



# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES

## Fisheries Quarterly Report

Second Quarter 2017

April—June 2017



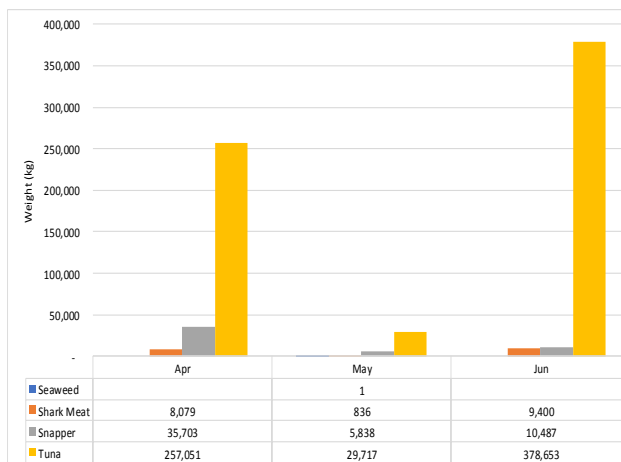
### MARINE EXPORTS

The total quantity of marine products (not including aquarium products) exported in the second quarter of 2017 was 736 metric tons. This is a 87% increase from the quantity exported during the same period last year and 14% increase from that exported in the previous quarter. The increase in total exports in this quarter is mainly due to a significant increase in the exports of tuna with 90% of the total exports. The exports of snapper, sea weed and shark meat contribute 10%.

The export of marine product was dominated by Japan with 39%, followed by Pagopago with 18%, Fiji and Thailand with both 17%, Honolulu with 5% of the total amount exported.

The total FOB value of marine exports in this quarter was TOP\$4.1 million compared to TOP\$2.27 million in the second quarter of 2016 which is a 81% increase in the FOB value of marine resources exported during the same period last year and 11% increase from that exported in the previous quarter.

MARINE EXPORTS DETAIL, 2nd QUARTER 2017



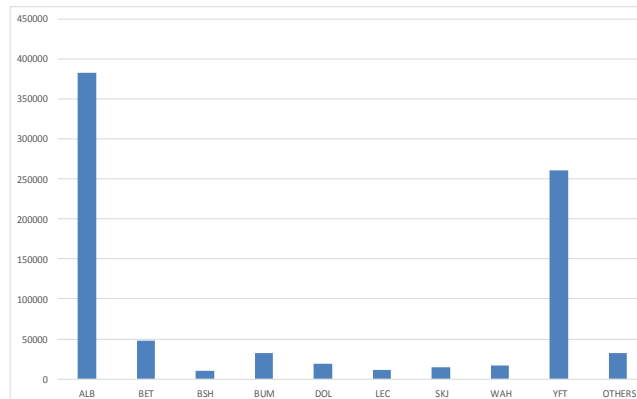
\* FOB = Free On Board, describes a price which includes goods plus the services at the time of offloading from the vessel at first landing. This is a static value designated to each export product. The value is an historical estimate and may not represent the true present value.

### TUNA FISHERY

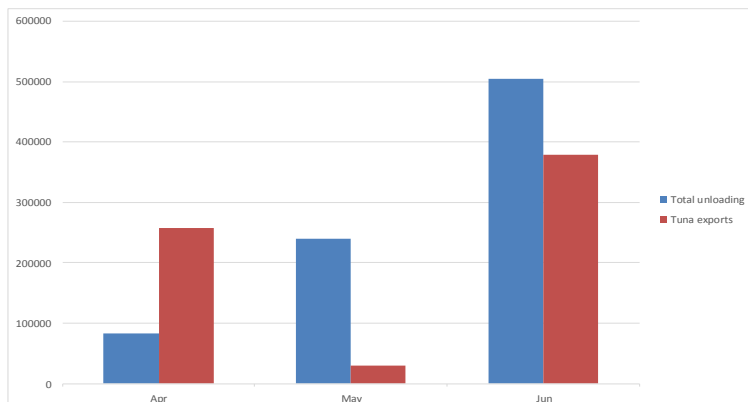
The export quantity of tuna and associated by-catch for this quarter was 665 metric tons compared to 360 metric tons in the second quarter last year and 596 metric tons in the previous quarter. This is a 95% increase from the first quarter last year and a 47% increase from the previous quarter. The total unloading catch recorded in this quarter was 826 metric tons which is a 14% decrease from the previous quarter and was dominated by Albacore with 46%, Yellowfin with 32%, Bigeye with 6% and others with 4%. The remaining 161mt after exports was recorded as local consumptions. The FOB value of tuna exported in this quarter was approximately valued at 3.7 million which increased by 9% from the FOB value in the previous quarter.

As shown in the graph below, the exports quantity of tuna in the month of April exceeded the quantity of Tuna recorded by 174 mt. This is because a large portion of total catch recorded in March was exported in the month of April.

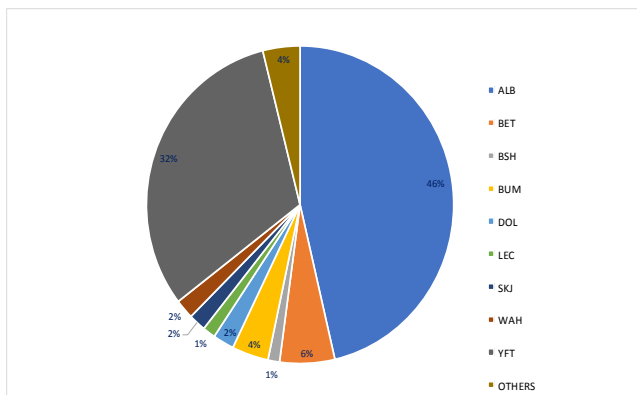
TUNA COMPOSITION BY SPECIES BY WEIGHT.



