

Haines Borough



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2021 Commercial Fishing and Seafood Processing Facts

Haines Borough was ranked the #110 fishing port in the U.S. by weight and the #119 port by value, with landings of 2.3 million pounds of seafood worth \$7.0 million in 2021.⁶

JOBS - FISHING

Permit holders, crew and vessels:

Commercial fishing permit holders: **96¹**

Total permits owned: **149¹**

Permit holders who fished: **80¹**

Crew license holders: **79²**

Permit holders who fished plus crew: **159^{1,2}**

Percentage of local population who fished: **6.5%^{1,2,4}**

Vessels home ported: **77³** Vessels owned: **76³**

Haines based fishermen fished for crab, halibut, groundfish, shrimp, sea cukes, sablefish and salmon in Southeast, Prince William Sound, Bristol Bay, and the Gulf of Alaska in 2020. 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: **\$8.4 million¹**

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: **45⁵**

Total processing wages: **\$1.0 million⁵**

...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 \$226,890 in fisheries business taxes in FY2021.⁷ 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. The majority of Haines fishermen (49) fished the Southeast salmon gillnet fishery with total estimated earnings of \$2.6 million in 2021.

Footnotes - Sources:

1. Commercial fishing permit activity and estimated harvest and earnings by permit holder are 2020 preliminary 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 2020 full year and seven day adult resident crew license holders who list their address in a given community.

3. Vessel numbers are from CFEC yearly download 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. Population data used to calculate the percentage of residents who fished, are from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development Database: [Alaska Population Estimates](#).

5. Processor employment and wage data is from the Alaska Department of Labor provided on request.

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 "Upper Southeast AK - Other" at [Top US Ports \(noaa.gov\)](http://Top US Ports (noaa.gov)).

7. Revenue figures are from the Alaska Department of Revenue Shared Taxes report: [FY2021 - Shared Tax Report - - Working Updated 11.29.2021.xlsx \(alaska.gov\)](#)