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## LRFF trade: Facts and figures

• Live reef food fish (LRFF) is the term used for fish that are kept alive until cooking in order to preserve their freshness.







HK imports 13,000 tons in 2002 (official data)

Total Hk Imports might reach 18,000 tons/year (+unreported)

Global trade reaches 30,000 tons (HK accounted for 60%)

Worth US\$ 350 M

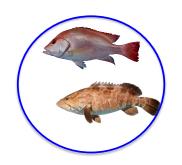
US\$ 450-500 M

US\$810M - US\$1 B

Koeshendrajana 2006, Sadovy 2003

Muldoon and Scott 2005, Sadovy 2003

Source: California Environmental Associate, 2011



# FACTS OF THE INDONESIAN POTENCY FOR LIFE FISH TRADE (SNAPPER – GROUPER SPECIES)

- ☐ World's highest species number
- ☐ Jobs and food security (Sadovy *et al.* 2013).
- ☐ Contribution to the global market: 45% snapper (Cawthorn & Mariani 2017), and 30% grouper (FAO 2021).
- ☐ Important national GDP contributor (capture fisheries)

## LRFF fishing and

trade

LRFF fishing and trade is the process of catching the fish from the sea and trading them through different middle men until they reach the end consumer ...constitute a new and unique type of tropical marine commodity because it hinges on the fish's biophysical forms and their corresponding need to be constantly immersed in clean, cool, oxygen-rich seawater to survive. ..



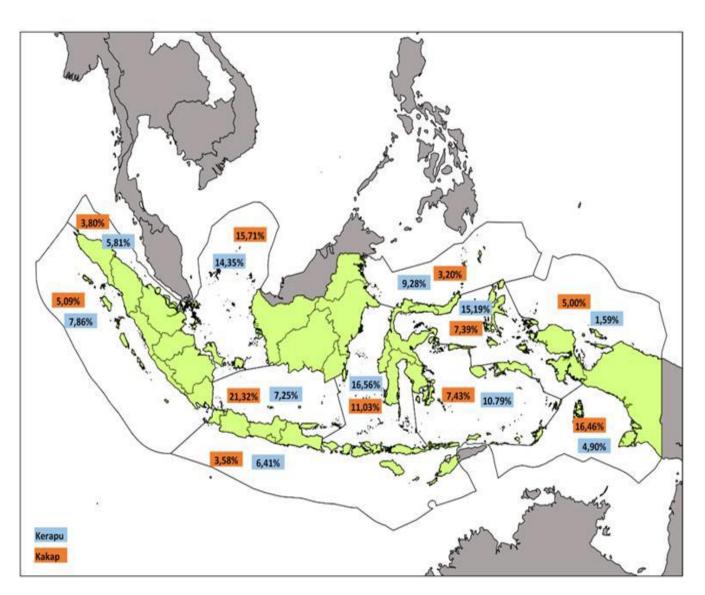
Highfinned grouper / Cromileptes altivelis IUCN Redlist: Vulnerable

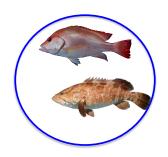
Local name	Indonesian	English	Latin
Napoleon	Napoleon	Napoleon wrasse, humphead wrasse	Cheilinus undulatus
Sunu tikus	Kerapu tikus	Polkadot grouper, highfinned grouper, barramundi cod	Cromileptes altivelis
Sunu merah	Kerapu merah / sunu merah	Coral trout, leopard grouper	Plectropomus leopardus
Sunu merah	Sunu pappa	Polkadot cod	Plectropomus areolatus
Sunu merah	Kerapu merah / sunu merah	Violet coral trout	Plectropomus pessuliferus
Sunu kwaci	Sunu kwaci	Red-flushed cod	Aethaloperca logaa
Sunu macan /	Sunu macan	Tiger grouper	Epinephelus fuscoguttatus
kerapu lumpur			
Sunu bone	Sunu bone	Spotted coral trout	Plectropomus maculatus



