

Weekly Alaska Salmon Harvest Update #1

(Thousand Fish)

Harvest Through Statistical Week 24

	Sockeye			Pink			Keta			Coho			Chinook		
	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	YoY	YTD 2018	YTD 2020	YoY	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	YoY	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	YoY	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	YoY
AYK	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
Kodiak	22	17	-23%	0	0	-	16	1	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
Chignik	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
AK Pen. & Aleutian Is.	254	0	-100%	102	0	-	99	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
Bristol Bay	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
Cook Inlet	93	58	-38%	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	1	-
Prince William Sound	646	114	-82%	0	0	-	256	221	-14%	0	0	-	16	4	-75%
Southeast	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	6	6	0%
Statewide	1,015	189	-81%	102	0	-	371	222	-40%	0	0	-	22	11	-50%

2020 YTD through 6/14/20; 2019 YTD through 6/13/19. Data is subject to revision. Some YoY comparisons have been excluded.

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

The 2020 Alaska salmon season is off to a slow start, but it is too early to draw any conclusions. In an average year less than 10% of the annual harvest occurs in May and June. Harvests typically expand modestly over the next two weeks before climbing sharply in early July.

Early season harvest figures are below historical averages. PWS is particularly slow with sockeye and Chinook landings down around 80% from the same time in 2019 and 70% lower than the 5-year average. Seine harvest of keta in PWS is running counter to this weakness with harvest roughly double the 5-year average. Cook Inlet fishing is slow compared to last year, but nearly equal to the 5-year average. Kodiak is also off to a slow start along with Alaska Peninsula & Aleutian Islands (Area M).

ADF&G is projecting a harvest of 132 million salmon in 2020, a level similar to other even-numbered years. The pink harvest is expected to be on the lower-end of recent even-numbered years. The projected sockeye harvest is below the 5-year average but higher than the 10-year average. Anticipated keta and coho harvests are nearly equal to the 5-year average, and the expected production of 320,000 Chinook would represent a third year of increasing catch if realized.

ADF&G uses *number of fish* to describe projected and in-season harvest. Because the average weight of salmon can change more than 15% year-to-year, a million fish in one year will produce a different amount of processed products than a million fish in another year. As possible, we will share commentary on average fish size throughout the season.

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2020 Harvest v. Projection

(Thousand Fish)

