

Astoria's economy was founded on and dominated by resource industries - including fur trading, fishing and canneries, and timber - for over 150 years





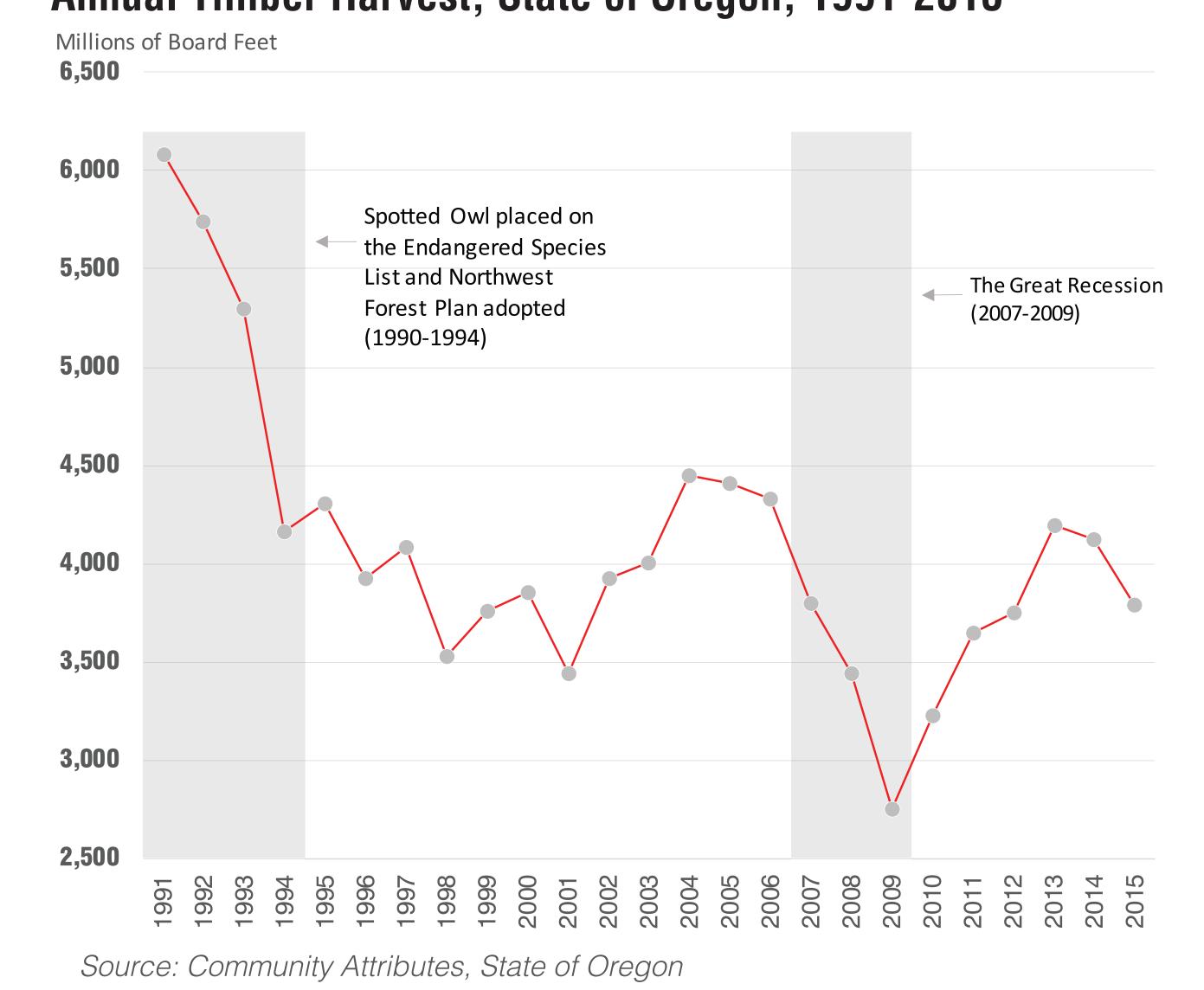




Far left: dungeness crab fishing in Astoria, Oregon, 1943. Middle left: Bumblebee tuna cans, and a Pacific Fur Company bear trap. Above: loging camp, Oregon, 1893.

