




Fish in the Filipino Diet

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Give a man a fish and
you feed him for a day;
teach a man how to fish
and you feed him for
a lifetime.

~ Author Unknown

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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- I. Introduction
- II. Benefits and Possible Contaminants in Fish
- III. Results of Household Food Consumption of the National Nutrition Surveys (NNSs)

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Lets talk about *Fish*



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Fish & Fish products

Fresh fish



Dried fish



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Fish & Fish products

Processed fish



Crustaceans and mollusks



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Globally...

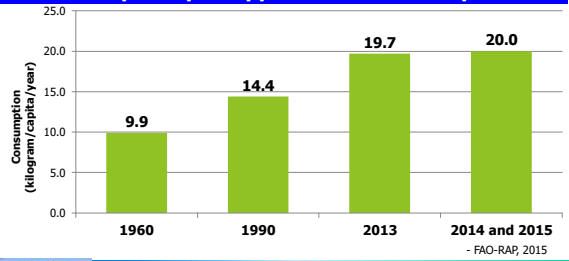
...world per capita apparent fish consumption increased from 1960s to 2014 and 2015.

...China remained the major producer of fish and fish products followed by Indonesia, the United States of America and the Russian Federation
- FAO-SOFIA, 2016



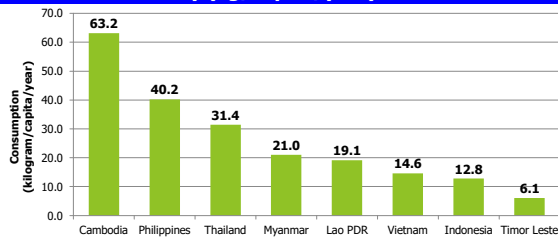
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World per capita apparent fish consumption



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Consumption of fish and fish products as determined by households survey (kg/capita/year) in Southeast Asia



- FAO-RAP, 2015

The Philippines....

.....is a major fishing nation and the world's second largest archipelagic state.

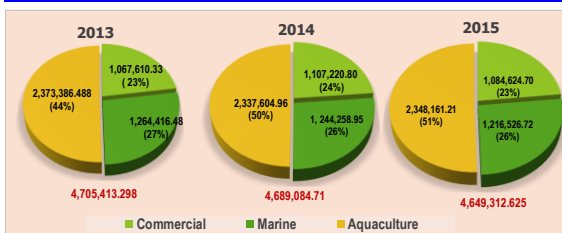
.....ranked fifth in the top 25 producers and main groups of farmed species in 2014 (FAO-SOFIA, 2016)

.... In 2015, Filipino households consumed 101 grams per capita per day of fish and fish products.



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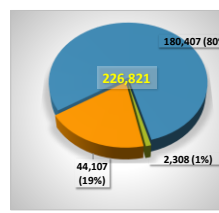
Fisheries: Volume of Production (in metric tons) by Sector: Philippines, 2013-2015



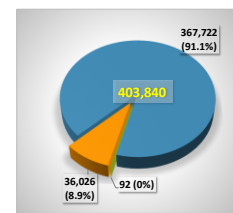
- Fisheries Statistics of the Philippines 2013-2015

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Volume (in metric tons) of Export of Fish and Fishery Products: Philippines, 2015



Volume (in metric tons) of Import of Fish and Fishery Products: Philippines, 2015



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Recommended Intake of Fish and Fish Products

Nutritional Guidelines for Filipinos

Guideline Nos. 1 and 4

- ✓ Eat a variety of foods everyday.
- ✓ Consume **FISH**, lean meat, poultry and dried beans.

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Recommended Intake of Fish and Fish Products

Pinggang Pinoy

✓ Eat **FISH, SHELLFISH**, lean meat, poultry, eggs and dried beans and nuts needed for the growth, maintenance and repair of body tissues.

✓ Include **fatty fish** in the diet like tuna, sardines and mackerel **2-3 times a week** to provide essential fatty acids that help protect against heart diseases and for the child's brain development.

