



2025 Country profile

Portugal

World ranking

54 of 152 countries ▲ 29

Europe ranking

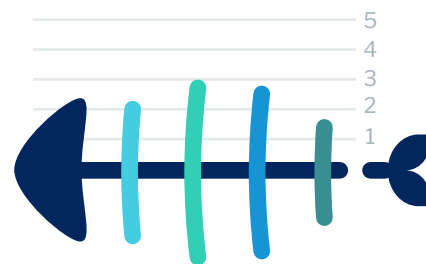
6 of 31 countries ▲ 2

East Atlantic ranking

15 of 41 countries ▲ 5

2025
IUU
Score

2.34

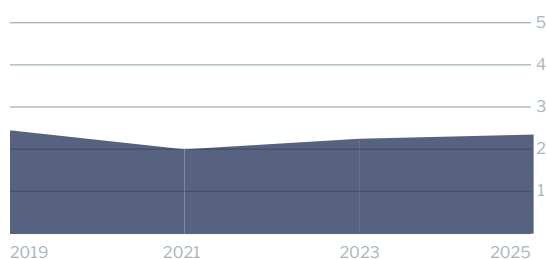


2.25 3.04 2.78 1.57

Coastal Flag Port General

IUU score trends

2023 - 2025 change ▲ 0.09



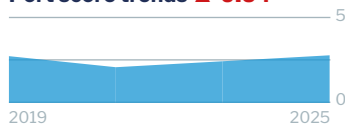
Coastal score trends — 0



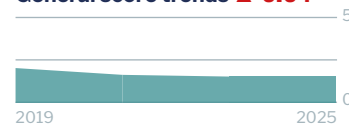
Flag score trends ▲ 0.04



Port score trends ▲ 0.34



General score trends ▲ 0.04



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

2.25

— 0

Coastal score by vulnerability

3.00

— 0

Related Indicators

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

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Coastal score by prevalence

2.60

— 0

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

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Flag score **3.04** ▲ **0.04**

Flag score by vulnerability **4.50** – 0

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 change	2021
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	4.0	4.0	– 0	4.0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0

Flag score by prevalence **2.33** – 0

Vessels on IUU lists	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on flag state compliance incidents	4.0	4.0	– 0	1.0
Views of MCS practitioners on flag state compliance incidents	2.0	2.0	– 0	1.0

Flag score by response **2.78** ▲ **0.11**

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	5.0	4.0	▲ 1.0	4.0
Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations	5.0	5.0	– 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 **2.78** ▲ **0.34**

Port score by vulnerability **4.50** – 0

Related Indicators	2025	2023	2023-2025 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 **2.00** – 0

Views of MCS practitioners on port compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on port compliance incidents	3.0	3.0	– 0	1.0

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**Port score by response** **2.50** **▲ 0.75**

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	1.0*	1.0	— 0	1.0
Compliance with RFMO port state obligations	5.0	3.0	▲ 2.0	3.0

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General score **1.57** **▲ 0.04****General score by vulnerability** **2.00** **▲ 0.33**

Related Indicators

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

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	1.0

General score by response **1.57** **▼ 0.14**

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	1.0*	1.0	— 0	1.0
Demand for MSC products	2.0	2.0	— 0	3.0
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	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0	5.0
Have a NPOA-IUU	1.0*	1.0	— 0	1.0
Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0

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