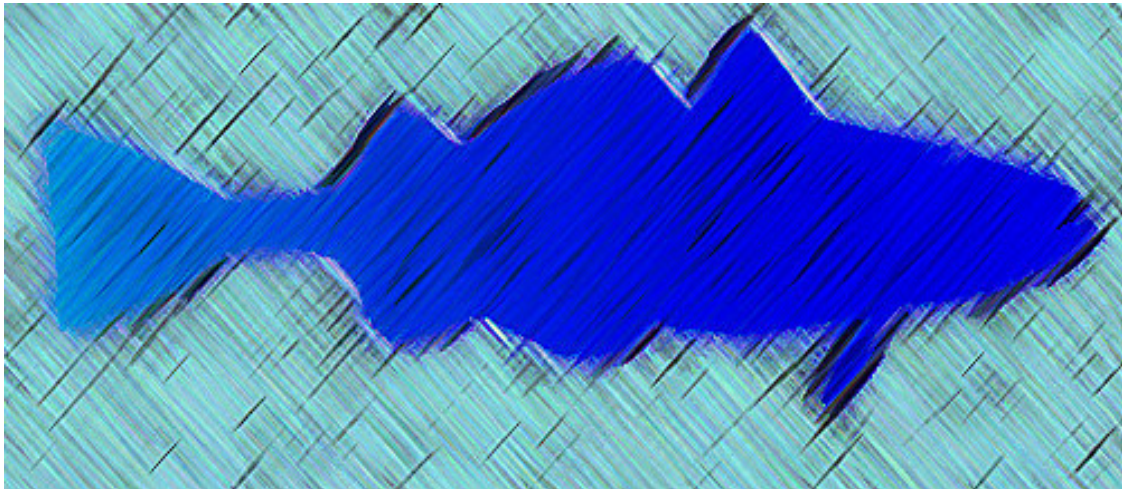


# BCLME COMMERCIAL FISHERIES RIGHTS HOLDER AND VESSEL ANALYSIS

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There are a number of commercial, industrial-scale fisheries in the BCLME region. Some of the fish stocks being exploited are shared, not only across fisheries but across countries as well. This report examines the following fisheries:

- South Africa
  - Hake offshore demersal trawl
  - Hake inshore demersal trawl
  - Hake long-line
  - Small pelagic purse seine
  - Horse mackerel mid-water trawl
  - West coast rock lobster offshore traps
  - Large pelagic longline
  - Tuna pole & line
- Namibia
  - Hake demersal trawl & Long-line
  - Monk & sole demersal trawl
  - Deep-sea trawl
  - Small pelagic purse seine
  - Horse mackerel mid-water trawl
  - West coast rock lobster traps & hoop nets
  - Large pelagic longline and pole & line
  - Deep-sea red crab traps
- Angola
  - Hake demersal trawl
  - Small pelagic purse seine
  - Small pelagic mid-water trawl
  - Offshore prawn trawl
  - Inshore prawn trawl
  - Deep-sea red crab traps
  - Large pelagic longline, tunny boat and pole & line

At least 1057 rights holders were granted access to these fisheries by the three countries, which in turn required the services of some 1351 vessels, to catch in excess of 1.305 million tons of fish and crustaceans during the 2003 – 2004 season.

The report contains a brief history and explanation of each fishery in each country, which is followed by a description of all of the rights holders and vessels partaking in the fishery during the 2003 – 2004 fishing season. Although some analysis is presented in the report, it is primarily descriptive in nature, as a companion document to the report *BCLME/SE/03/03: A Micro-economic Systems Analysis of the BCLME Commercial Fisheries*. Nevertheless, all data collected on the rights holders and vessels during the 2003 – 2004 season has been collated into a MS Access database, for further analysis by interested parties. The database is available from the BCLME Projects Office in Swakopmund.

The report concludes with an observation on the need for a regional fisheries socio-economic database, and the potential role of the Interim Benguela Current Commission in developing one.

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## 1. GENERAL INTRODUCTION

The following report is part of a greater project looking at the rights-based microeconomic systems and the means of governance of the important commercial fisheries in the three BCLME countries viz. South Africa, Namibia and Angola. It is a snapshot of the 2003 – 2004 fishing season, and describes the participants and vessels active in the commercial fisheries of the Benguela Large Marine Ecosystem at the time. The aim of the report is to provide a brief description of each fishery, details on the quota allocated and the rights holders in each fishery, and a description of the vessels that were active in each of the commercial scale fisheries.

At the start of the study a rights holder survey was designed with the intention of submitting a comprehensive questionnaire to all of the relevant rights holders and vessel owners in the region. This was to ensure that comparative data would be collected in the same manner across all three countries. A database developed from the survey would provide the basis of the study. The survey information would in turn be supported by data gathered from the databases of the various institutions responsible for managing the fisheries in each country, and from other relevant information sources.

However, during the implementation of the Angolan phase of the project, data collection via the rights holder survey turned out to be impossible, both from a practical and regulatory point of view. Eventually it was agreed with the Angolan Minister of Fisheries that fisheries information would only be supplied to the project through the Institute for Fisheries Research (INIP). The information was provided in a prescribed, more generalised format to that collected for South Africa and Namibia, and therefore the Angolan section has been set out somewhat differently to the sections on South Africa and Namibia. The data sources for each country are presented below:

- **South Africa**

- A rights holder survey carried out specifically for the BCLME project in 2004;
- The Economic & Transformation Census of selected commercial fisheries, carried out on behalf of Marine & Coastal Management (MCM) prior to the long-term allocation of fishing rights (ETC 2004);
- The Fisheries Information System Database of all the medium-term rights holders in the South African Fishing Industry (FIS 2002);
- The Economic and Sectoral Study of the South African Fishing Industry, carried out prior to the allocation of medium term fishing rights (ESS 2000);
- The Fishing Industry Handbook, G. Warman Publications, Cape Town (various editions)
- As well as information supplied by MCM on request.

- **Namibia**

- A rights holder survey carried out specifically for the BCLME project in 2004;
- Namibian Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources (MFMR) fisheries database;
- Namibia Fishing Industry Online database ([www.nfi.com.na](http://www.nfi.com.na));

- Fishing Industry Handbook, G. Warman Publications, Cape Town (various editions)
- As well as information supplied by MFMR on request.

- **Angola**

- Data collected from the Central Fisheries Database, and collated by the Institute of Fisheries Research (INIP)

Although some analysis is presented, the following report is primarily descriptive in nature. For further analysis by interested parties, all data used in this report has been submitted to the BCLME Projects Office in Swakopmund, Namibia in the form of a MS ACCESS database (*BCLME COMMERCIAL FISHERIES DATABASE V1.5*). The database is available on request.

## 2. SOUTH AFRICA

### 2.1 Introduction

Although the South African fishing industry is made up of some 20 fisheries, only those that target marine resources from the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem will be discussed in this report. The species targeted include the demersal Cape hakes (*Merluccius capensis* and *M. paradoxus*), the small pelagic species (pilchards and anchovy), large pelagic species such as the tunas (*Thunnus alalunga* and others) and swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*), the mid-water horse mackerel (*Trachurus trachurus capensis*) and the west coast rock lobster (*Jasus lalandii*).

All information used in the following analysis relates to the last full fishing season completed in 2004, unless otherwise stated. Depending on the fishery, the seasons were completed at the end of 2003, or before mid-2004.

### 2.2 The Hake fisheries

Two species of hake are caught in South African waters: deepwater hake, *Merluccius paradoxus* and shallow water hake, *M. capensis*. A wide range of economically important by-catch species are also caught, including the Agulhas sole (*Austroglossus pectoralis*) monkfish (*Lophius vomerinus*), kingklip (*Genypterus capensis*) and snoek (*Thysites atun*).

A Total Allowable Catch (TAC) limitation for South African hake was first introduced in 1978, and was set at 140,000 tons. Since then, the TAC has remained relatively stable, gradually increasing to about 160,000 tons by 2003. A global TAC for hake is set annually, which is then apportioned between the offshore demersal trawl ( $\pm 85\%$  of the total amount), inshore demersal trawl and long-line fisheries (approximately 6% each); with an amount of about 5500 tons set aside for the effort-controlled (TAE) hake hand-line fishery (not included in this analysis).

#### 2.2.1 Offshore demersal trawl

The offshore and inshore hake trawl fisheries share a common history. Several companies are operational in both sectors in terms of fishing, processing and marketing of product. The feasibility of hake trawling off the South African coast was first investigated in 1890. Entrepreneurs G.D. Irvin and C.O. Johnson pioneered this fishery, setting up the first modern, industrial-scale fishing operation in South Africa in the process. The history of trawling, processing, distribution and marketing of fish in South Africa up until 1960 is inexorably linked to Irvin & Johnson's fishing company.

By the 1960's demersal trawling had become the most economically important fishery in South Africa. Until the late 1970's the fishery operated on open access principles, with estimated catches by local and foreign vessels soaring to over one million tons. South Africa declared its Economic Exclusion Zone (EEZ) in 1977, expelled the foreign vessels, and embarked on a conservative stock rebuilding strategy. Individual quotas were allocated in 1979 for the first time, to six fishing companies. In 1985, the government introduced a policy to increase access to this lucrative fishery, and the number of participants was increased to 21 by 1992. The period from 1992 to 2000 saw immense changes in the industry, brought about mainly by the development of the new fisheries policy that ultimately culminated in the promulgation of the Marine Living Resources Act (Act 18 of 1998). There was a substantial loss of quota by the established trawling companies to a number of new entrants from previously disadvantaged communities. During this period, the number of participants in the deep-sea sector increased significantly, peaking at 56 quota holders in 2000. Medium-term



(four-year) rights were allocated in 2002, to 53 rights holders. At the time of writing (2005), these rights are still active. However, they will fall away in 2006. The Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism has recently called for applications to be made for long-term (15-year) rights to the fishery, which will be awarded in 2006.

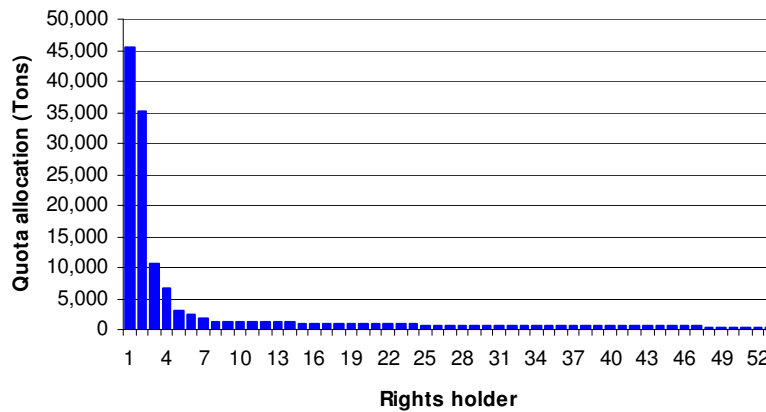
### 2.2.1.1 Rights holders

The medium term rights holders in the offshore demersal hake fishery and their quota allocations for the 2003 season are listed in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1.** Medium term rights holders in the South African offshore demersal trawl fishery, and their hake quota allocation for 2003.

Rights Holder	2003 Allocation (Tons)	Rights Holder	2003 Allocation (Tons)
Irvin & Johnson Limited	45,431	Mayibuye Fishing (Pty) Ltd	710
Sea Harvest Corporation (Pty) Ltd	35,159	DMA Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd	693
Atlantic & Pioneer Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10,665	Noordkaap Visserman Onderneming CC	693
Food Corp (Pty) Ltd	6,522	Snoek Wholesalers Fishing (Pty) Ltd	654
Viking Fishing Co (Deep Sea) (Pty) Ltd	3,064	Pellsrus Historical Fishing Corporation CC	642
Fernpar Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd	2,478	Azanian Fishing (Pty) Ltd	634
New South Africa Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd	1,710	Unomkala Fishing (Pty) Ltd	628
Trachurus Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1,330	Community Workers Fishing Enterprise (Pty) Ltd	625
Siyaloba Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd	1,242	Bayview Fishing (Pty) Ltd	617
Surmon Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1,191	AJF Eigelaar & Seuns (Pty) Ltd	611
Sistro Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	1,173	Impala Fishing (Pty) Ltd	523
Ziyabuya Fishing Eastern Cape (Pty) Ltd	1,115	Bhana Coastal Fishing CC	514
Hangberg Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd	1092	Khoi-Qwa Fishing Development (Pty) Ltd	514
Phambili Fisheries (Pty) Ltd	1,083	Hoxies (Pty) Ltd	497
Gambera Cape (Pty) Ltd	952	Algoa Bay Sea Products	491
SACO Fishing (Pty) Ltd	923	Dyer Eiland Visserye (Pty) Ltd	480
Calamari Fishing (Pty) Ltd	899	Tradeforth 13 (Pty) Ltd	463
Premier Fishing Sa (Pty) Ltd	867	Visko Sea Products (Pty) Ltd	463
Bato Star Fishing (Pty) Ltd	856	ZWM Fishing (Pty) Ltd	463
Ntshonalanga Fishing (Pty) Ltd	831	Walters, E.F.H.	456
Quayside Fish Suppliers (Cape) (Pty) Ltd	781	J Engelbrecht Visserye CC	412
Offshore Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	780	Rainbow Nation Fishing (Pty) Ltd	412
Blue Continent Products (Pty) Ltd	772	J & J Visserye CC	395
Selecta Sea Products (Pty) Ltd	772	Anglo Mar Fishing Rights Company	369
Combined Fishing Enterprises CC	744	Siya Phambili Fishing Pty Ltd	345
Laingville Fisheries (Pty) Ltd	735	Usuthu Fishing CC	336
Radaco Sea Products (Pty) Ltd	719	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>137,526</b>

The lion's share of the medium term rights allocation (73%) went to five of the six historic companies in this fishery (one of the companies having withdrawn from the industry), even though a substantial amount of the quota was redistributed to new entrants to the industry (Figure 2.1). Of the rest, nine companies received quota of more than 1000 tonnes for the year, while the bulk (49%) of the fishing companies received between 500 – 1000 tonnes. About 25% of the rights holders received less than 500 tons of hake for 2003.



**Figure 2.1.** Hake quota allocations in the South African offshore demersal trawl fishery in 2003.

All rights holders in the offshore demersal fishery were South African fishing companies. Most (77%) were based in the Western Cape Province, but some rights were granted to companies from the Eastern Cape (21%) and one company in the Northern Cape Province. About 21% of the companies were very large, with annual turnovers exceeding R100 million. Approximately the same amount of companies were classed as large, turning over between R10 – R100 million, 39% turn over R1 – 10 million per annum, and the rest ( $\pm 20\%$ ) were small, having annual turnovers of less than R1 million.

The offshore demersal trawl fishing companies employed approximately 16,400 fisheries related workers. The five large historic demersal trawl companies employed 81% of these workers; 21% of the of the companies employed more than 100 workers, 14% employed between 50 – 100 people, and 41% employed 10 – 50 people. Surprisingly for this type of fishing operation, 15% of the rights holding companies reported less than 10 employees.

**2.2.1.2 Vessels**

By definition, the offshore demersal fishing vessels may only trawl over fishing grounds deeper than 110 m. Therefore, the vessels used in this fishery are for the most part relatively large, powerful, ocean-going stern trawlers. The fleet can be divided into two broad categories, “fresher” or wetfish trawlers, which pack and store the freshly caught fish on ice, and factory or freezer vessels, which can process the fish at sea, and store the frozen product. Twenty-three freezer vessels were reported fishing in the offshore demersal fishery in 2003, compared to 54 wetfish trawlers. An additional four “combination” vessels (which have both ice and freezer facilities) brought the total number of trawlers operating in the demersal fishery at the time of the survey to 81 (Table 2.2).

**Table 2.2.** The offshore demersal trawl fishing fleet in 2003.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Type	Rights fished	Owners
ARMANA	RSA	42	390	783	1962	20	FREEZER	1	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD
BEATRICE MARINE	RSA	54	1343	1330	1988	46	FREEZER	2	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
BENGUELLA VIKING	RSA	52	300	746	1960	20	FREEZER	1	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD
BORONIA	RSA	57	1923	2460	1992	66	FREEZER	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
COMPASS CHALLENGER	RSA	57	841	1320	1983	50	FREEZER	6	COMPASS TRAWLING (PTY) LTD

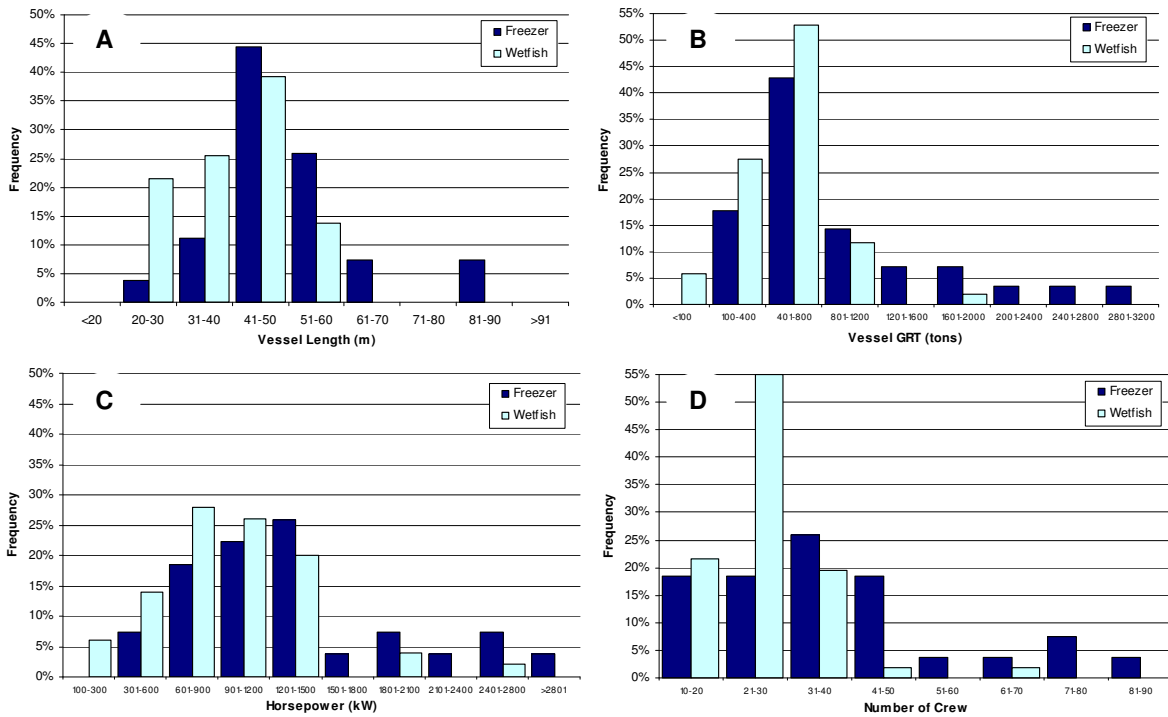
Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Type	Rights fished	Owners
EMILE ADRIEN	RSA	45	569	1230	1966	34	FREEZER	2	MFV EMILE ADRIEN VESSEL CO (PTY) LTD
FREESIA	RSA	41	768	1860	1999	28	FREEZER	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
FUCHSIA	RSA	41	768	1860	1999	28	FREEZER	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
IRIS	RSA	63	1532	1343	1988	54	FREEZER	2	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
ISABELLA MARINE	RSA	36	496	1000	1991	29	FREEZER	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
LEPANTO	RSA	36	270	582	1961	19	FREEZER	2	SELECTA SEA PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD
LINCOLN	RSA	43	414	0	1961	23	FREEZER	2	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD
LUCERNE	RSA	41	324	710	1962	18	FREEZER	1	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD
MARIE CLAIRE	RSA	46	500	1560	1971	42	FREEZER	4	MFV MARIE CLAIRE VESSEL COMPANY
MILLENIUM	RSA	48	676	810	1998	39	FREEZER	2	SNOEK WHOLESALERS FISHING (PTY) LTD
MONIE MARINE	RSA	49	606	1104	1967	33	FREEZER	1	NEW SOUTH AFRICA FISHING ENTERPRISES
OCEAN VICTORY TWO	RSA	82	2246	2200	1974	85	FREEZER	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
PROTEA	RSA	56	806	1343	1970	40	FREEZER	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
REALEKA	RSA	33	497	927	1989	30	FREEZER	2	BLUE CONTINENT PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD
ROXANA BANK	RSA	90	2899	2685	1968	75	FREEZER	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
SISTRO	RSA	43	526	736	1977	38	FREEZER	2	SISTRO FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
VERA MARINE	RSA	49	606	1193	1967	34	FREEZER	1	GAMBERA CAPE (PTY) LTD
HARVEST LINDIWE	RSA	60.7	2504	3375	1988	76	FREEZER	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
AFRICAN QUEEN	RSA	37	301	746	1974	20	WETFISH	3	BAYKING FISHING (PTY) LTD
ALOE	RSA	56	811	1343	1972	30	WETFISH	3	IGAGASI FISHING (PTY) LTD
AMSTELDIEP	RSA	27	168	520	1969	12	WETFISH	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
ANEMONE	RSA	56	801.99	1309	1971	19	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
ARCTIC	RSA	40	614	1343	1978	36	WETFISH	2	EYETHU FISHING (PTY) LTD
ARUM	RSA	44	752	1119	1985	36	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
AUGUSTA ONE	RSA	29.7	127	900	1977	26	WETFISH	1	MFV AUGUSTA I VESSEL CO (PTY) LTD
AZALEA	RSA	56	801	1343	1971	31	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
BASANI	RSA	35	494	820	1999	35	WETFISH	3	ZWM FISHING (PTY) LTD
BLUEBELL	RSA	57	1917	2460	1989	62	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
CAPE MACLEAR	RSA	22	73	275	1964	12	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
CAROLINE	RSA	41	313	745	1965	22	WETFISH	1	GAMBERA CAPE (PTY) LTD
CHRISTELLE	RSA	20	90	400	1999	12	WETFISH	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
COBELO	RSA	28	245	552	1978	20	WETFISH	1	ALGOA FISHING (PTY) LTD
CODESA ONE	RSA	33	415	736	1987	31	WETFISH	2	XHANTILOMZI FISHING (PTY) LTD
CRASSULA	RSA	56	811	1343	1971	40	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
DONNA MARIA LIGIA	RSA	39	293	900	1965	28	WETFISH	2	MFV DONNA MARIA LIGIA VESSEL COMPANY
EBHAYI	RSA	36	355	-	1979	24	WETFISH	2	CALAMARI FISHING (PTY) LTD
ESRA CRUZ	RSA	21	77	284	1964	10	WETFISH	1	NOORDKAAP VISSERMAN ONDERNEMING BPK
EXEL	RSA	30	221	588	1966	20	WETFISH	1	COMBINED FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
FOREST LILY	RSA	41	722	1950	2002	29	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
FOXGLOVE	RSA	41	722	1950	2002	29	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
GODETIA	RSA	56	801	1343	1972	40	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
GULLIVER	RSA	37	432	1006	1968	23	WETFISH	2	LUZIZI FISHING (PTY) LTD
HARVEST BELINDA	RSA	42	453	954	1975	23	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST BETTINA	RSA	41	586	1285	1976	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST DIANA	RSA	42	453	954	1975	23	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST FLORITA	RSA	43	453	954	1975	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST GARDENIA	RSA	38	526	866	1986	23	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Type	Rights fished	Owners
HARVEST GAVINA	RSA	38	524	866	1985	24	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST GEORGINA	RSA	38	525	866	1985	23	WETFISH	2	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST KIRSTINA	RSA	41.38	586	1119	1974	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST MARINA	RSA	41	586	954	1973	25	WETFISH	2	AJF EIGELAAR & SEUNS EDMS BPK
HARVEST RAMONA	RSA	46	586	954	1975	23	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST SELINA	RSA	35	544	976	1986	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST TAMARA	RSA	41	586	954	1975	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST VERONICA	RSA	35	544	976	1966	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
HARVEST ZULA	RSA	41.38	586	1454	1975	25	WETFISH	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD
IMMANUEL	RSA	27	115	520	1968	12	WETFISH	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
LARKSPUR	RSA	44	752	119	1985	36	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
LEE ANNE	RSA	42	381	786	1961	22	WETFISH	2	SIYALOBA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
LEEUKOP	RSA	-	-	-	-	-	WETFISH	1	PORT NOLLOTH JOINT VENTURE FISHING COMPANY
LEZANDI	RSA	20	154	370	2003	15	WETFISH	1	ANGLO MAR FISHING RIGHTS COMPANY
MARPRO	RSA	-	-	-	-	-	WETFISH	1	MARPRO
MARRETJIE	RSA	36	330	1480	1980	24	WETFISH	2	EYETHU FISHING (PTY) LTD
NERINE	RSA	44	752	1119	1985	36	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
SVEINN JONSSON	RSA	42	576	1100	1973	22	WETFISH	2	SENTRAWL (PTY) LTD
TORALLA	RSA	48	684	900	1973	41	WETFISH	1	TORALLA VESSEL CO (PTY) LTD
UKHOZI	RSA	28	302	625	1980	29	WETFISH	2	PROTEA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
VERBENA	RSA	53	811	1343	1972	40	WETFISH	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
VUNA ELITA	RSA	-	-	-	-	-	WETFISH	1	VUNA FISHING CO (PTY) LTD
VUNA SHAMROCK	RSA	45	439	800	1965	24	WETFISH	1	VUNA FISHING CO (PTY) LTD
ZUIDERZEE	RSA	29	193	560	1974	15	WETFISH	2	EYETHU FISHING (PTY) LTD
LOBELIA	RSA	56	1051	1343	1970	50	COMBINED	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
MARIA MARINE	RSA	46	658	1196	1971	38	COMBINED	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
PORTUNITY	RSA	22	166	537	2001	16	COMBINED	1	NOORDKAAP VISSERMAN ONDERNEMING BPK
STEVIA	RSA	56	801	1343	1973	50	COMBINED	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED

The characteristics of the fleet are summarised in Table 2.3. On average, the freezer vessels appear to be larger and more powerful than the wetfish trawlers, but the variation in size and power of the vessels within these two groups is substantial, making it virtually impossible to categorize the vessels based on these attributes alone (Figure 2.2).

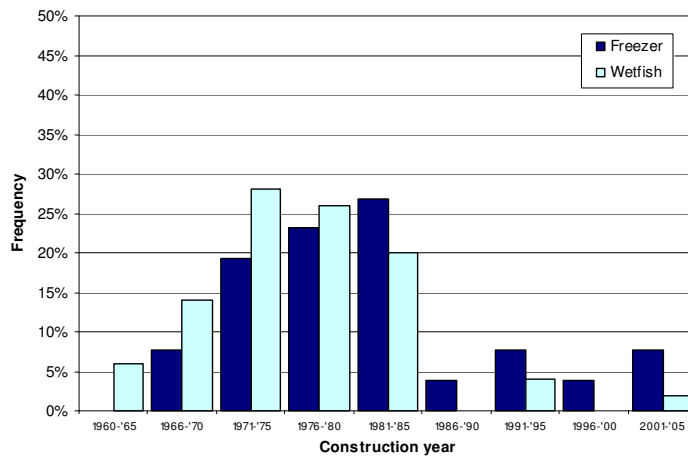
**Table 2.3.** Comparisons of some mean characteristics for freezer vessels and wetfish trawlers in the South African offshore demersal trawl fleet.

Characteristic	Total Fleet	Freezer vessels	Wetfish vessels
Length (m ± Std Dev)	42.9 ± 12.3	49.8 ± 14.0	39.2 ± 9.6
GRT (tons ± SD)	647.6 ± 519.6	906.7 ± 713.6	507.7 ± 302.6
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	1097.4 ± 578.5	1317.6 ± 724.2	976.1 ± 443.3
Crew (± SD)	30.9 ± 14.8	40.0 ± 18.6	26.0 ± 9.3
Construction Year (± SD)	1977.4 ± 11.6	1977.6 ± 13.6	1977.3 ± 10.5



**Figure 2.2.** The offshore demersal trawl wetfish and freezer fishing fleets, summarised by A: length, B: Gross Registered Tonnage, C: Horsepower and D: number of crew.

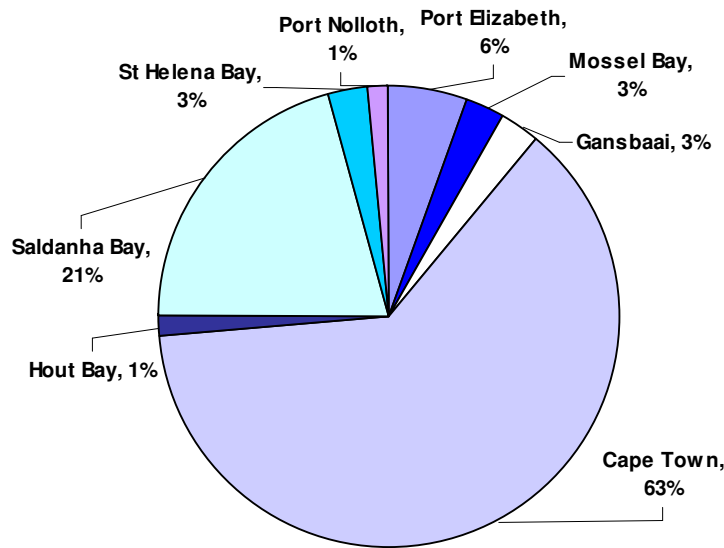
The freezer vessels carry larger crews, to service their factory facilities. The average age of both groups of vessels was almost identical at 28 years; the average year of construction for the whole fleet was 1977. The oldest vessel was constructed in 1960 and the most recent in 2003. Less than 14% of the vessels in the fleet have been constructed in the last 20 years (Figure 2.3).



**Figure 2.3.** The age of the South African offshore demersal trawl fleet.

Approximately half the fishing companies in the fishery did not have direct ownership of a vessel in the offshore demersal trawl fleet; however most had some form of investment in a vessel operating company. In terms of the number of rights fished per vessel, the majority of the vessels (69%) fished for one company only, and 25% fished for two companies. Five vessels fished for between 3 - 6 rights holders. The vessel that fished for six rights holders is an example of investment in the industry by small quota holders through collaboration. Four rights-holder companies own the vessel, with quota ranging from 500 – 1,000 tons apiece, through shareholding in a vessel operating company.

Most ( $\pm 90\%$ ) of the offshore demersal trawl catch was landed in the Western Cape, with some vessels operating out of Port Elizabeth and Mossel Bay in the Eastern Cape (9%) and one vessel operating in Port Nolloth (Northern Cape Province, see Figure 2.4).



**Figure 2.4.** Ports and fishing harbours from which the South African offshore demersal trawl fleet operate.

### 2.2.2 Inshore demersal trawl

As with the offshore fishery, the inshore demersal trawl fishery was pioneered by Irvin & Johnson, using a few trawlers operating out of East London, Port Elizabeth and Mossel Bay. The inshore fishery is restricted to the area between Cape Agulhas ( $20^{\circ}$  E) in the west and the Great Kei River in the east, extending seawards to a depth of 110 m. Strictly speaking, the inshore demersal trawl fishery is based on the south coast of South Africa, just outside of the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem. However, as the fishery exploits a significant proportion of hake TAC in South Africa, it has been included here. The fishery also targets the Agulhas sole *Austroglossus pectoralis*.

In the 1950's some smaller, privately owned trawlers joined the fishery, primarily targeting the sole stocks. By the 1970s, the inshore trawl fleet had increased to around 60 vessels, and had spread along the south coast to include the fishing harbours of Hermanus and Gansbaai. The introduction of the global hake TAC in 1978 and a sole TAC in the same year had a strong effect on the companies in the inshore fishery. Too many participants were competing for inshore fish resources that had been limited to 7000 tons for hake (6% of the global hake

TAC) and 700 tons for sole in 1979. This resulted in more than a decade of effort rationalization and quota amalgamation. In 1982, 23 companies were active in the fishery, operating 54 boats. Ten years later, only 11 companies were left, operating a fleet of 33 trawlers. In 2000, two new entrants were granted access to the inshore fishery, although the number of active vessels had decreased to 32. With the advent of medium term rights, the number of rights holders in the fishery was limited to 16, operating a permissible maximum of 35 vessels.

### 2.2.2.1 Rights holders

The medium term rights holders in the inshore demersal hake fishery and their quota allocations for the 2003 season are listed in Table 2.4.

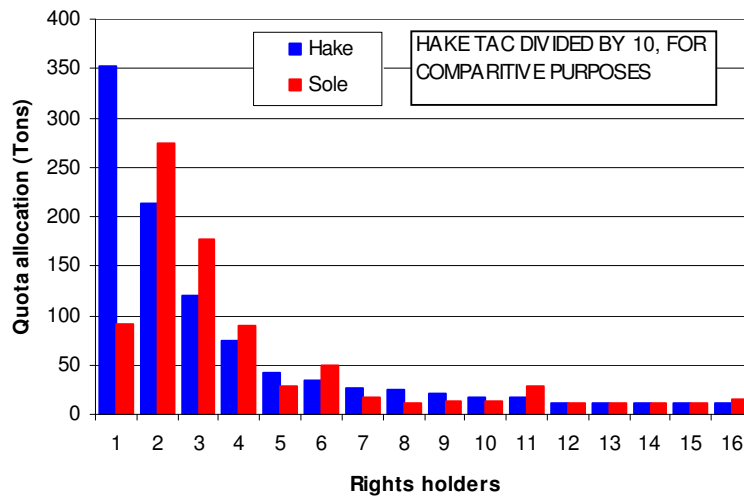
**Table 2.4.** Medium term rights holders in the South African inshore demersal trawl fishery, and their hake and sole quota allocation for 2003.

Company	Hake Allocation for 2003 (tons)	Sole Allocation for 2003 (tons)
IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED	3,532	91
SEA-VUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	2,126	274
VIKING INSHORE FISHING (PTY) LTD	1,202	177
HERMANUS SEA FOOD (PTY) LTD	748	89
G&T FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	410	28
CRONJE PJ	336	49
BMC VISSERYE CC	260	18
CHETTY'S FISHERIES CC	251	11
VECTO TRADE 126 (PTY) LTD	204	13
CAPENIS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	180	14
CRONJE MA	168	28
DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD	120	11
EZABANTU FISHING CC	120	11
NKUNGA FISHING CORPORATION (PTY) LTD	120	11
UMOYA FISH PROCESSORS (PTY) LTD	120	11
OOSTHUIZEN BD	113	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,010</b>	<b>851</b>

Most of the resource allocation (hake = 70%, sole = 64%) went to the three largest companies operating in this fishery in 2003. One of the historic operators dropped out of the fishery in 2001. The four new entrants granted access to the fishery through the medium term rights allocation process received a combined amount of about 5% of the total quota available for both the hake and sole resource.

It is important to note that the percentage of the hake quota allocated to a company did not necessarily have bearing on the amount of sole allocated; for example, Irvin & Johnston Limited received the largest hake quota, but only the fourth largest portion of the sole quota. This relationship depended, in part, on which species was traditionally targeted by the rights holder in the past.





**Figure 2.5.** Hake and sole quota allocations in the South African inshore demersal trawl fishery in 2003. Hake quota was divided by 10 for comparison with sole quota.

Unlike the offshore demersal trawl fishery, where all the rights are owned by fishing companies, some ( $\pm 19\%$ ) of the rights holders in the inshore fishery were individuals. About 31% of the rights holding companies could be classified as very large to large, with annual turnovers exceeding R10 million. About 44% of the operations were medium scale entities (R1 – 10 million), and the rest were small (a turnover of less than R1 million per annum). Excluding the employees from Irvin & Johnston, whose numbers were included in the offshore demersal fishery, the inshore fishery employed a further 1,160 workers. Thirty-one percent of the companies employed more than 100 workers, one company employed between 50 – 100 workers, and 53% of the rights holders employed less than 51 people. Most (66%) of the employment in the fishery was located at operations in the Western Cape Province (mainly Mossel Bay), but some employment occurred in the Eastern Cape Province (34%).

### 2.2.2.2 Vessels

The vessels operating in the inshore demersal fishery are wetfish trawlers. On average, they are smaller than those active in the offshore fishery (Table 2.5). Permit conditions limit the size of the vessels operating in this fishery to a maximum length of 30 m, with a maximum power limit of 750 kW. The size of the fleet is limited to 35 vessels, as part of the management strategy for the fishery by Marine & Coastal Management. However, only twenty-eight vessels were reported active in the fishery in 2003, according to a census carried out in 2004 (ETC'2004).

**Table 2.5.** The inshore demersal trawl fishing fleet in 2003.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
AMSTELDIEP	RSA	27	168	520	1969	12	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
BALUGURU	RSA	19	76	272	1990	12	1	CAPENSIS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD
BUCCANEER	RSA	22	87	360	1969	12	1	GANSBAAI FISHING WHOLESALERS
CAPE CROSS	RSA	22	78	0	1963	12	2	BMC VISSERYE CC
CAPE FRIO	RSA	22	73	298	1964	12	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED



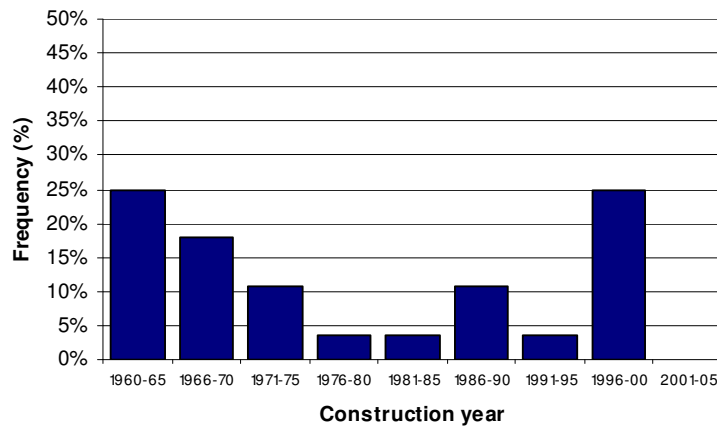
Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
CAPE MACLEAR	RSA	22	73	275	1964	12	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
CAPE SEAL	RSA	22	74	300	1960	12	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
CAPE VIDAL	RSA	22	73	300	1964	12	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
CHRISTELLE	RSA	20	90	400	1999	12	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
DONNA MARIA	RSA	39	293	900	1965	28	1	MFV DONNA MARIA LIGIA VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
GURUSAM	RSA	16	44	0	1985	12	1	CHETTY'S FISHERIES CC
IMMANUEL	RSA	27	115	520	1968	12	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
LADY IMELDA	RSA	15	45	186	1996	8	1	VIKING INSHORE FISHING (PTY) LTD
LEONORA	RSA	15	49	186	1998	8	1	VIKING INSHORE FISHING (PTY) LTD
LINDIWE	RSA	15	47	221	2000	8	1	VIKING INSHORE FISHING (PTY) LTD
LINDSAY	RSA	31	174	670	1973	21	1	VIKING INSHORE FISHING (PTY) LTD
LOCQUERAN	RSA	21	106	441	1975	11	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
LORELEI	RSA	21	81	300	1989	10	1	MFV LORELEI VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
MANDI	RSA	12	125	140	1996	6	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
MARY ANN	RSA	14	24	142	1994	8	1	CRONJE PJ
MARY JO	RSA	14	24	142	1996	8	1	CRONJE PJ
NAMUTONI	RSA	21	81	276	1966	10	2	CRONJE MA
ROCHELLE	RSA	12	125	220	1996	6	1	SEAVUNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
SANTA ISABEL	RSA	19	65	360	1973	19	1	MFV SANTA ISABEL VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
SEEHEIM	RSA	21	81	276	1967	10	2	CRONJE PJ
ST BLAIZE	RSA	24	139	420	1979	11	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
ST CROIX	RSA	24	179	420	1987	11	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
STAALKOP	RSA	19	100	320	1964	8	2	VECTO TRADE 126 (PTY) LTD

Unlike the offshore demersal trawlers, only three vessels fished for more than one rights holder in 2003. The characteristics of the inshore fleet are summarised in Table 2.6.

**Table 2.6.** A summary of some mean characteristics for wetfish trawlers in the South African inshore demersal trawl fleet.

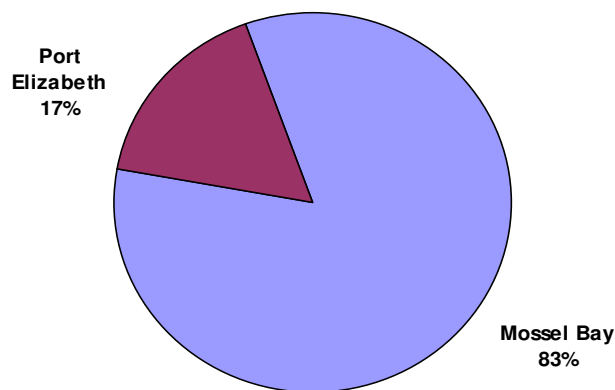
Characteristic	Average for Fleet
Length (m ± Std Dev)	20.7 ± 5.9
GRT (tons ± SD)	95.9 ± 57.4
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	316.5 ± 191
Crew (± SD)	11.7 ± 14
Construction Year (± SD)	1979.4 ± 4.6

The average age of the vessels operating in the inshore demersal trawl fishery was about 26 years (Figure 2.6); almost the same as that of the offshore fleet (28 years).



**Figure 2.6.** The age of the South African inshore demersal trawl fleet.

Most (83%) of the inshore demersal trawl vessels reported landing their catch at Mossel Bay in the Western Cape, but some (17%, Figure 2.7) offloaded their catch in Port Elizabeth.



**Figure 2.7.** Ports at which the South African inshore demersal trawl fleet landed their catch in 2003.

On average, the inshore trawlers carry less than half the crew of the offshore trawlers. Eighty-two percent of the inshore fleet had 8 to 12 crew; two vessels had only six crewmembers each, while one vessel had as many as 28 crew. The total number employed on the inshore trawl vessels in 2003 were 323 crewmembers.

### 2.2.3 Hake longline

The hake longline fishery is one of the most recent additions to the South African fishing sector. The first experimental permits were granted in 1983, to nine fishing companies that already held hake quotas for the demersal trawl fishery. Two years later the fishing effort had moved from the west coast to the south coast of the Western Cape Province, to target kingklip. This was because the hake caught by the longline method were subtracted from the right-holders' demersal trawl quota, while the kingklip catches were not quota-controlled. The market price for kingklip was also significantly higher than for hake. In 1986, six more kingklip-directed experimental longline permits were issued, but the resource could not sustain the subsequent fishing pressure. After initially being high, catches decreased sharply

until a moratorium was declared on demersal longlining in 1990. Nevertheless, an interest in demersal longlining in South Africa had been stimulated by the experiment, especially with the realisation that hake of exceptional quality could be economically caught in relatively shallow water, using longline technology.

The interest in longline fishing for hake (including illegal fishing pressure) led to the reinstatement of the demersal longline experiment in 1994, with the proviso that only hake could be targeted. A carefully monitored and controlled one-year pilot study was followed by a two-year hake-directed experimental fishery.

About 80 vessels were allowed to operate in the experimental fishery. During this time, the lucrative Prime Quality (PQ) market for fresh South African hake on ice was developed in Europe (primarily in Spain). The experiment was declared a success and fishing rights were awarded under the Marine Living Resources Act in 1999 and 2000, but these allocations were disputed in court and had to be set aside. Eventually medium-term rights were successfully awarded to 75 rights holders in 2001, but this number almost doubled after a series of appeals were made to the Minister.

Currently, the hake longline fishery consists of an inshore and an offshore sector. Those vessels operating under an inshore permit are not restricted to the inshore fishing grounds, but may only use longlines with 4000 hooks or less. The offshore permit holders may use more than 4000 hooks per line, but may not fish in waters shallower than 110 m. The demersal longline vessels use a unique double-line system designed to cope with the harsh weather, strong currents and hard, rough substrate of the fishing grounds. They may only deploy the longlines before sunrise, to minimise seabird catches.

### 2.2.3.1 Rights holders

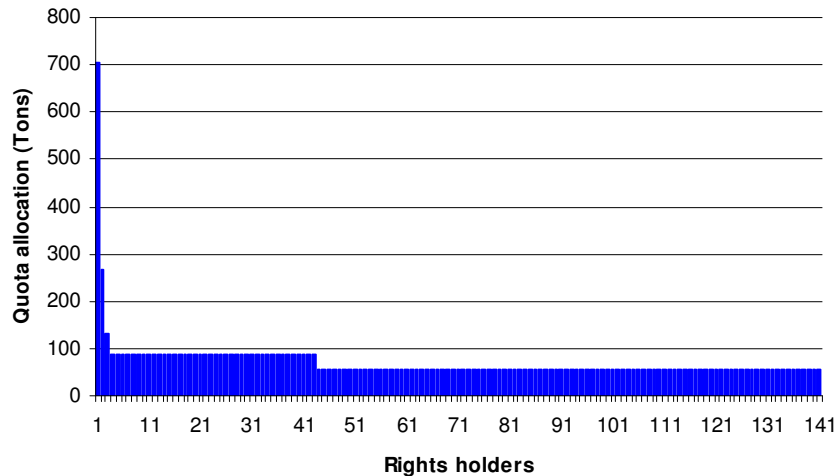
There were 141 medium-term rights holders in the South African hake longline fishery. The rights holders and their quota allocations for 2003 are presented in Table 2.7.

**Table 2.7.** Medium term rights holders in the South African demersal longline fishery, and their hake quota allocation for 2003.

