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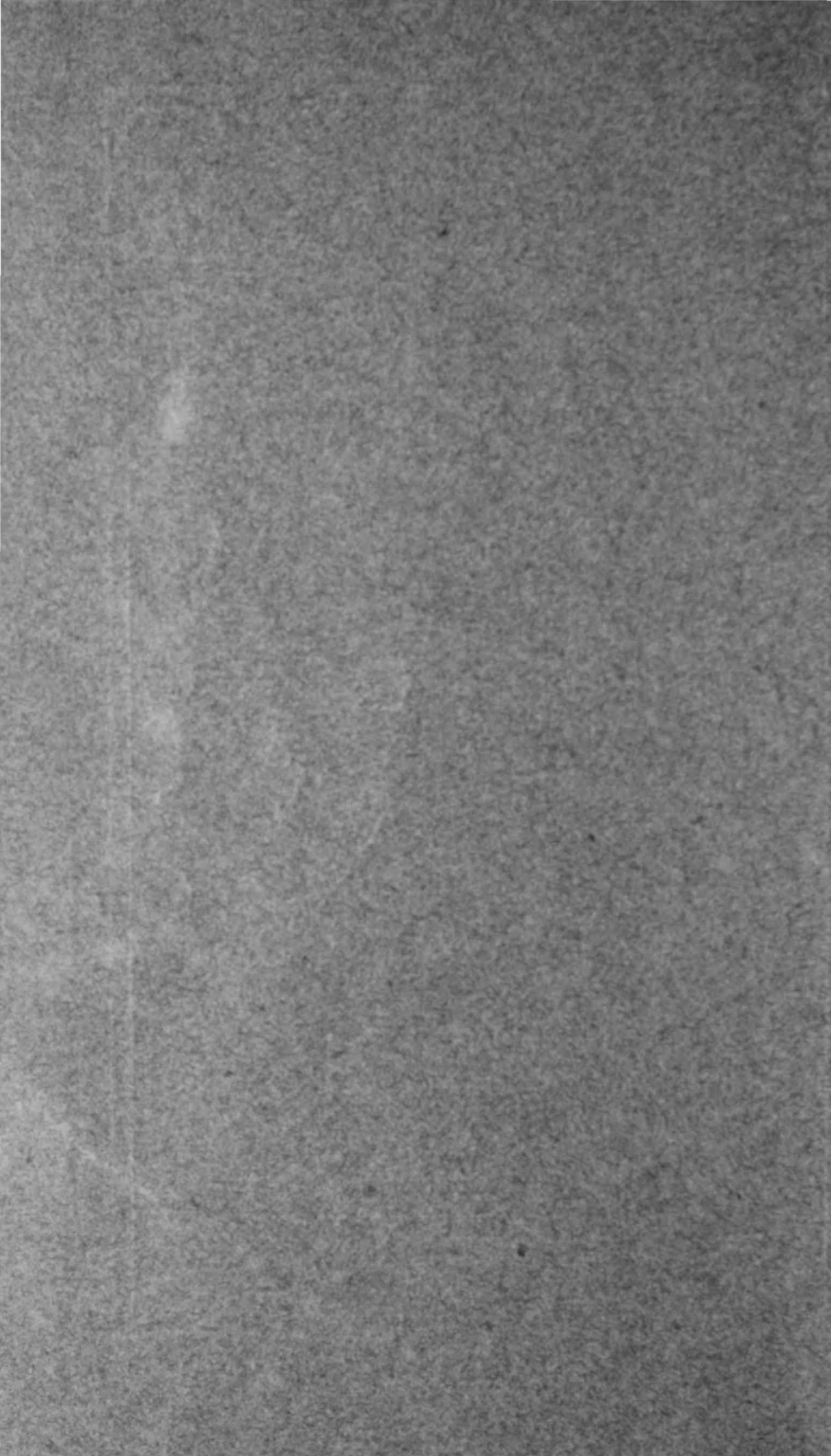


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INTRODUCTION.

In recent years the only report of the work of this division, including the mass of detailed statistics of the fisheries collected during the preceding calendar year, has been incorporated in the annual report of the Commissioner prepared at the close of the fiscal year. That these statistics and discussions may be made available to the public at an earlier date, and for other urgent reasons, it has been deemed advisable to issue a detailed report of the work of the division at the close of each calendar year. The work of the division for the first half of the calendar year 1918, including the results of several statistical canvasses, has been dealt with in some detail in the Commissioner's report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1918, and has been omitted from the present report. The results of a canvass of the fisheries of the Pacific Coast States for 1915 were presented in condensed form in the Commissioner's report for the fiscal year 1917. The statistics and other information obtained in this canvass are given in detail in this report.

SUMMARY OF THE WORK.

In its relations with the fishing industries in 1918 the Bureau has striven to render the largest possible measure of service in increasing the consumption of fish and in the development of markets for fishery products, particularly the little-used or neglected forms. Special attention has also been given to increasing the use of the waste products of the fisheries, such as roe and buckroe, the meat of whales and porpoises, etc., for food; the use of fish waste and waste fish for conversion into oil and fertilizer or fish meal as an animal feed; and the use of the skins of sharks and other unused aquatic forms for tanning into leather and the like. The adoption of improved methods and the discontinuance of wasteful practices have been encouraged.

The industries, particularly those engaged in canning and preserving fish by other methods, labor under a serious handicap through ignorance of the scientific principles underlying these operations, the methods being largely empirical. The Bureau has started investigations in the canning and salting of fish for the purpose of establishing the basic principles governing these operations and determining

their application to effect improvement in methods in practice, in the quality of the product, and in economy of operation. Although but recently inaugurated, these investigations give promise of yielding valuable results to the industry and clarifying our understanding of the processes, thereby enabling us to proceed more intelligently.

One of the major functions of the division is the taking of inventories of the fisheries. The importance of such work as a guide to the States in the enactment of proper legislation governing the protection of the fisheries, to mention only one of the needs for such work, should be self-evident. During the year the following statistical canvasses were made: Coastal fisheries of New York and New Jersey, exclusive of shellfish for 1917; the fisheries on Five-Fathom Bank, N. J., for 1916 and 1917; the shad fishery of the Hudson River for the years 1917 and 1918; the fisheries of Lake Pepin and Lake Keokuk for 1917; and the fisheries of the Great Lakes, Lake of the Woods, and Rainy Lake for 1917. In addition the detailed statistics of the vessel fisheries centering at Boston and Gloucester, Mass., Portland, Me., and Seattle, Wash., have been collected and the information published in the form of monthly and annual bulletins for the use of the trade. These data, together with the results of the canvass of the Great Lakes fisheries, appear in the present report. The Bureau is striving to make its statistical canvasses with sufficient frequency to cover the major geographical divisions of the fisheries once in a five-year period. To do this properly will require a somewhat larger force of statistical agents.

INCREASING CONSUMPTION OF FISHERY PRODUCTS.

The unusual demands on our food resources in 1918 afforded exceptional opportunities for educating the public to the value of fish and fishery products with which it was little acquainted. The Bureau endeavored to meet this situation and employed assistants experienced in the fisheries to assist in the development of markets and the education of the public to the merits of fish as food. It was instrumental in introducing approximately a half million pounds of Gulf fish to the markets of Nashville, Tenn., Louisville, Ky., and Indianapolis, Ind. These shipments, packed under the supervision of Government agents by the most approved methods to insure arrival in the best of condition, were made in car lots by the Gulf producers. This has resulted in enlarging the markets for fish from this region and acquainting many people with the merits of species common to the region. To effect relief for unsatisfactory shipping conditions, similar service was inaugurated between Chincoteague, Va., and the markets of Philadelphia and New York, and a number of shipments were made under supervision of Government agents.

Assistance was rendered in introducing canned river-herring products (fish, roe, and buckroe), sea herring, and gadoid buckroe to the markets of Atlanta, Ga., Birmingham and Montgomery, Ala., and Knoxville, Nashville, and Chattanooga, Tenn.; this resulted in bringing nearly 14,000 cases of these products, valued at over \$54,000, to these markets.

Whaling companies were encouraged to save and market whale meat, and a placard and an economic circular were issued to aid in creating a demand for the product and in educating the housewife

how to prepare it. West-coast whaling companies have provided a cold-storage and distributing plant with a capacity of about 3,000 tons, a 500-ton freezing plant, a refrigeration steamer, and a cannery with a capacity of 50,000 cases. In 1918, 30,000 cases of the meat were canned and 195 tons of frozen meat marketed. With available equipment, an output of 50,000 cases of canned meat and 1,000 tons of frozen meat is expected during the coming season.

The following description of the methods employed in the canning of whale meat is taken from the January, 1919, Yearbook of the Pacific Fisherman:

The equipment and method of canning are quite similar to those used in Pacific coast salmon canneries, with obvious differences in the preliminary handling. The whales for canning are hauled out on a special concrete slip, constantly flooded with fresh running water, and here the meat is removed in the same way as for freezing. After being cooled it is placed in a mild brine for about 36 hours, which removes all blood, at the same time practically eliminating the gamy taste. The strips of meat are then passed through a salmon cutter of familiar type, which cuts them into pieces the right size for 1-pound flat cans. The cans are then put through the exhaust box for 30 minutes, sealed and cooked in the retort for an hour and twenty minutes, after which they are ready for labeling and shipping.

The lack of understanding of the best ways to prepare fish for the table, of the relative merits of the different varieties of fish and fishery products, and their value as food, is to a considerable extent responsible for the lack of demand for fish. Such obstacles can best be met by education and practical demonstration. To do this, representatives of the Bureau were detailed to give lectures and demonstrations in fish cookery, beginning in May and continuing throughout the year. More than 70 demonstrations were given, the following places being visited: Seattle, Everett, Bellingham, Spokane, Yakima, and Aberdeen, Wash.; Portland and Gladstone Park, Oreg.; and San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda, Stockton, and Sacramento, Calif. These demonstrations were very popular with the housewives, the average attendance being about 100 persons.

The following fish and fishery products were used for demonstration purposes: Albacore, barracuda, bocaccio, bonito, carp, catfish, flounders, hake, halibut, kingfish, lingcod, chub mackerel, horse mackerel, grayfish, perch, rockfishes, sablefish, sand dab, sardine, shad, skates, skipjack, smelt, soupfin shark, sole, sturgeon, yellowtail, and heads, milts, and livers of salmon; also squid, octopus, and whale. Among the forms especially popular were shark, squid, skate, yellowtail, sablefish, flounders, sole, kingfish, mackerel, and salmon milts.

Buying of fish in the round, the viscera alone being removed, was advocated. This is cheaper and much waste is eliminated, as the head, trimmings, and bones, which are richest in flavor and are usually discarded by the dealer, are thus saved. These parts are used to make delicious soups and gravies, or, if in smaller quantity, as the foundation for a cream sauce. In thus utilizing practically every part of the fish for food, one day's supply will usually serve for two.

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controlled. Careful consideration has, therefore, been given means of measuring such factors in the laboratory and varying, controlling them as investigation necessitates. Wherever required recording thermometers and hygrometers, thermostats, pitot tube pressure and vacuum gauges, and other measuring and control devices have been installed, and measuring apparatus, such as viscosimeter, refractometer, polarimeter, colorimeter, specific-gravity balances, etc., have been provided for the chemical study of processes.

STUDY OF THE PRINCIPLES OF PRESERVING FISH WITH SALT.

Without waiting for the completion of the fishery product laboratory, the Bureau immediately made arrangements for initiation of various investigations, one of which concerns the preservation of fish with salt. The primary object of this investigation was to determine whether this useful method of preserving is necessarily limited to the cooler regions of the country and to a few species, or whether it could by improvement be extended to other regions and to other fishes. A number of fundamental questions are involved in the solution of this problem, namely, the factors influencing the rate of penetration of brine, the maximum temperature at which salting is successful, the mode of application of the salt, the effect of impurities in the salt, the rate and nature of the decomposition which takes place in tissues before the salt reaches them, the influence of the salt on fat, dressing, and cleaning, the amount of nutrients and waste removed, etc. Various brands of commercial salt were compared with chemically pure salt as a standard. In the absence of product laboratory facilities in the Washington office, the work was initiated in cooperation with the National Research Council at Johns Hopkins University Medical School, Baltimore, Md., and Dr. E. V. McCollum very kindly volunteered to supervise the experimental work done at that institution.

Significant results were attained within a few months, it being shown that the impurities in salt, even in small quantities, have a marked effect on the process of salting and on the quality of the salted product. In these experiments, squeteague were used. Pure sodium chloride penetrates the fish very rapidly and completely and produces a soft, yellow-meated, flexible fish. Small amounts of calcium chloride and magnesium chloride retard the penetration of the sodium chloride, but produce a firmer, whiter fish than pure sodium chloride. As these are common, almost constant, impurities in salt it would appear that they may interfere with the preservation of fish in warm climates, such as obtain in our Southern States. As indicated, these products also affect the quality and appearance of the product. Thus it may be possible not only to bring about a much more rapid and complete brining of fish in a much shorter time but also to produce salt fish possessing almost any desired degree of hardness and whiteness. Data were also sought as to the relative merits of the two methods of salting fish in brine or in dry salt, the amount and rate of decomposition of protein into the end product, amino-acids and nitrogen, being determined. These experiments indicated that the dry-salting method is the more efficient at the higher temperatures.

Experiments in progress include the study of penetration of salt through the skin of the fish, as influenced by the impurities in

t, relation of freshness of fish to temperature at which it can be
 ted, determination of highest temperature at which it is practicable
 salt fish, possible ways of improving methods in common practice,
 d trials of relative values of the different kinds of salt on the
 rket.

PERIMENTS IN THE PREPARATION OF FISHERY PRODUCTS FOR THE TABLE.

Supplementing the work of the field agents engaged in giving
 tures and practical demonstrations of the best methods for cooking
 b, the Bureau equipped an experimental kitchen and employed
 perpts to determine the best methods of preparation of new or
 ile-known fish and fishery products for the table.

Here a considerable number of fishery products were tried out by
 rious individual methods of preparation, and those best suited to
 e particular product selected. In some cases this information was
 rnished direct to the trade, in others it was assembled and published
 economic circulars to aid in educating the public as to the merits
 , and establishing larger markets for, such heretofore little-used
 oducts. In this manner assistance has been given in increasing the
 oduction and consumption of grouper, menhaden, mussels, sharks,
 llibeas, and the roe and buckroe of fishes.

In addition, the assemblage of materials for a cookbook on fish was
 gun. This is now nearing completion, many of the recipes being
 sted in the experimental kitchen.

NEW ENGLAND VESSEL FISHERIES.

The vessel fisheries centering at Boston and Gloucester, Mass., and
 ortland, Me., have been in a more than usually prosperous condition
 uring the past year, notwithstanding the presence of enemy sub-
 arines along the coast and on the fishing grounds in the summer
 d the consequent loss of a number of fishing vessels. There was a
 ecline in the total number of trips, but a considerable increase in the
 uantity and value of the products landed. The decline in the
 umber of trips occurred at Boston and Portland, while there was an
 ecrease over the previous year at Gloucester. Statistics of these
 heries have been collected during the year by the local agents and
 ublished in monthly bulletins, showing, by species and fishing
 ounds, the quantities and values of fishery products landed by
 merican and Canadian fishing vessels during the year at these ports.
 wo annual bulletins also have been issued, one showing the catch by
 onths and the other by fishing grounds.

The fishing fleet which landed fishery products at these ports
 uring the calendar year 1918 included 521 sail, steam, and gasoline
 ew vessels. These vessels landed at Boston 2,830 trips, aggreg-
 ating 109,476,041 pounds of fish, valued at \$6,587,754; at Gloucester,
 414 trips, aggregating 74,175,499 pounds, valued at \$3,062,605; and
 t Portland, 2,506 trips, aggregating 21,849,613 pounds, valued at
 881,189. The total for the three ports amounted to 8,750 trips,
 ggregating 205,501,153 pounds of fresh and salted fish, having a
 alue to the fishermen of \$10,531,548. This total includes 60 trips
 nded at these ports by 21 Canadian fishing vessels, amounting to

5,602,749 pounds of fresh fish, valued at \$218,625. These fish landed in accordance with an arrangement with the Canadian Government, as an emergency war measure granting reciprocal privilege fishing vessels, by which Canadian fishing vessels were permitted land their fares at American ports direct from the fishing grounds. Canadian fishing vessels began to utilize this privilege in April and continued during the remainder of the year. The greater part of these fish, or 4,668,620 pounds, valued at \$164,946, were landed at Portland.

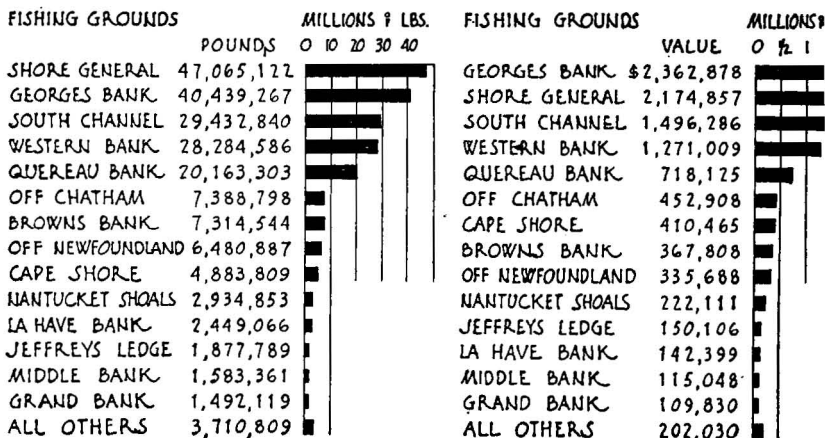


FIG. 1.—Quantities and values of fish landed by fishing vessels at Boston and Gloucester, Mass. and Portland, Me., in 1918, shown by fishing grounds.

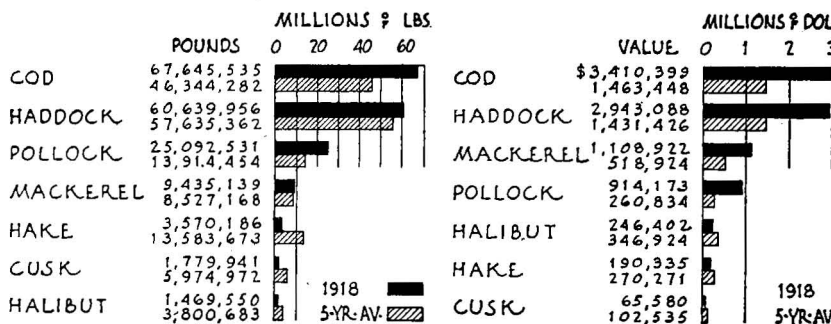


FIG. 2.—Quantities and values of the principal kinds of fish landed by fishing vessels at Boston and Gloucester, Mass., in 1918, compared with the five-year average, 1912-1916.

Compared with the previous year there was a decrease of 534 tons in the total number for the three ports, but an increase of 30,070 pounds, or 17.14 per cent, in the quantity, and of \$2,170,216, or 2 per cent, in the value of the fish landed. The cod catch increased 15,357,899 pounds, or 27.19 per cent, in quantity, and \$1,246,371, or 52.57 per cent, in value; haddock, 13,116,706 pounds, or 24.49 per cent, in quantity, and \$682,547, or 27.12 per cent, in value; pollock, 12,052,828 pounds, or 83.07 per cent, in quantity, and \$382,817, or 66.08 per cent, in value; halibut, 14,940 pounds, or 0.84 per cent, in quantity, and \$83,048, or 37.88 per cent, in value; herring, 1,858 pounds, or 14.44 per cent, in quantity, and \$162,068, or 54.27

in value; and miscellaneous products, 309,709 pounds, or 7.88 per cent, in quantity, and \$56,390, or 45.05 per cent, in value. There was also a considerable decrease in the catches of a number of species. The catch of hake decreased 2,633,817 pounds, or 33.27 per cent, in quantity, and \$68,300, or 20 per cent, in value; cusk, 891,043 pounds, or 10.10 per cent, in quantity, and \$16,083, or 13.50 per cent, in value; whiting, 7,283,596 pounds, or 41.75 per cent, in quantity, and \$1,195, or 18.23 per cent, in value; swordfish, 937,427 pounds, or 10.00 per cent, in quantity, and \$68,977, or 23.60 per cent, in value. Newfoundland herring catch fell off 422,932 pounds, or 6.21 per cent, in quantity, but increased \$104,072, or 45.68 per cent, in value. The quantity of tilefish landed at Boston during the year declined from 1,211,450 pounds, valued at \$44,743 in 1917, to 299,420 pounds, valued at \$20,246 in 1918.

The following tables present in detail, by fishing grounds and by months, the products landed at Boston and Gloucester, Mass., and Portland, Me., by American and Canadian fishing vessels, for the calendar year 1918. The weights of fresh and salted fish given in the statistics represent the fish as landed from the vessels, and the values are those received by the fishermen. The grades, or sizes, and names for certain species are those recognized in the trade.

QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF CERTAIN FISHERY PRODUCTS LANDED AT BOSTON AND GLOUCESTER, MASS., AND PORTLAND, ME., BY AMERICAN AND CANADIAN FISHING VESSELS DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1918, SHOWN BY FISHING GROUNDS.

Fishing grounds.	Number of trips.	Cod.											
		Large (10 pounds and over).				Market (under 10 and over 2½ pounds).				Scrod (1 to 2½ pounds).			
		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.													
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:													
La Have Bank.....	31	366,795	\$27,236			354,655	\$18,015			67,745	\$1,627		
Western Bank.....	180	3,854,620	255,378			2,466,376	111,026			85,077	2,457		
Quereau Bank.....	6	95,050	5,072			102,090	4,498			2,990	84		
Grand Bank.....	2	2,500	186			500	16						
St. Peters Bank.....	2	50,000	2,330			15,000	525						
Off Newfoundland.....	1							35,000	\$1,400				
Cape Shore.....	62	289,672	22,409			322,479	15,646			53,328	1,296		
Gulf of St. Lawrence.....	1	6,100	390			500	25						
St. Anns Bank.....	1	4,285	328			31,000	1,575						
Roseway Bank.....	1	8,600	396			9,185	291			2,270	35		
By Canadian vessels:													
La Have Bank.....	1	4,200	312			9,385	384			210	4		
Western Bank.....	1	3,000	248			10,350	533			2,255	61		
Cape Shore.....	1	3,510	489			3,900	262			2,400	60		
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:													
Browns Bank.....	105	1,292,415	78,559			873,050	42,131			152,472	4,291		
Georges Bank.....	648	12,331,918	772,387			3,693,757	189,301			189,134	4,477		
Cashes Bank.....	5	21,825	1,969			15,480	788			3,470	70		
Clark Bank.....	1	5,800	406			19,000	839			400	8		
Pippenies Bank.....	4	14,890	1,711			9,140	738			3,400	81		
Middle Bank.....	92	99,703	10,387			76,739	5,298			18,927	520		
Jeffreys Ledge.....	139	134,961	10,994			72,673	6,126			17,560	604		
South Channel.....	440	1,686,304	137,907			2,086,176	108,269			347,780	8,264		
Nantucket Shoals.....	105	273,826	25,827			1,029,647	51,748			135,968	3,394		
Off Chatham.....	270	1,096,836	83,301			1,123,608	60,423			279,059	5,946		
Bay of Fundy.....	3	8,700	485			34,025	1,148			1,100	22		
Seal Island.....	1	5,600	336			12,500	500			950	19		
South.....	24					205							

Total	2,830	21,849,086	1,453,212			12,674,977	635,575	35,000	1,400	1,307,026	34,065		
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.													
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:													
La Have Bank	11	195,290	7,829	2,255	\$183	63,525	2,270	3,130	235	6,420	127	300	820
Western Bank	67	1,998,531	80,674	406,970	27,414	1,066,315	36,526	283,559	18,406	47,000	976	20,675	1,065
Queveau Bank	133	6,310,423	222,937	1,125,628	77,805	7,916,279	242,893	917,591	56,205	246,933	4,888	68,322	4,402
Green Bank	1	45,275	1,698	19,770	1,334	2,470	80	2,980	186			60	3
Grand Bank	16	447,625	16,370	350,500	29,011	105,030	3,208	158,703	13,216	4,795	96	25,815	2,333
St. Peters Bank	4	261,170	9,238	23,130	1,806	177,955	5,372	9,705	658	200	4		
Off Newfoundland	29												
Cape Shore	31	6,575	247			4,420	144			475	10		
Gulf of St. Lawrence	2	74,500	2,915			94,450	3,307			9,940	200		
St. Anns Bank	1	2,350	106			17,350	694			1,130	23		
The Gully	1	9,900	396			910	32			175	7		
By Canadian vessels: Western Bank	1	17,955	1,011			19,985	749			825	17		
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:													
Browns Bank	24	1,149,355	45,602			384,712	12,886			26,950	536		
Georges Bank	116	3,481,270	144,948			878,017	31,110			31,765	712		
Middle Bank	1												
Nantucket Shoals	10												
Seal Island	5	94,235	3,534			62,255	2,023						
Shore, general	2,961	2,964,812	163,756	16,765	1,174	12,983	423	965	55			63	3
Total	3,414	17,059,266	701,261	1,945,048	138,727	10,806,656	341,717	1,388,633	88,961	376,608	7,596	115,235	7,865
LANDED AT PORTLAND.													
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:													
La Have Bank	7	37,730	1,660			26,875	956			4,320	82		
Western Bank	14	557,555	18,210			12,775	485			660	13		
Queveau Bank	1	48,900	1,467										
Green Bank	1												
Grand Bank	4	6,290	252	1,610	113	1,815	64	590	39				
St. Peters Bank	2												
Cape Shore	7												

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Fishing grounds.	Number of trips.	Cod.											
		Large (10 pounds and over).				Market (under 10 and over 2½ pounds).				Scrod (1 to 2½ pounds).			
		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT PORTLAND—contd.													
<i>East of 66° W. longitude—Contd.</i>													
By Canadian vessels:													
La Have Bank.....	3	30,120	\$1,908			5,130	\$186			65	\$1		
Western Bank.....	16	750,216	24,929			422,749	13,153						
Off Newfoundland.....	1	1,000	30			7,900	237			2,100	64		
Cape Shore.....	11	37,820	1,868			63,065	2,387			5,135	114		
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:													
Browns Bank.....	1	5,625	225			4,810	144			2,600	39		
Georges Bank.....	7	76,700	3,560			15,750	618			1,205	24		
Cashes Bank.....	39	135,513	8,574			59,182	2,690			13,597	411		
Fippenies Bank.....	1	1,840	64			1,885	47			650	10		
Platts Bank.....	25	57,377	4,811			37,151	1,897			6,348	159		
Jeffreys Ledge.....	67	43,350	3,993			44,550	3,222			12,802	480		
Shore, general.....	2,298	954,136	71,454	495	\$50	534,731	31,357	1,122	\$107	130,508	4,366	1,115	\$60
By Canadian vessels: Seal Island.	1	1,485	66			4,035	137			910	23		
Total.....	2,506	2,745,657	143,071	2,105	163	1,242,403	57,580	1,712	146	185,900	5,786	1,115	60
Grand total.....	8,750	41,654,009	2,297,544	1,947,153	138,890	24,724,036	1,034,872	1,423,345	90,507	1,959,534	47,437	116,350	7,955

Fishing grounds.	Large (over 2½ pounds).				Scrod (1 to 2½ pounds).				Large (6 pounds and over).				Small (under 6 pounds).			
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.																
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>																
By American vessels:																
La Have Bank	526,575	\$31,146			70,715	\$2,653			56,150	\$3,121			56,501	\$2,314		
Western Bank	6,628,872	296,602			1,224,120	43,041			24,305	1,252			69,955	3,158		
Quereau Bank	4,550	181											2,900	145		
Grand Bank	43,000	1,330											15,500	873		
St. Peters Bank	75,500	3,330														
Cape Shore	429,050	32,553			21,240	960			24,090	1,442			55,940	2,421		
Gulf of St. Lawrence	25,500	1,020											6,000	400		
St. Anns Bank	16,000	1,012														
Roseway Bank	4,250	206			1,000	25							1,340	40		
By Canadian vessels:																
La Have Bank	6,730	269														
Western Bank	24,500	1,694			26,250	1,017							200	16		
Cape Shore	12,400	553														
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>																
By American vessels:																
Browns Bank	1,630,890	81,599			147,093	5,489			6,350	391			82,385	3,587		
Georges Bank	12,074,917	684,575			2,042,605	87,099			40,745	2,592			58,568	3,370		
Cashes Bank	9,230	483			2,980	65			3,155	206			15,480	628		
Clark Bank	32,000	1,220														
Fippenies Bank	19,675	1,771			670	34			2,710	304			13,045	805		
Middle Bank	559,225	43,050			20,015	910			101,597	10,074			428,799	23,610		
Jeffreys Ledge	483,870	49,135			32,030	2,073			20,013	2,352			146,620	11,141		
South Channel	19,620,165	970,040			2,238,395	72,947			575,088	35,535			651,431	33,299		
Nantucket Shoals	130,486	6,940			335	11			675	41			3,020	91		
Off Chatham	3,383,360	216,279			184,875	7,562			49,540	4,173			198,545	9,180		
Bay of Fundy	2,100	63							49,250	2,901			91,895	3,433		
Seal Island	38,000	1,615											1,230	49		
South	730	26											3,240	128		
Shore, general	169,923	10,948			9,190	433			24,225	3,265			112,628	5,001		
By Canadian vessels:																
Browns Bank	35,435	1,818			905	27			8,850	248						
Georges Bank	153,895	10,469			22,560	989							345	17		
Total	46,140,828	2,449,932			6,044,978	225,335			986,743	67,897			2,015,567	103,705		

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Fishing grounds.	Haddock.								Hake.							
	Large (over 2½ pounds).				Scrod (1 to 2½ pounds).				Large (6 pounds and over).				Small (under 6 pounds).			
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.																
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>																
By American vessels:																
Le Have Bank	103,348	\$2,930							19,875	\$563						
Western Bank	1,610,578	44,967	2,170	\$92	45,700	\$1,264			272,440	7,431	15,017	\$617				
Quereau Bank	2,731,226	70,955	47,898	2,385			6,810	\$238	54,333	1,467	11,545	418				
Grand Bank	16,550	416	2,475	154			8,829	618	14,375	433	3,180	170		460	\$25	
St. Peters Bank	154,545	3,965	310	14					20,530	594	3,920	176				
Cape Shore	3,690	92							7,870	197						
Gulf of St. Lawrence									2,885	87						
The Gully	70	2														
By Canadian vessels: Western Bank	27,435	970			44,090	1,102			1,425	46						
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>																
By American vessels:																
Browns Bank	342,065	10,695			10,535	485			850	21						
Georges Bank	2,223,175	70,985			361,265	11,957			55,495	1,517			150	53		
Seal Island	625	16							37,385	1,030						
Shore, general	710,761	43,519							46,036	3,933	105	4				
Total	7,924,068	240,512	52,853	2,645	461,590	14,808	15,639	856	533,499	17,319	33,767	1,385	150	3	460	25
LANDED AT PORTLAND.																
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>																
By American vessels:																
La Have Bank	81,055	3,784			5,585	138			1,615	125			4,840	240		
Western Bank	1,479,420	46,731											8,505	213		
Quereau Bank	97,800	2,934														
Grand Bank									540	16	740	33				

Western Bank.....	2,759,597	92,009										1,180	80			
Off Newfoundland.....	31,200	1,326										2,900	87			
Cape Shore.....	228,375	9,088			5,785	110			13,970	499		24,930	787			
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>																
By American vessels:																
Browns Bank.....	24,006	780			4,020	131										
Georges Bank.....	29,850	1,440			2,180	55			1,000	50		2,435	79			
Cashes Bank.....	14,170	972			1,250	48			19,615	1,101		33,659	1,178			
Pippenies Bank.....	860	43			300	9						145	5			
Platts Bank.....	34,477	2,687			1,635	57			21,351	1,621		70,149	3,107			
Jeffreys Ledge.....	296,712	26,801			19,830	1,003	1,003		16,894	1,435		129,545	6,267			
Shore, general.....	860,175	63,611			30,949	1,477			233,296	17,280		1,115,374	48,173			
By Canadian vessels: Seal Island	7,460	305			320	8										
Total.....	5,959,531	253,142			72,054	3,046			314,036	22,463	740	33	1,395,867	60,254		
Grand total.....	60,024,427	2,952,586	52,853	2,645	6,578,622	243,189	15,639	856	1,834,278	107,679	34,507	1,418	3,411,584	163,963	460	25

Fishing grounds.	Pollock.				Cusk.				Halibut.				
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		
LANDED AT BOSTON.													
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>													
By American vessels:	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
La Have Bank.....	32,915	\$2,074			76,235	\$3,391			19,273	\$4,566			
Western Bank.....	615,275	26,959			122,071	4,747			90,655	21,429			
Quereau Bank.....	9,850	340			1,940	63			4,890	716			
Grand Bank.....					300	9			20,000	3,000			
St. Peters Bank.....									2,262	515			
Cape Shore.....	17,950	1,020			85,805	2,846			20,829	4,815			
St. Anns Bank.....	200	8							50	12			
Roseway Bank.....	990	30			12,030	283			394	74			
By Canadian vessels:													
La Have Bank.....	708	49			5,675	193			690	116			
Western Bank.....	20,275	917							260	134			
Cape Shore.....	900	41			2,025	51			41	6			

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Fishing grounds.	Pollock.				Cusk.				Halibut.			
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
LANDED AT BOSTON—continued.												
<i>West of 86° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels:	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Browns Bank.....	171,070	\$3,463			317,136	\$12,316			93,087	\$19,611		
Georges Bank.....	524,333	31,458			138,817	6,495			326,780	56,536		
Cashes Bank.....	3,690	236			34,400	1,405			543	137		
Clark Bank.....	1,800	72							1,586	367		
Pippenies Bank.....	6,885	414			10,485	523			92	39		
Middle Bank.....	45,565	4,018			85,452	3,949			4,559	1,431		
Jeffreys Ledge.....	116,550	8,728			70,947	4,667			1,925	531		
South Channel.....	1,061,506	65,102			31,515	1,028			69,397	14,783		
Nantucket Shoals.....	181,821	9,109			1,710	54			9,321	1,561		
Off Chatham.....	698,802	42,824			20,085	803			12,774	2,689		
Bay of Fundy.....	7,960	296			12,520	387			513	122		
Seal Island.....	2,000	80			9,835	344			797	209		
South.....	1,070	37										
Shore, general.....	718,951	45,148			21,770	836			2,115	447		
By Canadian vessels:												
Browns Bank.....	35,925	1,241			23,010	717			3,472	687		
Georges Bank.....	14,480	605			4,610	175			620	121		
Total.....	4,291,471	250,269			1,088,403	44,682			686,955	134,654		
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.												
<i>East of 86° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels:												
La Have Bank.....	10,685	273	100	\$5	32,220	957	535	\$32	42,857	5,659		
Western Bank.....	171,515	4,561	26,345	1,077	218,799	6,595	12,530	522	333,257	49,972	787	\$94
Quereau Bank.....	178,745	4,641	26,568	999	63,260	1,827	340	19	75,538	9,673	7,239	799
Green Bank.....									10,410	1,423		
Grand Bank.....	845	20	210	9	765	22	435	20	167,966	21,506	2,905	347
St. Peters Bank.....	10,170	255	35	2	1,650	54			8,087	998		
Cape Shore.....	325	8			3,657	100						
The Gully.....	85	2										
By Canadian vessels: Western Bank.....	24,365	871							17,480	2,003		
									86	32		

West of 66° W. longitude.

By American vessels:												
Browns Bank	45,880	1,045			49,345	1,534				1,178	189	
Georges Bank	48,055	1,359			171,417	5,162				70,954	11,516	
Seal Island	7,305	180			119,757	3,571						
Shore, general	20,249,827	648,597			16,720	483				43,851	6,937	
Total	20,747,802	661,812	53,258	2,092	677,598	20,305	13,940	593	771,664	110,508	10,931	1,240
LANDED AT PORTLAND.												
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels:												
La Have Bank	2,630	89			12,925	443				34,526	7,707	
Western Bank	42,138	982			5,915	164				24,683	4,506	
Quereau Bank	1,900	29										
Green Bank										18,144	460	
Grand Bank					370	11				86,721	15,817	
St. Peters Bank										73,289	13,929	
By Canadian vessels:												
La Have Bank	9,080	228			5,140	169				16,710	3,319	
Western Bank	66,801	1,281			11,230	251				15,053	2,325	
Off Newfoundland	12,035	361								1,628	301	
Cape Shore	5,095	179			52,955	1,896				7,580	982	
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels:												
Browns Bank	720	18			1,145	29				914	180	
Georges Bank	640	23			4,550	162				4,762	1,032	
Cashes Bank	25,380	932			253,495	9,142				3,412	770	
Pippenies Bank	390	10			1,870	42				3,123	25	
Platts Bank	10,443	498			66,280	2,326				3,254	641	
Jeffreys Ledge	25,430	1,401			66,979	3,573				2,400	515	
Shore, general	1,265,257	41,877			392,565	19,135				15,030	3,327	
By Canadian vessels: Seal Island	150	4			2,900	78				225	42	
Total	1,468,089	47,912			878,319	37,451				311,454	65,878	
Grand total	26,507,362	959,993	53,258	2,092	2,644,320	102,438	13,940	593	1,770,073	301,040	10,931	1,240

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Fishing grounds.	Mackerel.											
	Large (over 2½ pounds).				Medium (1½ to 2½ pounds).				Small (under 1½ pounds).			
	Fresh		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.												
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels: Cape Shore.....	1,366,554	\$125,287	66,000	\$6,930	4,485	\$135						
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels:												
Georges Bank.....	20,000	3,000			20,000	3,000						
Middle Bank.....					41,385	6,783						
Jeffreys Ledge.....					11,298	970						
South Channel.....					264,180	12,510						
Nantucket Shoals.....	930,938	111,896										
Off Chatham.....	32,045	5,369			2,270	250			500	\$20		
South.....	211,693	30,717										
Shore, general.....	2,434,596	273,472	108,400	17,058	917,742	147,861	30,220	\$4,479	307,927	31,267	9,400	\$1,504
Total.....	4,995,826	549,741	174,400	23,988	1,261,360	171,509	30,220	4,479	308,427	31,287	9,400	1,504
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.												
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels: Cape Shore.....	43,230	4,435	1,260,563	134,733								
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>												
By American vessels:												
Georges Bank.....			56,500	11,303							200	27
Middle Bank.....							1,600	267				
Nantucket Shoals.....			5,600	934	128,710	2,824	19,000	2,126	200	27		
Shore, general.....	55,742	9,056	51,895	8,329	114,991	9,746	891,575	138,726			25,700	3,881
Total.....	98,972	13,491	1,374,558	155,299	243,701	12,570	912,175	141,119	200	27	25,900	3,908

<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>										
By American vessels: Cape shore	172,185	12,764	48,200	4,820						
By Canadian vessels: Cape Shore	29,152	2,423								
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>										
By American vessels: Shore, general	242,406	34,124	1,200	168	106,241	14,345		123,944	11,358	
Total	443,743	49,311	49,400	4,988	106,241	14,345		123,944	11,358	
Grand total	5,538,541	612,543	1,598,358	184,275	1,611,302	198,424	942,395	145,598	432,571	42,672
									35,300	5,412

Fishing grounds.	Miscellaneous.				Total.				Grand total.	
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.			
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.										
<i>East of 66° W. longitude.</i>										
By American vessels:										
La Have Bank	19,955	\$1,124			1,647,514	\$97,267			1,647,514	\$97,267
Western Bank	163,168	7,686			15,344,494	773,735			15,344,494	773,735
Quereau Bank	765	31			225,025	11,130			225,025	11,130
Grand Bank					81,800	5,414			81,800	5,414
St. Peters Bank					142,762	6,700			142,762	6,700
Off Newfoundland	80,000	5,600			80,000	5,600	35,000	\$1,400	115,000	7,000
Cape Shore	63,013	10,842			2,754,440	221,672	66,000	6,930	2,820,440	228,602
Gulf of St. Lawrence	3,000	186			41,100	2,021			41,100	2,021
St. Anns Bank	1,800	72			53,335	3,007			53,335	3,007
Roseway Bank	1,000	40			41,059	1,420			41,059	1,420
By Canadian vessels:										
La Have Bank					27,598	1,327			27,598	1,327
Western Bank					87,090	4,620			87,090	4,620
Cape Shore	230	12			25,406	1,479			25,406	1,479
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>										
By American vessels:										
Browns Bank	144,720	18,596			4,910,668	276,033			4,910,668	276,033
Georges Bank	1,138,079	194,272			32,599,683	2,038,562			32,599,683	2,038,562
Cashes Bank	3,180	160			113,433	6,147			113,433	6,147
Clark Bank	1,600	48			62,186	2,960			62,186	2,960
Fippenes Bank	2,865	154			83,857	6,574			83,857	6,574

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Georges Bank.....					1,321,008	278,206	50,700	11,535	7,518,208	280,089
Middle Bank.....							1,600	267	1,600	267
Nantucket Shoals.....					128,910	2,851	24,600	3,060	153,510	5,911
Seal Island.....					321,562	10,354			321,562	10,354
Shore, general.....	2,218,904	40,494	7,600	164	26,434,627	926,944	994,668	152,335	27,429,295	1,079,279
Total.....	2,300,704	45,402	6,232,624	321,529	62,002,478	2,196,331	12,173,021	866,274	74,175,499	3,062,605
LANDED AT PORTLAND.										
<i>East of 66° W. longitude</i>										
By American vessels:										
La Have Bank.....	920	132			213,021	15,356			213,021	15,356
Western Bank.....	5,970	143			2,137,621	71,447			2,137,621	71,447
Quebec Bank.....	900	14			149,500	4,444			149,500	4,444
Green Bank.....					18,144	460			18,144	460
Grand Bank.....	180	47			95,916	16,207	2,940	185	98,856	16,392
St. Peters Bank.....					86,739	14,529			86,739	14,529
Cape Shore.....	12,693	2,487			184,878	15,251	48,200	4,820	233,078	20,071
By Canadian vessels:										
La Have Bank.....	5,328	1,105			80,363	7,366			80,363	7,366
Western Bank.....	10,201	128			4,037,027	134,136			4,037,027	134,136
Off Newfoundland.....					59,063	2,415			59,063	2,415
Cape Shore.....	220	8			474,082	20,347			474,082	20,347
<i>West of 66° W. longitude.</i>										
By American vessels:										
Browns Bank.....	970	25			44,804	1,571			44,804	1,571
Georges Bank.....	12,582	2,430			151,654	9,473			151,654	9,473
Cashes Bank.....	37,455	794			601,728	26,612			601,728	26,612
Fippenic's Bank.....					8,063	255			8,063	255
Platts Bank.....	3,431	104			311,896	17,908			311,896	17,908
Jeffreys Ledge.....	23,828	771			682,320	49,461			682,320	49,461
Shore, general.....	6,432,025	105,995			12,439,637	467,879	3,932	385	12,443,569	468,264
By Canadian vessels: Seal Island.....	600	19			18,085	082			18,085	682
Total.....	6,547,303	114,202			21,794,541	875,799	55,072	5,390	21,849,613	881,189
Grand total.....	14,333,381	564,133	6,232,624	321,529	193,024,040	9,628,513	12,477,113	903,035	205,501,153	10,631,548

^a Herring. Other items under "Miscellaneous" include alewives, 97 pounds, value \$2; bluebacks, 16,905 pounds, value \$696; bluefish, 4 pounds, value \$1; bonito, 2,100 pounds, value \$210; butterfish, 19,257 pounds, value \$2,053; catfish or wolf fish, 233,371 pounds, value \$7,768; eels, 1,620 pounds, value \$88; flounders, 2,269,807 pounds, value \$93,800; goosefish, 1,210 pounds, value \$18; herring, 8,602,538 pounds, value \$128,645; redfish, 160,889 pounds, value \$4,363; salmon, 288 pounds, value \$59; shad, 29,807 pounds, value \$2,984; sharks, 55,906 pounds, value \$1,754; skates, 179,726 pounds, value \$3,958; smelt, 27,535 pounds, value \$2,978; sturgeon, 4,857 pounds, value \$435; swordfish, 1,034,091 pounds, value \$223,192; tifeish, 299,420 pounds, value \$20,246; whiting, 10,460 pounds, value \$100; blackfish, 200 pounds, value \$2; porpoise, 175 pounds, value \$3; lobster, 502 pounds, value \$119; squid, 100 pounds, value \$6; livers, 1,120,331 pounds, value \$52,363; sounds, 13,704 pounds, value \$795; spawn, 83,166 pounds, value \$6,790; and tongues, 3,515 pounds, value \$197.