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Energy and nutrient content* of commonly consumed fishes¹

Name	Energy (kcal)	Protein (g)	Iron (g)	Calcium (g)	Vit A (mcg RE)	Vit C (g)	Thiamin (mg)	Riboflavin (g)	Niacin (mg)	Fat (g)	Carbohydrates (g)
Galunggong	100	20.4	1.2	61	61.7	0	0.14	0.18	7.8	2.1	0
Bangus	136	19.8	1.2	44	136.7	0	0.02	0.1	7.8	6.4	0
Tilapia	107	18.1	0.8	74	65.8	0	0.06	0.2	4.6	3.8	0
Tulingan	119	24.0	1.2	41	90.8	0	0.26	0.24	14.7	2.6	0
Tamban	121	19.5	1.6	121	30.8	0	0.01	0.17	8	4.7	0.1

* Based on 1997 Philippine Food Composition Table
¹ 2015 Updating Survey, FNRI-DOST

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Sample Fish Dishes and its Energy and Nutrient Content

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FISH ESCABECHE

Type of Fish: Galunggong

Method of Cooking: Boiled

Weight Per Serving: 17.8 g

Estimated Cost Per Serving: 35.00 Php

Energy and Nutrient Content of Galunggong Escabeche:

Energy: 22 kcal	
Carbohydrates: 0.0 g	Vitamin A: 13.5 mcg RE
Protein: 4.5 g	Vitamin C: 0.0 mg
Fats: 0.5 g	Thiamin: 0.03 mg
Iron: 0.3 mg	Riboflavin: 0.04 mg
Calcium: 13.33 g	Niacin: 1.7 mg

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SINIGANG NA BANGUS

Type of Fish: Bangus

Method of Cooking: Boiled

Weight Per Serving: 40.8 g

Estimated Cost Per Serving: 50.00 Php

Energy and Nutrient Content of Sinigang na Bangus:

Energy: 70 kcal	
Carbohydrates: 0.0 g	Vitamin A: 70.8 mcg RE
Protein: 10.3 g	Vitamin C: 0.0 mg
Fats: 3.3 g	Thiamin: 0.01 mg
Iron: 0.6 mg	Riboflavin: 0.05 mg
Calcium: 22.80 g	Niacin: 4.0 mg

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What are the Benefits of consuming fish and fish products?

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BENEFITS

- ✓ Fish is a **low-fat, high quality protein**


Fish is a good source of high quality protein that is not high in saturated fat (USDA 2010; AHA, 2012).



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BENEFITS


- ✓ Contains good source of **Omega-3 fatty acids**
 - may lower risk of heart attacks and strokes
 - reduces risk of some types of cancers
 - reduces risk of type 1 diabetes in children, and form of autoimmune diabetes in adults
 - essential for growth and development.



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BENEFITS


- ✓ Linked to reduced decline in brain function in old age
 - People who eat more fish have **slower rates of cognitive decline**
- ✓ May help prevent and treat depression
 - Studies found that **people who eat fish regularly are much less likely to become depressed**



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BENEFITS

- ✓ Contains a wide variety of **vitamins** such as **D** and **B2 (riboflavin)**.
- ✓ Rich in **calcium** and **phosphorus** and a great source of minerals, such as **iron, zinc, iodine, magnesium, and potassium**.



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What are the possible Contaminants in Fish and fish products that may lead to Health Risk?



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➤ **Environmental Pollutants**

Some fish contain **methylmercury** which is toxic to the nervous system, especially the developing brain.






MERCURY HEALTH EFFECTS



- Deteriorates nervous system
- Impairs hearing, speech, vision and gait
- Causes involuntary muscle movements
- Corrodes skin and mucous membranes
- Causes choking and swallowing to become difficult



Think **small**. Eat smaller species such as **sardines**, **anchovies** and **salmon**. They are considered a little safer to eat.

Avoid **BIG** predatory fish like **swordfish**, **mackerel** and **shark**, which accumulate more mercury.

➤ **Allergic Reaction**

Protein allergens present in fish and shellfish may cause allergic reactions like **hives, swelling, and/or gut reactions (vomiting, diarrhea)**. Most dangerous symptoms are **difficulty in breathing or collapse**.








Seafood Poisoning

➤ **Scombroid food poisoning**

- foodborne illness that results from eating spoiled (decayed) fish.




FNRI-DOST is mandated to undertake researches that define and update the Philippine food and nutrition situation in the country.




