

Imports

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
(A) Live					
Canada	374	575	494	647	826
USA	80	184	639	661	824
(B) Frozen					
Canada	106	339	1,448	673	1,122
USA	101	23	88	108	74
Total Atlantic	631	1,123	2,668	2,088	2,813
Fresh Lobster (MT) (See-Edi, fresh or frozen)					
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
Hong Kong	51	2	12	1	0
Indonesia	22	28	401	928	187
India	1,122	1,289	1,144	1,314	1,387
Sri Lanka	247	286	118	139	184
Cuba	2,430	1,701	2,022	2,816	2,339
Haiti	1,177	2,289	1,216	983	535
S. Africa	616	1,149	1,189	1,258	1,410
Australia	1,481	2,009	1,607	2,291	2,373
New Zealand	619	320	1,129	217	188
Other	242	88	1,701	1,889	2,441
Total	9,041	10,973	12,892	19,227	19,009

Market Situation and Outlook

- The import of live lobster from Canada has been increasing rapidly and imports in 1990 increased by 28% from the year before.
- The import of frozen lobster from Canada in 1990 increased by 62% from the year before.
- While imports of live lobster from Canada increased in 1988 were achieved as a result of completed imports of snow crab and frozen lobster. Recent trends indicate that the frozen lobster has been developing its own position in the Japanese market for eating, frozen, and spiny lobster.