Canned salmon consumption and consequently imports rose to a total of 965 t in 1990, up from 612 t in 1989. Canada remains the major supplier (488 t in 1990), followed by France, W. Germany and the USA.

VAT rates are as follows: 2% for fresh/frozen and smoked salmon; 9% for canned salmon.

ITALIAN SALMON IMPORTS (METRIC TONNES)

	1988	1989	1990	1990 AVE CIF PRICE Lire/kg \$/kg	
SALMON, FRESH (03.02.12.000) (2% tariff)	3628	3527	<u>5538</u>		
SALMON, FROZEN					
PACIFIC (0303.10.000) Canada (2% tariff)	1695 1004	<u>1266</u> 836	1460 972	7204	6.97
ATLANTIC (0303.22.000) Canada (2% tariff)	778 94	649 151	1048 17	7471	7.23
SALMON, SMOKED (0305.41.000) Canada (13% tariff)	<u>2368</u> 57	2640 27	<u>3066</u> 36	22,861	22.11
SALMON, PREP. WHOL (16.04.11.000) Canada (5.5% tariff)	E/PIECES 646 396	489 271	80 <u>1</u> 488	7008	6.78
SALMON, PREP., OTH (16.04.20.100) Canada (5.5% tariff)	ER 153 15	223 85	<u>164</u>		

Source: ISTAT. The Canadian dollar average exchange rate in 1988 was Lire 1046, in 1989 Lire 1130, and in 1990 Lire 1034.