Newfoundland and Labrador Aquaculture Industry Highlights 2009 (Revised) and 2010 (Preliminary)

Total Export Value for 2010: \$116.3 million, and Revised 2009: \$92,092 million

Priority Species					Employment	
Finfish: Shellfish:		Atlantic salmon Steelhead trout Blue mussel		indivi aquad	Approximately 684 individuals are employed in aquaculture production or processing.	
Production (metric tonnes)						
Species	2009		2010		% Change	
Salmonids	11,551		12,899		11.7	
Mussels		2,076			18.5	
Total	13,627		15,360		12.7	
Aquaculture Licenses			Approximate Water Area (hectares)			
Salmonid	75		Salmonid		1,965	
Shellfish	52		Shellfish		3,843	
Hatcheries	3		Hatcheries		N/A	
Other	22		Other		711	
Total Licenses:	140*		Total Area:		5,932*	

- Salmonid production has increased 165% since 2007.
- Strategic infrastructure initiatives include the construction of an aquatic animal health and development facility, increased hatchery capacity and improved wharf access.
- To facilitate sustainable development, a Provincial Salmonid Aquaculture Action Plan and a Sustainable Aquaculture Framework are being developed.
- Mussel production has remained relatively stable over the past ten years.
- Efforts to increase mussel market access are ongoing.

* licenses approved for multiple species

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