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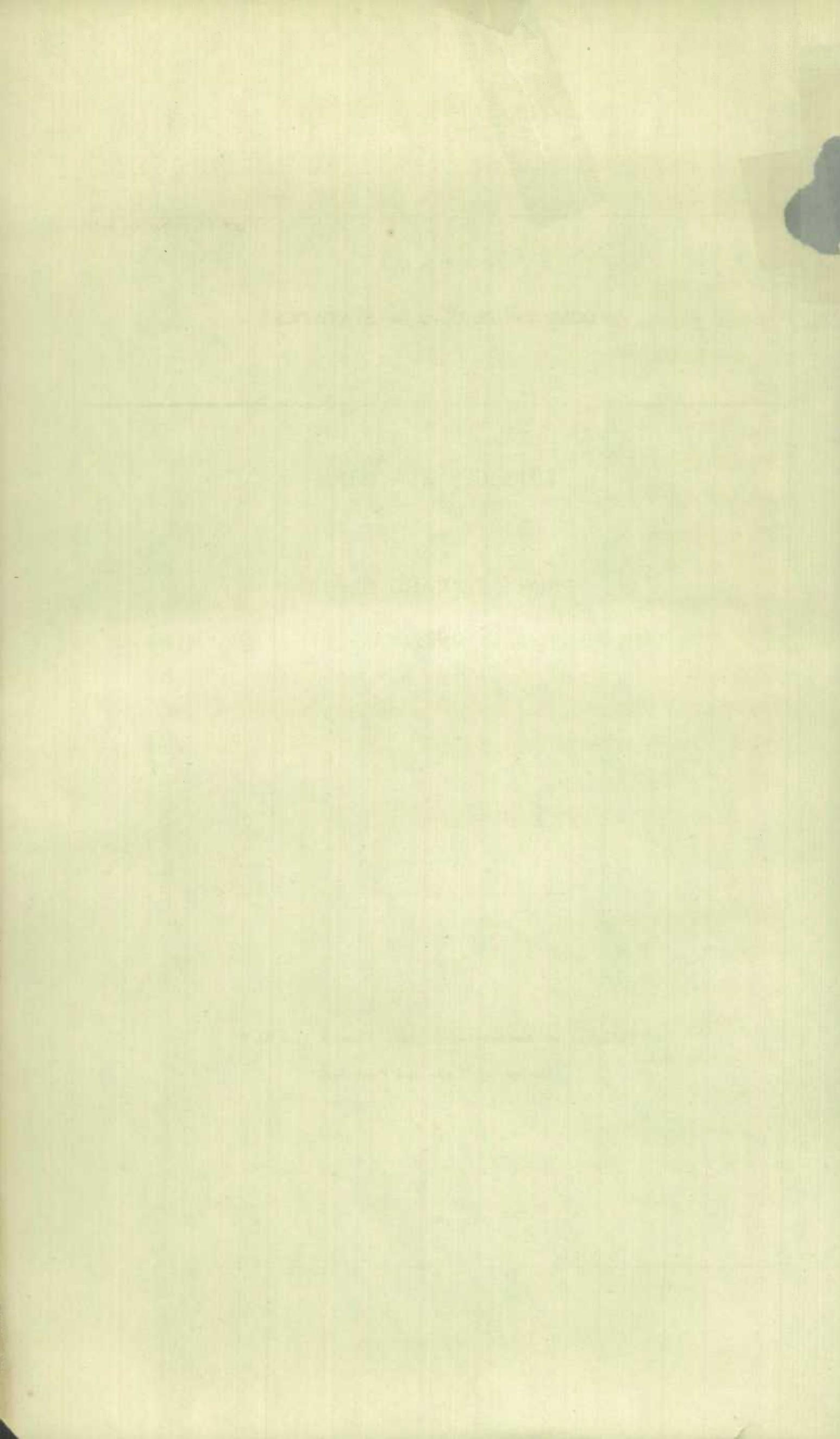
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THE FISHERIES OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1923.

