Findings from a recent study on perception of aquaculture products in France





Supply balance in France (2008)

1000 tonnes (live weight)	Landings	Aquaculture	TOTAL	Aqua. rate
Production	463	244	707	35 %
Imports	1 525	430	1 955	22 %
Exports	419	73	492	15 %
Consumption	1 568	602	2 170	28 %
self-sufficiency	30 %	41 %	33 %	

Source: France A griMer



Consumption in France (2008)

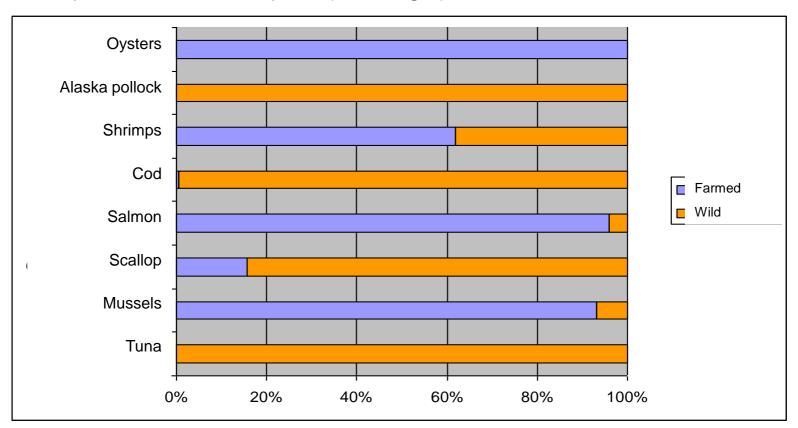
1000 tonnes (live weight)	Landings	Aquaculture	TOTAL	Aqua. rate
Fish	1 228	206	206 1 434	14 %
Molluscs	227	315	542	58 %
Crustaceans	89	81	169	48 %
Cephalopods	24	0	24	0 %
TOTAL	1 568	602	2 170	28 %

Source: FranceAgriMer



Main species

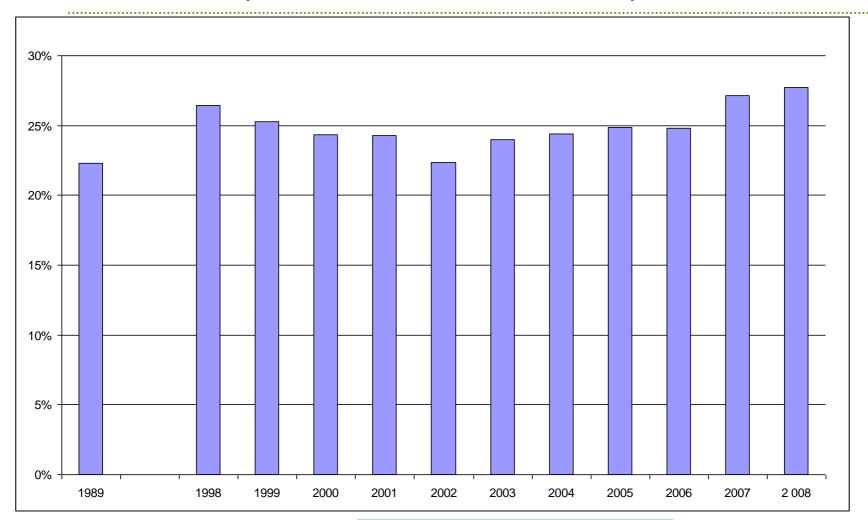
Species with consumption (live weight) > 100 000 tonnes



