

Comisión Interamericana del Atún Tropical  
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# The tuna fishery in the EPO in 2025

(IATTC SAC-17-01)

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Apia, Samoa



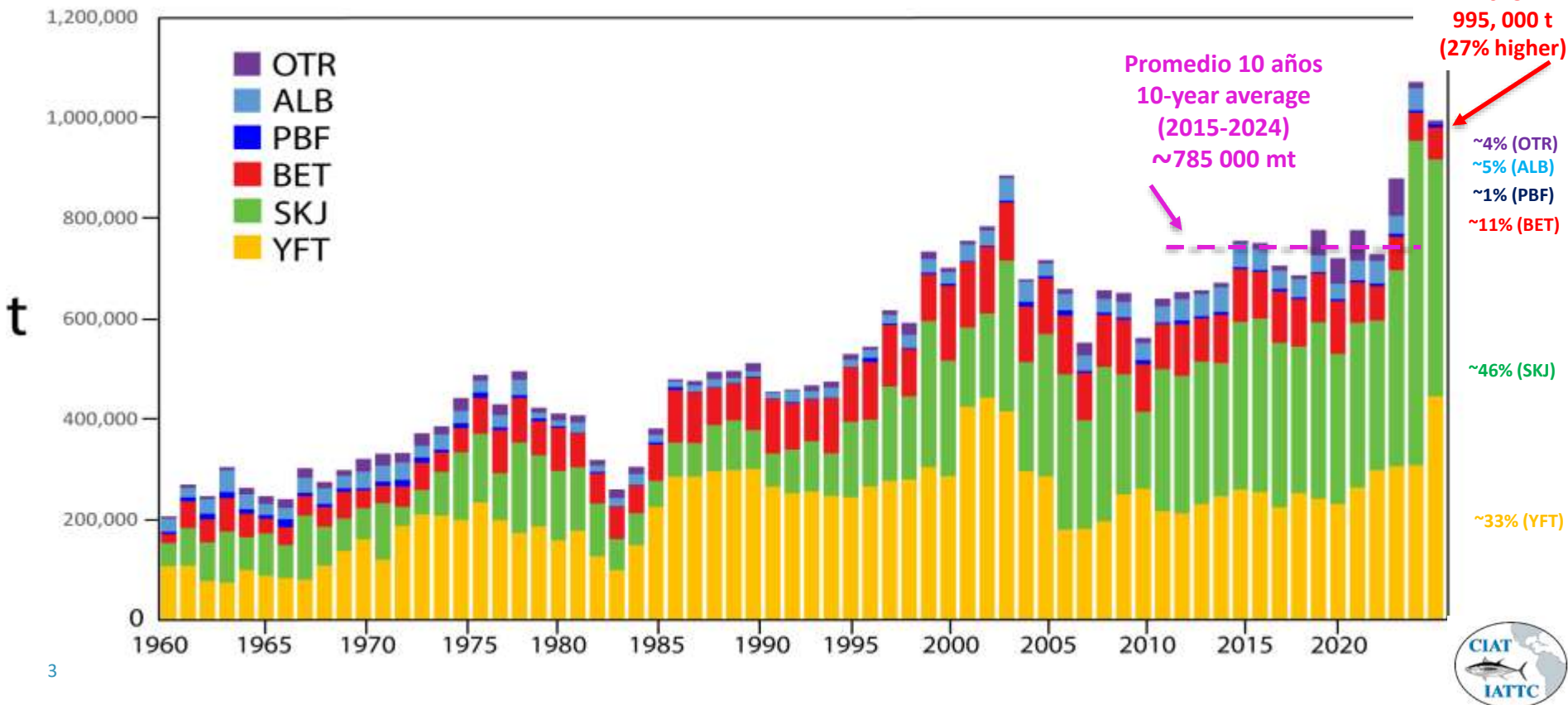
# Topics

- The tuna fishery in 2025 ([SAC-17-01](#))
  - Catches of the tropical (YFT, SKJ, BET) and temperate tunas (PBF, ALB)
  - Fishing effort



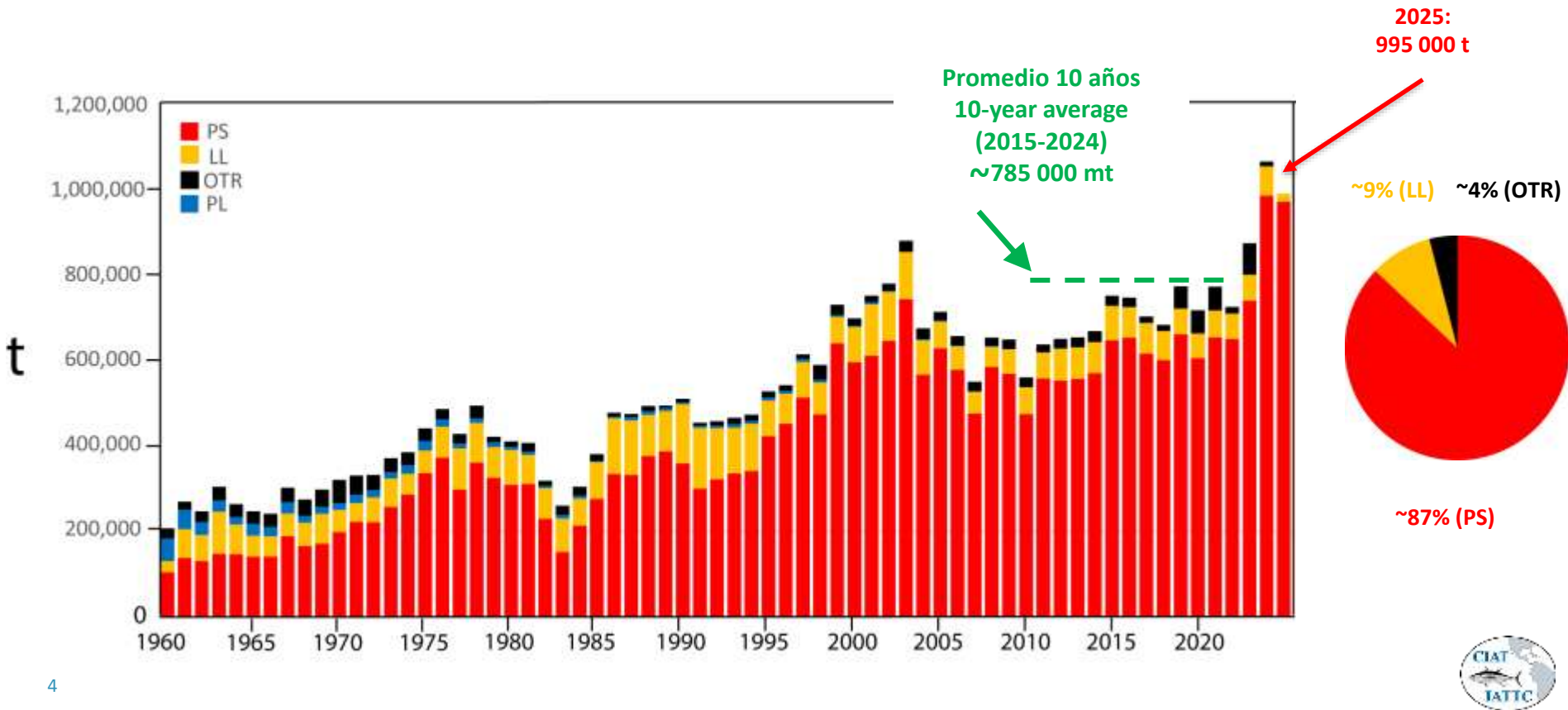
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## EPO retained catch – all gears



