

In-season Kenai king salmon management:

- Summarize components of inseason management
- Summarize uncertainty of inseason projections
- Review sources of abundance to support management
- Department actions for future assessment and management

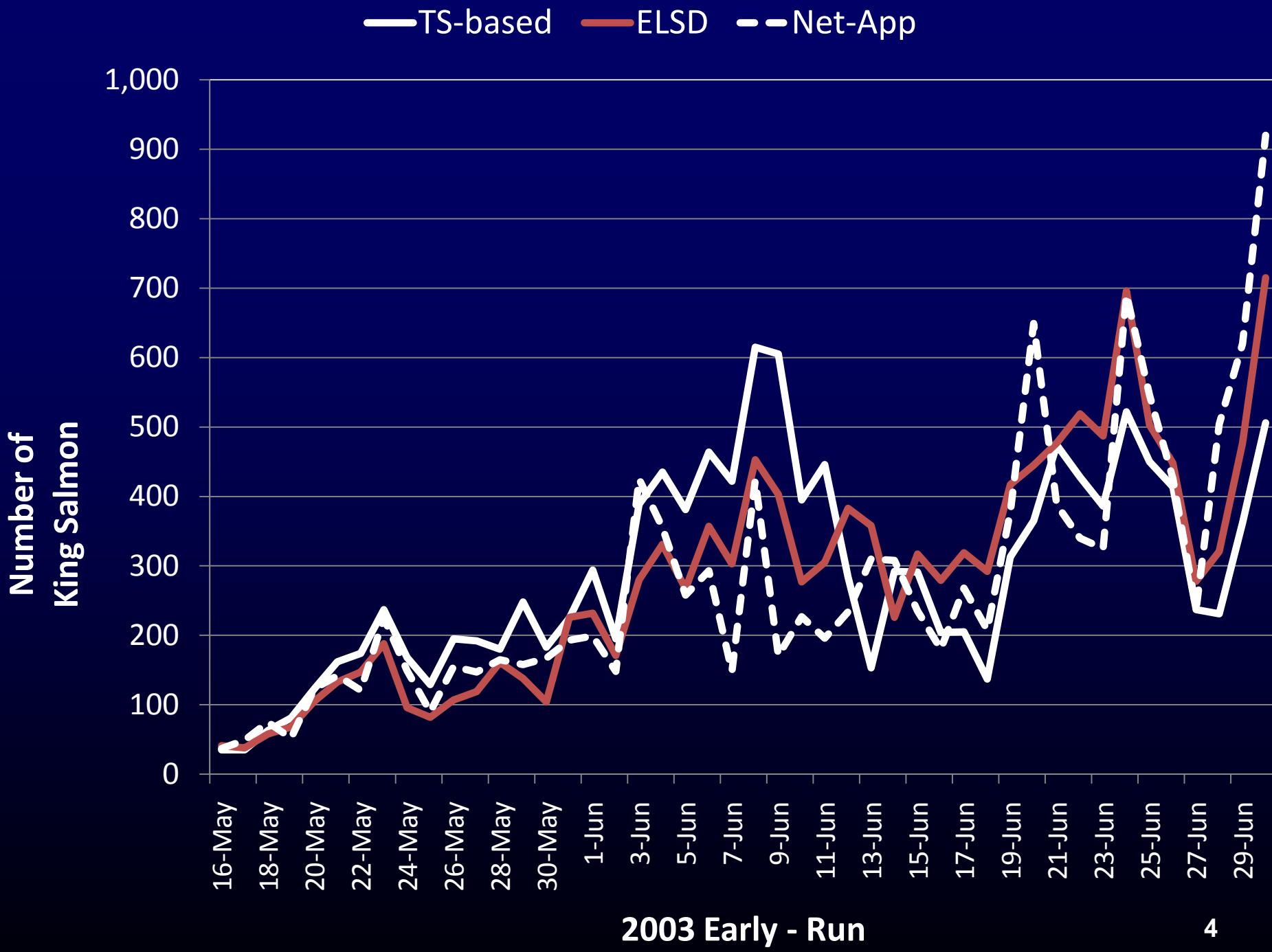
In-season Kenai king salmon management: Sonar estimate minus harvest = escapement

