



# FinFish Study 2021

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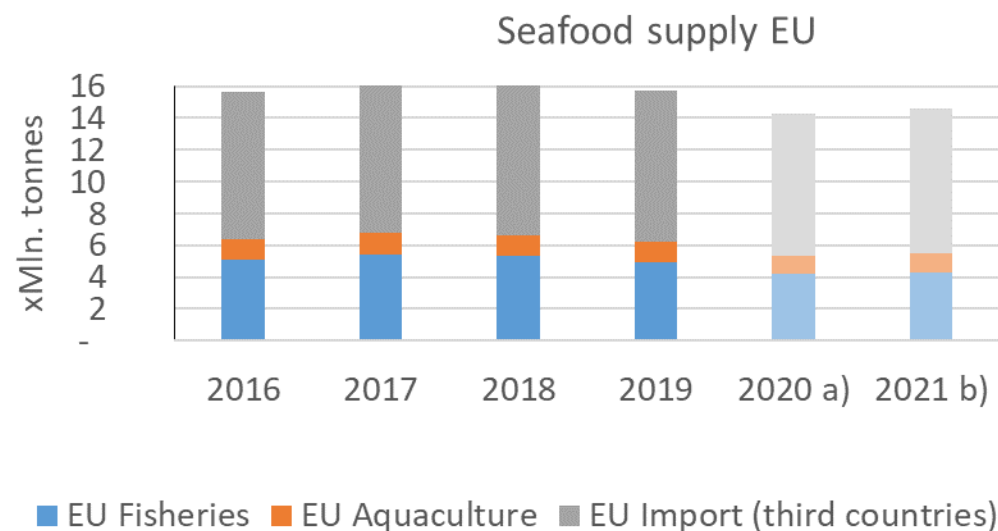
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# AIM OF THE FINFISH STUDY

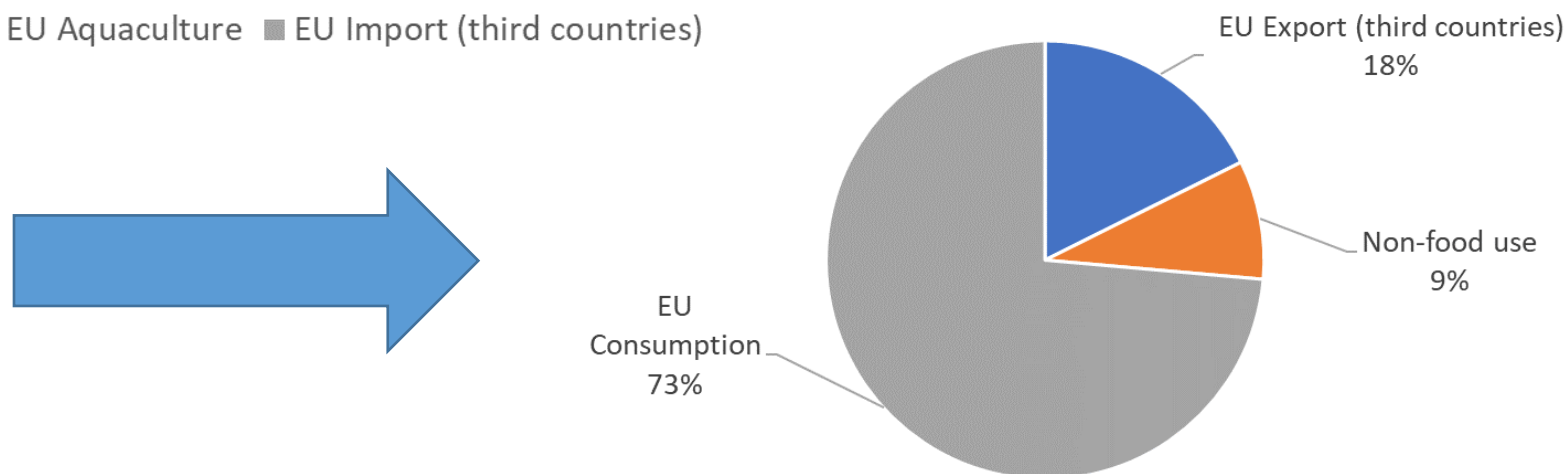
- Exemplify the need for imported seafood, particularly whitefish, in the production of added value seafood within Europe.
- Providing more background information for EU policy:
  - Autonomous Tariff Quota (ATQ)
  - Free Trade Agreements (FTA)
  - IUU Fisheries
  - Other laws and regulations

