

Fishery Statistics 2009



Rustico Harbour, PEI



Fisheries, Aquaculture and Rural Development

Top 10 Species By Value

2008		2009	
Species	000s \$	Species	000s \$
1. Lobster	100,740	1. Lobster	71,895
2. Mussels	22,381	2. Mussels	24,655
3. Snow Crab	11,633	3. Snow Crab	7,585
4. Oysters	5,654	4. Oysters	5,075
5. Bluefin Tuna	3,119	5. Herring	3,738
6. Herring	2,976	6. Bluefin Tuna	2,152
7. Rock Crab	1,854	7. Cultured Finfish	1,828
8. Cultured Finfish	1,624	8. Mackerel	1,817
9. Mackerel	1,304	9. Rock Crab	1,712
10. Scallops	780	10. Quahaugs	880

Top 10 Species By Weight

2008		2009	
Species	000s lbs.	Species	000s lbs.
1. Mussels	37,302	1. Mussels	41,091
2. Herring	27,327	2. Herring	30,256
3. Lobster	21,902	3. Lobster	22,939
4. Snow Crab	5,816	4. Mackerel	5,344
5. Oysters	5,654	5. Oysters	5,029
6. Rock Crab	4,957	6. Rock Crab	4,527
7. Seaplants	3,605	7. Snow Crab	4,329
8. Mackerel	3,296	8. Silversides	1,011
9. Silversides	940	9. Quahaugs	935
10. Quahaugs	860	10. Bar Clams	879

Lobster Landings (lbs.) – 2009

	Canners	Markets	Total
LFA 24	10,122,133	4,316,590	14,438,723
LFA 26a	2,701,045	2,310,500	5,011,545
LFA 25	2,216,117	1,272,736	3,488,853
		Total	22,939,121

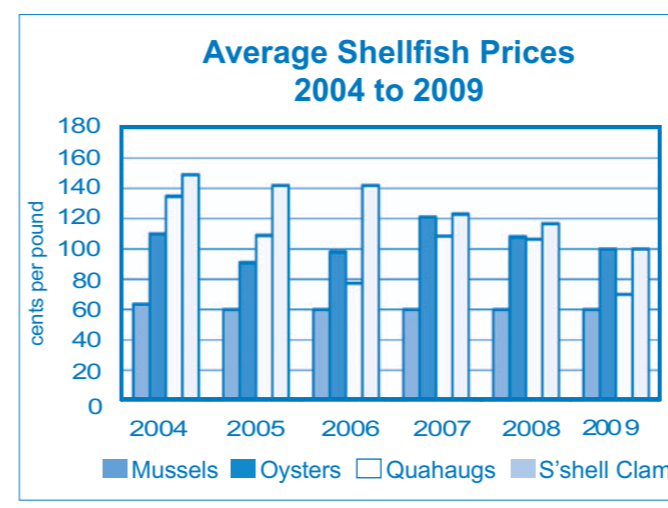
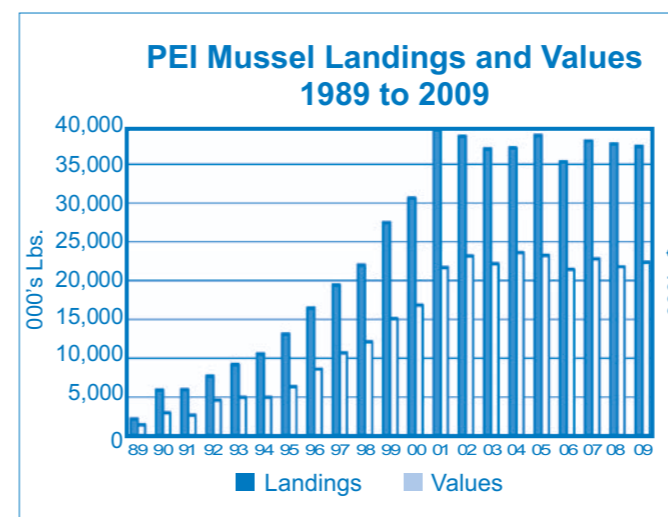
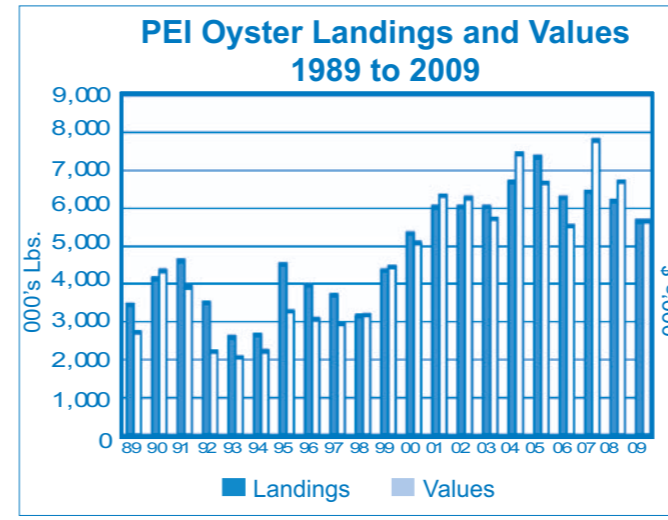
LFA 24 – North Cape to East Point (Season: May 01 to June 30)
 LFA 26A – East Point to Victoria (Season: May 01 to June 30)
 LFA 25 – Victoria to North Cape (Season: August 9 to October 10)

