

2026 Weekly Alaska Salmon Harvest Update #6

Harvest Through 7/18/2026 (Statistical Week 29)

(Thousands of fish)

	Sockeye			Pink			Keta			Coho			Chinook*		
	YTD 2025	YTD 2026	YoY	YTD 2024	YTD 2026	YoY	YTD 2025	YTD 2026	YoY	YTD 2025	YTD 2026	YoY	YTD 2025	YTD 2026	YoY
AYK	-	-	-	2	1	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kodiak	524	391	-25%	91	5	-95%	426	85	-80%	17	-	-	-	-	-
Chignik	412	477	+16%	14	52	+271%	17	92	+441%	2	-	-	-	-	-
Alaska Peninsula	1,668	3,479	+109%	341	960	+182%	661	413	-38%	64	3	-	4	2	-
Bristol Bay	39,544	23,002	-42%	2	-	-	490	237	-52%	6	-	-	2	1	-
Cook Inlet	1,999	36	-98%	13	-	-	61	5	-92%	36	-	-	-	-	-
Prince William Sound	1,120	583	-48%	4,224	50	-99%	4,402	736	-83%	11	3	-	5	3	-
Southeast	239	113	-53%	924	79	-91%	4,921	2,317	-53%	144	22	-85%	91	35	-62%
Statewide	45,506	28,081	-38%	5,611	1,147	-80%	10,983	3,890	-65%	280	28	-90%	102	41	-60%

Note: YTD comparisons are based on statistical weeks. Statistical weeks between years do not align with calendar dates. Data are subject to revision. YoY change only shown for regions with more than 5,000 fish harvested per year.

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

- The Alaska commercial salmon harvest through July 18 surpassed 33 million fish, reaching 27% of the annual projection. This season continues to lag significantly behind the average; harvest through statistical week 29 historically represents 36% of the annual projection.
- Pink salmon harvests currently lag 80% behind harvests in 2024. Pink harvests are down most in Prince William Sound. A recent aerial survey showed "minimal" numbers of pink salmon specifically in the Eastern District of the Sound, according to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. The Valdez Fisheries Development Association reported pausing cost recovery fishing in order to build hatchery brood stock.
- Keta harvests are 65% below 2025 through statistical week 29, with the Chignik fishery remaining the only keta fishery currently above its 2025 harvest. Similar to pink salmon harvests, keta harvests in Prince William Sound have been severely hindered by low returns and fewer fishery openings.
- Both Bristol Bay and Copper River sockeye have been larger than fish caught in 2025. Copper River sockeye have averaged 5.8 pounds and Bristol Bay sockeye have averaged 5.2 pounds across the 2026 season.

