

# 2021 Weekly Alaska Salmon Harvest Update #4

Harvest Through Statistical Week 27 (7/3/2021)

(Thousand Fish)

	Sockeye			Pink			Keta			Coho			Chinook		
	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YoY	YTD 2019	YTD 2021	YoY	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YoY	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YoY	YTD 2020*	YTD 2021*	YoY
AYK	6	0	-100%	55	0	-100%	24	0	-100%	0	0	-	4	0	-100%
Kodiak	153	615	302%	1,045	59	-94%	108	38	-65%	0	0	-	1	0	-100%
Chignik	0	0	-	2	0	-100%	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
Alaska Peninsula	556	3,775	579%	9,400	3,254	-65%	491	802	63%	0	3	-	3	2	-33%
Bristol Bay	6,034	11,941	98%	1	0	-100%	89	123	38%	0	0	-	7	2	-71%
Cook Inlet	236	201	-15%	14	1	-93%	3	2	-33%	0	0	-	3	1	-67%
Prince William Sound	723	756	5%	4,130	236	-94%	881	1,563	77%	0	0	-	6	7	17%
Southeast	21	5	-76%	87	9	-90%	344	37	-89%	19	1	-95%	65	30	-54%
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>7,729</b>	<b>17,293</b>	<b>124%</b>	<b>14,734</b>	<b>3,559</b>	<b>-76%</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>2,565</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-79%</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-53%</b>

Note: Data is subject to revision and excludes some volume to maintain confidentiality. Regional totals may not sum to statewide total. \*Chinook figures exclude harvest before week 20.

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

Alaska's salmon harvest has continued to accelerate over the past three weeks, after initially lagging behind last year's pace in early June. This year's year-to-date harvest of about 23.5 million fish is now about 96% the year-to-date harvest for 2020 (2019 for pink salmon), up from 82% last week.

While salmon fishing in general is still slightly behind the year-to-date benchmark, the harvest remains up from last year for sockeye salmon (up 124%) and keta salmon (up 32%). But while the sockeye harvest has continued to track the five-year average, the keta harvest remains well below it (down 50%). Pink salmon harvests are down 76% compared to 2019, but that was a year with particularly large early-season run. The 2021 pink salmon year-to-date harvest is down less (56%) compared to the average of the previous three odd-numbered years to date.

The Alaska Peninsula and Bristol Bay continue to be the most productive salmon harvest regions. In Bristol Bay, 9.6 million salmon (almost all sockeye) were caught last week. The cumulative 2021 Bristol Bay sockeye harvest to date of almost 12 million fish is about twice to the 2020 year to date total. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game season forecast predicted a total Bristol Bay harvest of more than 34 million sockeye for 2021.

## 2021 Harvest v. Projection

(Thousand Fish)

	Harvest	Projection	% Realized
Sockeye	17,293	46,577	37%
Pink	3,559	124,210	3%
Keta	2,565	15,272	17%
Coho	4	3,807	0%
Chinook	42	269	16%
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,463</b>	<b>190,135</b>	<b>12%</b>

