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**REVIEW OF DOLPHIN MORTALITY LIMITS (DMLs) FOR 2023 AND 2024**

This report presents details about the utilization of Dolphin Mortality Limits (DMLs) in 2023 and 2024.

The overall limit for the fleet, each year, has been 5,000, and the portion available for distribution 4,900; the difference constitutes the Reserve DML Allocation (RDA), utilized at the Director’s discretion for extraordinary cases.

The situation for 2023 was as follows:

Type of DML (vessel limit)	Allocated	Utilized prior 1 April 1 October	Renounced	Exempted due to <i>force majeure</i>	Forfeited
Full-year (43)	113	98	2	13 <sup>1</sup>	0
Second-semester	0				
RDA	3 <sup>2</sup>	2	0	0	1

The current situation for 2024 (as of 8 August) is as follows:

Type of DML (vessel limit)	Allocated	Utilized prior to Apr-1	Renounced	Exempted due to <i>force majeure</i>	Forfeited
Full-year (41)	119	94	3 <sup>3</sup>	16 <sup>4</sup>	6
Second-semester	0				
RDA	2 <sup>5</sup>	N/A	0	0	0

<sup>1</sup> 5 DML were not utilized.

<sup>2</sup> 3 DML assigned: two utilized; one not utilized.

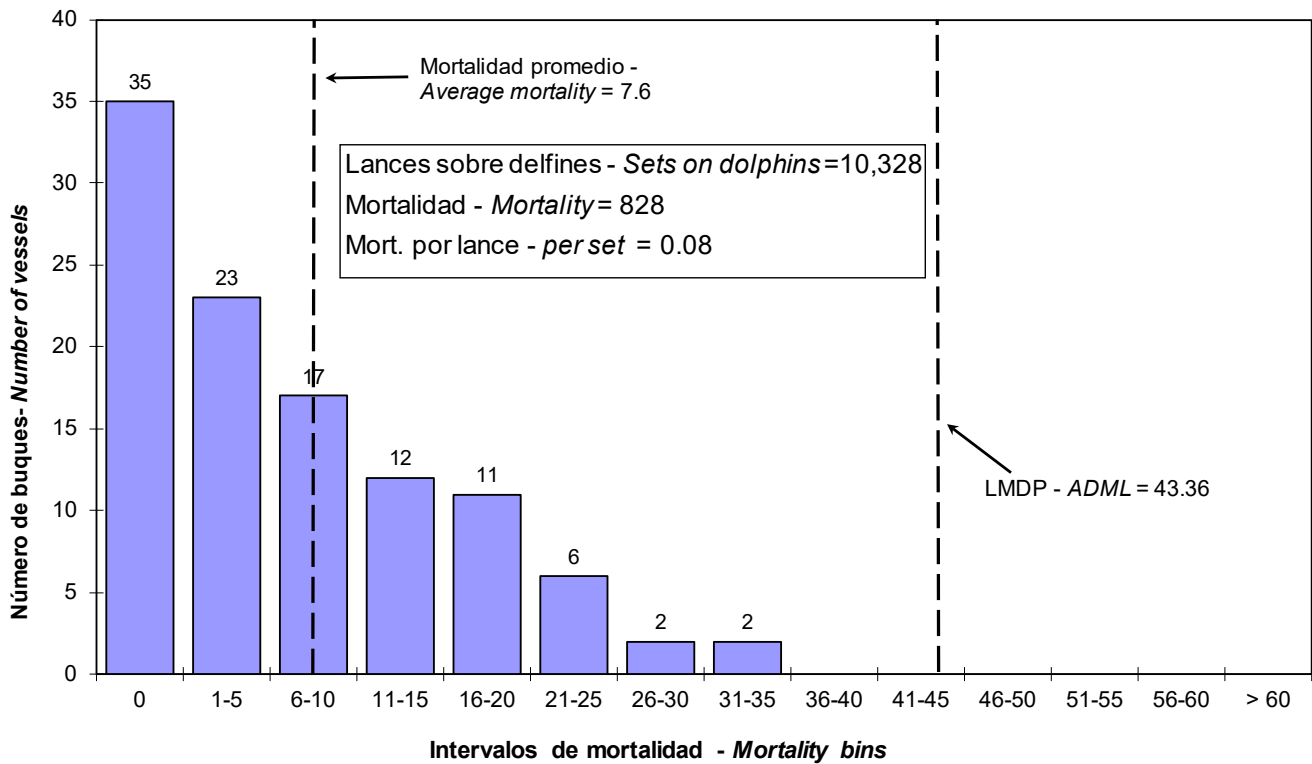
<sup>3</sup> 5 additional vessels voluntarily renounced to its DML in July.

