

**The Hawaii - California Longline Limited-entry Fishery
Quarterly Report
1 October - 31 December, 2016¹**

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This quarterly report for the period 1 October - 31 December, 2016, contains summary data summaries of fishing effort and catch statistics as reported on longline log sheets for the Hawaii - California longline limited-entry fishery. Data in this report originate from the PIFSC Information Management System (Oracle) table LLDS_REPORT_STATS_RFMO_HC, representing preliminary data received as of 15 March 2018. Catch and effort statistics are based on date of longline haul. When a statistic (number of vessels, trips) involves dates of haul in two summary periods (i.e., years, semi-annual, quarters), the item is counted in both summary periods. Thus, a trip total is for “partial and completed” trips. As such, these statistics are not additive (i.e., sum of four quarters is not the total for the year, etc.).

The following tables show fishery statistics for the stated time period, area, and set type, and includes effort (number of vessels, trips, sets, and hooks set), and for each listed species, organized by pelagic management unit species (PMUS) groups of billfish, shark, tuna, and other, the table includes the number of fish caught, kept, and released, and the catch per unit effort (CPUE), measured as the number of fish caught per 1,000 hooks.

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Table 1. For the period 1 October - 31 December, 2016, Hawaii and California longline limited-entry fisheries quarterly statistics for all fishing areas and all fishing categories (set types), including effort (number of vessels, trips, sets, and hooks set), and for each listed species, organized by pelagic management unit species (PMUS) groups of billfish, shark, tuna, and other, along with the number of fish caught, kept, and released, and the catch per unit effort (CPUE, number per 1,000 hooks, calculated as the sum of fish caught divided by the sum of hooks set). Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

Report Coverage

Time Period 1 October - 31 December, 2016
 Set Types All sets
 Fishing Area All Areas

Number of vessels active	130
Number of trips (partial or completed)	442
Number of sets	5,380
Number of hooks set	14,168,653

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	1,710	1,697	13	0.12
Striped marlin	3,351	3,327	24	0.24
Shortbill spearfish	6,585	6,486	99	0.46
Swordfish	1,976	1,808	168	0.14
Other billfishes	272	271	1	0.02
Total	13,894	13,589	305	0.98
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	26,283	2	26,281	1.86
Mako sharks	1,234	207	1,027	0.09
Thresher sharks	2,095	15	2,080	0.15
Oceanic whitetip shark	425	0	425	0.03
Silky shark	188	0	188	0.01
Other Sharks	231	1	230	0.02
Total	30,456	225	30,231	2.15
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	242	240	2	0.02
Bigeye tuna	64,028	62,821	1,207	4.52
Yellowfin tuna	21,210	20,886	324	1.50
Bluefin tuna	0	0	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	6,073	5,993	80	0.43
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	91,553	89,940	1,613	6.46
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	15,259	15,126	133	1.08
Moonfish	4,916	4,886	30	0.35
Wahoo	5,792	5,772	20	0.41
Oilfish	6,384	5,934	450	0.45
Pomfret	19,730	19,579	151	1.39
Total	52,081	51,297	784	3.68
Total PMUS	187,984	155,051	32,933	13.27
Total Non-PMUS	1,829	110	1,719	0.13
Total All Species	189,813	155,161	34,652	13.40

Table 2. For the period 1 October - 31 December, 2016, Hawaii longline limited-entry fishery quarterly statistics for fishing within the U.S. EEZ (Main Hawaiian Islands, Northwest Hawaiian Islands, or the Pacific Remote Islands, and with all fishing categories (set types), including effort (number of vessels, trips, sets, and hooks set), and for each listed species, organized by pelagic management unit species (PMUS) groups of billfish, shark, tuna, and other, along with the number of fish caught, kept, and released, and the catch per unit effort (CPUE, number per 1,000 hooks, calculated as the sum of fish caught divided by the sum of hooks set). Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

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Time Period 1 October - 31 December, 2016
 Set Types All sets
 Fishing Area Inside U.S. EEZ

Number of vessels active	111
Number of trips (partial or completed)	262
Number of sets	2,156
Number of hooks set	5,543,124

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	746	745	1	0.13
Striped marlin	1,479	1,475	4	0.27
Shortbill spearfish	2,545	2,509	36	0.46
Swordfish	395	318	77	0.07
Other billfishes	145	145	0	0.03
Total	5,310	5,192	118	0.96
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	11,418	0	11,418	2.06
Mako sharks	428	66	362	0.08
Thresher sharks	382	6	376	0.07
Oceanic whitetip shark	140	0	140	0.03
Silky shark	107	0	107	0.02
Other Sharks	119	0	119	0.02
Total	12,594	72	12,522	2.27
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	94	93	1	0.02
Bigeye tuna	22,130	21,600	530	3.99
Yellowfin tuna	7,047	6,886	161	1.27
Bluefin tuna	0	0	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	1,672	1,638	34	0.30
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	30,943	30,217	726	5.58
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	5,064	5,041	23	0.91
Moonfish	1,042	1,039	3	0.19
Wahoo	1,707	1,700	7	0.31
Oilfish	2,158	2,035	123	0.39
Pomfret	6,677	6,616	61	1.20
Total	16,648	16,431	217	3.00
Total PMUS	65,495	51,912	13,583	11.82
Total Non-PMUS	55	50	5	0.01
Total All Species	65,550	51,962	13,588	11.83

Table 3. For the period 1 October - 31 December, 2016, Hawaii and California longline limited-entry fisheries quarterly statistics for fishing outside the U.S. EEZ and with all fishing categories (set types), including effort (number of vessels, trips, sets, and hooks set), and for each listed species, organized by pelagic management unit species (PMUS) groups of billfish, shark, tuna, and other, along with the number of fish caught, kept, and released, and the catch per unit effort (CPUE, number per 1,000 hooks, calculated as the sum of fish caught divided by the sum of hooks set). Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

