Mail Survey of the U.S. Seafood Wholesale Market Channel with an Emphasis on Whole Farmed Marine Shrimp

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Executive Summary

Cultured marine shrimp producers in the United States (U.S.) (e.g., South Carolina, Texas, etc.) and other countries (e.g., Ecuador, Panama, etc.) have attempted to identify and develop whole (heads-on) shrimp market segments in the U.S and Europe. Past marketing studies have generally focused on various U.S. markets for headless (heads-off) marine shrimp. Consequently, there is a paucity of data on U.S. markets for whole marine shrimp.

The objectives of this research were (a) to describe existing marine shrimp preferences in the U.S. wholesale market channel and (b) to identify critical product attributes in the wholesale market when selling heads-on marine shrimp. Use and preference data was collected on U.S. seafood wholesalers, distributors, and other market channel members based on a 1989

mail survey.

A two-page questionnaire was designed and tested for a mail survey of marine shrimp usage and preferences. The Dun & Bradstreets Marketing Service in Parsippany, New Jersey, was the mailing list source. In June 1989, 6,021 questionnaires were mailed to seafood wholesalers, distributors and other buyers in the U.S. The highest percentage of firms had mailing addresses in the Northeast region, followed by the West region, the South and the Midwest. A total of 393 (6.4%) usable questionnaires and six unusable questionnaires were returned. The number of responses was generally consistent with the number of mailings by region.

When asked to classify their business, 45.2% chose wholesaler/distributor, 12.7% processor, 10.2% broker, 10.0% importer, 8.6% retailer, 6.8% trader, 4.9% exporter and 1.6% others (e.g. restaurants, producers). The highest number of "processor" classifications was found in the South region.

Most businesses have reported that their seafood sales in 1988 were under \$5 million. The average percent contribution of shrimp sales to total seafood sales generally decreased as the companies' sales volume increased. For companies with annual seafood sales under \$5 million, shrimp contributed to about 59% of gross seafood sales in 1988. Shrimp sales averaged a 54% contribution to seafood sales of all companies responding.

Wholesaler/distributors reported the highest percentage, 40%, of their shrimp were sold to white tablecloth restaurants outlets in 1988. In contrast, processors responses indicated that wholesalers/distributors outlets were their major outlet, 52% of

their 1988 sales.

34% of the business reported purchasing of U.S. farmed marine shrimp during the 12 months preceding this survey. The authors believe that some of the respondents may have assumed that farmed shrimp imported into the U.S. was the same as "U.S. farmed shrimp." When asked if they would be interested in purchasing marine white shrimp farmed (cultured) in the U.S., 46% said "maybe", 43% said "yes" and 11% said "no".

As expected, heads-off shrimp products dominated the general purchases and reported preferences of seafood wholesalers and others in the market channel. Based upon shell-on shrimp product forms, the most commonly desired (requested) product was heads-off frozen shrimp (28.1%), heads-off IQF (20.3%), heads-off fresh (16.9%), heads-on fresh (9.8%), heads-on IQF (8.3%), heads-on frozen (6.4%), other products (5.5%) and live (4.7%). The desired count sizes (i.e. number of heads-on individual shrimp per pound) for selected heads-on (i.e. fresh, frozen and IQF) shrimp products were was the following: 16-30 counts (31.1%), all major counts (28.3%), U15 counts (20.6%), 31-50 counts (16.7%), counts greater than 50 (3.3%).

When asked to indicated desired monthly quantities (pounds) of heads-on shrimp, 40.7% chose fresh, 40.0% IQF and 19.3% frozen. Average monthly quantities desired were the highest for

IQF shrimp.

Although heads-off (headless) marine shrimp is obviously the dominant product form in the U.S. wholesale sector, there appears to be some willingness to purchase whole (heads-on) marine shrimp products. It is estimated that the latent demand for U.S. farmed marine shrimp by U.S. wholesalers and distributors may range between 490,000 and 970,000 pounds per month. This report indicates that there are several problems confronting U.S. farms wanting to target whole marine shrimp buyers in the U.S. wholesaler sector. The most obvious is the dominance of heads-off shrimp in the wholesale sector. Even when buyers expressed interest in purchasing heads-on shrimp, it is assumed that many wanted to process them into various heads-off product forms. In addition, some respondents may be generally indifferent to the actual source of the whole shrimp.

The apparent latent demand for frozen and IQF whole shrimp should be considered by U.S. shrimp farms. Unfortunately, these are product forms that would appear to be the most vulnerable to other competitors like U.S. processors and/or foreign producers. For example, it appears that Latin American shrimp farmers would not have any major difficulties in marketing competitively priced

^{1&}quot;Major" counts were considered U15 to 81+.

heads-on IQF shrimp in the U.S. In contrast, fresh heads-on shrimp marketing may be vulnerable to competition from the domestic shrimp fisheries. The live shrimp market segment in the U.S. may warrant additional research as a potential outlet to supplement sales of U.S. farms. Live shrimp would at least be a product form generally isolated from import competition and probably much of the U.S. wild shrimp production.

Introduction

In 1988, 767 million pounds of shrimp (NMFS, 1990) entered U.S. market channels. Much of the domestic and imported marine shrimp, mainly <u>Penaeus</u> spp., entering the wholesale market channels in the U.S. was sold in various frozen headless product forms. Past marketing studies have generally focused on U.S. markets for headless (heads-off) marine shrimp. In contrast, there is a paucity of data on U.S. markets for whole marine shrimp, especially at the wholesale level. Moreover, cultured marine shrimp producers in the U.S. (e.g., South Carolina, Texas, etc.) and other countries (e.g., Ecuador, Panama, etc.) have attempted to identify and develop whole (heads-on) shrimp market segments in the U.S and Europe (Anonymous, 1990).

The objectives of this research were (a) to describe existing marine shrimp preferences in the wholesale market channel and (b) to identify critical product attributes in the wholesale market when selling heads-on marine shrimp. Use and preference data was collected on U.S. seafood wholesalers, distributors and others based on a 1989 mail survey.

Materials and Methods

Mail Survey

A two-page questionnaire was designed and tested for a mail survey of marine shrimp usage and preferences by U.S. wholesalers (see Exhibit 1). The survey questions consisted of the respondent's mailing address, shrimp product preference, and current purchases of shrimp. Dun & Bradstreets Marketing Service in Parsippany, New Jersey, was the source for the mailing list. Companies listed under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code of 514699 "Fish & Seafoods, nec" were selected for the survey's mailing list.

In May 1989, thirty-three (33) firms were randomly selected for the seafood wholesalers survey pretest. A week after the mail-out of questionnaires, a telephone follow-up was conducted to see if the firms received a questionnaires and to encourage them to return their survey. Eight (24%) of the thirty-three (33) firms returned their questionnaire and four were returned due to insufficient addresses. The questionnaire did not need any major revisions.

Wholesalers and/or distributors usually buy shrimp directly from importers, processors and/or "handlers" (assemblers). Shrimp handlers in the Southeastern U.S., often purchase and/or broker heads-on and heads-off shrimp directly from producers (e.g. shrimp trawler operators) and sell the shrimp to wholesalers or processors.

In June 1989, 6,021 remaining questionnaires were mailed to seafood wholesalers, distributors and other buyers in the U.S. The highest percent of firms had mailing addresses in the Northeast region, followed by the West region, the South and the Midwest (Table 1). The highest number of firms on the mailing list were located in Florida and the fewest number were in Wyoming (Table 1A).

Table 1. The Seafood Wholesaler Mailing List Addresses by Region, 1989.

Region	Ma	ilings	
Northeast ¹ West ² South ³ Midwest ⁴	2,232 1,671 1,645 506	(36.9%) (27.6%) (27.2%) (8.3%)	
Total Returned Mailings ⁵	6,054 58	(100.0%)	
Total Completed Mailing		(99.0%)	

CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT, DE, DC, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA, WV

"IA, KS, MN, MT, ND, SD, NE, IL, IN, MI, OH, WI

Note: The U.S. Bureau of the Census' Divisions and Regions were not used in this study.

A microcomputer data entry program, MPA Version 3.0, sold by Detail Technologies Inc., was used to enter responses for each questionnaire. The responses were entered based upon a standardized coding procedure (see Appendices Exhibit 1). A cross tabulation or crosstabs microcomputer software, A-cross sold by Analytical Computer Service-East, Inc., was used to analyze the questionnaire data.

Results And Discussion

Response Rate

A total of 393 (6.4%) usable questionnaires and six unusable questionnaires were returned. Most of the questionnaires, 74%, were received in the first 30 days of the mailing (Table 2). Other marketing researchers have reported response rates under 10% for mail surveys of U.S. seafood

²AZ, CO, ID, NV, UT, WY, AK, CA, HI, OR, WA, NM, OK, TX

AL, FL, GA, NC, SC, AR, KY, LA, MS, MO, TN

⁵Insufficient address, forwarding address expired or no forwarding address.

³ All tables with its table number followed by the capital letter "A" are in this report's appendices.

wholesalers and brokers. For example, Harvey, et al. (1990) reported that out of 920 wholesalers mailed questionnaires in the Mid-Atlantic states, only 65 (7%) responded to their 1989 mail survey regarding cultured hybrid striped bass.

Higher response rates might have been achieved by using

Higher response rates might have been achieved by using follow-up phone calls and/or mailings. Haby and Cuenco (1987) reported a response of 50% from their mail survey of 374 Southeastern seafood wholesalers and retailers when using follow-up techniques. The pretest methodology used in this study also indicates that response rates can be improved with follow-up calls.

The highest percent of respondents had mailing addresses in the Northeast region (34.4%) followed by the South (31.0%), the West (23.4%) and the Midwest (11.2%) (Fig. 1). The number of responses was generally consistent with the number of mailings by region (see Table 1). At the state level, Florida had the highest number of respondents (Table 1A). In contrast, 28 states had three or fewer responses (Table 1A). Florida also had the highest usable response percentage, followed by California and New York (Table 1A).

Responses by Business Classification and Customer Locations

When asked to classify their business, 45.2% chose wholesaler/distributor, 12.7% processor, 10.2% broker, 10.0% importer, 8.6% retailer, 6.8% trader, 4.9% exporter and 1.6% others (e.g. restaurants, producers) (Table 3). The largest total number of wholesaler/distributors responding were in the state of Florida (Table 2A). The highest number of processors responding were in the state of Florida (Table 2A). Since none of the businesses used in the mailing list were given specific classifications by the list vendor, it is not possible to comment on the response rate by different type of businesses. The highest number of processor classifications was found in the South region. In 1987, shrimp processors in the South Atlantic and Gulf states represented 73% of reported 329 million pounds of U.S. frozen processed shrimp products, (NMFS unpublished data, 1987).

Most wholesalers/distributors had customers in their resident state and bordering states. As might be expected, retailers reported that most of their customers were located in their resident state (Table 3A). Wholesalers/distributors and retailers reported that most of their customers were located East of the Mississippi River (Table 4A). About 65% of the respondents were located in the Northeast and South regions (Fig. 1).

Respondents reporting that the majority of their customers were West of the Mississippi River had the highest percent, 58.6%, of answers to the question regarding interest in purchasing marine white shrimp farmed in the U.S. (Table 5A).

