A REVIEW ON THE MARINE FISHERIES RESOURCES AS USED FOR SURIMI RAW MATERIALS IN VIETNAM

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4 Trawlable Areas:

•The Tonkin Gulf: 17°30 to the North

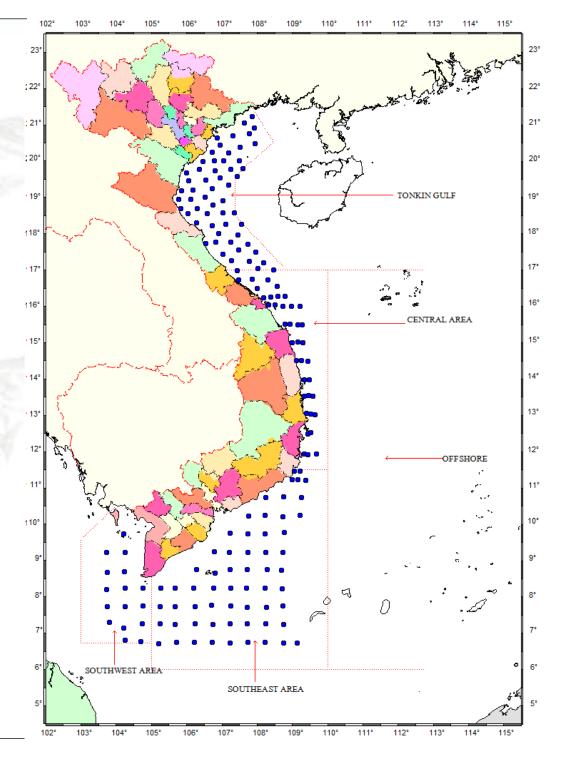
Central Area: 11°30N to 17°30N

•Southeast Area: 11°30N to the South

and 105°00 to the East

•Southwest Area: 150°00E to the West

Bottom Trawl Surveys were conducted in 2004 and 2005 covering all trawl-able waters of Vietnam



Species as used for Surimi raw materials

- Lizard fish (Synodontidae)
 - Lizard fish is widely distributed in the continental shelf of Vietnam with high concentration in the gulf of Tonkin and the southeast waters
 - The group mainly comprises of genus: Saurida, Trachinocephalus and Synodus.
 - Total biomass of the Lizard fish was estimated about 100 thousand tons in 2004; decreased sharply in the survey in 2005, to be 57 thousand tons
- Threadfin beam (Nemipteridae)
 - The main threadfin bream species caught in Vietnamese waters including Nemipterus peronii, N. bathybius, N. nemurus, N. mesoprion, N. virgatus, N. tambuloides, N. japonicus and N. marginatus.
 - Distributed mostly in the middle of the Tonkin gulf and edges of the southern waters
 - The trawlable biomass was estimated approximately 40 thousand tons in 2004 and 30 thousand tons in 2005

Croaker (Sciaenidae)

- The most economically important species are Greyfin croaker (Pennahia anea), Silver croaker (P. argentata), Big head pennar croaker (P. macrocephalus), Pawak croaker (P. pawak) and Belanger's croaker (Johnius belangerii
- Mainly distributed in the mouth of the Tonkin gulf and shallow waters of the southwest area
- Total biomass was estimated about 11 thousand tons in 2004 and increased to be over 18 thousand tons in 2005 based on the bottom trawl surveys

Goat fish (Mullidae)

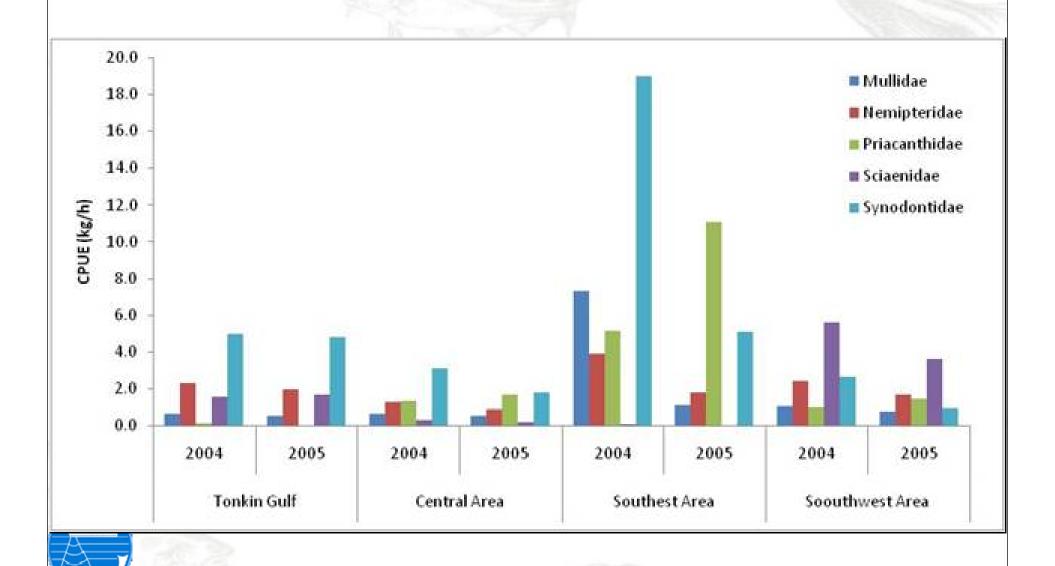
- Mainly comprised of Bensasi goat fish (Upeneus bensasi),
 Goldband goatfish (U. moluccensis), Freckled goatfish (U. tragula)
 and Sulphur goatfish (U. vita).
- Distributed in high concentration in the southeast area
- Trawl-able biomass was estimated approximately 36 thousand tons in 2004 and sharply dropped in 2005 to be 17.6 thousand tons

