

growth with some 4,000 tonnes purchased in 1987 compared with only 1,000 tonnes in 1982. Utilizing first quality raw materials as well as the latest developments in food preparation and state of the art packaging has made France a leader in food processing.

STATISTICS	1985	1986
total landings (tonnes)	717,750	682,000
total imports (tonnes)	485,307	529,783
total exports (tonnes)	181,480	203,551
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	1,021,577	1,008,232
Domestic consumption per capita	11 kg	11 kg

COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS ON MARKET

GENERAL: France is a mature market with stable demand for high quality products. France has one of the highest per capita consumptions of fish products in Europe and has become increasingly dependent upon imports to meet demand.

MARKET SIZE (Post's estimate) CDN SHARE (Post's estimate)

1987: \$1613 million	\$74 million	(4.6%)
1988: \$1800	\$61	(3.4%)
1989: \$2000	\$70	(3.5%)