



## CROATIA IN THE WORLD AND IN THE EU

(2015, source: FAO and Eurostat)

Croatia is ranked low among EU countries, both for fisheries and aquaculture production.

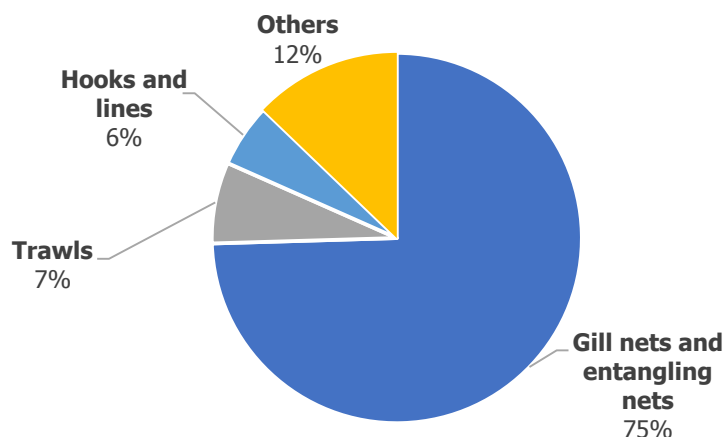
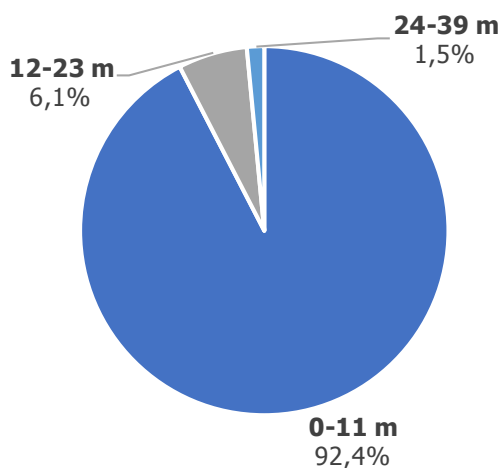
(1000 tonnes)	World	EU-28	Croatia	% World	% EU-28
Catches	104.635	5.144	72	0,1%	1,4%
Aquaculture	106.094	1.307	17	0,0%	1,3%
Total	211.511	6.451	89	0,0%	1,4%

## FISHING FLEET

(fleet - 2017, source: EU fishing fleet register; employment - 2015, source: JRC)

Vessels (2017)	Capacity (2017)	Power (2017)	
Number: <b>7.559</b>	GT: <b>45.601</b>	KW: <b>355.794</b>	
TOTAL FTE: <b>2.384</b>			
0-11 m	12-23 m	24-39 m	>40 m
Jobs (FTE): <b>43%</b>	Jobs (FTE): <b>33%</b>	Jobs (FTE): <b>24%</b>	Jobs (FTE): <b>-</b>

The Croatian **fishing fleet** and **gear composition**:



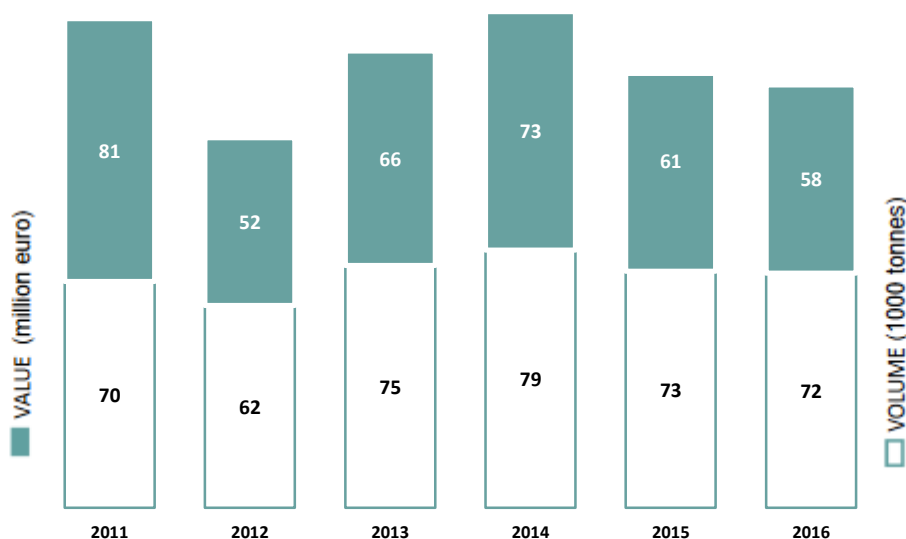


## LANDINGS

Landings represent the initial unloading of any quantity of fisheries products, including aquatic plants, from on board a fishing vessel to land in a given country, regardless of the nationality of the vessel making the landings. Landings are reported in net weight.