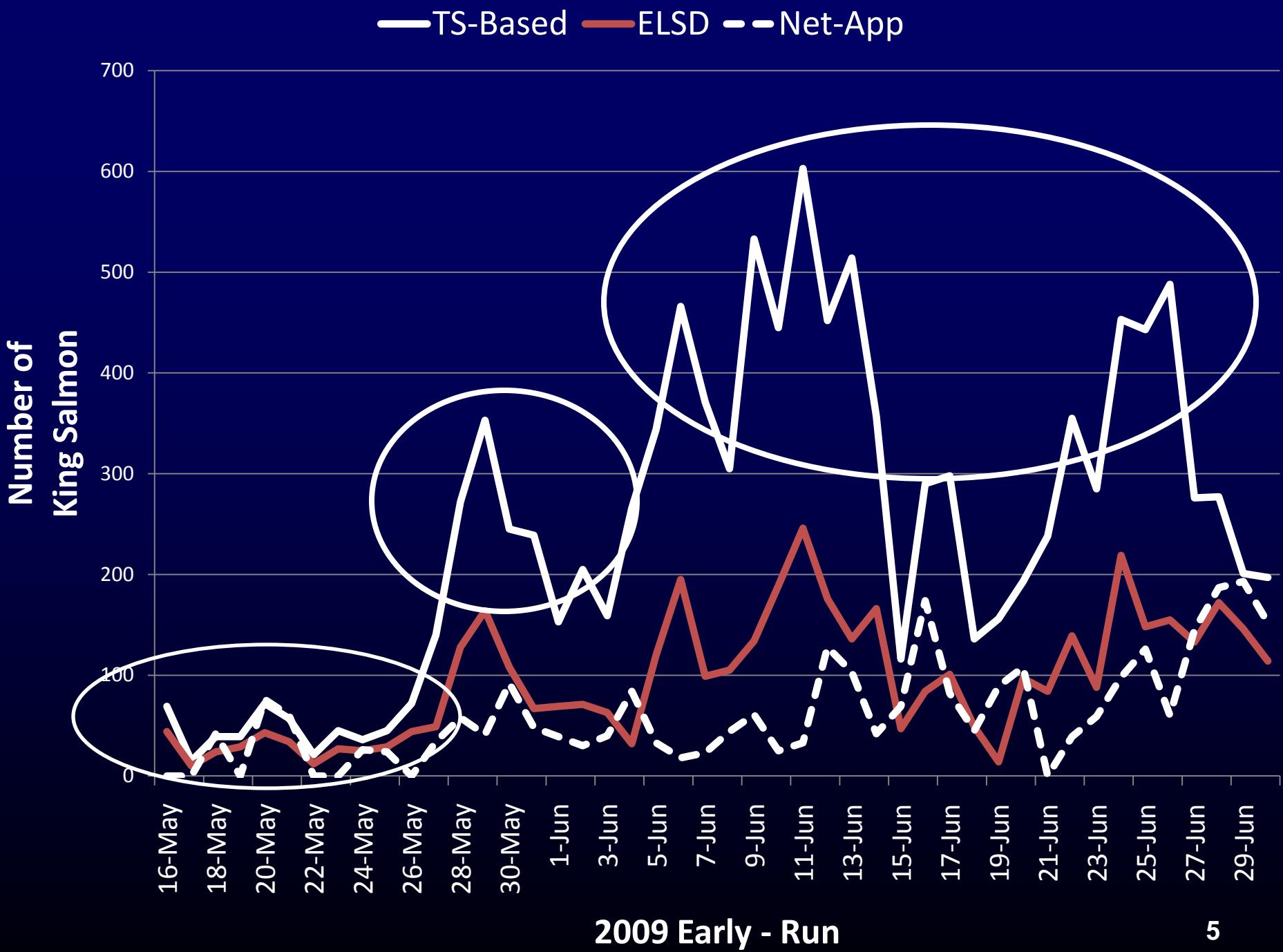
- ✓ Inseason run projected from sonar estimate
- ✓ Inseason harvest estimate projected for run
- ✓ Escapement projected inseason: sonar minus harvest
- ✓ Escapement goals based on split-beam target strength (TS-Based)

