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Effort Management

Under the Interim Measures Vanuatu has a limit of total fishing capacity of 31,220 GRT. This reflects the tonnage of 4 trawlers that operated each year in the fishery between 2003 and 2010.

In 2013, only two Vanuatu trawlers were deployed to the fishery with a total capacity of 15,610 GRT.

Catch Management

The jack mackerel catch limit for Vanuatu vessels in 2013 was 21,116 tonnes. The actual catch taken was 14,977 tonnes. In addition, 2,100 tonnes of the Vanuatu catch limit was transferred for the 2013 season to the Republic of Korea.

Data Collection and Reporting

Monthly catch reports and transshipment data were provided within the required timeframe. VMS data and a list of active vessels were also provided.

Verified annual catch data and tow-by-tow data were provided to the Secretariat for 2012.

An annual report and 2012 observer data were provided to the 2013 Science Working Group meeting.

Monitoring and Control

VMS is fitted on both Vanuatu flagged trawlers and on the three Vanuatu flagged carrier vessels.

Observer data on the length frequencies of the catch were collected for 173 fishing days in the 2013 season out of a total 241 days fished, giving a observer coverage rate of 72%.