

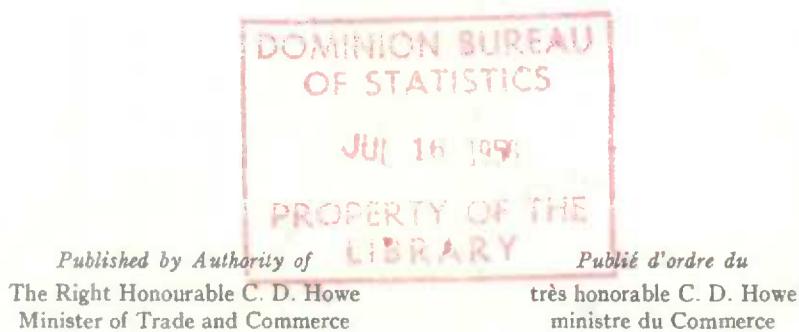
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### EXPLANATION

ATLANTIC	PACIFIC
OTHER FLATFISH - flounders, greysole, skate, turbot, witch, yellowtail	- flounders, skate
OTHER ESTUARIAL - eel, shad, sea-bass or -perch, sturgeon, tomcod	- eulachon, sea-bass or -perch smelt, sturgeon
OTHER SHELLFISH - crab, mussel, winkle	- abalone, octopus, prawn, shrimp

## FISHERIES OF CANADA - MAY 1956

### CANADA

Landings in the sea-fisheries of Canada in May amounted to 144,328,000 lb. -- 12% below the 164,147,000 lb. taken in May, 1955 -- and were valued at \$9,441,000 -- a scant 2% higher than the \$9,219,000 recorded in the same month of last year.

During the first five months of this year the value of the catch rose 20% to \$24,107,000 from the comparable 1955 value of \$20,062,000.

### PACIFIC

In May the landed value of the fish caught on our Pacific Coast totalled \$1,670,000 as against a value of \$1,475,000 placed on the fish landed during May, 1955.

Halibut landings were down considerably in May, but this season's operations did not get under way until the 20th, whereas in 1955 fishing began on the 12th of the month.

The value of the salmon catch -- \$415,000 -- was 46% higher than the May, 1955 value of \$285,000. This increase was due not only to higher landings at troll camps, but also to better unit prices.

### ATLANTIC

During May fish to the value of \$7,771,000 were landed on our Atlantic Coast. In the same month of last year the catch was valued at \$7,744,000.

In the first five months of 1956 the value of the aggregate Atlantic Coast catch was \$16,867,000 -- 4% above the \$16,228,000 recorded for the same period of 1955. With the exception of rosefish and catfish, landings of groundfish are higher this year. The lobster catch, although slightly under last year's in volume, is slightly higher in value.

### STOCKS

On May 31st stocks of frozen fish in Canada totalled 38,336,000 lb., of which 35,358,000 lb. were frozen fresh and 2,978,000 lb. frozen smoked. Total holdings were higher by 4,085,000 lb. (13%) fresh, but lower by 112,000 lb. (4%) frozen smoked than those of April 30th, 1956. Compared to the end of May, 1955 stocks, current holdings of fresh frozen fish were higher by 9,951,000 lb. (39%) and those of frozen smoked fish by 320,000 lb. (12%).

### EXPORTS

Exports of Canadian fish and fish products in the first four months of 1956 amounted to \$38,435,000 -- 4% higher than the \$37,102,000 recorded in the comparable period of last year. Sales in all categories are up, except for canned (down 10%) and salt fish (down 8%).

Table 1 - Landings by Sea Fishery and Species

Species and Sea Fishery	QUANTITY				VALUE			
	MAY		TOTALS TO DATE		MAY		TOTALS TO DATE	
	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
CANADA - TOTAL ...	144,328	164,147	673,319	482,167	9,441	9,219	24,107	20,062
Atlantic Total .....	131,933	149,790	327,737	336,002	7,771	7,744	16,867	16,228
Cod .....	28,177	24,135	83,404	81,876	812	681	2,556	2,467
Haddock .....	11,270	9,402	92,451	65,098	386	310	2,924	2,227
Pollock .....	1,628	3,430	6,263	5,868	28	61	96	89
Hake .....	198	292	1,026	1,238	2	3	15	15
Cusk .....	220	90	1,180	763	5	1	23	12
Rosefish .....	1,630	1,488	3,969	5,671	35	35	86	130
Catfish .....	911	1,467	1,840	2,818	24	41	44	72
Other Groundfish .....	46	53	186	211	1	1	4	3
Halibut .....	827	664	2,863	2,223	202	124	648	457
Plaice & Graysole .....	6,972	9,859	11,401	15,532	213	312	342	489
Other Flatfish .....	2,939	3,834	6,346	7,201	98	131	215	274
Herring .....	50,426	68,240	67,819	106,437	302	390	459	732
Sardines .....	949	230	13,132	2,364	19	6	306	58
Mackerel .....	591	2,591	602	2,622	27	89	27	90
Capelin .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alewife .....	5,295	3,566	5,750	4,335	86	49	59	65
Salmon .....	15	36	15	36	7	14	7	14
Smelt .....	17	3	2,261	4,147	3	--	260	443
Swordfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Estuarial Fish .....	728	881	1,981	1,614	63	32	88	52
Lobster .....	17,887	18,079	22,183	23,078	5,085	5,058	7,862	7,697
Clams and Quahogs .....	998	1,137	2,313	2,148	55	49	122	106
Oyster .....	23	10	39	46	2	1	2	2
Scallop .....	178	248	609	523	73	99	280	217
Squid .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Shellfish .....	8	55	104	153	--	1	3	3
Supplementary Landings ..	..	..	..	..	243	256	439	514
Livers, Cod .....	388	329	1,315	1,162	6	5	17	25
" , Halibut .....	13	8	22	22	2	2	4	4
" , Swordfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
" , Other .....	-	13	94	26	--	2	--	--
Irish Moss .....	200	1,693	749	2,847	2	19	9	46
Other Seaweed .....	-	2	-	2	-	1	-	1
Hair Seal ..... no.	61,265	110,014	169,929	219,217	226	221	399	428
Bait Worm ..... no.	725,310	778,485	838,270	1,003,530	7	8	8	10
Pacific Total .....	12,395	14,357	345,582	146,165	1,670	1,475	7,240	3,834
Salmon Total .....	1,387	998	2,032	1,393	415	285	611	397
Sockeye .....	3	4	3	4	1	1	1	1
Spring, Red .....	1,216	855	1,795	1,188	382	257	566	356
Spring, White .....	162	130	214	184	32	26	42	37
Steelhead .....	2	4	10	11	--	1	2	3
Coho .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pink .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chum .....	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Other .....	3	5	9	6	--	--	--	--
Grey Cod .....	372	585	1,894	2,310	16	23	87	98
Lingcod .....	544	482	1,909	1,636	45	34	170	122
Black Cod (Sablefish) ...	9	35	69	45	1	4	9	5
Halibut .....	5,068	7,315	5,068	7,315	963	859	963	859
Soles .....	988	694	3,202	2,366	45	36	155	117
Other Flatfish .....	7	16	194	238	--	1	7	10
Herring .....	817	1,418	315,869	118,483	30	54	4,519	1,516
Other Estuarial Fish .....	1,809	1,254	6,358	2,720	49	30	169	83
Crab .....	405	650	1,058	1,417	42	70	114	157
Clams .....	188	274	3,361	4,146	7	9	95	118
Oyster .....	732	585	3,854	3,549	36	29	187	176
Other Shellfish .....	69	51	714	547	11	9	119	90
Supplementary Landings ..	..	..	..	..	10	32	35	86
Livers .....	60	128	241	393	10	31	35	85
Viscera .....	1	21	1	21	--	1	--	1
Other .....	..	..	..	..	--	--	--	--

