

REGIONAL MONTHLY CONSOLIDATED PRICE MONITORING REPORT (RCPMR)



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REGION: National Capital Region
NAME OF MARKETS: 1. Balintawak 3. Farmers 5. Commonwealth 7. Trabajo 9. Kamuning 10. Navotas Fish Port Complex (Mkt. 3, 4 and 5)
 2. Muñoz 4. Mega-Q 6. Tandang sora 8. Quinta 10. Galas
DATE COVERED: December 30, 2019-January 31, 2020

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1. <i>Chanos chanos</i>	Milkfish	Bangus								
		Small (6pcs and above)	120	120	120 & 130	120 & 130	130	120	130	120
		Medium (3-5 pcs)	140	160	160	180	160 & 180	160	180	140
		Large (1-2)	200	200	180	180	180	180	200	180
2. <i>Oreochromis niloticus</i>	Tilapia	Tilapia								
		Small (6 pcs and above)	60-120	100 & 120	110 & 120	50 & 120	110	120	120	50
		Medium (3-5 pcs)	120	120 & 130	120 & 130	120	120	120	130	120
		Large (1-2 pcs)	100-120	120	120 & 130	120	120	120	130	100
3. <i>Penaeus vannamei</i>	Whiteleg shrimp	Hipon								
		Small (61 pcs and above)	400	300	380	400	400	400	400	300
		Medium (31 pcs to 60pcs)	480 & 500	400	400	440 & 450	360	400	500	360
		Large (30 pcs and below)	500	400 & 500	400 & 480	500	480 & 500	500	500	400
<i>Penaeus monodon</i>	Blacktiger shrimp	Sugpo								
		Small (26 pcs and above)	600	600	250-600	250-850	500-750	600	850	250
		Medium (16-25 pcs)	780-900	500-850	350-850	750	600-850	850	900	350
		Large to Jumbo (15 pcs and below)	950-1000	1100	600-950	650	650-850	650 & 950	1100	650
4. <i>Gracilaria sp.</i>	Seaweeds	Guso	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
<i>Caulerpa lentillifera</i>	Seaweeds	Lato	160 & 200	200	200	200	200	200	200	160
<i>Kappaphycus alvarezii</i>	Seaweeds	Tambalang	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. <i>Crassostrea ireidalie</i>	Oyster	Talaba	100	100 & 120	100	100	100	100	120	100
6. <i>Perna viridis</i>	Mussel	Tahong	120	120 & 140	120	100	120	120	140	100
7. <i>Scylla serrata</i>	Mudcrab	Alimango								
		Male	650-1000	600	200-850	300-950	300	300	1000	200
		Female	750-1500	500-1200	500 & 700	300-1100	300	300 & 500	1500	300
8. <i>Portunus pelagicus</i>	Blue swimming Crab	Alimasag								
		Small/Medium (7 pcs and above)	200	200-300	200	200 & 300	200 & 300	200	300	200
		Large (1-6 pcs)	500 & 550	450	350	250 & 450	450	450	550	250
9. <i>Thunnus albacares</i>	Yellow fin	Tambakol								
		Whole	280	280	280	280	300	280	300	280
		Sliced	400	400	400	400	320	400	400	320
		Head	-	-	-	-	180	180	180	180
<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>	Skipjack	Gulyasan								
		Whole	150-280	220	240	200	200 & 240	200 & 240	280	150
		Sliced	-	-	280	180-280	280 & 300	280	300	180
<i>Auxis thazard</i>	Frigate	Tulingan	240		200-300	200 & 240	200	300	200	
<i>Auxis rochei</i>	Bullet	Tulingan	220 & 270	240	220	260 & 280	220 & 240	220	280	220
10. <i>Sardinella fimbriata</i>	Sardines	Tunsoy	100	120	120-150	100	100-140	100	150	100
<i>Sardinella lemuru</i>	Sardines	Tamban	70	50-90	50-180	120	100	50	180	50
<i>Sardinella gibosa</i>	Sardines	Tamban	-	-	340	-	200	200 & 340	340	200
11. <i>Rastriliger kanagurta</i>	Mackerel	Alumahan	200	320	300 & 350	260 & 300	240 & 320	300 & 320	350	200
<i>Scomberomorus commerson</i>	Mackerel	Tangigue	250 & 380	350	250-400	300 & 500	280	250	500	250
12. <i>Decapterus macrostoma</i>	Round scad	Galunggong								
		Small (21 pcs and above)	200 & 260	180-280	180-240	140-280	100	180 & 280	280	100
		Medium (11-20 pcs)	280	200	240	240	200	200 & 240	280	200
		Large (7-10 pcs)	-	240	-	-	140-280	140-280	280	140

