

The value of the equipment used in primary operations of the commercial fisheries in 1950 increased by \$10,700,000 over the 1949 figure. A rise in the total estimated value of craft of all types, especially vessels, accounted for a good proportion of the increase. Of the total investment in the agencies of primary production, 86 p.c. was employed by the sea fisheries.

5.—Capital Investment in Sea and Inland Fisheries, 1949 and 1950

| Kind of Equipment | 1949 ¹ | | 1950 ¹ | |
|--|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | No. | \$'000 | No. | \$'000 |
| Sea Fisheries— | | | | |
| Steam trawlers and vessels..... | 6 | 975 | 5 | 775 |
| Dragners..... | 128 | 3,045 | 138 | 3,905 |
| Vessels—gasoline, diesel and sail..... | 2,009 | 17,776 | 2,089 | 22,175 |
| Boats—gasoline, diesel, sail and row..... | 28,163 | 16,151 | 27,858 | 17,877 |
| Packers, carrying boats and scows..... | 1,209 | 2,251 | 1,183 | 2,234 |
| Herring nets..... | 45,161 | 1,137 | 44,938 | 1,148 |
| Mackerel nets..... | 28,118 | 753 | 29,014 | 794 |
| Salmon nets, traps and seines..... | 14,947 | 3,949 | 15,459 | 4,344 |
| Smelt nets..... | 16,491 | 588 | 16,226 | 605 |
| Other nets, weirs and seines..... | 6,306 | 2,792 | 6,678 | 2,873 |
| Tube of trawl, skates of gear, hand lines..... | 92,638 | 1,384 | 87,882 | 1,760 |
| Lobster traps and pounds..... | 2,354,279 | 5,968 | 1,910,316 | 6,526 |
| Other gear..... | ... | 268 | ... | 337 |
| Premises—piers, wharves, freezers, ice-houses, small fish- and smoke-houses..... | 7,887 | 2,865 | 7,698 | 3,471 |
| Total Values, Sea Fisheries Equipment..... | ... | 59,902 | ... | 68,824 |
| Inland Fisheries— | | | | |
| Fish carriers and tugs..... | 157 | 1,631 | 207 | 1,731 |
| Boats (gasoline and diesel), skiffs, canoes..... | 6,591 | 2,055 | 7,119 | 2,343 |
| Gill nets..... | ... | 3,400 | ... | 4,505 |
| Other nets, weirs and seines..... | 7,454 | 1,164 | 7,033 | 1,196 |
| Other gear..... | ... | 316 | ... | 315 |
| Premises — piers, wharves, freezers, ice-houses, small fish- and smoke-houses..... | 2,019 | 1,126 | 1,909 | 1,359 |
| Total Values, Inland Fisheries Equipment..... | ... | 9,692 | ... | 11,449 |
| Grand Totals..... | ... | 69,594 | ... | 80,273 |

¹ Figures for Newfoundland not available.

6.—Persons Employed in the Primary Fishing Industry, 1946, 1949 and 1950

| Item | Sea Fisheries | | | Inland Fisheries | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 1946 | 1949 ¹ | 1950 ¹ | 1946 | 1949 ¹ | 1950 ¹ |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| Persons Employed in— | | | | | | |
| Steam trawlers and vessels..... | 162 | 132 | 112 | — | — | — |
| Dragners..... | 439 | 612 | 722 | — | — | — |
| Vessels..... | 7,809 | 9,235 | 8,769 | 10,402 | 9,459 | 10,974 |
| Boats..... | 38,097 | 33,953 | 35,427 | | | |
| Packers, carrying boats and scows.... | 693 | 681 | 617 | 117 | 130 | 128 |
| Fishing, not in boats..... | 4,761 | 2,982 | 3,000 | 11,034 | 7,859 | 7,303 |
| Totals..... | 51,961 | 47,595 | 48,647 | 21,553 | 17,448 | 18,405 |

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