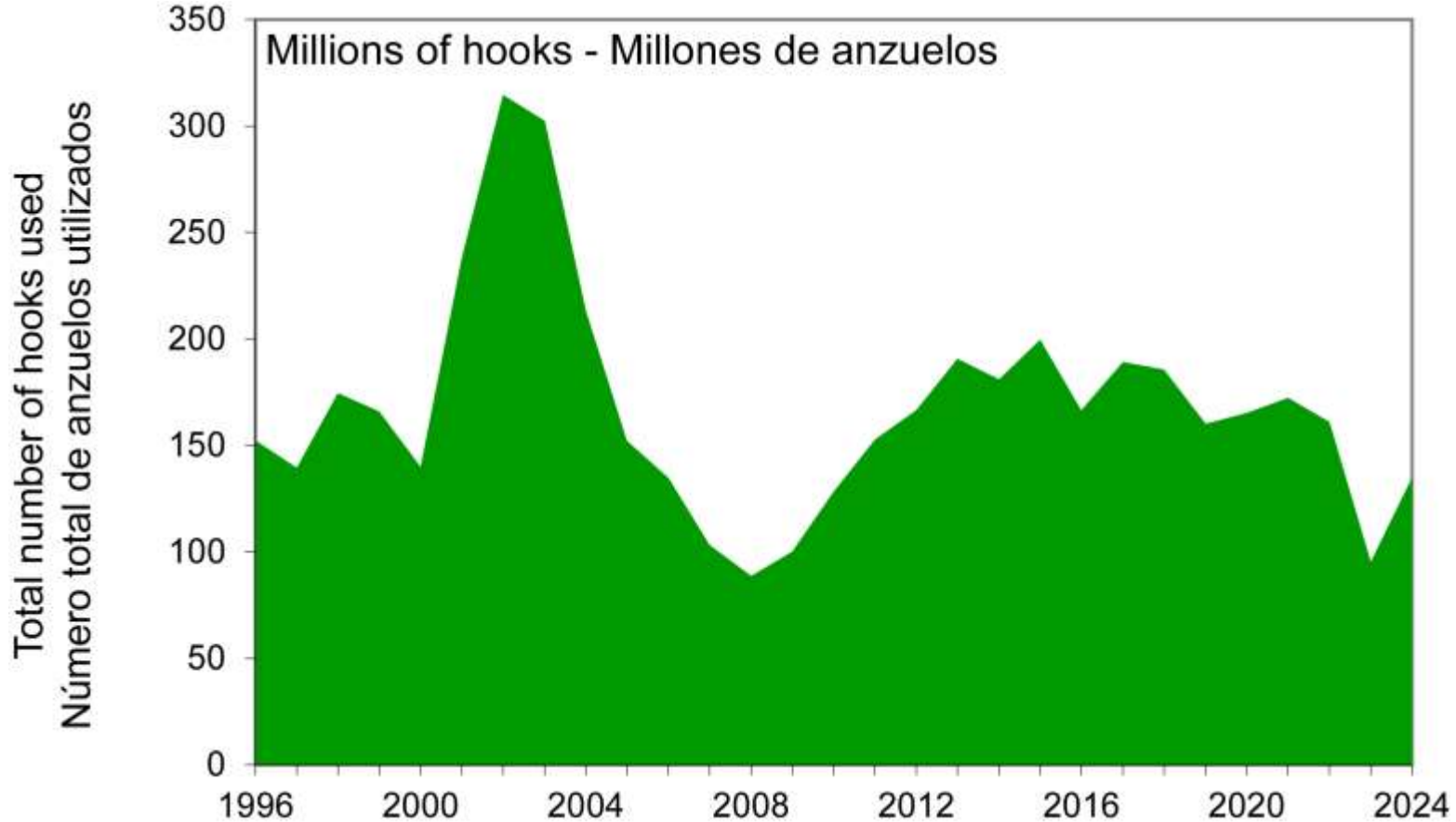
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# Esfuerzo de pesca: pesquería de palangre

