

EEZ & LAW OF THE SEA

Focus Question: What is the EEZ & how is this relevant to fishery management?



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- Can a commercial fishing boat from another country take fish (without quota) from our waters within 200 nautical miles from land?
- Why or why not?

NO! They can't! They would need to purchase quota under the QMS!

The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) gave all countries the right to manage all resources out to 200 nautical miles from land



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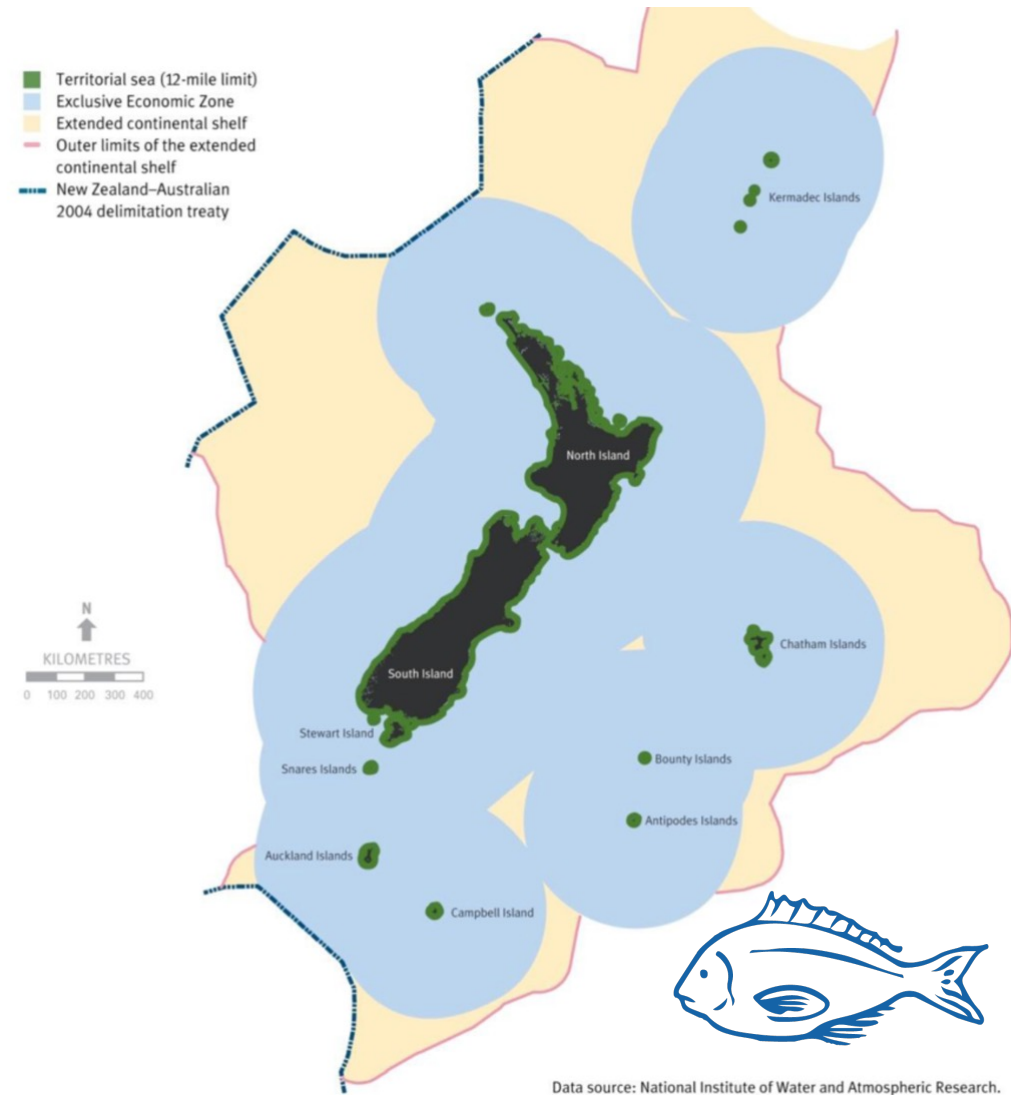


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- We have a territorial sea (12 miles out to sea) (green area close to land) and all our laws apply within this area
- We manage all ocean resources out to 200 nautical miles (blue area)
- And we manage the seafloor beyond 200 miles (yellow area)



