

Fishery resources of major fishing areas

ATLANTIC OCEAN

North West Atlantic (FAO Fishing Area 21)

| Countries/areas | Catch (2014) | Major fishery resources | Characteristic features of fisheries |
|-------------------------|----------------|--|---|
| Canada, USA, Green Land | 1.84 MT, 2.26% | Cod, Haddock, Red fish, Silver hake, Flounders, Herring, s harks, sword fish, tuna, Molluscs & Crustaceans | heavy fishing caused collapse of several stocks. Catch decreased in 2014. |

North East Atlantic (FAO Fishing Area 27)

| Countries/areas | Catch (2014) | Major fishery resources | Characteristic features of fisheries |
|----------------------------|-----------------|---|--|
| Baltic, North Sea, Iceland | 8.65 MT, 10.61% | Herring, Cod, haddock, Blue whiting, flat fish, shrimps | Third highest caught region. heavy fishing caused collapse of several stocks |

Western Central Atlantic (FAO Fishing Area 31)

| Countries/areas | Catch (2014) | Major fishery resources | Characteristic features of fisheries |
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| Caribbean islands and Central American state | 1.19 MT 1.46% | 147 species. herring, sardine, anchovies, menhaden, tuna, bonito, billfishes, Spanish mackerel, lobster, penaeid shrimps. | groupers and spiny lobsters over exploited. Important fishing methods- hook and line and trap for snappers and groupers. |

Eastern Central Atlantic (FAO Fishing Area 34)

| Countries/areas | Catch (2014) | Major fishery resources | Characteristic features of fisheries |
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| west coast of Africa and Gibraltar strait | 4.42 MT | About 190 species. Sardine and other | . Important fishing methods- hook and line and trap for snappers and groupers. |

Mediterranean and Black Sea (FAO Fishing Area 37)

| Countries/areas | Catch (2014) | Major fishery resources | Characteristic features of fisheries |
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| Mediterranean and Black Sea | 1.11 MT 1.36% | Pilchard, anchovy, mackerel, bonito, molluscs, shrimps, hake, angler fish, whiting, conger eel | . serious declines in the landings of small pelagics |

South West Atlantic (FAO Fishing Area 41)

| Countries/areas | Catch (2014) | Major fishery resources | Characteristic features of fisheries |
|---|------------------|--|---|
| Eastern South American coast (mainly Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina) | 2.42 MT 2.97% | squids, cod, hake, red fish, basses, congers, sardine, herring, anchovies, Shrimps, lobsters and other crustaceans | . Fisheries is determined by topography and environmental conditions. i.e., tropical in the north to sub Atlantic in the south. |

