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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Estimates of catches and escapements of pacific salmon returning to the transboundary Stikine, Taku, and Alsek Rivers for 1991 are presented and compared with historical patterns. Relevant information pertaining to the management of appropriate U.S. and Canadian fisheries is presented and the use of inseason management models is discussed.

Beginning with this report, chinook salmon escapement data are presented using index counts only. In previous reports, through 1990, various expansion factors were applied to index counts to estimate escapements. The Transboundary Technical Committee (TTC) concluded that index counts were a more appropriate measure of escapement since there is little or no scientific basis for the expansion factors.

The 1991 Stikine sockeye run was estimated at 154,500 fish, of which $59,500 \mathrm{fish}$ were harvested and 95,000 escaped to spawn. The estimated U.S. commercial and test fishery catches of stikine stocks were 33,700 and 700 fish, respectively; the Canadian commercial, Indian food, and test fishery catches were 18,300, 4,400 , and 2,400 fish, respectively. The preseason forecast of the sockeye run was 94,000 fish. The Stikine Management Model correctly predicted a larger than average portion of the run being from the Tahltan stock. Weekly inseason model forecasts ranged from 72,400 to 192,200 sockeye salmon; the final inseason prediction was 112,600 fish. The model predictions exceeded the total run size during the first two weeks of July, was close to the postseason run estimate during the third week in July, and decreased thereafter to a final estimate approximately $27 \%$ under the postseason estimate of 91,000 Tahltan and 63,500 nonTahltan fish. Total allowable catch (TAC) estimates are derived from predictions of the stikine sockeye run. During the directed sockeye fishery inseason, harvest estimates for both Canada and the U.S. were less than the inseason TAC allowed under the Pacific Salmon Treaty. Catches were well below the allowable harvest range estimated from the postseason analysis. The escapement of 50,100 fish to Tahltan Lake was $36 \%$ above the 1986 to 1990 average, and above the 20,000 to 40,000 goal established by the TTC. The estimated escapement of 44,900 nonTahltan Stikine sockeye salmon was also above the 20,000 to 40,000 fish goal.

The chinook catch in Canadian fisheries in the Stikine River was 2,200 fish, 4\% less than the 1981 to 1990 average, with 51\% harvested in commercial fisheries and $49 \%$ harvested in the Indian food fishery. The U.S. marine catch of chinook salmon in the District 106 and 108 mixed stock gillnet fisheries was $3,600 \mathrm{fish}$, approximately 2.4 times the 1981 to 1990 average catch. The chinook spawning escapement through the Little Tahltan weir in 1991 was 4,500 large adults, close to the 1985 to 1990 average but below the interim escapement goal of 5,300 fish.

The U.S. marine harvest of Stikine River coho salmon is not known since there is no stock identification program in place; however, total mixed stock coho catches in District 106 and 108 were more than three and two times the 1981 to 1990 averages, respectively. An estimated $32.5 \%$ of District 106 and $21.8 \%$ of District 108 coho harvests were of Alaska hatchery origin. The Canadian inriver coho catch was 2,600 , less than the Treaty entitlement of $4,000 \mathrm{fish}$. Coho aerial survey escapement counts were above average.

The Stikine River runs of pink and chum salmon are typically very small. In 1991, Canadian catches of these two species were approximately 400 and 200 fish, respectively. These were $34 \%$ and $39 \%$ of the 1981 to 1990 averages for pink and chum salmon, respectively. The steelhead catch was estimated to be 72 fish.

The 1991 total Taku sockeye run was estimated at 256,100 fish and included an estimated catch of 131,000 fish and an escapement of 125,100 fish. The U.S. harvest of Taku sockeye stocks, estimated by analysis of scale patterns, was 103,400 fish in the commercial fishery and 700 in the test fishery. An additional 1,500 Taku sockeye salmon were caught in the U.S. inriver personal use fishery. Canadian commercial, Indian food, and test fishery catches were 25,100, 100, and 200 fish, respectively. The Treaty defines harvest sharing of Canadian origin Taku River sockeye salmon as $18 \%$ of the TAC to Canada and $82 \%$ to the U.S. Since the escapement goal set by the $T T C$ is expressed as a range, 71,000 to 80,000 fish, the resulting $T A C$ is also expressed as a range. In 1991, Canada took $13 \%$ to $14 \%$ and the U.S. took $57 \%$ to $60 \%$ of the TAC. The estimated spawning escapement for Taku sockeye salmon exceeded the upper level of the escapement goal range.

The chinook catch in the Canadian commercial fishery in the Taku River was 1,600 fish, three times the 1981 to 1990 average. The chinook catch in the U.S. District 111 mixed stock fishery was 3,200 fish, $47 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average. Above average escapements were observed in most of the Taku River chinook index tributaries in 1991. The combined aerial survey count of six index tributaries was 10,200 fish, which is $20 \%$ above the 1985 to 1990 average of 8,500 fish, but below the revised index escapement goal of 13,200 chinook salmon.

The Taku coho run was strong in 1991. The U.S. harvest of 126,400 coho salmon in the District 111 mixed stock fishery was a record, over three times the 1981 to 1990 average, and almost double the previous record catch of 67,300 coho taken in 1990. An estimated $23 \%(28,700$ fish) of the District 111 coho catch was of local hatchery origin. The Canadian commercial coho catch was 3,400 coho, close to the Treaty limit of 3,000 fish. An additional 2,000 coho were taken in the Canadian inriver test fishery. The mark-recapture estimate of the above border escapement was approximately 130,000 fish which was above the interim escapement goal range of 27,500 to 35,000 fish.

The catch of pink salmon in District 111 was 74,200 fish, approximately $68 \%$ below the 1981 to 1990 odd-year average catch. Low catches were assumed to be caused by depressed pink salmon prices and the extremely small size of the fish which reduced their catchability in gillnets. The Canadian commercial inriver catch of pink salmon was also below average at 300 fish. The escapement of pink salmon to the Taku River was an estimated 576,000 fish, above the interim escapement goal of 150,000 to 200,000 fish.

The catch of chum salmon in the District 111 fishery was 161,200 fish, composed of 147,400 summer run fish (prior to mid-August) and 13,800 fall run fish. The catch of summer chum salmon was composed of coastal Alaskan wild and hatchery stocks and was a record. The catch of fall chum salmon was composed of wild Taku River and Port Snettisham stocks and was $64 \%$ below the 1981 to 1990 average. The Canadian catch of chum salmon was below average at just two fish reported.

The sockeye run to the Alsek River was average. The U.S. Dry Bay catch was

17,500 sockeye salmon, $8 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average catch. The Canadian sport fishery catch of 300 sockeye salmon was approximately $31 \%$ below the 1981 to 1990 average while the Indian food fishery catch of 2,100 fish was $3 \%$ below average. The count of 19,000 sockeye salmon through the Klukshu weir was about equal to the 1986 to 1990 average, as were both the early ( 1,900 fish) and late ( 17,100 ) components of the run. The escapement past the Indian food fishery was estimated at 17,100 fish.

The chinook run to the Alsek River was about average. The U.S. Dry Bay catch of 100 fish was approximately one-third the 1981 to 1990 average. The combined Canadian sport and Indian food fishery catch of 900 fish was nearly twice the 1981 to 1990 average. The chinook count through the Klukshu River weir, 2,500 fish, was above the 1985 to 1990 average of 2,200 fish, but below the interim escapement goal of 4,700 chinook salmon.

The coho run to the Alsek River was above average. The U.S. Dry Bay catch of 6,000 fish was $15 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average and the combined Canadian Indian food and sport fishery catch of 500 fish was five times the 1981 to 1990 average. The Klukshu weir count of 8,500 coho salmon was three times the previous record count.

The U.S. Dry Bay pink and chum salmon catches of 0 and 100 fish, respectively, were near average for pink salmon but only $12 \%$ of the 1981 to 1990 average for chum salmon. There are no recorded Canadian catches of pink or chum salmon in the Alsek River.

## INTRODUCTION

This report presents estimates of the 1991 catches and escapements of Pacific salmon runs to the transboundary Stikine, Taku, and Alsek Rivers and discusses management actions taken by the U.S. and Canada during the fishing season. Catch and effort data are presented by management week (U.S. statistical week) for each river for both U.S. and Canadian fisheries. Spawning escapement data for most species are reported from weir counts or other escapement monitoring techniques. Sockeye runs to the three rivers are reconstructed using harvest data and spawning escapement estimates.

## STIKINE RIVER

Stikine River salmon are harvested by U.S. gillnet fisheries in Alaskan Districts 106 and 108, by Canadian commercial gillnet fisheries located in the lower and upper Stikine River, and by a Canadian Indian food fishery in the upper portion of the river (Figure 1 and Appendices A.1-A.18). Additional catches of unknown quantity are taken in U.S. troll and seine fisheries and in sport fisheries near Wrangell and Petersburg. A small sport fishery also exists in the Canadian portion of the Stikine drainage.

## Harvest Regulations and the Joint Management Model

The harvest and management of Stikine River salmon stocks for the period 1988 to 1992 is governed by Annex IV, Chapter I, of the Pacific Salmon Treaty as negotiated by the Pacific Salmon Commission in February of 1988. Sharing arrangements for sockeye salmon are:

| Total Allowable <br> Sockeye Catch | Canadian Allowable <br> Sockeye Catch |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | :--- | ---: |
|  | From | To | Minimum Maximum |

Under this annex the U.S. is allowed to catch the remainder of the allowable sockeye catch after the Canadian allowable catch is subtracted from the total. However, even when the calculated total allowable catch (TAC) for the U.S. is low or zero, incidental catches of Stikine sockeye salmon are allowed in District 106. In addition, Canada is restricted to an annual catch of 4,000 coho salmon. This schedule, which is conditionally in effect until 1992, is tied to a commitment of the Parties to undertake a cooperative sockeye enhancement program


Figure l. The Stikine River and principal U.S. and Canadian fishing areas.
commencing in 1989, an obligation which was met in 1989 and 1990, and continued through 1991.

Prior to the 1991 season, the TTC updated the management plan and determined new parameters for input into the inseason run forecast model, referred to as the Model. Details regarding these subjects appear in: Salmon Management plan for the Stikine, Taku, and Alsek Rivers, 1991, Pacific Salmon Commission Transboundary Technical Committee Report TCTR (91)-3, June 1991. As required by the annex, a preseason forecast of the total Stikine sockeye run was made to guide the initial fishing patterns of U.S. and Canadian fisheries. In 1991, the preseason forecast was used during statistical weeks 25 (June 16 to June 22) and 26 (June 23 to June 29). Beginning the first week of July, inseason forecasts of total run size and TAC, produced by the Model and based on catch-per-uniteffort (CPUE) data, were used to assist in determining weekly fishing plans (Table 1). The weekly inputs to the Model included: the catch, effort and stock composition (proportion Tahltan) in the Canadian lower river commercial fishery; the upper river catch in the Indian food fishery (IFF) and upper river commercial fishery; the catch, effort and stock composition in Sub-district 106-41; and, the catch and stock composition in District 108 and Sub-district 106-30. The U.S. fishing regime for District 108 as written in the annex is based on TAC and the cumulative catch in District 106.

Table 1. Weekly forecasts of run size and total allowable catch for Stikine River sockeye salmon as determined inseason by the Stikine Management Model, 1991.

|  |  | Forecasts |  |  | U.S. Fishing Regime |  |  | Canada <br> TAC | Cumulative Catch |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Week | Date | Run | Size | TAC | 6 | 8 | TAC |  | U.S. | Canada |

Model Runs Generated by U.S.

| 25 | 16-Jun | 94,000 | 34,000 | I | D | 14,000 | 20,000 | 282 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 94,000 | 34,000 | I | D | 14,000 | 20,000 | 2,105 | 134 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 72,449 | 12,449 | I | I | 2,449 | 10,000 | 3,617 | 2,734 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 159,459 | 99,459 | I | D | 69,459 | 30,000 | 5,897 | 7,529 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 192,246 | 132,246 | I | D | 102,246 | 30,000 | 8,221 | 12,740 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 151,205 | 91,205 | I | D | 61,205 | 30,000 | 8,756 | 17,562 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 130,329 | 70,329 | I | D | 40,329 | 30,000 | 9,180 | 22,020 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 130,487 | 70,487 | I | D | 40,487 | 30,000 | 9,646 | 22,326 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 120,493 | 60,493 | I | D | 30,493 | 30,000 | 9,646 | 22,326 |

Model Runs Generated by Canada

| 25 | 16-Jun | 94,000 | 34,000 | I | D | 14,000 | 20,000 | 282 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 94,000 | 34,000 | I | D | 14,000 | 20,000 | 2,338 | 163 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 72,449 | 12,449 | I | I | 2,449 | 10,000 | 4,249 | 3,050 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 177,333 | 117,333 | I | D | 87,333 | 30,000 | 4,196 ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ | 7,539 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 191,851 | 131,851 | I | D | 101,851 | 30,000 | 4,402 | 14,380 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 148,143 | 88,143 | I | D | 58,143 | 30,000 | 9,272 | 16,289 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 129,918 | 69,918 | I | D | 39,918 | 30,000 | 9,315 | 21,820 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 130,686 | 70,686 | I | D | 40,686 | 30,000 | 9,648 | 22,435 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 122,059 | 62,059 | I | D | 32,059 | 30,000 | 9,761 | 22,653 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 116,369 | 56,369 | I | D | 36,369 | 20,000 | 9,964 | 22,659 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 112,575 | 52,575 | I | D | 32,575 | 20,000 | 10,062 | 22,699 |

[^0]The preseason forecast of 94,000 returning Stikine sockeye salmon was near the 1981 to 1990 average run size of 97,747 sockeye salmon (Appendix B.31). Weekly inseason predictions of total run ranged from 72,449 to 192,246 sockeye salmon; U.S. and Canadian weekly predictions varied slightly because different catch figures and stock compositions were input into the model by each country (Table 1). The maximum forecast of 192,246 sockeye occurred during statistical week 29 (week beginning July 14) and was the result of a strong Tahltan sockeye component. The non-Tahltan run was weaker than the Tahltan run, and model forecasts decreased through the end of the season. By the end of the fishing season, the predicted total run was 112,575 Stikine sockeye salmon with a TAC of 52,575 fish, a Canadian allowable harvest of 20,000 sockeye salmon, and a U.S. allowable harvest of 32,575 sockeye salmon.

The Model is also used to predict the Tahltan portion of the run independently from the total run forecasts. Estimates of the Tahltan run ranged from 9, 200 (week 27) to 67,200 sockeye (week 32) compared to the preseason forecast of 41,830 sockeye salmon.

In 1991 there were misclassification problems during the inseason scale pattern analysis which resulted in underestimation of the Stikine River components of the District 106 and 108 catches. Refer to the "U.S. Fisheries" section for further explanation and action taken inseason. While this affected the estimate of cumulative catches in the marine fisheries, it did not effect the model's predictions of run size since these are calculated from inriver CPUE. The TAC is based on predicted run size, a projected District 108 catch based on catch-todate, and an assumed $10 \%$ exploitation rate in District 106. The District 108 catch represented only about $10 \%$ of the run.

## U.S. Fisheries

The 1991 harvest in the District 106 commercial gillnet fishery included 2,068 chinook, 144,084 sockeye, 197,952 coho, 133,360 pink, and 124,580 chum salmon (Appendix A.7). In the District 108 fishery, 1,504 chinook, 22,275 sockeye, 15,864 coho, 10,935 pink, and 11,402 chum salmon were harvested (Appendix A.10). District 106 catches of pink salmon were below the 1981 to 1990 average, sockeye catches were average, chinook catches were above average and catches of coho and chum salmon were 3 and 2.5 times the average (Figure 2). A test fishery was conducted in District 108 to help managers to ascertain the run strength of various salmon species inseason. No test fisheries were conducted in District 106 due to inconclusive results from past years. Annual commercial and test fishery catches from 1964 to 1991 for these fisheries are provided in Appendix Tables B.l through B.16. Catches of each species in Districts 106 and 108 consist of fish of mixed stock origin; the contribution of Stikine River stocks is estimated only for sockeye salmon.

Scale pattern analysis is used to estimate stock composition in the U.S. marine catches. An estimated $12.4 \%$ of the District 106 sockeye catch was of Stikine River origin (Figure 3). The Sumner Strait fishery (Subdistricts 106-41 \& 42) harvested an estimated 14, 585 Stikine sockeye salmon (Appendix A. 3), 16.3\% of the total sockeye harvest in that subdistrict; the clarence Strait fishery (Subdistrict 106-30) took 3,277 (Appendix A.6), 6.0\% of the catch in that


Figure 2. Average catches and fishing efforts compared with 1991 values for the Alaskan Districts 106 and 108 and for the Canadian commercial fisheries in the Stikine River.


Figure 3. Sockeye catches for the Alaskan Districts 106 and 108 and the combined Canadian fisheries in the Stikine River and Stikine sockeye escapements, 1979-1991. Effort is for commercial fisheries only.
subdistrict; and the District 108 fishery, near the mouth of the Stikine River, harvested 15,794 (Appendix A.11), $70.9 \%$ of the District 108 catch. An estimated 33,656 Stikine sockeye salmon were taken in commercial gillnet fisheries from both districts.

An inseason adjustment was made during statistical week 27 to District 108 sockeye stock composition estimates. The contribution of Skeena River stocks to early season District 108 catches was judged to be unrealistically high. Historical experience indicates that scale patterns from Tahltan Lake fish most often misclassify as Skeena River fish, and that Skeena River fish are usually found in low abundance in District 108. In addition, historical migratory timing information indicates that Skeena stocks would be rare or absent from Districts 106 and 108 early in the season. Therefore, it was decided to omit the Skeena River stock from inseason SPA models used to classify catches in District 108 prior to week 30. Catches prior to statistical week 27 were reclassified using the new models and revised stock composition estimates were generated for these weeks; the inseason estimate of the contribution of Tahltan Lake fish to the District 108 catch increased as a result of this change in methodology. The adjusted estimates were closer to the postseason estimates than the initial estimates were, however, the inseason analysis still underestimated the contribution of Stikine River stocks.

The 1991 fishing season in Districts 106 and 108 began on June 16 and continued until October 8. During the first two weeks (statistical weeks 25 and 26 , June 16 to June 29) of the fishery, both District 106 and 108 were open for two days each week. The initial opening in District 106 is normally two days and any decision to extend fishing time is based on fishery catch rates estimated by management biologists on site in the fishery. The initial District 108 opening was based on the preseason Stikine River sockeye forecast of 94,000 fish. The openings in the third and fourth weeks (statistical weeks 27 and 28 , June 30 to July 13) were set for two days in both districts. However, due to the Model showing a very large TAC after the initial fishing periods (Table 1), additional mid-week fishing periods of one and two days were allowed in District 108 during the third and fourth weeks, respectively. Two days were initially allowed in both districts during the fifth week (statistical week 29, July 14 to July 20). Due to the extremely large U.S. TAC of 102,246 fish shown by the Model, District 108 remained open until further notice to allow the harvest of Stikine sockeye while they were still available. A two-day opening was initially announced for both districts during the statistical week 30 (July 21 to July 27). An additional mid-week two-day opening was announced for District 108 during this week based on the updated Model which showed a U.S. TAC of 40,329 , while the cumulative U.S. catch was estimated at 9,180 Stikine River sockeye salmon. During statistical weeks 31 and 32 (July 28 to August 10), the fisheries were limited to two days each week in both districts due to falling sockeye catches in District 106 and in the Canadian fishery.

The District 106 gillnet fishery normally changes from sockeye to pink salmon management by statistical week 33. However, the early indicators used to manage the pink fishery were not in agreement with each other. Both southern Southeast Alaska and District 106 were forecasted to have excellent pink runs, however, the gillnet pink salmon catches in District 106 had been extremely poor prior to statistical week 33 (August 11). The low harvest was probably due to the low price for pink salmon, reluctance of the fishers to use smaller mesh nets
designed for catching pink salmon, and the small size of pink salmon in 1991 which reduced their catchability in gillnets. The fisheries were opened initially for two days each week during statistical weeks 33 and 34 (August 11 to August 24); however, due to improving pink salmon escapements fishing time in both districts was extended for 24 hours during the latter week in order to harvest pink salmon in excess to escapement needs.

Coho salmon management in the District 106 gillnet fishery usually commences during late August or early September. Due to the lack of fishing effort on pink salmon during the previous two weeks and high coho CPUE, the District 106 management concentrated on coho beginning August 25. The openings for statistical weeks 35 through 38 , August 25 through September 21 , were set for three days each week due to the higher than average coho CPUE and high Alaska hatchery contribution. The openings for the next three weeks (statistical weeks 39 to 41, September 22 to October 12) were limited to two days each week due to concerns over wild stock coho escapements and the over harvesting of females late in the run. An estimated $32.5 \%$ of the District 106 and $21.8 \%$ of the District 108 coho harvests were from Alaskan hatcheries (coded-wire tag estimates).

During the 1991 season, the gillnet fishery in District 106 was open for a total of 39 days (Appendix A.7), and in District 108 for 48.5 days (Appendix A.10). These openings were above the 1981 to 1990 averages of 29 and 18 days, respectively. District 106 fishing effort (number of vessels) remained near average throughout the season. The highest effort occurred during the second and third weeks of July when 138 and 140 vessels fished the district, and again during the last week of August when 138 boats fished. Because of the strong coho and chum runs the fishing season was protracted, resulting in a total effort of 3,623 boat-days in District 106 which was $60.0 \%$ higher than the 1981 to 1990 average (Appendix B.5; Figure 2). District 108 effort was higher than average due to the extended fishing time to harvest the large run of Stikine sockeye and late run of mixed stock coho salmon. The number of boat-days fished in District 108, 696, was three and a half times greater than the 1981 to 1990 average of 197 boat-days (Appendix B.7; Figure 2). The highest effort in District 108 of 80 boats occurred in statistical week 27 (June 30 to July 6).

## Canadian Fisheries

Catches from the combined Canadian commercial and Indian food gillnet fisheries in the Stikine River in 1991 included: 1, 511 large chinook, 660 jack chinook, 22,763 sockeye, 2,648 coho, 394 pink, and 208 chum salmon, and 82 steelhead (Figures 3 and 4 and Appendix A. 14 to A.18). Catches of chinook and sockeye salmon were above the 1981 to 1990 averages while catches coho, pink, and chum salmon were below average.

A test fishery was conducted again in the lower Stikine River, just upstream from the Canada/U.S. border, to determine migratory timing and stock composition of the sockeye run. Test fishery catches included: 183 chinook, 2, 375 sockeye, 245 coho, 234 pink, and 78 chum salmon, and 4 steelhead (Appendix A.18).


