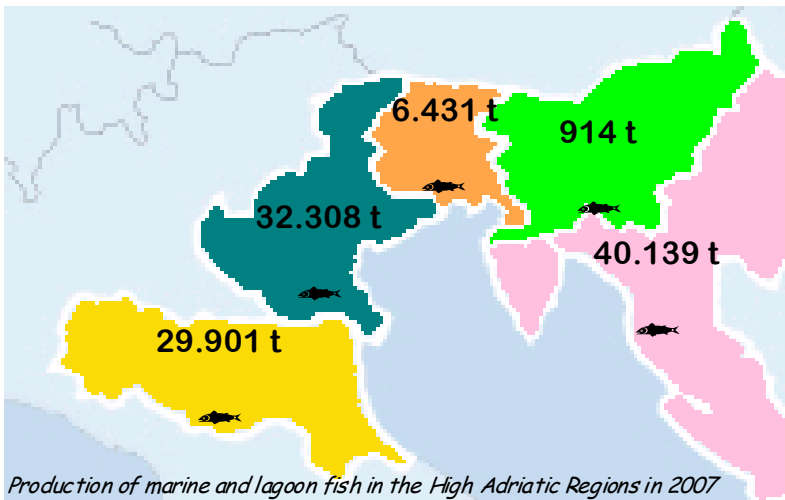


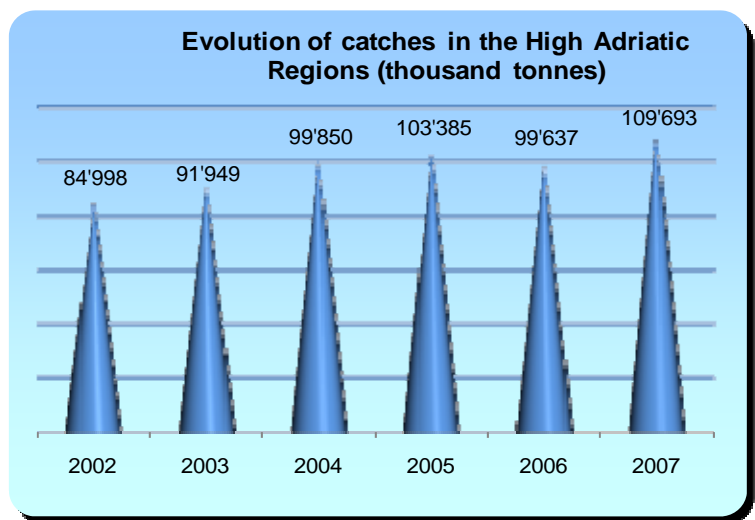
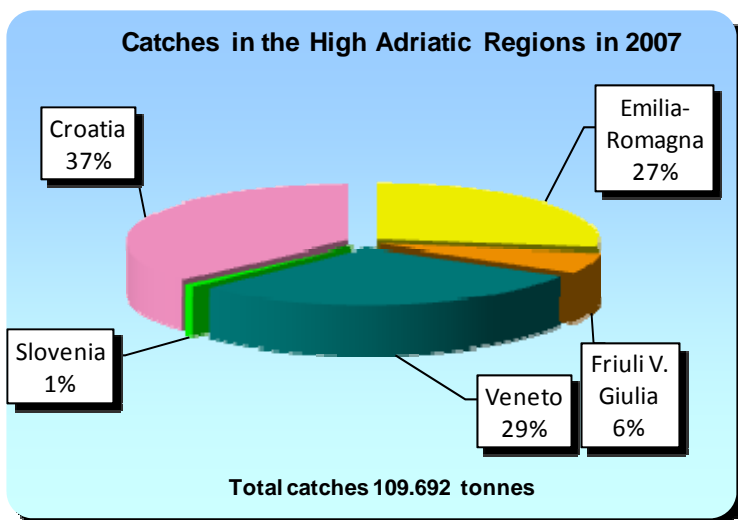
MARINE AND LAGOON PRODUCTION IN THE HIGH ADRIATIC - 2007



In this issue of our newsletter, we will once again be discussing the production of marine and lagoon fish in the High Adriatic regions, with the aim of providing a general picture of the trend of catches and profits registered over the past few years, with specific reference to 2007. For the Italian regions, the survey carried out by official source Irepa (Istituto di Ricerche Economiche per la Pesca e l'Acquacoltura) has been taken into consideration. As for the two Balkan regions, the data refer to those collected by the respective National Statistics Institutes: for Slovenia, the databank on the fishing sector established by the Statistical Office of the Republic of Slovenia; for Croatia, the data provided by the Central Bureau of Statistics of the Republic of Croatia.

