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## FOREWORD

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## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this bulletin is to present with the current statistics a record of the changes that have been made in the forms and in the routine of collecting and processing the statistics of California's fish catch. While these changes in themselves are often trivial, they are nonetheless of vital importance in using and interpreting the past statistical record, and it is imperative to have a historical record of such changes and the dates they took effect.

The statistical unit of the California Bureau of Marine Fisheries has grown with the fishing industry. Since the publication in 1935 of Fish Bulletin No. 44, describing the statistical forms and procedures, the California fishing industry has maintained its total landings while the value of the catch has increased sixfold. The number of processing plants has increased from 90 to 154 , and there are now 528 licensed wholesale fish dealers in the State. The number of registered fishing boats is now 6,103 , as compared with 2,453 in 1935. A comparable increase is apparent in every phase of the industry.

The basic system of record gathering has not changed from that initiated over 30 years ago. Today, as then, the foundation of our statistical system is the individual fish receipt made out by the dealer as a legal record of the purchase of each load of fish from the fisherman. The triplicate copy of this receipt, known as the "pink ticket," is the State's record of this original landing. The face of this receipt has changed slightly. Space for information that has proved of little importance has been reassigned to yield data that experience has shown to be of greater value. Other secondary changes have been made and are described herein. The various forms in current use are reproduced in these pages.

The trawling industry for bottom fish has in many ways been revolutionized, and this has resulted in a change in the trawler logs to meet these changed conditions. The fleet of trawlers has grown many fold, and extended its range of operations. State boundaries no longer define its field of activity. Catches of fish are frequently made in the waters of one state and delivered to dealers in another.

This has necessitated an extension of the block areas of origin, and in making this extension the conservation agencies of the northwest states have been considered and consulted. The mutual interests of the coastal states and their common fishery resources were recognized in 1947 with the formation of the Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission, which now coordinates the research and regulatory efforts of the three states.

Elsewhere the horizon has expanded. Imports of frozen fish for domestic processing have come or are coming from the entire Pacific and from the Atlantic Coast. Frozen tuna to be canned in California, has come in recent years from the central Pacific, from Australia, from the Atlantic Coast and extensively from Japan and Peru. Vessels of the California fishing fleet may now be seen off the coasts of South America. To record these origins in the statistical record the block areas of origin have been extended to cover the Pacific.

To handle the vastly increased volume of data, the mechanical units have grown in complexity and number. The tabulating machine of 1931 has been replaced by two modern and improved units, each one of which has far greater capacity and flexibility than the original model. The punching of the entire state-wide record is now done at the Terminal Island headquarters, instead of in the regional offices. While this procedure sacrifices the advantages discussed in the earlier bulletin, the volume of the record and the limited staff in the field offices makes this change a necessity.

In the interval since 1935, there has been a phenomenal increase in marine sport fishing. Catering to this recreation, a large industry has arisen. In 1950, 972 licensed fishing vessels operated, carrying pleasure fishermen on daily cruises to local fishing grounds along the entire California coast. The aggregate of this sport catch is large, and in the case of certain species exceeds the commercial catch. To approximate the magnitude of this catch, by species, daily trip reports are collected from each boat and the records compiled by the statistical unit. The volume and kind of live bait used by this fleet is likewise reported and compiled.

With the growth and dispersion of the fishing industry the statistical unit progressively lost touch with activities in the field. It became increasingly difficult to supply missing information on the tickets and to interpret the written record in the light of changing conditions in the field. While the wardens of the Bureau of Patrol were always ready to assist in this work, much of it was educational rather than enforcement, requiring a knowledge of the underlying need of specific data. For this reason a biologist was assigned to the statistical unit in 1949. His duties were to educate all dealers, and particularly the noncooperative and negligent ones, as to the biological information requested on the tickets; to investigate the biological aspects of ambiguous information on the tickets, and to keep the statistical unit informed of changing practices and conditions in the industry. As a result of such work there was a great improvement in the record. Most of the work was done in Southern California, where the man was stationed, but fairly regular trips were made to Northern California where problems were more numerous and more pressing. Eventually a second man was assigned to the north in the summer of 1950. An immediate improvement in the northern record was apparent. However, it was difficult to retain personnel in these positions, and in January, 1951, with the transfer of one man, we were again reduced to one field man for the entire State. Such is the present status. Close contact between the statistical unit and the industry is essential, but an adequate solution to the problem of maintaining this contact has not yet been found.

The functions of the statistical unit were materially increased in 1949. Up to that date our work was primarily concerned with the fish receipts and subsidiary problems related to them. All legally required reports concerning the production of the industry and all tax matters were handled separately at the department's administrative office in San Francisco.

This separation of catch figures from production figures, though basically illogical, worked satisfactorily for a period of years, until the
growth of the industry introduced mounting complexities that necessitated change. Meanwhile the industry itself began to appreciate the need of complete and detailed production figures which were properly related to the corresponding catch figures. Therefore in 1949 the responsibility of collecting and compiling the records of production was transferred to the statistical unit, and has since then become an integral part of our work. Both the catch and production records have profited by this merger. The two records are, in reality, complementary, and the comparison of the two frequently supplies information and explanations not apparent in the one alone. The fusion of the two completes the statistical picture by showng the volume of the catch and the detailed production from this catch.

The function of the statistical unit is to collect, process and interpret the statistics of the several fisheries. The measure of our success is the degree of accuracy and completeness of the record, and the productive use to which this is put. In the following pages specific problems and procedures for gathering and processing the data are discussed, and the attempt made to explain how the statistical unit has kept pace with a changing and expanding industry.

The scope and complexity of the task of gathering and compiling fisheries statistics has until recently absorbed our full attention. It was long ago realized that we were not utilizing our statistics fully in fisheries management. In 1949 the problem was extensively discussed and a decision reached to assign personnel to the analysis of the figures. In January, 1950, an experienced biologist was delegated to the task of catch analysis. However it was not until 1951 that he was sufficiently freed of other duties to devote much time to this. The work since then has been directed toward a study of the basic relationship between catch and effort. In this relationship lie many of the answers to the problem of intelligent management.

## 1. COMMERCIAL FISH RECEIPTS

Records of the commercial fish catch go back to 1872. The annual catches, partly estimated, were published in 1879 in the Report of the Commissioners of Fisheries of the State of California. Surveys of the San Francisco markets were made again in 1885 and 1886, and the monthly catch by species thus obtained, and estimates were made of the landings at San Diego and Los Angeles.

In 1909 a law was enacted requiring a license to fish commercially in California. In 1911 another law required wholesale dealers to obtain a license and to keep records of their purchases. This law specified that the record should contain the weight and kind of fish purchased, the date of the transaction and the name of the person from whom the fish was bought. This record was to be kept in books which were to be open to inspection by state fish and game deputies who periodically visited the dealers. These records of the commercial fish catch constitute the beginnings of our statistical system.

Four years later a change was made. In 1915 the wholesale dealers were required to submit upon forms furnished by the State Fish and Game Commission a monthly statement showing the amount of each species taken during the preceding month. However, it was not until 1917 that the basis of the present system of record gathering was inaugurated. In that year legislation was enacted requiring every wholesale dealer or processor of fish to make out, at the time of purchase, a receipt in duplicate for the fish purchased, showing the date, name of fisherman, weight in pounds of each variety, and the price per pound. A signature was required on each receipt. The original was given to the fisherman and the duplicate copy was the dealer's record. The latter was to be held for six months, and from these duplicates the State's statistics were obtained.

This legislation changed the required record-keeping from a set of books to individual receipts of transactions. With one modification, this is the present system. However, the one modification is of fundamental importance. The legislation of 1917 provided no original record for the State. This deficiency was corrected in 1919, when the required receipt system was expanded to include a triplicate copy, which, as the State's property, was to be picked up by a fish and game warden. The required fish receipt books were supplied, gratis, by the State, and from the beginning, the original has been white, the duplicate yellow and the State's triplicate copy pink. Thus originated the term "pink ticket."

According to Scofield (1948) the 1919 law was anticipated, and the triplicate receipt system was put into effect in Southern California about July, 1918. At Monterey it was inaugurated about January, 1919, while at San Francisco and northward the triplicates were not required until about July 1, 1919, when the law went into effect.

The system begun in 1917 and perfected in 1919 has withstood the test of time and remains basically unchanged today. It has provided the State in this interval with the most detailed and accurate record of fish
catches to be found anywhere. Minor changes have been made. Prior to 1933, the pink tickets were collected periodically by the local wardens. In that year, however, additional legislation required the dealers to send in the triplicate copies on the first and sixteenth of each month. The purpose of this provision was to strengthen law enforcement, for it thus became a violation of the code to withhold from the State any fish receipts.

In the same year (1933) the individual dealers were protected by an important piece of legislation. This provided that the record obtained from individual dealers was not a public record. It provided that statistics should be published in summary form, in such manner as would not divulge the business of an individual dealer or concern. This provision has been scrupulously observed, with the consequence that the industry now submits with confidence detailed and accurate records to the Department of Fish and Game.

Another minor change was made in 1950. To meet a variety of problems, and to accommodate the industry, a fourth copy was added to all books. This fourth copy is orange in color. Many dealers employ agents, or operate regional branch offices. In such cases the accounts are kept at the headquarters or main office of the company. Heretofore the agent or regional office making a purchase from a fisherman has eventually sent the pink ticket to his main office to be entered in the company's books. This delayed the receipt of the pink ticket by the Department of Fish and Game, and created innumerable minor difficulties. The fourth copy has solved these problems, and has been appreciated and extensively used, especially by the northern dealers. Now branch offices and agents can retain the fourth (orange) copy for their own records and transmit the yellow dealer's copy to headquarters for accounting. Likewise in the transport of fish by truck, the fourth copy is frequently used as a bill of lading.

While there is basically only one fish receipt, this is issued in three different forms. Figures 1, 2 and 3 illustrate the three. Note that the information requested on each is essentially the same. In fact the upper portion of the three is identical. The differences in the forms are in size, and relative space and arrangement for recording the poundages, etc., of the purchase.

Figure 1 shows the short market form of fish receipt. Generally a boat delivering to a wholesale market has from one to a half dozen species of fish in relatively small quantities. Hence a single entry for each species generally suffices, and a 4 " x 4\#" ticket has proved adequate in size.


FIGURE 1. The short market ticket. This form is used by the majority of wholesale fish dealers buying market fish from fishermen
Figure 2 shows the long market, or trawler receipt, which is identical with the short form, but provides in a ticket of 4 " x $7 \#$ " more space for the record of purchase. This is needed because the trawlers in general catch a large varity of fish.

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## CALIFORNIA DIVISION OF FISH AND GAME

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NAME OF


WHERE WERE FISH CAUGHT, 2557
GVE BLOCK NO.


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FIGURE 2. The long market, or trawler ticket. This form is used mainly by dealers buying from drag boats. The larger variety of species delivered requires a longer ticket


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Figure 3 shows the cannery form of fish receipt. This measures $4^{\prime \prime} \times 7 \#^{\prime \prime}$ also, but the arrangement is such as to provide space for a tally of large quantities of a single species. Where a second species is delivered in the same load a separate fish receipt is made for each species.

The current forms differ slightly from those used in 1934. More information is now requested in the upper half of each. The origin or place of capture of the fish has in many fisheries assumed more importance. The type of gear employed is of greater interest. Because loads are now frequently trucked from one port to a plant elsewhere, it is necessary to know the first point of landing. Hence space for this information has been provided in the form.

The lower portion of the cannery ticket has likewise changed to conform with changing practices. At the canneries the weighing is now automatic or semiautomatic, and the net weight of fish is obtained directly. Hence it is no longer necessary to provide columns for gross, net and tare. The entire space is now available for the recording of individual bucket-loads of fish. In the long market, or trawler ticket, the "Number of boxes" has been eliminated, because the net weight of each species is now accurately determined.

Such changes are minor, and are made from time to time as new supplies of receipt books are ordered, and as conditions change in the industry. Basically the ticket is the same, and will remain so as long as it continues to supply the needed data as efficiently as it has done to date. Deficiencies in the record are due, not to the form of the ticket, but to the laxity of some dealers using them. This defect is gradually being corrected. In 1949 a biologist was assigned to call regularly on all the dealers of the State. His duties are to explain to the dealers the requirements and the reasons for them, and thus secure through their cooperation a more complete and satisfactory record. Based at our statistical headquarters, this biologist has an opportunity to survey the dealer records as they are received. From this survey he notes those dealers who are not complying with the requirements. On subsequent field trips the biologist visits such dealers and explains the deficiencies in their records in an effort to obtain their future cooperation. This has resulted in a great improvement, but the periodical contacts must be continued in order to avoid a gradual deterioration in the fish receipt entries.

## 2. CHECKER'S TICKETS

One other form needs mention. Early in the development of the sardine industry there arose the need of a direct check of the poundage of sardines purchased by each plant from the fishermen. Due primarily to the litigation and legislation over the reduction of sardines, the Department of Fish and Game employed seasonal help to estimate the sardine loads of the fleet and check the poundage unloaded at each plant. This procedure had a gradual beginning and no specific date can be set for its inception. However, by 1931 the routine appears to have been codified and since that date the record of the checker's weight has been filed with the corresponding sardine receipt.

During the sardine season sufficient seasonal help is employed at each port to make a routine check of fish received at each sardine processing plant. The extent of this check varies with the locality and to a greater extent with the economic conditions in a particular sardine season. When these conditions are such as to favor wholesale reduction, greater care is necessary in checking cannery receipts. Checkers are assigned to all ports and all points along the coast where sardines are landed.

The checking procedure varies in different regions and in different seasons. At one time a man was stationed at every cannery scale to record the weights of all fish landed. At present the need for such a rigid check has passed, and the procedure is to estimate (from experience, or from an interview with the captain) the approximate load of each boat. The checker then makes the rounds of the unloading hoists to see that scales are operating properly. Also, he watches the unloading of a portion of each load and estimates the percentage composition of any loads of mixed species of fish. His estimates and his observations are recorded on a special checker's ticket which is illustrated in Figure 4. This is a modification of the original ticket, which was changed slightly in 1935, and again revised in 1948. This ticket is green, to differentiate it clearly from the official fish receipt. A separate checker's ticket is made for each individual boat load. The checker's tickets are turned in daily to the local fish and game office and there matched and stapled to the corresponding fish receipt. Any discrepancies in the dual record are immediately investigated and corrected.

The checker's record thus becomes a supplementary part of the permanent landing record. At the present time there is no inducement to falsify the landing figures, and the check serves principally to estimate the percentage composition by species in mixed loads of fish. The statistical record is based entirely upon the pink ticket record, and not upon the checker's figures. However, the checker's ticket is used to prorate, in the statistical record, the poundage of sardines, mackerel and other species in mixed loads of fish.

At the outlying districts where fish are landed for transportation to distant plants the checker's tickets serve another useful purpose. Because such loads are often purchased from the fishermen by an independent buyer acting as agent for several companies and because such loads are frequently split or combined and trucked to different plants, the balancing of fish receipts against production records is complicated. As a local employee of the department, the checker is often able to explain on his ticket the disposition and fate of individual boat loads. This is of considerable help to the personnel of both patrol and statistical units.


Figure 4. Cannery ticket on left. Where automatic or semi-automatic scales are used, the scale trips when a given weight is in the
bucket. Hence the tripping weight multiplied by the number of bucket loads yields the total weight. On right. The corresponding checker's ticket made out independently by the fish and game checker.

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LOCALITY OF CATCH (block number) $\qquad$


Imit 50 Tons total weight pounds 76000
 make notes of anything unusual about load

unloading time-start $6: 30$ aim. stop $7: 45$ aim.


FIGURE 4.-Cont'd. Checker's ticket.

## 3. INVENTORY SYSTEM

In 1950 there were 528 licensed dealers and 154 processors in the State. Depending upon the volume of his business each individual or concern is currently issued from 1 to 20 books of fish receipts, and it is to our interest, if not our responsibility, to see that no dealer ever runs out of books. For this and other reasons it is necessary that the statistical unit know at all times what unused stock each dealer has on hand, to whom each book was issued, what books have been completed, and what incompleted books are still at large. This in itself is a formidable problem.

