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OUEBEC REGION COMMERCIAL FISHING RESULTS

2005 SEASON



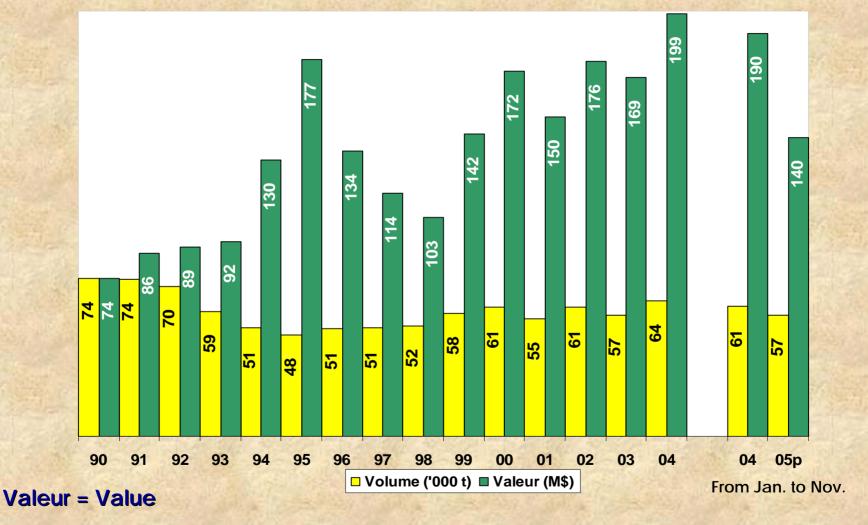
Summary

Trends in Quebec landings - 1990 to 2005(p)

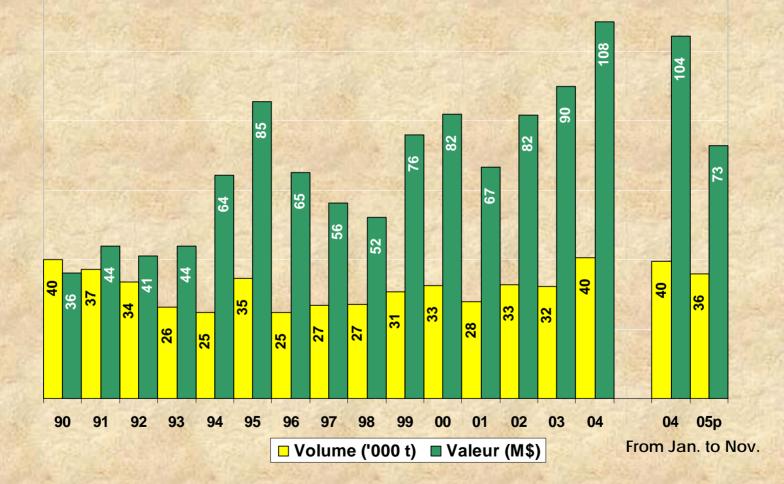
- Landed value and volume by sector 1990 to 2005(p)
- Results for each of the following species:
 Snow crab, lobster, Gulf shrimp
 Scallops
 Cod, turbot, Atlantic halibut, other flatfish
 Herring, mackerel

Volume, value and average landed price:
 In this document, data for 2004 season are final.
 Data for 2005 are preliminary and followed by the letter (p).