# EU SEAFOOD SUPPLY

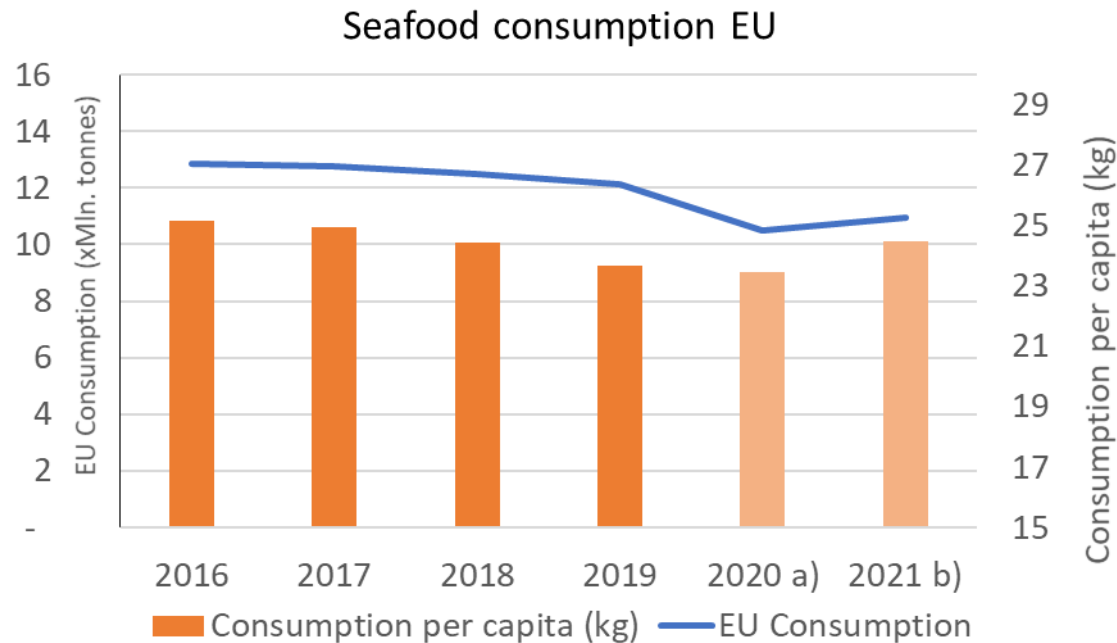


In 2020

- 14.3 mln tonnes supply
- 63% import (8.9 mln. ton)
- 10.5 mln tonnes consumption
- 18% export (2.5 mln. ton)



# CONSUMPTION & IMPORT DEPENDENCY



In 2020

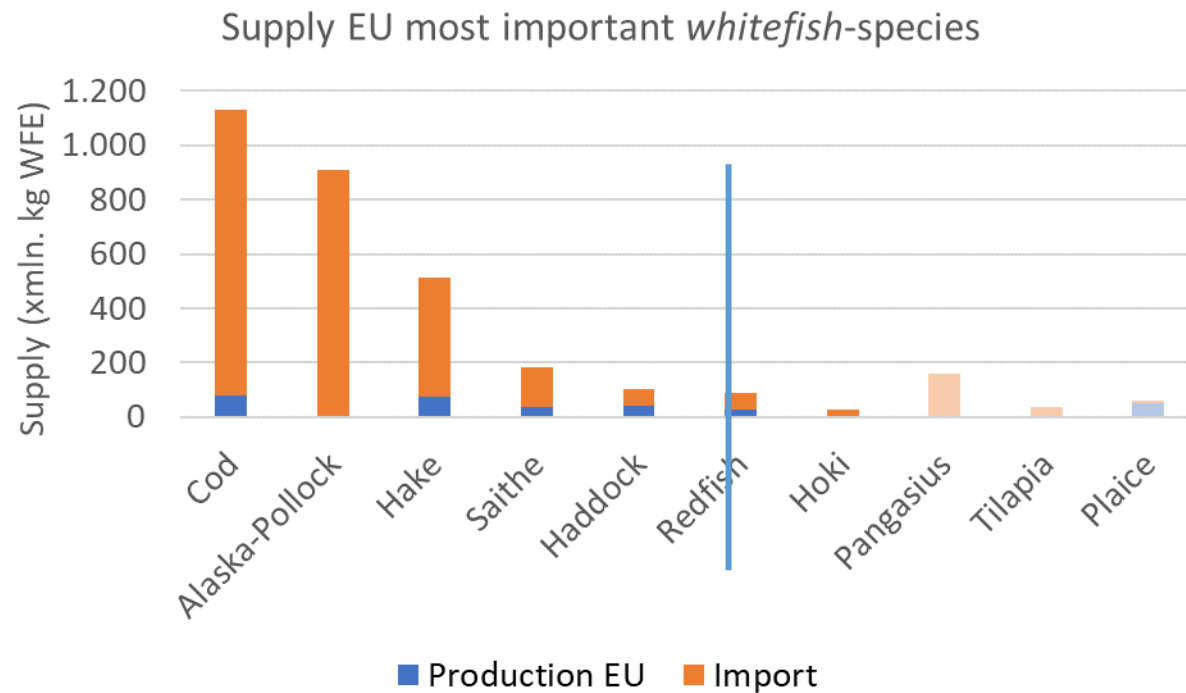
- 10.5 mln tonnes consumption
- 23.5 kg per capita EU
- Import dependency normally between 61%-63%, 2019 it was 65%
- 2020 68.7%!