<sup>4</sup> 14 vessels’ DML have not been utilized as of 8 August.

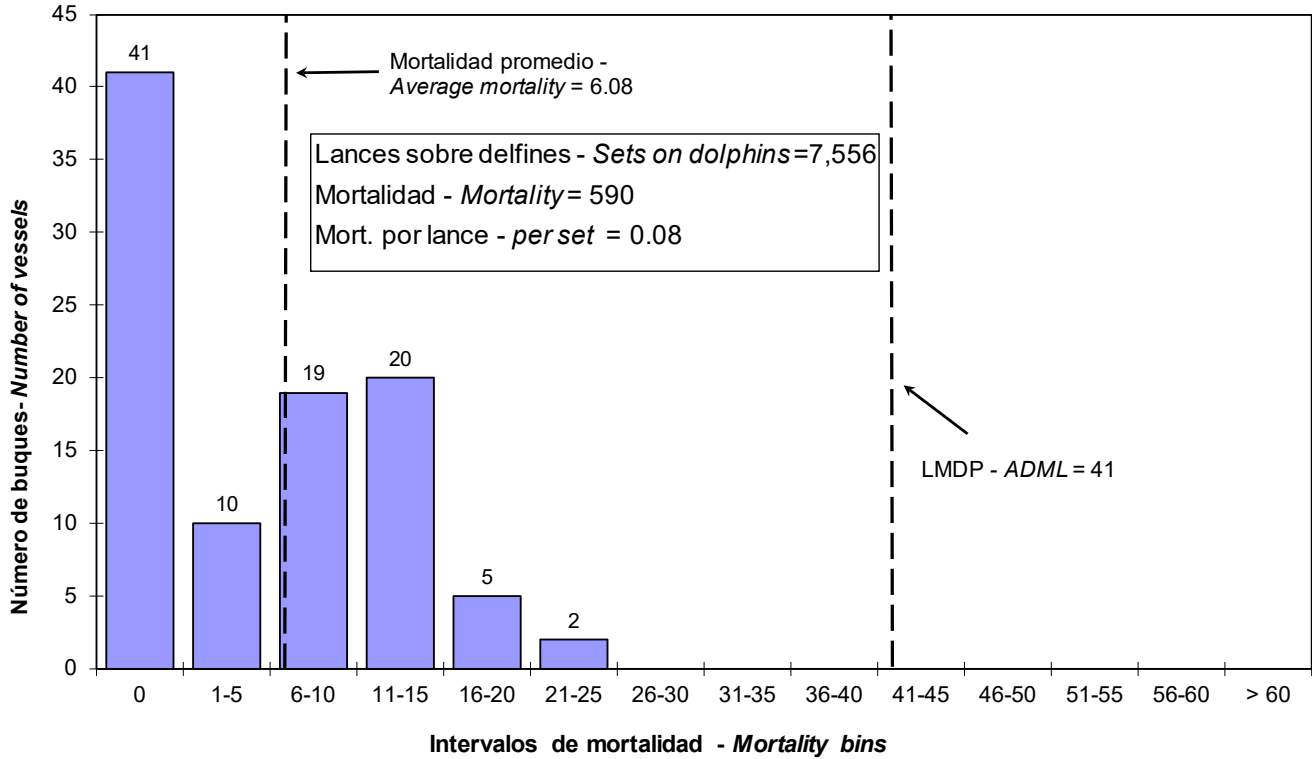
<sup>5</sup> 2 DML of 13 dolphins were assigned.

The figures presented below illustrate the utilization of DMLs by category of cumulative mortality per vessel, together with statistics such as number of sets on dolphins, total and average mortality per vessel and per set.

**MORTALIDAD CAUSADA POR BUQUES CON LMD - 2023**  
**MORTALITY CAUSED BY DML VESSELS - 2023**



**MORTALIDAD CAUSADA POR BUQUES CON LMD - 2024**  
**MORTALITY CAUSED BY DML VESSELS - 2024**



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