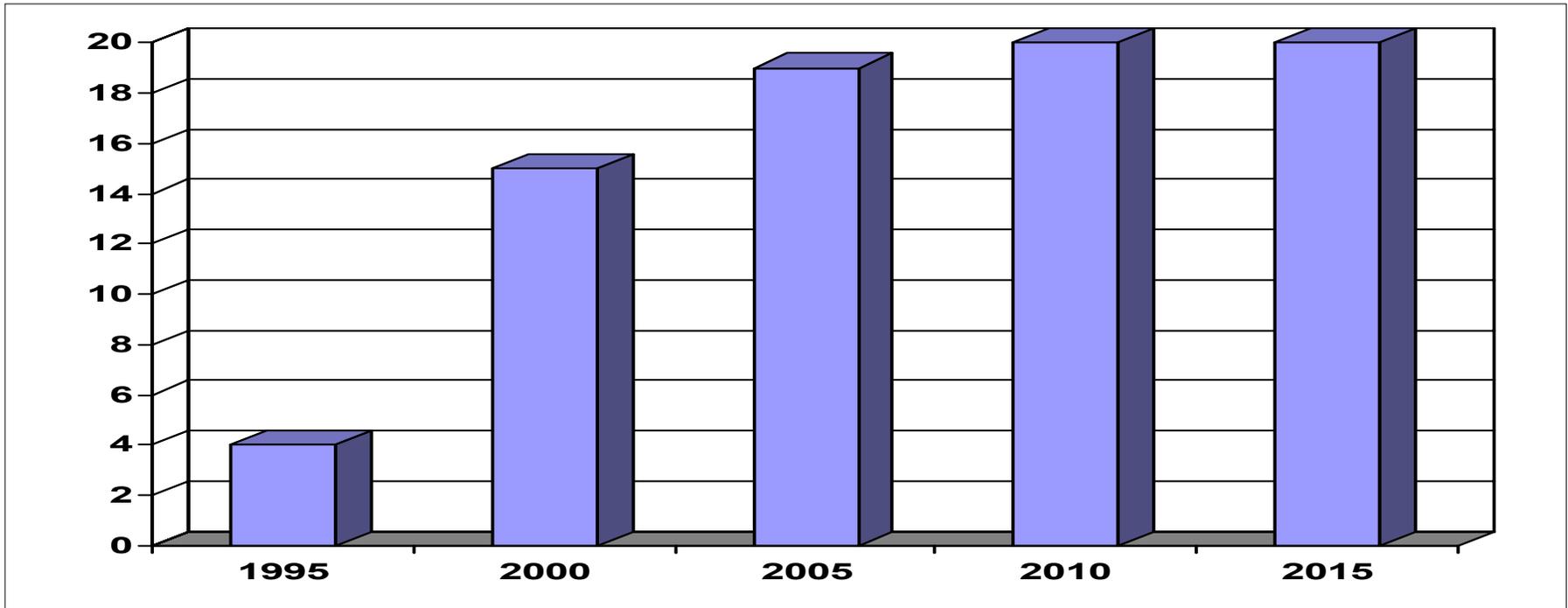


An Overview of Abalone Farming in Australia



Number of Abalone Farms in Australia

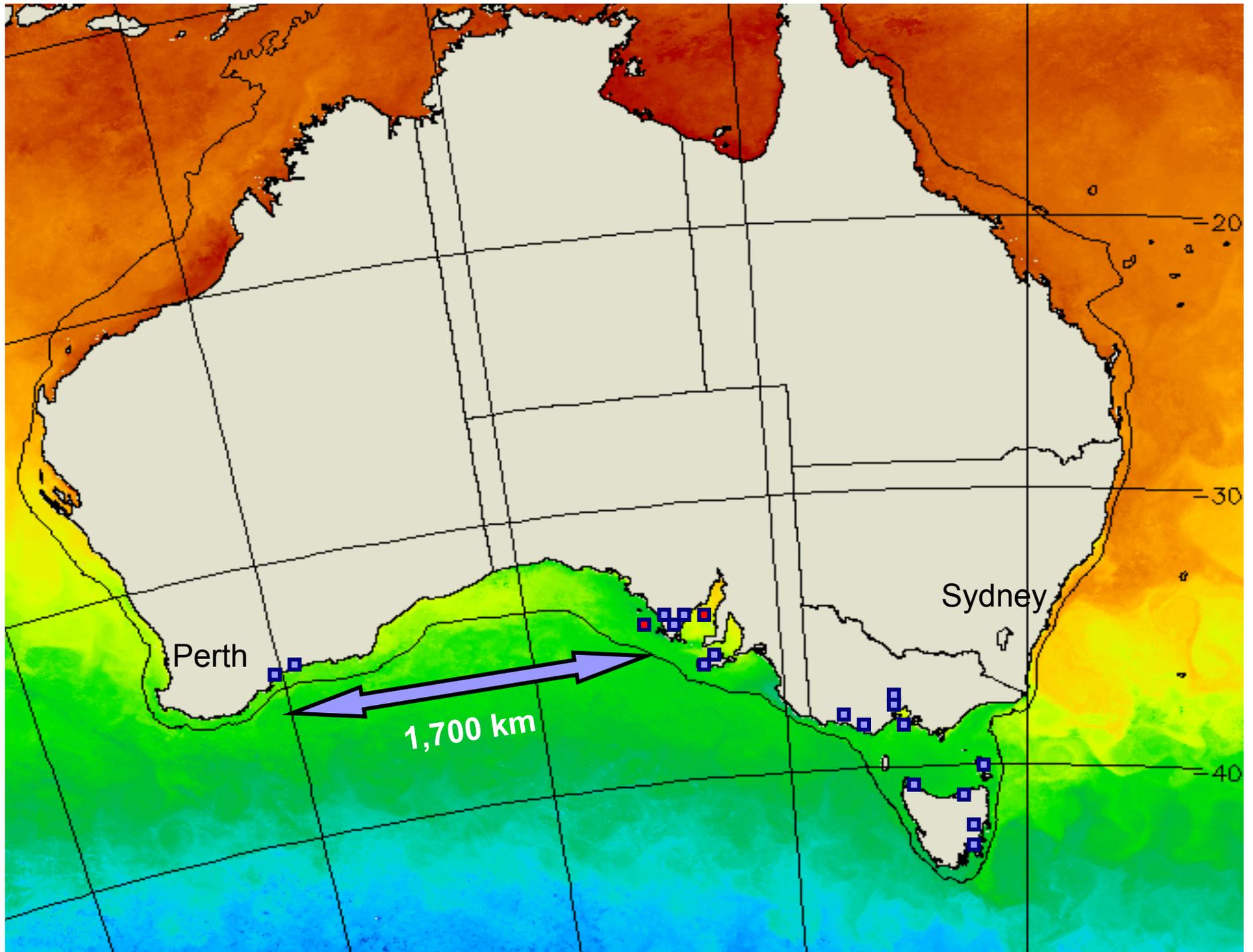


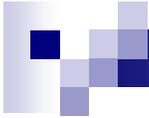
