



Atlantic Coast-Wide Discussions:

How to Address Species Migration Northwards?

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Overview



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- **Blueline Tile & Other SG Species Initiated Effort; Cobia show need for cooperative solutions**
- **SAFMC discussed during SG 9/17 Committee Mtg.**
 - *Review of Catches (incl. w/Attachment 1)*
 - *Short- & Long-term Steps States/Feds can take*
 - *Agreed to discuss further*



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- **11/15-16/17 NE Regional Coordination Council (NRCC) Meeting**
 - *See Attachments 1 & 2 (page 5 for shifting stocks)*
 - *3 Councils agreed: Group of Councils' Chairs, VC & ED*
 - *Meet informally web/phone; 1st @ 2/18 CCC Mtg.*
 - *Reviewed True Lead, Admin. Lead & Joint Plans*
 - *SAFMC asked to research process to extend mgmt. jurisdiction northward as done for mackerels/cobia*
 - *Group interested in exploring; vote @ committee level*



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- **March 2018 SAFMC Meeting:**
 - *Gregg/Charlie presented results of Group's discussions*
 - *Direction to Staff:*
 - *Explore how CMP was expanded*
 - *Develop a List of Priority Species*
 - *Invite NEFMC & MAFMC to September 2018 mtg.*



Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Management of Deepsea Corals

- **MOU between NE, MA & SA FMC; June/July 2013:**
 - *Establish framework for coordination & cooperation to protect deep-sea coral ecosystems*
 - *Each Council responsible for mitigation of fishery impacts within their area of authority*
 - **Seek continuity among coral-related MMs**
 - **Share data/information**



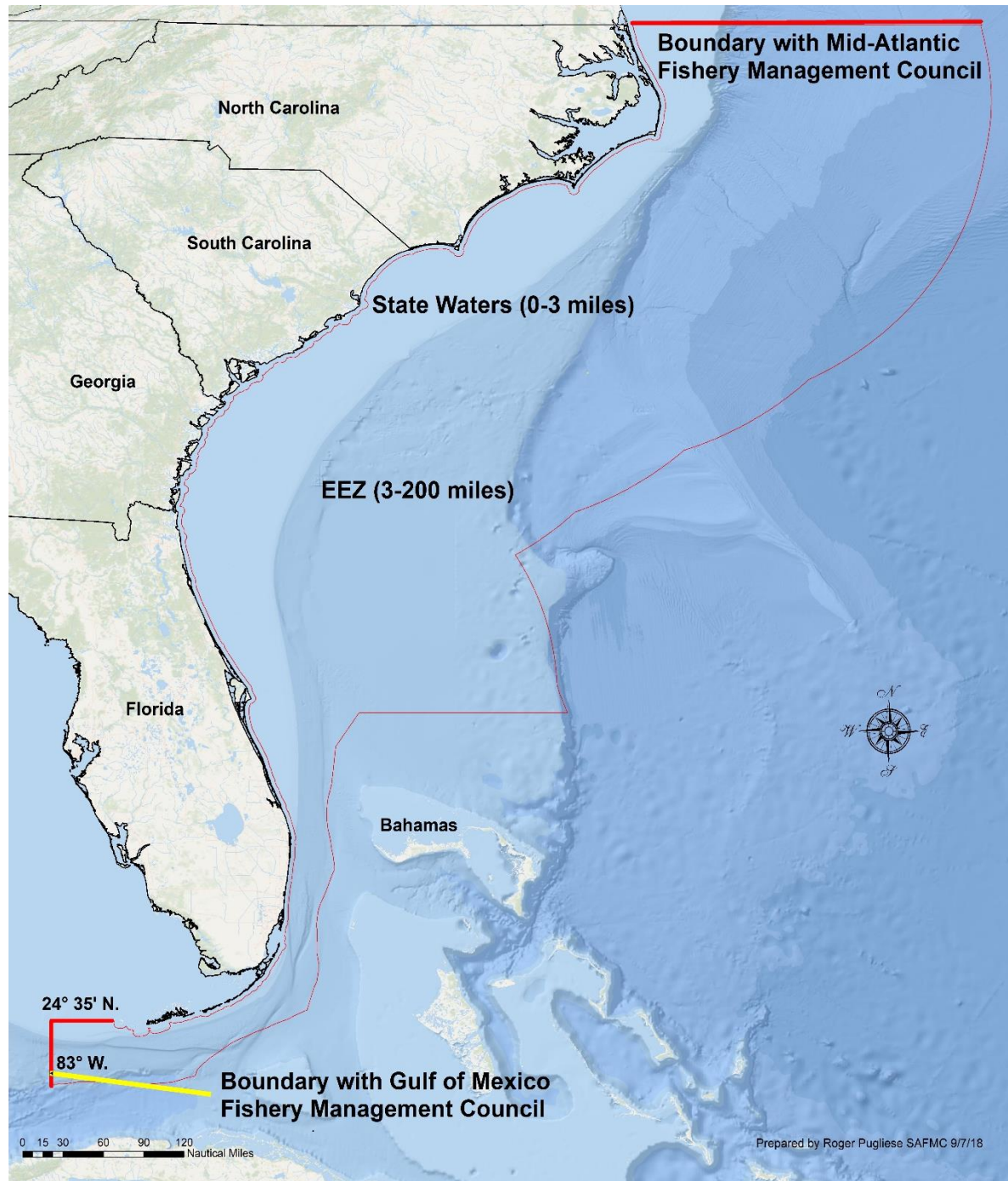
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- **Councils will contribute to coord. mgmt. efforts:**
 - **NEFMC/MAFMC share info/data incl. PDT products**
 - **MAFMC staff &/or MAFMC liaison to NEFMC will attend NEFMC Habitat PDT & Oversight Com. Mtgs. relevant to corals**
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 - **SAMFC will advise NEFMC & MAFMC on coral & deepwater ecosystem issues based on past experience & lessons learned**

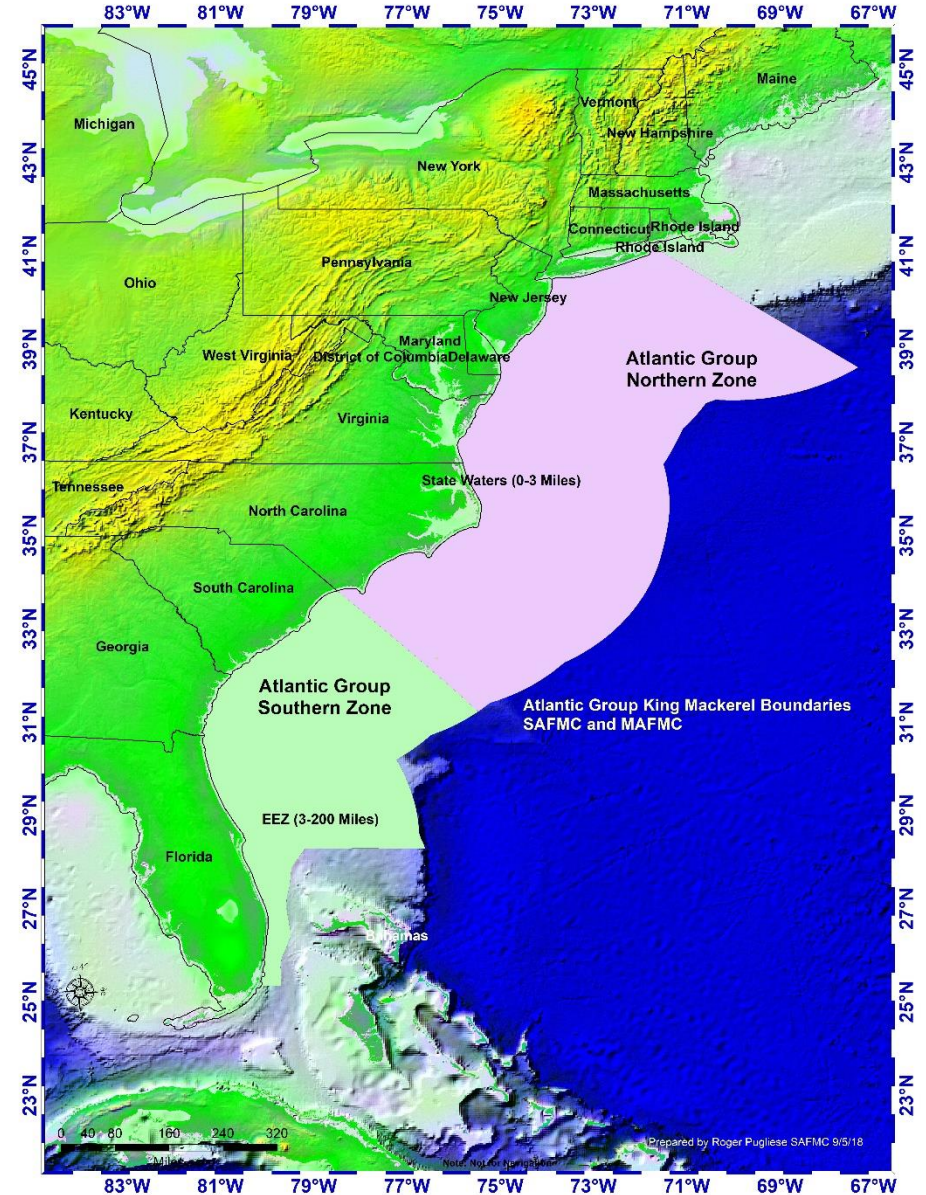
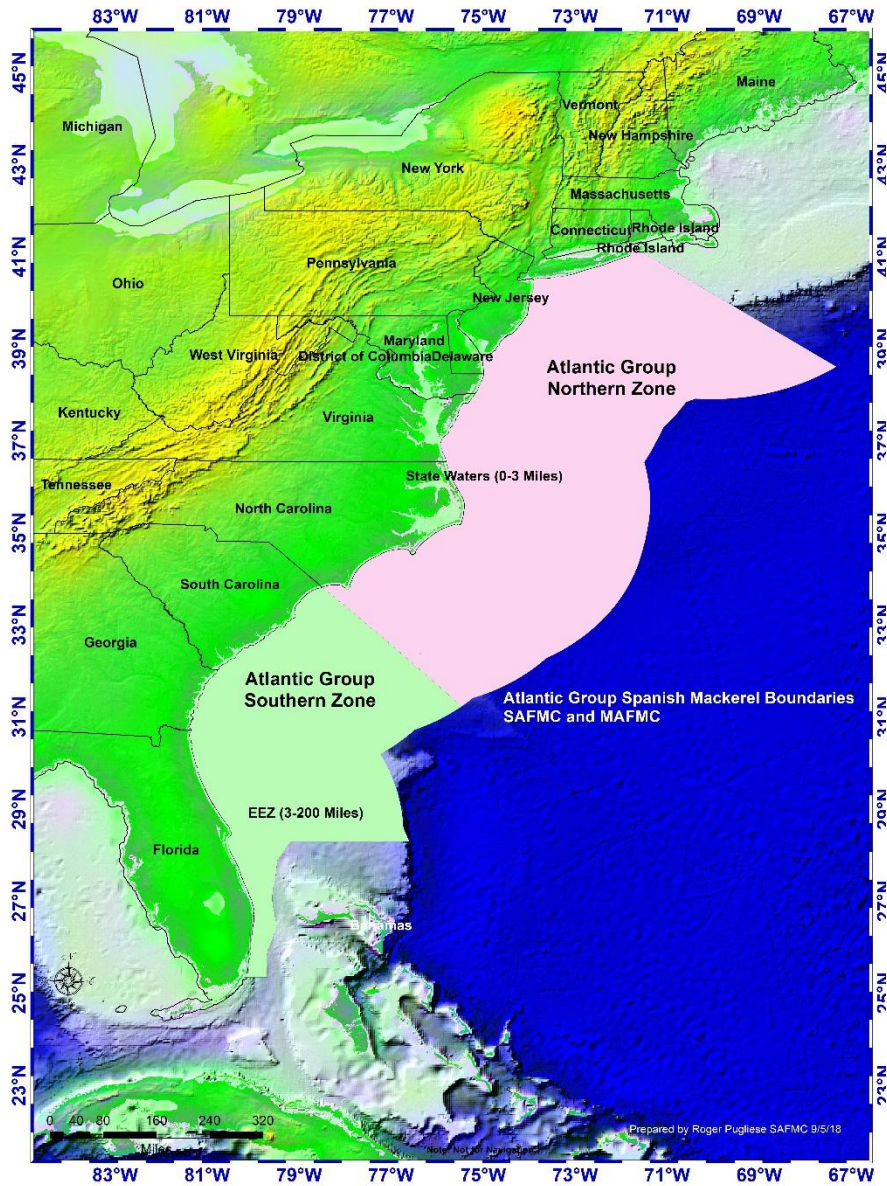




