

OCEANIC FISHERIES PROGRAMME

PUBLIC DOMAIN CATCH AND EFFORT DATA – POLE-AND-LINE

This dataset represents the most complete POLE_AND_LINE data available to the WCPFC that can be disseminated into the public domain in accordance with the current "Rules and Procedures for the Protection, Access to, and Dissemination of Data Compiled by the Commission" ("RAP" - see [http://www.wcpfc.int/pdf/Rules%20and%20Procedures%20\[Data\]%20\[as%20revised%20at%20WCPFC4,%20December%202007\].pdf](http://www.wcpfc.int/pdf/Rules%20and%20Procedures%20[Data]%20[as%20revised%20at%20WCPFC4,%20December%202007].pdf)).

In reference to the RAP (Paragraph 9), cells where effort is less than or equal to the maximum value estimated to represent the activities of two vessels have been removed from the public domain data (the cells are retained with their time/area information, but all catch and effort information in these have been set to zero).

Reference to the Coordinating Working Party No can be found on <http://www.fao.org/cwp-on-fishery-statistics/handbook/general-concepts/major-fishing-areas-general/en/>

DATASET STRUCTURE

Field Name	Picture	Description
YY	N(4)	Year
MM	N(2)	Month
LAT5	C(3)	Latitude. It represents the latitude of the <u>south-west corner</u> of 5° square for these data.
LON5	C(4)	Longitude. It represents the longitude of the <u>south-west corner</u> of 5° square for these data.
CWP_GRID	N(11)	Coordinating Working Party No
DAYS	N(6)	Days fishing and searching (effort).
SKJ_C	N(8, 3)	Skipjack catch in metric tonnes.
YFT_C	N(8, 3)	Yellowfin catch (metric tonnes)
OTH_C	N(8, 3)	Other species catch (metric tonnes)