

## CANNED AND CURED FISH

### Shrimp

**SHRIMP PACK:** The March pack of canned shrimp amounted to 8,439 standard cases, according to reports from canning plants operating under the Seafood Inspection Service of the Food and Drug Administration. This was an increase of almost 900 percent in the pack of the previous month. The pack for the season July 1, 1946 to March 29, 1947 totaled 243,921 cases, almost double last season's pack.

Wet and Dry Pack Shrimp in all Sizes in Tin and Glass--Standard Cases\*

M O N T H		S E A S O N		3-yr. average July 1-Mar. 29
1 9 4 7 Mar. 2-Mar. 29	1 9 4 6 Feb. 25-Mar. 16	1946-47 July 1-Mar. 29	1945-46 July 1-Mar. 16	
8,439	30	243,921	126,465	259,981

\*All figures on basis of new standard case--48 No. 1 cans with 7 oz. per can in the wet pack and  $6\frac{1}{2}$  oz. per can in the dry pack



### Tuna and Mackerel

**TUNA AND MACKEREL PACK:** The production of canned tuna by California packers during March totaled 292,530 standard cases, according to the California Division of Fish and Game. This was 47 percent more than the February pack and 77 percent above production in March 1946. The total pack during the first 3 months of 1947 amounted to 630,281 standard cases, 28 percent above production for the corresponding period in 1946. The pack of all species of tuna, except yellowtail and albacore, was greater than that in March 1946. The pack of tuna flakes was also higher, and the first production this year of tonno style occurred during the month.

California Pack of Tuna and Mackerel--Standard Cases\*

Item	March	February	March	Three mos. ending with March--	
	1947	1947	1946	1947	1946
	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Tuna:					
Albacore	-	-	25	2	25
Bonito	1,170	4,350	852	11,717	3,853
Bluefin	18,960	14,389	8,356	33,349	35,707
Striped	46,550	30,521	8,274	88,603	28,475
Yellowfin	168,671	114,031	121,342	383,206	335,885
Yellowtail	1,423	2,746	2,960	6,017	19,274
Flakes	49,253	32,624	23,169	100,884	68,521
Tonno style	6,503	-	-	6,503	-
Total	292,530	198,661	164,978	630,281	491,740
Mackerel	19,309	114,116	2,555	211,051	50,830

\*Standard cases of tuna represent cases of 48 7-ounce cans, while those of mackerel represent cases of 48 1-pound cans.

The pack of mackerel during March--19,309 standard cases--was 83 percent below February. Only 2,555 cases were canned in March 1946. The 3-month pack of 211,051 standard cases was more than four times the pack for the corresponding months in 1946.