

CANNED AND CURED FISH

Shrimp

SHRIMP PACK: The pack of canned shrimp for the period March 30 to April 26 amounted to 4,868 standard cases, according to reports from shrimp canneries operating under the Seafood Inspection Service of the Food and Drug Administration. This was a decline of 42 percent from the previous month's pack. The season's pack to April 26, however, amounting to 248,790 cases was approximately 90 percent greater than the pack for the same period last year.

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-Apr. 26
1 9 4 7 Mar. 30-Apr. 26	1 9 4 6 Mar. 17-Apr. 26	1946-47 July 1-Apr. 26	1945-46 July 1-Mar. 16	
4,868	-	248,790	126,465	-

*All figures on basis of new standard case--48 No. 1 cans with 7 oz. per can in the wet pack and 6½ oz. per can in the dry pack.



Tuna and Mackerel

TUNA AND MACKEREL PACK: The production of canned tuna by California packers during April 1947, amounted to 384,667 standard cases, according to the California Division of Fish and Game--an increase of 31 percent over the pack for the preceding month and 20 percent over that of April 1946.

The pack for the first four months of 1947 totaled 1,014,948 cases, or 25 percent greater than that during the same period in 1946.

The pack of canned Pacific Coast mackerel in California declined sharply in April to only 3,720 cases which was only 20 percent of the pack for the preceding month. The four months' total (214,771 cases), however, exceeded the total for the same period in 1946 by over 300 percent.

California Pack of Tuna and Mackerel--Standard Cases*

Item	April 1947	March 1947	April 1946	Four mos. ending with April--	
	Cases	Cases	Cases	1947	1946
Tuna:					
Albacore	309	-	-	311	25
Bonito	455	1,170	157	12,172	4,010
Bluefin	11,589	18,960	6,676	44,938	42,383
Striped	34,894	46,550	35,637	123,497	64,112
Yellowfin	256,272	168,671	203,219	639,478	539,104
Yellowtail	839	1,423	1,274	6,856	20,548
Flakes	79,550	49,253	73,818	180,434	142,339
Tonno style	759	6,503	-	7,262	**
Total	384,667	292,530	320,781	1,014,948	812,521
Mackerel	3,720	19,309	229	214,771	51,059

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

**As only one firm packed tonno style during 1946, no figures were published on the pack.