Table 2. Date of Questionnaires Received, June-November, 1989.

Pretest Date:	Total No. Received:
JUNE 5-9	3
JUNE 12-16	2
JUNE 19-23	1
TOTAL	6

Date:	Total No. Received
JULY 3-7	0
JULY 10-14	3
JULY 17-21	180
JULY 24-28	116
JULY 31-AUG 4	49
AUG 7-11	18
AUG 14-18	11
AUG 21-25	5
AUG 28-SEPT 1	2
SEPT 4-8	5
SEPT 11-15	1
SEPT 18-22	0
SEPT 25-29	0
OCT 2-6	0
OCT 9-13	1
OCT 16-20	0
OCT 23-27	0
OCT 30-NOV 3	2
TOTAL	393

Table 3. The Respondent's Classification of Business by Regions, 1989.

How would you best describe your firms seafood marketing activities?

Business Classification	Northeast		Midwest			South	-	Vest	All Regions		
Broker	18	(9.6%)	4	(6.3%)	20	(9.4%)	22	(13.3%)	64	(10.2%)	
Exporter	4	(2.1%)	1	(1.6%)	11	(5.2%)	15	(9.0%)	31	(4.9%)	
W/D1	100	(53.5%)	36	(56.3%)	93	(43.9%)	55	(33.1%)	284	(45.2%)	
Processor	13	(7.0%)	4	(6.3%)	42	(19.8%)	21	(12.7%)	80	(12.7%)	
Importer	17	(9.1%)	4	(6.3%)	15	(7.1%)	27	(16.3%)	63	(10.0%)	
Trader	12	(6.4%)	3	(4.7%)	11	(5.2%)	17	(10.2%)	43	(6.8%)	
Retailer	20	(10.7%)	12	(18.8%)	17	(8.0%)	5	(3.0%)	54	(8.6%)	
Others	3	(1.6%)	0	(0.0%)	3	(1.4%)	4	(2.4%)	10	(1.6%)	
Totals	187	(29.7%)	64	(10.2%)	212	(33.7%)	166	(26.4%)	629	(100.0%)	

1Wholesaler/Distributor

Note: There were multiple responses to the business classification question. Percentages were calculated based upon totals for a given column except for "Totals" category row. These percentages are not consistent with percentages in Fig. 1 due to multiple responses to the business classification question. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

"Yes" answers for this question by respondents with customers located East and West of the Mississippi River, and East of the Mississippi River were 47.5% and 37.3%, respectively (Table 5A).

Response rates relative to the question on the continent of the customer were low (Table 6A). For all business types was the highest percentaged of customers were located in North America,

30%, followed by Asia, 20% (Table 6A).

For wholesalers/brokers, the highest response rate was in the 5-9 employee category. Most business responding to this survey employed fewer than 50 people (Table 4). Processors had the highest response rate, 35.4%, in the 20-49 employee category. Exporters and "Other" types of businesses usually had the lowest number of employees (Table 4).

Reported Seafood and Shrimp Sales in 1988

Most businesses have reported that their seafood sales in 1988 were under \$5 million (Table 7A & 8A). The average percent contribution of shrimp sales to total seafood sales generally decreased as the company's sales volume increased (Table 7A). For companies with annual seafood sales under \$5 million, shrimp contributed to about 59% of gross seafood sales in 1988 (Table 7A). Shrimp sales averaged a 54% contribution to seafood sales of all companies responding. If companies interested in purchasing shrimp were more likely to respond to this survey, then these averages may over estimate the contribution of shrimp sales to seafood companies in the U.S.

Businesses with sales volume less than \$5 million generally had fewer than 50 employees (Table 5). The largest business group, wholesaler/distributor, responding to this survey, generally reported 1988 seafood sales of less than \$5 million (Table 6). Processors also reported the highest percentage, 56.2%, in the less than \$5 million sales range (Table 6).

Shrimp sales averaged about 36% and 40%, respectively, of total 1988 seafood sales for wholesaler/distributors and processors (Table 7). In the South and West regions, shrimp sales averaged about 44% of seafood sales for wholesalers and distributors. Processors reported that shrimp sales averaged about 40% of total seafood sales (Table 7) with processors in the

West region having the highest percent.

Wholesaler/distributors had the highest percentage, 40%, of their shrimp sold to white tablecloth restaurant outlets in 1988 (Table 9A). In contrast, processors responses indicated that wholesalers/distributors were their major outlet, 52% of their 1988 sales (Table 10A). As other studies have indicated, the shrimp sales in the U.S. at the wholesale sector are still dependent upon restaurant purchases.

⁴Restaurants and producers.

Figure 1. Major Geographic Region of Respondents, 1989.

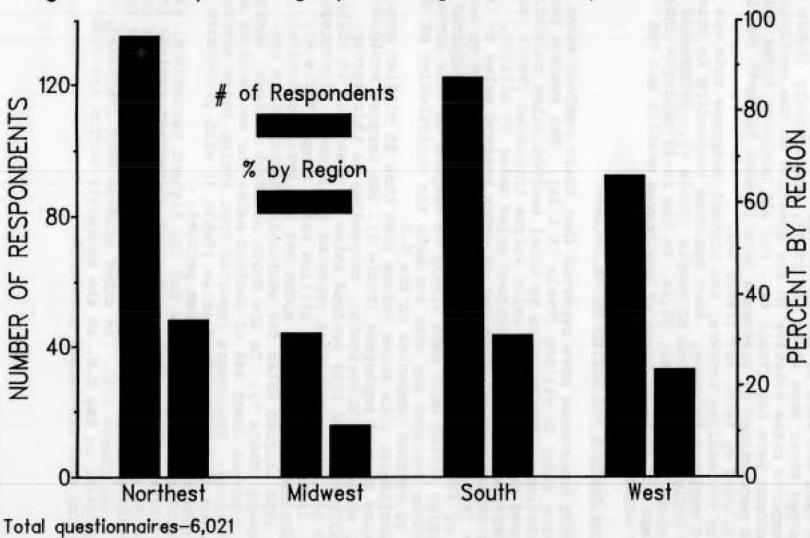


Table 4. Business Classification vs. Number of Reported Employees in 1988.

Number of	Number of Business Classification										Total							
Employees			Broker Exporte				TOP CONTRACT	Processor Importer		Trader		Retailer		Others		Responses ²		
1-4	27	42.9%	10	33.3%	66	23.6%	9	11.4%	21	33.9%	13	31.0%	18	34.0%	7	70.08	171	27.6%
5-9	18	28.6%	4	13.3%	67	23.9%	8	10.1%	15	24.2%	13	31.0%	15	28.3%	2	20.08	142	22.9%
10-19	5	7.9%	2	6.7%	64	22.9%	17	21.5%	10	16.1%	6	14.3%	8	15.1%	0	0.09	112	18.1%
20-49	10	15.9%	7	23.3%	55	19.6%	28	35.4%	10	16.1%	4	9.5%	7	13.2%	0	0.09	121	19.5%
50-99	2	3.2%	5	16.7%	22	7.9%	10	12.7%	4	6.5%	6	14.3%	2	3.8%	0	0.08	51	8.2%
100-249	1	1.6%	2	6.7%	5	1.8%	6	7.6%	2	3.2%	0	0.0%	3	5.7%	1	10.09	20	3.2%
250-499	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	1.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09	1	0.28
500+	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09	1	0.28
Total	63	10.2%	30	4.8%	280	45.2%	79	12.8%	62	10.0%	42	6.8%	53	8.6%	10	1.6	619	100.0%

Wholesaler/Distributor

Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses".

Note: There were multiple responses to the business classification questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

Table 5. Employees vs. Reported Shrimp Sales Volume, 1988.

			Sal	es Volu	me, Mil	lion of D	ollars	1988			Tota	1
Number of Employees		<\$5	\$5 t	0 \$9.9	\$10 to	\$14.99	\$15	to \$19.9	>	\$20	Resp	onse ¹
1-4	86	35.2%	10	19.2%	4	12.9%	1	25.0%	1	3.6%	102	28.4%
5-9	71	29.1%	8	15.4%	3	9.7%	1	25.0%	2	7.1%	85	23.7%
10-19	55	22.5%	11	21.2%	6	19.4%	0	0.0%	4	14.3%	76	21.2%
20-49	24	9.8%	16	30.8%	12	38.7%	1	25.0%	7	25.0%	60	16.7%
50-99	7	2.9%	4	7.7%	2	6.5%	1	25.0%	9	32.1%	23	6.4%
100-249	1	0.4%	3	5.8%	2	6.5%	0	0.0%	5	17.9%	11	3.1%
250-499	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	3.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.3%
500+	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	3.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.3%
Total	244	68.0%	52	14.5%	31	8.6%	4	1.1%	28	7.8%	359	100.0%

¹Column percentage based upon totals for a given column except for "Total" category row. Note: The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

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Table 6. Business Classification vs. Reported Sales Volume Level in 1988.

		Sales Volume, Millions of Dollars, 1988										
Business Classification		<\$5	\$5 t	0 \$9.9	\$10	to \$14.9	\$15	to \$19	.9	>\$20	Res	onses ¹
Broker	30	48.4%	16	25.8%	8	12.9%	1	1.6%	7	11.3%	62	10.5%
Exporter	10	37.0%	7	25.9%	4	14.8%	1	3.7%	5	18.5%	27	4.6%
W/D^2	188	70.7%	36	13.5%	22	8.3%	3	1.1%	17	6.48	266	45.2%
Processor	41	56.2%	15	20.5%	6	8.2%	0	0.0%	11	15.1%	73	12.48
Importer	26	43.3%	13	21.7%	9	15.0%	1	1.7%	11	18.3%	60	10.2%
Trader	20	48.8%	6	14.6%	5	12.2%	0	0.0%	10	24.4%	41	7.0%
Retailer	43	89.6%	2	4.2%	1	2.1%	0	0.0%	2	4.2%	48	8.29
Others	10	90.9%	0	0.0%	1	9.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	11	1.98
Total	368	62.6%	95	16.2%	56	9.5%	6	1.0%	63	10.7%	588	100.08

^{&#}x27;Column percentage base on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses".

²Wholesaler/Distributor

Note: There were multiple responses to the business classification questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

Interest in U.S. Farmed Marine Shrimp

34% of the businesses reported purchasing of U.S. farmed marine shrimp during the 12 months preceding this survey (Table 8). Wholesaler/distributors from the midwest had the highest response rate, 36% to the "yes" category (Table 8). The supply of U.S. farmed marine shrimp in 1988 was probably less than 0.5% of U.S. total shrimp supplies. Consequently, the authors believe that some of the respondents may have mistakenly assumed that farmed shrimp imported into the U.S. was the same as "U.S. farmed shrimp." This could be indicative of the U.S. shrimp farming industry's difficulties in differentiating U.S. farmed shrimp from sources and/or buyer indifferences relative to the source.

