CRUISE SUMMARIES FOR U.S. OBSERVERS ABOARD JAPANESE STERN TRAWLERS
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CRUISE REPORT

Kirishima Maru Tetsuo Ted Shigyo June 2-14, 1969
Vessel Observer Inclusive Dates of Observation

Vessel: Length: 95.11 m Gross tonnage 3,608.35
Type: stern trawler Company Nippon Suisan

Personnel: Captain Kida Vessel Manager none
Inspector none Vessel Complement 90

Operation: Locations of observed fishing (see attached map)

Target species Shipboard products
1. Pacific ocean perch, rockfish frozen fish
2. Sablefish frozen fish
3. Alaska pollock minced meat & fish meal

Total hauls made by vessel during period of observation 88

Number of observed hauls 44

Gear Type of net trawl Head rope length 49.5 m
Ground rope length 59 m Overall net length 77.5 m
Cod end mesh size (stretch measure) 9 cm
Otter board size 2.7 x 4.4 m weight 1814.32 kg

Associated fishing vessels ASQ Maru, Eike Maru

Remarks:

All halibut discarded immediately.
CRUISE REPORT

Daishin Maru No. 12  John Erik Blume   July 9-31, 1969
Vessel   Observer  Inclusive Dates of Observation

Vessel:  Length: 94 m  Gross tonnage 2967.27
Type:  stern trawler  Company  Kokuyo Hogei

Personnel:  Captain  Hiragawa  Vessel Manager  Yoshinaga
Inspector  none  Vessel Complement  86

Operation:  Locations of observed fishing (see attached map)

Target species  Shipboard products
1. Pacific ocean perch, rockfish  frozen
2. Sablefish  frozen
3. 

Total hauls made by vessel during period of observation

Number of observed hauls  76

Gear  Type of net trawl  Head rope length  m
Ground rope length  m  Overall net length  m
Cod end mesh size (stretch measure)  cm
Otter board size  x  m  weight  kg

Associated fishing vessels  Daishin Maru No. 22

Remarks:
Number of total hauls and gear information not taken.

Kodiak: 3 hauls and 8 halibut; none returned viable.

Yakutat: 33 hauls and 164 halibut; less than 1% returned viable.

Southeastern: 35 hauls and 60 halibut; one-quarter returned viable.

Charlotte: 3 hauls and 8 halibut; all discarded immediately.
CRUISE REPORT

Akebono Maru No. 11  Joji Kappes  August 2-23, 1969
Vessel  Observer  Inclusive Dates of Observation

Vessel: Length: 52.5 m  Gross tonnage 499.10
Type: stern trawler  Company Nichiro

Personnel: Captain Tosuke Takaoka  Vessel Manager none
Inspector none  Vessel Complement 36

Operation: Locations of observed fishing (see attached map)

Target species
1. Pacific ocean perch  frozen
2. Sablefish  frozen
3. 

Shipboard products

Total hauls made by vessel during period of observation 143
Number of observed hauls 62

Gear  Type of net 2 ply trawl  Head rope length 56.8 m
Ground rope length 68.7 m  Overall net length 70 m
Cod end mesh size (stretch measure) 9 cm
Otter board size 2 x 3.8 m  weight 2,000 kg

Associated fishing vessels Akebono Maru Nos. 12, 15, 17, 20, 71; Shunyo
Maru No. 18, Daian Maru No. 118, Yoho Maru, Kizan Maru

Remarks:
All halibut discarded immediately.
Akebono Maru No. 11: Number of Observed Hauls August 2-23, 1969.