

Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Working Group

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Meeting Agenda

Date: 07/29/2015

Time: 10:00am

Place: Bethel

Time Called to Order:

Chair: Bev Hoffman

Time Adjourned:

ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Upriver Elder:

Downriver Elder:

Commercial Fisher:

Lower River Subsistence:

Middle River Subsistence:

Upper River Subsistence:

Headwaters Subsistence:

QUORUM MET? Yes / No

Processor:

Member at Large:

Sport Fisher:

Western Interior RAC:

Y-K Delta RAC:

ADF&G:

INTRODUCTIONS:

INVOCATION:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *the agenda may be amended at this time.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Optional. ADF&G does not prepare official meeting minutes.*

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- ADF&G Management Actions under consideration
- Overview of Kuskokwim River salmon run assessment\ discussion of ADF&G considerations:
 - a. Test Fisheries (Bethel and Aniak):
 - b. Weirs/Mark-Recapture/Aerial Surveys/Other:
- Subsistence Reports: Lowest river, ~~ONC Inseason Subsistence Report~~, Lower River, Middle River, Upper River, Headwaters.
 - USFWS Subsistence Report
- Commercial Catch Report:
- Processor Report:
- Sport Fish Report:
- Intercept Fishery Report: *optional*
- Weather Forecast:
- Discussion of ADF&G Management considerations and discussion of possible alternatives (recommendations from the Working Group):
- Motion for Discussion and Action:

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- Kuskokwim Subsistence Salmon Panel (KSSP) update- *Glenn Haight*
- Placement of *People to be Heard* on the Working Group agenda

COMMENTS FROM WORKING GROUP MEMBERS:

NEXT MEETING DATE: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

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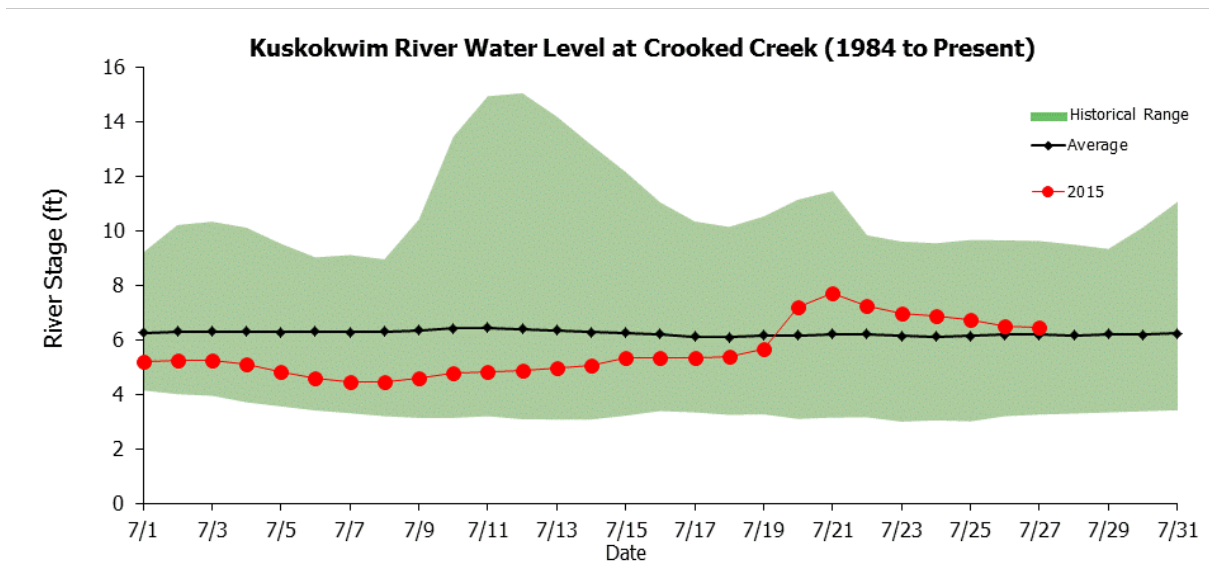
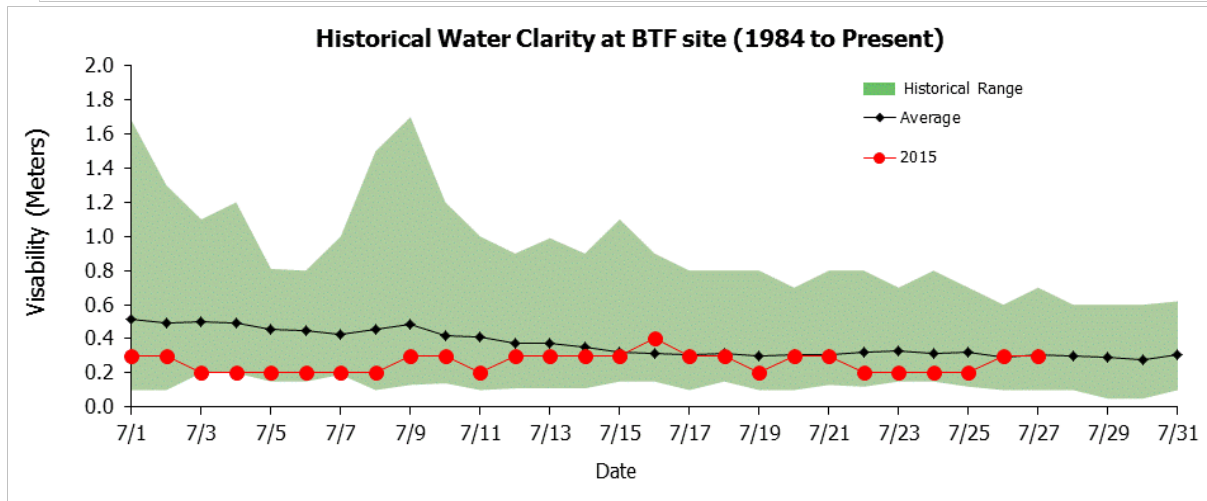
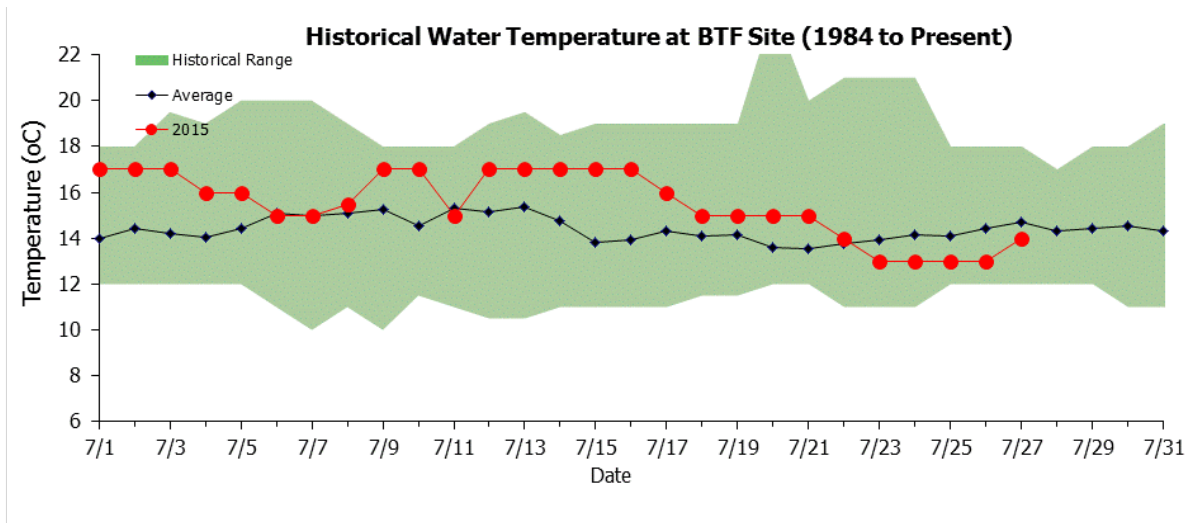
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Thank you.
Jennifer Peeks
Chris Shelden
Working Group coordinators