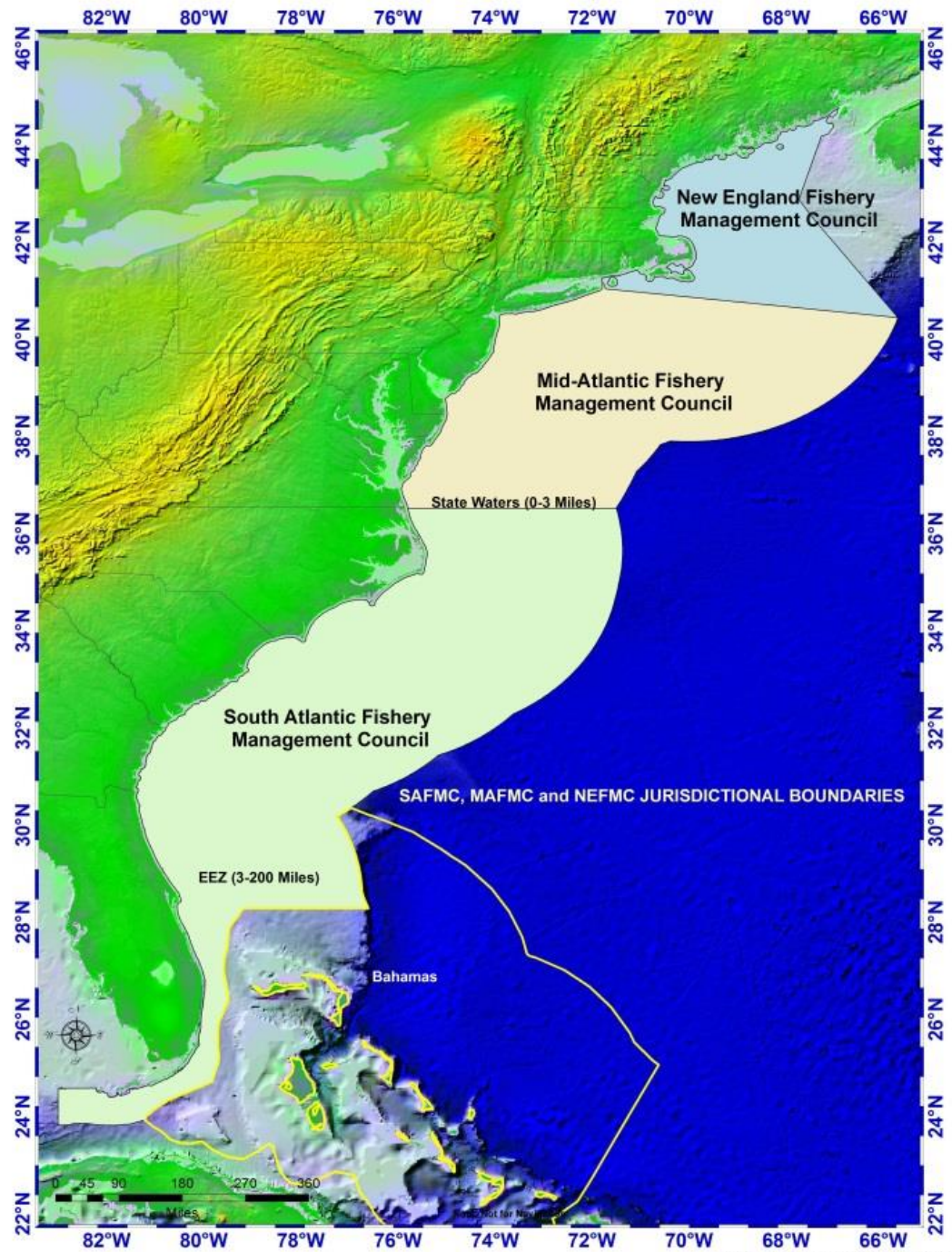
South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Jurisdictional Boundary



Atlantic Group King Mackerel and Atlantic Group Spanish Mackerel Boundaries



**Atlantic Dolphin Wahoo Fishery
Management Plan Boundaries
*SAFMC, MAFMC and NEFMC***



Priority Species?

- Coastal Migratory Pelagics (King/Spanish Mackerels)
 - Include NEFMC area
- Snapper Grouper OPTION 1: – all except BSB & Scup??
 - Not blueline or golden?
- Snapper Grouper OPTION 2:
 - Develop a list of individual species?



How was CMP FMP Extended thru MA?

- **Mackerel Amendment 5 (1990):**

<http://archive.gulfcouncil.org/Beta//GMFMCWeb/downloads/MAC%20Amend-05%20Final%201990-03.pdf>

- *Council (3/90); NOA 3/28/90; PR 4/20/90; FR 7/19/90 and effective 8/20/90*
- **Extend the management area for Atlantic groups of mackerels through the Mid-Atlantic Council's area of jurisdiction (Action 1; pages 2-4); 13 other actions in amendment**



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2.2.1 Area for Management

Federal regulation pursuant to this plan will apply to coastal migratory pelagic fishes in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) within the jurisdiction of the Gulf and South Atlantic Councils but only to Atlantic migratory groups of king and Spanish mackerels within the jurisdiction of the Mid-Atlantic Council. However, maximum sustainable yield and optimum yield are based on the stocks in the U.S. EEZ, the territorial sea, and internal waters of the various states. Consequently, the allocations to various gear types include catches both from the EEZ and waters landward thereof. The states bordering the areas of jurisdiction of the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Mid-Atlantic Councils are urged to adopt regulations which are compatible with those applying in the EEZ.

