

MASSACHUSETTS COMMERCIAL FISHING PORT PROFILES

The **Massachusetts Commercial Fishing Port Profiles** were developed through a collaboration between the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, the University of Massachusetts Boston's Urban Harbors Institute, and the Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen's Alliance. Using data from commercial regional permits, the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program's (ACCSP) Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System (SAFIS) Dealer Database, and harbormaster and fishermen surveys, these profiles provide an overview of the commercial fishing activity and infrastructure within each municipality. The Port Profiles are part of a larger report which describes the status of the Commonwealth's commercial fishing and port infrastructure, as well as how profile data can inform policy, programming, funding, infrastructure improvements, and other important industry-related decisions.

For the full report, visit the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries website.



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Beverly Municipal Boundary

Map created by the Urban Harbors Institute, UMass Boston
With data from MassGIS, March, 2021

Key Terms:

Permitted Harvesters: Commercially permitted harvesters residing in the municipality

Vessels: Commercially permitted vessels with the municipality listed as the homeport

Trips: Discrete commercial trips unloading fish or shellfish in this municipality

Active Permitted Harvesters: Commercially permitted harvesters with at least one reported transaction in a given year

Active Dealers: Permitted dealers with at least one reported purchase from a harvester in a given year

Ex-Vessel Value: Total amount (\$) paid directly to permitted harvesters by dealers at the first point of sale

BEVERLY

Located on the North Shore, Beverly's main harbor is Beverly Harbor.

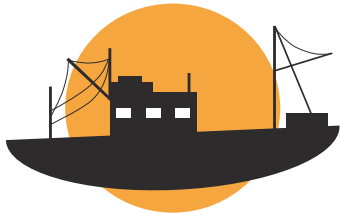
Permitted commercial fisheries, which may or may not be active during the survey period, include:

- Lobster Pot
- Gillnetter
- Scallop Dredge
- Rod & Reel
- For Hire/ Charter



2018 Overview

Source: DMF Permitting and Statistics Data; ACCSP Data Warehouse



Beverly's commercial fishery had:

57 permitted harvesters with a Beverly address

68 vessels with a Beverly homeport

2,164 trips landing in Beverly

43 active permitted harvesters landing in Beverly

12 active dealers purchasing in Beverly



Commercial harvesters landed the following in Beverly in 2018:

