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1 Maritime Zones						
1.1	Territorial Sea	Nautical Miles	12			
1.2	Contagious Zone	Nautical Miles	24			
1.3	Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)	Nautical Miles	200			
1.4	Length of Coastal Shore-line ⁽¹⁾	Kilometers	1,585			
1.5	Historic Waters	Sq. Km.	21,500			
1.6	Continental Shelf	Sq. Km.	30,000			
1.7	EEZ	Sq. Km.	517,000			
2. Inland & Aquaculture Resources (Potential Area)						
2.1	Lagoons ⁽²⁾ & Estuaries	Hectares	158,000			
2.2	Mangrove Zones, Mud Flats & Salt Marshes	Hectares	71,000			
2.3	Total Extent of Fresh Water Bodies	Hectares	260,000			
	Perennial Reservoirs	Hectares	155,000			
	Seasonal Tanks	Hectares	100,000			
	Villus	Hectares	5,000			
3. Annual Fish Production			2021	2022	2023	2024
3.1	Marine Sector	Mt.	331,675	280,610	293,945	308,430
	Coastal Waters	Mt.	178,260	149,440	164,995	165,040
	Offshore/Deep Sea Waters	Mt.	153,415	131,170	128,950	143,390
3.2	Inland and Aquaculture Sector	Mt.	104,235	116,620	113,125	102,330
	Inland Capture Fisheries	Mt.	80,720	94,860	93,440	87,210
	Aquaculture Fisheries	Mt.	9,105	7,680	8,085	7,800
	Shrimp Farms	Mt.	14,410	14,080	11,600	7,320
3.3	Total Production	Mt.	435,910	397,230	407,070	410,760
4. Fishing Fleet (Operting Boats)			2021	2022	2023	2024
4.1	Multy-day Boats (Offshore Vessels) -IMUL	Numbers	5,364	5,088	5,586	4,869
	Multy-day Boats - High seas IMUL	Numbers	1,194	1,485	1,971	1,803
	Multy-day Boats - Other IMUL	Numbers	4,170	3,603	3,615	3,066
4.2	Inboard Single Day Boats - IDAY	Numbers	860	831	782	880
4.3	Outboard Motor FRP Boats - OFRP	Numbers	24,389	24,530	25,232	24,823
4.4	Motorized Traditional Boats - MTRB	Numbers	2,398	2,374	2,619	2,709
4.5	Non-motorized Traditional Boats - NTRB	Numbers	15,695	14,877	15,090	15,037
4.6	Non-motorized Traditional Beach-seine Boats - NBSB	Numbers	1,070	980	988	953
	Total Marine Fishing Fleet	Numbers	49,776	48,680	50,297	49,271
4.7	Inland Fishing Fleet	Numbers	9,940	9,879	9,647	9,647
5. Infrastructure Facilities (Marine sector)**			2021	2022	2023	2024
5.1	Major Fishery Harbours ⁽³⁾	Numbers	23	25	25	25
5.2	Functioning Major Fishery Harbours ⁽⁴⁾	Numbers	21	23	23	23
5.3	Proposed Fishery Harbours for upgrading ⁽⁵⁾	Numbers	8	7	7	1
5.4	Ongoing Fishery Harbours ⁽⁶⁾	Numbers	3	1	1	1
5.5	Proposed New Fishery Harbours ⁽⁷⁾	Numbers	4	4	4	2
5.6	Anchorage	Numbers	17	18	18	19
5.7	Minor Fish Landing Centers	Numbers	927	931	1,044	1,083
5.8	Active Ice Plants	Numbers	120	108	109	109
5.9	Ice Production Capacity	Mt/day	4,973	4,020	4,223	4,223
5.10	Active Boat Manufacturing Yards (Registered)	Numbers	65	67	71	71
5.11	Fishing Gear Factories	Numbers	38	15	19	19
6. Social Information			2021	2022	2023	2024
6.1	Fisheries Inspector Divisions (Marine)	Numbers	148	148	148	148
6.2	Marine Fishing Households	Numbers	185,810	186,500	187,760	188,940
6.3	Inland Fishing Households	Numbers	81,410	83,690	85,480	83,960
6.4	Marine Fishers (Men & women)		224,190	223,490	223,720	225,480

Summary Statistics at a Glance						
Description		Unit	Indicator			
6. Social Information, cont.....			2021	2022	2023	2024
6.5	Inland Fishers (Men & women)	Numbers	91,020	92,060	94,750	94,990
6.6	Marine Fishing Household Population	Numbers	803,820	804,340	805,440	807,550
6.7	Inland Fishing Household Population	Numbers	320,060	343,116	323,370	223,610
6.8	Direct and Indirect Employments (Marine & Inland)	Numbers	586,000	586,000	586,000	586,000
6.9	Fishing and Related Livelihoods	Million	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
6.10	Fisher Organizations (FO) - Marine	Numbers	1,025	1,038	1,042	1,043
6.11	Fisher Organizations (FO) - Inland	Numbers	463	490	493	493
6.12	No. of Memberships in FO - Marine	Numbers	84,933	86,804	86,908	86,884
6.13	No. of Memberships in FO - Inland	Numbers	21,884	19,077	19,117	19,077
7. Fish Trade and Processing			2021	2022	2023	2024
7.1	Active Fish Processing Plants (EU Approved)	Numbers	39	38	44	44
7.2	Active Fish Packing Centers	Numbers	17	18	22	13
7.3	Active Fish Processing Plants (Other)	Numbers	16	12	13	8
7.4	Annual Export Earnings	Rs.Mn	63,222	97,243	99,118	86,241
		US\$ (million)	318	302	303	285
7.5	Annual Export Volume	Mt	26,749	25,730	24,503	22,556
7.6	Annual Import Expenditure	Rs.Mn	25,080	21,664	26,734	36,672
		US\$ (million)	126	70	82	122
7.7	Annual Import Volume	Mt	56,176	41,737	48,808	58,351
7.8	Balance of Fish Trade ⁽⁸⁾	Rs.Mn	38,142	75,579	72,384	49,569
		US\$ (million)	192	232	221	164
7.9	Volume of Tuna Export	Mt	9,936	9,317	8,006	4,813
		Percentage	37.1	36.2	32.6	21.3
7.10	Value of Tuna Export	Rs.Mn.	24,816	37,731	34,624	19,777
		Percentage	39.3	38.8	34.9	22.9
7.11	Total Fish and Fishery Products Export to EU	Mt	8,527	8,211	7,492	6,618
		Percentage	31.9	31.9	30.6	29.3
7.12	Tuna Export to EU	Mt	4,601	4,159	3,115	1,824
		Percentage	46.3	44.6	38.9	37.9
8. Other Selected Imports		Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
8.1	Imports of frozen mackerel For canned fish industry	Mt	5,408.7	2,131.0	3,261	9,387
	Value of imported frozen mackerel	Rs.Mn.	1,378.3	741.0	1,135	3,267
8.2	Imports of baits for multiday fishery	Mt	2,199.0	26.8	26.5	26.5
	Value of imported baits	Rs.Mn.	522.1	14.8	16.3	8.2
9. Supply of Fishery Products		Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
9.1	Supply of Dried fish	Mt	83,925	52,882	51,876	60,041
	Imported volume	Mt	32,585	29,922	29,536	35,191
	Domestically produced volume	Mt	51,340	22,960	22,340	24,850
9.2	Supply of Canned fish	Mt	18,009	9,259	19,707	7,829
	Imported volume	Mt	8,758	3,431	7,904	4,476
	Domestically produced volume	Mt	9,251	5,828	11,803	12,305
	Domestically produced volume	Millions of cans	21.8	13.9	29.2	31.1
	No of local canned fish manufacturing compani	Numbers	10	12	16	16

Note: (1). Coastal Resources Management Plan (CRMP), CCD-1997

(2). 45 brackish water lagoons

(3). 1. Kalpitiya, 2.Chilaw, 3.Negombo, .4.Dikkowita, 5.Suduwellla, 6.Panadura, 7.Beruwala, 8.Ambalangoda,

9. Hikkaduwa, 10. Dodanduwa, 11. Galle, 12. Mirissa,13. Puranawella, 14. Kudawella, 15. Tangalle,

16. Hambanthota, 17. Kirinda, 18. Valachchenai, 19. Codbay, 20. Nilwella, 21 Mutwal, 22. Oluvil, 23. Myliddy 24.kalametiya, 25 Wellamankara

(4). 1 .Kalpitiya, 2 .Chilaw, 3. Negombo, .4. Dikkowita, 5. Suduwellla, 6. Panadura, 7. Beruwala, 8. Ambalangoda,

9. Hikkaduwa, 10. Dodanduwa, 11. Galle, 12. Mirissa, 13. Puranawella, 14. Kudawella, 15. Tangalle, 16. Hambanthota,

17. Kirinda, 18. Valachchenai, 19. Codbay, 20. Nilwella,21.Mutwal 22. Myliddy 23Kalametiya 24.Wellamankara

(5). Harbours for 2022: 1.Beruwala, 2. Galle, 3. Puranawella, 4. Kudawella, 5. Ambalangoda, 6. Hikkaduwa, 7. Valachchenai

(6) Harbours for 2022: 1.Gandara

(7) Harbours for 2022: 1.Balapitiya, 2. Point Peduru, 3. Gurunagar, 4. Pesalai

(8). Export value of fish and fishery products - Import value of fish and fishery products

National Indicators -Sri lanka			
Indicator	Unit	Year	Value
1. Demographic			
1.1 Population	'000 Persons	2024	21,916
1.2 Population Growth Rate	%	2024	(0.5)
1.3 Population Density	Persons /Sq.km	2024	352
1.4 Average Household Size	No.of persons	2024	3.7
2. Labour force			
2.1 Labour Force ⁽¹⁾	'000 Persons	2024	8,316
2.2 Labourforce Participation Rate	%	2024	47.4
2.3 Unemployment Rate ⁽²⁾	%	2024	4.4
3. Inflation - NCPI (Base;2021=100)			
3.1 Index	Number	2024	207.1
3.2 Annual Average Inflation Rate	%	2024	1.6
4. National Accounts⁽³⁾			
4.1 Gross Domestic Product (GDP) - At Current Market Price	Rs.Mn	2024	29,898,564
4.2 GDP Change Rate - At Current Market Price	%	2024	9
4.3 Per Capita Gross National Income (GNI) - At Current Market Price	Rs	2024	1,330,255
4.4 Per Capita Gross National Income (GNI) - At Current Market Price	US\$	2024	4,404
4.5 Change Rate of Per Capita GNI - At Current Market Price (Rs.)	%	2024	(10)
4.5.1 Change Rate of Per Capita GNI - At Current Market Price (US\$.)	%	2024	(19)
4.6 Gross Domestic Product (GDP) - At Constant (2015) Price	Rs.Mn	2024	12,472,469
4.7 GDP Growth Rate - At Constant (2015) Price	%	2024	5.0
4.8 Agriculture Growth Rate - At Constant (2015) Price	%	2024	1.2
4.9 Industry Growth Rate - At Constant (2015) Price	%	2024	11.0
4.10 Services Growth Rate - At Constant (2015) Price	%	2024	2.4
5. Exchange Rate			
5.1 Annual Average	Rs./ US \$	2024	302.1
5.2 Year End	Rs./ US \$	2024	292.58

National Indicators -Sri lanka			
Indicator	Unit	Year	Value
6. Monthly Income			
6.1 Average Monthly Household Income	Rs.	2019	76,414
6.2 Average Monthly Per Capita Income	Rs.	2019	20,527
6.3 Average Income Receivers in the Household	Persons	2019	1.8
6.4 Income Receivers Average Monthly Income	Rs.	2019	42,308
6.5 Percentage Share of Household Income - Richest 20%	%	2019	51.3
6.6 Percentage Share of Household Income - Poorest 40%	%	2019	14.1
6.7 Percentage Share of Household Income - Poorest 20%	%	2019	4.6
7. Monthly Expenditure			
7.1 Average Monthly household Expenditure	Rs.	2019	63,130
7.2 Food Ratio ⁽⁴⁾	%	2019	35.1
8. Poverty			
8.1 Official Poverty Line (OPL), per person per month (based 2012/13)	Rs.	2022	13,777
8.2 Poverty Head Count Ratio ⁽⁵⁾ (on updated poverty line in 2019)	%	2019	14.3
8.3 Poverty Gap Index (with updated poverty line in 2019)	%	2019	2.8
8.4 Number of Poor Households	%	2019	681,800

Source : Department of Census and Statistics
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(1) Economically active population (15 years and over)

(2) Unemployed population/ Economically active population

(3) Revised base year (2010) estimates (by production, income and expenditure approaches)

(4)
$$\frac{\text{Total household expenditure (for food and drink and non food)}}{\text{Total household expenditure (for food and drink and non food)}}$$

(5) Poverty Head Index =
$$\frac{\text{No. of people below Poverty Line}}{\text{Total Population}} * 100$$

Fisheries Indicators

	Description	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Contribution to GDP ⁽¹⁾ at Current Market Prices	%	1.1	1.2	1.1	0.9
	a. Marine fishing	%	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8
	b. Inland fishing	%	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
2	Contribution to GDP ⁽¹⁾ at Constant Prices (2015)	%	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0
	a. Marine fishing	%	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8
	b. Inland fishing	%	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
3	Growth Rate of Fisheries Contribution to GDP (at Current Market Prices)	%	8.9	31.5	10.1	-13.9
	a. Marine fishing	%	10.0	49.6	-4.1	-3.9
	b. Inland fishing	%	4.1	29.9	16.4	-10.0
4	Growth Rate of Fisheries Contribution to GDP (at Constant Prices-2015)	%	1.5	-4.6	0.6	-4.4
	a. Marine fishing	%	1.4	-15.4	8.1	4.8
	b. Inland fishing	%	2.4	11.9	0.8	-9.2
5	Per capita fish production	Kg/year	19.7	17.9	18.4	18.7
	a. Marine fishing	Kg/year	15.0	12.7	13.3	14.1
	b. Inland fishing	Kg/year	4.7	2.5	5.1	4.7
7	Percapita fish consumption (All Sectors) ⁽²⁾	g/day	38.4	32.5	34.3	36.9
8	Percapita fish consumption (All Sectors) ⁽²⁾	Kg/year	14.01	11.9	12.5	13.5
9	Per capita Fish Consumption (Household Sector) ⁽³⁾	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
	a. Large fish (Marine)	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
	b. Small fish (Marine)	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
	c. Inland fish	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
	d. Other fish	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
10	Per capita Consumption of Prepared Fish (Household Sector) ⁽³⁾					
	a. Canned fish	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
	b. Dried fish	Kg/year	na	na	na	na
11	Fish Contribution to Animal Nutrition Intake ⁽⁴⁾					
	a. Calorie Intake	%	33.7	33.8 ^(a)	33.6	na
	b. Protein Intake	%	50.0	47.05 ^(a)	50.0	na
	c. Fat Intake	%	18.8	18.18 ^(a)	23.1	na
12	Household Expenditure Contribution to Food Basket ⁽³⁾					
	a. Fish	%	na	na	na	na
	- Marine	%	na	na	na	na
	- Inland	%	na	na	na	na
	c. Canned fish	%	na	na	na	na
	b. Dried fish	%	na	na	na	na
	- Marine	%	na	na	na	na
	- Inland	%	na	na	na	na
13	Contribution to National Export Earnings	%	2.6	2.3	2.6 ^(a)	2.4
14	Contribution of Tuna to Total Exports of F & FP in Volume ⁽⁵⁾	%	37.1	36.2	34.9	22.9
15	Fishermen per Household (Marine fishing)	Number	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
16	Fishermen per Household (Inland fishing)	Number	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1

(1) National Accounts of Sri Lanka - Revised base year (2010) estimates (by production, income and expenditure approach)

(2) Based on fish production and international trade

(3) Household Income and Expenditure Survey - DCS, conducted once every four years

(4) Food Balance Sheet - DCS

(5) F & FP - Fish and Fishery Products

(a) Revised

na - not available

Section 01

Fishery Resources and Fisher Community

Table 1.1: Land and Water Area by District

District	Land Area (Sq.Km)	Inland Waters		Total land Area ⁽¹⁾ (Aq.Km.)	Mangroves (Ha)	Salt Marshes (Ha)	Lagoons (Ha)
		(Sq.Km)	(Ha)				
1 Colombo	676	23	2,300	699	-	-	-
2 Gampaha	1,341	46	4,600	1,387	122	497	3,442
3 Kalutara	1,576	22	2,200	1,598	70	-	87
4 Kandy	1,917	23	2,300	1,940	-	-	-
5 Matale	1,952	41	4,100	1,993	-	-	-
6 Nuwara Eliya	1,706	35	3,500	1,741	-	-	-
7 Galle	1,617	35	3,500	1,652	187	185	1,144
8 Matara	1,270	13	1,300	1,283	6	-	-
9 Hambantota	2,496	113	11,300	2,609	539	318	4,488
10 Jaffna	929	96	9,600	1,025	260	4,963	45,525
11 Mannar	1,880	116	11,600	1,996	1,261	5,179	3,828
12 Vavunia	1,787	104	10,400	1,891	-	-	-
13 Mullaitivu	2,489	204	20,400	2,693	463	517	9,233
14 Kilinochchi	1,205	74	7,400	1,279	312	4,975	11,917
15 Batticaloa	2,610	244	24,400	2,854	1,421	2,196	13,682
16 Ampara	4,222	193	19,300	4,415	292	127	7,235
17 Trincomalee	2,529	198	19,800	2,727	1,491	1,401	18,317
18 Kurunegala	4,624	192	19,200	4,816	-	-	-
19 Puttalam	2,882	190	19,000	3,072	2,264	3,461	39,119
20 Anuradhapura	6,664	515	51,500	7,179	-	-	-
21 Polonnaruwa	3,077	216	21,600	3,293	-	-	-
22 Badulla	2,827	34	3,400	2,861	-	-	-
23 Moneragala	5,508	131	13,100	5,639	-	-	-
24 Ratnapura	3,236	39	3,900	3,275	-	-	-
25 Kegalle	1,685	8	800	1,693	-	-	-
Total	62,705	2,905	290,500	65,610	8,688	23,819	158,017

