



2025 Country profile

Mauritania

World ranking

30 of 152 countries ▲ 6

Africa ranking

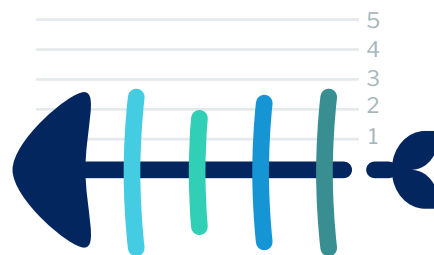
11 of 38 countries ▲ 2

East Atlantic ranking

7 of 41 countries ▲ 1

2025
IUU
Score

2.46

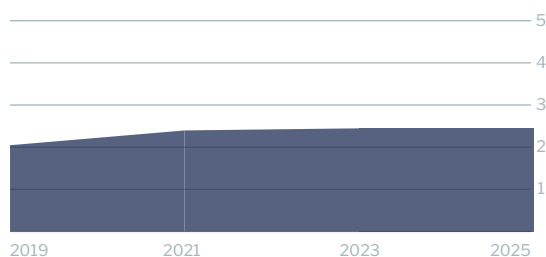


2.69 1.90 2.50 2.70

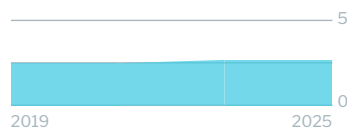
Coastal Flag Port General

IUU score trends

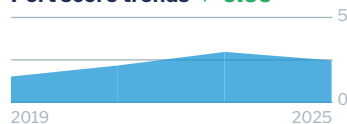
2023 - 2025 change ▲ 0.02



Coastal score trends — 0



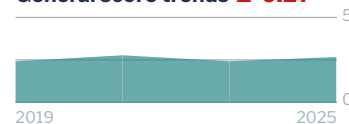
Port score trends ▼ 0.50



Flag score trends ▲ 0.15



General score trends ▲ 0.27



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

2.69

— 0

Coastal score by vulnerability

3.67

— 0

Related Indicators

	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Size of EEZ	3.0	3.0	— 0	3.0
Agreement over all maritime boundaries	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0
Dependency on fish for protein	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0

Coastal score by prevalence

3.20

— 0

Has MSC-certified fisheries	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	2.0	2.0	— 0	1.0

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	1.0
Operate a national VMS/FMC centre	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0


Flag score **1.90** ▲ **0.15**
Flag score by vulnerability **1.00** – 0

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	not available	not applicable		not applicable

Flag score by prevalence **1.00** – 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	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0

Flag score by response **3.25** ▲ **0.37**

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	not available	not applicable		not applicable
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	3.0	2.0	▲ 1.0	3.0
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 **2.50** ▼ **0.50**
Port score by vulnerability **4.00** – 0

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Number of fishing ports	3.0	3.0	– 0	2.0
Port visits by foreign fishing or carrier vessels	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0

Port score by prevalence **1.50** – 0

Views of MCS practitioners on port compliance incidents	2.0	2.0	– 0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on port compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0


Port score by response **2.50** ▼ **1.13**

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	1.0	4.0	▼ 3.0	1.0

General score **2.70** ▲ **0.27**
General score by vulnerability **3.33** ▼ **0.23**

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	4.0	4.0	— 0	4.0
Gross national income per capita	4.0	4.0	— 0	5.0
Volume of catches	2.0	3.0	▼ 1.0	2.0

General score by prevalence **1.00** — 0

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	1.0	— 0	3.0

General score by response **3.14** ▲ **0.71**

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	1.0	1.0	— 0	not applicable
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	5.0	5.0	— 0	5.0
Mentions in media reports to combatting IUU fishing	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0	5.0
Have a NPOA-IUU	5.0	1.0	▲ 4.0	1.0
Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0