*EU import  
dependance*

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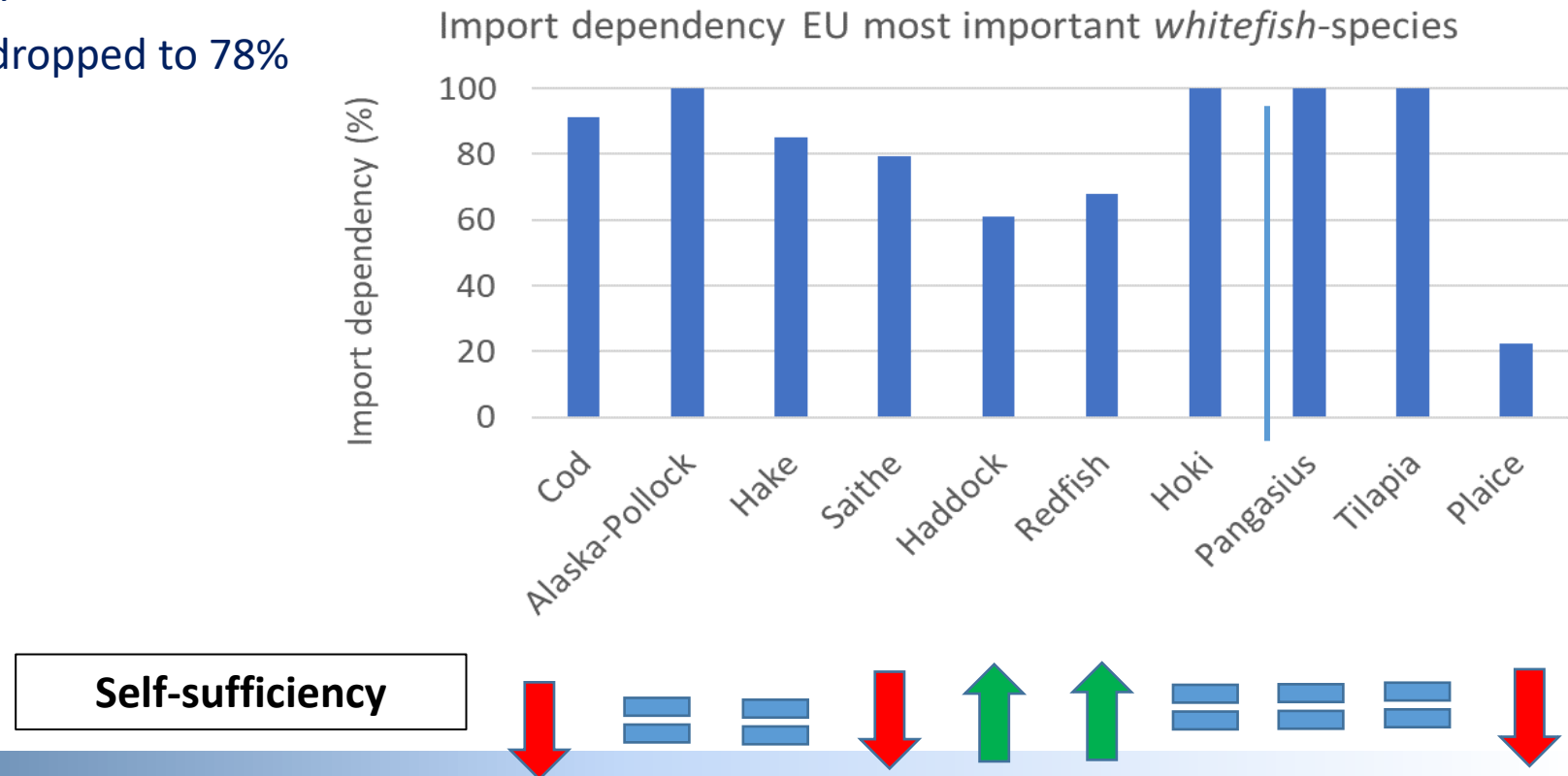
# WHITEFISH 2020