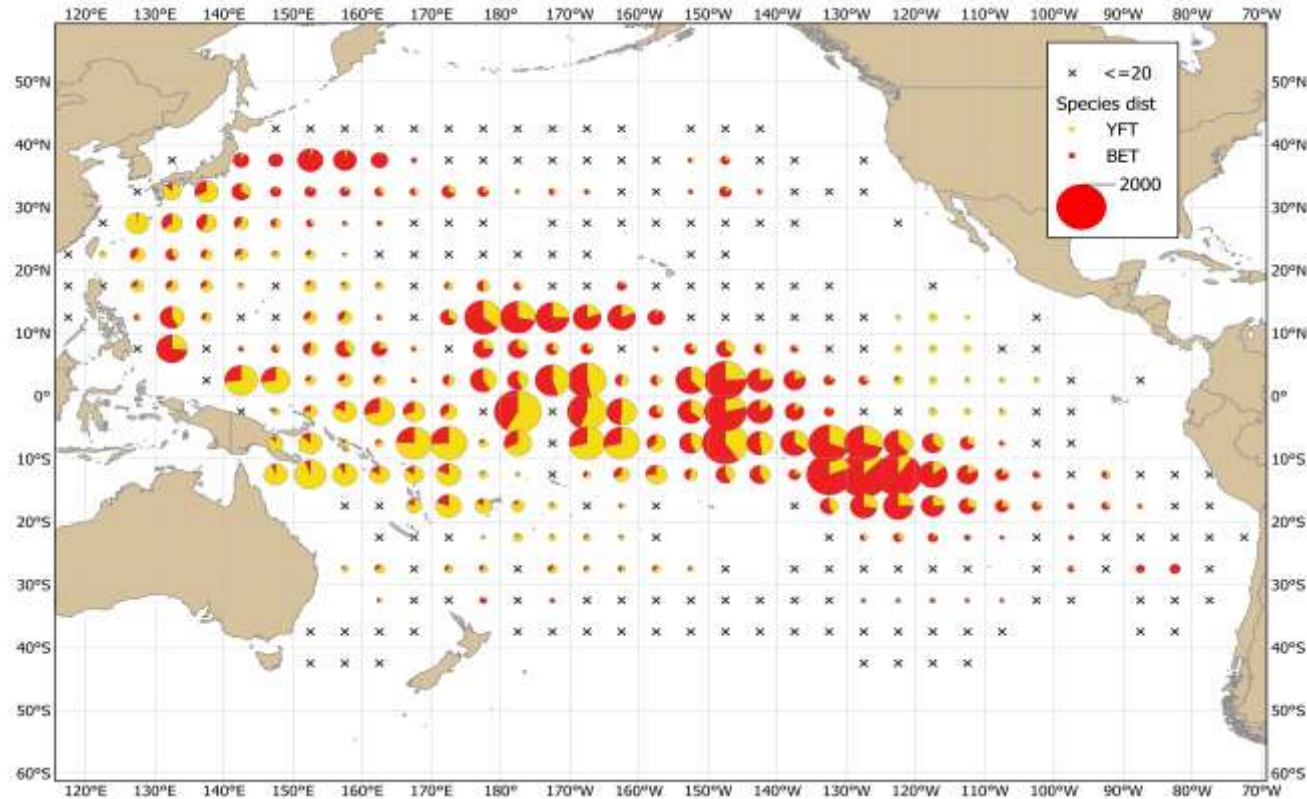
## Fishing effort: longline fishery



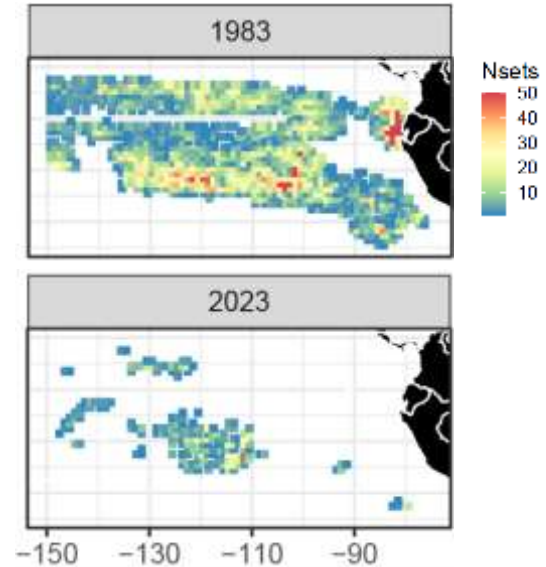


# Distribución de LL 2020-2024

## LL distribution 2020-2024

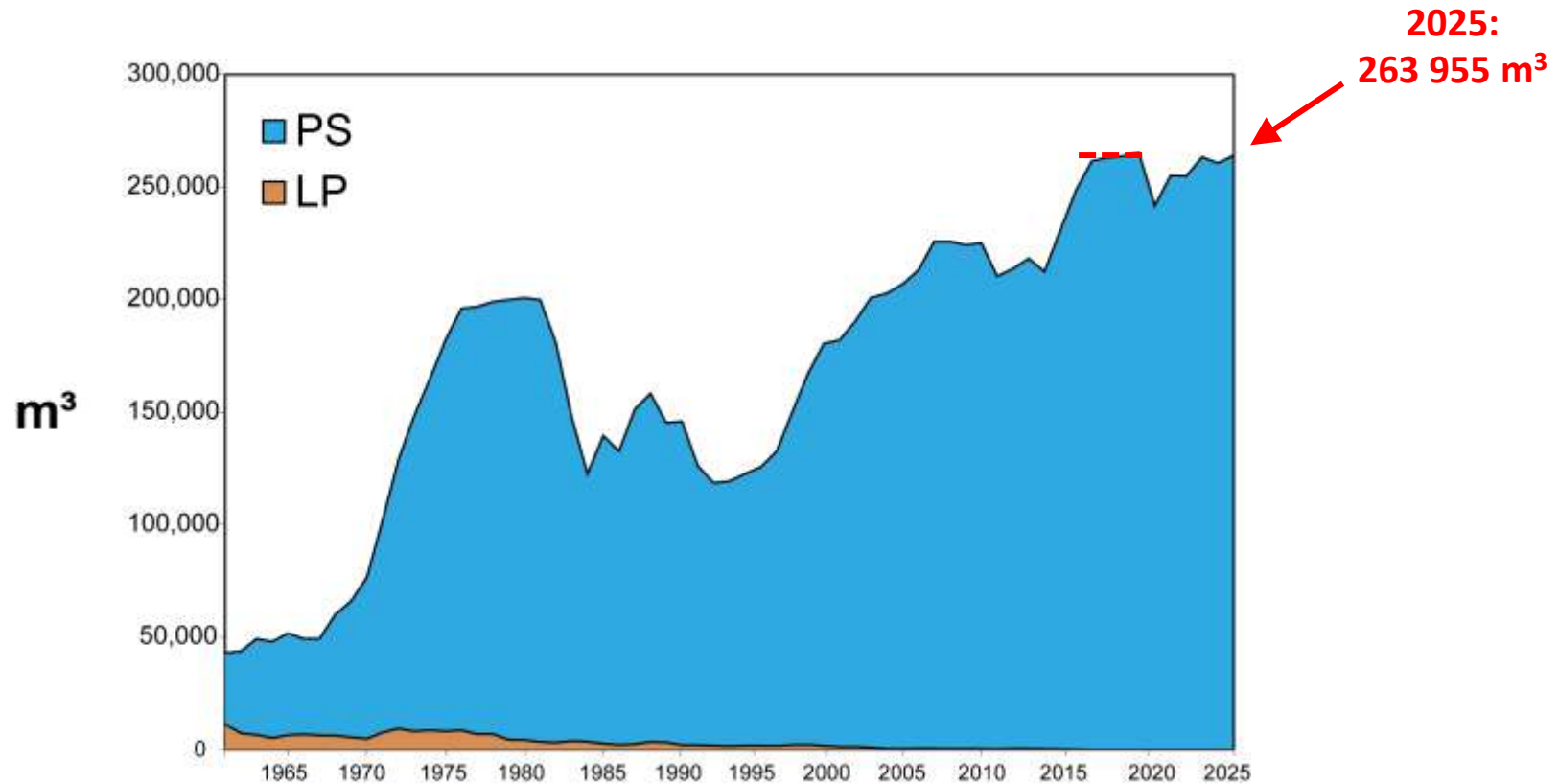


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# Capacidad de la flota

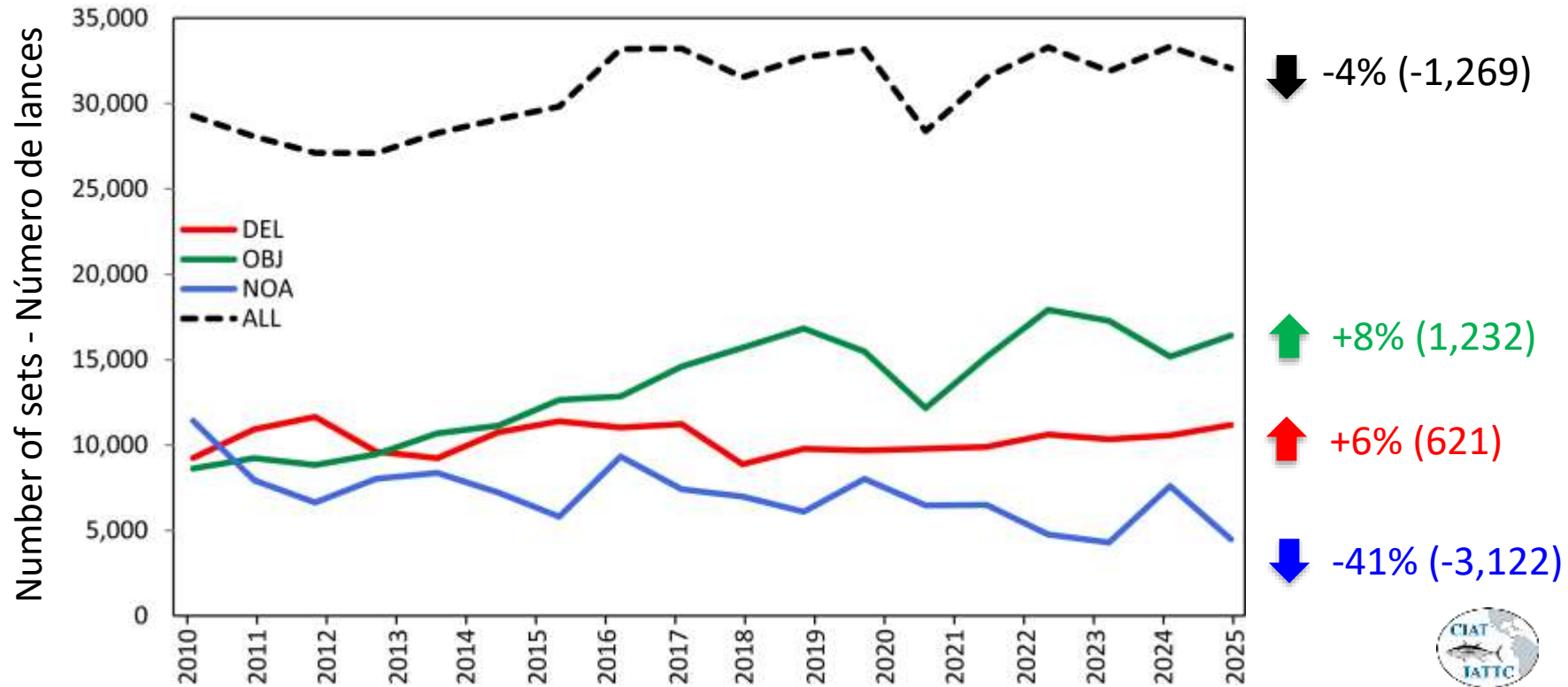
## Fleet capacity



# Esfuerzo de pesca: pesquería de cerco

## Fishing effort: purse-seine fishery

Numero de lances de cerco, por tipo – Number of purse seine sets, by set type

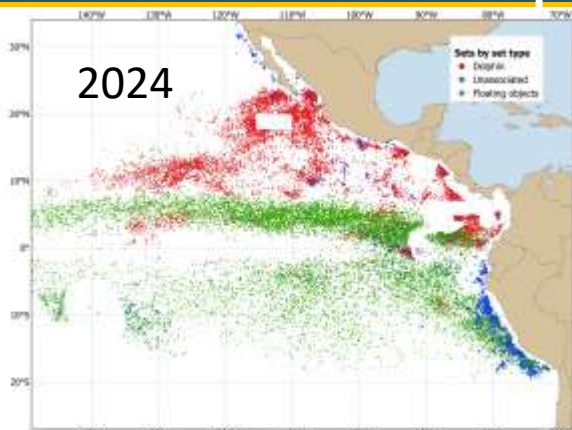




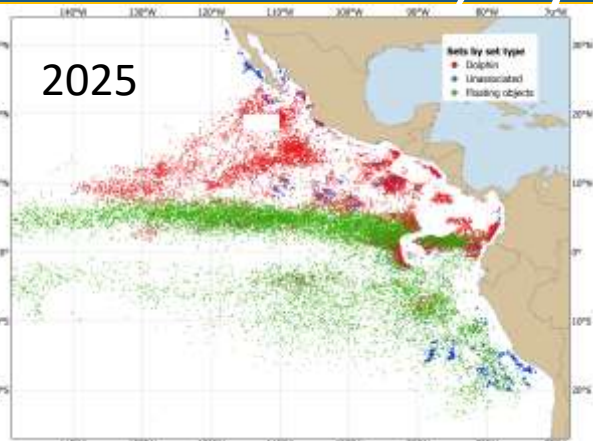
# Distribución de lances cerqueros, por tipo

## Distribution of purse seine sets, by type

2024



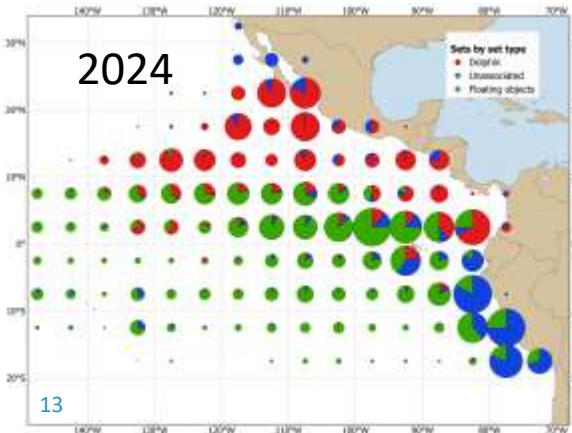
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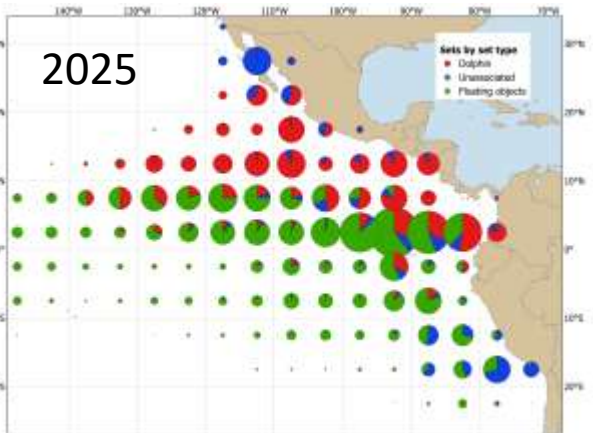
No. Lances – Sets

|     | <u>2024</u>   | <u>2025</u>   |
|-----|---------------|---------------|
| DEL | 10,554        | 11,175        |
| NOA | 7,595         | 4,473         |
| OBJ | 15,175        | 16,407        |
|     | <u>33,324</u> | <u>32,055</u> |