Source: Survey Department,

Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Note : (1) Total Land Area: Land area including inland water area

Table 1.2: Information of Perennial Tanks by Districts 2023-2024

District	2023						2024					
	Tanks				Area (Ha)	Landing Sites	Tanks				Area (Ha)	Landing Sites*
	Major	Medium	Minor	Total			Major	Medium	Minor	Total		
1 Colombo	-	-	14	14	155	15	-	-	15	15	160	7
2 Gampaha	-	-	111	111	148	111	-	-	112	112	150	30
3 Kalutara	1	-	18	19	1,309	25	1	-	18	19	1,310	7
4 Kandy	1	-	56	57	2,718	65	1	-	55	56	2,710	45
5 Matale	2	5	43	50	7,592	59	2	5	43	50	7,590	55
6 Nuwara Eliya	1	3	39	43	4,293	49	1	3	39	43	4,290	45
7 Galle	-	-	6	6	22	6	-	-	6	6	20	4
8 Matara	-	-	35	35	968	35	-	-	36	36	970	36
9 Hambantota	2	6	65	73	8,673	82	2	6	65	73	8,670	82
10 Jaffna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 Mannar	1	3	6	10	3,797	12	1	3	6	10	3,800	12
12 Vavunia	1	4	16	21	4,333	22	1	4	16	21	4,330	15
13 Mulathivu	2	5	26	33	7,366	35	2	5	26	33	7,370	35
14 Killinochchi	2	2	4	8	4,762	11	2	2	5	9	4,770	11
15 Batticaloa	2	5	14	21	4,826	21	2	5	14	21	4,830	24
16 Ampara	7	13	75	95	23,919	104	6	13	75	94	23,920	102
17 Trincomalee	1	4	51	56	8,090	58	1	4	51	56	8,090	52
18 Kurunegala	2	9	35	46	8,849	68	2	9	32	43	8,830	55
19 Puttalam	-	5	30	35	2,765	44	-	5	30	35	2,770	40
20 Anuradhapura	11	12	123	146	30,746	197	11	11	123	145	30,750	175
21 Polonnaruwa	5	3	90	98	18,951	110	5	3	90	98	18,950	105
22 Badulla	1	6	29	36	5,421	43	1	6	29	36	5,420	43
23 Monaragala	2	6	78	86	8,089	87	2	6	78	86	8,090	90
24 Ratnapura	1	2	17	20	4,655	22	1	2	17	20	4,660	20
25 Kegalle	-	-	20	20	14	20	-	-	21	21	15	5
Total	45	93	1,001	1,139	162,461	1,301	44	92	1,002	1,138	162,465	1,095

Source : National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Note : Includes only the information of perennial tanks which are utilized for the inland fisheries

Major Tanks (> 800 Ha)

Table 1.3 : Fishing Households and Active Fishers - Marine Sector

Year	Fishing Households	Active Fishers (fishermen & women)	Fishing Household Population	Average Fishers per HH	Average Persons per HH
1972	43,269	58,298	235,100	1.2	5.4
1982	56,320	68,900	292,200	1.2	5.2
2001	98,157	115,014	441,707	1.2	4.5
2005	137,300	160,300	641,700	1.2	4.7
2010	184,100	212,920	816,500	1.2	4.4
2015	190,960	221,560	830,560	1.2	4.3
2020	185,570	225,020	804,980	1.2	4.3
2021	185,810	224,190	803,820	1.2	4.3
2022	186,500	223,490	804,340	1.2	4.3
2023	187,760	223,720	805,440	1.2	4.3
2024	188,940	225,480	807,550	1.2	4.3

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Table 1.4 : Fishing Households and Active Fishers - Inland Sector

Year	Fishing Households	Active Fishers (fishermen & women)	Fishing Household Population	Average Fishermen per HH	Average Persons per HH
2000	16,300	18,000	73,350	1.1	4.5
2005	22,100	24,200	97,240	1.1	4.4
2010	28,500	31,400	122,550	1.1	4.3
2015	48,900	54,450	207,410	1.1	4.2
2020	81,070	90,650	318,730	1.1	3.9
2021	81,410	91,020	320,060	1.1	3.9
2022	83,690	92,060	323,120	1.1	3.9
2023	83,770	94,750	323,370	1.1	3.9
2024	83,960	94,990	223,610	1.1	2.7

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Table 1.5: Active Fishers by District - Marine Fisheries

Fisheries District	1972	1989	1999	2004	2011	2016	2021	2022	2023	2024
1 Negombo	5,357	7,419	14,573	16,800	9,510	10,570	11,920	11,570	11,210	10,730
2 Colombo	2,325	1,610	2,653	2,800	1,820	2,340	2,370	2,280	2,160	2,150
3 Kalutara	2,212	3,157	4,322	4,200	5,950	4,820	4,300	4,050	4,110	4,020
4 Galle	3,479	3,590	6,304	6,300	10,260	12,420	10,380	9,560	9,510	9,350
5 Matara	3,270	4,426	5,276	7,100	11,090	15,570	15,230	15,380	15,790	15,760
6 Tangalle	1,742	3,354	7,001	6,100	10,580	12,010	12,920	12,250	13,510	14,510
7 Kalmunai	5,628	9,022	14,592	15,500	26,040	22,290	15,820	15,750	15,470	16,460
8 Batticaloa	5,572	12,843	15,137	21,600	29,980	31,820	39,990	41,730	41,770	42,050
9 Trincomalee	2,823	6,502	10,748	16,100	34,620	32,960	29,170	28,530	28,800	28,070
10 Mullativu	1,349	3,183	1,950	3,300	1,480	5,250	8,440	8,570	8,350	8,780
11 Kilinochchi	-	1,103	1,400	3,700	3,720	4,190	4,250	4,930	4,760	4,800
12 Jaffna	10,826	24,839	9,614	16,800	22,720	22,690	24,670	25,780	25,870	26,150
13 Mannar	2,848	5,684	4,593	9,400	18,530	18,570	19,520	17,460	17,610	18,350
14 Puttalam	10,867	4,539	13,161	12,100	16,810	12,530	15,240	14,930	13,350	13,130
15 Chilaw	-	7,173	9,090	10,000	12,320	10,800	9,970	10,720	11,450	11,170
Total	58,298	98,444	120,414	151,800	215,430	218,830	224,190	223,490	223,720	225,480

Source: Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Estimated Based on the annual reports submitted by Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions

Table 1.6: Fishing Households by District - Marine Fisheries

Fisheries District	1972	1989	1999	2004	2011	2016	2021	2022	2023	2024
1 Negombo	3,849	6,396	11,210	12,900	9,250	9,050	10,500	10,190	9,880	9,450
2 Colombo	2,002	1,451	2,412	2,300	1,650	1,880	2,040	1,960	2,010	2,010
3 Kalutara	1,799	2,366	3,602	3,500	5,610	4,790	4,080	3,890	4,060	3,960
4 Galle	2,941	2,871	5,253	6,700	6,220	9,430	8,380	7,930	7,870	7,730
5 Matara	2,413	3,341	4,796	6,900	10,980	12,250	12,270	12,280	12,660	12,630
6 Tangalle	1,285	2,712	5,385	6,100	10,130	9,390	8,610	8,570	9,360	10,040
7 Kalmunai	4,686	9,328	13,265	15,100	22,740	18,740	14,340	14,280	14,030	14,920
8 Batticaloa	4,679	12,044	13,762	16,700	26,320	26,980	27,110	28,630	28,940	29,120
9 Trincomalee	2,348	5,675	8,123	12,300	32,470	31,270	28,850	28,420	28,690	27,950
10 Mullativu	919	2,798	864	3,100	1,600	4,730	6,100	6,210	6,030	6,330
11 Kilinochchi	-	1,047	400	3,400	2,700	4,120	4,150	4,860	4,610	4,640
12 Jaffna	7,966	22,568	6,922	16,100	19,240	21,800	23,380	23,630	23,690	23,940
13 Mannar	2,093	5,127	4,175	7,300	15,030	15,030	17,620	16,870	16,890	17,590
14 Puttalam	6,289	3,759	10,124	11,400	13,820	10,790	10,070	9,860	9,530	9,360
15 Chilaw	-	6,325	8,264	8,800	9,580	8,440	8,310	8,920	9,510	9,270
Total	43,269	87,808	98,557	132,600	187,340	188,690	185,810	186,500	187,760	188,940

Source: Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Estimated Based on the annual reports submitted by Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions

Table 1.7: Fishing Households and Active Fishers - Marine Fisheries - 2024

Fisheries District		Number of FI Divisions	Fishing Households	Active Fishers (Fishermen & women)	Fishing Household Population	Average Fishers per Household
1	Negombo	13	9,450	10,730	42,270	1.1
2	Colombo	8	2,010	2,150	8,850	1.1
3	Kalutara	9	3,960	4,020	15,530	1.0
4	Galle	9	7,730	9,350	35,700	1.2
5	Matara	9	12,630	15,760	53,300	1.2
6	Tangalle	12	10,040	14,510	40,050	1.4
7	Kalmunai	12	14,920	16,460	77,190	1.1
8	Batticaloa	15	29,120	42,050	125,190	1.4
9	Trincomalee	11	27,950	28,070	100,430	1.0
10	Mullaitivu	4	6,330	8,780	27,510	1.4
11	Kilinochchi	4	4,640	4,800	16,110	1.0
12	Jaffna	17	23,940	26,150	107,260	1.1
13	Mannar	6	17,590	18,350	74,390	1.0
14	Puttalam	8	9,360	13,130	42,500	1.4
15	Chilaw	11	9,270	11,170	41,270	1.2
Total		148	188,940	225,480	807,550	1.2

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Estimated based on the annual reports submitted by Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions

Note: Full time, part time, occational and other unspecified fishers are included

Table 1.8 : Active Fishers in Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector - 2024

District	Inland Fisheries			Aquaculture			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1 Colombo	251	-	251	662	131	793	913	131	1,044
2 Gampaha	422	35	457	1,608	394	2,002	2,030	429	2,459
3 Kalutara	852	114	966	834	158	992	1,686	272	1,958
4 Kandy	632	6	638	275	22	297	907	28	935
5 Matale	2,347	8	2,355	400	48	448	2,747	56	2,803
6 Nuwara Eliya	2,510	75	2,585	260	105	365	2,770	180	2,950
7 Galle	656	108	764	873	9	882	1,529	117	1,646
8 Matara	385	7	392	530	46	576	915	53	968
9 Hambantota	5,074	92	5,166	5,362	230	5,592	10,436	322	10,758
10 Jaffna	180	7	187	1,869	236	2,105	2,049	243	2,292
11 Mannar	528	11	539	949	171	1,120	1,477	182	1,659
12 Vavuniya	1,380	30	1,410	385	80	465	1,765	110	1,875
13 Mullaitivu	745	33	778	765	30	795	1,510	63	1,573
14 Kilinochchi	590	70	660	1,562	271	1,833	2,152	341	2,493
15 Batticaloa	2,587	59	2,646	598	73	671	3,185	132	3,317
16 Ampara	7,921	679	8,600	3,407	36	3,443	11,328	715	12,043
17 Trincomalee	2,050	13	2,063	794	28	822	2,844	41	2,885
18 Kurunegala	4,147	41	4,188	2,558	202	2,760	6,705	243	6,948
19 Puttalam	2,794	234	3,028	4,329	511	4,840	7,123	745	7,868
20 Anuradhapura	6,968	1,031	7,999	2,152	473	2,625	9,120	1,504	10,624
21 Polonnaruwa	4,954	222	5,176	857	179	1,036	5,811	401	6,212
22 Badulla	1,793	58	1,851	549	56	605	2,342	114	2,456
23 Monaragala	2,411	84	2,495	2,104	170	2,274	4,515	254	4,769
24 Ratnapura	819	1	820	1,098	1	1,099	1,917	2	1,919
25 Kegalle	139	-	139	339	62	401	478	62	540
Total	53,135	3,018	56,153	35,119	3,722	38,841	88,254	6,740	94,994

Source : Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries and National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Table 1.9 : Fisher Community Organizations - 2024

District	No. of fisheries Organizations			No. of Members		
	Coastal	Inland	Total	Coastal	Inland	Total
1 Colombo	20	3	23	1,540	204	1,744
2 Gampaha	73	18	91	5,821	208	6,029
3 Kalutara	41	13	54	4,116	664	4,780
4 Kandy	-	3	3	-	160	160
5 Matale	-	14	14	-	1,060	1,060
6 Nuwara Eliya	-	8	8	-	265	265
7 Galle	47	6	53	3,305	146	3,451
8 Matara	85	11	96	7,136	192	7,328
9 Hambantota	46	58	104	3,352	529	3,881
10 Jaffna	95	-	95	11,451	-	11,451
11 Mannar	71	14	85	7,505	692	8,197
12 Vavuniya	-	18	18	-	687	687
13 Mullaitivu	36	16	52	3,452	449	3,901
14 Kilinochchi	26	7	33	1,812	351	2,163
15 Batticaloa	154	23	177	14,121	1,158	15,279
16 Ampara	74	31	105	8,561	1,865	10,426
17 Trincomalee	78	28	106	5,405	467	5,872
18 Kurunegala	-	29	29	-	518	518
19 Puttalam	197	30	227	9,307	1,138	10,445
20 Anuradhapura	-	41	41	-	2,848	2,848
21 Polonnaruwa	-	35	35	-	3,700	3,700
22 Badulla	-	14	14	-	446	446
23 Monaragala	-	51	51	-	420	420
24 Ratnapura	-	13	13	-	725	725
25 Kegalle	-	6	6	-	185	185
Total	1,043	490	1,533	86,884	19,077	105,961

Source: National Fisheries Federation

Section 02

Fisheries Infrastructure Facilities

Table 2.1 : Fishery Harbours Information and Available Facilities - 2024

Major Fishery Harbour	Fisheries District	Year of Commissioned	Land Area (Ha)	Basin Area (Ha)	Break Water Length (m)	Sub Break water (m)	Dredging Depth (m)	Quay Wall Length (m)	Jetty Length (m)	Berthing Capacity (No of Vessels 3.5 - 5 tonnage)	Market Area (Auction Hall) (sq.m)	Net Mending Area (sq.m)	Fuel Storage Capacity - Diesel ('000 Liters)	Water Storage ('000 Liters)	Kerosene ('000 Liters)
1 Negombo	Negombo	2009	0.42	Lagoon	-	-	3.0	88.0	-	162	421	212	36.0	50.0	0
2 Dikkowita	Negombo	2013	6.12	13.40	758	378.5	3.0-6.0	610.5	349.0	455	437	420	115.2	250.0	0
3 Mutwal	Colombo	1965	0.80	1.40	218	68.0	4.0-6.0	192.7	-	100	340	434	bunkering	55.0	0
4 Panadura	Colombo	1998	1.67	Lagoon	670	150.0	2.5-3.0	75.5	75.5	75	171	160	36.0	25.0	18
5 Beruwala	Kalutara	1965	5.10	13.30	385	188.0	3.0	212.0	41.0	530	652	544	72.0	200.0	7.4
6 Ambalangoda	Galle	2008	3.10	5.30	372	188.0	3.5	117.0	150.0	150	440	256	36.0	26.0	0
7 Hikkaduwa	Galle	2001	1.35	4.50	485	330.0	3.0	136.0	150.0	250	214	211	36.0	30.0	18
8 Dodanduwa	Galle	2009	1.10	1.40	100	-	3.0	-	-	50	180	95	-	2,000.0	13.5
9 Galle	Galle	1965	1.50	3.00	235	-	3.0-6.0	292.0	141.0	350	750	475	74.0	70.0	0
10 Mirissa	Matara	1966	2.44	7.00	458	175.0	2.5 -4	430.0	81.0	300	223	111	53.0	18.0	14
11 Nilwella	Matara	2012	0.64	9.30	426	-	3.0	100.0	100.0	200	153	177	36.0	12.0	18
12 Puranawella	Matara	1980	3.87	12.20	407	276.0	3.0-5.0	284.5	-	350	360	278	72.0	80.0	0
13 Suduwella	Matara	2014	1.59	2.75	319	193.0	1.5-3.5	100.0	100.0	230	297	213	18.0	11.4	30
14 Kudawella	Tangalle	1998	3.30	10.30	680	90.0	2.5-3.0	288.0	102.0	400	284	256	60.0	232.0	0
15 Tangalle	Tangalle	1965	1.30	2.10	208	70.0	2.5-3.0	263.3	-	100	-	178	54.0	32.0	0
16 Hambantota	Tangalle	2010	3.30	3.90	278	175.0	3.5	150.0	-	125	290	530	36.0	12.0	13.2
17 Kirinda	Tangalle	1985	4.70	1.90	542	185.0	2.5-3.0	226.0	-	150	291	195	24.3	50.0	24.2
18 Oluvil	Kalmunai	2013	45.00	21.00	775	550.0	3.0	205.0	-	750	320	240	22.5	40.0	0
19 Valaichchanai	Batticaloa	2011	1.60	Lagoon	-	-	3.0	275.0	-	400	915	320	72.0	75.0	13.5
20 Cod-bay	Trincomalee	1965	11.10	Lagoon	-	-	3.0-6.0	289.0	50.0	700	381	136	54.0	150.0	0
21 Kalpitiya	Puttalam	1968	0.49	Lagoon	-	-	2.5-5.0	126.2	57.2	180	300	306	36.0	50.0	36.5
22 Chilaw	Puttalam	2010	0.87	Lagoon	-	-	2.5	174.5	35.8	250	564	444	-	-	0
23 Myliddy	Jaffna	2019	-	3.65	340	-	2.5	94.0	-	80	-	107	22.0	80.0	22
24 Wellmankara	Puttalam	2022	4.23	6.28	577	302.0	4.0	-	352.0	300	430	535	180.0	65.0	9
25 Kalametiya	Tangalle	2022	8.60	3.78	310	50.0	3.0	80.0	80.0	75	300	255	36.0	8.0	17.79