Additional sonar estimates

- Echo Length Standard Deviation “ELSD”

- Net Apportioned “Net-App”

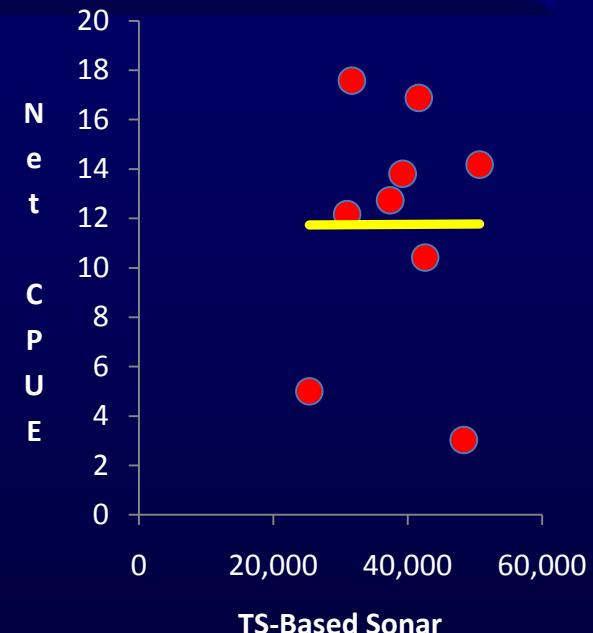
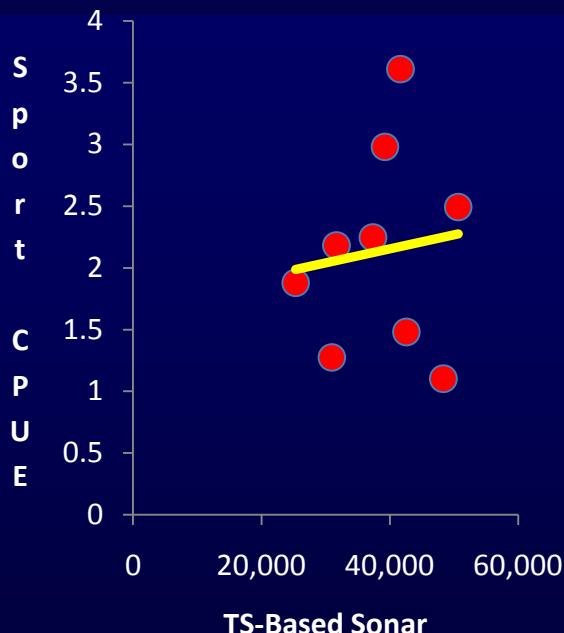
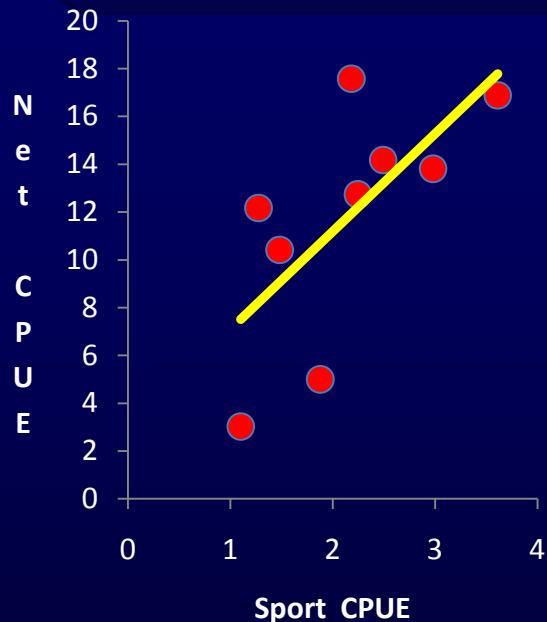




