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**Compiled information from Member's report on Paragraph 5, CMM 2014-04 (Pacific bluefin tuna)**

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**Secretariat**

According to Paragraph 5 of the CMM 2014-04, the following matrix is prepared from Member's report on catch and effort information.

5. CCMs shall report their 2002–2004 baseline fishing effort and <30 kg and  $\geq$ 30 kg catch levels for 2013 and 2014, by fishery, as referred to in the preceding two paragraphs, to the Executive Director by 31 July 2015. CCMs shall also report to the Executive Director by 31 July each year their fishing effort and <30 kg and  $\geq$ 30 kg catch levels, by fishery, for the previous year, accounting for all catches, including discards. The Executive Director will compile this information each year into an appropriate format for the use of the Northern Committee.

Table 1. Fishing effort by vessels fishing for Pacific bluefin tuna *in the area north of 20° N in the Convention Area*

Country	Fishery	Unit of fishing effort (e.g., sets, fishing days, vessels)	2002	2003	2004	2013	2014
Canada	ALB Troll <sup>1</sup>	Vessel-days	0	0	0	0	0
China	Longline		0	0	0	0	0
Cook Islands	Longline		0	0	0	0	0
Japan	Purse Seine	Number of vessels	69	60	59	-	-
	Longline Dist.&Off.	Number of vessels	654	632	613	-	-
	Longline Coastal	Number of vessels	399	422	386	-	-
	Pole & Line	Number of vessels	146	140	137	-	-
	Artisanal fisheries	Number of vessels	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	-	-
	Set Net	Number of licenses	1,876	1,956	1,956	-	-
	Others	Number of vessels	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	-	-
Korea	Offshore large purse seine	Number of vessels	32	29	29	24	24
Philippines	NA	-	-	-	-	-	
Chinese Taipei	Longline	vessels	684	659	632	513	485
USA	<a href="#">NA American Samoa longline</a>	-	-	-	-	-	
Vanuatu	NA	-	-	-	-	-	
Australia	Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery	hooks	-	-	-	-	9,850

<sup>1</sup> The Canadian Albacore Troll fishery does not target Pacific bluefin tuna, thus there is no directed fishing effort in any year.

Table 2. Catches (mt), including discards, of Pacific bluefin tuna *in the Convention Area* (include all the fisheries in the previous table, plus all other fisheries that catch any Pacific bluefin tuna)

Country	Fishery	2002		2003		2004		2013		2014	
		<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg
Canada	ALB Troll <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0386	0	0.0535	0
China	Longline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cook Islands	Longline	0	1.789	0	2.94	0	1.35	0	0.09	0.015	0.67
Japan	Purse Seine	-	-	-	-	-	-	989	1,781	3,409	2,047
	Longline Dist.&Off.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	14	-	-
	Longline Coastal	-	-	-	-	-	-	235	543	111	603
	Pole & Line	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	0	5	0
	Artisanal fisheries	-	-	-	-	-	-	904	0	1,023	0
	Set Net	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,020	395	1,375	532
	Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	142	387	155	344
Korea	Offshore large purse seine	932	-	2,601	-	773	-	580	24	1,192	112
	Set net	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	6	0
	Coastal trollers	-	-	-	-	-	-	<1	0	0	0
	Offshore trawl	-	-	-	-	-	-	<1	0	<1	0
Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	pcs (smallest is 250 kilograms)	0 (nil)	0 (nil)	
Chinese Taipei	Longline	0	1,523	0	1,863	0	1,714	0	332	0	480
	Other coastal fisheries	0	4	0	21	0	3	0	3	0	3
USA	American Samoa longline		7		10		2		2		3
	United States longline		1		0		0.5		0		0
Vanuatu	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.027

<sup>2</sup> All catches reported in this table are non-target or by-catch made while fishing for north Pacific albacore tuna.