

Working Waterfront, Tidal Water Recreation, and Economic Values
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2014-2016 York Harbor Commercial Landings

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2014-2016* York/York Harbor Commercial Landings

Year	Species	Live Pounds	Sum of DOLLARS
2014	lobster	694,657	\$2,904,404
2015	lobster	681,854	\$3,078,361
2015	other species	24,883	\$151,654
2016	lobster	884,117	\$4,056,675
2016	other species	478	\$16,874
2016	tuna	20,483	\$142,990

*2016 data are preliminary and subject to change without notice.

Other species include confidential species and cannot be identified on a species level.

All data were pulled from dealer reported data.

Data current as of 2-21-17.

There also are many other economic aspects to the lobster industry such as bait and salt, fuel, boat repairs, dockage, and trap repairs. Additionally, the dealers employ many people at their facilities. The total economic impact of this fishery is far reaching and would be difficult to estimate.

From 2012 USACOE Harbor Information and Navigation Metrics Form: Over \$5,000,000 in economic activity is directly related to York Harbor. There are over 100 jobs that are dependent upon the harbor being navigable and another 100 jobs indirectly dependent on the harbor.

Commercial Docks for Fishermen

There are 2 docks owned by the Town with commercial and public activity:

1. Town Dock #1: Recreational and commercial use. Dock #1 has two lift stations, two refrigerated bait sheds, dock is rated for commercial vehicles for loading and unloading. This facility provides the only access many of the fisherman have to the waterfront.
2. Town Dock #2: Recreational and limited use for commercial fishing. This facility does have a ground out and houses the harbor master shack.

There currently are 4 privately owned docks that support working waterfront/commercial fishermen: John Hancock Wharf, Sewall/Donnell Dock*, George Sewall Dock (limited by tide), and Leighton Dock (seasonal winter use only).

* first known case of using a conservation easement to maintain commercial fishing use

Other Privately Owned Dockage or Boat Launch

1. York Harbor Marine (Marina: Dockage, Boat Launch, & Storage)
2. Donnell (Dockage)
3. Coite (Boat Launch & Dockage)
4. Stage Neck Colony (Dockage)

5. Edwards Harborside Inn (Dockage)
6. Agamenticus Yacht Club (Dockage)

Residential Dock Data (data from Town of York)

There are 45 docks on record from the mouth of the river to Scotland Bridge.

York Harbor Moorings/Slips (data from Town of York)

There are 311 moorings and 198 boats on slips. For 2017, there are 178 people on the power boat mooring waitlist, 57 on the 25' under sailboat waitlist, and 22 on the 25' and over sail boat waitlist. There also is a temporary mooring list each year. There is a one-time application fee of \$50.00 and \$10.00 to remain on the list each year. Harbor usage fees are \$86.00 per vessel for 25' and under, and \$86.00 per vessel plus 2 times the length of the vessel for 25' and over. Forty-five percent (45%) of harbor usage fees go toward Harbor Dredging Fund. Fifty-five percent (55%) of harbor usage fees go toward Wharf Fund.

In fiscal year 2016, \$27,325 in income was added to the Harbor Dredging Fund and \$42,802 was added to the Wharf Fund. Other Town income for fiscal year 2016 included mooring wait list fees of \$6,284, bait shed fees \$993, and hoist fees \$1,050.

Other Business Operations on the River

1. Stage Neck Inn
2. Dockside Inn
3. Agamenticus Yacht Club
4. Hancock Wharf/George Marshall Store
5. York River Landing
6. York Golf & Tennis Club
7. York River Lobster Company
8. Charter boat companies (2-3)
9. Paddle craft touring companies (2-3): one yoga paddleboard company, approximately 25 group outings per summer; 1-2 kayak touring companies, approximately 60 group outings per summer (1 company)
10. York Parks and Recreation: summer kayaking camps

Recreational Shellfish Harvest Data (data from Town of York)

Up to 75 residential permits and 25 non-residential permits issued annually. No commercial harvesting is allowed. 2016 Licenses were issued as follows: 33 Permits for residents, \$15.00 fee (\$495); 21 Permits for non-residents, \$30.00 fee (\$630); 6 Permits for seniors, no fee; and 3 Permits for youth, no fee

Recreational Use of the York River by Paddle Boards, Kayaks and Canoes (Non-fee, non-tour groups)

Extent of use unknown. Popular public access points: Strawberry Island and Scotland Bridge; limited access at Grant House/Goodrich Park.

Recreational Use of the York River for fishing (Non-fee)

Extent of use unknown. State angler data from MDMR for the York River is extremely limited.