

Seafood Progress

Brands' Commitment to Sustainable and Socially Responsible Seafood

73

2022 aggregate score

Seafood Progress Average :
63



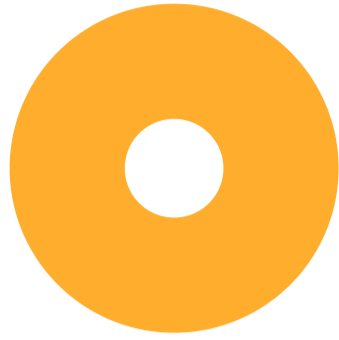
Sustainable Seafood Policy
[Seafood Sourcing Statement](#)



Headquarters
Ontario, Canada

OVERVIEW

Commitment to Sustainable Seafood



100%
of products sold in
2022 met
commitment.

Sustainability Commitment. DOM informed SeaChoice that it is committed to sourcing all of its farmed products from organic certified or ASC certified sources. If organic certified or ASC certified products are not available, its minimum sourcing standard for its farmed products is GLOBAL G.A.P. All of DOM's wild products are currently MSC certified, and it is committed to upholding this commitment depending on availability. DOM has already achieved this commitment (100% farmed product is GLOBAL G.A.P and 100% wild product is MSC certified), and has a full chain traceability policy that traces at least the product scientific name, geographic origin, farmed or wild and gear type or farming method.

Clear Objectives



Supplier Expectations



Traceability Policy

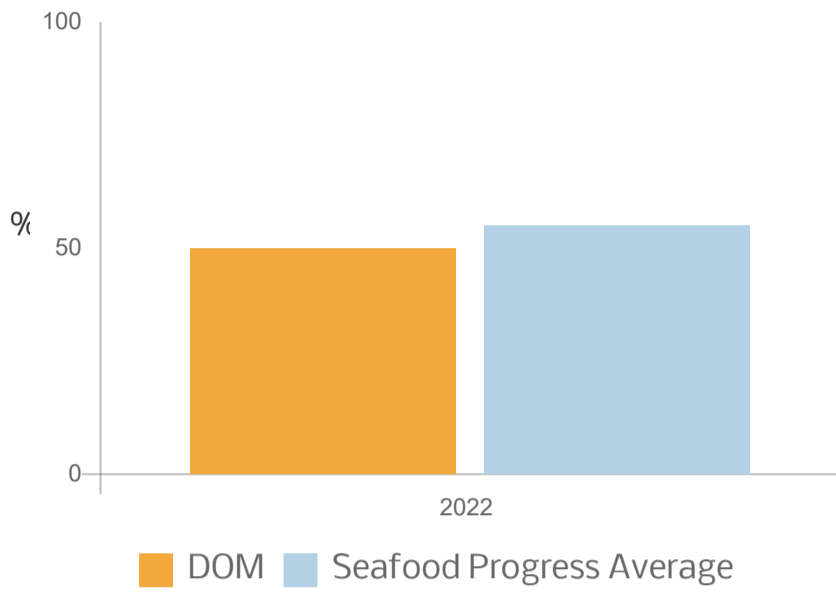


Reporting on Activities



Social Responsibility Commitment. DOM informed SeaChoice that it does not currently have a commitment to social responsibility, but it is working on developing a code of conduct for its suppliers that relays its expectations regarding human rights.

STEP 1: COMMITMENT

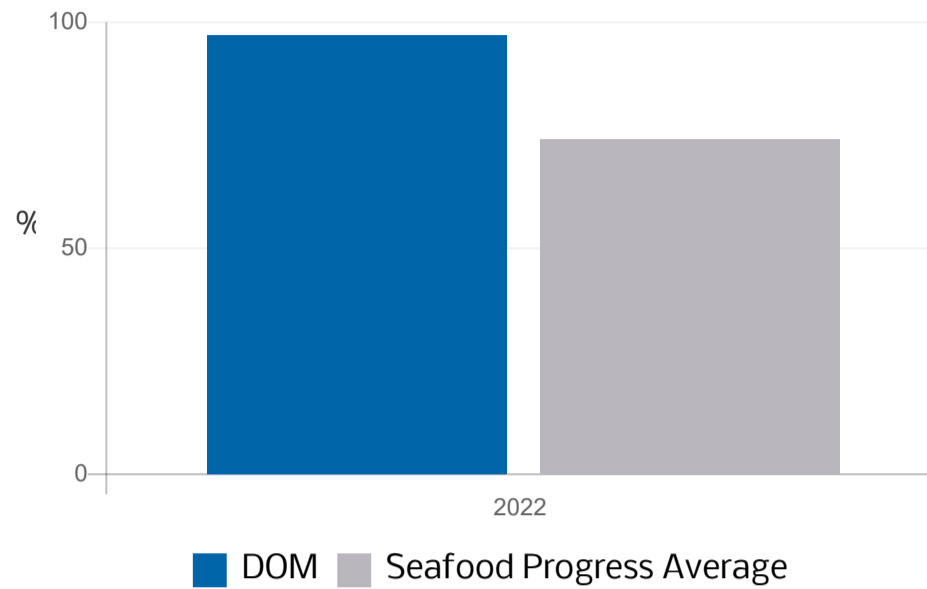


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Commitment

Does the brand have comprehensive commitments to sustainable and socially responsible seafood?

1.1 The brand has a publicly available commitment regarding environmentally sustainable seafood.



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100% Commitment to environmental sustainability includes clear objectives that are supported by references to credible standards, a full chain traceability policy and a timeline for meeting the commitment (unless the commitment has already been met).

80% Commitment to environmental sustainability that includes clear objectives that are supported by references to credible standards and a full chain traceability policy that traces at least the product scientific name, geographic origin, farmed/wild and gear type or farming method.

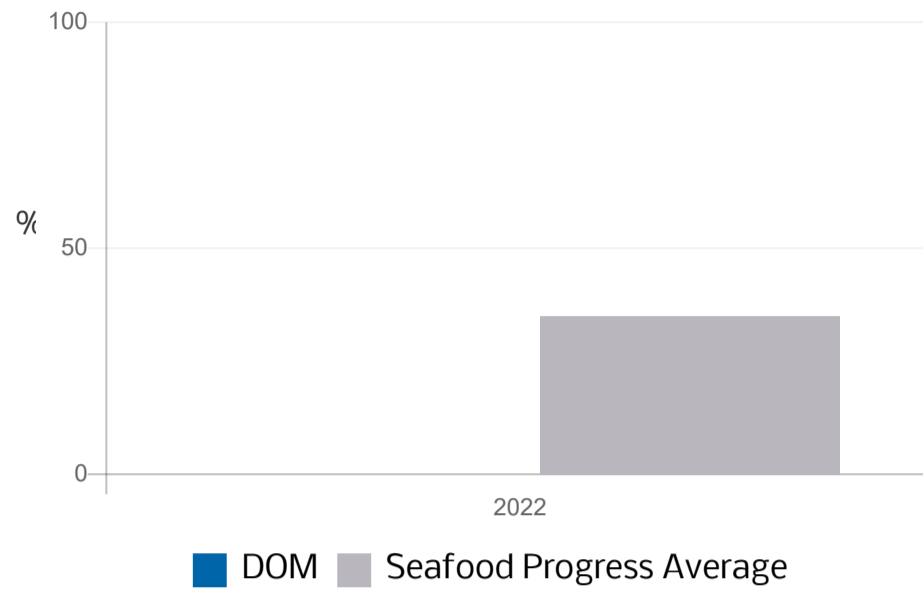
60% Commitment to environmental sustainability that includes clear objectives that are supported by references to credible standards (such as Seafood Watch or Ocean Wise ratings, eco-certifications, etc.).