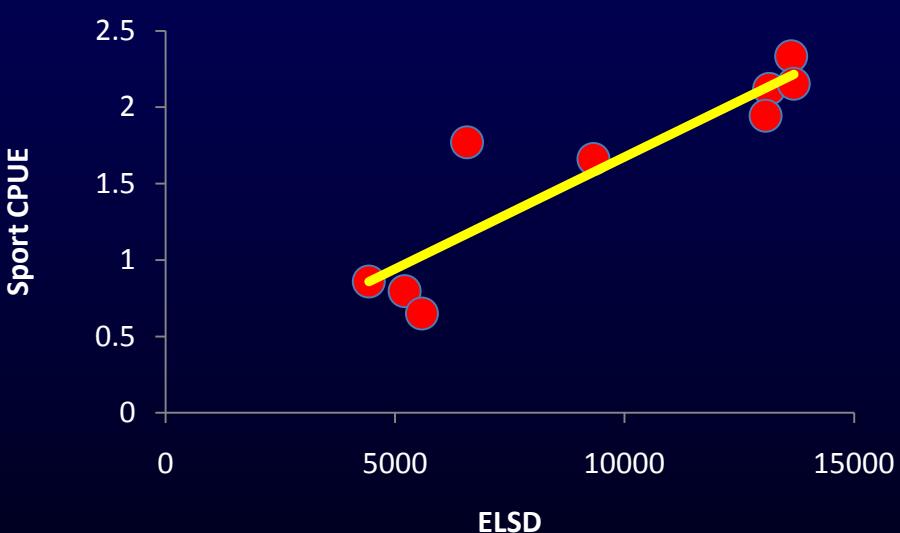
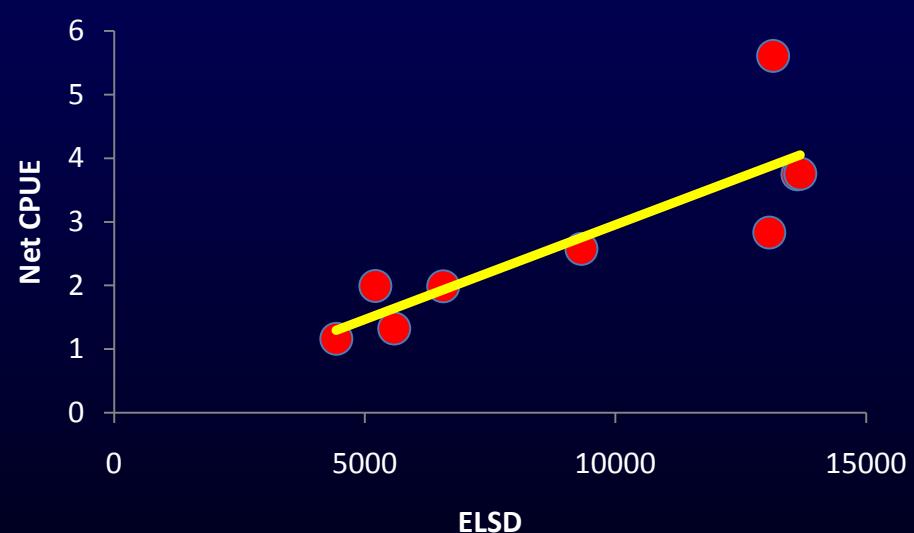
