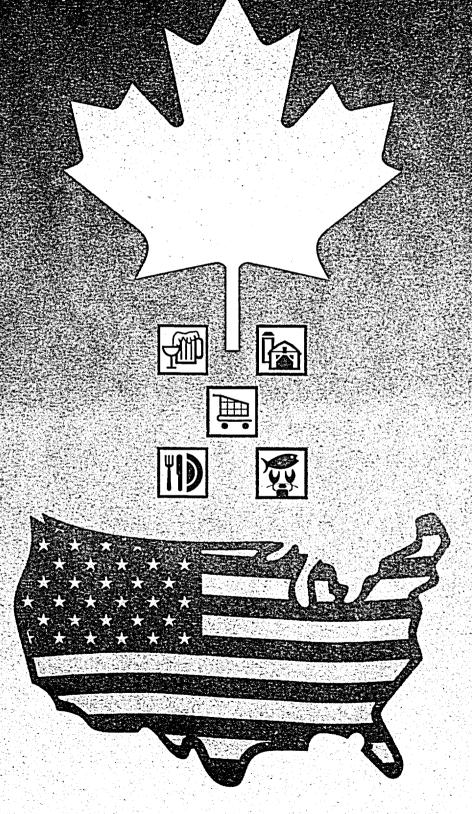
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FOREWORD

In today's increasingly competitive and demanding world market, business is recognizing it needs to find niche markets, increase product quality and provide value-added products which meet those market demands.

Canada's growing economy and future prosperity depends on trade, and the ability of Canadian businesses to compete against the best and win.

Canadian agri-food and fish exporters have become increasingly aware of the opportunities -- and challenges -- provided by the Canada-United States Free Trade Agreement (FTA) in selling to the world's largest market.

The United States is, and will remain, the most important export market for the entire range of Canadian food, beverage and seafood products. It represents immense potential for job creation for thousands of Canadians, an unparalleled testing ground for new marketing ideas and product innovations. It is the best market opportunity for aggressive, well-prepared new exporters who are willing and able to take up the challenge. Whatever opportunity a business chooses to explore, homework must be done.

This volume, "A Guide to Food Trade Shows in the United States, 1992-93," is part of a three-volume series on Exporting Canadian Agri-Food and Fish Products to the United States, and it lists national and regional trade exhibitions which Canadian agri-food and fish exporters may wish to attend in order to introduce their products to U.S. food and seafood buyers. External Affairs and International Trade Canada (EAITC) is directly involved in many of these promotional events, and works closely with Canadian companies in their marketing efforts.

A companion guide, "Canadian Exporters' Handbook on Doing Business in the U.S. Food and Seafood Market," is designed to assist Canadian agri-food and fish processors in their quest to open up new and exciting sales opportunites south of the border. The guide contains helpful hints on the basics of food marketing in the United States, an outline of the various distribution and regulatory procedures facing novice exporters, and regional market overviews prepared by our trade offices in the United States.

The third publication in this series, "How to Identify and Work with U.S. Food Brokers and Distributors: Proceedings of a Cross-Canada Seminar Series, September 22nd to October 2nd, 1992," summarizes the salient points raised in an EAITC-sponsored programme which featured presentations by representatives of the National Food Brokers Association in Washington, the National Food Distributors Association in Chicago, the agri-food and seafood marketing officers from eight of our Canadian Consulates General, as well as Ontario and Quebec provincial government trade officers in the United States.

Prepared by EAITC's USA Trade, Tourism and Investment Development Bureau these informative publications will provide Canadian agri-food and fish exporters with timely, relevant and easily accessible information on U.S. market trends and opportunities. I hope these publications will assist you to develop your marketing strategy in the United States and successfully compete in the lucrative U.S. market.

The Honourable Michael H. Wilson

Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and

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Minister for International Trade

This guide is divided into two sections. The first is a guide to determining if your firm is "export-ready" as well as advice on preparing for export. The second is a listing of the food shows in the United States for 1992-1993.

Each show is identified as being either a national or regional trade show. A regional show attracts primarily a regional audience (from a metropolitan area, a state or surrounding states), while a national show appeals to an audience from all parts of the United States.

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and is intended solely for Canadian food producers wishing to do business in the United States. Additional copies are free on written request from the above address.

For more information about food trade promotional activities organized by UTD, External Affairs and International Trade Canada, please contact (613) 991-9483.

For any information about marketing your products in the United States, please contact an International Trade Centre whose addresses can be found at the end of this publication.

If you are interested in trade shows in other parts of the world, please contact the following:

Info Export
External Affairs and International
Trade Canada
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A OG2
Tel (800) 267-8376

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Section I

Are You Ready to Export to the United States?

The food products market in the United States is immense and very competitive. Here you must compete against successful domestic manufacturers and in specific product lines against the many off-shore producers for whom the United States represents the wealthiest, most desirable market.

The U.S. food products market offers many excellent opportunities for Canadian manufacturers who benefit from their familiarity with the American lifestyle and environment.

To be export-ready, your company should:

- have been established and operating in Canada for at least two years;
- have sales performance data for those two years or have annual sales in excess of \$100,000;
- have satisfactory marketing and managerial capabilities:
- be financially able to expand production, if necessary, to meet export demand;
- register with the World Information Network (WIN Exports) at External Affairs and International Trade
 Canada.

How successful your company is in penetrating the U.S. food products market will depend on:

- your product is it competitive in terms of quality, design and price and does it fill a gap in the marketplace?
- your commitment export sales rarely become significant until you have established a presence in the market for at least two full years; are you prepared to make the commitment to export on a continuing basis?
- your production capacity you must have the production capacity or the resources to expand facilities to meet U.S. sales demand;
- your ability to deliver orders on schedule nothing erases a manufacturer's name from the list of suppliers faster than missed delivery dates; and
- your preparation the more effort you put into planning your company's entry into the U.S. market the greater the chances of success.

The Preparation

To prepare your company for the U.S. food products market, you should:

- study the quality, design and price of competitive products available in your target market;
- examine any successful market strategies used by competitors, including their distribution systems, and determine customer overall satisfaction;

- compare your product with what is already available take note of positive points and determine how you can change, adapt and improve any negative aspects of your product;
- attend, as a visitor, a trade show for your line of merchandise in the geographic area that is both
 most convenient for you and most suitable for your product in order to see what sales approach
 and promotional materials are the most effective and to find out who the best agents and the most
 important buyers are;
- draw up a U.S. marketing plan;
- resolve all questions concerning market access (customs duty, brokerage, transportation costs, etc.);
- set U.S. dollar prices for your product line and establish an invoicing procedure that takes into
 account customs duty and any other tariffs or border crossing charges in order to free the customer
 of any problems in receiving of the merchandise;
- work out all financial factors, the sales terms, pro forma income statements and capital requirements;
- establish a credit rating in the United States;
- discuss your marketing plan with the Canadian Trade Commissioner serving your chosen market area to seek guidance and recommendations about distributors, dealers, potential clients and advertising strategy; and
- establish a presence in the United States through an 800 telephone number, a distributor, or a sales office.

The Marketing Strategy

A carefully prepared marketing plan is the map that leads to increased sales, higher profits and more effective use of available personnel and resources. The U.S. food products market is tough to crack and demands competitive staying power. The better prepared you are, the more likely you are to gain a foothold in that market.

