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2021 Commercial Fishing and Seafood Processing Facts

Juneau ranked #38 in the U.S. by weight and #46 in value with seafood landings of 16.7 million pounds worth \$30.6 million in 2021.⁶

JOB - FISHING

Permit holders, crew and vessels:

Commercial fishing permit holders: **363¹**
Total permits owned: **579¹**
Permit holders who fished: **216¹** (up 6)
Crew license holders: **358** full year²
Permit holders who fished plus crew: **574^{1,2}**
Percentage of local population who fished: **1.8%**^{1,2,4}
Vessels home ported: **525³** Vessels owned: **269³**

Each of these individual small and family businesses represents investment, employment, and income in the Juneau community.

INCOME

Estimated **ex-vessel income** by City and Borough of Juneau-based fishermen from all fisheries: **\$22.0 million**. Earnings generated from commercial fishing circulate in the local economy through property and sales taxes; purchases of homes, rentals, hotels, electricity, entertainment, fuel, vehicles, food, repair and maintenance, transportation, travel, medical, and other services. **Virtually every business in Juneau benefits from commercial fishing dollars.**

The Juneau based DIPAC Hatchery produces significant number of chum, sockeye, Chinook and coho salmon for commercial, sport, and personal use fisheries.

JOB - PROCESSING

Shore based processors (2022): **6⁸**
Seafood processing jobs in Juneau: **389⁵**
Alaska resident processing jobs: **174 (45%)⁵**
Total processing wages: **\$6.8 million⁵**
Alaska res. processing wages: **\$4.0 M (59%)⁵**

...AND MORE JOBS

In addition to direct harvester and processor workers, fisheries related jobs include hatcheries, 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 • Hatcheries • 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 ...

FY 2021 shared taxes – The City and Borough of Juneau received \$407,040 in fisheries business taxes through the municipal tax-sharing program from City and Borough of Juneau fisheries landings and businesses.⁷ The State of Alaska received a like amount.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

The City and Borough of Juneau is in House Districts 33 and 34, Senate District Q.

The City and Borough of Juneau includes the communities of Juneau, Douglas, and Auke Bay.

Juneau residents' top fisheries include salmon (\$10.6M), halibut (\$4.5M), crab (\$4.0M, all species), and sablefish (\$2.0M).¹

Footnotes - Sources:

1. Commercial fishing permit activity and estimated harvest and earnings by permit holder are 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 adult license holders who list their address in a CBJ 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. 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 at [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 \(alaska.gov\)](#)