TUNA PERFORMANCE IN THIS QUARTER



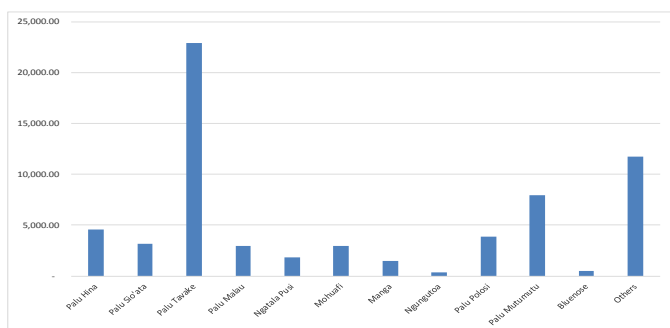
% OF UNLOADED TUNA BY SPECIES



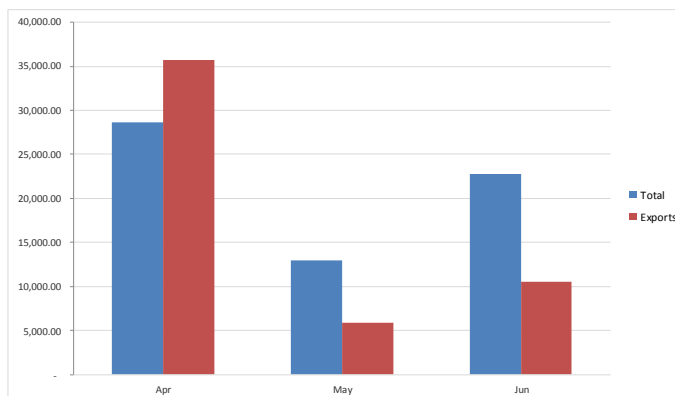
### SNAPPER FISHERY

The total quantity of snapper and grouper exported in the second quarter 2017 was 52 metric tons. This is 148% increased in the quantity of snapper and grouper exported during the same period last year and a 63% increase from the previous quarter. Total landed catch of 64 metric tons was recorded in this quarter which is increase by 106% compared to the second quarter of 2016 and 9% decrease from the previous quarter. The total catch was dominated by Palu Tavake with 36%, followed by snappers recorded as others with 18%, Palu Hina with 7% and Palu Siao'ata & Mohuafi with 5%.

The total FOB values of snapper and grouper exported in the second quarter 2017 was TOP\$0.31 million. This is a 121% increase from the values of snapper and grouper exported in the same period last year and a 22% decrease from that exported in the previous quarter.



SNAPPER PERFORMANCE IN THIS QUARTER



HOME CONSUMPTION EXPORTS SUMMARY TABLE

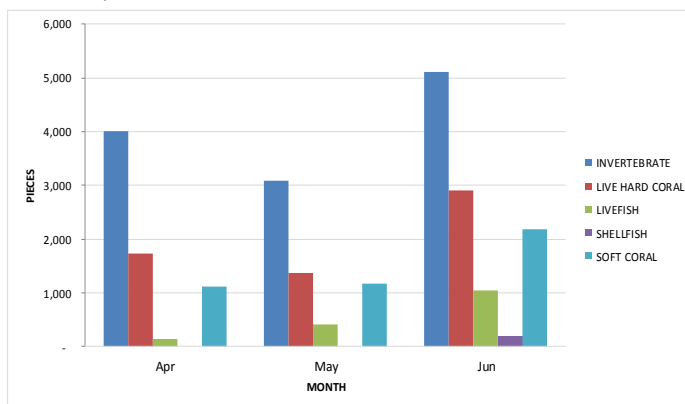
Country	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Hawaii		3,300	7	3307
New Zealand	184	75	168	427
Singapore		470		470
United States	20	36		56
<b>Total</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>3,881</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>4,260</b>

### AQUARIUM FISHERY

The total quantity of aquarium products exported in this quarter was 24,520 pieces compared to 42,962 pieces in the second quarter of 2016 which is a 75% decrease from the same period last year and 40% decrease from the previous quarter. The aquarium export was lead by invertebrates with 50% of the total quantity exported, followed by live hard coral with 25%, soft coral with 18%, live fish with 6% and Shellfish with 1%.

The total FOB value of the exported aquarium products in the second quarter of 2017 was \$TOP93,864 compared to \$TOP164,343 in the second quarter of 2016. This is 43% decrease from the value of product exported in the same quarter of 2016 and 21% decrease from the previous quarter.

AQUARIUM EXPORTS DETAIL BY PIECES BY MONTH



### DOMESTIC MARKET SURVEY

A total of 31 metric tons of marine resources was recorded in this quarter which is approximately valued at \$TOP218,252. The average price varied according to market demand for fish and production cost, but a change in fish market price is determined by quantity of marine products available in the market in a particular time. The local market was dominated by Vava'u market with 48% of the total marine product, Fava with 18%, Ha'apai with 16%. Total quantity recorded in this quarter was increase by 19% from the previous quarter.

MARKET SURVEY DETAIL BY WEGHT BY VALUE