Information gathering is the first step in developing a market strategy:

- List your expectations of the U.S. market in terms of customers, suppliers, employees, creditors and other relevant factors;
- Analyse your company's performance, the present economic situation, general business and food market forecasts;
- Evaluate your company's capabilities and weaknesses. Be realistic in your assessment of management skills, marketing methods, quality of product, access to supplies, and competitiveness;
- Assess the data gathered during your visit to the selected market area (see The Preparation). Know what the market will buy;
- Set your sales goals, the U.S. prices (to include profit plus all costs to the point of delivery) for your merchandise, and target the type of distributor and dealer appropriate for your product;

- Determine the investment requirements for capital expenditures, sales office, distributors, promotional activities, trade shows, and personnel;
- Plan how you can best provide customer support and services; and
- Specify a minimum and maximum time period for goal-post achievements and determine how you will monitor and evaluate your marketing efforts.

The Marketing Plan

Working with a small group representing the key functions of the company, establish your U.S. marketing plan based upon your assessment:

- Define the target market, the line of products, price ranges, distribution channels and promotional involvement;
- Determine the capacity and costs of production for that market;
- Draw up a realistic budget for packaging, distribution, promotion, customer service and sales support; and
- Identify a management team for the U.S. market.

This type of marketing plan will increase your chances of success in selling your merchandise in the United States.

The Trade Show: An Excellent Route for Market Penetration

Why You Should Be in the Show

For established companies, the trade show offers an excellent opportunity to increase sales. The trade show is indispensable for the newcomer to the U.S. market to:

- develop a "street sense" of the food industry;
- select agents; and
- establish a presence in the marketplace.

A well-organized and promoted trade show is the most cost effective advertising and sales medium because it brings together in the same place sellers and thousands of buyers interested in their specific products.

Much like the traditional market or bazaar, the trade show provides a hands-on environment. It lets the prospective buyer see the products, touch them, and compare competing brands and supporting services quickly and effectively.

All trade shows attract primarily a regional audience even though they may include international exhibitors. Attendance at trade shows ranges from 1,000 to 100,000 people or more.

The Cost

The trade show maximizes the effectiveness of your sales efforts. The sales person in your exhibition booth can make four to six individualized presentations an hour--not to busy people distracted by telephones or impending meetings, but to attentive buyers who have confirmed their interest in your product by paying the show admission charge. There is no other sales opportunity like it.

The estimated cost of attending a three-day trade show in New York with two-day follow-up is a minimum of US \$6 000. Although at first glance this may seem high, business surveys show that four sales initiated at a trade show can be concluded for the cost of a single sale created by phone calls and visits to a potential customer.

How to Succeed at a Trade Show

Preparation

- Submit your application for booth space early to improve your chance of obtaining a prime location.
 Given the choice, select space along the main traffic flow--near hall entrances, exits, snack bars, rest areas or near major exhibitions.
- Establish a realistic budget for the show that includes space rental, booth design (if applicable), furnishings, services, staff travel and expenses, shipping and promotion (give-aways, literature, advertising).
- Plan your exhibit program with identified goals and promotions.
- If you are providing your own exhibit, use experienced professional designers who know how to create that very important first impression to attract a visitor.
- Train your support booth personnel for show duty. Brief them on the purpose of the show, the composition of the audience, the products to be shown and other essential information.
- Contact the official exhibitors' services centre for any anticipated contract labour you may need at the site because of the size of your equipment or other special requirements.
- Obtain short-term insurance coverage to meet your specific show needs.

The Exhibit

Your show is your product. That is what the buyer comes to see. Anything else detracts from your purpose to sell--and the buyer's interest in making a deal.

- Show as many variations of your product as possible.
- Build your display around your product. Let visitors experience it to the best advantage and see for themselves why it is a great buy.
- Be creative in your presentation of the product.
- Hand out samples or give-aways that are relevant to the product.
- Ask all visitors to sign a guest book.
- Keep your exhibit area neat, clean and well-lit.

Booth Attendants

Select only your very best salespeople to represent you at the show. They must be able to assess a prospect's needs quickly and efficiently and tailor their presentation accordingly.

- Practise role-playing with all salespeople doing booth duty. Selling at a trade show is a knowledgeable sell, not a hard sell.
- Ensure that your personnel wear appropriate dress, such as uniform jackets, for example, to distinguish them from visitors.
- Schedule your booth attendants so as to allow frequent time off for rest, meals, or other purposes, to keep them alert and welcoming to visitors.
- Make sure that attendants fill out a form for each lead. It should include such information as name, title, address, telephone number, product of most interest, quantity, degree of urgency (next week, six months from now, etc.).
- Protect your lead sheets; move them off the show floor every hour or so and take them away with you at night.

The Follow-up

A lead is not a sale. It is important to:

- Follow up with samples, literature or any other requested information--fast;
- Call up the "hottest" prospects for appointments;
- Send an acknowledgment to all those who visited your booth long enough to sign your guest book. Remind them of your products and services. Put them on your mailing list--again, act quickly; and
- Evaluate your total show performance--what was good, what could be improved and how to make it better next year.

Section II

Food Trade Shows in the United States

Aquaculture 92 Conference and Exposition

Category Regional

Exhibits Equipment and products for aquaculture industry

Exhibitors 2000

Visitors Aquaculturists from around world

Contact: The Crest Organization

940 Emmett Avenue Suite 14

Belmont CA 94002

Telephone: 415 595-2704 **Facsimile**: 415 595-3379

Date 1992: May 22-24, Marriott Orlando World Center,

Orlando, FL

Date 1993: TBA

Baking Industry Expo

Category National

Exhibits (Held every four years) Baking ingredients (40

percent) equipment, supplies and services.

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Bakers, buyers from

baked goods producers, distributors, retail bakers, transportation industry

members

Contact: American Bakers Association

1111 14th Street NW Washington, DC 20005

Telephone: 202 296-5800 **Facsimile**: 202 289-4803

Date 1992:

not held

Date 1993:

Sept.30-Oct. 4

California Grocers Association Convention and Trade Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food industry supplies of all kinds, with food products representing 50 per cent of total exhibits

Exhibitors

900

Visitors

National and regional supermarket chains, convenience stores, supermarkets and neighbourhood grocers from throughout the West

Coast

Contact:

California Grocers Association

906 G Street Suite 700 Sacramento, CA 95814

Telephone: Facsimile:

916 448-3545 916 448-2793

Date 1992:

Oct. 3-5, San Diego Convention Center

Date 1993:

Oct. 2-4

Carolina Food Service Expo

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food products (60 per cent), services and

equipment

Exhibitors

600

Visitors

Key operators of restaurants, hotels and foodservice institutions

Contact:

North Carolina Restaurant Association

P.O. Box 6528 Raleigh, NC 27628 Telephone:

919 782-5022

Facsimile:

919 782-7251

Date 1992:

Mar. 17-19, Merchandise Mart Charlotte, North

Carolina

Date 1993:

Mar. 22-25

Certified Grocers of California Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Oriented towards supermarkets and wholesale

trade

Exhibitors

NA

Visitors

Buyers from

supermarkets and

wholesalers

Contact:

Responsible Post for details

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Jun. 24-25, Long Beach Convention Center, Long

Beach, CA

Date 1993:

TBA

Confection West (West of Mississippi)

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Candy, displays, ingredients, packaging, all items

related to manfacture, production and marketing

Exhibitors

150

Visitors

Buyers from department stores, retail outlets and

for giftbasket sales

Contact:

Cahners

P.O.Box 3006 Radner, PA

19087

Telephone:

215 687 3426

Facsimile:

215 687 3426

Date 1992:

April, Disneyland Hotel Anaheim, CA

Date 1993:

August

Confectionery Expo

Category

National

Exhibits

Exhibitors

14

Visitors

Contact:

Responsible post for details.

