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ADVANCE REPORT ON THE FISHERIES OF QUEBEC, 1944.

The following report on the fisheries of Quebec for the year 1944 is issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Dominion Department of Fisheries and the Quebec Department of Game and Fisheries.

PRODUCTION

The fisheries production of Quebec was valued at \$5,358,677 in 1944, a decrease of nearly 5 p.c. as compared with 1943. The decrease was due to smaller quantities landed, rather than to lower prices, the total quantity having fallen off by over 12 p.c. The sea fisheries contributed \$4,995,977, or 93 p.c., to the total marketed value, the contribution of the inland fisheries being \$362,700, or 7 p.c. Cod is the chief fish in marketed value, at \$2,811,950, or 52 p.c. of the total, followed by mackerel, at \$572,769, or 10 p.c., and lobsters at \$524,023, or 9 p.c.

The quantity of fish of all kinds, including shell fish, taken by Quebec fishermen during the year totalled 1,008,860 cwt., with a value at the point of landing of \$3,974,495, compared with a catch of 1,148,645 cwt., and a landed value of \$3,879,186 in 1943.

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND EMPLOYEES

Capital. - The capital investment of the fisheries of Quebec in 1944 had a total value of \$4,127,105 of which the value of the vessels, boats, nets, traps, piers and wharves, etc. employed in the primary operations of catching and landing the fish accounted for \$2,170,623 and the amount invested in fish processing establishments, for \$1,956,482.

Employees. - The fisheries industry of the province furnished employment during the year to a total of 10,227 persons, of which 8,420 are classified as fishermen and 1,807 as employees of fish processing establishments. This was a decrease of 1,268 fishermen and an increase of 189 persons in the processing establishments.

QUEBEC FISHERIES

1. - Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Marketed, 1943 and 1944.

Kind of Fish		Sea Fisheries			
		1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
			\$		\$
Cod, caught and landed	cwt.	552,040	2,022,358	495,798	1,866,766
Cod livers, landed	cwt.	18,906	46,651	33,995	62,987
Cod tongues, landed	cwt.	-	-	496	4,108
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	13,384	80,907	10,681	65,159
Fresh fillets	cwt.	58,112	1,070,935	80,196	1,418,291
Green salted	cwt.	71,048	617,295	47,414	390,113
Canned	cases	1,953	20,105	7,519	67,368
Smoked	cwt.	50	1,500	-	-
Smoked fillets	cwt.	606	13,123	94	2,291
Dried	cwt.	47,825	675,932	31,648	382,690
Boneless	cwt.	16,785	272,264	7,016	146,578
Livers, canned	cases	160	674	329	2,698
Tongues, canned	cases	224	4,632	70	661
Cod liver meal	ton	426	32,336	153	13,969
Cod liver oil, medicinal	gal.	94,796	304,497	110,904	304,386
Cod liver oil, crude	gal.	21,775	23,101	16,237	17,746
Total value marketed		-	3,117,301	-	2,811,950
Hake, caught and landed	cwt.	2,433	6,742	3,626	17,126
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	49	293	9	51
Fresh fillets	cwt.	804	13,637	668	9,091
Green salted	cwt.	-	-	69	624
Smoked fillets	cwt.	14	242	18	270
Dried	cwt.	25	375	470	6,244
Total value marketed		-	14,547	-	16,280
Halibut, caught and landed	cwt.	566	8,329	1,699	31,407
Halibut livers, landed	cwt.	-	-	307	1,500
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	538	10,489	1,595	30,744
Fresh fillets	cwt.	12	306	-	-
Canned	cases	9	140	62	874
Pickled	cwt.	2	18	2	29
Livers	cwt.	5	424	-	-
Total value marketed		-	11,377	-	31,647
Canadian plaice, caught and landed	cwt.	4,182	14,377	2,826	11,286
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	3,024	22,198	1,883	13,559
Fresh	cwt.	349	8,755	315	6,949
Total value marketed		-	30,953	-	20,508
Skate, caught and landed	cwt.	-	-	39	39
Marketed fresh fillets	cwt.	-	-	13	230

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1. Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Marketed, 1943 and 1944 - Con.