Napoleon Wrasse / Cheilinus undulatus IUCN Redlist : Endangered

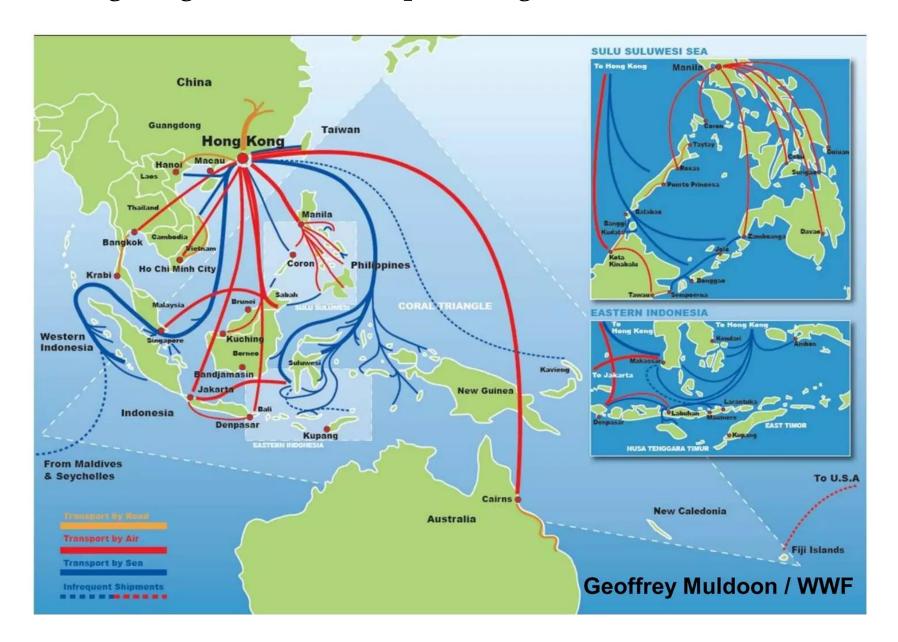
## **Snapper - Grouper by FMA (Fishery Management Area)**





- ❖ Primary areas for snapper (FMA 712 and 718); grouper (FMA 713 and 715)
- Fishing gears: bottom longline, handline, longline, traps, gillnet

## Hongkong is the most important global market for LRFF

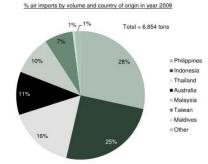


#### Hongkong as the Main Global Market

# Size of the trade: Previous reviews suggested that the global LRFF market was worth approximately \$800M to \$1B at the point of sale; with 30,000 tons of LRFF traded globally per year from 1999-2002

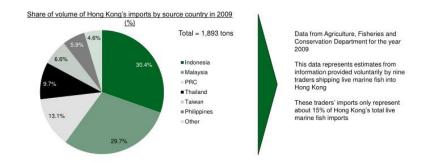
Value/Volume	Reference	Assumptions and Methodology	
Official Hong Kong imports of 13,000 tons in 2002; worth an estimated \$350M at final point of sale	Sonny Koeshendrajana (2006), citing Sadovy (2003)	Volume estimate from 2002; provided by CSD and AFCD data – CSD represents mainly imports by air, and AFCD does not identify source country for import data.  Price used to determine market value was approximately \$27 per kg (roughly the average retail price of select species in March 2003)  Only includes officially reported import data	
Total HK imports may have been 18,000 tons annually, if we estimate unreported imports, worth \$450-500M under the same assumptions	Geoffrey Muldoon, Peter Scott, APEC (2005), citing Sadovy (2003)	Uses the above assumptions and methodology but includes an <b>estimate of unreported imports</b> ; Assumes that Hong Kong-flagged fishing vessels only declare half of their imports of LRFF	
Global trade estimated at 30,000 tons, worth \$810M-\$1B annually, assuming Hong Kong is 60% of the market	Pomeroy, et. al. (2005) citing McGilvray and Chan (2001) Padilla et. al. (2003) citing \$1 billion from Pratt et. al. (2000)	Uses the above assumptions to estimate world market value of live reef food fish.  Assumes that Hong Kong, China is 60% of the market, including re-exports	
	Sadovy (2003) extrapolating \$810 million		

### According to Hong Kong's CSD, imports of live reef food fish by air were highest from Philippines, Indonesia and Thailand





#### In 2009, reported landings by fishing vessels indicated that Indonesia and Malaysia were the largest suppliers to Hong Kong by sea



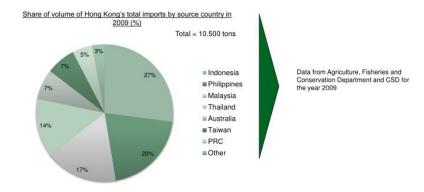
Tiger grouper, leopard coralitrout, green grouper, flowery grouper, brown-spotted grouper, roving spotted grouper, barred cheek coral trout, speckled blue grouper, spotted coralitrout, giant grouper, mangrove snapper, high finned grouper, other wrasses and parrottishes