By the late 20th century these industries had declined significantly as drivers of the local and regional economy

Annual Timber Harvest, State of Oregon, 1991-2015





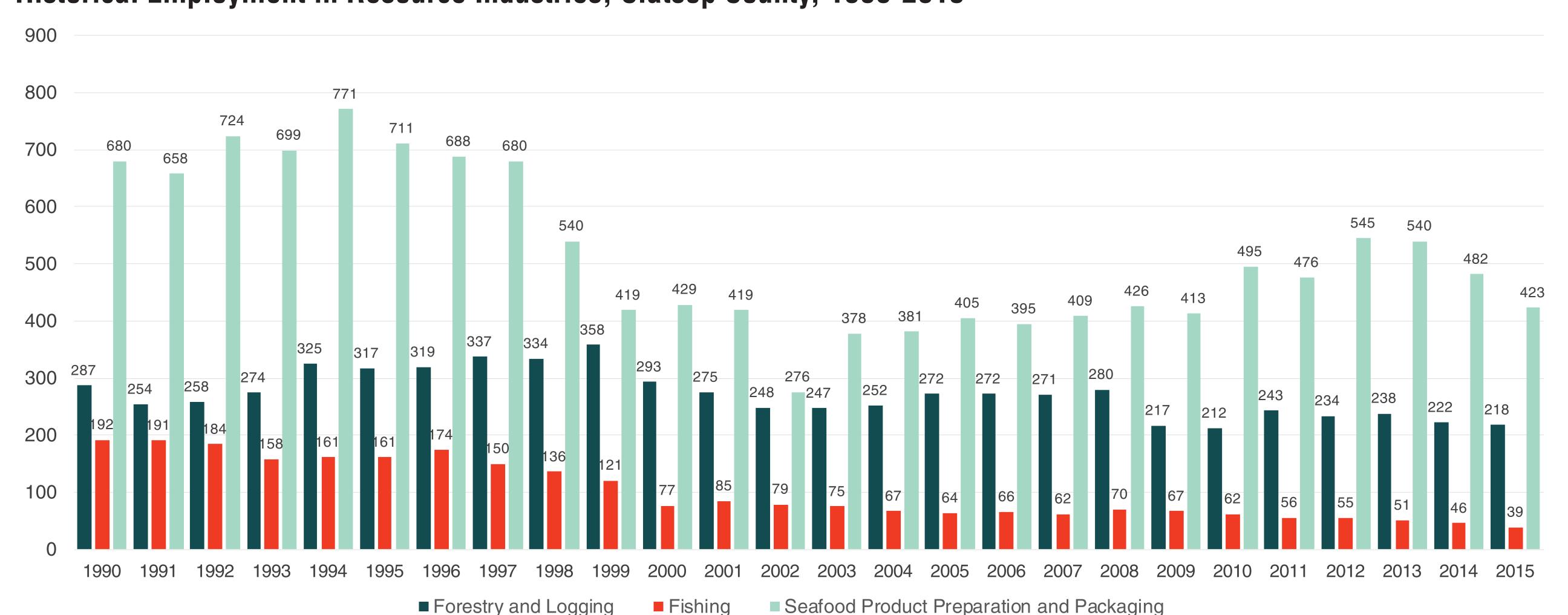
In 1989, the Astoria Plywood Mill (shown here in 1955), Astoria's largest employer at the time, closed its doors.



In the 1940's, nearly 30 canneries operated along the Columbia River. In 1974, Bumblebee Seaood moved its headquarters out of Astoria, and closed its last cannery in 1980.

...this used to be a town driven by timber and fishing. The fisheries have steadily declined, with a huge drop in the 1970's. Commercial fishing has gone from being a dominant industry here to a tertiary one.

Historical Employment in Resource Industries, Clatsop County, 1990-2015



Source: Community Attributes, State of Oregon, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Note: Seasonal employment is often unavailable in the data, which may lead certain industries with high levels of seasonal employment to be underrepresented.