In Croatia, species are landed fresh and whole. All fishery products are landed by Croatian vessels and destined to human consumption.

Total fishing ports recorded in Croatia are 166 (source: EU Master Data Register).



Main commercial species landed and % of total  
(2016, million euro and 1.000 tonnes)



Species	Value (million euro)	% of total	Volume (1000 tonnes)	% of total	Species
SARDINE	21	36%	54	75%	SARDINE
ANCHOVY	8	13%	8	11%	ANCHOVY
NORWAY LOBSTER	3	5%	2	3%	MACKEREL
HAKE	2,8	5%	1	1%	RED MULLET
OCTOPUS	2,4	4%	1	1%	HORSE MACKEREL
TROPICAL SHRIMPS	2,0	3%	0,8	1%	HAKE
OTHERS	19	34%	5	8%	OTHERS

(source: Eurostat)

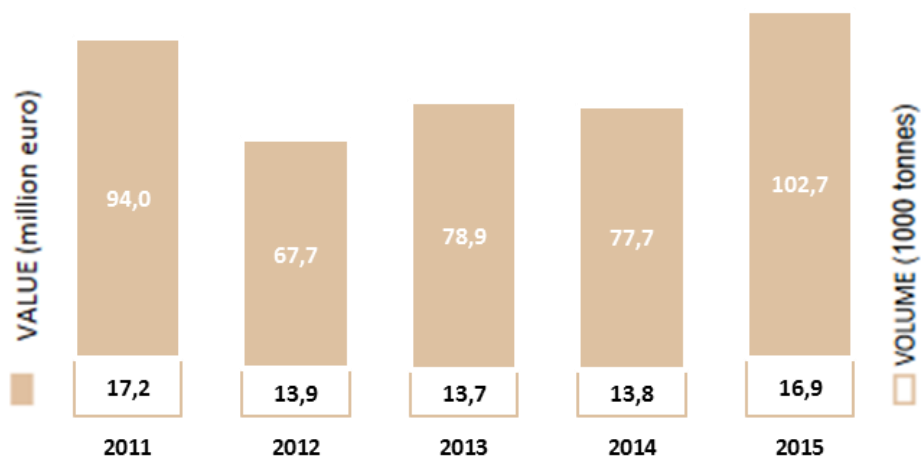


## AQUACULTURE

Aquaculture refers to the farming of aquatic (freshwater or saltwater) organisms, such as fish, molluscs, crustaceans and aquatic plants. Aquaculture data are reported in live weight equivalent and value.

In Croatia, 71% of fish is farmed in sea and brackish waters and 29% in freshwater. The most important aquaculture methods are:

- 67% in cages, farmed in sea and brackish water;
- 25% in ponds, farmed in freshwater.



Main commercial species farmed and % of total  
(2015, million euro and 1.000 tonnes)



BLUEFIN TUNA	37,8	37%	4,5	27%	EUROPEAN SEABASS
EUROPEAN SEABASS	28,8	28%	4,1	24%	GILT-HEAD SEABREAM
GILT-HEAD SEABREAM	25,8	25%	4	24%	CARP
CARP	5,9	6%	2,6	15%	BLUEFIN TUNA
TROUT	2	2%	0,7	4%	MUSSEL MYTILUS SPP.
OTHERS	2,4	2%	1	6%	OTHERS

(source: Eurostat)



## PRODUCER ORGANISATIONS

(2018, source: DG MARE, [link](#))

**2 producers organisations (POs)** are formally recognized. Their role is to contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the CFP and of the CMO through the collective management of their members' activities. They are both operating in the fishery sector.

## PROCESSING

According to Eurostat-SBS, the fish processing industry in Croatia recorded a value added of EUR 31 million in 2015, representing 3% of the value added of total manufacture of food products. It employed 1.476 persons.

In 2016, the main products sold were frozen whole saltwater fish, but the most valued were prepared and preserved sardines (source: Eurostat-PRODCOM).