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<i>13. Loliqo sp.</i>	Squid	Pusit								
		Lumot	360	400-550	400	350 & 500	380 & 400	400	550	350
		Bisava/Kalawang/ Lapis	150-400	280-450	400	400	400	400	450	150
<i>14. Lutjanus sp.</i>	Snapper	Maya-maya	650	600	360-450	400	350-420	350-650	650	350
<i>15. Epinephelus sp.</i>	Grouper	Lapu-lapu	400	350-600	400	400	350 & 400	400	600	350
<i>Epinephelus sp.</i>	Grouper (Red)	Lapu-lapu pula	400	300-750	450	400-650	600 & 650	400 & 650	750	300
OTHER FISHERY COMMODITIES										
<i>Caesio sp.</i>	Fusillier	Dalagang bukid								
		Bilog	200 & 360	320 & 360	300	300	240	300 & 360	360	200
		Lapad	350 & 400	400	400	300	400	400	400	300
<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>	Bigeve scad	Matambaka	260	360	340	300	200	200-360	360	200
<i>Atule mate</i>	Yellow scad	Salay Salay	220-380	360	280-380	320-380	240-380	380	380	220
<i>Rastrelliger brachysoma</i>	Short-bodied mackerel	Hasa-hasa	260 & 350	360	360	320	260	260 & 360	360	260
<i>Decapterus macarellus</i>	Mackerel scad	Galunggong Balsa	-	213-320	200 & 280	160-280	260	280	320	160
<i>Decapterus russelli</i>	Indian scad	Galunggong Babae	-	160	140 & 150	-	150-160	150 & 160	160	140
<i>Decapterus kurroides</i>	Redtail scad	Galunggong Burot	-	-	120-150	200-260	113-240	113-260	260	113
<i>Caranx tanobius</i>	Giant Trevally	Talakitok	-	450	360 & 400	-	240-400	400	450	240
<i>Trachinotus blochii</i>	Silver Pompano	Pompano	-	350 & 460	300-450	270-400	450	450	460	270
<i>Cysselurus sp.</i>	Flying fish	Flying fish	-	140	-	-	-	140	140	140
<i>Lehrinus spp.</i>	Emperor Fish	Emperor Fish	-	120	-	-	250	120 & 250	250	120
<i>Leiognathus sp.</i>	Slipmouth	Sap-sap	-	320-380	280-420	400	280 & 300	280	400	280
<i>Nemipterus sp.</i>	Goatfish	Bisugo	-	400	360 & 400	260-400	340 & 360	400	400	260
<i>Mene maculata</i>	Moonfish	Chabeta	-	-	160	-	-	160	160	160
<i>Siganus sp.</i>	Rabbitfish	Samaral/Dangit	-	-	170-400	140-400	360	400	400	140
<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	Dolphin Fish	Dorado	-	-	-	-	-	280	280	280
<i>Alepes djedaba</i>	Shrimp Scad	Salay Salay	-	-	-	-	220	220	220	220
<i>Acanthurus sp</i>	Surgeon fish	Labahita	-	-	-	-	230 & 250	230 & 250	250	230
Remarks/Market Observations:			<p>*Major Source Areas of Top 3 Commodities: 1. Bangus = Laguna , Bulacan, Rizal, Pampanga, Batangas, Pangasinan, and Navotas, Malabon, & Farmers Markets 2. Tilapia = Batangas, Bulacan, Pampanga, and Navotas, Malabon, & Farmers Markets 3. Galunggong = Zambales, Quezon Province, Palawan, and Navotas, Malabon, & Farmers Markets</p> <p>Current Closed Fishing Season (CFS) Implementation: - November 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020: Local Galunggong (Decapterus spp.) in Northern Palawan, which is where 92% of the landed catch at the Navotas Fish Port and 22% of total landed catch nationwide are sourced (per JAO No. 01 series of 2015); and - November 15, 2019 to February 15, 2020: Sardines, Herrings (Sardinella spp.), and Mackerels (Rastrelliger spp.) in some parts of the Visayan Sea (per Fisheries Administrative Order No. 167-3 Series of 2013) -December 1, 2019-March 1, 2020: Sardines in some parts of the Zamboanga Sea per BFAR Administrative Circular (BAC) 255, Series of 2014, begun this week. The ban includes species belonging to the Clupeidae family (i.e., Sardinella lemuru, Sardilla fimbriata, and Sardinella gibbosa).</p> <p>The following observations were gathered during the actual price monitoring activity:</p> <p>*The supply of marine fishes, including local Galunggong "lalaki" (Decapterus macrosoma), remain low in all the monitored retail markets this January, except on January 31 were there was an increase in the supply of Tulingan (Auxis spp.), Alumahan (Rastrelliger kanagurta), Dalagang bukid (Caesio spp.) and local Galunggong (Decapterus spp.). *The low supply of marine fishes may be attributed to the low volume of catch caused by: (1) the cold weather brought by Hanging Amihan, wherein marine fishes normally stay on the bottom of the ocean; (2) the occurrence of full moon last January 10, wherein the bright moon light causes the marine fishes to scatter; (3) the lean season for some marine fishes; and (4) the aforementioned fishing ban for various marine fishes in some fishing grounds in the country.</p>							