When asked if they would be interested in purchasing marine white shrimp farmed (cultured) in the U.S., 46% said "maybe", 43% said "yes" and 11% said "no" (Table 9a). Midwest respondents had the highest response percentage for the "yes" category (61%) while Northeast buyers had the lowest response (Table 9a). "Traders" and "Brokers" had the highest percentages relative to interest (i.e. a "yes" response) while "Other" and "Exporters" had the lowest response rates to "yes" (Table 9b). In comparison, Wirth (1989) reported that 87% of the responding Mid-Atlantic seafood wholesalers were willing to purchase U.S. cultured hybrid striped bass. Perhaps the availability of both domestic and imported shrimp products compared to other aquaculture species (e.g. hybrid striped bass, etc.) may have accounted for this relative lower lack of interest in U.S. farmed shrimp.

Product Forms Purchased and Buyer Preferences

As expected, heads-off shrimp products dominated the general purchases and reported preferences of seafood wholesalers and others in the market channel. When asked to indicate the raw shell-on shrimp products purchased in 1988, 54.2% of those responding indicated that they purchased heads-off frozen shrimp including individually quick frozen (IQF) shrimp, 18.1% heads-off fresh, 13.6% heads-on fresh, 11.9% heads-on frozen and IQF, and 2.2% indicated live shrimp. Based upon shell-on shrimp product forms, the most commonly desired (requested) product was heads-off frozen shrimp (28.1%), heads-off IQF (20.3%), heads-off fresh (16.9%), heads-on fresh (9.8%), heads-on IQF (8.3%), heads-on frozen (6.4%), other products (5.5%) and live (4.7%) (Fig. 2).

Heads-on Shrimp and Buyer Preferences

The desired count sizes (i.e. number of heads-on individual shrimp per pound) for selected heads-on (i.e. fresh, frozen and IQF) shrimp was the following: 16-30 counts (31.1%), all major counts (28.3%), U-15 counts (20.6%), 31-50 counts (16.7%), counts

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Table 7. Business Classification by Region vs. Average (Mean) Percent Contribution of Shrimp Sales to Reported 1988 Seafood Sales.

Business Classification	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Region
Broker:					TO AMERICA SOCIETA
Number	11	13	2	9	35
Responses Percent ¹	(10.5%)	(10.7%)	(4.4%)	(10.5%)	(9.8%)
Average Percent ²	29.2%	55.6%	42.5%	54.4%	46.3%
Exporter:					
Number	1	4	1	6	. 12
Responses Percent ¹	(1.0%)	(3.3%)	(2.2%)	(7.0%)	(3.4%)
Average Percent ²	20.0%	31.8%	75.0%	68.3%	52.7%
W/D:3					
Number	53	55	26	33	167
Responses Percent ¹	(50.5%)	(45.5%)	(57.8%)	(38.4%)	(46.8%)
Average Percent ²	23.7%	44.2%	30.7%	44.8%	35.7%
Processor:		-		2	
Number	8	19	2	10	39
Responses Percent ¹	(7.6%)	(15.7%)	(4.4%)	(11.6%)	(10.9%)
Average Percent ²	8.8%	44.8%	7.5%	62.4%	40.0%
Importer:					
Number	11	10	2	13	36
Responses Percent	(10.5%)	(8.3%)	(4.4%)	(15.1%)	(10.1%)
Average Percent ²	46.5%	47.2%	45.0%	56.5%	50.2%

Table 7. Business Classification by Region vs. Average (Mean) Percent Contribution of Shrimp Sales to Reported 1988 Seafood Sales (Continued).

Estimate the percent contributions of shrimp sales to your 1988 seafood sales?

Business Classification	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Region
Trader:					
Number	7	8	2	12	29
Responses Percent ¹	(6.7%)	(6.6%)	(4.4%)	(14.0%)	(8.1%)
Average Percent ²	39.3%	64.8%	50.0%	56.6%	54.2%
Retailer:					
Number	12	10	9	2	33
Responses Percent ¹	(11.4%)	(8.3%)	(20.0%)	(2.3%)	(9.2%)
Average Percent ²	31.2%	28.0%	17.2%	52.5%	27.7%
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Others:					
Number	2	2	1	1	6
Responses Percent ¹	(1.9%)	(1.7%)	(2.2%)	(1.2%)	(1.7%)
Average Percent ²	20.5%	42.5%	5.0%	20.0%	25.2%
irerage rerecite	20.50	12.50	5.00	20.00	23.20
Grand Total4					
Number	105	121	45	86	357
Responses Percent	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)
Average Percent	27.3%	45.3%	29.4%	52.8%	39.8%

The percent of responses, "Number", compared to the "Grand Total" of the column.

²Average of reported shrimp sales percent by outlet.

Wholesaler/Distributor

[&]quot;Combined totals from the Northeast, South, Midwest, and West Region columns.

Note: There were multiple responses to the business classification question. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

Table 8. Business Classification by Region vs.
Reported Purchases of U.S. Farmed Marine
Shrimp, 1989.

During the last 12 months did you purchase marine shrimp farmed in the U.S.?

BC ¹	Inca	"Yes"		"No"		Don't	Tot	al conses ²
Northeast	:	MIN-Salver III						
W/D^3	13	14.8%	68	77.3%	7	8.0%	88	50.0%
Processor	4	30.8%	9	69.2%	0	0.0%	13	7.4%
Retailer	3	15.0%	15	75.0%	2	10.0%	20	11.4%
"Other"	21	38.2%	31	56.4%	3	5.5%	55	31.3%
Total	41	23.3%	123	69.9%	12	6.8%	176	100.0%
South:								
W/D^3	28	30.4%	57	62.0%	7	7.6%	92	41.3%
Processor	12	29.3%	27	65.9%	2	4.9%	41	18.4%
Retailer	3	18.8%	12	75.0%	1	6.3%	16	7.2%
"Other"4	40	54.1%	30	40.5%	4	5.4%	74	33.2%
Total	83	37.2%	126	56.5%	14	6.3%	223	100.0%
Midwest:								
W/D^3	13	36.1%	21	58.3%	2	5.6%	36	56.3%
Processor	3	75.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	4	6.3%
Retailer	5	45.5%	4	36.4%	2	18.2%	11	17.2%
"Other"4	9	69.2%	4	30.8%	0	0.0%	13	20.3%
Total	30	46.9%	30	46.9%	4	6.3%	64	100.0%
West:								
W/D^3	19	35.2%	31	57.4%	4	7.4%	54	31.2%
Processor	10	47.6%	9	42.9%	2	9.5%	21	12.1%
Retailer	1	20.0%	3	60.0%	1	20.0%	5	2.9%
"Other"4	34	36.6%	55	59.1%	4	4.3%	93	53.8%
Total	64	37.0%	98	56.6%	11	6.4%	173	100.0%
Grand Total ⁵	218	34.3%	377	59.3%	41	6.4%	636	100.0%

¹Business Classification

²Column percentage based on "Grand Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across row".

Wholesaler/Distributor

⁴Brokers, Exporters, Importers, Traders and Others ⁵Combined totals from the Northeast, South, Midwest and West regions.

Note: There where multiple responses to the business classification questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

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Shrimp, 1989.

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BC ¹		"Yes"		"No"	Kr	now"	Resp	onses
Northeast	:							
W/D3	13	14.8%	68	77.3%	7	8.0%	88	50.0%
Processor	4	30.8%	9	69.2%	0	0.0%	13	7.48
Retailer	3	15.0%	15	75.0%	2	10.0%	20	11.4%
"Other"4	21	38.2%	31	56.4%	3	5.5%	55	31.3%
Total	41	23.3%	123	69.9%	12	6.8%	176	100.0%
South:							524,035	
W/D3	28	30.4%	57	62.0%	7	7.6%	92	41.3%
Processor	12	29.3%	27	65.9%	2	4.9%	41	18.4%
Retailer	3	18.8%	12	75.0%	1	6.3%	16	7.2%
"Other"4	40	54.1%	30	40.5%	4	5.4%	74	33.2%
Total	83	37.2%	126	56.5%	14	6.3%	223	100.0%
Midwest:								
W/D3	13	36.1%	21	58.3%	2	5.6%	36	56.3%
Processor	3	75.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	4	6.3%
Retailer	5	45.5%	4	36.4%	2	18.2%	11	17.2%
"Other"	9	69.2%	4	30.8%	0		13	20.3%
Total	30	46.9%	30	46.9%	4	6.3%	64	100.0%
West:								
W/D^3	19	35.2%	31	57.4%	4	7.4%	54	31.2%
Processor	10	47.6%	9	42.9%	2	9.5%	21	12.1%
Retailer	1	20.0%	3	60.0%	1	20.0%	5	2.9%
"Other"4	34	36.6%	55	59.1%	4	4.3%	93	53.8%
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Business Classification

²Column percentage based on "Grand Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across row".

Wholesaler/Distributor

Brokers, Exporters, Importers, Traders and Others
Combined totals from the Northeast, South, Midwest and
West regions.

Note: There where multiple responses to the business classification questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

greater than 50 (3.3%) (Table 10). Responses suggest that headson shrimp buyers are generally not interested in purchasing
shrimp counting fifty or more per pound. In addition, the
highest percentage for four count ranges was in the 16-30 count
range (Table 10). The highest number of responses regardless of
count size was recorded for fresh heads-on shrimp (Table 10).

IQF shrimp products had second highest number of total responses
(Table 10).

the largest group responding to this survey, had the highest percentage response rate in the 16-30 count range (excluding the "All Major Counts category) (Table 11). For wholesalers/distributors, fresh heads-on shrimp had the highest total response rate, 42%, followed by IQF whole shrimp (Table 11).

When asked to indicated desired monthly quantities (pounds) of heads-on shrimp, 40.7% chose fresh, 40.0% IQF and 19.3% frozen (Table 12). Average monthly quantities desired were the highest for IQF shrimp (Fig. 3). Buyers in the South region had the highest response rate to this question and the highest mean quantity desired (Table 12).

The mail survey results are generally consistent with recent observations on the marketing of cultured marine shrimp in South Carolina. For example in 1990, the major buyer of S.C. cultured shrimp was a Gulf wholesaler purchasing fresh, heads-on, mainly 16-30 count shrimp (heads-on) in 20,000 to 40,000 pound quantities. In contrast, some of the firms in the South Region responding to this question were probably shrimp handlers

in the Gulf and South Atlantic States willing to pay only ex-vessel prices.

Estimates of Whole Marine Demand

Crude estimates of the number of U.S. wholesalers or distributors interested in purchasing whole marine shrimp were prepared based upon response rates by region and the percent of respondents claiming to be interested in purchasing whole shrimp (Table 13). Based upon these estimates, the highest number of whole marine shrimp buyers are in the South Region, 166, followed by the Northeast Region, 145. As previously discussed, some of the wholesalers in the South Region are probably dependent upon purchasing shrimp directly from shrimp trawlers.

Figure 2. U.S. Farmed Marine Shrimp Products Desired by Respondents, 1989.

