

11. CRAB SECTIONS

<u>Japanese catch (MT)</u>					
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
King	137	351	123	207	0
Snow	6,900	10,322	13,586	9,357	8,000
Blue	4,638	5,227	5,327	3,990	4,000
Other	87,467	84,080	74,715	63,081	57,000
Total	99,142	99,980	93,751	76,635	69,000
<u>Imports (MT)</u>					
	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
Canada	8,789	7,680	5,839	7,455	5,178
USA	11,333	14,398	22,612	28,658	29,465
S/Korea	2,739	4,444	7,180	797	380
N/Korea	228	2,041	8,814	132	-
China	7,376	11,009	8,210	7,724	9,736
USSR	1,333	3,155	3,748	5,193	5,498
Total	33,887	44,418	60,024	53,786	54,691
<u>Prices - Tokyo wholesale (yen/kg)</u>					
	<u>Year ago</u>	<u>6 mo. ago</u>	<u>Last mo.</u>	<u>Mar 90</u>	
Canadian size 2L (5kg pack)	1700-1800	1800-1900	1900-2000	1900-2000	
Canadian size L	1300-1350	1400-1450	1400-1500	1400-1500	
Alaska Size 2L	1450-1500	1450-1500	1450-1500	1450-1500	

Market Situation and Outlook

- Wholesale prices have increased significantly for Canadian crab from year ago levels.
- Volume imported in 1990 is entirely dependent on the resource availability.