



## NORWAY LOBSTER (*NEPHROPS NORVEGICUS*)



Source : [Information system on commercial designations](#)

### BIOLOGY AND HABITAT

- **Species description** ([Read more](#))

Norway lobster, also known as Dublin Bay prawn, scampi or langoustine, is the only species in the genus *Nephrops*.

- **Geographical distribution and habitat** ([Read more](#))

Norway lobster lives in the North-Eastern Atlantic ocean, and parts of the Mediterranean Sea.

### RESOURCE, EXPLOITATION AND MANAGEMENT

- **Stocks and resource status/conservation measures** ([Read more](#))

Minimum conservation size is established by the carapace length (from 20 to 32 mm) and by the total length (from 37 mm to 105 mm), depending on the fishing area.

- **Production methods and fishing gears** ([Read more](#))

The main fishing gears used are pots and traps.

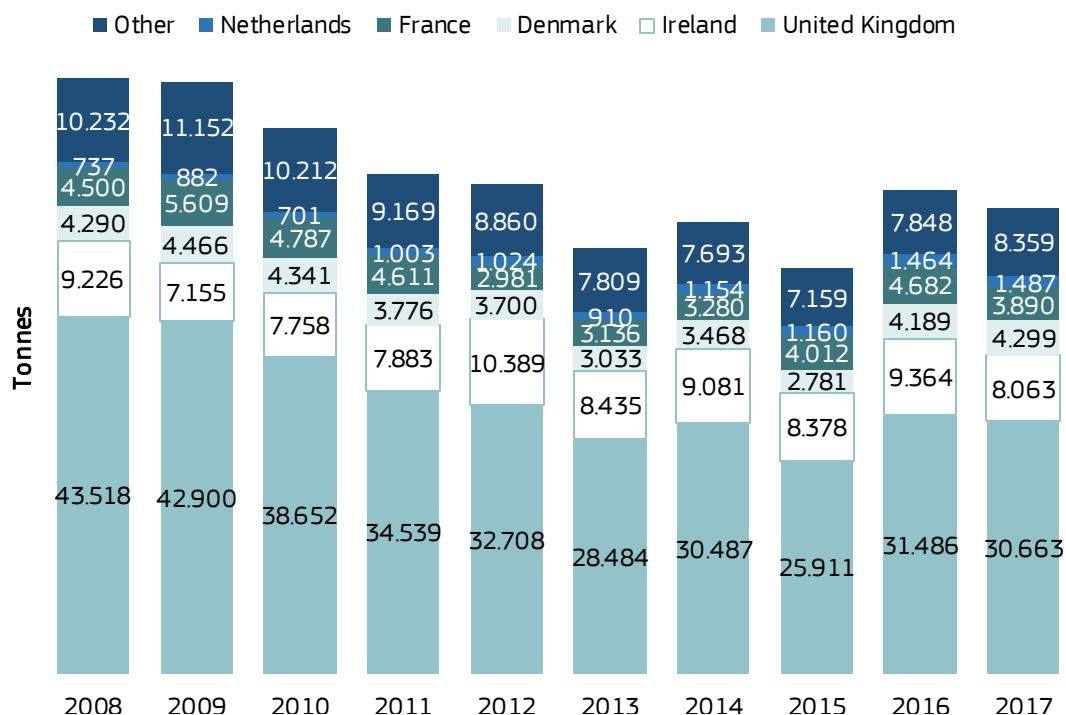
The species is exclusively wild-caught, as juvenile mortality rate is very high in aquaculture.



## CATCHES

- The share of Norway lobster in the global catches is **0,06%** (FAO, 2017).
- Over the last ten years (2008-2017), catches have decreased at both global and EU levels (both by 22%).

### Evolution of world catches

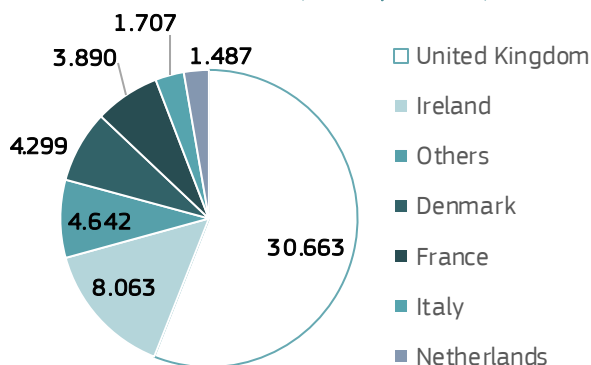


Source: FAO

### Evolution of EU catches

- In 2017, the EU provided **96%** of the global Norway lobster catches.
- The United Kingdom remains the main EU producer (54% of EU catches in 2017), even though the volume of catches has fallen by -30% during the last decade (2008-2017).