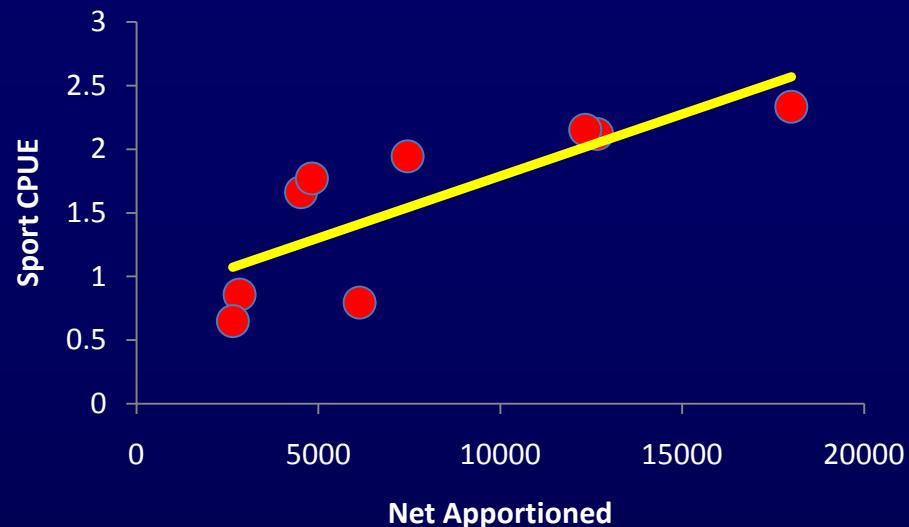
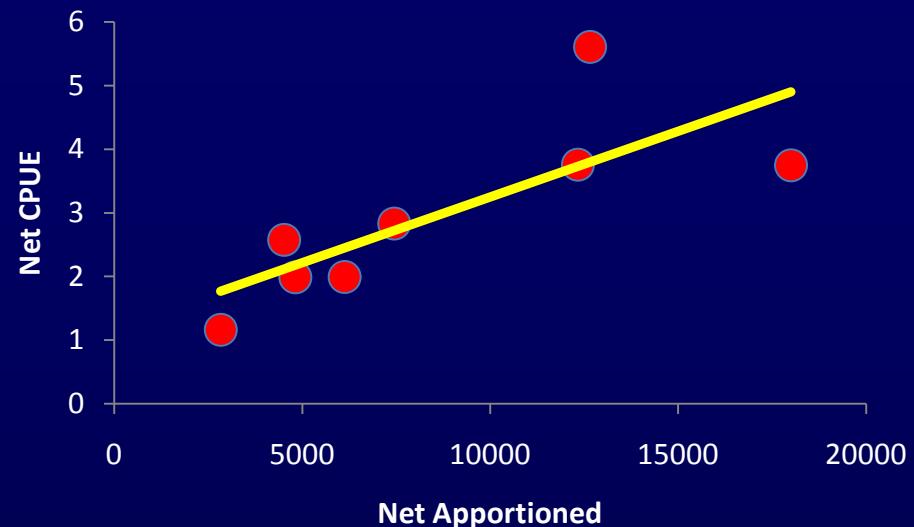
Other King Salmon Abundance Information