Note: Mutwal and Oluvil not operated

Table 2.2: Active Ice Plants and Production Capacity by Districts (1983 - 2024)

		Table 2.2: Active Ice Plants and Production Capacity by Districts (1983 - 2024)															
		1983		1997		2005		2010		2015/2016		2020/2021		2022/2023		2024/2025	
Administrative District	Fisheries District	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	Ice plants	Production Capacity (Mt/day)	
1	Colombo	Colombo	17	339	3	103	2	10	3	25	15	-	-	-	-	-	
2	Gampaha	Negombo	-	-	-	-	10	329	6	245	709	11	917	11	763	11	763
3	Kalutara	Kalutara	2	20	4	106	2	60	5	185	368	8	330	7	264	7	264
5	Matale	Matale	-	-	-	-	1	8	-	-	-	1	44	1	44	1	44
7	Galle	Galle	1	50	3	100	3	76	9	189	155	10	352	8	267	8	267
8	Matara	Matara	2	10	8	180	5	180	2	20	449	10	355	10	351	10	351
9	Hambantota	Tangalle	1	10	5	32	3	40	6	44	245	19	657	18	873	18	873
10	Jaffna	Jaffna	12	85	1	3	6	8	4	313	91	5	135	5	135	5	135
11	Mannar	Mannar	3	12	2	20	4	34	-	-	50	6	167	5	167	5	167
13	Mullaitivu	Mullaitivu	3	23	-	-	-	-	8	17	64	2	47	2	40	2	40
14	Kilinochchi	Kilinochchi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	85	2	26	2	26
15	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	4	28	1	10	-	-	4	36	204	6	166	6	403	6	403
16	Ampara	Kalmunai	3	11	5	10	-	-	5	148	121	3	30	3	29	3	29
17	Trincomalee	Trincomalee	5	30	3	20	2	100	6	140	963	8	285	9	345	9	345
18	Kurunegala		-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	-	1	23	1	6	1	6
19	Puttalam	Puttalam	9	64	3	75	3	90	5	175	50	5	268	5	132	5	132
		Chilaw	-	-	-	-	5	121	6	140	281	7	132	12	352	12	352
20	Anuradhapura		-	-	-	-	1	10	1	10	10	2	11	2	11	2	11
21	Polonnaruwa		-	-			-	-	-	-	2	1	15	1	15	1	15
22	Monaragala		-	-							-	1	2	1	2	1	2
Total		Total	62	682	35	584	47	1,066	71	1,697	3,781	108	4,020	109	4,223	109	4,223

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Based on the data reports of DFAR, CFC ,CFHC and NAQDA

Table 2.3 : No. of Ice plants and production capacity by current status of functioning and district- 2024/2025

Administrative District	Fisheries District	Active		Inactive		Permanently Closed		Total	
		Number	Daily production capacity (Mt/ day)	Number	Daily production capacity (Mt/ day)	Number	Daily production capacity (Mt/ day)	Number	Daily production capacity (Mt/ day)
Colombo	Colombo	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Gampaha	Negombo	11	762.50	-	-	-	-	11	762.5
Kalutara	Kaluthara	7	264.00	-	-	-	-	7	264.0
Matale	Matale	1	43.50	-	-	-	-	1	43.5
Galle	Galle	8	267.00	-	-	-	-	8	267.0
Matara	Matara	10	351.30	-	-	-	-	10	351.3
Hambanthota	Tangalle	18	873.45	2	4.50	-	-	20	878.0
Jaffna	Jaffna	5	135.00	1	-	-	-	6	135.0
Mannar	Mannar	5	166.50	-	-	-	-	5	166.5
Mullaitivu	Mullaitivu	2	39.50	-	-	1	3.50	3	43.0
Kilinochchi	Kilinochchi	2	25.50	-	-	-	-	2	25.5
Batticaloa	Batticaloa	6	403.00	1.00	3.00	-	-	7	406.0
Ampara	Kalmunai	3	28.50	-	-	2	-	5	28.5
Trincomalee	Trincomalee	9	344.65	-	-	-	-	9	344.7
Kurunegala	Kurunegala	1	6.00	-	-	-	-	1	6.0
Puttalam	Puttalam	5	132.40	1	-	1	-	7	132.4
	Chilaw	12	352.00	-	-	-	-	12	352.0
Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	2	11.00	-	-	-	-	2	11.0
Polonnaruwa	Polonnaruwa	1	15.00	-	-	-	-	1	15.0
Monaragala	Monaragala	1	2.00	-	-	-	-	1	2.0
Total		109	4,222.80	5.00	7.50	5.00	3.50	119	4,233.8

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Table 2.4.1 : Production of Fishing Boats - Cey-Nor 2010- 2024

Boat Type	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Production of Boats											
Multiday boats	1	-	-	3	2	1	1	1	1	-	1
Single day boats	9	-	7	22	20	1	-	11	12	4	6
OFRP boats	8	2	-								
Oru / Outtriggers / Oars	382	711	2,384	1,443	812	750	144	641	261	207	447
Wallam/ Theppam	32	-	-	32	1		1	15	15	1	9
Leisure Boats / Ferries	4	1	-	1		1	-	-		-	1
Paddle Boats	-	-	12	12	1	6	7	-		3	2
Passenger boats	1	1	2	-	4	1	1	-		-	-
Ferries/ Theppam/ Piers	-	12	106	59	1	3	2	1	17	7	34
Total Boats	437	727	2,511	1,572	841	763	156	669	306	222	500
Other Products											
Floating Restaurant / House	-	-	-	-					1	-	-
Total Production Value (Rs.Mn)	72.00	51.99	121.10	104.15	210.60	44.00	24.50	43.60	86.09	26.00	118.40

Table 2.4.2 : Sales of Other Products - Cey-Nor 2010 - 2024

Item	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Weapon Storage Boxes, Security Huts, Long Lines Instruments	600	270	3	-	72	14	13	102	13	42	20
Dress changing room, toilets mobile sales outlets, pallets, hatchery jars, F/chairs, fish nets and fishing gear			267	30	17	65	20	64	76	79	6
Hatchery jar/ Hatchery Tank / Water Tank/Fish Tank				181							
Fiber glass oars/ Lifi Saving Rings/ Dan Anchors				18							
Fish nets and fihing geras					960	5,150	1,586	1,292	1,279	1,120	2,920
Fish box/ Ice box			368	909	61	60	201	253	17	99	16
Wash basins							12	131			
Value of Other Products(Rs Mn)†		9.64	76.19	49.56	48.00	40.00	19.00	30.80	5.53	35.00	145.62
Value of Non Fish Related Products * (Rs Mn)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.50	102

Source: CEYNOR Foundation Ltd , North Sea Limited

Note: Fishing Net Factories were handed over to North Sea Limited since 2011 November

*Lottery huts and Poly tunneles

† Revised

Table 2.5 : Production of Fish Nets and Sales Value 2000-2024

Year	Lunuwila Fish Nets		Weerawila Fish Nets Factory		Gurunagar factory		Total	
	Quantity (Kg)	Sales Value (Rs.Mn)	Quantity (Kg)	Sales Value (Rs.Mn)	Quantity (Kg)	Sales Value (Rs.Mn)	Quantity (Kg)	Sales Value (Rs.Mn)
2000	191,083	79.10	20,885	6.40	-	-	211,968	85.50
2005	233,126	152.60	89,575	55.50	-	-	322,701	208.10
2010	88,453	149.80	82,172	72.00	-	-	170,625	221.80
2011	94,920	172.80	91,122	69.00	2,310	5.00	188,352	246.80
2012	77,890	94.20	35,970	42.70	20,950	30.52	134,810	167.42
2013	69,660	77.00	41,520	46.00	36,080	21.90	147,260	144.90
2014	107,720	193.40	73,390	20.60	99,210	86.10	280,320	300.10
2015	70,799	108.92	46,240	9.20	76,790	44.78	193,829	162.90
2016	71,830	106.77	30,780	21.11	54,090	57.22	156,700	185.10
2017	100,632	113.75	58,694	45.44	87,914	43.65	247,240	202.84
2018	96,353	177.81	100,403	77.60	75,929	108.09	272,685	363.50
2019	84,099	125.14	60,536	75.70	58,615	68.96	203,250	269.80
2020	63,516	84.92	26,079	59.14	53,994	72.60	143,589	216.66
2021	62,296	104.42	32,863	67.13	69,632	85.58	164,791	257.12
2022	17,750	42.93	18,859	24.44	27,374	73.09	63,483	140.46
2023	58,785	83.16	55,452	61.22	75,040	71.98	189,277	216.36
2024	94,073	114.24	101,480	110.48	103,160	111.87	298,713	336.59

Source: CEYNOR Foundation Ltd , North Sea Limited

Note: Fishing Net Factories were handed over to North Sea Limited since 2011 November

Section 03

Fishing Fleets

Table 3.1: Operating Fishing Boats by Type (1995 - 2024)

Year	Marine Fishing Fleet							Inland Fishing Craft	Total Fishing Fleet	
	Inboard Engine		Out Board Engine		Traditional					
	High Seas IMUL	Other ⁽¹⁾ IMUL	IDAY	OFRP	MTRB	NTRB ⁽²⁾	NBSB (Beach Seine Craft)			Total
1995		1,639	1,357	8,564	1,060	14,649	na	27,269	3,900	31,169
2000		1,430	1,170	8,690	1,205	15,100	na	27,595	4,700	32,295
2005		1,328	1,164	11,010	1,660	14,150	589	29,901	6,200	36,101
2010		3,346	1,177	18,770	2,680	19,190	975	46,138	7,990	54,128
2011		3,872	1,120	22,890	2,960	21,646	984	53,472	8,020	61,492
2012		4,080	890	23,160	2,340	21,904	896	53,270	8,360	61,630
2013		4,111	802	23,134	2,514	20,866	873	52,300	7,988	60,288
2014		4,447	876	23,982	2,720	20,584	1,379	53,988	8,536	62,524
2015	1,612	2,606	719	24,028	1,872	17,813	1,688	50,338	8,778	59,116
2016	1,407	2,589	786	24,282	1,839	17,853	1,913	50,669	9,661	60,330
2017	1,346	2,850	868	22,394	2,185	16,035	1,212	46,890	9,745	56,635
2018	1,281	3,300	918	24,132	2,206	17,434	1,320	50,591	9,795	60,386
2019	1,189	3,696	948	23,404	2,140	16,312	1,287	48,976	9,870	58,846
2020	927	4,228	895	24,074	2,310	16,006	1,056	49,496	9,880	59,376
2021	1,194	4,170	860	24,389	2,398	15,695	1,070	49,776	9,940	59,716
2022	1,485	3,603	831	24,530	2,374	14,877	980	48,680	9,879	58,559
2023	1,971	3,615	782	25,232	2,619	15,090	988	50,297	9,647	59,944
2024	1,803	3,066	880	24,823	2,709	15,037	953	49,271	9,647	58,918

Estimated based on the monthly reports submitted by the Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions and log book information

(1) 1995-2014 High seas IMUL boats included

(2) 1995-2000 Beach Seine Crafts included

Note : IMUL - Inboard Multi-day Boats, IDAY - Inboard Single-day Boats, OFRP - Out-board engine Fiberglass

Reinforced Plastic Boats, MTRB - Motorized Traditional Boats, NTRB - Non-motorized Traditional Boats

Table 3.2 : Operating Fishing Boats by District - 2023

Fisheries District	IMUL	IDAY	OFRP	MTRB	NTRB	NBSB	Total Boats
1 Negombo	929	24	1,485	2	1,359	39	3,838
2 Colombo	12	12	348	1	178	22	573
3 Kalutara	562	3	386	-	204	45	1,200
4 Galle	650	12	445	198	256	47	1,608
5 Matara	981	68	760	228	548	3	2,588
6 Tangalle	864	14	744	100	494	86	2,302
7 Kalmunai	247	39	937	137	931	127	2,418
8 Batticaloa	501	9	1,824	16	4,188	102	6,640
9 Trincomalee	559	11	3,543	75	2,437	163	6,788
10 Mullaitivu	-	-	1,392	-	309	56	1,757
11 Kilinochchi	-	-	1,163	148	268	-	1,579
12 Jaffna	103	370	5,142	894	1,418	134	8,061
13 Mannar	28	196	3,038	589	528	26	4,405
14 Puttalam	50	23	2,342	179	1,001	121	3,716
15 Chilaw	100	1	1,683	52	971	17	2,824
Total	5,586	782	25,232	2,619	15,090	988	50,297

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Estimated based on the monthly reports submitted by the Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions and log book information

Note : IMUL - Inboard Multi-day Boats, IDAY - Inboard Single-day Boats, OFRP - Out-board engine Fiberglass

Reinforced Plastic Boats, MTRB - Motorized Traditional Boats, NTRB - Non-motorized Traditional Boats

NBSB -Non Motorized Beach Seine Crafts

Table 3.3 : Operating Fishing Boats by District - 2024

Fisheries District	IMUL	IDAY	OFRP	MTRB	NTRB	NBSB	Total Boats
1 Negombo	649	36	1,318	5	1,234	39	3,281
2 Colombo	11	16	377	2	173	15	594
3 Kalutara	572	2	391	-	173	44	1,182
4 Galle	488	19	512	182	222	27	1,450
5 Matara	927	117	729	248	514	3	2,538
6 Tangalle	750	29	673	157	477	74	2,160
7 Kalmunai	235	36	892	133	910	161	2,367
8 Batticaloa	427	9	1,850	15	4,198	115	6,614
9 Trincomalee	532	8	3,742	79	2,572	134	7,067
10 Mullaitivu	-	-	1,461	1	292	52	1,806
11 Kilinochchi	1	-	1,211	158	254	-	1,624
12 Jaffna	98	361	5,069	971	1,388	134	8,021
13 Mannar	26	246	2,705	515	442	31	3,965
14 Puttalam	50	-	2,272	193	1,131	110	3,756
15 Chilaw	103	1	1,621	50	1,057	14	2,846
Total	4,869	880	24,823	2,709	15,037	953	49,271

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Estimated based on the monthly reports submitted by the Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions and log book information

Note : IMUL - Inboard Multi-day Boats, IDAY - Inboard Single-day Boats, OFRP - Out-board engine Fiberglass

Reinforced Plastic Boats, MTRB - Motorized Traditional Boats, NTRB - Non-motorized Traditional Boats

NBSB -Non Motorized Beach Seine Crafts

Table 3.4: Inland Fishing Crafts* by District (2006 - 2024)

	District	2006	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Colombo	53	30	35	30	78	53	53
2	Gampaha	19	30	30	30	25	25	25
3	Kalutara	35	75	80	80	46	25	25
4	Kandy	59	125	125	130	126	131	131
5	Matale	324	380	380	390	376	292	292
6	Nuwara Eliya	15	120	110	120	122	123	123
7	Galle	33	80	20	20	20	20	20
8	Matara	29	120	140	140	134	85	85
9	Hambantota	502	830	820	810	795	754	754
10	Jaffna **	-	-	30	30	30	40	40
11	Mannar	50	360	370	390	381	375	375
12	Vavunia	138	260	260	260	244	244	244
13	Mullaitivu	30	380	380	380	320	381	381
14	Kilinochchi	84	240	230	230	290	235	235
15	Batticaloa	171	640	620	620	631	721	721
16	Ampara	579	1,350	1,310	1,300	1,260	1,302	1,302
17	Trincomalee	314	440	460	460	417	356	356
18	Kurunegala	498	630	610	610	673	699	699
19	Puttalam	192	255	300	310	302	248	248
20	Anuradhapura	1,736	1,510	1,560	1,570	1,775	1,526	1,526
21	Polonnaruwa	1,349	1,010	1,070	1,080	842	1,067	1,067
22	Badulla	365	390	330	330	354	326	326
23	Monaragala	314	415	410	410	425	406	406
24	Ratnapura	157	190	190	200	205	205	205
25	Kegalle **	-	10	10	10	8	8	8
	Total	7,046	9,870	9,880	9,940	9,879	9,647	9,647

