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Important note:

This report contains preliminary landing and effort data for 2021 for the purpose of assessing balance between fishing capacity and fishing opportunities for 2021, therefore this data should not be considered as final landing statistics.

1. Section A: Description of the fishing fleet segments in relation to fisheries

In accordance with the Article 22 of the Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, Croatia has put in place measures to adjust its fishing capacity with the available resources. This report is prepared in line with the Guidelines provided by the Commission. Croatia acceded to the EU on 1st July 2013, and started immediately applying the measures targeted to balancing of the fleet with resources in 2014. In terms of the assessment of the long-term profitability of the fleet segments, it should be pointed out that the characteristics of the Croatian fleet, in particular small-scale, mean that in most cases the profitability may not be judged based on the incomes from just fishing activity, and hence should be interpreted with caution. As the importance and the sustainability of the small-scale fleet is in the core of the CFP, this is an important element that needs to be considered when assessing the overall fleet capacity.

As the TACs are only applicable for the Bluefin tuna and Mediterranean swordfish in the case of Croatia, the measures related to this particular fleet have been strictly imposed in accordance with the applicable regulations and recommendations of ICCAT. Having said this, Croatian capacity as calculated using the SCRS methodology is in line with the opportunities and is duly communicated to the Commission.

Croatian fleet capacity ceiling was set at the date of accession, and has been fixed for the first time in the Annex II of Regulation (EU) 1380/2013. The ceiling as set in the Annex II is 53.452,00 GT and 426.064,00 kW. The permanent cessation of fishing activities funded under the EFF and EMFF had an effect in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 and resulted with a decrease of the ceiling capacity to 48.759,83 GT and 405.211,48 kW by the end of 2018. As foreseen in the Fleet Report submitted in 2015, permanent cessation of fishing activities was one of the measures under the OP for the EFF and it was implemented in 2015, for PS and DTS fleet segments. In 2016, 2017 and 2018 permanent cessation of fishing activities for PS and DTS segments continued under the EMFF, as was planned in the 2016 and 2017 fleet report action plans. It can be stated that fleet management measures in Croatia are a combination of the capacity management through permanent cessation activity funded by EFF and EMFF including also a strict calculation matching the fishing capacity with the fishing opportunities in tuna fishery, and an array of effort management measures pursuant to regional and national legislation in force.

The figures listed in this report indicate the number of 7.757 vessels in 2021. The ceiling limit set in the Annex II of the Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 includes also the total of 3.500 vessels within the small-scale fleet previously categorized as “for personal needs” included in the Fleet register pursuant to accession negotiations.

The licences in Croatia are issued for indefinite time (no provisions on withdrawal if vessel is inactive). However, for those fisheries managed by management plans, the issued authorisations are time limited, and authorisation process is repeated upon their expiration following the current state of play taking into account the balance between the status of the resources and fleet capacity. Croatian national legal framework foresees the possibility of a vessel being erased from the register under specific circumstances.

1.1 Description of fleets**A. Developments in the fishing fleet**

Croatia’s capacity ceiling was fixed by way of Regulation (EU) 1380/2013. Furthermore, permanent cessation of fishing activities was envisaged as part of the OP for the EFF as well as for the EMFF, with the target date for achieving results by the end of 2015 for the EFF and the end of 2018 for EMFF respectively.

In the course of 2021, 171 new vessels entered the fleet without public aid, with a total capacity of 239,53 GT and 4.323,74 kW. In the same year 238 vessels left the fleet with a total capacity of 637,14 GT and 7.256,44 kW.

In 2021 Croatian fishing fleet consisted of 7.757 vessels of which 6.235 were active. Inactive vessels represented 19,6% of the total fleet registered in 2021.

Fleet capacity in terms of GT and kW remained stable in 2021 in terms of total vessel tonnage and engine power when compared to previous year. In 2021, GT, kW and number of vessels were reduced by 7%, 6,6% and 1,6%, respectively, compared to 2015-2020 average values (Table 1.1).

Table 1.1. Croatian commercial fishing fleet in the period 2012-2021.

Year	GT	kW	No. vessels
2012	45.203,82	329.693,77	4.211
2013	46.034,24	346.247,22	4.358
2014	46.104,38	347.927,35	4.385
2015	53.811,85	429.745,89	7.849
2016	49.157,90	387.601,65	7.746
2017	48.840,26	386.830,98	8.349
2018	46.048,94	360.883,33	7.731
2019	45.208,68	355.579,40	7.829
2020	45.251,54	355.871,16	7.808
2021	44.621,47	354.226,43	7.757
Δ 2021 to 2020	-1,4%	-0,5%	-0,7%
Δ 2021 to avg. 15-20	-7,1%	-6,6%	-1,6%

B. Analysis of the fleet

In 2021, majority of the entire commercial fishing fleet (7.757 vessels) was composed of vessels with LOA less than 6 m (4.379 vessels, 56,5%) and vessels with LOA between 6 and 12 m (2.829 vessels, 36,5%). Only 549 vessels corresponding to 7,1% of the fleet was larger than 12 m LOA, including 337 vessels, or 4,3% with LOA between 12 and 18 m; 103 vessels, or 1,3% with LOA between 18 and 24 m and 109 vessels, 1,4% with LOA between 24 and 40 m (Table 1.2).

Table 1.2. Fleet characteristics by vessel length category in 2021.

Vessel length	Total GT	Total kW	Total no. vessels	Share in total fleet
VL0006	3.964,39	40.497,64	4.379	56,5%
VL0612	9.983,89	168.354,68	2.829	36,5%
VL1218	6.144,06	55.338,41	337	4,3%
VL1824	7.316,08	30.452,80	103	1,3%
VL2440	17.213,05	59.582,90	109	1,4%
TOTAL	44.621,47	354.226,43	7.757	

The Croatian fishing fleet has a range of vessel types using various gears and targeting different species exclusively in FAO area 37.2.1. (Adriatic), in the GFCM-GSA 17 (Northern Adriatic Sea). The fleet consists of 23 active fleet segments, which are divided into 10 small-scale coastal fleet (SSCF)¹ segments (DFN, FPO, HOK, PGP and PMP) and 13 large-scale fleet (LSF) segments (DFNVL1218, DRB, DTS, MGO and PS), and 5 inactive length classes, according to DCF methodology² (Table 1.3).

¹ SSCF, small-scale coastal fleet, i.e. fishing vessels with an overall length under 12 metres and which do not use towed gear.

² Definitions and acronyms for DCF length classes and fleet segments can be found by navigating through the data collection website (<https://datacollection.jrc.ec.europa.eu>).

Table 1.3. Developments in the fishing fleet in the period 2013-2021.

Fishing technique		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to avg. 13-20
GT	DFN	3.535,87	3.275,67	3.108,17	3.117,64	2.910,51	2.942,63	2.996,54	2.964,52	2.993,01	2.965,88	-1%	-1%
	DRB	224,02	518,15	381,32	603,54	670,52	578,80	385,09	461,24	406,26	300,17	-26%	-40%
	DTS	10.401,50	10.035,55	10.027,26	9.865,43	8.934,23	8.348,08	7.337,04	7.371,37	7.571,02	7.449,61	-2%	-14%
	FPO	394,16	391,24	365,41	361,85	396,83	354,30	354,25	361,44	363,17	425,71	17%	16%
	HOK	1.106,07	1.324,85	1.325,41	1.120,29	1.144,73	1.124,43	1.217,57	1.240,53	1.299,15	1.242,05	-4%	1%
	INACTIVE	12.144,15	13.563,23	13.842,12	21.110,14	15.005,93	14.258,74	14.159,25	13.086,22	12.910,00	12.473,44	-3%	-15%
	MGO	526,82	494,11	442,51	535,70	527,73	481,48	454,29	470,11	446,67	434,29	-3%	-10%
	PGP	96,48	110,30	127,94	311,49	3.273,82	4.185,88	4.239,50	4.494,90	4.447,45	4.460,41	0%	68%
	PMP	337,60	357,77	393,45	287,71	234,20	172,82	149,51	83,33	129,33	111,75	-14%	-51%
	PS	16.437,15	15.963,37	16.090,79	16.498,06	16.059,40	16.393,10	14.755,90	14.675,02	14.685,48	14.758,16	0%	-6%
TOTAL	45.203,82	46.034,24	46.104,38	53.811,85	49.157,90	48.840,26	46.048,94	45.208,68	45.251,54	44.621,47	-1%	-6%	
kW	DFN	54.834,97	53.949,33	51.599,67	52.482,48	48.115,90	50.569,78	50.937,27	50.845,80	50.697,14	49.606,97	-2%	-3%
	DRB	2.749,26	5.018,22	4.511,98	6.954,51	8.278,60	6.933,94	4.942,62	4.409,06	3.848,42	4.086,92	6%	-27%
	DTS	66.472,15	65.477,00	65.013,71	63.076,09	58.783,40	55.908,40	51.105,42	50.442,81	51.613,28	50.156,97	-3%	-13%
	FPO	7.120,32	7.668,28	7.336,72	7.730,51	7.982,24	7.236,76	7.305,40	7.380,11	7.376,67	8.895,19	21%	19%
	HOK	26.679,13	32.175,33	32.371,54	27.560,52	28.642,84	27.983,44	30.599,95	29.645,54	32.881,66	31.528,62	-4%	4%
	INACTIVE	87.225,92	99.761,44	103.966,67	183.673,51	127.156,49	123.423,14	107.286,80	103.606,01	100.392,23	100.706,35	0%	-15%
	MGO	9.483,88	9.698,60	9.491,54	10.560,73	10.670,38	9.468,89	9.188,74	9.448,22	8.850,84	8.321,62	-6%	-14%
	PGP	1.539,79	2.028,32	1.899,52	4.291,45	27.739,48	35.249,72	36.207,56	38.013,16	38.234,71	38.949,58	2%	70%
	PMP	5.844,44	4.532,51	4.562,96	5.400,47	4.710,87	3.568,47	3.056,18	1.838,82	2.464,54	2.355,47	-4%	-37%
	PS	67.743,91	65.938,19	67.173,04	68.015,62	65.521,45	66.488,44	60.253,39	59.949,87	59.511,67	59.618,74	0%	-7%
TOTAL	329.693,77	346.247,22	347.927,35	429.745,89	387.601,65	386.830,98	360.883,33	355.579,40	355.871,16	354.226,43	0%	-5%	
No vessel	DFN	1.113	1.085	1.033	1.062	1.007	998	1.008	1.035	1.037	1.037	0%	0%
	DRB	21	32	33	47	53	43	33	28	23	25	9%	-32%
	DTS	484	463	449	428	387	378	350	338	344	334	-3%	-15%
	FPO	160	160	153	153	172	155	158	161	159	173	9%	9%
	HOK	316	366	360	335	328	314	346	343	360	349	-3%	1%
	INACTIVE	1.403	1.551	1.669	5.026	2.422	2.297	1.668	1.613	1.557	1.522	-2%	-32%
	MGO	355	356	342	355	342	340	329	327	329	323	-2%	-5%
	PGP	39	44	50	154	2.746	3.566	3.610	3.771	3.767	3.770	0%	70%
	PMP	108	94	90	88	102	70	63	45	65	55	-15%	-29%
	PS	212	207	206	201	187	188	166	168	167	169	1%	-9%
TOTAL	4.211	4.358	4.385	7.849	7.746	8.349	7.731	7.829	7.808	7.757	-1%	11%	

Small-scale coastal fleet (SSCF) covered 86% (5.366) of active vessels and 2,7% of landed weight in 2021 (Table 1.4). Large-scale fleet (LSF), in total 869 vessels in 2021, represented 14% of active fleet, and landed almost 98% in weight and 83% in value. Majority of LSF in Croatia is constituted of high activity commercial purse seiners and demersal trawlers which are under a strict management regime. The number of LSF vessels decreased by 13 vessels (-1,5% between 2021 and 2020, and by 0,1% in SSCF (corresponding to 3 vessels). In 2021, inactive fleet (1.522 vessels) further decreased to by 2,2% compared to 2020.

Table 1.4. Overall fleet characteristics of active vessels by fishing activity in 2021.

Fishing activity	Total no. vessels	Total GT	Total kW	Share in fleet	Share in days at sea	Share in landing weight	Share in landing value
LSF	869	23.214,26	125.505,57	13,9%	32,4%	97,3%	82,9%
SSCF	5.366	8.933,77	128.014,51	86,1%	67,6%	2,7%	17,1%

Although the structure of the fishing fleet somewhat changed with the inclusion of 3.500 small-scale vessels for personal needs in 2015, the fleet operates essentially the same. A significant factor in the large-scale fleet reduction since 2013 is scrapping of vessels.

C. Description of small-scale coastal fleet

Regardless of the fact that the category of small-scale coastal fisheries (vessels <12 meters using passive gears) is not as economically significant when compared to LSF, it is of significant social importance due to the large number of vessels and fishermen involved. Analysis of the data collected under the DCF for the reference year 2021 shows that small scale fleet segments, with 5.366 vessels cover 86% of vessels in the active fleet and only 2,7% of total landing weight.

Average length of these vessels is only 5,7 m and average age of 40 years in 2021, which limits their fishing activities to fishing grounds near the port and to one day fishing trips. When small-scale fleet “for personal needs” is excluded, average vessel length is 7 m, and average age 36 years.

Analysis of effort and landing of the small-scale fleet shows that DFN segment covers 56% of days at sea of small-scale fleet, over 53% of landing weight and 51% of landing value in 2021. Although HOKVL0612 covers only 4,6% of the small-scale fleet in terms of number of vessels, it is significant both in small-scale fleet landing value and total landing value (Table 1.5, Table 6). Regarding average vessel age, youngest are HOK and PMP (polyvalent) vessels.

On the other hand, even though PGP segments cover 70% of small-scale fleet vessels, their share in days at sea, landing weight and values is insignificant even in small-scale fleet, as the most important role of fisheries in this segment is to provide the source of food. Segments with low share of vessels and low activity are FPO segments which together cover about 3% of small-scale vessels, 9% DAS, 7,6% of landing weight and 12,7% of landing value, PMP segments (1% vessels, 3% DAS, 6,5% landing weight and 4% landing value). HOK vessels cover a significant part in landing weight and value, 23% and 24,6%, respectively.

Table 1.5. Fleet segments that form small-scale fisheries and their share in landing weight, landing value and days at sea in 2021.

Fleet segment	Number of vessels	% SSCF	Average age of vessel	Average age of licence holder	% Days as sea	% Landing weight	% Landing value	
DFN	VL0006	343	6,4%	37	48	18,6%	14,7%	12,0%
	VL0612	676	12,6%	38	47	37,4%	39,1%	39,1%
FPO	VL0006	48	0,9%	36	47	2,1%	1,6%	2,4%
	VL0612	125	2,3%	36	50	7,0%	6,0%	11,1%
HOK	VL0006	104	1,9%	32	49	2,8%	1,9%	2,2%
	VL0612	245	4,6%	35	48	8,3%	21,0%	22,7%
PGP	VL0006	2951	55,0%	41	65	15,8%	5,9%	3,7%
	VL0612	819	15,3%	42	65	5,1%	3,1%	2,9%

Fleet segment		Number of vessels	% SSCF	Average age of vessel	Average age of licence holder	% Days as sea	% Landing weight	% Landing value
PMP	VL0006	30	0,6%	30	45	1,5%	1,4%	1,5%
	VL0612	25	0,5%	34	45	1,4%	5,1%	2,3%

In 2020, the average age of vessels licence holder in small-scale fleet was 59. Small-scale fleet segment with youngest licence holders is PMP with average licence holders age of 45. This segment consists of younger population (the youngest vessels licence holder is 23 years old) with gears suitable also for other activities as fishing tourism or transport. The oldest segment is PGP in general, with average vessel age of 41 years and average vessels licence holders' age of 65. This group of vessels, previously categorised as "for personal needs", fall into a separate category of commercial fleet. Most of these vessels licence holders are retired and occasionally engaged in fishing activities. It has to be taken into account that during the public call for license holders in the context of transition into the small-scale coastal artisanal fisheries, an advantage was given to the older applicants. Due to legal restrictions, authorized persons in this category could only be natural persons without legal rights to be involved in first sales and without obligations to pay social security fees. However, reporting on fishing activities is mandatory for this category as it is for any other category of commercial fisheries. Since there is no income, salaries or any kind of remuneration in this category, all of the participants are considered as unpaid labour. Still, this category with a large number of participants is of great social importance as supplementary activity and food security for households.

A small share of young people in a group of owners/license holders suggests that there may be a lack of initiative in opening a business in fisheries for newcomers which could have long-term consequences for the fleet in terms of the absence of successors in fisheries business.

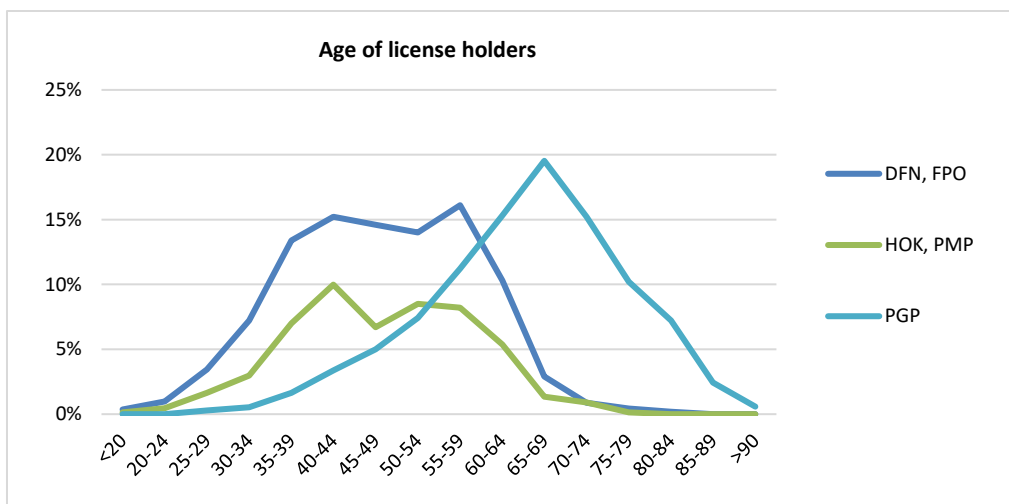


Figure 1. Share of licence holders by age (5-years age groups) for small-scale fleet in 2020.

Days at sea for passive gears have a distinct seasonal character with spring and autumn peaks, depending on migration of target species to the inshore area during the warmer period of the year, but also depending on other integrated activities – tourism, transport or agriculture (Figure 2).

When PGP vessels “for personal needs” are excluded, SSCF vessels spent 107 days at sea (DAS) in 2021 on average. The most active SSCF vessels are FPOVL0612, PMPVL0612 and DFNVL0612, with around 120 days spent at sea in 2021 on average. In contrast, HOK vessels are the least active, with less than 65 days at sea on average.

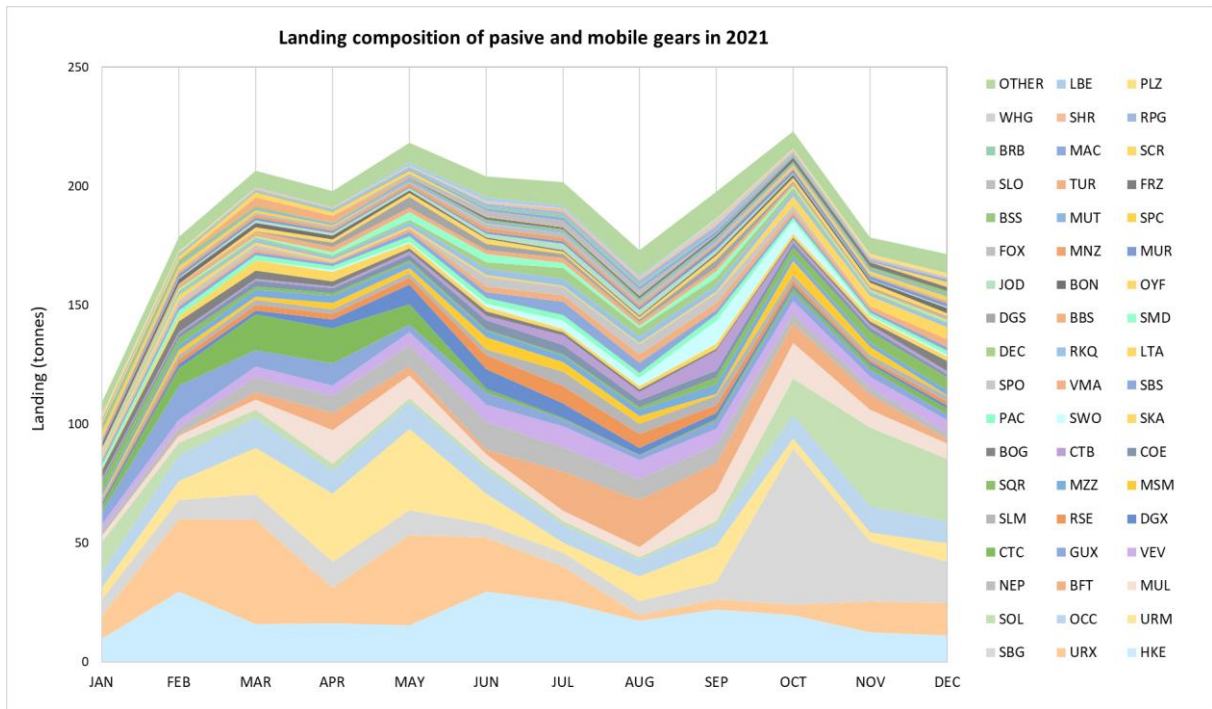


Figure 2. Monthly landing composition of passive in the small-scale fisheries in 2021.

In 2021, the total value of landings of small-scale fishery was €10,5 million, covering 17% of total value of landings. The catch is highly diverse, as is characteristic of Mediterranean mixed fishery, with 36 and 29 species covering 90% of landing weight and value, respectively, in 2021, compared with large scale fisheries where 4 and 17 species cover 90% of landing weight and value, respectively. Most of the landing weight and landing value consists of demersal fish (common sole, hake, seabream) (Figure 3). Most of the small-scale fisheries catch is sold on the local market, and income is often used as the addition to the home budget and providing food security. This is the main reason for negative economic indicators in these segments, but for some fishermen in these segments, commercial benefit is not even a priority since they have other sources of income.

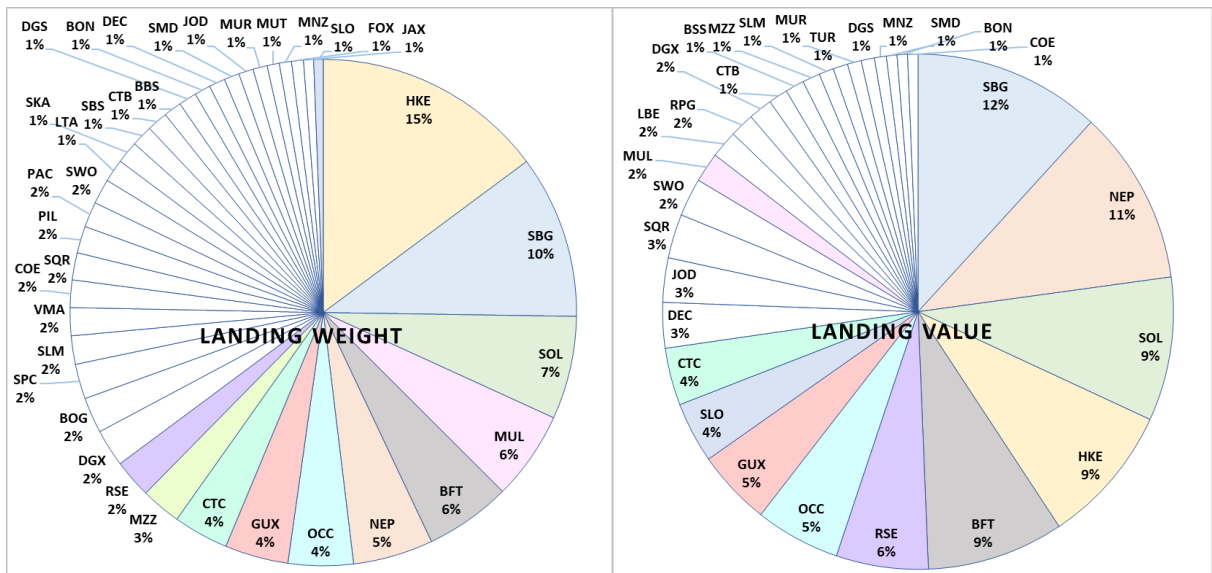


Figure 3. Landing composition of small-scale fisheries in 2021.

Table 1.5. Characteristics of small-scale fisheries in 2021.

Fleet segment	Number of vessels	Days at sea	Landing (tonnes)	DAS per vessel	LPUE*	
DFN	VL0006	343	40.074	242,12	117	6
	VL0612	676	80.706	644,73	119	8
FPO	VL0006	48	4.624	26,24	96	6

Fleet segment		Number of vessels	Days at sea	Landing (tonnes)	DAS per vessel	LPUE*
	VL0612	125	15.188	99,52	122	7
HOK	VL0006	104	5.999	31,94	58	5
	VL0612	245	17.863	345,38	73	19
PGP	VL0006	2951	33.994	97,98	12	3
	VL0612	819	10.923	51,75	13	5
PMP	VL0006	30	3.320	23,83	111	7
	VL0612	25	3.030	83,91	121	28

*LPUE - Landing (kg) per DAS

A distinctive local character of the use of the fishing gears and target assemblage could be noticed in a regional distribution of the vessels from different fleet segments. More than half of the vessels (77%) from the FPO fleet segment are from counties well known by the tradition of trap fishery – Primorje-Gorski Kotar, Lika-Senj County and to a lesser extent Zadar County. Also, 72% of total landing of Norway lobster from small scale fleet was landed by FPO vessels from Primorje-Gorski Kotar County in 2021. Around 36% of vessels from the HOK fleet segment are situated in Split-Dalmatia County while 57% of total landed volume of swordfish and 46% of hake was landed by vessels from this county. Tradition of gillnet fishing of the Istria region, especially targeting common sole is reflected in share of gillnets in Istria County (30% of total number of vessels in DFN fleet segment) so as in share of landed volume of common sole (92% of total landing of common sole landed by vessels from Istria County, 90% with gillnets).

Even though existing indicators show a certain level of imbalance, DFN segment is not included in the Action plan as Croatia considers that addressing the capacity of the most important fleet segments in terms of percentage of landings and activity is the issue of priority. With very low catch and landing values, the DFN segment is considered to be primarily highly artisanal and important in terms of social and economic elements for local population and communities, and actions in that segment are envisaged in future years, primarily by way of regulation of their activity. It is also expected that this fleet segment shall in the forthcoming years be the one mostly encompassed by measures of diversification of activities and provision of services complementary to fisheries.

D. Description of small-scale fleet previously categorized as “for personal needs”

Prior to its accession to the EU Croatia had a very specific category of non-commercial fishery that was transferred to the commercial category in 2015, pursuant to regulations in force. The transition process of their full registration ended in April 2015, while the administrative process of licensing followed throughout 2016. These vessels' licence holders are not full-time fishermen, nor do they depend on fishing activity and only perform it in very specific places and in very specific times. This is the exact reason why they fall into a separate category of commercial fleet, that is nationally defined by the Marine Fisheries Act, and limited both in catch and fishing gears. According to the list of vessels that have been designated for granting licences under conditions set by national legislation, the capacity of these vessels was included in the fleet register in 2015. However, most of the vessels remained inactive in 2015 and 2016, as the licences were not issued due to the prolonged administrative procedure and Fisheries Information System updating.

Following the transfer from the previous non-commercial fishery into the commercial one, Croatia included the small-scale vessels for personal needs into the national sampling scheme within the amended National Data Collection Programme. With regards to the Data Collection Framework fleet segment categorization, all these vessels fall under the polyvalent passive gears segment (PGP), but they are not full-time engaged in the fishery and most of them have very limited activity. Taking into account the above mentioned constrains, Croatia was able to conduct the required data collection and include in the analysis of active vessels the limited share of the segment which was active during the period 2016-2021. Characteristics of the PGP fleet segment in 2021, including the active small-scale vessels that entered the commercial fleet in 2015, are shown in Table 2.

It is important to mention though that this fleet category including the vessels previously operating for personal needs is still kept as a ring-fenced category, with specific requirements and constrains. The

catches of this particular fleet element and their possibilities to market the fish as well as the gears allowed are strict and technical measures foresee the possibility to exercise this activity only on a local scale. However, as this has been the traditional category existing prior to the accession, the social needs are of particular concern. With all constrains of the operation of this fleet and their particular social and traditional characteristics, it cannot be expected that they are economically viable, and the activity they show does not indicate a substantial impact on the resources (given their very sporadic and very limited catches and manner of operation). Albeit their number might indicate importance, this is assessed as a skewed indication since their overall activity does not correspond to the activity of the fishermen that are engaged in full or even half-time fisheries. Additionally, owners of the licenses for this particular fleet are not envisaged to be beneficiaries of public aid.

It should be noted that the PGP segment is broader and includes also vessels not falling into this particular category of vessels transferred from the non-commercial to commercial category, but also other “strictly” commercial vessels using the same gears (22 vessels in 2021 corresponding to 0,6% of PGP vessels, which landed almost 13% of PGP segment landing in 2021). In 2021, number of the vessels in a ring-fenced category including those transferred from the non-commercial category however was in total 3.748.

Table 2. Characteristics of PGP segment in 2021.

Fleet segment		Number of vessels	Total GT	Total kW	Share of vessels in active fleet, %	Share in effort (GT*Fish Days), %	Share in effort (kW*Fish Days), %	Share in total landing weight, %	Share in total landing value, %
PGP	VL0006	2.951	2.570,07	18.852,23	47%	0,3%	0,4%	0,2%	0,6%
PGP	VL0612	819	1.890,34	20.097,35	13%	0,3%	0,7%	0,1%	0,5%
PGP total		3.770	4.460,41	38.949,58	60%	0,6%	1,1%	0,2%	1,1%

1.2 Link with fisheries

In 2021, purse seine segment (PS) continued to be the most important fleet segment in terms of share in landing weight (90 and 50% of total landings weight and value, respectively) with less than 3% of total number of active vessels. This segment includes vessels which remain active the entire year and fishing activity represents the main activity.

