

FISHERIES DIVISION

FISHERIES INFORMATION QUARTERLY REPORT

SECOND QUARTER 2014

APR—JUN 2014



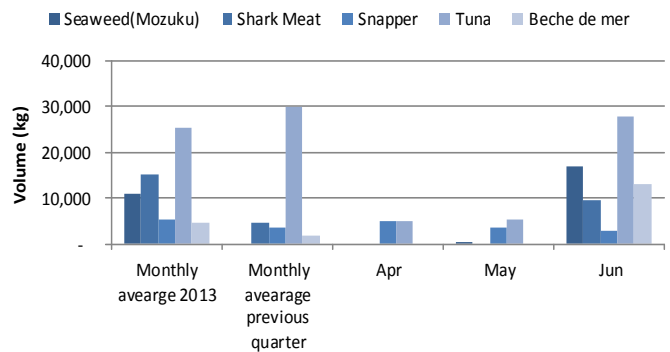
MARINE EXPORTS

The total quantity of marine products (not including aquarium products) exported in the second quarter of 2014 was 88,752kg. This is a 48% decrease from the quantity exported during the same period last year and a 27% decrease from that exported in the previous quarter.

The total FOB value of marine exports for the second quarter is TOP\$545,533. This is a 57% decrease in the FOB value of marine resources exported during the same period last year and a 38% decrease from value of that exported in the previous quarter.

The decline is due mainly to very weak exports in April and May where only snapper and tuna were exported. However, export started to pick up again in June and quantities of seaweed, shark meat and bech-der-mer were exported and associated with a significant increase in tuna exports.

Total amount of marine products exported, 2nd Quarter 2014



* FOB = Free On Board, describes a price which includes goods plus the services at the time of offloading from the vessel at first landing. This is a static value designated to each export product. The value is an historical estimate and may not represent the true present value.

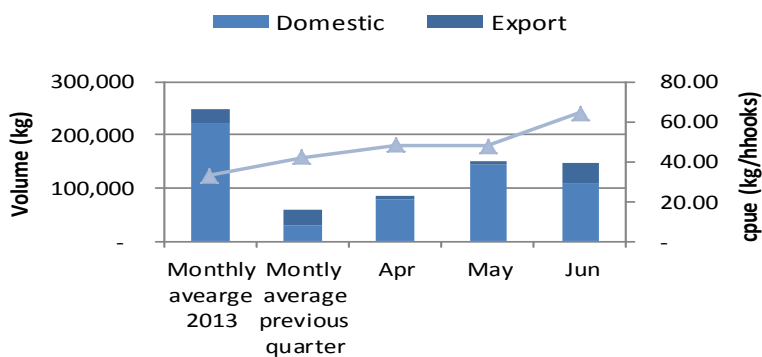
Source (above) : Fisheries Department Marine Export Product Database

TUNA FISHERY

The export quantity of tuna and associated by-catch for this quarter decreased by 39% as compared to the 2nd quarter 2013 and also a decrease by 47% as compared to the previous quarter. The local price for all tuna species for this quarter was between T\$10.00 – T\$16.00. The international prices for yellowfin continued to decrease and reached 890 yen/kg compared to close to 1,100 yen/kg in the previous quarter. The bigeye prices also continued on a downward trend from 1,200 yen/kg in the previous quarter and rests at 900 yen/kg at the end of this quarter.

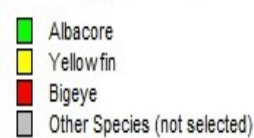
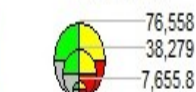
Tuna Catch Composition and Fishing Locations of Second Quarter

Tuna performance, 2nd Quarter 2014



Catch Effort 2014 by QRT

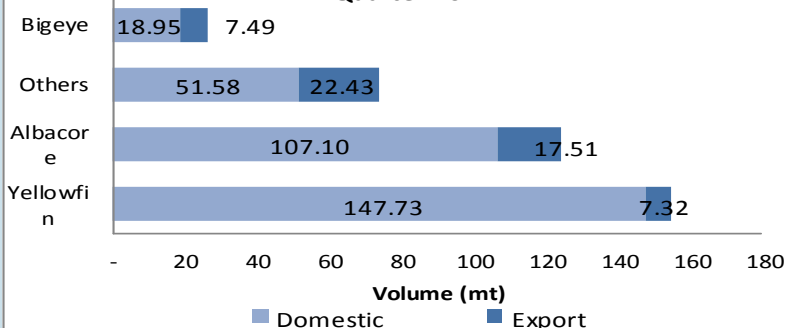
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Source (above) : Locations from VMS and catch data from Fisher Supplied Logsheets

