

MONTHLY SQUID REPORT

September 2005



Monterey

There were no landings of squid reported this month.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

No squid landings were reported this month. Some of the dealers at Ventura Harbor were busy washing out bins and making final repairs in preparation for the arrival of squid. The construction of a new pumping arrangement at Port Hueneme is underway. This new arrangement will keep the large trucks and forklifts away from the dock to decrease wear and tear.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

Squid fishing efforts increased this month with most landings occurring during the latter part of September. Fishing took place off Santa Catalina Island. The ex-vessel price was \$500-600/ton. Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, Pacific sardine, eel grass, and kelp were observed as bycatch.

Because of the influx of squid at Santa Catalina Island, several vessels came down from Monterey and Ventura to partake in the fishery. A few captains expressed their frustration with the number of boats as overcrowding became an issue once again at the island. This caused tensions to increase between fishermen from up north and from San Pedro. Squid quality was good; however, most squid were immature with sizes ranging from 15.6 to 85.8 grams.

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

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2004/05**	2005/06***	2004/05	2005/06
San Francisco Bay Area	20 [†]	N/A		
Monterey	139	0	3	0
Ventura/Port Hueneme	0	0	0	0
San Pedro	0	1,182	0	12
	159	1,182	3	12

*Month covers September 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.

[†]Includes landings from Half Moon Bay