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Months.	Number of trips.	Cod.											
		Large (10 pounds and over).				Market (under 10 and over 2½ pounds).				Scrod (1 to 2½ pounds).			
		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
LANDED AT BOSTON.		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
January.....	130	701,631	\$63,935			623,320	\$40,452			172,201	\$4,954		
February.....	167	3,112,655	231,856			533,886	41,727			72,720	2,250		
March.....	239	3,488,862	210,086			672,728	26,275			61,784	1,585		
April.....	193	3,982,163	184,645			720,936	28,631	35,000	\$1,400	59,078	1,249		
May.....	265	2,187,848	107,883			1,398,439	52,877			160,954	3,844		
June.....	224	1,339,123	92,171			1,502,970	69,902			150,343	3,273		
July.....	337	1,413,700	97,351			1,933,329	91,230			143,452	3,183		
August.....	367	1,413,906	108,432			1,421,162	71,707			187,554	5,014		
September.....	269	1,207,809	108,218			1,305,888	69,963			176,857	3,802		
October.....	250	886,512	78,668			832,055	45,354			83,855	1,641		
November.....	231	1,171,679	86,881			925,755	42,910			63,833	1,417		
December.....	158	943,198	86,086			804,509	44,547			64,395	1,843		
Total.....	2,830	21,849,086	1,453,212			12,674,977	635,575	35,000	1,400	1,397,026	34,055		
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
January.....	171	25,589	2,642			5,340	267			3,210	32		
February.....	86	158,302	12,114			20,760	1,322			2,340	78		
March.....	411	1,169,496	59,542			186,515	6,963			2,545	50		
April.....	492	4,611,343	196,271	12,530	\$877	614,699	20,802	10,025	577	29,425	614	80	\$3
May.....	441	3,324,958	120,267	16,345	1,062	2,463,628	79,710	33,963	1,868	72,105	1,444		
June.....	170	2,546,326	91,748	722,985	47,691	2,687,531	81,500	5,548	33,304	89,391	1,769	27,250	1,471
July.....	128	2,135,997	78,088	493,903	31,958	2,360,963	72,257	359,668	20,495	83,272	1,631	39,882	2,246
August.....	77	1,535,690	54,450	165,860	11,438	1,619,180	48,692	120,816	7,538	48,385	968	4,935	287
September.....	76	682,275	25,007	380,475	30,431	508,340	16,801	181,220	13,592	24,210	540	8,330	586
October.....	308	283,527	21,271	125,775	12,552	44,465	1,626	98,038	8,979	2,500	84	23,000	2,185
November.....	647	427,532	22,410	27,175	2,718	249,360	9,906	27,455	2,608	14,330	288	11,758	1,117
December.....	407	158,231	11,451			45,875	1,871			4,995	98		
Total.....	3,414	17,059,266	701,261	1,945,048	138,727	10,806,656	341,717	1,386,633	88,961	376,608	7,596	115,235	7,895

January.....	125	51,613	6,283			75,532	7,938			24,684	1,678		
February.....	125	81,336	5,755			68,573	5,144			12,982	616		
March.....	234	143,628	7,448	1,610	113	79,501	4,131	590	39	15,897	423		
April.....	221	392,463	14,031			136,999	4,376			32,490	575		
May.....	346	340,156	11,913			284,972	9,158			13,432	212		
June.....	318	547,840	21,204			20,339	902			5,010	95		
July.....	152	610,213	27,986			24,544	1,350			5,398	173		
August.....	162	207,625	13,671			241,435	8,079			6,769	140		
September.....	173	93,328	8,120	495	50	44,096	2,556	1,122	107	10,957	332	1,115	60
October.....	234	110,365	9,238			95,457	4,423			16,744	412		
November.....	217	105,401	8,773			79,583	3,791			15,393	385		
December.....	199	91,686	9,649			91,330	5,776			26,144	794		
Total.....	2,506	2,745,657	143,071	2,105	163	1,242,403	57,580	1,712	146	185,900	5,786	1,115	60
Grand total.....	8,750	41,654,009	2,297,544	1,947,153	138,897	24,724,033	1,034,872	1,423,345	90,507	1,959,534	47,437	116,350	7,955
Grounds E. of 66° W. long.....	654	15,527,557	708,519	1,929,893	137,666	13,334,418	465,539	1,421,258	90,345	546,448	12,246	115,235	7,895
Grounds W. of 66° W. long.....	8,095	26,126,452	1,589,025	17,200	1,224	11,389,618	569,333	2,087	162	1,413,088	35,191	1,115	60
Landed at Boston in 1917.....	2,962	11,366,216	685,115			11,905,068	507,939			1,872,806	40,008		
Landed at Gloucester in 1917.....	3,074	9,983,851	357,421	2,894,581	149,756	10,168,146	270,762	3,327,379	157,573	420,291	5,038	279,406	10,226
Landed at Portland in 1917.....	3,248	2,452,959	122,029	63,420	3,493	1,386,475	52,685	8,905	428	317,025	8,356		

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Months.	Haddock.								Hake.							
	Large (over 2½ pounds).				Scrod (1 to 2½ pounds).				Large (6 pounds and over).				Small (under 6 pounds).			
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.																
January.....	2,516,592	\$204,155			733,713	\$39,962			5,063	\$731			58,729	\$5,268		
February.....	3,739,185	271,190			753,005	34,332			8,050	357			30,876	2,669		
March.....	4,658,010	288,361			784,125	33,915			3,145	335			40,885	2,516		
April.....	3,501,365	128,652			542,875	14,507			2,260	181			16,560	752		
May.....	3,036,590	123,604			721,820	13,740			48,560	2,808			120,475	4,560		
June.....	2,174,983	127,129			458,355	15,824			25,175	1,221			44,420	1,922		
July.....	3,344,996	149,799			368,405	11,348			158,723	8,456			139,045	7,964		
August.....	4,204,206	181,969			205,780	7,033			183,475	9,718			214,168	11,663		
September.....	5,985,043	258,267			426,353	13,179			191,819	13,607			195,102	10,944		
October.....	5,075,598	240,521			424,725	14,369			160,915	12,208			358,358	16,872		
November.....	4,516,580	225,772			296,862	9,837			156,901	12,331			449,089	17,253		
December.....	3,387,680	246,513			328,960	17,289			47,657	5,854			817,860	21,317		
Total.....	46,140,828	2,449,932			6,044,978	225,335			986,743	67,897			2,015,567	103,706		
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.																
January.....	43,288	3,284							24,752	2,953						
February.....	55,322	4,538							6,302	469			150	8		
March.....	794,639	33,857			14,320	732										
April.....	1,720,958	54,053			175,235	6,209										
May.....	1,279,661	34,858	200	\$8	181,865	5,493			1,340	34	185	\$7				
June.....	391,568	10,337	14,110	622	380	8			19,763	494	877	31				
July.....	1,208,374	31,261	20,545	924			6,810	\$238	47,820	1,225	10,130	355				
August.....	1,219,290	30,544	2,230	100					160,345	4,329	11,665	473				
September.....	572,960	15,313	7,480	411	42,600	1,172			180,295	4,378	4,070	183				
October.....	166,979	7,883	1,575	110			8,829	618	63,800	2,826	4,195	191				
November.....	388,706	16,789	6,713	470	45,290	1,132			1,862	79					460	\$26
December.....	82,923	6,295			1,900	62			17,220	532	2,645	145				
Total.....	7,924,068	249,512	52,853	2,645	461,590	14,808	15,639	856	533,499	17,319	33,707	1,385	150	8	460	26

January.....	213, 117	20, 720	.....	.....	10, 687	610	.....	.....	2, 606	271	.....	.....	24, 041	2, 114	.....	.....
February.....	141, 946	10, 420	.....	.....	5, 976	283	.....	.....	12, 937	936	740	33	65, 618	8, 376	.....	.....
March.....	803, 893	30, 755	.....	.....	10, 604	311	.....	.....	20, 020	1, 074	.....	.....	30, 231	863	.....	.....
April.....	1, 197, 719	41, 899	.....	.....	9, 112	230	.....	.....	11, 588	507	.....	.....	60, 598	1, 864	.....	.....
May.....	1, 451, 422	44, 339	.....	.....	1, 312	39	.....	.....	11, 989	655	.....	.....	48, 601	1, 681	.....	.....
June.....	754, 062	26, 786	.....	.....	433	18	.....	.....	11, 153	664	.....	.....	38, 096	1, 586	.....	.....
July.....	600, 551	21, 335	.....	.....	219	10	.....	.....	20, 341	1, 180	.....	.....	83, 124	2, 912	.....	.....
August.....	33, 497	1, 927	.....	.....	1, 053	46	.....	.....	67, 848	5, 875	.....	.....	267, 678	13, 237	.....	.....
September.....	276, 854	13, 814	.....	.....	9, 813	371	.....	.....	78, 860	5, 631	.....	.....	407, 054	15, 270	.....	.....
October.....	176, 345	11, 115	.....	.....	5, 151	186	.....	.....	55, 767	3, 368	.....	.....	206, 455	7, 449	.....	.....
November.....	241, 574	20, 590	.....	.....	12, 215	517	.....	.....	16, 744	1, 719	.....	.....	136, 315	8, 365	.....	.....
December.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	5, 959, 531	253, 142	.....	.....	72, 054	3, 046	.....	.....	314, 036	22, 463	740	33	1, 395, 867	60, 254	.....	.....
Grand total.....	60, 024, 427	2, 952, 586	52, 853	2, 645	6, 578, 622	243, 189	15, 639	856	1, 834, 278	107, 679	34, 507	1, 418	3, 411, 584	163, 963	460	25
Grounds E. of 66° W. long.....	17, 136, 196	650, 701	52, 853	2, 645	1, 444, 685	50, 320	15, 639	856	520, 158	17, 609	34, 402	1, 414	252, 896	10, 812	460	25
Grounds W. of 66° W. long.....	42, 888, 231	2, 301, 885	.....	.....	5, 133, 937	192, 869	.....	.....	1, 314, 120	90, 070	105	4	3, 158, 688	153, 151	.....	.....
Landed at Boston in 1917.....	34, 042, 297	1, 788, 206	.....	.....	11, 474, 315	395, 211	.....	.....	1, 314, 469	72, 879	.....	.....	3, 665, 866	157, 661	.....	.....
Landed at Gloucester in 1917....	2, 585, 147	92, 977	159, 493	4, 809	64, 715	609	600	16	733, 859	21, 555	72, 202	2, 241	1, 570	56	.....	.....
Landed at Portland in 1917.....	4, 981, 768	225, 784	246, 460	8, 910	374, 655	22, 527	880	34	1, 749, 139	64, 346	2, 009	86

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Months.	Pollock.				Cusk.				Halibut.			
	Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.		Fresh.		Salted.	
LANDED AT BOSTON.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
January.....	92,987	\$7,011			98,422	\$5,312			6,396	\$2,144		
February.....	138,712	11,801			65,957	3,726			38,017	10,251		
March.....	104,765	7,489			78,085	3,815			18,911	5,082		
April.....	173,530	7,793			84,694	2,897			30,946	7,179		
May.....	342,767	13,793			191,165	5,385			187,124	33,482		
June.....	313,422	15,682			48,495	1,703			66,297	9,751		
July.....	634,543	35,563			118,481	4,439			102,178	13,802		
August.....	733,714	60,077			44,817	2,373			64,337	11,587		
September.....	541,408	40,773			58,295	2,629			89,378	16,012		
October.....	525,035	29,133			93,255	3,768			31,408	7,999		
November.....	510,183	21,274			57,499	2,065			31,372	9,364		
December.....	180,405	9,880			149,238	6,570			20,591	8,001		
Total.....	4,291,471	250,269			1,088,403	44,682			686,955	134,654		
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.												
January.....	297,166	27,069										
February.....	15,257	1,157			13,684	737			776	146		
March.....	255,719	14,519			22,725	784			12,184	2,061		
April.....	190,214	8,172	4,990	\$115	36,460	706			46,642	6,772		
May.....	1,238,102	28,358			151,547	4,130	390	\$17	84,707	14,623		
June.....	689,746	15,631	28,408	1,082	25,570	763	85	3	242,220	32,500	2,663	\$276
July.....	104,412	2,833	14,360	646	207,736	6,893	11,005	443	219,843	31,481	3,625	412
August.....	90,630	2,257	5,310	239	105,420	2,848	1,890	95	75,915	10,076	85	7
September.....	38,270	1,045	190	10	77,406	2,266	580	35	84,383	12,091	4,500	540
October.....	5,817,544	176,473			21,175	729			4,898	766	40	3
November.....	7,220,356	216,921			10,220	327			86	32	18	2
December.....	4,849,386	167,377			3,655	122						
Total.....	20,747,802	661,812	53,258	2,092	677,598	20,305	13,940	593	771,664	110,508	10,931	1,240
LANDED AT PORTLAND.												
January.....	21,455	1,903			34,243	2,636			127	19		
February.....	20,380	1,752			31,705	2,435			9,119	2,145		
March.....	77,276	3,830			78,470	4,035			14,783	2,365		

April.....	184,174	4,163			56,272	1,501			9,276	1,728		
May.....	334,912	5,920			25,738	1,000			49,603	8,188		
June.....	189,270	5,377			58,925	2,889			16,063	2,953		
July.....	21,389	1,118			48,501	2,069			27,085	5,468		
August.....	38,657	2,193			75,612	3,858			81,779	14,223		
September.....	222,365	9,421			128,618	5,147			59,498	9,213		
October.....	174,494	6,435			94,982	3,173			25,608	6,630		
November.....	39,125	1,644			64,337	3,544			2,053	473		
December.....												
Total.....	1,468,089	47,912			878,319	37,451			311,454	55,878		
Grand total.....	26,507,362	959,993	53,258	2,092	2,644,320	102,438	13,940	593	1,770,073	301,040	10,931	1,240
Grounds E. of 66° W. long.....	1,235,477	45,218	53,258	2,092	714,975	24,102	13,940	593	1,093,359	176,595	10,931	1,240
Grounds W. of 66° W. long.....	25,271,885	914,775			1,929,345	78,336			676,714	124,445		
Landed at Boston in 1917.....	4,008,279	178,544			2,052,048	71,416			490,478	80,041		
Landed at Gloucester in 1917.....	9,137,659	354,119	39,870	1,204	577,148	12,821	20,405	608	907,770	96,373	42,364	8,604
Landed at Portland in 1917.....	1,321,572	45,389	412	12	896,202	34,198	3,500	71	325,462	39,214		

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Months.	Miscellaneous.						Total.					
	Fresh		Salted		Fresh		Salted		Fresh		Salted	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.												
January.....	75,980	\$3,687	5,085,040	\$377,606	5,085,040	\$377,606	5,085,040	\$377,606	5,085,040	\$377,606	5,085,040	\$377,606
February.....	121,787	8,187	8,099,820	618,446	8,099,820	618,446	8,099,820	618,446	8,099,820	618,446	8,099,820	618,446
March.....	383,220	16,465	10,284,320	684,074	10,284,320	684,074	10,284,320	684,074	10,284,320	684,074	10,284,320	684,074
April.....	381,079	16,809	9,456,480	393,675	45,000	\$1,400	9,456,480	393,675	45,000	\$1,400	9,456,480	393,675
May.....	874,539	27,944	9,487,194	421,659	9,487,194	421,659	9,487,194	421,659	9,487,194	421,659	9,487,194	421,659
June.....	478,222	16,719	8,099,872	555,141	8,099,872	555,141	8,099,872	555,141	8,099,872	555,141	8,099,872	555,141
July.....	795,863	67,445	11,044,346	764,288	10,400	17,168	11,044,346	764,288	10,400	17,168	11,044,346	764,288
August.....	923,779	132,800	10,144,065	669,047	11,011,064	693,163	10,144,065	669,047	11,011,064	693,163	10,144,065	669,047
September.....	300,342	20,871	9,195,828	523,409	9,195,828	523,409	9,195,828	523,409	9,195,828	523,409	9,195,828	523,409
October.....	449,155	25,941	8,020,246	468,406	8,020,246	468,406	8,020,246	468,406	8,020,246	468,406	8,020,246	468,406
November.....	329,159	17,829	6,047,370	468,217	6,047,370	468,217	6,047,370	468,217	6,047,370	468,217	6,047,370	468,217
December.....	371,213	15,957	109,277,021	6,556,383	109,277,021	6,556,383	109,277,021	6,556,383	109,277,021	6,556,383	109,277,021	6,556,383
Total.....	5,485,374	404,529	106,684	8,060,684	505,983	44,245	3,131,810	166,684	3,131,810	166,684	3,131,810	166,684
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.												
January.....	106,638	7,048	1,049,258	79,181	1,049,258	79,181	1,049,258	79,181	1,049,258	79,181	1,049,258	79,181
February.....	142,045	8,518	2,083,173	120,439	2,083,173	120,439	2,083,173	120,439	2,083,173	120,439	2,083,173	120,439
March.....	64,115	2,444	7,432,946	292,917	7,432,946	292,917	7,432,946	292,917	7,432,946	292,917	7,432,946	292,917
April.....	1,578,546	19,916	10,191,144	310,433	10,191,144	310,433	10,191,144	310,433	10,191,144	310,433	10,191,144	310,433
May.....	364,360	4,366	7,008,801	244,264	7,008,801	244,264	7,008,801	244,264	7,008,801	244,264	7,008,801	244,264
June.....	6,090	83	6,301,363	280,566	6,301,363	280,566	6,301,363	280,566	6,301,363	280,566	6,301,363	280,566
July.....	6,090	83	6,003,455	166,350	6,003,455	166,350	6,003,455	166,350	6,003,455	166,350	6,003,455	166,350
August.....	6,840	910	2,124,244	77,361	2,124,244	77,361	2,124,244	77,361	2,124,244	77,361	2,124,244	77,361
September.....	31,871	1,257	6,208,119	213,203	6,208,119	213,203	6,208,119	213,203	6,208,119	213,203	6,208,119	213,203
October.....	2,300,714	45,402	8,246,226	271,966	8,246,226	271,966	8,246,226	271,966	8,246,226	271,966	8,246,226	271,966
November.....	6,840	910	5,178,736	198,533	5,178,736	198,533	5,178,736	198,533	5,178,736	198,533	5,178,736	198,533
December.....	31,871	1,257	874,210	46,923	874,210	46,923	874,210	46,923	874,210	46,923	874,210	46,923
Total.....	2,300,714	45,402	6,272,024	321,529	6,272,024	321,529	12,173,021	869,374	12,173,021	869,374	74,173,499	3,062,005
LANDED AT PORTLAND.												
January.....	55,911	1,735	362,837	34,009	362,837	34,009	362,837	34,009	362,837	34,009	362,837	34,009
February.....	64,092	2,110	549,328	43,672	549,328	43,672	549,328	43,672	549,328	43,672	549,328	43,672
March.....	56,461	1,473	662,370	38,730	662,370	38,730	3,940	185	3,940	185	662,370	38,730

June.....	3, 135, 678	44, 107			5, 837, 704	142, 759	48, 200	4, 520	2, 385, 495	185, 797
July.....	657, 624	10, 541			2, 386, 495	83, 797			1, 512, 542	86, 267
August.....	40, 399	4, 611			1, 511, 342	86, 099	1, 200	168	975, 366	94, 767
September.....	36, 772	3, 002			972, 634	84, 580	2, 732	217	1, 470, 691	76, 897
October.....	59, 649	3, 305			1, 470, 691	76, 807			986, 601	53, 818
November.....	43, 136	1, 914			986, 601	53, 818			765, 699	54, 562
December.....	44, 176	1, 491			765, 699	54, 562				
Total.....	6, 547, 303	114, 202			21, 794, 541	875, 799	55, 072	5, 390	21, 849, 613	881, 189
Grand total.....	14, 333, 381	564, 133	6, 232, 624	321, 529	193, 024, 040	9, 628, 513	12, 477, 113	903, 035	205, 501, 153	10, 531, 548
Grounds E. of 66° W. long.....	451, 148	34, 565	6, 225, 024	321, 365	53, 872, 923	2, 341, 270	11, 247, 593	712, 617	65, 120, 516	3, 053, 887
Grounds W. of 66° W. long.....	13, 882, 233	529, 568	7, 600	164	139, 151, 117	7, 287, 243	1, 229, 520	190, 418	140, 380, 637	7, 477, 661
Landed at Boston in 1917.....	6, 615, 341	425, 826			98, 154, 629	6, 122, 568	495, 510	43, 872	98, 650, 139	5, 166, 440
Landed at Gloucester in 1917.....	3, 404, 964	50, 268	6, 321, 810	212, 317	40, 062, 098	1, 366, 350	18, 072, 846	1, 085, 134	58, 134, 944	2, 451, 484
Landed at Portland in 1917.....	3, 907, 240	72, 267			18, 566, 377	739, 278	79, 126	4, 130	18, 645, 503	743, 408

^a Includes herring from Newfoundland, 161,800 pounds frozen, value \$10,508, and 6,225,024 pounds, salted, value \$321,365.

The fishery products landed at Boston and Gloucester, Mass., and Portland, Me., by fishing vessels each year are taken principally from fishing grounds lying off the coast of the United States. In the calendar year 1918, 68.10 per cent of the quantity and 70.86 per cent of the value of the catch landed at these ports by American and Canadian fishing vessels were taken from these grounds; 4.36 per cent of the quantity and 4.70 per cent of the value, consisting chiefly of herring, were taken from fishing banks off the coast of Newfoundland; and 27.52 of the quantity and 24.43 per cent of the value from fishing grounds off the Canadian Provinces. Newfoundland herring constituted 3.10 per cent of the quantity and 3.15 per cent of the value of the fishery products landed at these ports during the year. The herring were taken on the treaty coast of Newfoundland, and the cod and other species from that region were obtained from fishing banks on the high seas. All fish caught by American fishing vessels off the Canadian Provinces were from offshore fishing grounds. The catch from each of these regions is given in detail in the following table:

QUANTITY AND VALUE OF FISH LANDED BY AMERICAN AND CANADIAN FISHING VESSELS AT BOSTON AND GLOUCESTER, MASS., AND PORTLAND, ME., IN 1918, FROM GROUNDS OFF THE COAST OF THE UNITED STATES, NEWFOUNDLAND, AND CANADIAN PROVINCES.

Species.	United States.		Newfoundland.		Canadian Provinces.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Cod:								
Fresh.....	38,747,186	\$2,186,911	1,131,625	\$39,770	28,458,768	\$1,153,172	68,337,579	\$3,379,853
Salted.....	20,525	1,448	627,863	50,149	2,838,460	185,755	3,486,848	237,352
Haddock:								
Fresh.....	47,975,763	2,492,810	334,245	10,967	18,293,041	691,998	66,603,049	3,195,515
Salted.....			11,614	786	56,878	2,715	68,492	3,195,515
Hake:								
Fresh.....	4,434,193	242,142	54,145	2,012	757,524	27,488	5,245,862	271,642
Salted.....	105	4	8,300	404	26,562	1,035	34,967	1,411
Tollock:								
Fresh.....	25,262,430	914,511	23,050	636	1,221,882	44,846	26,507,362	959,357
Salted.....			245	11	53,013	2,081	53,258	2,092
Cusk:								
Fresh.....	1,796,853	74,343	3,095	96	844,372	27,999	2,644,320	102,438
Salted.....			435	20	13,505	573	13,940	102,438
Halibut:								
Fresh.....	675,692	124,194	388,507	57,949	705,874	118,897	1,770,073	301,141
Salted.....			2,905	347	8,026	893	10,931	1,142
Mackerel:								
Fresh.....	5,966,808	708,595			1,615,606	145,044	7,582,414	853,639
Salted.....	1,201,290	188,802			1,374,763	146,483	2,576,053	335,331
Herring:								
Fresh.....	8,602,538	128,645	161,800	10,508			8,764,338	139,153
Salted.....	7,600	164	6,225,024	321,365			6,232,624	321,529
Swordfish: Fresh.....	974,864	209,095	180	47	59,047	14,050	1,034,091	223,142
Tilfish: Fresh.....	299,420	20,246					299,420	20,246
Miscellaneous: Fresh.....	4,002,011	171,395			233,521	10,147	4,235,532	181,542
Total.....	139,967,278	7,463,305	8,973,033	495,067	56,560,842	2,573,176	205,501,153	10,531,141

Cod.—In 1918 the fishing fleet landing fish at Boston, Gloucester and Portland was considerably larger than in the previous years. There were 5 vessels in the salt bank fishery and 123 in the market fishery landing their fares of cod and other ground fish at these ports. Large quantities of cod were also landed by vessels fishing on the shore grounds. The total catch of cod landed at these ports during the year amounted to 71,824,427 pounds, valued at \$3,617,205, of which 68,337,579 pounds, valued at \$3,379,853, were fresh, and 3,486,848 pounds, valued at \$237,352, were salted. Cod ranked first in importance both in quantity and value among the various species landed.

Haddock.—The catch of haddock for the year ranked second to that of cod, the total catch amounting to 66,671,541 pounds, valued \$3,199,276, all of which was landed fresh except 68,492 pounds, valued at \$3,501. The greater part of the catch was taken on Georges Bank and in South Channel.

Hake.—The yield of hake has fallen off very much in the past few years. In 1918 the catch amounted to 5,280,829 pounds, valued at \$73,085, all landed fresh except 34,967 pounds, salted, valued at \$443. There was a decline of 2,633,817 pounds, or over 33 per cent, in quantity, and \$68,300, or 20 per cent, in value as compared with the previous year. In 1916 over 13,000,000 pounds of hake were landed at these ports, and in 1910 the receipts at Boston and Gloucester were nearly 20,000,000 pounds.

Pollock.—The pollock catch was much larger than usual, the quantity landed amounting to 26,560,620 pounds, valued at \$962,085, all landed fresh except 53,258 pounds, salted, valued at \$2,092.

Cusk.—The quantity of cusk landed was small as compared with recent previous years, amounting to only 2,658,260 pounds, valued at \$103,031, of which 13,940 pounds, valued at \$593, were salted. The catch of this species is usually from upwards of three million to upwards of six million pounds.

Halibut.—The yield of halibut was 1,781,004 pounds, valued at \$302,280, which was all landed fresh except 10,931 pounds, salted, valued at \$1,240. There was an increase in quantity over the previous year of less than 1 per cent, but an increase in value of 37.88 per cent.

Mackerel.—The total catch of fresh mackerel taken by the American fishing fleet in 1918 was 69,314 barrels, compared with 111,932 barrels the previous year, a decrease of 42,618 barrels. The output of salted mackerel was 13,030 barrels, as compared with 32,162 barrels the previous year, a decrease of 19,132 barrels. The quantity of mackerel landed at Boston, Gloucester, and Portland by the fishing fleet during the year was 10,158,467 pounds, valued at \$1,188,924, of which 7,582,414 pounds, valued at \$853,639, were fresh, and 2,576,053 pounds, valued at \$335,285, were salted. This quantity includes 9,152 pounds of fresh mackerel, valued at \$2,423, from the Cape Shore, landed by Canadian vessels.

The southern mackerel fleet numbered about 35 sail of seiners and 25 sail of netters. The seiners had a light catch, and reported considerable quantities of mackerel, but that they were wild, chasing live feed, and therefore hard to catch. They did not school much at night, but mostly during the day. The first seiner arrived at New York on May 6 with 13,000 large and medium mackerel, which were sold at 18 to 20 cents per pound. These fish were taken in 34 fathoms of water. The netters did not land as many mackerel as the previous year, but, owing to the higher prices received, they did well financially. The mackerel landed by the southern fleet this year were all large and medium fish and sold at 13 to 20 cents per pound, according to market conditions.

The Cape Shore fleet numbered 38 sail vessels, being a little larger than the previous year. No vessel made more than one trip. A large body of fish was reported and all the vessels returned with good catches. The catch taken on the Cape Shore amounted to 1,689,000 pounds of fresh mackerel and 7,558 barrels salted, compared with 229,900 pounds fresh and 7,131 barrels salted the previous year.

The first arrival from the Cape Shore was on June 8, and consisted of 50,000 large and medium fresh mackerel, which sold at 10½ cent per pound. One schooner, on her Cape Shore mackerel trip, obtained 95,000 pounds fresh and 375 barrels of salted mackerel, and stock \$15,665, the crew sharing \$343 each. This is said to be the largest stock ever made on a single mackerel trip.

Swordfish.—The quantity of swordfish landed during the year was 1,034,091 pounds, valued at \$223,192. The number of vessels engaged in this fishery was 37, or 5 less than in the previous year.

Flounders.—The catch of flounders in the vessel fisheries amounted to 2,269,807 pounds, valued at \$93,800. There was an increase in the catch of flounders over the previous year of 990,086 pounds, 77.36 per cent, in quantity, and \$48,864, or 108.74 per cent, in value. The catch taken by boats under 5 tons net tonnage is not included in these statistics.

VESSEL FISHERIES AT SEATTLE, WASH.

In the vessel fisheries at Seattle, Wash., there has been an increase in both the quantity and value of products landed by the fishing fleet, but a decrease in the products landed by collecting vessels compared with the previous year. Statistics of the vessel fisheries at Seattle have been collected by the local agent and published in monthly and annual statistical bulletins, giving the quantity and value of fishery products landed by American fishing and collecting vessels at that port.

In 1918 the fishing fleet at Seattle landed 834 trips, aggregating 17,091,695 pounds of fish, having a value to the fishermen of \$1,887,653. This catch was taken from the fishing grounds along the coast from the Oregon and Washington coasts to Portlock Bay, Alaska. The largest quantities were taken from Grays Harbor, Flattery Banks, west coast of Vancouver Island, Heceta Strait, and Portlock Bank. The products included halibut, 10,244,200 pounds, valued at \$1,528,846; cod, 85,300 pounds, valued at \$2,202; sablefish, 4,354,950 pounds, valued at \$271,160; "lingcod," 1,784,600 pounds, valued at \$62,292; rockfishes, 620,700 pounds, valued at \$22,899; and sturgeon, 1,875 pounds, valued at \$247. Compared with the previous year, there was an increase of 214 trips by fishing vessels, and of 437,751 pounds, or 2.64 per cent, in the quantity, and \$148,851, or 8.56 per cent, in the value of the products landed. The catch of salmon by these vessels was not so large as in the previous year, but there was a large increase in the catch of sablefish, "lingcod", and rockfishes.

The fishery products taken in Puget Sound and landed at Seattle by collecting vessels during the year amounted to 10,605,323 pounds, valued at \$912,598. These products included salmon, 8,929,700 pounds, valued at \$811,028; steelhead trout, 433,756 pounds, valued at \$57,724; herring, 580,200 pounds, valued at \$11,853; smelt, 121,800 pounds, valued at \$7,019; sole, 138,935 pounds, valued at \$5,300; crabs, 139,821 pounds, valued at \$10,368; and other species amounting to 261,016 pounds, valued at \$9,299. In the products landed by collecting vessels there was a decrease from the previous year of 2,216,030 pounds, or 17.28 per cent, in quantity, and \$75,961, or 7.7 per cent, in value. The quantity and value of fishing products landed at Seattle by fishing and collecting vessels in 1918 are given in detail in the following table:

QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF CERTAIN FRESH FISHERY PRODUCTS LANDED AT SEATTLE, WASH., BY AMERICAN FISHING VESSELS DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1918.

BY FISHING GROUNDS.

	Number of trips.	Halibut.		Cod.		Sablefish.		"Lingcod."		Rockfishes.		Sturgeon.		Total.	
		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Oregon and Washington coasts	24	519,500	\$76,138			231,000	\$14,685	135,500	\$4,450	21,000	\$985			907,000	\$96,238
Columbia River grounds	11	218,500	34,394			266,000	17,365	43,000	1,925	8,000	610			535,500	54,294
Grays Harbor grounds	31	298,400	44,789			713,000	47,811	42,000	1,295	17,000	525			1,070,400	94,420
Flattery Banks	480	3,038,950	460,646			1,903,200	114,872	1,184,000	40,613	286,000	10,432	475	\$72	6,412,625	626,635
West coast Vancouver Island	133	1,223,150	190,400			710,400	42,383	318,100	11,699	135,900	5,257	800	80	2,388,350	249,819
Queen Charlotte Islands grounds	3	97,000	19,560			14,000	840	6,000	240					117,000	20,640
Hecate Strait	113	2,573,800	372,388			416,800	27,167	53,500	1,985	142,000	4,690	600	95	3,186,700	406,325
Forrester Island grounds	2	32,000	5,860			4,000	240							36,000	6,100
Coronation Island	2	85,000	12,378			15,000	1,110							100,000	13,488
Yakutat grounds	15	820,300	125,811	51,000	\$1,380	51,150	2,989			9,100	367			931,550	130,547
Cape Cleare grounds	3	213,000	33,240			14,200	917							227,200	34,157
Portlock Bank	17	1,124,600	153,242	34,300	822	16,200	788	2,500	85	1,770	53			1,179,370	154,990
Total	834	10,244,200	1,528,846	85,300	2,202	4,354,950	271,167	1,784,600	62,292	620,770	22,899	1,875	247	17,091,695	1,887,653

BY MONTHS.

January	9	233,200	\$43,549	5,100	\$204	53,350	\$2,514	5,000	\$200	5,000	\$200			301,650	\$46,667
February	18	327,000	60,925			53,500	3,048	40,200	1,608	8,100	327			428,800	65,908
March	41	417,300	62,093	15,000	300	85,600	5,445	76,300	3,981	52,500	2,762			646,700	74,581
April	113	959,300	139,789	25,200	498	139,800	9,340	417,500	15,095	107,870	4,939	1,075	\$167	1,650,745	169,828
May	131	1,553,300	220,424			359,200	23,421	651,000	19,635	105,800	3,191	800	80	2,670,100	266,751
June	110	1,339,000	198,794			542,200	38,021	195,600	6,813	83,500	2,628			2,160,300	246,256
July	90	1,429,550	198,140			733,000	49,592	92,000	3,170	71,500	2,435			2,326,050	253,337
August	103	1,352,650	181,949			974,800	62,565	63,500	1,725	44,000	1,280			2,434,950	247,519
September	103	1,565,800	230,708	36,000	1,080	875,600	48,645	104,000	3,725	67,500	2,047			2,648,900	286,205
October	70	710,700	120,610	4,000	120	417,000	21,640	46,000	1,510	33,000	970			1,210,700	144,850
November	33	240,900	48,700			98,800	5,310	44,000	1,570	21,000	650			404,700	56,230
December	13	115,500	23,165			22,100	1,626	49,500	3,260	21,000	1,470			208,100	29,521
Total	834	10,244,200	1,528,846	85,300	2,202	4,354,950	271,167	1,784,600	62,292	620,770	22,899	1,875	247	17,091,695	1,887,653

FISHERY PRODUCTS, BY MONTHS, TAKEN IN PUGET SOUND AND LANDED AT SEATTLE, WASH., BY COLLECTING VESSELS DURING THE YEAR 1918.

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FISHERY INDUSTRIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Species.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Skates.....														
Sturgeon.....									1,700	\$85	810	\$27	370	\$14
Herring.....					324,200	\$4,863			46,000	690				
Salmon:														
Humpback or pink.....													1,200	72
Chum or keta.....	10,000	\$1,100											4,280	340
King or spring.....	5,000	700					10,490	\$1,580	500,600	62,000	413,500	53,755	1,983,200	198,320
Coho or silver.....											34,800	3,480	10,328	1,032
Sockeye or red.....									2,200	275	9,220	1,198	12,880	1,288
Miscellaneous.....							25,750	3,962	55,410	6,926	25,800	2,580	5,100	510
Trout: Steelhead.....	8,000	1,200	16,100	\$2,445	3,000	450	14,376	2,300	215,000	26,775	7,430	817	14,640	1,464
Smelt.....			2,300	115							790	94		
Perch.....			700	35										
Rockfishes.....			1,000	70					10,600	530				
" Lingcod ".....	2,000	120					3,240	260			1,720	41	1,200	84
Sablefish.....							600	30			6,830	273		
Cod.....	2,000	60	40,000	1,400							3,700	142		
Flounders.....			4,000	120	4,300	86	3,500	85	13,550	405	7,840	196	3,800	108
Sole.....	5,000	200	13,855	554	15,500	620	9,500	380	24,050	960	4,000	140	860	34
Other fish.....	20,000	400												
Octopus.....													560	11
Crabs.....	16,368	981	7,238	403	13,530	2,029	9,680	804	14,080	970	2,684	183		
Total.....	68,368	4,761	85,193	5,142	360,530	8,048	77,136	9,381	883,190	99,616	519,144	62,926	2,038,218	203,277

Species.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.	Value.	Percentage.	Percentage.	Percentage.	Percentage.	Percentage.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Skates.....	7,970	\$159	21,500	\$645	8,270	\$168	5,000	\$150	.....	.....	42,740	\$1,122
Sturgeon.....	1,080	108	870	87	1,680	201	460	34	.....	.....	6,990	556
Herring.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	210,000	\$6,300	580,200	11,853
Salmon:												
Humpback or pink.....	11,210	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,410	732
Chum or keta.....	66,900	2,155	336,000	10,080	1,768,960	88,448	331,820	33,180	360,000	43,200	2,877,960	178,503
King or spring.....	614,220	61,420	644,800	64,480	52,837	5,280	20,460	2,046	.....	.....	4,245,107	449,561
Coho or silver.....	160,680	16,068	588,950	58,950	800,930	80,099	35,800	3,580	.....	.....	1,631,488	163,119
Sockeye or red.....	6,220	622	8,000	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38,520	3,413
Miscellaneous.....	2,200	222	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,000	1,500	124,260	15,700
Trout: Steelhead.....	1,860	186	2,080	20	7,810	781	2,660	266	140,800	21,020	433,766	57,724
Smelt.....	14,230	852	34,080	1,704	14,180	850	26,070	1,280	30,200	2,124	121,860	7,019
Perch.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,300	565
Rockfishes.....	9,816	352	4,800	240	6,300	431	1,600	112	6,800	476	36,478	2,086
"Lingcod".....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,280	278	.....	.....	.....	.....	18,710	701
Sablefish.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,700	142
Cod.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42,000	1,460
Flounders.....	9,680	288	10,600	318	7,870	236	2,600	104	11,000	330	78,540	2,276
Sole.....	9,800	294	18,000	630	19,000	720	5,120	205	14,250	570	138,935	5,307
Other fish.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,000	400
Octopus.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	560	11
Crabs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,691	1,312	.....	.....	55,550	3,686	a 139,821	10,368
Total.....	915,866	83,396	1,669,680	137,184	2,717,808	178,714	431,590	40,957	838,600	79,206	10,605,323	912,598

a 6,294 dozen.

FISHERIES OF THE GREAT LAKES, LAKE OF THE WOODS, AND RAINY LAKE IN 1917.

A statistical canvass of the fisheries of the Great Lakes, including Lake of the Woods, Rainy Lake, and Lakes Kabetogama and La Croix was made during the year for the calendar year 1917.

The number of persons engaged in the fisheries of these waters in 1917 was 9,416; the investment was \$10,732,879; and the products amounted to 105,926,392 pounds, valued at \$6,416,477.

In the fisheries of the Great Lakes the number of persons engaged was 9,221; the investment in vessels, boats, fishing apparatus, and accessory property, and cash capital was \$10,555,669; and the products amounted to 103,759,223 pounds; valued at \$6,297,917. The principal species taken, including fresh, salted, and smoked fish were carp, 7,163,347 pounds, valued at \$334,888; ciscoes, 53,429,917 pounds, valued at \$2,609,917; blue pike, 2,102,803 pounds, valued at \$140,025; wall-eyed pike, 2,496,691 pounds, valued at \$298,271; sauger, 3,929,172 pounds, valued at \$240,035; sheepshead or drum, 2,901,994 pounds, valued at \$70,936; suckers, 5,361,138 pounds, valued at \$204,825; lake trout, 13,344,139 pounds, valued at \$1,270,704; whitefish, 6,190,748 pounds, valued at \$723,167; and yellow perch, 4,206,011 pounds, valued at \$245,223. The ciscoes included lake herring, chub, longjaw, bluefin or blackfin, and tullibee.

Compared with the returns for 1908, published by the Bureau of Census, there was an increase of 8.06 per cent in the number of persons engaged, and of 119.27 per cent in the amount of capital invested, but there was a decrease of 2.69 per cent in the quantity with an increase of 67.14 per cent in the value of the products. There was a large increase in the catch of burbot, cisco or lake herring, sheepshead or drum, and lake trout, but a decrease in carp, pike, pike perch, whitefish, and a number of other species. Compared with the statistics for 1903, published by the Bureau, there was a decrease of 1.20 per cent in the number of persons engaged, but an increase of 41.22 per cent in the amount of capital invested, and 20.37 per cent in the quantity, and 129.39 per cent in the value of the products. There was considerable increase in nearly all of the more important species except pike perch, lake trout, and yellow perch. The increase in burbot, and possibly some of the other species, is, no doubt, due to the work of the Bureau in encouraging the more extensive use as food of species heretofore little used for that purpose.

In the fisheries of Lake of the Woods and Rainy Lake the number of persons engaged was 195; the investment was \$177,210; and the products amounted to 2,167,169 pounds, valued at \$118,508. The principal species taken were ciscoes, pike, wall-eyed pike, suckers, and whitefish.

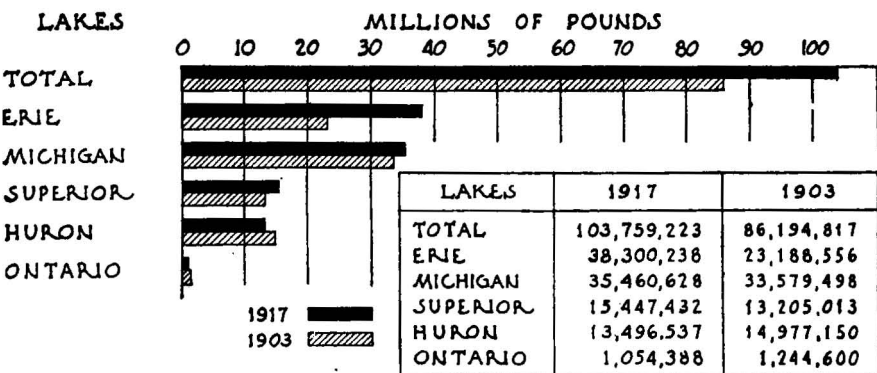


FIG. 3.—Quantities of fish taken in the commercial fisheries of the Great Lakes in 1917 and 1903.

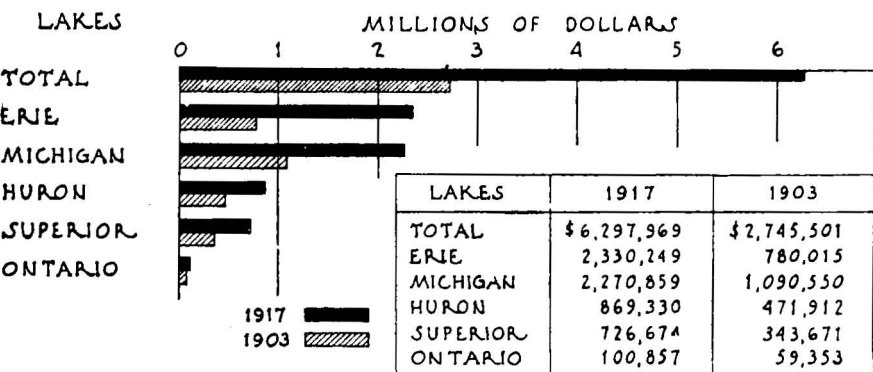


FIG. 4.—Values of fish taken in the commercial fisheries of the Great Lakes in 1917 and 1903.

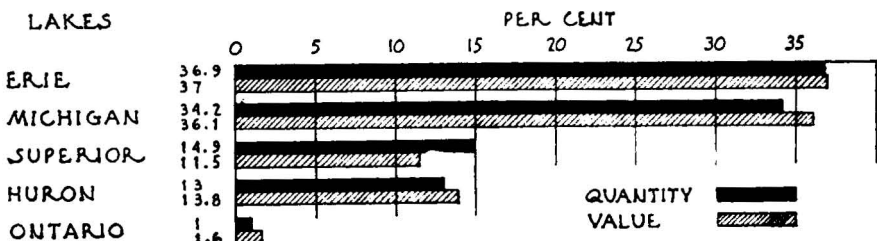


FIG. 5.—Percentages of total quantity and value of fishery products reported for each of the Great Lakes, 1917.

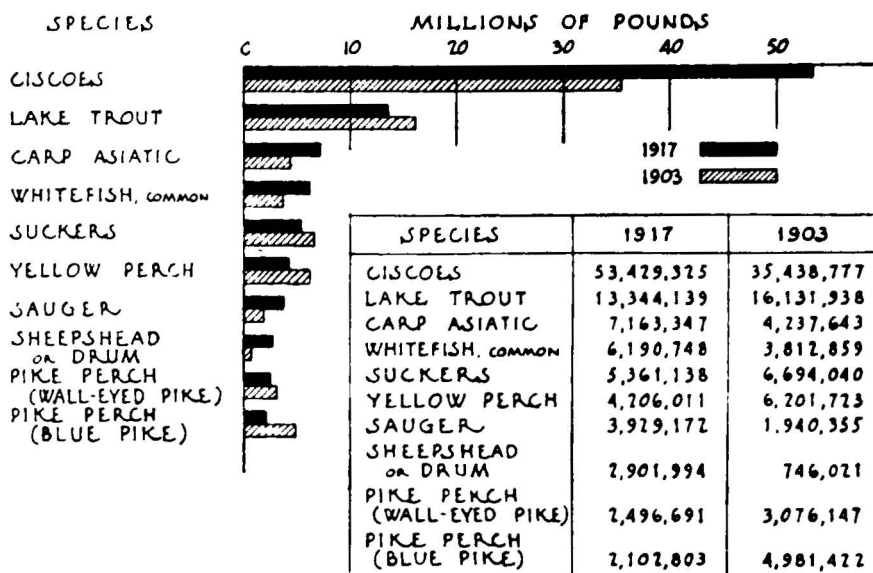


FIG. 6.—Quantities of the more important species of fish taken in the commercial fisheries of the Great Lakes in 1917 and 1903.

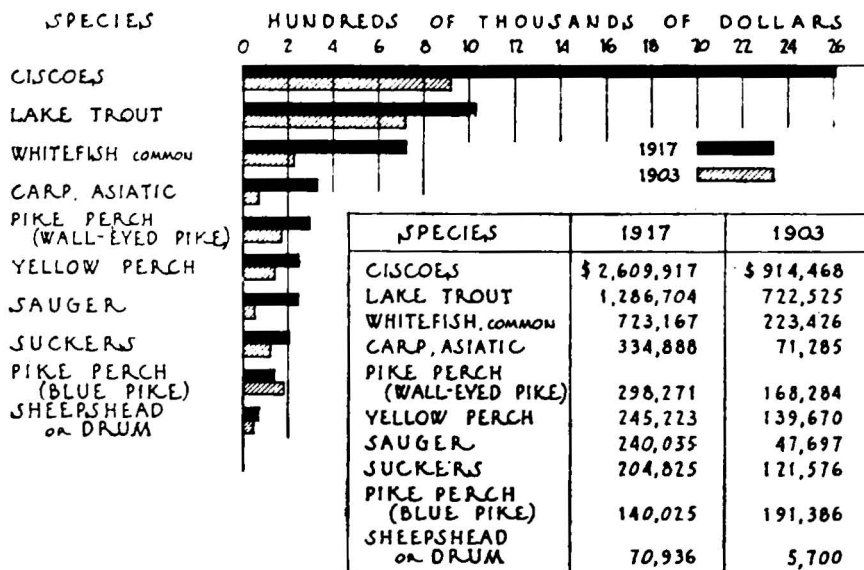


FIG. 7.—Values of the more important species of fish taken in the commercial fisheries of the Great Lakes in 1917 and 1903.

Items.	Lake Superior.		Lake Michigan.		Lake Huron. ^a		Lake Erie. ^b		Lake Ontario. ^c		Lake of the Woods and Rainy Lake. ^d		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Persons engaged.....	1,348		3,313		1,412		2,770		378		195		9,416	
INVESTMENT.														
Vessels fishing, steam.....	12	\$52,800	92	\$397,650	13	\$57,500	73	\$469,398					190	\$977,348
Tonnage.....	302		1,795		266		1,700						4,063	
Outfit.....		11,080		122,885		22,450		93,679						250,094
Vessels fishing, gasoline.....	4	20,500	240	234,310	13	19,000	20	39,000	1	\$1,200			278	314,010
Tonnage.....	104		2,113		113		183		8				2,521	
Outfit.....		5,550		56,636		5,540		7,986		20				75,732
Vessels transporting, steam.....	4	56,000			2	7,000	5	24,500			2	\$9,800	13	97,303
Tonnage.....	194				24		111				29		358	
Outfit.....		17,880				500		5,200				6,160		29,740
Vessels transporting, gasoline.....	7	19,500	60	38,225	19	33,500	19	41,600	1	1,300			106	134,125
Tonnage.....	68		495		169		193		10				935	
Outfit.....		3,915		4,515		4,750		9,455		65				22,700
Sail and rowboats.....	417	10,220	428	9,943	370	9,660	602	27,370	189	4,765	3	800	2,009	62,758
Power boats.....	280	82,405	311	91,595	264	104,860	414	178,815	79	17,130	79	27,300	1,427	502,105
Pound nets and trap nets.....	204	26,262	1,134	242,570	1,731	207,904	5,011	681,060	353	21,460	185	36,250	8,618	1,215,506
Gill nets.....	11,117	144,986	83,807	645,074	10,610	102,835	47,578	329,632	165	15,175	220	8,150	153,497	1,245,852
Fyke nets.....			2,828	39,795	460	12,135	801	44,403	334	4,374	30	400	4,453	101,107
Seines.....	5	325	61	18,120	83	9,325	285	38,867	12	610			446	67,247
Lines.....		5,773		27,888		5,989		741		1,174				41,545
Crawfish pots.....			6,400	1,600									6,400	1,600
Fishing machines.....									7	795			7	795
Other apparatus.....						1,520		10		6				1,536
Shore and accessory property.....		341,310		1,758,341		444,092		1,884,165		50,235		81,850		4,559,993
Cash capital.....		42,500		349,800		156,100		456,886		20,000		6,500		1,031,786
Total.....		841,006		4,038,927		1,204,660		4,332,767		138,309		177,210		10,732,879

^a Includes Lake St. Clair and St. Clair River.

^b Includes men and investment in the wholesale fish trade of Detroit.

^c Includes St. Lawrence and Niagara Rivers.

^d Includes Lakes Kabetogama and La Croix.

STATISTICS OF FISHERIES OF THE GREAT LAKES, LAKE OF THE WOODS, AND RAINY LAKE IN 1917. Continued.

Items.	Lake Superior.		Lake Michigan.		Lake Huron.		Lake Erie.		Lake Ontario.		Lake of the Woods and Rainy Lake.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value. \$170	Pounds.	Value. \$1	Pounds.	Value. \$9	Pounds.	Value. \$50	Pounds.	Value. \$50	Pounds.	Value. \$13	Pounds.	Value. \$301
PRODUCTS.														
Bowfin.....	1,220	\$50	2,174	51	652,570	2,027	71,770	2,188	71,770	67,760	\$54	1,096	\$8	
Buffalofish.....	166,785	1,430	1,240,580	48,126	5,045,762	275,020	41,472	2,173	7,183,347	6,564	951,329	12,466	56	
Burbot.....	246,413	7,400	31,159	1,205	47,904	39,212	5,415	5,415	5,415	570	7,183,911	334,888	888	
Carp, Asiatic.....	164,166	6,627	3,377,774	120,735	1,046,902	460,963	39,291	39,291	39,291	372,745	12,770	45,627,779	55,659	
Catfish and bullheads.....	8,994,855	319,858	15,341,588	706,618	2,917,766	94,867	8,949	1,031	8,949	8,188,694	3,375,311	2,246,924	824	
Ciscoes, fresh.....	3,158,227	139,959	2,101,792	94,867	3,000	41,017	3,942	3,942	3,942	43,007	3,402	3,402	41	
Ciscoes, salted.....	5,400	432	3,000	120	15	15	50,365	813	50,365	813	50,365	813	15	
Gold-eye.....			165	15			633,545	29,913	633,545	29,913	2,102,903	140,025	140,025	
Muskellunge.....	6,700	565	12,354	1,175	2,067,073	135,261	45,730	4,784	4,784	553,007	21,109	3,372,970	365,898	
Pike.....	27,979	3,774	1,042,042	126,431	1,391,656	169,163	2,500	654	654	708,279	67,615	3,929,172	360,033	
Pike perch (blue pike).....			4,283	218	3,929,172	240,035	310	23	23	2,801,994	1,659	2,801,994	20,938	
Pike perch (wall-eyed or yellow pike).....			17,731	615	2,801,994	69,312	51,141	12,057	12,057	11,930	1,659	2,115	4,678	
Rock bass.....	28,412	706	4,896	1,083	1,018	2,063	544	6,317	6,317	268,990	3,584	30,980	335	
Sauger.....	10,905	2,517	1,775,767	72,893	1,035,934	36,403	89,111	89,111	89,111	23,882	1,427	25,535	1,305	
Sheepshead or drum.....	346	904	1,080	50	1,922	201	21,094	2,818	2,818	2,680	309	13,328,019	1,265,204	
Sturgeon.....	328,233	13,194	2,070,797	213,790	201	201	18,750	1,419	18,750	21,000	1,419	21,000	3,349	
Suckers, fresh.....	15,850	560	863,879	3,349	260,112	17,212	86,347	11,720	11,720	96,185	8,065	267,267	17,269	
Suckers, salted.....	2,581,081	215,397	2,070,797	213,790	1,755,947	237,781	1,755,947	237,781	237,781	3,286	3,286	3,286	831	
Sunfish.....	7,772	3,349	983,301	129,050	3,350	330	3,350	330	330	1,375	1,375	1,375	257	
Trout, lake, fresh.....	302,210	30,943	302,162	201	4,829	2,191	46,457	2,191	2,191	69,020	158,959	7,709	7,709	
Trout, lake, salted.....			20,017	1,200	20,017	1,200	20,017	1,200	20,017	1,200	69,020	3,401	3,401	
White bass.....	6,000	356	2,361,071	56,664	959,557	69,684	34,839	2,219	2,219	5,835	510	4,210,131	245,652	
Whitefish, common, fresh.....			1,725	81			100	104				1,725	41	
Whitefish, common, salted.....			81,968	4,427								10,665	117	
Whitefish, common, cavlar.....			30	3								80,665	4,427	
Whitefish, Menominee, fresh.....			35,460,028	2,270,859	13,406,537	989,330	38,300,239	2,330,249	100,857	2,167,169	118,508	105,928,392	8,416,477	
Whitefish, Menominee, salted.....			726,674	35,460,028	2,270,859	13,406,537	989,330	38,300,239	2,330,249	100,857	2,167,169	118,508	8,416,477	
Yellow perch, fresh.....														
Yellow perch, salted.....														
Other fish.....														
Crawfish.....														
Total.....	15,447,432	726,674	35,460,028	2,270,859	13,406,537	989,330	38,300,239	2,330,249	100,857	2,167,169	118,508	105,928,392	8,416,477	

NOTE.—Ciscoes include lake herring, chub, longjaw, bluefin or blackfin, and tullibee.