Trends in Quebec Landings 1990 - 2005(p)

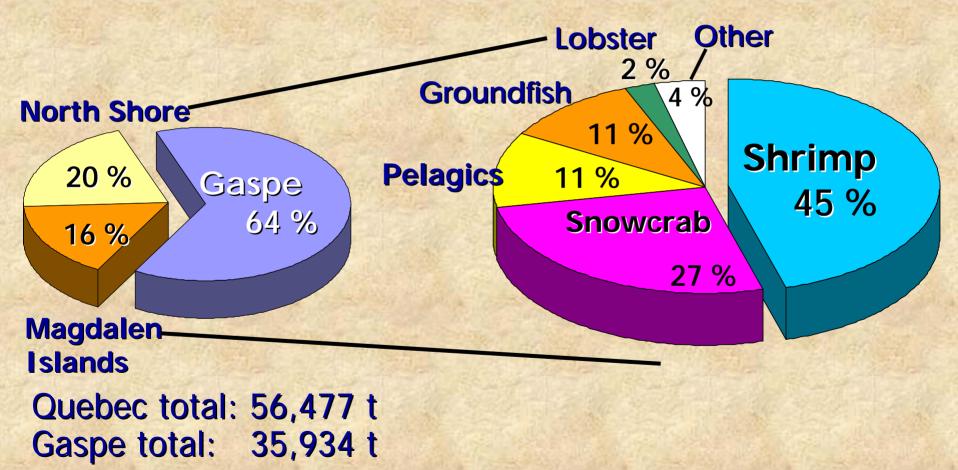


Trends in Gaspe Landings 1990 - 2005(p)

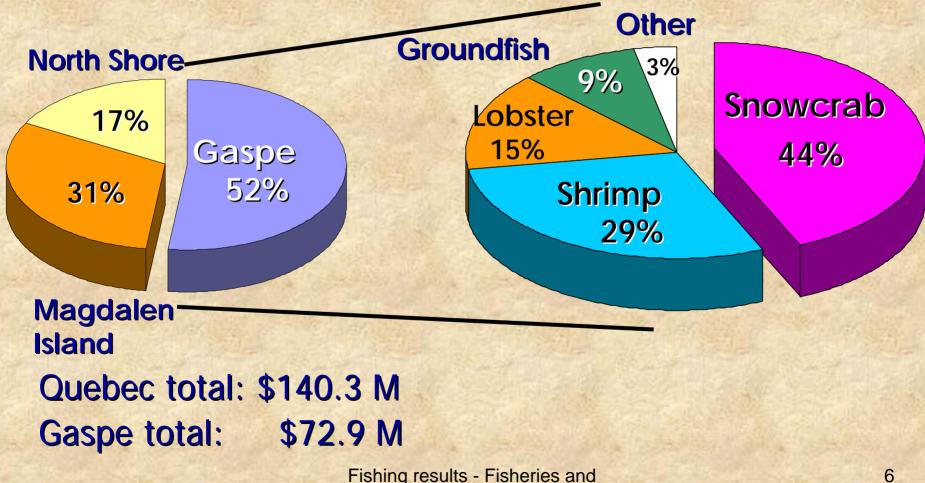


Valeur = Value

Breakdown of Landed Volume Gaspe - 2005(p)