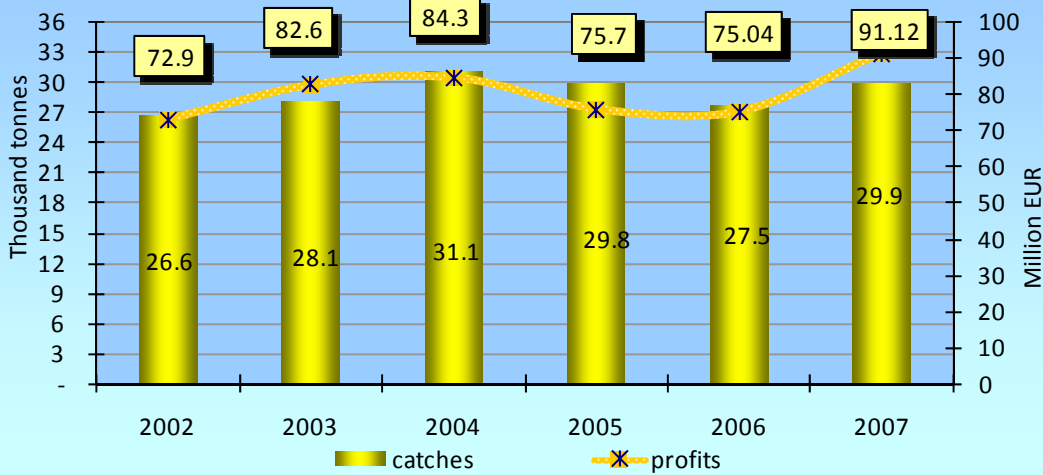
Production of marine and lagoon fish in the High Adriatic Regions in 2007

In 2007, catches of fish in the High Adriatic regions totalled around 109 thousand tonnes, a 10% increase compared with the previous year. More specifically, Croatia most affected the overall total with 37%, followed by Veneto with 29% and Emilia-Romagna with 27%. Friuli Venezia Giulia and Slovenia contributed with 6% and 1%, respectively. Analysis of the evolution of catches from 2002 to the last datum available underlines a fluctuating trend in production performances, indicating higher values in 2005 and 2007.



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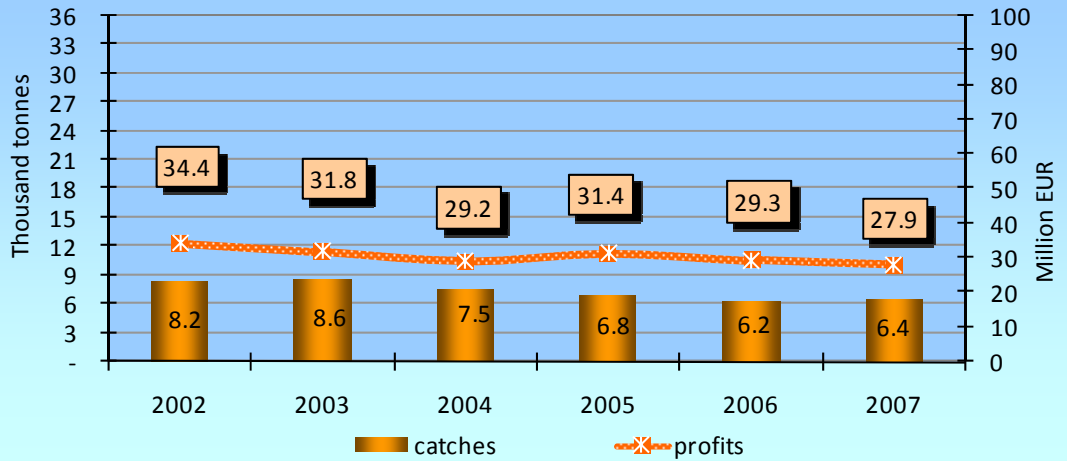
Catches and profits in Emilia-Romagna



The trend of catches and the profits registered for Emilia-Romagna from 2002-2007 highlights a fluctuating situation with variable results. Over the past year there have been increases of 9% in the amount of fish caught and 22% in profits.

