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MARKETING OUTLOOK FOR FISHERY PRODUCTS ISSUED

Markets for edible fishery products will be generally unsettled during the third quarter of 1952, according to the quarterly outlook report issued today by the Commercial Fisheries Branch of Interior Department's Fish and Wildlife Service.

Liberal market supplies due to large catches, continuing imports and heavy cold storage holdings are forecast for this period of July through September.

The combined production of fish and shellfish is expected to reach the maximum rate for the year during this quarter. More than half the annual volume of by-products, fish oil and fish meal, will be produced and nearly half the annual production of canned fish and shellfish will be processed during these months, according to the report.

A high rate of imports and a low level of exports of fishery products are foreseen.

Stocks of fishery products in cold storage will increase continually during the period, in preparation for the ensuing months of lower production.

The report is the fourteenth of a series and is titled Quarterly Outlook for Marketing Fishery Products, July-September 1952. It was prepared by Ralph Russell, economist for the Commercial Fisheries Branch, and contains 26 pages of text and nearly 40 charts. Approximately 50 individual fishery commodities are discussed, along with the food and fishery situations in general.

For procurement purposes, the report is designated as Fishery Leaflet 336m. Copies may be obtained, without charge, from the Division of Information, Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington 25, D. C.

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