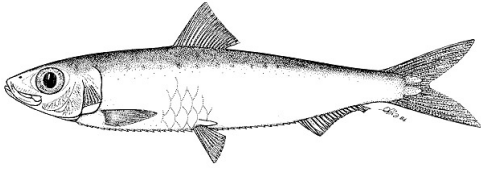


European pilchard Northern Adriatic Sea

Fishery:  Northern Adriatic Sea  GFCM  Italy  Midwater trawls

IDENTIFICATION



SCIENTIFIC NAME

Sardina pilchardus

SPECIES NAME(S)

European pilchard, Sardine, European sardine

STOCK IDENTIFICATION

Several studies have been conducted to understand European pilchard stock structure widely distributed in the Northeast and Eastern Central Atlantic, and the Mediterranean and Black Sea (e.g. Spanakis et al., 1989; Tinti et al., 2002; Kasapidis et al., 2004; Atarhouch et al., 2006; Chlaida et al., 2006; Silva et al., 2006; Laurent et al., 2007; Chlaida et al., 2009; Antonakakis et al., 2011). However further research is needed considering uncertainties (Kasapidis et al., 2012; ICES, 2014b). Thus here we consider the following assessment units along the European pilchard distribution:

By the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES):

- [Iberian](#) (ICES Divisions VIIIc and IXa) and 2) and [Bay of Biscay, Southern Celtic Seas and English Channel](#) (ICES Divisions VIIIa,b,d and Subarea VII)

By the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM; FAO) of the 8 stock assessment units assumed (FAO, 2009; Kasapidis et al., 2012; GFCM, 2014) these 2 are already covered in profiles:

- [Northern Adriatic Sea](#) (GSA 17) and [Northern Alboran Sea](#) (GSA 01)

By the Fishery Committee for the Eastern Central Atlantic (FAO, 2013a,b):

- [NW Africa central](#) (zones A+B; 32°N – 26°N) and [NW Africa southern](#) (zone C; 26°N – the southern extent of the species distribution).



RELATED LINKS:

- [General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean \(GFCM\)](#)
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ASSESSMENT

No related analysis

SCORES

Management Quality:

| Management Strategy | Managers Compliance | Fishers Compliance |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| NOT YET SCORED | NOT YET SCORED | NOT YET SCORED |

Stock Health:

| Current Health | Future Health |
|----------------|----------------|
| NOT YET SCORED | NOT YET SCORED |

FIPS

No related FIPs

MSC

No related MSC fisheries

RECOMMENDATIONS

RETAILERS & SUPPLY CHAIN

- This profile is not currently high on our priority list for development, and we can't at this time provide an accurate prediction of when it will be developed. To speed up an evaluation of the sustainability status of lower priority fisheries we have initiated a program whereby industry can directly contract SFP-approved analysts to develop a FishSource profile on a fishery. More information on this External Contributor Program is available at <https://www.sustainablefish.org/Programs/Science/External-Contributor-Program>.