RIGHTS HOLDER	2003 Allocation (Tons)	RIGHTS HOLDER	2003 Allocation (Tons)
ABANTU FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	MAINTENANCE FISHING CC	57
ACTIVE TWENTY (PTY) LTD	57	MALI BONGWE FISHERIES CC	57
AFD FISHING CC	57	MASAKHANE DEVELOPMENT TRUST	57
AFRICAN STAR FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	MASIFUNDE FISHING CC	57
AL-AMAN FISHING CC	57	MASIKHULE FISHING CC	88
ALGOA MARINE EXPORTERS (PTY) LTD	57	MAST FISHING (PTY) LTD	57
ALICE COMMUNITY FISHING ENTERPRISES	57	MAZIDLEKHAYA FISHING CC	57
ALICENTRE FISHING CC	88	MONODON FISHING ENT.(PTY) LTD	57
AMAQOBELA FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	MOSSEL BAY INDIGENOUS FISHERMEN	88
BAFIAANSBERG (EDMS) BPK	57	NATI SI NAKO FISHING CC	57
BALOBI PROCESSORS (PTY) LTD	57	NOORDKAAP VISSERMAN ONDERN	132
BAYVIEW FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	NPS AGENCIES CC	57
BIZAFRIKA 131 (PTY) LTD	57	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC	88
BLUEFIN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	88	OCEAN VIEW & MASIPHUMELELE FISHING	88
BLUEFIN HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD	57	OPEN CIRCLE PROJECTS ONE CC	57
BROSS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	57	PAKAMANI FISHING (PTY) LTD	88
CALAMARI FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	PELLSRUS HISTORICAL FISHING CORP	88
CAPE FISH PROCESSORS (PTY) LTD	88	PETERSENS FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	57
CARINA FISHING CC	57	PIKE ROCK FISHING CC	57

RIGHTS HOLDER	2003 Allocation (Tons)	RIGHTS HOLDER	2003 Allocation (Tons)
CARPENSIS FISHING INDUSTRIES	57	PIMPANO SIXTEEN (PTY) LTD	57
COMBINED FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	57	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD	57
CYRIL BURREL FISHING CC	57	QUANTUS FISHING (PTY) LTD	57
D & H FISHERIES CC	57	R D SUMMERS FISHERIES CC	57
D CHRISTY AND SONS (PTY) LTD	57	RAILOUN MIERWAAN	57
DEUS TE AJUDE FISHING (PTY) LTD	88	RAINBOW NATION FISHING CC	57
DIABLO TRADE 113 (PTY) LTD	88	REIGER VISSERYE CC	88
DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	57	RIETVLEI FISHING C	88
DYER EILAND VISSERYE (EDMS) BPK	57	RISAR FISHING CC	88
EASTERN MARINE ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	57	ROBERG FAST FOODS SA (PTY) LTD	57
EMACHIBINI FISHERIES CC	57	ROYAL ALGOA FISHING CO (PTY)LTD	57
EYABANTU FISHERIES CC	57	S A COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN	265
EYETHU FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	SAFRIKA FISHING CC	57
EZABANTU FISHING CC	57	SAUL CLOETE & VENNOTE (PTY) LTD	57
EZINTLANZINI FISHING (PTY) LTD	88	SCEPTRE FISHING (PTY) LTD	57
EZOLWANDLE FISHNG (PTY) LTD	88	SIBANYE FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	88
FAULKNER FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	57	SIMUNYE FISHERMAN CC	57
FERRO FISHING (PTY) LTD	57	SISONKE FISHING CC	57
FULLDECK INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	88	SIYAKHA FISHING CC	57
GAMKA FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	57	SIZABANTU FISHING CORPORATION	88
GENUINE FISHING CC	57	SKOTSHE KLOOF FISHERY CC	57
GEROMBE FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	88	SLH FISHERIES LIMITED	57
GIBBISEPS VISSERYE (EDMS) BPK	57	SOLOMONS FISHING CC	57
GLOMORONE (PTY) LTD	57	SOUNDPROPS INVEST. 1167 (PTY) LTD	88
GOVEST EIGHT CC	57	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCTS LTD	57
HACKY FISHING (PTY) LTD	88	SOUTH. POINT OCEANIC FRESH PROD.	57
HEATWAVE FISHING CC	57	STARMARK (PTY) LTD	57
HENBASE 2361 CC	57	TARIDOR FIVE CC	88
HENTIQ 1173 (PTY) LTD	88	THE CAPE PENINSULA LINEFISHERMAN	88
HENTIQ 2349 (PTY) LTD	57	THE FISHING TRUST	57
HUMANSDORP COMM. WORKERS (PTY) LTD	88	THE TUNA HAKE CORPORATION LTD	705
I FORTUNE AND CREW (PTY) LTD	88	TITANIC ELEVEN CC	57
IMBUMBA FISHING CC	57	TRADE OFF 65 (PTY) LTD	88
IMPALA FISHING CO (PTY) LTD	88	TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC	57
INJECTRADE 1100 CC	57	TTM FISHING (PTY) LTD	57
INTER FISH (PTY) LTD	57	UKLOBA FISHING	88
INTLANZI FISHING (PTY) LTD	88	ULWANDLE FISHING (PTY) LTD	57
ITHEMBA LABANTU FISHING CC	57	UMFONDINI FISHING (PTY) LTD	88
J- BAY SQUID CATCHES (PTY) LTD	57	UMZAMOWETHU FISHERMEN CO-OP. CC	57
J & J VISSERYE CC	57	UNATHI WENA FISHING CC	57
JFP FISHING CC	57	V M YOUNG VISSERYE BK	88
JOENARDO FISHING CC	57	VALORTRADE 1143 CC	57
KALAHARI FISHING CC	57	VASCO DA GAMA FISHING CC	57
KHULANI FISHING (PTY) LTD	88	VERSATEX TRADING 249 (PTY)LTD	57
KNYSNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	88	Victor George NEWMAN CC	88
KUSASA COMMODITIES 63 (PTY) LTD	57	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD	57
KWIK FREEZE FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	88	WESTFORT FISHING CC	57
L M FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	88	YELLOWSTAR TRADING 1154 (PTY) LTD	57
LAAGGETY VISSERYE CC	57	YEYETHU FISHING (PTY) LTD	57
LAINGVILLE FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	88	YOUR TRADE 19 CC	57
LE-TAP FISHING CC	57	ZIMELE FISHING CC	57
LONGLINE FISHING (PTY) LTD	88	<b>RESERVE</b>	<b>229</b>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,440</b>

The distribution of quota amongst the rights holders was relatively even compared to the rest of the hake fisheries (Figure 2.8). Three cooperative-type fishing organisations held approximately 11% of the quota (Tuna Hake Corporation Limited, 6.9%; SA Commercial Fishermen, 2.6% and Noordkaap Vissermans Onderneming, 1.3%). The rest of the rights holders could be divided into two groups; those with  $\pm 0.9\%$  portions of the TAC (40 rights holders) and those with  $\pm 0.6\%$  (98 rights holders).



**Figure 2.8.** Hake quota allocations in the South African demersal longline fishery in 2003.

More than half the rights holding entities were propriety limited companies (52%), and most of the rest were closed corporations (45%). Two rights were held by individuals (1.5%), and two were held in trusts (1.5%). The hake longline fishery is not as Capital intensive as the rest of the demersal hake fisheries, and was identified by Marine & Coastal Management as ideally suited for the empowerment of small and medium enterprises and historically disadvantaged fishers. Most of the medium term rights holders were small ( $\pm 50\%$ ) or medium ( $\pm 40\%$ ) sized operations. Only about 10 percent of the companies were classified as large companies in 2004.

Most ( $\pm 88\%$ ) of the rights holders employed less than 50 workers, which is in keeping with a fishery dominated by small companies; 7 % of the companies employ between 50 – 100 workers, whilst 5% employ more than 100 staff.

According to the Economic & Transformation Census carried out for the fishery in 2004, approximately 5625 people were employed by the hake longline rights holders. However, some of the larger fishing companies had rights to a number of fisheries, and there is likely to be a “cross-pollination” effect when attempting to estimate employment derived solely from the hake longline fishery. For example, the three large, multiple rights holding fishing companies like Premier Fishing, Viking Fishing and SA Sea Products employed some 1760 people (31% of the hake longline total) between them. Marine & Coastal Management estimates that the hake longline fishery employs approximately 3600 permanent workers and a further 3200 part time workers.

Medium-term hake longline fishing rights were awarded to operations in the Western Cape Province (67% of the total), the Eastern Cape Province (31%) and to three companies in the Northern Cape Province (2%).

### 2.2.3.2 Vessels

Approximately 90 demersal longline vessels were operating in the hake fishery in 2003. The fact that there are more rights holders than vessels in the fishery points to some vessels fishing for more than one rights holder. Fifty-six percent of the vessels fished for one rights holder only; 24 % fished for just two rights holders; 17% fished for between 3 – 5 rights holders, and 3 vessels fished for as many as six rights holders each (Table 2.8).

**Table 2.8.** The hake demersal longline fishing fleet in 2003.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
ABE SHAPIRO	RSA	19	65	164	1968	15	2	SOLIPROPS 1083 CC
ABRAHAM T	RSA	21	100	308	1962	20	1	JOAO MF DE FARIA
ALASKA	RSA	20	68	500	1964	18	2	ALASKA FISHING CC
ANNA AMELIA	RSA	12	<25	84	1946	12	1	ROBBERG FAST FOODS SA PTY LTD
ARANDA	RSA	14	25	93	1997	18	1	BIZ AFRIKA 131 PTY LTD
ARIES	RSA	29	214	360	1963	25	5	ARIES BOAT COMPANY PTY LTD
ARIZONA	RSA	20	75	385	1950	24	2	INTLANZI FISHING PTY LTD
ARMANDO	RSA	17	61	224	2002	21	1	FERRO FISHING PTY LTD
ATLANTIC PRIVATEER	RSA	21	99	300	1966	22	2	ALGOA MARINE EXPORT. PTY LTD
AUGUSTA ONE	RSA	30	127	474	1977	26	4	MFV AUGUSTA I VES. CO. PTY LTD
AVRIL W	RSA	18	64	207	1966	18	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
BARBARA W	RSA	18	64	200	1966	20	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
BARCELONA	RSA	12	<25	166	1984	14	1	ST FRANCIS SEA PRODUCTS
BRANDARIS	RSA	21	109	450	1969	25	2	PURPLE DOT INVEST. 6 PTY LTD
CAPE PADRONE	RSA	22	74	295	1964	23	3	RISAR FISHING CC
CAPENSIS	RSA	32	221	298	1967	25	1	QUANTUS FISHING PTY LTD
CAPRIVI	RSA	21	102	300	1196	25	4	BALOBI PROCESSORS PTY LTD
CASTELLAMARE	RSA	21	86	---	1968	24	1	LAINGVILLE FISHERIES PTY LTD
CHRISTIE LEONIE	RSA	21	91	250	1962	24	4	IBHAYI COMM. BOAT OWN. PTY LTD
CHRISTO REI	RSA	23	116	382	1991	25	1	CYRIL BURREL FISHING CC
COLLEEN	RSA	9	<25	15	1954	12	1	VASCO DA GAMA FISHING CC
COMET	RSA	20	84	223	1959	22	1	COMET FISHING CC
CONQUISTADOR	RSA	18	46	240	1988	25	1	SCEPTRE FISHING PTY LTD
CONSTANTIABERG	RSA	18	56	172	1967	14	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
CRISTIAAN ANJAGIRT	RSA	16	54	272	1999		1	COMFISH PTY LTD
CYRIL BURREL TWO	RSA	17	47	180	1958	12	1	TUNA HAKE CORPORATION
DISA	RSA	28	190	597	1974	25	6	BOLOKO TRADING INVEST. PTY LTD
ELANDSBERG	RSA	16	<25	---	---	12	1	JJ DE FLORENCA
ELLIS S	RSA	19	74	282	1958	21	1	GEROMBE FISHING ENT. CC
ERONGO TWO	RSA	15	56	186	1999	24	1	GAMKA FISHING PTY LTD
EROS	RSA	22	93	425	1968	25	2	ALICENTE FISHING CC
GIRL DIANA	RSA	21	91	254	1963	30	1	BLUE CONTINENT PROD. PTY LTD
HAI LIM 38	RSA	26	114	525	1994	6	2	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD
HERMAN S	RSA	20	72	224	1957	20	1	IMPALA FISHING PTY LTD
HIGH LAND QUEEN	RSA	21	116	335	1968	22	2	MVB HIGHLAND QUEEN BEL PTY LTD
HIGHLAND QUEEN	RSA	14	<25	180	1996	19	2	HIGHLAND FISHERIES CC
KENTUCKY	RSA	19	78	317	1959	20	1	KENTUCKY FISHING CC
KIRSTENBERG	RSA	20	64	172	1968	17	1	MASIZAKHE FISHING COOP LTD
LARGO	RSA	20	76	335	1963	35	1	MOSSSEL BAY INDIG. FISHERMEN



Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
LEIN SAT	RSA	18	---	---	---	---	1	BIZ AFRIKA 1504 PTY LTD
LOCHANORA	RSA	25	98	350	1981	22	2	RD SUMMERS FISHERIES CC
LORRAINE	RSA	12	<25	180	1997	17	2	Dyer Eiland Visserye (Pty) Ltd
LOUISE MARI	RSA	17	81	268	1996	30	1	LM FISHERIES PTY LTD
MALAGAS TWO	RSA	21	97	315	1968	22	1	KENTUCKY FISHING CC
MARTINHO	RSA	19	83	---	1955	20	1	NORTE PESCA FISHING CC
MAXIMUS	RSA	23	158	336	2002	30	5	MAXIMUS FISHING PTY LTD
MFV CHRISTIE SUE	RSA	19	73	240	1963	18	1	MANUEL DE OLIM FISHING CC
MONNICKENDAM	RSA	20	91	425	1962	23	6	BLUE VENTURE FISHING PTY LTD
NICOLETTE	RSA	20	83	350	1965	20	5	BROSS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD
NUWELAND	RSA	11	<25	80	1970	4	1	BAFIAANSBERG EDMS BPK
OCEAN RECOVERY	RSA	23	96	283	1959	34	1	GRAHAM MC CARTHY
OCEANA EMERALD	RSA	20	141	300	1969	24	5	BLUEFIN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
OUMA	RSA	16	51	318	1959	15	1	VIRISSIMO FISHING PTY LTD
PAKAMANI	RSA	21	117	330	1962	25	3	PAKAMANI FISHING PTY LTD
PALINURUS	RSA	45	424	1035	1961	29	6	MFV PALINURUS VES. COM. PTY LTD
PAUL	RSA	20	88	425	---	16	2	BATSATA FISHING PTY LTD
PAULINE BRIDGET	RSA	15	42	120	1953	16	1	CARPENSIS FISHING IND. PTY LTD
PENKOP TWO	RSA	21	98	309	1965	20	3	MONIZ FISHERIES PTY LTD
PERLE DU ATLANTIC	RSA	15	44	180	1986	23	3	SIBANYE FISHING COMPANY PTY LTD
ROOIBERG	RSA	12	47	145	1958	8	1	JB HELENA
SAFRICA FISHING	RSA	14	<25	150	2001	16	1	SAFRICA FISHING CC
SAMANTHA	RSA	12	<25	165	1991	16	1	TTM FISHING
SANTA MONICA	RSA	29	225	550	1964	22	3	SA TUNA EXPORTERS PTY LTD
SAO GABRIEL	RSA	20	90	268	1962	19	2	SAO GABRIEL FISHING CC
SEA PRIDE TWO	RSA	24	99	500	1967	20	2	SEA PRIDE FISHING CC
SEAN PAQUITO THREE	RSA	19	81	400	1998	21	2	JD PAQUITO
SHAROLIN DAWN	RSA	19	68	250	1962	20	1	JOSE M DA COSTA FERNANDES
SHARON	RSA	17	73	235	1994	28	2	JURASSIC FISHING IND. PTY LTD
SHIAN FENG CHANG 18	RSA	27	151	375	1973	16	2	COMBINED FISHING ENT. CC
SHIVON	RSA	17	89	260	1999	25	5	HUMANSDORP CFW PTY LTD
SILVER HUNTER	RSA	20	100	255	1967	18	3	VISKO SEA PRODUCTS PTY LTD
SOUTHERN TIGER	RSA	22	72	240	1944	20	1	BAYANA BAYANA FISHING CC
ST LUCIA	RSA	14	<25	125	1945	12	1	D & H FISHERIES CC
SULAIMAN	RSA	18	71	---	2001	20	2	ARBAH HOLDINGS PTY LTD
SW GANNET	RSA	16	46	250	---	16	1	SW GANNET PTY LTD
SWELLENDAM	RSA	18	78	240	1959	18	1	HACKY FISHING PTY LTD
SWORDFISH	RSA	19	78	390	1981	25	1	DC SMITH & DJ SMITH
TERN	RSA	14	<25	90	1994	16	1	TERN FISHING TRUST
THE DON	RSA	17	65	186	1995	25	4	DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES PTY LTD
TIGER FISH	RSA	18	60	---	1958	12	2	LAMBERTSBAY FISHING
TINA	RSA	17	53	215	1980	15	2	JOENARDO FISHING CC
TRUDY MARLENE	RSA	20	68	254	1964	23	1	VM YOUNG VISSERYE BK
VALHALLA	RSA	18	57	217	1955	15	2	JOENARDO FISHING CC
VLOTTENBERG	RSA	15	39	135	1952	16	1	ITHEMBA LABANTU FISHING CC
WERKENDAM	RSA	16	47	179	1957	21	1	AFRICAN STAR FISHING PTY LTD
WESKUS ONE	RSA	20	66	255	1965	18	1	JORGE DE OLIM FISHING CC
WESTERDAM	RSA	20	67	250	1968	17	1	MFV WESTERDAM CC
WHITE ROSE	RSA	13	32	---	1994	16	1	SKAGEN FISHING CC

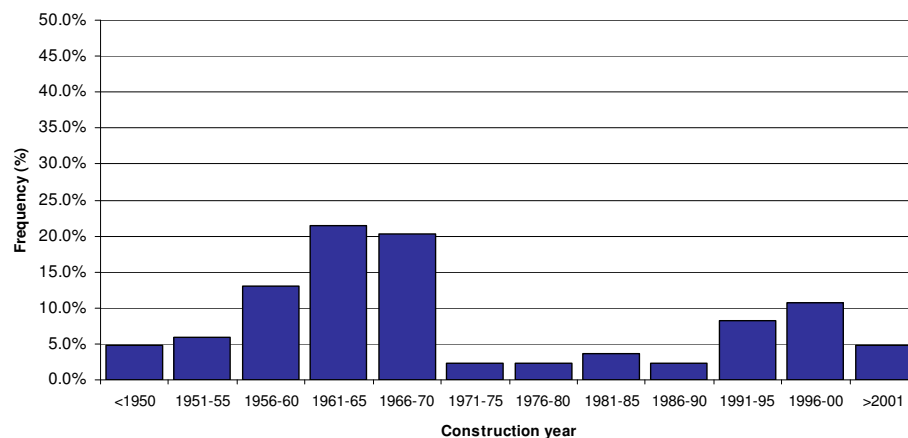
More than 50 % of the demersal longline vessels were between 18 – 22 m in length (see Table 2.9 for the mean value). The fleet included a vessel as small as 9 m, and one as large as 45 m. Marine & Coastal Management reports that there is some level of subdivision of the vessels according to size, with the larger vessels targeting the offshore fishing area, and the smaller vessels operating within the inshore region.

**Table 2.9.** A summary of some mean characteristics for demersal longlining vessels in the South African hake longline fleet.

Characteristic	Average for Fleet
Length (m ± Std Dev)	19 ± 5
GRT (tons ± SD)	90 ± 56
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	281 ± 142
Crew (± SD)	20 ± 6
Construction Year (± SD)	1972 ± 16

Surprisingly for a sector that is relatively new to the South African fishing industry, the average age of the demersal hake longline vessels (33 years, Table 2.9) was older than the inshore and offshore demersal hake trawlers. More than half (± 55%) of the vessels were constructed between 1955 and 1970, pointing to vessels used in other fisheries, undergoing a fishing gear refit to the longline configuration. From Figure 2.8 it appears that some new vessels were built for the fishery after 1991 (± 24% of the total number of vessels reported in the fishery in 2003).

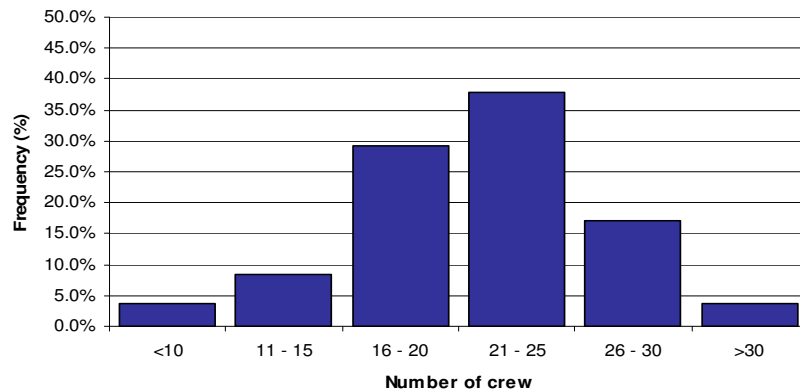
The size of the crew on the demersal longline vessels was distributed relatively evenly about the mean value of 20 members reported in Table 2.9. Nearly 70% of the longliners had complements of between 15 to 25 crewmembers (Figure 2.9). The smallest vessel in the fleet had a crew of only four members, while the largest crew in the fleet consisted of 35 members. An estimated 1767 crewmembers were employed in the fishery in 2003.



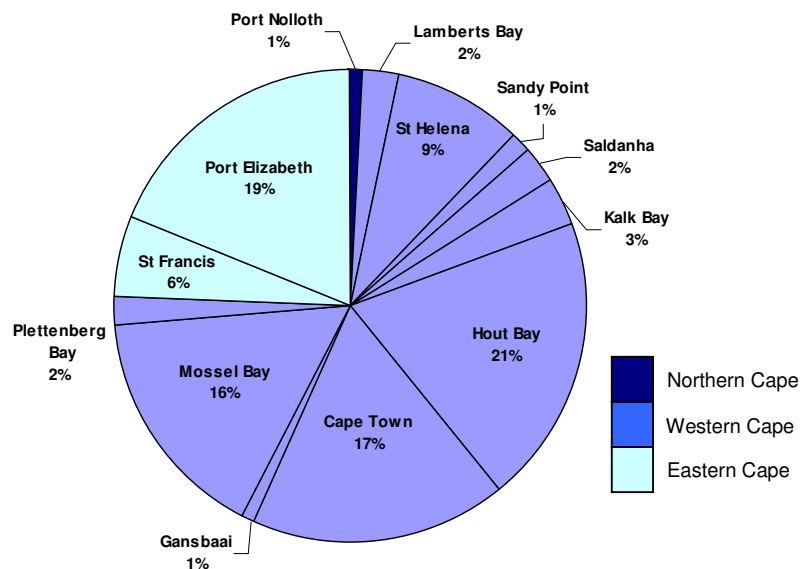
**Figure 2.8.** The age structure of the demersal longline fleet fishing in the South African hake fishery.

The hake longline fleet operates out of fishing harbours from Port Nolloth in the Northern Cape, around the Western Cape right up to Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape (Figure 2.10). Twenty-five percent of the fish caught in 2003 were landed at harbours in the Eastern Cape, 74% in the Western Cape Province and 1% at Port Nolloth in the Northern Cape.





**Figure 2.9.** The number of crew on the demersal longline vessels operating in the South African hake fishery.



**Figure 2.10.** Fishing harbours at which the hake demersal longline fleet landed their catch in 2003.

### 2.3 Small pelagic purse seine fishery

As its name suggests, the South African small pelagic fishery targets small species of shoaling fish that frequent the upper reaches of the ocean. They are harvested by vessels using purse-seine nets, relatively close inshore. The fishery targets two species; anchovy (*Engraulis encrasicolus*) and pilchard (*Sardinops sagax*), with a by-catch of round-eye herring (*Etrumeus whiteheadi*) and juvenile horse mackerel (*Trachurus trachurus*). The anchovy are usually caught along the west coast of the Western Cape Province, near Saldanha Bay and St Helena Bay, while the pilchards are targeted along the south-eastern coast, east of Mossel Bay and, to some extent, off Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape Province.

The fishery was founded on pilchard after the Second World War, when a fleet of privately owned purse seine vessels began targeting pilchard and horse mackerel. By 1953 the authorities felt it necessary to protect the pilchard resource by setting an annual maximum catch limit of 270 000 tons. However, it was never enforced and catches regularly exceeded this limit. By 1955 the pelagic fishing fleet had grown to 140 vessels, and catches grew to include anchovy, chub mackerel (*Scomber japonicus*), and red-eye round herring (*Etrumeus whiteheadi*). The maximum catch limit for pilchard was repealed in 1961, resulting in more than 410 000 tons of this species being landed in 1962. This amount of fishing pressure was not sustainable, and by 1966 the pilchard stocks had collapsed.

In response to the decline of the pilchard resource, the small pelagic fleet began to target anchovy, using nets with a smaller mesh size. This switch caused major repercussions in the fleet, as the fishing equipment required to target anchovy was far more costly. Many of the private boat owners stopped fishing, or sold their vessels to the processing factories. The factories also invested in new, larger vessels to compensate for the loss of catching capacity. By 1987 anchovy catches had almost reached 600 000 tons, and made up more than 80% of small pelagic landings. Two years later the stocks crashed, and by 1996 only 40 000 tons of anchovy were caught. At the same time, the pilchard stocks were recovering. Juvenile pilchards occur in the same areas as the anchovy fishing grounds, and the steady increase in pilchard abundance led to a situation where the by-catches of juvenile pilchard in the anchovy catches were too high for the fishery to operate efficiently.

As a result, a complex operational management procedure (OMP) was implemented for the small pelagic fishery at the beginning of 1994. Initial TACs for both pilchard and anchovy are calculated based on the number of spawning adults present in surveys carried out at the end of the previous year, and are revised based on estimates of the number of juveniles present in mid-year survey samples. The advantage of these surveys are that they give a direct estimate of the existing pelagic fish stocks as well as an estimate of the following year's stocks, thereby reducing the chance of the stocks being over-fished, and insuring that the fishery is well-managed. The result is that anchovy and pilchard catches have subsequently increased, with landings of both species averaging around 250 000t each over the past five years. The by-catch species are managed differently, with an upper catch limit set for juvenile horse mackerel ( $\pm 5000$  tons per annum) and a precautionary maximum catch limit (PMCL) for round herring ( $\pm 100 000$  tons p.a.).

Although it is the largest fishery in South Africa (by mass of landed fish), the value of the product is low. Value is added through onshore processing. Anchovy and round-herring are mostly processed into fishmeal and fish oil, with some production of fish paste. Pilchards are mostly canned for human consumption, but there is also a market for large pilchards which are packaged as baitfish, or for human consumption.

### 2.3.1 Rights holders

The result of the switch from targeting pilchard to anchovy in the late 1960's was that a number of purse-seine vessel operators had to sell their vessels to the processing factories and leave the fishery due to increased costs. At the same time, to feed the production capacity of their factories, the processors were forced to invest in new, purpose built anchovy vessels. This meant that the operators in the fishery fell into two groups; those that were private boat owners, and those that owned processing plants and operated a fleet of vessels.

After this period of restructuring, the first individual small pelagic "rights" were issued in 1974. Only the processing factories in the fishery received quota. The private boats were in turn allocated entrenched catching rights, which were bound to the factories' quotas. The private boat owners were paid for their catch on a negotiated formula. In 1984, the "minimum catch"

right for each of the boats was implemented by the authorities, which were allocated to the private boat owners still operating in the fishery at the time.

By the early 1990's the status of the private boat owners with entrenched catch-rights began to change. In 1992, there were 49 sardine directed right-holders and 36 anchovy directed right-holders operating some 85 vessels. During the medium term rights allocation process in 2001/2002, 113 small pelagic fishing rights were allocated, including 92 allocations for pilchards and/or 86 allocations for anchovy, as well as 21 allocations for pilchard baitfish (Table 2.10).

**Table 2.10.** Medium term rights holders in the South African small pelagic fishery, and their pilchard and/or anchovy quota allocation for 2003.

RIGHTS HOLDER	PILCHARD Allocation (tons) in 2003	ANCHOVY Allocation (tons) in 2003	PILCHARD BAIT Allocation (tons) in 2003
82 BOUNDARY ROAD CC	784	2023	0
A J F EIGELAAR AND SONS (PTY)LTD	547	804	0
ACHMAD SULAIMAN	0	141	917
AL-AMAN FISHING CC	0	0	1840
ALBERTS FISHING CC	0	584	755
ALEXANDROS DEMETRIOS STAMATIS	917	141	0
ALPHA FISHING COOPERATION CC	0	663	699
ARNISTON FISH PROCESSORS (PTY)LTD	1841	286	0
AZANIAN FISHING CC	898	377	0
BALOBI PROCESSORS (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
BASIC TRADING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
BLUEFIN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	916	0	0
BLUEFIN HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD	1773	809	0
BONGOLWETHU FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	0	141	917
CAPE FISH PROCESSORS (PTY) LTD	1841	286	0
CAPE PILCHARD PIONEER CC	1089	1856	0
CB TREDOUX	0	0	916
CHAPMANS PEAK FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
COMBINED FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	918	254	0
COMMUNITY PROCESSORS AND DISTRIBUTORS	2092	2634	0
D CHRISTY & SONS (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
DROMEDARIS VISSERYE LTD	1906	4259	0
DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
EDWARDS FISHING (PTY) LTD	596	750	0
EMACHIBINI FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	2829	2680	0
ERONGO FISHING CC	0	1632	1295
EXTRA DIMENSIONS 70 (PTY) LTD	699	663	0
EZINTLANZINI FISHING (PTY) LTD	1820	281	0
FOODCORP (PTY) LTD	11871	6632	0
GANSBAAI MARINE (PTY) LTD	11212	4353	0
GERMISHUYS EN GROENEWALD BP	803	511	0
GEROMBE FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	916	0	0
HARRY WILLIAMS	917	141	0
HCL GRIFFITHS	699	663	0
HENBASE 2655 CC	784	2023	0

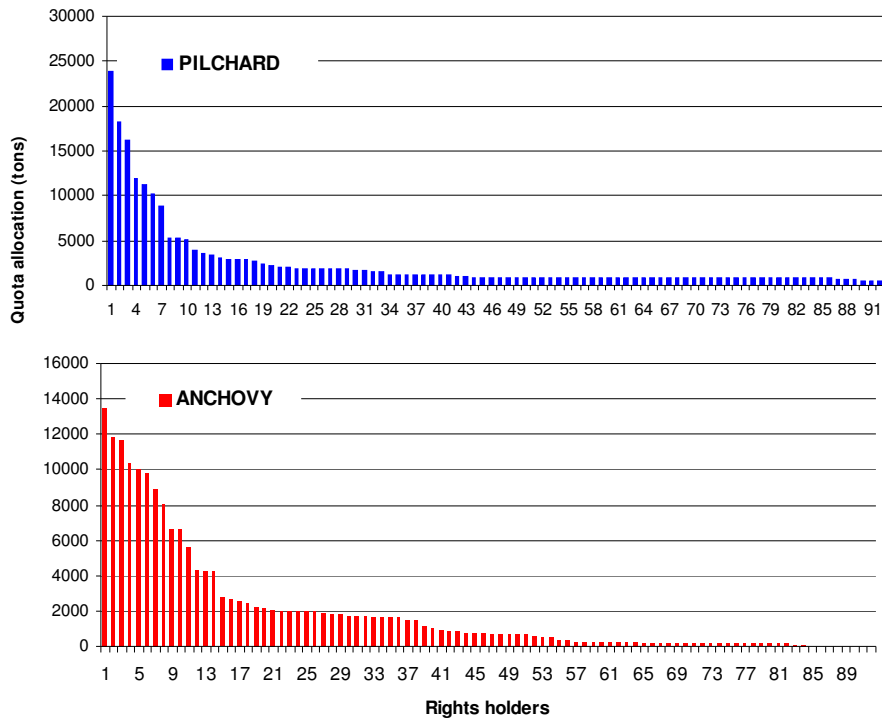
RIGHTS HOLDER	PILCHARD Allocation (tons) in 2003	ANCHOVY Allocation (tons) in 2003	PILCHARD BAIT Allocation (tons) in 2003
HENTIQ 2349 (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
HUMANSDORP COMM. FACTORY WORKERS (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
IMPALA FISHING (PTY) LTD	1199	1506	0
ITHEMBA LABANTU FISHING CC	1227	0	0
J ENGELBRECHT VISSERYE CC	0	1629	1349
JAFFA'S BAY FISHING CC	2783	2743	0
JALOERSBAAI (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
KALAHARI FISHING CC	916	0	0
KENNETH KINGMA	0	64	916
KHULANI FISHING (PTY) LTD	918	254	0
KNYSNA FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	0	0	916
KOMICX PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD	1841	286	0
LAINGVILLE FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	1202	506	0
LAMBERTS BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD	10163	11886	0
LATIEF ALBERTYN FISHERIES	0	663	699
MACLACHLAN A C	1273	1659	0
MANETRADE 2094 CC	1246	1717	0
MARINATA VISSERSVROUE CC	0	1454	1535
MARION DAWN FISHING CC	0	0	916
MEERMIN VISSERYE CC	784	2023	0
MOUNT PLEASANT FISHING (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
NOMALUNGELO FISHING CC	784	2023	0
NOORDBAAI VISSERS LTD	1201	1767	0
NTSHONALANGA FISHING (PTY) LTD	3531	1644	0
OFFSHORE FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	2333	2212	0
OKUSELWANDLE FISHING CC	917	141	0
ORGEL VISMAATSKAPPY LTD	2902	4270	0
P&H FORWARD FISHING	0	141	917
PALM SPRINGS FISHING CC	609	1153	0
PATERNOSTER VISSERY LTD	2951	5583	0
PELAGIC FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	1503	1893	0
PENGUIN FISHERIES CC	916	0	0
PHAKAMISA FISHING (PTY) LTD	2031	314	0
PIONEER FISHING WEST COAST LTD	16190	13518	0
PIONEER FISHING EAST COAST (PTY) LTD	1621	1704	0
PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD	18285	11652	0
QUAYSIDE FISH SUPPLIES CAPE (PTY) LTD	3065	847	0
RD SUMMERS FISHERIES CC	0	0	916
REIGER VISSERYE CC	1097	2076	0
RISAR FISHING CC	1841	286	0
SACO FISHING (PTY) LTD	3427	947	0
SALBURG (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
SALDANHA BAY CANNING CO (PTY) LTD	5249	8939	0
SCEPTRE FISHING (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
SCOPEFULL 116 (PTY) LTD	0	0	1205
SEA POINT FISHING CC	466	881	0
SENTINEL SEAFOODS (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
SIBANYE FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
SINETHEMBA FISHING CC	917	141	0

RIGHTS HOLDER	PILCHARD Allocation (tons) in 2003	ANCHOVY Allocation (tons) in 2003	PILCHARD BAIT Allocation (tons) in 2003
SIYASEBENZA FISHING (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
SOUNDPROPS 1167 INVESTMENTS (PTY)LTD	2225	2390	0
SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCTS LTD	8902	10412	0
SOUTH EAST ATLANTIC SEA PRODUCTS(PTY)LTD	916	0	0
ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LTD	23938	8068	0
TALHADO FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
TERRASAN PELAGIC FISHERY (PTY) LTD	5230	6693	0
THE CAPE PENINSULA LINEFISHERMAN	916	0	0
TRADEMANE (PTY) LTD	916	157	0
TRADEPROPS 153 (PTY) LTD	3900	10056	0
TRAKPROPS 22 (PTY) LTD	1613	1027	0
TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC	916	0	0
UKLOBA FISHING CC	1142	1812	0
ULWANDLE FISHING (PTY) LTD	0	101	916
UMFONDINI FISHING (PTY) LTD	1227	190	0
UMZAMANI FISHING CC	0	663	699
UMZAMOWETHU OYSTER BAY FISHERMENS CORP CC	847	2184	0
UNATHI WENA FISHING CC	784	2023	0
UNITRADE 947 (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
V M YOUNG VISSERYE CC	1841	286	0
VERMONT FISHING (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
VIKING INSHORE FISHING (PTY) LTD	916	0	0
VUNANI INVESTMENTS HOLDING (PTY) LTD	0	141	917
WALTERS EFH VISKO SEA PRODUCTS	917	141	0
WEST POINT FISHING CORP (PTY) LTD	5154	9752	0
YOLUNTU SEA PRODUCTS BK	0	0	916
ZIMELE FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	0	0	916
ZWM FISHING (PTY) LTD	917	141	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>223,767</b>	<b>181,192</b>	<b>21,072</b>

In general, the medium term small pelagic allocations can be grouped into large quota, which went to the traditional, processing-related operations; medium quota, which reflect the existing private vessel owner-type operations, and the smaller “new entrant” quota which was allocated to primarily black economic empowerment and/or SMME operations (Figure 2.11).

Sixty-three percent of the rights holding entities were proprietary limited companies, 32% were closed corporations and there were six individual rights holders still operating in the fishery.

Based on annual turnover in 2003, four percent of the small pelagic rights holders were very large companies, 19% were large companies, but most were small or medium-sized enterprises (77%). In terms of employment, 23% of the rights holders employed more than 100 people, 54% employed between 10 and 100 people, and 23% had less than 10 employees. The total number employed by the small pelagic fishery rights holders was about 12 000 people. However, the number of people directly employed in the small pelagic fishery was difficult to estimate, as more than 65% of the companies operating in the fishery held rights to more than one fishery. Nevertheless, MCM has estimated that about 7800 people are currently (2005) employed in the fishery (5300 permanent, 2500 seasonal). Of this total, approximately 1170 people are employed on the small pelagic purse seine vessels as crew.



**Figure 2.11.** A comparison of rights holder quota allocations for pilchard and anchovy in 2003, for the South African small pelagic purse seine fishery.

### 2.3.2 Vessels

The size of the small pelagic fleet has remained relatively constant over the last 10 or so years. Eighty-five purse seine vessels were reported active in the fishery in 1992, and even though the number of rights holders has increased significantly since then, about 90 vessels were fishing in the small pelagic fishery in 2003 (Table 2.11).

**Table 2.11.** The South African small pelagic purse seine fishing fleet in 2003.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
ACCORD	RSA	30	267	700	1970	12	2	EDWARDS FISHING PTY LTD
ADENIA	RSA	34	347	638	1975	11	2	PREMIER FISHING SA PTY LTD
AFRICAN VENTURE	RSA	13	---	95	1958	16	2	RUSTEE PTY LTD
ANKOVELD	RSA	24	125	770	1969	10	2	AJF EIGELAAR & SONS PTY LTD
ANTONIE W	RSA	15	36	230	1980	16	2	WALTERS BOOT BELANGE
ARANOS	RSA	35	292	795	1972	12	1	FOODCORP (PTY) LTD
AREND E	RSA	14	38	175	1997	18	1	KOMICX PRODUCTS PTY LTD
ARIZON 2	RSA	18	58	247	1961	10	3	MFV ARIZON2 VESSEL CO PTY LTD
ARNO LOUIS	RSA	20	79	349	1965	9	1	LJ GROENEWALD GHARDE & ARNO TRUST
ATLANTIC ENDEAVOUR	RSA	24	153	560	1968	10	1	WEST POINT FISHING CORP PTY LTD
ATLANTIC ENTERPRISE	RSA	25	153	565	1970	10	4	MVB ATLANTIC ENTERPRISE FISHING PTY LTD
ATLANTIC PIONEER	RSA	21	98	350	1966	10	3	ATLANTIC PIONEER FISHING PTY LTD
ATLANTIC PRIDE	RSA	26	175	565	1971	11	2	SIYADOBA FISHING (PTY) LTD

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
ATLANTIC SKIPPER	RSA	22	98	270	1967	10	1	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCT LTD
BABY RONALD	RSA	14	29	180	1936	8	2	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD
BELLA DA LUNAR	RSA	22	104	388	1971	10	1	PIONEER FISHING WEST COAST LTD
BELLA PRIMA	RSA	23	99	347	1968	10	1	FOURIE EKSTEEN PELAGIES BPK
BLOUGANS	RSA	18	66	400	1963	23	1	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD
BOSBOK	RSA	20	89	348	1965	9	2	BERGANS VISSERYE VENOOTSKAP
CAPE FISH 1	RSA	16	57	220	2000	12	1	CAPE FISH PROCESSORS PTY LTD
CAPRICORN	RSA	23	96	500	1969	10	1	AZANIAN FISHING CC
CHRISTIAAN ANJAGIRT	RSA	16	54	272	1999	8	1	COMFISH PTY LTD
CONQUISTADOR	RSA	18	46	240	1988	25	2	SCEPTRE FISHING PTY LTD
CONSORTIUM ALPHA	RSA	22	100	430	1970	18	2	TRANSAT COMPANY PTY LTD
CRAIG	RSA	17	68	224	1994	25	1	K KINGMA ( C & K FISHING ) CC
DALNESS	RSA	15	36	185	1951	8	2	CHARL BAREND TREDOUX
DOLOREZE	RSA	22	100	403	---	10	1	ORANJERIVIER VISSERYE (EDMS) BPK
DRAKENSKOP	RSA	21	99	455	1968	10	1	EMACHIBINI FISHERIES PTY LTD
DUINEKUS	RSA	34	302	839	1972	16	2	DUINEKUS FISHING PTY LTD
EDELWEISS	RSA	21	100	403	1969	10	2	GERMISHUYS EN GROENEWALD BK
ELLIS S	RSA	19	74	282	1958	21	1	GEROMBE FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
ELOMI	RSA	21	95	---	1996	10	2	HENTIQ 2302 PTY LTD
FRED MARIE	RSA	16	30	140	1984	13	2	SIBANYE FISHING COMPANY PTY LTD
GLEN MIST	RSA	21	100	377	1968	10	1	PREMIER FISHING SA PTY LTD
HENRIETTE	RSA	21	100	295	1966	10	1	LAMBERTS BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
KALAHARI	RSA	20	83	---	1968	9	3	TASNEEM FISHING PTY LTD
KATHLEEN LOUISE III	RSA	20	93	355	1964	10	1	UKLOBA FISHING CC
KAVALIER	RSA	24	147	465	1968	10	1	J ENGELBRECHT VISSERYE CC
KOLGANS	RSA	20	89	250	1967	10	1	W J SWART & PARTNERS
KRANZBERG	RSA	21	99	355	1968	10	1	ORGEL VISMAATSKAPPY BEPERK
LOCHANORA	RSA	25	98	350	1981	22	2	RD SUMMERS FISHERIES CC
LOERIESFONTEIN	RSA	22	99	347	1969	10	2	PIONEER FISHING WEST COAST LTD
MANICWA	RSA	17	58	186	1989	25	2	H C L GRIFFITHS
MARCON	RSA	21	100	251	1968	10	1	MARCON FISH PTY LTD
MERCURY	RSA	22	93	377	1967	10	1	PREMIER FISHING SA PTY LTD
MERLENE	RSA	21	250	925	1966	10	1	H E WESSELS
MIZPAH	RSA	26	175	638	1972	10	1	PREMIER FISHING SA PTY LTD
MYMOENA	RSA	14	---	---	2000	12	1	MARION DAWN FISHING CC POGGENPOEL & PARTNERS
OCEANA AKWARIUS	RSA	22	111	360	1970	10	1	LAMBERTS BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
OCEANA CONCORDE	RSA	26	174	455	1972	10	3	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LIMITED
OCEANA GARNET	RSA	24	190	721	1995	11	1	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCT LTD
OCEANA KRANS	RSA	20	86	270	1966	10	3	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCT LTD
OCEANA ORION	RSA	21	100	285	1974	10	1	LAMBERTS BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
OCEANA PARAGON	RSA	21	102	285	1989	10	6	SINETHEMBA FISHING CC
OCEANA PEGASUS	RSA	22	118	285	1990	10	1	LAMBERTS BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
OCEANA PLUTO	RSA	22	100	---	1968	10	2	NOORDBAAI VISSERS BEPERK
OCEANA RUBY	RSA	22	100	338	1984	10	1	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCT LTD
OCEANA SAPPHIRE	RSA	22	100	383	1973	10	2	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCT LTD
OCEANA VIKING	RSA	31	253	711	1976	12	2	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LIMITED
RIETVLEI	RSA	22	158	463	1967	10	1	SOUNDPROPS 1167 INVESTMENTS PTY LTD
ROSEVELD	RSA	21	99	350	1967	10	1	AJF EIGELAAR & SONS PTY LTD



Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
RUNTU	RSA	21	99	360	1968	10	1	WILDEGANS VISSERYE BPK
RUWEKUS	RSA	37	316	839	1971	16	1	PIONEER FISHING WEST COAST LTD
SANTA MONICA	RSA	29	225	550	1964	22	4	SA TUNA EXPORTERS PTY LTD
SCOMBER	RSA	19	96	225	1997	25	2	SOUTH EAST ATLANTIC SEA PRODUCTS PTY LTD
SHIVON	RSA	17	89	260	1999	25	8	HUMANSDORP COMMUNITY FACTORY WORKERS PTY LTD
SILVER BOUNTY	RSA	27	271	597	1979	11	1	WEST POINT FISHING CORP PTY LTD
SILVER CHALLENGER	RSA	30	271	597	1979	10	1	SALDANHA BAY CANNING CO PTY LTD
SILVER CLIPPER	RSA	22	100	625	1973	10	1	PATERNOSTER VISSERYE LTD
SILVER DOLPHIN	RSA	23	138	---	1964	10	1	WEST POINT FISHING CORP PTY LTD
SILVER KATONKEL	RSA	23	134	480	1971	10	2	WEST POINT FISHING CORP PTY LTD
SILVER REAPER	RSA	21	92	250	1966	28	2	TALHADO FISHING ENTERPRISES PTY LTD
SILVER SNAPPER	RSA	22	100	375	1969	10	1	SNEEUGANS VISSERYE BPK
SOUTH WEST FALCON	RSA	24	163	373	1971	10	2	SLIP KNOT FISHING PTY LTD
SOUTHERN BELLE	RSA	34	304	795	1965	12	1	PREMIER FISHING SA PTY LTD
SOUTHERN CROSS	RSA	28	225	---	1964	20	1	SOUTH WEST TRAWLERS CC
STARCREST	RSA	35	381	711	1972	12	1	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LIMITED
STORMKOP	RSA	21	99	---	1968	10	1	MANETRADE 2094 CC
SUIDERKUS	RSA	32	345	895	1973	16	5	EAGLE FISHING PTY LTD
THE DON	RSA	17	65	186	1995	25	4	DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES PTY LTD
TOWERKOP	RSA	34	273	698	1985	12	2	NTABENI FISHING PTY LTD
UMFANA	RSA	17	70	298	2001	12	5	SIYASEBENZA FISHING PTY LTD
UMFONDINI	RSA	15	50	230	1997	20	4	UMFONDINI FISHING PTY LTD
VEGKOP	RSA	27	---	638	1974	12	2	FOODCORP (PTY) LTD
VIRAGO	RSA	14	---	215	2001	18	1	HUMANSDORP COMMUNITY FACTORY WORKERS PTY LTD
WATERBABY	RSA	13	---	142	1996	8	1	VIKING FISHING CO TRAWLERS PTY LTD
WILDEKUS	RSA	35	409	864	1970	12	1	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LIMITED
WILLEM W	RSA	19	105	272	1997	28	2	VISKO SEA PRODUCTS PTY LTD
ZAY-YAAN	RSA	15	47	165	1997	20	1	TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC

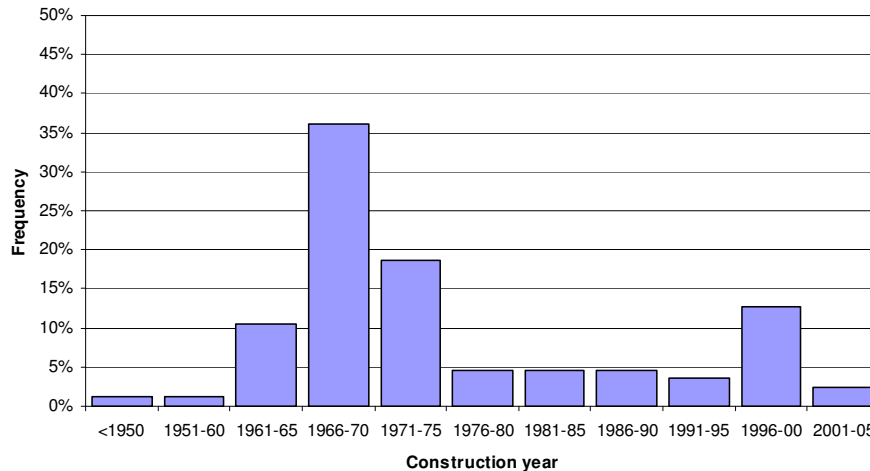
The small pelagic fleet consisted mostly of wood or steel-hulled purse seine vessels ranging in length from 15 to 25 m (75% of the fleet). Average length was about 22 m (Table 2.12); the largest vessel was 37 m in length, while the smallest was 13 m. The fishing gear used is a purse seine net. The top-line of the purse seine net is mounted on floats. The net is shot over the side of the vessel and then towed around a shoal of pelagic fish until the shoal is completely encircled. The bottom of the net is then gathered in, trapping the fish, and the nets are then hauled onboard with the aid of hydraulic winches. A fish pump is used to transport the fish from the net to the hold whilst the net is being hauled aboard. Many of the vessels carry two sets of nets, including a pilchard net and a smaller-meshed, more expensive anchovy net.

**Table 2.12.** A summary of some mean characteristics for purse seine vessels in the South African small pelagic fleet.

Characteristic	Average for Fleet
Length (m ± Std Dev)	22 ± 6
GRT (tons ± SD)	135 ± 88
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	418 ± 207
Crew (± SD)	13 ± 5
Construction Year (± SD)	1975 ± 13



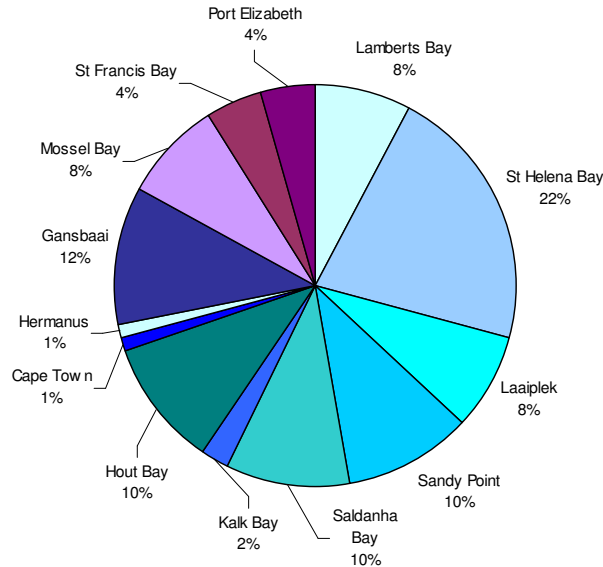
Sixty-five percent of the vessels were constructed between 1960 and 1975, a period of Capitalization in the small pelagic fishery when catches peaked and then crashed, resulting in a restructuring of the industry. In Figure 2.12, a smaller peak in the frequency of occurrence of construction year for the period 1995 – 2000 probably reflects capitalization in pelagic purse seine vessels by the new entrants into the fishery.



