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Title: **Is there a future for salmon futures? An analysis of the prospects of a potential futures market for salmon**

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Abstract: Many futures contracts for food commodities have been introduced; however, most of them have been withdrawn from the market due to poor liquidity. In this paper, various known success factors for futures contracts with regards to a proposed futures contract for salmon are discussed. Based on the various criteria from the literature, the conclusion is that a salmon contract might have difficulties to survive for a long period, and alternative means to manage the price risk which undoubtedly exists in the salmon industry are proposed.

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