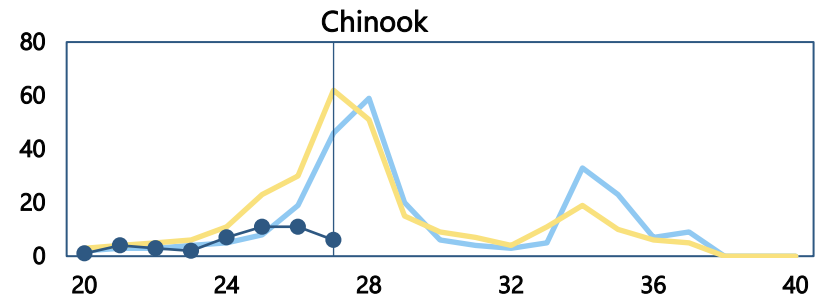
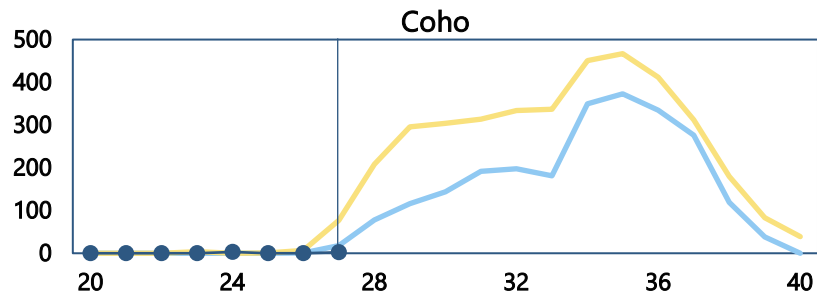
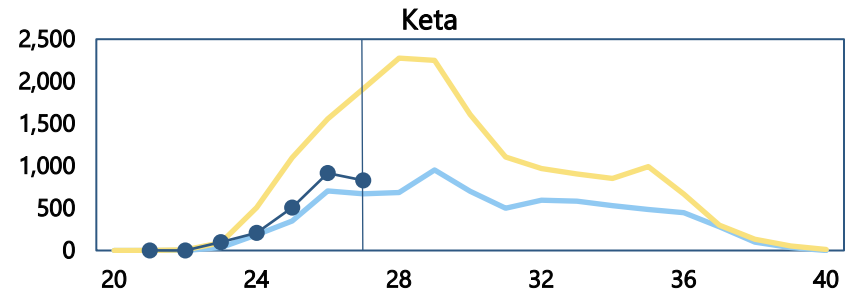
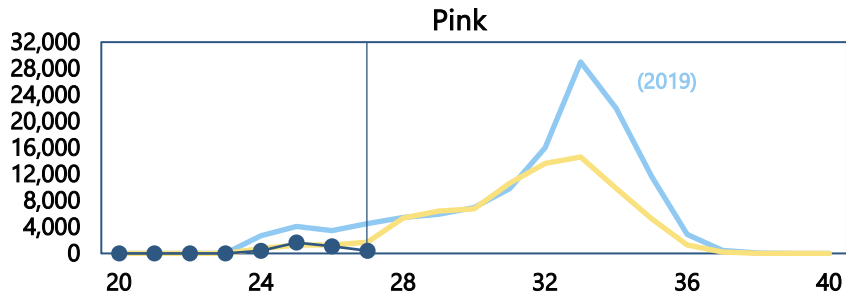
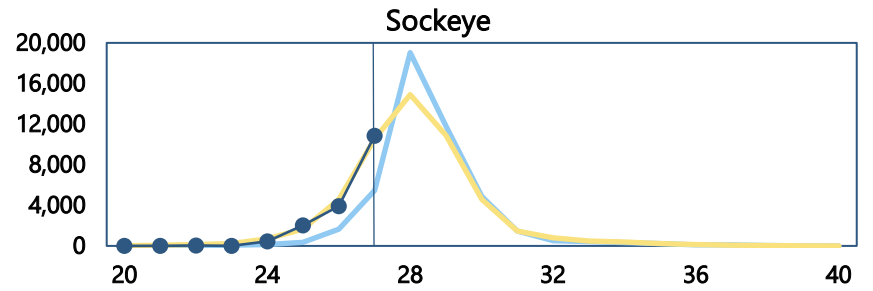
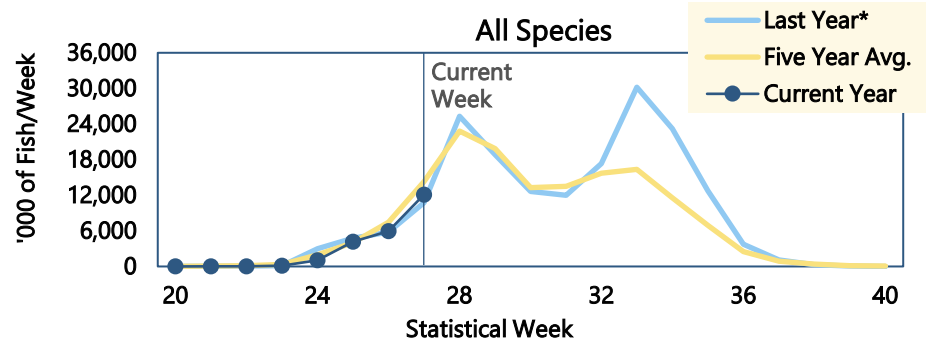


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# Salmon Harvest by Statistical Week, 2021

(Thousands of Fish per Week)



\*Last year uses 2019 pink salmon instead of 2020 (most recent odd-year).

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

Statistical Week	19-22	23-27	28-31	32-35	36-40
Approximate Mth.	May	June	July	August	September