Not only must the statistical unit account for every book, but it is our goal to account for every individual receipt in each book. The reason for this is that at times a dealer will for one reason or another withhold a group of tickets and later fail to send them in. Without an adequate and efficient inventory system this would never be detected and the record would suffer proportionately.

The inventory system in use includes: a permanent, duplicate, loose leaf historical record of each book, consecutively arranged by serial numbers; a $3^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ card used exclusively to transmit information about each specific book from the office of final issue to the statistical headquarters; and a 4" x 6" card used both as an inventory of books on hand and outstanding, and as a check on the contained receipts in each book.


Immediately upon issuance of book, this card to be mailed to STATISTICS, Department of Fish and Game, Terminal.

Figure 5. A $3 \times 5$ inch fish receipt book inventory card.
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MARKET BOOKS SUPPLIED
OFFICE_Terminal Island
DATE_ June 30, 1951


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* 150351 Dealer out of business. No record of what became of this book.
* 150551 Book destroyed by water. 10/10/51 (Per Warden)
* 150801 Balance of book turned in. Used thru NPQ 150830. Held in Statistics.
* 150851 Reissued to Pacific Mutual Fish Co., Long Beach 10/1/51
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Figure 6. A page from the loose leaf permanent record of fish receipt books
FIGURE 6. A page from the loose leaf permanent record of fish receipt books issued to dealers
The entire reserve supply of receipt books is stored at Terminal Island. To each book on hand is stapled a 3" x 5" card illustrated in Figure 5. As supplies go to the regional offices a record of each book is made in duplicate on the loose leaf permanent record (Figure 6). The original is maintained as a comprehensive state-wide record at the statistical unit, while the duplicate goes to the branch office. When a book is issued the $3^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ card is removed, filled in completely with the date of issue and the name of the dealer to whom issued, and after this information has been recorded on the duplicate loose leaf record the card is transmitted to Terminal Island where the information is transferred to the original of the loose leaf permanent file. Later, as each book is completed the fact is recorded, with any necessary explanatory notes, on the permanent file.


Figure 7. A $4 \times 6$ inch fish receipt inventory card. The record of individual tickets is continued on the reverse face of the card.
FIGURE 7. A $4 \times 6$ inch fish receipt inventory card. The record of individual tickets is continued on the reverse face of the card
Meanwhile the 4" x 6" card serves the branch office as an inventory of each book. The cards corresponding to books issued to each dealer are filed separately by dealer, while the cards for unissued books serve as a check of the supply on hand. Individual completed fish receipts are checked as received on appropriate spaces on the 4" x 6"card in order to account for all receipts and detect any irregularities. A glance at this file shows immediately if any dealer has failed to turn in fish receipts for the month. As each book is completed the 4 " x 6 " card is withdrawn from the local files and sent to the statistical unit where the permanent record is completed and closed.

The foregoing inventory system has been in operation since November, 1950. Before that date each regional office had gradually modified an earlier routine to suit its own particular needs. The result was that the unity and completeness of the over-all state-wide record was sacrificed, and the expansion and fluidity of the industry caused endless confusion. The present system is adequate and satisfactory. However, it depends on careful attention to detail and close adherence to the established routine. Given this, it has already shown that it works efficiently. We now have a better record and history of fish receipt books than at any time in the past.

## 4. MARKET FISHERMAN'S LICENSE

For the privilege of making a livelihood from the fish and shellfish which are the property of all of the people of the State, the commercial fisherman pays a license fee of $\$ 10$ each year. The money thus collected is spent for the benefit of the commercial fisheries and it therefore reverts to the benefit of the fisherman. In 1909 the first license fee of $\$ 2.50$ per year was collected from individual fishermen. Prior to that time the license had been for the boat and crew. In 1913 the fee was raised to $\$ 10$,
state of california
department of natural resources
DIVISION OF FISH AND GAME-BUREAU OF MARINE FISHERIES application for Market fisherman's License and Commercial fishing boat registration


I Hereby Certify, That I have been a resident of the United States continuously for one year prior to this daic.
[Applicant
Sign Here]
If License Applicant Operates a Commercial Fishing Boat, Barge or Vessel, the Following Questions Shall Be Answered Before License Is Issued:


| Name in Full J | ddress.... 1234 | 56 th St., San Pedro |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Name in Full | Suret Cier |  |
| Name in Full....JACK SSiITH | Address..... 1155 | Ocean Ave, Long Beach |  |
| Cuptio or Opertor |  | stret | Сir |
| Type of Bont (This means type of hull, not the k | g engaged in). |  |  |
| Some boat types include: $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Tuna clipper } \\ \text { Purse seiner } X \\ \text { Round haul boat }\end{array}$ | Drag boat <br> Salmon troller (jig boat) <br> River gill netter | Water taxi <br> Transom stern troller Power dory | Dory <br> Skiff <br> Etc. |




Gear Purse Seine


Former Boat Name
Figure s. Market fisherman's license application and boat registration form. The upper half of this form is the application for market fisherman's license. The lower half applies to the boat owner or operator, and constitutes the boat registration.
FIGURE 8. Market fisherman's license application and boat registration form. The upper half of this form is the application for market fisherman's license. The lower half applies to the boat owner or operator, and constitutes the boat registration
and despite steadily rising cost of everything else, the license fee has remained the same for 38 years.
The license year runs from April 1st through March 31st of the following year. The law requires that every person who brings fish ashore, who operates or assists in operating equipment designed for taking fish or shellfish which is to be sold for profit, must have a commercial fishing license (Section 990). The license is subject to forfeiture (Section 993) in the event of failure to abide by the State Fish and Game Code regulating the fisheries. It must be produced for examination upon the request of duly authorized officers.

The license issued to one person is not transferable to another, and each license carries a description of the licensee. To procure a license, a formal application must be made (Section 990.1) and pertinent information concerning the fisherman, his boat or his method of fishing is required on the application form (Figure 8). After the license is issued (Figure 9), the application form becomes an important basic record in the statistics of the fisheries. The original application is held in the office of issue and a copy of each application is sent to the statistical unit at Terminal Island, where it is filed as a permanent record. The data from the applications are transferred to punch cards to facilitate the compilation of summary statistics. The record given on individual applications is confidential, but summaries are compiled and published each year for the manifold needs of administration and research.

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## Figure 9. Market fisherman's license.

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The requirement that the fisherman identify the vessel on which he is fishing at the time he makes his application for a license has proven of great value in the work with the fish receipts. often the fish dealers will identify the fisherman on the receipt, but will fail to identify the boat which made the landing. An alphabetical (chaindex) record of fishermen licensed for the current year, made from the applications, enables us to tie the fisherman in with his boat and thus complete such records, which in turn makes the final tabulations of greater value to the biologist studying the fishery.

## 5. BOAT REGISTRATION

Once a year every person owning or operating a vessel engaged in commercial fishing must register this vessel with the Department of Fish and Game. The vessel must be identified by fish and game number, boat name, and the Federal Bureau of Customs number or the equivalent documented number. To complete the identification, the name of the owner and operator is required, and a complete description of the vessel and its gear must be given. The actual registration form is combined, for convenience, with the fisherman's license application form (Figure 8), and both sections may be completed or only one portion, according to whether a fisherman is applying for a license and/or registering his boat. This annual registration is necessary to provide a continuous record of changes in the fleet and an adequate description of the vessels making the individual catches. This is necessary in scientific studies of the effort expended in making a given catch.
 he registers his vessel for the current year.
FIGURE 10. Certificate of registry. This form is issued to the owner or operator when he registers his vessel for the current year
When a vessel is registered a certificate of registration is issued to the owner, and this certificate must be kept on board the vessel during the registration year (Figure 10). This extends from April 1st through March 31st of the following year, which is identical with the commercial fishing license year. There is no fee for registering a vessel, but there is a penalty (seldom imposed) for nonregistration. Failure to register carries a minimum fine of $\$ 100$ or 25 days. There is no inclination on the part of the boat owners to avoid registration, but registration is often inadvertently overlooked. It requires constant vigilance to get a complete registration of all active fishing vessels.

Boat registration was initiated in 1919, and the individual registration forms have been kept in the statistical files ever since. This historical record has proved invaluable, for it has made possible the projection of current studies into the past. Without this detailed boat registration record it would not be possible to evaluate the earlier catch in terms of the effort expended in making it. At present, summaries are compiled each year which are designed to facilitate future studies.

## 6. BOAT PLATES AND BOAT PLATE APPLICATIONS

Prior to 1931, fishing vessels were identified in our statistical system by boat name or by U. S. Bureau of Customs number. Boat names frequently changed, and the customs number was changed whenever a vessel transferred registry from any of the three customs districts in California. Although the documented number issued by the Federal Government to vessels over five net tons remained always with that vessel, the majority of vessels at that time were under this tonnage. Under these circumstances a certain degree of confusion was inevitable.

When in 1931 the state fisheries statistical system was mechanized, it became necessary to assign a specific number to each individual boat, and to use that number for that boat alone. The desirability of such a numbering system now became a necessity. A four-digit numbering system was devised and a stock of numbered plates ordered. These plates


Figure 11. Shows the latest type of fish and game boat plate attached to the deckhouse of a fishing vessel.
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resembled automobile license plates but were slightly smaller, with black numerals on a white background. Each carried the symbol


FIGURE
to the left of the number. The plates were constructed of noncorrosive metal in order to withstand the effects of salt air and spray. Two identical plates comprised a set, and these were to be fastened on either side of the superstructure of the vessel (Figure 11).

In initiating the system and distributing the plates, a state-wide survey of all fishing boats within the State was conducted by the fish and game wardens. As the plates were distributed and attached to the boats, the wardens obtained a complete description of each vessel, and from this and other sources a historical sketch of each boat was compiled. The owners and operators of each vessel were told the purpose of the plates and given an explanation of the system contemplated. The records thus obtained were compiled and cross-indexed and carefully checked against the customs registrations. From that time on, the boat names were subordinated to the fish and game number, and the latter became the identifying code for each boat.

The plates themselves, issued free, remain the property of the State. If they are lost, destroyed or mutilated, the boat owner is required to make formal application for duplicate plates for which he is charged a nominal fee. When such plates are replaced, the replacements carry the original number. During World War II it was difficult to get suitable noncorrosive metal for the plates, and for a period of years plates of inferior quality were necessarily issued. As a consequence of rapid deterioration the numbers soon became illegible, and the numbering system began to lose its effectiveness. When, therefore, in 1949 the State was again able to obtain suitable noncorrosive metal the entire series of defective plates was recalled and new replicas issued.

The first series of plates had now been in use for 17 years, and it was decided to replace at this time (1949) the first 7,000 sets issued. This was done at state expense in order to maintain legible numbers on all boats. All future replacements will be at the boat owner's expense, and the cost of such is set by law at $\$ 2$ per plate or $\$ 4$ for the pair.

To provide for the numbering of new boats and those entering California fisheries for the first time, an application for boat plates was devised. This application (Figure 12) calls for a complete description of the vessel and such history as is needed to check its identity. Upon receipt of such an application a careful search is made through the boat files by boat name, owner's name, the name of previous owners, by documented or customs number, and every precaution is taken to prevent the issue of a new number to a previously numbered boat. Not infrequently we find that such an application applies to a boat that is re-entering the fishing business after perhaps years of use in other fields. In such cases new plates bearing the original number are issued at the legal cost. Not until the record is thoroughly checked and cleared are new numbers ever issued.

Negligent or ignorant owners frequently enter the fisheries without securing an identifying number for their vessel. This fact is brought to light by their first delivery. When fish receipts come in credited to a boat bearing no fish and game number, the case is immediately turned


Figure 12. Boat plate application. This is the form used by owners applying for fish and game boat plates.
FIGURE 12. Boat plate application. This is the form used by owners applying for fish and game boat plates over to the Bureau of Patrol. The owner or operator is then contacted, his license and boat registration checked, and he is requested to file an immediate application for boat plates. The greatest problem that we have in this field concerns transient boats from the neighboring states. In the albacore season, especially, innumerable boats from the Pacific Northwest engage in our California fisheries, and it is extremely difficult to secure
registration and correct identification of this fleet. The solution will involve cooperative effort of the several state agencies, coordinated by the Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission.

In our statistical system the boat is identified by its fish and game number. All other information is subordinate but corroboratory. Hence our master boat file is arranged by number. Each boat is represented by a 3' x 5' card which contains in summary the complete history of the vessel and all its distinguishing symbols. Name, owner, previous names and owners, documented or custom number, type and year built are given. Moreover, the file is kept constantly up to date, and the full time of a clerk is needed to record the changes that continually occur. Such information flows in a constant stream from the field offices of our own department, from the wardens and field men, from current boat registrations and from checks which are made continuously against the Bureau of Customs and U . S. Coast Guard records. The cooperation of these agencies has been of vital importance in maintaining the accuracy of the record of vessels in the fleet. A secondary file is also maintained by boat name, and one by Bureau of Customs numbers, so that any boat can be traced by any identifying symbol over a 20 -year period. A cross-index for the current year is maintained through a reference chaindex file.
"Dead" boats are those lost, dismantled or otherwise permanently removed from the active fleet. The file record of such boats is maintained separately, though intact, for the use of biologists engaged in long range studies. The identifying numbers of all such boats are not immediately reissued. Originally it was our intent to eliminate permanently all such numbers. The subsequent phenomenal growth of the fleet revised this decision. To avoid a gradual transition to larger and larger identifying numbers, which by their magnitude would defeat the intent of the system, it is now customary to reissue the numbers of dead boats after a lapse of at least five years. This delay will obviate any danger of confusion.

The system of boat numbering described above has worked efficiently without serious modification for a period of 21 years. It will work indefinitely if it receives the same meticulous care it has received thus far. Detailed routine must be rigorously followed, and the record kept constantly up to date. With the catch statistics, the boat file is the backbone of our statistical system.

## 7. TRAWLER LOGS

Trawler logs were introduced on California trawler vessels in December, 1933, as part of the official statistical system of this State for the collection of basic records regarding the operation of this fishery. Originally, the trawler log was an integral part of the fish receipt. This system, with the logs and fish receipts combined in one form, worked satisfactorily in the earlier years. At that time the entire trawler catch was made with the "paranzella" net, which was a large seine dragged over the bottom by two boats running parallel. The cost of net, warps and boats represented an investment that was too much for individual fishermen. As a consequence the wholesale houses supplied the boats and gear and operated the fleet with paid crews. This is the only case on the California coast where fishermen have in recent years worked for wages.

For these reasons the combination of fish receipt and log in one form was logical at the time.
In the early years the paranzella nets made lucrative catches. In fact this gear caught more (some claim twice as much) per drag than did the otterboard trawl. The latter gear was tried in 1919 but met with no favor. Between 1936 and 1940 the otterboard gear was reintroduced experimentally by the Department of Fish and Game. By this time the earlier fishing grounds were showing signs of depletion, and the return to the boat owners had diminished. Because the cost of operating an otterboard trawl (requiring only one boat) was proportionately less than in the case of the paranzella, the industry showed a greater interest in the otter trawl at its second introduction. Individual commercial trials of the otterboard gear were made, and while no detailed history of these trials is conveniently at hand, the otterboard trawl had entirely replaced the paranzella net by 1944, and since then has continued in exclusive use.

This change had a profound effect upon our statistical record. In place of the five to nine pairs of company owned and operated paranzella boats, there is now an average of 48 individual otterboard trawl nets operated each month by as many boats which are owned and operated by individual fishermen. No longer do the dealers exercise a dominant control of the fishery. The combined fish receipt-trawler log form was no longer a suitable one for use. Moreover it was large and cumbersome, measuring

DAILY TRAWLER LOG
California Division of Fish and Game


Figure 13. The daily trawler log now in use.
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$18^{\prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime}$, and called for more bookkeeping than the individual, busy fisherman had time for.
In 1945 a new form was designed to meet the needs of the changed fishery. The log record was separated entirely from the fish receipt. Both portions were modified. Fish receipts were made up in books of 50, each measuring 4' x 7\#'. The form, now known as the trawler or long market ticket, is identical in format with the regular market ticket. It is, however, longer (Figure 2). Because the trawlers deliver a large variety of species in relatively large quantities, more space for these entries is needed and provided on this ticket. This ticket is stocked by the dealers, who make out one each time a load is purchased from a fisherman.

