



2021 Country profile

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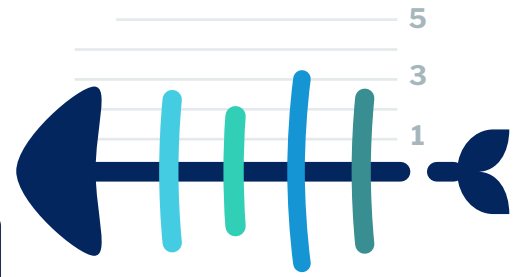
World ranking  
67 of 152 countries ▲ 35

Middle East ranking  
9 of 15 countries ▲ 3

West Indian Ocean ranking  
13 of 22 countries ▲ 7

2021 IUU Score

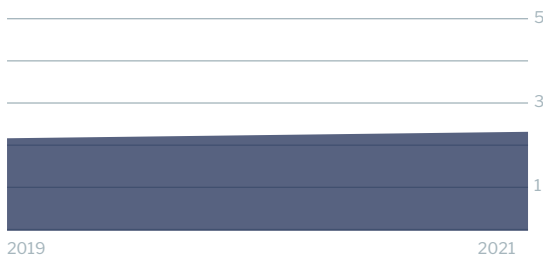
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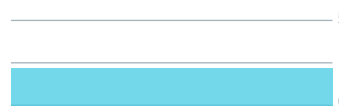
2.18 Coastal  
1.59 Flag  
3.13 Port  
2.29 General

IUU score trends

2019 - 2021 change ▲ 0.14



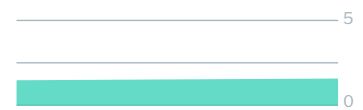
Coastal score trends — 0



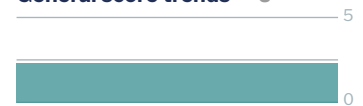
Port score trends ▲ 0.47



Flag score trends ▲ 0.09



General score trends — 0



Note: Higher scores, and ranks closer to 1, indicate worse/poor performance. Green or red arrows show change in 2021 compared to 2019.

Coastal score **2.18** — 0

Coastal score by vulnerability **2.25** — 0

Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Size of EEZ	1.0	1.0	— 0
Agreement over all maritime boundaries	5.0*	5.0	— 0
Dependency on fish for protein	2.0	2.0	— 0
Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ	not available	not available	

\* indicates that scores from the 2019 version of the Index have been used due to 2021 data not being available

Coastal score by prevalence **2.60** — 0

Has MSC-certified fisheries	5.0	5.0	— 0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	— 0

Coastal score by response **1.00** — 0

Coastal State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	— 0
Operate a national VMS/FMC centre	not available	not available	

**Flag score** 1.59 ▲ 0.09

**Flag score by vulnerability** 1.00 – 0

Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	1.0	1.0	– 0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	not applicable	not applicable	

**Flag score by prevalence** 1.00 – 0

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

**Flag score by response** 3.00 – 0

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	not applicable	not applicable	
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	3.0	not available	
Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record	5.0	5.0	– 0
Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations	not applicable	not applicable	
Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	– 0

 Indicator ‘Authorised vessel data provided to FAO HSVAR’ used in 2019 has now changed to ‘Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership’.

**Port score** 3.13 ▲ 0.47

**Port score by vulnerability** 4.00 – 0

Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Number of fishing ports	3.0	3.0	– 0
Port visits by foreign fishing or carrier vessels	5.0	5.0	– 0

**Port score by prevalence** 1.00 – 0

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



## Port score by response 5.00 – 0

Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Party to the PSMA	5.0	5.0	– 0
Designated ports specified for entry by foreign vessels	5.0	not applicable	
Compliance with RFMO port state obligations	not applicable	not applicable	

## General score 2.29 – 0

### General score by vulnerability 2.44 – 0

Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Trade balance for fisheries products	5.0	5.0	– 0
Share of global imports	1.0	1.0	– 0
Perception of levels of corruption	4.0	4.0	– 0
Gross national income per capita	1.0	1.0	– 0
Volume of catches	1.0	1.0	– 0

### General score by prevalence 1.00 – 0

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

### General score by response 3.25 – 0

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	not available	not available	
Demand for MSC products	4.0	4.0	– 0
Ratification/accession of UNCLOS Convention	1.0	1.0	– 0
Ratification/accession of UNFSA	5.0	5.0	– 0
Mentions in media reports to combatting IUU fishing	5.0	5.0	– 0
Have a NPOA-IUU	not available	not available	
Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	– 0