The demersal trawls (DTS) are the second most important in terms of shares in landings weight, as they constitute 6% and 23% share in landings weight and value, and 5,4% of active fleet in 2021. It is obvious that the main fleet segments in terms of landings weight and value are purse seiners and demersal trawlers, with 96% share in landings and 73% in landings value.

The largest number of vessels in the in main commercial fleet are active in driftnet and fixed nets segment (DFN, in Croatia fixed nets – gillnets and trammel nets, 1.037 active vessels or 16,6% of the active fleet). Highly seasonal activity of the DFN segment indicates strong dependency on activities other than fishery, which leads to the conclusion that fishing is a secondary activity for this fleet or part of it. This is further emphasized by the fact that the total landings of DFN segment represent 1,5% of total landings, indicating the low activity rather than high impact. The same is applicable for hook and line gears (HOK) and miscellaneous active gear (MGO), that together constitute almost 11% of active fleet, but their share in landings is 1,7%. This is also due to the fact that these fleet segments are composed almost entirely of vessels less than 12 m LOA whose activity is largely seasonal and operate on local basis. In majority of cases, these activities are not the main source of income for the licence owner, and the fleet displays highly seasonal character (Table 3).

The PGP segment, as described in the previous chapter D, which includes the largest number of vessels, is constituted mainly of small-scale vessels for personal needs transferred to the commercial category in 2015. This segment is managed as a specific fleet category with catch and gear restrictions and special licences, and is important as a specific social and traditional category.

Table 3. Landings weight distribution by fishing technique in 2021.

Fishing technique	Total GT	Total kW	No. vessels	Share in active fleet	Landing weight (tons)	Share in total landing weight	Landing value (million EUR)	Share in total landing value
DFN	2.965,88	49.606,97	1.037	16,6%	915,67	1,5%	5,53	9,0%
DRB	300,17	4.086,92	25	0,4%	178,57	0,3%	1,05	1,7%
DTS	7.449,61	50.156,97	334	5,4%	3.768,02	6,2%	13,98	22,8%
FPO	425,71	8.895,19	173	2,8%	125,76	0,2%	1,41	2,3%
HOK	1.242,05	31.528,62	349	5,6%	377,32	0,6%	2,60	4,2%
MGO	434,29	8.321,62	323	5,2%	637,03	1,0%	4,88	8,0%
PGP	4.460,41	38.949,58	3.770	60,5%	149,73	0,2%	0,70	1,1%
PMP	111,75	2.355,47	55	0,9%	107,74	0,2%	0,40	0,7%
PS	14.758,16	59.618,74	169	2,7%	54.879,12	89,8%	30,64	50,1%
TOTAL	32.148,03	253.520,08	6.235		61.138,97		61,19	

Landings in 2021 included 129 species in total. The table below lists the most important ones in terms of quantity and value. In 2021, several small-pelagic species accounted for 90% in total landing (sardine, anchovy, Atlantic chub mackerels and Jack and horse mackerels), and 25 species for over 90% of landing value (Table 4). Quantities landed have been stable over time, with the share of small pelagic species targeted in purse seine fisheries, sardine and anchovy, by far dominating the overall structure (over 85% of total landing weight in 2021). Small pelagic species also constituted the most important species in terms of value, accounting for almost 50% of total landing value. On the other hand, species targeted by demersal trawling, hake, red mullet, Norway lobster and deep-water rose shrimp, account for 4,6% in terms of quantity, but over 17% in terms of the value (Table 4).

Table 4. Species representing over 90% of Croatian landing weight and value in 2021 (ranked by share in landing value).

Species	Species FAO code	Total landing weight (tons)	Share in total landing weight	Total landing value (million EUR)	Share in total landing value
European pilchard(=Sardine)	PIL	40.485,31	66,2%	18,67	30,5%
European anchovy	ANE	11.620,81	19,0%	10,35	16,9%
European hake	HKE	1.061,08	1,7%	3,99	6,5%
Norway lobster	NEP	251,07	0,4%	3,42	5,6%
Sponges	SPO	22,25	0,0%	2,15	3,5%
Deep-water rose shrimp	DPS	737,25	1,2%	1,95	3,2%
Common sole	SOL	158,48	0,3%	1,38	2,2%
Gilthead seabream	SBG	183,29	0,3%	1,32	2,2%
Red mullet	MUT	767,75	1,3%	1,30	2,1%
Common octopus	OCC	128,99	0,2%	1,06	1,7%
John dory	JOD	52,85	0,1%	0,99	1,6%
European squid	SQR	95,66	0,2%	0,97	1,6%
Bluefin tuna	BFT	83,44	0,1%	0,83	1,4%
Warty venus	VEV	66,07	0,1%	0,82	1,3%
Red scorpionfish	RSE	51,40	0,1%	0,77	1,3%
Gurnards; searobins nei	GUX	98,50	0,2%	0,73	1,2%
Monkfishes nei	MNZ	112,76	0,2%	0,70	1,1%
Horned and musky octopuses	OCM, EDT, EOI	189,55	0,3%	0,62	1,0%
Common cuttlefish	CTC	91,85	0,2%	0,59	1,0%
Sea urchins, nei	URX	212,07	0,3%	0,55	0,9%
Jack and horse mackerels nei	JAX, HMM, HOM	1.211,27	2,0%	0,54	0,9%
Atlantic chub mackerel	VMA	1.143,09	1,9%	0,52	0,9%
Great Mediterranean scallop	SJA	52,39	0,1%	0,38	0,6%
Common dentex	DEC	20,98	0,0%	0,37	0,6%
Common Spiny Lobster	SLO	9,10	0,0%	0,36	0,6%
OTHER		2.231,70	3,7%	5,86	9,6%
TOTAL		61.138,97	-	61,19	-

In the further description of fleet segments a metier approach was taken; segments selected in ranking by effort, landing weight and value are identified as the most important fleet segments in terms of their contribution to total landing, landing value and effort (Table 6).

Out of 23 clustered fleet segments, 11 segments were selected by the ranking procedure as most important segments in 2021 in terms of contribution to landing and effort, as they constitute more than 90% of total landing, landing value and effort. These segments are the following: purse seiners (PS) from 12 to 40 meters LOA, demersal trawlers (DTS) from 6 to 40 meters LOA, fixed netters (DFN) from 6 to 12 meters LOA, hooks and lines vessels (HOK) from 6 to 12 meters LOA and vessels with other active gears (MGO) less than 12 meters LOA.

The most important fleet segment in terms of contribution to total landings is purse seiners from 24 to 40 meters LOA. This fleet segment accounted for 51,8% of landings in 2021. Overall, purse seine segments with almost 90% of landing weight and 50% of landing value in 2021 form the backbone of Croatian fisheries. These fleet segments target sardines and anchovies, and fall under the provisions of the multiannual management plan for small pelagics in GSAs 17 and 18 (and previously, emergency measures) as adopted under the GFCM. The effect of the measures foreseen by the GFCM framework, further strengthened by national measures going beyond it, is continuous decreasing trend in the overall landing of sardine and anchovy. In comparison to the baseline 2014, the period 2015-2017 shows a steady decreasing trend of landings due to implementation of management measures stemming from the GFCM Management plan and a set of ambitious national measures. This period of stable decrease was followed by a period of stability (2017-2021) with an overall landed quantity stable at a quantity close to 60 thousand tons (Table 5). However, in 2019 and 2021 the overall underachievement in comparison to this average annual landing occurred due to the bad weather conditions and inability of fleet to cope with that. Overall, average landing of small pelagic species in the period 2014-2021 is 60,2 tonnes.

Table 5. Annual decrease in the landing (tons) of small pelagic species from 2014 to 2021.

Species	Landing (tons)								Δ '21 to '20	Δ '21 to avg. 14-20	Δ '21 to '14
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
Sardine	60.974,45	51.729,58	54.368,33	48.333,44	46.267,11	45.134,11	50.133,50	40.485,31	-19%	-21%	-34%
Anchovy	10.122,85	12.785,11	8.235,78	10.880,35	13.250,81	7.994,60	9.781,24	11.620,81	19%	11%	15%
Σ	71.097,30	64.514,69	62.604,11	59.213,79	59.517,92	53.128,71	59.914,74	52.106,12	-13%	-15%	-27%
Share in total landing	89,5%	88,5%	86,6%	86,0%	85,8%	83,9%	85,2%	85,2%			

The largest number of vessels in the main commercial fleet were active in fixed nets segment (DFN, in Croatia fixed nets – gill nets and trammel nets, 1.037 active vessels or 16,6% of the main commercial fleet), while only 1,5% of landing volume contributes to 9% of landing value. Their actual activity is highly seasonal and the calculation of different parameters is skewed due to the nature of this activity. The most important segment in this gear class was the one between 6 and 12 meters LOA, with 676 vessels, representing around 11% of the active fleet. Only fixed nets are used in Croatia (trammel and gill nets), and they operate in shore and coastal waters, in limited areas and during limited periods. These fishermen have around 120 sea days yearly per vessel and in 2021 caught on average 8 kg per day at sea. The overall contribution of the segment to the effort and catch is very limited.

Although 60% of the active fleet is made up of PGP vessels, in 2021 their contribution to landing weight and value was 0,2% and 1%, respectively, in line with legal limitations on catch related to small-scale vessels for personal needs. In comparison to previous year, weight and value decreased to previous levels, therefore the increase in 2020 can be attributed to COVID pandemics and possible compensation of loss in alternative sources of income, such as tourism and increased need for food supply for oneself and local community. In any case, Croatia will closely follow these trends in the coming years.

In the further analysis, the specific impact of the small-scale fleet in relation to its activity and social context is considered. Croatia is fully in line with the provisions of the Basic regulation that calls for the recognition of the specificities of the small-scale fleet, taking into account all the relevant provisions and elements of the fleet policy. Additionally, catch reporting requirements in Croatia for vessels less than 10 m LOA are based on monthly catch reports that are particularly suited for passive gears.

Table 6. Characteristics of fleet segments in 2021 ranked by share in total landing value. Selection of fleet segments that achieve 90% of the total landing, landing value and effort. Segments highlighted in blue constitute for over 90% of any variable considered.

Fleet segment		Number of vessels	Tonnage GT	Vessel power kW	Landing weight (tonnes)	Landing value (million EUR)	Days at sea	Fuel consumption (tonnes)	LPUE Landed weight per sea day (kg/day)	Landed value per sea day (EUR/day)	Days per vessel	Energy consumed per landed tonne (l/tonne)	Share of vessels in active fleet	Share in total landing weight	Share in total landing value	Share in total effort (GT Fish days)
PS	VL2440	63	10.369,00	36.669	31.669,37	17,28	10.517	5.089,15	3.011	1.643	167	161	1,0%	51,8%	28,2%	41,7%
PS	VL1824	40	3.389,00	14.530	15.050,56	8,60	6.609	2.009,95	2.277	1.301	165	134	0,6%	24,6%	14,1%	13,9%
DTS	VL1218	155	2.856,43	24.174	1.482,53	5,35	17.134	3.986,53	87	312	111	2.689	2,5%	2,4%	8,7%	7,4%
PS	VL1218	37	833,36	6.424	7.833,68	4,46	4.773	882,59	1.641	935	129	113	0,6%	12,8%	7,3%	2,7%
DFN	VL0612	676	2.343,52	41.925	644,73	4,09	80.706	1.316,60	8	51	119	2.042	10,8%	1,1%	6,7%	5,6%
DTS	VL1824	29	2.195,00	8.097	987,45	3,79	5.244	3.124,77	188	723	181	3.164	0,5%	1,6%	6,2%	10,6%
DTS	VL0612	141	1.166,18	13.732	758,01	2,72	15.003	1.800,44	51	181	106	2.375	2,3%	1,2%	4,4%	3,0%
MGO	VL0612	52	213,63	3.423	222,36	2,62	6.260	81,59	36	418	120	367	0,8%	0,4%	4,3%	0,7%
HOK	VL0612	245	1.140,06	29.420	345,38	2,37	17.863	674,34	19	133	73	1.952	3,9%	0,6%	3,9%	1,6%
MGO	VL0006	271	220,66	4.899	414,67	2,27	28.990	198,15	14	78	107	478	4,3%	0,7%	3,7%	0,5%
DTS	VL2440	9	1.232,00	4.155	540,03	2,12	1.860	1.562,60	290	1.139	207	2.894	0,1%	0,9%	3,5%	6,5%
DFN	VL0006	343	350,33	4.361	242,12	1,26	40.074	157,78	6	31	117	652	5,5%	0,4%	2,1%	0,8%
FPO	VL0612	125	371,95	7.697	99,52	1,16	15.188	266,03	7	76	122	2.673	2,0%	0,2%	1,9%	1,3%
DRB	VL1218	16	219,44	2.852	135,47	0,75	1.907	343,89	71	391	119	2.538	0,3%	0,2%	1,2%	0,7%
PGP	VL0006	2.951	2.570,07	18.852	97,98	0,39	33.994	61,31	3	12	12	626	47,3%	0,2%	0,6%	0,7%
PGP	VL0612	819	1.890,34	20.097	51,75	0,31	10.923	35,00	5	28	13	676	13,1%	0,1%	0,5%	0,7%
DRB	VL0612	9	80,73	1.235	43,10	0,30	937	156,67	46	321	104	3.635	0,1%	0,1%	0,5%	0,2%
PS	VL0612	29	166,80	1.996	325,51	0,30	2.958	84,43	110	100	102	259	0,5%	0,5%	0,5%	0,4%
FPO	VL0006	48	53,76	1.198	26,24	0,25	4.624	42,50	6	53	96	1.620	0,8%	0,0%	0,4%	0,2%
PMP	VL0612	25	83,66	1.565	83,91	0,24	3.030	121,73	28	81	121	1.451	0,4%	0,1%	0,4%	0,2%
HOK	VL0006	104	101,99	2.108	31,94	0,23	5.999	48,89	5	38	58	1.531	1,7%	0,1%	0,4%	0,1%
DFN	VL1218	18	272,03	3.321	28,81	0,19	1.338	114,22	22	141	74	3.964	0,3%	0,0%	0,3%	0,4%
PMP	VL0006	30	28,09	790	23,83	0,16	3.320	32,48	7	47	111	1.363	0,5%	0,0%	0,3%	0,1%
TOTAL		6.235	32.148,03	253.520	61.138,97	61,19	319.251	22.191,59	192	192	51	363				

Even though there is a large number of species caught in the Adriatic Sea, the main Croatian commercial fishing fleet, constituting of fleet segments listed above depends on around 20 commercial species, including the following:

- Small pelagic fish (sardine, anchovy, Atlantic chub mackerel, Jack and horse mackerels) targeted by purse seiners
- Demersal fish (hake, red mullet), crustaceans (deep-water rose shrimp, Norway lobster) and cephalopods (horned and musky octopuses, various squid) targeted by demersal trawlers
- Large pelagic fish, targeted by purse seiners (Bluefin tuna) and hook and line vessels (Bluefin tuna and swordfish), and
- Other species (common octopus, common sole, gilthead seabream, mullets, red scorpionfish, gurnards, warty venus, sea urchins and sponges) targeted by fixed netters and vessels using mobile gears.

Main target species of the most significant fleet segments in 2021 are presented in the table below (Table 7.1). In 2021, the majority of landings of purse seiners from 24 to 40 m LOA included sardine (76%) and anchovy (19,4%) and similarly for purse seine vessels from 18 to 24 m LOA, sardine (68,7%) and anchovy (25,4%). More or less the same structure can be observed (in similar shares) in all PS segments above 12 m LOA, however purse seines under 12 m LOA have a different landing composition and do not target as much sardine and anchovy. This is a result of different purse seine nets used more in the coastal area, with different mesh sizes, which target species such as Atlantic bonito and Greater amberjack or mullets). Also, these segments have a high contribution of other gears in their landing, such as fixed nets, longlines, etc.

For demersal trawls, the composition in segments from 18 to 40 meters LOA mainly includes deep-water rose shrimp, hake, red mullet and Norway lobster. In the demersal trawl segments from 12 to 18 m LOA and 6 to 12 m LOA the main species landed were red mullet, hake and deep-water rose shrimp, while Norway lobster, European squid and horned and musky octopuses are also caught in larger quantities. The differences between different segments of the same gear groups can be explained by the fishing grounds exploited (smaller segments tend to stay closer to shore, use gears other than bottom trawl nets and exploit different fishing grounds, whereas larger segments tend to operate in areas further from the shore).

On the other hand, the fixed nets segment from 6 to 12 m LOA, which represents the largest number of vessels active in the main commercial fleet, has a total landing of 1% which contributes with 6,7% to total landing value. The main species targeted are gilthead seabream, common sole and hake, and a mixture of other species (common cuttlefish, , mullets, red scorpionfish etc.).

MGO segment, selected for its high ranking in the landing value, includes a variety of traditional mobile and other active gears, such as hand gathering gears and harpoon, which have different target assemblages. Shellfish are mainly targeted, including warty venus and European flat oyster, followed by Cephalopods such as common octopus. In terms of hand gathering gears, sponges and red coral are traditionally collected, , while in recent years since 2018 there has been a significant increase in commercial exploitation of sea urchins.

HOK segment from 6 to 12 m LOA in 2020 mainly targeted demersal fish such as hake and gurnards however vessels with Bluefin tuna and swordfish quota are also included in this segment.

Table 7.1. Target species of selected fleet segments in 2021 (ranked by contribution to landing weight).

Fleet segment (FS)		Target species	Species FAO code	Landing weight (tonnes)	Landing value (million EUR)	Share in total FS landing weight	Share in total FS landing value	Share in total species landing
DFN	VL0612	Gilthead seabream	SBG	88,98	0,64	13,8%	15,7%	48,5%
		Common sole	SOL	83,76	0,73	13,0%	17,8%	52,9%
		European hake	HKE	61,23	0,23	9,5%	5,6%	5,8%
		Common cuttlefish	CTC	32,60	0,21	5,1%	5,2%	35,5%
		Mullets nei	MUL	30,46	0,06	4,7%	1,6%	31,3%
DTS	VL0612	Red mullet	MUT	170,51	0,29	22,5%	10,6%	22,2%
		European hake	HKE	143,56	0,54	18,9%	19,9%	13,5%
		Horned and musky octopuses	OCM	60,72	0,20	8,0%	7,3%	33,3%
		Picarel	SPC	60,49	0,08	8,0%	3,1%	62,1%
		Deep-water rose shrimp	DPS	35,51	0,09	4,7%	3,4%	4,8%
		Norway lobster	NEP	30,62	0,42	4,0%	15,3%	12,2%
DTS	VL1218	Red mullet	MUT	416,30	0,70	28,1%	13,1%	54,2%
		European hake	HKE	329,69	1,24	22,2%	23,2%	31,1%
		Deep-water rose shrimp	DPS	182,26	0,48	12,3%	9,0%	24,7%
DTS	VL1824	Deep-water rose shrimp	DPS	314,26	0,83	31,8%	21,9%	42,6%
		European hake	HKE	250,32	0,94	25,4%	24,9%	23,6%
		Red mullet	MUT	107,67	0,18	10,9%	4,8%	14,0%
		Norway lobster	NEP	61,21	0,83	6,2%	22,0%	24,4%
DTS	VL2440	Deep-water rose shrimp	DPS	204,91	0,54	37,9%	25,5%	27,8%
		European hake	HKE	111,62	0,42	20,7%	19,8%	10,5%
		Red mullet	MUT	53,44	0,09	9,9%	4,3%	7,0%
		Norway lobster	NEP	40,80	0,56	7,6%	26,2%	16,3%
HOK	VL0612	European hake	HKE	108,53	0,41	31,4%	17,2%	10,2%
		Atlantic bluefin tuna	BFT	81,60	0,81	23,6%	34,3%	97,8%
		Gurnards, searobins nei	GUX	47,63	0,35	13,8%	14,9%	48,4%
		Swordfish	SWO	23,31	0,22	6,8%	9,3%	92,0%
MGO	VL0006	Stony sea urchin	URM	111,97	0,24	27,0%	10,6%	73,0%
		Sea urchins, etc. nei	URX	86,24	0,22	20,8%	9,8%	40,7%
		Warty venus	VEV	52,99	0,66	12,8%	28,9%	80,2%
		Common octopus	OCC	46,97	0,39	11,3%	17,0%	36,4%
MGO	VL0612	Sea urchins, etc. nei	URX	125,77	0,32	56,6%	12,4%	59,3%
		Stony sea urchin	URM	41,42	0,09	18,6%	3,4%	27,0%
		Sponges	SPO	20,26	1,96	9,1%	74,8%	91,1%
		Warty venus	VEV	9,81	0,12	4,4%	4,6%	14,8%
PS	VL1218	European pilchard(=Sardine)	PIL	5.911,10	2,73	75,5%	61,1%	14,6%
		European anchovy	ANE	1.629,17	1,45	20,8%	32,5%	14,0%
PS	VL1824	European pilchard(=Sardine)	PIL	10.332,96	4,77	68,7%	55,4%	25,5%
		European anchovy	ANE	3.820,45	3,40	25,4%	39,6%	32,9%
		Atlantic chub mackerel	VMA	366,09	0,17	2,4%	2,0%	32,0%
		Jack and horse mackerels nei	JAX	321,34	0,14	2,1%	1,7%	26,9%
PS	VL2440	European pilchard(=Sardine)	PIL	24.016,90	11,08	75,8%	64,1%	59,3%
		European anchovy	ANE	6.132,90	5,46	19,4%	31,6%	52,8%
		Jack and horse mackerels nei	JAX	727,01	0,32	2,3%	1,9%	60,8%
		Atlantic chub mackerel	VMA	618,81	0,28	2,0%	1,6%	54,1%

Table 7.3. Changes in catches (tonnes) of main target species in the period 2013-2021.

Main target species	Species FAO code	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Share in total catch 2021	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to avg. 13-20
European pilchard(=Sardine)	PIL	57.108,80	61.036,01	51.776,82	54.411,48	48.420,04	46.284,37	45.144,03	50.153,49	40.509,46	65,3%	-19%	-22%
European anchovy	ANE	10.131,67	10.142,23	12.797,01	8.239,07	10.884,12	13.264,47	7.998,10	9.783,89	11.627,00	18,7%	19%	12%
Jack and horse mackerels nei	JAX, HMM, HOM	284,28	236,52	455,57	997,28	923,29	1.467,90	1.590,16	1.757,79	1.213,73	2,0%	-31%	26%
Atlantic chub mackerel	VMA	599,54	639,07	567,97	1.867,08	1.948,96	1.808,55	2.118,82	1.967,02	1.144,02	1,8%	-42%	-21%
European hake	HKE	1.131,40	902,20	777,06	756,01	933,47	998,45	1.151,14	1.207,54	1.066,01	1,7%	-12%	9%
Atlantic bluefin tuna	BFT	387,63	385,18	456,42	515,67	631,17	737,66	821,77	900,08	900,10	1,5%	0%	49%
Red mullet	MUT	1.104,99	1.170,86	1.145,81	973,75	1.005,16	845,73	750,96	763,42	769,07	1,2%	1%	-21%
Deep-water rose shrimp	DPS	315,17	370,74	535,26	656,82	845,58	920,84	719,33	669,93	743,83	1,2%	11%	18%
Sea urchins, etc. nei	URM, URX	4,37	13,00	12,28	9,12	27,62	136,29	173,32	148,97	368,75	0,6%	148%	462%
Norway lobster	NEP	300,27	344,48	303,79	237,41	201,57	232,54	266,77	238,49	251,83	0,4%	6%	-5%
Horned and musky octopuses	OCM, EDT, EOI	576,70	669,65	501,79	371,24	362,59	322,22	236,05	314,84	189,69	0,3%	-40%	-55%
Gilthead seabream	SBG	74,79	94,91	140,57	169,73	167,73	134,69	127,69	132,94	184,31	0,3%	39%	41%
Common sole	SOL	253,47	194,60	277,31	190,69	231,58	217,85	198,62	215,01	159,15	0,3%	-26%	-28%
Common octopus	OCC	190,36	311,50	330,73	255,04	137,52	108,83	164,37	168,67	129,36	0,2%	-23%	-38%
Gurnards, searobins nei	GUX	71,14	82,70	100,35	91,33	96,20	116,14	119,86	114,27	98,64	0,2%	-14%	0%
Mulletts nei	MUL	110,71	83,23	91,85	121,18	120,55	104,68	119,28	92,38	98,14	0,2%	6%	-7%
Picarel	SPC	150,11	116,32	103,70	108,68	103,13	88,02	75,04	90,50	97,73	0,2%	8%	-6%
Common cuttlefish	CTC	188,18	201,38	192,87	112,78	107,39	92,25	90,94	104,11	92,33	0,1%	-11%	-32%
Warty venus	VEV	70,72	111,62	122,78	127,50	102,63	94,58	78,33	58,12	66,21	0,1%	14%	-31%
Swordfish	SWO	9,85	16,24	10,30	25,54	20,07	28,80	33,54	23,16	25,36	0,04%	10%	21%
Sponges	SPO	23,74	21,16	27,06	20,11	26,96	31,18	25,70	27,21	22,31	0,04%	-18%	-12%
Total catch of main target species		73.087,88	77.143,60	70.727,30	70.257,52	67.297,32	68.036,07	62.003,81	68.931,84	59.757,05	96,3%	-13%	-14%
Total catch (tonnes)		75.668,33	79.930,31	73.480,44	72.862,73	69.622,25	70.168,86	64.158,31	71.224,93	62.023,67	127,4%	-13%	-14%

Fishing opportunities of vessels using active gears in large-scale fisheries are highly dependent on catch and effort management measures which is evident from the monthly catch composition as shown in the figure below. Fishing activities of purse seiners catching small pelagic fish were completely prohibited from the end of December 2020 until mid-February 2021, in May and end of December 2021. Demersal fishery was significantly reduced in April, followed by a peak in mid-May until June, and decreasing during the summer period until November in line with spatio-temporal closures in 2021 affecting certain fishing areas, such as the Jabuka Pomo Pit FRA and specific Croatian fishing zones.

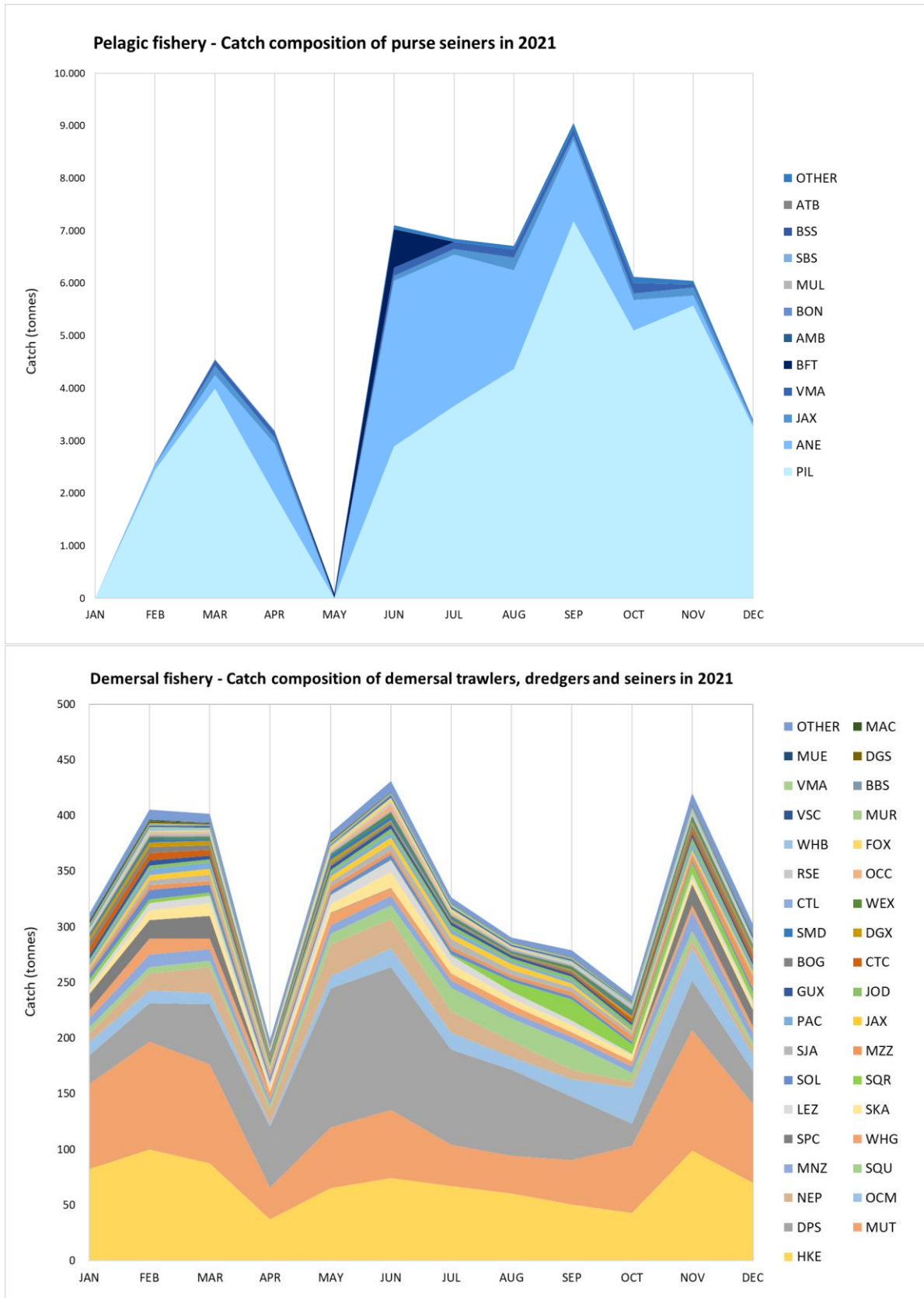


Figure 4. Monthly landing composition of active gears in the large-scale fisheries in 2021.

1.3 Data collection and fleet monitoring

In 2013, Croatia started implementing the DCF in line with the applicable rules. All fleet segments with major contribution to the total catch of the Croatian fleet have been sampled with satisfactory response rates in each of the referent years. In 2020, response rate of the main commercial fleet was satisfactory, allowing for a representative sample for the estimation of economic variables. Where possible, administrative sources were used to include data for all vessels (including landing income, energy consumption, energy costs and subsidies). However, subsidies on investments related to the decommissioning schemes are included in inactive segments, so they have no effect on the calculation of economic indicators.

Capacity, effort and landing data is collected for the entire fleet according to the Control Regulation and national legislation. Fishing reports are used for reporting on fishing activity for vessels below 12 meters LOA using passive gears. Catch reporting requirements in Croatia for all vessels under 10 m LOA are based on monthly catch reports that are particularly suited for passive gears.