Table 1 (cont'd.) - Landings by Sea Fishery and Species

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Species and Sea Fishery	QUANTITY				VALUE			
	MAY		TOTALS TO DATE		MAY		TOTALS TO DATE	
	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
NEWFOUNDLAND Total .....	19,449	19,449	87,742	80,992	812	954	2,652	2,495
Cod .....	6,524	6,692	22,526	25,760	147	151	516	608
Haddock .....	4,780	2,356	44,455	23,767	128	64	1,222	691
Pollock .....	58	26	105	46	--	--	1	--
Rosefish .....	1,189	742	3,075	3,602	25	16	65	79
Other Groundfish .....	40	44	128	119	1	1	4	3
Halibut .....	53	68	493	288	6	10	59	44
Plaice & Greysole .....	3,252	4,459	6,181	8,207	94	131	176	245
Turbot .....	-	-	79	100	-	-	6	8
Other Flatfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Herring .....	2,098	3,230	9,116	17,006	29	45	135	211
Mackerel .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capelin .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salmon .....	3	27	3	27	1	9	1	9
Smelt .....	4	-	35	15	1	-	5	3
Other Estuarial Fish ....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lobster .....	1,448	1,805	1,546	2,055	372	470	397	526
Clams .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scallops .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Squid .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Shellfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplements: Landings ..	..	..	..	..	8	57	65	68
NOVA SCOTIA Total .....	43,189	48,705	141,845	141,119	3,864	4,059	10,281	10,185
Cod .....	14,583	12,667	53,585	51,036	478	392	1,844	1,710
Haddock .....	5,988	6,038	47,309	40,108	240	209	1,673	1,487
Pollock .....	941	3,007	3,586	5,165	15	53	48	77
Hake .....	142	156	968	1,102	2	2	15	14
Cusk .....	220	90	1,180	763	5	1	23	12
Rosefish .....	330	674	783	1,997	8	17	19	49
Catfish .....	904	1,448	1,829	2,790	24	40	44	71
Other Groundfish .....	-	9	52	92	-	--	-	--
Halibut .....	730	552	2,318	1,887	188	104	580	401
Plaice .....	2,238	3,219	3,700	5,144	74	107	120	170
Other Flatfish .....	2,596	3,779	5,791	6,700	88	130	193	249
Herring .....	1,959	2,555	2,098	3,914	20	28	23	45
Sardines .....	13	-	1,157	-	--	-	29	-
Mackerel .....	591	2,591	592	2,622	27	89	27	90
Alewife .....	3,771	2,736	4,071	3,304	47	41	56	54
Salmon .....	8	7	8	7	4	4	4	4
Smelt .....	8	-	80	108	1	-	13	20
Swordfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Estuarial Fish ....	249	227	280	258	8	9	13	14
Lobster .....	7,565	8,491	11,568	13,158	2,321	2,538	4,945	5,081
Clams and Quahogs .....	184	223	388	490	12	14	27	31
Oyster .....	-	-	11	12	-	-	--	--
Scallop .....	169	236	491	462	69	94	220	199
Squid .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Shellfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplementary Landings ..	..	..	..	..	233	187	365	407

Table 1 (concl'd.) - Landings by Sea Fishery and Species

Species and Sea Fishery	QUANTITY				VALUE			
	MAY		TOTALS TO DATE		MAY		TOTALS TO DATE	
	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
NEW BRUNSWICK Total .....	27,440	31,840	45,830	42,833	1,072	838	1,795	1,443
Cod .....	1,194	1,483	1,383	1,771	31	46	39	57
Haddock .....	204	680	385	895	7	27	18	39
Pollack .....	629	397	2,572	657	13	8	47	12
Hake .....	46	98	46	98	--	1	-	1
Cusk .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	--
Rosefish .....	104	72	104	72	2	2	2	2
Catfish .....	7	19	11	28	--	1	--	1
Halibut .....	1	4	2	8	--	1	--	3
Plaice .....	837	1,388	837	1,388	25	48	25	48
Other Flatfish .....	21	47	144	393	1	1	7	17
Herring .....	18,566	23,650	19,464	26,620	120	139	130	201
Sardines .....	913	210	11,952	2,344	18	5	276	57
Mackerel .....	-	-	10	-	-	-	--	-
Alewife .....	1,524	830	1,679	1,031	39	8	3	11
Salmon .....	4	2	4	2	2	1	2	1
Smelt .....	-	-	1,629	3,222	-	-	192	343
Other Estuarial Fish ....	358	561	1,432	1,031	50	17	66	26
Lobster .....	2,505	1,740	2,700	1,822	730	504	858	544
Clams and Quahogs .....	503	605	1,244	1,254	31	27	68	63
Oyster .....	14	3	14	4	1	--	1	--
Scallop .....	5	1	114	50	2	--	58	13
Other Shellfish .....	5	50	104	143	--	1	3	3
Supplementary Landings ..	..	..	..	..	--	1	--	1
 P. E. I. Total .....	 9,118	 9,751	 9,759	 10,818	 1,314	 1,292	 1,351	 1,352
Cod .....	853	668	853	673	25	20	25	20
Haddock .....	201	192	201	192	8	6	8	6
Hake .....	10	38	10	38	--	--	--	--
Plaice .....	310	437	310	437	9	15	9	15
Other Flatfish .....	322	8	332	8	9	--	9	--
Herring .....	2,705	3,599	2,948	4,147	32	27	37	31
Mackerel .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alewife .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salmon .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smelt .....	-	-	235	259	-	-	21	22
Other Estuarial Fish ....	-	-	148	232	-	-	4	6
Lobster .....	4,694	4,763	4,694	4,763	1,226	1,207	1,226	1,207
Clams and Quahogs .....	10	28	10	28	--	1	--	1
Oyster .....	9	7	14	30	1	1	1	2
Scallop .....	4	11	4	11	2	5	2	5
Other Shellfish .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplementary Landings ..	..	..	..	..	2	10	9	37
 QUEBEC Total .....	 32,737	 40,045	 42,561	 60,240	 709	 601	 788	 753
Cod .....	5,023	2,625	5,057	2,636	131	72	132	72
Haddock .....	97	136	101	136	3	4	3	4
Hake .....	-	-	2	-	-	--	-	--
Rosefish .....	7	-	7	-	--	-	--	-
Halibut .....	43	40	50	40	8	9	9	9
Plaice .....	335	356	373	356	11	11	12	11
Other Groundfish .....	6	-	6	-	--	--	--	-
Herring .....	25,098	35,206	34,193	54,750	101	151	134	244
Sardines .....	23	20	23	20	1	1	1	1
Mackerel .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salmon .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smelt .....	5	3	282	543	1	--	29	55
Other Estuarial Fish ....	121	93	121	93	5	6	5	6
Lobster .....	1,675	1,280	1,675	1,280	436	339	436	339
Clams .....	301	281	671	376	12	7	27	11
Scallop .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Squid .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Shellfish .....	3	5	-	10	--	--	--	--
Supplementary Landings ..	..	..	..	..	--	1	--	1

Table 2 - Landings by Inland Fishery and Species

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NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

MAY				SPECIES	DECEMBER TO MAY (incl.)				
QUANTITY		VALUE			QUANTITY		VALUE		
1956	1955	1956	1955		1956	1955	1956	1955	
'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	..... Total .....	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Whitefish .....	2,556	2,670	321	335	
				Trout .....	1,886	1,983	245	258	
				Inconnu .....	488	502	63	65	
				Other .....	92	97	6	6	
					90	88	7	6	

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APRIL				SPECIES	TOTALS TO END OF APRIL				
QUANTITY		VALUE			QUANTITY		VALUE		
1956	1955	1956	1955		1956	1955	1956	1955	
'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	..... Total .....	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	
7,136	6,562	633	756	Whitsfish .....	10,465	8,109	1,100	1,034	
236	279	93	112	Tullibee .....	397	427	158	164	
26	44	1	9	Lake Herring .....	54	71	5	10	
17	16	4	4	Pickerel (Y. Pike) ..	32	26	7	6	
1,490	866	134	117	Blue Pickerel .....	2,414	1,140	290	216	
1,105	1,727	123	225	Sauger .....	1,320	1,794	168	241	
6	14	1	2	Perch .....	19	34	3	5	
970	665	74	54	Lake Trout .....	1,282	768	122	70	
41	95	15	33	Pike (Jackfish) .....	50	115	19	41	
66	45	5	4	Sturgeon .....	209	216	20	22	
9	8	11	9	Suckers .....	11	12	15	14	
108	129	3	4	Catfish .....	193	234	5	6	
30	39	6	6	White Bass .....	32	41	7	6	
958	486	58	30	Other .....	1,927	667	147	55	
2,074	2,149	105	147		2,525	2,564	134	178	

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MAY				SPECIES	TOTALS TO END OF MAY				
QUANTITY		VALUE			QUANTITY		VALUE		
1956	1955	1956	1955		1956	1955	1956	1955	
'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	..... Total .....	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Whitefish .....	9,728	9,348	1,007	876	
				Pickerel (Y. Pike) ..	1,429	2,382	181	221	
				Perch .....	2,029	2,166	353	365	
				Sauger .....	719	359	91	33	
				Pike (Jackfish) .....	1,441	570	250	101	
				Other .....	1,619	1,653	56	87	
					2,491	2,228	76	69	

Table 3 - Output of Main Products and By-products of Sea Fisheries

(In thousands of pounds, unless otherwise specified)

Product and Species	JANUARY - MAY		Product and Species	JANUARY - MAY		
	1956	1955		1956	1955	
ATLANTIC						
<b>FRESH &amp; FROZEN, round or dressed:</b>						
cod, fresh .....	3,198	4,238	PICKLED & VINEGAR-CURED (bbl.):			
" , frozen .....	162	404	herring, split .....	5,589	13,868	
haddock, fresh .....	1,834	2,203	" , fillets .....	6,294	7,289	
" , frozen .....	124	355	mackerel, split .....	422	2,962	
pollock, fresh .....	2,488	840	" , fillets .....	-	-	
" , frozen .....	356	322	alewife, split .....	12,306	6,520	
hake, fresh .....	185	175	" , fillets .....	167	1,211	
" , frozen .....	-	18	turbot, split .....	243	304	
cusk, fresh .....	161	35				
" , frozen .....	-	-	<b>CANNED (48 lb. case):</b>			
halibut, fresh and frozen ....	2,570	2,039	cod and related species .....	3/	3/	
herring, fresh .....	7,120	19,010	herring .....	3/	-	
" , frozen .....	1,702	2,083	" , kippered snacks .....	3/	3/	
mackerel, fresh .....	312	606	mackerel .....	-	-	
" , frozen .....	-	152	salmon .....	-	-	
sardines, fresh .....	23	20	sardines (20 lb. case) .....	319,179	72,440	
alewife, fresh .....	558	2,787				
salmon, fresh and frozen ....	16	32	<b>SHELLFISH</b>			
shad, fresh and frozen .....	449	693	lobster, in shell .....	12,763	13,847	
smelt, fresh and frozen .....	2,263	4,171	" , meat .....	563	1,226	
swordfish, fresh and frozen ...	-	-	clams & quahaugs, in shell ...	165	229	
tomcod, fresh and frozen ....	1,070	376	" " , meat .....	130	173	
			oyster, in shell .....	32	44	
<b>FRESH &amp; FROZEN, fillets:</b>			scallop, meat .....	609	524	
cod, fresh .....	5,624	4,889				
" , frozen .....	11,900	10,475	lobster, canned (48 lb. cs.) .	20,173	10,574	
haddock, fresh .....	5,098	4,841	clams & quahaugs, canned (30 lb. cs.) .	2,589	2,405	
" , frozen .....	15,592	7,695				
pollock, fresh .....	92	111	<b>BY-PRODUCTS:</b>			
" , frozen .....	89	81	a. Meal (tons);			
hake, fresh .....	38	64	cod and related species .....	11,604	10,215	
" , frozen .....	18	8	rosefish .....	1/	1/	
cusk, fresh .....	83	140	herring .....	2,247	1,473	
" , frozen .....	91	3				
rosefish, fresh .....	5	7	b. Oil (gals.);			
" , frozen .....	1,002	1,455	cod .....	58,525	58,223	
catfish, fresh .....	191	233	rosefish .....	6,204	3,033	
" , frozen .....	440	756	herring .....	70,469	3/	
halibut, fresh and frozen ....	132	96	seal .....	196,668	270,784	
plaice & flounders, fresh ....	504	1,160				
" " " , frozen ....	3,409	4,167	c. Other;			
			herring scales .....	138	44	
<b>FROZEN, blocks:</b>			lobster tomalley (48 lb. cs.) .	318	453	
cod .....	3,395	5,742	" paste (18 lb. cs.) ...	5,813	2,589	
haddock .....	10,161	9,331	cod skins .....	118	234	
pollock .....	92	-	" roe .....	2/	4	
rosefish .....	-	4	" glue .....	4,089	5,636	
other .....	-	-				
<b>SMOKED, dressed and fillets:</b>						
cod, fillets .....	3,342	2,529	<u>1/</u> Included with cod.			
haddock, dressed .....	416	526	<u>2/</u> Includes mixed roe.			
" , fillets .....	194	103	<u>3/</u> Less than three firms.			
herring, kippered .....	53	367				
" , bloater .....	7,262	8,762				
" , boneless .....	13	95				
<b>WET-SALTED:</b>						
cod .....	6,005	6,582				
haddock .....	20	35				
pollock .....	1,346	1,979				
hake .....	240	304				
cusk .....	168	132				