830,581 pounds of catch with an ex-vessel value of **\$3,621,568***

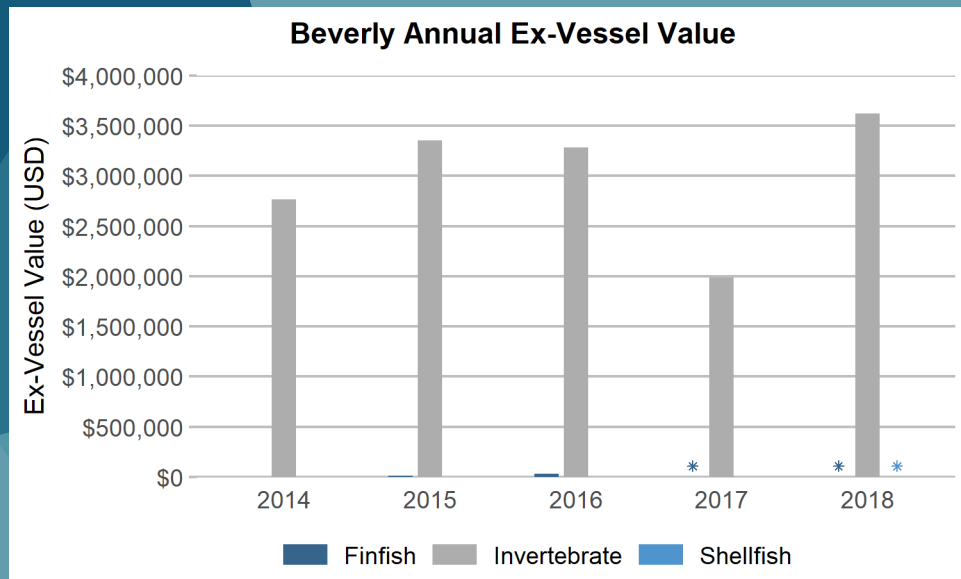
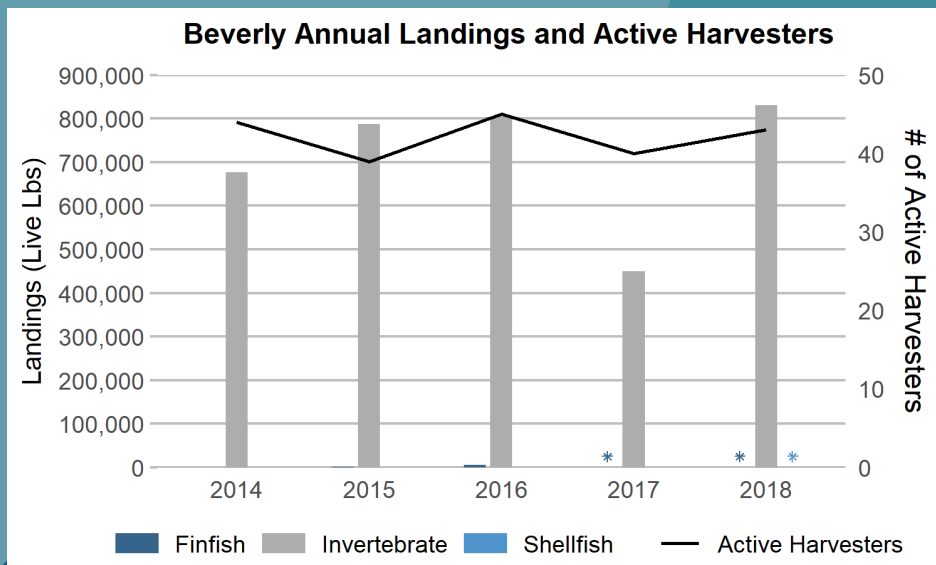
The top-ranked species, by dollar value, landed between 2014-2018 included:

American Lobster
Bluefin Tuna
Jonah Crab

*Does not include confidential finfish or shellfish landings

5 Year Trends in Commercial Landings and Value

Source: DMF Permitting and Statistics Data; ACCSP Data Warehouse



* = CONFIDENTIAL, as fewer than three harvesters, vessels, and/or dealers reported in this municipality.

Status of the Commercial Fishing Industry

Source: 2019 Harbormaster and Harvester Survey Data

Beverly's commercial fishing fleet consists primarily of non-trailered vessels. Anecdotal information reports that the number of fishing vessels operating out of Beverly has generally remained the same, and that the harbor has seen a decline in gillnetting operations in the last 10 years.

Commercial Fishing Infrastructure



Infrastructure upgrades in last ten years:

- New floats and docks



Current infrastructure:

Challenges

- Shallow water/need for dredging
- Limited parking
- Small area for the hoist
- Expensive dock space and wait list

Needs

- Dredge Bass River
- Replace hoist and associated pier at municipal marina
- Electrical work associated with hoist repair and upgrades
- Parking
- Bait storage



Infrastructure dedicated solely to commercial harvesters:

- Moorings: 20 assigned to commercial fishing vessels
- Slips: The municipal marina offers 25 slips to year-round commercial fishermen
- Broadside berthing: None



In 2018, the municipality charged for the following services:

- Moorings: \$5.50/foot per year
- Slips: \$82/foot per year



Type of Infrastructure	Available?
Ice	
Bait storage	
Trash disposal	
Commerical offloading	
Hoist	
Dock space	
Gear storage	
Mooring space	
Fueling stations	
Vessel repair	
Launch ramp	
Parking for fishermen	
Parking for seafood trucks	
Other	

= Available