Small-scale vessels for personal needs, that were transferred to the commercial fleet in 2015 also fall under the national reporting requirement.

With regard to the 3.500 small-scale vessels which were transferred into the commercial SSCF in 2015, all these vessels fall under the polyvalent passive gears segment (PGP), however these fishers are not full-time engaged in fishery and most of them had very limited activity in 2015-2021. Therefore economic indicators for the PGP segment should be taken with caution.

Since 2018, all modifications on fishing vessels in the Fleet Register are automatically transmitted to the Union Vessel Register following FLUX procedures. For the purpose of real time monitoring and control of the fishing fleet, Croatia has a national plan for the validation systems as per Article 109 (8) of the Control Regulation. The National Plan for the Implementation of the Validation and Verification System in Republic of Croatia was approved by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2277 of 2 December 2015. During 2015 Croatia started implementing the VALID system which is continuously being developed further and is used to control data quality. The VALID system became fully operational in October 2018 including alarms and notifications for immediate detection of discrepancies. The system is constantly upgraded and the set of alarms expanded.

In terms of data validation and quality, VALID automatic cross-check procedures operate in addition to local validations on data-entry and are based on several validation rules packages (EC core rules, DCF reporting validation rules, national VMS rules, fleet registrations/licensing, catch documentation rules, traceability rules etc.). In addition, statistical crosscheck procedures are performed prior to reporting according to data collection on-demand validation reports and internal procedures for statistical and reporting purposes for data end users (EC, ICCAT, GFCM, EUROSTAT, FAO etc.) under DCF and include specific rules developed for each report in order to verify and validate data.

In 2017 DG MARE performed an audit of the catch registration system in Croatia with an objective to assess whether the catch registration systems function effectively and comply with applicable regulations. As some shortcomings in the Croatian fisheries control system were identified, an Action plan with remedial actions was established and implemented and Croatia further upgraded the reporting system.

During 2018 a full traceability system of fisheries products up until first sale was established and implemented in 2019. During the course of 2018 and 2019 a series of workshops were organized to familiarize the sector with the new system, legislation and electronic reporting. This process started in 2016 by implementing an electronic transport document and linking first sale with logbooks and catch reports. The aim is to enhance the estimation of economic indicators and monitor fish prices in domestic market as well as import and export more efficiently.

In 2016 the upgrading of the national FIS (Fisheries Information System) in regard to the fleet register and the new FIS module used for license issuing has been finalized. Both registers, fleet register and register of licences, are directly linked which enables efficient verification of data.

It needs to be stressed that in Croatia, there is an obligation of reporting entire catch and landing regardless of the vessels' length.

Mobile applications (mTransportDocument, mSalesNote, mCatchReport and mLogbook) are gradually being introduced since 2018, to facilitate reporting by the sector. After full implementation, the administrative burden of data entry into FIS should be significantly decreased hence more focus and resources will be dedicated to fleet monitoring and data validation. Plans for the future include installing sensors that notify when towing gear is in use as well as geo-locators for the passive gears.

In addition to obligations pursuant to Article 9 of the Basic Regulation, Croatia requires VMS on every demersal trawler (OTB) and shore seiner (SB), purse seiner (PS) and any vessel with dredges (DRB) regardless of their overall length. VMS is also obligatory for vessels with BFT and/or SWO quota, equipped with hooks, lines and longlines. Vessels with quota for recreational fisheries of BFT are also required to have VMS. Validation rules according to Art. 26(1), Art. 33(2) and Art. 47 (1) of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 404/2011 (CIR) have been set up accordingly. E-logbooks are obligatory for all demersal trawlers (OTB), purse seiners (PS) and all vessels with dredges (DRB) regardless of LOA as well as for all vessels with hooks, lines and longlines with BFT quota. VMS and e-logbook installation on authorized shore seiners and small purse seiners was conducted after the approval of the derogations based on the respective Management plans by the EC during 2018 and 2019.

At the beginning of 2022, 90% of large scale commercial fleet was equipped with VMS devices (770 vessels) and under mandatory real time electronic catch reporting (780 vessels).

The VMS system outlines areas of special regulations of fishing or restricted areas (such as the FRA Jabuka/Pomo Pit, national parks etc.), and in combination with VALID alarms and EFCA alert reports, FMC employees implement control the movements of vessels on a daily basis and report possible irregularities in the operation of vessels to the fisheries inspection.

In addition to VMS tracking, surveillance of fishing vessels in the Exclusive Economic Zone is done with unmanned aerial drones as well, managed by the coast guard.

Croatia is testing possibilities to extend real-time monitoring to passive gears. A pilot project was launched in 2021 with the aim to monitor the activity of passive gears, record the position of gears and test sensors in real conditions at sea. Buoys with sensors have been tested on tuna farm cages since 2020, and in 2021 the pilot project has been extended to fixed nets and pots based on voluntary approach.

2. Section B1: Catch based management

Four fisheries are managed through catch based management approach in Croatia.

- **Bluefin tuna:** TAC is set at the level of ICCAT and allocated among the CPCs. National quota for 2021 was set by the Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92 and amounted to 950,3 tons of which up to 857,28 tons for farming purposes. This quota was nationally allocated to commercial fleets: PS and HL fleet with the quantity also allocated to by-catch from commercial vessels not authorised for BFT fishery, and non-commercial fleets: sports, recreational and scientific. After PS fishing season the remaining quota of 16,79 tons was allocated to HL segment. Total amount of catch in 2021 was 907,6 tons (95,5% of the total quota).
- **Swordfish:** in line with the ICCAT recommendation 16-05, the Croatian Administration established the national list of vessels authorised to fish for swordfish and regulated the use of fishing gears; Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92 has set a total quota of 14,16 tons for 2021 for Croatia. This quota may only be fished from 1 April to 31 December. After two quota swaps (+16,821 tons from Spain + 25 tons from Greece), the adjusted Croatian SWO quota was 55,981 tons for 2021. Total amount of catch in 2021 was 25,337 tons (45,3% of adjusted quota). Croatia applies approach of allocating individual quota per vessel for swordfish LL fishery, while swordfish HL fishery operates under the “Olympic” system with only the overall quota for the segment set.
- **Small pelagic species in Adriatic Sea:** in December 2016, for the first time, the Council set a catch limit for the EU concerning small pelagic species in the Adriatic Sea for 2017 (namely 112.700 tonnes of Small pelagic species (Anchovy and Sardine) *Engraulis encrasicolus* and *Sardina pilchardus* - Annex II of Regulation 2017/127). Furthermore, the Recommendation GFCM/42/2018/8 set an obligation to progressively over a three-year period (2019-2021) decrease the level of the catches of sardine and anchovy by 5% annually starting with the level

of catches reported for 2014. This obligation for 2021 was transposed into EU legislation by way of Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/90 (Annex IV) which has for 2021 set a maximum catch limit for sardine and anchovy in Adriatic for EU Member States (Croatia, Italy and Slovenia) to a level of 96.625 tons.

- **Red coral (*Corallium rubrum*):** Exploitation of red coral in Croatia is regulated according to Recommendation GFCM/43/2019/4 and Council Regulation (EU) 2021/90 which set the maximum number of fishing authorisations (28) and annual harvest limits for red coral (1,226 tons). National legislation further limits number of fishing authorizations to 10 fishing vessels, and reduces the national catch limit to 850 kg in 2021.

As the TACs are only applicable for the Bluefin tuna and swordfish stocks in case of Croatia, the measures related to this particular fleet are stemming from the relevant recommendations of the ICCAT. This means that BFT and SWO fleets are under a strict capacity regime, which guarantees that the capacity is in line with the availability of the resources.

Bluefin tuna farming represents one of the pillars of the national fishing sector in general and significantly determines the Croatian mariculture. Investment in this segment proved to be economically very successful in the past. However, decreasing trend has been noted with regards to the price on the market of destination (Japan) which was partially compensated with the increase of the volume of production. Four companies are engaged in tuna farming in Croatia, three of which are in the Zadar and one in the Split area. Total Croatian farming capacity is limited to the capacity of 7.880 tons as reported to ICCAT 1 July 2008. Croatian maximum input of wild caught Bluefin tuna into its farms was limited to 2.947 tons in accordance with level of the input quantities registered with ICCAT by Croatian farms in 2006.

According to the capacity plan for 2021, a total of 18 vessels were authorized to participate in the BFT PS fishery, and 12 vessels were authorized to participate in commercial HL fishery. The criteria for allocation of individual quotas took into account historical data regarding participation in this fishery and the overall quota. The system of allocation of individual quota was changed in 2019 and should ensure stability for the fleet that met the criteria for a period of 10 years. Introduction of new vessels into the PS and HL commercial BFT fleet depends on the total allocation on regional and subsequently national level.

HL quota has been allocated to 12 hooks and line vessels. Total quota of 90 tons was allocated to this segment and individual quotas was assigned to each vessel.

After amendments due to the withdrawal of the UK from EU total Croatian BFT quota for 2021 was 950,3t and it was initially distributed among the fishing fleets as follows:

- 833,46t for PS fleet
- 90t to HL/LL fleet
- 5t to sport fishing
- 12,5t to recreational fishing
- 8,34t to bycatch
- 1t to fishing for scientific purposes

After PS fishing season remaining quota (16,79 tons) was allocated to HL/LL fleet. Thus, the quota for HL/LL segment for 2021 amounted 106,79 tons.

As Croatia is a tuna farming country, and all catch of purse seine fisheries is transferred to farming cages, there is no landing of purse seines as such, therefore in the further analysis only catch data is considered. Estimation of value of fish caught using average Bluefin tuna price is not appropriate since quota is caught within Joint fishing operation, and it is mostly owned by the farms and not the vessels. This means that the value of catch does not represent vessel income. At the same time majority of vessels are owned by the farming company or they are contracted by and working in cooperation with farm company.

As for MED SWO fishery, total MED SWO quota at disposal to Croatia for 2021 was 55,981 (after receiving 39.160 tons from ES and EL through swap) and it was initially distributed among the fishing fleets as follows:

- commercial LL fleet (49.981t)
- commercial HL fleet (4,5t)
- by-catch (1,5t)

Catches of SWO amounted to 25,337 in 2021. The total number of vessels authorised for LL MED SWO fishing was 20 and for HL Med SWO fishing 20.

Regarding the small pelagic fishery, fleet capacity is frozen pursuant to Recommendation GFCM/40/2016/3 to the level of active purse seine fleet in 2014. In 2021 there were total of 168 vessels authorised for fishing with purse seine net for small pelagic stocks “srdelara” out of which 149 were active. In 2021, Croatian authorised fleet for purse seine net “srdelara” caught a total of 52.129,37 tonnes of sardine and anchovy according to preliminary data. Even though catch of anchovy gradually increased in the period , 27% less catch of sardine and anchovy was reported in 2021 in comparison to baseline year 2014, and 15% less than average catch in the period between 2014 and 2020 (Table 8). Overall catch of sardine and anchovy in the observed period was at its lowest in 2021.

Table 8. Catch reduction in purse seine net “srdelara” in the period 2014-2021.

Small pelagic species	Catch in purse seine net "srdelara" (tonnes)								Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 21 to avg. 14-20	Δ 2021 to 2014
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
Sardine	61.011,47	51.743,06	54.339,44	48.400,47	46.255,56	45.138,28	50.148,17	40.503,66	-19%	-21%	-34%
Anchovy	10.127,28	12.788,92	8.232,34	10.875,09	13.253,17	7.997,00	9.783,13	11.625,72	19%	11%	15%
Σ	71.138,75	64.531,99	62.571,78	59.275,55	59.508,73	53.135,28	59.931,30	52.129,37	-13%	-15%	-27%

In the context of the GFCM Multiannual Management Plan for Red Coral in the Mediterranean Sea (Recommendation GFCM/43/2019/4) fishing opportunities for 2021 for union vessels are set in accordance with Council Regulation (EU) 2021/90, which introduced a maximum number of fishing authorisations and harvest limits for red coral. For Croatia, maximum number of fishing authorisations is 28, i.e. number of vessels and/or divers, or a pair of one diver with one vessel, authorised to harvest red coral, and maximum level of harvested quantities of red coral 1,226 tonnes. Taking into account the conservation status (CR) of red coral in Croatia, national catch limit was further reduced to 850 kg for 2021. Catch limits are determined per authorized vessel. In 2021, specific authorizations for red coral have been issued to 10 vessels and are valid from 1 April 2021 until 30 June 2022 (Decision on authorization of vessels for harvesting red coral valid until 30 June 2022, OG 32/2021).

Furthermore, Ordinance on commercial fishing at sea by diving (OG 30/2021) defined closures for red coral, in accordance with available biological information and ongoing national study on biology and distribution of red coral, and introduced conditions for harvesting (areas, depth, gears etc.). Several mechanisms are prescribed to facilitate monitoring and inspection, including electronic real time catch reporting, prior notification on arrival to port, limited number of landing places (11 fishing ports).

2. Section B2: Impact on fishing capacity of fishing effort reduction schemes adopted under multiannual management or recovery plans and under national schemes

2.1 Statement of effort reduction schemes

In 2018, Croatia has finalised the withdrawal of the vessels from the fleet under the EMFF. In addition an array of measures for spatial and temporal restrictions of fleet activities were implemented. These were based on a complex scheme of closed areas, temporal closures, different technical measures applicable in different areas and overall managing of the effort in all segments.

Since October 2013, exploitation of sardine and anchovy is regulated by the GFCM-level management plan for small pelagic stocks in GSA 17, and the amendments to this plan as well as emergency measures pursuant to it were adopted in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2018. All vessels actively fishing for anchovies and sardines in GSA 17 are subject to the provisions of this plan. In terms of effort management, the vessels

fishing actively for small pelagics have a limit of activity of 20 days per month with a total maximum of 180 days per year, with additional annual limit of 144 days for vessels targeting anchovies and 144 days for vessels targeting sardines. The limitation of days has a direct consequence on the effort. Furthermore, in 2021 (as per provisions from 2018) spatial and temporal closures were implemented in this fishery.

On national level in 2021, temporal closures included a total of 84 days of closure for entire PS fleet targeting sardine and anchovy and were as follows:

1. From 1 January to 15 February, (targeting the spawning period of sardine) – entire fleet targeting small pelagics, entire area, total of 46 days.
2. From 1 to 30 May (targeting the spawning period of anchovy) – entire fleet targeting small pelagics, entire area, total of 30 days.
3. From 24 to 31 December (targeting the spawning period of sardine) – entire fleet targeting small pelagics, entire area, total of 8 days.

This spatio-temporal restriction mechanism resulted with a total of 84 days of closure for the entire PS fleet. In comparison to the GFCM management framework, this was 24 days more than the binding obligation. The described scheme was implemented in addition to the national scheme of spatio-temporal restrictions in channel areas through restrictions for vessels over 12 m which lasted 10 and half months in continuity.

Although fishing days slightly increased in 2021, the effect of effort management is a reduction in the number of fishing days by 17% in 2021 in the purse seine fleet compared to 2014 (Table 9.1.). As a result, catch of sardine and anchovy decreased by 27% in 2021 (Table 8), while the overall decrease in the catch of small pelagic fish in 2021 is 24% compared to baseline year 2014 (Table 7.2).

Table 9.1. Effort reduction in the purse seine fleet (PS) during the period 2014-2021 (baseline year: 2014).

Fleet segment	Fishing days									Δ 2021 to avg. 14-20	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to 2014
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
PS	VL0612	3.469	3.046	2.728	2.934	3.007	3.169	2.953	2.569	-16%	-13%	-26%
	VL1218	4.976	4.210	4.190	3.908	4.053	3.874	4.453	4.496	6%	1%	-10%
	VL1824	8.526	6.723	7.891	7.609	6.674	6.455	5.963	6.422	-10%	8%	-25%
	VL2440	11.289	10.128	12.085	11.283	10.022	9.694	9.214	10.110	-4%	10%	-10%
Total	28.260	24.107	26.894	25.734	23.756	23.192	22.583	23.597		-5%	4%	-17%

For bottom trawlers, in 2021 temporal closure was implemented in period from 20 September to 19 October (EMFF fund) (total of 30 days) in the fishing zones C and D and part of the fishing zone E. Also, in 2021 Croatia implemented an emergency measure of total ban of bottom trawl fishery in zone C of Jabuka Pomo Pit FRA in period from 12 June to 12 July 2021 to ensure avoiding catches of juvenile demersal species (hake and monkfish). Number of fishing days decreased by only 1% in 2021 compared to 2020, the effect of catch/effort management was a 7% reduction in the number of fishing days in 2021 in the DTS fleet compared to baseline year 2015 (Table 9.2.). As a result, in 2021 total catch of demersal species in the bottom trawl net was reduced by 11% compared to average catch in the period 2015-2020, and by 16% compared to 2015 (Table 9.3.).

Table 9.2. Effort reduction in the demersal trawl and demersal seine fleet (DTS) during the period 2015-2021 (baseline year: 2015).

Fleet segment	Fishing days								Δ 2021 to avg. 15-20	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to 2015
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
DTS	VL0612	13.842	12.235	15.154	13.362	12.290	13.854	13.237	-2%	-4%	-4%
	VL1218	16.761	16.346	17.027	17.659	15.736	16.261	15.518	-7%	-5%	-7%
	VL1824	4.370	4.887	4.556	4.207	4.649	4.169	4.859	9%	17%	11%
	VL2440	3.019	2.303	2.089	1.737	1.731	1.520	1.751	-15%	15%	-42%
Total	37.992	35.771	38.826	36.965	34.406	35.804	35.365		-3%	-1%	-7%

Table 9.3. Catch reduction in bottom trawl net in the period 2015-2021.

Demersal species	Catch in demersal trawl (tonnes)							Δ 2021 to avg. 15-20	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to 2015
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
Total catch	4.361,63	3.988,47	4.224,54	4.046,49	3.962,28	3.959,81	3.650,63	-11%	-8%	-16%

It is important to note that in 2019, a Recommendation GFCM/43/2019/5 on a multiannual management plan for sustainable demersal fisheries in the Adriatic Sea (geographical subareas 17 and 18) was adopted. This Recommendation includes a comprehensive set of management measures aiming at achieving sustainable demersal fishing activities in the Adriatic Sea. Among other, the Recommendation sets an effort regime imposing an obligation to decrease the effort proportionally to the impact of a certain country to the status of the resources against the total effort in the reference year in the area by the gear group, as reported through GFCM Data Collection Reference Framework (DCRF) Task V-2. This provision is transposed into the EU acquis by way of Regulation (EU) 2021/90 which sets an overall quota of fishing days for Croatia for 2021 to a total of 38.148 days for demersal trawl (OTB). It should be noted here that some methodological differences exist in calculation and presentation of fishing days according to DCF and DCRF and that the information on fishing days for a particular gear calculated according to these two separate methodologies are not directly comparable. In addition, it should be noted that the information presented in the table 9.2 represent data for fishing segments and thus include information on fishing days made with gears other than OTB.

Pursuant to the national legislation in force, a diverse set of fisheries management measures is in place in Croatia, including: temporal and spatial restrictions for certain fishing gears; engine power restrictions in certain areas and temporal and spatial restrictions and closures for certain species during their spawning periods. Restrictions are permanent in some areas, and some restrictions cover significant parts of internal waters and territorial sea. In line with scientific advice, trawling is under strict temporal and spatial restriction regime, particularly in internal waters while a no-take zone for bottom trawling has been established in the area of the Jabuka/Pomo Pit for a three-year period (ending on 31 December 2020) pursuant to Recommendation GFCM/41/2017/3. This FRA area includes a no-take zone (zona A, Figure 5) where all types of commercial bottom fisheries (bottom trawls, bottom set nets, traps, set longlines) as well as recreational fishery are forbidden and zones with a restricted management of fishing activities for HR and IT fleets (zone B and C, Figure 5). In addition, Recommendation GFCM/42/2018/8, starting from 2019, prohibits fishing activities with purse seines for small pelagics in Jabuka/Pomo Pit area. The FRA area has been further strengthened within the Recommendation GFCM/43/2019/5 which contains a provision that prevents the automatic re-opening of the area after 31 December 2020 in the absence of an adequate FRA regulation, but rather expands the no-take zone to the entire FRA area. In FRA zone C, only Croatian fleet is authorised for operation with bottom trawls (51) and bottom set longlines (12). There were no authorised vessels to operate in the area with nets and traps. Effort in the area is limited by way of allowing authorised bottom trawls to operate only on weekends (Saturdays and Sundays from 05:00 to 22:00) and for authorised bottom set longlines from Monday to Thursday (from 05:00 to 22:00). For 2021 roll-over mechanism enabled the implementation of the Recommendation GFCM/41/2017/3 until 31 December 2021.

For the purpose of managing of resources in line with the provisions of the Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006, national management plans were adopted for purse seine net “srdelara” and trawl nets in 2014, and PS “srdelara” MP was revised in 2017. Furthermore, management plans for shore seines and small purse seines were implemented based upon the approval of derogations from October 2018 until October 2021. This regime continues to apply for shore seines for picarel and shore seines of small mesh size from October 2021 until October 2023. The management plans adopted contain provisions on future developments in capacity and effort management for these gears, including temporal and spatial closures and authorisation of fishing license holders.

Croatia is implementing the National program for control, monitoring and surveillance of the GFCM management plans. In respect to the program and in order to ensure that effort restrictions were followed, vessels were continuously monitored via VMS within the Fisheries Monitoring Centre and data was crosschecked with electronic logbook and sales notes data. The inspection was notified immediately upon reaching monthly and annual effort limits. In addition to elements as required by the Basic regulation, the information on fish size of sardine and anchovy was added to the e-logbook for purse

seiners. As fisheries in Croatia are managed through national fishing zones, fish size is an important element in terms of indirect monitoring of the stocks. As this data is linked with VMS data, the indication of the movement of fish of a certain size in certain periods and fishing zones is obtained. The analysis of VMS for purse seine fishery combined with the catch data, particularly size indicated through pcs per kg, is conducted continuously from 2016 to 2020 indicated that sardine of smaller size is more densely distributed in the inner fishing zones, while larger vessels able to venture further from the shore target larger sizes of sardine. As a fully recognised biological feature this represented the basis for the spatio-temporal restrictions in inner waters and consequent redistribution of effort directing thus the bulk of capacity towards the open waters with more favourable size structure of the catch.

2.2 Impact on fishing capacity of effort reduction schemes

The GFCM plan for small pelagic species in the Adriatic limits the capacity to the level corresponding to the capacity of all pelagic trawlers and purse seiners fishing actively for small pelagic stocks in 2014. Effort management measures are foreseen under the plan. The plan was further amended in 2014, 2015, 2016 and in 2018 setting additional effort limitations for vessels targeting anchovies and introducing additional obligations of spatial and temporal closures, as well as reduction of catch limit in comparison to 2014.

The GFCM multiannual plan for demersal fishery in the Adriatic (2020-2026) is based on control of fishing effort and foresees establishing of effort quota on an annual basis per CPC.

3. Section C: Statement of compliance with entry / exit scheme and with level of reference

Croatia did not have a capacity ceiling prior to the accession to the EU and its capacity was initially fixed at the levels as at the date of accession. The capacity ceilings and capacity reduction is shown in the table below (Table 10).

The ceiling in 2021 is 48.759,83 GT and 405.211,48 kW.

Table 10. Capacity ceilings as of date of accession to the EU.

CAPACITY CEILING	Total GT	Total kW	Capacity reduction	Cumulative reduction (from 1 st July 2013)	Measure of reduction
1 July 2013	53.452,00	426.064,00	None	None	None
31 Dec 2014	53.452,00	426.064,00	None	None	None
31 Dec 2015	52.187,32	421.383,90	1.264,68 GT 4.680,10 kW	2,37 % GT 1,10 % kW	PCFA EFF
31 Dec 2016	51.287,52	416.877,28	899,80 GT 4.506,62 kW	4,05 % GT 2,16 % kW	PCFA EMFF
31 Dec 2017	49.797,12	410.739,93	1.490,40 GT 6.119,35 kW	6,84 % GT 3,60 % kW	PCFA EMFF
31 Dec 2018	48.759,83	405.211,48	1.037,29 GT 5.546,45 kW	8,77 % GT 4,48 % kW	PCFA EMFF
31 Dec 2019	48.759,83	405.211,48	None	8,77 % GT 4,48 % kW	None
31 Dec 2020	48.759,83	405.211,48	None	8,77 % GT 4,48 % kW	None
31 Dec 2021	48.759,83	405.211,48	None	8,77 % GT 4,48 % kW	None

PCFA - Permanent cessation of fishing activities

The entering of the new capacity in the fleet (without public aid) is compensated by prior capacity withdrawal (without public aid) of at least equal amount. Vessels exiting the fleet are replaced by other vessels in line with the provisions of the Marine Fisheries Act and the Ordinance on the fishing license for commercial fishing at sea and fishing license register, in line with the fleet policy requirements.

Croatia ensures that the fishing capacity of its fleet does not exceed at any time the fishing capacity ceilings set in accordance with the provisions of the CFP.

Effective reduction of capacity in PS and DTS segments took place in line with the Action plan submitted in 2015 as well as its revisions for 2016, 2017 and 2018, which included measures for permanent withdrawal within the scope of EMFF OP. The targeted date for achieving these results under the EMFF was end of 2018. Other measures in terms of activity regulation are foreseen in relevant RFMOs' and national legislation.

Overall, Croatia complies with the entry/exit scheme and the level of reference.

4. Section D: Summary report on the weaknesses and strengths of the fleet management system together with a plan for improvements and information on the general level of compliance with fleet policy instruments

4.1 Summary of weaknesses and strengths of fleet management system

In 2014, two management plans were adopted, the one for purse seines and the one for bottom trawlers. During 2017 MP for purse seine "srdelara" was revised and adopted for the next period. Management plans for shore seine nets and for small purse seine nets including the requested derogations were approved for period October 2018 – October 2021. Derogations included approaching the shore, operating over the seagrass beds and using gears with mesh sizes smaller than the minimums set by the Mediterranean Regulation. Pursuant to the plans adopted and requested derogations approved, management measures were implemented in 2018 for a limited number of vessels. Plan for shore seines was revised in 2021 and new plan enabled extending a derogation regarding the minimum distance from coast, the minimum sea depth and the prohibition to fish in protected habitats for shore seine 'girarica' and 'migavica' for a limited number of vessels. Using shore seine 'šabakun' is forbidden from 26 October 2021. Derogations for small purse seines expired on 26 October 2021, therefore until approving new management plan, fishing operations are allowed in accordance with Mediterranean Regulation. The Management plans contain numerous measures, including the effort and capacity management coupled with technical measures. The implementation of the OP for EMFF also contributed to achievement of positive result in terms of fleet management. The impact of capacity reduction through permanent cessation scheme and authorisation process can clearly be observed in effort reduction for PS and DTS segments and overall catch of these segments as a consequence.

Fleet management in Croatia has always been based on effort management rather than capacity management. Effort is regulated through numerous technical provisions as well as through a complex set of temporal and spatial prohibitions and closed areas.

Given the structure of Croatian fleet, whereby the largest share of active vessels use fixed nets and similar gears, it is strongly believed that capacity based management might not be the right option for these segments. This fleet operates locally and only part-time, which in terms of fleet management does not necessarily mean that the capacity can be matched with the resources easily. The activity of the fleet and their total catches do not indicate significant impact on the resources as the overall number of active days of coastal gears is far less than the one in trawl segment, Croatia firmly believes that significant impact on the status of the resources could be achieved by measures focusing on the trawl segment rather than on the fixed nets segment.

Croatia has adopted the basic rules for entry/exit scheme, and adjusted all the elements of fleet register in accordance with the EU requirements. This relates among other things to fleet segmentation in the register.

Since fleets of different Member States exploit the resources in the GSA 17, close sub-regional approach is required in order to achieve the balance of the fleets, particularly in small pelagic fisheries and in bottom trawl fisheries. A long cooperation at the level of scientific and administrative level exists in the GSA 17, and management framework for small pelagic and demersal species in the area was developed in close cooperation of the three MSs. Croatia believes that the regional approach is one of the key elements in order to maintain sustainable levels of exploitation.

Croatia emphasizes the need to invest further efforts into gaining a clearer picture of stocks distribution, in particular if sub-stocks have been identified. With the distribution of the fleet and its activity, some of the elements contained in the analysis of harvest indicators might need considerations, given the gaps

in data available. This can have an effect on future assessments of biological indicators, which may be linked with general assessment of balance of fleets to the resources. It is believed that effort management measures and technical measures are a more suitable tool in maintaining and/or achieving the sustainable levels of exploitation at the level of GSA 17.

In 2015 Italy and Croatia adopted joint management measures at the national level establishing no-take zone for bottom trawls in the area of Jabuka/Pomo Pit. This regime was introduced from July 2015 to October 2016 after which regime was modified and more stringent one has been established for the three year period. On the top of national legislations this new regime was also recognised by the GFCM Recommendation 41/2017/3 on the establishment of a fisheries restricted area in the Jabuka/Pomo Pit in the Adriatic Sea. The regime thus established was prolonged for an indefinite period by way of the Recommendation GFCM/44/2021/2. This is the first FRA area in the Adriatic and an important measure for demersal fishery which will have significant impact on the fleets. Croatia believes that the bottom-up approach used for establishing the FRA area in Jabuka/Pomo Pit represents an excellent example of efficient management coordinated at all levels – scientific, sectorial and administrative and should be applied as such in all future efforts of establishing FRA area in the Adriatic and elsewhere.