2024



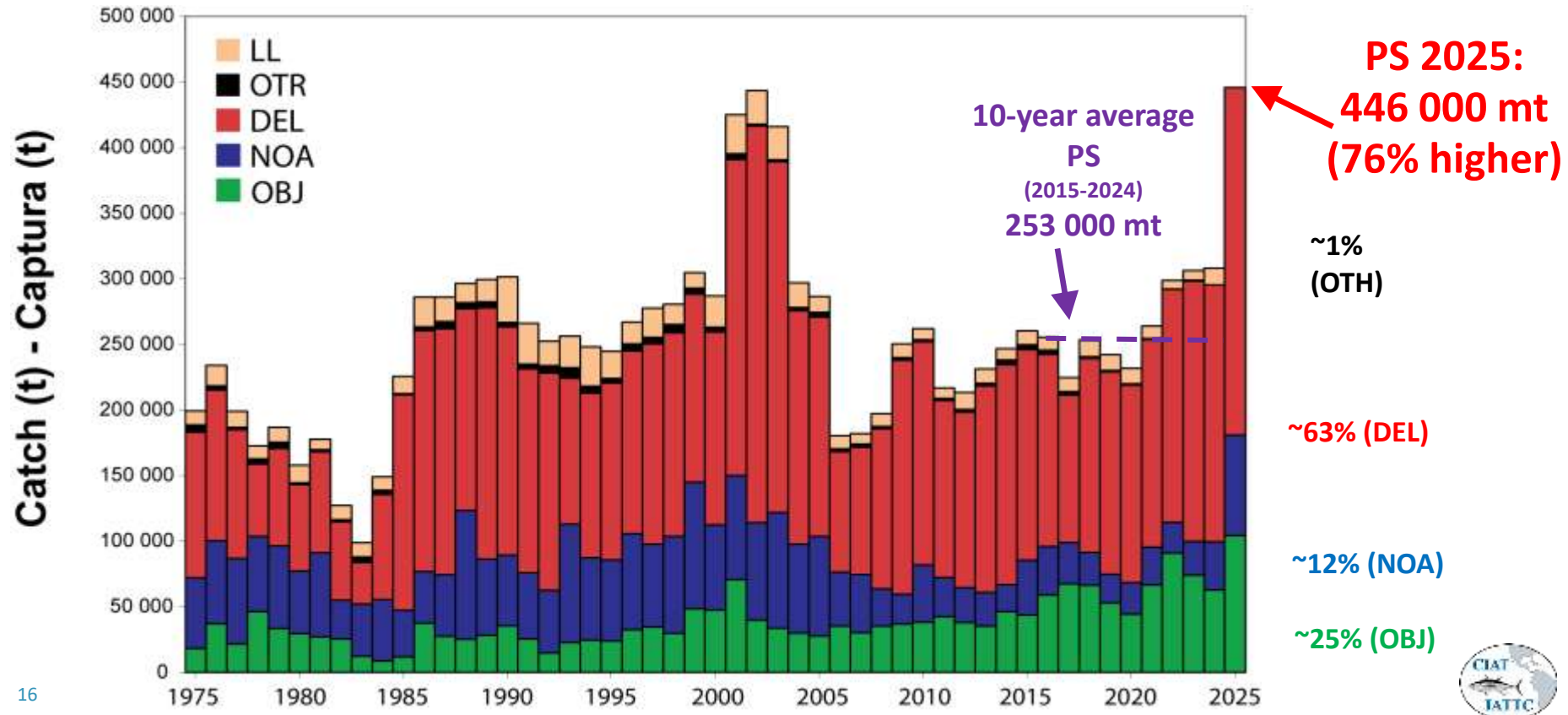
2025



% por tipo – by set type

|      | <u>DEL</u> | <u>NOA</u> | <u>OBJ</u>  |
|------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 2022 | 31.9       | 14.3       | 53.8        |
| 2023 | 32.4       | 13.4       | 54.2        |
| 2024 | 31.7       | 22.8       | 45.5        |
| 2025 | 34.9       | 14.0       | <u>51.2</u> |

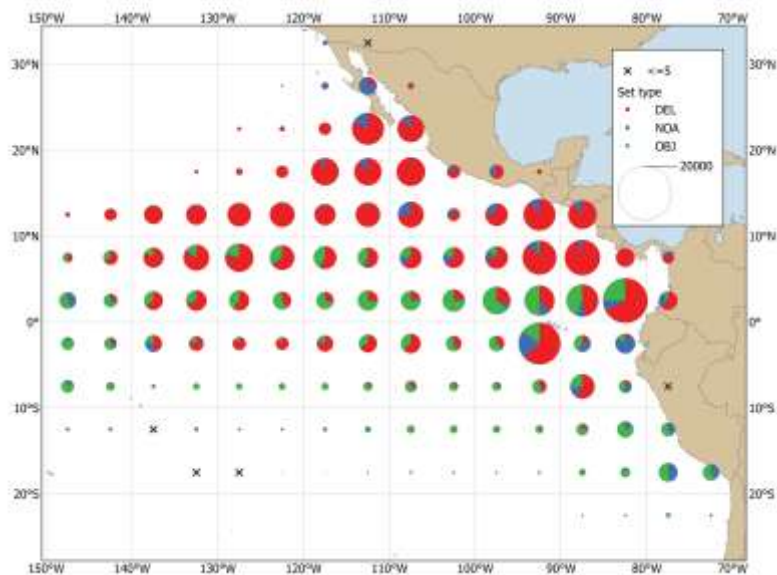
# YFT - Captura por arte de pesca—Catch by gear type



# YFT - Distribución de las capturas cerqueras

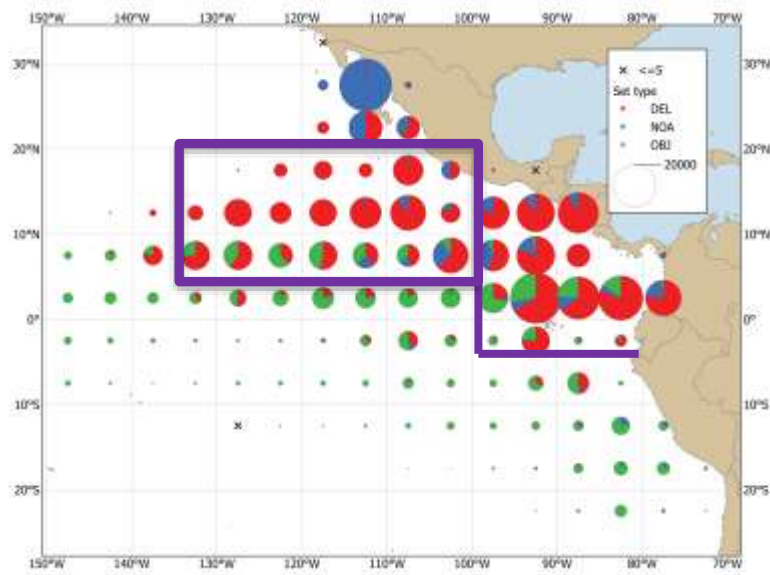
## YFT - Distribution of purse-seine catches

