

CETACEANS

Species and Stocks of Relevance to NAMMCO

Species	Regions	Management Areas/Subareas of Direct Relevance to NAMMCO	Comment
		Blue = Unit shared between NAMMCO and non-NAMMCO countries	
Common minke whale	Western N Atlantic (W)	West Greenland (WG)	
		East Greenland coastal (EGC)	
	Central N Atlantic (C)	Icelandic Coastal (CIC)	
		Iceland Pelagic (CIP)	
		Western Norwegian Sea - Jan Mayen (CM)	
	Eastern N Atlantic (E)	Svalbard-Bear Island West (ES: ESW+ESE)	
		Eastern Barents Sea (EB)	
		Eastern Norwegian Sea (EW) (incl. Part FO survey area) North Sea / West UK (EN) (incl. part FO survey area)	
Fin whale	Western N Atlantic	West Greenland (WG)	
		East Greenland coastal (EGC*)	
	Central N Atlantic	East Greenland - West Iceland (EGO* + WI) East Iceland & Faroe Islands (EI+F)	
	Eastern N Atlantic	Norwegian and Barents Seas (N)	
Humpback whale	North Atlantic	West Greenland	
		East Greenland coastal	
		Iceland - Faroe Islands (incl. CIC)	
		Norwegian and Barents Seas	
Sei whale	North Atlantic	West Greenland	
		Iceland-Denmark Strait	
		Eastern North Atlantic	
Blue whale	North Atlantic	Western North Atlantic	
		Eastern North Atlantic	
Bowhead whale	Arctic	Baffin Bay - Davis Strait	
		Spitsbergen	
Sperm whale	North Atlantic	North Atlantic	
Bottlenose whale	North Atlantic	North East Atlantic	
Narwhal	Baffin Bay	Smith Sound	
		Jones Sound	
		Inglefield Bredning	
		Melville Bay	
		Eastern Baffin Island	
		Eclipse Sound	
		Admiralty Inlet	
		Somerset Island	
	East Greenland	Northeast Greenland	North of Ittoqqortoormiit to Nørøstrunden, including Dove Bay, Northeast Water (NEW) Polynia & Greenland Sea.
		Ittoqqortoormiit / Scoresby Sound / Blossville Coast t	Ittoqqortoormiit to 68.30°N
		Kangerlussuaq	68.30°N - 67°N
		Tasiilaq	South of 67°N to ca. 64°N
	Barents region	Svalbard	
Beluga	Eastern High Arctic - Baffin Bay	North water to Cape York	
		West Greenland from Cape York to 65°N	
		West Greenland south of 65°N	
		Southwest Greenland	
	Greenland Sea	East Greenland, Svalbard, Barents Sea	There is no permanent resident beluga population off GL. A recent genomic analysis (NAMMCO 2023) of 15 animals caught in Ittoqqortoormiit and Tasiilaq between 2017 and 2023 revealed that they originated from three distinct locations: the Beaufort Sea, the Kara Sea, and Svalbard. It is likely that these animals are simply vagrants exploring a newly available habitat as conditions in the region change.
Killer whale	North Atlantic	West Greenland	
		Central and North East Atlantic (possibly 2 units: East Greenland-Iceland-Faroe Islands-Scotland & Norway)	
Long-finned pilot whale	North Atlantic	West Greenland	
		East Greenland	
		Iceland - Faroe Islands	
		Norway	
Harbour porpoise**	Eastern N Atlantic	Greenland	
		Iceland	
		Faroe Islands	
		Barents Sea - Lofoten	
		Coastal Lofoten - 62°N	
White sided dolphin	North Atlantic	Greenland	
		Iceland - Faroe Islands	
		Norway	
White beaked dolphin	North Atlantic	Greenland	
		Iceland - Faroe Islands	
		Norway	
Bottlenose dolphin	Eastern N Atlantic	Faroe Islands	
		Norway	

*C = Coastal, O = Offshore