



Opportunities and challenges for fishery by-products and by-catches to contribute to the supply of aquaculture feed ingredients.

A study based on the British fishery-aquaculture continuum.

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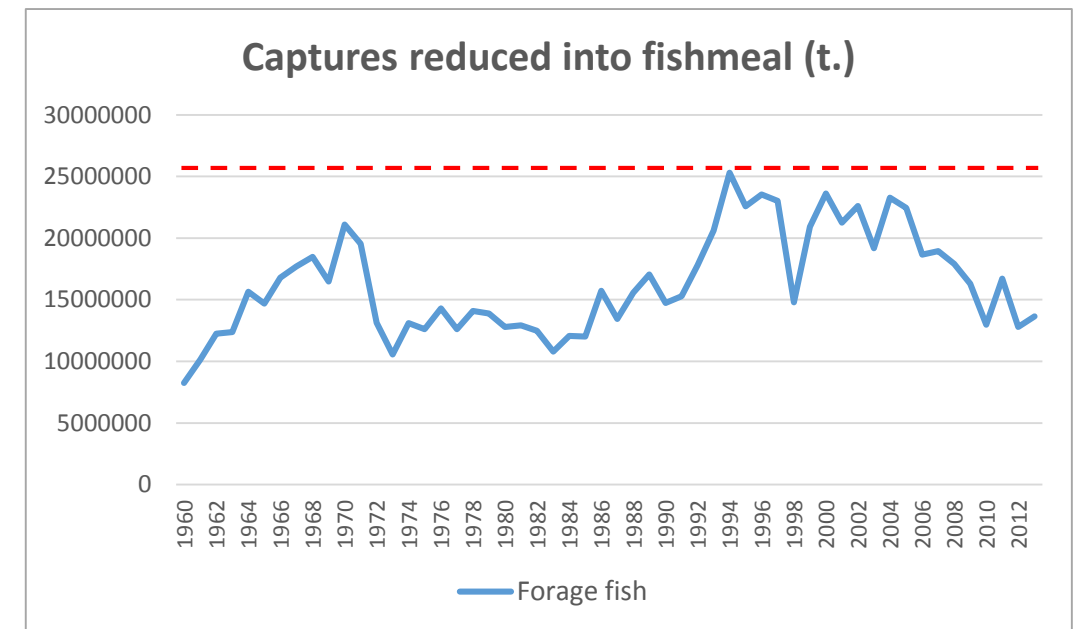
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Why should we use by-products?

- **Aquaculture:** + 70 million tonnes by 2050.

- **Need resources:**
industrial fisheries fully exploited.
- **Substitution with veg. ingredients:**
cannot replace all the fish meal.
- **Alternative:**
fish by-products to make fish meal (35% in 2012).

