



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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 NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
 NORTHEAST REGION
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LANDINGS OF LARGE MEDIUM AND GIANT BLUEFIN TUNA As of February 28, 2009

		Current Year: 2009				Previous Year: 2008		
Category	Sub Category	Count of Fish	Average Weight	Gross Weight	Proposed Initial Quotas	Count of Fish	Average Weight	Gross Weight
General	-	163	334.4	24.7	623.1	230	340.4	35.5
	Rod and Reel	163	334.4	24.7		230	340.4	35.5
Harpoon	-				51.6			
Longline	-	59	524.0	14.0	99.3	61	521.2	14.4
	North	6	311.3	0.8	54.7	11	316.2	1.6
	South	53	548.1	13.2	44.6	50	566.3	12.8
Trap	-				1.3			
Purse Seine	-				246.0			
Angling	-	1	255.0	0.1				
	North				2.0			
	South	1	255.0	0.1	3.1			
Reserve	-				180.4			
Total:		223	384.2	38.8	1206.8	291	378.3	49.9

NOTE

This report **SHOULD NOT** be considered useful for real time catch monitoring purposes. It only includes landings reported to NMFS to date.

Average Weight: based on individual weights in pounds.

Gross Weight: Metric Tons

Angling: Records large, medium and giant size class (trophy). Does not include school, large school or small medium size class tuna harvested.

Longline North: Includes quota and landings for the NED set-aside.

This notice is a courtesy to Atlantic tuna fisheries interests to keep you informed about your fishery. Official notice of Federal fishery actions is made through filing such notice with the Office of the Federal Register. To view catch statistics from previous months, please visit <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/Tuna.htm> or contact Brad McHale at (978) 281-9260.

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