Source : Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries and National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

* Including Canoes, Theppan and Paru

** Inland fishing crafts are not operated

Section 04

Fish Production

Table 4.1: Annual Fish Production by Fishing Sub-sectors (Mt)

Year	Marine Fish Catch		Total Marine	Inland & Aquaculture	Total Fish Production	Wet Fish for Dry or Other products
	Coastal	Off shore/ Deep Sea				
1960	48,768	2,235	51,003	1,524	52,527	na
1965	85,547	1,524	87,071	8,230	95,301	na
1970	86,563	3,258	89,821	8,331	98,152	na
1975	114,863	970	115,833	13,370	129,203	na
1980	165,264	2,148	167,412	20,266	187,678	38,000
1985	140,270	2,400	142,670	32,740	175,410	24,000
1990	134,120	11,670	145,790	38,190	183,980	22,000
1995	157,500	60,000	217,500	18,250	235,750	36,000
2000	175,280	88,400	263,680	36,700	300,380	60,900
2005	63,690	66,710	130,400	32,830	163,230	18,900
2010	202,420	129,840	332,260	52,410	384,670	100,120
2015	269,020	183,870	452,890	67,300	520,190	126,390
2019	242,580	172,910	415,490	90,340	505,830	114,900
2020	182,560	144,370	326,930	101,810	428,740	132,100
2021	178,260	153,415	331,675	104,235	435,910	112,630
2022	149,440	131,170	280,610	116,620	397,230	51,660
2023	164,995	128,950	293,945	113,125	407,070	51,040
2024	165,040	143,390	308,430	102,330	410,760	55,890

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources and National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Table 4.2: National Fish Production by Administrative Districts (Mt)**

District	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1 Colombo	7,220	6,165	4,740	3,420	1,820	2,495	2,390	1,690	1,340
2 Gampaha	31,470	30,200	31,370	28,540	25,740	26,620	22,020	20,410	17,995
3 Kalutara	46,710	43,400	43,820	46,490	44,960	43,400	38,700	32,675	26,410
4 Kandy	780	1,340	690	1,080	940	1,335	1,380	1,285	1,210
5 Matale	1,290	1,320	1,230	1,460	1,550	1,360	1,790	1,715	1,645
6 Nuwara eliya	80	310	550	590	540	510	620	530	490
7 Galle	57,540	48,650	55,100	53,690	41,180	45,635	46,030	46,455	49,990
8 Matara	30,950	29,210	30,280	24,100	25,300	24,885	25,240	22,400	27,660
9 Hambantota	66,990	77,380	72,410	65,480	51,970	46,600	38,515	35,815	30,080
10 Jaffna	32,260	44,465	41,210	44,390	32,650	25,360	18,115	22,645	29,730
11 Mannar	19,700	23,090	23,880	26,585	20,320	18,035	21,045	24,400	22,015
12 Vavunia	2,770	2,290	400	490	700	345	770	645	315
13 Mullaitivu	11,790	7,270	4,340	6,260	8,670	14,500	7,730	11,080	13,980
14 Kilinochchi	15,360	13,210	12,280	12,595	7,630	6,060	4,750	6,165	8,700
15 Batticaloa	30,500	26,500	20,550	21,090	14,430	15,620	14,980	18,600	18,175
16 Ampara	29,870	31,310	32,560	25,060	27,970	23,010	19,645	26,085	27,990
17 Trincomalee	30,030	39,500	40,790	33,650	25,190	34,680	28,250	26,840	41,690
18 Kurunegala	5,690	3,120	3,870	4,410	6,450	6,035	8,330	10,455	8,105
19 Puttalam	86,260	72,280	74,000	67,400	47,880	60,825	51,040	54,260	42,645
20 Anuradhapura	12,990	15,760	12,940	17,840	21,850	19,325	21,800	21,380	19,055
21 Polonnaruwa	3,530	8,310	11,600	9,960	9,510	8,685	13,670	10,770	11,120
22 Badulla	470	850	1,470	2,120	2,680	1,775	2,810	3,270	1,965
23 Monaragala	4,200	3,140	5,240	7,550	7,440	7,435	6,115	6,025	7,175
24 Ratnapura	2,450	2,220	1,720	1,550	1,330	1,325	1,440	1,440	1,270
25 Kegalle	20	20	20	30	40	55	55	35	10
Total	530,920	531,310	527,060	505,830	428,740	435,910	397,230	407,070	410,760

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources & National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Note: ** : National Fish is the sum of production in Marine and Inland Fishing.

na : negligible amount

Table 4.3: National Fish Production by Fishing Sub-sectors and Administrative Districts (Mt), 2022 - 2024**

District	2022			2023			2024		
	Marine	Inland & Aquaculture	Total	Marine	Inland & Aquaculture	Total	Marine	Inland & Aquaculture	Total
1 Colombo	1,400	990	2,390	1,245	445	1,690	1,045	295	1,340
2 Gampaha	20,620	1,400	22,020	19,275	1,200	20,410	17,255	740	17,995
3 Kalutara	37,850	850	38,700	31,710	965	32,675	25,970	440	26,410
4 Kandy	-	1,380	1,380		1,285	1,285		1,210	1,210
5 Matale	-	1,790	1,790		1,715	1,715		1,645	1,645
6 Nuwara eliya	-	620	620		530	530		490	490
7 Galle	45,760	270	46,030	46,280	175	46,455	49,775	215	49,990
8 Matara	24,320	920	25,240	21,505	895	22,400	26,820	840	27,660
9 Hambantota	33,315	5,200	38,515	30,515	5,320	35,815	23,590	6,490	30,080
10 Jaffna	17,715	400	18,115	22,280	365	22,645	29,375	355	29,730
11 Mannar	19,405	1,640	21,045	23,290	1,110	24,400	21,275	740	22,015
12 Vavunia	-	770	770		645	645		315	315
13 Mullaitivu	6,390	1,340	7,730	9,630	1,450	11,080	12,335	1,645	13,980
14 Kilinochchi	3,860	890	4,750	5,130	1,035	6,165	7,945	755	8,700
15 Batticaloa	10,530	4,450	14,980	13,685	4,915	18,600	13,910	4,265	18,175
16 Ampara	7,345	12,300	19,645	11,890	14,195	26,085	14,210	13,780	27,990
17 Trincomalee	16,340	11,910	28,250	16,650	10,190	26,840	31,785	9,905	41,690
18 Kurunegala	-	8,330	8,330		10,455	10,455		8,105	8,105
19 Puttalam	35,760	15,280	51,040	40,860	13,315	54,260	33,140	9,505	42,645
20 Anuradhapura	-	21,800	21,800		21,380	21,380		19,055	19,055
21 Polonnaruwa	-	13,670	13,670		10,770	10,770		11,120	11,120
22 Badulla	-	2,810	2,810		3,270	3,270		1,965	1,965
23 Monaragala	-	6,115	6,115		6,025	6,025		7,175	7,175
24 Ratnapura	-	1,440	1,440		1,440	1,440		1,270	1,270
25 Kegalle	-	55	55		35	35		10	10
Total	280,610	116,620	397,230	293,945	113,125	407,070	308,430	102,330	410,760

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources and National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Note: ** : National Fish Production is the sum of production of Marine and Inland Fishing.

Table 4.4: Marine Sector Fish Catch by Fisheries Districts (Mt)

Fisheries District	1983	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1 Negombo	19,030	16,670	30,570	34,540	16,940	28,250	36,260	24,030	24,930	20,620	19,275	17,255
2 Colombo	2,320	2,980	2,550	3,130	560	1,990	6,770	1,460	1,580	1,400	1,245	1045
3 Kalutara	7,630	10,670	28,910	33,140	11,560	43,360	32,350	42,300	42,260	37,850	31,710	25,970
4 Galle	8,590	11,780	21,430	27,830	11,210	21,830	55,240	40,460	45,305	45,760	46,280	49,775
5 Matara	8,980	11,230	29,930	35,480	17,090	38,970	35,190	24,260	23,630	24,320	21,505	26,820
6 Tangalle	7,330	10,240	23,260	33,470	6,220	20,170	66,100	46,100	41,205	33,315	30,515	23,590
7 Kalmunai	10,650	7,710	7,290	9,210	7,940	16,380	18,240	8,910	8,780	7,345	11,890	14,210
8 Batticaloa	4,460	5,920	8,360	9,860	7,650	39,610	27,790	12,600	11,710	10,530	13,685	13,910
9 Trincomalee	13,510	9,580	9,130	13,540	6,790	36,250	24,770	20,810	25,220	16,340	16,650	31,785
10 Mullaitivu	6,960	2,290	400	500	780	1,360	10,080	7,830	13,695	6,390	9,630	12,335
11 Kilinochchi	na	na	na	na	1,460	560	13,800	6,910	5,365	3,860	5,130	7,945
12 Jaffna	49,740	14,450	3,400	6,400	12,790	20,890	29,290	32,450	25,090	17,715	22,280	29,375
13 Mannar	19,040	7,410	700	1,200	8,380	10,790	19,390	19,320	16,880	19,405	23,290	21,275
14 Puttalam	14,860	19,190	27,020	29,730	11,670	24,830	43,790	26,120	30,990	22,965	22,205	19,625
15 Chilaw	11,640	15,670	24,550	25,650	9,360	27,020	33,830	13,370	15,035	12,795	18,655	13,515
Total	184,740	145,790	217,500	263,680	130,400	332,260	452,890	326,930	331,675	280,610	293,945	308,430

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries
Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
na : Not available

Table 4.5: Marine Sector Fish Catch by Major Commercial Groups (Mt)

Commercial Groups			1983	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Thora	Seer	3,510	3,210	2,990	3,130	2,970	10,200	8,940	7,360	4,880	3,675	3,650	4,670
2	Paraw	Travelly	11,590	8,040	8,910	10,450	5,950	16,740	34,050	13,610	12,910	9,810	11,015	12,720
3	Balaya	Skipjack tuna	13,570	12,230	33,550	49,110	28,040	66,910	54,040	46,520	48,770	46,120	44,130	48,710
4	Kelawalla	Yellowfin tuna	9,280	8,410	26,050	29,320	17,030	45,450	46,430	37,930	31,190	29,890	30,260	33,300
5	Tuna like fishes	Other blood fish	16,320	9,190	17,640	27,890	16,560	48,930	46,930	39,680	38,790	29,510	23,090	23,465
6	Thalapath	All Bill fishes	***	***	***	***	***	***	26,040	14,950	12,150	8,120	13,480	9,570
7	Mora / Maduwa	Shrks/Sketes	19,160	14,830	22,120	28,790	6,430	13,290	5,860	10,290	8,730	6,105	5,050	5,960
8	Gal Malu	Rock fish	7,920	6,780	10,450	14,910	10,570	20,150	34,960	18,060	16,320	12,470	13,460	15,860
9	Shore seine varieties	Small fishes	81,780	67,920	60,610	76,250	24,870	77,210	136,790	96,470	115,040	103,585	118,495	121,445
10	Issa	Shrimps	4,460	4,470	8,000	7,540	4,680	17,640	20,090	12,770	11,340	7,280	7,260	8,810
11	Pokirissa	Lobsters	610	630	950	1,150	240	890	630	155	250	160	165	150
12	Kakuluwa	Crabs	**	**	**	**	**	6,260	9,670	8,100	8,330	6,890	7,100	8,600
13	Others	Other marine varieties	16,540	10,080	26,230	15,140	13,060	8,590	28,460	21,035	22,975	16,995	16,790	15,170
Total			184,740	145,790	217,500	263,680	130,400	332,260	452,890	326,930	331,675	280,610	293,945	308,430

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

*** Includes in Other blood fish group

** Includes in Others group

Table 4.6: Marine Fish Production by District and Major Commercial Groups - 2023 (Mt) **Provisional**

Fisheries District	Thora (Seer)	Paraw (Trevally)	Balaya (Skipjack tuna)	Kelawalla (Yellowfin tuna)	Tuna like fishes (other blood fishes)	Thalapath (Billfish)	Mora/Maduwa (Sharks/Skates)	Gal Ma'lu (Rock fish)	Shore Seine (Small fish)	Issa (Shrimps)	Pokirissa (Lobster)	Kakuluwa (Crabs)	Other fish	Total
1 Negombo	310	510	1,450	8,460	340	2,720	990	540	3,175	380	10	30	360	19,275
2 Colombo	40	120	20	10	160	5	10	70	570	30	10	20	180	1,245
3 Kalutara	90	160	12,175	1,335	4,620	3,670	280	150	9,160	5	15	-	50	31,710
4 Galle	210	840	6,960	5,070	4,470	270	390	720	25,770	20	10	10	1,540	46,280
5 Matara	95	100	7,630	4,980	3,720	1,640	180	220	2,435	5	10	-	490	21,505
6 Tangalle	150	350	7,890	1,280	3,570	380	120	500	15,715	5	35	10	510	30,515
7 Kalmunai	350	515	1,700	790	450	370	460	530	5,850	135	20	120	600	11,890
8 Batticaloa	900	1,140	2,605	1,360	530	1,590	290	1,150	2,880	330	20	70	820	13,685
9 Trincomalee	350	790	1,170	1,910	1,770	890	110	1,720	6,405	630	5	380	520	16,650
10 Mullaithivu	360	860	160	10	600	20	210	780	5,355	440	5	260	570	9,630
11 Kilinochchi	5	190	-	-	-	-	170	680	2,085	390	-	730	880	5,130
12 Jaffna	510	1,420	80	50	640	200	1,130	2,530	8,800	2,470	-	2,000	2,450	22,280
13 Mannar	40	2,100	180	5	100	20	80	1,390	12,045	780	10	1,710	4,830	23,290
14 Puttalam	180	1,360	1,810	1,530	1,790	670	460	1,420	7,415	1,440	10	1,660	2,460	22,205
15 Chilaw	60	560	300	3,470	330	1,035	170	1,060	10,835	200	5	100	530	18,655
Total	3,650	11,015	44,130	30,260	23,090	13,480	5,050	13,460	118,495	7,260	165	7,100	16,790	293,945

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Note: Estimated based on the monthly fish production reports submitted by the Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions

Table 4.7: Marine Fish Production by District and Major Commercial Groups - 2024 (Mt) **Provisional**

Fisheries District	Thora (Seer)	Paraw (Trevally)	Balaya (Skipjack tuna)	Kelawalla (Yellowfin tuna)	Tuna like fishes (other blood fishes)	Thalapath (Billfish)	Mora/Maduwa (Sharks/Skates)	Gal Ma'lu (Rock fish)	Shore Seine (Small fish)	Issa (Shrimps)	Pokirissa (Lobster)	Kakuluwa (Crabs)	Other fish	Total
1 Negombo	370	210	1,240	7,430	315	1,050	1,030	440	4,490	310	15	35	320	17,255
2 Colombo	30	80	10	20	230	10	20	70	460	20	5	5	85	1,045
3 Kalutara	50	180	12,570	2,180	3,165	2,020	320	110	5,230	-	15	-	130	25,970
4 Galle	320	950	6,920	5,800	5,230	80	310	820	27,790	40	10	10	1,495	49,775
5 Matara	80	80	10,210	5,070	3,530	1,600	230	310	4,315	-	5	-	1,390	26,820
6 Tangalla	130	240	7,820	1,240	1,810	370	150	610	10,710	10	40	20	440	23,590
7 Kalmunai	550	740	1,600	1,090	755	600	660	560	6,820	30	20	20	765	14,210
8 Batticaloa	830	1,190	2,270	1,950	750	1,070	410	1,600	3,080	310	5	40	405	13,910
9 Trincomalee	470	1,640	3,550	2,780	4,600	420	490	2,780	12,990	960	5	470	630	31,785
10 Mullaithivu	420	930	320	10	530	160	250	1,100	7,200	410	5	350	650	12,335
11 Kilinochchi	80	450	-	-	-	-	270	840	3,560	610	-	1,470	665	7,945
12 Jaffna	990	2,520	120	70	955	220	810	3,740	10,840	2,850	-	3,130	3,130	29,375
13 Mannar	130	1,510	180	30	195	100	380	1,200	11,350	1,480	10	1,440	3,270	21,275
14 Puttalam	90	1,640	1,420	1,820	1,020	820	460	1,120	6,880	1,510	10	1,350	1,485	19,625
15 Chilaw	130	360	480	3,810	380	1,050	170	560	5,730	270	5	260	310	13,515
Total	4,670	12,720	48,710	33,300	23,465	9,570	5,960	15,860	121,445	8,810	150	8,600	15,170	308,430

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Note: Estimated based on the monthly fish production reports submitted by the Fisheries Inspectors of DFAR for their FI Divisions

Table 4.8: Inland and Aquaculture Production by Type of Waterbody (Mt)

