

## Bathing Water Directive - Status of bathing water, 2023

The EU Bathing Waters Directive (Directive 2006/7/EC) requires Member States to annually identify all bathing waters (inland, transitional and coastal) and define the length of the bathing season. Member States are also requested to monitor indicator parameters linked to microbiological health risk.

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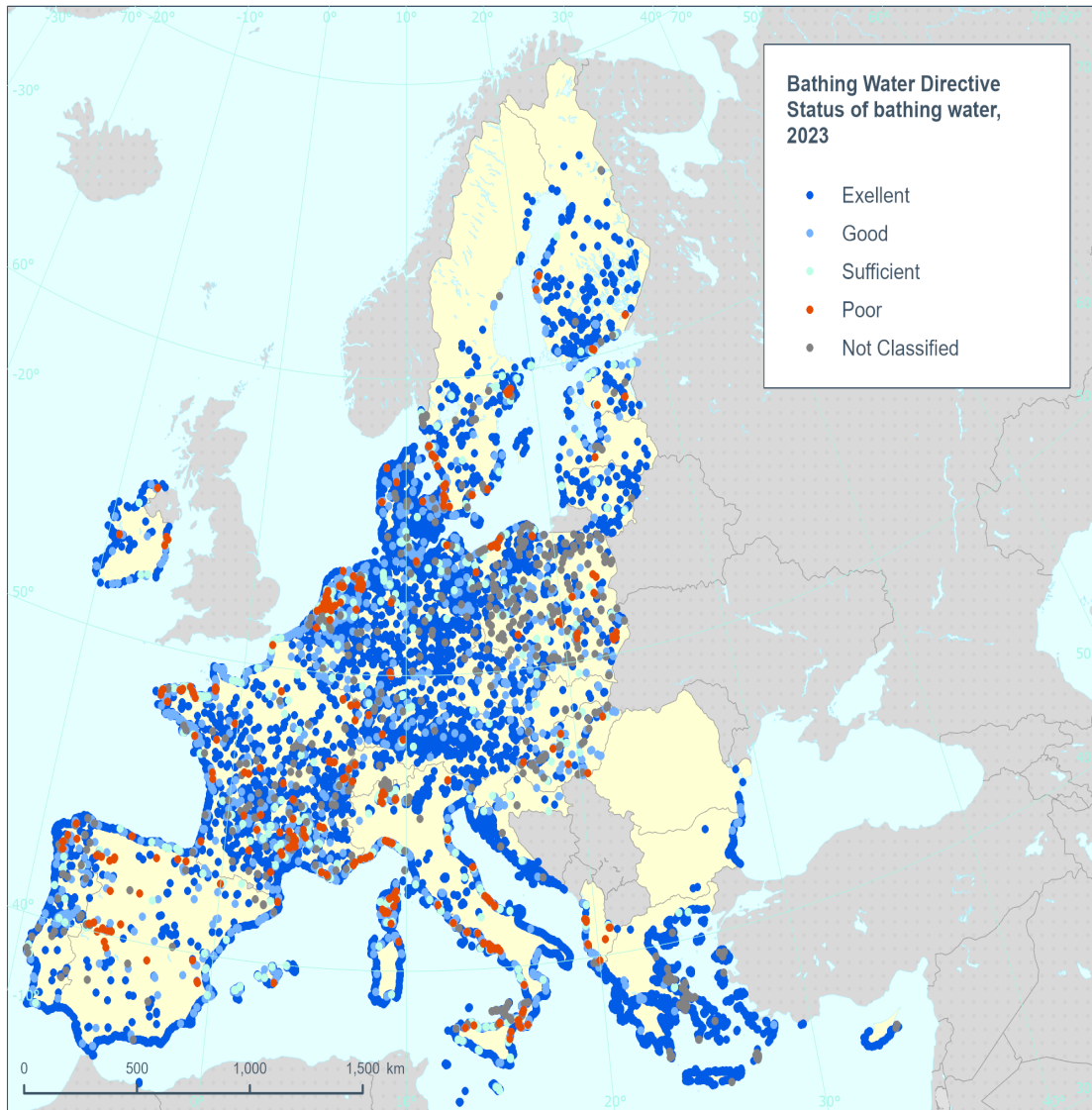
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<b>Hierarchy level</b>	Dataset		
<b>Statement</b>	<p>Shortly before the start of and during the bathing season, competent authorities designated by MS take bathing water samples and analyse them for the types of bacteria associated with microbiological health risk and indicating pollution from e.g. sewage and livestock breeding. Polluted water can have impacts on human health, causing stomach upsets and diarrhoea if swallowed. Infections of the ears, eyes and upper respiratory tract are also possible and more serious infectious diseases can occasionally be contracted. Based on the levels of bacteria detected, bathing water quality is then classified as 'excellent', 'good', 'sufficient' or 'poor'.</p> <p>Member States establish their respective monitoring calendars, which must follow the provisions of Annex IV to the Bathing Water Directive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One sample is to be taken shortly before the start of the bathing season; no fewer than four samples (including the pre-season sample) are to be taken and analysed per bathing season; only three samples need be taken and analysed per bathing season in the case of a bathing water that either has a bathing season not exceeding eight weeks or is situated in a region subject to special geographical constraints.</li> <li>- Sampling dates are to be distributed throughout the bathing season, with the interval between sampling dates never exceeding one month.</li> </ul>		

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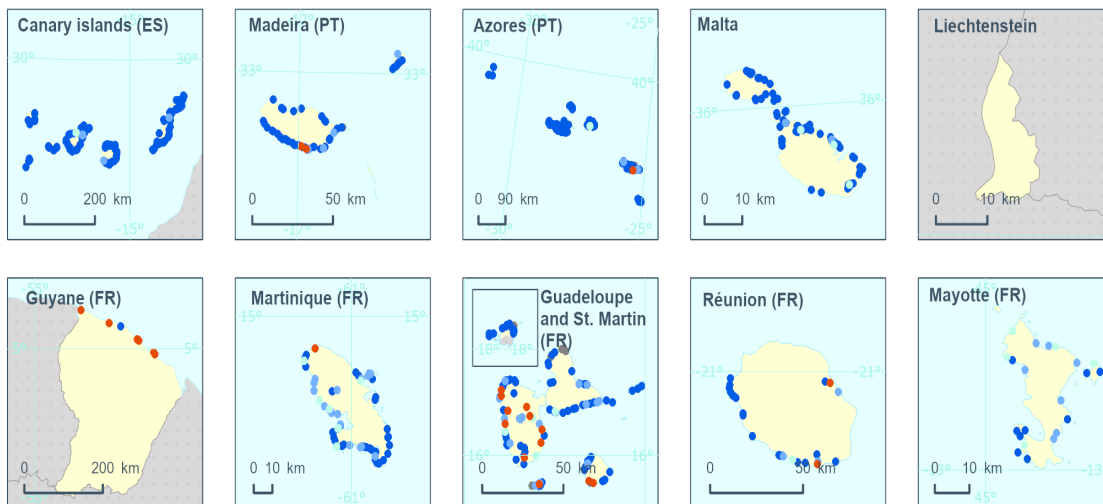
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