

***Abalone culture in
Mexico:
Current status.***

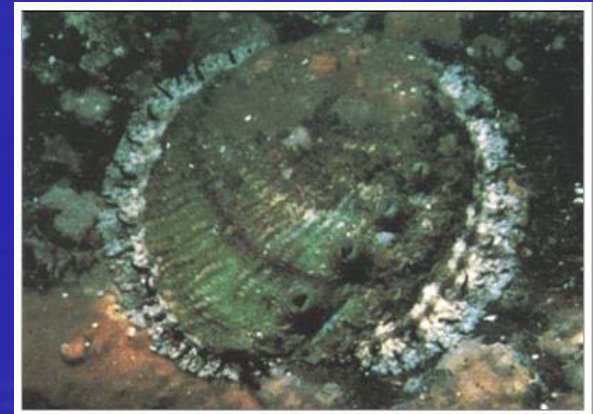
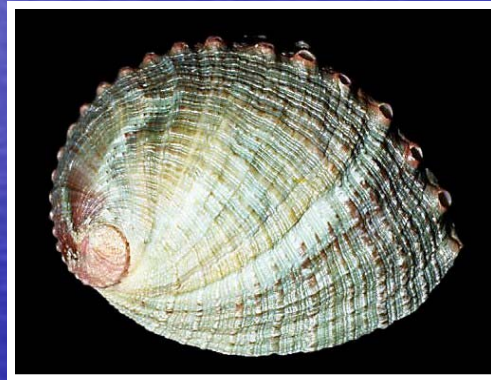
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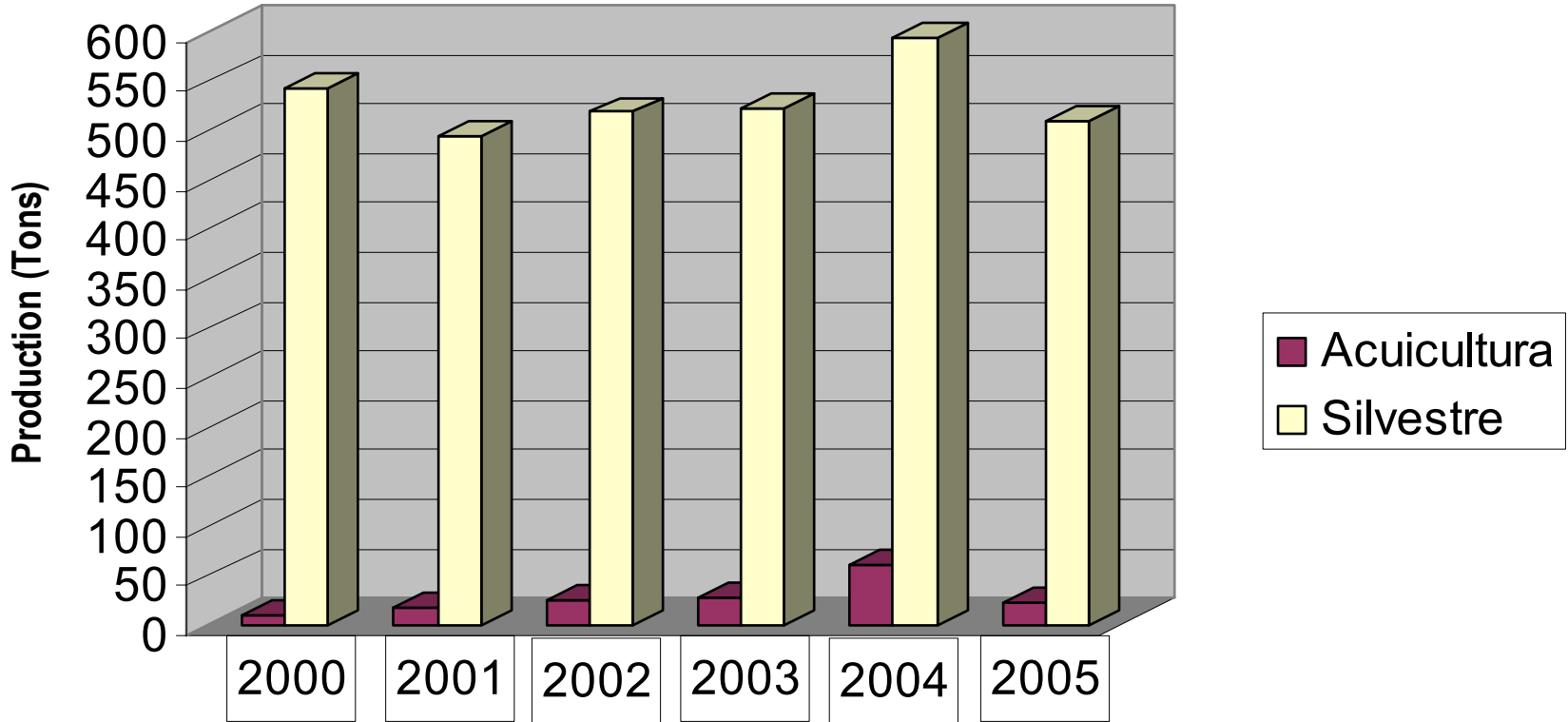
Abalone fisheries and cultured:

