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## Scientific Information for the Year 2015 in the WCPFC Area, by Ecuadorian Fishing Fleet

In order to comply with the commitments made by Ecuador with the Committee on Fisheries of the Western and Central Pacific (WCPFC), the data required catch; geographic areas were carried out fishing activities and information to be provided discarding by the Ecuadorian fishing fleet.

### 1. ACTIVE FISHING FLEET IN THE WCPFC

Ecuador has 11 seiners fishing vessels registered in the WCPFC to conduct fishing activities in the area of the Commission. It is worth mentioning that due to the distance between Ecuador and the area of the Commission, were recorded only in purse seining vessels, because their autonomy allows them to make long trips for fishing activities, which does not happen with longliners.

**Table 1. Fishing Vessels in the WCPFC Area**

Purse-Seine	Vessel Class (TRB)
Charo	1500+
Drennec	1500+
Guayatuna Dos*	1500+
Guayatuna Uno*	1500+
Milagros A	1001-1500
Panama Tuna*	1500+
Rocío	1500+
San Andrés	1500+
Ugavi	1500+
Ugavi Dos	1500+
Via Simoun	1500+

Source: [www.wcpfc.int](http://www.wcpfc.int)

\* Ecuadorian Vessels that fished in the WCPFC zone during 2015.

### 2. DETAILS OF VESSELS

The data considered come from the activities of these vessels during 2015.

**Table 2. Summary of total catches**

2015 PURSE SEINE ACTIVITIES	
SPECIES	TOTAL CATCH™
SKIP JACK	9086
YELLOWFIN < 10 KG	95
YELLOWFIN > 10 KG	259
BIGEYE < 10 KG	1372
BIGEYE > 10 KG	566
OTHER SPECIES	29
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11407</b>

Source: Guayatuna S.A. / Development: SRP

According to the data provided in the above table it shows that the main species caught is the Skipjack tuna with 9086 TM, followed by tuna Bigeye with 1938 TM, yellowfin tuna with 354 TM, finally other species with 29 TM. The biggest catch of resources was conducted during the months of January to April 2015. Catch and effort at the operational level, size of species as well as the time period and geographical area, will be detailed below: