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GUIDE FOR THE CORRECT USE OF THE FOOD FOR CACHAMAS AND OTHER AMAZONIC SPECIES

FOODS	Size Of The Food	Rank Of Weight Of The Fish	Rate of Feeding (% weight/day)	Feeding Frequency	Factor of nutritional conversion
CACHAMA-28%	Extrusion 3 mm	20.0-50.0 g.	Aprox. 8%	3-4 times/day	1.2-1.5: 1.0 ⁽¹⁾
	Extrusion 5 mm	50.0-200.0 g.	Aprox. 7%		
CACHAMA-24%	Extrusion 7 mm	200-450.0 g.	3-6 %	3 times/day	
	Extrusion 10 mm	> 450.0 g.			

⁽²⁾ This value is only referential; it can vary substantially based on other types of foods that every systems or culture practices of each region or country have. In the Ecuadorian amazonian region there are several levels of technology in the handling of the production of cachamas. Systems with good technology cultivate the fish up to 600 g in a time of 4 - 4,5 months, with densities up to 3 animales/m² reaching a factor of conversion of 1.0:1.0; but, also there is simpler production systems, concerning farmers, who cultivate the fish up to 400 g, reaching this weight in 3-3.5 months, with conversions near 1.2:1.0.