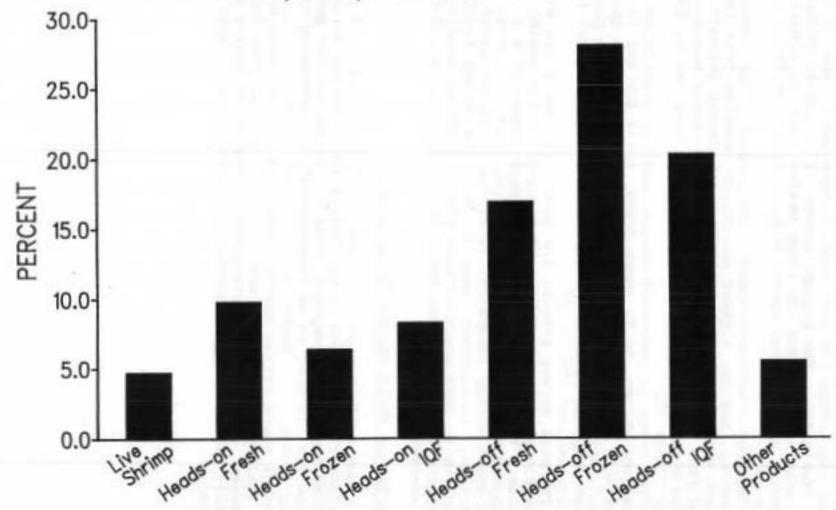


Table 10. Desired Count Sizes of Selected Heads-on Shrimp from White Marine Shrimp Cultured in the U.S.

Responses Regardless of Business Classification

Heads-On Product Form									
Count Sizes		IQF		Fresh		Frozen	7.0	All Product	
U-15	9	(16.1%)	20	(25.3%)	8	(17.8%)	37	(20.6%)	
16-30	16	(28.6%)	26	(32.9%)	14	(31.1%)	56	(31.1%)	
31-50	10	(17.9%)	12	(15.2%)	8	(17.8%)	30	(16.7%)	
>50	2	(3.6%)	2	(2.5%)	2	(4.4%)	6	(3.3%)	
All ¹	19	(33.9%)	19	(24.1%)	13	(28.8%)	51	(28.3%)	
Total ²	56	(31.1%)	79	(43.9%)	45	(25.0%)	180	(100.0%)	

All major counts wanted.

The totals in Table 5 are <u>not</u> consistent with totals in Table 6, due to multiple business classification responses and/or non-responses to a given question.

Note: There were multiple responses to this question.

Note: There were multiple responses to this question. Percentages were calculated based upon totals for a given column except for "Total" category row. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0%

due to rounding error.

Total

W/D1

Heads-on, Frozen:

Processor

Retailer

"Other"2

Grand Total3

Total

Table 11. Count Size Preferences for Selected Heads-on Marine Shrimp Products, 1989.

Business Classification		U-15		16-30		31-50	;	>50		Major nts Want	Tot	al ponses
Heads-on, IQF:		(10 68)		/20 /81		(10 64)	2	/4 281	10	/25 181		
W/D1	9	(19.6%)	14	(30.4%)	9	(19.6%)	2	(4.3%)	12	(26.1%)	46	(15.5%)
Processor	0	(0.0%)	1	(10.0%)	2	(20.0%)	0	(0.0%)	7	(70.0%)	10	(3.4%)
Retailer	2	(25.0%)	1	(12.5%)	1	(12.5%)	0	(0.0%)	4	(50.0%)	8	(2.7%)
"Other"2	3	(11.5%)	4	(15.4%)	3	(11.5%)	0	(0.0%)	16	(61.5%)	26	(8.7%)
Total	14	(15.6%)	20	(22.2%)	15	(16.7%)	2	(2.2%)	39	(43.3%)	90	(30.3%)
Heads-on, Fresh:		18.000				Contract Con		THE ROPERT		*******		******
W/D1	18	(26.1%)	23	(33.3%)	11	(15.9%)	2	(2.9%)	15	(21.7%)	69	(23.2%)
Processor	2	(16.7%)	3	(25.0%)	0	(0.0%)	0	(0.0%)	7	(58.3%)	12	(4.0%)
Retailer	3	(23.1%)	5	(38.5%)	2	(15.4%)	0	(0.0%)	3	(23.1%)	13	(4.4%)
"Other"2	5	(16.7%)	.10	(33.3%)	4	(13.3%)	0	(0.0%)	11	(36.7%)	30	(10.1%)

(13.7%)

(21.1%)

(10.0%)

(18.8%)

(18.1%)

(15.8%)

(0.0%)

2 (1.6%)

3 (7.9%)

0 (0.0%)

0 (0.0%)

0 (0.0%)

3 (3.6%)

7 (2.4%) - 106

30

124

38

10

32

83

297

3

(41.81)

(12.8%)

(3.4%)

(1.0%)

(10.8%)

(27.91)

(100.0%)

(29.0%)

(23.7%)

(70.0%)

(33.3%)

(43.8%)

(37.3%)

(35.7%)

36

31

If you are interested in white shrimp culture in the U.S., indicate desired counts?

Wholesaler/Distributor

²Brokers, Exporters, Importers, Traders and Others

28 (22.6%)

7 (18.4%)

11 (13.3%)

53 (17.8%)

(10.0%)

(33.3%)

(6.3%)

3Combined totals from Heads-on IQF, fresh and frozen

"Column percentage based on "Grand Total" for this column, "Total Responses".

41 (33.1%) 17

11 (28.9%)

1 (10.0%)

1 (33.3%)

23 (27.7%) 15

84 (28.3%) 47

10 (31.3%)

Note: There were multiple responses to these questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

Table 12. Desired Monthly Quantities of Selected U.S. Cultured Heads-on White Shrimp Products by Region, 1989.

If interested in heads-on shrimp... quantities desired?

	Fresh	Frozen	IQF
Northeast:			
Number	6	1	1
Percent [†]	35.4%	3.1%	61.5%
Mean	958	500	10,000
Total	5,750	500	10,000
Midwest:			
Number	5	5	3
Percent ¹	33.6%	48.9%	17.6%
Mean	880	1,280	767
Total	4,400	6,400	2,300
South:			
Number	20	8	19
Percent ¹	43.8%	13.3%	42.8%
Mean	43,970	33,437	45,200
Total	879,400	267,500	858,800
West:			
Number	15	12	9
Percent ¹	25.3%	48.8%	25.9%
Mean	6,843	16,467	11,667
Total	102,650	197,600	105,000
Grand Total ²			
Number	46	26	32
Percent ³	40.7%	19.3%	40.0%
Mean	21,569	18,154	30,503
Total	992,200	472,000	976,100

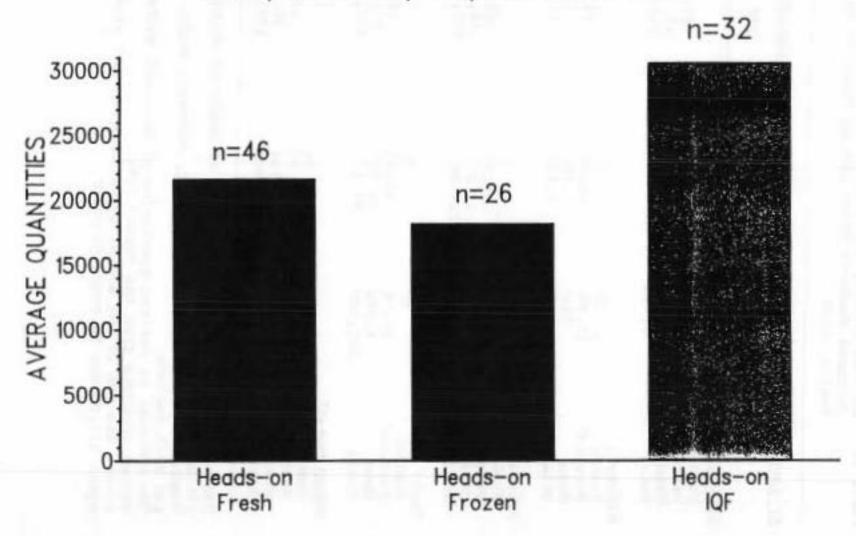
¹Percentages of desired quantities of heads-on white shrimp products in each region.

Note: The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

²Combined totals from the Northeast, Midwest, South and West regions.

Percentages of desired quantities of heads-on white shrimp products from the "Grand Total"

Figure 3. Reported Monthly Quantities (pounds) of U.S. Farmed Shrimp Desired by Respondents, 1989



Simple estimates of the whole marine shrimp "desired" by the wholesale sector in the U.S. were generated (Table 14) based upon the number of estimated buyers (Table 13) and the quantities "desired" by buyers in the Midwest Region (Table 12). The Midwest Region averages were used in order to minimize the possibility of overestimating the aggregate quantities desired. In addition, quantities desired by respondents in the South Region may have been influenced by the desire of wholesalers to purchase large quantities of heads-on shrimp at ex-vessel "spot" market prices. Most S.C. shrimp farmers have been able to target buyers (e.g., secondary wholesalers, distributors, etc.) willing to pay prices substantially higher than local ex-vessel prices.

Seasonal quantities desired was extrapolated by multiplying the monthly estimates by three (3) months. A three month period was used in order to provide a conservative estimate of U.S. demand. Most farms in the continental U.S. usually have only a three month Fall harvest "window" for market size shrimp. Important exceptions would include U.S. farms located in Hawaii and Puerto Rico plus farms freezing and warehousing

their own production.

The "Midpoint" estimate (Table 14) of whole U.S. farmed shrimp desired by wholesalers and distributors is near 7.3 million pounds or only about 1% of the total 1989 reported U.S. supply (NMFS, 1990), 743.3 million pounds (heads-off weight equivalent). The quantities estimated in Table 14 are intended to approximate the aggregate latent demand for whole U.S. farmed marine shrimp by U.S. wholesalers and and others in the market channel in 1989. Among other factors, this estimation assumes that a significant number of the responding buyers were really interested in purchasing whole U.S. farmed shrimp but were unable to find suppliers (e.g. Louisiana handlers) at acceptable prices for both buyers and sellers. The actual usage of domestic fresh whole shrimp in the U.S. wholesale and processing sector regardless of the source is substantially higher than the 2.2 million pounds (about 9 million pounds when projected over a 12 month period) estimated in this report (Table 14). Roberts and Pawlyk (1986) estimated that Louisiana processors and handlers alone sold about 19 million pounds of whole ("heads-on") shrimp to wholesalers and processors during 1984.

There are several other major limitations to these projections besides the statistical validity of the estimates when trying to determine the latent demand for U.S. farmed shrimp. For example, the prices that wholesalers and distributors are willing to pay for U.S. farmed shrimp have not been addressed. In addition, this survey only represents a

Table 13. Estimated Total Number of U.S. Seafood Wholesalers or Distributors Willing to Purchase Whole ("Heads-on") Marine Shrimp in 1989.

Estimated Number of Wholesalers/Distributors: 1 Region

Northeast	Midwest	South	West	All Regions
806	306	739	672	2,522

Percent "Interested" in Purchasing U.S. Farmed Shrimp: Region

Northeast	Midwest	South	West	All Regions
36%	61%	45%	40%	50%

Unadjusted Estimated Number of Whole Marine U.S. Farmed Shrimp Buyers:

Region

Northeast	Midwest	South	West	All Regions
291	185	332	270	1,078

"Adjusted" for Biased Response:2

Region

Northeast	Midwest	South	West	All Regions
145	93	166	135	539

¹Estimated number of wholesalers or distributors based upon number of mailings per region (Table 1) and percentage of businesses classified as wholesalers or distributors (Table 3). ²Assuming that wholesalers and distributors interested in purchasing shrimp were more likely to respond to this survey, the number of buyers was reduced by 50%.