**Figure 2.12.** The age structure of the purse seine fleet in the South African small pelagic fishery.

The size of the crew on the purse seine vessels was relatively small compared to the other “industrial scale” fisheries. Fifty-six percent of the fleet had complements of 10 crewmembers or less, while 86% of the vessels had crews of 20 or less. The largest crew complement was 28 in 2003; the smallest was eight members.

The small pelagic fishing fleet operates primarily out of fishing harbours along the west coast of the Western Cape Province, from Lamberts Bay to Cape Town (71% of the landings were recorded in this region in 2003, Figure 2.13). Some vessels were based along the south coast of the Western Cape Province, at Gansbaai, Hermanus and Mossel Bay (20%), while the rest operated from St Francis Bay and Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape Province (8% of the total landings).



**Figure 2.13.** Ports and fishing harbours at which the small pelagic purse seine fleet landed their catch in 2003.

## 2.4 Mid-water trawl

The mid-water trawl fishery is a relatively new addition to the South African fishing sector. The fishery targets the horse mackerel (*Trachurus trachurus*), which is a semi-pelagic species that is distributed throughout South African waters. The species also occurs throughout the water column; juveniles are captured near the surface in the purse seine nets of the small pelagic fishery off the west coast, while larger horse mackerel are taken in the deep, demersal trawl nets of the offshore hake fishery. Horse mackerel-directed fishing using mid-water trawl nets by the foreign fishing fleet was permitted in South African waters until 1978 (until 1991 for the Japanese mid-water trawlers). In the early 1990's, there was an initiative by some of the larger hake-directed fishing companies to develop a local mid-water trawl fishery. The first nine quotas for the local mid-water trawl fishery were issued in 1990. By 1994, seventeen companies had horse mackerel directed, mid-water trawl rights.

As with the fisheries discussed before, the first horse mackerel quota allocations were based on the Total Allowable Catch (TAC) management principle. However, the horse mackerel TAC was based in part on CPUE data supplied by the Japanese trawlers. When the Japanese fleet left the fishery and this information was no longer available, the fishery was managed using the "Precautionary Maximum Catch Limit" (PMCL) approach. The PMCL is currently based on abundance estimates from demersal surveys, but the species population dynamics is still not well-enough understood for this approach to be considered reliable. For this reason, the PMCL for horse mackerel has fluctuated from 40 000 tons in 1992, to 58 000 tons in 1994, 34 000 tons in 1999 and up to 44 000 tons in 2002, as the understanding of the species dynamics have improved and the population models have been revised. Adding to the problem is the fact that horse mackerel make up a significant part of the catch of the small pelagic fishery and the demersal trawl fisheries. The horse mackerel population is particularly sensitive to the small pelagic fishery, which removes the juveniles that would otherwise recruit into the trawl fisheries. Purse seine catches of horse mackerel juveniles have now been limited to a maximum of 5000 tons per annum. The PMCL is shared between horse mackerel directed mid-water trawling, and the by-catch from the demersal hake trawl fisheries.

### 2.4.1 Rights holders

Effectively, two groups of rights holders exist in the mid-water trawl fishery. The first consists of companies who also have rights in the demersal hake trawl fishery. These companies do not have dedicated mid-water trawlers, but some of their vessels carry mid-water trawl nets. Depending on a variety of reasons, the vessels will sometimes target horse mackerel instead of hake. These rights holders must declare which species is the target species when trawling, and any hake caught whilst trawling for horse mackerel will be taken from their hake quota allocation, and *visa-versa* when trawling for hake. Twelve of the 17 mid-water trawl rights holders have hake demersal trawl fishing rights. The second group consists of those rights holders using a dedicated mid-water trawler to target horse mackerel.

Five new entrants were allocated medium-term rights to the mid-water trawl fishery in 2001. At the time, they were awarded quota of 500 tons each (escalated to 542 tons in 2003), and the rest was divided up amongst the established mid-water trawl companies (Table 2.13, Figure 2.14).

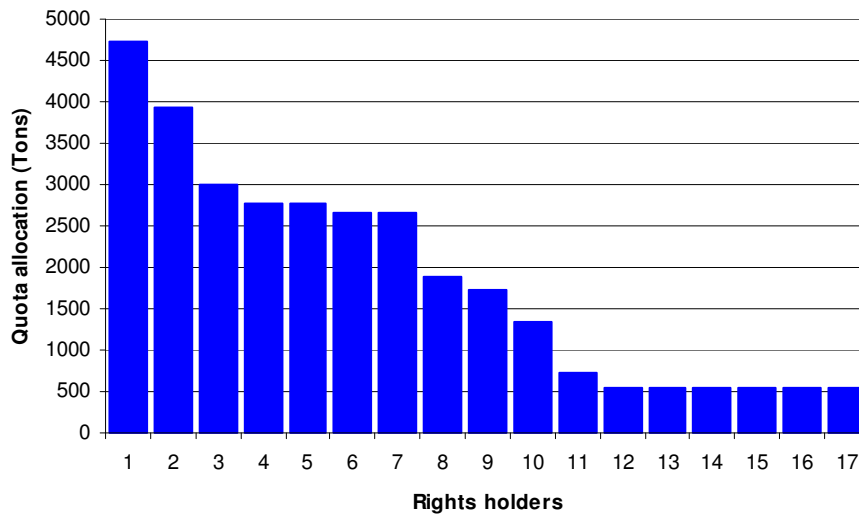
All the rights holders in the horse mackerel directed mid-water trawl fishery were proprietary limited companies. Fifty-nine percent of these companies could be classed as large to very large operations, with turnovers exceeding R10 million per annum. The rest were small to medium sized companies.

**Table 2.13.** Medium term rights holders in the South African mid-water fishery, and their horse mackerel quota allocation for 2003.

RIGHTS HOLDER	2003 Allocation (Tons)	RIGHTS HOLDER	2003 Allocation (Tons)
BLUE CONTINENT PRODUCTS(PTY) LTD *	3930	SACO FISHING PTY LTD*	2783
CALAMARI FISHING (PTY) LTD*†	542	SCENEMATIC FOURTEEN (PTY) LTD†	542
FERNPAR FISHING CO (PTY) LTD	1351	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION (PTY) LTD*	2777
FOOD CORP (PTY)LTD*	2668	SURMON FISHING PTY LTD*†	542
HANNASBAAI FISHING CO. (PTY) LTD	738	TRACHURUS FISHING PTY LTD*	2661
HENTIQ 3043 (PTY) Ltd†	542	TRESSO TRADING 282 (PTY) LTD†	542
IRVIN& JOHNSON LTD*	3001	VIKING FISHING CO PTY LTD*	4717
KLIPBANK VISSERYE PERSONEL (PTY) LTD†	542	VISKO SEA PRODUCTS PTY LTD*	1885
NTSHONALANGA FISHING PTY LTD*	1737	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31500</b>

\* Companies that also have offshore demersal hake trawl rights

† Companies that were new entrants in 2001



**Figure 2.14.** A comparison of rights holder quota allocations for horse mackerel in 2003, for the South African mid-water trawl fishery.

Due to the nature of participation in the fishery, it is virtually impossible to estimate the number of people permanently employed directly through mid-water trawling. Most of the mid-water trawl companies had rights and employed people in other fisheries, who were used to catch and/or process horse mackerel in an *Ad hoc* manner. The rest of the rights holders combined their quota on one large, foreign-flagged mid-water trawler.

### 2.4.2 Vessels

Until recently (2004), the only dedicated mid-water trawler in the fishery was the *Admiral Golovko*, a large (100 m, 5640 ton) Russian trawler, employing 85 crewmembers, of which about 16 were South African and the rest were Russian. The trawler was hired by Blue Continent Products (BCP), a wholly owned subsidiary of Oceana Fishing Ltd. The *Admiral Golovko* fished for eight horse mackerel rights holders, including BCP. The Oceana Group has recently bought in a new, Panama flagged mid-water trawler called the *Desert Diamond* (108 m, 7765 ton) through a subsidiary company called Desert Diamond Fishing (Pty) Ltd. This vessel has a crew of 90 members, most of which will be South African, and some will be women.

Although it was clearly stated in the mid-water trawl fishery policy published by the Department of Environmental affairs and Tourism in early 2005 that only one large mid-water trawl vessel would be allowed access to the fishery, an additional vessel was granted access in late 2005. The *White Shark* is owned and operated by Foodcorp (Pty) Ltd, under the Belize flag, and is the same size as the *Desert Diamond*.

Very large freezer vessels like the *Admiral Golovko*, *Desert Diamond* and the *White Shark* are required to fish the horse mackerel resource economically, as the value of the fish is very low, and they are highly nomadic. They occur in relatively small shoals, with the largest aggregations of adult horse mackerel occurring offshore along the south and east margins of the Agulhas Bank, requiring that the vessels have the ability to stay at sea for long periods, with the capacity to process and store large volumes of fish.

The demersal trawl vessels that sometimes drag mid-water trawl nets for horse mackerel are usually the larger freezer vessels active in the offshore hake fishery (Table 2.14). However, it is difficult to summarise the vessel type, as different vessels from the demersal trawler companies' fleet are used from year to year.

**Table 2.14.** Some of the vessels active in the horse mackerel mid-water trawl fishery in 2003.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
ADMIRAL GOLOVKO	RUS	100	5640	5152	1974	85	8	ATLAS SHIPPING CORPORATION
ROXANA BANK	RSA	90	2900	2517	1968	75	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
MFV SOKOLINOE	RSA	76	2555	1706	1969	80	1	SEVASTOPOL OCEAN FISHERIES ENTERPRISE
IRIS	RSA	63	1532	1678	1988	54	1	IRVIN & JOHNSON LIMITED
VERA MARINE	RSA	49	606	814	1967	34	1	L-V FISHING CO PTY LTD
MARIE CLAIRE	RSA	49	500	600	1977	42	1	MFV MARIE CLAIRE VESSEL CO PTY LTD
LINCOLN	RSA	43	414	955	1961	23	1	PAT- KING FISHING COMPANY(PTY) LTD
HARVEST GARDENIA	RSA	38	526	866	1986	23	1	SEA HARVEST CORPORATION LTD

There are no dedicated, land-based horse mackerel processing operations, as most of the processing is carried out on board the fishing vessels. In 2003, the bulk of the fish caught by the *Admiral Golovko* was processed and frozen on board, and then transhipped and exported to Central and West Africa. Some by-catch was landed for local processing. Most of the other vessels in the fishery process and freeze the horse mackerel at sea as well, although Viking Fishing lands and processes some horse mackerel in Mossel Bay. The rest of the fleet operates out of Cape Town.

It is unlikely that the mid-water trawl fishery provides direct, permanent employment for more than between 200 to 250 South Africans, including vessel crewmembers.

## 2.5 West coast rock lobster

The cape or west coast rock lobster (*Jasus lalandii*) occurs inshore (<200 m depth) along the coast of southern Africa, from Walvis Bay in Namibia to East London in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa. Although previously caught for bait, the species was first fished commercially in South Africa in the late 1880's. The commercial fishery is based on the west coast, from Port Nolloth in the Northern Cape Province to Gansbaai on the south coast the Western Cape Province. Traditionally, small rowing boats were used to deploy baited, hand-hauled hoop-nets. This method is still used in the commercial fishery, although rigid traps were introduced in the 1970's, which were deployed from larger vessels that could target the resource further offshore.

The fishery grew steadily, and by the 1950's catches had increased to an average of about 14,000 tons per year. The first signs that the resource had been over-fished were apparent in the late 1960's when catches began to decline. This trend continued through the 1970's and early 1980's, even though catch effort was increased through the introduction of the larger, more powerful vessels using rigid-trap technology.

An attempt to manage the fishery through the allocation of tail-mass production quotas was first made in 1946. However, the allocations were based on the performance of the fishery in

the previous season, and ineffective as a management tool. The first Total Allowable Catch (TAC) was set at a precautionary 4000 tons of landed, whole-mass lobster in 1983, and this restored some stability to the resource. During the same period, the fishery was divided up into zones and areas, and zone-specific quotas were allocated. Other controls introduced included minimum size limits, a closed season, and a ban on harvesting moulting lobsters and berried (egg bearing) females. A bag limit was also introduced to limit recreational catches by free divers.

By the end of the 1991 season, it was clear that catch rates had begun to decrease once again, and the TAC was steadily revised downwards, until it reached a low of 1500 tons in 1995. This decrease was not just because of over fishing; environmental conditions caused the natural growth rate of the west coast rock lobsters to decrease substantially, which led to a concomitant decrease in recruitment (the number of young lobsters of the right size entering the fishery). Since then, the resource has been on the rebound, with a TAC of more than 2600 tons allocated for the 2004 – 2005 season.

### 2.5.1 Rights holders

In 1998, the west coast rock lobster fishery was split into commercial and subsistence quota holders, and the recreational sector. Medium term rights were allocated in 2001, to “full commercial” and “limited commercial” (ex- subsistence) rights holders, also described as the offshore and nearshore commercial fisheries, respectively. The offshore rights holders receive quota allocations greater than 1500 tons, and are allowed to use trap boats and rigid traps. The inshore rights holders receive quota less than 1500 tons, and are restricted to the use of hoop-nets. In 1992, there were 39 commercial rights holders in the fishery; after the medium term rights allocation in 2001, the west coast lobster resource was apportioned between 234 offshore commercial and 511 nearshore limited commercial right-holders. The amount of the TAC allocated to each sector was split 80% and 20% respectively, based on the approximate percent of the rock lobster biomass occurring inshore and offshore. Since then, an additional 230 tons of rock lobster have been made available in a new fishing zone, along the Western Cape south coast, east of Cape Hangklip. Another 274, nearshore limited commercial rights holders have been granted access to this resource.

Under the ambit of the present study, this report will concentrate on the “full commercial” or offshore sector of the South African west coast rock lobster fishery, while taking cognizance of the role played by the inshore rights holders in the fishery. The full commercial rights holders are presented in Table 2.15. The allocated amounts are not evenly distributed amongst the rights holders, favouring the historical quota holders, as shown in Figure 2.15.

**Table 2.15.** Medium term, full commercial rights holders in the South African west coast rock lobster fishery, and their quota allocations for the 2003 – 2004 fishing season.

RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)	RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)
A.A FISHING CC	3041	KLEIN OPSTAAN VISSERYE BK	8073
ABBA LANGEBAAN FISHING BK	8470	KOMICX PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD	7947
ABREAU FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	3575	KONSORTIUM KREEFBELANGE (PTY) LTD	37524
ACTIVEST TWENTY (PTY) LTD	15204	KREEFBAAI VISSERYE CC	7784
AFRICA' S BEST 249 LTD	3041	KUSASA COMMODITIES 245 (PTY) LTD	3041
AFRICA' S BEST 250 LTD	3041	KUSASA COMMODITIES 63 (PTY) LTD	6836
AGRELA FISHING (PTY) LTD	2781	KWENANE R	2928
AIR FRESH FISHERIES CC	3041	LAAGGETY VISSERYE BK	3041
ALGEMENE VISSERS NO 2 (PTY) LTD	9012	LAINGVILLE FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	3041

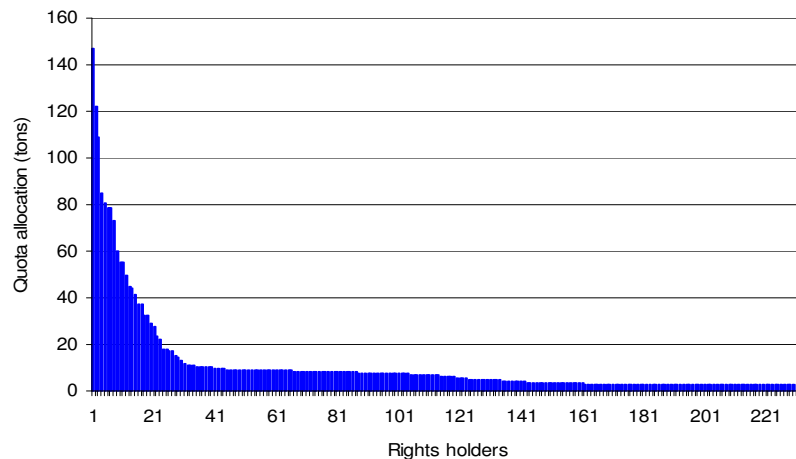
RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)	RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)
ALPHA VISSERYE (Edms) Bpk	9012	LAMBERTS BAY FISHING Co (PTY) LTD	108779
AMANDLA ABASEBENZI (PTY) LTD	7132	LANGKLIP SEEPRODUKTE (Edms) Bpk	7642
AMAQOBELA FISHING (PTY) LTD	3041	LATIEF ALBERTYN FISHERIES CC	6677
ANG JERRY FISHING CC	8783	LIVE ROCK LOBSTER CORPORATION (PTY) LTD	17533
ANGELICO SM	3503	LOBSTER ISLAND FISHING (PTY) LTD	32100
ARRIES J	3724	LOUWENIANS FISHING CC	8216
ARROWLINE FOURTEEN CC	3041	LOUW'S FISHING CC	7060
ASKALA VISSERYE BK	8651	MAFUKUZELA FISHING (PTY) LTD	8942
ATLANTIC FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	9248	MALANDE FISHING CC	8001
BAFIAANSBERG (EDMS) BPK	9012	MALGAS VISSERYE BK	9012
BATO STAR FISHING (PTY) LTD	9738	MARION DAWN FISHING CC	4876
BATSILVA CC	5541	MASCONI E	2495
BIZ AFRICA 32 (PTY) LTD	8362	MIYA'S FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	8723
BIZ AFRIKA 655 (PTY) LTD	3041	MTSHAU FISHING CC	8579
BLUEFIN HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD	8827	MUDGE POINT FISHING CC	3041
BOAT ROCK FISHING CC	3041	MULLINS FISHING CC	4733
BOBBEJAANBERG VISSERYE BK	9016	NAMAQUA FISHING COMPANY LTD	37320
BODENSTEIN CP	3214	NATI SI NAKO FISHING CC	4930
BONGOLETHU FISHING ENTERPRISES	3041	NETRING FISHING (PTY) LTD	9572
BOVENTREK BELIOGGINGS (PTY) LTD	9984	NEW DISTRICT SIX FISHING (PTY) LTD	5751
BRIDGER & ANGELICO FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	21903	NGXIKI FISHING CC	3041
BUBESI FISHING (PTY) LTD	3041	NOGIE KLARIE FISHING CC	4858
BUFFELJAGS MARINE DEVELOPMENT TRUST	3041	NOORDBAAI VISSERS LTD	3041
BUFFELSJAG ABALONERS CC	3041	NORTH BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD	121937
C R ADAMS FISHING CC	4299	NTABEMEMBA FISHING CC	3041
CALVIN VISSERYE CC	6014	OCEAN VIEW FISHING CC	7060
CAPE REEF PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD	17735	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHING (PTY) LTD	8507
CAPTAINS FISHING CC	3041	OLYMPIA FISHING CC	8723
CHANGING TIDES 113 (PTY) LTD	59850	OVERBERG COMMERCIAL ABALONE DIVERS	3041
CHAPMANS PEAK FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	49319	OVERSTRAND MARINE CC	3041
CJW VAN ZYL BELEGGINGS (PTY) LTD	10080	PATERNOSTER VISSERYE Bpk	55454
COAST TRADING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	55373	PENGUIN VISSERYE BK	7038
COMPMATIX FIVE (PTY) LTD	3719	PENINSULA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	10623
CSM FISHING CC	8365	PESCE SMOKERS CC	4155
DADDYS MONEY (PTY) LTD	5281	PIKE ROCK FISHING CORPORATION CC	8723
DAVY'S FISHERIES	8001	PIMPANO SIXTEEN (PTY) LTD	3719
DENBURG FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	9882	PIMPANO TWENTY (PTY) LTD	3214
DESEEDA SEEPRODUKTE (EDMS) BPK	8389	PLETTENBERG BAY FISHING (PTY) LTD	7658
DEWMIST INVESTMENTS CC	4250	PORT NOLLOTH FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	11140
DOCMATRIX ELEVEN (PTY) LTD	3894	PREMIER FISHING (PTY) LTD	41652
DOCMATRIX FOURTEEN (PTY) LTD	2925	QUAYSIDE FISH SUPPLIERS (CAPE) (PTY) LTD	10583
DOLFYN VISSERYE BK (was VAUGHAN JA)	8362	R.J.A FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	3041
DORINGBAAI VISSERYE BK	4352	RAAAF FISHERIES CC	3041
DORMAKORP VIER (EDMS) BPK	3503	RAZORBILL PROPERTIES 248 LTD	3041
DROMEDARIS VISSERYE BPK	78551	RD SUMMERS FISHERIES 248 LTD	7349
Du PREEZ FISHING (PTY) LTD	4352	REID DE	2206
DYER EILAND VISERYE BK	4086	ROCKY BANK FISHING CC	3004
EASY CHOICE TWELVE (PTY) LTD	2997	ROMANSBAAI VISSERYE BPK	3041
EC WASSERFALL FISHING CC	10445	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD	146565



RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)	RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)
ELAPA VISPRODUCKTE BPK	8769	SAFRIKA FISHING CC	5075
ERONGO FISHING (PTY) LTD	8001	SALDANHA BAY CANNING CONNING (PTY) LTD	28759
EZINTLANZINI FISHING (PTY) LTD	6210	SANCHO FISHING (PTY) LTD	2337
EZOLWANDLE FISHING (PTY) LTD	7567	SARDINAS BK	7618
F.G FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	3041	SAUL CLOETE & VENNOTE (PTY) LTD	7349
FANTIQUE TRADE 486 CC	4568	SCENEMATIC FOURTEEN (PTY) LTD	43878
FERRO FISHING (PTY) LTD	4507	SCOTSHE KLOOF FISHERY CC	8507
FISHERMENS MOVEMENT CC	5075	SEA HAVEN HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD	3041
FJJ BRAND FISHING (PTY) LTD	3041	SEA POINT FISHING CC	3041
FOODCORP (PTY) LTD	85081	SEAWEED FISHERIES CC	7277
FRICEBA FISHING (PTY) LTD	2781	SEBIEN A	2538
FRIEDMAN & RABINOWITZ (PTY) LTD	27907	SEDERZEE VISSERYE BK	5798
FULL DECK INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	9086	SENTINEL SEA FOODS (PTY) LTD	13218
GEELBEK VISSERYE CC	8147	SEWESTER SEEPRODUKTE BK	7618
GIBBISEPS VISSERYE (EDMS) BPK	3041	SIBANGE FISHING (PTY) LTD	3503
GJ. ALFRED ONDERNEMINGS CC	3041	SIBANYE FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	10427
GOMES FISHING (PTY) LTD	5075	SIKHULULE FISHING	3041
GOOD HOPE FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	17693	SILWER VISSERYE BK (was VAUGHAN JOHANNA)	2929
GOURMENT FISH PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD	10695	SIMON'S TOWN FISHERIES CC	8362
GREY COTTAGES INVESTMENTS LTD	3041	SIR LOWRY'S PASS VISSERYE	9012
GREYS MARINE CC	6211	SIYAKHA FISHING CC	7784
H H LEVENDAL FISHING CC	4352	SIYAZAKHA FISHING CC	3041
HARBOUR LIGHTS (KALK BAY) (PTY) LTD	23722	SLH FISHERS LTD	9087
HARRY COTTLE FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	8507	SOETWATER FISHING CC	3041
HAWSTON ABALONE DIVERS (PTY) LTD	3041	SA COMMERCIAL FISHERMENS CORP. (PTY) LTD	80393
HAWSTON SEAFARMS FOUNDATION	3041	SPARKOR (PTY) LTD	17445
HAWSTON VISSERS MAASKAPPY	3041	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LTD	32476
HELDERBERG KOMMERSIELE VISSERMANS VERENIGING	7712	STEPHAN ROCK LOBSTER PACKERS (PTY) LTD	72990
HENBASE 2655 CC	9012	STERNESIDE FISHING CC	3133
HENQUE 3137 CC	3041	SUIDE-ORANJE VISSERYE (PTY) LTD	14553
HENTIQ 2349 (PTY) LTD	8723	SUNSET FISHING CC	3568
HICKSONS FISHING COMPANY LTD	10734	T & N VISSERYE BK	8001
HOUT BAY FISHERMENS WIDOW ASSOCIATION	6967	TAKALANI FISHING CC	3041
I FORTUNE & CREW (PTY) LTD	10171	TARIDOR FIVE CC	6988
IBHOTIVE FISHING (PTY) LTD	2925	THANDANI FISHERIES CC	7567
IBHOTWE FISHING (PTY) LTD	2880	THE TUNA HAKE FISHING CORPORATION LTD	3041
IKWEZI FISHING (PTY) LTD	3041	THREE COINS FISHING CC	2924
IMIFUNO FISHING (PTY) LTD	3655	TIGER REEF FISHING CC	3763
INDLOVU FISHING (PTY) LTD	3430	TOMREN CTA 427 FISHING NO 1 CC	3041
INKOSI KETA MARINE (PTY) LTD	3041	TRADE FACTOR FIFTEEN (PTY) LTD	3430
INTABA FISHING (PTY) LTD	3503	TRAKPROPS 22 (PTY) LTD	3041
INTER NATION TRADERS (PTY) LTD	6842	TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC	3041
INTERACTIVE TRADING 45 (PTY) LTD	3041	TUNA MARINE (PTY) LTD	7567
INTLANZI FISHING (PTY) LTD	3041	UKULIMA FISHING (PTY) LTD	3430
INYANGA FISHING (PTY) LTD	3503	UMFONDINI FISHING (PTY) LTD	3041
ITHUBA FISHING (PTY) LTD	8942	UMOYA FISHING (PTY) LTD	44826
J & J VISSERYE BPK	3041	UMZAMANI FISHING BK	11900



RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)	RIGHTS HOLDER	QUOTA (kg)
J ENGELBRECHT VISSERYE BK	8579	UNITRADE 947 (PTY) LTD	3041
JAFFA'S BAY FISHING CC	7471	UTHANDO FISHING (PTY) LTD	2925
JESSICA FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	9160	VAUGHAN A	6655
JJ da MATA & SONS FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD	7369	VESTWORX THIRTEEN (PTY) LTD	6211
JOC FISHING CC	5036	VISWATER VISSERMAN TRUST	7567
JOHN OVENSTONE LTD	78302	WALPAT SEA PRODUCTS (PTY) LTD	5881
JOHN QUALITY PRODUCTS LTD	7928	WALTERS EFH	2493
JULIES NICOLAAS	3434	WEST COAST FISHERMAN & WORKERS CO. (PTY) LTD	3041
KALK BAY MANNE FISHERS (PTY) LTD	4803	WICHMAN PETER ANDREW	3041
KALK BAY PIONEERS (PTY) LTD	3041	YORK POINT FISHERIES CC	3041
KARBONKELBERG MARINE CC	9160	YOUNG VM	8579
KHOISAN FISHING CC	8001	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,613,750</b>



**Figure 2.15.** A comparison of full commercial (offshore) rights holder quota allocations for the South African west coast rock lobster fishery in 2003.

Five full commercial rights holders were based in the Northern Cape Province at Port Nolloth. One rights holder was from the Eastern Cape, while the rest (228 rights holders) were based in the Western Cape Province. Sixty percent of the rights holding entities were proprietary limited companies, 33% were closed corporations and 2% were trusts. Individuals made up 13% of the full commercial rights holders, as opposed to the limited commercial rights holders, of which most (88%) were individuals.

Only 12% of the full commercial rights holders were large or very large companies, in terms of annual turnover. About a third were medium-sized enterprises (R1 – 10 million turnover per annum) whilst the rest (66%) were small operations, turning over less than R1 million in a year.

From a recent survey that covered approximately 67% of the full commercial west coast rock lobster rights holders, it appears that 48% of the rights holders employed less than 10 people; 40% employed 10 – 100 workers, and 12% had more than 100 employees. Two very large companies employed more than 5500 people between them (ETC'2004). It is very difficult to estimate the number of people earning a living from the full commercial rock

lobster fishery alone, as the small amount of quota allocated to the majority of the rights holders, and the seasonal nature of the fishery means that a large percent of the work force needs alternate sources of income during the year. Marine & Coastal Management estimates that approximately 2000 people are employed in shored-based activities (mainly processing) in the fishery, with a further 2500 employed as fishing crew.

### 2.5.2 Vessels

It is difficult to obtain a firm number for the vessels operating in the full commercial, offshore rock lobster fishery. In theory, this number should be limited to the larger vessels (>10 m in length) that deploy rigid traps. In practise, a range of vessels is used to deploy both traps and hoop-nets to catch the rights holders' quota. Some vessels apparently catch rock lobster for both offshore and inshore quota holders. These issues will be addressed during the long-term allocation of offshore west coast rock lobster rights, currently (2005) under way in South Africa. Table 2.16 lists the vessels that were nominated to fish for west coast rock lobster by the successful full commercial, medium term (2001 – 2005) rights holders in the fishery. The size categories into which the fleet can be divided are shown in Figure 2.16.

**Table 2.16.** Vessels nominated by medium term, full commercial rights holders in the west coast rock lobster fishery (sorted by vessel length).

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
HAI LIM 38	RSA	26	114	525	1994	6	1	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD
LEEUKOP	RSA	24	96	254	1963	16	1	PORT NOLLOTH FISHERIES PTY LTD
SEA PRIDE II	RSA	24	99	---	1967	20	1	SEA PRIDE FISHING CC
PORTUNITY	RSA	22	166	537	1966	12	1	YELLOW STAR TRADING 1022 LTD
SOUTHERN TIGER	RSA	22	72	240	1944	20	1	BAYANA BAYANA FISHING CC
MALAGAS 2	RSA	21	97	315	1968	22	1	KENTUCKY FISHING CC
PAKAMANI	RSA	21	117	330	1962	25	1	PAKAMANI FISHING PTY LTD
PENKOP TWO	RSA	21	98	309	1965	20	1	MONIZ FISHERIES (PTY) LTD
SEAN PAQUETTO 3	RSA	21	80	---	1998	21	1	BLUE POINTER TRADING 104 (PTY) LTD
ALASKA	RSA	20	68	---	1964	18	1	ALASKA FISHING CC
ARIZONA	RSA	20	75	385	1950	24	2	INTLANZI FISHING PTY LTD
KARIBA	RSA	20	72	275	1959	16	1	SILVA FISHING ENTERPRISE CC
KIRSTENBERG	RSA	20	64	---	1998	17	1	MASIZAKHE FISHING COOP LTD
MONNICKENDAM	RSA	20	91	425	1962	23	1	BLUE VENTURE FISHING PTY LTD
NICOLETTE	RSA	20	83	350	1965	20	1	BROSS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD
PAUL	RSA	20	88	425	1962	16	1	BATSATA FISHING PTY LTD
TRUDY MARLENE	RSA	20	68	253	1964	23	1	VM YOUNG VISSERYE CC
WESKUS ONE	RSA	20	66	255	1965	18	1	JORGE DE OLIM FISHING CC
WESTERDAM	RSA	20	67	250	1960	17	1	MFV WESTERDAM CC
ABE SHAPIRO	RSA	19	65	---	1968	15	1	SOLIPROPS 1083 CC
CHRISTIE SUE	RSA	19	73	240	1962	18	1	MANUEL DE OLIM FISHING CC
GIRL JUDITH	RSA	19	59	190	1957	34	1	NAMAQUA FISHING COMPANY LTD
NEW MEXICO	RSA	19	75	272	1958	18	1	NEW MEXICO CC
SOUTH WEST HERON	RSA	19	45	142	1953	16	1	EASY CHOICE TWELVE (PTY) LTD
ZILDORA	RSA	19	70	251	1964	18	1	MFV ZILDORA VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
BLOUGANS	RSA	18	66	400	1963	23	1	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
LEINSAAT	RSA	18	61	425	1963	20	1	BATSATA FISHING PTY LTD
OCEANA HARRIER	RSA	18	68	260	1957	10	2	OCEANA GROUP LIMITED
SILVER FERN	RSA	18	32	205	1952	14	1	JJ DA MATA & SONS FISHING CO PTY LTD
SILVERFISH	RSA	18	61	224	1958	10	2	OCEANA GROUP LIMITED
VALHALLA	RSA	18	57	217	1955	15	1	JOENARDO FISHING CC
VLAEBERG	RSA	18	42	205	1952	16	1	JJ DA MATA & SONS FISHING CO PTY LTD
CYRIL BURREL	RSA	17	47	180	1958	18	1	DEWMIST INVESTMENTS CC
DAVID LURIE	RSA	17	44	---	1999	9	1	LAING VILLE FISHERIES
STATENDAM	RSA	17	38	160	1951	8	6	MFV STATENDAM VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
TINA	RSA	17	53	215	1980	15	1	JOENARDO FISHING CC
ALISTAIR	RSA	16	50	130	1958	10	2	ALPHA VISSERYE EDMS BPK
ANNA	RSA	16	41	108	1964	26	1	NORTH BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
BRESSA	RSA	16	43	200	1951	12	1	BRIDGER & ANGELICO FISHERIES (PTY) LTD
CHRIS TRAUTMAN	RSA	16	47	150	1957	12	2	TRAUTMAN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
JOHN BARBERY	RSA	16	49	108	1955	29	1	NORTH BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
KINGKLIP	RSA	16	44	199	1948	15	1	SIBANGE FISHING (PTY) LTD
LESLEY J	RSA	16	41	108	1963	16	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
MARTIN J	RSA	16	41	108	1963	7	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
NEWLANDS	RSA	16	31	180	1948	10	5	SOLANGA FISHING PTY LTD
OUMA	RSA	16	51	240	1959	15	2	VIRISSMO FISHING (PTY) LTD
PLETTENBERG	RSA	16	38	---	1952	12	1	GOMES FISHING (PTY) LTD
ROSALYN JOY	RSA	16	---	300	1952	11	2	E & S FISHING
SOUTH WEST GANNET	RSA	16	46	250	1956	16	1	BATSILVA CC
SPES NOVA	RSA	16	45	261	1954	15	3	TRADE FACTOR FIFTEEN (PTY) LTD
ANTOINETTE	RSA	15	39	138	1955	12	2	BALELO PTY LTD
ARCHER	RSA	15	42	145	1952	16	1	FERRO FISHING PTY LTD
GENOA	RSA	15	39	125	1954	16	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
JADE	RSA	15	41	130	1987	26	1	ROGER THOMAS HOOKE
JAMES KAIZER	RSA	15	43	86	1962	10	1	SA COMMERCIAL FISHERMENS CORP
JONATHAN	RSA	15	33	224	1968	12	1	JOC FISHING CC
PAULINE BRIDGET	RSA	15	42	82	1953	16	1	CAPENSIS FISHING (PTY) LTD
PAULSBERG	RSA	15	30	86	1978	12	1	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
SOUTH WEST PETREL	RSA	15	35	142	1951	13	1	AGOSTINHO DA SILVA FISHING (PTY) LTD
S. WEST CORMORANT	RSA	15	39	175	1948	10	1	DORMAKORP VIER (EDMS) BPK
SWARTBERG	RSA	15	<25	86	1978	10	4	SA SEA PRODUCTS LTD
TOMREN	RSA	15	29	112	1946	12	1	JOHNNY PEDRO FERREIRA
UMFONDINI	RSA	15	50	230	1997	20	4	UMFONDINI FISHING (PTY) LTD
WILMAG	RSA	15	38	170	1950	10	2	TELO BROTHERS (PTY) LTD
ZAY-YAAN	RSA	15	47	165	1997	20	1	TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC
ANESTA	RSA	14	<25	125	1954	8	2	MULLINS FISHING CC
ANG JERRY	RSA	14	<25	---	1957	15	3	ANG JERRY FISHING CC
ATLANTIC OCEAN	RSA	14	<25	101	1960	8	7	MFV ATLANTIC OCEAN VESSEL CO (PTY) LTD
BABY RONALD	RSA	14	29	180	1936	8	1	ROMANSBAAI VISSERYE BPK
BENYAMI	RSA	14	<25	86	1980	6	2	NORTH BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
BEVERLYN	RSA	14	<25	---	---	12	1	GUIZEPPINA DI GIORGIO
DEUS TE AJUDE	RSA	14	<25	120	1951	8	6	MFV DEUS TE AJUDE VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
EL PESCADOR	RSA	14	<25	160	1955	10	1	PLUSCOR FIVE (PTY) LTD
GRYSBOK	RSA	14	<25	97	1993	10	6	HICKSONS FISHING COMPANY LTD
HIRAM	RSA	14	<25	86	1980	6	2	NORTH BAY FISHING COMPANY LTD
IVY DOREEN	RSA	14	<25	---	1960	18	2	JAFFA'S BAY FISHING CC
JENNY ANNE	RSA	14	<25	135	1952	8	4	MFV JENNY ANNE VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD
MAINE	RSA	14	<25	105	1974	10	3	PREMIER FISHING SA PTY LTD
POTBERG	RSA	14	<25	86	1977	12	1	S A SEA PRODUCTS & CAPE FISH PROCESS
SIBANYE	RSA	14	<25	120	1999	8	3	SIBANYE FISHING COMPANY PTY LTD
SOUTHERN HORIZON	RSA	14	<25	140	1990	10	5	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
ST ANNE	RSA	14	<25	---	1956	12	1	KALK BAY MANNE FISHERS (PTY) LTD
SUDWEST	RSA	14	<25	---	1950	12	1	COMPATIX TWENTY ONE (PTY) LTD
TICKEY	RSA	14	<25	134	1949	15	1	KARBONKELBERG MARINE CC
VELOMA	RSA	14	<25	150	1939	7	1	CANOA FISHING PTY LTD
VUKANI	RSA	14	<25	134	2000	17	4	NGONYAMA FISHING PTY LTD
ROOIGOUD	RSA	13.85	<25	---	1987	6	1	NAMAQUA FISHING COMPANY LTD
BOA VIGEM	RSA	13	<25	---	1952	12	1	BOAVIGEM
BOLAND	RSA	13	<25	90	1998	6	1	CHANGING TIDES 113 (PTY) LTD
DELMAY	RSA	13	<25	---	1987	9	1	DE SILVA, J & PARTNER
FREDA R	RSA	13	38	---	1947	6	2	VESTRIX SEVENTEEN (PTY) LTD
IMPALA	RSA	13	<25	98	1948	10	3	IMPALA FISHING PTY LTD
INTREPID	RSA	13	45	177	2000	6	1	ERONGO FISHING CC
MISS ITALY	RSA	13	<25	96	1947	14	1	ALGEMENE VISSERS 2 PTY LTD
MODERN MAID	RSA	13	<25	---	1989	6	1	REBELO FISHING
SEA POINT	RSA	13	<25	---	1999	8	1	DROMEDARIS VISSERYE BEPERK
SEAGULL	RSA	13	<25	60	1948	12	2	ACTIVEST TWENTY-TWO (PTY) LTD
SILVER LEADER	RSA	13	<25	125	1997	10	5	BLUE HORIZON FISHING (PTY) LTD
STAR OF THE SEA	RSA	13	<25	195	1961	14	3	MARION DAWN FISHING CC
ALBERLEZE	RSA	12	<25	---	1961	6	5	MFV ALBERLEZE VESSEL COMPANY PTY LTD
BLOUDAM	RSA	12	<25	125	1979	6	5	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
BOESMANLAND	RSA	12	<25	90	1989	6	1	CHANGING TIDES 113 (PTY) LTD
DEBNAL	RSA	12	<25	---	1991	12	1	NORTH BLINDER PTY LTD
EDDIE VAN DYK	RSA	12	<25	---	1988	12	3	PATERNOSTER VISSERYE BPK
FLAMINGO	RSA	12	<25	98	1945	12	1	WICHMAN PETER ANDREW
IRMA	RSA	12	<25	81	1977	5	2	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LIMITED
JO ANN	RSA	12	40	84	1981	6	2	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
JOE DOE	RSA	12	<25	---	1980	12	2	PATERNOSTER VISSERYE BPK
LORRAINE	RSA	12	<25	180	1997	17	1	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD
MARGUERITE	RSA	12	<25	---	1981	6	3	TRADE FACTOR TWELVE (PTY) LTD
MARION DAWN	RSA	12	<25	195	1960	14	2	MARION DAWN FISHING CC
STEENBRASDAM	RSA	12	<25	125	1982	6	5	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
TAJ MAHAAL	RSA	12	<25	125	1997	15	2	I. FORTUNE AND CREW (PTY) LTD
TAMARA	RSA	12	<25	81	1983	5	5	ST HELENA BAY FISHING INDUSTRIES LTD

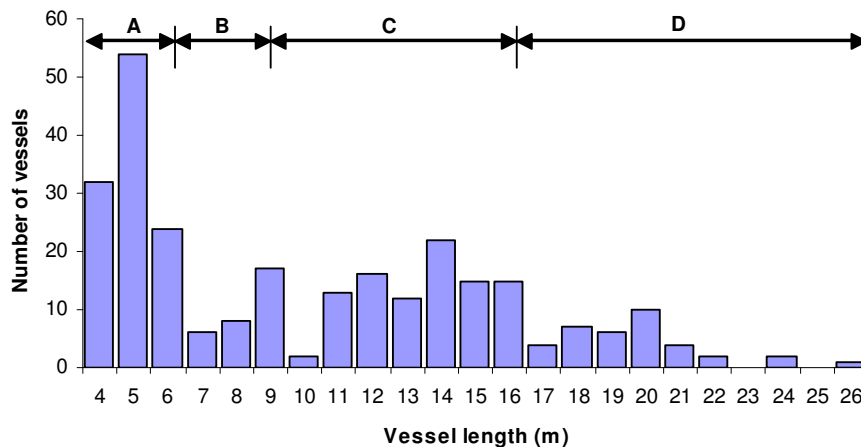
Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
WELGEMOED	RSA	12	<25	190	1948	6	5	MFV WELGEMOED VESSEL CO. (PTY) LTD
ALANA	RSA	11	<25	120	1973	6	2	CALVIN VISSERYE BK
DABULA MANZI	RSA	11	<25	240	1972	5	1	UMZAMANI FISHING CC
ELAND	RSA	11	<25	200	1978	12	3	TUSCAN MOOD 289 (PTY) LTD
JACOBS V	RSA	11	<25	---	1980	5	1	SCENEMATIC TWELVE (PTY) LTD
JAKKIE V	RSA	11	<25	75	1980	4	2	ELANDIA VISSERYE BK
MARIA LUISA	RSA	11	<25	---	1988	12	1	LATERS MMA
MARLENA	RSA	11	<25	115	1978	12	2	INKOSI KETA MARINE PTY LTD
MARLINA	RSA	11	<25	153	1978	10	2	TARIDOR FIVE CC
NOMMER SEWE	RSA	11	<25	80	1978	6	1	NOMMER SEWE BOOTBELANG (PTY) LTD
NUWELAND	RSA	11	<25	80	1970	4	1	BAFIAANSBERG (EDMS) BPK
OUBOETA	RSA	11	<25	125	1994	10	1	CSM FISHING (PTY) LTD
PENNY	RSA	11	<25	---	1986	11	1	A VAUGHAN
THREE COINS	RSA	10	<25	---	1977	10	1	J A VAUGHAN
WESTERN DEBBIE	RSA	10	36	91	1980	12	1	SIR LOWRY'S PASS FISHERIES
ABRAHAM K	RSA	9	<25	85	1975	9	2	LOUW'S FISHING CC
ALRA	RSA	9	<25	100	1970	14	1	TAKALANI FISHING CC
ASKALA	RSA	9	<25	---	1980	10	1	ASKALA FISHING CC
BENMAR H	RSA	9	<25	110	1980	10	1	J HORN
CHRISTA	RSA	9	<25	65	1975	9	1	LAMBERTSBAY FISHING
GYS B	RSA	9	<25	---	1985	6	1	HENBASE 2655 CC
INKALA	RSA	9	<25	53	1980	6	2	PATERNOSTER VISSERYE BPK
JAPIE	RSA	9	<25	---	1999	6	1	HENTIQ 2349 (PTY) LTD
JIDY AYM	RSA	9	<25	---	1986	11	1	SKOTSHE KLOOF FISHERY CC
MALGAS	RSA	9	<25	120	1977	10	1	MALGAS VISSERYE BK
MARY JANE	RSA	9	<25	120	1998	5	1	GJ ALFRED ONDERNEMINGS EDMS BPK
MILLIE	RSA	9	<25	---	1978	6	1	TIGER REEF FISHING CC
NICO S	RSA	9	<25	---	1980	16	1	SA COMMERCIAL FISHERMENS CORP
OOM MAANS	RSA	9	<25	58	1975	10	1	NOORDBAY FISHERMEN CO-OP
PONDO	RSA	9	<25	---	1980	5	1	PENINSULA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
POPPIE TOL	RSA	9	<25	80	1980	10	1	DJ LAUBSCHER
SPIKES	RSA	9	<25	80	1970	10	1	KAMFER D
EVA ADF234KB	RSA	8	<25	---	1980	4	1	DAVID VOLLENHOVEN
FAHREN F	RSA	8	<25	300	1995	10	1	MUDGE POINT FISHING CC
JENNY	RSA	8	<25	85	1974	7	1	MAASDORP IC
MASIPHUMELELE	RSA	8	<25	140	1999	14	1	KOMICX PRODUCTS PTY LTD
MOONRAKER	RSA	8	<25	---	1992	10	1	CP BODENSTEIN
SWIFT 2000	RSA	8	<25	180	2000	8	2	RELMAR INVESTMENTS PTY LTD
WATERBERG	RSA	8	<25	---	1985	8	1	PAJ VAN STADEN
AMA C204	RSA	7	<25	180	1986	7	2	JGJ OTTO
MOBY DICK TWO	RSA	7	<25	230	1981	8	2	D M GILLION
TROMPIE II	RSA	7	<25	180	1987	7	2	JW HENN
VA-TI-KA-KI	RSA	7	<25	180	1982	8	1	DYER EILAND VISSERYE (PTY) LTD
WAGGIES	RSA	7	<25	400	1988	9	1	ANDRE NAGENER