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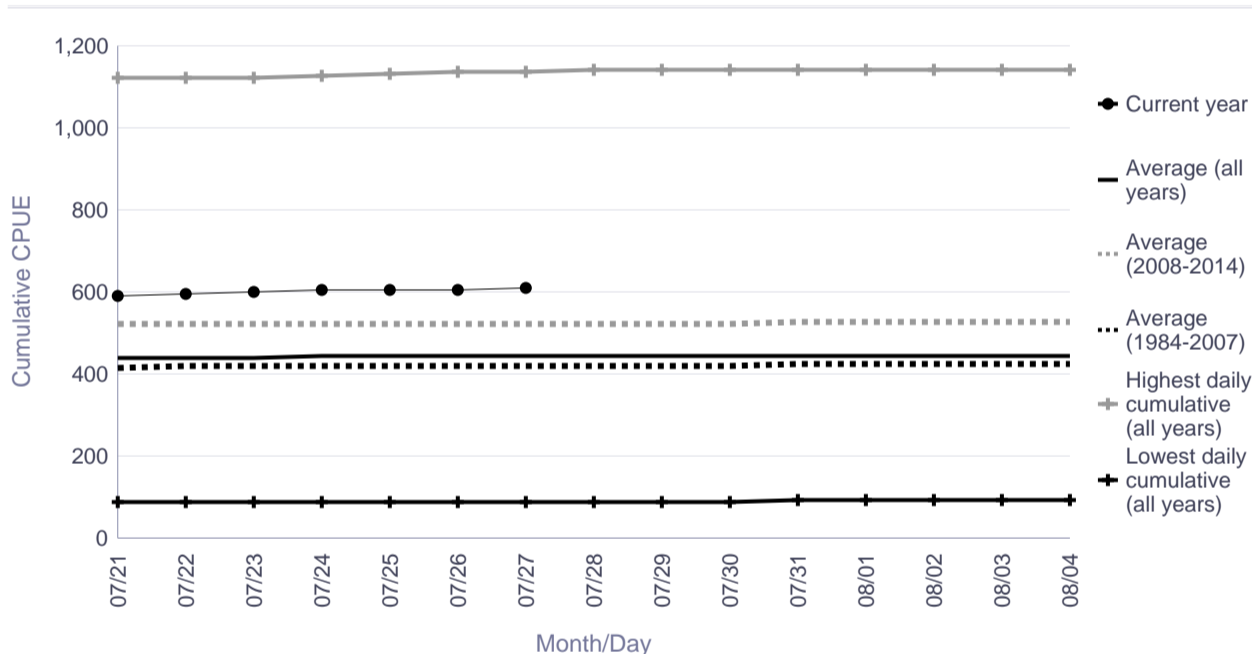
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Bethel Test Fishery Chinook Salmon Cumulative CPUE Index

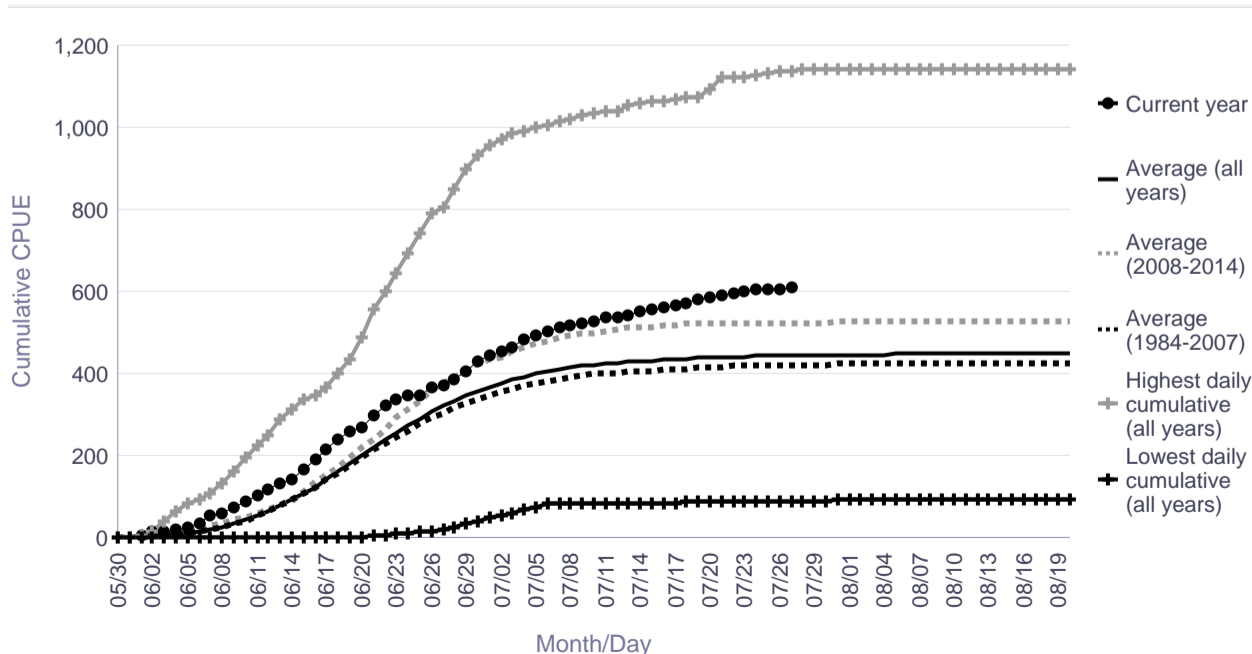
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07/21	89	441	417	522	1,120	589
07/22	89	441	418	522	1,122	597
07/23	89	442	418	522	1,122	601
07/24	89	443	419	523	1,128	604
07/25	89	443	419	524	1,131	604
07/26	89	444	420	524	1,136	606
07/27	89	444	421	524	1,136	610
07/28	89	445	421	524	1,139	
07/29	89	445	422	524	1,139	
07/30	89	445	422	524	1,139	
07/31	91	446	422	525	1,139	
08/01	91	446	423	525	1,141	
08/02	91	446	423	525	1,141	
08/03	91	446	423	526	1,141	
08/04	91	447	423	526	1,141	

	Lowest CPUE	Average CPUE (all years)	Average CPUE (1984-2007)	Average CPUE (2008-2014)	Highest CPUE
Season Total	91	448	424	527	1,141

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Season Total Overview



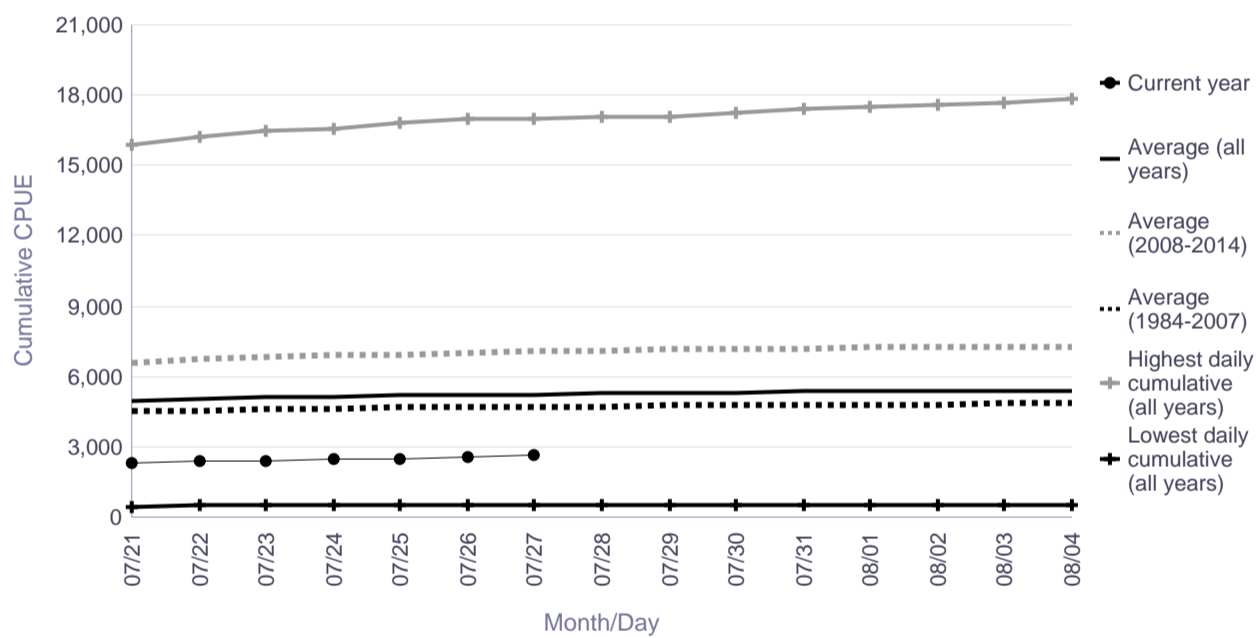
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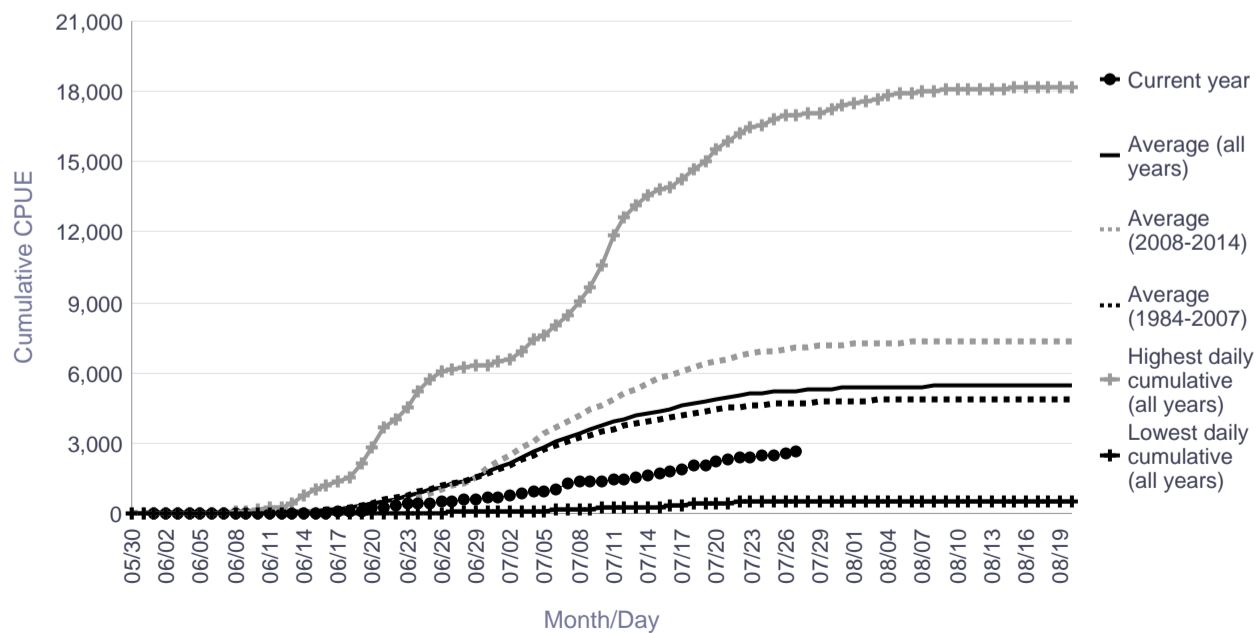
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07/21	483	4,973	4,499	6,597	15,901	2,276
07/22	505	5,045	4,558	6,715	16,177	2,379
07/23	517	5,102	4,600	6,823	16,444	2,443
07/24	527	5,146	4,632	6,909	16,598	2,485
07/25	527	5,187	4,669	6,962	16,775	2,494
07/26	535	5,226	4,703	7,020	16,969	2,549
07/27	537	5,252	4,724	7,063	17,011	2,622
07/28	543	5,277	4,745	7,104	17,031	
07/29	543	5,302	4,764	7,148	17,093	
07/30	545	5,324	4,783	7,177	17,211	
07/31	547	5,346	4,802	7,210	17,368	
08/01	547	5,364	4,817	7,237	17,523	
08/02	547	5,375	4,827	7,256	17,599	
08/03	547	5,390	4,841	7,272	17,690	
08/04	549	5,404	4,854	7,288	17,827	

