

Fish welfare

Sustainability indicators

Our sustainability indicators are just some of the key ways in which we measure how we are performing with regards to fish welfare, protecting the environment and benefiting the local communities in which we live and work. (All figures correct on 01 December 2021.)

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RSPCA Assured



100%

farms operating to RSPCA standards

We're proud to farm to RSPCA welfare standards; standards that set out best practice in the rearing and care of farmed salmon: from freshwater and marine, to harvest and processing.

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Fish survival



92%

average annual fish survival

By focusing on an approach of prevention over cure, our average end of crop survival for the last full farming year (2020) was 92%, bringing our five-year annual average to 91%.

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Fish quality



91%

superior grade YTD

91% of all fish harvested to date in 2021 has been graded superior quality, giving a strong indication of the high health and welfare status of our fish.

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Responsible medicine use



0%

medicinal residue in our harvested fish

Our strict veterinary protocols have helped ensure the continued absence of medicinal residues with the Veterinary Medicines Directorate surveillance programme detecting no residues in our salmon destined for market.

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Minimal antibiotics



0 mg/kg

antibiotics administered

We haven't administered antibiotics at seawater stage since 2012. Antibiotic use at freshwater stage equated to just 0.008 mg/kg in 2019, followed by zero use in 2020.

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Increasing knowledge



£10M+

investment in applied research

Since 2013, we've invested £10.3M+ in collaborative and in-house research worth over £19.4M to help increase understanding of key fish health issues including gill disorders, sea lice and Saprolegnia.