



MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

January 2002

Monterey

There were no squid landings during January.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

Better quality squid was landed, but distributions were reported as patchy at the northern Channel Islands. Fishermen found squid deeper than normal and blamed it on cold water. Many vessels which normally fish out of this port complex found better fishing conditions at Santa Catalina Island and coastal areas off Los Angeles and Orange counties and offloaded in San Pedro/Terminal Island. The ex-vessel price range was \$150-200/ton. Vessels fished off Anacapa Island, Santa Rosa Island, and Santa Catalina Island. Bat rays, Pacific butterfish, flatfish, rockfish, spiny lobster, and sardines were observed as bycatch.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

The squid fishery remained active throughout the month. Most fishing efforts were concentrated around Santa Catalina Island; however, several vessels began fishing farther south because too many vessels were concentrated in that area. The ex-vessel price was \$200/ton. Fishing took place off Huntington Beach, Newport Beach, Laguna Beach, Dana Point, San Onofre, Oceanside, Santa Catalina Island, and San Clemente Island. Pacific mackerel, sardine, anchovy, Pacific butterfish, kelp fronds, squid egg cases, sea cucumbers, a hornyhead turbot, a white croaker, and a finescale triggerfish were observed as bycatch.

Landings and Sampling Effort at the Monterey, Ventura/Port Hueneme, and San Pedro Port Areas for January*

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2000/01**	2001/02***	2000/01	2001/02
Monterey	0	0	0	0
Ventura/Port Hueneme	4,133	1,836	20	13
San Pedro	6,104	11,050	29	33
	10,237	12,886	49	46

*Month covers January 1 - January 31.

**Landings data are from Dept. of Fish and Game landings database

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