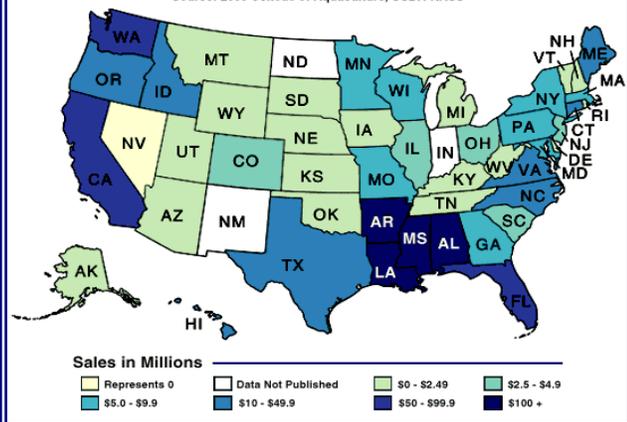


Aquaculture Statistics & Background



Aquaculture Sales: 2005

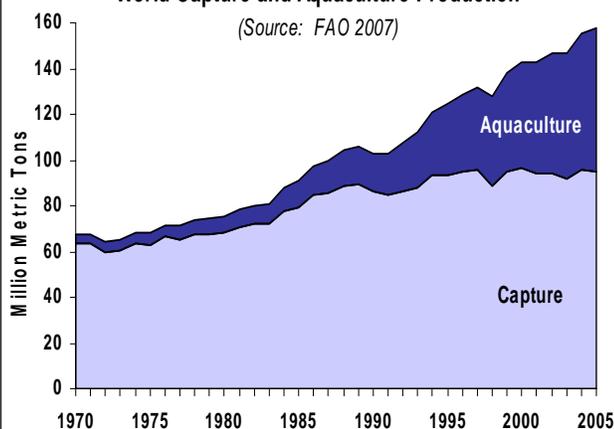
U.S. Total Sales - \$1.09 Billion
Source: 2005 Census of Aquaculture, USDA-NASS



There are significant growth opportunities for aquaculture in the United States; current annual production of \$1 billion (20% marine) supplies 4-5% of U.S. seafood consumption.

World Capture and Aquaculture Production

(Source: FAO 2007)

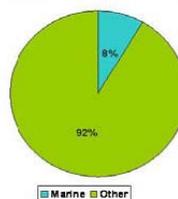


Quick Stats

- 81% of the seafood consumed in the U.S. is imported and half of those imports are farmed
- Global wild fish harvest is 95 million tons and likely cannot be sustained
- To meet increased demand for seafood, the world will need 40 million tons of aquaculture by 2030
- Present global aquaculture production is nearly 60 million tons, valued at \$70 billion
 - 70% is produced in China
 - 22% from the rest of Asia
 - 2.3% from Latin America and the Caribbean, and
 - 1.3% from North America
- The U.S. needs both wild and farmed seafood products to meet seafood demand
- The latest Census of Aquaculture showed that over the past 7 years, sales of domestic aquaculture products grew by 11.7% to nearly \$1.1 billion
- U.S. marine aquaculture is 1.5% of U.S. seafood supply
- U.S. marine aquaculture has a \$200 million farm-gate or landed value
- The majority of U.S. marine aquaculture is shellfish – oysters, clams, mussels
- U.S. marine aquaculture is 20% of a \$1 billion U.S. aquaculture industry
- Annual U.S. seafood consumption (wild and farmed) is 6-7 million tons
- Based on demand and population growth projections in the United States, the projected domestic seafood gap in 2025 is 2-4 million tons

U.S. Aquaculture Production 2003

By weight
(Total = 0.4 million MT)



By value
(Total = \$961 million)