Table 3 (concl'd.) - Output of Main Products and By-Products of Sea Fisheries

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Product and Species	JANUARY - MAY		Product and Species	JANUARY - MAY		
	1956	1955		1956	1955	
PACIFIC						
<b>FRESH &amp; FROZEN, round or dressed:</b>						
cods, frozen .....	235	164	oyster, shucked (gal.) .....	..	44,926	
halibut, frozen .....	1,782	4,704	clams, canned (48 lb. cs.) ..	..	8,401	
salmon, frozen .....	310	83	crabs, "	..	612	
soles, frozen .....	21	22	oyster, "	..	969	
herring, fresh .....	602	1,164				
<b>FROZEN, fillets:</b>						
cods .....	440	594	a. Meal (tons); herring, body .....	21,295	11,587	
halibut .....	339	574	b. Oil (gal.) herring, body .....	1,794,347	1,040,708	
salmon .....	59	194	Herring, bait (ton) .....	261	1,750	
soles .....	634	835	Herring, dry-salted .....	..	400	
<b>CANNED (48 lb. case):</b>						
herring .....	..	..				
salmon .....	-	-				
tuna .....	..	..				
PACIFIC						
<b>SHELLFISH:</b>						

Table 4 - Stocks of Salted and Pickled Fish - Atlantic Coast<sup>1/</sup>

Product and Species	May 31, 1955	MAY 31, 1956	April 30, 1956
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
<b>WET-SALTED (pickled or kench-cured):</b>			
cod <sup>2/</sup> .....	6,855	5,274	6,864
pollock .....	837	1,238	1,618
hake .....	77	98	120
other .....	21	57	21
<b>DRIED-SALTED:</b>			
cod <sup>3/</sup> .....	13,568	5,504	6,133
pollock .....	130	311	472
hake .....	91	66	94
other .....	11	20	20
<b>BONELESS SALTED (fillets, etc.):</b>			
cod .....	134	413 <sup>4/</sup>	369
other .....	16	-	32
	bbls.	bbls.	bbls.
<b>PICKLED:</b>			
herring .....	3,880	3,506	4,998
mackerel .....	2,382	1,394	2,489
alewife .....	10,350	6,899	8,058
	boxes	boxes	boxes
<b>BLOATERS</b> .....	5/	5/	37,904

<sup>1/</sup> Newfoundland stocks are included even though they are reported on the 20th of the month.<sup>2/</sup> Includes Newfoundland stocks of incompletely cured, washed and pressed, saltbulk fish.<sup>3/</sup> Includes both heavy and slack salted, all cures.<sup>4/</sup> Includes 'other'.<sup>5/</sup> Less than three firms reporting.