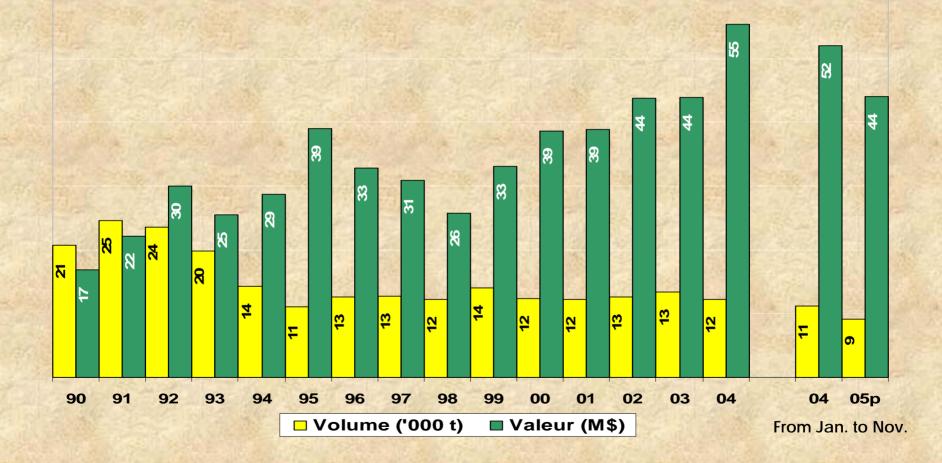


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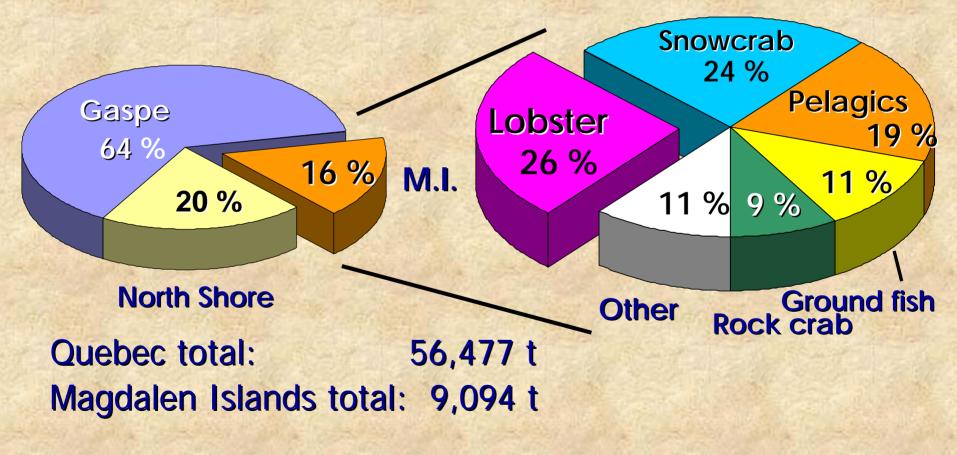
Trends in Magdalen Islands Landings 1990 to 2005(p)



