

Overview of Vietnam's aquatic sector during the period 2015-2022 and vision to 2045

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Vietnam is a country in Southeast Asia with a land area of 329,560 km² and a coastline of 3,260 km, an exclusive economic zone of 1 million km². In 2022, total fishery output was 9 million tonnes including 3.86 million tons from exploitation and 5.19 million tons from aquaculture. The export value of the fisheries sector in 2022 was \$11 billion. The workforce is more than four million people. Fisheries are defined as the country's leading economic sector, comprising about 4-5% of GDP, 9-10% of the country's total exports, ranking fifth in export value. In 2015 Vietnam's fisheries output increased 38% from 6.56 (2015) to 9.05 million tonnes (2022). Of these, aquaculture accounted for 57% and exploitation was 43%. Fisheries exports during 1998-2022 increased 13 times from \$817 million (1998) to \$11 billion (2022). The fisheries development objectives of the nation to 2030 and vision of 2045 are defined as follows: a 3.4-4% annual growth rate, total export output of 9.8 million tons, export value \$14-16 billion and employment of more than 3.5 million workers.

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