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Jun. 14-16, Hyatt Regency Chicago, II

Date 1993:

TBA

Coppertunities-Montana Food **Distributors Association**

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Equipment emphasized, with a service sector

Exhibitors

50

Visitors

Regional suppliers and

retailers

Contact:

Montana Food Distributers Association

P.O.Box 5775 Helena, MT 59604

Telephone:

406 449-6394

Facsimile:

406 449-0647

Date 1992:

Jan. 10-12, Copperking Inn, Butte

Date 1993:

January

Crossroads of New England Foodservice Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food and beverage products (40 per cent),

equipment, furnishings, supplies and services for

food service

Exhibitors 350

Visitors Restaurant and hotel

chains, independents, institutional food service

Contact: Cahners Exposition Group

P.O.Box 35

Boston, MA 02117-0035

Telephone: 617 536-8152 **Facsimile**: 617 536-8719

Date 1992: Feb. 2-3, Eastern States Exposition Center,

W.Springfield,MA

Date 1993: TBA

Desert Food Service Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (65 per cent), equipment and services

related to restaurant/hotel industry

Exhibitors 200

Visitors Buyers from hotels,

restaurants, institutions and hospitality services

Contact: Gary Huffaker, California Restaurant Association

3435 Wiltshire Blvd. Suite 2606

Los Angeles, CA. 90019

Telephone: 213 384-1200 **Facsimile**: 213 384-1623

Date 1992: Dec. 5-6, Palm Springs Convention Center

East Tennessee Food Service Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (40 per cent), beverages,

equipment and services

Exhibitors 125

Visitors Restaurants, hotels,

institutional foodservice

Contact: Tennessee Restaurant Association

P.O. Box 1029

Franklin, TN, 37065-1029

Telephone: 615 790-2703 **Facsimile**: 615 790-2768

Date 1992: Apr. 13-14, Knoxville Convention Center

Date 1993: TBA

East-South Regional Restaurant Hospitality Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food and beverages (50 percent), equipment,

fumishings and services related to the hospitality

industry

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Restaurant owners, hotels

and institutional food

service

Contact: Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington

7926 Jones Branch Drive, Suite 530

McLean, VA 22102

Telephone: 70

703 356-1315

Facsimile: 703 893 4926

Date 1992: Mar. 1-2, Washington Convention Center

Date 1993: March

Eastern Dairy Deli Taste Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Dairy and deli products (75 percent), baking

products, foodservice, equipment and services

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Retailers, supermarket

chains, specialty stores, restaurants/hotels,

distributors

Contact: Eastern Dairy Deli Association

295 Northern Blvd. Suite 306

Great Neck NY 11021

Telephone: 516 487-4640

Facsimile: 516 487-4013

Date 1992: Oct. 21-22, Sheraton Hotel, Meadowlands,

Secaucus, N.J.

Date 1993: October

Eastern Frozen Foods Festival

Category Regional

Exhibits Frozen foods (90 per cent), refrigeration

equipment and services

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Retailers and brokers,

retail stores

Contact: Eastern Frosted Foods Association

20 West Park Ave. Suite 203

Long Beach, NY 11561

Telephone: 516 431-1772 **Facsimile:** 516 431-2248

Date 1992: March, Meadowlands, N.J.

Fine Foods Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Specialty foods and equipment

Exhibitors 200

Visitors Retailers, gourmet shops,

restaurants, foodservice

Contact: GPC Trade Shows

1099 Hingham Street

Rockland, MA

Telephone: 617 871-2700

Facsimile: 617 871-4721

Date 1992: Sept. 14-15, Royal Plaza Trade Center, Mariboro,

MA

Date 1993: TBA

Food and Fuel Convenience Store/Food Service Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food, equipment and services

Exhibitors 200

Visitors Convenience store

operators, service stations, supermarkets

Contact: Mid-Atlantic Food Dealers

14 Commerce Street Baltimore, MD 21222

Telephone: 301 285-6777

Facsimile: 301 285-6404

Date 1992: Mar. 17, Festival Hall, Baltimore, MA

Food Dealers Association of North Carolina

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (65 per cent), equipment and

services

Exhibitors 315

Visitors Buyers from retail

grocers, supermarkets and convenience stores

Contact: Food Dealers Association of North Carolina

P.O.Box 6066

Charlotte, NC 28207

Telephone: 7
Facsimile: 7

704 334-3935 704 334-9126

701

Date 1992: Aug. 9-11, Charlotte Convention Center, Charlotte,

NC

Date 1993: TBA

Food Dealers Association of Virginia

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (65 per cent), equipment and

services

Exhibitors 175

Visitors Buyers from retail

grocers, chains and

convenience stores

Contact: Virginia Food Dealers Association

517 West Grace Street Richmond, VA 23220

Telephone: 804 644-0731

Facsimile: 804 644-1423

Date 1992: Oct. 24-25, Scope Building Norfolk, Virginia

Food Marketing Institute/Supermarket Industry Convention and Educational Exposition

Category National

Exhibits Food products (70 per cent), pharmaceuticals

equipment and services related to supermarkets

Exhibitors 650

Visitors Buyers and management

from supermarket chains, large independents; international attendance

Contact: Food Marketing Institute

1750 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20006

Telephone: 202 452-8444 **Facsimile**: 202 429-4519

Date 1992: May 3-6, McCormick Place, Chicago

Date 1993: May 9-12

Food Merchants of Pennsylvania

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (80 per cent) equipment and

services

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Local grocery chains,

supermarkets,

convenience stores

Contact: Pennsylvania Food Merchants Assocation

P.O.Box 870

Camp Hill, PA 17011

Telephone: 717 731-0600 Facsimile: 717 731-0609

Date 1992: Sept. 20-22, Taj Mahal, Atlantic City

Food Service Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Dairy and deli products and equipment used in

their production

Exhibitors 75

Visitors Retailers

Contact: Mid-Atlantic Food Dealers

14 Commerce Street Baltimore, MD 21222

Telephone:

410 285-6777

Facsimile:

410 285-6404

Date 1992:

Mar. 17, Festival Hall, Baltimore, MA

Date 1993: TBA

Fresh Adventures

Category National

Exhibits Produce (50 percent), equipment and packaging

Exhibitors 600

Visitors Retailers, wholesalers,

brokers, growers,

shippers and suppliers

Contact: United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association

727 N. Washington Alexandria, VA. 22314

Telephone: 703 836-3410

Facsimile: 703 836-7745

Date 1992: Feb. 16-18, Orange County Convention Center,

Orlando, Florida

Date 1993: Feb. 21-23

Garden State Restaurant Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (40 per cent), equipment and

services

Exhibitors 150

Visitors Buyers from restaurants,

hotels, and institutions

Contact: Garden State Restaurant Association

P.O. Box 1136 Teaneck, NJ 07666

Telephone: Facsimile:

201 837-8200

Date 1992: Apr. 6-7, Monmouth Park Race Track, Oceanpark,

N.J.