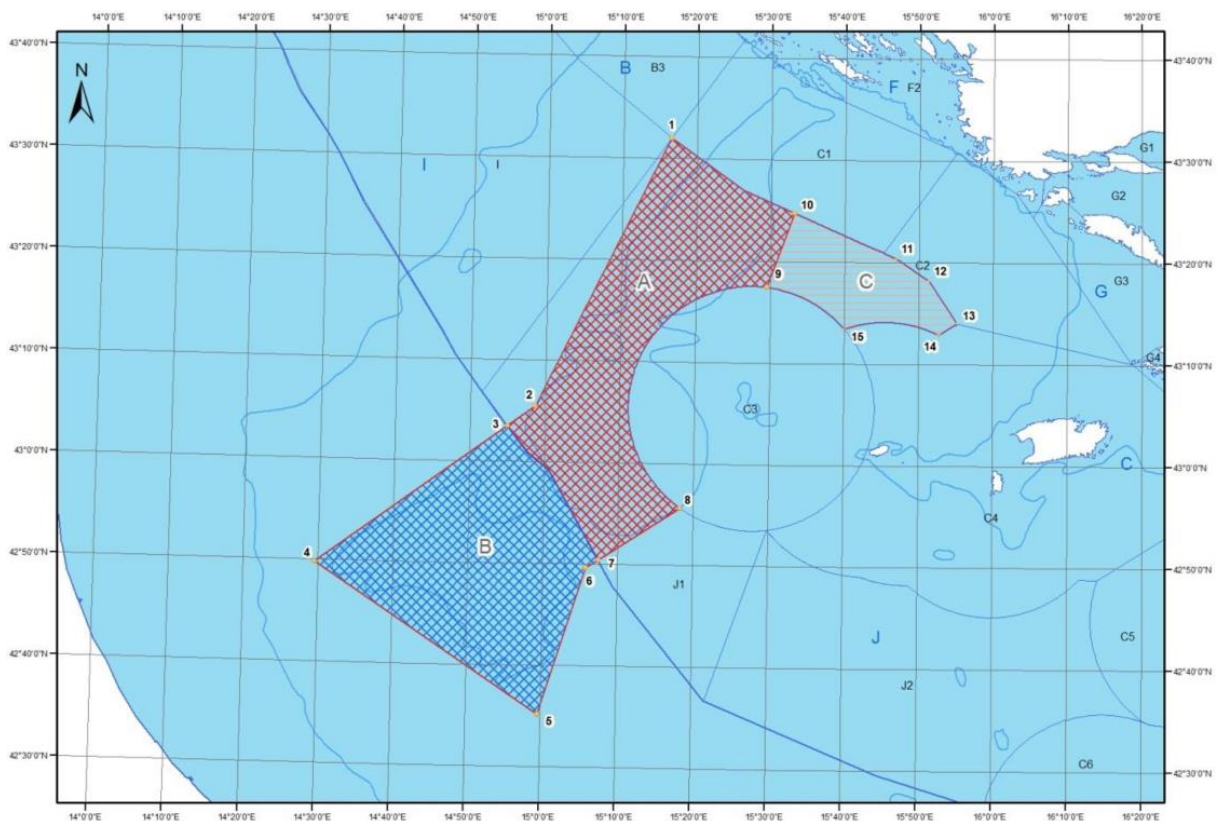


Figure 5. Jabuka/Pomo Pit FRA (1:750.000) (Recommendation GFCM/41/2017/3 and OG 106/2019).

4.2 Plan for improvements in fleet management system

With the adoption of management plans for purse seines and bottom trawls, it has become possible to issue authorizations based on historical record and activity in these fisheries. For the first authorisation process that took place in 2014 and 2015 Croatia defined criteria as minimal fishing activities in preceding period from 1 July 2009 – 30 June 2014. Authorisations were issued for period of consecutive 3 years. As a result of the first authorisation process there were a total of 729 special fishing authorizations, out of which 480 for bottom trawls and 249 for purse seines. Given that some vessels had authorizations for both gears, the total number of authorised vessels is less.

For the second authorisation process that began in 2017 stricter criteria have been set in terms of minimum fishing activity for each fleet segment in the period from 1 July 2014 – 1 November 2017. As a result, total of 520 special fishing authorizations, out of which 351 for bottom trawls and 169 for purse seines. Further capacity reduction was addressed through permanent cessation of fishing activities measures that were implemented under the current OP and envisaged for implementation under the EMFF. Croatia intends to further develop the national legal framework in terms of application of the

entry-exit scheme. Provisions on effort restrictions in the fleets targeting anchovies and sardines are also expected to show the results in subsequent years. In October 2020 new authorization process for purse seine and bottom trawl net extended issued authorizations until 30 June 2022.

With the adoption of management plans for shore seine nets and for small purse seine nets it became possible to issue authorization for limited number of vessels as defined in MPs. Fishing activity in period from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2012 for shore seine nets and from 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2016 for small purse seine were main criteria for issuing the authorization. At the end, total of 87 authorisations were issued for shore seine fishery (all vessels are smaller than 12m LOA and 85 kW) and 52 authorisations for small purse seine fishery. With the new authorization process started in October 2021 authorised fleet remained the same in size. Given that some vessels have authorizations for more than one type of gear, the total number of authorised vessels is less.

4.3 Information on general level of compliance with fleet policy instruments

The key legal instrument governing fleet management in Croatia is the Marine Fisheries Act (OG 62/2017, 130/2017 and 14/2019), which is fully in line with current EU legislation. It also contains the key administrative elements, stipulating the key bodies and their activities. Also, the Act provides for the measures of fleet licencing and fleet registration. Pursuant to the Act, a specific Ordinance governing the issue of fleet licencing and licence transfer (OG 116/2017, 29/2018, 75/2018 and 38/2019) as well as Fleet register and entry-exit provisions (OG 5/2019) have been adopted. In administrative sense, the provisions of these two instruments constitute the key framework for fleet management. The Act and the Ordinances contain also numerous provisions guaranteeing the compliance with the fleet policy in general. As the instrument of control, Croatia operates a rather complex system of verifications at the level of general fleet registration (as applicable to all merchant vessels) and at the level of specific provisions on fishing fleet (i.e. engine certification). National control and inspection schemes and programs have been adopted in order to closely follow the fleet in terms of effort management. The most important one relates to the management plan for small pelagic species in GSA 17, for which very specific provisions apply.

Croatia in general complies with the fleet policy instruments.

5. Section E: Information on changes of the administrative procedures relevant to fleet management

Administrative procedures relevant to the management of the fishing fleet remained in 2019 the same as in previous years. The process of authorisation of trawlers and purse seiners, which was implemented for the first time in 2014-2015, and repeated in 2017-2018, represents an additional management instrument for these fleets. Due to the fact that stricter criteria have been used in comparison to the first authorisation process the total number of issued authorisations is significantly reduced. The authorisation process for shore seines and small purse seines in 2018 resulted with reduction of active coastal fleet. In the table below are listed specific authorisations valid in 2021.

Table 11. Specific authorisations valid in 2021.

	Type of authorisation	Number in 2021
Authorisations issued by gear type in accordance with relevant national management plans	Demersal trawlers	350
	Purse seine net "srdelara"	168
	Purse seine net "ciparica"	36
	Purse seine net "igličara"	5
	Purse seine net "oližnica"	12
	Purse seine net "palamidara"	31
	Purse seine net "lokardara"	41
	Seine net "girarica"	13
	Seine net "migavica"	54
	Seine net "šabakun"	16
	Seine net "oližnica"	5

	Type of authorisation	Number in 2021
<i>Authorisations issued by vessel/gear type according to individual quota allocation</i>	Bluefin tuna purse seine (PS) vessels	18
	Bluefin tuna hook and line (HL) vessels	12
	Swordfish hook and line (HL) vessels	20
	Swordfish drifting longline (LL) vessels	20
<i>Authorisations issued by vessel/gear type in fisheries restricted area (FRA)</i>	Demersal trawlers in Jabuka (Pomo) Pit	51
	Set longliners in Jabuka (Pomo) Pit	12
<i>Other authorisations</i>	Small-scale vessels for personal needs (specific category)	3.748
	Red coral vessels	10

*"Number in 2021" refers to authorizations valid in 2021.

6. Section F: Estimation and discussion of balance indicators

The balance indicators were calculated according to the EC 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines (COM(2014)545) with the aim of identifying the overall trends by fishing method and LOA class and provide a national assessment on the balance between fishing capacity and fishing opportunities for each identified fleet segment. This section contains the indicators as they have been calculated using the results of the National Data Collection Programme under the Data Collection Framework (DCF) submitted to the EC following the Fleet Economic data call in 2022 for the period 2012-2021.

Technical indicators were calculated for the time period 2012-2021. For 2021, technical indicators were calculated for 28 clustered fleet segments out of which 23 were active and 5 were inactive segments. Economic indicators were calculated for the period 2012-2020 for 23 main (clustered) fleet segments that are consistent during the entire time period.

Some of the indicators, in particular some economic indicators, should be interpreted with caution. As Croatia has been a member of the EU since July 1st 2013, data is not available for a longer time series, therefore any conclusions on trends are limited. Croatian fisheries in some fleet segments include a variety of gears that were grouped in accordance with the DCF methodology, but in reality operate on highly seasonal and local basis with differing operational patterns. In these segments (DFN, HOK, FPO, MGO, PGO, PGP and PMP) socio-economic constraints and realities are particularly important, as these activities include primarily small vessels operating in coastal waters. The point of particular sensitivity is the issue of revenue and activity, whereby all vessels that were active for one day were included in the analysis. With this approach, the number of vessels seems to be disproportionately high in relation to any of the indicators, and in small-scale fleet segments indicates economical unviability in most cases. This approach should be taken with caution, as in most cases of small-scale fishermen the fishery is not the only source of income and they are usually active in a highly limited area or time, with negligible overall impact. The social dimension in such cases is strongly emphasised, as this forms a key element of national fisheries management scheme and policies. For certain fleet segments management measures are linked with a multi-gear and multi-species fishery that does not necessarily constitute a high-value or an industrial branch. In such cases, these vessels do not participate in catches and landings in real percentages even in relative terms, and hence the results of the indicators should be interpreted with caution in terms of assessment of balance status.

6.1 Technical indicators

The Inactive Vessel Indicator

The Inactive Vessel Indicator was calculated for five fleet segments for the period 2012-2021 (Table 12). The results of the Inactive Vessel Indicator show that the number of inactive vessels has further decreased in 2021 (-2% compared to 2020). In terms of percentage of inactive vessels, in 2020 and 2021 the inactive vessel indicator (IVI) is below the threshold level (19,6% vessels are inactive) for the first time in the period from 2012-2019. Most inactive vessels (17,4%) are shorter than 12 meters (627 vessels in VL0006 and 724 in VL0612), while only a small percentage of the large scale fleet was inactive (2,2%) in 2021. As a consequence of the inclusion of small-scale vessels previously categorised for personal needs, a high majority of these inactive vessels have passive gears listed in their licenses (inactive gillnet and trammel net fleet segments).

The segment of vessels up to 12 m LOA, which had the highest percentage of inactive vessels in 2021 (17,4% in number), was most affected with inclusion of small scale vessels previously categorised for personal needs in 2015. Decrease of inactive vessels in this segment is a result of gradual issuing licenses for small-scale vessels for personal needs that progressed since 2015 enabling gradual activation of these vessels. Compared to 2015 the number of inactive vessels was reduced by 69% in 2021.

The overall Inactive Vessel Indicator needs to be considered against the applicable rules and technical measures in Croatia. In addition, since even the active fleet in this segment does not use fisheries as the main source of income, the inactive licenses are in most cases kept as the given right rather than the actual activity element, as the owners in all cases have other sources of income. The legal and technical frameworks in Croatia imply a right assigned to the owner without the requirement of activity. This in turn results in a situation whereby the license owners do not depend on this activity directly for the time being, but need to keep on the possibility (particularly since the national legal framework does not allow for any ceasing of rights issued).

In accordance with the Croatian national legal system, there is no obligation of activity of the vessel. The licence is issued under certain conditions but these do not include the obligation of a minimum activity for maintaining it. Furthermore, Croatian national legal system allows for a temporary inactivity while the rights stemming from the licence are not withdrawn. As a result of this system, high percentage of inactive vessels in some segments should not be considered as overcapacity because fishery is not their main activity or economic interest. Gradual decreasing trend since 2015 can be observed for SSCF segments due to the activation of a specific category of small-scale vessels for personal needs (previously “subsistence” vessels) in the PGP fleet segment while LSF segments show no significant trends. Therefore the potential threat to delay or hamper the measures of bringing capacity in line with the available fishing opportunities is minimal. According to results of the Inactive Vessel Indicator there is no overcapacity detected in any of the inactive fleet vessel length categories in 2021.

Table 12. Inactive Vessel Indicator (IVI) in 2012-2021.

Proportion of inactive vessels to the total HRV fleet; provided as % in number, % in engine power (kW) and % in gross tonnage (GT). Values > 20% highlighted red (as according to the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines)

Fleet segment	No. inactive vessels as % of total vessels										Δ 21 to avg. 15-20	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to 2015
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
VL0006	15,4	16,1	17,2	22,7	12,6	11,3	8,9	8,7	8,5	8,1	-33%	-5%	-64%
VL0612	14,3	15,6	16,7	39,0	16,3	14,1	10,2	9,5	9,1	9,3	-43%	2%	-76%
VL1218	2,1	2,2	2,4	1,3	1,4	1,2	1,3	1,4	1,3	1,3	-4%	-4%	-4%
VL1824	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,4	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,4	-3%	-2%	-2%
VL2440	0,9	1,0	1,0	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,6	0,5	0,5	0,5	-7%	-5%	-13%
Total	33,3	35,6	38,1	64,0	31,3	27,5	21,6	20,6	19,9	19,6	-36%	-2%	-69%
Fleet segment	Inactive kW as % of fleet kW										Δ 21 to avg. 15-20	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to 2015
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
VL0006	2,5	2,5	2,8	7,0	3,9	3,7	2,5	2,5	2,4	2,3	-36%	-4%	-67%
VL0612	12,7	14,0	14,4	25,9	18,0	18,1	14,6	14,7	13,9	14,3	-18%	3%	-45%
VL1218	3,8	4,0	4,4	3,4	4,2	3,8	4,4	4,9	4,4	4,3	2%	-3%	25%
VL1824	1,7	2,0	2,1	1,8	2,0	2,0	2,6	2,1	2,2	2,2	4%	-1%	21%
VL2440	5,8	6,3	6,1	4,7	4,6	4,3	5,7	5,0	5,3	5,3	7%	0%	14%
Total	26,5	28,8	29,9	42,7	32,8	31,9	29,7	29,1	28,2	28,4	-12%	1%	-33%
Fleet segment	Inactive GT as % of fleet GT										Δ 21 to avg. 15-20	Δ 2021 to 2020	Δ 2021 to 2015
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
VL0006	1,5	1,5	1,7	4,4	2,2	2,1	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,4	-36%	-5%	-68%
VL0612	5,1	5,6	5,9	16,0	8,6	8,4	6,5	6,3	6,0	6,1	-29%	2%	-62%
VL1218	3,6	3,7	4,1	3,6	4,3	3,9	4,2	4,5	4,2	4,0	-3%	-6%	10%
VL1824	2,9	3,5	3,6	3,4	3,5	3,6	4,7	3,8	3,9	3,9	2%	-2%	16%
VL2440	13,8	15,2	14,7	11,9	11,9	11,2	13,9	12,8	12,9	12,6	1%	-2%	6%
Total	26,9	29,5	30,0	39,2	30,5	29,2	30,7	28,9	28,5	28,0	-10%	-2%	-29%

The Vessel Utilization Indicator

The vessel utilisation indicators (VUR and VUR220) shown in Tables 13 were calculated using maximum observed days for each clustered fleet segment (VUR) and theoretical maximum days (VUR220) ([Annex I.A](#)). Taking into account the methodological and data-availability considerations in mind, as well as the limitations of the indicator itself, the results indicate that the segments have rather stable activity levels over the years.

VUR was calculated for 23 clustered fleet segments in 2021, of which:

- 8 appear to be in balance, of which one segment is 6 – 12 m in length and 7 segments are above 12 m LOA,
- 15 appear not to be in balance, of which 14 are segments 0 – 12 m in length and only one above 12 m LOA.

Trends were calculated for 23 segments, of which:

- none displayed an increasing trend,
- 2 displayed a declining trend,
- 16 displayed no significant trend,
- 5 displayed flat/null trend.

VUR220 was calculated for 23 clustered fleet segments in 2020, of which:

- 4 appear to be in balance, all of which are above 18 m LOA,
- 19 appear not to be in balance, of which 15 are segments 0 – 12 m in length and only 4 above 12 m LOA.

Trends were calculated for 23 segments, of which:

- none displayed an increasing trend,
- none displayed a declining trend,
- 20 displayed no significant trend,
- 3 displayed flat/null trend.

Among length classes of all gear groups a different situation can be observed, from most homogenous (PSVL1824, PSVL2440 and DTSVL2440) to very low values of utilisation indicator (PGP, MGO). This can be explained by different nature and areas of operation of the vessels, as well as by different operational realities in some gears used in Croatia. Furthermore, for some small gears, this also indicates and confirms the specific realities of highly seasonal and highly small-scale approach to the activity. In the most significant segments we can notice that PS segments are rather stable over the past years with slight improvement. This can be explained by the introduction of effort management measures in terms of limiting number of total fishing days targeting small pelagic species. Regarding DTS segments situation is stable with slight improvement in all length classes. Some changes between years are also affected by the changes in the number of vessels which change segments over the years based on their gear activity.

Similarly as for the inactive vessel indicator, the results of this indicator need to be considered in view of the fleet structure and its activity. Again, it should be noted that particularly in smaller fleet segments fishing activities do not represent the only source of income, and rarely are the main one. Due to this fact, in those segments even though the indicator shows values less than 0,7 it is considered that it is not really a sign of imbalance. This particularly holds true for FPO, HOK and MGO segments with vessels of less than 12 meters. With the seasonal character of the vessels, and their overall characteristics of operations, VUI is calculated against the parts of the fleet that are in fact more dependent on this activity than majority.

Vessel utilisation indicators are not applicable in case of PGP segments which are mainly constituted of vessels falling in the specific category for personal needs, since these segments are managed separately from the main commercial fleet, through gear and catch restrictions.

Table 13.1. Vessel utilisation ratio (VUR) calculated using observed maximum sea days on a vessel level for the period 2012-2021.

VUR calculated as: average days at sea per vessel / maximum days at sea at fleet segment level

Traffic light system: 0.7 < red; 0.7 ≥ yellow > 0.9; ≥ 0.9 green

Trend analysed for the period 2012-2021, using the slope equation and a 5% threshold to indicate significance, as: Slope > 0.05 increasing;

Slope < -0.05 decreasing; -0.05 < Slope < 0.05 no significant trend and slope = 0 flat/null trend

Fleet segment		Vessel Utilization Ratio (VUR)										No vessels 2021	Trend 2021	Trend 2012-2021	Status 2021
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
DFN	VL0006	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	343	flat/null trend		out of balance
DFN	VL0612	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	676	no significant trend		out of balance
DFN	VL1218	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,7	18	no significant trend		in balance
DRB	VL0612	1,0	0,8	0,8	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,9	0,9	1,0	9	no significant trend		in balance
DRB	VL1218	0,9	0,8	0,8	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	16	no significant trend		in balance
DTS	VL0612	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	141	no significant trend		out of balance
DTS	VL1218	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	155	no significant trend		out of balance
DTS	VL1824	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,7	29	no significant trend		in balance
DTS	VL2440	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	9	no significant trend		in balance
FPO	VL0006	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	48	no significant trend		out of balance
FPO	VL0612	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,4	125	flat/null trend		out of balance
HOK	VL0006	0,4	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	104	flat/null trend		out of balance
HOK	VL0612	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	245	flat/null trend		out of balance
MGO	VL0006	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	271	flat/null trend		out of balance
MGO	VL0612	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	52	no significant trend		out of balance
PGP	VL0006	1,6	0,8	0,8	0,2	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	2951	decreasing		out of balance
PGP	VL0612	0,6	0,5	0,5	0,3	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	819	decreasing		out of balance
PMP	VL0006	0,4	0,5	0,6	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,6	0,5	0,5	30	no significant trend		out of balance
PMP	VL0612	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,7	0,6	0,8	0,6	0,6	25	no significant trend		out of balance
PS	VL0612	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,6	0,5	0,5	0,6	0,6	0,6	0,6	29	no significant trend		out of balance
PS	VL1218	0,6	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,6	0,7	0,7	37	no significant trend		in balance
PS	VL1824	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	40	no significant trend		in balance
PS	VL2440	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	63	no significant trend		in balance

Table 13.2. Vessel utilisation ratio (VUR220) calculated using 220 days on a vessel level for the period 2012-2021.

VUR220 calculated as: average days at sea per vessel / 220

Traffic light system: 0.7 < red; 0.7 ≥ yellow > 0.9; ≥ 0.9 green

Trend analysed for the period 2012-2021, using the slope equation and a 5% threshold to indicate significance, as: Slope > 0.05 increasing;

Slope < -0.05 decreasing; -0.05 < Slope < 0.05 no significant trend and slope = 0 flat/null trend

Fleet segment		Vessel Utilization Ratio - 220 (VUR220)										No vessels 2021	Trend 2021	Trend 2012-2021	Status 2021
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
DFN	VL0006	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	343	no significant trend		out of balance
DFN	VL0612	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	676	no significant trend		out of balance
DFN	VL1218	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,3	0,2	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,4	0,3	18	no significant trend		out of balance
DRB	VL0612	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,5	9	flat/null trend		out of balance
DRB	VL1218	0,5	0,5	0,6	0,6	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	16	flat/null trend		out of balance
DTS	VL0612	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	141	no significant trend		out of balance
DTS	VL1218	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,5	155	no significant trend		out of balance
DTS	VL1824	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,7	0,8	29	no significant trend		in balance
DTS	VL2440	0,7	0,9	0,9	0,9	0,8	0,8	1,0	0,9	0,8	0,9	9	no significant trend		in balance
FPO	VL0006	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	48	no significant trend		out of balance
FPO	VL0612	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,6	125	no significant trend		out of balance
HOK	VL0006	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,3	104	no significant trend		out of balance
HOK	VL0612	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	245	no significant trend		out of balance
MGO	VL0006	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	271	no significant trend		out of balance
MGO	VL0612	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,5	52	no significant trend		out of balance
PGP	VL0006	0,2	0,3	0,2	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	2951	no significant trend		out of balance
PGP	VL0612	0,3	0,4	0,3	0,2	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	819	no significant trend		out of balance
PMP	VL0006	0,3	0,3	0,4	0,2	0,3	0,2	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,5	30	no significant trend		out of balance
PMP	VL0612	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,4	0,6	25	no significant trend		out of balance
PS	VL0612	0,4	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,6	0,6	0,5	0,5	29	no significant trend		out of balance
PS	VL1218	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,6	0,6	0,6	0,6	0,5	0,6	0,6	37	no significant trend		out of balance
PS	VL1824	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,7	0,8	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,8	40	flat/null trend		in balance
PS	VL2440	0,8	0,9	0,9	0,8	0,8	0,7	0,8	0,7	0,7	0,8	63	no significant trend		in balance

6.2 Biological indicators

Status of priority species

Several meetings relevant to Adriatic Sea stocks had been carried out between March 2019 and May 2022 in the framework of GFCM, notwithstanding STECF expert working groups on stock assessment in the Adriatic Sea. The WGSAD and WGSASP had met twice: in November 2019 in Rome and in January 2021 online. In addition, a benchmark had been held for the assessment of anchovy and sardine in GSAs 17 and 18 over multiple sessions, as well as a benchmark session for common sole (*Solea solea*) in GSA 17 (April 2021). WGSAs in January 2021 revised a total of 13 Adriatic Sea stocks (11 demersal, 2 small pelagic), providing advice for all, including one instance of qualitative (precautionary) advice (blackbellied angler (*Lophius budegassa*) in GSA 17). Two stocks were considered overexploited with low fishing mortality (common cuttlefish (*Sepia officinalis*) and mantis shrimp (*Squilla mantis*) in GSA 17), three were considered in overexploitation with biomass above the reference point (European hake in GSAs 17-18, and purple dye murex (*Bolinus brandaris*) in GSA 17 and horned octopus (*Eledone cirrhosa*) in GSA 18 (both not relevant for Croatia)), one in overexploitation and depleted (great Mediterranean scallop (*Pecten jacobaeus*) in GSA 17), two in overexploitation with high biomass (deepwater rose shrimp (*Parapenaeus longirostris*) in GSAs 17-18-19 and red mullet (*Mullus barbatus*) in GSAs 17-18), one in overexploitation with low biomass (giant red shrimp (*Aristaeomorpha foliacea*) in GSAs 18-19) and two overexploited and in overexploitation (sardine and anchovy in GSAs 17-18).

Following establishment of Jabuka/Pomo Pit FRA, according to recent years' monitoring programmes sampling data, including MEDITS and FRA Jabuka/Pomo surveys, results show a significant recovery of demersal resources. Results of surveys show positive trends such as overall decrease of fishing mortality and increase of biomass of the most important demersal species. In addition, the survey in Jabuka Pit and surrounding area shows increase in size structure of populations of the most important demersal species as well as their abundance but also indicates the restoration of the complete ecosystem. This is recognised as very encouraging and proves that a precisely directed management measure has a potential to yield significant results and it is expected that it shall further contribute to improvement of the status of the resources.

Benchmark assessments as independent sessions at the level of GFCM were carried before SRC-AS in 2022 for *Mullus barbatus* (GSAs 17-18) and *Squilla mantis* (GSA 17). Finalization of benchmark assessment of red mullet in GSAs 17-18 is scheduled by March 2023. For deep-water rose shrimp *Parapenaeus longirostris* independent benchmark session (with other GSAs) will be carried out for GSAs 17-18-19-20.

Finalization of benchmark assessment for sardine in GSAs 17 and 18 is scheduled to be carried out at the level of GFCM WGSASP by November 2022 in order to produce relevant scientific advice. Therefore, Croatia has included sardine for the calculation of SHI but not SAR indicator as, considering SAR criteria a), B_c is assessed as being above the B_{lim} according to GFCM SAC 2021 report. As regards to anchovy in GSAs 17-18 assessment carried out until May 2022 presented in the GFCM SRC-AS was validated with quantitative advice – biomass above reference points and in overexploitation.

Croatia will continue to closely monitor developments of the status of the key resources and adjust management framework accordingly.

Relevant information on stocks and selection of stocks for the calculation of SHI and SAR is included in Table 14.1.

Table 14.1. Determination of species relevant for SHI & SAR. Stock status of priority species assessed at the level of GFCM/STECF determined according GFCM SAC 2021 Report.

Species	Stock area	Current levels	Reference points	Quantitative status	Stock status	Scientific advice	Justification/comments	SHI	SAR
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	GSA 17, 18	Fc = 0.45 Bc = 3978	Fmsy = 0.167 Bpa = 2543 Blim = 1858	F/Fref = 2.72 B/Bthreshold = 1.56 B/Blimit = 2.14	Biomass above the reference point and in overexploitation	Reduce fishing mortality	GFCM WGSAD 2021. Update of benchmark assessment. Bc assessed as being above the Blim.	Yes	No
<i>Mullus barbatus</i>	GSA 17, 18	Fc = 0.69 Bc = 7587	F0.1 = 0.34	F/Fref = 2.03	In overexploitation with relative high biomass	Reduce fishing mortality	GFCM WGSAD 2021. Revised assessment with changes in model settings and age slicing approach.	Yes	No
<i>Parapenaeus longirostris</i>	GSA 17, 18, 19	Fc = 1.49 Bc = 3221	F0.1 = 0.5	F/Fref = 2.98	In overexploitation with relative high biomass	Reduce fishing mortality; STF available	GFCM WGSAD 2021. Revised assessment with new data from Albania.	Yes	No
<i>Sepia officinalis</i>	GSA 17	Fc = 0.2 Bc = 12	Fmsy = 0.252 Bmsy = 24.341	F/Fref = 0.81 B/Btarget = 0.49	Overexploited with low fishing mortality	Reduce fishing mortality and/or implement recovery plan	GFCM WGSAD 2021. Revised assessment with a longer time series.	Yes	No
<i>Squilla mantis</i>	GSA 17	Fc = 0.33 Bc = 4833	F40 = 0.36 B40 = 6542.84	F/Fref = 0.24 B/Btarget = 0.74	Overexploited with low fishing mortality	Reduce fishing mortality and/or implement recovery plan	GFCM WGSAD 2021. Updated assessment with revised reference points. Croatian fleet does not target spottail mantis shrimp.	Yes	No
<i>Lophius budegassa</i>	GSA 17	Fc = 0.31 Bc = 2	Fmsy = 0.22 Bmsy = 1.86	NA	Possibly in overexploitation	Reduce fishing mortality	GFCM WGSAD 2021. New assessment with large uncertainties in catch data before 2009.	Yes	No
<i>Pecten jacobaeus</i>	GSA 17	Fc = 0.71 Bc = 232	Fmsy = 0.248 Bmsy = 2971	F/Fref = 2.86 B/Btarget = 0.08	In overexploitation and depleted	Close the fishery and implement a recovery plan	GFCM WGSAD 2021. New assessment. - Limited assessment (only on Italian data).	Yes	No
<i>Solea solea</i>	GSA 17	Fc = 0.27	Fmsy = F40% = 0.237	F/Fref = 1.15	In overexploitation with relatively low biomass	Reduce fishing mortality	GFCM WGSAD 2021. Benchmark.	Yes	No
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	GSA 17, 18	Fc = 0.71 Bc = 2171	Fmsy = 0.45 Bmsy = 4868	F/Fref = 1.5	In intermediate overexploitation with low biomass	Reduce fishing mortality	GFCM WGSAD 2019. Assessment from WGSAD 2019.	Yes	No
<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>	GSA 17, 18	Fc = 1.22 Bc = 17 089 t	Fmsy = 0.81 Blim = 16 200 t Bpa = 21 400 t	F/Fmsy = 1.51 SSB/SSBlim = 0.80 SSB/SSBpa = 1.05	Overexploited and in overexploitation	Reduce fishing mortality; STF provided	GFCM WGSASP 2019-2021. Assessment is considered benchmarked, the stock assessment was validated with quantitative advice. Bc assessed as being above the Blim.	Yes	No
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i>	GSA 17, 18	Fc = 2.1 Bc = 198 600 t	Fmsy = 0.47 Blim = 178 200 t Bpa = 294 300 t	F/Fmsy = 4.43 SSB/SSBlim = 0.67 SSB/SSBpa = 1.11	Overexploited and in overexploitation	Reduce fishing mortality	GFCM WGSASP 2019-2021. a4a and SAM provided similar perspectives, but SAM did not converge, so a4a was used as the basis for advice. Uncertainties and low contrast in the catch at age matrix, which were believed to affect statistical catch at age model fitting, prevented the group from accepting this assessment as a benchmark. No short-term forecast were provided. Bc assessed as being above the Blim.	Yes	No
<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>	Med	Species not assessed at GFCM or STECF level.			EN - Endangered	IUCN, ICCAT	IUCN - EN in 2009 (Mediterranean); assessment needs updating.	No	Yes
<i>Corallium rubrum</i>	Adriatic-HR				CR - Critically Endangered	IUCN, National	IUCN - EN in 2014 (Mediterranean); national assessment - CR.	No	Yes
<i>Anguilla anguilla</i>	Europe				CR - Critically Endangered	IUCN, CITES	IUCN - CR in 2008 (Europe), 2013 (Global). CITES Appendix II.	No	Yes
<i>Xiphias gladius</i>	Med				NT - Near Threatened	IUCN, ICCAT	IUCN - NT in 2007 (Mediterranean); assessment needs updating.	No	No

Sustainable Harvest Indicator

SHI is designed to reflect the extent to which a fleet segment is dependent on stocks that are over harvested, where ‘over harvested’ is assessed with reference to F_{msy} values over time, and dependency is based on fleet segment revenues (value of landings).