	Lowest CPUE	Average CPUE (all years)	Average CPUE (1984-2007)	Average CPUE (2008-2014)	Highest CPUE
Season Total	549	5,462	4,902	7,381	18,192

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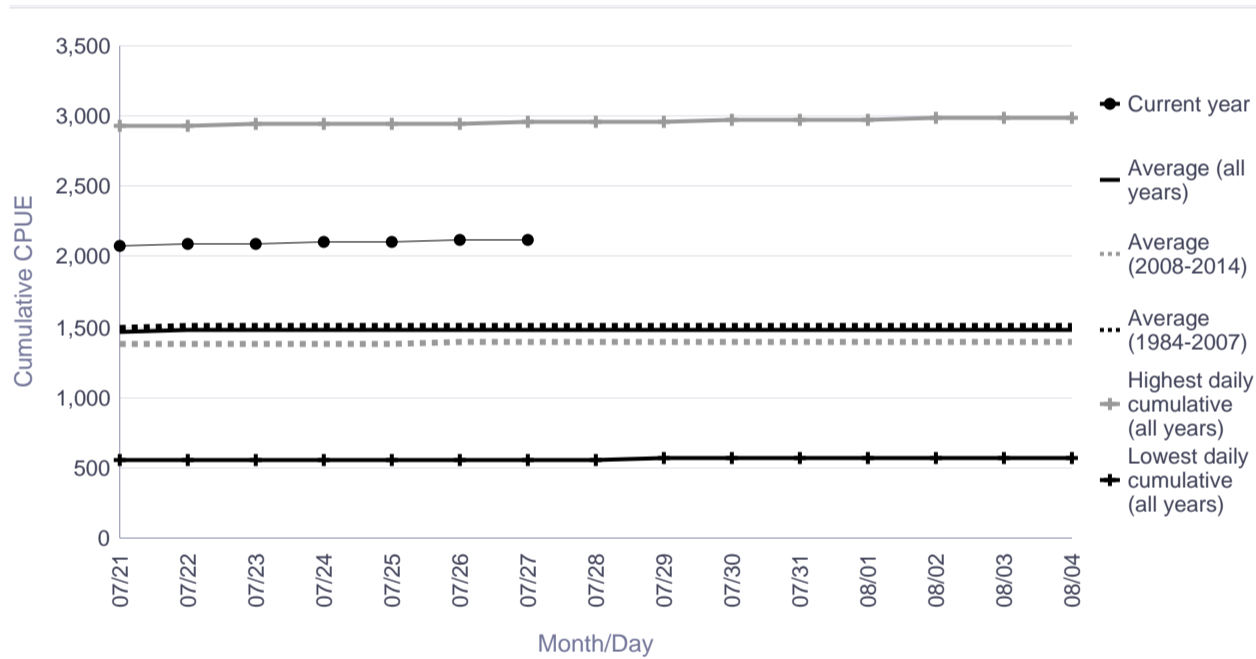
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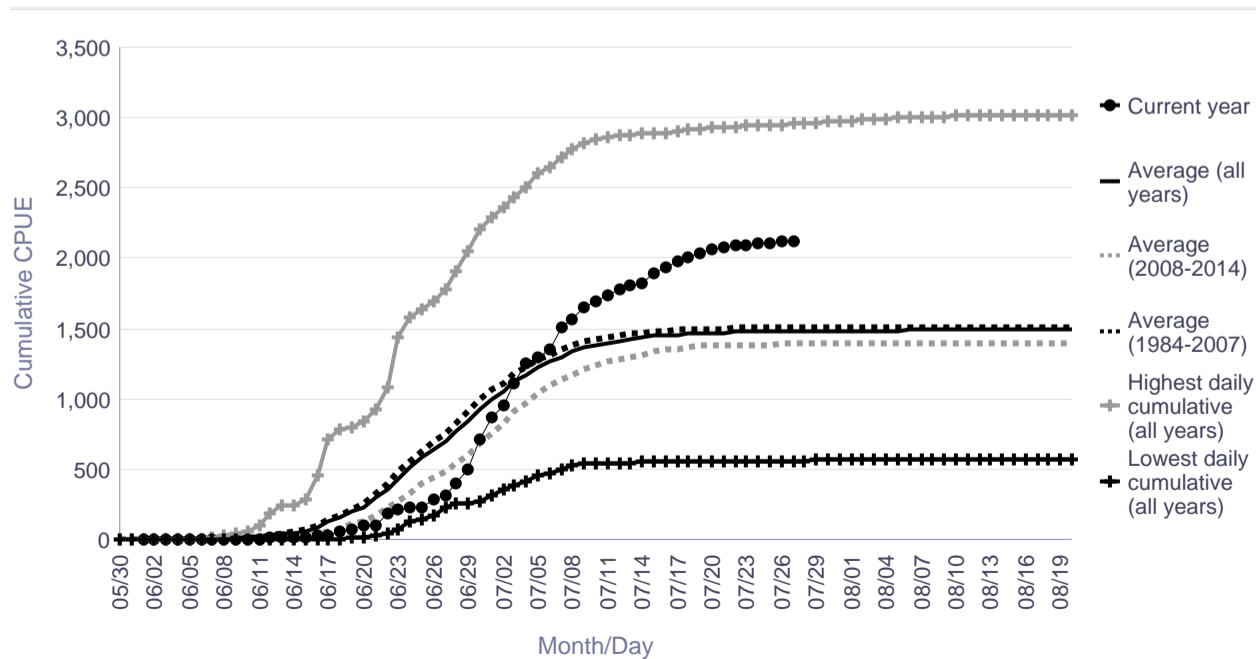
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	Average (1984-2007)	Average (2008-2014)	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current year
07/21	557	1,473	1,500	1,380	2,934	2,073
07/22	559	1,475	1,502	1,382	2,936	2,091
07/23	559	1,477	1,504	1,384	2,940	2,098
07/24	559	1,477	1,504	1,385	2,940	2,103
07/25	559	1,478	1,505	1,387	2,940	2,107
07/26	561	1,480	1,506	1,389	2,944	2,116
07/27	561	1,481	1,507	1,391	2,953	2,120
07/28	562	1,482	1,508	1,393	2,955	
07/29	565	1,483	1,508	1,395	2,964	
07/30	567	1,484	1,509	1,395	2,972	
07/31	567	1,484	1,510	1,395	2,976	
08/01	569	1,485	1,511	1,395	2,978	
08/02	569	1,485	1,511	1,396	2,983	
08/03	569	1,486	1,512	1,396	2,987	
08/04	569	1,487	1,513	1,398	2,990	

	Lowest CPUE	Average CPUE (all years)	Average CPUE (1984-2007)	Average CPUE (2008-2014)	Highest CPUE
Season Total	569	1,490	1,516	1,402	3,019