40% Commitment to environmental sustainability that includes clear objectives for sustainable procurement.

20% General commitment to environmentally sustainable seafood.

0% No publicly available environmental sustainability commitment.

1.2 The brand has a publicly available commitment regarding socially responsible seafood.



DOM does not have a commitment to social responsibility (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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100% Commitment to social responsibility includes clear objectives, actions or expectations for seafood suppliers, a clear and effective traceability policy, and the grocer reports publicly on activities to support social responsibility.

80% Commitment to social responsibility includes clear objectives, actions or expectations for seafood suppliers, and a clear and effective traceability policy.

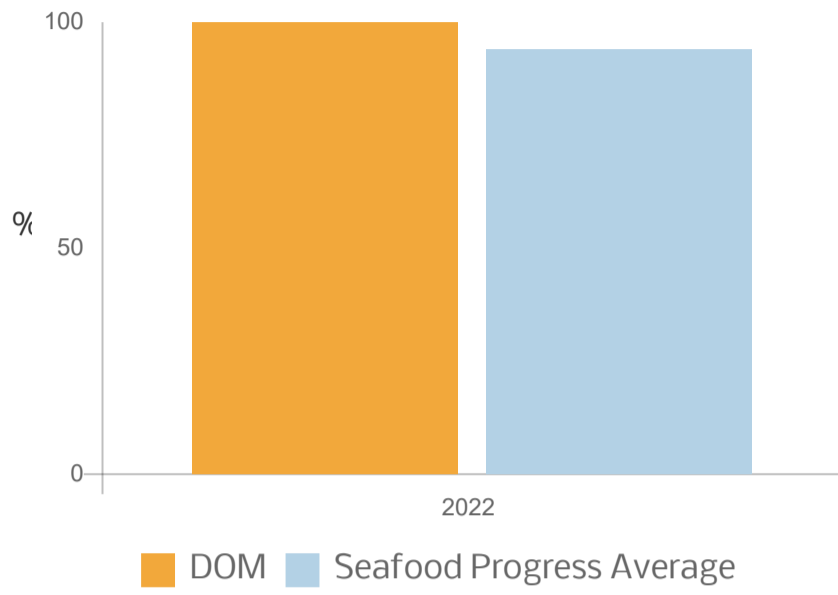
60% Commitment to social responsibility includes clear objectives and actions or expectations for seafood suppliers.

40% Commitment to social responsibility includes clear objectives for socially responsible procurement (for example by referring to credible international standards such as ILO, UN Declaration, etc.).

20% General commitment to socially responsible seafood.

0% No publicly available social responsibility commitment.

STEP 2: COLLECTING DATA

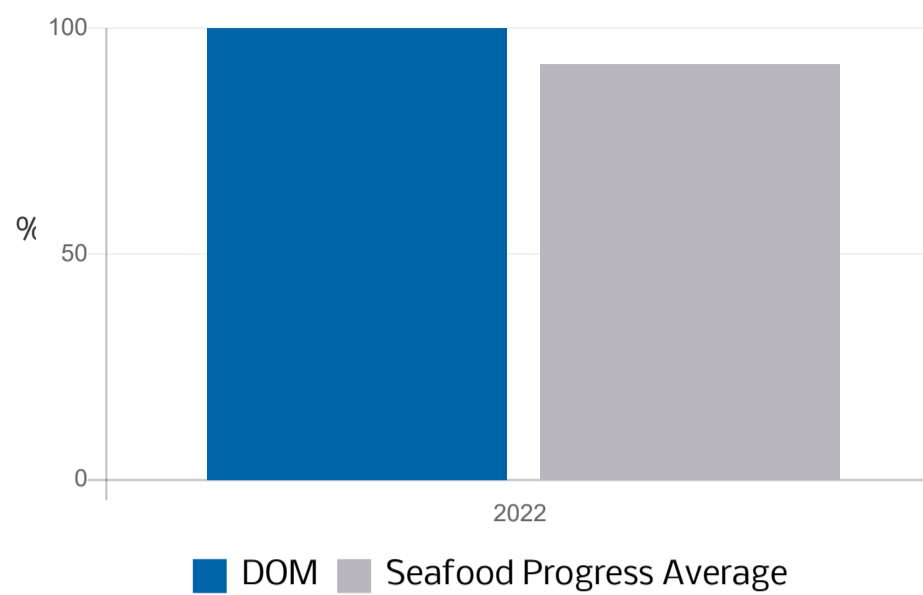


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Collecting Data

Is the brand collecting data to support its commitment?

2.1 The brand collects data on species scientific name.



DOM collects data on species scientific name for all products (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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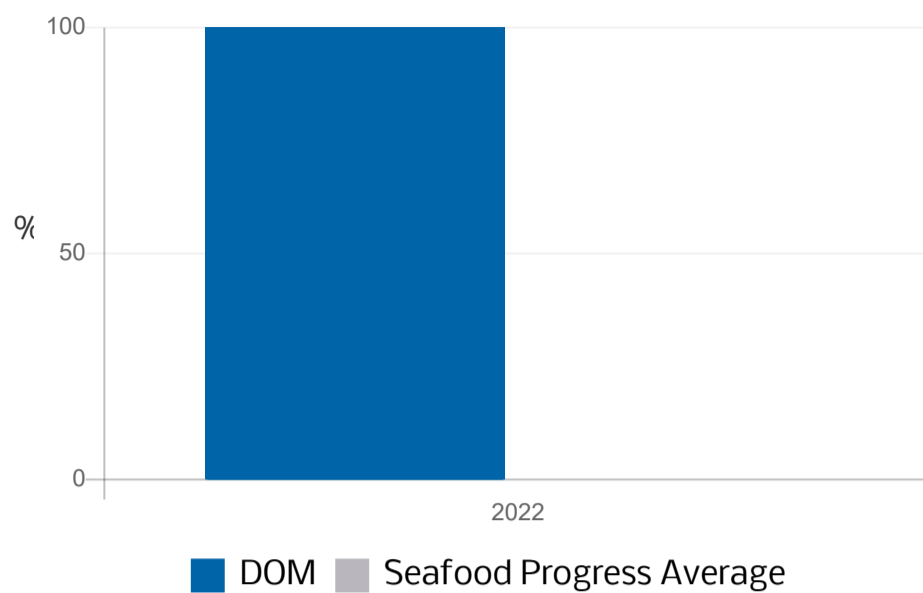


100% Collects data for all products.

