna purse seine fishing industry after 1980. In 1980, there were 20 U.S. tuna processing plants in operation; this number declined to seven by 1990, while the U.S. fleet of purse seiners in the Eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO) declined from 135 vessels in 1981 to fewer than 20 vessels in years since 1998.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011(landings and revenues). Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line then dividing by 2204.6. Current dollar revenues were computed as the sum total of landed weights in pounds multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Revenues in current dollars were adjusted to 2010 dollars using the implicit GDP deflator as calculated by the Bureau of Economic Analysis. Data for the graph were calculated by summing revenues and landings across all species in each year.

	Landings	Revenue	Revenue
Year	(1000 round mt)	(\$mil.)	(2010 \$mil.)
1981	152	\$200	\$423
1982	116	\$134	\$269
1983	115	\$118	\$227
1984	85	\$96	\$178
1985	34	\$44	\$80
1986	37	\$45	\$79
1987	36	\$53	\$91
1988	37	\$59	\$97
1989	28	\$40	\$63
1990	17	\$27	\$41
1991	11	\$17	\$26
1992	14	\$26	\$38
1993	17	\$31	\$43
1994	21	\$39	\$54
1995	19	\$28	\$38
1996	29	\$46	\$61
1997	26	\$41	\$53
1998	29	\$40	\$52
1999	18	\$33	\$42
2000	14	\$33	\$41
2001	15	\$31	\$38
2002	13	\$22	\$27
2003	20	\$34	\$40
2004	17	\$33	\$38
2005	11	\$24	\$26
2006	14	\$27	\$29
2007	13	\$26	\$27
2008	12	\$32	\$33
2009	13	\$30	\$31
2010	12	\$32	\$32

Table 4-3. West Coast commercial HMS landings and revenues, 1981–2010.

Landings (round mt)														
			Tur	nas					S	harks				
								Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin			
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Unspecified	Swordfish	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Dorado	Total
1981	13,712	76,091	57,869	1,168	868	40	749	1,521			182	92	4	152,296
1982	5,410	61,769	,	968	2,404	51	1,112	1,848		28	351	27	1	115,873
1983	9,578	55,741	44,995	21	764	55	1,763	1,331	9	96	217	7	1	114,578
1984	12,654	35,063	31,251	126	635	1,014	2,890	1,279	9	57	160	2	4	85,144
1985	7,301	15,025	2,977	7	3,254	468	3,418	1,190	<0.5	95	149	1	<0.5	33,885
1986	5,243	21,517	1,361	29	4,731	143	2,530	974	<0.5	48	312	2	2	36,892
1987	3,160	23,201	5,724	50	823	129	1,803	562	2	20	403	2	<0.5	35,879
1988	4,912	19,520	8,863	6	804	11	1,636	500	1	9	322	3	<0.5	36,587
1989	2,214	17,615	4,505	1	1,019	77	1,358	504	<0.5	17	255	6	<0.5	27,571
1990	3,028	8,509	2,256	2	925	46	1,236	357	1	31	373	20	1	16,785
1991	1,676	4,178	3,407	7	104	11	1,029	584		32	219	1	<0.5	11,248
1992	4,902	3,350	2,586	7	1,087	10	1,546	292	<0.5	22	142	1	3	13,948
1993	6,166	3,795	4,539	26	559	16	1,767	275	1	44	122	<0.5	17	17,327
1994	10,751	5,056	2,111	47	916	33	1,700	330	<0.5	37	128	12	41	21,162
1995	6,530	3,038	7,037	49	714	1	1,162	270	5	31	95	5	5	18,942
1996	14,173	3,347	5,455	62	4,688	3	1,198	319	1	20	96	1	10	29,373
1997	11,292	4,775	6,070	82	2,251	11	1,459	320	35	32	132	1	5	26,465
1998	13,915	5,799	5,846	53	1,949	12	1,408	361	2	11	100	3	3	29,462
1999	9,770	1,353	3,759	108	186	12	2,033	320	10	5	63	<0.5	17	17,636
2000	9,074	1,159	780	86	313	1	2,645	296		5	80	1	43	14,486
2001	11,191	655	58	53	196	1	2,195	373	2	2	46	2	16	14,790
2002	10,029	544	236	10	11	2	1,725	301	2		82	41	<0.5	12,983
2003	16,671	465	349	35	36	<0.5	2,135	301	4	6	70	1	6	20,079
2004	14,540	488	307	22	10	9	1,186	115	2	5	54	1	1	16,740
2005	9,055	285	523	10	207	<0.5	297	179	<0.5	10	33	1	<0.5	10,600
2006	12,786	77	48	35	1	1	541	160	<0.5	4	46	<0.5	3	13,702
2007	11,586	104	5	13	45	<0.5	550	204	2	5	45	10	2	12,571
2008	11,131	65	3	27	1	1	531	147	<0.5	6	35	<0.5	2	11,949
2009	12,307	45	5	12	415		407	106	<0.5	7	30	1	1	13,336
2010	11,855	1	1	31	1	1	367	95	<0.5	1	21	<0.5	4	12,378

Table 4-4. West Coast commercial landings of HMS by all HMS and non-HMS gears, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 16, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in

each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

							Revenues (\$	5)						
			Tun	as						Sharks				
								Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin			
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Unspecified	Swordfish	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Dorado	Total
1981	26,524,145	98,722,280	66,331,030	1,569,755	1,239,005	72,694	3,355,010	1,475,634			162,347	59,064	2,801	199,513,765
1982	8,033,073	74,468,306	40,507,405	1,208,147	2,690,102	98,923	5,115,995	1,980,592		15,168	339,209	18,826	956	134,476,702
1983	12,242,167	59,475,802	36,652,119	45,946	1,062,909	95,490	6,800,233	1,474,213	8,449	91,455	229,826	4,645	695	118,183,949
1984	17,208,448	37,038,204	24,790,704	174,405	904,956	2,590,391	11,621,524	1,642,178	7,723	47,119	189,794	2,470	4,272	96,222,188
1985	8,292,769	14,690,108	2,118,170	17,693	2,819,048	1,028,867	13,415,105	1,817,135	716	96,433	192,917	2,132	377	44,491,470
1986	6,178,084	18,079,443	904,609	90,227	4,636,698	198,248	12,726,490	1,690,791	194	66,647	428,259	1,320	757	45,001,767
1987	5,127,832	27,878,667	4,426,717	176,504	2,057,402	448,231	11,115,940	1,184,091	1,840	22,123	715,138	1,853	357	53,156,695
1988	9,117,601	27,030,132	9,249,827	26,156	2,070,411	80,548	9,719,489	979,905	821	9,764	649,799	2,275	527	58,937,255
1989	3,785,613	20,824,242	3,944,894	2,415	1,271,718	127,320	8,259,204	944,161	149	24,711	552,576	3,465	485	39,740,953
1990	5,620,990	9,383,584	1,898,875	8,771	1,149,381	56,750	7,146,946	638,630	1,682	34,628	739,193	10,303	1,943	26,691,676
1991	2,823,937	3,996,935	2,692,345	42,810	116,371	21,161	6,342,361	968,877		25,179	415,168	894	1,167	17,447,205
1992	11,483,392	3,677,441	1,410,546	44,731	1,129,626	21,228	7,566,616	464,018	602	14,629	231,063	1,816	6,247	26,051,955
1993	11,697,562	4,821,735	3,282,778	211,513	752,369	72,678	8,953,927	458,513	462	28,190	221,401	622	42,223	30,543,973
1994	20,188,895	4,522,321	1,751,209	307,147	1,674,099	55,245	9,596,037	584,318	42	33,478	247,088	16,057	74,889	39,050,825
1995	11,572,603	3,044,670	4,752,641	258,727	1,057,948	5,136	6,569,451	477,901	8,777	24,896	165,215	2,796	5,479	27,946,240
1996	27,222,294	3,230,957	3,986,113	260,306	4,035,455	28,296	6,063,794	603,006	1,557	17,745	167,111	587	9,815	45,627,036
1997	19,924,121	4,991,131	5,504,526	359,780	2,773,705	21,895	6,147,707	591,268	62,496	34,768	227,426	327	10,858	40,650,008
1998	18,895,247	5,861,959	5,213,131	271,919	2,965,485	61,688	5,981,719	625,489	2,584	9,428	176,313	5,996	10,492	40,081,450
1999	17,771,262	1,468,209	2,748,208	657,121	1,061,233	60,572	8,445,728	617,691	18,424	5,876	111,119	73	47,854	33,013,370
2000	17,188,570	1,329,357	483,242	576,919	580,722	2,298	11,753,472	589,035	2,738	4,636	133,621	720	63,293	32,708,623
2001	20,680,501	465,558	33,633	320,855	473,557	3,069	8,696,689	595,548	2,767	8,428	75,799	1,294	19,397	31,377,095
2002	14,256,910	588,677	128,245	87,304	43,477	6,325	6,403,254	503,487	1,946		124,521	18,510	725	22,163,381
2003	24,435,697	451,273	159,961	262,768	76,106	21	7,851,693	487,796	2,814	3,779	115,728	390	10,370	33,858,396
2004	27,414,167	446,577	109,254	147,696	38,312	54,879	4,835,731	197,188	2,500	4,060	98,827	489	5,637	33,355,317
2005	20,823,045	315,699	292,193	60,141	136,847	913	1,899,245	271,767	588	6,234	57,788	426	1,290	23,866,176
2006	23,776,441	174,912	40,350	205,677	3,790	1,895	2,748,856	301,669	271	4,509	79,586	309	17,984	27,356,249
2007	21,633,438	149,568	4,361	94,734	58,106	46	3,131,178	337,770	2,903	4,334	78,569	1,984	10,092	25,507,083
2008	28,853,123	125,508	3,675	205,536	3,340	3,485	2,372,762	280,885	434	5,459	67,255	177	9,192	31,930,831
2009	27,584,153	166,620	5,332	97,103	443,095		1,929,884	197,718	72	5,453	54,463	2,361	4,183	30,490,437
2010	29,572,460	6,861	1,899	241,834	4,985	6,356	2,184,610	155,259	100	924	35,565	177	15,851	32,226,881

Table 4-5. West Coast nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues from HMS landings by all HMS and non-HMS gears, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 16, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

						Re	venues (201	0 \$)						
			Tuna	IS						Sharks				
								Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin			
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Unspecified	Swordfish	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Dorado	Total
1981	56,207,132	209,201,696	140,561,623	3,326,456	2,625,568	154,044	7,109,578	3,127,006			344,029	125,162	5,935	422,788,229
1982	16,043,686	148,728,393	80,901,548	2,412,915	5,372,683	197,569	10,217,685	3,955,647		30,294	677,470	37,598	1,909	268,577,397
1983	23,520,014	114,266,671	70,417,136	88,272	2,042,092	183,459	13,064,809	2,832,302	16,233	175,706	441,548	8,924	1,335	227,058,501
1984	31,861,597	68,576,568	45,900,211	322,912	1,675,535	4,796,133	21,517,356	3,040,507	14,299	87,240	351,405	4,574	7,909	, ,
1985	14,904,329	26,402,064	3,806,920	31,799	5,066,586	1,849,151	24,110,542	3,265,879	1,288	173,315	346,723	3,831	677	79,963,104
1986	10,863,521	31,790,826	1,590,661	158,654	8,153,153	348,599	22,378,214	2,973,081	342	117,192	753,048	2,322	1,331	79,130,944
1987	8,762,529	47,639,553	7,564,451	301,614	3,515,724	765,945	18,995,113	2,023,395	3,144	37,804	1,222,041	3,167	610	90,835,090
1988	15,062,946	44,655,762	15,281,393	43,212	3,420,471	133,071	16,057,310	1,618,876	1,356	16,130	1,073,515	3,758	870	97,368,670
1989	6,026,127	33,149,065	6,279,679	3,844	2,024,384	202,675	13,147,412	1,502,963	237	39,336	879,618	5,516	773	63,261,629
1990	8,615,865	14,383,176	2,910,599	13,444	1,761,773	86,986	10,954,853	978,893	2,578	53,078	1,133,037	15,793	2,977	40,913,052
1991	4,179,895	5,916,126	3,985,117	63,367	172,249	31,322	9,387,746	1,434,099		37,269	614,517	1,323	1,728	25,824,758
1992	16,604,094	5,317,295	2,039,540	64,678	1,633,352	30,693	10,940,741	670,934	871	21,152	334,099	2,626	9,032	37,669,107
1993	16,547,689	6,820,957	4,643,907	299,213	1,064,322	102,813	12,666,469	648,624	653	39,879	313,200	879	59,730	43,208,335
1994	27,970,207	6,265,338	2,426,169	425,529	2,319,339	76,537	13,294,592	809,529	58	46,381	342,322	22,246	103,753	54,102,000
1995	15,706,573	4,132,289	6,450,381	351,149	1,435,869	6,971	8,916,193	648,616	11,912	33,790	224,234	3,795	7,436	37,929,208
1996	36,257,717	4,303,353	5,309,154	346,705	5,374,873	37,687	8,076,444	803,151	2,074	23,635	222,578	782	13,073	60,771,226
1997	26,075,279	6,532,039	7,203,935	470,855	3,630,029	28,655	8,045,684	773,810	81,790	45,501	297,639	428	14,211	53,199,855
1998	24,453,535	7,586,332	6,746,643	351,908	3,837,822	79,834	7,741,322	809,485	3,344	12,202	228,178	7,760	13,578	51,871,943
1999	22,664,535	1,872,477	3,504,920	838,058	1,353,440	77,251	10,771,239	787,771	23,497	7,493	141,715	94	61,031	42,103,521
2000	21,456,210	1,659,415	603,223	720,159	724,906	2,869	14,671,666	735,282	3,417	5,787	166,797	899	79,007	40,829,637
2001	25,244,752	568,309	41,056	391,669	578,073	3,746	, ,	726,988	3,378	10,288	92,529	1,579	23,679	38,302,121
2002	17,127,474	707,204	154,067	104,882	52,231	7,599	7,692,521	604,862	2,337		149,593	22,237	870	26,625,877
2003	28,737,737	530,723	188,123	309,030	89,505	25	9,234,027	573,675	3,309	4,445	136,102	459	12,196	39,819,356
2004	31,348,389	510,666	124,933	168,891	43,810	62,754	5,529,710	225,486	2,859	4,642	113,009	560	6,446	38,142,155
2005	23,041,989	349,341	323,330	66,550	151,429	1,010	2,101,632	300,727	651	6,898	63,946	471	1,427	26,409,401
2006	25,481,128	187,453	43,243	220,423	4,062	2,030	2,945,939	323,297	290	4,832	85,292	331	19,273	29,317,593
2007	22,523,101	155,719	4,540	98,630	60,496	47	3,259,945	351,661	3,022	4,512	81,800	2,066	10,507	26,556,046
2008	29,396,967	127,874	3,744	209,410	3,403	3,551	2,417,486	286,179	442	5,562	68,523	181	9,366	32,532,688
	27,848,716	168,218	5,383	98,035	447,345		1,948,393	199,615	73	5,505	54,986	2,384	4,223	30,782,876
2010	29,572,460	6,861	1,899	241,834	4,985	6,356	2,184,610	155,259	100	924	35,565	177	15,851	32,226,881

Table 4-6. West Coast real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) from HMS landings by all HMS and non-HMS gears, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 16, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator,

with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

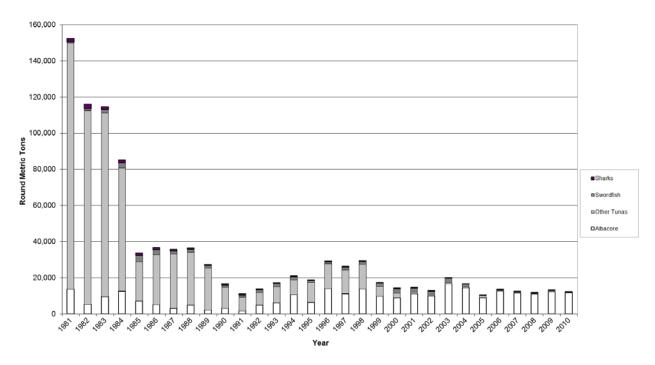


Figure 4-2. West Coast commercial landings of albacore, other tunas, swordfish, and sharks, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–2 shows West Coast HMS commercial landings in round metric tons grouped into categories of similar species. The accompanying table shows the numeric values for the landings in metric tons.

The principal species targeted are the tunas, with albacore gradually supplanting other tunas as a share of the catch over the period from 1981 through 2010.Swordfish, followed by sharks, comprises a far smaller share of recent total landings, with a steadily declining share in recent years.

The most striking feature of Figure 4-2 is a large drop in aggregate commercial landings from a level of about 150,000 mt in 1981 to levels near 20,000 mt by 1990. The drop is primarily explained by the substantial decline in tuna landings during the 1980s for species other than albacore.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011. They replicate a portion of Table 4–4, which displays West Coast commercial landings of HMS by species. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data.

		Landing	s (round mt)		
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	Sharks	Total
1981	13,712	136,036	749	1,795	152,292
1982	5,410	107,096	1,112	2,254	115,872
1983	9,578	101,576	1,763	1,660	114,577
1984	12,654	68,089	2,890	1,507	85,140
1985	7,301	21,731	3,418	1,435	33,885
1986	5,243	27,781	2,530	1,336	36,890
1987	3,160	29,927	1,803	989	35,879
1988	4,912	29,204	1,636	835	36,587
1989	2,214	23,217	1,358	782	27,571
1990	3,028	11,738	1,236	782	16,784
1991	1,676	7,707	1,029	836	11,248
1992	4,902	7,040	1,546	457	13,945
1993	6,166	8,935	1,767	442	17,310
1994	10,751	8,163	1,700	507	21,121
1995	6,530	10,839	1,162	406	18,937
1996	14,173	13,555	1,198	437	29,363
1997	11,292	13,189	1,459	520	26,460
1998	13,915	13,659	1,408	477	29,459
1999	9,770	5,418	2,033	398	17,619
2000	9,074	2,339	2,645	385	14,443
2001	11,191	963	2,195	425	14,774
2002	10,029	803	1,725	426	12,983
2003	16,671	885	2,135	382	20,073
2004	14,540	836	1,186	177	16,739
2005	9,055	1,025	297	223	10,600
2006	12,786	162	541	210	13,699
2007	11,586	167	550	266	12,569
2008	11,131	97	531	188	11,947
2009	12,307	477	407	144	13,335
2010	11,855	35	367	117	12,374

 Table 4-7. West Coast commercial landings of albacore, other tunas, swordfish, and sharks, 1981–2010.

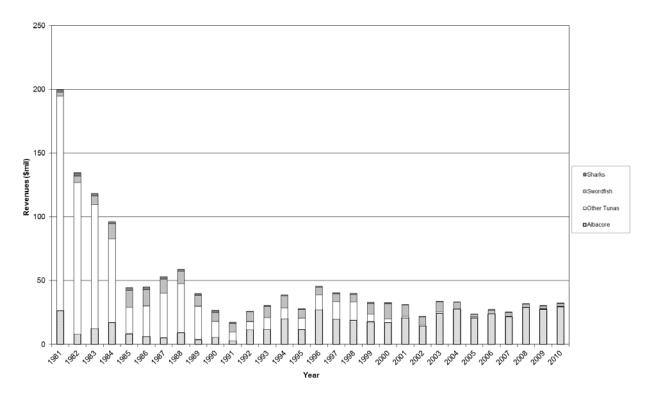


Figure 4-3. West Coast commercial revenues for albacore, other tunas, swordfish, and sharks, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–3 shows West Coast HMS commercial revenues in current dollars grouped into categories of similar species. Table 4–8 shows the numeric values for the revenues. Tables 4–9 through 4–23 show landings as well as nominal and real ex-vessel revenues by fishery.

The principal component of revenues is the tunas, with albacore gradually supplanting other tunas as a share of the revenues over the period from 1981 through 2010.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Data were obtained by copying from or summing across applicable columns of Table 4–5. Current dollar revenues were computed as the sum total of landed weights in pounds multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

			Revenues (\$)		
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	Sharks	Total
1981	26,524,145	167,934,764	3,355,010	1,697,045	199,510,964
1982	8,033,073	118,972,883	5,115,995	2,353,795	134,475,746
1983	12,242,167	97,332,266	6,800,233	1,808,588	118,183,254
1984	17,208,448	65,498,660	11,621,524	1,889,284	96,217,916
1985	8,292,769	20,673,886	13,415,105	2,109,333	44,491,093
1986	6,178,084	23,909,225	12,726,490	2,187,211	45,001,010
1987	5,127,832	34,987,521	11,115,940	1,925,045	53,156,338
1988	9,117,601	38,457,074	9,719,489	1,642,564	58,936,728
1989	3,785,613	26,170,589	8,259,204	1,525,062	39,740,468
1990	5,620,990	12,497,361	7,146,946	1,424,436	26,689,733
1991	2,823,937	6,869,622	6,342,361	1,410,118	17,446,038
1992	11,483,392	6,283,572	7,566,616	712,128	26,045,708
1993	11,697,562	9,141,073	8,953,927	709,188	30,501,750
1994	20,188,895	8,310,021	9,596,037	880,983	38,975,936
1995	11,572,603	9,119,122	6,569,451	679,585	27,940,761
1996	27,222,294	11,541,127	6,063,794	790,006	45,617,221
1997	19,924,121	13,651,037	6,147,707	916,285	40,639,150
1998	18,895,247	14,374,182	5,981,719	819,810	40,070,958
1999	17,771,262	5,995,343	8,445,728	753,183	32,965,516
2000	17,188,570	2,972,538	11,753,472	730,750	32,645,330
2001	20,680,501	1,296,672	8,696,689	683,836	31,357,698
2002	14,256,910	854,028	6,403,254	648,464	22,162,656
2003	24,435,697	950,129	7,851,693	610,507	33,848,026
2004	27,414,167	796,718	4,835,731	303,064	33,349,680
2005	20,823,045	805,793	1,899,245	336,803	23,864,886
2006	23,776,441	426,624	2,748,856	386,344	27,338,265
2007	21,633,438	306,815	3,131,178	425,560	25,496,991
2008	28,853,123	341,544	2,372,762	354,210	31,921,639
2009	27,584,153	712,150	1,929,884	260,067	30,486,254
2010	29,572,460	261,935	2,184,610	192,025	32,211,030

Table 4-8. West Coast commercial revenues for albacore, other tunas, swordfish, and sharks, 1981–2010.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	13,493	14		<0.5	<0.5	4	2	37	1	13,551
1982	4,977	4	4	2	1	4	<0.5	3	<0.5	4,995
1983	9,309	16	3	1	<0.5	23	34	14	1	9,401
1984	8,909	13	25	5	<0.5	5	2	1	4	8,964
1985	7,010	2	11	4	<0.5	4	<0.5	2	2	7,035
1986	4,980	2	1	<0.5		20	<0.5	2	1	5,006
1987	2,891	<0.5	5	2		2	1	1	1	2,903
1988	4,629	<0.5	18	2		1	<0.5	2	1	4,653
1989	2,167	1	7	8	<0.5	10	<0.5	2	2	2,197
1990	2,926	<0.5	2	<0.5	<0.5	3	<0.5	1	1	2,933
1991	1,641	<0.5	2	1		<0.5		1	<0.5	1,645
1992	4,756	1	13	2	<0.5	7		1	<0.5	4,780
1993	5,778	18	90	5	9	4		3	2	5,909
1994	10,606	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	1		<0.5	1	10,609
1995	6,407	1	1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	8	1	6,418
1996	13,207	42	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5		10	1	13,260
1997	10,825	8	1	1	<0.5	5	<0.5	12	2	10,854
1998	12,724	116	4	3	<0.5	2	<0.5	5	2	12,856
1999	8,794	24	15	1	<0.5	1	<0.5	2	4	8,841
2000	8,098	2	22	<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	3	1	8,127
2001	10,220	10	<0.5	1	<0.5	3	<0.5	9	6	10,249
2002	9,293	2	2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	7	4	9,308
2003	13,490	3		<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	4	2	13,500
2004	13,393	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	4	3	13,401
2005	8,217	<0.5		<0.5		1		3	1	8,222
2006	12,374	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	< 0.5	1	12,376
2007	11,143	<0.5			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	1	11,145
2008	9,768	6	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	3	9,777
2009	11,612	7	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	2	11,622
2010	10,865	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		3	<0.5	10,868

Table 4-9. Commercial landings (round mt) in the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 18, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	13,493	14		<0.5	<0.5	4	2	37	1	13,551
1982	4,988	4	4	2	1	4	<0.5	3	<0.5	5,006
1983	9,341	16	3	1	<0.5	23	34	14	1	9,433
1984	8,912	13	25	5	<0.5	5	2	1	4	8,967
1985	7,010	2	11	4	<0.5	4	<0.5	2	2	7,035
1986	4,980	2	1	<0.5		20	<0.5	2	1	5,006
1987	2,891	<0.5	5	2		2	1	1	1	2,903
1988	4,630	<0.5	18	2		1	<0.5	2	1	4,654
1989	2,167	1	7	8	<0.5	10	<0.5	2	2	2,197
1990	2,926	<0.5	2	<0.5	<0.5	3	<0.5	1	1	2,933
1991	1,641	<0.5	2	1		<0.5		1	<0.5	1,645
1992	4,815	1	13	2	<0.5	7		1	<0.5	4,839
1993	5,800	18	90	5	9	4		3	1	5,930
1994	10,629	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	1		<0.5	1	10,632
1995	6,474	1	1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	8	1	6,485
1996	14,075	42	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5		10	1	14,128
1997	11,223	8	1	1	<0.5	5	<0.5	12	3	11,253
1998	13,685	116	4	3	<0.5	2	<0.5	5	2	13,817
1999	9,506	24	15	1	<0.5	1	<0.5	2	5	9,554
2000	8,986	2	22	<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	3	2	9,016
2001	11,015	10	<0.5	1	<0.5	3	<0.5	9	6	11,044
2002	9,995	2	2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	7	4	10,010
2003	16,608	3		<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	4	2	16,618
2004	14,523	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	4	3	14,531
2005	9,028	<0.5		<0.5		1		3	1	9,033
2006	12,772	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	12,774
2007	11,500	<0.5			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	1	11,502
2008	11,128	6	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	3	11,137
2009	12,263	7	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	2	12,273
2010	11,823	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		3	<0.5	11,826

Table 4-10. Commercial landings (round mt) in the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 19, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

			S	harks				1	unas							
	Sword-	Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin			Yellow-					Ground-	Coastal		
Year	fish	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Albacore	fin	Bigeye	Bluefin	Other	Dorado	fish	Pelagics	Other	
1981	469	1,438			154	14	1	3		<0.5	6		6	10	127	2,229
1982	929	1,711		23	325	4	6	5	2	1	16	<0.5	5	12	42	3,081
1983	1,651	1,223	9	90	201	2	69	17	9	1	32	<0.5	<0.5	17	109	3,430
1984	2,632	981	9	54	132	<0.5	140	11	2	4	8	<0.5	5	4	211	4,193
1985	3,010	857	<0.5	90	129	<0.5	150	9	2	3	1	<0.5	1	2	166	4,420
1986	2,108	796	<0.5	34	250	1	138	8	3	-	4		<0.5	7	94	3,446
1987	1,526	381	2	18	208	1	86	3	5	1	5	<0.5	2	9	47	2,294
1988	1,373	426	1	7	106	<0.5	54	3	5	2	2	<0.5	<0.5	1	41	2,021
1989	1,239	427	<0.5	16	117		13	1	<0.5	3	8	< 0.5		1	<0.5	1,880
1990	1,126	266	1	30	229	<0.5	11	1	1	9	4	<0.5		8	<0.5	1,741
1991	936	542		31	125	< 0.5	15	1	3	4	6			3	40	1,706
1992	1,350	256	<0.5	18	118	1	39	3	1	8	5			1	55	1,855
1993	1,409	243	1	41	87	<0.5	170	5	<0.5	28	10	< 0.5	<0.5	3	65	2,062
1994	801	292	<0.5	32	80	<0.5	53	< 0.5	<0.5	24	2	< 0.5	4	2	120	1,410
1995	772	229	5	30	79	<0.5	34	1	<0.5	18	13	< 0.5	2	2	96	1,281
1996	762	294	1	20	85	<0.5	68	1	<0.5	39	2		1	6	140	1,419
1997	708	289	35	29	119	<0.5	46	3	5	52	2	< 0.5	1	4	111	1,404
1998	931	332	2	11	88	1	65	1	4	38	4	< 0.5	1	2	163	1,643
1999	605	221	10	5	52	<0.5	97	< 0.5	1	17	1		1	<0.5	114	1,124
2000	650	207	3	4	64	<0.5	42	1	2	27	< 0.5	< 0.5	2	2	100	1,104
2001	371	320	1	1	31		54	3	<0.5	13	<0.5	<0.5	2	1	69	866
2002	301	271	2		69		15	1		3	<0.5		3	1	84	750
2003	217	280	4	6	57	<0.5	9	<0.5	6	11	7		1	1	65	664
2004	182	94	2	5	38		11	<0.5		10	<0.5		2	1	58	403
2005	220	167	<0.5	10	25		8	1		5	<0.5	< 0.5	1	<0.5	60	497
2006	443	132	<0.5	4	38		3	<0.5		1	3	<0.5	1	2	113	740
2007	490	184	2	5	37	9		<0.5		2	<0.5		2	<0.5	141	875
2008	405	128		6	27		1	< 0.5		1	< 0.5	< 0.5	3	4	119	694
2009	251	81		7	25	1	3	< 0.5		3	< 0.5		< 0.5	< 0.5		493
2010	59	68		1	17	< 0.5	5			1		<0.5		< 0.5		238

Table 4-11. Commercial landings (round mt) in the West Coast drift gillnet fishery, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown. Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 19, 2011.

