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**(North Pacific albacore catch and effort data)**

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**Attachment C, Annex A (NC7 Summary Report)**

**Table 1.** Average annual catch of North Pacific albacore (metric tonnes)

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| **CCM** | **Data pertain to WCPFC Area only or entire N Pacific?** | **Fisheries with ANY catch of NP albacore** | **"Fishing for" NP albacore? (Y/N)** | **2006-2010 average annual catch** |
| **Canada** | N Pacific total catches | Albacore troll | Y | 5,899 |
| Total catches for Canada: | 5,899 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 5,899 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 100 |
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| **China** | CA only | Longline |  | 393 |
| Total catches for China: |  |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
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| **Cook Islands** | N Pacific total catches | Albacore troll | Y | 31 |
|  | N Pacific total catches | Longline | Y | 8 |
| Total catches for Cook Islands: | 39 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 39 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 100 |
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| **Japan** | CA only | LL Coast | Y/N | 17,098 |
|  |  | LL DW | Y/N | 4,207 |
|  |  | PL Coast | N | 80 |
|  |  | PL DW | Y | 24,970 |
|  |  | PS Coast | N | 11 |
|  |  | PS DW | N | 1,840 |
|  |  | GN  | N | 455 |
|  |  | Troll | N | 470 |
|  |  | Set Net | N | 50 |
|  |  | Others | N | 37 |
| Total catches for Japan: | 49,218 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 46,275 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 94 |
| NOTE:1. “2006-2010 average annual catch ” is preliminary.
2. "Y/N": this category vessels includes two types; “ fishes for NP ALB“ and “non targeting”.
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| **Korea** | CA only | LL DW | Y | 17 |
|  | N Pacific | LL DW | N | 160 |
| Total catches for Korea: | 177 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 17 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 10 |
| NOTE: 1. Three LL DW participated in fishing for NP Albacore in 2007 and 2008, and the catch was 87 tons.

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| **Philippines** | N Pacific | others | N | 75 |
| Total catches for Philippines (average for 2009-2011): | 75 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 0 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 0 |
| NOTE: Catches are mainly from Hook-and-Line Gear |
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| **Chinese Taipei** | N Pacific | albacore LL | Y | 2,548 |
|  | N Pacific | LL others | N | 552 |
| Total catches for Chinese Taipei: | 3,100 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 2,548 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 82 |
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| **United States** | N Pacific | Albacore troll | Y | 12,344 |
|  |  | Longline | N | 288 |
|  |  | Gillnet | N | 3 |
|  |  | Pole and line | N | 0 |
|  |  | Purse seine | N | 23 |
|  |  | Other | N | 577 |
| Total catches for United States: | 13,236 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 12,344 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 93 |
| NOTE: 1) These USA (2006-2010) data may not be confirmed from figures available to the Secretariat. 2) US response: See all our annual reports under CMM 2005-03, the latest of which is dated 30 April 2012. |
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| **Vanuatu** | CA only | LL |  | 1,155 |
| Total catches for Vanuatu: | 1,155 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  1,155 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 100 |
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| **Belize** | CA only | LL | Y | 95 |
| Total catches for Belize: | 95 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 95 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 100 |
| NOTE: catch unsegregated by area |
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| **Federated States of Micronesia** | CA only | LL | N | N/A |
| Total catches for FSM: |  |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| NOTE: Commenced fishery in 2009 |
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| **Marshall Islands** | CA only | LL | N | N/A |
| Total catches for RMI: |  |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| NOTE: Commenced fishery in 2008 |  |
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| **Kiribati** |  |  |  |  |
| Total catches for Kiribati: |  |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
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| **Mexico** |  |  |  |  |
| Total catches for Mexico: |  |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: |  |
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| **Vietnam** | EEZ only | LL | N | 13 |
| Total catches for Vietnam (average of 2000-2011): | 13 |
| Catches in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 0 |
| % of total catch in fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore: | 0 |
| Note: Catches are mainly from LL only; and there is also possibility of wrongly identify by enumerators to account yellowfin and bigeye as albacore |  |
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**Table 2**. Fishing effort fishing for North Pacific albacore (ALB)

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| CCM | Area[[1]](#footnote-1) | Fishery[[2]](#footnote-2) | 2002-04 Average | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| No. of vessels | Vessel days | No. of vessels | Vessel days | No. of vessels | Vessel days | No. of vessels | Vessel days | No. of vessels | Vessel days | No. of vessels | Vessel days | No. of vessels | Vessel days |
| Canada[[3]](#footnote-3) | N Pacific | ALB troll |  | 8,898 | 213 | 8,578 | 174 | 6,277 | 207 | 6,961 | 134 | 5,919 | 138 | 6,553 | 159 | 7,592 |
|  | CA[[4]](#footnote-4) only | ALB troll |  | 76 | 2 | 111 | 2 | 105 | 1 | 59 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| China |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cook Islands | N Pacific | ALB troll | 4 | 183 | 2 | 240 | 2 | 171 | 1 | 57 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | N Pacific | LL | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 37 | 1 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Japan[[5]](#footnote-5) | CA only | LL Coast | 296 | 18,177 | 289 | 17,072 | 287 | 18,657 | 273 | 18,092 | 276 | 18,243 | 280 | 20,306 | 286 | 23,572 |
|  |  | LL DW | 633 | 4,931 | 591 | 3,906 | 538 | 4,082 | 494 | 4,220 | 480 | 4,590 | 361 | 3,448 | 342 | 3,553 |
|  |  | PL DW | 141 | 3,521 | 134 | 2,298 | 125 | 1,956 | 106 | 3,375 | 104 | 1,962 | 104 | 2,295 | 101 | 1,993 |
| Korea[[6]](#footnote-6) | CA only | LL DW |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 268 | 3 | 107 |  |  |  |  |
| Philippines |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chinese Taipei[[7]](#footnote-7) | N Pacific | ALB LL | 25 |  | 23 | 2,363 | 24 | 4,156 | 21 | 3,360 | 18 | 2,603 | 13 | 2,082 | 20 | 2,093 |
| USA | N Pacific | ALB troll |  | 24,994 |  | 24,731 |  | 22,006 |  | 24,000 |  | 24,994 |  | 25,429 |  | 25,486 |
| Vanuatu | N Pacific |  | 15 | 3,315 | 28 | 5,096 | 29 | 5,276 | 33 | 9,999 | 15 | 3,195 | 14 | 2,548 | 12 | 1,184 |
| Belize[[8]](#footnote-8) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 40 |  | 49 |  |
| FSM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kiribati |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mexico |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vietnam |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Data pertain to WCPFC Area only or entire N Pacific? [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Fisheries "fishing for" NP albacore [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. NOTE: For Canada no fishing inside the CA since 2005 [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Convention Area [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Japanese albacore data are not segregated by north or south pacific with respect to effort or number of vessels [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. Korea’s fishing effort “fishing for” NP albacore occurred in 2007 and 2008, and non-target fishing effort occurred every year in the North Pacific. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. This data just indicates the fishery fishing for NP albacore only [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. Vessel number and effort was given for all species [↑](#footnote-ref-8)