

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

June 2006



Monterey

There were twenty landings for a total of 250 tons. All fishing activity occurred off Lover's Point. Very few vessels fished squid because of their small size (15-16 count per pound) and lack of orders for processors, so many fishermen left for the salmon fisheries in Alaska. The ex-vessel price was \$500/ton. Pacific sardine, Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, anchovy, jacksmelt, sanddabs, Pacific electric rays, an unidentified shark, a king salmon, squid egg cases, a strawberry anemone, sun stars, kelp, and red algae were observed as bycatch.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

There were no squid landings reported this month.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

A majority of the fleet targeted squid this month with most landings occurring during the latter half of June. Fishing occurred off Huntington Beach, Santa Barbara Island, San Clemente Island, and Santa Catalina Island where fishing was described as "hit or miss". Vessels making sets in the dark had the best luck, while vessels using lights were only able to find squid mixed with Pacific mackerel. Squid size averaged 33.8 grams in weight and 116.2 mm in length. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$400-500/ton. Pacific sardine, Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, a Pacific sanddab, jumbo squid, and kelp were observed as bycatch.

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

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2005/06**	2006/07***	2005/06	2006/07
San Francisco Bay Area	0	N/A		
Monterey	560	250	11	12
Ventura/Port Hueneme	0	0	0	0
San Pedro	5	2,572	0	12
	565	2,822	11	24

*Month covers June 1-30; 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.