



Seafood exports edge up

Seafood exports in the first two months of 2021 rose by 2.2 percent year-on-year to over \$1 billion, according to the Vietnam Association of Seafood Exporters and Producers.

Pangasius fish accounted for 21 percent of the exports at \$214 million, up 1.7 percent. Shrimp exports topped \$380 million, a year-on-year decrease of 0.8 percent.

VASEP explained that, due to the impact of Covid-19, global demand is high for products that could be preserved for long, are easy to cook at home and are reasonably priced such as frozen and processed whiteleg shrimp.

Black tiger shrimp exports plunged due to high prices.

VASEP estimated exports would be worth \$640 million in March, with shipments to the U.S., E.U. and CPTTP trade deal member countries continuing to rise.

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