



# Shetland Fishing Facts

## *In 2012:*

- ◆ There were **177 active commercial fishing vessels** in Shetland, virtually all owned by local shareholder crewmen.
- ◆ More than **430 people** were directly employed in fish catching. Hundreds more jobs depended on fishing, in fish processing, marketing, transport, supply and engineering, for example.
- ◆ Shetland vessels landed **£76 million** worth of fish, in Shetland and elsewhere.
- ◆ **£59 million** worth of fish were landed in Shetland, by local and visiting fishing vessels.
- ◆ **One fifth** of all fish landed in Scotland was landed in Shetland (20%).
- ◆ **One sixth** of all fish landed in the UK was landed in Shetland (14%).
- ◆ Shetland vessels accounted for more than **one sixth** of all fish landed by Scottish vessels (18%), and more than **one tenth** of all landings by UK vessels (11%).
- ◆ **More fish was landed in Shetland than in any other port in the UK**, except Peterhead. Landings in Shetland were more almost double those in the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked port (Fraserburgh).
- ◆ **More finfish were landed in Shetland than in all of England and Wales.**
- ◆ For landings of whitefish, Lerwick was the 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked port in the UK, Scalloway was 8<sup>th</sup> and Cullivoe 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ Landings in Shetland accounted for 1.4% of all fish landed in Europe (in 2011).

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# Shetland Fishing Facts

## *In 2013:*

- ◆ There were **173 active commercial fishing vessels** in Shetland, virtually all owned by local shareholder crewmen.
- ◆ More than **386 people** were directly employed in fish catching. Hundreds more jobs depended on fishing, in fish processing, marketing, transport, supply and engineering, for example.
- ◆ Shetland vessels landed **£79 million** worth of fish, in Shetland and elsewhere.
- ◆ **£74 million** worth of fish were landed in Shetland, by local and visiting fishing vessels.
- ◆ More than **one quarter** of all fish landed in Scotland was landed in Shetland (28%).
- ◆ Almost **one quarter** of all fish landed in the UK was landed in Shetland (23%).
- ◆ Shetland vessels accounted for almost **one quarter** of all fish landed by Scottish vessels (22%), and **one sixth** of all landings by UK vessels (17%).
- ◆ **More fish was landed in Shetland than in any other port in the UK, except Peterhead.** Landings in Shetland were more than double those in the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked port (Fraserburgh).
- ◆ **More fish were landed in Shetland than in all of England, Wales and Northern Ireland.**
- ◆ For landings of whitefish, Lerwick was the 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked port in the UK, Scalloway was 9<sup>th</sup> and Cullivoe 12<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ Landings in Shetland accounted for 1.4% of all fish landed in Europe (in 2011).

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Figures are based on analysis of data supplied by the Marine Analytical Unit of Marine Scotland Science, and of published fisheries statistics.



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## *In 2014:*

- ◆ **78,000 tonnes** of fish and shellfish, worth **£76 million** were landed in Shetland, by local and visiting fishing boats.
- ◆ Almost **one quarter** of all fish landed in Scotland was landed in Shetland (24%).
- ◆ **One fifth** of all fish landed in the UK was landed in Shetland (20%).
- ◆ **More fish was landed in Shetland than in any other port in the UK**, except Peterhead. Landings in Shetland were almost three times those in the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked port (Fraserburgh).
- ◆ **More fish were landed in Shetland than in all of England, Wales and Northern Ireland combined.**
- ◆ Lerwick was the 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked port in the UK for landings of fish, Scalloway was 10<sup>th</sup> and Cullivoe (Yell) 14<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ There were **179 active commercial fishing boats** in Shetland, virtually all owned by local shareholder crewmen.
- ◆ **386 people** were directly employed in fish catching. Hundreds more jobs depended on fishing, in fish processing, marketing, transport, supply and engineering, for example.
- ◆ Shetland boats landed **134,000 tonnes** of fish and shellfish, worth **£112 million**, in Shetland and elsewhere.
- ◆ Shetland boats accounted for almost **one third** of all fish landed by Scottish boats (32%), and **one fifth** of all landings by UK boats (22%).

## *In 2013:*

- ◆ **Almost half** of British landings of fish were caught within 100 miles of Shetland (46%).
- ◆ **Three quarters** of British landings of fish from the North Sea were caught within 100 miles of Shetland (75%).

### Notes

Fish = demersal (whitefish) and pelagic fish.

'British landings' = total landings in the UK by UK and foreign boats, and by UK boats abroad.

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