50% Collects data for some products.

0% Does not collect data (or no information available).

2.2 The brand collects data on geographic origin.



DOM collects data on geographic origin for all products (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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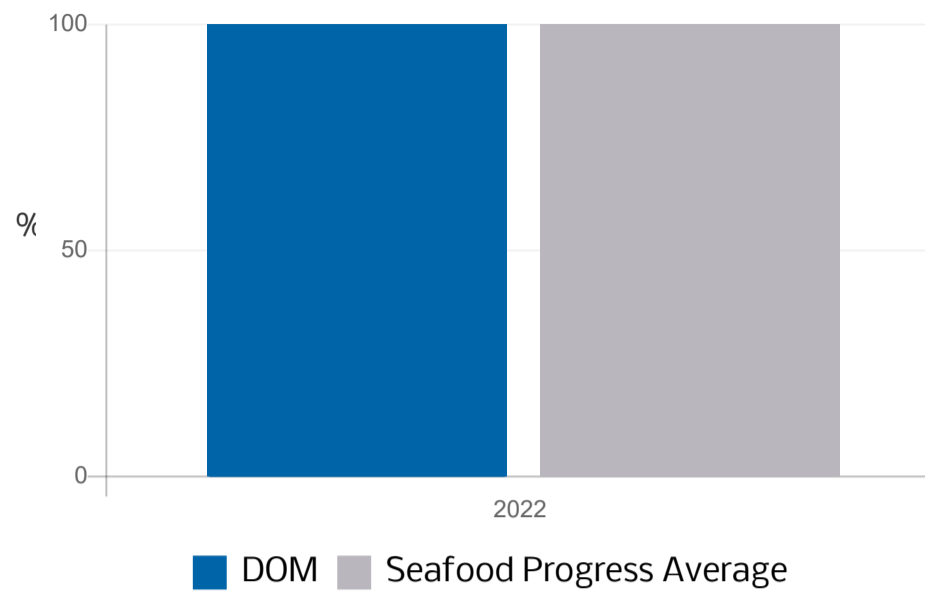


100% Collects data for all products.

50% Collects data for some products.

0% Does not collect data (or no information available).

2.3 The brand collects data on whether wild or farmed.



DOM collects data on whether farmed or wild for all products (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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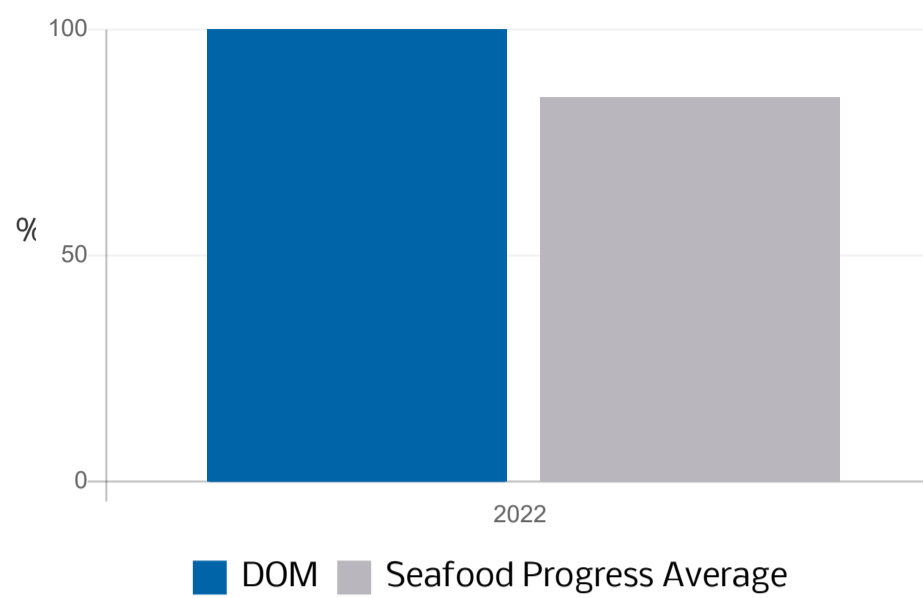


100% Collects data for all products.

50% Collects data for some products.

0% Does not collect data (or no information available).

2.4 The brand collects data on gear type or farming methods.



DOM collects data on gear type or farming method for all products (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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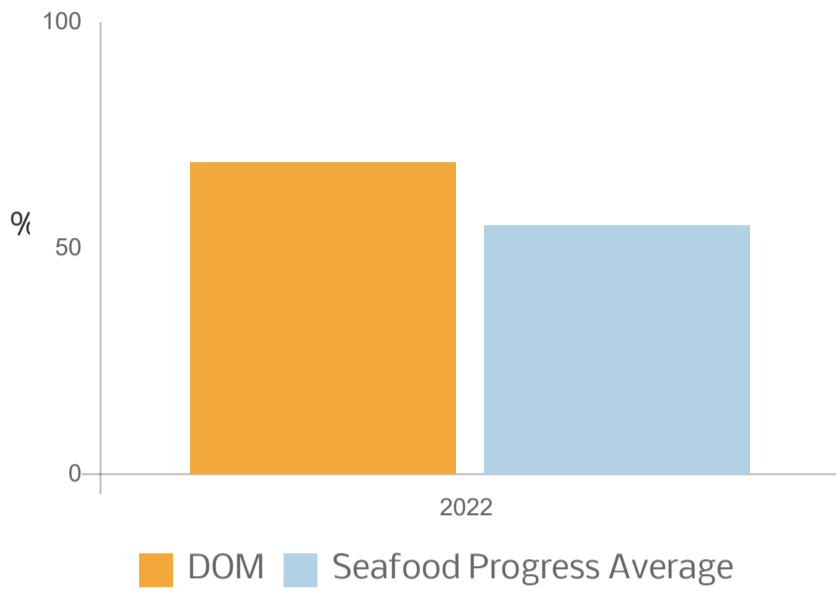