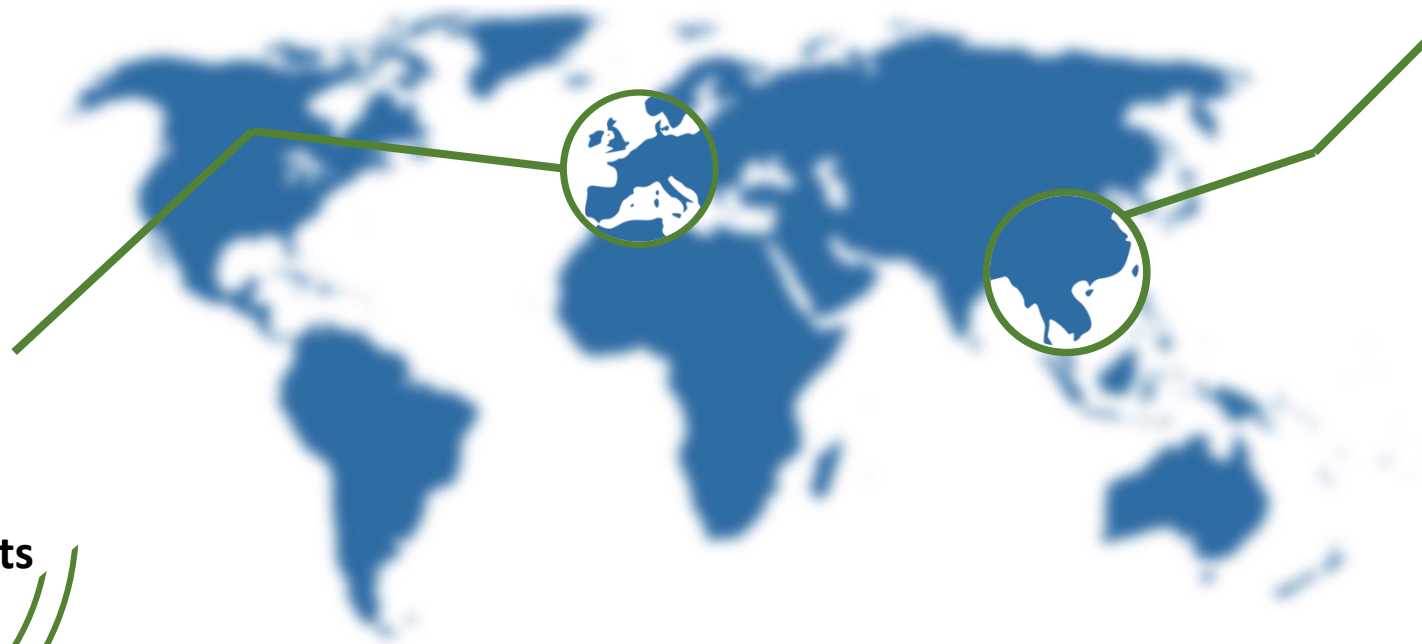


Are there more by-products?

- **Previous study of IFFO & IoA (2016):**
 - identify further supplies to make fish meal.

Fish could be more highly processed in the factories.

Opportunities for using fisheries by-catch and by-products produced at sea.



An economic study for this year:

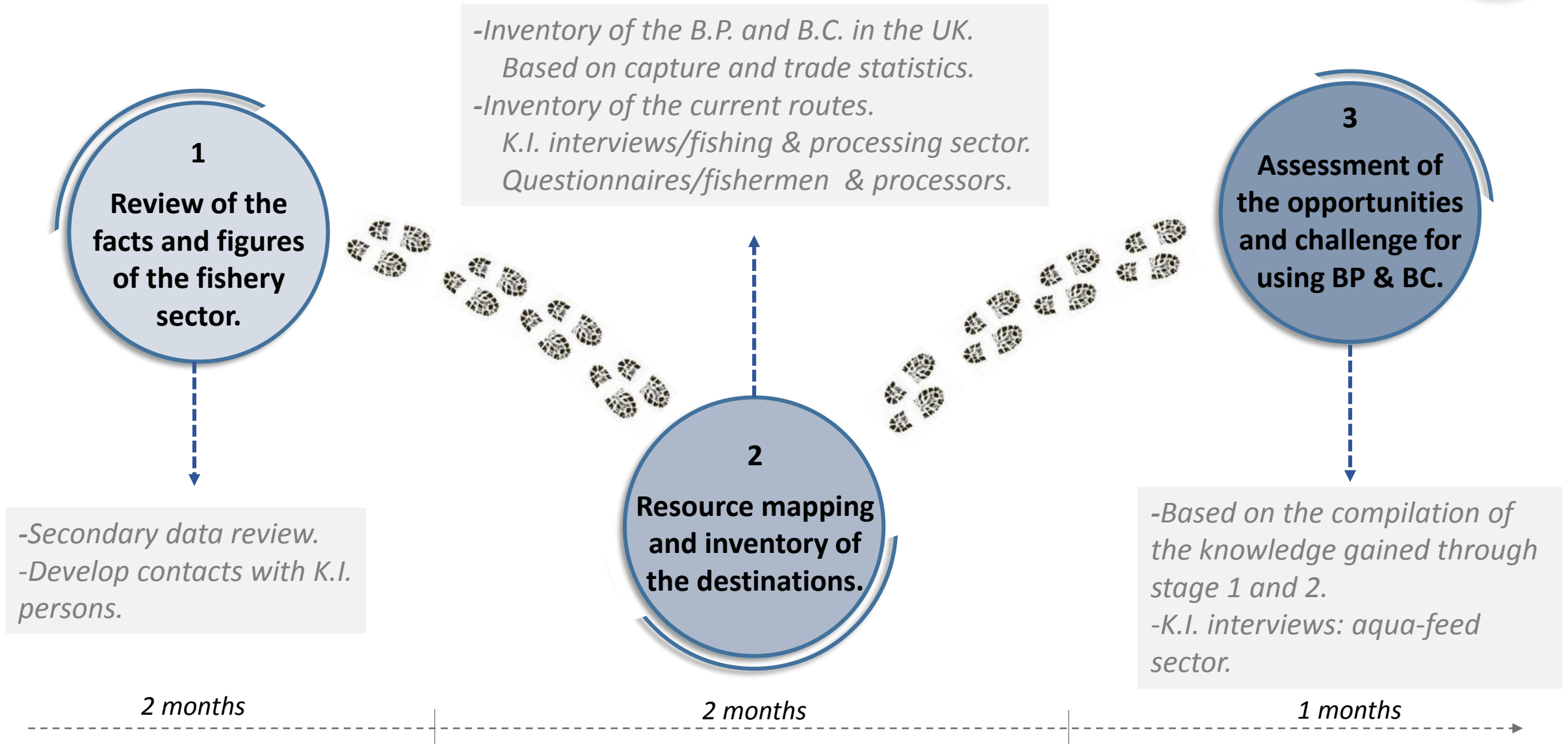
- **1 objective:**

- Fill knowledge gaps: look at detailed data to establish the facts and figures when it comes to use fishery by-products and by-catch for aquafeed ingredients in a given location.

- **These information are essential in the way that:**

- Provide IFFO's members with a summary of the opportunities and challenges for using fishery by-products and by-catch as aqua-feed ingredients.
- Develop a methodology based on the UK that is transferable to other countries.

Our approach in 3 key milestones:



By-products and by-catches?

- Produced at sea and on-shore:



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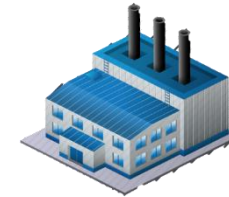
By-catch:

- *No market value.*
- *No right to land it.*

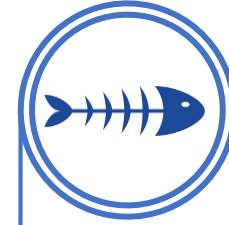


1st processing b.p.:

- *Non-edible portion.*
- *No market demand.*



ON SHORE

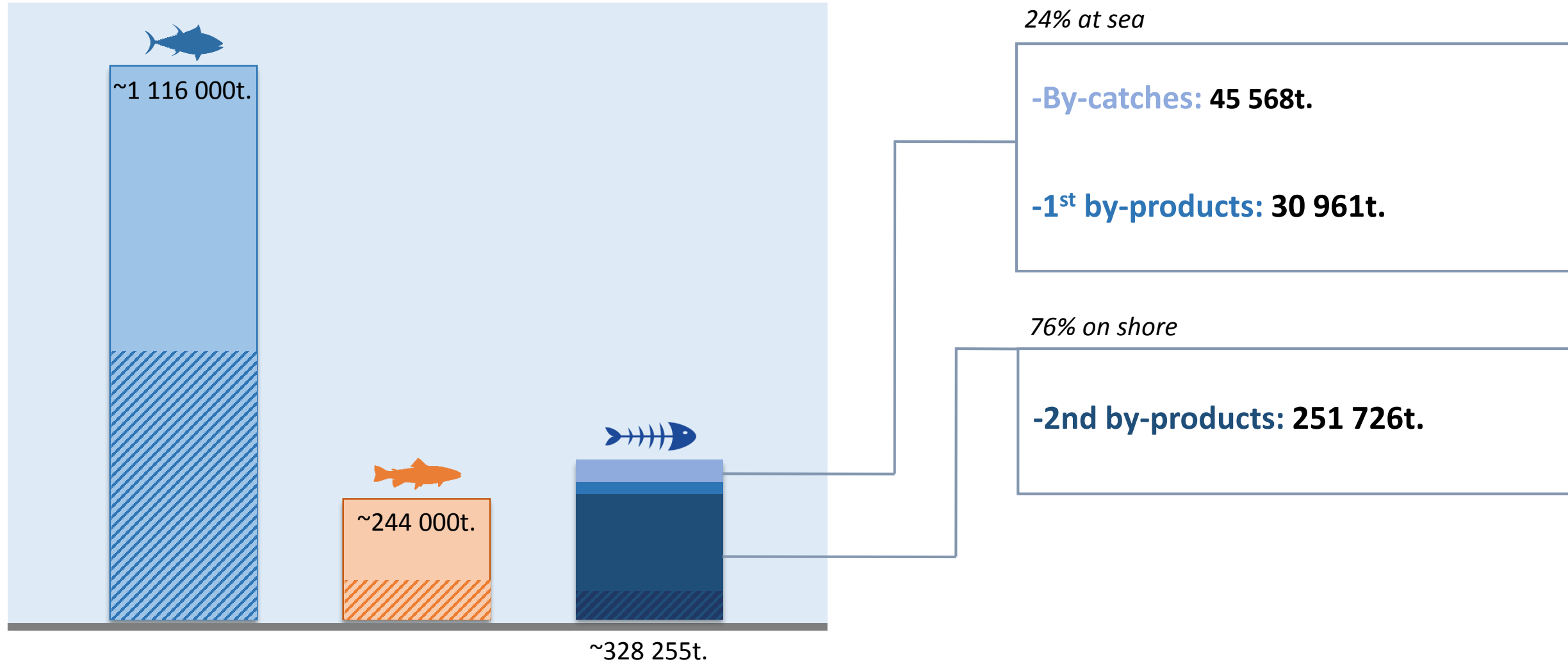


2nd processing b.p.:

- *Non-marketable portion.*
- *No market demand.*

Volumes of B.P. & B.C. in the UK (2014):

Resource
mapping and
inventory of the
destinations.



*Imports.

*Results from our national statistics analysis: 4360 vessels, 333 processors.

Current routes for B.P. & B.C.:



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At sea: all discarded.

- Market:** price offered for FM too low.
- Logistic:** more convenient to discard.

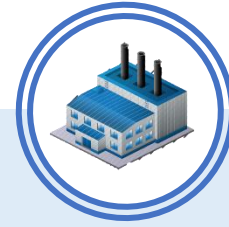
~75 000t. of fish products
discarded at sea.

~30 961t.

1st by-products.

~45 568t.

By-catches.



ON SHORE

On-shore: current uses, low value added or cost.

- Fish meal:** ~(+) \pounds 80/T.
- Disposal:** ~(-) \pounds 50-120/T.
- Few remaining:** geographically constrained.

~251 726t.

~180-190 000t. reduced into fishmeal.

~20-70 000t. shells wastes disposed.

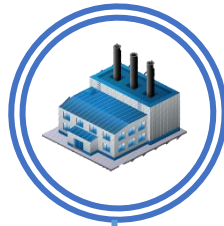
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First observations:

- **Utilised resource in the UK: poorly valued, going to fishmeal, only option.**
- **Under-utilised resources/ economic constraints:**

ON SHORE



**In remote areas or for small volumes,
expensive to collect for FM producers.**

AT SEA



**Lack of economic incentive to land
the 1st by-products & by-catches.**

Study on higher-value upgrading options:

- Fish protein hydrolysates production (FPH):

Much stricter requirements for sourcing raw materials:

- 1) Need mono-specific whereas fish meal will take up anything as long as it swims.
- 2) Much more advanced & complex production: need consistency in the volume, composition and freshness.

Suitability for the fishery industry?



