

## 2021 Country profile

# Syria

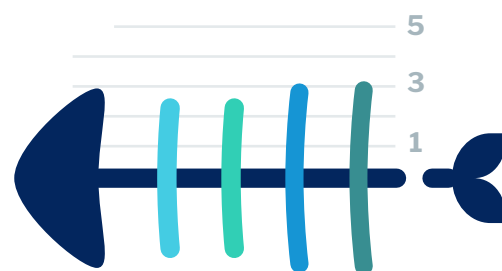
**World ranking**  
29 of 152 countries ▼ 7

**Middle East ranking**  
3 of 15 countries ▼ 1

**Mediterranean & Black Sea ranking**  
5 of 26 countries ▼ 3

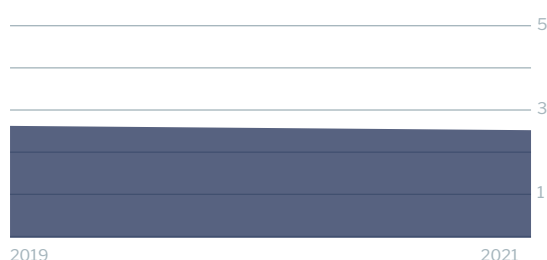
2021  
IUU  
Score

**2.51**

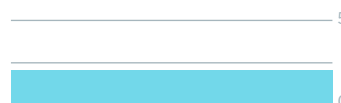


### IUU score trends

2019 - 2021 change ▼ 0.10



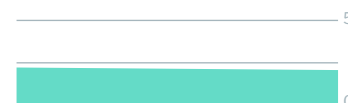
### Coastal score trends — 0



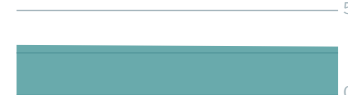
### Port score trends ▼ 0.16



### Flag score trends ▼ 0.17



### General score trends ▼ 0.08



**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 **2.09** — 0

### Coastal score by vulnerability **2.00** — 0

#### Related Indicators

	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Size of EEZ	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	— 0
Agreement over all maritime boundaries	<b>5.0*</b>	5.0	— 0
Dependency on fish for protein	<b>1.0*</b>	1.0	— 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	<b>5.0</b>	5.0	— 0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	— 0

### Coastal score by response **1.00** — 0

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



**Flag score** **2.08** ▼ **0.17**


**Flag score by vulnerability** **2.00** — 0


Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	— 0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	— 0

**Flag score by prevalence** **1.00** — 0

Vessels on IUU lists	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 0
View of fisheries observers on flag state compliance incidents	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 0
Views of MCS practitioners on flag state compliance incidents	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 0

**Flag score by response** **3.22** ▼ **0.44**

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 0
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	<b>1.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	▼ <b>4.0</b>
Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record	<b>5.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	— 0
Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations	<b>5.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	— 0
Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 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** **2.78** ▼ **0.16**

**Port score by vulnerability** **4.00** — 0

Related Indicators	2021	2019	2019-2021 change
Number of fishing ports	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	— 0
Port visits by foreign fishing or carrier vessels	<b>5.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	— 0

**Port score by prevalence** **1.00** — 0

Views of MCS practitioners on port compliance incidents	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 0
View of fisheries observers on port compliance incidents	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	— 0


**Port score by response** **3.50** ▼ **0.90**

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	1.0	4.0	▼ 3.0

**General score** **2.92** ▼ **0.08**
**General score by vulnerability** **3.44** ▼ **0.22**

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	5.0	5.0	— 0
Gross national income per capita	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0
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** **4.00** — 0

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	not available	not available	
Demand for MSC products	5.0	5.0	— 0
Ratification/accession of UNCLOS Convention	5.0	5.0	— 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