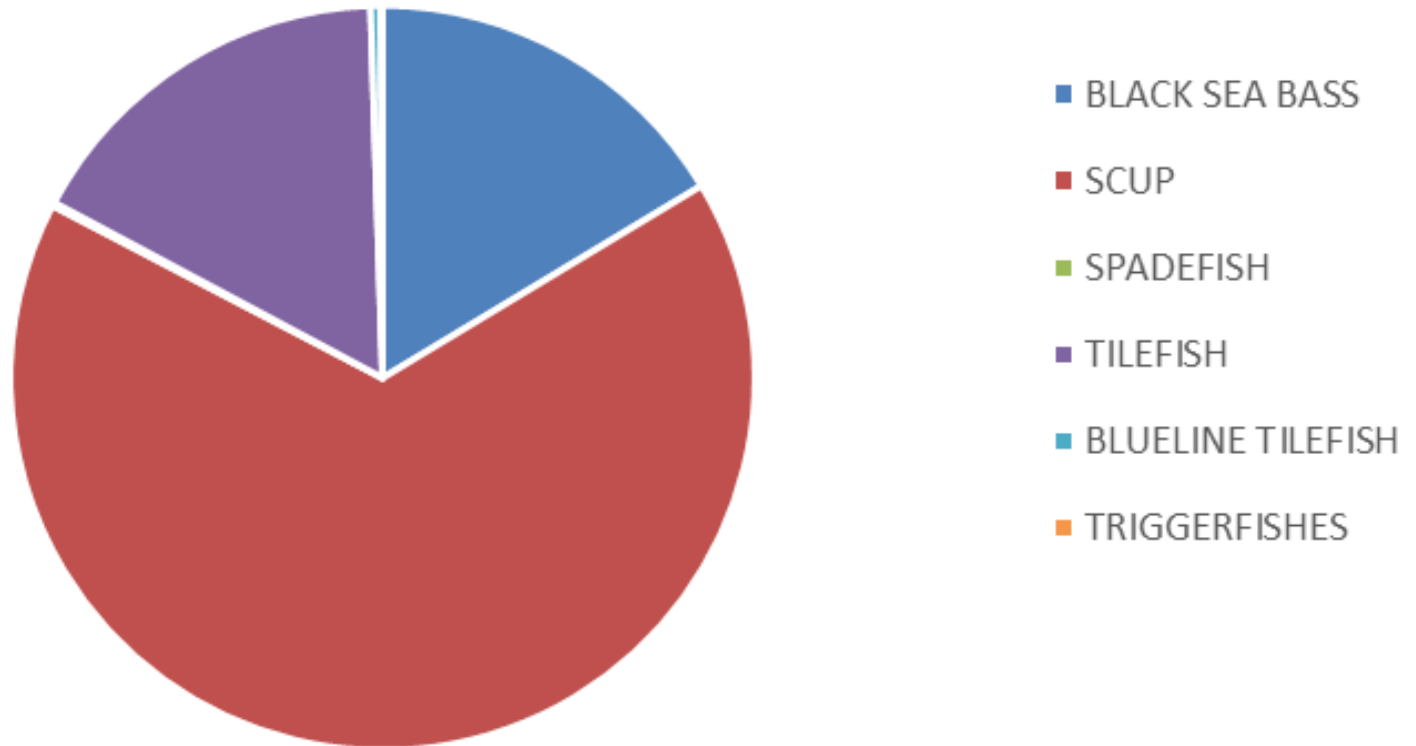


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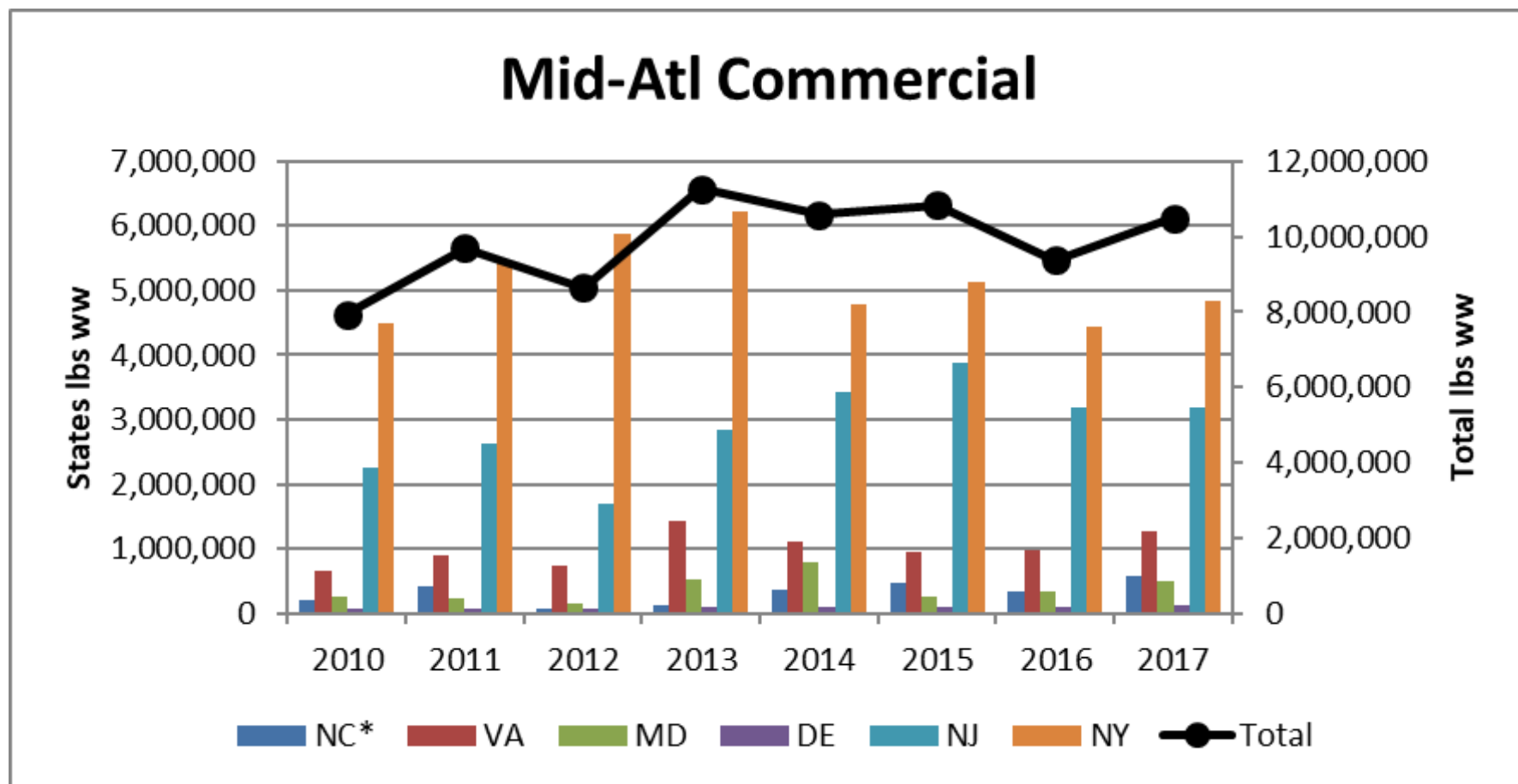


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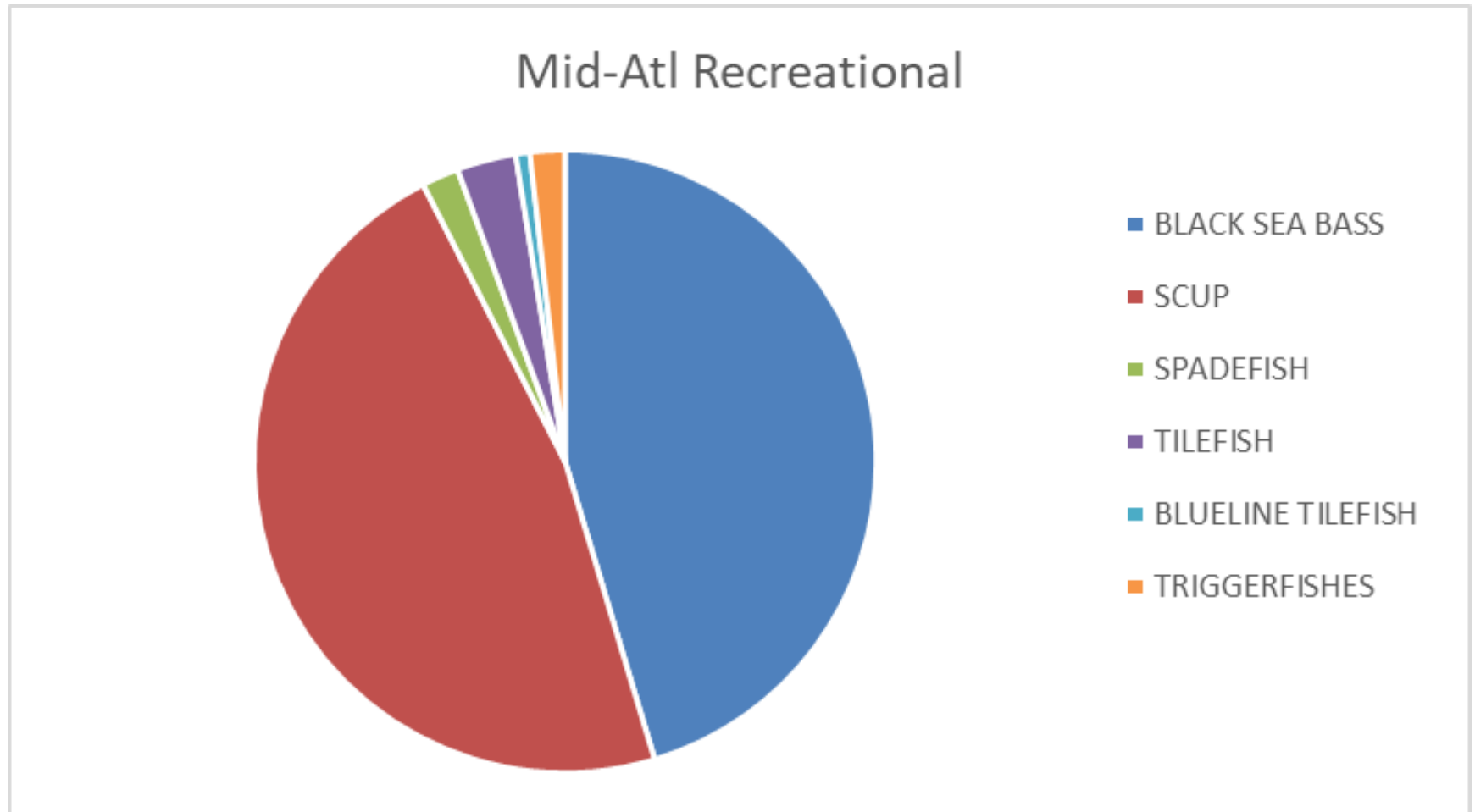
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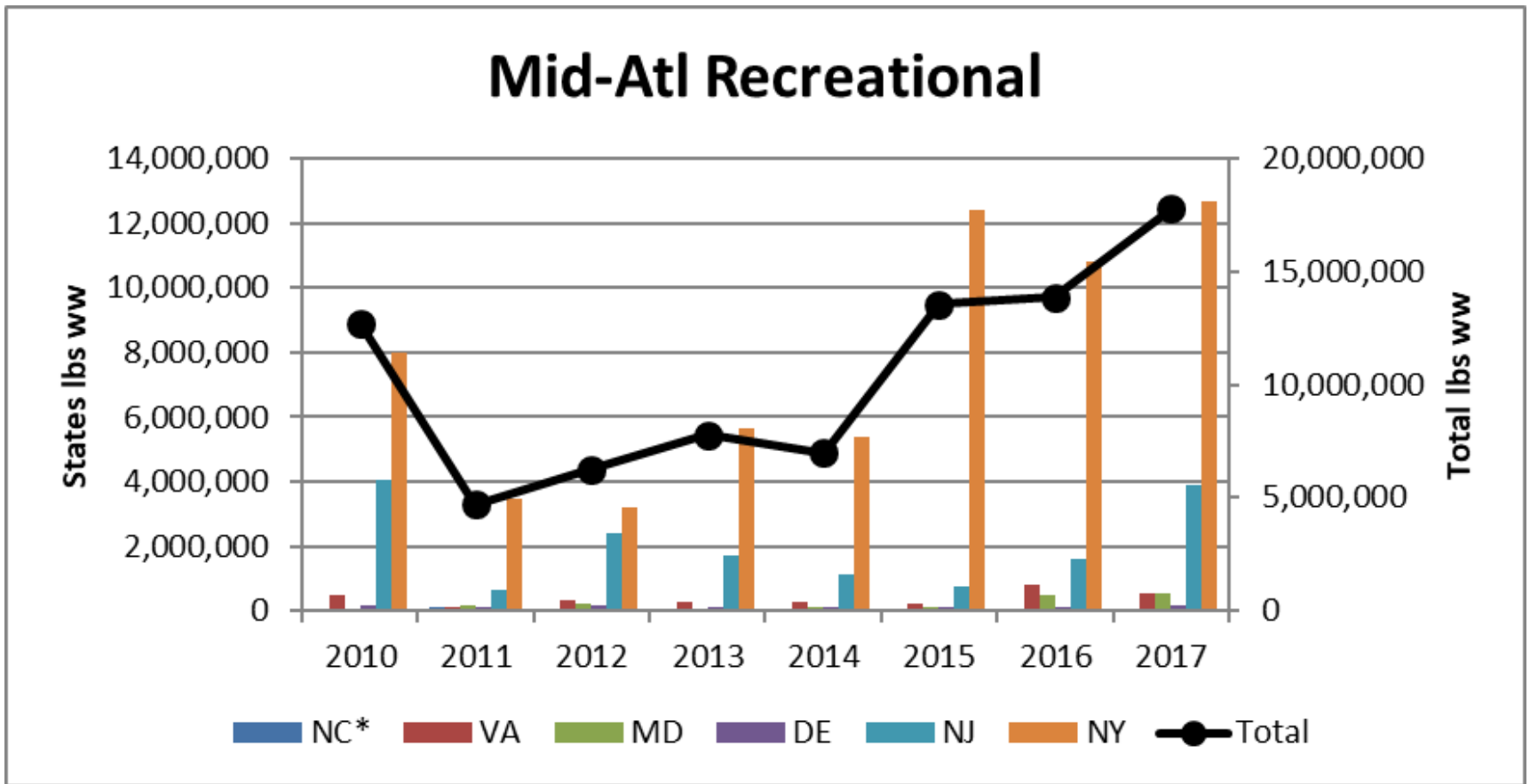
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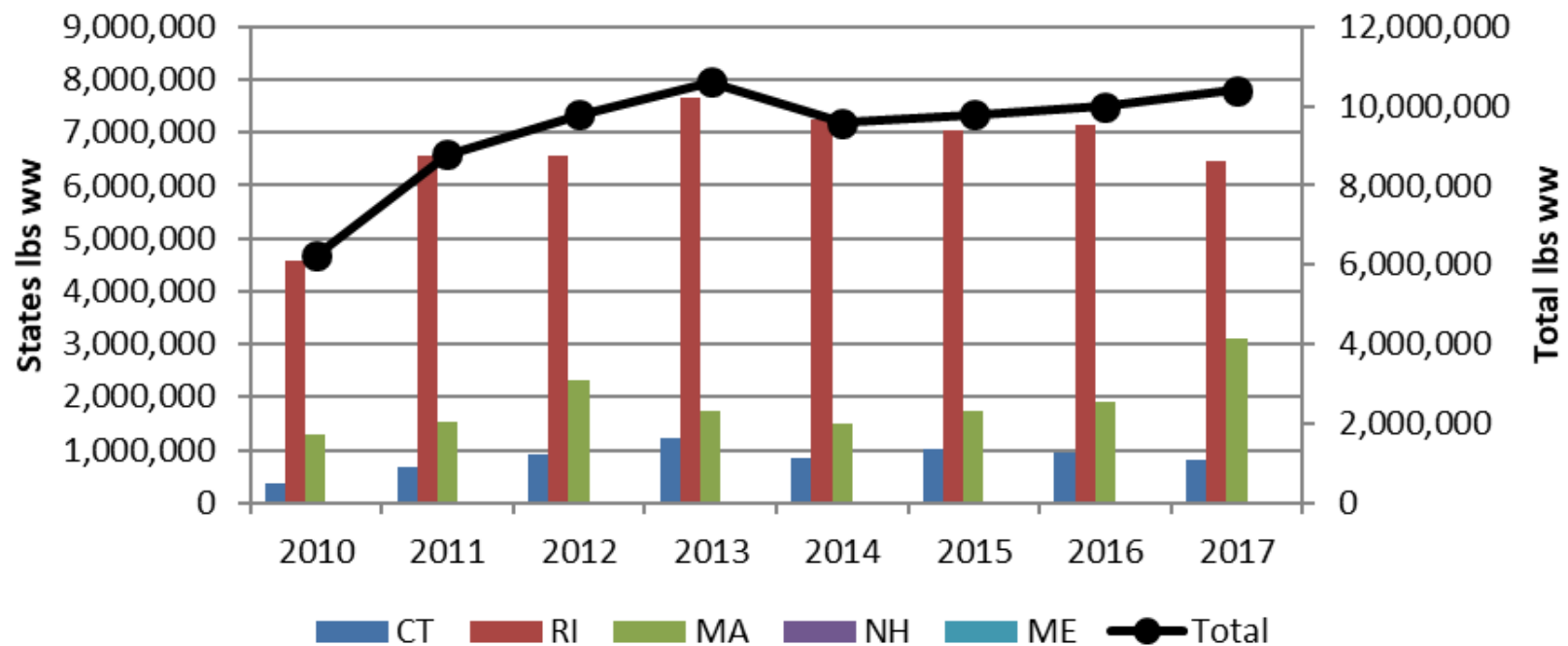


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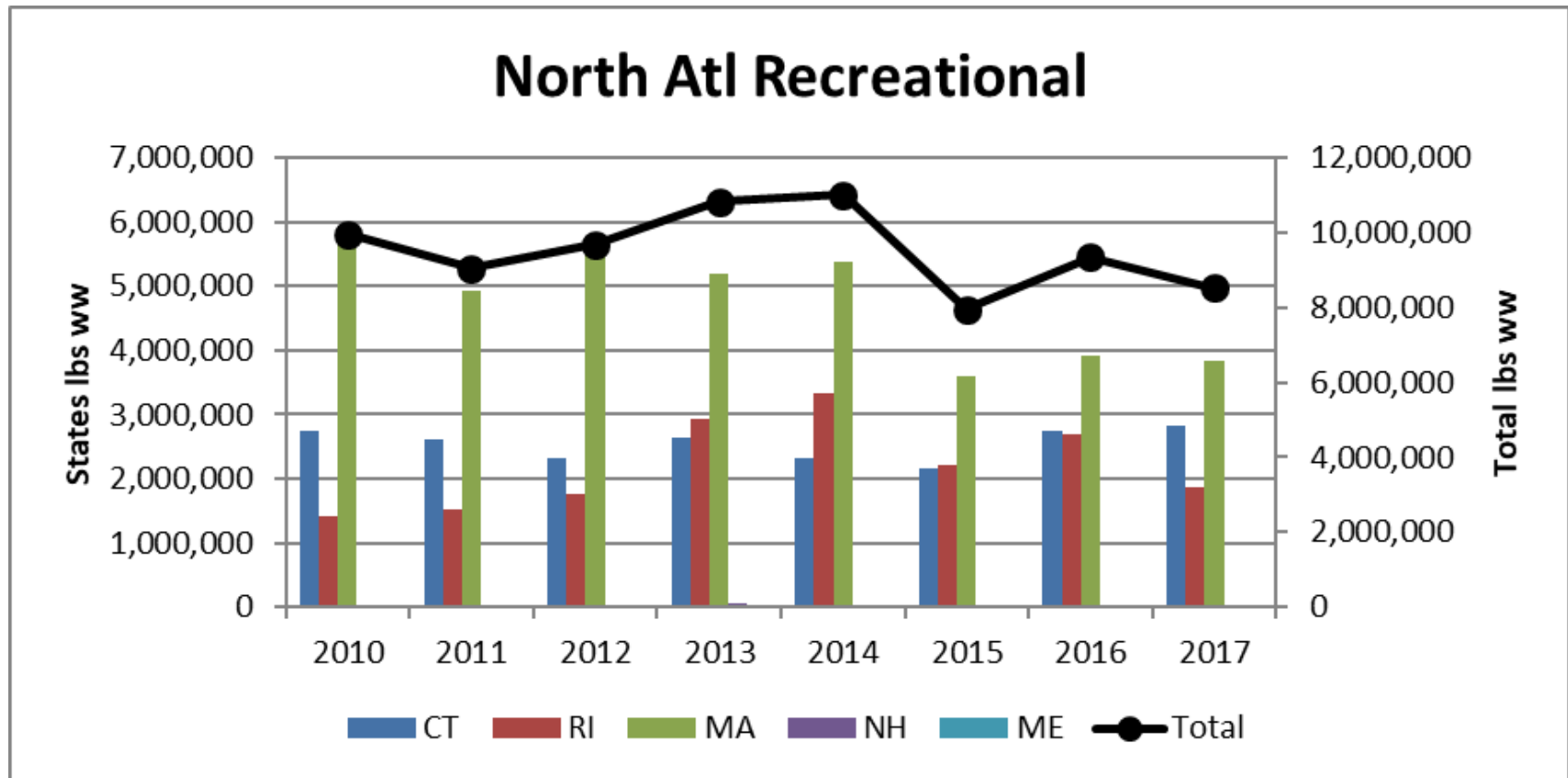


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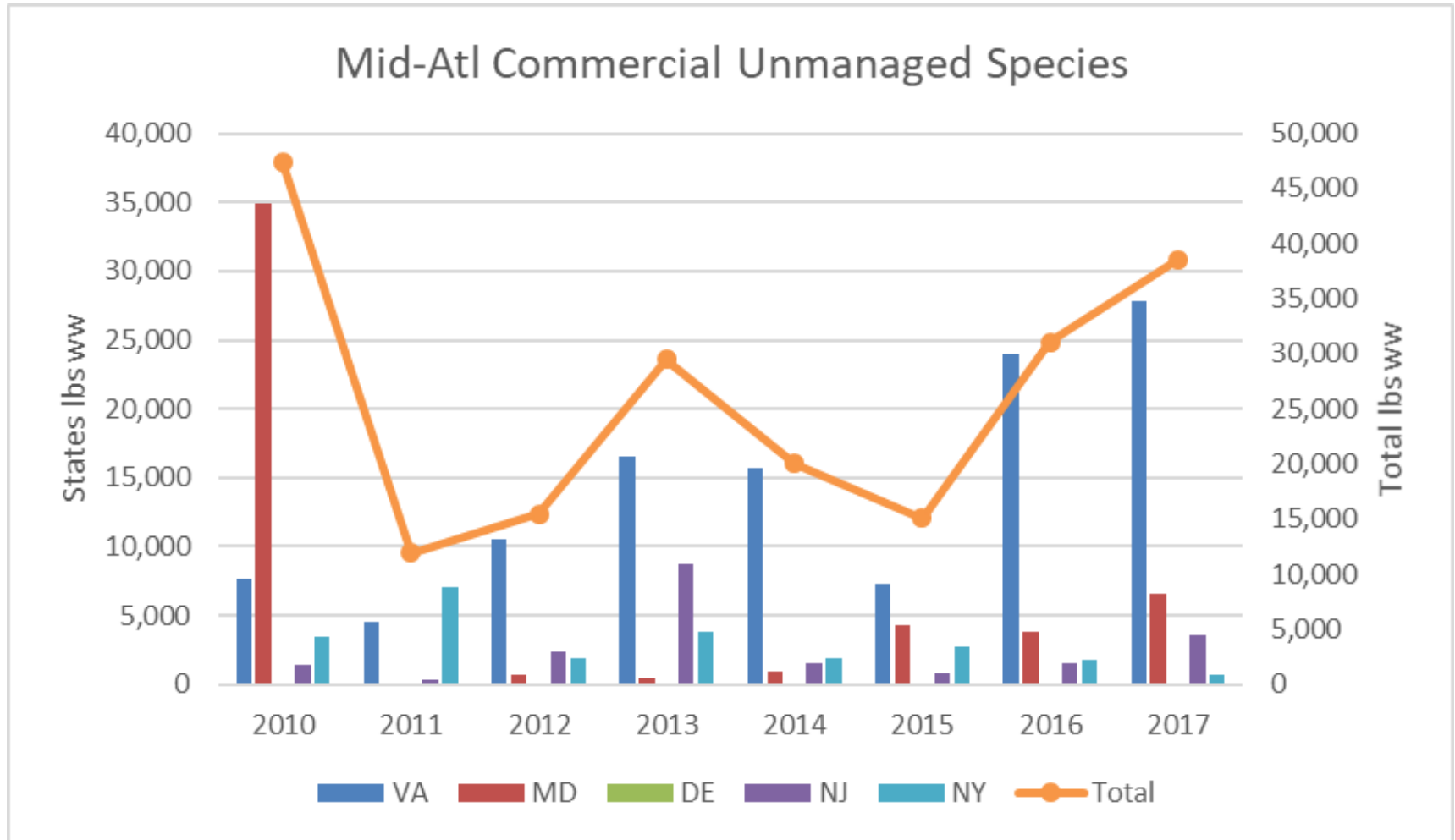
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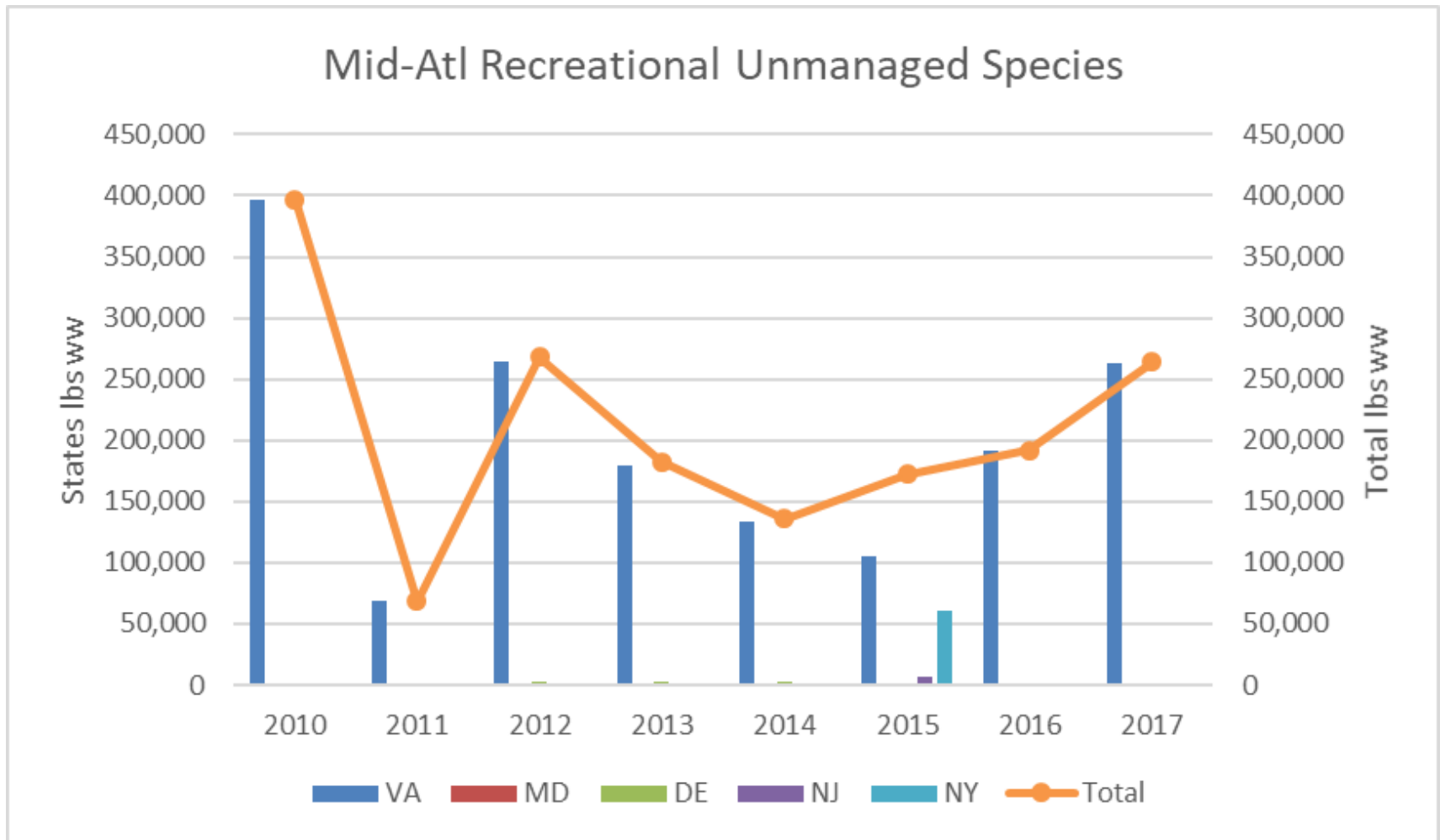
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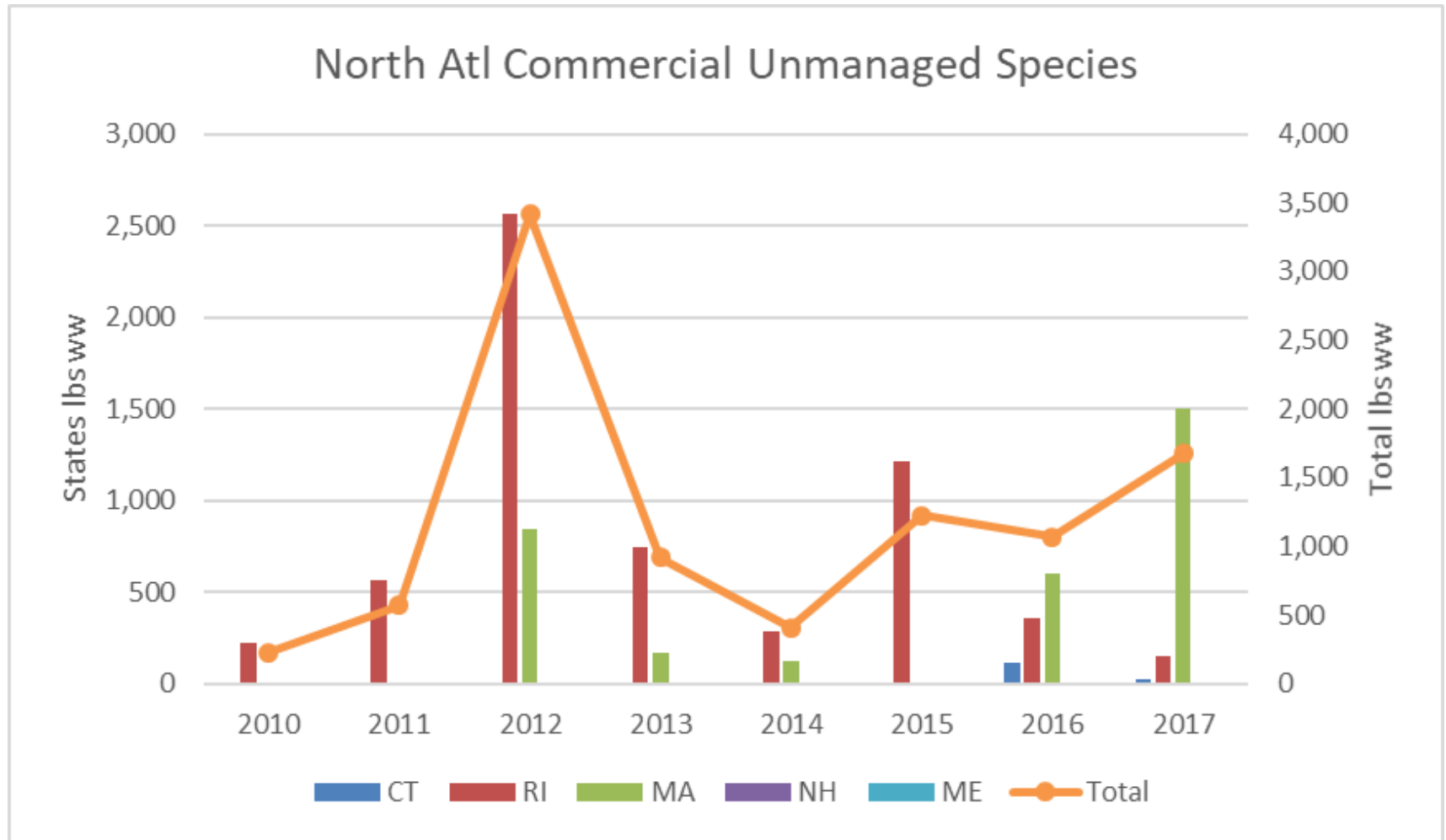
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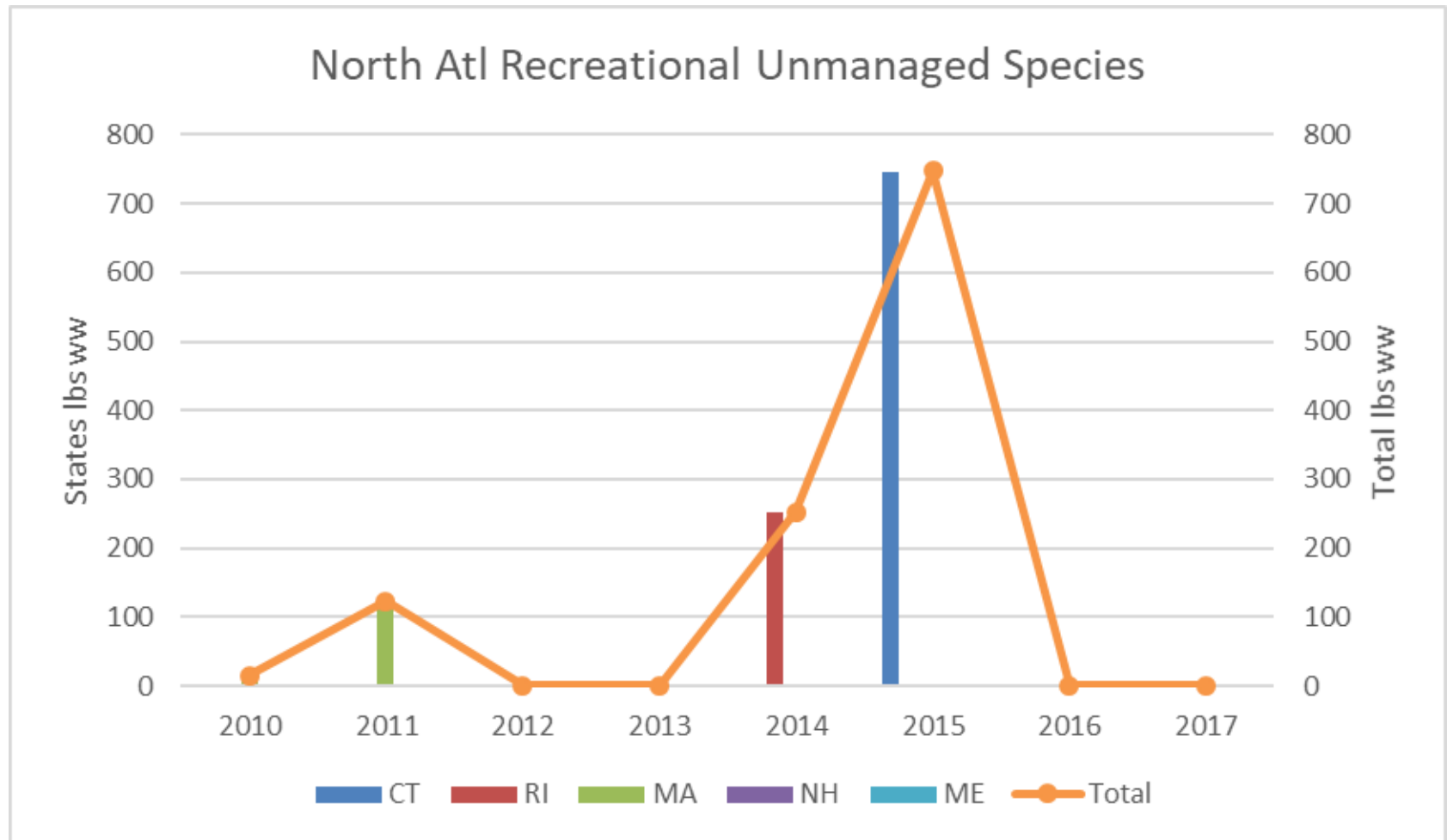
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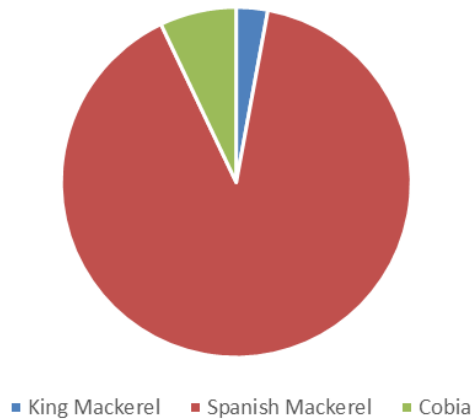


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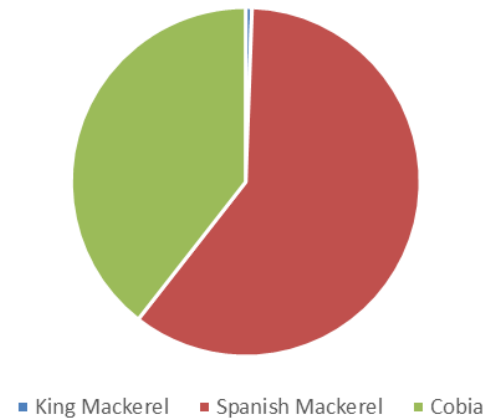


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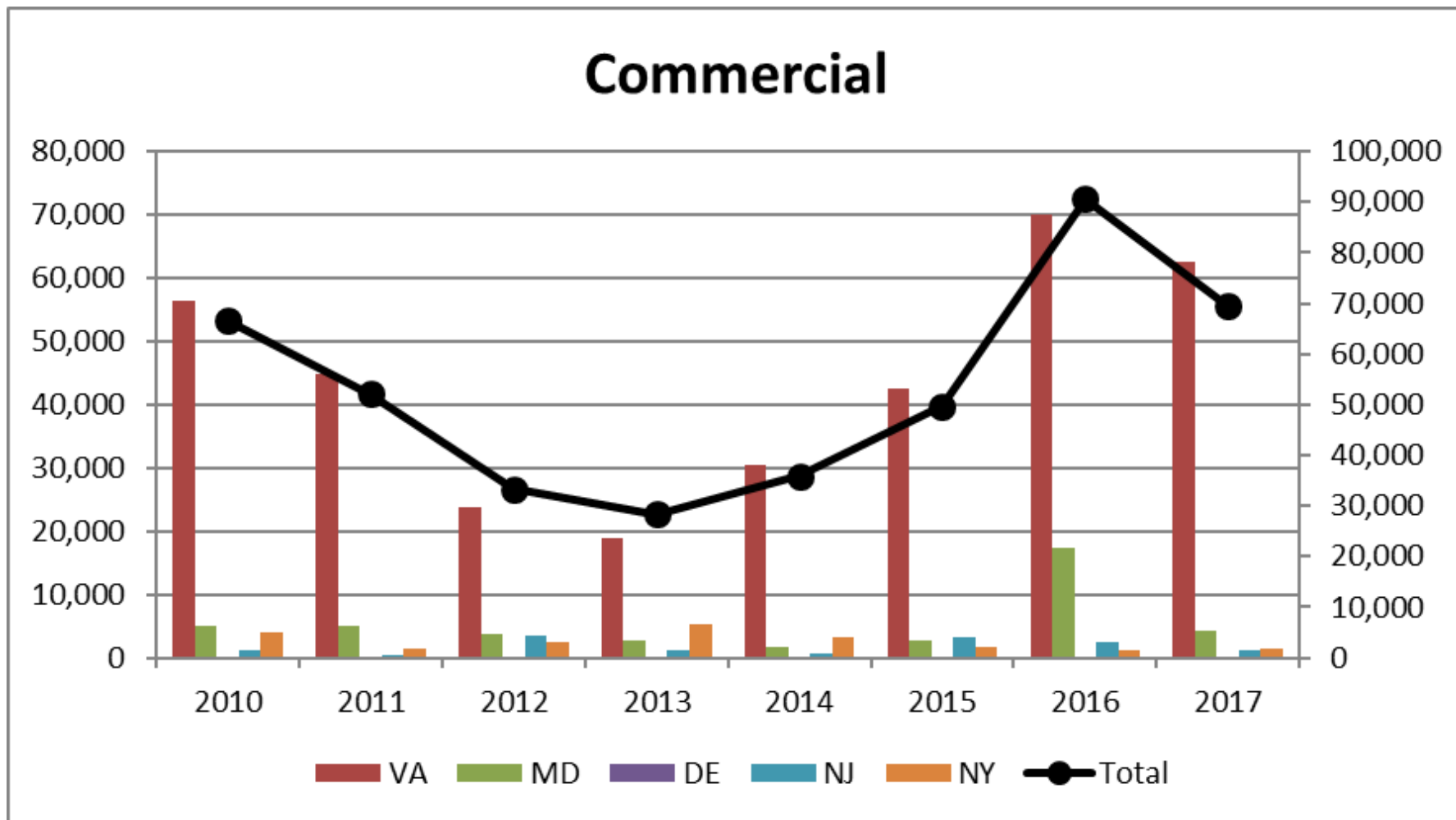
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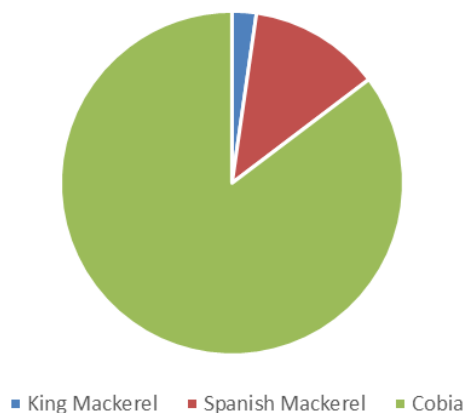


