

BACKGROUND ...

CURRENT SITUATION ...

Demand for Dairy Products

The major items under this category which account for 88% of total imports are :

DAIRY PRODUCTS	% Total Imports	% Growth (1985-1988)	Major Country Supplier
Milk and milk cream powder or granules more than 1.5% fat	29	25	Australia - 40%
Milk skimmed powder or granules not more than 1.5% fat	25	72	Germany - 28%
Hen eggs not for hatching	10	36	Malaysia - 98%
Other milk and cream	7	12	Malaysia - 33%
Anhydrous butterfat	5	9	New Zealand - 51%
Milk excluding skimmed more than 1.5% fat	4	6	Irish Republic - 61%
Cheese and curd excluding lemon	4	17	Australia - 38%
Butter	4	12	New Zealand - 47%

Skimmed milk powder showed a high growth of 72%. Imports of whey increased by 37% for the same period. Other items which grew by more than 20% were hen eggs and milk powder with more than 1.5% fat.

Demand for Marine Products

Of the more than 50 types of marine products imported into Singapore, 7 items account for 53% of total imports.

MARINE PRODUCTS	% Total Imports	% Growth (1985-1988)	Major Country Supplier
Prawn and shrimp fresh, chilled or frozen	22	22	Burma - 31%
Tuna frozen	19	18	Taiwan - 76%
Other marine fish frozen	11	35	Japan - 39%
Marine fish fresh or chilled	7	9	Malaysia - 56%
Abalone canned	6	23	Australia - 52%
Sharksfin salted or dried	6	19	India - 18%
Cuttlefish and squid salted	4	16	OC SEA* - 56%

Aside from the items enumerated above, other marine products which experienced high growth were cod, excluding fillet dried (80%), fish fillet fresh, chilled or frozen (40%), prawns and shrimp salted, dried or boiled (37%), cuttlefish & squid salted dried or boiled (30%) and tuna canned (25%).

The bulk (74%) of imported marine products are re-exported to the other regional markets.

* Other Countries Southeast Asia