The most recent estimates of $F_{current}$ and F_{msy} (or its proxy $F_{0.1}$) relevant for GSA 17 were extracted from the relevant STECF or GFCM reports as indicated in [Annex I.B](#). Following priority stocks were considered for this report:

- small pelagic species: *Sardina pilchardus* (PIL) and *Engraulis encrasicolus* (ANE),
- demersal species: *Mullus barbatus* (MUT), *Sepia officinalis* (CTC), *Parapenaeus longirostris* (DPS), *Merluccius merluccius* (HKE), *Squilla mantis* (MTS), *Nephrops norvegicus* (NEP) and *Solea solea* (SOL), *Lophius budegassa* (MNZ) and *Pecten jacobaeus* (SJA).

SHI indicators were calculated for all segments based on the available assessment ([Annex I.B.1](#)). According to the criteria in the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines, the SHI indicator values for 9 fleet segments cannot be used meaningfully to assess the balance or imbalance because the indicator values are based on stocks that comprise less than 40% of the total value of landings by those fleet segments.

Results for 14 segments for which assessed species count for more than 40% of landing value are presented in the Table 14. As this indicator depends on the stock assessment results, some of the values and stocks included in some segments should be taken with caution due to a changes in the assessment methodology or model.

Table 14.2. Overview of available and significant SHI per fleet segment for the period 2012-2020.

SHI ≥ 1 'out of balance'; SHI < 1 'in balance' (as according to the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines)

Fleet segment (FS)		SHI									Share in FS landing value in 2020, %	Status 2020
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020		
DFN	VL1218	-	3,7	2,5	2,5	0,6	1,3	1,5	0,7	0,6	51,7	in balance
DRB	VL0612	-	-	-	-	-	1,0	1,0	1,3	1,5	85,7	out of balance
DRB	VL1218	-	-	-	-	-	0,7	0,8	1,2	1,3	81,4	out of balance
DTS	VL0612	-	-	-	-	0,3	1,1	1,0	1,2	1,1	51,6	out of balance
DTS	VL1218	4,8	4,4	3,3	3,2	0,9	1,2	1,3	1,4	1,3	57,9	out of balance
DTS	VL1824	4,6	4,5	3,3	3,3	0,5	1,7	2,1	1,9	1,8	78,4	out of balance
DTS	VL2440	-	4,8	3,4	3,3	0,4	1,7	2,1	1,9	1,8	80,0	out of balance
FPO	VL0006	-	-	-	-	-	0,9	0,9	0,9	0,8	56,1	in balance
FPO	VL0612	-	-	-	-	-	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,1	71,9	out of balance
PMP	VL0612	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,7	52,8	out of balance
PS	VL0612	-	-	-	-	-	0,7	0,7	2,2	2,8	80,2	out of balance
PS	VL1218	3,4	2,3	2,3	2,2	2,4	1,4	1,4	3,5	3,4	92,9	out of balance
PS	VL1824	3,3	2,3	2,3	2,2	2,4	1,5	1,5	3,2	3,2	93,4	out of balance
PS	VL2440	3,3	2,3	2,3	2,2	2,4	1,5	1,5	3,5	3,4	94,5	out of balance

Purse seiners above 12 m LOA continue to show imbalances since they are highly dependent on only two stocks, and at the same time those stocks (sardine and anchovy) are overexploited. Given the need to secure sustainability and safeguard the implementation of the GFCM plan for small pelagic species in GSA 17 and 18, Croatia believes that PS segments above 12 m LOA need to be addressed in terms of imbalance with available resources. In addition to using purse seine net for small pelagic fish, smaller purse seiners below 12 m LOA use also nets with a larger mesh size specialized to target other species, like greater amberjack, Atlantic bonito or mullets, which contributes to the different catch structure than for purse seine segments above 12 m LOA. However, in recent years catch composition was dominantly constituted of small pelagic fish (dominant use of net for small pelagic fish). According to the most recent stock assessment for small pelagic species in the Adriatic Sea and results of SHI for 2020, economic dependency of purse seiners below 12 m LOA on overfished stocks of small pelagic species is clearly indicated. Although in previous years reports status of this segment was determined in balance, considering that urgent actions towards sustainability need to be addressed as soon as possible, this segment is assessed as out of balance.

The indicated imbalance of all DTS segments is connected with the overexploitation status of all priority demersal species.

Although SHI indicates dependency of FPO vessels from 6 to 12 m LOA on Norway lobster, it needs to be considered that majority of FPO vessels using pots/traps operate in the northern Croatian channels (Kvarner Bay and Velebit Channel) and target a subpopulation of *Nephrops* present in that region (Vrgoč et al., 2004) which appears to be isolated and self-sustaining according to the results of the recent study performed on *Nephrops* in the Adriatic Sea (Melaku Canu et al., 2021).

Taking into account the above, two segments are considered to be in balance and 12 segments are considered to be out of balance according to the results of the SHI, while for the remaining segments share of considered stocks is not relevant.

Stocks-at-risk Indicator

SAR indicator aims to measure how many stocks are being affected by the activities of a fleet segment that are biologically vulnerable.

It is important to note that fleets targeting stocks including small pelagic species (sardine and anchovy) and large pelagic species (Bluefin tuna and swordfish) are all managed according to catch reduction schemes (ANE, PIL) or quotas (BFT, SWO).

However, conservation status of red coral, *Corallium rubrum*, determined as endangered according to the IUCN "red list", in Croatia is assessed as critically endangered (CR) (Ordinance on strictly protected species, OG 144/2013 and 73/2016), and it needs to be considered when addressing the balance of fleet segments targeting this species. In Croatia, limited number of vessels included in the MGO fleet segment target red coral, among other benthic and demersal species, using hand gathering gears and diving equipment, and to a lesser extent HOK VL0612 segment. Balance status of MGO fleet segments below 12 m LOA (323 vessels in total), which include vessels targeting red coral, cannot be considered as out of balance, since only a small share of MGO vessels (only 3%) have been issued specific authorizations for red coral in 2021 and 2022 (10 vessels). In addition to limiting number of vessels and establishing catch limits in line with the authorization process carried out in 2021, in the Action Plan additional management instruments are determined specifically for vessels with fishing authorizations for red coral ("red coral fleet").

Following the methodology proposed in the Guidelines and STECF-21-16 report, results of SAR indicator for species selected according to Table 14.1 (Atlantic bluefin tuna, red coral and European eel) are presented below (Table 14.3) and calculation of SAR indicator is provided in [Annex I.B.2](#).

Table 14.3. Overview of available and significant SAR per fleet segment for 2020.

SAR ≥ 1 'out of balance'; SAR < 1 'in balance'. No SAR found when SAR = -1 (according to the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines)

Fleet segment (FS)		SAR 2020	Status 2020
DFN	VL0006	1	out of balance
DFN	VL0612	0	in balance
DTS	VL0612	1	out of balance
FPO	VL0006	0	in balance
HOK	VL0612	1	out of balance
MGO	VL0006	1	out of balance
MGO	VL0612	1	out of balance
PGP	VL0006	0	in balance
PMP	VL0006	0	in balance
PMP	VL0612	1	out of balance
PS	VL1218	0	in balance
PS	VL1824	1	out of balance
PS	VL2440	1	out of balance

Taking into account the above, five segments are considered to be in balance and eight segments are considered to be out of balance according to the results of the SAR indicator, while for the remaining

10 segments share of considered stocks is not relevant (no SAR found). Results of SAR indicator should be interpreted with caution, taking into account that a very limited number of vessels in the identified fleet segments targets stocks considered in the SAR calculation, and these vessels are already managed separately from the remainder of the fleet. Vessels targeting *Thunnus thynnus* and *Corallium rubrum* are managed separately based on catch quotas, while catch of *Anguilla anguilla* in Croatia is very limited and only a few vessels in the delta of River Neretva are involved in this commercial fishing activity.

6.3 *Economic indicators*

The monetary values of economic data for calculating economic indicators in this report are not adjusted for inflation. This is important in terms of comparing results of balance indicators in the framework of STECF working groups as the results may differ slightly.

Following the methodology proposed in the Guidelines, results of two economic indicators are presented below: RoFTA (long-term return) and the CR/BER ratio of current revenue to break-even revenue (short-term return) and calculation is provided in [Annex I.C](#).

For Croatia, these indicators were calculated for the period 2012-2020 for 23 clustered fleet segments that are consistent in the period. Although considerable resources have been devoted to collecting economic and social data it is important to emphasize that the economic analysis is limited by the limitation of the economic indicators as well as the relatively short time series of data related to the period of major changes in Croatia - Croatia's accession to the EU and the beginning of the EFF and EMFF measures implementation in Croatia, all of which have an impact on the reliability and quality of economic data. Unfortunately, economic indicators as such cannot sufficiently reflect the full range of factors that affect the fishing sector in Croatia and the results need to be interpreted with caution. For this reason a section on social indicators has been included in the SSCF chapter. However, because of the shortcomings of economic and social indicators, additional information is required in order to assess the situation and allocate appropriate measures to a particular segment of the fleet, and representatives of the fisheries sector in Croatia as well as the scientific and advisory bodies are important stakeholders in this process. Therefore, although the results of the balance analysis are informative, the overall balance assessment and the necessary activities take into account additional information at the Member State level.

In 2020, the economic performance of the overall fleet remained stable compared to previous years. Total revenue estimated at EUR 90 million has slightly increased by 3% compared to 2019 but compared to 2012-2019 average revenue increased by 55%. The total amount of GVA and gross profit in comparison to 2019 increased by 13% (EUR 58.8 million) and 28% (EUR 31.2 million), respectively, while net profit considerably increased (EUR 9.9 million).

Total operating costs decreased in 2020 by 7% compared to 2019 and amounted to EUR 58.8 million. Decreased fuel costs (-24% compared to 2019) are a result of lower fuel prices in 2020, from 0.61 EUR/litre in 2019 to 0.45 EUR/litre in 2020, while energy consumption has remained almost the same (+4% increase in 2020). Fuel prices in 2020 were lowest in the period 2012-2021. As in previous years, crew costs have the highest share of (40)% in operating costs, followed by fuel costs (20%) and repair/maintenance costs. The cost structure changes depending on the fleet segment, therefore some segments which depend on fishing grounds further from the coast, or use towing gears, are more fuel intensive and the share of fuel costs is higher.

The overall landing has been gradually decreasing since 2014 due to management measures in the Adriatic Sea. Compared to 2014 when it has been at its highest, landings decreased by 23% to 61.139 tonnes of landed seafood products in 2021, while landed value has decreased by 7% amounting to EUR 59.8 million in 2021 (adjusted for inflation).

Prices obtained for the key species targeted by the fleet generally remain stable in the period 2012-2021. Slight annual variations of the prices are mostly resulting from changes in volume of landings over the period. Annual variations in prices are more evident for higher value demersal species.

Overall, purse seine segments amount to over 90% of volume and 50% on average of value of products landed.

In 2021, average landed (real) price of EUR 1.58 per kg further increased by 5% compared to 2020 and by 13% compared to average in the period 2012-2020. Of the top six commercially most important species, Norway lobster and Common sole had the highest prices (13.6 and 8.7 EUR/kg, respectively) in 2021, while sardine and anchovy were sold at relatively low prices (0.46 and 0.9 EUR /kg, respectively).

Prices of small pelagic species, sardine and anchovy, remained constant in 2021, due to introduction of non-compulsory temporary cessations and secure market for remaining active fishermen (Figure 6). A high influence on fish prices of small pelagic species has the product destination. As Croatia is a Bluefin tuna farming country, significant quantity of small pelagic fish landed on the landing sites is designated for tuna feeding. The small pelagic fish intended for tuna feeding are declared with low prices in the sales notes. These low prices have a minimizing effect on the average price of small pelagic fish.

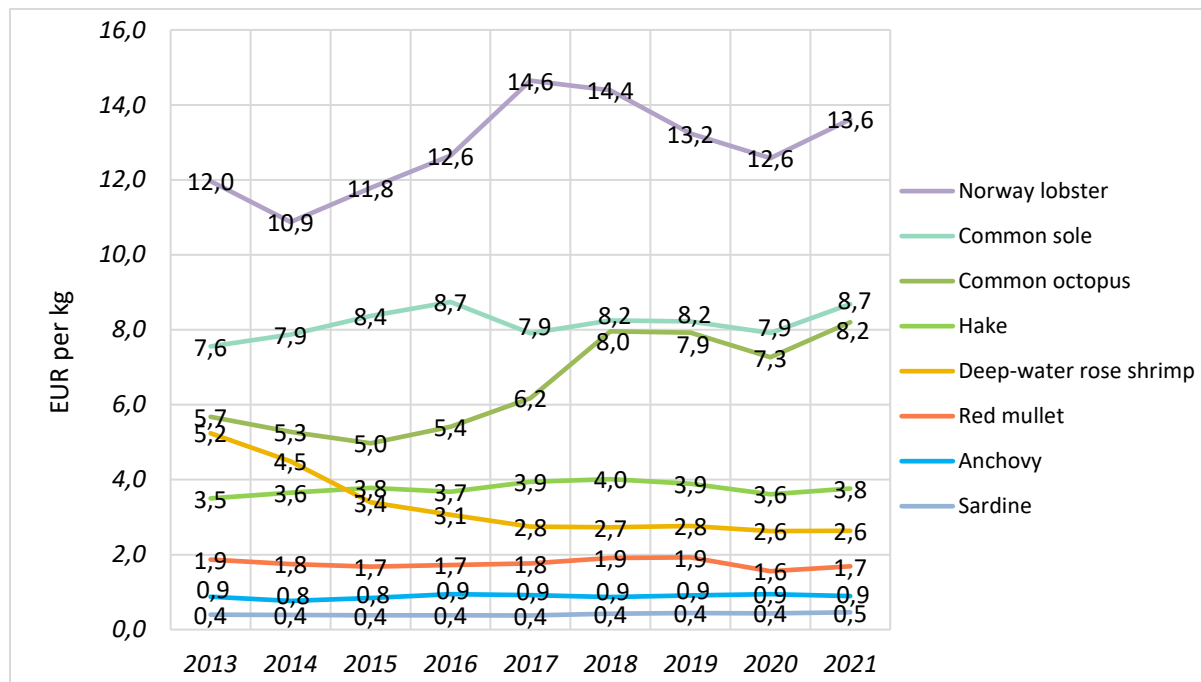


Figure 6. Average landed prices of most important commercial species in the period 2013-2021.

For the demersal trawl (DTS) and purse seine (PS) segments, values of economic indicators suggest a further increase compared to the previous period, especially for vessels over 12 m LOA, which have been more heavily affected by management measures. As the latest analysis of biological indicators suggests that DTS segments are in imbalance with available resources, the indication on economic performance of DTS segments may not be a real indicator of profitability as profitability is related to other factors which are not necessarily related to an imbalance between capacity and available resources (fish prices, market trends etc.). Croatia will continue to closely follow these segments and related stocks in the future.

Although economic results indicate that PS vessels over 24 m LOA are not sufficiently profitable, it is important to note that this segment is involved in Bluefin tuna purse seining. As the entire catch of Bluefin tuna is immediately transferred to cages for farming, there is no landing per se. The potential value of this catch is afterward recorded through tuna farm revenues and not fisheries. Furthermore, a large quantity of small pelagic fish caught by these vessels is designated for tuna feeding. The small pelagic species intended for tuna feeding have a lower market value. In this capacity, the aim of this fishery is not the profitability of a single vessel but the contribution to the overall operation of the company which owns both the farm and vessels. In general, indicators for purse seiners are showing more favourable opportunity in 2020, showing slow but steady progress in achieving balance.

With the exemption of DRB vessels, improved economic development trend is indicated for most fleet segments.

Return of fixed tangible assets (RoFTA) and Current Revenue Against Break-Even Revenue (CR/BER)

For the 23 clustered fleet segments in 2020 CR/BER (short-term return) indicates that for:

- 16 fleet segments values are over threshold; and
- 7 fleet segments values are below threshold.

An increasing trend for CR/BER was assessed for 18 fleet segments while a decreasing trend was observed for 4 segments. No significant trend is observed for one segment.

RoFTA (long-term return) indicates that for:

- 7 fleet segments values are out of balance;
- 15 fleet segments are in balance; while
- One is considered as not sufficiently profitable.

An increasing trend for RoFTA was assessed for 20 fleet segments while a decreasing trend was observed for 3 segments.

Almost all segments with the exception of dredges from 6 to 12 meters and PGP vessels showed improved economic development trend compared with the previous year. Based on the net profit margin, eight fleet segments showed high profitability, four segments a reasonable profitability and 9 a weak profitability. Net losses are registered for seven segments (DTS0612, DTS2440, DRB1218, DFN1218, PGP0006, PGP0612 and PMP0006). The results of CR/BER and RoFTA analysis indicate coherent results. However, for DRB CR/BER and RoFTA indicate weak profitability and a deteriorated economic development trend. This is mostly due to insufficiently generated net profit, in addition to relatively high estimated replacement values of the vessel. In addition, some segments (PGM, PMP) have a high share of income of other sources (such as agriculture, tourism, transport etc.) which is not included in the estimation of economic indicators. For PGP and PMP segments, economic indicators are not reliable in assessing balance.

Table 15.1. Current revenue to break-even revenue ratio (CR/BER) (Short-term) for 2012-2020.

Calculated as: Current revenue (CR) / Break Even Revenue (BER),

where, CR = income from landings + other income

and BER = fixed costs / (1-[variable costs / current revenue]) excluding opportunity cost of capital

and Fixed costs = non variable costs + annual depreciation

and Variable costs = crew wage + unpaid labour + energy costs + repair costs + other variable costs

Traffic light system (status in 2020): green ≥ 1 ; red < 1.0 ; (negative values highlighted in dark red) (according to the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines)

Trend analysed for the period 2012-2020, using the slope equation and a 5% threshold to indicate significance, as: Slope > 0.05 increasing; Slope < -0.05 decreasing; $-0.05 < \text{Slope} < 0.05$ no significant trend and slope = 0 flat/null trend.

Fleet segment	Current revenue to break-even revenue ratio (CR/BER)										Trend (5%)	Trend 2012-2020	Status 2020
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020				
DFN	VL0006	-0,2	0,5	0,2	-1,0	-0,5	0,6	2,3	2,5	2,2	increasing		in balance
	VL0612	-0,1	0,4	0,9	0,4	0,0	2,0	3,8	3,9	3,8	increasing		in balance
	VL1218	-0,7	0,6	0,8	0,2	-1,1	0,4	1,0	0,9	0,9	increasing		out of balance
DRB	VL0612	1,5	1,9	2,0	3,0	2,3	0,9	1,4	0,8	2,3	decreasing		in balance
	VL1218	-1,6	0,6	1,6	2,3	0,8	-0,3	-1,2	-1,1	-0,9	decreasing		out of balance
DTS	VL0612	-0,4	0,1	0,1	0,4	0,1	2,4	0,2	0,3	0,9	increasing		out of balance
	VL1218	-0,3	0,7	1,0	0,3	0,6	1,6	1,2	1,3	1,9	increasing		in balance
	VL1824	-0,3	0,1	0,3	0,3	0,5	0,6	1,8	2,0	1,9	increasing		in balance
	VL2440	-0,1	0,0	0,1	0,3	0,2	0,4	0,7	0,8	0,6	increasing		out of balance
FPO	VL0006	-0,5	0,9	21,5	-3,1	2,3	-1,2	-0,5	3,2	3,0	decreasing		in balance
	VL0612	-0,7	-2,2	-0,7	0,6	0,6	2,3	2,2	2,2	1,9	increasing		in balance
HOK	VL0006	-3,8	-6,0	10,9	-3,3	-3,2	20,2	-1,1	2,6	2,6	increasing		in balance
	VL0612	-0,6	1,3	0,8	0,8	2,0	5,7	1,6	1,8	1,8	increasing		in balance
MGO	VL0006	0,5	2,3	2,8	1,2	1,3	6,8	15,5	15,7	14,2	increasing		in balance
	VL0612	1,1	1,9	1,2	2,2	1,6	3,1	2,6	3,3	2,9	increasing		in balance
PGP	VL0006	-1,1	-0,5	-0,8	-0,1	-0,3	-0,2	-0,5	-0,2	-0,2	increasing		out of balance
	VL0612	-1,4	-1,9	0,0	-0,7	0,0	-0,2	-0,1	0,1	0,4	increasing		out of balance
PMP	VL0006	-2,4	0,3	0,6	3,6	0,1	-1,7	-1,6	-2,9	-2,4	decreasing		out of balance
	VL0612	-0,5	-1,4	3,5	-1,1	-0,5	0,7	-0,1	2,3	1,4	increasing		in balance
PS	VL0612	-0,8	1,0	0,6	0,1	-0,2	1,0	2,8	2,9	4,8	increasing		in balance
	VL1218	-0,2	0,9	1,0	-0,5	0,2	0,8	1,3	0,8	3,6	increasing		in balance
	VL1824	0,4	1,1	1,2	1,1	0,9	1,6	1,2	0,7	1,7	increasing		in balance
	VL2440	0,4	1,0	0,8	0,5	0,6	0,7	1,2	0,7	1,1	no significant trend		in balance
Total		0,0	0,7	0,9	0,5	0,5	1,5	1,6	1,6	1,9	increasing		in balance

Table 15.2. Return on Fixed Tangible Assets (RoFTA, %) (Long-term profitability) for 2012-2020.

Calculated as: Net profit* / (fleet depreciated replacement value)

where Net profit* = (Income from landings + other income) - (crew wage + unpaid labour + energy + repair + other variable costs + non variable costs + annual depreciation).

Compared against TRP, where TRP = 5-year (2016-2020) average risk free long term interest rate. Average long-term interest rate for Croatia: 2020 - 0,83; 2016-2020 - 2,11 (Source: ECB).

Comments on balance (status in 2020): RoFTA ≥ TRP "in balance"; > 0 RoFTA ≤ TRP "not sufficiently profitable" and RoFTA < 0 "out of balance".

Trend analysed for the period 2012-2020, using the slope equation and a 5% threshold to indicate significance, as: Slope > 0.05 increasing; Slope < -0.05 decreasing; -0.05 < Slope < 0.05 no significant trend and slope = 0 flat/null trend.

Fleet segment		Return on Fixed Tangible Assets (RoFTA, %)									Trend (5%)	Trend 2012-2020	Status 2020
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020			
DFN	VL0006	-16,4	-5,7	-8,9	-24,4	-16,4	-5,4	14,5	17,4	13,3	increasing		in balance
	VL0612	-12,4	-6,1	-0,5	-5,6	-10,9	9,1	27,4	28,4	27,2	increasing		in balance
	VL1218	-20,4	-3,9	-2,7	-9,3	-23,3	-7,0	0,4	-1,3	-0,8	increasing		out of balance
DRB	VL0612	9,6	12,6	12,7	17,9	11,6	-1,2	3,0	-1,6	11,3	decreasing		in balance
	VL1218	-30,7	-4,5	6,8	14,8	-2,4	-13,9	-19,5	-16,9	-14,7	decreasing		out of balance
DTS	VL0612	-14,4	-8,7	-8,6	-5,6	-8,1	12,5	-7,3	-5,8	-1,3	increasing		out of balance
	VL1218	-15,0	-3,4	0,5	-7,1	-3,6	5,6	1,7	3,2	8,0	increasing		in balance
	VL1824	-13,5	-8,6	-6,1	-6,2	-3,8	-2,7	6,5	7,8	7,0	increasing		in balance
	VL2440	-12,0	-9,3	-9,3	-7,0	-7,7	-5,1	-2,9	-1,9	-3,6	increasing		out of balance
FPO	VL0006	-14,7	-1,3	257,2	-30,6	14,4	-27,0	-21,4	31,0	29,6	decreasing		in balance
	VL0612	-16,1	-30,8	-20,0	-5,4	-4,3	15,5	14,7	14,8	11,7	increasing		in balance
HOK	VL0006	-43,5	-58,7	89,3	-39,2	-50,9	153,5	-23,2	17,6	16,6	increasing		in balance
	VL0612	-18,6	2,4	-1,7	-2,0	9,1	39,1	5,2	7,3	7,4	increasing		in balance
MGO	VL0006	-8,8	25,3	34,4	4,1	7,8	118,5	212,9	218,2	195,7	increasing		in balance
	VL0612	0,7	9,7	3,1	13,3	17,5	22,6	20,3	27,4	24,0	increasing		in balance
PGP	VL0006	-167,5	-105,3	-79,4	-9,4	-11,0	-8,9	-10,7	-9,0	-9,2	increasing		out of balance
	VL0612	-30,9	-35,3	-10,8	-17,4	-7,2	-8,1	-8,0	-6,6	-4,4	increasing		out of balance
PMP	VL0006	-260,7	-17,8	-27,0	26,7	-9,2	-18,0	-25,7	-37,5	-33,0	increasing		out of balance
	VL0612	-16,4	-30,2	24,2	-18,7	-16,5	-3,3	-11,6	14,1	4,2	increasing		in balance
PS	VL0612	-19,4	-0,1	-3,4	-9,0	-11,0	-0,3	15,2	15,7	31,3	increasing		in balance
	VL1218	-20,9	-1,0	-0,5	-15,5	-9,0	-2,0	2,6	-2,4	24,4	increasing		in balance
	VL1824	-8,0	1,6	2,7	0,7	-1,4	5,1	1,7	-3,0	7,3	increasing		in balance
	VL2440	-7,8	-0,3	-2,8	-5,5	-4,3	-3,2	1,4	-3,2	0,9	increasing		not sufficiently profitable
Total		-12,5	-3,4	-0,7	-5,2	-4,8	4,3	5,9	5,3	8,5	increasing		in balance

7. Overall: Statement of opinion on balance of fleet capacity with fishing opportunities

The national assessment of overall balance status per fleet segment provided in Table 16 was made taking into consideration firstly the available biological indicators (SHI - Sustainable Harvest Indicator and SAR - Stocks-at-risk Indicator) and assessment on the balance of related fleet segments presented in the previous chapter. For fleet segments for which SHI or SAR is not available or relevant, technical, economic and social indicators (SSCF chapter) were used for the assessment, but also additional information on fleet behaviour.

Overall, Croatia considers that there are some imbalances in its fleet primarily when compared to the status of the stocks according to the balance status determined for each indicator as presented in Chapter 6. As imbalance has been assessed in all **PS segments**, Croatia considers that purse seiners should be given due attention in terms of capacity and effort reduction. In the PS segment, the intention to maintain the balance in relation to the availability of small pelagic resources is further supported by measures within the GFCM multiannual management plan for small pelagics adopted in 2021 (and previously, emergency measures that have been set for the period 2019-2021). Capacity reduction, effort management and catch control by applying catch limits implemented over the past years show improvement in balance, and Croatia intends to continue with the measures provided within the framework of the structural funds in the future period. This particularly stands for temporal cessation which has significant impact on improvement of spawning biomass and recruitment, but also permanent cessation. In addition, Croatia intends to continue implementing fishing effort limitation schemes and other national and regionally agreed measures as is further described in the Action plan. The new GFCM Multiannual plan for small pelagics in the Adriatic is considered a key piece of legislation that will set the framework and streamline further activities with regards to the purse seine fisheries management.

In accordance with the latest stock assessment, all DTS segments should be considered out of balance, as there are some signs of overcapacity but with positive economic indicators. Establishment of the FRA area of Jabuka/Pomo Pit including a no-take zone, coupled with capacity and effort management are expected to have impact on this fleet in the coming years. Following capacity and effort management measures imposed upon this fleet in the previous years with the support of the EMFF, Croatia considers that these measures should be continued in the future.

Results of the latest available stock assessment were also reflected on the balance of the small-scale fleet mostly using fixed nets and trammel nets (DFN segments) where a positive change of SHI value in 2020 for VL1218 segment can be observed. In addition to positive economic indicators for these segments, Croatia overall considers all DFN segments to be in balance. However, Croatia will continue to closely monitor the situation.

Croatia is aware that indication of imbalance exists in some other segments of the fleet with low dependency on overfished stocks, specifically in terms of economic and technical indicators. However, these fleets are considered highly local and operating in very restricted areas with limited impact on resources, so for further consideration of their balance Croatia shall continue to follow closely these fleet segments so as to prevent a possible negative impact on stocks. This stands also for FPOVL0612 segment which is considered to be in balance regardless of the negative SHI value. This segment operates locally and it is highly dependent on Norway lobster which is dominantly exploited by the DTS segment. However, FPO fleet is using highly selective gears (traps) and operate in the area which is forbidden for trawling so in this case SHI indicator should be considered with reserve.

According to the results of the analysis and national assessment on the overall status for 2021, out of 28 fleet segments, of which 23 are active segments, 13 are considered to be in balance and 10 segments out of balance with their fishing opportunities, as established already in the previous report. Segments in balance are considered to be DFN, FPO, HOK, MGO, PGP and PMP. Segments out of balance are **all PS, DTS and DRB segments**. However, a part of MGO and HOK segment (**‘red coral fleet’**) which also include a small fleet authorised for red coral fishery should be excluded and considered as imbalanced due to a conservation status of red coral. This fishery is subject to specific regulation and only a small number of vessels is authorised, but due to a segmentation procedures they cannot be analysed and presented as such. As for DRB segment, negative trends have been observed with regards to SHI and deteriorated economic performance which represent basis for declaring imbalance.

PGPVL0006 and PGPVL0612 mainly consists of vessels which are managed as a specific category separately from the main commercial fleet, through strict gear and catch restrictions. Effect of these segments on priority stocks is negligible.

Due to the small size of some segments it was not possible to determine their independent status. However, because of their characteristics it was considered that their status is equal to the status of segments to which they are clustered to (as indicated in the table). Therefore, in case of clustered fleet segments, overall status is determined according to the overall status of the specified main fleet segment.

In conclusion, overview of balance status per indicator and an overall national assessment on balance by fleet segment is provided in the table below (Table 16).

