

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
2. Muñoz 4. Mega-Q 6. Tandang Sora 8. Quinta 10. Galas
DATE COVERED: September 1-October 3, 2020

TOP FISHERY COMMODITIES			Weekly Prevailing Price (Php/kg)					NCR		
			WEEK 1 (September 1-5)	WEEK 2 (September 6-12)	WEEK 3 (September 13-19)	WEEK 4 (September 20-26)	WEEK 5 (Sep. 27-Oct.3)			
Scientific Name	English Name	Local Name	Prevailing Price (Php/kg)	Prevailing Price (Php/kg)	Prevailing Price (Php/kg)	Prevailing Price (Php/kg)	Prevailing Price (Php/kg)	Prevailing Price (Php/kg)	High	Low
1. <i>Chanos chanos</i>	Milkfish	Bangus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Small (6 pcs and above)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Medium (3-5 pcs)	150-180	160	160	160	160	160	180	150
		Large (1-2)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. <i>Oreochromis niloticus</i>	Tilapia	Tilapia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Small (6 pcs and above)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Medium (3-5 pcs)	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	120
		Large (1-2 pcs)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. <i>Decapterus macrostoma</i>	Round scad	Galunggong	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Small (21 pcs and above)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Medium (11-20 pcs)	240	240	180 & 240	240	180	240	240	180
		Large (7-10 pcs)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FISHERY COMMODITIES										
<i>Decapterus macrostoma</i>	Round scad	Galunggong Imported	140	150	140 & 150	150	150	150	150	140

Remarks/Market Observations:

The following observations were gathered from market vendors and administrators for the month of September:

- As the pandemic continues to bring low foot traffic in the monitored markets, supplies of Bangus and Tilapia remain enough to cater to the low demand for fishery commodities. Local Galunggong, however, continues to have relatively low availability and high selling price as supplies remain unstable caused by the lean fishing season and rainy weather condition. The low availability at Navotas Fish Port urged retailers to find alternative sources of the commodity such as Lucena, Quezon. Further, Imported Galunggong was observed to have higher demand among monitored markets (especially Muñoz) due to the low supply of its local variant. However, the supply was only available at Mega-Q, Balintawak, and Muñoz Markets only. Vendors at Farmers and Mega-Q noted that the selling price of Imported Galunggong is expected to remain relatively high until the Christmas season.
- Major source areas of the top fishery commodities are the following:
Commodity Retail (10 monitored markets)
Bangus Bulacan
Tilapia Batangas
Local Galunggong Lucena, Farmers, Malabon & Navotas Fish Ports
- Minimal number of consumers are observed in most monitored markets as consumers opt to stay indoors and avoid frequent visits to public places such as markets amid the continuously increasing COVID-19 cases in Metro Manila. The "*matumal na bentahan*" for fishery commodities urged some vendors to:
 - limit the volume of fish supplies for selling to avoid loss of profit and spoilage
 - sell only in the morning or open on half-day schedule; higher foot traffic was observed in the morning (market hours) as compared to afternoon
 - continuously look for strategies to avoid loss of sales such as but not limited to offer online orders for delivery, and securing pre-orders from their "suki."
 - not open their fish stalls on weekdays or opting to sell only on weekends where influx of buyers is higher

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			<p>4. In line with the General Community Quarantine (GCQ), precautionary safety measures relative to COVID-19 (such as but not limited to wearing of face masks and face shields, mandatory temperature checks, hand disinfection limiting of buyers entering the markets, and regularly scheduled cleaning and disinfection) are continuously implemented in monitored markets to ensure the safety of consumers and vendors. However, safe physical distancing is not strictly implemented. Trading operations at Munoz Market are suspended last September 8 for the regular bi-monthly disinfection. The foregoing market is also no longer implementing barangay-clustered market schedules. On the other hand, retail operations at Balintawak Market have resumed on August 29 (Saturday) after its four-month suspension beginning April 11.</p> <p>5. Per DA AC No. 10, updated Suggested Retail Prices (SRP) for medium-sized Bangus is at Php169.00/kg, medium-sized Tilapia at Php120.00/kg, Local Galunggong (no size indicate) at Php140.00/kg, and medium-sized Imported Galunggong at Php180.00/kg. Based on the price monitoring activities, the following markets were observed to have vendors who are not compliant or selling beyond the maximum allowable limit with the SRPs:</p> <p>a. Tilapia Medium - Kamuning Market</p> <p>b. Local Galunggong - Kamuning, Galas, Trabajo, Quinta, Muñoz, Tandang Sora, Mega-Q, Commonwealth Farmers, and Balintawak Markets</p> <p>6. Data gathering at the ten (10) retail markets is conducted through phone calls or SMS in coordination with market masters and administrators, vendors, and stall holders in view of the Bureau's suspension of physical monitoring activities since July 21, 2020. Physical monitoring will resume once safety of enumerators in the monitored wet markets is ascertained.</p>							
Source Areas:	Navotas Fish Port, Malabon, Farmers, Bulacan, Pangasinan, Batangas, Pampanga, Quezon Province									
<p>(-) - Price and Volume not available durina price monitorina NA- Source Area not available durina price monitorina</p>										
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