

# COMMUNITY BENEFITS COMMERCIAL FISHING AND RECREATIONAL BOATING

The Port of Seattle announced new economic impact report figures on the local fishing and recreational boating industries, highlighting the importance of maritime industrial properties in the region. Commercial fishing facilities on Port property hauled in over \$671.3 million, supporting over 7,000 direct jobs, with recreational boating related facilities floating nearly \$729 million, and more than 3,600 jobs.

## **COMMERCIAL FISHING**

The Port of Seattle plays a critical role in supporting the regional fishing industry.

- In 2017, fishing vessels that moored at Port of Seattle facilities operating in the Alaskan fisheries generated gross earnings of more \$455.0 million.
- Factoring in all segments of commercial fishing at the Port of Seattle, these activities generated more than \$671.3 million in business output in 2017.
- In 2017, an estimated 7,200 jobs were directly associated with commercial fishing at the Port of Seattle.

### **NORTH PACIFIC AND U.S. FISHERIES**

In 2017, 226 fishing vessels operating in the North Pacific Fisheries utilized Port of Seattle facilities throughout the year, such as for periodic maintenance and repair or loading and offloading. In 2017, gross earnings in Alaska's fisheries totaled more than \$1 billion.

- The revenues generated in 2017 by Port of Seattle vessels from fishing in Alaska represented 44% of all gross earnings from the North Pacific Fisheries.
- Fishing vessel operator customers harvested catch (Alaska and non-Alaska) are equal to an estimated 13% by value of total U.S. commercial fisheries in 2017 by dollar value.
- In 2017, Port of Seattle customers harvested 1.3 million metric tons of seafood from the North Pacific Fisheries, or equivalent gross earnings of \$455 million.

Port of Seattle Commercial Fishing (2017)	
\$671.3 M	7,200
Direct Business Output	Direct Jobs
300	1.3 M
<b>Fishing Vessels</b>	Metric Tons Harvested
Utilized Port of	by Port Customers in
Seattle Facilities	North Pacific Fisheries
Other Port of Seattle Activities Including Recreational Marinas (2017)	
\$728.8 M	3,620
Direct Business Output	Direct Jobs
4	\$357.2 M
Recreational Marinas	Direct Labor Income



# **RECREATIONAL BOATING**

There were an estimated 200 jobs directly tied to recreational marinas, with an associated \$13.9 million in labor income and \$29.6 million in output. Combined, recreational marinas and other Port of Seattle business directly

supported more than 3,600 jobs, more than \$357 million in labor compensation, and nearly \$729 million in business output.

The Port of Seattle Recreational Marinas

- The largest Port Marina: Shilshole Marina
  - Capacity for more than 1,400 vessels
  - Home to Washington's largest liveaboard community with capacity for 350 live-aboard vessels
- Harbor Island Marina
- Salmon Bay Marina
- Bell Harbor Marina: Seattle's only downtown marina

### **INDUSTRIAL MOORAGE**

Port facilities are also used for a wide variety of other activities. The Port of Seattle offers moorage for tugs and barges, as well as research vessels. Tug and barge operators provide inter-harbor and long-distance conveying of non-containerized cargo, such as building materials to and from marine construction sites, shipments to Alaska, and towing of industrial equipment.

Combined, tug, barge, and marine construction dockage and moorage leases generated nearly \$2.4 million in revenue

Location of Port of Seattle Commercial Fishing and Recreational Boating Facilities





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