The log portion of the original form was both simplified and abbreviated. It is reproduced in Figure 13. This form is supplied by the State and made up by the fisherman. It is a record of his actual daily fishing operations. As such it supplies the name and Fish and Game number of the vessel, the date of the drag, the block area in which it was made, the type of net used and the dealer to whom the catch was sold. Specific information concerning each drag is also requested. For research purposes, it is necessary to know the duration of the drag (the time at which the net was both set and lifted), the direction of the drag and an estimate of the catch by species per drag. This information is recorded on the log, and a column is provided for pertinent remarks. The record is made in duplicate. The original is retained by the fisherman for his own use, while the duplicate goes to the Department of Fish and Game. In practice, the completed daily logs are picked up by a warden with the fish receipts from the wholesale houses, or more often, they are mailed by the boat captain direct to the regional Fish and Game office. Here, each log is matched and stapled to the corresponding fish receipt. Thus, the effort in terms of drags, recorded in the log, is associated with the resultant catch reported in the fish receipt.

Authority for obtaining this information has been given to the department by the Legislature and is set forth in Section 1097 of the Fish and Game Code. This section states that the master of any drag vessel must keep a daily record in a book which will be furnished by the commission. The record must show the locality, time of haul, and approximate catch made during that haul. It also states in this section that on or before the fifteenth day of each month, the records shall be sent to the commission.

Section 1096.5 of the Fish and Game Code states that the specific information contained in each log is confidential, and shall, so far as possible, be compiled and published only in summary form, so as not to disclose the individual records or business of any person, firm or corporation.

The effective operation of a system of this type requires continuous personal contact with the fishermen. A detailed inspection of each log and delivery ticket must be made. This is done upon receipt of the record at the regional office by the clerical help, and again at monthly intervals by the biologist engaged upon that investigation. Defects in the record are noted, and the responsible dealer or boat captain is interviewed by a warden or biologist. Persistent explanation of the problem to the fishermen and dealers is necessary to obtain the data in a complete and satisfactory form.

Data from the trawler logs has enabled the department to observe fluctuating conditions in the industry, and interpret the trends of the total catch. Summarization gives a very complete picture of the composition of the catch and the season and locations where this was made. Such a summary for 1949 shows that during this year a catch of $23,750,600$ pounds was reported by trawlers and covered by accompanying logs. This represented approximately 90 percent of the over-all total catch by trawler boats in the State for this year. Some 18,094 drags were made in 1949, for which $\log$ records were obtained. Six thousand one hundred and sixty-five boat days were spent in making the catch of $23,750,600$ pounds. The average catch per day's fishing amounted to 3,852 pounds, and the average catch per drag was 1,313 pounds of salable fish to the fisherman.

The system described, though imperfect, works satisfactorily. There is at least one inherent difficulty. When a vessel stays out and fishes for two or more days, a log record is made for each day's fishing. Upon return to port the entire load, comprising the catch of the two or more days, is sold and recorded on a single fish receipt. In this case two or more days of fishing effort must be matched against the single fish receipt. The difficulty concerns the prorating of the catch to the different points-or areas-of origin shown in the $\log$ of fishing operations. After some thought and trials the problem was solved by crediting the entire catch made on a two or three day trip, to the area which yielded the greatest estimated catch. To evaluate the effect of such a solution, a test was run using the records for 1949. Results showed that 88.4 percent of the total catch was correctly credited to the 10 mile square from which the catch actually came. Accordingly this system has been adopted and all such catches are coded in this manner. The log records thus obtained and processed enable the department to determine the amount of effort, both over-all and regional, associated with the resultant catch, and thus reveal the condition of the stock.

## 8. ORIGIN CODES AND MAPS

The water areas in which individual catches are made are recorded in our statistics by a system of numbers. These numbers are systematically grouped and the resulting groups are defined as statistical regions. Such regions are based in part on the natural distribution of fish of various species and in part on the size, number and location of fishing ports. Local field offices are maintained in the principal statistical regions, and throughout the text these offices are referred to as regional offices. Such references should not be confused with the current reorganizational plans for departmental regional administrative offices. The regional statistical offices are not necessarily located in the operational regional headquarters. Hence, regional in this text refers consistently and exclusively to the fisheries statistical regions.

The numerical system used to define water areas has many advantages. It avoids the ambiguity and uncertainty of loose geographical description; it restricts the origin to an area delimited and defined on a chart, and it is directly adaptable to the mechanical system in use for processing the records, namely the International Business Machines.

The system of block areas adopted in 1933 and described in Fish Bulletin No. 44, has continued in use, with only slight modification, to the present day. Originally the coastal waters of the State were divided into eight statistical zones, numbered from north to south, by parallels of latitude. The boundaries of these zones were:

| Region I | From the California-Oregon border | lat. $42^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Region II | To Trinidad Head | lat. $41^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
|  | From Trinidad Head | lat. $41^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| Region III | To Point Arena | lat. $39^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| Region IV | The Sacramento-San Joaquin River System |  |
|  | From Point Arena | lat. $39^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| Region V | To Pigeon Point | lat. $37^{\circ} 10^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
|  | From Pigeon Point | lat. $37^{\circ} 10^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| Region VI | To Piedras Blancas | lat. $35^{\circ} 40^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
|  | From Piedras Blancas | lat. $35^{\circ} 40^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| Region VII | To Point Dume | lat. $34^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
|  | From Point Dume | lat. $34^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
| Region VIII | To San Onofre | lat. $33^{\circ} 20^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
|  | From San Onofre | lat. $33^{\circ} 20^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |
|  | To U. S.-Mexican Boundary | lat. $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. |

In the original tabulating machine, and the cards adapted to it (1931), only three columns were available for points of origin. This meant that for the entire State and the waters beyond state boundaries fished by our vessels, there were 999 separate numbers available. of these, 100 were assigned to each statistical region, or zone, in a manner described in the earlier catch bulletin. This left 100 numbers (900-999) free for assignment to waters beyond the state boundaries, which were exploited by the California fishing fleet. As negligible landings were made in the extreme north, and no fishing by California boats was carried on north of the boundary, whereas heavy catches were made below the U. S.-Mexican boundary, the entire 900 series of numbers was assigned to southern waters. Originally these numbers were assigned at random as need arose, but as the tuna fishery developed, a telescopic system of numbering origins was devised, adopted in May 1938 and has been used consistently since.

This system, which has not hitherto been described in print, was expressly adapted to the tuna fishery. At the time (1938) the fishery covered the coastal and insular waters from California to approximately $2^{\circ} \mathrm{S}$. latitude. By insular is meant those islands and island groups along this coast line which were within the fishing range of the tuna fleet. The farthest outlying islands, Clipperton and the Galapagos group, are roughly within 600 miles of the mainland. All catches of yellowfin tuna and skipjack came from this area. However, relatively few boat loads came from a single small segment of this area. On most trips a vessel would fish, and catch a portion of its load, in numerous localities within this extent. Hence it was generally impossible to assign a load to a single origin. Furthermore, it was not easy to obtain from the fishermen the exact locality of their catches.

In order to use all information available, provision in the origin code was therefore made to record all specific origins, when such were known,
and at the same time designate a general area where catches were dispersed. The entire area between the $U$. S.-Mexican boundary ( $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$.) and $2^{\circ} \mathrm{S}$., was divided into five zones of latitude. These were not contiguous; they were overlapping. All started from the California boundary, but each extended a different distance southward. From north to south these zones were numbered as follows:
$910 \quad$ From lat. $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. to lat. $27^{\circ} 23^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$.
$920 \quad$ From lat. $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. to lat. $22^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$
$930 \quad$ From lat. $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. to lat. $16^{\circ} 12^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$
$940 \quad$ From lat. $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. to lat. $7^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$.
$950 \quad$ From lat. $32^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$. to lat. $2^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{S}$.
There remained nine numbers available for assignment within each zone. Four of these were used to designate the predominant coastal areas, according to the scheme suggested in Figure 14. The coastal waters of each interzonal area were divided into three portions, numbered from north to south, two, three and four. The combination of these three portions was collectively designated by the figure 1 . Thus, if an entire catch was made off Cape Blanco, Costa Rica, it was coded in our record 944. If, however, the catch was made at several points between the Gulf of Tehuantepec and Coiba Island it was coded 941 . The numbers five to nine were used either to designate offshore banks or islands, or left unassigned. The number eight was used to indicate offshore catches where precise origin was not known. This was possibly a mistake, because there has been some confusion of these numbers on the chart with the zone numbers. Within certain zones arbitrary codes were necessarily used, but the scheme described was followed wherever possible. The numbers from 960 upwards were left in reserve for future need.

The extent, or southern boundary of a zone, was suggested by the practice of the fleet and the size of the vessels in it. Thus, in 1938, and even today, a large number of the smaller boats seldom go beyond Cape San Lucas; hence the 920 zone. Each zone was similarly defined. Although the limits were quite arbitrary, the system has worked fairly well. It has provided adequately for the data available. While the origins in our statistical record are far from precise or perfect, the reason is not that the system is at fault, but rather that precise origins could not, with the staff available, be obtained.

In the intervening years our fisheries have greatly expanded. Today extensive catches are made north of the state boundary; large tonnages of fish come from Mexican and Central American waters, and imports of frozen tuna for processing in California, come from the entire Pacific Ocean.

If these new origins are to be incorporated into our statistical system, each must necessarily be assigned a different number. With only the unassigned 900 series of numbers available this would be impossible, without a complete revision of our system were it not for the fact that larger machines, carrying a greater number of columns were installed in 1947. With a larger card upon which the individual record was punched, it became possible to assign four columns to the origin field. This meant that 9999 numbers were available for specific water areas, instead of the 999. But to utilize this additional set of numbers it would be necessary to reorganize entirely the existing system of numbering. Eventually this will be done, but it is as yet premature. There is no present need for such


FIGURE 14. The origin codes applied to catches coming from south of the United States-Mexican boundary. Adopted May, 1938
a drastic change. The immediate needs can be temporarily met by expediency. This has been done.
The waters to the north of California have arbitrarily been assigned four-digit numbers. These numbers are those used by the States of Oregon and Washington, to designate their water areas. As they are all four-digit numbers, we can use them without any modification or confusion. Thus, any time a four-digit origin code appears in our records, it is immediately apparent that the catch was made in the waters of Oregon or Washington. To provide for shipments from, and occasional loads caught in the Pacific Northwest, where the precise origin is not known, we arbitrarily use codes as follows:

## $002=$ Alaska <br> $003=$ British Columbia <br> $004=$ Washington

005=Oregon
006=Oregon and/or Washington
These general origin codes suffice for our mechanical needs.
The distant Pacific origins have been assigned the remaining numbers of the 900 series according to a scheme illustrated in Figure 15. The Pacific was arbitrarily divided into a central, southern, and western zone, suggested by the potential tuna fisheries. The South American waters were assigned the 960 series, and that number designated the entire South American zone. The central Pacific was assigned the number 970, to indicate the whole delimited area. Similarly 980 defined the region lying in the southwest Pacific shown in the figure. Each of these three regions had nine numbers available for subdivision. Numbers were assigned specifically only as needed to meet the statistical need of describing the origin of specific imports. Thus shipments from Japan are coded 982 while those originating in Australia are coded 989. Shipments from the Fiji Islands are coded 978. Admittedly this is an expedient, but it was adopted because such was preferable to a break in continuity of the past record until this break is justified by a carefully conceived and comprehensive system which will stand the test of time.

In the foregoing listing of statistical regions, it will be noted that the 300 series of numbers was assigned to the Sacramento-San Joaquin River system. Within this system the assignment of numbers was partial and arbitrary. There are inherent drawbacks to the random assignment of numbers. One such drawback is the fact that it frequently happens that the general origin of a particular catch is known, but not the specific block area. In such cases there are two alternative methods of processing the data. Either the catch must be arbitrarily assigned to a specific area, with the possibility of an error in judgment, or the catch must be recorded as origin unknown. In the former case the reliability of the record becomes questionable. In the latter case definite, general knowledge of the origin is lost, because it does not show in the tabulated record.

This limitation became apparent in the river records. Here, the general region in which the catch was made was usually known, but since specific areas were randomly numbered, this information could not be incorporated into the permanent tabulated reports.


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FIGURE 15. The origin codes adopted January 1, 1950, for use with imports of fish from the entire Pacific region

To correct this defect, the numbers in Region 3 were reassigned in 1951, and the new origin codes became effective as of January 1, 1952. The new system was telescopic, as in the case of the 900 series. The entire river system was divided into a few large natural areas, based upon prior experience with the river fisheries. Each such larger area was assigned 10 consecutive numbers, e.g. 320 to 329 , and was itself designated by the first number of this series. Thus, for example, the number 320 designated a general area which itself was (or could be) subdivided into nine parts. Where a specific origin is now given, it can be coded by the corresponding number, e.g. 326; but in cases where only a general origin is given, this information can now be incorporated into the record by using the number of the larger area, e.g. 320, from which the catch is known to have come. Thus all available information will now go into the record, without in any way depreciating the accuracy of the record. This system of numbers, adopted January 1,1952 , is shown in Figure 16.

The same problem arose in the ocean fisheries. Frequently a general origin was given-or known-but the exact block area from which the catch came was not known. In order to salvage the information available on such origins, specific block areas were grouped into natural fishing areas, and an unassigned number (within the corresponding regional series) was used to indicate this grouping. For example, numerous records show that the catch was made at Santa Catalina Island. As catches from this location could be assigned to at least six separate block areas, it would be obviously arbitrary and incorrect to assign a catch to any one in particular. Therefore the six blocks involved were collectively designated by the number 797, so that the general information given could be included in the record. The need for this was not originally foreseen, but a modification to meet this need has been extensively made without any radical change in the block area system.

The system of defining and recording the origin of catches, described in this and earlier bulletins, has proved generally satisfactory. All origin information given on the fish receipt goes into the tabulated record, and nothing goes into this record that is in any way questionable. The statistics are therefore as complete and as reliable as the original record. Unfortunately, all fish receipts are not complete, and data on origin is frequently omitted. To a limited extent this deficit is corrected in the following manner. At weekly or monthly intervals the current fish receipts for a given fishery are reviewed by a biologist assigned to that fishery. The origin given on individual receipts is compared with his sampling notes, and any missing origin is inserted where such is actually known. Nothing is added to the ticket arbitrarily. In this way the origin records are both checked and supplemented. Unfortunately, this cannot be done for all species. The practice is confined to the major fisheries under biological investigation. At this time the biologist also notes those processors who are negligent in completing the receipts, and this information is turned over to the statistical field biologist who attempts on subsequent trips to secure better cooperation from such concerns. While a perfect record is obviously unobtainable, we attempt by these means to maintain and improve the quality of our catch statistics.


FIGURE 16. The revised system of origin codes, adopted January 1, 1952, for the Sacramento-San Joaquin River system

## 9. MECHANICAL DEVICES

The development of our fisheries statistical system has paralleled that of every growing industrial process. Small at inception, the entire earlier record was manually tabulated. The problems of thus compiling the data increased with the volume of the ticket record, until by 1930 there was time and help sufficient only to keep abreast with the current receipts. The record of preceding years had not been analyzed, and the chances of going back into this record to extract its full value to research became increasingly remote. Furthermore the ever increasing volume of current work left no time for careful consideration and interpretation of the extensive record. We never failed to compile the actual catch by species, but circumstances were forcing us to abandon our primary objective of analyzing the statistics in the endeavor to evaluate the condition of each major fishery.

In 1930 the crisis was met by the foresight of the administrative head of the Division of Fish and Game. Upon his instructions, arrangements were made to mechanize the department, and the following year International Business Machine equipment was installed to process the record.

The change from manual to mechanical processing, based on punch cards, involved the establishment of a complete numerical code system. Each item of information on the original fish receipt had to be exactly and specifically defined by an arbitrary code number. This was one of the major problems incident to mechanizing the process.

No special codes are required for date, pounds or price. All weights are converted into pounds, and the price is shown in cents and fractions of a cent per pound. Cities and dealers were assigned code numbers conforming to the statistical region in which they were located. The condition of the fish, whether dressed or round, the gear with which it was caught and the type of tax assessable were also coded with little difficulty. The species of fish, the origin of the catch and the boat identification presented the principal difficulties. How the two latter problems were solved is described on pages 26 and 32.