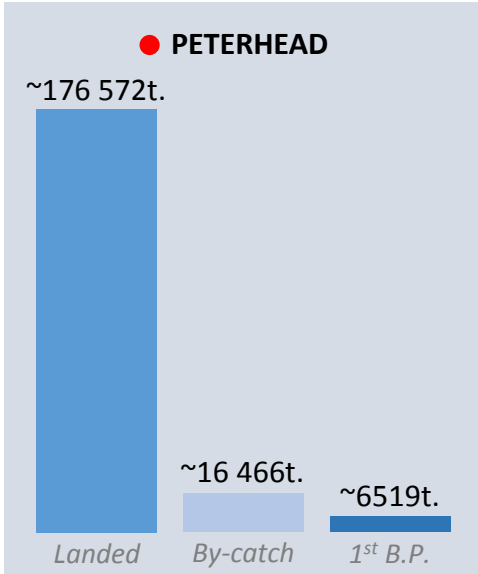
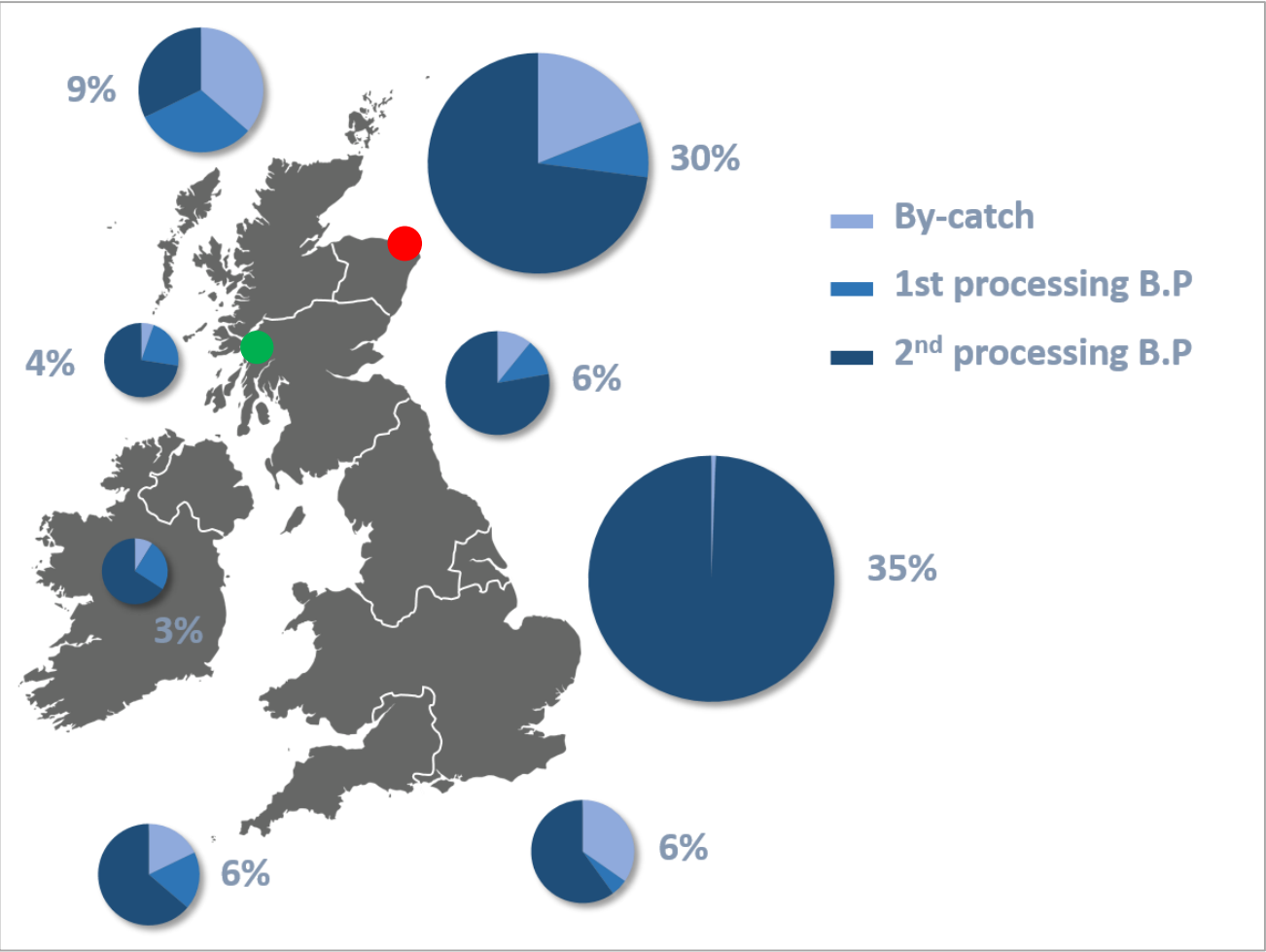
A single product suitable for FPH.



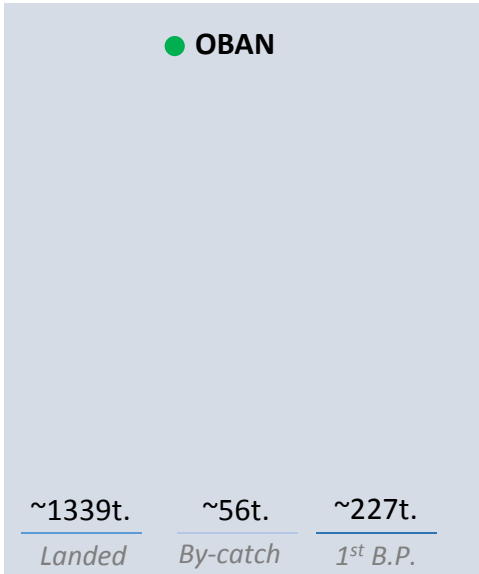
Diverse species and products going for fishmeal.

Regional disparities: 1st B.P. & B.C.

