

Prices

The Exvessel Price table is an index of changes in the relative dockside value of fish and shellfish sold by fishing vessels. The table indexes the average annual exvessel value (price per pound) received for each species or group to the average price per pound received for the same species or group in the base year 1982.

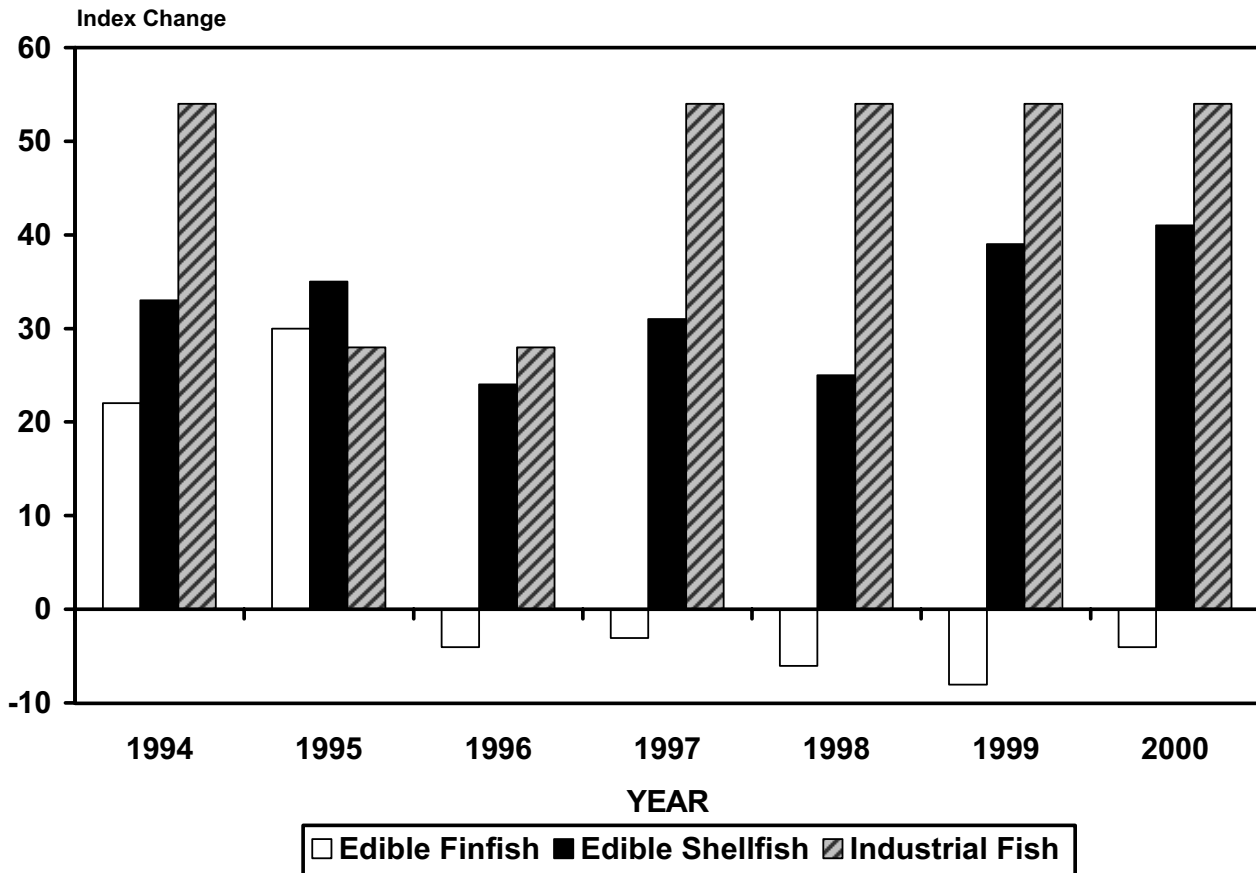
The exvessel price for each year was obtained by dividing total value for each species or group by its total quantity as reported in the U. S. commercial landings tables on pages 8 thru 13. The index for each species or group was obtained by multiplying the current annual price by the total quantity caught in 1982 (the base year). That

number was then divided by the 1982 value to obtain the final index:

$$\frac{(100 \times \text{Current price} \times \text{1982 quantity})}{\text{1982 Annual value}} = \text{Index}$$

Each index number measures price changes from the 1982 reference period when the index equaled 100. A species of fish that sold for \$0.75 a pound in 1986 and a \$1.00 a pound in 1982 would have an index of 75 in 1986. In 2000, if the price of the same species increased to \$1.07, the index in 2000 would be 107.

