

**ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE MISSISSIPPI CRAB INDUSTRY
AT THE YEAR 2003**



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Table 1. Economic Impact ¹ of Mississippi Commercial Crab Industry By Sector, 2003								
Sector	Output		Employment		Labor Income		Indirect Business Taxes	
	\$M	Percent	Jobs	Percent	\$M	Percent	\$M	Percent
Harvesting	1.00	11%	37	18%	0.59	18%	0.03	6%
Processing	1.08	11%	9	4%	0.20	6%	0.02	4%
Wholesaling	0.83	9%	7	3%	0.22	7%	0.06	12%
Restaurant	5.72	60%	131	64%	1.83	57%	0.32	59%
Retailing	0.85	9%	20	10%	0.40	12%	0.10	19%
Total	9.47	100%	204	100%	3.23	100%	0.53	100%
Production sector²	2.07	22%	46	23%	0.79	24%	0.05	10%
Distribution sector³	7.40	78%	158	77%	2.44	76%	0.48	90%

1 - Includes direct, indirect and induced economic effects.

2 - Production sector includes harvesting and processing.

3 - Distribution sector includes wholesaling, restaurant and retailing.