- **Test Netting Project CPUE**
- **Creel Survey CPUE**
- **Eastside Setnet (ESSN) Exploitation (Late Run Only)**
- **Genetic (GSI) Data, SSART Model, Weir Expansion (post-season)**

TS-Based, Sport & Net CPUE

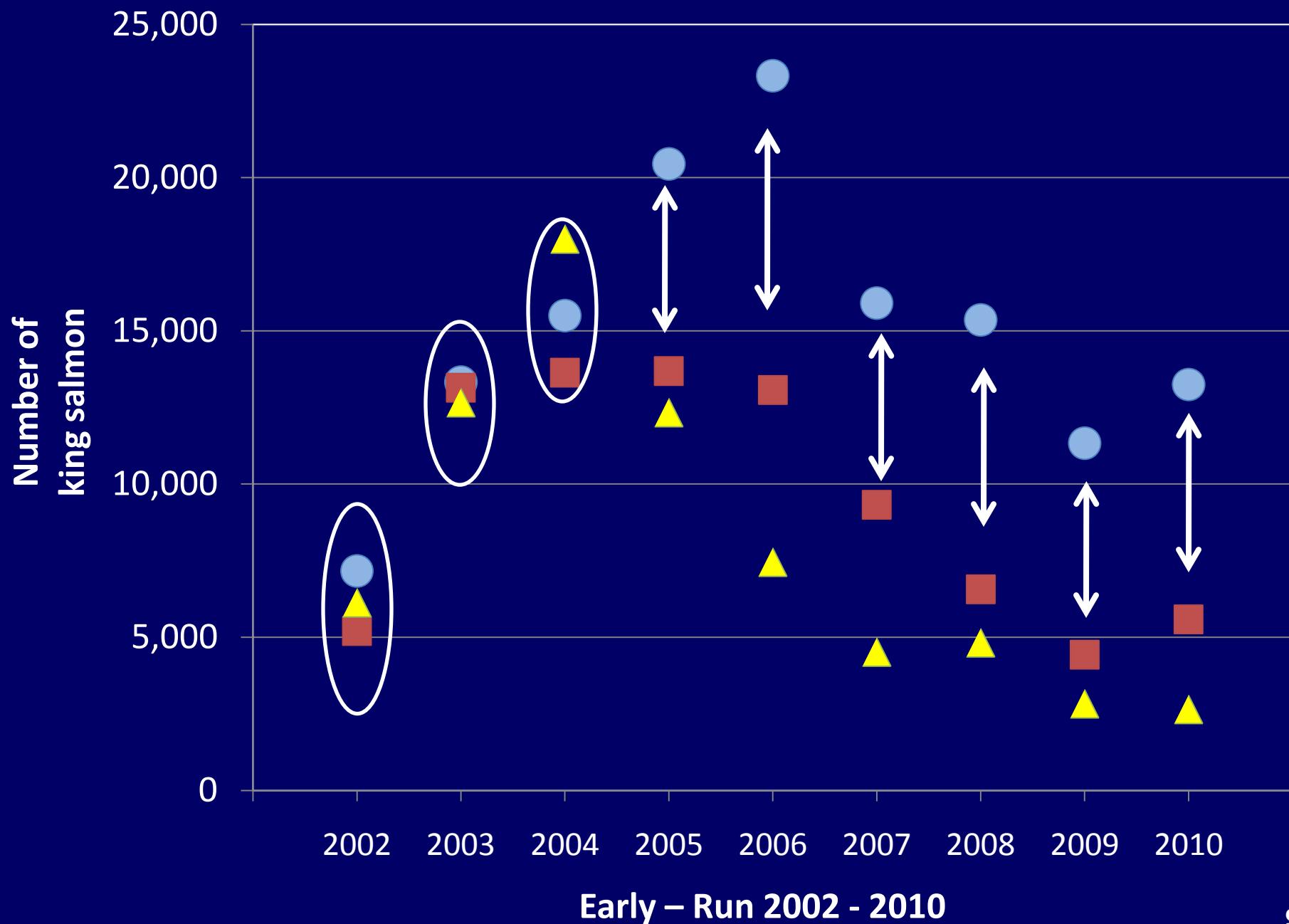


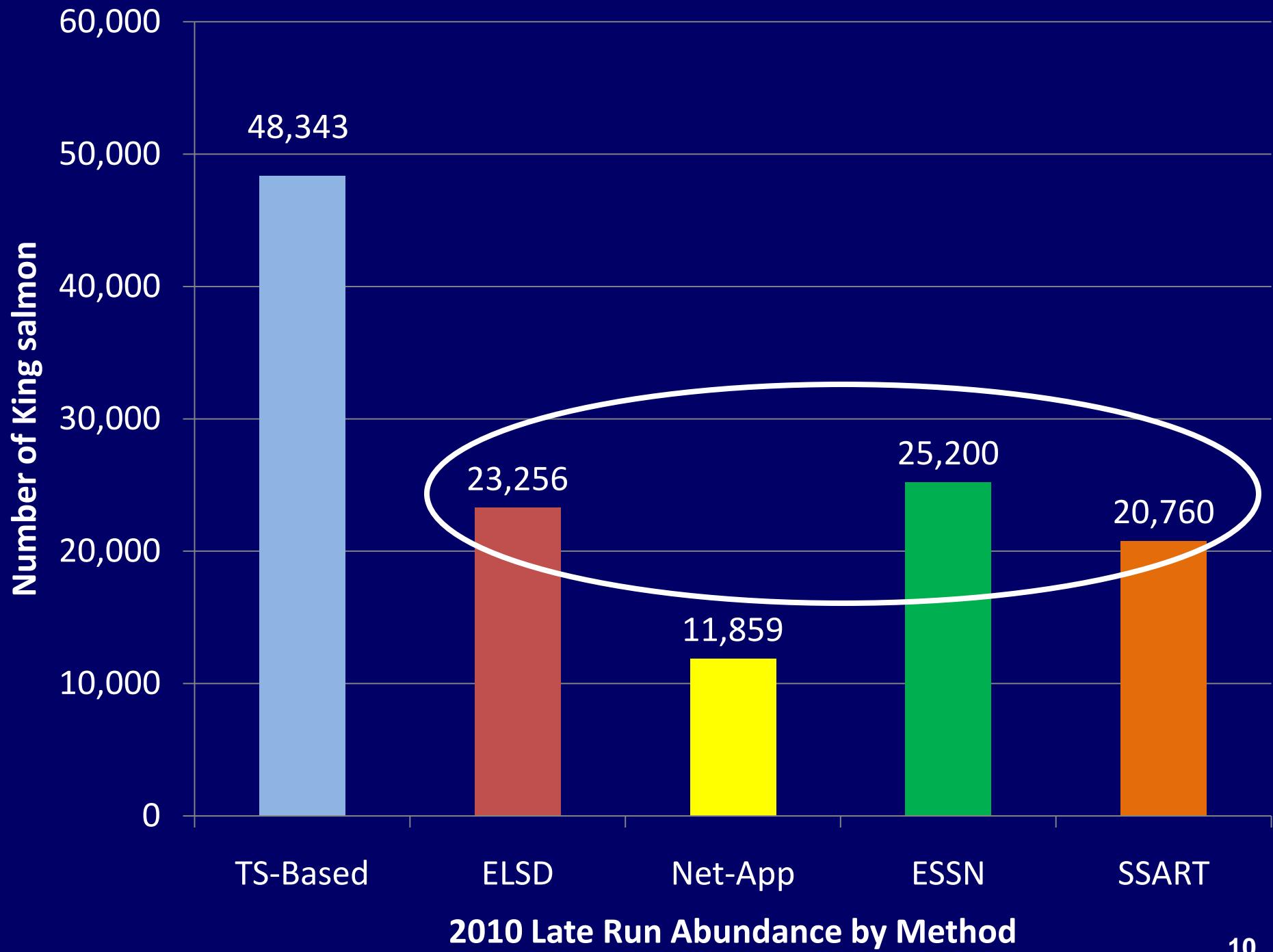
- “Agreement” of Sport & Net CPUE
- “Disagreement” of Sport & Net CPUE with TS-Based



➤ “Agreement” of Sport & Net CPUE with other estimates

● TS-Based ■ ELSD ▲ Net-App





Future Department Actions

- ❖ Transition to DIDSON & develop new escapement goals
 - DIDSON with estimates of ELSD, Net Apportioned
 - Independent (non-sonar) estimates of king salmon abundance
 - Assess runs until sufficient information is available

Future Department Actions

- ❖ Reduce management uncertainty and produce reliable estimates during transition
 - Discontinue TS-Based assessment, use ELSD sonar estimates to assess run strength and to project escapement
 - Use all indices: ELSD, Net apportioned, CPUEs, ESSN and SSART

Summary

- TS-Based estimates often do not provide meaningful data to support management actions
- Other sources of information more reliable
- Manage conservatively during transition
- DIDSON-Based in-season assessment and goals

Questions?