

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

May 2007



Monterey

There were no landings of squid reported this month.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

There were six landings in May. Fishing primarily took place off the north and south sides of Santa Cruz Island. The average weight of sampled squid was 33 +/- 9g (1SD) and the average mantle length was 121 +/- 11mm (1SD). The ex-vessel price was \$500/short ton (\$551/metric ton). Observed incidental catch included Northern anchovy.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

There were three landings in May. Vessels fished off Santa Cruz Island and Santa Catalina Island. The ex-vessel price averaged \$500/short ton (\$551/metric ton). Squid was observed mixed with sardine and mackerel loads landed from Catalina Island, but no fishable concentrations of squid were found. Fishermen have been talking about the incredible numbers of jumbo squid reported in this area and around the Channel Islands, and are concerned with their appetites for market squid, sardines, and anchovies.

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	
	2006/07**	2007/08***	2006/07	2007/08
San Francisco Bay Area	0	N/A		
Monterey	264	0	9	0
Ventura/Port Hueneme	0	115	0	2
San Pedro	178	2	4	0
	442	117	13	2

*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.