Years.	Lake Superior,		Lake Michigan.		Lake Huron.		Lake Erie.		Lake Ontario.		Lake St. Clair and St. Clair and Detroit Rivers. ^b		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
1885.....	8,825,980	\$291,523	23,518,148	\$878,788	11,457,170	\$276,397	51,456,517	\$1,109,096	2,398,466	\$95,869	2,185,795	\$40,193	99,842,076	\$2,691,866
1890.....	6,115,992	220,968	26,434,266	830,465	10,056,381	221,067	64,850,873	1,000,905	3,446,448	124,786	2,994,571	73,577	113,898,531	2,471,768
1893.....	8,066,927	252,107	30,747,755	828,611	12,064,338	306,381	42,968,325	805,979	928,015	31,510	1,814,311	46,030	96,619,671	2,270,618
1899.....	5,429,654	150,862	34,499,996	876,743	12,418,327	308,078	58,393,864	1,150,895	2,406,332	100,997	579,067	23,864	113,727,240	2,611,439
1903.....	13,205,013	343,671	33,579,498	1,090,550	14,455,209	450,318	23,188,556	780,015	1,244,600	59,353	521,941	21,594	86,194,817	2,745,501
1908.....	10,198,000	342,000	40,019,000	1,554,000	12,932,000	486,000	41,922,000	1,280,000	823,000	74,000	737,000	32,000	106,631,000	3,768,000
1917.....	15,447,432	726,674	35,460,628	2,270,859	13,363,207	857,478	38,300,238	2,330,249	1,054,388	100,857	133,330	11,852	106,769,223	6,297,969

^a The statistics for 1908 in this table are from data published by the Bureau of the Census.

^b The decline in the fisheries of Lake St. Clair and St. Clair and Detroit Rivers is due largely to legal restrictions.

FISHERY PRODUCTS RECEIVED AT THE MUNICIPAL FISH WHARF AND MARKET, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Large quantities of fishery products are received at the Municipal Fish Wharf and Market, Washington, D. C., from the Chesapeake region and other sections of the Atlantic coast. The salmon part of the halibut handled are from the Pacific coast. The products are disposed of to the retail markets of the city, and are also to some extent sold at retail at the municipal market. Through the courtesy of the health department of the District of Columbia the Bureau has been furnished with daily reports of the quantity of fishery products received at this market since the latter part of March last year. These statistics have been compiled for the period from April to December, 1918, and are given in detail, by months, in the following table:

FISHERY PRODUCTS RECEIVED AT THE MUNICIPAL FISH WHARF AND MARKET, WASHINGTON, D. C., FROM APRIL TO DECEMBER, 1918.

Species	April	May	June	July	August
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
Bass, black and sea		11, 900	25, 000	3, 317	
Bluefish		425			
Butterfish	523	32, 360	69, 525	77, 609	5
Carp	17, 957	11, 956	5, 192	3, 450	
Catfish	20, 877	16, 545	16, 158	3, 339	
Cod	2, 025	750	1, 000	8, 825	2
Croaker	386, 660	248, 340	197, 746	83, 641	4
Drum, red	100		361	98	
Eel	2, 427	2, 102	694	573	
Flounders	5, 177	8, 109	5, 442	11, 199	1
Gizzard shad	670	400			
Haddock			400	23, 625	3
Hake				450	
Halibut	2, 725	1, 500	2, 155	2, 555	
Herring:					
River, fresh	418, 596	93, 867	821		
River, salted	5, 000	160, 000	27, 250	2, 500	
Hickory shad or jacks	1, 340				
Hogfish		2, 100	200		
Kingfish	100	200		100	
Mackerel		2, 625	9, 760	10, 700	
Menhaden	1, 130			200	
Mullet	115	20		13	
Perch	32, 459	12, 080	7, 349	13, 023	
Pike or pickerel	55	20			
Pollock	300		400	9, 150	
Porgy or scup		400	6, 000	2, 550	
Salmon				675	
Shad	307, 538	153, 080	708		
Spot		150	1, 128	11, 455	1
Striped bass	38, 822	14, 717	5, 380	12, 166	1
Sturgeon	588	1, 378	455	90	
Tilefish	2, 525	2, 500	735		
Trouts, sea	5, 131	434, 268	227, 000	122, 237	28
Whiting				14, 050	2
Clams, hard	7, 712	14, 624	14, 720	13, 824	13
Oysters:					
In the shell	49, 861	9, 240	3, 486	2, 002	1
Opened	28, 364	3, 061			
Squid		1, 200			
Crabs	585	12, 915	40, 680	63, 930	48
Crab meat	1, 430	5, 540	7, 515	7, 715	7
Turtles		1, 685	225		
Total	1, 338, 790	1, 268, 975	677, 713	505, 061	508

FISHERY PRODUCTS RECEIVED AT THE MUNICIPAL FISH WHARF AND MARKET, WASHINGTON, D. C., FROM APRIL TO DECEMBER, 1918—Continued.

Species.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>
Salmon, black and sea.....	524	13,782	30,334	25,597	111,602
Salmon, white.....	9,912	18,182	1,050		29,670
Butterfish.....	15,333	17,709	22,200	800	294,635
Trout.....	5,821	10,264	6,078	10,100	71,564
Shad.....	12,328	22,209	20,582	12,745	130,878
Crab.....			225	600	825
Clam.....	23,320	16,225	16,075	5,640	94,480
Oyster.....	23,707	19,010	17,460	679	1,017,481
Shrimp, red.....	240				799
Shrimp, white.....	689	1,633	1,947	1,116	11,304
Crabs.....	14,267	16,446	9,310	10,372	92,562
Black shad.....	1,043	5,423	9,576	9,119	26,231
Black drum.....	69,100	72,950	41,750	21,205	263,100
Bluefish.....	2,775	8,600	27,900	4,200	46,175
Flounder.....	4,375	11,813	48,935	850	79,158
Salmon, fresh.....	3,650			300	519,484
Salmon, salted.....					203,750
Sea.....		26,850	206,800	2,600	236,250
Black shad or jacks.....					1,340
Crab.....	200	600	920		4,220
Crab.....	100		110	375	985
Crab.....	14,090	13,600	25,850	60,550	140,025
Crab.....		300			1,630
Crab.....	502	5,676	5,718	2,360	14,404
Crab.....	5,544	9,607	12,398	11,820	106,119
Crab.....	720	1,552	1,911	1,197	5,480
Crab.....	20,375	20,900	25,440	19,700	105,965
Crab.....	1,400	400			11,575
Crab.....	225	4,450	12,375		17,935
Crab.....				2,972	464,308
Crab.....	100	252			352
Crab.....			75	590	665
Crab.....	15,276	24,230	6,200		70,737
Crab.....	12,883	38,731	24,128		159,690
Crab.....	130	685	45	30	3,477
Crab.....		1,275	2,550	2,747	12,332
Crab.....	302,120	267,975	49,395	34,230	1,737,627
Crab.....			225		225
Crab.....	4,800	19,000	104,870	71,488	216,208
Crab.....	11,584	6,464	6,528	6,304	a 95,328
Crab.....					200
Crab.....					1,200
Crab.....	28,020	5,250	75		201,120
Crab.....	5,415	7,445	4,925	3,725	51,030
Crab.....	1,050	1,500	1,050	950	4,550
Crab.....			240		240
Crab.....	205		315	155	2,845
Total.....	686,958	923,885	1,098,772	671,340	7,766,994

a 11,916 bushels.

b 97,774 bushels.

c 51,008 gallons.

FISHERIES OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915.

The data contained in this report apply to the year 1915, and were collected in 1916 and 1917 and prepared by Winthrop A. Roberts and Rob Leon Greer, agents of this Bureau. A statistical bulletin containing the information in condensed form was issued in October, 1917.

The number of persons employed in the fisheries of the Pacific coast States in 1915 was 28,997, of whom 4,229 were on vessels fishing, 475 on vessels transporting fishery products, 14,235 in shore fisheries, and 10,058 in canneries and other fishery industries. Wash-

ington had 14,649 persons employed in its fisheries; Oregon, 5,900 and California 8,452.

The amount of capital invested in the fisheries of these States was \$24,017,967. In Washington the investment was \$14,129,550; in Oregon, \$4,064,151; and in California, \$5,824,263. The investment included 1,039 fishing and transporting vessels and scows of net tons and upward, valued at \$3,559,777 and having a net tonnage of 24,703 tons, and outfits valued at \$721,156; 9,402 boats, valued at \$2,850,211; fishing apparatus used by vessels and boats to the value of \$3,147,785; shore and accessory property valued at \$12,201,900 and cash capital amounting to \$1,537,136. The forms of fishing apparatus having the greatest value were gill nets, 9,863, valued at \$1,309,805, and pound nets, 483, valued at \$1,122,803. These were all used in the shore or boat fisheries except 158 gill nets, valued at \$4,705, employed in the vessel fisheries. The pound nets were used in Washington except 39, valued at \$22,700, in Oregon.

The products of the fisheries amounted to 287,085,344 pounds, having a value to the fishermen of \$9,306,448. The output in Washington was 159,053,778 pounds, valued at \$5,320,725; in Oregon 34,692,863 pounds, valued at \$1,479,021; and in California, 93,338,703 pounds, valued at \$2,506,702. The catch of salmon, including steelhead trout, amounted to 131,932,020 pounds, valued at \$4,091,680; albacore, 21,049,190 pounds, valued at \$316,103; cod, 10,487,400 pounds, valued at \$343,338; and halibut, 40,825,874 pounds, valued at \$2,050,709. A considerable number of other species were also taken in large quantities.

Compared with the returns for 1904, there was an increase of 47.5 per cent in the number of persons employed, 87.05 per cent in the amount of capital invested, and 70.27 per cent in the quantity and 39.30 per cent in the value of the products. Compared with the returns for 1908, published by the Bureau of the Census, there was an increase of 81.70 per cent in the number of persons employed, 58.5 per cent in the amount of capital invested, and 62.97 per cent in the quantity and 36.07 per cent in the value of the products.

The following tables contain statistics of the number of persons employed, the amount of capital invested, the quantity and value of the products of the fisheries of the Pacific Coast States in 1915, and comparative statistics of those items for various years; also, statistics of various fishery products prepared and the pack of canned salmon in Washington, Oregon, and California in 1915, comparative statistics of the number of cases of salmon canned in certain years, the yield of the fisheries of the principal rivers in 1915, and comparative statistics of the catch of introduced fishes:

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915.

	Washington.		Oregon.		California.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
PERSONS ENGAGED.								
Vessels fishing.....	3,655	.....	23	.....	551	.....	4,229	.....
Vessels transporting.....	330	.....	60	.....	35	.....	475	.....
Shore fisheries.....	5,481	.....	4,472	.....	4,282	.....	14,235	.....
Shore, in canneries, etc.....	5,129	.....	1,345	.....	3,584	.....	10,058	.....
Total.....	14,645	.....	5,900	.....	8,452	.....	28,997	.....
INVESTMENT.								
Vessels fishing.....	472	\$2,194,660	5	\$22,650	73	\$354,375	550	\$2,571,685
Tonnage.....	11,363	.....	74	.....	3,198	.....	14,635	.....
Outfit.....	.....	578,825	.....	3,285	.....	52,791	.....	634,901
Vessels transporting.....	140	689,248	30	84,184	20	72,000	190	845,432
Tonnage.....	2,213	.....	267	.....	330	.....	2,810	.....
Outfit.....	.....	68,895	.....	11,850	.....	5,510	.....	86,255
Vessels (5 tons and over):	299	142,660	.....	.....	.....	.....	299	142,660
Tonnage.....	7,258	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,258	.....
Gas, gasoline.....	1,567	645,480	1,382	582,485	1,429	1,351,110	4,378	2,579,075
Gas, sail, row, etc.....	2,591	96,515	1,264	69,805	1,169	104,816	5,024	271,136
Apparatus, vessel fish-	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ing:	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seines.....	374	256,875	.....	.....	7	8,550	a 381	265,425
Gill nets.....	5	450	.....	.....	153	4,255	b 158	4,705
Beam trawls.....	16	1,440	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	1,440
Trawl nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	3,075	c 125	3,075
Lampara nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	400	.....	400
Paranzella nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	2,900	.....	2,900
Hoop nets.....	85	270	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	270
Pots.....	220	325	.....	.....	120	280	340	605
Whaling apparatus.....	.....	2,050	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,050
Lines.....	.....	46,800	.....	1,005	.....	1,562	.....	49,367
Dredges.....	10	275	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	275
Apparatus, shore fish-	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ing:	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seines.....	200	23,145	75	35,125	147	19,485	d 422	77,755
Gill nets.....	2,878	308,859	3,877	582,740	3,950	413,591	e 9,705	1,305,190
Pound nets.....	444	1,100,103	39	22,700	.....	.....	483	1,122,803
Lampara nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	29,100	.....	64
Trawl nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,195	56,325	f 2,195	56,325
Paranzella nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	6,100	.....	36
Beam trawls.....	7	405	.....	.....	9	400	.....	16
Fyke nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,485	21,640	2,485	21,640
Bag nets.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	2,000	.....	70
Hoop nets.....	2,402	7,227	680	995	4,860	13,585	7,942	21,807
Dip nets.....	67	134	.....	.....	11	64	.....	78
Roet nets.....	8	425	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Pots and traps.....	4,725	8,152	5,768	4,828	4,187	9,157	14,680	22,137
Wheels.....	2	1,000	27	107,800	.....	.....	29	108,800
Lines.....	.....	21,200	.....	1,438	.....	10,845	.....	33,483
Dredges, tongs, hoes, rakes, etc.....	.....	4,536	.....	539	.....	1,170	.....	6,245
Abalone outfit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,460	.....	2,460
Tools and accessory property.....	7,386	599	2,083	913	2,731	390	12,201	902
Capital.....	543,000	.....	448,809	.....	545,327	.....	1,537,136	.....
Total.....	14,129,553	.....	4,064,151	.....	5,824,263	.....	24,017,967	.....
PRODUCTS.								
Salmon (or tuna):	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Fresh.....	21,024,190	\$315,622	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,024,190	\$315,622
Salted.....	25,000	481	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,000	481
Shrimp:	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fresh.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81,385	1,730	81,385	1,730
Salted.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,000	1,600	16,000	1,600
Salmon:	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fresh.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,262,646	111,690	3,262,646	111,690
Salted.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	330,000	13,180	330,000	13,180
Crabs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	448,256	12,622	448,256	12,622
Shrimp.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	350,815	6,366	600,815	11,116
Salmon.....	200,000	\$4,000	50,000	\$750	517,054	24,299	517,054	24,299
Shrimp.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fresh.....	22,025	421	14,400	298	.....	.....	36,425	709
Salted.....	5,498,284	180,934	.....	.....	4,952,692	161,695	10,450,976	342,629
Crabs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,150	65	3,150	65

a 101,640 yards. b 11,840 yards. c 10,000 yards. d 77,635 yards. e 2,465,920 yards. f 126,600 yards.

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915—Continued.

PRODUCTS—continued.	Washington.		Oregon.		California.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Flounders:								
Fresh	25,855	\$736	1,965	\$40	6,914,063	\$209,291	6,941,883	\$210,027
Salted					9,500	475	9,500	475
Grayfish	7,093,996	15,959					7,093,996	15,959
Hake:								
Fresh					221,252	1,937	221,252	1,937
Salted					24,000	960	24,000	960
Halibut	40,590,705	2,041,279	235,169	9,430			40,825,874	2,050,709
Hardhead					73,423	3,622	73,423	3,622
Herring:								
Fresh	2,129,149	9,655	12,500	383	764,384	7,116	2,906,033	17,154
Salted					50,000	1,000	50,000	1,000
Jewfish:								
Fresh					116,461	1,859	116,461	1,859
Salted					138,000	5,020	138,000	5,020
Kingfish					656,003	17,362	656,003	17,362
"Lingcod":								
Fresh	837,110	2,812	12,870	354	570,860	14,687	1,420,840	17,603
Salted					3,500	175	3,500	175
Mackerel:								
Fresh					253,899	6,668	253,899	6,668
Salted					6,450	259	6,450	259
Mullet					3,000	300	3,000	300
Perch	14,750	493	11,930	360	216,785	6,327	243,465	7,147
Pike, Sacramento					15,884	449	15,884	449
Pompano					19,350	2,032	19,350	2,032
Rock bass:								
Fresh					895,284	24,110	895,284	24,110
Salted					2,750	97	2,750	97
Rockfishes:								
Fresh	101,351	2,995	12,000	445	4,336,254	145,816	4,449,605	146,306
Salted					8,000	400	8,000	400
Sablefish	575,810	13,782	15,520	388	64,503	1,359	655,833	15,537
Salmon:								
Blueback	5,043,374	345,710	337,027	16,848			5,380,401	362,558
Chinook—								
Fresh	18,188,160	699,771	23,482,292	1,209,024	7,283,933	338,549	48,954,385	2,247,347
Salted					20,000	2,400	20,000	2,400
Chum	17,156,224	282,842	1,981,879	11,081	38,093	190	19,176,196	294,111
Humpback	29,998,291	367,521					29,998,291	367,521
Silver	18,630,302	543,241	4,844,844	94,137	415,197	12,459	23,890,343	649,278
Sardines:								
Fresh					4,387,706	27,651	4,387,706	27,651
Salted					1,400	80	1,400	80
Sculpin					8,813	345	8,813	345
Sea bass			2,000	60	1,221,262	49,381	1,223,262	49,441
Sea trout					6,083	213	6,083	213
Shad:								
Fresh	96,298	1,164	488,625	4,945	6,846,008	66,982	7,430,931	73,114
Salted					10,000	125	10,000	125
Roe					27,033	2,491	27,033	2,491
Sharks	399,000	889			67,972	236	466,972	1,125
Skates	229,000	515			177,650	868	406,560	1,383
Smelts	2,158,371	25,333	3,500	175	1,137,072	52,978	3,298,943	78,526
Sole	68,062	1,951			5,761,929	108,254	5,829,991	110,205
Spanish mackerel					396,905	11,535	396,905	11,535
Split-tail					17,016	384	17,016	384
Steelhead trout	2,114,141	91,389	2,365,858	75,231	32,405	1,288	4,512,404	16,904
Sting ray					605,000	1,512	605,000	1,512
Striped bass					1,784,448	146,928	1,784,448	146,928
Sturgeon	43,656	2,151	97,785	5,014	16,924	987	158,365	7,998
Sturgeon caviar	300	75					300	75
Sturgeon roe					1,275	708	1,275	708
Surf fish					127,500	7,255	127,500	7,255
Tomcod			22,500	900	41,912	939	64,412	1,839
Whitebait					56,250	2,250	56,250	2,250
Yellowtail:								
Fresh					1,094,416	26,123	1,094,416	26,123
Salted					124,500	4,743	124,500	4,743
Miscellaneous fishes					17,232	539	17,232	539
Abalone:								
Alive					24,026	517	24,026	517
Meat					730,974	16,830	730,974	16,830
Shells					74,000	1,890	74,000	1,890
Pearls and blisters						1,240		1,240
Clams:								
Hard	175,744	12,191			65,856	17,583	241,600	29,774
Soft	1,200	150	22,460	3,041	67,160	18,107	90,820	21,148
Razor	372,750	56,446	77,200	10,900			449,950	67,346

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915—Continued.

PRODUCTS—continued.	Washington.		Oregon.		California.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Crabs.....	700	\$83			19,240	\$2,326	19,940	\$2,409
Eastern market	265,013	140,028			375,774	165,573	640,787	305,601
Native—								
Market.....	450,394	250,298	1,547	\$725	8,435	6,513	460,376	257,536
Seed.....	24,808	8,619					24,808	8,619
Opus.....					32,309	2,717	32,309	2,717
Id.....	15,000	325			6,211,325	32,626	6,226,325	32,951
Os.....	1,734,410	54,526	415,272	13,755	1,414,155	128,434	3,563,837	196,715
Fish.....			183,720	20,747		550	184,270	21,012
Imp.....	386,420	18,719			298,000	5,550	684,420	24,269
ly lobsters.....					892,392	130,119	892,392	130,119
tles.....						13	206	13
tongues.....	30,000	2,090			7,400	370	37,400	2,460
ale oil.....	2,635,125	112,851					2,635,125	112,851
alabone.....	6,000	4,200					6,000	4,200
er whale products.....	1,292,000	24,390					1,292,000	24,390
lion.....					9,375	4,120	9,375	4,120
p.....	450,000	191			5,000,000	2,500	5,450,000	2,691
er seaweeds.....					6,799	325	6,799	325
Total.....	159,053,778	5,320,725	34,692,863	1,479,021	93,338,703	2,506,702	287,085,344	9,306,448

SUMMARY OF PERSONS ENGAGED, CAPITAL INVESTED, AND VALUE OF PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN CERTAIN YEARS.

Items and States.	1888	1892	1895	1899	1904	1908	1915
PERSONS ENGAGED.							
Washington.....	3,363	4,310	6,212	9,911	8,829	4,954	14,645
Oregon.....	3,619	4,332	6,323	5,643	5,299	4,772	5,900
California.....	4,684	5,403	4,770	3,974	5,530	4,129	8,452
Total.....	11,666	14,045	17,305	19,528	19,658	13,855	28,997
CAPITAL INVESTED.							
Washington.....	\$1,261,078	\$1,593,567	\$2,024,469	\$6,601,243	\$5,319,201	\$3,442,000	\$14,129,553
Oregon.....	1,859,299	2,272,351	2,637,412	3,497,643	3,756,692	1,367,000	4,064,151
California.....	2,081,950	2,526,746	2,612,298	2,774,493	3,764,056	1,659,000	5,824,263
Total.....	5,202,327	6,392,664	7,274,179	12,873,379	12,839,949	6,468,000	24,017,967
VALUE OF PRODUCTS.							
Washington.....	810,326	931,568	1,402,433	2,871,438	2,972,633	3,513,000	5,320,725
Oregon.....	733,867	872,405	1,284,136	855,750	1,185,092	1,356,000	1,479,021
California.....	2,465,317	3,022,991	1,786,479	2,551,451	2,523,141	1,970,000	2,506,702
Total.....	4,009,510	4,826,964	4,473,048	6,278,639	6,680,866	6,839,000	9,306,448

QUANTITY AND VALUE OF VARIOUS FISHERY PRODUCTS PREPARED, EXCLUSIVE
CANNING, IN THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915.

Method and products.	Washington.		Oregon.		California.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
DRIED.								
Squid.....					1,200,000	\$51,000	1,200,000	\$51,000
FROZEN.								
Barracuda.....	150	\$12					150	\$12
Dolly Varden trout.....	6,577	345					6,577	345
Finnan Haddie.....	390	50					390	50
Flounder.....	280	15					280	15
Halibut.....	2,551,537	122,052	5,000	\$450			2,556,537	122,502
Herring.....	1,887,645	28,705					1,887,645	28,705
Horse mackerel.....	250	15					250	15
"Lingcod".....	20,235	809					20,235	809
Mackerel.....	870	45					870	45
Perch.....	315	20	500	40			815	60
Rockfishes.....	31,218	1,440					31,218	1,440
Sablefish.....	281,450	8,423	1,000	80			282,450	8,503
Salmon:								
Chinook.....	650,805	45,074	95,000	2,700			745,805	47,774
Chum.....	1,680,718	69,568					1,680,718	69,568
Silver.....	1,237,158	64,822	75,023	3,384			1,312,181	68,206
Sardines.....	975	12					975	12
Shad.....			36,160	1,825			36,160	1,825
Shad roe.....	150	25	5,123	696			5,273	721
Smelt.....	105,446	4,673					105,446	4,673
Sole.....	1,100	44					1,100	44
Spanish mackerel.....	3,015	200					3,015	200
Steelhead trout.....	282,025	19,900	377,482	20,785			659,507	40,685
Sturgeon.....			49,560	6,426			49,560	6,426
Tomcod.....			500	40			500	40
Shrimp.....	24,274	2,425					24,274	2,425
Squid.....	1,035	55					1,035	55
Lobster.....	617	125					617	125
Miscellaneous.....	43,892	3,000					43,892	3,000
Total.....	8,812,127	371,854	645,348	36,426			9,457,475	408,280
MILD-CURED.								
Salmon:								
Chinook.....	1,208,800	130,052	2,821,027	384,090	1,761,300	187,220	5,791,127	677,362
Chum.....	83,000	2,060	4,000	240			87,000	2,300
Silver.....			40,800	4,095			40,800	4,095
Shad.....			8,000	440	105,000	5,250	113,000	5,690
Steelhead trout.....			800	80			800	80
Total.....	1,291,800	132,112	2,874,627	388,945	1,866,300	192,470	6,032,727	713,367
PICKLED.								
Salmon: Chinook.....					245,000	26,950	245,000	26,950
SALTED.								
Albacore (or tuna).....					71,020	3,092	71,020	3,092
Barracuda.....					8,000	240	8,000	240
Bonito.....					8,210	328	8,210	328
Halibut.....	57,100	3,426					57,100	3,426
Herring.....	47,000	630			100,000	4,500	147,000	5,130
Jewfish.....					44,998	1,350	44,998	1,350
"Lingcod".....	1,000	20					1,000	20
Mackerel.....					1,896	75	1,896	75
Rock bass.....					1,000	40	1,000	40
Rockfishes.....					3,500	122	3,500	122
Sablefish.....	212,300	9,728					212,300	9,728
Salmon:								
Chinook.....					160,000	6,500	160,000	6,500
Chum.....	1,600	800	5,000	225			6,600	1,025
Humpback.....	10,000	400					10,000	400
Silver.....	1,444,800	91,489	4,200	377			1,449,000	91,866
Sardines.....					20,000	2,000	20,000	2,000
Seabass.....					3,000	120	3,000	120
Shad.....					4,558,750	68,212	4,558,750	68,212
Spanish mackerel.....					6,450	258	6,450	258
Yellowtail.....					37,158	1,301	37,158	1,301
Total.....	1,773,800	106,493	9,200	602	5,023,982	83,138	6,800,982	190,023

QUANTITY AND VALUE OF VARIOUS FISHERY PRODUCTS PREPARED, EXCLUSIVE OF CANNING, IN THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915—Continued.

Method and products.	Washington.		Oregon.		California.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
SMOKED.								
Salmon (or tuna).....					7,600	\$858	7,600	\$858
d.....	50,000	\$5,000					50,000	5,000
albut.....	97,050	9,335			10,000	1,500	107,050	10,835
erring.....	37,800	1,175			5,000	300	42,800	1,775
blackfish.....	279,850	26,163			2,000	45	281,850	26,208
Salmon:								
Chinook.....	1,525,520	147,793	1,075	\$134	10,000	1,500	1,536,595	149,427
Chum.....	65,500	3,288					65,500	3,288
Silver.....	2,200	218	500	50			2,700	268
Porgeon.....	230	29					230	29
Total.....	2,058,210	193,301	1,575	184	31,600	4,203	2,094,385	197,688
MISCELLANEOUS.^a								
Crab meat.....	133,689	38,303					133,689	38,303
Fertilizer.....	3,854,000	77,500	400,000	7,600	850,000	15,305	5,104,000	100,465
Poultry food.....	421,000	10,370			1,140,000	28,200	1,564,000	38,570
Glue.....	400,121	36,200					400,121	36,200
Oil.....	1,284,338	50,555	225,000	9,000	491,752	19,548	2,001,090	79,103
Round clamshells.....	300,000	1,500					300,000	1,500
Total.....	6,396,148	214,488	625,000	16,600	2,481,752	63,053	9,502,900	291,141
Grand total.....	20,332,085	1,018,248	4,155,750	442,757	10,851,634	420,814	35,339,469	1,881,819

^a The fertilizer, poultry food, glue, and oil shown in the above table were prepared from fish and fish offal.

^b 41,038 gallons.

^c 266,812 gallons.

SALMON PACK OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915.

Items.	Washington.		Oregon.		California.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Canneries ^a	59	\$5,187,297	28	\$1,088,358	5	\$289,361	92	\$6,565,016
Working capital.....		386,300		339,809		55,000		781,109
Persons engaged.....	4,097		943		590		5,630	
Wages paid.....		1,199,867		369,799		91,235		1,660,901
PRODUCTS.^b								
Blueback or sock-eye.....								
cases.....	91,720	932,394	4,510	24,915			96,230	957,309
do.....	178,464	1,400,220	292,765	2,246,565	19,508	109,391	490,737	3,756,176
do.....	450,409	1,219,061	40,728	104,698			491,137	1,323,759
do.....	590,378	1,772,565					590,378	1,772,565
do.....	206,508	1,036,859	53,405	258,038	3,578	16,391	263,491	1,311,288
do.....								
do.....	10,270	64,860	18,783	112,600			29,053	177,460
Total.....	1,527,749	6,425,859	410,191	2,746,816	23,086	125,782	1,961,026	9,298,557

^a 26 of these firms were also engaged in other branches of the canning or packing trade, with 6 of whom salmon canning was merely incidental.

^b All products represent 48 pounds to the case.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY, BY STATES, OF THE NUMBER OF CASES OF SALMON CANNED IN THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN CERTAIN YEARS.

State	Blueback.	Chinook.	Chum.	Hump-back.	Silver.	Steelhead trout.	Total.
1902—Washington.	19,441	134,253	29,411		28,708	26,945	238,768
Oregon.	51,106	237,684			60,293	45,403	394,486
California.		14,334			1,550		15,884
Total.	70,547	386,271	29,411		90,551	72,348	649,128
1903—Washington.	55,237	129,078	23,480	17,530	31,707	25,663	282,695
Oregon.	23,074	176,024	9,230		62,913	39,563	310,824
California.		26,436			500		26,936
Total.	78,311	331,538	32,710	17,530	95,120	65,226	629,835
1904—Washington.	51,717	156,549	33,952	9,049	32,118	23,209	308,594
Oregon.	25,523	216,507	3,162		100,067	38,829	384,088
California.		31,663			500		32,163
Total.	79,240	404,719	37,114	9,049	132,705	62,038	724,857
1905—Washington.	70,394	157,187	48,686	24,613	81,957	18,985	400,722
Oregon.	12,854	316,284	27,027		138,981	30,693	525,849
California.		28,635			400		29,035
Total.	83,158	502,106	75,713	24,613	221,338	49,678	955,612
1906—Washington.	50,950	95,147	42,656	252,733	145,139	2,258	1,041,883
Oregon.	19,665	214,821	18,345		78,730	9,736	341,297
California.		34,190					34,190
Total.	70,615	344,148	61,001	252,733	223,869	11,994	1,417,377
1907—Washington.	112,911	140,695	94,265		168,069	3,050	518,990
Oregon.	9,264	221,646	15,150		65,557	6,818	320,435
California.		17,807					17,807
Total.	122,175	380,148	109,415		233,626	9,868	857,231
1908—Washington.							460,200
Oregon.							340,300
California.							3,900
Total.							804,500
1909—Washington.	91,720	178,164	450,409	560,378	206,508	10,270	1,527,779
Oregon.	4,510	292,765	40,728		53,405	18,783	410,191
California.		16,408			3,578		23,586
Total.	96,230	487,337	491,137	560,378	263,491	29,053	1,961,637

YIELD OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PRINCIPAL RIVERS OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915.

Species	Columbia River, Oreg.		Columbia River, Wash. and Oreg.		Coquille River, Oreg.	
	Pounds	Value	Pounds.	Value	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon			250,000	\$4,750		
Blueback			522,274	25,287		
Chinook	30,560	\$1,833	29,620,791	1,454,873	207,138	\$5,460
Chum			2,274,082	13,968		
Humpback			147,924	1,845		
Silver	12,270	306	4,372,439	92,170	350,046	5,000
Steelhead	300	10	3,706,453	122,136	12,620	360
Shad, fresh			580,985	5,947		
Smelts			1,626,606	6,744		
Sturgeon			123,273	6,703		
Sturgeon-ovary			300	75		
Tuna-fish			22,500	900		
Crawfish			193,720	20,747		
Total	43,130	2,149	43,529,345	1,758,226	549,804	10,916

* This does not include 96,000 pounds of chinook salmon valued at \$3,330, 28,063 pounds of chum salmon valued at \$140, and 12,130 pounds of silver salmon, valued at \$570, taken in the Columbia River by California fishermen.

YIELD OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PRINCIPAL RIVERS OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES
IN 1915—Continued.

Species.	Eel River, Calif.		Klamath River, Calif.		Necanicum River, Oreg.		Nehalem River, Oreg.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
non:								
Chinook.....	447,306	\$17,886	643,000	\$14,467			371,024	\$9,212
Chum.....					3,220	\$45	176,330	883
Silver.....	71,972	2,846	174,846	3,497	42,058	850	322,632	6,453
Steelhead.....	31,605	1,264					23,644	945
urgeon.....	8,010	250						
Total.....	558,893	22,246	817,846	17,964	45,278	895	893,630	17,493

Species.	Nestucca River, Oreg.		Rogue River, Oreg.		Sacramento River, Calif.		San Joaquin River, Calif.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
non:								
Chinook.....					95,529	\$1,412	63,286	\$1,474
Cod.....					188,267	7,961	328,787	16,388
Head.....					68,749	3,476	4,674	146
of Sacramento.....					10,924	320	4,960	129
non:								
Chinook.....	161,901	\$4,047	1,081,457	\$65,001	3,382,370	185,231	200,409	10,390
Silver.....	174,268	3,485	51,874	1,297				
Steelhead.....	16,890	675						
Salmon:								
Fresh.....					4,681,710	50,756	561,820	7,172
Salted.....					10,000	125		
Roe.....					9,135	872	17,808	1,619
Went-tail.....					15,550	329	1,466	55
Striped bass.....					1,271,102	104,432	69,646	5,898
urgeon.....					8,855	732	59	5
urgeon roe.....					1,253	697	22	11
Crabs.....					689	16	1,375	70
Clams.....							22	4
Total.....	353,059	8,207	1,133,331	66,298	9,744,133	356,359	1,254,424	43,361

Species.	Siletz River, Oreg.		Siuslaw River, Oreg.		Smith River, Calif.		Snake River, Wash.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
non:								
Blueback.....							4,600	\$355
Chinook.....	167,064	\$3,197	33,180	\$829	61,420	\$1,535	48,088	3,757
Chum.....	36,720	185					984	79
Silver.....	106,670	1,612	83,306	1,670	15,552	233	5,448	398
Steelhead.....			1,040	31			85,848	6,781
urgeon.....							1,300	98
Total.....	310,454	9,994	117,526	2,530	76,972	1,768	146,260	11,468

YIELD OF THE FISHERIES OF THE PRINCIPAL RIVERS OF THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1915—Continued.

Species.	Snohomish River, Wash.		Umpqua River, Oreg.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....					408,815	\$1,786,222
Catfish.....					517,054	24,000
Hardhead.....					73,423	3,000
Pike, Sacramento.....					15,884	
Salmon:						
Blueback.....	2,250	\$180			529,124	25,000
Chinook.....	44,690	1,564	112,923	\$2,265	36,613,321	1,786,222
Chum.....	42,800	803	5,130	40	2,539,266	15,000
Humpback.....	13,900	208			161,824	2,000
Silver.....	304,000	11,695	548,610	10,000	6,615,991	141,000
Steelhead.....	15,750	945	3,000	120	3,986,149	133,000
Shad:						
Fresh.....					5,824,515	63,000
Salted.....					10,000	
Roe.....					27,033	2,000
Smelts.....					1,625,605	6,000
Split-tail.....					17,016	
Striped bass.....					1,340,748	110,000
Sturgeon.....					150,297	7,000
Sturgeon caviar.....					300	
Sturgeon roe.....					1,275	
Suckers.....					2,064	
Tomcod.....					22,500	
Crawfish.....					183,720	20,000
Turtles.....					22	
Total.....	423,390	15,395	669,663	12,425	60,665,946	2,355,000

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE CATCH OF INTRODUCED FISHES IN THE PACIFIC COAST STATES IN 1899, 1904, 1908, AND 1915.^a

WASHINGTON.

Species.	1899		1904		1908		1915	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....							200,000	\$4,000
Catfish.....	105,700	\$2,114	6,000	\$300				
Shad.....	85,000	1,275	125,287	1,753	100,000	\$1,900	96,298	1,000
Total.....	190,700	3,389	131,287	2,053	100,000	1,900	296,298	5,000

OREGON.

Carp.....			20,000	\$200	30,000	\$300	50,000	
Catfish.....	54,360	\$1,087	180,000	6,000	201,000	9,000		
Shad.....	32,000	320	36,846	1,433	431,000	8,000	488,625	4,000
Total.....	86,360	1,407	236,846	7,633	662,000	17,300	538,625	5,000

CALIFORNIA.

Carp.....	283,514	\$2,400	70,374	\$1,407	427,000	\$4,300	350,815	\$6,000
Catfish.....	465,911	12,734	737,144	20,992	1,069,000	56,000	517,054	24,000
Shad.....	1,137,801	14,303	327,372	9,960	1,169,000	12,000	6,858,008	67,000
Striped bass.....	1,234,230	61,814	1,570,404	92,116	1,776,000	135,000	1,784,448	146,000
Total.....	3,121,546	91,251	2,705,294	124,475	4,441,000	207,300	9,510,325	244,000

TOTAL.

Carp.....	283,514	\$2,400	90,374	\$1,607	457,000	\$4,600	600,815	\$11,000
Catfish.....	625,971	15,935	923,144	27,292	1,270,000	65,000	517,054	24,000
Shad.....	1,254,801	15,898	489,505	13,146	1,700,000	21,900	7,442,931	73,000
Striped bass.....	1,234,320	61,814	1,570,404	92,116	1,776,000	135,000	1,784,448	146,000
Total.....	3,398,606	96,047	3,073,427	134,161	5,203,000	226,500	10,345,248	255,000

^a The statistics for 1908 in this table are from data published by the Bureau of the Census.

FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON.

The fisheries of Washington in 1915 were more extensive than those of Oregon and California combined. The number of persons employed was 14,645, of whom 3,655 were on vessels fishing, 380 on vessels transporting fishery products, 5,481 in the shore or boat fisheries, and 5,129 on shore in canneries and other fishery industries.

The investment amounted to \$14,129,553, which includes 472 fishing vessels valued at \$2,194,660, with a net tonnage of 11,363 tons, and outfits valued at \$578,825; 140 transporting vessels, valued at \$689,248, with a net tonnage of 2,213 tons, and outfits valued at \$68,895; 299 scows, valued at \$142,660, with a net tonnage of 7,258 tons; 1,567 gasoline boats, valued at \$645,480; 2,581 sail and other boats, valued at \$96,515; fishing apparatus employed on vessels to the value of \$308,485; fishing apparatus employed on boats to the value of \$1,475,186; shore and accessory property valued at \$7,386,599; and cash capital amounting to \$543,000.

The products amounted to 159,053,778 pounds, valued at \$5,320,725, credited to the different districts as follows: Puget Sound, 84,204,558 pounds, valued at \$2,095,547; Columbia River and tributaries, 15,796,175 pounds, valued at \$496,339; Grays Harbor, 5,159,682 pounds, valued at \$154,505; Willapa Harbor, 1,800,074 pounds, valued at \$178,557; and the Pacific Ocean and other waters, 51,209,557 pounds, valued at \$2,405,155. The catch of salmon, including steelhead, amounted to 91,130,492 pounds, valued at \$2,330,474; halibut, 40,590,705 pounds, valued at \$2,041,279; cod, 1,520,309 pounds, valued at \$181,355; grayfish, 7,093,996 pounds, valued at \$15,959; smelts, 2,158,371 pounds, valued at \$25,333; crabs, 1,734,410 pounds, valued at \$54,526; and oysters, eastern and native, 740,215 pounds, or 105,745 bushels, valued at \$398,945. The whale products included whale oil, 2,635,125 pounds, valued at \$112,851; whalebone, 6,000 pounds, valued at \$4,200; and other products amounting to 1,292,000 pounds, valued at \$24,390.

Compared with the returns for 1904, there was an increase of 65.87 per cent in the number of persons employed, 165.63 per cent in the amount of capital invested, and of 78.80 per cent in the quantity and 78.99 per cent in the value of the products. The products also show an increase of 58.33 per cent in the quantity and 51.45 per cent in the value over those in the returns for 1908, published by the Bureau of the Census.

For statistics as to the number of persons employed, amount of capital invested, and the quantity and value of the products of the fisheries of Washington in 1915, see table, page 51. Statistics as to the approximate catch of certain fishery products of Washington districts in 1915 are contained in the following table:

APPROXIMATE CATCH OF CERTAIN FISHERY PRODUCTS OF WASHINGTON, BY DISTRICTS, IN 1915.

Species.	Puget Sound.		Columbia River. ^a		Grays Harbor.		Willapa Harbor.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....			200,000	\$1,000					200,000	\$1,000
Flounders.....	25,855	\$736							25,855	736
Grayfish.....	7,093,996	15,959							7,093,996	15,959
Herring.....	2,129,149	9,655							2,129,149	9,655
"Lingcod".....	836,960	2,810							836,960	2,810
Perch.....	14,750	493							14,750	493
Rockfishes.....	80,351	2,472							80,351	2,472
Salmon:										
Blueback.....	3,605,737	279,112	189,847	8,794	1,212,530	\$57,353	3,010	\$271	5,041,124	345,530
Chinook.....	7,554,283	303,352	9,211,877	367,474	886,550	16,007	507,760	11,374	18,143,470	698,207
Chum.....	14,707,440	269,152	821,042	5,646	1,228,227	5,582	356,715	1,659	17,113,424	282,039
Humpback.....	29,816,167	365,213	147,924	1,845	18,310	230	1,960	25	29,984,391	367,313
Silver.....	14,753,946	455,908	1,877,121	42,320	1,289,360	23,598	485,875	9,720	18,326,302	531,546
Shad.....	3,938	162	92,360	1,002					96,298	1,164
Sharks.....	399,000	889							399,000	889
Skates.....	229,000	515							229,000	515
Smelts.....	532,766	18,585	1,025,605	6,748					2,158,371	25,333
Sole.....	68,062	1,951							68,062	1,951
Steelhead trout.....	400,529	28,071	1,590,311	50,558	98,133	5,317	8,918	498	2,098,391	90,444
Sturgeon.....	5,778	295	36,788	1,877	1,800	57	400	12	44,856	2,241
Sturgeon caviar.....			300	75					300	75
Clams:										
Hard.....	175,744	12,191							175,744	12,191
Soft.....							1,200	150	1,200	150
Razor.....					207,430	37,736	75,320	18,710	372,750	56,446
Mussels.....	700	83							700	83
Oysters:										
Eastern, market.....	84,910	47,549			875	525	179,228	91,954	265,013	140,028
Native—										
Market.....	440,685	245,543					9,709	4,755	450,394	250,298
Seed.....	12,607	3,390					12,201	5,229	24,808	8,619
Squid.....	15,000	325							15,000	325
Crabs.....	380,785	12,226			255,847	8,100	1,007,778	31,200	1,734,410	54,526
Shrimp.....	386,420	18,719							386,420	18,719
Kelp.....	450,000	191							450,000	191
Total.....	81,204,558	2,095,517	15,796,175	496,330	5,159,682	154,505	2,800,074	178,557	107,980,489	2,934,948

^aThe data for the Columbia River comprise those for all of its tributaries including the Snake River, which is also shown separately in another table.

FISHERIES BY COUNTIES.

In 1915 commercial fishing was prosecuted in 25 counties in Washington. These include counties bordering on Puget Sound, the Pacific Ocean, and the Columbia River and tributaries. This report shows salmon, including steelhead trout, taken commercially as far from the coast as in the Snake River opposite Lewiston, Idaho. No commercial fishing, however, is followed from the latter State, as its laws discourage all but hook-and-line fishing. Practically the entire catch of the Snake River is made with seines and consists mainly of steelhead trout and chinook salmon; a few blueback, chum, and silver salmon, and sturgeon are also taken.

King County.—This county supports the most valuable fisheries of the State, due mainly to the fact that Seattle is located within its boundaries. Most of the State's salmon and halibut fleets are owned and operated from this city. Among other important fisheries centered here are the gill-net and troll fisheries. In 1915 the products of the fisheries of this county amounted to 54,993,930 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$2,204,124. The two most important items of this total are 33,642,389 pounds of halibut, valued at \$1,691,211, and 16,934,501 pounds of the various species of salmon, including steelhead trout, valued at \$406,981. Salted cod amounting to 2,220,000 pounds, with a value of \$73,980, is also an important item. These fish are taken and salted in Alaskan waters and brought back to the State for repacking and shipment.

Whatcom County.—The output of the fisheries of this county in 1915 amounted to 20,546,494 pounds, having a value to the fishermen of \$493,887, consisting mainly of salmon. Most of these are taken with pound nets and gill nets in the shore fisheries and with purse seines in the vessel fisheries. This county, being very convenient to the fishing grounds, has many of the largest salmon canneries of the State. Bellingham and Blaine are the centers of the canning, as well as of the fishing, industry of the county.

Skagit County.—The fisheries of this county ranked next in importance to those of Whatcom County, the output amounting to 14,693,537 pounds, valued at \$427,988. This county is also convenient to the salmon-fishing grounds, and owes its extensive fisheries to that fact. With the exception of a few cases of salmon packed at La Conner, all of the county's salmon pack was put up at Anacortes, where eight canneries were in operation in 1915. Extensive pound-net and purse-seine fisheries are also operated from here. La Conner supports valuable gill-net fisheries, the catch being taken at Anacortes. Included in the total output of the county are 3,278,284 pounds of salted cod, valued at \$106,954, taken in Alaskan waters by schooners owned at Anacortes. Samish, in this county, is the most northern point in the State at which oysters are taken. In 1915, 2,400 bushels of eastern oysters, worth \$9,000, and 480 bushels of native oysters, worth \$1,890, were marketed from private beds in Samish Bay.

Pierce County.—Fishing is followed from many places in this county, but the most important fishing center in the county is Tacoma, where a large number of purse-seine vessels are owned and operated. Several halibut vessels also fish from this port. No salmon canning is done in this county, but large quantities of fish are handled at

Tacoma, either in a fresh, frozen, salted, or smoked condition. This county leads in the value of its shrimp fisheries, 201,332 pounds having a value to the fishermen of \$9,171, being credited to it in 1915. The meat of more than one-half of these shrimps is extracted by the Tacoma dealers before selling. The total output of fishery products in the county was 15,861,531 pounds, valued at \$408,964, as compared with 7,255,164 pounds, valued at \$196,824, in 1904.

Pacific County.—This county ranks fifth in the value of its fishery products. The salmon fisheries are the most important, but there are also several others deserving of mention. The total production in 1915 amounted to 8,701,774 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$398,845, showing a decline since 1904 of 427,074 pounds and \$169,350 in value. The transplanting and raising of oysters from eastern seed is an important industry in this county. In 1915 31,821 bushels were taken up and sold by the owners for \$115,100. Native oysters to the amount of 1,412 bushels, valued at \$4,830, were also sold, showing a great decline in production since 1904 when the last canvass by the Bureau was made. Among other items of interest were \$34,400 worth of crabs and \$18,710 worth of razor clams. The most valuable fisheries of the county are located at Chinook, near the mouth of the Columbia River, where pound nets are used almost exclusively. Bay Center is the center of the crab, and Nahcotta and vicinity of the razor clam, industry.

Grays Harbor County.—The products of this county, formerly named Chehalis, in 1915 amounted to 9,793,354 pounds, valued at \$317,158. The most important items of this total are whale products valued at \$134,441. Three steamers are employed in this industry from Bay City, Wash., where a plant is located, to which the whales are brought for the manufacture of fertilizer and oil. This county differs from the four preceding counties in that the salmon fisheries hold second place instead of first. The most valuable razor-clam industry in the State is located in this county. Practically all of these clams are utilized in canneries located within the county. Aberdeen is the most important fishing and canning center.

Thurston County.—Olympia is the only fishing locality of any importance in this county. In this town and vicinity is centered the native oyster industry of the State. Out of a total for the county of 747,521 pounds of products, valued at \$244,209, the oyster industry contributed 294,296 pounds, or 56,328 bushels, of native oysters valued at \$219,818, and 14,091 pounds, or 2,013 bushels, of eastern oysters, valued at \$9,394. Seed oysters to the amount of 3,700 pounds, or 542 bushels, with an estimated value of \$813, are also shown. Shrimp, smelt, and clams are important items in the total output.

Kitsap County.—The fisheries of this county in 1915 amounted to 9,905,345 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$235,980, as compared with 1,052,928 pounds, valued at \$38,019, in 1904. One-half of the value in 1915 is credited to halibut taken by vessels owned by various localities in the county. The next most important is the salmon fishery, the output of which amounted to 4,905,529 pounds valued at \$97,081. Several vessels were engaged in taking herring, the total catch amounting to 1,335,049 pounds, valued at \$6,030. These were sold mainly for halibut bait. The smelt fishery is of some importance, the catch amounting to 94,175 pounds, valued at

1. Two clam canneries at Bangor utilize most of the clams on the western side of the county bordering on Hood Canal. Those taken on the eastern side are sold mostly in Seattle. There are a great many fishing localities in this county, but none of great importance. There were 65 fishing vessels in the county, which constituted an important factor in its fisheries.

