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This report consolidates preliminary state, federal, and tribal data for the 2001 Pacific whiting fishery off Washington, Oregon, and California.

	Allocation (including reapportionments)		*Catch (mt)	Thru (date)	Status	Percent of allocation taken
	Percentages	Metric Tons				
California (south of 42 N lat.)	(5% shore alloc'n; included in WOC shore allocation)	3,421	2,305	8/21	CA season started 4/1; 5% alloc'n,	
Oregon	--	NA	52,530	9/23	started 0001 hrs 6/15,	
Washington	--	NA	16,258	9/23	started 0001 hrs 6/15,	
WOC shoreside	42% commercial OY	72,618	71,093	9/23	The primary season for shore-based sector ended at noon 8/21, and trip limits resumed until re-opening of primary season at noon 9/17. At 2000 9/26, the extended primary season ended and trip limits resumed.	97.9%
Mothership (N. of 42 N. lat.)	24% commercial OY	41,496	35,823	10/25	started 0001 hrs 5/15	86.3%
Catcher/processor (N. of 42 N. lat.)	34% commercial OY	58,786	49,497	10/25	started 0001 hrs 5/15	84.2%
Total nontribal	commercial OY (86% OY)	162,900	156,413		--	96.0%
Tribal (Makah)	14% OY	17,500	5,814	10/25		33.2%
Total	OY=optimum yield	190,400	162,227		--	85.2%

* Catch includes discards from at-sea processors; weigh-backs from shore-based catcher vessels; and small amounts landed under the 20,000-pound trip limit between the seasons. The data for at-sea processing (catcher/processors and motherships) are preliminary and are based on reports from NMFS-certified observers. Data for shoreside processors also are preliminary and are provided by each State to NMFS for the purpose of monitoring the fishery. Preliminary data for the Makah fishery will be from a NMFS-trained observer. All weights are round weight (the weight of the whole fish before processing) or round-weight equivalents. One metric ton is 2,204.6 pounds.

