

MASSACHUSETTS COMMERCIAL FISHING PORT PROFILES

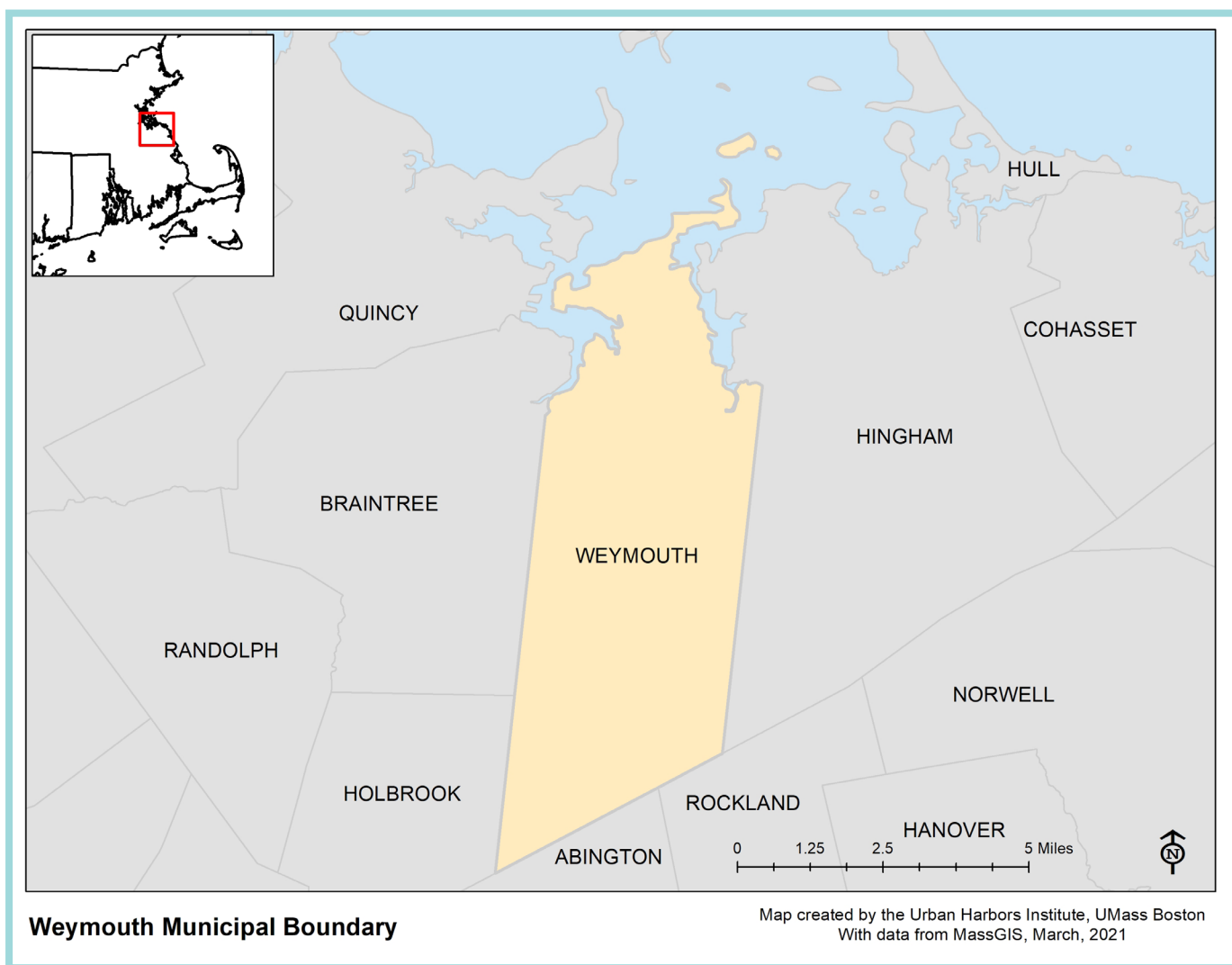
The **Massachusetts Commercial Fishing Port Profiles** were developed through a collaboration between the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, the University of Massachusetts Boston's Urban Harbors Institute, and the Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen's Alliance. Using data from commercial regional 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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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

WEYMOUTH

Located on the South Coast, Weymouth has two harbors: Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River.

Permitted commercial fisheries, which may or may not be active during the survey period, include Shellfish (by hand). The annual total landings value typically averages less than \$10,000 per year, and the top species landed include Striped Bass and Menhaden.




In 2018, Weymouth's commercial fishery had:

- 33 permitted harvesters with a Weymouth address
- 28 vessels with a Weymouth homeport
- 15 trips landing in Weymouth
- 2 active permitted harvesters landing in Weymouth
- 2 active dealers purchasing in Weymouth

Infrastructure

Current infrastructure challenges and needs:

- Weymouth is experiencing shallow waters around the boat ramp and is in need of dredging. The dredging process is expected to take time as the Town needs permits and engineering work.

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

Source: 2019 Harbormaster and Harvester Survey Data; DMF Permitting and Statistics Data; ACCSP Data Warehouse