The following preliminary statement of the Fisheries of Prince Edward Island is today 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 Prince Edward Island in 1923 was \$1,754,366, an increase over the previous year of \$142,267 or nine per cent. Lobstering is the chief industry of the fisheries of the province, the value in 1923 of the lobster pack and of lobsters shipped in shell amounting to \$1,405,906, or 80 per cent of the total value of the fisheries production for that year. The lobster pack amounted to 43,831 cases, valued at \$1,278,945, an average of \$29 a case. The value of lobsters marketed in the shell was \$125,647, and of tomalley, \$1,314. The smelt fishery is next in importance to lobstering. The value in 1923 of smelts marketed fresh was \$121,233.

Capital Equipment and Employees.

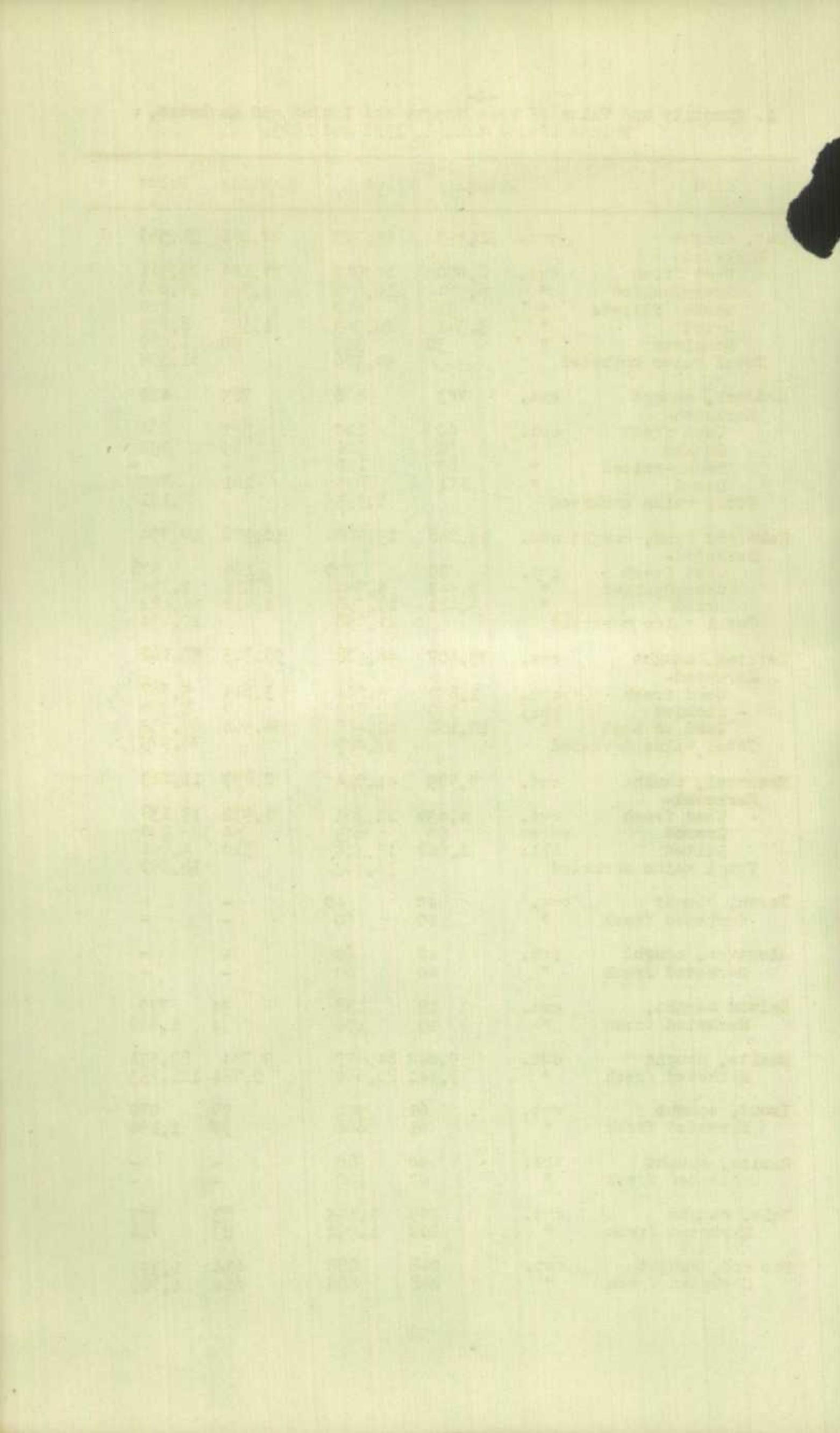
Primary Operations. - The amount of capital represented in the vessels, boats, nets, traps, piers and wharves, etc. engaged in the primary operations of catching and landing the fish was \$923,223, compared with \$779,816 in 1922, and the number of men employed in these operations was 2,503 in 1923 and 2,201 in 1922.

