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Shrimp Producers in Canada remain shut in face of economic circumstances

(St. John's) Producers representing the entire production of coldwater shrimp in Newfoundland & Labrador - one of the world's largest suppliers - say they are not in a position to restart producing shrimp until the overall economic situation significantly improves.

Producers say the business is not viable given the unfavourable currency exchange and market factors, and the relatively high raw material prices. They say they face an unprecedented situation, but are hopeful a resolution can be found within all aspects of the business: harvesters, producers, and the market place. Clearly sharing the problem is the only way to overcome the challenges in the 2009 fishery.

Shrimp processing plants have been closed given the difficult circumstances industry faces. Over 3000 people work directly in the industry.

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Member Shrimp-Producers

Barry Group Inc.
Cold North Seafoods Ltd.
Fogo Island Co-op Society Ltd.
Gulf Shrimp Limited
Labrador Choice Seafoods Ltd.
Notre Dame Seafoods Ltd
Northern Shrimp Co. Ltd.
Ocean Choice International Lp.
St. Anthony Seafoods Ltd. Partnership (Clearwater)
Quinlan Brothers Limited
Quin-Sea Fisheries Limited