

CALIFORNIA FISHERIES COALITION

ESTIMATED ECONOMIC VALUE OF CFC MEMBERSHIP

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Alliance of Communities for
Sustainable Fisheries

American Albacore Fishing Association

California Abalone Growers

California Lobster & Trap Association

California Fisheries & Seafood Institute

California Sea Urchin Commission

California Wetfish Producers
Association

Central Coast Fisheries Conservation
Coalition

Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara
Inc.

Federation of Independent Seafood
Harvesters

Fishermen's Alliance of California

Fishermen's Association of Moss
Landing

Golden Gate Fishermen's Association

I.S.P. Alginates Kelp Harvesters

Kingfisher Trading Inc.

Monterey Commercial Fishermen's
Association

Morro Bay Commercial Fisherman's
Organization

Port San Luis Commercial Fishermen's
Association

Recreational Fishing Alliance

South Central Nearshore Trap
Organization

Southern CA Trawlers Association

Sportfishing Association of California

Ventura County Commercial Fishermen's
Association

The California Fisheries Coalition is a group of diverse marine-related interests united by their dependence on the ocean and their interest in promoting policies that support and protect ocean-dependent industries and the coastal communities of California as well as the resources on which they depend.

Members of the CFC include recreational and commercial fishing groups, seafood processors and distributors, abalone growers and kelp harvesters. The aggregate economic benefits provided to the State of California by these maritime industries run into the billions of dollars annually. Individually each member of the CFC has an abiding interest in a healthy ocean and sustainable resources. Collectively, the California Fisheries Coalition advocates for the heritage and economic value of fishing to California's coastal communities. To preserve and enhance that value, the CFC offers to work constructively to ascertain and guarantee that: [1] the best and most current oceanographic, socio-economic, and fisheries science is accurately compiled; [2] this science is readily available for use in crafting public policy; and [3] the linkage between healthy, sustainable fisheries, marine conservation and coastal communities is firmly established.

A preliminary accounting of the scope and economic value contributed to the State of California by CFC member associations and companies produced the following statistics:

• TOTAL NUMBER OF FISHERMEN	14,073
• TOTAL CPFV PASSENGERS (APPROX. 1 MILLION)	
• TOTAL NUMBER OF FISHING VESSELS	4,021
• TOTAL SEAFOOD COMPANIES	221
• TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	172,447*
• X-V VALUE OF MEMBER PORTS \$	31,323,275
(CENTRAL COAST FROM PILLAR POINT HARBOR TO PORT SAN LUIS)	
• MULTIPLIED ECONOMIC VALUE	\$5,546,087,400
(CFC MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS AND COMPANIES)	

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