LEGAL BASIS

EO 128 Section 22 (Jan. 1987)

The Food and Nutrition Research Institute (FNRI) undertakes the National Nutrition Survey (NNS) every five years in cognizant to its mandate of defining the country's nutrition condition and status of the population

EO 352 (Jan. 1996)

The NNSs are one of the country's designated statistical activities that generates critical data for policy/decision-making of both government and private sector

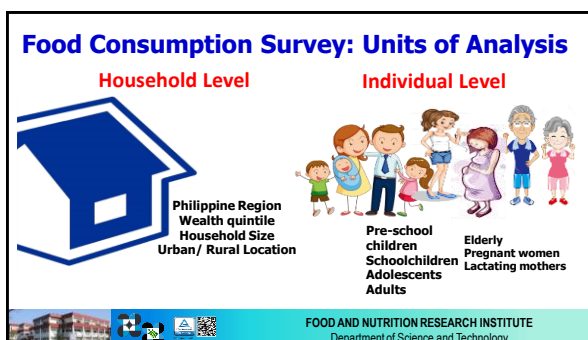
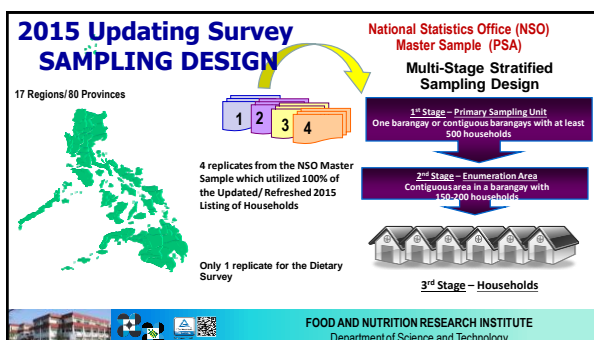


HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

SURVEY COMPONENTS	SURVEY PERIOD									
	1978	1982	1987	1993	1998	2003	2008	2013	2015	
Anthropometry	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Biochemical	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
Clinical & MDG Outcomes	✓	✓	✓	✓	HDL Study	NHHeS	NHHeS	✓	✓	BP & MDG
Dietary: Household	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Individual	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	-
Socio-Economic	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Food Insecurity	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Government Program Participation	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Infant and Young Child Feeding	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Maternal Health and Nutritional Status	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓

METHODOLOGY

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HOUSEHOLD FOOD CONSUMPTION SURVEY

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HOUSEHOLD LEVEL

Method: Household Food Weighing

- Actual intake of the household is measured for one-day using food weighing method, from breakfast through supper including snacks, before cooking
- Foods eaten outside the home by household members are recalled and recorded
- Plate waste, left-overs and foods given-out are weighed and subtracted from the foods weighed to get the actual intake

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INDIVIDUAL FOOD CONSUMPTION SURVEY



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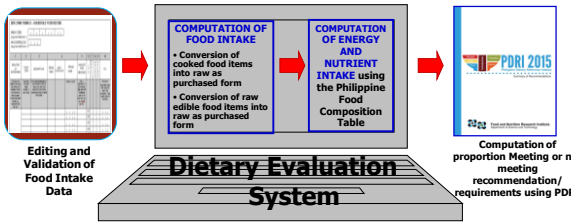
Individual Level
Method: 24-Hour Food Recall



2 Day Non-Consecutive 24-hr Food Recalls for all members of sample households included in the Household Food Consumption Survey

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Flowchart of analysis of food intake



Editing and Validation of Food Intake Data → **COMPUTATION OF FOOD INTAKE** → **COMPUTATION OF ENERGY AND NUTRIENT INTAKE using the Philippine Food Composition Table** → **COMPUTATION of proportion Meeting or not meeting requirements using PDR1**

Dietary Evaluation System

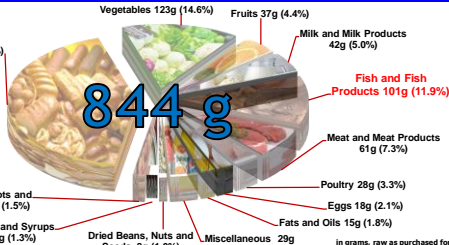
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RESULTS

