



## 2025 Country profile

# Mexico

## World ranking

58 of 152 countries ▼ 47

## Caribbean &amp; Central America ranking

4 of 21 countries ▼ 3

## West Atlantic ranking

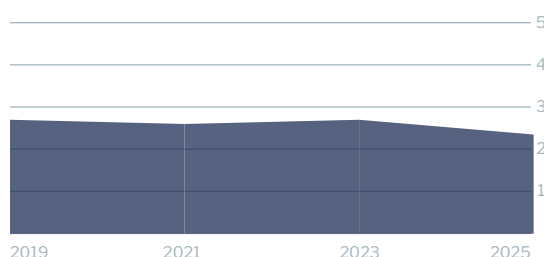
8 of 29 countries ▼ 7

## Eastern Pacific ranking

6 of 13 countries ▼ 5

## IUU score trends

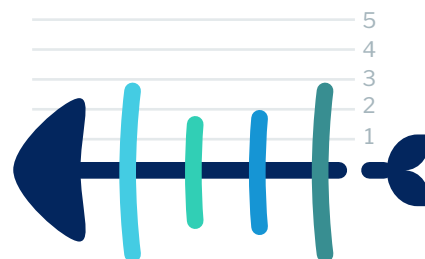
2023 - 2025 change ▼ 0.36



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

2025  
IUU  
Score

2.34



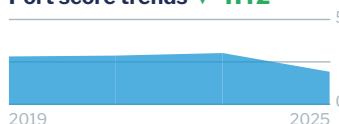
2.86 1.71 1.94 2.89

Coastal Flag Port General

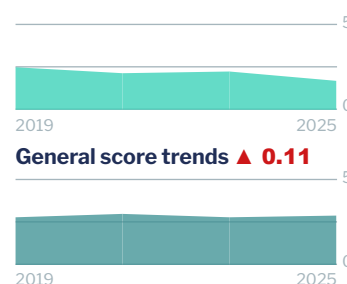
## Coastal score trends — 0



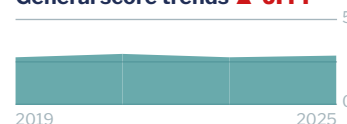
## Port score trends ▼ 1.12



## Flag score trends ▼ 0.54



## General score trends ▲ 0.11



## Coastal score

2.86

— 0

## Coastal score by vulnerability

4.25

— 0

## Related Indicators

|                                             | 2025          | 2023          | 2023-2025 change | 2021          |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| Size of EEZ                                 | 5.0           | 5.0           | — 0              | 5.0           |
| Agreement over all maritime boundaries      | 5.0*          | 5.0           | — 0              | 5.0           |
| Dependency on fish for protein              | 2.0           | 2.0           | — 0              | 2.0           |
| Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ | not available | not available |                  | not available |

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## Coastal score by prevalence

2.00

— 0

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

## Coastal score by response

2.60

— 0

|                                                                                               |      |     |     |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Coastal State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs | 5.0  | 5.0 | — 0 | 3.0 |
| Operate a national VMS/FMC centre                                                             | 1.0* | 1.0 | — 0 | 1.0 |

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**Flag score** **1.71** ▼ **0.54**

**Flag score by vulnerability** **3.00** ▼ **0.50**

| Related Indicators                        | 2025 | 2023 | 2023-2025<br>change | 2021 |
|-------------------------------------------|------|------|---------------------|------|
| Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs        | 4.0  | 4.0  | — 0                 | 4.0  |
| Distant water vessels under several RFMOs | 2.0  | 3.0  | ▼ 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 | 2.0 | 2.0 | — 0 | 1.0 |
| Views of MCS practitioners on flag state compliance incidents  | 1.0 | 1.0 | — 0 | 2.0 |

**Flag score by response** **1.22** ▼ **1.11**

|                                                                                                                                          |     |     |       |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement                                                                                                        | 1.0 | 1.0 | — 0   | 1.0 |
| Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership  | 3.0 | 3.0 | — 0   | 2.0 |
| Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record                                                                                  | 1.0 | 5.0 | ▼ 4.0 | 5.0 |
| Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations                                                                                              | 1.0 | 1.0 | — 0   | 2.0 |
| Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs                                               | 1.0 | 2.0 | ▼ 1.0 | 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** **1.94** ▼ **1.12**

**Port score by vulnerability** **4.50** — 0

| Related Indicators                                | 2025 | 2023 | 2023-2025<br>change | 2021 |
|---------------------------------------------------|------|------|---------------------|------|
| Number of fishing ports                           | 4.0* | 4.0  | — 0                 | 4.0  |
| 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 |

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**Port score by response** **1.00** ▼ **2.50**

Related Indicators

Party to the PSMA

2025

1.0

2023

5.0

2023-2025  
change

▼ 4.0

2021

5.0

Designated ports specified for entry by foreign vessels

1.0\*

5.0

▼ 4.0

5.0

Compliance with RFMO port state obligations

1.0

1.0

— 0

1.0

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**General score** **2.89** ▲ **0.11****General score by vulnerability** **3.00** ▲ **0.22**

Related Indicators

Trade balance for fisheries products

2025

2.0

2023

2.0

2019-2021  
change

— 0

2021

2.0

Share of global imports

1.0

1.0

— 0

2.0

Perception of levels of corruption

4.0

4.0

— 0

4.0

Gross national income per capita

2.0

2.0

— 0

3.0

Volume of catches

4.0

3.0

▲ 1.0

3.0

**General score by prevalence** **3.43** ▼ **0.43**

Carded' under the EU IUU Regulation

1.0

1.0

— 0

1.0

Identified' by NOAA for IUU fishing

5.0

5.0

— 0

4.0

Mentions of IUU fishing in media reports

4.0

5.0

▼ 1.0

4.0

**General score by response** **2.45** ▲ **0.36**

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet

1.0\*

1.0

— 0

1.0

Demand for MSC products

4.0

4.0

— 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

2.0

▲ 2.0

5.0

Have a NPOA-IUU

not  
availablenot  
availablenot  
available

Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs

1.0

1.0

— 0

1.0