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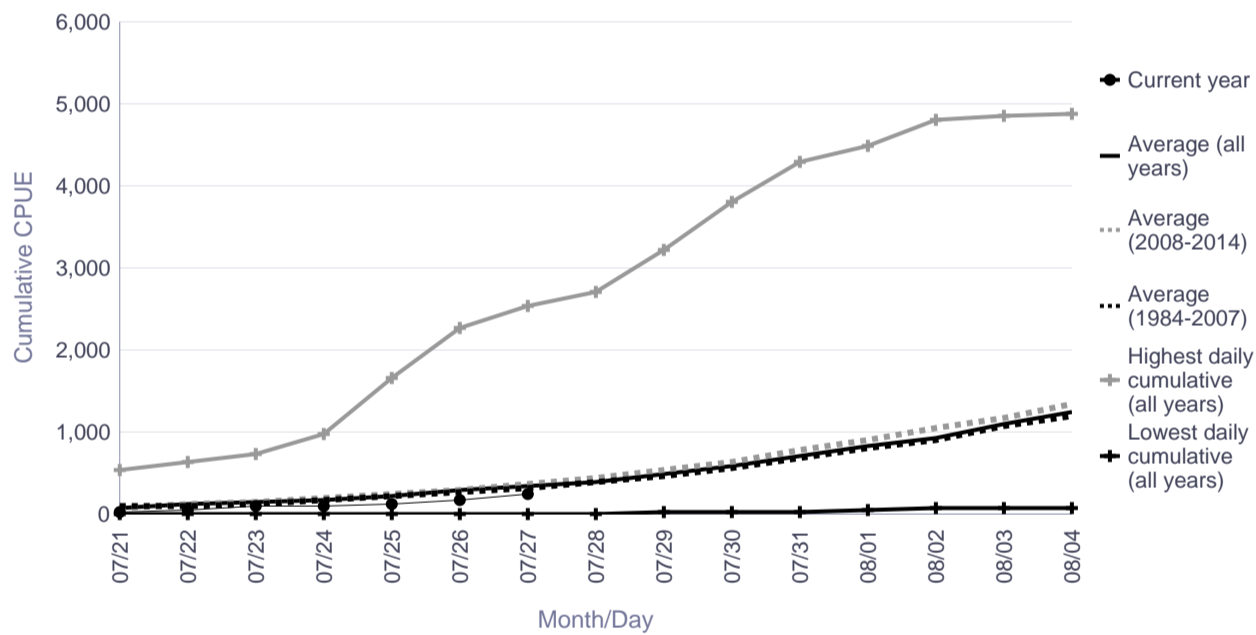
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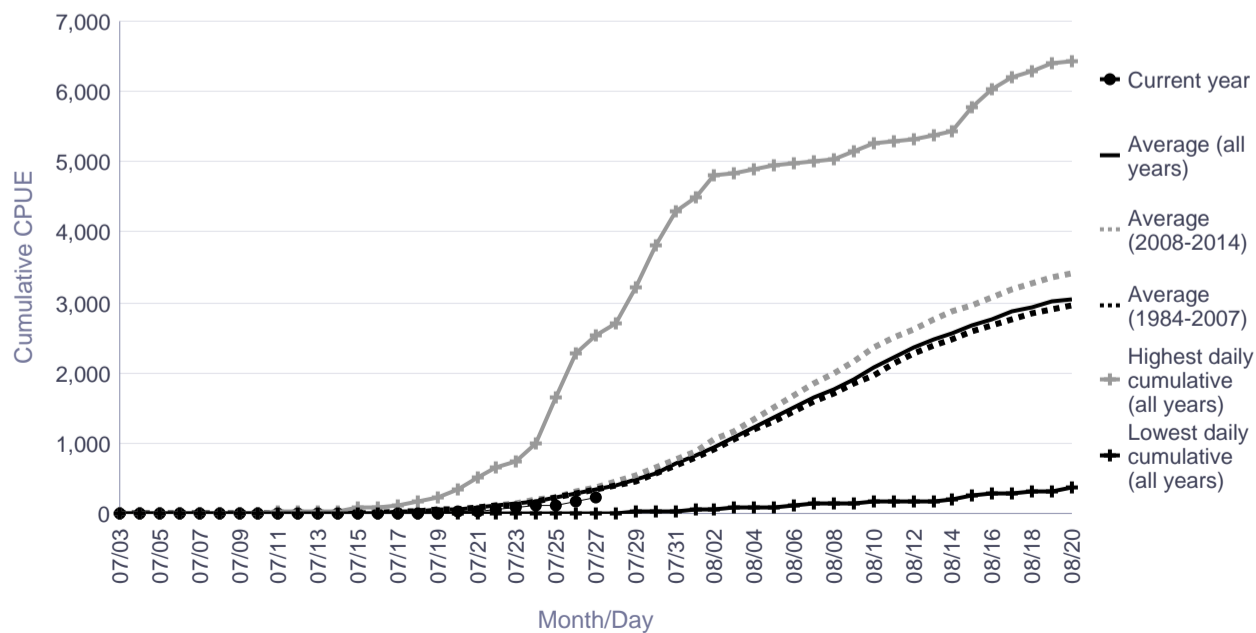
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07/21	0	89	90	85	529	41
07/22	2	115	114	121	649	60
07/23	2	138	133	160	746	91
07/24	6	173	166	199	986	112
07/25	9	230	226	246	1,661	127
07/26	9	285	280	303	2,276	174
07/27	11	339	332	362	2,532	240
07/28	13	404	389	455	2,702	
07/29	24	489	471	552	3,219	
07/30	30	582	562	649	3,817	
07/31	35	706	686	776	4,299	
08/01	48	830	810	897	4,485	
08/02	69	939	910	1,042	4,807	
08/03	77	1,091	1,066	1,176	4,845	
08/04	89	1,237	1,209	1,333	4,880	

	Lowest CPUE	Average CPUE (all years)	Average CPUE (1984-2007)	Average CPUE (2008-2014)	Highest CPUE
Season Total	423	3,294	3,203	3,606	7,183

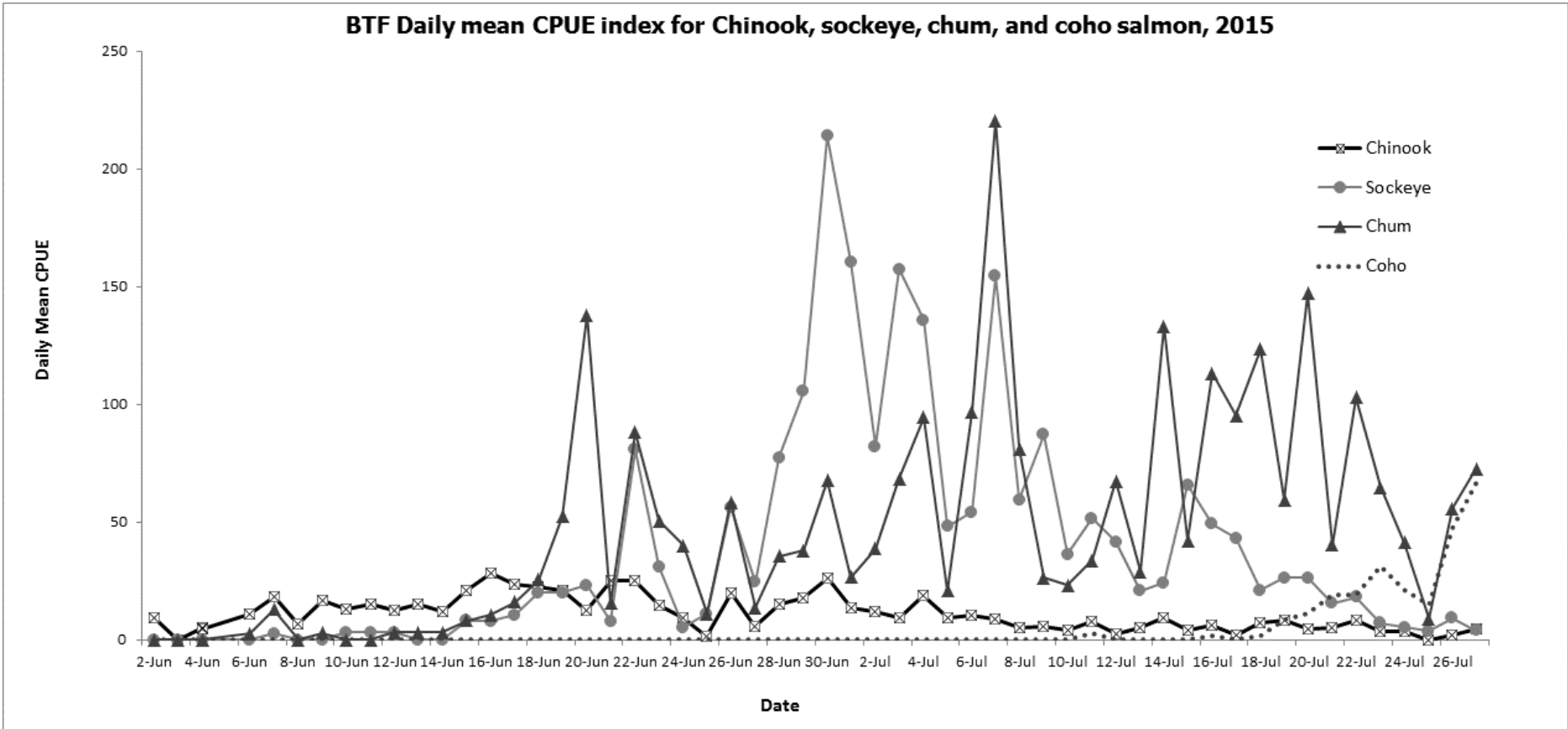
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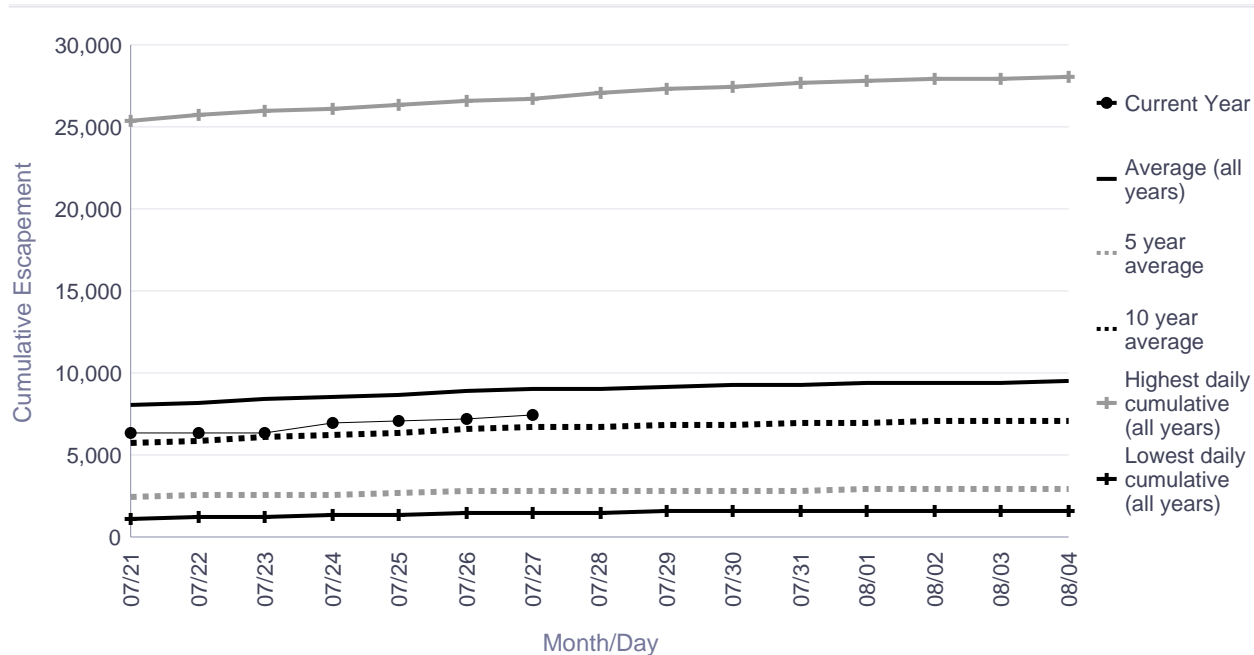
Kwethluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

