

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

June 2004



Monterey

Squid landings were light and sporadic throughout the month because of bad weather and a lack of squid. Boats may have also stayed in out of respect to a local trawler lost at sea. Fishing activity occurred at night with very little day fishing and was centered near Pacific Grove, Beach Hotel, and Seaside State Beach. Squid were also landed at the port of Avila Beach. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$440-500/ton. Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, anchovy, sardine, Pacific electric rays, jacksmelt, Pacific butterfish, sanddabs, chilipepper rockfish, squid egg cases, jellyfish, and kelp were observed as bycatch.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

The squid fishery was inconsistent for most of the month because of poor weather conditions and warming waters. Many boats and processors shifted their operations to Avila and Morro Bay because the majority of squid was caught north of Santa Barbara, along the mainland coast near Point Conception and Gaviota. Fishing also occurred off Santa Rosa Island. The ex-vessel price was \$450-\$500/ton. No samples were taken; therefore, no bycatch was observed.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

There were seven landings reported this month. Most fishermen targeted sardines and/or made repairs to their vessels and nets. Fishing took place off Pt. Arguello, Gaviota, Santa Rosa Island, and Santa Catalina Island. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$450-500/ton. No samples were taken; therefore, no bycatch was observed.

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

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2003/04**	2004/05***	2003/04	2004/05
Monterey	143	1,056	3	10
Ventura/Port Hueneme	0	369	0	0
San Pedro	402	54	21	0
	545	1,479	24	10

*Month covers June 1-30.

**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.