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
WARLORD	RSA	7	<25	---	1988	10	1	GEELBEK VISSERYE
ASTRID	RSA	6	<25	170	1985	8	1	FRANK SYME
BELLARIA	RSA	6	<25	---	1981	5	1	GH GILLION
BLUEFIN	RSA	6	<25	23	1990	6	2	COMBINED ABALONE PROCESSORS PTY LTD
CHRISTENE W	RSA	6	<25	---	1989	6	1	CAPTAINS FISHING CC
DE JAPIE	RSA	6	<25	170	1994	6	1	SJ GROENEWALD
FURNANDY	RSA	6	<25	---	1986	6	1	FJ HENN
GERDA N	RSA	6	<25	---	1965	5	1	NICOLAAS JULIES
KIKA	RSA	6	<25	---	1992	5	1	RAAFF DIVE OPERATIONS CC
LUCIA ANN	RSA	6	<25	170	1994	6	2	C SWARTZ
MARIAH	RSA	6	<25	180	1986	6	2	EUGENE LE ROUX FAMILIE TRUST
MIDNITE	RSA	6	<25	180	1992	6	2	EUGENE LE ROUX FAMILIE TRUST
RENEE	RSA	6	<25	75	1970	6	1	BUFFELJACHT COMMUNITY FORUM
ROSEMARY	RSA	6	<25	120	1995	6	1	HAWSTON VISSERSMAATSKAPPY
SEA PEARL	RSA	6	<25	---	1992	6	1	CS MATODES
SEA PEARL TWO	RSA	6	<25	90	1992	6	1	MFV SEA PEARL TWO (PTY) LTD
SEEVALK	RSA	6	<25	170	1995	6	1	AIR FRESH FISHERIES CC
SOPHIA S	RSA	6	<25	180	1986	6	2	CW SWART
SPYDER	RSA	6	<25	170	1985	7	1	GAVEN CARLSE
ST VERN	RSA	6	<25	120	1982	5	2	STEPHEN JOHN MAREE
ST365	RSA	6	<25	---	---	2	1	MORESA VISVEREENIGING (PTY) LTD
ST4	RSA	6	<25	---	---	5	1	SOETWATER FISHING CC
STRANDWOLF	RSA	6	<25	---	1982	6	1	HELDERBERG KOMMERSELE VISSERMANS VERENIGING
UNITY	RSA	6	<25	---	1995	6	1	BOAT ROCK FISHING CC
ZANITER II	RSA	6	<25	---	1986	6	1	IS DU TOIT
ADELEMA	RSA	5	<25	120	1980	4	1	VALERIE BENEDICTTA HESS
AMBER	RSA	5	<25	---	1976	4	1	JONATHAN CHARLES BURGESS
BETHEL	RSA	5	<25	80	1987	5	2	DUDLEY GILLION
CARMEN	RSA	5	<25	120	1991	4	2	WJ FISHER
CHAD LEE	RSA	5	<25	---	1980	5	2	CR ADAMS FISHING CC
CHARLES GLASS	RSA	5	<25	180	1996	5	2	CHARLES FISHER
CLEO	RSA	5	<25	---	1985	4	2	CR KENNEDY
CONDOR	RSA	5	<25	---	1989	5	1	JOHN FREDERICK BAILLIE
CONSTANCE	RSA	5	<25	---	1975	4	1	WB PRINCE
DAG EN NAG	RSA	5	<25	---	1980	4	1	J M WESSELS
EARLYNN	RSA	5	<25	170	1992	5	2	JIP GILLION
IRMA C8	RSA	5	<25	---	1989	4	1	CHRISTOPHER JOHN FISHER
JACKPOT	RSA	5	<25	120	1992	5	1	BUFFELSJAG ABALONERS CC
JADE 2	RSA	5	<25	60	1985	4	2	AK GILLION
JANEEN	RSA	5	<25	120	1985	4	2	WJ OKKERS
JAY RENE	RSA	5	<25	---	1979	4	1	HJ DEES
JEANNETTA	RSA	5	<25	120	1986	4	2	HERBERT GERALD BAILEY
JOLEEN TOO	RSA	5	<25	---	1995	5	1	RONALD RICHARD HENDRICKS
LADY LUCK	RSA	5	<25	120	1986	5	2	JOSEPH JONATHAN PRINCE

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
LEA II	RSA	5	<25	120	1994	4	2	O ERWEE
LETITIA ANN	RSA	5	<25	120	1995	5	1	JT DUNSDON
LYDIA	RSA	5	<25	180	1992	5	1	C E P WINDVOGEL
MABEL	RSA	5	<25	---	1986	5	2	LCN DYNAARD
MADELEIN	RSA	5	<25	180	1991	5	2	ARTHUR SOLOMON KLEINSMIDT
MAGADELEEN	RSA	5	<25	---	1987	5	1	SWAIN H
MARIO	RSA	5	<25	120	1993	5	1	NICHOLAS MICKEA MARSHALL
MELISSA	RSA	5	<25	120	1995	5	1	HAWSTON VISSERSMAATSKAPPY
MORIA	RSA	5	<25	120	1988	4	1	TREVOR F GILLION
MYRNA LEE	RSA	5	<25	140	1969	4	1	BASIL A STEWART
NERO	RSA	5	<25	140	1994	4	2	JA NOWERS
NIKITA	RSA	5	<25	120	1995	5	1	HAWSTON VISSERSMAATSKAPPY
NVT	RSA	5	<25	---	1986	4	2	AJ DAY
PEARLY SHELL	RSA	5	<25	120	1995	5	1	HAWSTON VISSERSMAATSKAPPY
RACHELLE	RSA	5	<25	100	1992	4	2	GF SWARTZ
SEA PIRATE	RSA	5	<25	100	1991	4	2	PHILIP ABRAM DANIEL FIGAJI
SEA SWAN	RSA	5	<25	120	1987	4	2	DANIEL M GILLION
SHALOM	RSA	5	<25	170	1994	5	1	NATHANIEL N GILLION
SPOTTY	RSA	5	<25	---	1984	4	1	SIYAZAKHA FISHING CC
ST 365	RSA	5	<25	22	1983	2	1	MORESA VISVERENING PTY LTD
ST VALENTINE	RSA	5	<25	---	1992	5	1	E RAAFF
ST23	RSA	5	<25	---	1983	2	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
ST358	RSA	5	<25	---	1983	4	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
ST359	RSA	5	<25	---	1983	2	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
ST360	RSA	5	<25	---	1983	2	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
ST361	RSA	5	<25	---	1983	2	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
ST363	RSA	5	<25	---	1983	2	1	FOOD CORP (PTY) LTD
SUE-ANN	RSA	5	<25	80	1980	4	2	ANDRE PETER JOHNSON
TROMPIE I	RSA	5	<25	80	1984	5	1	MICHAEL WILLIAM HENN
TUNIS	RSA	5	<25	120	1985	5	2	DANIEL CHARLES MAREE
VIKING II	RSA	5	<25	120	1989	5	2	JM MAG FISHING CC
WENDY	RSA	5	<25	120	1982	4	2	NIGEL PATRICK MAREE
WILLIAM HENRY	RSA	5	<25	---	1998	5	1	H KRIEL
WOLFIE	RSA	5	<25	---	1995	5	1	AT FIGAJIE
ZULFA	RSA	5	<25	---	1987	2	1	F ALBERTYN
ADF252	RSA	4	<25	---	1985	3	1	THANDANI FISHERIES CC
ADF253	RSA	4	<25	---	1985	3	1	THANDANI FISHERIES CC
BEIDA	RSA	4	<25	40	1990		1	ANTHONY YUSUF
BOY BOY	RSA	4	<25	---	1990	4	1	EDMUND WOODWARD
CINDY	RSA	4	<25	50	1992	4	2	RB GILLION
DTS 2451E	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	AFRICAN MARINE PRODUCTS
J ARRIES	RSA	4	<25	---	1966	3	1	JACOB ARRIES
PEGGY	RSA	4	<25	---	---	4	1	SOETWATER FISHING CC
PNA 10KB	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK



Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
PNA 115KB	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK
PNA 16KB	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK
PNA 205KB	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK
PNA 222KB	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK
PNA 404KB	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK
PNA 568	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	FLORIS JOHANNES JACOBUS BRAND
PNA 569	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	FLORIS JOHANNES JACOBUS BRAND
PNA 570	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	FLORIS JOHANNES JACOBUS BRAND
PNA 571	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	FLORIS JOHANNES JACOBUS BRAND
PNA 579	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC
PNA 580	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC
PNA 581	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC
PNA 582	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC
PNA 583	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC
PNA 584K	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	OCEAN UKHOZI FISHERIES CC
PNA 587 K	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	3	1	T & N VISSERYE BK
PQ 1021	RSA	4	<25	---	1985	3	1	THANDANI FISHERIES CC
PQ 570	RSA	4	<25	---	---	3	1	DESEEDA SEA PRODUCTS
VIKING	RSA	4	<25	50	1970	4	2	MAREE LE ROUX FAMILIE TRUST
VR 41	RSA	4	<25	---	1985	3	1	THANDANI FISHERIES CC
VR 44	RSA	4	<25	---	1985	3	1	THANDANI FISHERIES CC
WIDOWS 1	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	4	1	HOUT BAY FISHERMANS WIDOWS ASSOCIATION
WIDOWS 2	RSA	4	<25	---	1998	4	1	HOUT BAY FISHERMANS WIDOWS ASSOCIATION



**Figure 2.16.** Length distribution of vessels in the full commercial west coast rock lobster fishing fleet, where size classes are: A = row boats, motorised dinghies and small ski-boats; B = large ski-boats and “chukkies”; C = small trap boats; D = Large trap boats.

Four distinct length modes could be discerned for the vessels fishing for rock lobster in 2003, depicted in Figure 2.16. The smallest craft in the fleet were 4 m rowing dinghies, from which hoop-nets are deployed. These dinghies operate close inshore, near to where they are

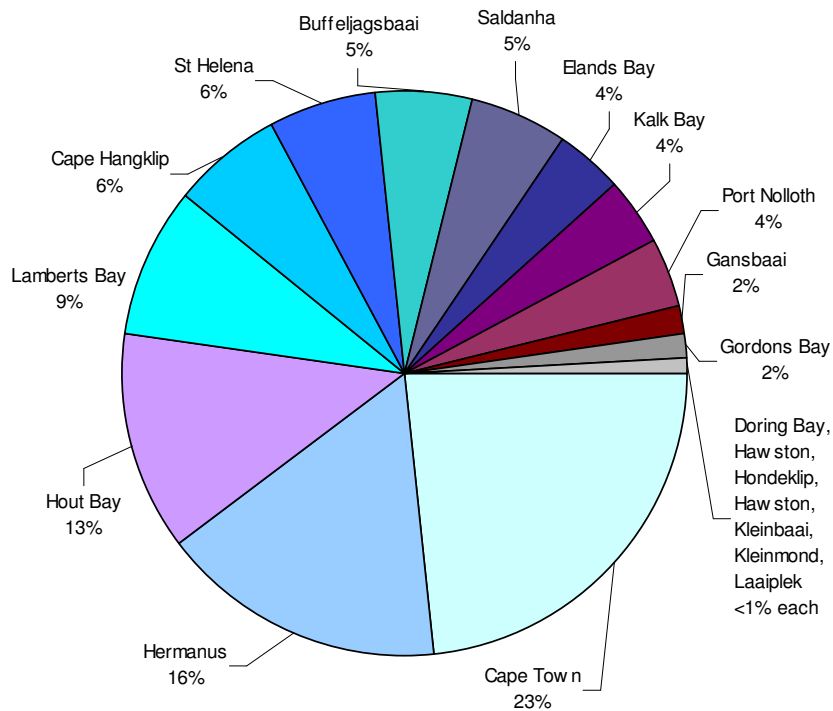
launched; or a “mother vessel” transports them to fishing grounds more distant. In the same size class (Group “A”; 4 – 6 m) were larger dinghies, motorised dinghies, and small ski-boats, all of which deploy hoop-nets. The next size class (Group “B”; 6 – 9 m) included larger ski-boats and “chukkies”. Chukkies are traditional west coast rock lobster “deck-boats” which are dying out of the fishery (there are probably only about 10 or so chukkies still in operation). This group makes use of both hoop-nets and traps. The third and fourth size classes reflect the two types of trap-boat in the offshore fishery. Those that are classed as small (Group “C”; 10 – 16 m) generally deploy less than 50 traps, whilst the larger vessels (Group “D”) can deploy more than 50 rock lobster traps per trip. The characteristics of the vessels in the four groups are summarised in Table 2.17.

**Table 2.17.** A comparison of mean characteristics of four groups of vessel types nominated to fish in the full commercial sector of the South African west coast rock lobster fishery by medium term rights holders.

Characteristic	Average for Group A	Average for Group B	Average for Group C	Average for Group D
Length (m ± Std Dev)	5 ± 1	8 ± 1	14 ± 2	20 ± 2
GRT (tons ± SD)	<25	<25	± 25	73 ± 26
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	120 ± 47	144 ± 87	135 ± 53	290 ± 102
Crew (± SD)	4 ± 1	9 ± 3	11 ± 5	18 ± 5
Construction Year (± SD)	1988 ± 7	1984 ± 9	1969 ± 18	1965 ± 13

As with the other commercial fisheries discussed so far, the South African west coast rock lobster offshore fleet is aging, with the average age of the nominated trap-boats being about 30 years. Seventy-five percent of these 10 m-plus vessels were also active in other fisheries; mainly tuna pole (32%) and abalone (28%) but also traditional linefish and hake longline (14% each), amongst others. The issue of limiting dedicated trap-boats to operate in the rock lobster fishery alone is currently (2005) being addressed in the long-term rights allocation policy for west coast rock lobster.

The offshore rock lobster fleet operate from a number of fishing harbours, from Port Nolloth in the Northern Province, to Hermanus on the south coast of the Western Cape Province (Figure 2.17). The vessels return to their fishing harbours every day to weigh their catch. The crew employed on the vessels are therefore usually local, living in the region of the fishing harbour. The benefit derived from the wages of the crew on the rock lobster vessels thus goes directly to the local community. The number of crewmembers working on the vessels listed in Table 2.16 was 2430, which is close to MCM’s estimate of 2500 vessel-based workers in the offshore fishery.



**Figure 2.17.** Fishing harbours at which the South African full commercial (offshore) fleet landed their west coast rock lobster catches during the medium term rights allocation period (2001 – 2005).

## 2.6 Tuna pole & line

Tuna catches were first reported in South Africa in 1910, by recreational anglers. However, the catches were sporadic, and for 50 years, it was believed that there were too few tunas in South African waters to warrant developing a commercial fishery. Eventually, mounting evidence to the contrary prompted an exploratory tuna-directed fishing survey in 1960, using longlines. It soon became clear that tuna occurred in commercially exploitable volumes from Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape Province to Lambert’s Bay, on the west coast of the Western Cape Province.

The first attempt to exploit the tuna resource locally was based on longlining, following the example of the Japanese tuna fleet that was fishing in South African waters at the time. This initial approach was not a great commercial success.

In 1979, an aggregation of yellow-fin tunas (*Thunnus albacares*) was found off Cape Point, which were taking baited hooks. A range of fishing boats attempted to cash in on this new resource, attracted from fisheries as diverse as the demersal, pelagic and west coast rock lobster fisheries. Almost 5000 tons of yellow-fin tuna were caught that year. However, the aggregation did not re-occur the following year, and most of the opportunist vessels lost interest. Nevertheless, the potential for commercial fishing for tuna using pole and line had been established, and a few of the larger vessels went searching for tuna further a field.

They discovered aggregations of albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) west of Cape Town, over the South Bank fishing grounds and in the region of the Vema and Tripp Seamounts. Two thousand tons of tuna were caught in 1980, precipitating the development of the tuna pole fishery in this area. Catches steadily increased until 7300 tons of tuna were taken in 1990. The following year Namibia gained independence, excluding the South African tuna pole fleet from the Tripp Seamount, which is in its sovereign waters. Joint ventures between South African and Namibian fishing companies led to a recovery in annual catches in the following year. Catches have fluctuated around 6000 tons since then. There are three main fishing areas in this fishery; in Namibian waters around the Tripp seamount, over the south bank fishing grounds off the west coast of South Africa, and off Cape Columbine. The fishery is seasonal, with most catches being taken from November to May.

The first attempt to manage the tuna pole fishery was introduced during the allocation of medium term fishing rights in 2002. Management in this fishery is by virtue of effort control, through the allocation of a Total Allowable Effort (TAE) allocation. The effort allocation is measured in terms of “men”, as each crewmember on a vessel is effectively one “fishing unit”. The rights holder must nominate a vessel/s to fish on their behalf. In this manner, the right is linked to a vessel. A maximum of 3600 “men” (i.e. crewmembers) are allowed to participate in the fishery at present, and this number must be divided up amongst a maximum permissible number of 200 fishing vessels.

The TAE of 3600 men was calculated to allow for an average catch of about 6000 tons. The International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) has, since 2003, set the global TAC for albacore at 29 200 tons. This amount is divided amongst four major fishing nations active in the region, namely Taiwan, South Africa, Brazil and Namibia. Although no country-specific quotas are allocated at present, these countries have been instructed by the ICCAT to formalise such an agreement. The country allocations will be based on past performance in the fishery; therefore, it is vital that South Africa does not under-utilise the resource.

### 2.6.1 Rights holders

Unfortunately, the tuna pole fishery was never fully subscribed during the medium term rights period (2002 – 2005). During this time, 150 rights-holders nominated 164 vessels to operate in the fishery, with an associated effort allocation of 2734 men (Table 2.18). This means that some 24% of the TAE was not utilised.

**Table 2.18.** Medium term rights holders in the South African tuna pole fishery, and their effort allocations for 2003.

RIGHTS HOLDER	VESSEL ALLOCATION	MEN ALLOCATION
ACTIVEST SIXTEEN (PTY) LTD	1	20
ADELETTE FISHING CC	1	19
AFRICAN TUNA TRADERS CC	1	8
ALASKA FISHING CC	1	18
ANG JERRY FISHING CC	1	20
ATV-S FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	14
AX FISHING CC	1	17
BALELO (PTY) LTD	1	12
BALELO+ SANTOS FISHING CC	1	16
BATSATA FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	19
BATSILVA CC	1	16
BAYANA BAYANA FISHING CC	1	20

RIGHTS HOLDER	VESSEL ALLOCATION	MEN ALLOCATION
BAYVIEW FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	20
BELL WALTER OXLEY	1	16
BIG BLUE FISHING AND CHARTERS	1	6
BIZ AFRIKA 1504 (PTY) LTD	1	20
BLUE VENTURE FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	23
BORDEAUX MARINE OPERATIONS CC	1	16
BRAVEHEART FISHING CC	1	5
BROSS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	1	20
BROTHERS FISHING CC	1	15
BUSBY FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	12
C&K FISHING	1	25
CARPENSIS FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	16
CLARK WILLIAM BRIAN	1	16
CLIPPER FISHING CC	1	20
COMPATIX TEN (PTY) LTD	1	12
CTEL FISHING CC	1	16
CYRIL BURREL FISHING CC	1	25
DA LUZFISHERIES CC	1	16
DA SILVA AGOSTINHO	1	13
DA SILVA INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	1	19
DAVID OLIVIER & PARTNERS CC	1	12
DAVID SMITH FISHING CC	1	24
DE FARIA JOAO MANUEL FERNANDES	1	20
DE FREITAS FISHING CC	1	18
DE VASCONCELOS VIEIRA ANNA LUCIA	1	16
DEWMIST INVESTMENTS CC	1	12
DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	5	87
DOUGLAS H FISHING CC	1	20
ED HAWK FISHING CC	1	20
ESTRELA DOMARFISHINGCC	1	16
FERNANDES FISHING CC	1	18
FERNANDES JOAD MANUEL DA COSTA	1	20
FERNANDES JOSE MANUEL DA COSTA	1	20
FERREI RA MANUEL RODRIGUES FERREIRA	1	12
FERREIRA JOHNNY PEDRO	1	12
FERREIRA LUISA TEIXEIRO	1	16
FERRO FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	16
FISKORN CC	1	16
FLOR D' MAR FISHING ENTERPRISES	1	15
G & K FISHERIES	1	12
GEROMBE FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	1	21
GOLDFISH FISHING TRUST	1	20
GOMES FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	15
GOMES HORACIO DE NASCIMENTO DA SILVA	1	25
GOMES MANUEL EUGENIO DA SILVA	1	16
GRADWELL FISHERIES CC	1	22
GRANT FISHING CC	1	20
GRIFFITHS HENDRIK CORNELIUS LEONARD	1	25
HELENA JOSE BRAS	1	18
HENTIQ 2349 (PTY) LTD	1	17
I FORTUNE AND CREW (PTY) LTD	1	15
IMG ADMIMISTRATORS CC	2	14
IMIFUNO FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	10
IMIZAMOYETHU FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	12
INTLANZI FISHING (PTY) LIMITED	1	24

RIGHTS HOLDER	VESSEL ALLOCATION	MEN ALLOCATION
INYANGA FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	10
JJ DA MATA & SONS FISHING CO (PTY)	2	30
JOC FISHING CC	1	12
JOENARDO FISHING CC	2	30
JORGE DE OLIMFISHINGCC	1	18
JOVILLE FISHING CC	1	20
KENTUCKY FISHING CC	2	42
KNOBEL BRIAN	2	44
LANGEBERG FISHING CC	1	15
LAUBSCHER PIERRE JAN	1	6
LIMARCO NINE CC	1	8
LOUW XAVIER ERNESTO	2	38
MAJORSHELF 166 (PTY) LT0	2	34
MANUEL DE OLIM FISHING CC	1	12
MARION DAWN FISHINGCC	1	12
MARTINS EDUARDO	1	14
MCCALLUM THOMAS BUDGE	1	10
MENEZES JOSE ELEUTERIO	1	14
MFV WESTERDAM CC	1	17
MIACOR TRADING CC	1	20
MJM CASULA FISHING CC	1	20
MONIZ FISHERIES	1	20
MONSOM TRADING 108 CC	1	12
MONTIDAN FISHERIES (PTY) LTD	1	25
MOREIRA & SON FISHING CC	1	12
MUZZELL MICHAEL THOMAS	1	13
NATI SI NAKO FISHING	1	16
NEW MEXICO CC	1	18
NGONYAMA FISHING TRUST	1	19
NORTE PESCA FISHING CC	1	20
PAARMAN FISHERIES CC	1	25
PALZET VISSERYE BK	1	18
PENGLIDES ALEXANDER	1	18
PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD	4	94
PRETORIUS JOHN BEVAN	1	4
PYPER JAN VULCAN HERMAN	1	12
RADIANT FISHING CC	1	15
RIETGANS VISSERYE CC	1	24
RODRIGUES JOSE MARCELINO	1	8
SOUTH ROCK FISHING CC	1	20
SA TUNA EXPORTERS (PTY) LTD	1	22
SANCHO SIDONIO JOSE RODRIGUES	1	17
SAO GABRIEL FISHING CC	1	19
SCEPTRE FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	10
SCHMIDT UWE WILFRIED	1	6
SCOTSHE KLOOF FISHERY CC	1	11
SEASWAS FISHING CC	1	16
SILVA FISHING ENT CC	1	16
SIMPSON DENIS ROBERT	1	10
SMITH ERIC WALTER	1	22
SOLIPROPS 1083 CC	1	15
SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCTS LTD	1	9
SOUTH WEST TRAWLERS CC	1	20
SOUTHERN POINT OCEAN FRESH PROC	1	7
SOWDEN RALPH CUBITT	1	15

RIGHTS HOLDER	VESSEL ALLOCATION	MEN ALLOCATION
SQUIDDER FISHING INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD	1	18
STARLIGHT FISHING	1	18
TAMARAN FISHING CC	1	25
TELO BROTHERS (PTY) LTD	1	10
TERN FISHINGTRUST	1	16
THATO FISHING CC	2	30
THE FISHINGTRUST	1	28
THE SILVA FAMILY TRUST	1	20
THE VOYAGER FISHING TRUST	1	8
TIERKOP INVESTMENTS CC	1	20
TRADE FACTOR ELEVEN (PTY) LTD	1	15
TRADE FACTOR SIXTEEN (PTY) LTD	1	20
TRADEFACOR FIFTEEN (PTY) LTD	1	15
TRANSAT COMPANY (PTY) LTD	1	18
TRAUTMAN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	1	26
TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC	1	20
TUCKER JAMES DAVID	1	18
TWOLINETRADING 163 (PTY) LTD	1	8
UKULIMA FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	12
UMKHONTO FISHING (PTY) LTD	1	10
VIA COMDEUS FISHING CC	1	16
VIEIRA & SONS FISHING CC	1	17
VON BONDE GERHARD SKELTON	1	8
WAVECREST SEA ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD	1	17
WINDHOEK FISHING CC	1	20
YELLOW STAR TRADING 1114 (PTY) LTD	1	25
YOUNG WAYS FOURTEEN CC	1	11
ZINGARA TRUST	1	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>2734</b>

Most of the medium term tuna pole rights holders were from the Western Cape Province (82%), although 8% were based in the Eastern Cape Province. Almost a quarter of the rights holding entities were individuals. Forty-three percent were closed corporations, 28% were proprietary limited companies, and the rest were held by trusts (5%). One rights holder was a very large company (with reported turnovers of more than R100 million) and one was a large company (R10 – 100 million turnover). For the most part though, the tuna pole resource was fished by medium (41%) and small (58%) scale operators. The majority of the rights holders (75%) employed between 10 – 50 people. Only 4% had more than 50 employees, while 21% employed less than 10 people. Excluding the shore-based staff of the very large company (Premier Fishing, which has rights in other fisheries), approximately 3100 people were employed in the tuna pole fishery in 2003, of which 2734 were vessel-based crewmembers.

## 2.6.2 Vessels

Before the allocation of medium term fishing rights, tuna pole fishing fell within the general linefish sector of the South African fishing industry. A diverse group of vessels made up the early tuna pole fleet. As the tuna pole fishery developed, so three distinct groups became apparent. The first consisted of larger vessels (>20 crew) with onboard freezer capabilities that could spend a number of days at sea, targeting the albacore that frequented the Tripps and Vema Seamounts. The second group consisted of smaller vessels (<20 crew) that targeted the albacore at the South Bank region. They carried ice onboard, and could overnight at sea. The



last group consisted of a collection of even smaller craft (<10 crew) that fished for the albacore which occurred inshore, off Cape Columbine.

Few of these vessels were dedicated tuna pole boats. The seasonal nature of the fishery led the participants to believe that it could not sustain a year-round industry. Almost all participants had rights in other fisheries. One of the aims of the medium term rights allocation process was to formalise the tuna pole industry, unpacking it from the general linefish fishery and dictating (through permit conditions) the types of vessels that could operate in the fishery. The vessels that were employed in the fishery during the medium term rights period (2002 -2005) are listed in Table 2.19.

**Table 2.19.** Vessels nominated to fish on behalf of the medium term rights holders in the tuna pole fishery (2002 – 2005).

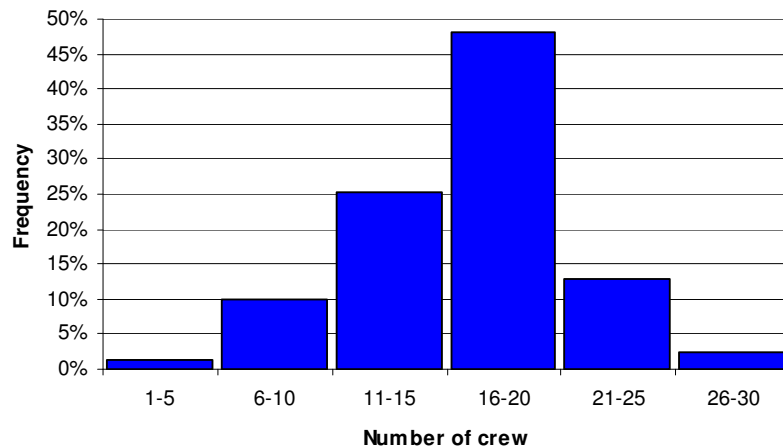
Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
ABE SHAPIRO	RSA	18	65	164	1958	18	1	SOLIPROPS 1083 CC
ABRAHAM T	RSA	21	100	308	1962	20	1	DE FARIA JOAO MANUEL FERNANDES
ADELETTE	RSA	19	66	---	1964	19	1	ADELETTE FISHING CC
ALASKA	RSA	20	68	500	1964	18	1	ALASKA FISHING CC
ALLAN LEES	RSA	21	88	---	1961	20	1	BAYVIEW FISHING (PTY) LTD
ALTAIR	RSA	14	---	130	1996	16	1	DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
ANG JERRY	RSA	14	25	---	1957	15	1	ANG JERRY FISHING CC
ANTARES	RSA	12	---	130	1986	12	1	DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
ANTOINETTE	RSA	14	243	138	2004	12	1	GOLD MEDELLION INVESTMENT CC
ARCHER	RSA	15	42	145	1952	16	1	FERRO FISHING (PTY) LTD
ARIZONA	RSA	20	75	287	1997	24	1	INTLANZI FISHING (PTY) LTD
ATU-S	RSA	28	189	400	1981	14	1	ATV-S FISHING (PTY) LTD
BENGUELA PRIDE	RSA	22	84	335	1964	18	1	DE FREITAS FISHING CC
BLUE DOLPHIN	RSA	20	91	394	1966	20	1	MJM CASULA FISHING CC
BOGENFELS	RSA	15	44	130	1948	19	1	NGONYAMA FISHING TRUST
BRAVEHEART	RSA	7	---	---	1988	5	1	BRAVEHEART FISHING CC
CHRIS TRAUTMAN	RSA	16	47	150	1957	12	1	TRAUTMAN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
CHRISTIE SUE	RSA	19	73	240	1962	18	1	NASCIMENTO FISHING CC
CHRISTO REI	RSA	23	116	515	1991	25	1	CYRILL BURREL FISHING CC
CLAREMONT	RSA	20	69	224	1954	19	1	DA SILVA INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD
COMET	RSA	20	84	365	1959	20	1	TICIVA SEVEN (PTY) LTD
CONQUEST	RSA	18	59	186	1988	16	1	CLARK WILLIAM BRIAN
CONQUISTADOR	RSA	18	46	240	1952	20	2	SCEPTRE FISHING (PTY) LTD
CONSORTIUM ALPHA	RSA	22	100	535	1970	18	1	TRANSAT COMPANY (PTY) LTD
CONSTANTIABERG	RSA	18	56	172	1967	14	2	SOUTH AFRICAN SEA PRODUCTS LTD
CORSAIR	RSA	14	---	800	1967	8	1	TWOLINE TRADING 163 (PTY) LTD
COUNTRY LADY	RSA	11	---	---	1986	8	1	VAN BREDA HJ
COVI TWO	RSA	18	42	174	1981	16	1	VIA COMDEUS FISHING CC
CRAIG	RSA	17	68	224	1994	25	1	C&K FISHING (PTY) LTD (K. KINGMA)
CYRIL BURREL	RSA	17	47	180	1958	18	1	DEWMIST INVESTMENTS CC
DAAN VILJOEN	RSA	21	61	228	1960	17	1	VEIRA & SONS FISHING CC
DEEP C	RSA	7	---	---	1982	6	1	BIG BLUE FISHING AND CHARTERS CC

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
DRIFTER	RSA	30	293	693	1973	25	1	YELLOW STAR TRADING 1114 (PTY) LTD
EILAND URK	RSA	19	66	340	1964	15	1	REIS SANTOS & SILA LTD
EL PESCADOR	RSA	14	---	160	1955	10	1	PLUSCOR FIVE (PTY) LTD
ELANDSBERG	RSA	16	---	---	1997	12	1	DE FLORENCA JJ
ELBE	RSA	17	44	190	1951	22	1	SMITH ERIC WALTER
ELLIS S	RSA	19	74	164	1958	21	1	GEROMBE FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
ENDURANCE	RSA	16	49	240	1952	16	1	BALELO AND SANTOS FISHING CC
ESTRELA DO MAR	RSA	22	139	---	1975	16	1	ESTRELA DOMAR FISHING CC
FISHING SPECIALIST	RSA	7	---	---	1990	6	1	GEOFFREY MALCOM GENRICKS
FISKORN	RSA	19	43	175	1951	16	1	LAURENCO DA LUZ
FV ALLISON	RSA	22	163	---	1988	19	1	LIMITED LIABILITY CORP
GAMBIT	RSA	14	25	105	1999	16	1	KNOBEL BRIAN
GARY	RSA	11	---	98	1975	12	1	G&K FISHERIES CC
GRANT	RSA	15	37	145	1962	20	1	GRANT FISHING CC
GYPSEY ROSE	RSA	14	---	115	1989	12	1	COOKE RB
HELENA ROSSOUW	RSA	15	37	1	1960	16	1	FJ VIEIRA
HISPANIOLA	RSA	17	63	300	1953	17	1	SANCHO SIDONIO JOSE RODRIGUES
JAMIE JAY	RSA	14	23	100	1996	16	1	TUCKER JAMES DAVID
JIDY AYM	RSA	9	---	---	1986	11	1	SKOTSHE KLOOF FISHERY CC
JOLENE	RSA	12	---	130	1980	12	1	DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
JONATHAN	RSA	15	33	224	1968	12	1	JOC FISHING CC
KARIBA	RSA	20	72	275	1959	16	1	SILVA FISHING ENTERPRISE CC
KENTUCKY	RSA	21	80	317	1959	20	1	KENTUCKY FISHING CC
KINGFISHER	RSA	16	38	130	1965	20	1	GOLDFISH FISHING TRUST
KINGFISHER	RSA	12	---	---	1972	13	1	MUZZELL MICHAEL THOMAS
KINGKLIP	RSA	16	44	199	1948	15	1	SIBANGE FISHING (PTY) LTD
KIRSTENBERG	RSA	20	64	172	1968	17	1	HENTIQ 2349 (PTY) LTD
LADY ELLA	RSA	11	---	---	1966	8	1	GERHARD SKELTON VON BONDE
LADYSMITH	RSA	15	41	170	1954	15	1	BROTHERS FISHING CC
LANGEBERG	RSA	16	43	142	1962	15	1	LANGEBERG FISHING CC
LE MARSH	RSA	17	61	200	1995	20	1	MONTIDAN FISHERIES (PTY) LTD
LEINSAAT	RSA	---	---	---	---	---	1	IKWEZI FISHING (PTY) LTD
LEISHA	RSA	9	---	136	1968	4	1	PRETORIUS JOHN BEVAN
LILLIAN	RSA	17	37	150	1951	10	1	MFV LILLIAN VESSEL CO (PTY) LTD
LUDERITZ STAR	RSA	18	60	---	1953	17	1	WAVECREST SEA ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
MALAGAS TWO	RSA	21	97	315	1968	22	1	KENTUCKY FISHING CC
MANICWA	RSA	17	58	186	1989	25	1	H C L GRIFFITHS
MARTHINO	RSA	19	83	---	1955	20	1	NORTE PESCA FISHING CC
MONNICKENDAM	RSA	20	91	325	1962	23	1	BLUE VENTURE FISHING (PTY) LTD
MY GIRL	RSA	7	---	115	1980	6	1	SCHMIDT UWE WILFRIED
MYMOENA	RSA	14	---	---	2000	12	1	MARION DAWN FISHING CC
NEW MEXICO	RSA	19	75	272	1958	18	1	NEW MEXICO CC
NICOLETTE	RSA	19	87	300	1960	25	1	BROSS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD
OCEAN SPIRIT	RSA	19	66	---	1963	12	1	JAN VULCAN HERMAN PYPER

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
OCEANA AMYTHEST	RSA	20	92	300	1969	18	1	STARLIGHT FISHING CC
OCEANA CLIPPER	RSA	18	68	261	1956	20	1	CLIPPER FISHING CC
OCEANA PLANET	RSA	19	86	268	1959	16	1	BORDEAUX MARINE OPERATIONS CC
OCEANA ROCKET	RSA	20	84	300	1959	20	1	FERNANDES JOAO MANUEL DA COSTA
OCEANA TOPAZ	RSA	20	86	---	1967	20	1	DOUGLAS H FISHING CC
OSPREY	RSA	13	---	436	1978	12	1	BUSBY FISHING (PTY) LTD
OTTERDAM	RSA	16	51	250	1957	15	1	FLOR D' MAR FISHING ENTERPRISES
OUBAAS FRITZ	RSA	23	92	350	1960	16	1	MICTEL FISHING CC
OUMA	RSA	16	51	240	1959	15	1	VIRISSMO FISHING (PTY) LTD
PAUL	RSA	20	88	425	1962	16	1	BATSATA FISHING (PTY) LTD
PAULINE BRIDGET	RSA	15	42	82	1953	16	1	CAPENSIS FISHING (PTY) LTD
PENKOP TWO	RSA	21	98	309	1965	20	1	MONIZ FISHERIES (PTY) LTD
PIETRO-LEANJA	RSA	20	90	---	1991	26	1	TRAUTMAN FISHING ENTERPRISES CC
PLETTENBERG	RSA	16	38	---	1952	12	1	GOMES FISHING (PTY) LTD
RADIANT STAR	RSA	15	26	172	1974	15	1	RADIANT FISHING CC
RAPTOR	RSA	17	67	272	1994	25	1	ZINGARA TRUST
RED HAWK TWO	RSA	19	80	365	1952	16	1	RED HAWK FISHING CC
RIETGANS	RSA	18	64	260	1962	22	1	RIETGANS VISSERYE CC
RIJGER	RSA	19	59	228	1957	20	1	DE SOUSA FISHING
RIVIERGANS	RSA	19	73	235	1959	16	1	LAURENCO DA LUZ
ROOIBERG	RSA	17	47	240	1958	20	2	HELENA JOSE BRAS
SAILFISH	RSA	18	55	317	1966	20	1	JOVILLE FISHING CC
SANDVELD ONE	RSA	19	72	340	1988	3	1	PALZET VISSERYE BK
SANTA MONICA	RSA	29	225	550	1964	22	1	SA TUNA EXPORTERS (PTY) LTD
SAO GABRIEL	RSA	20	90	268	1962	19	1	SAO GABRIEL FISHING CC
SEAGULL	RSA	13	---	60	1948	12	1	ACTIVEST TWENTY-TWO (PTY) LTD
SEASWAS	RSA	21	61	228	1960	16	1	SEASWAS FISHING CC
SHAROLIN DAWN	RSA	19	68	250	1962	20	1	JOSE MANUEL DA COSTA FERNANDES
SHARON	RSA	17	73	235	1994	28	1	JURASSIC FISHING INDUSTRIES (PTY) LTD
SHELL FISH	RSA	19	---	---	1982	24	1	SMITH DC
SILVER FERN	RSA	18	32	205	1952	14	1	JJ DA MATA & SONS FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
SILVER MARLIN	RSA	21	98	250	1964	20	1	SOUTH ROCK FISHING CC
SKIPNESS	RSA	15	40	130	1951	14	1	MENEZES JOSE ELEUTERIO
SNEEUBERG	RSA	18	64	252	1966	20	1	THE SILVA FAMILY TRUST
SOUTH WEST GANNET	RSA	16	46	250	1956	16	1	BATSILVA CC
SOUTH WEST HERON	RSA	19	45	142	1953	16	1	EASY CHOICE TWELVE (PTY) LTD
SOUTH WEST LAPWING	RSA	18	61	230	1956	17	1	AX FISHING CC
SOUTH WEST PETREL	RSA	15	---	142	1951	13	1	AGOSTINHO DA SILVA FISHING (PTY) LTD
SOUTHERN CROSS	RSA	28	225	---	1964	20	1	SOUTH WEST TRAWLERS CC
SOUTHERN FIGHTER	RSA	19	62	220	1995	22	1	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
SOUTHERN KNIGHT	RSA	14	25	272	1997	16	1	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
SOUTHERN REAPER	RSA	14	---	103	1996	18	1	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
SOUTHERN STAR	RSA	17	59	224	1995	22	1	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
SOUTHERN TIGER	RSA	22	72	240	1944	20	1	BAYANA BAYANA FISHING CC

Vessel	Flag	Length (M)	GRT (Tons)	Horse Power (KW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights Fished	Owners
SOUTHWEST CORMORANT	RSA	15	39	175	1948	10	1	DORMAKORP VIER (EDMS) BPK
SPES NOVA	RSA	16	45	261	1954	15	1	TRADE FACTOR FIFTEEN (PTY) LTD
SPINDRIFT	RSA	11	---	---	1982	8	1	GEOFFREY MALCOM GENRICKS
SQUIDDER	RSA	14	25	205	2001	16	1	SQUIDDER FISHING INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD
ST ANNE	RSA	14	---	---	1956	12	1	ST ANNE FISHING CC
STARFISH	RSA	23	85	305	1963	25	1	GOMES HORACIO DE NASCIMENTO DA SILVA
SUSAN JANET	RSA	18	63	---	---	15	1	REIS SANTOS & SILA LTD
SWELLEDAM	RSA	18	78	240	1959	20	1	HACKY FISHING (PTY) LTD
SWORDFISH	RSA	19	78	390	1981	22	1	MANUEL DE OLIM FISHING CC
TAJ MAHAAL	RSA	12	24	125	1997	15	1	I_FORTUNE AND CREW (PTY) LTD
TERN	RSA	14	---	90	1994	16	1	TERN FISHING TRUST
THANE	RSA	18	71	220	1995	22	1	TAMARAN FISHING CC
THE DON	RSA	17	65	238	1995	25	1	DMA FISHING ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD
THERESE	RSA	11	---	216	1978	10	1	SIMPSON, DENIS ROBERT
TIERKOP	RSA	17	42	147	1957	36	1	TIERKOP INVESTMENTS CC
TIGERFISH	RSA	6	---	---	1998	7	1	SOUTHERN POINT OCEANIC FRESH PROCURERS (PTY) LTD
TIGERREEF	RSA	16	32	170	1948	12	1	MOREIRA & SON FISHING CC
TINA	RSA	17	53	215	1980	15	1	JOENARDO FISHING CC
TOMREN	RSA	15	29	---	1946	12	1	FERREIRA JONNY PEDRO
TRIAD	RSA	17	68	272	1996	25	1	PAARMAN FISHERIES (PTY) LTD
TRIDENT	RSA	16	55	175	1997		1	KNOBEL BRIAN
VALHALLA	RSA	18	57	217	1955	15	1	JOENARDO FISHING CC
VAN HUNKS	RSA	14	---	190	1995	15	1	SOWDEN RALPH CUBITT
VLAEBERG	RSA	18	42	205	1952	16	1	JJ DA MATA & SONS FISHING COMPANY (PTY) LTD
VOYAGER	RSA	14	---	85	1996	8	1	HARE JD
WAVE BREAKER	RSA	8	---	---	1997	11	1	PIENAAR AH
WESKUS ONE	RSA	20	66	255	1965	18	2	JORGE DE OLIM FISHING CC
WESTERDAM	RSA	20	67	250	1960	17	1	MFV WESTERDAM CC
WESTERN STAR	RSA	12	---	130	1982	12	1	WESTERN STAR ENTERPRISES FISHING (PTY) LTD
WICKED LADY	RSA	7	---	180	1982	6	1	LAUBSCHER PIERRE JAN
WILMAG	RSA	15	38	170	1950	10	1	TELO BROTHERS (PTY) LTD
WINBURG	RSA	15	36	170	1955	16	1	GOMES FISHING (PTY) LTD
WINDHOEK	RSA	20	69	---	1984	20	1	WINDHOEK FISHING CC
WITCH OF ENDOR	RSA	11	---	---	1970	8	1	LIMARCO NINE CC
ZAY-AAN	RSA	15	47	165	1997	20	1	TRAWL INVESTMENTS CC
ZILDORA	RSA	19	70	251	1964	18	1	MFV ZILDORA VESSEL COMPANY (PTY) LTD

According to the Economic and Sectoral Study of the South African Fishing Industry (ESS, 2000) nearly 40% of the vessels fishing for tuna using pole and baited hooks before 2000 had less than 10 crewmembers (i.e. smaller vessels). After the medium term rights were allocated, this percentage had dropped to 11%, with most (73%) of the vessels carrying between 15 – 20 crewmembers. This change reflects the exclusion of “part-time” or opportunistic fishers from the fishery, and the development of a more homogenized tuna pole fleet (Figure 2.18). The characteristics of this fleet are summarized in Table 2.20.



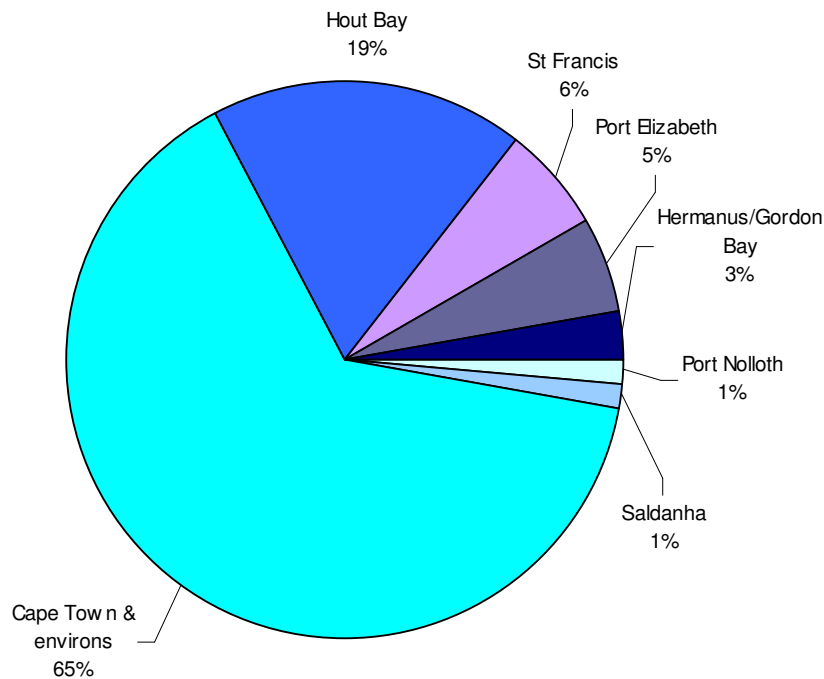
**Figure 2.18.** The number of crew on the vessels operating in the South African tuna pole fishery.

**Table 2.20.** A summary of some mean characteristics for the vessels nominated to fish in the South African tuna pole fishery.

Characteristic	Average for Fleet
Length (m ± Std Dev)	17 ± 4
GRT (tons ± SD)	70 ± 42
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	236 ± 117
Crew (± SD)	17 ± 5
Construction Year (± SD)	1970 ± 16

Fifty-eight percent of the vessels in the tuna pole fleet operated in more than one fishery. In addition to the tuna pole fishery, most of them fished in the long-line fisheries (38%), west coast rock lobster fishery (30%) and the squid fishery (19%).

The majority of the tuna pole vessels were based in the Western Cape (87%), operating out of Cape Town and Hout Bay mostly, but also Saldanha Bay, Gordon’s Bay and Hermanus. Some of the vessels were based in the Eastern Cape (12%) at St Francis Bay and Port Elizabeth, and a few vessels (1% of the total) were based in the Northern Cape Province, in Port Nolloth (Figure 2.20).



**Figure 2,20.** Fishing harbours from which the South African tuna pole fleet operated during the medium term rights allocation period (2002 – 2005).

## 2.7 Large pelagic longline

Until the end of 2003, the longline vessels targeting large pelagic fishes (primarily tuna, swordfish and some sharks) in South African waters were Japanese and Taiwanese. The Japanese longline fleet had been granted access to South Africa’s territorial waters since the 1970s, through bi-lateral fishing agreements with the Apartheid government. The agreements with Japan (and Taiwan, at the time) were re-negotiated in 1990, and awakened local interest in the activities of these foreign vessels in South African waters. The first local experimental tuna-longlining permit was issued to a joint venture between a local company and a Japanese longliner by the authorities in 1995. The experiment confirmed that South African-based tuna longlining operations could be profitable, and revealed a lucrative by-catch of large swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*). On the strength of this, a further 30 experimental tuna longline permits were issued in 1997. Twenty were granted to existing tuna pole permit holders, and 10 went to new entrants.

South Africa did not renew its bilateral licensing agreements with Japan and Taiwan in 2003. This action effectively reserved the large pelagic fishes that occur in South African waters for local fishermen only.

The tuna longline experiment formally became the large pelagic fishery in 2004, when the first commercial fishing rights were allocated. The fishery is managed by the TAE approach, where the number of “fishing units” is limited to 30 tuna-directed and 20 swordfish-directed longline vessels. This dichotomy resulted from the tuna longline experiment, where two groups of users emerged; those who wished to target tunas and those who wished to target

swordfish. This is a precautionary TAE, which will remain in place until enough catch data is available to model the fishery with some degree of certainty.

The swordfish TAE is based on the fishing performance of the vessels that targeted swordfish in the experimental fishery (i.e. 23 vessels landed 1090 tons in 2002). The ICCAT is the regional fisheries management organisation responsible for the swordfish resource in the southern Atlantic Ocean. The current (2005) country quota that ICCAT has apportioned to South Africa is only 1070 tons; less than 7% of the regional TAC for this species (15 956 tons in 2005).

At the end of 2005, the right to target pelagic sharks will be withdrawn from the South African fishing industry. The existing pelagic shark longline fishery will be consolidated into the large pelagic fishery. Although there will be no shark-directed rights available, they can be fished by the holders of a large pelagic right, as by-catch.

### 2.7.1 Rights holders

The rights holders in the swordfish-directed longline fishery were, for the most part, active participants in other South African fisheries (79%), mainly in other longline operations and/or tuna pole fishing. They were all propriety companies (71%) or closed corporations (29%, Table 2.20). Of the 14 rights-holding entities, two were very large companies (>R100 million turnover, >100 employees), five were medium-sized (R1-10 million turnover, 10-50 employees) and the rest were small operations (<R1 million turnover, <10 employees).

