

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

SEPTEMBER

Monterey

Vessels landing in this port complex fished near the Monterey Bay Aquarium. Fishing was steady for most of the month, except for an unproductive period before and after the full moon. The average landing was 11.9 tons. Many of the squid samples were reported as spent.

Southern California

Squid fishing started in the second week of September after two months of no landings. Fish were found in good numbers off Port Hueneme and Pt. Mugu. Squid were landed in San Pedro and Ventura/Port Hueneme. Some fishermen remarked squid were at Santa Cruz Island but not in good numbers. Some captains reported water along the coast and at the islands was as warm as 69°, but squid were found when the water was 67°. The ex-vessel price was \$200-250/ton, but some speculated a drop in price when the majority of the fleet is fishing.

Monthly Landings and Sampling effort at the Monterey, Ventura/Port Hueneme, and San Pedro port areas September 2000 (September 3 - September 30)*

Port Complex	Tons Landed	Number of Samples Collected
Monterey	809	not reported
Ventura / Port Hueneme	984	12
San Pedro	386	not reported
Totals	2,179	not reported

* Monthly reports will cover the first week period (Sunday - Saturday) that begins in the reporting month, and will extend through the last week period of that month, possibly extending into the next month.