Table 16. Overview of results of most recent available values of balance indicators and overall status assessment.

Fleet segment		Vessels	VUR	VUR220	SHI	SAR	CR/BER	RoFTA%	OVERALL STATUS	Basis for assessment
		2021	2021	2021	2020	2020	2020	2020		
DFN	VL0006	343	0,3	0,5	0,3	1	2,2	0,1	in balance	Economic indicators indicate high profitability with an increasing trend. SAR indicates several "eel vessels", which are managed separately.
DFN	VL0612	676	0,4	0,5	0,5	0	3,8	0,3	in balance	Economic indicators indicate high profitability with an increasing trend.
DFN	VL1218	18	0,7	0,3	0,6	-1	0,9	0,0	in balance	High variability of economic indicators with an increasing trend. No dependency on overfished stocks.
DRB	VL0612	9	1,0	0,5	1,5	-1	2,3	0,1	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks. Decreasing trend of economic indicators.
DRB	VL1218	16	0,8	0,5	1,3	-1	-0,9	-0,1	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks. Negative values and decreasing trend of economic indicators.
DTS	VL0612	141	0,5	0,5	1,1	1	0,9	0,0	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks. Includes DTSVL0006 (4 vessels).
DTS	VL1218	155	0,5	0,5	1,3	-1	1,9	0,1	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks.
DTS	VL1824	29	0,7	0,8	1,8	-1	1,9	0,1	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks.
DTS	VL2440	9	1,0	0,9	1,8	-1	0,6	0,0	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks.
FPO	VL0006	48	0,5	0,4	0,8	0	3,0	0,3	in balance	No dependency on overfished stocks. Positive economic indicators.
FPO	VL0612	125	0,4	0,6	1,1	-1	1,9	0,1	in balance	Economic indicators indicate high profitability with an increasing trend. Dependency on Norway lobster, as indicated by SHI (70% of total value landed by segment in 2020).
HOK	VL0006	104	0,3	0,3	0,3	-1	2,6	0,2	in balance	Increasing trend of economic indicators with no dependency on overfished stocks.
HOK	VL0612	245	0,3	0,3	0,6	1	1,8	0,1	in balance	Economic indicators indicate high profitability with an increasing trend. Includes HOKVL1218 (7 vessels). SAR is indicated for BFT HL/LL quota vessels which are managed separately, and "red coral vessels".
MGO	VL0006	271	0,3	0,5	0,0	1	14,2	2,0	in balance	Economic indicators indicate high profitability with an increasing trend. SAR is indicated for "red coral vessels" which are managed separately.
MGO	VL0612	52	0,4	0,5	0,0	1	2,9	0,2	in balance	Economic indicators indicate high profitability with an increasing trend. SAR is indicated for "red coral vessels" which are managed separately. Includes MGOVL1218 (2 vessels).
PGP	VL0006	2951	0,1	0,1	0,4	0	-0,2	-0,1	in balance	Mostly vessels falling in the specific category for personal needs managed separately from the main commercial fleet, through gear and catch restrictions. PGPVL0612 includes PGPVL1218 (1 vessel).
PGP	VL0612	819	0,1	0,1	0,8	-1	0,4	0,0	in balance	
PMP	VL0006	30	0,5	0,5	0,1	0	-2,4	-0,3	in balance	No dependency on overfished stocks. Decreasing trend and negative values of economic indicators in 2020. Multipurpose low activity vessels which use active and passive gears seasonally with relatively low fishing effort and mostly not reliant on fisheries. Includes PGOVL0006 (5 vessels).
PMP	VL0612	25	0,6	0,6	1,7	1	1,4	0,0	in balance	SHI indicates dependency on overfished stocks in 2020, however segment is highly variable and not stable, includes multipurpose vessels which use active and passive gears. Includes PGOVL0612 (1 vessel) and PMPVL1218 (1 vessel). SAR indicates several "eel vessels", which are managed separately.
PS	VL0612	29	0,6	0,5	2,8	-1	4,8	0,3	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks. Includes PSVL0006 (1 vessel).
PS	VL1218	37	0,7	0,6	3,4	0	3,6	0,2	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks.
PS	VL1824	40	0,8	0,8	3,2	1	1,7	0,1	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks. SAR is indicated for BFT PS quota vessels.
PS	VL2440	63	0,8	0,8	3,4	1	1,1	0,0	out of balance	SHI indicates high dependency on overfished stocks. SAR is indicated for BFT PS quota vessels.

8. ACTION PLAN

Based on the overall status of the analysed fleet segments Croatia presents an Action plan concerning imbalanced segments. Presented Action plan is continuation of Action plan from 2021 which is now updated and supplemented with additional information considering STECF EWG 21-16 comments. Pursuant to Action plan presented in the Fleet report for previous years, significant actions took place which resulted with overall improvement in some fleet segments.

During the past period and during the implementation of Action plan from previous Fleet reports Croatia implemented capacity reduction affecting **PS and DTS segments** through permanent cessation of fishing activities. This was not the only measure foreseen but due to its significance and the fact that permanent cessation can be applied only to vessels with high activity it is considered to be highly efficient in addressing imbalance. For this reason further implementation of these measures has been foreseen during the EMFAF period as well as its extension to DRB segment.

According to Chapter 7 and overall status of the fleet due to a high dependency of PS segments on only two species (sardine and anchovy) and their exploitation status, it is clear that imbalance in **PS segments** needs to be addressed. For that reason, this Action plan has been updated with some stronger actions directed in the reduction of fleet capacity, fishing effort and catch for PS segments. This will be done through a set of measures directed to improvement of stock status and management of fishing capacity and effort. Measures will dominantly target decrease of fishing capacity, further decrease of catches and protection of juvenile fish by redirecting of fleet outside the areas identified as nurseries or important for protection of early age classes of sardine and anchovy. Since these measures are directed to improvement of stock status, they need to be applied over a longer period in order to have effect.

For the DTS segments which are assessed as imbalanced, Croatia plans to implement additional measures and plans to continue with implementation of temporary cessation of fishing activities during key periods for recruitment of target species based upon the provisions of the GFCM MAP and scientific advice on the current status for key stocks. Authorisation process which is in place from 2014 prevents any increase of active fleet in terms of number of vessels and capacity. One of the most important measures is the implementation of FRA area in Jabuka/Pomo Pit with introduction of a large no-take zone and additional buffer zone with limited activities. While the first results are showing clear signals of improvement of stocks it can be expected that this measure will have significant impact on overall fleet balance in the coming years. Improvement in the catch composition of concerned fleets initially observed in 2019 - 2021, is an encouraging signal, and is expected to be reflected in the indicators in forthcoming Fleet reports and overall assessments of balance of the concerned fleets. The strong impact of this management measure is recognised at the GFCM level and from 2021 established as a permanent measure. In addition, Croatia in 2022 continued implementing MP for demersal fishery in Adriatic adopted on the GFCM level which sets more restrictive measures in terms of effort management (including effort limitations in number of fishing days) and spatial management. Upon adoption of national OP for EMFAF additional measures of permanent and temporal cessation have been foreseen.

As per provisions of the new EMFAF specific measure of buy-off of gears belonging to PS and DTS segments is planned to be implemented. This is planned to be applied in particular for those gears and vessels that are operating under certain derogations from the baseline regulations.

As for **DRB segment** negative SHI as well as economic indicators coupled with stable negative trends concerning catch and effort could signal imbalance which calls for close attention. To this end, capacity control measures shall be undertaken in the coming years in order to limit and possibly decrease the active capacity. The measures to be implemented include the authorisation process, permanent cessation and buy-off of authorised gears. Furthermore, the spatio-temporal measures shall also be revised in 2022.

More effective measures which are directed to address the identified imbalance, their targets, time-frame for implementation and expected outcomes are presented in the [Table 1](#).

Table 1.

Action plan measures							
Fleet segment		Temporary cessation			Permanent cessation		
		Target	Time frame	Expected outcome	Target as number of vessels to be removed from the fleet	Time frame for implementation	Expected outcome as reduction of catch per gear in the length segment ³
DRB	VL0612	All authorised vessels for DRB for at least 30 days per year	In line with MP and scientific advice and upon the authorisation process in 2022	Reduction of fishing effort and catch. By implementing the measure in the spawning period of target species (scallops and oysters), further improvement of spawning biomass and recruitment can be expected.	5 vessels authorised for DRB	2023-2024	18% - 55%
	VL1218				6 vessels authorised for DRB	2023-2024	33% - 74%
DTS	VL0612	All authorised vessels for OTB for at least 30 days per year	In line with MP and scientific advice (September-November)	Reduction of fishing effort and catch. By implementing the measure in the spawning period of target species (hake during period of intensive spawning and Norway lobster with external eggs), further improvement of spawning biomass and recruitment can be expected.	5 vessels authorised for OTB	2023-2026	6% - 15%
	VL1218				25 vessels authorised for OTB	2023-2026	20% - 47%
	VL1824				5 vessels authorised for OTB	2023-2026	20% - 40%
	VL2440				2 vessels authorised for OTB	2023-2026	19% - 28%
PS	VL0612	All authorised vessels for PS (small pel.) for at least 30 days per year	In line with MP and scientific advice (January/February for sardine and May for anchovy)	Reduction of fishing effort and catch. By implementing the measure in the spawning period of target species (sardine during winter and anchovy during spring/summer), further improvement of spawning biomass and recruitment can be expected.	5 authorised for PS for small pel.	2023-2026	31% - 63%
	VL1218				5 vessels authorised for PS for small pel.	2023-2026	9% - 15%
	VL1824				10 vessels authorised for PS for small pel.	2023-2026	13% - 30%
	VL2440				15 vessels authorised for PS for small pel.	2023-2026	13% - 25%

³ Based on average minimum and maximum range of annual catches of the vessels having minimum number of fishing days required for permanent cessation from length segments operating with subject gears over the period 2020-2021

On top of the measures presented in the Table 1, Croatia will also continue with implementation of measures listed in the GFCM regional plans for small pelagics and demersal fisheries. These measures are directly related to limitation of catch, capacity and fishing effort, and they are expected to contribute the improvement of status of targeted stocks as presented in Table 2 below.

Table 2.

Fleet segment		Measure	Targets	Time-frame
PS	VL0612	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limitation of effort and capacity ▪ Time and spatial regulation (whole period) pursuant to GFCM MP (including temporary closures of 30 days in sardine and anchovy spawning period as well as spatio-temporal regulation in channel areas) ▪ Limitation of catch through annual catch limits pursuant to GFCM MAP for small pelagics ▪ Improvement of survey and stock assessment (cont.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improvement of SHI <i>(Improvement of stock status of target species following GFCM MAP and improvement of recruitment through time-spatial regulation)</i> ▪ Improvement of economic performances <i>(Further increase of average price at first sale with impact on economic indicators, aiming to improve levels as assessed in this Fleet report)</i> 	2022-2028
	VL1218			
	VL1824			
	VL2440			
DTS	VL0006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Continue to implement the GFCM MAP ▪ Limitation of fleet capacity ▪ Limitation and reduction of fishing effort pursuant to GFCM MAP ▪ Time and spatial regulation pursuant to GFCM and national legal framework (including temporary closure of 30 days) ▪ Implementation of Jabuka FRA and possible implementation of additional no-take zones (depending on scientific recommendation) ▪ Improvement in MSC (cont.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improvement of SHI <i>(Improvement of stock status of target species following GFCM MAP and improvement of recruitment through time-spatial regulation and FRA implementation)</i> ▪ Improvement of economic performances <i>(Further increase of average price at first sale through improvement of catch composition (benefits of FRA) with impact on economic indicators aiming to achieve positive trends over 2020-21 period)</i> 	2022 -2026
	VL0612			
	VL1218			
	VL1824			
	VL2440			
DRB	VL0612	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limitation of capacity through authorisation process ▪ Revision of spatio-temporal management measures (including temporary closure of 30 days) ▪ Improvement in MSC (cont.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improvement of SHI <i>(Improvement of stock status of target species)</i> ▪ Improvement of economic performances <i>(Further increase of average price at first sale with impact on economic indicators, aiming to improve level as assessed in this Fleet report)</i> 	2022
	VL1218			

Expected outcomes

Expected outcomes of the main measures are presented in the Table 1 of the Action plan. On the other hand, for other measures that are listed in the Table 2 of the Action plan, direct outcome is not possible to be quantified since they are directed in the overall improvement of the fisheries and status of target stocks. However, witnessing the effects that these measure have had over the past years, it can be expected that

they will contribute to continuation of positive trends in the future period. Namely, due to a strict spatial regime that is in place in the channel areas for bottom trawls, scientific monitoring is confirming that biomass and abundance of the key stocks is significantly better than in the open sea areas. Similar effect can be observed upon proclamation of Jabuka FRA where after only few years of closure strong positive trends can be observed. Based on this experience similar effect can be expected from the proposed measures regarding effort, spatial and temporal management.

Buy-off of fishing gears

Measure of fishing gears buy-off is newly proposed by Croatia and pending approval from the EC. This measure is directed to permanent removal of active vessels holding fishing authorisations (which are related to certain fishing gear) by deleting the authorisation including corresponding fishing rights from the fishing licence (deleting of fishing gear from the licence). By doing so, certain vessel will be removed from the particular fishery, but having a chance to continue participating in the fisheries using other gears with lower impact on stock and/or environment. When applying this measure, vessel will be subject to further limitation in order to prevent the possibility to re-activate in the subject fishery by transferring non-active authorisation or licence. This measure will be directed to vessels using:

- Dredges (DRB) - dredges are fishing gears which are targeting clams, oysters and scallops. They operate as towing gears with significant interaction with sea bottom. During the 2022 Croatia initiated update of management regime including revision of spatio-temporal regime and authorisation process is foreseen. However, since fishery has strong regional importance it is necessary to allow the transformation of the fleet to lower impact gears.
- Shore seines (SB) – shore seines operate under derogation from the Mediterranean Regulations for minimum distance from the shore and for operating above *Posidonia* beds. In light of green transformation of EU fisheries Croatian intends to gradually phase-out these fisheries. However, since all of the vessels involved are less than 12 m and 85 kW there is no financial interest for them to be a part of permanent cessation. At the same time fleet is distributed along the coast and islands where it is important to maintain their activity as professional fishermen. For this reason, they will be allowed to continue with other fishing practices with lower impact on the stocks and environment.
- Small purse seines (PS) - same as SB small purse seines are gears that operate under derogations from the Mediterranean Regulation for approaching the shore. These gears are ‘ciparica’ fishing for mullets (*Mugilidae*), traditional purse seine ‘palamidara’ fishing for bonito (*Sarda sarda*), bullet tuna (*Auxis rochei*), little tunny (*Euthynnus alletteratus*) and greater amberjack (*Seriola dumerili*), traditional purse seine ‘oližnica’ fishing for sand smelt (*Atherina boyeri*) and traditional purse seine ‘igličara’ fishing for needle fish (*Belone belone*). These fleets are distributed along the coast and island where it is important to keep their activity as professional fishermen. For this reason, they will be allowed to continue with other fishing practices with lower impact on the stocks and environment.
- Red coral – currently, there are only 10 vessels holding the authorisation for red coral fishing. It needs to be stressed that Croatia addressed the issue of the overcapacity in this fishery segment by applying the mechanism of authorisation based on criteria including the historical activity and catches and thus reduced the fleet from 51 vessels to 10. This process took place in 2021. Considering the critical status of red coral and its fragile nature, and pending results of scientific studies which are currently being implemented and which should give a clearer insight into the status of this stock along the eastern Adriatic coast, Croatia plans to, by applying a precautionary approach, further decrease the fleet capacity in this small fishery segment.

Nevertheless, it is important to stress that withdrawal of these gears will not have negative effect of those types of fishing that are under management plans or other restrictive management, such as bottom trawls or PS for small pelagics, since these fleets are limited by their capacity and effort or catch and it is not possible to issue any additional authorisations for those fisheries.

However, this measure is difficult to implement at the level of fleet segments, because the vessels are segmented based on their dominant gear in terms of fishing days (51% of effort) and they have been distributed over different segments, out which not all are assessed as out of balance. By doing so, this Action plan also bring to the light other consideration besides default indicators. Nevertheless, we find this necessary to be in line with general transition towards fisheries that is not only balanced with available recourses and profitable (in line with biological and economic indicators) but also which have low negative impact on the environment and habitats on which fishing vessel is operating. At the same time, removal of such fishing practices will contribute to further improvement of status for all related segments, regardless on their balance assessment. Distribution of authorised vessels using DRB, SB small PS and vessels holding authorisation for red corral is presented in [Table 3](#).

Table 3.

Buy-off of fishing gears				
Fishing gear	Allocation of authorised vessels to fleet segments in 2021⁴	No of active vessels	Target reduction and expected outcome	Time frame for implementation
Shore seines (SB)	DFNVL0006	1	Withdrawal of all authorisations for shore seines through phasing-out	2023-2025
	DFNVL0612	10		
	DTSVL0612	37		
	HOKVL0612	1		
	PMPVL0612	7		
	PSVL0612	2		
Red coral vessels	HOKVL0612	1	Withdrawal of 50% of authorisations for red coral	2023 ⁵ -
	MGOVL0006	1		
	MGOVL0612	3		
Small purse seines (PS)	DFNVL0006	1	Withdrawal of all authorisations for small PS that require derogation through phasing-out	2023-2025
	DFNVL0612	5		
	DFNVL1218	1		
	DTSVL0612	4		
	PMPVL0612	3		
	PSVL0612	19		
	PSVL1218	8		
Dredges (DRB)	DFNVL0612	2	Withdrawal of 30% of authorisations for DRB	2023
	DRBVL0612	8		
	DRBVL1218	16		
	DTSVL0612	2		
	DTSVL1218	10		
	MGOVL0612	1		
	PMPVL0612	1		

⁴ Distribution of authorized vessels in the different fleet segments is indicated in the table according to 2021 fleet segmentation, however allocation of vessels to fleet segments is subject to change as it depends on fishing activity in a certain year.

⁵ Should the results of the ongoing scientific studies indicate the need for complete cessation of this activity, the continuation of this process shall be envisaged by the Action plan included within the next FR.

ANNEX I. Calculation of indicators on the balance between fleet capacity and fishing opportunities

A) Calculation of Vessel Utilisation Indicator for the period 2012-2021

Traffic light system: 0.7 < red; 0.7 ≥ yellow > 0.9; ≥ 0.9 green

Year	Fleet segment		No vessels	Days at sea	Observed Average Maximum Days at Sea	Average days at sea per vessel	VUR	VUR220
2012	DFN	VL0006	327	25.964	264	79	0,3	0,4
2012	DFN	VL0612	757	68.953	281	91	0,3	0,4
2012	DFN	VL1218	29	1.574	97	54	0,6	0,2
2012	DRB	VL0612	10	1.061	106	106	1,0	0,5
2012	DRB	VL1218	11	1.102	107	100	0,9	0,5
2012	DTS	VL0612	211	16.692	193	79	0,4	0,4
2012	DTS	VL1218	211	18.780	217	89	0,4	0,4
2012	DTS	VL1824	43	5.427	220	126	0,6	0,6
2012	DTS	VL2440	19	3.055	245	161	0,7	0,7
2012	FPO	VL0006	41	2.832	130	69	0,5	0,3
2012	FPO	VL0612	119	9.949	178	84	0,5	0,4
2012	HOK	VL0006	84	3.628	114	43	0,4	0,2
2012	HOK	VL0612	232	14.098	185	61	0,3	0,3
2012	MGO	VL0006	276	15.756	212	57	0,3	0,3
2012	MGO	VL0612	79	5.945	172	75	0,4	0,3
2012	PGP	VL0006	14	700	30	50	1,6	0,2
2012	PGP	VL0612	25	1.905	131	76	0,6	0,3
2012	PMP	VL0006	45	2.557	131	57	0,4	0,3
2012	PMP	VL0612	63	4.650	182	74	0,4	0,3
2012	PS	VL0612	41	3.528	179	86	0,5	0,4
2012	PS	VL1218	42	5.978	240	142	0,6	0,6
2012	PS	VL1824	57	9.234	251	162	0,6	0,7
2012	PS	VL2440	72	12.136	251	169	0,7	0,8
2013	DFN	VL0006	327	26.332	259	81	0,3	0,4
2013	DFN	VL0612	735	65.688	281	89	0,3	0,4
2013	DFN	VL1218	23	1.201	86	52	0,6	0,2
2013	DRB	VL0612	13	1.200	117	92	0,8	0,4
2013	DRB	VL1218	19	1.943	136	102	0,8	0,5
2013	DTS	VL0612	202	15.687	194	78	0,4	0,4
2013	DTS	VL1218	204	18.520	218	91	0,4	0,4
2013	DTS	VL1824	41	6.145	238	150	0,6	0,7
2013	DTS	VL2440	16	3.236	275	202	0,7	0,9
2013	FPO	VL0006	42	2.915	133	69	0,5	0,3
2013	FPO	VL0612	118	10.539	238	89	0,4	0,4
2013	HOK	VL0006	103	4.074	146	40	0,3	0,2
2013	HOK	VL0612	263	15.338	194	58	0,3	0,3
2013	MGO	VL0006	277	17.433	219	63	0,3	0,3
2013	MGO	VL0612	79	6.467	181	82	0,5	0,4
2013	PGP	VL0006	18	1.056	72	59	0,8	0,3
2013	PGP	VL0612	26	2.126	151	82	0,5	0,4
2013	PMP	VL0006	39	2.634	144	68	0,5	0,3
2013	PMP	VL0612	55	4.986	187	91	0,5	0,4
2013	PS	VL0612	40	4.358	208	109	0,5	0,5

Year	Fleet segment		No vessels	Days at sea	Observed Average Maximum Days at Sea	Average days at sea per vessel	VUR	VUR220
2013	PS	VL1218	45	6.424	242	143	0,6	0,6
2013	PS	VL1824	54	9.160	253	170	0,7	0,8
2013	PS	VL2440	68	12.892	260	190	0,7	0,9
2014	DFN	VL0006	320	26.673	269	83	0,3	0,4
2014	DFN	VL0612	692	65.520	296	95	0,3	0,4
2014	DFN	VL1218	21	1.108	80	53	0,7	0,2
2014	DRB	VL0612	15	1.487	124	99	0,8	0,5
2014	DRB	VL1218	18	2.421	164	135	0,8	0,6
2014	DTS	VL0612	192	15.901	203	83	0,4	0,4
2014	DTS	VL1218	200	18.726	228	94	0,4	0,4
2014	DTS	VL1824	41	6.247	230	152	0,7	0,7
2014	DTS	VL2440	16	3.261	265	204	0,8	0,9
2014	FPO	VL0006	42	2.837	135	68	0,5	0,3
2014	FPO	VL0612	111	9.942	191	90	0,5	0,4
2014	HOK	VL0006	101	4.396	136	44	0,3	0,2
2014	HOK	VL0612	259	15.245	175	59	0,3	0,3
2014	MGO	VL0006	270	17.356	220	64	0,3	0,3
2014	MGO	VL0612	72	6.591	192	92	0,5	0,4
2014	PGP	VL0006	21	1.054	66	50	0,8	0,2
2014	PGP	VL0612	29	1.986	128	68	0,5	0,3
2014	PMP	VL0006	26	2.111	138	81	0,6	0,4
2014	PMP	VL0612	64	5.149	168	80	0,5	0,4
2014	PS	VL0612	42	4.134	191	98	0,5	0,4
2014	PS	VL1218	41	5.917	235	144	0,6	0,7
2014	PS	VL1824	53	9.876	254	186	0,7	0,8
2014	PS	VL2440	70	13.298	251	190	0,8	0,9
2015	DFN	VL0006	328	26.670	281	81	0,3	0,4
2015	DFN	VL0612	713	67.090	283	94	0,3	0,4
2015	DFN	VL1218	21	1.232	94	59	0,6	0,3
2015	DRB	VL0612	18	1.991	156	111	0,7	0,5
2015	DRB	VL1218	29	3.885	193	134	0,7	0,6
2015	DTS	VL0612	180	15.310	211	85	0,4	0,4
2015	DTS	VL1218	191	18.561	217	97	0,4	0,4
2015	DTS	VL1824	40	5.394	222	135	0,6	0,6
2015	DTS	VL2440	17	3.462	265	204	0,8	0,9
2015	FPO	VL0006	44	3.241	154	74	0,5	0,3
2015	FPO	VL0612	109	10.375	198	95	0,5	0,4
2015	HOK	VL0006	100	4.283	147	43	0,3	0,2
2015	HOK	VL0612	235	13.158	162	56	0,3	0,3
2015	MGO	VL0006	273	19.498	272	71	0,3	0,3
2015	MGO	VL0612	82	7.636	200	93	0,5	0,4
2015	PGP	VL0006	62	1.564	102	25	0,2	0,1
2015	PGP	VL0612	92	4.475	177	49	0,3	0,2
2015	PMP	VL0006	36	1.850	104	51	0,5	0,2
2015	PMP	VL0612	52	3.422	126	66	0,5	0,3
2015	PS	VL0612	40	3.737	162	93	0,6	0,4
2015	PS	VL1218	38	5.053	199	133	0,7	0,6
2015	PS	VL1824	52	8.033	204	154	0,8	0,7
2015	PS	VL2440	71	12.072	205	170	0,8	0,8

Year	Fleet segment		No vessels	Days at sea	Observed Average Maximum Days at Sea	Average days at sea per vessel	VUR	VUR220
2016	DFN	VL0006	327	25.551	275	78	0,3	0,4
2016	DFN	VL0612	664	60.079	285	90	0,3	0,4
2016	DFN	VL1218	16	870	74	54	0,7	0,2
2016	DRB	VL0612	20	1.751	130	88	0,7	0,4
2016	DRB	VL1218	33	3.820	176	116	0,7	0,5
2016	DTS	VL0612	159	13.592	204	85	0,4	0,4
2016	DTS	VL1218	180	17.950	221	100	0,5	0,5
2016	DTS	VL1824	34	5.546	252	163	0,6	0,7
2016	DTS	VL2440	14	2.575	231	184	0,8	0,8
2016	FPO	VL0006	49	3.314	156	68	0,4	0,3
2016	FPO	VL0612	123	10.418	186	85	0,5	0,4
2016	HOK	VL0006	85	3.665	132	43	0,3	0,2
2016	HOK	VL0612	243	14.796	166	61	0,4	0,3
2016	MGO	VL0006	266	19.403	257	73	0,3	0,3
2016	MGO	VL0612	76	6.363	191	84	0,4	0,4
2016	PGP	VL0006	2.123	4.721	154	2	0,0	0,0
2016	PGP	VL0612	623	4.226	142	7	0,0	0,0
2016	PMP	VL0006	39	2.376	130	61	0,5	0,3
2016	PMP	VL0612	63	5.023	159	80	0,5	0,4
2016	PS	VL0612	34	3.174	172	93	0,5	0,4
2016	PS	VL1218	35	4.496	207	128	0,6	0,6
2016	PS	VL1824	48	8.409	217	175	0,8	0,8
2016	PS	VL2440	70	12.688	216	181	0,8	0,8
2017	DFN	VL0006	313	27.154	266	87	0,3	0,4
2017	DFN	VL0612	667	62.683	283	94	0,3	0,4
2017	DFN	VL1218	18	1.314	105	73	0,7	0,3
2017	DRB	VL0612	13	1.325	121	102	0,8	0,5
2017	DRB	VL1218	30	3.560	168	119	0,7	0,5
2017	DTS	VL0612	166	16.332	213	98	0,5	0,4
2017	DTS	VL1218	169	18.731	233	111	0,5	0,5
2017	DTS	VL1824	30	4.981	252	166	0,7	0,8
2017	DTS	VL2440	13	2.240	207	172	0,8	0,8
2017	FPO	VL0006	43	3.088	156	72	0,5	0,3
2017	FPO	VL0612	112	10.540	191	94	0,5	0,4
2017	HOK	VL0006	81	3.745	142	46	0,3	0,2
2017	HOK	VL0612	233	15.254	181	65	0,4	0,3
2017	MGO	VL0006	268	18.784	247	70	0,3	0,3
2017	MGO	VL0612	72	6.611	212	92	0,4	0,4
2017	PGP	VL0006	2.786	3.901	146	1	0,0	0,0
2017	PGP	VL0612	780	3.841	148	5	0,0	0,0
2017	PMP	VL0006	29	1.561	111	54	0,5	0,2
2017	PMP	VL0612	41	3.900	146	95	0,7	0,4
2017	PS	VL0612	35	3.413	189	98	0,5	0,4
2017	PS	VL1218	31	4.052	192	131	0,7	0,6
2017	PS	VL1824	49	7.856	210	160	0,8	0,7
2017	PS	VL2440	73	11.578	210	159	0,8	0,7
2018	DFN	VL0006	325	30.902	296	95	0,3	0,4
2018	DFN	VL0612	664	71.008	311	107	0,3	0,5
2018	DFN	VL1218	19	1.121	92	59	0,6	0,3

