

Peru, Fishmeal and fish oil fisheries lead export growth

Peru exported fishery resources for a value of USD 2,154 million between January and August 2014. This figure shows an increase of 19.5 per cent over the same period last year, when revenues of USD 1,802 million were reported, according to statistics of the Exporters Association (ADEX).

ADEX Manager of Capture Services and Industries Marianella Hernandez stated that this increase was driven by higher sales of fishmeal and fish oil.

On the one hand, fishmeal exports rose 16.3 per cent in the first eight months of this year while shipments of fish oil increased 39.5 per cent.

Given the figures of the Business Intelligence System ADEX Data Trade, traditional fishing activity grew by 20.8 per cent between January and August 2014, and represented 63.5 per cent of total seafood exports.

China was the largest market for traditional fishing, followed by Germany, Chile, Japan, Denmark, Vietnam, Canada and Belgium, reported the agency Andina.

Exports from the non-traditional fishing sector increased by 17.3 per cent, reaching USD 784.9 million. The main shipments were those of molluscs and squid for Spain, and those of scallops shipped to France and the United States.

In addition, eel exports (butterfly cut fillets) to Japan had a predominant position, since they recorded a rise of 80 per cent over the first eight months of last year.

Sales of crustaceans abroad also rose: 38.9 per cent year on year in the January-August period.

United States was the main destination for non-traditional seafood exports. It was followed by China, Spain, South Korea, France, Thailand, Japan, Italy and Venezuela.

Currently, US demands mainly shelled shrimp tails, frozen mahi-mahi fillets and scallops.

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