The species code was made to conform to biological relationship. The mackerel-like fishes were assigned the series 001 to 099 , and within this series specific relationships dictated the numbers used. Thus, the tunas were coded consecutively 001 to 009 . River species were assigned the 300 series, conforming to the numbering of Region 3, which embraced the Sacramento-San Joaquin River systems. Mollusks and crustaceans were assigned respectively the 700 and 800 series. This system makes the coding of the species easier to use and remember and therefore less subject to error. Moreover, it facilitates the sorting of cards for special studies on related species, as in the case of flatfish.

The principal difficulty in the coding of species was not inherent in the system but resulted from the use of incorrect or colloquial names. To obviate this it was necessary to develop a list, arranged numerically by code number, of all commercial species, with both the commonly accepted name and all the known misnomers after each. It was also necessary to develop an alphabetical cross index so that the correct code could be readily obtained for any given name.

The basic data in our statistical record is taken directly from the fish receipts. These are collected at least twice a month. The receipts are processed by statistical regions. Each item of information is checked and coded. Missing information, which cannot be obtained, is coded 999,00 , or in the case of origins, assigned a general regional origin code in certain fisheries. Where the boat identification number is missing, the boat registration files are consulted and every effort is made to trace the catch to the correct boat. Two clerks work with the tickets of each region. One makes the original check and assigns the codes, and the other rechecks this work to eliminate all possible error before the work is punched.

There are three basic steps in the I. B. M. procedure.

1. The written information on the fish receipts is coded and the codes transferred to individual punch cards
2. The punched cards are then sorted by machine into a desired sequence.
3. The sorted cards are then run through the tabulating machines which produce a printed summary as desired, or a listing report.

The statistical unit at Terminal Island uses two types of key-punch machines. The first type punches numerical codes only. The second type punches both numerical and alphabetical data. Up to 1947 we used only the numerical codes, but in that year the tabulating machines were modified


Figure 17. Four key-punch machines in operation. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
FIGURE 17. Four key-punch machines in operation. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
to meet our needs, and the alphabetical type-bars were added. Further historical notes on these machines will be presented later.

In key-punching (Figure 17) the cards are fed automatically into the machine. As each hole is punched the card is automatically advanced to the next column. As the operator completes the punching of a card, it is ejected and stacked, and a new card inserted. An efficient operator can punch on this machine several hundred cards per hour. Speed in punching depends largely on the number of holes to be punched and on the legibility of the source data.

There are 80 columns in the card we use (Figure 18), with 12 positions in each column. One hole is punched per column to indicate a number, while a combination of two holes in a single column records a given letter of the alphabet. The eleventh and twelfth positions in each column are primarily for the alphabetical code.

To expedite the work the key-punch machine is equipped with a duplicating device so that information common to a series of cards can be punched in a single operation. This device enables the machine to "read" information from a master card and transfer all this information to the card being punched. Data in the master card must obviously be common to all cards for the particular job being punched. Thus, in a given job the region, year and month may be identical throughout. The duplicating device saves the appreciable amount of work required to punch separately this data in every single card.

The punched cards are checked for accuracy by another operator using an I. B. M. verifier. This is similar in principle to the key-punch machine. Instead of punching a hole, however, the verifier "feels" the card in order to detect if the desired hole has been punched. The card will not move to the next column if a discrepancy occurs. The theory of the I. B. M. verifier is that different operators will not, in general, make the same punching error. Verifying is generally assigned to experienced operators. It is their responsibility to catch all punching errors, and detect errors in coding also. Our verifying machines are used only for the numerical data. Alphabetic information is limited in use, and can be readily verified by running a listing on the tabulating machine.


FIGURE 18. The punch card in present use


Figure 19. The sorting machine. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
FIGURE 19. The sorting machine. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
After punching and verifying, the cards are arranged in the sequence demanded by the particular report. This is accomplished by the I. B. M. sorting machine (Figure 19). The sorter scans a single column of each of the cards to be sorted. Electric controls direct each card to one of 13 pockets. Four hundred cards are sorted into required sequences each minute. Cards in each pocket are verified by sight to eliminate any possible machine error. A separate sort is required for each column. On the average a set of cards goes through the sorting machine seven times for each individual report. Two sorting machines, working constantly, are needed to handle the cards for the routine and special reports which we normally use.


Figure 20. One of two model 405 I.B.M. tabulating machines in operation. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
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The final step in the process is the tabulating or listing of the data in the desired form. This is accomplished by the tabulating-or accounting-machine (Figure 20). Two of these are needed to handle the volume of our work. The tabulating machine is designed to perform a simple listing of the data in any desired order, or to group and summarize in any desired manner. (They are not electronic calculators.) The machine handles both numerical and alphabetical material, and prints the latter in clear, easily readable type. The machine is fully automatic and requires a minimum of attention by the operator.


Figure 21. A control panel for the tabulating machine being wired for a report.
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The "brain" of the machine is the control panel, which is housed in a rack on the left side of the machine. The panel is an extremely complex unit, similar in principle to a telephone switchboard. It is illustrated in Figures 21 and 22. The proper wiring of this panel demands a thorough understanding of the principles of the machine, its limitations and its potentialities. The value of a machine to the job is proportional to the understanding of it by the operator. Once a knowledge of the control panel is acquired, the operator can produce innumerable reports. In effect, the operator directs the machine and tells it which operation to perform and in what order, by merely making the corresponding connections on the control panel.


Figure 22. A control panel being inserted into the tabulating machine. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
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The original tabulating machine installed in 1931 was designed to handle a card with 45 columns. By July of 1936, the existing equipment had become inadequate for our needs and we installed additional key-punch machines and verifiers, a second sorter and a second tabulating machine of the same capacity. In these two tabulating machines the control panel wiring was made directly on the machine. In 1938 the control panel on both machines was changed, so that it became removable, enabling the operator to set up a board for the next report while another report was being run on the machine.

By 1947, we again faced inadequate facilities. A survey was made of our needs and the existing bottlenecks, and the problem was solved by enlarging the capacity of the tabulating machines. The two machines in use were removed entirely and replaced with two model 405 I. B. M. accounting machines which handled a card with 80 columns in place of the 45 on the earlier card. With the newer type of machine and card, additional information could be punched into the record and greater flexibility obtained in the resulting reports.


Figure 23. The machine room of the statistical unit. The tabulating machine is in the foreground, with the sorter, key-punch and verifying machines against the walls. Photograph by Herb Phillips, San Pedro.
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However, the 80 column card was larger than the earlier one, and the new machines were designed to operate through rectangular punched holes, whereas the earlier machines used round holes. As a consequence the previously punched cards could not be run through the new tabulators, which nullified the value of the earlier cards. The problem was solved by transferring the complete punch card record for the past three years to the new 80 column cards. This was effected by a reproducing machine, loaned to us for the purpose by the I. B. M. company.

The new accounting machines installed in 1947 were equipped with alphabetical type bars. There were 25 of these, in addition to 30 numeric type bars. As the alpha bars also carried numeric codes, this gave a capacity of 55 numeric type bars. For the first time we were able to print on the report at the time it was run, alphabetic data that formerly was
typed in after the report left the machine. Although alphabetical codes and data have limited application in our work, the time saved when they are used is considerable.

As this bulletin goes to press (May, 1952) the tabulating machines have again been enlarged in capacity. Fifteen additional numeric type bars have been added, so that the present capacity is 25 alpha and 45 numeric bars, making a total of 70 potential numeric type bars. This enables the machine to print more information on the reports. Twentyfour additional counters were also installed in each machine. Added to the existing 32 counters, the machine can now accumulate 56 individual sets of figures. This enables us to utilize the additional type bar capacity. In addition to this, a subtraction unit and class selectors were added. These changes will not only give increased capacity but will add materially to the flexibility of the machines. The present equipment will produce reports giving more information in a greater variety of groupings, in a shorter time.

The end product of the mechanical process is the printed report. This is produced on continuous fan-fold paper. The machine of 1931 and those of 1947 used a sheet 10 inches in width. With the increased capacity installed in 1952 a sheet $141 / 2$ inches in width is required to show the results of some tabulations. However, for much of the work the 10 -inch sheet suffices.

Over the years the various reports required for routine statistical and administrative purposes have been gradually modified. Occasional revision is essential to meet changing needs and the capacities of improved and enlarged machines. At this date, May, 1952, there are six basic routine reports. For the sake of the historical record the scope of these reports is shown in Figures 35 to 40, pages 70 to 72, inclusive.

In addition, numerous special reports are run, too numerous to discuss or illustrate individually. There is, however, one special report which has proved basic in all our catch analysis. This is a listing for a given species, of every individual catch by every boat, made throughout a year. In the analysis of every fishery it is this report that supplies all the information, and is the source of all special compilations. Eventually it will be run, in all probability, as a routine, for every major species. This report is essentially similar to routine report III, except that it includes only a single species.

## 10. MARINE SPORT CATCH RECORDS

One of our most popular outdoor recreations in California is deep sea fishing. Ocean angling has been of considerable importance for some time, and its magnitude is growing every year. It was realized long ago that adequate catch records are an essential part of the information necessary for proper fisheries management. In the early 1930's the need for a measure of the ocean recreational fisherman's catch became apparent. The first preliminary work was done in 1932 when a few picked sportfishing boat operators were asked to keep catch records voluntarily. Enough success was obtained so that the ground work for a full-fledged program was achieved.
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## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO OPERATE A FISHING PARTY VESSEL



I Hereby Certify, That I am familiar with the Fish and Game Commission rules and regulations for keeping and making reports by those who, for hire, allow persons to fish from their vessel.


| Space below to be used only in case of change of ownership or change of boat name or custom bouse |
| :---: |

number during current license year.
Sold by....
Custom House Number Formerly
Boat Name Formerly

Figure 24. Application for permit to operate a fishing party vessel. This form is filled out when applying for a boat permit. The form is kept on file as the boat registration.
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In 1935 the State Legislature passed a law (Section 432.5 of the Fish and Game Code) making it mandatory that the owner of any vessel more than 16 feet in over-all length, who for hire allows persons to fish therefrom, must procure a permit from the commission at a cost of $\$ 1$ (Figures 24 and 25). The permit is valid for the calendar year. The application is essentially a boat registration and it was designed to fulfill this purpose.


FIGURE 25. The permit to operate a party fishing vessel
The holder of the permit must keep accurate records of the fish taken and comply with such other regulations as the commission is authorized to prescribe (General Order 750). All forms necessary for keeping the required reports, and postage paid envelopes for mailing them are supplied by the Department of Fish and Game. Figure 26 illustrates the form used in northern and central California. Figure 27 shows that used in the San Francisco area and by the boats operating in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, while Figure 28 shows the form used in Southern California. The separate forms are adapted to local conditions. Although minor changes in the several forms have been made periodically, they have remained basically the same since the system was inaugurated. The individual records are confidential, but summary statistics on the sport catch are compiled and issued each month.

General Order 750 is written much like a set of instructions on how the records are to be kept, and it is used as such.
(a) The records must be delivered to the nearest office of the Department of Fish and Game on or before the fifth day of each month following the month to which they pertain.

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| DIVISION OF FISH and Game |  |
| 12/19/5 | Town of landing AV, A |
| Boat name DORJE | Fish and Game No... 1234 |
| Block areas fished 615 | 22 |

Indicate below number of fish of each species taken and your estimate of weicher
Even if no fish are caught, state that no fish were taken and fill in other blanks.

| Blank lines are for species which are not shown in the list. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SPECIES | NO. OF FISH | TOTAL WT.. LBS. |


| CABEZONE (BULLHEAD) | 261 | $4 /$ | 29 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LING COD | 195 | 5 | 20 |


| FLOUNDERS, SOLE. SAND DABS | 230 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| HALIBUT | 222 |  |
| KINGFISH |  |  |


| KingFish | 435 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MACKEREL | 051 |  |
| PERCH | 550 |  |


| ROCKFISH (ROCK COD) | 250 | 36 | 56 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BLACK ROCKFISH (BLUEFISH) | 252 |  |  |


| YELLOWTAIL ROCKFISH | 259 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SALMON | 300 |  |  |
| SHARK | 150 |  |  |
| SMELT | 180 |  |  |
| SEA TROUT |  |  |  |

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N0 43523 Figure 26. Sport fishing record form used in Northern California. The
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FIGURE 26. Sport fishing record form used in Northern California. The species of fish listed are those most commonly taken by ocean fishermen from Crescent City to Port San Luis


FIGURE 27. Sport fishing record form used in the San Francisco and delta regions. Here, two species, salmon and striped bass, are primarily taken. These records, and the others discussed, are kept in duplicate. One copy goes to the Department of Fish and Game and the other is kept by the boat operator

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Figure 28. Sport fishing record form used in Southern California.

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(b) The records must show all information asked for on the printed forms.
(c) All records of sport catch must be completed between the time fishing is stopped at the end of each trip and before the passengers are disembarked at the pier, dock, or harbor. Operators of anchored fishing barges must note the catches of all passengers before they leave the barges and complete the record at the end of each day's operation.
(d) The record must be kept on the vessel or barge at all times.
(e) If the sport fishing vessel has not operated during any one month, the owner or operator shall notify the department not later than the fifth day of the following month.
(f) A notice giving information on license requirements, bag limits and other pertinent data is furnished by the department and shall be posted in a prominent place on the boat.
(g) Both owner and operator shall be responsible for keeping accurate records and complying with these regulations.

In processing the voluminous sport catch record, the routine has been radically changed. From the inauguration of the system to the end of 1948 the individual tickets were checked and edited by the biologist assigned to the investigation, then every ticket record was transferred to a punch card and processed in a manner similar to the commercial record. Moreover each ticket normally includes a large number of species, and the existing routine required that a card be punched for each separate species on each and every ticket. By the end of 1948 the sport fishing record became too voluminous to handle with existing help and facilities. Accordingly, in the two succeeding years only a portion of the record was handled. The following summary records the fraction of the total number of tickets that was used in each month of the two years, 1949 and 1950.

|  | 1949 | 1950 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| January | All tickets used | All tickets used |
| February | All tickets used | All tickets used |
| March | All tickets used | Every other ticket |
| April | All tickets used | Every fourth ticket |
| May | Every fourth ticket | Every fourth ticket |
| June | Every fourth ticket | Every fourth ticket |
| July | Every fourth ticket | Every fourth ticket |
| August | Every fourth ticket | Every fourth ticket |
| September | Every other ticket | Every fourth ticket |
| October | All tickets used | Every other ticket |
| November | All tickets used | All tickets used |
| December | All tickets used | All tickets used |

The fraction handled depended upon the volume of the monthly record. In the winter months when fishing was light the entire record was used. As the season progressed, one half of the tickets were selected, while at the height of the summer season only every fourth ticket was used. The method of selecting the tickets was random. As the tickets came in, those for each boat were arranged chronologically, but the boat order was random. From this collection every second or every fourth ticket was withdrawn depending upon the total volume. The tickets thus selected were then checked and edited as formerly; cards were punched for each item and the reports run from these cards. The remaining tickets were not used. The resulting reports recorded, therefore,


FIGURE
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FIGURE 29. Monthly marine sport fishing boat record. This is the form now used in the manual tabulation of the daily catch records. Cards are punched from the totals on this sheet and the reports run from such cards
only one-half or one-fourth of the actual catch and corresponding effort. The total catch and effort were obtained by multiplying these figures by two or four.

The system was not satisfactory, and the resulting reports, because of the nature of the original data, did not give the several combinations of catch and effort desired. A study of the problem was made and a new system of processing the record was put into effect on January 1, 1951. This system, after a year's trial, has proved entirely satisfactory and will continue in use.

