PER CAPITA

U.S. CONSUMPTION

Annual per capita consumption of seafood products represents the pounds of edible meat consumed domestically-caught and consumed from domestically-caught and imported fish and shellfish adjusted for beginning and ending inventories, and exports, divided by the civilian population of the United States as of July 1 of each year.

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Year	Civilian resident	Per capita consumption			
	population	Fresh and	Canned	Cured	Total
	July 1 (1)	frozen (2)	(3)	(4)	Total
	<u>Million</u>				
	<u>persons</u>	Pounds, edible meat			
1910	92.2	4.5	2.8	3.9	11.2
1920	106.5	6.3	3.2	2.3	11.8
1930	122.9	5.8	3.4	1.0	10.2
1940	132.1	5.7	4.6	0.7	11.0
1950	150.8	6.3	4.9	0.6	11.8
1960	178.1	5.7	4.0	0.6	10.3
1970	201.9	6.9	4.5	0.4	11.8
1980	225.6	7.9	4.3	0.3	12.5
1981	227.8	7.8	4.6	0.3	12.7
1982	230.0	7.9	4.3	0.3	12.5
1983	232.1	8.4	4.7	0.3	13.4
1984	234.1	9.0	4.9	0.3	14.2
1985	236.2	9.8	5.0	0.3	15.1
1986	238.4	9.8	5.4	0.3	15.5
1987	240.6	10.7	5.2	0.3	16.2
1988	242.8	10.0	4.9	0.3	15.2
1989	245.1	10.2	5.1	0.3	15.6
1990	247.8	9.6	5.1	0.3	15.0
1991	250.5	9.7	4.9	0.3	14.9
1992	253.5	9.9	4.6	0.3	14.8
1993	256.4	10.2	4.5	0.3	15.0
1994	259.2	10.4	4.5	0.3	15.2
1995	261.4	10.0	4.7	0.3	15.0
1996	264.0	10.0	4.5	0.3	14.8
1997	266.4	9.9	4.4	0.3	14.6
1998	269.1	10.2	4.4	0.3	14.9

⁽¹⁾ Resident population for 1910 and 1920 and civilian resident population for 1930 to date.

⁽²⁾ Fresh and frozen fish consumption for 1910 and 1920 is estimated. Beginning in 1973, data include consumption of artificially cultivated catfish.

⁽³⁾ Canned fish consumption for 1920 is estimated. Beginning in 1921, it is based on production reports, packer stocks, and foreign trade statistics for individual years.

⁽⁴⁾ Cured fish consumption for 1910 and 1920 is estimated.

^{*}Record years: Fresh and Frozen--10.7 lb, 1987; Canned--5.8, 1936; Cured--4.0, 1909; and Total--16.2 lb, 1987.