Escapement Goal Range: 4,100 to 7,500

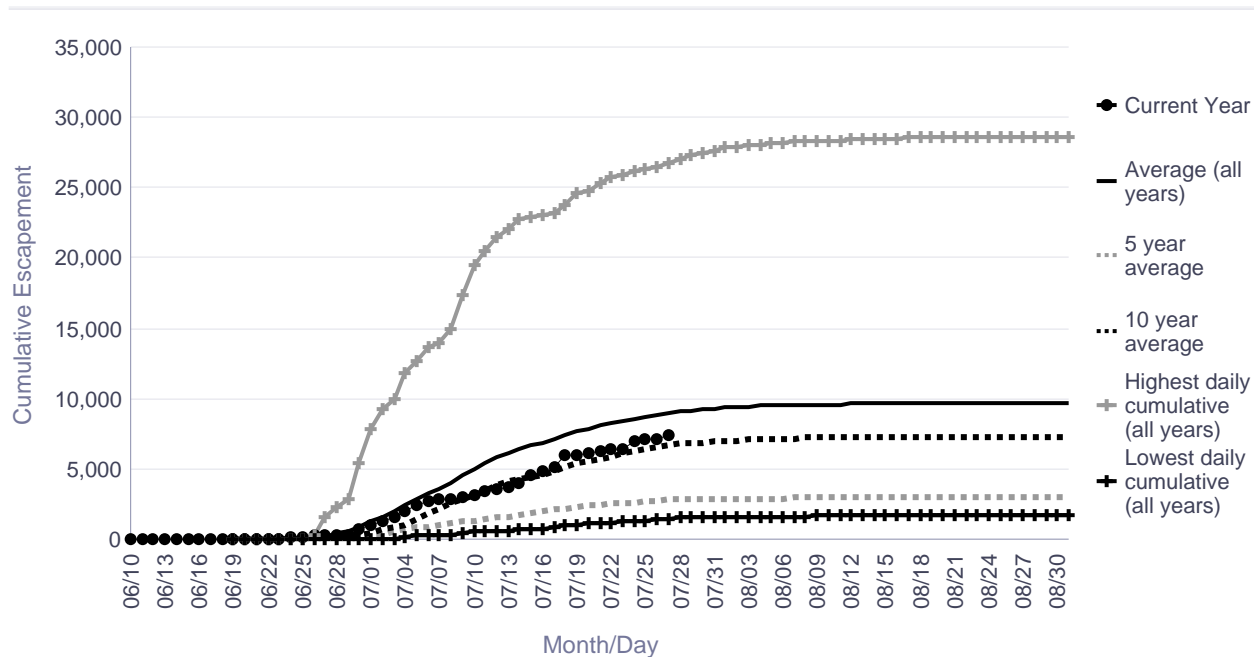
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	1,166	8,085	2,474	5,767	25,318	6,334
07/22	1,207	8,238	2,543	5,916	25,689	6,372
07/23	1,249	8,424	2,577	6,111	25,947	6,390
07/24	1,308	8,558	2,629	6,227	26,139	6,925
07/25	1,354	8,723	2,706	6,412	26,387	7,116
07/26	1,428	8,859	2,776	6,570	26,526	7,181
07/27	1,472	8,988	2,806	6,713	26,707	7,426
07/28	1,522	9,079	2,840	6,778	27,026	
07/29	1,552	9,166	2,861	6,854	27,263	
07/30	1,572	9,223	2,873	6,898	27,431	
07/31	1,578	9,296	2,878	6,938	27,623	
08/01	1,596	9,358	2,891	6,998	27,818	
08/02	1,617	9,410	2,905	7,054	27,892	
08/03	1,630	9,452	2,916	7,097	27,971	
08/04	1,633	9,484	2,924	7,131	28,036	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	1,668	9,609	2,978	7,214	28,605

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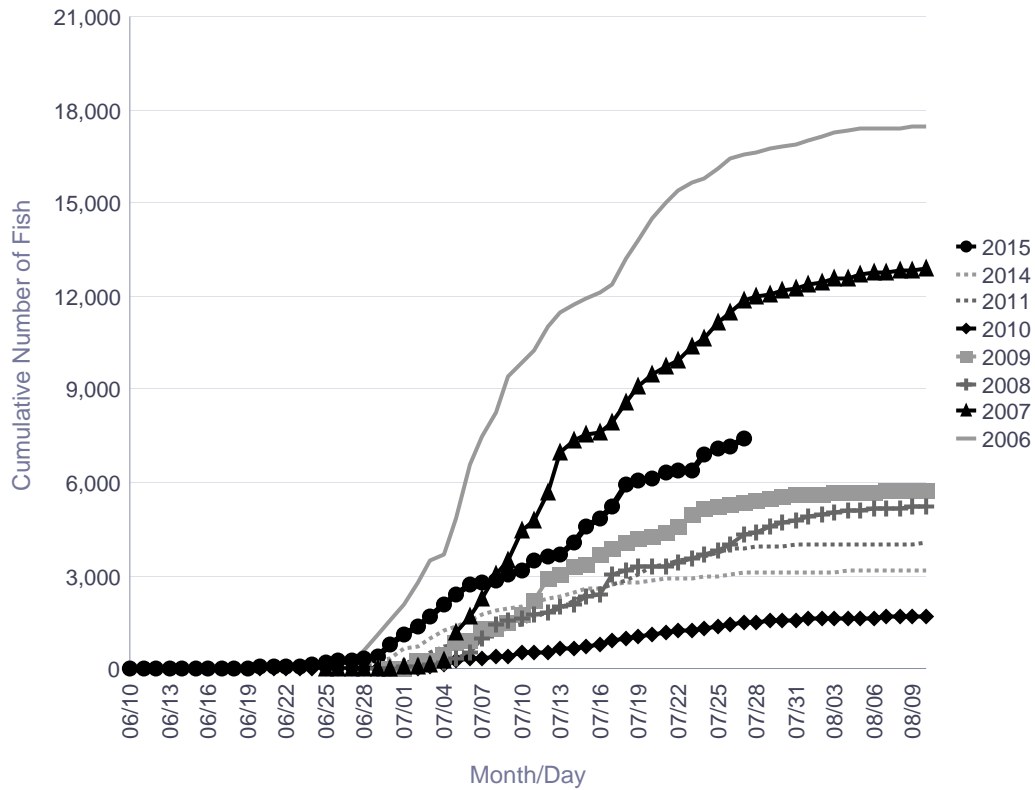
Kwethluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

Cumulative Daily Passage										
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	16,102	11,124	3,823	5,255	1,354	3,768			2,997	7,116
07/26	16,401	11,478	4,029	5,291	1,428	3,847			3,052	7,181
07/27	16,561	11,842	4,340	5,366	1,472	3,877			3,069	7,426
07/28	<u>16,645</u>	<u>11,988</u>	<u>4,401</u>	<u>5,428</u>	<u>1,522</u>	<u>3,922</u>			<u>3,075</u>	
07/29	16,768	12,072	4,599	5,494	1,552	3,956			3,076	
07/30	16,793	12,151	4,705	5,555	1,572	3,968			3,080	
07/31	16,861	12,250	4,776	5,586	1,578	3,971			3,084	
08/01	16,977	12,360	4,896	5,618	1,596	3,982			3,095	

Escapement Goal Range: 4,100 to 7,500
Highlighted years below are when escapement goal was achieved or exceeded.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	<u>17,619</u>	<u>12,927</u>	<u>5,276</u>	<u>5,744</u>	1,668	4,079			3,187	

Kwethluk River Chinook



There are no comments for the past three days.

