

MONTHLY MARKET SQUID REPORT

October 2010



Monterey/Moss Landing

There were 69 landings of market squid in October. Fishing took place in Monterey Bay. Squid continue to be found in deep waters. Adult squid tended to be found beneath juveniles which were shallower in the water column. There was little consistency day to day. The majority of fishing took place during the day, since sea mammals were attracted to the light boats and broke up the schools. The average weight of sampled market squid was 54 g (+/- 18 g SD*) and the average mantle length was 140 mm (+/- 18 mm SD). The average ex-vessel price was \$500/short ton (\$550/metric ton). Observed incidental catch included Pacific sardine, white croaker, jellyfish, and kelp.

Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara

There were 70 landings of market squid in October. Fishing took place off Point Conception, Santa Barbara, Port Hueneme, Point Mugu, Anacapa Island, and Santa Catalina Island. The average ex-vessel price was \$500/short ton (\$550/metric ton).

San Pedro/Terminal Island

There were 422 landings of market squid in October. Fishing took place off Gaviota, Port Hueneme, Point Mugu, Pt. Dume, Santa Monica, Manhattan Beach, Point Fermin, Long Beach, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach, Oceanside, Carlsbad, Del Mar, La Jolla, 30 Mile Bank, 43 Mile Bank, Anacapa Island, Santa Catalina Island, and San Clemente Island. A large volume of squid was reported around the 30 Mile and 43 Mile Bank, but after several weeks of fishing the area the squid began to turn pink immediately after harvesting. Captains then shifted their fishing efforts more along the coast. The average weight of sampled squid was 41 g (+/- 13 g SD) and the average mantle length was 128 mm (+/- 12mm SD). The average ex-vessel price was \$488/short ton (\$538/metric ton). Observed incidental catch included Pacific sardine, jack mackerel, Pacific mackerel, pompano, kelp, and squid eggs.

Landings and samples from Monterey Bay, Santa Barbara, and San Pedro Port Areas for October**

Port Complex	Short Tons Landed		Season Totals Short Tons*****	Samples Collected
	2009/10***	2010/11****	2010/11	2010/11
Monterey/Moss Landing	30	2,886	18,748	5
Ventura/Port Hueneme/Santa Barbara	13,508	1,801	5,311	0
San Pedro/Terminal Island	2,897	15,038	16,732	12
	16,435	19,725	40,791	17

*Standard Deviation. **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. *****Combination of landings data from preliminary totals from dockside tally of available landing receipts and CFIS.

Statewide Monthly Market Squid Landings by Fishing Seasons

