New Zealand’s Exclusive Economic Zone and territorial sea equals 4.4 million km². This is the fourth largest EEZ in the world and makes us an ocean territory Super power

The sustainability of our key fisheries has been audited against the world’s highest standards under the Marine Stewardship Council’s programme. The fisheries for hake, hoki, ling, southern blue whiting and New Zealand’s three largest orange roughy fisheries are all certified as sustainable. Together, the catches for these species represent around 75% of the deepwater catch and half of New Zealand’s seafood production.

New Zealand became one of only two countries to achieve a top ranking in a review of fisheries management systems around the world (2009) and in a second study was ranked first among the 53 major fishing nations for managing marine resources.

New Zealand uses just 35% of its available fishing waters to support its industry.

Greenshell™ mussels (the mainstay of aquaculture) are a unique species native to New Zealand.

97% of New Zealand fisheries landings are at, or above sustainable levels.

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