The medium term rights holders in the tuna-directed sector of the fishery appear to be mostly (73%) new entities to the South African fishing industry. Very little detail is currently available on these companies. Of the eight companies that were active elsewhere in the South African fishing industry, only one was a large company, four were medium and three were small businesses. The rest were probably small to medium-sized operations (Table 21).

**Table 2.21.** Rights holders in the South African large pelagic longline fishery, and their effort allocations for the 2004/2005 season.

Name of Applicant	Allocation 2004/2005	Species directed
ATV-S Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
Christie Leonie Fishing (Proprietary) Limited	1 vessel	Swordfish
Combined Fishing Enterprises CC	1 vessel	Swordfish
Eagle Creek Investments 250 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
Erongo Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
Hacky Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
Henque 4102 CC	1 vessel	Swordfish
Interfish (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
MJM Casula Fishing CC	1 vessel	Swordfish
P & H Forward Fishing CC	1 vessel	Swordfish
Premier Fishing SA (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
Sceptre Fishing Pty Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
South Seas Trawling Company (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
Viking Fishing Company (Deep Sea) (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Swordfish
A Penglides (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Agulhas Fishing CC	1 vessel	Tuna
Alric Fishing CC	1 vessel	Tuna



Name of Applicant	Allocation 2004/2005	Species directed
Azanian Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Chestnut Hill Investments 167 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Chestnut Hill Investments 178 ((Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Chestnut Hill Investments 192 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Chestnut Hill Investments 195 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Clifton Dune Investments 114 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Combined Fishing Enterprises CC	1 vessel	Tuna
Dusty Moon Investments 44 ((Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Eagle Creek Investments 237 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Estrela Do Mar Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Evethu Fishing ((Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Ferro Fishing ((Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Four Arrows Investments 148 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Glowing Wonder 33 CC	1 vessel	Tuna
Hanill Import & Export CC	1 vessel	Tuna
I Africa Fishing CC	1 vessel	Tuna
Impala Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
J & L Fishing CC	1 vessel	Tuna
Lamberts Bay Longline Operators (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Little Swift Investments 77 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Ngumzamo Fishing CC	1 vessel	Tuna
Quick Leap Investments 155 (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna
Sea Point Fishing (Pty) Ltd	1 vessel	Tuna

Ninety percent of the rights holders in the large pelagic fishery are from the Western Cape Province (of which 80% are based in and around Cape Town), and 10% are from the Eastern Cape (Port Elizabeth and Port St Francis).

### 2.7.2 Vessels

Marine and Coastal Management has sanctioned a number of joint ventures between local rights holders and foreign fishing companies, as a means to allow smaller operators access to the large pelagic fishery, which otherwise would not have the capital to acquire purpose-built longline vessels. In consequence, a number of the vessels in the 2003 tuna longline fleet were foreign flagged (76%), hailing mainly from South Korea and the Philippines. The fleet consisted of 17 vessels at the time, although nine of the 26 rights holders still aimed to acquire (build, buy, or enter into an agreement) a vessel to fish for their tuna longline right (Table 2.22). The allocation of a TAE for 30 tuna-directed vessels means that the fishery was significantly under-subscribed at the time.

**Table 2.22.** Vessels nominated to fish in the tuna-directed, large pelagic longline fishery in 2004-2005.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
AMANDO	RSA	17	61	224	1990	21	FERRO FISHING ((PTY) LTD	FERRO FISHING (PTY) LTD
BARBARA LOUISE II	RSA	36	---	---	1964	19	CHESTNUT HILL INVEST. 178 ((PTY) LTD	LAST HORIZON FISHING (PTY) LTD
CECIL G WHITE	RSA	25	---	---	1958	17	SEA POINT FISHING (PTY) LTD	SEA POINT FISHING

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
DONG WON 117	S. KOREA	50	---	414	1998	30	IMPALA FISHING (PTY) LTD	HANLLL SHIPPING
DONG WON 216	S. KOREA	47	---	446	1999	30	LAMBERTS BAY LONGLINE OP. (PTY) LTD	HANLLL SHIPPING
DONG WON 217	S. KOREA	50	---	471	1989	24	A PENGLIDES (PTY) LTD	HANLLL SHIPPING
DONG WON 619	S. KOREA	43	---	389	1999	23	I AFRICA FISHING CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
DONG WON 622	S. KOREA	47	---	457	1990	30	HANILL IMPORT & EXPORT CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
DONG WON 630	S. KOREA	48	---	385	1988	30	AZANIAN FISHING (PTY) LTD	HANLLL SHIPPING
DONG WON 632	S. KOREA	50	---	461	2000	30	GLOWING WONDER 33 CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
ORYONG 353	S. KOREA	47	---	422	1999	30	COMBINED FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
ORYONG 355	S. KOREA	48	---	476	1988	30	AGULHAS FISHING CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
ORYONG 371	S. KOREA	47	---	---	1999	30	J & L FISHING CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
SANDALENE	RSA	20	---	---	1962	18	ESTRELA DO MAR FISHING (PTY) LTD	SANDALENE FISHING
SUNTAI NO 1	PHILIPPINES	55	620	1000	1985	27	EYETHU FISHING ((PTY) LTD	TAIYO A&F CO., LTD.
SUNTAI NO 3	PHILIPPINES	55	619	1000	1984	27	NGUMZAMO FISHING CC	TAIYO A&F CO., LTD.
TONINA 3	S. KOREA	50	---	450	1998	30	ALRIC FISHING CC	HANLLL SHIPPING
TBA							CHESTNUT HILL INVEST. 167 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							CHESTNUT HILL INVEST. 192 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							CHESTNUT HILL INVEST. 195 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							CLIFTON DUNE INVEST. 114 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							DUSTY MOON INVEST. 44 ((PTY) LTD	
TBA							EAGLE CREEK INVEST. 237 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							FOUR ARROWS INVEST. 148 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							LITTLE SWIFT INVEST. 77 (PTY) LTD	
TBA							QUICK LEAP INVEST. 155 (PTY) LTD	

This was also the case for the swordfish directed fishery, where 14 vessels made up the fleet, with a TAE of 20 vessels allocated in 2004. Of these vessels, two were operating under a foreign flag (Australia and Belize, Table 2.23).

**Table 2.23.** Vessels nominated to fish in the swordfish-directed, large pelagic longline fishery in 2004-2005.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
SHIAN FENG CHANG 18	RSA	27	151	375	1973	20	COMBINED FISHING ENTERPRISES CC	ALL HOOKED UP FISHING (PTY) LTD
MFV ATV-S	RSA	28	189	400	1981	14	ATV-S FISHING (PTY) LTD	ATV-S FISHING (PTY) LTD
CHRISTIE LEONIE	RSA	21	91	250	1962	24	CHRISTIE LEONIE FISHING (PTY) LTD	CHRISTIE LEONIE FISHING (PTY) LTD
BETA	RSA	20.90	---	---	2004	20	HENQUE 41 02 CC	CYRIL BURREL FISHING
CHRISTINA DEBORA	RSA	34.80	---	---	1981	18	ERONGO FISHING (PTY) LTD	ERONGO FISHING (PTY) LTD
MFV HRAUNSVIK	BELIZE	30.00	---	---	1982	16	INTERFISH (PTY) LTD	ESPADIA FISHING (PTY) LTD

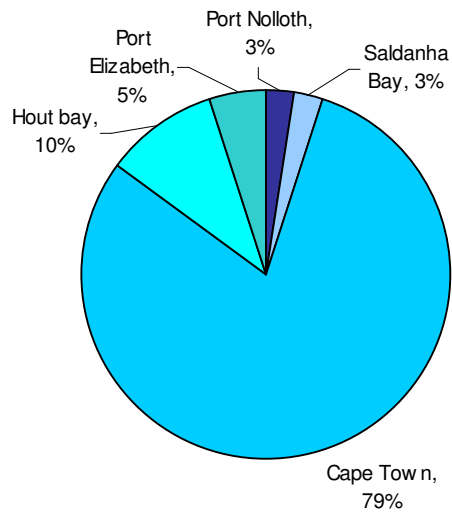
Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Crew	Rights fished	Owners
SWELLENDAM	RSA	18	78	240	1959	20	HACKY FISHING (PTY) LTD	HACKY FISHING (PTY) LTD
MFV PRINS WILLEM I	RSA	28.00	---	---	1968	20	SOUTH SEAS TRAWLING CO(PTY) LTD	MFV PRINS WILLEM VESSEL CO. (PTY) LTD
BLUE DOLPHIN	RSA	20	91	394	1966	20	MJ M CASULA FISHING CC	MJ M CASULA FISHING CC
SOUTHERN SAINT	RSA	50	---	---	1958	31	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD	PREMIER FISHING SA (PTY) LTD
PETRIE HEIN	RSA	21.00	---	---	1995	14	P & H FORWARD FISHING CC	PYPER
SAXON	RSA	24.00	---	---	1999	20	SCEPTRE FISHING PTY LTD	SAXON OFFSHORE FISHING CO. (PTY) LTD
CASABLANCA	RSA	36.30	---	---	1975	20	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD	VIKING FISHING CO (DEEP SEA) (PTY) LTD
CONNECT	AUST.	---	---	---	---	---	EAGLE CREEK INVEST. 250 (PTY) LTD	???

On first appraisal, it appears that the vessels operating in the tuna-directed fishery were substantially larger than in the swordfish-directed fishery (Table 2.24). On closer investigation, it becomes apparent that the size is not fishery-related, but rather flag-related, with the South Korean and Philippine vessels being an average  $49 \pm 3$  m in length, whilst the South African vessels averaged  $25 \pm 6$  m (excluding the 50 m Southern Patriot). This is also true for the age of the vessels, with the average year of construction for the South Korean and Philippine vessels being 1993 ( $\pm 3$  years) whilst average year in which the South African vessels (across both fisheries) were built was 1975, with a standard deviation of 15 years.

**Table 2.24.** A summary of some mean characteristics for tuna-directed and swordfish-directed vessels in the large pelagic longline fleet.

Characteristic	Tuna-directed	Swordfish-directed
Length (m $\pm$ Std Dev)	$43 \pm 12$	$28 \pm 9$
GRT (tons $\pm$ SD)	$433 \pm 322$	$120 \pm 48$
Horsepower (kW $\pm$ SD)	$507 \pm 228$	$332 \pm 80$
Crew ( $\pm$ SD)	$26 \pm 5$	$20 \pm 4$
Construction Year ( $\pm$ SD)	$1988 \pm 14$	$1977 \pm 15$

The vessels all have to land their catch in South Africa. Each rights holder has a designated landing harbour at which the nominated vessel must land its catch (Figure 2.21). Ninety-two percent of the catch was landed in the Western Cape in 2003, mainly in Cape Town. Two vessels landed their catch in the Eastern Cape, at Port Elizabeth, and one landed in Port Nolloth, in the Northern Cape.



**Figure 2.21.** Nominated fishing harbours at which the vessels in the South African large pelagic longline fleet are required to land their catch.

At present, some 700 crewmembers are employed on the vessels operating in the large pelagic longline industry. Probably in the region of half this number are South Africans.

### 3. NAMIBIA

#### 3.1 Introduction

The defining feature of the history of the Namibian fishing industry was the peculiar status the country enjoyed prior to its independence in 1990. Following the First World War the former colony of German South West Africa became a League of Nations Mandated Territory, administered by South Africa. As a result, its zone of exclusive economic authority could not be extended to 200 nautical miles when the rest of the world's maritime nations extended their EEZs. Although the South African Territorial Waters Act (87, 1963) extended direct control to 5 nm with a further 6 nm contiguous fishing zone, Namibia's offshore waters remained effectively open access. The consequence was heavy uncontrolled fishing by foreign (including South African) fleets. Major commercial species were exploited unsustainably and consequently collapsed. The post-independence Namibian Government attempted to rectify the problem by introducing a management programme to rebuild these resources and to shift control of processing from foreign to domestic hands. Stocks initially appeared to recover rapidly, though the small pelagic fishes have remained problematic; the pilchard stock in particular has experienced problems in recent years.

The Namibian fishery can be traced back to the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, when sealing and whaling off the Namibian coastline were recognised seasonal activities. An artisanal snoek-directed line fishery supplying dried fish also seems to date back to the 19<sup>th</sup> century. However, the early commercial industry was chiefly directed at pilchard. These and other small pelagic fishes constituted the bulk of the domestic industry prior to independence. Although higher value fish were caught in Namibian waters, the domestic fleet initially focussed primarily on pilchards (*Sardinops ocellatus*), and later anchovies (*Engraulis capensis*), both purse-seined, and further off shore on horse mackerel (*Trachurus capensis*) captured using a mid-water trawl.

In addition to small pelagics, a local rock-lobster fishery had developed by the 1930s. Cape rock lobster (*Jasus lalandii*) were caught and locally processed; tinned and frozen lobster tails being exported largely to the USA. Historically, this and fishmeal from the small pelagics were the two major products of the Namibian fishing industry. However, catches prior to 1970 were often considerably larger than they are currently, indicating that the rock lobster stock was mined unsustainably and seriously depleted.

Post 1990, the structure of the Namibian fishing industry has changed profoundly. Horse mackerel has become the most important species in Namibia in volume terms (57% of the total landed catch) while hakes (*Merluccius* spp) became the most important financially (roughly 65% by value).

After independence, the Namibian Government has stipulated three objectives for its fishery policies: (a) rebuilding fish stocks by basing management policies on sound research; (b) Use of taxes and levies to induce Namibianisation; and (c) use of fishing rights allocation to empower previously disadvantaged Namibians. Fishing rights of five, seven and 10 years were allocated in 1994. In 2001, these were changed to seven, 10, 15 and 20-year rights, to encourage investment. The number of years awarded to the rights holder depends on the amount of Namibian ownership, local investment in onshore facilities and vessels, local employment, and the introduction of innovative fishing related-activities (technology, markets, etc.).

In addition, Namibian fisheries policy has targeted on-shore handling and processing: hake quotas for freezer trawlers and wetfish vessels are allocated independently with an emphasis on the latter.

Unlike South Africa and Angola, the majority of Namibian fisheries are commercial, industrial scale operations. Those that target marine resources from the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem include the hake demersal trawl and longline fishery, monk and sole demersal trawl fishery, small pelagic purse seine fishery, the large pelagic fishery, the horse mackerel mid-water trawl fishery, deep-sea trawl fishery, red crab fishery and the west coast rock lobster fishery.

### 3.2 Small pelagics

The first reported small pelagic fish catching and processing operation in Namibia dates back to 1922. This was seven years after the South African occupation of what was then known as “German South West Africa”, when a factory ship with a few smaller catcher vessels began targeting pilchards from Walvis Bay. These fish were canned, reduced to fish oil, or ground into fishmeal. This venture failed financially. Nevertheless, after the end of the Second World War, interest in the harvesting and processing of pilchards in Walvis Bay was rekindled.

Experimentation with canning, oil and fishmeal production began in 1947, and three processing plants were ordered for Walvis Bay in 1948. The following year the authorities passed the sealing and fishing ordinance. This ordinance replaced Proclamation 18 of 1922, which had previously controlled the fishing industry in Namibia. The new ordinance required registration and licensing of all fishing vessels and processing plants, and introduced controls on total catch, closed seasons, etc. Even so, there were 100 vessels operating in the fishery four years later, and vessel numbers had to be restricted to a maximum of 24 vessels per company. At the same time, a maximum processing capacity was imposed on the processing plants. A closed season was also introduced, precluding fishing during the post-spawning period when fish would be in poor condition and oil yields low. Calculations of Total Allowable Catches (TAC) for pilchard at this stage were based on a foreign (Californian) model that was fine-tuned iteratively over time.

Catches were controlled until 1959; thereafter pressure rose for an increased TAC. From approximately 225 000 tons in the 1950s, it was increased to approximately 650 000 tons in the mid-1960s. The TAC continued rising and actual catches rose to over one million tons in 1967 and to over 1.5 million tons in 1968. This period also saw the return of some factory vessels for the processing of pilchards, though these disappeared again in 1970.

Pilchard Catch per Unit Effort peaked in the early 1960s, dropping steadily thereafter as recruitment fell and off-takes increased. When the decline became obvious, fishing companies were encouraged to diversify out of pilchard and into other small pelagic fishes, particularly anchovy. Mesh sizes were also effectively changed as 11 cm anchovy nets were introduced, introducing the problem of a juvenile pilchard by-catch.

Anchovy catches increased from 2650 tons in 1966 to more than 244 000 tons in 1971. A management strategy to reduce the anchovy population was implemented in the belief that it would encourage recovery of the sardine stock, and catches averaging 170 000t per annum were taken during the 1970s and 1980s, peaking at 376 000 tons in 1987. However, these catches decreased substantially during the 1990s and virtually no anchovy is currently caught off Namibia. The anchovy fishery originally emerged to provide material for fishmeal and oil plants after the decline of the anchovy catch. However, anchovies present fewer

opportunities for adding value than either pilchards or horse mackerel, and remain a lower value product.

The stock of small pelagic fish such as the pilchard and anchovy is naturally cyclical. Excessive fishing effort combined with a natural downturn in recruitment can easily cause a stock collapse. Despite the government’s commitment to sustainable fishing, the pilchard stock collapsed in 1993/4/5 and again in 1999 (as it had done after the heavy over-fishing of the late 1960s). By 2002, Namibia’s pilchard TAC was down to zero and the country was forced to import pilchard from Angola and South Africa in order to keep its canneries operational. The Namibian pilchard stocks then experienced a period of apparent recovery, with the TAC being set at 20 000 tons in 2003 and increased to 25 000 tons in 2004.

The Namibian small pelagic fishing industry is controlled by the setting and monitoring of pilchard TAC. Closed seasons and by-catch restrictions are implemented as additional management measures.

### 3.2.1 Rights holders

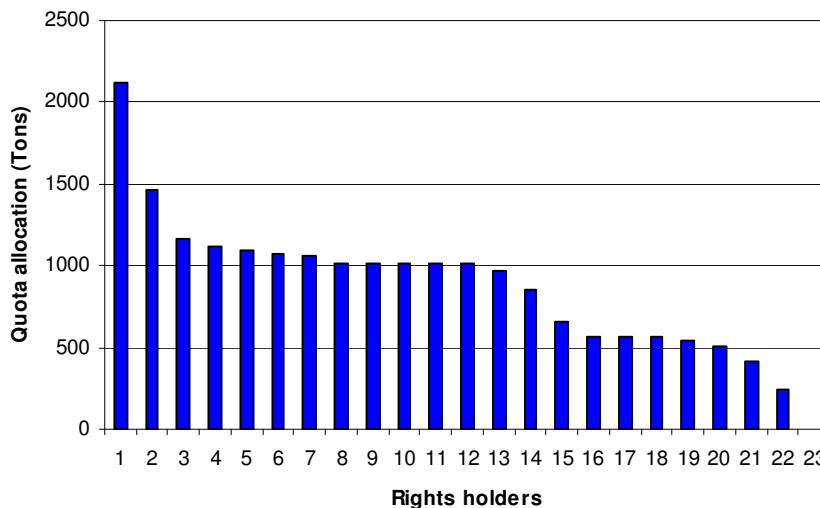
The Namibian small pelagic fish (pilchard) TAC is divided amongst 22 rights holders (Table 3.1). Compared to the South African small pelagic industry, quota is allocated relatively evenly amongst the rights holders (Figure 3.1). Only one company (GAB Fishing Enterprises, a joint venture company) had an allocation of more than 2000 tons for 2003; 50% of the rights holders received portions of between 1000 – 1500 tons, 36% received between 500 – 1000 tons, and two companies received less than 500 tons. There was no apparent relationship between allocations and the duration of rights; 32% were for seven years, 32% were for 10 years and 36% were for 15 years. No 20-year rights were awarded, which is reserved for companies that have completed 15 years in the industry, and employ more than 5000 employees in onshore processing operations.

**Table 3.1.** Rights holders in the Namibian pelagic purse seine fishery, and their allocations of small pelagic fishes in 2003. Asterisks indicate rights holders with processing facilities.

RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	PILCHARD ALLOCATION (Tons)
Auob-Eigelaar Joint Venture	7	1089
Buccaneer Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	10	563
Champion Ladies Fishing Company	7	655
Coenraad & AC van Dyk (Pty) Ltd	15	503
*Consortium (Evista) Fisheries Ltd	10	1122
Dun-AI Fishing (Pty) Ltd	15	1063
*Etosha Fishing Corporation (Pty) Ltd	15	4920
*GAB Fishing Enterprises	7	2125
*GENMIR Marine Resources	7	1464
Hentjies Bay People Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	1017
Hesko Fisheries (Pty) Ltd	10	559
Marine Development Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	1017
Matutura Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	1017
Meyiga Fishing Industries	7	964
Mukorob Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	1017
Namib Fisheries Limited	10	1158
Okahulo Fisheries	7	563
Oshakati Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	1017
Otjiwanda Fishing	7	240



RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	PILCHARD ALLOCATION (Tons)
Sarasas Development	10	1076
Silence Holdings (Pty) Ltd	10	536
Theart, JMC (Windhoek) (Pty) Ltd	15	412
<b>Total</b>		<b>24 097</b>



**Figure 3.1.** Pilchard quota allocations for the Namibian small pelagic purse seine fishery in 2003.

Five of the rights holders active in the fishery in 2003 were joint venture companies. These were GAB (Namsea, Namfish and Anibib), Auob-Eigelaar (Auob Fisheries and Eigelaars Belange), Champion Ladies (Champion Fishing and Ladies Fishing), Genmir Marine Resources (Gendev Namibia and Mirabilis Marine Resources), and Meyiga Fishing Industries (Namchild and Edelweiss Visserye). The rest were private companies. Two of the companies involved in the GAB joint venture (Namfish – Namibian Fishing Industries Limited and Namsea – Namibian Sea Products Limited) are listed on the Namibian Stock Exchange.

Of the four rights holding companies reported to have small pelagic fish processing facilities in 2003 (Fishing Industry Handbook, 2004) only two factories are currently (2005) active. These are the Etosha Fishing Corporation and United Fishing Enterprises (part of the Namsea group) factories. The small pelagic fish processing factories employed some 3000 people before the closure of the pilchard fishery in 2000. When two of the factories reopened in 2003, they only re-employed approximately 900 (mostly seasonal) workers. Recently (2005), United Fishing Enterprises announced their intention to implement further retrenchments of staff.

### 3.2.2 Vessels

The number of vessels participating in the small pelagic purse seine fishery has been declining steadily over the last few years. Some 45 vessels were active in the fishery in 1990; only 14 purse seine vessels were fishing for small pelagic fishes in 2003 (Table 3.2).

**Table 3.2.** The Namibian small pelagic purse seine fishing fleet active in 2003.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Namibian crew	Rights fished	Owners
Advance	Namibia	46	457	1140	1966	12	12	10	Etosha Fishing Corporation (Pty) Ltd
Atlanta	Namibia	39	431	800	1966	12	12	6	Namib Fisheries Limited
Atlantic Harvester	Namibia	48	614	2481	1975	13	13	6	Atlantic Harvesters of Namibia (Pty) Ltd
Christa List	Namibia	47	561	960	1966	14	14	2	Consortium Evista Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Coronella	Namibia	47	501	1577	1966	12	11	6	Eigelaars Belange (Pty) Ltd
Havsnurp	Namibia	43	415	1050	1966	14	12	4	GENDEV of Namibia Ltd
Hesko Two	Namibia	42	392	850	1966	15	15	6	Hesko Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Hoddevik	Namibia	43	362	750	1953	12	12	6	Silence Holdings (Pty) Ltd
Morgenster	Namibia	37	300	820	1967	11	11	8	Etosha Fishing Corporation (Pty) Ltd
Prowess	Namibia	46	531	1492	1960	12	12	10	Etosha Fishing Corporation (Pty) Ltd
St Padarn	Namibia	43	119	1000	1967	12	12	4	Namsea/Namfish/Sar usc. Joint Venture
Torsver	Namibia	46	564	2100	1965	14	14	6	GENDEV of Namibia Ltd
Verdi	Namibia	51	570	750	1966	10	10	4	Namib Fisheries Limited
Veslemari	Namibia	45	382	1500	1966	13	13	6	Namsea/Namfish/Sar usc. Joint Venture

The Namibian vessels were almost twice the size of their South African counterparts, but had similar crew complements (Table 3.3). All the crewmembers of the small pelagic fleet were Namibian nationals. Therefore, some 175 Namibians were employed as seagoing crew on the purse seine vessels.

**Table 3.3.** A summary of some mean characteristics for vessels making up the Namibian small pelagic fish purse seine fleet.

CHARACTERISTIC	TOTAL FLEET
Length (m $\pm$ Std Dev)	45 $\pm$ 4
GRT (tons $\pm$ SD)	443 $\pm$ 132
Horsepower (kW $\pm$ SD)	1234 $\pm$ 535
Crew ( $\pm$ SD)	13 $\pm$ 2
Construction Year ( $\pm$ SD)	1966 $\pm$ 5
% Local Flag	100%

All the vessels were locally owned and were operated under Namibian flags. Ten of the vessels were owned by or were in joint ventures with fish processing operations; four were

independent operators. All of the vessels operate out of Walvis Bay. In the 1960's the fishery was localised around Walvis Bay, but it now extends from north of Luderitz to just south of the Cunene River.

### 3.3 Mid-water Trawl (Horse Mackerel)

By volume, the mid-water trawl fishery for adult horse mackerel is the largest sector in the Namibian fishing industry. The fish was first targeted in this manner in the early 1960's; when annual catches in the region of 50 000 tons were first recorded. By the 1980's this volume had risen by an order of magnitude to 500 000 tons per annum, taken mainly by foreign fishing vessels from Cuba and Eastern European countries. After Namibian independence, the TAC was set at 465,000 tons, and has in subsequent years varied between 200,000 - 400,000 tons. It should be noted that the TAC includes both the mid-water trawl and purse seine fisheries. Horse mackerel catches in the mid-water trawl fishery stabilised within the 300 000 – 350 000 tons per annum range.

The demand for horse mackerel began with an emphasis on dried and salted fish; however, the proportion processed in this way fell until by 2000 only a small proportion was salted and dried on shore, mainly for the Congo/Kinshasa market. Currently most of the landings are processed directly on board and exported as a whole, round, frozen product to other African countries. The main reason for the discontinuation of the drying industry was that the market had experienced an economic downturn and no longer demanded the same quantities as in the previous period. Today there is no large-scale production of dried and salted horse mackerel in either South Africa or Namibia; however, the recent availability of alternative cheap fish (e.g. blue shark) has allowed some revival of commercial fish drying.

In 2003, Namibian horse mackerel exports suffered from a crisis in the Nigerian market, which absorbs about 50% of the total African small pelagic production. This resulted in a 30% decrease in horse mackerel prices (Eurofish, 2004).

Management measures for horse mackerel include an age-structured production model to assess the biomass stock, by-catch and minimum size restrictions, closed areas and minimum cod end mesh sizes are being implemented. A global TAC of 350 000 tons of horse mackerel was set for Namibia's 2003 fishing season.

#### 3.3.1 Rights holders

There are currently 13 rights holders in the Namibian mid-water trawl fishery (Table 3.4). All of the participants have 10-year rights, except Namsov Fishing Enterprises, which has a 15-year right. Namsov also has the largest portion, with more than 23% of the total allocation in 2003. The top five companies own 62% of the horse mackerel allocation. The rest is divided into portions of about 5.5% (three rights holders) or 4.5% (four rights holders), and one rights holder with about 4.0% of the allocation. All of the rights holding companies are based in Walvis Bay, except Mediva Fisheries, who are based in Windhoek. Dorsal Fishing (Pty) Ltd is a new entrant to the fishery.

**Table 3.4.** Rights holders in the Namibian mid-water trawl fishery, and their allocations for horse mackerel in 2003 - 2004.

RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	HORSE MACKEREL ALLOCATION (Tons)
Arechanab Fishing & Development	10	35828
Atlantic Harvesters of Namibia (Pty) Ltd	10	15603
Atlantic Sea Products (Pty) Ltd	10	19423
CeroCIC (Pty) Ltd	10	16455
Diaz Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	10	15488
Emeritus Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	13672
Erongo Seafoods (Pty) Ltd	10	23807
GENDEV of Namibia Ltd	10	19423
Kuiseb Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd	10	53821
Mediva Fisheries (Pty) Ltd	10	21923
Namsov Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd	15	81922
Omgwe Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	19423
*Dorsal Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	15000
<b>Total</b>		<b>351,788</b>

\*New Entrant, since 2003

Since most of the processing of mid-water trawled horse mackerel occurs at sea, on board the large trawlers, there is not much direct, shore-based employment in this fishery (apart from the management and support staff of the rights holding companies). Namsov attempted to introduce onshore canning of horse mackerel in Walvis Bay, but the venture was not successful. More recently, they have attempted to develop a filleted product for local processing.

### 3.3.2 Vessels

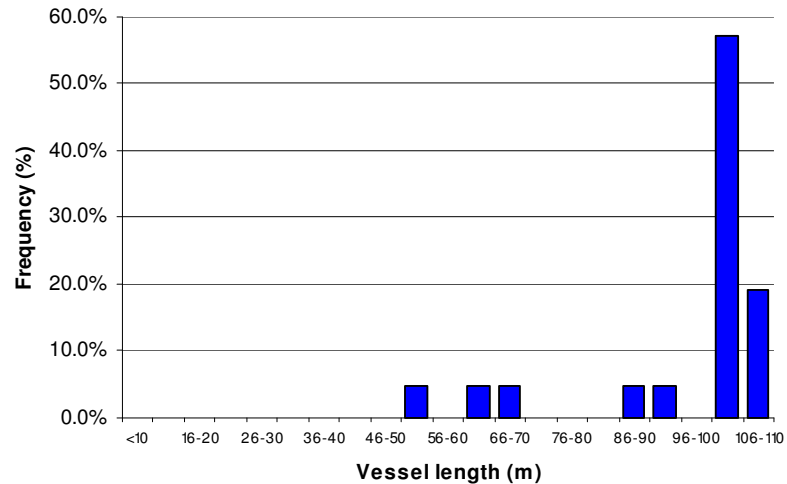
With the recent problems experienced in the Namibian small pelagic fishery, and the subsequent targeting of horse mackerel by some of the small pelagic fleet, it is becoming increasingly difficult to determine which vessels are dedicated mid-water trawlers, targeting exclusively in the Namibian adult horse mackerel resource. Table 3.5 lists the mid-water trawl vessels reported to be active in the fishery in 2003 -2004, from the Namibian Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources. Comparing the list of vessels in Table 3.5 to the MFMR's vessel catch statistics for 2003 -2004, it is probable that a further six vessels were active in the fishery; these being the Acrux, Eysk, Foros, Kapital Bogomolov, Sniper and White Shark.

**Table 3.5.** The Namibian horse mackerel mid-water trawl fishing fleet in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Namibian crew	Rights fished	Owners
Aleksey Generalov	Russia	110	5638	2700	1972	75	75	1	Not reported
Anouma	Mauritius	101	3989	2856	1979	55	15	1	Not reported
Desert Jewel	St Vincent	104.5	4407	5152	1983	79	22	1	Erongo Seafoods (Pty) Ltd
Desert Rose	St Vincent	104.5	4407	5152	1989	66	---	3	Erongo Seafoods (Pty) Ltd

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Namibian crew	Rights fished	Owners
Feolent	Cyprus	94	4410	5200	1981	74	20	1	Sea Traffic Ltd
Fortis	Russia	102	3834	2856	1976	65	---	1	Not reported
Galatis	Belize	102	3870	2856	1976	68	12	1	Not reported
Hunter	Russia	55	1895	882	1986	40	---	1	Not reported
Juno Endeavour	St Vincent	107	7765	5300	1989	80	---	4	Frozen Foods International Ltd
Juno Warrior	St Vincent	107	7765	5298	1989	80	---	3	Frozen Foods International Ltd
Marlin Two	St Vincent	86	3834	3824	1978	65	---	1	Daneswood Ltd
Mars	Russia	103	3382	5146	1982	75	---	1	Namsov Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd
Namibian Star	St Vincent	104	4407	5152	1989	75	15	1	Namsov Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd
Nikko Maru One	Namibia	65.2	1418	2134	1987	50	50	1	Trans Namibia Fishing (Pty) Ltd
North Wind	St Vincent	110	5640	5140	1978	75	---	1	Murmansk Trawl Fleet Company
Olenitsa	Germany	62.25	1895		1986	40	---	1	Not recorded
Rubicon	Belize	102	3870	5200	1977	68	20	2	Not recorded
Starfish Two	St Vincent	104	4407	5252	1992	75	---	2	Namsov Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd
Sunfish	St Vincent	104	4407	5152	1991	75	15	3	Namsov Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd
T Navigator	Belize	102	4069	2856	1983	68	12	1	Not recorded
Venus One	St Vincent	103	4407	5152	1989	75	10	1	Namsov Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd

The defining characteristic of the Namibian mid-water trawl fleet is the presence of leased Russian or formerly Russian vessels. These large vessels have been introduced to the fishery in an attempt to cut harvesting costs by achieving scales of economy. The average length of the vessels operating in the 2003 -2004 season was about 100 m; the largest vessel was 110 m and the smallest was 55 m (Figure 3.2). Twenty percent of the vessels listed in Table 3.5 were still registered in Russia; the majority (almost 62%) were registered under the popular “Flags of Convenience” for fishing vessels (i.e. Belize and St Vincent & the Grenadines). Only one vessel was registered in Namibia.



**Figure 3.2.** Length-frequency distribution of the vessels in the Namibian horse mackerel mid-water trawl fishery in 2003 - 2004.

The mid-water trawl fleet is made up of relatively modern vessels; the average year of construction was 1984, compared to an average of 1976 for the entire Namibian fishing fleet, across all fisheries.

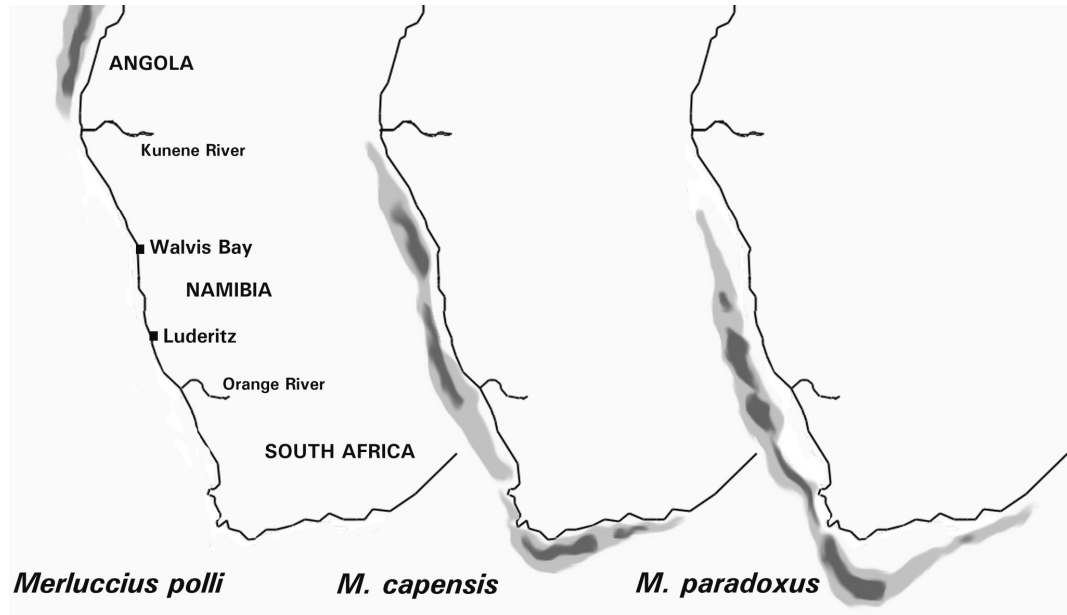
**Table 3.6.** A summary of some mean characteristics for vessels making up the Namibian horse mackerel mid-water trawl fleet.

Characteristic	Total Fleet
Length (m $\pm$ Std Dev)	97 $\pm$ 16
GRT (tons $\pm$ SD)	4273 $\pm$ 1571
Horsepower (kW $\pm$ SD)	4163 $\pm$ 1390
Crew ( $\pm$ SD)	25 $\pm$ 21
Construction Year ( $\pm$ SD)	1984 $\pm$ 6
% Local Flag	5%

The size of the crew varied considerably, ranging from 40 to 80 members (mean = 68 crewmembers, Table 3.6). The total number of sea-going crew employed by the mid-water trawl industry was in excess of 1425 people during the 2003 -2004 season; however, only about 19% were Namibian nationals. The issue of the “Namibianisation” of this fishery is being addressed, with rights holders undertaking to train and employ more Namibian crewmembers on these vessels.

### 3.4 Hake demersal trawl and longline

The hake fishery is currently the most valuable in the Namibian fishing industry. Like the South African hake fisheries, it is based on two species; the shallow water *Merluccius capensis* and the deeper water *M. paradoxus*. The shallow water species is more common in Namibia, with the presence of *M. Paradoxus* in the trawl catches increasing to the south. In South Africa, the deep-water species is more commonly trawled. A third species, the Angolan hake *M. polli* occurs north of the Kunene River, and is occasionally present in Namibian trawl catches in the north (Figure 3.3).



**Figure 3.3.** Approximate distribution of the three hake species in the BCLME.

Prior to independence in 1990, the fishery was largely in the hands of South African vessels and foreign distant water fleets. The fishery was ostensibly managed by the ICSEAF from 1972 until 1990. Hake catches peaked in the early 1970s, with the ICSEAF figures suggesting a harvest of 820 000 tons in 1972, of which only 5000 tons was caught by local vessels. This level of exploitation was unsustainable, and by the late 1970's the stock had declined sharply. Even so, during the 1980's approximately 200 000 - 350 000 tons of hake were taken from the Namibian waters per annum.

Post-independence conservatism led Namibia to reduce its global hake TAC to 55 000 tons in 1991. The TAC was subsequently steadily increased, with the 1999 – 2000 TAC being set at 210 000 tons. In 1999 the annual TAC (January – December) was replaced by a seasonal TAC (May – April). Recently, the TAC has been adjusted downwards, and was set at 180 000 tons for the 2003 – 2004 season. Once Namibia gained control of the fishery, demersal hake rapidly replaced the small pelagic fishery as the dominant sub-sector of the Namibian fishing industry. Unfortunately, falling prices (caused by small sized fish and a strong currency) have weakened the industry in the recent past.

The hake fishery is managed through access limitation (i.e. limited number of fishing rights), TAC allocation (through the individual quota property rights system), area and by-catch restrictions, mesh size regulations and the implementation of selectivity devices. Other management tools include a system of fees and levies, as well as monitoring, control and surveillance activities.

### 3.4.1 Rights holders

The hake demersal trawl and longline industry is the largest in the Namibian fishing industry, in terms of rights holder participation. The 38 hake rights holders make up nearly a quarter of all rights holders in the Namibian fishing industry. Some of these rights holding entities are joint ventures between a number of companies, further increasing the level of participation (Table 3.7). Just after Independence, only 17% of the hake resource was in Namibian hands;



recently Nichols (2004<sup>1</sup>) reported that some 96% of the hake quota was controlled by Namibian entities.

**Table 3.7.** Joint venture entities holding hake demersal trawl fishing rights, and their associated companies (Elago, 2004<sup>2</sup>). .

Rights holder	Joint Venture Participants
Atab Fisheries	Tulongeni Fishing Bravo Fisheries Afromark Marine (Pty)Ltd Atlan Fishing Co.
Cadilu Fishing & Group	Cadilu Ombaye Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Ekikimbo Fishing	Northern Fishing (Pty)Ltd Camill Fishing
Hatutungu Fishing Co.	Liambezi Fisheries Global Fishing Enterprises CC Blue Sea Fishing (Pty)Ltd BDO Eleven (Pty)Ltd Kaiseb Fishing industries (Pty)Ltd Ngatukondje Pamue Fishing Co
Morcar Fishing	Caroline Fishing Moria Fishing CC
Namboty Group of Co.	Ongodivi Marine Products Yambula Namibia (Pty)Ltd Tukanda Fishing company Bethanien Fishing Millenium Fishing Namibia Nam-sino Fisheries (Pty)Ltd
Omarkete Investment	Maria Fishing Kunene Aquatic Enterprises Namibian Kakwaya Fishing Omusati Development Trust Tega Fishing (Pty)Ltd (Atlantic Fishing) Ekango Fishing (Pty)Ltd Ambassador Fishing (Pty)Ltd Etaka Fishing (Pty)Ltd Tweya Fishing (Pty)Ltd
Omaru Consortium	Aonin Fishing/Rundu Fishing Old Man Fishing Co
Ompagona Fishing	Part of JV that forms Etale Fishing
Ozohi Fishing	Part of JV that forms Etale Fishing
The Rainbow Fishing	Cato Fishing Co. (Pty)Ltd Old Pensioners Company

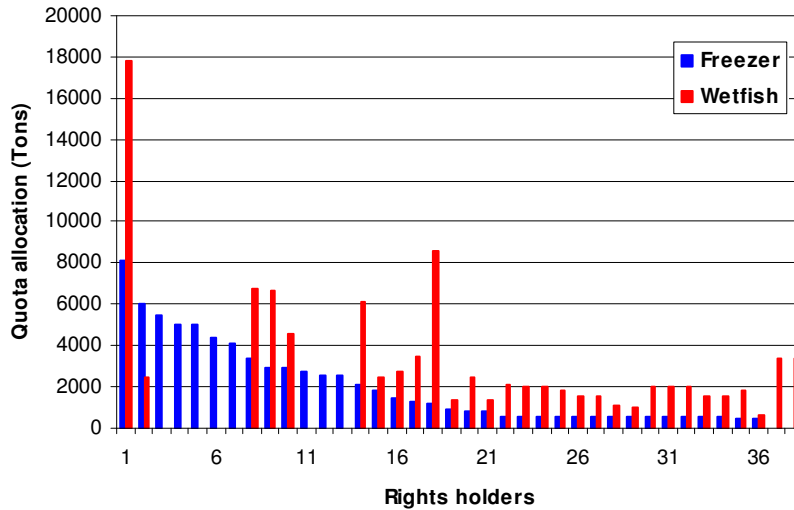
<sup>1</sup> Nichols, P. 2004. Marine Fisheries Management in Namibia. In Sumaila, U.R., Boyer, D., Skogen, M. and Steinshamn S.I. Eds. *Namibia's Fisheries: Ecological, Economic and Social Aspects*. pp 319-332. Eburon, Delft.

<sup>2</sup> Elago, P.N. 2004. Duration of Fishing Rights and Investment: An Empirical Study of Investment in Namibian Fisheries. Directorate of Policy, Planning and Economics, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources, Windhoek. pp 57

In 1992, Namibia began policy of Namibianisation of their domestic fisheries, including the promotion of land-based infrastructure and employment. In the hake demersal trawl fishery, this policy was promoted through the apportionment of hake trawl quotas as either “wetfish” (60% of TAC) or “freezer fish” (40%). As well as receiving the greater portion of the TAC, the wetfish sub-sector also paid lower levies. The rights holders and their wetfish and/or freezer apportionments are listed in Table 3.8. The quota allocated to the rights holders for freezer and wetfish are compared in Figure 3.4.

**Table 3.8.** The rights holders in the Namibian demersal trawl fishery, and their hake allocations for wetfish and freezer vessels in 2003 - 2004.

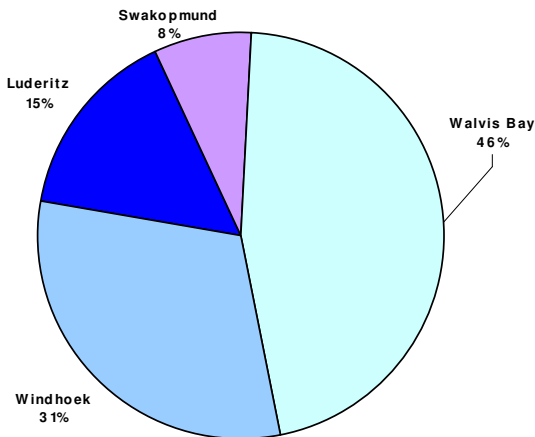
RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	WETFISH ALLOCATION (Tons)	FREEZER ALLOCATION (Tons)
Agatha Bay Fishing	15	1987	563
Ark Fishing Industries (Pty) Ltd	7	---	4338
ATAB Fisheries Consortium (Pty) Ltd	15	2450	803
Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd	7	1379	787
Cadilu Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd & Group	15	2508	6036
Consortium (Evista) Fisheries Ltd	10	6702	2928
Diaz Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	10	3370	---
Ehanga Holdings (Pty) Ltd	15	2013	563
Ekikimbo Fishing (Pty) Ltd	7	2483	1809
Empire Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	15	2028	563
Epata / GEFI SARH (Demersal Fishing)	7	---	5000
Erongo Seafoods (Pty) Ltd	10	1071	583
Hatutungu Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	15	---	2735
Helgoland Fishing Company	15	---	2588
Namib/Karibib Fisheries Ltd (Tunacor)	15	6088	2099
Kuiseb Fishing Products (Pty) Ltd	15	8628	1175
Lalandii (Pty) Ltd	7	4565	2918
Marco Fishing (Pty) Ltd	15	2028	583
Mbashe Fishing (Pty) Ltd	7	1007	583
Morcar Fishing (Pty) Ltd	7	1339	870
Namboty Group of Companies	15	631	424
NamCoast Fishing (Pty) Ltd	15	1850	480
Namibian Marine Resources (Pty) Ltd	7	2705	1468
Namibian Fishermen's Association (Pty) Ltd	15	1534	563
National Fishing Corporation Ltd (Fishcor)	15	6744	3354
Nautilus Fishing Enterprises	15	2012	583
Neoplan Fishing & Marine Products (Pty) Ltd	10	1527	583
NovaNam Fishing Industries	15	17847	8158
Omarkete Investments (Pty) Ltd	10	3513	1254
Omaru Consortium	7	3396	---
Ompagona Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	10	1527	563
Omuhuka Trawling (Pty) Ltd	15	2117	583
Oryx Fisheries	15	---	5028
Overberg Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	15	---	5440
Ozohi Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	1527	583
South Namibian Hake Fishing Association	15	---	2600
The Rainbow Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd	7	---	4115
Walvis Bay Small Boat Owners Association	15	1813	583
<b>Total</b>		<b>98,389</b>	<b>73,886</b>



**Figure 3.4.** A comparison of rights holder quota allocations for freezer vessels and wetfish vessels in 2003 - 2004, for the Namibian hake demersal trawl and longline fishery.

The Namibian government’s wetfish/freezer fish policy is a contentious one within the hake demersal trawl industry, and there have been calls to review it. Although the operational costs of the wetfish and freezer vessels are apparently similar, there is greater risk involved in the wetfish operation, as well as the added cost of processing on shore. These costs are defrayed somewhat by larger quotas and a higher value, better quality export product. However, the recent decline in catches, the smaller size of the fish being caught, overcapacity of both wetfish vessels and land-based processing factories, combined with the strength of the Namibian dollar, has led to severe financial tension in the wetfish sub-sector (Japp, pers comm.<sup>3</sup>).

The hake rights holding entities were mostly based in the Walvis Bay / Swakopmund region (52%, Figure 3.5), followed by Windhoek (31%), with only 15% from Luderitz.



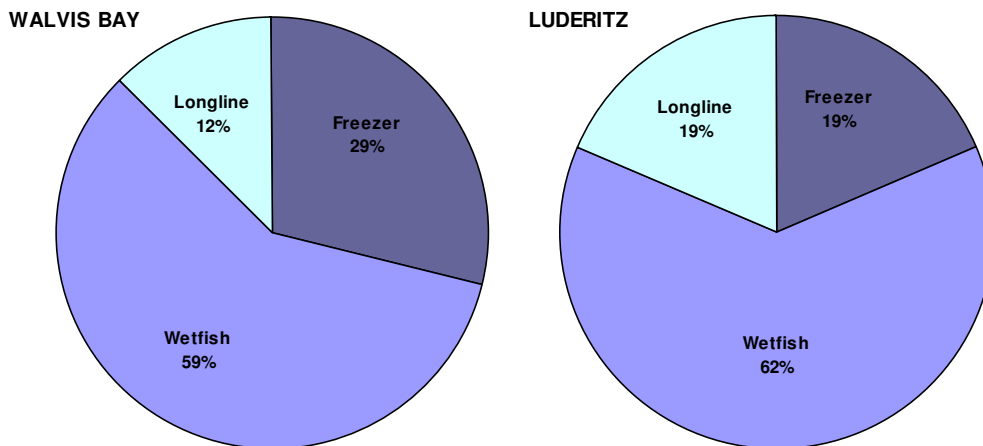
**Figure 3.5.** Demographics of hake demersal trawl rights holders in Namibia, 2003 – 2004.