Household Food Consumption of the National Nutrition Surveys

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Mean one-day per capita food intake by food groups, 2015



844 g

Food Group	Amount (g)	Percentage (%)
Cereals and Cereal Products	358g	42.4%
Vegetables	123g	14.6%
Fruits	37g	4.4%
Milk and Milk Products	42g	5.0%
Fish and Fish Products	101g	11.9%
Meat and Meat Products	61g	7.3%
Poultry	28g	3.3%
Eggs	18g	2.1%
Fats and Oils	15g	1.8%
Miscellaneous	29g	3.5%
Dried Beans, Nuts and Seeds	8g	1.0%
Sugar and Syrups	11g	1.3%
Starchy Roots and Tubers	12g	1.5%

In grams, raw as purchased form

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Fish and Fish Products Consumption in the Philippines

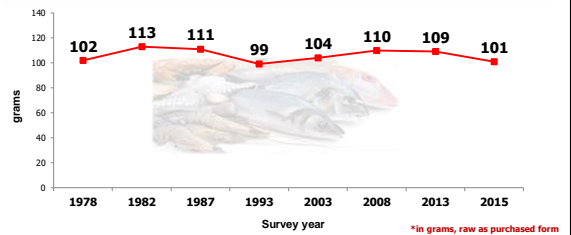


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Mean one-day per capita intake of Fish and Fish products

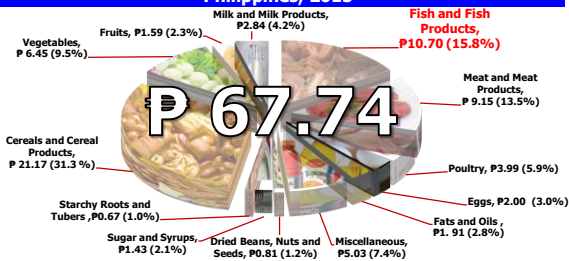
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Trend in mean one-day intake* of fish and fish products: 1978-2015

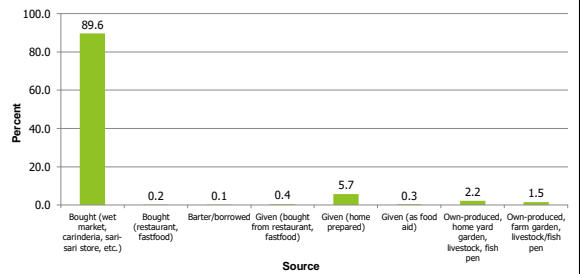


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Mean one-day per capita food cost by food groups: Philippines, 2015



Sources of fish and fish products among Filipino households



Commonly consumed fish and fish products and percent (%) of households consuming: Philippines, 2015

Fish and Fish products	Frequency	% of Households Consuming
FRESH FISH		
Galunggong	0.1	10.3
Bangus	0.1	9.3
Tilapia	0.1	8.7
Tulingan	0.1	7.8
Tamban	0.1	4.3

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Commonly consumed fish and fish products and percent (%) of households consuming: Philippines, 2015.

Fish and Fish products	Frequency	% of Households Consuming
DRIED FISH		
Tamban, tuyo	0.1	8.7
Galunggong, daing	0.03	3.0
Dilis, tuyo	0.02	2.2
Sapsap, tuyo	0.01	0.9
Tamban, daing	0.01	0.9