Figure 4. Catches of chinook, coho, pink, and chum salmon in the combined Canadian fisheries in the Stikine River, 1979-1991.

## Lower Stikine Commercial Fishery

The Canadian fishery in the lower Stikine harvested 641 large chinook, 318 jack chinook, 17,563 sockeye, 2,638 coho, 394 pink, 208 chum salmon, and 71 steelhead in 1991 (Appendix A.14). The sockeye catch was $18.9 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average of 14,769 sockeye (Appendix B.17). Catches of all other species were below average.

The fishery commenced at noon on Tuesday, June 25 (statistical week 26), for a two-day opening. The sockeye catch and CPUE for the first week of the season were below average which resulted in a total run forecast of 72,449 sockeye and a Canadian catch quota of 10,000 fish. However, record high weekly CPUE values were recorded for each of the next two weeks, weeks 27 and 28 , which indicated the presence of a strong Tahltan sockeye run. The Model forecasts increased to 177,333 and 191,851 fish for weeks 28 and 29 respectively, and the target Canadian catch jumped from 10,000 to 30,000 sockeye salmon.

Fishing time during week 28 (week commencing July 7) and week 29 was increased to three days in response to the above average CPUE and the increasing run forecasts. Additional time was not given in order to keep the cumulative catch consistent with weekly guideline harvests.

The run forecast for statistical week 30 , commencing July 21 , declined to 148,143 but was still well above average. However, the lower Stikine commercial fishery was reduced to two days in response to below average CPUE and the decline in the proportion of Tahltan Lake sockeye in the catch which had dropped from 75\% in the previous week to $37 \%$. There was concern for a weak mainstem run given the sudden drop in CPUE and the apparent poor showing of mainstem stocks in the District 106 and 108 catches. The below average CPUE resulted in the week 31 run forecast decreasing further to 129,918 sockeye salmon. The closure after the two days fished in week 30 left the cumulative catch about 1,100 behind schedule.

A total of five days was fished during statistical week 31 (July 28 to August 3) in response to above average CPUE and a reduction in the number of fishers from 14 in the previous week to seven permit holders. The Model forecast for statistical week 32 increased from 129,918 to 130,686 fish with inputs from the performance of the fishery during week 31. However, over the next four weeks the weekly CPUE was below average and the run forecast progressively declined to a final inseason estimate of 112,575 sockeye salmon. Fishing times during weeks 32, 33 , and 34 were cut back to 3 days, 2 days and 1 day, respectively, in response to the relatively poor run of non-Tahltan (mainstem) fish.

With a final inseason sockeye run forecast of 112,575 fish, the total allowable catch for the Canadian fisheries was 20,000 sockeye salmon. In contrast, throughout most of the sockeye season, i.e., from week 28 through week 33 (July 7 through August 17), the Model had forecasted a Canadian allowable harvest of 30,000 sockeye salmon. By the time the model forecast dropped to a total run of less than 120,000 sockeye and a Canadian allowable harvest of 20,000 sockeye, the season was essentially finished. Allowing for the harvest of 5,200 sockeye in upper Stikine fisheries, the total allowable lower Stikine catch was 14,800 sockeye salmon. The actual catch exceeded this target by 2,763 sockeye salmon.

Management emphasis switched to coho towards the end of August. Weekly effort
was restricted to 1 to 3 day openings from week 34 to week 36 (August 18 to September 7) due to below average coho CPUE. Additional fishing time was permitted in week 37 (September 8 to September 14) as the run strength improved and the CPUE value exceeded the average values. During week 38 (September 15 to September 21), the fishery was open for seven days as a result of declining number of fishers and the above average CPUE in the previous week. After this week the fishery was closed due to the relatively poor catch and a decline in the coho CPUE. The season total coho catch was 2,648 fish, which included 2,638 fish in the lower Stikine commercial fishery and 10 fish in the Indian food fishery. The total harvest was 1,352 below the target of 4,000 Stikine coho salmon.

Twenty licensed fishers participated in the lower river commercial fishery throughout the season with an average of only seven permit holders present each week, about one half the usual effort. The total effort in boat-days was 282.5 , $31.6 \%$ below the 1981 to 1990 average of 413.1 boat-days. Poor prices for sockeye and coho salmon contributed to the lower effort level in 1991. Each permit holder was allowed the use of one gillnet with a maximum length of 135 meters. A June 24 opening and a maximum mesh size restriction of 146 mm (to July 15) were implemented to reduce the incidental catch of chinook salmon. As in past years, both drift and set netting techniques were utilized.

## Upper Stikine Commercial Fishery

A small commercial fishery has existed near Telegraph Creek on the upper Stikine River since 1975. The catch recorded in 1991 was 149 chinook salmon, $47.5 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average and 761 sockeye salmon, $29.4 \%$ above average. The fishing effort was similar to that in previous years with one to three fishers fishing one day per week from late June through the first week of August.

## Indian Food Fishery

The Indian food fishery, centered around Telegraph Creek, harvested 1, 063 chinook including 753 large chinook and 310 jack chinook, 4,439 sockeye, and 10 coho salmon and 11 steelhead. The total chinook catch was near the 1981 to 1990 average of 1,043 fish and the sockeye harvest was $5.0 \%$ above average (Appendices A. 17 and B.20).

## Escapement

## Sockeye

A total of 50,135 sockeye was counted through the Tahltan Lake weir in 1991 which was 4.7 times greater than the 1986 to 1990 average of 10,603 fish (Appendix B.25), and well above the escapement goal range of 20,000 to 40,000 fish. The final inseason Model indication of Tahltan escapement was 48,923 sockeye salmon, $2.4 \%$ below the actual weir count. The removal of 3,532 sockeye salmon for broodstock and 20 fish for disease sampling reduced the spawning escapement to 46,583 fish. Daily counts from the 1991 Tahltan weir program are presented in Appendix A. 21.

The total spawning escapement for the non-Tahltan stock group is estimated indirectly by computing the ratio of Tahltan to non-Tahltan components in the total inriver sockeye run from stock identification data collected in the lower river commercial and test fisheries. The ratio is then applied to the estimated inriver Tahltan run size to develop an estimate of the total inriver non-Tahltan run size. The non-Tahltan escapement is estimated by subtracting the estimated catches of non-Tahltan sockeye in the Canadian fisheries. The 1991 non-Tahltan sockeye escapement estimate of 44,879 fish was based on egg diameter analysis of inriver stock compositions and inriver test fishery CPUE data estimates of run timing.

Aerial surveys of non-Tahltan sockeye escapement index areas indicated below average numbers of spawners in 1991 (Appendix B.26). These surveys do not include all spawning populations.

## Chinook

In 1991, the TTC revised the Stikine River escapement goal for chinook salmon ("Escapement goals for chinook salmon in the Alsek, Taku, and Stikine Rivers", Pacific Salmon Commission, Transboundary Technical Committee TCTR (91)-4). The revised goal for the Little Tahltan index system is 5,300 fish. This goal represents an average of previous U.S. and Canadian goals for the Little Tahltan index system. Factors used to expand the original goals to account for escapement to the entire Stikine River drainage were eliminated because of a lack of scientific basis.

This was the seventh consecutive year of the operation of a chinook enumeration weir on the Little Tahltan River (Figure 5, Appendix A.23). The 1991 count of 4,506 large chinook salmon was similar to the 1985 to 1990 average of 4,531 fish (Appendix B.28). The count of jack chinook salmon was 313, slightly under the 1985 to 1990 average of 366 fish.

Aerial survey counts of chinook salmon in 1991 were: Little Tahltan River, 1,768; Tahltan River, 2,445; Beatty Creek, 193; and Andrew Creek, 400 chinook salmon. The counts were above the 1985 to 1990 average for Tahltan River and below average for the other index systems (Appendix B.29).

## Coho

The lower Stikine River test fishery ended on statistical week 36 (first week in September), which precluded complete coverage of the coho run. From historical test catch records, 1986-1990, approximately $75 \%$ of the coho run has migrated through the lower river by the end of week 36. The cumulative coho test fish CPUE, therefore, was expanded ( $3.13 / 0.75=4.17$ ) and the calculated cumulative CPUE of 4.17 was expressed as a percentage of the total cumulative sockeye CPUE of 11.8. The coho run size was estimated to be $35 \%$ of the inriver sockeye run of 120,152 fish or 42,053 coho salmon. The coho escapement was 39,160 fish. The aerial surveys count of 2,956 coho salmon was also above the 1984 to 1990 average (Appendix B.30).


Figure 5. Chinook salmon weir counts and index escapement estimates for major spawning areas in the entire Stikine River, 1979-1991.

The estimate of the total Stikine sockeye run was 154,472 fish of which 91,003 were of Tahltan Lake origin and 63,469 were non-Tahltan fish (Table 2). The run was $58.0 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average of 97,747 sockeye salmon. Stock composition estimates are based on inriver egg diameter stock separation data, scale pattern analysis of catch samples collected in Districts 106 and 108 , and catch and escapement data.

Table 2. Run reconstruction for Stikine sockeye salmon, 1991. Numbers may not sum due to rounding error.

|  | Tahltan | non- <br> Tahltan | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Escapement | 50,135 | 44,879 | 95,014 |
| Canadian Harvest |  |  |  |
| Indian Food | 3,995 | 444 | 4,439 |
| Upper Commercial | 685 | 76 | 761 |
| Lower Commercial | 11,136 | 6,427 | 17,563 |
| Total | 15,816 | 6,947 | 22,763 |
| \% Harvest | 40.6\% | 39.8\% | 40.3\% |
| Test Fishery Catch | 1,443 | 932 | 2,375 |
| Inriver Run | 67,394 | 52,758 | 120,152 |
| U.S. Harvest |  |  |  |
| 106-41\&42 | 11,538 | 3,047 | 14,585 |
| 106-30 | 2,823 | 453 | 3,277 |
| 108 | 8,807 | 6,987 | 15,794 |
| Total | 23,168 | 10,487 | 33,656 |
| \% Harvest | 59.4\% | 60.2\% | 59.7\% |
| Test Fishery Catch | 441 | 224 | 665 |
| Total Run | 91,003 | 63,469 | 154,473 |
| Escapement Goal |  |  |  |
| Minimum | 20,000 | 20,000 | 40,000 |
| Maximum | 40,000 | 40,000 | 80,000 |
| Total Allowable Catch |  |  |  |
| Minimum | 51,003 | 23,469 | 74,473 |
| Maximum | 71,003 | 43,469 | 114,473 |
| Actual Catch | 40,868 | 18,590 | 59,458 |

The Model successfully forecast a larger than average run, but underestimated the magnitude in most weeks (Table 1). The final inseason run forecast derived from the Model, 112,575 fish, was $72.9 \%$ of the postseason run estimate. The Model predictions are based on inriver CPUE while the postseason estimate is based on stock composition estimates of actual catches in all the fisheries plus the Tahltan escapement estimate. The Model is reviewed and updated annually to include current year data for making predictions during the following season.

Although the primary brood year (1986) escapement of 20,280 fish to Tahltan Lake was below the 1981 to 1990 average of 25,342 sockeye salmon, the above average Tahltan run this year was not wholly unexpected given that the record number of $1,170,136$ smolts that emigrated from Tahltan Lake in 1988 would return as adults primarily in 1991 (Appendix B.27). The estimate of the total Tahltan sockeye stock size in 1991 indicated a smolt to adult survival of about $7.2 \%$ compared to an average of approximately $4.2 \%$.

The smolt count in 1991 totalled $1,487,265$ fish. These smolts originated primarily from the 1989 spawning escapement of 6,106 sockeye, i.e. the 1989 Tahltan weir count of 8,316 sockeye minus the 2,210 fish taken for brood stock. The contribution of smolts from the 1990 release of approximately $1,041,744$ fry that had been incubated at the Snettisham Hatchery to the 1991 smolt emigration was estimated at 266,868 fish, or $17.9 \%$ of the total outmigration. Otoliths extracted from a random sample of smolts from the 1991 emigration were analyzed to provide the break down between hatchery and natural contributions to the smolt production.

## TAKU RIVER

Taku River salmon are harvested in the U.S. gillnet fishery in the District 111 northern Southeast Alaska seine and troll fisheries, the Juneau area sport fishery and a Taku inriver personal use fishery (Figure 6). Canadian fisheries for Taku River salmon include a commercial gillnet fishery located in the river near the U.S./Canada border, a sport fishery, and an Indian food fishery.

## Harvest Regulations

The 1988 to 1992 harvest and management of Taku River salmon stocks is governed by Annex IV, Chapter 1, of the Pacific Salmon Treaty as negotiated at the February 1988 meeting of the Pacific Salmon Commission. The annex allows Canada to harvest $18 \%$ of the TAC of sockeye salmon originating in Canadian portions of the Taku River, 3,000 coho salmon, and incidental catches of other species. This regime is conditional on the parties proceeding with a cooperative sockeye enhancement program which began in 1990 and continued in 1991.

Prior to the 1991 fishing season, the TTC met to exchange management plans for the Taku River. The results from this exchange are documented in: Salmon Management Plan for the Stikine, Taku, and Alsek Rivers, 1991, Pacific Salmon Commission Transboundary Technical Committee Report TCTR (91)-3, June 1991.


Figure 6. The Taku River and principal U.S. and Canadian fishing areas.

## U.S. Fisheries

The District 111 drift gillnet fishery was opened June 16 and closed on October 10, for a total of 57 fishing days (Appendix C.1). Openings included 49 fishing days to harvest wild stocks bound for Port Snettisham and the Taku River, 14 days with mesh restrictions to harvest summer chum salmon hatchery returns, and 13 days in Section 11-C to harvest the above average pink salmon runs; some openings were concurrent. Fishing time was $44.8 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average, primarily a result of fishing time extensions during the fall coho fishery. Fishing effort (boat-days) in District 111 for 1991 was $69.6 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average (Appendix D.1).

Catches in the District 111 drift gillnet fishery were among the largest in the history of the fishery, with records being exceeded for summer chum and coho salmon harvests (Figure 7, Appendix D.1). The total harvest included 3,217 chinook, 109,877 sockeye, 126,436 coho, 74,183 pink, and 161,175 chum salmon (Appendix C.1). Catches of sockeye, pink, and fall chum salmon were comprised primarily of mixed wild stocks from the Taku River, Port Snettisham, and drainages in lower Stephens Passage. Catches of chinook, summer chum, and coho salmon were comprised of both wild stocks and local hatchery stocks. In addition to the commercial fishery, a gillnet mesh selectivity study was conducted by the ADF\&G in Taku Inlet from July 4 to August 2. Catches during this five-week test fishery totalled 9 chinook, 917 sockeye, 86 coho, 162 pink, and 1,859 chum salmon (Appendix C.2).

The chinook salmon harvest of 3,217 fish was $47.1 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average and was comprised primarily of small immature chinook salmon. Approximately $64 \%$ of this year's chinook harvest was caught during the initial two weeks of the fishery (statistical weeks 25 and 26), when the CPUE was over two and a half times above the 1981 to 1990 average. In the past, chinook salmon caught during these weeks have been comprised mainly of large spawners bound for the Taku River. It is unknown why there was such a large early abundance of immature fish present in 1991.

The sockeye harvest of 109,877 fish was the fourth largest sockeye catch on record, 53.1\% above the 1981 to 1990 average, and $13.4 \%$ below the record catch in 1990.

Scale pattern analysis (SPA) has been used inseason and postseasonally to provide stock composition estimates of District 111 sockeye catches since the early 1980's. Inseason estimates for 1991 did not follow historical trends and were not corroborated by analysis of the incidence of brain parasites or by age composition of samples from the sockeye catch. The inseason SPA estimates were therefore judged unreliable due to inter-annual changes in basic growth patterns in the scales within stocks. Postseason analysis of scale data, based on spawning ground samples from 1991, eliminated this problem and provided stock composition estimates. Of the 109,877 sockeye salmon harvested in District 111 in 1991, an estimated $94.1 \%$ were of Taku River origin and $5.9 \%$ were of Port Snettisham origin. The mainstem stock group dominated the catch with 40,957 fish followed by the Little Trapper $(32,685)$, Tatsamenie $(25,475)$, Crescent $(6,465)$, and Kuthai $(4,295)$ stocks. Speel Lake fish were not detectable in the catch.


Figure 7. Average catches and fishing efforts compared with 1991 values for the Alaskan District 111 commercial fishery and the Canadian commercial fishery in the Taku River.

The summer chum run was exceptional this year and was primarily comprised of five year old fish (approximately $80 \%$ ). The total summer chum salmon catch of 147,404 , i.e. the District 111 chum harvest prior to August 18, statistical week 34, was $330 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average, and was the largest District 111 summer chum harvest on record. An unknown, but believed large portion of the catch was comprised of fish from Juneau area hatcheries.

In contrast to the summer chum salmon, the fall chum salmon run was poor in 1991. The total fall chum salmon harvest, i.e. chum salmon caught after August 18, statistical week 34 , was 13,771 fish. This is $64 \%$ below the 1981 to 1990 average and is the third smallest fall chum salmon harvest on record. Chum salmon that are taken in the fall in District 111 are exclusively wild chum salmon stocks from the Taku River and Port Snettisham.

The District 111 pink salmon harvest of 74,183 fish was $31.7 \%$ of the 1981 to 1990 odd-year average of 233,739 fish, but does not accurately represent the strength of the run. A combination of factors were responsible for low catches. Pink salmon were smaller than average this year, with average weights of less than three pounds, thereby reducing their susceptibility to harvest in the traditional sockeye gillnet mesh. In addition, pink salmon prices were depressed and consequently, many fishers did not switch to smaller mesh sized gear to target this species.

The total coho catch of 126,436 fish was the largest on record, over three times larger than the 1981 to 1990 average, and almost double the previous record catch of 67,310 coho salmon taken in 1990. Coho catches were highest during statistical weeks 37 through 40 (September 8 to October 5), when weekly catches were $3,5,22$, and 150 times the respective 1981 to 1990 weekly averages. Historically, maximum catches occur between statistical weeks 35 to 37 , indicating the 1991 coho salmon run was several weeks later than normal. The exceptional harvest resulted from large wild coho runs to the Taku River and hatchery fish to the DIPAC facility near Juneau. The DIPAC contribution to the District 111 gillnet catch was estimated at 28,690 fish or $22.7 \%$ of the coho catch.

Except for the two-day openings in statistical weeks 27 and 28 (June 30 to July 13), Taku Inlet was opened for three days a week for the entire summer season (prior to August 18). Extensions were considered during statistical weeks 29 and 30 (July 14 to 27) because of the large sockeye catches and high fish wheel CPUE, but were not made in order to assure sufficient escapement into Tatsamenie Lake. An additional 24 hours of fishing time was provided each week in Stephens Passage, south of Circle Point, from June 30 to July 27 (statistical weeks 2730), in an effort to harvest excess Port Snettisham hatchery chum salmon returning to Port Snettisham and Limestone Inlet. This area was restricted to a minimum mesh size of six inches during this period in order to target chum salmon and minimize interception of the depressed Port Snettisham sockeye salmon stocks. However, the greatest chum catches were found north of this line, due to the large DIPAC hatchery chum contribution, but extensions to fishing times were not granted in order to provide brood stock for DIPAC hatchery.

Section 11-C was opened during statistical weeks 31 through 33 (July 28 to August 16) for a total of 13 days in an effort to harvest the strong pink runs in lower Stephens Passage. The area did not draw much effort (eight boats) and only 6,100
pink salmon were harvested.
Fall management was initiated on August 18 (statistical week 34), when the District 111 gillnet fishery was opened for three days. At this time the coho catches were average while the chum catches were below average. Consequently, fishing time was restricted to two days beginning August 25 (statistical week 35) to conserve chum salmon. Fishing time remained at two days during the next five weeks (statistical weeks 35 to 39) due to the poor chum run, despite increasing coho CPUE. The coho harvest jumped to a record weekly catch of 19,326 during statistical week 37 and continued at an exceptionally strong level for the remainder of the season. The coho salmon CPUE at the Canyon Island fish wheels and the preliminary inriver run projections were the highest observed since the coho mark-recapture program began in 1987. By September 29 (statistical week 40) the Taku River chum salmon runs had passed through the fishing area and the fishery was opened "until further notice" to harvest the exceptionally strong coho salmon run. Coho salmon catches were steady and remained high throughout the entire week. Consequently, fishing was allowed to continue into statistical week 41 for an additional four days, by which time the effort had dropped to only 14 boats. Although catches were above average, it appeared the wild stocks had passed and the fleet was catching primarily hatchery fish. During the 11 day extended opening, approximately 36,388 coho salmon were harvested. The District 111 gillnet fishery was closed for the season on October 10, 1991, the latest closure date on record.

Several other fisheries in District 111 harvested transboundary river stocks. The U.S. personal use fishery located in U.S. portions of the Taku River harvested approximately 47 chinook, 1,475 sockeye, 120 coho, 188 pink, and 4 chum salmon. The marine spring sport fishery near the mouth of the Taku River, open from mid-April to mid-June, harvested an estimated 883 wild mature chinook salmon. A number of stocks are thought to contribute to the fishery, including those from the Taku, Chilkat, King Salmon and Unuk Rivers, and local hatchery stocks; however, the majority of the mature fish are believed to be of Taku River origin. The purse seine fishery in Chatham Strait was not opened north of point Marsden during the month of July because pink salmon test fishery catches were low and the escapement to the Taku River appeared weak until late July.

## Canadian Fisheries

The Taku River commercial fishery harvested 1, 177 large chinook, 432 jack chinook (fish less than 2.27 kg ), 25,067 sockeye, 3,415 coho, 296 pink, and 2 chum salmon, and 5 steelhead in 1991 (Appendix C.5). The sockeye catch was $64.3 \%$ above the 1981 to 1990 average of 15,256 sockeye (Appendix D.5). The total chinook catch of 1,609 fish was three times the 1981 to 1990 average of 538 fish. The coho catch was near the Treaty limit of 3,000 fish. Catches of pink and chum salmon, and steelhead were below average (Figure 7, Appendix D.5). The fishery was open for a total of 25 days, less than the 1981 to 1990 average of 26.6 days. The seasonal fishing effort was 284 boat-days compared to the average of 231.7 boat-days.

In addition to the commercial catches, the Indian food fishery harvested 150 sockeye and 20 coho salmon in 1991.

