

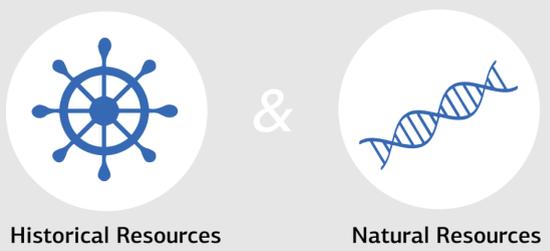
What are Marine Protected Areas?

The Marine Protected Areas indicator measures the percentage of a country's exclusive economic zone (EEZ) that is under protection. A marine protected area is essentially a space in the ocean where human activities are more strictly regulated than the surrounding waters - similar to parks we have on land, for the protection of historical and natural resources.

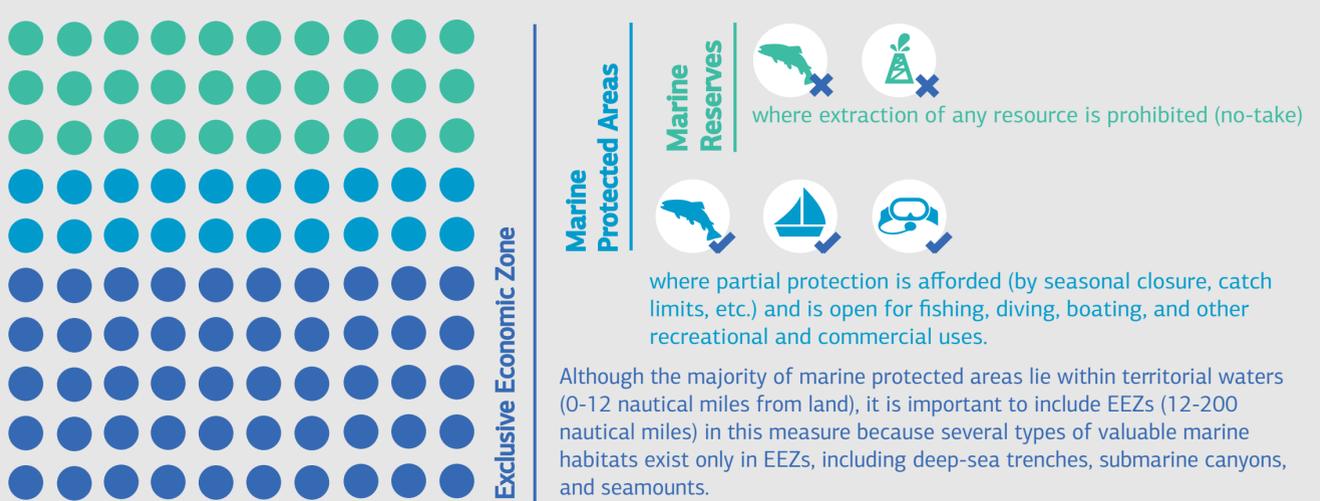
Certain human activities are strictly regulated



For the sake of protecting



Marine Reserves, Marine Protected Areas & Exclusive Economic Zone



Managing MPAs through Prohibitions and Limitations

2 Categories



Yes/No?

Absolute prohibition of access to a prescribed area is the simplest form of regulation.



Prohibition of certain activities within a prescribed area is another prohibitive technique.



Marine protected areas around the world often allow some level of human activity, especially if it involves recreation, nature appreciation, education, or research.

Limitation includes



Zonal Management

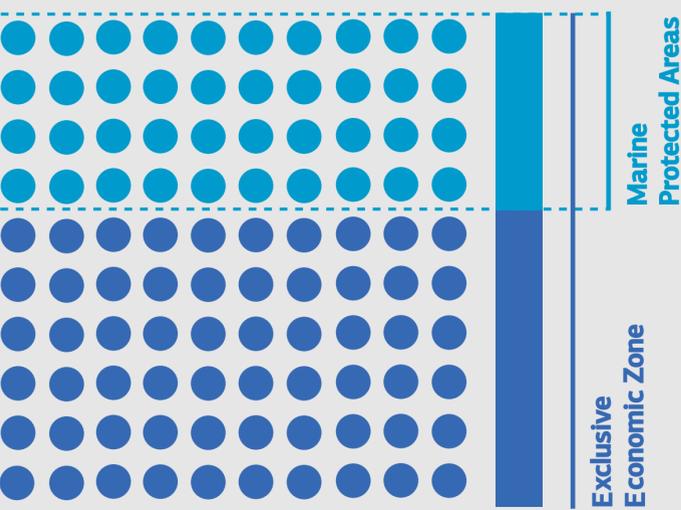
Temporal Control

Equipment Restriction

Permits

Quotas

How do we know?



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Targets Set by Convention for Biological Diversity

10%

The EPI's measurement of Marine Protected Areas stems from targets set by Convention for Biological Diversity, which establishes a conservation goal of 10 percent of marine and coastal areas by 2020.

How is the world doing?

