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1.0 ABSTRACT

Tuvalu's Fishery comprised three active vessels which fished in the WCPO Convention Area in 2018. These were one purse seine vessel and two longliners. The fishing effort and catch distribution for the purse seine vessel was mainly in the south of the Kiribati EEZ. Some other catches and effort occurred in other the PNA waters such as Phoenix & Line group, Tokelau, Nauru, FSM & PNG. The two longliners mainly fished in the Tuvalu EEZ.

Tuvalu's purse seine vessel's total catch was 10,950mt in the Convention Area. The highest catch was skipjack tuna of 9,028mt (82%) in total, with 1,643mt (15%) of yellowfin tuna and 279mt (3%) for bigeye tuna species. The total catch of all species for Tuvalu flagged longline vessels in 2018 was 317mt. Albacore made up 118mt (37%), yellowfin tuna - 103mt (32%), bigeye tuna - 65mt (21%). Other species caught were billfish including blue marlin, black marlin, striped marlin and swordfish of 17mt (5%) and a small catch of 14mt (4%) of skipjack tuna species.

For coastal state reporting there were 309 fishing vessels licensed in the Tuvalu EEZ in 2018. These vessels were comprised of purse seiners (PS), longliners (LL) and fish carrier (FC). There were no pole and line (PL) or bunker vessels (B) applying for licences in Tuvalu's EEZ for the past two years. In 2018 there were 78 longline vessels licensed in Tuvalu's EEZ, of which 65 longline vessels applied for six months and 13 longline vessels for 12 months licence period. There were 189 purse seiners and 45 fish carrier. The number of licensed vessels has decreased from 357 to 309 (2017 to 2018). The numbers of both longline and purse seine vessels licensed were lower than in 2017.

The total catches of tuna from foreign fishing vessels in Tuvalu EEZ for 2018 were 92,730mt. The highest total catches by flag in 2018 were taken by Korean flagged vessels of 36,266mt (39%), followed by Kiribati of 12,878mt (14%), and Federated States of Micronesia of 9264mt (10%). The lowest catches by flag were by vessels of Cook Islands of 4mt (0.004%), China of 361mt (0.389%) and Fiji of 267mt (0.288%).

Tuvalu's National Observer Program had a total number of Tuvaluan observers of 79 (78male & 1 female) in 2018. Included in this total are 29 certified as debriefers who can now assist in the debriefing process, 4 debriefer assessors and 67 MSC (chain of custody) observers. There are 2 observers eligible for cross-endorsed trips into the IATTC area.

2.0 BACKGROUND

Tuvalu Fishery comprised three active vessels that fished in the WCPO Convention Area in 2018. These were one purse seiner vessel and two longliners. Most fishing activity in the Tuvalu EEZ is by foreign vessels operating under access agreements., with licensing managed by the Tuvalu Fisheries Department.

The Tuvalu flagged purse seine vessel mainly fished in the south of the Kiribati EEZ. The two longliners mostly fished in the Tuvalu EEZ, with some catches in the adjacent high seas. The Longliners catches are offloaded in Suva port, while the Purse seiner transshipped catches in Funafuti, Christmas Is and Majuro ports.

3.0 FLAG STATE REPORTING

3.1 DOMESTIC FLEET

On the WCPFC RFV Tuvalu has three flagged vessels authorized to fish in the Convention area in 2018. These were one purse seiner and two longliners. Table 1a and 1b below shows the number of Tuvalu flagged purse seine and longline vessels according to size category over recent years.

Table 1a. Number of Tuvalu purse seine flagged vessels and size category, active in the WCPFC Convention Area for 2014 -2018. Source: TUFMAN 2

| Year | 00-500 GRT | 501-1000 GRT | 1001-1500 GRT | 1500+ GRT | Total Vessels |
|------|------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| 2014 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2015 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2016 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2017 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 2018 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

Table 1b. Number of Tuvalu longline flagged vessels and size category, active in the WCPFC Convention Area for 2014 -2018. Source. TUFMAN 2

| Year | 00-50 GRT | 51-200 GRT | 201-500 GRT | 500+ GRT | Total Vessels |
|------|-----------|------------|-------------|----------|---------------|
| 2014 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 2015 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 2016 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 2017 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 2018 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

3.2 CATCH DATA

3.2.1 Purse seine

Tuvalu's purse seine vessel had a total catch of 10,950mt (Table 2 & Figure 1) in 2018, as estimated from logsheets.

The highest catch was skipjack tuna of 9,028mt (82%) in total, 1,643mt (15%) of yellowfin tuna and 279mt (3%) for bigeye tuna.

Table 2: Annual raised catch estimate (mt) for Tuvalu Purse seine fleet, in the WCPFC Convention Area over the five past years (2014-2018). Source: TUFMAN 2.

| YEAR | BET | SKJ | YFT | TOTAL (mt) |
|------|-----|------|------|------------|
| 2014 | 11 | 5593 | 216 | 5820 |
| 2015 | 0 | 5362 | 108 | 5470 |
| 2016 | 0 | 5970 | 140 | 6110 |
| 2017 | 8 | 4551 | 1082 | 5641 |
| 2018 | 279 | 9028 | 1643 | 10950 |

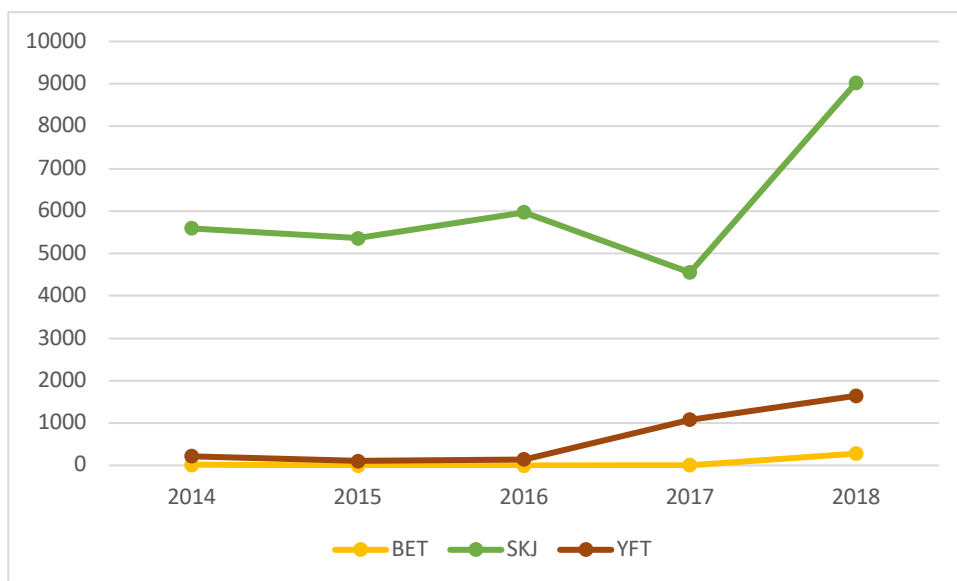


Figure 1: Chart of annual catches target species for Tuvalu Purse Seiner for the WCPFC Convention area over the past five years (2014-2018).

