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FISHING VESSEL LANDINGS DURING 1941, FOR BOSTON, GLOUCESTER, AND PORTLAND.

Up 27 percent in volume and 43 percent in value over totals for the previous year, the 1941 landings of fishery products at the three ports of Portland (Me.), Gloucester and Boston (Mass.) amounted to 473,496,000 pounds worth \$15,351,000 to fishermen, according to Current Fishery Statistics No. 12, released today by the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior. This is in comparison with the 1940 figures of 372,432,000 pounds caught, valued at \$10,765,000.

It is pointed out in the report that, in addition to these totals for 1941 there should also be included 7,252,000 pounds of livers, valued at \$362,000; 604,000 pounds of spawn worth \$22,000; and from the treaty coasts of Newfoundland and Magdalen Islands, 1,012,000 pounds of salted cod (\$32,000), 1,248,000 pounds of salted herring (\$36,000), and 641,000 pounds of salted mackerel (\$22,000).

The 1941 receipts of 299,370,000 pounds valued at \$11,519,000 for Boston, rank that port again highest among the three, and indicate an increase of 46,543,000 pounds, or 18 percent, in volume, and \$2,944,000, or 34 percent, in value.

Responsible for greatest catch and value in the Boston port for last year were 139,054,000 pounds of haddock, worth \$5,806,000; 66,381,000 pounds of cod, worth \$2,385,000; and 24,783,000 pounds of rosefish, worth \$573,000.

Gloucester's 1941 totals of 148,451,000 pounds of fishery products, valued at \$3,291,000, indicate increases of 52,275,000 pounds, or 54 percent, in volume, and \$1,569,000, or 91 percent, in value, over 1940.

Again, Gloucester's rosefish catch of 99,877,000 pounds, worth \$2,008,000 tops all other species, with 14,013,000 pounds of cusk valued at \$378,000, and 9,278,000 pounds of mackerel, worth \$173,000, running second and third, respectively.

Portland accounted for 25,675,000 pounds of fish, valued at \$542,000 - an increase over 1940 of 2,246,000 pounds, or 10 percent in volume, and \$73,000, or 16 percent, in value.

Rosefish, with 14,692,000 pounds, valued at \$250,000; haddock, with 3,270,000 pounds, worth \$107,000; and cod, with 2,261,000 pounds, worth \$73,000, lead all other species at this port for 1941.

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