

Weekly Alaska Salmon Harvest Update #6

Harvest Through Statistical Week 28

(Figures Shown in Thousands of Fish)

	Sockeye			Pink			Keta			Coho			Chinook		
	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YoY	YTD 2017	YTD 2019	YoY	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YoY	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YoY	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YoY
AYK	2	2	0%	17	69	306%	734	259	-65%	0	0	-	15	3	-80%
Kodiak	381	494	30%	853	2,493	192%	280	112	-60%	16	15	-6%	2	4	100%
Chignik	0	0	-	305	0	-100%	1	0	-100%	0	0	-	0	0	-
AK Pen. & Aleutian Is.	2,039	2,047	0%	2,045	9,775	378%	792	697	-12%	86	99	15%	13	20	54%
Bristol Bay	28,398	33,668	19%	13	2	-85%	1,043	768	-26%	0	0	-	43	28	-35%
Cook Inlet	762	479	-37%	120	122	2%	88	9	-90%	53	11	-79%	3	1	-67%
Prince William Sound	1,161	2,031	75%	9,328	6,769	-27%	2,508	4,081	63%	2	0	-100%	7	17	143%
Southeast	52	73	40%	2,004	227	-89%	2,933	319	-89%	108	53	-51%	106	88	-17%
Statewide	32,795	38,794	18%	14,685	19,457	32%	8,379	6,245	-25%	265	178	-33%	189	161	-15%

2019 YTD through 7/13/19; 2018 YTD through 7/14/18. Data is subject to revision.

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

Summary

As of Saturday, July 13, about 65 million salmon have been harvested in Alaska this season. While keta production is slow, sockeye landings are exceeding expectations and pink volume is generally strong.

Sockeye harvest, at 39 million fish landed YTD, is closing in on — and expected to exceed — ADF&G's forecast for 42 million fish. Bristol Bay is 19 percent ahead of 2018 with last week's harvest of 14.5 million fish possibly the third-strongest weekly harvest on record. Although most other areas of the state are trending above 2018, Cook Inlet is lagging and Chignik has posted zero landings.

With about four weeks until the peak of the fishery, YTD pink landings are nearly one-third above 2017. However, the strength of the 2019 harvest comes from record-breaking early-season volume; last week's slower fishing in PWS and Southeast have dampened this year's pace. Landings in Kodiak, AYK, and AK Peninsula & Aleutian Islands continue to beat 2017's volume.

Based on the five-year average, last week was the peak for keta production. Keta harvest is currently 25 percent behind 2018 and 19 percent below the long-term average. Excluding PWS, all areas in Alaska are below YTD 2018 harvest levels. It should be noted last year's harvest was buoyed by a late-season increase: 57 percent of 2018's keta harvest took place after statistical week 28.

Although the peak of coho landings is still roughly seven weeks away, early indicators are slow: YTD volume is a third lower than 2018 and half of the five-year average. Harvest of 161,000 chinook is 15 percent lower than 2018 at the same point in the season.