Wahkiakum County.—The total output of this county amounted to 308,288 pounds, valued at \$142,308, showing a decline since 1904 to 255,613,87 pounds in quantity and of \$234,203 in value. The catch consisted almost entirely of salmon taken in the Columbia River. The gill-net fisheries are the most important, but the pound-net fisheries at Cathlamet and vicinity contribute about one-third of the total production of the county. That town has very important gill-net fisheries also and ranks as the most important fishing center on the Columbia River. Canneries at Altoona, Brookfield, Cathlamet, and Eaglecliff utilize large quantities of salmon. A considerable quantity is also smoked at Altoona. A few shad are put up at the Altoona and Eaglecliff canneries. A very small number of cases of dead roe were also canned at Altoona.

Snohomish County.—The fishery production of this county in 1915 amounted to 3,253,395 pounds, valued at \$78,860, showing an increase since 1904 of 1,566,830 pounds in quantity and of \$42,554 in value. The catch consisted almost wholly of salmon. Everett is the important fishing center of the county, and has a large fleet of salmon purse-line vessels. The gill-net fishery of this city is prosecuted in the Snohomish River as far up as Snohomish, but one man fishes his gill-nets in the Gulf of Georgia. Four canneries at Everett utilized large quantities of salmon. A considerable number of chinook salmon were also kippered here. Many herring are frozen for use later as halibut bait.

Clallam County.—This county has the Strait of Juan de Fuca as its northern, and the Pacific Ocean as its western, boundary. Its fisheries in 1915 amounted to 2,219,016 pounds, valued at \$56,011, of which 2,090,829 pounds, valued at \$50,876, were salmon. Besides the latter, some halibut, rockfishes, clams, and crabs were taken. Neah Bay and Port Angeles are the leading fishing centers of the county. Trolling for salmon is extensively followed at both places, mainly in the Pacific Ocean off Neah Bay. The catch is handled by a cannery at Neah Bay and buyers representing wholesale firms at Seattle and Tacoma. A cannery at Mora, on the Pacific coast, utilized the salmon caught in that neighborhood. This firm went out of business in 1916. One firm at Port Williams canned both salmon and clams, most of the latter being taken in Hood Canal. A few men at Dungeness follow crabbing for several months of the year. The returns for all of the fisheries in 1915 show an increase of 21,661 pounds in quantity and \$6,397 in value since 1904.

San Juan County.—This county is conveniently located near the salmon-fishing grounds of Puget Sound, but the population seems to favor farming more than fishing. A fleet of 13 vessels, however, is an important factor in the fishing industry of the county. Friday Harbor, with a population of 400, is the only important fishing town in the county and is more important through its salmon canning than through its fisheries. Besides the two canneries here, there are also two at Richardson, one at Shaw Island, and one at Deer Harbor. In

1915 a small plant at Port Stanley was engaged in making potash and fertilizer from kelp. The total fishery output of this county in 1915 amounted to 3,025,282 pounds, valued at \$40,043, as compared with 3,180,326 pounds, valued at \$103,899, in 1904. This shows a decrease of 155,044 pounds, and a proportionately greater decrease of \$63,856 in value, which occurred mainly in bluebacks and chinooks.

Mason County.—This county ranks third in the State in the value of its oyster fisheries, being exceeded only by Pacific and Thurston Counties. In 1915 the total catch of oysters amounted to 7,240 bushels, valued at \$26,815. Of these, 5,522 bushels, valued at \$22,035, were native oysters; 750 bushels, valued at \$2,250, were eastern oysters; and 1,240 bushels, with an estimated value of \$2,530, were seed oysters. It is contrary to law to sell seed oysters, and they are taken up and used solely by oyster planters on their private beds. The clam industry is also of considerable importance, 8,000 bushels with a value of \$4,111, being marketed in 1915. Shelton is the center of the county's fishery industries. The total output of Mason County in 1915 amounted to 293,304 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$36,104, showing a decline since 1904 of 1,875,420 pounds and \$34,017, accounted for mainly through the decline of the native oyster industry, which was affected by a freeze occurring during the 1915 season. The catch of salmon was also smaller in 1915 than in 1904.

Island County.—The fisheries of this county are not important compared with those counties already mentioned, the total product in 1915 amounting to 1,856,919 pounds, valued at \$19,611, as compared with 5,489,089 pounds, valued at \$125,486, in 1904. This decline is mostly in the salmon fisheries. As in San Juan County, the population includes more farmers than fishermen. In 1915 there was a fleet of only three fishing vessels, notwithstanding its proximity to the prolific salmon-fishing grounds of Puget Sound. Besides salmon the important fisheries are the crab, smelt, and grayfish. The catch of grayfish was more than one-half of the total catch of the county, but the value was less than one-seventh. During that year there were used entirely for fertilizer and oil. There are no canneries and no fishing centers of importance in the county.

Jefferson County.—Out of a total output of 3,919,316 pounds, valued at \$74,197, 2,572,837 pounds, valued at \$53,785, are credited to a pound-net fishery operated from Port Townsend. Two large salmon canneries are located at Port Townsend, and also a plant utilizing large quantities of grayfish in the preparation of fertilizer, poultry food, and oil. Hard clams and eastern oysters from private beds are among the products of this county. The returns for 1915 show an increased production over 1904 of 2,148,100 pounds and \$43,425.

Cowlitz County.—This county depends for its fish supply upon the Columbia River, which forms part of its western and southern boundaries; but the Cowlitz River, one of its tributaries, passing through the county from north to south, also furnishes considerable quantities. In 1915, 1,609,500 pounds of eulachon, or candlefish, tabulated as smelt, valued at \$6,500, were taken from one of the smaller tributaries of the Cowlitz River. These fish are taken in the vicinity of Kelso during January, February, and March. Such large quantities are secured within so short a period of time that it is difficult

dispose of them at a profitable price, the latter ranging from \$5 the beginning to as low as 10 cents per box, holding 50 pounds, the height of the season. Carrollton and Kalama are the most important fishing localities in the county, both of them supporting profitable pound-net fisheries. Gill netting and seining are also allowed to some extent. Aside from 300,000 pounds of salmon taken at Kalama, most of the catch was handled fresh by two firms, Kalama and Kelso. The total output of the county in 1915 was 3,935,756 pounds, valued at \$73,643, as compared with 1,514,562 pounds, valued at \$35,864, in 1904.

Clarke County.—The total yield of the fisheries of this county in 1915 was 1,016,122 pounds, valued at \$44,584. The salmon fisheries are the most important in the county, though \$4,000 worth of carp, taken from sloughs formed by overflow water from the Columbia River, forms an important item. These fish are shipped mainly to Seattle and Portland, and some are sent as far east as Butte, Mont. Vancouver is the most important fishing locality in the county.

Lewis County.—The fisheries of this county are unimportant, amounting in 1915 to 11,571 pounds, valued at \$542, consisting of salmon taken mostly in the Chehalis and Cowlitz Rivers. No fisheries are shown for this county in 1904.

Skamania and Klickitat Counties.—These counties, situated on the upper Columbia River, represent the upper limit of fishing on that river. In fact, no commercial fishing of importance is done on the Washington side above Grand Dalles, in Klickitat County. Aside from a few sturgeon taken on set lines, the catch of Skamania County consisted entirely of salmon. The catch of Klickitat County consisted also of salmon which were taken both in gill nets and pound nets, the catch in the latter predominating. The catch of the two counties in 1915 combined was 325,055 pounds, valued at \$2,249, showing a loss since 1904 of 674,032 pounds and \$16,591.

Franklin, Columbia, Garfield, Whitman, and Asotin Counties.—These counties are all situated on the Snake River, and the catch credited to them represents the total output of that river. Aside from the use of a few set lines for sturgeon and gill nets for salmon, the seine is the only form of apparatus used on the river. A few bluebacks are taken, but the greater part of the catch consists of chinook, silver, and steelhead. The uppermost point on the river, where commercial fishing is followed, is just above Clarkston, Wash., and Lewiston, Idaho. The most important catches of the river are made at this point. The fishing is followed in February and March, and again in August, September, and October. Except for some shipped to Spokane and near-by towns, the catch is sold locally. The total output of the five counties in 1915 amounted to 146,268 pounds, valued at \$11,468.

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES.

	Asotin.		Clallam.		Clarke.		Columbia.		Cowlitz.		Franklin.		Garfield.		Grays Harbor.		Island.		
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	
PERSONS ENGAGED.																			
On vessels fishing															68		20		
On vessels transporting.			2						2						12				
In shore fisheries	38		244		92		5		177		5		9		859		129		
On shore, in canneries, etc.			107						18						741				
Total	38		353		92		5		197		5		9		1,680		149		
INVESTMENT.																			
Vessels fishing															9	\$161,200	3	\$9,000	
Tonnage															377		46		
Outfit																11,135		910	
Vessels transporting			1	\$4,000					2	\$3,000					6	13,750			
Tonnage			10						12						53				
Outfit				625						400						1,375			
Scows (5 tons and over)			2	1,400											5	2,475			
Tonnage			42												204				
Boats:																			
Gasoline			90	32,350	55	\$18,950			122	29,450	1	\$400			99	34,445	42	15,050	
Sail, row, etc.	11	\$230	128	2,020	34	2,815	2	\$30	64	2,790	2	30	3	\$45	193	4,510	62	925	
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:																			
Seines																		3	2,400
Length in yards																		1,550	
Whaling apparatus																2,000			
Lines																750			
Apparatus, shore fisheries:																			
Seines	7	650	4	725	1	125	2	160	2	700	1	100	3	300			33	1,945	
Length in yards	750		635		150		225		670		115		350				2,310		
Gill nets	5	275	45	1,260	64	22,660			236	50,380					344	24,590			
Length in yards	425		2,675		25,750				66,315						48,748				
Pound nets					6	4,200			21	7,200					26	20,300			
Hoop nets															365	1,290			
Dip nets					4	8			62	124									
Pots			135	200											525	1,050	2,270	4,540	
Lines				3,425		75						30				500		980	
Dredges, tongs, rakes, etc.																			
					7														
															846				

Cash capital.....				16,500				5,600				75,700				38,406		
Total.....		1,955		217,492		49,898		290		132,289		660		455		727,586		
PRODUCTS.																		
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....					200,000	\$4,000												
Grayfish.....																		
Halibut.....			42,000	\$1,920											413,000	\$21,607	1,080,000	\$2,429
"Lingcod".....															150	2		
Perch.....																	500	15
Rockfishes.....			57,000	1,425											21,000	523	1,000	35
Salmon:																		
Blueback or sockeye	1,100	\$88			9,710	484			9,880	\$457			2,250	\$180	1,242,530	57,353	5,800	444
Chinook.....	17,160	1,372	384,426	9,614	655,325	36,711	10,125	\$759	1,782,875	55,586	2,490	\$199	14,640	1,170	912,005	18,745	62,484	1,683
Chum.....			50,376	691	17,100	85			165,350	826	984	79			1,340,262	6,145	50,024	717
Humpback.....			61,050	1,482					240	3					19,170	240	80,428	992
Silver.....	1,080	86	1,594,977	39,089	33,800	877			180,020	4,179	680	54			1,316,670	25,969	283,348	7,266
Shad.....					19,550	197			19,200	293								
Sharks.....																	64,000	141
Skates.....																	44,000	99
Smelts.....					12,550	126			1,609,500	6,580							71,500	2,543
Sole.....																		500
Steelhead trout.....	62,128	4,971			65,537	1,971	9,600	720	161,966	5,383			10,136	811	105,350	5,714	158	10
Sturgeon.....					2,550	133			6,725	336	1,200	90			1,940	58		
Clams:																		
Hard.....			2,520	190														552
Razor.....															297,430	37,736		
Oysters: Eastern, market.....															875	525		
Crabs.....			26,667	1,600											255,847	8,100	112,625	3,172
Whale oil.....															2,575,125	110,051		
Other whale products.....															1,292,000	24,390		
Total.....	81,468	6,517	2,219,016	56,011	1,016,122	44,584	19,725	1,479	3,935,756	73,643	5,354	422	27,026	2,161	9,793,354	317,158	1,856,919	19,611

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

	Jefferson.		King.		Kitsap.		Klickitat.		Lewis.		Mason.		Pacific.		Pierce.		San Juan.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
PERSONS ENGAGED.																		
On vessels fishing.....	11		1,779		130													
On vessels transporting.....	18		30		2													
In shore fisheries.....	100		196		225		7		13		92		27		218		106	
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	156		432		14						8		173		97		339	
Total.....	351		2,716		660		7		13		100		977		840		552	
INVESTMENT.																		
Vessels fishing.....	2	\$6,500	296	\$1,162,110	65	\$176,500									79	\$20,400	13	\$40,300
Tonnage.....	18		5,815		880										1,377		179	
Outfit.....																		
Vessels transporting.....	7	30,100	16	51,500	2	1,000												
Tonnage.....	88		212		17										78		125	
Outfit.....																		
Scows (5 tons and over)	18	4,350	7	7,600		250									2	2,450	3	3,625
Tonnage.....	731		173												37	1,400	16	10,300
Boats:																		
Gasoline.....	33	12,650	157	103,200	82	35,950	4	\$1,050							70	41,710	22	12,800
Sail, row, etc.....	53	2,710	180	7,255	127	1,920		3,300	1	\$100					130	6,250	40	2,165
Apparatus, vessel fish- eries:																		
Seines.....	1	900	138	92,000	68	42,250									61	41,700	13	9,900
Lengths in yards.....	500		77,065		32,275										33,975		6,550	
Gill nets.....																		
Length in yards.....			4	50														
Beam trawls.....															3	625		
Hoop nets.....																		
Pots.....															25	70		
Whaling apparatus.....																		
Lines.....																		
Dredges.....																		
Apparatus, shore fish- eries:																		
Seines.....	12	825	21	5,070	38	2,885									15	900	20	1,350
Length in yards.....	1,310		4,855		3,615										900		1,665	
Gill nets.....	4	120	312	27,668	33	2,990									6	305	97	2,970
Length in yards.....	285		60,440		7,820										66,720		8,540	
Beam trawls.....																		
Whaling apparatus.....																		
Pound nets.....	8	60,000	27	127,000	3	55									197	133,950	1	5,000
Hoop nets.....															2	337	5	987

Hoop nets											60	200					85	270
Pots																	220	325
Whaling apparatus																		2,050
Lines		400				250												46,800
Dredges	2	75															10	275
Apparatus, shore fisheries:																		
Seines	11	2,100			2	150	13	1,350	2	600	5	1,350	3	285			200	23,145
Length in yards	2,140				200		1,325		800		875		370				25,340	
Gill nets	403	20,831	39	3,030	350	8,480	1	175	365	76,725	326	21,030	1	35			2,878	308,859
Length in yards	55,175		4,220		21,230		450		134,365		58,725		30				572,078	
Beam trawls							3	225									7	405
Pound nets	41	176,653							38	30,400	65	505,500					444	1,100,103
Hoop nets																	2,402	7,227
Dip nets									1	2							67	134
Reef nets											2	80					8	425
Pots	630	645			80	155					850	1,225					4,725	8,152
Wheels																	2	1,000
Lines		1,752		20		1,190						1,150						21,200
Dredges, tongs, rakes, etc		4				10		1,455				7						4,536
Shore and accessory property		1,403,369		35		387,117		54,985		342,804		2,097,832		150				7,386,709
Cash capital		62,000				18,200		14,500		31,000		126,000						543,000
Total		2,136,032		6,755		560,267		105,585		563,881		3,364,324		545				14,131,163

PRODUCTS.																	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Carp															200,000	4,000	
Cod:																	
Fresh																22,025	421
Salted	3,278,284	\$106,954														5,498,284	180,934
Flounders																25,855	736
Grayfish										800,000	\$1,800					7,093,996	15,959
Halibut					45,000	\$1,860										40,590,705	2,041,279
Herring	2,200	22			275,000	1,169										2,129,149	9,655
"Lingcod"	790,500	1,789									20,000	85				837,110	2,812
Perch																14,750	493
Rockfishes	1,000	40														101,351	2,995
Sablefish					1,000	25										575,810	13,782
Salmon:																	
Blue-back, or sock-eye	557,770	47,930	7,755	\$386	80,670	6,453	7,780	\$690	23,645	\$1,181	1,752,870	126,295	1,250	\$87	5,043,374	345,710	
Chinook	2,036,367	82,328	95,375	4,384	209,860	6,779	330	20	2,600,571	115,293	2,226,885	92,724	3,673	257	18,188,160	699,771	
Chum	1,840,300	36,329	8,750	43	500,718	9,398	840	5	233,011	1,193	2,230,604	37,136			17,156,224	282,842	
Humpback	3,879,170	57,081			1,120,508	16,795	29,644	480	4,900	61	9,332,934	112,859			29,998,291	367,521	
Silver	2,040,040	71,658	5,000	112	975,608	33,928	4,068	135	468,888	10,441	3,932,783	113,229	3,688	258	18,630,302	543,241	
Shad	483	15	100	1					31,461	311					96,298	1,164	
Sharks											5,000	11			399,000	889	
Skates											3,000	7			229,000	515	
Smelts	44,191	1,331			1,406	50	121,988	4,275	3,500	40	43,930	1,562			2,158,371	25,333	

PRODUCTS BY APPARATUS.

The following are the different forms of apparatus used in the fisheries of Washington, in the order of their importance, based on the value of their catch. The kinds of apparatus, such as dredges, dredges, etc., used in taking oysters, clams, and mussels are so varied that they are not given any particular ranking on the basis of catch.

Lines.—Lines are used both in the vessel and shore fisheries, but their importance is due mainly to their use in the halibut vessel fisheries. The total catch of all species by lines in 1915 amounted to 58,923,651 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$2,446,323. Of this amount, halibut contributed 40,590,705 pounds, valued at \$2,041,279. The total catch by lines in 1904 amounted to only 5,897,155 pounds, valued at \$458,375.

Trolling.—Trolling has in recent years become one of the important fisheries of Washington. It is followed in Neah Bay, Strait of Juan de Fuca, and in the Pacific Ocean off the village of Neah Bay, and more recently a very large number of boats have been trolling off the mouth of the Columbia River. With the exception of fishermen from a few towns in Pacific County, however, the latter fishery was of no great importance in 1915. In 1916, while no statistics are available, it was reliably reported that as many as 1,500 boats from Washington and Oregon were engaged in trolling off the Columbia River; some of these were sport fishermen, but the greater proportion were engaged in commercial fishing. Some of the boats were from as far up the river as Vancouver. Many of the gill-net fishermen laid aside their nets to troll.

In 1915 nearly 500 boats were engaged at times in trolling in the vicinity of Neah Bay. As in halibut fishing, it is followed on banks very little being done in deep water. The boats alternate between fishing in Neah Bay and in the ocean, according to the run of fish. If the weather is favorable and fishing good, a boat may remain out in the ocean, but this condition is said to have been reversed in 1916. The greatest distance resorted to by trollers is off Swiftsure Lightship, 15 miles WNW. from Tatoosh Island. More trolling was done in this than on any other ocean bank in 1915.

The season for trolling is usually from June 15 to September 15, and often continues until the last of October or later; but the fall sales usually put an end to the fishing, as the boats are too small to weather heavy seas.

The catch consists almost entirely of chinook and silver salmon. The former species usually predominates, but in 1915 silver salmon were much more plentiful. In 1915 probably three-fifths of the catch was sold to a nearby cannery and the remainder to buyers representing wholesale dealers in Seattle and a few in Tacoma. The fish are delivered to the canneries by means of "tenders." The tenders are gasoline boats, each of which tows a large scow. The gasoline boat loads first and makes the trip to the cannery while the scow is being loaded. The scow is usually anchored in Neah Bay. The fish are sold in the round by the fishermen. When sold to a nearby cannery the fish are not dressed until landed at the cannery; when sold to distant canneries they are dressed on the cannery scows as they are brought in. In 1916 a canning firm at Anacortes had a scow anchored in Neah Bay fitted up with an iron chum- or dress-

ing machine, which eviscerates and cuts off the head, fins, and of the fish.

When fishing on the outside in the ocean fishermen leave the vill of Neah Bay or vicinity at about 1 a. m. and reach the fishing ground at 4 o'clock. The best trolling is supposed to be at daylight. Fishing is usually continued until dark; if intending to remain the boat anchored on the bank overnight, and fishing is resumed the next morning and continued until noon of the following day, when a return is made to Neah Bay for the night. Another trip is made to fishing grounds on the following morning. These return trips to Neah Bay are often necessitated by the failure of the tender to get out to the fishing grounds.

The boats used for trolling are of gasoline power, and, with few exceptions, are less than 5 net tons in size and very seldom have more than one man aboard. A considerable number of rowboats, however, are also used in the fishery. It is a common occurrence for a gasoline boat to have two rowboats in tow while trolling, and occasionally as many as four may be under tow. When the two rowboats are being towed each will be off the quarter of the gas boat and about 200 feet behind it. In the case of four rowboats the second two boats are a distance of about 600 feet behind the gasoline boat. The distance between the boats is so arranged that the lines will not interfere with each other. The common practice is for the owner of the rowboat to give one-third of his catch to the owner of the gas boat for being towed. It is said that rowboat fishing is often as successful as trolling from the gas boat.

Gas boats usually have three lines fishing at a time—one from each quarter of the boat and the other attached to a pole 6 feet long placed upright near the center of the boat and running off from the stern. The side lines are worked from outriggers 10 feet long, projecting out from the side of the boat. No bait, but a spoon is always used. Until recent years two and sometimes three hooks were used but now the common practice is to use only one hook.

Pound nets.—Based upon the value of the catch, pound nets rank second in importance among the forms of fishery apparatus used in Washington in 1915. The catch for that year amounted to 37,560,300 pounds, valued at \$991,115, an increase of 10,102,969 pounds and \$130,818 since 1904. There were 444 pound nets, costing \$1,100,100, operated in the State in 1915. It is customary among the owners of pound nets in Washington to include in the value of the pound net the estimated value of the "stand," or bottom, where the net is set, but that practice has not been followed in this report. It is no doubt true that in most cases considerable value does attach to the stand, which is proved by the fact that even though a pound net is not to be fished a license is nevertheless secured from the State simply to hold the stand, for which large sums have often been offered. Pound nets are quite generally used throughout the Puget Sound region and also in the Columbia River as far up as commercial fishing is followed. The nets used in the Puget Sound region are much larger and more expensive than those used in the Columbia River and are commonly owned by corporations, while those in the latter stream are owned mostly by individuals. The name "trap" is always used for pound nets in this region.

Pound nets used in Washington waters are similar in principle to those used on the Atlantic coast, consisting of a leader, one and very often two hearts, a large followed by a small one, and a tunnel leading into the pot. In addition, however, what is known as a "spiller" is attached to the side of the pot. A tunnel leads from the pot into the spiller, the fish being removed from the latter, the same as from the pot, where there is no spiller. As a rule in Puget Sound wire is commonly used for the leaders and hearts and cotton twine for the pot and spiller. Occasionally wire is also used for the pot, but never in the spiller, as it could not then be fished. Wire has come into use within recent years. It is fastened to the top of the stakes by the use of boards. In addition to the two hearts some pound nets have what are termed "jiggers" attached to the inside of the first or large heart. These are in reality equivalent to another and larger heart. The netting of the pot very seldom extends to the bottom, as this would mean an unnecessary expenditure, but instead an "apron" of netting leading up from the heart to the bottom of the pot is used to lead the fish into the pot. Some pound nets are set to fish only one side, the location rendering the other side useless for fishing.

The pound nets in Willapa Harbor are quite small as compared with those in Puget Sound. The leaders are usually 100 feet or less in length, and only one heart is used. A wing is used from one side of the heart to draw the fish into it. In order to use all available space, the tunnel from the heart to the pot opens out from the side instead of the end of the heart. The tunnel is about 3 feet wide at the large end and narrows down to 18 inches at the small end. The tunnel from the pot to the spiller is still smaller; but even as small as these entrances are, it is said that seals sometimes succeed in getting into the pot and sometimes even into the spiller. All parts of these nets are made of twine.

Pound nets, as previously stated, are fished in the Columbia River on the Washington side as far up as commercial fishing is followed; but more are set off Chinook than from all other points on the river combined. The total number operated in 1915 in the vicinity of that town was 118, having a value of \$97,700. These nets, as the value indicates, are much smaller than those used in Puget Sound and are set in water from 15 to 25 feet deep. The leaders range in length from 100 to 900 feet. One heart only is used; this has an average length of from 30 to 35 feet and a width of 40 feet. The pots range in size from 32 to 36 feet square and the spiller from 16 to 24 feet square. The entire net is made of twine, no wire, as in Puget Sound, being used. In places where the current is very strong, the entrance from the heart to the pot is similar to those of nets in Willapa Harbor; that is, from the side of the heart. In this case the pot and spiller are upstream from the heart.

The pound nets used farther up the Columbia River at Kalama are like those below, except that they have no spiller, the catch being taken direct from the pot. The leaders vary in length from 50 to 600 feet, and the pots are usually about 24 feet square.

The pound-net season on the Columbia River is from May 1 to August 25, and from September 10 to March 1, but only a few continue fishing after the first of December. During the spring and summer season, fishing is prohibited from 6 p. m. on Saturdays to 6 p. m. on Sundays. The pound-net stakes are allowed to remain down

about 90 yards in length and 25 meshes (6½ inches) in depth. Silver salmon predominate in the catch.

Drift gill netting is usually followed at night, as the water is too clear, except after a freshet, to fish during the day.

An extensive drift gill-net fishery is prosecuted from La Conner, Skagit County, in the north fork of the Skagit River. A few boats from this vicinity also go as far north as the Gulf of Georgia. Most of the fishing in these waters, as well as in the Strait of Juan de Fuca is done during the summer, and mostly for bluebacks, though humpbacks are also taken at the same time. Silver salmon are taken more in the tributary streams. In 1915 the spring and summer catch from the Skagit River was utilized by the fresh-fish markets, but the fall catch was delivered to the canneries. In 1916 practically the entire catch, with the exception of steelhead, was utilized by the canneries.

The drift gill-net fishermen at towns on Grays Harbor are divided between those fishing on the Chehalis and those fishing on the Columbia Rivers; the former using row, and the latter gasoline, boats. The nets used on the Chehalis River average 100 yards in length and 3 meshes of 6½ inches in depth. Chinook, silver, and chum salmon in the order of their importance were taken. A few men use nets with 8¼-inch mesh for the larger chinook salmon.

The distance a net is allowed to drift before being lifted is termed a "drift" or "reach." On this river it is from 500 to 1,000 feet depending upon the condition of the bottom as to snags or other obstructions. In 1915, the catch was sold mostly to near-by canneries but conditions were somewhat changed in 1916.

Drift gill nets used on the Columbia River in Washington vary in length from 450 to 500 yards, used at Ilwaco at the mouth of the river, to 250 yards at Stevenson, the most distant point up the river at which they are used. At Vancouver and vicinity, however, the nets average about 600 yards in length. The depth of the net varies from 25 to 30 feet. This applies only to surface drift nets; diver or bottom nets will be described later. No. 40 linen twine running from 7 to 14 ply is almost invariably used. With few exceptions, two men are required to fish a net. None but gasoline boats are used. The fishing is ordinarily followed at night, but when the water becomes roily it can be done during the day. A "drift" or "reach" varies according to the locality and conditions. A net is sometimes allowed to drift a mile before lifting. During the spring the State law prohibits fishing from 6 p. m. Saturday until 6 p. m. Sunday. Gill nets are washed about every week in a solution of bluestone and water to remove the slime. It is a common practice to tan the nets at intervals to render them less discernible in the water. The drift gill nets just described are all surface nets. Above Altoona a net known as a "diver," or submersible drift gill net, is used. The diver is similar to the surface net except that the corks are smaller and the cork and lead lines lighter, so that it will just touch the bottom. The nets are also shorter and much more shallow than the surface nets. The number in use increases going up the river from Altoona, and above Kalama it is the only kind used. Those used at Kalama and above are, however, different from those below. Instead of one they have three webs, similar to a trammel net, except that the salmon are gilled and not pocketed. The three webs are suspended

on a common cork line, but there are two lead lines. The back net is usually from 3 to 5 feet deeper than the other two. The front nets hang together from the cork line to the front lead line. The back, or main, net hangs from the cork line to the other lead line. The first and third nets commonly have a mesh of 8 inches and 7 inches, respectively, while the middle net has a mesh of 10 or 12 inches. The front net is called the "apron." Several reasons are assigned for using diver gill nets. One is that they are sunk to avoid driftwood or other refuse on the surface, especially during the spring freshets. Another reason is that the fish, having encountered so many surface gill nets and pound nets in the river below, become more timid and swim lower. Diver nets float much more slowly than surface nets. It is always necessary to clean the bottom of the river before setting diver nets.

The most profitable drift netting is followed from the first of May until the latter part of August. Some fishing is also followed in the winter, but it is not so profitable then, as the run consists mainly of "winter fish" or fall chinooks, which sell for a very low price and are scarcely worth handling.

Set gill nets.—Set gill nets are much shorter than drift gill nets and are fished in small streams or inlets. The two extremes of length would probably be 6 and 100 yards, but a fair average might be about 25 yards. Their depth ranges from 30 to 50 meshes, the number being the same as in the drift net. Linen twine of the same kind and size, as for drift nets is used. It is almost a universal custom to set them in eddies, one end being tied to a stake, or some stationary object, and the other anchored. Sometimes they are buoyed or anchored at each end. They can not be set across a navigable stream, as they would interfere with navigation. One man is sufficient to handle one or more set nets, a rowboat being commonly used. The extent of the set gill-net fishery is small as compared with drift gill netting. Silver, chinook, steelhead, and chum salmon, in the order of their importance, are the principal species taken.

Harpoons.—Harpoons are used only in the whale fishery, which is carried on mainly in Pacific County. One coast-trading steamer based in Seattle also followed whaling incidentally for a short time. The harpoon gun used in the whale fishery is, in reality, a small cannon placed on a raised platform on the forward part of the boat. The bomb, a sharp-pointed projectile about a foot long, is screwed to the tip of the harpoon. The stem or handle of the harpoon is sometimes one solid piece, but more often two pieces united at the middle. The advantage of the latter kind is that it is light and can be fired at a greater distance. The head of the harpoon consists of four barbs or barbs which are lashed together by spun yarn. The harpoon, with bomb attached, is about 5 feet long. When the harpoon strikes the whale, the spun yarn is shoved off the flukes, allowing the bomb to open in the body of the whale. At the same time, as soon as the bomb enters the whale, it is exploded into many pieces. There is usually an interval of two seconds after firing before the bomb explodes, this interval depending upon how hard the powder is packed in the bomb. The ignition of the powder in the bomb allows the shoving off of the spun yarn from the flukes of the harpoon, the latter operation pulling a wire connecting with a fuse cap on the bomb. In some instances, but not in this case, an igniter

nected with the front of the pot. As soon as the fish have entered the men pull the front up with these lines. The bottom of the pot is then lifted so that the fish can be removed with dip nets.

Wheels.—Wheels are of two kinds, movable and stationary. Two of the latter kind were fished in the Columbia River off Pacific County. The catch was unimportant, amounting in 1915 to only 5,234 pounds with a value of \$211.

Dredges, tongs, rakes, hoes, etc.—The dredge is the only one of the apparatus used both in the vessel and shore fisheries. Out of a total catch of 1,740,609 pounds, valued at \$468,006, 1,227,315 pounds valued at \$433,985, were taken inshore, and the remainder in the vessel fisheries. Compared with the catch by the same apparatus in 1904, there was a decrease of 525,920 pounds and an increase of \$2,132. The loss of weight was mainly in native oysters.

Dredges are used exclusively in taking oysters and are similar to those used in the east for this purpose. Tongs, rakes, and hoes are also used for taking oysters. Both hoes and forks are used in catching hard clams, but shovels only are used for razor clams. The few mussels shown were taken with the oysters.

Apparatus and species.	Grays Harbor.		Island.		Jefferson.		King.		Kitsap.		Pacific.		Pierce.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Seines:														
Herring.....							337,450	\$1,567	1,302,951	\$5,536			45,000	\$200
Salmon—														
Blueback or sockeye.....			5,800	\$444	1,140	\$100	352,265	31,168	156,560	13,300			283,795	24,529
Chinook.....			278	9	8,000	280	81,555	2,654	87,935	2,859			104,099	3,121
Chum.....			43,224	703	38,936	633	3,665,604	78,357	1,700,970	27,607			3,419,920	55,526
Humpback.....			74,828	922	19,224	240	5,284,916	59,361	2,007,612	22,449			4,353,636	51,760
Silver.....			11,154	409	3,726	137	835,153	32,478	274,038	10,964			668,612	25,623
Smelt.....							16,998	522	8,288	295				
Steelhead trout.....					25	2	1,976	113	557	37			235	16
Sturgeon.....							200	12						
Total.....			135,284	2,487	71,051	1,392	10,576,117	206,232	5,538,911	83,047			8,873,297	160,775
Gill nets:														
Cod.....							15,000	265						
“Lingcod”.....							160	6						
Total.....							15,160	271						
Beam trawl:														
Cod.....							225	7						
Flounders.....							555	7						
Perch.....							50	3						
Rockfishes.....							201	11						
Sole.....							6,562	214						
Shrimp.....							44,450	3,050					139,432	6,386
Total.....							52,043	3,292					139,432	6,386
Hoop nets and pots: Crabs.....							1,450	54			6,600	\$200	22,661	850
Lines:														
Cod, salted.....							2,220,000	73,980						
Halibut.....	413,000	\$21,607			31,000	1,700	33,627,389	1,690,566	2,401,956	120,754			4,003,260	201,257
“Lingcod”.....							21,400	625						
Rockfishes.....	18,000	448					4,900	119						
Sablefish.....							526,810	12,557	27,000	675			21,000	525
Salmon—														
Chinook.....	15,000	740					23,400	925	3,000	75			2,000	50
Humpback.....							455	5						
Silver.....	7,000	140					45,500	925	6,500	175			10,000	200
Cod tongues.....							12,000	836						
Total.....	453,000	22,935			31,000	1,700	36,481,854	1,780,538	2,438,456	121,679			4,036,260	202,032

Humpback				1,200	18								2,000	80
Silver				2,000	80									
Total				4,600	175								19,760	446
Beam trawl:														
Cod													225	7
Flounders													555	7
Perch													50	3
Rockfishes													201	11
Sole													6,562	214
Shrimp							99,460	4,476					283,342	13,912
Total							99,460	4,476					290,935	14,154
Hoop nets and pots: Crabs											61,520	2,000	92,231	3,104
Lines:														
Cod, salted			3,278,284	106,954									5,498,284	180,934
Halibut					45,000	1,800							40,521,605	2,087,744
"Lingcod"													21,400	625
Rockfishes													22,900	567
Sablefish					1,000	25							575,810	13,782
Salmon—														
Chinook					4,600	200							48,000	1,990
Humpback													455	5
Silver					9,000	275							78,000	1,715
Cod tongues			18,000	1,254									30,000	2,090
Total			3,296,284	108,208	59,600	2,360							46,796,454	2,239,452
Dredges, etc.:														
Eastern oysters, market			16,800	9,000									60,319	32,155
Native oysters, market			2,800	1,600									2,975	1,675
Kelp	450,000	191											450,000	191
Total	450,000	191	19,600	10,600									513,294	34,021
Harpoons:														
Whalebone													6,000	4,200
Whale oil													2,635,125	112,851
Other whale products													1,292,000	24,390
Total													3,933,125	141,441
Grand total	1,192,537	12,407	4,875,965	155,032	2,112,467	41,942	146,948	6,141	109,000	2,160	5,752,839	108,577	86,949,151	3,084,800

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY SEINES—Continued.

Species.	Thurston.		Wahkiakum.		Whatcom.		Whitman.		Total.	
	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.
Salmon:									200,000	\$4,000
Carp									1,800	35
Cod									21,500	527
Flounders									1,260,000	2,837
Trayfish									146,548	1,076
Herring									1,000	25
Lingcod									5,300	196
Perch									9,100	535
Rockfishes										
Salmon:										
Blueback or sockeye	4,980	\$440	15,530	\$776	5,500	\$495	1,250	\$87	85,565	4,863
Chinook			94,250	5,655	960	30	2,848	199	522,913	24,419
Chum					32,000	520			363,302	6,519
Humpback	26,304	395			68,000	650			489,176	5,687
Silver	1,878	70			10,800	375	3,688	258	168,130	5,350
Shad			26,828	268					50,387	606
Sharks									54,000	122
Skates									38,000	85
Smelt	74,500	2,610			38,430	1,367			435,101	15,212
Sole									24,900	719
Steelhead trout			8,037	240				3,984	149,645	8,957
Sturgeon								100	2,700	164
Caviar								8	150	38
Total.....	107,662	3,515	144,645	6,939	155,690	3,437	11,870	831	4,029,217	81,972

BY GILL NETS.

Species.	Asotin.		Clallam.		Clarke.		Cowlitz.		Grays Harbor.		Jefferson.	
	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.
'Lingcod'											300	\$7
Perch											5,000	125
Rockfishes											1,000	60
Salmon:												
Blueback or sockeye					7,710	\$384	9,780	\$452	1,242,530	\$57,353		
Chinook	30	\$2	78,960	\$1,976	510,200	30,611	852,125	19,346	498,170	9,938	20	1
Chum			13,490	165	7,900	39	51,200	256	973,962	4,480	4,600	57
Humpback			38,400	1,200			240	3	18,420	231		
Silver			80,148	1,687	6,100	142	21,520	499	727,430	13,957	6,720	193
Shad					19,550	197	8,600	85				
Smelt					50	1	6,000	50				
Steelhead trout	1,040	\$4			42,412	1,277	119,712	4,117	82,850	4,364	3,560	20
Sturgeon					2,500	130	6,400	320	240	7		
Total.....	1,070	86	210,998	5,028	596,422	32,781	1,075,577	25,128	3,543,602	90,330	21,200	463

Species.	King.		Kitsap.		Klickitat.		Lewis.		Mason.		Pacific.	
	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.	Lbs.	Value.
Cod			4,700	\$105								
Flounders			600	18								
Perch			1,900	94								
Salmon:												
Blueback or sockeye	88,550	\$7,080	9,385	734	90	\$5	75	\$7			4,240	\$332
Chinook	138,420	5,553	3,518	132	2,375	163	7,930	418	3,648	\$220	1,231,220	57,806
Chum	252,080	3,780	10,178	215			385	5	3,120	28	226,889	1,110
Humpback	62,480	469	3,376	53							400	5
Silver	258,424	9,927	20,073	817			2,710	77	4,800	175	149,779	2,997
Shad											47	1
Smelt			686	23								
Sole			200	6								
Steelhead trout	70,325	5,605	1,545	117	2,337	165	471	35	1,875	125	33,642	1,288
Sturgeon											11,800	518
Caviar											150	37
Total.....	870,279	32,414	56,161	2,314	4,802	333	11,571	542	13,443	548	1,658,167	64,094

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915,
COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY GILL NETS—Continued.

Species.	Pierce.		San Juan.		Skagit.		Skamania.		Snohomish.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Perch.....	2,500	\$75								
Salmon:										
Blueback or sockeye.....	7,750	622	10,565	\$950	12,435	\$560	7,755	\$386	9,250	\$
Chinook.....	14,640	923	549	14	444,398	20,398	95,375	4,384	75,790	2,
Chum.....	48,170	301	7,840	127	824,800	15,044	8,750	43	101,414	1,
Humpback.....	38,488	962	120,288	1,503	82,820	950			27,810	
Silver.....	50,148	1,505	17,388	724	444,578	17,597	5,000	112	477,989	18,
Shad.....							100	1		
Smelt.....	5,100	195								
Steelhead trout.....	5,812	460			30,302	2,195	10,662	319	31,790	1,
Sturgeon.....							2,000	100		
Total.....	172,608	5,043	156,630	3,318	1,839,383	56,744	129,642	5,345	724,043	26,

Species.	Thurston.		Wahkiakum.		Whatcom.		Whitman.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Cod.....									4,700	\$
Flounders.....									600	
" Lingcod".....									300	
Perch.....									9,400	
Rockfishes.....									1,000	
Salmon:										
Blueback or sockeye.....	2,800	\$250	3,500	\$175	44,740	\$3,361			1,461,155	73,
Chinook.....	330	20	1,346,900	67,331	29,520	1,541	825	\$58	5,334,943	223,
Chum.....	840	5	164,675	849	114,500	1,416			2,814,793	29,
Humpback.....	3,340	85	700	9	23,372	296			420,134	6,
Silver.....	2,190	65	68,140	1,376	417,617	16,843			2,760,754	87,
Shad.....			3,912	36					32,209	
Smelt.....					5,500	195			17,336	
Sole.....									200	
Steelhead trout.....			243,711	7,547	12,150	931			694,196	30,
Sturgeon.....			5,260	288					28,200	1,
Caviar.....									150	
Total.....	9,500	425	1,836,798	77,611	647,399	24,583	825	58	13,580,070	453,

BY BEAM TRAWLS.

Species.	Kitsap.		Pierce.		Thurston.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Flounders.....	2,600	\$150					2,600	\$
Rockfishes.....	1,700	80					1,700	
Sole.....	36,000	1,000					36,000	1,0
Shrimp.....	10,648	745	61,900	\$2,785	30,530	\$1,277	103,078	4,8
Total.....	50,948	1,975	61,900	2,785	30,530	1,277	143,378	6,0

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY POUND NETS.

Species.	Clarke.		Cowlitz.		Grays Harbor.		Jefferson.		King.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Rayfish							400,000	\$900	100,000	\$225
Lingcod									20,000	250
Salmon:										
Blueback or sockeye	2,000	\$100					23,540	1,883	200,745	11,000
Chinook	145,125	6,100	758,250	\$32,100	377,200	\$7,544	585,460	\$20,491	1,010,240	55,563
Chum	9,200	46	108,750	543	366,300	1,665	228,976	2,862	442,040	11,051
Humpback							816,820	10,210	1,576,004	15,760
Silver	24,000	660	158,500	3,680	527,000	10,540	481,086	16,036	793,716	29,103
Head									3,878	160
Sharks							10,000	22		
Kates							6,000	13		
Melt									10,599	375
Ceelhead trout	23,125	694	36,437	1,092	22,500	1,350	18,575	1,300	93,288	6,997
Burgeoon	50	3	325	16	1,700	51	2,380	68	2,280	160
Total	203,500	7,603	1,062,262	37,431	1,294,700	21,150	2,572,837	53,785	4,252,790	130,644

Species.	Kitsap.		Klickitat.		Pacific.		Pierce.		San Juan.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Rayfish	220,000	\$495							380,000	\$855
Salmon:										
Blueback or sockeye	6,505	520	20,850	\$1,042	76,667	\$3,828	30	\$3	18,325	1,649
Chinook	21,136	870	63,870	2,850	2,890,690	83,262	9,900	645	105,006	2,625
Chum	22,844	1,187			279,693	1,401	47,600	300	472	7
Humpback	11,492	205	1,104	13	1,760	22	3,200	80	321,272	4,016
Silver	30,373	1,471	66,600	1,500	718,607	14,371	9,900	300	165,114	6,879
Head					8,223	52				
Sharks									12,000	26
Kates									8,000	18
Melt					55	2				
Quid							15,000	325		
Ceelhead trout	2,525	175	37,687	1,136	697,039	23,556	2,185	150	13	1
Burgeoon	78	5			2,600	104				
Total	314,953	4,928	190,111	6,541	4,675,334	126,598	87,815	1,803	1,010,202	16,076

Species.	Skagit.		Wahkiakum.		Whatcom.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Rayfish					800,000	\$1,800	1,900,000	\$4,275
Ferring	2,200	\$22					2,200	22
Lingcod	790,000	1,777					810,000	2,027
Salmon:								
Blueback or sockeye	480,250	42,074	4,615	\$230	1,431,340	98,274	2,264,867	160,603
Chinook	1,397,000	56,375	1,096,921	40,747	2,070,222	87,550	10,531,020	396,722
Chum	383,500	7,460	44,336	224	388,456	8,001	2,322,167	34,747
Humpback	2,892,000	43,060	4,200	52	6,033,348	75,416	11,661,200	148,834
Silver	794,800	31,792	380,748	8,665	2,580,282	66,878	6,730,726	191,875
Head	60	2	721	7			12,882	221
Sharks					5,000	11	27,000	59
Kates					3,000	7	17,000	38
Melt	600	18					11,254	395
Quid							15,000	325
Ceelhead trout	92,600	5,910	182,301	5,604	35,983	2,521	1,244,258	50,486
Burgeoon	840	50	503	29			10,756	486
Total	6,833,850	188,540	1,714,345	55,558	13,347,631	340,458	37,560,330	991,115

BY HOOP NETS.

Species.	Grays Harbor.		Pacific.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Sharks	169,885	\$5,425	1,097,778	\$34,200	1,267,663	\$39,625

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915,
COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY DIP NETS.

Species.	Clarke.		Cowlitz.		Wahkiakum.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Smelt.....	12,500	\$125	1,603,500	\$6,530	3,500	\$40	1,619,500	\$6,695

BY REEF NETS.

Species.	San Juan.		Whatcom.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon:						
Blueback or sockeye.....	6,790	\$611	12,500	\$935	19,290	\$1,546
Chinook.....	5,016	125			5,016	125
Chum.....	8,944	145			8,944	145
Humpback.....	92,948	1,162	21,200	265	114,148	1,427
Silver.....	22,584	941			22,584	941
Steelhead trout.....	225	15			225	15
Total.....	136,507	2,999	33,700	1,200	170,207	4,199

BY POTS.

Species.	Clallam.		Grays Harbor.		Island.		Jefferson.		King.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Crabs.....	26,667	\$1,600	85,962	\$2,675	112,625	\$3,172	2,000	\$90	1,793	\$80

Species.	Pierce.		Skagit.		Snohomish.		Whatcom.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Crabs.....	2,500	\$100	46,617	\$1,318	10,000	\$250	86,352	\$2,525	374,516	\$11,193

BY WHEELS.

Species.	Pacific.		Species.	Pacific.	
	Pounds.	Value.		Pounds.	Value.
Salmon:					
Blueback or sockeye.....	1,600	\$80	Sturgeon.....	100	
Chinook.....	500	30			
Shad.....	397	4	Total.....	5,234	
Steelhead trout.....	2,637	91			

BY LINES.

Species.	Clallam.		Clarke.		Franklin.		Grays Harbor.		Island.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Grayfish.....									800,000	\$1,000
Halibut.....	42,000	\$1,920								
"Lingcod".....							150	\$2		
Rockfishes.....	57,000	1,425					3,000	75	1,000	
Salmon:										
Chinook.....	275,876	6,898					21,635	523	51,156	1,000
Chum.....	15,500	155								
Humpback.....	22,650	282					750	9	4,200	
Silver.....	1,453,299	36,234	3,700	\$75			55,240	1,332	268,744	6,000
Sharks.....									46,000	
Skates.....									32,000	
Sturgeon.....					1,200	\$90				
Total.....	1,866,325	46,914	3,700	75	1,200	90	80,775	1,941	1,203,100	10,000

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY LINES—Continued.

Species.	Jefferson.		King.		Kitsap.		Mason.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Cod.....			300	\$9				
Flounders.....			200	2	400	\$32		
Grayfish.....	560,000	\$1,255	604,662	1,362	310,000	697		
Halbut.....	12,000	960	15,000	645				
"Lingcod".....	3,000	90	600	18				
Rockfishes.....			800	24	650	38	1,000	\$35
Salmon:								
Blueback or sockeye.....			117	9				
Chinook.....	43,406	1,086	193,662	4,842	80,388	2,010	9,135	230
Humpback.....	3,450	43	18,400	220	6,600	83	750	10
Silver.....	265,178	6,629	1,017,388	25,435	422,312	10,558	47,990	1,200
Sharks.....	18,000	39	180,000	404	6,000	13		
Skates.....	12,000	29	78,000	173	4,000	9		
Soles.....					400	12		
Total.....	917,034	10,131	2,109,129	33,143	830,750	13,432	58,875	1,475

Species.	Pacific.		Pierce.		San Juan.		Skagit.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Grayfish.....			1,279,334	\$2,879	380,000	\$854		
Halbut.....					100	10		
"Lingcod".....							500	\$12
Rockfishes.....					2,000	70	1,000	40
Salmon:								
Chinook.....	95,050	\$4,808	159,620	7,240	20,270	510	127,413	3,186
Humpback.....			9,000	113	1,500	20	10,350	129
Silver.....	590,300	12,617	575,880	14,397	101,980	2,650	662,762	16,569
Sharks.....			60,000	135	8,000	17		
Skates.....			40,000	90	8,000	19		
Steelhead trout.....	3,500	175						
Total.....	688,850	17,600	2,123,834	24,854	521,850	4,150	802,025	19,936

Species.	Skamania.		Snohomish.		Whatecom.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Cod.....							300	\$9
Flounders.....							600	34
Grayfish.....							3,933,996	8,847
Halbut.....							69,100	3,335
"Lingcod".....							4,250	122
Rockfishes.....							66,450	1,742
Salmon:								
Blueback or sockeye.....							117	9
Chinook.....			68,291	\$1,782	82,215	\$2,055	1,228,117	36,448
Chum.....							15,500	155
Humpback.....			4,950	62	6,750	84	89,350	1,107
Silver.....			325,134	8,243	431,910	10,798	6,221,817	153,456
Sharks.....							318,000	708
Skates.....							174,000	392
Soles.....							400	12
Steelhead trout.....							3,500	175
Sturgeon.....	500	\$30					1,700	120
Total.....	500	30	398,375	10,087	520,875	12,937	12,127,197	206,871

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF WASHINGTON IN 1915,
COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY TONGS, RAKES, ETC.

