



**Livestock and Meat Advisory Council**

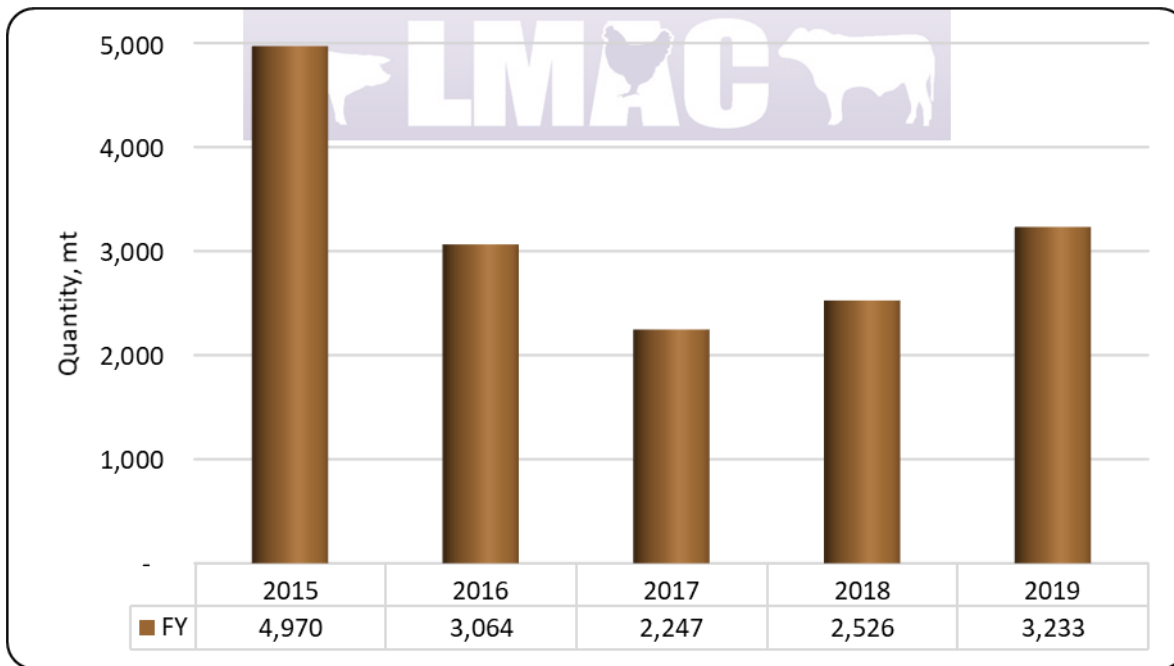
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**Market Watch: 2019**

**Aquaculture Sector**

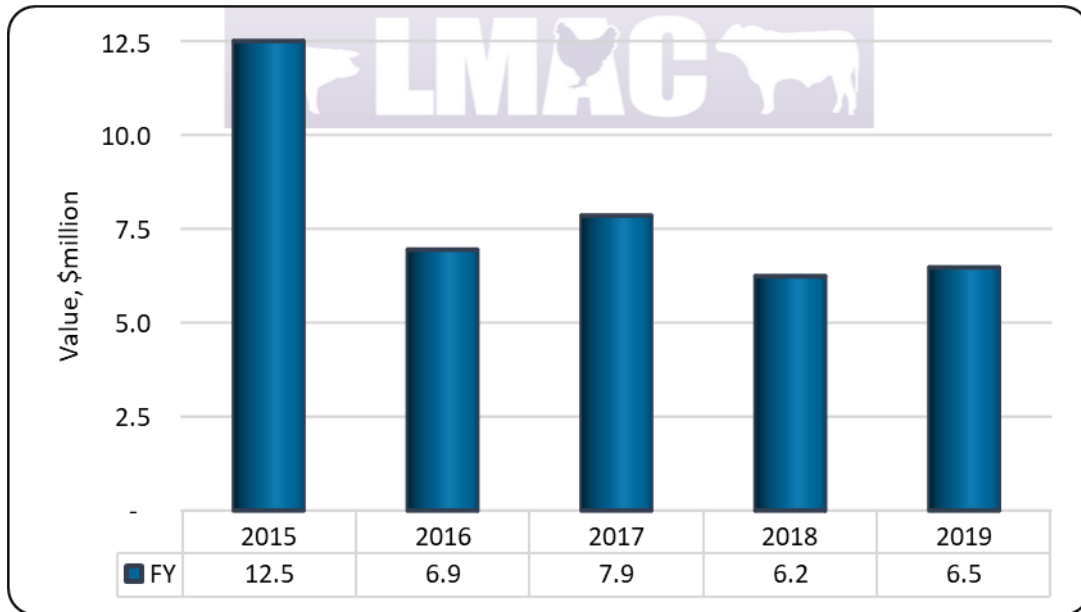
Exports of fish in 2019 was 3,233mt, valued at USD 6.5m which represents an increase of 28 and 12% in quantity and value, respectively when compared to 2018.