3.2.2 Longline

The total catch of all species for Tuvalu flagged longline vessels in 2018, estimated from logsheets, was 317mt (Table 3 & Figure 2). Albacore accounted for 118mt (37%), yellowfin tuna for 103mt (32%), bigeye tuna for 65mt (21%), billfish (including blue marlin, black marlin, striped marlin and swordfish) for 17mt (5%) and 14mt (4%) skipjack tuna was also reported caught.

Table 3: Annual raised catch estimates (mt) for the Tuvalu Longline fleet, in the WCPFC Convention Area over the past five years. Source: TUFMAN 2

| YEAR | ALB | BET | SKJ | YFT | OTH | TOTAL (mt) |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| 2014 | 85 | 219 | 5 | 216 | 32 | 557 |
| 2015 | 98 | 205 | 7 | 175 | 23 | 508 |
| 2016 | 52 | 104 | 3 | 125 | 15 | 299 |
| 2017 | 173 | 108 | 4 | 163 | 26 | 474 |
| 2018 | 118 | 65 | 14 | 103 | 17 | 317 |

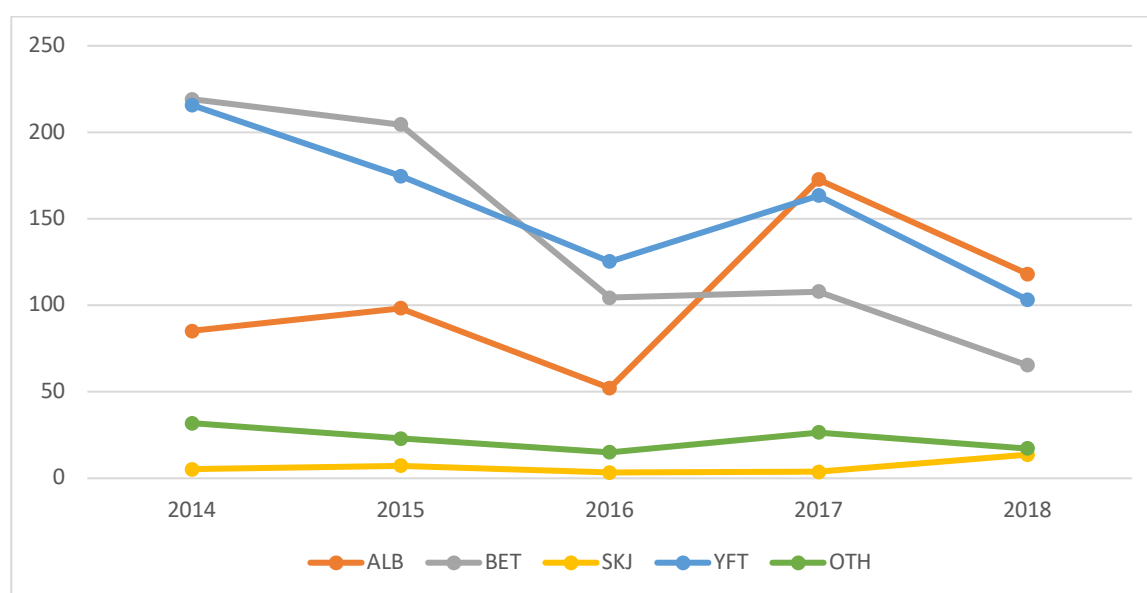


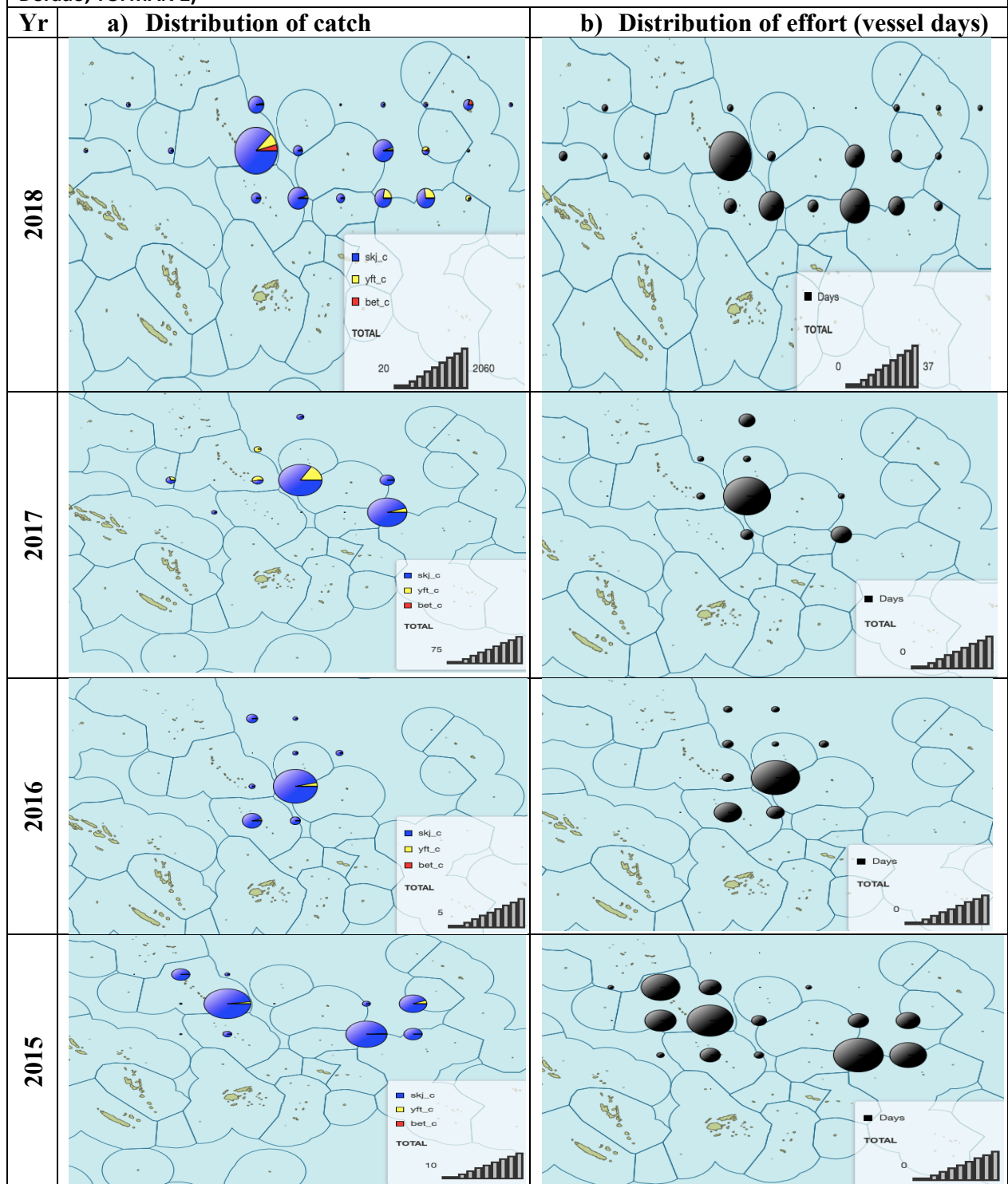
Figure 2: Chart of annual catches of target species for Tuvalu Purse seiner(s) for the WCPFC Convention area over the past five years (2014-2018). Source: TUFMAN 2