<sup>3</sup> Dr David Japp, Fisheries & Oceanographic Support Services CC, Cape Town, South Africa

This demographic is not reflected by the processing sector. Of the 15 factories recorded in the 2004 survey as servicing the hake industry, 60% were located in Luderitz and 40% were in Walvis Bay. An estimated 3750 permanent staff and an additional ± 1000 seasonal staff (total 4750) were employed by the hake processing factories in 2004. Recent developments (since the 2004 survey) indicate an industry in trouble and undergoing a process of restructuring. The closure of the Blue Ocean Products factory in Walvis Bay resulted in at least 200 jobs lost, and the liquidation and subsequent buy-out of the Lalandii factory in Luderitz by the NovaNam Group of companies will probably result in more jobs being shed.

### 3.4.2 Vessels

Of the 140 or so vessels fishing in the Namibian demersal hake fishery in 2003 – 2004, approximately 69% were based in Walvis Bay, and 31% in Luderitz. The hake fleet consists of freezer, wetfish and longline vessels, which occur in slightly different proportions in the two ports (Figure 3.6). Analysis of hake fishing effort by Japp (pers comm.) indicates that the freezer vessels generally steam south from Luderitz and Walvis Bay to fish at latitudes of between 24 – 28 °S. The wetfish and longline vessels tend to fish closer to their home port as they need to return to port to offload and process their catch on land. The Luderitz vessels head south towards the South African border, whilst the Walvis Bay wetfish and longline vessels fish between latitudes 19 – 22 °S.



**Figure 3.6.** The percentage of freezer, wetfish and longline vessels making up the demersal hake fishing fleet in Walvis Bay and Luderitz.

During the 2003 -2004 fishing season approximately 36 freezer trawlers, 84 wetfish trawlers and 20 longline vessels were active in the hake demersal fishery (Table 3.9). Unlike South Africa, there is no dedicated hake quota allocation for longliners in Namibia. Longline vessels are allowed access to the hake fishery by fishing against a wetfish quota allocation.

**Table 3.9.** The Namibian hake demersal trawl and longline fishing fleet in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. Crew	Right fished	Owners
<b>FREEZER TRAWLERS</b>										
Aldubaran	F	Namibia	25	212	960	1985	16	14	2	Hesko Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Alvamar Siete	F	Namibia	63	1002	1466	1987	54	44	4	Welwithcia Property Holdings
Blue Sea One	F	Namibia	67	1380	1940	1977	46	46	1	Blue Sea Fishing Co.
Campa Del Infanzon	F	Namibia	73	1780	2700	1974	61	42	2	Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Conbaroya Quarto	F	Namibia	57	1269	3300	1988	65	55	1	Coastal Marine Industries
De Giosa T	F	Namibia	65	1399	2133	1970	61	52	1	Oryx Fisheries
Echalar	F	Namibia	72	1745	3000	1974	59	43	1	Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Emanguluko	F	Namibia	31	483	1850	1990	4	4	1	Cap Frio Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Emanguluko	F	Namibia	31	483	1850	1990	27	23	1	Glomar Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
First Lady Kovambo	F	Namibia	90	3900	3600	1979	60	53	2	Irvin & Johnson Limited
Frans Aupa Indongo	F	Namibia	61	821	1600	1974	42	34	2	Calo Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd
Green Sea	F	Namibia	66	1272	2140	1969	48	38	1	Blue Sea Fishing Co.
Helgoland	F	Namibia	27	182	775	1988	16	15	1	Helgoland Fishing Co.
Kalahari	F	Argentina	72	1758	2700	1974	54	44	1	Kalahari Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Katima	F	Namibia	51	830	1200	1973	38	31	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Ludwani	F	Namibia	36	350	1470	1983	18	18	1	Caroline Fishing
Mar Del Cabo	F	Namibia	88	1655	2000	1965	56	47	5	Venture Fishing ( (Pty) Ltd
Maracaibo	F	Namibia	27	270	750	1979	21	17	1	Voorbok Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Merlus One	F	Namibia	74	1758	1471	1974	69	60	2	Merlus Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Ocean Victory Two	F	South Africa	82	2246	2200	1974	85	85	1	Sea Harvest Corporation (Pty) Ltd
Ocean Wave	F	Namibia	38	339	1324	1974	26	26	1	Blue Ocean Products (Pty) Ltd
Ohamba	F	Namibia	40	634	1700	1974	30	27	1	Seaflower Whitefish Corp.
Okombahe	F	Namibia	27	245	750	1978	20	17	3	Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Oshakati	F	Namibia	50	850	1200	1974	38	31	3	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Overberg Two	F	Namibia	33	486	867	1994	28	23	1	Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Pemba Bay	F	Spain	44	562	1496	2002	40	34	4	Copemat, S.A.

Vessel	Type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. Crew	Right fished	Owners
Pescapuerta Cuarto	F	Spain	73	1627	2000	1985	46	40	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Rainbow	F	Argentina	81	1774	2014	2002	70	36	1	Canida Fishing Co.
Ribadavia	F	Namibia	67	1676	2700	1974	54	45	2	Pescanova Fishing Industries (Pty) Ltd
Ribadeo	F	Namibia	72	1582	2700	1973	51	42	2	Pescanova Fishing Industries (Pty) Ltd
Rolmar Dos	F	Namibia	41	631	1700	1974	30	21	1	Orchidea Fishing Co.
Rosendo Da Vila	F	Namibia	70	1285	2000	1967	56	38	3	Cadilu Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd & Group
Southern Aquarius	F	Namibia	54	1154	3000	1974	48	48	2	Gendor Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Torra Bay	F	Namibia	60	1558	2000	1998	64	55	5	Torra Bay Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Ukhozi	F	South Africa	28	302	625	1980	29	29	1	Protea Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd
Ulzama	F	Spain	33	264	1100	1992	20	11	1	Pesquera Vasco Gallera SA
Vezilifa	F	Namibia	70	1903	2206	1973	65	54	7	Capensis Fishing Company
Whitby	F	Namibia	27	193	800	1977	15	14	1	Gendor Fishing (Pty) Ltd
<b>WETFISH TRAWLERS</b>										
Alicia	W	South Africa	42	453	1104	1975	22	18	2	CMI Trawling Ltd
Almaz	W	Russia	48.1	754	1350	1989	26	26	2	Juzhnyy Rybopromslovyy Flot.
Amaro	W	Namibia	31.33	378	1000	1988	20	17	1	Amaro Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Arbat	W	Russia	55	1400	1618	1979	35	18	3	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Baldur Ama	W	Namibia	45.55	489	1268	1978	20	20	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Bardi	W	Namibia	48	909	2350	1979	25	24	2	Prestige Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Begonia	W	Namibia	44	686	1500	1981	22	21	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Carina	W	South Africa	42	453	1104	1975	21	17	2	C M I Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Chantal	W	Namibia	34	250	2000	1974	18	17	1	Corvima Investments
Congasa	W	Namibia	40	513	1200	1981	25	21	3	Coastal Marine Industries
Cyndan	W	Namibia	24	114	570	1976	12	11	1	Walvisbay Small Boat Owners Ass.
Dantago	W	Namibia	27	257	746	1978	18	17	2	Atlantic Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
DAR 314	W	Namibia	23	178	570	1988	10	9	1	Namibia Marine Products (Pty) Ltd
Diaz	W	Namibia	54	683	2000	1972	21	18	1	Diaz Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd
Diaz Two	W	Namibia	58	609	1550	1967	21	18	1	Diaz Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd

Vessel	Type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. Crew	Right fished	Owners
Empire	W	Namibia	48	498	1200	1976	23	21	2	Empire Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd
Empire Two / Kamanjab	W	Namibia	53	609	1550	1968	23	21	1	Empire Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd
Equihennois	W	Namibia	35	581	1104	1987	24	23	3	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Erica	W	Namibia	44	686	1500	1981	22	22	2	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Etale Star	W	Namibia	47.1	741	1800	1977	24	23	2	Etale Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd
Fengur	W	Iceland	26	184	585	1984	11	11	3	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Fisher Bank	W	Namibia	48	838	1472	1972	22	22	2	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Geyzer	W	Mauritius	55	899	1620	1979	27	27	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Goelette	W	Namibia	43	690	2000	1974	21	17	1	Pescanova Fishing Industries (Pty) Ltd
Harvest Nicola	W	Namibia	35	581	1104	1999	24	23	3	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Harvest Veronica	W	South Africa	35	544	976	1966	25	25	1	Sea Harvest Corporation (Pty) Ltd
HEL 153	W	Namibia	23	177	570		10	8	4	Cadilu Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd & Group
HEL 154	W	Namibia	26	177	570	1990	10	9	2	Cadilu Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd & Group
Holmatindur	W	Namibia	47	802	2000	1974	32	28	1	Seaflower Whitefish Corp.
Hurinis	W	Namibia	37	784	1200	1987	32	32	1	Atlantic Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Kanus	W	Namibia	46	790	1454	1975	24	24	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Karas	W	Namibia	43	880	2000	1974	21	17	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Keetmans	W	Namibia	41	576	1500	1979	21	17	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Khomas	W	Namibia	40	842	1700	1974	21	17	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Khorixas	W	Namibia	48	790	2000	1912	21	17	2	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
KM 0861	W	Russia	23	117	354	2001	10	10	1	Obedinyonnaya Morskaya Comp
KM 0863	W	Russia	23	117	354	2001	10	10	1	Obedinyonnaya Morskaya Comp
KOL 184	W	Namibia	24	106	570	1979	10	8	1	Agatha Bay Fishing
Kolmanskop	W	Namibia	34	341	1350	1980	21	17	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Kombat	W	Namibia	40	641	1454	1976	20	20	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Komukandi	W	Namibia	46	790	1454	1975	23	19	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Kowares	W	Namibia	46	790	1454	1975	23	19	1	Skeleton Coast Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Kvazar	W	Russia	50	744	852	1999	17	17	1	Yuzhnyy rybopromyslovyy flot



Vessel	Type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. Crew	Right fished	Owners
Merlus One	W	Namibia	73.65	1758	1471	1974	69	60	1	Merlus Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Namib Five	W	Namibia	23	155	570	1977	10	8	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Namib One	W	Namibia	24	115	600	1976	10	9	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Namib Three	W	Namibia	24	132	600	1982	11	11	1	Voorbok Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Namib Two	W	Namibia	24	102	600	1980	10	9	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Neavera	W	Namibia	55	837	1800	1972	21	19	2	Nautilus Fishing Enterprises
Nemanskiy	W	Russia	57	747	798	1987	17	17	1	Yuzhnyy ryboprornyslovyy flot
Nicole	W	Namibia	25	208	578	1986	11	11	1	Foodcon (Pty) Ltd
Nicole	W	Namibia	25	208	578	1986	11	11	1	Foodcon (Pty) Ltd
Northern Phoenix	W	Namibia	54.97	841	1600	1982	25	23	1	City Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Ocean Tide	W	Namibia	42	558	1125	1972	25	23	1	Blue Ocean Products (Pty) Ltd
Ocean Wave	W	Namibia	38	339	1324	1974	26	26	2	Blue Ocean Products (Pty) Ltd
Ohamba	W	Namibia	40	634	1700	1974	30	27	1	Seaflower Whitefish Corp.
Omuhuka	W	Namibia	42	453	1500	1972	25	21	1	Omuhuka Trawling (Pty) Ltd
Oshakati	W	Namibia	50	850	1200	1974	38	31	1	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Otter Bank	W	Namibia	48	838	1576	1987	22	21	2	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Pescapuerta Cuarto	W	Spain	73	1627	2000	1985	46	40	1	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Poble De Campello	W	Namibia	28	346	1160	1989	20	17	1	Poble De Campello (Pty) Ltd
Proton	W	Russia	50	739	3490	1988	17	17	2	Yuzhnyy ryboprornyslovyy flot
Rex	W	Namibia	50	491	2000	1973	34	32	1	Seaflower Whitefish Corp.
Rolmar	W	Namibia	43	447	950	1981			1	Orchidea Fishing Co.
Shearwater Bay	W	Namibia	34	354	1800	1982	24	23	2	Marco Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Ulzama	W	Spain	33	264	1100	1992	20	11	1	Pesquera Vasco Gallera SA
UST200	W	Namibia	25	102	600	1980	10	9	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
UST201	W	Namibia	25	102	600	1980	10	9	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
UST78	W	Namibia	24	107	600	1979	10	9	2	Namib / Karibib
UST81	W	Namibia	24	107	570	1978	13	12	1	Agatha Bay Fishing
UST83	W	Namibia	24	107	600	1979	10	9	2	Namib / Karibib

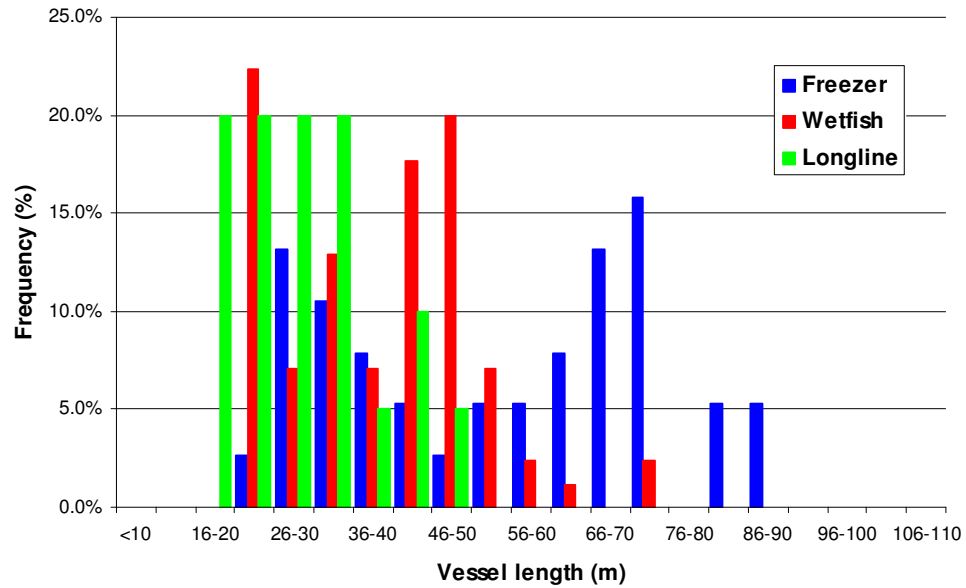
Vessel	Type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. Crew	Right fished	Owners
Victory	W	United Kingdom	29	510	1286	1998	16	10	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Vieirasa Tres	W	Namibia	62	1135	2000	1965	26	22	3	Cadilu Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd & Group
Wiron Five	W	Namibia	32	441	1200	1984	24	24	2	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Wiron Six	W	Namibia	32	444	1180	1984	25	21	2	Pamwe Fishing (Pty) Ltd
WLA 308	W	Namibia	24	132	570	1982	10	9	2	Karibib Fisheries Ltd
Yoko-Tani	W	Namibia	28	268	960	1986	11	11	1	Hesko Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Za Lesye	W	Russia	31	193	224	1979	10	10	1	Vlak Co. Ltd
Zambezi	W	Namibia	43	375	1500	1973	26	25	2	Neoplan Fishing & Marine Prod. (Pty) Ltd
Zambia	W	Namibia	43.31	650	1350	1973	25	25	1	Etale Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd
Zamora	W	Namibia	47	650	1500	1973	19	18	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Zeila	W	Namibia	43	672	1606	1975	19	17	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Zenica	W	Namibia	43.25	672	1151	1974	23	23	2	Etale Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd
Zogi	W	Namibia	43	672	1500	1975	19	18	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Zula	W	Namibia	24	188	625	1985	11	11	1	Hesko Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
<b>LONGLINERS</b>										
Benguella King	L	Namibia	31.14	165	496	1964	25	25	2	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Beta	L	Namibia	21.78	107	495	1971	25	25	2	Agatha Bay Fishing
Blomeha	L	Namibia	29	164	800	1970	19	17	2	Marco Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Boston Wayfarer	L	Namibia	28	174	528	1963	13	13	1	Hangana Seafood (Pty) Ltd
Cato	L	Namibia	28	149	720	1962	25	25	1	Swordfish Namibia (Pty) Ltd
Cheetah	L	Namibia	29	109	335	1967	18	18	2	Khoi-Khoi Enterprises
Christiaan Beyers	L	Namibia	23	117	450	1965	25	23	1	Marine Corporation Namibia (Pty) Ltd
Christine	L	Namibia	21	100	346	1969	20	20	1	Seaflower Whitefish Corporation Ltd
Elenga Bay	L	Namibia	24	279	624	2001	26	24	1	Marco Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Greenland	L	Namibia	33	219	552	1965	20	17	4	Booventure Fishing company (Pty) Ltd
Holmatindur	L	Namibia	47	802	2000	1974	32	28	1	Seaflower Whitefish Corp.
Leandra	L	Namibia	19.91	100	388	1999	25	25	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Palinurus	L	South Africa	44	424	1035	1961	22	11	1	Palinurus Fishing Vessel Company

Vessel	Type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. Crew	Right fished	Owners
Penduka Bay	L	Namibia	20	133	470	2002	25	23	1	Marine Corporation Namibia (Pty) Ltd
Rolmar	L	Namibia	43	447	950	1981	20	20	2	Orchidea Fishing Co.
Spencer Bay	L	Namibia	33	318	460	1981	26	24	1	Namibia Seafood Industries (Pty) Ltd
Tangeni Bay	L	Namibia	35	305	624	1980	30	27	1	Tangeni Investments (Pty) Ltd
Vondeling	L	South Africa	20	91	342	1963	25	25	1	Vondeling Fishing
Voorbok	L	Namibia	20	106	504	1968	25	25	1	Namibian Fishermens Association (Pty) Ltd
West Coast Two	L	Namibia	37	265	600	1973	30	28	1	Epupa Fishing (Pty) Ltd

The characteristics of the three types of vessels are summarised in Table 3.10. At first glance, it appears that size is a defining characteristic of the three types of vessels. However, closer analysis of these characteristics (e.g. vessel length, in Figure 3.7) shows that two distinct types of freezer vessels were present in the hake fishing fleet. There was group of smaller vessels (mean length =  $32 \pm 5$  m), comparable in size to the smaller wetfish and longline vessels, and a group of larger freezer vessels, almost twice the size (mean length =  $67 \pm 11$  m). The wetfish trawlers were a relatively diverse group, most ranging in length from 20 – 60 m. The longline vessels were more homogenous, with 80% of the vessels falling in the 15 – 35 m length range.

**Table 3.10.** A summary of some mean characteristics for the freezer trawlers, wetfish trawlers and longline vessels making up the Namibian demersal hake fleet in 2003 – 2004.

Characteristic	Freezer Fleet	Wetfish Fleet	Longline Fleet
Length (m $\pm$ Std Dev)	55 $\pm$ 20	40 $\pm$ 13	30 $\pm$ 9
GRT (tons $\pm$ SD)	1071 $\pm$ 759	529 $\pm$ 343	229 $\pm$ 173
Horsepower (kW $\pm$ SD)	1814 $\pm$ 771	1242 $\pm$ 567	636 $\pm$ 374
Crew ( $\pm$ SD)	43 $\pm$ 20	21 $\pm$ 10	24 $\pm$ 5
Construction Year ( $\pm$ SD)	1980 $\pm$ 10	1980 $\pm$ 11	1974 $\pm$ 14
% Local Flag	82%	81%	90%



**Figure 3.7.** Length-frequency distribution of the freezer trawler, wetfish trawler and longline vessels in the Namibian demersal hake fishery in 2003 - 2004.

The process of Namibianisation is well advanced in the hake fleet. At least 81% of the trawlers and 90% of the longliners were registered as Namibian vessels (Table 3.9). Most ( $\pm$  85%) of the approximately 3822 crewmembers employed on the vessels in 2003 – 2004 were Namibians (Table 3.11).

**Table 3.11.** Namibian employment on the three types of vessels in the demersal hake fishery in 2003 -2004.

Vessel type	Total crew	Namibian crew	% Namibian crew
Freezer trawler	1630	1356	83.2%
Wetfish trawler	1727	1455	84.3%
Longliner	465	423	91.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3822</b>	<b>3234</b>	<b>84.6%</b>

### 3.5 Monk and sole demersal trawl

The Namibian monkfish fishing grounds stretch from the Orange River in the south to the Kunene River in the north. Fishing normally takes place at depths of 300 to 400 m. Two species are caught; *Lophius vomerinus* (which makes up about 94% of the catch) and *L. vaillanti* (~ 6%).

Until 1994, monkfish were caught off Namibia as part of the by-catch from the hake demersal trawl fishery. Although monkfish catches have been reported off Namibia since the 1960's, the first documented catch statistics date back to ICSEAF records, beginning in 1974.

Namibia-specific catches date back to 1981 (Maartens and Booth, 2001<sup>4</sup>) and catches were in the 1000 – 3000 ton per annum range until after independence. In 1991 catches began to rise, tripling to more than 9000 tons over the following three years. In 1994 the Namibian government decided to open a monkfish-directed fishery, with a hake by-catch. Provision for a sole directed fishery was included in the new monkfish legislation.

The monkfish fishery was initially effort-controlled, through power restrictions on the vessels ( $\leq 800$  HP) and by limiting the number of vessels operating in the fishery. With the subsequent increase in boats targeting monkfish the catches increased to more than 12000 tones in 1994, with the hake demersal trawlers still taking as much as 30% of the total monkfish landed as by-catch.

Approximately 12000 tones of monkfish were landed on average between 1994 and 1997. Record landings of around 17000 tones were attained during 1998 with landings decreasing again to around 14000 in 1999. In 2001 the management procedure for monkfish was changed from an effort controlled fishery to a quota managed fishery. Initially the quota for the 2001 fishing season was set at 13000 tons but was adjusted to 12000 tons for the 2003 - 2004 and 2004 – 2005 fishing seasons. The TAC is a global one, and must be shared between the monkfish-directed and the hake-directed fisheries. Other control measures include a minimum trawling depth (XXX m) and minimum mesh size of 75 mm for the trawl net's cod-end. Even so, the majority of the fleet uses a mesh size of either 110 or 120mm.

### 3.5.1 Rights holders

There are nine rights holders in the demersal trawl monk and sole fishery (Table 3.12). The total quota allocated to the rights holders from the global monkfish TAC was about 11 400 tons (95%) for 2003 – 2004.

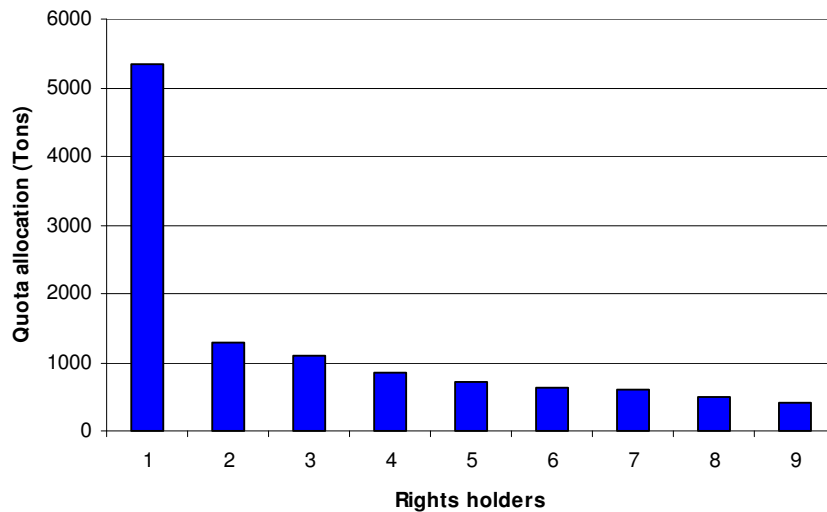
**Table 3.12.** The rights holders in the monk and sole demersal trawl fishery, and their monkfish allocations for the 2003 – 2004 fishing season.

RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	MONKFISH ALLOCATION (Tons)
Belinda Fishing Namibia (Pty) Ltd	15	416
Frebeca Fishing (Pty) Ltd	7	5351
Helgoland Fishing Co.	15	1100
National Fishing Corporation Ltd (Fishcor)	15	492
Nexus Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd	7	1278
Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	851
Oviwana Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	722
Twafika Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd	10	634
Voorbok Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	599
<b>Total</b>		<b>11,443</b>

The quota allocations were not evenly distributed between participants, with Frebeca Fishing (Pty) Ltd receiving 47% of the total monkfish-directed allocation (Figure 3.8). Frebeca Fishing is a joint venture company consisting of Freddie's Fisheries (Pty) Ltd, Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd, and Caroline Fishing (Pty) Ltd. There are two other joint venture rights holding entities. These are the Nexus Fishing Company (Cato Fishing (Pty) Ltd, Masilahi

<sup>4</sup> Maartens, L. and A.J. Booth. 2001. Quantifying commercial catch and effort of monkfish *Lophius vomerinus* and *L. vaillanti* off Namibia. In Payne, A.I.L. et al (Eds). A decade of Namibian Fisheries Science. *S. Afr. J. Mar. Sci.* **23**: 291 - 306

Fishing (Pty) Ltd and Black Rock Fishing (Pty) Ltd and the Oviwana Fishing (Pty) Ltd (Ovitoto Fishing (Pty) Ltd, Oshiwana Fishing (Pty) Ltd and Atlantic Sea Products (Pty) Ltd) joint ventures.



**Figure 3.8.** A comparison of rights holder quota allocations for monkfish in the Namibian monk and sole fishery, for the 2003 – 2004 season.

Almost all of the rights holding entities are based in Walvis Bay (78%); one rights holder’s offices (the National Fishing Corporation) are located in Luderitz, and another in Windhoek (Oviwana Fishing). All of the catch from the monk and sole fishery is landed at Walvis Bay

### 3.5.2. Vessels

On average, 18 demersal trawlers were active in the monk and sole fishery at any one time during the 2003 – 2004 season. Most of the monkfish quota was caught by freezer trawlers (representing 89% of the fleet). The fish is processed (headed and gutted) and frozen at sea. However, the Frebeca joint venture used two wetfish trawlers, in addition to freezer trawlers, to catch its quota (Table 3.13). The catch from these vessels was processed by Calidu Fishing (Pty) Ltd, a multi-species (although primarily hake) processing factory. The Frebeca group also has a dedicated shore-based monkfish trimming and packing factory, called Benguella Sea Products. The frozen monkfish tails are exported to Europe.

**Table 3.13.** The Namibian monk and sole demersal trawl fishing fleet in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Vessel type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. crew	Rights fished	Owners
Aldubaran	Freezer	Namibia	25	212	960	1985	16	14	1	Hesko Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Amaro	Wetfish	Namibia	31	378	1000	1988	20	17	2	Amaro Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Arthur M	Freezer	Namibia	23	180	770	1988	17	17	1	Nexus Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd
Atlantic Fisherman	Freezer	Namibia	21	99	570	1965	18	17	1	Belinda Fishing Namibia (Pty) Ltd
Benguella Triumph	Freezer	Namibia	25	127	510	1956	10	10	1	Bellevanti Fishing

Vessel	Vessel type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. crew	Rights fished	Owners
Bianca	Freezer	Namibia	31	256	1500	1973	12	12	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Boston Jaguar	Freezer	Namibia	28	174	528	1966	13	12	1	Nexus Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd
Helgoland	Freezer	Namibia	27	182	775	1988	16	15	1	Helgoland Fishing Co.
Letitia	Freezer	Namibia	26	160	750	1968	14	14	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Lisinda	Freezer	Namibia	30	187	800	1973	18	18	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Lorraine	Freezer	Namibia	31	188	584	1967	12	12	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Ludwani	Wetfish	Namibia	36	350	1470	1983	18	18	1	Caroline Fishing
Lynette	Freezer	Namibia	30	277	1030	1973	18	18	1	Benguella Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Maracaibo	Freezer	Namibia	27	270	750	1979	21	17	1	Voorbok Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Okombahe	Freezer	Namibia	27	245	750	1978	20	17	2	Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Overberg Two	Freezer	Namibia	33	486	867	1994	28	23	1	Overberg Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd
Oviwana	Freezer	Namibia	23	182	775	1988	16	16	1	Oviwana Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Twafika	Freezer	Namibia	38	486	1020	1990	17	16	2	Twafika Fishing Enterprises (Pty) Ltd

The demersal trawl vessels targeting monkfish were significantly smaller than the hake-directed demersal trawlers. The monkfish freezer vessels were nearly half the length of their hake counterparts. The majority (61%) of the monkfish-directed trawlers had a horsepower rating of 800 kW or less, dating back to the time when the fishery was Effort-controlled (Table 3.14).

**Table 3.14.** A summary of some mean characteristics for the demersal trawl vessels making up the Namibian monk and sole fishing fleet in 2003 – 2004.

Characteristic	Total Fleet	<801 kW Horse Power vessels	>800 kW Horse Power vessels
Length (m ± Std Dev)	29 ± 5	27 ± 4	33 ± 5
GRT (tons ± SD)	247 ± 113	182 ± 48	350 ± 109
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	857 ± 279	688 ± 114	1121 ± 255
Crew (± SD)	17 ± 5	16 ± 4	19 ± 5
Construction Year (± SD)	1978 ± 11	1975 ± 11	1984 ± 9
% Local Flag	100%	100%	100%
Number of vessels	18	11	7

The number of vessel-based employees in the monk and sole fishery in 2003 -2004 was approximately 305 crewmembers, of which 93% were Namibian nationals. Total employment (land and vessel-based) resulting from the monk and sole fishery alone is probably in the region of 350 people, but this is difficult to estimate due to the cross-linkages with employment in the hake fishery.



### 3.6 Cape (West Coast) rock lobster

The Namibian rock lobster industry began in the early 1920's, when the first factories were established at Lüderitz. Commercial catches were initially recorded in 1958, when the first limitation on rock lobster fishing was applied under ICSEAF management. By this time, about 4040 tons of rock lobster was being harvested per year. By the 1960's the figure had risen to 8860 tons per year. Exploitation at this level was not sustainable and the catch began to drop off considerably. The situation was allegedly compounded in the mid 1970's by adverse environmental conditions which had an effect on lobster growth and recruitment, leading to a further decline in catches.

Catches continued to drop into the 1980's. After independence, the Namibian government set a generous TAC of 1200 tons for rock lobster (in 1991), but only about 375 tons were caught. The following year the TAC was drastically cut to 100 tons. Over the next 10 years the TAC was gradually increased until 400 tons was reached in 2001, as the stocks recovered. Nevertheless, the rights holders have struggled to fill their quotas. The rock lobsters have not recovered as quickly as anticipated; In the White Paper of 1991<sup>5</sup> the Ministry expected the stock to reach an annual TAC of 500 tons over a period of five years and 2000 – 3000 tons annually in the long term. The rock lobster TAC for the 2003 – 2004 fishing season was 405 tons.

Apart from the TAC allocations, other management measures include effort restrictions, closed areas and closed seasons.

#### 3.6.1 Rights holders

The rock lobster TAC is apportioned between 21 rights holders. Quota allocations for the 2003 – 2004 season are recorded in Table 3.15. Three entities (14% of the rights holders) had 48% of the allotted TAC for the year (Figure 3.9). These entities were the Seaflower Lobster Corporation, Atushe Lobster Company (Pty) Ltd and Aloe Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd. Seaflower is the largest lobster factory in Luderitz, processing some 66% of the entire annual catch. It is also one of the original lobster operations in Luderitz, and is a subsidiary of the National Fishing Corporation, a government owned entity. Atushe and Aloe are joint ventures consisting of four companies each. One of the companies making up the Atushe joint venture is Lalandii, also one of the original lobster operations in Namibia, and the only other lobster factory in Luderitz in 2004<sup>6</sup>, processing 33% of the annual catch.

**Table 3.15.** The rights holders in the Namibian west coast rock lobster fishery, and their quota allocations for 2003 - 2004.

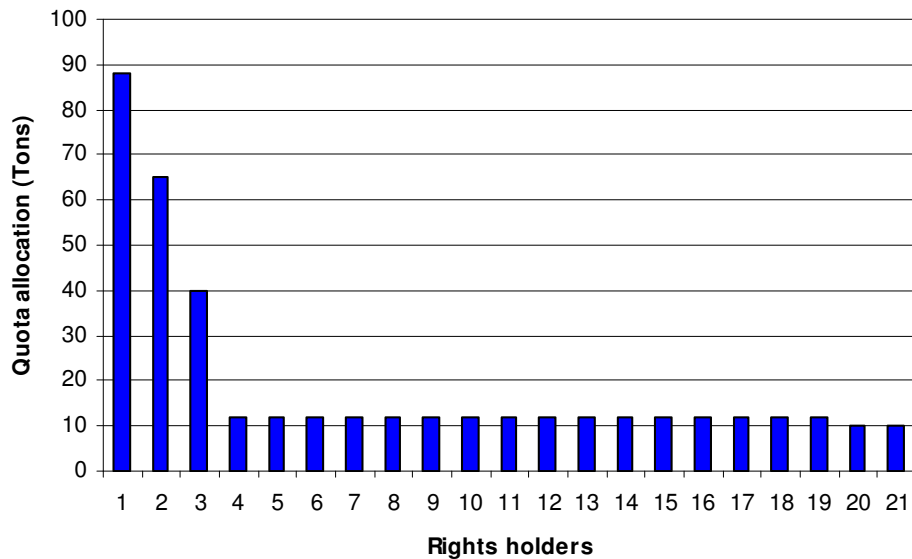
RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	ROCK LOBSTER ALLOCATION (KG)
Aloe Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	10	40000
Andrews, S	15	12000
Atushe Lobster Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	65000
Blohema Fishing (Pty) Ltd	15	12000
Epoko Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	12000

<sup>5</sup> The White Paper on Fisheries Policies. 1991. "Towards the Responsible Development of the Fishing industry in Namibia."

<sup>6</sup> Lalandii has subsequently gone into liquidation, and has been bought out by the NovaNam group; the factory is now (2006) run by Pomona Lobster Packers (Pty) Ltd, a joint venture company made up of nine rock lobster rights holders.

RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	ROCK LOBSTER ALLOCATION (KG)
Golden Horizon Fishing JV	15	12000
Kakoro, H	15	12000
Lawrence, JA	15	12000
Luderitz Pioneers (Pty) Ltd	15	10000
Martins Den Fisheries	15	12000
Omulonga Fishing Co. (Pty) Ltd	15	12000
P.R.I.M. Fishing	15	12000
Plaatjie, A	15	12000
R & FO Fishing (Pty) Ltd	15	12000
R.P.M.G. Fishing	15	12000
Schoombe, D	15	12000
Schroeter, JA	15	12000
Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd	15	88000
Shoremillkol (Pty) Ltd	15	10000
Victor, D	15	12000
Von Ast, RI	15	12000
<b>Total</b>		<b>405,000</b>

The rest of the rights holders shared similar quota allocations. Besides Aloe and Atushe, there were three other joint venture entities holding rights in the fishery. They are listed in Table 3.16.



**Figure 3.9.** A comparison of rights holder quota allocations for Namibian rock lobster in the 2003 – 2004 season.

**Table 3.16.** Joint venture entities holding west coast rock lobster fishing rights, and their associated companies (Elago, 2004<sup>7</sup>).

Rights holder	Joint Venture Participants
Aloe Fishing	Seafood distributors Kosis Fishing Sea Products Seagull Fishing
Atushe Lobster Company	Lalandii Jeselto Bogenfels Omungua
Golden Horizons	Season Fisheries New Generation New Horizon Fishing
R & F.O. Fishing	Rasco Fishing F.O. Fishing
Shoremillkol (Pty)Ltd	Kolmanskop Millenium Fishing Shoreline Fishing

Almost all of the west rock lobster rights are long-term (15 years). Only Aloe Fishing Company (Pty) Ltd was awarded a medium term (10 year) right.

All of the Namibian rock lobster rights holding entities were located in Luderitz, from which the lobster fleet operates. Approximately 175 people derived shore-based employment from the two lobster factories in Luderitz. For the most part, whole, raw or cooked lobsters are exported frozen from the factories to Japan. Logistical issues limit the type of product that can be exported from Luderitz; for example, the ability to export the animals live to international markets would substantially increase the value of the fishery.

### 3.6.2 Vessels

Like the South African rock lobster fishery, the Namibian rock lobster resource is targeted using rigid traps deployed from trap-boats, as well as hoop-nets from dinghies. However, unlike South Africa, where the fishery is divided into an inshore (hoop-net) and offshore (trap) sub-sector, these activities are not mutually exclusive in Namibia. Although the vessels operate from Luderitz, the fishing grounds are some distance away. There are three fishing areas, based on their location to Luderitz; south, which is about 12 hours steaming from port, central ( $\pm$  3 hours) and north (4 – 7 hours). The trap-boats carry (or more commonly, tow) 2 – 4 dinghies with them to the fishing grounds. The traps are deployed offshore, and then the dinghies are towed inshore, where they deploy their hoop-nets. The Namibian rock lobster trap-boat fishing fleet for the 2003 – 2004 season is listed in Table 3.17. A summary of the fleet is presented in Table 3.18. The dinghies are not included in the Table.

<sup>7</sup> Elago, P.N. 2004. Duration of Fishing Rights and Investment: An Empirical Study of Investment in Namibian Fisheries. Directorate of Policy, Planning and Economics, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources, Windhoek. pp 57

**Table 3.17.** The Namibian rock lobster trap-boat fishing fleet in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Namibian crew	Rights fished	Owners
Archer	South Africa	15	42	145	1952	16	16	1	Ferro Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Arctic	South Africa	40	614	1343	1978	36	36	1	Eyethu Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Bluefish	Namibia	19	66	178	1986	10	10	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Capt. Hendrick Witbooi	Namibia	14	25		2001	10	10	1	Not recorded
Eric John	Namibia	15	41	150	1953	12	12	1	Seafood Distributors (Pty) Ltd
Ghoeriemans	Namibia	14	20	115	1979	10	10	3	Seafood Distributors (Pty) Ltd
Goldfish	Namibia	19	66	176	1983	11	11	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Helen	Namibia	19	75	183	1961	11	11	3	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Heroes Day	Namibia	13	32	180	2003	12	12	1	P.R.I.M. Fishing
Kwaggaskop	Namibia	15	42	137	1955	3	3	1	Shoreline Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Lady Mbako	Namibia	15	32	215	2002	12	12	3	Not recorded
Lil Meha	Namibia	19	25	240	2003	12	12	1	Luderitz Lobster Consortium
Marlene	Namibia	19	64	335	1962	10	10	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Moira	Namibia	18	60	187	1964	11	11	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Moonfish	Namibia	17	50	239	1965	3	3	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Oceana Marlin	Namibia	19	66	178	1984	11	11	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Patience	Namibia	13	12	90	1999	12	12	2	Not recorded
Skipper Hansen	Namibia	21	77	299	1964	10	8	2	Prestige Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Sonia	Namibia	18	60	335	1964	12	12	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
South West Albatross	Namibia	18	69	180	1963	11	11	3	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
South West Fulmar	Namibia	18	64	174	1962	2	2	3	Plaatjie, A
South West Kingfisher	Namibia	19	64	178	1962	11	11	2	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
South West Malagas	Namibia	19	64	174	1962	2	2	3	Luderitz Lobster Consortium
South West Penguin	Namibia	18	96	170	1963	11	11	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
South West Plover	Namibia	19	65	180	1956	12	12	1	Luderitz Lobster Consortium
South West Sea Hawk	South Africa	53	446	330	1953	8	8	1	Smith, GW
South West Seafarer	Namibia	15	38	195	1951	10	10	1	Schroeter, JA
South West Seagull	Namibia	19	59	178	1964	3	3	1	Seaflower Lobster Corporation Ltd
Southern Horizon	South Africa	14		140	1990	10	10	1	Premier Fishing SA (Pty) Ltd
Therona	Namibia	14	37	140	1946	12	12	1	Fourie, SJ
Tina	South Africa	17	53	215	1980	15	15	1	Joenardo Fishing CC

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Namibian crew	Rights fished	Owners
Tina Two	Namibia	6	5	170	1990	4	4	1	Not recorded
Tomren	South Africa	15	29		1946	13	12	1	Ferreira, JP
Weskus Eight	Namibia	20	67	228	1968	12	12	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Weskus Five / Koichab	Namibia	20	65	228	1967	12	11	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Weskus Four/ Konkiep	Namibia	20	66	228	1965	12	12	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Weskus Seven	Namibia	19	67	228	1968	12	11	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Weskus Six	Namibia	20	66	228	1967	12	12	1	Lalandii (Pty) Ltd
Zanzibar	Namibia	19	68	295	1960	4	4	1	Calo Fishing Co (Pty) Ltd

**Table 3.18.** A summary of some mean characteristics for vessels making up the Namibian rock lobster trap boat fishing fleet.

Characteristic	Total Fleet	Namibian vessels only
Length (m ± Std Dev)	19 ± 8	18 + 4
GRT (tons ± SD)	79 ± 114	54 + 21
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	231 ± 200	201 + 57
Crew (± SD)	11 ± 6	10 + 4
Construction Year (± SD)	1971 ± 17	1971 + 17
% Local Flag	85%	100%

The summary presented in Table 3.18 is skewed by the presence of two large South African vessels (Artic = 40 m; South West Seahawk = 53 m) in the fishery. Removing these vessels presents a more accurate picture of an average-sized Namibian trap boat. Most of the vessels were between 13 – 20 m.

The total number of crew on the vessels active in the rock lobster fishery during the 2003 – 2004 fishing season was estimated to be about 440 members. Almost all of the crewmembers were Namibian (± 99%).

### 3.7 Deep-sea red crab

The red crab (*Chaceon maritae*) is a deep sea species found on the continental shelf off Namibia, from north of Luderitz all the way up the west coast of Africa to Cote d'Ivoire. The Namibian fishing grounds are located between latitudes 17°15' to 21°00' South, in waters from 500 to 800 m deep.

The deep-sea red crab fishery first started in Namibian waters in 1973, when three Japanese vessels began to target the resource. Their success attracted other operators, and by the end of 1974 the fleet had grown to 17 vessels. Catches peaked at approximately 10 000 tons in 1983, but this level of exploitation was unsustainable, and the annual landings declined to 3000 tons in 1991. Management of the species by Total Allowable Catch limitations was introduced in 1989, but the initial TACs of 6000 tons were unrealistically high. Catches remained below 3000 tons per annum, and the TAC was adjusted downwards to 2000 tons

in 1997. Although there have been some minor fluctuations, the TAC has remained at this level to date (2005).

The TAC is based on length-based cohort analysis from catches and biomass surveys and growth rates established by tag, release and recapture. The deep-sea red crab fishery is also managed by the use of minimum size limits ( $\geq 85$  mm carapace width) and the exclusion of fishing at depths shallower than 400 m. The stock is shared with Angola and Namibia, who have initiated joint research activities and stock assessments. The females in particular migrate between the Namibian and Angolan fishing grounds, probably to spawn. Although some trawling of the species occurs in Angola, the Namibian stock may only be fished using traps. A rights holder who catches red crab in both territorial waters has noted that the Namibian crabs are on average larger than the Angolan crabs, indicating that the Angolan stock is overexploited; probably through illegal fishing.

### 3.7.1 Rights holders

The Namibian deep-sea red crab fishery was developed, and has since been exploited by Japanese fishing companies from 1973. A local company entered the fishery with two vessels in 1976, but withdrew in 1979. After independence, when Namibia’s current system of fishing rights was instituted, the two traditional Japanese companies (AMSTAI and Oshimada Fishing) took on local shareholders and were awarded red crab quota under the new dispensation. Aquamarine Fishing, a Namibian company, was also awarded quota, in 1993 (Table 3.19). Of the three rights holders active in the fishery in 2003 -2004, two had 10-year rights and one had a seven-year fishing right.

**Table 3.19.** The rights holders in the red crab trap fishery, and their quota allocations for the 2003 – 2004 fishing season.

RIGHTS HOLDER	RED CRAB ALLOCATION (Tons)
AMSTAI (Pty) Ltd	762
Aquamarine Fishing of Namibia	571
Oshimada Fishing (Pty) Ltd	667
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,000</b>

Two of the rights holding entities were based in Windhoek; the third was located in Walvis Bay. There are no shore-based processing operations associated with the fishery, as all processing is carried out at sea, on the large factory ships. Products include claws and sections from the larger crabs, legs from medium sized crabs, and crab flakes from the smaller crabs. All the products are exported frozen to Japan.

### 3.7.2. Vessels

The red crab is targeted by large vessels using Japanese-style (beehive) baited traps attached to demersal long-lines. About 400 - 500 traps are attached per line, and they are deployed for between 24 - 120 hours per set. The size of the fleet has decreased over the years, from a high of 17 vessels in the 1970’s, five in the 1980’s, three in the 1990’s to only two actively fishing vessels in the 2003 – 2004 season (Table 3.20).

**Table 3.20.** The Namibian red crab trap fishing fleet in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Namibian crew	Rights fished	Owners
Crab Queen One	Namibia	49	619	1000	1989	34	25	2	Aquamarine Fishing (Taiyo Namibia (Pty) Ltd)
Fukuzen Maru No. 2	Namibia	56	443	1176	1976	8	8	1	Luderitz Lobster Consortium

Both vessels were of Japanese origin, sailing under the Namibian flag. They operated out of Walvis Bay. Almost 79% of the 42 sea-going crewmembers were Namibian nationals.

### 3.8 Large pelagics

Of all the commercial fisheries in Namibia, the large pelagic fishing industry is the most difficult to summarise. It is a relatively new, multi-species fishery, in which tunas, swordfish and pelagic sharks are targeted, by pelagic longliners and pole & line vessels (also called bait-boats). The Namibian-controlled large pelagic fishery only started in 1991, after independence, although foreign longliners had been catching tuna in Namibian waters under South African licence for many years prior. The fishery has been evolving since its inception. Initially, tuna was the target species (mainly the southern albacore, *Thunnus alalunga*) using pole & line vessels, a method developed by Portuguese tuna fishermen who had been active in the region prior to independence. During the 1990's a combined fleet of about 30 local and foreign-owned pole & line vessels caught between 1000 – 3500 tons of tuna per annum using this method.

In 1993, a new sub-sector of the tuna fishery began to take shape, where foreign pelagic longliners started targeting big-eye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) in Namibian waters, for the high-value sashimi market. The catches for this component of the tuna fishery were also highly variable, ranging from 15 - 750 tons per year (Table 3.21).

The Namibian tuna fishery developed into the “large pelagic” fishery when swordfish and pelagic sharks were included. The swordfish component developed from an experimental fishery that was initiated in 1996, using pelagic longliners. Although initial catches were poor ( $\pm$  50 tons over three years), they increased to 730 tons in 1999. In 2003, swordfish catches dropped to about 190 tons for the year (Table 3.22).

**Table 3.21.** Annual catches for the various groups of fish making up the large pelagic fishery in Namibia, since independence (from Fishbase- South East Atlantic Capture Fisheries, FAO 2005).

Species	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Albacore	-	2,241	3,524	3,075	1,861	1,521	1,199	1,429	1,162	2,418	3,419	2,962
Big-eye tuna	-	-	-	751	352	63	46	16	423	589	640	312
Sharks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	794
Swordfish	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	730	469	751	744

The fourth component of the Namibian large pelagic fishery is that of the pelagic sharks. Blue and mako sharks are targeted in the main, using pelagic longliners. From Table 3.21 it is clear that recently sharks have become the largest component of the Namibian pelagic longliner catches; almost double the amount of the tuna and swordfish catches combined.



**Table 3.22.** A comparison of total catch for the fishes making up the large pelagic fishery, by longline and pole and line vessels, in 2003 (from NFI, 2006<sup>8</sup>).