Table 14. Estimated Aggregate Quantities of Whole Marine ("Heads-on") Shrimp "Desired" by U.S. Seafood Wholesalers or Distributors, 1989 (In Thousands of Pounds).

		"LOW	" ESTIMATE1		
	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	All Region
Monthly, Lbs.:	TIBETTY	30	183566	692	Name of the last o
Fresh:	131	84	149	122	486
Frozen:	189	121	216	176	702
IQF:	116	74	133	108	431
All Forms:	436	279	498	406	1,619
Seasonal Estimate ²	1,308	837	1,494	1,218	4,857
Monthly, Lbs.:	"HIGH	" ESTIMATE (Two times t	he "LOW" E	stimate)
Fresh:	262	168	298	244	972
Frozen:	378	242	432	352	1,404
IQF:	232	148	266	216	862
All Forms:	872	558	996	812	3,238
Seasonal Estimate ²	2,616	1,674	2,988	2,436	9,714
Monthly, Lbs.:		"MID	POINT" ESTI	MATE	
Fresh:	197	126	224	183	730
Frozen:	284	182	324	264	1,054
IQF:	174	111	200	162	647
All Forms:	655	419	748	609	2,431
Seasonal Estimate ² :		(IN	THOUSANDS)		
Fresh:	591	378	672	549	2,190
Frozen:	852	546	972	792	3,162
IQF:	522	333	600	486	1,941
All Forms:	1,965	1,257	2,244	1,827	7,293

¹The Midwest Region quantities "desired" (Table 12) were used in the "Low" estimate. ²"Seasonal" estimates were 3 times the monthly estimate.

"snapshot" of the U.S. shrimp market in the summer of 1989. If restaurant purchases of shrimp did decrease in the future due to perhaps the U.S. economic recession, then these aggregate demand estimates may need to be decreased.

Conclusions

Although heads-off (headless) marine shrimp is obviously the dominant product form in the U.S. wholesale market, there appears to some willingness to purchase whole (heads-on) marine shrimp products. It is estimated that the nominal latent demand for U.S. farmed marine shrimp by U.S. wholesalers and distributors may range between .5 to 1 million pounds per month. In 1990, S.C. commercial shrimp farmers were able to sell over 600,000 pounds of fresh whole shrimp to wholesale buyers in about a 60 day period at prices higher than the equivalent S.C. ex-vessel prices⁵. Consequently, the S.C. marketing experience appears to be consistent with the demand levels estimated in this report.

This report indicates that there are several problems confronting U.S. farms wanting to target whole marine shrimp buyers in the U.S. wholesaler sector. The most obvious is the dominance of heads-off shrimp in the wholesale sector. Even when buyers expressed interest in purchasing heads-on shrimp, it is assumed that many still wanted to process them into various heads-off product forms. In addition, buyers may be generally

indifferent to the actual source of the whole shrimp.

The apparent latent demand for frozen and IQF whole shrimp should be considered by U.S. shrimp farms. Unfortunately, these are product forms that would appear to be the most vulnerable to other competitors like U.S. processors and/or foreign producers. For example, it appears that Latin American shrimp farmers would not have any major difficulties in marketing competitively priced heads-on IQF shrimp in the U.S. Fresh heads-on shrimp marketing may be vulnerable to competition from domestic shrimp fisheries. The live shrimp market segment in the U.S. may warrant additional research as a potential outlet to supplement sales of U.S. farms. Live shrimp would at least be a product form generally isolated from import competition and probably much of the U.S. wild shrimp production. The characteristics of the U.S. live shrimp market segment needs to be investigated.

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These higher prices may <u>not</u> necessarily be indicative of perceived higher quality (e.g., freshness, taste, etc.) for S.C. farmed shrimp by buyers. In some cases, higher prices were received due to "by passing" others in the market channel.

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Table 1A. Geographic Location of Respondents, 1989.

	Number of Mail-outs	Number of Respondents		of Usable nnaires ¹
Alabama	92	6	6	(1.5%)
Alaska	45	2	2	(0.5%)
Arizona	40	3	3	(0.8%)
Arkansas	16	2	2	(0.5%)
California	705	43	43	(10.9%)
Colorado	40	3	3	(0.8%)
Connecticut	78	4	4	(1.0%)
Delaware	21	2	2	(0.5%)
Dist. of Columb		3	3	(0.8%)
Florida	741	53	53	(13.5%)
Georgia	119	13	12	(3.1%)
Hawaii	84	5	5	(1.3%)
Idaho	20	1	1	(0.3%)
Illinois	139	13	12	(3.1%)
Indiana	25	1	1	(0.3%)
Iowa	20	3	3	(0.8%)
Kansas	14	i	1	(0.3%)
Kentucky	20	3	3	(0.8%)
Louisiana	265	22	22	(5.6%)
Maine	200	9	9	(2.3%)
Maryland	193	18	18	(4.6%)
Massachusetts	384	11	11	(2.8%)
Michigan	97	6	- 6	(1.5%)
Minnesota	48	5	5	(1.3%)
Mississippi	60	5	5	(1.3%)
Missouri	43	í	1	(0.3%)
Montana	14	2	2	(0.5%)
Nebraska	6	í	1	(0.3%)
Nevada	3	î	1	(0.3%)
New Hampshire	39	î	î	(0.3%)
New Jersey	234	21	19	(4.8%)
New Mexico	14	2	2	(0.5%)
New York	557	27	27	(6.9%)
North Carolina	179	19	18	(4.6%)
			1	(0.3%)
North Dakota	3 67	1		
Ohio		8 2 3	8 2	(2.0%)
Oklahoma	12	2	3	(0.5%)
Oregon	75			(0.8%)
Pennsylvania	177	25	25	(6.4%)

Table 11. Geographic Location of Respondents, 1989 (continued).

State			Number of Respondents		of Usable nnaires'
Rhode	Island	9 5	3	3	(0.8%)
	Carolina	76	0	0	(0.0%)
South	Dakota	0	0	0	(0.0%)
Tenness	see	34	0	0	(0.0%)
Texas		267	18	18	(4.6%)
Utah		23	1	1	(0.3%)
Vermont	t	13	0	0	(0.0%)
Virgini	ia	215	13,	13	(3.3%)
Washing West V	gton .	337	9	8	(2.0%)
West V	irginia	6	0	0	(0.0%)
Wiscons	sin	73	4	4	(1.0%)
Wyoming	3	6	0	0	(0.0%)
Total		6,054	399	393	100.0%

^{&#}x27;Two or more questions other than the mailing address.

Table 2A. The Respondent's Classification of Business by State, 1989.

State		Business Classification												
Abbreviation	Br	oker	Exporter		1	W/D1		cessor	Importer		Trader		Ret	ailer
MA	2	7.7%	2	7.7%	9	34.6%	2	7.7%	2	7.78	3	11.5%	1	3.88
RI	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	2	50.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09
NH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.08
ME	1	9.1%	0	0.0%	7	63.6%	3	27.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.08
VT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.08
CT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	33.3%	1	16.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	33.38
NJ	3	10.0%	1	3.3%	13	43.3%	1	3.3%	2	6.78	1	3.3%	4	13.3%
NY	3	5.2%	0	0.0%	20	34.5%	0	0.0%	9	15.5%	7	12.1%	3	5.2%
PA	2	6.3%	0	0.0%	23	71.9%	0	0.0%	2	6.3%	0	0.0%	3	9.48
DE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
DC	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	75.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%
MD	2	7.4%	0	0.0%	11	40.7%	3	11.1%	2	7.4%	1	3.7%	4	14.8%
VA	4	25.0%	1	6.3%	7	43.8%	2	12.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	12.5%
WV	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
NC	2	9.1%	0	0.0%	12	54.5%	5	22.7%	0	0.0%	1	4.5%	1	4.5%
SC	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GA	0	0.0%	2	11.8%	9	52.9%	3	17.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	17.6%
FL	13	9.9%	5	3.8%	43	32.8%	18	13.7%	12	9.2%	8	6.1%	9	6.98
AL	1	5.9%	1	5.9%	3	17.6%	3	17.6%	1	5.9%	2	11.8%	1	5.9%
TN	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.08
MS	1	14.3%	0	0.0%	4	57.1%	2	28.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KY	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	75.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.08

Table 2A. The Respondent's Classification of Business by State, 1989 (Continued).

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State		-				Business							-	
Abbreviation		Broker		Exporter	1	W/D1		cessor	Impo	rter	Trader		Reta:	ller
OH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	57.1%	1	7.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	35.78
IN	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
MI	1	6.7%	1	6.7%	6	40.0%	1	6.7%	2	13.3%	1	6.7%	0	0.08
IA	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	60.0%	1	20.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	20.0%
WI	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.08
MN	1	11.1%	0	0.0%	2	22.2%	1	11.1%	1	11.1%	1	11.1%	1	11.14
SD	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	80.0	0	0.09
ND	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.01
MT	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	80.0	0	0.08
IL	1	5.3%	0	0.0%	8	42.1%	0	0.0%	1	5.3%	1	5.39	5	26.38
MO	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09	0	0.01
KS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.01	0	0.01
NE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.01	0	0.0%
LA	2	5.4%	3	8.1%	17	45.9%	10	27.0%	2	5.4%	0	0.01	1	2.78
AR	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09	1	33.38
OK	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.04	1	33.34
TX	3	10.0%	0	0.0%	12	40.0%	6	20.0%	1	3.3%	2	6.79	1 2	6.78
CO	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	2	66.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09	0	0.04
WY	0	.0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	. 0	0.01	0	0.01
ID	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.09	0	0.01
UT	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.01	0	0.01
AZ	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	12.5%	1	12.5%	2	25.0%	1	12.5	0	0.01
NM	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	. 0	0.0	k 0	0.01

Table 2A. The Respondent's Classification of Business by State, 1989 (Continued).

State						Busines	s Cl	assific	ation					
Abbreviation		Broker	E	xporter	orter			Processor		ter '	Frade	er	Retailer	
NV	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.01
CA	15	11.9%	11	8.7%	28	22.2%	8	6.3%	20	15.9%	11	8.7%	1	0.84
HI	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	18.2%	1	9.1%	2	18.2%	2	18.2%	0	0.08
OR	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WA	1	8.3%	2	16.7%	4	33.3%	3	25.0%	1	8.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.08
AK	1	11.1%	1	11.1%	0	0.0%	2	22.2%	1	11.1%	1	11.1%	1	11.18
Total	64	8.7%	31	1 4.2%	284	38.4%	80	10.8%	63	8.5%	43	5.8%	54	7.38

Table 2A. The Respondent's Classification of Business by State, 1989 (Continued).