Table 5 - Cold Storage Stocks of Fresh and Smoked Frozen Fish

Item	APRIL 30, 1956 <u>PRELIMINARY</u>	March 31, 1956 Revised	April 30, 1956	
			Final	
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	
<b>CANADA TOTAL</b>	<b>34,050</b>	<b>30,695</b>	<b>..</b>	
Frozen fresh sea fish, total	15,743	14,155	18,654	
Cod, Atlantic	dressed ..... fillets ..... blocks ..... breaded cooked & uncooked .....	53 2,204 1,041 66 476 215 50 3,887 2,146 247 80 354 182 49 680 114 26 26 675 1 87 169 -	66 1,281 520 99 491 130 46 2,681 1,722 186 30 399 146 40 1,375 175 673 (x) 220 358 2 192 800 100 12 16 63 155 8 61	64 2,719 777 101 475 236 45 2,947 2,147 314 64 377 134 59 2,508 525 48 14 178 (x) 104 60 86 71 264 281 (x) 3 451 84 53
Cod, Pacific	dressed ..... fillets ..... blocks ..... breaded cooked & uncooked .....	476 215 50 3,887 2,146 247 80 354 182 49 680 114 26 26 675 1 87 169 -	491 130 46 2,681 1,722 186 30 399 146 40 1,375 175 673 (x) 220 358 2 192 800 100 12 16 63 155 8 61	475 236 45 2,947 2,147 314 64 377 134 59 2,508 525 48 14 178 (x) 104 60 86 71 264 281 (x) 3 451 84 53
Haddock	dressed ..... fillets ..... blocks ..... breaded cooked & uncooked .....	50 3,887 2,146 247 80 354 182 49 680 114 26 26 675 1 87 169 -	46 2,681 1,722 186 30 399 146 40 1,375 175 673 (x) 220 358 2 192 800 100 12 16 63 155 8 61	45 2,947 2,147 314 64 377 134 59 2,508 525 48 14 178 (x) 104 60 86 71 264 281 (x) 3 451 84 53
Catfish	fillets .....	80	30	
Rosefish (Ocean Perch)	fillets .....	354	399	
Halibut, Atlantic	dressed .....	182	146	
Halibut, Pacific	fillets .....	49	40	
Soles	dressed .....	680	1,375	
Other flatfish	fillets .....	114	175	
Groundfish, unclassified	steaks .....	26	67	
Capelin	round .....	675	673	
Herring, Atlantic	round .....	1	(x)	
Herring, Pacific	round .....	87	220	
Mackerel	round or dressed .....	169	358	
Shad	round or dressed .....	-	358	
Smelts	round or dressed .....	1,025	60	
Salmon, Atlantic	fillets .....	152	2	
Salmon, Pacific, total	round or dressed .....	29	86	
Chum	steaks .....	1	71	
Coho	dressed .....	1	264	
Pink	fillets .....	563	281	
Sockeye	steaks .....	57	(x)	
Spring, Pink	dressed .....	563	962	
Spring, Red	fillets .....	12	96	
Spring, White	steaks .....	27	50	
Steelhead	dressed .....	1	100	
Unclassified	fillets .....	16	4	
Clams	.....	91	1	
Lobsters	.....	(x)	3	
Oysters	.....	3	(x)	
Scallops	.....	99	173	
Shrimps	.....	5	206	
Squid	.....	1	31	
Shellfish, unclassified	.....	5	31	
Sea fish, unclassified	.....	286	116	
		255	7	
Frozen fresh inland fish, total	.....	283	453	
Bass	round or dressed .....	3,688	2,811	
Cisco (Lake Herring)	fillets .....	247	3,429	
Goldeye	round or dressed .....	108	62	
	round or dressed .....	194	74	
	round or dressed .....	70	14	
	round or dressed .....	179	210	
	round or dressed .....	68	-	

Table 5 (concl'd.) - Cold Storage Stocks of Fresh and Smoked Frozen Fish

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Item	APRIL 30, 1956	March 31, 1956	April 30, 1956
	PRELIMINARY	Revised	Final
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
<u>CANADA (concluded)</u>			
Frozen fresh inland fish (concluded)			
Lake Trout	round or dressed .....	87	110
	fillets .....	9	4
Perch	round or dressed .....	41	21
	fillets .....	47	42
Pickerel, Blue	round or dressed .....	12	(x)
	fillets .....	72	15
Pickerel (Yellow Pike)	round or dressed .....	214	158
	fillets .....	156	421
Pike (Jackfish)	round or dressed .....	78	65
	fillets .....	204	308
Saugers	round or dressed .....	251	72
	fillets .....	88	64
Suckers (incl. Mullets)	round or dressed .....	5	10
	fillets .....	5	13
Tullibee	round or dressed .....	184	111
Whitefish	round or dressed .....	127	536
	fillets .....	363	101
Inland fish, unclassified .....		1,126	377
Frozen smoked fish, total .....		3,074	2,426
Cod, Atlantic	fillets .....	1,800	1,485
Cod, Pacific	dressed .....	46	41
	fillets .....	239	100
Goldeye	dressed .....	7	6
Haddock	dressed .....	370	307
	fillets .....	32	30
Salmon	fillets .....	16	12
Sea Herring	dressed (kippers) .....	521	408
Smoked fish, unclassified .....		43	37
Frozen fish held for Bait and Animal Feed		11,545	11,303
Bait, total .....		7,161	8,285
Herring, Atlantic .....		921	1,343
Herring, Pacific .....		1,266	1,508
Mackerel .....		190	336
Squid .....		-	-
Other .....		4,784	5,098
Animal feed, unclassified .....		4,384	3,018

INTERNAL TRADE

Table 6 - IMPORTS of Fishery Products

TO END OF MARCH

KIND AND COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	QUANTITY		VALUE	
	1956	1955	1956	1955
	- '000 lb. -	- \$ -	- \$ -	- \$ -
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b> .....			2,543,784	2,634,544
<b>FRESH AND FROZEN FISH</b> .....	1,895	1,906	283,017	303,103
Cod and related species .....	325	125	55,222	24,091
U.S.A. .....	185	102	34,960	19,011
Halibut .....	433	358	73,096	67,506
U.S.A. .....	215	255	38,481	50,777
Salmon .....	99	215	36,997	74,024
Alaska .....	21	91	6,249	26,604
U.S.A. .....	78	124	36,997	47,420
Other .....	1,038	1,208	117,702	137,482
U.S.A. .....	1,017	1,141	111,099	122,187
<b>CURED FISH</b> .....	728	752	111,622	109,858
Cod etc., wet-salted .....	2	-	160	-
U.S.A. .....	2	-	160	-
Herring, pickled .....	494	557	60,878	67,324
Netherlands .....	262	243	35,807	33,989
Norway .....	74	34	6,784	2,885
Other .....	232	195	50,584	42,534
U.S.A. .....	35	16	9,107	4,645
<b>CANNED FISH</b> .....	..	..	722,402	601,768
Anchovies, sardines .....	371	519	163,961	277,751
Norway .....	235	400	97,741	226,568
Portugal .....	48	66	27,315	27,244
Pilchards .....	112	4	12,550	518
U.S.A. .....	112	1	12,550	107
Other .....	..	..	545,891	323,499
<b>SHELLFISH</b> .....	..	..	752,700	648,600
Lobsters, fresh .....	20	13	14,311	9,782
U.S.A. .....	19	4	13,341	3,122
Oysters, fresh .....	..	..	235,045	178,986
U.S.A. .....	..	..	235,045	178,986
Other, fresh .....	..	..	5,783	10,387
Canned .....	..	..	497,561	449,445
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b> .....	..	..	674,043	971,215
Meal .....	-	-	-	-
Whale and sperm oil gal.	11,206	83	12,178	13,054
U.S.A. .....	9,991	63	10,819	9,609
Oil, concentrated and for fortifying .....	..	..	70,660	194,276
U.S.A. .....	..	..	13,815	139,818
Other oils .....	..	..	95,917	457,564
Other products .....	..	..	495,288	306,321
U.S.A. .....	..	..	427,702	283,320