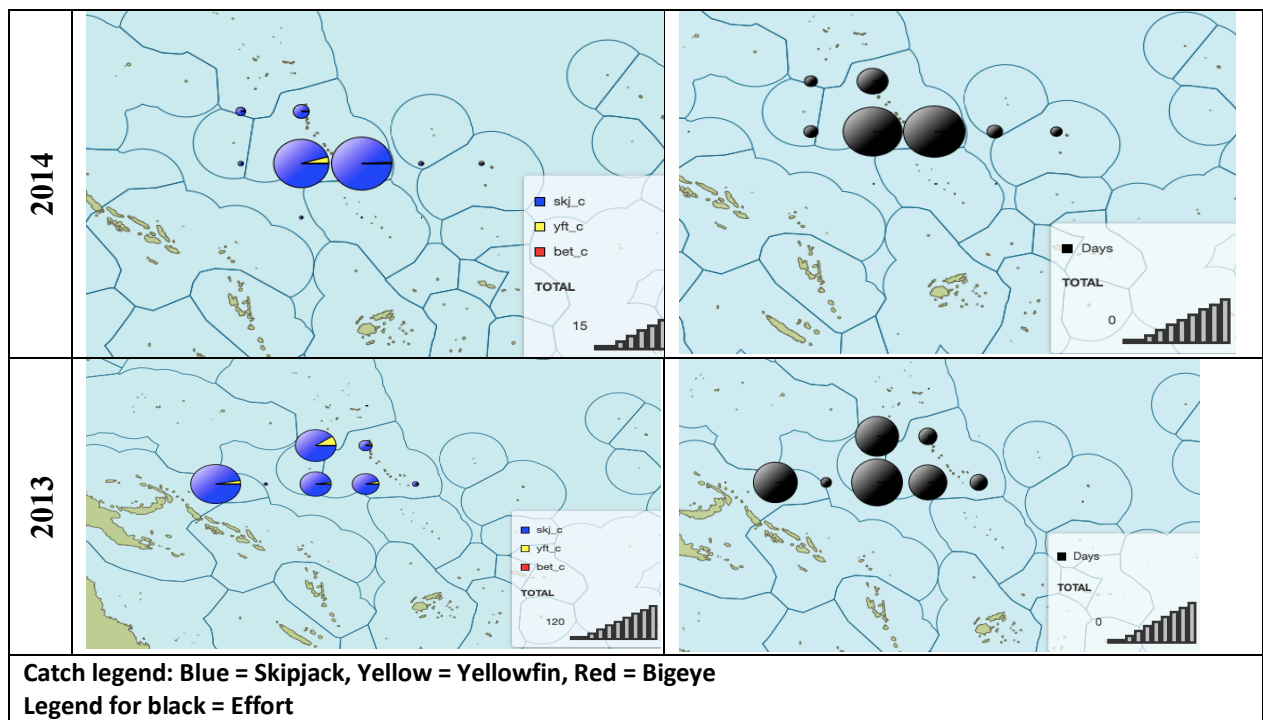
3.3 FISHING PATTERN AND DISTRIBUTION

3.3.1 Catch and Effort distribution for Purse seiners

The fishing catch and effort for Purse seine in 2018 were mostly concentrated on the south of the Kiribati EEZ. Some other fishing catches and effort were distributed around the other PNA waters such as Phoenix & Line group, Tokelau, Nauru, FSM & PNG. The highest catches for purse seiners are skipjack (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Tuvalu National Purse seine fleet operations within WCPO area in the past five years, (Source – Dorado, TUFMAN 2)