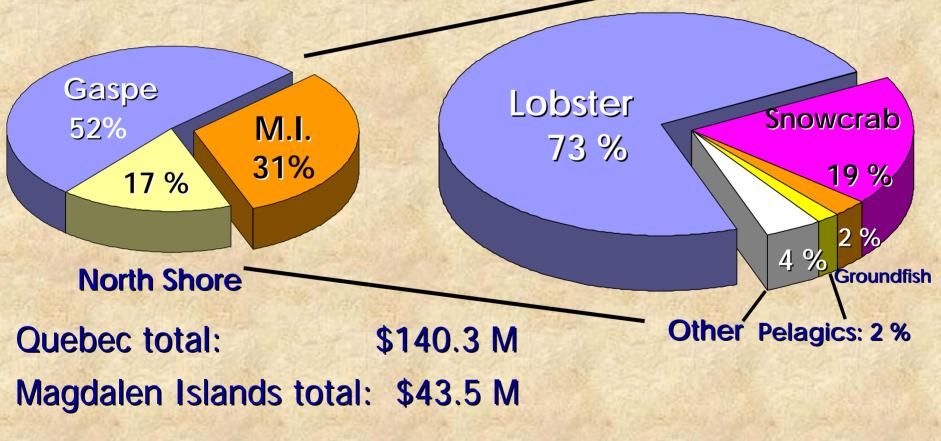
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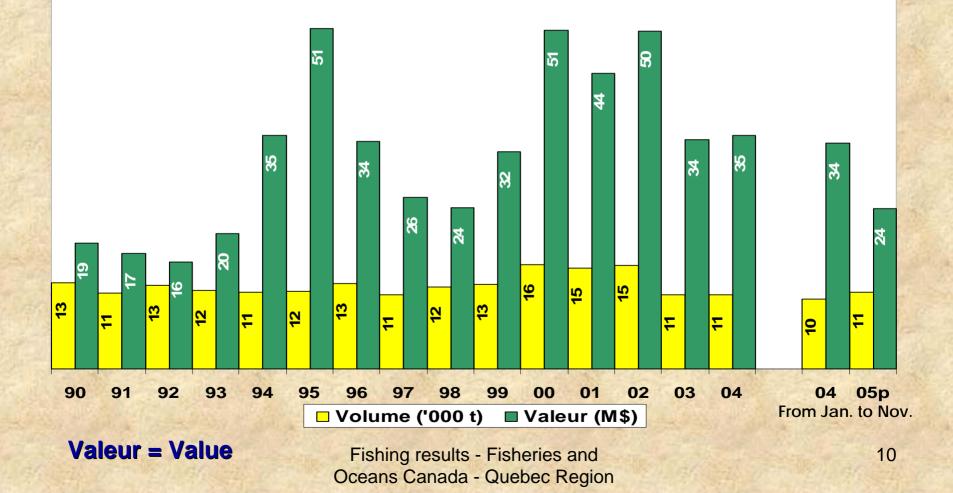
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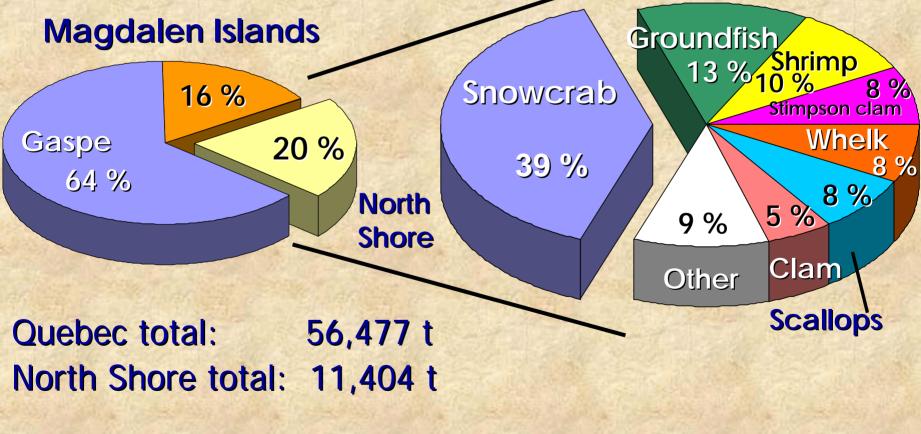
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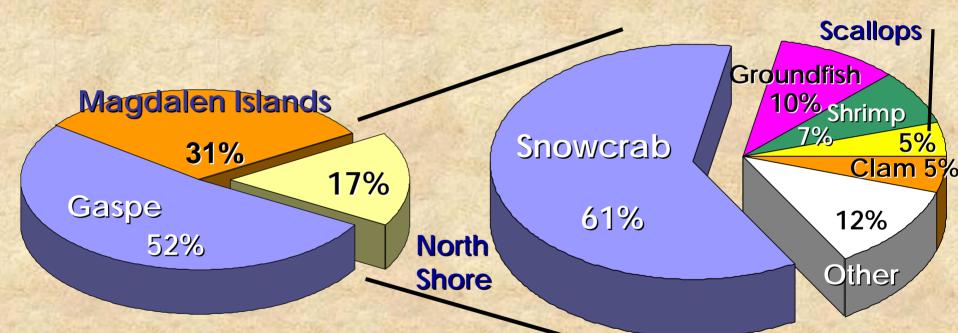
Trends in North Shore Landings 1990 to 2005(p)



Breakdown of Landed Volume North Shore - 2005(p)