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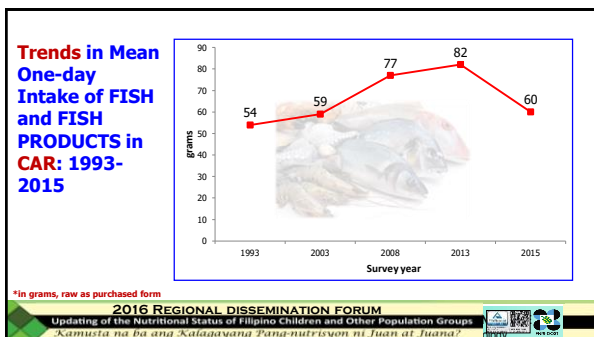
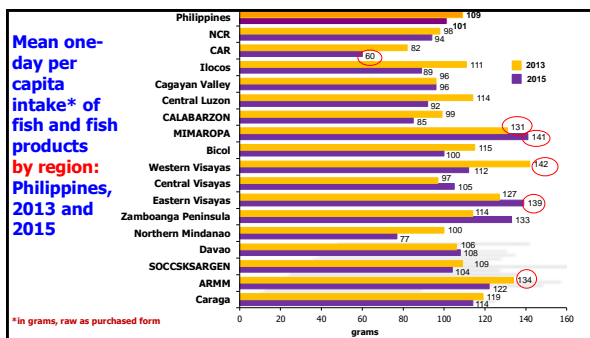
Fish and Fish products	Frequency	% of Households Consuming
PROCESSED FISH		
Sardines in tomato sauce, cnd	0.1	11.2
Bagoong isda, ginamos	0.1	6.4
Patis	0.1	5.3
Shrimp paste (Alamang)	0.02	2.2
Galunggong, smoked	0.02	2.1

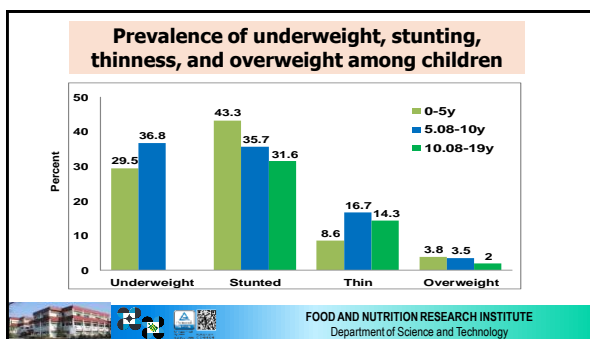
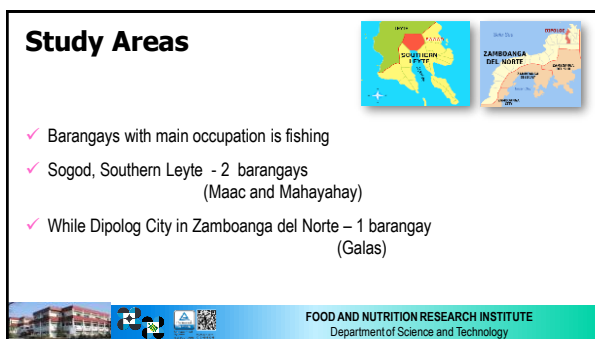
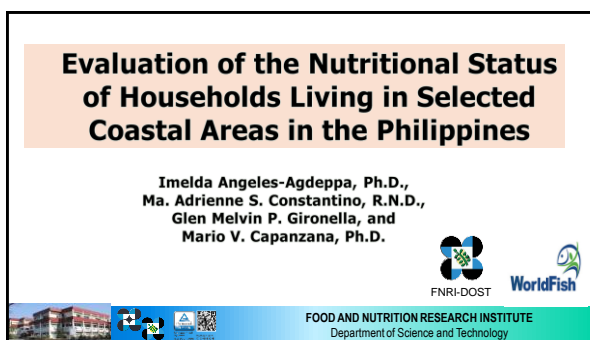
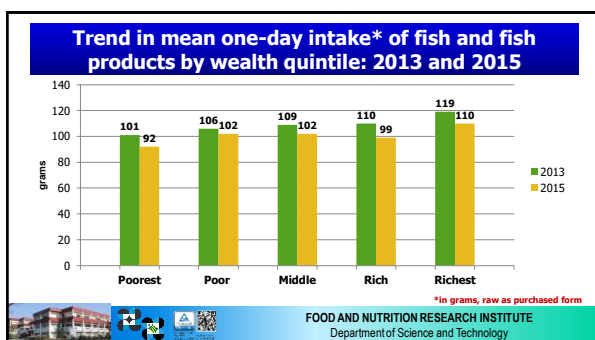
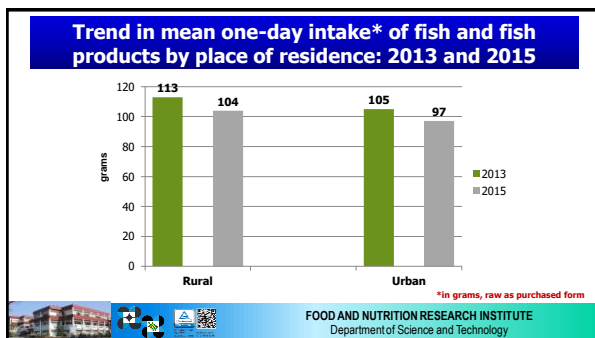
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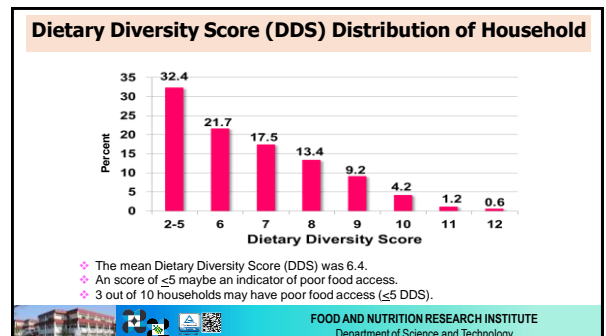
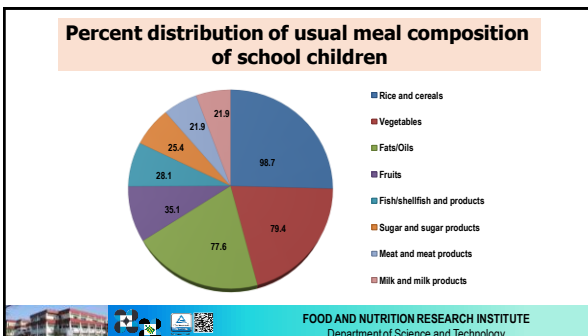
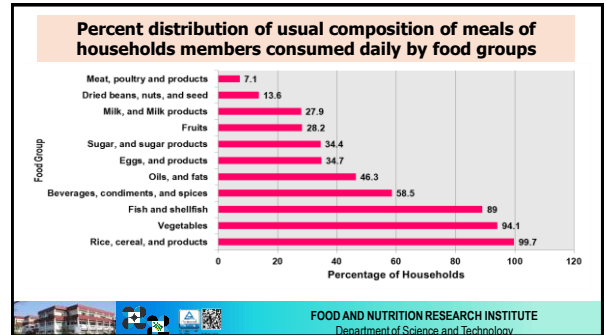
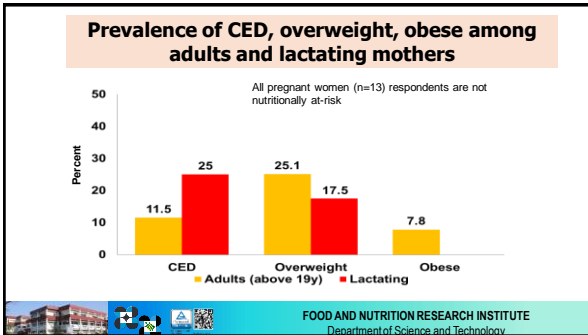
Commonly consumed fish and fish products and percent (%) of households consuming: Philippines, 2015

Fish and Fish products	Frequency	% of Households Consuming
CRUSTACEANS and MOLLUSK		
Pusit	0.02	1.8
Shrimp, banana prawn (puti)	0.01	1.4
Shrimp greasy back, suwahe	0.01	1.2
Shrimp small marine dried (hibe)	0.01	0.9
Shrimp sergestid, alamang	0.01	0.7

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The study concludes that...

- Underweight and stunting among children are the primary problems due to the interplay of multiple factors: poverty, poor food access, and low diet variety.
- Low intake of protein-rich foods may have an implication on stunting among children.

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SUMMARY

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SUMMARY

- **Fish** is a part of the typical diet of every Filipino.
- The highest fish and fish products consumption were recorded in **MIMAROPA** and **Eastern Visayas** region.



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SUMMARY

- Fish is loaded with important **nutrients** and the best source of **omega-3 fatty acids**.
- However, fish may contain **mercury** and **other contaminants** that may have risk for health.



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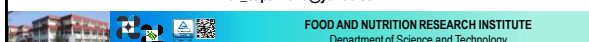
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