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## Market Watch Report: Second Quarter June 2020

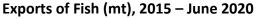
## **Aquaculture Sector**

Exports of fish for the first six months of 2020 was 1,134mt, valued at USD 2.3m, representing an increase of 29% and 33% in quantity and value, respectively when compared to the same period in 2019.

Exports were dominated by frozen freshwater fish and frozen tilapia that made up 75% and 23% respectively of total exports and 63% and 21% of the value, respectively. In the same period in 2019, the quantity of frozen freshwater fish and frozen tilapia exported was 51% and 48%, respectively of total exports, and 43% and 45% in value, respectively.

Although fish exporters have been increasing their export initiatives, fish exports collapsed in April and have yet to recover to their pre-lockdown levels. Exports for the first quarter averaged 310mt/month and only 68mt/month in the second quarter.

















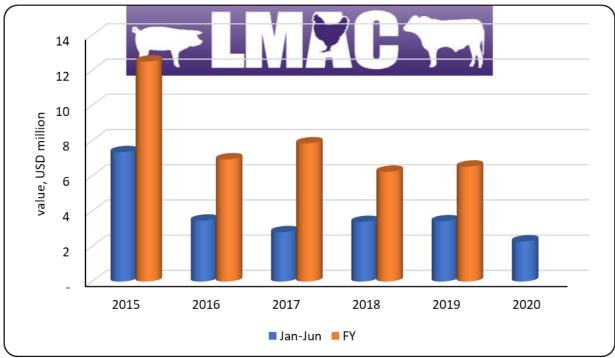




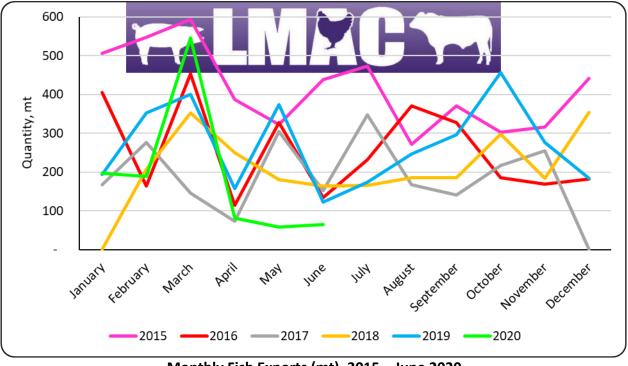






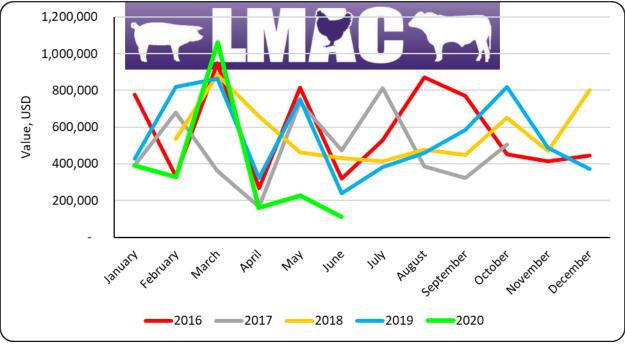


Exports of Fish (USD), 2015 – June 2020



Monthly Fish Exports (mt), 2015 – June 2020

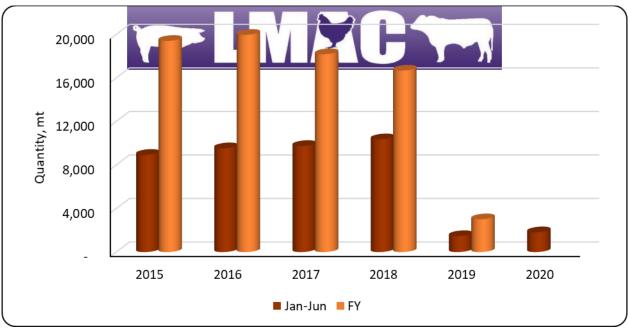
In June, exports valued at USD 113,489 were traded, a decline of 53% over the same month in 2019. The highest value of exports of USD 1.1 million occurred in April.



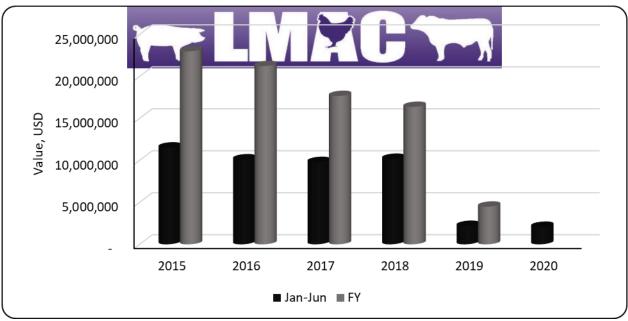
Monthly Exports of Fish (USD), 2016 – 2020

## Imports

Imports of fish for the first six months of 2020 were 1,821mt, an increase of 27% over the same period in 2019. However, a decline of 5% in value from USD 2.19 million to 2.08 million was noted. Since November 2018, imports have collapsed as illustrated in the graphs below.

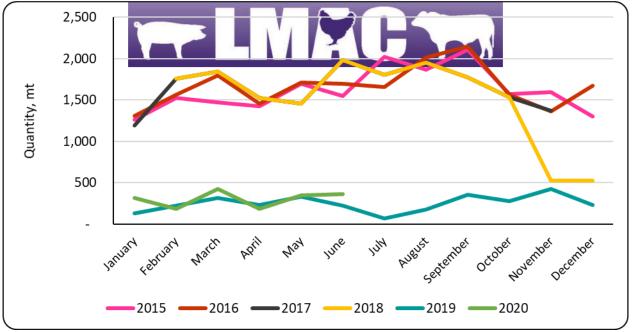


Annual Fish Imports (mt), 2015 – June 2020



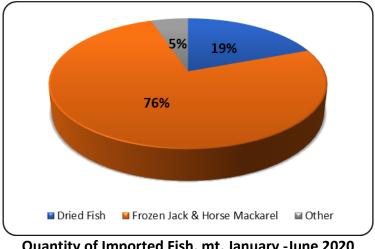
Annual Fish Imports (USD), 2015 – June 2020

The graph below notes the monthly imports and shows the collapse in imports from November 2018.

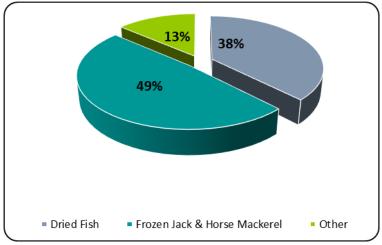


Monthly Fish Imports (mt), 2015 – June 2020

Fish imports were dominated by Frozen Jack and Horse Mackerel, both in quantity (76%) and value (49%) at an average price of \$736/mt. Dried freshwater fish were also imported at \$2,231/mt.



Quantity of Imported Fish, mt, January -June 2020



Value of Imported Fish, USD, January – June 2020