Species.	Clallam.		Grays Harbor.		Island.		Jefferson.		King.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Hard.....	2,520	\$190			552	\$45	17,944	\$1,269	864	
Razor.....			297,430	\$37,736						
Oysters: Eastern, market.....			875	525			5,250	3,750		
Total....	2,520	190	298,305	38,261	552	45	23,194	5,019	864	

Species.	Kitsap.		Mason.		Pacific.		Pierce.		San Juan.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Hard.....	35,760	\$2,371	61,000	\$4,111			5,680	\$125	4,480	
Soft.....					1,200	\$150				
Razor.....					75,320	18,710				
Oysters:										
Eastern, market.....			5,250	2,250	179,228	91,954				
Native.....			38,654	22,035	9,709	4,755	4,200	1,725		
Seed.....			8,680	2,530	12,201	5,229	133	47		
Total....	35,760	2,371	116,584	30,926	277,658	120,798	10,013	2,197	4,480	

Species.	Skagit.		Snohomish.		Thurston.		Whatcom.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Hard.....	176	\$25	1,760	\$242	40,000	\$2,743	2,008	\$170	175,444	\$12,200
Soft.....									1,200	
Razor.....									372,750	56,000
Oyster:										
Eastern, market.....					14,091	9,394			204,694	107,000
Native.....	560	290			394,296	219,818			447,419	248,000
Seed.....					3,794	813			24,808	8,000
Mussels.....					700	83			700	
Total....	736	315	1,760	242	452,881	232,851	2,008	170	1,227,315	433,000

NOTES ON SPECIES.

Halibut.—Halibut is the most valuable species taken in the fisheries of Washington. The value of the catch in 1915 was nearly three times as great as that of chinook salmon, the next species in importance. The total production was 40,590,705 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$2,041,279, as compared with 15,897,150 pounds, valued at \$458,375, in 1904. The halibut were all taken with lines, and all but 69,100 pounds were taken in the vessel fisheries. Halibut on the Pacific coast average smaller in size than on the Atlantic coast.

The halibut vessel fishery on the Pacific coast really began when the schooners *Oscar and Hattie* and *Mollie Adams*, from Massachusetts, rounded Cape Horn and reached Puget Sound in 1888. The first fishing by these vessels was done during the summer and fall of that year, and the trips would have been very successful had it not been for the high price of ice. The total catch of the two vessels for the season amounted to 570,000 pounds of fresh and salted halibut valued at \$18,400. Some difficulty was at first experienced in freezing and getting the fish to the Atlantic coast markets in good condition but with the introduction of refrigerator cars no further difficulty has

been encountered, and the shipments have steadily increased. The halibut fleet has increased from the 2 sail vessels just mentioned, in 1888, to a fleet of 97 vessels in 1915, most of them hailing from Seattle. While sail vessels were at first employed in the fishery, in 1915, with the exception of 5 steamers the halibut fleet consisted entirely of gasoline vessels, ranging in size from a few boats under 5 net tons to one of 115 net tons, and were usually owned by corporations. The crews vary from 5 to 19 men on the gasoline boats and from 37 to 44 men on the steamers. Some of the smaller boats do not carry any dories, the fishing being done from the deck. A large majority of the vessels are engaged exclusively in the halibut fishery, but a few discontinue purse seining at times to catch halibut. The number of dories carried varies from 2 on the small gasoline vessels to 12 on the larger steamers. The engineer, cook, and deck hands of a halibut vessel very seldom do any fishing.

Halibut are caught exclusively on trawl lines. The amount of gear used to a vessel ranges from 2 to 8 skates, a skate having a uniform length of 220 hooks placed 9 feet apart. There are ordinarily 7 lines, each 50 fathoms in length, to a skate. The lines are always set with the tide and wind. The men usually start out at about daybreak, and sometimes lines are set as late as 5 p. m. The gear is allowed to remain out about an hour before fishing is begun. From three to four hours are required to lift and fish a gear, the time varying according to amount set. The baiting is done on the fishing grounds just before setting out the lines. From the latter part of November to the last of January torches are used early in the morning and in the evening while fishing. The hooks commonly used are the Arthur James and Mustad hooks, Nos. 6283 and 6284, and are seized on the line with No. 12 linen twine.

Herring is the principal bait used; salmon are also used, but only in small quantities. Large numbers of herring from Puget Sound are utilized, but the main supply comes from Alaska, where many fishermen are occupied exclusively in catching bait for halibut vessels. In starting on a halibut trip it is customary to take 10 barrels of bait to each dory. A steamer will sometimes take as much as 200 barrels of herring on a trip. Bait is taken from Seattle only when going on a short trip. The herring bait is always used fresh, and in 1915 the cost was about \$2 per barrel of 200 pounds. The price was about the same in Alaska.

In the early days of the fishery halibut were taken almost exclusively in the vicinity of Cape Flattery, but now the vessels go from 150 to 1,500 miles from Seattle, the nearest fishing bank being the one off Cape Flattery and the most distant one the Portlock Bank. The average length of a trip is 15 days, but some trips to nearby banks are made in 7 or 8 days. Besides the halibut banks already named, Hecate Straits and Yakitat Bank may be mentioned. The most prolific of these is Hecate Straits, 350 to 500 miles from Seattle. Very few vessels from Seattle go farther north than these grounds. While in that region the most convenient place for rebaiting is at Prince Rupert, Canada. In recent years, under an order in council passed at Ottawa, United States vessels can buy bait only upon condition that the catch is landed at Prince Rupert. This has had a depressing effect upon the halibut trade of Seattle, resulting in some of the larger wholesale firms moving to Prince Rupert.

Halibut are prepared for market by eviscerating and filling cavity with ice. They are then covered with ice and kept in pens the hold of the vessel to prevent them from sliding around. The heads of the fish are cut off upon the arrival of the vessel at the dock.

The fishery is followed throughout the entire year except when vessel is laid up for repairs. Owing to the long distance traveled and the rough weather often encountered, halibut fishing constitutes a dangerous occupation, some men being lost every year. In 1915, 11 men were lost.

In the early days of the halibut fishery the local demand was light, a vessel load of 20,000 pounds being sufficient to supply it. In addition to halibut, the vessels also bring in small quantities of sablefish, the total quantity in 1915 amounting to 575,810 pounds, valued at \$13,782. This species is one of the most palatable fish found on the Pacific coast, or elsewhere. For some unaccountable reason it has not been utilized to any great extent, but the indications now are that increasing quantities will be brought in annually.

Salmon.—The total catch of all species of salmon, including steelhead trout, in 1915 amounted to 91,130,492 pounds, valued at \$2,330,474. The catch of the different species in the order of their importance was as follows: Chinook, 18,188,160 pounds, valued at \$699,771; silver, 18,630,302 pounds, valued at \$543,241; humpbacks, 29,998,291 pounds, valued at \$367,521; blueback or sockeye, 5,043,300 pounds, valued at \$345,810; chum, 17,156,244 pounds, valued at \$282,842; and steelhead, 2,114,141 pounds, valued at \$91,389. The greater part of the catch was utilized in canning. Large quantities were also used for freezing, smoking, salting, and mild curing. From the above, it will be seen that the fishermen received the following average prices per pound for the different species: Bluebacks, $6\frac{4}{5}$ cents; steelhead trout, $4\frac{3}{10}$ cents; chinook, $3\frac{4}{5}$ cents; silver, $2\frac{9}{10}$ cents; chum, $1\frac{3}{5}$ cents; and humpbacks, $1\frac{1}{5}$ cents.

Chinook.—Chinook salmon are taken in every county of the State having fisheries, but Pacific County, with a catch of 4,371,135 pounds, is far in the lead. The greater part of the catch is taken in the Columbia River. The pound-net fisheries at Chinook and gill-net fisheries at Ilwaco contribute a large part of the catch. Wahkiakum County, situated entirely on the Columbia River, ranks next to Pacific County, with a catch of 2,600,571 pounds. There are several very important fishing points in this county, but Cathlamet, with its valuable pound-net and gill-net fisheries, is the leading one. Whatcom and Skagit Counties, both on Puget Sound, also furnish large catches of chinook, pound nets being the principal apparatus used for capture. Cowlitz County, on the Columbia River, and King County, on Puget Sound, are also deserving of mention for their output of chinook. This species is taken commercially as far from the coast as in the Snake River at Clarkston, Wash., opposite Lewiston, Idaho. It is an important item in the seine catch of that vicinity.

Chinook are found during the entire year in Washington, but the best catches are made between May 1 and September 15. Chinook average in size from 20 to 25 pounds, but some weighing 100 pounds have been taken. The size varies with the apparatus used. The average size of those taken in gill nets is probably less than that taken with some of the other apparatus, as a gill net with an ext

mesh, say from $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches, is necessary for the larger chinook, and comparatively few fishermen have these extra nets. Fishermen sometimes call the chinook "springs" until they are ready to spawn; after that they turn dark in color and are called "jacks." Large numbers of chinook are caught by trolling, but in 1915 the silver salmon replaced that species in importance. While large quantities of chinook are smoked, mild cured, and frozen, more than one-half of the entire catch is utilized for canning. There has been an increase in the output of this species since 1904 of 2,976,377 pounds, but a decrease in value of \$1,784.

Silver salmon.—Silver salmon are taken quite generally throughout the waters of the entire State, Columbia and Garfield Counties on the Snake River alone failing to report any catch. The total output of Puget Sound was 14,753,946 pounds, as compared with 1,871,673 pounds credited to the Columbia River. A small quantity was taken commercially in the Snake River as far up as Clarkston, Wash. More than two-thirds of the total output of the State was utilized for canning. Large quantities were also salted and frozen. Pound nets and seines are the most important forms of apparatus used in taking silver salmon, two-thirds of the catch being taken by this means. The greater part of the remainder were taken in gill nets. Silver salmon follow bluebacks and run mainly from September 1 to the end of the year, but are scarce in December. They are of a more uniform weight than chinook, an average for the entire State being from 6 to 8 pounds, though some weighing 30 pounds have been taken. The output for 1915 as compared with that for 1904 shows a decline of 7,390,885 pounds and an increase of \$40,220 in value.

Humpback.—Humpback salmon are important only on account of the large catches made, as the average price in 1915, as already shown, was only $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound. The total output was nearly one-third of that of all species of salmon combined. In 1915 this species constituted about one-half of the purse-seine catch, which is the most important apparatus used in their capture. Practically the entire catch is taken in the Puget Sound region and is utilized almost exclusively for canning. The average weight of the humpback is about 4 pounds. They are taken mainly in the summer and fall and appear in increased numbers every two years.

Blueback or sockeye.—This is the most valuable of all the salmon, as the average price, $6\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound, paid in 1915, indicates. By reason of the bright-red color of the meat and its rich flavor it is the most highly prized of the salmon for canning. More than one-half the catch was taken in the Puget Sound region, but the Quinault River in Grays Harbor County contributed most of the remainder. The blueback run extends from July 15 to the latter part of August. During this time they are being followed by purse-seiners through the Strait of Juan de Fuca to the south side of San Juan County and hence up the Rosario Strait northward to the Canadian line. The blueback is termed a Canadian fish by reason of being taken by American fishermen on its way to its spawning grounds in the Fraser River, Canada. Bluebacks sometimes reach a weight of 12 pounds, but the average weight is about 5 pounds. Heavy runs of this species occur periodically every four years, the last one being in 1913. It will thus be seen that 1915 would naturally be a slack year. The years of these large runs are called "big years." As compared with

1904, the canvass for 1915 shows a decline in the output of this species of 6,464,036 pounds in quantity and \$181,678 in value.

Chum.—Next to the humpback, this species commands the lowest price of any of the salmon. The average price per pound in 1915 was 1½ cents. They are taken mostly in the Puget Sound region, purse seines being the chief means of capture, though large quantities are also taken with gill nets and pound nets. The run begins about September 20 and continues until the end of the year. Most of the catch is utilized for canning, but considerable quantities are sold fresh. The average weight of the chum salmon is about 8 pounds, though some weighing as much as 12 pounds have been taken. There has been an increase in this species since 1904 of 3,504,056 pounds, valued at \$151,402.

Steelhead trout.—This species is taken very generally in the waters of Washington but is much more plentiful in the Columbia River than more than one-half of the State's entire catch being credited to that river. More than one-half of the catch was taken in pound nets, most of the remainder in gill nets. This fish is found in the Snake River as far up as Clarkston, Wash., and constitutes the most important part of the catch at that locality. It is more plentiful during the winter and until March 15, which accounts in a measure for the good price received. It is said to be not so attractive for eating during part of the spring and summer seasons. The skin then is a dark color, though the flesh is white. It is also quite thin at this time following the spawning season. In 1915 the fishermen received an average about 4⅓ cents per pound. Only a small proportion of the catch is used for canning, as the steelheads are taken in large quantities when the canneries are closed. Some are frozen, but the demand for the fresh fish usually equals the supply. Steelhead, like chinook salmon, vary much in weight, but an average would be about 12 pounds, though some reach a weight of as much as 45 pounds. There has been a fair increase, both in pounds and value, of this species since the last canvass for 1904.

Cod.—Eight schooners owned in Washington, with a combined crew of 268 men and 156 dories, made their annual trip to Alaska waters in 1915 to prosecute the cod fishery. These vessels ranged from 138 to 413 tons net tonnage. The result of the trip was 5,498,000 pounds of salt cod, valued at \$180,934, and 30,000 pounds of cod tongues, valued at \$2,090. The round weight of the fish was 745,710 pounds. Four of these schooners were from King and Jefferson counties, and two from Skagit Counties. The catch, which was taken entirely by hand lines, was dry-salted in Alaska and taken to Seattle and Anacortes, the haling places of the vessels, where the fish were salted and otherwise prepared for market.

The vessels usually leave their home ports about the middle of March, and after three weeks sailing arrive in the neighborhood of the Shumagin Islands, in the North Pacific. They are then approximately 1,553 nautical miles from Seattle. As the fishing is followed mostly during the summer season, they have the advantage of 16 hours of daylight. The period of darkness during the fishing season rarely exceeds four hours, and is even less during June and July. Fishing with trawl lines for cod has been followed to some extent in the past, but very seldom now. The fishermen seem to prefer

of hand lines. The catch of cod has more than doubled, and the value nearly trebled since 1904.

Smelt.—Smelt are taken in most of the counties bordering on Puget Sound, but the fishing is usually incidental to the salmon fisheries of this region. The fishing season is from August 1 to April 30; during May, June, and July the season is closed. Until recent years the fishing season extended throughout the entire year. Short seines are used, the length ranging from 80 to 100 yards on an average and the depth from 200 to 400 meshes. The bunt is 25 yards long and is of No. 9 thread cotton twine with 1-inch mesh, while the wings are of No. 10 thread twine with 1½-inch mesh. A seine is usually fished by two men.

Under smelt in this report are included eulachon, or candlefish, which are usually taken in the Cowlitz River near Kelso. In 1915, however, that river was so muddy that they continued up the Columbia to the Lewis River, where practically the entire catch was made. The fishing season is from January 1 to April 1, and they are taken in such large quantities that they soon glut the market. The price usually varies from \$5 a box of 50 pounds, early in the season, to 10 cents a box after the season is well advanced. The output goes largely to Portland. Dip nets are the only form of apparatus used in the fishery. Since 1904 there has been an increase in the catch of 788,049 pounds, but there has been a decrease of \$1,570 in value.

Grayfish.—This species in 1915 was used exclusively in the manufacture of fertilizer and oil. The total output used for this purpose amounted to 7,093,996 pounds, valued at \$15,959. This is a new industry, as no grayfish were reported in the last canvass of this region by the Bureau covering the year 1904. They were taken mainly with seines and set lines, and often by men not regularly engaged in fishing.

Herring.—Herring are used almost exclusively for halibut bait. Practically the entire catch is taken in haul seines, principally in the vessel fisheries. Many purse-seine fishermen also have short-haul seines, which they use whenever the opportunity offers for making a good haul of herring. Some are sold to the halibut vessels direct and the remainder to dealers, mainly in Seattle, who freeze them for use later in the season. The increase in the herring output from 31,750 pounds, valued at \$3,155 in 1904, to 2,129,149 pounds, valued at \$9,655 in 1915, is due to the growth of the halibut fishery.

Sturgeon.—Sturgeon are found in small quantities in most of the waters of the State but are more frequent in the Columbia River. Pacific County, on the latter stream, with a catch of 17,100 pounds, valued at \$784, and 300 pounds of caviar, valued at \$75, leads all other counties in this fishery. This species, as in eastern waters, shows quite a marked decline. The total catch for Washington in 1915 amounted to 43,656 pounds, valued at \$2,151, as compared with 125,127 pounds, valued at \$4,050, in 1904.

Rockfishes.—Puget Sound is the northern limit for the black rockfish, the most important catches being made by Indians fishing with hand lines in the vicinity of Neah Bay. Considerable quantities are also taken in that region by troll fishermen, and small quantities with set lines in various localities. Red rockfish are not taken com-

mercially as far north as Washington. The total catch of rockfish for the State in 1915 was 101,351 pounds, valued at \$2,995, as compared with 82,700 pounds, valued at \$3,498, in 1904.

Sole.—Sole are found in only small quantities as far north as Washington. Practically the entire catch was made with beam trawls, a few men in Kitsap County making a special fishery of this species. This species is taken commercially in only four counties of the State, all on Puget Sound. The catch increased from 9,000 pounds, valued at \$180, in 1904, to 68,062 pounds, valued at \$1,951, in 1915.

Carp.—No commercial fishing for carp is followed in any of the streams of Washington, except the Columbia River, and in only one locality on that river. The total output in 1915 amounted to 200,000 pounds, valued at \$4,000, which were shipped mainly to Seattle and Portland. Some were sent as far east as Butte, Mont. It is likely that the output could be increased were the markets to justify it.

Clams.—There has been quite a decline in the output of hard clams in Washington since 1904. The catch in 1915 was 21,968 bushels, valued at \$12,191, as compared with 96,821 bushels, valued at \$54,512 in 1904. The counties leading in the production of hard clams are, in the order of their importance, Mason, Thurston, Kitsap and Jefferson. Several other counties produced small quantities. Olympia is the center of the hard-clam industry of the State. The hard clams are packed there in hermetically sealed cans of many sizes, from 1 pint to 5 gallons and shipped as far east as Chicago. They are always shipped raw. The output of soft clams in the State in 1915 was insignificant. In the report for 1904 razor clams were tabulated with the soft clams, but in this report they are separated.

The output of razor clams in 1915 was 37,275 bushels, valued at \$56,446. While the returns for 1915 show a substantial increase compared with 1904, it is likely that the industry has been overworked, as some firms have dismantled their canneries and moved the machinery to Alaska for operation there.

Razor clams are found exclusively along the ocean beach of Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties. In Oregon they are found for only a short distance along the ocean beach from the mouth of the Columbia River south. They are taken between tides at extreme low water, the width of the beach on which they are taken being about 50 yards. The fishing can be done only on "minus" tides; that is, tides running below mean low water. Considerable skill and dexterity are required in capturing them, as they are very quick in their movements. The first effort with the shovel to catch one is not successful, and the chances of getting it at that time are gone. The method followed is to insert the shovel quickly in the sand below the clam and make a quick upward movement, the fisherman placing his hand under the shovel to catch the clam in its efforts to retreat. The legal season for taking razor clams is from September 1 to May 31, the remainder of the year constituting a closed season except for family use. But it is not always possible during the open season to catch them, the particular stages of the tide when they can be taken occurring only at certain intervals.

A brief description of canning razor clams follows: The clams are first put in a hot bath to loosen the shells. After going through this bath, the shells are removed either by hand or by a shelling machine consisting of an endless chain or pulley. Both methods are for

ed. The shells being removed, the clams then go to women who remove the intestines, after which they are sent to the chopper. From the chopper they are fed into the cans, and the latter are sent to the sealing machines and thence to the retort, which completes the operation, except labeling. The approximate time the cans are in the retort varies from 45 minutes to 2 hours and 20 minutes, according to the temperature. The first clam cannery in Washington was established in Seattle in 1875, and had a capacity of two hundred thousand cans a day.

Oysters, native and eastern.—The total production of oysters in Washington in 1915 amounted to 64,342 bushels of native oysters, valued at \$250,298, and 37,859 bushels of eastern oysters, valued at \$140,028. This indicates an average price per bushel of \$3.89 for native and \$3.69 for eastern oysters. Comparing the production of native oysters in 1915 with that of 1904, we find a loss of 58 per cent in quantity but only 10 per cent in value. The eastern oysters during the same period show a decrease of less than 2 per cent in quantity and an increase of 14 per cent in value. An illustration of the decrease in the output of native oysters is shown in Pacific county. In 1904 the production in that county amounted to 60,000 bushels, while in 1915 it had dwindled to 1,412 bushels. This has contributed to increasing the price of native oysters along the entire Pacific coast.

Olympia is the center of the native oyster industry of the State, and Shelton, in Mason County, also has a thriving oyster industry. Many of the inlets near these two towns are utilized for oyster-planting purposes. More native oysters are produced in the vicinity of these two towns than in all the remaining towns of the Pacific coast combined. Conditions seem well adapted here to their cultivation. Very few eastern oysters are handled at these places. The oyster season of this region in 1915 suffered a handicap by reason of a freeze occurring toward the end of the season, which killed large numbers of oysters. In the earlier days of the industry the grounds were always bare at low water, and many oysters died during the cold weather. To prevent this, dykes were built to hold the water and lessen the exposure of the oysters to the weather. Another and probably the main reason for building the dykes, however, was to establish a seed-producing area, as the public reserves had then become very much depleted, and it was difficult to secure seed with which to stock the grounds.

It is said that the first attempt at native-oyster cultivation in the vicinity of Olympia was about 1880, and the business has been continued ever since. The supply does not meet the demand, and for this reason the oysters are often sold before reaching maturity. Another probable reason, however, for early marketing is to avoid the danger of freezing when the tide is out. The dykes have to a considerable extent lessened this danger. Shells have been planted within the dykes for the collection of spat and also to prevent the oysters settling in the mud.

The average oyster season is from early in September to early in May. Some of the oysters are shipped in the shell, but a majority are shucked and shipped in cans of various sizes, holding from 1 pint to 5 gallons. The cans are hermetically sealed, but the oysters are not cooked. Shipments are made as far east as Chicago. It is likely

that about one-half the output goes out of the State, mostly California, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Montana, and some to Brit Columbia. As is well known, this native oyster is very much smaller than the eastern one.

The eastern oyster is produced in several counties of the State from Samish Bay, in Skagit County, to Willapa Harbor, in Pacific County, but 84 per cent of the output is from the latter water. Shoalwater Bay, an arm of Willapa Harbor, is especially suitable for the culture of the eastern oyster, and it is said that so far as known the southern part of this bay is the only place on the Pacific coast where the eastern oyster will propagate and successfully develop. The most important oyster centers in this region are Nahcotta, Tokeland, South Bend, and Bay Center. Little attention is paid now to the native oyster at these localities as compared with times past. It is authoritatively stated that the first eastern oyster was brought to Willapa Harbor for planting in 1894. The shipment was made by J. & J. W. Ellsworth Co., of New York, under the direction of the U. S. Fish Commission. Although conditions seemed favorable for the continued planting of eastern oysters in this region, practically nothing more was done for several years, due largely to the freight rates, which were almost prohibitory. About the year 1900 the business took on new life and continued to grow until 1907, when it slacked up from lack of demand. Little planting was done during the following years until the spring of 1912, when six carloads of seed oysters were brought from the east and planted. Allowing the usual time for maturing, these oysters were probably marketed in 1914 and 1915. The planters seem to prefer "set" for planting, as they can get more out of a bushel and they develop into a better oyster than older stock. The demand for eastern oysters is now so great that they are rarely left on the beds after reaching 3 years of age. The high freight rates and heavy mortality contribute largely to the high price of these oysters. Some Japanese oysters have been planted in Willapa Harbor, but they did not meet with sufficient success to favor to justify further planting.

The oyster grounds occupied by planters in Washington have been purchased and deeded by the State to the owners. This deed holds good only so long as the land is devoted to oyster culture.

Seed oysters.—During the year 1915, 3,544 bushels of seed oysters, with an estimated value of \$8,619, were taken by planters from State reserves. The reserves are tidewater grounds owned by the State, certain portions of which are opened up to planters each year between April 1 and June 15 for taking seed stock. Each planter is allowed 500 sacks of 120 pounds each for every acre prepared by him for seeding, and no seed stock can be sold.

Crabs.—Crabs are taken entirely with hoop nets and pots, the total catch with both forms of apparatus in 1915 amounting to 1,734,401 pounds, having a value to the fishermen of \$54,526, showing an increase since 1904 of 174 per cent in quantity, and 102 per cent in value. All but 92,231 pounds, valued at \$3,104, were taken in the shore fisheries. Crabs are taken commercially in almost all of the counties bordering on Puget Sound and in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties bordering on the ocean. In the two last-named counties the fishing is followed almost entirely in the ocean. The most important coast centers in the State are Bay Center, Toke,

and, and South Bend, in Pacific County; Westport, in Grays Harbor County; Utsaladdy, in Island County, and Dungeness, in Clallam County.

Shrimp.—The total catch of shrimp in 1915 amounted to 386,200 pounds, valued at \$18,719, taken entirely with beam trawls. Nearly three-fourths were taken in the vessels fisheries and the remainder in the shore fisheries. They were taken in all parts of Puget Sound, but the greater part of the shrimp fleet was owned and operated from Olympia and Tacoma and vicinities. An important industry in Olympia is the picking out and shipment of shrimp meat.

Whales.—The whaling industry of Washington, aside from some work done in Bering Sea by a coasting steamer owned in Seattle, was confined entirely to one locality in Pacific County. Three steamers are employed from the latter place and a plant is located here for the manufacture of fertilizer and oil from the whales.

These steamers go from 20 to 150 miles from port in search of whales. Four species of whales are taken; finbacks, sperm, humpbacks, and sulphur-bottom. In 1915, 252 humpbacks, 66 finbacks, 5 sperm, and 1 sulphur-bottom were taken. Some whalebone was taken by the whaling steamer out of Seattle, working in Bering Sea, but that taken from the whales captured by the steamers from Pacific County was not of sufficient length to give it any commercial value.

Practically every part of the whales taken by the Pacific County steamers was utilized, except the water extracted from them. The flesh, blood, and bones contributed to the manufacture of fertilizer. As soon as the whale is brought in, unless it be at night, the blubber is stripped off and the meat cut into chunks of about 10 pounds each. The bone is then chopped up and put into tanks, after which the cooking process begins. The meat is put into vats holding 6 tons each, where it is boiled until thoroughly cooked, the oil being extracted while cooking by dipping it off by hand with long-handled dippers. This applies to oils Nos. 2 and 3, known as whale oil. The meat is then put into a press and the residue of oil extracted, after which it passes through a drier and comes out as dry scrap, in which shape it is sold; as it contains 15 per cent of ammonia it is considered a high-grade material for fertilizer.

After stripping off the blubber it is passed through a slicer into boiling tanks, having a capacity of 20 tons each, where it is cooked in the same manner as the meat. After cooking, it is allowed to stand until the following day, when the oil is run off into oil coolers or collectors, when it is ready for market. Practically all of the oil from the blubber is No. 1. The different kinds, or grades of oil are all manufactured in exactly the same manner, the difference in grades being determined by the colors. No. 1 is white, No. 2 is dark straw color, No. 3 is still darker, and No. 4 is almost black. The fresher the whale, or the more quickly it is utilized after killing, the better the oil secured. The latter gets dark by holding the whale.

Most of the oil is sold to soap manufacturers, one large firm in the Middle West getting the greater part of it. It is all shipped in tank cars. The best grade is an excellent machine oil.

In the case of the sperm whale the oil is extracted by tapping the head of the whale and letting the oil run out into a vat.

The bone of the whale is boiled in the same manner as the oil. After the oil is extracted, the bone is taken out into an open vat and allowed to remain there for several months, or until the end of the season, in October, when it is ground and put through a mill and then through a mill, when it is ready for market as bone meal. This is considered a good fertilizer without other ingredients and is so sold. An analysis has shown that it contains 23.79 per cent phosphoric acid, which places it among the high-grade fertilizers.

Ratfish.—This fish is quite common along the Pacific coast, but as yet no commercial use has been made of it. It is often found by men fishing for grayfish. The liver of this fish is said to furnish oil better even than cod-liver oil for tuberculosis and kindred ailments, and is quite extensively used in the Scandinavian countries and in Germany.

WHOLESALE FRESH-FISH TRADE.

The most important wholesale firms of the State, aside from canneries, are located at Seattle, though a considerable fresh-fish trade is done at Tacoma and Everett, especially the former city. In 1915 there were 14 firms in the State handling fresh fishery products only. The value of these establishments was \$153,075, the capital invested was \$26,100, the number of persons engaged 79, and the wages paid amounted to \$50,350. Three of these firms which handled crabs, cooked a few of the crabs before shipping.

FISHERY PRODUCTS PREPARED, EXCLUSIVE OF CANNING.

The total amount of fish frozen in the State was 8,811,000 pounds, valued at \$371,854. This includes fish frozen by refrigeration plants for wholesale dealers. The most important species frozen based on their value, were halibut, chum, silver, and chinook salmon, and herring, the latter being utilized mostly for halibut bait. Sablefish and smelt were also frozen in considerable quantities.

The mild-cured trade in Washington was confined to chinook and chum salmon, divided as follows: 1,208,800 pounds of chinook salmon, valued at \$130,052, and 83,000 pounds of chum salmon, valued at \$2,060. The mild curing was all done at Seattle, Tacoma, and Altona, Wash.

The wholesale salting trade in 1915 amounted to 1,781,000 pounds, valued at \$106,493, most of it being silver salmon. Considerable quantities of halibut and sablefish and small quantities of several other species were also salted. Seattle and Tacoma are the headquarters for the salting trade.

The smoking of fish was quite an important industry in the State. The total quantity smoked in 1915 was 2,058,210 pounds, having a value of \$193,301. The principal smoking centers are Seattle, Tacoma, Everett, and Bellingham. Chinook salmon and sablefish were the most valuable smoked fish, though halibut, cod, chinook salmon, and herring also were smoked in considerable quantities.

The following is a brief description of a smokehouse and method of smoking: A smokehouse is approximately 15 by 30 feet and 3 stories

high from the basement to the roof. A square or round building is preferable, so as to insure a more even distribution of heat and smoke. The fire is maintained in the center of the building, in the basement or on the first floor. Each fish is hung on three sticks, or on metallic hangers, depending upon the size to be smoked. Small fish are placed on sticks and large ones on metallic hangers. They are suspended from the second and third floor levels. A slow fire is maintained from four to seven days, depending upon the kind of fish to be smoked. Alder wood and hardwood sawdust are used entirely. Sawdust is used to make a smoldering fire with a great deal of smoke but little heat. The kippering process differs from the regular smoking process only in that the fish are placed on trays similar to a broiler in the oven at home, and the alder-wood fire is maintained up to the neighborhood of 300° F. for two hours. By this time the fish is thoroughly cooked from the heat and cured by the smoke. It is then ready to eat.

Among the miscellaneous fishery products prepared were 1,927 tons of fertilizer from fish and fish offal, valued at \$77,560; 171,245 gallons of oil, valued at \$50,555; 41,038 gallons of glue, valued at \$36,200; 212 tons of poultry feed, valued at \$10,370, from the same source; 133,689 pounds of shrimp meat, valued at \$38,303; 5,000 pounds of potash, valued at \$1,125, from kelp; and 150 tons of ground clam shells, valued at \$1,500. The oil mentioned above is used largely for tanning leather, while some made from grayfish livers is used in the manufacture of fine grades of soap. It is also said to be good for medicinal purposes, but no such trade has yet been established.

Statistics for products prepared, exclusive of canning, in Washington in 1915 are shown in table, page 54.

CANNING INDUSTRY.

In 1915 there were in Washington 76 canneries, distributed by districts as follows: Forty-nine, valued at \$4,541,103, in the Puget Sound region; 15, valued at \$318,685, in the Grays Harbor district; 7, valued at \$164,900, in the Willapa Harbor district; and 5, valued at \$293,329, on the Columbia River. A total of \$424,000 working cash capital was employed, 4,525 persons were engaged, and \$1,279,787 were paid in wages. Of these canneries all but a few were engaged in canning salmon. The remainder handled clams, clam juice, oysters not cooked, oyster cocktails not cooked, and shrimp cocktails. Some of the salmon canneries included in their output a few cases of canned shad, shad roe, clams, and clam juice. The total pack of salmon in the State was as follows: 590,378 cases of humpback, valued at \$1,772,565; 178,464 cases of chinook, valued at \$1,400,220; 450,409 cases of chum, valued at \$1,219,061; 206,508 cases of silver, valued at \$1,036,859; 91,720 cases of blueback, valued at \$932,394; and 10,270 cases of steelhead trout, valued at \$64,860. The other canned products consisted of 49,337 cases of clams, valued at \$211,008; 270 cases of clam juice, valued at \$1,050; 7,505 gallons of clams not cooked, valued at \$4,066; 4,944 gallons of clam juice not cooked, valued at \$2,427; and 49,103 gallons of oysters not cooked, valued at \$120,513. A case of salmon represents 48 pounds, but there is no uniform weight to a case of clams. The clams indicated as not cooked

are put up in hermetically sealed cans, which, if stored on ice, keep from one to three weeks and are sometimes shipped as far as Chicago. This applies also to the clam juice and oysters.

As the heaviest runs of salmon in the Puget Sound region occur during the warmer weather, it is difficult to keep the fish in good condition very long, and for this reason it was soon recognized as necessary that the canneries be located as near the salmon grounds as possible. In the early stages of the industry some canning was done at West Seattle, but it was discontinued after the buildings were twice destroyed by fire. The most important salmon-canning centers of Washington now are Anacortes, Blaine, Everett, and Bellingham, all being favorably located to the fishing grounds. Many of the canning companies still maintain offices in Seattle.

In 1915 a company in Whatcom County smoked the salmon before canning. The following is a brief description of the process through which the salmon passed before being canned: The salmon are first placed in a concrete tank, from which they are taken and passed through a machine which cleans and eviscerates them and cuts off their heads and tails. The fish, after being cut into sizes suitable to the size of the can, are taken to the smokehouse, where they are put on trays. Extending lengthwise down the middle of the smokehouse from floor to ceiling are 12 inclosed compartments or chambers, 8 or 12 feet in size. Each of these chambers holds 56 wire trays, 2 by 2 feet in size, divided into groups of 14, placed one above the other. The bottom tray is 27 feet above the fire and 20 feet below the top of the building. That part of the chamber holding the trays is about 12 feet in height. There is a ventilator over each chamber extending through the roof of the building. A draft hole near the bottom of each chamber or floor of the building enters the space where the fire is located. The salmon remain in the chambers about 24 hours or a trifle less. The capacity of this smokehouse is 35,000 pounds. Alder wood was at first used, but it has since been replaced by oak. This building was built only recently, and it is therefore believed to possess the most modern ideas.

An advantage to the dealer in smoking the salmon before canning is that it gives the inferior grades of fish the same color as those of higher grade, such as the blueback. The dealers claim that there is not nearly so much difference in the quality of salmon meat as the color would seem to imply. In proof of this statement it is said that fish brokers have been unable to distinguish between smoked chum and smoked blueback.

EXTENT OF THE CANNING INDUSTRY OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY DISTRICTS.

Items.	Puget Sound.		Columbia River.		Grays Harbor.		Willapa Harbor.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Establishments.....	49	\$4,541,103	5	\$293,329	15	\$318,685	7	\$164,900	76	\$5,318,017
Cash capital.....		279,700		26,000		73,700		44,600		424,000
Persons engaged.....	3,494		209		682		140		4,525	
Wages paid.....		1,042,335		107,290		95,509		34,650		1,279,787
PRODUCTS.^a										
Salmon:										
Chinook—										
1-pound tall.....cases	11,553	54,726	17,697	134,069	2,997	13,585	6,030	36,620	38,277	239,000
1-pound flat.....do	^b 7,104	37,872	55,240	436,004	3,084	11,147	9,723	76,408	75,151	561,431
1-pound oval.....do							192	1,632	192	1,632
½-pound flat.....do	4,999	47,896	47,710	438,461	1,999	16,583	10,135	95,217	64,844	598,157
Blueback or sockeye—										
1-pound tall.....do	579	4,429	550	4,290	968	6,776			2,097	15,495
1-pound flat.....do	8,350	71,542			2,073	16,584	8	64	10,431	88,190
½-pound flat.....do	55,384	594,999	1,267	11,735	22,323	219,795	218	2,180	79,192	828,709
Silver—										
1-pound tall.....do	116,694	551,760	1,985	9,925	9,925	39,947	4,932	19,799	133,536	621,431
1-pound flat.....do	27,884	142,766	200	920	1,693	7,701			29,777	151,387
½-pound flat.....do	38,005	231,539	1,794	12,913	1,779	8,315	1,617	11,274	43,195	264,041
Humpback—										
1-pound tall.....do	551,516	1,608,153			525	1,940			552,041	1,610,093
1-pound flat.....do	^c 11,128	37,243							11,128	37,243
½-pound flat.....do	27,094	124,631			115	598			27,209	125,229
Chum—										
1-pound tall.....do	407,706	1,105,465	9,575	23,956	25,450	66,138	6,243	18,325	448,974	1,213,884
1-pound flat.....do	733	2,345			27	50			760	2,395
½-pound flat.....do	657	2,710			18	72			675	2,782
Shad:										
1-pound tall.....do			1,228	3,684					1,228	3,684
½-pound flat.....do			335	1,882					335	1,882
Shad roe: ½-pound flat.....do			46	460					46	460
Steelhead trout:										
½-pound tall.....do			6,682	39,792			1,698	11,500	8,380	51,292
1-pound flat.....do							500	4,000	500	4,000
½-pound flat.....do			494	3,177			896	6,391	1,390	9,568
Clams:										
No. 1, whole.....do	264	1,046			1,057	4,306			1,321	5,352
No. 1, minced.....do	1,632	6,528			16,375	76,407	2,662	9,180	20,669	92,115
No. 2, whole.....do	2,450	6,615							2,450	6,615
No. 2, minced.....do	4,249	12,322			1,672	12,100	168	504	6,039	24,926
Halves, minced.....do	50	220			18,414	80,747	188	564	18,652	81,531

^a All products except clams and clam juice, which have no uniform weight, represent 48 pounds to the case.

^b Includes 553 cases smoked before canning.

^c Includes 656 cases smoked before canning.

EXTENT OF THE CANNING INDUSTRY OF WASHINGTON IN 1915, BY DISTRICTS—Continued.

Items.	Puget Sound.		Columbia River.		Grays Harbor.		Willapa Harbor.		Total.	
	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Clams—Continued.										
Quarters, minced.....cases					156	\$468			156	\$468
No. 10, whole (not cooked).....gallons	6,012	\$3,506			1,494	500			7,506	4,066
Clam juice:										
No. 1.....cases	30	104							30	104
No. 2.....do	75	187			165	759			240	946
No. 10 (not cooked).....gallons	1,200	400			3,744	2,027			4,944	2,427
Oysters (not cooked).....do	49,103	120,513							49,103	120,513
Oyster cocktails (not cooked).....4-ounce bottles	2,184	212							2,184	212
Shrimp cocktails.....do	2,196	213							2,196	213

FISHERIES OF OREGON.

While not the least of the three States on the Pacific coast in point of area, Oregon presents the shortest water front and ranks third in the extent of its fisheries.

The number of persons employed in the fisheries and fishery industries of Oregon during the year 1915 was 5,900; of these 23 were engaged on fishing vessels of 5 tons net or more; 60 on vessels engaged in transporting fish and fishery products; 4,472 in the shore, or boat, fisheries; and 1,345 on shore, in canneries, fish houses, etc.

The investment in the fishery industries during the year was \$4,064,151, of which \$25,935 was credited to 5 fishing vessels; \$96,034, to 30 transporting vessels; \$582,485 to 1,382 gasoline boats; \$69,805 to 1,264 other small boats of various descriptions; \$757,170, to all apparatus used in the fisheries of the State; \$2,083,913, to shore and accessory property; and \$448,809, to working cash capital.

The products of the fisheries of the State in 1915 amounted to 34,692,863 pounds, valued at \$1,479,021. The various regions contributing to this total are, in the order of their importance, as follows: Columbia River district, 27,879,438 pounds, valued at \$1,271,357; Rogue River, 1,133,331 pounds, valued at \$66,298; Pacific Ocean, 596,059 pounds, valued at \$30,415; Tillamook Bay, 1,191,488 pounds, valued at \$24,516; Nehalem River, 893,630 pounds, valued at \$17,493; Umpqua River, 669,663 pounds, valued at \$12,425; Coquille River, 549,804 pounds, valued at \$10,914; Siletz River, 310,454 pounds, valued at \$9,994; Coos Bay, 348,881 pounds, valued at \$8,411; Nestucca River, 353,059 pounds, valued at \$8,207; Alsea Bay, 391,562 pounds, valued at \$7,346; Yaquina Bay, 169,560 pounds, valued at \$6,071; Siuslaw River, 117,526 pounds, valued at \$2,530; Chetco River, 43,130, pounds, valued at \$2,149; and Necanicum River, 45,278 pounds, valued at \$895.

The Columbia River catch is so far in excess of all the other regions combined as to render it worthy of special mention. The catch in that river in 1915 amounted to 27,879,438 pounds, valued at \$1,271,357. Of this quantity 27,036,808 pounds, valued at \$1,239,001, over 96 per cent of the total, were salmon, and the greater part of these, or 20,454,002 pounds, valued at \$1,091,156, were chinook salmon. The remainder of the salmon catch was blueback, chum, silver, and steelhead. Humpback salmon are rarely seen this far south. Columbia River has what is known as a "spring" run and a "fall" run of salmon, though the interval between the two seasons is very limited, the closed period extending only from August 25 to September 10. The spring run of chinook was better in 1915 than for several years, and the fall run was very good for the first week or two after the opening of the season, but after that it seemed to diminish. The bluebacks, which accompany the spring run of chinooks, were so few in 1915 as to be almost a failure; they seem to have been very scarce for two years. The chum salmon, which run from about the middle of August until late in November, show a fairly good catch for the year under consideration. The silver salmon usually appear about midsummer and continue until some time in November; the catch of silvers was not so good as in past years. The run of steelhead was about normal.

Commercial fishing in this river covers a distance of 200 miles more from the mouth of the river to Celilo Falls, in Wasco County, but the major portion of the work is done within 40 or 50 miles of the mouth and chiefly with gill nets. Important seine fisheries are located on the sand bars near Astoria, these grounds being leased from the Government. Comparatively little pound-net fishing is done on the Oregon side of the river, this method being used principally on the Washington side in a widened portion of the river known as Bakers Bay, located just within the mouth of the river. Fish which are of both the scow and stationary type and are located at various points on the upper river above the mouth of the Willamette River.

Considered as a whole, the 1915 pack was slightly above the normal but the fall pack was light, due to the fact, above stated, that the run of chinook salmon dropped off early.

Considerable quantities of salmon have been mild cured on the coast as well as other rivers of Oregon in the past years, mostly for export to the German trade, but this demand has decreased to such an extent since the beginning of the European war that the output of this product has suffered a marked decline. The loss of the foreign trade, however, has been partly offset by an increased domestic demand, and it is believed that with proper effort this business can be made independent of the export trade.

During the last year or two a very important troll-line fishery has been established by the fishermen of Columbia River. This work is carried on chiefly during the interval between the spring and fall seasons, when gill-net fishing is prohibited, though some trolling is done prior and subsequent to that period. The boats are of an especially good type, propelled by gasoline engines of sufficient power to enable them to go out in very rough seas; the fishing is done in the ocean about 5 or 6 miles from the mouth of Columbia River and sometimes down as far as Tillamook Head. One boat will sometimes fish as many as five to seven lines, fixed on outriggers. The troll-line catches are practically all chinook salmon.

The statistics as to number of persons employed, investment, and products of the fisheries of Oregon in 1915 are given in the table on page 51. The yield of the fisheries of the coastal waters of the State is given in the following table:

YIELD OF THE FISHERIES OF THE COASTAL WATERS OF OREGON IN 1915.

Species.	Columbia River.		Necanicum River.		Nehalem River.		Tillamook Bay.		Nestucca River.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon.....	50,000	\$750								
Blueback.....	337,027	16,848								
Chinook.....	20,454,002	1,091,156			371,024	\$9,212	479,923	\$11,988	161,901	\$4,047
Chum.....	1,454,024	8,391	3,220	\$45	176,330	883	290,230	1,454		
Silver.....	2,500,766	50,248	42,058	850	322,632	6,453	347,514	6,953	174,268	3,485
Head.....	488,625	4,945								
Head trout.....	2,290,989	72,358			23,644	945	5,261	211	16,890	675
urgeon.....	97,785	5,014								
cod.....	22,500	900								
ms, soft.....							16,560	2,285		
bs.....							52,000	1,625		
fish.....	183,720	20,747								
Total.....	27,879,438	1,271,357	45,278	895	893,630	17,493	1,191,488	24,516	353,059	8,207

Species.	Siletz River.		Yaquina Bay.		Alsea Bay.		Siuslaw River.		Umpqua River.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon.....				1,965	\$40					
Blueback.....				10,500	263					
Chinook.....				11,930	360					
Chum.....	167,064	\$8,197	44,328	1,601	206,615	\$4,124	33,180	\$829	112,923	\$2,265
Silver.....	36,720	185			16,225	83			5,130	40
Head.....	106,670	1,612	43,420	1,085	99,960	1,500	83,306	1,670	548,610	10,000
Head trout.....			3,500	175						
urgeon.....					1,200	48	1,040	31	3,000	120
cod.....				330	49	430	64			
ms, soft.....										
bs.....				1,547	725					
fish.....				52,040	1,773	67,132	1,527			
Total.....	310,454	9,994	169,560	6,071	391,562	7,346	117,526	2,530	669,663	12,425

Species.	Coos Bay.		Coquille River.		Rogue River.		Chetco River.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon.....									50,000	\$750
Blueback.....									1,965	40
Chinook.....									10,500	263
Chum.....									11,930	360
Silver.....	132,177	\$3,304	207,138	\$5,467	1,081,457	\$65,001	30,560	\$1,833	337,027	16,848
Head.....									23,482,292	1,209,024
Head trout.....	181,450	3,629	330,046	5,049	51,874	1,297	12,270	306	1,981,879	11,081
urgeon.....									4,844,844	94,137
cod.....									488,625	4,945
ms, soft.....									3,500	175
bs.....									2,365,858	75,231
fish.....	10,914	435	12,620	398			300	10	2,365,858	75,231
urgeon.....									97,785	5,014
cod.....									22,500	900
ms, soft.....	5,140	643							22,460	3,041
bs.....									1,547	725
fish.....	19,200	400							190,372	5,325
Total.....	348,881	8,411	549,804	10,914	1,133,331	66,298	43,130	2,149	34,096,804	1,448,606

FISHERIES BY COUNTIES.

The commercial fisheries of Oregon were prosecuted in 15 counties during the year 1915. This number includes every county on Columbia River from the mouth up to and including Wasco County at Siletz Falls, several counties on Willamette River, a tributary of Columbia River, every county on the coast, and also Josephine County, which, though located inland, has a run of salmon in Rogue River

which passes through the county en route to the ocean. In considering the fisheries of the various counties they will be taken up according to their rank as regards the value of the catch.

Clatsop County.—This county, with its extensive salmon-canning industry, located at Astoria, ranks far above any other in the State. The catch for the year was 22,676,724 pounds, valued at \$1,039,950. The great bulk of this catch was salmon, with chinook far in excess of the others; the catch of chinook was 16,167,867 pounds, valued at \$886,585. Next to the salmon, the most important catch was razor clams, of which 77,200 pounds, valued at \$10,900, were taken on the coast. The fisheries here support five canneries, all located at Astoria, on Columbia River; four of them also canned small quantities of shad and shad roe in 1915.

Several of the firms also froze small quantities of salmon, shad shad roe, and sturgeon. Six clam canneries were operated on the ocean side of this county in 1915, but the pack was not up to normal because the clams seem to have been on the decrease for several years. One of the canneries also packed a very small lot of salmon. Considerable crab fishing has been done from Astoria during the last few years. The greater part of this work is done from January to June, and during the early part of this period it is frequently too rough for the boats to reach the crab-fishing grounds, which are located principally beyond the Columbia River bar at the mouth of the river; they often go as far as 15 to 20 miles when crab fishing. Because of this obstacle greater effort would undoubtedly have been made in this line. The crabs are taken with a sort of dip net or hoop net made of cotton twine, hung on iron hoops, two hoops to each net placed one above the other, about a foot apart; the nets are sunk and buoyed so that they may be located easily.

The most important form of apparatus in Clatsop County is the gill net, the catch of which was 14,607,184 pounds, valued at \$641,040. The great bulk of this was salmon, with small quantities of shad and sturgeon. Seines occupy the next place in point of importance, the catch with these being 6,024,288 pounds, valued at \$302,764. Trawl line and pound-net fisheries also add considerable quantities to the salmon catch of this county.

The investment of Clatsop County was \$2,076,577, an amount greater than that of all the other counties combined.

Columbia County.—This county ranked second in the value of the catch, but the amount invested was less than in some other counties. This is probably due to the fact that some of the other counties have canneries, and these buildings add considerably to the investment while Columbia County has no canneries or fish houses of any kind except a small wholesale fresh-fish house at Rainier. Practically all the fish caught by the fishermen of this county are sold to the canneries at Astoria. The catch amounted to 2,711,569 pounds, valued at \$114,911. The investment for the year was \$176,162, this amount consisting chiefly of the value of gasoline boats and gill nets.