- Supply most important (wild caught) *whitefish*-species 3.0 mln. tonnes.
- Cod (1.1 mln. tonnes) and Alaska-Pollock (0.9 mln. tonnes) most important based on weight.
- Pangasius still most important farmed fish (0.2 mln. tonnes)



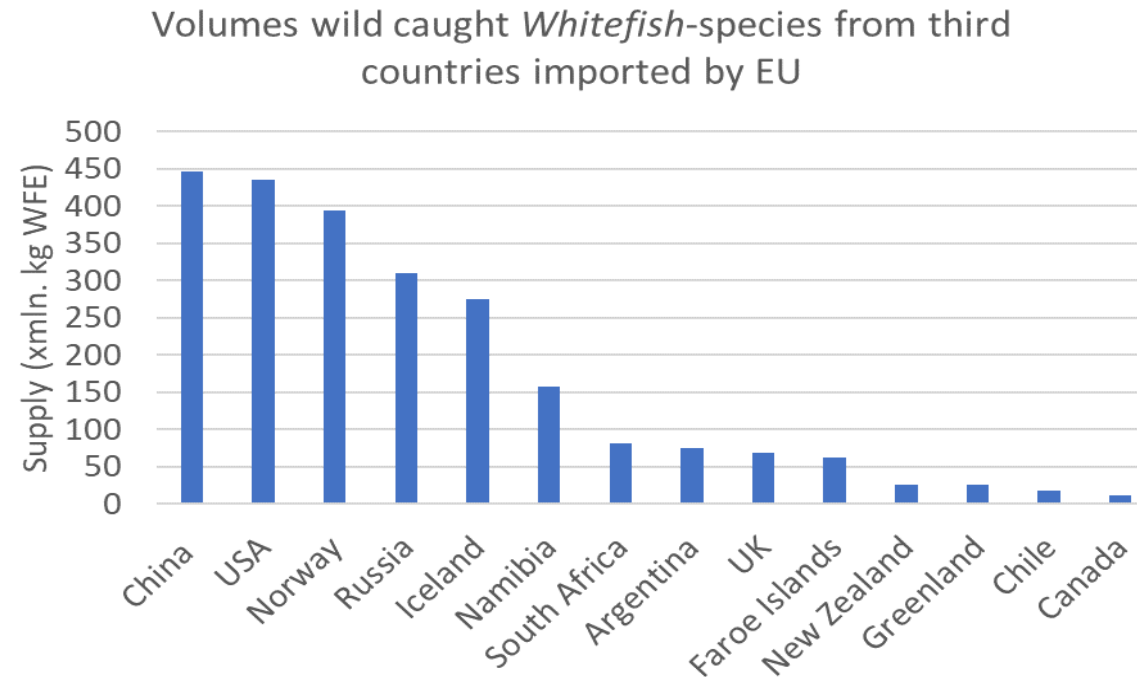
# WHITEFISH 2020 (2)

- Most important whitefish-species depending on imports
- Alaska-Pollock, hoki, pangasius and tilapia ~100%
- Average self-sufficiency around 9%!
- Plaice self-sufficiency dropped to 78%



# WHITEFISH 2020 (3)

- China and USA most important import countries (frozen fillets) with 0.45 mln. tonnes and 0.44 mln tonnes respectively
- Followed by Norway (0.39 mln. tonnes; fresh/frozen whole and dried/salted), Russia (0.31 mln. tonnes) and Iceland (0.27 mln. tonnes; frozen fillets)
- UK as new third country with 0.07 mln. tonnes 9th country of importance