Table 7 - Exports of Fishery Products

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TO END OF APRIL

Product and Country of Destination	QUANTITY		VALUE	
	1956 '000 lb.	1955 '000 lb.	1956 \$'000	1955 \$'000
TOTAL EXPORTS .....	..	..	38,435	37,102
FRESH & FROZEN, whole or dressed, total .....	36,073	34,615	7,639	7,605
Sea fish, total .....	15,330	16,909	2,656	3,224
Cod, Atlantic:				
fresh, dressed .....	868	817	90	76
frozen, dressed .....	90	641	16	10
Cods, Pacific:				
fresh, dressed .....	236	152	34	22
frozen, dressed .....	113	51	20	6
Haddock and other groundfish:				
fresh, dressed .....	2,364	614	83	39
frozen, dressed .....	50	65	8	15
Halibut:				
fresh, dressed .....	818	640	328	226
frozen, dressed .....	3,185	4,197	805	938
Herring, sea .....	850	1,139	25	37
Mackerel .....	730	847	80	79
Salmon, Atlantic:				
fresh, whole or dressed .....	3	8	1	3
frozen, whole or dressed .....	16	31	8	14
Salmon, Pacific:				
fresh, whole or dressed .....	132	118	54	28
frozen, whole or dressed .....	1,391	3,841	578	1,049
Smelt .....	2,050	3,366	437	646
Other sea fish .....	2,434	382	89	36
Freshwater fish, total .....	20,743	17,706	4,983	4,381
Eel .....	102	17	27	4
Lake Herring .....	150	239	20	36
Perch .....	1,175	880	222	157
Pickerel .....	5,856	4,125	1,275	1,099
Pike .....	1,214	1,075	129	141
Sauger .....	1,896	993	425	225
Sturgeon .....	90	58	114	69
Trout .....	704	645	241	204
Tullibee .....	96	83	12	11
Whitefish .....	6,144	6,441	2,076	2,007
Other freshwater fish .....	3,316	3,150	442	428
FRESH & FROZEN, fillets and blocks, total ..	38,514	35,744	8,974	8,222
Sea fish, total .....	34,081	32,343	7,128	6,856
Cod, Atlantic:				
fillets .....	7,768	9,256	1,489	1,711
blocks .....	5,036	5,112	864	1,085
Haddock:				
fillets .....	8,445	7,575	1,819	1,593
blocks .....	6,472	5,577	1,137	1,179
Catfish, fillets .....	170	224	43	51
Hake, pollock, cusk, fillets .....	279	318	49	47
Rosefish (Ocean Perch), fillets .....	1,568	1,531	370	288
Other groundfish blocks .....	45	116	6	33
Flatfish, fillets .....	4,016	2,100	1,252	705
Other sea fish fillets .....	282	534	99	166
Freshwater fillets, total .....	4,433	3,401	1,846	1,366
Pickerel .....	2,097	1,568	1,037	778
Pike .....	916	790	274	248
Whitefish .....	347	394	121	128
Other freshwater fillets .....	1,073	649	414	212

Table 7 (cont'd.) - Exports of Fishery Products

TO END OF APRIL

Product and Country of Destination	QUANTITY		VALUE	
	1956 '000 lb.	1955 '000 lb.	1956 \$'000	1955 \$'000
SMOKED FISH, total .....	4,427	3,112	594	446
Haddock, dressed .....	42	69	11	19
U.S.A. .....	41	63	11	17
Herring, sea .....	3,712	2,437	398	261
Dominican Republic .....	1,227	832	124	73
Haiti .....	2,084	1,191	212	119
U.S.A. .....	268	285	48	56
Cod fillets .....	593	551	147	139
U.S.A. .....	578	537	144	135
Haddock, pollock, hake fillets .....	38	17	8	4
Other smoked fish .....	42	38	30	23
SALTED FISH, total .....	36,210	40,656	5,620	6,093
Cod, salted and dried .....	27,750	30,810	4,155	4,596
Barbados .....	1,022	670	134	84
Jamaica .....	5,441	5,362	795	855
Trinidad .....	1,518	1,604	247	259
Leeward Windward Islands .....	1,220	1,024	167	136
Brazil .....	-	187	-	29
Cuba .....	5,451	3,877	844	584
Dominican Republic .....	42	89	6	12
Italy .....	186	3,299	32	502
Portugal .....	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico .....	8,955	10,076	1,214	1,310
U.S.A. .....	888	782	153	142
Cod, salted, boneless .....	2,385	2,109	607	574
U.S.A. .....	2,004	1,743	503	475
Cod, wet-salted .....	941	1,559	120	216
U.S.A. .....	941	1,220	120	180
Hake, haddock, pollock, cusk, salted and dried .....	5,004	3,882	723	552
British Guiana .....	412	522	61	73
Cuba .....	849	163	128	24
Dominican Republic .....	2,746	1,949	392	278
Puerto Rico .....	447	409	61	56
U.S.A. .....	22	7	3	1
Hake, haddock, pollock, cusk, salted boneless .....	45	412	9	61
U.S.A. .....	33	59	6	10
Herring, dry-salted .....	-	1,873	-	93
Other salted fish .....	85	11	6	1
PICKLED FISH, total .....	9,265	7,869	1,024	810
Alewife .....	2,496	1,996	159	140
Herring, sea .....	4,208	3,837	479	367
Jamaica .....	473	342	37	25
Mackerel .....	2,411	1,785	324	233
Jamaica .....	1,446	1,077	173	128
U.S.A. .....	551	390	98	64
Other pickled fish .....	150	251	62	70

Table 7 (concl'd.) - Exports of Fishery Products

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TO END OF APRIL

Product and Country of Destination	QUANTITY		VALUE	
	1956 '000 lb.	1955 '000 lb.	1956 \$'000	1955 \$'000
CANNED FISH, total .....	15,444	18,289	4,743	5,258
Herring, sea .....	466	595	72	82
Jamaica .....	258	332	35	39
U.S.A. .....	129	159	27	31
Sardines .....	3,574	3,731	685	664
Union of South Africa .....	612	593	135	127
British Guiana .....	238	315	45	57
Jamaica .....	766	469	141	77
Trinidad .....	452	253	87	48
Belgian Congo .....	8	346	1	51
Salmon .....	11,367	13,892	3,978	4,492
United Kingdom .....	410	931	189	498
Australia .....	80	66	33	27
New Zealand .....	1,173	1,634	462	691
Belgium .....	1,426	2,496	483	718
Italy .....	4,343	1,451	128	372
Netherlands .....	256	635	91	174
U.S.A. .....	5,107	1,079	1,774	280
Other canned fish .....	37	71	8	20
SHELLFISH, total .....	7,030	7,552	4,829	4,433
Clams, in shell and shucked .....	700	863	90	87
In shell .....	629	796	31	38
Shucked .....	71	67	59	49
Lobster, fresh or frozen .....	5,717	6,112	4,324	3,837
U.S.A. .....	5,717	6,112	4,324	3,837
Other shellfish, fresh, frozen or dried ....	519	341	242	123
Lobster, canned .....	67	169	155	353
United Kingdom .....	8	11	19	26
Belgium .....	3	3	7	5
U.S.A. .....	44	136	102	287
Other shellfish, canned .....	27	67	18	33
MISCELLANEOUS, total .....	..	..	5,012	4,235
Meal, total .....	39,517	35,420	2,921	2,666
Herring and other sea fish .....	38,485	34,199	2,858	2,603
Whale (incl. guano) .....	1,032	1,221	63	63
Oils, total ..... in gallons	1,134,602	1,242,758	1,024	978
Pharmaceutical .....	5,744	8,254	14	13
Cod liver, crude .....	29,215	18,390	31	18
Cod liver, sun rotted .....	18,878	353,703	177	262
Herring, industrial .....	830,442	762,091	701	585
Seal .....	-	15,392	-	10
Whale .....	82,430	83,128	100	79
Other oil .....	893	1,699	1	11
Seaweeds .....	..	..	133	121
Solubles .....	1,966	5,030	73	234
Seal skins .....	no.	3,475	39	12
Other products .....	..	..	822	224

