

# Thousands of starfish found dead on beach

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Britain's Environment Agency says thousands of dead starfish were found washed up on a beach at Pegwell Bay.

The starfish covered hundreds of yards of sand on the beach in Kent, The Independent reported Wednesday.

Environment Agency spokesman Ian Humphries said it was likely the starfish had entered shallow waters in search of mussels.

"As they get hungry they get more desperate ... they take risks and come into shallow water where they're more vulnerable." he told the British newspaper.

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