Year	Fleet segment		No vessels	Days at sea	Observed Average Maximum Days at Sea	Average days at sea per vessel	VUR	VUR220
2018	DRB	VL0612	13	1.323	122	102	0,8	0,5
2018	DRB	VL1218	20	2.119	150	106	0,7	0,5
2018	DTS	VL0612	150	14.520	221	97	0,4	0,4
2018	DTS	VL1218	163	19.603	235	120	0,5	0,5
2018	DTS	VL1824	28	4.622	263	165	0,6	0,8
2018	DTS	VL2440	9	1.894	210	210	1,0	1,0
2018	FPO	VL0006	51	3.904	168	77	0,5	0,3
2018	FPO	VL0612	107	12.182	240	114	0,5	0,5
2018	HOK	VL0006	100	4.488	152	45	0,3	0,2
2018	HOK	VL0612	246	17.423	215	71	0,3	0,3
2018	MGO	VL0006	266	21.902	296	82	0,3	0,4
2018	MGO	VL0612	63	5.680	218	90	0,4	0,4
2018	PGP	VL0006	2.816	11.993	131	4	0,0	0,0
2018	PGP	VL0612	794	5.776	148	7	0,0	0,0
2018	PMP	VL0006	29	2.266	152	78	0,5	0,4
2018	PMP	VL0612	34	3.039	156	89	0,6	0,4
2018	PS	VL0612	27	3.331	205	123	0,6	0,6
2018	PS	VL1218	34	4.315	190	127	0,7	0,6
2018	PS	VL1824	43	6.864	197	160	0,8	0,7
2018	PS	VL2440	62	10.342	201	167	0,8	0,8
2019	DFN	VL0006	341	36.232	328	106	0,3	0,5
2019	DFN	VL0612	675	75.881	313	112	0,4	0,5
2019	DFN	VL1218	19	1.404	115	74	0,6	0,3
2019	DRB	VL0612	12	1.131	110	94	0,9	0,4
2019	DRB	VL1218	16	1.717	135	107	0,8	0,5
2019	DTS	VL0612	145	13.396	216	92	0,4	0,4
2019	DTS	VL1218	155	17.118	218	110	0,5	0,5
2019	DTS	VL1824	29	5.097	255	176	0,7	0,8
2019	DTS	VL2440	9	1.839	204	204	1,0	0,9
2019	FPO	VL0006	47	3.751	163	80	0,5	0,4
2019	FPO	VL0612	114	13.096	262	115	0,4	0,5
2019	HOK	VL0006	91	4.548	151	50	0,3	0,2
2019	HOK	VL0612	252	18.533	264	74	0,3	0,3
2019	MGO	VL0006	266	25.392	328	95	0,3	0,4
2019	MGO	VL0612	61	6.232	257	102	0,4	0,5
2019	PGP	VL0006	2.938	40.369	196	14	0,1	0,1
2019	PGP	VL0612	833	12.430	148	15	0,1	0,1
2019	PMP	VL0006	28	2.238	137	80	0,6	0,4
2019	PMP	VL0612	17	1.978	149	116	0,8	0,5
2019	PS	VL0612	28	3.440	202	123	0,6	0,6
2019	PS	VL1218	37	4.120	182	111	0,6	0,5
2019	PS	VL1824	41	6.633	200	162	0,8	0,7
2019	PS	VL2440	62	10.105	207	163	0,8	0,7
2020	DFN	VL0006	337	37.534	344	111	0,3	0,5
2020	DFN	VL0612	681	81.371	325	119	0,4	0,5
2020	DFN	VL1218	19	1.844	141	97	0,7	0,4
2020	DRB	VL0612	8	894	127	112	0,9	0,5
2020	DRB	VL1218	15	1.637	139	109	0,8	0,5
2020	DTS	VL0612	147	15.258	229	104	0,5	0,5

Year	Fleet segment		No vessels	Days at sea	Observed Average Maximum Days at Sea	Average days at sea per vessel	VUR	VUR220
2020	DTS	VL1218	159	17.589	222	111	0,5	0,5
2020	DTS	VL1824	29	4.507	224	155	0,7	0,7
2020	DTS	VL2440	9	1.628	181	181	1,0	0,8
2020	FPO	VL0006	46	3.727	175	81	0,5	0,4
2020	FPO	VL0612	113	12.798	269	113	0,4	0,5
2020	HOK	VL0006	99	5.293	155	53	0,3	0,2
2020	HOK	VL0612	261	19.509	228	75	0,3	0,3
2020	MGO	VL0006	272	26.701	335	98	0,3	0,4
2020	MGO	VL0612	57	5.853	250	103	0,4	0,5
2020	PGP	VL0006	2.945	40.148	188	14	0,1	0,1
2020	PGP	VL0612	822	11.952	142	15	0,1	0,1
2020	PMP	VL0006	36	3.741	198	104	0,5	0,5
2020	PMP	VL0612	29	2.566	142	88	0,6	0,4
2020	PS	VL0612	31	3.385	194	109	0,6	0,5
2020	PS	VL1218	34	4.679	188	138	0,7	0,6
2020	PS	VL1824	39	6.145	190	158	0,8	0,7
2020	PS	VL2440	63	9.671	189	154	0,8	0,7
2021	DFN	VL0006	343	40.074	342	117	0,3	0,5
2021	DFN	VL0612	676	80.706	323	119	0,4	0,5
2021	DFN	VL1218	18	1.338	114	74	0,7	0,3
2021	DRB	VL0612	9	937	104	104	1,0	0,5
2021	DRB	VL1218	16	1.907	152	119	0,8	0,5
2021	DTS	VL0612	141	15.003	228	106	0,5	0,5
2021	DTS	VL1218	155	17.134	231	111	0,5	0,5
2021	DTS	VL1824	29	5.244	254	181	0,7	0,8
2021	DTS	VL2440	9	1.860	207	207	1,0	0,9
2021	FPO	VL0006	48	4.624	208	96	0,5	0,4
2021	FPO	VL0612	125	15.188	280	122	0,4	0,6
2021	HOK	VL0006	104	5.999	188	58	0,3	0,3
2021	HOK	VL0612	245	17.863	228	73	0,3	0,3
2021	MGO	VL0006	271	28.990	340	107	0,3	0,5
2021	MGO	VL0612	52	6.260	275	120	0,4	0,5
2021	PGP	VL0006	2.951	33.994	164	12	0,1	0,1
2021	PGP	VL0612	819	10.923	182	13	0,1	0,1
2021	PMP	VL0006	30	3.320	202	111	0,5	0,5
2021	PMP	VL0612	25	3.030	196	121	0,6	0,6
2021	PS	VL0612	29	2.958	171	102	0,6	0,5
2021	PS	VL1218	37	4.773	190	129	0,7	0,6
2021	PS	VL1824	40	6.609	208	165	0,8	0,8
2021	PS	VL2440	63	10.517	204	167	0,8	0,8

B.1) Overview of SHI per fleet segment for 2020

According to the criteria in the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines, the SHI indicator values can be used meaningfully to assess the balance or imbalance of fleet segments based on stocks that comprise more than 40% of the total value of landings by those fleet segments (highlighted in red in column "share" in the table below). Traffic light: SHI ≥ 1 'out of balance'; SHI < 1 'in balance' (according to the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines). Landing values in table below are expressed in thousand EUR.

Fleet segment	ASSESSED SPECIES – LANDING VALUE (THOUSAND EUR) – GSA 17 – 2020																		Total FS Landing Value	Share, %	SHI						
	ANE		CTC		DPS		HKE		MNZ		MTS		MUT		NEP		PIL					SJA		SOL		Total	
	<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>		<i>Sepia officinalis</i>		<i>Parapenaeus longirostris</i>		<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>		<i>Lophius budegassa</i>		<i>Squilla mantis</i>		<i>Mullus barbatus</i>		<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>		<i>Sardina pilchardus</i>					<i>Pecten jacobaeus</i>		<i>Solea solea</i>			
DFN	VL0006	0,02	0%	80,51	9%	0,04	0%	47,30	5%	11,99	1%	0,11	0%	3,11	0%	11,31	1%	0,03	0%	0,09	0%	56,27	6%	210,77	940,52	22	0,3
DFN	VL0612	0,08	0%	178,70	5%	0,07	0%	237,76	6%	46,88	1%	0,39	0%	9,67	0%	20,80	1%	0,38	0%	5,24	0%	988,38	25%	1.488,34	3.879,94	38	0,5
DFN	VL1218	0,00	0%	4,75	2%	-	0%	2,10	1%	2,04	1%	0,01	0%	0,69	0%	0,83	0%	0,00	0%	-	0%	113,61	47%	124,02	240,10	52	0,6
DRB	VL0612	-	0%	28,29	12%	-	0%	0,02	0%	0,03	0%	0,01	0%	0,72	0%	-	0%	-	0%	75,63	31%	103,28	43%	207,98	242,56	86	1,5
DRB	VL1218	-	0%	75,00	15%	0,07	0%	0,95	0%	0,46	0%	0,35	0%	2,17	0%	-	0%	-	0%	111,70	22%	220,32	44%	411,00	505,00	81	1,3
DTS	VL0612	0,28	0%	50,41	2%	115,98	4%	641,56	20%	91,86	3%	4,04	0%	295,19	9%	366,60	12%	0,14	0%	14,57	0%	36,36	1%	1.616,97	3.136,04	52	1,1
DTS	VL1218	0,07	0%	100,56	2%	569,46	9%	1.416,88	22%	197,77	3%	6,99	0%	653,07	10%	576,27	9%	0,07	0%	50,09	1%	126,68	2%	3.697,91	6.390,10	58	1,3
DTS	VL1824	-	0%	1,07	0%	665,53	19%	863,45	25%	192,34	5%	0,21	0%	131,09	4%	887,34	25%	-	0%	-	0%	1,46	0%	2.742,51	3.498,57	78	1,8
DTS	VL2440	-	0%	0,63	0%	385,43	20%	429,80	22%	117,44	6%	0,10	0%	85,67	4%	532,71	27%	-	0%	-	0%	0,42	0%	1.552,19	1.940,52	80	1,8
FPO	VL0006	0,01	0%	0,70	1%	-	0%	0,81	1%	0,13	0%	0,05	0%	0,01	0%	72,69	55%	0,02	0%	-	0%	0,03	0%	74,46	132,62	56	0,8
FPO	VL0612	0,01	0%	1,23	0%	-	0%	11,41	2%	0,52	0%	0,01	0%	0,08	0%	512,86	70%	0,01	0%	-	0%	0,05	0%	526,16	731,33	72	1,1
HOK	VL0006	-	0%	2,75	2%	-	0%	15,11	11%	0,32	0%	0,01	0%	0,10	0%	0,22	0%	-	0%	-	0%	0,22	0%	18,73	134,67	14	0,3
HOK	VL0612	0,00	0%	6,79	0%	-	0%	459,56	20%	2,32	0%	0,01	0%	0,13	0%	-	0%	0,00	0%	-	0%	0,46	0%	469,27	2.270,05	21	0,6
MGO	VL0006	-	0%	29,12	2%	-	0%	1,32	0%	0,06	0%	0,04	0%	0,11	0%	0,03	0%	-	0%	9,70	1%	3,82	0%	44,20	1.669,13	3	0,0
MGO	VL0612	-	0%	1,61	0%	-	0%	0,64	0%	0,10	0%	0,01	0%	-	0%	0,88	0%	-	0%	7,02	1%	11,73	1%	21,97	972,13	2	0,0
PGP	VL0006	-	0%	5,85	1%	0,01	0%	53,91	13%	0,86	0%	0,05	0%	2,81	1%	0,24	0%	0,00	0%	0,01	0%	1,50	0%	65,24	428,91	15	0,4
PGP	VL0612	-	0%	3,36	1%	-	0%	136,71	28%	0,97	0%	0,07	0%	0,98	0%	-	0%	0,00	0%	-	0%	10,07	2%	152,16	481,65	32	0,8
PMP	VL0006	0,00	0%	4,14	3%	-	0%	2,29	2%	0,22	0%	0,00	0%	0,11	0%	2,66	2%	0,00	0%	0,28	0%	0,68	1%	10,38	120,49	9	0,1
PMP	VL0612	6,94	3%	6,71	3%	-	0%	2,89	1%	0,40	0%	-	0%	0,37	0%	4,66	2%	60,93	30%	7,91	4%	17,95	9%	108,75	205,85	53	1,7
PS	VL0612	189,31	24%	1,43	0%	-	0%	14,26	2%	0,27	0%	-	0%	0,29	0%	-	0%	417,92	54%	-	0%	0,05	0%	623,52	777,86	80	2,8
PS	VL1218	1.032,27	23%	-	0%	0,57	0%	1,66	0%	0,09	0%	0,24	0%	1,00	0%	-	0%	3.180,89	70%	-	0%	-	0%	4.216,73	4.540,23	93	3,4
PS	VL1824	3.072,60	32%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	5.996,61	62%	-	0%	-	0%	9.069,20	9.712,50	93	3,2
PS	VL2440	4.923,97	27%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	12.181,82	67%	-	0%	-	0%	17.105,79	18.103,33	94	3,4
TOTAL		9.225,55	-	583,61	-	1.737,14	-	4.340,39	-	667,06	-	12,70	-	1.187,35	-	2.990,06	-	21.838,82	-	282,22	-	1.693,33	-	44.558,25	61.054,10	73	2,3
Current values (F _{curr})		1,22		0,20		1,49		0,454		0,31		0,33		0,69		0,71		2,11		0,71		0,27					
Ref. point (F _{MSY} or F _{0.1})		0,81		0,25		0,50		0,167		0,22		0,36		0,34		0,45		0,47		0,25		0,237					
F _{curr} /F _{unique}		1,51		0,81		2,98		2,72		1,41		0,24		2,03		1,50		4,43		2,86		1,15					
Reference		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		WGSAD 2019		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021		SRC-AS 2021					

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B.2) Overview of SAR per fleet segment for 2020

Traffic light: SAR ≥ 1 'out of balance'; SAR < 1 'in balance'. No SAR found when SAR = -1 (according to the 2014 Balance Indicator Guidelines)

Fleet segment		STOCKS AT RISK – CATCH (KG) – GSA 17 – 2020									Total FS Catch (kg)	SAR	Status 2020	
		<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>			<i>Corallium rubrum</i>			<i>Anguilla anguilla</i>						
		Catch	1	2	Catch	1	2	Catch	1	2				
DFN	VL0006	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	111,00	0%	29%	196.674,58	1	Out of balance	
DFN	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	9,50	0%	2%	663.905,93	0	In balance	
DFN	VL1218	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	36.399,31	-1	No SAR found	
DRB	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	46.507,36	-1	No SAR found	
DRB	VL1218	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	100.257,93	-1	No SAR found	
DTS	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	145,00	0%	38%	915.032,53	1	Out of balance	
DTS	VL1218	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	1.795.876,59	-1	No SAR found	
DTS	VL1824	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	907.309,77	-1	No SAR found	
DTS	VL2440	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	502.001,18	-1	No SAR found	
FPO	VL0006	-	0%	0%	2,70	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	18.367,65	0	In balance	
FPO	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	73.237,93	-1	No SAR found	
HOK	VL0006	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	22.960,62	-1	No SAR found	
HOK	VL0612	70.328,77	19%	8%	55,00	0%	9%	-	0%	0%	362.955,43	1	Out of balance	
MGO	VL0006	-	0%	0%	276,00	0%	48%	7,00	0%	2%	299.144,73	1	Out of balance	
MGO	VL0612	-	0%	0%	245,30	0%	42%	-	0%	0%	112.801,37	1	Out of balance	
PGP	VL0006	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	18,10	0%	5%	118.029,82	0	In balance	
PGP	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	91.722,78	-1	No SAR found	
PMP	VL0006	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	32,00	0%	8%	18.547,94	0	In balance	
PMP	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	64,00	0%	17%	177.788,77	1	Out of balance	
PS	VL0612	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	1.258.517,30	-1	No SAR found	
PS	VL1218	683,09	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	8.815.195,61	0	In balance	
PS	VL1824	137.552,17	1%	15%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	18.435.669,56	1	Out of balance	
PS	VL2440	691.516,96	2%	77%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	36.188.954,00	1	Out of balance	
TOTAL		900.080,98 kg			579,00 kg			386,60 kg			71.157.858,67 kg			

Criteria to determine SAR balance status: 1 - The share of stock at risk in the catches by the fleet segment. In case the stocks make up to 10% or more of the catches by the fleet segment, it is considered out of balance; or 2 - The share of stock at risk caught by the fleet segment in the total catches from that stock. In case the fleet segment takes 10% or more of the total catches from that stock it is considered out of balance.

C) Calculation of CR/BER and RoFTA for the period 2012-2020

Values of variables are expressed in million euro.

Traffic light system: RoFTA \geq TRP "in balance"; > 0 RoFTA \leq TRP "not sufficiently profitable" and RoFTA < 0 "out of balance". CR/BER green ≥ 1 ; red < 1.0 ; (negative values dark red).

