

4.—Persons Employed in the Primary Fishing Industry, by Province, 1957-59

Province	Sea Fisheries			Inland Fisheries		
	1957	1958	1959 ^a	1957	1958	1959 ^a
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Newfoundland.....	16,469	18,364	18,430	—	—	—
Prince Edward Island.....	3,000	3,209	3,260	—	—	—
Nova Scotia.....	15,265	13,747	13,012	—	—	—
New Brunswick.....	7,815	6,060	6,211	352	160	171
Quebec.....	5,578	6,213	5,387	1,134	1,064	1,037
Ontario.....	—	—	—	3,066	3,224	3,527
Manitoba.....	—	—	—	5,395	5,682	5,312
Saskatchewan.....	—	—	—	1,500	1,600	1,650
Alberta.....	—	—	—	5,941	7,805	6,089
British Columbia.....	12,999	15,263	15,456	—	—	—
Northwest Territories.....	—	—	—	530	539	503
Totals.....	61,126	62,856	61,756	17,918	20,074	18,239

Subsection 2.—The Fish Processing Industry

The Census of Industry survey of the fish processing industry covers establishments engaged in the processing of fish at the secondary industrial level. Some fishermen process the fish they land to a certain degree but their operations are not included nor are the minor amounts of processing done in the inland areas (Ontario, the Prairie Provinces, and the Northwest Territories). In 1959, products of fish processing establishments had a selling value of \$169,021,000, considerably lower than the value for the previous year. The East Coast fish plants contributed \$94,499,000 and those of British Columbia \$74,522,000.

5.—Summary Statistics of Seafish Processing Establishments, 1955-59

Item		1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
Establishments.....	No.	574¹	486	426	431	409
Newfoundland.....	"	34	43	36	35	36
Prince Edward Island.....	"	36	30	27	22	20
Nova Scotia.....	"	194	140	126	138	142
New Brunswick.....	"	167	147	123	126	99
Quebec.....	"	71	74	70	66	68
British Columbia.....	"	72	52	44	44	44
Employees.....	No.	14,626	14,329	13,235	13,193	13,016
Male.....	"	10,283	10,157	9,433	9,298	9,219
Female.....	"	4,343	4,172	3,852	3,895	3,797
Salaries and wages.....	\$'000	26,320	27,583	27,617	29,859	28,016
Fuel and electricity used.....	"	2,663	2,860	2,960	2,852	2,983
Materials used.....	"	101,921	104,575	97,969	122,633	109,066
Value of products.....	"	159,888 ²	170,063	150,562	180,784	169,021

¹ Includes establishments whose main activity was the handling of fresh fish or other products; such establishments are excluded in later years. ² Not strictly comparable with later years; this figure applies to value of production while those for 1956-59 are value of sales or shipments.

The most important products of the fish processing industry are canned salmon for British Columbia and frozen fillets of groundfish for the Atlantic Coast. The greatly reduced sockeye catch in 1959 had its effect on the canned salmon output which dropped in value to \$12,103,000 from a high of \$41,240,000 in 1958. While part of the great decline in the sockeye output was counterbalanced by increases in other species, particularly coho, the total value of all species canned was down by 41.3 p.c. compared with 1958.