

Release of Reserved Quota

For catch quotas for commercial whaling for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019, the following numbers were deducted from the catch limits calculated by the scientific method; i) number of whales caught through Japanese scientific research program in 2019, ii) number of bycatch caught by set net, and iii) number of reserved animals by the Government.

(<http://www.jfa.maff.go.jp/e/whale/attach/pdf/index-5.pdf>)

As for minke whales and Bryde's whales, as the total catch is expected to reach the initial catch quota, the Government will release its reserved quota within the catch limit calculated by the scientific method. The catch quota after the addition of the released quota will be as follows:

	Catch limit	Initial Quota		After release in 26 August 2019		After release in 30 August 2019	
		Catch quota	Reserved quota	Catch quota	Reserved quota	Catch quota	Reserved quota
Minke whale	171	52	1	52	1	53	0
Bryde's whale	187	150	37	187	0	187	0
Sei whale	25	25	0	25	0	25	0