



## Advisory Announcement

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### Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #42

**SEINE FISHERIES:** PWS purse seine fisheries will be closed on Saturday, August 12. The next broad area fishing period will be on Sunday, August 13 with time and area announced tomorrow. PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on July 25, and has collected approximately 67% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal. PWSAC cost recovery is continuing today.

Harvest through August 10 there have been approximately 29.08 million pink salmon harvested in PWS common properties fisheries. This harvest is composed of 58% VFDA, 7% CCH, 5% AFK, 3% WNH, and 27% wild pink salmon. Currently the wild stock pink salmon run is approximately 62% complete (Figure 1).

VFDA estimates about 300,000 fish near the hatchery. Egg-take operations at VFDA began on August 4.

Preliminary harvest estimates for the fishing periods that occurred on August 9 are as follows:

- Eastern District: 651,000 pink and 19,500 chum salmon with 63 reported deliveries
- Northern District: 1.28 million pink salmon with 109 reported deliveries
- Coghill District: 72,000 pink salmon with 27 reported deliveries
- Southwestern District: 678,000 pink salmon with 47 deliveries
- Montague District: 285,000 pink salmon with 31 deliveries
- Southeastern District: 140,000 pink salmon with 14 reported deliveries

Recent preliminary otolith contribution estimates are as follows:

- Eastern District on August 2: 50% SGH, 1% CCH and 49% wild
- Eastern District on August 5: 55% wild, 40% SGH, 2% CCH, 2% WNH, and 1% AFK
- Coghill District on August 5: 57% wild, 28% WNH, 14% CCH, and 1% AFK
- Northwestern District on August 5: 76% wild, 21% WNH, and 2% CCH
- Northern District on August 2: 48% CCH, 29% wild, 8% WNH, 8% SGH, and 6% AFK
- Northern District on August 5: 46% CCH, 25% wild, 17% AFK, 6% SGH, 6% WNH
- Southeastern District on August 2: 95% wild, 2% AFK, 1% SGH, 1% CCH, and 1% WNH
- Southeastern District on August 5: 78% wild, 14% SGH, 5% AFK, 2% CCH, and 2% WNH
- Northwestern District on August 2: 70% wild, 21% WNH, 5% CCH, 3% AFK, and 1% SGH

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Saturday, August 12.

Announcement recordings are available for gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535 and seine fisheries at 907-424-7345. In addition, announcement recordings are available in Anchorage at 907-267-2843.