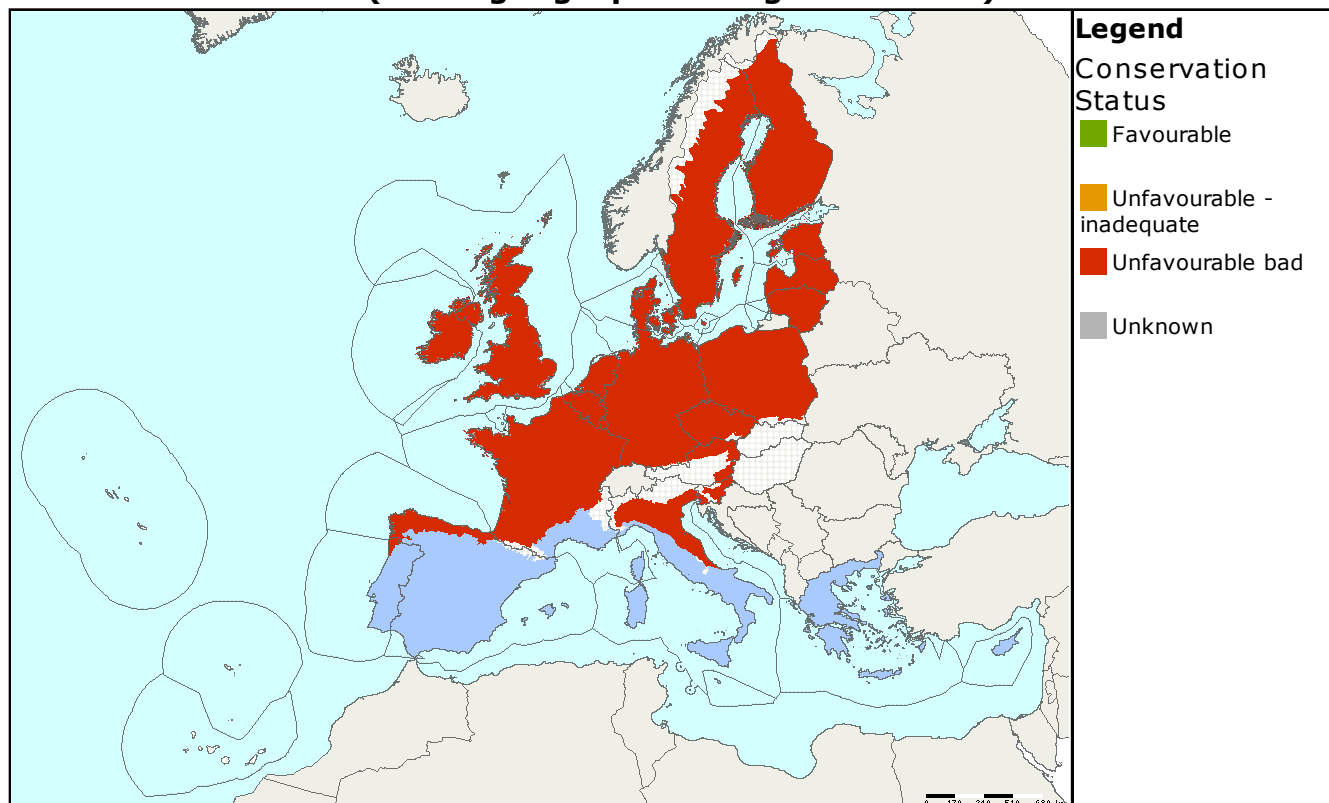


Habitat code: **1130**
 Habitat name: **Estuaries**

Habitat group: **coastal habitats**
 Regions: **ATL BOR CON MED**

Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



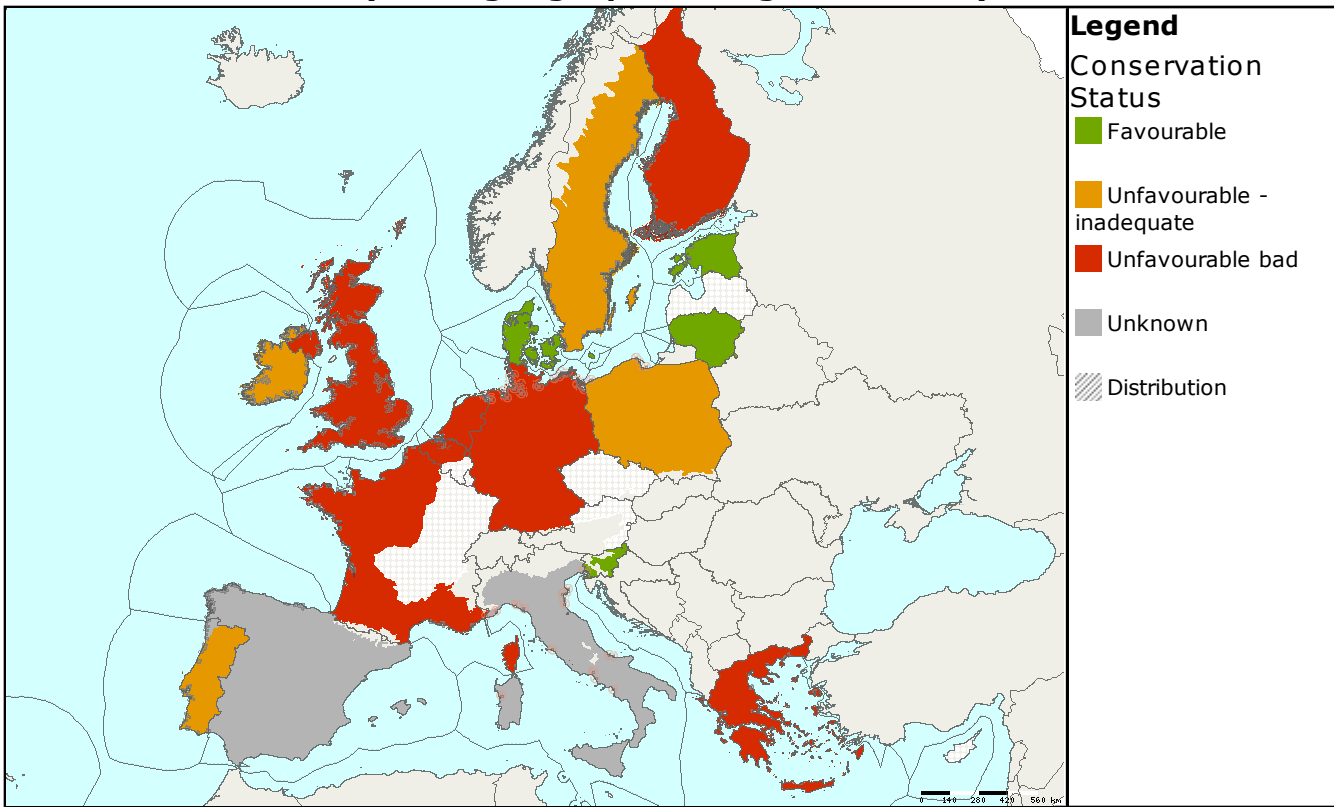
MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	ATL	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	>5843	
EU25	BOR	Green	Green	Red	Yellow	Red	960	=
EU25	CON	Green	Yellow	Red	Yellow	Red	>791	=
EU25	MED	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue		

Estuaries are complex habitats found on all of Europe's coastline and usually contain several other annex I habitats such as mudflats and saltmarshes, there is much variation, partly linked to tidal range which can vary from very little in the Baltic to very large as in parts of the Atlantic region where it can exceed 10m.

Very few countries have assessed this habitat as 'favourable' and it has been assessed as 'unfavourable-bad' in all regions except the Mediterranean (where the data does not allow an assessment but where it is probably also unfavourable). These assessments are mostly due to the 'structure and function' of the habitat although future prospects are also partly responsible.

Threats and pressures are numerous, many linked to development, use and water quality

**Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states
(all biogeographical regions - EU25)**



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area	Data quality
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall			
BE	ATL	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Favourable	Unfavourable bad	56	+	1
DE	ATL	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	917.92	=	2
DK	ATL	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Favourable	58	=	3
ES	ATL	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	N/A	-	
FR	ATL	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	961	-	2
IE	ATL	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	324	=	2
NL	ATL	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable bad	443	=	1
PT	ATL	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	N/A	-	
UK	ATL	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	3083.55	X	1
EE	BOR	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	70	=	1
FI	BOR	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable bad	680	=	2
LT	BOR	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Favourable	Favourable	20	=	2
SE	BOR	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	190	=	2
DE	CON	Favourable	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable bad	697.54	-	1
DK	CON	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Favourable	20	=	3
IT	CON	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	8	=	2
PL	CON	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unknown	Unfavourable - inadequate	N/A	=	2
SE	CON	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	60	=	2
SI	CON	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	5	=	1
EL	MED	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	N/A	-	3
ES	MED	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	N/A	N/A	3
FR	MED	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	23	-	2
IT	MED	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	9	=	2
PT	MED	Favourable	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unknown	Unfavourable - inadequate	N/A	-	

Data quality is based on an assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>