Date 1993: TBA

Georgia School Food Service Association Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (50 percent), equipment supplies furnishings

and services related to school college and

university food services

Exhibitors 175

Visitors School food service

management, board of education and government

representatives

Contact: Georgia School Food Service Association

2372 Main Street Tucker, GA 30084

Telephone: 404 934-8890

Facsimile: 404 934-8917

Date 1992: Apr. 2-5, Georgia International Trade & Convention

Center

Date 1993: Apr.1-4

Gourmet Show

Category National

Exhibits Specialty foods, beverages, upscale housewares

and confections

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Retailers, restaurants,

foodservice, wholesalers

Contact: Amy Kuklek, Tradexpo

P.O.Box 802079 Chicago, III. 60680

Telephone: 312 938-0127 Facsimile: 312 938-9167

Date 1992: Jun. 19-21, McCormick Place, Chicago

Date 1993: TBA

Harrisburg Restaurant Food & Equipment Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (40 per cent), equipment services,

building and decorating materials related to

restaurant industry

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Restaurant owners,

institutional food services

Contact: Connie Mallos

P.O. Box 2467

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Telephone: 717 697-4183

Facsimile: 717 790-9441

Date 1992: Apr. 7-8, Farmshow Complex Harrisburg

Holiday Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Liquor related, but also food, vending equipment,

insurance and real estate

Exhibitors 300

> Visitors Holders of retail liquor

> > licenses

Contact: John Berglund, Holiday Expo

800-42nd Avenue North Minneapolis, MN 55412

Telephone: Facsimile:

(612) 522-9614

Date 1992: Oct. 25-26

Date 1993: Oct. 24-25

Host Midwest - Wisconsin Hospitality Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (45 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors 500

> Visitors Restaurants, hotels,

> > cafeterias, institutions,

delis and bakeries

Contact: Wisconsin Restaurant Association

125 West Doty Street- Suite 200

Madison, WI 53703

Telephone:

608 251-3663 Facsimile: 608 251-3666

Date 1992: Mar. 3-5, Mecca Milwaulkee, WI

Date 1993: Mar. 2-4

Hotel, Motel and Restaurant Supply Show of the South-East

Category Regional

Exhibits Foods and beverages (45 per cent), equipment,

furnishings, supplies and services

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Owners and managers of

hotels, motels, restaurants and foodservice from South Carolina and

surrounding states

Contact: Leisure Time Unlimited Inc.

P.O. Box 332

Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

Telephone: 803 448-9483 **Facsimile**: 803 626-1513

Date 1992: Jan. 28-30, Myrtle Beach Convention Center

Date 1993: Jan. 26-28

IEFP Food Expo

Category National

Exhibits Packaging, equipment and services for food

processing industry

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Management, technical

sales staff from major

food processors.

Contact: International Exposition of Food Processors (IEFP)

200 Dangerfield Road Alexandria, VA 22314

Telephone: 703 684-1080 **Facsimile**: 703 548-6563

Date 1992: not held

Date 1993:

Feb. 21-23

IFDA International Dairy Show

Category

National

Exhibits

NA

Exhibitors

NA

Visitors

NA

Contact:

Responsible Post for details.

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Sept. 30 - October 10, New Orleans, LA

Date 1993:

TBA

International Boston Seafood Show

Category

National

Exhibits

Seafoods of all types, seafood processing equipment, as well as equipment from supporting industries. Largest Seafood show in the world.

Exhibitors

1000

Visitors

Over 18,000 retail, wholesale and foodservice buyers, processors and brokers from the United States and international markets.

Contact:

International Boston Seafood Show,

P.O.Box 7437,

Portland, ME 04112-7437

Telephone:

207 772-3005

Facsimile:

207 772-5059

Date 1992:

Mar. 17-19, Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA

Date 1993:

Mar. 16-18

International Dairy-Deli-Bake Association Show

Category National

Exhibits Dairy-deli and bakery food and equipment

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Buyers, merchandisers

and directors of retail, wholesale and convenience store chains.

Contact: International Dairy Deli Bakery Association

313 Price Place, Suite 202 Madison, WI 53705-0528

Telephone: 608 238-7908 **Facsimile**: 608 238-6330

Date 1992: Jun. 7-9, New Orleans, LA

Date 1993: Jun. 6-8

International Fancy Food and Confection Show (Summer)

Category National

Exhibits Specialty foods, gourmet delicacies and

beverages, wholesalers, distributors,

importers/exporters

Exhibitors 900

Visitors Buyers from specialty

food stores, gourmet boutiques, wholesalers, d i s t r i b u t o r s , importers/exporters

Contact: Cahners Expositions Group

P.O.Box 3833

Stamford, CT 06905-0833

Telephone: 203 325-5099 **Facsimile**: 203 325-5000/1 Date 1992:

Jul. 26-29, Washington Convention Center

Date 1993:

TBA

International Fancy Food and Confection Show (Winter)

Category

National

Exhibits

Specialty foods gourmet delicacies and beverages,

confection products

Exhibitors

650

Visitors

Buyers from specialty

food stores, gourmet boutiques, wholesalers, d i s t r i b u t o r s , importers/exporters

Contact:

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Stamford, CT 06905-0833

Telephone: Facsimile:

203 964-0000 203 964-0179

Date 1992:

Mar. 1-3, Moscone Center, San Francisco

Date 1993:

TBA

International Hotel Motel and Restaurant Show

Category

National

Exhibits

Food and beverage (25 percent), equipment, fumiture, supplies, telecommunications products,

all restaurant-related services

Exhibitors

1500

Visitors

International attendance from major hotel and restaurant chains, independents and all types of food service including institutional Contact:

International Hotel Motel and Restaurant Show

2 Park Ave., Suite 1100 New York, N.Y. 10016

Telephone:

212 686-6070

Facsimile:

212 685-6598

Date 1992:

Nov. 7-10, Jacob Javits Center, New York

Date 1993:

Nov. 6-9

Iowa Restaurant and Beverage Association

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Equipment, food and beverages

Exhibitors

250

Visitors

Restauranteurs

Contact:

Iowa Restaurant and Beverage Association

606 Merle Hay Tower

Des Moines, IA 50310

Telephone:

(515) 276-1454

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Oct. 11-12

Date 1993:

TBA

Iowa Retail food Dealers Association

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food, services and equipment

Exhibitors

90

Visitors

Store managers,

warehouse buyers, convenience store

managers

Contact:

Iowa Retail Food Dealers Association

2894 - 106th Street, Suite 102

Des Moines, IA 50322

Telephone:

(515) 270-2628

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Oct. 16-18

Date 1993:

TBA

Kentucky Grocers Association Convention and Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food, beverage, equipment and services

Exhibitors

225

Visitors

Wholesalers, independent grocers, convenience

store chains, brokers and

agents

Contact:

Kentucky Grocers Association

1939 Goldsmith Lane #134 Louisville, Kentucky 40218

Telephone:

502 459-7111

Facsimile:

502 454-3210

Date 1992:

Apr. 21-23, Louisville, KY

Date 1993:

TBA

MAGA Annual Hispanic Sales, Marketing and Promotions Conference

Category

Regional

Exhibits

NA

Exhibitors

NA

Visitors

NA

Contact:

Responsible post for details.

