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Us wild seafood comments

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I would like to point out there is not nearly enough advertising and public awareness of our wild caught seafood industry. Our American people are all pushing fish farms because they think our oceans are overfished and depleted. Truth is we consume more imported farmed fish than our own sustainable caught wild seafood. We only consume about 1.25 billion pounds of wild sustainable harvested seafood caught in our us waters and export the rest which is approximately 8 Billion Pounds. We consume 3.5 billion pounds of imported seafood. If you ask me the main problem with our seafood industry is we ship it all away and consume the feces fed farmers seafood that is imported to us. The worst part is nobody knows about this and it is horrible. As a fisherman and an owner of a small local seafood shop I would like to see more advertisement and education about our local us caught wild seafood. I believe once we are consuming 100% of our own wild seafood then we should consider fish farms and importing. This is disturbing and wrong.

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