Note 1: There is no drift gillnet gear for Washington.

Note 2: Significantly higher landings prior to 1994 are reported for the swordfish and HMS shark drift gillnet fishery in this year's HMS SAFE report, for all HMS and non-HMS species except groundfish, due to PacFIN gear corrections for gears that were previously mis-assigned to California entangling net, trammel net, several trawl, encircling net, set gillnet and unknown gears, and therefore not previously reported. Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of swordfish or any HMS shark was landed for the drift gillnet fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in

each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

			Tur	nas			
Year	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Albacore	Other	Dorado	Other	Total
1981	272	10	2	<0.5		4	288
1982	156	2		<0.5		1	159
1983	58	1				44	103
1984	105	7	<0.5	<0.5		1	113
1985	275	1	<0.5	<0.5		1	277
1986	296	1	<0.5	<0.5		1	298
1987	237	3	1	1		40	282
1988	199	3	1			<0.5	203
1989	62	1	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5	63
1990	65	3		<0.5		<0.5	68
1991	20	1				<0.5	21
1992	75	3	<0.5	<0.5		1	79
1993	169	1	1			1	172
1994	157	1	<0.5			<0.5	158
1995	97	2				<0.5	99
1996	81	1	<0.5			1	83
1997	84	3	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	87
1998	48	1				<0.5	49
1999	81	<0.5				2	83
2000	90	<0.5	<0.5			5	95
2001	52	1			<0.5	1	54
2002	90	1				1	92
2003	107	<0.5				<0.5	107
2004	69	1				<0.5	70
2005	76	1				1	78
2006	72	3				<0.5	75
2007	59	<0.5					59
2008	48	1					49
2009	50	1				<0.5	51
2010	36	1				<0.5	36

Table 4-12. Commercial landings (round mt) in the West Coast harpoon fishery, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 20, 2011.

Note 1: Only California has harpoon landings.

Note 2: Some of the non-swordfish species may have been taken by dual-gear permit holders,

who may have fished with drift gillnets but landed under harpoon.

Additional processing info:

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights

by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

			Tun				Sword-	HMS		Ground-	Coastal		
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Unspecified	fish	sharks	Dorado	fish	Pelagics	Other	Total
1981	181	75,063	54,338	1,156	854	28					203	2	131,825
1982	367	60,665	39,905	962	2,400	27					29		104,355
1983	11	52,217	42,191		754	12	1	<0.5			25	1	95,212
1984	3,552	33,326		117	624	1,011	23	1			268	2	68,865
1985	22	14,609	2,504	1	3,240	467	1	<0.5			308	<0.5	21,152
1986	54	21,018	977	8	4,698	136	41	2			65	1	27,000
1987	43	21,527	5,353	42	820	122		3			13	8	27,931
1988	151	18,470	7,391	<0.5	795	7					63		26,878
1989	24	16,118	3,565		1,007	70	1	<0.5	<0.5		29	<0.5	20,814
1990	71	8,354	2,244		876	39					137		11,721
1991		3,497	2,957		100	8					94	3	6,659
1992	8	1,721	1,159	1	1,064	3	-	2	1	<0.5	323	7	4,299
1993	1	951	1,619	2	497	<0.5	17	1	<0.5	<0.5	91	11	3,190
1994		3,566	1,283		880	8					66	123	5,926
1995		2,795	5,616		689						38	39	9,177
1996	11	2,683	5,049		4,639						244	53	12,679
1997	2	4,659	5,926		2,189	7	1	1	1		33	73	12,892
1998	136	3,753	5,310		1,739						256	159	11,353
1999	48	1,297	3,742		99						56	89	5,331
2000	4	1,152	775		255						218		2,404
2001	51	631	55		149						42		928
2002	<0.5	541	236				1					<0.5	778
2003	44	463	337		19								862
2004	1	484	306										791
2005		283	522		201						19		1,026
2006		*	*										*
2007	77	99	5		42						140		364
2008	*	*	*								*		*
2009	39	15	4		410						474		943
2010	*												*

Table 4-13. Commercial landings (round mt) in the West Coast purse seine fishery, 1981–2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of

summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 20, 2011.

Note: There is no purse seine gear for Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any HMS tuna was landed for the purse seine fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in

each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	26,087,739	17,982		173	72	2,508	991	133,177	1,406	26,244,048
1982	7,349,782	5,500	13,219	2,771	557	5,676	13	13,834	535	7,391,887
1983	11,879,532	14,586	7,531	1,597	33	20,309	15,495	36,075	3,880	11,979,038
1984	12,146,877	20,053	96,217	6,080	706	6,947	928	6,422	4,278	12,288,508
1985	7,994,910	4,278	30,921	7,017	6	6,384	239	10,802	2,311	8,056,868
1986	5,867,829	7,248	6,427	180		19,050	160	9,451	659	5,911,004
1987	4,690,640	1,150	33,310	3,440		2,305	657	6,838	436	4,738,776
1988	8,547,233	952	96,331	3,566		766	614	11,362	538	8,661,362
1989	3,692,159	1,833	34,556	11,295	31	18,112	1	8,305	2,504	3,768,796
1990	5,414,995	79	13,332	560	74	6,163	85	2,792	1,529	5,439,609
1991	2,760,714	71	11,721	602		189		3,479	1,084	2,777,860
1992	11,078,583	2,195	55,452	2,361	281	6,144		6,120	670	11,151,806
1993	10,882,080	154,056	442,687	7,992	23,216	4,992		10,385	1,806	11,527,214
1994	19,936,113	603	6,797	302	180	590		537	345	19,945,467
1995	11,359,888	914	3,204	173	21	152	16	22,290	3,028	11,389,686
1996	25,487,600	38,596	2,608	295		440		26,524	998	25,557,061
1997	19,093,866	14,949	4,390	1,628	371	11,951	89	37,637	3,725	19,168,606
1998	17,503,716	138,138	17,122	5,018	525	4,788	279	16,340	5,264	17,691,190
1999	16,139,022	115,448	77,899	2,623	1,413	4,347	455	9,742	7,708	16,358,657
2000	15,344,331	4,497	97,814	223	298	1,889	522	9,445	5,233	15,464,252
2001	18,743,953	27,752	2,037	2,210	544	7,801	178	33,018	12,398	18,829,891
2002	13,168,361	6,838	9,996	664	170	904	1,241	21,797	7,789	13,217,760
2003	19,626,793	11,045		62	567	2,764	558	14,013	5,709	19,661,511
2004	24,324,409	2,513		520	655	1,834	1,241	22,741	3,332	24,357,245
2005	18,507,118	1,437		181		1,587		12,332	3,318	18,525,973
2006	22,832,059	1,575		252	167	985	124	3,480	991	22,839,633
2007	20,669,326	1,222			223	1,942	82	3,958	1,420	20,678,173
2008	24,847,705	49,130	1,200		479	1,308	3,193	5,091	6,629	24,914,735
2009	25,916,055	11,639	291	658	248	484	92	3,446	2,048	25,934,961
2010	26,395,019	531		52	531	270		34,462	534	26,431,399

Table 4-14. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) for the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 18, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype." Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	26,087,739	17,982		173	72	2,508	991	133,177	1,406	26,244,048
1982	7,364,640	5,500	13,219	2,771	557	5,676	13	13,834	535	7,406,745
1983	11,917,582	14,586	7,531	1,597	33	20,309	15,495	36,075	3,879	12,017,087
1984	12,150,161	20,053	96,217	6,080	706	6,947	928	6,422	4,278	12,291,792
1985	7,994,910	4,278	30,921	7,017	6	6,384	239	10,802	2,311	8,056,868
1986	5,867,829	7,248	6,427	180		19,050	160	9,451	659	5,911,004
1987	4,690,640	1,150	33,310	3,440		2,305	657	6,838	436	4,738,776
1988	8,550,083	952	96,331	3,566		766	614	11,362	538	8,664,212
1989	3,692,159	1,833	34,556	11,295	31	18,112	1	8,305	2,504	3,768,796
1990	5,414,995	79	13,332	560	74	6,163	85	2,792	1,529	5,439,609
1991	2,760,714	71	11,721	602		189		3,479	1,084	2,777,860
1992	11,218,614	2,195	55,452	2,361	281	6,144		6,120	670	11,291,837
1993	10,923,548	154,056	442,687	7,992	23,216	4,992		10,385	1,806	11,568,682
1994	19,977,732	603	6,797	302	180	590		537	345	19,987,086
1995	11,481,279	914	3,204	173	21	152	16	22,290	3,029	11,511,078
1996	27,080,019	38,596	2,608	295		440		26,524	997	27,149,479
1997	19,811,178	15,026	4,390	1,628	484	11,951	89	37,637	3,725	19,886,108
1998	18,604,129	138,138	17,122	5,018	525	4,788	279	16,340	5,263	18,791,602
1999	17,402,696	115,448	77,899	2,623	1,413	4,347	455	9,742	7,708	17,622,331
2000	17,040,770	4,497	97,814	223	298	1,889	522	9,445	5,233	17,160,691
2001	20,406,546	27,752	2,037	2,210	544	7,801	178	33,018	12,398	20,492,484
2002	14,210,280	6,838	9,996	664	170	904	1,241	21,797	7,789	14,259,679
2003	24,385,886	11,045		62	567	2,764	558	14,013	5,708	24,420,603
2004	27,375,701	2,513		520	655	1,834	1,241	22,741	3,332	27,408,537
2005	20,762,541	1,437		181		1,587		12,332	3,318	20,781,396
2006	23,731,153	1,575		252	167	985	124	3,480	991	23,738,727
2007	21,494,041	1,222			223	1,942	82	3,958	1,421	21,502,889
2008	28,847,990	49,130	1,200		479	1,308	3,193	5,091	6,630	28,915,021
2009	27,528,792	11,639	291	658	248	484	92	3,446	2,049	27,547,699
2010	29,493,379	531		52	531	270		34,462	535	29,529,760

Table 4-15. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) for the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 19, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

		Sharks					Tunas									
	Sword-	Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin			Yellow-					Ground-	Coastal		
Year	fish	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Albacore	fin	Bigeye	Bluefin	Other	Dorado	fish	Pelagics	Other	Total
1981	1,935,740	1,397,440			135,780	7,866	1,632	6,013	1,504	838	10,544		6,569	6,074	214,718	3,724,718
1982	4,150,231	1,833,663		12,978	312,560	2,736	9,730	8,867	3,450	1,075	26,990	15	5,820	7,690	53,330	6,429,135
1983	6,261,486	1,354,821	8,449	86,831	210,367	1,805	97,995	32,826	18,383	2,883	44,357	83	714	15,953	94,005	8,230,958
1984	10,410,348	1,321,903	7,579	44,009	156,302	162	175,292	22,891	5,940	7,222	5,474	14	8,410	4,145	166,613	12,336,304
1985	11,607,897	1,322,133	716	89,904	161,122	17	139,307	17,261	4,152	4,425	1,674	82	1,151	1,881	143,019	13,494,741
1986	10,319,454	1,308,565	194	41,409	339,508	729	158,392	17,580	7,537	6,477	7,306		311	7,603	93,336	12,308,401
1987	9,208,592	737,666	1,840	21,173	358,961	624	142,785	7,451	13,730	3,357	15,704	357	4,792	6,444	65,053	10,588,529
1988	7,856,080	826,179	821	7,663	194,512	259	104,227	8,534	21,077	9,668	8,577	183	444	637	73,459	9,112,320
1989	7,421,923	803,558	149	23,918	231,074		26,967	2,708	861	6,120	15,256	14		1,331	76,633	8,610,512
1990	6,332,028	490,791	1,682	34,145	426,465	61	22,933	3,223	3,829	26,561	9,978	98		1,901	102,654	7,456,349
1991	5,743,814	895,223		24,871	228,320	55	30,154	4,540	12,897	15,768	11,733			1,721	63,828	7,032,924
1992	6,379,684	405,080	602	12,860	186,356	284	89,259	13,177	2,707	22,687	10,290			622	83,935	7,207,543
1993	6,847,488	400,698	462	26,686	156,082	51	273,289	23,373	510	102,556	29,420	174	1,019	3,554	93,214	7,958,576
1994	4,786,469	533,434	42	27,389	152,761	7	92,466	1,004	2,332	124,353	9,695	40	5,498	854	165,859	5,902,203
1995	4,603,642	398,639	8,681	23,609	138,274	105	54,040	2,781	2,794	75,886	10,479	13	1,655	1,698	142,475	5,464,771
1996	4,074,303	549,161	1,557	17,165	147,616	86	113,980	2,393	1,246	120,956	2,966		1,084	2,791	218,407	5,253,711
1997	3,332,497	520,647	62,121	27,188	200,740	36	73,282	11,445	25,983	233,377	2,233	514	2,268	3,666	150,127	4,646,124
1998	4,078,263	564,305	2,534	9,270	150,781	4,842	80,083	3,913	19,454	188,727	7,335	2,457	1,481	1,835	231,252	5,346,532
1999	2,829,832	407,576	18,001	5,320	91,295	23	106,181	909	9,899	79,197	1,674		1,304	278	206,320	3,757,809
2000	2,814,819	405,074	2,209	3,943	106,299	169	68,945	943	17,921	107,264	732	545	1,298	2,348	170,616	3,703,125
2001	1,645,877	519,998	465	998	49,066		88,962	4,040	673	33,657	516	336	1,273	399	127,723	2,473,983
2002	1,515,987	451,543	1,946		101,276		20,343	1,517		10,451	88		2,429	1,005	233,486	2,340,071
2003	1,120,260	445,617	2,814	3,577	93,556	11	15,945	517	36,417	35,691	3,862		825	604	169,074	1,928,770
2004	944,192	157,739	2,500	3,795	67,289		25,354	697		37,186	146		2,024	386	169,284	1,410,592
2005	1,184,545	248,291	539	6,234	41,695		17,819	4,188		16,488	105	90	1,182	9	236,993	1,758,178
2006	1,996,530	248,444	218	4,455	62,904		4,079	1,755		2,959	2,970	87	1,346	2,221	320,805	2,648,773
2007	2,528,886	294,164	2,870	4,044	60,640	1,174	7,465	102		11,636	79		2,349	349	438,990	3,352,748
2008	1,708,969	237,491		5,419	49,255		1,705	813		2,515	102	52	3,129	3,108	415,817	2,428,375
2009	1,076,535	141,598		5,453	41,964	2,309	8,434	137		8,740	29		241	316	298,585	1,584,341
2010	392,878	100,756		924	26,744	72	14,001			3,870		200	115	116	312,973	852,649

Table 4-16. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) for the West Coast drift gillnet fishery, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 19, 2011.

Note 1: There is no drift gillnet gear for Washington.

Note 2: Significantly higher ex-vessel revenues prior to 1994 are reported for the swordfish and HMS shark drift gillnet fishery in this year's HMS SAFE report, for all HMS and non-HMS species except groundfish, due to PacFIN gear corrections for gears that were previously mis-assigned to California entangling net, trammel net, several trawl, encircling net, set gillnet and unknown gears, and therefore not previously reported. Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of swordfish or any HMS shark was landed for the drift gillnet fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

			Tunas				
Year	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Albacore	Other	Dorado	Other	Total
1981	1,371,646	10,204	3,952	385		12,029	1,398,216
1982	839,886	1,988		146		1,233	843,253
1983	318,044	1,962				9,752	329,758
1984	583,079	8,473	330	150		2,026	594,058
1985	1,280,993	1,721	225	247		1,751	1,284,937
1986	1,796,277	2,433	53	337		1,203	1,800,303
1987	1,647,710	5,053	4,150	2,076		84,568	1,743,557
1988	1,477,860	6,429	8,552			882	1,493,723
1989	500,435	1,527	2,106	65		1,256	505,389
1990	539,322	5,869		108		811	546,110
1991	179,949	2,025				70	182,044
1992	586,740	6,126	1,236	133		1,336	595,571
1993	1,132,762	1,890	7,730			1,000	1,143,382
1994	1,273,087	1,613	2,490			2,888	1,280,078
1995	760,108	4,078				1,752	765,938
1996	633,027	3,217	216			652	637,112
1997	683,211	5,567	200		90	675	689,743
1998	402,914	1,603				766	405,283
1999	608,982	811				5,851	615,644
2000	750,533	798	302			8,381	760,014
2001	468,289	1,152			50	2,748	472,239
2002	678,934	1,259				1,141	681,334
2003	839,197	562				1,768	841,527
2004	670,001	2,457				1,643	674,101
2005	709,760	1,229				1,921	712,910
2006	680,036	5,013				709	685,758
2007	597,707	1,305					599,012
2008	458,482	1,436					459,918
2009	466,645	1,846				589	469,080
2010	352,525	1,419				349	354,293

Table 4-17. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) for the West Coast harpoon fishery, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of

summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 20, 2011.

Note 1: Only California has revenues from harpoon landings.

Note 2: Some of the non-swordfish species may have been taken by dual-gear permit holders,

who may have fished with drift gillnets but landed under harpoon.

Additional processing info:

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

	Tunas							HMS		Ground-	Coastal		
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Unspecified	fish	Sharks	Dorado	fish	Pelagics	Other	Total
1981	362,636	97,391,144	62,318,736	1,552,545	1,219,984	54,643					119,029	1,456	163,020,173
1982	575,736	73,205,578	38,822,258	1,196,824	2,680,401	54,040					5,155		116,539,991
1983	15,349	55,980,011	34,377,044		1,042,089	24,989	1,796	261			6,638	587	91,448,764
1984	4,822,262	35,503,573	23,741,980	143,266	878,031	2,580,939	87,097	651			60,118	6,054	67,823,971
1985	28,953	14,191,940	1,713,118	810	2,797,571	1,026,024	7,080	460			50,191	956	19,817,103
1986	64,622	17,655,730	643,905	13,335	4,575,913	182,575	182,606	2,595			8,204	2,452	23,331,937
1987	69,499	26,028,704	4,116,606	150,602	2,049,722	427,505		900			2,005	8,980	32,854,523
1988	266,685	25,754,782	7,772,435	680	2,037,504	67,724					25,342		35,925,150
1989	45,978	19,139,726	3,113,729		1,231,363	112,194	6,955	270	128		6,300	138	23,656,781
1990	139,859	9,225,983	1,889,065		1,069,829	32,343					43,459		12,400,537
1991		3,399,732	2,298,693		98,226	7,985					36,458	3,315	5,844,409
1992	19,291	1,686,917	551,315	2,927	1,087,353	2,936	51,873	3,524	2,597	220	62,091	11,397	3,482,441
1993	1,202	1,051,265	1,047,039	4,229	569,367	880	98,722	1,599	175	14	16,833	10,658	2,801,983
1994		3,135,039	1,078,217		1,463,167	3,393					36,342	125,354	5,841,512
1995		2,811,700	3,801,888		943,602						15,670	20,463	7,593,323
1996	875	2,669,391	3,643,203		3,865,969						69,959	25,249	10,274,646
1997	3,654	4,795,089	5,326,959		2,504,396	4,195	6,666	1,909	1,425		17,321	51,754	12,713,368
1998	162,925	3,808,379	4,717,085		2,294,031						165,275	109,262	11,256,957
1999	33,416	1,397,578	2,732,409		360,132						5,340	59,908	4,588,783
2000	6,615	1,306,040	475,592		296,687						24,484		2,109,419
2001	62,841	411,133	28,595		336,831						5,092		844,492
2002	358	577,814	128,094				2,623					45	708,934
2003	16,153	442,370	152,188		14,874								625,584
2004	1,537	435,085	108,853										545,475
2005		304,037	291,183		119,162						1,708		716,090
2006		*	*										*
2007	119,394	119,395	3,958		45,267						55,587		343,600
2008	*	*	*								*		*
2009	41,701	14,185	3,655		426,987						334,695		821,222
2010	*												*

 Table 4-18.
 Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) for the West Coast purse seine fishery, 1981–2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 20, 2011.

Note: There is no purse seine gear for Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any HMS tuna was landed for the purse seine fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	55,282,345	38,106		366	152	5,314	2,101	282,214	2,982	55,613,580
1982	14,679,013	10,984	26,401	5,533	1,112	11,337	25	27,629	1,071	14,763,105
1983	22,823,309	28,022	14,468	3,069	63	39,018	29,769	69,308	7,456	23,014,482
1984	22,490,052	37,129	178,147	11,256	1,308	12,862	1,718	11,891	7,921	22,752,284
1985	14,368,997	7,688	55,574	12,612	11	11,474	430	19,415	4,151	14,480,352
1986	10,317,969	12,744	11,301	317		33,498	282	16,619	1,158	10,393,888
1987	8,015,447	1,964	56,920	5,878		3,938	1,122	11,684	751	8,097,704
1988	14,120,656	1,572	159,146	5,891		1,266	1,014	18,772	888	14,309,205
1989	5,877,363	2,919	55,009	17,980	49	28,831	2	13,220	3,984	5,999,357
1990	8,300,114	121	20,435	858	113	9,447	131	4,279	2,345	8,337,843
1991	4,086,314	105	17,350	891		280		5,150	1,603	4,111,693
1992	16,018,772	3,174	80,179	3,414	407	8,884		8,850	967	16,124,647
1993	15,394,087	217,932	626,237	11,305	32,842	7,062		14,691	2,555	16,306,711
1994	27,619,996	835	9,417	418	249	818		744	478	27,632,955
1995	15,417,871	1,241	4,349	234	28	206	22	30,253	4,111	15,458,315
1996	33,947,257	51,407	3,473	393		586		35,328	1,328	34,039,772
1997	24,988,700	19,565	5,746	2,130	486	15,640	117	49,257	4,874	25,086,515
1998	22,652,668	178,773	22,158	6,495	679	6,196	361	21,146	6,813	22,895,289
1999	20,582,862	147,237	99,348	3,345	1,802	5,544	580	12,425	9,830	20,862,973
2000	19,154,077	5,613	122,100	278	372	2,358	652	11,790	6,532	19,303,772
2001	22,880,801	33,877	2,486	2,698	663	9,523	217	40,306	15,136	22,985,707
2002	15,819,751	8,215	12,009	797	204	1,086	1,491	26,186	9,357	15,879,096
2003	23,082,198	12,989		73	667	3,251	656	16,481	6,713	23,123,028
2004	27,815,219	2,874		594	749	2,097	1,419	26,004	3,811	27,852,767
2005	20,479,272	1,590		200		1,756		13,646	3,672	20,500,136
2006	24,469,038	1,688		270	178	1,055	133	3,730	1,063	24,477,155
2007	21,519,340	1,272			232	2,022	85	4,121	1,479	21,528,551
2008	25,316,052	50,056	1,223		488	1,332	3,254	5,187	6,754	25,384,346
2009	26,164,619	11,750	293	665	251	489	93	3,479	2,068	26,183,707
2010	26,395,019	531		52	531	270		34,462	534	26,431,399

 Table 4-19. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) for the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 18, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator. Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and cheking the "idtype." Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>		Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	55,282,345	38,106		366	152	5,314	2,101	282,214	2,982	55,613,580
1982	14,708,687	10,984	26,401	5,533	1,112	11,337	25	27,629	,	14,792,780
1983	22,896,411	28,022	14,468	3,069	63	39,018	29,769	69,308	7,456	23,087,584
1984	22,496,132	37,129	178,147	11,256	1,308	12,862	1,718	11,891	7,921	22,758,364
1985	14,368,997	7,688	55,574	12,612	11	11,474	430	19,415	4,151	14,480,352
1986	10,317,969	12,744	11,301	317		33,498	282	16,619	1,158	10,393,888
1987	8,015,447	1,964	56,920	5,878		3,938	1,122	11,684	751	8,097,704
1988	14,125,364	1,572	159,146	5,891		1,266	1,014	18,772	888	14,313,913
1989	5,877,363	2,919	55,009	17,980	49	28,831	2	13,220	3,984	5,999,357
1990	8,300,114	121	20,435	858	113	9,447	131	4,279	2,345	8,337,843
1991	4,086,314	105	17,350	891		280		5,150	1,603	4,111,693
1992	16,221,246	3,174	80,179	3,414	407	8,884		8,850	967	16,327,121
1993	15,452,749	217,932	626,237	11,305	32,842	7,062		14,691	2,555	16,365,373
1994	27,677,656	835	9,417	418	249	818		744	478	27,690,615
1995	15,582,626	1,241	4,349	234	28	206	22	30,253	4,111	15,623,070
1996	36,068,219	51,407	3,473	393		586		35,328	1,328	36,160,734
1997	25,927,468	19,665	5,746	2,130	633	15,640	117	49,257	4,875	26,025,531
1998	24,076,781	178,773	22,158	6,495	679	6,196	361	21,146	6,813	24,319,402
1999	22,194,486	147,237	99,348	3,345	1,802	5,544	580	12,425	9,830	22,474,597
2000	21,271,714	5,613	122,100	278	372	2,358	652	11,790	6,533	21,421,410
2001	24,910,334	33,877	2,486	2,698	663	9,523	217	40,306	15,135	25,015,239
2002	17,071,456	8,215	12,009	797	204	1,086	1,491	26,186	9,357	17,130,801
2003	28,679,155	12,989		73	667	3,251	656	16,481	6,713	28,719,985
2004	31,304,404	2,874		594	749	2,097	1,419	26,004	3,811	31,341,952
2005	22,975,037	1,590		200		1,756		13,646	3,672	22,995,901
2006	25,432,593	1,688		270	178	1,055	133	3,730	1,064	25,440,711
2007	22,377,971	1,272			232	2,022	85	4,121	1,480	22,387,183
2008	29,391,737	50,056	1,223		488	1,332	3,254	5,187	6,754	29,460,031
2009	27,792,824	11,750	293	665	251	489	93	3,479	2,068	27,811,912
2010	29,493,379	531		52	531	270		34,462	535	29,529,760

Table 4-20. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) for the West Coast albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 19, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator. Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

				Sharks					Tunas							
	Sword-	Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin			Yellow-					Ground-	Coastal		
Year	fish	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Albacore	fin	Bigeye	Bluefin	Other	Dorado	fish	Pelagics	Other	Total
1981	4,102,014	2,961,305			287,731	16,670	3,459	12,742	3,188	1,775	22,344		13,921	12,871	455,005	7,893,025
1982	8,288,858	3,662,200		25,920	624,247	5,464	19,433	17,710	6,890	2,147	53,904	29	11,624	15,359	106,509	12,840,294
1983	12,029,752	2,602,922	16,233	166,823	404,164	3,468	188,272	63,067	35,318	5,539	85,219	159	1,371	30,650	180,603	15,813,560
1984	19,274,853	2,447,515	14,032	81,483	289,395	299	324,555	42,382	10,999	13,372	10,135	25	15,572	7,674	308,487	22,840,778
1985	20,862,504	2,376,228	1,288	161,582	289,579	30	250,373	31,023	7,463	7,953	3,008	147	2,069	3,381	257,041	24,253,669
1986	18,145,691	2,300,976	342	72,813	596,990	1,282	278,516	30,912	13,253	11,388	12,846		547	13,369	164,122	21,643,047
1987	15,735,804	1,260,536	3,144	36,182	613,399	1,066	243,994	12,733	23,463	5,736	26,836	610	8,189	11,011	111,160	18,093,863
1988	12,978,821	1,364,908	1,356	12,660	321,348	428	172,190	14,099	34,820	15,972	14,169	302	734	1,053	121,361	15,054,221
1989	11,814,587	1,279,144	237	38,073	367,834		42,928	4,310	1,371	9,743	24,286	22		2,120	121,986	13,706,641
1990	9,705,745	752,286	2,578	52,337	653,687	94	35,152	4,941	5,869	40,712	15,294	150		2,914	157,347	11,429,106
1991	8,501,796	1,325,079		36,813	337,952	81	44,633	6,721	19,089	23,339	17,366			2,547	94,478	10,409,894
1992	9,224,529	585,715	871	18,594	269,457	411	129,062	19,053	3,914	32,803	14,878			899	121,362	10,421,548
1993	9,686,643	566,839	653	37,751	220,798	71	386,602	33,063	721	145,079	41,619	246	1,441	5,028	131,865	11,258,419
1994	6,631,296	739,032	58	37,946	211,638	9	128,105	1,391	3,231	172,281	13,432	55	7,617	1,183	229,787	8,177,061
1995	6,248,157	541,041	11,782	32,042	187,668	142	73,345	3,775	3,792	102,995	14,223	18	2,246	2,305	193,367	7,416,898
1996	5,426,615	731,434	2,074	22,863	196,611	114	151,811	3,187	1,659	161,102	3,950		1,444	3,718	290,903	6,997,485
1997	4,361,337	681,386	81,300	35,582	262,715	47	95,906	14,979	34,005	305,427	2,923	673	2,968	4,798	196,472	6,080,518
1998	5,277,939	730,303	3,280	11,998	195,136	6,266	103,640	5,064	25,177	244,244	9,493	3,179	1,916	2,375	299,276	6,919,286
1999	3,609,019	519,802	22,958	6,785	116,433	29	135,417	1,159	12,625	101,004	2,135		1,663	354	263,130	4,792,513
2000	3,513,693	505,647	2,757	4,922	132,691	211	86,063	1,177	22,371	133,896	913	680	1,620	2,931	212,979	4,622,551
2001	2,009,128	634,763	568	1,218	59,895		108,596	4,931	822	41,086	629	410	1,554	487	155,912	3,019,999
2002	1,821,225	542,459	2,337		121,667		24,439	1,822		12,555	106		2,918	1,207	280,499	2,811,234
2003	1,317,487	524,070	3,309	4,207	110,027	13	18,752	608	42,829	41,975	4,542		970	710	198,841	2,268,340
2004	1,079,693	180,376	2,859	4,340	76,945		28,993	797		42,522	167		2,314	441	193,580	1,613,027
2005	1,310,773	274,750	596	6,898	46,139		19,718	4,634		18,245	116	100	1,308	10	262,246	1,945,533
2006	2,139,674	266,256	233	4,775	67,414		4,371	1,881		3,171	3,183	93	1,443	2,380	343,806	2,838,680
2007	2,632,885	306,262	2,988	4,210	63,134	1,222	7,772	106		12,114	82		2,445	363	457,044	3,490,627
2008	1,741,181	241,967		5,522	50,183		1,737	828		2,562	104	53	3,188	3,166	423,656	2,474,147
2009	1,086,861	142,957		5,505	42,367	2,331	8,515	138		8,824	29		244	319	301,446	1,599,536
2010	392,878	100,756		924	26,744	72	14,001			3,870		200	115	116	312,973	852,649

Table 4-21. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) for the West Coast drift gillnet fishery, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 19, 2011.