95 - 05

- Around 20 farms commercially operating

Beyond 05

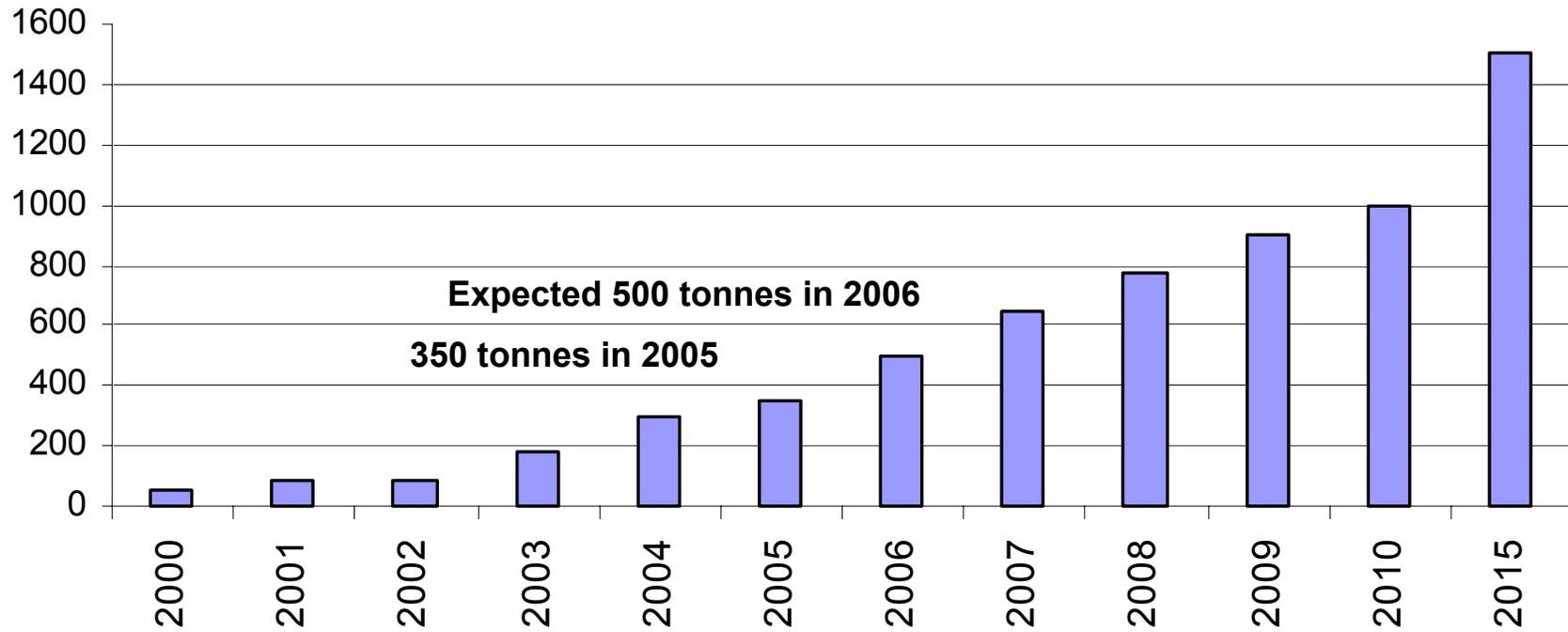
- Bigger is better; expansions to existing farms
- Amalgamations
- Offshore systems