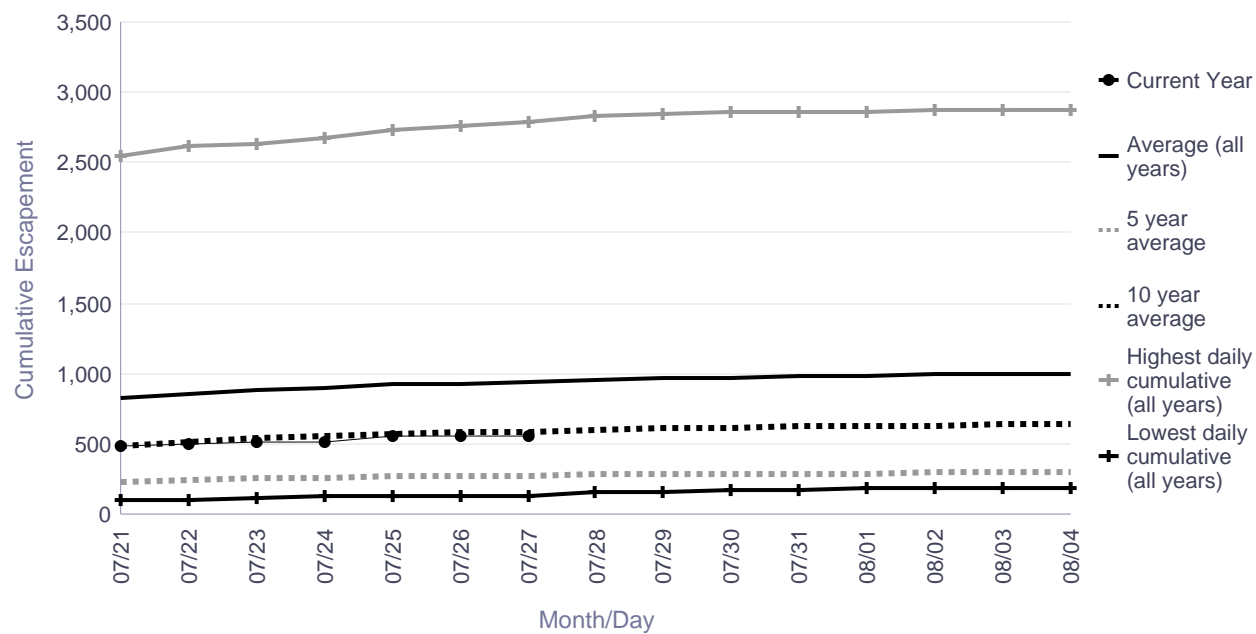
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Tuluksak River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

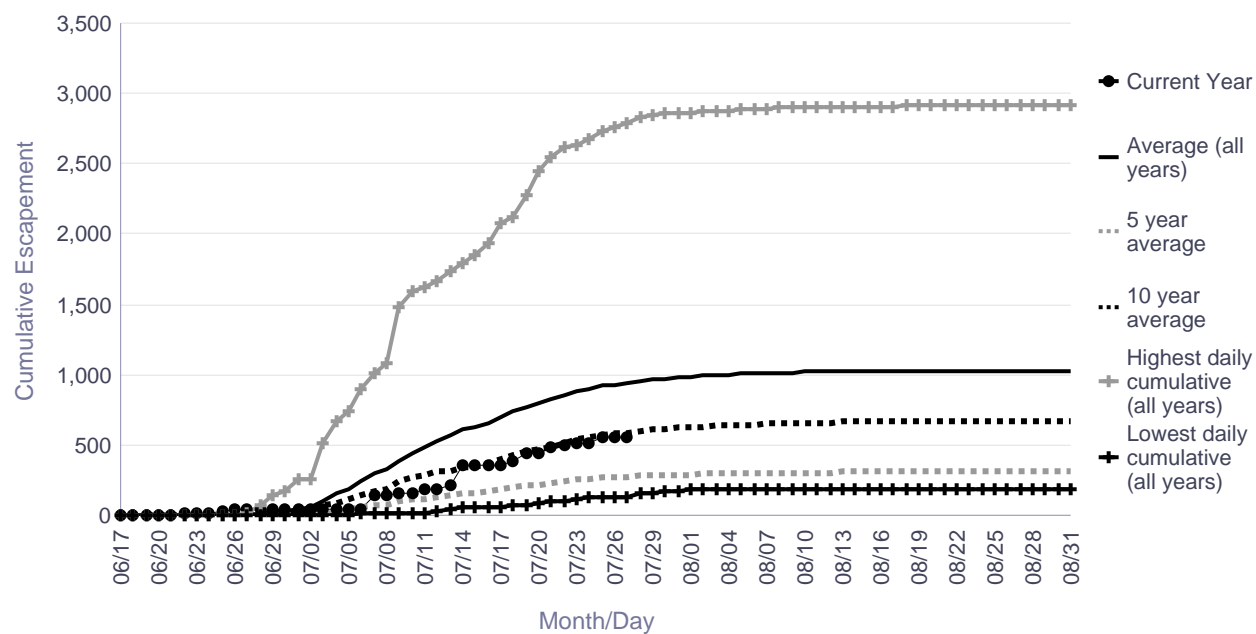
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	96	823	231	490	2,541	491
07/22	103	855	246	519	2,618	494
07/23	118	881	259	540	2,636	512
07/24	125	902	265	562	2,668	517
07/25	129	922	270	576	2,736	552
07/26	132	932	274	582	2,759	553
07/27	137	944	278	591	2,795	561
07/28	153	957	284	603	2,831	
07/29	162	966	287	609	2,840	
07/30	173	975	290	616	2,852	
07/31	179	983	292	623	2,854	
08/01	181	988	293	628	2,862	
08/02	183	993	294	633	2,867	
08/03	185	997	295	637	2,872	
08/04	185	1,000	296	640	2,876	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	193	1,027	311	669	2,918

Focused Two-Week Data View



Season Total Overview



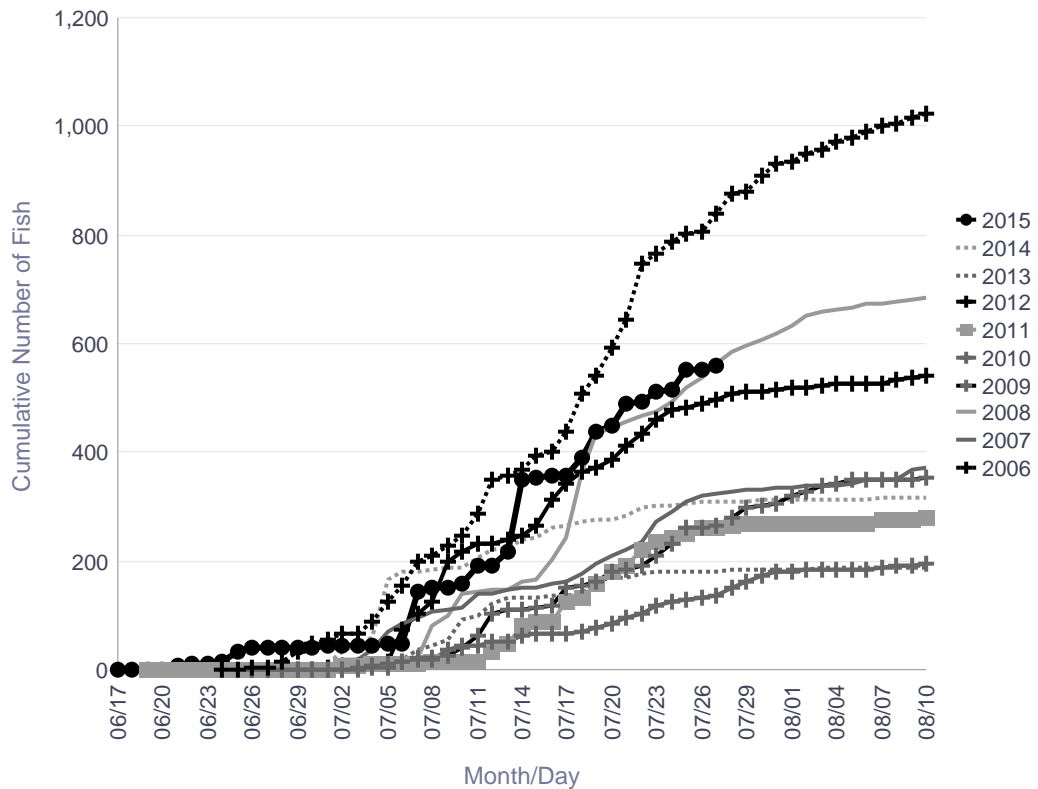
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Tuluksak River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	801	311	520	261	129	252	483	181	307	552
07/26	806	320	536	263	132	260	489	181	309	553
07/27	839	325	563	265	137	262	497	181	311	561
07/28	<u>877</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>586</u>	<u>280</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>265</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>183</u>	<u>311</u>	
07/29	879	330	598	299	162	268	513	183	311	
07/30	910	333	609	304	173	268	513	185	312	
07/31	931	334	620	306	179	268	514	185	313	
08/01	935	337	634	321	181	269	519	185	313	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	1,043	374	701	362	201	284	555	193	320	

