MONTHLY SQUID REPORT July 2004



Monterey

Fishing activity was slow due to a lack of squid. Water temperatures rose within the bay but remained cool outside. Many fishermen expressed concern regarding the upcoming FMP and some of the proposed options. Fishing occurred off Cape San Martin, Pacific Grove, Capitola, and Moss Landing. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$320-500/ton. Pacific sardine, Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, anchovy, sanddabs, two king salmon, squid egg cases, kelp, jellyfish, and Pacific electric rays were observed as bycatch.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

Squid concentrations were patchy at the northern Channel Islands. Only a handful of vessels and processors were still active in the area. Most fishing occurred off Santa Rosa Island. The ex-vessel price remained stable at \$450/ton. Pacific sardines were observed as bycatch.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

There were six landings reported this month. Squid were also seen as bycatch in several sardine landings. Fishing took place off Port Hueneme, Anacapa Island, and Santa Catalina Island. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$450-500/ton. Pacific and jack mackerel were observed as bycatch.

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

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2003/04**	2004/05***	2003/04	2004/05
Monterey	1,577	683 [†]	13	8
Ventura/Port Hueneme	355	341	7	1
San Pedro	833	34	31	2
	2,765	1,058	51	11

^{*}Month covers July 1-31.

^{**}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.

[†]Includes landings from Morro Bay and Avila Beach