MONTHLY SQUID REPORT October 2005



Monterey

There were no landings of squid reported this month.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

No squid landings were reported this month. Although squid has not been spotted around the northern Channel Islands, two new pumps have been set up at Port Hueneme, and the dealers are standing by. The new loading platform at Port Hueneme is still under construction, but it may be completed by the end of November. By month's end, a few more squid vessels made their way down from Monterey to Ventura Harbor.

San Pedro/Terminal Island

Most vessels concentrated their efforts on squid this month; however, landings were sporadic at times. On some days, squid was highly abundant with several vessels bringing in 50-70 tons each, while on other days, squid was difficult to locate. Squid quality was good, but most were immature with sizes ranging from 18.7 to 102.5 grams. Fishing took place off Santa Catalina Island. The ex-vessel price ranged from \$500-550/ton. Pacific mackerel, jack mackerel, bat rays, squid egg cases, eel grass, and kelp were observed as bycatch.

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

Port Complex	Tons Landed		Samples Collected	
	2004/05**	2005/06***	2004/05	2005/06
San Francisco Bay Area	0	N/A		
Monterey	0	0	0	0
Ventura/Port Hueneme	0	0	0	0
San Pedro	42	3,426	3	12
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^{*}Month covers October 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.