Note 1: There is no drift gillnet gear for Washington.

Note 2: Significantly higher real ex-vessel revenues prior to 1994 are reported for the swordfish and HMS shark drift gillnet fishery in this year's HMS SAFE report, for all HMS and non-HMS species except groundfish, due to PacFIN gear corrections for gears that were previously mis-assigned to California entangling net, trammel net, several trawl, encircling net, set gillnet and unknown gears, and therefore not previously reported.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of swordfish or any HMS shark was landed for the drift gillnet fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

			Tur	nas			
Year	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Albacore	Other	Dorado	Other	Total
1981	2,906,645	21,624	8,375	816		25,489	2,962,949
1982	1,677,423	3,970		292		2,464	1,684,149
1983	611,035	3,769				18,737	633,541
1984	1,079,576	15,688	611	278		3,750	1,099,903
1985	2,302,287	3,094	405	444		3,146	2,309,376
1986	3,158,567	4,278	93	593		2,115	3,165,646
1987	2,815,636	8,634	7,092	3,547		144,512	2,979,421
1988	2,441,533	10,622	14,128			1,456	2,467,739
1989	796,618	2,431	3,353	103		1,998	804,503
1990	826,674	8,996		165		1,243	837,078
1991	266,355	2,997				103	269,455
1992	848,381	8,858	1,788	192		1,930	861,149
1993	1,602,435	2,674	10,934			1,417	1,617,460
1994	1,763,766	2,234	3,450			4,002	1,773,452
1995	1,031,634	5,535				2,378	1,039,547
1996	843,137	4,284	288			869	848,578
1997	894,138	7,286	261		118	884	902,687
1998	521,437	2,074				991	524,502
1999	776,664	1,034				7,461	785,159
2000	936,879	996	377			10,461	948,713
2001	571,641	1,406			61	3,355	576,463
2002	815,634	1,513				1,370	818,517
2003	986,943	661				2,079	989,683
2004	766,153	2,809				1,880	770,842
2005	785,394	1,360				2,125	788,879
2006	728,792	5,372				761	734,925
2007	622,288	1,359					623,647
2008	467,124	1,463					468,587
2009	471,121	1,863				595	473,579
2010	352,525	1,419				349	354,293

Table 4-22. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) for the West Coast harpoon fishery, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of

summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 20, 2011.

Note 1: Only California has revenues from harpoon landings.

Note 2: Some of the non-swordfish species may have been taken by dual-gear permit holders,

who may have fished with drift gillnets but landed under harpoon.

Additional processing info:

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then

divided by the corresponding deflator.

				Sword-	HMS		Ground-	Coastal					
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Unspecified	fish	Sharks	Dorado	fish	Pelagics	Other	Total
1981	768,460	206,380,895	132,059,198	3,289,988	2,585,260	115,794					252,234	3,082	345,454,911
1982	1,149,863	146,206,467	77,535,965	2,390,302	5,353,307	107,928					10,295		232,754,127
1983	29,489	107,550,453	66,046,194		2,002,092	48,009	3,450	501			12,754	1,129	175,694,071
1984	8,928,462	65,735,185	43,958,490	265,259	1,625,682	4,778,632	161,260	1,204			111,309	11,209	125,576,692
1985	52,036	25,506,722	3,078,932	1,455	5,027,986	1,844,041	12,725	826			90,206	1,719	35,616,648
1986	113,630	31,045,772	1,132,241	23,448	8,046,269	321,039	321,094	4,562			14,425	4,313	41,026,793
1987	118,760	44,478,305	7,034,528	257,351	3,502,601	730,529		1,538			3,426	15,347	56,142,385
1988	440,583	42,548,789	12,840,632	1,123	3,366,105	111,885					41,866		59,350,984
1989	73,189	30,467,568	4,956,589		1,960,145	178,596	11,071	429	204		10,029	220	37,658,040
1990	214,376	14,141,605	2,895,562		1,639,836	49,575					66,615		19,007,568
1991		5,032,166	3,402,447		145,391	11,819					53,964	4,907	8,650,694
1992	27,893	2,439,152	797,159	4,232	1,572,228	4,246	75,004	5,095	3,755	318	89,778	16,479	5,035,339
1993	1,700	1,487,148	1,481,170	5,982	805,441	1,245	139,655	2,262	248	19	23,813	15,079	3,963,762
1994		4,343,362	1,493,788		2,027,109	4,701					50,349	173,670	8,092,979
1995		3,816,097	5,160,000		1,280,676						21,268	27,773	10,305,814
1996	1,165	3,555,395	4,852,428		5,149,133						93,180	33,630	13,684,931
1997	4,782	6,275,473	6,971,548		3,277,577	5,490	8,724	2,499	1,864		22,668	67,731	16,638,356
1998	210,851	4,928,664	6,104,679		2,968,850						213,893	141,404	14,568,341
1999	42,617	1,782,398	3,484,771		459,293						6,810	76,404	5,852,293
2000	8,258	1,630,308	593,674		370,350						30,563		2,633,153
2001	76,711	501,871	34,906		411,171						6,216		1,030,875
2002	429	694,155	153,885				3,151					54	851,674
2003	18,997	520,252	178,981		17,492								735,722
2004	1,758	497,524	124,474										623,756
2005		336,436	322,212		131,860						1,890		792,398
2006		*	*										*
2007	124,304	124,305	4,120		47,128						57,872		357,731
2008	*	*	*								*		*
2009	42,101	14,321	3,690		431,082						337,905		829,099
2010	*												*

Table 4-23. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) for the West Coast purse seine fishery, 1981–2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown. Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 20, 2011.

Note: There is no purse seine gear for Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any HMS tuna was landed for the purse seine fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator. Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

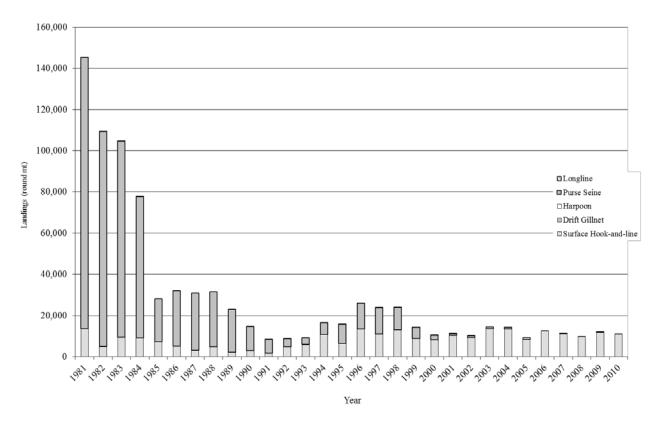


Figure 4-4. West Coast commercial tuna landings by fishery, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–4 and Table 4–24 display West Coast commercial tuna landings by fishery over the years 1981–2010 for the surface hook-and-line, drift gillnet, harpoon, longline, and purse seine fisheries, respectively.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from PacFIN on various dates in August 2011. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Canadian surface hook-and-line fishery data are also excluded.

	Landings (round mt)											
	Surface											
Year	Hook-and-line	Drift Gillnet	Harpoon	Longline	Purse Seine	Total						
1981	13,507	11	2	26	131,620	145,166						
1982	4,981	30		43	104,326	109,380						
1983	9,325	128		9	95,185	104,647						
1984	8,922	165	<0.5	3	68,571	77,661						
1985	7,012	165	<0.5		20,843	28,020						
1986	4,982	156	<0.5		26,891	32,029						
1987	2,891	100	1		27,907	30,899						
1988	4,629	66	1		26,814	31,510						
1989	2,168	25	<0.5		20,784	22,977						
1990	2,926	26		1	11,584	14,537						
1991	1,641	29		2	6,562	8,234						
1992	4,757	56	<0.5	1	3,956	8,770						
1993	5,796	213	1	5	3,070	9,085						
1994	10,606	79	<0.5	104	5,737	16,526						
1995	6,408	66		61	9,100	15,635						
1996	13,249	110	<0.5	71	12,382	25,812						
1997	10,833	108	<0.5	89	12,783	23,813						
1998	12,840	112		106	10,938	23,996						
1999	8,818	116		228	5,186	14,348						
2000	8,100	72	<0.5	122	2,186	10,480						
2001	10,230	70		95	886	11,281						
2002	9,295	19		14	777	10,105						
2003	13,493	33		31	863	14,420						
2004	13,394	21		33	791	14,239						
2005	8,217	14		**	1,006	9,237						
2006	12,375	7		**	*	12,382						
2007	11,143	5		**	223	11,371						
2008	9,774	2		**	*	9,776						
2009	11,619	6		**	468	12,093						
2010	10,865	6		**	*	10,871						

Table 4-24. West Coast commercial tuna landings by fishery, 1981–2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources (mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted on various dates in August, 2011, except longline was last updated in August 2009.

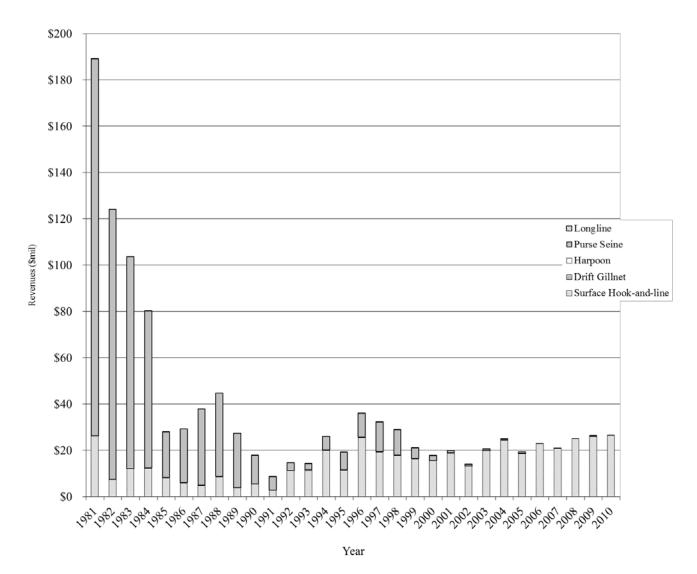


Figure 4-5. West Coast commercial tuna revenues by fishery, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–5 and Table 4–25 display West Coast commercial tuna revenues by fishery over the years 1981–2010 for the surface hook-and-line, drift gillnet, harpoon, longline, and purse seine fisheries, respectively.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on various dates in August 2011. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Canadian surface hookand-line fishery data are also excluded.

			Revenue	es (\$)		
	Surface	Drift			Purse	
Year	Hook-and-line	Gillnet	Harpoon	Longline	Seine	Total
1981	26,105,721	20,531	4,337	49,477	162,899,688	189,079,754
1982	7,355,282	50,112	146	73,415	116,534,837	124,013,792
1983	11,894,118	196,444		16,549	91,439,482	103,546,593
1984	12,166,930	216,819	480	4,364	67,670,051	80,058,644
1985	7,999,188	166,819	472	740	19,758,416	27,925,635
1986	5,875,077	197,292	390		23,136,080	29,208,839
1987	4,691,790	183,027	6,226	164	32,842,638	37,723,845
1988	8,548,185	152,083	8,552		35,899,810	44,608,630
1989	3,693,992	51,912	2,171		23,642,990	27,391,065
1990	5,415,074	66,524	108	45	12,357,079	17,838,830
1991	2,760,785	75,092		873	5,804,636	8,641,386
1992	11,080,778	138,120	1,369	1,790	3,350,739	14,572,796
1993	11,036,136	429,148	7,730	10,592	2,673,982	14,157,588
1994	19,936,716	229,850	2,490	104,222	5,679,816	25,953,094
1995	11,360,802	145,980		31,071	7,557,190	19,095,043
1996	25,526,196	241,541	216	16,116	10,179,438	35,963,507
1997	19,108,815	346,320	200	20,355	12,634,293	32,109,983
1998	17,641,854	299,512		27,185	10,982,420	28,950,971
1999	16,254,470	197,860		150,985	4,523,535	21,126,850
2000	15,348,828	195,805	302	38,632	2,084,934	17,668,501
2001	18,771,705	127,848		79,286	839,400	19,818,239
2002	13,175,199	32,399		11,051	706,266	13,924,915
2003	19,637,838	92,432		3,975	625,585	20,359,830
2004	24,326,922	63,383		5,589	545,475	24,941,369
2005	18,508,555	38,600		**	714,382	19,261,537
2006	22,833,634	11,763		**	*	22,845,397
2007	20,670,548	19,282		**	288,014	20,977,844
2008	24,896,835	5,135		**	*	24,901,970
2009	25,927,694	17,340		**	486,528	26,431,562
2010	26,395,550	17,871		**	*	26,413,421

Table 4-25. West Coast commercial tuna revenues by fishery, 1981–2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources (mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted on various dates in August, 2011, except longline was last updated in August 2009.

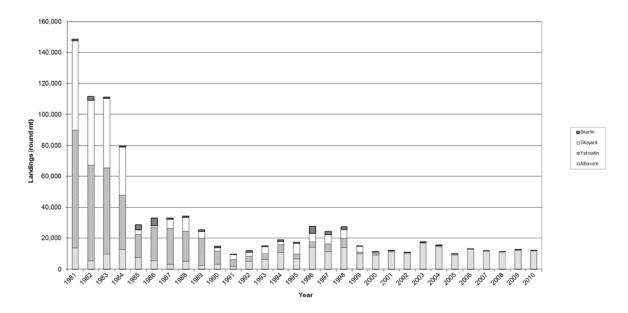


Figure 4-6. Coastwide commercial tuna landings by species, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–6 shows West Coast HMS commercial tuna landings in round metric tons for all gear types from 1981 through 2010 for the four principal species. The landings of these species, and other tuna species which comprise a smaller part of the catch, are shown in accompanying table 4-26.

The principal species of tuna targeted by commercial fishers are albacore, yellowfin, skipjack, and bluefin. The levels of yellowfin and skipjack landings declined precipitously during the 1980s and by 1996 albacore had supplanted yellowfin and skipjack as the most important tuna in the commercial landings. By 2000, yellowfin, skipjack, and bluefin landings had all declined to far below their levels in the early 1980s; only albacore landings remained near their long-term average.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011. They represent a portion of West Coast commercial landings by species, displayed in Table 4–4. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data.

	Landings (round mt)								
						Unspecified			
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Tuna	Total		
1981	13,712	76,091	57,869	1,168	868	40	149,74		
1982	5,410	61,769	41,904	968	2,404	51	112,50		
1983	9,578	55,741	44,995	21	764	55	111,15		
1984	12,654	35,063	31,251	126	635	1,014	80,74		
1985	7,301	15,025	2,977	7	3,254	468	29,03		
1986	5,243	21,517	1,361	29	4,731	143	33,02		
1987	3,160	23,201	5,724	50	823	129	33,08		
1988	4,912	19,520	8,863	6	804	11	34,11		
1989	2,214	17,615	4,505	1	1,019	77	25,43		
1990	3,028	8,509	2,256	2	925	46	14,76		
1991	1,676	4,178	3,407	7	104	11	9,38		
1992	4,902	3,350	2,586	7	1,087	10	11,94		
1993	6,166	3,795	4,539	26	559	16	15,10		
1994	10,751	5,056	2,111	47	916	33	18,91		
1995	6,530	3,038	7,037	49	714	1	17,36		
1996	14,173	3,347	5,455	62	4,688	3	27,72		
1997	11,292	4,775	6,070	82	2,251	11	24,48		
1998	13,915	5,799	5,846	53	1,949	12	27,57		
1999	9,770	1,353	3,759	108	186	12	15,18		
2000	9,074	1,159	780	86	313	1	11,41		
2001	11,191	655	58	53	196	1	12,15		
2002	10,029	544	236	10	11	2	10,83		
2003	16,671	465	349	35	36	<0.5	17,55		
2004	14,540	488	307	22	10	9	15,37		
2005	9,055	285	523	10	207	<0.5	10,08		
2006	12,786	77	48	35	1	1	12,94		
2007	11,586	104	5	13	45	<0.5	11,75		
2008	11,131	65	3	27	1	1	11,22		
2009	12,307	45	5	12	415		12,78		
2010	11,855	1	1	31	1	1	11,8		

 Table 4-26. Coastwide commercial tuna landings by species, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted August 16, 2011.

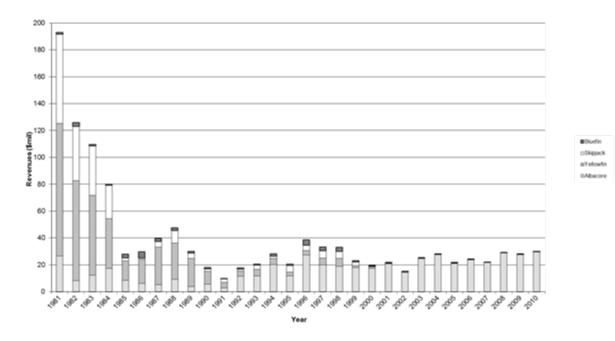


Figure 4-7. Coastwide commercial tuna revenues by species, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–7 shows West Coast HMS commercial tuna revenues in current dollars from 1981 through 2010 for the four principal species across all gear types. The revenues of these species and other tuna species, which comprise a smaller part of the catch, are shown in accompanying table 4-27.

The principal species of tuna targeted by commercial fishers are albacore, yellowfin, skipjack, and bluefin. The levels of yellowfin and skipjack revenues declined precipitously during the 1980s, and by 1992 albacore had supplanted yellowfin and skipjack as the most important component of commercial revenues.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011. They represent a portion of Table 4-5, which tabulates West Coast commercial current dollar revenues by species. Current dollar revenues were computed as the sum total of landed weights in pounds multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data.

	Revenues (\$)										
					-	Unspecified					
Year	Albacore	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bigeye	Bluefin	Tuna	Total				
1981	26,524,145	98,722,280	66,331,030	1,569,755	1,239,005	72,694	194,458,909				
1982	8,033,073	74,468,306	40,507,405	1,208,147	2,690,102	98,923	127,005,956				
1983	12,242,167	59,475,802	36,652,119	45,946	1,062,909	95,490	109,574,433				
1984	17,208,448	37,038,204	24,790,704	174,405	904,956	2,590,391	82,707,108				
1985	8,292,769	14,690,108	2,118,170	17,693	2,819,048	1,028,867	28,966,655				
1986	6,178,084	18,079,443	904,609	90,227	4,636,698	198,248	30,087,309				
1987	5,127,832	27,878,667	4,426,717	176,504	2,057,402	448,231	40,115,353				
1988	9,117,601	27,030,132	9,249,827	26,156	2,070,411	80,548	47,574,675				
1989	3,785,613	20,824,242	3,944,894	2,415	1,271,718	127,320	29,956,202				
1990	5,620,990	9,383,584	1,898,875	8,771	1,149,381	56,750	18,118,351				
1991	2,823,937	3,996,935	2,692,345	42,810	116,371	21,161	9,693,559				
1992	11,483,392	3,677,441	1,410,546	44,731	1,129,626	21,228	17,766,964				
1993	11,697,562	4,821,735	3,282,778	211,513	752,369	72,678	20,838,635				
1994	20,188,895	4,522,321	1,751,209	307,147	1,674,099	55,245	28,498,916				
1995	11,572,603	3,044,670	4,752,641	258,727	1,057,948	5,136	20,691,725				
1996	27,222,294	3,230,957	3,986,113	260,306	4,035,455	28,296	38,763,421				
1997	19,924,121	4,991,131	5,504,526	359,780	2,773,705	21,895	33,575,158				
1998	18,895,247	5,861,959	5,213,131	271,919	2,965,485	61,688	33,269,429				
1999	17,771,262	1,468,209	2,748,208	657,121	1,061,233	60,572	23,766,605				
2000	17,188,570	1,329,357	483,242	576,919	580,722	2,298	20,161,108				
2001	20,680,501	465,558	33,633	320,855	473,557	3,069	21,977,173				
2002	14,256,910	588,677	128,245	87,304	43,477	6,325	15,110,938				
2003	24,435,697	451,273	159,961	262,768	76,106	21	25,385,826				
2004	27,414,167	446,577	109,254	147,696	38,312	54,879	28,210,885				
2005	20,823,045	315,699	292,193	60,141	136,847	913	21,628,838				
2006	23,776,441	174,912	40,350	205,677	3,790	1,895	24,203,065				
2007	21,633,438	149,568	4,361	94,734	58,106	46	21,940,253				
2008	28,853,123	125,508	3,675	205,536	3,340	3,485	29,194,667				
2009	27,584,153	166,620	5,332	97,103	443,095		28,296,303				
2010	29,572,460	6,861	1,899	241,834	4,985	6,356	29,834,395				

 Table 4-27. Coastwide commercial tuna revenues by species, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted August 16, 2011.

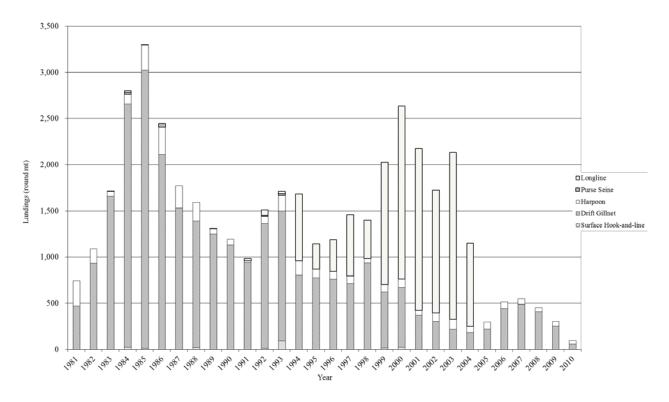


Figure 4-8. West Coast commercial swordfish landings by fishery, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–8 and Table 4–28 display West Coast commercial swordfish landings by fishery over the years 1981–2010 for the surface hook-and-line, drift gillnet, harpoon, longline, and purse seine fisheries, respectively. Reported drift gillnet landings for years before 1994 increased substantially from amounts shown in previous years' HMS SAFE reports due to PacFIN drift gillnet gear code corrections.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from PacFIN on various dates in August 2011. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Canadian surface hook-and-line fishery data are also excluded.

			Landings (ro	ound mt)		
	Surface	Drift			Purse	
Year	Hook-and-line	Gillnet	Harpoon	Longline	Seine	Total
1981		469	272	<0.5		741
1982	4	929	156	<0.5		1,089
1983	3	1,651	58	<0.5	1	1,713
1984	25	2,632	105	12	23	2,797
1985	11	3,010	275	<0.5	1	3,297
1986	1	2,108	296		41	2,446
1987	5	1,526	237			1,768
1988	18	1,373	199	<0.5		1,590
1989	7	1,239	62		1	1,309
1990	2	1,126	65			1,193
1991	2	936	20	27		985
1992	13	1,350	75	63	10	1,511
1993	90	1,409	169	27	17	1,712
1994	1	801	157	722		1,681
1995	1	772	97	271		1,141
1996	<0.5	762	81	346		1,189
1997	1	708	84	663	1	1,457
1998	4	931	48	418		1,401
1999	15	605	81	1,325		2,026
2000	22	650	90	1,873		2,635
2001	<0.5	371	52	1,749		2,172
2002	2	301	90	1,331	1	1,725
2003		217	107	1,810		2,134
2004		182	69	898		1,149
2005		220	76	**		296
2006		443	72	**		515
2007		490	59	**		549
2008	<0.5	405	48	**		453
2009	<0.5	251	50	**		301
2010		59	36	**		95

Table 4-28. West Coast commercial swordfish landings by fishery, 1981–2010.

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources (mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted on various dates in August, 2011, except longline was last updated in August 2009.

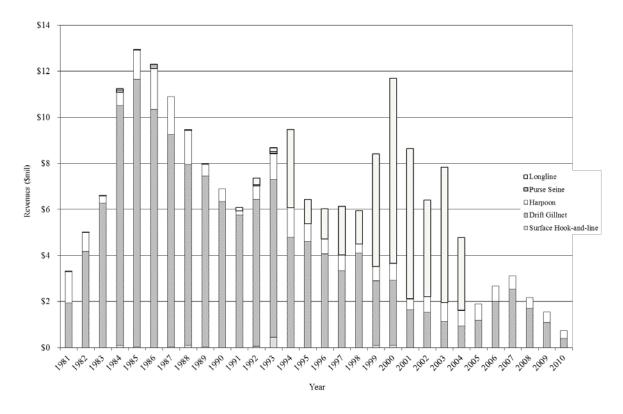


Figure 4-9. West Coast commercial swordfish revenues by fishery, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–9 and Table 4–29 display West Coast commercial swordfish revenues by fishery in current dollars over the years 1981–2010 for the surface hook-and-line, drift gillnet, harpoon, longline, and purse seine fisheries, respectively. Reported drift gillnet revenues for years before 1994 increased substantially from amounts shown in previous years' HMS SAFE reports due to PacFIN drift gillnet gear code corrections.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on various dates in August 2011. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data. Canadian surface hookand-line fishery data are also excluded.

			Revenue	es (\$)		
	Surface	Drift			Purse	
Year	Hook-and-line	Gillnet	Harpoon	Longline	Seine	Total
1981		1,935,740	1,371,646	1,544		3,308,930
1982	13,219	4,150,231	839,886	306		5,003,642
1983	7,531	6,261,486	318,044	506	1,796	6,589,363
1984	96,217	10,410,348	583,079	62,804	87,097	11,239,545
1985	30,921	11,607,897	1,280,993	752	7,080	12,927,643
1986	6,427	10,319,454	1,796,277		182,606	12,304,764
1987	33,310	9,208,592	1,647,710			10,889,612
1988	96,331	7,856,080	1,477,860	1,601		9,431,872
1989	34,556	7,421,923	500,435		6,955	7,963,869
1990	13,332	6,332,028	539,322			6,884,682
1991	11,721	5,743,814	179,949	146,305		6,081,789
1992	55,452	6,379,684	586,740	298,852	51,873	7,372,601
1993	442,687	6,847,488	1,132,762	153,383	98,722	8,675,042
1994	6,797	4,786,469	1,273,087	3,401,896		9,468,249
1995	3,204	4,603,642	760,108	1,064,427		6,431,381
1996	2,608	4,074,303	633,027	1,319,868		6,029,806
1997	4,390	3,332,497	683,211	2,115,438	6,666	6,142,202
1998	17,122	4,078,263	402,914	1,454,529		5,952,828
1999	77,899	2,829,832	608,982	4,893,372		8,410,085
2000	97,814	2,814,819	750,533	8,028,596		11,691,762
2001	2,037	1,645,877	468,289	6,527,196		8,643,399
2002	9,996	1,515,987	678,934	4,190,669	2,623	6,398,209
2003		1,120,260	839,197	5,879,612		7,839,069
2004		944,192	670,001	3,160,052		4,774,245
2005		1,184,545	709,760	**		1,894,305
2006		1,996,530	680,036	**		2,676,566
2007		2,528,886	597,707	**		3,126,593
2008	1,200	1,708,969	458,482	**		2,168,651
2009	291	1,076,535	466,645	**		1,543,471
2010		392,878	352,525	**		745,403

 Table 4-29. West Coast commercial swordfish revenues by fishery, 1981–2010.