Table 8 - Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices of Fishery Products and Relevant Series

Date	Fishery Products Wholesale	Meat Fresh Wholesale	Fowl Dressed Wholesale	Salaries Industrial Composite	Consumer Price Index		
					Canada	U.S.A.	U.K.
	1935-1939 =100	1935-1939 =100	1935-1939 =100	1949 = 100	1949 = 100	1947-1949 =100	Jan. 15 1952 =100
1950 Average .....	260.7	337.7	199.3	106.0	102.9	102.8	86.0
1951 Average .....	283.3	423.1	262.0	125.6	113.7	110.0	94.0
1952 Average .....	279.8	343.6	194.5	140.3	116.5	113.5	102.6
1953 Average .....	259.0	292.5	220.1	151.5	115.5	115.5	105.8
1954 Average .....	260.4	283.9	164.7	151.3	116.2	114.8	107.7
1955 Average .....	273.9	271.2	189.5	160.2	116.4	114.5	112.6
1955 April .....	285.6	274.3	192.8	150.0	116.1	114.2	110.8
May .....	258.6	282.8	195.8	153.1	116.4	114.2	110.6
June .....	258.4	290.3	201.8	158.8	115.9	114.4	112.9
July .....	258.4	283.7	210.8	164.1	116.0	114.7	113.3
August .....	261.6	278.3	201.8	166.0	116.4	114.5	112.5
September .....	273.9	276.2	192.8	169.0	116.8	114.9	113.2
October .....	277.4	261.3	180.7	170.4	116.9	114.9	114.4
November .....	280.6	248.7	198.8	171.4	116.9	115.0	116.2
December .....	292.4	244.8	198.8	170.9	116.9	114.7	116.2
1956 January .....	293.1	242.1	210.8	162.2	116.8	114.6	100.0
February .....	292.4	239.1	198.8	164.0	116.4	114.6	100.0
March .....	308.9	236.4	204.8	167.0	116.4	114.7	101.3
April .....	300.1	240.1	210.8	170.7	116.6	114.9	102.7

1) New base - January 17, 1956 = 100.0

Table 9 - Prices Received by Fishermen

Species and Port	1956	1955	Species and Port	1956	1955
	\$ per lb.	\$ per lb.		\$ per lb.	\$ per lb.
Cod, market:			Swordfish:		
Halifax, N.S., offshore .....	3 1/2	3 1/4	Louisbourg, N.S., offshore ....	-	-
Lockeport, N.S., offshore .....	3 1/2	3-3 1/4	Halifax, N.S., offshore ....	-	-
Louisbourg, N.S., offshore ....	2 1 1/4-3 1/4	3 1/4	North Sydney, N.S., offshore ..	-	-
Souris, P.E.I. ....	3	3	Lobster, market:		
Caraquet, N.B., ungraded .....	2 3/4	3 1/4	Yarmouth, N.S. ....	35	35-40
Paspébiac, Que., ungraded .....	-	-	Petit de Grat, N.E. ....	33	35
St. John's, Nfld., ungraded ...	2 1/4	2 1/4	Grand Manan, N.B. ....	45	40
Haddock, large:			Richibucto, N.B. ....	-	-
Halifax, N.S., offshore .....	4 - 5	4	Souris, P.E.I. ....	28	28
Louisbourg, N.S., offshore ....	4 - 4 1/2	4	House Harbour, Mag. Is., Que. .	-	-
St. John's, Nfld., ungraded ...	-	3	Curling, Nfld. ....	-	-
Rosefish (Ocean Perch):			Scallop:		
Halifax, N.S., offshore .....	2 1/2	2 1/2	Digby, N.S. ....	35	38
Louisbourg, N.S., offshore ....	2 1/4	2 1/4	Halifax, N.S. ....	-	-
Ramea, Nfld., ungraded .....	.2 1/4	2 1/4	Oyster:		
Flounders:			Summerside, P.E.I. ....	-	-
Halifax, N.S., offshore .....	3 1/2	3 1/2	Shippegan, N.B. ....	-	-
Louisbourg, N.S. ....	3 - 3 1/4	3 1/4-3 1/2	Salmon, Red Spring:		
Souris, P.E.I. ....	3	3 1/2	Vancouver, dressed .....	37	35
Caraquet, N.B. ....	3.2	3 1/2	Salmon, White Spring:		
Ramea, Nfld., ungraded .....	2 3/4	2 3/4	Vancouver, dressed .....	22	25
Herring:			Soles:		
Yarmouth, N.S. ....	-	-	Prince Rupert .....	3-4	3-4
Black's Harbour, N.B. ....	-	-	Lingcod:		
Richibucto, N.B. ....	1	1/2	Vancouver .....	8	10
Sardines:					
Black's Harbour, N.B. ....	2 1/2	-			
Mackerel:					
Halifax, N.S. ....	-	-			
Cheticamp, N.S. ....	-	-			
House Harbour, Mag. Is., Que. .	-	-			
Smelt:					
Summerside, P.E.I. ....	-	-			
Chatham, N.B. ....	-	-			

Table 10 - Wholesale Prices at May 15, 1956.