Promedio - Average 2015-2024



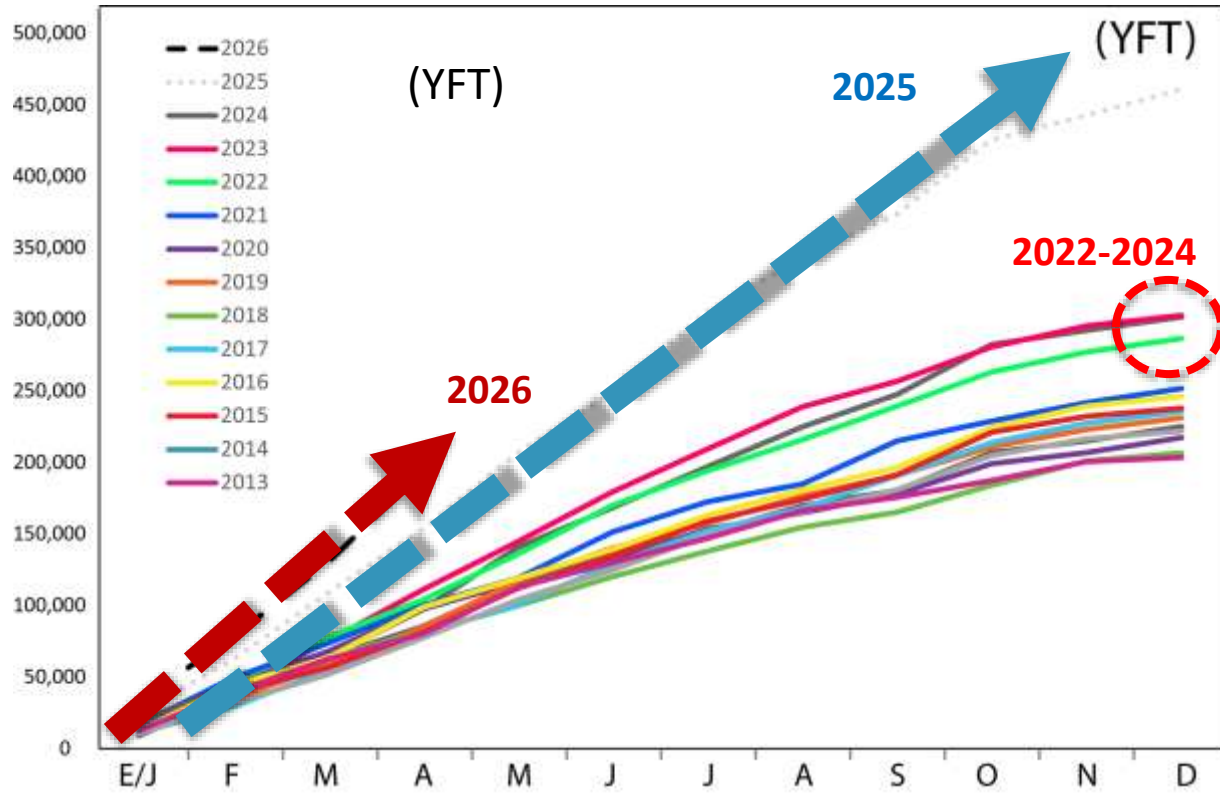
**252 000 mt (211 000 - 298 000)**

2025



**444 000 mt (76% Mayor-Higher)**

# YFT - Captura acumulativa–Cumulative catch



# Cohortes YFT fuertes de 2021 y 2022

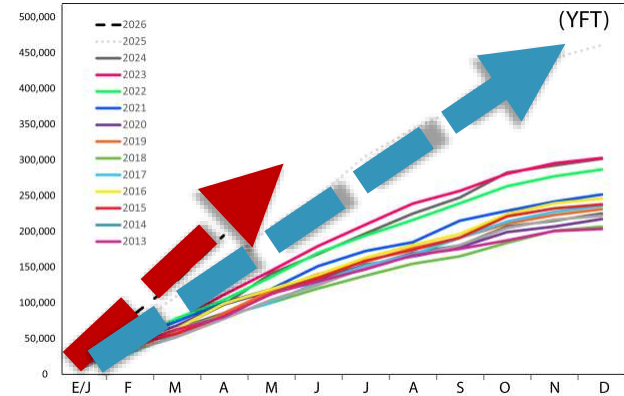
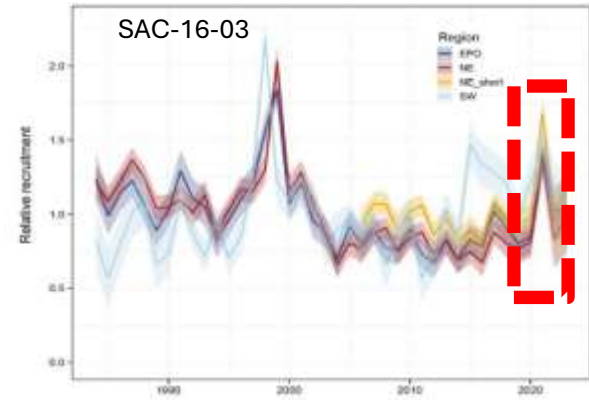
## Strong 2021 and 2022 YFT cohorts

