

Norway's Seafood Exports Hit Record NOK 15.6 Billion in July

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Norway's seafood exports reached a record NOK 15.6 billion in July 2026, up 13 per cent year on year, according to the Norwegian Seafood Council (NSC). The NOK 1.8 billion increase was driven primarily by higher salmon volumes and prices, along with price gains for cod, mackerel and trout.

"July was a strong month for Norwegian seafood exports. Salmon drove both increased export volumes and higher prices," said Christian Chramer, CEO, Norwegian Seafood Council.

Poland, China and the US were the largest markets. Exports to Poland rose 20 per cent in value to NOK 2.1 billion, while shipments increased 13 per cent to 31,484 tonnes. Seafood exports to China increased 21 per cent to NOK 1.6 billion, with salmon accounting for 65 per cent of the value.

Norway exported 147,891 tonnes of salmon worth NOK 11.6 billion in July, representing a 16 per cent increase in value and 10 per cent growth in volume. China recorded particularly strong demand, importing 12,464 tonnes worth NOK 1 billion, up 37 per cent in value and 27 per cent in volume.

Fresh cod exports increased 34 per cent in value to NOK 191 million, with farmed cod accounting for 69 per cent of the export value. Farmed cod volumes rose 96 per cent, while value increased 147 per cent.

Clipfish exports rose 48 per cent in value to NOK 380 million despite a 5 per cent decline in volume. Record prices were also recorded for dried cod and saithe clipfish.

Mackerel exports increased 69 per cent in value to NOK 339 million, while herring exports rose 28 per cent to NOK 234 million.

Shellfish performance was mixed. King crab and snow crab exports declined sharply in value, while prawn export value remained stable at NOK 190 million despite a 34 per cent fall in volume, supported by higher prices amid tighter global supply.

The NSC said the July performance was achieved despite currency effects, changing trade policies and lower fishing quotas.