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Product	unit	Halifax	Montreal	Toronto	Winnipeg	Vancouver
ATLANTIC		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cod fillets, fresh, unwrapped .....	lb.	.208	.261	.291	-	-
Cod fillets, frozen, cello 5's .....	"	.199	.244	.248	.267	-
Cod fillets, smoked .....	"	.250	.316	.335	.347	-
Halibut, fresh or frozen, 10-40 lb. ....	"	-	.380	-	-	-
Haddock fillets, fresh, unwrapped .....	"	.288	.349	.373	-	-
Herring, kippered, domestic .....	"	.185	.251	.259	.277	-
Mackerel, frozen, round .....	"	-	.148	.177	-	-
Smelts, frozen, No. 1 .....	"	-	.290	.231	-	-
ATLANTIC CANNED						
Lobster, Fancy Grade ..... cs.	48- $\frac{1}{2}$ s	37.27	-	-	39.23	-
Sardines, not smoked, in vegetable oil "	100- $\frac{1}{2}$ s	8.89	8.75	8.65	9.14	-
PACIFIC						
Halibut, frozen, 10-40 lb., headless and dressed .....	lb.	-	.379	.385	-	.272
Silverbright, frozen, headless & dressed ..	"	-	.504	.468	-	.357
Coho, frozen, headless and dressed .....	"	-	.599	.587	-	.488
Lingcod, fresh .....	"	-	-	-	-	.165
PACIFIC CANNED						
Sockeye, Grade A ..... cs.	48- $\frac{1}{2}$ s	22.19	21.31	21.35	21.41	20.32
Pink, Grade A ..... "	"	12.09	11.48	11.55	11.57	10.73
INLAND						
Whitefish, fresh .....	lb.	-	.482	.525	-	-
Whitefish, frozen .....	"	-	.287	.281	.223	-
Lake Trout, fresh .....	"	-	.538	.544	-	-
Lake Trout, frozen .....	"	-	.418	.353	.337	-

Table 11 - Retail Prices May 1, 1956.

Product	unit	Halifax	Montreal	Toronto	Vancouver
ATLANTIC		\$	\$	\$	\$
Cod fillets, fresh, unwrapped .....	lb.	.308	-	.459	-
Cod fillets, frozen, packaged .....	"	-	-	.295	-
Cod fillets, smoked .....	"	.368	.470	.524	.532
Finnan Haddie .....	"	.438	.490	.532	.532
Haddock fillets, fresh .....	"	.44	.520	.591	-
Herring, kippered .....	"	.292	.322	.372	.373
Mackerel, frozen .....	"	-	.330	.333	-
Smelts, frozen, No. 1 .....	"	-	.442	.467	-
Salmon steak, fresh or frozen .....	"	-	.727	-	-
ATLANTIC CANNED					
Lobster, Fancy Grade ..... tin	5 oz.	.876	.890	.828	.935
Sardines, not smoked, in oil .....	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	.096	.091	.089	.098
PACIFIC					
Coho steak, fresh or frozen .....	lb.	.817	.732	.834	-
Spring steak, fresh or frozen .....	"	-	-	.960	-
Silverbright steak, fresh or frozen .....	"	-	-	.610	-
Lingcod, fresh .....	"	-	-	-	.345
Halibut steak, fresh .....	"	Atl. .606	.693	-	-
Halibut steak, frozen .....	"	-	.647	.667	-
PACIFIC CANNED					
Sockeye, Grade A ..... tin	8 oz.	.531	.477	.480	.478
Pink, Fancy Grade .....	"	.280	.264	.269	.251
INLAND					
Whitefish, fresh .....	lb.	-	-	.666	-
Whitefish, frozen .....	"	-	-	-	-
Lake Trout, fresh .....	"	-	-	.770	-
Yellow Pickerel, fresh .....	"	-	-	-	-

## LA PECHE AU CANADA - MAI 1956

### CANADA

En mai, les débarquements de poisson de mer se sont élevés à 144,328,000 livres, soit 12 p. 100 de moins qu'en mai 1955 (164,147,000 livres). Leur valeur a atteint \$9,441,000, soit 2 p. 100 de plus qu'en mai 1955 (\$9,219,000).

Durant les cinq premiers mois de cette année, la valeur de la pêche a augmenté de 20 p. 100 par rapport à la valeur correspondante de 1955 (\$24,107,000 contre \$20,062,000).

### PACIFIQUE

En mai, la valeur débarquée du poisson pêché au large de la côte du Pacifique a atteint \$1,670,000 contre \$1,475,000 en mai 1955. Les débarquements de flétan ont considérablement diminué en mai; cette année, la pêche n'a toutefois commencé que vers le 20, tandis qu'en 1955 elle avait commencé le 12 du mois.

Quant à la valeur du saumon pêché (\$415,000), elle a été de 46 p. 100 supérieure à celle de mai 1955. Cette augmentation n'a pas été seulement due à des débarquements accrus de la pêche à la ligne traînante mais aussi à des prix unitaires plus élevés.

### ATLANTIQUE

Au cours du mois de mai, on a débarqué du poisson sur notre côte de l'Atlantique pour une valeur de \$7,771,000. Au cours du même mois de l'an dernier, la valeur de la pêche a atteint \$7,744,000.

Durant les cinq premiers mois de l'année 1956, la valeur totale de la pêche sur la côte de l'Atlantique a atteint \$16,867,000, soit 4 p. 100 de plus que la valeur atteinte au cours de la période correspondante de 1955 (\$16,228,000). Exception faite pour les chèvres et les silures, les débarquements de poissons de fond sont plus élevés cette année. Quant à la pêche des homards, si la quantité en a légèrement diminué par rapport à l'année dernière, sa valeur a légèrement augmenté.

### STOCKS

Au 31 mai, les stocks de poisson congelé s'élevaient à 38,336,000 livres, dont 35,358,000 de frais et 2,978,000 de fumé. Les stocks totaux ont été de 13 p. 100 ou de 4,085,000 livres de plus que ceux du 30 avril, et pour ce qui est du frais; pour ce qui est du fumé, ils ont diminué de 112,000 livres, soit 4 p. 100. Si on les compare aux stocks de la fin de mai 1955, les stocks courants de poisson frais congelé, étaient de 9,951,000 livres (39 p. 100) supérieurs et ceux de poisson fumé congelé de 320,000 livres (12 p. 100).

### EXPORTATIONS

Les exportations de poisson canadien et de produits du poisson ont atteint \$38,435,000, soit 4 p. 100 de plus que les \$37,102,000 atteints au cours de la période correspondante de l'an dernier. Dans toutes les catégories, les ventes sont en augmentation, sauf pour le poisson en boîte (diminution de 10 p. 100) et pour le poisson salé (diminution de 8 p. 100).

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