

## FACTSHEET: Auction sampling eel (ELE-FRS-MIS)

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<b>Sampling protocol:</b> Market sampling eel fisheries
<b>Sampling objective(s):</b> biological data and length frequency distribution landings
<b>Start of sampling:</b> 2009 (and many years before in IJsselmeer area, but different protocol)
<b>Sampling ongoing:</b> yes
<b>Data use</b> 3-yearly EU eel evaluation (part of eel regulation), ICES WGEEL
<b>Sampling design and method</b> Annual length measurements of eels from the IJsselmeer area (IJsselmeer/Markermeer), and areas outside the IJsselmeer area. Every year 18-20 fishermen are visited twice a year (two fishermen three times a year). The first visit in May-June and the second in July-August. When available, 150 eels are measured in length to the cm below, making a distinction between yellow and silver eel.
<b>Sampling protocol and data capture</b> In addition, eels are taken to the lab for further biological research. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Four eels per ten cm group up to 49 cm</li><li>• Two eels per ten cm group from 50 cm</li><li>• Length measures in length (mm below), weight (g), sex and maturity stage (yellow/silver eel)</li><li>• eye diameter in mm (vertical and horizontal)</li><li>• fin length in mm</li><li>• swim bladder is examined for presence or absence of the swim bladder parasite <i>Anguillicola crassa</i></li><li>• Otolith collection.</li><li>• 100 otoliths are sent to Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) for age reading</li></ul>
<b>Data quality</b> <i>Quality assurance procedure</i> Quality checks are conducted upon processing at the institute, and before entry into the national database FRISBE. Standardised SAS scripts are used for the data quality checks (available upon request).
<b>Data storage</b> National database: Billie files are submitted to the national database FRISBE. The relevant aspects of this database are described in <a href="#">Proc databases</a> .
International database: -
<b>Data availability</b> Institutional availability: data is made available as soon as possible after the survey.
Public availability: -
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