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### NOVEMBER SHIPMENTS OF FLORIDA FISHERY PRODUCTS

Truck shipments of 4,131,000 pounds of fishery products from areas east of Cedar Keys, spread among 31 classifications, were reported during November, according to summaries released today by the Jacksonville Market News office of the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior.

This compares with 4,073,000 pounds, produced or loaded in Florida, and shipped by truck, for a similar period last year.

Of the November 1941 total, 3,093,000 pounds originated on the West Coast of the State and consisted principally of mullet (2,700,000 pounds). Of the total mullet produced (2,922,000 pounds), the bulk was destined for Georgia (1,951,000), South Carolina (418,000 pounds), North Carolina (258,000 pounds), and home consumption.

Shrimp, with an East Coast production of 432,000 pounds (almost all destined for the New York markets), ranked second in output.

Of the total production, 2,290,000 pounds (of which 2,239,000 were salt-water fish and shellfish) went to Georgia; 545,000 pounds (359,000 of which were shellfish) to New York; 181,000 pounds were shipped intra-state; 445,000 pounds went to South Carolina; and 288,000 pounds to North Carolina.

Other items in the summaries show that 42 carloads of fresh fish were shipped by freight during November from Florida to Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Illinois, Missouri, Virginia, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, and 10 carloads of frozen fish (East Coast origin) went to Georgia, Texas, Indiana, Michigan, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts. Three carloads of frozen shrimp, from the East Coast of Florida, were shipped by freight to Michigan, Virginia, and Massachusetts.

Express shipments (of less than carload lots) included a total of 5,357 packages (barrels, boxes, kegs, cartons, and tubs), spread among 6 classifications of fresh and frozen fish and shellfish. The bulk of this item--4,618 barrels and boxes of fresh fish--was destined for western, central, and eastern States of the country.