Kenai Peninsula Borough

2015 Commercial Fishing and Seafood Processing Facts

JOBS - FISHING

Permit holders, crew and vessels:
Commercial fishing permit holders: 1,435^1
Total permits owned: 2,200^1
Permit holders who fished: 1,130^1
Commercial crewmember license holders: 1,796^2
Permit holders who fished plus crew: 2,928^1^2
Percentage of local population who fished: 5.1%^1^3^4
Vessels home ported: 1,141^5 Vessels owned: 1,132^5

Each of these individual small and family businesses represents investment, employment, and income in the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

INCOME:
Estimated ex-vessel income by Kenai Peninsula Borough-based fisherman: $107.3 million^1
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 Kenai Peninsula Borough benefits from commercial fishing dollars.

JOBS - PROCESSING

Seafood processing jobs in Kenai Peninsula Borough: 1,903^6
Alaska resident processing jobs in borough: 869 (45.7%)^5
Total processing wages: $15.1 million^6
Alaska resident processing wages: $6.7 million (44.7%)^6
Number of processing facilities: 30^4

...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 2015 shared taxes – The Kenai Peninsula Borough and its communities collectively received $1.2 million in fisheries business and landing taxes through the municipal tax-sharing program from Kenai Peninsula Borough fisheries landings and businesses. The State of Alaska received a like amount.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is in House Districts 29-32, Senate Districts 0 and P.

Kenai Peninsula Borough includes communities of Anchor Point, Clam Gulch, Cooper Landing, Fritz Creek, Halibut Cove, Homer, Hope, Kaslo, Kenai, Moose Pass, Nanwalek, Nikiski, Nikolaevsk, Ninilchik, Port Graham, Soldotna, Seward, Soldotna, Sterling, Tyonek, Cohoe, and Kachemak.

Footnotes - Sources:
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?edpg=licenseicensedata
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/dcca/DCCEDExternal.
5. Processor employment and wage data is from the Alaska Department of Labor at http://laborstat.alaska.gov/seaford/seafordstatewide.cfm.
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Anchorage is ranked the #56 fishing port in the U.S. by weight and the #88 port by value, with landings of 10.4 million pounds of seafood worth $9.1 million.

JOBS - FISHING
Permit holders, crew and vessels:
Commercial fishing permit holders: 775
Total permits owned: 935
Permit holders who fished: 523
Commercial crewmembers license holders: 1,196
Permit holders who fished plus crew: 1,719
Vessels home ported: 111
Vessels owned: 470
Each of these individual small and family businesses represents investment, employment, and income in the Anchorage Municipality.

INCOME
Estimated ex-vessel income by Anchorage Municipality-based fishermen: $49.3 million

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 Anchorage Municipality benefits from commercial fishing dollars.

JOBS – PROCESSING
Seafood processing jobs in Anchorage Municipality: 806
Alaska resident processing jobs: 513 (63.5%)
Total processing wages: $11.7 million
Alaska resident processing wages: $8.6 million (74.0%)
Number of processing facilities: 19

...AND MORE JOBS
In addition to direct harvester and processor workers, fisheries related jobs include fuel, accountants, banking, consultants, air and water travel, hardware and marine repair and supply businesses, advocacy and marketing organizations, air cargo crew, freight agents, and scientists. Much of the seafood harvested in Anchorage was shipped or flown out, providing many transportation sector jobs.

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
FY 2015 shared taxes – The Anchorage Municipality and its communities collectively received $202,096 in fisheries business and landing taxes through the municipal tax-sharing program from the Anchorage Municipality fisheries landings and businesses. The State of Alaska received a like amount.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS
The Municipality of Anchorage is in House Districts 12-28, and Senate Districts F-N.

The Municipality of Anchorage includes the communities of Anchorage, Chugiak, Eagle River, Eklutna, Girdwood, Indian, and Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson.

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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/dca/DCRAExternal.

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JOBS - FISHING
Permit holders, crew and vessels:
Commercial fishing permit holders: 322
Total permits owned: 397
Permit holders who fished: 230
Commercial crewmember license holders: 448
Permit holders who fished plus crew: 678
Vessels home ported: 38 Vessels owned: 186

Each of these individual small and family businesses represents investment, employment, and income in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough community.

INCOME:
Estimated ex-vessel income by Matanuska-Susitna Borough-based fishermen: $17.6 million

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 Matanuska-Susitna Borough benefits from commercial fishing dollars.

JOBS - PROCESSING
Seafood processing jobs in the Mat-Su Borough: 21
Number of processing facilities: 3

...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...
The state general fund received over $24 million in fisheries business and landings taxes in FY 2015. and Total seafood industry contributions to the state treasury totaled over $72.9 million, including business, landings, salmon development, and seafood marketing taxes, among others.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS
The Matanuska-Susitna Borough is in House Districts 7-12, and Senate Districts D-F.

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough includes the communities of Big Lake, Houston, Palmer, Talkeetna, Trapper Creek, Sutton, Wasilla, and Willow.

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3. Vessel numbers are from CFEC database data found online at https://www.cpec.state.ak.us/lobot/##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/docs/dccedCommunityDatabase.
5. Processor employment and wage data is from the Alaska Department of Labor at http://laborstats.alaska.gov/seafood/seafoodstatewide.cfm.