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IRELAND'S INCREASED CATCHES OF EU SALMON

A comparison between catches over the last 3 years and those of a decade ago

Total Catches, tons

	Ireland all methods total (1)	Ireland drift net catches only (2)	EU community ICES-Southern Europe region total (1)
1991	404	267	1.145
1992	630	454	1.522
1993	541	380	1.443
Total	1.575	1.101	4.110
Pct	38,32%	26,79%	100,00%
2001	730	620	1.242
2002	682	583	1.119
2003	575	471	932
Total	1.987	1.674	3.293
Pct	60,34%	50,84%	100,00%

Ireland drift net catches, numbers

Year:	Numbers (2)	Years	Numbers (2)
1991	91.031	2001	197.172
1992	167.348	2002	179.177
1993	138.969	2003	141.222
Total	397.348		517.571

This is a 30.26% increase in numbers

(1) Ref: ICES statistics

(2) Ref: Central Fisheries Board statistics