



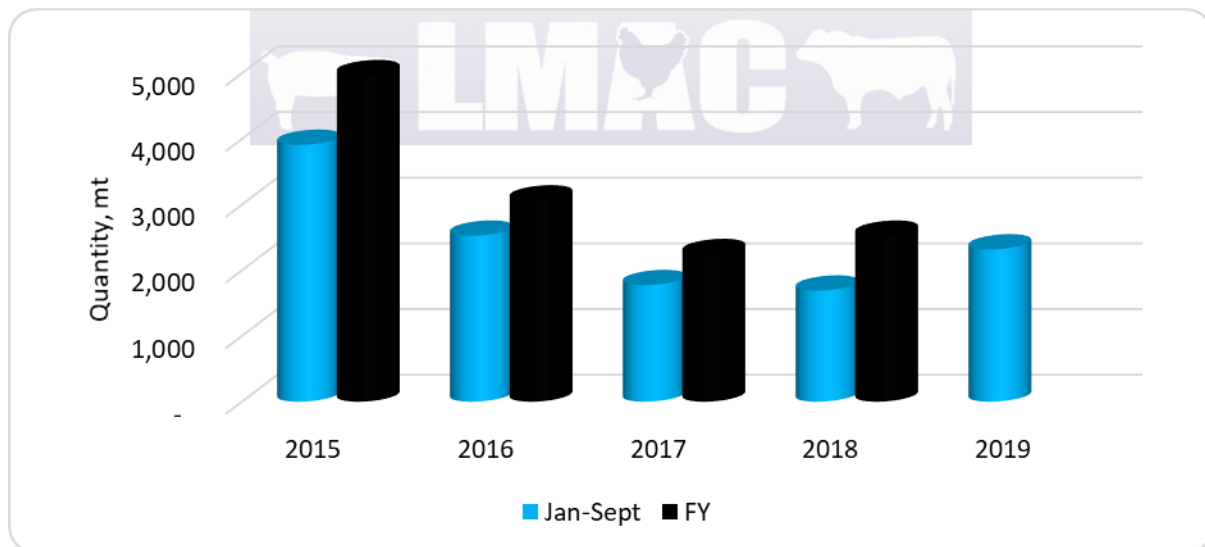
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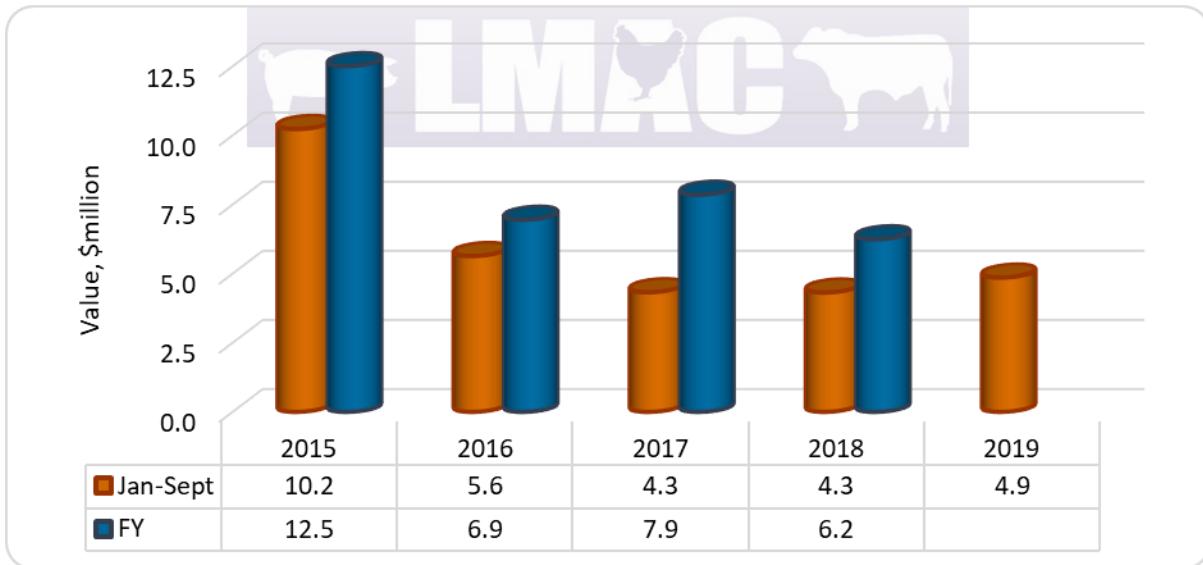
Market Watch Third Quarter 2019

Aquaculture Sector

Exports of fish between January and September 2019 were 2,318mt, valued at \$4.9m, an increase of 37% and 12% in quantity and value, respectively when compared to the same period in 2018. Exports were dominated by fresh water frozen fish and frozen tilapia that made up 47% and 52%, respectively of total exports. Consumer incomes have not kept pace with increasing costs of fish production, and as a result, fish producers are increasingly exploring regional and international markets to compensate for the local drop in demand.



