

Salmon are farmed in Europe and the Americas. In the Americas, there are one species of Atlantic salmon and five species of Pacific salmon. Atlantic salmon account for over 95 percent of the farmed salmon produced, and most of them are farm-raised on the Pacific coast of Canada and Chile.

Pacific species account for all of the wild salmon caught and some of them are also farm-raised. Wild Atlantic salmon are not fished commercially in North America as they are an endangered species.

Atlantic salmon are the species of choice to raise on farms because they are more adaptable to farming techniques and make better use of feed so they produce more salmon with less feed.