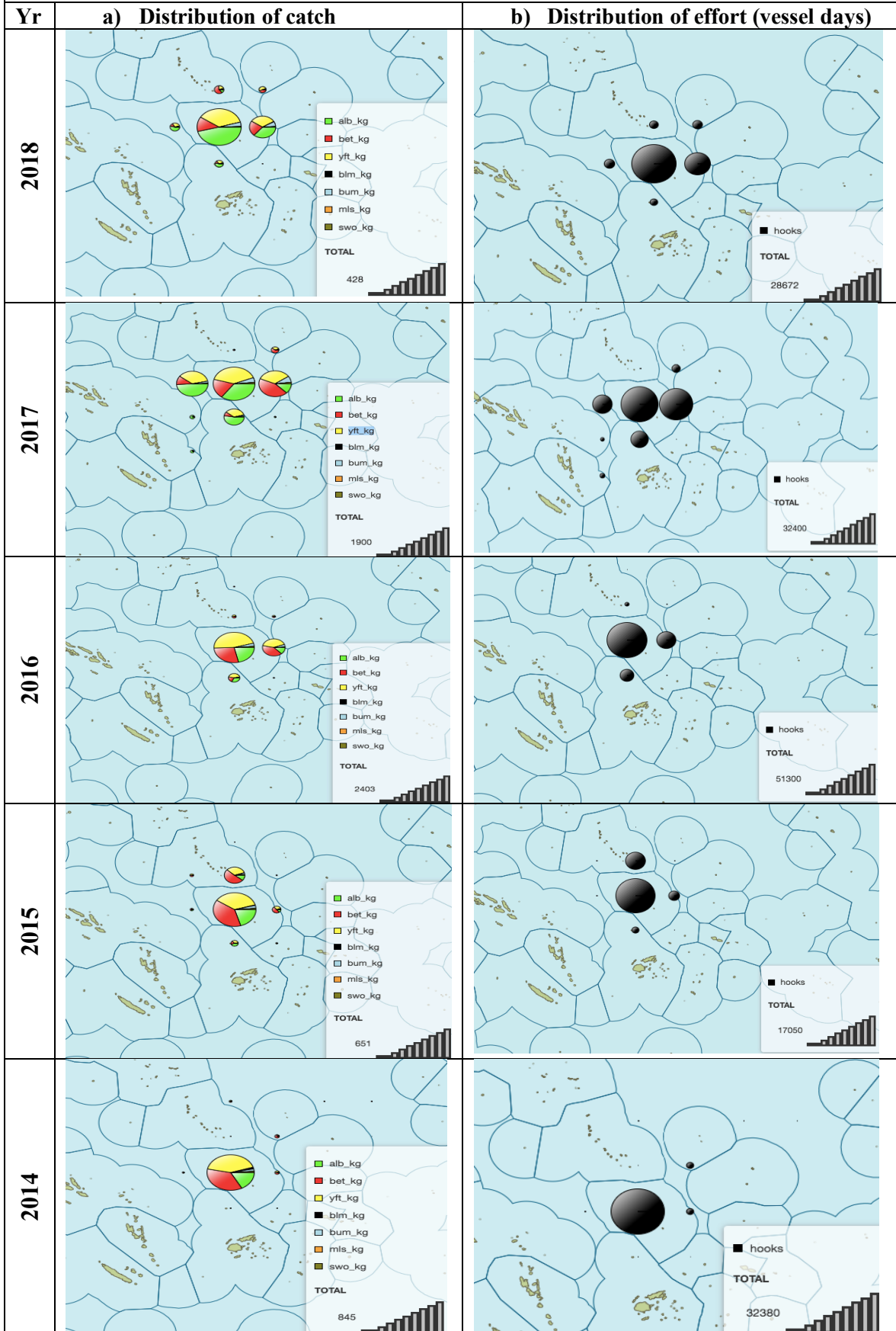




3.3.2 Catch and Effort distribution for Longliners

The fishing catch and effort distribution for longline vessels in 2018 shows fishing mainly within the Tuvalu EEZ, and adjacent high seas areas (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Tuvalu National Longline fleet operations within WCPO area in the past five years, (Source – Dorado, TUFMAN 2)



Catch legend: Green= Albacore, Yellow = Yellowfin, Red = Bigeye
 Legend for black = Effort

3.3.3 Artisanal Fisheries

The small scale artisanal tuna data collection program has continued collecting information on target species such as bigeye, yellowfin and skipjack tuna all of which were caught by handline troll fishing. This information was collected by the data collectors from outer islands of Tuvalu and Funafuti, and managed by the Coastal Fisheries. There is no change of 64% on the highest catches of skipjack tuna. Then follow by yellowfin tuna of 30% and 4% for bigeye tuna (Table 4). Catches seem to have been falling in recent years, this is due mainly to the shift in focus with the program concentrating mostly on coastal fisheries. In 2018 data is not available from the Coastal Fisheries Section due to IT problems with the Creel survey database. Further analysis of artisanal tuna catches will be carried out in 2019.

**Table 4: Annual catches (kgs) landed by artisanal fishermen-unraised data. Source (TUFMAN 2).
*Using 2017 data since the artisanal data was not up to dated.**

| SPECIES | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017* | 2018 | TOTAL |
|--------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------|------------|
| SKJ | 162,591.5 | 54,048.9 | 38,434.8 | 7199.74 | N/A | 262,274.94 |
| YFT | 55,414 | 36,198.8 | 24,863.3 | 7277.37 | N/A | 123,753.47 |
| BET | 8910.1 | 972 | 4650 | 3041 | N/A | 17,573.10 |
| TOTAL | 226,915.6 | 91,219.7 | 67,948.1 | 17,518.77 | | |

3.4 SPECIES OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Some of the observer data is not yet available and shark interactions are derived from logsheet data.

3.5 NON-TARGET ASSOCIATED OR DIFFERENT SPECIES

The annual catch estimates for non-target species caught by Tuvalu flagged vessels is shown in Table 5. There were 21.35mt of non-target species for purse seine in 2018 while longline vessels caught a total of 17.35mt. These changes might be due to changes in fishing operations, or better reporting.

Table 5: Annual raised catch estimates (mt) of non-target, associated or dependent species for Tuvalu flagged vessels in the WCPFC Convention Area. Source: TUFMAN 2

| Year | BLM | BUM | MLS | SWO | BSH | FAL | HAM | MAK | TOTAL |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Purse seine | | | | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11.3 |

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|-----------------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2015 | 0 | 14.2 | 4.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18.6 |
| 2016 | 0 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.90 |
| 2017 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 0.79 | 14.19 | 0.00 | 2.18 | 3.313 | 0.79 | 0.043 | 0.043 | 21.35 |
| Longline | | | | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 8.36 | 13.72 | 0.26 | 9.56 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31.9 |
| 2015 | 2.54 | 13.68 | 0 | 6.73 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22.95 |
| 2016 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 3.61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14.61 |
| 2017 | 0.17 | 20.30 | 0.02 | 6.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26.49 |
| 2018 | 0.79 | 14.19 | 0 | 2.37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17.35 |

4.0 COASTAL STATE REPORTING

4.1 FISHING LICENSES

Tuvalu continues issuing fishing licenses to its bilateral partners such as Korea, Taiwan, China, Fiji, Kiribati and also vessels operating under Sub Regional Pooling. Vessels are also authorised under multilateral arrangements: the US Treaty, FSM Arrangement. In order to access tuna resources in the Tuvalu EEZ, domestic vessels are also authorized by fishing licenses issued by the Government of Tuvalu. For artisanal fishing, operators are subject to the local business regulation through the Kaupule (Island Council) but these small 5-7 meter vessels do not require commercial fishing licenses.