Fish Canning and Curing Establishments. - There were 195 lobster canneries, three clam canneries and one fish curing establishment in operation in the province in 1923, compared with 185 lobster canneries and one fish curing establishment in the previous year. The capital investment of the establishments in 1923 was valued at \$355,258, and the employees numbered 2,083.



1. Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Landed and Marketed,  
Prince Edward Island, 1922 and 1923.

Kind		1922		1923	
		Quantity	Value \$	Quantity	Value \$
Cod, caught	cwt.	31,493	44,069	27,291	31,563
Marketed-					
Used fresh	cwt.	3,070	15,919	11,126	23,311
Green-salted	"	6,564	16,872	5,745	27,650
Smoked fillets	"	51	612	60	720
Dried	"	3,341	20,543	1,393	8,624
Boneless	"	30	360	90	1,080
Total value marketed			54,306		61,395
Haddock, caught	cwt.	753	876	785	414
Marketed-					
Used fresh	cwt.	60	120	332	664
Smoked	"	30	300	75	750
Green-salted	"	60	120	-	-
Dried	"	171	855	101	707
Total value marketed			1,375		2,121
Hake and cusk, caught	cwt.	15,743	15,960	10,975	10,794
Marketed-					
Used fresh	cwt.	220	220	164	328
Green-salted	"	2,542	5,740	2,831	9,324
Dried	"	3,481	15,798	1,717	11,122
Total value marketed			21,753		20,774
Herring, caught	cwt.	39,407	48,528	53,313	59,162
Marketed-					
Used fresh	cwt.	1,850	3,224	3,614	5,767
Pickled	bbl.	399	2,358	197	1,576
Used as bait	"	18,180	43,407	24,501	69,632
Total value marketed			49,429		76,975
Mackerel, caught	cwt.	7,729	41,014	2,899	11,213
Marketed-					
Used fresh	cwt.	4,434	22,303	1,932	13,138
Canned	cases	90	645	54	270
Salted	bbl.	1,087	13,315	310	4,501
Total value marketed			36,263		18,009
Perch, caught	cwt.	40	40	-	-
Marketed fresh	"	40	60	-	-
Alewives, caught	cwt.	40	40	-	-
Marketed fresh	"	40	60	-	-
Salmon caught,	cwt.	19	138	34	730
Marketed fresh	"	19	190	34	1,020
Smelts, caught	cwt.	9,442	64,879	9,784	83,551
Marketed fresh	"	9,442	85,660	9,784	121,233
Trout, caught	cwt.	61	508	97	970
Marketed fresh	"	61	666	97	1,164
Caplin, caught	bbl.	40	80	-	-
Marketed fresh	"	40	100	-	-
Dels, caught	cwt.	209	1,195	83	555
Marketed fresh	"	209	1,292	83	724
Tom cod, caught	cwt.	248	888	614	1,393
Marketed fresh	"	248	883	614	1,709