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2012	DFN	VL0006	0,60	0,00	0,19	0,31	0,34	0,16	0,05	0,07	0,10	3,75	0,50	0,72	0,60	-2,66	-0,61	-0,23	-16,4%
2012	DFN	VL0612	3,16	1,18	0,69	2,10	1,71	0,44	1,15	0,50	0,83	24,93	2,79	4,63	4,34	-41,16	-3,09	-0,11	-12,4%
2012	DFN	VL1218	0,34	0,00	0,07	0,26	0,26	0,02	0,19	0,10	0,01	2,78	0,33	0,58	0,34	-0,48	-0,57	-0,71	-20,4%
2012	DRB	VL0612	0,34	0,03	0,06	0,06	0,05	0,00	0,11	0,02	0,01	0,62	0,12	0,19	0,37	0,25	0,06	1,49	9,5%
2012	DRB	VL1218	0,20	0,00	0,02	0,10	0,13	0,01	0,19	0,06	0,02	1,03	0,12	0,40	0,20	-0,12	-0,32	-1,63	-30,7%
2012	DTS	VL0612	2,51	0,26	0,23	0,99	0,96	0,10	1,59	0,27	0,30	11,61	1,22	3,22	2,77	-7,45	-1,68	-0,37	-14,4%
2012	DTS	VL1218	6,02	0,27	0,72	2,04	1,43	0,12	4,13	0,64	0,69	23,06	2,76	7,00	6,30	-24,61	-3,47	-0,26	-15,0%
2012	DTS	VL1824	2,82	0,14	0,22	1,16	0,59	0,05	2,22	0,34	0,21	13,51	1,39	3,41	2,97	-9,38	-1,83	-0,32	-13,5%
2012	DTS	VL2440	2,92	0,22	0,18	1,06	0,54	0,05	2,14	0,30	0,27	11,75	1,24	3,30	3,13	-23,49	-1,40	-0,13	-12,0%
2012	FPO	VL0006	0,09	0,00	0,01	0,04	0,04	0,03	0,02	0,00	0,02	0,49	0,05	0,11	0,09	-0,18	-0,07	-0,49	-14,7%
2012	FPO	VL0612	0,47	0,00	0,02	0,27	0,31	0,00	0,17	0,09	0,11	3,19	0,29	0,69	0,47	-0,64	-0,51	-0,75	-16,1%
2012	HOK	VL0006	0,09	0,00	0,01	0,07	0,17	0,17	0,01	0,04	0,00	0,85	0,08	0,38	0,09	-0,02	-0,37	-3,83	-43,5%
2012	HOK	VL0612	0,93	0,80	0,30	0,93	0,35	0,13	0,52	0,68	0,78	10,59	1,24	2,47	1,73	-2,91	-1,97	-0,60	-18,7%
2012	MGO	VL0006	0,88	0,19	0,26	0,21	0,37	0,08	0,01	0,13	0,23	2,50	0,47	0,82	1,07	2,01	-0,22	0,47	-10,1%
2012	MGO	VL0612	0,78	0,00	0,02	0,28	0,11	0,02	0,13	0,04	0,16	2,93	0,30	0,46	0,78	0,73	0,02	-0,54	-16,0%
2012	PGP	VL0006	0,03	0,00	0,06	0,01	0,04	0,04	0,00	0,01	0,01	0,09	0,07	0,11	0,03	-0,03	-0,14	-1,09	-167,5%
2012	PGP	VL0612	0,12	0,00	0,01	0,04	0,07	0,07	0,03	0,02	0,00	0,40	0,05	0,19	0,12	-0,08	-0,12	-1,42	-30,9%
2012	PMP	VL0006	0,13	0,00	0,24	0,02	0,04	0,04	0,00	0,15	0,54	0,34	0,26	0,76	0,13	-0,06	-0,89	-2,55	-273,3%
2012	PMP	VL0612	0,37	0,14	0,03	0,21	0,32	0,13	0,13	0,04	0,03	2,23	0,24	0,65	0,52	-0,95	-0,37	-0,54	-16,4%
2012	PS	VL0612	0,25	0,00	0,04	0,23	0,16	0,05	0,13	0,06	0,08	2,57	0,27	0,48	0,25	-0,30	-0,50	-0,83	-19,4%
2012	PS	VL1218	2,46	0,17	0,63	0,78	1,21	0,05	0,63	0,74	0,22	7,81	1,41	2,86	2,63	-16,69	-1,63	-0,16	-20,9%
2012	PS	VL1824	7,82	0,18	0,88	2,29	2,67	0,00	2,05	0,85	1,22	24,55	3,17	6,79	8,00	20,97	-1,96	0,38	-8,0%
2012	PS	VL2440	15,04	1,81	1,67	5,30	6,03	0,00	4,38	1,58	2,29	56,12	6,96	14,27	16,85	45,56	-4,39	0,37	-7,8%
2012	Total	Total	48,41	5,40	6,59	18,76	17,90	1,74	19,97	6,75	8,12	207,71	25,35	54,49	53,80	-1.983,36	-26,03	-0,05	-12,8%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2013	DFN	VL0006	0,69	0,07	0,10	0,29	0,23	0,15	0,04	0,09	0,07	3,73	0,39	0,58	0,76	1,67	-0,21	0,42	-6,0%
2013	DFN	VL0612	3,63	1,60	0,71	1,84	1,32	0,44	1,03	0,53	0,82	24,15	2,55	4,14	5,23	12,28	-1,47	0,42	-6,1%
2013	DFN	VL1218	0,26	0,16	0,04	0,15	0,12	0,01	0,09	0,03	0,04	1,80	0,19	0,30	0,42	0,66	-0,07	0,63	-3,9%
2013	DRB	VL0612	0,44	0,07	0,04	0,06	0,11	0,01	0,11	0,05	0,02	0,77	0,10	0,31	0,51	0,26	0,10	1,94	12,6%
2013	DRB	VL1218	0,73	0,01	0,06	0,24	0,14	0,01	0,30	0,06	0,06	2,93	0,31	0,57	0,75	1,29	-0,13	0,58	-4,5%
2013	DTS	VL0612	2,85	0,65	0,28	0,88	0,89	0,20	1,41	0,41	0,45	11,66	1,16	3,36	3,50	28,44	-1,02	0,12	-8,7%
2013	DTS	VL1218	6,64	2,19	0,53	1,83	1,48	0,28	3,93	0,69	0,86	23,15	2,36	7,24	8,82	13,19	-0,78	0,67	-3,4%
2013	DTS	VL1824	3,86	0,23	0,31	0,99	0,66	0,04	2,59	0,33	0,28	13,15	1,30	3,91	4,08	31,33	-1,13	0,13	-8,6%
2013	DTS	VL2440	3,66	0,22	0,16	0,86	0,91	0,02	2,30	0,23	0,38	10,45	1,02	3,83	3,88	90,86	-0,97	0,04	-9,3%
2013	FPO	VL0006	0,14	0,01	0,02	0,04	0,02	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,03	0,49	0,05	0,10	0,14	0,16	-0,01	0,88	-1,3%
2013	FPO	VL0612	0,58	0,00	0,06	0,24	0,66	0,28	0,16	0,08	0,07	3,16	0,30	1,25	0,58	-0,26	-0,97	-2,25	-30,8%
2013	HOK	VL0006	0,12	0,00	0,01	0,07	0,30	0,27	0,00	0,02	0,02	0,96	0,08	0,61	0,12	-0,02	-0,56	-5,99	-58,7%
2013	HOK	VL0612	1,27	3,26	0,19	1,01	0,76	0,30	0,56	0,37	1,03	12,75	1,20	3,03	4,53	3,59	0,31	1,25	2,4%
2013	MGO	VL0006	1,33	0,47	0,29	0,18	0,30	0,10	0,01	0,11	0,24	2,32	0,47	0,74	1,80	0,80	0,59	2,21	24,4%
2013	MGO	VL0612	0,90	0,00	0,05	0,24	0,12	0,05	0,11	0,05	0,02	2,77	0,29	0,34	0,90	0,47	0,27	0,36	-6,6%
2013	PGP	VL0006	0,07	0,00	0,08	0,01	0,04	0,04	0,01	0,02	0,02	0,12	0,09	0,11	0,07	-0,14	-0,13	-0,50	-105,3%
2013	PGP	VL0612	0,18	0,00	0,02	0,04	0,08	0,08	0,04	0,04	0,05	0,44	0,05	0,28	0,18	-0,09	-0,15	-1,94	-35,3%
2013	PMP	VL0006	0,08	0,00	0,06	0,02	0,03	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,01	0,29	0,08	0,06	0,08	0,25	-0,05	0,33	-17,8%
2013	PMP	VL0612	0,36	0,00	0,10	0,21	0,16	0,08	0,19	0,18	0,19	2,44	0,30	0,80	0,36	-0,26	-0,74	-1,43	-30,2%
2013	PS	VL0612	0,64	0,00	0,01	0,22	0,15	0,00	0,15	0,06	0,03	2,71	0,24	0,40	0,64	0,64	-0,00	0,99	-0,1%
2013	PS	VL1218	3,28	0,26	0,28	0,80	1,17	0,03	0,65	0,36	0,34	8,66	1,08	2,55	3,54	3,84	-0,09	0,90	-1,3%
2013	PS	VL1824	9,66	0,82	0,88	2,01	2,85	0,00	1,80	0,78	1,78	23,87	2,88	7,21	10,48	9,24	0,39	1,13	1,6%
2013	PS	VL2440	19,78	2,41	1,57	4,58	6,64	0,00	4,33	1,73	3,53	53,75	6,15	16,22	22,19	22,86	-0,18	0,97	-0,3%
2013	Total	Total	61,15	12,42	5,82	16,82	19,15	2,40	19,83	6,22	10,34	206,50	22,64	57,94	73,56	106,60	-7,02	0,67	-3,7%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2014	DFN	VL0006	0,64	0,25	0,14	0,27	0,34	0,26	0,04	0,10	0,05	3,60	0,41	0,79	0,88	3,84	-0,32	0,21	-9,1%
2014	DFN	VL0612	3,42	3,29	0,61	1,72	1,59	0,67	0,95	0,68	0,60	23,01	2,33	4,50	6,71	7,07	-0,12	0,94	-0,6%
2014	DFN	VL1218	0,25	0,23	0,05	0,14	0,13	0,02	0,08	0,08	0,02	1,62	0,19	0,33	0,47	0,62	-0,04	0,77	-2,7%
2014	DRB	VL0612	0,59	0,00	0,04	0,08	0,12	0,01	0,17	0,03	0,03	0,95	0,12	0,35	0,59	0,29	0,12	2,03	12,7%
2014	DRB	VL1218	1,18	0,02	0,06	0,16	0,28	0,02	0,38	0,07	0,11	1,84	0,21	0,86	1,20	0,75	0,12	1,57	6,5%
2014	DTS	VL0612	3,18	0,14	0,28	0,86	0,70	0,30	1,50	0,40	0,26	11,52	1,14	3,16	3,32	24,74	-0,99	0,13	-8,6%
2014	DTS	VL1218	6,82	2,78	0,73	1,77	1,70	0,42	3,70	0,64	0,54	22,91	2,50	7,00	9,60	9,22	0,10	1,04	0,5%
2014	DTS	VL1824	3,68	0,59	0,19	0,99	0,80	0,09	2,34	0,31	0,38	13,45	1,18	3,92	4,27	14,25	-0,83	0,30	-6,1%
2014	DTS	VL2440	3,69	0,07	0,27	0,84	0,86	0,04	2,29	0,19	0,25	10,42	1,11	3,62	3,76	29,76	-0,97	0,13	-9,3%
2014	FPO	VL0006	0,13	1,34	0,03	0,04	0,08	0,03	0,02	0,02	0,01	0,49	0,06	0,15	1,47	0,07	1,26	21,54	257,2%
2014	FPO	VL0612	0,67	0,00	0,12	0,22	0,37	0,22	0,18	0,08	0,06	2,93	0,35	0,91	0,67	-0,96	-0,59	-0,70	-20,0%
2014	HOK	VL0006	0,16	1,09	0,02	0,07	0,13	0,11	0,01	0,04	0,01	0,98	0,09	0,29	1,26	0,12	0,87	10,89	89,3%
2014	HOK	VL0612	1,27	1,74	0,20	0,99	0,64	0,37	0,51	0,31	0,21	12,73	1,19	2,04	3,01	3,69	-0,22	0,81	-1,7%
2014	MGO	VL0006	1,93	0,70	0,26	0,17	0,53	0,11	0,00	0,49	0,27	2,28	0,44	1,41	2,63	0,94	0,78	2,61	30,8%
2014	MGO	VL0612	0,91	0,10	0,11	0,20	0,18	0,09	0,12	0,09	0,15	2,30	0,31	0,63	1,01	0,82	0,07	-0,13	-15,0%
2014	PGP	VL0006	0,07	0,00	0,04	0,01	0,04	0,04	0,00	0,01	0,02	0,13	0,06	0,11	0,07	-0,08	-0,10	-0,81	-79,4%
2014	PGP	VL0612	0,13	0,00	0,01	0,04	0,02	0,02	0,04	0,02	0,03	0,52	0,06	0,13	0,13	-5,86	-0,06	-0,02	-10,8%
2014	PMP	VL0006	0,14	0,00	0,13	0,02	0,02	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,02	0,21	0,14	0,05	0,14	0,23	-0,06	0,60	-27,0%
2014	PMP	VL0612	0,45	0,90	0,04	0,22	0,17	0,01	0,13	0,08	0,03	2,78	0,26	0,41	1,35	0,38	0,67	3,53	24,0%
2014	PS	VL0612	0,64	0,02	0,05	0,24	0,17	0,02	0,14	0,12	0,03	3,02	0,29	0,48	0,66	1,04	-0,10	0,64	-3,4%
2014	PS	VL1218	3,23	0,07	0,34	0,69	0,91	0,05	0,63	0,46	0,26	7,81	1,03	2,31	3,30	3,42	-0,04	0,96	-0,5%
2014	PS	VL1824	9,68	0,99	0,98	1,93	3,25	0,01	1,85	0,68	1,33	23,30	2,91	7,12	10,67	8,74	0,64	1,22	2,7%
2014	PS	VL2440	19,42	1,35	2,32	4,62	7,07	0,00	4,18	1,55	2,59	55,28	6,95	15,39	20,77	26,80	-1,56	0,78	-2,8%
2014	Total	Total	62,26	15,68	7,03	16,27	20,10	2,92	19,24	6,47	7,24	204,08	23,30	55,97	77,94	82,67	-1,33	0,92	-0,9%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2015	DFN	VL0006	0,80	0,08	0,17	0,27	0,65	0,40	0,03	0,13	0,13	3,69	0,45	1,33	0,87	-0,85	-0,90	-1,08	-25,2%
2015	DFN	VL0612	4,21	1,18	0,62	1,69	1,39	0,77	0,77	0,88	0,58	23,28	2,31	4,38	5,39	12,34	-1,30	0,44	-5,6%
2015	DFN	VL1218	0,33	0,18	0,05	0,12	0,24	0,03	0,06	0,05	0,10	1,47	0,17	0,48	0,52	2,69	-0,14	0,19	-9,3%
2015	DRB	VL0612	0,89	0,00	0,02	0,10	0,16	0,04	0,19	0,06	0,07	1,36	0,12	0,52	0,89	0,30	0,24	2,97	17,9%
2015	DRB	VL1218	2,15	0,00	0,11	0,24	0,51	0,03	0,47	0,16	0,17	3,03	0,34	1,35	2,15	0,93	0,45	2,30	14,8%
2015	DTS	VL0612	2,72	0,03	0,24	0,77	0,57	0,22	1,02	0,29	0,25	10,72	1,01	2,34	2,74	6,84	-0,60	0,40	-5,6%
2015	DTS	VL1218	6,24	0,65	0,63	1,65	1,51	0,35	2,72	0,90	0,69	22,16	2,28	6,17	6,88	21,96	-1,57	0,31	-7,1%
2015	DTS	VL1824	2,92	0,26	0,21	0,92	0,67	0,14	1,41	0,48	0,17	13,02	1,13	2,86	3,18	11,26	-0,81	0,28	-6,2%
2015	DTS	VL2440	3,51	0,06	0,26	0,84	0,88	0,02	1,80	0,34	0,20	10,95	1,10	3,24	3,58	11,64	-0,76	0,31	-7,0%
2015	FPO	VL0006	0,15	0,00	0,00	0,04	0,12	0,12	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,52	0,04	0,27	0,15	-0,05	-0,16	-3,10	-30,6%
2015	FPO	VL0612	0,76	0,01	0,18	0,21	0,17	0,09	0,12	0,06	0,08	2,87	0,39	0,53	0,76	1,26	-0,16	0,60	-5,4%
2015	HOK	VL0006	0,15	0,00	0,02	0,07	0,28	0,09	0,00	0,04	0,03	0,95	0,09	0,44	0,15	-0,05	-0,37	-3,28	-39,2%
2015	HOK	VL0612	1,23	1,42	0,19	0,79	0,63	0,28	0,33	0,36	0,30	10,63	0,98	1,89	2,66	3,37	-0,21	0,77	-2,1%
2015	MGO	VL0006	2,07	0,00	0,47	0,18	0,69	0,14	0,00	0,13	0,36	2,47	0,65	1,32	2,07	1,79	0,10	1,09	2,3%
2015	MGO	VL0612	1,18	0,29	0,10	0,25	0,26	0,11	0,10	0,15	0,10	3,04	0,35	0,71	1,47	0,68	0,41	0,26	-8,5%
2015	PGP	VL0006	0,03	0,00	0,00	0,03	0,01	0,01	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,40	0,03	0,03	0,03	-0,20	-0,04	-0,14	-9,4%
2015	PGP	VL0612	0,24	0,00	0,03	0,09	0,08	0,08	0,04	0,06	0,08	1,19	0,12	0,33	0,24	-0,34	-0,21	-0,71	-17,4%
2015	PMP	VL0006	0,17	0,00	0,01	0,02	0,04	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,01	0,28	0,03	0,06	0,17	0,05	0,07	3,61	26,7%
2015	PMP	VL0612	0,27	0,00	0,02	0,15	0,26	0,05	0,09	0,04	0,01	1,92	0,17	0,45	0,27	-0,25	-0,36	-1,09	-18,9%
2015	PS	VL0612	0,56	0,09	0,07	0,22	0,24	0,04	0,12	0,19	0,04	2,92	0,29	0,62	0,65	7,43	-0,26	0,09	-9,0%
2015	PS	VL1218	2,83	0,02	0,11	0,61	0,87	0,01	0,41	0,59	1,33	7,02	0,73	3,21	2,85	-5,70	-1,09	-0,50	-15,5%
2015	PS	VL1824	9,42	0,67	0,89	1,85	3,46	0,00	1,28	1,12	1,34	23,12	2,74	7,20	10,09	9,56	0,15	1,06	0,7%
2015	PS	VL2440	18,97	1,61	2,08	4,68	8,41	0,00	3,07	2,72	2,78	58,04	6,76	16,98	20,57	38,67	-3,16	0,53	-5,5%
2015	Total	Total	61,79	6,54	6,49	15,79	22,09	2,97	14,06	8,78	8,82	205,06	22,28	56,72	68,33	131,13	-10,67	0,49	-5,6%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2016	DFN	VL0006	0,68	0,03	0,15	0,26	0,40	0,22	0,08	0,11	0,10	3,69	0,41	0,91	0,72	-1,52	-0,61	-0,47	-16,4%
2016	DFN	VL0612	3,49	1,25	0,91	1,52	1,54	0,59	0,69	0,86	1,01	21,88	2,43	4,68	4,74	221,58	-2,38	0,02	-10,9%
2016	DFN	VL1218	0,19	0,02	0,03	0,09	0,16	0,00	0,05	0,06	0,08	1,15	0,13	0,36	0,21	-0,19	-0,27	-1,10	-23,3%
2016	DRB	VL0612	0,62	0,00	0,02	0,10	0,16	0,00	0,15	0,01	0,01	1,41	0,12	0,33	0,62	0,26	0,16	2,34	11,6%
2016	DRB	VL1218	1,77	0,00	0,09	0,25	0,58	0,06	0,46	0,15	0,26	3,45	0,34	1,51	1,77	2,34	-0,08	0,75	-2,5%
2016	DTS	VL0612	2,74	0,09	0,25	0,73	0,87	0,32	0,95	0,21	0,38	10,77	0,98	2,72	2,83	25,32	-0,87	0,10	-8,2%
2016	DTS	VL1218	5,67	1,01	0,53	1,47	1,57	0,25	2,36	0,59	0,66	20,76	2,00	5,43	6,68	10,64	-0,74	0,63	-3,6%
2016	DTS	VL1824	3,39	0,43	0,19	0,87	0,82	0,07	1,69	0,27	0,38	12,84	1,06	3,25	3,82	7,07	-0,49	0,54	-3,8%
2016	DTS	VL2440	2,55	0,09	0,15	0,61	0,73	0,06	1,21	0,22	0,28	8,19	0,76	2,51	2,64	15,22	-0,63	0,17	-7,7%
2016	FPO	VL0006	0,17	0,12	0,02	0,04	0,05	0,04	0,03	0,02	0,01	0,56	0,06	0,15	0,29	0,12	0,08	2,31	14,4%
2016	FPO	VL0612	0,75	0,17	0,15	0,22	0,24	0,07	0,12	0,14	0,11	3,16	0,38	0,67	0,91	1,43	-0,13	0,64	-4,3%
2016	HOK	VL0006	0,13	0,03	0,04	0,05	0,21	0,20	0,03	0,02	0,00	0,79	0,10	0,46	0,15	-0,05	-0,40	-3,17	-50,9%
2016	HOK	VL0612	2,21	1,83	0,25	0,79	0,69	0,21	0,38	0,41	0,29	11,06	1,04	1,98	4,03	2,04	1,01	1,97	9,1%
2016	MGO	VL0006	2,25	0,80	0,53	0,17	0,78	0,32	0,15	0,21	0,70	2,48	0,70	2,16	3,06	2,40	0,19	1,23	6,4%
2016	MGO	VL0612	0,98	0,92	0,58	0,24	0,16	0,03	0,11	0,10	0,17	2,95	0,82	0,57	1,90	1,17	0,52	0,94	-1,7%
2016	PGP	VL0006	0,06	0,00	0,07	0,85	0,06	0,06	0,01	0,21	0,04	11,14	0,92	0,37	0,06	-0,18	-1,23	-0,34	-11,0%
2016	PGP	VL0612	0,18	0,03	0,02	0,50	0,05	0,05	0,03	0,04	0,02	6,98	0,52	0,19	0,20	6,46	-0,50	0,03	-7,2%
2016	PMP	VL0006	0,13	0,00	0,01	0,02	0,08	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,30	0,03	0,12	0,13	1,20	-0,03	0,00	-10,2%
2016	PMP	VL0612	0,29	0,10	0,05	0,12	0,19	0,02	0,08	0,13	0,05	1,49	0,17	0,47	0,39	-0,87	-0,25	-0,46	-16,6%
2016	PS	VL0612	0,33	0,20	0,04	0,18	0,24	0,03	0,09	0,15	0,07	2,39	0,22	0,58	0,53	-2,65	-0,26	-0,20	-11,0%
2016	PS	VL1218	2,33	0,00	0,16	0,55	1,04	0,02	0,38	0,54	0,24	6,61	0,71	2,21	2,33	14,20	-0,60	0,16	-9,0%
2016	PS	VL1824	8,86	0,44	0,75	1,65	3,62	0,01	1,29	1,00	1,29	21,83	2,40	7,21	9,30	10,67	-0,31	0,87	-1,4%
2016	PS	VL2440	18,95	0,15	1,67	4,42	8,65	0,00	3,06	2,05	1,75	57,46	6,09	15,50	19,10	32,32	-2,49	0,59	-4,3%
2016	Total	Total	58,70	7,72	6,68	15,69	22,88	2,64	13,41	7,50	7,92	213,35	22,37	54,35	66,42	123,06	-10,30	0,51	-5,1%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2017	DFN	VL0006	0,80	0,52	0,28	0,23	0,41	0,25	0,09	0,12	0,12	3,47	0,51	1,00	1,32	2,09	-0,19	0,63	-5,4%
2017	DFN	VL0612	3,71	4,45	0,51	1,43	1,47	0,61	0,82	0,62	0,71	21,95	1,93	4,23	8,16	4,02	1,99	2,02	9,0%
2017	DFN	VL1218	0,29	0,14	0,07	0,10	0,15	0,02	0,07	0,06	0,05	1,41	0,17	0,35	0,42	0,99	-0,10	0,43	-7,0%
2017	DRB	VL0612	0,31	0,00	0,02	0,06	0,08	0,01	0,11	0,01	0,03	0,89	0,08	0,24	0,31	0,36	-0,01	0,87	-1,2%
2017	DRB	VL1218	1,26	0,02	0,12	0,22	0,61	0,07	0,44	0,14	0,14	3,25	0,34	1,39	1,28	-3,84	-0,45	-0,36	-14,2%
2017	DTS	VL0612	2,91	2,22	0,25	0,68	0,78	0,25	1,21	0,31	0,28	10,83	0,94	2,84	5,13	2,09	1,35	2,45	12,5%
2017	DTS	VL1218	5,72	3,09	0,45	1,32	1,63	0,49	2,73	0,49	0,58	20,16	1,77	5,92	8,81	5,39	1,12	1,63	5,6%
2017	DTS	VL1824	3,37	0,29	0,15	0,75	0,80	0,10	1,74	0,10	0,34	11,87	0,90	3,08	3,67	5,66	-0,32	0,65	-2,7%
2017	DTS	VL2440	2,48	0,00	0,11	0,47	0,57	0,09	1,14	0,19	0,28	6,88	0,57	2,26	2,48	6,36	-0,35	0,39	-5,1%
2017	FPO	VL0006	0,14	0,00	0,03	0,03	0,09	0,07	0,03	0,02	0,01	0,50	0,06	0,22	0,14	-0,12	-0,14	-1,17	-27,0%
2017	FPO	VL0612	0,75	0,79	0,15	0,18	0,24	0,11	0,15	0,10	0,18	2,82	0,33	0,78	1,54	0,66	0,44	2,32	15,5%
2017	HOK	VL0006	0,13	1,31	0,01	0,05	0,07	0,05	0,03	0,02	0,05	0,75	0,06	0,22	1,43	0,07	1,16	20,10	152,5%
2017	HOK	VL0612	1,51	5,88	0,19	0,72	0,75	0,23	0,41	0,30	0,54	10,89	0,91	2,22	7,39	1,30	4,26	5,67	39,1%
2017	MGO	VL0006	1,95	3,85	0,33	0,16	0,70	0,17	0,15	0,16	1,35	2,35	0,48	2,54	5,81	0,85	2,79	6,77	117,6%
2017	MGO	VL0612	1,04	0,57	0,09	0,20	0,30	0,04	0,13	0,12	0,15	2,62	0,28	0,73	1,61	0,52	0,59	1,03	0,3%
2017	PGP	VL0006	0,04	0,00	0,03	1,05	0,08	0,08	0,01	0,07	0,02	14,68	1,08	0,26	0,04	-0,18	-1,31	-0,21	-8,9%
2017	PGP	VL0612	0,12	0,00	0,02	0,58	0,08	0,08	0,02	0,03	0,01	8,58	0,60	0,22	0,12	-0,72	-0,70	-0,17	-8,1%
2017	PMP	VL0006	0,06	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,05	0,02	0,01	0,00	0,01	0,21	0,01	0,08	0,06	-0,03	-0,04	-1,75	-18,2%
2017	PMP	VL0612	0,25	0,14	0,03	0,08	0,14	0,03	0,07	0,04	0,04	1,11	0,11	0,31	0,38	0,57	-0,04	0,66	-3,4%
2017	PS	VL0612	0,39	0,30	0,03	0,16	0,21	0,07	0,09	0,10	0,04	2,27	0,19	0,52	0,69	0,72	-0,01	0,96	-0,3%
2017	PS	VL1218	2,44	0,10	0,18	0,45	1,00	0,12	0,39	0,30	0,19	5,64	0,63	2,01	2,54	3,07	-0,11	0,83	-2,0%
2017	PS	VL1824	9,62	0,60	0,45	1,55	3,73	0,07	1,56	0,82	0,93	21,92	2,00	7,10	10,22	6,56	1,12	1,56	5,1%
2017	PS	VL2440	17,67	1,37	1,20	4,29	8,54	0,05	3,41	1,67	1,80	59,71	5,49	15,47	19,04	29,28	-1,92	0,65	-3,2%
2017	Total	Total	56,95	25,64	4,68	14,77	22,45	3,07	14,81	5,79	7,86	214,73	19,46	53,99	82,59	56,19	9,14	1,44	4,0%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2018	DFN	VL0006	0,97	1,11	0,17	0,24	0,40	0,25	0,11	0,14	0,23	3,60	0,41	1,14	2,08	0,91	0,52	2,28	14,5%
2018	DFN	VL0612	4,38	9,37	0,73	1,43	2,01	0,92	1,00	0,69	0,91	22,12	2,15	5,53	13,75	3,60	6,07	3,78	27,0%
2018	DFN	VL1218	0,26	0,36	0,03	0,11	0,23	0,05	0,08	0,03	0,08	1,54	0,14	0,46	0,61	0,59	0,01	1,04	0,4%
2018	DRB	VL0612	0,31	0,03	0,01	0,05	0,08	0,03	0,11	0,01	0,01	0,79	0,07	0,25	0,34	0,25	0,02	0,88	-1,0%
2018	DRB	VL1218	0,68	0,03	0,05	0,13	0,31	0,05	0,27	0,05	0,24	2,00	0,18	0,92	0,71	-0,62	-0,39	-1,15	-19,5%
2018	DTS	VL0612	2,84	0,45	0,26	0,62	0,88	0,36	1,26	0,29	0,34	9,89	0,88	3,13	3,29	18,68	-0,73	0,18	-7,3%
2018	DTS	VL1218	6,37	2,59	0,51	1,20	1,82	0,46	3,33	0,50	0,82	18,49	1,72	6,93	8,96	7,57	0,31	1,18	1,7%
2018	DTS	VL1824	3,75	1,01	0,15	0,69	0,80	0,09	1,91	0,24	0,18	10,95	0,84	3,21	4,76	2,58	0,71	1,85	6,5%
2018	DTS	VL2440	2,40	0,00	0,09	0,34	0,47	0,01	1,19	0,28	0,16	4,98	0,43	2,12	2,40	3,61	-0,14	0,67	-2,9%
2018	FPO	VL0006	0,16	0,00	0,04	0,04	0,07	0,06	0,03	0,02	0,02	0,58	0,08	0,20	0,16	-0,29	-0,12	-0,54	-21,4%
2018	FPO	VL0612	0,81	0,77	0,17	0,18	0,27	0,13	0,17	0,09	0,18	2,75	0,35	0,84	1,58	0,73	0,40	2,16	14,7%
2018	HOK	VL0006	0,17	0,00	0,05	0,06	0,15	0,03	0,03	0,04	0,03	0,92	0,10	0,28	0,17	-0,16	-0,21	-1,05	-23,2%
2018	HOK	VL0612	2,06	2,65	0,25	0,77	1,11	0,36	0,52	0,43	0,66	11,68	1,02	3,09	4,71	2,96	0,61	1,59	5,2%
2018	MGO	VL0006	2,09	5,06	0,20	0,16	0,66	0,26	0,18	0,19	0,32	2,44	0,36	1,61	7,15	0,46	5,18	15,30	210,4%
2018	MGO	VL0612	0,99	0,60	0,12	0,17	0,17	0,07	0,09	0,16	0,34	2,28	0,29	0,83	1,58	0,61	0,46	0,70	-3,8%
2018	PGP	VL0006	0,15	0,00	0,04	1,06	0,22	0,22	0,03	0,10	0,07	14,86	1,10	0,64	0,15	-0,32	-1,59	-0,45	-10,7%
2018	PGP	VL0612	0,12	0,09	0,04	0,58	0,07	0,07	0,02	0,08	0,04	8,69	0,62	0,28	0,21	-1,76	-0,69	-0,12	-8,0%
2018	PMP	VL0006	0,10	0,00	0,01	0,01	0,05	0,04	0,02	0,01	0,01	0,23	0,02	0,13	0,10	-0,06	-0,06	-1,67	-26,0%
2018	PMP	VL0612	0,27	0,00	0,03	0,07	0,13	0,05	0,06	0,03	0,02	0,92	0,10	0,28	0,27	-2,97	-0,11	-0,83	-19,5%
2018	PS	VL0612	0,44	0,47	0,03	0,14	0,18	0,04	0,10	0,07	0,03	2,08	0,17	0,42	0,90	0,32	0,32	2,85	15,2%
2018	PS	VL1218	3,18	0,26	0,12	0,47	1,13	0,11	0,56	0,62	0,27	6,01	0,59	2,70	3,44	2,72	0,16	1,27	2,6%
2018	PS	VL1824	9,87	0,68	0,72	1,42	4,02	0,02	1,57	1,56	0,90	19,87	2,14	8,07	10,55	9,11	0,34	1,16	1,7%
2018	PS	VL2440	19,31	2,20	1,18	3,80	8,85	0,02	3,80	1,70	1,41	53,05	4,98	15,76	21,51	18,66	0,76	1,15	1,4%
2018	Total	Total	61,68	27,72	5,01	13,74	24,09	3,71	16,45	7,32	7,25	200,71	18,75	58,82	89,40	54,82	11,83	1,59	5,5%

Year	Fleet segment		Income from landings	Other income	Non variable costs	Annual depreciation	Crew wage	Unpaid labour	Energy costs	Repair costs	Other variable costs	Depreciated replacement value	Fixed costs	Variable costs	CR	BER	Net profit	CR/BER	RoFTA, %
2019	DFN	VL0006	1,13	1,16	0,18	0,25	0,42	0,26	0,14	0,14	0,24	3,79	0,43	1,21	2,29	0,91	0,66	2,28	14,5%
2019	DFN	VL0612	4,33	9,53	0,74	1,42	2,04	0,93	0,91	0,67	0,92	21,93	2,15	5,48	13,86	3,56	6,23	3,78	27,0%
2019	DFN	VL1218	0,19	0,36	0,03	0,10	0,23	0,05	0,06	0,03	0,08	1,38	0,13	0,44	0,55	0,64	-0,02	1,04	0,4%
2019	DRB	VL0612	0,25	0,03	0,01	0,05	0,08	0,03	0,10	0,01	0,01	0,77	0,06	0,23	0,28	0,35	-0,01	0,88	-1,0%
2019	DRB	VL1218	0,58	0,03	0,04	0,16	0,25	0,04	0,28	0,08	0,19	2,54	0,20	0,83	0,60	-0,54	-0,43	-1,15	-19,5%
2019	DTS	VL0612	2,85	0,43	0,25	0,61	0,85	0,35	1,19	0,26	0,33	9,70	0,86	2,98	3,28	9,40	-0,56	0,18	-7,3%
2019	DTS	VL1218	6,07	2,46	0,49	1,12	1,73	0,43	2,95	0,47	0,78	17,25	1,61	6,37	8,53	6,34	0,56	1,18	1,7%
2019	DTS	VL1824	4,36	1,05	0,16	0,77	0,83	0,09	2,19	0,21	0,18	12,40	0,93	3,51	5,41	2,65	0,97	1,85	6,5%
2019	DTS	VL2440	2,33	0,02	0,09	0,34	0,47	0,01	1,12	0,26	0,16	4,98	0,43	2,01	2,35	3,01	-0,10	0,67	-2,9%
2019	FPO	VL0006	0,15	0,27	0,04	0,03	0,06	0,05	0,03	0,02	0,02	0,52	0,07	0,18	0,42	0,13	0,16	-0,54	-21,4%
2019	FPO	VL0612	0,83	0,82	0,18	0,19	0,29	0,14	0,16	0,10	0,19	2,86	0,37	0,86	1,65	0,76	0,42	2,16	14,7%
2019	HOK	VL0006	0,14	0,37	0,04	0,05	0,13	0,03	0,04	0,03	0,03	0,85	0,10	0,26	0,50	0,20	0,15	-1,05	-23,2%
2019	HOK	VL0612	2,27	2,72	0,26	0,79	1,14	0,37	0,50	0,38	0,67	11,99	1,05	3,07	4,99	2,72	0,87	1,59	5,2%
2019	MGO	VL0006	2,15	5,06	0,20	0,16	0,66	0,26	0,21	0,19	0,32	2,39	0,36	1,64	7,21	0,46	5,21	15,30	210,4%
2019	MGO	VL0612	1,23	0,58	0,12	0,18	0,16	0,07	0,11	0,16	0,32	2,48	0,30	0,82	1,80	0,55	0,68	0,70	-3,8%
2019	PGP	VL0006	0,47	0,00	0,04	1,11	0,23	0,23	0,08	0,09	0,07	15,55	1,15	0,71	0,47	-2,18	-1,39	-0,45	-10,7%
2019	PGP	VL0612	0,29	0,04	0,04	0,63	0,08	0,08	0,03	0,06	0,04	9,39	0,67	0,29	0,33	4,75	-0,62	-0,12	-8,0%
2019	PMP	VL0006	0,07	0,00	0,01	0,01	0,05	0,04	0,02	0,01	0,01	0,22	0,02	0,13	0,07	-0,03	-0,08	-1,67	-26,0%
2019	PMP	VL0612	0,20	0,07	0,01	0,03	0,07	0,02	0,05	0,01	0,01	0,43	0,05	0,17	0,27	0,12	0,06	-0,83	-19,5%
2019	PS	VL0612	0,41	0,48	0,03	0,14	0,19	0,04	0,07	0,07	0,03	2,07	0,17	0,40	0,89	0,31	0,32	2,85	15,2%
2019	PS	VL1218	3,08	0,28	0,13	0,53	1,23	0,12	0,54	0,67	0,30	6,70	0,66	2,86	3,36	4,42	-0,16	1,27	2,6%
2019	PS	VL1824	8,58	0,65	0,69	1,38	3,84	0,02	1,45	1,49	0,95	19,30	2,07	7,74	9,23	12,80	-0,58	1,16	1,7%
2019	PS	VL2440	17,24	2,20	1,18	3,78	8,85	0,02	3,55	1,68	2,07	52,77	4,96	16,17	19,44	29,54	-1,70	1,15	1,4%
2019	Total	Total	59,20	28,60	4,96	13,84	23,87	3,70	15,78	7,07	7,93	202,24	18,80	58,35	87,80	56,05	10,65	1,59	5,5%

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2020	DFN	VL0006	0,94	1,15	0,18	0,25	0,42	0,26	0,11	0,14	0,24	3,74	0,43	1,17	2,09	0,96	0,50	2,17	13,3%
2020	DFN	VL0612	3,88	9,61	0,74	1,41	2,06	0,94	0,77	0,68	0,93	21,86	2,16	5,38	13,49	3,58	5,96	3,76	27,2%
2020	DFN	VL1218	0,24	0,36	0,03	0,12	0,23	0,05	0,08	0,03	0,08	1,61	0,15	0,46	0,60	0,65	-0,01	0,92	-0,8%
2020	DRB	VL0612	0,24	0,02	0,01	0,04	0,05	0,02	0,07	0,01	0,01	0,56	0,05	0,15	0,26	0,11	0,06	2,35	11,3%
2020	DRB	VL1218	0,50	0,02	0,04	0,15	0,23	0,04	0,17	0,07	0,18	2,33	0,18	0,69	0,53	-0,61	-0,34	-0,87	-14,7%
2020	DTS	VL0612	3,14	0,44	0,26	0,61	0,87	0,35	1,02	0,26	0,34	9,81	0,87	2,83	3,57	4,20	-0,13	0,85	-1,3%
2020	DTS	VL1218	6,39	2,53	0,50	1,19	1,78	0,45	2,24	0,48	0,80	18,38	1,70	5,75	8,92	4,77	1,47	1,87	8,0%
2020	DTS	VL1824	3,50	1,05	0,16	0,78	0,83	0,09	1,43	0,21	0,18	12,44	0,93	2,74	4,54	2,36	0,87	1,93	7,0%
2020	DTS	VL2440	1,94	0,02	0,09	0,34	0,47	0,01	0,81	0,26	0,16	4,98	0,43	1,71	1,96	3,32	-0,18	0,59	-3,6%
2020	FPO	VL0006	0,13	0,27	0,04	0,03	0,06	0,05	0,03	0,02	0,02	0,50	0,07	0,18	0,40	0,13	0,15	3,04	29,6%
2020	FPO	VL0612	0,73	0,81	0,18	0,19	0,28	0,13	0,14	0,09	0,19	2,88	0,37	0,84	1,55	0,80	0,34	1,92	11,7%
2020	HOK	VL0006	0,13	0,40	0,05	0,05	0,14	0,03	0,04	0,04	0,03	0,95	0,10	0,28	0,54	0,21	0,16	2,56	16,6%
2020	HOK	VL0612	2,27	2,82	0,27	0,82	1,18	0,39	0,41	0,39	0,70	12,49	1,09	3,07	5,09	2,76	0,92	1,84	7,4%
2020	MGO	VL0006	1,67	5,17	0,20	0,16	0,67	0,26	0,20	0,19	0,33	2,46	0,36	1,66	6,84	0,48	4,81	14,21	195,7%
2020	MGO	VL0612	0,97	0,54	0,11	0,16	0,15	0,06	0,05	0,14	0,30	2,19	0,27	0,71	1,51	0,52	0,53	2,93	24,0%
2020	PGP	VL0006	0,43	0,00	0,04	1,11	0,23	0,23	0,08	0,09	0,07	15,49	1,15	0,71	0,43	-1,77	-1,42	-0,24	-9,2%
2020	PGP	VL0612	0,48	0,04	0,04	0,60	0,08	0,08	0,02	0,06	0,04	9,06	0,64	0,27	0,52	1,34	-0,39	0,39	-4,4%
2020	PMP	VL0006	0,12	0,00	0,01	0,02	0,07	0,05	0,04	0,01	0,01	0,27	0,03	0,18	0,12	-0,05	-0,09	-2,43	-33,0%
2020	PMP	VL0612	0,21	0,12	0,02	0,05	0,11	0,04	0,03	0,02	0,02	0,72	0,07	0,22	0,32	0,23	0,03	1,40	4,2%
2020	PS	VL0612	0,78	0,54	0,03	0,15	0,21	0,04	0,07	0,08	0,03	2,25	0,19	0,43	1,31	0,28	0,70	4,78	31,3%
2020	PS	VL1218	4,54	0,26	0,12	0,50	1,13	0,11	0,46	0,62	0,27	6,50	0,62	2,60	4,80	1,35	1,59	3,56	24,4%
2020	PS	VL1824	9,71	0,62	0,66	1,33	3,65	0,02	1,07	1,42	0,82	18,68	1,99	6,97	10,33	6,12	1,37	1,69	7,3%
2020	PS	VL2440	18,10	2,23	1,20	3,82	8,99	0,02	2,67	1,71	1,43	53,43	5,03	14,82	20,34	18,54	0,49	1,10	0,9%
2020	Total	Total	61,05	29,00	4,97	13,90	23,89	3,75	12,00	7,01	7,17	203,57	18,88	53,81	90,06	46,90	17,37	1,92	8,5%

ANNEX II. List of acronyms

General acronyms

CFP	Common Fisheries Policy
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species
DCF	Data Collection Framework
DG MARE	Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries of the European Commission
EFF	The European Fisheries Fund (2007-2013)
EMFF	European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (2014-2020)
EMFAF	European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (2021-2027)
EFCA	European Fisheries Control Agency
EMSA	European Maritime Safety Agency
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FIS	Fisheries Information System
FR	Fleet Report (=Balance Report)
GFCM	General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean
GSA	Geographical subarea
HRV / HR	Croatia
ICCAT	International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
MED	Mediterranean Sea
MS	EU Member State
STECF	Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries

Fisheries acronyms

DAS	Days at sea
FMC	Fisheries Monitoring Centre
FRA	Fisheries Restricted Area
FS	Fleet Segment
GT	Gross Tonnage
LOA	Length overall
LPUE	Landing Per Unit Effort
LSF	Large-Scale Fleet
SSCF	Small-Scale Coastal Fleet
TAC	Total Allowable Catch
VMS	Vessel Monitoring System

Balance indicators

CR/BER	Current Revenue Against Break-Even Revenue
RoFTA	Return of Fixed Tangible Assets
VUI	Vessel Utilisation Indicator
VUR	Vessel Utilisation Ratio
SHI	Sustainable Harvest Indicator
SAR	Stocks at Risk Indicator

Fishing techniques

DFN	Drift and/or fixed netters
DRB	Dredgers
DTS	Demersal trawlers and/or demersal seiners
FPO	Vessels using pots and/or traps
HOK	Vessels using hooks
MGO	Vessel using other active gears
MGP	Vessels using polyvalent active gears only
PG	Vessels using passive gears only for vessels < 12m
PGO	Vessels using other passive gears
PGP	Vessels using polyvalent passive gears only
PMP	Vessels using active and passive gears
PS	Purse seiners
TM	Pelagic trawlers
TBB	Beam trawlers

Vessel length classes

VL0006	Vessel less than 6 meters in length.
VL0612	Vessel between ≥ 6 meters and <12 meters in length.
VL1218	Vessel between ≥ 12 meters and <18 meters in length.
VL1824	Vessel between ≥ 18 meters and <24 meters in length.
VL2440	Vessel between ≥ 24 meters and <40 meters in length.
VL40XX	Vessel greater than ≥ 40 meters in length.

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