

# 2023 Weekly Alaska Salmon Harvest Update #9

Harvest Through 8/12/2023 (Statistical Week 32)

(Estimated ex-vessel metric tons)

	Sockeye			Pink			Keta			Coho			Chinook*		
	YTD 2022	YTD 2023	YoY	YTD 2021	YTD 2023	YoY	YTD 2022	YTD 2023	YoY	YTD 2022	YTD 2023	YoY	YTD 2022	YTD 2023	YoY
AYK	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	357	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Kodiak	3,286	2,913	-11%	6,842	11,764	+72%	1,160	1,791	+54%	52	281	+440%	26	17	-35%
Chignik	662	2,082	+215%	332	703	+112%	139	199	+43%	62	78	+26%	7	2	-71%
Alaska Peninsula	18,065	6,128	-66%	7,803	6,325	-19%	1,955	1,994	+2%	69	313	+354%	48	23	-52%
Bristol Bay	139,667	99,926	-28%	4	3	-25%	751	629	-16%	18	18	-	31	20	-35%
Cook Inlet	3,241	4,240	+31%	1,145	2,965	+159%	429	410	-4%	208	206	-1%	11	-	-100%
Prince William Sound	4,204	4,594	+9%	47,969	50,665	+6%	5,967	13,621	+128%	7	47	+571%	80	49	-39%
Southeast	2,226	1,717	-23%	29,507	37,576	+27%	18,982	26,144	+38%	1,218	1,363	+12%	923	632	-32%
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>171,351</b>	<b>121,600</b>	<b>-29%</b>	<b>93,602</b>	<b>110,005</b>	<b>+18%</b>	<b>29,383</b>	<b>45,145</b>	<b>+54%</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>2,311</b>	<b>+41%</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>-34%</b>

Note: YTD comparisons are based on statistical weeks. Statistical weeks between years do not align with calendar dates. Metric ton estimates are based on fish counts and average weight estimates. Data are subject to revision.

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game . \*Chinook figures exclude harvest before week 20.

Statewide harvests were down year-over-year for four of Alaska's five salmon species in the most recent week of harvest data. However, large harvests of pink salmon drew the statewide total closer to the year-to-date benchmark. Through Statistical Week 32, the total harvest is down about 6% from 2022 (2021 for pinks).

The statewide pink salmon harvest, which is likely nearing its peak, has now exceeded 110,000 metric tons, near the estimated weight of the nearly complete 2023 sockeye salmon harvest. The pink salmon harvest is up from last week's updates because of both Statistical Week 32 harvest and Alaska Department of Fish & Game revisions to Statistical Week 31 data. Most of the pink salmon harvest has come from Prince William Sound and Southeast. Pink salmon harvests are also up in Kodiak.

The keta harvest is up 54% year-over-year because of the strength of the harvest in July. However, the keta harvest has been waning over the past three weeks. Early season coho salmon harvests are up 41% year-over-year, but down 16% from the five-year-average harvest.

Across all species, about three-quarters of the statewide pre-season harvest forecast has been caught. The usual peak of the season has not yet arrived for two species: pink and coho salmon.

## 2023 Harvest vs. Projection (Thousands of Fish)

	Harvest	Projection	% Realized
Sockeye	48,709	48,188	101%
Pink	82,304	122,213	67%
Keta	14,796	16,004	92%
Coho	865	2,960	29%
Chinook	167	242	69%
<b>Total</b>	<b>146,841</b>	<b>189,607</b>	<b>77%</b>

