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LANDINGS BY FISHING VESSELS AT BOSTON, GLOUCESTER, AND PORTLAND DURING MARCH

Approximately 35.4 million pounds of fresh fish, spread among 20 classifications and valued at \$1,262,000, were landed during March by fishing vessels at the three ports of Portland, Maine; and Boston and Gloucester, Massachusetts, according to statistics released today by the Division of Fishery Industries, Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior, in Statistical Bulletin No. 1419.

Compared with the preceding month, this represents an increase of 7.7 million pounds, or 28 percent, in volume, and of \$236,000, or 23 percent, in value. In March 1940 the catch amounted to 24.1 million pounds, valued at \$952,000.

Average price per pound of all species landed during March 1941 amounted to 3.6 cents, compared with 3.9 cents for the same month a year ago.

Boston landings amounted to 26,401,000 pounds, valued at \$1,006,000. Compared with March 1940, when the catch totaled 19,205,000 pounds, worth \$832,000, this represents an increase of 7,196,000 pounds in volume, and \$174,000 in value.

Most abundant species in the Boston landings included: large haddock (8.4 million pounds, valued at \$366,000); large cod (5.7 million pounds, valued at \$188,000); scrod haddock (4.8 million pounds, valued at \$167,000); market cod (2.8 million pounds, valued at \$98,000); rosefish (2.4 million pounds, worth \$71,000); and pollock (1.2 million pounds, at \$38,000).

At Gloucester, the month's catch totaled 7,335,000 pounds, valued at \$208,000. Rosefish, with 5.9 million pounds, worth \$156,000, led all other species.

Landings at Portland during March amounted to 1,692,000 pounds, worth \$47,000. Leading species was rosefish, with 1,236,000 pounds, valued at \$30,000.

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