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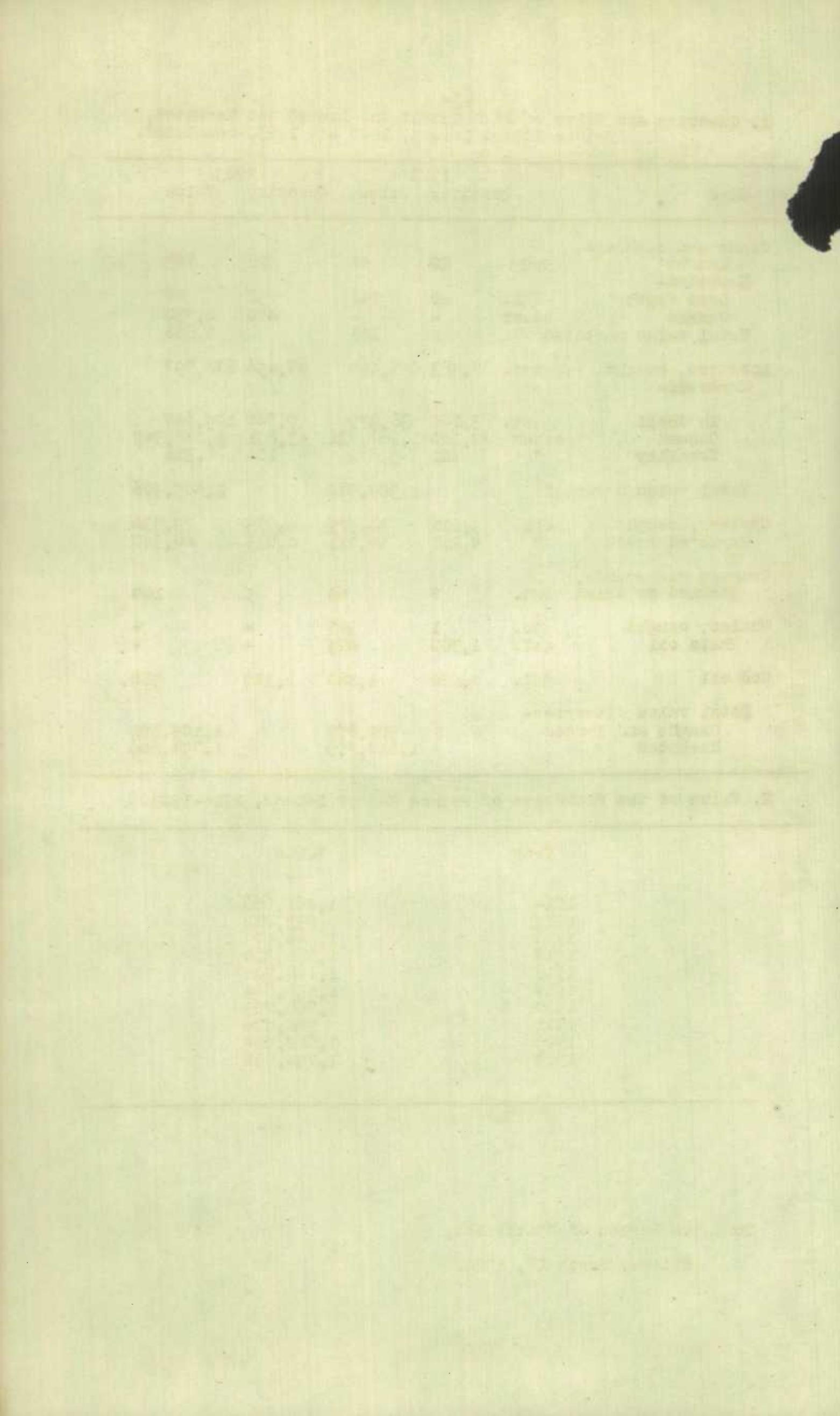
Kind	1922			1923		
	Quantity	Value	\$	Quantity	Value	\$
Clams and quahogs, caught	bbls.	20	40	508	763	
Marketeted-						
Used fresh	bbl.	20	141	38	76	
Canned	cases	-	-	470	2,730	
Total value marketed			141		2,806	
Lobsters, caught	cwt.	87,583	651,449	97,456	878,797	
Marketeted-						
In shell	cwt.	3,104	38,379	9,740	125,647	
Canned	cases	42,220	1,267,731	43,831	1,278,945	
Tomalley	"	221	3,872	114	1,314	
Total value marketed			1,309,982		1,405,906	
Oysters, caught	bbl.	5,211	34,525	4,035	25,836	
Marketed fresh	"	5,211	46,731	4,035	40,350	
Tongues and scounds, pickled or dried	cwt.	7	63	5	100	
Whales, caught	no.	1	340	-	-	
Whale oil	gal.	1,500	675	-	-	
Cod oil	gal.	4,020	1,180	2,320	580	
Total value fisheries-						
Caught and landed			904,659		1,105,801	
Marketed			1,612,599		1,754,366	