A card file is maintained by Fish and Game number of every currently registered sport fishing boat. As tickets come in, the date of receipt and the serial numbers of those tickets are entered on the file card for the corresponding boat. By inspection of a card, one can thus tell how many days each month a boat fished, and on what dates the tickets were received. (This portion of the routine dates back to 1946.) In place of being individually checked and edited by the biologist, as was formerly done, the records on the tickets are now tabulated by clerical help on individual monthly boat sheets, illustrated in Figure 29. The completed tabulations are then returned to the biologist. It is his responsibility to check each monthly boat sheet for gross or obvious errors, interpret any questionable data, supply any missing information, and total the columns on the right of the form. With the entire months fishing activity of each boat on one sheet, irregularities become more apparent, which makes the editing both easier and more exact. Moreover the system permits the handling of the entire catch record.

Upon completion of the editing, the forms are returned to the statistical unit. Here, the totals in the right hand columns are punched. Thus, the volume of cards is greatly reduced and considerable clerical and machine time saved. The resulting reports give the desired combinations of catch and effort, and yield a greater amount of valuable data, with less error and less work, than those run under the earlier system.

We now have 10 years of reports for analysis and comparison, and from them we have learned a great deal about the status of many of our most important ocean fishes. Many facts have come to light which are of considerable help in maintaining and improving ocean fishing. Among the benefits resulting are the formulation of protective legislation and the defeat of harmful laws. The deplorable plight of our yellowtail has been emphasized, and as a result, a major research project has been started to find out what can be done to improve the fishery. The rather consistent decline in the kelp bass catch per angler day has been demonstrated. The catch records have emphasized the tremendous importance of salmon to northern California recreational fishermen and the need for giving special consideration to this fish when dams and irrigation diversions are planned or when pollution and industrial waste occur in the streams. In general, these records give us a clearer understanding of the problems besetting marine anglers, the species which need the most attention and a start toward proper management, with the ultimate goal of future good fishing.

## 11. LIVE BAIT RECORD

Concurrent with the tremendous development of ocean sport fishing, there has developed a need in southern California for large quantities of live bait. The boats fishing for live bait range from Port Hueneme to San Diego. The species occurring north of Ventura County can be taken on other bait, and live bait is not an essential item for catching them.

The fish used as live bait are not brought ashore, hence, they do not appear on the regular commercial fish reports. A system was inaugurated in 1939 whereby records of the bait catch could be collected. The boat operators are required to make a daily record of the amount and kinds of fish sold as bait for sport fishing purposes (Fish and Game Code Sections 1091, 1095). These records must be delivered each month to the Department of Fish and Game (Fish and Game Code Section 1094). The reports are confidential (Fish and Game Code Section 1096.5) and are compiled and published periodically as summaries so as not to disclose the business of any individual.

The catches are recorded in number of scoops of fish by species. To convert scoops to pounds a conversion factor is necessary. Periodic checks are made on individual bait boats to get figures for the average weight of a scoop of bait. Different conversion factors are used for different areas.

The data compiled from the bait records are used to follow fluctuations in the availability of bait fishes, to show the amounts and kinds of fish

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Daily Bait Record


Indicate below the number of scoops of each species taken. If you fished and even though no fish were caught fill in the blanks above.

| SPECIES |  | No. of Scoops |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SARDINES | 100 |  |  |  |  |
| ANCHOVIES | 110 | 73 |  |  |  |
| QUEENFISH (Herring) | 440 | 6 |  |  |  |
| SMELT | 180 |  |  |  |  |
| KINGFISH (Tomcod) | 435 |  |  |  |  |
| FIRECRACKERS |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32102 s-50 20M © spo | NO |  |  |  |  |

Figure 30. Daily bait record. This is the form used by bait fishermen in reporting daily catches of live bait.
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used as live bait and to show the effort expended to make the catch. With the introduction of such devices as fathometers for detecting underwater schools, lights to attract schools at night and net pulling gurdies, greater efficiency has been achieved and the catch per unit of effort has been rising steadily during the postwar years. The unit of effort, in this case, is the number of hauls made or the number of times the fisherman lays out his net. Catch records are the nucleus of management plans which will enable the fisherman to realize a continued and profitable yield from the fishery.

Another important use of these reports is to evaluate the success of sardine spawning. A silhouette of a sardine about six months old is printed on the cover of the log book with instructions to the fisherman to record all sardines smaller than the figure as "firecrackers" which is the traditional common name of these small sardines. If consistently large catches of "firecrackers" are made it indicates good spawning survival and a large year class to supply the sardine industry in coming seasons. However, the failure of "firecrackers" to appear in the bait catch might indicate only that the young fish did not appear on the Southern California bait grounds and not that there was necessarily a poor spawning survival in all areas.

The anchovy is by far the most important species in the live bait fishery, making up 70 percent of the total poundage over the three-year period, 1948 through 1950. In the same period sardines constitute 24 percent, with queenfish, kingfish, smelt and other minor species making up the remainder.

The boats fishing for live bait must be registered each year and all fishermen working on the boats must have commercial fishing licenses.

## 12. FISH DEALER'S AND PROCESSOR'S LICENSE

In the early nineteen hundreds, and as late as 1910, the Fish and Game Commission of the State of California had little or no authority to investigate or prosecute fish dealers and packers who were allegedly violating the laws protecting the fish of the State. In the 21st Biennial Report of the commission they were pleased to note that the Attorney General and the District Attorney of the City of San Francisco were attempting to investigate the supposed existence of an "illegal" combination or trust among fish dealers. The commission felt that the existence of such "illegal" combinations might affect species of fish propagated and distributed by the State, and make it possible for such trusts to sustain market prices by selling surplus fish to fertilizer plants. Since the Fish and Game Commission had no authority to deal with these situations it made the recommendation to the Governor, "that it might be advisable to call the attention of the Legislature to the fact that an act regulating and licensing fish dealers by this body, and giving it the necessary power to cancel such license upon conviction of violation of the laws protecting fish, would be a most effective way of curbing such evils."

As a result of these recommendations the "Wholesale Dealer's License Act" was incorporated into the California Fish and Game Laws of 1911. The act provided that "every person engaged in the vocation of dealing in, buying and selling fish or shellfish by wholesale in this State, must first obtain a license before engaging in such a vocation." It authorized
the Fish and Game Commissioners or their deputies to issue licenses prepared by the controller of the State to any citizen of the United States, or any person who has made his declaration of intention to become a citizen, upon payment of $\$ 5$; and to any noncitizen upon payment of $\$ 20$. Licenses would cover a one-year period from July 1st of one year to June 30th of the year following. Licenses were nontransferable. Each licensed dealer was required to keep a register to be posted at the time of each transaction, in the English language, of the date, kind and weight of fish received or bought, and the name and residence of the person or persons from whom the same was received or purchased. This register was to be open to inspection at all times by the members of the commission or their authorized agents. Violations of the act were declared a misdemeanor and punishable by fines ranging from $\$ 20$ to $\$ 500$, or by imprisonment of 10 to 100 days, or both. All fines and moneys collected from the sale of licenses were paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the Fish and Game Preservation Fund.

The work of the commission was hampered by lack of funds, and it was felt that a revision of the system of taxing the fisheries would be helpful. The 1914-1916 Biennial Report of the Fish and Game Commissioners to the Governor reported that the only revenue then available to the commission was received from market fishermen's licenses, wholesale dealers' licenses and from fines imposed. It was thought to be unfair that the poorest fisherman must pay $\$ 10$ for his license when the largest cannery paid only $\$ 5$ for its license. It was felt that California was far behind other states and countries in the matter of taxing its commercial fisheries. As a result our fisheries were not as advanced as others, for the State did not have sufficient money for its commercial fisheries work. The system employed in Oregon, Washington and Alaska as well as in most of the Atlantic states was to tax the fishermen according to the apparatus they used, and the canners, packers and wholesale dealers according to the amount of fish they handled (Biennial Report, 1914-1916).

A law enacted by the Legislature, effective in August, 1915, required dealers and handlers of fish to make an accurate monthly statement of the quantity and varieties of fish handled, and where the fish were caught. It was considered of the greatest importance that this law be enforced and that the reports be complete and accurate. To that end a list of all dealers in the State who were required to make this report was compiled, and printed blanks were issued to each. As a result of this law, complete and accurate records of fish handled since October, 1915, are available. These dealer records have in a measure helped to show the decline or rise of any fishery, and the seasons of each variety of fish. When supplemented by other records, they were also used as a basis for many conservation measures (Biennial Report, 1914-1916).

The "Wholesale Dealer's License Act" was improved and the Fisheries Tax Regulations were added to the 1917-1919 Fish and Game Code. The code stated that "Any person in the State who engages in the business of canning, curing, preserving or packing fish, which are taken in waters of this State or are brought into this State in a fresh condition; or of manufacturing fish scrap, fish meal, fish oil, chicken feed or fertilizer from fish or fish offal; or of dealing in mollusks or crustaceans by wholesale, must first procure a license for each plant or place of business." The section of the code dealing with the privilege tax required a $21 / 2$-cent
tax for each 100 pounds or fraction thereof of fish purchased or received by the dealer excepting herring and buck shad, and mollusks or crustaceans utilized for human consumption in a fresh state. This tax was to be reported and paid on a quarterly basis. All money so collected was paid into the State Treasury, to the credit of the Fish and Game Preservation Fund, and was to be expended on conservation work for the benefit of the commercial fishing industries within the districts from which the revenues were derived. Penalties for violation of any laws enacted for the protection of fish and game were made heavier, with forfeiture of the dealer's license as one of the penalties for a third violation. Surrender of the dealer's license for a period of one year was also the penalty for failure to pay the privilege tax, and no new license would be issued to such a dealer for the remainder of the year for which the original license had been issued.

These basic laws continue to be in force at the present time, with slight additions and clarifications made during the intervening years. The 1933-1935 code provided that the privilege tax was to be collected on a monthly basis and that unpaid privilege taxes constituted a lien on the plant and real property where the packing operation was being conducted. The commission also received authorization to enter and examine any canning, packing, preserving or reduction plant, or any place of business where fishery products were being manufactured, to ascertain the amount of fish received, kind and amount of fishery products produced or manufactured, and the number and size of cans or containers for fishery products purchased, received, used or on hand. It stipulated that it was unlawful to receive or agree to receive more fish than could be used without deterioration, waste or spoilage, and except as allowed in the code (Section 1065-Sardine reduction) it was unlawful to use any fish, or part thereof except fish offal in a reduction plant or by reduction process. Clarification of some of the terms (reduction plant, packer, fish offal) used in the code were listed. Specific regulations relating to the canning and reduction of sardines were amended as reported in the 1933-1935 code.

The "act" was amended and the 1937-1939 code provided that an additional privilege tax on salmon of one-half cent per pound be imposed. The revenue from this source was to be used only for the purpose of propagating salmon.

The Fish Packers and Shellfish Dealers License Act, as it is now known, was further amended in 1947 (becoming effective September 19, 1947) requiring all dealers in fresh fish to be licensed (Biennial Report, 1946-1948). This increased the amount of revenue from dealers' licenses considerably. However, it was felt that this amendment created a hardship for many fresh fish dealers and butcher shops which handled fresh fish only one or two days a week, so the act was again amended in 1948 (Biennial Report, 1948-1950), and now provides that only persons or firms dealing in fish on a wholesale basis must have a dealer's license.

Dealers' licenses are issued by any of the regional offices. An application for a license must be filled out in duplicate by the dealer or processor requesting the license, giving the date, full name of firm, corporation, or society (Figure 31); complete name of owner, owners or officers; complete mailing address as well as location of plant or place of business, and the type or kind of business to be engaged in. This application must

APPLICATION FOR FISH DEALER'S AND FISH PACKER'S LICENSE
License required by persons engaged in the business of canning, curing, preserving, packing or dealing by wholesale in fish, mollusks or crustaceans, taken from the waters of this State or brought into this State in the fresh condition; and by persons engaged in the business of manufacturing fish scraps, fish meal, fish oil, chicken feed or fertilizer from fish or fish offal. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Citizens of the United States and persons with declaration of intention papers } & \boldsymbol{X}\end{array}$
 Date July 1, $\quad 19 . \quad 52$

$\qquad$

Street address $\quad$ LIUIICIPAL FISH WHARF $\quad$ Route $-\quad-\quad$ Box $\quad 51$
City or Post Office SAHI PEDRO $\quad$ State CALIFORUIA

City SNI PEDRO County of LOS ANGELBS


Issued by ml
Date of issue July .2, $\qquad$ .. 19.51

license No . 1101
Citizen . . $\$ 5.00$ [
Alien . . $\$ 20.00 \square$
Licenses are issued on a fiscal year basis expiring on June 30 of each year.
Present or mail completed application form with remittance to the Division of Fish and Game. Offices are located at:


Figure 31. Application form for fish dealer's and fish packer's license.

FIGURE 31. Application form for fish dealer's and fish packer's license
be signed by the owner, officer or agent of the company or corporation. The license is then issued (Figure 32). The original application form is sent to the statistical office at Terminal Island, where permanent files are maintained. The duplicate copies of the applications are filed at the regional offices for current reference.


FIGURE 32. Fish packer's and wholesale fish dealer's license
Fish dealers and processors are assigned code numbers which act as an identification in our key-punch card system. The code number also sets specific dealers apart from other dealers or firms of similar name which might be confused with them. When one firm operates in several localities the code number will distinguish one operation from another. This procedure has been in effect since 1931. Upon receipt of the original license application of a new dealer at the statistical office, a code number is assigned to the dealer. Three-by-five master file cards are made up using the information given on the license application. These cards are made in sets of two, one an alphabetic card and the other a numeric card. Information received from time to time relative to the dealer's status, is recorded on these master cards providing a valuable source of information for quick study or reference. A rubber stamp, having the dealer's name, city where the business is located, and dealer code number on it, is furnished by the department. The stamp is to be used by the dealer for stamping this information on the triplicate copy of the fish receipts which are delivered to the Department of Fish and Game.

The fee for a dealer's license has not changed since its inception. It remains $\$ 5$ for citizens or anyone who declares his intention to become a citizen, and $\$ 20$ for noncitizens. The present dealer's license is issued for a term of one year from July 1st of one year to June 30th of the following year. If it is issued after the beginning of such term it is valid only for the remainder thereof. This provision has remained throughout the years, for dealers' licenses were issued in 1911-1912 on this basis.

## 13. PROCESSORS' REPORTS

While the "pink ticket" system, discussed in preceding pages, yields a complete record of every pound of fish landed commercially in California, it neither tells what is done with this fish, nor the quantities of processed fish produced from it. Although this information is of secondary importance, there are innumerable valid reasons why it must be known.

Economically, the industry at large and the administration must know the total pack and of what container sizes this pack is composed. From the law-enforcement standpoint the State must know the disposition of the fresh fish received by a processor. Thus, the California law proscribes the reduction of any whole fish into meal and oil, except under permit. Such permits are issued only-excepting special limited cases-in the case of sardines and shark. In the former case a limited seasonal allotment is made, upon application, to each established processor. In the latter case processors may, under permit, reduce shark carcasses. Since, however, reduction of fish scrap (heads, viscera, etc.), is a legitimate operation incidental to all fish canning, the prohibition of reduction of whole fish makes it imperative to know what yields of case goods should be expected from each ton of whole fish received, and the total case pack each processor is making.

To get this information the law requires each processor to submit on or before the fifth of each month a report of the actual amount of fish received at each plant, the amount of fish packed and the number and size of containers packed therefrom, and a record of the kind and quantity of by-products produced during the preceding month (Figures 33 and 34). The law likewise requires that an annual statement be submitted by each processor on or before the fifteenth of January stating the amount and kind of fishery products canned, preserved or manufactured in the preceding year. While this is the substance of the current laws, their evolution is complex. References to particular sections of the code are given in a subsequent page.

The word processor has been freely used in this presentation. A processor is defined in the code as ${ }^{* * * *}$ any person canning fish or preserving fish by the common methods of drying, salting, pickling or smoking." It is apparent that no single form could conveniently cover the diverse products produced. Hence forms have been prepared, and modified from time to time, to secure this information in a concise and convenient form. Our aim has been to minimize the number of forms and reports. Those in current use are listed below and a few are illustrated in the figures.


FIGURE 33. Monthly processors' report. This form is used to secure the record of fish received, fish processed by canning and by-products produced by the canning and reduction plants


Report rececipts of fish xparately by species. Show whether fish is dried, kippered, mildcured, pickled, saled, smoked, etc. Indicate clearly raw fish weight and finished weight after processing. Be sure to show the size and type of container packed.