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Time Period 1 October - 31 December, 2016
 Set Types All sets
 Fishing Area Outside U.S. EEZ

Number of vessels active	127
Number of trips (partial or completed)	343
Number of sets	3,224
Number of hooks set	8,625,529

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	964	952	12	0.11
Striped marlin	1,872	1,852	20	0.22
Shortbill spearfish	4,040	3,977	63	0.47
Swordfish	1,581	1,490	91	0.18
Other billfishes	127	126	1	0.01
Total	8,584	8,397	187	1.00
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	14,865	2	14,863	1.72
Mako sharks	806	141	665	0.09
Thresher sharks	1,713	9	1,704	0.20
Oceanic whitetip shark	285	0	285	0.03
Silky shark	81	0	81	0.01
Other Sharks	112	1	111	0.01
Total	17,862	153	17,709	2.07
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	148	147	1	0.02
Bigeye tuna	41,898	41,221	677	4.86
Yellowfin tuna	14,163	14,000	163	1.64
Bluefin tuna	0	0	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	4,401	4,355	46	0.51
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	60,610	59,723	887	7.03
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	10,195	10,085	110	1.18
Moonfish	3,874	3,847	27	0.45
Wahoo	4,085	4,072	13	0.47
Oilfish	4,226	3,899	327	0.49
Pomfret	13,053	12,963	90	1.51
Total	35,433	34,866	567	4.11
Total PMUS	122,489	103,139	19,350	14.20
Total Non-PMUS	1,774	60	1,714	0.21
Total All Species	124,263	103,199	21,064	14.41

Table 4. For the period 1 October - 31 December, 2016, Hawaii and California longline limited-entry fisheries quarterly statistics for all fishing areas and with shallow set type, including effort (number of vessels, trips, sets, and hooks set), and for each listed species, organized by pelagic management unit species (PMUS) groups of billfish, shark, tuna, and other, along with the number of fish caught, kept, and released, and the catch per unit effort (CPUE, number per 1,000 hooks, calculated as the sum of fish caught divided by the sum of hooks set). Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

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Time Period 1 October - 31 December, 2016
 Set Types Shallow sets
 Fishing Area All Areas

Number of vessels active	4
Number of trips (partial or completed)	8
Number of sets	92
Number of hooks set	104,600

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	0	0	0	0.00
Striped marlin	5	1	4	0.05
Shortbill spearfish	1	0	1	0.01
Swordfish	1,115	1,061	54	10.66
Other billfishes	0	0	0	0.00
Total	1,121	1,062	59	10.72
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	1,655	0	1,655	15.82
Mako sharks	203	26	177	1.94
Thresher sharks	18	0	18	0.17
Oceanic whitetip shark	0	0	0	0.00
Silky shark	0	0	0	0.00
Other Sharks	22	0	22	0.21
Total	1,898	26	1,872	18.15
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	10	9	1	0.10
Bigeye tuna	76	65	11	0.73
Yellowfin tuna	14	9	5	0.13
Bluefin tuna	0	0	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	1	1	0	0.01
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	101	84	17	0.97
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	0	0	0	0.00
Moonfish	142	119	23	1.36
Wahoo	0	0	0	0.00
Oilfish	68	25	43	0.65
Pomfret	4	4	0	0.04
Total	214	148	66	2.05
Total PMUS	3,334	1,320	2,014	31.87
Total Non-PMUS	0	0	0	0.00
Total All Species	3,334	1,320	2,014	31.87

Table 5. For the period 1 October - 31 December, 2016, Hawaii and California longline limited-entry fisheries quarterly statistics for all fishing areas and with deep set type, including effort (number of vessels, trips, sets, and hooks set), and for each listed species, organized by pelagic management unit species (PMUS) groups of billfish, shark, tuna, and other, along with the number of fish caught, kept, and released, and the catch per unit effort (CPUE, number per 1,000 hooks, calculated as the sum of fish caught divided by the sum of hooks set). Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

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Time Period 1 October - 31 December, 2016
 Set Types Deep sets
 Fishing Area All Areas

Number of vessels active	129
Number of trips (partial or completed)	434
Number of sets	5,288
Number of hooks set	14,064,053

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	1,710	1,697	13	0.12
Striped marlin	3,346	3,326	20	0.24
Shortbill spearfish	6,584	6,486	98	0.47
Swordfish	861	747	114	0.06
Other billfishes	272	271	1	0.02
Total	12,773	12,527	246	0.91
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	24,628	2	24,626	1.75
Mako sharks	1,031	181	850	0.07
Thresher sharks	2,077	15	2,062	0.15
Oceanic whitetip shark	425	0	425	0.03
Silky shark	188	0	188	0.01
Other Sharks	209	1	208	0.01
Total	28,558	199	28,359	2.03
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	232	231	1	0.02
Bigeye tuna	63,952	62,756	1,196	4.55
Yellowfin tuna	21,196	20,877	319	1.51
Bluefin tuna	0	0	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	6,072	5,992	80	0.43
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	91,452	89,856	1,596	6.50
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	15,259	15,126	133	1.08
Moonfish	4,774	4,767	7	0.34
Wahoo	5,792	5,772	20	0.41
Oilfish	6,316	5,909	407	0.45
Pomfret	19,726	19,575	151	1.40
Total	51,867	51,149	718	3.69
Total PMUS	184,650	153,731	30,919	13.13
Total Non-PMUS	1,829	110	1,719	0.13
Total All Species	186,479	153,841	32,638	13.26