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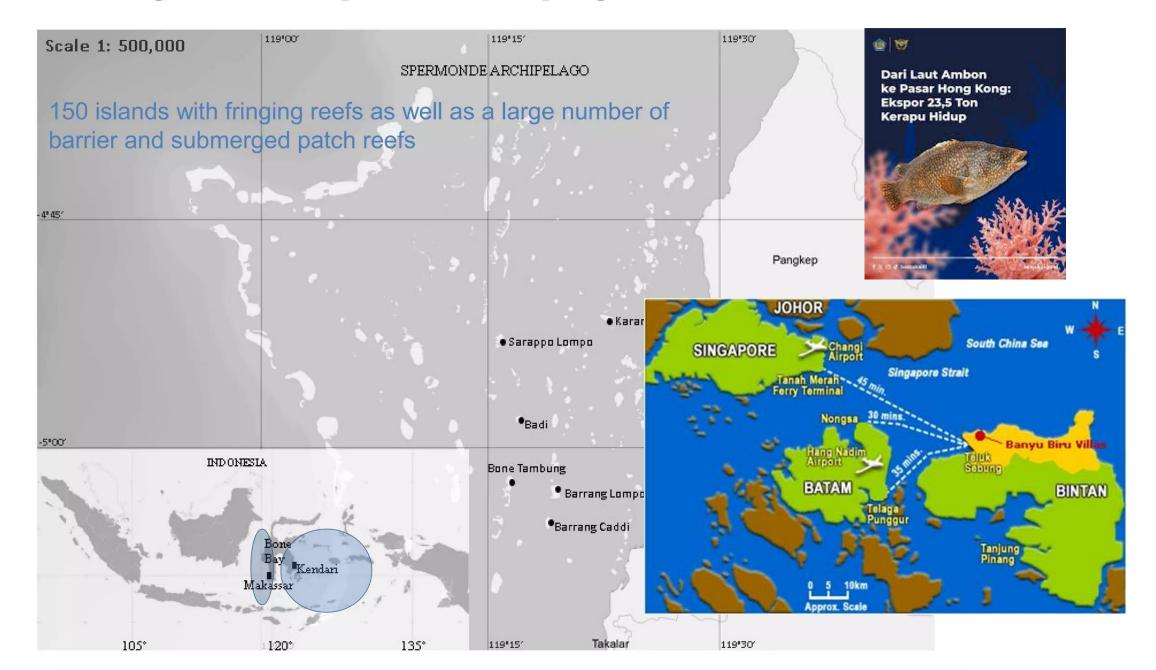
If we double landings by fishing vessels and include air shipments landings, two-thirds of the overall Hong Kong imports come from Indonesia, the Philippines, and Malaysia.



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#### LRFF fishing and trade in Spermonde Archipelago, South Sulawesi, Indonesia



## Snapper-Grouper Export from Indonesia



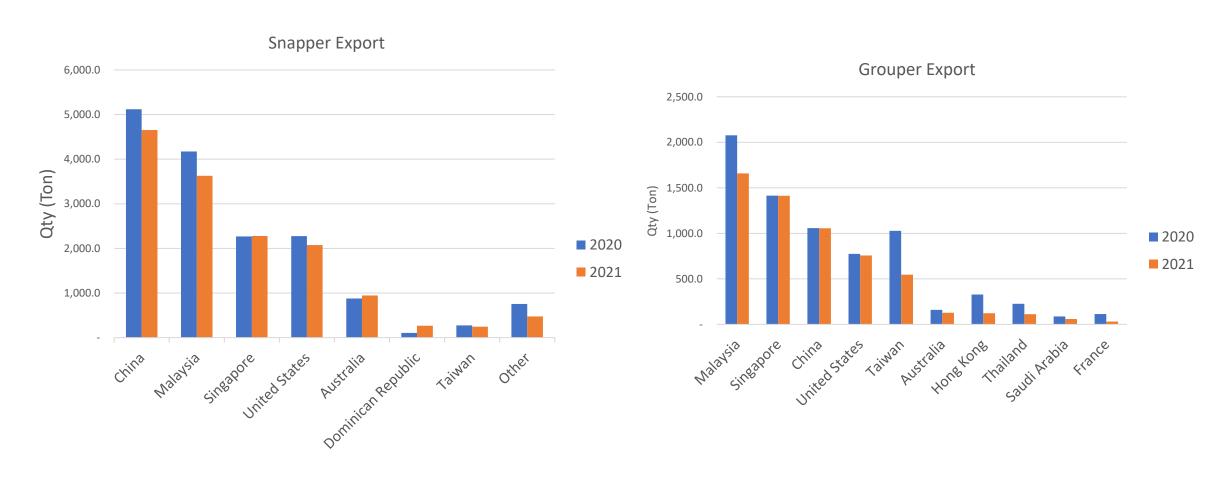


#### Grouper



Source: BKIPM (June 2023)