2024

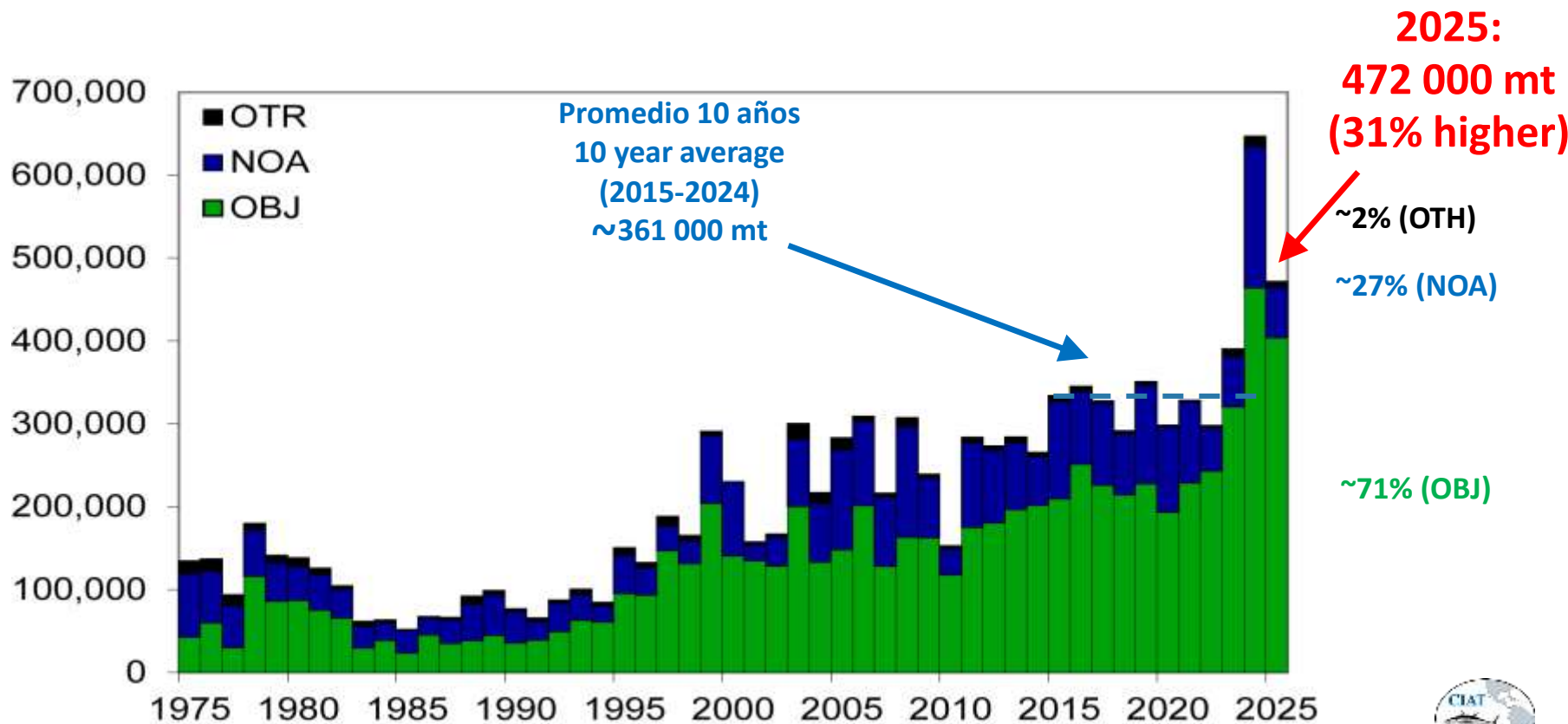
2022 cohort

2021 cohort

2025



# SKJ - Captura por arte de pesca-Catch by set type

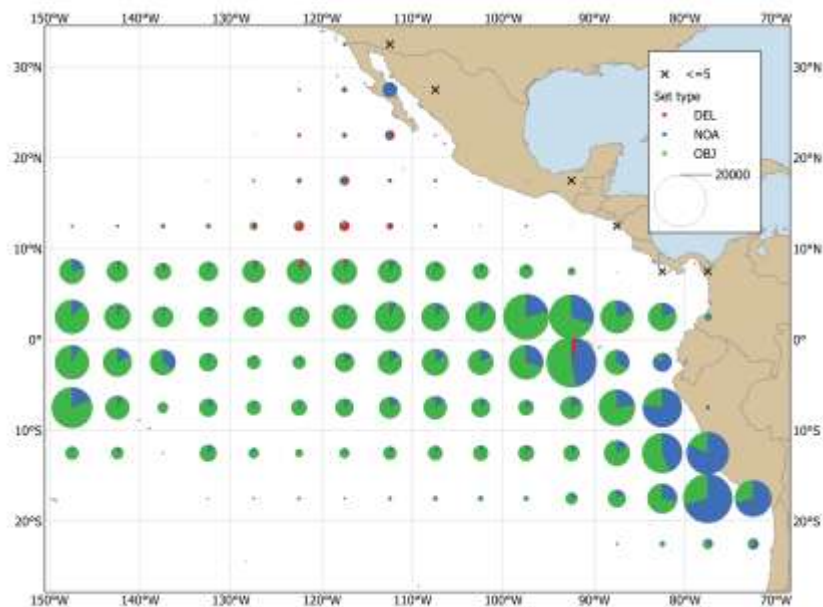




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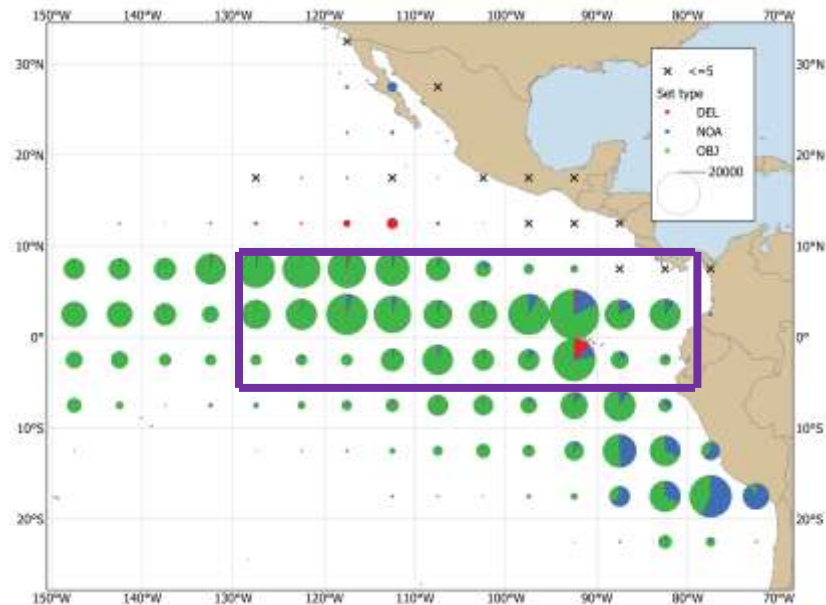
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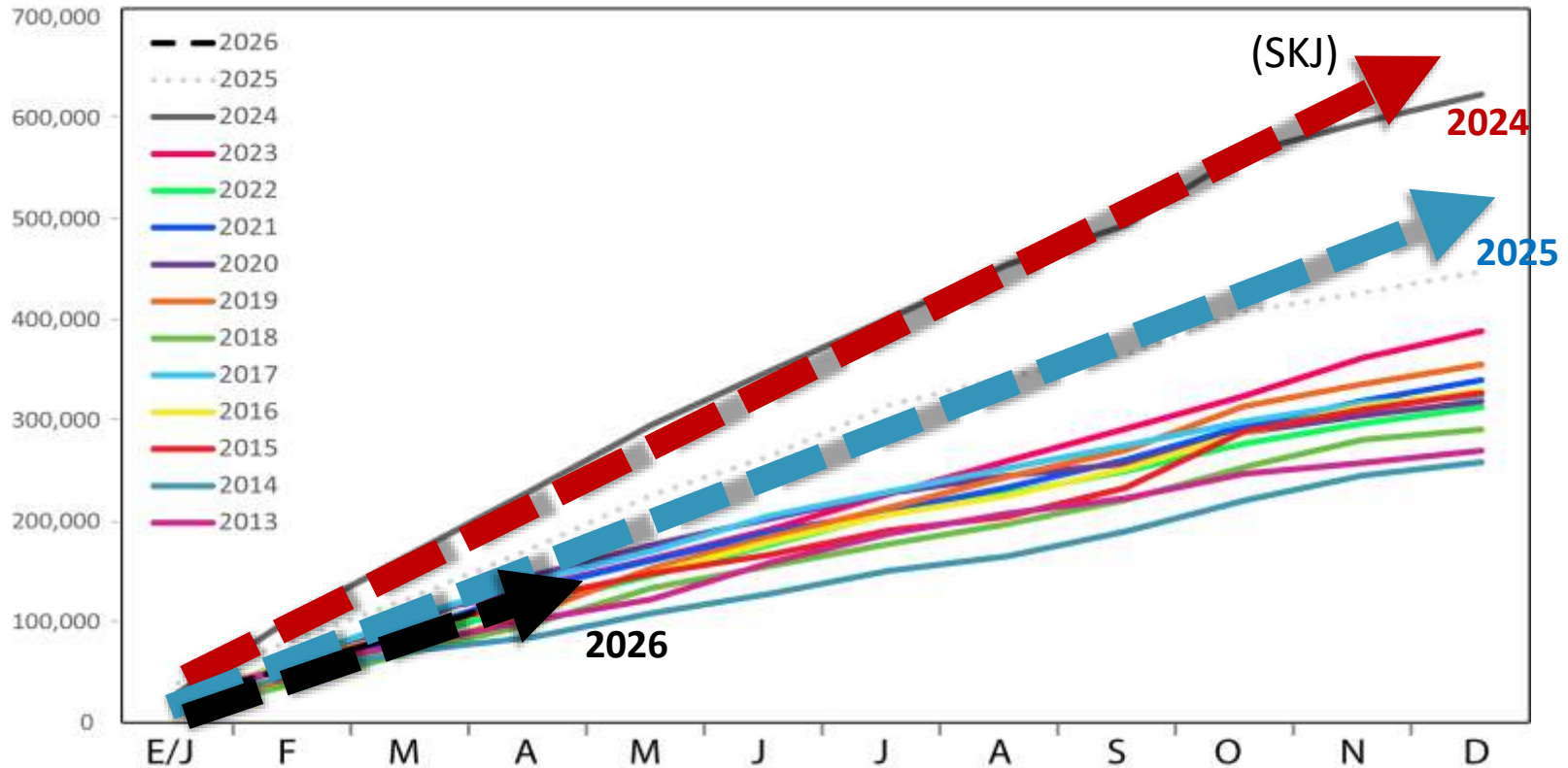
**358 000 mt (289 000 - 641 000)**

