

**NMFS West Coast Region Observer Program**  
**Observed Catch - 2016/2017 Drift Gillnet Fishing Season**  
**May 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017**

This table summarizes the total catch and final disposition, by species, of all fish, marine mammals, sea turtles, and seabirds observed caught in the California drift gillnet fishery during the 2016/2017 fishing season. Data were collected at sea by contract observers, and represent a total of 160 sets. Estimated total fishing effort for the season is 714 sets.

Species	Total Caught	Number Kept	Number Returned			Number Damaged	Catch per 100 Sets
			Alive	Dead	Unknown		
Swordfish	543	542	0	1	0	11	339.4
Striped Marlin	4	0	0	4	0	0	2.5
Bluefin Tuna	92	89	0	3	0	2	57.5
Yellowfin Tuna	7	7	0	0	0	0	4.375
Albacore	2	2	0	0	0	0	1.25
Pacific Bonito	126	119	0	7	0	0	78.75
Common Thresher Shark	75	74	1	0	0	0	46.875
Bigeye Thresher Shark	12	0	0	12	0	0	7.5
Shortfin Mako Shark	109	99	7	3	0	0	68.125
Blue Shark	203	3	154	34	12	0	126.9
Unidentified Shark	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.625
Bat Ray	2	0	1	1	0	0	1.25
Unidentified Ray	2	0	2	0	0	0	1.3
Pelagic Stingray	15	0	14	1	0	0	9.375
Louvar	7	7	0	0	0	0	4.375
Jack Mackerel	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.625
Pacific Mackerel	54	14	0	40	0	0	33.75
Unidentified Mackerel	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.6
Common Mola	945	0	915	29	1	1	590.6
Oilfish	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.625
Opah	140	140	0	0	0	0	87.5
Yellowtail	6	6	0	0	0	0	3.75
Pelagic Tunicates	2	0	2	0	0	0	1.25
California Sea Lion	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.625
Northern Right Whale Dolphin	6	0	0	6	0	0	3.75
Short Beaked Common Dolphin	10	0	0	10	0	0	6.25
Long Beaked Common Dolphin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.625
Unidentified Common Dolphin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.625