The exports were dominated by frozen fresh water fish and frozen tilapia that made up 51% and 47% respectively of the quantity, and 44 and 46%, respectively of the value. There have been renewed efforts by fish producers to increase exports to compensate for an increasingly volatile domestic market susceptible to inflationary pressures.



**Exports of Fish (mt), 2015 – 2019**

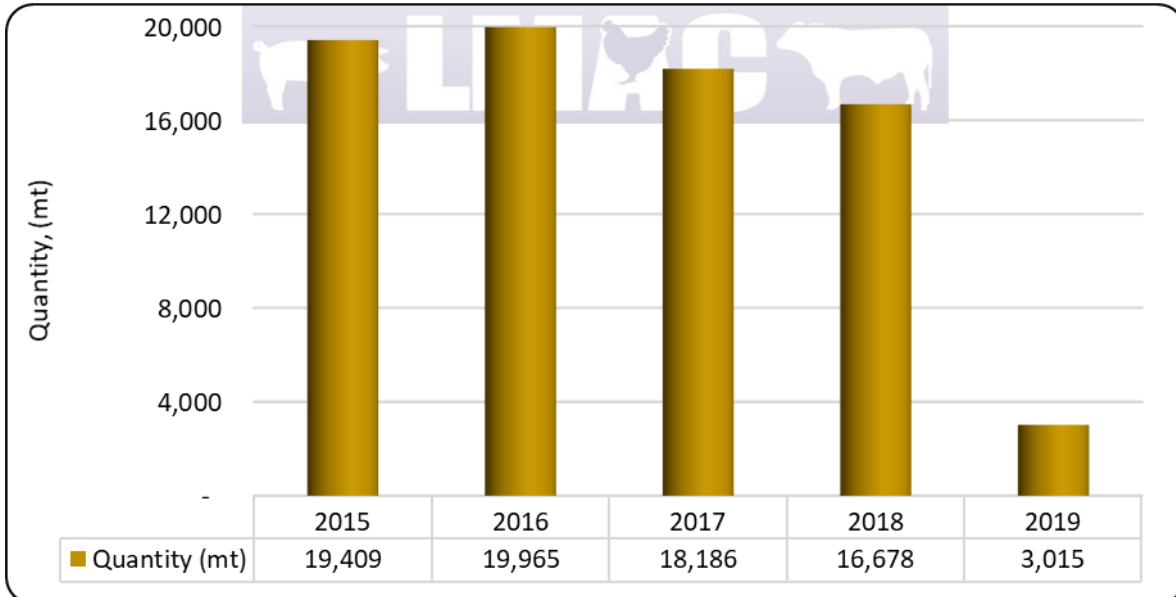




