



2025 Country profile

Bahamas

World ranking

75 of 152 countries ▼ 21

Caribbean & Central America ranking

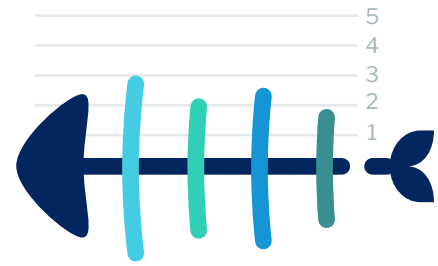
8 of 21 countries ▼ 2

West Atlantic ranking

13 of 29 countries ▼ 5

2025
IUU
Score

2.28

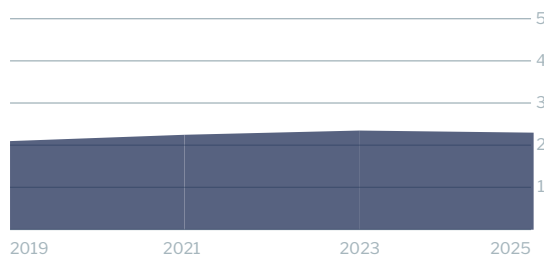


3.00 2.21 2.60 1.83

Coastal Flag Port General

IUU score trends

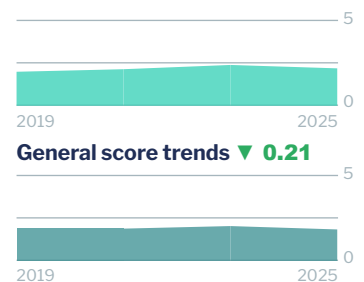
2023 - 2025 change ▼ 0.07



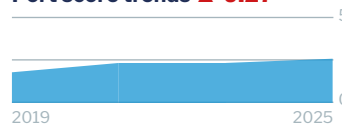
Coastal score trends — 0



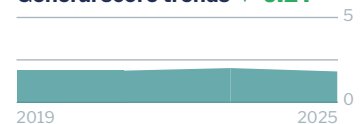
Flag score trends ▼ 0.17



Port score trends ▲ 0.27



General score trends ▼ 0.21



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

 3.00 — 0

Coastal score by vulnerability

 4.00 — 0

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*	5.0	— 0	5.0
Dependency on fish for protein	3.0	3.0	— 0	3.0
Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ	not available	not available		not available

* indicates that scores from an older version of the Index have been used due to 2025 data not being available.

Coastal score by prevalence

 2.20 — 0

Has MSC-certified fisheries	4.0	4.0	— 0	5.0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

Coastal score by response

 3.00 — 0

Coastal State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	3.0	3.0	— 0	3.0
Operate a national VMS/FMC centre	not available	not available		not available


Flag score **2.21** ▼ **0.17**
Flag score by vulnerability **2.00** ▼ **1.00**

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	3.0	4.0	▼ 1.0	3.0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	1.0	2.0	▼ 1.0	2.0

Flag score by prevalence **1.33** – 0

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

Flag score by response **3.22** ▲ **0.22**

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	3.0	2.0	▲ 1.0	2.0

 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 **2.60** ▲ **0.27**
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

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Port score by response **3.40** **▲ 0.90**

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	5.0*	5.0	— 0	5.0
Compliance with RFMO port state obligations	not available	1.0		1.0

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General score **1.83** **▼ 0.21**
General score by vulnerability **1.44** **▼ 0.23**

Related Indicators

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

General score by prevalence **1.00** **▼ 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	1.0	2.0	▼ 1.0	1.0

General score by response **3.00** **— 0**

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	not available	not available		not available
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	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0
Have a NPOA-IUU	not available	not available		not available
Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0