**43 companies**

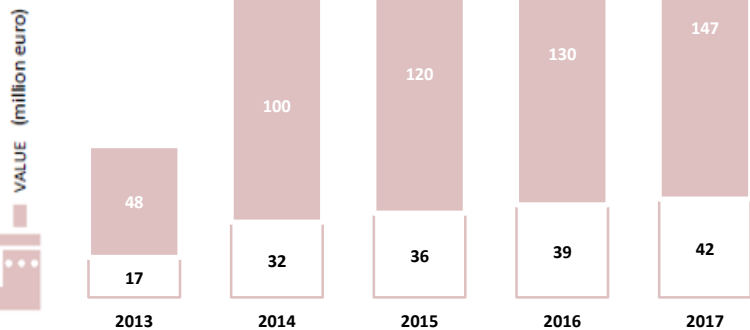
**Sales: EUR 102 million**

(2015, source: Eurostat - SBS)



# TRADE (source: Eurostat)

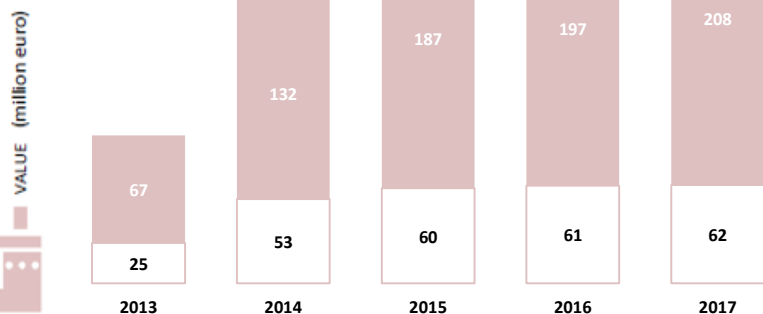
## Import



MAIN COMMERCIAL SPECIES IMPORTED AND % OF TOTAL IMPORTS (2017, million euro)

Species	Value (million euro)	% of Total Imports
SQUID	27	19%
OTHER MARINE FISH	15	10%
SKIPJACK TUNA	11	8%
OTHER PRODUCTS	8	5%
SALMON	8	5%
HAKE	7	5%
OTHERS	70	48%

## Export



MAIN COMMERCIAL SPECIES EXPORTED AND % OF TOTAL EXPORTS (2017, million euro)

Species	Value (million euro)	% of Total Exports
BLUEFIN TUNA	31	15%
SARDINE	30	14%
EUROPEAN SEABASS	27	13%
GILT-HEAD SEABREAM	22,4	11%
OTHER PRODUCTS	22,3	11%
ANCHOVY	21	10%
OTHERS	54	26%

Main countries of ORIGIN (in value, 2017)

Spain 28%

Italy 17%

Slovenia 7%

Netherlands 6%

Main countries of DESTINATION (in value, 2017)