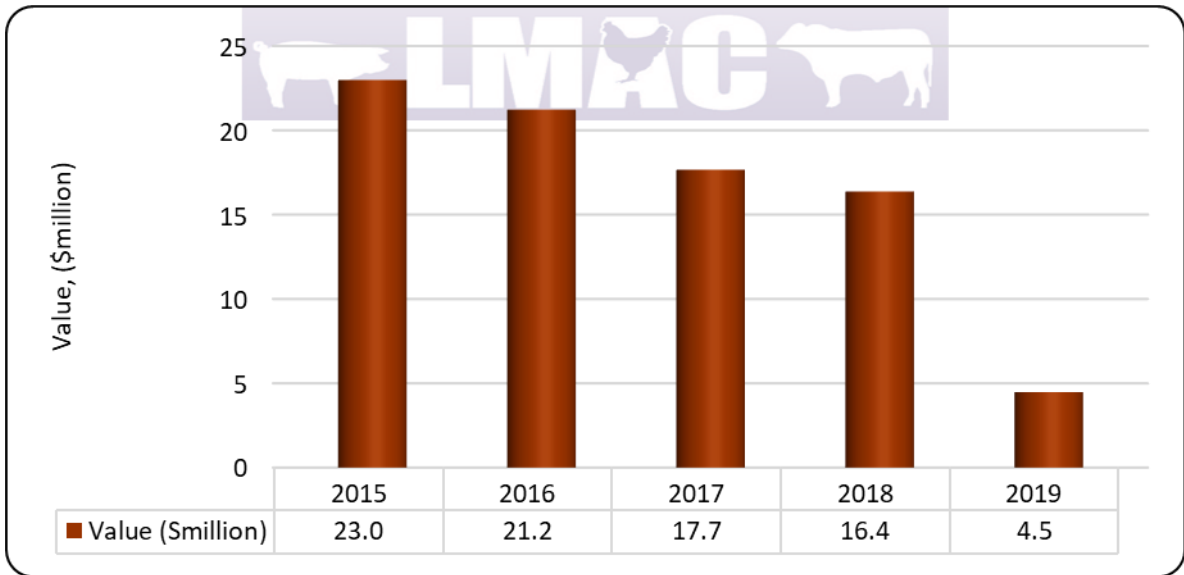
**Exports of Fish (USD), 2015 – 2019**

**Imports**

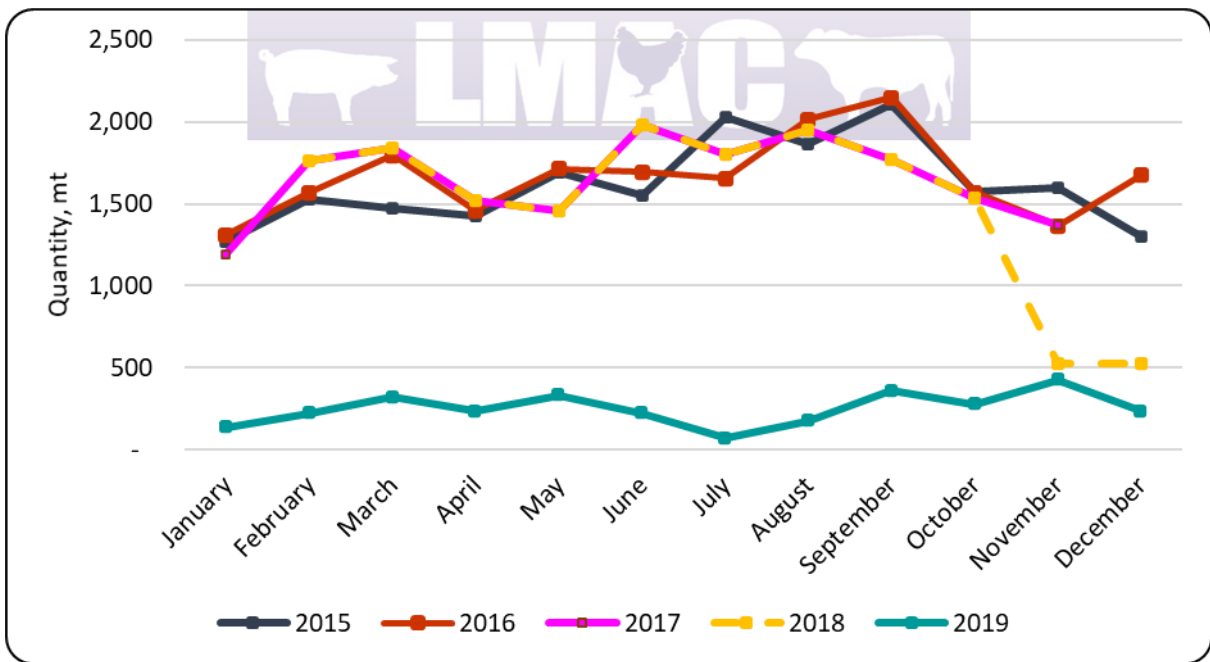
Imports of fish in 2019 were 3,015mt, a decline of 82% over 2018. In monetary terms, the decline was 72% from USD 16.4 million to USD 4.5 million. Foreign currency shortages and declining purchasing power appear to have had a severe negative impact upon fish imports.