Prior to issuing bilateral fishing licenses to vessels, the Director of Fisheries signs an access agreement on behalf of the Tuvalu Government with fishing company or association. This is a legal requirement under Marine Resources Act.

There were 309 fishing vessels licensed in Tuvalu EEZ in 2018 (Table 6). These vessels comprised purse seiners (PS), longliners (LL) and fish carriers (FC). No pole and line (PL) or bunker vessels (B) have applied to operate in the Tuvalu EEZ for the past two years.

There were 78 longline vessels were license in Tuvalu EEZ, of which 65 longline vessels applied for six months and 13 longline vessels for 12 months period. There were 189 Purse seiners and 45 fish carriers. There was a decrease in the number of licenses for LL and PS in 2018 compared to 2017. This was mainly due to decrease in number of longline licenses, while for purse seiners, there were no license applied for in 2018 for Japanese vessels.

Likewise, the total number of vessels authorized under multi-lateral licensed arrangements decreased in 2018 (Table 7). However, in the purse seine category multi-lateral vessels (FSM Arrangement and US Treaty) still make up a large number of the total (Figure 5).

Table 6: Number of licenses issued for fishing in Tuvalu’s EEZ, by flag and gear type from 2014-2018. (Source: TUFMAN 1).

| Years | Longline | Purse seine | Pole & line | Fish Carrier | Bunker | TOTAL |
|-------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|-------|
| 2014 | 43 | 146 | 12 | 15 | 3 | 219 |
| 2015 | 22 | 188 | 1 | 34 | 7 | 256 |
| 2016 | 66 | 165 | 3 | 41 | 1 | 276 |
| 2017 | 115 | 202 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 357 |
| 2018 | 78 | 186 | 0 | 45 | 0 | 309 |

Table 7: Numbers of PS bilateral & multilateral licensed vessels authorised to fish in Tuvalu EEZ from 2014-2018.

| Years | Bilateral PS | FSMA | UST | TOTAL |
|-------|--------------|------|-----|-------|
| 2014 | 71 | 70 | 31 | 172 |
| 2015 | 71 | 79 | 31 | 181 |
| 2016 | 88 | 88 | 31 | 167 |
| 2017 | 73 | 86 | 31 | 190 |
| 2018 | 98 | 57 | 31 | 186 |

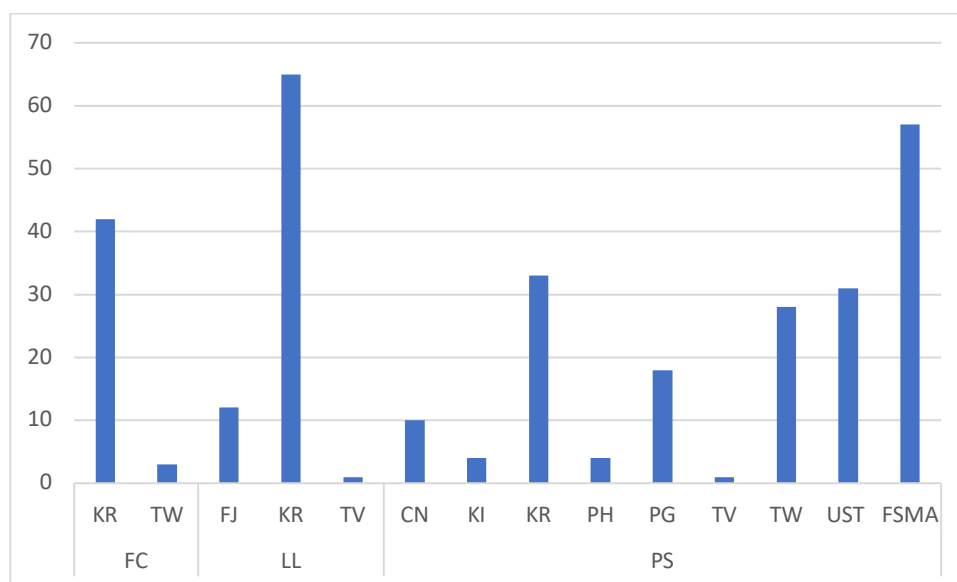


Figure 5: Annual number of fishing vessel licenses by flag and gear type in 2018

4.2 CATCHES IN TUVALU EEZ

Most catches were made by vessels operating under bilateral arrangement with Kiribati, Taiwan, Korea and multi-lateral arrangements - the US Treaty and FSM Arrangement. These were the main fishing vessels which fished in Tuvalu's EEZ in 2018 (Figure 6).

The total catches of tuna in Tuvalu EEZ from foreign fishing vessels for 2018 were 92,730mt. In Figure 6 the highest total catches by flag in 2018 were by Korean vessels of 36,266mt (39%), followed by Kiribati of 12,878mt (14%), Federated State of Micronesia of 9,264mt (10%). The lowest catches were reported by vessels of Cook Islands of 4mt (0.004%), China of 361mt (0.389%) and Fiji of 267mt (0.288%).