2. Value of the Fisheries of Prince Edward Island, 1914-1923.

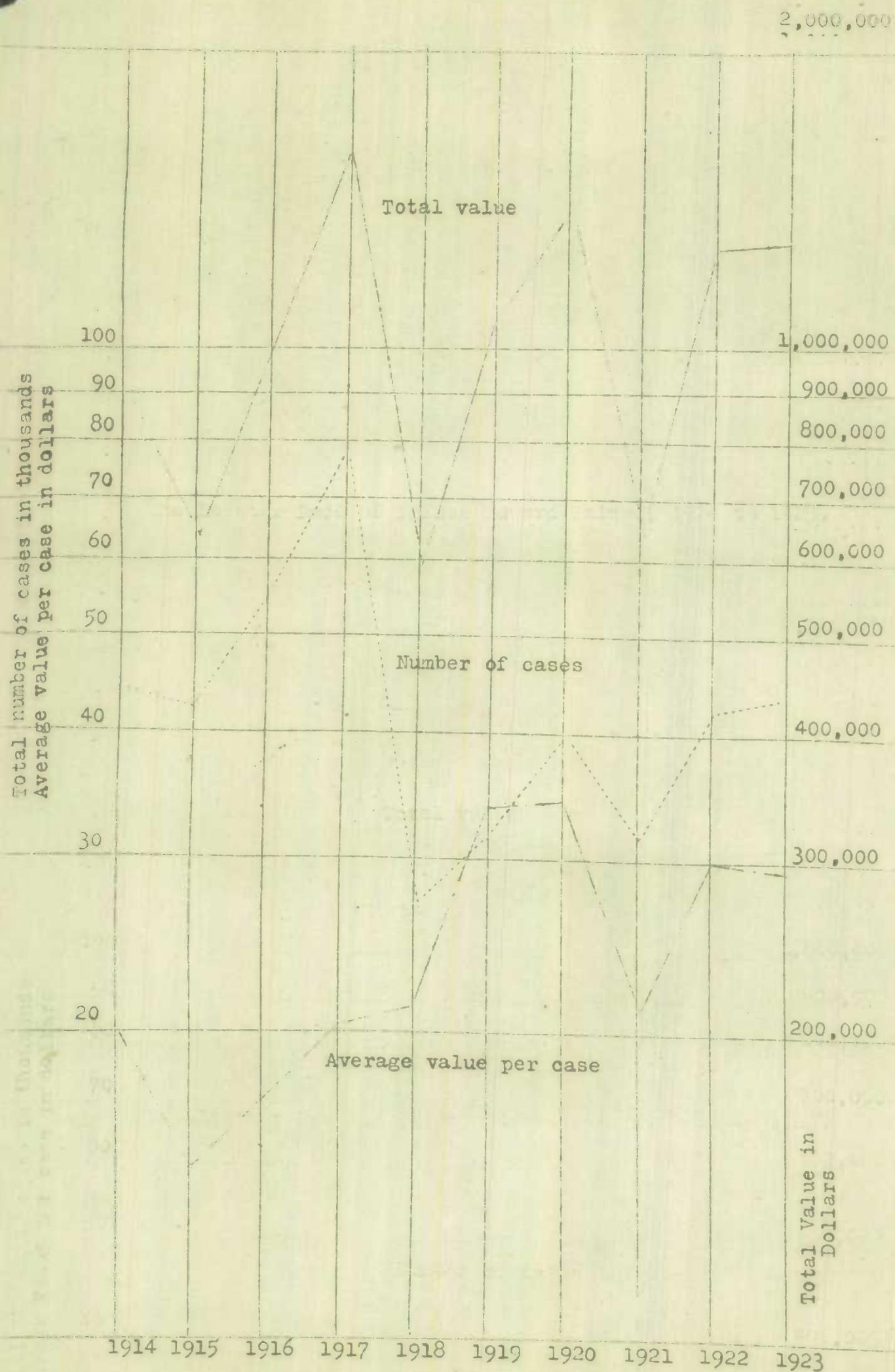
Year	Value
	\$
1914	1,261,666
1915	933,682
1916	1,344,179
1917	1,736,310
1918	1,148,201
1919	1,536,344
1920	1,708,723
1921	224,529
1922	1,612,599
1923	1,754,366

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The Lobster Pack of Prince Edward Island, 1914 to 1923.



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