

Seafood Watch, Liberty Asia & Sustainable Fisheries Partnership: Seafood Slavery Risk Tool

Fishery Profile Data Analysis

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Profile Names¹ and Risk Ratings

Species ²	Country ³	Risk rating
Marine Stewardship Council-certified Skipjack Tuna with the Pacific logo	Parties to the Nauru Agreement and Tokelau	LOW RISK
Marine Stewardship Council-certified Yellowfin Tuna with the Pacific logo	Parties to the Nauru Agreement and Tokelau	LOW RISK

1. Profile names denote species name and country.
2. The Seafood Slavery Risk Tool uses the [Food and Agriculture Organization's](#) (FAO) species names. For scientific and other species names, please see below.
3. "Country" refers to the flag state of vessels and/or the country where the catch is landed. The Seafood Slavery Risk Tool uses [FAO data](#) as its primary source for determining this information.

Profile Fishery Information

Other species names	Skipjack tuna, <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i> Yellowfin tuna, <i>Thunnus albacares</i>
Risk rating	LOW RISK

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Location

Exclusive Economic Zones of PNA member countries¹ and [Tokelau](#).



Kirarock, Rodney. 2016. "NDEG | Pacifical Co-Branding in the Nauru Agreement." *New Directions in Environmental Governance* (blog). March 3, 2016. <http://ndeg.apps01.yorku.ca/2016/03/03/pacifical-co-branding-nauru-agreement/>.

¹ Purse seine vessels that are registered to fish in the Parties to the Nauru Agreement (PNA) Marine Stewardship Council-certified fishery. PNA countries include the Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Tuvalu.

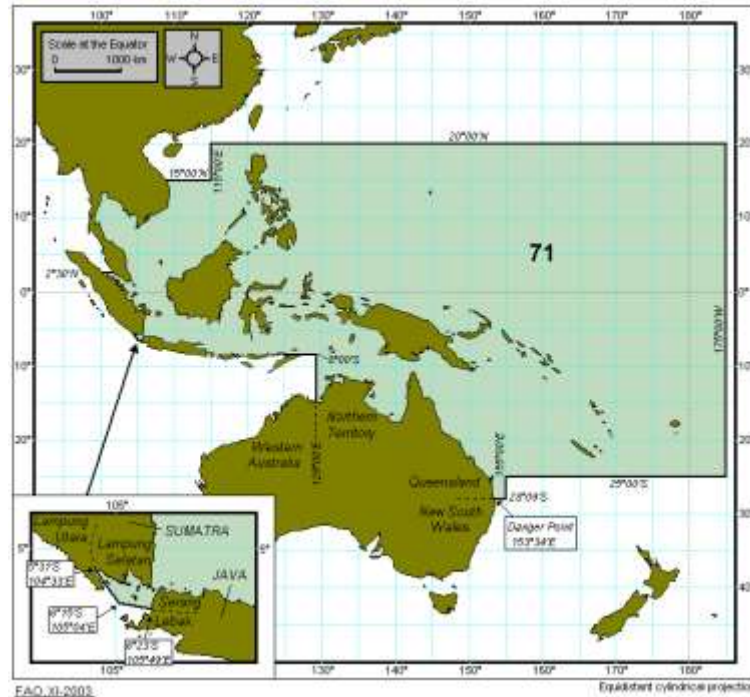
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An interactive map of the PNA countries is available at http://www.pacifical.com/the_pacifical_countries.html.

FAO fishing area(s)

[PACIFIC, WESTERN CENTRAL \(Major Fishing Area 71\)](#)



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To view all FAO Major Fishing Areas, see <http://www.fao.org/fishery/area/search/en>.

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Governance	Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency Parties to the Nauru Agreement Te Vaka Moana Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission
Flag state(s)*	PNA countries, Tokelau (PNA countries include the Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Tuvalu.)
Method	Unassociated purse seines (non-FAD) only. For more information, see FAO Fishing Gear Types . This rating does not cover PNA tuna caught with floating object purse seines, longlines, or pole-and-lines.

* As a general rule, only countries that landed more than 5% of the total global catch are assessed.

Explanation of Risk Rating

Marine Stewardship Council (MSC)-certified skipjack and yellowfin tuna carrying the Pacifical logo is rated LOW RISK. The Pacifical logo signifies that the skipjack and yellowfin tuna were caught on unassociated (non-FAD) purse seine vessels with MSC-trained observers that monitor and report on adherence to the unique Pacifical-MSC program. Pacifical is a tuna marketing company created by the eight countries that are signatories to the Parties to the Nauru Agreement (PNA), including the Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Tuvalu. Pacifical's [Social Accountability Guidelines](#) prohibit forced labor and human trafficking, require decent working conditions and pay for fishermen, and prohibit the use of child laborers under the age of 16 and hazardous and night work under the age of 18. MSC observers may notify PNA authorities if they observe violations of Pacifical's Social Accountability Guidelines. According to Pacifical, these guidelines cover over 300 industrial fishing and transport vessels from more than 10 countries. To

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achieve MSC certification for skipjack and yellowfin tuna, the captain and crew of PNA-registered vessels must first be trained on MSC's procedures. Second, the captain must apply to the PNA Office for an MSC Trip Number and be assigned an MSC-trained observer who monitors that all requirements are followed. Third, the MSC-eligible tuna must be landed at one of the designated PNA ports and verified by another MSC observer to achieve MSC certification and the Pacifical logo. The tuna is MSC Chain of Custody-certified, ensuring that it is kept separate in the supply chain from tuna caught by other methods and is 100% traceable from the time it is caught to the store shelf. Pacifical tuna is only caught in the Exclusive Economic Zones of PNA countries and Tokelau. For more information, see [Pacifical](#) and [Parties to the Nauru Agreement](#).

Low Risk	Fair Trade U.S. has certified the fishery - OR - Direct evidence of supply chain due diligence is provided - OR - Registration with a vessel-based accreditation program that requires decent working conditions for crewmembers
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