PEI Aquaculture Production 1989 – 2009

Landings (lbs.)				
Year	Oysters	Mussels	Finfish	Total
1989	4,137,815	5,386,276	136,800	9,660,891
1990	3,911,888	5,945,047	114,575	9,971,510
1991	2,605,175	7,676,879	82,272	10,364,326
1992	2,593,795	9,210,010	123,000	11,926,805
1993	2,657,645	10,555,626	107,462	13,320,733
1994	3,424,836	13,112,208	117,692	16,654,736
1995	3,952,397	16,468,177	130,180	20,550,754
1996	3,695,705	19,442,519	140,760	23,278,984
1997	3,149,563	21,993,112	207,920	25,265,966
1998	4,351,746	27,472,459	218,852	32,043,057
1999	5,342,301	30,626,539	180,526	36,149,366
2000	6,022,545	39,459,453	168,000	45,649,998
2001	6,031,400	38,599,186	195,640	44,826,226
2002	6,028,835	37,003,701	72,080	43,104,616
2003	6,694,693	37,102,487	53,552	43,850,732
2004	7,352,700	38,747,715	44,305	46,144,720
2005	6,281,054	35,350,173	24,000	41,655,227
2006	6,439,913	38,025,462	22,500	44,487,875
2007	6,183,797	37,645,688	30,000	43,859,485
2008	5,653,918	37,301,880	9,000	42,964,798
2009	5,028,503	41,091,361	0	46,119,864

Note: Oyster landings include the public oyster fishery and lease production.

Values (000s)\$				
Year	Oysters	Mussels	Finfish	Total
1989	4,350	4,309	342	9,001
1990	3,489	2,675	356	6,520
1991	1,832	3,838	391	6,061
1992	2,062	4,959	542	7,563
1993	2,227	4,972	406	7,605
1994	3,275	6,321	487	10,083
1995	3,070	8,596	532	12,198
1996	2,945	10,693	806	14,444
1997	3,181	12,096	817	16,094
1998	4,447	15,110	882	20,439
1999	5,075	16,845	786	22,706
2000	6,324	21,703	733	28,760
2001	6,273	23,160	811	30,244
2002	5,727	22,202	892	28,821
2003	7,431	23,597	852	31,880
2004	6,670	23,249	3,256	33,175
2005	5,527	21,422	1,888	28,837
2006	7,793	22,813	1,311	31,917
2007	6,702	21,777	1,684	30,163
2008	5,654	22,381	1,624	29,659
2009	5,075	24,655	1,828	31,558



Introduction

The Prince Edward Island fishery statistical brochure is designed to present the most current information available on our very important fishing industry. In terms of economics, the fishery ranks third in the province behind agriculture and tourism. The fishery landed weight in 2009 exceeded 120 million pounds and a landed value in excess of \$125 million. The value to the economy of the province exceeds \$250 million. The industry employs as many as 9,000 people at peak production. Please contact our department if you require further information.

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General Information

No. of Commercial Fishermen	4,121
No. of Fishing Vessels - inshore	1,291
No. of Licensed Lobster Fishermen	1,271
No. of Licensed Groundfish Fishermen	918
No. of Licensed Mackerel Fishermen	1,281
No. of Licensed Herring Fishermen	866
No. of Employees in Processing Plants	2,500
No. of Provincially Licensed and Federally Registered Export Plants	42
No. of Provincially Licensed Non-Export Plants	20
No. of Major Shellfish Shippers	17
No. of Finfish Culture Sites	5

Value of Fishery to P.E.I. Economy=
Approximately \$ 250 Million

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Landed Weight (000s lbs.)

	2008	2009
Groundfish	534	244
Pelagic & Estuarial	32,355	37,570
Molluscs & Crustaceans	78,206	80,446
Seaplants	3,605	1,450
Total	114,700	119,710

Landings and Value of Major Species – 2009

	000s lbs.	Metric Tons	000s \$
Cod	31	14	19
Hake	2	1	1
Flounder	108	49	86
Blackbacks	60	27	56
Yellowtail	0	0	0
Greysole	0	0	0
Tomcod	2	1	0
Halibut	40	18	146
Other Groundfish	1	0	1
Tuna	381	173	2,152
Mackerel	5,344	2,425	1,817
Herring	30,256	13,728	3,738
Gaspereaux	373	169	189
Eels	87	39	150
Smelts	118	54	48
Silversides	1,011	459	538
Skatefish	0	0	0
Shark	0	0	0
Dogfish	0	0	0
Cultured Finfish	0	0	1,828
Lobster	22,939	10,408	71,895
Bar Clams	879	399	433
Soft-Shell Clams	592	269	688
Quahaugs	935	424	880
Scallops	120	54	694
Mussels	41,091	18,644	24,655
Oysters	5,029	2,282	5,075
Toad Crab	0	0	0
Snow Crab	4,333	1,966	7,585
Rock Crab	4,528	2,054	1,712
Whelks	0	0	0
Irish Moss	700	318	301
Furcellaria Mix	750	340	75
Other	0	0	0
TOTAL FISH AND MARINE PLANTS	119,710	54,315	124,762

