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Council agreement on 2026 catch limits in the Baltic Sea

			COMMISSION proposal		COUNCIL agreement	
Name <i>Latin name</i>	ICES FISHING ZONES	TACs 2025	TACs 2026	variation	TACs 2026	variation
		in tonnes	in tonnes	in %	in tonnes	in %
Bothnian herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 30-31	66 446	25560	-62%	39 108	- 40%
Western herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-24	788 (by-catch only)	394 (by-catch only)	-50%	788 (by-catch only)	0%
Central herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 25-27, 28.2, 29, 32	83 881	83 881	0%	96 463	15%
Riga herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivision 28.1	41 635	34 367	-17%	34 367	-17%
Eastern cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 25-32	430 (by-catch only)	159 (by-catch only)	-63%	430 (by-catch only)	0%
Western cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-24	266 (by-catch only)	42 (by-catch only)	-84%	266 (by catch-only)	0%
Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-32	11 313	10 973	-3%	10 973	-3%
Main basin salmon <i>Salmo salar</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-31	34 787 specimens (by-catch only)	25 537	-27%	25 537 specimens	-27%
Gulf of Finland salmon <i>Salmo salar</i>	Baltic Sea subdivision 32	10 144 specimens	10 232	1%	10 232 specimens	1%
Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-32	139 500	139500	0%	201 975	45%

Legend:

<u>Latin name</u>	<u>English name</u>	<u>Nom français</u>	<u>Deutsche name</u>
<i>Clupea harengus</i>	<i>herring</i>	<i>hareng</i>	<i>Hering</i>
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	<i>cod</i>	<i>morue</i>	<i>Dorsch</i>
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	<i>plaice</i>	<i>plie</i>	<i>Scholle</i>
<i>Salmo salar</i>	<i>Atlantic salmon</i>	<i>saumon atlantique</i>	<i>Lachs</i>
<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	<i>sprat</i>	<i>sprat</i>	<i>Sprotte</i>