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STEP 3: SOURCING

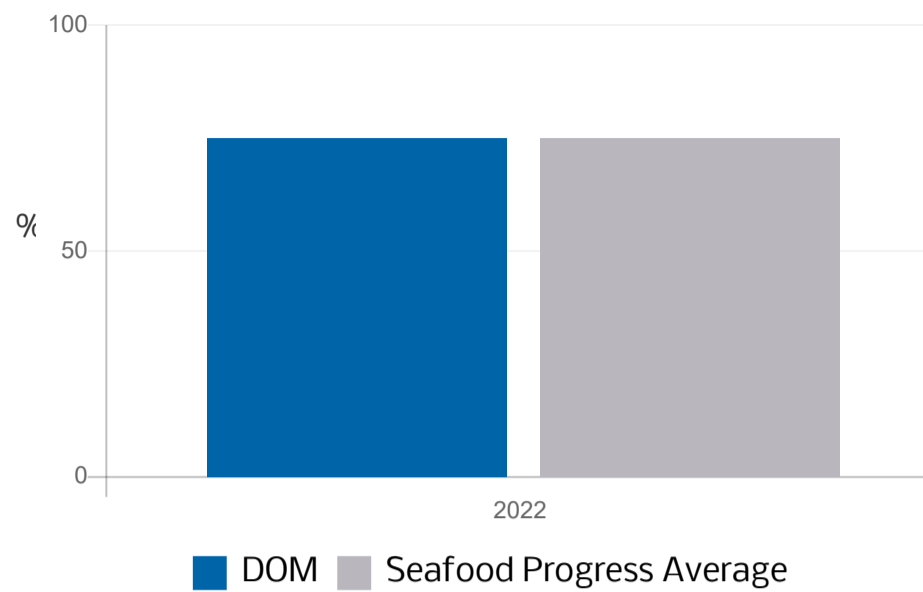


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Responsible Sourcing

Is the brand making responsible sourcing decisions?

3.1 Company publishes a clear hierarchy demonstrating its sourcing priorities.



Through its Seafood Progress profile, DOM has published the standard it uses to inform its purchasing decisions for wild commodities, and publishes a general list of standards it uses to inform its purchasing decisions for farmed commodities.

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100% Publishes a clear hierarchy of sustainability standards demonstrating its sourcing priorities for all commodities it sells.

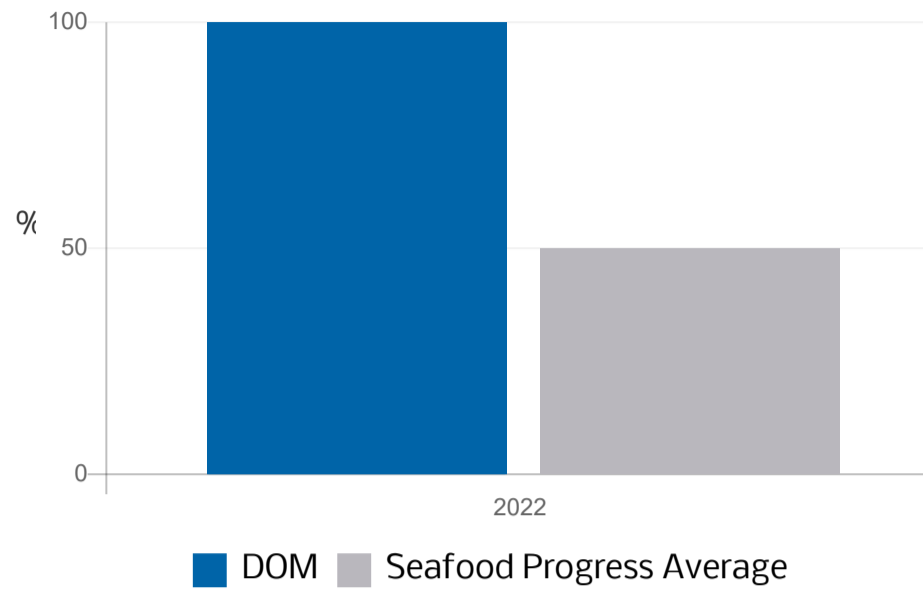
75% Publishes a clear hierarchy of sustainability standards used for sourcing some commodities, and identifies a general list of sustainability standards that it uses to inform its purchasing decisions for other commodities.

50% Publishes a clear hierarchy of sustainability standards used for sourcing some commodities, but doesn't identify the standards it uses to inform its purchasing decisions for other commodities.

25% Publishes a general list of sustainability standards that it uses to inform its purchasing decisions.

0% Does not publish the sustainability standards that it uses to inform its purchasing decisions.

3.2 The brand has reported on the percentage of seafood sold in the past year that meets its sustainability commitment by volume or value.



DOM reported to SeaChoice that 100% of its farmed seafood sold met its baseline commitment standard of Global G.A.P and 100% of its wild seafood sold was MSC certified in the past year (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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100% Grocery store has reported that 100% of its seafood sold meets its sustainability commitment.

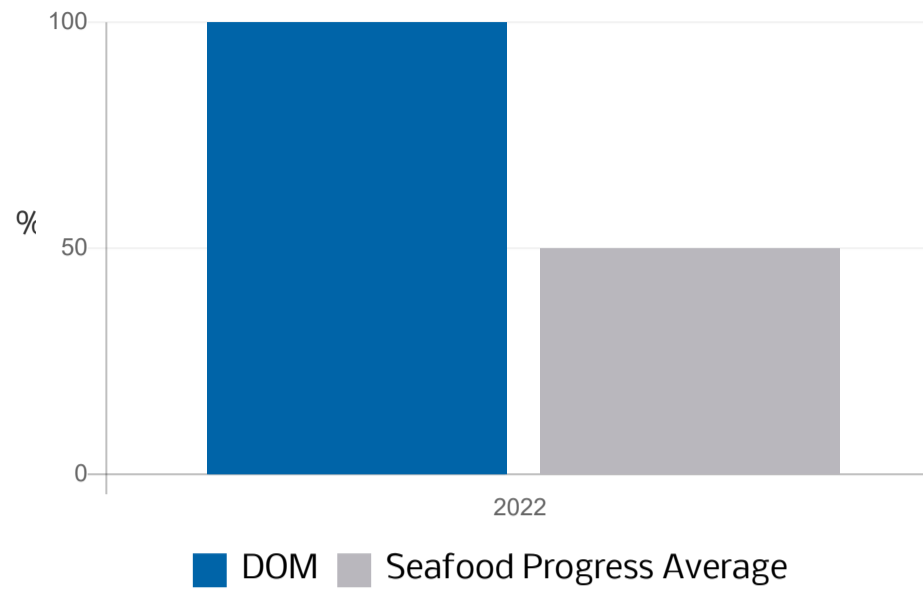
75% Grocery store has reported that 75% or more of its seafood sold meets its sustainability commitment.

50% Grocery store has reported that 50% or more of its seafood sold meets its sustainability commitment.

25% Grocery store has reported that 25% or more of its seafood sold meets its sustainability commitment.

0% Grocery store has not reported on the percentage of its seafood sold that meets its sustainability commitment (or no information available).

3.3 Suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct to uphold the brand's environmental sustainability commitment.



DOM has a supplier approval program that begins with selecting suppliers that meet its sustainability standards. Information such as proof of standard certificates and other supporting documentation is provided by suppliers initially and verified by DOM on an annual basis. Furthermore, as part of the import process all products must be declared as ASC, MSC, etc on documentation such as invoices and packing slips (personal communication, R. Sanas, 15/02/2022).

