# Intra-annual and inter-annual variation in estimated stock compositions of Chinook salmon in the QCI troll fishery 

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## Intra-annual variation

- Does stock composition of Chinook salmon off the northwest coast of the Queen Charlotte Islands display seasonal changes?
- Average monthly stock compositions determined for samples 2002-2006.

April


May


## June



July


## August



September


## Intra-annual variation by major stock

## Oregon



Columbia


## Washington



## Fraser



## WCVI



## Northern BC



## Inter-annual variation by major stock

## Oregon



## Columbia River



## Washington



## Fraser River



## West Coast Vancouver Island



## Impact on WCVI Chinook

Average Total Fishing Mortality


## Robertson Creek fishing mortality



## Summary

- Managers moved fishery away from areas of high WCVI abundance. Area 2W often closed and 1 mile ribbon boundary in Area 1 to keep trollers off beach.
- Incremental catch 2002-2006 attributable to change in management strategy was about 558,000 fish.
- Exploitation rate of RCH indicator stock declined from 3.2\% during 1995-2001 to 2.3\% 20022005.


## Sockeye salmon loci in DFO baseline

| Locus | Alleles |
| :--- | ---: |
| Oki1a | 8 |
| Oki1b | 10 |
| Ots107 | 15 |
| Omy77 | 20 |
| Ots2 | 26 |
| Ots3 | 26 |
| Oki16 | 26 |
| Ots108 | 29 |
| Ots103 | 30 |
| One8 | 32 |
| Ots100 | 33 |
| Oki6 | 37 |
| Oki29 | 39 |
| Oki10 | 83 |
| DAB-ß1 | 15 |

Sockeye salmon: Summary of the number of sampling sites or populations within geographic regions from Beacham et al. (2006). Range of annual and population samples sizes within regions is in parentheses. Fourteen microsatellite loci and an MHC locus were surveyed.

| Region | Number of | Mean annual sample size | Mean population |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | populations | sample size |  |
| Columbia River | 2 | $71(15,194)$ | $285(68,502)$ |
| Washington | 3 | $114(50,201)$ | $114(50,201)$ |
| Fraser River | 53 | $94(5,400)$ | $270(15,858)$ |
| West coast Vancouver | 15 | $90(19,197)$ | $132(19,279)$ |
| Island |  | $108(42,290)$ | $288(203,367)$ |
| Nimpkish River | 3 | $114(12,219)$ | $171(18,325)$ |


| Central BC | 16 | $79(27,223)$ | $97(27,223)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Owikeno Lake | 10 | $77(7,114)$ | $224(86,398)$ |
| Long Lake | 3 | $99(39,205)$ | $297(139,490)$ |
| Queen Charlotte | 5 | $71(41,99)$ | $114(41,190)$ |
| Islands |  |  |  |
| Nass River | 11 | $96(24,264)$ | $313(40,797)$ |
| Skeena River | 14 | $78(33,200)$ | $151(33,287)$ |
| Babine Lake | 11 | $95(54,200)$ | $208(78,499)$ |
| Unuk River | 1 | $50(50,50)$ | $152(26,474)$ |
| Stikine River | 17 | $57(12,100)$ | $86(12,199)$ |
| Taku River | 10 | $83(10,238)$ | $144(10,592)$ |
| Alsek River | 15 | $151(45,343)$ | $197(45,300)$ |
| Southeast Alaska | 20 |  |  |

## Coho salmon loci in DFO baseline

Locus<br>Ots2<br>Ots3<br>Ots101<br>Ots103<br>Oki1<br>Oki10<br>Oki100<br>Oki101<br>Ogo2<br>Omy325<br>One111<br>OtsG253b<br>Ssa408<br>Alpha1<br>Alpha2

Coho salmon: Summary of the number of regions, sampling sites or populations within geographic regions, and individuals surveyed. Thirteen microsatellite loci and two MHC loci were surveyed.

| Region | \# of collections | \# of coho |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Transboundary | 7 | 700 |
| SE Alaska | 9 | 1450 |
| QCI | 20 | 1400 |
| Nass | 3 | 750 |
| Skeena | 29 | 4500 |
| Central Coast | 40 | 5850 |
| South Coast | 28 | 3650 |
| ECVI | 22 | 6350 |
| WCVI | 13 | 4300 |
| Fraser | 47 | 13,300 |
| Washington | 15 | 1400 |
| Columbia | 9 | 800 |
| Oregon | 10 | 850 |
| California | 4 | 150 |