The commercial fishery commenced at noon on Monday, June 17, (statistical week 25) one week earlier than in 1990. The earlier opening was scheduled in 1991 to harvest early sockeye salmon. In each of the previous two fishing seasons, which had opened in statistical week 26 , sockeye had been present in the river in significant numbers prior to the opening. The fishery was open for two days each week for the first three weeks of the season. Weekly CPUE values were below average and were depressed somewhat by the high water conditions which prevailed during this time. The fishery during week 26 was interrupted after one day by flood conditions, and the second day for this week was fished later in the week. Sockeye fishing improved during weeks 28 and 29 (weeks beginning July 07 and July 14) and the sockeye CPUE was well above average. The sockeye CPUE during week 29 was a record for the week ( 172 sockeye per boat-day) and was more than twice the 1979 to 1990 average for this week. Above average CPUE values persisted through week 32 (week beginning August 04 ). With the exception of week 30, fishing times during weeks 28 through 32 were extended by one to two days in response to the above average run strength and guideline weekly harvests. Flooding conditions precipitated a sharp decline in the sockeye CPUE in week 33. Although the sockeye run strength was above average during the next week, the fishery was closed after one day to keep the cumulative coho harvest close to the Treaty allocation of 3,000 coho salmon.

Forecasts of the total sockeye run were made sporadically throughout the season using data collected from the canada/U.S. tagging program and catch statistics reported from U.S. District 111 and the Canadian inriver gillnet fisheries (Table 3). The forecasts were used in conjunction with historical timing information to develop both seasonal and weekly cumulative catch guidelines for the Canadian fishery; weekly fishing times were adjusted according to these guidelines. The preseason forecast was for a total run of 171,000 sockeye salmon. The first inseason projection of total run based on tagging data was made after week 28 at which time a total run of 185,600 was forecast. This forecast was updated weekly reaching a peak of 318,900 in week 32 and declining to a final inseason estimate of 257,200 sockeye salmon.

Table 3. Canadian inseason forecasts of total run size, TAC, and Canadian TAC of Taku sockeye salmon, 1991.

| Week | Total Run | TAC | Canadian <br> TAC | Cumulative <br> Catch |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| preseason | 171,000 | 96,000 | 17,280 |  |
| 29 | 185,589 | 110,589 | 19,906 | 12,296 |
| 30 | 227,916 | 152,916 | 27,525 | 15,261 |
| 31 | 280,441 | 205,441 | 36,979 | 20,809 |
| 32 | 318,943 | 243,943 | 43,910 | 24,014 |
| 33 | 266,701 | 191,701 | 34,506 | 24,725 |
| 34 | 257,175 | 182,200 | 32,792 | 25,067 |

Based on the final Canadian inseason total run projection, the TAC was estimated to be 182, 200 sockeye of which Canadian fishers were entitled to harvest 32,800 sockeye, i.e., $18 \%$ of the $T A C$, assuming an escapement goal of 75,000 fish. The postseason estimate of total TAC was 176,113 to 185,113 fish (given an escapement goal range of 71,000 to 80,000 ), of which Canada harvested $13.6 \%$ to $14.5 \%$.

The combined commercial and Indian food fishery catch of coho salmon totalled 3,435 fish, above the Annex provision of 3,000 fish.

As in recent years, both set and drift gillnetting techniques were utilized with the majority of the catch taken in drift gillnets. Mesh sizes were restricted to less than 146 mm through mid-July to minimize the incidental catch of chinook salmon. In addition to nets, one fish wheel was used by a commercial fisher.

An inriver test fishery was again conducted in 1991. The objective of the test fishery was to recover coho salmon tagged at the Canyon Island fishwheels so the above-border coho run size could be estimated using mark-recapture methodology. The test fishery harvest totaled 163 sockeye, 2,004 coho, 3 pink, and 295 chum salmon, and 41 steelhead (Appendix C.8).

## Escapement

## Sockeye

Total spawning escapement of sockeye salmon in the Canadian portion of the Taku drainage is estimated from the joint U.S./Canada mark-recapture program. Counting weirs at Little Trapper and Little Tatsamenie Lakes and, to some extent, the Nakina River carcass weir provide information on the distribution and timing of discrete spawning stocks within the watershed. The escapement estimate of 125,127 fish (Appendix C.10) was the highest recorded since the estimation program began in 1984 ; this exceeded the 1986 to 1990 average of 85,180 by $46.9 \%$, and was $56.4 \%$ above the upper limit of interim escapement goal range of 71,000 to 80,000 sockeye salmon (Figure 8 and Appendix D.8).

The escapement through the Little Trapper Lake weir was 22,942 fish (Appendix C.12), a record high, over twice the 1986-1990 average of 11,103 (Appendix D.8) and well over the previous record of 14,889 sockeye (1985). The escapement through the Little Tatsamenie Lake weir was 8,381 fish (Appendix C.11), the third highest count recorded at this weir since it was installed in 1985 , and $68 \%$ higher than the 1986-1990 average of 5,016 fish (Appendix D.8). Escapement counts for Little Trapper and Little Tatsamenie weirs include fish taken for broodstock.

The weir counts in systems draining into Port Snettisham were poor. The Speel Lake escapement of 299 fish (Appendix C.14) was a record low, representing only $3.2 \%$ of the 1986-1990 average of 9,288 fish (Appendix D.8). The Crescent Lake weir count of 1,871 sockeye salmon (Appendix C.15) was less than the previous five-year average of 2,965 fish (Appendix D.8). However, the Crescent Lake weir was underwater on several occasions following freshets and bears damaged the weir almost daily. These problems resulted in fish passing the weir site uncounted. Problems have been encountered in prior years with keeping the Crescent Lake weir fish-tight so a mark-recapture study was implemented to assess the magnitude of the uncounted escapement in 1991. Virtually all the fish counted through the weir were marked, but only one in five fish examined on the spawning grounds was marked. The mark-recapture estimate for the Crescent Lake escapement was 9, 208 fish.


Figure 8. Sockeye catches for the Alaskan District 111, the Icy and Chatham Straits, and the combined Canadian fisheries in the Taku River and Taku sockeye escapements, 1979-1991.

## Chinook

In 1991, the TTC revised the Taku River escapement goal for chinook salmon "Escapement goals for chinook salmon in the Alsek, Taku, and Stikine Rivers", Pacific Salmon Commission, Transboundary Technical Committee TCTR (91)-4). Prior to 1991 the U.S. expanded aerial survey counts from the Nakina and Nahlin River index areas to estimate the escapement to the entire Taku River drainage, while Canada expanded counts from six index tributaries. The TTC agreed to a revised escapement goal based on the combined aerial escapement counts to the six tributaries, but omitting all expansion factors. The revised goal of 13,200 represents the sum of the peak survey counts for each tributary between 1965 and 1981. Factors used to expand aerial survey counts to the entire drainage were eliminated due to problems with variable survey conditions and variability in the proportion of chinook salmon returning to index areas as demonstrated by telemetry studies conducted by NMFS during 1989 and 1990.

Above average chinook escapements were observed in most of the Taku River tributaries surveyed in 1991. The total chinook escapement aerial index count was 10, 153 large fish (3-ocean age and older), which is $19.9 \%$ above the 1985 to 1990 average of 8,471 fish, but below the interim index escapement goal of 13,200 chinook salmon (Figure 9). The 1991 combined count was the second highest recorded since the aerial survey indices were standardized in 1974. The index includes peak aerial counts from six systems including the Nahlin, Nakina, Kowatua, Tatsatua and Dudidontu Rivers and Tseta Creek (Appendix D.9).

## Coho

The escapement of coho salmon to the Taku River in 1991 was extraordinary. A total-season estimate of the above-border escapement was 129,510 fish, far above the upper limit of the interim escapement goal range of 27,500 to 35,000 . The duration of the mark-recapture program was extended approximately three weeks later in the season than in prior years by modifying a fish wheel to fish at lower water levels and by extending the duration of the inriver test fishery.

A weir at Little Tatsamenie Lake was operated through the coho salmon run; the total count of 1,101 coho salmon was the highest recorded since the weir was first installed in 1985, and was twice the 1987 to 1990 average count of 554 fish (Appendix D.11). Aerial surveys were conducted on a number of other index systems; these counts represent an unknown and inter-annually variable proportion of the escapement to each area and are listed in Appendix D. 11.

## Pink

The escapement of pink salmon to the Taku River, estimated using mark-recapture methods, was 576,000 fish. The escapement far exceeded the interim escapement goal range of 150,000 to 200,000 fish. The migration timing of the pink salmon run past the tagging site in the lower river was approximately 10 days later than in recent odd-year runs.


Figure 9. Taku River chinook index escapement counts, 1975-1991.

## Chum

A system-wide escapement estimate for chum salmon is not available. Limited aerial survey observations of the principal known spawning areas revealed below average numbers of fish. Low catch and CPUE data from the inriver test fishery also suggested a below average chum salmon run.

## Sockeye Run Reconstruction

The estimated total Taku sockeye salmon run was 256,113 fish (Table 4). This represents the largest run since total run statistics have been tabulated (1984) and is $55.7 \%$ above the $1986-1990$ average of 164,544 fish. The total Taku sockeye catch in the U.S. District 111 and U.S. and Canadian inriver fisheries was

Table 4. Taku sockeye salmon run reconstruction, 1991. Estimates do not include spawning escapements below the U.S./Canada border.

|  | Taku | Snettisham |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Escapement | 125,127 | $9,507^{\text {a/ }}$ |
| Canadian Harvest |  |  |
| Commercial | 25,067 |  |
| Food Fishery | 150 |  |
| Total | 25,217 |  |
| \% Harvest | 19.4\% |  |
| Test Fishery Catch | 163 |  |
| Above Border Run | 150,507 |  |
| U.S. Harvest |  |  |
| District 111 | 103,412 | 6,465 |
| Personal Use | 1,475 |  |
| Total | 104,887 |  |
| \% Harvest | 80.6\% |  |
| Test Fishery Catch | 719 | 198 |
| Total Run | 256,113 |  |
| Taku Harvest Plan | Minimum | Maximum |
| Escapement Goal | 71,000 | 80,000 |
| TAC | 185,113 | 176,113 |
| Canadian portion | 0.136 | 0.143 |
| U.S. Portion | 0.567 | 0.596 |

130,986 fish and the escapement was 125,127 fish. The escapement was above the upper level of the escapement goal range of 71,000 to 80,000 sockeye salmon.

The U.S. District 111 harvest and inriver personal use harvest of 104,887 fish was $80.6 \%$ of the harvest and the Canadian commercial and food fishery harvest of 25,217 fish was $19.4 \%$ of the harvest. The U.S. and Canadian test fishery catches of 719 and 163 sockeye salmon are not included in these calculations. Based on the escapement goal range, the TAC was 176,113 to 185,113 sockeye salmon. The U.S. harvested $56.7 \%$ to $59.6 \%$ of the TAC and Canada harvested $13.6 \%$ to $14.3 \%$ of the TAC. In addition, an estimated 6,465 Port Snettisham sockeye salmon were harvested in District 111, while an estimated 9,507 fish escaped into Crescent and Speel Lakes.

## ALSEK RIVER

Alsek River salmon stocks contribute to the U.S. commercial and subsistence/personal use gillnet fisheries located in Dry Bay, at the mouth of the Alsek River (Figure 10). Some salmon of Alsek origin may also be taken in U.S. commercial gillnet and troll fisheries in the Yakutat area. No commercial fishery exists in the Canadian portions of the Alsek River drainage, although recreational and Indian food fisheries occur in the Tatshenshini River and some of its headwater tributaries (Figure 10).

Harvest Regulations

Although catch sharing of Alsek salmon stocks between Canada and the U.S. has not been specified, Annex IV does call for a cooperative attempt to rebuild depressed chinook and early-run sockeye stocks. Interim escapement goal ranges for Alsek sockeye and coho salmon have been set by the TTC at 33,000 to 58,000 sockeye and 5,400 to 25,000 coho salmon. Instead of a system-wide chinook escapement goal, a revised escapement goal of 4,700 Klukshu River chinook salmon has been established. This revision, which was made in the fall of 1991 , was made to eliminate the uncertainty over expansion factors which had no scientific backing.

## U.S. Fisheries

## Catch and Effort

The U.S. Dry Bay commercial set gillnet fishery harvested 103 chinook, 16,262 sockeye, 5,956 coho, 0 pink, and 103 chum salmon (Appendix E.1). Catches of sockeye and coho salmon were above the 1981-1990 averages of 16,267 sockeye and 5,163 coho salmon, while chinook, pink, and chum salmon catches were below average (Figure 11 and Appendix E.4).


Figure 10. The Alsek River and principal U.S. and Canadian fishing areas.
U.S. Dry Bay Commercial Canadian Inriver Food and Sport Chinook




Pink


Chum



Figure 11. Average catches and fishing efforts compared with 1991 values for the Alaskan Dry Bay commercial fishery and the Canadian combined food and recreational fisheries in the Alsek River.

The initial Dry Bay fishery opening for the season was delayed from the first to the third Monday of June because of poor forecasts for chinook and early run sockeye stocks. Catches and CPUE were carefully monitored inseason to assess run strength for possible extensions of fishing time. Fishing time was not extended beyond the initial 24 -hour opening. Catch and CPUE improved as the season progressed and fishing time was extended to 48 hours during the second through fourth week of the season, and to 72 hours during the fifth week of the season (the third week of July). Fishing time was extended to 96 hours during the last two weeks of July before returning to, and remaining at, 72 hours through early September. Few fishers were present during September and coho salmon CPUE was relatively high so 96 hours of fishing were allowed during each of the remaining weeks of the month.

Due to the relatively weak sockeye run to the East River, additional effort was directed toward the Alsek River during closed periods on the East River. Openings on the Alsek River were typically 24 to 48 hours longer than on the East River. Many permit holders fished the short East River openings and then switched over to the Alsek River to take advantage of the extra fishing time. Movement of effort from the East River to the Alsek River affected inseason Alsek CPUE figures. The CPUE appeared to be relatively high during the first 24 hours on the Alsek River, but later declined as East River fishers moved into marginal or less productive sets on the Alsek River.

The U.S. Dry Bay fishery typically catches few Alsek chinook salmon. With the delayed opening of the fishery in recent years, most of the chinook run passes through Dry Bay prior to the initial opening. In addition, a 6-inch maximum mesh restriction through early July has been in effect since 1987, effectively eliminating the use of chinook gear. The total catch of 103 chinook salmon was the fourth lowest catch since 1964 and represented only $34.0 \%$ of the 1981 to 1990 average of 303 fish.

## Sockeye Management Model

Two abundance models were used by $A D F \& G$ to assist in managing the Alsek River sockeye harvest. The models predict the total season catch and index run size (catch and Klukshu escapement); predictions of escapement are obtained by subtraction. A model utilizing simple linear regression methods and historical migratory timing data (Harvest Rate Model) has been used by ADF\&G since 1984. A second model based on multiple regression methods (Multiple Regression Model) was developed in 1990 in the hopes of simplifying and improving predictions. Both models were used in 1990 and 1991 for comparative purposes. The two models provided extremely accurate predictions in 1990. In 1991 the models predicted the total catch fairly well throughout the season, with the final inseason estimates exceeding the actual catch by $6.9 \%$ to $13.3 \%$. Index run size predictions were slightly less accurate, with the final inseason estimates exceeding the actual run size by $15.5 \%$ to $18.4 \%$.

Table 5. Inseason U.S. forecasts of the total 1991 Alsek River catch, Klukshu River weir count, and total index run size (catch + Klukshu weir count) using two predictive models.

|  |  | Harvest Rate Model |  | Multiple Regression Model |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stat. <br> Week | Start <br> Date | Total <br> Catch | Klukshu <br> Weir Count | Index <br> Run | Total <br> Catch | Klukshu <br> Weir Count | Index <br> Run |  |
| 27 | 01-Jul | 10,525 | 14,389 | 24,914 |  | 16,727 | 25,441 | 42,168 |
| 28 | 08-Jul | 10,405 | 14,264 | 24,669 | 18,224 | 28,141 | 46,365 |  |
| 29 | 15-Jul | 13,698 | 17,392 | 31,090 | 22,591 | 26,542 | 49,133 |  |
| 30 | 22-Jul | 19,432 | 24,538 | 43,970 | 22,203 | 28,755 | 50,958 |  |
| 31 | $29-J u l$ | 18,751 | 23,421 | 42,172 | 19,941 | 23,287 | 43,228 |  |
| Actual |  | 17,542 | 18,977 | 36,519 | 17,542 | 18,977 | 36,519 |  |

## Canadian Fisheries

The center of Indian food fishing activity in the Alsek drainage occurs at the Champagne/Aishihik Indian village of Klukshu, on the Haines Road, about 60 km south of Haines Junction. Fish are harvested by means of gaff and traditional fish traps as the fish migrate up the Klukshu River into Klukshu Lake. Gaff fisheries also exist on Village Creek and Blanchard River. As in 1990, restrictions were imposed on the Indian food fishery to conserve chinook and early run sockeye salmon. Prior to August 17, fishing by means of traps was limited to 1.25 days per week by elders only. Thereafter, the fish traps were allowed to be fished for 3.25 days per week. The gaff fishery was open six days per week in all areas; however, gaffing for sockeye in the Klukshu River was prohibited prior to August 17, except by elders who were allowed to fish for sockeye 1.25 days each week during this period.

The Indian food fishery harvested an estimated 509 chinook, 2,099 sockeye, and 214 coho salmon (Appendix E.2). The chinook and coho catches were above the 1981 to 1990 averages of 174 chinook and 5 coho salmon, whereas, the sockeye catch was below the average of 2,163 fish (Appendix E.6). The food fishery catch data was summarized weekly from daily catch statistics gathered inseason and expanded for the entire season.

The majority of the sport fishing effort on this drainage occurs on the Tatshenshini River, at and just downstream of the mouth of the Klukshu River in the vicinity of the abandoned settlement of Dalton Post. The retention of sockeye salmon in the recreational fishery was prohibited prior to August 15 to protect early runs. The chinook daily catch and possession limits were one and two, respectively. Sport fishing in the Dalton Post area was open from 6:00 am Saturday to 12:00 noon Tuesday each week. After September 30, the fishery was open seven days per week.

The recreational fishery harvested approximately 388 chinook, 303 sockeye, and 260 coho salmon (Appendix E.2). Compared to 1981 to 1990 average sport catches, the chinook catch was $22.0 \%$ above, the sockeye catch was $68.7 \%$ of, and the coho
catch was 2.9 times the average (Appendix E.6). The catch data was derived from a creel census program conducted in the Dalton Post area by the Klukshu weir personnel. Additional catch data was collected in other areas/tributaries by a DFO patrolman.

## Escapement


#### Abstract

It is currently not possible to accurately assess whether Alsek escapement goals for any species are being met because total drainage enumeration programs are not established. A large, but unknown and presumably variable proportion of the total river escapement of each species is enumerated at a weir on the klukshu River. Current escapement monitoring programs including the Klukshu weir and aerial surveys do, however, allow annual comparisons of escapement indices. The most reliable comparative escapement index for Alsek drainage salmon stocks is the Klukshu River weir count (Appendix E.3).


## Sockeye

A total of 18,977 sockeye was counted through the klukshu weir in 1991 , consisting of 1,924 early run (count through August 15), and 17,053 late run sockeye (Figure 12). Both run components were similar to the 1986 to 1990 averages (Appendix E.7). The estimated Village Creek sockeye escapement was 5,670 fish. Aerial surveys of tributaries on the U.S. side of the border were very limited in 1991. A total of 800 sockeye was seen in the Tanis River, which is less than the 1986 to 1990 average of 1,846 fish (Appendix E.8). No other streams were surveyed.

## Chinook

In 1991, the committee revised the chinook escapement goal for the Alsek River drainage "Escapement goals for chinook salmon in the Alsek, Taku, and Stikine Rivers", Pacific Salmon Commission, Transboundary Technical Committee TCTR (91)4). The revised goal for the Klukshu River index system is 4,700 chinook salmon.

This goal represents an average of the original U.S. goal of 4,400 fish, which was the peak Klukshu weir count during the base years 1976 to 1980 , and the original Canadian goal of 5,000 . Factors previously used to expand the weir count to represent escapement in the entire drainage were eliminated because of a lack of scientific basis.

The Klukshu weir chinook count in 1991 of 2,489 fish (Appendix E.3) was above the 1985 to 1990 average of 2,199 fish but well below the escapement goal of 4,700 chinook (Figure 13 and Appendix E.7).

Aerial surveys were again conducted in 1991 for several other index streams; the count of 86 fish in the Takhanne River was below the 1985 to 1990 average of 248 fish, while the count of 63 chinook salmon in Goat Creek was less than the average of 69 fish. The count of 121 in the Blanchard River was the lowest since 1984 (Appendix E.9).



Figure 13. Alsek chinook catches and weir counts, 1979-1991.

## Coho

Although it is presumed that the Klukshu weir count of coho salmon is incomplete and does not include fish that migrate after mid-October, the 1991 count of 8,540 fish (Appendix E.3) is an approximate six fold increase from the 1987 to 1990 average of 1,378 coho and represents a record run three times the previous record of 2,774 fish (Figure 14 and Appendix E.7). Aerial surveys for coho salmon in U.S. tributaries to the Alsek River were very limited in 1991; a total of 500 fish was seen in U.S. tributaries (Appendix E.10). Comparisons of 1991 data with prior years' data has limited value.

## Run Reconstruction

Expectations for the sockeye run in 1991 were for a poor early run and average late run. The run developed about as expected with a total sockeye harvest near average and an average count of 18,977 fish through the Klukshu weir (Table 6).

Table 6. Catch and Klukshu index escapement data for Alsek sockeye, chinook, and coho salmon for 1991.

|  | Sockeye | Chinook | Coho |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Escapement Index ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ |  |  |  |
| Klukshu Weir Count | 18,977 | 2,489 | 8,540 |
| Klukshu Escapement ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ | 17,063 | 2,223 |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Harvest | 17,542 | 103 | 5,956 |
| U.S. Commercial | 191 | 65 | 50 |
| U.S. Subsistence | 303 | 388 | 260 |
| Canadian Sport | 2,099 | 509 | 214 |
| Canadian Indian Food | 20,135 | 1,065 | 6,480 |
| Total |  |  |  |

a/ Klukshu River salmon stocks represent an assumed large and variable portion of the total Alsek River salmon escapement.
b/ The Canadian Indian food fishery occurs above the Klukshu weir, so these catches are subtracted from weir counts to represent the spawning escapement.