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<p>*The low supply of marine fishes alongside the increase in wholesale price urged some retail vendors to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) also increase their selling price; (2) lessen their supply for selling; (3) not to open their stalls; and (4) sell other species of Galunggong such as "Balsa" (Decapterus macarellus), Burot (Decapterus kurroides) and "Babae" (Decapterus ruselli) as well as other frozen/imported fishery commodities such as Auxis spp., and Decapterus spp. instead. <p>*Majority of the available Galunggong in the monitored markets are frozen/imported.</p> <p>*Despite the availability of supply of local Galunggong last 31 January 2020, majority of the vendors at Balintawak Market prefer to sell frozen/imported Galunggong due to its cheaper price, making it easier to sell.</p> <p>*Taal Volcano has had a phreatic eruption on the third week of the month. BFAR Region 4A Regional Director Sammy Malvas, in an interview last January 14, has warned of a possibility of a fish kill in Taal Lake due to changes in temperature and acidity as a result of the Taal Volcano phreatic eruption on the third week of the month. The possible fish kill, according to the official, could damage 6,000 fish cages with an estimated production loss of 15,033 metric tons of Sardinella tawilis and Tilapia.</p> <p>*DOH Assistant Secretary Maria Francia Laxamana has also issued a statement strongly discouraging the public from eating fish from Taal Lake to avoid food poisoning and other health problems." Department of Agriculture, on 19 January 2020, then declared fish from Taal Lake safe to eat. The announcement came after BFAR conducted laboratory analyses for water and fish samples in the lake. Consumption, per the announcement, must be confined to those that are fresh and caught alive. Caught fish must also be washed thoroughly, internal organs removed, and cooked properly.</p> <p>*The Tilapia supply decreased during the third week of January as a result of the Taal Volcano phreatic eruption. The supply went back to normal on the fourth week due to the abundant supply coming from Pampanga. No Tilapia from Batangas was observed in the monitored retail markets from January 17 to 24.</p> <p>*Despite the DA issuance that the fishes from Taal Lake are safe for human consumption, consumers are still afraid to buy fishery commodities from Batangas resulting to a lower demand (i.e., matumal ang bentahan).</p> <p>*The price and supply of Bangus remain stable in all the monitored retail markets.</p> <p>*The price of live Tilapia in some monitored markets is higher by Php20.00/kg as compared to that of fresh-chilled Tilapia.</p> <p>*The Bangus, Tilapia and Galunggong in majority of the monitored markets are being sold in mixed sizes.</p> <p>Sources: (1) Department of Agriculture - DRRM Operations Center, 19 January 2020, Retrieved from: https://www.facebook.com/dadrrmopcen/posts/537853310155338 (2) Franco L., Philstar, 20 January 2020, Retrieved from: https://www.philstar.com/headlines/2020/01/20/1986340/fish-taal-lake-safe-consumption-after-all-bfar (3) Manila Bulletin, 14 January 2020, Retrieved from: https://news.mb.com.ph/2020/01/14/taal-lake-fish-kill-feared/; (4) Michelle A., Rappler, 14 January 2020, Retrieved from: https://www.rappler.com/nation/249244-bfar-expecting-worst-aquatic-life-taal-lake</p>										
Source Area:	NAVOTAS FISHPORT, MALABON MARKET, FARMERS MARKET, BULACAN, BATANGAS, PAMPANGA, LAGUNA, PANGASINAN, PALAWAN, ZAMBALES, QUEZON PROVINCE, MANILA BAY, ILOILO, BACOLOD, BICOL, CAVITE, MARINDUQUE, CEBU, ROXAS, MINDORO, PALAWAN, GENSAN									
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