Regional repartition of the total B.P. & B.C. in the UK:



>95% of fish products



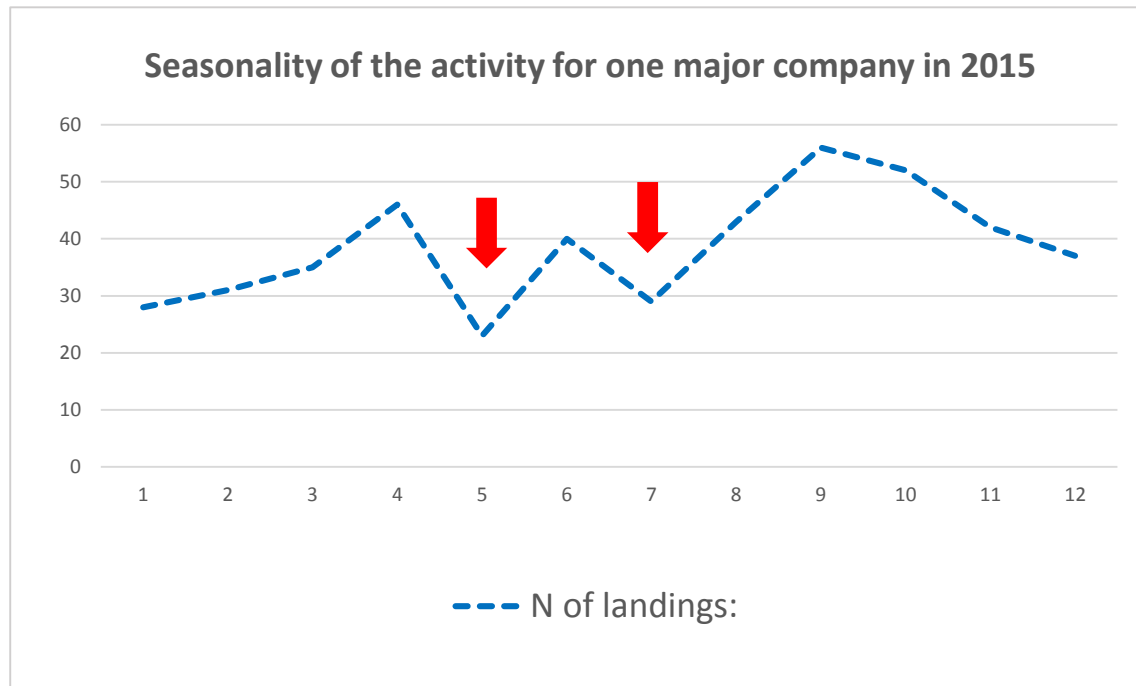
>97.5% of shellfish products

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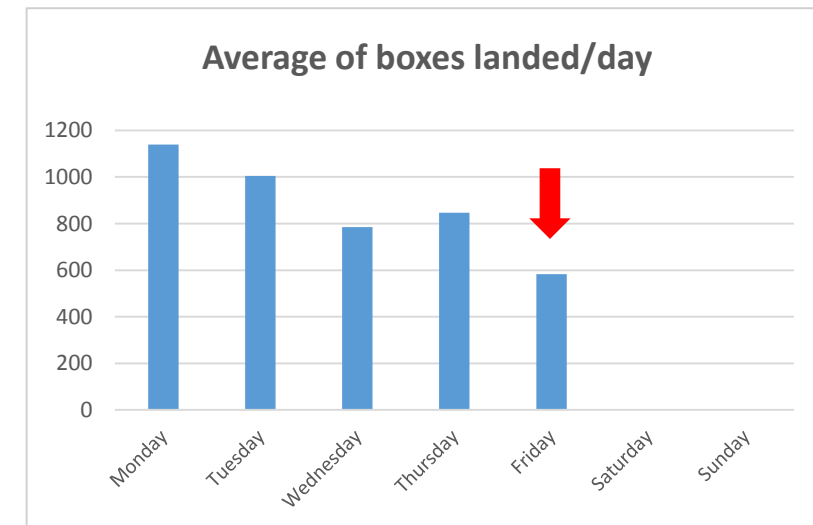
Inconsistent volumes: 1st B.P. & B.C.

- Results from our boat-scale analysis in Peterhead: fleet of 23 demersal trawlers.