Percent Changes in the Exvessel Price Index, 1994-2000
(Change Relative to Base Year = 1982)



INDEXES OF EXVESSEL PRICES FOR FISH AND SHELLFISH, BY YEARS, 1994-2000 (1982=100)

Species	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Groundfish, et al:							
Cod	92	77	76	84	68	68	106
Haddock	287	277	239	218	253	264	264
Pollock:							
Atlantic	365	412	311	255	294	372	352
Alaska	212	161	160	170	124	124	109
Flounders	80	96	91	63	67	74	72
Total groundfish, et al.	125	125	115	100	99	106	144
Halibut	171	173	199	195	165	180	225
Sea herring	86	126	137	63	46	57	51
Salmon:							
Chinook	76	76	63	70	64	92	89
Chum	58	66	36	49	39	40	54
Pink	73	67	38	52	61	61	58
Sockeye	101	100	94	103	131	87	86
Coho	76	54	48	70	54	96	54
Total salmon	85	82	69	81	90	81	75
Swordfish	107	104	103	91	70	76	78
Tuna:							
Albacore	125	120	130	124	99	125	134
Bluefin	666	954	229	353	295	736	760
Skipjack	127	83	82	93	79	63	52
Yellowfin	205	283	113	126	100	88	122
Total tuna	181	212	105	118	96	94	109
Total edible finfish	122	130	96	97	94	92	96
Clams:							
Hard	105	113	148	163	174	160	144
Ocean Quahog	129	136	142	145	148	154	166
Soft	248	250	205	236	238	255	237
Surf	118	118	115	116	103	99	106
Total clams	133	138	147	159	161	157	150
Crabs:							
Blue	260	284	266	271	271	303	303
Dungeness	145	176	143	210	192	213	222
King	146	104	100	94	80	175	137
Snow	144	237	130	76	54	85	177
Total crabs	166	182	144	135	121	178	188
American lobster	128	141	147	138	138	160	157
Oysters	175	179	214	199	188	191	156
Scallops:							
Bay	49	55	69	111	90	133	134
Calico	94	124	-	217	(1)	93	(1)
Sea	138	138	153	179	166	166	137
Total scallops	126	131	129	178	141	155	121
Shrimp:							
Gulf and South Atlantic	110	99	88	106	94	97	111
Other	142	179	148	134	331	152	144
Total shrimp	111	103	91	107	105	100	112
Total edible shellfish	138	135	124	133	125	139	141
Total edible fish and shellfish	131	133	111	117	111	118	121
Industrial fish, Menhaden	154	128	128	154	154	154	154
All fish and shellfish	132	132	112	119	113	119	122

(1) Confidential data.

Employment, Craft, and Plants

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSELS (1) AND FISHING BOATS (2) BY REGION AND STATE, 1998 - 1999

Area and State	1998			1999		
	Vessels	Boats	Total	Vessels	Boats	Total
Northeast:						
Connecticut	245	318	563	232	281	513
Delaware	175	NA	175	178	NA	178
Maine	1,642	5,799	7,441	1,653	5,821	7,474
Maryland (3)	33	NA	33	34	NA	34
Massachusetts	715	4,500	5,215	700	4,520	5,220
New Hampshire	115	461	576	121	468	589
New Jersey	387	1,147	1,534	421	NA	421
New York (4)	689	2,931	3,620	678	2,825	3,503
Rhode Island	312	2,401	2,713	330	2,239	2,569
Virginia (3)	122	NA	122	241	NA	241
South Atlantic and Gulf:						
North Carolina	891	NA	891	667	NA	667
South Carolina	569	NA	569	577	NA	577
Georgia	350	NA	350	350	NA	350
Florida	2,384	6,157	8,541	2,214	5,602	7,816
Alabama	398	1,338	1,736	454	1,231	1,685
Mississippi	454	688	1,142	502	707	1,209
Louisiana	2,535	11,637	14,172	2,450	11,414	13,864
Texas	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast:						
Alaska	6,384	9,445	15,829	6,321	9,424	15,745
Washington	904	428	1,332	783	343	1,126
Oregon	668	296	964	643	308	951
California	1,392	1,191	2,583	1,438	1,142	2,580
Hawaii	2,855	NA	2,855	NA	NA	2,901
Great Lakes (5)						
Illinois	5	NA	5	5	NA	5
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Michigan	61	74	135	NA	NA	NA
Minnesota	1	22	23	1	24	25
New York	2	NA	2	1	NA	1
Ohio	40	19	59	34	21	55
Pennsylvania	2	1	3	2	1	3
Wisconsin	89	16	105	68	18	86

(1) Vessels are documented craft greater than 5 net registered tons.

