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Fish first processors in France

Industry insights

🔹 Fish first industry provides about **7 000 jobs**

🔹 The industry gathers **420** companies



🔹 **The total turnover** of the sector was valued at **3,5 bn€** in 2021

🔹 The sector bought **150.000 t** marketed within French fish auctions in 2021

🔹 **95%** of the companies have **less than 50 employees**

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Activity and characteristics of the companies

Commercial intermediary which :

- Makes the link between a **wide range products landed** by the fish fleet and a **market which becomes more and more standardized**;
- Imports and exports fresh fishery products.



Technical intermediary wich :

- Proceeds to 1st transformation (gutting, filleting, heading etc.);
- Has artisanal activity.



UMF association

National union

- UMF gathers 14 professional and local unions located on the French coastline.

UMF aims :

- To represent and promote interest of fish first processors industry;
- To organize social dialogue at a national level;
- To federate and lead collective action to assist our members in their development.

Our main concerns



Competitiveness

- Exports and imports control
- Consumer information
- Fisheries management
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Environmental issues

- Water use
- Fish durability
- Plastic waste
- Energy efficiency
- Environmental labeling
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Social issues

- Attractiveness of the profession
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- Professional training
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