TURKEY

Turkey's population is growing at an annual rate of 2.2 percent per year. Increasing population can create problems with respect to obtaining enough animal protein to ensure a well balanced diet. By developing the country's fisheries, part of the problem can be alleviated. Turkey is surrounded by sea on three sides and has a large network of inland waters. The fishery sector in Turkey still operates on a non-industrial basis due to the shortage of capital and technical expertise. Total fisheries production in Turkey in 1988 is estimated at 676,000 tons by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). In recent years, the government of Turkey has taken action in an attempt to liberalize the Turkish fishery sector. According to the OECD, the fishery sector recorded an annual growth rate of only 3.53 percent over the period 1984-1987, compared with a forecast rate of 7.7 percent in the 5th Five-Year Development Plan (1984-1989).

Anchovy accounts for approximately 50 percent of the domestic Turkish fisheries production. In the domestic market, 90 percent of the catch is consumed either fresh or chilled. The most likely species for increasing Canadian exports to Turkey are crustaceans, namely lobster. Turkish importers of seafood usually pay with a letter of credit.

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