Estimates of the Klukshu contribution to the total sockeye run to the Alsek drainage vary from $37 \%$, as estimated from an ADF\&G mark-recapture study in 1983, to $60 \%$, based on Canadian fishery managers' professional judgement. The Klukshu weir count divided by the estimated percent Klukshu fish minus the recreational and Indian food fishery catches yields an escapement estimate for the Alsek River. The estimated escapement added to the U.S. commercial and subsistence catches yields an estimate of the entire Alsek run. Using the $37 \%$ to $60 \%$ contribution range, the estimated sockeye escapement in the Alsek River was on the order of 30,300 to 50,000 fish and the estimated total Alsek sockeye run was on the order of 49,400 to 69,100 sockeye salmon. The interim escapement goal for the Alsek River is from 33,000 (U.S.) to 58,000 (Canada) fish.


Figure 14. Alsek coho catches and weir counts, 1979-1991. The weir count for coho is incomplete since the weir is dismantled before the entire coho run has passed.

APPENDICES

Appendix A.1. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-4l and -42 (Sumner Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Permits | Days | Permit Days |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 186 | 4,424 | 465 | 82 | 1,279 | 43 | 2 | 86 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 244 | 13,281 | 978 | 3,592 | 4,964 | 57 | 2 | 114 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 99 | 7,832 | 1,931 | 11,050 | 10,982 | 74 | 2 | 148 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 109 | 15,143 | 2,128 | 5,541 | 8,660 | 76 | 2 | 152 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 66 | 11,905 | 2,875 | 7,196 | 14,661 | 81 | 2 | 162 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 22 | 12,984 | 2,468 | 3,627 | 10,467 | 68 | 2 | 136 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 17 | 10,071 | 2,969 | 4,983 | 10,136 | 68 | 2 | 136 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 10 | 4, 004 | 2,819 | 4,881 | 5,722 | 50 | 2 | 100 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 12 | 4,969 | 7,287 | 8,292 | 3,358 | 38 | 2 | 76 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 12 | 3,327 | 20,605 | 8,223 | 6,771 | 67 | 3 | 201 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 19 | 1,132 | 25,395 | 5,007 | 2,396 | 86 | 3 | 258 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 7 | 126 | 15,649 | 1,010 | 1,535 | 45 | 3 | 135 |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 14 | 97 | 25,713 | 817 | 2,936 | 52 | 3 | 156 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 11 | 31 | 17,440 | 33 | 1,127 | 58 | 3 | 174 |
| 39 | 22-Sep | 26 | 9 | 6,775 | 0 | 351 | 30 | 2 | 60 |
| 40 | 29-Sep | 2 | 0 | 962 | 0 | 30 | 8 | 2 | 16 |
| 41 | 06-Oct | 1 | 0 | 431 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | 857 | 89,335 | 136,890 | 64,334 | 85,385 | 905 | 39 | 2,118 |

Appendix A.2. Weekly stock proportions of sockeye salmon harvested in the Alaskan Subdistrict $106-41$ and -42 (Sumner Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Data based on scale pattern analysis (SPA).

|  |  |  | Stikine |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Week | Alaska | Canada | Tahltan | Ton- |  |
| Tahltan | Total |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 25 | 0.284 | 0.391 | 0.231 | 0.094 | 0.325 |
|  | 26 | 0.192 | 0.394 | 0.396 | 0.018 | 0.414 |
|  | 27 | 0.287 | 0.429 | 0.256 | 0.028 | 0.283 |
|  | 28 | 0.446 | 0.443 | 0.099 | 0.012 | 0.111 |
|  | 29 | 0.488 | 0.416 | 0.012 | 0.085 | 0.097 |
|  | 30 | 0.653 | 0.217 | 0.100 | 0.031 | 0.130 |
|  | 31 | 0.640 | 0.306 | 0.000 | 0.054 | 0.054 |
|  | 32 | 0.706 | 0.268 | 0.016 | 0.010 | 0.026 |
|  | 33 | 0.515 | 0.433 | 0.052 | 0.000 | 0.052 |
|  | 34 | 0.462 | 0.538 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
|  | 35 | 0.462 | 0.538 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
|  | 36 | 0.462 | 0.538 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
|  | 37 | 0.462 | 0.538 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
|  | 38 | 0.462 | 0.538 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |

Appendix A.3. Weekly stock-specific catch of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-41 and -42 (Sumner Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Data based on SPA.


Appendix A.4. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan Subdistrict $106-30$ (clarence strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991.


Appendix A.5. Weekly stock proportions of sockeye salmon harvested in the Alaskan subdistrict $106-30$ (Clarence Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Data based on SPA.

|  | Alaska | Canada | Stikine |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Week |  |  | Tahltan | $\begin{aligned} & \text { non- } \\ & \text { Tahltan } \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| 25 | 0.571 | 0.309 | 0.106 | 0.013 | 0.120 |
| 26 | 0.558 | 0.342 | 0.086 | 0.015 | 0.100 |
| 27 | 0.523 | 0.312 | 0.121 | 0.044 | 0.165 |
| 28 | 0.588 | 0.304 | 0.089 | 0.018 | 0.107 |
| 29 | 0.723 | 0.195 | 0.073 | 0.010 | 0.082 |
| 30 | 0.813 | 0.155 | 0.024 | 0.008 | 0.032 |
| 31 | 0.741 | 0.233 | 0.026 | 0.000 | 0.026 |
| 32 | 0.792 | 0.186 | 0.022 | 0.000 | 0.022 |
| 33 | 0.657 | 0.304 | 0.039 | 0.000 | 0.039 |
| 34 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 35 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 36 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 37 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 38 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 39 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 40 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 41 | 0.519 | 0.481 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Total | 0.683 | 0.257 | 0.052 | 0.008 | 0.060 |

Appendix A.6. Weekly stock-specific catch of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan Subdistrict $106-30$ (Clarence Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Data based on SPA.


Appendix A.7. Weekly salmon catch in the Alaskan District 106 commercial drift gillnet fisheries, lg9l. Catches do not include Blind Slough terminal area harvests. Effort may be less than the sum of effort from $106-41 \&-42$ and $106-30$ since some boats fished in more than one subdistrict.

| Week | Start Date | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Permits | Days | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Permit } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 422 | 6,697 | 727 | 100 | 1,510 | 76 | 2 | 152 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 345 | 16,229 | 1,378 | 4,978 | 5,325 | 86 | 2 | 172 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 206 | 10,287 | 2,637 | 12,609 | 11,546 | 112 | 2 | 224 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 337 | 22,409 | 3,187 | 13,810 | 11,828 | 138 | 2 | 276 |
| 29 | 14-Ju1 | 180 | 20,620 | 4,930 | 17,384 | 22,249 | 140 | 2 | 280 |
| 30 | 21-Ju1 | 138 | 20,365 | 3,461 | 7,282 | 15,584 | 129 | 2 | 258 |
| 31 | 28-Ju1 | 61 | 19,003 | 4,451 | 11,357 | 16,221 | 122 | 2 | 244 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 33 | 9,863 | 4,308 | 12,520 | 9,452 | 91 | 2 | 182 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 49 | 10,197 | 9,791 | 17,784 | 5,795 | 77 | 2 | 154 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 116 | 6,058 | 27,277 | 19,003 | 9,593 | 108 | 3 | 324 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 54 | 1,837 | 35,639 | 10,471 | 4,937 | 138 | 3 | 414 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 13 | 297 | 22,070 | 3,542 | 3,021 | 83 | 3 | 249 |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 33 | 168 | 37,291 | 2,386 | 4,717 | 88 | 3 | 264 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 16 | 44 | 28,218 | 134 | 2,121 | 96 | 3 | 288 |
| 39 | 22-Sep | 36 | 9 | 8,699 | 0 | 524 | 46 | 2 | 92 |
| 40 | 29-Sep | 27 | 0 | 3,007 | 0 | 130 | 17 | 2 | 34 |
| 41 | 06-Oct | 2 | 1 | 881 | 0 | 27 | 8 | 2 | 16 |
|  |  | 2,068 | 144,084 | 197,952 | 133,360 | 124,580 | 1,555 | 39 | 3,623 |

Appendix A.8. Weekly stock proportions of sockeye salmon harvested in the Alaskan District 106 commercial drift gillnet fisheries, 1991. Data based on SPA.


Appendix A.9. Weekly stock-specific catch of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 106 commercial drift gillnet fisheries, 1991. Catches do not include Blind Slough terminal area harvests. Data based on SPA.


Numbers may not sum due to rounding error.

Appendix A.10. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 108 commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Catches do not include Ohmer Creek terminal area harvests.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Permits | Days | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Permit } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 103 | 359 | 3 | 0 | 15 | 7 | 2.0 | 14 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 121 | 1,459 | 31 | 26 | 49 | 10 | 2.0 | 20 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 1,022 | 7,074 | 134 | 343 | 929 | 80 | 3.0 | 172 |
| 28 | 07-Ju1 | 1. 72 | 3,486 | 65 | 343 | 536 | 23 | 4.0 | 62 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 70 | 5,233 | 333 | 4,553 | 4,770 | 41 | 6.5 | 108 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 66 | 4,063 | 541 | 4,467 | 4,038 | 49 | 4.0 | 58 |
| 31 | 28-Ju1 | 3 | 108 | 8 | 518 | 103 | 4 | 2.0 | 8 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 365 | 184 | 476 | 383 | 7 | 2.0 | 14 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 8 | 116 | 56 | 55 | a/ | 2.0 |  |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 45 | 219 | 90 | 38 | 3 | 3.0 | 9 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 2 | 54 | 1,102 | 48 | 133 | 11 | 3.0 | 33 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 1 | 1 | 1219 | 0 | 0 | a/ | 3.0 | a) |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 8 | 15 | 4,100 | 15 | 135 | 21 | 3.0 | 63 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 5 | 2 | 4,301 | 0 | 111 | 15 | 3.0 | 45 |
| 39 | 22-Sep | 9 | 3 | 3,005 | 0 | 86 | 28 | 2.0 | 56 |
| 40 | 29-sep | 22 | 0 | 1,337 | 0 | 21 | 9 | 2.0 | 18 |
| 41 | 06-Oct | 0 | 0 | 166 | 0 | 0 | a/ | 2.0 | a/ |
|  |  | 1,504 | 22,275 | 15,864 | 10,935 | 11,402 | 315 | 48.5 | 696 |

a/ Weekly effort is confidential; effort for these weeks is included in the total
Permit days may not equal permits * days since some permits fished only a portion of the fishing period.

Appendix A.11. Weekly stock proportions and stock-specific catch of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 108 commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Catches do not include ohmer creek terminal area harvests. Data based on SPA.


Appendix A. 12. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 108 test fishery, 1991.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Boats | Hours | Boat Days |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 10 | 93 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 21.41 | 1.78 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 2 | 257 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 21.00 | 1.75 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 3 | 109 | 0 | 1 | 58 | 2 | 21.92 | 1.83 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 4 | 213 | 0 | 4 | 38 | 2 | 21.75 | 1.81 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 2 | 95 | 0 | 97 | 85 | 2 | 20.33 | 1.69 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 0 | 68 | 12 | 129 | 172 | 2 | 22.50 | 1.88 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 0 | 58 | 6 | 159 | 96 | 2 | 26.08 | 2.17 |
|  |  | 21 | 893 | 18 | 390 | 455 | 14 | 154.99 | 12.92 |

Appendix A.13. Stock compositions and stock-specific catch of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 108 test fishery, 1991. Stock compositions from weekly commercial fishery catches were applied to weekly test fishery catches. Data based on SPA.

|  | Alaska |  | Stikine |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Canada | Tahltan | non- <br> Tahltan | Total |
| Proportions | 0.128 | 0.128 | 0.494 | 0.251 | 0.745 |
| Catches | 114 | 114 | 441 | 224 | 665 |

Appendix A.14. Weekly salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the canadian commercial fishery in the lower Stikine River, 1991.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Catch |  |  |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook |  | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Steel- } \\ & \text { head } \end{aligned}$ | Permits | Days | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Permit } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Jacks | Large |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 73 | 121 | 163 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5.50 | 2.0 | 11.00 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 122 | 229 | 2,887 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12.00 | 2.0 | 24.00 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 64 | 198 | 4,961 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 13.67 | 3.0 | 41.01 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 48 | 64 | 4,530 | 0 | 52 | 28 | 0 | 13.20 | 3.0 | 39.60 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 10 | 17 | 1,478 | 0 | 36 | 27 | 1 | 13.75 | 2.0 | 27.50 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 1 | 9 | 2,765 | 18 | 240 | 67 | 9 | 6.60 | 5.0 | 33.00 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 3 | 537 | 9 | 45 | 23 | 1 | 5.67 | 3.0 | 17.01 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 0 | 130 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 0 | 4.15 | 2.0 | 8.30 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 0 | 3 | 23 | 5 | 10 | 0 | 3.07 | 1.0 | 3.07 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 0 | 0 | 46 | 307 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 3.67 | 3.0 | 11.01 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 0 | 0 | 23 | 342 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 4.00 | 2.0 | 8.00 |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 0 | 0 | 33 | 1,107 | 0 | 2 | 21 | 5.50 | 4.0 | 22.00 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 0 | 0 | 7 | 825 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 5.28 | 7.0 | 36.96 |
| Total |  | 318 | 641 | 17,563 | 2,638 | 394 | 208 | 71 |  | 39.0 | 282.46 |

Appendix A.15. Weekly sockeye salmon stock proportions and catch by stock in the Canadian commercial fishery in the lower stikine River, 1991. Sex specific age compositions were calculated and the stock composition of the females sampled for egg diameters was expanded to the catch by age.


Appendix A.16. Weekly salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the canadian commercial fishery in the upper Stikine River, 1991. It is assumed that $90 \%$ of the sockeye catch is of Tahltan origin.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Catch |  |  |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook |  | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Steelhead | Permits | Days | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Permit } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Jacks | Large |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 2 | 38 | 126 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| 28 | 07-Ju1 | 26 | 77 | 399 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 4 | 2 | 156 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 0 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 |
| 31 | 28-Ju1 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Total |  | 32 | 117 | 761 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13.0 | 6.0 | 13.0 |

Appendix A.17. Weekly salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the Canadian Indian food fishery located at Telegraph Creek, on the Stikine River, 1991. It is assumed that $90 \%$ of the sockeye catch is of Tahltan origin.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Catch |  |  |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook |  | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Steelhead | Permits | Days | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Permit } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Jacks | Large |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | 09-Jun | 10 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.8 | 6 | 10.8 |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 24 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.7 | 4 | 10.8 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 0 | 66 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.0 | 6 | 12.0 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 8 | 67 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.5 | 4 | 10.0 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 95 | 300 | 1,286 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6.9 | 7 | 48.3 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 101 | 116 | 1,812 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9.7 | 7 | 67.9 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 52 | 64 | 1,037 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12.7 | 7 | 88.9 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 13 | 29 | 149 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10.6 | 7 | 74.2 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 7 | 12 | 100 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.4 | 7 | 16.8 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 6 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2.0 | 7 | 14.0 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | 3 | 3.0 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1.0 | 1 | 1.0 |
| Total |  | 310 | 753 | 4,439 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 55.3 | 66 | 357.7 |

Appendix A.18. Weekly salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the Canadian test fishery in the Stikine River, 1991.

| Week | Start <br> Date | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Steelhead | \# Drifts/ Set Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Drift gillnet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 37 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 21 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 20 | 146 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 8 | 83 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 40 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 3 | 61 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 39 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 2 | 74 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 50 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 0 | 25 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 20 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 23 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 40 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 25 | 20 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 50 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 29 | 42 | 7 | 9 | 0 | 60 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 0 | 9 | 37 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 40 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 0 | 1 | 16 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 15 |
| Total |  | 91 | 503 | 118 | 37 | 30 | 3 | 509 |
| Set gillnet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 40 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 228 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 10 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 168 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 23 | 487 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 216 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 9 | 365 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 168 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 4 | 410 | 1 | 29 | 5 | 0 | 168 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 1 | 272 | 0 | 49 | 13 | 0 | 180 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 2 | 47 | 0 | 36 | 3 | 0 | 72 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 3 | 73 | 4 | 13 | 8 | 0 | 132 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 102 | 54 | 52 | 9 | 1 | 168 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 34 | 68 | 16 | 10 | 0 | 168 |
| Total |  | 92 | 1,872 | 127 | 197 | 48 | 1 | 1,668 |

a/ Count includes 1 jack chinook salmon in drift and 15 in setnet catches.

Appendix A.19. Weekly sockeye salmon stock proportions in the Stikine River test fishery, 1991. Sex specific age compositions were calculated and the smoothed stock composition of the females sampled for egg diameters was expanded to the catch by age.

| Week | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sample } \\ & \text { size } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Tahltan | nonTahltan |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 21 | 0.763 | 0.237 |
| 26 | 32 | 0.958 | 0.042 |
| 27 | 323 | 0.885 | 0.115 |
| 28 | 235 | 0.775 | 0.225 |
| 29 | 222 | 0.584 | 0.416 |
| 30 | 187 | 0.384 | 0.616 |
| 31 | 32 | 0.236 | 0.764 |
| 32 | 28 | 0.073 | 0.927 |
| 33 | 66 | 0.050 | 0.950 |
| 34 | 29 | 0.016 | 0.984 |
| 35 | 6 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
| 36 | 1 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
|  | 1,182 |  |  |

Appendix A.20. Weekly catch, CPUE, and migratory timing of Tahltan and non-Tahltan sockeye stocks in the stikine River test fishery, 1991. Sex specific age compositions were calculated and the smoothed stock composition of the females sampled for egg diameters was expanded to the catch by age.

| Week | Catch |  | CPUE |  |  | Migratory | Timing |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tahltan | non- <br> Tahltan | Tahltan | non- <br> Tahltan | Total | Tahltan | nonTahltan |
| Drift gillnet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | 2 | 0 | 0.028 | 0.009 | 0.036 | 0.002 | 0.001 |
| 26 | 24 | 1 | 0.479 | 0.021 | 0.500 | 0.041 | 0.002 |
| 27 | 129 | 17 | 2.583 | 0.337 | 2.920 | 0.221 | 0.029 |
| 28 | 64 | 19 | 1.607 | 0.468 | 2.075 | 0.138 | 0.040 |
| 29 | 36 | 25 | 0.913 | 0.651 | 1. 564 | 0.078 | 0.056 |
| 30 | 28 | 46 | 0.569 | 0.911 | 1.480 | 0.049 | 0.078 |
| 31 | 6 | 19 | 0.295 | 0.955 | 1.250 | 0.025 | 0.082 |
| 32 | 2 | 21 | 0.042 | 0.533 | 0.575 | 0.004 | 0.046 |
| 33 | 1 | 24 | 0.025 | 0.475 | 0.500 | 0.002 | 0.041 |
| 34 | 0 | 29 | 0.008 | 0.476 | 0.483 | 0.001 | 0.041 |
| 35 | 0 | 9 | 0.000 | 0.225 | 0.225 | 0.000 | 0.019 |
| 36 | 0 | 1 | 0.000 | 0.067 | 0.067 | 0.000 | 0.006 |
| Total | 292 | 211 | 6.549 | 5.127 | 11.675 |  |  |
| Proportion | 0.581 | 0.419 |  | Proportion | of run | 0.561 | 0.439 |
| Set gillnet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | 27 | 9 | 0.120 | 0.037 | 0.158 | 0.011 | 0.003 |
| 26 | 44 | 2 | 0.262 | 0.012 | 0.274 | 0.024 | 0.001 |
| 27 | 431 | 56 | 1.995 | 0.260 | 2.255 | 0.184 | 0.024 |
| 28 | 283 | 82 | 1.683 | 0.490 | 2.173 | 0.155 | 0.045 |
| 29 | 239 | 171 | 1.425 | 1.016 | 2.440 | 0.132 | 0.094 |
| 30 | 105 | 167 | 0.581 | 0.930 | 1. 511 | 0.054 | 0.086 |
| 31 | 11 | 36 | 0.154 | 0.499 | 0.653 | 0.014 | 0.046 |
| 32 | 5 | 68 | 0.040 | 0.513 | 0.553 | 0.004 | 0.047 |
| 33 | 5 | 97 | 0.030 | 0.577 | 0.607 | 0.003 | 0.053 |
| 34 | 1 | 33 | 0.003 | 0.199 | 0.202 | 0.000 | 0.018 |
| Total | 1151 | 721 | 6.294 | 4.532 | 10.826 | 0.581 | 0.419 |
| Proportion | 0.615 | 0.385 |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix A.21. Daily counts of adult sockeye salmon passing through Tah1tan weir, 1991 . The weir was installed on July 6 , but no fish passed through prior to July 15.


Appendix A.22. Daily counts of sockeye salmon smolt migrating through Tahltan Lake smolt weir, 1991.

| Date | Cumulative |  |  | Date | Count | Cumulative |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Count | Count | Percent |  |  | Count | Percent |
| 05-May | 0 |  |  | 27-May | 2,670 | 1,166,367 | 78.4 |
| $06-\mathrm{May}$ | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 28-May | 92,106 | 1,258,473 | 84.6 |
| 07-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 29-May | 38,860 | $1,297,333$ | 87.2 |
| 08-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 30-May | 41,094 | 1,338,427 | 90.0 |
| 09-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 31-May | 34,166 | $1,372,593$ | 92.3 |
| 10-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 01-Jun | 3338 | 1,375,931 | 92.5 |
| 11-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 02-Jun | 10642 | 1,386,573 | 93.2 |
| 12-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 03-Jun | 16,620 | 1,403,193 | 94.3 |
| 13-May | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 04-Jun | 1,246 | 1,404,439 | 94.4 |
| 14-May | 6 | 6 | 0.0 | 05-Jun | 844 | 1,405, 283 | 94.5 |
| 15-May | 84 | 90 | 0.0 | 06-Jun | 9,166 | 1,414,449 | 95.1 |
| 16 -May | 500 | 590 | 0.0 | 07-Jun | 382 | 1,414,831 | 95.1 |
| 17-May | 160,082 | 160,672 | 10.8 | 08-Jun | 214 | 1,415,045 | 95.1 |
| 18-May | 3,914 | 164,586 | 11.1 | 09-Jun | 476 | 1,415,521 | 95.2 |
| 19-May | 65,464 | 230,050 | 15.5 | 10-Jun | 3,174 | 1,418,695 | 95.4 |
| 20-May | 311,716 | 541,766 | 36.4 | 11-Jun | 3,800 | 1,422,495 | 95.6 |
| 21-May | 482,794 | 1,024,560 | 68.9 | 12-Jun | 8,824 | 1,431,319 | 96.2 |
| 22-May | 23,280 | 1,047,840 | 70.5 | 13-Jun | 8,354 | 1,439,673 | 96.8 |
| 23-May | 10,895 | 1,058,735 | 71.2 |  |  |  |  |
| 24-May | 68,642 | 1,127,377 | 75.8 | Total ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ |  | 1,487,265 | 100.0 |
| 25-May | 2,440 | 1,129,817 | 76.0 | Enhanced |  | 266,868 | 17.9 |
| 26-May | 33,880 | 1,163,697 | 78.2 | Natural |  | 1,220,397 | 82.1 |

[^1]Appendix A.23. Daily counts of adult chinook salmon passing through Little Tahltan weir, 1991.