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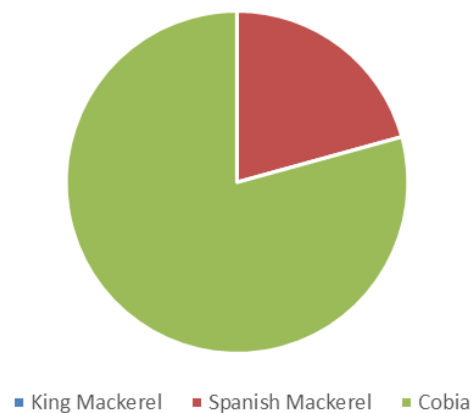


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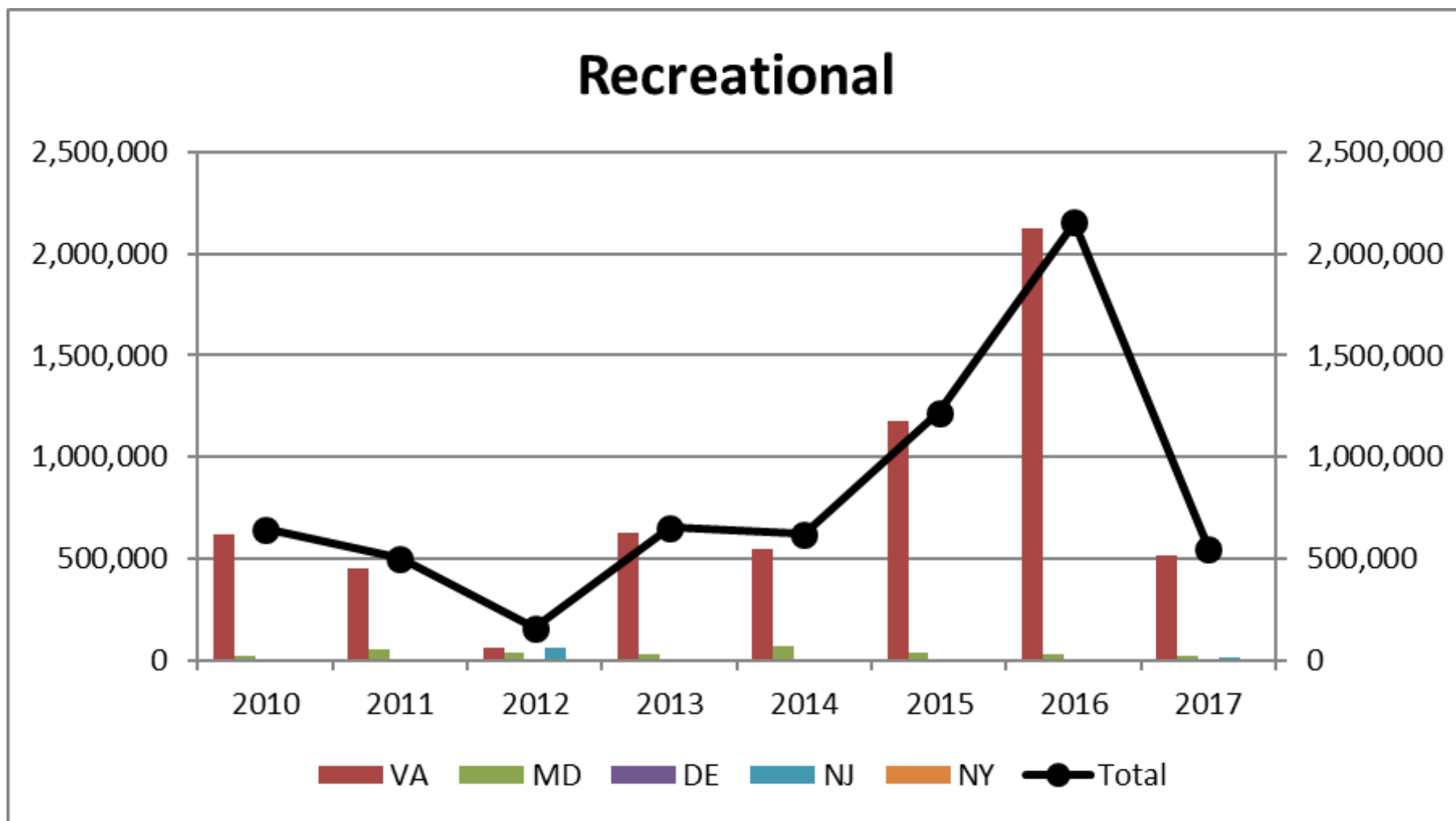
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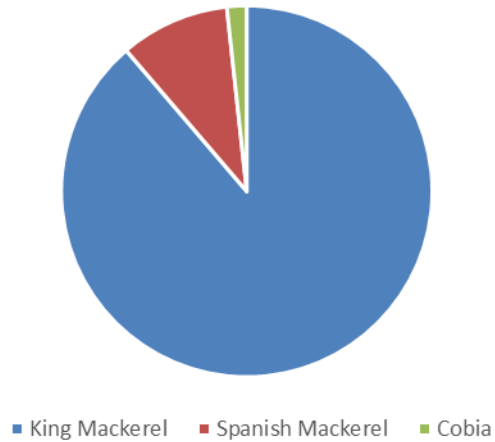


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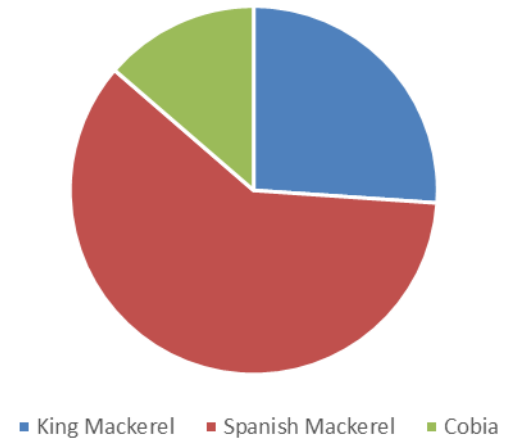