Italy 32%

Japan 15%

Slovenia 11%

Spain 6%

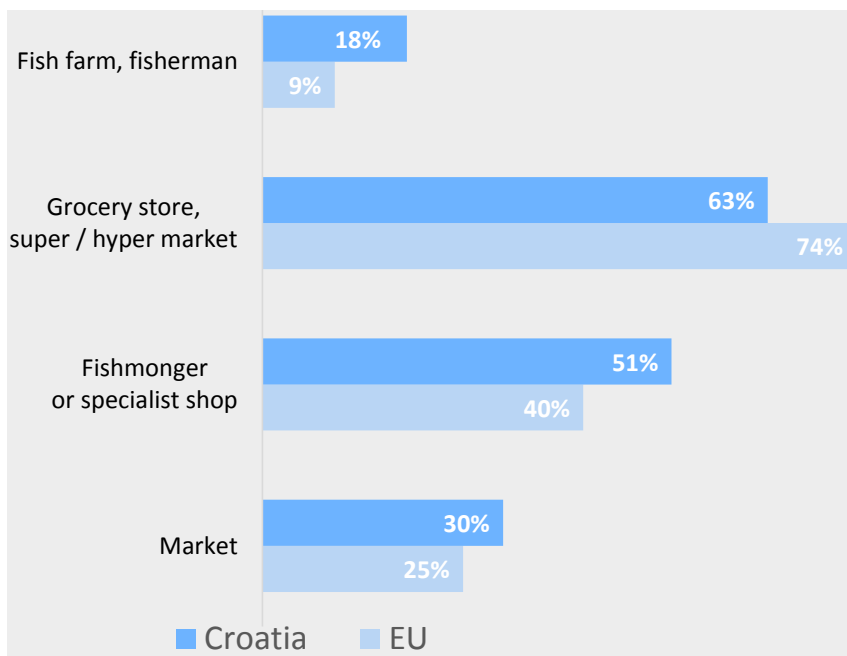




# DISTRIBUTION

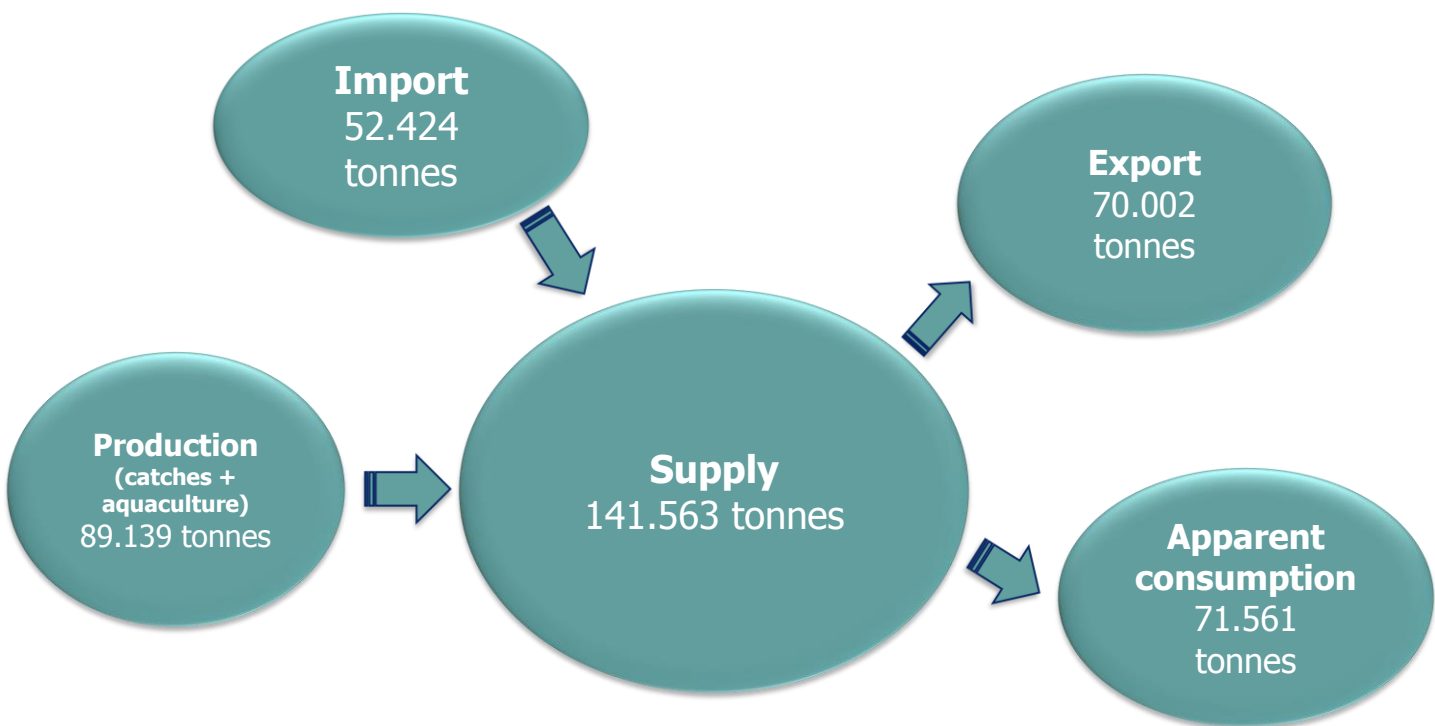
## Consumer preferences on purchasing channels

(source: EUROBAROMETER)





