

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

DOMESTIC FISHERIES REPORT

Troll Salmon

The winter troll salmon fishery began October 1. The total chinook harvest to date is estimated to be 45,000. This compares to 28,400 chinook salmon harvested during the entire 1986-87 winter troll season.

Several factors have led to the increased catches this season:

- * Favorable weather conditions during October and November
- * The abundance level appears to be higher with an estimated 16 percent of the catch coming from Alaska hatchery contributions
- * Prices have increased to \$3.50 - \$4.00 per pound

Tanner Crab

Following are the 1987-88 harvest projects for Tanner crab fisheries statewide:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Opening Date</u>	<u>Guideline Harvest Level*</u>	<u>1986-87 Harvests*</u>
Southeast	Jan. 15	.75 - 1.25	1.5
Yakutat	Jan. 15	1.0	0
Prince Wm. Sound	Jan. 15	.2 - .5	
Cook Inlet	Jan. 15	N/A	.6
Kodiak	Jan. 15	5.8	4.8
Chignik	Jan. 15	.2	
South Peninsula	Jan. 15	3.4	2.4
Eastern Aleutians	Jan. 15	.2	.2
Western Aleutians	Nov. 1	.1	0
Bering Sea			
C. bairdi	Jan. 15	5.6	0
C. opilio	Jan. 15	110.7	98.1
	TOTAL	127.95 - 128.75	107.6

*Millions of pounds