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100% All suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct that covers all of the retailer's environmental sustainability commitment and the retailer actively verifies that this commitment is being upheld on at least an annual basis.

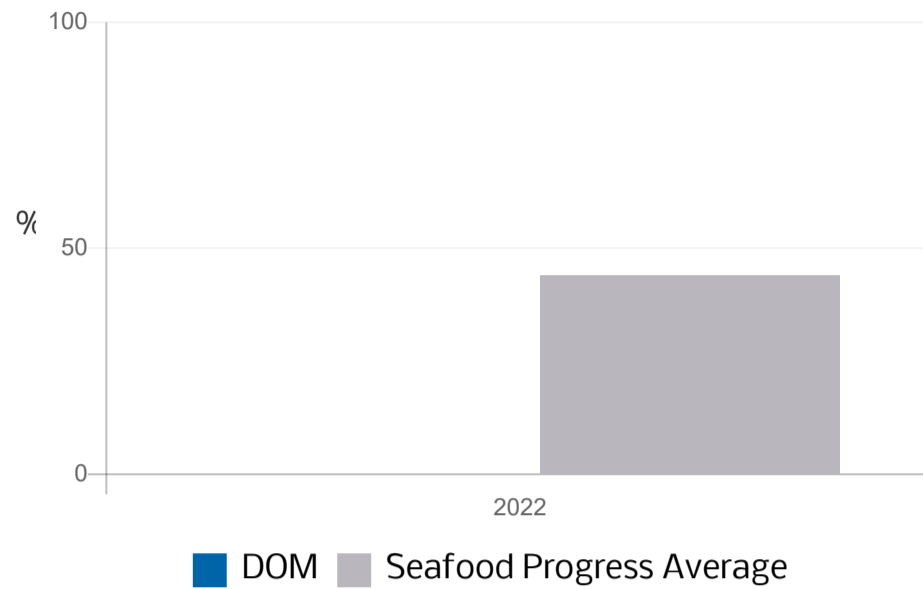
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25% Some suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct that covers some of the retailer's environmental sustainability commitment.

0% Suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct to uphold the grocery store's environmental sustainability commitment.

3.4 Suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct to uphold the brand's social responsibility commitment.



DOM does not currently have a supplier code of conduct but is working on developing one (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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100% All suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct that covers all of the retailer's social responsibility commitment and the retailer actively verifies that this commitment is being upheld on at least an annual basis.

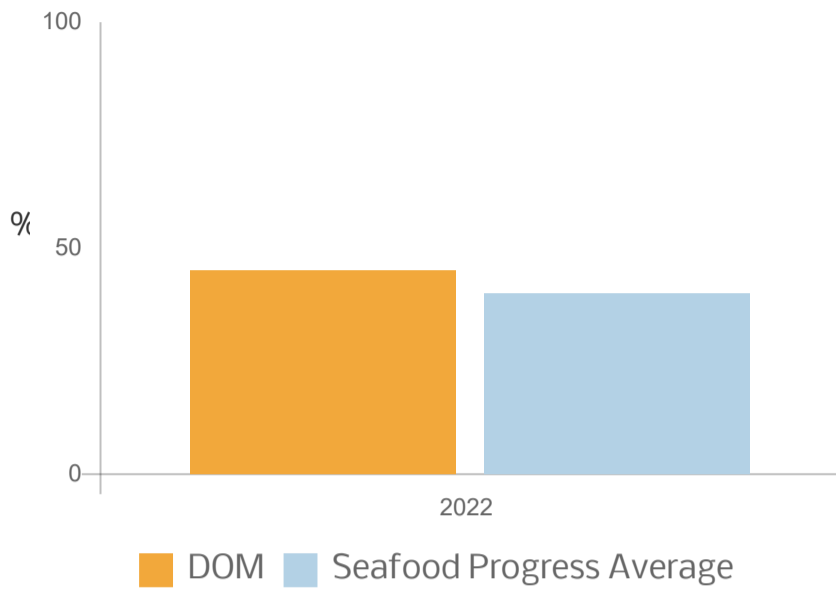
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50% All suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct that covers some of the grocery store's social responsibility commitment.

25% Some suppliers are required to sign a code of conduct that covers some of the grocery store's social responsibility commitment.

0% Suppliers are not required to sign a code of conduct (or no information).

STEP 4: TRANSPARENCY

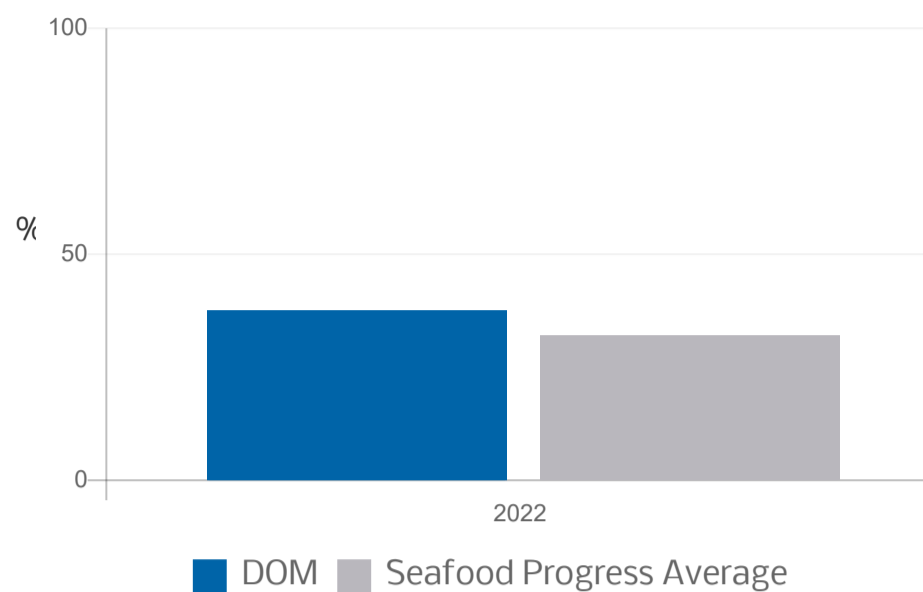


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Transparency

Is the brand transparent about its commitment?

4.1 The brand labels products with the information that allows consumers to make informed decisions.



DOM labels some products as wild and all products with geographic origin, but doesn't label any products with species' scientific name or gear type or farming method (personal communication, D. Porporo, 28/03/2022).

