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Strong prawn supplies mean good prices for CQ consumers

Prawn supplies are expected to be strong through to Easter with strong wild catch numbers from the Gulf and prawn farmers increasing production, the Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga said today.

As a result, consumers will benefit from competitive pricing with Tiger, Endeavour and Banana prawns on sale at many seafood retail outlets from less than \$20 a kilo.

Ms Lauga said the high levels of supply were good news for customers.

"Everyone knows Queensland prawns are the best in the world, and I hope every family will be able to enjoy them over the next few months.

"Strong supplies should mean competitive prices and that makes this great Queensland seafood even more accessible to Queenslanders."

Queensland Seafood Marketers Association president Marshall Betzel said it's been a very, very good season all round for all the popular prawn species.

"Favourable weather and good management policy were strong factors in ensuring good catches," Mr Betzel said.

"In my opinion Endeavour Prawns are the best tasting prawn in Australia and there's plenty for everyone this Christmas and they are priced very well.

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Phone: (07) 4913 1500 Fax: (07) 4913 1509 Email: keppel@parliament.qld.gov.au **WEBSITE** www.brittanylauga.com.au "Four of the prawn farms on the Logan River are now also roaring back into full production after white spot disease decimated their operations three years ago. And other aquaculture farms up and down the coast, have also increased production."

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