



2023 Country profile

# Mexico

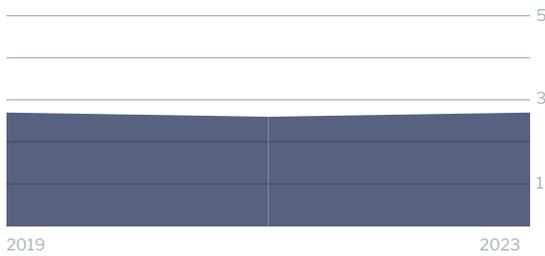
World ranking  
11 of 152 countries ▲ 4

Caribbean & Central America  
1 of 21 countries

West Atlantic ranking  
1 of 29 countries ▲ 1

Eastern Pacific ranking  
1 of 13 countries

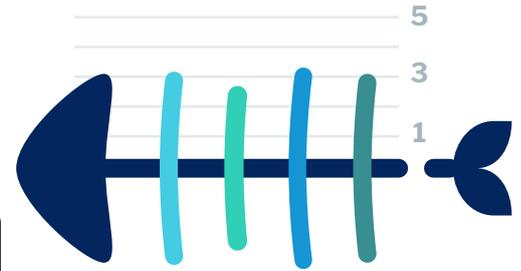
IUU score trends  
2021 - 2023 change ▲ 0.09



Note: Higher scores, and ranks closer to 1, indicate worse/poor performance. Green or red arrows show change in 2023 compared to 2021.

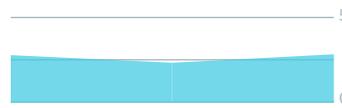
2023 IUU Score

2.70

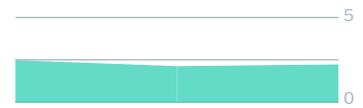


2.86 Coastal  
2.25 Flag  
3.06 Port  
2.78 General

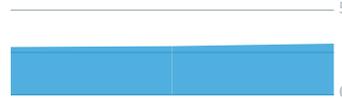
Coastal score trends ▲ 0.50



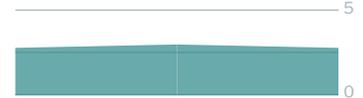
Flag score trends ▲ 0.12



Port score trends ▲ 0.17



General score trends ▼ 0.22



Coastal score **2.86** ▲ 0.50

Coastal score by vulnerability **4.25** - 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
Size of EEZ	5.0	5.0	- 0	5.0
Agreement over all maritime boundaries	5.0*	5.0	- 0	5.0
Dependency on fish for protein	2.0	2.0	- 0	2.0
Authorise foreign vessels to operate in EEZ	not available	not available		not available

\* indicates that scores from the 2021 version of the Index have been used due to 2023 data not being available

Coastal score by prevalence **2.00** ▲ 0.60

Has MSC-certified fisheries	2.0	2.0	- 0	2.0
Views of MCS practitioners on coastal compliance incidents	2.0	1.0	▲ 1.0	3.0

Coastal score by response **2.60** ▲ 0.80

Coastal State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	5.0	3.0	▲ 2.0	3.0
Operate a national VMS/FMC centre	1.0*	1.0	- 0	1.0

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**Flag score** 2.25 ▲ 0.12

**Flag score by vulnerability** 3.50 ▲ 0.50

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
Distant water vessels on RFMO RAVs	4.0	4.0	– 0	4.0
Distant water vessels under several RFMOs	3.0	2.0	▲ 1.0	2.0

**Flag score by prevalence** 1.33 – 0

Vessels on IUU lists	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on flag state compliance incidents	2.0	1.0	▲ 1.0	1.0
Views of MCS practitioners on flag state compliance incidents	1.0	2.0	▼ 1.0	2.0

**Flag score by response** 2.33 – 0

Accepted FAO Compliance Agreement	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership 	3.0	2.0	▲ 1.0	5.0
Provision of vessel data for inclusion in Global Record	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Compliance with RFMO flag state obligations	1.0	2.0	▼ 1.0	4.0
Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	2.0	1.0	▲ 1.0	1.0

 Indicator “Authorised vessel data provided to FAO HSVAR” used in 2019 has changed to “Registered vessels with foreign or unknown ownership” since 2021.

**Port score** 3.06 ▲ 0.17

**Port score by vulnerability** 4.50 – 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2021-2023 change	2019
Number of fishing ports	4.0	4.0	– 0	4.0
Port visits by foreign fishing or carrier vessels	5.0*	5.0	– 0	5.0

**Port score by prevalence** 1.00 ▲ 0.50

Views of MCS practitioners on port compliance incidents	2.0	1.0	▲ 1.0	1.0
View of fisheries observers on port compliance incidents	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0

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**Port score by response** 3.50 – 0

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2019-2021 change	2019
Party to the PSMA	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Designated ports specified for entry by foreign vessels	5.0	5.0	– 0	not applicable
Compliance with RFMO port state obligations	1.0	1.0	– 0	3.0

**General score** 2.78 ▼ 0.22

**General score by vulnerability** 2.78 ▼ 0.33

Related Indicators	2023	2021	2019-2021 change	2019
Trade balance for fisheries products	2.0	2.0	– 0	2.0
Share of global imports	1.0	2.0	▼ 1.0	1.0
Perception of levels of corruption	4.0	4.0	– 0	4.0
Gross national income per capita	2.0	3.0	▼ 1.0	3.0
Volume of catches	3.0	3.0	– 0	3.0

**General score by prevalence** 3.86 ▲ 0.72

Carded' under the EU IUU Regulation	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Identified' by NOAA for IUU fishing	5.0	4.0	▲ 1.0	5.0
Mentions of IUU fishing in media reports	5.0	4.0	▲ 1.0	3.0

**General score by response** 2.09 ▼ 0.73

Mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	1.0 <sup>*</sup>	1.0	– 0	1.0
Demand for MSC products	4.0	5.0	▼ 1.0	4.0
Ratification/accession of UNCLOS Convention	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0
Ratification/accession of UNFSA	5.0	5.0	– 0	5.0
Mentions in media reports to combatting IUU fishing	2.0	5.0	▼ 3.0	4.0
Have a NPOA-IUU	not available <sup>*</sup>	not available		not available
Market State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to relevant RFMOs	1.0	1.0	– 0	1.0

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