## SUPPLY BALANCE (2015, source: EUMOFA)





# CONSUMPTION

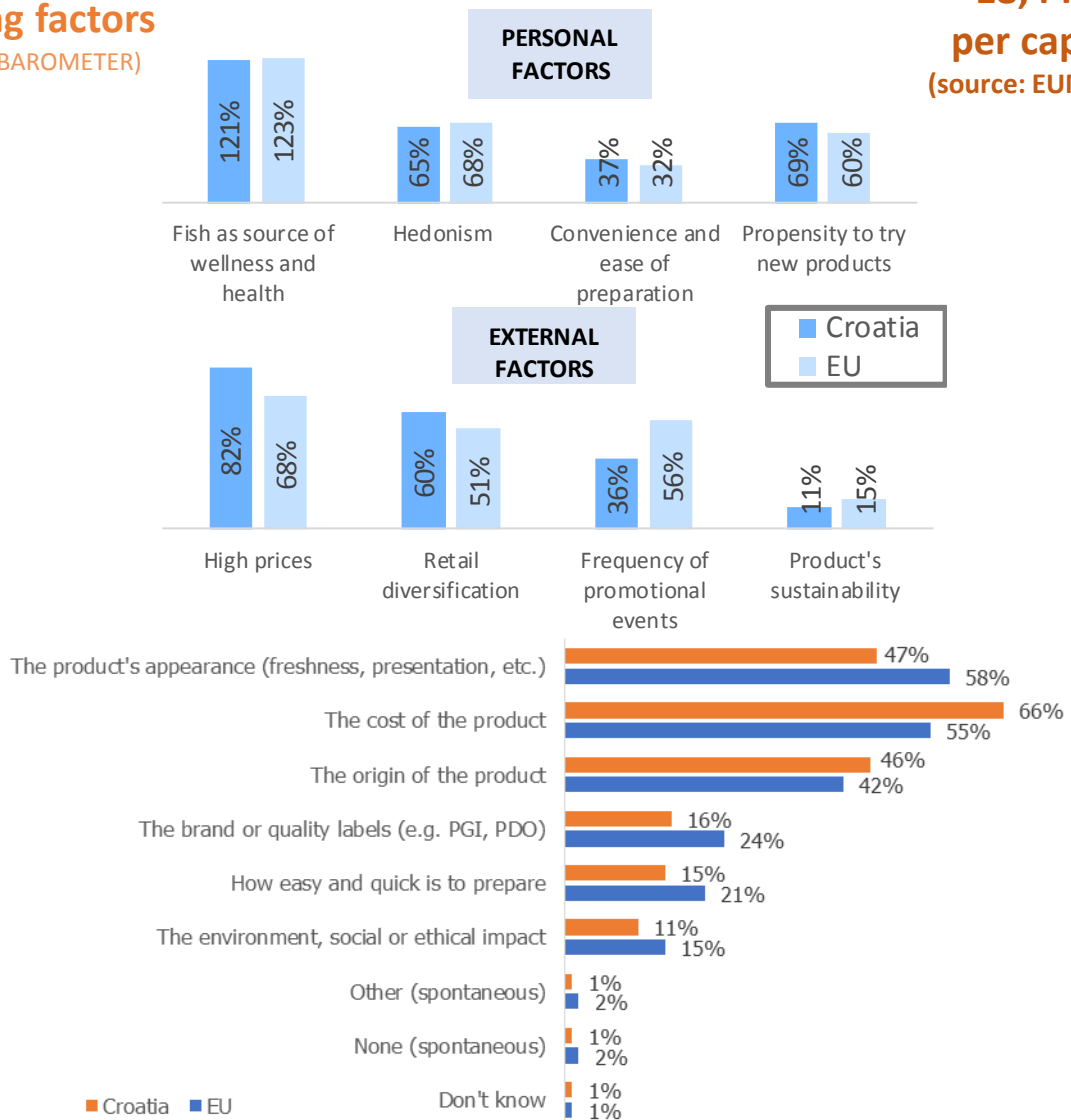
Apparent consumption of fishery and aquaculture products in Croatia amounted to **18,4 kg per capita in 2015**, an increase of 4% compared to the previous year. Main consumed species are **sardines** and **hake**.

Fresh products are the most consumed; loose fish is slightly more consumed (69%) than the EU average (68%). From a socio-demographic point of view, fish consumption in Croatia is lower than the EU average for all age-groups. Regular fish consumers mainly belong to the age classes 40-54 and over 55. Young people show the lowest number of regular consumers across the EU. Nonetheless, they tend to eat fish frequently in Croatia (source: "EU consumer habits regarding fishery and aquaculture products").

## Purchasing factors

(source: EUROBAROMETER)

**18,4 Kg per capita**  
(source: EUMOFA)







## LANDINGS

Volumes and values are collected by EUMOFA from **Eurostat – Fishery**. Data concern all species landed in Croatia, by vessels of all nationalities. Data are available on a yearly basis, accessible through simple and advanced tables.

## AQUACULTURE

Volumes and values are collected by EUMOFA from **Eurostat – Fishery**. Data are available on a yearly basis, accessible through simple and advanced tables.

## FIRST SALES

No data available for this supply chain stage

## WHOLESALE

No data available for this supply chain stage

## PROCESSING

Volumes and values are collected from **Eurostat – PRODCOM**. Data concern 15 processed products as recorded through the PRODCOM nomenclature. Data are available on a yearly basis and are accessible through simple tables.

## TRADE

Volumes and values are collected from **Eurostat – COMEXT**. Data concern trade of all fisheries and aquaculture products as recorded by national customs, available on a monthly and yearly basis. Data are accessible through simple and advanced tables.

## CONSUMPTION

No data available for this supply chain stage