## Snapper-Grouper Export Destination Countries (2020-2021)



Source: BKIPM (2022)

## What is the problems

- Over fishing (non resilience; massive depletion e.g. Napoleon)
- Cyanide fishing (impacts on coral reefs)
- Protoginy hermaphrodite (sex reversal)
- Targeting sexually mature female (super size)
- Targeting plate size (golden size)

## Harvest Control Rules based on SPR SNAPPER AND GROUPER IN FMA 713 (HARVEST STRATEGY)

#### SPR Kakap



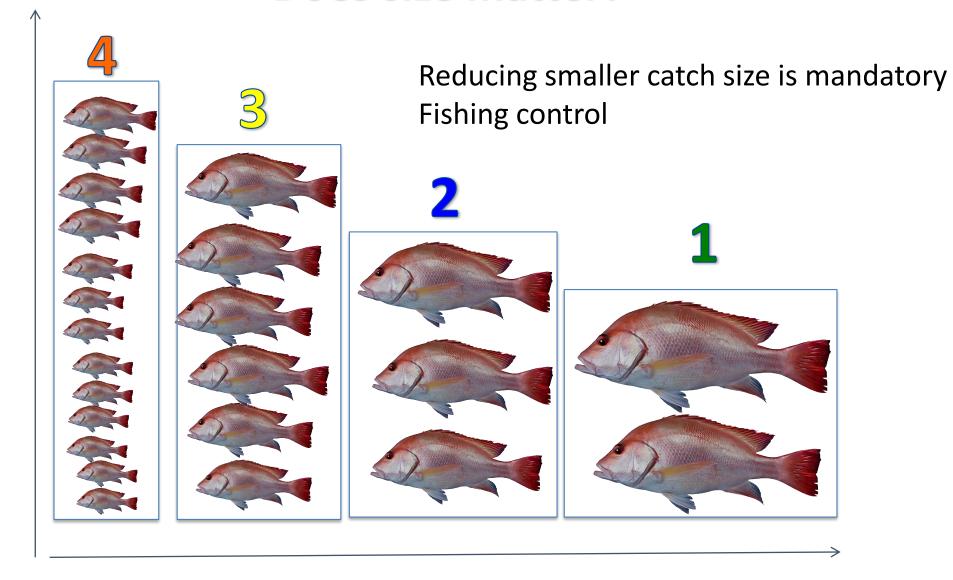
No	Species	SPR VALUE (%)			
Snapper		2016	2017	2018	
1.	Lutjanus malabaricus	39 (33-45)	36 (31-41)	20 (18-22)	
2.	Pristipomoides multidens	44 (42-46)	46 (43-50)	30 (28-31)	
3.	Aphareus rutilans	NA	19 (5-33)	31 (28-34)	

#### **SPR** Kerapu



No	Species	SPR value (%)		
Grouper		2016	2017	2018
1.	Epinephelus coioides (orange-spotted grouper)	NA	47 (32-61)	58 (51-65)
2.	Epinephelus areolatus (tiger grouper)	19 (18-20)	18 (17-18)	11 (10-11)
3.	<i>Variola albimarginata</i> (Kerapu ekor bulan)	20 (17-22)	35 (30-40)	29 (24-33)
4.	Plectropomus leopardus (Kerapu sunu/lodi)	10 (8-11)	14 (12-16)	9 (8-10)

## Does size matter?



Length (cm)

Individual/biomass





Catching the fish

Sodium cyanide/ potassium cyanide







Keeping the fish 'healthy and fresh'

Anesthetizing the fish







Ready to transport

# ✓ Aspects to Life Reef Fish Trade Sustainability

- Stock rebuilding (Restocking, Catch Limiting Size, Fishing Gears, Open-closed System, Right-Based Fishery, Harvest Control Rules, etc.)
- Catch data monitoring (logbook on landing, observer, and processing unit recording)
- Vessel registration (small & large scale)
- ETP species
- Policies and regulation (compliance, law enforcement)

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