Seasonally



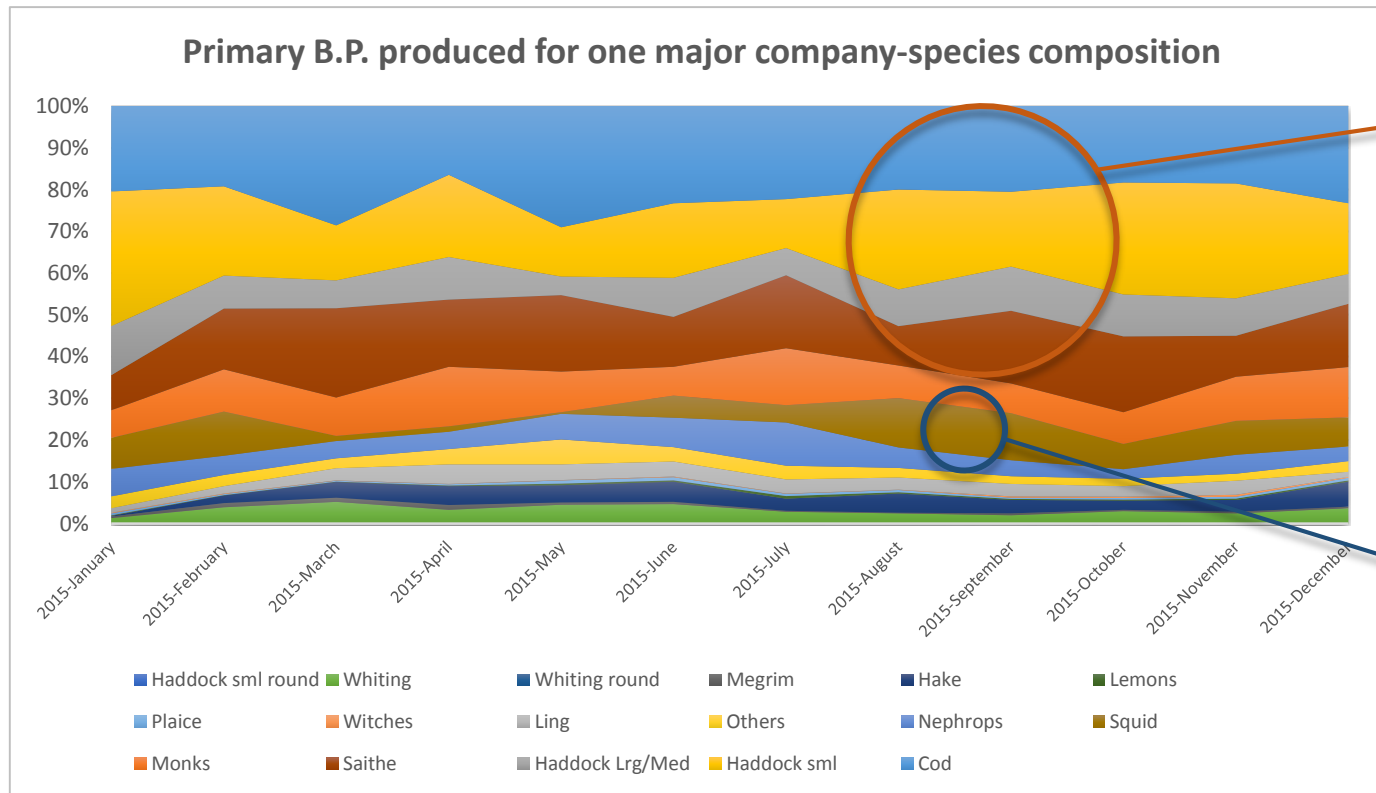
Weekly



**Results from our boat-scale analysis in Peterhead: 23 vessels.*

Inconsistent composition: 1st B.P. & B.C.

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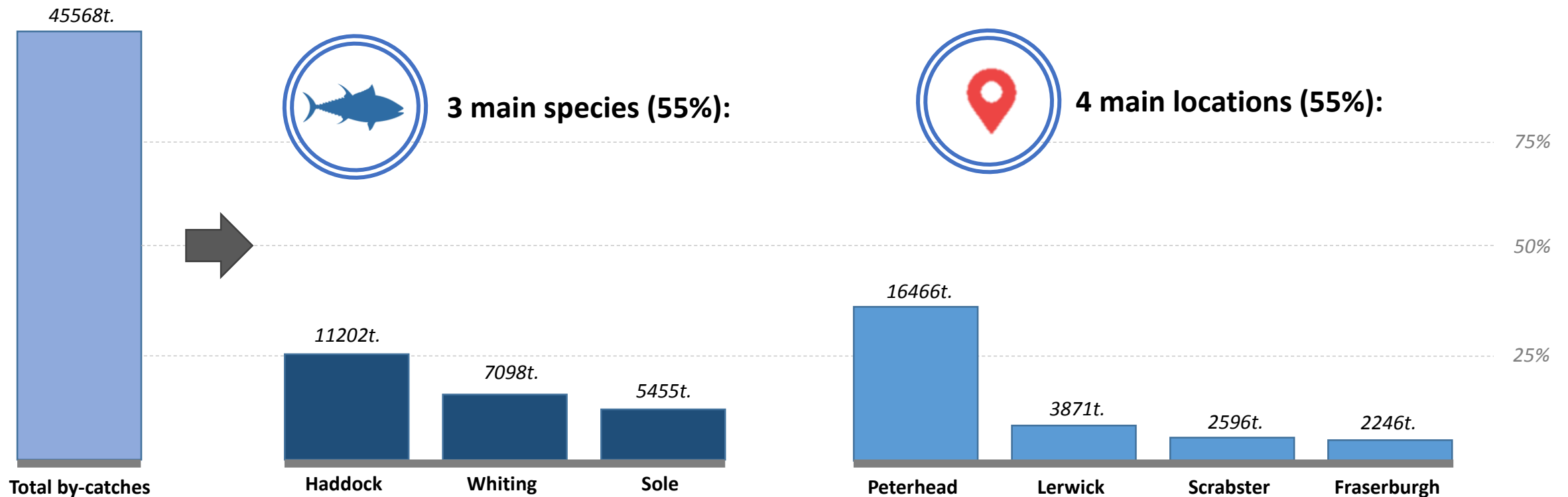
Some fishermen are traditional in their target species: haddock, cod, anglerfish, etc.