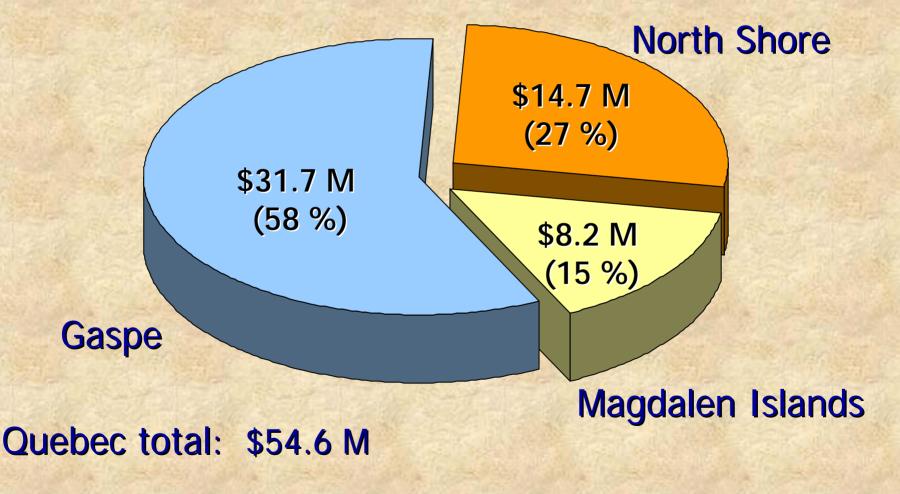


Breakdown of Landed Value North Shore - 2005(p)



Quebec total:\$140.3 MNorth Shore total:\$24 M

Value of Snowcrab Landings by Sectors 2005(p)



Snowcrab

	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 - 2005(p)
Volume	15,062 t	16,209 t	+ 8 %
Value	\$96.7 M	\$54.7 M	- 43 %
Average landed price	\$6.42/kg	\$3.37 /kg	- 48 %

In 2005, snow crab prices decreased owing to the combined effect of reduced demand and the higher Canadian dollar. Overall, the CAN\$ price on the U.S. market declined by roughly 30%. The price reached a high level in 2004, prompting a downward adjustment in the market in 2005.

Snowcrab

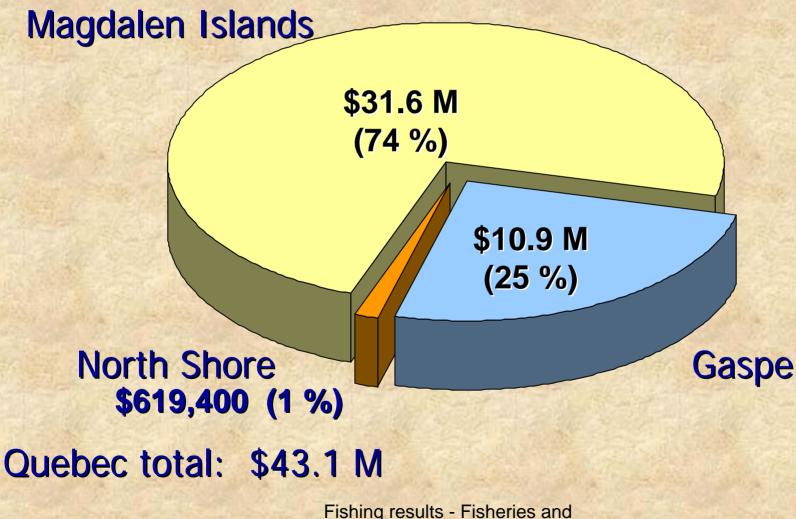
The CAN\$ price of snow crab destined for the Japanese market dropped about 25%.

The USA remained the principal market for Quebec snow crab exports in 2005, accounting for more than 85% of shipments.

Canada remained the largest world supplier of snow crab, with landings of 95,250 t.

Although the 2006 quota for Alaska is up, it is below the levels that existed before the sharp reduction implemented in 2000.