State		Business Cl	assificatio	n .
Abbreviation		Others	Tot	al Responses ²
MA	0	0.0%	26	3.5%
RI	0	0.0%	4	0.5%
NH	0	0.0%	2	0.3%
ME	0	0.0%	11	1.5%
VT	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
CT	2	16.7%	6	0.8%
NJ	0	6.7%	30	4.1%
NY	0	0.0%	58	7.8%
PA	0	0.0%	32	4.3%
DE	0	0.0%	2	0.3%
DC	1	0.0%	4	0.5%
MD	0	3.7%	27	3.7%
VA	0	0.0%	16	2.2%
WV	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
NC	0	0.0%	22	3.0%
sc	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GA	3	0.0%	17	2.3%
FL	2	2.3%	131	17.7%
AL	ō	11.8%	17	2.3%
TN	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	0	0.0%	7	0.9%
MS		0.0%	4	0.5%
KY	0	0.0%	14	1.9%
OH		0.0%	1	0.1%
IN	0		15	2.0%
MI	0	0.0%	5	0.7%
IA	0	0.0%	4	0.5%
WI	0	0.0%		1.2%
MN	0	0.0%	9	
SD	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
ND	0	0.0%	1	0.1%
MT	1	0.0%	2	0.3%
IL	0	5.3%	19	2.6%
MO	0	0.0%	1	0.1%
KS	0	0.0%	1	0.1%
NE	0	0.0%		0.1%
LA	0	0.0%	37	5.0%
AR		0.0%	3	0.4%
OK	1	33.3%	3	0.4%
TX	0	3.3%	30	4.1%
co	0	0.0%	3	0.4%
WY	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
ID	0	0.0%	1	0.1%
UT	0	0.0%	1	0.1%

Table 2A. The Respondent's Classification of Business by State, 1989 (Continued).

State	Business Classification								
Abbreviation	Oth	ers		Responses					
AZ	0	0.0%	8	1.1%					
NM	0	0.0%	2	0.3%					
NV	1	0.0%	1	0.1%					
CA	0	0.8%	126	17.1%					
HI	1	0.0%	11	1.5%					
OR	0	33.3%	3	0.4%					
WA	0	0.0%	12	1.6%					
AK	0	0.0%	9	1.2%					
Total	14	1.9%	739	100.0%					

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²Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows. Note: There were multiple responses to the business classification questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

Table 3A. Classification of Customer Location vs. Business Type, 1989.

Business Only Ir Type State			Only Adjacent States ²		Other States ³		In State & Only Adjacent States ⁴		In State & Other States ⁵		Total Response	
Broker	16	39.0%	3	7.3%	2	4.9%	10	24.4%	10	24.4%	41	8.29
Exporter	3	37.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	62.5%	8	1.6
W/D^7	128	53.3%	4	1.7%	8	3.3%	78	32.5%	22	9.2%	240	48.39
Processor	15	31.9%	4	8.5%	8	17.0%	11	23.4%	9	19.1%	47	9.58
Importer	10	29.4%	1	2.9%	1	2.9%	7	20.6%	15	44.1%	34	6.89
Trader	9	47.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	26.3%	5	26.3%	19	3.88
Retailer	40	81.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	12.2%	3	6.1%	49	9.91
Others	44	74.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	15.3%	6	10.2%	59	11.99
Total	265	53.3%	12	2.4%	19	3.8%	126	25.4%	75	15.1%	497	100.0

1"Only In State"-Customers are only in the business address state of the respondent.
2"Only Adjacent State"-Customers are only in states bordering business address state of the respondent.

3"Other States"-Customers are a combination of bordering and non-bordering States.

4"In State & Only Adjacent States"-Combination of customers in state and only adjacent (bordering) states.

5"In State & Other States"-Combination of customers in state and from other states with at

least one state not a border state.

⁶Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" the row.

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Table 4A. Location (Region) of the Business with "In State & Other States" Customers, 1989.1

B/C ²	N	orthea	st	South		Midwes	st	West	-	otal sponses³
Broker	3	30.0%	5	50.0%	0	0.0%	2	20.0%	10	13.2%
Exporter	1	20.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	80.0%	5	6.6%
W/D ⁴	5	21.7%	13	56.5%	2	8.7%	3	13.0%	23	30.3%
Processor	. 0	0.0%	5	55.6%	1	11.1%	3	33.3%	9	11.8%
Importer	4	26.7%	4	26.7%	1	6.7%	6	40.0%	15	19.7%
Trader	1	20.0%	2	40.0%	0	0.0%	2	40.0%	5	6.6%
Retailer	0	0.0%	4	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	5.3%
Others	1	20.0%	4	80.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	6.6%
Total	15	19.7%	37	48.7%	4	5.3%	20	26.3%	76	100.0%

^{1&}quot;In State and Other States"-combination of customers in state and from other states with at least one state not a border state.

²Business Classification

'Wholesaler/Distributor

³Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

Table 5A. Location (Region) of the Business with "In State and Only Adjacent States" Customers, 1989.

B/C ²	Northeast			South		Midwest		ess lest	Total Responses ³		
Broker	4	40.0%	3	30.0%	0	0.0%	3	30.0%	10	8.3%	
Exporter	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
W/D4	42	54.5%	22	28.6%	6	7.8%	7	9.1%	77	64.2%	
Processor	: 3	25.0%	8	66.7%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%	12	10.0%	
Importer	6	85.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	14.3%	7	5.8%	
Trader	2	40.0%	1	20.0%	1	20.0%	1	20.0%	5	4.2%	
Retailer	2	33.3%	1	16.7%	2	33.3%	1	16.7%	6	5.0%	
Others	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	1	33.3%	1	33.3%	3	2.5%	
Total	59	49.2%	36	30.0%	10	8.3%	15	12.5%	120	100.0%	

[&]quot;In State and Only Adjacent States"-Combination of in state and only adjacent (bordering) states.

Business Classification

Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

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Table 6A. Location (Region) of the Business with "Other States" Customers, 1989.

B/C ²	Northeast			South		Midwest		West	Total Responses3		
Broker	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	2	10.5%	
Exporter	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
W/D4	3	37.5%	5	62.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	2.1%	
Processo	. 0	0.0%	4	50.0%	0	0.0%	4	50.0%	8	42.1%	
Importer	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1	5.3%	
Trader	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Retailer	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Total	4	21.1%	9	47.4%	0	0.0%	6	31.6%	19	100.0%	

^{&#}x27;"Other States"-Customers are a combination of bordering and non-bordering states.

²Business Classification

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³Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

Table 7A. Location (Region) of the Business with "Only Adjacent States" Customers, 1989.

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B/C ²	Nort	heast		South		dwest		lest	Responses ³		
Broker	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Exporter	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
W/D ⁴	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Processon	32	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Importer	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	
Trader	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Retailer	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Total	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	

"Only Adjacent State"-Customers are only in states bordering business address state of the respondent.

²Business Classification

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Column percentage based on "Total" for this column,
"Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated
"across" rows.

Table 8A. Location (Region) of the Business with Only In State" Customers, 1989.

B/C2	Nor	theast		egion outh		the dwest		<u>ine</u> ss Test	Tot Res _]	al ponses³
Broker Exporter W/D4 Processor Importer Trader Retailer	38	0.0% 29.7% 13.3% 10.0% 33.3%		37.5% 0.0% 25.0% 40.0% 10.0% 22.2% 25.0%	2 1 26 2 1 1	12.5% 33.3% 20.3% 13.3% 10.0% 11.1% 25.0%	6 2 3 2 5 7 3 2	37.5% 66.7% 25.0% 33.3% 70.0% 33.3% 5.0%	16 3 128 15 10 9	7.1% 1.3% 56.6% 6.6% 4.4% 4.0% 17.7%
Others Total	<u>3</u> 67	60.0% 29.6%	<u>1</u> 58	20.0% 25.7%	43	0.0% 19.0%	<u>1</u> 58	20.0% 25.7%	<u>5</u> 226	2.2% 100.0%

^{&#}x27;"Only In State"-Customers are only in the business address state of the respondent. 2Business Classification

³Column percentage based on ''Total'' for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

Table 9A. Classification of Customer Relative to the Mississippi River vs. Business Type, 1989.

Business Classification		& West Issippi	East	rs' <u>Locatio</u> Issippi r	West	issippi r	Tot	al ponse ¹
Broker	21	33.3%	26	41.3%	16	25.4%	63	10.6%
Exporter	14	58.3%	5	20.8%	5	20.8%	24	4.0%
W/D ²	52	19.0%	168	61.5%	53	19.4%	273	45.78
Processor	32	42.7%	33	44.0%	10	13.3%	75	12.6%
Importer	27	48.2%	19	33.9%	10	17.9%	56	9.4%
Trader	18	45.0%	14	35.0%	8	20.0%	40	6.7%
Retailer	4	7.5%	41	77.4%	8	15.1%	53	8.9%
Others	3	23.1%	7	53.8%	3	23.1%	13	2.2%
Total	171	28.6%	313	52.4%	113	18.9%	597	100.0%

Column percentage based on "Grand Total" for this column, "Total Response".

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Table 10A. Location (Region) of the Business with Customers <u>East</u> of the Mississippi River, 1989.

Business			-	gion of t						
Classification	Nort	theast	S	outh	M	idwest	Wes	st	All I	Region ¹
Broker	13	50.0%	12	46.2%	1	3.8%	0	0.0%	26	7.5%
Exporter	1	20.0%	3	60.0%	1	20.0%	0	0.0%	5	1.4%
W/D^2	125	61.3%	54	26.5%	25	12.3%	0	0.0%	204	58.8%
Processor	10	30.3%	21	63.6%	1	3.0%	1	3.0%	33	9.5%
Importer	13	68.4%	5	26.3%	1	5.3%	0	0.0%	19	5.5%
Trader	8	57.1%	5	35.7%	1	7.1%	0	0.0%	14	4.0%
Retailer	20	51.3%	9	23.1%	10	25.6%	0	0.0%	39	11.2%
Others	3	42.9%	3	42.9%	1	14.3%	0	0.0%	7	2.0%
Total	193	55.6%	112	32.3%	41	11.8%	1	0.3%	347	

^{&#}x27;Column percentage based on "Grand Total" for this column, "Total Response".

²Wholesaler/Distributor

Table 11A. Location (Region) of the Business with Customers West of the Mississippi River, 1989.

Business Classification	N	ortheast	_	gion of outh		idwest	W	est	A11 1	Region ¹
Broker	1	6.3%	1	6.3%	3	18.8%	11	68.8%	16	15.1%
Exporter	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	100.0%	5	4.7%
W/D^2	3	6.7%	5	11.1%	7	15.6%	30	66.7%	45	42.5%
Processor	0	0.0%	1	10.0%	2	20.0%	7	70.0%	10	9.4%
Importer	1	10.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	90.0%	10	9.4%
Trader	1	16.7%	0	0.0%	1	16.7%	4	66.7%	6	5.7%
Retailer	0	0.0%	3	37.5%	2	25.0%	3	37.5%	8	7.5%
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	100.0%	6	5.7%
Total	6	5.7%	10	9.48	15	14.2%	75	70.8%	106	100.0%

Column percentage based on "Grand Total" for this column, "Total Response".

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Table 12A. Classification of Customer Relative to the Major Region vs. Interest in Purchasing Marine White Shrimp Farmed in the U.S.

		HILLES		and West				ers locate i River	THE .	
	No	rtheast	S	outh	М	idwest	W	est	A11	Region ¹
Yes	7	18.4%	20	52.6%	3	7.9%	8	21.18	38	47.5%
lo	4	40.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	60.0%	10	12.5%
Maybe	3	9.4%	16	50.0%	2	6.3%	11	34.48	32	40.0%
	14	17.5%	36	45.0%	5	6.3%	25	31.3%	80	100.0%
Total N&M ²	7	16.7%	16	38.1%	2	4.8%	17	40.5%	42	52.5%

Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

No and Maybe results combined

Table 12A. (Continued) Classification of Customer Relative to the Major Region vs.
Interest in Purchasing Marine White Shrimp Farmed in the U.S.

