

**Table S2.** Distance and starting year of sea cucumber fisheries by country. Listed are each country's largest city (by population), its location, its distance from Hong Kong, the starting year of the sea cucumber fishery, and a verification reference.

Country	Largest city	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Distance (1000 km)	Start (year)	Reference
China/Hong Kong	HK Int. Airport	22.34	114.01	0	NA	NA
Philippines	Manila	14.62	120.97	0.87	1961	[1, 2]
Indonesia	Jakarta	-6.18	106.83	1.34	1982	[3]
Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	3.16	101.71	1.50	1963	[4]
Korea South	Seoul	37.56	126.99	1.67	1950	[5]
Japan	Tokyo	35.67	139.77	2.99	1950	[6]
Sri Lanka	Colombo	6.93	79.85	3.77	1976	[7]
Papua New Guinea	Port Moresby	-9.48	147.18	4.25	1986	[8]
Maldives	Male	4.17	73.50	4.45	1984	[9]
Solomon Islands	Honiara	-9.43	159.91	5.60	1984	[10]
New Caledonia	Noumea	-22.27	166.44	6.71	1977	[11]
Madagascar	Antananarivo	-18.89	47.51	6.92	1964	[12]
Fiji	Suva	-18.13	178.43	7.84	1970	[13, 14]
Tanzania	Dar es Salaam	-6.82	39.28	8.05	1963	[15–17]
Egypt	Cairo	30.06	31.25	9.19	2002	[18, 19]
US - Alaska	Anchorage	61.18	-149.19	11.28	1981	[20, 21]
Canada West	Vancouver	49.28	-123.13	13.86	1985	[21, 22]
US - Washington State	Seattle	47.62	-122.35	13.93	1971	[20, 21]
US - California	Los Angeles	34.11	-118.41	14.24	1978	[20, 21]
Mexico	Mexico City	19.43	-99.14	16.35	1998	[23, 24]
Chile	Santiago	-33.46	-70.64	17.77	1992	[23]
Canada East	Halifax	44.67	-63.61	18.95	1999	[21, 25, 26]
US - Maine	Portland	43.66	-70.28	19.04	1993	[20, 21]

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