	System	2015	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Capture Fishery	Minor Perennial Reservoirs	3,826	3,685	3,351	3,441	2,013	1,403	-	
	Seasonal Tanks	2,713	5,726	4,550	5,486	4,114	3,716	5,048	2,198
	Villu	678	1,887	610	630	215	210	-	
	Rivers and Cannals	857	3,484	4,820	8,130	6,685	7,740	7,723	6,448
	Flood Plains		53	59	43	64	106	120	97
	Sub-Total	8,074	14,835	13,390	17,730	13,091	13,175	12,891	8,743
Culture Base Capture Fishery	Major Perennial Reservoirs	19,894	25,678	25,746	25,505	23,962	29,061	26,191	25,795
	Medium Perennial Reservoirs	10,626	10,007	11,147	13,417	13,738	16,465	14,839	14,867
	Minor Perennial Reservoirs	18,060	18,859	21,410	26,068	28,465	34,315	38,093	36,310
	Villu	400	1,641	1,537	1,590	1,467	1,847	1,428	1,484
	Rivers and Cannals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Sub-Total	48,980	56,185	59,840	66,580	67,632	81,688	80,551	78,456
Aquaculture (Freshwater)	Seasonal Tanks	2,368	2,236	3,690	4,475	4,369	5,421	5,320	5,383
	Estate Tanks	25	243	178	501	191	327	534	397
	Estate Ponds		6	10	21	4	18	7	12
	Cage Culture		15	13	9	39	3	4	259
	Pen Culture		6	4	10	7	2	3	30
	Ponds	232	384	210	204	235	294	326	1
	Sub-Total	2,625	2,890	4,105	5,220	4,845	6,065	6,194	6,082
Aquaculture (Brackishwater)	Shrimp Farms	6,836	8,180	6,400	7,360	14,410	14,080	11,600	7,321
	Lagoons (Fish)	548	4,869	5,683	3,999	2,691	-	-	-
	Ponds	15	137	588	391	527	181	157	252
	Cage Culture	52	352	28	182	455	868	1,193	991
	Pen Culture	5	196	280	340	580	563	539	479
	Raft		27	15	3	1	-	-	0
	Cement Tank		19	11	5	3	-	-	0
	Sub-Total	7,456	13,780	13,005	12,280	18,667	15,692	13,489	9,043
Total		67,135	87,690	90,340	101,810	104,235	116,620	113,125	26,054
Seaweed(Wet)		165	320	247	421	218	271	1,729	795

Source : Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

National Aquaculture Development Authority (NAQDA)

Table 4.9: Inland and Aquaculture Fish Production by District (Mt)

District	1998	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1 Colombo	80	110	160	120	570	360	915	990	445	295
2 Gampaha	360	600	690	190	310	1,710	1,690	1,400	1,200	740
3 Kalutara	570	590	180	100	430	2,660	1,140	850	965	440
4 Kandy	130	170	310	320	680	940	1,335	1,380	1,285	1,210
5 Matale	230	290	330	720	840	1,550	1,360	1,790	1,715	1,645
6 Nuwara Eliya	30	30	80	90	170	540	510	620	530	490
7 Galle	40	30	30	60	490	720	330	270	175	215
8 Matara	20	30	10	40	230	1,040	1,255	920	895	840
9 Hambantota	1,420	1,510	1,460	3,280	4,210	5,870	5,395	5,200	5,320	6,490
10 Jaffna	100	250	180	80	-	200	270	400	365	355
11 Mannar	140	230	na	220	1,350	1,000	1,155	1,640	1,110	740
12 Vavunia			290	490	1,500	700	345	770	645	315
13 Mullaitivu	120	270	na	10	400	840	805	1,340	1,450	1,645
14 Kilinochchi			na	10	490	720	695	890	1,035	755
15 Batticaloa	1,950	3,590	2,460	1,640	2,330	1,830	3,910	4,450	4,915	4,265
16 Ampara	970	1,290	2,270	6,140	2,710	19,060	14,230	12,300	14,195	13,780
17 Trincomalee	3,460	3,960	1,240	1,840	6,720	4,380	9,460	11,910	10,190	9,905
18 Kurunegala	2,140	2,180	2,140	4,390	2,620	6,450	6,035	8,330	10,455	8,105
19 Puttalam	6,430	6,490	7,210	5,820	10,620	8,390	14,800	15,280	13,315	9,505
20 Anuradhapura	5,190	6,690	5,640	11,920	11,940	21,850	19,325	21,800	21,380	19,055
21 Polonnaruwa	3,690	4,870	4,730	7,950	7,160	9,510	8,685	13,670	10,770	11,120
22 Badulla	590	660	820	1,240	880	2,680	1,775	2,810	3,270	1,965
23 Monaragala	2,140	2,750	1,870	2,950	7,770	7,440	7,435	6,115	6,025	7,175
24 Ratnapura	90	100	730	2,770	2,860	1,330	1,325	1,440	1,440	1,270
25 Kegalle	10	10	na	20	20	40	55	55	35	10
Total	29,900	36,700	32,830	52,410	67,300	101,810	104,235	116,620	113,125	102,330

Source : Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Note : Estimated based on the monthly fish production estimates provided by the field staff of NAQDA

na : Negligible amount

Table 4.10 : Inland Fish Catch Estimates by Major Species

Species	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Tilapia	28,250	32,000	39,590	39,070	46,610	40,504	57,810	52,100	57,770	51,200	50,880
Carps/Mirigal	3,740	3,680	3,570	3,450	3,920	2,847	7,220	7,760	9530	11,010	8,435
Catla/Rohu	9,760	11,260	12,460	8,980	11,020	9,117	9,935	11,950	14,180	15,525	12,930
Hiri Kanaya	2,620	1,940	670	590	580	358	200	290	990	1,530	1,280
Lula	1,930	630	1,770	2,040	2,230	1,582	2,160	2,130	2,920	3,260	3,920
Cultured Shrimps	3,480	4,150	3,310	4,430	5,150	7,090	7,360	14,410	14,080	11,600	7,320
Freshwater prawns	240	260	290	540	460	374	1,165	1,040	680	800	590
Cultured Milk fish & Sea bass	30	100	130	90	70	78	275	520	880	1,190	995
Sea cucumber							340	580	560	540	480
Oyster and Crabs		30	32	40	38	53	60	31	12	10	10
Lobster							5	3	-	-	
Other wild fish	2,360	5,510	7,128	7,680	5,672	5,297	15,280	13,421	15,018	16,460	15,490
Total	52,410	59,560	68,950	66,910	75,750	67,300	101,810	104,235	116,620	113,125	102,330

Source : Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

National Aquaculture Development Authority (NAQDA)

Note - Other wild fish includes wild fish, Cuttle fish, Squid, Mussels, Grouper

Table 4.11 : Shrimps Production (Mt)

Year	Shrimps			Exported Quantity ⁽¹⁾
	Aquaculture	Wild Capture	Total	
1990	680	4,470	5,150	1,855
1995	3,600	8,000	11,600	2,781
2000	4,360	7,540	11,900	4,855
2005	1,570	4,680	6,250	1,800
2010	3,480	17,640	21,120	1,262
2015	7,090	20,090	27,180	1,341
2016	6,030	19,720	25,750	1,667
2017	4,630	17,620	22,250	1,845
2018	8,180	16,970	25,150	1,984
2019	6,400	16,930	23,330	2,115
2020	7,360	12,770	20,130	1,781
2021	14,410	11,340	25,750	4,747
2022	14,080	7,280	21,360	5,486
2023	11,600	7,260	18,860	4,020
2024	7,321	8,810	16,131	3,432

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

(1) Exported volume of shrimps as in custom returns

Table 4.12: Shrimps Production (Aquaculture)

District	Description	2008	2010	2014	2015	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Puttalam	No. of Farms	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
	No. of Ponds	1,795	2,350	4,235	4,184	3,264	2,493	2,911	2,769	2,410	1,905
	Area (Ha)	902	1,186	2,038	2,011	1,626	1,328	1,739	1,938	1,368	1,208
	Production (Mt)	2,230	3,319	4,850	6,702	5,437	6,240	12,440	11,576	9,115	6,144
Batticaloa	No. of Farms	na	na	na	na	66	48	na	na	49	50
	No. of Ponds	-	18	224		178	169	327	185	178	184
	Area (Ha)	-	38	205		110	101	193	105	137	87
	Production (Mt)	-	161	300	388	421	375	1,040	1,124	1,386	451
Mannar	No. of Farms	-	-	-	-	na	2	2	4	5	6
	No. of Ponds	-				23	26	26	39	55	68
	Area (Ha)	-				22	24	24	23.74	43.6	43.9
	Production (Mt)	-				542	745	930	1,255	911	627
Other*	No. of Farms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
	No. of Ponds								15	15	17
	Area (Ha)	-	-	-	-	-		-	7.2	7	7.24
	Production (Mt)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	125	188	99
Total	No. of Farms ⁽¹⁾	na	na	na	na	66	50	2	5	55	57
	No. of Ponds	1,795	2,368	4,459	4,184	3,465	2,688	3,264	3,008	2,658	2,174
	Area (Ha)	902	1,224	2,243	2,011	1,758	1,453	1,956	2,073	1,556	1,346
	Production (Mt)	2,230	3,480	5,150	7,090	6,400	7,360	14,410	14,080	11,600	7,321

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

* Including Nandikadal Lagoon, Mulathivu

na - not available

(1) without not available farms

Section 05

Aquaculture Development Programme

Table 5.1: Stocking of Fish Fingerlings

Type of Water body	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Major Reservoirs										
No. of Tanks	32	32	38	41	39	41	41	40	39	39
Area (ha)	64,830	63,298	75,599	78,132	73,851	79,635	77,230	80,467	78,634	71,971
Stocks (Mn)	6	11.7	22.8	30.1	21.1	24.3	28.6	44.81	19.07	23.25
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	7,214	8,312	8,450	8,220	8,798	8,410	8,550	7,922	7,950
Medium Reservoirs										
No. of Tanks	63	66	70	78	77	77	80	82	75	74
Area (ha)	23,374	24,485	26,327	28,355	28,021	27,832	28,477	29,600	26,972	26,861
Stocks (Mn)	10	16.3	23.5	31.2	26.4	26.7	29.9	33.77	20.97	20.56
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	4,326	5,169	5,280	5,200	5,045	5,056	5,150	4,296	4,270
Minor Reservoirs										
No. of Tanks	293	257	270	288	230	315	320	348	261	270
Area (ha)	12,795	15,426	16,140	17,900	14,900	19,400	19,600	23,000	16,200	16,750
Stocks (Mn)	11	15.9	30.1	32.8	23.4	29.8	34.3	43.20	21.45	22.50
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	4,450	7,041	7,400	5,500	7,263	7,380	7,500	6,100	6,300
Seasonal Tanks										
No. of Tanks	450	453	97	491	819	538	735	971	339	285
Area (ha)	4,675	5,889	1,165	6,350	10,750	7,100	9,400	13,000	4,500	3,800
Stocks (Mn)	7	7.1	1.8	9.1	12.0	9.3	13.2	17.21	6.43	5.45
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	4,980	1,150	6,000	10,000	7,000	9,800	12,500	4,100	3,450
Ponds and Other										
No. of Ponds	549	654	600	1,170	850	504	259	376	385	210
Area (ha)	193	33	31	60	45	27	15	20	23	13
Stocks (Mn)	1	2.0	1.4	3.5	4.6	2.4	2.4	2.95	2.85	1.14
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	654	600	1,170	850	504	259	368	375	200
Other										
Stocks (Mn)	-	0.7	1.5	3.7	1.0	2.1	2.4	2.6	1.1	1.5
Total										
No. of Tanks/Ponds	1,387	1,462	1,075	2,068	2,015	1,475	1,435	1,817	1,099	878
Area (ha)	105,867	109,131	119,262	130,797	127,567	133,994	134,722	146,087	126,329	119,395
Stocks (Mn)	34.3	53.7	81.2	110.3	88.4	94.5	110.9	144.56	71.82	74.36
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	21,624	22,272	28,300	29,770	28,610	30,905	34,068	22,793	22,170

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Note : Beneficiaries are the members of fisheries organizations

Other: Lagoons/ Villu/ Cages

na - Not available

Table 5.2: Stocking of Post Larve (Freshwater Prawns)

Type of Water body	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Major Reservoirs								
No. of Tanks	34	30	29	23	33	21	21	21
Area (ha)	68,452	57,953	53,855	39,909	69,665	47,687	42,034	37,875
Stocks (Mn)	21.94	22	31.27	41.8	15.4	16.7	16.83	11.25
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	7,880	na	5,198	4,075	6,036	4,500	3,925	3,187
Medium Reservoirs								
No. of Tanks	49	48	38	33	59	46	38	40
Area (ha)	16,824	17,780	14,525	11,716	21,620	17,420	13,317	12,178
Stocks (Mn)	17.54	25	17.97	19.9	17.13	19.6	15.59	13.54
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	3,590	na	2,241	1,930	3,474	3,000	2,381	1,967
Minor Reservoirs								
No. of Tanks	114	132	114	75	142	80	98	86
Area (ha)	7850	9438	6783	7,050	8,600	7,150	6,757	6,090
Stocks (Mn)	17.23	23	16.07	13.90	17.16	10.10	12.68	10.97
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	2320	na	2004	1,377	2,600	1,500	1,946	1,384
Seasonal Tanks								
No. of Tanks	1	3	1	6	4	1	7	19
Area (ha)	12	30	12	58	40	12	105	190
Stocks (Mn)	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.1	0.21	0.01	0.34	0.96
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	15	na	15	60	40	15	35	101
Ponds								
No. of Ponds	73	36	51	33	7	9	31	25
Area (ha)	4	2	2.7	6.8	1.5	1.6	16	13
Stocks (Mn)	0.33	0	0.47	0.4	0.08	0.18	0.19	0.23
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	73	36	51	33	7	9	31	25
Other								
No of Units	na	8	2	6	9	10	2	2
Area (ha)	na	na	na	423	na		230	777
Stocks (Mn)	3.7	3	0.115	1.5	2.18	1.2	0.47	0.996
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	na	na	na	62	na			8
Total								
No. of Tanks/Ponds	271	257	235	176	254	167	197	193
Area (ha)	93,142	85,203	75,178	59,163	99,927	72,271	62,459	57,123
Stocks (Mn)	60.84	73.10	65.92	77.60	52.16	47.70	46.10	37.95
Beneficiaries/ Fishermen	13,878	36	9,509	7,537	12,157	9,024	8,318	6,672

Source : National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Note : Beneficiaries are the members of fisheries organizations

Not stocked in seasonal tanks in 2014

Others : Lagoons/ Villu

Table 5.3.1: Stocking of Post Larvae (Penaeus monodon)

District	Area (Ha)	2010	2011	2015	2016	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Puttalam	No. of Farms	777	925	1,217	1,300	1,096	1,003	1,035	410	155	171	341
	No. of Ponds	2,406	3,088	4,404	4,457	3,710	3,071	2,690	1,306	502	442	882
	Area (Ha)	1,202	1,591	2,058	2,298	1,800	1,584	1,268	640	265	190.9	511
	No of circular Tanks							2				
	Stocking (Mn)	209.0	264.0	319.0	423.3	375.3	315.3	322.0	96.7	79.3	74.5	117.1
Batticaloa	No. of Farms	-	-	44	71	76	44	43	46	45	42	42
	No. of Ponds	-	-	164	165	192	132	151	198	146	130	181
	Area (Ha)	37.94	51.53	106	106	121	87	101	124	88	83	104.84
	Stocking (Mn)	10.8	16.5	16.0	18.4	34.9	18.0	21.0	28.6	27.4	28.4	16.3
Mannar	No. of Farms						2	2	2	-	-	
	No. of Ponds						26	26	-	-	-	
	Area (Ha)						23	23	-	-	-	
	Stocking (Mn)						36.50	10.40	-	-	-	
Nandikadal Lagoon, Mulathivu	Stocking (Mn)	-	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Chunidikulam Lagoon,	Stocking (Mn)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	No. of Farms	777	925	1,261	1,371	1,172	1,049	1,080	458	200	213	383
	No. of Ponds	2,406	3,088	4,568	4,622	3,902	3,229	2,867	1,504	648	572	1063
	No. of Circular Tanks							2				
	Area (Ha)	1,240	1,642	2,164	2,404	1,921	1,694	1,392	764	353	274	615.84
	Stocking (Mn)	219.79	282.03	335.00	441.73	410.16	369.79	353.40	125.24	107	103	133.455

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Table 5.3.2: Stocking of Post Larvae (*Litopenaeus Vannamei*)