2026 Harvest vs. Projection

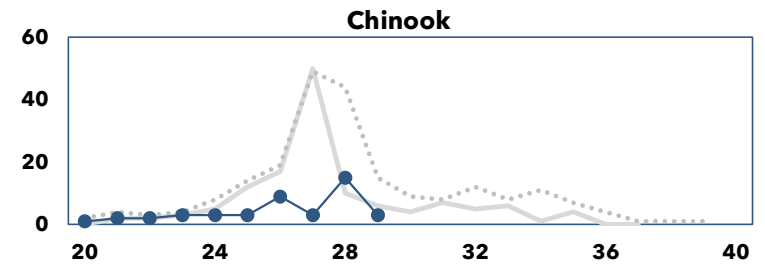
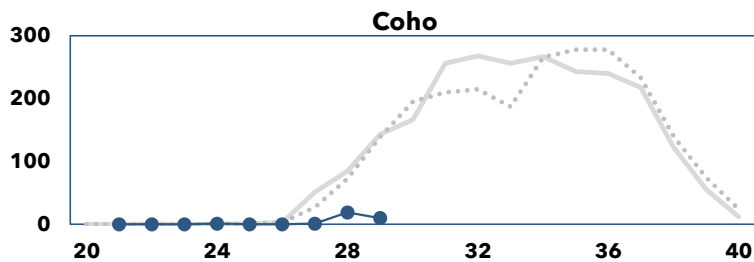
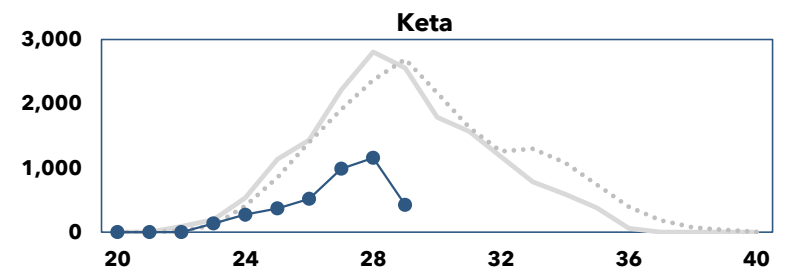
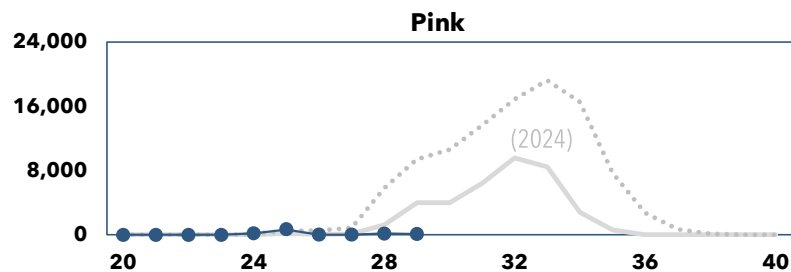
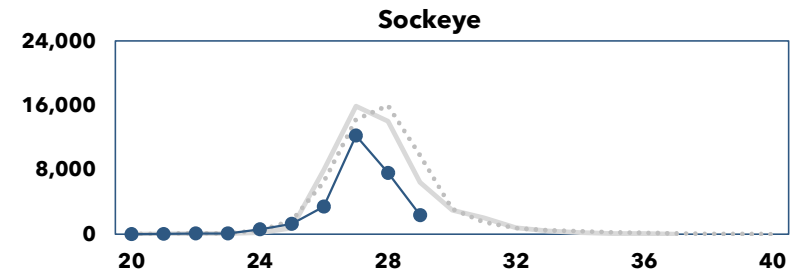
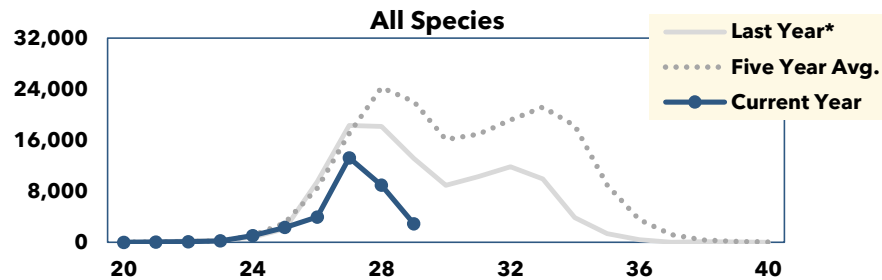
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	Harvest	Annual Projection	% Realized
Sockeye	28,081	44,901	63%
Pink	1,147	55,981	2%
Keta	3,890	17,184	23%
Coho	28	2,422	1%
Chinook	41	196	21%
Total	33,187	120,684	27%



Salmon Harvest by Statistical Week, 2026

(Thousands of fish per week)



*Last year uses 2024 pink salmon instead of 2025 (most recent even-year).

Source: ADF&G. 2025 harvest after statistical week 36 based on prior year harvest due to unavailable data.

(See ADF&G Blue Sheet page for more about statistical weeks)

Statistical Week	19-22	23-26	27-31	32-35	36-39
Approximate Month	May	June	July	August	September

2026 Average Fish Weights

Bristol Bay sockeye: 5.2 pounds

Copper River sockeye: 5.8 pounds