Source : FranceAgriMer

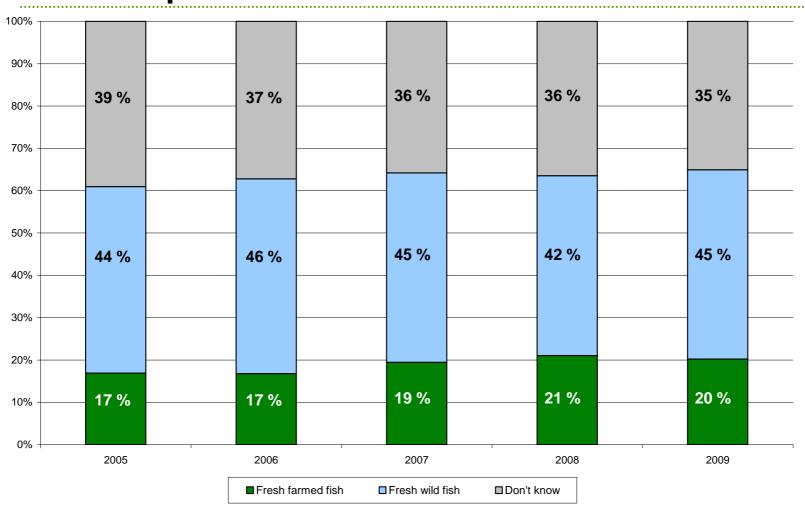


Part of the farmed products in the French consumption



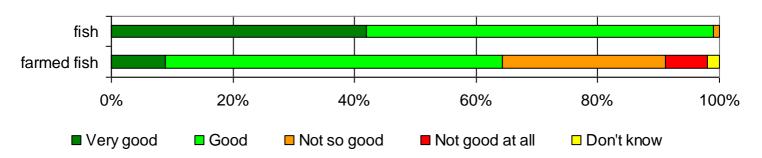


Households purchases declaration



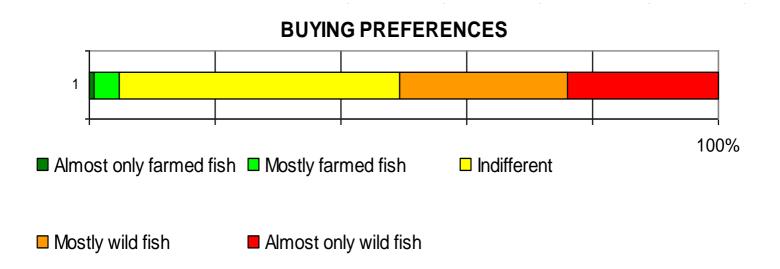


OVERALL PERCEPTION

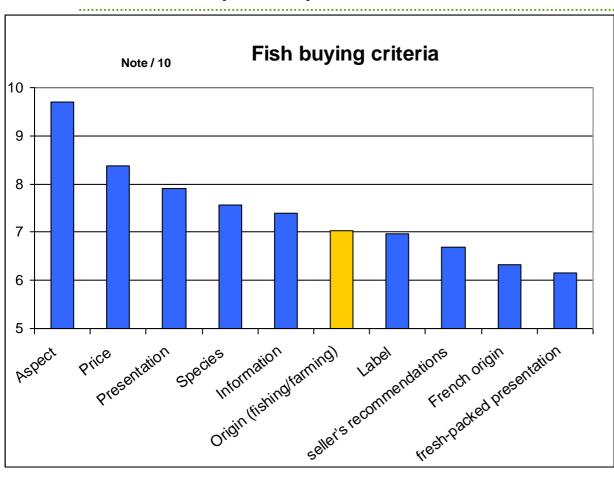


The farmed fish perception is not as good as for fish in general, but the average perception remains quite good (> 60 %)





