

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES

## FISHERIES QUARTERLY REPORT

FOURTH QUARTER 2022

October-December, 2022



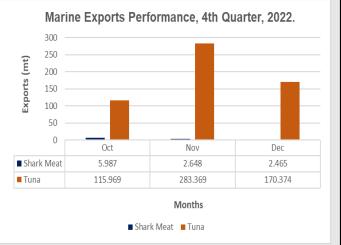
## MARINE EXPORTS

The total quantity of fish products exported this quarter was 580.812mt, of which, 11.1mt were shark meat products and 569.712mt were tuna products. Snapper fishery has yet to be exported, but were only sold locally. Exporting of Tuna dominates the overall exports in this quarter with 98.1% and only 1.9% of shark meat exported. The highest amount of export was in November, with a total of 286.017 metric tons, due to the attribute catches of tuna.

The total amount of fish products exported this quarter (not including aquarium) shows an increase of 67.8% from the amount of fish exported in the previous quarter (Q3, 2022). Also, there's an increase of 58.4% from that of the same quarter of the previous year (Q4, 2021).

The total FOB value of fish exports recorded in this quarter was TOP 3.25millions. This is an increase of 67.2% from the total FsOB value of fish products exported in the previous quarter and there's also an increase of 58.2% from that of the same quarter of the previous year.

Source: Fish exports database



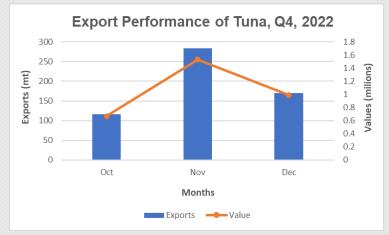
\*FOB = Free On Board, describes a price which includes goods plus the services at the time of offloading from the vessel at first landing This is a static value designated to each export product. The value is an historical estimate and may not represent the true present value.

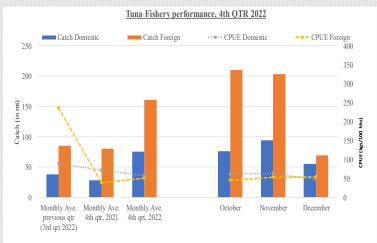
# **TUNA FISHERY**

The total quantity of tuna exported this quarter was 569.712 mt which is an increase from that of the previous quarter and from the same quarter of the previous year. The total FOB value for tuna exported in this quarter was approximately 3.19 millions which is a 67.3% greater than that of the previous quarter and as well 58.4% higher than that of quarter 4 of previous year.

The total tuna unloaded this quarter was 1794.9 metric tons which were caught from 52 trips. Foreign fleets continue to dominate in this fishery with very high catch landing of 1,296.9mt. Throughout this quarter, there was an increased catch in the months of October and December and then decline in December. However, Domestic vessel's catch for this quarter was 497.98mt where there was an increased catch landing from October to November and slightly decrease in December.

The average overall performance of the Tuna Fishery for this quarter reveals a higher average catch in comparison with that of previous quarter and quarter 4 of previous year (2021). However, the average catch and effort for foreign performance on this quarter is higher than the same quarter of previous year and lower than that of the previous quarter. Whereas for Domestic average catch and effort, it was less than those of the previous quarter as well as the same quarter 4 of previous year.





Source: Ministry of Fisheries Tuna exports database

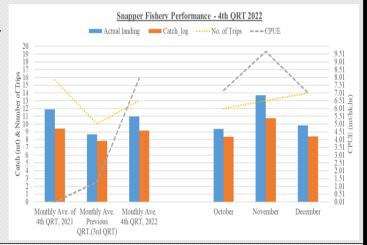
#### SNAPPER FISHERY

A total catch of 108.44 metric tons snappers were unloaded within this quarter, which gathered from a total of 39 trips. Detailing summaries of catch landing throughout quarter 4 shows an increasing from October to November and then downfall trend in December.

Catch and effort performance for this quarter shows that November has the highest CPUE in compared to lower CPUE in October and December. However, the total average catch landing this quarter was greater than that of the previous quarter and slightly lower than the catch landing on quarter 4 of previous year, with an average number of trips same as catch landing's trend.

In conclusion, the average catch and effort performance for snapper fishery this quarter has shown to be greater than both CPUE of the previous quarter and that of the same quarter of 2021.

Actual landing of this quarter is lower compared to both previous quarter and the same quarter of year 2021. However, the average catch efforts for the previous year and the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2021 were both lower than the average catch efforts for Quarter 3 2022.

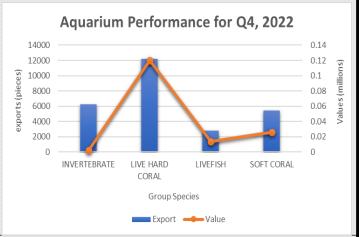


# **AQUARIUM FISHERY**

The total number of aquarium products exported in quarter 4 was 26652 pieces, whereas in the previous quarter, there was a total of 36088 pieces, which shows a decreased of 35%. Hence, in compared with the amount of aquarium products exported in the same quarter of the previous year was 31499 pieces, which is also a downfall of 18% from that of the same quarter of the previous year.

The exported aquarium products for this quarter was dominated by live hard coral, exporting 12174 pieces, followed by invertebrates with 6257 pieces, soft coral with 5426 pieces and the least exported aquarium product in this quarter was live fish, exporting only 2795 pieces.

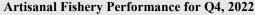
The total FOB value of the exported aquarium products in this quarter was approximately TOP 0.16 millions. The total value for aquarium product on previous quarter were 0.22 millions which shows a decrease of 36.3% and 6.2% declined from that of the same quarter of the previous year, which was approximately 0.17 million.

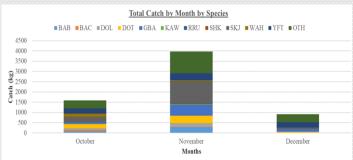


#### ARTISANAL FISHERY

The total quantity of tuna artisanal fishery recorded in this quarter was 6.47 metric tons which were caught from 87trips, collected from 7 different sites. The highest catch landing was recorder in November, which shows an increasing trend from October to November and then decline from November to December.

Detailing summaries of the artisanal fishery shows that other species (OTH) has the highest with a total of 1862.5kg, second to it was the Skipjack (SKJ) with a total of 1448.8kg, then Yellowfin Tuna (YFT) being third with 831.8kg, Barracuda with a total of 735.5kg followed by the Dogtooth with 625.1kg.

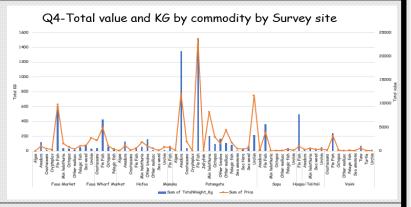




### **DOMESTIC MARKET**

A total of 7.4 metric tons of marine resources recorded in this quarter, which is a rapid increase of 75% from the previous quarter and a decrease of 3.9% from that of the same period last year and the amount recorded this quarter was approximately valued at TOP\$0.12 millions which shows an increase trend from both of the values recorded in the previous quarter as well as the same quarter last year. The average price varied according to market demand for fish but changes in fish market price is determined by quantity of marine product available at that time in the market.

Source: Ministry of Fisheries Artisanal database.



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