This county adjoins Clatsop County and borders on that part of the Columbia River where the fishing grounds are especially prolific, as in the latter county, owes its importance principally to the gill-net fisheries, the catch by these nets being 2,317,982 pounds, valued at \$83,179. Of this amount 1,835,441 pounds, valued at \$76,115, represent chinook salmon alone, the remainder being made up

her salmon and small quantities of shad and sturgeon. The pound-catch of this county consisted entirely of salmon. The seine-catch ranked next to that of the pound nets and was made up of salmon and carp. The only carp fishery in the State during 1915 was located in this county on Willamette River Slough. The catch of carp amounted to 50,000 pounds, valued at \$750, and a part of it was sent to New York. These fishes are said to be very plentiful in this section, but there is very little demand for them. Some crawfish are also taken from this slough, though this fishery has suffered a decrease during the last year or two.

Curry County.—The total catch of the fisheries of this county during 1915 was 1,086,283 pounds, valued at \$63,035, this being the third county in point of importance. This position is due to the fact that Rogue River, which produces the great bulk of the catch, has both spring and fall run of salmon. Small catches are also taken from the Chetco River, but this stream is comparatively unimportant. Rogue River flows from Crater Lake in the western part of Klamath County, entirely through Jackson and Josephine Counties, and enters Curry County at the northeastern corner, flowing in a southwesterly direction through the center of the county to the ocean, and, with the exception of Columbia River, is the longest stream which we have to consider. Commercial fishing extends from the mouth up to Grants Pass, located in Josephine County. The fishermen on the lower river are handicapped because of the lack of shipping facilities and are compelled to depend entirely on vessels; the two canneries located nearest within the mouth of the river get practically the entire catch of the lower-river fishermen, but those fishing the upper reaches in Josephine County have access to the railroad at Grants Pass and considerable quantities go from that point in the fresh state. The catch of the county consisted entirely of salmon, all of which were taken with gill nets and seines, the gill-net catch being 660,523 pounds, valued at \$38,992, and the seine catch, 425,760 pounds, valued at \$24,043. The Chetco River catch usually goes to a small cannery located in northern California, as this is more accessible than the plants in Oregon. The investment in the fisheries of Curry County during the year was \$111,891. In addition to canned salmon this county produced a small quantity of mild-cured chinook.

Multnomah County.—This county, with a catch of 1,165,488 pounds, valued at \$62,232, ranked fourth in the value of its fisheries and presents a variety of fish exceeded only by Clatsop and Lincoln counties, although it is located a considerable distance up Columbia River. Several fishing vessels operated by a firm located in Portland added a number of species to the list, as cod, halibut, sablefish, and rockfish, all of which were taken by lines. The chief form of apparatus used by the fishermen of this county was the gill net, with a catch of 746,724 pounds, valued at \$36,577, consisting mostly of chinook salmon. The catch of crawfish, amounting to 95,000 pounds, valued at \$10,735, was the next in importance. These fishes were taken in small traps similar in construction to an eelpot. The wheel fisheries of this county have been quite important in past years, though the catch was rather light in 1915; the 18 wheels owned in the county, valued at \$64,800, show a catch of only 161,411 pounds, valued at \$7,543.

The investment during the year was \$870,944; this is exceeded only by Clatsop County, and the large amount is invested chiefly in the buildings used in the wholesale fishery trade, the cannery located on the Willamette River in Portland, and three canneries on the Columbia River side of the county. The amount invested in fishing apparatus is comparatively small. This county has quite important seine fisheries on Columbia River, but the catch in a year under consideration was negligible. One of the canneries on the Columbia packed some shad and shad roe, and some salmon was mild cured, salted, and smoked in Portland.

Tillamook County.—Although this county has three bodies of water in which commercial fisheries are prosecuted, the catch during 1900 was sufficient to give it only fifth place in the value of its fishery products as compared with other counties. The catch amounted to 2,438,177 pounds, valued at \$50,216, and was made up chiefly of chinook salmon, the bulk of which were taken in gill nets. The catch of chum and silver salmon was also very good in this county. Tillamook Bay is the most productive body of water in the county, having a catch of 1,191,488 pounds, valued at \$24,516; this catch consisted of salmon, soft clams, and crabs, the bulk of it being salmon. Two salmon canneries are located at Bay City and one at Tillamook; a small clam cannery has recently been established at the latter place and handles practically all the clams taken at that point. There is also a mild-curing establishment at Bay City. Nehalem River is the second in importance in the county; its catch was entirely salmon and amounted to 893,630 pounds, valued at \$17,492. It is practically all handled at the two canneries on the river at Wheeler and Nehalem. One plant put up a small quantity of mild-cured chinook salmon. The remaining cannery in this county is located on Nestucca River, where the catch is wholly of salmon and amounted to 353,059 pounds, valued at \$8,207, in 1900. The fishing on this, as well as Nehalem River, is all done with gill nets. One of the plants on the Nestucca put up a very small lot of mild-cured chinook salmon.

Although Tillamook County has six salmon canneries and one clam cannery, the investment is comparatively small, because the buildings are inexpensive, the total investment for the year being \$269,938.

Wasco County.—This county, though located a considerable distance up the Columbia River, occupies a prominent position among the fishing counties of the State. It ranked sixth in the value of its fisheries and supports quite an important salmon cannery. The catch amounted to 973,475 pounds, valued at \$44,757, mostly of salmon, with chinooks predominating. Of this catch 838,000 pounds, valued at \$40,871, which is 86 per cent of the total quantity, were taken in fish wheels, 9 of which, valued at \$43,000, were operated by the fishermen of this county. In addition to salmon, fish wheels took a small quantity of sturgeon. The seine fishing in this county is comparatively light and the gill-net fishing is negligible.

As previously stated, commercial fishing on the Oregon side of the Columbia River does not extend above Celilo Falls, which is located in this county. Some of the fish wheels are located here, and the catch is usually very good. A considerable number of salmon are caught by the Indians, who stand on the rocks at the falls and spear

the fish en route up the river for spawning. The Indians become very expert at this work, and many of them secure a sufficient supply of fish to last them through the winter. The fish are hung in the open and cured by the simple process of drying. The preservation of fish thus cured by the Indians is generally assured, and is said to be superior to any dried fish produced by the white man. The greater part of the salmon taken by the fishermen of this county were canned, and a small lot was mild-cured. The investment of the county for the year was \$139,125, the value of the cannery and the value of the wheels making up the major portion of the amount.

Clackamas County.—This county, located on Willamette River, had a catch of 397,398 pounds, valued at \$26,744, during the year 1915. Although it is located quite a distance inland and supports no canneries or wholesale fish houses, it ranked seventh among the fishery counties of the State, which is due to the very extensive run of salmon in Willamette River. The greater part of the salmon are taken with gill nets, but a considerable number are taken by trolling below the falls at Oregon City. This is a comparatively recent industry, having been established only about six years ago. It is said that hundreds of small rowboats may be seen some days during the season, a considerable number of them being sportsmen coming from Portland and other points along the river for a day's outing. The law permits them to take only three fish to a man during one day, and the fish are so numerous that it is very easy to secure this number. The trolling season is in the spring, beginning early in March and continuing until early May, when the gill-net season is on. The catch, however, is negligible prior to April, and the fish do not seem to "strike" well after the first week in May. Practically no fishing is done above the falls, although some fish go over the fishway located there. The line catch is all chinook salmon. Some few silver and steelhead are found in this river in the fall, but only a very small catch of the latter is reported for the year, these being taken in gill nets. The sportsmen sometimes catch a few steelhead by line fishing in the fall. The only other species taken in this county is the crawfish; some of these are taken in Tualatin River, a small stream tributary to the Willamette River. The investment of the county for the year was \$10,456. About 50 per cent of the gill-net catch is taken to Columbia River canneries by run boats, and the remainder goes to the wholesale fish trade in Portland. A considerable part of the line catch also goes to Portland.

Lincoln County.—The commercial fisheries of this county are supported by three waters, Alsea Bay, Siletz River, and Yaquina Bay. The total catch amounted to 931,931 pounds, valued at \$25,496, this value giving it eighth place among the fishing counties of the State. The Alsea Bay catch was 391,562 pounds, valued at \$7,346. The great bulk of this was salmon, taken in gill nets, and practically all handled at the two canneries at Lutgens and Waldport, one of which also packed some of the crabs caught here. The Siletz River catch amounted to 310,454 pounds, valued at \$9,994, and consisted wholly of salmon, the greater part of which was taken with gill nets and a small portion with seines. Practically all of this salmon is handled at the cannery located at Taft, near the mouth of the river. The fisheries of Yaquina Bay region present a greater variety than the

other sections of the county. The total for this region amount to 169,560 pounds, valued at \$6,071, and, in addition to salmon included soft clams and crabs and small quantities of flounder, herring, perch, smelt, and oysters, this being the only place in the State where the last-named five species are taken commercially. The output of oysters, which were all native, market stock, was 221 bushels, with a value of \$725. Attempts have been made to cultivate the eastern oyster in this bay, but the results were rather discouraging. The fishermen of this region are fortunate in having good shipping facilities to Portland and other inland cities, and practically the entire catch is sent out by rail.

This is one of the three counties of the State maintaining fishing vessels, although only two of these were operated in 1915, the catch consisting of halibut and "lingcod." The investment of the county amounted to \$141,553.

Coos County.—The fishery products of this county during 1915 amounted to 936,445 pounds, valued at \$21,408; thus it ranked ninth in the value of the catch. The bulk of this was salmon taken by gill nets, the quantity being 684,439 pounds, valued at \$14,519; 189,000 pounds of salmon, valued at \$3,763, were taken by seines. The fisheries of the county are located on Coos Bay and Coquille River. One salmon cannery is located on the bay at Marshfield, and in addition to the canning, it also prepared a small quantity of cured salmon. Some soft clams and crabs are also taken in this region. Several small boats from Coos Bay were engaged in fishing with trawl lines for halibut, rockfishes, "lingcod," and bass, but this fishery was not extensive. Only gill nets and seines are used on Coquille River, and the catch was wholly salmon, which were packed at the canneries located at Prosper and Bandon, on each place. This region is without railroad service and is therefore handicapped in regard to shipping facilities, depending entirely on fishing vessels. The investment of Coos County during the year 1915 was \$116,227.

Hood River County.—This county is located quite a distance from the Columbia River, between Multnomah and Wasco Counties, and of little importance as a fishing center to the seine fishery located at Cascade Locks. It ranked tenth among the counties in the value of the fisheries for the year; the total catch amounted to 459,046 pounds, valued at \$20,311, all salmon with the exception of 1,500 pounds of sturgeon, valued at \$50. The seine catch amounted to 422,000 pounds, valued at \$18,501, which was nearly 92 per cent of the total catch for the county. Some gill nets are fished in this county, but this apparatus is of minor importance. This county has no canneries or fish houses, and the salmon are sold to canneries located in other counties on the river. The investment of this county for the year 1915 was \$5,070.

Douglas County.—This county, although the sixth largest in the State, has less than 20 miles of coast line, but the largest river in the State, with the exception of Columbia River, is located entirely within its confines. This river, the Umpqua, is formed by the junction of the north and south forks near Roseburg and is the only waterway in the county furnishing commercial fishing. The entire catch of salmon, taken in gill nets, and amounted to 669,663 pounds, val-

at \$12,425. Two salmon canneries were operated on the Umpqua River in 1915, one at Gardiner and the other at Reedsport, and these handled practically all the salmon taken from the river; only a few tierces being mild cured. The investment during the year was \$93,444.

Washington County.—This county ranked twelfth in the value of its fisheries in 1915. The total catch was 48,420 pounds, valued at \$5,474, and consisted entirely of crawfish, all of which were taken in traps fished in Tualatin River, which is a branch of the Willamette River. The traps are very similar to an eelpot; they are made of cotton twine, about 1½-inch mesh, covering a small, round iron frame. The demand for crawfish is said to have decreased considerably since the prohibition law went into effect, as most of them were handled by the saloon trade. The season is from March 1 to November 1, and the best catches are made during June and again in September and October. The crawfish buries itself in the mud during the winter. The investment in this county was only \$640, the least, with one exception, in the State.

Josephine County.—This is the only county in the State not bordering on the productive waters of Columbia River or on the coast that supports commercial fisheries. It owes its place among the fishing counties to the fact that Rogue River passes entirely through it before entering Curry County. The fishing extends up as far as Grants Pass, near the eastern border of Josephine County, and a considerable part of the catch of the county is shipped by rail from that point in the fresh state. The catch was all salmon, amounted to 90,178 pounds, valued at \$5,412, and was all taken in gill nets. The investment was all in gill nets and boats and amounted to \$3,278.

Lane County.—This county has considerable area, but, like Douglas County, has a very short coast line, and the catch of fish is comparatively small. It was all taken from Siuslaw River and amounted to 117,526 pounds, valued at \$2,530. The only form of apparatus used was gill nets. One cannery, located at Florence on the Siuslaw, handles practically all the salmon. The investment of \$48,590 was mostly in the cannery building.

Yamhill County.—The output of this county was the least of all the fishing counties of the State. The product consisted entirely of crawfish, amounting to 5,300 pounds, valued at \$588. All were taken from Yamhill River, tributary to the Willamette, in traps similar to those noted under Washington County. The investment for the county was only \$256.

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF OREGON
IN 1915, BY COUNTIES.

	Clackamas.		Clatsop.		Columbia.		Coos.
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.
PERSONS ENGAGED.							
On vessels fishing.....			3				
On vessels transporting.....			34		2		4
In shore fisheries.....	120		2,393		271		288
On shore, in canneries, etc.....			680		20		86
Total.....	120		3,110		293		378
INVESTMENT.							
Vessels fishing.....			1	\$5,000			
Tonnage.....			18				
Outfit.....				300			
Vessels transporting.....			17	51,300	1	\$4,000	2
Tonnage.....			152		10		21
Outfit.....				7,600		300	
Boats:							
Gasoline.....			843	396,900	221	77,700	53
Sail, row, etc.....	104	\$3,600	220	22,695	74	18,705	119
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:							
Lines.....				90			
Apparatus, shore fisheries:							
Seines.....			43	23,500	5	1,150	8
Length in yards.....			21,430		1,100		2,460
Gill nets.....	210	5,950	1,605	389,325	238	55,600	195
Length in yards.....	13,900		750,490		86,020		25,000
Pound nets.....			28	19,600	8	2,300	
Hoop nets.....			620	905			60
Pots and traps.....	240	156	8	160	780	507	
Lines.....		250		1,000			
Tongs, hoes, etc.....				320			
Shore and accessory property.....		500		1,020,082		7,900	
Cash capital.....				137,800		8,000	
Total.....		10,456		2,076,577		176,162	
PRODUCTS.							
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.
Carp.....					50,000	\$750	
Halibut.....			98,000	\$2,940			10,000
Herring.....			2,000	120			
"Lingcod".....			6,000	75			5,000
Rockfishes.....			5,000	125			6,000
Salmon:							
Blueback.....			150,447	7,522	7,577	378	
Chinook.....	390,420	\$26,125	16,167,867	886,585	2,073,921	102,727	354,075
Chum.....			1,150,965	6,832	306,279	1,604	
Silver.....			2,391,953	47,811	67,485	1,355	511,496
Sea bass.....							2,000
Shad.....			446,093	4,512	32,385	331	
Steelhead trout.....	1,978	59	1,858,510	59,507	136,007	3,979	23,534
Sturgeon.....			75,289	3,696	7,915	397	
Tomcod.....			22,500	900			
Clams:							
Soft.....							5,140
Razor.....			77,200	10,900			
Crabs.....			224,900	8,430			19,200
Crawfish.....	5,000	560			30,000	3,390	
Total.....	397,398	26,744	22,676,724	1,039,955	2,711,569	114,911	936,445

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF OREGON
IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

	Curry.		Douglas.		Hood River.		Josephine.	
	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Number.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
PERSONS ENGAGED.								
On vessels transporting.....								
In shore fisheries.....	163		2		31		22	
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	62		52		2			
Total.....	225		213		33		22	
INVESTMENT.								
Vessels transporting.....			1	\$2,000				
Tonnage.....			7					
Outfit.....				400				
Boats:								
Gasoline.....	5	\$1,700	36	9,300	4	\$1,500		
Sail, row, etc.....	82	2,557	75	1,875	14	1,420	22	\$638
Apparatus, shore fisheries:								
Seines.....	6	2,900			2	600		
Length in yards.....	2,100				1,000			
Gill nets.....	159	8,680	275	13,070	23	1,550	22	2,640
Length in yards.....	15,310		28,140		2,720		5,500	
Shore and accessory property.....		68,054		51,799				
Cash capital.....		28,000		15,000				
Total.....		111,891		93,444		5,070		3,278
PRODUCTS.								
Salmon:	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Blueback.....					6,760	\$338		
Chinook.....	1,021,839	\$61,422	112,923	\$2,265	324,780	\$16,279	90,178	\$5,412
Chum.....			5,130	40				
Silver.....	64,144	1,603	548,610	10,000	13,614	273		
Steelhead trout.....	300	10	3,000	120	112,392	3,371		
Sturgeon.....					1,500	50		
Total.....	1,086,283	63,035	669,663	12,425	459,046	20,311	90,178	5,412

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF OREGON
IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

	Lane.		Lincoln.		Multnomah.		Tillamook
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.
PERSONS ENGAGED.							
On vessels fishing.....			5		15		
On vessels transporting.....	2				16		
In shore fisheries.....	107		342		154		339
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	24		73		168		128
Total.....	133		420		353		467
INVESTMENT.							
Vessels fishing.....			2	\$3,200	2	\$14,450	
Tonnage.....			22		34		
Outfit.....				485		2,500	
Vessels transporting.....	1	\$2,000			8	18,384	
Tonnage.....	12				65		
Outfit.....		200				2,950	
Boats:							
Gasoline.....	16	2,400	10	4,935	110	42,750	81
Sail, row, etc.....	33	990	242	6,630	43	1,235	204
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:							
Lines.....				255		660	
Apparatus, shore fisheries:							
Seines.....			4	550	2	1,500	2
Length in yards.....			640		500		360
Gill nets.....	142	5,500	318	23,240	138	32,600	542
Length in yards.....	11,000		47,530		48,320		59,640
Pound nets.....					1	200	
Pots and traps.....			1,800	1,800	1,860	1,209	240
Wheels.....					18	64,800	
Lines.....				68			
Tongs, hoes, etc.....				180			
Shore and accessory property.....		27,500		62,710		569,397	
Cash capital.....		10,000		37,500		118,309	
Total.....		48,590		141,553		870,944	
PRODUCTS.							
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.
Cod.....					14,400	\$288	
Flounders.....			1,965	\$40			
Halibut.....			58,485	\$2,056	68,684	3,434	
Herring.....			10,500	263			
"Lingcod".....			1,870	29			
Perch.....			11,930	360			
Rockfishes.....					1,000	20	
Sablefish.....					15,520	388	
Salmon:							
Blueback.....					105,443	5,270	
Chinook.....	33,180	\$829	418,007	13,922	764,834	38,826	1,012,848
Chum.....			52,945	268			466,560
Silver.....	83,306	1,670	250,050	4,197	3,792	78	844,414
Shad.....					10,147	102	
Smelt.....			3,500	175			
Steelhead trout.....	1,040	31	1,200	48	77,442	2,558	45,795
Sturgeon.....					9,226	533	
Clams: Soft.....			760	113			16,560
Oysters, native, market.....			1,547	725			
Crabs.....			119,172	3,300			52,000
Crawfish.....					95,000	10,735	
Total.....	117,526	2,530	931,931	25,496	1,165,488	62,232	2,438,177

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF OREGON
IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

	Wasco.		Washington		Yamhill		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
PERSONS ENGAGED.								
On vessels fishing.....							23	
On vessels transporting.....							60	
In shore fisheries.....	69		10		4		4,472	
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	50						1,345	
Total.....	119		10		4		5,900	
INVESTMENT.								
Vessels fishing.....							5	\$22,650
Tonnage.....							74	
Outfit.....								3,285
Vessels transporting.....							30	84,184
Tonnage.....							267	
Outfit.....								11,850
Boats:								
Gasoline.....	3	\$2,300					1,382	582,485
Sail, row, etc.....	18	840	10	\$250	4	\$100	1,264	69,805
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:								
Lines.....								1,005
Apparatus, shore fisheries:								
Seines.....	3	900					75	35,125
Length in yards.....	1,500						31,090	
Gill nets.....	9	385					3,877	582,740
Length in yards.....	720						1,094,290	
Pound nets.....	2	600					39	22,700
Hoop nets.....							680	995
Pots and traps.....			600	390	240	156	5,768	4,828
Wheels.....	9	43,000					27	107,800
Lines.....								1,438
Tongs, hoes, etc.....								539
Shore and accessory property.....		70,400						2,083,913
Cash capital.....		20,700						448,809
Total.....		139,125		640		256		4,064,151
PRODUCTS.								
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....							50,000	\$750
Cod.....							14,400	288
Flounders.....							1,965	40
Halibut.....							235,169	9,430
Herring.....							12,500	383
"Lingcod".....							12,870	354
Perch.....							11,930	360
Rockfishes.....							12,000	445
Sablefish.....							15,520	388
Salmon:								
Blueback.....	66,800	\$3,340					337,027	16,848
Chinook.....	732,180	36,614					23,497,052	1,225,393
Chum.....							1,981,879	11,081
Silver.....	65,980	1,581					4,844,844	94,140
Sea bass.....							2,000	60
Shad.....							488,625	4,945
Smelt.....							3,500	175
Steelhead trout.....	104,660	2,884					2,365,858	75,332
Sturgeon.....	3,855	338					97,785	5,014
Tomcod.....							22,500	900
Clams:								
Soft.....							22,460	3,041
Razor.....							77,200	10,900
Oysters, native, market.....							1,547	725
Crabs.....							415,272	13,755
Crawfish.....			48,420	\$5,474	5,300	\$588	183,720	20,747
Total.....	973,475	44,757	48,420	5,474	5,300	588	34,707,623	1,495,494

PRODUCTS BY APPARATUS.

In the vessel fisheries of Oregon the catch was all taken with and amounted to 262,959 pounds, valued at \$9,055. In the shore boat fisheries gill nets were the most productive forms of apparatus, the catch amounting to 23,256,052 pounds, valued at \$918,946. The catch with seines was 7,500,793 pounds, valued at \$363,280. Pot nets took 1,263,561 pounds, valued at \$45,198; lines, 686,500 pounds, valued at \$44,060; wheels, 1,000,299 pounds, valued at \$48,000; tongs, hoes, etc., 101,207 pounds, valued at \$14,666; pots and traps, 377,392 pounds, valued at \$26,572; and hoop nets, 244,100 pounds, valued at \$8,830.

The following tables give statistics by apparatus of the quantity and value of fishery products taken in the fisheries of Oregon in 1915.

YIELD OF THE VESSEL FISHERIES OF OREGON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES AND APPARATUS.

Apparatus and species.	Clatsop.		Lincoln.		Multnomah.		Total.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Lines:							
Cod.....					14,400	\$288	14,400
Halibut.....	98,000	\$2,940	52,485	\$1,756	68,684	3,434	219,169
"Lingcod".....	6,000	75	1,870	29			7,870
Rockfishes.....	5,000	125			1,000	20	6,000
Sablefish.....					15,520	388	15,520
Total.....	109,000	3,140	54,355	1,785	99,604	4,130	262,959

STATISTICS OF YIELD IN THE SHORE FISHERIES OF OREGON IN 1915, BY COUNTY, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS.

BY SEINES.

Species.	Clatsop.		Columbia.		Coos.		Curry.		Hood River.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Carp.....			50,000	\$750					
Herring.....	2,000	\$120							
Salmon:									
Blueback.....	109,645	5,483							2,760
Chinook.....	4,609,415	264,150	98,460	4,923	60,358	\$1,797	382,820	\$22,968	295,780
Chum.....	133,573	672							
Silver.....	64,810	1,264	11,436	230	129,548	1,966	42,640	1,065	13,614
Shad.....	227,069	2,277							
Steelhead trout.....	875,531	28,695					300	10	108,392
Sturgeon.....	2,245	103							1,500
Total.....	6,024,288	302,764	159,896	5,903	189,906	3,763	425,760	24,043	422,046

Species.	Lincoln.		Multnomah.		Tillamook.		Wasco.		Total.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Carp.....									50,000
Herring.....									2,000
Perch.....	11,930	\$360							11,930
Salmon:									
Blueback.....			4,828	\$241					117,233
Chinook.....	5,200	104	33,461	2,195	79,340	\$1,973			5,564,834
Chum.....					5,580	30			139,153
Silver.....	1,100	22			26,829	540	50,000	\$1,250	339,977
Shad.....			5,584	56					232,653
Steelhead trout.....			778	23			50,000	1,250	1,035,001
Sturgeon.....			3,442	172			825	90	8,012
Total.....	18,230	486	48,093	2,687	111,749	2,543	100,825	2,590	7,500,793

STATISTICS OF YIELD IN THE SHORE FISHERIES OF OREGON IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY GILL NETS.

Species.	Clackamas.		Clatsop.		Columbia.		Coos.		Curry.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon:										
Blueback.....			39,117	\$1,954	7,577	\$378				
Chinook.....	322,920	\$19,375	10,387,488	558,001	1,835,441	76,154	278,957	\$6,974	639,019	\$38,454
Chum.....			865,922	5,028	265,304	1,336				
Silver.....			2,237,709	44,731	40,061	805	381,948	6,712	21,504	538
Shad.....			158,805	1,627	32,385	331				
Steelhead trout.....	1,978	59	845,274	26,119	129,299	3,778	23,534	833		
Sturgeon.....			72,869	3,581	7,915	397				
Total.....	324,898	19,434	14,607,184	641,041	2,317,982	83,179	684,439	14,519	660,523	38,992

Species.	Douglas.		Hood River.		Josephine.		Lane.		Lincoln.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Flounders.....									1,965	\$40
Herring.....									10,500	263
Salmon:										
Blueback.....			4,000	\$200						
Chinook.....	112,923	\$2,265	29,000	1,490	90,178	\$5,412	33,180	\$829	412,807	13,818
Chum.....	5,130	40							52,945	268
Silver.....	548,610	10,000					83,306	1,670	248,950	4,175
Smelt.....									3,500	175
Steelhead trout.....	3,000	120	4,000	120			1,040	31	1,200	48
Total.....	669,663	12,425	37,000	1,810	90,178	5,412	117,526	2,530	731,867	18,787

Species.	Multnomah.		Tillamook.		Wasco.		Total.		
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Flounders.....								1,965	\$40
Herring.....								10,500	263
Salmon:									
Blueback.....	36,784	\$1,837			800	\$40	88,278	4,409	
Chinook.....	665,800	33,250	933,508	\$23,274	4,600	235	15,745,821	779,531	
Chum.....			460,980	2,307			1,650,281	8,979	
Silver.....			817,585	16,351	1,600	43	4,381,273	85,025	
Shad.....	3,500	85					194,690	1,993	
Smelt.....							3,500	175	
Steelhead trout.....	37,340	1,280	45,795	1,831	1,500	40	1,003,960	34,259	
Sturgeon.....	3,300	175			1,700	119	85,784	4,272	
Total.....	746,724	36,577	2,257,868	43,763	10,200	477	23,256,052	918,946	

BY POUND NETS.

Species.	Clatsop.		Columbia.		Multnomah.		Wasco.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon:										
Blueback.....	1,685	\$85							1,685	\$85
Chinook.....	580,964	29,034	140,020	\$5,650	7,300	\$365	8,320	\$416	736,604	35,465
Chum.....	151,470	1,132	40,975	268					192,445	1,400
Silver.....	89,434	1,816	15,988	320	2,892	60	7,132	143	115,446	2,339
Shad.....	60,219	608							60,219	608
Steelhead trout.....	137,705	4,693	6,708	201	4,464	135	7,680	230	156,557	5,259
Sturgeon.....	175	12					430	30	605	42
Total.....	1,021,652	37,380	203,691	6,439	14,656	560	23,562	819	1,263,561	45,198

BY HOOP NETS.

Species.	Clatsop.		Coos.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Crabs.....	224,900	\$8,430	19,200	\$400	244,100	\$8,830

STATISTICS OF YIELD IN THE SHORE FISHERIES OF OREGON IN 1915, BY COUNTY, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY POTS AND TRAPS.

Species.	Clackamas.		Clatsop.		Columbia.		Lincoln.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Crabs.....							119,172
Crawfish.....	5,000	\$560			30,000	\$3,390	
Tomcod.....			22,500	\$900			
Total.....	5,000	560	22,500	900	30,000	3,390	119,172

Species.	Multnomah.		Tillamook.		Washington.		Yamhill.		Total.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Crabs.....			52,000	\$1,625					171,172
Crawfish.....	95,000	\$10,735			48,420	\$5,474	5,300	\$588	183,720
Tomcod.....									22,500
Total.....	95,000	10,735	52,000	1,625	48,420	5,474	5,300	588	377,392

BY WHEELS.

Species.	Multnomah.		Wasco.		Total.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Salmon:					
Blueback.....	63,831	\$3,192	66,000	\$3,300	129,831
Chinook.....	58,273	3,016	719,260	35,963	777,533
Silver.....	900	18	7,248	145	8,148
Shad.....	1,063	11			1,063
Steelhead trout.....	34,860	1,120	45,480	1,364	80,340
Sturgeon.....	2,484	186	900	99	3,384
Total.....	161,411	7,543	838,888	40,871	1,000,299

BY LINES.

Species.	Clackamas.		Clatsop.		Coos.		Lincoln.		Total.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Halibut.....					10,000	\$1,000	6,000	\$300	16,000
"Lingcod".....					5,000	250			5,000
Rockfishes.....					6,000	300			6,000
Salmon: Chinook.....	67,500	\$6,750	590,000	\$35,400					657,500
Sea bass.....					2,000	60			2,000
Total.....	67,500	6,750	590,000	35,400	23,000	1,610	6,000	300	686,500

BY TONGS, HOES, ETC.

Species.	Clatsop.		Coos.		Lincoln.		Tillamook.		Total.
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	
Clams:									
Razor.....	77,200	\$10,900							77,200
Soft.....			*5,140	\$643	760	\$113	16,560	\$2,285	22,460
Oysters, native, market.....					1,547	725			1,547
Total.....	77,200	10,900	5,140	643	2,307	838	16,560	2,285	101,207

FISHERY INDUSTRIES.

For statistics of the quantity and value of fishery products prepared in Oregon in 1915, exclusive of canning, see table, page 54. The following table contains statistics of the extent of the canning industry of the State, by districts, in 1915:

EXTENT OF THE CANNING INDUSTRY OF OREGON IN 1915, BY DISTRICTS.

Items	Columbia River.		Pacific coast.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Establishments.....	10	\$772,235	24	\$336,131	34	\$1,108,366
Cash capital.....		180,309		175,300		355,609
Persons engaged.....	561		467		1,028	
Wages paid.....		283,609		91,830		375,439
PRODUCTS. ^a						
Salmon:						
Blueback—						
1 pound, flat.....cases..	11	88			11	88
½ pound, flat.....do....	4,499	24,827			4,499	24,827
Chinook—						
1 pound, tall.....do....	23,828	155,185	9,908	47,654	33,736	202,839
1 pound, flat.....do....	103,108	801,122	18,749	139,289	121,857	940,411
1 pound, oval.....do....	2,388	21,496			2,388	21,496
½ pound, flat.....do....	125,296	1,024,727	7,959	52,514	133,255	1,077,241
¼ pound, flat.....do....	1,529	4,578			1,529	4,578
Chum—						
1 pound, tall.....do....	25,158	66,122	8,991	23,170	34,149	89,292
1 pound, flat.....do....	2,291	6,558			2,291	6,558
½ pound, flat.....do....	4,288	8,848			4,288	8,848
Silver—						
1 pound, tall.....do....	11,332	78,530	23,170	101,229	34,502	179,759
1 pound, flat.....do....	2,093	14,160	3,949	18,059	6,042	32,219
½ pound, flat.....do....	8,652	27,490	4,209	18,570	12,861	46,060
Steelhead—						
1 pound, tall.....do....	3,955	20,791			3,955	20,791
1 pound, flat.....do....	8,710	56,682			8,710	56,682
½ pound, flat.....do....	6,118	35,127			6,118	35,127
Shad:						
1 pound, tall.....do....	1,281	3,184			1,281	3,184
½ pound, flat.....do....	1,145	3,435			1,145	3,435
Shad roe:						
½ pound, flat.....do....	171	1,702			171	1,702
¼ pound, oval.....do....	93	1,153			93	1,153
Clams:						
No. 1, whole.....do....			400	1,760	400	1,760
No. 1, minced.....do....			4,574	20,145	4,574	20,145
No. 2, minced.....do....			1,320	5,134	1,320	5,134
Halves, minced.....do....			3,248	12,660	3,248	12,660
Clam juice: No. 1.....do....			225	810	225	810
Crabs: ½ pound, flat.....do....			252	3,169	252	3,169

^a All products except clams and clam juice, which have no uniform weight, represent 48 pounds to the case.

FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA.

California in 1915 ranked second among the Pacific Coast States in the number of persons engaged, in the value of its investment, and in the amount and value of its fishery products. There were 4,282 persons engaged in the shore fisheries, 551 in the vessel fisheries, 35 in vessels transporting, and 3,584 persons engaged on shore in canneries, etc., making a total of 8,452 persons connected with the fisheries, as compared with 5,530 in 1904. The increase can be traced mainly to the shore industries.

The total investment in the fisheries of the State amounted to \$5,824,263, showing an increase of nearly 55 per cent since 1904. The items making up this total are 73 fishing vessels valued, with

STATISTICS OF YIELD IN THE SHORE FISHERIES OF OREGON IN 1915, BY COUNTY, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY POTS AND TRAPS.

Species.	Clackamas.		Clatsop.		Columbia.		Lincoln.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Crabs.....							119,172	\$3,
Crawfish.....	5,000	\$560			30,000	\$3,390		
Tomcod.....			22,500	\$900				
Total.....	5,000	560	22,500	900	30,000	3,390	119,172	3,

Species.	Multnomah.		Tillamook.		Washington.		Yamhill.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Crabs.....			52,000	\$1,625					171,172	\$4,
Crawfish.....	95,000	\$10,735			48,420	\$5,474	5,300	\$588	183,720	20,
Tomcod.....									22,500	
Total.....	95,000	10,735	52,000	1,625	48,420	5,474	5,300	588	377,392	26,

BY WHEELS.

Species.	Multnomah.		Wasco.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon:						
Blueback.....	63,831	\$3,192	66,000	\$3,300	129,831	\$6,
Chinook.....	58,273	3,016	719,260	35,963	777,533	38,
Silver.....	900	18	7,248	145	8,148	
Shad.....	1,063	11			1,063	
Steelhead trout.....	34,860	1,120	45,480	1,364	80,340	2,
Sturgeon.....	2,484	186	900	99	3,384	
Total.....	161,411	7,543	838,888	40,871	1,000,299	48,

BY LINES.

Species.	Clackamas.		Clatsop.		Coos.		Lincoln.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Halibut.....					10,000	\$1,000	6,000	\$300	16,000	\$1,
"Lingcod".....					5,000	250			5,000	
Rockfishes.....					6,000	300			6,000	
Salmon: Chinook.....	67,500	\$6,750	590,000	\$35,400					657,500	42,
Sea bass.....					2,000	60			2,000	
Total.....	67,500	6,750	590,000	35,400	23,000	1,610	6,000	300	686,500	44,

BY TONGS, HOES, ETC.

Species.	Clatsop.		Coos.		Lincoln.		Tillamook.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Razor.....	77,200	\$10,900							77,200	\$10,
Soft.....			5,140	\$643	760	\$113	16,560	\$2,285	22,460	3,
Oysters, native, market.....					1,547	725			1,547	
Total.....	77,200	10,900	5,140	643	2,307	838	16,560	2,285	101,207	14,

FISHERY INDUSTRIES.

For statistics of the quantity and value of fishery products prepared in Oregon in 1915, exclusive of canning, see table, page 54. The following table contains statistics of the extent of the canning industry of the State, by districts, in 1915:

EXTENT OF THE CANNING INDUSTRY OF OREGON IN 1915, BY DISTRICTS.

Items	Columbia River.		Pacific coast.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Establishments	10	\$772, 235	24	\$336, 131	34	\$1, 108, 366
Cash capital		180, 309		175, 300		355, 609
Persons engaged	561		467		1, 028	
Wages paid		283, 609		91, 830		375, 439
PRODUCTS. ^a						
Salmon:						
Blueback—						
1 pound, flat	cases..	11	88		11	88
½ pound, flat	do....	4, 499	24, 827		4, 499	24, 827
Chinook—						
1 pound, tall	do....	23, 828	155, 185	9, 908	47, 654	33, 736
1 pound, flat	do....	103, 108	801, 122	18, 749	139, 289	121, 857
1 pound, oval	do....	2, 388	21, 496			2, 388
½ pound, flat	do....	125, 296	1, 024, 727	7, 959	52, 514	133, 255
¼ pound, flat	do....	1, 529	4, 578			1, 529
Chum—						
1 pound, tall	do....	25, 158	66, 122	8, 991	23, 170	34, 149
1 pound, flat	do....	2, 291	6, 558			2, 291
½ pound, flat	do....	4, 288	8, 848			4, 288
Silver—						
1 pound, tall	do....	11, 332	78, 530	23, 170	101, 229	34, 502
1 pound, flat	do....	2, 093	14, 160	3, 949	18, 059	6, 042
½ pound, flat	do....	8, 652	27, 490	4, 209	18, 570	12, 861
Steelhead—						
1 pound, tall	do....	3, 955	20, 791			3, 955
1 pound, flat	do....	8, 710	56, 682			8, 710
½ pound, flat	do....	6, 118	35, 127			6, 118
Shad:						
1 pound, tall	do....	1, 281	3, 184			1, 281
½ pound, flat	do....	1, 145	3, 435			1, 145
Shad roe:						
½ pound, flat	do....	171	1, 702			171
½ pound, oval	do....	93	1, 153			93
Clams:						
No. 1, whole	do....			400	1, 760	400
No. 1, minced	do....			4, 574	20, 145	4, 574
No. 2, minced	do....			1, 320	5, 134	1, 320
Halves, minced	do....			3, 248	12, 660	3, 248
Clam juice: No. 1	do....			225	810	225
Crabs: ½ pound, flat	do....			252	3, 169	252

^a All products except clams and clam juice, which have no uniform weight, represent 48 pounds to the case.

FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA.

California in 1915 ranked second among the Pacific Coast States in the number of persons engaged, in the value of its investment, and in the amount and value of its fishery products. There were 4,282 persons engaged in the shore fisheries, 551 in the vessel fisheries, 35 in vessels transporting, and 3,584 persons engaged on shore in canneries, etc., making a total of 8,452 persons connected with the fisheries, as compared with 5,530 in 1904. The increase can be traced mainly to the shore industries.

The total investment in the fisheries of the State amounted to \$5,824,263, showing an increase of nearly 55 per cent since 1904. The items making up this total are 73 fishing vessels valued, with

their outfit, at \$354,375; 20 transporting vessels with a value, including their outfit, of \$72,000; 1,429 gasoline boats valued at \$1,351,116; 1,169 other boats valued at \$104,816; apparatus, in the shore and vessel fisheries, valued at \$606,944; shore and accessory property with a value of \$2,731,390 and working cash capital amounting to \$448,800.

The products of the fisheries of California in 1915 aggregated 93,338,703 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$2,506,400. This is an increase of about 44 per cent in quantity, but a decrease of about three-fifths of 1 per cent in value as compared with 1914. Among the items in the products of special importance may be mentioned 7,303,933 pounds of chinook salmon, valued at \$340,900; 21,024,190 pounds of albacore, or tuna, valued at \$316,103; 6,923,000 pounds of flounders, valued at \$209,766; 375,774 pounds, or 53,000 bushels, of eastern oysters, valued at \$165,573; 4,952,692 pounds of salted cod, valued at \$161,695; 1,784,488 pounds of striped bass, valued at \$146,928; 4,344,254 pounds of rockfishes, valued at \$146,216; 892,392 pounds of spiny lobsters, valued at \$130,100; 1,414,155 pounds of crabs, valued at \$128,434; 3,592,646 pounds of barracuda, valued at \$124,870, and 5,761,929 pounds of sole, valued at \$108,254.

For statistics as to number of persons engaged, investment, and products of the fisheries of California in 1915, see table, page 51.

FISHERIES BY COUNTIES.

San Francisco County.—The fisheries of San Francisco County in 1915 were more valuable than those of any other county in the State, the output amounting to 17,602,489 pounds, valued at \$649,800. Among the leading species were codfish, eastern oysters, crabs, sole, rockfishes, flounders, striped bass, and chinook salmon. The codfish, amounting to 4,952,692 pounds, valued at \$161,695, was taken by three vessels owned in San Francisco and fishing in Alaskan waters. Practically all of the fishermen of this county live within the corporate limits of San Francisco. In 1915, 552 men were engaged in the shore fisheries and 116 on vessels of 5 net tons and over. The majority of the fishermen, as well as wholesale dealers, are Italian. There were 290 gas boats, valued at \$259,710; 35 rowboats, valued at \$705; 68 house boats and scows, valued at \$7,600; and 2 sailboats, valued at \$500, employed in the fisheries of this county. Practically all of these boats were docked at Fishermens Wharf, San Francisco, the headquarters of the several fishery unions to which the owners of the boats belonged.

The fishing from San Francisco is prosecuted both in the ocean and in San Francisco Bay. The trawl-line fishing for rockfishes and other species and the hoop-net fishing for crabs are followed entirely in the ocean, while the gill nets are fished both in the ocean and in San Francisco Bay, and occasionally fishermen go as far as Suisun Bay. The leading species taken with this apparatus are sea bass, smelt, shad, chinook salmon, herring and carp. Seines are also fished in San Francisco Bay for white bait, anchovies, and sardines. Among other forms of apparatus used are lampara nets and bag nets, the catch consisting mainly of squid and shrimp. The shrimp are taken mainly by Chinese fishermen.

San Francisco is the headquarters of an important oyster fishery prosecuted in San Francisco Bay. This industry, however, has suffered a noticeable decline within recent years. In 1904, the output amounted to 138,667 bushels of eastern oysters, valued at \$514,399, and 42,932 bushels of native oysters, valued at \$91,770. In 1915 the output had dwindled to 51,556 bushels of eastern oysters, valued at \$156,745. No native oysters have been taken from San Francisco Bay for several years, the result being that most of those now consumed have to be brought from Washington, the price being very much greater than formerly, when there was a local supply.

A small quantity of soft clams are taken from the flats of San Francisco Bay near San Francisco by fishermen from that city. In 1915 the output was 2,300 bushels, with a value of \$5,300, a decline of 914 bushels since 1904, but an increase in value of \$1,550. The clams are handled mostly by Chinese dealers, and many of the fishermen are also Chinese.

Mussels to the amount of 600 bushels, with a value of \$1,200, were scraped from the pilings of the city wharves and disposed of for food.

Contra Costa County.—The fishery products of this county in 1915 amounted to 7,395,328 pounds, valued at \$229,550. The most important species were chinook salmon, striped bass, and shad. A few other species were taken in small quantities. Most of the fishing was done in Suisun and San Pablo Bays and the Sacramento River. A little fishing was also done in San Francisco Bay and San Joaquin River. With the exception of a few seines used mainly for carp and smelt, gill nets are the only apparatus used in this county. Pittsburg is the most important fishing center, not only in this county, but on the entire Sacramento River. In 1915 a total of 305 fishermen and 5 shoremen were engaged in this town, almost all of whom were Italians. These men employed 100 sailboats, valued at \$13,000; 51 gas boats, valued at \$29,000; and 8 house boats, worth \$1,600. Gill nets were the only form of apparatus used. This town in 1915 was the center of an important canning trade in shad, shad roe, and chinook salmon. In addition, immense quantities of shad were salted and mild cured, and large supplies of chinook salmon were mild cured and pickled. Most of the salted shad were sent to China. During this year the first shipments east of shad in large quantities were begun. They were sent by express in refrigerator cars. The consignments were made in carload lots, and were sent mostly to Chicago and New York. The first large shipments of shad to the east were made in 1914.

One-half or more of the fishermen of this town yearly make a practice of going to Alaska to fish under contract for one of the salmon-canning firms of that territory. They usually leave Pittsburg between April 1 and 15 and remain away about five months. The trip is made on one of the companies' steamers from San Francisco.

Martinez, also in Contra Costa County, has very important gill-net fisheries, the catch in 1915 amounting to 672,000 pounds of striped bass, valued at \$57,120; 414,000 pounds of chinook salmon, valued at \$21,390; and 153,355 pounds of shad, valued at \$2,300. A total of 105 men were engaged in fishing and 7 in transporting fish. These men employed 22 gas boats, valued at \$10,200; 34

sailboats, valued at \$5,000; and 7 house boats, worth \$1,400. branch of a firm in Pittsburg salted large quantities of shad here.

Solano County.—There are several important fishing localities in this county, the most important of which is Rio Vista. The greater part of the fishing is done in the Sacramento River, but a considerable amount is also done in San Pablo and Suisun Bays and the San Joaquin River. The catch consists mainly of chinook salmon and striped bass. Large quantities of shad are taken, but the price is too low to afford much profit. Gill nets are the only form of apparatus used in the county. One cannery at Benicia and a mild-cure establishment at South Vallejo utilized large quantities of chinook salmon. Most of the catch, however, as in Contra Costa County, was handled by local buy boats working on commission for San Francisco firms.

Marin County.—Considering the extent of its fisheries as compared with some of the more important counties, the variety of fish and fish products in this county is rather noticeable. The greater part of the fishing is done in Tomales Bay, but some of the fishermen along the bay also fish in the ocean. Many kinds of apparatus are used, but the most important forms are seines and gill nets. The leading species taken with seines are surf fish, herring, and perch, and with gill nets sea bass, smelt, and striped bass. Considerable quantities of clams are taken in Tomales Bay, but the industry is far less important than that of the oyster, which has been developing to some extent during the past few years through private planting. The cultivation of clams on private beds has also been undertaken recently. Tomales Bay is comparatively free from impurities, it is thought that both the oyster and clam industries should improve with attention. A few men were engaged for a short time in 1915 in taking abalone, the resultant products consisting of \$450 worth of shells, \$158 worth of abalone meat, and \$40 worth of pearls.

Sausalito is situated on Richardson Bay, but its leading fishery industry is that for crabs, conducted in the Pacific Ocean. The output in 1915 amounted to 163,800 pounds, valued at \$16,134.

San Joaquin County.—The total output of the fisheries of this county in 1915 amounted to 1,330,674 pounds, valued at \$44,230, showing an increase since 1904 of 803,853 pounds in quantity and \$21,960 in value. Catfish was the leading species, two-thirds of the State's catch being credited to this county. They were taken in the San Joaquin River in fyke nets and seines, but mainly in the former. Next in importance to the catfish is the chinook salmon. Shad exceed all other species in abundance, but its importance is much lessened by the low price received by the fishermen. More than one and a quarter million pounds of this species were salted at different points in the county during the year, many of the fish coming from points outside of the county. Of the firms engaged in salting, one was American and the other two Chinese. Practically all of the salted shad were shipped to China. Stockton is the center of the wholesale trade of the county.

Humboldt County.—The output of the fisheries of this county in 1915 amounted to 829,630 pounds, valued at \$32,796, more than one-half of the value being credited to chinook salmon. Among other species worthy of mention are silver salmon, flounders, smelt, steelhead trout, soft clams, and crabs. This county borders on the Pacific Ocean.

but its most important fisheries are those prosecuted in the Eel River. The output of this river in 1915 amounted to 558,893 pounds, valued at \$22,246, which was less than one-fourth of the catch made in 1904. Chinook salmon constituted 80 per cent of the catch, the remainder consisting of silver salmon, steelhead, and sturgeon. The catch was handled by local buyers and shipped mainly to San Francisco. Eureka is the center of the county's wholesale trade, two firms located there handling most of the fish taken in Humboldt Bay and the Pacific Ocean. Besides those taken in Eel River some salmon are also taken in Mad River and Redwood Creek. Several men follow clamming in Humboldt Bay at times during the year, the catch being disposed of locally in Eureka. Crab nets are set both in Humboldt Bay and the Pacific Ocean. The catch would probably be greater than at present if it were not that the law prohibits the shipping of crabs out of the county. Some trawl-line fishing is followed from Eureka in the Pacific Ocean, the catch consisting mainly of flounders and rockfishes.

Sacramento County.—This county is situated entirely on the Sacramento River. The total catch in 1915 amounted to 447,167 pounds, valued at \$23,132, which was less than one-half of the catch shown for 1904. Nearly 45 per cent of the catch consisted of chinook salmon. The catfish ranks as one of the important species of the county. Gill nets and fyke nets are the only kinds of apparatus used. Sacramento is the most important fishing center in the county. In 1915 three wholesale firms, one of them Chinese, located in this city, together with one in Yolo County across from Sacramento, handled large quantities of fresh fish taken in the vicinity and from a long distance up the river. While many of these fish were shipped to States to the eastward, the major portion probably reached San Francisco. The fishery resources of the Sacramento River are much greater below than above Sacramento. A Chinese firm opposite Antioch salted a large quantity of shad during the year, the product being shipped to China. The European war caused a discontinuation of this work.