Shrimp meal.................... .............................. pounds.
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the statements made and the figures shown herein, are to the best of my knowledge and belief true and complete.


Figure 34. Monthly processors' report. This form is used to secure the record of fish received and fish cured or otherwise manufactured into fishery products, except by canning and reduction. The form serves essentially to get the record from smokehouses, and those concerns drying, salting and mildcuring salmon and other species.
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### 13.1. Monthly Processors' Reports <br> 1. Canned fishery products.

2. Cured and manufactured fishery products.
3. Shark livers received, and processed
4. Shark carcasses reduced
. Tons of kelp harvested.

### 13.2. Annual Processors' Reports <br> 6. Canned fishery products.

7. Cured and manufactured fishery products
8. Shark liver oil production.

By far the most important of these is the monthly report of canned fishery products produced. This report is the basis of the monthly statistics issued by the department giving the tonnage of cannery fish received, the case pack of the principal species, the amounts of meal and oil produced, the amount of sardines used for reduction under permit and other routine information needed. From this report the individual case pack is calculated to ascertain if the legally required yields have been met. From this report the amounts of sardines used for canning are determined and the amounts credited to reduction allotments are calculated.

The amount of detailed work in checking, computing, compiling, coding, tabulating and summarizing this data is immense, and the
manuals of procedure to guide the staff in this work are voluminous. No adequate description of the routine can be given here. However, the basic steps are indicated by the procedure governing monthly reports.

1. The various monthly blank forms are mailed on the twentieth of each month by the regional offices to the respective processors in that district.
2. The completed forms are received at the regional offices by the fifth of the following month.
3. Here they are checked against a regional inventory of licensed processors to see that each individual concern has filed a return.
4. In the regional offices each report is checked for completeness and accuracy. Any deficiencies, errors or ambiguities are called to the attention of the local captain of patrol, and through him corrections obtained.
5. In the case of sardines processed, the tonnage of fish reported as received is checked against the record of individual fish receipts of that processor.
6. In the case of sardines, the case pack, the amounts used for reduction under permit and other detail is calculated on a standardized work sheet. Also the several different can sizes are converted by accepted factors into equivalents of one-pound oval cans.
7. The initialed reports are then sent to the statistical unit at Terminal Island. Here the entire work sheet is checked.
8. A person of supervisory rank then codes the entire report, preparatory to transferring the record to the punch card system. The cards are then punched and verified.
9. Three tabulated reports are then run to yield the combinations needed for various purposes.
10. From the tabulated reports summaries for general release are made, and mimeographed copies prepared. These are distributed to all interested parties on the twentieth of each month, presenting the statistics of the preceding month.

The uses for the summarized information derived from the several reports are many. Two mimeographed summaries are issued each month. One shows (in season) the total monthly and seasonal receipts of sardines, the amount used for canning and reduction, and the tons of oil and meal produced. It also shows the monthly and seasonal case pack by standard packs, and the total pack in one-pound oval equivalents. The second mimeographed release shows the monthly receipts of tuna by species and those of other important canning species. It shows the monthly case pack grouped into standard packs of light meat and white meat tuna. The packs of other species are also shown. These two mimeographed reports are issued primarily for the benefit of the industry, and they are extensively used. They furnish the most reliable current statistics on the pack.

The several monthly reports furnish the answers to the innumerable inquiries constantly received concerning the current season's receipts of fish and the current pack. While the final statistical record of fish landings is based entirely upon the individual fish receipts, the volume of this record is such that there is always a lag, and final landing figures are not available until some months later. In the meantime the receipts of fish reported on processors' reports furnish close estimates of current landings at the processing plants.

All the reports contribute to an annual statistical circular which is compiled at the close of each year and distributed in printed form about April of each year. This circular is of immense value to the department, to the industry and to the State Legislature, because it gives, up to date, the final figures on manufactured fishery products, and preliminary figures on the annual catch. It also presents the total sardine catch and total case pack by season. Before the current year is over inquiries pour in, and the figures are extensively used as soon as they are available. The work involved in the preparation of the monthly and annual summaries is amply justified by the extensive use of the prepared figures.

The legislation governing the present processors' reports is contained in Sections 1073 and 1098 of the present Fish and Game Code. These two sections supersede or clarify a large volume of earlier legislation. While not complete, the following summary will trace the evolution of the present reports.

In August, 1915, an amendment was passed by the State Legislature requiring a monthly report to the Fish and Game Commission from all fish dealers. This report was to show the poundage of each species of fish purchased. In July, 1917, a new report was required, to be submitted quarterly. This report was to show the total amount of fresh fish used for purposes other than human consumption in the fresh state, and the poundage of all mollusks and crustaceans handled, whether used fresh or otherwise. Note that the law of 1915 concerned fish receipts, whereas that of 1917 was concerned with the production of fishery products. These laws remained in effect until 1933. In that year the fish and game laws were revised, and consolidated into the Fish and Game Code. The monthly report of fish received was then discarded, and the quarterly report of fish processed was changed (Section 1017) to a monthly report. Meanwhile, a parallel change was made in 1929, when an amendment to the fish and game laws stated that by the fifth of the following month each packer of fish must show the actual amount of fish received at each plant and also the amount of fish packed, number and size of cans or other containers of fish, fishery products and by-products packed, produced or reduced at such plant during the preceding calendar month. In 1933, this likewise became a part (Section 1073) of the Fish and Game Code.

The annual reports date back to legislation passed in 1919. This required all persons canning, curing or manufacturing fishery products from fish or offal, to file an annual report with the commission on or before the fifteenth day of January. This report was to show the amount and kind of fishery products canned, preserved or manufactured, but did not call for figures on the fish received. This portion of the law was also incorporated into the Fish and Game Code in 1933.

The laws governing the reduction of fish are complex. They are adequately discussed in an article by B. D. Marx Green, which appeared in the quarterly magazine California Fish and Game, vol. 13, no. 1, January, 1927.


Figure 35. The form of routine report I-A.
FIGURE 35. The form of routine report I-A


Figure 36. The form of routine report I-B.
FIGURE 36. The form of routine report I-B

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { REPPOR } \\ & \text { DEALE } \\ & \text { STATE } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11 \\ 10 E \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Dealer | City | Species | Pounds by Species and City | Pounds by Dealer |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { SEASIDE FISHEATES } \\ & \text { LONG BEACO } \end{aligned}$ <br> J MC CARTHY NEWPORT |  | 7125 <br> 7125 | $\begin{aligned} & 743 \\ & 743 \\ & 743 \end{aligned}$ | $040$ | $\begin{aligned} & 582 \\ & 582 . \end{aligned}$ | 582 |
|  | BEACH | 7209748 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7209 \\ & 7209 \\ & 7209 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 748 \\ & 748 \\ & 748 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 040 \\ & 130 \\ & 400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 398 \\ 617 \\ 1684 \\ 2697 * \end{array}$ | 2697 |
| DEARDEN FISH LONG | BEACH | 7296743 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 7296 | 743 | 400 | $\begin{array}{r} 509 \\ 514 \\ 1023 * \end{array}$ | 1023 |
| PIONEER FISHERIES IN SAN PEDRO |  | $\begin{array}{rl} 7820 & 770 \\ 7820 & 770 \\ 7000 & 770 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1106 \\ & 1186 \end{aligned}$ | 1186 |
| ZAHKICHEROS SAN | PEDR 0 | $\begin{aligned} & 7822 \\ & 7822 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 770 \\ & 770 \end{aligned}$ | 400 | $\begin{aligned} & 2166 \\ & 2166 \end{aligned}$ | 2166 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TERMINAL FISHERIES } \\ & \text { SAN PEDRO } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7825 \\ & 7825 \\ & 7825 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 770 \\ & 770 \\ & 770 \end{aligned}$ | 040 | $\begin{aligned} & 9405 \\ & 9405 \text { * } \end{aligned}$ | 9405 |
| Total Pounds | 17059 |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 37. The form of routine report II.
FIGURE 37. The form of routine report II
REPORT III
DAILYY BOAT LISTING
STATEWIDE


17059 *
Figure 38. The form of routine report III.
FIGURE 38. The form of routine report III


Figure 40. The form of routine report V .
FIGURE 40. The form of routine report $V$

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## 15. LIST OF COMMON AND SCIENTIFIC NAMES OF FISHES, CRUSTACEANS AND MOLLUSKS

| Common name | Scientific name |
| :---: | :---: |
| Anchovy |  |
| Deep-bodied | Anchoa compressa |
| Northern | Engraulis mordax |
| Slough | Anchoa delicatissima |
| Barracuda | Sphyraena argentea |
| Bonito, California | Sarda lineolata |
| Cabezone | Scorpaenichthys marmoratus |
| Cabrilla | Epinephalus analogus |
| Carp | Cyprinus carpio |
| Catfish |  |
| Forktail | Ictalurus catus |
| Squaretail | Ameiurus nebulosus |
| Corbina, Mexican | Cynoscion orthonopterus |
| Crevally | Caranx sp. |
| Flounder, starry | Platichthys stellatus |
| Flying fish, California | Cypselurus californicus |
| Grouper | Species of Mycteroperca |
| Hake | Merluccius productus |
| Halibut, California | Paralichthys californicus |
| Halibut, Pacific | Hippoglossus stenolepis |
| Hardhead |  |
| Greaser blackfish | Orthodon microlepidotus |
| Hardhead | Mylopharodon conocephalus |
| Herring, Pacific | Clupea pallasi |
| Kingfish |  |
| Kingfish | Gcnyonemus lineatus |
| Queenfish | Seriphus politus |
| Lingcod | Ophiodon elongatus |
| Mackerel, jack | Trachurus symmetricus |
| Mackerel, Pacific | Pneumatophorus diego |
| Mullet | Mugil cephalus |
| Perch |  |
| Blacksmith | Chromis punctipinnis |
| Halfmoon | Medialuna californiensis |
| Opaleye | Girella nigricans |
| Salt-water perch | Members of family Embiotocidae |
| Pike (Sacramento squawfish) | Ptychocheilus grandis |
| Pompano, California | Palometa simillima |
| Rock bass |  |
| Kelp bass | Paralabrax clathratus |
| Sand bass | Paralabrax nebulifer |
| Rockfish | All species of Sebastodes and Sebastolobus |
| Sablefish | Anoplopoma fimbria |
| Salmon |  |
| King | Oncorhynchus tshawytscha |
| Silver | Oncorhynchus kisutch |
| Sand dab | Citharichthys sordidus |
|  | Citharichthys stigmaeus |
| Sardine, Pacific | Sardinops caerulea |
| Sculpin | Scorpaena guttata |
| Sea bass, black | Stereolepis gigas |
| Sea bass, white | Cynoscion nobilis |
| Seatrout, greenling | Hexagrammos decagrammus |
| Shad | Alosa sapidissima |
| Shark |  |
| Basking shark | Cetorhinus maximus |
| Dogfish | Squalus acanthias |
| Gray smoothhound | Mustelus californicus |
| Leopard shark | Triakis semifasciata |
| Soupfin | Galeorhinus zyopterus |
| Varying amounts of other species |  |
| Sheepshead, California | Pimelometopon pulchrum |
| Sierra | Scomberomorus sierra |
| Skate |  |
| Big | Raja binoculata |
| California | Raja inornata |
| Longnose | Raja rhina |
| Varying amounts of other species |  |
| Smelt |  |
| Grunion | Leuresthes tenuis |
| Jack smelt | Atherinopsis californiensis |
| Surf smelt | Hypomesus pretiosus |
| Top smelt | Atherinops affinis |
| Small amounts of other Osmerids |  |
| Sole |  |
| English | Parophrys vetulus |
| Dover | Microstomus pacificus |


| Petrale | Eopsetta jordani |
| :--- | :--- |
| Rex |  |
| Varying amounts of other spe- |  |
| cies |  |
| Splittail | Pogonichthys macrolepidotus |
| Sucker, western | Catostomus occidentalis |
| Swordfish, broadbill | Xiphias gladius |
| Tomcod | Microgadus proximus |
| Tuna |  |
| Albacore | Thunnus germo |
| Bluefin tuna | Thunnus thynnus |
| Skipjack | Katsuwonus pelamis |
| Yellowfin tuna | Neothunnus macropterus |
| Turbot |  |
| Curlfin | Pleuronichthys decurrens |
| Diamond | Hypsopsetta guttulata |
| Sharpridge | Pleuronichthys verticalis |
| Small amounts of other species |  |
| Wahoo | Acanthocybium solandri |
| Whitebait | Allosmerus attenuatus |
|  | Spirinchus starksi |
| Whitefish, ocean | Young of several other species |
| Yellowtail | Caulolatilus princeps |


| Common name <br> Crab, market <br> Crab, rock | Scientific name <br> Cancer magister <br> Cancer antennarius <br> Cancer anthonyi |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | Cancer productus |
| Lobster, spiny | Panulirus interruptus |
| Crago franciscorum |  |
| Shrimp |  |

## 16. EXPLANATION OF TABLES

The tables published in this bulletin supply the complete available record of the commercial catch of fish, mollusks and crustaceans landed in California. In these tables the catch is divided into two components, and in using the tables it is important to appreciate the distinction. The major component is the catch of the California fleet of fishing vessels. The other includes the shipments by common carrier into California of fresh fish originating in other states or countries. Throughout the tables the first component is designated as the catch-or landings-of the California fleet. The second is indicated by the one word "shipments."

The catch of the California fleet is actually the aggregate of deliveries at California ports of all fresh fish, crustaceans and mollusks caught by American fishing vessels in the Pacific Ocean and the rivers and streams of California. It is not strictly the total and exclusive catch of the California fishing fleet. The catch actually includes deliveries made by fishing vessels based and registered in Oregon, Washington and Alaska. Conversely, many vessels of the California fleet deliver occasional loads to Oregon and Washington. However, these exceptions are nominal, and to all intents and purposes the designation is correct.

The term shipment is used in the tables to separate all landings in California of fresh fish taken in other states or countries by alien vessels, or vessels of other fleets, and delivered by rail, truck or ocean carrier. The largest portion of the shipments consists of tuna imported frozen from abroad for processing in California. The records of such fish destined to domestic canneries are complete and accurate. The records of shipments of fish destined for fresh consumption are incomplete, because California fish receipts are not always made for loads trucked across a state or national boundary. Thus, customs declarations show that there was a large poundage of lobster trucked across the United States-Mexican boundary into Southern California, but of this amount only a fraction is reported on our fish receipts.

In Tables 4 to 7 inclusive, the term "yearly" has been intentionally employed in place of "annual," because the year in question is the license year, extending from April 1 to March 31 of the succeeding year.

Whenever in these tables the value of the catch is given (Tables 3, and 1819202122232425 inclusive) the value shown represents the amount paid to the fishermen. In the case of shipments the price paid by the buyer, as shown on the fish receipt, is used. Where no price is shown a calculated value is applied, based on the average price per pound paid for that species for the month in the area where the fish is delivered.

In the case of halibut delivered in the San Francisco region, two species are involved. In many instances the species are not separated in the fish receipts. To avoid a grouping of the two in the records, the percentage composition of the catch was determined by periodic sampling. Biologists of this bureau investigated market loads and determined the actual composition of the halibut catch. This is, over a period of time, consistently about 90 percent Pacific halibut and 10 percent California halibut. Hence the total catch of halibut in the San Francisco region is shown in this proportion.

The poundages shown in the tables are obtained from the weight shown on the individual fish receipts. The receipt does not always indicate whether the fish is cleaned or round. Nor does the receipt indicate, in the case of those species normally cleaned by the fisherman, the extent of the cleaning and the resulting weight loss. In such cases no adjustment is made in the tables for cleaning losses. The poundage shown is the aggregate of all weights given on the individual fish receipts.

An exception to this rule is made for catfish. This species is invariably delivered cleaned, and as the cleaning loss is 50 percent, the total poundage on the fish receipts is multiplied by two in the tables.

