

# Kodiak, Alaska

## Commercial Fishing and Seafood Processing Facts

United Fishermen of Alaska  
211 Fourth St. Suite 110  
Juneau, AK 99801-1172  
Phone 907.586.2820  
Fax 907.463.2545  
ufa@ufa-fish.org  
www.ufa-fish.org



**Kodiak is the #4 fishing port in the U.S. by Volume & #3 by Value of 2010 landings.**

### JOBS - FISHING

**Permit holders, Crew and Vessels (2010) in Kodiak (includes Kodiak Island Borough):**

CFEC commercial fishing permit holders: **592<sup>1</sup>**

Total permits owned: **1324<sup>1</sup>**

Permitholders who fished: **458<sup>1</sup>**

Commercial Crew license holders (does not include CFEC permitholders who crewed): **961<sup>2</sup>**

Total Skippers who fished plus Crew in 2010: **1,419<sup>1,2</sup>**

Percentage of residents who fished: **10%<sup>1,2,4</sup>**

Vessels Home Ported: **622<sup>3</sup>**

**Each of these individual small and family businesses represents investment, employment, and income in the Kodiak community.**

### Income:

Estimated 2010 ex-vessel income by Kodiak-based fishermen: **\$126,918,455<sup>1</sup>**

Earnings generated from commercial fishing circulated in the local economy through property and sales taxes; purchases of homes, rentals, hotels, electricity, entertainment, fuel, vehicles, food, repair and maintenance parts, transportation, travel, medical, and other services. **Virtually every business in Kodiak benefits from commercial fishing dollars.**

### JOBS - PROCESSING

Seafood processing jobs (2009 -Borough): **2,936<sup>5</sup>**

Total processing wages: (2009-Borough): **\$ 41,068,725<sup>5</sup>**

First wholesale value (2009 – Borough): **\$261 million<sup>6</sup>**

### ...AND MORE JOBS

**In addition to direct harvester and processor workers**, fisheries related jobs include fuel, accountants, consultants, air and water travel, hardware and marine repair and supply businesses, advocacy and marketing organizations, air cargo crew, freight agents, and scientists. **Government related jobs include** Alaska Department of Fish and Game • Fish and Wildlife Protection/Alaska Department of Public Safety • Docks and Harbors • Alaska State Troopers • United States Coast Guard • University of Alaska School of Fisheries • Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory program, and more.

### TRANSPORTATION JOBS AND BENEFITS

In 2010, **325.3<sup>7</sup> million pounds** of seafood were landed in Kodiak for an estimated value of **\$128.1 million<sup>7</sup>**, and most of this was shipped or flown out, providing many more jobs.

### REVENUE to the State and Community through Fishery Taxes ...

FY 2010 Shared taxes – The City of Kodiak received **\$740,960**, Kodiak Island Borough received **\$1,046,401** and the State of Alaska received **\$1,875,076<sup>8</sup>** in fishery business and landing taxes through the municipal tax-sharing program from Kodiak Island fisheries landings and businesses.

### Footnotes - Sources:

1. Commercial fishing permit activity, estimated harvest and earnings by permit holders are from AK Commercial Fishery Entry Commission (CFEC) at: <http://www.cfec.state.ak.us/gpbycen/2010/mnu.htm>
2. Crew numbers are from Alaska Department of Fish and Game 2010 Crew license list, and is the number of individuals who list their address in a given city.
3. Vessel home port numbers are from AK CFEC – online at <http://www.cfec.state.ak.us/plook/>
4. 2010 Population figures used to calculate percentage of resident skippers who fished plus crew is from DCCED AK Community Information Database online at: [http://www.dced.state.ak.us/dca/commdb/CF\\_COMMDB.htm](http://www.dced.state.ak.us/dca/commdb/CF_COMMDB.htm)
5. Processor Employment and Wages Data is from Alaska Department of Labor at <http://labor.alaska.gov/research/seafood/statewide/AKSFPBorca.pdf>
6. Processor 1st wholesale value by Census Area 2009 provided by Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute
7. National rank and NOAA total landings and value for selected ports is from NOAA Fisheries - Office of Science & Technology: <http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/st1/commercial/index.html>
8. Revenue figures from 2010 AK Dept of Revenue Shared Taxes report: <http://www.tax.alaska.gov/programs/sourcebook/index.aspx>