District	Area (Ha)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Puttalam	No. of Farms	697	1,128	777	925	-	na	795	784	943	561
	No. of Ponds	2,203	3,055	2,406	3,088	-	758	2,224	2,258	2,567	1,500
	Area (Ha)	1,098.0	1,386.0	1,202.0	1,590.7	-	416.5	1,141.8	1,082.1	1,325.9	866.0
	Stocking (Mn)	178.0	247.0	209.0	264.0	-	152.9	492.5	563.5	521.2	314.8
Batticaloa	No. of Farms	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	3	3	9
	No. of Ponds	-	-	-	-	-	21	51	48	56	74
	Area (Ha)	-	-	37.9	51.5	-	9.6	22.6	15.0	12.9	26.6
	Stocking (Mn)	-	-	10.8	16.5	-	9.4	17.9	28.3	48.0	35.1
Mannar	No. of Farms	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	4	4	6
	No. of Ponds	-	-	-	-	23	26	26	35	51	68
	Area (Ha)	-	-	-	-	21.9	23.5	23.5	31.6	35.6	43.9
	Stocking (Mn)	-	-	-	-	36.6	25.1	72.7	50.0	46.0	51.7
Hambantota	No. of Farms								1.0	1	1
	No. of Ponds								15.0	15	17
	Area (Ha)								7.2	7.2	7.2
	Stocking (Mn)								7.2	9.0	10.2
Nandikadal Lagoon, Mulathivu	Stocking (Mn)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chunidikulam Lagoon, Kilinochchi/ Jaffna	Stocking (Mn)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Circular Tanks	No. of Tanks	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	39	56	
	Stocking (Mn)	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	10.0	9.6	
Total	No. of Farms	697	1,128	777	925	1	4	800	792	951	577
	No. of Ponds	2,203	3,055	2,406	3,088	23	805	2,301	2,356	2,689	1,642
	Area (Ha)	1,098.0	1,386.0	1,239.9	1,642.2	21.9	449.5	1,187.9	1,136.0	1,382.0	943.7
	Stocking (Mn)	178.0	247.0	219.8	280.5	36.6	187.4	591.7	649.0	633.8	411.8

[Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)]

Table 5.4: Production of Fish Fingerlings (Mn)

Source of Production	2008	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Aquaculture Centres											
Iginiyagala	1.90	10.34	10.40	11.04	9.86	3.67	4.95	7.36	7.90	5.01	6.27
Dambulla	2.42	13.36	7.50	6.60	9.30	6.54	9.01	7.79	5.86	5.35	4.65
Udawalawe	2.24	12.28	13.41	10.89	15.55	7.80	6.22	7.63	9.89	4.51	6.11
Carp centre	1.19	4.08	5.96	4.70	6.50	3.35	2.40	4.21	5.23	2.31	2.47
Thilapia centre	1.05	8.20	7.45	6.19	8.91	3.18	1.96	2.35	2.37	1.06	1.42
Udawalawe (Carp)-New					0.14	1.27	1.86	1.07	2.29	1.14	2.22
Nuwara - Eliya	0.15	0.24	0.33	0.16	0.18	0.22	0.17	0.37	0.53	0.36	0.40
Kalawewa	-	1.84	3.93	5.22	7.01	3.44	3.78	4.26	7.16	2.12	1.63
Polonnaruwa	-	1.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iranamadu	-	0.38	0.64	0.94	2.01	3.92	3.76	4.51	5.47	2.44	3.77
Muruthawela	-	-	1.42	3.21	4.29	2.51	2.64	3.15	4.26	2.01	2.39
Sewanapitiya						1.08	5.81	7.06	6.64	3.71	2.33
Sub-Total	6.71	39.79	37.63	38.06	48.20	29.18	36.34	42.14	47.71	25.51*	27.54
Other											
Community based Mini - Hatcheries	6.60	7.24	10.34	13.39	16.74	15.03	12.07	17.23	20.90	10.09	4.94
Water based Mini-Hatcheries					0.46	0.04	0.42	0.22	-	20.31	-
Private Ponds	5.50	5.84	4.00	3.30	7.12	14.26	15.14	26.75	47.00	15.90	17.01
Pens & Cages	1.00	2.40	18.12	28.16	38.79	30.09	31.91	25.24	29.82	20.31	25.73
Sub-Total	13.10	15.48	32.46	44.85	63.11	59.42	59.54	69.45	97.72	66.61	47.68
Total	19.81	55.27	70.09	82.91	111.31	88.60	95.88	111.59	145.43	92.12	75.22

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

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Table 5.5: Production of Post Larve (Mn)

Source of Production	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Freshwater prawns (Macrobrachium rosenbergii)											
Aquaculture Centres											
Pambala	1.77	1.78	2.40	2.73	6.46	9.51	13.50	11.55	4.67	14.85	11.08
Kahandamodara	11.27	19.94	24.84	38.63	44.65	37.09	30.20	22.97	18.98	13.05	10.81
Kallar						3.36	16.00	17.83	12.35	9.07	5.36
Sub-total	13.04	21.72	27.24	41.36	51.11	49.96	59.70	52.35	36	36.97	27.25
Other											
Private hatcheries		2.00	12.60	19.04	22.65	15.95	18.00		11.65	9.12	10.69
Total	13.04	23.72	39.84	60.40	73.76	65.91	77.70	52.35	47.65	46.1	37.94
Shrimps (Penaeus monodon)											
Puttalam (Private)	296.00	463.00	532.91	461.31	484.70	428.00	398.00	177.50	85.97	87.75	73.195
Pudukudirippu, Batticaloa (Public Private Partnership)	-	20.98	21.37	17.13	35.20	***	***	14.77	0.5	1	*
Total	296.00	483.98	554.28	478.44	519.90	428.00	398.00	192.27	86.47	88.75	73.195
Shrimps (Litopenaeus vannamei)											
Puttalam						40.70	277.67	544.19	651.24	669.33	352.87
Batticaloa						1.40	11.37	**	**	**	*
Total						42.10	289.04	544.19	651.24	669.33	352.87

***Note: PL of shrimp (penaeus monodon) Hatchery is transferred to shrimps (Litopenaeus vannamei) hatchery

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Table 5.6: Production of Fish Fingerlings and Post Larvae by species in Aquaculture Centers of NAQDA, 2010-2024(Mn)

Variety	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fish Fingerlings											
Tilapia	7.9	24.4	30.1	21.2	24.3	16.6	16.6	13.9	19.8	12.51	12.5
Carp	6.7	5.9	8.1	1.9	3.5	2.6	4.4	3.8	4.1	1.9	1.5
Catla/Rohu	18.9	16.2	18.7	10.5	11.0	5.6	11.8	17.2	15.2	6	7.7
Hirikanaya	1.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	-	0.3	0.1	0.5	0	-
Milk Fish	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mirigal	-	-	12.6	4.1	9.3	4.4	3.2	5.8	7.7	5.09	5.9
Other	-	8.5	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	0.4	-	-
Total	34.9	55.3	69.7	38.1	48.2	29.2	36.3	42.1	47.7	25.5	27.5
Post Larvae											
Freshwater Prawns	13.0	23.7	39.8	41.4	51.1	65.9	77.7	52.4	47.7	46.1	37.9
Shrimps* ⁽¹⁾		484.0	554.3	478.4	519.9	428.0	398.0	192.3	86.5	88.8	73.195
Shrimps* ⁽²⁾						42.1	289.0	544.2	651.2	669.3	352.9

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

Note : * Under Public Private Partnership

(1) Penaeus Monodon

(2) Litopenaeus Vannamei

Table 5.7: Production of Fish Fingerlings by species in Aquaculture Centers of NAQDA, 2024(Mn)

Aquaculture Development Centre	Tilapia	Rohu	Catla	Common/Jia n Carp	Mrigal	Other⁽¹⁾	Total
Inginiyagala	1.75	0.74	0.48	0.02	2.02	0.00	6.27
Dambulla	3.89	0.16	0.28	0.20	0.10	0.72	4.65
Udawalawe (Carp)	0.00	0.97	0.29	0.10	0.95	0.00	2.47
Udawalawe (Tilapia)	1.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.42
Udawalawe new	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.00	2.22
Nuwara-Eliya	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.40
Kala wewa	1.36	0.34	0.10	0.19	0.13	0.00	1.63
Iranamadu	1.19	0.36	0.89	0.00	0.00	0.19	3.77
Muruthawela	0.44	0.44	0.45	0.01	0.48	0.00	2.39
Sewanapitiya	1.92	0.33	0.18	0.12	1.16	0.00	2.33
Sub - Total	12.51	3.33	2.67	1.00	5.09	0.91	27.54
Other							
Community based Mini- Hatcheries							4.94
Water based Mini hatcheries							-
Private Ponds							17.01
Pens & Cages							25.73
Sub - Total							47.68
Total							75.22

Source: National Aquaculture Development Authority of Sri Lanka (NAQDA)

(1) Other carp varieties, Hirikanaya, etc.

Section 06

External Trade of Fish and Fishery Products

Table 6.1: Summary of Import and Export of Fish and Fishery Products

Year	Exports		Imports		Balance of Fish Trade		Exchange Rate	Contribution to National Exports Earnings (%)
	Quantity (Mt)	Value (RS.Mn)	Quantity (Mt)	Value (RS.Mn)	(Rs.Mn)	US \$ Mn	Rs./1 US\$	
2000	18,554	10,328	77,339	5,132	5,196	68.6	75.78	2.6
2005	15,985	10,695	76,584	7,099	3,596	35.8	100.50	1.7
2006	18,647	14,440	77,382	9,681	4,759	45.8	103.96	2.1
2007	21,422	19,123	86,156	11,961	7,162	64.7	110.62	2.3
2008	20,594	19,077	76,266	12,521	6,556	60.5	108.33	2.2
2009	18,714	21,015	75,411	13,939	7,076	61.6	114.94	2.6
2010	18,325	19,834	80,013	14,162	5,672	50.2	113.06	2.1
2015	17,461	24,716	120,046	30,729	-6,013	-44.2	135.94	1.8
2016	17,593	26,802	115,693	35,172	-8,370	-57.5	145.60	1.8
2017	24,827	39,230	106,020	33,969	5,261	34.5	152.46	2.3
2018	27,998	47,949	84,463	32,726	15,222	93.7	162.54	2.5
2019	28,771	53,483	95,637	38,952	14,531	81.3	178.78	1.5
2020	21,298	39,874	85,809	35,504	4,370	23.6	185.52	2.2
2021	26,749	63,222	56,176	25,080	38,142	191.9	198.88	2.6
2022	25,730	97,243	41,737	21,664	75,579	231.8	324.55	2.3
2023	24,503	99,118	48,808	26,734	72,384	220.5	327.53	2.6 ^(a)
2024	22,556	86,241	58,351	36,672	58,351	36,671.7	302.12	2.4

Source : Statistics Unit/ Ministry of Fisheries

Note : Fisheries sector tables are prepared by SU/MOF based on the monthly custom returns

(a) Revised

Table 6.2 : Export Quantity of Fish and Fishery Products (Mt)

Exported Item	1983	1990	1995	2000	2005	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Shrimps	1,720	1,855	2,781	4,855	1,800	1,341	1,781	4,747	5,486	4,020	3,432
Lobsters	207	165	283	164	183	204	99	196	114	127	82
Crabs	na	na	898	554	1,012	1,710	1,360	1,662	1,850	1,678	2,187
Beche de Mer	56	36	248	87	258	169	326	336	418	401	252
Ornamental Fish	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Chank & Shells	144	na	746	698	546	289	221	306	271	269	465
Shark Fins	57	51	127	119	74	39	55	95	79	100	100
Molluscs	na	1	51	15	300	1,371	1,477	2,168	2,088	3,115	2,211
Fish Maws	na	na	1	1	1	2	2	4	7	7	10
Food Fish	209	821	1,978	11,873	10,960	11,807	13,858	16,130	14,959	14,380	13,451
Others	-	-	12	188	851	529	2,119	1,105	458	407	367
Export Quantity	2,393	2,931	7,126	18,554	15,985	17,461	21,298	26,749	25,730	24,504	22,556

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Note : Ornamental fish or live fish are exported in water containers. Hence their quantity not estimated

Table 6.3: Export Value of Fish and Fishery Products (Rs. Million)

Exported Item	1983	1990	1995	2000	2005	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Shrimps	296	486	2,153	5,042	1,769	1,971	3,235	8,462	13,175	10,393	8,921
Lobsters	38	50	260	157	267	777	352	879	1,061	1,437	790
Crabs	na	na	181	154	363	2,050	3,068	6,113	7,797	7,878	9,056
Beche de Mer	15	27	148	143	333	482	1,581	1,967	3,806	4,897	3,202
Ornamental Fish	28	68	273	593	756	2,392	2,409	4,193	7,143	8,641	7,392
Chank & Shells	3	na	41	90	124	109	141	201	228	255	234
Shark Fins	19	35	163	305	165	171	341	680	922	1,314	1,175
Molluscs	na	13	16	14	98	739	1,410	2,228	3,882	6,084	4,367
Fish Maws	na	na	2	1	1	6	34	76	156	238	290
Food Fish	17	175	413	3,782	6,335	15,528	25,498	37,199	57,528	56,704	49,731
Others	-	-	4	47	484	491	1,805	1,224	1,546	1,277	1,082
Export Value	417	854	3,655	10,328	10,695	24,716	39,874	63,222	97,243	99,118	86,241

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Table 6.4: Imported Quantity of Fish and Fishery Products (Mt)

Imported Item	1983	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2018*	2019*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Maldivian Fish	840	1,615	3,371	4,317	5,542	2,871	2,216	2,318	2,521	2,545	2,188	1,538	1,715	1,943
Dried Fish	10,345	24,115	44,799	50,550	44,608	45,781	33,053	32,704	35,059	42,746	32,585	29,922	29,536	35,192
Canned Fish	5,594	3,684	20,169	21,894	20,229	16,705	49,016	28,068	36,806	26,044	8,758	3,431	7,904	4,476
Food Fish*	-	26	4	467	4,912	13,635	33,867	18,694	18,536	12,801	10,166	3,822	5,983	11,697
Others	-	4	4	111	1,293	1,022	1,894	2,680	2,715	1,674	2,480	3,024	3,670	4,827
Total	16,778	29,444	68,347	77,339	76,584	80,013	120,046	84,464	95,637	85,810	56,177	41,737	48,808	58,135

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

*Revised

Table 6.5: Value of Imported Fish and Fishery Products (Rs. Mn.)

Imported Item	1983	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2018*	2019*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Maldivian Fish	29	92	413	656	832	1,301	1,658	1,528	1,668	1,924	1,453	926	926	1,422
Dried Fish	189	587	1,739	2,979	2,916	6,287	9,510	13,592	14,778	17,280	13,990	13,426	12,522	19,941
Canned Fish	127	223	1,215	1,470	2,304	3,772	11,919	8,616	13,650	10,764	4,891	2,672	6,173	3,318
Food Fish	-	42		19	694	2,507	6,764	7,323	7,411	4,659	3,401	2,108	2,744	5,186
Others	-	-	3	8	353	295	878	1,667	1,445	878	1,345	2,533	4,370	6,806
Total	344	945	3,370	5,132	7,099	14,162	30,729	32,726	38,952	35,505	25,080	21,664	26,735	36,673

*Revised

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Table 6.6: Quantity of Exported Fish and Fishery Products by Countries

Year	Total Quantity (Mt)	Exported Quantity by Countries									
		European Union		Other European		U. S. A.		Japan		Other Non European	
		Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%
2008	20,594	11,537	56.0	528	2.6	1,313	6.4	2,221	10.8	4,995	24.3
2010	18,325	10,220	55.8	468	2.6	1,176	6.4	2,148	11.7	4,314	23.5
2015	17,461	2,065	11.8	673	3.9	4,392	25.2	2,289	13.1	8,043	46.1
2020	21,298	6,750	31.7	2,015	9.5	1,719	8.1	1,462	6.9	9,352	43.9
2021	26,749	8,527	31.9	3,108	11.6	2,141	8.0	2,142	8.0	10,832	40.5
2022	25,730	8,211	31.9	2,982	11.6	2,173	8.4	2,046	8.0	10,318	40.1
2023	24,503	7,492	30.6	2,861	11.7	2,704	11.0	1,492	6.1	9,954	40.6
2024	22,556	6,618	29.3	3,109	13.8	3,438	15.2	909	4.0	8,483	37.6

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Table 6.7: Value of Exported Fish and Fishery Products by Countries

Year	Total Quantity (Mn)	Value of Exports by Countries									
		European Union		Other European		U. S. A.		Japan		Other Non European	
		Value (RsMn)	%	Value (RsMn)	%	Value (RsMn)	%	Value (RsMn)	%	Value (RsMn)	%
2008	19,077	13,830	72.5	464	2.4	767	4.0	1,291	6.8	2,726	14.3
2010	19,834	12,987	65.5	446	2.2	1,150	5.8	1,867	9.4	3,384	17.1
2015	24,716	4,774	19.3	1,096	4.4	7,551	30.6	2,712	11.0	8,583	34.7
2016	26,802	5,239	19.5	1,091	4.1	8,777	32.7	2,757	10.3	8,938	33.4
2017	39,230	11,052	28.2	1,458	3.7	10,140	25.8	3,190	8.1	13,390	34.1
2018	47,949	16,024	33.4	1,496	3.1	11,239	23.4	3,783	7.9	15,407	32.1
2019	53,483	20,300	38.0	1,898	3.5	10,181	19.0	2,877	5.4	18,227	34.1
2020	39,874	16,118	40.4	4,005	10.0	5,203	13.0	2,596	6.5	11,951	30.0
2021	63,222	24,654	39.0	7,148	11.3	8,864	14.0	4,503	7.1	18,054	28.6
2022	97,243	37,906	39.0	10,448	10.7	12,830	13.2	6,607	6.8	29,453	30.3
2023	99,118	34,157	34.5	10,508	10.6	17,691	17.8	4,670	4.7	32,091	32.4
2024	86,241	30,460	35.3	10,636	12.3	17,895	20.7	3,076	3.6	24,174	28.0