In the case of mollusks these are often purchased by number rather than by weight. Hence, appropriate average conversion factors have been developed by sampling to convert to round weight, or weight in the shell. The factors now in use are as follows:

| Crab, market | 2 pounds each |
| :--- | :--- |
| Abalone, red | 50 pounds per dozen |
| Abalone, pink | 35 pounds per dozen |
| Abalone, green | 35 pounds per dozen |
| Clams, Mexican Pismo | 8 pounds round weight per 1 pound cleaned weight |
| Clams, Washington | 7 pounds per dozen |
| Oyster, Eastern | 30 pounds per hundred |
| Oyster, Pacific | 50 pounds per hundred, or 8 pounds per cleaned gallon |

Many of the tables include fresh water species and species taken in inland waters. The poundages so taken are credited to the adjacent coastal region. Thus, mullet from the Salton Sea is in all tables credited to the San Diego region, while carp from Clear Lake is included in the totals for the Sacramento region. In these two instances the fish receipt record is supplemented by statistics supplied by the inland fisheries branch of the department, under whose jurisdiction much of the fishing is conducted.

Tables 1 to 25 inclusive pertain to the commercial fisheries. Inasmuch as there is a large poundage of fish taken by recreational fishermen, an estimate of this sport catch is given in Table 26, and the amount of live bait used to obtain this catch is shown in Table 27. The addition of these two tables gives a closer approximation to the total yield of the indigenous species. Unfortunately, the estimated sport catch is recorded in numbers of fish rather than in weight of fish. Experience has shown that in the sport fishery only the number of fish taken can be obtained with sufficient accuracy. The amount of bait used is compiled from the daily bait records made out by those boats supplying the party fishing boats. These figures do not include the quantities of bait used by the regular commercial fleet.


FIGURE 41. The total annual landings and shipments into California of commercial fish, exclusive of mollusks and crustaceans. This chart portrays the figures in Table 1

TABLE 1
Total Annual Landings and Shipments Into California of Commercial Fish. Excludes Mollusks and Crustaceans, Buf Includes Sardine Deliveries to Reduction Ships During 1930 to 1938.

| Year | Pounds | Year | Pounds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1916. | 88,390,465 | 1934. | 1,378,154,189 |
| 1917. | 202,987,474 | 1935 | 1,433,616,046 |
| 1918 | 254,238,270 | 1936. | 1,753,632,108 |
| 1919 | 256,120,774 | 1937 | 1,354,050,220 |
| 1920 | 215,431,810 | 1938 | 1,298,036,943 |
| 1921 | 129,086,209 | 1939 | 1,472,988,721 |
| 1922 | 176,216,485 | 1940 | 1,284,881,633 |
| 1923 | 246,383,030 | 1941 | 1,517,533,106 |
| 1924 | 325,948,382 | 1942 | 1,166,614,194 |
| 1925 | 425,695,707 | 1943. | 1,215,161,305 |
| 1926. | 382,602,891 | 1944. | 1,430,202,850 |
| 1927 | 471,210,260 | 1945. | 1,138,943,309 |
| 1928 | 572,070,120 | 1946. | 855,997,768 |
| 1929 | 841,149,549 | 1947 | 763,324,829 |
| 1930 | 680,858,788 | 1948 | 863,000,994 |
| 1931 | 491,083,110 | 1949 | 1,110,074,882 |
| 1932 | 542,060,362 | 1950 | 1,336,082,157 |
| 1933. | 811,002,474 |  |  |

TABLE 1
Total Annual Landings and Shipments Into California of Commercial Fish. Excludes Mollusks and Crustaceans, But Includes Sardine Deliveries to Reduction Ships During 1930 to 1938



FIGURE 42. Shows the relative landings in 1950 of the more important commercial species. This chart is based on the figures in Table 2, which include the shipments with the catch of our own fleet

TABLE 2


TABLE 2
Total Commercial Fish Landings and Shipments Into California During 1950


FIGURE 43. Shows the relative value in 1950 of the more important commercial species. The chart is based on the figures in Table 3, which are derived from the comparable figures in Table 2

TABLE 3

| Species | Value | Species | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yellowfin tuna. | \$29,398,827 | Sole | 1,155,519 |
| Skipjack-. | 18,344,394 | Spiny lobster | 798,175 |
| Albacore | 12,556,927 | Pacific mackerel | 794,479 |
| Sardine | 12,140,322 | Bluefin tuna | 438,500 |
| Jack mackerel | 2,571,869 | All others. | 3,487,904 |
| ${ }^{\text {Cabmon- }}$ | ${ }_{1,421,158}^{2}$ | Total value. | \$85,223,449 |
|  |  |  |  |

TABLE 3
Value of Commercial Fish Landing and Shipments Into California During 1950

TABLE 4
Yearly Number of Licensed Commercial Fishermen in California

| 1941-1942 | 9,344 | 1946-1947 | 12,312 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1942-1943 | 9,043 | 1947-1948 | 12,894 |
| 1943-1944 | 11,804 | 1948-1949 | 14,261 |
| 1944-1945 | 10,871 | 1949-1950 | 14,962 |
| 1945-1946 | 11,747 | 1950-1951 | 14,600 |

TABLE 4
Yearly Number of Licensed Commercial Fishermen in California
TABLE 5
Number of Commercial Fishermen Licensed by Region, in the 1950-1951 License Year

| Region of residence | Number of fishermen, 1950-1951 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Eureka | 826 |
| Sacramento.- | 577 |
| San Francisco. | 1,448 |
| Monterey .--- | 1,383 |
| Santa Barbara | 555 |
| Los Angeles .- | 5,388 |
| San Diego.--- | 3,174 |
| Alaska, Washington and Oregon fishermen licensed in Ca | 1,206 |
| Mexican nationals licensed in California------------ | 43 |
| Total | 14,600 |

TABLE 5
Number of Commercial Fishermen Licensed by Region, in the 1950-1951 License Year

TABLE 6
Yearly Number of Registered Fishing Boats, Grouped According to Length

| Season | Under 40 feet | 40 to 84 feet | 85 feet and over | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1941-1942 | 2,331 | 765 | 106 | 3,202 |
| 1942-1943 | 2,264 | 650 | 51 | 2,965 |
| 1943-1944 | 2,929 | 750 | 47 | 3,726 |
| 1944-1945 | 2,852 | 870 | 60 | 3,782 |
| 1945-1946 | 3,103 | 943 | 99 | 4,145 |
| 1946-1947 | 3,558 | 1,144 | 155 | 4,857 |
| 1947-1948 | 3,639 | 1,201 | 202 | 5,042 |
| 1948-1949 | 4,088 | 1,378 | 256 | 5,722 |
| 1949-1950 | 4,294 | 1,595 | 271 | 6,160 |
| 1950-1951 | 4,127 | 1,710 | 266 | 6,103 |

TABLE 6
Yearly Number of Registered Fishing Boats, Grouped According to Length
TABLE 7
Number of Fishing Boats Registered in the Season $\mathbf{1 9 5 0 - 1 9 5 1}$ in Each Region, Grouped by Length

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Region of home } \\ \text { port } \end{gathered}$ | Number of boats, grouped by length |  |  |  |  |  | Total number of boats for each region |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Up to } 24 \\ & \text { feet } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \text { to } 39 \\ & \text { feet } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \text { to } 64 \\ & \text { feet } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 65 \text { to } 84 \\ & \text { feet } \end{aligned}$ | 85 to 99 feet | 100 feet and over |  |
| Eureka | 43 | 283 | 110 | 10 |  | 1 | 447 |
| Sacramento. | 108 | 248 | 13 | 2 |  |  | 371 |
| San Francisco_ | 48 | 631 | 131 | 32 | 3 | 1 | 846 |
| Monterey.- | 91 | 252 | 57 | 42 | 5 | 1 | 448 |
| Santa Barbara.-. | 52 | 143 | 53 | 3 | 2 |  | 253 |
| Los Angeles. | 387 | 1,225 | 479 | 114 | 50 | 33 | 2,288 |
| San Diego..-.-. - | 111 | 414 | 171 | 38 | 42 | 104 | 880 |
| Alaska, Washington and Oregon. Mexico | 1 | 90 | 370 | 84 1 | 9 | 15 | 569 1 |
| Total number of boats.-. | 841 | 3,286 | 1,384 | 326 | 111 | 155 | 16,103 |

${ }^{1}$ The owners of 972 of these vessels were issued fishing party permits.
TABLE 7
Number of Fishing Boats Registered in the Season 1950-1951 in Each Region, Grouped by Length

TABLE 8


|  | Pounds |  | Pounds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Recapitulation: |  |  |  |
| Salmon. | 689,689 | Tuna, skipjack.. | 3,261,659 |
| Tuna, albacore | 4,378,420 | Tuna, yellowfin. | 8,130,632 |

TABLE 8
Origin of Shipments of Fresh Fish Into California During 1950

| table 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Steries | California | $\begin{aligned} & \text { North of } \\ & \text { the thate } \\ & \text { boundary } \end{aligned}$ | South of the internativinal houndary | ( South |  | Japan | $\underset{\substack{\text { Total } \\ \text { pounds }}}{ }$ |  |
| Anchory. | 4.878.687 |  |  |  |  |  | 4.878687 |  |
| Barrewds. | ${ }^{800435}$ |  | 1,367,980 |  |  |  | ${ }_{2}^{2,235415}$ |  |
| Cateone. | 21,679 |  |  |  |  |  | 21.659 |  |
| Carpor |  |  | 200, 380 |  |  |  | 20x | \% |
| Catsiah | 290939 |  |  |  |  |  | 20939 |  |
| Mlounder. | ${ }_{90.714}^{911.808}$ | 1.301 |  |  | . |  | 213.10 60714 |  |
| Grouper. |  |  | 296.308 |  |  |  | 290368 |  |
|  | $5 \times 0.270$ |  | 20, 406 |  |  |  |  | 4 |
| Hatibut, Paeifo. | 201878 | 4,213 | 20, |  |  |  | 258001 |  |
| lierrine. Pasi | ${ }_{1}^{1,423,3.351}$ |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {1 }}^{1.425231}$ |  |
| Linses... | 1.831.96 | s1,775 | 3\% |  |  |  | 1.914 .725 | \% |
| Mackerel, Packike | anesa |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mulleet. | ${ }^{239.421}$ |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{23,421}$ |  |
| Poreh,...C) Cuiliernia |  |  | Q,817 |  |  |  | (181097 |  |
| Rock has. | ${ }_{7}^{1020.703}$ |  | 102,064 31.393 |  |  |  | 2003070 |  |
| Rablefath. | \%,433.183 | 386,788 |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{1,919,971}$ |  |
| Kalmon ${ }_{\text {Kand }}$ | 7,051931 | 663,60 8.503 |  |  |  |  | 7,788391 |  |
| Kardina |  | ${ }^{\text {s,305 }}$ |  |  |  |  | 6x, $2 \times 11$ |  |
| Seupin. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 13.218 |  | 275 |  |  |  | 10929 |  |
| Sea bamw white. | 1.123,429 |  | 400301 |  |  |  | 1.332,730 |  |
| Seatroat, steraling | 1.2083 .311 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{\text {f13 }} 81$ |  |
| Shark | 710,023 |  | 7, m |  |  |  | 717,247 |  |

TABLE 9
Origin of the Commercial Fish Landings and Shipments Into California During 1950


TABLE 9-Cont'd.


TABLE 10
Monthly Landings and Shipments Into California During 1950


TABLE 10-Cont'd.


TABLE 11
Monthly Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Eureka Region During 1950


TABLE 12
Monthly Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Sacramento Region During 1950


TABLE 13
Monthly Landings and Shipments of Commercial Fish Into the San Francisco Region During 1950


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TABLE 13-Cont'd.

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|  |  |  | 2,188 | \% |  | \% | ${ }^{30} 5$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,7,3 \\ & 2,4,3 \\ & 2,43 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\min _{\substack{n \\ x i n}}$ | " |  |
|  | 2; $n$ |  |  |  | 1,913 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Kischi | 沙 |  |  |  | ${ }^{123}$ |  |  |  |  | comes |  |  |  |
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TABLE 14
Monthly Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Monterey Region During 1950

TABLE 14-Cont'd.


TABLE 15
Monthly Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Santa Barbara Region During 1950


TABLE 15-Cont'd.


TABLE 16
Monthly Landings and Shipments of Commercial Fish Into the Los Angeles Region During 1950


TABLE 16-Cont'd.

| Sectis | Janary | Fetruary | Mech | Averl | May | June | $\stackrel{10}{ }$ | Anesat | Spyumber | Octreer | Xevember | Deember | Total posel |
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| Tuma, altamer. | utis |  |  |  | ${ }^{238}$ | Skise |  | sugs$6 \times 12$ |  |  | 5815 | 1090 |  |
| Ten, eriono... |  | ${ }_{193} 198$ |  |  | 6miso |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Mallak: |  |  |  |  |  | 21.034 | 181, \%72 | 21.06 | 35,985 |  |  |  | 1,214,08 |
| Came Pimo. |  |  | 248.184 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tous pouale. | 507.331 | 212,741 | 37,, 87 | 27, 1315 | mp.at | 1.85 274 | 1.887.597 | 2.5890n | 1.83, 201 | 1,58,000 | 13,36.07 | 1,213,54 | 14.52615 |
|  | 78,50,907 | 21,129,12 | 21,74,328 | 2,406,006 | 23,27,115 | 26,901,37 | 4,381/400 | 36.m8, mint | 20,120,39 | 20,30,2e8 | 137,78,79 |  | stss1,312 |

TABLE 16
Monthly Landings and Shipments of Commercial Fish Into the Los Angeles Region During 1950

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| foume |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{24}$ |  |
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| Sters.i.e. | iri | ${ }_{68}^{80}$ | ${ }^{1.348}$ | 151 | \% | 100 | ${ }^{28}$ | ${ }_{70} 9$ | 200 | 67 | 2 | ${ }^{1,188}$ |  |
|  | 12,31 |  | 2,78 |  | 3, $\times 3$ | เ10:\% | ${ }^{\text {and }}$ | מ, 6 |  |  |  | , | cincos |
| Matio. | ${ }_{\text {cima }}$ | Wi, \%s | ${ }_{\substack{12,38 \\ i, 20}}$ | \%10, | 2018 |  |  |  | \%om |  | ${ }_{4}$ | ${ }_{\text {bisen }}$ | 20, |
| Rexam | ${ }^{13005}$ |  | ${ }_{\substack{1189 \\ 112}}^{10}$ | Smi4 | 10,32 | ${ }_{7308}$ | ${ }_{n}$ |  |  |  |  | 1.920.0 | 2, |
| Scotiou, |  | \% | ${ }_{512}$ | ${ }_{7}^{7,2 i z}$ | ${ }_{2}^{1,200}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {H }}$ |  |
| Sates, mitic |  | 1, | ${ }^{2,3.31}$ | ${ }_{\text {m }}^{\text {mis }}$ |  |  | 矿, | 2, | \% 3.4 |  |  | \% 20 | ${ }_{\text {cosem }}$ |
| Stusind. | 18 | ${ }_{131}^{163}$ |  | $s$ | * | m |  | 2m |  | 278 | 1,500 | ${ }_{1}^{1270}$ | 2,300 |
| Smint. |  | $\xrightarrow[3]{13}$ | ${ }_{1}^{1919}$ | 1.06 | ${ }^{6}$ | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | 3 | 2310 |  | \% |
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| Tue reibie |  |  | 3 m |  |  |  | $s$ | s | ${ }_{171}^{1120}$ | 1,608 | 13 | $2 \times 1$ | ${ }^{11.20}$ |
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TABLE 17
Monthly Landings and Shipments of Commercial Fish Into the San Diego Region During 1950

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| Crumean: |  | ${ }_{11250}^{1750}$ | 2, \%/8 |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { nimesin } \\ 2,2 i t}}{ }$ |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 7,50 \\ \substack{2,2 m \\ 1, y i n} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{1}^{1200}$ <br> 206.674 25,484 25,484 20,804 |
| Malles: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {chem }}$ | \% | 1.175 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | s,.2s |  |  |  | 2,88 | 1, 1.88 | 1,348 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Creser...imilit | ${ }^{10 \times 3}$ |  |  | 2.205 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 35 \\ & 5.50 \end{aligned}$ | 1, $12 \times$ |  | $\frac{58,9 n}{\sin ^{i n i 2}}$ | ${ }_{4}^{4}$ | $8{ }^{8180}$ |  |  |
|  |  | isiss |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \substack{12 i n \\ \text { and } \\ \text { sin } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { an } \\ \hline, ~} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |
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| sat. |  |  | ${ }^{125}$ |  |  |  | -13000 |  |  | $\stackrel{.}{\square}$ |  | - |  |
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TABLE 17
Monthly Landings and Shipments of Commercial Fish Into the San Diego Region During 1950