Some are more varied in their target species: squid.

**Results from our boat-scale analysis in Peterhead: 23 vessels.*

Opportunities for by-catches:

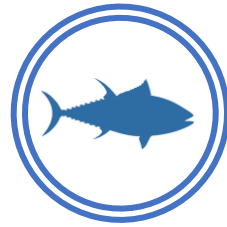
- Landing obligation of the by-catches:
 - Implementation of a discard ban from 2016 to 2019 in the EU
(Article 15, CFP regulation 1380/2013).



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Opportunities for 1st B.P. :

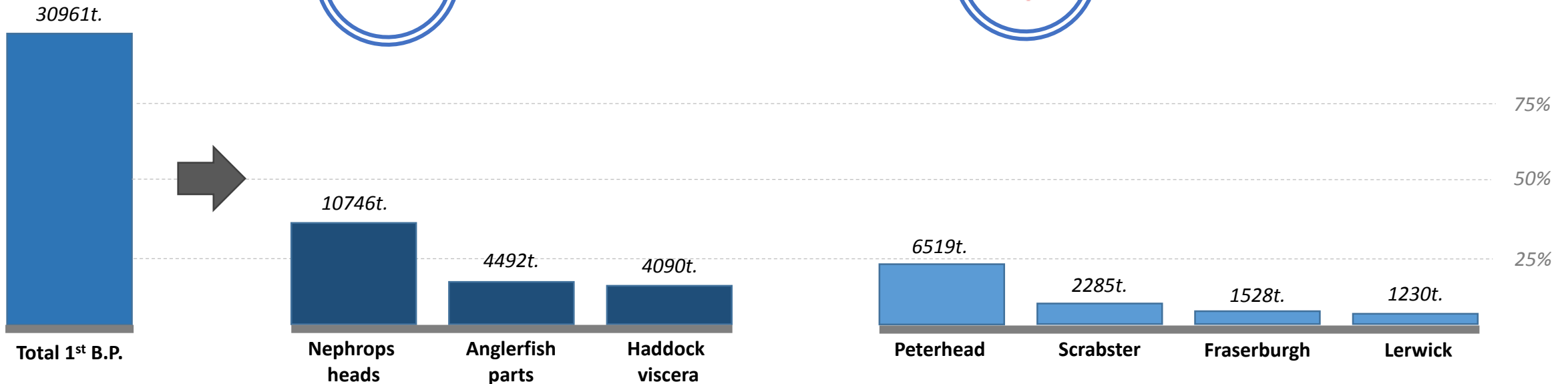
- Not counted against quotas:
 - Can land as much as we want.
 - The 23 vessels in PD: 49% empty on average in 2015 (3850t. of overcapacity).



3 main species (62%):



4 main locations (37%):



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Research gaps.

- **Optimise consistency:** solutions to mitigate the constraints implied to B.P. & B.C. derived from multiples sources and species, at different seasons.
- **Optimise quality:** solutions to ensure the preservation of the B.P. & B.C. on-board.
- **Avoid wastage:** bring innovative solutions to shellfish wastes.
- **Support constrained locations:** develop tailored approaches and cost-effective models to improve the utilization of small and geographically remote fishery B.P. & B.C. (*e.g. West of Scotland*).

Recommendations

- **Look site by site:** Clear mapping of locations where there are opportunities for implementing circular models between the fishery sector and aqua-feed sector in the UK.
- **Network well:** promote collaborative works with the fishery organisations to have access the information.
- **Bring the stakeholders together:** call for greater collaborations between the two sectors to develop innovative and adapted upgrading processes and business models.

Thank you.

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