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**2023 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC OBSERVER REPORT FOR CHINESE TAIPEI
LONGLINE FISHERY IN THE ANTIGUA CONVENTION AREA**

FLEET INFORMATION (vessels >20m LOA)

		Both set types combined						Shallow sets (<15 HPB/HBF ¹ or <100m max hook depth)						Deep sets (≥15 HPB/HBF or ≥100m max hook depth)					
Period covered	Date range	From			To			From			To			From			To		
		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
		1	JAN	2023	21	OCT	2023							1	JAN	2023	21	OCT	2023
Area fished	Longitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
		149	56	W	129	1	W							149	56	W	129	1	W
Area fished	Latitude	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.	Deg.	Min.	Hem.
		28	59	S	1	42	S							28	59	S	1	42	S
		Total Fleet	Observed		% observed		Total Fleet	Observed		% observed		Total Fleet	Observed		% observed				
No. of vessels that fished		102	4		4		17					85	4		5				
No. of trips		156	4		3		27					129	4		3				
No. of effective days fishing		10256	220		2		828					9428	220		2				
No. of sets		10256	220		2		828					9428	220		2				
No. of hooks (in thousands) (If unknown, approx. no. of hooks/set, using a *)		28871	466		2		2539					26332	466		2				
Predominant ² hook type/size (IATTC (IATTC code))		CIRCLE/4.6	CIRCLE/4.6				CIRCLE/4.6					CIRCLE/4.6	CIRCLE/4.6						
Predominant bait type ³		F	F				F					F	F						

¹ Hooks per basket / Hooks between floats

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

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

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1. After all observer trips data retrieved completely, the observer coverage rate in 2023 is estimated to reach 9.39% of effective days fishing.

2. Please be noted that the information contained is still preliminary.

Click to add a seabird species										
For additional species caught, enter species code and species in rows below										
Billfishes										
BIL	Marlin, sailfish, spearfish, nei (Istiophoridae, Xiphiidae)		1						1	
SWO	Swordfish (<i>Xiphias gladius</i>)	1	7					1	7	

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