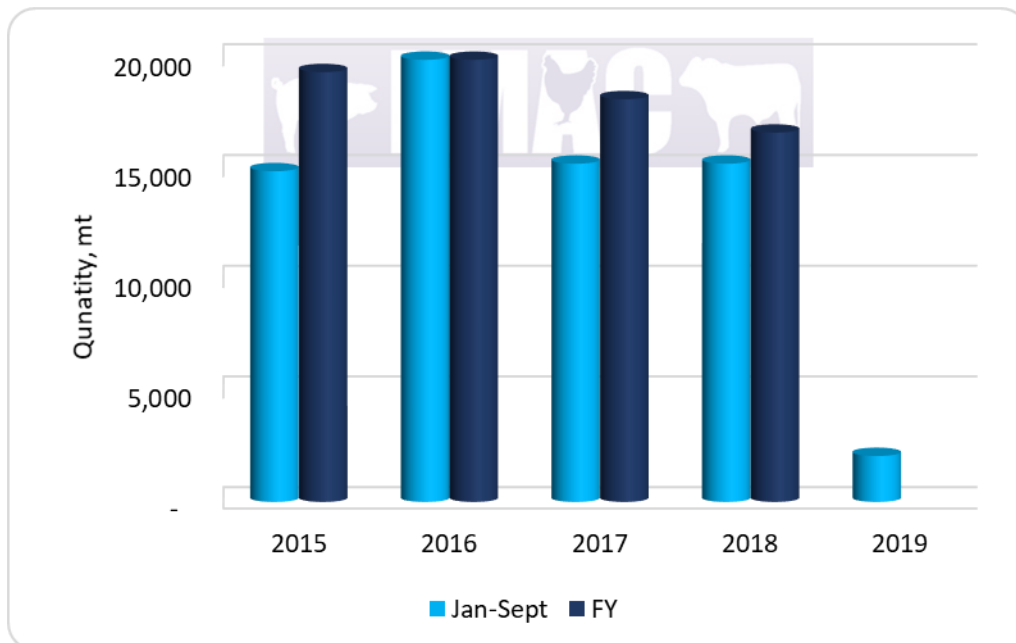
Exports of Fish (mt), 2015 – 2019



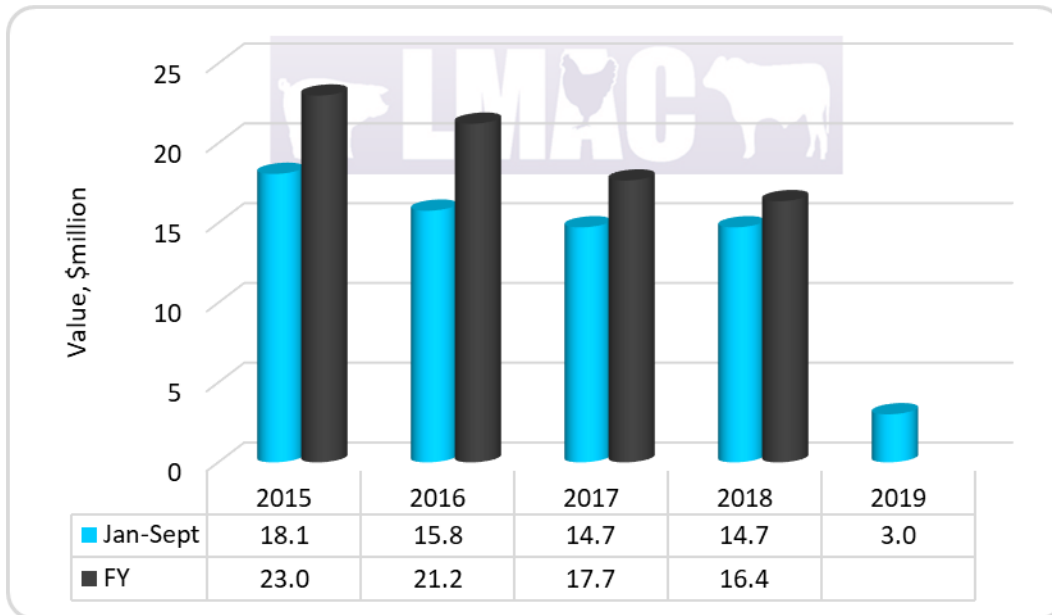
Value of Exports of Fish (USD), 2015 – 2018

