# **Culinary Imperialism**

## **American Fast Food Abroad**

1986

1996

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|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|
|                | Number of restaurants overseas | Number of countries overseas | Number of restaurants overseas   | Number of countries overseas |  |
| Burger King    | 300                            | 27                           | 1,864  | 52                           |  |
| Dunkin' Donuts | 204                            | 14                           | 1,163  | 25                           |  |
| KFC            |                                |                              | 4,784  | N/A                          |  |
| Pizza Hut      |                                |                              | 3,633  | N/A                          |  |
| Taco Bell      |                                |                              | 203  | N/A                          |  |
| McDonalds      | 1,926                          | 41                           | 8, 928   | 101                          |  |

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| Top 10<br>countries<br>overseas | Number of restaurants |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Japan                           | 532                   |  |
| Canada                          | 491                   |  |
| W. Germany                      | 227                   |  |
| UK                              | 197                   |  |
| Australia                       | 164                   |  |
| Netherlands                     | 37                    |  |
| Brazil                          | 31                    |  |
| Hong Kong                       | 27                    |  |
| France                          | 25                    |  |
| New Zealand                     | 21                    |  |

| Top 10<br>countries<br>overseas | Number of restaurants |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Japan                           | 2,004                 |
| Canada                          | 982                   |
| Australia                       | 808                   |
| Germany                         | 743                   |
| UK                              | 650                   |
| France                          | 540                   |
| Brazil                          | 337                   |
| Taiwan                          | 163                   |
| Netherlands                     | 151                   |
| Italy                           | 147                   |

Source: The data on American fast foods abroad and media abroad were supplied by the companies.

#### American Media Abroad

#### Foreign circulation

|                                | 1986       | 1996       |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Reader's Digest                | 12,400,000 | 13,000,000 |
| Newsweek                       | 1,007,000  | 3,400,000  |
| Time                           | 1,336,000  | 1,784,501  |
| The Wall Street Journal Europe | 34,452     | 65,007     |
| The Asian Wall Street Journal  | 29,295     | 54,459     |

## **American Books Abroad** Best Sellers, By Country of Author, 1996

|                       | Author               | Author's country |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| The Partner           | John Grisham         | United States    |
| The English Patient   | Michael Onadaatje    | Canada           |
| Celestine Prophecy    | James Redfield       | United States    |
| The Third Twin        | Ken Follet           | Britain          |
| Airframe              | Michael Crichton     | United States    |
| Birds of Prey         | Wilbur Smith         | South Africa     |
| Deep End of the Ocean | Jacquelyn Michard    | United States    |
| The Woman and The Ape | Peter Hoeg           | Scandinavia      |
| El Captain Alatriste  | Arturo Perez Reverte | Spain            |
| The Last Don          | Mario Puzo           | United States    |

Source: Market Partners International, New York, New York, January-June 1997.

## **American Movies Abroad** Biggest Draws, Internationally, 1996

#### Movies are rank ordered

| 1. 101 Dalmations              | 6. The English Patient        | 11. Daylight            |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2. The Hunchback of Notre Dame | 7. Sleepers                   | 12. Mission: Impossible |
| 3. Ransom                      | 8. Independence Day           | 13. The Nutty Professor |
| 4. The Rock                    | 9. Star Wars: Special Edition | 14. Twister             |
| 5. Jerry McGuire               | 10. Dante's Peak              | 15. Eraser / Space Jam  |

Note: The International Gold Reel Awards went to 15 Films in 1996. The award recognizes films that exceed \$100 million in box-office gross in the international marketplace.

Source: The Hollywood Reporter International News, June 26, 1997.