

Canadian business will need to move quickly to secure a foothold in this extremely valuable market. The aquaculture industries of Taiwan, Japan, France, Norway and Denmark are very active in the region already.

This report will look at the aquaculture industry as it currently exists in South East Asia, the potential for growth in the industry, the economic and political situations in each of the countries and the opportunities and strategies for Canadian companies wishing to do business with the aquaculture industry in the region.

The available aquaculture statistics varied from country to country. Some countries did not make statistics available on a species by species basis, rather they maintained their statistics based on the type of aquaculture (ponds, cages etc.) carried out. In each case the most current statistics available are reported herein.

The purpose of this publication however, is not to provide a statistical review of the aquaculture industries in each of the five countries. There are many other sources one can turn to obtain more detailed information about the industry. It has been written to provide interested Canadian business people with a sense of the opportunities available to them to become involved with the growing aquaculture industries in the ASEAN region either by establishing joint venture companies with local business people in the region or by expanding their own marketing efforts to add the ASEAN region to their marketing plans. For those interested in investing in the industry in the ASEAN region we have provided information about the government programs that apply to foreign investment in each country.