

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

July 2006



Monterey

There were four landings for the month of July. Fishing activity occurred off the Beach Hotel and Cannery Row. The ex-vessel price was \$500/ton. Those fishing reported there was not much sign of squid at all. Squid size is still poor with loads in the 14-16 per pound range. Observed incidental catch included Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, and kelp.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

Fishermen started landing squid in late July with a total of thirteen landings for the month. Squid were found at Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz, and Santa Barbara Islands, and near Port Hueneme along the coast. The average weight of sampled squid was 40 g and the average mantle length was 126 mm. The ex-vessel price was \$500/ton. Observed incidental catch included Pacific sardine, Pacific mackerel, barracuda, and bat rays.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

A majority of the fleet targeted squid this month with 112 landings, forty-one of which were landed the second week July. Boats explored further from port for squid, as fishing occurred off Huntington Beach, San Nicolas Island, Santa Cruz Island, Santa Barbara Island, San Clemente Island, and Santa Catalina Island. Squid size averaged 33.8 grams in weight and 116.2 mm in length. The ex-vessel price was \$500/ton. Observed incidental catch included Pacific sardine, large Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, blacksmith, squid egg cases, eel grass, and kelp.

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

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2005/06**	2006/07***	2005/06	2006/07
San Francisco Bay Area	0	N/A		
Monterey	313	34	8	4
Ventura/Port Hueneme	0	270	0	3
San Pedro	75	1,937	3	12
	388	2,241	11	19

*Month covers July 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.