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PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE FISHERIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK, 1927

The following preliminary report on the fisheries of New Brunswick is issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Department of Marine and Fisheries.

PRODUCTION

The value of production of the fisheries of New Brunswick for the year 1927 was \$4,406,602, compared with \$5,325,478 in 1926. These figures represent the value of the fish marketed, whether sold for consumption fresh, or canned, cured or otherwise prepared. The sardine and lobster fisheries are of chief importance in New Brunswick, the former having a marketed value in 1927 of \$1,046,250, and the latter of \$955,053. Compared with the preceding year, a decrease of \$126,240 is shown in the value of output of the sardine fishery and of \$180,611 in the value of the lobster fishery. Of the other principal kinds of fish, smelts, salmon, herring, cod, haddock and alewives show decreases in marketed value, while clams and quahaugs, oysters and tom cod show increased value of production.

Statistics of the catch and the form in which marketed are shown for the years 1926 and 1927 in table 1, while table 2 gives the quantity caught and the total value marketed for the principal kinds of fish in the years 1923 to 1927, and table 3, the total value of the fisheries for a period of years.

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND EMPLOYEES

PRIMARY OPERATIONS:

Capital.— The value of the vessels, boats, nets, traps, piers and wharves, etc., employed in the primary operations of catching and landing the fish in 1927 was \$3,899,812, compared with \$3,841,518 in 1926.

Employees.— The number of men engaged in these operations was 10,198 in 1927 and 9,024 in 1926.

FISH CANNING AND CURING ESTABLISHMENTS:

Capital.— The capital investment of the fish canning and curing establishments in 1927 was valued at \$1,624,876, compared with \$1,527,594 in 1926. The number of establishments in operation was 172, a decrease of 18 from the preceding year. The lobster canneries in operation numbered 124, a decrease of 4, the number of clam canneries 7, an increase of 1, the number of sardine canneries, 2 in each year, the number of fish curing establishments 34, a decrease of 17, and the number of reduction plants, 5, an increase of 2.

Employees.— The number of persons employed in the establishments was 2,166 in 1927, compared with 2,414 in 1926.

Statistics of capital and employees are given in tables 4 and 5.





1. Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Marketed, New Brunswick, 1926 and 1927.

Kind		Sea Fisheries			
		1926		1927	
		Quantity	Value \$	Quantity	Value \$
Cod, caught	Cwt.	201,425	330,727	136,773	211,442
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	24,973	107,195	13,599	50,349
Fresh fillets	"	-	-	603	2,884
Green-salted	"	19,078	75,608	10,049	41,162
Smoked fillets	"	148	1,488	163	1,879
Dried	"	45,846	285,930	33,720	169,548
Boneless	"	204	2,067	166	1,669
Cod liver oil, medicinal	Gal.	5,360	4,652	12,489	12,226
Cod oil	"	4,510	1,830	14,294	4,945
Total value marketed			478,770		284,662
Haddock, caught	Cwt.	35,038	60,837	33,834	61,400
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	21,019	61,326	24,547	56,009
Smoked	"	28	282	324	3,043
Green-salted	"	4,348	7,958	862	2,584
Dried	"	1,747	6,914	2,436	11,288
Total value marketed			76,480		72,924
Hake and Cusk, caught	Cwt.	43,818	26,952	45,759	24,704
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	1,482	5,580	637	744
Green-salted	"	14,813	21,634	12,515	26,824
Smoked fillets	"	-	-	30	390
Dried	"	4,279	15,643	6,322	30,202
Boneless	"	311	2,247	288	2,142
Total value marketed			45,104		60,302
Pollock, caught	Cwt.	38,271	31,994	7,693	9,525
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	5,100	3,219	164	174
Green-salted	"	6,020	11,441	2,350	8,039
Dried	"	7,179	32,525	917	6,059
Total value marketed			47,185		14,272
Halibut, caught	Cwt.	198	2,676	101	1,912
Marketed fresh	"	198	2,843	101	1,912
Flounders, brill, plaice, etc. caught	Cwt.	1,857	4,103	1,188	2,605
Marketed fresh	"	1,857	5,868	1,188	3,802
Skate, caught	Cwt.	181	263	157	234
Marketed fresh	"	181	480	157	431
Herring, caught	Cwt.	422,897	260,982	412,833	249,328
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	47,189	38,231	95,419	60,504
Boneless	"	1,000	8,000	-	-
Canned	Cases	17,021	76,594	9,216	39,871
Smoked	Cwt.	101,112	281,983	17,613	50,753
Pickled	Bbl.	4,046	25,639	6,918	31,619
Used as bait	"	26,486	51,576	37,396	65,239
Fertilizer	"	49,032	47,172	89,320	92,798
Meal	Ton	-	-	587	23,500
Oil	Gal.	-	-	23,320	8,051
Scales	Cwt.	-	-	1,820	7,281
Total value marketed			529,195		379,616





1. Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Marketed,  
New Brunswick, 1926 and 1927 - con.

