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**Report on Sharks (2017)**  
**Submitted by Japan**

**Data for Catches of major shark species caught by Japanese longline fishing vessels**

Year	BSH	SMA
2008	875	173
2009	1,170	195
2010	1,218	223
2011	1,653	273
2012	1,327	141
2013	949	101
2014	895	108
2015	815	72
2016	753	51
2017	717	84

Unit: tonnage

**Effort by Gear Type**

Year	days	hooks
2008	17,310	44,546,645
2009	15,857	41,517,157
2010	18,067	47,807,045
2011	19,674	52,194,175
2012	20,934	55,586,547
2013	18,599	48,824,504
2014	15,688	40,735,394
2015	13,626	35,290,224
2016	11,827	30,909,709
2017	10,698	27,891,982

**Landing Data**

Total landing data is the same as catch data because all catches are landed.

## Trade Data

Import (t)	2015	2016	2017
Singapore	194	191	0
Spain	193	214	214
China	77	72	7
Republic of Korea	20	-	-
New Zealand	16	13	2
Chinese Taipei	10	41	20
Malaysia	3	-	-
Viet Nam	2	2	0
Indonesia	1	1	0
Portugal	1	-	-
Philippines	-	-	-
UK	-	-	-
Hong Kong	-	-	-
Mexico	-	1	0
Argentina	-	1	0
Total	517	536	53

Export (t)	2015	2015	2017
South Africa	1,797	1205	1736
Islas Canarias	1,654	2076	1921
Chinese Taipei	644	1069	907
Viet Nam	290	148	56
Peru	263	383	390
Indonesia	181	42	19
Republic of Korea	161	153	104
Sri Lanka	142	76	0
Hong Kong	106	134	104
Panama	40	50	19
Singapore	28	50	22
Colombia	27	12	25
Senegal	26	-	-
China	25	24	28
Oman	25	-	-
New Zealand	17	-	-
Mauritius	15	-	-
Austria	0	-	-
Uruguay	-	-	-
Thailand	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-
Total	5,441	5,422	5,253

### **Implementation of This Resolution**

- In accordance with the FAO IPOA-sharks, Japan established and has been implementing its National Action Plan on sharks in 2001, with a revision in 2009.
- Fisheries Agency of Japan (FAJ) has made a partial amendment to its rules in order to comply with this resolution such as full utilization. With the official gazette, FAJ has informed all fishermen and other interested parties of this amendment of the rules.
- In 2015, there was nothing particular to be reported.