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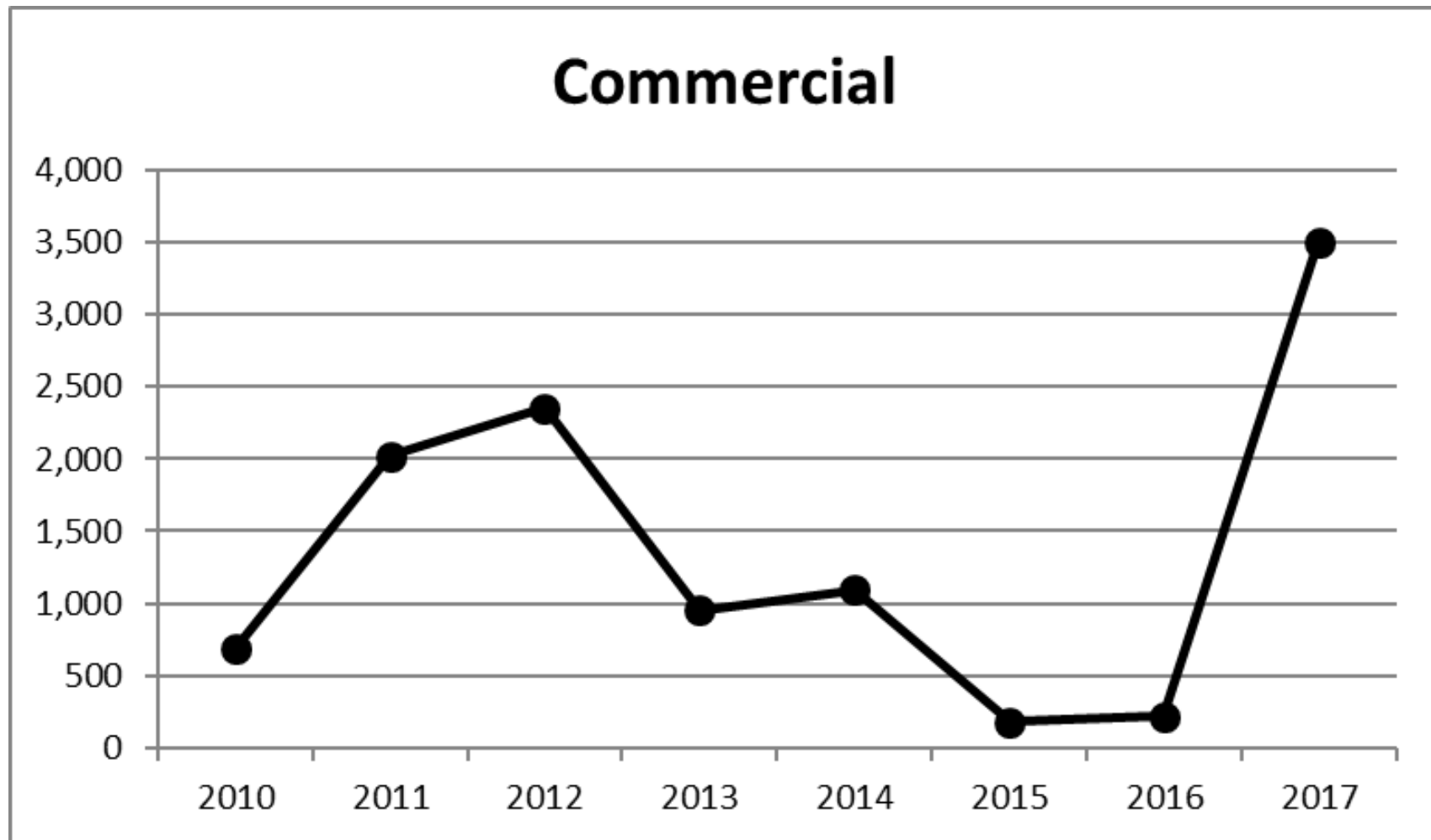
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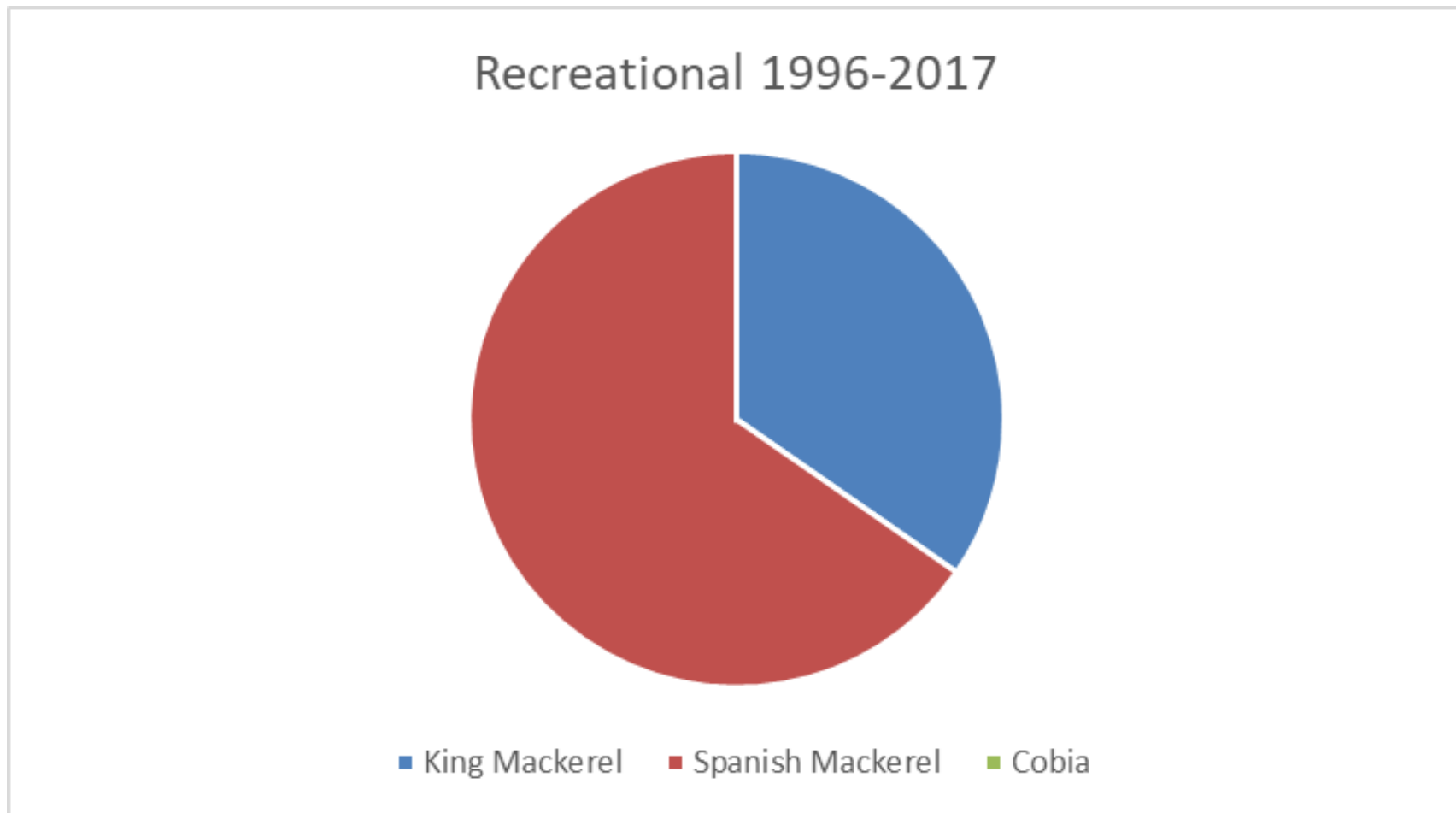
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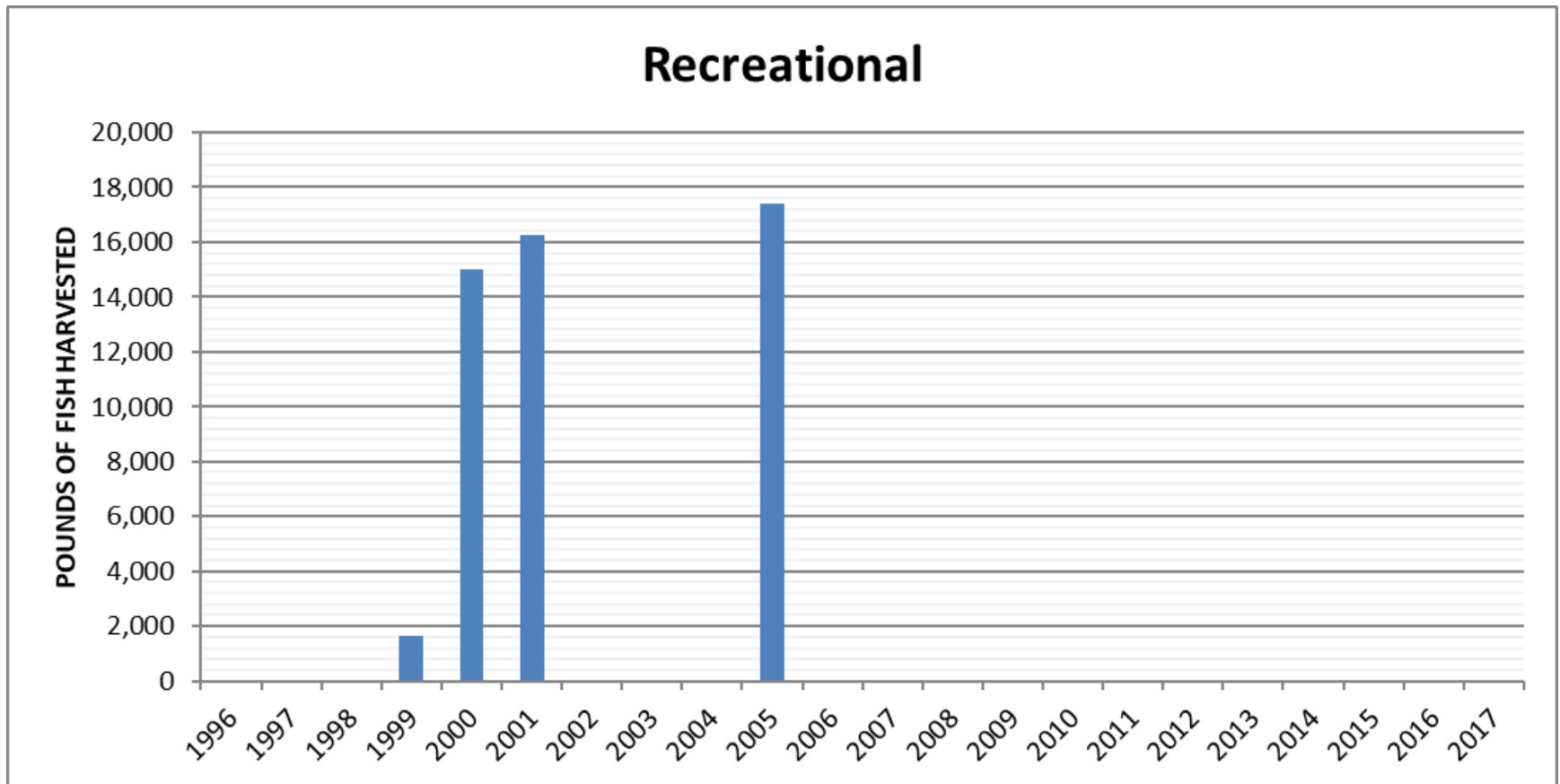
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Total recreational landings (lbs of fish) of coastal migratory pelagics in the New England region, 2003-2017. Source: MRIP.



QUESTIONS?

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