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## Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority Publish Key Statistics 2024

The Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority (SFPA) has published annual statistics relating to landings in Irish ports and by Irish vessels, both home and abroad on its website. Published data includes reports on landings; species; Irish vessels landing into all ports; non-Irish vessels landing into Irish ports and a key species list. In terms of volumes, there were 45,511 vessel landings in Ireland totalling 264,582 tonnes. Irish vessels accounted for over 95% of landings with 2,053 landings from non-Irish vessels into Irish Ports in 2024. This data is derived from Landing Declarations and Sales Notes provided by the sector for all vessels landing into Ireland, plus Irish vessels landing outside Ireland.

An SFPA spokesperson said:

"Collecting and reporting data in relation to sea-fisheries, as required under community law, is an important part of the SFPA's mandate. The SFPA uses the available data to monitor trends in sea-fishing vessel landings, locations and species being caught and to support our role as a sea-fisheries control authority. This information is also beneficial to key stakeholders as well as supporting our service delivery and workforce management."

Annual and quarterly statistics, including landings and inspections, are published to the SFPA website. The statistics pages on the SFPA website provides fishers and members of the public with a "one stop shop" to access a range of useful data on fishing activity, including <u>Quota Uptake</u> which is available on a weekly basis.

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## Note to Editor

The 2024 annual statistics can be accessed on sfpa.ie or by clicking the following link:

**2024 Statistics** 

## **Further Information**

## **About the SFPA**

The Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority (SFPA) is the independent statutory body responsible for the regulation of the sea-fisheries and the sea-food production sectors. It promotes compliance with the EU Common Fisheries Policy, sea-fisheries law and food safety law relating to fish and fish products, verifies compliance and, where necessary, enforces it. Its mandate covers all fishing vessels operating within Ireland's 200-mile limit, over 2,000 Irish registered fishing vessels wherever they operate, and all seafood produced in Ireland's seafood processing companies. The SFPA operates through a network of regional port offices situated at Ireland's main fishery harbours. For further information visit: <a href="https://www.sfpa.ie">www.sfpa.ie</a>