

Chile, Seafood exports continue rising

In the first nine months of 2014, fishery and aquaculture product exports from Chile reached a value of USD 4,124.4 million, representing 18.5 per cent more than in the same period in 2013, when USD 3,480.7 million was obtained.

The volume of exports experienced a slight growth of 0.7 per cent, changing from 905,940 tonnes in 2013 to 912,620 tonnes this year, the Undersecretariat of Fisheries and Aquaculture (SUBPESCA) reported.

The structure of participation in relation to the exported volume was led by the line of frozen products, which constituted 48.6 per cent of the total. Fishmeal (21.2 per cent), fresh refrigerated products (14.8 per cent) and fish oil (7 per cent) were located further back, according to the latest Sector Report of Fisheries and Aquaculture by SUBPESCA.

The main exported products were Atlantic salmon, which accounted for 49 per cent of the total value of sales abroad, followed by rainbow trout and Pacific salmon.

Chilean products were destined to 105 countries, of which the nine major ones accounted for 77.3 per cent of total exports. Those highlighted among the destinations were the United States, Japan, Brazil, China and Russia.

With respect to the capture sector, the accumulated value of seafood exports (430,600 tonnes) between January and September 2014 reached USD 940.9 million, reflecting a slight increase (1.7 per cent) compared to the same period the previous year.

In the first nine months 193,806 tonnes of fishmeal were sold abroad for USD 303.8 million while a year earlier 168,800 tonnes had been exported for USD 310.2 million.

The most important destinations of fishmeal were China, Japan, Spain, South Korea and Italy.

Out of the total exported fishmeal, 59.2 per cent had prime quality, 32 per cent had super prime quality and 7.2 per cent was standard.

Sales of frozen seafood products abroad totalled USD 369.7 million, which represented a fall of 8.8 per cent over the same period of 2013.

These products were mainly directed to Japan, the US and Nigeria, with participations in value of 16.5 per cent, 15.6 per cent and 14.6 per cent, respectively.

As for canned products, the sales in the first nine months of 2014 totalled USD 67.4 million, representing 18.5 per cent less than a year earlier.

Aquaculture sector exports accounted for 77.2 per cent of the total value of sales abroad and 52.8 per cent of the total volume of exports between January and September this year, with USD 3,183 million and about 482,000 tonnes.

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