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**2022 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC OBSERVER REPORT FOR JAPAN  
LONGLINE FISHERY IN THE ANTIGUA CONVENTION AREA**

## FLEET INFORMATION (vessels &gt;20m LOA)

		Both set types combined						Shallow sets (<15 HPB/HBF <sup>1</sup> or <100m max hook depth)						Deep sets (≥15 HPB/HBF or ≥100m max hook depth)					
		From			To			From			To			From			To		
Period covered	Date range	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
				1	JAN	2022	31	DEC	2022	21	MAY	2022	31	AUG	2022	1	JAN	2022	31
Area fished	Longitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
		78	8	W	150	0	W	79	58	W	86	0	W	78	8	W	150	0	W
Area fished	Latitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
		9	57	N	33	45	S	24	55	S	31	52	S	9	57	N	33	45	S
		Total Fleet	Observed		% observed		Total Fleet	Observed		% observed		Total Fleet	Observed		% observed				
No. of vessels that fished		30					1					30							
No. of trips		52					1					51							
No. of effective days fishing		4,508					101					4,407							
No. of sets		4,509					101					4,408							
No. of hooks (in thousands) (If unknown, approx. no. of hooks/set, using a *)		11,913					271					11,641							
Predominant <sup>2</sup> hook type/size (IATTC <a href="#">IATTC code</a> )																			
Predominant bait type <sup>3</sup>		SQ & F						SQ & F				SQ & F							

<sup>1</sup> Hooks per basket / Hooks between floats

<sup>2</sup> "Predominant" means most common, i.e., >50%. [Click here for IATTC hook codes.](#)

<sup>3</sup> Bait code: SQ – squid; F – fishes (e.g. Scomber spp.); A – artificial lure (e.g. plastic jig)

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	<a href="#">Click to add a seabird species</a>																		
<b>For additional species caught, enter species code and species in rows below</b>																			
	Antipodian albatross ( <i>Diomedea antipodensis</i> )																		
	Short-tailed albatross ( <i>Phoebastria albatrus</i> )																		
<b>Billfishes</b>																			
MLS	Striped marlin ( <i>Kajikia audax</i> )																		
SSP	Shortbill spearfish ( <i>Tetrapturus angustirostris</i> )																		
BUM	Blue marlin ( <i>Makaira nigricans</i> )																		
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