

Size of the District

4,522 km² of sea

1,314 km² of coastline

9,141 km² of land

The largest IFCA district, with the added complication of two coasts.

In addition, D&S IFCA has cross-boundary co-operation and joint management responsibilities with 2 adjacent IFCAs (Cornwall and Southern), Welsh Government and the MMO. Lundy Island is 12 miles off the coast and was the first MCZ in the country and has a No Take Zone.

Costs

The annual budget divided by area of sea is £163.64 per km² for 2020/2021.

One FTE (enforcement officers only) for every 1130.5 km² of coastal waters to protect and manage.

Fishing Activity within the District

On 12th February 2020 the number of D&S IFCA permits issued were 1059 under its permitting byelaw scheme. Each permit lasts for a period of 24 months

Towed Gear Permits	141 Commercial (at sea)	12 Commercial (estuary)
Potting Permits	181 Commercial	310 Recreational
Diving Permits	25 Commercial	188 Recreational
Netting Permits	152 Commercial	50 Recreational

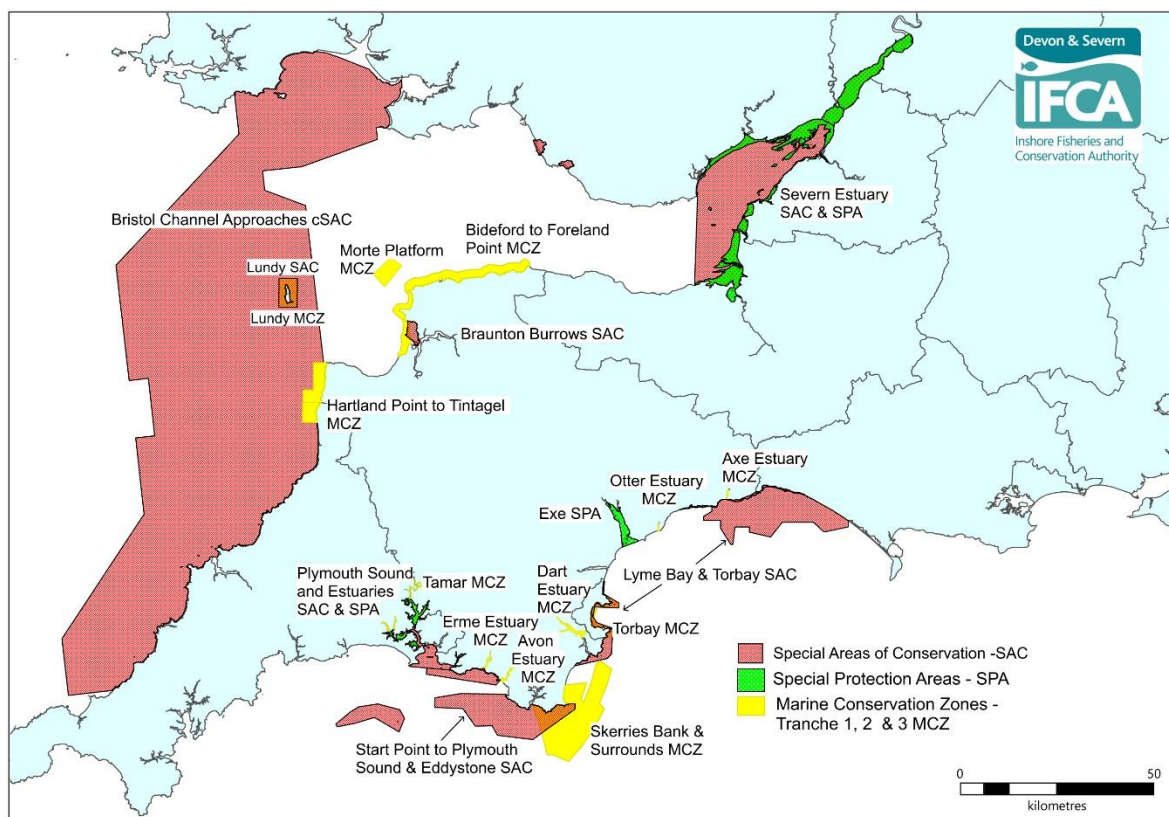
There are 24 ports and harbours ranging in size from the River Parrott to Brixham and Plymouth Harbours, two of the largest fishing ports in England, in terms of landings and value of landings.

Enforcement Activity

In the period from April 2019 and March 2020 53 cases of suspected illegal activity were investigated by IFCA Enforcement Officers. These were the outcomes:

- No further action was taken on 13 of the cases
- 13 on-going cases.
- 14 Official written warnings were issued.
- 9 Financial Administrative Penalties were issued and accepted.
- 2 completed court cases were successfully prosecuted.
- 2 pending court cases.

Marine Protected Areas



- Ten European Marine Sites including the Bristol Channel Approaches cSAC for Harbour Porpoises are located in the D&S IFCA District.
- Four Tranche 1 Marine Conservation Zones (MCZs).
- Two Tranche 2 MCZs.
- Six Tranche 3
- 1,914 km² of MPAs (excluding co-location of EMS & MCZ) lie within the D&S IFCA District.
- 42.33% of D&S IFCA District lies within an MPA.
- 58 management measures under D&S IFCA Permitting Byelaws have been introduced which restrict activities in MPAs.

Comparison of District and Budgets across the Ten IFCAs for 2019/2020

IFCA District	Marine Area km ²	coastline km	2019/2020	Cost per KM ²	Cost per km
			Budget £		
NIFCA	1300	110	£864,420	£664.94	£7858.36
SusIFCA	1728	140	£882,000	£510.42	£6,300
NWIFCA	3353	1280	£1,363,656	£406.70	£1065.36
NEIFCA	2884	479	£1,224,320	£424.52	£2,555.99
EIFCA	3765	1682.7	£1,460,492	£367.91	£867.95
SIFCA	2884	479	£978,750	£339.37	£2,043.32
IOSIFCA	406	226	£126,723	£312.13	£565.15
K&EIFCA	3412	800	£889,600	£260.73	£1,112.00
CIFCA	4800	1100	£1,144,700	£238.48	£1,040.64
D&S IFCA	4522	1314	£715,000	£158.12	£544.14