Component	Longline catches (tons)	Pole and line catches (tons)
Tuna	982	2,389
Sharks	1,853	682
Swordfish	178	13
Other	152	109

During the 2004 – 2005 season, the pelagic longline fleet targeted mainly sharks and swordfish ( $\pm 40\%$  each of the total catch), with yellow fin tuna, big-eye tuna and marlin making up the rest of the catch. The pole & line fleet catch was made up almost entirely of albacore (long-fin tuna), which is mainly caught in the vicinity of the Tripp Seamount, with peak catches in March and April.

Namibia has been a full member of the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT) since 1999, and all participants in the large pelagic fishery are required to abide by ICCAT regulations. Approximately 4000 tons of tuna were allocated to Namibia from the global tuna TAC for the south Atlantic region. In 2002, the Namibian government managed to secure an ICCAT country quota of 890 tons for swordfish, escalating to 1140 tons in 2006.

Aside from the ICCAT country quota allocations for tuna and swordfish, other management strategies in the Namibian large pelagic fishery include an ICCAT catch documentation scheme, gear restrictions (pelagic longline and pole & line fishing only) and effort limitation through controlling longliner vessel access to the fishery. In addition, pole & line vessels must add value to their catch through onshore processing. While longline caught tuna is exported fresh, pole & line caught tuna is used for canning. Canning took place in Walvis Bay between 1993 and 1997 but was discontinued, and is now canned abroad.

### 3.8.1 Rights holders

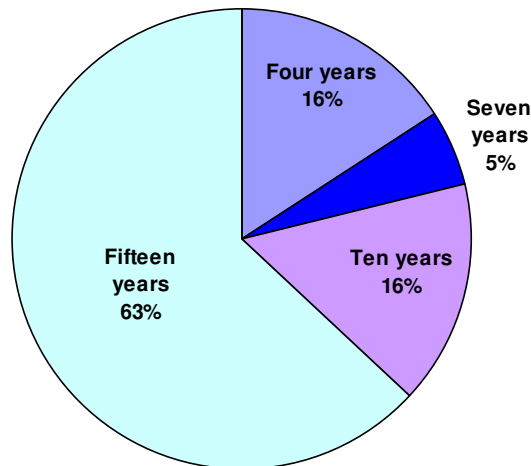
All the entities that hold fishing rights for large pelagic fishes in Namibia are listed in Table 3.23. The MFMR rights register lists the rights holders as large pelagic, longline and pole & line. This is reflected in the Table. The majority of the rights holders were based in Walvis Bay (76%); the rest are in Luderitz (24%) during the 2004 season. The duration of the large pelagic fishing rights are summarised in Figure 3.10.

**Table 3.23.** The rights holders in the large pelagic fishery, and their fishing methods.

Right holder name	Longline	Pole & line
African American Trading Co. (Pty) Ltd	✓	
Agatha Bay Fishing	✓	
Blohema Fishing (Pty) Ltd	✓	✓
Epupa Fishing (Pty) Ltd	✓	

<sup>8</sup> Namibian Fishing Industry website, [www.nfi.com.na/recent\\_stats.html](http://www.nfi.com.na/recent_stats.html)

Right holder name	Longline	Pole & line
Etosha/Oontangu Joint Venture	✓	
Inter Namibia Enterprises	✓	✓
Khoi-Khoi Enterprises	✓	
Khoisan Fishing CC	✓	
Marine Corporation Namibia (Pty) Ltd	✓	
Mercury Tuna Corporation	✓	
Namibia Marine Products (Pty) Ltd	✓	
Namibia Seafood Industries (Pty) Ltd	✓	✓
Namibia Seafood Industries Sashimi (Pty) Ltd	✓	
Namibian Tuna Fishing (Pty) Ltd	✓	✓
National Fishing Corporation Ltd (Fishcor)	✓	
National Pelagic Industries (Pty) Ltd	✓	
Ondjaba Fisheries	✓	
Oshazinga GRD Joint Venture	✓	
Possessions Fishing	✓	
Prestige Fishing Co	✓	✓
Smokeries Fishing	✓	✓



**Figure 3.10.** The percentage of large pelagic rights holders with four, seven, ten and fifteen-year fishing rights, during the 2003 – 2004 fishing season.

### 3.8.2 Vessels

The longline and pole & line vessels that were linked to the Namibian large pelagic rights holders are listed in Table 3.24. Recent trends in the large pelagic industry have shown a move away from the pole & line vessels by Namibian large pelagic rights holders, to the more economical pelagic longliners. The pole & line vessels operating in Namibian waters are mostly foreign (some 20 vessels, mainly South African) fishing under some form of catch agreement with the local rights holders. Table 3.23 does not include the foreign pole & line tuna fishing fleet.

**Table 3.24.** The Namibian large pelagic longline and pole & line fishing fleet as registered with the MFMR in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Vessel-type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. crew	Rights fished	Owners
Agriao	Longline	South Africa	24	171	825	1999	20	10	1	Not recorded
Atlantic Challenger	Longline	Namibia	21	91	239	1966	25	25	1	Seaflower Lobster Corp. Ltd
Baltik	Longline	Namibia	29	137	800	1964	20	20	1	Not recorded
Blue Dolphin	Longline	South Africa	20	91	394	1966	20	20	1	MJM Casula Fishing CC
Byr	Longline	Namibia	35	465	720	1972	17	11	1	Not recorded
Carrizo Dous	Longline	Spain	26	92	286	1999	16	13	1	Marcelino Martinez Otero
Cecil G White	Longline	Namibia	25	115	454	1950	14	11	1	Smokeries Fishing
Daan Viljoen	Longline	South Africa	21	61	228	1960	17	17	1	Vieira & Sons Fishing CC
Endeavour	Longline	South Africa	16	66	240	1985	25	---	1	Knobel Brian
Hesko	Longline	Namibia	25	204	574	1975	17	17	1	African American Trading Co. (Pty) Ltd
Intersea Twenty-One	Longline	Namibia	20	127	320	1976	18	4	1	New Mexico CC
Itxaropena Berria / Lucas	Longline	Namibia	20	146	480	1993	16	11	1	Mark Twenty One (Pty) Ltd
Jui Hsuan Three	Longline	Taiwan	33	228	600	1981	22	---	1	Not recorded
Kentucky	Longline	South Africa	21	80	317	1959	20	20	1	Kentucky Fishing CC
Liper	Longline	Namibia	26	149	575	1993	25	22	1	Namibian Tuna Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Mal Amanhado	Longline	MAR	29	171	820	1998	21	11	1	De Gama, Jose Antonio Quintal
Marino Primero	Longline	Namibia	20	135	240	1991	24	23	1	Helgoland Fishing Co.
Mito Maru Sixty-Five	Longline	Japan	48	379	950	1990	22	---	1	Yokota Chiro
Oceana Amythest	Longline	South Africa	20	92	300	1969	18	18	1	Starlight Fishing CC
Oceana Rocket	Longline	South Africa	20	84	300	1959	20	20	1	Fernandes Joao Manuel Da Costa
Oceana Topaz	Longline	South Africa	20	86		1967	20	20	1	Douglas H Fishing CC
Oubaas Fritz	Longline	South Africa	23	92	350	1960	16	16	1	Mictel Fishing CC
Pakamani	Longline	South Africa	21	117	375	1975	25	25	1	Pakamani Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Petrie – Hein	Longline	South Africa	20	99	335	2001	22	3	1	Pyper PJ
Principe	Longline	Namibia	25	174	700	1983	18	16	1	Khoisan Fishing CC
Radiant Star	Longline	South Africa	15	26	172	1974	15	15	1	Radiant Fishing CC

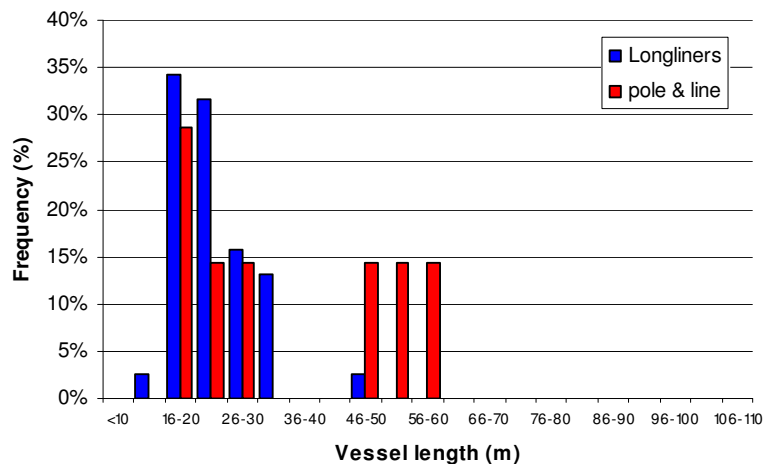
Vessel	Vessel-type	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. crew	Rights fished	Owners
Rijger	Longline	South Africa	19	59	228	1957	20	20	1	De Sousa Fishing
Sandalene	Longline	South Africa	---	79	---	1963	16	4	1	Estrela Domar Fishing CC
Sandveld One	Longline	South Africa	19	72	340	1988	6	3	1	Palzet Visserye CC
Sandveld Three	Longline	South Africa	19	72	220	1958	18	18	1	Palzet Visserye CC
Sao Miguel	Longline	Namibia	22	121	495	1971	12	10	2	Marco Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Silver Marlin	Longline	South Africa	21	98	250	1964	20	20	1	South Rock Fishing CC
Southern Cross	Longline	South Africa	28	225	---	1964	20	20	1	South West Trawlers CC
Thor	Longline	United Kingdom	31	194	800	2001	13	9	1	Venesba Fishing
West Coast One	Longline	Namibia	22	98	1323	1982	26	21	2	Epupa Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Kory Maru Eighteen	Pole & line	Japan	56	696	1000	1984	23	---	1	Not recorded
Kory Maru Twenty	Pole & line	Japan	49	379	1500	2000	24	---	1	Not recorded
Nelita C	Pole & line	Namibia	19	66	228	1965	21	20	1	Blohema Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Santa Monica	Pole & line	South Africa	29	225	550	1964	22	22	1	SA Tuna Export. (Pty) Ltd
Starfish	Pole & line	South Africa	23	85	305	1963	25	25	1	Gomes Horacio De Nascimento Da Silva
Sun Tai Three	Pole & line	Philippines	55	619	1000	1984	27	---	2	Not recorded

The Namibian longline and pole & line vessels are compared in Table 3.25. It is clear from Figure 3.11 that the pole & line fleet consisted of two distinct groups during the 2003 – 2004 season. The first group were large Asian flagged vessels of approximately 50 m in length; the second group consisted of smaller, southern African flagged vessels ranging in length from 19 – 29 m.

Most (95%) of the pelagic longline vessels were between 15 – 35 m in length. The one large (> 45 m) longline vessel operating in the fishery was a Japanese vessel. Total vessel-based employment for the longline fleet was about 805 crewmembers, of which 70% were Namibian citizens. It is more difficult to estimate the total number of pole & line crewmembers, without the details of the South African based vessels in the fishery, and their Namibian crew component. For the Namibian based vessels, there were approximately 140 crewmembers, of which 42% were Namibian nationals. Assuming that the South African fleet consisted of vessels similar to the southern African flagged pole & line vessels in Table 3.24 (average crew = 22 members), there must have been at least an additional 400 crewmembers employed in the large pelagic fishery.

**Table 3.25.** A summary of some mean characteristics for longline and pole & line vessels making up the Namibian large pelagic fishing fleet in 2003 - 2004.

Characteristic	Total Fleet	Longline	Pole & line
Length (m ± Std Dev)	27 ± 12	26 ± 9	36 ± 17
GRT (tons ± SD)	167 ± 146	142 ± 100	308 ± 264
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	540 ± 337	509 ± 301	698 ± 480
Crew (± SD)	20 ± 5	19 ± 5	24 ± 3
Construction Year (± SD)	1976 ± 15	1977 ± 15	1975 ± 16
% Local Flag	33%	36%	14%



**Figure 3.11.** Length-frequency distribution of the longline and pole & line vessels in the Namibian large pelagic fishery in 2003 - 2004.

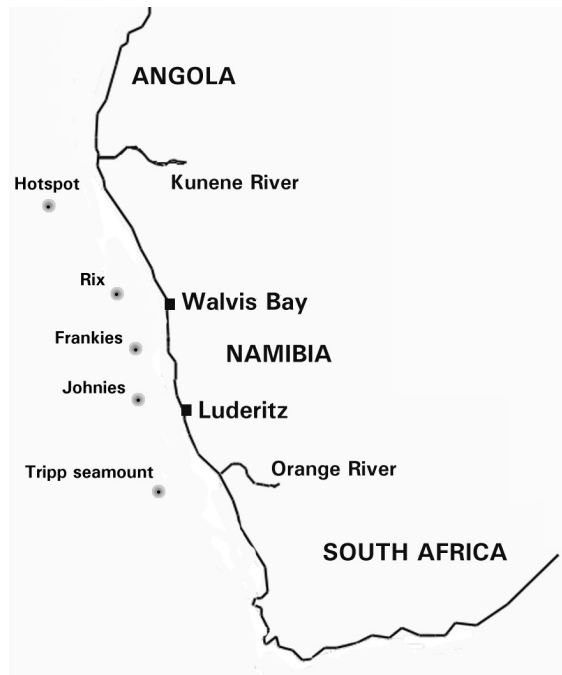
Most (85%) of the pelagic longline vessels operated out of Walvis Bay during the 2003 – 2004 season, whilst all of the pole & line vessels made use of Luderitz as their primary landing harbour.

### 3.9 Deep-sea trawl

A fishing company was awarded an experimental licence to carry out trawling for deep-water fishes in the Namibian EEZ in 1994. By 1995, two deep-water fishing grounds based on aggregations of orange roughy (*Hoplostethus atlanticus*) had been found (at Hotspot and Rix) and more than 5000 tons of the fish were landed. The following year two more sites were found, which subsequently became known as the Johnnies and Frankies fishing grounds (Figure 3.12). Over the next three years the annual catch escalated to a peak of 18 516 tons, making this the second-largest orange roughy fishery in the world<sup>9</sup>. At this time the Namibian government introduced a TAC for the orange roughy, initially set at 12 000 tons, and opened the fishery up to new entrants. The following year (1998), the catch began to drop off. The Namibian government realised that the fishery could not sustain such high levels of exploitation, and began reducing the TAC, from 6000 tons for 1998 to 1875 tons in 2001. Nevertheless, by 2000 catches had declined to less than 1000 tons for the year. After 2001,

<sup>9</sup> Lack, M., Short, K. and Willock, A. 2003. *Managing risk and uncertainty in deep-sea fisheries: lessons from Orange Roughy*. TRAFFIC Oceania and WWF Endangered Seas Programme.

the TAC fluctuated around 2600 tons, until the 2005 – 2006 fishing season, when it was reduced again, to 2050 tons. Generally, the rights holders have been significantly under catching their quota in recent years<sup>10</sup>.



**Figure 3.12.** The Namibian deep-sea trawl fishing grounds.

Each of the four fishing grounds is managed separately, as a Quota Management Area (QMA). One of the fishing grounds (Frankies) has been closed to trawling since 1999. Orange roughy and alfonsino are sometimes caught around the Tripp Seamount, but it is not included as a QMA. Based on the experience of orange roughy fisheries in other countries, Namibia's approach to the management of its four fishing grounds can be considered to be more precautionary than most. Total allowable catches for the species are based on the total estimated biomass of the stock. Biomass is estimated using acoustic and swept-area surveys and CPUEs derived from catch reporting. Additional management tools include effort control by limiting vessel access to the fishery to only five trawlers.

Most of the trawling is done between water depths of 600 and 900m. Fishing takes place both by day and night. The fish are head-and-gutted at sea and frozen for hand filleting in Walvis Bay. Onshore processing (mainly the production of high quality fillets for the USA and Japanese markets) approximately doubles the value of the catch, and is very labour intensive, providing much needed employment in Walvis Bay.

Another deep water species, alfonsino (*Beryx splendens*) is sometimes caught during deep sea trawls ( $\pm 10\%$  of total catch). Initial catches of this species were relatively high, reaching nearly 3000 tons in 1995 & 1996. Anticipating the potential for another deep-sea fishery, the Namibian government introduced a TAC of 10 000 tons for alfonsino in 1997; however the

<sup>10</sup> Address to the Fisheries and Marine Resources Sector by Dr. Abraham Iyambo, Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, On 13 April 2005, Walvis Bay. ([www.grnnet.gov.na/News/Archive/2005/april/week3/dr\\_rpt.htm](http://www.grnnet.gov.na/News/Archive/2005/april/week3/dr_rpt.htm)).

species rapidly became so scarce that it was not viable to target, and alfonsino is now regulated as a by-catch of orange roughy.

### 3.9.1 Rights holders

Gendor Fishing (Pty) Ltd, the founders of the deep-sea trawling industry in Namibia, had sole access to the orange roughy resource until the Namibian government declared the experimental fishery to be a commercial fishery in 1997. Of the 39 applications for deep-sea trawl fishing rights received by the MFMR in 1997, only five rights were awarded. Gendor was given 50% of the orange roughy TAC for three years, as a reward for developing the fishery. The rest of the TAC was divided up between two rights holders. The other two rights holders were given exploratory rights, but no quota. This meant they could fish for orange roughy anywhere within Namibian waters, but outside of the four declared QMAs. If they discovered a new fishing ground, they would be rewarded with 50% of the quota for the new fishing ground for three years. The two exploratory orange roughy fishing rights have not yet been activated (Table 3.26).

**Table 3.26.** The rights holders in the Namibian deep-sea trawl fishery, and their quota allocations for the 2003 – 2004 fishing season.

RIGHTS HOLDERS	DURATION OF RIGHT (Years)	ORANGE ROUGHY ALLOCATION (Tons)
Atlantic Sea Products (Pty) Ltd	10	588
Consortium Fisheries (Pty) Ltd	10	Not allocated
Continental Deep Sea (Pty) Ltd	10	Not allocated
Gendor Fishing (Pty) Ltd	10	940
Glomar Fisheries (Pty) Ltd	10	770
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,298</b>

All the deep-sea trawl rights holders were awarded their rights for a period of 10 years. The companies that were fishing for orange roughy in 2003 - 2004 were all based in Walvis Bay. Atlantic Sea Products also had horse mackerel fishing rights; Gendor and Glomar were only involved in deep-sea trawling. Gendor was listed on the Namibian stock exchange, but delisted in 2002. Onshore processing of the orange roughy catch takes place at Gendor's Deep Ocean Processors (Pty) Ltd factory.

### 3.9.2 Vessels

During the first two years of the experimental phase of the deep-sea fishery, Gendor used only one vessel, but introduced two more vessels in the third year. When the fishery was opened up to other rights holders in 1997, another vessel was added to the fleet. The maximum permissible number of five vessels operating in the fishery was reached in the following year. Based on the MFMR vessel database, six vessels were used to catch orange roughy for the deep-sea trawl rights holders during the 2003 - 2004 fishing season (Table 3.27), but not necessarily at the same time.



**Table 3.27.** The Namibian deep-sea trawl fishing fleet as registered with the MFMR in 2003 - 2004.

Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Year Built	Total crew	Nam. crew	Rights holder	Vessel owners
Bel Ocean Two	Mauritius	57	1899	3342	1990	38	5	Atlantic	Blue Ocean Products (Pty) Ltd
Dantago	Namibia	27	257	746	1978	18	17	Atlantic	Atlantic Sea Products (Pty) Ltd
Emanguluko	Namibia	31	483	1850	1990	27	23	Glomar	Glomar Fisheries (Pty) Ltd
Southern Aquarius	Namibia	54	1154	3000	1974	48	48	Gendor	Gendor Fishing (Pty) Ltd
Ulzama	Spain	33	264	1100	1992	20	11	Gendor	Pesquera Vasco Gallera SA
Whitby	Namibia	27	193	800	1977	15	14	Gendor	Gendor Fishing (Pty) Ltd

The deep-sea trawl vessels deploy their nets at depths in excess of 600 m, over rough terrain. Usually, vessels operating in this type of fishery need to be large and powerful, with state of the art fishing and locating equipment, and onboard freezer storage facilities. However, the variability of the characteristics of the vessels summarised in Table 3.28 point to the Namibian deep-sea fleet being made up of non-specific trawlers from other fishing sectors consisting of a range of sizes and power (27 – 57 m, 746 – 3342 kW) . Dantago (Atlantic Sea Products) is not a freezer vessel.

**Table 3.28.** A summary of some mean characteristics of the trawlers making up the Namibian deep-sea trawl fishery in 2003 -2004.

Characteristic	Total Fleet
Length (m ± Std Dev)	39 ± 14
GRT (tons ± SD)	709 ± 684
Horsepower (kW ± SD)	1807 ± 1134
Crew (± SD)	28 ± 13
Construction Year (± SD)	1984 ± 8
% Local Flag	67%

The number of crewmembers employed on the deep-sea trawl vessels in 2003 – 2004 was 166, of which 118 (71%) were Namibian nationals. All the vessels operated out of Walvis Bay.

## 4. ANGOLA

### 4.1 Introduction

The Angolan coastline is 1650 km long, with two diverging currents, the south-flowing Angola Current and north-flowing Benguela Current, which create a strong upwelling system that supports high primary production in the region. However, over-fishing and changes in environmental conditions have strongly reduced the fisheries potential. The country has three fishing zones; the southern zone (from Lobito to the mouth of the Cunene River) is by far the most productive, with an abundance of horse mackerel, sardines, tunas and a range of demersal species. The northern fishing zone extends from Luanda to the mouth of the Congo River, and the central fishing zone stretches from Luanda to Benguela<sup>11</sup>.

Like its southern neighbour Namibia, Angola's marine fishing industry has been strongly affected by politics of the country.

The early 1960s saw the first activities of the liberation movements in Angola. These initially targeted the coffee plantations in the north, but over the next decade became increasingly disruptive to the country, and eventually contributed to the deposition of President Salazar in Portugal, and the end of Portuguese rule. This was so significant a watershed event that it seems sensible to make it the first break in the history of the fishing industry. The second break comes with independence in 1975, and the third with the conclusion of the recent civil war.

There has been a tradition of fishing recorded in the north of Angola, but comparatively little was evident in the south and central littorals until Portuguese settlers established the beginnings of the industry in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. The product was almost entirely sun-dried and salted, the fishing was largely inshore, and vessels were powered by sail or oars.

The industry began to evolve in the 1930s when the scattered small-scale operators were grouped into regional associations (*Sindicatos*, and subsequently *Gremios*). These groupings induced early attempts at more sophisticated processing, including fishmeal, fish-oil and canning. The bulk of the catch was small pelagic fishes: particularly sardine and horse mackerel, although large pelagics such as tuna and demersal fishes such as hake were also targeted. Real development of the industry only began after the Second World War. Catches rose sharply, climbing from 26 100 tonnes in 1938, 113 000 tonnes in 1948 to 420,000 tonnes in 1956. The fish stock fell sharply in the late 1950s. In response a technical agency was established (*Instituto das Industrias de Pesca de Angola*) to help manage the resource and the industry.

It is worth noting that during the late 1940s the Namibian/South African industries were using large vessels to access offshore fishing grounds. Demersal trawl and pelagic purse seine fleets were already in place: by contrast Angola was doing some surface seining with motor-drifters, but much of the catch was still harvested inshore using sail and oars.

Improved technology and access to foreign markets not only stimulated the output of the industry, but also the adoption of new processing methods. At the end of the Second World War just under half of the commercial catch was sun-dried and a similar amount ground into fishmeal and fertilizer. Five percent was consumed fresh and roughly one percent was

<sup>11</sup> <http://www.fao.org/fi/fcp/en/AGO/profile.htm>

canned. By the late 1950's the sun-dried component had fallen to 16% and 81% was being processed into fishmeal and fish-oil.

The growing importance of fishmeal production followed the trend established in South Africa/Namibia. By this time though, these two countries were already shifting into higher value, value-added products. In part Angola's problem was that its domestic market and transport infrastructure did not encourage more sophisticated product lines. The tinned product would have had to compete with similar items from Portugal itself, while the domestic market was too small for frozen and chilled fish to be significant. There was, however, already an export market in bulk-tinned tuna to the USA, the product being re-canned in North America.

At this stage, the difficulties facing the evolution of the industry were partly geographic. The southern coastal strip has low rainfall and fresh water was a constraining factor on the development of the smaller ports.

During the Liberation war period (1962 – 1975), the fishing industry was comparatively unaffected. The management of the stock allowed the resource to be exploited at a sustained high level and both harvesting and processing technologies became more sophisticated. The "chata"-based artisanal fisheries also expanded. The deepwater fisheries were increasingly exploited, and the proportion of the recorded landed catch made by small pelagics declined. At the end of the period the change in government was accompanied by an exodus of skills, and recorded catches immediately fell.

Post independence (1976 – to present), the fishing industry experienced a number of problems, including falling stocks and the decay of land-based processing facilities. Two factors influenced stocks directly: a large foreign trawler fleet that often went far too close to the coast, and heavy exploitation of shared stocks in Namibian waters. The resource was heavily exploited by a fleet from the Soviet Union, and then (until late 2004) by vessels from the European Union (EU), particularly Spain. Japanese vessels (including two vessels that targeted deep-sea red crab) also obtained access to Angolan waters. The terms of the agreements with Eastern European and E.U. fleets were problematic. Monitoring was poor and the contracts offered little incentive for these fleets to conserve the resource since there were no effective catch limits. The EU framework Agreement between the Community and Angola was adopted in 1987 and renewed regularly until 2004. In exchange for fishing rights, the E.U. paid an annual fixed fee, typically between €10 million and €5 million (Table 4.1).

Both the domestic fleet and the onshore processing facilities had deteriorated markedly after independence, and the state has attempted to rehabilitate the industry's capital base. It was helped by foreign assistance. In the late 1980s, the EEC funded the reconstruction of the Dack Doy shipyards and two canning plants in Tombua. Spain agreed to help rehabilitate the Angolan fishing industry in exchange for fishing rights. It also sold Angola thirty-seven steel-hull boats for US\$70 million. A further fourteen fishing boats were ordered from Italy. There have also been attempts to expand the inshore small-commercial (semi-industrial) sector. This sector was protected by legislation that allowed it exclusive access to inshore waters; however its viability continues to be threatened by incursions into these waters by large commercial vessels.

**Table 4.1.** Summary of Protocols to the European Community/Angola Fisheries Agreement (1989-2004)<sup>12</sup>.

PROTOCOL	TYPE	FISHING OPPORTUNITIES	TOTAL EC CONTRIBUTION (€)	OF WHICH TARGETED ACTIONS (€)
3/8/2002 - 2/8/2004	Mixed	22 prawn vessels 4,200 GRT/month for demersal fishing 15 seiners 18 surface longliners 2 licences for experimental pelagic fishing	31,000,000	11,050,000
3/5/2000 - 2/8/2002	Mixed	22 prawn vessels 3,750 GRT/month for demersal fishing 18 seiners 25 surface longliners 2 licences for experimental pelagic fishing	13,975,000	4,025,000
3/5/1999 - 2/5/2000	Mixed	22 prawn vessels 2,000 GRT/month for demersal fishing 1,750 GRT/month for bottom longliners 18 seiners 25 surface longliners 2 licences for experimental pelagic fishing	12,000,000	1,700,000
3/5/1996 - 2/5/1999	Mixed	22 prawn vessels 2,000 GRT/month for demersal fishing 9 seiners 12 surface longliners 2 licences for experimental pelagic fishing	15,333,333	5,000,000
3/5/1994 - 2/5/1996	Mixed	22 prawn vessels 1,900 GRT/month for demersal fishing 900 GRT/month for bottom longliners 4 seiners 5 surface longliners	9,750,000	2,800,000
3/5/1992 - 2/5/1994	Mixed	22 prawn vessels 1,800 GRT demersal fishing 27 freezer seiners 5 surface longliners	18,500,000	4,600,000
3/5/1990 - 2/5/1992	Mixed	24 prawn vessels 28 ocean-going freezer tuna vessels 5 wet tuna vessels 600 GRT/month for expt. demersal fishing	17,970,000	2,120,000
3/5/1989 - 2/5/1990	Mixed	From 39 to 22 prawn vessels* 28 ocean-going freezer tuna vessels 1,200 GRT/month for expt. demersal fishing 2 surface longliners for experimental fishing	10,045,000	1,060,000

\*The number of prawn vessels was decreased from 39 vessels (May 1989) to 29 (June to December 1989), and then to 22 (January to May 1990).

<sup>12</sup> Source: [http://europa.eu.int/comm/fisheries/doc\\_et\\_publ/factsheets/facts/en/pcp4\\_2s01.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/fisheries/doc_et_publ/factsheets/facts/en/pcp4_2s01.htm)

The Angolan fishing sector is currently divided into four groups, as described in Articles 1/55 – 1/60 of the *Lei dos Recursos Biologicos Aquaticos* (Table 4.2).

**Table 4.2.** Definitions of the four types of participant in the Angolan marine fishing sector.

TYPE	PARAMETERS
<b>Subsistence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-commercial</li> <li>• Catch intended for family consumption, occasional surplus is allowed to be sold</li> </ul>
<b>Artisanal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial</li> <li>• Vessel up to 14 meters in length</li> <li>• Propulsion system: paddles, sail, onboard and outboard engine</li> <li>• Fishing gear: hand lines, gill nets, entangling nets</li> <li>• On-board refrigeration: rarely ice on board</li> </ul>
<b>Semi-industrial</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial</li> <li>• Vessel up to 20 meters in length</li> <li>• Propulsion system: inboard engine</li> <li>• Fishing gear: mechanical trawling, hand lines, drifting longlines, entangling nets, seine nets and others</li> <li>• On-board refrigeration: ice on board</li> </ul>
<b>Industrial</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial (either catch-specific species with a high commercial value, or large quantities of fish with a lower commercial value)</li> <li>• Vessel over 20 meters long</li> <li>• Propulsion system: engine</li> <li>• Fishing gear: mechanical</li> <li>• On-board refrigeration: ice and other processing methods on board.</li> </ul>

Only the semi-industrial and industrial fishing sectors will be considered in this report, in line with the commercial-scale fishing operations described for South Africa and Namibia. The sub-sectors of the fishing industry that will be discussed include the demersal trawl fishery (specifically hake), pelagic trawl (targeting sardinellas and horse mackerel) and pelagic purse seine fisheries (specifically sardinellas, pilchards and horse mackerel), the crustacean fishery (deep-sea red crab and prawns) and the tuna fishery.

## 4.2 Crustacean Fisheries

Angola’s commercial crustacean fishing sector is comprised of three fisheries; the offshore prawn trawl, inshore prawn trawl and deep-sea crab trap fisheries. The offshore prawn trawl and deep-sea crab fishing operations are defined as industrial-scale, whilst the inshore prawn trawl operations are semi-industrial.

### 4.2.1 Deep-sea red crab

The deep-sea red crab, *Chaceon maritae* is found on soft mud substrata at depths of between about 300 and 1000 m off Angola. The directed fishery is concentrated mainly in the southernmost fishing grounds, but the species occurs throughout Angolan waters. It is also taken as by-catch in the offshore prawn trawl fishery in the central and northern fishing grounds. The deep-sea red crab fishery was initiated in 1986. The species is targeted by a

single Japanese vessel using traps, but is occasionally taken as by-catch in the demersal and prawn trawl fisheries. All indications are that the Angolan deep-sea red crab resource is part of a single stock that is shared with Namibia. Thus, it is also likely that the Angolan resource is declining along with that of Namibia. In the 1980's, the Angolan stock was estimated to have a biomass of 91 000 tons; by the late 1990's this estimate had declined to 18 000 tons<sup>13</sup>.

The Angolan deep-sea red crab resource is managed by allocating an annual TAC and by applying limitations on the crab by-catch associated with the offshore prawn fishery. In addition, input controls such as a restriction on effort (i.e. limited number of vessels), a minimum size limit and the prohibition of fishing at depths of between 200 m to 500 m are also in place. The resource is assessed using a production model based on CPUE data from the daily catch records of vessels targeting the crab, as well as vessels taking crab as a by-catch in the prawn fishery. These records are submitted as monthly reports. Estimates of natural mortality from a number of different sources are used as inputs to the model.

#### 4.2.1.1 Rights holders

Carangol S.A.R.L is the only company that has the right to target the deep-sea red crab in Angolan waters. Not much information is available for this firm, other than that it is an Angolan company with strong Japanese ties and a relationship to Oshimada Fishing (Pty) Ltd, one of the Namibian deep-sea red crab fishing operations. The company received an allocation of 690 tons for 2004, of which about 409 tons was caught. Although the catch is landed in Walvis Bay, Namibia, the fishing vessel must first report to Namibe for inspection before leaving Angolan waters, so that the catch reports can be verified. Approximately 134 tons were landed in 2002, and 121 tons were recorded in 2003<sup>14</sup>. Carangol S.A.R.L employed 30 staff in 2004; all were Angolan nationals, 26 were men and four were women.

#### 4.2.1.2 Vessels

Carangol S.A.R.L. operates a large ex-tuna boat that has been modified to deploy traps (called *Gaiola* or baskets locally) to depths of 1000 m. Carangol No. 1 is registered as an Angolan vessel, and is 49 m long, with a gross registered tonnage (GRT) of 407 tons, a power output of 1460 kW and is operated by 25 crewmembers.

A significant portion of the processing of the red crab is carried out on board the vessel. The product is then packed in Walvis Bay and shipped to China, where it is canned for the Japanese market. The entire product from the Angolan red crab fishery is consumed in Japan<sup>15</sup>.

#### 4.2.2 Offshore prawn trawl

The offshore or deep-water prawn fishery is probably the most valuable of all the Angolan fisheries. It was initiated by a single Spanish trawler in 1966. The success of this operation attracted a fleet of foreign (mainly Spanish) trawlers, and by 1972 at least 52 vessels were targeting prawns in Angolan waters. Catches peaked a year later, when more than 12 000 tons of prawns were caught. However, soon after this peak was achieved, the changing

<sup>13</sup> Neto, V. 1997 – Fisheries resources of Angola. In *Report on Symposium on Science in Africa*. American Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, 16 February, Seattle, USA: 63-67.

<sup>14</sup> Aukland, R. and C. Ninnes. 2004. An Assessment of the State of Commercial Fisheries Catch Data in the BCLME Region. BCLME Project LMR/CF/03/02.

<sup>15</sup> [www.melma.com](http://www.melma.com)



political climate in Angola led to a major change in the prawn fleet; by 1977 the Spanish vessels had withdrawn from Angolan waters, to be replaced by a fleet of Cuban trawlers. The Cuban trawlers dominated the prawn trawl fleet until 1979. Since 1989, European Community (EC) trawlers have targeted Angolan prawns under the European Community/Angola Fisheries Agreement. Initially 39 European Union trawlers had access to the fishery, but by 1992 this number had been reduced to 22 vessels. All the EU vessels operating in the fishery were Spanish trawlers. A number of locally flagged trawlers have also entered the fishery.

Trawling for offshore prawn usually takes place in the central and northern fishing zones. The annual catch for the prawn trawl fishery fluctuated between 3500 – 7000 tons during the 1990's. The offshore prawn trawl catch is made up of two species; the deepwater rose prawn *Parapenaeus longirostris*, and the striped red prawn *Aristeus varidens*. The rose prawn occurs at depths of between 50 – 400 m, and is found on the upper slopes and continental shelf of the Western Atlantic Ocean as far south as French Guiana, and to Angola in the Eastern Atlantic. The striped red prawn is an East Atlantic species, found from Rio de Oro (24° N) to 18° S (off Namibia), on the continental slopes at depths of between 400 – 800 m.

Catches of the deepwater rose prawn are usually significantly higher than the striped red prawn, although this pattern was reversed in 1994 – 95. There are indications that the prawn resource is decreasing, and in 2000 a global TAC of 2400 tons was introduced for the offshore prawn trawl fishery (1600 t for rose prawn, 800 t for striped red prawn). By 2003, the TAC was reduced to 1200 tons for the deepwater rose prawn, and 500 tons for the striped red prawn. The fishery is managed on the basis of trawl survey estimates and CPUE trends, which are used in a simplified Beverton and Holt model to recommend TACs for rose prawn and striped red prawn. Other forms of control include the prohibition of fishing within certain inshore areas to protect juveniles, a closed season and effort control through limited vessel access to the fishery.

#### 4.2.2.1 Rights holders

The offshore prawn fishery TAC of 1700 tons for 2004 was divided up almost equally between the Angolan rights holders (889 tons) and EU prawn trawlers (811 tons) operating in the fishery (until end 2004). Unfortunately, the quota allocation per rights holder is not available. The rights holders are listed in Table 4.3.

Of the four rights holding companies, only one was privately owned. The rest are described as “mixed”, with private and State ownership. In terms of Angolan shareholding, only the private company was solely owned by Angolans. Total local ownership of the Angolan-based offshore prawn rights-owning companies in 2004 amounted to about 62%. Two of the companies were based in Luanda Province, and one each in Namibe and Kwanza-Sul Provinces.

**Table 4.3.** The rights holders in the Angolan offshore prawn fishery, for the 2004 fishing season.

Company	Type of Enterprise	Town	Province	% Local shareholding
Bismar Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100
Angesp S.A.R.L	Mixed	Tombwa	Namibe	53
Espang	Mixed	Porto Amboim	Kwanza Sul	50
Pescamar	Mixed	Ingombota	Luanda	51



The total number employed directly by the offshore prawn trawl rights holders was 721 people in 2004, of which 633 were Angolan men, 16 were Angolan women, and 72 were foreign men.

#### 4.2.2.2 Vessels

In addition to the 22 EU trawlers operating in the offshore prawn fishery, the above rights holders operated a further 23 vessels. Most of these trawlers have Angolan flags, except for the four Spanish vessels fishing for Pescamar (Table 4.4).

**Table 4.4.** The Angolan offshore prawn trawl fishing fleet in 2004.

Name of Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Bismar one	Angola	---	362	---	18	Steel	Bismar Lda
Bismar two	Angola	---	362	---	18	Steel	Bismar Lda
Bismar three	Angola	---	362	---	18	Steel	Bismar Lda
Congelmar Primeiro	Angola	39	414	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
Congelmar Segundo	Angola	39	448	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
Dande	Angola	---	254	---	19	Steel	Pescamar
Katumbo	Angola	---	254	---	19	Steel	Pescamar
Maposa Octavo	Angola	41	386	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
Maposa Quarto	Angola	41	450	1170	16	Steel	Espang
Maposa Segundo	Angola	41	450	1170	16	Steel	Espang
Maposa Sétimo	Angola	41	448	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
Maposa Sexto	Angola	41	386	1170	16	Steel	Espang
Navijosa Noveno	Angola	41	450	1170	16	Steel	Espang
Navijosa Quito	Angola	41	448	1170	16	Steel	Espang
Navijosa Sexto	Angola	41	414	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
Palmeirinhas	Angola	---	271	---	21	Steel	Pescamar
Pegago Segundo	Angola	41	450	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
Pegago Terceiro	Angola	41	446	1170	16	Steel	Espang
Pescamar four	Spain	---	147	---	18	Steel	Pescamar
Pescamar one	Spain	---	147	---	18	Steel	Pescamar
Pescamar three	Spain	---	147	---	18	Steel	Pescamar
Pescamar two	Spain	---	163	---	19	Steel	Pescamar
Pinzon Primeiro	Angola	39	414	1200	16	Steel	Angesp S.A.R.L
<b>Mean (±SD)</b>	---	<b>41 ± 1</b>	<b>351 ± 113</b>	<b>1187 ± 16</b>	<b>18 ± 2</b>	---	---

Angola's prawn trawler fleet was quite homogeneous in 2004; the large steel-hulled vessels had an average length of 41 m, an average GRT of 351 tons and a power rating of about 1190 kW. Each vessel had a crew complement of about 18 members, and the total number of ship-based employees in the Angolan sector of the fishery at the time was about 400 people.

The catch is frozen on board the trawlers, and the product is exported primarily to Europe.

### 4.2.3 Inshore prawn trawl

Angola also has a semi-industrial prawn fishery, targeting coastal species such as the pink prawn *Penaeus duorarum* and the Caramote prawn *Penaeus kerathurus*. The pink prawn has a distribution ranging from Mauritania to Angola. It inhabits muddy or sandy substrates at depths of between 10 m and 100 m. The Caramote prawn prefers more sandy bottoms with detritus and sea-grass beds, occurring at depths of between 5 – 50 m. These species are more usually by targeted by artisanal fishermen along the West African Coast, using a range of methods; from traps, stow-nets, conical nets, beach seines and trawl nets towed by two people, to demersal trawl nets towed by vessels.

#### 4.2.3.1 Rights holders

A TAC of 51 tons was set for the inshore (a.k.a. coastal) prawn fishery in 2004, allocated amongst six rights holders (Table 4.5). According to the Angolan Marine Resources Law, all semi-industrial rights holders must be Angolan. Of the rights holders for which information was available, all were privately owned, and all were based in Imgombota, Luanda Province.

The total number employed directly by the four rights holders who provided information for the study was 49 people, all of which were Angolan males.

**Table 4.5.** The rights holders in the Angolan inshore (coastal) prawn fishery, for the 2004 fishing season.

Company	Type of Enterprise	Town	Province	% Local shareholding	Allocation (Tons)
Copinol Lda	Private	Imgombota	Luanda	100	13
Organizacoes Canelas	Private	Imgombota	Luanda	100	13
Horacio Da Silva Baptista	---	---	---	---	10
IDS, Lda	Private	Imgombota	Luanda	100	5
Luonze, Lda	---	---	---	---	5
Pescamboim Lda	Private	Imgombota	Luanda	100	5
<b>Total</b>					<b>51</b>

#### 4.2.3.2 Vessels

The inshore prawn trawl vessels operating in 2004 were typical of the semi-industrial sector of the Angolan fishing industry. The wood or glass fibre vessels were less than 20 m in length, with a mean GRT of about 51 tons and a power rating of about 260 kW (Table 4.6). The average number of crew per vessel was 12 members, and the total number employed on the vessels was 62 people.

**Table 4.6.** The Angolan inshore (coastal) prawn trawl fishing fleet in 2004.

Name of Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Porto Santo	Angola	17	48	285	13	Wood	Organizacoes Canelas
Pungo	Angola	13	48	200	12	Wood	IDS, Lda

Name of Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Vencedor	Angola	17	76	360	12	Glass fibre	Copinol Lda
Victoria	Angola	15	41	265	10	Wood	Horacio Da Silva Baptista, Lda
<b>Mean (±SD)</b>	---	<b>17 ± 3</b>	<b>51 ± 15</b>	<b>258 ± 72</b>	<b>12 ± 2</b>	---	---

### 4.3 Small pelagic fisheries

Small pelagic fishes in Angolan waters are targeted by two commercial fisheries; a purse seine fishery targeting *Sardinella spp.*, juvenile horse mackerel, sardines and other small pelagics, and a pelagic (or mid-water) trawl fishery, targeting adult horse mackerel.

The round sardinella *Sardinella aurita* and Madeiran sardinella *S. maderensis* are found along the entire Angolan coastline. The juveniles occur predominantly inshore, along the northern coast. In the Eastern Atlantic, the Madeiran sardinella is distributed from the Mediterranean to Angola; very rarely into Namibia. The round sardinella has a far more extensive distribution; from Argentina northwards to Cape Cod, USA in the Western Atlantic and from the Black Sea southwards to Saldanha Bay, South Africa in the Eastern Atlantic. The round sardinella is usually found further offshore than the Madeiran sardinella, which is coastal, preferring slightly higher sea temperatures and is often found near river mouths. The two species appear to be of roughly equal abundance in Angolan waters, except in the south where the round sardinella predominates.

The bulk of the horse mackerel catch in Angola is made up of the Cunene horse mackerel *Trachurus trecae*, although some Cape horse mackerel *Trachurus trachurus capensis* is caught in the southern fishing grounds. The distribution of Cunene horse mackerel is limited to the Eastern Atlantic, from Morocco southwards to Angola, although the species is sometimes caught in Namibian waters. The Cape and Cunene horse mackerel stocks are probably separated by the dynamic Angola/Benguela Current Front, which moves seasonally between latitudes of about 14 - 17 °S, with an average location at about 16 °S. Like the Cape horse mackerel, the Cunene horse mackerel is found throughout the water column, from depths of 30 m down to 250 m. The vertical distribution of the species is strongly correlated to size. Juveniles (13 - 19 cm TL) occur at depths of 30 - 34 m; between 50 and 200 m there is no significant difference in length, but the fish caught at depths of 200 - 250 m usually fall within the range of 29 - 34 cm TL (i.e. adults). The juveniles of both species are more abundant inshore; usually within the 100 m depth contour.

The pilchard *Sardinops sagax* (also targeted in the Namibian and South African small pelagic fisheries) makes up a small part of the Angolan purse seine fishery, mainly in the southern fishing area.

The small pelagic fisheries are managed by TAC, with no distinction between the two sardinellas or two horse mackerel species. Until recently, catch statistics have been too unreliable to use in population modelling, and stock abundance estimates have been based on acoustic surveys carried out by research vessels; usually in conjunction with Namibia.

Both the purse seine and pelagic trawl fisheries in Angola appear to be in crisis; in 2004 the authorities banned the purse seine vessels from catching pilchards, whilst the pelagic/mid-water trawl fishery was closed for the duration of the season.

### 4.3.1 Small pelagic purse seine

The purse-seine fishery off Angola started in the 1950s, predominantly targeting juvenile Cunene horse mackerel. By 1955 horse mackerel catches of around 100 000 tons per year had been achieved, and this rate was sustained over the next decade. By 1972 catches had increased to 261 000 tonnes, but declined significantly after Angolan Independence from Portugal, to less than 46 000 tons in 1976. With the introduction of foreign mid-water and demersal trawlers into Angolan waters, horse mackerel catches increased, to a record 380 000 tonnes in 1978, and almost 300 000 tons in 1979. Since 1980 to the present, catches have fluctuated between 50 000 and 150 000 tons, with a massive spike of 375 000 tons caught in 2001<sup>16</sup>. The Cape horse mackerel is sometimes caught along with the Cunene horse mackerel in the southern fishing area; on average over the last 20 years, this species has made up about 27% of the total horse mackerel catch in Angola<sup>7</sup>.

By the early 1980s, the proportion of the horse mackerel catch taken by purse-seiners averaged about 30% of the total annual catch, with the mid-water trawlers taking about 60% and a demersal trawler by-catch of about 10%. By 1998 this ratio had changed, to 12% purse seine, 66% mid-water trawl, and 22% demersal trawl. In 2003, the purse seine portion of the total horse mackerel catch had further decreased to just 4%, with mid-water trawl taking 88% and demersal trawl taking 8% of the total horse mackerel catch.

The bulk of the rest of the Angolan purse seine harvest is made up of the two species of sardinellas. Over the last decade or so, approximately 25 000 – 50 000 tons were caught per year. However, between 1955 and 1973, sardinella catches fluctuated between 60 000 and 100 000 tons, with one report claiming a record 300 000 tons caught during one year in the 1970's.

During the 1970's as much as 30 000 tons of pilchards could be harvested by the purse seine fishery in a year. More recently, pilchard catches have become almost non-existent in the Angolan purse seine fishery.

#### 4.3.1.1 Rights holders

Records supplied by the Angolan Ministry of Fisheries list 70 small pelagic fish rights holders active in the purse seine fishery in 2004, sharing a total allocation of 95 000 tons (Table 4.7). In addition, the artisanal fishery was allocated 40 000 tons, and a further 40 300 tons was held in reserve.