Kind of Fish		Sea Fisheries			
		1943		1944	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Herring, caught and landed	cwt.	386,198	224,698	301,676	233,321
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	40,058	87,710	7,573	21,254
Canned	cases	2,764	16,839	623	2,970
Smoked (round)	cwt.	20,251	177,992	20,116	205,290
Smoked (boneless)	cwt.	10	170	-	-
Kippered	cwt.	23	345	660	9,900
Pickled	bbl.	10,814	103,696	13,702	120,577
Used as bait	bbl.	60,969	84,242	64,312	50,959
Fertilizer	bbl.	72,369	42,242	46,691	23,754
Meal	ton	23	1,624	-	-
Oil	gal.	818	614	-	-
Total value marketed		-	515,474	-	434,704
Mackerel, caught and landed	cwt.	74,989	264,449	85,874	498,381
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	9,270	60,040	4,279	24,938
Fresh fillets	cwt.	12	179	428	5,188
Canned	cases	10,590	89,204	11,662	100,344
Pickled	bbl.	13,164	185,982	14,864	246,620
Fillets, salted	bbl.	3,447	104,961	6,976	195,554
Used as bait	bbl.	179	251	87	125
Total value marketed		-	440,617	-	572,769
Sardines, caught and landed	bbl.	203	1,624	319	1,898
Marketed fresh and salted	bbl.	203	1,624	252	2,117
Salmon, caught and landed	cwt.	9,265	168,885	9,474	200,933
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	7,819	185,513	7,880	178,744
Canned	cases	1,901	30,375	1,222	21,183
Smoked	cwt.	7	388	13	718
Pickled	cwt.	68	538	48	549
Total value marketed		-	216,814	-	201,194
Shad, caught and landed	cwt.	120	470	192	527
Marketed fresh	cwt.	120	693	181	1,110
Smelts, caught and landed	cwt.	7,442	88,078	5,112	65,853
Marketed fresh	cwt.	6,742	110,148	4,703	70,331
Sturgeon, caught and landed	cwt.	10	114	60	506
Marketed fresh	cwt.	10	114	60	506
Trout, caught and landed	cwt.	221	3,923	264	5,801
Marketed					
Used fresh	cwt.	20	232	98	2,508
Canned	cases	290	4,749	237	3,587
Total value marketed		-	4,981	-	6,095

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1. Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Marketed, 1943 and 1944 - con.

Kind of Fish		Sea Fisheries			
		1943		1944	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
			\$		\$
Capelin, launce and silversides, caught and landed	cwt.	6,369	3,265	8,728	8,285
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	6,341	3,477	3,583	2,540
Dried	cwt.	6	70	1,715	5,745
Total value marketed		-	3,547	-	8,285
Eels, caught and landed	cwt.	206	1,816	134	1,380
Marketed fresh	cwt.	206	1,816	134	1,380
Squid, caught and landed	cwt.	3	12	20	20
Used as bait	cwt.	3	12	20	20
Tom cod, caught and landed	cwt.	6,366	25,530	5,804	17,420
Marketed fresh	cwt.	6,366	25,638	5,805	17,433
Mixed fish, caught and landed	cwt.	5,016	32,589	4,500	36,000
Marketed fresh	cwt.	5,016	32,589	4,500	36,000
Clams, caught and landed	cwt.	6,107	11,294	9,418	21,805
Marketed -					
Used fresh	cwt.	3,854	6,424	6,352	9,335
Canned	cases	943	10,773	1,564	16,450
Total value marketed		-	17,197	-	25,785
Lobsters, caught and landed	cwt.	19,085	334,364	24,315	430,597
Marketed -					
In shell	cwt.	6,731	129,168	8,745	165,262
Meat	cwt.	415	31,868	1	100
Canned	cases	5,593	254,650	7,784	349,687
Tomalley	cases	303	9,767	365	8,974
Total value marketed		-	425,453	-	524,023
Scallops, caught and landed	gal.	-	-	600	480
Marketed canned	cases	-	-	30	489
Tongues and Sounds, pickled or dried	cwt.	82	793	287	3,750
Hair seals, caught and landed	No.	12,746	45,132	21,350	90,002
Marketed -					
Skins	No.	12,346	22,038	21,350	64,020
Oil	gal.	41,996	31,856	110,775	92,147
Total value marketed		-	53,894	-	156,167