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources (mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to

rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted on various dates in August, 2011, except longline was last updated in August 2009.

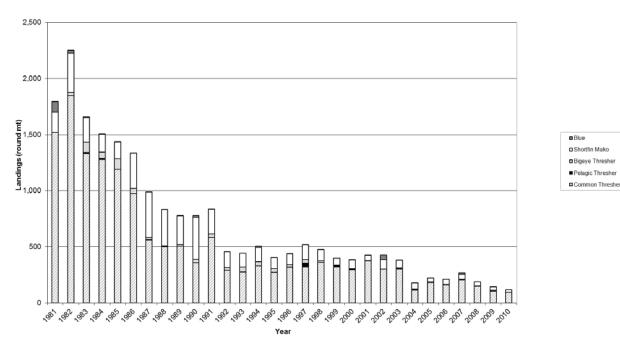


Figure 4-10. Coastwide commercial shark landings by species, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–10and Table 4-30 show West Coast commercial shark landings in round metric tons for all gear types from 1981 through 2010. The graph shows a general pattern of decline in landings from near 2,000 mt in the early 1980s down to a level near or below 500 mt from 1992 onwards. The decline was primarily driven by a downward trend in common thresher landings, and to a lesser extent by a similar decline in shortfin mako landings. Since 2004, total West Coast commercial shark landings have remained near or below 250. The decline in landings reflects a decrease in drift gillnet effort.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011. They represent a portion of Table 4–4, which displays West Coast commercial landings by species. Landings in pounds were converted to round weight in metric tons by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data.

	Landings (round mt)									
	Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin						
Year	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Total				
1981	1,521			182	92	1,795				
1982	1,848		28	351	27	2,254				
1983	1,331	9	96	217	7	1,660				
1984	1,279	9	57	160	2	1,507				
1985	1,190	<0.5	95	149	1	1,435				
1986	974	<0.5	48	312	2	1,336				
1987	562	2	20	403	2	989				
1988	500	1	9	322	3	835				
1989	504	<0.5	17	255	6	782				
1990	357	1	31	373	20	782				
1991	584		32	219	1	836				
1992	292	<0.5	22	142	1	457				
1993	275	1	44	122	<0.5	442				
1994	330	<0.5	37	128	12	507				
1995	270	5	31	95	5	406				
1996	319	1	20	96	1	437				
1997	320	35	32	132	1	520				
1998	361	2	11	100	3	477				
1999	320	10	5	63	<0.5	398				
2000	296	3	5	80	1	385				
2001	373	2	2	46	2	425				
2002	301	2		82	41	426				
2003	301	4	6	70	1	382				
2004	115	2	5	54	1	177				
2005	179	<0.5	10	33	1	223				
2006	160	<0.5	4	46	<0.5	210				
2007	204	2	5	45	10	266				
2008	147	<0.5	6	35	<0.5	188				
2009	106	<0.5	7	30	1	144				
2010	95	<0.5	1	21	<0.5	117				

 Table 4-30. Coastwide commercial shark landings by species, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of

summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted August 16, 2011.

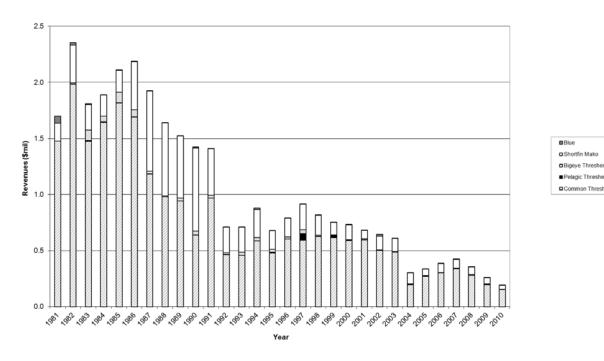


Figure 4-11. Coastwide commercial shark revenues by species, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–11 and Table 4-31 show West Coast commercial shark revenues in current dollars by species for all gear types from 1981 through 2010.

The graph shows a long-term downward trend in commercial shark revenues from levels approaching \$2.5 million in the early 1980s to a level below \$0.5 million since 2004. The decline was primarily driven by a downward trend in common thresher revenue, and to a lesser extent by a similar decline in shortfin mako revenue. A key factor underlying the decline in revenues is a drop in drift gillnet fishery effort.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from PacFIN on August 16, 2011. They represent a portion of the Table 4–5, which displays West Coast commercial current dollar revenues by species. Current dollar revenues were computed as the sum total of landed weights in pounds multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line. Aquaculture fish ticket / fish ticket line information is excluded from the data.

	Revenues (\$)									
	Common	Pelagic	Bigeye	Shortfin						
Year	Thresher	Thresher	Thresher	Mako	Blue	Total				
1981	1,475,634			162,347	59,064	1,697,045				
1982	1,980,592		15,168	339,209	18,826	2,353,795				
1983	1,474,213	8,449	91,455	229,826	4,645	1,808,588				
1984	1,642,178	7,723	47,119	189,794	2,470	1,889,284				
1985	1,817,135	716	96,433	192,917	2,132	2,109,333				
1986	1,690,791	194	66,647	428,259	1,320	2,187,211				
1987	1,184,091	1,840	22,123	715,138	1,853	1,925,045				
1988	979,905	821	9,764	649,799	2,275	1,642,564				
1989	944,161	149	24,711	552,576	3,465	1,525,062				
1990	638,630	1,682	34,628	739,193	10,303	1,424,436				
1991	968,877		25,179	415,168	894	1,410,118				
1992	464,018	602	14,629	231,063	1,816	712,128				
1993	458,513	462	28,190	221,401	622	709,188				
1994	584,318	42	33,478	247,088	16,057	880,983				
1995	477,901	8,777	24,896	165,215	2,796	679,585				
1996	603,006	1,557	17,745	167,111	587	790,006				
1997	591,268	62,496	34,768	227,426	327	916,285				
1998	625,489	2,584	9,428	176,313	5,996	819,810				
1999	617,691	18,424	5,876	111,119	73	753,183				
2000	589,035	2,738	4,636	133,621	720	730,750				
2001	595,548	2,767	8,428	75,799	1,294	683,836				
2002	503,487	1,946		124,521	18,510	648,464				
2003	487,796	2,814	3,779	115,728	390	610,507				
2004	197,188	2,500	4,060	98,827	489	303,064				
2005	271,767	588	6,234	57,788	426	336,803				
2006	301,669	271	4,509	79,586	309	386,344				
2007	337,770	2,903	4,334	78,569	1,984	425,560				
2008	280,885	434	5,459	67,255	177	354,210				
2009	197,718	72	5,453	54,463	2,361	260,067				
2010	155,259	100	924	35,565	177	192,025				

 Table 4-31. Coastwide commercial shark revenues by species, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted August 16, 2011.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	9,113	14		<0.5	<0.5	1	2	3	2	9,135
1982	3,859	3	4	2	1	4	<0.5	2	<0.5	3,875
1983	7,270	16	3	1	<0.5	20	34	4	1	7,349
1984	8,109	13	25	5	<0.5	5	2	<0.5	4	8,163
1985	6,147	2	11	4	<0.5	4	<0.5	2	1	6,171
1986	3,019	2	1	<0.5		20	<0.5	2	<0.5	3,044
1987	1,324	<0.5	5	2		2	1	1	<0.5	1,335
1988	931	<0.5	17	2		<0.5		<0.5	1	951
1989	823	1	7	8	<0.5	10	<0.5	2	1	852
1990	758	<0.5	2	<0.5	<0.5	3	<0.5	<0.5	2	765
1991	642	<0.5	2	1		<0.5			1	646
1992	1,184	<0.5	13	2	<0.5	6		< 0.5	2	1,207
1993	1,461	18	89	5	9	3			1	1,586
1994	3,055	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	1		<0.5	<0.5	3,057
1995	777	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	3	780
1996	5,038	42	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	2	5,082
1997	3,288	7	1	1	<0.5	5	<0.5	3	2	3,307
1998	2,232	116	4	3	<0.5	1	<0.5	1	2	2,359
1999	5,339	6	15	1	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	5	5,367
2000	1,798	2	22	<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	1	2	1,826
2001	2,796	8	<0.5	1	<0.5	2	<0.5	3	6	2,816
2002	2,659	2	2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	3	3	2,669
2003	1,696	3		<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	2	3	1,705
2004	1,336	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	2	2	1,341
2005	455	<0.5				1		<0.5	1	457
2006	201	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	< 0.5	<0.5	202
2007	772	<0.5			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	772
2008	376	1			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		1	378
2009	349	7	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		2	358
2010	711	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5			<0.5	711

 Table 4-32.
 Commercial landings (round mt) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat)

 fishery in California, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	9,113	14		<0.5	<0.5	1	2	3	2	9,135
1982	3,859	3	4	2	1	4	<0.5	2	<0.5	3,875
1983	7,270	16	3	1	<0.5	20	34	4	1	7,349
1984	8,109	13	25	5	<0.5	5	2	<0.5	4	8,163
1985	6,147	2	11	4	<0.5	4	<0.5	2	1	6,171
1986	3,019	2	1	<0.5		20	<0.5	2	<0.5	3,044
1987	1,324	<0.5	5	2		2	1	1	<0.5	1,335
1988	931	<0.5	17	2		<0.5		<0.5	1	951
1989	823	1	7	8	<0.5	10	<0.5	2	1	852
1990	758	<0.5	2	<0.5	<0.5	3	<0.5	<0.5	2	765
1991	642	<0.5	2	1		<0.5			1	646
1992	1,184	<0.5	13	2	<0.5	6		<0.5	2	1,207
1993	1,461	18	89	5		3			1	1,586
1994	3,055	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	1		<0.5	<0.5	3,057
1995	777	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	3	780
1996	5,047	42	<0.5	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	2	5,091
1997	3,290	7	1	1	<0.5	5	<0.5	3	1	3,308
1998	2,232	116	4	3	<0.5	1	<0.5	1	2	2,359
1999	5,360	6	15	1	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	5	5,388
2000	1,798	2	22	<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	1	2	1,826
2001	2,796	8	<0.5	1	<0.5	2	<0.5	3	6	2,816
2002	2,659	2	2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	3	3	2,669
2003	1,696	3		<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	2	3	1,705
2004	1,336	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	2	2	1,341
2005	455	<0.5				1		<0.5	1	457
2006	201	1		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	202
2007	772	<0.5			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	772
2008	376	1			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		1	378
2009	349	7	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		2	358
2010	711	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5			<0.5	711

Table 4-33. Commercial landings (round mt) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in California, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	<b>Other Tunas</b>	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	3,505					1		25	<0.5	3,531
1982	853	<0.5				<0.5		1	<0.5	854
1983	1,509	<0.5				3	<0.5	5	<0.5	1,517
1984	733	<0.5				<0.5		1	<0.5	734
1985	692					< 0.5		<0.5	<0.5	692
1986	1,116	<0.5				< 0.5		1		1,117
1987	1,038							1		1,038
1988	1,794					<0.5		2	<0.5	1,796
1989	490					<0.5		<0.5		490
1990	943					<0.5	<0.5	1		944
1991	571							1	<0.5	572
1992	1,719			<0.5		<0.5		1		1,720
1993	2,147					1		3		2,151
1994	2,131			<0.5				<0.5	<0.5	2,131
1995	2,283	1			<0.5	<0.5		6		2,290
1996	3,595	<0.5				<0.5		10		3,606
1997	3,867	<0.5			<0.5	1		9		3,877
1998	4,292			<0.5		1		4	<0.5	4,296
1999	1,632	6		<0.5		<0.5		2		1,640
2000	3,282	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		2		3,284
2001	3,572	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		6		3,579
2002	1,924							3		1,927
2003	3,807	<0.5						1		3,809
2004	4,632	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	2		4,635
2005	3,258			<0.5		<0.5		1		3,260
2006	3,680	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	<0.5		1	3,681
2007	4,469				<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	4,470
2008	3,196	5	<0.5		<0.5	< 0.5			1	3,202
2009	4,416	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	1	4,417
2010	4,306					<0.5		2	1	4,309

 Table 4-34.
 Commercial landings (round mt) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat)

 fishery in Oregon, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	3,505					1		25	<0.5	3,531
1982	863	<0.5				<0.5		1	1	865
1983	1,540	<0.5				3	<0.5	5	1	1,549
1984	736	<0.5				< 0.5		1	<0.5	737
1985	692					< 0.5		<0.5	<0.5	692
1986	1,116	<0.5				<0.5		1		1,117
1987	1,038							1		1,038
1988	1,795					<0.5		2	<0.5	1,797
1989	490					<0.5		<0.5		490
1990	943					<0.5	<0.5	1		944
1991	571							1	<0.5	572
1992	1,767			<0.5		<0.5		1		1,768
1993	2,157					1		3		2,160
1994	2,131			<0.5				<0.5	<0.5	2,131
1995	2,283	1			<0.5	<0.5		6		2,290
1996	4,059	<0.5				<0.5		10		4,069
1997	4,158	<0.5			<0.5	1		9		4,169
1998	4,810			<0.5		1		4	<0.5	4,814
1999	2,065	6		<0.5		<0.5		2		2,073
2000	3,972	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		2		3,974
2001	4,064	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		6		4,070
2002	1,978							3		1,982
2003	4,118	<0.5						1		4,120
2004	4,878	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	2		4,880
2005	3,668			<0.5		<0.5		1		3,670
2006	3,864	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5	<0.5		<0.5	3,864
2007	4,748				<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	4,749
2008	4,026	5	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5			2	4,033
2009	4,574	<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		<0.5		4,575
2010	4,854					<0.5		2	<0.5	4,856

Table 4-35. Commercial landings (round mt) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Oregon, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado <sup>1</sup>	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	875				N.A.	1		9	<0.5	885
1982	266				N.A.					266
1983	530				N.A.	1		4		535
1984	67				N.A.					67
1985	172				N.A.					172
1986	845				N.A.					845
1987	529				N.A.				<0.5	529
1988	1,904		1		N.A.	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	1,906
1989	855				N.A.	<0.5				855
1990	1,225				N.A.					1,225
1991	428	<0.5			N.A.	<0.5		<0.5		428
1992	1,852	<0.5			N.A.	<0.5			1	1,853
1993	2,171		1	<0.5	N.A.	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	2,172
1994	5,420				N.A.					5,420
1995	3,347		<0.5		N.A.			1	<0.5	3,348
1996	4,573				N.A.					4,573
1997	3,670				N.A.	<0.5				3,670
1998	6,201				N.A.					6,201
1999	1,822	12			N.A.				<0.5	1,834
2000	3,017				N.A.					3,017
2001	3,852	1			N.A.	1		<0.5		3,853
2002	4,710				N.A.	<0.5		1	1	4,712
2003	7,986				N.A.					7,986
2004	7,425				N.A.				<0.5	7,425
2005	4,504				N.A.			1	<0.5	4,505
2006	8,493				N.A.					8,493
2007	5,902				N.A.			<0.5	1	5,903
2008	6,197				N.A.	<0.5		<0.5		6,197
2009	6,847				N.A.			1		6,848
2010	5,847				N.A.			1		5,848

 Table 4-36.
 Commercial landings (round mt) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat)

 fishery in Washington, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no species code for dorado in Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	<b>Other Tunas</b>	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado <sup>1</sup>	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	875				N.A.	1		9	<0.5	885
1982	266				N.A.					266
1983	530				N.A.	1		4		535
1984	67				N.A.					67
1985	172				N.A.					172
1986	845				N.A.					845
1987	529				N.A.				<0.5	529
1988	1,904		1		N.A.	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	1,906
1989	855				N.A.	<0.5				855
1990	1,225				N.A.					1,225
1991	428	<0.5			N.A.	<0.5		<0.5		428
1992	1,864	<0.5			N.A.	<0.5			<0.5	1,864
1993	2,183		1	<0.5	N.A.	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	2,184
1994	5,443				N.A.					5,443
1995	3,414		<0.5		N.A.			1	<0.5	3,415
1996	4,969				N.A.					4,969
1997	3,775				N.A.	<0.5				3,775
1998	6,644				N.A.					6,644
1999	2,081	12			N.A.				<0.5	2,093
2000	3,216				N.A.					3,216
2001	4,156	1			N.A.	1		<0.5		4,157
2002	5,358				N.A.	<0.5		1	<0.5	5,359
2003	10,793				N.A.			<0.5		10,793
2004	8,310				N.A.				<0.5	8,310
2005	4,904				N.A.			1	<0.5	4,905
2006	8,707				N.A.					8,707
2007	5,980				N.A.			<0.5	1	5,981
2008	6,725				N.A.	<0.5		<0.5		6,726
2009	7,340				N.A.			1		7,340
2010	6,258				N.A.			1		6,259

Table 4-37. Commercial landings (round mt) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Washington, 1981–2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no species code for dorado in Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landings in lbs are converted to round weight in mt by multiplying the landed weights by the conversion factors in each fish ticket line and then dividing by 2204.6.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	17,731,395	17,982		173	72	1,444	991	16,689	1,091	17,769,837
1982	5,735,370	5,258	13,219	2,771	557	5,671	13	10,001	332	5,773,192
1983	9,394,970	14,511	7,531	1,597	33	18,504	15,429	14,994	3,713	9,471,282
1984	11,157,988	19,870	96,217	6,080	706	6,854	928	2,154	3,559	11,294,356
1985	6,973,498	4,278	30,921	7,017	6	6,375	239	10,104	1,976	7,034,414
1986	3,598,008	7,124	6,427	180		18,967	160	6,309	660	3,637,835
1987	2,173,044	1,150	33,310	3,440		2,305	657	3,089	402	2,217,397
1988	1,728,315	952	89,636	3,566		664		1,860	421	1,825,414
1989	1,455,484	1,833	34,556	11,295	31	18,058	1	7,412	2,504	1,531,174
1990	1,457,546	79	13,332	560	74	6,059	83	39	1,529	1,479,301
1991	1,089,097	56	11,721	602		185			774	1,102,435
1992	2,889,632	2,124	55,452	2,321	281	6,004		1,259	614	2,957,687
1993	2,902,857	154,056	437,415	7,144	23,216	3,917			1,741	3,530,346
1994	6,415,286	603	6,797	275	180	590		529	326	6,424,586
1995	1,418,582	592	2,953	173		47	16	710	2,992	1,426,065
1996	10,571,220	38,548	2,608	295		60		1,567	996	10,615,294
1997	5,675,955	14,095	4,390	1,628	266	11,221	89	8,581	3,726	5,719,951
1998	3,097,075	138,138	17,122	5,018	525	3,979	279	4,144	5,215	3,271,495
1999	9,931,533	53,721	77,899	2,556	1,413	4,033	455	1,603	7,556	10,080,769
2000	3,682,725	3,841	97,814	223	298	1,887	522	2,501	5,233	3,795,044
2001	4,917,834	25,961	2,037	2,002	544	6,140	178	10,462	12,397	4,977,555
2002	3,861,585	6,838	9,996	664	170	827	1,241	9,544	6,168	3,897,033
2003	2,570,926	10,929		62	567	2,764	558	9,127	5,707	2,600,640
2004	2,407,735	2,383		319	655	1,783	1,059	12,366	3,101	2,429,401
2005	1,059,355	1,437				1,557		1,337	2,614	1,066,300
2006	504,401	1,569		42	167	221	124	3,480	927	510,931
2007	1,575,242	1,222			208	6	60	1,178	702	1,578,618
2008	956,535	2,834			371	53	3,193		1,290	964,276
2009	912,138	11,570	291	568	248	232	92		1,652	926,791
2010	1,715,001	531		52	531	176			307	1,716,598

 Table 4-38.
 Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in California, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish		Salmon	Other	Total
1981	17,731,395	17,982		173	72	1,444	991	16,689	1,091	17,769,837
1982	5,735,370	5,258	13,219	2,771	557	5,671	13	10,001	332	5,773,192
1983	9,394,970	14,511	7,531	1,597	33	18,504	15,429	14,994	3,713	9,471,282
1984	11,157,988	19,870	96,217	6,080	706	6,854	928	2,154	3,559	11,294,356
1985	6,973,498	4,278	30,921	7,017	6	6,375	239	10,104	1,976	7,034,414
1986	3,598,008	7,124	6,427	180		18,967	160	6,309	660	3,637,835
1987	2,173,044	1,150	33,310	3,440		2,305	657	3,089	402	2,217,397
1988	1,728,315	952	89,636	3,566		664		1,860	421	1,825,414
1989	1,455,484	1,833	34,556	11,295	31	18,058	1	7,412	2,504	1,531,174
1990	1,457,546	79	13,332	560	74	6,059	83	39	1,529	1,479,301
1991	1,089,097	56	11,721	602		185			774	1,102,435
1992	2,889,632	2,124	55,452	2,321	281	6,004		1,259	614	2,957,687
1993	2,902,857	154,056	437,415	7,144	23,216	3,917			1,741	3,530,346
1994	6,415,286	603	6,797	275	180	590		529	326	6,424,586
1995	1,418,582	592	2,953	173		47	16	710	2,992	1,426,065
1996	10,587,510	38,548	2,608	295		60		1,567	997	10,631,585
1997	5,678,124	14,095	4,390	1,628	266	11,221	89	8,581	3,726	5,722,120
1998	3,097,075	138,138	17,122	5,018	525	3,979	279	4,144	5,215	3,271,495
1999	9,968,024	53,721	77,899	2,556	1,413	4,033	455	1,603	7,555	10,117,259
2000	3,682,725	3,841	97,814	223	298	1,887	522	2,501	5,233	3,795,044
2001	4,917,834	25,961	2,037	2,002	544	6,140	178	10,462	12,397	4,977,555
2002	3,861,585	6,838	9,996	664	170	827	1,241	9,544	6,168	3,897,033
2003	2,570,926	10,929		62	567	2,764	558	9,127	5,707	2,600,640
2004	2,407,735	2,383		319	655	1,783	1,059	12,366	3,101	2,429,401
2005	1,059,355	1,437				1,557		1,337	2,614	1,066,300
2006	504,401	1,569		42	167	221	124	3,480	927	510,931
2007	1,575,242	1,222			208	6	60	1,178	702	1,578,618
2008	956,535	2,834			371	53	3,193		1,290	964,276
2009	912,138	11,570	291	568	248	232	92		1,652	926,791
2010	1,715,001	531		52	531	176			307	1,716,598

 Table 4-39.
 Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in California, 1981-2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	<b>Other Tunas</b>	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	6,686,230					748		87,410	298	6,774,686
1982	1,250,455	242				5		3,833	202	1,254,737
1983	1,845,205	75				1,426	65	16,699	167	1,863,637
1984	898,066	183				92		4,269	720	903,330
1985	822,379					8		698	336	823,421
1986	1,324,977	124				83		3,142		1,328,326
1987	1,679,449							3,749		1,683,198
1988	3,318,399					73		9,451	66	3,327,989
1989	886,505					39		893		887,437
1990	1,763,611					104	2	2,753		1,766,471
1991	979,262							2,604	311	982,177
1992	3,856,956			40		133		4,862		3,861,991
1993	3,864,366					908		10,358		3,875,632
1994	3,749,780			27				8	19	3,749,834
1995	4,049,908	323			21	105		19,802		4,070,158
1996	6,572,323	49				380		24,958		6,597,709
1997	6,815,587	854			105	717		29,056		6,846,319
1998	5,936,402			<0.5		809		12,196	48	5,949,455
1999	3,008,900	35,377		67		314		8,140		3,052,796
2000	6,171,331	656		<0.5		3		6,943		6,178,933
2001	6,509,649	1,036		208		528		22,477		6,533,898
2002	2,871,875							10,002		2,881,877
2003	5,694,424	116						4,887		5,699,427
2004	8,484,606	130		200		51	182	10,375		8,495,544
2005	7,674,185			181		30		6,939		7,681,335
2006	7,602,928	6		210		764	<0.5		64	7,603,972
2007	8,818,890				15	1,936	22	204	408	8,821,475
2008	8,250,123	46,296	1,200		108	1,211			5,340	8,304,278
2009	9,782,752	69		90		252		842	397	9,784,402
2010	10,644,242					95		27,952	226	10,672,515

Table 4-40. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Oregon, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	6,686,230					748		87,410	298	6,774,686
1982	1,265,313	242				5		3,833	202	1,269,595
1983	1,883,255	75				1,426	65	16,699	166	1,901,686
1984	901,350	183				92		4,269	720	906,614
1985	822,379					8		698	336	823,421
1986	1,324,977	124				83		3,142		1,328,326
1987	1,679,449							3,749		1,683,198
1988	3,321,249					73		9,451	66	3,330,839
1989	886,505					39		893		887,437
1990	1,763,611					104	2	2,753		1,766,471
1991	979,262							2,604	311	982,177
1992	3,968,734			40		133		4,862		3,973,769
1993	3,882,548					908		10,358		3,893,814
1994	3,749,780			27				8	19	3,749,834
1995	4,049,908	323			21	105		19,802		4,070,158
1996	7,429,668	49				380		24,958		7,455,054
1997	7,341,599	931			218	717		29,056		7,372,520
1998	6,540,414			<0.5		809		12,196	48	6,553,467
1999	3,783,515	35,377		67		314		8,140		3,827,411
2000	7,488,665	656		<0.5		3		6,943		7,496,267
2001	7,558,629	1,036		208		528		22,477		7,582,878
2002	2,951,707							10,002		2,961,709
2003	6,158,462	116						4,887		6,163,464
2004	9,144,548	130		200		51	182	10,375		9,155,486
2005	8,815,478			181		30		6,939		8,822,628
2006	8,048,157	6		210		764	<0.5		64	8,049,201
2007	9,467,854				15	1,936	22	204	408	9,470,439
2008	10,666,183	46,296	1,200		108	1,211			5,340	
2009	10,190,661	69		90		252		842	398	10,192,312
2010	12,422,409					95		27,952		12,450,682

Table 4-41. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Oregon, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado <sup>1</sup>	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	1,670,113				N.A.	315		29,078	20	1,699,526
1982	363,957				N.A.					363,957
1983	639,357				N.A.	379		4,382		644,119
1984	90,823				N.A.					90,823
1985	199,032				N.A.					199,032
1986	944,843				N.A.					944,843
1987	838,147				N.A.				35	838,182
1988	3,500,519		6,695		N.A.	29	614	51	51	3,507,959
1989	1,350,170				N.A.	15				1,350,185
1990	2,193,837				N.A.					2,193,837
1991	692,354	15			N.A.	4		875		693,248
1992	4,331,995	72			N.A.	6			55	4,332,128
1993	4,114,857		5,272	848	N.A.	167		28	64	4,121,236
1994	9,771,047				N.A.					9,771,047
1995	5,891,398		251		N.A.			1,779	35	5,893,463
1996	8,344,058				N.A.					8,344,058
1997	6,602,324				N.A.	13				6,602,336
1998	8,470,240				N.A.					8,470,240
1999	3,198,589	26,351			N.A.				152	3,225,092
2000	5,490,275				N.A.					5,490,275
2001	7,316,469	755			N.A.	1,133		80		7,318,437
2002	6,434,901				N.A.	77		2,251	1,621	6,438,850
2003	11,361,444				N.A.					11,361,444
2004	13,432,068				N.A.				232	13,432,300
2005	9,773,578				N.A.			4,057	704	9,778,339
2006	14,724,730				N.A.					14,724,730
2007	10,275,193				N.A.			2,576	311	10,278,080
2008	15,641,047				N.A.	44		5,091		15,646,182
2009	15,221,165				N.A.			2,603		15,223,768
2010	14,035,776				N.A.			6,510		14,042,286

Table 4-42. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Washington, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no species code for dorado in Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado <sup>1</sup>	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	1,670,113				N.A.	315		29,078	20	1,699,526
1982	363,957				N.A.					363,957
1983	639,357				N.A.	379		4,382		644,119
1984	90,823				N.A.					90,823
1985	199,032				N.A.					199,032
1986	944,843				N.A.					944,843
1987	838,147				N.A.				35	838,182
1988	3,500,519		6,695		N.A.	29	614	51	51	3,507,959
1989	1,350,170				N.A.	15				1,350,185
1990	2,193,837				N.A.					2,193,837
1991	692,354	15			N.A.	4		875		693,248
1992	4,360,248	72			N.A.	6			55	4,360,381
1993	4,138,143		5,272	848	N.A.	167		28	64	4,144,522
1994	9,812,666				N.A.					9,812,666
1995	6,012,790		251		N.A.			1,779	34	6,014,854
1996	9,062,840				N.A.					9,062,840
1997	6,791,456				N.A.	13				6,791,468
1998	8,966,640				N.A.					8,966,640
1999	3,651,158	26,351			N.A.				152	3,677,661
2000	5,869,381				N.A.					5,869,381
2001	7,930,083	755			N.A.	1,133		80		7,932,051
2002	7,396,988				N.A.	77		2,251	1,621	7,400,937
2003	15,656,498				N.A.			<0.5		15,656,498
2004	15,823,418				N.A.					15,823,650
2005	10,887,708				N.A.			4,057	703	10,892,468
2006	15,178,595				N.A.					15,178,595
2007	10,450,945				N.A.			2,576	310	10,453,831
2008	17,225,272				N.A.	44		5,091		17,230,407
2009	16,425,993				N.A.			2,603		16,428,596
2010	15,355,970				N.A.			6,510		15,362,480

