

SHRIMPS

JUNEAU, ALASKA — The Alaska shrimp catch in 1971 exceeded 94 million pounds, following a steady upward trend that started in 1964.

Almost all of the increase over the 1970 catch of 74 million pounds was due to the growth of the Kodiak Island pink shrimp fishery. The number of shrimp processors in Kodiak increased from 4 in 1970 to 8 in 1971.

The 1971 Alaska shrimp catch was valued at \$3.8 million at the dock, according to the National Marine Fisheries Service, a component of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in the Commerce Department.

Most of the increase came from the Marmot Bay region, which is not subject to the 58 million pound annual quota established in April 1971 for the historic inshore shrimp producing areas.