



2025 Country profile

Namibia

World ranking

127 of 152 countries ▼ 31

Africa ranking

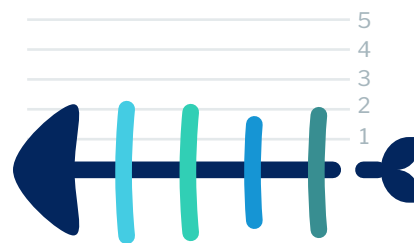
35 of 38 countries ▼ 7

East Atlantic ranking

27 of 41 countries ▼ 5

2025
IUU
Score

2.02

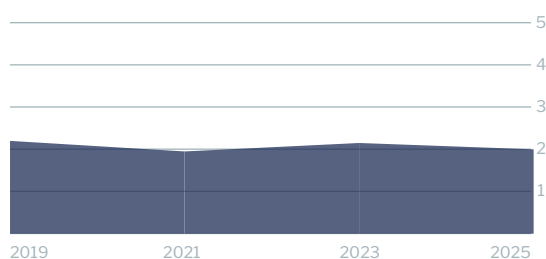


2.31 2.08 1.67 2.03

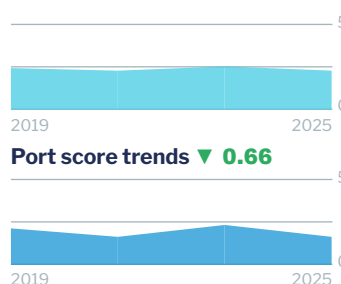
Coastal Flag Port General

IUU score trends

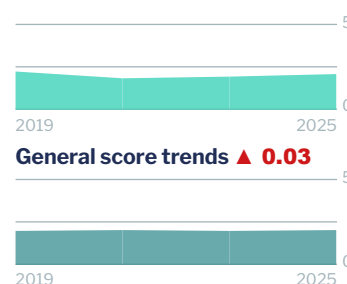
2023 - 2025 change ▼ 0.14



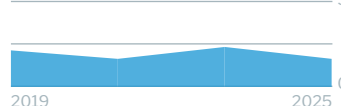
Coastal score trends ▼ 0.25



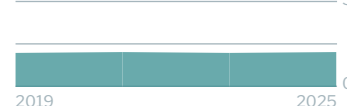
Flag score trends ▲ 0.12



Port score trends ▼ 0.66



General score trends ▲ 0.03



Note: Higher scores closer to 5, and ranks closer to 1, indicate worse/poor performance. Green or red arrows show change in 2025 compared to 2023

Coastal score

2.31

▼ 0.25

Coastal score by vulnerability

2.83

▼ 0.67

Related Indicators

	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Size of EEZ	4.0	4.0	— 0	4.0
Agreement over all maritime boundaries	5.0	1.0	▲ 4.0	1.0
Dependency on fish for protein	2.0	2.0	— 0	2.0
Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ	1.0	5.0	▼ 4.0	5.0

Coastal score by prevalence

2.20

— 0

Has MSC-certified fisheries	4.0	4.0	— 0	4.0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

Coastal score by response

1.80

— 0

Coastal State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	3.0	3.0	— 0	1.0
Operate a national VMS/FMC centre	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0



Flag score **2.08** ▲ **0.12**

Flag score by vulnerability **2.50** ▲ **1.00**

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	2.0	2.0	— 0	2.0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	3.0	1.0	▲ 2.0	2.0

Flag score by prevalence **1.67** — 0

Vessels on IUU lists	2.0	2.0	— 0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on flag state compliance incidents	2.0	2.0	— 0	1.0
Views of MCS practitioners on flag state compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

Flag score by response **2.22** ▼ **0.34**

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	3.0	3.0	— 0	3.0
Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0	5.0
Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

 Indicator “Authorised vessel data provided to FAO HSVAR” used in 2019 was changed to “Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership” from 2021.

Port score **1.67** ▼ **0.66**

Port score by vulnerability **4.00** — 0

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Number of fishing ports	3.0	3.0	— 0	3.0
Port visits by foreign fishing or carrier vessels	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0

Port score by prevalence **1.00** — 0

Views of MCS practitioners on port compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on port compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

**Port score by response** **1.00** ▼ **1.50**

Related Indicators

	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Party to the PSMA	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Designated ports specified for entry by foreign vessels	1.0	5.0	▼ 4.0	1.0
Compliance with RFMO port state obligations	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

General score **2.03** ▲ **0.03****General score by vulnerability** **2.78** — 0

Related Indicators

	2025	2023	2019-2021 change	2021
Trade balance for fisheries products	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0
Share of global imports	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Perception of levels of corruption	3.0	3.0	— 0	3.0
Gross national income per capita	4.0	3.0	▲ 1.0	3.0
Volume of catches	1.0	2.0	▼ 1.0	2.0

General score by prevalence **1.43** ▲ **0.43**

Carded' under the EU IUU Regulation	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Identified' by NOAA for IUU fishing	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Mentions of IUU fishing in media reports	2.0	1.0	▲ 1.0	1.0

General score by response **1.86** ▼ **0.14**

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Demand for MSC products	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0
Ratification/accession of UNCLOS Convention	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Ratification/accession of UNFSA	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Mentions in media reports to combatting IUU fishing	3.0	4.0	▼ 1.0	3.0
Have a NPOA-IUU	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	— 0	3.0