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Kind of Fish		Sea Fisheries			
		1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Belugas, caught and landed	No.	93	2,342	89	3,367
Marketed -					
Skins	No.	93	744	89	644
Oil	gal.	4,068	1,784	4,645	2,723
Total value marketed		-	2,528	-	3,367
Miscellaneous -					
Fish oil, n.e.s.	gal.	3,978	2,969	-	-
Fish meal	ton	144	12,288	518	36,332
Fish offal	ton	274	823	984	2,045
Fish skins and bones	cwt.	8	25	640	1,883
Other products		-	16,450	-	9,577
Total Value of Sea Fish -					
Caught and landed		-	3,307,042	-	3,611,795
Marketed		-	5,060,665	-	4,995,977
Kind of Fish		Inland Fisheries			
		1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Bass, caught and landed	cwt.	1,165	18,850	601	9,264
Marketed fresh	cwt.	1,165	18,850	601	9,264
Carp, caught and landed	cwt.	4,572	32,004	3,402	25,762
Marketed fresh	cwt.	4,572	32,004	3,402	25,762
Catfish, caught and landed	cwt.	4,166	33,328	4,382	40,084
Marketed fresh	cwt.	4,166	33,328	4,382	40,084
Eels, caught and landed	cwt.	13,870	124,830	6,339	57,059
Marketed fresh	cwt.	13,870	124,830	6,339	57,059
Herring, caught and landed	cwt.	8,500	34,000	8,308	23,632
Marketed fresh	cwt.	8,500	34,000	8,308	23,632
Mixed fish, caught and landed	cwt.	17,094	111,561	11,491	72,306
Marketed fresh	cwt.	17,094	111,561	11,491	72,306
Perch, caught and landed	cwt.	2,016	13,304	2,679	15,234
Marketed fresh	cwt.	2,016	13,304	2,679	15,234
Pickering, caught and landed	cwt.	3,133	48,038	996	14,251
Marketed fresh	cwt.	3,133	48,038	996	14,251
Pike, caught and landed	cwt.	1,895	22,620	2,760	24,941
Marketed fresh	cwt.	1,895	22,620	2,760	24,941

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1. Quantity and Value of Fish Caught and Marketed, 1943 and 1944 - conc.

Kind of Fish		Inland Fisheries			
		1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
			\$		\$
Salmon, Caught and landed	cwt.	800	18,800	34	680
Marketed fresh	cwt.	800	18,800	34	680
Shad, caught and landed	cwt.	2,965	29,650	1,422	11,488
Marketed fresh	cwt.	2,965	29,650	1,422	11,488
Smelts, caught and landed	cwt.	2,250	25,000	720	10,504
Marketed fresh	cwt.	2,250	25,000	720	10,504
Sturgeon, caught and landed	cwt.	2,052	38,484	1,733	31,384
Marketed fresh	cwt.	2,052	38,484	1,733	31,384
Tom cod, caught and landed	cwt.	2,600	13,000	2,664	9,288
Marketed fresh	cwt.	2,600	13,000	2,664	9,288
Whitefish, caught and landed	cwt.	543	8,675	1,072	16,823
Marketed fresh	cwt.	543	8,675	1,072	16,823
Total Value of Inland Fish -					
Caught and landed		-	572,144	-	362,700
Marketed		-	572,144	-	362,700
Total Value of All Fish -					
Caught and landed		-	3,879,186	-	3,974,495
Marketed		-	5,632,809	-	5,358,677

2. Quantity Caught and Value Marketed of the Chief Commercial Fishes, Quebec, 1941-44

Kind of Fish		1941	1942	1943	1944	Increase or decrease 1944 compared with 1943
						Increase + Decrease -
Cod	cwt.	439,766	539,773	552,040	495,798	- 56,242
	\$	1,434,162	2,486,633	3,117,301	2,811,950	- 305,351
Mackerel	cwt.	75,445	78,530	74,989	85,874	+ 10,885
	\$	257,363	320,381	440,617	572,769	+ 132,152
Lobsters	cwt.	18,488	17,795	19,085	24,315	+ 5,230
	\$	186,896	230,399	425,453	524,023	+ 98,570
Herring	cwt.	317,058	392,865	349,698	309,984	- 39,714
	\$	285,932	358,535	549,474	458,336	- 91,138
Salmon	cwt.	14,142	9,862	10,065	9,508	- 557
	\$	198,879	206,508	234,614	201,874	- 32,740

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2. Quantity Caught and Value Marketed of the Chief Commercial Fishes, Quebec, 1941-43 (Concluded)