Imports

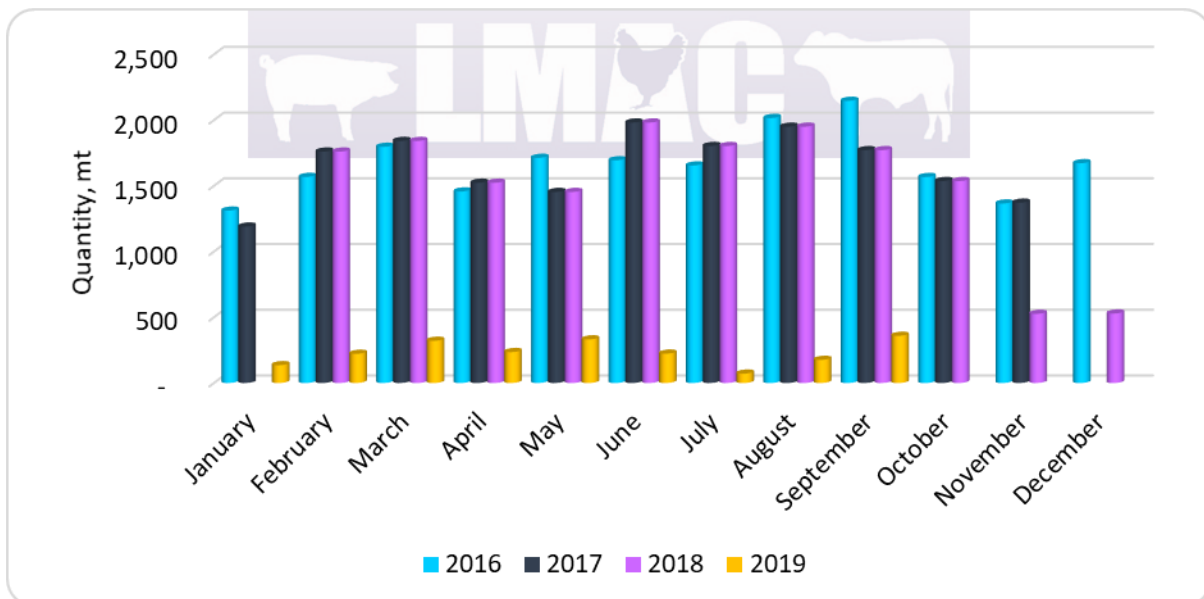
Imports of fish from January to September 2019 were 2,075mt, a decline of 86% over the same period in 2018 and the value declined by 80% from USD 14.7 million to 3.0 million. Foreign currency shortages appear to have had a severe negative impact upon the import of fish.



Imports of Fish (mt), 2015 – 2019

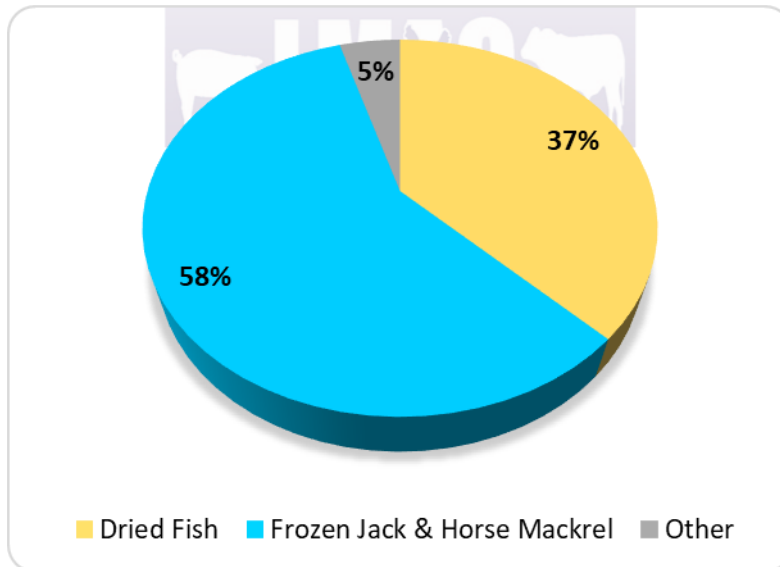


Value of Fish Imports (USD), 2015 – 2019

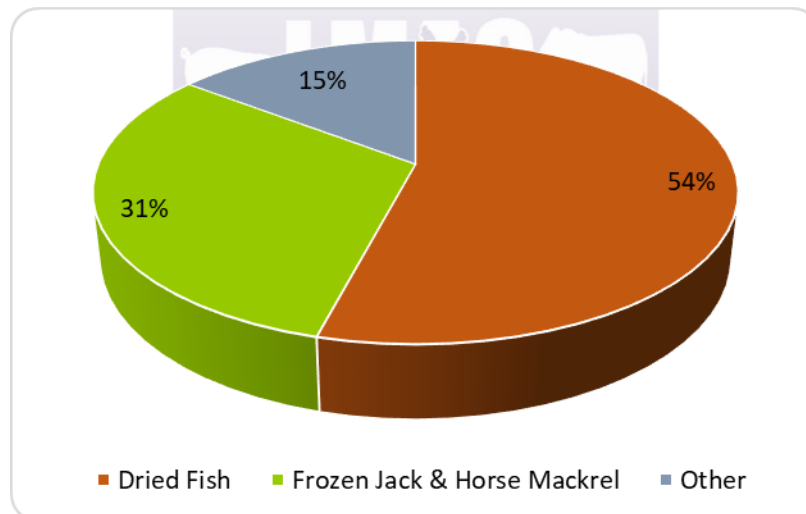


Monthly Fish Imports (mt), 2016 – 2019

Fish imports to September 2019 were dominated by frozen Jack and Horse Mackerel, both in quantity (58%) and value (54%) at an average price of \$782/mt. Dried freshwater fish were also imported at \$2,098/mt.



Quantity Imported Fish (mt), January – September 2019



Value of Imported Fish (USD), January – September 2019