Kind		Sea Fisheries			
		1926		1927	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Mackerel, caught	Cwt.	19,088	\$ 42,277	9,271	\$ 15,457
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	19,150	64,948	8,656	28,253
Salted	Bbl.	20	240	205	2,050
Total value marketed		-	65,188	-	30,303
Sardines, caught	Bbl.	171,637	256,728	174,640	202,346
Marketed -					
Canned	Cases	217,592	980,474	240,091	888,336
Sold fresh and salted	Bbl.	122,670	192,016	116,640	157,914
Total value marketed		-	1,172,490	-	1,046,250
Alewives, caught	Cwt.	52,117	50,458	39,434	33,496
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	5,342	10,004	5,062	6,376
Smoked	"	8,988	51,107	2,106	8,553
Salted	Bbl.	9,332	52,942	10,842	48,464
Used as bait	"	400	400	-	-
Total value marketed		-	114,453	-	63,393
Bass, caught	Cwt.	426	4,701	482	4,213
Marketed fresh	"	426	6,590	482	9,338
Perch, caught	Cwt.	4	12	3	9
Marketed fresh	"	4	24	3	18
Salmon, caught	Cwt.	24,579	321,685	22,086	295,053
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	24,561	394,297	22,086	405,030
Canned	Cases	25	300	-	-
Total value marketed		-	394,597	-	405,030
Shad, caught	Cwt.	4,533	33,896	2,729	19,889
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	4,453	43,227	2,714	26,062
Salted	Bbl.	32	1,269	6	132
Total value marketed		-	44,496	-	26,194
Smelts, caught	Cwt.	59,400	469,399	46,184	434,548
Marketed fresh	"	59,400	850,913	46,184	686,164
Trout, caught	Cwt.	137	2,040	172	3,998
Marketed fresh	"	137	2,040	172	3,998
Caplin, caught	Bbl.	60	60	-	-
Marketed fresh	"	60	60	-	-
Eels, caught	Cwt.	119	828	32	300
Marketed fresh	"	119	894	32	300
Squid, caught	Bbl.	25	50	-	-
Used as bait	"	25	50	-	-
Tom cod, caught	Cwt.	17,079	25,427	20,246	35,935
Marketed fresh	"	17,079	61,242	20,246	91,979
Mixed fish, caught	Cwt.	51	51	733	630
Marketed fresh	"	51	51	733	630
Clams and quahaugs, caught	Bbl.	27,278	42,782	33,197	52,354
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Bbl.	10,985	33,778	9,595	16,319
Canned	Cases	16,137	77,584	22,692	114,379
Total value marketed		-	111,362	-	130,698
Cockles, caught	Cwt.	76	341	143	500
Marketed fresh	"	76	418	143	429





1. Quantity and Value of Fish caught and marketed,  
New Brunswick, 1926 and 1927. - Con.

		Sea Fisheries			
		1926		1927	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
			\$		\$
Lobsters, caught	Cwt.	59,611	797,819	49,752	694,212
Marketed -					
In shell	Cwt.	15,861	443,527	16,162	431,870
Canned	Cases	24,041	691,522	18,866	522,162
Tomalley	"	57	615	103	1,021
Total value marketed		-	1,135,654	-	955,053
Oysters, caught	Bbl.	12,383	68,219	13,574	78,093
Marketed fresh	"	12,383	92,535	13,574	100,576
Scallops, caught	Bbl.	560	1,792	-	-
Marketed fresh	Gal.	1,120	1,792	-	-
Tongues and sounds, pickled or dried	Cwt.	759	8,885	40	131
Winkles, caught	Cwt.	1,409	3,750	520	1,099
Marketed fresh	"	1,409	3,903	520	1,231
Dulse, green	Cwt.	5,186	5,000	2,870	4,550
Marketed dried	"	1,060	13,780	650	7,040
Miscellaneous products -					
Fish oil, n.e.s.	Gal.	27,313	9,645	4,725	1,920
Fish fertilizer, n.e.s.	Ton	590	11,800	121	1,474
Fish skins and bones	Cwt.	180	275	190	295
Other products		-	5,476	-	2,655
Total value Sea Fisheries -					
Caught and landed		-	2,845,889	-	2,437,832
Marketed		-	5,294,548	-	4,383,019
		Inland Fisheries			
Alewives, caught	Cwt.	758	2,274	660	1,980
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	356	1,068	264	792
Salted	Bbl.	134	1,206	132	1,188
Total value marketed		-	2,274	-	1,980
Bass, caught	Cwt.	212	3,316	12	216
Marketed fresh	"	212	3,316	12	216
Eels, caught	Cwt.	30	114	125	500
Marketed fresh	"	30	114	125	500
Mulletts, caught	Cwt.	224	672	255	1,005
Marketed fresh	"	224	672	255	1,005
Perch, caught	Cwt.	15	45	28	140
Marketed fresh	"	15	45	28	140
Pickarel, caught	Cwt.	368	4,416	480	5,560
Marketed fresh	"	368	4,416	480	5,560
Salmon, caught	Cwt.	552	13,800	378	9,250
Marketed fresh	"	552	13,800	378	9,250
Shad, caught	Cwt.	720	4,320	674	4,044
Marketed fresh	"	720	4,320	674	4,044
Sturgeon, caught	Cwt.	57	1,425	24	528
Marketed -					
Used fresh	Cwt.	57	1,425	24	528
Caviar	Lb.	96	48	-	-
Total value marketed		-	1,473	-	528
Whitefish, caught	Cwt.	-	-	35	360
Marketed fresh	"	-	-	35	360
Total Value Inland Fisheries -					
Caught		-	30,882	-	23,583
Marketed		-	30,930	-	23,583
Total value All Fish -					
Caught		-	2,876,771	-	2,461,415
Marketed		-	5,325,478	-	4,406,602