Appendix B.1. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-41 and -42 (Sumner Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1964-1991.


Appendix B.2. Stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan Subdistrict $106-41$ and -42 (Sumner Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1985-1991. Data based on SPA.


Appendix B.3. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-30 (Clarence strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1964-1991.


Appendix B.4. Stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan Subdistrict $106-30$ (Clarence Strait) commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1985-1991. Data based on SPA.


Appendix B. 5. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 106 commercial drift gillnet fisheries, 1964-1991. Catches do not include Blind Slough terminal area harvests.

| Year | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Permit } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Days } \\ & \text { Open } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1964 | 2,082 | 76,541 | 64,654 | 443,086 | 44,218 | 5,383 | 49.00 |
| 1965 | 1,802 | 87,749 | 75,728 | 625,848 | 27,658 | 4,507 | 50.75 |
| 1966 | 1,665 | 89,847 | 62,823 | 400,932 | 40,756 | 4,978 | 74.25 |
| 1967 | 1,318 | 86,385 | 17,670 | 91,609 | 26,370 | 2,511 | 27.00 |
| 1968 | 1,316 | 64,671 | 67,151 | 169,107 | 61,366 | 4,965 | 52.00 |
| 1969 | 1,036 | 70,343 | 10,748 | 197,100 | 10,906 | 2,173 | 31.00 |
| 1970 | 785 | 42,778 | 35,470 | 94,892 | 32,231 | 1,930 | 41.00 |
| 1971 | 1,336 | 53,202 | 48,085 | 527,975 | 37,680 | 3,136 | 50.00 |
| 1972 | 2,573 | 101,338 | 93,427 | 89,467 | 72,382 | 3,428 | 41.00 |
| 1973 | 1,931 | 71,995 | 38,447 | 303,621 | 87,729 | 3,556 | 26.00 |
| 1974 | 2,038 | 57,242 | 45,714 | 104,337 | 50,303 | 2,291 | 28.00 |
| 1975 | 2,587 | 32,051 | 30,962 | 203,015 | 23,968 | 1,674 | 17.00 |
| 1976 | 384 | 15,481 | 19,126 | 139,439 | 6,868 | 893 | 21.00 |
| 1977 | 671 | 67,023 | 8,401 | 419,107 | 13,300 | 1,387 | 21.00 |
| 1978 | 2,682 | 41,574 | 55,578 | 224,715 | 16,545 | 1,537 | 26.50 |
| 1979 | 2,720 | 66,373 | 28,083 | 648,212 | 35,507 | 2,800 | 25.00 |
| 1980 | . 580 | 107,418 | 16,580 | 45,560 | 26,269 | 1,345 | 25.00 |
| 1981 | 1,565 | 182,905 | 22,611 | 435,268 | 34,571 | 3,053 | 26.00 |
| 1982 | 1,648 | 193,360 | 31,671 | 25,484 | 18,615 | 1,730 | 22.00 |
| 1983 | 567 | 48,942 | 62,430 | 208,167 | 20,144 | 1,464 | 37.00 |
| 1984 | 892 | 91,653 | 41,359 | 343,255 | 70,258 | 1,823 | 32.00 |
| 1985 | 1,690 | 264,987 | 91,220 | 584,946 | 69,661 | 3,098 | 38.00 |
| 1986 | 1,704 | 145,709 | 194,912 | 308,484 | 82,289 | 3,560 | 32.00 |
| 1987 | 836 | 136,427 | 34,534 | 243,482 | 42,025 | 1,777 | 20.00 |
| 1988 | 1,104 | 92,529 | 13,103 | 69,499 | 69,620 | 1,497 | 19.00 |
| 1989 | 1,544 | 192,734 | 92,386 | 1101194 | 67,351 | 3,299 | 34.00 |
| 1990 | 2,107 | 185,805 | 164,211 | 319,186 | 73,232 | 3,503 | 34.00 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 64-90 | 1,502 | 95,433 | 50,111 | 309,531 | 41,869 | 2,684 | 33.29 |
| 81-90 | 1,213 | 145,666 | 60,081 | 336,534 | 50,080 | 2,265 | 28.50 |
| 1991 | 2,068 | 144,084 | 197,952 | 133,360 | 124,580 | 3,623 | 39.00 |

Appendix B. 6. stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 106 commercial drift gillnet fisheries, 1982-1991. Catches do not include Blind Slough terminal area harvests. Data based on SPA.

| Year | Alaska | Canada | Stikine |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Tahltan | $\begin{aligned} & \text { non- } \\ & \text { Tah1tan } \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| Proportions |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1982 | 0.486 | 0.319 |  |  | 0.194 |
| 1983 | 0.668 | 0.217 | 0.103 | 0.013 | 0.116 |
| 1984 | 0.658 | 0.269 | 0.029 | 0.044 | 0.074 |
| 1985 | 0.479 | 0.419 | 0.091 | 0.011 | 0.102 |
| 1986 | 0.689 | 0.293 | 0.014 | 0.004 | 0.018 |
| 1987 | 0.827 | 0.155 | 0.010 | 0.007 | 0.017 |
| 1988 | 0.874 | 0.106 | 0.020 | 0.001 | 0.020 |
| 1989 | 0.657 | 0.311 | 0.006 | 0.026 | 0.032 |
| 1990 | 0.608 | 0.371 | 0.005 | 0.016 | 0.021 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1983-1990 | 0.682 | 0.268 | 0.035 | 0.015 | 0.050 |
| 1991 | 0.545 | 0.331 | 0.100 | 0.024 | 0.124 |
| Catches |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1982 | 94,061 | 61,714 |  |  | 37,585 |
| 1983 | 32,670 | 10,611 | 5,030 | 632 | 5,662 |
| 1984 | 60,278 | 24,624 | 2,673 | 4,078 | 6,751 |
| 1985 | 126,914 | 111,015 | 24,045 | 3,013 | 27,058 |
| 1986 | 100,337 | 42,685 | 2,081 | 606 | 2,687 |
| 1987 | 112,893 | 21,190 | 1,376 | 968 | 2,344 |
| 1988 | 80,868 | 9,784 | 1,813 | 64 | 1,877 |
| 1989 | 126,603 | 59,959 | 1,111 | 5,061 | 6,172 |
| 1990 | 112,983 | 68,921 | 915 | 2,986 | 3,901 |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Averages } \\ 1983-1990 \end{array}$ | 94, 193 | 43,599 | 4,881 | 2,176 | 7,057 |
| 1991 | 78,524 | 47,699 | 14,361 | 3,500 | 17,861 |

Appendix B.7. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 108 commercial drift gillnet fishery, $1964-1991$. Catches do not include Ohmer Creek terminal area harvests.

| Year | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Chinook | sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | ```Permit Days``` | Days Open |
| 1964 | 2,911 | 20,299 | 29,388 | 114,555 | 10,771 | 3,416 | 62.00 |
| 1965 | 3,106 | 21,419 | 8,301 | 4,729 | 2,480 | 960 | 48.00 |
| 1966 | 4,516 | 36,710 | 16,493 | 61,908 | 17,730 | 1,841 | 62.00 |
| 1967 | 6,372 | 29,226 | 6,747 | 4,713 | 5,955 | 1,193 | 40.00 |
| 1968 | 4,604 | 14,594 | 36,407 | 91,028 | 14,537 | 3,114 | 61.00 |
| 1969 | 5,023 | 19,210 | 5,823 | 11,884 | 2,312 | 858 | 37.00 |
| 1970 | 3,207 | 15,120 | 18,403 | 20,523 | 12,305 | 1,180 | 41.00 |
| 1971 | 3,717 | 18,143 | 14,876 | 21,806 | 4,665 | 1892 | 42.00 |
| 1972 | 9,332 | 51,734 | 38,520 | 17,153 | 17,363 | 1,922 | 49.00 |
| 1973 | 9,254 | 21,387 | 5,837 | 6,585 | 6,680 | 1,042 | 21.00 |
| 1974 | 8,199 | 2,428 | 16,021 | 4,188 | 2,107 | 550 | 16.00 |
| 1975 | 1,534 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  | 8.00 |
| 1976 | 1,123 | 18 | 6,056 | 722 | 124 | 130 | 10.00 |
| 1977 | 1,443 | 48,374 | 14,405 | 16,253 | 4,233 | 740 | 19.00 |
| 1978 | 531 | 56 | 32,650 | 1,157 | 1,001 | 608 | 12.00 |
| 1979 | 91 | 2,158 | 234 | 13,478 | 1,064 | 100 | 5.00 |
| 1980 | 631 | 14,053 | 2,946 | 7,224 | 6,910 | 327 | 22.00 |
| 1981 | 283 | 8,833 | 1,403 | 1,466 | 3,594 | 177 | 9.00 |
| 1982 | 1,033 | 6,886 | 19,971 | 16,988 | 741 | 508 | 21.00 |
| 1983 | 47 | 178 | 15,484 | 4,171 | 675 | 266 | 17.00 |
| 1984 | 14 | 1,290 | 5,141 | 4,960 | 1,892 | 34 | 5.00 |
| 1985 | 20 | 1,060 | 1,926 | 5,325 | 1,892 | 50 | 14.00 |
| 1986 | 102 | 4,185 | 7,439 | 4,901 | 5,928 | 216 | 25.00 |
| 1987 | 149 | 1,620 | 1,015 | 3,331 | 949 | 81 | 13.00 |
| 1988 | 206 | 1,246 | 12 | 144 | 3,109 | 60 | 8.00 |
| 1989 | 310 | 10,083 | 4,261 | 27,640 | 3,375 | 223 | 29.00 |
| 1990 | 557 | 11,574 | 8,218 | 13,822 | 9,382 | 359 | 34.00 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 64-90 | 2,530 | 13,403 | 11,777 | 17,802 | 5,251 | 802 | 27.04 |
| 81-90 | 272 | 4,696 | 6,487 | 8,275 | 3,154 | 197 | 17.50 |
| 1991 | 1,504 | 22,275 | 15,864 | 10,935 | 11,402 | 696 | 49.00 |

Appendix B.8. Stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 108 commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1985-1991. Catches do not include Ohmer Creek terminal area harvests. Data based on SPA.


Appendix B.9. Salmon catch in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-41 (Sumner Strait) test fishery, 1984-1991.

|  | Catch |  |  |  |  | Boat Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum |  |
| 1984 | 13 | 1,370 | 101 | 975 | 793 | 142.51 |
| 1985 | 16 | 4,345 | 301 | 3,230 | 746 | 156.31 |
| 1986 | 23 | 982 | 177 | 60 | 248 | 99.45 |
| 1987 | 24 | 2,659 | 799 | 4,117 | 741 | 508.10 |
| 1988 | 11 | 1,020 | 89 | 137 | 772 | 121.00 |
| 1989 | 11 | 2,043 | 275 | 6,069 | 856 | 60.20 |
| 1990 | 13 | 2,256 | 432 | 372 | 552 | 7.00 |
| 1991 | The | was no | t fish | in 19 |  |  |

Appendix B.10. Stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-41 and -42 (Sumner Strait) test fishery, 1984-1991. Data based on SPA.


Appendix B.11. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan Subdistrict 106-30 (Clarence Strait) test fishery, 1986-1991.

| Catch |  |  |  |  |  | Boat Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum |  |
| 1986 | 24 | 363 | 95 | 80 | 58 | 23.25 |
| 1987 | 1 | 899 | 589 | 1,705 | 467 | 384.00 |
| 1988 | 10 | 16 | 412 | 112 | 598 | 119.70 |
| 1989 | 4 | 37 | 464 | 431 | 329 |  |
| 1990 | Ther | was no | fish | $y$ in 1 |  |  |
| 1991 | Ther | was no | t fish | \% in 1 |  |  |



Appendix B.13. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 106 test fisheries 1984-1991.

| Catch |  |  |  |  |  | Boat Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum |  |
| 1984 | 13 | 1,370 | 101 | 975 | 793 | 142.51 |
| 1985 | 16 | 4,345 | 301 | 3,230 | 746 | 156.31 |
| 1986 | 47 | 1,345 | 272 | 140 | 306 | 122.70 |
| 1987 | 25 | 3,558 | 1,388 | 5,822 | 1,208 | 892.10 |
| 1988 | 21 | 1,036 | 501 | 249 | 1,370 | 240.70 |
| 1989 | 15 | 2,080 | 739 | 6,500 | 1,185 | 60.20 |
| 1990 | 13 | 2,256 | 432 | 372 | 552 | 7.00 |
| 1991 | Ther | were no | st fis | ries i | 91 |  |

Appendix B.14. Stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 106 test fisheries, 1984-1991. Data based on SPA.

|  |  |  | Stikine |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Alaska | Canada | Tahltan | $\begin{aligned} & \text { non- } \\ & \text { Tahltan } \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| Proportions |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1984 | 0.658 | 0.269 | 0.029 | 0.044 | 0.074 |
| 1985 | 0.480 | 0.401 | 0.109 | 0.010 | 0.119 |
| 1986 | 0.805 | 0.182 | 0.006 | 0.007 | 0.013 |
| 1987 | 0.823 | 0.160 | 0.012 | 0.006 | 0.017 |
| 1988 | 0.867 | 0.100 | 0.033 | 0.000 | 0.033 |
| 1989 | 0.622 | 0.307 | 0.016 | 0.055 | 0.071 |
| 1990 | 0.548 | 0.416 | 0.014 | 0.022 | 0.035 |
| 1991 | There w | e no te | t fisher | es in 19 |  |
| Catch |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1984 |  | $368$ |  | 61 | 101 |
| 1985 | 2,085 | 1,741 | 475 | 44 | 519 |
| 1986 | 1,082 | - 245 | 8 | 9 | 17 |
| 1987 | 2,928 | 568 | 42 | 20 | 62 |
| 1988 | 898 | 104 | 35 | 0 | 35 |
| 1989 | 1,293 | 639 | 34 | 114 | 148 |
| 1990 | 1,237 | 939 | 31 | 49 | 80 |
| 1991 | There w | re no te | t fisher | es in 19 |  |

Appendix B.15. Salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 108 test fishery 1984-1991.

|  | Catch |  |  |  |  | Boat Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum |  |
| 1984 | 37 | 641 | 11 | 822 | 813 |  |
| 1985 | 33 | 1,258 | 11 | 465 | 381 | 71.67 |
| 1986 | 79 | 564 | 3 | 36 | 315 | 72.15 |
| 1987 | 30 | 290 | 13 | 1,957 | 488 | 76.87 |
| 1988 | 65 | 451 | 9 | 1,091 | 1,009 | 126.83 |
| 1989 | 15 | 1,038 | 45 | 2,459 | 283 | 63.47 |
| 1990 | 19 | 866 | 45 | 942 | 643 | 7.00 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 84-90 | 40 | 730 | 20 | 1,110 | 562 | 69.67 |
| 1991 | 21 | 893 | 18 | 390 | 455 | 154.99 |



Appendix B.17. Salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the Canadian commercial fishery in the lower Stikine River, 1979-1991.

a/ The lower river commercial catch in 1979 includes the upper river commercial catch.
Effort data not available
d) There was no commercial fishery in 1984.
d Chinook average is for jacks and large fish combined.

Appendix B.18. Sockeye salmon stock proportions and catch by stock in the Canadian commercial fishery in the lower Stikine River, 1979-1991. Stock compositions based on: scale circuli counts 1979-1983, SPA in 1985; average of SPA and GPA 1986; SPA in 1987 and 1988; and egg diameter in 1989-1991.

a) There was no commercial fishery in 1984.

a/ Catches in 1979 were included in the lower river commercial catches.
) There was no commercial fishery in 1984.
Chinook averages are for jacks and large fish combined.

Appendix B.20. Salmon and steelhead trout catch in the Canadian Indian food fishery located at Telegraph Creek, on the Stikine River, 1972-1991.


Chinook averages are for jacks and large fish combined.

Appendix B.21. Salmon and steelhead trout catch in the combined Canadian net fisheries in the Stikine River, 1972-1991.

a) There was no commercial fishery in 1984
b) Chinook averages are for jacks and large fish combined.

Appendix B.22. Salmon and steelhead trout catches and effort in Canadian test fisheries in the stikine River, 1985-1991.

| Year | Fishery | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Chinook } \\ & \text { Jacks } \end{aligned}$ | Large | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | ChumSteelhead |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effort } \\ & \text { Drift }=\# \\ & \text { Set }=\text { hr. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1985 | C. Set |  |  | 1,340 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1986 | C. Drift | 12 | 27 | 412 | 226 | 8 | 25 |  | 405 |
| 1987 | J. Drift | a) | 128 | 385 | 162 | 111 | 61 |  | 845 |
|  | J. Set | 19 | 61 | 1,283 | 620 | 587 | 193 |  | 1,456 |
| 1988 | J. Drift | 14 | 168 | 325 | 75 | 9 | 33 | 7 | 720 |
|  | J. Set | 15 | 101 | 922 | 130 | 23 | 65 | 14 | 1,380 |
| 1989 | C. Drift | 4 | 116 | 364 | 242 | 41 | 46 | 5 | + 870 |
|  | C. Set | 20 | 101 | 1,243 | 502 | 249 | 103 | 17 | 1,392 |
| 1990 | C. Drift | 6 | 167 | 447 | 134 | 5 | 29 | 6 | 673 |
|  | C. Set | 12 | 64 | 1,493 | 271 | 42 | 48 | 18 | 1,212 |
| 1991 | C. Drift | 1 | 90 | 503 | 118 | 37 | 30 | 3 | 509 |
|  | C. Set | 15 | 77 | 1872 | 127 | 197 | 48 | 1 | 1668 |

[^2]
a) Average proportions are from averages of weekly estimates.

Appendix B.24. Estimated proportion of inriver run comprised of Tahltan and non-Tahltan sockeye stocks, 1979-1990. Stock compositions based on: scale circuli counts 1979-1983, SPA in 1985; average of SPA and GPA 1986-1988; and egg diameter analysis in 1989-1991.


Appendix B. 25 . Counts of adult sockeye salmon migrating through Tahltan Lake weir, $1959-1991$.

af Question as to date weir installed.
of Daily counts unavailable.
A slide occurred blocking the entrance for a while.

Appendix B.26. Aerial survey counts of non-Tahltan sockeye stocks in the Stikine River drainage, $1984-1991$. The index represents the combined counts from eight spawning areas.

| Year | Escapement <br> Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1984 | 2,329 |
| 1985 | 136 |
| 1986 | 691 |
| 1987 | 376 |
| 1988 | 809 |
| 1989 | 743 |
| Averages | 951 |
| $84-90$ | 638 |

Appendix B.27. Estimates of sockeye salmon smolt migrating through Tahltan Lake smolt weir, 1984-1991.

|  |  | Date of Arrival |  |  | Estimated Outmigration |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Weir <br> Installed | First | 50\% | 90\% | Total | Enhanced | Natural |
| 1984 | 10-May | 11-May | 23-May | 06-Jun | 219,702 |  |  |
| 1985 | 25-Apr | 23-May | 31-May | 28-May | 613,531 |  |  |
| 1986 | 08-May | 10-May | 31-May | 07-Jun | 244,330 |  |  |
| 1987 | 07-May | 15-May | 23-May | 24-May | 810,432 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
| 1988 | 01-May | 08-May | 20-May | 06-Jun | 1,170,136 |  |  |
| 1989 | 05-May | 08-May | 22-May | 06-Jun | 580,574 |  |  |
| 1990 | 05-May | 15-May | 29-May | 05-Jun | 610, 407 ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ |  |  |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 84-90 | 04-May | 12-May | 25-May | 02-Jun | 607,016 |  |  |
| 86-90 | 05-May | 11-May | 25-May | 03-Jun | 683,176 |  |  |
| 1991 | 05-May | 14-May | 21-May | 30-May | 1,487,265e/ | 266,868 | 1220397 |

a/ Estimate includes approximately 30,000 mortalities from overcrowding on 5/22.
b/ Estimate of 595,147 on June 14 expanded by average of outmigration by date ( $97.5 \%$ from historical data.

Appendix B. 28. Weir counts of chinook salmon at Little Tahltan River, 1985-1991.

| Year | Weir <br> Installed | Large Chinook |  |  |  | Jacks (chinook <600 mm poh length) |  |  |  | Total All Chinook |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | First | 50\% | 90\% | Total | First | 50\% | 90\% | Total |  |
|  |  | Arrival | Arrival | Arrival | Count | Arrival | Arrival | Arrival | Count |  |
| 1985 | 03-Jul | 04-Jul | 30-Jul | 06-Aug | 3,114 | 04-Jul | 31-Jul | 10-Aug | 316 | 3,430 |
| 1986 | 28-Jun | 29-Jun | 21-Ju1 | 05-Aug | 2,891 | 03-Ju1 | 25-Ju1 | 06-Aug | 572 | 3,463 |
| 1987 | 28-Jun | 04-Jul | 24-Ju1 | 02-Aug | 4,783 | 03-Ju1 | 26-Jul | 06-Aug | 365 | 5,148 |
| 1988 | 26-Jun | 27-Jun | 18-Jul | 03-Aug | 7,292 | 27-Jun | 17-Jul | 02-Aug | 327 | 7,619 |
| 1989 | 25-Jun | 26-Jun | 23-Jul | 02-Aug | 4,715 | 26-Jun | 23-Ju1 | 02-Aug | 199 | 4,914 |
| 1990 | 22-Jun | 29-Jun | 23-Ju1 | 04-Aug | 4,392 | 05-Jul | 22-Jul | 30-Jul | 417 | 4,809 |
| $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { Averages } \\ 85-90 \end{array}$ | 27-Jun | 29-Jun | 23-Jul | 03-Aug | 4,531 | 01-Jul | 24-Jul | 04-Aug | 366 | 4,897 |
| 1991 | 23-Jun | 25-Jun | 20-Jul | 03-Aug | 4,506 | 03-Ju1 | 24-Jul | 07-Aug | 313 | 4,819 |

Appendix B.29. Index counts of Stikine chinook escapements, 1979-1991. Counts do not include jacks (fish less than 600 mm mef length).