Value of Lobster Landings by Sectors 2005(p)



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Lobster

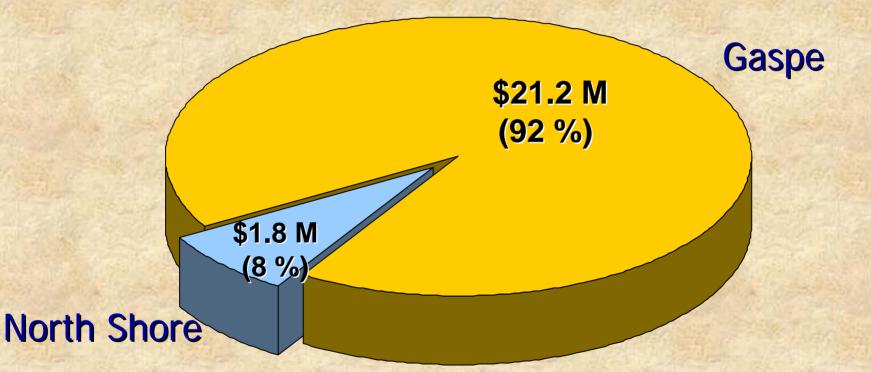
	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 - 2005(p)
Volume	3,325 t	3,175 t	- 4.5 %
Value	\$44.1 M	\$43.1 M	- 2 %
Average landed price	\$13.27/kg	\$13.58/kg	+ 2.3 %

Despite the drop in landed value from the 2004 level, 2005 stands out as one of the best years on record.

In the Magdalen Islands, landings and prices were stable in 2005.
 In the Gaspe, there was a decrease in landed volume, but its impact was softened by the higher landed price.

CAN\$ prices increased despite the strong depreciation in the U.S. dollar (down 9% in May and June).

Value of Gulf Shrimp Landings by Sectors - 2005(p)



Quebec total: \$23 M



	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 - 2005(p)
Volume	22,347 t	17,425 t	- 22 %
Value	\$29.1 M	\$23 M	- 21 %
Average landed price	\$1.29/kg	\$1.30/kg	+1%

Landings decreased by 22% despite the record level of the total allowable catch (TAC).

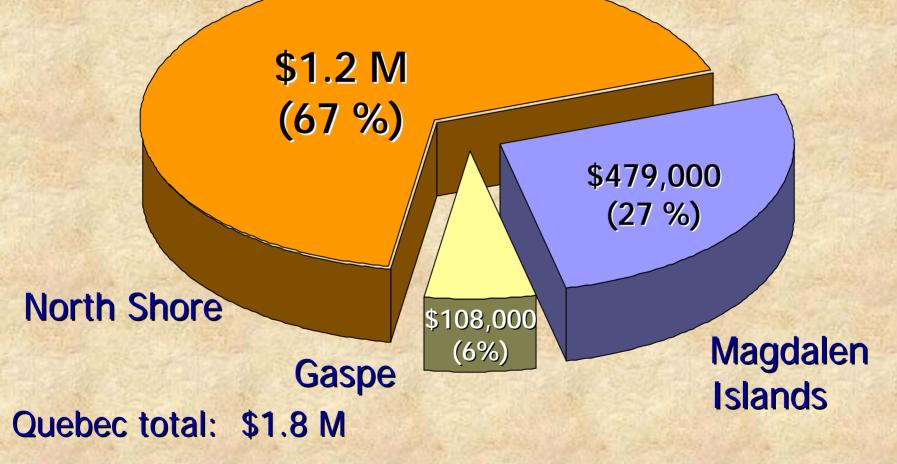
This decline is attributable to a dispute over landed price that arose between fishers and processors in the middle of the season.



The average landed price rose slightly because of the favourable price at the beginning of the season.

Prices for northern shrimp have fallen to record low levels on international markets.

Value of Scallop Landings by Sectors 2005(p)





	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 - 2005(p)
Volume	1,050 t	1,173 t	+ 12 %
Value	\$1.5 M	\$1.8 M	+ 20 %
Average landed price	\$12.78/kg (meat)	\$15.01/kg (meat)	+ 17.5 %

 North American scallop prices have risen, primarily because of the decline in U.S. scallop landings.
 Quebec scallop landings are up, thanks mainly to the 72% increase in the Magdalen Islands.



