

Economic Evolution of Fish Farms

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Feeding Level or Feeding ratio

**Amount of food given for fish
Depending on total fish
wet weight**

FR ranging between 1-20% depending on the following factors

2- Size and age of fish

1- Fish species

4- Light period

3- Water temperature

6- Purpose of cultivation

**5- Chemical and physical
characteristics of water**

Practical method for measuring Daily Food (DF)

DF depend on total fish weight and FR

1- Calculate total fish weight

2- Determine FR

3- Calculate DF according to following formula

$$\text{Daily Food} = (\text{Feeding Ratio} \times \text{Total Fish Weight}) / 100$$

1- Food conversion rate (FCR)

2- Specific Growth Rate (SGR)

3- Daily Growth Rate (DGR)

FCR = Weight of food consumed/Increased weight of fish

FCR = Daily Food X Days No./ $(W_2 - W_1)$ X fish No.

SGR = $(\ln W_2 - \ln W_1 / t_2 - t_1) \times 100$

DGR = $(W_2 - W_1) / (t_2 - t_1)$

W_2 = Average Fish Weight at time t_2

W_1 = Average Fish Weight at time t_1

Example

1000 fish of average weight 10 g cultured in pond for 30 days
It is fed on commercial diet at 5% FL, Its average weight became 15 g. Calculate FCR, DGR and SGR

$$\text{FCR} = (\text{DF} \times \text{No. days}) / (\text{W}_2 - \text{W}_1) \text{ Fish No.}$$

$$\text{Daily Food} = (\text{Fish Weight} \times \text{Feeding Ratio}) / 100$$

$$\text{Fish Weight} = \text{Average Fish Weight} \times \text{Fish No.}$$

$$\text{Fish Weight} = 10 \times 1000 = 10\,000 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Daily Food} = (10000 \times 5) / 100 = 500 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{FCR} = (500 \times 30) / \{(15 - 10) \times 1000\} = 3$$

$$\text{SGR} = (\text{Ln } W_2 - \text{Ln } W_1 / t_2 - t_1) \times 100$$

$$\text{SGR} = (\text{Ln } 15 - \text{Ln } 5 / 30) \times 100$$

$$\text{SGR} = (2.7 - 2.3 / 30) \times 100$$

$$\text{SGR} = 1.3\%/\text{day}$$

$$\text{DGR} = (W_2 - W_1) / t_2 - t_1$$

$$\text{DGR} = 15 - 10 / 30$$

$$\text{DGR} = 5 / 30$$

$$\text{DGR} = 0.167 \text{ g/day}$$

HOMEWORK

10000 fish of average weight 30 g cultured in pond on artificial food at 5% FL, results obtained as follow. Evaluate The work of this pond and give advice to the culturist.

الوفيات	معدل الوزن (غم)	التاريخ
0	30	1/3/2009
0	45	20/3/2009
0	100	19/4/2009
50	220	20/5/2009
0	310	10/6/2009