

## REVIEW

### FOREIGN TRADE IN FISHERY PRODUCTS

**EXPORTS.** U.S. exports of edible fishery products were 2.0 billion pounds valued at \$2.7 billion, a decrease of 93.2 million pounds, and \$319.2 million when compared with 1996. Fresh and frozen items were 1.8 billion pounds valued at \$2.1 billion, a decrease of 29.6 million pounds, and \$189.8 million compared with 1996. In terms of individual species, fresh and frozen exports consisted principally of 189.9 million pounds of salmon valued at \$307.5 million, 310.2 million pounds of surimi valued at \$331.0 million and 47.2 million pounds of lobsters valued at \$208.6 million.

Canned items were 129.5 million pounds valued at \$202.7 million. Salmon was the major canned item exported, with 81.6 million pounds valued at \$135.4 million. Cured items were 10.6 million pounds valued at \$20.9 million. Caviar and roe exports were 90.0 million pounds valued at \$369.1 million.

Exports of nonedible products were valued at \$6.6 billion compared with \$5.6 billion in 1996. Exports of fish meal amounted to 216.3 million pounds valued at \$57.2 million. The total value of edible and nonedible exports was \$9.4 billion--an increase of \$700.2 million compared with 1996.

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