**Annual Fish Imports (mt), 2015 – 2019**

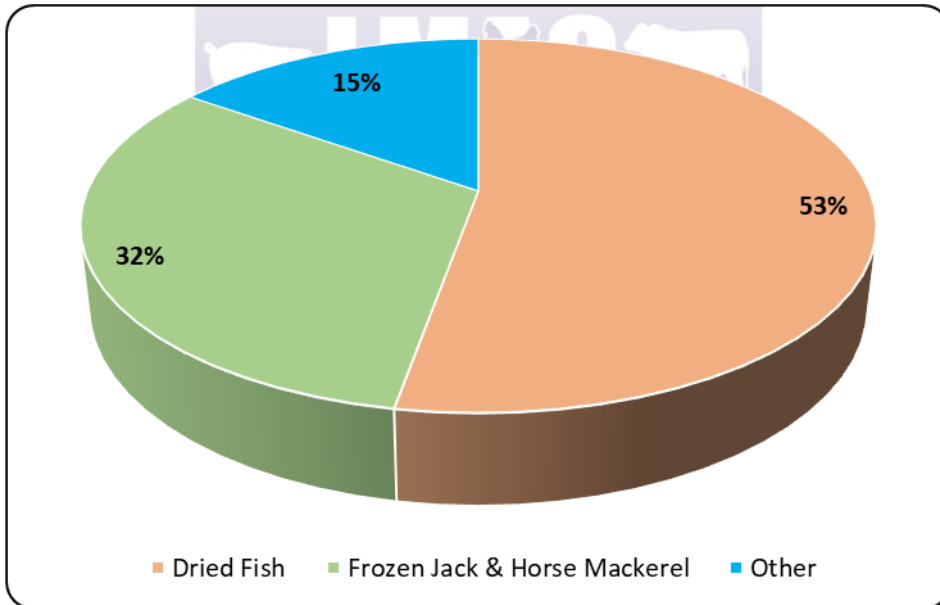


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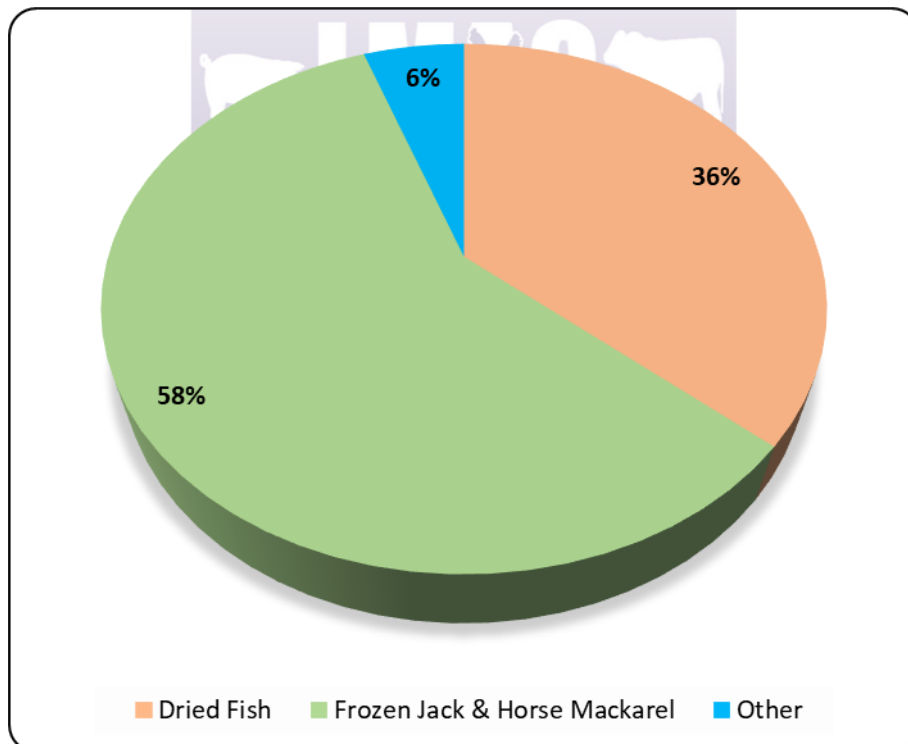


**Monthly Fish Imports mt, 2015 – 2019**

In 2019, fish imports were dominated (53%) by dried fish in value at an average price of USD 2,165/mt, while in quantity, imports were dominated (58%) by frozen Jack and Horse Mackerel at an average price of USD 835/mt.



**Value of Imported Fish, USD, 2019**



**Quantity of Imported Fish, mt, 2019**