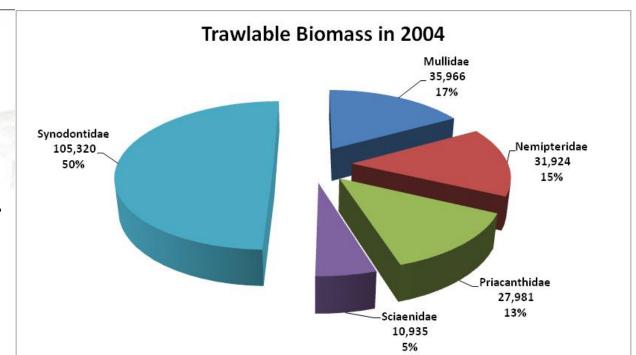
Red big eye (Priacanthidae)

- The most popular species of Red big eye group (Priacanthidae) are Red big eye (*Priacanthus* macracanthus) and Purple spotted big eye (*P. tayenus*)
- Distributed widely in Vietnamese waters especially in the southeast area
- Total biomass was estimated to be 28 thousand tons in 2004 and increased to over 37 thousand tons in 2005.

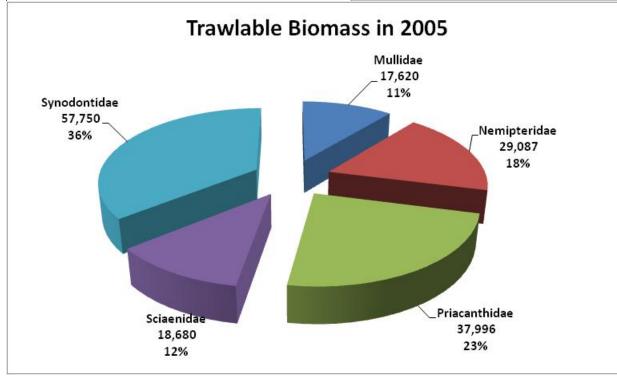


Mean CPUE of fish families in different areas based on the bottom trawl surveys in 2004 & 2005

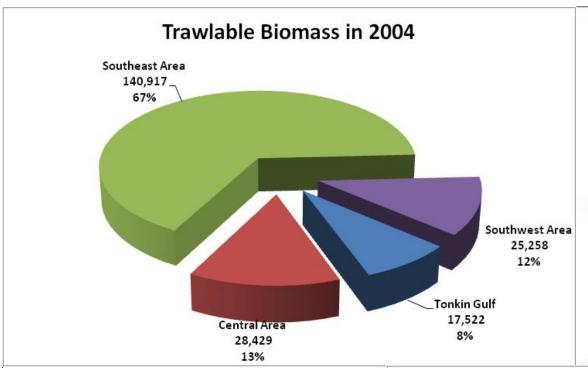




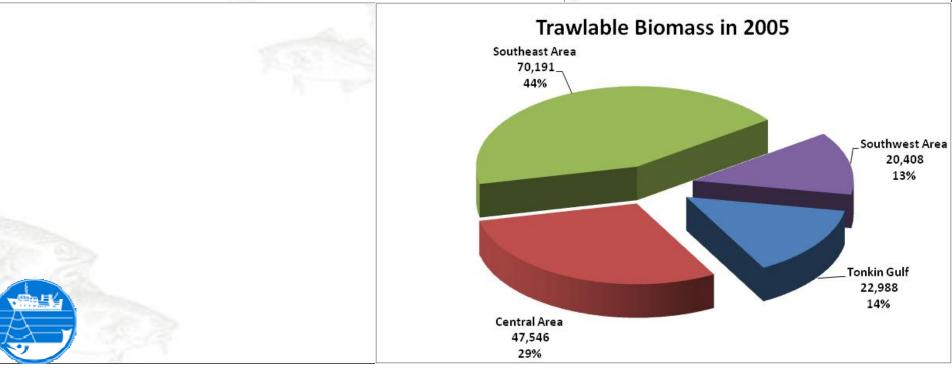
~ 210 thousand tons in 2004



~ 160 thousand tons in 2005



Regional biomass stratified



Catch rate of fish groups at sampling stations SURVEY 2004 SURVEY 2005 CPUE distribution (kg/h) CPUE distribution (kg/h) of Fish Families used as Surimi Raw Materials Nemipteridae

Thanks for your attention!