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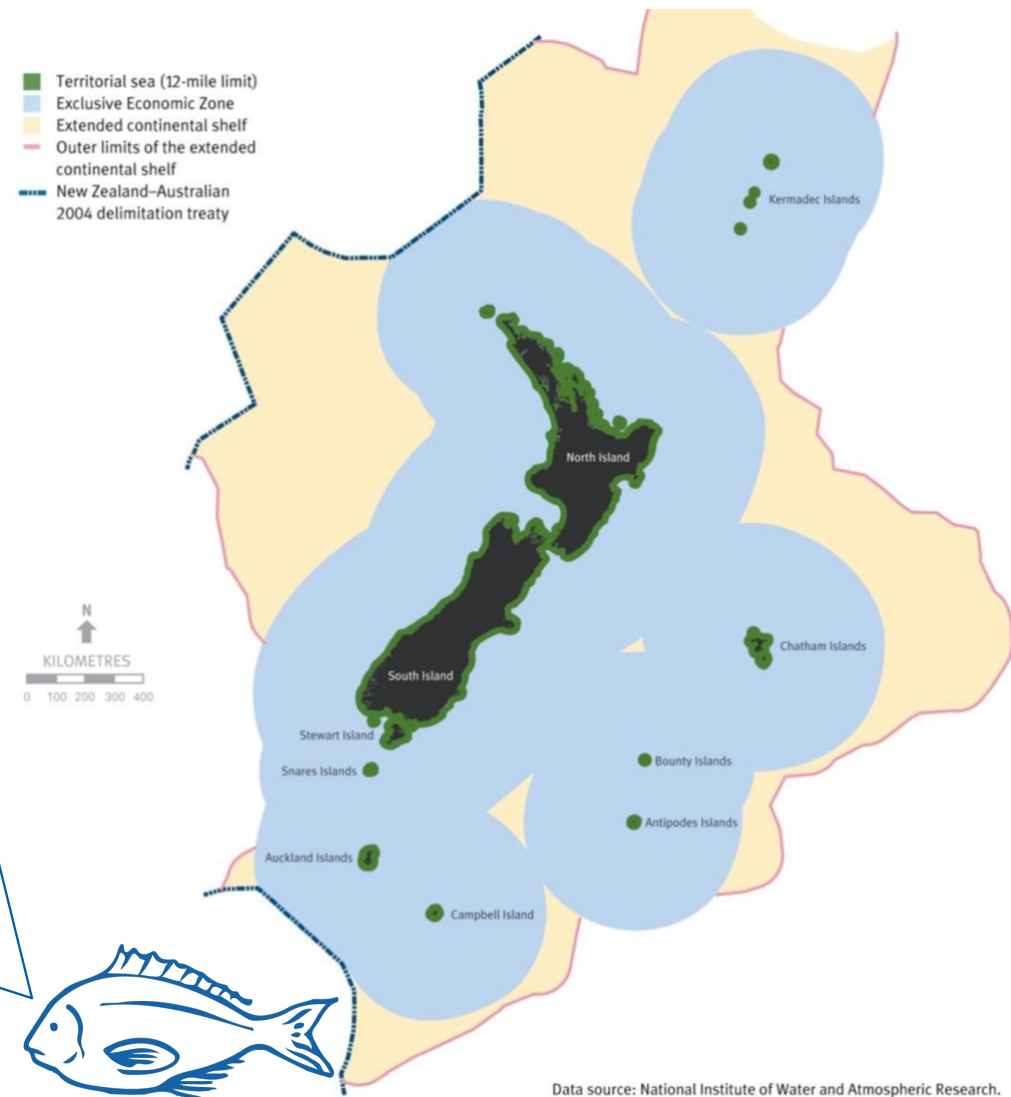
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MAHI / ACTIVITY

Create your own map of Aotearoa New Zealand. Label the EEZ, Territorial Sea and Continental shelf territory!

Draw pictures or write some notes to remind yourself what rights we have in each zone!

Need Help? Visit MFE's [marine zone page](#)



Data source: National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research.

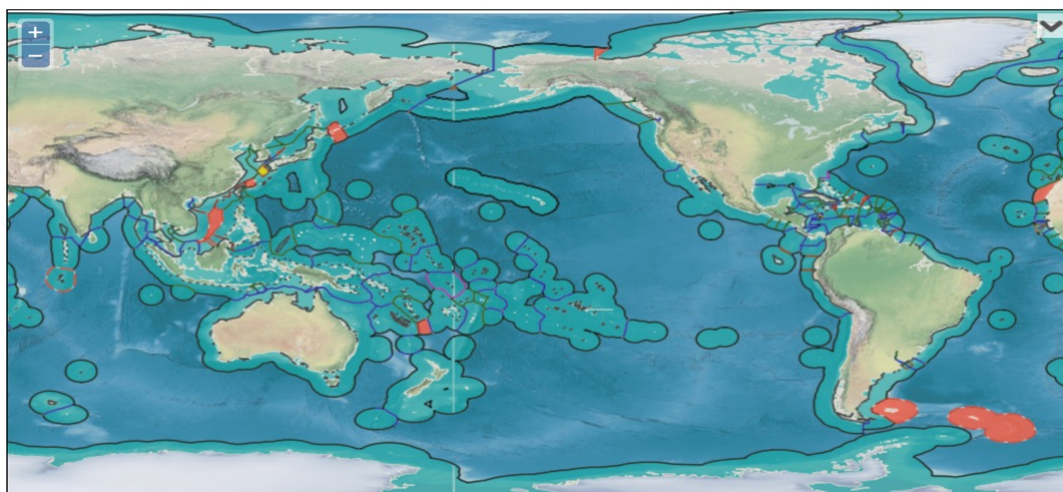


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- All countries with coastal boundaries manage fisheries within their EEZ (Exclusive Economic Zone)



Source: marineregions.org

MAHI / ACTIVITY

- Open this interactive map
- Look at all the EEZs - how does our EEZ compare to other countries? Can you see any countries that have no EEZs? Or countries with very large EEZs?
- Zoom in to your home area. Can you find the part of the ocean closest to where you live?



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