	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 - 2005(p)
Volume	1,521 t	2,155 t	+ 42 %
Value	\$1.98 M	\$2.1 M	+ 6 %
Average landed price	\$1.59/kg	\$1.16/kg	- 27 %

 Value of landings in the Gaspe = \$1.3 M. (Nearly 64% of Quebec total landed value).
 Value of landings on the North Shore = \$606,000. (Nearly 29% of Quebec total landed value).
 Value of landings in the Magdalen Islands = \$150,000. (Nearly 7% of Quebec total landed value).

Turbot (Greenland halibut)

	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 - 2005(p)
Volume	3,165 t	3,073 t	- 3 %
Value	\$6.6 M	\$6.3 M	- 4,5 %
Average landed price	\$2.18/kg	\$2,175/kg	-0,2 %

In the Gaspe, landed value totalled \$4.8 M. (nearly 76 % of Quebec total landed value).

Atlantic halibut

	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 – 2005(p)
Volume	149 t	153 t	+ 3 %
Value	\$842,000	\$855,000	+ 1,5 %
Average landed price	\$6.52/kg	\$6.68/kg	+ 2,5 %

In the Gaspe, landed value totalled \$548,000 (nearly 64% of Quebec total landed value).

Other flatfish

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American plaice Winter flounder * Witch flounder **Yellowtail flounder**

2004		2005(p)	Change 2004 – 2005(p)
Volume	680 t	677 t	- 0.5 %
Value	\$568,500	\$567,600	- 0.2 %

Herring

	2004	2005(p)	Variation 2004 – 2005(p)
Volume	6,527 t	5,215 t	- 20 %
Value	\$1.6	\$1.5 M	- 6 %
Average landed price	\$0.25/kg	\$0.28/kg	+ 12 %

Magdalen Islands: sharp drop in landings.
Gaspe: increase in landings.
In the Gaspe, landed value totalled \$981,000 (nearly 68% of Quebec total landed value).
World herring prices were up sharply in 2005.

Mackerel

	2004	2005(p)	Change 2004 – 2005(p)
Volume	1,618 t	1,012 t	- 38 %
Value	\$672,000	\$552,000	- 18 %
Average landed price	\$0.42/kg	\$0.55/kg	+ 31 %

Decrease in landings in the Gaspe and the Magdalen Islands.

Value of landings in the Magdalen Islands = \$381,000 (nearly 69% of Quebec total landed value).

European mackerel prices have risen in recent years because of the decline in world catches brought about by quota reductions.

Results of 2005 season - Quebec

Species	Volume (in t)	Value	and the second se	rence -2004) Value	Average landed price (\$/kg) (change 04/05)
Snowcrab	16,209	\$54.7 M	+ 8 %	- 43 %	\$3.37 (- 48 %)
Lobster	3,175	\$43.1 M	- 4.5 %	- 2 %	\$13.58 (+ 2.3 %)
Gulf shrimp	17,425	\$23 M	- 22 %	- 21 %	\$1.30 (+1 %)
Scallops	1,172	\$1.8 M	+ 12 %	+ 20 %	\$15.01 (+ 17.5 %)
Cod	2,155	\$2.1 M	+ 42 %	+ 6 %	\$1.16 (- 27 %)
Turbot	3,073	\$6.3 M	- 3 %	- 4.5 %	\$2.175 (- 0.2 %)
Atlantic turbot	153	\$855,000	+ 3 %	+ 1.5 %	\$6.68 (+ 2.5 %)
Flatfish	677	\$567,600	- 0.5 %	- 0.2 %	and the second second
Herring	5,215	\$1.5 M	- 20 %	- 6 %	\$0.28 (+ 12 %)
Mackerel	1,012	\$552,000	- 38 %	- 18 %	\$0.55 (+ 31 %)