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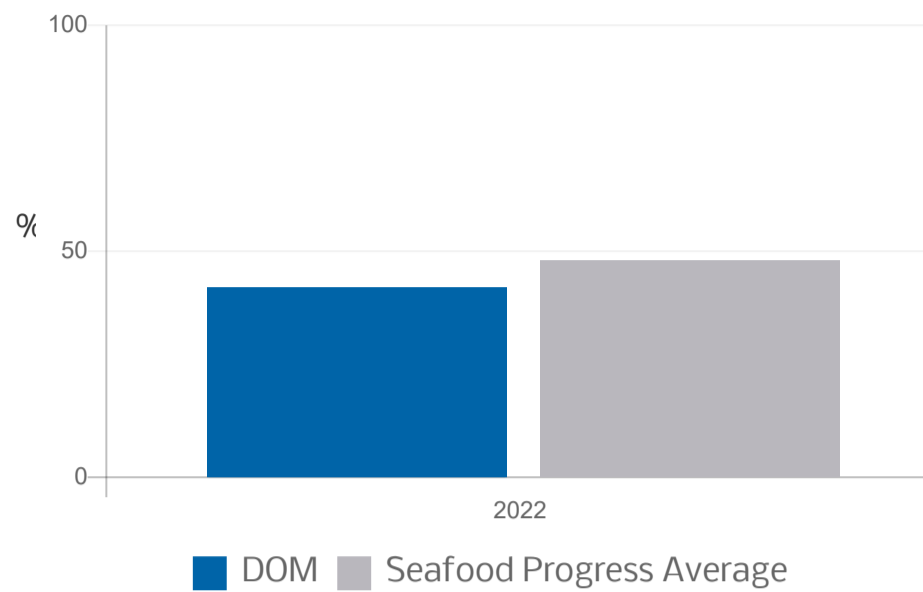


100% Grocery store labels all products with the information.

50% Grocery store labels some products with the information.

0% Grocery store does not label products with the information (or no information available).

4.2 The brand follows best practice guidelines for making environmental claims on its products.



DOM uses its “Sourced Responsibly” self claim and the Ocean Wise endorsement claim on some products but does not make sourcing information available to back up these claims. DOM’s self claim does not adhere to ISO14021 Type II guidance because it uses vague language and does not accompany the claim with an explanatory statement. DOM also labels some products with the MSC, ASC and BAP certification claims which include chain of custody to serve as evidence to back up these claims.

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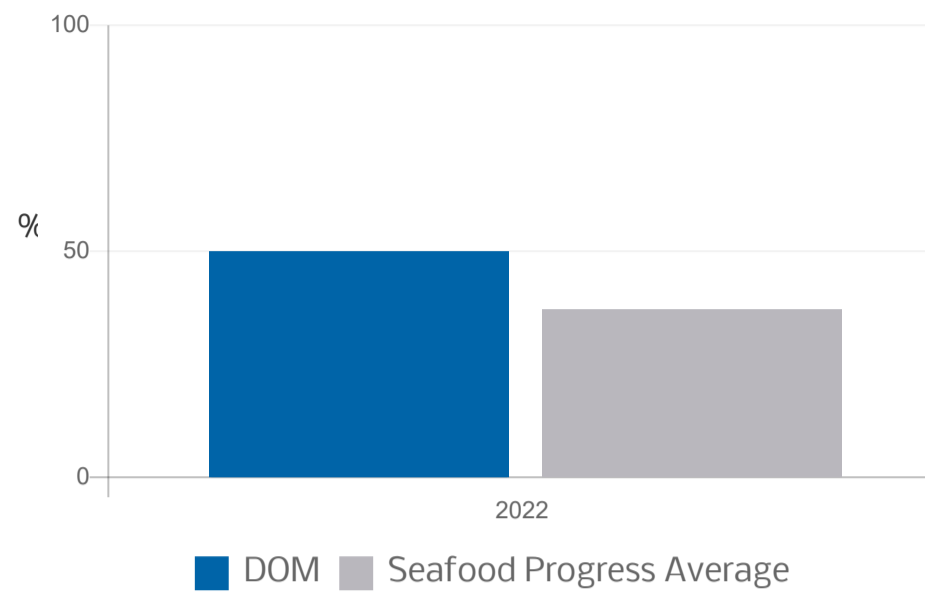


100% Grocery store labels all products with an ecolabel as appropriate.

50% Grocery store labels some products with an ecolabel as appropriate.

0% Grocery store does not label products with an ecolabel as appropriate (or no information available).

4.3 Scientific name, geographic origin and harvest method of the brand's products is publicly available.



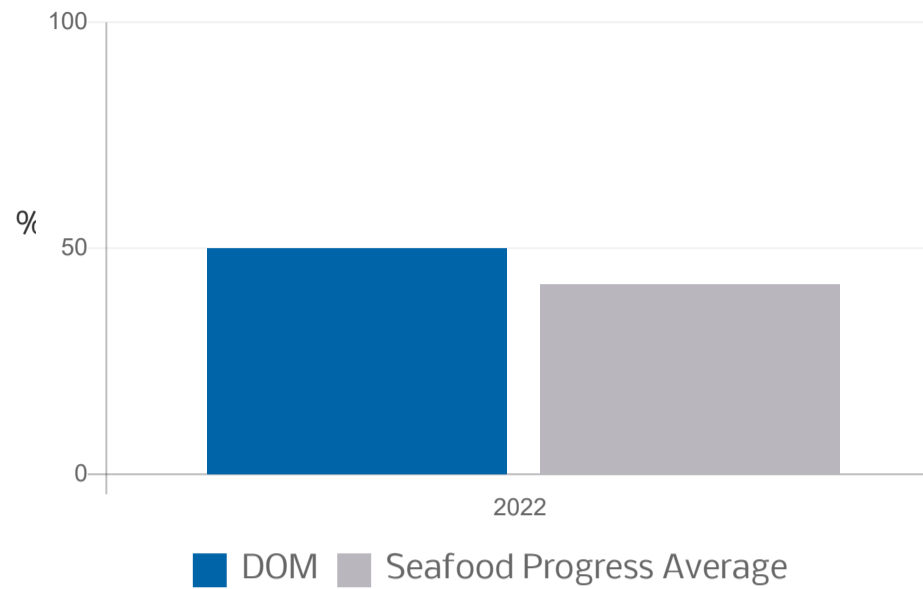
DOM publishes the scientific name, geographic origin and gear type of all its wild products through [its FishChoice profile](#) on an annual basis (personal communication, D. Porporo, 05/04/2022).

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- 100% All seafood products with region and gear type has been made available.
- 50% Some seafood products with region and gear type has been made available.
- 0% No list of products procured with region and gear type has been made available.

4.4 The brand publicly reports how much of its seafood meets its sustainability criteria by volume or value of sales.



DOM reported how much of its seafood sold met its sustainability commitment for the first time through its Seafood Progress profile in 2022.

