

## 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
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
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
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.