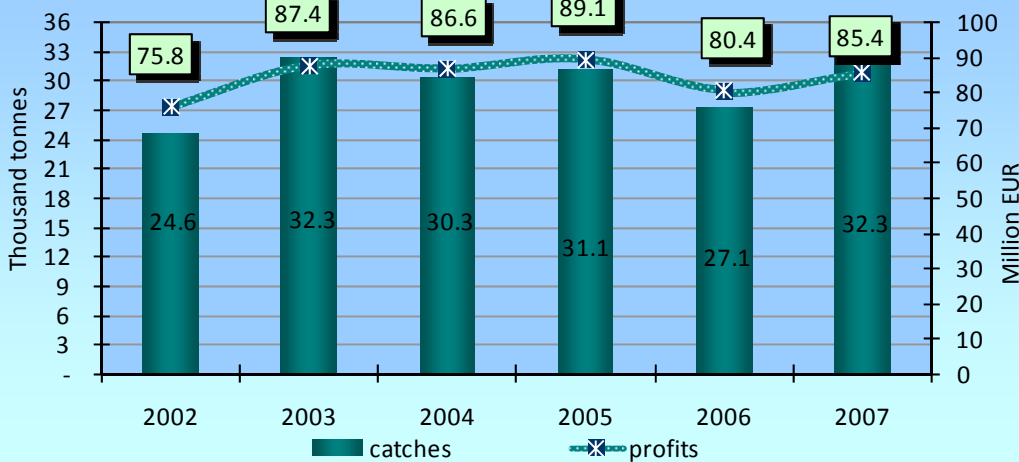
For Friuli Venezia Giulia, the situation is essentially stable, with slight variations in the profit trend. The diminishing trend of the catches is interrupted only by the results achieved in 2003 and 2007 which were positive compared with the previous period. As for the last survey, a 4% increase in catches and a 5% drop in profits have been registered.

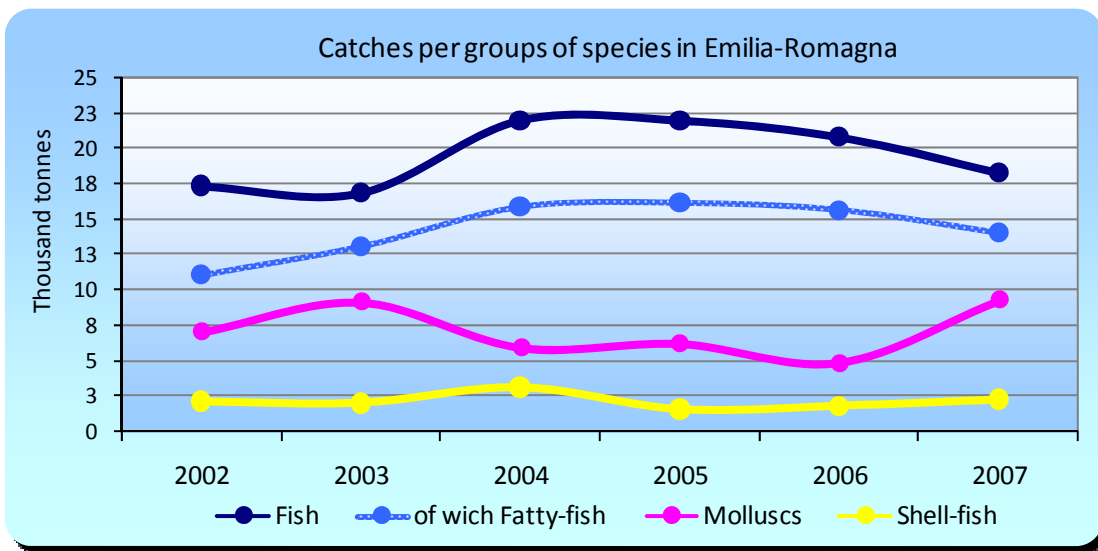
Catches and profits in Friuli V. Giulia



In Veneto, the evolution of the catches and profits during the period considered fluctuates, with particularly good years in 2003, 2005 and 2007 and rather low values registered for 2002 and 2006. In 2007, there was a 19% increase in catches and 6% in profits. Analysis of the graphics shows how the best performances in the three regions occurred at completely different times.

