WWF Mediterranean Tuna Collapse Trends

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Breeding population cut by half in less than 5 years (2002-2007)
Spawners might become virtually extinct by 2012

Source: Data on recent decline of the population (solid blue line) taken from SCRS ICCAT, Bluefin tuna stock assessment, 2008; dashed red line on forecasted trajectory of the population estimated by WWF
Western Mediterranean (Spain, 51% decrease in spawners’ size)

Mean size of tuna caught by Spanish purse seines in W Mediterranean (June)

Central Mediterranean (Tunisia, 53% decrease in spawners’ size)

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<th>Year</th>
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Eastern Mediterranean (Turkey, at least 49% decrease in spawner’s size)