



COUNTRY BRIEF

Population	Ease of doing business rank
59 622 000	84th
Length of coastline	Exclusive fishing zone
3 751 km	1 450 600 km ²
Average GDP growth	GDP per capita
3.99%	USD 5 700

GDP from fisheries

0.15%

Fish available for consumption

6.4 kg/capita

Imports of fish and fish
products - 2020

USD 331 483 410

Agricultural GDP from fisheries

N/A

Fisheries and aquaculture
production

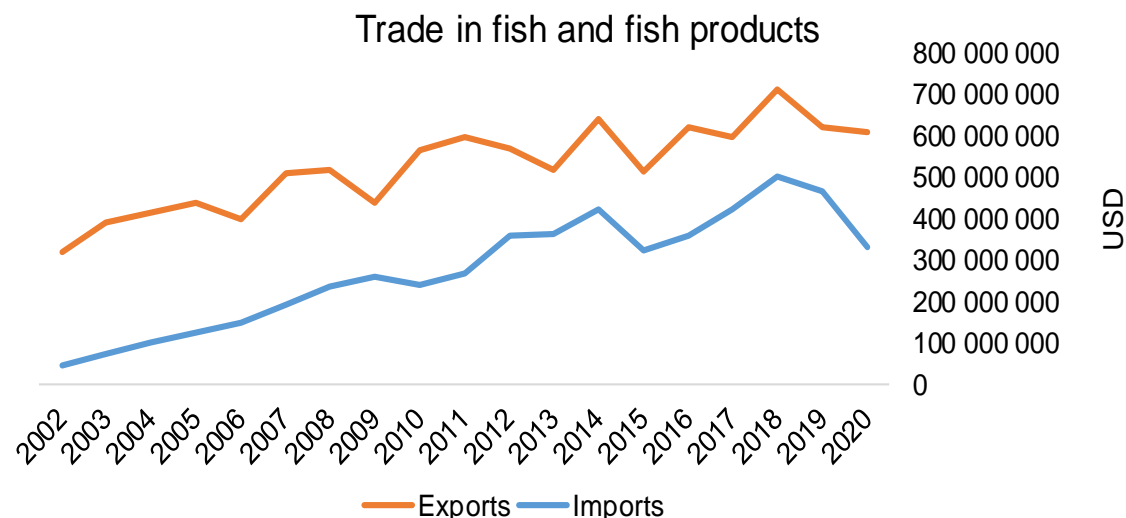
Total 601 893 tonnes

Fisheries 99%

Aquaculture 1%

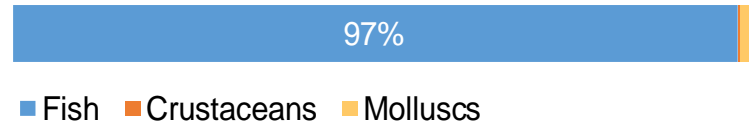
Exports of fish and fish
products - 2020

USD 611 356 390

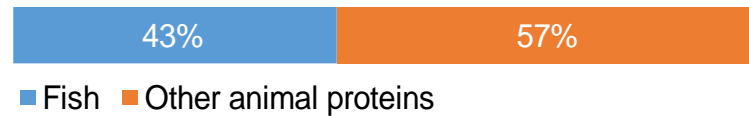


Production and Trade Breakdown

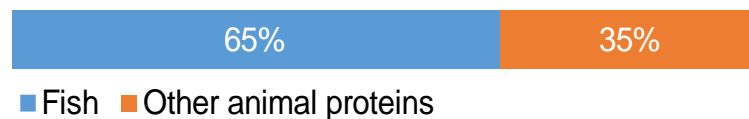
Production by volume



Imports by value



Exports by value



Production - Top 10 Species (Volume)

		Tonnes
1 st	Southern African anchovy	284 975
2 nd	Cape hakes	142 743
3 rd	Whitehead's round herring	53 882
4 th	Cape horse mackerel	28 837
5 th	Pacific sardine	24 567
6 th	Cape Hope squid	9 047
7 th	Devil anglerfish	6 972
8 th	Snoek	6 809
9 th	Atlantic chub mackerel	5 798
10 th	Marine fishes nei	4 558

Imports - Top 10 Products (Value)

			USD
1 st	Sardines, sardinella, brisling or sprats	prepared or preserved; whole or in pieces HS 1604.13	62 459 320
2 nd	Sardines, sardinella, brisling or sprats	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.53	44 230 940
3 rd	Tunas, skipjack, bonito	prepared or preserved; whole or in pieces HS 1604.14	28 363 140
4 th	Hake	frozen fillets HS 0304.74	21 145 740
5 th	Fish, other than species in 0303	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.89	20 428 840
6 th	Shrimps, prawns	frozen HS 0306.17	19 427 600
7 th	Hake	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.66	18 032 850
8 th	Jack, horse mackerel	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.55	17 522 550
9 th	Atlantic, Danube salmon	fresh or chilled; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0302.14	12 220 410
10 th	Squid, cuttlefish	dried, smoked, salted or in brine HS 0307.49	11 024 720

Exports - Top 10 Products (Value)

			USD
1 st	Hake	frozen fillets HS 0304.74	106 299 980
2 nd	Flours, meals, pellets. Unfit for human consumption	from fish or aquatic invertebrates HS 2301.20	101 825 150
3 rd	Squid, cuttlefish	frozen HS 0307.43	58 979 830
4 th	Hake	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.66	54 986 250
5 th	Jack, horse mackerel	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.55	27 085 990
6 th	Fish, other than species in 0303	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.89	26 668 120
7 th	Rock lobster, other sea crawfish	live, fresh or chilled HS 0306.31	24 025 960
8 th	Rock lobster, other sea crawfish	frozen HS 0306.11	19 626 950
9 th	Albacore or longfinned tunas	frozen; excluding fillets, livers and roes HS 0303.41	19 070 760
10 th	Abalone	dried, salted or in brine HS 0307.87	17 208 410

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Sources

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[HS codes for fish and fish products](#)

International trade codes for fish and fish products in a user friendly format.



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-Fish available for consumption (2017):
FAO's [Fishery and Aquaculture Statistics 2019](#)

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OECD's [National Accounts Statistics](#) or
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World Bank's [Ease of Doing Business](#) ranking

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