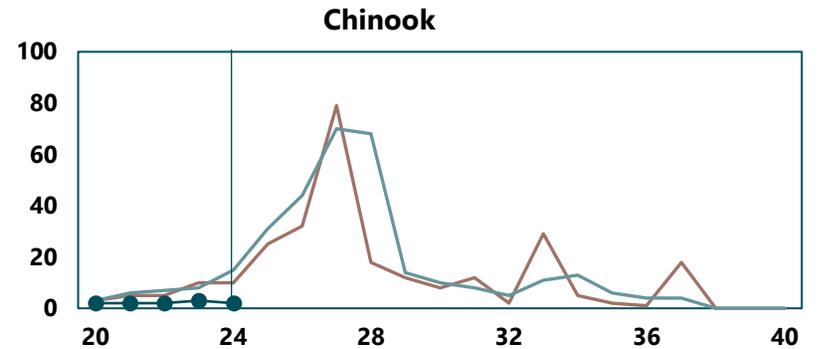
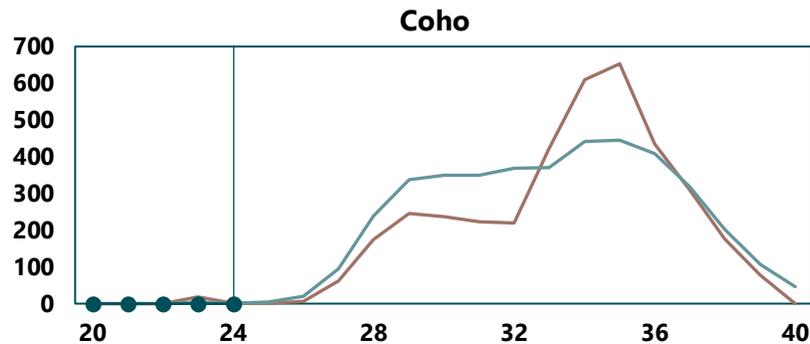
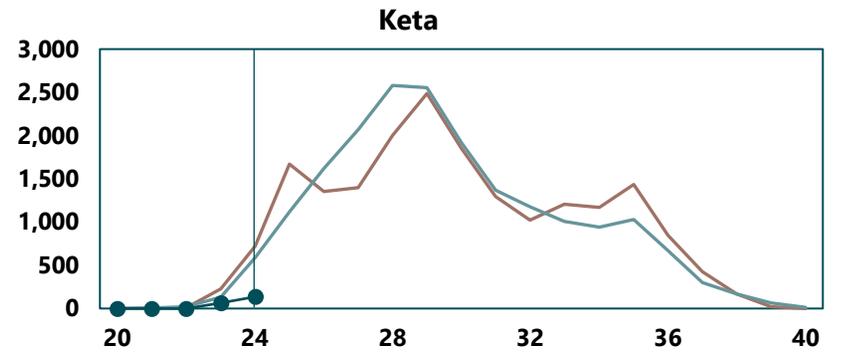
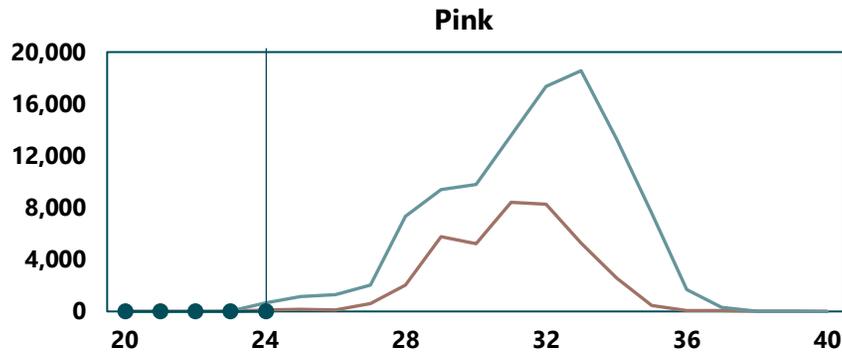
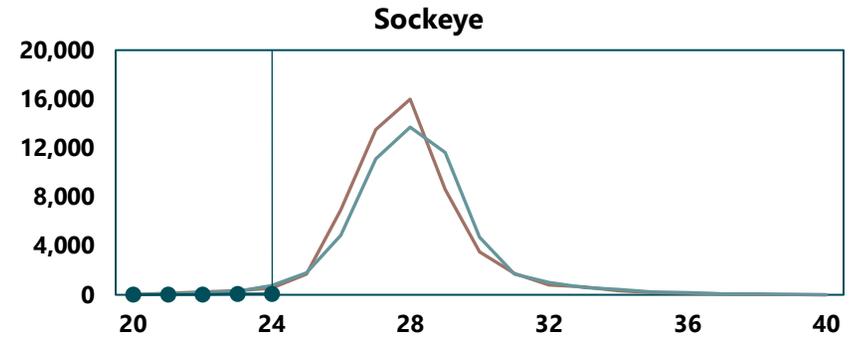
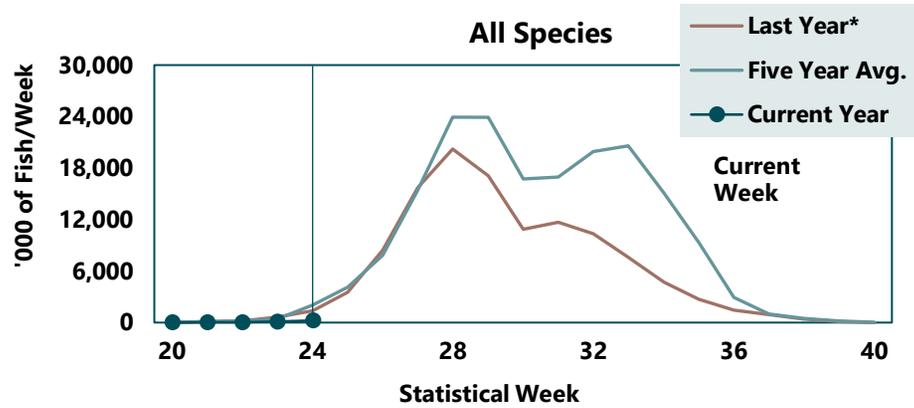
	Harvest	Projection	% Realized
Sockeye	189	48,100	<1%
Pink	0	60,600	0%
Keta	222	19,400	1%
Coho	0	4,200	0%
Chinook	11	320	3%
Total	422	132,620	<1%



Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute

Salmon Harvest by Statistical Week, 2020

(Thousands of Fish per Week)



*Last year uses 2018 pink salmon instead of 2019 (most recent even-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