

Assessing the significance of the economic impact of marine planning proposals: MCZs in the Irish Sea upon the fisheries sector in Northern Ireland.

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- Economic Impact Assessment (change in landings, assumptions, multipliers, GVA and jobs)
- Interviews with prawn processors (adaptation, future plans, business resilience)



Landings of prawns

- **2.5%** of value of landings lost (Northern Ireland vessels)
- **70%** increase in total landings (volume and value) by Northern Ireland vessels into the UK between 2008 and 2012



Jobs in fishing

- **7%** of all Northern Ireland fishermen could lose some or all of their income from fishing
- **1%** of residents in jobs, and **4%** of jobs in the fishing ports affected



Jobs and revenue in prawn processing

- **5%** of the processors (seawater shellfish) total revenue is likely to be affected (if no substitution)
- **23 jobs** lost in processing offset by planned job creation in the sector in 2016



Gross Value Added (GVA)

- a decrease of **£1.05-1.12m/year** (GVA) into Northern Ireland economy
- **1.1%** of the contribution of fishing and fish processing to the Northern Ireland economy

