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0.1 Member State	GR
0.2.1 Species code	1349
0.2.2 Species name	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>
0.2.3 Alternative species scientific name	N/A
0.2.4 Common name	Rinodelfino

1. National Level

1.1 Maps

1.1.1 Distribution Map	Yes
1.1.1a Sensitive species	No
1.1.2 Method used - map	Estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling (2)
1.1.3 Year or period	2007-2012
1.1.4 Additional map	No
1.1.5 Range map	Yes

2. Biogeographical Or Marine Level

2.1 Biogeographical Region

2.2 Published sources

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2.3 Range

2.3.1 Surface area - Range (km ²)	115943
2.3.2 Method - Range surface area	Estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling (2)
2.3.3 Short-term trend period	2001-2012
2.3.4 Short-term trend direction	unknown (x)
2.3.5 Short-term trend magnitude	min max
2.3.6 Long-term trend period	
2.3.7 Long-term trend direction	N/A
2.3.8 Long-term trend magnitude	min max
2.3.9 Favourable reference range	area (km ²) operator approximately equal to (≈) unkown No method
2.3.10 Reason for change	Use of different method

2.4 Population

2.4.1 Population size (individuals or agreed exception)	Unit number of individuals (i) min 3800 max 9000
2.4.2 Population size (other than individuals)	Unit N/A min max
2.4.3 Additional information	Definition of locality Conversion method Problems
2.4.4 Year or period	1998-2012
2.4.5 Method – population size	Estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling (2)
2.4.6 Short-term trend period	2001-2012
2.4.7 Short term trend direction	unknown (x)
2.4.8 Short-term trend magnitude	min max confidence interval
2.4.9 Short-term trend method	Estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling (1)
2.4.10 Long-term trend period	
2.4.11 Long term trend direction	N/A
2.4.12 Long-term trend magnitude	min max confidence interval
2.4.13 Long-term trend method	N/A
2.4.14 Favourable reference population	number operator N/A unknown Yes method
2.4.15 Reason for change	

2.5 Habitat for the Species

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2.5.1 Surface area - Habitat (km ²)	115943
2.5.2 Year or period	1998-2012
2.5.3 Method used - habitat	Estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling (2)
2.5.4 a) Quality of habitat	Moderate
2.5.4 b) Quality of habitat - method	Based on the high fishing pressure in the habitat of the species.
2.5.5 Short term trend period	2001-2012
2.5.6 Short term trend direction	unknown (x)
2.5.7 Long-term trend period	
2.5.8 Long term trend direction	N/A
2.5.9 Area of suitable habitat (km ²)	115943
2.5.10 Reason for change	Use of different method

2.6 Main Pressures

Pressure	ranking	pollution qualifier(s)
marine constructions (D03.03)	low importance (L)	N/A
Professional active fishing (F02.02)	high importance (H)	N/A
benthic or demersal trawling (F02.02.01)	medium importance (M)	N/A
netting (F02.01.02)	medium importance (M)	N/A
shooting (F05.05)	low importance (L)	N/A
diffuse pollution to surface waters due to agricultural and forestry activities (H01.05)	low importance (L)	N/A
diffuse pollution to surface waters due to household sewage and waste waters (H01.08)	low importance (L)	N/A
Seismic exploration, explosions (H06.05)	low importance (L)	N/A
reduction of prey availability (including carcasses) (J03.01.01)	high importance (H)	N/A

2.6.1 Method used – pressures mainly based on expert judgement and other data (2)

2.7 Main Threats

Threat	ranking	pollution qualifier(s)
marine constructions (D03.03)	low importance (L)	N/A
Professional active fishing (F02.02)	high importance (H)	N/A
benthic or demersal trawling (F02.02.01)	medium importance (M)	N/A
netting (F02.01.02)	medium importance (M)	N/A
shooting (F05.05)	low importance (L)	N/A
diffuse pollution to surface waters due to agricultural and forestry activities (H01.05)	low importance (L)	N/A
diffuse pollution to surface waters due to household sewage and waste waters (H01.08)	low importance (L)	N/A
Seismic exploration, explosions (H06.05)	low importance (L)	N/A
reduction of prey availability (including carcasses) (J03.01.01)	high importance (H)	N/A

2.7.1 Method used – threats expert opinion (1)

2.8 Complementary Information

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2.8.1 Justification of % thresholds for trends

2.8.2 Other relevant Information

The species inhabits all the waters of the continental shelf from the shore up to depths of 250 m. Occasionally it can be found also in deep waters. There are no abundance estimations for any other population except those inhabiting the Amvrakikos Gulf and the internal Ionian Sea, where 148 and about 40 individuals have been recorded, respectively (comprehensive inventory). The range and the habitat of the species are covered very partially by the only two truly marine Natura 2000 sites: the internal Ionian Sea and the Northern Sporades. It has to be noted that in both these Natura 2000 sites not a single conservation measure has been taken specifically for common bottlenose dolphins and cetaceans in general.

Tursiops truncatus distribution and range does not include SAC GR2210003 because according to recent field data and relative research it is not present there; thus GR2210003 SDF will be corrected.

2.8.3 Trans-boundary assessment

2.9 Conclusions (assessment of conservation status at end of reporting period)

2.9.1 Range	assessment Unknown (XX) qualifiers N/A
2.9.2. Population	assessment Unknown (XX) qualifiers N/A
2.9.3. Habitat	assessment Inadequate (U1) qualifiers N/A
2.9.4. Future prospects	assessment Unknown (XX) qualifiers N/A
2.9.5 Overall assessment of Conservation Status	Inadequate (U1)
2.9.5 Overall trend in Conservation Status	declining (-)

3. Natura 2000 coverage and conservation measures - Annex II species

3.1 Population

3.1.1 Population Size	Unit number of individuals (i) min 50 max 200
3.1.2 Method used	Estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling (2)
3.1.3 Trend of population size within	N/A

3.2 Conversation Measures

3.2.1 Measure	3.2.2 Type	3.2.3 Ranking	3.2.4 Location	3.2.5 Broad Evaluation
Establish protected areas/sites (6.1)	Legal One-off	medium importance (M)	Inside	Enhance Long term
Legal protection of habitats and species (6.3)	Legal	high importance (H)	Both	Enhance