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SUMMARY OF VESSEL AND GEAR SPECIFICATIONS

FOR THE UNITED STATES PACIFIC COAST

TRAWL FLEET, 1971 - 1972 ^{1/}

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The 1972 United States Pacific Coast trawl fleet fishing for bottomfish species totalled 249 vessels (Table 1). The total number of trawl vessels increased slightly from 1971 to 1972 (nearly 6 per cent). The number of vessels operating out of Oregon decreased by five vessels, while an increase of 11 vessels based in California occurred. Washington trawlers decreased by one. Fishing patterns, type of vessels and net specifications remained essentially the same in 1972 as in 1971 and 1970, described in Document No. 1403 for years 1969 and 1970.

Table 1. Size distribution (gross tons) of vessels engaged in the United States Pacific Coast trawl fishery for bottomfish.

Tonnage Class	1972					1971				
	Alaska	Wash.	Oreg.	Calif.	Total	Alaska	Wash.	Oreg.	Calif.	Total
< 24	0	11	5	23	39	0	12	5	20	37
25-49	0	37	40	44	121	0	32	36	42	110
50-74	0	21	16	20	57	0	18	13	17	48
75-99	0	5	9	3	17	0	7	10	2	19
100-124	0	3	1	4	8	0	5	1	4	10
125-199	0	4	1	2	7	0	7	2	0	9
200-224	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Stern Ramp Trawler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		81	72	96	249	0	82	67	85	234