2025

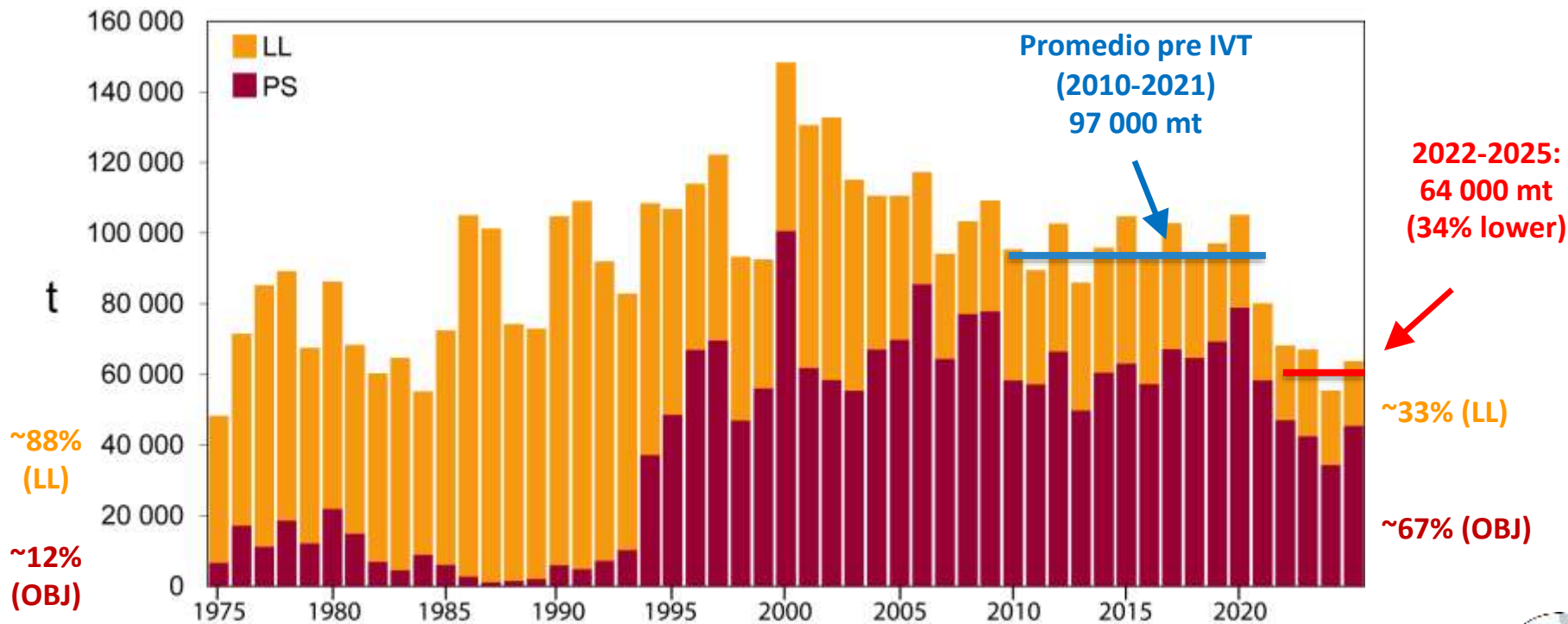


**470 000 mt (31% Mayor-Higher)**

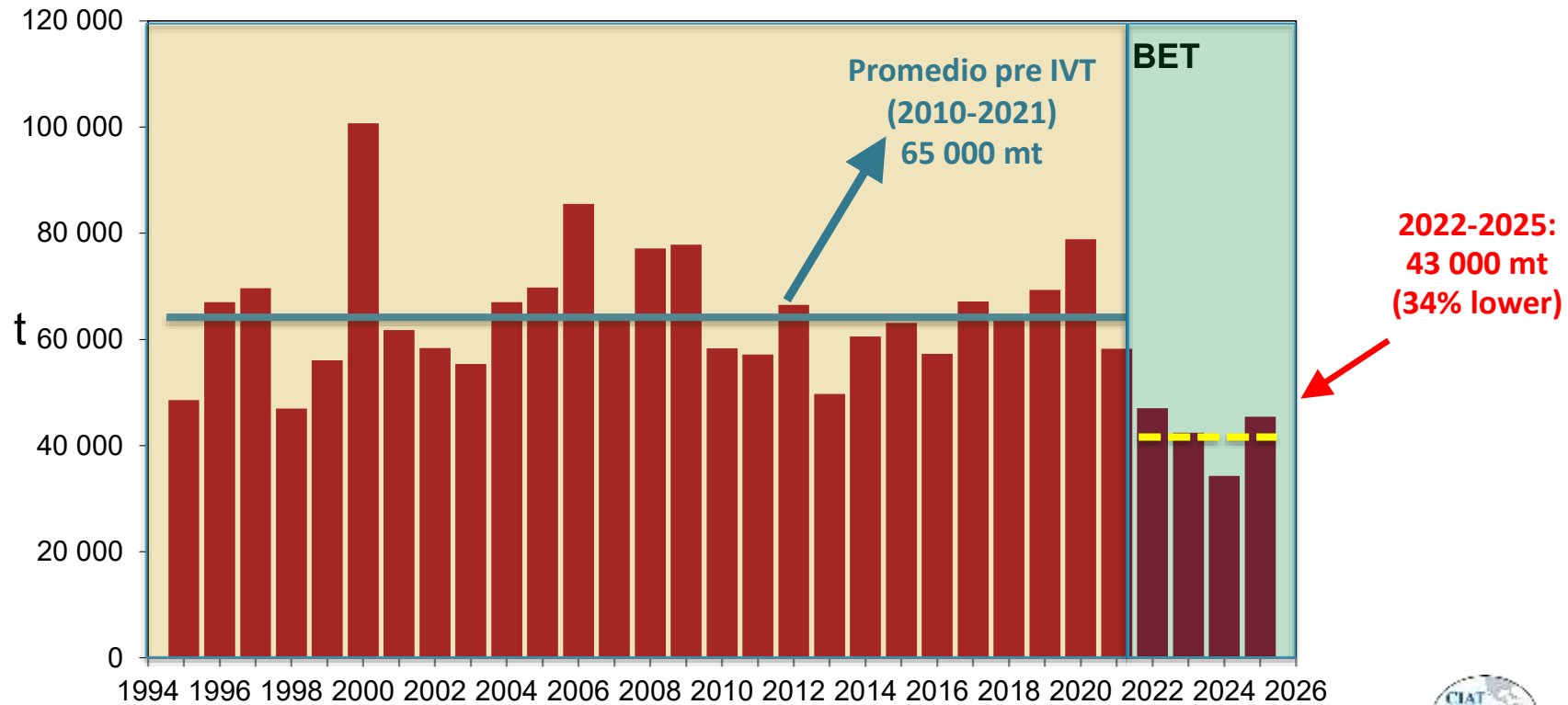
# SKJ Captura acumulativa–Cumulative catch



# BET - Captura por arte de pesca—Catch by gear type



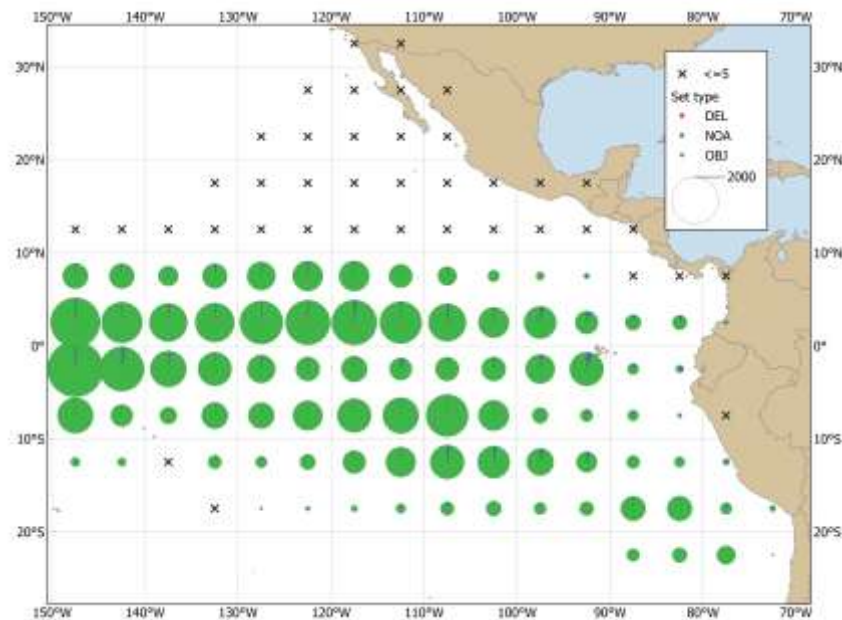
# BET – impact of IVT program - efectos del programa UIB



# BET - Distribución de las capturas cerqueras

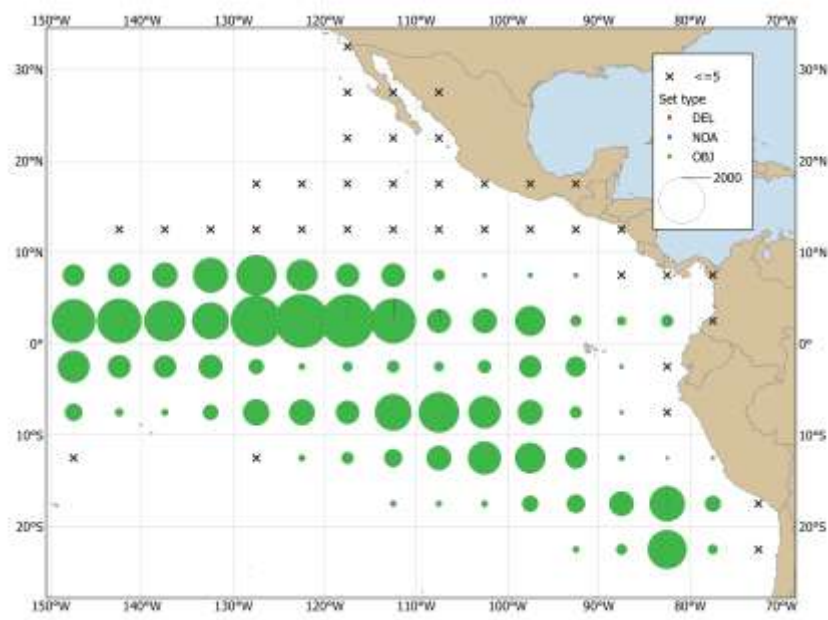
## BET - Distribution of purse-seine catches

