**WCPO yellowfin tuna**

**Status and trends**

SC12 noted that no stock assessment was conducted for WCPO yellowfin tuna in 2015. Therefore, the stock status description from SC10 is still current.

For further information on the stock status and trends from SC10, please see

<http://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/SC10%20-%20final_posted-rev.docx>

**Management advice and implications**

SC12 noted that no management advice has been provided since SC10. Therefore, the advice from SC10 should be maintained, pending a new assessment or other new information. For further information on the management advice and implications from SC10, please see

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SC12 also noted that the total yellowfin catch in 2015 was 605,963 mt, which was a 2% increase over 2014 and a 7% increase over 2010-14.

SC12 also noted that the results of the updated short-term projections for 2014-2016 indicated that the median spawning biomass depletion in 2016 was projected to be SB2016/SBF=0 = 0.49.