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Date 1992: Feb. 26-29, Palm Springs Hilton, Palm Springs, CA

Date 1993: TBA

Maine Food Service and Lodging Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Hospitality and service equipment, food contracts,

room service supplies and furniture

Exhibitors 100

Visitors Restarant owners,

instutional foodservice,

hotel/motel trade

Contact: North East Trade Shows

P.O.Box 580

North Yarmouth, MA

Telephone: 207 775-1196 **Facsimile**: 207 865-3299

Date 1992: Mar. 24-25, Cumberland County Civic Center,

Portland, ME

Date 1993: TBA

Metro Food Service Show (Caterers World)

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (80 per cent) and services

Exhibitors 200

Visitors Buyers from tri-state area,

restaurants, hotels, foodservice, institutions and others in hospitality

industry

Contact: New York State Restaurant Association

505 Eighth Avenue New York, NY 10018

Telephone:

212 714-1330

Facsimile:

212 643-2692

Date 1992:

Apr. 14-15, SUNY Farmingdale, NY

Date 1993:

TBA

Mid-Atlantic Food Dealers Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food (70 per cent) equipment and services

Exhibitors

400

Visitors

Food retailers, independents, buyers from restaurants/hotels

Contact:

Mid-Atlantic Food Dealers

14 Commerce Street Baltimore, MD 21222

Telephone:

301 285-6777 Facsimile: 301 285 6404

Date 1992:

Sept. 20-22, Atlantic City

Date 1993:

October

Mid-Atlantic Food Service and Lodging Expo

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food (40 per cent), restaurant/hotel equipment furnishings and services

Exhibitors

550

Visitors

More than 80 percent are owners, managers, chefs or purchasing agents from restaurants from the five surrounding states.

Contact: Jody Pappas

7113 Ambassador Road Baltimore, MD 21207

Telephone: Facsimile:

301 298-0011 301 298-0299

Date 1992:

Dec. 1-2, Baltimore Convention Center

Date 1993:

TBA

Mid-Atlantic Soft-Serve/Pizza Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Soft-serve ice cream, yogurt, deli and pizza

products

Exhibitors 435

Visitors Foodservice buyers both

institutional and retail

Contact: Ohio Restaurant Association

490 Lily Park Avenue Suite 200

Columbus, Ohio

Telephone: Facsimile:

614 228-0522 614 228-5731

Date 1992:

Feb. 16-17, Veterans Coliseum, Columbus, Ohio

Date 1993:

Feb. 14-15

Mid-Western Deli-Bakery Merchants Association

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Retailers

Contact: Mid-Western Deli/Bakery Merchants Association

333 North Michigan Ave.

Chicago, Il 60601

Telephone:

312 332-1601

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Jun. 16, Drury Lane, Oak Brook

Date 1993:

TBA

Midwest Food Expo - Minnesota Grocers Association

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Grocery related items

Exhibitors

215

Visitors

Varies from small to

corporate grocers

Contact:

Minnesota Grocers

Association/Midwest Food Expo,

533 St. Clair Avenue St. Paul, MN 55102

Telephone:

(612) 228-0973

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Sept. 26-28

Date 1993:

Sept. 25-27

Midwest Regional Gift, Cheese and Specialty Food Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Specialty foods and beverages, gifts both retail

and wholesale

Exhibitors

150

Visitors

Specialty store owners,

large buyers, chain stores

Contact:

Wisconsin Cheese/Specialty Food Merchants

Association,

302 E. Washington Ave. Suite 200

Madison, WI 53703

Telephone:

608 255-0373

Facsimile:

608 255-6600

Date 1992:

Feb. 25 Mecca, Milwaukee, WI

Date 1993:

TBA

Midwestern Food Service & Equipment Expo

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food (40 per cent) equipment and services related

to the hospitality industry (Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Arkansas)

Exhibitors

475

Visitors

NA

Contact:

Missouri Restaurant Association

P.O. Box 10277

Kansas City, MO 64111

Telephone:

816 753-5222

Facsimile:

816 753-6993

Date 1992:

Oct. 4-5, Cervantes Convention Center, St. Louis

Date 1993:

Oct. 31- Nov.2

Midwestern Frozen Food Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food (95 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors

100

Visitors

Food service

operators/institutes

Contact:

Mid-Western Frozen Food Association

333 North Michigan Avenue

Chicago, Il 60601

Telephone:

312 332-1601

Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Mar. 10, Drury Lane, Terrance

Date 1993:

Minnesota Bakers Association

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Bakery supplies

Exhibitors

100

TBA

Visitors

Retail bakers

Contact:

Minnesota Bakers Association 240 Minnetonka Avenue South

14/2-2-4- MM 55004

Wayzata, MN 55391

Telephone:

(612) 475-0711

Facsimile:

Date 1992: Feb. 21-23

Date 1993:

TBA

Mid-Winter Tabletop Show /NFDA Annual Convention

Category

National

Exhibits

Low volume specialty foods and beverages

Exhibitors

250

Visitors

Distributors, wholesalers

Contact:

National Food Distributors Assocation

401 North Michigan Ave.

Chicago, II, 60611

Telephone:

312 644-0610

Facsimile:

312 245-1084

Date 1992:

Jan. 31 - Feb.2, Phoenix Civic Plaza Convention

Center

Date 1993:

Jan.

Mississippi Restaurant Hospitality & **Equipment Expo**

Category Regional

Food (40 per cent), equipment furnishings and **Exhibits**

services

Exhibitors 175

> **Visitors** NA

Contact: Mississippi Restaurant Association

> P.O. Box 16395 Jackson, MS 39236

Telephone: Facsimile:

601 982-4281 601 982-0062

Date 1992:

Apr. 5-6, Trade Mart Building Jackson, Mississippi

Date 1993: TBA

> **National American Wholesale Grocers Annual Convention**

Category National

Exhibits Foods (80 percent), consulting and other services

Exhibitors NA

> **Visitors** Management and buyers

> > from food wholesalers. trade relations reps. from

food manufacturers

Contact: 201 Park Washington Court

Falls Church, VA 22046

Telephone: 703 532-9400 Facsimile: 703 538-4673

Date 1992: Mar. 1-4, Fontainebleu Hilton, Miami Beach

Date 1993: Mar. 7-10

National Association of College and University Food Services

Category National

Exhibits Food products (55 per cent), distribution services

and equipment.

Exhibitors 170

Visitors Participation limited to

170 exhibitors with members given first option. Food service directors and support staff from educational

institutions

Contact: National Association of College and University

Food Services NACUFS.

1405 South Harrison Road, Suite 303

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, 48824

Telephone:

517 332-2494

Facsimile:

517 332-8144

Date 1992:

Jul. 6-10, Cincinatti Convention Center

Date 1993:

Jul. 5-10

National Association of Convenience Stores Show

Category National

Exhibits Food and beverage products (45 per cent), health

and beauty aids, novelty items, equipment and

store fixtures

Exhibitors 900

Visitors Owners and operators of

convenience stores

Contact: National Association of Convenience Stores

1605 King Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Telephone:

703 684-3600

Facsimile:

703-836-4564

Date 1992:

Oct. 18-20, Georgia World Congress Center

Date 1993:

Sept. 19-22

National Candy Wholesalers Association Show

Category

National

Exhibits

Candies, chewing gum (75 per cent), health aids,

tobacco and snack food

Exhibitors

400

Visitors

Wholesalers, food

brokers, drugstores, supermarkets and other

retailers

Contact:

National Candy Wholesalers Association

1120 Vermont Avenue NW Suite 1120

Washington, DC 20005

Telephone:

202 463-2124

Facsimile:

202 467-0559

Date 1992:

Feb. 13-15, San Diego Convention Center

Date 1993:

Jul. 23-25

National Food Distributors Association Annual Convention

Category

National

Exhibits

NA

Exhibitors

NA

Visitors

NA

Contact:

Responsible Post for details.