[^3]Appendix B. 30. Index counts of stikine coho salmon escapements, 1984-1991.

| Index Area | Year and Survey Date |  |  |  |  |  | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 | 1988 | 1985 | 1984 |  |
|  |  | 10/30 | 10/27 | 10/28 | 10/25 | 10/30 |  |
| Katete (south) | 302 | 94 | 336 | 32 | 590 | 460 | 302 |
| Katete (north) | 878 | 548 | 896 | 227 | 1,217 |  | 753 |
| Craig | 985 | 810 | 992 | a/ | 735 | 0 | 587 |
| Jekill |  |  | a/ | a/ |  | 0 |  |
| Verret | 218 | 494 | 848 | 175 | 39 | 15 | 298 |
| Bronson slough |  |  | 120 |  | 0 | 42 | 54 |
| Scud Slough | 221 | 664 | 707 | 97 |  |  | 422 |
| Porcupine | 352 | 430 | 90 | 53 |  |  | 231 |
| Christina |  |  | 55 | 0 |  |  | 28 |
| Total | 2,956 | 3,040 | 4,044 | 584 | 2,581 | 517 | 2,287 |

a/ Poor observation conditions

Appendix B. 31. Stikine River sockeye salmon run size, 1979-1991. Catches include test fishery catches.


[^4]| Appendix C.1. | Weekly $1991$ | almon c | ch and | effort | the Al | Dist | $111$ | rcia | drift | fishery, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |  |
|  | Start |  |  |  |  |  |  | Days | Boat |  |
| Week | Date | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Boats | Open | Days |  |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 1,108 | 2,952 | 6 | 0 | 800 | 73 | 3.0 | 219.0 |  |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 953 | 5,720 | 14 | 17 | 2,090 | 71 | 3.0 | 213.0 |  |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 269 | 9,173 | 12 | 286 | 2,115 | 68 | 3.0 | 204.0 |  |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 266 | 12,717 | 87 | 1,743 | 16,160 | 92 | 3.0 | 276.0 |  |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 229 | 26,879 | 785 | 22,008 | 74,759 | 118 | 4.0 | 472.0 |  |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 193 | 24,758 | 2,540 | 13,070 | 30,256 | 133 | 4.0 | 532.0 |  |
| 31 | 28-Ju1 | 46 | 10,022 | 2,750 | 17,545 | 11,005 | 97 | 3.0 | 291.0 |  |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 34 | 11,202 | 3,330 | 12,097 | 5,080 | 60 | 5.0 | 300.0 |  |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 58 | 4,350 | 4,952 | 6,595 | 5,139 | 67 | 5.0 | 335.0 |  |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 17 | 1,100 | 3,149 | 800 | 2,322 | 63 | 3.0 | 189.0 |  |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 3 | 417 | 5,393 | 20 | 1,311 | 41 | 2.0 | 82.0 |  |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 10 | 336 | 4,683 | 0 | 1,893 | 49 | 2.0 | 98.0 |  |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 6 | 182 | 19,326 | 0 | 4,853 | 49 | 2.0 | 98.0 |  |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 6 | 41 | 16,868 | 2 | 2,007 | 52 | 2.0 | 104.0 |  |
| 39 | 22-Sep | 7 | 15 | 26,153 | 0 | 948 | 67 | 2.0 | 134.0 |  |
| 40 | 29-Sep | 9 | 13 | 29,140 | 0 | 329 | 70 | 6.5 | 455.0 |  |
| 41 | 06-oct | 3 | 0 | 7,248 | 0 | 108 | 32 | 4.5 | 144.0 |  |
| Total |  | 3,217 | 109,877 | 126,436 | 74,183 | 161,175 | 1,202 | 57.0 | 4,146.0 |  |

Appendix C.2. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the Alaskan District 111 test fishery, 1991. Not all fish caught are sold, therefore, fishticket totals are incorrect.


Appendix C.3. Weekly stock proportions of sockeye salmon harvested in the Alaskan District lll commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Data based on scale pattern analysis (SPA).

| Week | Kuthai | Little Trapper | Mainstem | Little Tatsame | Total Taku | Crescent | Speel Total Snettisham |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 0.347 | 0.234 | 0.288 | 0.120 | 0.988 | 0.012 | 0.000 | 0.012 |
| 26 | 0.207 | 0.442 | 0.213 | 0.117 | 0.979 | 0.021 | 0.000 | 0.021 |
| 27 | 0.050 | 0.642 | 0.143 | 0.118 | 0.953 | 0.047 | 0.000 | 0.047 |
| 28 | 0.096 | 0.447 | 0.241 | 0.196 | 0.979 | 0.021 | 0.000 | 0.021 |
| 29 | 0.010 | 0.430 | 0.285 | 0.225 | 0.951 | 0.049 | 0.000 | 0.049 |
| 30 | 0.004 | 0.127 | 0.564 | 0.238 | 0.933 | 0.067 | 0.000 | 0.067 |
| 31 | 0.001 | 0.194 | 0.447 | 0.294 | 0.936 | 0.064 | 0.000 | 0.064 |
| 32 | 0.001 | 0.038 | 0.458 | 0.392 | 0.890 | 0.110 | 0.000 | 0.110 |
| 33 | 0.000 | 0.147 | 0.499 | 0.238 | 0.885 | 0.115 | 0.000 | 0.115 |
| 34 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| 35 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| 36 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| 37 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| 38 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| 39 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| 40 | 0.000 | 0.083 | 0.520 | 0.272 | 0.875 | 0.125 | 0.000 | 0.125 |
| Total | 0.039 | 0.297 | 0.373 | 0.232 | 0.941 | 0.059 | 0.000 | 0.059 |

Appendix C.4. Weekly stock-specific catch of Taku sockeye salmon harvested in the Alaskan District 111 commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1991. Data based on SPA.

| Week | Kuthai | Little Trapper | Mainstern | Little <br> Tatsame | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & \text { nie Taku } \end{aligned}$ | Crescent | Speel | Total Snettisham |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 1,023 | 691 | 850 | 354 | 2,918 | 34 | 0 | 34 |
| 26 | 1,186 | 2,528 | 1,221 | 667 | 5,602 | 118 | 0 | 118 |
| 27 | 460 | 5,893 | 1,311 | 1,082 | 8,746 | 427 | 0 | 427 |
| 28 | 1,218 | 5,679 | 3,062 | 2,495 | 12,454 | 263 | 0 | 263 |
| 29 | 281 | 11,561 | 7,672 | 6,048 | 25,562 | 1,317 | 0 | 1,317 |
| 30 | 106 | 3,139 | 13,961 | 5,884 | 23,090 | 1,668 | 0 | 1,668 |
| 31 | 10 | 1,947 | 4,482 | 2,943 | 9,382 | 1640 | 0 | 1,640 |
| 32 | 11 | 431 | 5,133 | 4,393 | 9,968 | 1,234 | 0 | 1,234 |
| 33 | 0 | 641 | 2,171 | 1,037 | 3,849 | 501 | 0 | 501 |
| 34 | 0 | 91 | 572 | 299 | 963 | 138 | 0 | 138 |
| 35 | 0 | 35 | 217 | 113 | 365 | 52 | 0 | 52 |
| 36 | 0 | 28 | 175 | 91 | 294 | 42 | 0 | 42 |
| 37 | 0 | 15 | 95 | 49 | 159 | 23 | 0 | 23 |
| 38 | 0 | 3 | 21 | 11 | 36 | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| 39 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| 40 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 4,295 | 32,685 | 40,957 | 25,475 | 103,412 | 6,465 | 0 | 6,465 |

Appendix C.5. Weekly salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the canadian commercial fishery in the Taku River, 1991.

|  |  |  |  |  | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effor |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Start | Chi | ook |  |  |  |  | Steel- | Average | Days | Permit |
| Week | Date | Jacks | Large | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | head | Permits | Open | Days |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 126 | 437 | 217 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 12.5 | 2.0 | 25.0 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 101 | 217 | 353 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8.5 | 2.0 | 17.0 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 99 | 263 | 1,261 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 13.0 | 2.0 | 26.0 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 78 | 198 | 3,758 | 5 | 120 | 0 | 0 | 11.7 | 3.0 | 35.0 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 18 | 41 | 6,707 | 49 | 86 | 0 | 0 | 13.0 | 3.0 | 39.0 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 6 | 14 | 2,965 | 418 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 14.0 | 2.0 | 28.0 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 4 | 3 | 5,548 | 979 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 11.3 | 4.0 | 45.0 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 4 | 3,205 | 825 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11.7 | 3.0 | 35.0 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 0 | 711 | 550 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 9.0 | 3.0 | 27.0 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 0 | 342 | 589 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1.0 | 7.0 |
| Total |  | 432 | 1,177 | 25,067 | 3,415 | 296 | 2 | 5 | 111.6 | 25.0 | 284.0 |

Appendix C.6. Weekly stock proportions of sockeye salmon harvested the canadian commercial fishery in the Taku River, 1991. Data based on SPA.

| Week | Kuthai | Little Trapper | Mainstem | L1ttle Tatsamenie |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 0.532 | 0.104 | 0.356 | 0.009 |
| 26 | 0.532 | 0.104 | 0.356 | 0.009 |
| 27 | 0.174 | 0.447 | 0.319 | 0.060 |
| 28 | 0.174 | 0.446 | 0.319 | 0.060 |
| 29 | 0.048 | 0.460 | 0.371 | 0.121 |
| 30 | 0.024 | 0.262 | 0.550 | 0.164 |
| 31 | 0.003 | 0.211 | 0.517 | 0.268 |
| 32 | 0.003 | 0.112 | 0.578 | 0.306 |
| 33 | 0.003 | 0.023 | 0.650 | 0.325 |
| 34 | 0.003 | 0.029 | 0.632 | 0.336 |
| Total | 0.064 | 0.308 | 0.452 | 0.176 |

Appendix C.7. Weekly stock-specific catch of sockeye salmon in the canadian commercial fishery in the Taku River, 1991. Data based on SPA.

| Week | Kuthai | Little Trapper | Mainstem | Little Tatsamenie |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 115 | 22 | 77 | 2 |
| 26 | 188 | 37 | 126 | 3 |
| 27 | 219 | 564 | 402 | 76 |
| 28 | 655 | 1,677 | 1,199 | 227 |
| 29 | 321 | 3,085 | 2,491 | 810 |
| 30 | 71 | 778 | 1,630 | 486 |
| 31 | 18 | 1,172 | 2,870 | 1.488 |
| 32 | 11 | 360 | 1,854 | 980 |
| 33 | 2 | 16 | 462 | 231 |
| 34 | 1 | 10 | 216 | 115 |
| Total | 1,601 | 7,721 | 11,327 | 4,418 |

Appendix C. $8 . \quad$ Weekly salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the canadian test fishery in the Taku River, 1991. The fishery began during statistical week 34 .


Appendix C.9. Weekly stock specific-catch of sockeye salmon in the canadian test fishery in the Taku River, 1991. Data based on SPA, weekly stock proportions assumed the same as the commercial catch


Appendix c.10. Mark-recapture estimate of above border run of sockeye and coho salmon in the Taku River, 1991.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Recovery } \\ & \text { Week } \end{aligned}$ | Start <br> Date | Above Border Run | Canadian Harvests |  |  | Above Borderb/ Escapement |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Commercial | Test | Food ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ |  |
| Sockeye |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 1,052 | 217 | 0 |  | 835 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 2,522 | 353 | 0 |  | 2,169 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 13,678 | 1,261 | 0 |  | 12,417 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 21,670 | 3,758 | 0 |  | 17,912 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 30,928 | 6,707 | 0 |  | 24,221 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 28,490 | 2,965 | 0 |  | 25,525 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 20,469 | 5,548 | 0 |  | 14,921 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 8,647 | 3,205 | 0 |  | 5,442 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 8,093 | 711 | 0 |  | 7,382 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 4,966 | 342 | 18 |  | 4,606 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 7,043 | 0 | 79 |  | 6,964 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 2,949 | 0 | 66 |  | 2,883 |
| Total |  | 150,507 | 25,067 | 163 | 150 | 125,127 |
| Coho |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28-29 | 07-Jul | 2,596 | 472 | 0 |  | 2,124 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 2,209 | 979 | 0 |  | 1,230 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 4,157 | 825 | 0 |  | 3,332 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 4,865 | 550 | 0 |  | 4,315 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 1,749 | 589 | 26 |  | 1,134 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 27,267 | 0 | 180 |  | 27,087 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 5,964 | 0 | 264 |  | 5,700 |
| 36-37 | 01-Sep | 21,892 | 0 | 592 |  | 21,300 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 11,255 | 0 | 173 |  | 11,082 |
| 39-42 | 22-Sep | 52,994 | 0 | 769 |  | 52,225 |
| Total |  | 134,949 | 3,415 | 2,004 | 20 | 129,510 |

[^5]Appendix C.11. Daily counts of salmon passing through Little Tatsamenie weir, 1991.

| Date | Jack Chinook Count | Large Chinook |  |  | Sockeye |  |  | Coho |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent |
| 30-Jul | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 31-Jul | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 01-Aug | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.2 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 02-Aug | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 03-Aug | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0.7 | 5 | 6 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 04-Aug | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1.0 | 6 | 12 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 05-Aug | 2 | 1 | 5 | 1.2 | 6 | 18 | 0.2 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 06-Aug | 3 | 2 | 7 | 1.7 | 3 | 21 | 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 07-Aug | 2 | 2 | 9 | 2.2 | 15 | 36 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 08-Aug | 4 | 39 | 48 | 11.7 | 73 | 109 | 1.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 09-Aug | 2 | 1 | 49 | 12.0 | 18 | 127 | 1.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 10-Aug | 11 | 61 | 110 | 26.8 | 284 | 411 | 4.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 11-Aug | 8 | 23 | 133 | 32.4 | 327 | 738 | 8.8 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 12-Auga/ | 0 | 3 | 136 | 33.2 | 221 | 959 | 11.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 13-Aug | 4 | 23 | 159 | 38.8 | 169 | 1,128 | 13.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 14-Aug | 7 | 48 | 207 | 50.5 | 131 | 1,259 | 15.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 15-Aug | 1 | 38 | 245 | 59.8 | 201 | 1,460 | 17.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 16-Aug | 1 | 17 | 262 | 63.9 | 174 | 1,634 | 19.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 17-Aug | 0 | 3 | 265 | 64.6 | 52 | 1,686 | 20.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 18-Aug | 3 | 39 | 304 | 74.1 | 74 | 1,760 | 21.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 19-Aug | 1 | 31 | 335 | 81.7 | 69 | 1,829 | 21.8 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 20-Aug | 1 | 21 | 356 | 86.8 | 6 | 1,835 | 21.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 21-Aug | 0 | 3 | 359 | 87.6 | 0 | 1,835 | 21.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 22-Aug | 0 | 2 | 361 | 88.0 | 1 | 1,836 | 21.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 23-Aug | 1 | 14 | 375 | 91.5 | 7 | 1,843 | 22.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 24-Aug | 1 | 21 | 396 | 96.6 | 25 | 1,868 | 22.3 | 4 | 4 | 0.5 |
| 25-Aug | 1 | 2 | 398 | 97.1 | 120 | 1,988 | 23.7 | 1 | 5 | 0.7 |
| 26-Aug | 0 | 2 | 400 | 97.6 | 129 | 2,117 | 25.3 | 0 | 5 | 0.7 |
| 27-Aug | 2 | 4 | 404 | 98.5 | 316 | 2,433 | 29.0 | 0 | 5 | 0.7 |
| 28-Aug | 0 | 0 | 404 | 98.5 | 363 | 2,796 | 33.4 | 0 | 5 | 0.7 |
| 29-Aug | 0 | 0 | 404 | 98.5 | 319 | 3,115 | 37.2 | 1 | 6 | 0.8 |
| 30-Aug | 0 | 0 | 404 | 98.5 | 384 | 3,499 | 41.7 | 3 | 9 | 1.2 |
| 31-Aug | 0 | 0 | 404 | 98.5 | 552 | 4,051 | 48.3 | 0 | 9 | 1.2 |
| 01-Sep | 1 | 1 | 405 | 98.8 | 574 | 4,625 | 55.2 | 0 | 9 | 1.2 |
| 02-Sep | 0 | 3 | 408 | 99.5 | 510 | 5,135 | 61.3 | 1 | 10 | 1.3 |
| 03-Sep | 0 | 0 | 408 | 99.5 | 451 | 5,586 | 66.7 | 0 | 10 | 1.3 |
| 04-Sep | 0 | 0 | 408 | 99.5 | 432 | 6,018 | 71.8 | 0 | 10 | 1.3 |
| 05-Sep | 0 | 0 | 408 | 99.5 | 406 | 6,424 | 76.6 | 2 | 12 | 1.6 |
| 06-Sep | 0 | 2 | 410 | 100.0 | 254 | 6,678 | 79.7 | 4 | 16 | 2.1 |
| 07-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 233 | 6,911 | 82.5 | 5 | 21 | 2.8 |
| 08-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 182 | 7,093 | 84.6 | 4 | 25 | 3.3 |
| 09-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 110 | 7,203 | 85.9 | 0 | 25 | 3.3 |
| 10-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 88 | 7,291 | 87.0 | 5 | 30 | 3.9 |
| 11-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 59 | 7,350 | 87.7 | 1 | 31 | 4.1 |
| 12-sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 65 | 7,415 | 88.5 | 2 | 33 | 4.3 |
| 13-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 138 | 7,553 | 90.1 | 6 | 39 | 5.1 |
| 14-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 49 | 7,602 | 90.7 | 1 | 40 | 5.3 |
| 15-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 78 | 7,680 | 91.6 | 2 | 42 | 5.5 |
| 16-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 31 | 7,711 | 92.0 | 2 | 44 | 5.8 |
| 17-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 89 | 7,800 | 93.1 | 0 | 44 | 5.8 |
| 18-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 87 | 7,887 | 94.1 | 4 | 48 | 6.3 |
| 19-sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 97 | 7,984 | 95.3 | 10 | 58 | 7.6 |
| 20-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 127 | 8,111 | 96.8 | 14 | 72 | 9.5 |
| 21-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 18 | 8,129 | 97.0 | 0 | 72 | 9.5 |
| 22-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 39 | 8,168 | 97.5 | 2 | 74 | 9.7 |
| 23-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 24 | 8,192 | 97.7 | 6 | 80 | 10.5 |
| 24-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 25 | 8,217 | 98.0 | 5 | 85 | 11.2 |
| 25-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 12 | 8,229 | 98.2 | 22 | 107 | 14.1 |
| 26-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 3 | 8,232 | 98.2 | 9 | 116 | 15.2 |
| 27-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 3 | 8,235 | 98.3 | 23 | 139 | 18.3 |
| 28-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 5 | 8,240 | 98.3 | 5 | 144 | 18.9 |
| 29-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 6 | 8,246 | 98.4 | 4 | 148 | 19.4 |
| 30-Sep | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 9 | 8,255 | 98.5 | 6 | 154 | 20.2 |
| 01-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 5 | 8,260 | 98.6 | 11 | 165 | 21.7 |
| 02-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 3 | 8,263 | 98.6 | 9 | 174 | 22.9 |
| 03-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 8 | 8,271 | 98.7 | 7 | 181 | 23.8 |
| 04-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 9 | 8,280 | 98.8 | 5 | 186 | 24.4 |
| 05-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 4 | 8,284 | 98.8 | 2 | 188 | 24.7 |
| 06-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 10 | 8,294 | 99.0 | 17 | 205 | 26.9 |
| 07-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 8 | 8,302 | 99.1 | 10 | 215 | 28.3 |
| 08-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 9 | 8,311 | 99.2 | 1 | 216 | 28.4 |
| 09-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 12 | 8,323 | 99.3 | 61 | 277 | 36.4 |
| 10-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 16 | 8,339 | 99.5 | 141 | 418 | 54.9 |
| 11-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 9 | 8,348 | 99.6 | 40 | 458 | 60.2 |
| 12-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 7 | 8,355 | 99.7 | 88 | 546 | 71.7 |
| 13-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 9 | 8,364 | 99.8 | 18 | 564 | 74.1 |
| 14-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 5 | 8,369 | 99.9 | 45 | 609 | 80.0 |
| 15-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 3 | 8,372 | 99.9 | 29 | 638 | 83.8 |
| 16 -Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 7 | 8,379 | 100.0 | 6 | 644 | 84.6 |
| 17-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 1 | 8,380 | 100.0 | 23 | 667 | 87.6 |
| 18-oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 1 | 8,381 | 100.0 | 25 | 692 | 90.9 |
| 19-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 0 | 8,381 | 100.0 | 63 | 755 | 99.2 |
| 20-Oct | 0 | 0 | 410 | 100.0 | 0 | 8,381 | 100.0 | 6 | 761 | 100.0 |
| Counts | 60 | 410 |  |  | 8,381 |  |  | 761 |  |  |
| Adjustments |  | $24^{\text {b/ }}$ |  |  | -796 ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ |  |  | $340^{\text {d/ }}$ |  |  |
| Spawners | 60 | 434 |  |  | 7,585 |  |  | 1,101 |  |  |

a/ The sockeye count on August 12 includes an estimated 150 fish which escaped uncounted.
b/ Adjustments include 24 fish which were unsexed and may have been jacks.
d/ Adjustments include 357 females and 357 males retained for brood stock and 44 female and 38 male holding mortalities. An estimated 75 coho escaped uncounted through the weir on $13-15$ october, and 265 coho were holding below the weir when it was dismantled.

Appendix C.12. Daily counts of salmon passing through Little Trapper Lake weir, 1991.