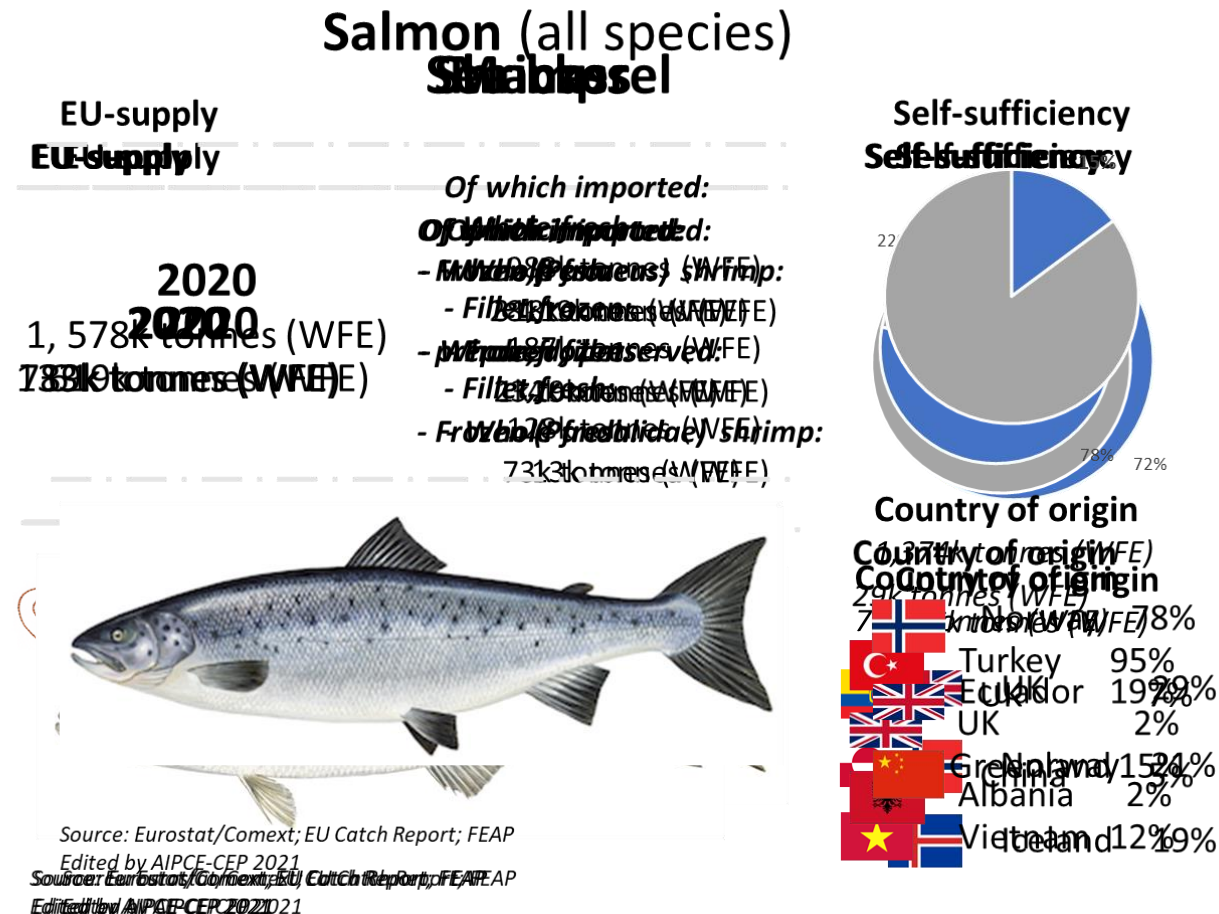
# WHITEFISH 2020 (4)

- EU Quota *whitefish* species\* in 2020 to 427.508 tonnes (ex UK)  
(7 species – Cod, Hake, Haddock, Saithe, Redfish, Hoki, Pollock & Whiting)
- Whitefish potential → +138 thousand tonnes (>275 Mln. euro)
- EU demand is 3 million tonnes and full use of potential is needed in growing global seafood demand

Jaar	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>TAC (t)</b>	497.470	498.722	481.693	503.447	512.723	519.153	519.292	427.508
<b>Supply (t)</b>	374.258	377.602	392.375	391.413	382.867	363.510	338.039	289.730
<b>Quota use</b>	75,2%	75,7%	81,5%	77,7%	74,7%	70,0%	65,1%	67,8%
<b>Potential (t)</b>	123.212	121.120	89.318	112.034	129.856	155.643	181.253	137.778

# OTHER SPECIES

- More information about other species available in the finfish study



# SUMMARY

- Total EU seafood supply 14.3 million tonnes
  - 63% comes from third country imports
- Total EU consumption 10.5 million tonnes (23.5 kg/capita)
- Self sufficiency dropped, EU in 2020 for 68.7% depending on third country imports (including UK)
- Whitefish species important in EU seafood market
- Most important Whitefish-species good for 3 mln. tonnes.
- Cod (1.1 mln. tonnes) and Alaska-Pollock (0.9 mln. tonnes) most important based on kg
- Self-sufficiency whitefish species down to 9%!
- China, Norway, USA, Iceland, Russia important for import
- FinFish study gives insights in more important EU species

# SUMMARY

- EU is the most important fish trading area worldwide, but consumption stagnates due to increased global competition
- EU production is of high importance. However, TACs drop and quota use is not optimal
- How to optimize the production potential?
- EU production of high importance for the EU seafood market, but import is essential to fulfill EU demand.



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# Thank you for your attention!

