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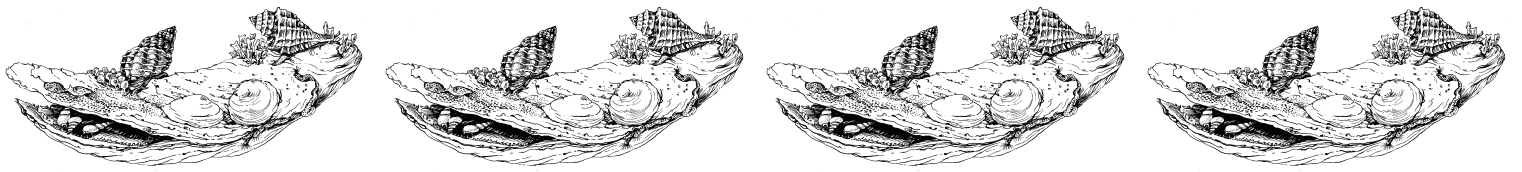
MARYLAND OYSTER HARVESTS IN POUNDS

1952 - 2007

1952	16,287,600	1982	12,263,200
1953	17,433,900	1983	7,435,100
1954	20,163,700	1984	8,011,900
1955	17,271,900	1985	8,591,900
1956	15,843,900	1986	7,959,000
1957	13,485,300	1987	3,821,700
1958	11,539,100	1988	2,408,800
1959	11,378,700	1989	2,328,500
1960	11,398,700	1990	2,882,302
1961	9,977,500	1991	1,499,144
1962	7,906,200	1992	1,468,263
1963	7,550,000	1993	164,435
1964	7,689,700	1994	817,824
1965	8,338,000	1995	1,197,759
1966	11,539,500	1996	888,863
1967	16,729,800	1997	1,400,456
1968	14,653,500	1998	2,451,113
1969	14,494,000	1999	2,556,492
1970	16,453,200	2000	2,368,236
1971	16,959,300	2001	1,274,210
1972	18,797,600	2002	566,990
1973	20,167,400	2003	158,873
1974	18,087,400	2004	42,791
1975	16,202,400	2005	737,853
1976	14,696,400	2006	273,894
1977	12,885,800	2007	259,292
1978	14,183,700		
1979	13,309,800		
1980	14,752,500		
1981	15,547,600		

DATA SOURCE: National Marine Fisheries Service www.st.nmfs.gov/pls/webpls/mf_annual_landings.results
 Images of oysters courtesy Alice Jane Lippson, selected from *Life in the Chesapeake Bay, Second Edition*

***HISTORIC NOTE:** In 1880, during the “Golden Years” of the Chesapeake Bay oyster industry, 14 million *bushels* of oysters were harvested from Maryland and Virginia waters, totaling well into the hundreds of millions of pounds.



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