

2023 Country profile

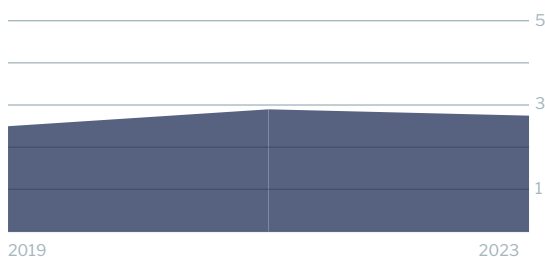
Korea (Rep. South)

World ranking
9 of 152 countries ▼ 6

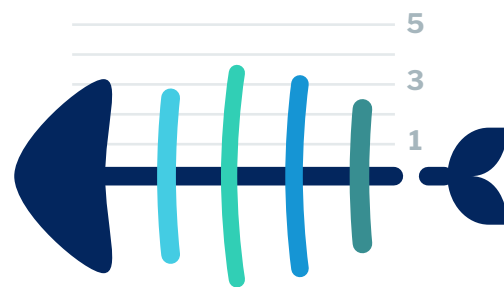
Asia
5 of 20 countries ▼ 3

Western Pacific ranking
5 of 29 countries ▼ 2

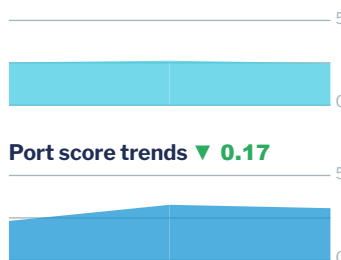
IIU score trends
2021 - 2023 change ▼ 0.15



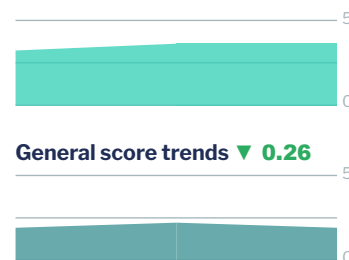
2023
IIU
Score
2.76



Coastal score trends ▼ 0.13



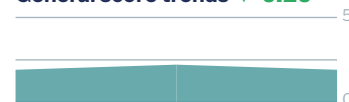
Flag score trends – 0



Port score trends ▼ 0.17



General score trends ▼ 0.26



Note: Higher scores, and ranks closer to 1, indicate worse/poor performance. Green or red arrows show change in 2023 compared to 2021.

Coastal score **2.50** ▼ 0.13

Coastal score by vulnerability **4.67** – 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
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	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ	5.0	5.0	– 0	not available

Coastal score by prevalence **1.40** ▼ 0.40

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
Has MSC-certified fisheries	2.0	3.0	▼ 1.0	5.0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0

Coastal score by response **1.00** – 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
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 3.67 – 0


Flag score by vulnerability 5.00 – 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0

Flag score by prevalence 4.33 ▲ 0.33

Vessels on IUU lists	5.0	3.0	▲ 2.0	2.0
View of fisheries observers on flag state compliance incidents	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0	4.0
Views of MCS practitioners on flag state compliance incidents	4.0	4.0	– 0	3.0

Flag score by response 2.11 ▼ 0.33

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	2.0	2.0	– 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	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0	4.0
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 has changed to “Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership” since 2021.

Port score 3.11 ▼ 0.17

Port score by vulnerability 4.50 – 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
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 3.50 ▲ 0.50

Views of MCS practitioners on port compliance incidents	4.0	4.0	– 0	3.0
View of fisheries observers on port compliance incidents	4.0	3.0	▲ 1.0	1.0



Port score by response 1.75 ▼ 0.75

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2019-2021 change	2019
Party to the PSMA	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Designated ports specified for entry by foreign vessels	1.0	5.0	▼ 4.0	not applicable
Compliance with RFMO port state obligations	3.0	1.0	▲ 2.0	1.0

General score 1.97 ▼ 0.26

General score by vulnerability 2.33 ▼ 0.34

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

General score by prevalence 2.29 ▼ 0.42

Carded' under the EU IUU Regulation	1.0	1.0	— 0	1.0
Identified' by NOAA for IUU fishing	1.0	4.0	▼ 3.0	1.0
Mentions of IUU fishing in media reports	4.0	3.0	▲ 1.0	2.0

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	4.0	4.0	— 0	4.0
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	2.0	3.0	▼ 1.0	3.0
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