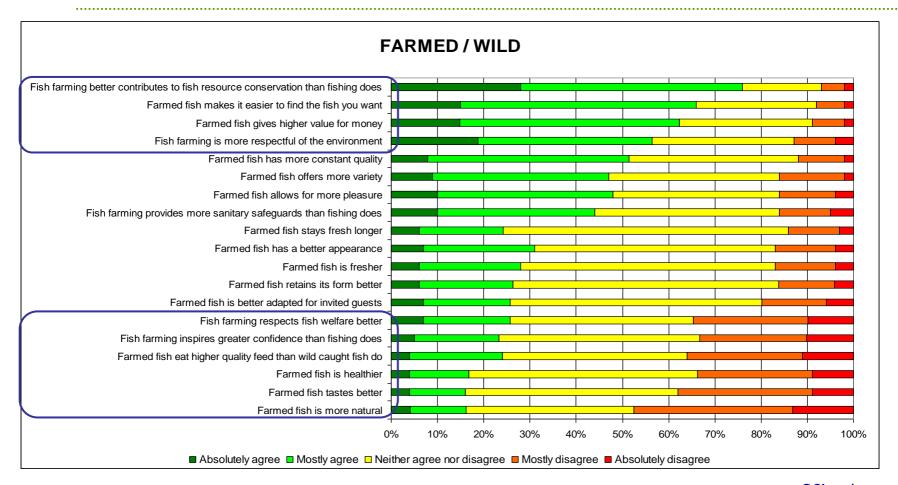




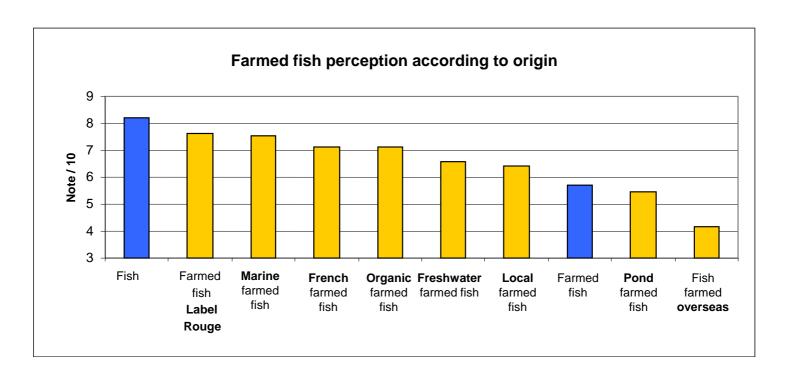
The wild or farmed origin is very important for 37 % of the consumers and rather important for 29 %.

Perception can change according to the sex, the age, the consumption level







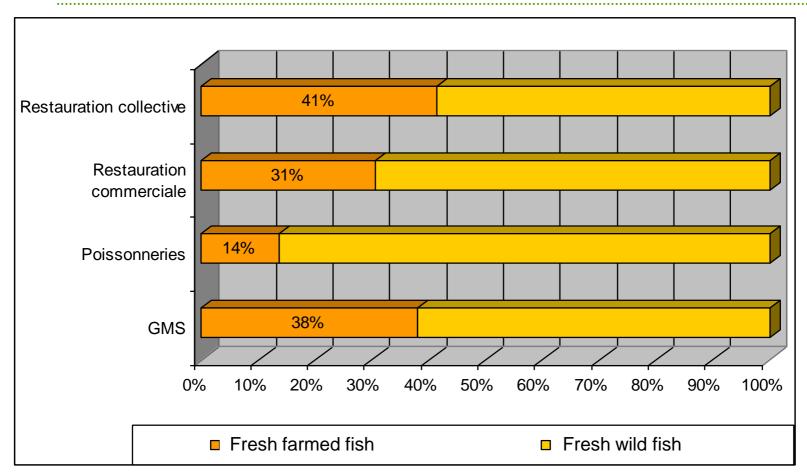


Information on the origin can improve consumer perception





Breakdown of purchases by distribution channel (value, 2008)



Source: FranceAgriMer, Kantar, GIRA



NEGATIVE

Farmed Fish perception : distribution channels

Supermarkets	Fishmongers	Wholesalers	Restaurants
+ Regularity + Practicality + Global profitability + Price + Traceability + Freshness	+ Regularity + Price + Practicality + Labels + Freshness + Profitability	+ Regularity + Traceability + Price + Conservation + Aspect + Freshness	+ Price + Practicality + Sustainability + Traceability + Regularity + Security
TasteConfidenceNutritional qualitiesAnimal welfareFish feedNaturalness	 Fish feed Naturalness Environmental respect Confidence Animal welfare Taste 	TasteProfitabilityConfidenceFish feedAnimal welfareNutritional qualities	 Nutritional qualities Animal welfare Confidence Naturalness Taste Overall quality

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To conclue

- Relative unawareness of characteristics of the seafood's ways of production
- Ambivalent perception of the farmed seafood
- Aquaculture has to convince the distribution channel and the purchasing advisors



Thank you for your attention