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Table 6.8: Quantity of Tuna Exported by Countries

Year/ Month	Total Quantity (Mt)	Exported Quantity by Countries									
		European Union		Other European		U. S. A.		Japan		Other Non	
		Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%	Quantity (Mt)	%
2008	6,147	4,073	66.3	121	2.0	651	10.6	1,083	17.6	219	3.6
2010	4,856	3,138	64.6	160	3.3	286	5.9	788	16.2	484	10.0
2015	9,845	1,491	15.1	517	5.2	3,027	30.7	908	9.2	3,902	39.6
2020	8,992	3,576	39.8	1,317	14.6	864	9.6	164	1.8	3,071	34.2
2021	9,936	4,601	46.3	1,912	19.2	457	4.6	2	0.0	2,963	29.8
2022	9,317	4,159	44.6	1,832	19.7	646	6.9	-	-	2,681	28.8
2023	8,006	3,115	38.9	1,431	17.9	1,135	14.2	4	-	2,321	29.0
2024	4,813	1,824	37.9	698	14.5	803	16.7	-	-	1,488	30.9

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Table 6.9: Value of Tuna Exported by Countries

Year/ Month	Total Value (Rs.Mn)	Value of Exports by Countries									
		European Union		Other European		U. S. A.		Japan		Other Non	
		Value (Rs.Mn)	%	Value (Rs.Mn)	%	Value (Rs.Mn)	%	Value (Rs.Mn)	%	Value (Rs.Mn)	%
2008	5,727	5,109	89.2	159	2.8	117	2.0	209	3.6	133	2.3
2010	5,260	4,339	82.5	208	4.0	278	5.3	241	4.6	194	3.7
2015	13,688	3,018	22.0	855	6.2	4,969	36.3	808	5.9	4,038	29.5
2020	17,003	8,597	50.6	2,502	14.7	2,163	12.7	185	1.1	3,556	20.9
2021	24,816	13,867	55.9	4,286	17.3	1,517	6.1	3	0.0	5,144	20.7
2022	37,731	20,338	53.9	6,226	16.5	3,247	8.6	-	-	7,920	21.0
2023	34,624	15,963	46.1	5,366	15.5	6,164	17.8	6	-	7,125	20.6
2024	19,777	9,217	46.6	2,490	12.6	4,113	20.8	-	-	3,958	20.0

Source : Custom Returns/ Statistics Unit - Ministry of Fisheries

Table 6.10 Supply of Dried Fish

Year	Local Production ⁽¹⁾	Imported ⁽²⁾			Total Dried Fish
		Sprats	Other	Total	
1995	12,000	14,676	30,123	44,799	56,799
2000	24,360	19,133	31,417	50,550	74,910
2005	7,560	21,516	23,092	44,607	52,167
2010	46,570	27,304	18,477	45,781	92,351
2011	52,230	27,593	19,589	47,182	99,412
2012	61,320	25,181	14,251	39,433	100,753
2013	68,200	23,471	14,138	37,610	105,810
2014	71,810	24,874	10,406	35,280	107,090
2015	57,450	24,607	8,445	33,053	90,503
2016	64,720	24,457	10,521	34,978	99,698
2017	60,190	22,798	10,214	33,012	93,202
2018*	61,250	23,198	9,506	32,704	93,954
2019*	54,880	24,806	10,254	35,059	89,939
2020	59,760	31,102	11,643	42,746	102,505
2021	51,340	25,071	7,514	32,585	83,925
2022	22,960	23,724	6,198	29,922	52,882
2023	22,340	22,759	6,777	29,536	51,876
2024	24,850	27,363	7,829	35,191	60,041

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

* Revised

(1) Annual Estimates

(2) Custom Returns

Section 07

Fish Prices

Table 7.1: Annual Average Retail Prices (Consumer) of Fresh Fish in Colombo Region - (Rs/Kg)

	Retail	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Salaya/Sardinella	254.00	292.00	310.00	647.00	689.00	640.00
2	Hurulla/ Herrings	484.00	533.00	613.00	935.00	1,014.00	1,013.00
3	Balaya/ Skipjack tuna	699.00	673.00	784.00	1,330.00	1,457.00	1,308.00
4	Kelawalla/ Yellowfin tuna	1,011.00	1,009.00	1,296.00	2,184.00	2,426.00	2,261.00
5	Thora/ Seer	1,544.00	1,468.00	2,015.00	3,057.00	3,545.00	3,741.00
6	Para/ Travelly	1,052.00	1,136.00	1,343.00	2,231.00	2,506.00	2,404.00
7	Mora/ Sharks	891.00	841.00	1,043.00	1,666.00	1,870.00	1,887.00
8	Thalapath/ Sail fish	1,168.00	1,205.00	1,511.00	2,488.00	2,856.00	2,855.00
9	Kumbalawa/ Indian mackerel	567.00	604.00	656.00	1,066.00	1,156.00	1,096.00
10	Gal malu/ Rock fish	801.00	973.00	1,191.00	1,940.00	2,247.00	2,154.00
11	Issa/ Prawns	1,159.00	1,184.00	1,197.00	1,599.00	1,844.00	2,032.00
12	Theppili/ Thilapia	483.00	466.00	595.00	841.00	1,036.00	978.00

Source : Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Note : Retail prices at Maharagama, Kirulapone, Wellampitiya, Dematagoda, Battaramulla and Nugegoda retail markets

Table 7.2: Annual Average Wholesale Prices of Fresh Fish at Main Fish Market in Colombo - (Rs/Kg)**

	Wholesale	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Salaya/Sardinella	193.00	236.00	196.00	452.00	417.00	375.00
2	Hurulla/ Herrings	374.00	420.00	447.00	692.00	673.00	719.00
3	Balaya/ Skipjack tuna	359.00	341.00	409.00	723.00	825.00	727.00
4	Kelawalla/ Yellowfin tuna	613.00	576.00	687.00	1,232.00	1,257.00	1,241.00
5	Thora/ Seer	1,385.00	1,304.00	1,099.00	1,781.00	1,972.00	1,981.00
6	Para/ Travelly	574.00	625.00	652.00	1,166.00	1,213.00	1,158.00
7	Mora/ Sharks	602.00	584.00	628.00	977.00	1,037.00	994.00
8	Thalapath/ Sail fish	696.00	701.00	970.00	1,608.00	1,731.00	1,744.00
9	Kumbalawa/ Indian mackerel	474.00	505.00	464.00	802.00	858.00	817.00
10	Gal malu/ Rock fish	467.00	610.00	697.00	1,182.00	1,242.00	1,197.00
11	Issa/ Prawns	923.00	996.00	878.00	1,235.00	1,386.00	1,573.00
12	Theppili/ Thilapia	355.00	378.00	395.00	507.00	480.00	460.00
	US\$/Rs	178.78	185.52	198.88	363.10	327.53	302.12

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

** - Colombo St. Jones Fish Market (up to April 2011) / Peliyagoda Fish Market

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Table 7.3: Monthly Average Wholesale Fish Prices at Main Fish Market in Colombo -2023**

Species	2021	2022	2023												2023
	Annual Average	Annual Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Average
Salaya	196.00	452.47	409.98	375.70	373.69	468.03	473.42	560.00	555.51	514.14	434.26	246.54	229.68	368.90	417.49
Hurulla	447.00	692.26	745.80	685.29	657.00	686.43	834.38	1,057.29	869.88	610.16	533.72	383.69	395.00	616.82	672.96
Balaya	409.00	723.50	684.38	634.73	668.78	798.07	1,103.57	1,180.43	983.03	853.87	862.50	664.73	641.67	819.05	824.57
Kelawalla	687.00	1,232.21	1,168.16	1,120.54	1,058.21	1,081.79	1,488.38	1,551.13	1,572.62	1,357.05	1,402.09	1,020.27	1,116.67	1,142.35	1,256.61
Thora	1,099.00	1,780.94	2,036.99	1,898.22	1,669.88	1,588.69	1,733.33	2,318.16	2,843.75	2,311.01	2,023.14	1,583.03	1,496.41	2,159.82	1,971.87
Paraw	652.00	1,165.94	1,226.19	1,094.35	1,068.10	1,170.15	1,341.97	1,440.18	1,357.08	1,285.62	1,328.57	1,056.88	929.76	1,253.47	1,212.69
Mora	628.00	977.10	980.54	959.05	878.65	1,058.34	1,106.83	1,222.50	1,287.50	1,074.58	1,123.96	850.00	912.26	987.08	1,036.77
Thalapath	970.00	1,607.58	1,545.83	1,409.52	1,326.07	1,496.13	1,995.98	2,221.91	2,071.13	1,937.22	2,045.24	1,607.74	1,492.56	1,623.51	1,731.07
Kumbala	464.00	802.48	780.80	785.57	727.23	832.74	1,118.75	1,291.49	1,173.51	957.59	914.29	550.17	434.22	733.33	858.31
Mullet	697.00	1,182.20	1,244.65	1,119.94	1,058.93	1,196.70	1,359.59	1,506.88	1,470.83	1,394.50	1,400.89	1,074.17	899.52	1,183.33	1,242.49
Prawns	878.00	1,235.01	1,501.96	1,491.82	1,399.71	1,332.14	1,243.31	1,376.19	1,409.38	1,430.95	1,480.06	1,381.73	1,279.17	1,306.74	1,386.10
Tilapia (M)	395.00	506.60	425.00	466.67	500.00	375.00	548.33	655.56		525.00	400.00	350.00	425.00		467.06

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

** Peliyagoda Central Fish Market

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Table 7.4: Monthly Average Wholesale Fish Prices at Main Fish Market in Colombo -2024**

Species	2022	2023	2024												2024
	Annual Average	Annual Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Average
Salaya	452.47	417.49	368.36	340.66	305.95	445.24	492.64	485.27	301.76	328.28	326.34	328.33	401.79	372.47	374.76
Hurulla	692.26	672.96	625.00	688.10	634.38	627.41	724.11	838.99	722.92	646.01	734.08	669.20	822.62	890.84	718.64
Balaya	723.50	824.57	683.75	599.70	514.29	685.80	942.84	932.58	714.14	725.90	788.93	718.04	696.73	719.82	726.88
Kelawalla	1,232.21	1,256.61	1,204.82	1,193.90	999.17	1,144.58	1,361.79	1,450.00	1,267.71	1,251.49	1,355.46	1,116.67	1,307.74	1,239.52	1,241.07
Thora	1,780.94	1,971.87	2,068.57	1,833.51	1,799.47	1,791.43	2,058.93	2,355.42	2,471.25	1,882.74	2,034.82	1,859.82	1,741.07	1,880.00	1,981.42
Paraw	1,165.94	1,212.69	1,145.36	1,126.79	1,016.25	1,078.22	1,247.32	1,388.13	1,217.10	1,059.67	1,186.61	1,103.93	1,122.62	1,206.07	1,158.17
Mora	977.10	1,036.77	938.57	895.83	889.20	1,137.92	1,080.21	1,040.48	1,052.50	993.75	1,026.25	933.93	950.63	988.75	994.00
Thalapath	1,607.58	1,731.07	1,782.14	1,734.23	1,500.00	1,558.75	1,822.32	2,016.66	1,771.73	1,627.38	1,951.79	1,697.32	1,721.13	1,747.32	1,744.23
Kumbala	802.48	858.31	743.30	722.06	728.87	859.17	956.88	1,092.82	960.42	816.92	752.98	664.43	692.71	819.46	817.50
Mullet	1,182.20	1,242.49	1,130.36	1,139.59	1,034.46	1,168.66	1,293.93	1,473.01	1,385.42	1,119.64	1,202.92	1,105.36	1,122.50	1,185.00	1,196.74
Prawns	1,235.01	1,386.10	1,436.61	1,467.56	1,596.67	1,692.26	1,527.79	1,470.84	1,513.69	1,591.67	1,588.69	1,559.82	1,613.39	1,818.75	1,573.14
Tilapia (M)	506.60	467.06	425.00	350.00	400.00	491.67	559.38	570.83	527.78	510.00	383.34	429.17	452.78	420.00	459.99

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

** Peliyagoda Central Fish Market

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Table 7.5: Monthly Average Retail Prices of Fish at Colombo Suburb Markets - 2023 (Rs/Kg)

Item	2021	2022	2023											2023
	Annual Average	Annual Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec Annual Average
Salaya	310.00	646.76	629.33	656.25	669.50	714.38	779.00	823.00	810.50	771.33	800.25	540.00	485.50	587.42 688.87
Hurulla	613.00	934.90	1,030.42	1,038.75	1,032.63	1,038.17	1,218.50	1,373.67	1,244.81	1,089.50	922.00	645.75	641.25	887.33 1,013.57
Balaya	784.00	1,329.65	1,384.00	1,381.75	1,388.38	1,405.00	1,706.13	1,810.88	1,711.88	1,521.75	1,465.00	1,286.90	1,158.25	1,269.25 1,457.43
Kelawalla	1,296.00	2,184.49	2,389.92	2,218.83	2,052.86	2,176.75	2,901.38	3,017.67	2,899.16	2,608.50	2,604.75	2,040.25	2,088.67	2,110.17 2,425.74
Thora	2,015.00	3,056.80	3,542.75	3,379.00	3,263.58	2,977.75	3,402.50	4,059.88	4,295.42	3,915.00	3,628.25	3,002.50	3,197.33	3,876.25 3,545.02
Paraw	1,343.00	2,230.85	1,791.67	2,295.00	2,327.00	2,375.42	2,608.25	2,893.25	2,969.75	2,718.00	2,744.75	2,249.25	2,067.00	2,505.25 2,462.05
Mora	1,043.00	1,666.03	1,791.67	1,764.33	1,946.75	1,826.25	1,949.00	2,073.50	2,097.50	2,021.33	1,846.75	1,686.25	1,708.75	1,731.58 1,870.31
Thalapath	1,511.00	2,488.29	2,758.17	2,513.52	2,382.59	2,523.67	3,187.83	3,434.46	3,254.17	3,090.75	3,171.67	2,729.25	2,573.25	2,650.08 2,855.78
Kumbala	656.00	1,065.74	1,061.25	1,102.75	1,072.75	1,052.50	1,368.75	1,492.91	1,463.50	1,260.92	1,209.00	957.00	799.25	1,034.63 1,156.27
Mullet	1,191.00	1,940.33	2,325.00	2,252.50	2,151.25	2,193.50	2,323.25	2,614.50	2,381.75	2,229.00	2,262.50	2,115.75	1,955.00	2,164.25 2,247.35
Prawns	1,197.00	1,598.97	1,948.50	1,944.75	1,936.75	1,756.67	1,776.92	1,894.25	1,877.88	1,839.92	1,852.50	1,751.00	1,730.17	1,818.00 1,843.94
Tilapiya(M)	595.00	841.34	1,125.00	1,075.00	1,097.50	1,100.00	1,090.00	1,116.67		1,097.50	1,056.67	877.67	865.00	890.00 1,035.55

Source : Statistics Unit of the Ministry of Fisheries

Note : Retail prices at Maharagama, Kirulapone, Wellampitiya, Dematagoda, Battaramulla and Nugegoda retail markets

Table 7.6: Monthly Average Retail Prices of Fish at Colombo Suburb Markets - 2024 (Rs/Kg)

Item	2022	2023	2024											2024
	Annual Average	Annual Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec Annual Average
Salaya	646.76	688.87	578.75	635.75	574.58	651.92	716.04	755.42	677.00	642.42	569.00	577.58	644.63	652.50 639.63
Hurulla	934.90	1,013.57	933.75	971.00	950.50	911.84	1,027.08	1,182.50	1,036.92	929.25	1,090.21	938.75	1,039.00	1,150.42 1,013.43
Balaya	1,329.65	1,457.43	1,318.25	1,219.17	1,101.04	1,259.17	1,511.67	1,765.00	1,362.08	1,277.00	1,330.00	1,198.33	1,174.67	1,175.42 1,307.65
Kelawalla	2,184.49	2,425.74	2,094.75	2,263.17	1,886.67	1,992.67	2,352.83	2,491.67	2,345.00	2,341.50	2,553.83	2,188.83	2,364.00	2,255.00 2,260.83
Thora	3,056.80	3,545.02	3,812.00	3,499.00	3,192.75	3,224.50	3,916.58	3,983.75	4,415.42	3,791.50	3,734.58	3,839.17	3,610.00	3,872.50 3,740.98
Paraw	2,230.85	2,506.15	2,348.75	2,313.00	2,092.75	2,221.67	2,659.42	2,784.58	2,385.67	2,394.00	2,479.17	2,304.00	2,473.59	2,387.34 2,506.15
Mora	1,666.03	1,870.31	1,805.25	1,941.25	1,839.58	1,990.83	1,992.50	2,022.67	2,030.83	1,795.83	1,789.00	1,705.21	1,783.33	1,949.50 1,887.15
Thalapath	2,488.29	2,855.78	2,753.00	2,738.50	2,448.17	2,521.58	2,895.84	3,181.67	3,093.33	2,958.84	3,016.17	2,858.00	2,895.33	2,899.00 2,854.95
Kumbala	1,065.74	1,156.27	1,069.25	1,020.00	973.34	1,103.33	1,256.00	1,357.67	1,226.25	1,147.21	991.25	931.46	1,022.09	1,049.59 1,095.62
Mullet	1,940.33	2,247.35	2,089.75	2,137.33	2,014.17	2,091.67	2,187.50	2,221.66	2,194.17	2,075.42	2,231.25	2,170.00	2,207.50	2,221.67 2,153.51
Prawns	1,598.97	1,843.94	1,884.50	1,908.88	2,063.84	2,231.75	2,136.25	1,962.08	1,973.83	1,994.00	2,017.83	1,967.75	1,972.29	2,268.34 2,031.78
Tilapiya(M)	841.34	1,035.55	930.00	955.00	846.67	1,030.00	1,120.00	1,073.33	990.00	983.33	960.00	933.33	982.50	935.56 978.31