Telephone: Facsimile:

Date 1992:

Aug. 10-12, Las Vegas, NV

Date 1993:

National Frozen Food Show

Category National

Exhibits Food (85 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors 140

Visitors Retailers, distributors,

restaurants

Contact: National Frozen Food Association

P.O. Box 6069

Harrisburg, PA 17112

Telephone: 717 657-8601 **Facsimile**: 717 657-9862

Date 1992: Oct. 26-29, Bally-Grand, Las Vegas

Date 1993: Oct. 3-6

National Grocers Association Show

Category National

Exhibits Food products (50 per cent), equipment (30 per

cent), supplies and services for retail food stores

Exhibitors 425

Visitors Retailers, wholesalers and

distributors

Contact: National Grocers Association

1825 Samuel Morse Drive

Reston, VA 22090

Telephone: 703 437-5300

Facsimile: 703 437-7768

Date 1992: Feb. 2-5, Orange County Convention Center,

Orlando, Florida

Date 1993: Feb. 7-10

National Nutritional Foods Expo

Category National

Exhibits Health food products, beverages, health, beauty

and personal care supplements

Exhibitors 600

Visitors Natural food wholesalers,

distributors, retailers

Contact: National Nutritional Foods Association

150 East Paularino, Suite 285

Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Telephone: 714 966-6632

Facsimile: 714 641-7005

Date 1992: Jul. 24-27, Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee

Date 1993: Jul. 17-20

National Pizza and Pasta Show (Spring)

Category National

Exhibits Food and beverages (80 per cent), equipment and

services related to delivery and franchising

Exhibitors 250

Visitors Pizza chains,

independents, Italian style

restaurants, hotels.

Contact: Amy Kulek, Tradexpo

P.O.Box 802079, Chicago, III. 60680

Telephone: 312 938-0127 **Facsimile**: 312 938-9167

Date 1992:

Jun. 19-21, McCormick Place, Chicago

Date 1993:

TBA

National Pizza and Pasta Show (Fall)

Category

National

Exhibits

Food and beverages (80 per cent), equipment and

services related to delivery and franchising

Exhibitors

200

Visitors

Pizza chains,

independents, Italian style

restaurants, hotels

Contact:

Amy Kulek, Tradexpo

P.O.Box 802079 Chicago, III. 60680

Telephone:

312 938-0127

Facsimile:

312 938-9167

Date 1992:

Fall, Atlantic City

Date 1993:

TBA

National Prepared Frozen Food Festival

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Frozen foods, prepared and refrigerated foods

Exhibitors

130

Visitors

Restaurants, institutions,

supermarkets an

independents

Contact:

National Prepared & Frozen Food Association

P.O. Box 1136 Teaneck, NJ 07666

Telephone:

201 837-8200

Facsimile:

201 837-9770

Date 1992:

Sept. 23, Giants Stadium East Rutherford, N.J.

Date 1993: **TBA**

National Produce Marketing **Association Expo**

Category National

Exhibits Fresh and packaged produce (50 per cent), floral

commodities (38 per cent) packaging, display

equipment and transportation

Exhibitors 900

> **Visitors** Retailers. wholesalers,

> > growers, foodservice

Produce Marketing Association Contact:

> 1500 Casho Mill Road Newark, DE 19714

Telephone: 302 738-7100 Facsimile: 302 731-2409

Date 1992: Oct. 11-13, Colorado Convention Center, Denver

Date 1993: Oct. 24-26

National Restaurant Show

Category National

Exhibits Food (30 per cent), beverages, equipment (50 per

cent) and services

Exhibitors 1800

> **Visitors** Restaurants, hotels,

> > foodservice institutions. supermarkets

distributors

Contact: Dick Gaven

150 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 2000

Chicago, III. 60601

Telephone: 312 853-2525

Facsimile: 312 853-2548 Date 1992:

May 16-20 McCormick Place, Chicago

Date 1993:

May 22-26

National Wholefood Show

Category

National

Exhibits

Natural foods and beverages, vitamin supplements

and body care

Exhibitors

150

Visitors

Manufacturers,

wholesalers, buyers, retail

stores

Contact:

Amy Kulek, Tradexpo

P.O.Box 802079 Chicago, III. 60680

Telephone:

312 938-0127

Facsimile:

312 938-9167

Date 1992:

Jun. 19-21, McCormick Place, Chicago

Date 1993:

TBA

Natural Foods Expo West/East

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Natural food products (85 per cent), natural

beauty aids and services related to health food

industry

Exhibitors

2000

Visitors

Retail trade, distributors,

importers/exporters

Contact:

National Food Expo

1301 Spruce St.

Boulder Col. 80302

Telephone:

303 939-8440

Facsimile:

303 939-9559

Date 1992:

Apr. 10-13, Anaheim, CA

Date 1993: Feb. 19-21

Nebraska Retail Grocers Association

Category Regional

Exhibits Food and non-food products, services

Exhibitors 100

Visitors Retail grocers and

employees, wholesalers

and suppliers

Contact: Nebraska Retail Grocers Association

6509 Irvington Road Omaha, NE 68122

Telephone:

Facsimile:

(402) 572-8991

Date 1992: Jan. 23-24

Date 1993: TBA

New England Dairy Deli Bakery Trade Show and Seminar

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (90 per cent) and equipment

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Retailers, wholesalers and

distributors

Contact: 400 Washington St. Suite 106

Braintree, MA 02184

Telephone: 617 849-1334

Facsimile: 617 849-0821

Date 1992: Apr. 7-8, Bayside Expo Center, Boston, MA

Date 1993: Apr. 13-14

New York Fall Tabletop Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Housewares, foodservice equipment and food

Exhibitors 100

Visitors Restaurant owners,

institutional buyers, retail stores, import/export,

boutiques

Contact: George Little Management

2 Park Avenue, Suite 1100 New York, NY, 10016-5748

Telephone: 21 Facsimile: 21

212 686-6070 212 685-6598

Date 1992:

Nov. 7-10, 69th Infantry Armory, New York, NY

Date 1993: TBA

New York Spring Tabletop Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Housewares, foodservice equipment and food

Exhibitors 100

Visitors Restaurant owners,

institutional buyers, retail stores, import/export,

boutiques

Contact: George Little Management

2 Park Avenue, Suite 1100 New York, NY, 10016-5748

Telephone: 212 686-6070 **Facsimile**: 212 685-6598

Date 1992: Apr. 25-28, 69th Infantry Armory, New York, NY

New York State Food Merchants Association

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (80 per cent), equipment and

related services

Exhibitors 450

Visitors Buyers from the tri-state

area, supermarkets, corner stores,

independents

Contact: New York State Food Merchants Association

50 Broadway

New York, NY 10004

Telephone:

Facsimile:

212 558-6500

Date 1992: Oct. 25-27, Concord Hotel

Date 1993: Jan. 22-24

NFBA Sales and Marketing Convention and Marketplace Expo

Category National

Exhibits Food products (90 per cent) and services

Exhibitors 200

Visitors Brokers and food

manufacturers

Contact: National Food Brokers Association

1010 Massachusetts Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20001

Telephone: 202 789-2844 **Facsimile**: 202 842-0839

Date 1992: Dec. 4-8, New Orleans Convention Center

Date 1993: Dec. 3-7

North Dakota Grocers Association

Category Regional

Exhibits Food and non-food items

Exhibitors 100

Visitors Grocers

Contact: North Dakota Grocers Association

P.O.Box 758

Bismarck, ND 58502

Telephone: Facsimile:

(701) 223-4106

Date 1992: Jan. 10-12

Date 1993: TBA

Northeast Food Service & Lodging Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food and beverage products (40 per cent),

equipment, furnishings, supplies and services for

food service industry

Exhibitors 600

Visitors Restaurants and hotel

chains, independents, institutional food services,

health care buyers

Contact: Cahners Exposition Group

P.O. Box 35

Boston, MA 02117-0035

Telephone: 617 536-8152

Facsimile: 617 536-8719

Date 1992: Apr. 12-14, Bayside Exposition Center Boston

Date 1993: Apr.25-27

Northeast Regional Food Service Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (45 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors 200

Visitors Restaurants, hotels,

cafeterias, delis, bakeries, institutions, supermarkets

Contact: Wisconsin Restaurant Association

125 West Doty Street, Suite 200

Madison, WI 53703

Telephone: 608 251-3663 **Facsimile:** 608 251-3666

Date 1992: Oct. 19-20, Green Bay Expo Center

Date 1993: Oct. 18-19

Northwest Nutritional Foods Show

Category Regional

Exhibits

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Natural food buyers from

Pacific Northwest

Contact: Kathy Spector,

Northwest Nutritional Foods Association

1303 Monroe St.

Port Townsend, WA 98368

Telephone:

206 385-1186

Facsimile:

Date 1992: Feb. 26 - Mar.1, Tacoma, WA

OFI's Convention and Trade Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (65 per cent) equipment and

related retail food services

Exhibitors 250

Visitors Retailers, wholesalers and

brokers

Contact: Association of Oregon Food Industries

P.O.Box 12847 Salem, OR 97309

Telephone: 503 363-3768 **Facsimile**: 503 363-5433

Date 1992: Oct. 22-25, Lane County Fair Grounds, Eugene,

Oregon

Date 1993: Oct. 21-24

Ohio Grocers Association Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (65 per cent), equipment,

furnishings and services

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Food retailers including

chains and independents, corner store owners

Contact: Ohio Grocers Association

1564 West 1st Ave. Columbus, OH 43212

Telephone: 614 487-9991 **Facsimile**: 614 487-9806

Date 1992: Oct. 23-25, Columbus Convention Center

Date 1993: Oct. 8-10

Ohio Hospitality Industry Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Foods and beverages (45 per cent), equipment,

supplies and services for hospitality industry

Exhibitors 450

Visitors Hotels, restaurants and

foodservice

Contact: Ohio Restaurant Association

490 City Park Avenue Suite 200

Columbus, OH 43215

Telephone: 614 228-0522

Facsimile: 614 228-5731

Date 1992: Feb. 16-17, Veterans Memorial Coliseum,

Columbus, Ohio

Date 1993: Feb. 14-15

Pacific International Restaurant Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Foods and beverages (45 per cent), china,

supplies, furnishings, equipment and services

Exhibitors 1000

Visitors West Coast restaurants,

hotels and institutional

foodservice

Contact: Restaurant Association of Washington

600 Steward St. Suite 220

Seattle, WA 98101

Telephone: 206 441-1190

Facsimile: 206 441-8746

Date 1992: Mar. 28-30, King Dome Seattle, WA

Philadelphia National Candy Show (Fall)

Category National

Exhibits Candy, displays, ingredients and packaging, all

items related to manfacture, production and

marketing

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Buyers from department

stores, retail stores, and

for giftbaskets

Contact: P.O.Box 3006

Radner, PA 19087

Telephone: 215 688-7027 **Facsimile**: 215 687 3426

Date 1992: Sept. 13-15, Valley Forge Lodge, King of Prussia,

PA

Date 1993: Sept. 12-14

Philadelphia National Candy Show (Spring)

Category National

Exhibits Candy, displays, ingredients and packaging,

clothing, all items related to manfacture,

production and marketing

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Buyers from department

stores, retail stores, and

for giftbaskets

Contact: P.O.Box 3006

Radner, PA 19087

Telephone: 215 688-7027

Facsimile: 215 687 3426

Date 1992: Jan. 1-15, Valley Forge Lodge, King of Prussia, PA

Date 1993: Jan. 10-12

Philadelphia Restaurant Food **Equipment Show**

Category Regional

Food products (40 per cent), equipment, services, **Exhibits**

building and decorating materials related to

restaurant industry

Exhibitors 400

> **Visitors** Restaurant owners,

> > institutional foodservice

Contact: Connie Mallos

P.O. Box 2467

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Telephone: 717 697-4183 Facsimile: 717 790-9441

Date 1992: Apr. 26-27, Valley Forge Lodge, King of Prussia,

Date 1993: **TBA**

Retail Bakers of America

National Category

Baking ingredients (45 per cent), equipment and **Exhibits**

services

Exhibitors 400

> **Visitors** Bakers, distributors and

> > equipment suppliers

Retail Bakers of America Contact:

> 6525 Bellcrest Road Hyattsville, MD 20782

Telephone: 301 277-0990

Facsimile: 301 277-2090

Date 1992: Mar. 21-24, Convention Center Anaheim, CA. Date 1993: Mar. 27-30

Retail Grocers Association of Arizona Trade Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (60 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Retail food stores and

supermarkets

Contact: Retail Grocers Association of Arizona

120 East Pierce Phoenix, AZ 85004

Telephone: 602 252-9761 Facsimile: 602 252-9021

Date 1992: May 16-17, Phoenix Civic Plaza Convention Center

Date 1993: May 15-18

Seafare International

Category National

Exhibits Food products, equipment and services related to

the seafood industry

Exhibitors 500

Visitors NA

Contact: Seafare Expositions Inc.

454 N. 34th Street Seattle, WA 98103

Telephone: 206 547-6030 **Facsimile**: 206 548-9346

Date 1992: Feb. 12-14, Long Beach Convention Center, Long

Beach, CA

Show East

Category National

Exhibits Snack foods, leisure-time foods i.e. hot dogs and

popcorn, motion picture equipment and theatre

furnishings

Exhibitors 175

Visitors Theatre owners and

managers, film

distributors

Contact: Robert Sunshine

244 West 49th Street, Suite 305

New York, NY, 10019

Telephone: 212 246-6460 Facsimile: 212 265-6428

Date 1992: Oct. 13-15, Taj Mahal, Atlantic City

Date 1993: Oct.