Landed Value (000s \$)

	2008	2009
Groundfish	411	309
Pelagic & Estuarial	9,654	10,460
Molluscs & Crustaceans	144,696	113,617
Seaplants	415	376
Total	155,176	124,762

Lobster Landings and Values

V= Values in 000s \$ Q= Quantity in million lbs.

	Q	V
Avg. 20s	7.5	610.9
Avg. 30s	7.8	503.8
Avg. 40s	6.6	1,102.3
Avg. 50s	8.3	2,234.8
Avg. 60s	8.6	4,188.9
Avg. 70s	8.7	9,368.3

1980s	Year	Q	V
	1980	11.8	15,458.0
	1981	11.9	18,519.0
	1982	12.2	22,519.0
	1983	15.5	29,056.0
	1984	13.6	23,137.8
	1985	15.0	33,591.9
	1986	18.3	44,494.2
	1987	18.9	49,532.1
	1988	22.0	56,128.9
	1989	21.3	46,058.0

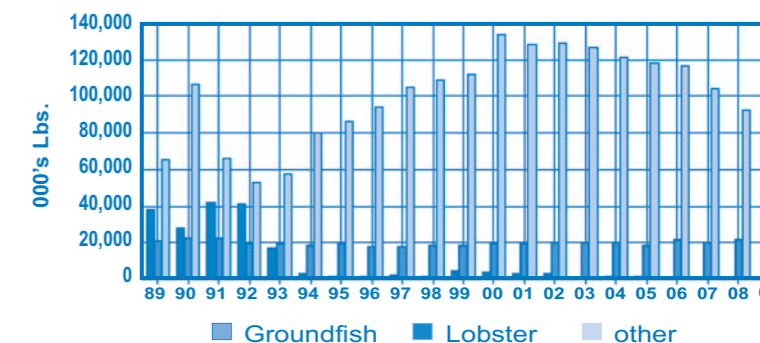
Avg 80s	Q	V
	16.1	33,857.5

1990s	Year	Q	V
	1990	22.5	40,348.0
	1991	22.8	48,521.9
	1992	19.6	58,068.0
	1993	19.8	51,712.0
	1994	18.9	65,398.0
	1995	19.3	79,242.0
	1996	17.9	61,319.0
	1997	17.6	70,614.0
	1998	18.9	80,553.0
	1999	18.4	88,778.0

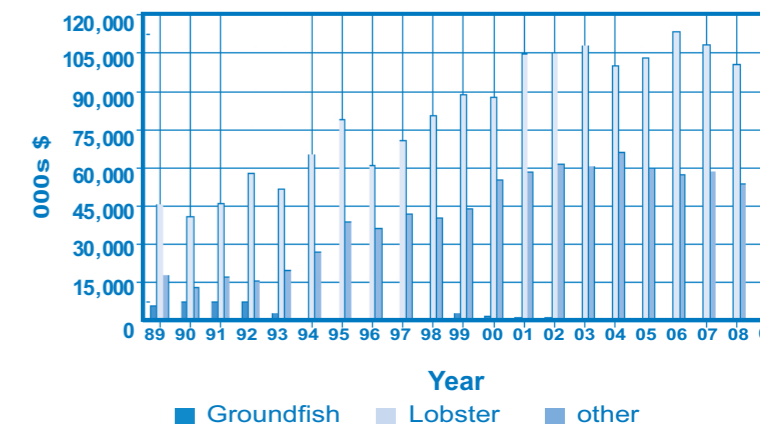
Avg 90s	Q	V
	19.6	62,455.3

2000s	Year	Q	V
	2000	19.1	87,769.0
	2001	19.3	104,831.0
	2002	19.9	105,339.0
	2003	20.0	108,308.0
	2004	19.9	100,099.0
	2005	18.5	103,222.0
	2006	21.5	113,391.0
	2007	20.1	108,647.0
	2008	21.9	100,740.0
	2009	22.9	71,895.0

PEI Fish Landings 1989 to 2009



PEI Fish Values 1989 to 2009



Crab Landings (lbs.)

Year	Snow	Rock	Spider (Toad)
2004	5,624,504	5,305,570	1,043,294
2005	7,557,454	5,033,568	1,556,687
2006	7,564,298	5,052,106	1,338,559
2007	7,282,703	5,104,575	1,401,741
2008	5,815,670	4,957,475	116,411
2009	4,329,835	4,527,835	0