Alameda County.—This county is situated on San Francisco Bay, in which waters most of its fishing is done. The total output in 1915 amounted to 1,092,180 pounds, valued at \$22,598, as compared with 116,958 pounds, valued at \$29,804 in 1904. The noticeable increase in quantity in 1915 was due to a large catch of stingray and shark, disposed of to a nearby plant manufacturing poultry feed and oil. Owing to the low price received, these two species did not add materially to the total value of products. The decrease in value of products since 1904 can be traced mainly to the decline of the oyster industry. Both the clam and shrimp industries are of importance in this county. There are several wholesale firms in Oakland, but most of the fish handled by them were brought from San Francisco and more distant points. One firm of Chinese handled clams only.

Del Norte County.—This is the most northern of the coastal counties of California. Requa, though a mere village, is the leading fishing center of the county, owing its importance in this particular to the location there of a salmon cannery, which handles most of the fish taken in the Klamath River, on which the village is located. A salmon cannery at Smith River, on the river of that name, utilizes practically all of the salmon from that stream. The total output of Del Norte County in 1915 amounted to 924,135 pounds, valued

at \$21,912, consisting mostly of chinook and silver salmon. Crescent City, situated on the Pacific Ocean, some fishing for crabs was followed, most of the men belonging in San Francisco. The output of salmon since 1904 shows a noticeable increase for the county. The lack of railroads in the county, however, serves as a bar to a great extension of the fishery industries.

Tchama County.—The fishing in this vicinity is done entirely on the Sacramento River, the latter flowing through the central part of the county. Aside from a couple of drift gill nets at Cornville seines are the only form of apparatus used. The total output of the county in 1915 was 186,839 pounds, valued at \$13,221, as compared with 176,079 pounds, valued at \$7,003 in 1904. The fishing followed entirely for chinook salmon, a few other species, such as striped bass, catfish, shad, and sturgeon, being taken incidentally.

Mendocino County.—The fishing in this county is centered mainly at Fort Bragg, the only coast town of the county situated on a railroad. The output of the county in 1915 amounted to 185,500 pounds, valued at \$10,512. No returns are shown for this county in 1904, as the railroad to Fort Bragg had not then been constructed. The leading species are chinook and silver salmon, rockfishes, and flounders. Some abalone and mussels are also taken. Trolling is followed to a considerable extent in the ocean off Fort Bragg from June to the middle of September, men from other counties are engaged in the fishery. Some trawl-line fishing for rockfishes, flounders, and "lingcod" is followed in the ocean during March, April, and May whenever the weather permits the men to get out. During the fall and winter of 1915 some silver salmon were taken with gill nets in a few of the small rivers of the county, but net fishing was prohibited in these streams after that year.

Yolo County.—The decline in the fisheries of this county between 1904 and 1915 was from 341,500 pounds, valued at \$12,030, to 249,500 pounds, valued at \$10,448, showing a greater proportionate decline in quantity than in value. Considerably more than one-half the catch was made with drift gill nets and the remainder with fyke nets and seines. The most important species are chinook salmon, catfish, shad, hardhead, and striped bass. The first-named species makes up about 45 per cent of the value of the entire catch. Broderick across the Sacramento River from Sacramento, is the most important fishing locality in the county. One wholesale firm located there buys a considerable proportion of the catch, the remainder being sold to dealers in Sacramento.

Sonoma County.—There is a greater variety of fishing at Bodega than at any locality in the county, several different forms of apparatus being used. Among the important products taken in the county are abalone, including pearls and blisters, surf fish, rockfishes, chinook salmon, soft clams, crabs, perch, hard clams, and crawfish, the last named being taken in the Russian River seven miles above its mouth. The total output of the county in 1915 amounted to 243,150 pounds, valued at \$9,325. No fishing was reported in this county in 1904. Lack of railroad facilities to the coast probably accounts for the slow growth of the fisheries of the county.

Butte County.—The output of this county in 1915 amounted to 82,800 pounds, valued at \$6,720, or less than one-half in quantity a

slightly over 75 per cent in value of the catch shown for 1904. Seines were the only form of apparatus used. Aside from a few hundred pounds of striped bass and sturgeon the catch was confined to chinook salmon. Most of the catch was shipped from Chico.

Glenn County.—The total fishery output of this county in 1915 amounted to 86,100 pounds, having a value of \$6,705. No catch was shown for this county in 1904. Willow is the most important fishing center in the county. Aside from a few chinook taken with drift gill nets the entire catch was taken with seines. Chinook salmon constituted about 94 per cent of the catch, the remainder consisting of sturgeon and striped bass.

Colusa County.—With the exception of a few fykes and hand lines, seines were the only form of apparatus used in the county. The output in 1915 amounted to 58,456 pounds, valued at \$4,214. Several species were taken, but chinook salmon constituted about three-fourths of the catch. Colusa, the county seat, is the most important fishing center. No fisheries were shown for this county for 1904.

Sutter County.—The fishery resources of this county show a decline from 148,000 pounds, valued at \$6,440, in 1904, to 73,645 pounds, valued at \$2,921, in 1915. In 1904 the catch consisted largely of chinook salmon, but in 1915 nearly 70 per cent of the catch was catfish. Most of the fishing is confined to the southern part of the county, from Knights Landing down, and is sold to dealers in Sacramento and Broderick.

San Mateo County.—The output of this county in 1915 amounted to 26,500 pounds, valued at \$1,910, as compared with 216,140 pounds, valued at \$6,405, in 1904. This difference is due mainly to the decline of the shrimp industry through restrictive legislation. The output consisted of soft clams, crabs, rockfishes, and a few smelt. Aside from a small local consumption, the entire catch was landed and sold in San Francisco, which is not far distant from the fishing grounds of the county.

Shasta County.—This county is the uppermost one on the Sacramento River in which commercial fishing is prosecuted. The output in 1915 amounted to 20,997 pounds, valued at \$1,289, which is about one-half of the value of the output in 1904. Aside from a few fish taken with spears, the catch is credited entirely to seines. Chinook salmon and a few striped bass were the only species taken. Cottonwood and Anderson were the principal fishing localities. As in the case of most of the counties on the Sacramento River above Sacramento, the fish are shipped mainly to Sacramento and San Francisco. A few are shipped by the buyers north to Seattle and Portland and to neighboring States eastward. Owing to the current, seines are best adapted for the fisheries of the Sacramento River above Yolo County, and in most instances a horse is necessary in hauling the seine. A law passed by the California legislature in 1916 prohibits all fishing in the Sacramento River above Vina, Tehama County. Previously there was no limit to the fishing in the river.

Los Angeles County.—This is the most thickly settled county in the State and far exceeded any other in the number of persons employed, the amount of capital invested in the fisheries, and the quantity of fishery products taken during the year 1915, but the value of the products was less than in San Francisco County. There were 2,428 persons engaged either as active fishermen or in the various

fishery industries on shore; the value of shore property, fishing apparatus, boats, etc., was \$2,041,401; and the products amounted 27,420,247 pounds, valued at \$515,863. Including some chinquichum, and silver salmon taken from Columbia River by a vessel from San Pedro, there were 33 species.

The fisheries are centered in the southern part of the county, Los Angeles Harbor at San Pedro, East San Pedro, and Wilmington and at Long Beach.

Some fishing is also done from Redonda Beach, Santa Monica, and Venice, and a little from Catalina Island, although the greater part that done at the last-named place is for sport. The present importance of the county as a fishing center is due to the rapid growth of the tuna industry during recent years, although it has occupied a prominent place among the fishing counties of the State for a number of years because of the quantity of barracuda, flounders, rockfish, and other species taken. The bulk of the tuna is sold to the cannery, though at times some go to the wholesale dealers, who handle the other species, shipping them to various inland points.

During the year 1915 there were 10 wholesale fresh-fish houses and 1 tuna cannery at San Pedro, 3 tuna canneries at East San Pedro, 1 at Wilmington, and 5 at Long Beach. There were also a number of wholesale fresh-fish dealers at Los Angeles. A large percentage of the fishermen are Austrians, some Americans, and, in the tuna fishery especially, many are Japanese.

Of the total catch 17,367,259 pounds, or nearly 63 per cent, was albacore or tuna, valued at \$260,667. Other important catches were barracuda, 1,555,162 pounds, valued at \$59,256; flounders, 1,349,103 pounds, valued at \$51,731; rockfishes, 690,131 pounds, valued at \$21,882; yellowtail, 679,868 pounds, valued at \$18,900; sea bass, 446,064 pounds, valued at \$16,953, and bonito, 370,800 pounds, valued at \$10,840.

Owing to the fact that the large catch of albacore is practically taken by lines, these are by far the most important form of apparatus. The total catch of all species by lines was 18,518,522 pounds, valued at \$300,417, of which 17,339,499 pounds, valued at \$260,223, was albacore. Other important species in the line fishery are the rockfishes, amounting to 690,131 pounds, valued at \$21,882.

The gill-net catch ranked next to that of the lines, amounting to 1,911,649 pounds, valued at \$66,996, of which 893,960 pounds, valued at \$34,738, were barracuda. Considerable quantities of bonito, sea bass, and yellowtail were also taken by the gill nets. The lampnet also occupies a prominent place in the fisheries of the county, the catch amounting to 1,745,777 pounds, valued at \$52,935, consisting chiefly of yellowtail and barracuda. The trammel net was next in importance, with a catch of 1,069,496 pounds, valued at \$40,400, mostly flounders, known locally as "California halibut." There has been quite an increase in the number of small fishing vessels hailing from Los Angeles County. During the year there were 38 of the 5 tons net or more, with a total net tonnage of 343 and a value of \$85,700, the majority being engaged in line fishing for albacore. The only seines fished from the county were purse seines, operated from six of these vessels, the catch consisting chiefly of barracuda and yellowtail, with some bonito, mackerel, sea bass, Spanish mackerel, and albacore. The gill-net catch of the vessel fisheries was chiefly barracuda, and the trammel nets took only flounders.

The kelp, which grows in abundance along the Pacific coast, has not been utilized commercially in the past, though it has long been known to contain a large percentage of potash. This country has heretofore depended almost entirely on Germany for its supply of potash, but since the beginning of the European war there has been such a decrease in the importation of this product that the Department of Agriculture deemed it expedient to make investigations to determine the feasibility of harvesting the kelp for the purpose of extracting the potash and other ingredients of commercial value. It was found to be entirely practicable and, though the actual work was yet in its incipiency in 1915, extensive preparations were being made in Los Angeles and San Diego Counties for future effort in this important industry, and a number of plants were in operation in 1916. One company operated in Los Angeles County during 1915 and cut 1,500 tons of kelp.

San Diego County.—This county ranked fourth in the State in the quantity of products taken during the year. The total catch was 12,652,996 pounds, valued at \$343,919. In the amount of the capital invested, which was \$625,021, and the number of persons employed, which was 1,026, it occupied third place. The products included 21 different species, and a number of these were sold both fresh and salted. As in Los Angeles County, the leading species was albacore, with a total catch of 3,630,931 pounds, valued at \$54,505, used fresh, and 25,000 pounds, valued at \$481, salted. Other species taken in large quantities were flounders, 2,182,658 pounds, valued at \$83,826; barracuda, fresh, 1,415,904 pounds, valued at \$41,121, and salted, 330,000 pounds, valued at \$13,180; rockfishes, 734,464 pounds, valued at \$16,703; spiny lobsters, 500,313 pounds, valued at \$84,726; rock bass, fresh, 489,450 pounds, valued at \$10,032, and salted, 2,750 pounds, valued at \$97; yellowtail, fresh, 337,898 pounds, valued at \$4,954, and salted, 124,500 pounds, valued at \$4,743.

The fisheries of this county are centered at San Diego, where four tuna canneries, one of which also canned a small lot of abalone taken from Mexican waters, and six wholesale fresh-fish houses are located. The abalone canning was somewhat in the nature of an experiment and was discontinued when found to be unprofitable because of the excessive cost of getting abalone from foreign waters.

Many of the fishermen of southern California have been going to Mexican waters during the last eight years or more because they thought those waters more productive than those where they had been fishing nearer their home ports. To do this, they are required to secure a permit from the representatives of the government of Lower California and also to pay a tax of 2 cents per pound on all fish taken from what are claimed as Mexican waters, and it has been stated that this tax is levied even though the fish in question have been taken beyond the 3-mile limit. The bulk of the halibut or flounders and a considerable portion of the barracuda, lobsters, and other species brought to the San Diego market are from fishing grounds off Lower California. It is said that some of the San Diego boats often go as far as 100 miles or more from home when fishing in southern waters.

Line fishing is the most important, because the great bulk of the albacore is taken by that apparatus. The total catch by lines was 5,580,946 pounds, valued at \$101,381, of which 3,628,560 pounds,

valued at \$54,429, were albacore, the greater part of the remainder consisting of rockfishes, rock bass, and yellowtail.

The rockfish fishery is one of the most important in this county, as well as in Los Angeles County, the catch being all by lines and especially good. A great deal of the fishing is done about San Clement Island, located 65 or 70 miles off San Diego. The rockfishes are often taken in 100 fathoms or more of water. The season for fishing is mostly in winter, though the fish may be found in these waters practically the entire year. It is said to be almost impossible to work the gear during summer because of the presence of the sharks which do considerable damage to the lines. Either a "hand line" or "set line" is used. The former has about 125 hooks, which are attached to snoods hung from the main line at intervals of about 9 inches. The line is laid out on the bottom with a stone made fast to one end, and to the other end is attached a line which extends up to the boat. The crew usually consists of three men, and one man is assigned to tend a single line. The main line is No. 156 hard-laid cotton, and the snoods are No. 24 cotton twine. If the fish are not biting readily, the lines are sometimes buoyed, and the men move about in search of more productive grounds.

The set lines are much more extensive and are made of a number of lengths of 200 hooks each, tied together to make one string. Sometimes as many as 15 to 20 of these pieces are fished as one line. The line is weighted at each end with a stone or piece of iron, and a buoy line attached. When fishing a bottom that is especially rocky or when the water is rough, additional buoys are attached between the end ones to prevent the line becoming entangled. The main line is No. 240 hard-laid cotton, and the snoods are No. 24 cotton twine. The snoods are about $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet long and are attached to the main line at intervals of from 5 to $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet. The buoy lines are manila. It is often difficult to raise these set lines, especially if the water is rough and it sometimes requires the combined effort of two or three men to accomplish this. The bait for the lines is sardines or fish cuttings. These lines are practically the same as those used in the other counties of southern California.

The lobster pots ranked next to the lines in importance. The catch, which consisted entirely of spiny lobsters, amounted to 500,313 pounds, valued at \$84,726. Spiny lobsters are not taken north of Santa Barbara County, but are found in considerable numbers from that county southward. The State law prohibits fishing for them in California waters during the summer when they are spawning, but there seems to be no State prohibition against the importation of the Mexican lobster during that period, and as a result of this lack of restriction many of the fishermen from San Diego have been going to the coast of Lower California during recent years, establishing camps for the summer season, and sending great quantities of lobsters to the California market. Many are opposed to this practice, because they are of the opinion that the lobster should be protected when spawning in Mexican waters as well as in California, and are anxious to have legislation to prohibit importing them during the closed season. The best lobster-fishing grounds in the early fall are on the kelp beds near the shore where the lobsters seem to gather for protection, but as cold weather advances they go out to deeper water. It is often very difficult to raise the pots because of the heavy swell, and at times the men

have to attach the buoy line to the moving boat in order to get them up. The pots are made of laths and are mostly about 3 feet long, 30 to 32 inches wide at the bottom, narrowing to about 12 inches at the top, and are 12 inches high. They are set singly with a buoy line attached to each pot in water varying in depth from 5 to 20 fathoms. When fishing in deep water, it is often necessary to use 40 to 60 pounds of ballast to a single pot.

The trammel-net fishery is also quite important. The catch consisted entirely of flounders and amounted to 2,182,408 pounds, valued at \$83,816. Trammel nets are made very much on the plan of a gill net, though they have three webs instead of one. A web of small-mesh netting is hung between two webs of larger mesh, the middle one hanging deeper than the two outside ones, so that the fish striking from either side and forcing the small mesh net through the larger mesh forms a bag from which it is impossible to escape. The two outside webs are 23-inch mesh, No. 12 cotton twine, and about 12 feet deep, and the center one is 9-inch mesh, No. 9 cotton twine, and about 16 feet deep. One net is 36 to 40 fathoms long, and a number are usually tied in a string and fished as one net, sometimes as many as 20 being used to one string.

The gill net ranks next in importance. The catch amounted to 2,260,329 pounds, valued at \$68,388. This net is used chiefly for fishing barracuda, and over 69 per cent of the total catch consisted of that species, the number of pounds being, fresh, 1,362,441, valued at \$39,957, and salted, 198,000 pounds, valued at \$7,900. Sea bass and yellowtail also figure quite prominently in the gill-net catch, the former amounting to 261,703 pounds, valued at \$8,351, and the latter to 212,645 pounds, fresh, valued at \$3,389, and 55,500 pounds, salted, valued at \$1,983.

The quantity of kelp harvested during 1915 was about 1,000 tons, valued at \$1,000.

The fishing vessels of 5 tons net or more hailing from San Diego County numbered 13, with a total net tonnage of 112 tons and a total value of \$34,550. Several of these are from La Playa, located on San Diego Bay opposite San Diego, and are fished by Portuguese, who fish mostly in Mexican waters and sometimes go several hundred miles from their home port. The greater part of their catch is salted in the hold of the vessel and consists chiefly of barracuda, Jewfish, Spanish mackerel, and rockfishes. Other vessels take considerable quantities of albacore.

Monterey County.—The products of the fisheries of this county in 1915 amounted to 14,085,399 pounds, valued at \$183,806, and the investment was \$455,887. The number of persons employed in the fisheries and various shore industries was 694. Monterey, located on Monterey Bay, is the center of the fisheries of the county. There are located here 13 wholesale fresh-fish houses and two canneries, where the only sardines canned in the State were canned during the year. In addition to these species, one of these houses also prepared canned, mild-cured, and salted salmon. One firm also was engaged in drying squid, which was mostly for export to China. The only real abalone cannery operated in the State during 1915 was located at Point Lobos, about 5 miles south of Monterey. Monterey Bay is the southern limit of salmon, and the major portion of those found there are chinook, a comparatively small number of silver salmon also being taken.

Salmon usually appear in this region in large numbers, and most of the catch is taken in the spring and early summer. The salmon are taken entirely with troll lines, and practically all in the bay. The anchovies, kingfish, mussels, perch, sardines, and squid are also practically all taken in the bay, and the rockfishes, "lingcod," jewfish, sablefish, and sole are all taken in the ocean. Sardines come in June and from that time until early in August are rather small in size. After this they run larger and continue so until winter. During December and January they are especially large. From March until late in May there are no sardines of any consequence. The catch for the year was rather poor.

In quantity the catch of squid was greater than any other, but in value the catch of chinook salmon was more than double that of any other species. The amount of squid taken was 6,140,000 pounds, valued at \$30,700. The next in quantity were sardines with a catch of 4,006,200 pounds, valued at \$20,031. The catch of chinook salmon and rockfishes, all of which were taken by lines was 1,694,660 pounds, valued at \$67,786, and 1,306,816 pounds valued at \$41,818, respectively. Some silver salmon and other species were also taken with lines, but in minor quantities.

The lampara net fishery produced the greatest quantity; the total catch of this apparatus was 8,923,200 pounds, valued at \$46,151. The low value of the lampara catch is explained by the fact that nearly two-thirds of the amount taken were squid, which sold for about \$10 per ton, practically all of them being handled by one firm for drying for the Chinese trade.

Squid are dried by the sun-and-air process. A suitable plot is selected beyond the city limits, because the city authorities prohibit the work within the limits on account of the disagreeable odor and the burning off of the grass which is necessary, because the phosphoric acid and salt water in the squid would kill it and cause it to rot, thus rendering the ground unsuitable for drying. The squid are spread on the ground, turned and worked over every day until thoroughly dried. Under favorable conditions 10 to 12 days are sufficient time for drying. Under normal conditions the quantity of fresh squid reported would have yielded a larger percentage of the dried product, but certain conditions were unfavorable during the season, and some were lost.

Other species taken by lampara nets were sardines, 2,906,200 pounds, valued at \$14,531, and a small lot of anchovies and herring.

The seine catch was largely made up of sardines, which amounted to 1,100,000 pounds, valued at \$5,500. Small quantities of barracuda and squid were also taken with seines.

As stated above, this is the only county in the State in which abalone canning was done in 1915, except a small lot brought from Mexico and packed at a San Diego tuna plant. The catch, including those taken for the cannery and some by independent fishermen from Monterey, amounted to 547,424 pounds, valued at \$10,939. The abalone subsist on vegetable matter and are found only on rock bottom where there is a sufficient growth of vegetation to maintain them. Several varieties are found on the California coast, but the red abalone is the one with which we have to deal chiefly, as that is utilized for canning at Point Lobos. Other varieties are the green, black, pink, and corrugated. The red abalone is found from northern California to the Santa Barbara Island region. Only about 10 pe

ent of the red shells are suitable for commercial purposes. They are sold for manufacture into novelties and various kinds of ornaments.

As very few red abalones are exposed at low tide, and as they are not found in water deeper than will permit of the penetration of sufficient sunlight to support the vegetable growth on which the abalone depends for subsistence, they are mostly taken by divers, who use a regular diving outfit such as is employed by wreckers and other workers under water. A diving outfit, including the helmet, suit, air pumps, etc., costs about \$800. The divers are all Japanese, and they require that the pumps and life lines be operated by men of their own selection, who are generally some of their own people. The depth of the water in which they operate does not often exceed 125 feet, but they have worked at a depth of 150 feet. The greater the depth the more difficult it is to furnish air to the men, and it is not necessary to take risks, as there seems to be a sufficient supply of abalone at less depth. The divers rarely get out of sight of land, work only when the water is smooth, and frequently go out and return without making a descent or with only a part of a day's work done because of rough seas. A diver usually remains under water $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 hours and uses a short pointed iron, similar to a crowbar, to pry the abalone from the rocks. If one is expert enough to get the iron under the shell before the abalone has been disturbed and has had an opportunity to take hold of the rock, it is comparatively easy to capture it; otherwise it can take such a firm grip that it is very difficult to get it up with the iron and impossible to break the hold with the hands alone. The abalone are hauled up to the boat in carriers made with manila rope of about one-fourth inch diameter, one of which is attached to each end of a line suspended from the boat; as one carrier is raised the other is lowered. From one to two dozen are placed in each carrier, the weight averaging 45 pounds to a dozen.

For shoal-water fishing the fishermen use a small boat and hooked pole. To aid in locating the abalone they have a wooden box averaging about 8 by 11 inches at the top, widening toward the bottom to about 16 by 19 inches, and about 19 to 20 inches deep, the top being open and the bottom fitted with a glass. This box is attached to the side of the boat by strings, so that it may be easily removed when returning to port, with the bottom immersed so that the fisherman can get a good view of the ocean bottom as he peers through the glass. The poles vary in length from 1 to about 4 fathoms, as that is about the maximum depth of water fished in this way. The lower end is fitted with an iron hook, and the fisherman holding the pole in his hand can by a quick movement insert the hook under the edge of the shell and jerk it loose from the rock.

The law permits abalone fishing in this county at any time except during the month of February, when the abalone are protected because of spawning. The spawning period, however, is said to extend from about the middle of January until about the middle of March. It is estimated that an adult female will produce upward of one million eggs during the season. When liberated and fertilized, the eggs are said to float about for a time and then settle on the bottom for reproduction, and there is no doubt that many of them settle on sandy or soft bottom and are lost.

One hundred pounds of abalone in the shell will yield about 60 pounds of meat. When preparing for canning only about 30 per cent of the meat is used, the remainder being discarded as unfit for

packing. The meat as it comes from the shell is very tough, and is necessary to pound it well with sticks in order to break the fibre. Abalone were not taken in the southern counties of California during 1915 for commercial purposes, the law prohibiting having more than 10 of them in one's possession at one time, precluding any effort toward commercializing the fishery. In past years considerable quantities were taken in Los Angeles County.

Santa Cruz County.—The aggregate product of the fisheries of this county in 1915 was 3,952,257 pounds, valued at \$125,077. Nearly 50 per cent of this amount was sole, the catch of that species amounting to 1,892,600 pounds, valued at \$52,315. Flounders also contributed largely to this total, the catch being 746,935 pounds, valued at \$21,596. The entire catch of sole and flounders was taken in paranzella nets. "Lingcod," hake, kingfish, and other species are also taken in these nets.

With the exception of crabs, the gill-net catch of this county is of minor importance. The crab gill nets do not differ in general construction from any other. They are made of No. 6 cotton twine about 45 fathoms long, 15 feet deep, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ -inch mesh. They are put out in the evening, usually about six of the 45-fathom lengths in a string, and sunk so that the lead line is near the bottom with a buoy line attached to each end. They are permitted to drift during the night and are taken up in the morning. The method of fishing crabs has been in vogue for about four years and is usually quite remunerative. Crab lines are not used here, but a small number of crabs are taken in paranzella nets. The catch of crabs in 1915 was 233,473 pounds, valued at \$15,917.

Rockfishes and salmon constituted the bulk of the line catch. The rockfishes taken amounted to 378,478 pounds, fresh, valued at \$11,355, and 8,000 pounds, salted, valued at \$400. The catch of chinook salmon amounted to 100,592 pounds, valued at \$4,023, and that of silver salmon to 28,697 pounds, valued at \$1,147. Some "lingcod," sablefish, and kingfish were also taken by lines.

Octopi have been known to exist in this region for some time and have been taken in paranzella nets, but no special effort has been made to capture them until recently. A Santa Cruz fisherman constructed some traps for the purpose of catching crabs, but on lifting the traps found them filled with octopi instead of crabs and decided they could be taken in sufficient quantities to justify further efforts. These traps are made of galvanized wire of 1-inch mesh and are about 3 feet long, $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet high. They have openings in the top about 8 inches square for the entrance of the octopi, and doors in the end for the removal of the catch. The traps are baited with skates or any fish offal that is available, and are set singly with a buoy line attached to each. The season is chiefly during the winter and spring. The catch is shipped to San Francisco, where there is quite a demand from the Orientals, who consider this fish a delicacy. Only 6,000 pounds, valued at \$600, were taken during 1915, but there is every reason to believe that subsequent years will show a considerable increase in this business. Practically all the catch of this county is shipped to San Francisco by several wholesale dealers in Santa Cruz, and practically all the fishermen of the county hail from that point. The investment in the fisheries of the county for the year was \$71,275, and the total number of persons employed was 65.

Santa Barbara County.—The fisheries of this county produced 338,600 pounds, valued at \$41,130, in 1915 and are centered at Santa Barbara, where the only wholesale market in the county is located.

Santa Barbara Channel, located off this county, is the northern limit of spiny lobsters. They are taken in considerable numbers by fishermen camping on the islands in the channel, chiefly Ana Capa and Santa Cruz, and also by some fishing from Santa Barbara. This fishery contributed about 50 per cent of the total value of the products for the county, the catch amounting to 158,300 pounds, valued at \$20,729. The gill-net fishery contributed about 49 per cent of the total catch of the county.

Orange County.—This county, located on the southern coast of the State, between the two important fishing counties of Los Angeles and San Diego, is much more thinly settled and is comparatively unimportant in its fisheries. The fisheries are conducted from only two localities, Newport and Laguna Beach, and the products amounted to 988,980 pounds, valued at \$38,702. The most important form of apparatus was seines, the catch of which was over 25 per cent of the total quantity, and over 30 per cent of the total value for the county. Smelt constituted the bulk of the catch with this apparatus, the catch of this species amounting to 226,000 pounds, valued at \$11,300. The catch by lines, amounting to 261,380 pounds, valued at \$8,356, ranked next in both quantity and value, and barracuda and rockfishes were the most important species. The gill-net fishery, which amounted to 132,950 pounds, valued at \$4,795, was next in importance in value, with sea bass and barracuda the leading species. The catch with lampara nets was 198,000 pounds, valued at \$4,920, and consisted chiefly of rock bass and yellowtail. The trammel-net catch was all flounders and amounted to 132,250 pounds, valued at \$6,308. Spiny lobsters, worth \$2,093, and a small lot of hard clams were also taken by the fishermen of this county.

San Luis Obispo.—Although this county has quite an extensive coast line, it is very sparsely settled, and the commercial fisheries are of little importance when compared with some of the other coastal counties. Pismo and Morro are the only localities from which commercial fisheries are prosecuted. Clam forks, gill nets, and lines were the only forms of apparatus used. The total catch amounted to 197,856 pounds, valued at \$16,420. The catch taken with lines was 85,000 pounds of rockfishes, valued at \$3,400, which was greater in quantity than that with any other apparatus, but the value of the hard clams, taken with forks, amounted to more than 55 per cent of the total value of that species for the State. The quantity of hard clams taken was 34,856 pounds, valued at \$9,150.

Ventura County.—The product of the fisheries of this county amounted to 106,765 pounds, valued at \$5,443. Of the 27 counties in which commercial fisheries are conducted in California, this county is among the least important; there are only three counties in which the value of the catch was less than in Ventura, two of them being located on Sacramento River and one on the coast. The fishing is all done from Ventura, a small town of only a few thousand inhabitants, and the bulk of the catch consisted of smelt, taken with seines; flounders, taken with trammel nets; rockfishes and flounders, taken with lines; and spiny lobsters, which are always caught in pots.

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES.

	Alameda.		Butte.		Colusa.		Contra Costa.		Del Norte.		Glenn.		Humboldt.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
PERSONS ENGAGED.														
On vessels transporting.....							4							
In shore fisheries.....	58		40		58		444		141		26		208	
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	47		15		9		279		89		6		7	
Total.....	105		55		67		727		230		32		215	
INVESTMENT.														
Vessels transporting.....							2	\$5,500						
Tonnage.....							12							
Outfit.....								425						
Boats:														
Gasoline.....	12	\$14,900			1	\$400	84	51,700	9	\$4,050	1	\$200	14	\$7,200
Sail, row, etc.....	32	1,025	15	\$375	15	1,655	160	21,900	65	2,490	6	400	145	3,430
Apparatus, shore fisheries:														
Seines.....			13	1,300	9	675	6	625	2	700	5	425	9	750
Length in yards.....			1,755		825		1,170		440		550		1,570	
Gill nets.....	9	1,585					395	109,650	114	26,150	1	125	275	18,205
Length in yards.....	7,080						211,050		22,320		150		39,450	
Beam trawls.....	9	400												
Hoop nets.....									200	500			145	250
Dip nets.....													5	50
Lines.....		80				1								25
Dredges, tongs, hoes, etc.....		30								1				3
Fyke nets.....					35	330								
Shore and accessory property.....		80,850		2,200		1,625		136,200		51,680		800		400
Cash capital.....		16,500						18,000		25,000				
Total.....		115,370		3,875		4,686		344,000		110,571		1,950		30,313
PRODUCTS.														
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Carp.....					2,800	\$80	97,000	\$1,530						
Catfish.....					6,700	264								
Flounders: Fresh.....	5,000	\$150					16,000	238					51,548	\$1,858
Herring: Fresh.....							7,000	34					25,494	503
"Lingcod:" Fresh.....													2,609	104
Perch.....	2,000	180					12,000	400					15,000	410
Pike, Sacramento.....					400	20	4,600	90						
Rockfishes: Fresh.....													16,905	577

Salmon:															
Chinook, fresh.....	300	18	81,500	\$6,520	44,000	3,360	1,860,425	95,974	704,420	\$16,002	81,300	\$6,095	499,196	19,501	
Silver.....									190,398	3,730			86,072	3,304	
Steelhead trout.....													32,405	1,288	
Shad:															
Fresh.....							4,348,640	45,800							
Roe.....					1,500	145									
Sharks.....	65,000	163													
Smelts.....	31,500	2,175					12,000	780					39,889	1,688	
Sting-ray.....	605,000	1,512													
Striped bass.....	99,000	7,565	500	40	700	63	1,036,263	84,676		1,500	120				
Sturgeon.....			600	40	2,030	135				3,000	310		8,010	250	
Sturgeon roe.....			200	120	326	147				300	180				
Surf fish.....							1,400	28					20,000	600	
Miscellaneous fishes.....															
Clams:															
Hard.....													1,760	427	
Soft.....	21,250	5,950											6,280	1,250	
Mussels.....	130	35							2,650	180					
Oysters: Eastern, market.....													42	14	
Crabs.....									26,667	2,000			24,420	1,022	
Shrimp.....	263,000	4,850													
Total.....	1,092,180	22,598	82,800	6,720	58,456	4,214	7,395,328	229,550	924,135	21,912	86,100	6,705	829,630	32,796	

	Los Angeles.		Marin.		Mendocino.		Monterey.		Orange.		Sacramento.		San Diego.		
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	
PERSONS ENGAGED.															
On vessels fishing.....	114													37	
On vessels transporting.....	9						6								
In shore fisheries.....	825		166		40		171		56		162		336		
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	1,480		29				517		2		33		653		
Total.....	2,428		195		40		694		58		195		1,026		
INVESTMENT.															
Vessels fishing:	38	\$85,700												13	\$34,550
Tonnage.....	343													112	
Outfit.....		9,175													5,766
Vessels transporting:	6	21,800					3	\$12,500							
Tonnage.....	203						21								
Outfit.....		1,190						785							
Boats:															
Gasoline.....	324	\$21,800	52	\$20,900	11	\$4,300	124	76,000	19	\$17,150	68	\$16,000	135	196,250	
Sail, row, etc.....	40	1,115	53	3,350	41	925	19	5,700	10	290	83	11,340	27	721	

a Includes 2 scows of 146 net tons, valued at \$5,500.

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

	Los Angeles.		Marin.		Mendocino.		Monterey.		Orange.		Sacramento.		San Diego.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
INVESTMENT—continued.														
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:														
Seines.....	6	\$8,400												
Length in yards.....	3,600													
Gill nets.....	153	4,255												
Length in yards.....	10,600													
Pots.....	20	50											60	\$150
Lines.....	392													375
Lampara nets.....	1	400												
Paranzella nets.....	1	250												
Trammel nets.....	95	2,325											30	750
Length in yards.....	7,600												2,400	
Apparatus, shore fisheries:														
Seines.....			18	\$1,425			1	\$1,600	16	\$4,120				
Length in yards.....			2,220				320		4,800					
Gill nets.....	1,244	35,870	47	6,510	25	\$500	7	2,250	150	4,200	111	\$13,525	486	12,150
Length in yards.....	71,680		20,195		875		5,580		8,400		24,010		26,640	
Hoop nets.....			630	1,260										
Pots and traps.....	1,432	3,164							250	620			1,053	2,333
Lines.....		2,742		95		750		1,980		213				1,795
Dredges, tongs, hoes, etc.				281		5				5				
Lampara nets.....	37	14,800					20	11,200	1	400				
Paranzella nets.....	32	4,800												
Trammel nets.....	1,401	39,000	1	100					180	4,500			520	10,400
Length in yards.....	67,440		320						14,400				41,000	
Fyke nets.....											280	2,725		
Abalone outfit.....				1				1,636						800
Shore and accessory property.....		1,097,101		119,740		200		274,081		1,850		42,250		241,661
Cash capital.....		187,072		7,000				68,155		2,000		7,800		117,500
Total.....		2,041,401		160,662		6,681		455,887		35,348		93,640		625,201
PRODUCTS.														
Albacore (or tuna):	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Fresh.....	17,367,259	\$260,667							6,000	\$150			3,630,931	\$54,505
Salted.....													25,000	481
Anchovies:														
Fresh.....	12,585	130												
Salted.....							16,000	\$1,000						
Barracuda:														
Fresh.....	1,555,162	59,256					34,000	680	81,800	3,872			1,415,904	41,121
Salted.....													330,000	13,180
Bonito.....	370,844	10,840					2,000	50	2,950	88			42,462	774

Carp.....											43,201	\$554		
Catfish.....											91,646	3,888		
Croaker.....	3,150	65												
Flounders:														
Fresh.....	1,349,103	51,731	7,500	\$150	13,000	\$590	51,000	1,275	135,150	6,391			2,182,158	83,826
Salted.....							9,500	475						
Hake:														
Fresh.....									3,300	107				
Salted.....	17,322	571											24,000	960
Hardhead.....											42,237	2,122		
Herring:														
Fresh.....			210,000	1,390			1,000	20						
Salted.....			50,000	1,000										
Jewfish:														
Fresh.....	20,890	414					300	10	4,200	84			87,071	1,271
Salted.....													138,000	5,020
Kingfish.....	335,255	8,904					38,350	958	18,500	370			2,156	50
"Lingcod:" Fresh.....					1,000	40	103,000	2,060						
Mackerel:														
Fresh.....	174,481	5,031							63,500	1,270			10,805	216
Salted.....													6,450	259
Mullet.....									3,000	300				
Perch.....	44,268	1,014	97,500	1,965			6,000	300	5,500	165			217	5
Pike, Sacramento.....											4,887	171		
Pompano.....	15,690	1,568							850	85			229	27
Rock bass:														
Fresh.....	258,334	10,331							143,500	3,587			489,450	10,032
Salted.....													2,750	97
Rockfishes: Fresh.....	690,131	21,882	3,000	125	35,000	1,750	1,306,816	41,818	141,280	4,235			734,464	16,703
Sablefish.....							17,560	878						
Salmon:														
Chinook—														
Fresh.....	66,000	3,330	6,900	330	80,500	4,190	1,694,660	67,786			214,346	12,441		
Salted.....					20,000	2,400								
Chum.....	38,093	190												
Silver.....	12,330	370			26,500	1,060	70,000	2,800						
Sardines:														
Fresh.....	305,150	6,103					4,006,200	20,031	22,500	225				
Salted.....			1,400	80										
Sculpin.....	6,613	263							1,850	75				
Sea bass.....	446,064	16,953	70,500	3,500			13,360	547	35,200	1,735			261,703	8,351
Sea trout.....	464	23							3,500	105			119	5
Shad:														
Fresh.....											16,826	313		
Salted.....											10,000	125		
Roe.....											2,940	287		
Sharks.....	2,500	50												
Skates.....	6,000	120												
Smelts.....	97,737	4,168	78,600	3,900			5,314	425	226,000	11,300			115,707	5,597
Sole.....	19,692	591	50	2									679	19
Spanish mackerel.....	295,571	9,348											60,034	1,351
Split-tail.....											15,475	328		
Striped bass.....			26,900	2,165							34,354	2,839		

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

PRODUCTS—continued.	Los Angeles.		Marin.		Mendocino.		Monterey.		Orange.		Sacramento.		San Diego.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Sturgeon.....											620	\$49		
Surf fish.....			68,500	\$4,795										
Yellowtail:														
Fresh.....	679,868	\$18,876							73,500	\$2,205			337,898	\$4,954
Salted.....													124,500	4,743
Miscellaneous fishes.....	1,972	42	5,300	225							635	15	496	8
Abalone:														
Alive.....					3,035	\$97								
Meat.....			4,550	158	3,000	185	547,424	\$10,939					57,000	3,168
Shells.....			2,000	450									72,000	1,440
Pearls and blisters.....				40										
Clams:														
Hard.....	296	104	26,416	7,070			96	25	800	260				
Soft.....			11,880	4,422										
Mussels.....	4,820	578	120	8	3,500	200	1,810	110						
Oysters:														
Eastern, market.....			14,840	8,814										
Native, market.....			8,435	6,513										
Squid.....	21,325	426					6,140,000	30,700						
Crabs.....			168,600	16,494			17,210	129						
Spiny lobsters.....	201,094	20,415							16,100	2,093			500,313	84,726
Turtles.....	184	9												
Kelp.....	3,000,000	1,500											20,000,000	1,000
Other seaweeds.....							3,799	190						
Total.....	27,420,247	515,863	862,991	63,596	185,535	10,512	14,085,399	183,806	988,980	38,702	477,167	23,132	12,652,996	343,919

PERSONS ENGAGED.	San Francisco.		San Joaquin.		San Luis Obispo.		San Mateo.		Santa Barbara.		Santa Cruz.		Shasta.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
On vessels fishing.....	392										4			
On vessels transporting.....	9								2					
In shore fisheries.....	552		137		54		8		74		55		20	
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	261		29				32		8		6			
Total.....	1,214		166		54		40		84		65		20	

Vessels fishing.....	19	\$223,625								1	\$6,000			
Tonnage.....	2,721									11				
Outfit.....		36,050									1,500			
Vessels transporting.....	5	19,500						1	\$2,000					
Tonnage.....	68							6						
Outfit.....		1,525							100					
Boats:														
Gasoline.....	290	259,710	57	\$25,825	5	\$1,400	3	\$2,275	14	17,400	45	37,775		
Sail, row, etc.....	105	8,805	60	5,950	4	200			31	1,295	8	245	6	
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:														
Lines.....		775												
Paranzella nets.....	6	2,250									1	400		
Apparatus, shore fisheries:														
Seines.....	21	2,025	12	1,335			1	5					3	
Length in yards.....	1,075		1,575				5						420	
Gill nets.....	271	54,450	130	25,120	28	1,072			156	5,004	180	5,000		
Length in yards.....	38,300		41,550		2,144				10,018		14,400			
Hoop nets.....	3,800	11,400					20	60						
Pots and traps.....									1,310	2,720	12	60		
Lines.....		2,300				75		4		20		460		
Dredges, tongs, hoes, etc.....		776				52		3					3	
Lampara nets.....	6	2,700												
Paranzella nets.....											4	1,300		
Trammel nets.....									85	2,125				
Length in yards.....									2,800					
Bag nets.....	70	2,000												
Fyke nets.....			1,900	16,585										
Abalone outfit.....												20		
Shore and accessory property.....		499,450		29,875		300		58,632		10,950		11,015	500	
Cash capital.....		57,000		8,300				5,000		5,000		7,500		
Total.....		184,341		112,990		3,099		65,979		46,614		71,275		963
PRODUCTS.														
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Anchovies: Fresh.....	68,800	\$1,600												
Barracuda: Fresh.....	5,000	200			3,000	\$120			162,000	\$6,210	5,780	\$231		
Bonito.....									30,000	870				
Carp.....	120,000	2,400	63,286	\$1,474										
Catfish.....			328,787	16,338										
Cod, salted.....	4,952,692	161,695												
Flounders: Fresh.....	2,227,919	37,217							115,500	3,855	746,935	21,596		
Hake: Fresh.....	160,350	704							6,650	219	33,630	336		
Hardhead.....			4,674	146										
Herring: Fresh.....	500,000	5,000									890	19		
Jewfish: Fresh.....									4,000	80				
Kingfish.....	91,785	2,057							2,000	40	162,457	4,873		
"Lingcod:"														
Fresh.....	340,151	8,721									121,400	3,642		
Salted.....											3,500	175		

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PRODUCTS—continued.	San Francisco.		San Joaquin.		San Luis Obispo.		San Mateo.		Santa Barbara.		Santa Cruz.		Shasta.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Mackerel: Fresh.....									5,000	\$145	113	\$6		
Perch.....	16,450	\$1,250							1,000	20	6,000	300		
Pike, Sacramento.....			4,960	\$129										
Pompano.....	1,894	284									687	68		
Rock bass: Fresh.....									4,000	160				
Rockfishes:														
Fresh.....	852,300	40,519			85,000	\$3,400	18,000	\$550	24,000	768	388,278	11,649		
Salted.....											8,000	400		
Sablefish.....	39,920	130									7,023	351		
Salmon:														
Chinook, Fresh.....	136,000	7,500	200,409	10,390							119,592	4,783	19,750	\$1,147
Silver.....											29,897	1,195		
Sardines: Fresh.....	30,925	1,052							1,000	20	21,931	220		
Sculpin.....											350	7		
Sea bass.....	256,325	12,871	1,250	50					50,000	1,900	86,860	3,474		
Sea trout.....									2,000	80				
Shad:														
Fresh.....	1,600,000	9,000	636,820	8,047							478	24		
Roe.....			17,898	1,619										
Sharks.....	472	23												
Skates.....	164,050	672									7,600	76		
Smelts.....	374,000	15,295			75,000	3,750	1,500	60	16,325	865	30,000	1,200		
Sole.....	3,848,908	55,327									1,892,600	52,315		
Spanish mackerel.....									41,300	826				
Splittail.....			1,466	55										
Striped bass.....	283,000	24,000	69,646	5,898							350	17	1,247	142
Sturgeon.....			59	5										
Sturgeon roe.....			22	11										
Tomcod.....	33,112	587									8,800	352		
Whitebait.....	56,250	2,250												
Yellowtail: Fresh.....									3,150	88				
Miscellaneous fishes.....	6,000	150	1,375	70										
Abalone: Alive.....											20,991	420		
Clams:														
Hard.....					34,856	9,150					1,032	272		
Soft.....	23,000	5,300												
Mussels.....	6,000	1,200					2,200	700						
Oysters: Eastern, market.....	360,892	156,745									210	15		
Octopus.....	18,909	1,573									13,400	1,144		
Squid.....	50,000	1,500												
Crabs.....	934,985	91,972					4,800	600			233,473	15,917		
Spiney lobsters.....									158,300	20,729				

Shrimp.....	35,000	700	22	4											
Turtles.....										9,375	4,120				
Sea lion.....															
Cod tongues.....	7,400	370								3,000	135				
Other seaweeds.....															
Total.....	17,602,489	649,864	1,330,674	44,236	197,856	16,420	26,500	1,910	638,600	41,130	3,952,257	125,077	20,997	1,289	

	Solano.		Sonoma.		Sutter.		Tehama.		Ventura.		Yolo.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
PERSONS ENGAGED.														
On vessels fishing.....									4				551	
On vessels transporting.....	5												35	
In shore fisheries.....	384		35		20			110			92		4,282	
On shore, in canneries, etc.....	39						39				4		3,584	
Total.....	428		35		20		149		14		96		8,452	
INVESTMENT.														
Vessels fishing.....									2	\$4,500			73	\$354,375
Tonnage.....									11				3,198	
Outfit.....										300				52,791
Vessels transporting.....	3	\$10,700											20	72,000
Tonnage.....	20												330	
Outfit.....		1,485												5,510
Boats:														
Gasoline.....	110	61,200	8	\$5,475	5	\$1,200					38	\$8,000	1,429	1,351,110
Sail, row, etc.....	163	28,500	12	275	8	180	24	\$545	5	250	32	3,745	1,169	104,816
Apparatus, vessel fisheries:														
Seines.....							1	150					7	8,550
Length in yards.....							100						3,700	
Gill nets.....													153	
Length in yards.....													10,600	4,255
Pots.....									40	80			120	280
Lines.....										20				1,562
Lampara nets.....													1	400
Paranzella nets.....													8	2,900
Trammel nets.....													125	3,075
Length in yards.....													10,000	
Apparatus, shore fisheries:														
Seines.....			1	200	3	375	22	2,925	2	300	3	350	147	19,485
Length in yards.....			150		450		3,235		200		435		21,195	
Gill nets.....	259	82,450	6	1,800	12	1,500	2	225			60	6,250	950	413,591
Length in yards.....	39,200		3,000		2,040		300				11,080		799,552	
Beam trawls.....													9	400
Hoop nets.....			65	115									4,860	13,585
Dip nets.....			6	14									11	64

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	Solano.		Sonoma.		Sutter.		Tehama.		Ventura.		Yolo.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
INVESTMENT—continued.														
Apparatus, shore fisheries—Contd.														
Pots and traps.....									130	\$260			4,187	\$9,157
Lines.....				\$255						50				10,849
Dredges, tongs, hoes, etc.....				11										1,170
Lampara nets.....													64	29,100
Paranzella nets.....													36	6,100
Trammel nets.....									8	200			2,195	56,325
Length in yards.....									640				126,600	
Bag nets.....													70	2,000
Fyke nets.....					50	\$350					220	\$1,650	2,485	21,640
Abalone outfit.....				2										2,460
Shore and accessory property.....		\$60,625		585		200		\$3,170				5,450		2,731,390
Cash capital.....		10,000										3,500		545,327
Total.....		254,960		8,732		3,805		6,865		6,610		28,945		5,824,263
PRODUCTS.														
Albacore (or tuna):	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Fresh.....									20,000	300			21,024,190	\$315,622
Salted.....													25,000	481
Anchovies:														
Fresh.....													81,385	1,730
Salted.....													16,000	1,600
Barracuda:														
Fresh.....													3,262,646	111,690
Salted.....													330,000	13,180
Bonito.....													448,256	12,622
Carp.....					11,802	\$131							350,815	6,366
Catfish.....					49,346	2,021	275	\$11			12,726	\$197	40,300	1,777
Cod, salted.....													517,054	24,299
Croaker.....													4,952,692	161,695
Flounders:													3,150	65
Fresh.....														
Salted.....			1,500	\$60					11,250	\$354			6,914,063	209,291
Hake:													9,500	475
Fresh.....													221,252	1,937
Salted.....													24,000	960
Hardhead.....					1,724	126					24,788	1,228	73,423	3,622
Herring:														
Fresh.....			20,000	150									764,384	7,116
Salted.....													50,000	1,000

PERSONS ENGAGED, INVESTMENT, AND PRODUCTS OF THE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES—Continued.

