

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

May 2006



Monterey

There were 13 landings for a total of 174 tons. Squid size was small and of average quality. Most boats remained docked, while a few fishermen prepared to leave for the Oregon sardine fishery or for fisheries in Alaska. Some also pursued wetfish instead of squid. Fishing activity occurred off Lover's Point and Pacific Grove. The ex-vessel price was \$500/ton. Jack mackerel, squid eggs, and kelp were observed as bycatch.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

There were no squid landings reported this month.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

Squid landings picked up slightly from last month with over 170 tons landed during the latter part of May. Most vessels either searched for sardines and mackerel or remained docked for repairs. Fishing occurred off Long Beach, Pt. Fermin, and Santa Catalina Island. Squid size was small, averaging 33.6 grams in weight and 115.2 mm in length. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$400-500/ton. Pacific sardine, Pacific mackerel, and kelp were observed as bycatch.

Landings and Sampling Effort at San Francisco Bay, Monterey, Ventura/Port Hueneme, and San Pedro Port Areas for May*.

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2005/06**	2006/07***	2005/06	2006/07
San Francisco Bay Area	0	N/A		
Monterey	814	174	8	9
Ventura/Port Hueneme	40	0	0	0
San Pedro	1	178	0	4
	855	352	8	13

*Month covers May 1-31; fishing season is from April 1 through March 31 the following year.

**Landings data from Dept. of Fish and Game Commercial Fisheries Information System (CFIS) database.

***Landings data from preliminary totals based on dockside tally of available landing receipts.