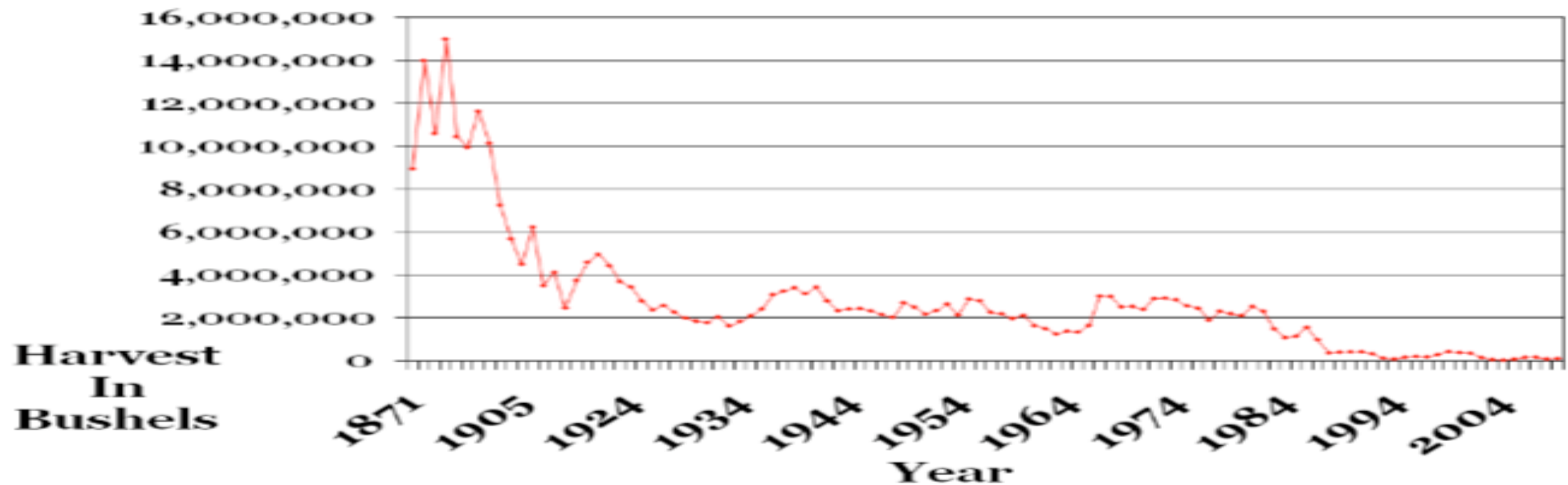


Status of Population and Industry

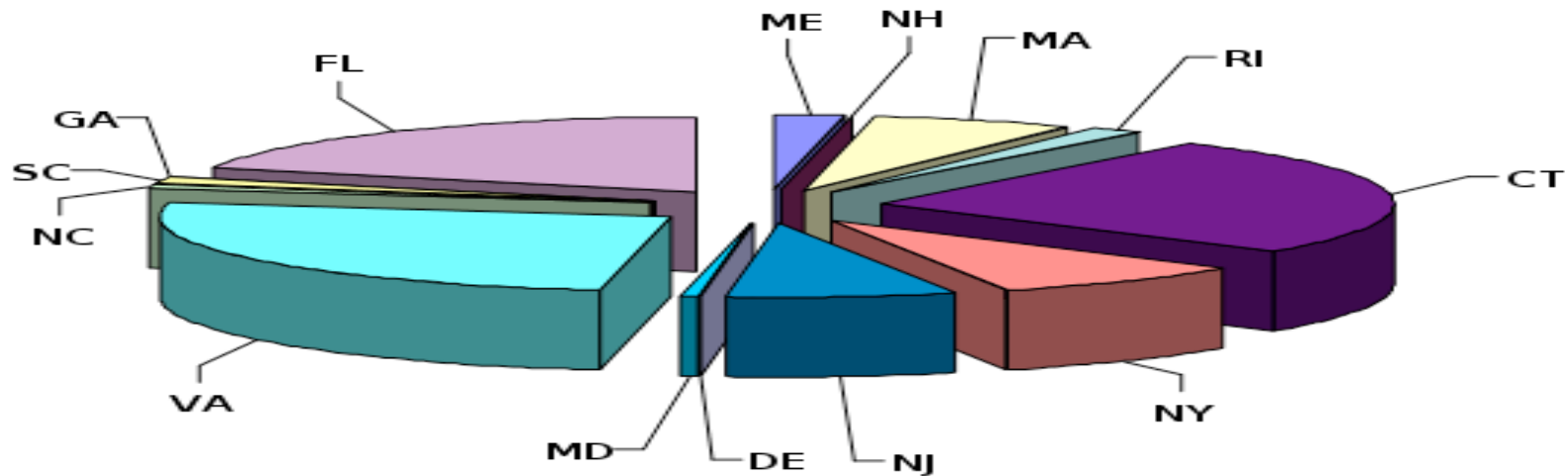


The number of harvesters has declined from nearly 4,000 in 1990 to 651 in 2009/2010- only 389 of whom have reported any oyster harvest so far.

Oysters harvested from Chesapeake Bay decreased from over 2 million bushels/year in the 1980's to just over 180 thousand bushels in 2009-2010 with a dockside value of approximately \$4.5 million.

Overall adult abundance in 2008-2009 was approximately 3.5 billion oysters, 1% or less of the historic population.

Shellfish Aquaculture on the Eastern seaboard \$100,000,000 total



Questions?