





## Facts & figures

Guyana's annual harvest of Atlantic seabob is **17 000 tonnes** worth an estimated **USD 35 million**.

According to a 2019 assessment, Atlantic seabob is fully exploited and a new **Harvest Control Rule** came into force in **2020** to better monitor the fishery.

Guyana's seabob fishery includes **71** licensed trawlers, and over **300** artisanal Chinese seine fishers.

The three largest processing companies employ some **800** people in processing, **40%** of whom are women.

Some **840** people work in artisanal shrimps fishing, nearly **60%** as fishers.

**In 2019**, Guyana's industrial seabob fishery received Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) certification.

Guyana is the world's largest producer of Atlantic seabob, a commercially important shrimp captured from the Atlantic coast of the US all the way down to Brazil.

A few industrial processors in Guyana export frozen peeled shrimp to markets in North America and Europe, while artisanal fishers supply the local market with the remaining one percent of catches.

To improve the sector's productivity and reduce its ecological footprint, a broad coalition of national and regional partners has joined hands with FISH4ACP to tackle major challenges, such as a declining stock, while maximizing the benefits for local fisher folk, in particular for women.

**FISH4ACP** is building capacities of artisanal fisher folk in areas such as governance, marketing and data management and helps improve infrastructure and increase product value. It also supports industrial actors in reducing bycatch and contributes to improving government capacities in responsible stock management.



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