
Report on the implementation of the 2012 Interim Measures for Pelagic Fisheries for the year 2012

Reporting country: China

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Effort management measures:

China authorized 13 vessels with a total gross tonnage of 74516 MT to fish Chilean jack mackerel (CJM) in accordance with the level of total GT for China adopted in the 2012 Interim Measures.

Catch management:

In 2012, there were 3 Chinese vessels actively fishing for CJM in the high seas of SPO and had total catch of 13011.86t, reach to 79.54% catch reduction from that of 2010 (China had 63606t total catch in 2010) and lower than the 60% of 2010 catch, which adopted in the 2012 revised Interim Measures (2012RIM).

Data collection and reporting:

China provided verified data collected, such as actively fishing vessels in 2012, authorized fishing vessels in 2013, monthly catch report, quarterly VMS and transshipment data and national report in accordance with the 2012RIM and SPRFMO data standard.

Monitoring (observer' coverage) and control measures:

Chinese vessels fishing for CJM were dispatched 2 observers on board in 2012, namely "Kai Fu", "Kaili". The coverage rate of observers is 67% in accordance with a minimum of ten percent scientific observer coverage of trips adopted by the 2012RIM.

All vessels flying the flag of China engaged in the CJM fishery are equipped with a vessel monitoring system. The biological data and environment data were measured and collected on board by the fishery scientific observers.