Table 4-43. Nominal commercial ex-vessel revenues (\$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Washington, 1981-2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no species code for dorado in Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	37,574,476	38,106		366	152	3,061	2,101	35,365	2,310	37,655,937
1982	11,454,704	10,501	26,401	5,533	1,112	11,327	25	19,975	665	11,530,243
1983	18,049,894	27,878	14,468	3,069	63	35,551	29,643	28,807	7,135	18,196,508
1984	20,659,116	36,790	178,147	11,256	1,308	12,691	1,718	3,987	6,588	20,911,601
1985	12,533,247	7,688	55,574	12,612	11	11,458	430	18,160	3,548	12,642,728
1986	6,326,725	12,526	11,301	317		33,352	282	11,094	1,159	6,396,756
1987	3,713,335	1,964	56,920	5,878		3,938	1,122	5,279	691	3,789,127
1988	2,855,303	1,572	148,085	5,891		1,098		3,073	695	3,015,717
1989	2,316,912	2,919	55,009	17,980	49	28,745	2	11,799	3,984	2,437,399
1990	2,234,129	121	20,435	858	113	9,287	128	59	2,345	2,267,475
1991	1,612,045	83	17,350	891		274			1,144	1,631,787
1992	4,178,183	3,071	80,179	3,356	407	8,682		1,820	888	4,276,586
1993	4,106,461	217,932	618,779	10,107	32,842	5,541			2,461	4,994,123
1994	8,887,899	835	9,417	381	249	818		733	452	8,900,784
1995	1,925,328	803	4,008	234		63	22	963	4,064	1,935,485
1996	14,079,941	51,342	3,473	393		80		2,087	1,328	14,138,644
1997	7,428,288	18,447	5,746	2,130	348	14,685	117	11,230	4,876	7,485,867
1998	4,008,120	178,773	22,158	6,494	679	5,150	361	5,362	6,752	4,233,849
1999	12,666,157	68,513	99,348	3,260	1,802	5,143	580	2,044	9,636	12,856,483
2000	4,597,085	4,794	122,100	278	372	2,355	652	3,122	6,533	4,737,291
2001	6,003,215	31,691	2,486	2,444	663	7,495	217	12,770	15,137	6,076,118
2002	4,639,098	8,215	12,009	797	204	993	1,491	11,466	7,410	4,681,683
2003	3,023,552	12,853		73	667	3,251	656	10,734	6,711	3,058,497
2004	2,753,271	2,725		365	749	2,039	1,211	14,140	3,546	2,778,046
2005	1,172,242	1,590				1,722		1,480	2,893	1,179,927
2006	540,565	1,681		45	178	236	133	3,730	995	547,563
2007	1,640,023	1,272			217	6	62	1,226	732	1,643,538
2008	974,565	2,887			377	53	3,254		1,315	982,451
2009	920,886	11,681	293	574	251	234	93		1,668	935,680
2010	1,715,001	531		52	531	176			307	1,716,598

Table 4-44. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in California, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981-2010.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	37,574,476	38,106		366	152	3,061	2,101	35,365	2,310	37,655,937
1982	11,454,704	10,501	26,401	5,533	1,112	11,327	25	19,975	665	11,530,243
1983	18,049,894	27,878	14,468	3,069	63	35,551	29,643	28,807	7,135	18,196,508
1984	20,659,116	36,790	178,147	11,256	1,308	12,691	1,718	3,987	6,588	20,911,601
1985	12,533,247	7,688	55,574	12,612	11	11,458	430	18,160	3,548	12,642,728
1986	6,326,725	12,526	11,301	317		33,352	282	11,094	1,159	6,396,756
1987	3,713,335	1,964	56,920	5,878		3,938	1,122	5,279	691	3,789,127
1988	2,855,303	1,572	148,085	5,891		1,098		3,073	695	3,015,717
1989	2,316,912	2,919	55,009	17,980	49	28,745	2	11,799	3,984	2,437,399
1990	2,234,129	121	20,435	858	113	9,287	128	59	2,345	2,267,475
1991	1,612,045	83	17,350	891		274			1,144	1,631,787
1992	4,178,183	3,071	80,179	3,356	407	8,682		1,820	888	4,276,586
1993	4,106,461	217,932	618,779	10,107	32,842	5,541			2,461	4,994,123
1994	8,887,899	835	9,417	381	249	818		733	452	8,900,784
1995	1,925,328	803	4,008	234		63	22	963	4,064	1,935,485
1996	14,101,639	51,342	3,473	393		80		2,087	1,328	14,160,342
1997	7,431,127	18,447	5,746	2,130	348	14,685	117	11,230	4,875	7,488,705
1998	4,008,120	178,773	22,158	6,494	679	5,150	361	5,362	6,752	4,233,849
1999	12,712,694	68,513	99,348	3,260	1,802	5,143	580	2,044	9,637	12,903,021
2000	4,597,085	4,794	122,100	278	372	2,355	652	3,122	6,533	4,737,291
2001	6,003,215	31,691	2,486	2,444	663	7,495	217	12,770	15,137	6,076,118
2002	4,639,098	8,215	12,009	797	204	993	1,491	11,466	7,410	4,681,683
2003	3,023,552	12,853		73	667	3,251	656	10,734	6,711	3,058,497
2004	2,753,271	2,725		365	749	2,039	1,211	14,140	3,546	2,778,046
2005	1,172,242	1,590				1,722		1,480	2,893	1,179,927
2006	540,565	1,681		45	178	236	133	3,730	995	547,563
2007	1,640,023	1,272			217	6	62	1,226	732	1,643,538
2008	974,565	2,887			377	53	3,254		1,315	982,451
2009	920,886	11,681	293	574	251	234	93		1,668	935,680
2010	1,715,001	531		52	531	176			307	1,716,598

Table 4-45. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in California, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	<b>Other Tunas</b>	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	14,168,743					1,586		185,230	630	14,356,189
1982	2,497,413	484				10		7,655	405	2,505,967
1983	3,545,062	144				2,739	126	32,082	321	3,580,474
1984	1,662,777	339				171		7,904	1,333	1,672,524
1985	1,478,036					15		1,254	604	1,479,909
1986	2,329,835	218				146		5,525		2,335,723
1987	2,869,872							6,406		2,876,278
1988	5,482,238					121		15,614	109	5,498,082
1989	1,411,183					62		1,421		1,412,666
1990	2,703,267					160	3	4,220		2,707,650
1991	1,449,471							3,855	459	1,453,785
1992	5,576,860			58		193		7,029		5,584,140
1993	5,466,638					1,285		14,652		5,482,575
1994	5,195,040			37				11	27	5,195,115
1995	5,496,618	438			28	143		26,876		5,524,102
1996	8,753,760	65				506		33,241		8,787,572
1997	8,919,758	1,118			137	939		38,026		8,959,978
1998	7,682,673			<0.5		1,047		15,784	62	7,699,566
1999	3,837,393	45,117		85		400		10,381		3,893,376
2000	7,703,572	819		<0.5		3		8,667		7,713,061
2001	7,946,349	1,265		254		645		27,437		7,975,950
2002	3,450,114							12,016		3,462,130
2003	6,696,959	136						5,747		6,702,842
2004	9,702,236	149		229		58	209	11,864		9,714,744
2005	8,491,961			200		33		7,678		8,499,873
2006	8,148,031	6		225		819	<0.5		69	8,149,150
2007	9,181,562				16	2,015	23	212	425	9,184,253
2008	8,405,627	47,169	1,223		110	1,234			5,439	8,460,802
2009	9,876,580	70		91		254		850	401	9,878,246
2010	10,644,242					95		27,952	226	10,672,515

 Table 4-46. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Oregon, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	<b>HMS Sharks</b>	Dorado	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	14,168,743					1,586		185,230	630	14,356,189
1982	2,527,087	484				10		7,655	405	2,535,641
1983	3,618,165	144				2,739	126	32,082	320	3,653,576
1984	1,668,858	339				171		7,904	1,332	1,678,604
1985	1,478,036					15		1,254	604	1,479,909
1986	2,329,835	218				146		5,525		2,335,723
1987	2,869,872							6,406		2,876,278
1988	5,486,947					121		15,614	108	5,502,790
1989	1,411,183					62		1,421		1,412,666
1990	2,703,267					160	3	4,220		2,707,650
1991	1,449,471							3,855	459	1,453,785
1992	5,738,482			58		193		7,029		5,745,762
1993	5,492,358					1,285		14,652		5,508,295
1994	5,195,040			37				11	27	5,195,115
1995	5,496,618	438			28	143		26,876		5,524,102
1996	9,895,669	65				506		33,241		9,929,481
1997	9,608,165	1,218			285	939		38,026		9,648,632
1998	8,464,363			<0.5		1,047		15,784	62	8,481,256
1999	4,825,296	45,117		85		400		10,381		4,881,280
2000	9,347,977	819		<0.5		3		8,667		9,357,467
2001	9,226,842	1,265		254		645		27,437		9,256,443
2002	3,546,020							12,016		3,558,035
2003	7,242,693	136						5,747		7,248,576
2004	10,456,888	149		229		58	209	11,864		10,469,396
2005	9,754,872			200		33		7,678		9,762,784
2006	8,625,181	6		225		819	<0.5		69	8,626,300
2007	9,857,214				16	2,015	23	212	426	9,859,906
2008	10,867,226	47,169	1,223		110	1,234			5,440	10,922,402
2009	10,288,401	70		91		254		850	401	10,290,067
2010	12,422,409					95		27,952	226	12,450,682

Table 4-47. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Oregon, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado <sup>1</sup>	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	3,539,126				N.A.	668		61,618	42	3,601,454
1982	726,896				N.A.					726,896
1983	1,228,352				N.A.	729		8,419		1,237,500
1984	168,159				N.A.					168,159
1985	357,715				N.A.					357,715
1986	1,661,409				N.A.					1,661,409
1987	1,432,240				N.A.				59	1,432,299
1988	5,783,114		11,061		N.A.	47	1,014	84	85	5,795,405
1989	2,149,268				N.A.	24				2,149,292
1990	3,362,718				N.A.					3,362,718
1991	1,024,799	22			N.A.	6		1,295		1,026,122
1992	6,263,729	104			N.A.	9			79	6,263,921
1993	5,820,988		7,458	1,199	N.A.	236		39	93	5,830,013
1994	13,537,056				N.A.					13,537,056
1995	7,995,926		340		N.A.			2,414	48	7,998,728
1996	11,113,556				N.A.					11,113,556
1997	8,640,654				N.A.	16				8,640,670
1998	10,961,874				N.A.					10,961,874
1999	4,079,313	33,607			N.A.				194	4,113,114
2000	6,853,420				N.A.					6,853,420
2001	8,931,237	921			N.A.	1,383		98		8,933,639
2002	7,730,539				N.A.	93		2,704	1,947	7,735,283
2003	13,361,688				N.A.					13,361,688
2004	15,359,712				N.A.				265	15,359,977
2005	10,815,069				N.A.			4,489	779	10,820,337
2006	15,780,442				N.A.					15,780,442
2007	10,697,754				N.A.			2,682	324	10,700,760
2008	15,935,860				N.A.	45		5,187		15,941,092
	15,367,153				N.A.			2,628		15,369,781
	14,035,776				N.A.			6,510		14,042,286

Table 4-48. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Washington, with Canadian vessels excluded, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 29, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no species code for dorado in Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

Canadian vessels were excluded by outer joining the fish ticket tables with the state vessel table and checking the "idtype."

							Coastal			
Year	Albacore	Other Tunas	Swordfish	HMS Sharks	Dorado <sup>1</sup>	Groundfish	Pelagics	Salmon	Other	Total
1981	3,539,126				N.A.	668		61,618	42	3,601,454
1982	726,896				N.A.					726,896
1983	1,228,352				N.A.	729		8,419		1,237,500
1984	168,159				N.A.					168,159
1985	357,715				N.A.					357,715
1986	1,661,409				N.A.					1,661,409
1987	1,432,240				N.A.				59	1,432,299
1988	5,783,114		11,061		N.A.	47	1,014	84	85	
1989	2,149,268				N.A.	24				2,149,292
1990	3,362,718				N.A.					3,362,718
1991	1,024,799	22			N.A.	6		1,295		1,026,122
1992	6,304,581	104			N.A.	9			79	
1993	5,853,930		7,458	1,199	N.A.	236		39	92	5,862,954
1994	13,594,717				N.A.					13,594,717
1995	8,160,681		340		N.A.			2,414	48	8,163,483
1996	12,070,911				N.A.					12,070,911
1997	8,888,176				N.A.	16				8,888,193
1998	11,604,297				N.A.					11,604,297
1999	4,656,495	33,607			N.A.				194	4,690,296
2000	7,326,652				N.A.					7,326,652
2001	9,680,277	921			N.A.	1,383		98		9,682,679
2002	8,886,338				N.A.	93		2,704	1,947	8,891,082
2003	18,412,911				N.A.			<0.5		18,412,911
2004	18,094,245				N.A.				266	18,094,511
2005	12,047,923				N.A.			4,489	779	12,053,191
2006	16,266,847				N.A.					16,266,847
2007	10,880,734				N.A.			2,682	323	10,883,739
2008	17,549,946				N.A.	45		5,187		17,555,178
2009	16,583,537				N.A.			2,628		16,586,165
2010	15,355,970				N.A.			6,510		15,362,480

Table 4-49. Real commercial ex-vessel revenues (2010 \$) of the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery in Washington, 1981-2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 30, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no species code for dorado in Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Real values are calculated to eliminate the effects of inflation by dividing current nominal values by the current year GDP implicit price deflator, with a base year of 2010.

Landed weights in lbs are multiplied by the prices per pound in each fish ticket line and then divided by the corresponding deflator.

Fishing Season	No. Trips	Catch (mt)	No. Days	No. Vessels
1986-1987	16	751	565	7
1987-1988	91	3,558	3,163	43
1988-1989	80	3,239	3,749	43
1989-1990	76	3,995	3,537	39
1990-1991	78	5,221	6,997	56
1991-1992	65	3,097	6,867	55
1992-1993	45	1,036	4,687	44
1993-1994	17	2,236	3,848	14
1994-1995	29	1,953	1,894	21
1995-1996	55	1,964	4,152	53
1996-1997	26	1,617	3,189	26
1997-1998	38	1,701	5,384	36
1998-1999	24	1,241	2,505	21
1999-2000	39	2,562	4,958	36
2000-2001	39	2,128	6,377	33
2001-2002	12	1,218	3,602	12
2002-2003	14	1,678	2,289	14
2003-2004	12	995	1,488	11
2004-2005	8	725	1,491	8
2005-2006	10	601	1,310	8
2006-2007	6	271	813	6
2007-2008	4	150	255	3
2008-2009	4	237	197	4
2009-2010	6	307	404	6

Table 4-50. Commercial catch and effort fishery statistics for the U.S. South Pacific albacore troll fishery,1986-2010.

Source: Childers, SWFSC, August 15, 2011.

Note 1: Total catches for the U.S. South Pacific albacore troll fishery may

include catch from November and December of the previous year.

Note 2: Total catches for seasons before 1996-97 may contain catch from non-U.S. vessels.

		Catch		Effort				
Year	U.S. EEZ	Canada EEZ	High-Seas	U.S. EEZ	Canada EEZ	High-Seas		
1995	5	6	89	16	10	73		
1996	14	0	86	27	0	73		
1997	17	4	80	30	4	66		
1998	15	0	85	26	0	74		
1999	65	1	34	62	1	37		
2000	70	0	30	69	1	31		
2001	57	0	43	67	1	33		
2002	64	2	34	73	2	25		
2003	86	1	13	87	1	12		
2004	93	1	6	89	2	9		
2005	92	2	6	89	3	8		
2006	83	1	16	90	1	9		
2007	99	1	0	97	1	2		
2008	79	6	15	86	3	11		
2009	93	3	4	93	2	5		
2010	71	2	26	82	3	15		

Table 4-51. Percentages of commercial catch and effort by fishing areas for U.S. albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) vessels, 1995–2010.

Zeros mean no catch or effort.

Source: Childers, SWFSC, August 15, 2011.

Note 1: Data for 2009 and 2010 are preliminary.

Note 2: Data prior to 2005 are from voluntary logbooks.

	Albacore	Swordfish & HMS Shark	Any Species	HMS Species	HMS Tuna	Any
Year	Surface Hook-and-Line	Drift Gillnet <sup>1</sup>	Harpoon <sup>2</sup>	Longline	Purse Seine <sup>:</sup>	HMS Fishery
1981	1,837	181	190	27	135	2,206
1982	761	212	162	28	124	1,168
1983	1,629	238	93	19	111	1,972
1984	1,126	284	114	14	78	1,405
1985	792	297	101	12	53	1,120
1986	419	268	114	6	51	763
1987	486	258	101	8	47	818
1988	533	220	84	14	43	825
1989	338	195	45	4	38	570
1990	368	196	52	5	33	607
1991	172	172	33	13	18	377
1992	610	154	48	20	29	800
1993	610	150	42	12	26	782
1994	718	163	51	44	25	916
1995	477	138	43	36	22	660
1996	726	141	31	29	23	877
1997	1,200	136	32	52	34	1,359
1998	866	127	30	70	33	1,031
1999	827	120	33	53	14	944
2000	763	104	36	70	16	905
2001	981	96	25	56	15	1,085
2002	736	80	32	36	4	842
2003	888	72	35	40	3	990
2004	780	63	29	40	11	894
2005	599	56	25	**	8	674
2006	635	61	24	**	*	722
2007	679	61	28	**	4	758
2008	523	62	32	**	*	610
2009	680	61	28	**	8	772
2010	651	53	25	**	*	729

Table 4-52. Number of vessels with West Coast commercial HMS landings by fishery (HMS gear & species),1981-2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels).

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources (mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 21, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>There is no drift gillnet gear for Washington. Significantly higher vessel counts prior to 1994 are reported for the swordfish & HMS shark drift gillnet fishery in this year's HMS SAFE report due to PacFIN gear

corrections for gears that were previously mis-assigned to California entangling net, trammel net, several trawl, encircling net, set gillnet and unknown gears, and therefore not previously reported.

<sup>2</sup>Only California has harpoon landings. Some of the non-swordfish species may have been taken by dual-gear permit holders, who may have fished with drift gillnets but landed under harpoon.

<sup>3</sup>There is no purse seine gear for Washington.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of swordfish or any HMS shark was landed for the drift gillnet fishery were used. Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any highly migratory species (except striped marlin) was landed for the longline fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any HMS tuna was landed for the purse seine fishery were used. Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

	Albacore	Swordfish & HMS Shark		HMS Species	HMS Tuna	Any
Year	Surface Hook-and-Line	Drift Gillnet <sup>1</sup>	Harpoon <sup>2</sup>	Longline	Purse Seine	HMS Fishery
1981	1,310	181	190	27	135	1,682
1982	602	212	162	28	124	1,009
1983	1,243	238	93	19	111	1,586
1984	993	284	114	14	78	1,273
1985	724	*	101	6	53	1,046
1986	344	267	114	*	51	687
1987	289	257	101	*	47	622
1988	149	220	84	*	43	453
1989	180	195	45	4	38	416
1990	103	196	52	5	33	348
1991	76	172	33	*	18	280
1992	139	154	48	*	29	337
1993	202	150	42	12	26	378
1994	271	163	51	44	25	476
1995	137	138	43	36	22	334
1996	290	141	31	*	23	446
1997	612	136	32	52	34	780
1998	382	126	30	*	33	561
1999	446	118	33	53	14	565
2000	349	*	36	*	16	493
2001	474	96	25	*	15	581
2002	321	80	32	*	4	429
2003	325	*	35	40	*	432
2004	191	*	29	*	11	308
2005	97	56	25	**	8	179
2006	80	61	24	**	*	174
2007	155	61	28	**	4	240
2008	67	62	32	**	*	160
2009	129	61	28	**	8	226
2010	135	53	25	**	*	215

Table 4-53. Number of vessels with commercial HMS landings in California by fishery (HMS gear & species), 1981-2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels or information for two or fewer vessels could otherwise be deduced).

\*\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements based on non-PacFIN data sources (mandatory logbooks, permits, etc.)

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 25, 2011.

<sup>1</sup>Significantly higher vessel counts prior to 1994 are reported for the swordfish & HMS shark drift gillnet fishery in this year's HMS SAFE report due to PacFIN gear corrections for gears that were previously mis-assigned to California entangling net, trammel net, several trawl, encircling net, set gillnet and unknown gears, and therefore not previously reported. <sup>2</sup>Some of the non-swordfish species may have been taken by dual-gear permit holders, who may have fished with drift gillnets but landed under harpoon.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of swordfish or any HMS shark was landed for the drift gillnet fishery were used. Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any highly migratory species (except striped marlin) was landed for the longline fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any HMS tuna was landed for the purse seine fishery were used. Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

	Albacore	Swordfish & HMS Shark	HMS Species	HMS Tuna	Any
Year	Surface Hook-and-Line	Drift Gillnet	Pelagic Longline	Purse Seine	HMS Fishery
1981	681				681
1982	192				192
1983	407				407
1984	177				177
1985	89	*			*
1986	90	33			122
1987	170	20	*		187
1988	262	5			266
1989	134				134
1990	211				211
1991	71				71
1992	352				352
1993	367				367
1994	328				328
1995	230	3			231
1996	385	3			385
1997	498	4			499
1998	373	6			374
1999	309	4			309
2000	375	*			*
2001	473		*		*
2002	269				269
2003	385	*		*	*
2004	450	*			*
2005	383				383
2006	368				368
2007	413				413
2008	337				337
2009	417				417
2010	423				423

Table 4-54. Number of vessels with commercial HMS landings in Oregon by fishery (HMS gear & species),1981-2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels or information for two or fewer vessels could otherwise be deduced).

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 25, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of swordfish or any HMS shark was landed for the drift gillnet fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any highly migratory species (except striped marlin) was landed for the pelagic longline fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any HMS tuna was landed for the purse seine fishery were used. Aquaculture fish ticket/fish ticket line info is excluded.

	Albacore	HMS Species	Any
Year	Surface Hook-and-Line	Longline	HMS Fishery
1981	251		251
1982	61		61
1983	157		157
1984	45		45
1985	32	6	38
1986	47	*	*
1987	89	*	*
1988	223	*	*
1989	77		77
1990	103		103
1991	42	*	*
1992	229	*	*
1993	208		208
1994	265		265
1995	207		207
1996	215	*	*
1997	247		247
1998	220	*	*
1999	187		187
2000	179	*	*
2001	205	*	*
2002	241	*	*
2003	325		325
2004	301	*	*
2005	225		225
2006	313		313
2007	221		221
2008	225		225
2009	272		272
2010	241		241

Table 4-55. Number of vessels with commercial HMS landings in Washington by fishery (HMS gear & species), 1981-2010.

\* Not reported due to data confidentiality requirements (fewer than three vessels or information for two or fewer vessels could otherwise be deduced).

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown.

Source: PacFIN, extracted Aug. 25, 2011.

Additional processing info:

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of albacore was landed for the albacore surface hook-and-line (troll and baitboat) fishery were used.

Only fish tickets where at least 1 lb of any highly migratory species (except striped marlin) was landed for the longline fishery were used.

Species	2008	2010
Swordfish	75	270
Albacore	1	2
Bigeye Tuna	5	1
Yellowfin Tuna	0	<0.5
Unspecified Tuna	0	1
Shortfin Mako Shark	2	<0.5
Unspecified Shark	0	<0.5
Dorado/Dolphinfish	<0.5	3
Pacific Halibut	<0.5	0
Yellowtail	<0.5	0
Other Unspecified Fish	2	3
Miscellaneous	0	<0.5

 Table 4-56. West Coast landings (round mt) by Hawaii-based longline vessels in 2008 and 2010.

Note: 2005-2007 and 2009 data excluded due to confidentiality rules. Data Sources: PacFIN, Hawaii longline permits data.

AGID	CATEGORY	SPID	<b>MGRP</b> <sup>1</sup>	DESCRIPTION
С	5	ALBC	HMSP	TUNA, ALBACORE
0	375	ALBC	HMSP	TUNA, ALBACORE
W	101	ALBC	HMSP	ALBACORE TUNA THUNNUS ALALUNGA
С	1	YTNA	HMSP	TUNA, YELLOWFIN
0	376	YTNA	HMSP	TUNA, YELLOWFIN
С	2	STNA	HMSP	TUNA, SKIPJACK
0	372	STNA	HMSP	TUNA, SKIPJACK
W	104	STNA	HMSP	SKIPJACK TUNA
С	8	ETNA	HMSP	TUNA, BIGEYE
0	377	ETNA	HMSP	TUNA, BIGEYE
С	4	BTNA	HMSP	TUNA, BLUEFIN
0	378	BTNA	HMSP	TUNA, BLUEFIN
W	102	BTNA	HMSP	(
С	6	UTNA	HMSP	TUNA, UNSPECIFIED
С	91	SWRD	HMSP	SWORDFISH
0	385	SWRD	HMSP	SWORDFISH
W	106	SWRD	HMSP	SWORDFISH XIPHIAS GLADIUS
С	155	TSRK	HMSP	SHARK, COMMON THRESHER
0	023	TSRK	HMSP	SHARK, THRESHER
W	287	TSRK	HMSP	THRESHER SHARK ALOPIUS VULPINUS
W	387	TSRK	HMSP	THRESHER SHARK (REDUCTION) ALOPIUS VULPINUS
W	487	TSRK	HMSP	THRESHER SHARK (ANIMAL FOOD) ALOPIUS VULPINUS
С	98	PSRK	HMSP	SHARK, PELAGIC THRESHER
С	97	ISRK	HMSP	SHARK, BIGEYE THRESHER
С	151	MAKO	HMSP	SHARK, BONITO (MAKO)
0	026	MAKO	HMSP	SHARK, SHORTFIN MAKO
С	167	BSRK	HMSP	SHARK, BLUE
0	031	BSRK	HMSP	SHARK, BLUE
W	282	BSRK	HMSP	BLUE SHARK PRIONACE GLAUCA
W	382	BSRK	HMSP	
W	482	BSRK	HMSP	BLUE SHARK (ANIMAL FOOD) PRIONACE GLAUCA
С	481	DRDO	HMSP	DOLPHINFISH
0	292	DRDO	HMSP	DOLPHINFISH

Table 4-57. PacFIN species codes used to extract commercial fisheries data for this HMS SAFE report.

AGID = agency id (C=CDFG, O=ODFW, W=WDFW) CATEGORY = state species character code SPID = PacFIN species ID MGRP = PacFIN species management group DESCRIPTION = state species description

<sup>1</sup>PacFIN species codes in the HMSP management group that are not used include: C 92 MRLN HMSP MARLIN, STRIPED

O 388 MRLN HMSP MARLIN, STRIPED

AGID	GEAR	GRID	GRGROUP	DESCRIPTION
SUDE	ACE HOOK ANI			
		•		
С	001	POL	HKL	
С	002	POL	HKL	
С	006	POL	HKL	
С	007	TRL	TLS	
С	009	TRL	TLS	TROLL, (SALMON)
0	120	TRL	TLS	OCEAN TROLL
0	170	POL	HKL	TUNA BAITBOAT
W	41	TRL	TLS	TROLL (SALMON)
DRIFT	GILLNET (SWO	ORDFISH	& SHARK)	
С	065	DGN	NET	GILL NET, DRIFT
0	140	GLN	NET	OCEAN GILLNET
HARP				
C	012	ОТН	MSC	
C	012	ОП	IVISC	HARPOON/SPEAR
LONG	LINE (HMS)			
С	005	LGL	HKL	LONG LINE, SET
0	150	LGL	HKL	PELAGIC LONGLINE
W	43	LGL	HKL	SET LINE/LONG LINE
	E SEINE (TUNA	•		
С	070	SEN	NET	ENCIRCLING NETS
С	071	SEN	NET	PURSE SEINE
С	073	SEN	NET	DRUM PURSE SEINE
С	075	SEN	NET	LAMPARA NET
0	160	SEN	NET	TUNA SEINE

 Table 4-58. PacFIN gear codes used to extract commercial fisheries data for this HMS SAFE report.

