

FOREIGN TRADE

IMPORTS

FISHERY PRODUCTS IMPORTS, BY PRINCIPAL ITEMS, 1997 AND 1998

Item	1997			1998		
	<u>Thousand pounds</u>	<u>Metric tons</u>	<u>Thousand dollars</u>	<u>Thousand pounds</u>	<u>Metric tons</u>	<u>Thousand dollars</u>
Edible fishery products:						
Fresh and frozen:						
Whole or eviscerated:						
Freshwater	76,224	34,575	72,031	84,161	38,175	73,450
Flatfish	36,993	16,780	70,861	38,364	17,402	70,119
Groundfish	63,700	28,894	52,363	58,922	26,727	53,054
Salmon	162,803	73,847	344,427	152,170	69,024	319,275
Tuna (1)	438,493	198,899	494,181	571,000	259,004	555,766
Other	253,280	114,887	330,870	260,478	118,152	320,773
Filletts and steaks:						
Freshwater	30,719	13,934	83,563	37,037	16,800	96,640
Flatfish	42,679	19,359	92,067	49,506	22,456	103,614
Groundfish	176,125	79,890	334,206	186,937	84,794	356,070
Other	265,282	120,331	551,753	305,081	138,384	636,439
Blocks and slabs	233,972	106,129	231,008	232,843	105,617	270,686
Surimi	22,553	10,230	10,879	7,749	3,515	5,330
Shrimp	644,702	292,435	2,942,635	692,017	313,897	3,101,790
Crabmeat	14,462	6,560	66,918	16,684	7,568	67,262
Lobster:						
American	40,798	18,506	238,881	42,542	19,297	245,578
Spiny	24,674	11,192	242,181	21,248	9,638	230,133
Scallops (meats)	60,146	27,282	237,078	52,445	23,789	218,250
Other fish and shellfish	273,933	124,255	626,023	310,004	140,617	631,687
Total, fresh and frozen	2,861,538	1,297,985	7,021,925	3,119,192	1,414,856	7,355,916
Canned:						
Anchovy	6,942	3,149	22,247	6,989	3,170	21,522
Herring	1,488	675	2,078	4,325	1,962	4,846
Mackerel	28,779	13,054	15,912	24,572	11,146	11,895
Salmon	1,228	557	4,793	1,323	600	4,990
Sardines	42,771	19,401	49,302	44,328	20,107	53,740
Tuna	212,171	96,240	249,963	240,409	109,049	288,970
Clams	9,855	4,470	10,807	11,186	5,074	10,559
Crabmeat	15,871	7,199	66,521	22,020	9,988	95,958
Lobsters	176	80	1,595	121	55	1,402
Oysters	9,934	4,506	24,795	13,600	6,169	25,629
Shrimp	3,620	1,642	10,954	3,406	1,545	10,622
Balls, cakes, and puddings	8,523	3,866	14,512	9,489	4,304	14,302
Other fish and shellfish	45,732	20,744	51,832	46,409	21,051	43,124
Total, canned	387,090	175,583	525,311	428,177	194,220	587,559
Cured:						
Dried	21,914	9,940	58,030	19,687	8,930	55,281
Pickled or salted	36,887	16,732	46,698	41,693	18,912	56,899
Smoked or kippered	10,234	4,642	26,875	10,836	4,915	28,381
Total, cured	69,035	31,314	131,603	72,216	32,757	140,561
Caviar and roe	4,286	1,944	31,169	4,358	1,977	33,215
Prepared meals	3,336	1,513	12,243	3,197	1,450	10,330
Other fish and shellfish	13,565	6,153	31,992	19,883	9,019	45,604
Total edible fishery products	3,338,849	1,514,492	7,754,243	3,647,023	1,654,279	8,173,185
Nonedible fishery products:						
Meal and scrap	142,049	64,433	36,484	125,404	56,883	33,574
Fish oils	25,622	11,622	23,388	24,213	10,983	19,604
Other	-	-	6,714,211	-	-	7,406,309
Total nonedible fishery products	-	-	6,774,083	-	-	7,459,487
Grand total	-	-	14,528,326	-	-	15,632,672

(1) Includes loins and discs.

Note:--Data include imports into the United States and Puerto Rico and landings of tuna by foreign vessels at American Samoa. Statistics on imports are the weight of individual products as exported, i.e., fillets, steaks, headed, etc.

Imports and Exports of Fishery Products, Annual Summary, 1998, Current Fishery Statistics No. 9802 provides additional information.

Source:--U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.