

availability and characteristics of both farmed and wild catch species available locally.

Louisiana

The Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board participated at Sea Fare Southeast, representing the 1300 member commercial licensees of the state. Louisiana leads the nation in overall seafood production and due to their geographic proximity to Florida, participation at Sea Fare was natural. The exhibit consisted of a modern well-designed booth. It attracted visitors interested not only in Louisiana Seafood but the state itself.

A taste of Louisiana Cajun style was the central theme of the exhibit. Louisiana is the top producer in the United States of shrimp, crawfish, many freshwater finfish and shares the lead with Maryland as the top producer of oysters. Information on these and other species, including Cajun preparation was available to show attendees. Canadian exporters of shellfish to the southern U.S. will find initial market penetration difficult as Louisiana shellfish dominates the market.

South Carolina

The South Carolina Department of Agriculture and South Carolina Wildlife and Marine Resources Department had a joint exhibit.