### Catches (2017, tonnes)



Source: FAO

## Norway lobster



## TRADE

- Combined nomenclature [\(Read more\)](#)

## EU trade of Norway lobster products (2018 - tonnes)

CN code	Product	EU imports		EU exports	
		Intra-EU	Extra-EU	Intra-EU	Extra-EU
03061500	Frozen Norway lobster, even smoked or cooked, in shell or not	18.141	1.536	18.098	1.648
03063400	Live, fresh or chilled Norway Lobster, in shell or not	6.241	118	8.412	10
03069400	Norway Lobster, in shell or not, dried, salted, smoked or in brine	1.050	0	46	9

- **Main extra-EU destinations are:**
  - for frozen Norway lobster: Vietnam (598 tonnes), China (571 tonnes) and Iceland (86 tonnes).
- **Main extra-EU suppliers are:**
  - for frozen Norway lobster: Vietnam (500 tonnes), Iceland (391 tonnes), and China (252 tonnes).

*Source: EUROSTAT-COMEXT*



## PRICES ALONG THE SUPPLY CHAIN (EUR/kg)

### First-sale (Live/Fresh)

First-sale prices are provided for the United Kingdom, Ireland, Denmark and France, which are the major producers in the EU.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Source
United Kingdom (fresh)	2,89	3,7	4,13	3,43	3,95	4,25	3,93	3,58	3,89	EUMOFA
Ireland (fresh)	4,67	5,77	5,88	5,86	6,93	7,48	7,24	n.a.	n.a.	EUMOFA
Denmark (fresh)	7,8	10,12	8,06	8,69	8,47	9,47	9,13	8,11	7,25	EUMOFA
France (live)	9,2	9,97	11,06	11,1	11,27	10,95	10,75	11,21	12,88	EUMOFA

### Wholesale

Wholesale prices are provided for two wholesale markets located in France and Spain.

Average (FR) / Most frequent price (ES)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Source
Spain	17,4	19,55	14,19	18,81	31,88	41,47	44,3	24,71	Mercamadrid
France	18,50	19,65	18,06	18,75	22,00	20,88	20,31	14,69	Rungis (RNM)

### Retail/consumption

Prices refer to fresh products in France.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Source
France	14,2	14,3	15,5	16,1	16,5	16	15,9	15,5	16,5	FranceAgriMer

### Import (frozen)

Import prices are provided for Italy and Spain, which are the main Norway lobster importers in the EU.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Source
Italy	7,63	9,28	9,16	8,81	8,14	9,48	10,64	10,53	10,53	EUMOFA
Spain	7,35	8,43	8,7	8,54	8,74	9,73	10,38	11,33	10,73	EUMOFA

### Export (frozen)

Export prices refer to the United Kingdom and Ireland, the main exporters in the EU.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Source
UK	5,88	7,38	7,86	7,49	8,39	8,93	9,50	9,31	8,65	EUMOFA
Ireland	6,17	7,56	7,91	8,42	8,45	8,92	10,06	9,93	10,84	EUMOFA



## MARKETING ASPECTS

- Commercial designations in all EU official languages ([Read more](#))
- Common marketing standards ([Read more](#))

## CONSUMPTION

- Apparent consumption of Norway lobster, per capita in 2017: **0,11 kg** live weight equivalent (source: [EUMOFA supply balance](#)).
- Nutritional value (Norway lobster, North-East Atlantic, cooked, values per 100 g – source : NUTRAQUA/AQUIMER)

Nutritional value	Norway lobster
kilo calories (kcal)	91
Kilojoule (kJ)	386
Water (g)	76,3
Ashes (g)	1,8
Proteins (g)	20,9
Carbohydrates (g)	0,3
Lipids (g)	0,7
Cholesterol (mv)	149,1
Omega 6 (mg)	32
Omega 3 (mg)	166
EPA (mg)	76
DHA (mg)	75