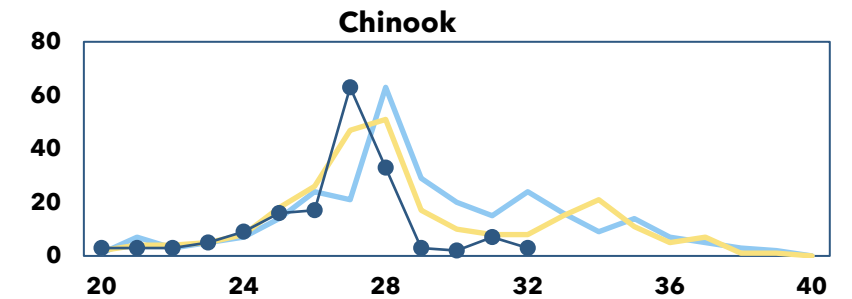
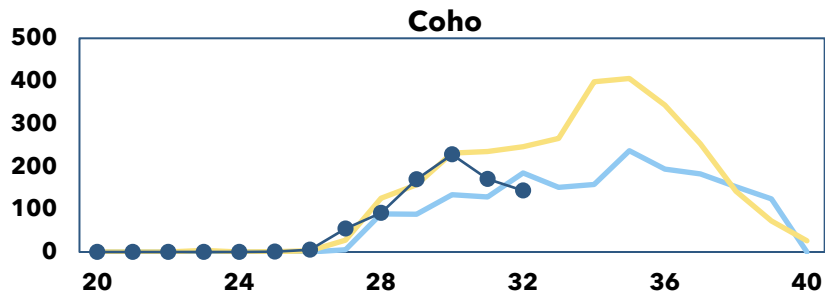
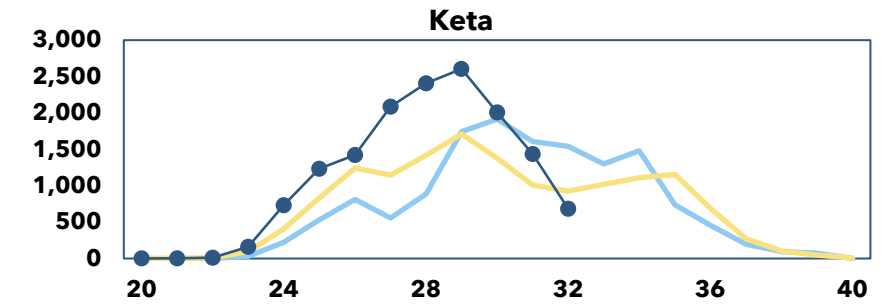
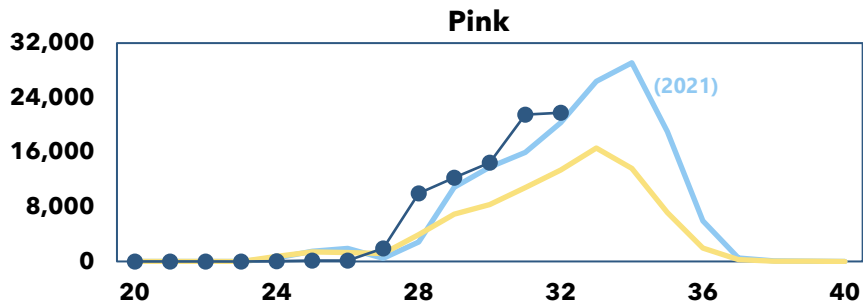
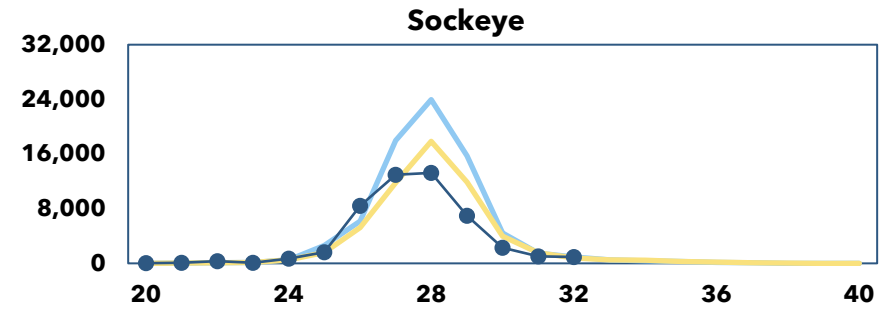
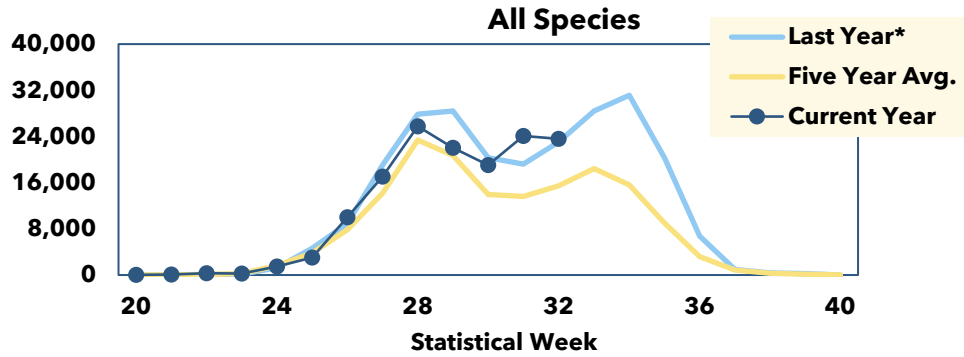


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# Salmon Harvest by Statistical Week, 2023

(Thousands of fish per week)



\*Last year uses 2021 pink salmon instead of 2022 (most recent odd-year).

Source: Alaska Department of Fish & Game. (See ADF&G Blue Sheet page for more about statistical weeks)

Statistical Week	19-22	23-26	28-30	31-35	36-39
Approximate Month	May	June	July	August	September