		HARE & S				ssippi R		s located	44	
	No	rtheast	(STATE LAND	South		Midwest		West	A11	Region
Yes	1	2.4%	5	12.2%	9	22.0%	26	63.4%	41	58.6%
lo	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	100.0%	3	4.3%
Maybe	0	0.0%	3	11.5%	. 1	3.8%	22	.84.6%	26	37.1%
Total	1	1.48	8	11.4%	10	14.3%	51	72.9%	70	100.0%
Total N&M ²	0	0.0%	3	10.3%	1	3.48	25	86.2%	29	41.4%

^{&#}x27;Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

Table 12A. (Continued) Classification of Customer Relative to the Major Region vs.
Interest in Purchasing Marine White Shrimp Farmed in the U.S.

		Where				f your cus issippi Ri		s locate	d?	
	Nor	theast		outh		idwest		est	All R	egion1
Yes	38	48.7%	27	34.6%	13	16.7%	0	0.0%	78	37.3%
No	16	61.5%	9	34.6%	0	0.0%	1	3.8%	26	12.4%
Maybe	57	54.3%	35	33.3%	13	12.4%	0	0.0%	105	50.2%
Total	111	53.1%	71	34.0%	26	12.4%	1	0.5%	209	100.0%
Total N&M ²	73	55.7%	44	33.6%	13	9.9%	1	0.8%	131	62.7%

¹Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

²No and Maybe results combined

Table 13A. Classification of Customer Location vs. Business Type, 1989.

B/C ¹		North America		USA Only		Europe	9	Asia	South America	Africa	,	A&O ²	I	nter.3	Tot	al sponses
Broker	3	23.1%	3	23.1%	0	0.0%	2	15.4%	1 7.7%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	4	30.8%	13	8.9%
Exporter	7	25.0%	3	10.7%	5	17.9%	9	32.1%	1 3.6%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	3	10.7%	28	19.2%
W/D5	11	34.4%	10	31.3%	3	9.48	4	12.5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	4	12.5%	32	21.9%
Processor	8	30.8%	4	15.4%	3	11.5%	6	23.1%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	5	19.2%	26	17.8%
Importer	10	34.5%	5	17.2%	4	13.8%	5	17.2%	1 3.4%	0 0.0%		0.0%	4	13.8%	29	19.9%
Trader	4	25.0%	3	18.8%	3	18.8%	2	12.5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	4	25.0%	16	11.0%
Retailer	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	1.4%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	44	30.1%	28	19.2%	18	12.3%	29	19.9%	3 2.1%	0 0.0%		0.0%	24	16.4%	146	100.0%

¹Business Classification

Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Responses". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

3"International" customers are customers in two or more continents (e.g. customers in Asia and North America).

4Australia & Oceania

5Wholesaler/Distributor

Table 14A. Location (Region) of the Business with "International" Customers, 1989.

Business				Region o	of the	Business				
Classification		Northeast		South	М	idwest		West	A11	Region ²
Broker	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	75.0%	4	16.0%
Exporter	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	100.0%	3	12.0%
W/D3	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	2	50.0%	4	16.03
Processor	1	20.0%	2	40.0%	0	0.0%	2	40.0%	5	20.0%
Importer	0	0.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	3	75.0%	4	16.08
Trader	0	0.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	3	75.0%	4	16.0%
Retailer	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	4.08
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.01
Total	3	12.0%	6	24.0%	0	0.0%	16	64.0%	25	100.0

"International" customers are customers in two or more continents (e.g. customers in Asia and North America).

²Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

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Table 15A. Location (Region) of the Business with "North America" Customers, 1989.

Business						the Busine				
Classification	No	ortheast	S	outh	M	idwest	W	est	All	Region 1
Broker	0	0.0%	2	66.7%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	3	6.8%
Exporter	1	14.3%	4	57.1%	0	0.0%	2	28.6%	7	15.9%
W/D ²	2	18.2%	7	63.6%	0	0.0%	2	18.2%	11	25.0%
Processor	1	16.7%	5	83.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	13.6%
Importer	1	10.0%	4	40.0%	1	10.0%	4	40.0%	10	22.7%
Trader	1	25.0%	2	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%	4	9.1%
Retailer	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	2	4.5%
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1	2.3%
Total	6	13.6%	25	56.8%	1	2.3%	12	27.3%	44	100.0%

'Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

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Table 16A. Location (Region) of the Business with "Asia" Customers, 1989.

Business		Market Mark Control of the P		- Indonesia		Business				
Classification	1	Northeast		South	М	idwest		West	All	Region ¹
Broker	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	2	7.1%
Exporter	1	11.1%	4	44.4%	0	0.0%	4	44.48	9	32.1%
W/D ²	0	0.0%	3	75.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%	4	14.3%
Processor	2	33.3%	3	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	16.7%	6	21.4%
Importer	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	2	7.1%
Trader	0	0.0%	. 1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	2	7.1%
Retailer	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	2	7.1%
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1	3.6%
Total	3	10.7%	13	46.4%	0	0.0%	12	42.9%	28	100.0%

^{&#}x27;Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

²Wholesaler/Distributor

Table 17A. Location (Region) of the Business with "Europe" Customers, 1989.

Business Classification		Northeast		Region of		<u>Business</u> Midwest	- 0	West	211	Region
Classification		NOT CHEASE		30uch		Tiuwest	37	rest	ALL	Kegion
Broker	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exporter	3	60.0%	1	20.0%	0	0.0%	1	20.0%	5	26.3%
W/D^2	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	4	21.1%
Processor	1	33.3%	1	- 33.3%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	3	15.8%
Importer	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	2	50.0%	4	21.1%
Trader	1	33.3%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	3	15.8%
Retailer	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	7	36.8%	5	26.3%	1	5.3%	6	31.6%	19	100.0%

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²Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

Table 18A. Location (Region) of the Business with "USA Only" Customers, 1989.

Business Classification	No	ortheast	Ç	<u>Res</u> South		the Busin idwest		Jest	All	Region'
Broker	0	0.0%	2	66.7% 66.7%	0	0.0% 0.0%	1	33.3% 33.3%	3	10.7% 10.7%
Exporter W/D	1	10.0%	5	50.7% 50.0%	0	0.0%	4	33.3% 40.0%	10	35.7%
Processor	1	25.0%	2	50.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%	4	14.3%
Importer	0	0.0%	3	60.0%	0	0.0%	2	40.0%	5	17.9%
Trader	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	2	66.7%	3	'10.7%
Retailer	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Others	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	2	7.1%	15	53.6%	0	0.0%	11	39.3%	28	100.0%

^{&#}x27;Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "All Region". All other percentages are calculated "across" rows.

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Table 19A. Reported Seafood Sales in 1988 vs. Average Percent Contribution of Shrimp Sales to Seafood Sales by Region.

		Region	of Business L	The state of the s	
Seafood Sales	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Regions
<\$5 Million:					
Number	54	49	21	25	149
Response Percent ¹	(74.0%)	(72.1%)	(67.7%)	(58.1%)	(69.3%)
Average Percent ²	94.7%	43.3%	29.8%	38.0%	59.1%
\$5-\$9.9 Million:					
Number	6	12	5	8	31
Response Percent ¹	(8.2%)	(17.6%)	(16.1%)	(18.6%)	(14.4%)
Average Percent ²	21.5%	56.8%	28.2%	58.5%	45.8%
\$10-\$14.9 Million:					
Number	8	4	2	4	18
Response Percent ¹	(11.0%)	(5.9%)	(6.5%)	(9.3%)	(8.4%)
Average Percent ²	28.0%	60.8%	27.5%	43.0%	38.6%
\$15-\$19.9 Million:					
Number	1	1	0	0	2
Response Percent ¹	(1.4%)	(1.5%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)	(0.9%)
Average Percent ²	5.0%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	15.0%
>\$20 Million:					
Number	4	2	3	6	15
Response Percent ¹	(5.5%)	(2.9%)	(9.7%)	(14.0%)	(7.0%)
Average Percent ²	36.8%	22.5%	12.0%	62.5%	40.2%

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Table 19A. Reported Seafood Sales in 1988 vs. Average Percent Contribution of Shrimp Sales to Seafood Sales by Region (Continued).

		Region	of Business La	ocation	
Seafood Sales	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Regions
Grand Total:3					
Number	73	68	31	43	215
Response Percent	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)
Average Percent	77.0%	45.8%	27.7%	45.7%	53.8%

The percent of responses, "Number", compared to the "Grand Total".

Average of reported shrimp sales percent by seafood sales volume.

Combined totals from the Northeast, South, Midwest, and West Region columns.

Note: The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

Table 20A. Respondent's Reported Sales Volume Level in 1988 by Region.

Sales Volume,			-			ss Locat				otal ,
Millions	No	rtheast	S	outh	М	idwest	W	est	Re	esponse ¹
<\$5	93	37.1%	81	32.3%	24	9.6%	53	21.1%	251	68.6%
\$5 to \$9.9	13	25.0%	17	32.7%	7	13.5%	15	28.8%	52	14.2%
\$10 to \$14.9	14	45.2%	7	22.6%	3	9.7%	7	22.6%	31	8.5%
\$15 to \$19.9	2	50.0%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%	1	25.0%	4	1.1%
>\$20	6	21.4%	6	21.4%	6	21.4%	10	35.7%	28	7.7%
Total	128	35.0%	112	30.6%	40	10.9%	86	23.5%	366	100.0%

^{&#}x27;Column percentage based on "Total" for this column, "Total Response". All other percentages are calculated "across" row.

Note: The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

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Table 21A. Average Reported Percent Shrimp Sales by Outlet for Wholesalers and Distributors in 1988 by Region.

		Reg	ion		
Outlets	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Regions
White Tablecloth:					
Number	50	36	24	28	138
Response Percent ¹	(23.5%)	(18.0%)	(30.0%)	(25.2%)	(22.8%)
Average Percent ²	41.9%	37.9%	35.6%	44.1%	40.2%
Other Restaurants:					
Number	53	43	14	25	135
Response Percent ¹	(24.9%)	(21.5%)	(17.5%)	(22.5%)	(22.4%)
Average Percent ²	29.2%	30.2%	29.4%	24.0%	28.6%
Seafood Specialty Sh	nops:				
Number	34	28	10	15	87
Response Percent ¹	(16.0%)	(14.0%)	(12.5%)	(13.5%)	(14.4%)
Average Percent ²	33.3%	23.1%	27.0%	14.0%	26.0%
Other:					
Number	16	14	8	5	43
Response Percent'	(7.5%)	(7.0%)	(10.0%)	(4.5%)	(7.1%)
Average Percent ²	29.2%	29.6%	39.6%	19.2%	30.1%
Supermarkets:					
Number	25	26	12	17	80
Response Percent ¹	(11.7%)	(13.0%)	(15.0%)	(15.3%)	(13.2%)
Average Percent ²	28.8%	21.5%	28.8%	23.3%	25.3%

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Table 21A. Average Reported Percent Shrimp Sales by Outlet for Wholesaler and Distributors in 1988 by Region (Continued).