AGID = agency id (C=CDFG, O=ODFW, W=WDFW) GEAR = state gear character code GRID = PacFIN gear ID GRGROUP = PacFIN gear group DESCRIPTION = state gear description

### 4.2 Recreational Fisheries

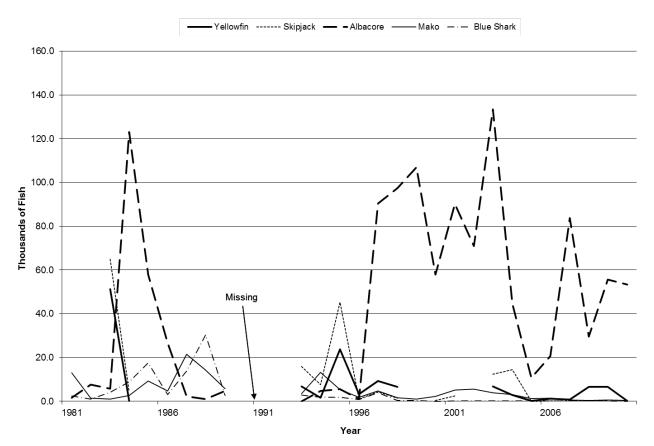


Figure 4-12. Catches by species (thousands of fish) for the West Coast recreational private sport fishing fleet, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–12 shows West Coast recreational private sport fishing fleet HMS catches by species, in thousands of fish. Table 4-58shows the numeric values, with added columns for species representing negligible shares of the overall catch (bluefin tuna, bigeye tuna, swordfish, marlin, common thresher shark, and dorado).

The principal catch species are the tunas, with albacore and yellowfin comprising the most important components of the catch. Albacore represented the largest share of overall private sport fishing boat catch in 2010. Common thresher shark was the most frequently caught shark species included in the HMS private boat catch in 2010.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from RecFIN on August 8, 2011. The data represent thousands of fish caught for each species. Tables were created for each species by requesting "examined" and "dead" catch types (RecFIN codes A + B1) summed across the range of waves within each year from 1981 through 2010. The primary source for the data was the Marine Recreational Fisheries Statistics Survey (MRFSS) survey for 1981-2003 and the California Recreational Fisheries Survey (CRFS) for 2004–2010. MRFSS and CRFS data are generally not comparable due to different sampling methodologies. Blank table entries represent missing values (including the years 1990–1992 for which no data are available). Data for 2010 are preliminary and may be incomplete.

Year	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bluefin	Albacore	Bigeye	Swordfish	Striped Marlin	Mako Shark	Thresher Shark	Blue Shark	Dorado
1981	Tenowini	Окірјаск	Dideilli	1.7	Digeye	Swordhält	Marini	13.0	Shark	2.4	Dorado
1982				7.6	2.5		0.8	1.5	2.2	1.1	
1983	51.3	65.0	0.6	5.7	0.6		0.8	1.1	2.2	4.2	4.7
1984	0.3	4.4	0.6	123.0	0.6		1.2	2.6	0.8	8.8	4.5
1985	0.5	4.4	0.0	57.9	0.0		0.7	9.3	0.0	17.6	4.5
1986				26.7			0.7	4.8	1.4	3.0	
1987		0.5		2.3			0.9	21.6	4.8	13.9	
1988		0.0		1.0			0.8	14.3	0.9	30.3	
1989	7.0	5.0		4.7			0.0	5.8	0.8	2.6	
1990		0.0						0.0	0.0	2.0	
1991											
1992											
1993	6.9	16.0		0.0			0.3	3.6	2.6	2.9	6.2
1994	1.7	7.7		4.8			0.4	13.3	3.6	1.8	1.0
1995	23.7	45.2		5.5			0.3	5.3	2.7	1.9	
1996	3.2	1.0		1.0				1.9	0.7	0.8	2.7
1997	9.2	4.3		90.5			0.4	4.8	0.5	3.9	19.8
1998	6.7	1.5	1.6	97.5				1.7	0.6	0.4	11.1
1999				106.9				1.1	1.3	0.5	1.1
2000	36.8	0.4		57.9	0.4			2.3	1.7	0.0	61.0
2001		2.5	1.0	90.1				5.1	2.2	0.1	
2002			0.9	70.9				5.6	1.6	0.1	0.2
2003	6.8	12.4		133.5	0.2			3.9	2.0	0.2	0.2
2004	2.9	14.5	0.1	44.6	0.0		0.0	3.0	4.5	0.3	3.2
2005	0.1	0.0	0.1	10.8			0.0	1.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
2006	1.3	0.3	0.2	20.6			0.0	1.5	0.5	0.1	12.9
2007	0.8	0.1	0.0	83.8		0.0		0.7	0.7	0.3	0.3
2008	6.7	0.3	0.4	29.6				0.4	0.8	0.1	16.9
2009	6.6	0.5	0.2	55.7			0.0	0.6	1.1	0.1	2.4
2010	0.2		0.0	53.4			0.0	0.4	0.7	0.0	0.0

Table 4-59. Catches by species (thousands of fish) for the West Coast recreational private sport fishing fleet, 1981–2010.

Data were extracted from RecFINby going to the link entitled "Tabulate Historical Estimates (1980-2003)." Blank cells indicate no data exist. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown. Extracted August 8, 2011.

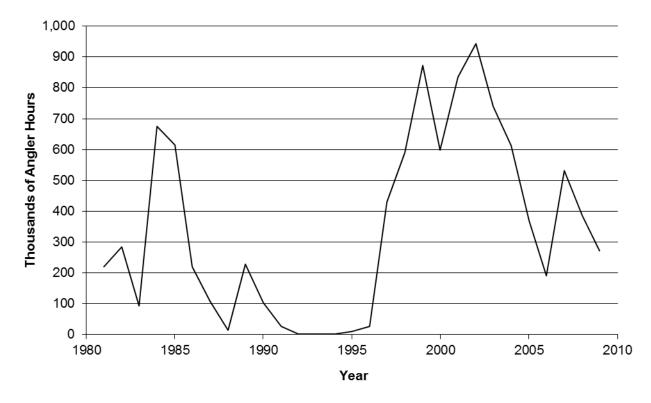


Figure 4-13. Albacore fishing hours (in thousands) for the California CPFV fleet annually, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–13 and Table 4-59present the total number of recorded hours of albacore fishing time for passengers on boats in the CPFV fleet for each year from 1981–2010. The fishing time shows a wide range of variation over the period, from a minimum of 891 hours in 1994 to a maximum of 943,755 hours in 2002, with a steady decline from 2002 through 2006. Albacore hours for 2010 decreased to 174,875 hours, continuing to trend down from 2007 through 2009.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from the CPFV logbook database, by selecting trip logs with the market code indicating albacore was caught. For the selected records, albacore hours were computed as the number of fishing hours multiplied by the number of passengers

Year	Albacore Hours
1981	219,274
1982	284,584
1983	94,051
1984	675,921
1985	614,060
1986	219,414
1987	108,287
1988	14,775
1989	227,960
1990	102,966
1991	26,487
1992	2,248
1993	1,458
1994	891
1995	10,464
1996	27,148
1997	429,092
1998	590,152
1999	872,207
2000	596,074
2001	835,143
2002	943,755
2003	740,230
2004	612,312
2005	370,636
2006	192,692
2007	531,004
2008	387,556
2009	296,021
2010	174,875

 Table 4-60. Albacore fishing hours for the California CPFV fleet, 1981–2010.

Source: CPFV Logbook Database. Extracted August 3, 2011.

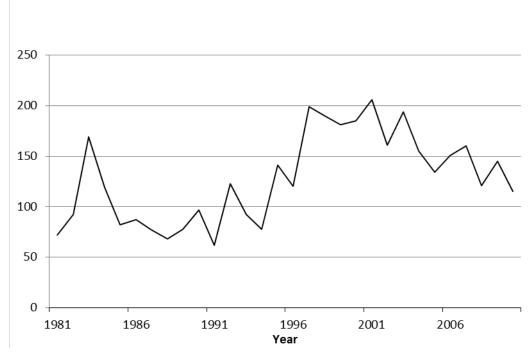


Figure 4-14. Annual numbers of CPFV vessels targeting HMS in California waters, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–14 and Table 4-60 present the number of vessels in the California CPFV fleet which targeted HMS in California waters annually from 1981 through 2010.

The number of vessels targeting HMS in California waters peaked at 206 in 2001 before declining to 121 vessels in 2008. A slight rebound to a level of 145 vessels was seen in 2009 before declining again to 115 vessels in 2010.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from the CPFV logbook database.

Year	Vessels
1981	72
1982	92
1983	169
1984	119
1985	82
1986	87
1987	77
1988	68
1989	78
1990	97
1991	62
1992	123
1993	92
1994	78
1995	141
1996	120
1997	199
1998	190
1999	181
2000	185
2001	206
2002	161
2003	194
2004	155
2005	134
2006	151
2007	160
2008	121
2009	145
2010	115

Table 4-61. Annual numbers of CPFV vessels targeting HMS in California waters, 1981–2010.

Source: CPFV Logbook Database. Extracted August 3, 2011.

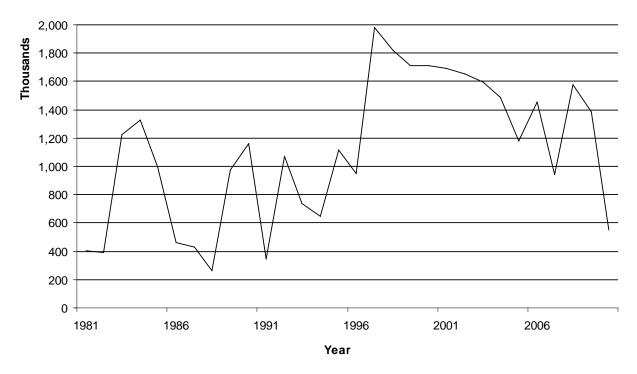


Figure 4-15. Annual numbers of angler hours (in thousands) for the California CPFV fleet, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation:** Figure 4–15 and Table 4-61show the number of angler hours for the California CPFV fleet which targeted HMS in each year from 1981 to 2010.

The number of angler hours shows a sizable variation over time, from a minimum of 263,433 in 1988 to a maximum of 1, 982,207 in 1997. Since 1997, the number of angler hours gradually declined to about 900,000 hours in 2007, but subsequently rebounded to more than 1,000,000 hours in 2008 and 2009. Angler hours dropped sharply in 2010 to 552,900, the lowest level since 1991.

**Source and Calculations**: The data were extracted from the CPFV logbook database.

Year	Angler Hours
1981	406,100
1982	393,620
1983	1,224,248
1984	1,324,407
1985	993,614
1986	458,523
1987	430,448
1988	263,433
1989	975,549
1990	1,162,217
1991	343,925
1992	1,068,365
1993	740,005
1994	647,049
1995	1,116,193
1996	948,204
1997	1,982,207
1998	1,821,848
1999	1,708,633
2000	1,712,145
2001	1,690,471
2002	1,654,025
2003	1,593,126
2004	1,490,142
2005	1,180,789
2006	1,457,769
2007	943,911
2008	1,579,081
2009	1,384,082
2010	552,900

 Table 4-62. Table 4–61. Annual numbers of angler hours for the California CPFV fleet, 1981–2010.

Source: CPFV Logbook Database. Extracted August 3, 2011.

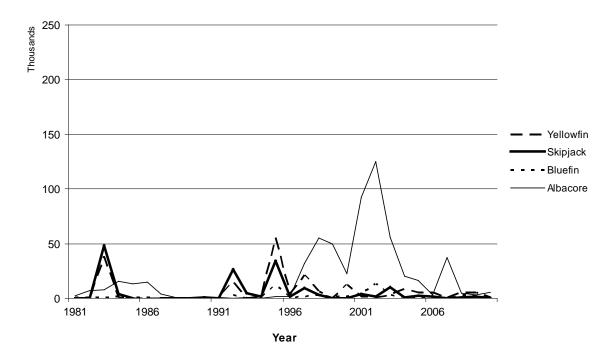


Figure 4-16. Annual catch in number of fish by species for the California CPFV fleet in California waters, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–16 and Table 4-62 show California CPFV fleet HMS catches by species which were caught in California waters. Figure 4-16 only displays the four most frequently caught constituents of the catch, all of which are tuna species. Table 4-60a displays the numeric values for additional species representing minor shares of the overall catch (bluefin tuna, bigeye tuna, swordfish, marlin, mako shark, thresher shark, blue shark, and dorado). The table displays catch data for California CPFVs fishing in California waters.

The principal species targeted are the tunas, with albacore of increasing importance relative to other species of tuna in recent years; however, in 2008-2009 the number of albacore caught in California waters was less than the number of yellowfin tuna that were caught. However, in 2010 albacore catch was more than yellowfin tuna catch. Blue shark was the most frequently caught shark species from the late 1980s through the early 1990s, but blue shark catch has been less than shortfin mako and thresher shark catch through 2009. In 2010, blue shark catch returned to a level not seen since 2001.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from the CPFV logbook database. Blank table entries indicate no catch was recorded.

Year	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bluefin	Albacore	Bigeye	Swordfish	Striped Marlin	Mako Shark	Thresher Shark	Blue Shark	Dorado
	81		419		25	Sworunsn	37	34	511al K 7	100	35
1981 1982	129	17 8	392	2,127 7,352	<u>25</u> 9		13		36	83	35
			443	,	176		28	28	136	22	1 050
1983 1984	37,816 421	48,254	1,765	7,833 15,527	26	2	28	<u>20</u> 49	136	35	1,258 527
	421	3,993 40	,	,	10	۷	9	49 18	29	<u>35</u> 19	
1985 1986		40	850 443	13,309 14,706	37		13	58	29 13	217	5 11
1966	0	167	<u>443</u> 5	3,580			8	296	13	645	11
				,		0					
1988	<u>9</u> 17	2 165	147 88	547	2	2	2	115	15 45	882	1
1989				367	2			302		4,469	
1990	216	1,008	198	275	5		7	231	51	2,675	7,147
1991	60	18	0.005	741			1	129	50	5,802	1.010
1992	15,457	26,326	3,325	379	7		12	130	29	1,109	1,912
1993	73	4,743	316	393		3	1	297	163	694	707
1994	2,285	1,797	10	171			5	269	30	497	64
1995	55,205	34,368	12,062	1,554	11	1	21	161	59	521	1,354
1996	4,203	1,199	439	1,826			5	237	31	439	646
1997	20,838	9,694	1,354	31,685	33		12	356	47	500	5,715
1998	6,339	3,162	2,828	55,065	27		6	150	28	94	378
1999	230	171	1,623	49,954	14		1	70	47	150	392
2000	12,786	190	1,562	22,150	60		2	83	40	149	4,343
2001	1,385	4,080	3,829	92,519	2	1		193	14	140	755
2002	509	1,817	13,245	125,138	2	2	2	189	11	15	298
2003	2,788	10,363	2,858	56,004				79	26	47	74
2004	8,330	735	485	20,197	63	2	1	250	18	6	671
2005	5,634	2,224	723	16,426	2		4	121	23	26	668
2006	5,407	1,765	1,349	3,402	4	3	2	178	27	18	11,329
2007	1,083	67	176	36,974			93	108	40	19	72
2008	5,597	821	3,158	4,530		2	1	77	45	17	5,621
2009	5,300	1,611	1,944	3,141			4	43	39	11	1,289
2010	1,020	7	306	5,710				32	68	140	3

Table 4-63. Annual catch in number of fish by species for the California Commercial Passenger Fishing Vessel fleet in California waters, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown. Source: CPFV Logbook Database, extracted August 3, 2011.

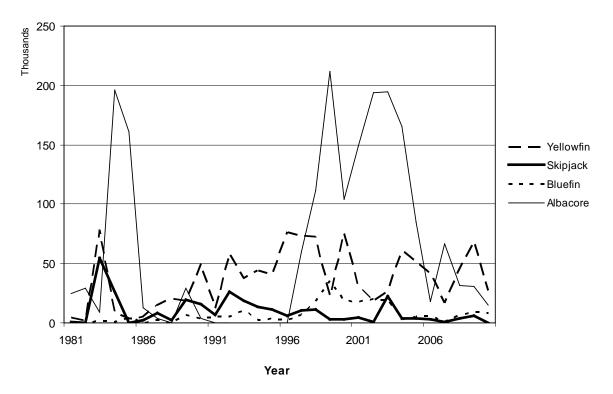


Figure 4-17. Catch in number of fish by species for the California CPFV fleet in Mexico waters annually, 1981–2010.

**Interpretation**: Figure 4–17 and Table 4-63show California CPFV fleet HMS catches by species which were caught in Mexico waters. The graph only displays the four most frequently caught constituents of the catch, all of which are tuna species. Table 4-60b displays the numeric values for additional species representing minor shares of the overall catch (bluefin tuna, bigeye tuna, marlin, mako shark, thresher shark, blue shark, and dorado). The table displays catch data for California CPFVs fishing in Mexico waters. For several species (e.g., dorado and the tunas), recent catch in Mexico waters substantially exceeds catch in California waters for the CPFV fleet.

The principal species targeted are the tunas, with albacore of higher catch frequency relative to other species of tuna in recent years; however, in 2008- 2010 the number of albacore caught was less than the number of yellowfin tuna caught.

<u>Source and Calculations</u>: The data were extracted from the CPFV logbook database. Blank table entries indicate no catch was recorded.

Year	Yellowfin	Skipjack	Bluefin	Albacore	Bigeye	Swordfish	Striped Marlin	Mako Shark	Thresher Shark	Blue Shark	Dorado
1981	4,478	418	123	24,521	217	1	30	3		1	1,246
1982	1,906	24	273	29,338	129		20	8		2	1,099
1983	78,482	54,786	1,469	9,328	2,077		37	1		6	3,734
1984	8,227	26,364	1,069	195,758	511		278	13			6,005
1985	3,882	317	4,298	161,194	659		64	8		1	1,357
1986	5,505	2,249	250	12,616	1,478		30	8		2	1,855
1987	14,796	8,038	1,946	3,466	628		160	8		6	3,518
1988	20,056	1,896	183	12	426		132	17		62	3,348
1989	19,059	19,571	6,431	29,361	42		33	8	1	6	2,340
1990	49,524	15,523	3,558	3,568	2,191		101	12		2	24,574
1991	11,702	6,788	5,330	272	256		11	10			1,301
1992	58,282	25,976	5,261	1	42		13	6	1	1	20,815
1993	37,069	19,080	10,219		46		29	11		1	8,245
1994	43,999	13,513	2,233		15		37	17		4	5,151
1995	41,271	10,904	3,963	1	27		18	17		10	3,971
1996	76,511	5,791	2,300	364	132		16	53	1	55	24,284
1997	73,326	10,804	6,984	59,529	253		12	19	2	32	24,162
1998	72,952	11,298	17,639	111,233	1,939	3	11	34		88	6,372
1999	22,418	2,632	35,174	211,947	1,092	1	2	27		72	3,745
2000	75,660	2,834	19,030	104,394	503		1	36		9	12,101
2001	30,925	4,649	18,078	148,994	9			49		72	3,448
2002	18,085	1,113	20,153	193,999	6		1	24			2,409
2003	27,267	22,189	19,433	194,549	66	2	4	37			3,143
2004	60,338	3,934	2,906	165,570	400		3	54			7,668
2005	51,314	3,682	5,034	84,657	37		14	41			6,033
2006	41,920	2,968	6,047	17,691	7		13	65		7	35,042
2007	16,713	375	839	66,459			1	27			6,374
2008	45,511	3,471	6,908	31,323	1		4	52			23,523
2009	68,273	6,328	8,810	30,463	4		3	8			15,727
2010	26,751	311	7,867	15,049				10	2		1,571

Table 4-64. Annual catch in number of fish by species for the California Commercial Passenger Fishing Vessel fleet in Mexico waters, 1981–2010.

Blank cells indicate no data exists. Any calculated or derived zeros are due to rounding of summarized data to less than half of the unit shown. Source: CPFV Logbook Database, extracted August 3, 2011.

# 5.0 UPDATED STATUS OF THE HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES MANAGEMENT UNIT SPECIES

This chapter contains a brief review of the stock status for each species with respect to the Counciladopted Control Rules. Section 5.1 summarizes the adopted Control Rules and the Status Determination Criteria. In Section 5.2, a table of the recent and upcoming assessment efforts of various international scientific bodies responsible for assessing several of the stocks is presented. Section 5.3 summarizes the results of stock assessments conducted in 2010. Stock structure is not fully understood for many of the species that range throughout the Pacific, thus some assessments for WCPO populations are also included, although those populations and their fisheries are not specifically managed under the HMS FMP. The summaries are derived from the assessments or reports of working group meetings associated with the assessments and do not necessarily represent the conclusions of the Council's HMSMT or NMFS. In many cases there has been minimal outside review of the assessment. Nevertheless, they represent the best available information for those species in 2010 to compare to past and future work.

Assessments of stock status always involve assumptions, uncertainty, and particular interpretations of fishery statistics. There are no universally-accepted standards by which to determine confidence for particular assessments, and "ground-truthing" (i.e., comparing assessment estimates to actual population counts) will never be possible over the broad range occupied by highly migratory species. Furthermore, for many of these species, the RFMOs have not agreed upon appropriate biological reference points for use in the context of managing fisheries. Therefore, explicit definitions for both overfished and sustainable exploitation levels are not currently available. Table 5-1 summarizes the current stock status of the management unit species with respect to overfishing and overfished criteria. The conclusions presented in the table should be reasonably accurate, but should also be treated with caution.

Finally, Section 5.4 provides links to assessments that have already been produced in 2011 by the respective RFMOs so that readers can access the most recent publicly available assessments of the management unit species. These assessments will be summarized in the 2011 HMS SAFE.

### 5.1 Control Rules for Management

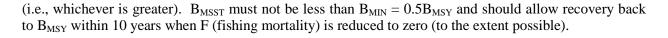
The Control Rules and Status Determination Criteria implemented in the HMS FMP are based on the Technical Guidance for National Standard 1 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Restrepo, et al. 1998). The following is a summary of the Control Rules for Management adopted for the HMS FMP.

In general, a default maximum sustainable yield (MSY) control rule was adopted for most MUS, with an optimum yield<sup>1</sup> (OY) target control rule for the vulnerable species (Figure 5–1).

For the less vulnerable species managed under the MSY Control Rule, the minimum stock size threshold (MSST), the minimum biomass at which recovery measures are to begin, is the ratio  $B_{MSST}/B_{MSY}$ . It specifies a lower biomass level that allows remedial action not to be triggered each time B drops below  $B_{MSY}$ , simply from natural variation. In terms of  $B_{MSY}$  the recommended level of  $B_{MSST}$  is:

$B_{MSST} = (1-M)B_{MSY}$	when M (natural mortality) $\leq 0.5$ , and
$B_{\rm MSST}=0.5B_{\rm MSY}$	when $M > 0.5$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Optimum yield (OY) is defined as MSY reduced by relevant socioeconomic factors, ecological considerations, and fishery-biological constraints so as to provide the greatest average long-term benefits to the Nation.



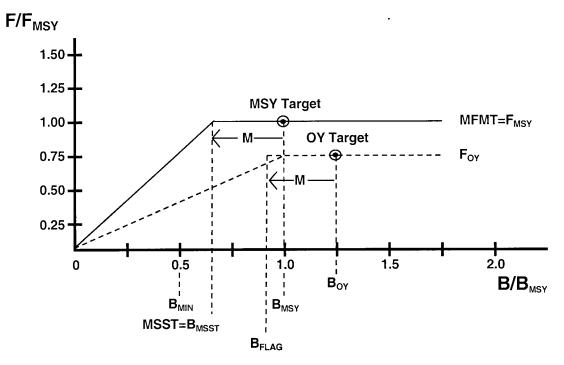


Figure 5-1. General model of MSY and OY Control Rules, from Restrepo, et al. 1998.

For the vulnerable species, which in this FMP includes the pelagic sharks, bluefin tuna, and striped marlin, there is a Minimum Biomass Flag ( $B_{FLAG}$ ) for the OY Control Rule equal to (1-M) $B_{OY}$  or 0.5 $B_{OY}$  (whichever is greater).  $B_{FLAG}$ , which would then be equivalent to 1.25( $B_{MSST}/B_{MSY}$ ), serves as a warning call to halt biomass reduction that would jeopardize obtaining OY. In this FMP, the OY for vulnerable species is set at 0.75MSY (or MSY proxy), and any harvest guideline is set equal to OY.

Rebuilding of overfished stocks is a unilateral requirement by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA), but internationally-fished stocks require cooperative catch reductions among the fishing nations for this rebuilding to be effective. U.S. responsibility in the rebuilding, however, will be greater the more localized the stock and the greater the domestic take of the stock's production.

Under the Magnuson-Stevens Reauthorization Act of 2006, the National Standard 1 guidelines have been revised regarding establishing annual catch limits (ACLs) and control rules. In 2009, the Council began considering a framework process under the HMS FMP to meet the revised NS1 Guidelines. The new framework was fully implemented in September 2011 and thus will be reported on in the 2011 HMS SAFE document.

### 5.2 Recent and Projected Assessment Schedule

Species (Stock)	Date (Next Anticipated)	Organization Responsible for the Assessment
TUNAS		
Albacore (NPO)	2006 (2011)	ISC (ISC)
Bluefin (NPO)	2010 (2012)	ISC (ISC)
Bigeye (EPO)	2010 (2011)	IATTC (IATTC)
Bigeye (WCPO)	2010 (2011)	WCPFC (WCPFC)
Skipjack (EPO)	2010 (2011)	IATTC (IATTC)
Skipjack (WCPO)	2010 (2011)	WCPFC (WCPFC)
Yellowfin (EPO)	2010 (2011)	IATTC (IATTC)
Yellowfin (WCPO)	2009 (2011)	WCPFC (WCPFC)
<u>BILLFISHES</u> Striped Marlin (EPO) Striped Marlin (NPO) Swordfish (SEPO) Swordfish (NEPO) Swordfish (NPO)	2007 (2012) 2006 (2011) 2010 2009 (2013)	ISC (ISC) IATTC (IATTC) ISC ISC (ISC)
<u>SHARKS</u> Common Thresher (WA/OR/CA EEZ) Pelagic Thresher Bigeye Thresher Shortfin Mako	2001 (2011) (2013)	NMFS (NMFS) (ISC)
Blue (NPO)	2009 (2012)	NMFS and NRIFSF Japan (ISC)
OTHER Dorado (EPO)	2005 (2012)	- · · · ·

Table 5-1. Schedule of recent and next anticipated assessments for FMP MUS and the organizations responsible for the assessments as of December 31, 2010.

Note: Text in parentheses indicates the year the next assessment is anticipated and the organization expected to conduct the assessment. The acronyms listed in this table are defined near the front of this document.

### 5.3 Conclusions from 2010 Pacific HMS stock assessments

### 5.3.1 Bluefin Tuna

### 5.3.1.1 Bluefin Tuna (NPO) - Update

The last full stock assessment of north Pacific bluefin tuna was conducted by the ISC Pacific Bluefin Working Group (PBFWG) in 2008 using fishery data through 2005 and the Stock Synthesis 2 modeling framework (ISC 2008). The assessment was accepted by the ISC Plenary, but the Plenary tasked the PBFWG to examine the cause of some uncertainties in the modeling. Since then an update to the assessment was conducted in 2009 using the same data, a different natural mortality schedule and Stock Synthesis 3 (ISC 2009b). In 2010, another update to the assessment was conducted using Stock Synthesis 3 with fishery data through 2007 and all other modeling assumptions as in the 2009 update (ISC 2010a). A suite of sensitivity runs were also conducted. The analyses provided updates in relative trends in fishing mortality and biomass rather than estimates of absolute levels. Key results of the 2010 update as summarized in the ISC's Tenth Plenary Report (ISC 2010b) are listed below.

"The estimate of spawning biomass in 2008 (at the end of the 2007 fishing year) declined from 2006 and

is estimated to be in the range of the 40-60 percentile of the historically observed spawning biomasses.

Average fishing mortality 2004-2006 ( $F_{2004-2006}$ ) had increased from  $F_{2002-2004}$  by 6 percent for age-0, approximately 30 percent for ages 1-4, and 6 percent for ages 5+.

30-year projections predict that at  $F_{2004-2006}$ , median spawning biomass is likely to decline to levels around the 25th percentile of historical spawning biomass, with approximately 5 percent of the projections declining to or below the lowest previously observed spawning biomass. At  $F_{2002-2004}$ , median spawning biomass is likely to decline in subsequent years but recover to levels near the median of the historically observed levels. In contrast to  $F_{2004-2006}$ ,  $F_{2002-2004}$  had no projections (0 percent) declining to the lowest observed spawning biomass. In both projections, long-term average yield is expected to be lower than recent levels."

Based on the 2009 update when absolute estimates of F, biomass and spawning biomass were calculated, fishing mortality for 2002-04 ( $F_{2002-04}$ ) was greater than most commonly used biological reference points that may serve, in principle, as potential target reference points.  $F_{MSY}$  is roughly equivalent to  $F_{MAX}$ , given the model assumptions. The recent estimation of F,  $F_{2002-2004}$  exceeded  $F_{MAX}$  by 46 percent (ISC 2009). Thus, based on the 2009 assessment update and considering  $F_{MAX}$  as a proxy to  $F_{MSY}$ , NMFS determined that overfishing of bluefin tuna was occurring.

Catch of bluefin tuna by U.S. West Coast fisheries constitutes less than one percent of the North Pacificwide catch.