2. Quantity<sup>1</sup> and Value<sup>2</sup> of Chief Commercial Fishes,  
New Brunswick, 1923 - 1927.

Kind		1923	1924	1925	1926	1927
Sardines	Bbl.	134,494	269,643	158,259	171,637	174,640
	\$	1,016,655	1,241,508	1,016,325	1,172,490	1,046,250
Lobsters	Cwt.	73,688	68,303	65,894	59,611	49,752
	\$	1,339,155	1,203,564	1,069,722	1,135,664	955,053
Smelts	Cwt.	43,210	63,975	46,692	59,400	46,184
	\$	582,203	844,730	718,149	850,913	686,164
Salmon	Cwt.	20,682	33,563	30,073	25,131	22,464
	\$	250,838	425,800	428,558	408,397	414,280
Herring	Cwt.	251,100	333,530	372,710	422,897	412,833
	\$	270,863	367,037	385,354	529,195	379,618
Cod	Cwt.	286,571	259,166	205,544	201,425	136,773
	\$	585,314	643,321	512,013	478,770	284,662
Clams and Quahaugs	Bbl.	22,645	33,444	19,496	27,278	33,197
	\$	103,923	137,099	88,426	111,362	130,698
Oysters	Bbl.	14,574	17,201	12,038	12,383	13,574
	\$	67,123	103,040	88,693	92,535	100,576
Tom cod	Cwt.	10,873	13,375	13,056	17,079	20,246
	\$	31,587	50,209	41,517	61,242	91,979
Haddock	Cwt.	6,715	16,638	18,186	35,038	33,834
	\$	14,782	37,039	32,546	76,480	72,924
Alewives	Cwt.	44,010	21,298	34,879	52,875	40,094
	\$	67,911	40,499	65,295	116,727	65,373

1/ Quantity caught

2/ Value marketed





3. Value of the Fisheries of New Brunswick, 1913-1927.

Year	Value	Year	Value
	\$		\$
1918	6,298,990	1923	4,542,535
1919	4,979,574	1924	5,383,809
1920	4,423,745	1925	4,798,589
1921	3,690,726	1926	5,325,478
1922	4,685,660	1927	4,405,602

4. Capital Equipment, 1926 and 1927.


In Primary Operations	1926		1927	
	No.	Value \$	No.	Value \$
Sailing and gasoline vessels	304	228,400	304	206,950
Sail and row boats	4,969	95,280	5,009	94,750
Gasoline boats	2,338	701,985	2,424	704,265
Carrying smacks	42	49,983	43	47,743
Gill nets, seines, trap nets, etc.	27,700	907,554	27,048	973,753
Weirs	385	573,350	371	559,365
Tubs of trawl	2,324	31,960	2,286	32,480
Eel traps	25	100	-	-
Lines	10,727	10,016	10,586	10,380
Lobster traps	357,261	411,590	374,507	437,116
Fishing piers and wharves	410	133,400	403	132,150
Ice Houses	100	244,100	101	248,500
Small fish and smoke houses	1,238	453,300	1,327	452,360
Total Value	-	3,841,518	-	3,890,812

In Fish Canning and Curing	1926		1927	
	No.	Value \$	No.	Value \$
Lobster canneries	128	367,556	124	388,226
Clam canneries	6)		7)	
Sardine canneries	2)	942,279	2)	1,074,078
Fish curing establishments	51)		34)	145,472
Reduction plants	3)	217,759	5	17,100
Total	190	1,527,594	172	1,624,876

5. Number of Employees, New Brunswick, 1926 and 1927.

	1926	1927
	No.	No.
In Primary Operations	9,024	10,198
In fish canning and curing establishments	2,414	2,166
Total	11,438	12,364

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