Source : Statistics Unit of the Ministry of Fisheries

Note : Retail prices at Maharagama, Kirulapone, Wellampitiya, Dematagoda, Battaramulla and Nugegoda retail markets

Table 7.7 Wholesale prices of Local Driedfish at Pettah (Rs/Kg) - 2024

Month	Sprats	Kattawa	Thora	Mora	Balaya	Angulawa	Maduwa	koduwa	Salaya
January			2350.00	1705.00	975.42			2387.50	640.00
February		1651.67	2226.67	1795.00	937.50			2300.00	682.50
March	1343.75	1575.00	3025.00	1690.83	843.13				451.25
April	1300.00	1668.33	3025.00	1775.00	846.88			980.00	476.25
May	1287.50	1793.33	2825.00	1758.33	1043.75	1616.67		950.00	843.75
June	1562.50	1850.00	2962.50	1901.67	1179.17			1500.00	847.50
July	1525.00	1837.50	3100.00	1870.83	1039.38			1700.00	493.33
August	1620.00	1760.00	3337.50	1801.67	1018.25				557.50
September	1562.50	1687.50	3290.00	1781.25	1135.63			2400.00	592.50
October	1431.25	1687.50	3083.75	1802.92	1176.88			1916.67	520.00
November	1112.50	1700.00	2750.00	1925.00	1060.63			1850.00	581.67
December	1200.00	1512.50		1902.50	981.46				780.00
Average	1394.50	1702.12	2906.86	1809.17	1019.84	1616.67		1776.02	622.19

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Table 7.8 Wholesale Prices of Imported Dried Fish at Pettah (Rs/Kg) - 2024

Month	Sprats	Kattawa	Thora	Mora	Balaya	Angulawa	Maduwa	koduwa	Salaya
January	1101.25	1313.75		1767.50		1660.83			
February	1016.88	1350.63		1733.33		1683.33			
March	879.38	1298.75		1695.00		1440.83			
April	869.38	1317.50		1725.00		1426.88			
May	850.63	1288.75		1828.13		1423.96			
June	855.00	1377.50		1895.00		1385.00			
July	944.38	1383.13		1821.88		1437.50			
August	955.00	1368.75		1731.25		1487.50			
September	935.00	1300.63		1666.88		1545.63			
October	990.63	1255.00		1695.83		1558.13			
November	934.38	1201.88		1759.17		1563.13			
December	890.00	1203.75		1742.50		1660.00			
Average	935.16	1,305.00		1,755.12		1,522.73			

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

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Table 7.9 Retail Prices of Local Dried Fish at Colombo and Suburbs Markets (Rs/Kg) -2024

Month	Sprats	Kattawa	Thora	Mora	Balaya	Angulawa	Maduwa	Koduwa	Salaya
January	2,000.00	2,975.00	3,550.00	2,491.67	1831.25			2362.50	1218.75
February	2,012.50	2,931.25	3,568.75	2,490.00	1810.00			2612.50	1245.00
March	1,866.67	2,920.83	3,550.00	2,458.33	1925.00			2450.00	1091.67
April	1,912.50	2,933.33	3,475.00	2,433.33	1812.50			2387.50	1133.33
May	1,950.00	2,916.67	3,925.00	2,500.00	1962.50			2400.00	1250.00
June	2,241.67	2,866.67	4,350.00	2,504.17	2200.00				1475.00
July	2,341.67	2,950.00	4,125.00	2,487.50	2512.50				1400.00
August	2,350.00	2,975.00	3,950.00	2,483.33	2331.25				1250.00
September	2,141.67	2,987.50	3,575.00	2,516.67	2312.50				1293.75
October	1,983.33	2,941.67	3,487.50	2,441.67	2375.00				1262.50
November	1,916.67	2,900.00	4,250.00	2,466.67	2262.50				1225.00
December	1,941.67	2,926.67	4,287.50	2,529.17	2168.75				1456.25
Average	2,054.86	2,935.38	3,841.15	2,483.54	2,125.31			2,442.50	1,275.10

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Table 7.10 Retail Prices of Imported Dried Fish at Colombo and Suburbs Markets (Rs/Kg) -2024

Month	Sprats	Kattawa	Thora	Mora	Balaya	Angulawa	Maduwa	Koduwa	Salaya
January	1,356.67	2,679.17		2,562.50		2,825.00			
February	1,241.67	2,687.50		2,537.50		2,643.75			
March	1,208.33	2,820.83		2,487.50		2,268.75			
April	1,241.67	2,908.33		2,425.00		2,450.00			
May	1,195.83	2,908.33		2,550.00		2,625.00			
June	1,254.17	2,870.83		2,562.50		2,225.00			
July	1,287.50	2,854.17		2,550.00		2,925.00			
August	1,287.50	2,891.67		2,487.50		2,950.00			
September	1,329.17	2,887.50		2,450.00		2,862.50			
October	1,320.83	2,833.33		2,481.25		2,862.50			
November	1,225.00	2,783.33		2,550.00		2,950.00			
December	1,241.67	2,825.00		2,500.00		2,925.00			
Average	1,265.83	2,829.17		2,511.98		2,709.38			

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

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Section 8

Fisheries Contribution in Economy

Table 8.1: Gross Domestic Product by Industrial Origin at Current Market Prices (Rs. Mn)

Year	Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	Agriculture Sector	Fishing		Total
			Marine	Inland	
2010	6,629,667	599,857	80,602	10,155	90,757
2015	11,566,987	950,452	153,055	15,962	169,017
2016	12,812,975	930,442	165,878	14,923	180,801
2017	14,387,319	1,069,075	165,710	19,795	177,744
2018	15,351,933	1,165,529	158,847	27,913	179,315
2019	15,910,976	1,154,540	176,421	28,170	196,989
2020†	15,646,254	1,291,023	140,588	32,018	172,606
2021†	17,612,370	1,548,117	154,681	33,327	188,008
2022†	24,063,162	2,032,845	222,241	43,291	274,721
2023*†	27,419,804	2,227,561	253,898	45,270	299,168
2024	29,898,564	2,481,487	243,937	40,735	284,672

Source: National Accounts Reports, Department of Census and Statistics

Rebased GDP Estimates 2015 – 2021 (Annual & Quarters)-Production Approach-New base year = 2015

Revised based on National Account Estimates of Sri Lanka 2015 - 2023

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Table 8.2: Gross Domestic Product by Industrial Origin at Constant (2015) Market Prices (Rs. Mn)

Year	Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	Agriculture Sector	Fishing		Total
			Marine	Inland	
2010	8,494,944	746,960	113,448	12,431	125,879
2014	11,100,121	901,893	155,239	17,966	173,205
2015	11,566,987	950,452	153,055	15,962	169,017
2016	12,151,540	906,100	154,249	17,536	171,785
2017	12,936,612	889,557	151,558	19,417	170,975
2018	13,235,458	945,292	149,782	20,815	170,597
2019	13,206,276	949,582	141,700	21,444	163,144
2020†	12,595,550	941,046	111,307	24,166	135,473
2021	13,125,505	950,548	112,814	24,742	137,567
2022	12,160,886	911,252	95,447	27,682	121,133
2023*	11,877,556	925,822	100,099	26,739	126,838
2024	12,472,469	937,104	104,947	24,290	129,237

Source: National Accounts Reports, Department of Census and Statistics

Rebased GDP Estimates 2015 – 2021 (Annual & Quarters)-Production Approach-New base year = 2015

Revised based on National Account Estimates of Sri Lanka 2015 - 2023

*Provisional Estimates for the Annual 2023 and Revised Estimates for the Annual 2022 & 2023 (15th March, 2024)

**Provisional Estimates for the Annual 2023 and Revised Estimates for the Annual 2022 & 2023 (15th March, 2024)

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Table 8.3 : Average Monthly Household Fish Consumption (grams)

Household Size	2002/ 2003		2006/2007		2009/2010		2012/2013		2016		2019	
	4.2 Persons		4.1 Persons		4.0 Persons		3.9 Persons		3.8 Persons		3.7 Persons	
Species	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%
Balaya/Kelawalla	653.7	22.2	712.8	23.2	333.8	9.3	322.1	9.1	306.4	8.3	104.2	10.4
Kelawalla					275.7	7.7	276.8	7.8	280.8	7.6	85.5	8.6
Mora	32.5	1.1	35.2	1.1	28.5	0.8	25.7	0.7	19.7	0.5	5.6	0.6
Thalapath	129.9	4.4	131.7	4.3	113.7	3.2	137.7	3.9	171.4	4.7	51.5	5.1
Paraw	134.4	4.6	121.8	4.0	181.6	5.1	173.4	4.9	181.0	4.9	47.9	4.8
Seer	64.2	2.2	30.3	1.0	23.7	0.7	31.8	0.9	24.8	0.7	6.2	0.6
Maduwa											3.6	0.4
Other	267.7	9.1	292.2	9.5	487.9	13.6	472.1	13.3	431.0	11.7	117.5	11.7
Large Fish Total	1,282.4	43.5	1,324.0	43.1	1,445.0	40.3	1,439.6	40.7	1,415.1	38.5	422.0	42.2
Sprats	89.5	3.0	48.0	1.6	74.6	2.1	62.7	1.8	46.2	1.3	14.3	1.4
Hurulla/Salaya	723.0	24.5	659.3	21.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hurulla					403.4	11.2	354.5	10.0	246.0	6.7	60.3	6.0
Salaya/ Sudaya					409.0	11.4	347.4	9.8	343.1	9.3	92.1	9.2
Karalla/Katuwalla	37.3	1.3	30.3	1.0	36.0	1.0	41.0	1.2	25.8	0.7	7.1	0.7
Kumbala	79.0	2.7	76.1	2.5	83.7	2.3	79.5	2.2	96.7	2.6	28.7	2.9
Linna									206.7	5.6	60.6	6.1
Others	222.6	7.5	318.6	10.4	447.5	12.5	499.4	14.1	437.5	11.9	116.7	11.7
Small Fish Total	1,151.5	39.0	1,132.4	36.9	1,454.3	40.6	1,384.5	39.1	1,402.0	38.1	379.8	38.0
Lula	17.6	0.6	21.8	0.7	17.9	0.5	14.4	0.4	27.0	0.7	6.7	0.7
Thilapiya	364.1	12.3	418.0	13.6	432.6	12.1	450.8	12.7	589.9	16.0	130.1	13.0
Others	79.1	2.7	110.8	3.6	102.5	2.9	105.8	3.0	87.9	2.4	25.6	2.6
Inland Fish Total	460.8	15.6	550.6	17.9	553.0	15.4	571.0	16.1	704.9	19.2	162.4	16.2
Prawns	28.8	1.0	43.0	1.4	74.3	2.1	83.2	2.4	86.2	2.3	20.4	2.0
Crabs	13.7	0.5	10.7	0.3	22.8	0.6	22.9	0.6	30.8	0.8	7.6	0.8
Cuttle & Others	13.2	0.4	10.2	0.3	36.7	1.0	35.2	1.0	40.5	1.1	8.0	0.8
Crustacians Total	55.7	1.9	63.9	2.1	133.8	3.7	141.3	4.0	157.5	4.3	36.0	3.6
Total	2,950.4	100.0	3,071.0	100.0	3,586.1	100.0	3,536.4	100.0	3,679.5	100.0	1,000.2	100.0
Grams/Day/Person	23.4		25.0		29.9		30.2		32.3		9.0	

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Household Income and Expenditure Survey Reports - Department of Census & Statistics

Table 8.4 : Average Monthly Household Dried Fish Consumption

Survey Year	1995/1996		2006/2007		2009/2010		2012/2013		2016		2019	
Household Size	4.5 Persons		4.1 Persons		4.0 Persons		3.9 Persons		3.8 Persons		3.7 Persons	
Species	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%	Quantity (g)	%
Sprats	599.8	48.6	578.6	43.7	556.4	44.3	502.6	43.1	487.0	43.4	128.8	41.7
Keerameen	106.2	8.6	74.0	5.6	69.5	5.5	93.6	8.0	76.4	6.8	24.9	8.1
Salaya			52.0	3.9	48.5	3.9	48.2	4.1	43.7	3.9	10.8	3.5
Hurulla			32.8	2.5	34.4	2.7	41.6	3.6	22.9	2.0	6.1	2.0
Thalapath							18.6	1.6	20.7	1.8	5.8	1.9
Seer	18.4	1.5	9.9	0.7	5.7	0.5	4.3	0.4	4.1	0.4	1.0	0.3
Katta	102.2	8.3	76.4	5.8	78.4	6.2	75.2	6.5	74.8	6.7	21.5	7.0
Koduwa	2.7	0.2	1.6	0.1	1.9	0.2	2.6	0.2	1.5	0.1	0.7	0.2
Anjila			0.7	0.1	0.8	0.1	1.4	0.1	2.5	0.2	0.7	0.2
Balaya	253.0	20.5	176.4	13.3	140.2	11.2	111.9	9.6	113.2	10.1	34.1	11.1
Mora/Keelan	69.3	5.6	96.8	7.3	93.9	7.5	80.1	6.9	84.2	7.5	24.3	7.9
Paraw	7.2	0.6	6.6	0.5	6.6	0.5	6.4	0.5	5.8	0.5	1.8	0.6
Anguluwa	46.0	3.7	61.5	4.6	69.5	5.5	54.3	4.7	41.2	3.7	7.8	2.5
Prawns	11.2	0.9	4.8	0.4	9.0	0.7	6.7	0.6	9.2	0.8	2.1	0.7
Cuttle fish			0.9	0.1	1.3	0.1	0.9	0.1	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
Freshwater dried fishes	19.5	1.6	20.9	1.6	18.0	1.4	17.5	1.5	14.7	1.3	2.9	0.9
Freshwater smoked fishes									5.6	0.5	1.7	0.5
Other dried fishes			130.6	9.9	120.8	9.6	99.5	8.5	113.6	10.1	33.7	10.9
Total	1,235.4	100.0	1,324.4	100.0	1,255.0	100.0	1165.4	100.0	1,122.1	100.0	308.5	100.0
Grams/Day/Person	9.2		10.8		10.5		10.0		9.8		2.8	

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Household Income and Expenditure Survey Reports - Department of Census & Statistics

Table 8.5 : Per Capita Consumption of Fish, Dried Fish and Canned Fish (kg/year)

Item	1995/1996	2002/2003	2006/2007	2009/2010	2012/2013	2016	2019
Fresh Fish							
Marine large fish	2.6	3.7	3.9	4.3	4.4	4.5	1.4
Marine small fish	3.5	3.3	3.4	4.4	4.3	4.4	1.2
Freshwater fish	0.6	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.2	0.5
Other	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.1
Total	6.8	8.5	9.1	10.8	10.9	11.6	3.2
Dried Fish							
Marine Dried Fish	3.3	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.5	1.0
Freshwater Dried Fish	0.1	0.04	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Total	3.4	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.6	1.0
Canned Fish	0.26	0.75	0.7	0.7	0.6	1.4	0.9

Source: Statistics Unit, Ministry of Fisheries

Household Income and Expenditure Survey Reports - Department of Census & Statistics

Table 8.6: Monthly Household Expenditure for Fish and Fishery Products & Contribution to Food Basket

Description	1980/81	1990/91	1995/96	2006/07	2009/10	2012/13	2016	2019
Average Household Size	4.9	4.9	4.5	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.7
Avg. Household Expenditure (Rs) ⁽¹⁾	1,232	3,905	6,525	22,952	31,331	41,444	54,999	63,130
Avg. Household Expenditure for Food Items (Rs) ⁽¹⁾	801	2,377	3,552	8,641	13,267	15,651	19,114	22,130
Food Ratio ⁽²⁾ (%)	65.0	64.6	54.4	37.6	42.3	37.8	34.8	35.1
Contribution of fish to food basket (%) ⁽³⁾	4.9	5.1	6.6	8.6	8.8	9.2	9.5	9.4
Contribution of dried fish to food basket (%)	3.2	4.0	4.6	4.0	3.7	4.2	4.0	4.0

Source : Household Income and Expenditure Survey, Department of Census and Statistics

(1) At current price

(2) Proportion of expenditure on food and drink to total household expenditure

(3) Including canned fish