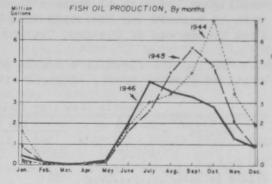
FISHERY BYPRODUCTS

Oil and Meal

PRODUCTION: The domestic production of fish oils during May amounted to 194,713 gallons which is about normal for this month, according to the Service's

Current Fishery Statistics No. 359. The total production of fish oils during the first five months of 1947 amounted to only 614,254 gallons compared with 890,540 gallons during the same period in 1946 and 1,446,253 gallons during the first five months of 1945. Reduced yield of pilchard oil during January and February was responsible for the major portion of the decline.

The May production of fish meal by firms which normally account for 94 percent of the total yield amounted to 6,404 tons, 18 percent less than the production in May 1946. The 5-



month yield of fish meal amounted to 18,207 tons, compared with 23,225 tons for the same period in 1946, and 32,422 tons for the first five months of 1945.

The reduced quantity of rosefish scrap, which contains considerable oil, available for reduction during the current year and the increased supplies of cod fillet waste, which contains little oil, is reflected in the decrease of 77 percent in the yield of groundfish oil during the first five months of 1947 compared with the previous year, while the yield of meal declined only 28 percent.

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FAO FOOD COMPOSITION REPORT

"Energy Yielding Components of Food and Computation of Calorie Values" is the title of a recent report published by an FAO Committee on Calorie Conversion Factors and Food Composition Tables. The report is divided into two sections. The first deals with the determination of energy yielding nutrients, while the second covers the problem of estimating their physiological values in terms of calories. Copies of the report--FAO/N47/1--may be obtained from the Food and Agriculture Organization, 2000 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington 6, D. C.