**Table 4.7.** The Angolan small pelagic fish rights holders in the purse seine fishery, during the 2004 fishing season.

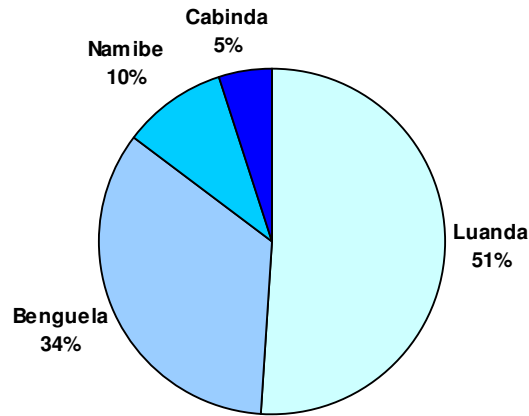
Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local share	Allocation (Tons)
Angesp S.A.R.L	Mixed	Tombwa	Namibe	53	25,500
Empromar Kuroka U.E.E	State	Tombwa	Namibe	100	17,000
Midato, Lda	Private	Tombwa	Namibe	100	5,000
RJ Industrial, Lda	Private	Tombwa	Namibe	100	5,000

<sup>16</sup> BENEFIT, 2004. Formal Report: Benefit / NRF / BCLME Stock Assessment Workshop. University of Cape Town, Cape Town.

Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local share	Allocation (Tons)
Mar Santos, Lda	---	---	---	---	3,000
Coapescas	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	2,000
Frumar, Lda	---	---	---	---	2,000
Naípe Lda	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	1,800
Fernando Antunes	---	---	---	---	1,500
Glorva Pescas, Lda	---	---	---	---	1,500
Jagmar, Lda	Private	Baía Farta	Benguela	100	1,500
João Brito	Private	Lobito	Benguela	100	1,250
Ouropesca	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	1,000
Pescaria Tentativa	Private	Baía Farta	Benguela	100	1,000
Sede Lda	Mixed	Baía Farta	Benguela	30	1,000
Sicopal, Lda	---	---	---	---	1,000
Soc. Agroalimentar	---	---	---	---	1,000
Vimar & Filhos	Private	Baía Farta	Benguela	100	880
Joaquim JM Da Silva	---	---	---	---	850
Marta Fernandes & Filhos	Private	Baía Farta	Benguela	100	800
Edipesca-Luanda-UEE	State	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	600
Edipesca-Namibe-UEE	State	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	600
Fernando G Solinho	---	---	---	---	600
Grupo Ze Luis	---	---	---	---	600
Man Silva Lda	Private	Cacuaco	Luanda	100	600
Organizacoes Tromba Rija	---	---	---	---	600
Socipesca Lda	Private	Baía Farta	Benguela	100	600
Sopesnor Lda	Mixed	Cabinda	Cabinda	60	520
Alvaro P Eugenio	---	---	---	---	500
Antonio CG Da Gloria	---	---	---	---	500
Antonio F Melo	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	500
Antonio JS De Viera	---	---	---	---	500
Arnaldo Vasconcelos	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	500
Pescaria Monolo	---	---	---	---	500
Soconinfa Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	500
Traineira M. Rui	Private			100	500
Trirumo	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	500
Valdemar Santos	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	500
Vego ACI Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	500
Pescuio	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	450
Salgec, Lda	---	---	---	---	450
Sebastião V Santos	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	450
Enviatur, Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	400
Jose LCH De Sousa	---	---	---	---	400

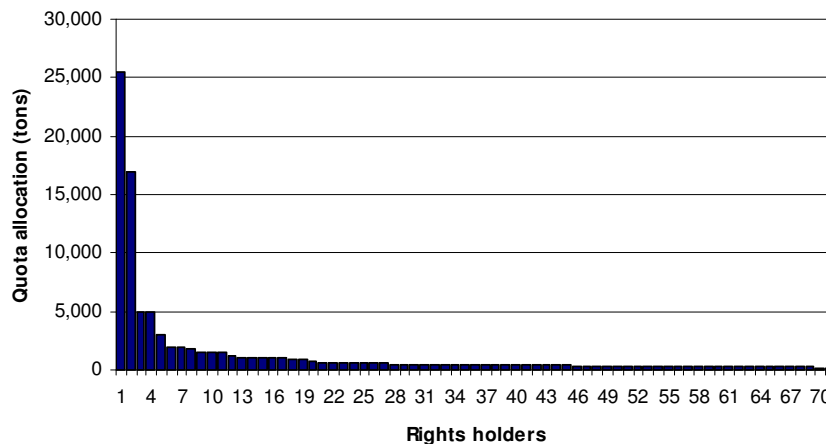
Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local share	Allocation (Tons)
Vinten e Filhos	---	---	---	---	400
APT Organizacoes	---	---	---	---	300
Carlos Alberto	---	---	---	---	300
Carlos MS Diego	---	---	---	---	300
Cassiano Jose Henriques	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Chimuandos, Lda	---	---	---	---	300
Cipriano Tiago	---	---	---	---	300
Henri Mar	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Jorge M Conduto	---	---	---	---	300
Jose Benedito Dos Santos De Oliveira	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Jose Liberato Falcao Mestre	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Jose M Dos Santos Nunes	---	---	---	---	300
Jusi, Lda	---	---	---	---	300
Lucrecio Da Cruz	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Orgal Lda	Mixed	Cabinda	Cabinda	60	300
Organizacoes Suca Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Organizacoes WW Danelia Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	300
Pajanu Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Pesca So-Comercio E Industria	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	300
Pesco Comercial	---	---	---	---	300
Rito Pesca	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	300
Rui De Jesus Castro	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	300
Sopesal Lda	Private	Baia Farta	Benguela	100	300
Sopil	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	300
Pescaria Santo Antonio	---	---	---	---	250
Marbelas, Lda	---	---	---	---	200
Sociedade De Pesca PPM Lda	---	---	---	---	200

Of the purse seine rights holders for which information was available in this study (some 59% of the total number), more than 51% were based in Luanda Province, and most of the rest were from Benguela Province. A small number of rights holders were from Namibe (four) and Cabinda Provinces (two; Figure 4.1).



**Figure 4.1.** The proportion of small pelagic purse seine rights holders per coastal Province in Angola in 2004.

In terms of shareholding, Angolans owned 66% of the small pelagic fish allocation in the purse seine fishery. The rights holder with the largest quota (27% of the rights holder allocation), Angesp SARL, was a mixed company, made up of State and private shareholders. Empromar Kuroka U.E.E had the second largest quota (18%), and was wholly State owned. The third highest quota went to R & J - Industrial Comercial and Midato Lda (5.1% each), both privately owned operations. Most (83%) of the rights holding entities were privately owned, 7% were State owned and 10% were a mixture of State and private ownership. The top 10% of the purse seine rights holders held 63% of the rights holder allocation in 2004 (Figure 4.2).



**Figure 4.2.** Small pelagic fish quota allocations for the Angolan purse seine fishery in 2004.

Employment details were available for 39 companies in the purse seine fishery. This amounted to 55% of the total local rights holders, representing 73% of the purse seine quota allocation. These operations employed 2190 Angolan males, 183 Angolan females and 17 foreign males, making up 2390 recorded shore-based employees. Total shore-based employment in the small pelagic purse-seine fishery was estimated at 3300 people in 2004.



#### 4.3.1.2 Vessels

Two fleets of purse seiners were operating in the Angolan small pelagic fishery in 2004. These were made up of 25 industrial and 85 semi-industrial vessels, listed in Table 4.8.

**Table 4.8.** The Angolan small pelagic purse seine fishing fleet in 2004.

Name of Vessel	Sector	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Abrotea	Industrial	Angola	42	137	1200	17	Steel	Pestran Lda
Anchova	Industrial	Angola	42	195	1200	15	Steel	Fropesca U.E.E
Atlanta	Industrial	Namibia	39	431.2	800	12	Steel	Empesul Lda
Atlantic Harvester	Industrial	Namibia	48	613.5	2481	13	Steel	RJ - Industrial Comercial
Badelo	Industrial	Angola	42	135	1200	15	Steel	Fropesca U.E.E
Boga	Industrial	Angola	38	135	1200	13	Steel	Fropesca U.E.E
Bokkeveld	Industrial	Namibia	22	151	300	12	Steel	R & J - Industrial Comercial
Chris Andra	Industrial	Namibia	50	613	1200	15	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Christala List	Industrial	Namibia	48	561	960	15	Steel	R & J - Industrial Comercial
Coronella	Industrial	Namibia	47	501	1577	11	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Delta	Industrial	Namibia	26	254	592	14	Steel	AGL Lda
Espardate	Industrial	Angola	22	120	335	30	Steel	Pescaria Tentativa
Estrela Do Mar	Industrial	South Africa	22	139	---	16	Steel	Antonio Rodrigues
Fiskeskier	Industrial	Namibia	50	324	1200	15	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Macoa	Industrial	Angola	---	196	---	17	Steel	Pestran Lda
Maleco	Industrial	Angola	42	135	1200	13	Steel	Fropesca U.E.E
Marias	Industrial	Togo	23	159	200	16	Steel	Star Fish S.A.R.L
Mero	Industrial	Angola	38	135	1200	13	Steel	Fropesca U.E.E
Rainha	Industrial	Angola	26	75	360	17	Steel	Pesinagri Lda
Reino Yeisk	Industrial	Namibia	47	370	1000	14	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Renoy Fish	Industrial	Namibia	43	370	950	14	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Roncador	Industrial	Angola	42	135	1200	13	Steel	Fropesca U.E.E
Sousa Novo	Industrial	Angola	---	114	---	24	Steel	Empesul Lda
St Pardan	Industrial	Namibia	46	417	1000	15	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Veslemari	Industrial	Namibia	45	382.1	1500	13	Steel	Empromar Kuroka U.E.E
Agua Pesqueira	Semi-ind.	Angola	31	38	680	16	Wood	Jose Luis
Alvaro Eugenio	Semi-ind.	Angola	26	43	520	20	Wood	Pescaria Tentativa
Antonio Rodrigues	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	37	---	15	Wood	Antonio Rodrigues
Aurora	Semi-ind.	Angola	20	45	360	10	Wood	Ouropesca
Bambino	Semi-ind.	Angola	21	88	375	11	Wood	Mar Fish
Ben Hur	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	20	---	9	Wood	Carlos Viegas

Name of Vessel	Sector	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Cecilia	Semi-ind.	Angola	26	36	620	17	Wood	Arnaldo Vasconcelos
Celiana	Semi-ind.	Angola	13	24	165	11	Wood	Antonio Taylor Clemente
Chilungavela	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	20	---	19	Wood	Cristo Rei
Coral	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	33	---	11	Wood	Pescol Lda
Devino Esp Santos	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	32	---	11	Wood	Valdemar Santos
Diana	Semi-ind.	Angola	18	48	350	17	Wood	Coapescas
Dom Ara	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	26	---	8	Wood	Jose De Costa Araujo
Dona Antonia	Semi-ind.	Angola	16	40	180	9	Wood	Pescaria Vintem & Filhos Lda
Dona Branca	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	10	---	6	Wood	Jose De Costa Araujo
Dona Margarida	Semi-ind.	Angola	12	15	112	9	Wood	Henri Mar
Etiopia	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	18	---	11	Wood	Joao Brito
Feliz Regresso	Semi-ind.	Angola	22	30	425	12	Wood	Sopesal Lda
Flor de Liz	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	26	---	12	Wood	Socipesca Lda
Goraz	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	25	---	12	Wood	Enviatur, Lda
Hady	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	25	210	8	Wood	Vego ACI Lda
Huila	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	73	---	26	Wood	Camapoca Lda
Interonde 1	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	65	---	11	Wood	Cassongue, Lda
Joao Manazé	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	38	---	15	Wood	Aderito Areias
Joao Nazaré	Semi-ind.	Angola	18	38	125	14	Wood	Naípe Lda
Le Loango	Semi-ind.	Congo	24	79	520	16	Wood	Orgal Lda
Lembranca Mae	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	42	330	20	Wood	Coapescas
Luandra	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	33	195	16	Wood	Lucrecio Da Cruz
Lueje	Semi-ind.	Angola	22	36	380	15	Wood	Aderito Areias
Mae Catarina	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	27	---	18	Wood	Sogerem
Mae Eterna	Semi-ind.	Angola	27	63	480	30	Wood	Vimar & Filhos
Mae Luzia	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	33	330	21	Wood	Joao Alberto Barros
Mama Ximinha	Semi-ind.	Angola	16	21	175	16	Wood	Mario Nobre Da Costa
Mamiara	Semi-ind.	Angola	14	34	125	12	Wood	Sardipau
Man Silas	Semi-ind.	Angola	22	91	240	27	Wood	Coapescas
Mar Azul	Semi-ind.	Angola	21	36	396	11	Wood	Cassiano Jose Henriques
Mar Branco	Semi-ind.	Angola	26	87	400	18	Wood	Jagmar, Lda
Marco Polo	Semi-ind.	Namibia	14	30	235	20	Wood	AGL Lda
Marie Jeanne	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	53	---	12	Wood	Cimel, Lda
Mestre Joaquim	Semi-ind.	Angola	19	36	360	21	Wood	Joao Alberto Barros
Mestre Rui	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	39	350	12	Wood	Mestre Rui
Mestre Viegas	Semi-ind.	Angola	27	56	384	25	Wood	Vimar & Filhos
Miradouro	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	26	174	14	Wood	Sopesca Lda

Name of Vessel	Sector	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Miruna	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	24	---	12	Wood	Midato, Lda
Morena	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	42	---	11	Wood	Jose De Costa Araujo
Na So Conceicao	Semi-ind.	Angola	12	37	180	16	Wood	Joao Brito
Na Sra Navegantes	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	26	---	14	Wood	Joao Brito
Nga Silva three	Semi-ind.	Angola	26	67	400	12	Wood	Man Silva Lda
Ngondo one	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	42	---	12	Wood	SPPM Lda
Ngondo two	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	10	---	8	Wood	SPPM Lda
Nguiza	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	48	---	8	Wood	Men-Comercio & Industria, SARL
Nova Esperanca	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	30	---	16	Wood	Marta Fernandes & Filhos
Orca	Semi-ind.	Angola	14	31	180	11	Wood	Henri Mar
Orlando Eugenio	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	50	---	11	Wood	Pesca So-Comercio Industria
Palanca Negra	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	67	---	12	Wood	Rui De Jesus Castro
Palmao	Semi-ind.	Angola	20	88	425	12	Wood	Mavisa-Socied De Pesca Lda
Pastenague	Semi-ind.	Congo	18	31	400	15	Wood	Sopesnor Lda
Paulo Adriana	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	53	---	21	Wood	Aderito Areias
Paulo Sergio	Semi-ind.	Angola	20	60	425	18	Wood	Jose Liberato Falcao Mestre
Pede a Deus	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	13	---	12	Wood	Jose De Castro De Pao
Pérola do Mar	Semi-ind.	Angola	27	20	350	8	Wood	Joao Pereira
Poder de Deus	Semi-ind.	Angola	19	34	365	11	Wood	Henri Mar
Pulo Luis	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	120	---	10	Wood	Pescol Lda
Ricardo Jorge	Semi-ind.	Angola	14	25	200	12	Wood	Joao Eduardo Ramos
Rosa Linda	Semi-ind.	Angola	23	130	510	26	Wood	Coapescas
S dos Navegantes	Semi-ind.	Angola	16	33	160	9	Wood	Jose Manuel Dos Santos Neves
Sa Piedade	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	27	---	19	Wood	Sebastiao V Santos
Salvador	Semi-ind.	Angola	20	57	370	12	Wood	Sopil
Sansao	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	64	---	19	Wood	Soconinfa Lda
Santa Rita	Semi-ind.	Angola	14	32	275	10	Wood	Rito Pesca
Sao	Semi-ind.	Angola	20	28	500	11	Wood	Sopesca Lda
Sao Jorge	Semi-ind.	Angola	13	18	140	10	Wood	Joao Alberto Barros
Sao Pedro	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	17	---	9	Wood	Socipesca Lda
Saturnia	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	32	---	7	Wood	Jose Benedito Dos Santos De Oliveira
Soraya	Semi-ind.	Angola	17	25	350	11	Wood	Mestre Rui
Suca	Semi-ind.	Angola	27	66	400	11	Wood	Organizacoes Suca Lda
Sucesso	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	76	---	21	Wood	Soconinfa Lda
Tanzania	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	42	---	12	Wood	SPPM Lda
Tchitula	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	10	---	8	Wood	Antonio F Melo

Name of Vessel	Sector	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Horse Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Trimar	Semi-ind.	Angola	20	44	350	18	Wood	Trirumo
Vandina	Semi-ind.	Angola	12	19	190	17	Wood	Coapescas
Virgem Dolorosa	Semi-ind.	Angola	23	63	480	20	Wood	Aderito Areias
Winnie one	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	24	---	9	Wood	Organizacoes WW Danelia Lda
Xuxu e Fofa	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	94	---	18	Wood	Coapescas
Zé Luis	Semi-ind.	Angola	---	17	---	12	Wood	Jose Luis

The industrial fleet generally consisted of large (> 20 m) steel-hulled vessels; the semi-industrial vessels were smaller (usually < 20 m), with wooden hulls. The semi-industrial vessels are limited to fishing the inshore area. The characteristics of the two types of vessel are presented in Table 4.9.

**Table 4.9.** A summary of the characteristics of industrial and semi-industrial vessels in the small pelagic purse seine fishery.

Sector	Length (m ± SD)	GRT (Tons ± SD)	Horse Power (kW ± SD)	Crew (±SD)	% Angolan Flag
Industrial vessels	39 ± 10	272 ± 172	1039 ± 503	16 ± 4	44%
Semi-industrial vessels	20 ± 5	42 ± 25	331 ± 137	15 ± 6	96%

Almost all of the semi-industrial fleet were Angolan vessels in 2004 (96%), but only 44% of the industrial fleet was Angolan. The majority of the industrial fleet was made up of Namibian purse seiners (48%) with a South African and Togo flagged vessel making up the rest.

Approximately 382 crewmembers were employed on the industrial vessels, and 1195 were employed on the semi-industrial vessels, making up 1577 vessel-based employees in the Angolan purse seine fishery.

#### 4.3.2 Small pelagic pelagic/mid-water trawl

The pelagic trawl fishery (the equivalent of the mid-water trawl fishery in South Africa and Namibia) is an industrial fishery targeting mainly adult horse mackerel. This was a fishery developed in the 1960's primarily by the Russian and other Eastern-bloc fishing nations using large steel, mid-water to pelagic, stern trawlers. These vessels initially targeted the Namibian horse mackerel, but by the early 1980's had moved into Angolan waters as well.

A moratorium was declared by the Angolan Government on catching adult horse mackerel during the 2004 season, to take pressure off the Cunene horse mackerel resource in an attempt to rebuild the stocks. For this reason, no small pelagic fish quotas were allocated to local companies active in the pelagic trawl fishery.

##### 4.3.2.1 Rights holders

The 2003 small pelagic fish rights holders operating in the pelagic trawl fishery are listed in Table 4.10. All quota allocations for 2004 were set to 0 tons, for the reasons above. Until 2004, there were 11 rights holders in the fishery, all of which were privately owned Angolan

companies, with 100% local shareholding. All rights holders were based in Luanda Province, most from Imgombota (55%) but also from Samba and Viana.

**Table 4.10.** The Angolan small pelagic fish rights holders in the pelagic / mid-water trawl fishery, during the 2004 fishing season.

Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local shares	Allocation (Tons)
Constec	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	0
Copeme	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Gemini SARL	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	0
Higipisca Lda	Private	Viana	Luanda	100	0
Hipergesta SARL	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Organizacoes B.M.F. Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Pelikanus & Associados	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Pescamboim Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Pesinagri Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	0
Supermar Lda	Private	Inbombota	Luanda	100	0
Takiandu	Private	Viana	Luanda	100	0

Employment details were available for all 11 companies operating in the pelagic trawl fishery. They employed 237 Angolan males, 13 Angolan females and 26 foreign males, making up 276 shore-based employees recorded in 2003.

#### 4.3.2.2 Vessels

The 17 industrial-scale vessels that fished in the Angolan pelagic trawl fishery in 2003 are listed in Table 4.11.

**Table 4.11.** The Angolan small pelagic fish, pelagic/mid-water trawl fishing fleet in 2003.

Name of Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Peleda	Congo	---	2811	---	48	Steel	Constec
Ghomi	Angola	---	1698	---	32	Steel	Copeme
Platiman	Angola	---	1846	---	27	Steel	Gemini SARL
Chang Sheng	China	---	3080	---	68	Steel	Higipisca Lda
Griol	Russia	---	669	---	23	Steel	Hipergesta SARL
T Navegator	Russia	---	4069	---	69	Steel	Hipergesta SARL
Alexsey Generalov	Russia	---	253	---	15	Steel	Organizacoes B.M.F. Lda
Nemansky	Russia	---	746	---	18	Steel	Pelikanus & Associados
Semenovsk	Russia	---	1895	---	35	Steel	Pelikanus & Associados
Ulan	Russia	---	746	---	18	Steel	Pelikanus & Associados
Mio	Russia	---	1949	---	45	Steel	Pescamboim Lda
Ostrina	Russia	---	1898	---	37	Steel	Pesinagri Lda
Kozerog	Russia	---	746	---	30	Steel	Supermar Lda
SRTM-KI 1548	Russia	---	746	---	30	Steel	Supermar Lda
Sniper	Angola	---	1895	---	38	Steel	Takiandu
Galatis	Belize	102	3870	2856	12	Steel	Empesco Lda
Hunter	Russia	55	1895	882	38	Steel	Nalshiping Lda

Unfortunately length and power details were not available for most of the vessels in the fleet, but comparing their average GRT of 1800 tons to that of the rest of the Angolan industrial trawling fleet, it is clear that they are comparatively large vessels.

Although the local small pelagic rights holders in the pelagic trawl fishery were all Angolan companies, most of the vessels operating in the fishery were foreign flagged; mainly from Russia (65%). Only three vessels (17%) were Angolan; for the rest, one vessel each was from Belize, Congo and China.

Approximately 580 crewmembers were employed on the vessels making up the Angolan pelagic trawl fleet in 2003; the percentage that consisted of Angolan Nationals is not known, but was probably relatively low.

#### 4.4 Demersal trawl

The demersal trawl fishery in Angola is of interest to this study because hake species are caught. Unlike South Africa and Namibia, whose demersal trawl fisheries are based on hake, less than 10% Angolan demersal trawl fishery is made up of these fishes. At least 50% of the catch is usually made up of *Dentex* spp (*D. macrophthalmus* and *D. angolensis*) and the red pandora *Pagellus belloti*. The rest of the fish caught in the demersal trawl include members of the Scianidae, Pomadasyidae and Serranidae families (i.e. croakers, grunters & groupers). Closer inshore, the big-eye grunt *Brachideuterus auritus* makes up a significant proportion of the catch. Part of the demersal trawl catch consists of a by-catch of deep-water prawns and to a lesser extent, the deep-water red crab. Conversely, hakes are taken as a by-catch in the deep-sea prawn trawl fisheries.

The demersal trawl fishery consists of sub-fisheries, based on the targeted species. The relatively small hake fishery is based mainly in the south, targeting the Benguela hake *Merluccius polli*; in the extreme south, the Cape hake *M. capensis* is also taken. The larger *Dentrex*-based fishery takes place in Angola's central and northern fishing grounds.

Stock abundance assessments for the different groups of fish are based on surveys carried out by fisheries research vessels, in the absence of reliable catch and effort data. These assessments are used to recommend annual TACs for both the hake species and for different groups of demersal fish. Other forms of effort control include a limitation of the number of vessels in the fishery, the prohibition of trawling close to the coast, and minimum size limits.

##### 4.4.1 Rights holders

The global TAC for the Angolan demersal trawl fishery was 25 000 tons in 2004, with 1000 tons set aside for the EU demersal trawl vessels. Unfortunately, rights holder quota allocations were not supplied per sub-fishery or species group by the Angolan Ministry of Fisheries, but rather in an aggregated format. For this reason, it is not clear what types of demersal fishes the rights holders listed in Table 4.12 were targeting. The rights holders can be divided into three distinct groups based on the order of magnitude of their quota allocation; ranging from 10 – 72 tons, 100 – 950 tons and 1000 – 6050 tons. Of the demersal trawl rights holders for which information was available (62% of the total) only one company was State owned, three had both private and State shareholding, and the rest were privately owned enterprises. The State-owned operation and two of the mixed shareholder companies fell within the category of rights holders that were allocated quota of more than 1000 tons. The largest rights holder in 2004 was World Wide Internacional, a mixed State/private shareholder company with 25% of the Angolan demersal trawl quota allocation. The top 10%

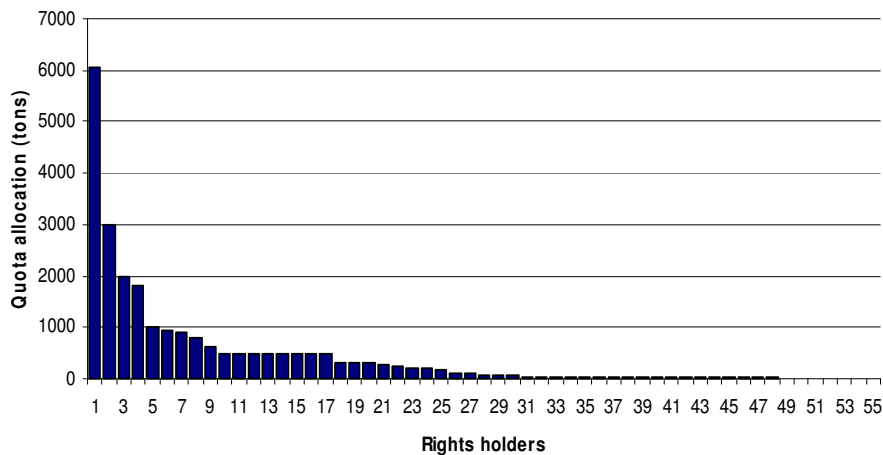
of the rights holders controlled 62% of the demersal trawl quota (Figure 4.3). In terms of local versus foreign shareholding in the rights holding companies, Angolan shareholders owned 76% of the demersal trawl rights allocation.

**Table 4.12.** The rights holders in the Angolan demersal trawl fishery, during the 2004 fishing season.

Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local shares	Allocation (Tons)
World Wide Internacional	Mixed	Ingombota	Luanda	50	6050
Peskwanza, U.E.E	State	Porto Amboim	Kwanza Sul	100	3000
Organizacoes Maritima	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	2000
Herasba Lda	Private	Porto Amboim	Kwanza Sul	100	1800
Sede Lda	Mixed	Baia Farta	Benguela	30	1000
Salie Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	950
IBG Trading Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	900
Marinvest Lda	Private	Porto Amboim	Kwanza Sul	100	800
FADEPA	---	---	---	---	620
Associacao Mutualista Das Pescas	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	480
Cabipescas Lda	Private	Cabinda	Cabinda	100	480
Caixa De Seguranca Social FAA	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	480
Pajanu Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	480
Palbaia Comercio Geral	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	480
Staze Lda	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	480
Supermar Lda	Private	Inbombota	Luanda	100	480
Yapam, Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	480
Gilberto Leite, Lda	---	---	---	---	300
Loangos, Lda	---	---	---	---	300
Mapal Lda	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	300
Star Fish S.A.R.L	Mixed	Namibe	Namibe	60	280
Sopesca Lda	Private	Baia Farta	Benguela	100	250
Jagmar, Lda	Private	Baia Farta	Benguela	100	200
Mavisa, Lda	---	---	---	---	200
Enviatur, Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	170
Cassongue, Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	120
Pescuio	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	100
Socipesca Lda	Private	Baia Farta	Benguela	100	72
Casa Do Comercio, Lda	---	---	---	---	70
Pesinagri Lda	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	70
Muembeje, Lda	---	---	---	---	50
Sambuandi, Lda	---	---	---	---	50
Alfredo Moreira	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	40
Jose De Costa Araujo	Private	Maianga	Luanda	100	40
Sociedade De Pesca PPM Lda	---	---	---	---	40
Tomas Henriques	---	---	---	---	33
Jose M Dos Santos Nunes	---	---	---	---	30
Sagropec, Lda	---	---	---	---	29

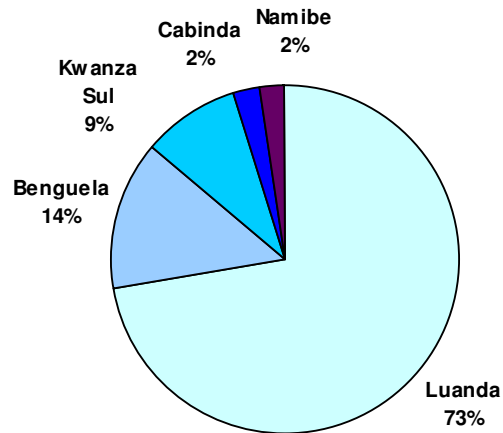


Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local shares	Allocation (Tons)
Golfimar Lda	---	Sambizanga	---	---	23
Agnaldo Jaime	---	---	---	---	20
Antonio Taylor Clemente	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	20
Fazenda Kibambe	---	---	---	---	20
Jose Barros Araujo	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	20
Jose De Castro De Pao	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	20
Jose M Bernardo	---	---	---	---	20
Marbelas, Lda	---	---	---	---	20
Midato, Lda	Private	Maianga	Luanda	100	20
Pedro Antonio Quianica	---	---	---	---	20
Carlos A S De Barros	---	---	---	---	15
Cimel, Lda	Private	Maianga	Luanda	100	15
Elvira Amorim Nelumba					15
IDS, Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	15
Joao Eduardo Barros	---	---	---	---	15
Mavisa-Socied De Pesca Lda	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	15
Casimira Fatima Bengue	---	---	---	---	10



**Figure 4.3.** Rights holder quota allocations for the Angolan demersal trawl fishery in 2004.

Most of the demersal trawl rights holding operations were based in Central or North Angola (i.e. in Luanda (73%), Benguela (14 %) and Cabinda (2%) Provinces, Figure 4.4) but some operations were based in the south (i.e. Namibe), including the large State-owned rights holder Peskwanza, U.E.E.



**Figure 4.4.** The proportion of demersal trawl rights holders per coastal Province in Angola in 2004.

#### 4.4.2 Vessels

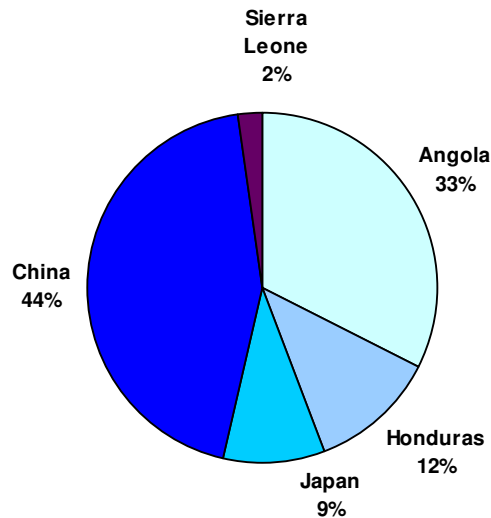
The Angolan demersal trawl fleet consists of large, steel-hulled, industrial scale vessels. About 86% of the 49 or so vessels recorded in the fleet in 2004 were 35 – 55 m in length. More than 50% were within the 35 – 40 m size range. The rest were very large trawlers, ranging from 62 m to 93 m in length. Most of the very large trawlers were owned by World Wide Internacional (Table 4.13).

**Table 4.13.** The Angolan demersal trawl fishing fleet, in 2004.

Name of Vessel	Flag	Length (m)	GRT (tons)	Power (kW)	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Baia no one	Angola	51	356	2800	19	Steel	Palbaia Comercio Geral
Buho no three	Honduras	42	292	1600	18	Steel	Salie Lda
Buho no two	Honduras	40	292	1250	18	Steel	Salie Lda
Catharina Elizabeth	Angola	39	253	425	18	Steel	L & J Pescas Lda
Cuango	Angola	39	222	1200	18	Steel	Assoc Mutualista Das Pescas
Dae Sung fifteen	Japan	44	81	1000	16	Steel	Organizacoes Maritima
Dae Sung nine	Japan	51	349	2700	18	Steel	Organizacoes Maritima
Dae Sung ten	Japan	48	493	1600	17	Steel	Organizacoes Maritima
Dae Sung two	Japan	63	991	2200	21	Steel	Organizacoes Maritima
Intesoro	Angola	31	154	1100	16	Steel	Mapal Lda
Kalandula	Angola	---	222	---	18	Steel	Staze Lda
Liao Puyu 7815	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Peskwanza, U.E.E
Liao Puyu 7816	China	34	117	355	15	Steel	Peskwanza, U.E.E
Luanda eleven	Angola	52	349	2300	21	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Luanda five	Angola	51	349	2700	21	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Luanda one	Angola	51	349	2000	22	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Luanda six	Angola	79	1947	2700	43	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Luanda three	Angola	63	991	2200	22	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Luanda twelve	Angola	93	2094	2700	50	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Luanda two	Angola	62	991	2200	21	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Lwei no one	Angola	---	349	---	18	Steel	Yapam, Lda
Porto Amboim	Angola	36	269	1125	17	Steel	World Wide Internacional

Seta no fifty-seven	Honduras	39	192	1000	18	Steel	IBG Trading Lda
Seta no fifty-six	Honduras	39	192	1000	18	Steel	IBG Trading Lda
Seta No three	Honduras	35	239	1000	18	Steel	Cabipescas Lda
Shin Myung two	Sierra Leone	40	292	1150	18	Steel	Yapam, Lda
Simione	Angola	39	222	1200	18	Steel	Supermar Lda
Sr Boa Viagem	Angola	---	1300	---	16	Steel	Wave Lda
Tanamim	Angola	---	211	---	22	Steel	Caixa De Seguranca Soc.
Xangongo	Angola	46	222	1200	19	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Yan Ming 6805	China	39	185	950	16	Steel	Edipescas-Luanda-UEE
Yan Ming 6806	China	39	185	1000	16	Steel	Edipescas-Luanda-UEE
Yan Ming 6807	China	34	185	450	16	Steel	Marsanto Lda
Yan Ming 6808	China	34	185	450	16	Steel	Marsanto Lda
Yan Ming 6819	China	---	160	---	15	Steel	Peskwanza, U.E.E
Yan Ming 6820	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Peskwanza, U.E.E
Yan Ming 6821	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Peskwanza, U.E.E
Yan Ming 6822	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Peskwanza, U.E.E
Yan Ming 6823	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Herasba Lda
Yan Ming 6824	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Herasba Lda
Yan Ming 6825	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Herasba Lda
Yan Ming 6826	China	36	160	400	15	Steel	Herasba Lda
Yan Ming 6827	China	---	160	---	15	Steel	Visamar Lda
Yan Ming 6828	China	44	160	441	15	Steel	Visamar Lda
Yan Ming 6829	China	36	160	400	12	Steel	Marinvest Lda
Yan Ming 6829	China	36	160	400	12	Steel	ABG Limitada
Yan Ming 6830	China	36	160	400	12	Steel	Marinvest Lda
Yan Ming 6830	China	36	160	400	12	Steel	ABG Limitada
Yan Ming 6831	China	43	284	400	16	Steel	Pajanu Lda
<b>Mean (±SD)</b>	---	<b>37±20</b>	<b>364±427</b>	<b>1145±820</b>	<b>19±7</b>	---	---

Only a third of the fleet were operating under the Angolan flag; the majority were Chinese vessels, with some from Japan, Honduras and one Sierra Leone vessel (Figure 4.5).



**Figure 4.5.** The proportion of Angolan versus foreign-flagged vessels operating in the demersal trawl fishery in 2004.

The average number of crewmembers on the demersal trawl vessels was 19, ranging from 12 to 50 people on the largest vessel. Total ship-based employment in the demersal trawl fishery was in the region of 890 people.

#### 4.5 Large pelagics and tuna

Most of the Angolan large pelagic fishing activity takes place in the southern fishing grounds. Like South Africa and Namibia, Angola is a member of the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT). Angola has been a member of ICCAT since 1976, and regulates its large pelagic (mainly tuna) fishery according to the Convention. The ICCAT statistical database records tuna and swordfish catches by Angolan flagged vessels as far back as 1950.

A range of species are caught, including the so-called “big tunas” such as blue-fin (*Thunnus thynnus*), yellow-fin (*T. albacares*), big-eye (*T. obsesus*), and albacore (*T. alalunga*); and the “small tunas” like the skipjack (*Katsuwonus pelamis*), bonito (*Sarda sarda*), frigate tuna (*Auxis thazard*) and little tuna (*Euthynnus alleteratus*). The smaller tunas are found on the narrow coastal shelf between Lobito and Port Alexandre, where they congregate at certain times during the year. They are normally taken by pole and line vessels, but form part of the by-catch of the seiners. They are migratory, and are usually found in Angolan waters in harvestable numbers between October and January.

The large tunas are generally found further offshore, along the edge of the continental shelf. The yellow-fin tuna is targeted by local pole & line vessels, while big-eye tuna is the major constituent of the Japanese long-line fishery. The yellow-fin tunas form part of an Atlantic population, which spawn off Brazil and the Gulf of Guinea, and are most abundant in southern Angola in summer. In terms of mass of fish caught, the yellow-fin and big-eye tunas make up the bulk of the Angolan large pelagic fishery. Although some swordfish are caught in the fishery, recorded catches have been low<sup>17</sup>.

According to the ICCAT database, tuna catches by Angolan flagged vessels averaged around 10 000 tons per year from 1950 – 1970 (all species). During the next 10 years this average dropped to about 6 700 tons. During the 1980’s the average dropped further, to about 3 300 tons per year. In 1990, just 800 tons was recorded, and by 2001 the reported catches were down to about 340 tons. However, total catches, including the foreign fleet, was estimated at 3600 tons<sup>18</sup>. Data provided by INIP for the non-EU tuna fleet showed a total catch of 1833 tons in 2004. This was divided amongst three groups of vessels; the local *atuneiro* (literally “tunny boats”; 888 tons), semi-industrial pole & line vessels (264 tons) and the pelagic long-line fleet, dominated by Japanese-flagged vessels (681 tons).

##### 4.5.1 Rights holders

All except two of the 14 large pelagic rights holders were private entities, with 100% Angolan shareholding. The other two were mixed companies, with both State and private ownership (Table 4.14). World Wide Internacional was 50% Angolan-owned, while Starfish SARL had 60% local ownership. Total local ownership of the large pelagic fishing rights was 94%. Four of the private rights holders were individuals rather than companies. No quota allocations were reported by INIP for this fishery, although it is regulated by an ICCAT allocated country TAC.

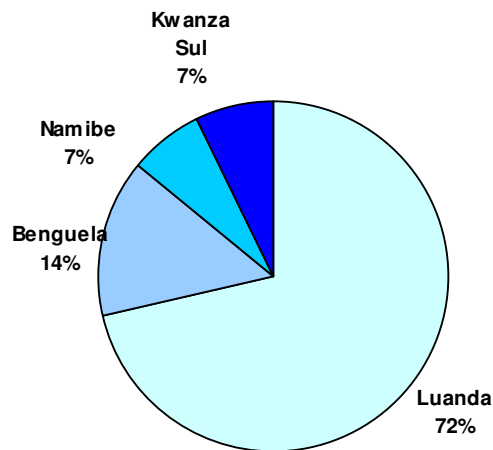
<sup>17</sup> ICCAT Statistical Database

<sup>18</sup> FAO Angola Profile, 2004

**Table 4.14.** The rights holders in the Angolan large pelagic fishery, during the 2004 fishing season.

Company	Type of Enterprise	Towns	Province	% Local shareholding	Allocation (Tons)
Alfredo Moreira	Private	Samba	Luanda	100	0
Hakaros	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Jose Barros Araujo	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Jose M Dos Santos Neves	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Kicomar Lda	Private	Sumbe	Kwanza Sul	100	0
Manuel Antonio Chicuma	Private	Benguela	Benguela	100	0
Marosa	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Organizacoes Alco Lda	Private	Ingombota	Luanda	100	0
Pecom Lda	Private	Cacuaco	Luanda	100	0
Santa-Clara	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	0
Socipesca Lda	Private	Baia Farta	Benguela	100	0
Star Fish S.A.R.L	Mixed	Namibe	Namibe	60	0
Staze Lda	Private	Sambizanga	Luanda	100	0
World Wide Internacional	Mixed	Ingombota	Luanda	50	0

The rights holders mainly operated out of the ports in Luanda Province (71%), but included other central and southern provinces (Fig. 4.6).



**Figure 4.4.** The proportion of large pelagic rights holders per Province in Angola in 2004.

The Angolan large pelagic rights holders employed some 706 people in their shore-based operations, of which 509 were Angolan males, 58 Angolan females and 139 were foreign males.

## 4.5.2 Vessels

The Angolan large pelagic fleet consisted of both industrial and semi-industrial scale vessels in 2004. The industrial scale vessels included seven “tunny boats” and 16 pelagic longliners; the semi-industrial fleet consisted of seven pole & line vessels (Table 4.15). In addition, 15 EU freezer tuna seiners (mainly Spain and France flagged vessels) and 18 pelagic longliners (mainly Spain and Portugal) were targeting tuna in Angolan waters in 2004.

**Table 4.15.** The Angolan demersal trawl fishing fleet, in 2004.

Name of Vessel	Type	Fishing sector	Flag	length	GRT	Horse Power	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Alboniga	Atuneiro	Industrial	Spain	48	940	4400	25	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Bermeotarrak Quatro	Atuneiro	Industrial	Spain	74	1905	4400	25	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Bermeotarrak Três	Atuneiro	Industrial	Spain	62	911	450	25	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Egaluze	Atuneiro	Industrial	Spain	46	703	2000	25	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Kinchuan Hsing no 31	Atuneiro	Industrial	Taiwan	46	489	1000	21	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Txori Eder	Atuneiro	Industrial	Spain	58	834	3000	25	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Zuberoa	Atuneiro	Industrial	Spain	77	1521	4690	35	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Dae Sung no 1	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	50	160	1700	16	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Dae Sung no 16	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	160	1000	18	Steel	Staze Lda
Dae Sung no 17	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	160	1000	16	Steel	World Wide Internacional
Fukukyu Maru no 2	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	50	713	1000	14	Steel	Marosa
Goei Maru no 38	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	195	1200	16	Steel	Hakaros
Kiku Maru no 20	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	160	1000	14	Steel	Hakaros
Kiku Maru no 32	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	160	1000	14	Steel	Hakaros
Kiku Maru no 8	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	48	160	1000	14	Steel	Hakaros
Kinsai Maru 38	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	48	379	1000	10	Steel	Pecom Lda
Kinsai Maru 58	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	48	379	1000	10	Steel	Pecom Lda
Kyoshin Maru no 5	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	50	660	1000	14	Steel	Marosa
Mito Maru no 65	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	48	577	1000	16	Steel	Organizacoes Alco Lda
Shoujin Maru no 28	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	660	1000	16	Steel	Organizacoes Alco Lda
Shoujin Maru no 38	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	49	660	1000	16	Steel	Organizacoes Alco Lda
Shoun Maru no 21	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Japan	42	449	1000	16	Steel	Organizacoes Alco Lda
Txirrine	Pelagic longline	Industrial	Spain	42	855	1700	28	Steel	Kicomar Lda
Dragao do Mar	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Angola	---	32	---	11	Wood	Socipesca Lda
Marias two	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Portugal	21	49	600	5	Wood	Star Fish S.A.R.L
Rainha Santa Isabel	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Angola	12	58	92	14	Wood	Jose M Dos Santos Neves

Name of Vessel	Type	Fishing sector	Flag	length	GRT	Horse Power	Crew	Hull	Rights holder
Santa Clara	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Angola	12	60	92	15	Wood	Santa-Clara
Santa Clara one	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Angola	---	60	---	11	Wood	Alfredo Moreira
Tiro do Mar four	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Angola	19	33	320	9	Wood	Manuel Antonio Chicuma
Zé Martinho	Pole & line	Semi-industrial	Angola	---	35	---	9	Wood	Jose Barros Araujo

The characteristics of the three types of vessels used in the large pelagic fishery are compared in Table 4.16.

**Table 4.16.** A comparison of the characteristics of the three types of vessels in the large pelagic fishery.

Type	length	GRT	Horse Power	Crew Local
<b>Atuneiro (tunny boat)</b>	59 ± 14	1044 ± 495	2849 ± 1738	26 ± 5
<b>Pelagic long-line</b>	49 ± 3	406 ± 249	1100 ± 240	16 ± 4
<b>Pole &amp; line</b>	16 ± 5	47 ± 14	276 ± 242	11 ± 4

The large, powerful tunny boats were all operated by one company, Kicomar, Lda. They were all Spain-flagged, except Kinchuan Hsing no 31, which was a Taiwanese vessel. The pelagic longliners caught fish for a number of rights holders, but were all under the Japanese flag. The relatively small, semi-industrial pole & line vessels were mostly Angolan, except Marias II, a Portuguese-flagged vessel catching tuna for Starfish SARL.

Approximately 180 crewmembers were employed on the tunny boats; 250 on the pelagic longliners, and 75 on the pole & line vessels, totalling 505 sea-going employees in the large pelagic fishery.

The fish caught by the industrial-scale tunny boats and pelagic longliners are processed and frozen at sea, and exported to Japan and Europe.



## 5. CONCLUSION

During the 2003 - 2004 fishing season, there were at least 1057 rights holders actively participating in the commercial fisheries in the BCLME region, operating some 1351 vessels, taking in excess of 1.305 million tons of fish and crustaceans from the ecosystem. The BCLME commercial fisheries are summarised in Table 5.1.

Whilst ever endeavour was made to collect as up to date information for this report as possible, the process of data collection, analysis and report writing was time-consuming. Thus, the report on the rights holders and vessels in the BCLME commercial fisheries was completed in May 2006, almost two years after the fishing season in question. This time lag may not be important in stable, mature fisheries, but in the context of the BCLME fisheries, which at the time of writing are all undergoing a process of transformation, it is significant. In the two years since the data was collected, the South African fishing industry has moved from medium-term (5 years) to long-term (10 – 15 years) rights allocations, resulting in significant restructuring of the rights holders involved. The new Angolan marine resources legislation has been promulgated and implemented, resulting in the expulsion of the EU fishing fleet and renegotiations with other foreign fishing operations in Angolan waters. In Namibia, the pressures of Namibianisation and depleted stocks are causing restructuring in the local fisheries as well. Please refer to the companion report *BCLME/LMR/SE/03/03: Transformation in the Marine Fishing Industries of the BCLME Countries* for an in-depth discussion of these issues.

For the above reasons it is vital that a “living” database of the participants in the BCLME fisheries be maintained, with accurate, up to date information. Aside from the biological data necessary to manage their fisheries, each of the three countries collects information on the participants and vessels in their fishing industries, to a varying degree of intensity. For example, South Africa currently has arguably one of the most detailed databases of fishing industry participants ever collected, after the recent long-term rights allocation process. This database is packed with socio-economic information vital to the region. The proposed regional database should not be a “hold-all”, but be designed for a specific socio-economic purpose for which selected data is supplied from the country databases at an agreed period (i.e. monthly, quarterly, annually, etc.).

The SADC Protocol on Fisheries of 1995 called for a regional fisheries database. To this end, DFID funded the Regional Fisheries Information System (RFIS) project based in Namibia. Although the database was built and tested, the project was shelved when the funding ended. This will be the fate of any regional-type database unless it has a well defined “home”, with adequate funding and infrastructure. The ratification and inception of the Interim Benguela Current Commission in 2006 provides a possible platform from which a socio-economic, regional BCLME fisheries database could develop.

**Table 5.1.** A summary of the BCLME commercial fisheries in the 2003 – 2004 fishing season, by rights holder, quota allocation and number of vessels, per country.

Fishery	South Africa			Namibia			Angola		
	<i>Rights holders</i>	<i>Quota Allocated</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Rights holders</i>	<i>Quota Allocated</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Rights holders</i>	<i>Quota Allocated</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Demersal trawl & longline	210	157976	199	47	183718	158	55 Angola + EU	24000 Angola + 1000 EU	49 Angola + 4 EU
Small pelagic purse seine	113	426031	90	22	24097	14	70	95000	110
Mid-water trawl	17	31500	8	13	351788	20	11	0	17
Large pelagic pole & longline	190	---	226	21	---	41	14 Angola + EU	---	30 Angola + 18 EU
Rock lobster trap	234	2613.75	269	21	405	40			
Deep-sea trawl				5	2298	6			
Red crab trap				3	2000	2	1	690	1
Prawn trawl							10 Angola + EU	940 Angola + 811 EU	27 Angola + 22 EU
<b>Total</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>618120.75</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>564306</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>122441</b>	<b>278</b>



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