Tuluksak River Chinook



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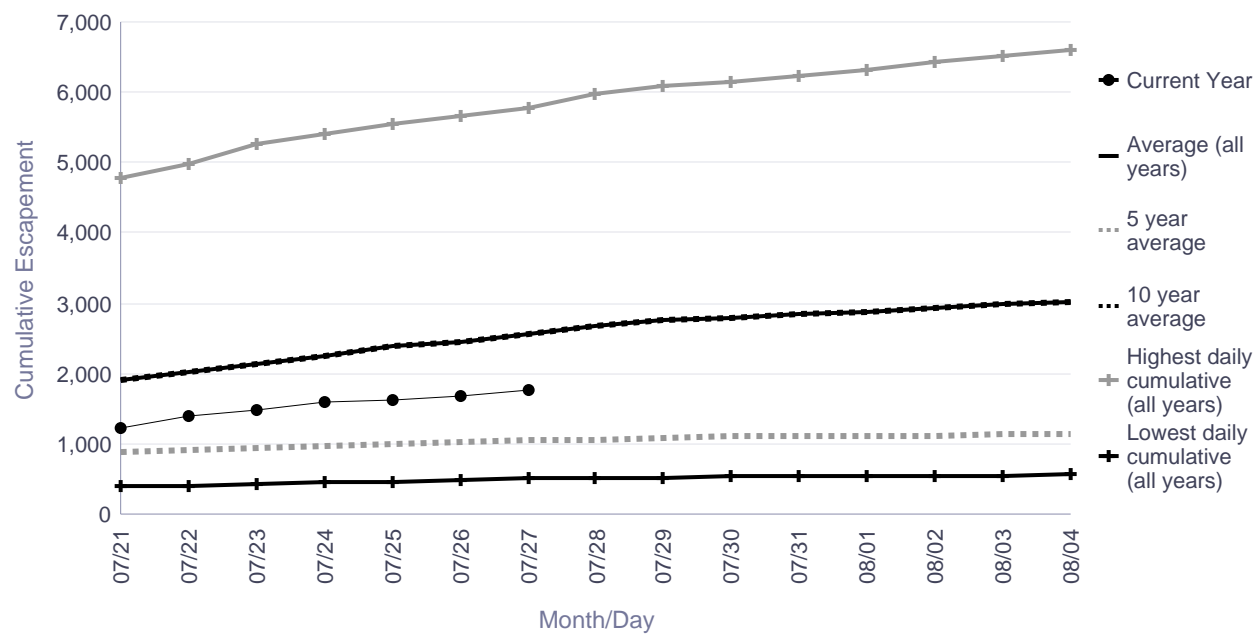
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Salmon River (Aniak) Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

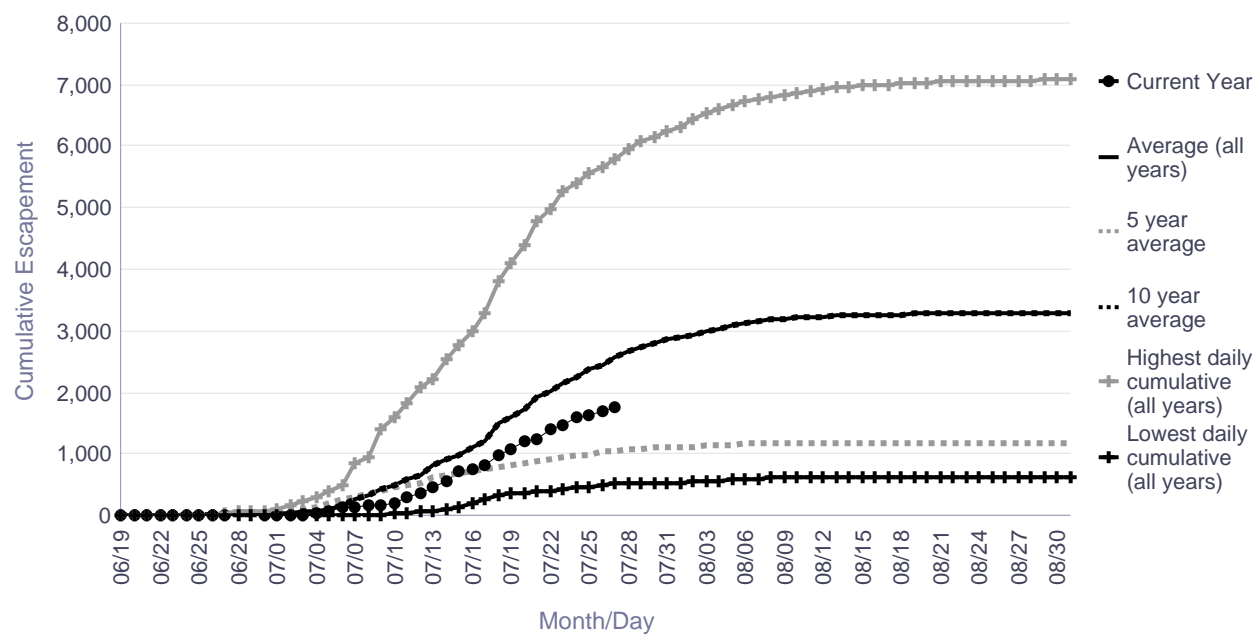
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	390	1,907	881	1,907	4,769	1,234
07/22	405	2,026	907	2,026	4,987	1,396
07/23	426	2,146	943	2,146	5,260	1,480
07/24	448	2,255	971	2,255	5,396	1,586
07/25	451	2,379	996	2,379	5,551	1,638
07/26	497	2,458	1,031	2,458	5,655	1,693
07/27	514	2,559	1,052	2,559	5,773	1,755
07/28	518	2,685	1,068	2,685	5,966	
07/29	525	2,750	1,089	2,750	6,090	
07/30	531	2,793	1,103	2,793	6,154	
07/31	536	2,850	1,112	2,850	6,236	
08/01	540	2,889	1,120	2,889	6,311	
08/02	545	2,935	1,125	2,935	6,425	
08/03	550	2,985	1,129	2,985	6,527	
08/04	565	3,018	1,141	3,018	6,611	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	625	3,291	1,191	3,291	7,075

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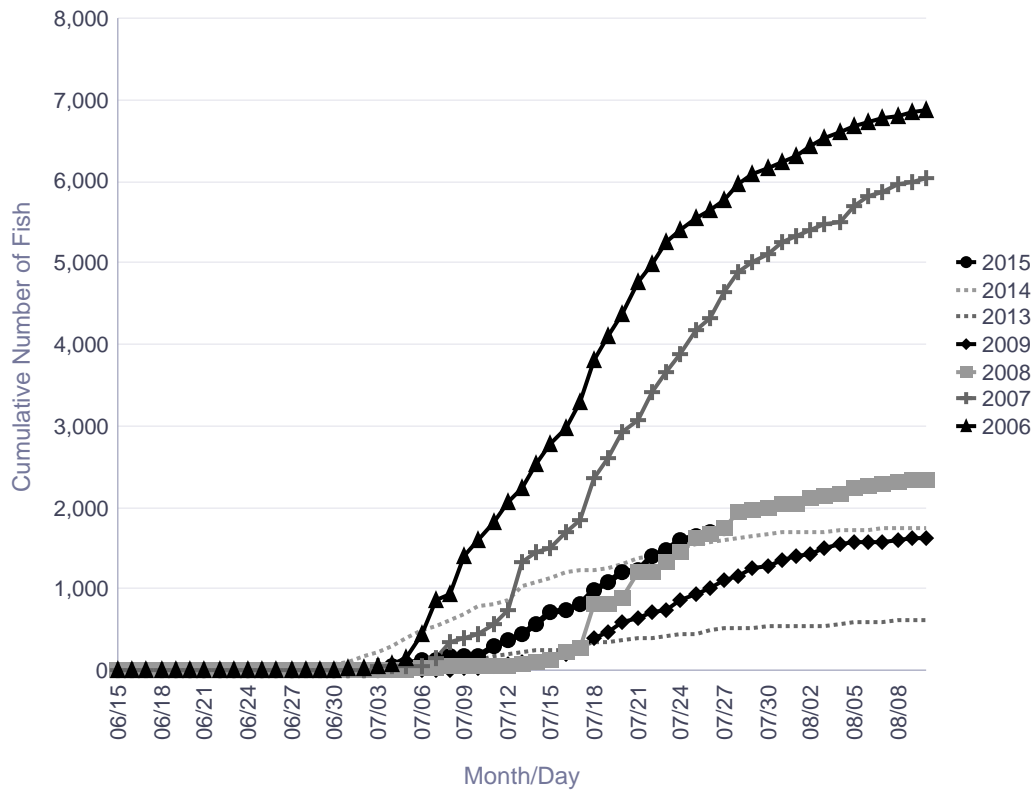
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Salmon River (Aniak) Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	5,551	4,167	1,629	936				451	1,541	1,638
07/26	5,655	4,332	1,676	1,021				497	1,565	1,693
07/27	5,773	4,642	1,736	1,096				514	1,590	1,755
07/28	5,966	4,895	1,952	1,160				518	1,617	
07/29	6,090	4,996	1,971	1,263				525	1,653	
07/30	6,154	5,116	1,995	1,288				531	1,674	
07/31	6,236	5,243	2,036	1,359				536	1,688	
08/01	6,311	5,338	2,051	1,396				540	1,700	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	7,075	6,255	2,376	1,656				625	1,757	