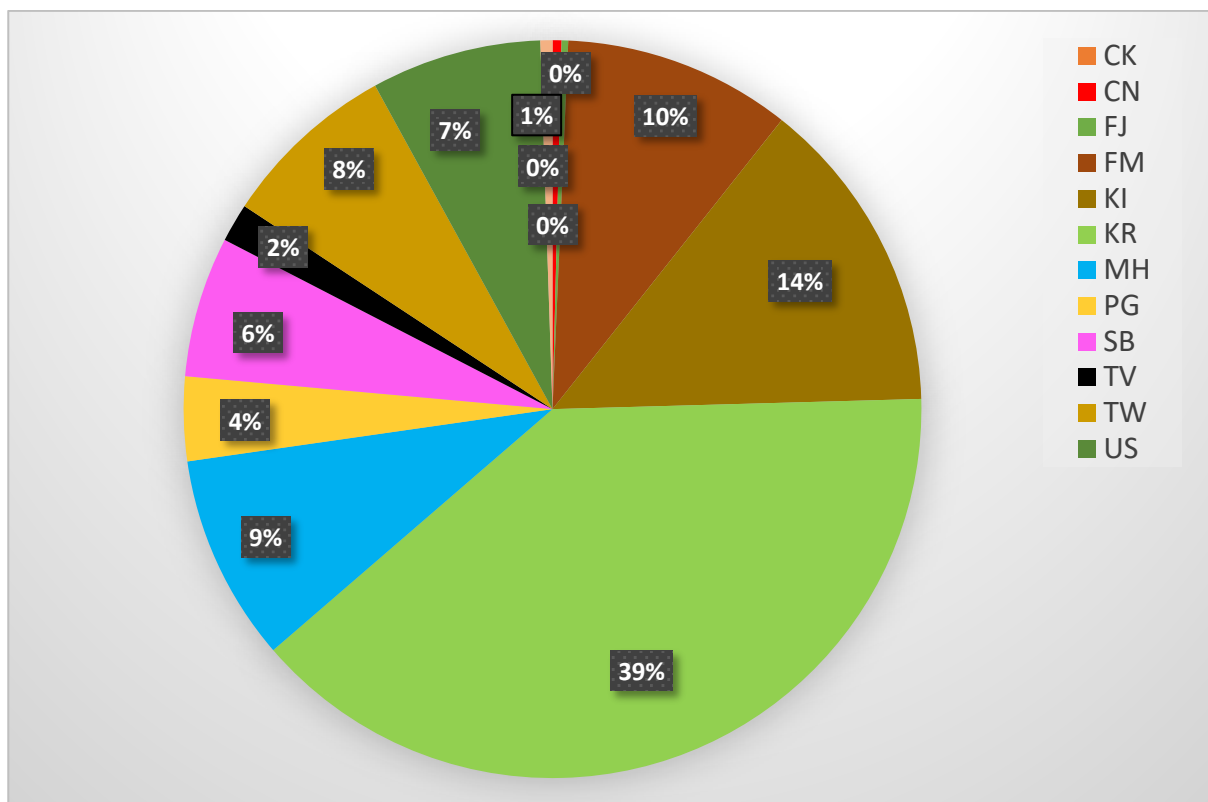


Figure 6: Total raised catch estimates (mt) in Tuvalu EEZ by flag 2018. Source: TUFMAN 2

In terms of composition, for purse seiners that fished in Tuvalu's EEZ in 2017 and 2018, skipjack tuna dominates with more than 90% of total catches, followed by the yellowfin; while bigeye tuna has the lowest catch (Figure 6 & 7).

In 2018 skipjack tuna catches were 84,304mt (94%), 4,211 (5%) of yellowfin tuna and bigeye tuna of 1,136mt (1%). The comparison with 2017, by species and fleet, is shown in Figure 7.

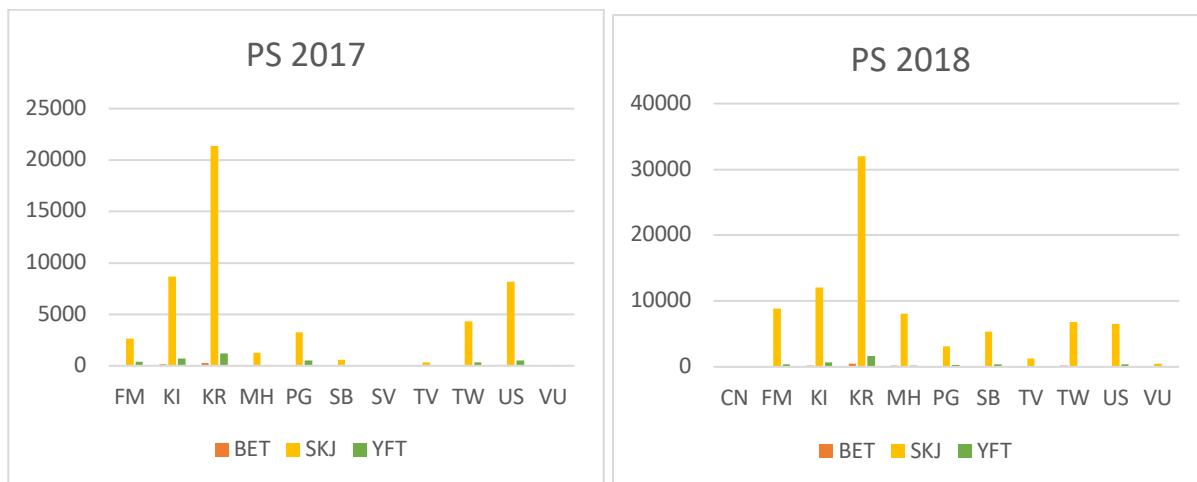


Figure 7: Comparison of purse seine total tuna catches within Tuvalu EEZ by flag and gears in 2017 & 2018.
Source: TUFMAN 2

For longline vessels that fished in Tuvalu’s EEZ, by species composition, bigeye tuna were the highest catches in 2018 and yellowfin tuna in 2017.

In 2018 bigeye tuna catches made up 1,156mt (38%) of the total, followed by 1,033mt (34%) of yellowfin and albacore catches of 892mt (29%). In comparison, in 2017, yellowfin tuna was the highest catch of 1,908mt (50%), albacore tuna of 1,403mt (37%) and 477mt (13%) of bigeye tuna (Figure 7).

The SPC tuna tagging programme chartered a US flag vessel to fish in Tuvalu waters in 2018. This vessel made a total catch of 9mt (0.30%).