Promedio - Average 2015-2024



**58 000 mt (34 000 - 79 000)**

2025



**45 000 mt (22% Menor-Lower)**

# BET Captura acumulativa–Cumulative catch

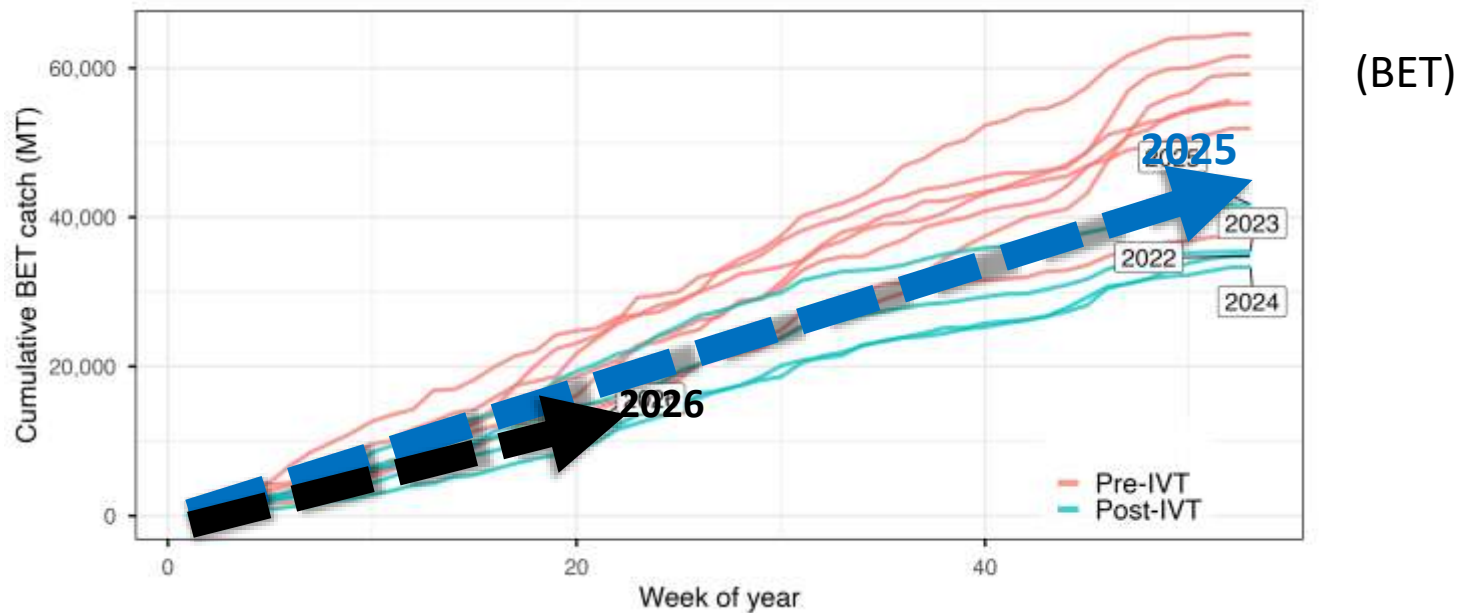


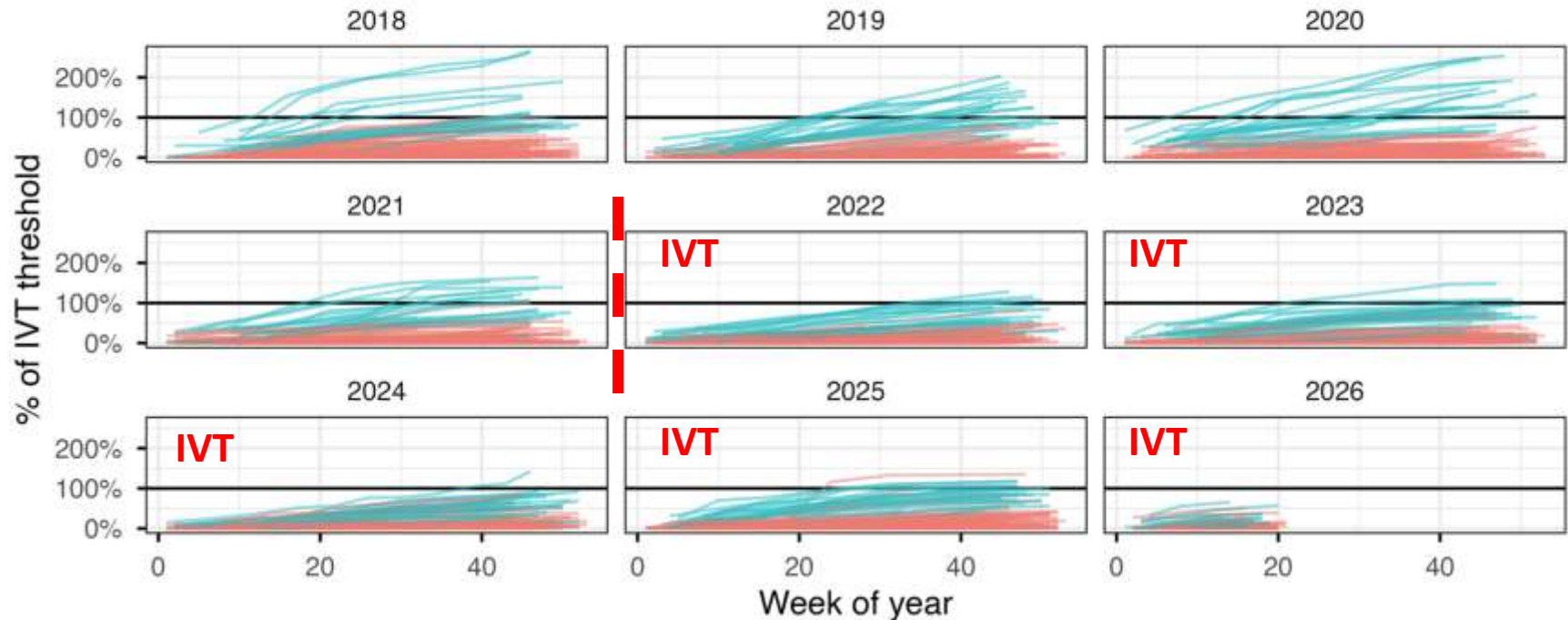
Figure 1: Weekly cumulative catch curves by year through week 19 for 2025. Color indicates post-IVT years, label shows individual post-IVT year values.



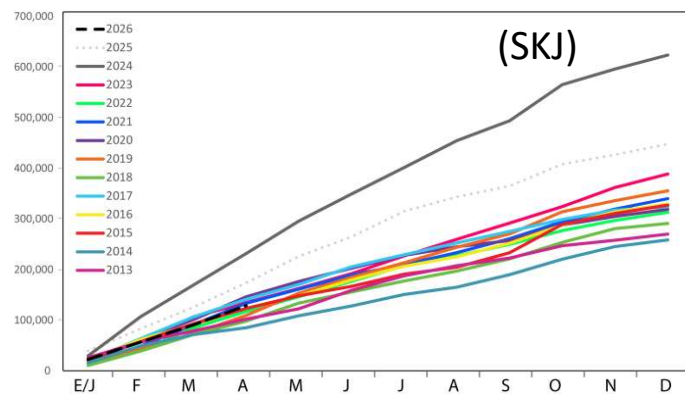
# Progreso semanal a UIB

## Weekly Progress to IVT

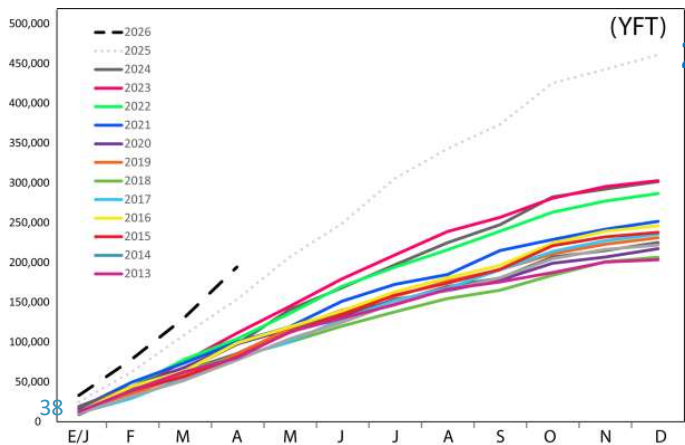
— Non-Highliner — Highliner



# Captura acumulativa—Cumulative catch

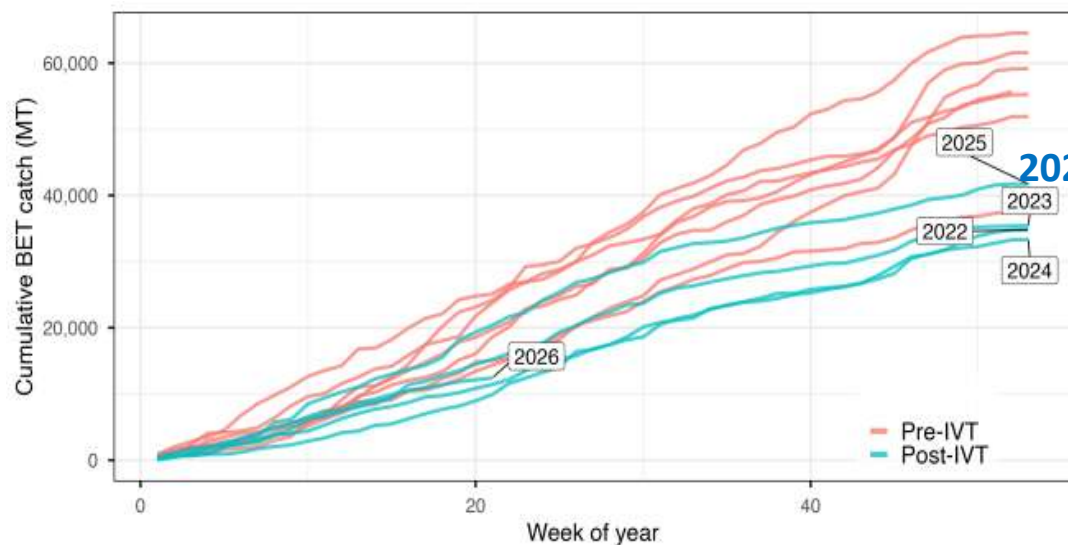


2025



2025

(BET)



# Puntos destacados del año pesquero de 2025 y años recientes

## Highlights of 2025 and recent fishing years

- Dos años consecutivos de capturas históricamente elevadas en la **pesquería de atún tropical del OPO** (2024-2025, ~1 millón t)
- **YFT DEL:** 2022, 2023 y 2024 marcaron 3 años consecutivos de capturas elevadas (~180 - 200 mil t)
  - Las cohortes fuertes de 2021 y 2022 pasan por la pesquería DEL
  - 2025 fue un año extraordinario para la pesquería DEL (otra cohorte fuerte: 2022)
  - El año 2026 se perfila de forma similar
- Two consecutive years of historic high catches in the **EPO tropical tuna fishery** (2024-2025, ~1 million t)
- **YFT DEL:** 2022–2024 marked three consecutive years of high catches (~180–200 thousand t), followed by a record high catch of approximately 450 thousand t in 2025.
  - Strong 2021 and 2022 cohorts passing through the DEL fishery
  - 2025 was an extraordinary year for DEL fishery (another strong cohort: 2022)
  - 2026 is shaping up similarly

# Puntos destacados del año pesquero de 2025 y años recientes

## Highlights of 2025 and recent fishing years

- **SKJ:** 2023 y 2024 marcaron 2 años consecutivos de capturas récord (~400 - 650 mil t)
  - Eventos fuertes de El Niño en 2023-2024
- **BET OBJ:** Históricamente las capturas más bajas (~42,000 t, 2022-2025)) desde la expansión de la pesquería a mediados de la década de 1990
  - Coincide con la medida de UIB (C-21-04, 2022-2024)

- **SKJ:** 2023 and 2024 marked 2 consecutive years of record high catches (~400 - 650 thousand t)
  - Strong 2023-2024 El Nino events
- **BET OBJ:** Historically, the lowest catches (~42,000 t, 2022-2025) since the expansion of the fishery in mid-1990s
  - Coinciding with IVT measure (C-21-04, 2022-2025)



Preguntas?  
Questions?

