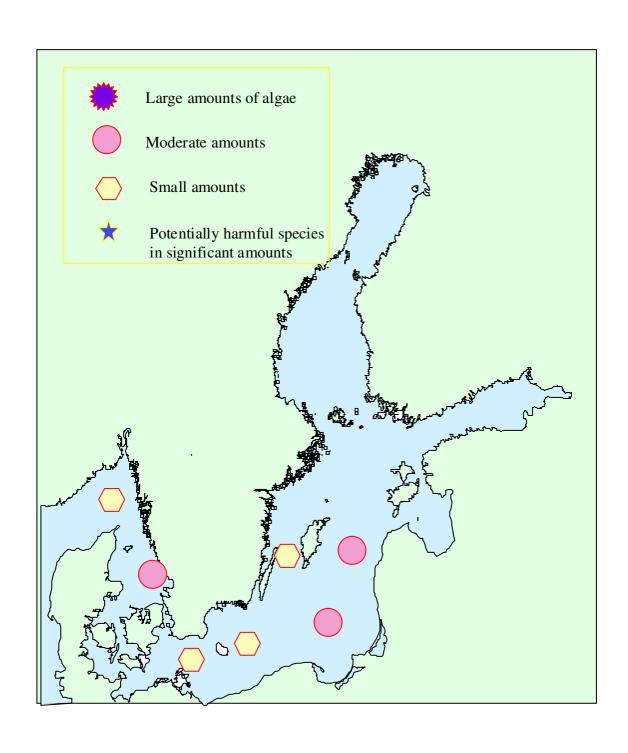




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# **OVERVIEW**

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### **DETAILS**

\* POTENTIALLY HARMFUL SPECIES

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**SKAGERRAK** 

#### Station Å17, 17 June

Poor plankton flora. Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters 1-2 mg/m³. Several species of diatoms, with a dominance of Cerataulina pelagica and Dactyliosolen fragilissimus. Among dinoflagellates Ceratians most common. Small amounts of Dinophysis acuminata\*, D. norvegica\* and Chrysochromulina spp.\*.

Top 5 Cerataulina pelagica Dactyliosolen fragilissimus Chrysochromulina sp.\* Ceratium tripos Ceratium longipes

#### **KATTEGAT**

#### Station Anholt E, 13 June

Rich species composition, but relatively low abundances. Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters about 1-3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Cerataulina pelagica and Proboscia alata dominated among diatoms. Ceratians common. Small dinoflagellates, eg. Scrippsiella spp. and Gymnodinium simplex present. Small amounts of Dinophysis acuminata\*, D. norvegica\* and Chrysochromulina spp.\*.

Top 5 Cerataulina pelagica Dactyliosolen fragilissimus Chrysochromulina sp.\* Scrippsiella spp. Ceratium tripos

#### Station Anholt E, 16 June

Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters 2-3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Similar species composition as three days earlier, but now with a dominance of Dactyliosolen fragilissimus and Proboscia alata.

Top 5
Dactyliosolen fragilissimus
Proboscia alata
Cerataulina pelagica
Chrysochromulina sp.\*
Scrippsiella spp.

#### **BALTIC SEA**

#### Arkona basin. Station BY2, 13 June

Poor plankton flora. Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters 1.5-2.5 mg/m³. Aphanizomenon sp. together with Planktonema lauterbornii dominated. A few filaments of Nodularia spumigena\*. Small amounts of Chaetoceros danicus.

Top 3 Aphanizomenon sp. Planktonema lauterbornii Chaetoceros danicus

#### Bornholm basin. Station BY5, 14 June

Relatively poor plankton flora. Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters 2-3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Similar to Arkona basin, with the addition of small amounts of Dinophysis acuminata\*, D. norvegica\* and Thalassiosira baltica.

Top 5 Aphanizomenon sp. Planktonema lauterbornii Chaetoceros danicus Dinophysis acuminata Dinophysis norvegica

### Southeast Baltic, Station BCS III 10, 14 June

Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters 2-3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Aphanizomenon sp. and Nodularia spumigena relatively common. Among dinoflagellates Scrippsiella hangoei, Dinophysis acuminata\*, D. norvegica\*, Phalachroma rotundatum\* and Peridiniella catenata were the most abundant. A few diatoms present; Actinocyclus octonarius and Chaetoceros danicus.

Top 5
Aphanizomenon sp.
Scrippsiella hangoei
Nodularia spumigena\*
Dinophysis acuminata\*
Dinophysis noevegica\*

#### Eastern Gotland basin, Station BY15, 14 June

Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters about 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Aphanizomenon sp. and Nodularia spumigena relatively common. Dinophysis acuminata\* and D. norvegica\* were present in much higher numbers here. Also Scrippsiella hangoei relatively common. Actinocyclus octonarius, Chaetoceros danicus and Thalassiosira sp. present.

Top 5
Dinophysis acuminata\*
Dinophysis norvegica\*
Scrippsiella hangoei
Aphanizomenon sp.
Nodularia spumigena\*

#### Western Gotland basin, Station BY38, 15 June

Poor plankton flora. Chlorophyll in the upper 10 meters about 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Aphanizomenon sp. and Nodularia spumigena present in small amounts. Dinophysis acuminata\* common and D. norvegica\* and Scrippsiella hangoei also present. Few specimens of Chaetoceros danicus present.

Top 5
Aphanizomenon sp.
Dinophysis acuminata\*
Nodularia spumigena\*
Scrippsiella hangoei
Dinophysis norvegica\*

This report is based on qualitative samples between 0 and 10 m. Chlorophyll values are rough estimates based on profiles of fluorescence.

#### **FORECAST**

Phytoplankton composition is changing into summer situation. Continous sunny and calm weather will stimulate the development of blooms in both the Skagerrak-Kattegat area and the Baltic proper.