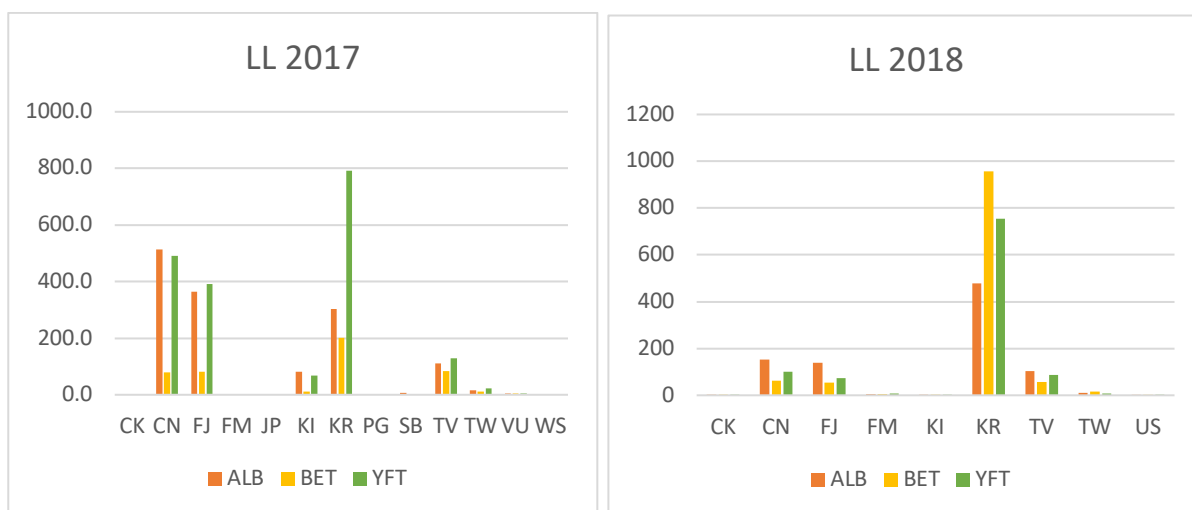


Figure 8: Comparison of longline total tuna catches within Tuvalu EEZ by flag and gears in 2017 & 2018.
Source: TUFMAN 2

5.0 SOCIO ECONOMIC FACTORS

Fisheries licensing revenue makes up more than half of all revenue collected by the Government of Tuvalu, and is important in supporting government services, particularly in health and education. Joint venture fishing operations also contribute to tax revenue, and the government is considering possible future arrangements. The growth of transshipment activities in Funafuti lagoon in recent years has created some new economic and employment opportunities. However, there is concern locally over environmental impacts and the owners of two vessels paid administrative penalties after being detected dumping fish and other waste in the lagoon.

6.0 DISPOSAL OF CATCH

The Tuvalu purse seine vessel undertook transshipment in Funafuti port, as well as other ports outside Tuvalu such as Christmas Island and Majuro. Tuvalu longline vessels are offloaded in Suva port, Fiji.

7.0 ONSHORE DEVELOPMENTS

The National Fisheries Corporation of Tuvalu (NAFICOT) has been reformed to comply with the provisions of the Public Enterprises (Performance and Accountability) Act 2009 and acts as a vehicle for the GOT's commercial fishery interests. The recruitment process for NAFICOT staff was commenced in 2018. The main purpose of NAFICOT is that all Joint ventures with the Government of Tuvalu should be under the authority of this corporation.

8.0 FUTURE PROSPECTS OF THE FISHERY

Tuvalu still continues to promote domestication of its tuna fishery, although the challenges are great. Opportunities for employment of seafarers would be particularly valuable.

9.0 STATUS OF TUNA FISHERY DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS

Note that all catch and effort estimates in this report are provisional only. Additional data processing is required to further refine these estimates.

9.1 LOGSHEET DATA COLLECTION AND VERIFICATION

Tuvalu Fisheries Department continued to receive catch logsheets from foreign and domestic flagged vessels at the end of each trip. There is a lot of improvement on the logsheet coverage from all gears in Tuvalu EEZ, mainly due upon the recruitment of a new data entry officer. However, the Fisheries Department still faces issues with foreign fishing companies in late submission of longline logsheets. Enforcement needs to be strengthened, and misreporting on logsheets is suspected in some cases. Penalties for late submission and misreporting need to apply in order to avoid delays in data collection and verification process. The extent of annual coverage of operational catch/effort; port sampling and observer data for the Tuvalu national fishing fleet is shown below (Table 8). The coverage of port sampling still needs to be confirmed, but is believed to be comprehensive.

Table 8: Estimated annual coverage of operational catch/effort, port sampling and observer data (sea days) from Tuvalu National fleet in 2018. **Provisional estimates.

| Data Type | Purse seine coverage rate (%) | Longline coverage rate (%) |
|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Logsheets | 100% | 100% |
| Observer | 100% | 11% |
| Port Sampling | N/A | N/A |

9.2 OBSERVER PROGRAMME

In 2018 there was only one new observer recruited and trained on sub a regional training course in Santo, Vanuatu. The total number of Tuvalu active observers was 79 (78male & 1 female). Included these observers are 29 Certified as Debriefers who can now assist in the debriefing process, 4 are debriefer assessors and 67 are Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) chain of custody observers. There were 2 observers are eligible for Cross Endorsed trips into the IATTC area.

Table (below) shows that in 2018 the Tuvalu national observer program saw a small decrease in both the number of trips and seadays. However, for deployments organized by PNA, the number of trips and sea days increased. Placements under the US Treaty remained at a low level. Overall the number of trips and seadays for Tuvaluan observers increased slightly in 2018 compared to 2017.

Table 9: Observer trips and sea days 2017-2018 by Regional arrangement

| ARRANGEMENT | 2017 | | 2018 | |
|-----------------------|-------|----------|-------|---------|
| | TRIPS | SEA DAYS | TRIPS | SEADAYS |
| TV OBSERVER PROGRAMME | 184 | 5429 | 187 | 5330 |
| PNA | 97 | 2841 | 114 | 3211 |
| FFA | 10 | 300 | 8 | 313 |
| TOTAL | 291 | 8570 | 309 | 8854 |

10.0 CMM REPORTING

| CMM REFERENCE | RESPONSE | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| CMM 2005-03 [North Pacific Albacore], Para 4 | There was no catch of NPA by the Tuvalu flagged LL vessels north of the equator. | | | | | | |
| CMM 2006-04 [South West Stripped Marlin], Para 4 | There is one Tuvalu vessel recorded fishing south of 15 degrees south and no striped marlin catches | | | | | | |
| CMM 2009-03 [Swordfish], Para 8 | There is no SWO that were caught in the Convention Area south of 20°S | | | | | | |
| CMM 2009-06 [Transshipment], Para 11 (ANNEX II) | Total transshipment data of 11,260mt and 16 number of transshipments in 2018 for Tuvalu flagged vessel. | | | | | | |
| | a) offloaded and received; | b) transhipped in port, transhipped at sea in areas of national jurisdiction, and transhipped beyond areas of national jurisdiction | c) transhipped inside the Convention Area and transhipped outside the Convention Area; | d) caught inside the Convention Area and caught outside the Convention Area; | e) Species | f) Product Form | g) Fishing gear |
| | Offload 11,260mt | In Funafuti, Christmas Island & Majuro Port | Inside the CA | Inside the CA | SKJ (9,543mt) | FROZEN | PS |
| | In Funafuti, Christmas | Inside the CA | Inside the CA | YFT (1,377mt) | FROZEN | PS | |