PRODUCTS—continued.	Solano.		Sonoma.		Sutter.		Tehama.		Ventura.		Yolo.		Total.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Yellowtail:														
Fresh.....													1,094,416	\$26,123
Salted.....													124,500	4,743
Miscellaneous fishes.....					54	\$1							17,232	539
Abalone:														
Alive.....													24,026	517
Meat.....			119,000	\$2,380									730,974	16,830
Shells.....													74,000	1,890
Pearls and blisters.....				1,200										1,240
Clams:														
Hard.....			600	275									65,856	17,583
Soft.....			2,550	485									67,160	18,107
Mussels.....													19,240	2,326
Oysters:														
Eastern, market.....													375,774	165,573
Native, market.....													8,435	6,513
Octopus.....													32,309	2,717
Squid.....													6,211,325	32,626
Crabs.....			4,000	300									1,414,155	128,434
Crawfish.....			550	265									550	265
Spiny lobsters.....									16,585	\$2,156			892,392	130,119
Shrimp.....													298,000	5,550
Turtles.....													206	13
Sea lion.....													9,375	4,120
Cod tongues.....													7,400	370
Kelp.....													5,000,000	2,500
Other seaweed.....													6,799	325
Total.....	1,567,434	\$81,393	243,150	9,325	73,645	2,921	186,839	\$13,221	106,765	5,443	249,553	\$10,448	93,338,703	2,506,702

PRODUCTS BY APPARATUS.

Many different forms of apparatus are used in the fisheries of California. Some of these, introduced by Italians, are similar to those used by them in their native country. Among these may be mentioned the paranzella net and lampara net, with which large catches are made. The different forms of apparatus will be described briefly in the order of their importance, based on the value of the catch. While pound nets rank as one of the important forms of apparatus used in the fisheries of Washington and Oregon, none was used in California in either 1915 or 1904.

Lines.—Lines rank first both in the quantity and value of the catch which, in 1915, amounted to 34,872,139 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$681,825. Of this output 28,431,372 pounds, were taken in the shore, and the remainder in the vessel, fisheries. As compared with the last canvass by this Bureau for 1904, there is shown an increase of nearly 235 per cent in quantity and 149 per cent in value. This extraordinary increase may be traced mainly to the development of the albacore, or tuna, canning industry, which was in its infancy in 1904. A noticeable increase is also shown in the output of rockfishes and chinook salmon. The albacore fishery is confined almost exclusively to Los Angeles and San Diego Counties, the former furnishing more than 82 per cent of the State's catch. The line fisheries of Monterey County are of noticeable importance and are divided between the hand-line or trolling fishery for chinook salmon and the trawl-line fishery for rockfishes. Most of the other species are taken incidentally along with the two just named. Trolling for chinook salmon in Monterey Bay has developed into an important industry within recent years. Power boats are commonly used in this fishery. Two poles, one a little longer than the other, are generally set in sockets on each side of the boat, while two lines are set from the stern. As the boat moves slowly forward these lines are put out and in the above positions are clear of each other. To the other end of each pole is suspended a small tin can with a few pebbles in it. When a fish is hooked its struggles cause the pebbles in the can to rattle, and the fisherman then takes in the pole and pulls the fish in hand over hand.

The trolling in Santa Cruz and Mendocino Counties also is worthy of mention. The trolling, as well as most of the other fishing from these two counties, is followed from Santa Cruz and Fort Bragg, respectively.

Gill nets.—Gill nets rank next to lines in the value of their catch, the latter in 1915 amounting to 21,317,668 pounds, valued at \$676,062, credited mostly to the shore fisheries. As compared with 1904, an increase of 4,280,643 pounds in quantity and \$54,974 in value is shown, the increase in quantity being traced mainly to the shad fishery of the Sacramento River. This species, however, did not give a proportionately increased value to the fisheries. There was a decided decline in the catch of chinook salmon with gill nets, but this was made up by increased catches of other species. Notwithstanding its decline, chinook salmon was still the most valuable species taken with gill nets in California, followed in importance by the striped bass, barracuda, shad, sea bass, and smelt. About 32 species were taken with this apparatus, but those already mentioned

constituted the bulk of the catch. The Sacramento River, together with San Pablo and Suisun Bays, furnished the bulk of the gill-net catch of the State. While drift gill nets were used in a small way as far up the Sacramento River as Corning, Tehama County, they cease to be important as an apparatus above Verona in Sutter County. The length of drift gill nets varies from those measuring 170 yards each used for chinook salmon along the upper portion of the river, those measuring 450 yards each, used for shad near the mouth of the river. The nets used for chinook salmon and striped bass near the mouth of the river average about 385 and 420 yards, respectively. In Suisun and San Pablo Bays, nets as long as 800 yards are used for striped bass, shad, and chinook salmon. Those for chinook salmon are from 40 to 45 meshes deep; those for striped bass from 30 to 6 meshes, and those for shad from 60 to 65 meshes. The size of mesh varies in the salmon net from $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches to $9\frac{3}{4}$ inches; in the striped bass net it is commonly about $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches; and in the shad net from $5\frac{1}{2}$ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches, but more often of the latter size.

The bulk of the gill netting credited to Del Monte County was done in the Klamath River, from its mouth to a point 6 miles above. A cannery at Requa utilizes most of the catch. The chinook salmon run from March 1 to September 1, with a few in October, while the silver salmon run from September 20 to the last week in October. The nets on this river average 200 yards in length and 30 to 35 meshes deep. The mesh varies from $6\frac{1}{2}$ to 9 inches, but more of the smaller size are used.

Gill nets constitute the most valuable apparatus used in Humboldt County, a very large percentage of the catch being taken with them. The Eel River is the only stream of any importance in the county. Practically all of the fishing in this river is done between the mouth and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles above. The drift gill nets used on the river average about 150 yards in length, and from 28 to 32 meshes deep. The mesh for chinook is $9\frac{1}{2}$ to $9\frac{3}{4}$ inches, while that for silver salmon and steelhead is $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The fishing is done from October 7 to December 7. The same fishermen in some instances fish in both the Klamath and Eel Rivers.

Paranzella nets.—Paranzella or trawl nets are used both in the vessel and shore fisheries of California, but the catch in the former is much more important. The fishing is confined to the Pacific Ocean from San Francisco, Santa Cruz, and Los Angeles Counties, that from the first-named county being much the more important. In 1911 the total catch amounted to 9,707,373 pounds, valued at \$193,368 as compared with 5,637,561 pounds, valued at \$104,602, in 1904. Many species are taken, but sole and flounders constitute more than 90 per cent of the catch.

The paranzella, a somewhat primitive style of net, was introduced in California by Italian fishermen in 1877. It consists of a flat, triangular bag of webbing, doubtless developed from a beach seine or bag net, with a wide but low mouth. The net rapidly narrows from the wide mouth to the cod end of the bag, which is so arranged that it can be unlaced to discharge the catch when it is hoisted aboard the boat. The nets are constructed of heavy cotton twine. The forward part of the bag is of about 4-inch mesh, the middle part still smaller, and the cod end of much heavier twine.

has a 1½-inch mesh. The mouth of the net when fishing has a spread of about 50 feet.

When the nets were first introduced they were operated with small sailboats, were necessarily of small dimensions, and dragged within San Francisco Bay and in the shallow water alongshore just outside the harbor. Later, or about 1888, steam tugs, with larger nets were employed, and the San Francisco paranzella fishery was soon in the hands of a few companies, constituting the principal wholesale fish dealers of the city.

In fishing a paranzella the steamers work in pairs and follow parallel courses about one-half mile apart, each towing one end of the net. Occasionally two nets were towed by three steamers, the center one towing an end of two nets. The drags are made either with or against the current; otherwise the net would drift sidewise and not fish properly. Two drags are usually made each day, frequently only one, the duration of a drag being 1½ to 2 hours. A crew of 4 or 5 men is carried on one of the steamers, and from 10 to 14 on the other, the latter being the one on which the net is lifted. When a drag is completed the net is hauled in by steam winches and lifted aboard by means of a derrick. Frequently the weight of the fish is so great that some of them have to be removed with a long-handled dip net before the net is lifted aboard, to prevent tearing it. Several extra nets are always carried aboard the boat.

The fishing is practically all done outside the 3-mile limit and in from 25 to 55 fathoms of water. Of the two grounds most resorted to by San Francisco vessels one lies 4 to 8 miles southwest of Point Rizes and the other about 8 miles south of the lightship off the entrance to San Francisco Harbor. The catches are not so large during the winter, the supposition being that the fish have moved out into deeper water during the period of rough weather.

While steamers are used almost entirely from San Francisco, in Santa Cruz and Los Angeles Counties only gasoline boats are used.

Trammel nets.—The catch with trammel nets in 1915 amounted to 3,510,154 pounds, valued at \$134,766, showing a decline in quantity since 1904 of 261,357 pounds, but an increase in value of \$59,-301. The catch was made up of flounders, barracuda, and perch, but flounders comprised 88 per cent of the total. The use of these nets is confined mainly to the counties in southern California, San Diego County furnishing the largest quantity. The fishing is all done in the Pacific Ocean, nearly nine-tenths of the catch being credited to the shore fisheries.

The trammel nets used in this State are similar in construction to those in general use elsewhere, consisting of three nets instead of one, as in a gill net. The two outer nets have a 23-inch mesh and hang about 12 feet deep. The inner web has a 9-inch mesh and hangs about 16 feet deep. The two outer nets are of No. 12 cotton twine and the middle one of No. 9. The nets are from 72 to 80 yards long, and about 20 are usually tied together and fished as one net. They are set at right angles but not immediately adjoining the shore. An anchor weighing 25 pounds and a buoy, usually a 4-gallon keg, are placed at each end of the net. The lead line, weighted with about 25 pounds of lead, rests on the bottom. The nets are set either during the day or night and ordinarily remain out about 24 hours before lifting. They are commonly set a short distance from shore in from

12 to 15 fathoms of water, but occasionally they are set as far as 4 or 5 miles in 25 fathoms. The fishing is done at almost any time during the year.

Pots and traps.—The catch with pots and traps in 1915 amounted to 909,426 pounds, having a value to the fishermen of \$131,111. More than 98 per cent of the output was spiny lobsters, the remainder consisting of a few perch, rock bass, sea bass, and octopi. The use of these forms of apparatus is confined to the more southern counties of the State. The lobster pots are set on the kelp near the shore, where the lobsters seem to gather for protection during warm weather; but when it gets colder they move into deep water, and the fishermen follow them with their pots. The pots are made of laths, usually about 3 feet long, 30 to 32 inches wide at the bottom, narrowing to about 12 inches at the top, and about 12 inches high. They are set singly, with a buoy line attached to each pot in water varying in depth from 3 to 20 fathoms. When fishing in the deeper water it is often necessary to use from 40 to 60 pounds of ballast to a single pot.

Hoop nets.—With the exception of a few crawfish taken in a small stream in Sonoma County, the use of hoop nets was confined exclusively to taking crabs, the catch of which in 1915 amounted to 1,157,567 pounds, valued at \$111,930, all of which were taken in the shore fisheries. Crabs are taken as far north as Del Monte County, but practically none were taken commercially south of San Francisco from which place and vicinity most of the fishing was done. The nets are similar to those used in Washington. They are set in the Pacific Ocean, usually within a mile offshore, but a few are set as far as 9 miles out. It is customary to have an interval of 150 yards between the nets. Herring, perch, or shiners are used for bait and are placed in a small, brass-wire cage fastened to the center of the net. The hoops of the net are painted to prevent them from rusting and rotting the twine.

Lampara nets.—The total catch with lampara nets in 1915 amounted to 10,989,512 pounds, valued at \$106,906, of which squid contributed about 55 per cent and sardines nearly 30 per cent of the weight. The remainder of the catch was made up of 16 other species. Lampara nets were used in San Francisco, Monterey, Los Angeles, and Orange Counties only. This net is said to have originated in Italy and was introduced into California by fishermen from that country. It is constructed somewhat on the principle of a common haul, or beach, seine, except that the lead line is shorter than the cork line, which creates a bag or bunt in the back of the net for the collection of the fish. The average length of this net is about 120 yards and the depth 35 to 50 feet. The bag, which is about 10 feet long, is made of No. 20-6 cable-laid twine, and the remainder of No. 6 cotton thread. The bunt has a 1-inch mesh, the next 5 feet of the net have a 4-inch mesh, the next 120 feet an 8-inch mesh, and the remainder an 18-inch mesh. A line, 15 fathoms long, of No. 15 manila rope, is attached to each end of the net. The twine used, the size of mesh, and also the manner of construction differ according to the individual ideas of the fishermen.

A lampara net is always hauled into a boat instead of on the beach. The fishing is usually done in shallow water, as it is desired that the lead line be on or close to the bottom. From three to five men

with one and sometimes two skiffs are necessary to operate the net. When operated with one boat, the method is as follows: When a school of fish is sighted one end of the net, with a buoy and sometimes an anchor attached, is thrown out. The boat is then rowed in a circle around the fish, the net in the meanwhile being let out as the boat moves. When the buoy or starting point is reached an anchor is thrown out from the side of the boat away from the net to prevent the latter from being interfered with by the boat. Some of the men then begin pulling in from the bow and others from the stern of the boat until the bag is alongside, when the fish are dipped out. The net is then overhauled and made ready for another layout. It is sometimes fished from two boats by first dropping the bag of the net overboard, then the boats, each with its share of the net, being rowed in opposite directions, until the boats meet after making a circle. The men in the boats then exchange ends of the net and anchor the boats, after which they begin pulling in, keeping the wings crossed as they pull, until the bag reaches the space between the two boats. It takes at least four men with two boats to haul the net in this manner, which is followed mostly by the Japanese in the lower part of California.

Seines.—The output with seines in 1915 amounted to 3,537,965 pounds, with a value to the fishermen of \$98,394. Of this amount, 2,968,737 pounds were taken in the shore, and the remainder in the vessel, fisheries. As compared with 1904, there was a decrease of 551,446 pounds in quantity, but an increase of \$5,030 in value. Seines were operated in 19 of the 27 counties of the State having fisheries, but sardines taken in the shore fisheries of Monterey County constituted more than 31 per cent of the total seine catch. Chinook salmon taken in the counties bordering on the Sacramento River and smelt taken mainly in the ocean are also worthy of mention. Besides those mentioned, 30 other species were taken with seines. The seines used in the vessel fisheries were mostly purse seines, and averaged about 528 yards each in length, while those in the shore fisheries were mostly haul seines and averaged only 132 yards each in length.

Fyke nets.—Fyke nets are fished only in five counties of the State, all located on the Sacramento River and its tributary, the San Joaquin River. The latter river was much the more important of the two. The total catch in 1915 amounted to 598,776 pounds, valued at \$26,327, as compared with a catch in 1904 of 541,123 pounds, valued at \$15,285, showing an increase both in quantity and value, but especially the latter. In both years the catch consisted mainly of catfish, though small quantities of five other species were taken. The fyke net commonly used has five hoops, the largest being 5 feet and the smallest 2 feet in diameter, the total length of the net being 10 feet. The bait, which in fishing for catfish commonly consists of salt shad, is placed in a small knit bag at the end of the fyke net.

Abalone outfit.—The output with abalone outfits in 1915 consisted of 24,026 pounds of live abalone, valued at \$517; 730,974 pounds of abalone meat, valued at \$16,830; 74,000 pounds of abalone shells valued at \$1,890; and \$1,240 worth of pearls and blisters, the total quantity amounting to 829,000 pounds, valued at \$20,477, as compared with 833,678 pounds, valued at \$10,873, in 1904. The tables show a very large decrease in abalone sold alive, but an increase in

abalone meat, as compared with 1904. There has been an increase in abalone shells, but a decrease in pearls sold. Los Angeles supported an abalone industry in 1904, but laws passed since then have practically prohibited a continuation of the industry.

Kelp harvesters.—Kelp harvesters were employed in only three counties—Los Angeles, San Diego, and Ventura. The total output of kelp in 1915 amounted to 5,000,000 pounds, having a value of \$2,500,000. No comparison can be made with any previous report, as the industry has developed since the outbreak of the European war, when the importation of potash from Germany ceased.

Dredges, tongs, rakes, forks, etc.—These forms of apparatus were employed only in the shore fisheries, the catch consisting of clams, oysters, mussels, turtles, and seaweed. The total value of these products in 1915 amounted to \$210,436. As compared with the output of corresponding apparatus used in 1904, there was a decrease of \$453,655 in value, this being due mainly to the decline in both the native and eastern oysters.

Miscellaneous apparatus.—Under this heading are included beam trawls, spears, dip nets, and nets for catching sea lion. The total catch in 1915 with all of these forms of apparatus combined amounted to 365,125 pounds, with a value of \$12,065. The output consisted of chinook salmon, surf fish, shrimp, and sea lion.

The beam trawls are used only in Alameda County, the output consisting entirely of shrimp, taken in San Francisco Bay. The total catch in 1915 amounted to 263,000 pounds, valued at \$4,850. The beam trawls are ordinarily used from gasoline launches of about 6 horsepower and are similar in construction to those used in Washington, except that they are smaller. The beam is about 18 feet long, and the iron shoes upon which it rests raise it 18 inches above the bottom. The bag is made of flax twine knit by Chinese. The fishing is commonly done in about 2 fathoms of water.

The use of spears is confined to Shasta County, the catch of chinook salmon with this apparatus being unimportant.

Dip nets are used in Humboldt and Sonoma Counties, the catch in both counties consisting entirely of surf fish. The total output in 1915 amounted to 57,000 pounds, valued at \$2,320. The fishing is done entirely in the ocean. The fisherman stands at the edge of the surf and holds his net under it as it is breaking, no boat being used. The net used in Humboldt County, when made to order, costs about \$10. It is triangular in shape, two of the sides consisting of wooden strips 8 feet long connected at their outer ends by a string. The netting attached to this frame sags a little below it to hold the fish. A short distance from the point of intersection, and connecting the two strips of the frame, is nailed a short strip, which serves as a handle for the net.

YIELD OF THE VESSEL FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS.

Apparatus and species.	Los Angeles.		San Diego.		San Francisco.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Lines:						
Albacore (or tuna).....	25,000	\$375				
Barracuda.....	158,700	6,045				
Bonito.....	18,020	515				
Mackerel.....	12,010	346				
Perch.....	5,790	115				
Salmon: ^a						
Chinook.....	66,000	3,330				
Chum.....	38,093	190				
Silver.....	12,330	370				
Sea bass.....	85,000	3,242				
Spanish mackerel.....	23,285	658				
Yellowtail.....	108,300	2,918				
Total.....	552,528	18,104				
Drift nets:						
Barracuda.....	328,000	12,706				
Bonito.....	825	24				
Perch.....	1,500	30				
Mackerel.....	4,400	122				
Sea bass.....	7,900	291				
Smelt.....	4,650	244				
Spanish mackerel.....	32,100	925				
Total.....	379,375	14,342				
Traps: Spiny lobsters.....	4,020	520	20,000	\$2,630		
Lines:						
Albacore (or tuna).....	820,845	12,295	179,000	2,675		
Barracuda, salted.....			130,000	5,200		
Cod, salted.....					4,952,692	\$161,695
Hake, salted.....			24,000	960		
Jewishfish, salted.....			88,000	3,520		
Rockfishes.....			71,000	1,420		
Spanish mackerel.....	53,100	1,565	11,000	400		
Yellowtail, salted.....			69,000	2,760		
Cod tongues.....					7,400	370
Total.....	873,945	13,860	572,000	16,935	4,960,092	162,065
Paranet nets:						
Flounders.....	21,185	605			2,027,919	36,617
Hake.....					160,350	704
Kingfish.....					78,385	1,657
"Lingcod".....					39,048	971
Pompano.....					559	84
Rockfishes.....					26,800	864
Sablefish.....					39,920	130
Sardines.....					125	2
Sea bass.....					11,325	671
Sharks.....					472	23
Skates.....					164,050	672
Sole.....					3,830,050	54,950
Tomcod.....					33,112	587
Octopus.....					227	18
Crabs.....					5,905	458
Total.....	21,185	605			6,418,247	98,408
Paranet nets:						
Barracuda.....	15,000	585				
Kingfish.....	4,500	90				
Mackerel.....	3,200	82				
Spanish mackerel.....	7,000	200				
Yellowtail.....	15,000	420				
Total.....	44,700	1,377				
Paranet nets: Flounders.....	251,500	8,485	81,500	2,403		
Kelp harvesters: Kelp.....	3,000,000	1,500	2,000,000	1,000		
Grand total.....	5,127,253	58,793	2,673,500	22,968	11,378,339	260,473

^a The salmon were taken by a California vessel fishing in the Columbia River.

YIELD OF THE VESSEL FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES AND APPARATUS—Continued.

Apparatus and species.	Santa Cruz.		Ventura.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Seine:						
Albacore (or tuna).....					25,000	6
Barracuda.....					158,700	6
Bonito.....					18,025	1
Kingfish.....			3,300	\$54	3,300	1
Mackerel.....					12,010	1
Perch.....					5,790	1
Salmon:*						
Chinook.....					66,000	3,1
Chum.....					38,000	1
Silver.....					12,330	1
Sea bass.....					65,000	3,1
Smelt.....			13,500	715	13,500	1
Spanish mackerel.....					23,285	1
Yellowtail.....					108,300	2,4
Total.....			16,700	779	509,228	18,1
Gill nets:						
Barracuda.....					328,000	12,7
Bonito.....					825	1
Perch.....					1,500	1
Mackerel.....					4,400	1
Sea bass.....					7,900	1
Smelt.....					4,650	1
Spanish mackerel.....					32,100	1
Total.....					379,375	14,3
Pots: Spiny lobsters.....			7,900	1,027	31,920	4,1
Lines:						
Albacore (or tuna).....			20,000	300	1,019,845	15,2
Barracuda, salted.....					130,000	5,2
Cod, salted.....					4,952,692	161,1
Hake, salted.....					24,000	9
Jewish fish, salted.....					88,000	3,5
Rockfishes.....			14,750	471	138,400	3,4
Spanish mackerel.....					11,000	4
Yellowtail, salted.....					69,000	2,7
Cod tongues.....					7,400	3
Total.....			34,750	771	6,440,767	190,6
Parasella nets:						
Flournders.....	158,800	\$4,660			2,207,904	41,8
Hake.....	7,600	76			167,950	7,5
Kingfish.....	30,200	906			108,585	2,9
"Lingcod".....	8,800	264			47,848	1,2
Pompano.....					559	1
Rockfishes.....	9,800	294			36,600	1,1
Sablefish.....	200	10			40,120	1,4
Sardines.....					125	1
Sea bass.....					11,325	6
Sharks.....					472	1
Skates.....	7,000	70			171,050	7,7
Sole.....	339,400	8,485			4,169,450	63,6
Tomcod.....	8,800	332			41,912	1,9
Octopus.....	2,400	144			2,627	19
Crabs.....	9,614	655			15,519	1,1
Total.....	582,614	15,916			7,022,046	114,9
Lampara nets:						
Barracuda.....					15,000	5
Kingfish.....					4,500	1
Mackerel.....					3,200	1
Spanish mackerel.....					7,000	2
Yellowtail.....					15,000	4
Total.....					44,700	1,37
Trammel nets: Flournders.....					333,000	10,8
Kelp harvesters: Kelp.....					5,000,000	2,50
Grand total.....	582,614	15,916	59,330	2,577	19,821,036	360,72

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS.

BY SEINES.

Species.	Butte.		Colusa.		Contra Costa.		Del Norte.		Glenn.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
carp.....			2,300	\$45	68,000	\$1,020				
cloublers.....					9,000	133				
erring: Fresh.....					4,500	22				
erch.....					10,500	340				
almon:										
Chinook.....	81,500	\$6,520	44,000	3,360	600	18	49,420	\$1,235	80,000	\$6,000
Silver.....							15,552	233		
had roe.....			1,500	145						
iners.....					1,400	28				
melt.....					10,000	680				
triped bass.....	500	40	700	63					1,500	120
turgeon.....	600	40	2,030	135					3,000	310
turgeon roe.....	200	120	326	147					300	180
Total.....	82,800	6,720	50,856	3,895	104,000	2,241	64,972	1,468	84,800	6,610

Species.	Humboldt.		Marin.		Monterey.		Orange.		San Francisco.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
anchovies.....									32,800	\$1,375
arracuda.....					34,000	\$680				
cloublers.....	1,315	\$37	7,500	\$150						
erring:										
Fresh.....	25,494	503	180,000	1,175						
Salted.....			50,000	1,000						
ingfish.....							18,500	\$370	1,700	50
ullet.....							3,000	300		
erch.....	15,000	410	85,000	1,710					15,000	1,200
almon: Chinook.....	29	1								
ardines:										
Fresh.....					1,100,000	5,500			15,200	725
Salted.....			1,400	80						
iners.....			4,000	70					6,000	150
melt.....	15,524	674	13,600	775			226,000	11,300	1,000	45
triped bass.....			2,500	200						
urf fish.....			65,000	4,550						
urbot.....			600	70						
White bait.....									51,250	2,050
quid.....					140,000	700				
Total.....	57,362	1,625	409,600	9,780	1,274,000	6,880	247,500	11,970	122,950	5,595

Species.	San Joaquin.		San Mateo.		Shasta.		Sonoma.		Sutter.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
carp.....	63,286	\$1,474							9,802	\$106
atfish.....	17,000	805							32,000	1,296
cloublers.....							1,500	\$60		
ardhead.....	4,674	146							1,500	110
erring: Fresh.....							20,000	150		
erch.....							10,000	300		
ike, Sacramento.....	4,960	129								
almon: Chinook.....	7,000	360			19,000	\$1,072				
ea bass.....	1,250	50								
had.....	40,000	600								
had roe.....	4,000	360								
melt.....			1,500	\$60						
plit-tails.....	1,466	55							75	1
triped bass.....	5,301	449			1,247	142				
uckers.....	1,375	70							54	1
urf fish.....							2,000	140		
urtles.....	22	4								
Total.....	150,334	4,502	1,500	60	20,247	1,214	33,500	650	43,431	1,514

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY SEINES—Continued.

Species.	Tehama.		Ventura.		Yolo.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Anchovies.....							32,800	
Barracuda.....							34,000	
Carp.....					8,300	\$126	151,688	
Catfish.....	275	\$11			984	58	50,259	
Flounders.....							19,315	
Hardhead.....					2,865	314	9,039	
Herring:								
Fresh.....							229,994	
Salted.....							50,000	
Kingfish.....			2,300	\$46			22,500	
Mullet.....							3,000	
Perch.....			850	18			136,350	
Pike, Sacramento..					39	1	4,999	
Salmon:								
Chinook.....	184,133	13,084					465,682	3
Silver.....							15,552	
Sardines:								
Fresh.....							1,115,200	
Salted.....							1,400	
Sea bass.....							1,250	
Shad.....	200	3					40,200	
Shad roe.....							5,500	
Shiners.....							11,400	
Smelt.....			20,000	1,060			287,624	14
Split-tails.....							1,541	
Striped bass.....	539	38			400	28	12,687	1
Sturgeon.....							5,630	
Sturgeon roe.....							826	
Suckers.....							1,429	
Surf fish.....							67,000	4
Turbot.....							600	
White bait.....							51,250	2
Squid.....							140,000	
Turtles.....							22	
Total.....	185,147	13,136	23,150	1,124	12,588	527	2,968,737	79

BY GILL NETS.

Species.	Alameda.		Contra Costa.		Del Norte.		Glenn.		Humboldt.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....			29,000	\$510						
Flounders.....	5,000	\$150	7,000	105					15,458	
Herring.....			2,500	12						
Perch.....	2,000	180	1,500	60						
Pike, Sacramento..			4,600	90						
Salmon:										
Chinook.....	300	18	1,859,825	95,956	655,000	\$14,767	1,300	\$95	498,786	19
Silver.....					174,846	3,497			86,072	3
Shad, fresh.....			4,348,640	45,800						
Sharks.....	65,000	163								
Smelt.....	12,500	875	2,000	100					24,365	1
Steelhead trout..									32,405	1
Stingray.....	605,000	1,512								
Striped bass.....	99,000	7,565	1,036,263	84,676						
Sturgeon.....									8,010	
Total.....	788,800	10,463	7,291,328	227,309	829,846	18,264	1,300	95	665,096	25

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY GILL NETS—Continued.

Species.	Los Angeles.		Marin.		Mendocino.		Monterey.		Orange.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Anchovies.....	12,585	\$130								
Barracuda, fresh.....	565,960	22,032							38,300	\$1,732
Bonito.....	270,687	7,842					2,000	\$50	1,600	48
Flying fish.....	245	6								
Herring.....			30,000	\$215						
Kingfish.....	120,891	2,617					23,000	575		
Mackerel, fresh.....	47,570	1,372							51,500	1,030
Perch.....	35,278	835	10,000	180			6,000	30	5,500	165
Pompano.....	14,002	1,400							850	85
Salmon:										
Chinook.....			6,900	330						
Silver.....					26,000	\$1,040				
Sea bass.....	146,951	5,584	70,500	3,500			8,800	365	35,200	1,735
Sea trout.....	400	20								
Smelt.....	81,316	3,299	65,000	3,125			5,314	425		
Spanish mackerel.....	73,031	2,970								
Striped bass.....			23,400	1,865						
Surf fish.....			3,500	245						
Swordfish.....	360	8								
Turbot.....			700	85						
Yellowtail, fresh.....	162,998	4,539								
Crabs.....							17,210	129		
Total.....	1,532,274	52,654	210,000	9,545	26,000	1,040	62,324	1,574	132,950	4,795

Species.	Sacramento.		San Diego.		San Francisco.		San Joaquin.		San Luis Obispo.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Albacore or tuna.....			2,371	\$76						
Barracuda:										
Fresh.....			1,362,441	39,957					3,000	\$120
Salted.....			198,000	7,900						
Bonito.....			33,062	594						
Carp.....	3,000	\$40			120,000	\$2,400				
Flounders.....					200,000	600				
Herring.....					500,000	5,000				
Horse mackerel.....			295	6						
Kingfish.....			2,156	50	6,500	200				
Mackerel:										
Fresh.....			400	8						
Salted.....			6,450	259						
Perch.....			217	5	1,450	50				
Pompano.....			229	27						
Salmon: Chinook.....	214,346	12,441			136,000	7,500	193,409	\$10,030		
Sardines.....					3,600	250				
Sea bass.....			261,703	8,351	240,000	12,000				
Sea trout.....			119	5						
Shad:										
Fresh.....	16,826	313			1,600,000	9,000	596,820	7,447		
Salted.....	10,000	125								
Roe.....	2,940	287					13,898	1,259		
Smelt.....			115,707	5,597	370,000	15,100			75,000	3,750
Spanish mackerel.....			9,034	181						
Striped bass.....	34,354	2,839			283,000	24,000	64,345	5,449		
Sturgeon.....	620	49					59	5		
Sturgeon roe.....							22	11		
Yellowtail:										
Fresh.....			212,645	3,389						
Salted.....			55,500	1,983						
Total.....	282,086	16,094	2,260,329	68,388	3,460,550	76,100	868,553	24,201	78,000	3,870

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY GILL NETS—Continued.

Species.	Santa Barbara.		Santa Cruz.		Solano.		Sonoma.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Barracuda, fresh...	162,000	\$6,210	5,780	\$231				
Bonito.....	30,000	870						
Herring.....			890	19				
Kingfish.....	1,500	30						
Mackerel, fresh.....	5,000	145						
Perch.....	1,000	20	6,000	300				
Pike, Sacramento.....					25	\$1		
Pompano.....			687	68				
Salmon: Chinook.....					1,179,244	60,524	6,000	
Sardines.....	1,000	20	21,931	220				
Sea bass.....	50,000	1,900	86,860	3,474				
Sea trout.....	2,000	80						
Shad, fresh.....			478	24	176,827	2,650		
Smelt.....	16,325	865	30,000	1,209				
Spanish mackerel.....	41,300	826						
Striped bass.....					208,544	17,787	2,000	
Sturgeon.....					2,367	181		
Sturgeon roe.....					427	250		
Yellowtail, fresh.....	3,150	88						
Crabs.....			223,859	15,262				
Total.....	313,275	11,054	376,485	20,798	1,567,434	81,393	8,000	

Species.	Sutter.		Tehama.		Yolo.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Albacore or tuna.....							2,371	
Anchovies.....							12,585	
Barracuda:								
Fresh.....							2,137,481	70
Salted.....							198,000	7
Bonito.....							337,349	9
Carp.....					1,000	\$15	153,000	2
Flounders.....							227,458	1
Flying fish.....							245	
Herring.....							533,390	5
Horse mackerel.....							295	
Kingfish.....							154,047	3
Mackerel:								
Fresh.....							104,470	2
Salted.....							6,450	
Perch.....							68,945	1
Pike, Sacramento.....							4,625	
Pompano.....							15,768	1
Salmon:								
Chinook.....	3,071	\$173	1,627	\$81	88,560	4,760	4,844,368	226
Silver.....							286,918	7
Sardines.....							26,531	
Sea bass.....							900,014	36
Sea trout.....							2,519	
Shad:								
Fresh.....	1,245	36	10	1	64,962	1,108	6,805,808	66
Salted.....							10,000	
Roe.....	61	6			4,634	434	21,533	1
Sharks.....							65,000	
Smelt.....							797,527	35
Spanish mackerel.....							123,365	3
Steelhead trout.....							32,405	1
Stingray.....							605,000	1
Striped bass.....	5,744	407			12,511	883	1,769,161	145
Sturgeon.....			55	3	183	14	11,294	
Sturgeon roe.....							449	
Surf fish.....							3,500	
Swordfish.....							360	
Turbot.....							700	
Yellowtail:								
Fresh.....							378,793	8
Salted.....							55,500	1
Crabs.....							241,069	15
Total.....	10,121	622	1,692	85	171,850	7,214	20,938,293	661

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY HOOP NETS.

Species.	Del Norte.		Humboldt.		Marin.		San Francisco.	
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Crabs.....	26,667	\$2,000	24,420	\$1,022	168,600	\$16,494	929,080	\$91,514
Species.	San Mateo.		Sonoma.		Total			
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Crabs.....	4,800	\$600	4,000	\$300	1,157,567	\$111,930		
Crawfish.....			550	265	550	265		
Total.....	4,800	600	4,550	565	1,158,117	112,195		

BY POTS AND TRAPS.

Species.	Los Angeles.		Orange.		San Diego.		Santa Barbara.	
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Perch.....	1,700	\$34						
Rock bass.....	1,350	54						
Sea bass.....	7,984	304						
Spiny lobsters.....	197,074	19,895	16,100	\$2,093	480,313	\$82,096	158,300	\$20,729
Total.....	208,108	20,287	16,100	2,093	480,313	82,096	158,300	20,729
Species.	Santa Cruz.		Ventura.		Total.			
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Value.</i>
Perch.....					1,700	\$34		
Rock bass.....					1,350	54		
Sea bass.....					7,984	304		
Octopus.....	6,000	\$600			6,000	600		
Spiny lobsters.....			8,685	\$1,129	860,472	125,942		
Total.....	6,000	600	8,685	1,129	877,506	126,934		

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY LINES.

Species.	Alameda.		Colusa.		Humboldt.		Los Angeles.		Marin.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Albacore (or tuna):										
Fresh							16,518,654	\$247,928		
Barracuda: Fresh							36,657	1,362		
Bonito							61,051	1,771		
Carp			500	\$35						
Flournders: Fresh					34,775	\$1,366	56,700	4,659		
Hake							17,322	571		
Jewish: Fresh							20,890	414		
"Lingcod": Fresh					2,609	104				
Mackerel							13,010	377		
Pike, Sacramento			400	20						
Rock bass: Fresh							123,367	4,932		
Rockfishes: Fresh					16,905	577	637,031	20,317	3,000	
Salmon: Chinook, fresh					381	9				
Sculpin							6,613	263		
Sea bass							337	12		
Sea trout							64	3		
Sharks							2,500	50		
Skates							6,600	120		
Sheepshead							1,367	28		
Smelt	19,000	\$1,300								
Sole							10,000	300	50	
Spanish mackerel							16,250	481		
Striped bass									1,000	
Yellowtail							106,764	2,969		
Total	19,000	1,300	900	55	51,670	2,056	17,634,577	286,557	4,050	

Species.	Mendocino.		Monterey.		Orange.		San Diego.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Albacore (or tuna):								
Fresh					6,000	\$150	3,449,560	\$51,
Salted							25,000	
Barracuda:								
Fresh					43,500	2,140	53,463	1,
Salted							2,000	
Bonito					1,350	40	9,400	
Flournders:								
Fresh	13,000	\$590	51,000	\$1,275	2,900	83	250	
Salted			9,500	475				
Hake					3,300	107		
Jewish:								
Fresh			300	10	4,200	84	87,071	1,
Salted							50,000	1,
Kingfish			15,350	383				
"Lingcod": Fresh	1,000	40	103,000	2,060				
Mackerel							10,405	
Rock bass:								
Fresh					53,500	1,337	489,450	10,
Salted							2,750	
Rockfishes: Fresh	35,000	1,750	1,306,816	41,818	141,280	4,235	663,464	15,
Sablefish			17,560	878				
Salmon:								
Chinook, fresh	80,500	4,190	1,694,660	67,786				
Chinook, salted	20,000	2,400						
Silver	500	20	70,000	2,800				
Sculpin					1,850	75		
Sea bass			4,560	182				
Sea trout					3,500	105		
Sheepshead							201	
Sole							679	
Spanish mackerel							40,000	
Yellowtail							125,253	1,
Total	150,000	8,990	3,272,746	117,667	261,380	8,356	5,008,946	84,

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY LINES—Continued.

Species.	San Francisco.		San Luis Obispo.		San Mateo.		Santa Barbara.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Hake.....							6,650	\$219
Jewfish: Fresh.....							4,000	80
Kingfish.....							500	10
"Lingcod": Fresh.....	301,103	\$7,750						
Rock bass: Fresh.....							4,000	160
Rockfish: Fresh.....	825,500	39,655	85,000	\$3,400	18,000		24,000	768
Sole.....	18,858	377						
Octopus.....	18,682	1,555				\$350		
Total.....	1,164,143	49,337	85,000	3,400	18,000	550	39,150	1,237
Species.	Santa Cruz.		Sonoma.		Ventura.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Albacore (or tuna):								
Fresh.....							19,974,214	\$299,832
Salted.....							25,000	481
Barracuda:								
Fresh.....							133,620	4,666
Salted.....							2,000	80
Bonito.....							71,801	1,991
Carp.....							500	35
Flounders:								
Fresh.....					3,250	\$96	161,875	8,079
Salted.....							9,500	475
Hake.....							27,272	897
Jewfish:								
Fresh.....							116,461	1,899
Salted.....							50,000	1,500
Kingfish.....	32,757	\$982					48,607	1,375
"Lingcod":								
Fresh.....	98,000	2,940	2,700	\$120			508,412	13,014
Salted.....	3,500	175					3,500	175
Mackerel.....	113	6					23,528	591
Pike, Sacramento.....							400	20
Rock bass:								
Fresh.....							670,317	16,461
Salted.....							2,750	97
Rockfishes:								
Fresh.....	378,478	12,355	22,000	1,110	4,350	259	4,160,824	141,202
Salted.....	8,000	400					8,000	400
Sablefish.....	2,223	111					19,783	989
Salmon:								
Chinook, fresh.....	119,592	4,783	12,000	360			1,907,133	77,128
Chinook, salted.....							20,000	2,400
Silver.....	29,897	1,195					100,397	4,015
Sculpin.....	350	7					8,813	345
Sea bass.....							4,897	194
Sea trout.....							3,564	108
Sharks.....							2,500	50
Skates.....							6,000	120
Sheepshead.....							1,568	30
Smelt.....							19,000	1,300
Sole.....							29,587	698
Spanish mackerel.....							56,250	1,281
Striped bass.....	350	17	1,250	100			2,600	217
Yellowtail.....							232,017	4,534
Octopus.....							18,682	1,555
Total.....	673,260	21,971	37,950	1,690	7,600	355	28,431,372	588,194

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY DREDGES, TONGS, RAKES, FORKS, ETC.

Species.	Alameda.		Del Norte.		Humboldt.		Los Angeles.		Marin.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Hard.....					1,760	\$427	296	\$104	26,416	\$7,0
Soft.....	21,250	\$5,950			6,280	1,250			11,880	4,4
Oysters:										
Eastern, market					42	14			14,840	8,8
Native, market.									8,435	6,5
Mussels.....	130	35	2,650	\$180			4,820	578	120	
Turtles.....							184	9		
Total.....	21,380	5,985	2,650	180	8,082	1,691	5,300	691	61,691	26,8

Species.	Mendocino.		Monterey.		Orange.		San Francisco.		San Luis Obispo.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Hard.....				96	800	\$260			34,856	\$9,1
Soft.....							23,000	\$5,300		
Oysters:										
Eastern, market							360,892	156,745		
Mussels.....	3,500	\$200	1,810	110			6,000	1,200		
Seaweed.....			3,799	190						
Total.....	3,500	200	5,705	325	800	260	389,892	163,245	34,856	9,1

Species.	San Mateo.		Santa Barbara.		Santa Cruz.		Sonoma.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Clams:										
Hard.....					1,032	\$272	600	\$275	65,856	\$17,5
Soft.....	2,200	\$700					2,550	485	67,160	18,10
Oysters:										
Eastern, market									375,774	165,5
Native, market.									8,435	6,5
Mussels.....					210	15			19,240	2,3
Turtles.....									184	
Seaweed.....			3,000	\$135					5,799	3
Total.....	2,200	700	3,000	135	1,242	287	3,150	760	543,448	210,4

BY LAMPARA NETS.

Species.	Los Angeles.		Monterey.		Orange.		San Francisco.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Albacore (or tuna)	2,760	\$69							2,760	\$69
Anchovies:										
Fresh.....							36,000	\$225	36,000	2
Salted.....			16,000	\$1,600					16,000	1,600
Barracuda.....	268,597	9,476					5,000	200	273,597	9,676
Bonito.....	20,261	688							20,261	688
Croaker.....	3,150	65							3,150	65
Herring.....			1,000	20					1,000	20
Kingfish.....	209,864	6,197					5,200	150	215,064	6,347
Mackerel.....	94,291	2,732			12,000	\$240			106,291	2,972
Pompano.....	1,688	168					1,335	200	3,023	368
Rock bass.....	133,617	5,345			90,000	2,250			223,617	7,595
Sardines.....	305,150	6,103	2,906,200	14,531	22,500	225	12,000	75	3,245,850	20,900
Sea bass.....	197,892	7,520					5,000	200	202,892	7,720
Smelt.....	11,771	625					3,000	150	14,771	775
Spanish mackerel.	143,905	4,114							143,905	4,114
Whitebait.....							5,000	200	5,000	200
Yellowtail.....	286,806	8,030			73,500	2,205			360,306	10,235
Squid.....	21,325	426	6,000,000	30,000			50,000	1,500	6,071,325	31,926
Total.....	1,701,077	51,558	8,923,200	46,151	198,000	4,920	122,535	2,900	10,944,812	105,526

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY PARANZELLA NETS.

Species.	Los Angeles.		Santa Cruz.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Flounders.....	383,970	\$13,063	588,135	\$16,936	972,105	\$29,999
Hake.....			26,030	260	26,030	260
Kingfish.....			99,500	2,985	99,500	2,985
"Lingcod".....			14,600	438	14,600	438
Sablefish.....			4,600	230	4,600	230
Skate.....			600	6	600	6
Sole.....	9,692	291	1,553,200	43,830	1,562,892	44,121
Octopus.....			5,000	400	5,000	400
Total.....	393,662	13,354	2,291,665	65,085	2,685,327	78,439

BY TRAMMEL NETS.

Species.	Los Angeles.		Marin.		Orange.		San Diego.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Barracuda.....	182,248	\$7,050						
Flounders.....	635,748	24,919			132,250	\$6,308	2,100,908	\$81,413
Perch.....			2,500	\$75				
Total.....	817,996	31,969	2,500	75	132,250	6,308	2,100,908	81,413

Species.	Santa Barbara.		Ventura.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Barracuda.....					182,248	\$7,050
Flounders.....	115,500	\$3,855	8,000	\$258	2,992,406	116,753
Perch.....					2,500	75
Total.....	115,500	3,855	8,000	258	3,177,154	123,878

BY FYKE NETS.

Species.	Colusa.		Sacramento.		San Joaquin.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....			40,201	\$514		
Catfish.....	6,700	\$264	91,646	3,888	311,787	\$15,533
Hardhead.....			42,237	2,122		
Pike, Sacramento.....			4,887	171		
Split-tails.....			15,475	328		
Suckers.....			635	15		
Total.....	6,700	264	195,081	7,038	311,787	15,533

Species.	Sutter.		Yolo.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Carp.....	2,000	\$25	3,426	\$56	45,627	\$595
Catfish.....	17,346	725	39,316	1,719	466,795	22,129
Hardhead.....	224	16	21,923	914	64,384	3,052
Pike, Sacramento.....	523	19	450	18	5,860	208
Split-tails.....					15,475	328
Suckers.....					635	15
Total.....	20,093	785	65,115	2,707	598,776	26,327

STATISTICS OF THE YIELD OF THE SHORE FISHERIES OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915, BY COUNTIES, SPECIES, AND APPARATUS—Continued.

BY ABALONE OUTFITS.

Species.	Marin.		Mendocino.		Monterey.		San Diego.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Abalone:								
Alive.....			3,035	\$97				
Meat.....	4,550	\$158	3,000	185	547,424	\$10,939	57,000	\$3,1
Shells.....	2,000	450					72,000	1,4
Pearls and blisters.....		40						
Total.....	6,550	648	6,035	282	547,424	10,939	129,000	4,6

Species.	Santa Cruz.		Sonoma.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Abalone:						
Alive.....	20,991	\$420			24,026	\$5
Meat.....			119,000	\$2,380	730,974	16,8
Shells.....					74,000	1,8
Pearls and blisters.....				1,200		1,2
Total.....	20,991	420	119,000	3,580	829,000	20,4

BY MISCELLANEOUS APPARATUS.

Species.	Alameda.		Humboldt.		San Francisco.		Santa Barbara.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Surf fish.....			20,000	\$600				
Shrimp.....	263,000	\$4,850			35,000	\$700		
Sea lion.....							9,375	\$4,1
Total.....	263,000	4,850	20,000	600	35,000	700	9,375	4,1

Species.	Shasta.		Sonoma.		Total.	
	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Salmon: Chinook.....	750	\$75			750	\$
Surf fish.....			37,000	\$1,720	57,000	2,3
Shrimp.....					298,000	5,5
Sea lion.....					9,375	4,1
Total.....	750	75	37,000	1,720	365,125	12,0

WHOLESALE FRESH-FISH TRADE.

San Francisco is by far the most important wholesale fresh-fish center in California. Large quantities of fresh fish are also handled by firms located in Los Angeles, Monterey, San Diego, and Sacramento, but a considerable proportion of these fish eventually reach San Francisco, from which city many are shipped to adjoining States to the east and north. In 1915 there were 64 wholesale fresh fish establishments in the State, valued at \$687,156, with a cash capital of \$202,500, in which 394 persons were engaged and \$310,89 paid in wages.

FISHERY PRODUCTS PREPARED, EXCLUSIVE OF CANNING.

The preparation of various fishery products has an important bearing on the fisheries of California. Squid, amounting to 1,200,000 pounds, were dried and sold for \$51,000. The mild-cured product

in 1915 consisted of 1,761,300 pounds of chinook salmon, valued at \$187,220, and 105,000 pounds of shad, valued at \$5,250. Chinook salmon, amounting to 245,000 pounds, were pickled and sold for \$26,950. The salt-fish products amounted to 5,023,982 pounds, with a value of \$83,138, the greater part of which was shad. The smoking of fish was comparatively unimportant, the output being only 34,600 pounds, with a value of \$4,203. These consisted of halibut, chinook salmon, albacore, herring, and sablefish in the order of their importance. Among other products prepared from fish and fish offal were 599 tons of poultry feed, valued at \$29,360; 65,567 gallons of oil, valued at \$19,548; and 396 tons of fertilizer, valued at \$14,145.

For statistics of products prepared, exclusive of canning, in California in 1915, see table, page 54.

CANNING INDUSTRY.

In 1915 there were 21 establishments, valued at \$1,443,613, engaged in the canning of various fishery products. The number of persons engaged was 2,676, and the wages paid amounted to \$394,181. Among the more important species canned were albacore, or tuna, sardines, chinook and silver salmon, shad, shad roe, bonito, and yellowtail. The value of the tuna pack, however, far exceeds that of all the other products combined. The canning of tuna, bonito, and yellowtail is confined to Los Angeles and San Diego Counties. Sardines, shad, and shad roe were canned in Contra Costa County only by one firm. Salmon were packed in Contra Costa, Solano, and Monterey Counties. Considerable quantities of abalone were canned in San Diego and Monterey Counties. A few cases of rockfishes were canned in San Diego and Los Angeles Counties, and a small pack of mussels was put up in Del Norte County.

EXTENT OF THE CANNING INDUSTRY OF CALIFORNIA IN 1915.

Items.	Number.	Value.	Items.	Number.	Value.
Establishments.....	21	\$1,443,613	Salmon—Continued.		
Cash capital.....		253,727	Silver—		
Persons engaged.....	2,676		1 pound tall.....cases..	290	\$1,044
Wages paid.....		394,181	1 pound flat.....do....	2,500	11,250
			½ pound flat.....do....	788	4,097
PRODUCTS.^a			Albacore (tuna):		
Bonito:			1 pound flat.....do....	131,764	647,003
1 pound flat.....cases..	145	725	½ pound flat.....do....	110,602	751,741
½ pound flat.....do....	2,403	15,861	¼ pound flat.....do....	6,045	45,340
Salmon:			½ pound flat.....do....	10,016	73,774
Chinook—			Yellowtail:		
1 pound tall....do....	1,048	4,192	1 pound flat.....do....	465	2,748
1 pound flat....do....	15,994	85,201	½ pound flat.....do....	1,177	8,661
½ pound flat....do....	2,466	19,998	Oysters (not cooked)....galls..	29,429	75,804
			Miscellaneous.....cases..	60,718	357,129

^a All cases are on a basis of 48 pounds each.

