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1940 PACIFIC SALMON PACK PRELIMINARY FIGURES NOW READY

Canned salmon, packed on the Pacific Coasts of North America and Asia during 1940 (exclusive of the Soviet pack), amounted to 8,855,000 standard cases of 48 1-pound cans, according to a preliminary statement released today by the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior.

Compared with the 1939 pack of 9,759,000 cases, this represents a decrease of 904,000 cases, or 9 percent.

The 1940 production was allocated among the several producing areas as follows: Alaska (southeastern, central and western districts), 5,069,000 cases; Pacific Coast States (Puget Sound, Washington Coast, Columbia River and Oregon Coast districts), 536,000 cases; British Columbia, 1,467,000 cases; Japan (including Japanese production in Siberia and Japan), 1,783,000 cases.

Comprising the total pack were 282,000 cases of chinook or king salmon; 2,039,000 cases of blueback, red, or sockeye; 695,000 cases of silver or coho; 4,218,000 cases of humpback or pink; 1,581,000 cases of chum or keta; and 40,000 cases of steelhead trout.

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