

Official Statistics: Landings of selected shared quota stocks from UK waters: 2012 – 2016

This release contains provisional estimates of landings of some commercial sea fishery quota stocks shared by the UK, non-UK EU member states and, in some cases, Norway.

It is planned that these provisional data will be followed by a more detailed release, covering a wider range of quota stocks, accompanying the UK Sea Fisheries Statistics 2017 annual publication in September 2018.

Official Statistics: Landings by non-UK EU Member States' fishing vessels from the UK's territorial waters and EEZ: 2012 – 2016

This release contains estimates of the total quantity and value of fish landed by non-UK EU member states' fishing vessels from the UK's territorial waters and Exclusive Economic Zone between 2012 and 2016.

Statistical data set: Effort statistics June 2018

Statistics on effort use in western waters are submitted to the European Commission on the 15 day of every month.

Data provided to the European Commission in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 2103/2004 (a,b)

Crabs

| Trip type | BSA(c) | ICES V-VI | ICES VII | ICES VIII |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Effort deployed (kWdays) | – | 225,136 | 147,880 | – |
| Maximum allowable effort (d) (kWdays) | 393 | 702,292 | 543,946 | – |
| Uptake (%) | 0% | 32% | 27% | n/a |

Demersal

| Trip type | BSA(c) | ICES V-VI | ICES VII | ICES VIII |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Effort deployed (kWdays) | 416,805 | 2,815,518 | 3,690,120 | 54,540 |
| Maximum allowable effort (d) (kWdays) | 3,061,485 | 24,017,229 | 25,786,266 | 218,406 |
| Uptake (%) | 14% | 12% | 14% | 25% |

Scallops

| Trip type | BSA(c) | ICES V-VI | ICES VII | ICES VIII |
|---|---------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Effort deployed (kWdays) | – | 334,724 | 1,831,103 | – |
| Maximum allowable effort (d) (f) (kWdays) | 1,223 | 1,974,425 | 3,315,619 | – |
| Uptake (%) | 0% | 17% | 55% | n/a |

Source: UK Fisheries Administrations

(a) The Western Waters comprise the nine sea areas described in Council Regulation (EC) No 1954/2003: ICES V-VI, ICES VII, ICES VIII, ICES IX, ICES X, CECAF 34.1.1, CECAF 34.1.2, CECAF 34.2.0, and the Biologically Sensitive Area (BSA), defined in Article 6.

(b) Regulated trips are those with target species listed by Council Regulation (EC) No 1954/2003, namely:

- Demersal species excluding those covered by Regulation (EEC) No 2347/2002
- Scallops
- Edible crab and spider crab

(c) Includes effort deployed on regulated trips in the Biologically Sensitive Area (BSA) by vessels over 10m in length, in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 1954/2003.

(d) The maximum allowable effort permitted in each sea area is set in Council Regulation (EC) No 1415/2004. The UK does not hold allocations of effort for areas ICES IX, ICES X, CECAF 34.1.1, CECAF 34.1.2, CECAF 34.2.0.”

e) Data provided to the European Commission in accordance with Commission Regulation EC No 2103/2004 only contains validated data on the MMO systems

f) baseline includes any transfers from other member states

Press release: BEIS Secretary of State appoints new chair to the Committee for Radioactive Waste Management

Sir Nigel has been appointed from 2 July 2018 for a term of 4 years.

The appointment has been approved by the devolved administrations.

The ministers and Secretary of State expressed their thanks to the previous Chair, Laurence Williams, and interim chair, Campbell Gemmell for their services.

Sir Nigel Thrift

Until last year, Sir Nigel was the Executive Director of Schwarzman Scholars. He is one of the world's leading human geographers and previously served as Vice-Chancellor and President of the University of Warwick and as Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research at the University of Oxford.

Information on CoRWM

CoRWM provides independent scrutiny and advice to UK government and devolved administration ministers on the long-term management of radioactive waste, including storage and disposal. The committee's primary task is to provide independent scrutiny on the UK government's and Radioactive Waste Management Ltd's (RWM's) high profile programme to deliver geological disposal, together with interim storage, for higher activity wastes.

CoRWM is an advisory non-departmental public body, sponsored by BEIS.

News story: Magnox Limited to become a Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Subsidiary

The Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) has today (2 July 2018) announced that Magnox Ltd will become a subsidiary of the NDA from 1 September 2019.

The NDA's Chief Executive, David Peattie, said:

This decision marks a new approach to managing the 12 Magnox sites but is consistent with a similar change we made at Sellafield in 2016, where the simplified approach is resulting in more efficient decommissioning progress.

The decision follows the announcement, made in March 2017, of the NDA's intention to terminate its contract with Cavendish Fluor Partnership to decommission the Magnox sites.

In line with a recent change to the way Sellafield (the NDA's largest and most complex site) is managed, expertise from the private sector will be engaged through multiple smaller contracts, rather than through a single large Parent Body Organisation (PBO).

Mr Peattie added:

Cavendish Fluor Partnership will continue to manage Magnox Ltd until September 2019 and I would like to thank them for their continued commitment in delivering the Magnox decommissioning programme. We will continue to work together to ensure a smooth transition to the new arrangements.

Magnox Ltd is responsible for operations at the sites of 10 former Magnox nuclear power stations, 2 nuclear research sites and 1 hydroelectric plant in the UK.

The new arrangements were approved by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.