Region							
Outlets	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Regions		
W/D:3	director		a Toronto				
Number	29	40	6	16	91		
Response Percent ¹	(13.6%)	(20.0%)	(7.5%)	(14.4%)	(15.1%)		
Average Percent2	22.0%	44.1%	13.3%	39.4%	34.2%		
Institutions:							
Number	6	13	6	5	30		
Response Percent ¹	(2.8%)	(6.5%)	(7.5%)	(4.5%)	(5.0%)		
Average Percent ²	7.0%	8.2%	5.2%	5.2%	6.9%		
Grand Total:4							
Number	213	200	80	111	604		
Response Percent	(100%)	(100%)	(100%)	(100%)	(100%)		
Average Percent	31.2%	30.8%	28.9%	28.8%	30.3%		

^{&#}x27;The percent of responses, "Number", compared to the "Grand Total".

Average of reported shrimp sales percent by outlet.

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^{*}Combined totals from the Northeast, South, Midwest, and West Region columns.

Note: There where multiple responses to the business outlet questions. The sum of the actual percentage may not exactly equal 100.0% due to rounding error.

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Table 22A. Average Reported Percent Shrimp Sales by Outlet for Processors in 1988 by Region.

		Regi			
Outlets	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Regions
White Tablecloth:					
Number	5	14	0	8	27
Response Percent ¹	(23.8%)	(15.1%)	(0.0%)	(20.0%)	(17.2%)
Average Percent ²	61.0%	31.1%	0.0%	36.5%	38.2%
Other Restaurants:					
Number	4	16	1	6	27
Response Percent ¹	(19.0%)	(17.2%)	(33.3%)	(15.0%)	(17.2%)
Average Percent ²	33.8%	16.2%	3.0%	17.5%	18.6%
Seafood Specialty S	Shops:				
Number	5	14	0	5	24
Response Percent ¹	(23.8%)	(15.1%)	(0.0%)	(12.5%)	(15.3%)
Average Percent ²	18.0%	36.6%	0.0%	8.0%	13.0%
Other:					
Number	3	8	1	4	16
Response Percent ¹	(14.3%)	(8.6%)	(33.3%)	(10.0%)	(10.2%)
Average Percent ²	38.3%	34.5%	7.0%	4.5%	26.0%
Supermarkets:					
Number	1	13	0	7	21
Response Percent ¹	(4.8%)	(14.0%)	(0.0%)	(17.5%)	(13.4%)
Average Percent ²	70.0%	23.1%	0.0%	20.4%	24.48

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Table 22A. (Continued) Average Percent Shrimp Sales by Outlet for Processor in 1988 by Region.

Region								
Outlets	Northeast	South	Midwest	West	All Regions			
W/D:3	1107.00	11.11	1 10		1 10			
Number	3	22	1	8	34			
Response Percent ¹	(14.3%)	(23.7%)	(33.3%)	(20.0%)	(21.7%)			
Average Percent ²	30.0%	49.9%	100.0%	60.0%	52.0%			
Institutions:								
Number	0	6	0	2	8			
Response Percent ¹	(0.0%)	(6.5%)	(0.0%)	(5.0%)	(5.1%)			
Average Percent ²	0.0%	7.3%	0.0%	3.5%	6.4%			
Grand Total:4								
Number	21	93	3	40	157			
Response Percent	(100%)	(100%)	(100%)	(100%)	(100%)			
Average Percent	38.3%	27.9%	36.7%	27.1%	29.3%			

The percent of responses, "Number", compared to the "Grand Total"

²Average of reported shrimp sales percent by outlet.

Wholesaler/Distributor

^{&#}x27;Combined totals from the Northeast, South, Midwest, and West Region columns.

NOTE: This exhibit includes data codes not on the questionnaire mailed out in 1989.

Exhibit 1. Seafood Wholesaler Survey, 1989

We are surveying the use of marine shrimp cultured in the U.S. Consequently, we would like you to take some time from your busy schedule to answer a few questions about your operation.

Your responses will be treated as confidential information.

Please feel free to use rough estimates when responding to various questions. Those responding to this survey will be mailed a free guide to South Carolina seafood suppliers.

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Your Company	Name:		
Your Position or T	itle:	,,	
our Business Phone Nu	mber:		
FAX Nu	mber:		
Your Mailing Add	ress:		**
			Zip
orm # (101-104)			
nly) (110) 1 Broker 2	Exporter		1
3 Wholesaler/Distr			
(including: Pac			
Freezing, Fisher Commercial Fishi			
4 Processor 5		6 Tra	der
			M. S. M.
(111) Other (Describe)			
1 restaurant	7 cater	crah foo	de
2 supermarket			40
3 fish store	8 cateri	ng	
	8 cateri 9 fisher	ng men/shri	mp boat owner
4 producer	8 cateri 9 fisher 10 commer	ng men/shri cial fis	mp boat owner hing operation
4 producer 5 retailer 6 packer	8 cateri 9 fisher	ng men/shri cial fis r/stuffi	mp boat owner hing operation

	located? (Indicate states and/or cities):
	(112) Country
	1 North America
	2 USA Only
	3 Europe
	4 Asia 5 Australia & Oceania
	5 Australia & Oceania
	(113) U.S. Region
	1 East & West Mississippi River
	2 West Mississippi River
	3 East Mississippi River
	(114) State level
	1 Only In State
	2 Only Adjacent States 3 Other States
	4 In State & Only Adjacent States
	4 In State a Only Majacent States
2.	About how many people are employed by your firm?
2. 3. 4. 5.	1 to 4 5 to 9 10 to 19 20 to 49 50 to 99 100 to 249 250 to 499 500 & over person(s)
3.	During the last 12 months did you purchase/trade <u>marine</u> (<u>not</u> freshwater) shrimp <u>farmed</u> (cultured) <u>in the United States</u> ? (Check <u>one</u>)
	(121) 1 Yes 2 No 3 I don't know
	Are you interested in purchasing marine white shrimp farmed (cultured) in the U.S. (Check one)
1.	

b. Where are the majority of your customers

a. If <u>yes</u>, please indicate desired shrimp products, count size(s) and quantities based on current market prices (Please circle "Yes" or "No" for <u>each</u> item):

Size Ranges

			STYG Wall	yes	
Quant	p Product ities			Mark Control of the C	counts)
Neede (123)	Live shrimp	Yes	No Maybe	(124)	(125-132) Lbs/Month
		1	2 3	1. u/15 2. 16-30 3. 31-50 4. 51-80 5. 81+ 6. all maj	
(133)	Heads-On, fresh			(134) *same as above	(135-142) Lbs/Month
(143)	Heads-On, frozen	"		(144) *same as above	(145-152) Lbs/Month
(153)	Heads-On,	•		(154) *same as above	(155-162) Lbs/Month
(163)	Heads-Off, fresh			(164) *same as above	(165-172) Lbs/Month
(173)	Heads-Off, frozen	"		(174) *same as above	(561-569) Lbs/Month
(203)	Heads-Off,	"		(204) *same as above	(205-212) Lbs/Month
Quant. (213) (221) (229) (237) (245)	Farmed Shrimp ities Needed): P&D Raw (214- P&D Cooked(22 PUD Raw (230- PUD Cooked (2 IQF P&D (246 Shrimp Pieces	200) 2-228; 236) 38-24) 4)	ed (Describe	Product and
(261) (269) (277) (302)	Breaded (262- Cooked Shrimp Peeled Shrimp Peeled Block Shrimp Tails	268) (270- (561-	-276) -569) Data	file on Se	afood2.Dat

 b. If <u>no</u>, please indicate why you are <u>not</u> interested in purchasing U.S. farmed marine shrimp: (304)

IF YOU DO NOT MARKET (I.E. PURCHASE OR SELL) ANY SHRIMP, PLEASE SKIP TO QUESTION 7.

5. a. If your firm currently purchases any of the <u>marine</u> (<u>not</u> freshwater) shrimp products listed below, please estimate how much you purchased in 1988 for your clients, as well as the count size and country of origin:

Amount Purchased Live Shrimp (305-311) Lbs/Yr.	Major Counts (Size) (312)	Major Country of Origin (313)
11ve 51111mp (395-311/105/11.	1. u-15 2. 16-30 3. 31-50	(314)/(315) (316) (317)
	4. 51-80 5. 81+	(318) (319)
Heads-On,	6. all major counts	(320)/(321) (322)
Fresh (Never frozen) (323-329) Lbs/Yr	(220)	(221)
1323-3297 IDS/ 11	(330) *same as	(331) (332)/(333)
	above (33	4) (335) (336) (337) (338)/(339) (340)
Heads-On, Frozen & IQF	2000	
(341-347) Lbs/Yr.	*same as above	(349) (350)/(351) (352) (353) (354) (355)
		(356)/(357) (358)
Heads-Off, Fresh	****	residence and
(359-365) Lbs/Yr.	(366) *same as above	(367) (368)/369) (370) (371) (372) (373) (374)/(375) (376)

Heads-Off, Frozen & IQF(Sh (570-578)Lbs/Yr	· (4	04) ame as ove	(405) (406)/(407) (408) (409) (410) (411) (412)/(413) (414)
5. b. Please roughly estimate your shrimp products (etc.) to your total 1988 sea (415-417%)	(e.g. 5	shell-on sl	ontribution of <u>all</u> hrimp, P&D, PUD's,
 Of your total annual sale shrimp, please estimate t different outlets in 1988 	the per	centage (allocated to
(418-420) White Table Cloth Restaurants		-432) % Sur	permarkets:
(421-423) tother Restaurants			nolesalers/
(424-426) & Seafood Specialty Shops (427-429) & Other (Describe):		-438)% Ins	stributors stitutions pitals, etc.)
 Are you interested in pur farmed fish or shellfish? "No" for each item) (439) Hybrid Striped Bass 	(Plea	se circle	rolina "Yes" or Quantities (440-447)
1 2		Lbs/Month	
(448) Redfish (Red Drum)	*same	as above Lbs/Month	(449-456)
(457) Crawfish	*same	as above Lbs/Month	(458-465)
(466) Soft Shell Crawfish	*same	as above Lbs/Month	(467-474)
(475) Eastern Oysters	*same	30.10.20.00.00.00	(570-578)
(475) Eastern Oysters	*same	as above	
		as above Bu/Month on	(570-578) *Data file
(475) Eastern Oysters (504) Soft Shell Blue Crabs		as above Bu/Month on	(570-578) *Data file

(522) Seed Clams for *same as above (523-530) Clams/Mon Culturing (531) Southern Bay Scallops *same as above <u>(532-539)</u> Gal/Month *same as above (541-548) (540) Catfish Lbs/Month (549) Marine Shrimp *same as above (550-557) Lbs/Month (558) Other farmed products needed 8. Please place a check by the range of values in which your firm's total seafood sales in 1988 belong (Check one): (559)1 less than \$5 million <u>2</u> \$5 to \$10 million

(560) Seafood firms specializing in other seafood products

3 \$10 to \$15 million

4 \$15 to \$20 million

5 greater than \$20 million

Please mail this guestionnaire using the enclosed self-addressed business reply envelope or write to us at the following address:

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If you would like more information on this survey, please contact Valvy Grant at (803) 795-6350. We thank you for your cooperation.