### 5.3.2 Bigeye Tuna

### 5.3.2.1 Bigeye Tuna (EPO)

Stock status of bigeye tuna in the Eastern Pacific is assessed every 1-2 years by the IATTC. A new assessment was conducted using Stock Synthesis 3 in September 2010 (Aires-da-Silva and Maunder 2011) and is based on the assumption that there is a single stock of bigeye tuna in the EPO. Improvements to the assessment including changes to some of the modeling assumptions were made based on a comprehensive external review of the previous assessment. Below is a summary of results from the assessment which downloaded report can be from http://www.iattc.org/PDFFiles2/StockAssessmentReports/SAR-11-BET-ENG.pdf. These results are based on the base case assessment for which steepness of the stock-recruitment relationship was fixed at 1 (i.e. recruitment is independent of stock size).

"The MSY-based estimates were computed with the parameter estimates from the base case assessment and estimated fishing mortality patterns averaged over 2007 and 2009. Therefore, while these MSY-based results are currently presented as point estimates, there are uncertainties in the results.

At the beginning of January 2010, the spawning biomass of bigeye tuna in the EPO appears to have been about 33 percent higher than  $S_{MSY}$ , and the recent catches are estimated to have been about 17 percent greater than the MSY.

If fishing mortality is proportional to fishing effort, and the current patterns of age-specific selectivity are maintained,  $F_{MSY}$  is about 13 percent higher than the current level of effort."

"The results are more pessimistic if a stock-recruitment relationship is assumed, if a higher value is assumed for the average size of the older fish, if lower rates of natural mortality are assumed for adult bigeye, and if only the late period of the fishery (1995-2009) is included in the

assessment; the results are more optimistic if a lower value is assumed for the average size of the older fish, and if higher levels of natural mortality are assumed for adult bigeye."

Catch of bigeye tuna by U.S. West Coast fisheries constitutes less than one percent of the Eastern Pacificwide catch.

# 5.3.2.2 Bigeye Tuna (WCPO)

An assessment of bigeye tuna in the WCPO was conducted by the WCPFC's Scientific Committee in August 2010 (Harley et al. 2010). The assessment was conducted using MULTIFAN-CL. The base case model selected to determine stock status was model 3d for which steepness of the stock recruitment relationship was estimated. In general, the results are slightly more optimistic in comparison to the 2009 assessment. Below is a summary of the results excerpted from the Report of the Sixth Scientific Committee meeting (WCPFC 2011). The assessment document can be downloaded from http://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/documents/meetings/scientific-committee/6th-regular-session/stock-status-theme/working-papers/WCPFC-SC6-2010-SA-WP-04 BET\_Assessment.pdf.

"For the base model,  $F_{\text{current}}/F_{\text{MSY}}$  is estimated at 1.41, indicating that overfishing is occurring for the WCPO bigeye tuna stock and that in order to reduce fishing mortality to  $F_{\text{MSY}}$ , a 29 percent reduction in fishing mortality is required from the 2005-2008 level. Considering historical levels of fishing mortality, a 31 percent reduction in fishing mortality from 2004 levels is required (consistent with the aim of CMM2008-01), and a 20 percent reduction from average 2001-2004 levels.

Current stock status in the base model indicates that the current total (B) and spawning biomass (SB) are higher than the associated MSY levels ( $B_{current}/B_{MSY} = 1.39$  and  $SB_{current}/SB_{MSY} = 1.34$ ). This indicates that the WCPO bigeye stock is not in an overfished state if the spawning biomass reference period is 2005-2008. However, if the spawning biomass period is considered to be 2009, then the spawning biomass is further reduced ( $SB_{latest}/SB_{MSY} = 1.17$ ).

Stock status results with regard to MSY reference points (RPs) are far worse when a lower (0.75) value of steepness is assumed; a 49 percent reduction in fishing mortality is required from the 2005-2008 level to reduce fishing mortality to  $F_{MSY}$ . The stock is in a slightly overfished state ( $SB_{latest}/SB_{MSY} = 0.97$ ) when the lower value of steepness (0.75) is assumed."

### 5.3.3 Skipjack Tuna

# 5.3.3.1 Skipjack Tuna (EPO)

Skipjack tuna is a difficult species to assess due to uncertainties about stock structure, the vulnerabilities of all age classes, and how well fishery CPUE data tracks abundance. Thus, in 2007 the IATTC developed methods to evaluate indicators of skipjack biomass, recruitment, and exploitation rate and used simple indicators of stock status based on relative values of fishery data, such as, CPUE, average weight of fish caught, and effort (Maunder and Deriso 2007). In 2010, the IATTC updated the indicators of stock status for EPO skipjack with data through 2009 (Maunder 2011). The recent report can be downloaded from <a href="http://iattc.org/PDFFiles2/StockAssessmentReports/SAR-11-SKJ-ENG.pdf">http://iattc.org/PDFFiles2/StockAssessmentReports/SAR-11-SKJ-ENG.pdf</a>. A brief excerpt from the report is provided below.

"The purse-seine catch has been increasing since 1985, and has fluctuated around the upper reference level since 2003. Except for a large peak in 1999, the floating-object CPUE has generally fluctuated around an average level since 1990. The unassociated CPUE has been higher than average since about 2003 and was at its highest level in 2008. The standardized effort

indicator of exploitation rate has been increasing since about 1991 and has been above the upper reference level in recent years, but dropped below it in 2009. The average weight of skipjack has been declining since 2000, and in 2009 was below the lower reference level. Ignoring the peak in 2000, average length has been declining since 1985. The biomass, recruitment, and exploitation rate have been increasing over the past 20 years, and have fluctuated at high levels since 2003.

The main concern with the skipjack stock is the constantly increasing exploitation rate. However, the data- and model-based indicators have yet to detect any adverse consequence of this increase. The average weight is below its lower reference level, which can be a consequence of overexploitation, but it can also be caused by recent recruitments being greater than past recruitments. The continued decline in average length is a concern and, combined with leveling off of catch and CPUE, may indicate that the exploitation rate is approaching or above the level associated with MSY."

Catch of skipjack tuna by U.S. West Coast fisheries constitutes less than 1 percent of the Eastern Pacificwide catch.

# 5.3.3.2 Skipjack Tuna (WCPO)

An assessment of skipjack tuna in the WCPO was conducted by the WCPFC's Scientific Committee in August 2010 (Hoyle et al. 2010). The assessment was conducted using MULTIFAN-CL. The model is age and spatially structured with catch, effort, size composition, and tagging data grouped into 17 fisheries and quarterly time periods from 1952 through 2009. Results from the base case run and associated sensitivities indicate that the exploitation is well below that which would produce maximum sustainable yield and the stock size is roughly 60 percent of its unfished level. Below is a summary of the results excerpted from the Report of the Sixth Scientific Committee meeting (WCPFC 2011).

"Fishing mortality rates tended to be higher during the last decade than for the preceding period and fishing mortality and biomass indicators relative to MSY started to move to 1.0, although they remained substantially below the  $F_{\text{MSY}}$  level ( $F_{\text{current}}/\tilde{F}_{\text{MSY}} = 0.34$ ). The stock is not in an overfished state because biomass is above the  $B_{\text{MSY}}(B_{\text{current}}/\tilde{B}_{\text{MSY}} = 2.42)$ .

The assessment document can be downloaded from <u>http://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/</u> <u>documents/meetings/scientific-committee/6th-regular-session/stock-status-theme/working-</u> <u>papers/WCPFC-SC6-2010-SA-WP-11\_SKJ\_Assessment\_Rev.1.pdf.</u>

# 5.3.4 Yellowfin Tuna

# 5.3.4.1 Yellowfin Tuna (EPO) - update

Stock status of yellowfin tuna in the Eastern Pacific is assessed every 1-2 years by the IATTC. An updated assessment was conducted in September 2010 using the same Stock Synthesis model and assumptions as in 2009, but with some updated fishery data and new data for 2009 (Maunder and Aires-da-Silva 2011). The assessment is based on the assumption that there is a single stock of yellowfin tuna in the EPO, although it is likely that there is a continuous stock throughout the Pacific Ocean with exchange of individuals at a local level. Fishing is concentrated in the east and west, making separate consideration of the EPO stock relevant for management purposes. Below are the key results of the assessment excerpted from the assessment report which can be downloaded from http://iattc.org/PDFFiles2/StockAssessmentReports/SAR-11-YFT-ENG.pdf.

"1. There is uncertainty about recent and future recruitment and biomass levels, and there are retrospective patterns of overestimating recent recruitment.

2. The recent fishing mortality rates are lower than those corresponding to the MSY.

3. Increasing the average weight of the yellowfin caught could increase the MSY.

4. There have been two, and possibly three, different productivity regimes, and the levels of MSY and the biomasses corresponding to the MSY may differ among the regimes. The population may have recently switched from the high to an intermediate productivity regime.

5. The results are more pessimistic if a stock-recruitment relationship is assumed.

6. The results are sensitive to the natural mortality assumed for adult yellowfin and the length assumed for the oldest fish."

Catch of yellowfin tuna by U.S. West Coast fisheries constitutes less than 1 percent of the Eastern Pacific-wide catch.

### 5.3.5 Striped Marlin

### 5.3.5.1 Striped Marlin (NEPO)

In 2010, the IATTC conducted analyses of stock status for striped marlin in the EPO using fisheries data from 1975 through 2009 (Hinton and Maunder 2010). The assessment was conducted with Stock Synthesis 3 and assumed limited mixing of the northeast Pacific stock with other areas of the Pacific, although there is potential for a seasonal presence of juveniles from a north-central Pacific stock. Input data included catch, discards, sizes and standardized CPUE indices for 3 Japanese longline fisheries. Steepness of the stock recruitment relationship was set at 1.0 in the base case. Below is a summary excerpted from the report which downloaded from can be http://iattc.org/PDFFiles2/StockAssessmentReports/SAR-11-MLS-ENG.pdf.

"The results of the assessment indicated that overfishing of the stock of striped marlin in the northeast Pacific Ocean was not occurring and that the stock was not overfished. Total removals from the population, the retained catch and dead discards, decreased steadily from about 3,300 t in 1997 to about 930 t in 2004, and since then the annual average removal has been about 1,350 t. The following estimates from the assessment indicated that overfishing was not occurring:  $C_{(2009)}/MSY = 0.52$ , and  $F_{mult} = 13.3$ . The stock biomass has steadily increased from a low of about 2,600 t in 2003 to about 5,100 in 2009, and over the same period, the SBR [ratio of observed spawning biomass to the spawning biomass in the unexploited stock] has increased steadily from about 0.78 to 1.52."

"It is expected that if removals continue at levels recently observed, then the biomass of the stock of striped marlin in the northeast Pacific Ocean will continue to increase over the near term."

Catch of striped marlin by U.S. West Coast fisheries constitutes about one percent of the Eastern Pacificwide catch.

### 5.3.6 Swordfish

### 5.3.6.1 Swordfish (NEPO) - Update

The status and stock structure of NPO swordfish was assessed by the ISC Billfish Working Group in 2009 (ISC 2009). Modeling was based on a two stock hypothesis comprised of a northwest and central North

Pacific stock and a southeastern North Pacific stock separated by an irregular boundary extending from Baja California, Mexico to the southwest<sup>2</sup>. Fishery data used in 2009 for the eastern region (IATTC area) were deemed incomplete. Thus, in 2010, the ISC Billfish Working Group conducted an update to the 2009 assessment for the EPO region only that included new EPO fishery data (Brodziak 2010). Below is a summary of the results of the EPO assessment update from the ISC Tenth Plenary Report (ISC 2010b). The full assessment report can be downloaded from <a href="http://isc.ac.affrc.go.jp/pdf/BILL/BILL\_Apr10\_FINAL\_WP02.pdf">http://isc.ac.affrc.go.jp/pdf/BILL/BILL\_Apr10\_FINAL\_WP02.pdf</a>.

"Based on the 2009 stock assessment results, the exploitable biomass of the WCPO SWO stock [in the North Pacific] was estimated to be about 75,000 t in 2006 ( $B_{2006}$ ), roughly 30 percent above  $B_{MSY}$ . The exploitation rate on the WCPO stock in 2006 was estimated to be 14 percent with a total catch of roughly 9,900 t or roughly 69 percent of MSY (MSY=14,400 t). There was very high probability that  $B_{2006}$  was above  $B_{MSY}$ , a 93 out of 100 chance, and there was a 0 out of 100 chance that the exploitation rate in 2006 exceeded the rate to produce MSY.

Based on the 2010 stock assessment update results for the EPO stock only, the exploitable biomass of the EPO SWO stock was estimated to be about 69,000 t in 2006, over 200 percent above  $B_{MSY}$ . Exploitation rate on the EPO stock in 2006 was estimated to be 6 percent with a total catch of roughly 3,900 t or roughly 78 percent of MSY (MSY=5,000 t). There was very high probability that  $B_{2006}$  was above  $B_{MSY}$ , a 99 out of 100 chance, and there was a two out of 100 chance that the exploitation rate in 2006 exceeded the rate to produce MSY.

The exploitable biomass of the WCPO SWO stock was 31 percent above  $B_{MSY}$  and the exploitation rate was 46 percent below  $F_{MSY}$  in 2006. Similarly, exploitable biomass of the EPO SWO stock was over two-fold greater than  $B_{MSY}$  and the exploitation rate was 62 percent below  $F_{MSY}$  in 2006.

Catch of swordfish by U.S. West Coast fisheries constitutes about 5.8 percent of the Eastern Pacific-wide catch.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A figure in the assessment report linked below shows the stock separation boundary.

### 5.4 Most Recent Pacific HMS Stock Assessments through August 2011

The following table includes links to information on the most recent Pacific HMS stock assessments through August 2011, including those which were conducted after December 31, 2010.

Species (Stock)	Organization Responsible for Assessment	Link to Assessment Report
Albacore (NPO)	ISC	http://isc.ac.affrc.go.jp/pdf/ISC11pdf/Annex_9_ISC11_AL BWG_Stock%20Assessment%20Workshop%20Report_FI NAL_complete.pdf.\
Bigeye (EPO)	IATTC	http://iattc.org/Meetings2011/May-SAC- Shark/PDFfiles/SAC-02-07-BET-assessment-2010.pdf
Bigeye (WCPO)	WCPFC	http://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/documents/meetings/scie ntific-committee/7th-regular-session/stock-status- theme/working-papers/SC7-SA-WP- 02%20%5BBET%20Assessment%5D.pdf
Skipjack (EPO)	IATTC	http://iattc.org/Meetings2011/May-SAC- Shark/PDFfiles/SAC-02-08-SKJ-assessment-2010.pdf
Skipjack (WCPO)	WCPFC	http://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/documents/meetings/scie ntific-committee/7th-regular-session/stock-status- theme/working-papers/SC-7-SA-WP- 04%20%5BSKJ%20Assessment-rev1%5D.pdf
Yellowfin (EPO)	IATTC	http://iattc.org/Meetings2011/May-SAC- Shark/PDFfiles/SAC-02-06-YFT-assessment-2010.pdf
Yellowfin (WCPO)	WCPFC	http://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/documents/meetings/scie ntific-committee/7th-regular-session/stock-status- theme/working-papers/SC7-SA-WP- 03%20%5BYellowfin%20tuna%20stock%20assessment- rev.1%20-%2003Aug2011%5D.pdf
Swordfish (SEPO)	IATTC	http://iattc.org/Meetings2011/May-SAC- Shark/PDFfiles/SAC-02-09-SWO-assessment-2010- DRAFT.pdf (Draft document)

 Table 5-2. Links to Information on Most Recent Pacific HMS Stock Assessments through August 2011

#### Table 5-3. Recent stock status with respect to management criteria.

Note that for most of these species, the scientific bodies developing the assessments do not have a consensus biological reference point for use in the context of managing the fisheries. Levels of F and B are provided based on the most recent analyses, but in many cases the analyses have not been updated for several years. Thus, those findings should be viewed cautiously for management purposes.

Species (stock)	$\frac{F_{Recent}}{F_{MSY}}^{1}$	Overfishing? (F/F <sub>MSY</sub> >1.0)	$\frac{B_{Recent}}{B_{MSY}}^{l}$	$\frac{B_{MSST}}{B_{MSY}}$	Overfished? (B <sub>Recent</sub> <b<sub>MSST)</b<sub>	$\frac{{B_{FLAG}}^2}{(1.25 B_{MSST} / B_{MSY})}$	Assessment
TUNAS		3	3				
Albacore (NPO)	$1.67 - 2.31^3$	Unknown <sup>3</sup>	Unknown <sup>3</sup>	0.7	Unknown <sup>3</sup>		ISC 2007a
Bluefin (NPO)	$1.46^{4}$	$Y^4$	0.88	0.75	N	0.94	ISC 2009b
Bigeye (EPO)	0.885	N	1.335	0.6	N		IATTC, Aires-da-Silva and Maunder 2011
Bigeye (WCPO)	1.41 <sup>6</sup>	Y	1.396	0.6	N		WCPFC, Harley et al. 2010
Skipjack (EPO)	Unknown'	Unlikely <sup>7</sup>	Unknown <sup>7</sup>	0.5	Unlikely <sup>7</sup>		IATTC, Maunder 2010
Skipjack (WCPO)	0.34 <sup>8</sup>	Ν	2.428	0.5	Ν		WCPFC, Hoyle et al. 2010
Yellowfin (EPO)	0.75	Ν	1.15	0.5	Ν		IATTC, Maunder and Aires-da-Silva 2011
Yellowfin (WCPO)	$0.58^{9}$	Y	$1.57^{9}$	0.5	Ν		WCPFC, Langley et al. 2009
BILLFISHES	10	10					
Striped Marlin (NPO)	Unknown <sup>10</sup>		Unknown	0.5	Unknown		ISC 2007b
Striped Marlin (NEPO)	$0.16^{11}$	Ν	$\geq 1.0^{11}$	0.5	Ν	0.63	IATTC, Hinton and Maunder 2011
Swordfish (NEPO)	$0.59^{12}$	Ν	$2.10^{12}$	0.61-0.8	Ν		ISC, Brodziak 2010
Swordfish (NWPO)	$0.54^{12}$	Ν	1.31 <sup>12</sup>	0.61-0.8	Ν		ISC 2009a
<u>SHARKS</u>	10						
C. Thresher (CA,OR,WA)		Ν	~1.10	0.77	Ν	0.96	NMFS, PFMC HMS plan development team 2002
Pelagic Thresher	Unknown <sup>14</sup>		Unknown	0.85	Unknown	1.06	
Bigeye Thresher	Unknown <sup>15</sup>	Unknown	Unknown	0.78	Unknown	0.97	
Shortfin Mako	$< 1.0^{16}$	Ν	>1.0	0.71	Ν	0.89	NMFS, PFMC HMS plan development team 2002
Blue	$0.86^{17}$	Ν	$1.11^{17}$	0.78	Ν	0.97	NMFS and NRIFSF Japan, Kleiber et al. 2009
<u>OTHER</u>							
Dorado	Unknown <sup>18</sup>	Unknown	Unknown	0.5	Unknown		

Notes:

Measures of F<sub>MSY</sub> and B<sub>MSY</sub> are not available for all species. Various proxies for these values have been used in preparing this table. However, PFMC has not adopted the use of a particular proxy; hence the designation of Overfishing and Overfished should be considered preliminary.

<sup>2</sup> For vulnerable species managed under the OY control rule only: bluefin tuna, striped marlin, and pelagic sharks.

<sup>3</sup> Albacore results are based on a suite of  $F_{MSY}$  proxies ( $F_{40\%}$ ,  $F_{35\%}$ ,  $F_{30\%}$  and  $F_{0.1}$ ), the estimated level of recent (2002-2004) fishing pressure (F=0.75), and constant productivity (R = 27.375 million recruits). However, "Unknown" is indicated because of the lack of accepted reference points for management.

<sup>4</sup> ISC considers F<sub>MSY</sub> as roughly equivalent to F<sub>MAX</sub>, given the model assumptions, and used an instantaneous annual F averaged across years (2002-2004) by age.

<sup>5</sup> EPO bigeye and EPO yellowfin results are based on base-case assessments assuming no stock-recruitment relationships and estimated recent (2007-2009) fishing effort.

- <sup>6</sup> WCPO bigeye results are based on model3d for which steepness of the stock recruitment relationship was estimated.
- <sup>7</sup> Because of uncertainties in the estimates of growth and natural mortality, MSY-proxy reference points could not be calculated for EPO skipjack; however, based on methods examining non-MSY based stock condition indicators, the IATTC does not consider there to be a need for management due to recent high CPUE indices and high biomass estimates relative to historical levels.
- <sup>8</sup> WCPO skipjack results are from the base-case assessment with steepness equal to 0.75.
- <sup>9</sup> WCPO yellowfin results are based on the 2009 base-case assessment: "CPUE low, LL sample high, LL Q incr".
- <sup>10.</sup> MSY-proxy reference points were not be calculated for NP striped marlin; however, the declining biomass trend and the level of recent fishing effort relative to many commonly used MSY proxy reference points indicates overfishing may be occurring. The ISC recommended that a plan be developed to reduce F and until that plan is adopted that F not be increased.
- <sup>11</sup> The area covered by the assessment was the EPO north of 5° N latitude and east of 145° W longitude. The base case Stock Synthesis model demonstrates that the NEPO striped marlin population is in good condition with the estimated ratio of spawning biomass in 2009 to that at MSY equal to 1.19, but a B<sub>recent</sub>/B<sub>MSY</sub> estimate was not provided.
- <sup>12</sup> Results from Bayesian Surplus Production analysis of two substocks of swordfish: one in the northwestern Pacific Ocean and the second in the northeast Pacific Ocean provided status updates relative to MSY for each region separately.
- <sup>13</sup> U.S. West Coast EEZ regional catch and CPUE demonstrated the population increasing from estimated low levels in the early 1990s. Recent (2005-2009) West Coast total landings average 194 mt, which is less than  $0.75 \times MSY$  proxy (MSY proxy = LMSY from the Population Growth Rate method)
- <sup>14</sup> Status unknown, but catches are incidental and occur on the edge of the species' range, predominately during warm water years.
- <sup>15</sup> Status unknown, but catches are incidental and occur on the edge of the species' range.
- <sup>16</sup> Tentative results based on commercial landings and CPUE calculations. Recent (2005–2009) West Coast total landings average 53 mt, which is less than  $0.75 \times MSY$  proxy (MSY proxy = average landings 1981–1999).
- <sup>17</sup> Results for North Pacific blue shark are based on the base-case integrated model conducted with MULTIFAN-CL; F<sub>current</sub> is the average F for the period 1998-2001.
- <sup>18</sup> Status unknown, but dorado are highly productive and widely distributed throughout tropical/subtropical Pacific. Recent (2005-2009) West Coast total landings average 120 mt.

Species (stock)	Stockwide	U.S. West Coast Catch		Average Annual
	Catch	Commercial	Recreational	Fractional Catch
TUNAS				
Albacore (NPO)	63-93 <sup>1</sup>	9–13	0.2-0.9	0.16
Bluefin (NPO)	$20-29^1$	< 0.42	0.01-0.1	< 0.01
Bigeye (EPO)	93–118 <sup>2</sup>	< 0.04	< 0.01	< 0.01
Skipjack (EPO)	$210-299^2$	< 0.53	≤0.02	< 0.01
Yellowfin (EPO)	$178-283^2$	< 0.29	0.1-0.36	< 0.01
BILLFISHES				
Striped Marlin (EPO)	$0.7 - 2.4^2$	< 0.01 <sup>3</sup>	< 0.034	0.01
Swordfish (EPO)	$4.5-13.2^2$	0.3–0.6	< 0.01	0.06
SHARKS				
Common Thresher	Unknown	0.1-0.2	0.01-0.06	
Pelagic Thresher	Unknown	< 0.01		
Bigeye Thresher	Unknown	≤0.01		
Shortfin Mako	Unknown	0.03-0.05	< 0.03	
Blue (NPO)	Unknown	$< 0.04^{3}$	< 0.01	
OTHER				
Dorado	6.5-53 <sup>2</sup>	< 0.01	0.04–0.26	0.01

Table 5-4. Stockwide and regional catches for HMS management unit species (x1,000 mt round weight), 2005–2009.

Notes:

Data for U.S. West Coast catch are from updated commercial, CPFV and private recreational catches with weight conversions of 8.7 kg/albacore, 8.7 kg/bluefin, 10.0 kg/bigeye tuna, 3.0 kg/skipjack, 4.9 kg/yellowfin, 57.9 kg/striped marlin, 113 kg/swordfish, 29.2 kg/common thresher, 16.8 kg/mako, 8 kg/blue shark, and 5.6 kg/dorado.

<sup>1</sup> International Scientific Committee Eleventh Plenary Report Catch Tables, August 2011.

<sup>2</sup> IATTC catch tables extracted 8/18/11.

<sup>3</sup> Striped marlin and blue shark commercial catches include estimates from the drift gillnet observed catch.

<sup>4</sup> Striped marlin recreational catch is estimated at 300 fish/year based on club records plus CPFV logbook recorded catch.

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## 6.0 RESEARCH AND DATA NEEDS

## 6.1 Research and Data Needs

This section is intended to explicitly link HMS research and data needs to the Council's current management priorities. These priorities should be considered in light of two central characteristics of HMS research and data needs. First, the two regional fishery management organizations (RFMOs) involved with management of HMS FMP stocks—the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC)—coordinate and conduct their own stock assessments. In addition, a third scientific organization—the International Scientific Committee (ISC) on Tuna and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific Ocean—provides scientific advice on the status of North Pacific HMS stocks that straddle the 150° W longitude boundary between the RFMOs. Although research and stock assessment of the tunas, billfishes, and pelagic sharks in HMS FMP would ideally consider stocks throughout their entire range, the reality is that not all species in the HMS FMP benefit from international scientific coordination.

Second, there is substantial uncertainty on the status of stocks and/or estimates of MSY for many HMS species. Basic biological and life history data are unknown for some species, and understanding of distribution, abundance, and reproductive behaviors of most HMS species is poor. There is insufficient understanding of stock structures relative to the extent of fisheries, on the interchange between stocks, and on survival and fecundity schedules for investigating exploitation effects and species' resiliency to exploitation. There is also a lack of fishery independent indexes of abundance. These data gaps will likely need to be considered closely during implementation of the MSA revised National Standard 1 guidelines.

## 6.1.1 Highest Priority Issues

## 6.1.1.1 North Pacific Albacore

<u>Fisheries Statistics:</u> Timely submission of national fishery data to the ISC Albacore WG data manager is critical for producing timely and up-to-date stock assessments. Additional resources are needed to monitor the submission of these data, to provide adequate database management, and to adequately document the entire database system, including metadata catalogs. Electronic reporting systems increase data entry convenience for industry participants, reduce processing time and costs for data managers, and significantly improve the quality of data being collected through validation checks. Following examples set in Alaska and on the east coast, the implementation of an electronic fish ticket system on the West Coast would greatly improve the availability, timeliness and accuracy of fishery landings data. The development of a coastwide, multi-fisheries electronic logbook system would provide similar results for logbook data.

<u>Biological Studies:</u> Biological information is a critical building block for stock assessments and should be reviewed and updated regularly to capture changes in population parameters as they occur. Unfortunately, these updates have not been accomplished for North Pacific albacore because of limited resources for biological studies. Consequently, the stock assessment models used by the ISC Albacore WG still rely on some biological information that was developed largely in the 1950s and 1960s, although updated length-weight schedules have been applied and a recent age and growth study has provided new information.

There is a critical need to reassess the biological information and to conduct contemporary research studies to update this information. More specifically, there is a critical need to conduct and/or continue

studies on:

- age and growth with the goal of updating growth rates and identifying regional differences in growth rates;
- reproductive biology with the goal of updating the maturity schedule and identifying regional differences;
- migration and habitat utilization, with the goal of determining migration and habitat use patterns, improving fishery catch-effort standardization and fishery selectivity/catchability estimates;
- stock structure with the goal of identifying possible sub-stocks in the EPO;
- natural mortality with the goal of estimating natural mortality rates using well-designed tagging experiments;
- influence of environmental conditions on albacore biological parameters, including recruitment, growth, migration, habitat use, and catchability of albacore; and
- albacore age and length data through port and biological sampling.

<u>Stock Assessment and Management Studies</u>: Demand for more frequent and more precise information on the status of the stock and the sustainability of albacore fisheries is likely to increase. With this in mind, the albacore stock assessment needs improvement in several areas:

- evaluate effects of changes to assessment model structure and assumptions, by challenging the assessment model with data generated by a simulation model tuned to albacore biology;
- develop simulations to assist fishery managers in selecting appropriate biological reference points for albacore;
- development and improvement of abundance indices from commercial and recreational fisheries;
- stock-recruitment relationship, with the goal of improving current assumptions of the stock-recruitment relationship;
- development of models that include tagging data from a variety of tags, e.g., conventional, electronic, and biological tags; and
- development of environmental indices that strongly influence albacore population dynamics and evaluate effects of including these environmental indices in assessment models.

## 6.1.1.2 Swordfish

<u>Fisheries Statistics</u>: The timeliness of data reporting, as outlined above for albacore, is equally important for swordfish.

