

Haines Borough



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2016 Commercial Fishing and Seafood Processing Facts

Haines Borough is ranked the #81 fishing port in the U.S. by weight and the #101 port by value, with landings of 5.0 million pounds of seafood worth \$7.0 million.⁶

JOBS - FISHING

Permit holders, crew and vessels:

Commercial fishing permit holders: **103¹**

Total permits owned: **160¹**

Permit holders who fished: **80¹**

Crew license holders: **85²** full year and **6** 7-day licenses.

Permit holders who fished plus crew: **176^{1,2}**

Percentage of local population who fished: **7.1%^{1,2,4}**

Vessels home ported: **76³** Vessels owned: **86³**

Haines based fishermen fished for crab, halibut, herring, groundfish, shellfish, sablefish and salmon in Southeast, Prince William Sound, Bristol Bay, Chignik, Norton Sound, and the Gulf of Alaska areas in 2016. Each of these individual small and family businesses represents investment, employment, and income brought home to the Haines Borough.

INCOME:

Estimated **ex-vessel income** by Haines Borough–based fishermen: **\$5.97 million¹** (up \$970,000 from 2015)

Earnings generated from commercial fishing circulated in the local economy through property and sales taxes; purchases of homes, rentals, hotels, electricity, entertainment, fuel, vehicles, food, repair and maintenance parts, transportation, travel, medical, and other services. **Virtually every business in the Haines Borough benefits from commercial fishing dollars.**

JOBS – PROCESSING

Seafood processing jobs in Haines Borough: **311⁵**

Total processing wages: **\$2.6 million⁵**

Footnotes - Sources:

1. Commercial fishing permit activity and estimated harvest and earnings by permit holder are from the Alaska Commercial Fishery Entry Commission (CFEC) at https://www.cfec.state.ak.us/fishery_statistics/earnings.htm.

2. Crew numbers are from Alaska Department of Fish and Game commercial crew license list, and are the number of full year adult resident license holders who list their address in a given community. <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=license.licensefile>

3. Vessel numbers are from CFEC database data found online at <https://www.cfec.state.ak.us/plook/#downloads> and are a count of commercial fishing licensed vessels that list home port or ownership in a given community.

4. Number of processing facilities, and population data used to calculate the percentage of residents who fished, are from the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) Community Database: <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/dcra/DCRAExternal>.

5. Processor employment and wage data is from the Alaska Department of Labor at <http://live.laborstats.alaska.gov/seafood/seafoodstatewide.cfm>.

6. NOAA, NMFS Office of Science and Technology, see reports "Total Commercial Fishery Landings at Major U.S. Ports" ranked by value and by weight at <http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/commercial-fisheries/commercial-landings/index>.

7. Revenue figures are from the Alaska Department of Revenue Shared Taxes report: <http://www.tax.alaska.gov/programs/sourcebook/index.aspx>

...AND MORE JOBS

In addition to direct harvester and processor workers, fisheries related jobs include fuel, accountants, consultants, air and water travel, hardware and marine repair and supply businesses, advocacy and marketing organizations, air cargo crew, freight agents, and scientists.

Government related jobs include Alaska Department of Fish and Game • Fish and Wildlife Protection/Alaska Department of Public Safety • Docks and Harbors • Alaska State Troopers • United States Coast Guard • University of Alaska School of Fisheries • Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory program, and more.

REVENUE to the State and Community through Fishery Taxes ...

Haines Borough received **\$128,174 in fisheries business taxes in FY 2017, and \$1.07 million in the past five years** through the municipal tax-sharing program from Haines Borough fisheries landings and businesses.⁷ The State of Alaska received a like amount.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Haines is in House District 33, Senate District Q.

Haines Borough includes the communities of Haines and Excursion Inlet.