## **NIGERIA**

Nigeria's demand for fish is approximately 1.2 million tons per current domestic production. Both industrial and artisanal have yields of between 300-350,000 tons. Over the course of three years, imports of frozen and canned fish have declined 50 percent from 1,000,000 tons to 400-500,000 tons. This drop was not a result of declining demand, but was a result of the shortage of foreign exchange to pay for the high priced imports. Nevertheless a strong market continues to exist for countries interested in exporting to Nigeria. Some of the products currently being imported by Nigeria are mackerel scumbie & herring (highest demand), horse mackerel, sole and hake.

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