Source (Left) : Fisheries Department Tuna Landing Database

Tuna catch and export species composition, 2nd Quarter 2014



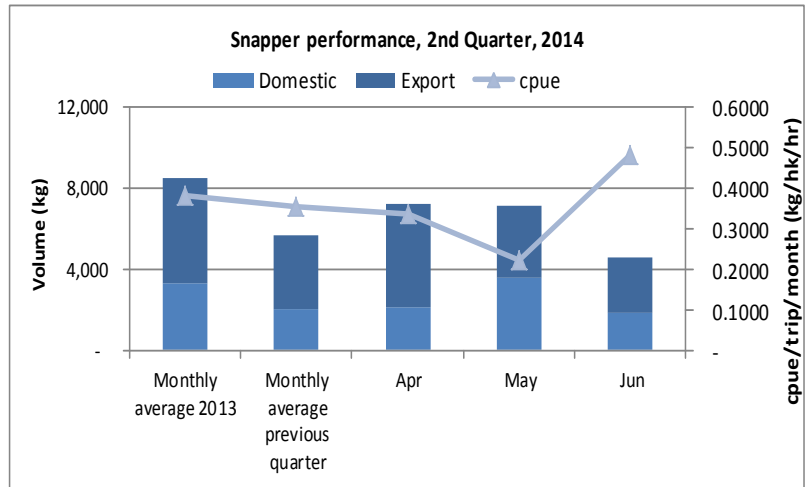
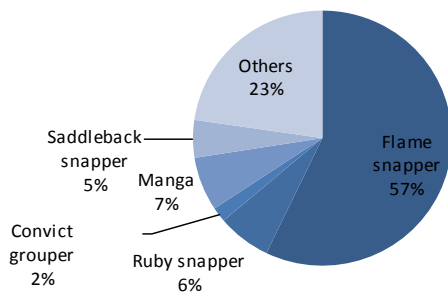
SNAPPER FISHERY

The total quantity of snapper and grouper exported in the second quarter 2014 was 11,367kg. This is 31% decreased in the quantity of snapper and grouper exported during the same period last year and a 5% increase compared to the previous quarter.

The total FOB values of snapper and grouper exported in the second quarter 2014 was TOP\$77,488. This is a 31% decrease from the values of snapper and grouper exported in the same period last year and a 5% increase from that exported in the previous quarter.

Snapper Catch Species Composition 1st Quarter

Snapper catch species composition, 2nd quarter, 2014

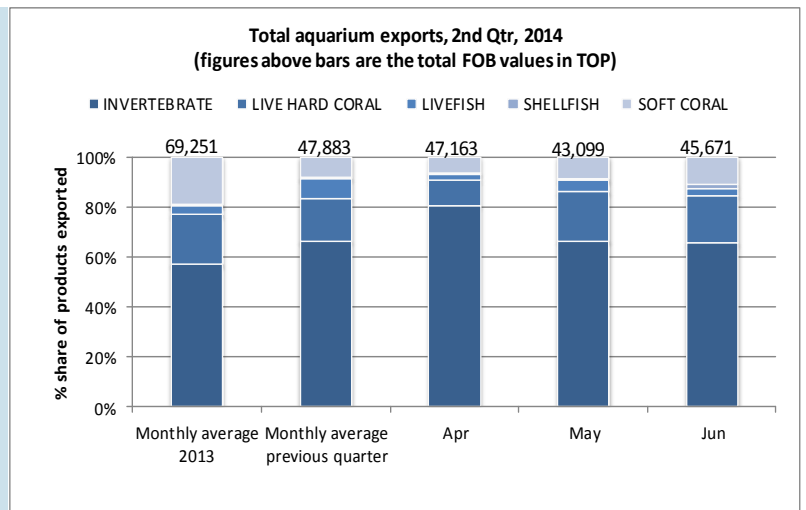


In this quarter, 9 snapper fishing vessels were licensed, however, only 5 were active. Total landed catch of 18,919kg was recorded in this quarter, a 41% decrease from catch landed in the same period in 2013, but a 12% increase from that landed in previous quarter. Fewer snapper boats were active this quarter compared to the same period last year, thus resulting in the declining catch. However, more fishing trips were made in this quarter compared to the previous quarter.

AQUARIUM FISHERY

The total quantity of aquarium products* exported in this quarter has increased by 31% compared to the second quarter 2013 and 18% increase from the previous quarter.

The total FOB value of the exported aquarium products in the second quarter of 2014 was TOP\$135,933. This is a 55% decrease from the value of products exported in the same quarter of 2013 and a 5% decrease from the value exported in the previous quarter. The increase in quantity yet decrease in value was due mainly to the ban on harvest and export of high value live rock, and increase in production of low value invertebrates.



* live rock excluded as it is measured in weight while other products are measured in pieces, however, value includes all aquarium products.

Source (above) : Fisheries Department Aquarium Export Database

SEAWEED (LIMU TANGA'U) FISHERY

A total of 16,806kg of seaweed were exported in this quarter and was valued at TOP\$8,404. This is an increase from just 6kg in the same period last year and from no seaweed exported in the previous quarter.