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| Yelloroili.............. | 88.501 |  | Lexa3i |  |  | 23,14 | $3{ }^{3}, 988$ | 33,14 | 13,213 | ${ }^{4} 4388$ | ${ }_{42,212}^{308}$ | 13, | 1,10,7m |
| Mieclioneos fab....... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3,105 | 15 | 557 | 1,256 | 8,985 |
| Crustacean: <br> lokhter, spil | 191,959 | 185686 | \%.90 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14,2s | 20,502 | so.911 | 1,98,101 |
| Total poonde | 6,423,417 | 2,87,132 | 11,94,138 | *,00, 201 | 18,74,700 | 20,03,676 | 24,68,009 | 2,0,03,10s | 13,7n0,24 | a,00, 801 | 21,30,280 | 2,067,180 | 181,815, ¢0 |
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| Rocition. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,677 | 2,8 |  |  |  |  | 1.677 |
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| Grasd mathe 8 men Diveo | 808, 8181 | 10,68, 37 | 14, 29.909 | 9,051,26 | 19312833 | 21,00,462 | 20,04s04 | 30,011, 50s | 15,43, 111 | 7,80, 607 | 23,80,38 | 12,28, 658 | 200,00, 38 |
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TABLE 18
The Value, by Region, of the Annual Landings and Shipments of Commercial Fish Into California During 1950


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|  | mm, 38 | 15385 | \%enow | $7 \times 12$ |  | 12, 128 |  | \% |  |
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| Rax her | ${ }_{1}^{18.504}$ | 1.80 | 15087 | 2403 | $\operatorname{lng}_{0,312}$ | ${ }_{20}^{203}$ | ${ }_{\text {chem }}^{\text {sums }}$ | comb |  |
| 4s-........ | ${ }_{1}^{1,207}$ | \% | ${ }_{\text {cosem }}^{\text {cossis }}$ | 200w |  |  | , |  |  |
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| , | 1,88 | ${ }_{24}^{184}$ |  | ${ }_{\text {cosem }}^{20,515}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | sais | 510 | 18.80 | nsa | 72.61 | 7,20 |  | n, |  |

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TABLE 19
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Eureka Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

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TABLE 20
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Sacramento Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

TABLE 21

| Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats and Shipments Into the San Francisco Region During 1950 Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Value | Pounds |
| San Francisco region totals_ <br> San Francisco |  | \$4,208,235 | 55,067,851 |
|  | Albacore .----- | \$1,191,294 | 6,411,699 |
|  | Crab...-... | 469,662 | 3,557,788 |
|  | Sardine.- | 186,682 | 10,698,086 |
|  | Sole_- | 179,865 | 3,087,800 |
|  | Yellowfin tuna | 178,214 | 1,098,051 |
|  | Salmon.-- | 154,719 | 555,745 |
|  | Skipjack tuna | 70,164 | 489,732 |
|  | Shrimp.-.-. | 35,688 | 555,020 |
|  | Sablefish - - | 19,676 | 196,167 |
|  |  | 16,182 | 107,878 |
|  |  | 15,177 | 224,848 |
|  |  | 12,694 | 64,512 |
|  | Sand dab. | 10,941 | 221,475 |
|  | All other | 84,660 | 2,894,270 |
|  | Totals | \$2,625,618 | 30,163,071 |
| Point Reyes_ |  | \$433,744 | 1,557,989 |
|  | Sole-- | 85,184 | 1,462,391 |
|  | Crab-... | 70,715 | 535,718 |
|  | Rockfish | 16,278 | 410,030 |
|  | Lingcod. | 13,191 7,263 | 195,417 39,089 |
|  | All other | 21,093 | 296,982 |
|  | Totals | \$647,468 | 4,497,616 |
| Bodega Bay | Sole-- | \$90,566 | 1,554,785 |
|  | Crab.-. | 87,772 | 664,938 |
|  | Salmon.- | 82,871 | 297,619 |
|  | Albacore | 71,140 | 382,883 |
|  | Singcod. | 18,023 13,771 | 181,196 |
|  | Rockfish | 8,844 | 222,770 |
|  | All other | 9,684 | 181,501 |
|  | Totals | \$382,671 | 3,752,702 |
| Richmond. | Sardine | \$211,442 | 12,117,000 |
|  | Shrimp. | 18,193 | 282,938 |
|  | Salmon. | 9,481 | 34,054 |
|  | All other | 4,348 | 198,300 |
|  | Totals | \$243,464 | 12,632,292 |
| Princeton | Salmon. | \$114,042 | 409,634 |
|  | Albacore | 22,231 | 119,652 |
|  | Crab-_...........................- | 25,506 6,297 | $\begin{aligned} & 193,221 \\ & 158133 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Totals | \$168,076 | 880,640 |
| y-.-....-- | Sole_----.... | \$26,197 | 449,726 |
|  | Eastern oyster | 10,473 | 76,000 |
|  | Rockfish_--- | 6,708 | 168,960 |
|  | Lingeod. | 4,867 | 72,103 |
|  | Pacific oyster | 4,626 | 41,050 |
|  |  | 5,832 | 80,156 |
|  | Totals. | 858,703 | 887,995 |

TABLE 21
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats and Shipments Into the San Francisco Region During 1950 Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

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TABLE 21
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats and Shipments Into the San Francisco Region During 1950 Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

TABLE 22
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Monterey Region During 1950, Shown by Port

|  |  | Value | Pounds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monterey region totals |  | \$3,929,082 | 97,916,588 |
| Monterey - | Albacore | \$610,062 | 3,243,287 |
|  | Sardine | 569,997 | 30,318,991 |
|  | Jack mackerel | 559,839 | 28,563,232 |
|  |  | 151,804 | 5,794,057 |
|  |  | 125,453 | 1,802,489 |
|  | Salmon.- | 62,949 | 193,331 |
|  | Anchovy | 37,196 | 2,463,290 |
|  | Sablefish | 15,214 | 401,425 |
|  | Sole | 13,855 | 222,386 |
|  | Lingeod. | 9,663 | 107,128 |
|  | Pacific mackerel. | 7,840 | 273,163 |
|  | Kingfish. | 6,299 | 117,514 |
|  | All other | 26,473 | 376,937 |
|  | Totals | \$2,196,644 | 73,877,230 |
| Moss Landing | Albacore | \$977,967 | 5,199,189 |
|  | Sardine | 190,565 | 10,136,410 |
|  | Salmon. | 122,994 | 377,746 |
|  | Jack mackerel | 54,409 | 2,775,950 |
|  | Sole | 3,784 | 60,744 |
|  | All other | 15,470 | 597,697 |
|  | Totals | \$1,365,189 | 19,147,736 |
| Santa Cruz | Salmon. | \$64,673 | 198,628 |
|  | Sole-- | 58,976 | 946,643 |
|  | Albacore | 55,741 | 296,335 |
|  | Rockfish_ | 44,146 | 634,275 |
|  | California pompano | 42,400 | 149,505 |
|  | Sardine.-. | 23,106 | 1,229,057 |
|  | White sea bass | 16,915 | 109,626 |
|  | Sablefish | 16,798 | 443,206 |
|  | California halibut_ | 9,807 | 46,042 |
|  | Kingfish. | 9,449 | 176,296 |
|  | All other | 25,238 | 662,009 |
|  | Totals | \$367,249 | 4,891,622 |

TABLE 22
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Monterey Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

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|  |  | Value | Pounds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Santa Barbara region totals <br> Port Hueneme. $\qquad$ |  | \$2,587,222 | 106,125,171 |
|  | Sardine <br> White sea bass <br> Jack mackerel <br> Pacific mackerel <br> Albacore <br> Spiny lobster <br> Barracuda <br> California halibut <br> All other | \$776,292 | 52,100,077 |
|  |  | ${ }^{61,860}$ | 319,195 |
|  |  | 36,420 | 2,494,487 |
|  |  | 11,808 | 686,488 |
|  |  | 11,685 | ${ }^{62,021}$ |
|  |  | 9,776 | 38,142 |
|  |  | 8,841 7,479 | 66,523 38,119 |
|  |  | 11,816 | 356,222 |
|  | Totals. | 8935,977 | 56,161,274 |
| Avila_. | Sardine | \$257,905 | 17,309,071 |
|  | Albacore | $\begin{array}{r}230,281 \\ 20,05 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1,222,296 |
|  | Abalone. |  |  |
|  | Crab--- | 10,053 | 187,434 82,402 |
|  | Rockfish | ${ }_{6}^{6,311}$ | ${ }^{63,239}$ |
|  | Broadbill swordfish | 5,89515,339 | 12,721297,070 |
|  | All other. |  |  |
|  | Totals. | \$545,839 | 19,174,233 |
| Santa Barbara. | Sardine -.....Spiny lobster. | 8249,97982,878 | 16,777,100 ${ }_{323,362}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | California halibut Abalone. | 48,844 | ${ }^{248,950}$ |
|  | Sole. | 46,242 24,813 | ${ }_{445,474}^{432,171}$ |
|  | White sea bass | 24,813 17.598 | 90,80374,773 |
|  | Albacore | 14,087 13,412 10, |  |
|  | Crab. | $\begin{array}{r} 13,412 \\ 5,371 \end{array}$ | 74,773 109,931 |
|  | Shark.... All other | $\begin{aligned} & 5,371 \\ & 8,841 \end{aligned}$ | 48,743 |
|  | Totals | 8512,065 | 18,832,048 |
| Morro Bay | Albacore. | \$289,073 | $1,562,519$$8,807,055$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{\text {Abalone. }}$ | 131,225 50,559 20.682 | $\begin{array}{r} 8,87,50512 \\ 472.512 \\ 115.917 \end{array}$ |
|  | Rockfish | 22,682 9,073 0.674 | 185,917 <br> 90,913 |
|  | All other Totals | 9,574 |  |
|  |  | 8512,186 | 11,214,400 |
| Channel Islands. | Abalone. | \$31,112 | 290,762 |
|  | Totals_ | \$31,112 | 290,762 |
| San Simeon_ | AbaloneShark... | $\begin{array}{r} 829,912 \\ 26 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 279,550 \\ 234 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Totals | \$29,938 | 279,784 |
| Cambria_ | Abalone All other | $\begin{array}{r} 86,003 \\ 762 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 56,100 \\ 7,631 \end{gathered}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Totals | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 6,765 \\ \$ 13,340 \end{array}$ | 63,731 |
| All other ports. | All other <br> Totals. |  | 108,939 |
|  |  | \$13,340 | 108,939 |

TABLE 23
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats in the Santa Barbara Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

|  |  | Value | Pounds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Los Angeles region totals. |  | \$40,465,894 | 864,851,342 |
| Terminal Island.. | Yellowfin tuna Skipjack tuna | $812,672,555$ <br> $6,873,495$ | 82,235,917 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Sardine-.-- | $\begin{aligned} & 6,873,495 \\ & 6,842,360 \end{aligned}$ | 42,49, $396,888,659$ |
|  | Albacore-.-... | 2,363,742 | 12,499,957 |
|  | Back matkere- | 1,073,910 | $55,356,186$ $2,109,489$ |
|  | Pacific mackerel. | 273,784 1 | ${ }_{11}^{11,266,833}$ |
|  | Yellowtail... | 1477337 34976 | $\begin{array}{r}1,699,383 \\ 361698 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
|  | Bonito-- | 34,9766,705 |  |
|  | All other |  | 334,199 |
|  | Totals. | \$30,614,569 | 611,191,324 |
| Long Beach | Yellowfin tuna | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 1,666,237 \\ 1,620,344 \end{array}$ | 10,812,698 |
|  | Sardine-.--- |  | 9,6410,591 |
|  | Skipjack tuna | 909,663 |  |
|  | Jack mackerel. Albacore | ${ }^{231,021}$ | $11,908,294$ 1,067433 |
|  | ${ }_{\text {Albacore-----1. }}$ | 201,852 149,209 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,067,433 \\ & 6,140,290 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Yellowtail.. | 149,209 47,036 | $6,140,290$ 542,511 |
|  | Bluefin tuna. | ${ }_{42,658}^{47,030}$ | 276,285$1,214,808$ |
|  | Pismo clam.. | $\begin{array}{r} 19,437 \\ 9,636 \end{array}$ |  |
|  | Spiny lobster All other | $\begin{array}{r} 9,636 \\ 15,178 \end{array}$ | 27,825 337,604 |
|  |  |  | 337,604 |
|  | Totals | \$4,912,271 | 132,725,836 |
| Wilmington. | Yellowfin tuna | $\begin{array}{r} 8753,670 \\ 726,670 \end{array}$ | $4,890,782$ $\begin{array}{r} 4,010,102 \\ 42,150,210 \end{array}$ |
|  | Sardine_-..... |  | 42,150,210 |
|  | Jack mackerel. | 527,902 | 27,211,426 |
|  | Albacore... | 129,789100499 | $\begin{array}{r} 2,821,852 \\ 686,350 \end{array}$ |
|  | Pacific mackerel |  | 4,135,757 |
|  | All other | $\begin{array}{r} 100,499 \\ 3,442 \end{array}$ | 55,477 |
|  | Totals_ | \$2,642,393 | 81,951,854 |
| San Pedro. | Barracuda-- | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 208,747 \\ 133,625 \end{array}$ | 1,349,368 |
|  | White sea bass |  | 881,889 |
|  | Abalone....- | 71,521 |  |
|  | Albacore--.-. Spiny lobster | 64,814 53,777 | 342,752 155,291 |
|  | Grouper-.... | 52,446 | 274,731 |
|  | California halibut | 49,060 34.269 | 233,063221,947 |
|  | Bluefin tuna- | 34,269 32,066 |  |
|  | Rockfish___-_-1 Pacific mackerel | 29,276 | 372,001 |
|  | Cabrilla... | 26,44219,133 | $1,204,789$ 288713 1 |
|  | Rock bass.- |  | 218,713 126,292 |
|  | Sculpin_---. | ${ }_{15,685}$ | 86,18087,395 |
|  | Black sea bass | 14,621 12,326 |  |
|  | Perch.- | 11,488 <br> 11,282 | 714,964 |
|  | Yellowtail |  | ${ }^{130,126}$ |
|  | Jack mackerel. | 10,90510,153 | ${ }_{5}^{562,137}$ |
|  | Shark......... |  | ${ }_{\substack{8,605 \\ 5908}}$ |
|  | Kingish_.-- | $\begin{array}{r} 8,519 \\ 30,947 \end{array}$ |  |
|  | All other_ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 192,293 \\ & 454,593 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Totals | 8910,272 | 8,359,173 |

TABLE 24
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats and Shipments Into the Los Angeles Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

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TABLE 24
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats and Shipments Into the Los Angeles Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values

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TABLE 25
Landings of the Commercial Fishing Boats and Shipments Into the San Diego Region During 1950, Shown by Port of Landing With the Corresponding Values


TABLE 26
The Recorded State-wide Catch, in Numbers of Fish, Made by Anglers Fishing From Licensed Party Boats and the Number of Angler Days

The Recorded Catch of Live Bait in Southern California Made by the Vessels Supplying the Party Boat Fleet

| Species | Pounds |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 |
| Anchovy | 7,172,581 | 5,554,194 | 7,647,640 |
| Kingfish | 51,953 | 101,934 | 48,545 |
| Mackerel, jack--.- |  |  | 433 |
| Pompano, California | 110 493859 |  |  |
| Queenfish.-- | r $1,027,643$ | 2,908,253 | 2,093,587 |
| Sardine, firecrackers |  | 1,070 | 4,251 |
| Smelt... | 54,503 | 108,697 | 30,824 |
| Total pounds. | 8,800,649 | 9,069,917 | 11,057,898 |
| Number of boats. | 25 | 23 | 25 |

TABLE 27
The Recorded Catch of Live Bait in Southern California Made by the Vessels Supplying the Party Boat Fleet

