

FISHERIES

Fisheries make an important contribution to sustainable incomes, employment opportunities and overall food protein intake. On the other hand, overfishing of some species in some areas is threatening stocks with depletion. In certain countries, including at least two OECD countries – Iceland and Japan – fish is the main source of animal protein intake.

Definition

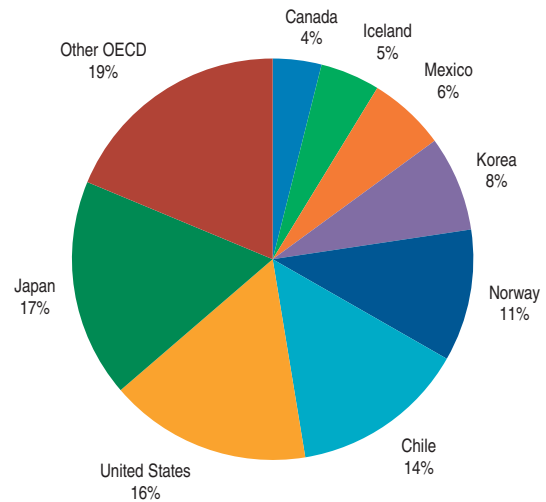
The figures refer to the tonnage of landed catches of marine fish, and to cultivated fish and crustaceans taken from marine and inland waters and sea tanks. Landed catches of marine fish for each country cover landings in both foreign and domestic ports. The table distinguishes between marine capture fisheries and aquaculture because of their different production systems and growth rates.

Comparability

The time series presented are relatively comprehensive and consistent across the years, but some of the variation over time may reflect changes in national reporting systems. In one case, the data shown are estimated by the OECD Secretariat.

Fish landings in domestic and foreign ports

As a percentage of OECD total, 2009



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Overview

Marine capture fisheries landings in the OECD countries amounted to around 25 million tons in 2008, which is roughly 28% of the total world marine capture production. OECD catches have been trending downward since the late 1980s. This steady trend is due to changes in market demand and prices as well as from the need to rebuild stocks to maximum sustainable yield levels in order to achieve long-term sustainable use of marine resources.

Growth in aquaculture production in OECD countries has been relatively slow at around 3% per year. OECD countries produced around 10% of world aquaculture production in 2008 with the largest producers being Korea, Japan, Chile and Norway. Aquaculture is seen as playing a key role in future green growth, especially in many emerging economies, by virtue of its potential to contribute to increased food production while helping reduce pressure on fish resources.

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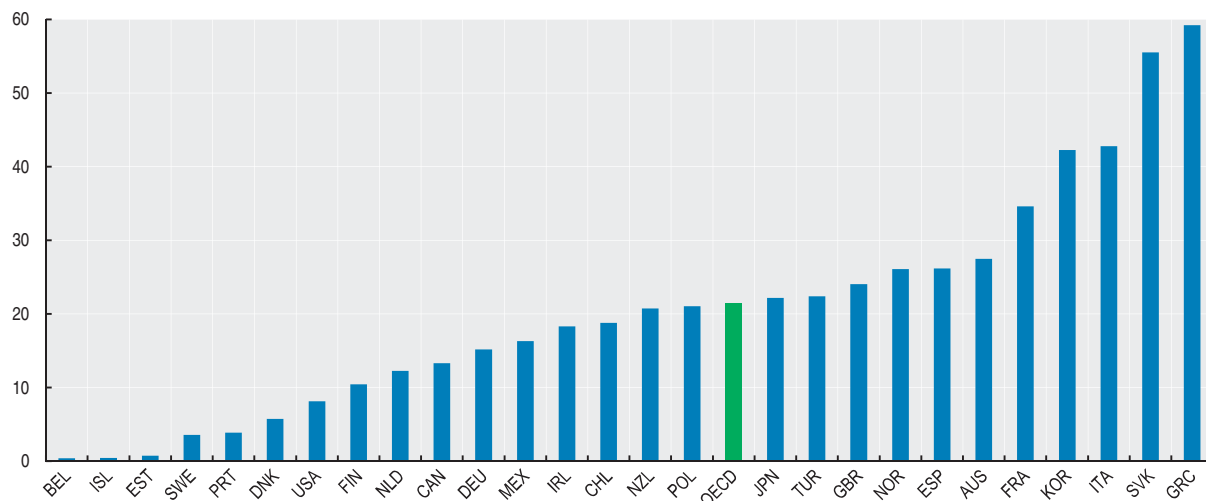

Marine capture and aquaculture production

Thousand tonnes

	Fish landings in domestic and foreign ports						Aquaculture					
	2000	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010	2000	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010
Australia	185	236	182	172	..	..	37	47	64	70	..	..
Austria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Belgium	27	22	22	20	19	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Canada	1 008	1 079	1 002	915	936	..	127	154	153	144	141	..
Chile	4 032	4 462	3 687	3 460	3 379	2 654	425	739	804	871	758	574
Czech Republic	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	20	20	20	20	20
Denmark	1 524	899	645	686	770	820	44	40	42	43	42	..
Estonia	101	90	97	100	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..
Finland	92	77	117	111	116	..	15	14	13	13	14	..
France	682	606	474	452	446	..	267	238	..	238	236	..
Germany	194	247	262	243	211	210	45	46	45	44	39	41
Greece	93	92	95	87	83	..	88	110	155	115	118	..
Hungary	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	15	..	..
Iceland	1 930	1 411	1 419	1 305	1 151	..	4	8	5	5	6	..
Ireland	291	282	219	202	227	..	41	..	53	45	47	..
Israel	6	4	3	3	3	..	20	22	21	..	..	..
Italy	387	268	276	227	242	223	228	234	247	158	162	111
Japan	5 092	4 511	4 436	4 416	4 200	3 986	1 292	1 254	1 284	1 188	1 243	1 101
Korea	2 090	1 829	1 862	1 951	1 839	1 725	667	1 057	1 407	1 400	1 332	1 376
Luxembourg	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mexico	1 193	1 203	1 351	1 462	1 483	..	46	102	268	284	285	..
Netherlands	312	547	464	401	380	266	92	70	41	57	73	89
New Zealand	536	633	427	287	280	278	87	105	42	101	105	111
Norway	2 894	2 546	2 539	2 437	2 537	2 674	492	662	842	848	962	1 008
Poland	200	136	133	..	..	..	32	38	36	..	..	..
Portugal	172	172	197	195	191	201	8	7	7	8	8	8
Slovak Republic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..
Slovenia	2	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Spain	1 002	717	752	802	728	924	312	273	285	253	268	..
Sweden	341	239	246	219	197	204	6	7	6	9	9	11
Switzerland	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Turkey	461	523	589	443	..	..	79	118	140	152	..	..
United Kingdom	748	670	610	551	580	597	144	165	157	179	196	..
United States	4 245	4 463	4 294	3 890	..	..	373	358	373	351	..	..
EU 27	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
OECD	29 654	27 730	26 401	25 038	..	..	4 989	5 888	6 277	6 613	..	..
Brazil
China
India
Indonesia
Russian Federation	4 289	205
South Africa

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Share of aquaculture in total fish capture and production

Percentage, average 2007-09


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