

## Ireland Area 6 and 7 Atlantic pollock - bottom trawl & gillnet

### Overview

#### FIP Description

On average, approximately 340 tonnes of saithe were landed annually in mixed demersal fisheries by Irish vessels between 2020 and 2022, 29% of which were caught in the South of Ireland within ICES Area 7.g and 27% caught in 7.j. In 2022, 368 tonnes of saithe were landed which were worth approximately €570,000 for Irish vessels.

Catches of saithe by Irish vessels are mainly taken by bottom otter trawl (mainly in Subarea 6) and set gillnets (mainly in subarea 7) in the following fisheries:

Gillnet fisheries:

- Mixed whitefish gillnet fishery alongside ling and pollack
- Bycatch in hake gillnet fishery

Bottom otter trawl fisheries:

- Small bycatch in fishery targeting anglerfish, megrims, and hake.
- Small bycatch in fishery targeting whiting
- Small bycatch in fishery targeting Nephrops
- During trawling trips for other species a few days may be spent targeting saithe – this is a clean fishery directed at homogeneous shoals of saithe.

### How is this FIP Doing?

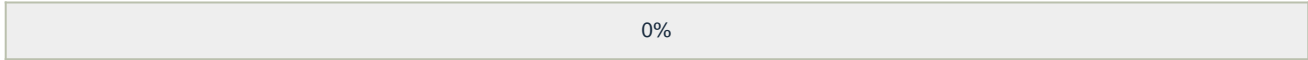
**Current Status:**



**% of Indicators Tracked** Basic FIPs may focus their workplans on a subset of the indicators. This shows the proportion of total indicators the FIP is working on.



**Actions Progress** This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.



**Actions Overview** This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	100%	0%	0%

**FIP Progress Rating**



**FIP Objective(s)**

- To improve observer programs and enhance data collection by 2027? and to monitor observer coverage rates and industry data provision levels.?
- To collect information on primary, secondary, and ETP species in the fishery by 2027?and to ensure that this data informs management decisions in the fishery.??
- To increase compliance with the Landing Obligation by raising awareness & understanding of this management measure by 2027.

**FIP Type**

Basic

**FIP Stage**

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

**Start and Projected End Dates**

November, 2020 -

December, 2027

## Species

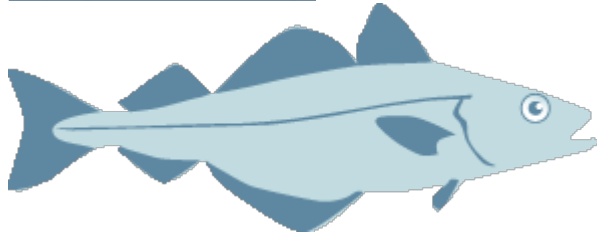
### Common Name

Atlantic Pollock

### Scientific Name

Pollachius virens

### [Buying Guide Link Image](#)



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## Gear Type

[Bottom Gillnet](#)

[Bottom Trawl](#)

## Location

### FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 27 \(Atlantic, Northeast\)](#)

### Exclusive Economic Zones

#### Country

Ireland

#### Geographic Scope

Entire country

## Estimated Total FIP Landings

255 metric tons

## FIP Leads

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Other

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