<u>Biological Studies:</u> All biological studies listed above for albacore are needed for swordfish as well. In addition, age and growth data from locally caught fish should be examined, and the distribution of swordfish by season and age within the outer portions of the EEZ and high seas should be evaluated.

<u>Stock Assessment and Management Studies:</u> All stock assessment and management studies listed above for albacore are also needed for swordfish. In particular, there is a need for additional work on effort standardization. In addition, complementary studies using tools ranging from otolith microchemistry to electronic tagging are needed to characterize the stock dynamics of swordfish in the California Current region.

<u>Economic Studies:</u> Explore economic viability of harpoon and longline gear as an alternative to DGN gear for swordfish. Research the best options to promote developing and testing novel gear (e.g., deep-set

buoy gear or deep-set daytime longlining) to reduce protected species interactions and increase swordfish catch. Gauge the impact on global swordfish production and trade of unilateral measures to limit West Coast fishing effort.

#### 6.1.1.3 Sharks

Most of the tunas covered in the HMS FMP are being assessed on a regular basis, with varying degrees of completeness and sophistication. Some of the billfishes—particularly striped marlin and swordfish—are either being assessed or have assessments planned in the near future. On the other hand, stock assessments for sharks have been preliminary at best, and few and far between. This situation should not be taken to imply that sharks are unimportant. Nor should it be inferred that sharks are less vulnerable to the effects of fishing than are the tunas and billfishes. In fact, because of the key vital rates of most sharks (especially reproductive rates that are lower than those for tunas and billfishes), many HMS shark species are likely to be more vulnerable to overfishing than other HMS. The Pacific RFMOs have begun to prioritize shark stock assessments. The WCPFC, IATTC and ISC have each developed plans to assess some shark stocks over the next several years, but given the fact that many species are not targeted and fishery data are scant, there will be many challenges.

As with the other trans boundary species covered by the HMS FMP, most shark species cannot be assessed or managed unilaterally by the Council. Some species are highly oceanic with ranges similar to that of tunas (e.g., blue shark and shortfin mako shark). Others are more coastal—with a substantial portion of their habitat shoreward of the U.S. EEZ—but exhibit north-south migrations with significant catches in Mexican waters (e.g., common thresher shark). The net effect is that accounting for the total catch of sharks over their entire period (several decades) and areas of exploitation is not possible. Furthermore, there is a paucity of the biological samples needed to characterize the size of animals taken from the fisheries that account for most of the catch. Active biological studies (age, growth, maturity, food habits, etc.) are ongoing (NMFS, State, non-profit, and academic researchers) and understanding of the biological characteristics for at least some shark species is probably sufficient for stock assessment purposes. However, without an accurate history of total catch, effort, and the corresponding size samples, stock assessment efforts and concomitant management by the Council will be problematic.

The following specific research priorities have been identified for the two sharks species of greatest priority to the Council with respect to their importance in U.S. West Coast commercial and recreational fisheries:

#### **Common thresher shark:**

- stock structure and boundaries of the species and relationships to other populations;
- the pattern of seasonal migrations for feeding and reproduction, and where and when life stages may be vulnerable;
- improved recreational catch estimates which adaptively sample the pulse nature of fishing effort;
- improved commercial fishery monitoring in Mexican waters;
- age and growth rates, including comparisons of growth rates in other areas; and
- maturity and reproductive schedules.

#### Shortfin mako shark:

- distribution, abundance, and size in areas to the south and west of the West Coast EEZ;
- stock structure and boundaries of the species and relationships to other populations; and
- age and growth rates (current growth estimates differ widely).

#### 6.1.1.4 Interactions with Protected Species and Prohibited Species

More complete catch information and data on interactions with protected and prohibited species are needed for most HMS fisheries. There is inadequate understanding of the fisheries on some HMS stocks that are shared with Mexico (e.g., species composition of shark catches in Mexican fisheries), and inadequate data exchange with Mexico. These fisheries are likely affecting both protected species and prohibited species of fish.

More work is needed to better understand possible impacts of the HMS fisheries on protected species of sea turtles, birds, and marine mammals. For example, there is a need to investigate the post-release survivorship of protected species, such as turtles and seabirds that are caught as bycatch in the HMS fisheries. In addition, fisheries-independent research is required to better understand distribution and habitat use by turtles and to determine the linkages to ecosystem parameters (oceanographic and biological). This includes data on turtle migration seasonality and routes, genetic stock composition of populations by species, and habitat use in order to better understand turtle life histories and likely periods of interaction with fisheries. Predictive models that integrate oceanography, ecosystem parameters (e.g., prey distribution), and habitat use of turtles are needed. More work on the sizes and structures of turtle populations by species would also enable improved application of the ESA and other laws and regulations to HMS fisheries. Continued research on the abundance and distribution of marine mammals is also critical, particularly for HMS fisheries operating within the West Coast EEZ.

Some specific research priorities include:

- Research habitat use of leatherback turtles and other species of concern, including target species, to better understand the potential for reducing bycatch;
- Explore whether hotspots or temperature bands can be identified in near-real-time in order to provide information to fishermen regarding places with potentially high interaction risks;
- Explore how regulating the U.S. West Coast Pacific swordfish fishery affects international trade in swordfish and the potential unintended consequences for protected species interactions in foreign fisheries;
- Compare bycatch rates of DGN vs. shallow set longline gear for swordfish, both by mining observer data and conducting gear comparison studies in the fishery areas; and
- Develop probability-based estimates of unobserved bycatch for observer programs with less than 100 percent observer coverage.

#### 6.1.2 High Priority Issues

#### 6.1.2.1 Blue shark

As noted above, relatively little assessment and research activity is focused on shark species compared to the existing work being done on other HMS such as tunas. Blue shark catch was relatively high in the California CPFV fishery of the late 1980s, but has steeply declined. Blue sharks are encountered in relatively small numbers coastwide in commercial and recreational fisheries. Three specific research needs identified for blue sharks are to: 1) monitor sex and size composition of catches; 2) determine the

migratory movements of juvenile and maturing fish from the EEZ to high seas; and 3) examine the Pacific-wide stock structure and interactions among populations using genetics and other techniques.

#### 6.1.2.2 Striped Marlin

<u>Fisheries Statistics:</u> The timeliness of data reporting, as outlined for albacore, is equally important for striped marlin. Additionally, the official striped marlin catch statistics are considerably less well developed than those for albacore, and significant effort is needed to ensure that the total catch from all nations is well estimated.

<u>Biological Studies:</u> All biological studies listed above for albacore are also needed for striped marlin. In addition,

- Stock structure for striped marlin in the Pacific Ocean is more uncertain than for other HMS species and several stock structure hypotheses are credible. A synoptic, critical review of all available information (fisheries data, icthyoplankton data, and genetic studies) is needed to either resolve the issue or at least to reduce the number of credible hypotheses; and
- Age and growth data from locally caught fish should be examined.

<u>Stock Assessment and Management Studies:</u> All stock assessment and management studies listed above for albacore are also needed for striped marlin. Specific to striped marlin, there is a need for additional work on effort standardization.

#### 6.1.2.3 Pacific Bluefin Tuna

<u>Fisheries Statistics:</u> The timeliness of data reporting, as outlined for albacore above, is equally important for bluefin tuna. Additionally increased port sampling of commercial bluefin length frequencies is needed in the EPO, particularly of the fish destined for the pens in farming operations.

<u>Biological Studies:</u> All biological studies listed above for albacore are also needed for bluefin tuna. Additionally, there is a need to:

- develop seasonal and perhaps area-based weight-length relationships as the bluefin condition factor appears to vary both seasonally and regionally;
- estimate natural mortality rates since previous assessment results were highly sensitive to the assumed mortality rates; and
- estimate age-specific migration rates of bluefin tuna from the WCPO to the EPO and understand the factors that influences those rates, since this in turn strongly influences the availability of bluefin in the EPO.

<u>Stock Assessment and Management Studies:</u> All of stock assessment and management studies listed above for albacore are also needed for bluefin tuna. In addition:

- there is a need for improvements to standardization of abundance indices;
- development of an abundance index from spotter plane data from the EPO; and
- incorporating tagging data and environmental indices into the assessment model.

#### 6.1.3 Other Priority Stocks and Issues

#### 6.1.3.1 Management Unit Species Catch Data

Total catch data are likely inaccurate for most HMS stocks due to an inadequate at-sea data collection programs, logbook programs, and shoreside sampling programs for commercial West Coast fisheries and unreported catch by international fisheries. Commercial catch data needs include:

- Total catch information (including incidental and bycatch) and protected species interactions for surface hook-and-line, purse seine, and additional at-sea sampling of drift gillnet fisheries;
- Catch composition data for harpoon gear;
- Size composition of bycatch in drift gillnet fisheries; and
- Condition (e.g., live, dead, good, poor) of discarded catch in all HMS fisheries.

Additional work needs to be done to develop ways to adequately sample recreational fisheries, particularly shore-based anglers and private vessels. There is a need to develop methods for sampling private marinas and boat ramps to determine catch, and the level of bycatch and protected species interactions, as well as sample the catch for length and weight of fish caught to convert catches reported in numbers to catches by weight. Better catch and effort estimates are also needed for HMS recreational fishing tournaments, in particular those tournaments focusing on common thresher and shortfin mako sharks.

## 6.1.3.2 Archival PacFIN Data Cleanup

Some progress has been made to address coding issues with the gear codes for drift gillnet records in the PacFIN data base. The results of the recoding are reflected in drift gillnet landings and revenues summaries provided in Chapters 2 and 4 of this HMS SAFE Report; however, issues remain for PacFIN archived longline records.

Review and subsequent revision of archival PacFIN data is needed to improve the accuracy of historical commercial landings and revenues for longline landings.

## 6.1.3.3 Survivability of Released Fish

Little is known of the long-term survivorship of hooked fishes after release, the effectiveness of recreational catch-and-release methods on big game fishes (pelagic sharks, tunas, and billfishes) and of methods to reduce bycatch mortality in commercial fisheries. Controlled studies of the survivability of caught and released pelagic sharks and billfishes are needed to determine the physiological responses to different fishing gears, and the effects of time on the line, handling, methods of release, and other factors. Appropriate discard mortality rates, by species, need to be identified in order to quantify total catch (including released catch).Alternative gears and methods to increase survivability of recreationally and commercially caught fish and to minimize unwanted bycatch in fisheries should be identified.

## 6.1.3.4 Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)

There is very little specific information on the migratory corridors and habitat dependencies of these large mobile fish, how they are distributed by season and age throughout the Pacific and within the West Coast EEZ, and how oceanographic changes within the pelagic environment affect production, recruitment, and migration. Research is needed to better define EFH and to identify specific habitat areas of particular concern (HAPCs), such as pupping grounds, key migratory routes, feeding areas, and where adults aggregate for reproduction. A particularly important need is to identify the pupping areas of thresher and mako sharks, which are presumed to be within the southern portion of the West Coast EEZ, judging from the occurrence of post-partum and young pups in the areas (e.g., NMFS driftnet observer data). Areas where pregnant females congregate may be sensitive to perturbation, and the aggregated females and pups

there may be more vulnerable to fishing pressure.

## 6.1.3.5 Stock Assessment Review

Pacific HMS stock assessments are carried out by the RFMOs and by the ISC. The processes used to conduct the assessments and to have them critically reviewed varies considerably across the organizations and the species being assessed. In none of these cases, however, does the level of critical peer review approach that of the Council's STAR process. This may become an issue for the Council if international management regulations begin to affect U.S. coastal fisheries to a greater extent than they do at present. The Council may want to consider having some member(s) of its SSC participate in these international processes. This will provide the Council with a better perspective on the stock assessments and the ensuing international management advice.

## 6.1.3.6 Tropical Tuna Species and Dorado

The commercially important tropical tuna species, namely yellowfin, bigeye, and skipjack tuna, are principally harvested in the EPO by vessels from the Central and Latin American fishing fleets. Although a small West Coast based U.S. flag purse seine fishery opportunistically harvests these tunas, the U.S. does not have a fleet active in the main EPO fishery at present. The tropical yellowfin, bigeye and skipjack tunas are no longer taken in large numbers by West Coast based commercial fisheries.

The California commercial passenger fishing vessel (CPFV) fleet is the principal U.S. West Coast fishery for dorado which are often taken in the Mexican EEZ. Dorado can be a significant portion of the total CPFV annual catch and was the leading species in 2006, followed by yellowfin tuna and albacore tuna. Specific recommendations on dorado research include:

- Determine the stock structure of dorado in the eastern Pacific, and
- Investigate the significance of floating objects and other-species associations relative to life history.

## 6.1.3.7 Pelagic and Bigeye Thresher Sharks

These species occur in far lower frequency than common thresher sharks in U.S. West Coast fisheries. Nevertheless, they are taken in Council-managed fisheries and studies of their life history and ecology, and temporal and spatial catch monitoring will help inform management along the West Coast and in other areas.

## 6.2 Research Updates

The following sections summarize some, but not all, of the research projects conducted during 2010 at the NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC) and Southwest Regional Office (SWR) to study HMS MUS, fisheries, and fishery-related species. Research on other MUS not reported here is ongoing at a number of U.S. West Coast research institutions. See chapter 7for a list of links to websites of research institutions conducting research on HMS.

## 6.2.1 Albacore

The commercial surface-albacore fishery is the most important fishery for HMS on the U.S. West Coast. NMFS scientists participate in the ISC Albacore Working Group which makes an effort to conduct a full stock assessment every three years. The most recent assessment was conducted in 2011 and will be reported on in the 2011 SAFE Report. In addition to ISC assessment work, a number of research projects

are ongoing.

SWFSC scientists are working with the American Fishermen's Research Foundation (AFRF) and commercial and recreational albacore fisheries constituents on monitoring programs and other research efforts to improve knowledge of the biology and migration of North Pacific albacore in the waters off the U.S. Pacific coast. The cooperative research includes:

**Port and onboard sampling:** Since 1961, a biological data collection program, or port sampling program, has been in place for collecting size data from albacore landings made by the U.S. and Canadian troll fleets at ports along the U.S. Pacific coast. State fishery personnel collect the biological data by following sampling protocol provided by the SWFSC, where the data are maintained. In recent years, with industry support, fishermen have collected biological data during selected fishing trips. These data are collected to augment data collected through the port sampling program. Following procedures established by SWFSC scientists, fishermen on five vessels measured 752 albacore during the 2009 season. During 2010, five vessels measured 1,010albacore. The sample information provided by the fishermen helped to fill in gaps missed by the port sampling program. Overall, the sizes were found to be generally similar to those collected through the port sampling program.

*Logbook Program:* The logbook sampling program has been in place since the late 1950's. Fishermen have been voluntarily submitting their fishing records to the SWFSC for decades prior to implementation of the HMS FMP. These data are primarily used to develop relative indices of abundance, which subsequently provide valuable information for fine-tuning stock assessment models. Logbook data are also maintained at the SWFSC. An electronic logbook application is available to facilitate logbook submission and data entry for albacore troll fishermen. Logbook data collection is discussed further in section 3.1.7 of this HMS SAFE report.

*Archival Tagging:* The SWFSC and AFRF initiated an archival tagging program in 2001 to study the migration patterns and stock structure of juvenile albacore in the North Pacific. Since 2001, a total of 630 archival tags and 43 dummy tags have been deployed. Two tagging charters were conducted during 2010, one off the Columbia River aboard the charter sport fishing boat *Playboy Too* during which 15 tags were deployed, and the second off Cape Mendocino aboard F/V *Royal Dawn* during which 22 tags were deployed. To date, 22 archival and 6 dummy tags have been recovered. Recovery rates have been low. In 2010, no tags were returned. The study will continue in 2011.

## 6.2.2 Common Thresher Shark

*Nursery Survey and Pup Abundance Index:* A common thresher shark pre-recruit index and nursery ground annual survey, which was initiated in 2003, provides a fisheries-independent index of pre-recruit abundance In 2010, a SWFSC research team worked aboard the F/V *Outer Banks*. Forty-eight longline sets were made in relatively shallow, nearshore waters and a total of 4,800 hooks were fished during the 18-day cruise. Shark catch included 295 common thresher, 5 smoothhound (*Mustelus*), 2 spiny dogfish (*Squalus acanthias*), and 1 leopard (*Triakis semifasciata*) shark. Two hundred and sixty-eight sharks were tagged with conventional tags and 280 DNA samples were collected.

The preliminary survey data indicate that the average nominal catch rate by set was 3.75 per 100 hookhours for common thresher sharks. This is the highest catch rate since the inception of the sampling program. The distribution of common threshers is very patchy and areas of high abundance are not consistent across years. In all years, a large percentage of the catch has been neonates, which were found in all areas surveyed. In addition to providing important information on abundance and distributions, the thresher shark pre-recruit survey enhances other ongoing research on age and growth, feeding, and habitat utilization studies.

Post-release Survival in the Recreational Fishery: The SWFSC, SWR, and Pfleger Institute of Environmental Research are conducting a study to assess the post-release survival of thresher sharks caught by recreational anglers. During the first phase of the study, sharks were released after tail hooking and results demonstrated that survivorship is low for sharks greater than 185 cm fork length (FL) or enduring fight times exceeding 85 minutes. Those results were published in the journal Fisheries Research in 2010. During the second phase of the study, the hypothesis that tail-hooked common thresher sharks survive the acute effects of trailing fishing gear is being tested in the southern California recreational fishery. Survivorship is being determined using PSATs deployed on subadult and adult common thresher sharks. To date, PSATs have been deployed on 5 common thresher sharks (132 to 175 cm FL) captured using fishery standard techniques and released with trailing gear. Of the 5 sharks, 3 displayed immediate mortality (within 31 hours of release), 1 shark survived the effects of trailing gear, and one of the PSATs did not report any information. The results of this study in combination with results of a published study on the survivorship of tail-hooked thresher sharks released without trailing gear will be used to estimate the survival rates of thresher sharks released from the recreational fishery. These data will be important for determining total removals by the recreational shark fishery and can be used in stock assessments for this species. Concurrent investigations on the effectiveness of degradable links and alternative fishing techniques are also being performed to reduce overall post-release mortality in the recreational fishery. A DVD documenting the research project, thresher shark life history and ecology, and best fishing practices for effective catch-and-release is being produced and will be available for outreach purposes in 2012.

## 6.2.3 Shortfin Mako and Blue Sharks

*Shortfin Mako Shark Genetics Studies:* The shortfin mako is a wide-ranging pelagic shark caught globally in temperate and tropical waters. The stock structure within their broad range is poorly understood, especially in the Pacific. In the North Atlantic, thousands of conventional tags have been deployed, and although 608 have been returned, not a single shark was recaptured south of 10°N. This suggests, at a minimum, the existence of separate northern and southern stocks. Although the more limited conventional tag returns in the Pacific reveal movement across the North Pacific from California to as far as Japan, the potential for separation between the North and South Pacific is not known. A study is being conducted using mitochondrial DNA analyses from samples gathered around the Pacific to test the hypothesis that shortfin makos from the North and South Pacific are genetically distinct. In addition, this study will examine corridors of gene flow for shortfin mako sharks in the Pacific Ocean.

To date, 410 samples from seven sites in the Pacific (southern California, Hawaii, Japan, New Zealand, Australia, NW South America, and Chile) and one site in the North Atlantic have been analyzed. The North Atlantic site is significantly different from all Pacific sites. Within the Pacific, analyses reveal that sharks in locations in closest proximity—California/Hawaii, NW South America/Chile, and Australia/New Zealand—show no population subdivision. Divergence was apparent between the Northern and Southern Hemispheres as well as across the North Pacific between California/Hawaii and Japan. After performing isolation by distance analyses, it appears that the corridors of gene flow are following a stepping stone model. This master's thesis, completed in collaboration with the University of San Diego and the SWFSC, provided evidence of regional stock structure within the Pacific; the results are being prepared for publication.

Another study is underway representing joint research between the University of California Davis and San Diego State University in collaboration with the SWFSC.A PhD student has been developing a suite of nuclear microsatellite markers to further refine the spatial and temporal resolution of shortfin mako stocks within the Pacific. In addition to studies of stock structure, these markers will be used to develop estimates of effective population size within the California Current region. Application of these markers will commence during 2011.

*Juvenile Mako and Blue Shark Abundance Survey*: The Southern California Bight is a known nursery area for shortfin mako and blue sharks. In 2010, the SWFSC conducted its seventeenth juvenile shark survey for mako and blue sharks since 1994. The annual abundance survey was completed between 14 July and 12 August 2010. Working aboard F/V *Ventura II*, a team of scientists and volunteers fished a total of 5,956 hooks during 29 daytime sets inside 7 focal areas within the Southern California Bight. Survey catch totaled 13 shortfin makos, 25 blue sharks, 18 pelagic rays (*Pteroplatytrygon violacea*), 10 opah (*Lampris guttatus*), and 1 mola (ocean sunfish, *Mola mola*). The preliminary data indicate that the nominal survey catch rate was 0.057 per 100 hook-hours for shortfin mako and 0.105 per 100 hook-hours for blue sharks. The nominal CPUE for both blue and shortfin mako sharks was the lowest in survey history. There is a declining trend in nominal CPUE for both species over the time series of the survey.

#### Survival of Blue Sharks Released From the Drift Gillnet Fishery:

The CDGN fishery targets swordfish in the California Current. With the exception of ocean sunfish, blue sharks are caught in greater numbers than any other finfish species taken in this fishery. Nearly all blue shark are discarded at sea due to lack of market value. A 2009 analysis of the 1990-2008 observer data reveals that 63 percent of blue sharks caught were discarded dead.

In 2007, the NOAA Fisheries began deploying PSATs on sharks released alive from the drift gillnet fishery to assess survivorship. To date, 11 blue sharks (100 to 200 cm FL) have been tagged by fishery observers. Nine of these animals were male, and the sex of two animals was unknown. Based on established release condition criteria, three of the 11 sharks were released in "good" condition while the remaining 8 were released in "fair" condition. The satellite tag data suggest that all animals survived the acute effects of capture in the CDGN fishery. Temperature, depth, and movement data demonstrated behavior of blue sharks that was similar to that reported in other studies. One tag appeared to have been ingested after 17 days and regurgitated 3 days later.

No confirmed female sharks or sharks in poor condition have yet been tagged. Thus tagging efforts during the 2010-11 season were focused on smaller sharks, females, and animals released in poor condition. Tags were distributed among observers as widely as possible in an attempt to ensure deployment. However, due to the decreased effort in the fishery during the season with fewer trips observed, and the small numbers of blue sharks caught overall, particularly of the desired size and condition ranges, no blue sharks were tagged for this study during the 2010-11 drift gillnet season. The objectives for the 2011-12 season will be the same. Results to date suggest a 100 percent survival rate for male blue sharks released in fair or better condition.

**Tagging:** Since 1999, NOAA has been using satellite technology to study the movements and behaviors primarily of blue, shortfin mako, and common thresher sharks, while other species are tagged opportunistically. In recent years, tag deployments have been carried out in collaboration with the Tagging of Pacific Pelagics (TOPP) program (www.topp.org), Mexican colleagues at CICESE (Centro de Investigación Científica y de Educatión Superior de Ensenada), and colleagues at the DFO (Department of Fisheries and Oceans) Pacific Biological Station in Nanaimo, British Columbia. The goals of the projects are to document and compare the movements and behaviors of these species in the California Current and to link these data to physical and biological oceanography. This approach will allow us to characterize the essential habitats of sharks and subsequently better understand how populations might shift in response to changes in environmental conditions on short or long time scales. In 2010, 4 shortfin mako sharks, 9 blue sharks, 1 thresher shark, and 1 basking shark were tagged with either SPOT tags or towed GPS tags. Since 1999, a total of 95 makos, 85 blue sharks, 28 common threshers, 2 hammerheads,

5 ocean sunfish, and 1 basking shark have been satellite-tagged through collaborative projects.

## 6.2.4 Swordfish

**Deep-Set Buoy Project:** The future viability of the west coast swordfish fishery has been raised by stakeholders and fisheries managers as an issue of concern because the fishery has declined substantially in response to, among other factors, the increased regulation of the West Coast DGN Swordfish fishery. A major driver of the increased regulation centered on bycatch issues in the fishery including interactions with protected species such as sea turtles and marine mammals. The current suite of swordfish fisheries and their underlying regulatory regime is likely contributing to the underutilization of a healthy swordfish stock. Thus, development of an economically feasible/low bycatch gear for swordfish fishing along the U.S west coast may provide relief to swordfish fishermen and the communities they support. The Pfleger Institute of Environmental Research (PIER) has been awarded an Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant to capture and tag swordfish off the coast of southern California using experimental deep-set buoy gear. Buoy gear has been successfully fished off the east coast of the U.S. to capture commercial quantities of swordfish without any significant bycatch issues. The PIER research will take place over a two-year span within the southern California Bight with 300 sets of deep-set buoy gear to be deployed in year one utilizing the PIER research vessel and 600 sets of buoy gear in year two using cooperative commercial fishing vessels as the research platform. The research would take place from June-November with the gear set during daylight hours at depths below the thermocline (250-400 meters). The field research is anticipated to commence in June 2011.

*Commercial Swordfish Fishery Cost-and-earnings Survey*: A cost-and-earnings survey of the DGN and harpoon fisheries was initiated in 2010 and completed in April 2011. Follow-up analysis is planned to measure the relative economic viability of harpoon compared to DGN used to target swordfish, providing important data to address one of the issues identified at the Swordfish and Leatherback Use of Temperate Habitat (SLUTH) Workshop held May 28-29, 2008, at UC San Diego's Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

## 6.2.5 Sea Turtles

NMFS, in cooperation with researchers around the world, continues to conduct sea turtle research in the Pacific. Due in part to this work, the understanding of Pacific sea turtles has increased substantially over the past several years. Proceedings of the aforementioned SLUTH workshop were summarized and published in NOAA Administrative Report LJ-09-06 (August 2009).

A number of research projects have been planned based on priorities identified at the SLUTH workshop, including measuring the economic viability of harpoon as a substitute for other gears used to target swordfish based on the cost and earnings study mentioned above, characterizing the environmental conditions associated with fishing, swordfish and leatherback catch, assessing the rates of blue shark and other non-target catch in drift gillnet and longline fisheries, and deploying additional electronic tags to quantify the movements and habitat of swordfish.

## 6.2.6 Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP) Projects

In the fall of 2008, the HMSMT developed proposals for MRIP funding to support research on the recreational fisheries for albacore and HMS sharks. The purpose of the albacore project is to evaluate the potential use of for-hire sector (CPFV) catch per unit effort (CPUE) estimates to develop an index of abundance for North Pacific albacore. The HMS shark project addresses areas of uncertainty in the current sampling program for HMS shark catch, including the potential use of adaptive sampling methods to more efficiently sample the pulse fishery for thresher sharks, and better sampling of night fishing and

tournament effort on HMS sharks. Both projects received funding for one year, and workshops were conducted to receive input from state data managers, biologists and industry representatives. Sampling programs were subsequently developed to meet the need for improved data collection in the recreational fisheries for albacore and for thresher sharks.

Proposals submitted by HMSMT members to MRIP in February 2011 to conduct pilot sampling programs for the albacore and HMS shark sampling methodologies were not approved for funding.

# 7.0 COMMONLY-USED WEB LINKS IN HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES MANAGEMENT AND RESEARCH

#### International Regional Fishery Management Organizations and Scientific Bodies

Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission	http://iattc.org/				
Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission	http://www.wcpfc.int/				
International Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific Ocean	http://isc.ac.affrc.go.jp/				
U.S. West Coast Regional Fishery Management Councils					
Pacific Fishery Management Council	http://www.pcouncil.org/				
Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council	http://www.wpcouncil.org/				
State and Interstate Fisheries Commissions					
California Department of Fish and Game	http://www.dfg.ca.gov/				
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife	http://www.dfw.state.or.us/				
Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission	http://www.psmfc.org				
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	http://wdfw.wa.gov/				
Institutions Conducting HMS Research					
American Fishermen's Research Foundation	http://www.afrf.org/				
California State University, Long Beach	http://www.csulb.edu				
Centro de Investigación Científica y Educación Superior de Ensenada	http://www.cicese.mx/				
Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission	http://www.iattc.org				
Monterey Bay Aquarium	http://www.mbayaq.org/				
Monterey Bay Aquarium Tuna Research and Conservation Center	http://www.tunaresearch.org				
Moss Landing Marine Lab	http://www.mlml.calstate.edu/				
NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center	http://www.pifsc.noaa.gov				
NOAA Southwest Fisheries Science Center	http://swfsc.noaa.gov				
NOAA Southwest Regional Office	http://swr.nmfs.noaa.gov				
Pfleger Institute of Environmental Research	http://www.pier.org				
Scripps Institute of Oceanography	http://www-sio.ucsd.edu				
Tagging of Pacific Pelagics	http://www.toppcensus.org				

#### Sport and Commercial Fishing Industry Related Associations

American Albacore Fishing Association Oregon Albacore Commission Sportfishing Association of California United Anglers of Southern California Western Fishboat Owner's Association http://www.americanalbacore.com http://www.oregonalbacore.org/ http://californiasportfishing.org/ http://www.unitedanglers.com http://www.wfoa-tuna.org