Kind of Fish		1941	1942	1943	1944	Increase or decrease 1944 compared with 1943	
						Increase +	Decrease -
Smelts	cwt.	10,835	8,287	9,692	5,832	-	3,860
	\$	94,343	101,644	135,148	80,835	-	54,313
Eels	cwt.	10,003	10,360	14,076	6,473	-	7,603
	\$	35,145	43,822	126,646	58,439	-	68,207
Catfish	cwt.	2,680	2,658	4,166	4,382	+	216
	\$	12,245	12,168	33,328	40,084	+	6,756
Sturgeon	cwt.	959	974	2,062	1,793	-	269
	\$	10,521	9,760	38,598	31,890	-	6,708
Halibut	cwt.	2,371	855	566	1,699	+	1,133
	\$	18,439	11,269	11,377	31,647	+	20,270
Clams	cwt.	2,585	4,863	6,107	9,418	+	3,311
	\$	3,050	10,527	17,197	25,785	+	8,588

3. Value of the Fisheries of Quebec, 1925 - 1944

Year	Value	Year	Value
	\$		\$
1925	3,044,919	1935	1,947,259
1926	3,110,964	1936	2,108,404
1927	2,736,450	1937	1,892,036
1928	2,996,614	1938	1,957,279
1929	2,933,339	1939	2,010,953
1930	2,502,998	1940	2,002,053
1931	1,952,894	1941	2,842,041
1932	1,815,544	1942	4,194,092
1933	2,128,471	1943	5,632,809 ^{1/}
1934	2,306,517	1944	5,358,677

^{1/} Revised figure.

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4. Capital Equipment of the Fisheries, 1943 and 1944

In Primary Operations	Sea Fisheries			
	1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
	Number	Value	Number	Value
		\$		\$
Gasoline vessels -				
20 to 40 tons	2	9,300	1	3,000
10 to 20 tons	83	89,850	122	98,400
Boats -				
Sail and row	3,190	99,880	3,206	93,045
Gasoline	2,254	675,715	2,218	700,650
Carrying boats	9	6,000	17	7,300
Cod gill nets	457	11,555	481	12,396
Herring gill nets	8,378	209,755	7,999	199,237
Mackarel gill nets	4,777	96,612	4,695	98,840
Salmon gill nets	722	66,343	718	61,599
Salmon trap or pound nets	139	93,800	117	90,200
Seines	221	36,425	239	36,105
Trap nets, other	139	85,400	195	106,560
Smelt gill nets	1,426	6,116	2,480	10,330
Smelt bag or box nets	236	33,870	222	31,700
Weirs	233	22,860	267	27,340
Tubs of trawl	4,924	86,580	6,064	92,601
Small drag nets	1	40	20	600
Hand lines	12,913	25,646	11,407	23,005
Lobster traps	76,514	81,442	82,236	87,072
Lobster pounds	1	100	1	100
Scallop drags	-	-	4	140
Fishing piers and wharves	268	14,420	279	14,820
Freezers and ice houses	250	45,955	233	53,355
Small fish and smoke houses	1,378	80,631	1,286	81,336
Other gear	-	38,417	-	44,264
Total Value	-	1,916,712	-	1,973,995

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4. Capital Equipment of the Fisheries, 1943 and 1944 - concluded

In Primary Operations	Inland Fisheries			
	1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
	Number	Value	Number	Value
		\$		\$
Barges	-	-	32	4,670
Gasoline and diesel boats	30	5,140	82	15,810
Sail and row boats	947	18,375	955	24,849
Gill nets	130	7,075	328	12,367
Seines	166	3,540	161	5,620
Hoop nets	634	11,775	1,443	19,013
Lines	314	1,845	248	1,095
Weirs	407	49,150	379	92,550
Spears	19	80	25	99
Freezers and ice houses	42	6,000	93	17,005
Small fish and smoke houses	-	-	25	3,550
Total Value	-	102,990	-	196,628

In Fish Processing Establishments	Sea Fisheries			
	1 9 4 3		1 9 4 4	
	Number	Value	Number	Value
		\$		\$
Lobster canneries	9	84,779	11	101,300
Clam cannery	1)	19,700	1)	76,915
Other fish canneries	6)	530,859	7)	835,826
Fish curing establishments	66	93,103	60	942,441
Fresh fish and freezing plants	19	629,928	14)	
Reduction plants	7		5)	
Total	108	1,358,369	98	1,956,482

5. Employees in the Fisheries, Quebec, 1943 and 1944

	1 9 4 3			1 9 4 4		
	Sea	Inland	Total	Sea	Inland	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Men employed on vessels boats, etc.	8,650	1,038	9,688	7,394	1,026	8,420
Persons employed in fish processing establishments	1,618	-	1,618	1,807	-	1,807
Total	10,268	1,038	11,306	9,201	1,026	10,227

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