Appendix C .13 . Daily counts of salmon passing through Nakina River weir, 1991. These counts represent only a portion of the run above the Nakina River weir because the weir is installed after an unknown portion of the escapement has already passed.

| Date | Jack Chinook Count | Large Chinooka/ |  |  | Sockeye |  |  | Pink |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent |
| 03-Aug |  | 21 | 21 | 13.5 | 3 | 3 | 0.6 | 56 | 56 | 7.3 |
| 04-Aug |  | 14 | 35 | 22.4 | 0 | 3 | 0.6 | 5 | 61 | 8.0 |
| 05-Aug |  | 27 | 62 | 39.7 | 0 | 3 | 0.6 | 12 | 73 | 9.6 |
| 06-Aug |  | 7 | 69 | 44.2 | 0 | 3 | 0.6 | 11 | 84 | 11.0 |
| 07-Aug |  | 1 | 70 | 44.9 | 0 | 3 | 0.6 | 1 | 85 | 11.1 |
| 08-Aug |  | 47 | 117 | 75.0 | 7 | 10 | 1.9 | 328 | 413 | 54.1 |
| 09-Aug |  | 0 | 117 | 75.0 | 0 | 10 | 1.9 | 0 | 413 | 54.1 |
| 10-Aug |  | 9 | 126 | 80.8 | 3 | 13 | 2.5 | 82 | 495 | 64.8 |
| 11-Aug |  | 0 | 126 | 80.8 | 0 | 13 | 2.5 | 0 | 495 | 64.8 |
| 12-Aug |  | 1 | 127 | 81.4 | 3 | 16 | 3.1 | 31 | 526 | 68.8 |
| 13-Aug |  | 0 | 127 | 81.4 | 0 | 16 | 3.1 | 0 | 526 | 68.8 |
| 14-Aug |  | 15 | 142 | 91.0 | 25 | 41 | 7.9 | 57 | 583 | 76.3 |
| 15-Aug |  | 4 | 146 | 93.6 | 26 | 67 | 12.9 | 62 | 645 | 84.4 |
| 16-Aug |  | 3 | 149 | 95.5 | 12 | 79 | 15.2 | 27 | 672 | 88.0 |
| 17-Aug |  | 3 | 152 | 97.4 | 28 | 107 | 20.6 | 44 | 716 | 93.7 |
| 18-Aug |  | 1 | 153 | 98.1 | 20 | 127 | 24.4 | 22 | 738 | 96.6 |
| 19-Aug |  | 1 | 154 | 98.7 | 10 | 137 | 26.3 | 14 | 752 | 98.4 |
| 20-Aug |  | 1 | 155 | 99.4 | 59 | 196 | 37.7 | 12 | 764 | 100.0 |
| 21-Aug |  | 1 | 156 | 100.0 | 8 | 204 | 39.2 | 0 | 764 | 100.0 |
| 22-Aug |  | 0 | 156 | 100.0 | 81 | 285 | 54.8 | 0 | 764 | 100.0 |
| 23-Aug |  | 0 | 156 | 100.0 | 57 | 342 | 65.8 | 0 | 764 | 100.0 |
| 24-Aug |  | 0 | 156 | 100.0 | 107 | 449 | 86.3 | 0 | 764 | 100.0 |
| 25-Aug |  | 0 | 156 | 100.0 | 47 | 496 | 95.4 | 0 | 764 | 100.0 |
| 26-Aug |  | 0 | 156 | 100.0 | 24 | 520 | 100.0 | 0 | 764 | 100.0 |
| otals |  | 156 |  |  | 520 |  |  | 764 |  |  |

[^6]Appendix c.14. Daily counts of salmon passing through Speel Lake weir, 1991.


Appendix C.15. Daily counts of salmon passing through Crescent Lake weir, 1991. The actual escapements are higher due to fish passage during times water was over the top of the weir. The sockeye escapement was estimated by a mark-recapture study.

|  | Sockeye |  |  | Coho |  |  | Chum |  |  | P1nk |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent | Count | Cum. | Percent |
| 09-Jul | Weir In | lled |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-Jul | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 11-Jul | 2 | 2 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 12-Jul | 3 | 5 | 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 13-Jul | 2 | 7 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 14-Jul | 4 | 11 | 0.6 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 15-Jul | 14 | 25 | 1.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 16-Jul | 22 | 47 | 2.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 17-Jul | 27 | 74 | 4.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 18-Jul | 17 | 91 | 4.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 19-Jul | 42 | 133 | 7.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 0.3 | 0 | 1 | 0.0 |
| 20-Jul | 90 | 223 | 11.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 3 | 0.9 | 4 | 5 | 0.2 |
| 21-Jul | 49 | 272 | 14.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 4 | 1.3 | 1 | 6 | 0.2 |
| 22-Jul | 58 | 330 | 17.6 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 5 | 1.6 | 2 | 8 | 0.3 |
| 23-Jul | 28 | 358 | 19.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 6 | 1.9 | 3 | 11 | 0.4 |
| 24-Jul | 18 | 376 | 20.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 6 | 1.9 | 5 | 16 | 0.6 |
| 25-Jul | 123 | 499 | 26.7 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 7 | 2.2 | 7 | 23 | 0.8 |
| 26-Jul | 146 | 645 | 34.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 9 | 2.8 | 11 | 34 | 1.2 |
| 27-Jul | 74 | 719 | 38.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 14 | 4.4 | 8 | 42 | 1.5 |
| 28-Jul | 42 | 761 | 40.7 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 19 | 6.0 | 3 | 45 | 1.6 |
| 29-Jul | 41 | 802 | 42.9 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 22 | 6.9 | 16 | 61 | 2.1 |
| 30-Jul | 30 | 832 | 44.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 25 | 7.8 | 9 | 70 | 2.4 |
| 31-Jul | 37 | 869 | 46.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 27 | 8.5 | 18 | 88 | 3.1 |
| 01-Aug | 18 | 887 | 47.4 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 30 | 9.4 | 9 | 97 | 3.4 |
| 02-Aug | 92 | 979 | 52.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 6 | 36 | 11.3 | 22 | 119 | 4.2 |
| 03-Aug | 37 | 1,016 | 54.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 38 | 11.9 | 7 | 126 | 4.4 |
| 04-Aug | 14 | 1,030 | 55.1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 41 | 12.9 | 7 | 133 | 4.6 |
| 05-Aug | 61 | 1,091 | 58.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 4 | 45 | 14.1 | 23 | 156 | 5.4 |
| 06-Aug | 36 | 1,127 | 60.2 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 45 | 14.1 | 11 | 167 | 5.8 |
| 07-Aug | 30 | 1,157 | 61.8 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 46 | 14.4 | 22 | 189 | 6.6 |
| 08-Aug | 74 | 1,231 | 65.8 | 1 | 1 | 3.6 | 3 | 49 | 15.4 | 48 | 237 | 8.3 |
| 09-Aug | 94 | 1,325 | 70.8 | 0 | 1 | 3.6 | 3 | 52 | 16.3 | 61 | 298 | 10.4 |
| 10-Aug | 107 | 1,432 | 76.5 | 1 | 2 | 7.1 | 4 | 56 | 17.6 | 24 | 322 | 11.2 |
| 11-Aug | 43 | 1,475 | 78.8 | 0 | 2 | 7.1 | 2 | 58 | 18.2 | 29 | 351 | 12.3 |
| 12-Aug | 100 | 1,575 | 84.2 | 0 | 2 | 7.1 | 7 | 65 | 20.4 | 65 | 416 | 14.5 |
| 13-Aug | 53 | 1,628 | 87.0 | 0 | 2 | 7.1 | 7 | 72 | 22.6 | 96 | 512 | 17.9 |
| 14-Aug | 27 | 1,655 | 88.5 | 0 | 2 | 7.1 | 8 | 80 | 25.1 | 142 | 654 | 22.8 |
| 15-Aug | 10 | 1,665 | 89.0 | 0 | 2 | 7.1 | 4 | 84 | 26.3 | 105 | 759 | 26.5 |
| 16-Aug | 24 | 1,689 | 90.3 | 2 | 4 | 14.3 | 12 | 96 | 30.1 | 173 | 932 | 32.5 |
| 17-Aug | 18 | 1,707 | 91.2 | 0 | 4 | 14.3 | 17 | 113 | 35.4 | 225 | 1,157 | 40.4 |
| 18-Aug | 2 | 1,709 | 91.3 | 0 | 4 | 14.3 | 17 | 130 | 40.8 | 144 | 1,301 | 45.4 |
| 19-Aug | 0 | 1,709 | 91.3 | 0 | 4 | 14.3 | 7 | 137 | 42.9 | 49 | 1,350 | 47.1 |
| 20-Aug | 0 | 1,709 | 91.3 | 0 | 4 | 14.3 | 0 | 137 | 42.9 | 0 | 1,350 | 47.1 |
| 21-Aug | 0 | 1,709 | 91.3 | 1 | 5 | 17.9 | 7 | 144 | 45.1 | 77 | 1,427 | 49.8 |
| 22-Aug | 22 | 1,731 | 92.5 | 3 | 8 | 28.6 | 16 | 160 | 50.2 | 330 | 1,757 | 61.3 |
| 23-Aug | 36 | 1,767 | 94.4 | 7 | 15 | 53.6 | 20 | 180 | 56.4 | 381 | 2,138 | 74.7 |
| 24-Aug | 36 | 1,803 | 96.4 | 2 | 17 | 60.7 | 41 | 221 | 69.3 | 204 | 2,342 | 81.8 |
| 25-Aug | 22 | 1,825 | 97.5 | 2 | 19 | 67.9 | 32 | 253 | 79.3 | 274 | 2,616 | 91.3 |
| 26-Aug | 46 | 1,871 | 100.0 | 9 | 28 | 100.0 | 66 | 319 | 100.0 | 248 | 2,864 | 100.0 |
| Counts | 1,871 |  |  | 28 |  |  | 319 |  |  | , 864 |  |  |

Mark-recapture estimate 9,208

Appendix D.1. Salmon catches and effort in the Alaskan District 111 commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1964-1991. Days open are for the entire district and include openings to harvest spawner chinook salmon 1964-1975.

| Year | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Boat Days | Days Open |
| 1964 | 2,509 | 34,140 | 29,315 | 26,593 | 12,853 | 1,752 | 56.00 |
| 1965 | 4,170 | 27,569 | 32,667 | 2,768 | 11,533 | 1,461 | 63.00 |
| 1966 | 4,829 | 33,925 | 26,065 | 23,833 | 35,133 | 1,708 | 64.00 |
| 1967 | 5,417 | 17,735 | 40,391 | 12,372 | 22,834 | 1,792 | 53.00 |
| 1968 | 4,904 | 19,501 | 39,103 | 67,365 | 21,890 | 2,686 | 60.00 |
| 1969 | 6,986 | 41,169 | 10,802 | 73,927 | 15,049 | 1,552 | 41.50 |
| 1970 | 3,357 | 50,922 | 44,960 | 197,017 | 110,390 | 2,578 | 53.00 |
| 1971 | 6,958 | 66,181 | 41,830 | 31,484 | 91,145 | 2,736 | 55.00 |
| 1972 | 10,955 | 80,404 | 49,780 | 144,339 | 147,957 | 2,925 | 50.00 |
| 1973 | 9,799 | 85,317 | 35,453 | 58,186 | 109,245 | 3,051 | 38.00 |
| 1974 | 2,905 | 38,676 | 38,661 | 57,732 | 86,687 | 2,227 | 27.50 |
| 1975 | 2,182 | 32,513 | 1,185 | 9,567 | 2,678 | 1,106 | 15.50 |
| 1976 | 1,757 | 61,749 | 41,729 | 14,962 | 81, 803 | 1,939 | 25.00 |
| 1977 | 1,068 | 70,097 | 54,917 | 88,578 | 61,102 | 2,284 | 27.00 |
| 1978 | 1,926 | 55,398 | 31,944 | 51,385 | 36,254 | 2,178 | 24.00 |
| 1979 | 3,702 | 122,376 | 16,192 | 152,410 | 61, 200 | 2,324 | 28.83 |
| 1980 | 2,422 | 123,117 | 41,515 | 295,553 | 192,750 | 4,113 | 30.92 |
| 1981 | 1,720 | 49,765 | 26,803 | 255,029 | 76,092 | 2,660 | 30.00 |
| 1982 | 3,057 | 83,479 | 29,072 | 109,385 | 37,310 | 2,478 | 35.50 |
| 1983 | 888 | 31,627 | 21,443 | 66,080 | 15,188 | 1,274 | 34.00 |
| 1984 | 1,773 | 77,233 | 33,836 | 145,949 | 86,741 | 2,725 | 66.50 |
| 1985 | 2,651 | 88,192 | 55,597 | 311,248 | 106,720 | 3,102 | 48.00 |
| 1986 | 2,606 | 73,061 | 30,512 | 16,568 | 58,792 | 2,035 | 32.50 |
| 1987 | 2,105 | 74,457 | 35,173 | 355,725 | 121,862 | 2,588 | 35.75 |
| 1988 | 1,778 | 39,168 | 45,179 | 157,424 | 139,704 | 2,003 | 31.00 |
| 1989 | 1,811 | 74,019 | 51,812 | 180,597 | 36,977 | 2,333 | 41.00 |
| 1990 | 3,480 | 126,884 | 67,310 | 153,036 | 145,530 | 3,255 | 39.40 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 64-90 | 3,619 | 62,173 | 36,046 | 113,300 | 71,312 | 2,328 | 40.96 |
| 81-90 | 2,187 | 71,789 | 39,674 | 175,104 | 82,492 | 2,445 | 39.37 |
| 1991 | 3,217 | 109,877 | 126,436 | 74,183 | 161,175 | 4,146 | 57.00 |

Appendix D.2. Stock proportions and catches of sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District lll commercial drift gillnet fishery, 1983-1991. Data based on SPA.

| Year | Kuthai | Little Trapper | Mainstem | Little Tatsamenie | Total Taku | Crescent | Speel | Total Snettisham |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Proportions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1983 |  |  |  |  | 0.755 |  |  | 0.245 |
| 1984 |  |  |  |  | 0.758 |  |  | 0.242 |
| 1985 |  |  |  |  | 0.838 |  |  | 0.162 |
| 1986 | 0.061 | 0.266 | 0.303 | 0.204 | 0.834 | 0.090 | 0.076 | 0.166 |
| 1987 | 0.078 | 0.234 | 0.376 | 0.031 | 0.720 | 0.157 | 0.123 | 0.280 |
| 1988 | 0.118 | 0.158 | 0.305 | 0.082 | 0.663 | 0.266 | 0.071 | 0.337 |
| $1989{ }^{\text {a/ }}$ | 0.077 | 0.616 |  | 0.156 | 0.848 | 0.051 | 0.100 | 0.152 |
| 1990 | 0.036 | 0.197 | 0.336 | 0.286 | 0.855 | 0.112 | 0.033 | 0.145 |
| Averages ${ }^{\text {/ }}$ | 0.073 | 0.214 | 0.330 | 0.151 | 0.784 | 0.157 | 0.076 | 0.216 |
| 1991 | 0.039 | 0.297 | 0.373 | 0.232 | 0.941 | 0.059 | 0.000 | 0.059 |
| Cat ches |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1983 |  |  |  |  | 23,878 |  |  | 7,749 |
| 1984 |  |  |  |  | 58,543 |  |  | 18,690 |
| 1985 |  |  |  |  | 73,905 |  |  | 14,287 |
| 1986 | 4,489 | 19,441 | 22,104 | 14,900 | 60,934 | 6,610 | 5,516 | 12,127 |
| 1987 | 5,834 | 17,418 | 28,002 | 2,328 | 53,581 | 11,695 | 9,181 | 20,876 |
| 1988 | 4,627 | 6,192 | 11,940 | 3,214 | 25,973 | 10,430 | 2,765 | 13,195 |
| $1989^{\text {a/ }}$ | 5,696 | 45,573 |  | 11,536 | 62,805 | 3,789 | 7,425 | 11,214 |
| 1990 | 4,539 | 24,952 | 42,676 | 36,332 | 108,499 | 14,242 | 4,143 | 18,385 |
| Averagesb/ | 4,872 | 17,001 | 26,180 | 14,194 | 58,515 | 10,744 | 5,401 | 14,565 |
| 1991 | 4,295 | 32,685 | 40,957 | 25,475 | 103,412 | 6,465 | 0 | 6,465 |

[^7]Appendix D.3. Proportion of Taku River sockeye salmon in the Alaskan District 111 commercial drift gill net catch, 1983-1991. Data based on SPA.

| Week | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 |  | 0.970 | 0.999 | 0.938 |  |  | 0.943 | 0.874 | 0.988 |
| 26 | 0.996 | 0.956 | 0.986 | 0.953 | 0.982 | 0.964 | 0.989 | 0.935 | 0.979 |
| 27 | 0.842 | 0.843 | 0.928 | 0.873 | 0.901 | 0.886 | 0.979 | 0.904 | 0.953 |
| 28 | 0.819 | 0.670 | 0.974 | 0.880 | 0.884 | 0.889 | 0.852 | 0.773 | 0.979 |
| 29 | 0.663 | 0.588 | 0.868 | 0.852 | 0.948 | 0.510 | 0.835 | 0.782 | 0.951 |
| 30 | 0.527 | 0.712 | 0.706 | 0.777 | 0.414 | 0.643 | 0.641 | 0.863 | 0.933 |
| 31 | 0.836 | 0.728 | 0.737 | 0.851 | 0.619 | 0.677 | 0.681 | 0.943 | 0.936 |
| 32 | 0.534 | 0.809 | 0.826 | 0.757 | 0.689 | 0.528 | 0.919 | 0.939 | 0.890 |
| 33 | 0.719 | 0.726 | 0.801 | 0.893 | 0.841 | 0.478 | 0.676 | 0.878 | 0.885 |
| 34 | 0.759 |  |  | 0.739 | 0.731 | 0.346 |  | 0.862 | 0.875 |
| Total | 0.755 | 0.758 | 0.838 | 0.834 | 0.718 | 0.663 | 0.848 | 0.855 | 0.941 |

Appendix D.4. Salmon catch in the U.S. subsistence and personal use fisheries in the Taku River (1967-1991). The subsistence fishery was open 1967 to 1976 and 1985 and the personal use fishery was open 1989 to 1991.

|  |  | Catch |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum |
| 1967 | 0 | 103 | 221 | 9 | 25 |
| 1968 | 3 | 41 | 196 | 19 | 10 |
| 1969 | 0 | 122 | 8 | 11 | 0 |
| 1970 | 0 | 304 | 0 | 20 | 8 |
| 1971 | 0 | 512 | 0 | 42 | 0 |
| 1972 | 0 | 554 | 0 | 103 | 7 |
| 1973 | 0 | 1,227 | 0 | 64 | 14 |
| 1974 | 0 | 1,431 | 0 | 118 | 5 |
| 1975 | 0 | 170 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 1976 | 0 | 351 | 4 | 22 | 0 |
| 1985 | 0 | 924 | 35 | 19 | 1 |
| 1989 | 33 | 749 | 73 | 765 | 25 |
| 1990 | 52 | 1,560 | 206 | 130 | 92 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |
| A11 | 7 | -619 | 57 | 102 | 14 |
| 85-90 | 28 | 1,078 | 105 | 305 | 39 |
| 1991 | 47 | 1,475 | 120 | 188 | 4 |

Appendix D.5. $\quad$ Salmon and steelhead trout catch and effort in the Canadian commercial fishery in the Taku River, 1979-1991.

| Year | Catch |  |  |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Chi |  |  |  |  |  |  | Boat | Days |
|  | Jacks | Large | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Steelhead | Days | Open |
| 1979 |  | 97 | 13,578 | 6,006 | 13,661 | 15,474 | 254 | 599.0 | 50.00 |
| 1980 |  | 225 | 22,602 | 6,405 | 26,821 | 18,516 | 457 | 479.0 | 39.00 |
| 1981 |  | 159 | 10,922 | 3,607 | 10,771 | 5,591 | 108 | 243.0 | 31.25 |
| 1982 |  | 54 | 3,144 | 51 | 202 | 3 | 1 | 38.0 | 13.00 |
| 1983 | 400 | 156 | 17,056 | 8,390 | 1,874 | 1,760 | 213 | 390.0 | 64.00 |
| 1984 | 221 | 294 | 27,242 | 5,357 | 6,964 | 2,492 | 367 | 288.0 | 30.00 |
| 1985 | 24 | 326 | 14,244 | 1,770 | 3,373 | 136 | 32 | 178.0 | 16.00 |
| 1986 | 77 | 275 | 14,739 | 1,783 | 58 | 110 | 48 | 148.0 | 17.00 |
| 1987 | 106 | 127 | 13,554 | 5,599 | 6,250 | 2,270 | 223 | 281.0 | 26.00 |
| 1988 | 186 | 555 | 12,014 | 3,123 | 1,030 | 733 | 86 | 185.4 | 14.70 |
| 1989 | 139 | 895 | 18,545 | 2,876 | 695 | 42 | 24 | 270.6 | 25.30 |
| 1990 | 128 | 1,258 | 21,100 | 3,207 | 378 | 12 | 22 | 295.2 | 28.30 |
| Averages ${ }^{\text {/ }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 79-90 |  | 475 | 15,728 | 4,015 | 6,006 | 3,928 | 153 | 282.9 | 29.55 |
| 81-90 |  | 538 | 15,256 | 3,576 | 3,160 | 1,315 | 112 | 231.7 | 26.56 |
| 1991 | 432 | 1,177 | 25,067 | 3,415 | 296 | 2 | 5 | 284.0 | 25.00 |

a/ Chinook averages are for large fish and jacks combined.

Appendix D.6. Sockeye salmon stock proportions and catch by stock in the canadian commercial fishery on the Taku River, 1986-1991. Data based on SPA.


[^8]Appendix D.7. Salmon and steelhead trout catch in the Canadian test fishery in the Taku River, 1987-1991.

| Catch |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Chinook | Sockeye | coho | Pink | Chum | Steelhead |
| 1987 |  | 237 | 807 |  |  |  |
| 1988 | 72 | 708 | 422 | 52 | 222 | 14 |
| 1989 | 31 | 207 | 1,011 | 0 | 13 | 26 |
| 1990 | 48 | 285 | 472 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Averages } \\ 87-90 \end{array}$ | 50 | 359 | 678 | 17 | 78 | 20 |
| 1991a/ | 0 | 163 | 2,004 | 3 | 295 | 41 |

a/ Test fishery was run only during weeks 34 through 43.