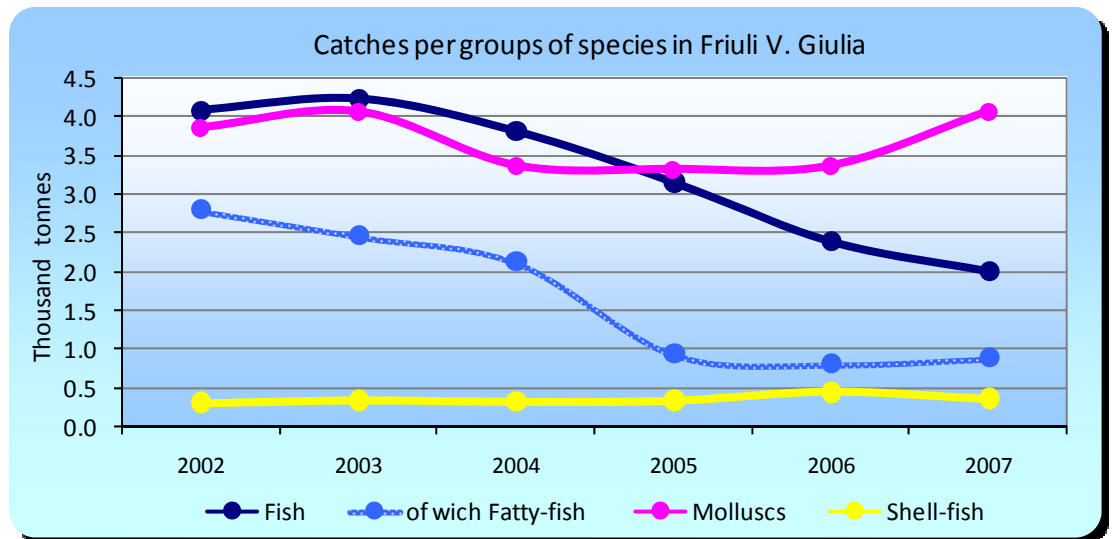
Catches and profits in Veneto



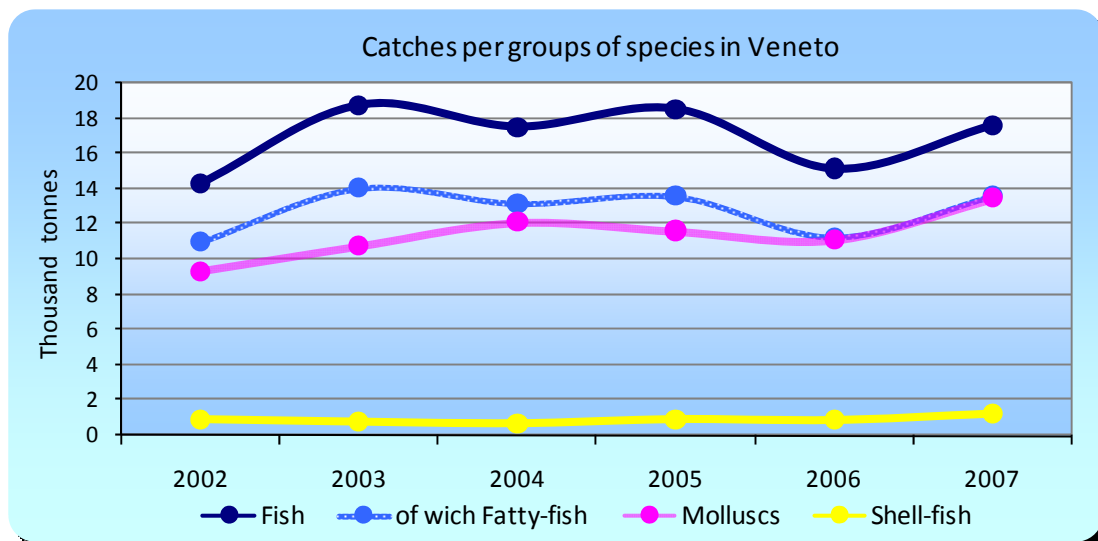


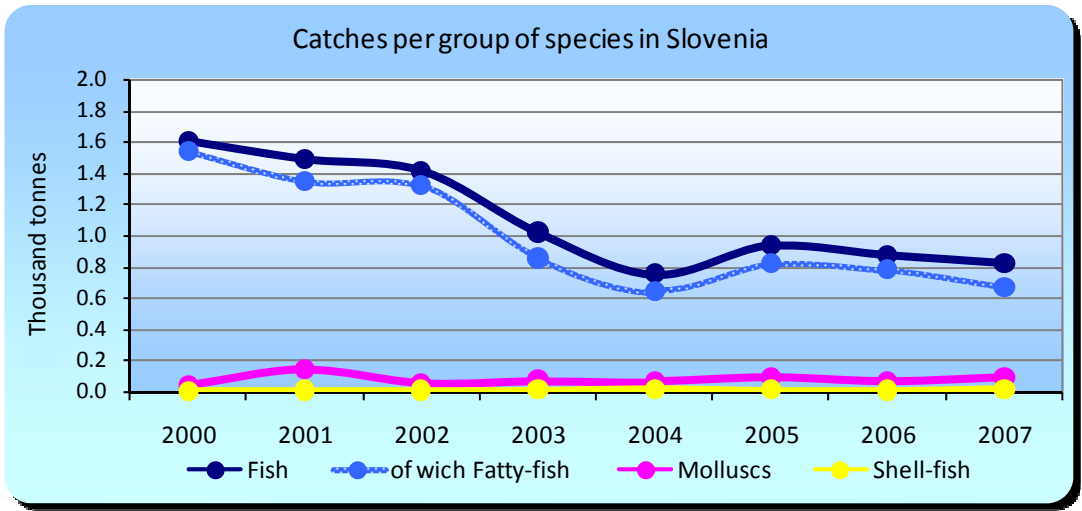
The quantities of fatty fish have rescaled considerably, although they represent 47% of the total fished in Emilia-Romagna over the past two years. In fact, from the over 16 thousand tonnes registered in 2005, figures dropped to 14 thousand in 2007. The increase in the percentage of molluscs has been considerable, rising by 91% in 2007, while the amount of shellfish caught remains stable.

The picture is significantly different for catches in Friuli Venezia Giulia, dominated by molluscs, which represent 63% of the catch, 21% increase compared with the previous year. After the drop registered until 2005, fatty fish has remained stable over the past two years. A significant decrease (-16%) has been registered for non fatty fish.



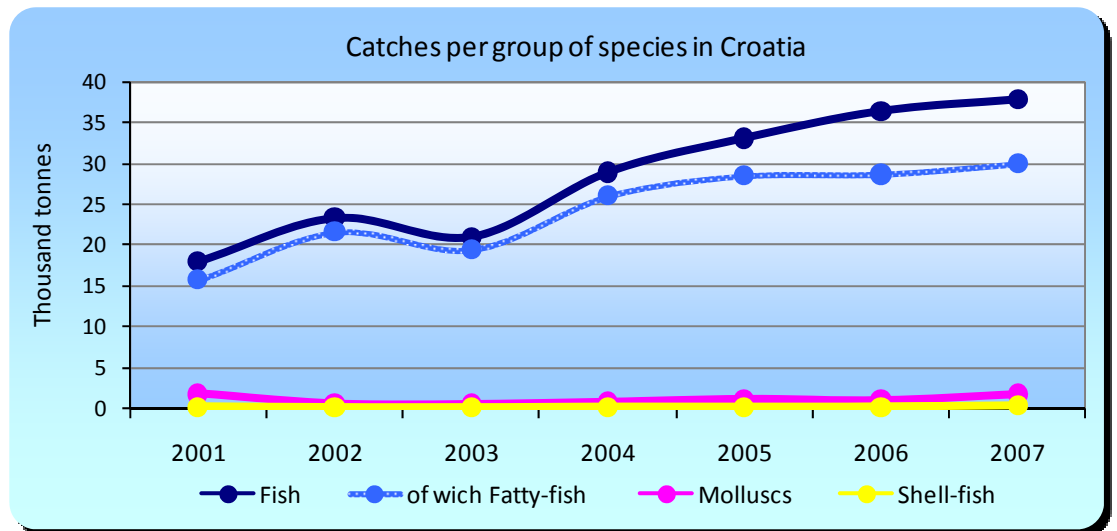
Compared with the other two regions, the evolution of Venetian catches per groups of species appears to follow the fluctuating trend of the overall quantity, in which the drop in total production reflects on the proportional drop in all four entries highlighted. In 2007, there was a significant increase in all the groups of species, particularly the 21% increase in molluscs which reached the figures registered for fatty fish. Shellfish are basically stable.





From 2000 to 2007, there was a progressive drop in quantities fished in Slovenia, especially for fish and fatty fish. Catches of molluscs and shellfish were constant. The fact that the scale of values is much lower than that of the other regions considered must be taken into account.

As for Croatian catches, there has been a steady increase in the fish caught from 2001 to the present day, whilst the increase in fatty fish, which continues to represent 75% of the total fished, is less marked. Shellfish and molluscs also remain stable, although at much lower levels.



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