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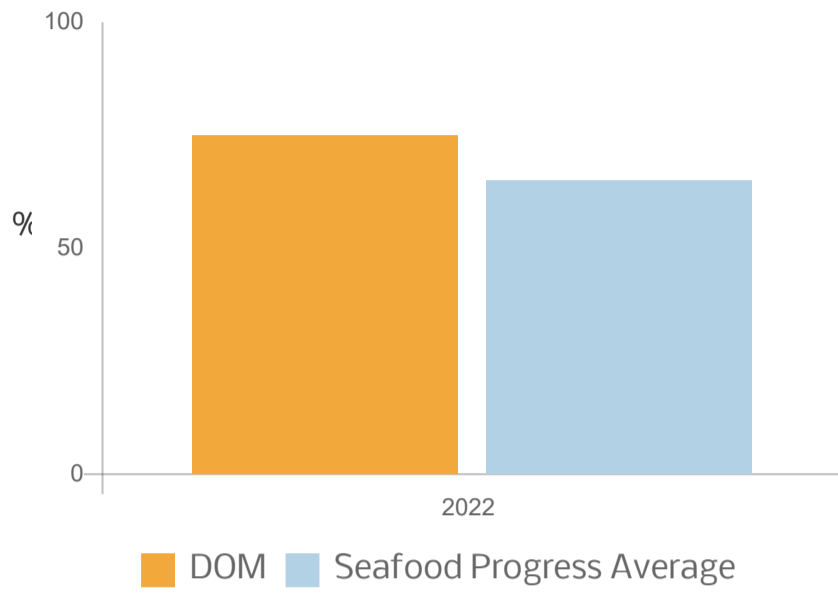


100% Retailer regularly reports publicly how much of its seafood sold meets its commitment by volume or value of sales every year.

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0% No public information on how the grocery store is doing to meet its commitment.

STEP 5: EDUCATION

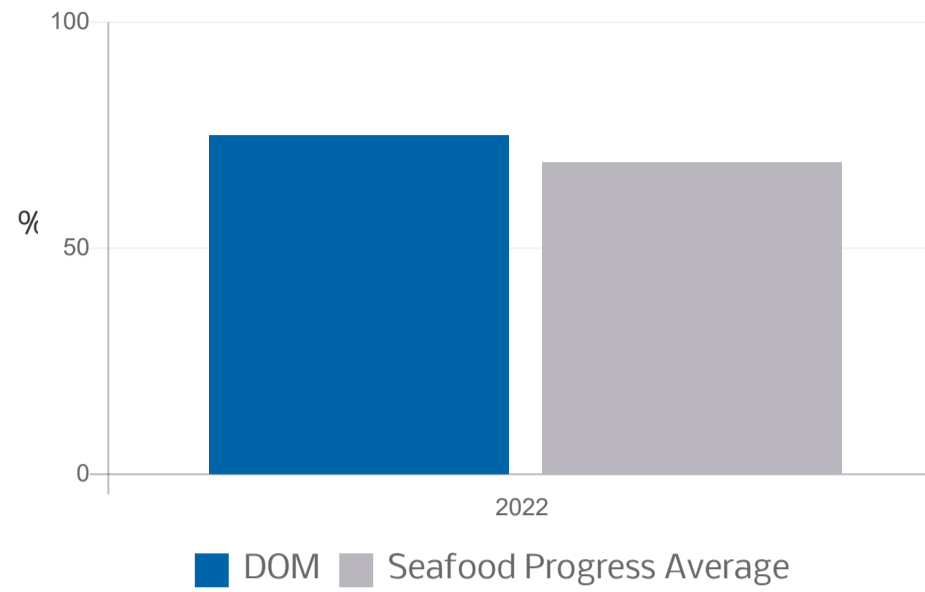


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Education

Does the brand educate key stakeholders about the importance of its commitment to sustainable seafood?

5.1 There is a description of the brand's commitments to sustainable and socially responsible seafood on its website.



There is a comprehensive description of DOM's environmental sourcing policy on its website and no description of a commitment to socially responsible seafood.

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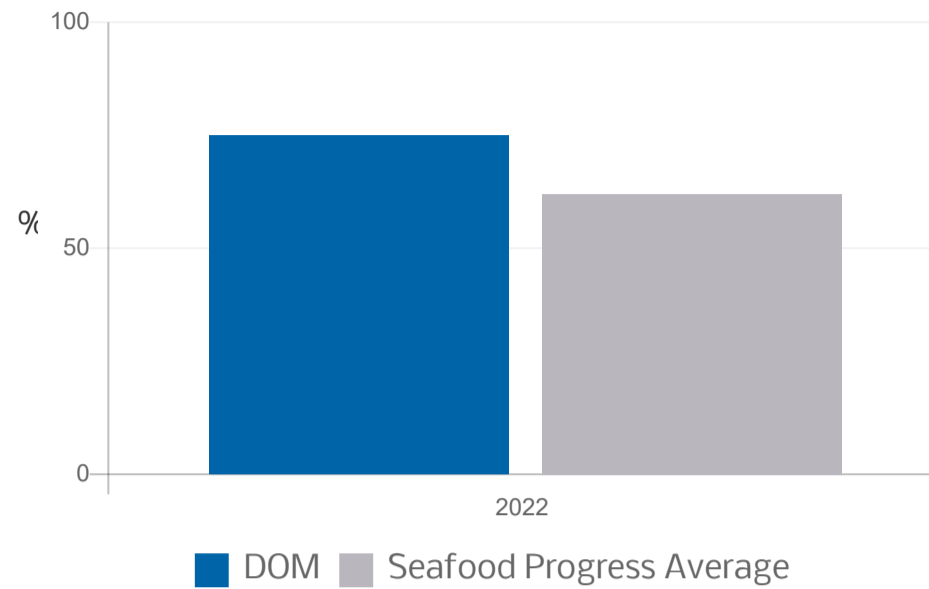
100% Training programs regularly conducted for all seafood staff.

75% Training programs conducted for all seafood staff, but only once.

50% Training programs sometimes conducted or for only some seafood staff.

0% Training programs not conducted for seafood staff (or no information available).

5.2 The brand has taken actions to ensure its suppliers are aware of its sustainable seafood commitment or policy.



Through its supplier approval process, DOM shares its sustainability commitment with its suppliers. However, DOM does not engage with suppliers beyond verifying their documentation on an annual basis or provide any type of direct support to help bring suppliers in line with its commitment (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

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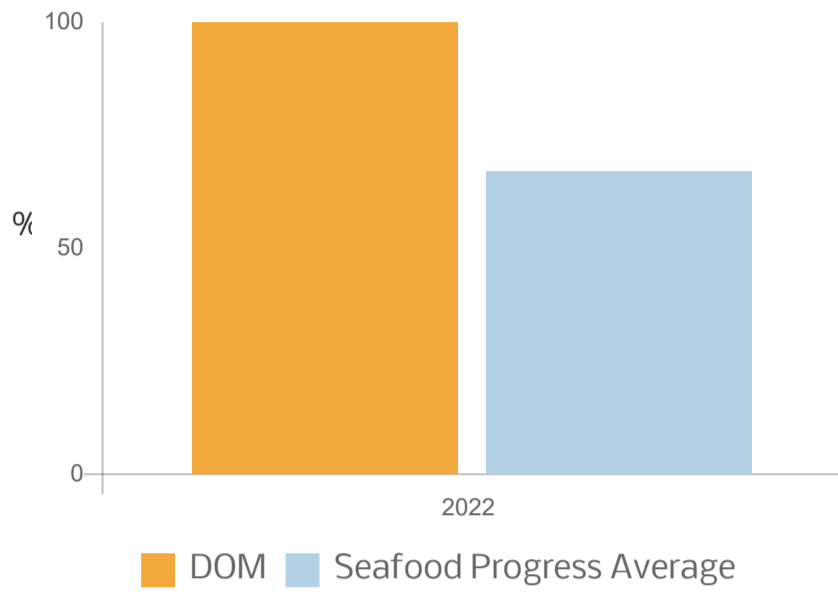


100% There is a comprehensive description of the grocery store's commitments to sustainable and socially responsible seafood in store.