Show West

Category National

Exhibits Snack food, leisure-time foods i.e. popcorn hot

dogs, motion picture equipment and theatre

furnishings

Exhibitors 290

Visitors Theatre owners and

managers, film

distributors

Contact: NATO/Show West

116 North Robertson, Suite F

Los Angeles, CA 90048

Telephone: 213 657-7724

Facsimile: 213 657-4758

Date 1992: Feb. 17-20, Bally-Grand, Las Vegas

Snaxpo

Category National

Exhibits Snack food ingredients (20 per cent), packaging

and machinery

Exhibitors 500

Visitors Snack food

manufacturers

Contact: Snack Food Association

1711 King Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Telephone: 703 836-4500 **Facsimile**: 703 836-8262

Date 1992: Feb. 22-28, Moscone Center, San Francisco, CA

Date 1993: TBA

South-Eastern Hospitality and Foodservice Show

Category Regional

Exhibits NA

Exhibitors NA

Visitors NA

Contact: Cahners Exposition Group, Food Service Division

P.O.Box 35,

Boston, MA 02117-0035

Telephone: 617 536-8152 **Facsimile**: 617 536-8719

Date 1992: Oct. 11-13, Georgia World Congress Center,

Atlanta, GA

South-Eastern US Food Service Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (40 percent), equipment (15 percent), food

service supplies

Exhibitors 725

Visitors Restaurant owners,

purchasing agents for institutional food services, airlines and cruise lines

Contact: Florida Restaurant Association

2441 Hollywood Boulevard Hollywood, FL 33020

Telephone: 305 921-6300 **Facsimile**: 305 925-6381

Date 1992: Sept. 18-20, Orange County Convention Center,

Orlando, Florida

Date 1993: Aug. 27-29

Southern County Food Service Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (65 per cent), equipment and services

related to restaurant/hotel industry

Exhibitors 300

Visitors Buyers from hotels,

restaurants, institutions and hospitality services

Contact: Gary Huffaker,

California Restaurant Association 3435 Wiltshire Blvd. Suite 2606

Los Angeles, CA. 90019

Telephone: 213 384-1200 Facsimile: 213 384-1623

Date 1992: Mar. 8-9, San Diego Convention Center

Sweet Snacks/Chocolate Expo and Annual Convention

Category National

Exhibits (Held every three years) Chocolate, coatings,

flavourings and other ingredients, equipment,

packaging, films and materials

Exhibitors 220

Visitors Association members.

non-members in trade and technical buyers of

equipment

Contact: National Confectioners Association

7900 Westpark Drive - Suite A320

McLean, VA 22102

Telephone: Facsimile:

703 790-5750 703 790-5752

Date 1992:

Jun. 14-16, Hyatt Regency, Chicago

Date 1993:

no show

Tennessee Food Service Expo

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (40 per cent), beverages

equipment services

Exhibitors 325

Visitors Restaurants, hotels,

institutional foodservice

Contact: Tennessee Restaurant Association

P.O. Box 1029

Franklin, TN 37065-1029

Telephone:

615 790-2703

Facsimile:

615 790-2768

Date 1992:

Nov. 9-10, Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee

Date 1993: TBA

Tennessee Grocers Association Convention and World of Food Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (85 per cent) equipment, supplies and

services

Exhibitors 275

Visitors Wholesalers, grocers,

supermarkets and

retailers

Contact: Tennessee Grocers Association

1838 Elm Hill Pike Suite 136 Nashville, TN 37210-3726

Telephone: 615

615 889-0136

Facsimile: 615 889-2877

Date 1992: Apr. 25-27, Cook Convention Center, Memphis,

Tennessee

Date 1993: TBA

Texas Food Industry Association

Category Regional

Exhibits Foods (55 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors 450

Visitors Grocers, distributors,

buyers for independent supermarkets and convenience stores

Contact: Texas Food Industry Association

7333 Highway 290 East

Austin, TX 78723

Telephone: 512 926-9285

Facsimile: 512 926-0917

Date 1992: Jun. 14-15, George R. Brown Convention Center,

Houston

Date 1993:

June 10-16

The Hospitality Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Foods (45 per cent), equipment and services for

the hospitality industry

Exhibitors

425

Visitors

Owners and managers of

foodservice establishments from a ten

state area

Contact:

Colorado Restaurant Association

899 Logan- Suite 300 Denver, CO 80203-2972

Telephone:

303 830-2972

Facsimile:

303 830-2973

Date 1992:

Apr. 12-13, Colorado Convention Center, Denver,

CO

Date 1993:

Mar. 21-22

Tristate Restaurant Food & Equipment Show

Category

Regional

Exhibits

Food products (40 per cent), equipment, services

building and decorating materials related to

restaurant industry

Exhibitors

250

Visitors

Restaurant owners,

institutional foodservice

Contact:

Connie Mallos

PO. Box 2467

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Telephone:

717 697-4183

Facsimile:

717 790-9441

Date 1992: Mar. 15-16, Expo Mart, Monroeville

Date 1993: TBA

Upper Midwest Restaurant and Lodging Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food products (60 per cent), equipment, supplies

and services

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Restaurant owners, hotel

managers from chains and independents and operators of foodservice

establishments

Contact: Hospitality Trade Show

871 West Jefferson Avenue

St. Paul, MN 55102

Telephone: 612 222-7401 **Facsimile**: 612 222-7347

Date 1992: Feb. 23-25, Minneapolis Convention Center

Date 1993: Feb. 21-23

Utah Retail Grocers Assocation

Category Regional

Exhibits Foods (75 per cent), equipment and services

Exhibitors 90

Visitors Regional supermarket

chains, independents and

corner grocers

Contact: Utah Retail Grocers Assocation

1578 West 1700 South Salt Lake City, UT 84104

Telephone: 801 973-9517

Facsimile: 801 972-8712

Date 1992:

Sept. 28-29, Salt Palace, Salt Lake City

Date 1993:

Sept. 27-28

Washington State Food Dealers Association Convention

Category Regional

Exhibits Goods and equipment for retail grocery

Exhibitors 400

Visitors Retail grocers from

Washington and Alaska

Contact: Washington State Food Dealers Association

480 East 19th Street Tacoma, WA 98421

Telephone: 2

Date 1992:

206 272-2966 206 272-2723

Facsimile: 20

Aug. 20-23, Tacoma Dome, Tacoma, WA

Date 1993: TBA

Western Association of Food Chains Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Convention only - no exhibits

Exhibitors NA

Visitors Food store chain owners

and operators

Contact: Western Association of Food Chains, Inc.,

825 Colorado Blvd., Suite 202 Los Angeles, CA 90041-1714

Telephone: 213 254-7279

Facsimile: 213 254-6032

Date 1992: Apr. 4-9, San Diego, CA

Western Restaurant Show

Category Regional

Exhibits Food (65 per cent), equipment and services

related to restaurant/hotel industry. Second

largest restaurant show in the U.S.

Exhibitors 2000

Visitors Buyers from hotels,

restaurants, institutions and hospitality services from 13 western states

Contact: Gary Huffaker,

California Restaurant Association 3435 Wiltshire Blvd. Suite 2606 Los Angeles, CA 900-0816

Telephone: 213 384-1200 Facsimile: 213 384-1623

Date 1992: Aug. 15-18, Moscone Center, San Francisco

Date 1993: Aug. 14-17

Western States Meat Association Annual Convention

Category Regional

Exhibits NA

Exhibitors NA

Visitors NA

Contact: Responsible Post for details.

Telephone: Facsimile:

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Los Angeles

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