Australian Farmed Abalone Output

Tonnes



Species – Blacklip (*H. rubra*)

More difficult to farm

10% of total output

Used in hybridisation – 20%
output

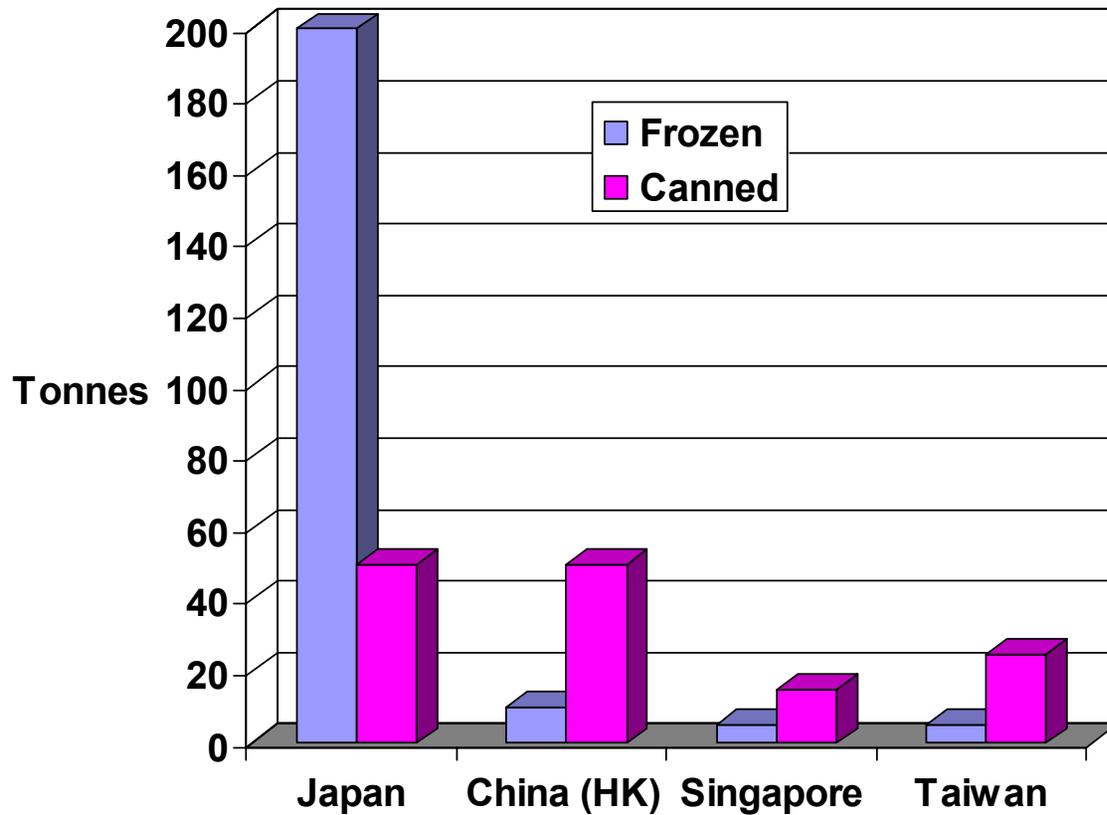


Species – Greenlip (*H. laevigata*)

Easier to farm – suited to raceway
technology
Represents 70% of output
Intelligent !!



Export Markets and Product Form – 2006 Estimated



Harvest Sizes

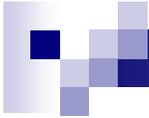
Target 100g per piece

Range 80g – 150g

Prices

Frozen US\$33/kg

Cans 8 piece
US\$600 per carton

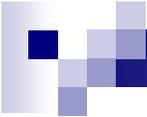


Australian Abalone Growers Association
R & D PRIORITIES FROM INDUSTRY SURVEY

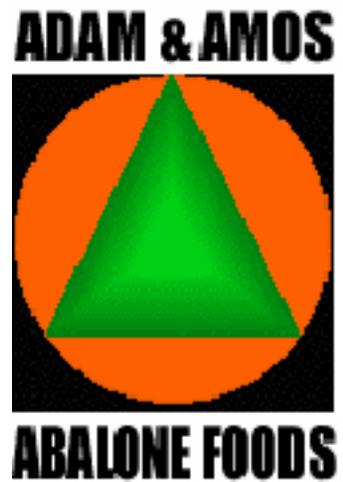
Genetics

Health Monitoring

Nutrition



Feed Manufacturers



Heading towards 1000 tonnes in 2006



Challenges

Environmental

Collaboration / Communication

Production Costs

Growth Rates



Goodbye