

## IMPORTANT NOTES FOR THIS YEAR'S FLEET ECONOMIC DATA CALL

<p><b>EU-MAP</b></p>	<p>The 2024 call requests economic data for 2022. Capacity data are requested for 2023 as well as some provisional data (see <a href="#">Requirements</a>).</p> <p>More information on variables, definitions and recommended methodologies/data sources can be found in: <a href="#">RCG</a>, and <a href="#">Guidance Document</a></p>
<p><b>HISTORICAL DATA</b></p>	<p>Previous years data (2008-2021) may be revised and re-submitted in this year's call. <b>Only EU-MAP data requirements and templates can be used for this.</b></p> <p>If all previous years (2008-2021) have already been completely and correctly submitted, these data will be re-used by the JRC to produce time-series analyses for the 2023 AER.</p>
<p><b>UNIT WEIGHT OF LANDINGS</b></p>	<p>EU-MAP calls for the variable <i>Live weight of landings per species</i> to be provided in <b>tonnes</b>.</p> <p>Yet, for time-series consistency, we recommend that data <b>continue to be provided in kg</b>, in line with the DCF.</p> <p>Both unit options are possible in the data template so please take care to indicate the correct unit (kg or tonne)!</p>
<p><b>UPLOAD TOOL AND DV-TOOL</b></p>	<p>There "Data Upload" (DU) tool accepts <b>only .xlsx files</b> – Excel format. <b>No macros and no calculation fields are allowed.</b></p> <p>The online "Data Validation" (DV) tool can be used to check data files before uploading. We recommend that you use this tool to help detect errors and avoid problems while uploading.</p> <p>For more information on how to check and upload data, please consult the facility's '<a href="#">quick guide</a>'</p>
<p><b>TEMPLATES</b></p>	<p>The Excel templates for the data call are available on the web site: <a href="https://dcf.ec.europa.eu/data-calls/aer">https://dcf.ec.europa.eu/data-calls/aer</a></p> <p>Information on acronyms (=variable codes), units, data types for each template are also provided.</p> <p>One additional column has been added this year for the new fleet segment dimensions: ACTIVITY. This information is not compulsory and may be left blank (more details below).</p>
<p><b>AGAIN REQUESTED</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recreational catches for the years 2018-2022</li> </ul>
<p><b>REQUESTED - NOT COMPULSORY</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employment in full-time equivalent (<b>FTE</b> national) – for continued time-series analyses</li> <li>• GT days-at-sea and kW days-at-sea – for more precise regional analyses</li> <li>• Maximum days-at-sea – for the balance Vessel-use indicator</li> </ul>
<p><b>GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATOR</b></p>	<p>All templates include the possibility of adding the geographical indicator to identify, amongst others, fleet segments operating in Outermost Regions (OMR) and fleet segments operating predominately or exclusively in non-EU waters. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a></p>
<p><b>FLEET SEGMENT DIMENSIONS: GEAR / FISHERY / ACTIVITY</b></p>	<p>These three fleet segment dimensions can be used in a similar way as the Geographical Indicator to further disaggregate and/or identify specific parts of a fleet segment if needed.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>GEAR</b> can be used to differentiate specific gears within the broader HOK fishing technique segment, such as Surface (drifting) long-liners (LLD) and</li> <li>• <b>FISHERY</b> can be used to identify vessels of a fleet segment operating in a specific RFMO (e.g., ICCAT or IOTC), vessels operating under SFPAs, etc...</li> <li>• <b>ACTIVITY</b> can be used to identify low activity (L) and normal activity (A) sub-segments.</li> </ul> <p>For more information read: <a href="#">GEAR / FISHERY / ACTIVITY</a> and also: <a href="#">GEAR&amp;FISHERY and ACTIVITY</a> (see also below)</p> <p>Gear and Fishery may be updated as needed upon request. Please contact the <a href="#">JRC data submission team</a> if be the case.</p>
<p><b>ACTIVITY</b></p>	<p>All templates now include the option to incorporate the activity level for the purpose of breaking down fleet segments according to their activity levels. This entails differentiating between less active vessels and those with normal (and high) activity within a fleet segment, provided that data collection allows for the estimation of economic data based on activity.</p>

	<p>It is crucial that the aggregated data from low activity (L) and normal activity (A) sub-segments matches the total for the corresponding fleet segment. This ensures the consistency of economic, landings, and effort values not only for the reference year but also for the time series data of that fleet segment.</p> <p>It's important to emphasize that the disaggregation of fleet segments based on their activity level is entirely optional. It is recommended to opt for this disaggregation only when there is a noticeable difference in economic performance between the two sub-segments and the data collection permits the estimation of economic data at that level. Additional guidance on applying the activity level can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
<b>GEOGRAPHICAL STRATIFICATION BY REGION</b>	<p>Recall that the geographical stratification in the EU-MAP has been redefined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CECAF areas around Madera and the Canary Islands are now included in the Supra region NAO (previously termed Area 27). Under the DCF, these areas were included in OFR.</li> </ul>
<b>CAPACITY file</b>	<p>The map_capacity file must be submitted first. Whenever a new "capacity" file is uploaded, all other templates with <u>fleet segment data</u> must be resubmitted as well.</p>
<b>CLUSTERS</b>	<p>Fleet segments that are clustered to report sensitive economic data must be identified in the CAPACITY template by a CLUSTER_NAME under the corresponding column, for each year.</p> <p>We suggest following the STECF recommendation in naming clusters after the main fleet segment while also adding the Supra Region, for example: NAOHOKVL1824 (SUPRA_REGION + FISHING_TECHNOLOGY + VESSEL_LENGTH). The Geo-indicator, if applicable, should also be added NAOHOKVL40XXIWE</p> <p>CLUSTER consistency should be maintained over the time series as far as possible, i.e., it is more important to keep cluster consistency than to follow the 10-vessel recommendation.</p>
<b>FAO SPECIES CODES</b>	<p>An updated FAO species list can be found <a href="#">here</a></p> <p>The 3-alpha codes that have recently changed are: OTF is now BWM and IOZ has been split into IOZ (<i>Sepiola parva</i>) and IOX (<i>Sepiola spp</i>). You can get an updated version</p> <p>The code "OTHER" and "UNKNOWN" have changed to "OTH" to align with the other data calls.</p>
<b>GFCM-GSA</b>	<p>Effort (FAO) and Landings data are requested by <a href="#">GFCM-GSA</a> level for the Mediterranean &amp; Black seas.</p>
<b>MISSING DATA/NOT AVAILABLE</b>	<p>If a value is missing, leave cell blank and provide ["NA" + reason] in the Comments column. If a comment is not applicable then simply do not provide the entire row, i.e., no blank values.</p> <p>A zero value "0" must be used exclusively for values that are in fact zero (e.g. income from fishing rights = 0).</p>
<b>HELP</b>	<p>Please contact <a href="mailto:jrc-datasubmission@ec.europa.eu">jrc-datasubmission@ec.europa.eu</a> if you have any queries on any of the above or any other aspects of the data call and uploading procedures.</p>