

## Newfoundland and Labrador Aquaculture Industry Highlights 2007 (Revised) and 2006 (Preliminary)

**Total Export Value for 2007: \$38,456 million, and Revised 2006: \$52,290 million**

Priority Species		Employment
Finfish:	Atlantic salmon Steelhead trout	Approximately 405 individuals are employed in aquaculture production or processing.
Shellfish:	Blue mussel	

Production (metric tonnes)			
Species	2006	2007	% Change
Salmonids	7,300	4,857	-33.5
Mussels	3,200	3,390	5.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>8,247</b>	<b>-21.5</b>

Aquaculture Licenses		Approximate Water Area (hectares)	
Salmonid	45	Salmonid	1,047
Shellfish	54	Shellfish	3,510
Hatcheries	2	Hatcheries	N/A
Other	20	Other	550
<b>Total Licenses:</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>Total Area:</b>	<b>5,107</b>

- South coast salmonid aquaculture industry expanded significantly in 2007.
- Marine infrastructure is a key issue for the salmonid and mussel sectors.
- The construction of the new regional fish health facility in St. Alban's will enhance the fish health and industry development capacity of the aquaculture industry in that region.
- Aquaculture Loan Guarantee Program and the Aquaculture Capital Investment Program continued to provide incentives for new investment opportunities.

Source: DFA