The abalone species:

Red abalone (*Haliotis rufescens*), Green abalone (*Haliotis fulgens*) and Pink abalone (*Haliotis corrugata*)



Abalone production in Mexico



Source: SAGARPA BC (OC. Leopoldo Alvarez)
FEDECOP (Lic. Ruben Garcia)

Abalone Farms in Baja California

The abalone culture in Baja California is located in Eréndira (2), San Quintin (1), El Rosario (1), Isla Cedros (1)



"Mexican Abalone Producers (Fisheries and Aquaculture)"

- **"Abulones Cultivados", S. de R.L. de C.V.,**
- **"Productores Marinos Baja" S.A. de C. V.,**
- **"Abuloneros y Langosteros", S.C.L.,**
- **"AquaFarming International" SA de CV**
- **"Regasa" S.C de R.L.**
- **"Productores Nacionales de Abulón", S.C de R.L.,**
- **"Buzos y Pescadores de la Baja California", S.C.L.,**
- **"Bahía Tortugas", S.C de R.L.,**
- **"La Purísima", S.C de R.L.,**
- **"Emancipación", S.C de R.L**
- **"California de San Ignacio", S.C de R.L.,**
- **"Leyes de Reforma", S.C de R.L.**
- **"Progreso" S.C de R.L.,**
- **"Punta Abreojos", S.C de R.L,**
- **"Puerto Chale", S.C.L.**

Major problems in fisheries/ aquaculture:

- Poaching still a bigger problem.
- Aquaculture is considered of high risk
Not attractive
- Land property in coastal areas
- Enviromental permits long and expensive



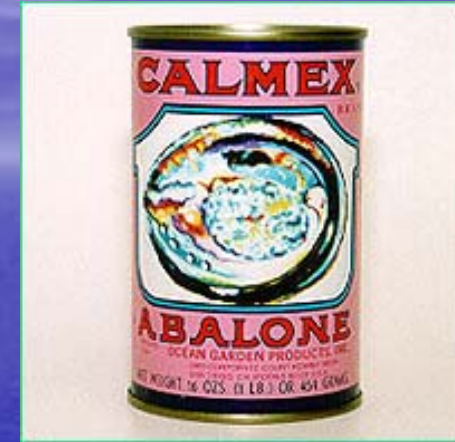
Incentives for aquaculture in Mexico:

- Reduction of electricity cost in 50% in effect from mid-2005
- Funding for development of new farms (SAGARPA) this is a new federal program.
- Currently three farms in development
- Electricity in potencial farming areas
- State BC Aquaculture loans program



Recent events in Mexico:

- Mexican Abalone CALMEX Brand sold to:
 - Aqua Tech, Acuícola Boca and Grupo Industrial Pesquero Mexicano.
- Consejo Mexicano del Abulon, AC
- Most of the producers involved in this venture.



Research and Development:

- Recirculated system seed and grow out
- Genetic programs improve seed quality
- Sanitary monitoring farms
- Broodstock conditioning specially green and pink abalone