(2) Boats are craft less than 5 net registered ton.

(3) Only Federally collected data are available. Inshore data are not available.

(4) Excludes vessels andboats in the Great Lakes.

(5) Commercial fishing fleet size of the Great Lakes states represent only the number of licenses issued by the State; therefore , may not be an accurate total. Tribal data are not included in this table.

NA -- Data not available or provided separately.

Employment, Craft, and Plants

PROCESSORS AND WHOLESALERS: PLANTS, AND EMPLOYMENT, 1999

Area and State	Processing		Wholesale (1)		Total	
	Plants	Employment	Plants	Employment	Plants	Employment
	-----Number-----					
New England:						
Maine	50	1,749	228	1,601	278	3,350
New Hampshire	8	362	28	169	36	531
Massachusetts	63	2,299	306	2,689	369	4,988
Rhode Island	17	463	54	380	71	843
Connecticut	4	70	38	308	42	378
Total	142	4,943	654	5,147	796	10,090
Mid-Atlantic:						
New York	7	179	348	2,569	355	2,748
New Jersey	16	1,168	NA	NA	16	1,168
Pennsylvania	6	1,954	65	842	71	2,796
Delaware	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia	-	-	6	94	6	94
Maryland	26	943	80	672	106	1,615
Virginia	37	1,639	79	548	116	2,187
Total	92	5,883	578	4,725	670	10,608
South Atlantic:						
North Carolina	41	1,276	96	851	137	2,127
South Carolina	4	77	31	188	35	265
Georgia	6	1,096	58	598	64	1,694
Florida	98	3,285	364	3,180	462	6,465
Total	149	5,734	549	4,817	698	10,551
Gulf:						
Alabama	75	1,361	53	783	128	2,144
Mississippi	36	2,712	36	244	72	2,956
Louisiana	122	2,673	161	1,189	283	3,862
Texas	23	1,309	116	1,294	139	2,603
Total	256	8,055	366	3,510	622	11,565
Pacific:						
Alaska	190	8,900	189	371	379	9,271
Washington	84	3,601	214	1,627	298	5,228
Oregon	31	1,081	24	386	55	1,467
California	122	6,283	410	4,931	532	11,214
Total	427	19,865	837	7,315	1,264	27,180
Inland States, Total	21	1,453	407	3,731	428	5,184
Other Areas or States:						
(3), Total	26	9,067	71	750	97	9,817
Grand total	1,113	55,000	3,462	29,995	4,575	84,995

(1) Data are based on Standard Industrial Classification Code 5146, as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(2) Included with Inland States for confidentiality reasons.

(3) Includes American Samoa, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. NA -- Data not available

Fishery Products Inspection

FISHERY PRODUCTS AND ESTABLISHMENTS INSPECTED IN CALENDAR YEAR, 2000

Region	Edible fishery products						
	Establishment (1)		Amount inspected				Total
	SIFE (2)	In-plant (3)	Grade A (4)	PUFI (4)	No mark (5)	Lot (6)	
	-Average number-		----- Thousand pounds -----				
Northeast	0	90	26,348	140,189	59,228	79,163	304,926
Southeast	0	104	13,398	81,200	57,905	102,461	254,964
West	1	64	20,017	27,307	281	217,397	265,002
Total	1	257	59,761	248,696	117,414	399,021	(7) 824,892

(1) These establishments are inspected under contract and certified as meeting U.S. Department of Commerce (USDC) regulations on construction and maintenance of facilities, equipment processing techniques, and employment practices.

(2) Fish processing establishments approved for sanitation under the Sanitary Inspected Fish Establishment Service (SIFE). Products are not processed under inspection.

(3) Sanitarily inspected fish establishments processing fishery products under USDC inspection. As of December 2000, 78 of these were in the Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) Program.

(4) Products processed under USDC inspection in inspected establishments and labeled with USDC inspection mark as "Processed Under Federal Inspection" (PUFI) and/or "U.S. Grade A."

(5) Products processed under inspection in inspected establishments but bearing no USDC inspection mark.

(6) Lot inspected and marked products checked for quality and condition at the time of examination and located in processing plants, warehouses, cold storage facilities, or terminal markets anywhere in the United States.

(7) Based on 1999 per capita consumption data, approximately 17.3 percent of seafood consumed in the U.S. is certified under the auspices of the Seafood Inspection Program.

Note:—Table may not add due to rounding.

Source:—NMFS, Seafood Inspection Program, F/SI.