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|--|--|---------------|---------------|-------------|--------|----|
| | Island & Majuro Port | | | | | |
| | In Funafuti , Christmas Island & Majuro Port | Inside the CA | Inside the CA | BET (340mt) | FROZEN | PS |

(2) the **number of transhipments** involving highly migratory fish stocks covered by this measure by fishing vessels that is responsible for reporting against, broken down by:

| a) offloaded and received | b) transhipped in port, transhipped at sea in areas of national jurisdiction, and transhipped beyond areas of national jurisdiction | c) transhipped inside the Convention Area and transhipped outside the Convention Area | d) caught inside the Convention Area and caught outside the Convention Area | e) fishing gear |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|-----------------|
| Offload 16 | In Funafuti, Christmas Island & Majuro Port | Inside CA | Inside CA | PS |

CMM 2010-07
[Sharks], Para 4

These key sharks' species were recorded are blue sharks, mako sharks, oceanic whitetip shark, porbeagle shark, silky shark and thresher shark (Vulpinus).

| Gear | Flag | Species | Fate | Catch (n) |
|------|------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| LL | TV | Blue shark | Discarded/Released | 3 |
| LL | TV | Oceanic whitetip Shark | Discarded/Released | 13 |
| LL | TV | Silky shark | Discarded/Released | 5 |
| LL | TV | Shortfin Mako | Discarded/Released | 1 |
| PS | TV | Great Hammerhead | Discarded/Released | 3 |
| PS | TV | Oceanic whitetip shark | Discarded/Released | 5 |
| PS | TV | Silky shark | Discarded/Released | 71 |

LL:

Observed number=23; Retained - 0%, Discarded – 21.6%, Unknown - 1%

PS:

Observed number =79; Retained – 0%, Discarded – 77.5%, Unknown – 0%

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| CMM 2011-03 [Impact of PS fishing on cetacean], Para 3 | There is no interaction recorded by the Masters of a Tuvalu flagged vessels on cetacean encirclements |
| CMM 2011 – 04 [Oceanic whitetip sharks], Para 3 | LL: Observed number =13, estimates of 118 OCS (Alive - 61.5%, Dead – 38.5%) PS: Observed number =5, estimates of 7 OCS (Alive – 60%, Dead - 40%) |
| CMM 2012-04 [Whale sharks] | There is no reported data on an event that a whale shark encircled in the purse seine net |
| CMM 2013-08 [Silky sharks] | LL: No of observed =5, estimates of 45 with 40% recorded dead on discarding PS: Observed number = 71, estimates of 103 with 55% recorded as dead upon discarding. |
| Observer coverage (WCPFC 11 decision – para 484(b)) | The observer coverage of 11% on longline vessel. Tuvalu observers used sea days. Details on this is in the Part 1 report under the Status of Tuna fishery data collection systems |
| CMM 2015-02 [South Pacific Albacore], Para 4 | Addressed through the regular provision of operational catch/effort logsheet data to SPC, who automatically include these data in the WCPFC databases, as per our authorization. |
| CMM 2017-06 [Seabirds] | There is no report by observers on the interaction with seabirds, see below for full tables on mitigation. |

CMM 2018-03: [Seabirds] Annex 2. Guidelines for reporting templates for Part 1 report

The following tables should be included in the annual Part 1 country reports, summarizing the most recent five years.

Table x: Effort, observed and estimated seabird captures by fishing year for [CCM] [South of 30°S; 25°S-30°S; North of 23°N; or 23°N – 25°S¹]. For each year, the table gives the total number of hooks; the number of observed hooks; observer coverage (the percentage of hooks that were observed); the number of observed captures (both dead and alive); and the capture rate (captures per thousand hooks).

| Year | Fishing effort | | | | Observed seabird captures | |
|------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Number of vessels | Number of hooks | Observed hooks | % hooks observed | Number | Rate ² |
| 2014 | 2 | 1730472 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2015 | 2 | 2084701 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 1 | 1530286 | 225262 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| 2017 | 1 | 1933574 | 121395 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 1 | 1322860 | 111430 | 8 | 0 | 0 |

¹ Insert ‘North of 23°N’, ‘South of 30°S’, ‘25°S-30°S’ or ‘23°N – 250°S’. For CCMs fishing in all areas, provide separate tables for each area.

² Provide data as captures per one thousand hooks.

Table y: Proportion of mitigation types¹ used by the fleet in past five years 2014 to 2018.

| | Combination of Mitigation Measures | Proportion of observed effort using mitigation measures | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---|-----------|--------------|---------------|--|--|
| | | South of 30°S | 25°S-30°S | 25°S to 23°N | North of 23°N | | |
| | No mitigation measures | - | - | 100 | - | | |
| Options required south of 25°S | TL + NS | - | - | - | - | | |
| | TL + WB | - | - | - | - | | |
| | NS + WB | - | - | - | - | | |
| | TL + WB + NS | - | - | - | - | | |
| | HS | - | - | - | - | | |
| Other options 25°S-30°S | WB | - | - | - | - | | |
| | TL | | | | | | |
| Other options north of 23°N | SS/BC/WB/DSLS | | | | | | |
| | SS/BC/WB/(MOD or BDB) | | | | | | |
| Provide any other combination of mitigation measures here | | | | | | | |
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| Totals (must equal 100%) | | | 100 | | | |
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¹ TL = tori line, NS = night setting, WB = weighted branch lines, SS = side setting, BC = bird curtain, BDB = blue dyed bait, DSLS = deep setting line shooter, MOD = management of offal discharge, HS = hook-shielding device.

Table z: Number of observed seabirds captures in [CCM] longline fisheries, 2012, by species and area.

| Species | South of 30°S | 25°S-30°S | North of 23°N | 23°N –25°S 25°S | Total |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------|-------|
| E.g. Antipodean albatross | | | | | |
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