

TABLE 26
COMMERCIAL FISHING FLEET—1944-1945

Region of home port	Number of boats, grouped by length					Total number of boats for each region
	Up to 24 feet	25 to 39 feet	40 to 64 feet	65 to 84 feet	85 feet and over	
Eureka.....	30	225	55	-----	-----	310
Sacramento.....	129	150	4	-----	-----	283
San Francisco.....	68	471	92	22	2	655
Monterey.....	98	203	21	56	1	379
Santa Barbara.....	38	63	26	-----	-----	127
Los Angeles.....	204	815	266	107	15	1,467
San Diego.....	80	212	89	37	37	455
Alaska, Washington and Oregon.....	-----	6	40	55	5	106
Total number of boats.....	707	2,145	593	277	60	3,782

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5. FISHING-PARTY VESSELS

Every person operating a fishing-party vessel for profit in this State must first obtain from the Division of Fish and Game a permit good for one calendar year. A record of these party-permit boats is included with the regular commercial fishing fleet because they draw upon the same supply of fish. The majority of the owners and operators hold commercial fishing licenses and sell the excess catch to the fresh fish markets and canneries.

The number of party vessels under permit has dropped steadily from 553 in 1941 to 235 in 1944. During this four-year period ocean sport fishing was so curtailed that many of the party boats turned to commercial fishing and some were tied up in port awaiting a happier day when Coast Guard restrictions and gasoline rationing could be lifted.

TABLE 27
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	1943	1944
Boat owners with market fishermen's licenses.....	202	173
Boat owners with party permits only.....	79	62
Total party-permit or "sport" boats.....	281	235

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