

**Numbers of Dolphins Exported from Japan (Mainly Taiji)
And Countries that Bought the Dolphins (2002~2008)**

Year	Dolphins Exported		Details				Notes
	Grand total	Price (1,000yen)	Countries bought dolphins	Numbers	Price (1,000 Yen)	Approximate Price per one animal (1,000 yen)	(Currently 100 yen is nearly 1 US dollar.)
2002	17	38,866	China	6	24,000	4,000	
			Taiwan	11	14,866	1,351	
2003	8	34,298	China	8	34,298	4,287	
2004	14	48,352	China	5	23,749	4,750	
			Taiwan	5	14,053	2,811	
			Philippines	4	10,550	2,638	
2005	18	87,310	China	17	84,556	4,974	
			Taiwan	1	2,754	2754	
2006	11	47,368	China	11	47,368	4,306	According to the documents issued by the Taiji Whale Museum(TWM), 9 animals exported from TWM. If TWM reported honestly, two of them would be exported from other places, possibly from the private dolphin retailers in Taiji
2007	29	127,285	China	25	115,166	4,607	According to the documents issued by TWM, 10 animals exported from TWM. If TWM reported honestly, the rest of them would be exported from other places including the private dolphin retailers in Taiji.
			Philippines	4	12,119	3,030	
2008	56	286,212	Korea	1	4,516	4,516	The Taiji Assembly decided to export 3 bottlenose dolphins to Korea on Dec.17. 2008. Therefore, two of them would be exported in December 2008 or will be exported this year. The Financial Bureau hasn't reported it yet.
			China	27	153,286	5,677	27 animals to China include 2 bottlenose dolphins from TWM, 3 Pacific white-sided dolphins from TWM, one false killer whale from TWM, and one Risso's dolphin from TWM. The species of the rest of the dolphins are not clear. (They seem to have been exported from other places including private dolphin retailers in Taiji.) According to the documents from Taiji, only 24 out of 56 dolphins were exported from TWM. The rest of them would be exported from other places. The drive hunt is carried out only in Taiji at present. The drive hunt in Futo has not been carried out since 2005. Therefore, most of the dolphins would be exported from Taiji -possibly from Dolphin Base, World Dolphin Resort, or Isana Union in the Taiji Fishery Cooperative. In recent years reportedly the World Dolphin Resort was very active in dolphin trading business.
			Iran	12	61,297	5,108	6 bottlenose dolphins and 6 Pacific white-sided dolphins.
			the United Arab Emirates	4	30,846	7,712	bottlenose dolphins.
			Turkey	12	36,267	3,022	At the same time two dolphins were sold to Turkey from Dolphin Lair in Okayama prefecture.

Source: Trade Statistics of Japan issued by the Financial Bureau. Documents: A Report of Taiji Town 2006 & 2007. Documents issued by the Taiji Town Assembly. Correspondence with a Taiji Town Councilman.

**Numbers of Dolphins Exported from Japan (Mainly Taiji)
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Year	Dolphins Exported		Details				Notes
	Grand total	Price (1,000yen)	Countries bought dolphins	Numbers	Price (1,000yen)	Approximate Price per one animal (1,000 yen)	Currently 1 US dollar is less than 100 yen, sometimes 85~75 yen.
2009	34	133,519	the Republic of Korea	8	28,239	3,530	
			China	22	91,113	4,142	
			Philippines	4	14,167	3,542	
2010	79	276,950	China	44	187,157	4,254	
			Thailand	11	47,853	4,350	
			Saudi Arabia	4	15,694	3,924	
			Ukraine	16	10,552	660	Four out of 16 dolphins were exported from Ukraine into Egypt in the end of January or in the beginning of February, 2011, and two of them died soon.
			Egypt	4	15,694	3,924	Four bottlenose dolphins were imported into Egypt through a businessman in August, 2010.
2011 January ~June	62	209,794	the Republic of Korea	6	22,126	3,688	
			China	44	143,508	3,262	
			the Republic of Georgia	7	25,940	3,706	
			the Republic of Tunisia	5	18,220	3,644	

Source: Trade Statistics of Japan by the Financial Bureau

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