



# AQUACULTURE IN THE STATES



Aquaculture, or the raising of fish and other aquatic life, is successfully operating in many states to feed their communities and create jobs. The economic case for aquaculture demonstrates the need for federal legislation to create opportunities to expand offshore aquaculture in U.S. federal waters.

**\$1.5 Billion** TOTAL 2018 U.S. AQUACULTURE SALES

**10.5%** INCREASE FROM 2013



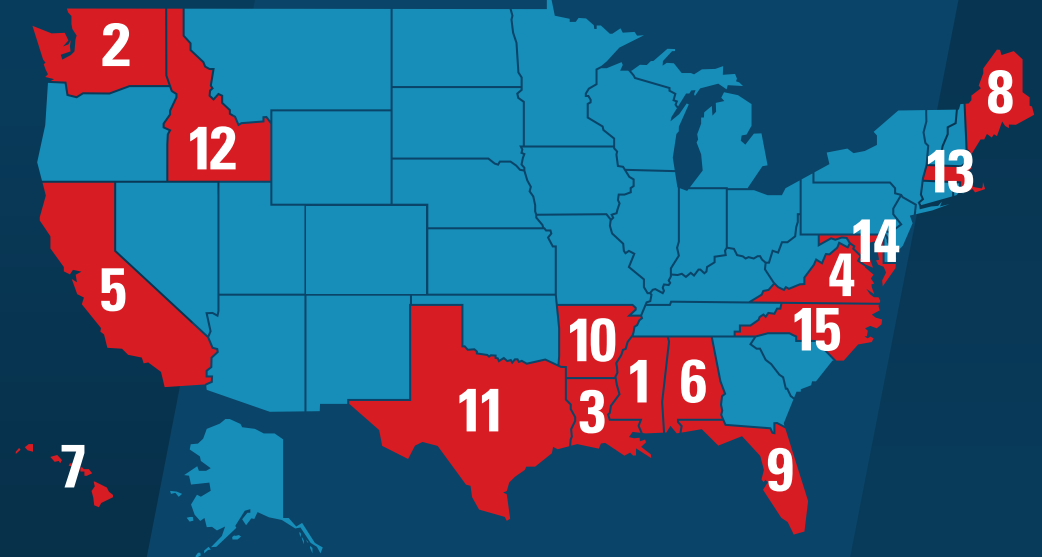
## The South leads with \$850M in aquaculture sales

There is a strong production of freshwater fish, especially catfish, in the areas around the Mississippi River watershed, and saltwater production in the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Ocean.



## The West ranks second with \$475M in aquaculture sales

Washington and California are leaders in shellfish production and have strong saltwater and freshwater production of trout, tilapia and salmon.



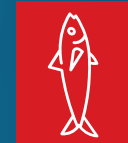
## TOP 15 STATES OF AQUACULTURE SALES (IN MILLIONS)

1 MISSISSIPPI	\$215.7	6 ALABAMA	\$ 95.1	11 TEXAS	\$ 62.5
2 WASHINGTON	\$207.6	7 HAWAII	\$ 78.0	12 IDAHO	\$ 44.7
3 LOUISIANA	\$135.7	8 MAINE	\$ 72.3	13 MASS.	\$ 28.8
4 VIRGINIA	\$112.6	9 FLORIDA	\$ 71.6	14 MARYLAND	\$ 28.1
5 CALIFORNIA	\$106.0	10 ARKANSAS	\$ 67.6	15 N. CAROLINA	\$ 26.0

## SALES BY CATEGORY

**Food fish** (finfish), which includes any fish raised primarily for meals, such as catfish, sturgeon, tilapia, trout, or salmon, accounts for nearly half of the aquaculture market with **\$716M** in sales. **Shellfish** (mollusks), which includes clams, mussels and oysters, follows at **\$442M** in sales.

**\$716M**



Food fish

**\$442M**



Shellfish