Appendix D.8. Sockeye salmon escapement estimates of Taku River and Port Snettisham stocks, $1983-1991$.

|  | Taku Above Bordera/ |  | Little Trapper Escape. Spawners | Little Tatsamenie |  | Hackett <br> Weir | Crescent |  | Speel |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Run | Escapement |  | Escape. | Spawners |  | Escape. | Spawners | Escape. | Spawners |
| 1983 |  |  | 7,402b/ |  |  |  | 19,422 |  | 10,484 |  |
| 1984 | 133,414 | 106,172 | 13,084 |  |  |  | 6,707 |  | 9,764 |  |
| 1985 | 118,160 | 103,916 | 14,889 ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ | 13,093 |  | 2,309 | 7,249 |  | 7,073 |  |
| 1986 | 105,109 | 90,370 | 13,820 | 11,446 |  | 1,004 | 3,414 |  | 5,857 | 5,449 |
| 1987 | 87,130 | 73,339 | 12,007 ${ }^{\text {// }}$ | 2,794 |  | 910 | 7,839 |  | 9,319 | 9,319 |
| 1988 | 87,028 | 74,061 | 10,637 | 2,063 |  | 516 | 1,1990/ |  | 969 | 710 |
| 1989 | 114,068 | 95,263 | 9,606 | 3,039 |  |  | 1,109 ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ | 775 | 12,229 | 10,114 |
| 1990 | 114,254 | 92,869 | 9,443 | 5,736 |  |  | 1,262 ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ | 757 | 18,064 ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ | 16,867 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 83-90 | 108,452 | 90,856 | 11,361 | 6,362 |  | 1,185 | 6,025 |  | 9,220 |  |
| 86-90 | 101,518 | 85,180 | 11,103 | 5,016 |  |  | 2,965 |  | 9,288 |  |
| 1991 | 150,507 | 125,127 | 22,942 21,001 | 8,381 | 7,585 |  | 9,208d/ | 8,666 | 299 | 299 |

a/ Mark-recapture estimates.
b/ Weir count plus spawning ground survey.
c/ Count may be low due to uncounted fish passage past weir.
d/ Mark-recapture estimate, weir count was 1,871 sockeye salmon.

Appendix D.9. Aerial survey index escapement counts of large (3-ocean and older) Taku River chinook salmon and estimated escapements of large chinook salmon to the entire Taku drainage, 1975-1991.

| Year | Kowatua | Tatsatua | Dudidontu | Tseta | Nakina | Nahlin | Total <br> Index Count |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1975 |  |  | 15 |  | 1,800 | 274 | 2,089 |
| 1976 | 341 | 620 | 40 |  | 3,000 | 725 | 4,726 |
| 1977 | 580 | 573 | 18 |  | 3,850 | 650 | 5,671 |
| 1978 | 490 | 550 | 0 | 21 | 1,620 | 624 | 3,305 |
| 1979 | 430 | 750 | 9 |  | 2,110 | 857 | 4,156 |
| 1980 | 450 | 905 | 158 |  | 4,500 | 1,531 | 7,544 |
| 1981 | 560 | 839 | 74 | 258 | 5,110 | 2,945 | 9,786 |
| 1982 | 289 | 387 | 130 | 228 | 2,533 | 1,246 | 4,813 |
| 1983 | 171 | 236 | 117 | 179 | 968 | 391 | 2,062 |
| 1984 | 279 | 616 |  | $176^{\text {a/ }}$ | 1,887 | $951^{\text {b/ }}$ | 3,909 |
| 1985 | 699 | 848 | 475 | 303 | 2,647 | 2,236 | 7,208 |
| 1986 | 548 | 886 | 413 | 193 | 3,868 | 1,612 | 7,520 |
| 1987 | 570 | 678 | 287 | 180 | 2,906 | 1,122 | 5,743 |
| 1988 | 1,010 | 1,272 | 243 | 66 | 4,500 | 1,535 | 8,626 |
| 1989 | 601 | 1,228 | 204 | 494 | 5,141 | 1,812 | 9,480 |
| 1990 | 614 | 1,068 | 820 | 172 | 7,917 | 1,658 | 12,249 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 75-90 | 509 | 764 | 200 | 206 | 3,397 | 1,261 | 6,180 |
| 85-90 | 674 | 997 | 407 | 235 | 4,497 | 1,663 | 8,471 |
| 1991 | 570 | 1,164 | 804 | 224 | 5,610 | 1,781 | 10,153 |

[^9]Appendix D.10. Taku River (above border) coho salmon run size, 1987-1991.


Appendix D.11. Escapement counts of Taku River coho salmon, 1984-1991. Counts are for age-. 1 fish and do not include jacks.

| Year | ```Yehring Creek Weir``` | Yehring Creek <br> (Aerial) | Sockeye Creek (Aerial) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Johnson } \\ & \text { Creek } \\ & \text { (Ar/Foot) } \end{aligned}$ | Fish Creek (Aerial) | Flannigan Slough (Aerial) | Tatsamenie <br> River <br> Weir | Hackett <br> River <br> Weir | Dudidontu River (Aerial) | Upper Nah1in River (Aerial) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1984 |  | 2,900 | 275 | 235 | 700 | 1,480 |  |  |  |  |
| 1985 |  | 560 | 740 | 150 | 1,000 | 2,320 | 201 ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ | 1,031 |  |  |
| 1986 | 2,116 | 1,200 ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ | 183 | 70 | 65 | 1,095 | $344{ }^{\text {b/ }}$ | 2,723 | 108 | 318 |
| 1987 | 1,627 | $590^{\text {a/ }}$ | 1,040 | 150 | 250 | 2,100 | $173^{\text {b/ }}$ | 1,715 | 276 | 165 |
| 1988 | 1,423 | 685 | 660 | 500 | 1,280 | 1,241 ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ | $663^{\text {a/ }}$ | 1,260 | 367 | $694^{\text {d/ }}$ |
| 1989 | 1,570 | $600^{\text {e/ }}$ | - 400 | 400 | 1760 | 1,464 | $712^{\text {a/ }}$ | ${ }_{\text {f/ }}$ | 115 | 322 |
| 1990 | 2,522 | $220{ }^{\text {e/ }}$ | 230 | 0 | 250 | $414^{\text {c/ }}$ | $669^{\text {a/ }}$ |  | 25 | 256 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 84-90 | 1,852 | 965 | 504 | 215 | 615 | 1,445 | 460 |  | 178 | 351 |
| 87-90 | 1,786 | 524 | 583 | 263 | 635 | 1,305 | 554 |  | 196 | 359 |
| 1991 |  | 500 | 360 | 120 | 460 | 1,370 | 1,101 |  | 458 | $1769 /$ |

a/ Weir count combined with spawning ground count.
b/ Incomplete count.
d/ Count is an average of surveys by different observers.
d/ Weir count of 1,322 .
Includes mark-recapture estimate.
Weir discontinued in 1988.
g/ Poor survey conditions.

Appendix D.12. Taku River sockeye salmon run size, 1984-1991. Run estimate does not include spawning escapements below the U.S./Canada border.

| Year | Canadian Catch |  |  | Escapement | Above Border Run | $\begin{aligned} & \text { U.S. } \\ & \text { Catch } \end{aligned}$ | Total <br> Run |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Commercial | Food | Test |  |  |  |  |
| 1984 | 27,242 |  |  | 106,172 | 133,414 | 58,543 | 191,957 |
| 1985 | 14,244 |  |  | 103,916 | 118,160 | 74,829 | 192,989 |
| 1986 | 14,739 |  |  | 90,370 | 105,109 | 60,934 | 166,043 |
| 1987 | 13,554 |  | 237 | 73,339 | 87,130 | 54,611 | 141,741 ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ |
| 1988 | 12,014 | 245 | 708 | 74,061 | 87,028 | 25,973 | 113,001 |
| 1989 | 18,545 | 53 | 207 | 95,263 | 114,068 | 63,554 | 177,622 |
| 1990 | 21,100 | 89 | 285 | 92,780 | 114,254 | 110,059 | 224,313 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Averages } \\ 84-90 \end{gathered}$ | 17,348 |  |  | 90,843 | 108,452 | 64,072 | 172,524 |
| 86-90 | 15,990 |  |  | 85,163 | 101,518 | 63,026 | 164,544 |
| 1991 | 25,067 | 150 | 163 | 125,127 | 150,507 | 105,606 | 256,11307 |

a/ Includes subsistence and personal use catches.
b/ Includes test fishery catch of 1,030 Taku sockeye salmon in 1987.
c/ Includes test fishery cat ch of 719 Taku sockeye salmon in 1991.

Appendix E.1. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the U.S. commercial fishery in the Alsek River, 1991. There was no ef fort in the surf fishery in 1991 .

| Week | Start Date | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | Boats | Days Open | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Boat } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 24 | 09-Jun |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 68 | 875 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 1 | 21 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 20 | 757 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 10 | 1,336 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 2 | 40 |
| 28 | 07-Ju1 | 3 | 1,475 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 2 | 42 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 0 | 3,533 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 3 | 63 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 1 | 6,277 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 19 | 4 | 76 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 1 | 2,200 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 4 | 80 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 956 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 3 | 42 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 1 | a/ | 3 | a/ |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 10 | 13 | 0 | 0 | a/ | 3 | a/ |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 0 | 65 | 673 | 0 | 19 | 11 | 3 | 33 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 0 | 30 | 271 | 0 | 14 | 4 | 3 | 12 |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 0 | 10 | 928 | 0 | 30 | 7 | 4 | 28 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 0 | 4 | 1,790 | 0 | 18 | 8 | 4 | 32 |
| 39 | 22-Sep | 0 | 1 | 1,936 | 0 | 15 | 7 | 4 | 28 |
| 40 | 29-Sep | 0 | 0 | $\begin{array}{r}1,933 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 0 | 0 | a/ | 4 | a/ |
|  |  | 103 | 17,542 | 5,956 | 0 | 103 | 187 | 49.0 | 534 |

Appendix E.2. Weekly salmon catch and effort in the Canadian food and sport fisheries in the Alsek River, l991.

| Chinook |  |  |  |  |  | Sockeye |  |  |  | Coho |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Week | Date | sport | Release | Food | Total ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ | sport | Release | Food | Total ${ }^{\text {¹/ }}$ | sport | Release | Food | Tota1 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 24 | 09-Jun | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 | 16-Jun | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 | 23-Jun | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 27 | 30-Jun | 9 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 28 | 07-Jul | 111 | 82 | 48 | 159 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 29 | 14-Jul | 153 | 74 | 186 | 339 | 0 | 14 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 | 21-Jul | 111 | 35 | 48 | 159 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 31 | 28-Jul | 4 | 0 | 34 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 32 | 04-Aug | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 33 | 11-Aug | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 101 | 101 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 34 | 18-Aug | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35 | 25-Aug | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 3 | 382 | 407 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 36 | 01-Sep | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 106 | 64 | 148 | 254 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 37 | 08-Sep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 1 | 476 | 502 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 38 | 15-Sep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 53 | 12 | 201 | 254 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 39 | 22-sep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 56 | 32 | 101 | 157 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 40 | 29-Sep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 49 | 0 | 18 | 39 | 42 | 0 | 39 |
| 41 | 06-Oct | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 62 | 0 | 14 | 165 | 336 | 0 | 165 |
| 42 | 13-Oct | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 50 | 132 | 0 | 50 |
| Totals ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ |  | 388 | 194 | 336 | 724 | 303 | 272 | 1,476 | 1,779 | 260 | 512 | 0 | 260 |
| Adjusted | timates | $\begin{gathered} \text { entir } \\ 388 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { season } \\ 194 \end{array}$ | 509 | 897 | 303 | 272 | 2099 | 2402 | 260 | 512 | 214 | 474 |

b/ The total food fish catch above the Klukshu Weir was 241 chinook and 1,906 sockeye salmon.

Daily counts of salmon passing through Klukshu River weir, 1991.


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Appendix E.4. Salmon catch and effort in the U.S. commercial fishery in the Alsek River, $1964-1991$.

| Year | Catch |  |  |  |  | Effort |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Chinook | Sockeye | Coho | Pink | Chum | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Boat } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ | Days Open |
| 1964 | 591 | 14,127 | 9,760 | 144 | 367 | 592 | 72.00 |
| 1965 | 719 | 28,487 | 9,638 | 10 | 72 | 1,016 | 72.00 |
| 1966 | 934 | 29,091 | 2,688 | 22 | 240 | 500 | 68.00 |
| 1967 | 225 | 11,108 | 10,090 | 107 | 30 | 600 | 68.00 |
| 1968 | 215 | 26,918 | 10,586 | 82 | 240 | 664 | 68.00 |
| 1969 | 685 | 29,259 | 2,493 | 38 | 61 | 807 | 61.00 |
| 1970 | 1,128 | 22,654 | 2,188 | 6 | 26 | 670 | 52.25 |
| 1971 | 1,222 | 25,314 | 4,730 | 3 | 120 | 764 | 60.50 |
| 1972 | 1,827 | 18,717 | 7,296 | 37 | 280 | 640 | 65.00 |
| 1973 | 1,757 | 26,523 | 4,395 | 26 | 283 | 894 | 52.00 |
| 1974 | 1,162 | 16,747 | 7,046 | 13 | 107 | 699 | 46.00 |
| 1975 | 1,379 | 13,842 | 2,230 | 16 | 261 | 738 | 58.00 |
| 1976 | 512 | 19,741 | 4,883 | 0 | 368 | 550 | 58.50 |
| 1977 | 1,402 | 40,780 | 11,817 | 689 | 483 | 893 | 57.00 |
| 1978 | 2,441 | 50,580 | 13,913 | 59 | 233 | 948 | 57.00 |
| 1979 | 2,525 | 41,449 | 6,158 | 142 | 263 | 1,146 | 51.00 |
| 1980 | 1,382 | 25,589 | 7,863 | 21 | 1,005 | -794 | 42.00 |
| 1981 | - 779 | 23,697 | 10,096 | 65 | 816 | 500 | 41.00 |
| 1982 | 532 | 27,389 | 6,534 | 6 | 358 | 497 | 36.00 |
| 1983 | 94 | 18,546 | 5,253 | 20 | 432 | 466 | 38.00 |
| 1984 | 60 | 14,326 | 7,868 | 24 | 1,610 | 455 | 33.00 |
| 1985 | 213 | 5,940 | 5,622 | 3 | 427 | 271 | 33.00 |
| 1986 | 478 | 24,791 | 1,344 | 13 | 462 | 517 | 34.00 |
| 1987 | 347 | 11,281 | 2,517 | 0 | 1,924 | 388 | 40.50 |
| 1988 | 223 | 6,286 | 4,986 | 7 | 907 | 324 | 34.00 |
| 1989 | 228 | 13,513 | 5,972 | 2 | 1,031 | 357 | 38.80 |
| 1990 | 78 | 16,852 | 1,437 | 0 | 495 | 376 | 38.00 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 64-90 | 857 | 22,354 | 6,274 | 58 | 478 | 632 | 50.91 |
| 81-90 | 303 | 16,262 | 5,163 | 14 | 846 | 415 | 36.63 |
| 1991 | 103 | 17,542 | 5,956 | 0 | 103 | 513 | 49.00 |

Appendix E.5. Salmon catch in the U.S. subsistence fishery in the Alsek River, 1976-1991.


Appendix E.6. Salmon catches in the Canadian food and sport fisheries in the Alsek River, 1976-1991.

| Year | Chinook |  |  | Sockeye |  |  | Coho |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Food | Sport | Total | Food | Sport | Total | Food | Sport | Total |
| 1976 | 125 | 200 | 325 | 3,750 | 600 | 4,350 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| 1977 | 250 | 300 | 550 | 11,350 | 500 | 11,850 | 0 | 200 | 200 |
| 1978 | 300 | 300 | 600 | 7,850 | 500 | 8,350 | 0 | 200 | 200 |
| 1979 | 130 | 650 | 780 | 5,260 | 750 | 6,010 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| 1980 | 150 | 200 | 350 | 900 | 600 | 1,500 | 0 | 200 | 200 |
| 1981 | 150 | 315 | 465 | 1,900 | 808 | 2,708 | 0 | 109 | 109 |
| 1982 | 400 | 224 | 624 | 4,800 | 755 | 5,555 | 0 | 109 | 109 |
| 1983 | 300 | 312 | 612 | 2,475 | 732 | 3,207 | 0 | 16 | 16 |
| 1984 | 100 | 475 | 575 | 2,500 | 289 | 2,789 | 0 | 20 | 20 |
| 1985 | 175 | 250 | 425 | 1,361 | 100 | 1,461 | 50 | 100 | 150 |
| 1986 | 102 | 165 | 267 | 1,914 | 307 | 2,221 | 0 | 9 | 9 |
| 1987 | 125 | 367 | 492 | 1,158 | 383 | 1,541 | 0 | 49 | 49 |
| 1988 | 43 | 249 | 292 | 1,604 | 322 | 1,926 | 0 | 192 | 192 |
| 1989 | 167 | 272 | 439 | 1,906 | 319 | 2,225 | 0 | 227 | 227 |
| 1990 | 173 | 555 | 728 | 2,012 | 392 | 2,404 | 0 | 75 | 75 |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 76-90 | 179 | 322 | 502 | 3,383 | 490 | 3,873 | 3 | 114 | 117 |
| 81-90 | 174 | 318 | 492 | 2,163 | 441 | 2,604 | 5 | 91 | 96 |
| 1991 | 509 | 388 | 897 | 2,099 | 303 | 2,402 | 214 | 260 | 474 |

Appendix E.7. Klukshu River weir counts of chinook, sockeye, and coho salmon, 1976-1991. The escapements into Klukshu Lake are calculated from the weir count - fish harvested above the weir site. The remainder of the food fishery harvest occured below the weir, at Village Creek, and Blanchard and Takhanne Rivers.

|  | Chinooka/ |  | Sockeye |  |  |  | Cohos ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Count | Escape. | Early ${ }^{\text {b/ }}$ | Late | Total | Escape. | Count | Escape. |
| 1976 | 1,278 | 1,153 | 181 | 11,510 | 11,691 | 7,941 | 1,572 |  |
| 1977 | 3,144 | 2,894 | 8,931 | 17,860 | 26,791 | 15,441 | 2,758 |  |
| 1978 | 2,976 | 2,676 | 2,508 | 24,359 | 26,867 | 19,017 | 30 |  |
| 1979 | 4,404 | 4,274 | 977 | 11,334 | 12,311 | 7,051 | 175 |  |
| 1980 | 2,637 | 2,487 | 1,008 | 10,742 | 11,750 | 10,850 | 704 |  |
| 1981 | 2,113 | 1,963 | -997 | 19,351 | 20,348 | 18,448 | 1,170 |  |
| 1982 | 2,369 | 1,969 | 7,758 | 25,941 | 33,699 | 28,899 | 189 |  |
| 1983 | 2,537 | 2,237 | 6,047 | 14,445 | 20,492 | 18,017 | 303 |  |
| 1984 | 1,672 | 1,572 | 2,769 | 9,958 | 12,727 | 10,227 | 1,402 |  |
| 1985 | 1,458 | 1,283 | 539 | 18,081 | 18,620 | 17,259 | 350 |  |
| 1986 | 2,709 | 2,607 | 416 | 24,434 | 24,850 | 22,936 | 71 |  |
| 1987 | 2,616 | 2,491 | 3,269 | 7,235 | 10,504 | 9,346 | 202 |  |
| 1988 | 2,037 | 1,994 | 585 | 8,756 | 9,341 | 7,737 | 2,774 |  |
| 1989 | 2,456 | 2,289 | 3,400 | 20,142 | 23,542 | 21,636 | 2,219 |  |
| 1990 | 1,915 | 1,742 | 1,316 | 24,679 | 25,995 | 24,607 | 315 |  |
| Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 76-90 | 2,421 | 2,242 | 2,713 | 16,588 | 19,302 | 15,961 | 949 |  |
| 85-90 | 2,199 | 2,068 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $86-90$ $87-90$ |  |  | 1,797 | 17,049 | 18,846 | 17,252 |  |  |
| 87-901 | 2,489 | 2,223 | 1,924 | 17,053 | 18,977 | 17,063 | 1,378 8,540 | 8,478 |

Counts include jack chinook
Includes sockeye counts up to and including August 15.
a) Weir was removed prior to the end of the coho run.

| Appendix E.8. | Alsek River sockeye counts from U.S. and Canadian aerial surveys and from the electronic counter at Village Creek, 1985-1991. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | U.S. Aerial Surveys ${ }^{\text {/ }}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { Canadian Aerial Surveysb/ Village } \\ \text { Tatshenshini Neskataheen Creek } \\ \text { River } & \text { Lake } \\ \text { Counter } \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
|  | Year | Basin Creek | Cabin Creek | Muddy Creek | Tanis R1ver |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1985 | 2,600 |  |  | 2,200 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1986 | 100 |  | 300 | 2,700 | 536 | 750 | 1,490 |  |
|  | 1987 | 350 | 220 |  | 1,600 |  |  | 1,875 |  |
|  | 1988 | 500 |  |  | 750 | 433 | 456 | $433{ }^{\text {d/ }}$ |  |
|  | 1989 | 320 |  |  | 680 | 1,689 | 1,700 | 9,569 |  |
|  | 1990 | 275 | 300 |  | 3,500 |  |  | 7,500 |  |
|  | Averages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 86-90 | 309 | 260 | 300 | 1,846 | 886 | 969 | 4,173 |  |
|  | 1991 |  |  |  | 800 |  |  | 5,670 |  |

a/ Surveys not made every year at each tributary.
b/ Included several streams from Lo-Fog to Goat Creek.
Counts include estimates made during sporadic periods when the counter malfunctioned.
d/ Incomplete count due to machine malfunction.

Appendix E.9. Aerial survey index counts of Alsek chinook salmon escapements, 1984-1991.

a/ Not surveyed due to poor visablilty.

Appendix E.10. Aerial survey counts of coho salmon from U.S. lower Alsek River tributaries, $1984-1991$.

a/ Few systems surveyed.


[^0]:    = Indicates indirect fishery allowed;
    $=$ Indicates directed fishery allowed.
    Cumulative U.S. catch decreased due to updated catch information.

[^1]:    Based on historical migratory timing, $96.8 \%$
    total smolt run in 1991 was $1,487,265$ fish.

[^2]:    1987 jack chinook catch is for both set and drift nets.

[^3]:    Andrew Creek counts in 1983 and 1984 are from a weir.
    b) Not surveyed due to poor visability.

    Aerial survey.

[^4]:    a/ The average is an average of weekly run timing estimates as well as stock composition estimates and is not a simple average of total estimates for the season.

[^5]:    b/ Food fishery catch by week not available. and may not equal the sum of the period escapement estimates.

[^6]:    a/ Large chinook are defined as fish of $>600$ POH length.

[^7]:    a/ The Trapper and Mainstem groups were combined in the 1989 analysis.
    b/ Averages for individual stocks do not include 1989.

[^8]:    a/ The Trapper and Mainstem groups were combined in the 1989 analysis.
    Averages do not include 1989.

[^9]:    a/ Partial survey.
    b/ Extrapolated results.