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2019 Harvest v. Forecast

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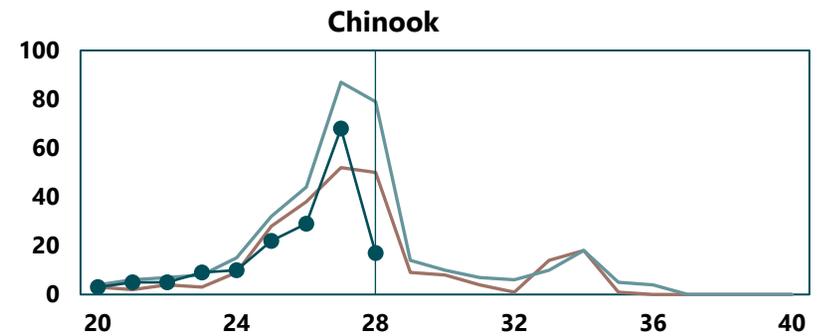
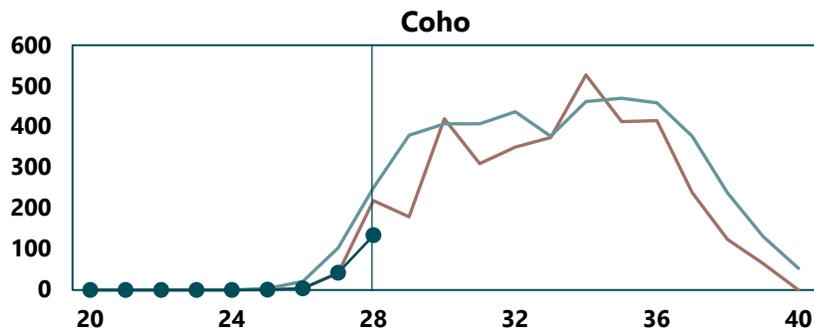
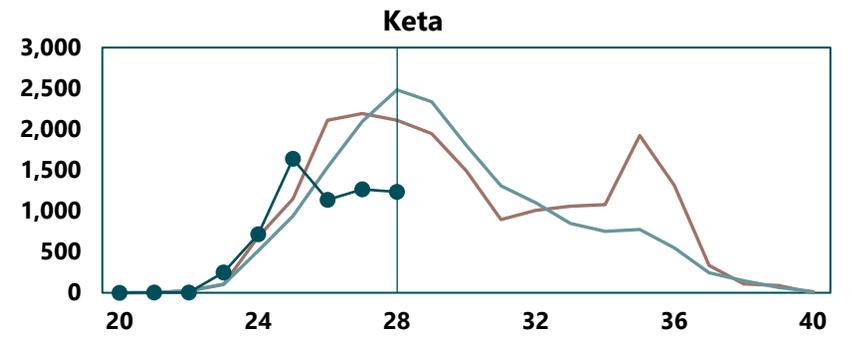
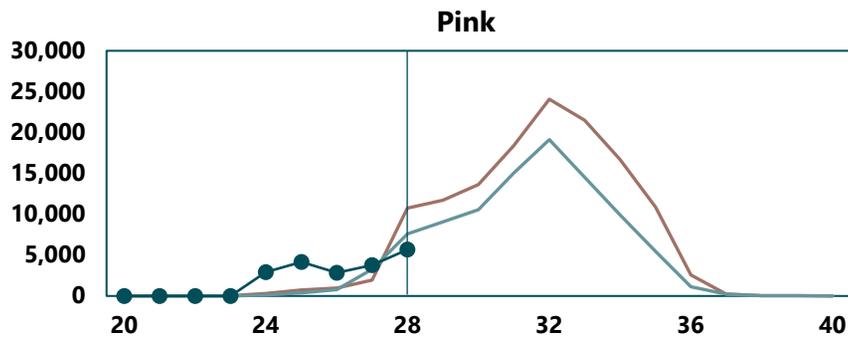
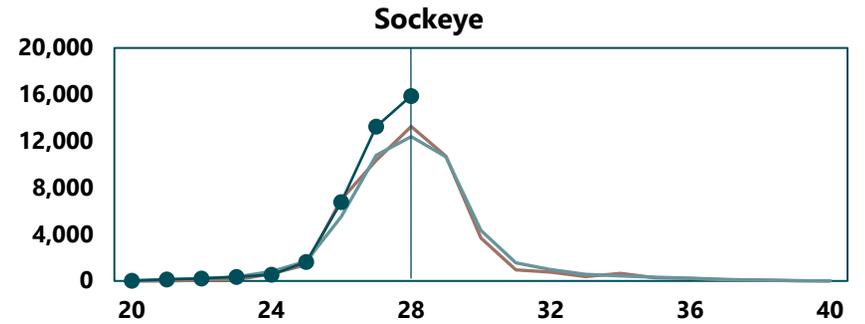
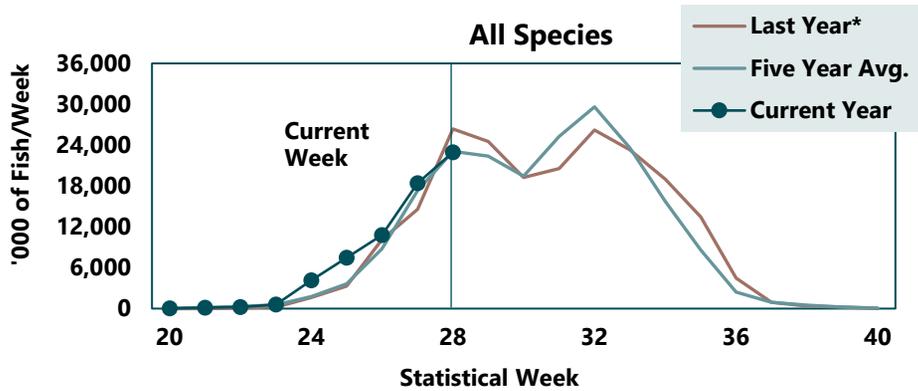
	Harvest	Forecast	% Realized
Sockeye	38,794	41,686	93%
Pink	19,457	137,830	14%
Keta	6,245	28,962	22%
Coho	178	4,628	4%
Chinook	161	250	64%
Total	64,835	213,356	30%



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Salmon Harvest by Statistical Week, 2019

(Thousands of Fish per Week)



*Last year uses 2017 pink salmon instead of 2018 (most recent odd-year).

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

Statistical Week	18-22	23-26	27-31	32-35	36-40
Approximate Mth.	May	June	July	August	September