50% There is some description of the grocery store's commitment to sustainable seafood and/or socially responsible seafood in store.

0% There is no description of the grocery store's commitments to sustainable and socially responsible seafood in store.

STEP 6: TAKING INITIATIVE

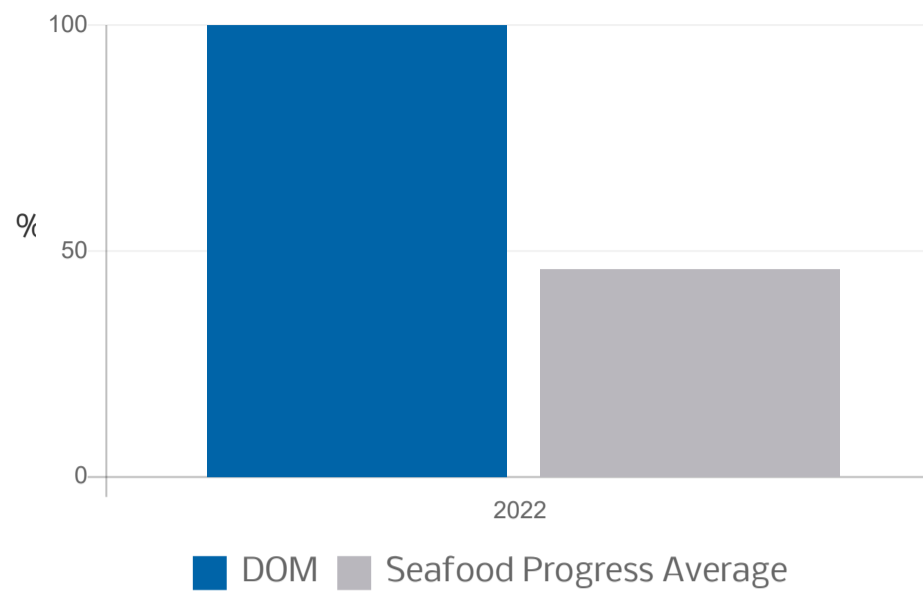


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Taking Initiative

Does the brand support improvements of any 'Priority Seafood' products?

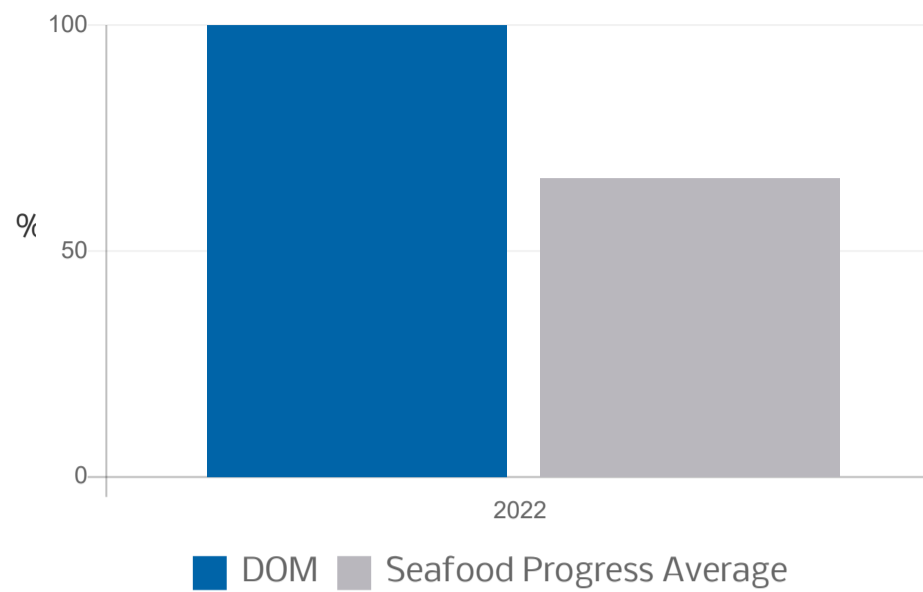
6.1 Farmed Atlantic salmon (either Canadian produced or imported)



Within the past year, DOM has conducted outreach to the CFIA to advocate for policy improvements. DOM also preferentially procures ASC certified salmon and is committed to not selling any genetically engineered or modified farmed salmon (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

- ✘ Only sells farmed salmon products that meet the highest bars for sustainability, i.e. are produced in a closed containment facility, certified by ASC, Recommended by Ocean Wise and/or rated Best Choice by Seafood Watch (100 pts).
- ✔ Conducts outreach to policymakers and/or certifying bodies to advocate for salmon farming management to be more environmentally sustainable (25 pts).
- ✔ Works with suppliers or producers directly to improve salmon farming practices and/or to support their transition from open-net systems to closed containment systems (25 pts).
- ✔ Preferentially procures farmed salmon from closed containment producers and sources that are ASC certified, Recommended by Ocean Wise or rated Best Choice by Seafood Watch (25 pts).
- ✔ Does not sell genetically engineered (GE) or genetically modified (GM) farmed salmon (25 pts).

6.4 Other seafood products.



All of DOM's wild products are currently MSC certified. Additionally, DOM works with its Norwegian suppliers to support improvements to fishmeal ingredients that are used on their farms (personal communication, D. Porporo, 15/02/2022).

- ✓ Only sells versions of this product that meet the highest bars for sustainability, i.e. are certified by MSC/ASC, Recommended by Ocean Wise and/or rated Best Choice by Seafood Watch (100 pts).
- ✗ Conducts outreach to policymakers and/or certifying bodies to advocate for harvest or farming method and management to be more environmentally sustainable (20 pts).
- ✗ Collaborates with other companies pre-competitively to improve fishing or aquaculture practices (20 pts).
- ✗ Works with suppliers or producers directly to improve fishing or farming practices (20 pts).
- ✗ Preferentially sources from more sustainable sources that are MSC/ASC certified, Recommended by Ocean Wise or Best Choice by Seafood Watch (20 pts).
- ✗ Prioritizes sourcing products with high levels of social responsibility and traceability (20 pts).

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