Commercial Fisheries 2009

The commercial fisheries sector is a vital component of the social and economic fabric of the province, particularly in many rural coastal communities. In 2009, the fishing fleet of about 2,650 vessels harvested 96,012 tonnes of fish and seafood for a value of \$146 million. In terms of fish and seafood species, lobster and snow crab account for about 80 percent of the value of commercial landings in New Brunswick. Virtually all production, with the exception of live lobster, oysters and sea urchins, undergoes some processing in the province. New Brunswick is also one of the largest exporters of fish and seafood products in the country estimated at \$700 million in 2009. The main export destination is the United States with 85 percent of the export value. In terms of employment, the fisheries sector generated about 2,100 and 3,600 full time equivalent jobs in primary production and processing, respectively.

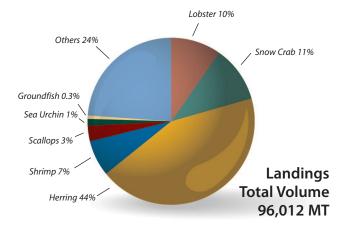


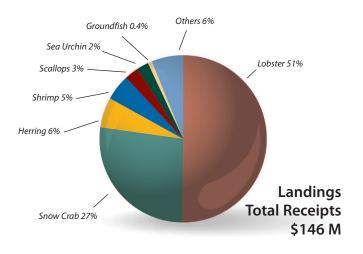
Industry at a Glance

Number of fishing vessels	2,650
Number of active processing plants	118
Value of commercial landings	\$146 million
Value of processed seafood shipments	\$720.5 million
Exports	\$695.5 million
Employment-Primary (FTEs)	2,100
Employment-Processing (FTEs)	3,610

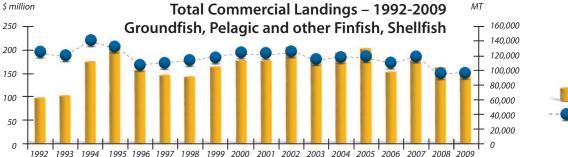
Landings

Species	Volume (MT)		Value (\$ Million)	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Lobster	9,101	9,904	89.1	74.9
Snow Crab	10,874	10,349	48.0	39.4
Herring	45,542	42,202	10.3	9.2
Shrimp	6,043	6,996	5.8	6.4
Scallops	2,117	2,484	4.2	4.4
Sea Urchin	1,354	925	3.0	2.9
Groundfish	402	274	0.8	0.5
Others	20,808	22,878	8.8	8.5
Total	96,241	96,012	170.0	146.3









Years

Seafood Product Exports

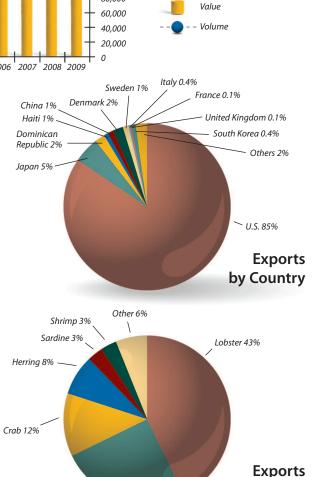
Exports by Country

Country	Value (\$ Million)		
	2008	2009	
United States	664.0	587.7	
Japan	35.5	37.5	
Dominican Rep.	11.2	13.5	
Haiti	9.6	9.3	
China, P. Rep.	8.1	8.1	
Denmark	5.2	12.5	
Sweden	3.2	5.0	
Italy	2.6	2.5	
France	2.6	0.9	
United Kingdom	1.1	0.5	
Korea, South	0.1	2.8	
Others	13.7	15.1	
Total	756.7	695.5	

Exports by Species

Species	Value (\$ Million)		
	2008	2009	
Lobster	364.1	294.6	
Salmon	163.4	171.7	
Crab	105.0	84.1	
Herring	51.7	57.9	
Sardine	20.2	22.3	
Shrimp	11.8	21.5	
Other	40.5	43.3	
Total	756.7	695.5	





Highlights 2009

Salmon 25%

• Total fish and seafood landings remained stable at about 96,000 tonnes between 2008 and 2009. However, the value of landings declined over the same period due to the global recession.

by Species

- Lobster, shrimp and scallop landings increased by 800 tonnes (8.8%), 950 tonnes (15.8%) and 370 tonnes (17.3%), respectively. However, there was a decline in the landings of snow crab, herring, sea urchin and groundfish totaling 4,400 tonnes.
- Exports to Japan, Dominican Republic, Denmark, Sweden and South Korea increased between 2008 and 2009 by a sum of \$16 million. However, the total export revenues declined due to the global recession and the strengthening of the Canadian dollar against the US dollar.
- Shrimp exports increased by \$10 million (83%), salmon exports increased by \$8 million (5%), while herring exports increased by \$6 million (12%).