Salmon River (Aniak) Chinook



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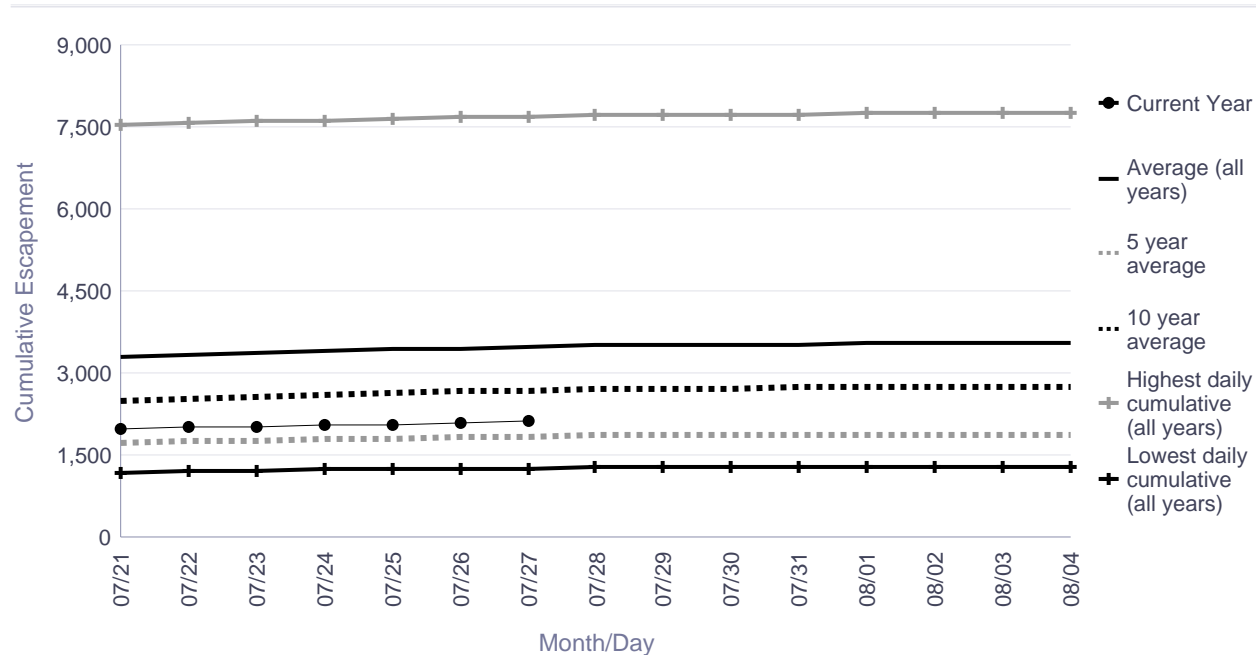
George River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

Escapement Goal Range: 1,800 to 3,300

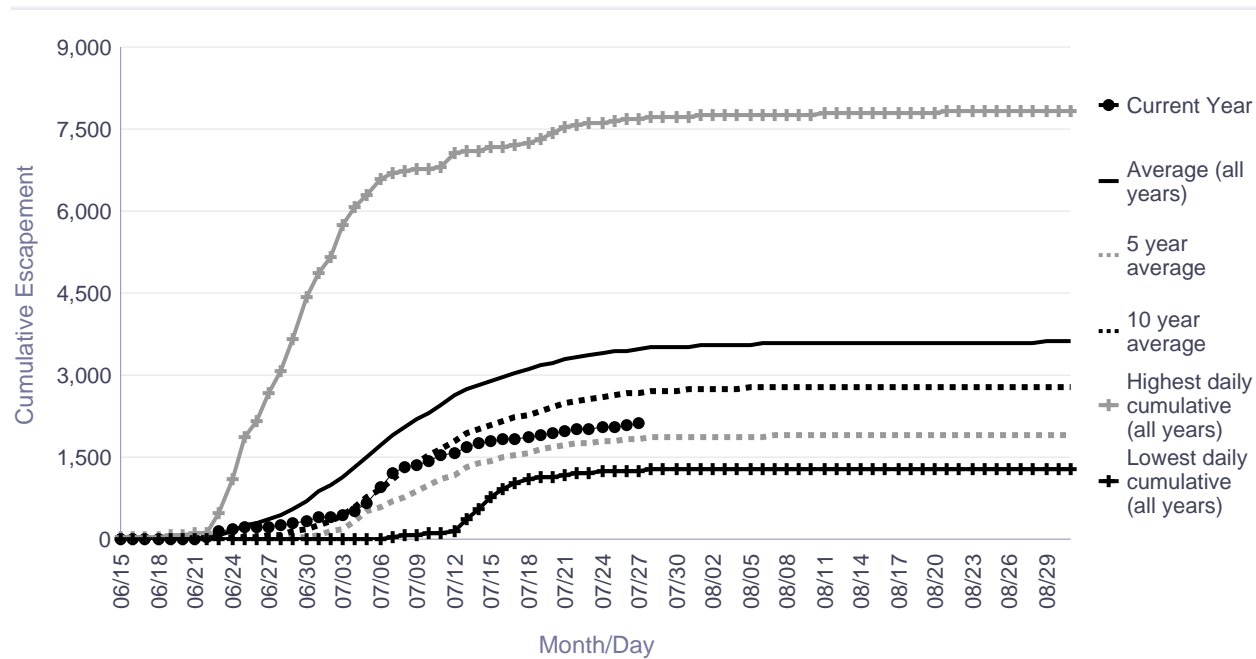
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	1,193	3,297	1,717	2,494	7,519	1,975
07/22	1,214	3,332	1,745	2,528	7,568	2,004
07/23	1,230	3,378	1,763	2,580	7,600	2,025
07/24	1,240	3,404	1,788	2,608	7,607	2,048
07/25	1,251	3,435	1,814	2,643	7,648	2,065
07/26	1,260	3,458	1,827	2,665	7,666	2,083
07/27	1,264	3,479	1,843	2,685	7,675	2,112
07/28	1,272	3,498	1,855	2,702	7,700	
07/29	1,273	3,511	1,862	2,716	7,707	
07/30	1,275	3,519	1,866	2,723	7,720	
07/31	1,276	3,531	1,872	2,732	7,733	
08/01	1,279	3,541	1,877	2,743	7,737	
08/02	1,280	3,549	1,879	2,748	7,742	
08/03	1,283	3,556	1,884	2,755	7,749	
08/04	1,283	3,562	1,885	2,760	7,753	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	1,292	3,607	1,906	2,797	7,810

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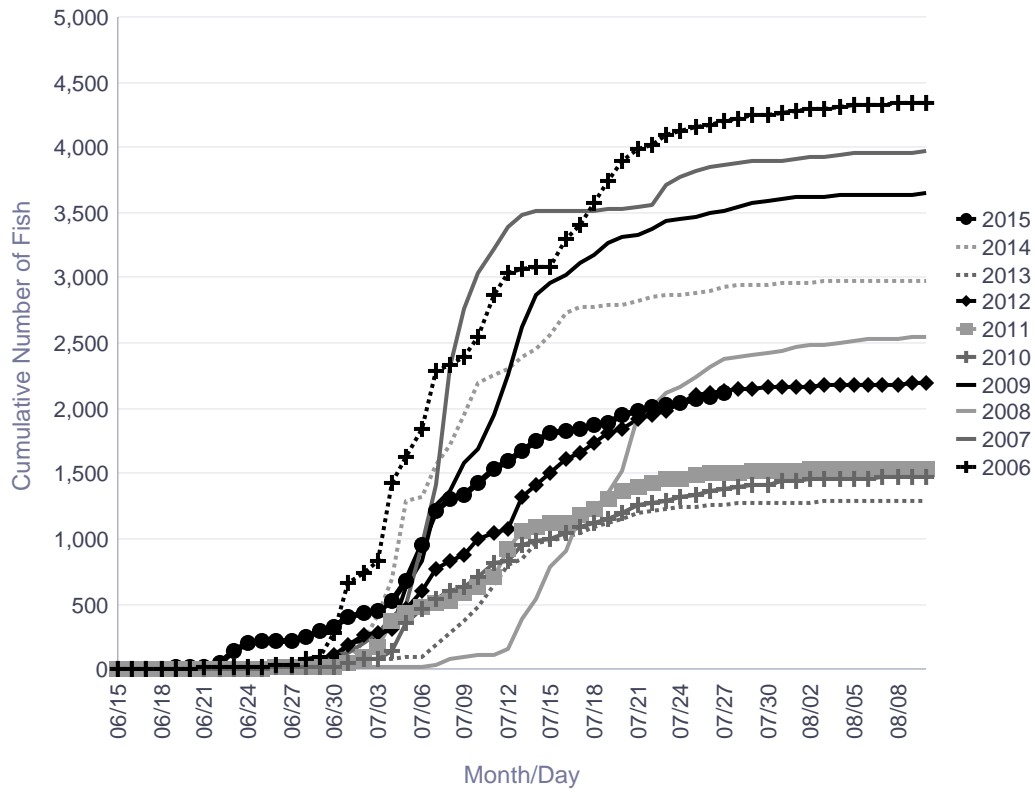
George River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	4,152	3,823	2,246	3,468	1,342	1,488	2,099	1,251	2,889	2,065
07/26	4,170	3,845	2,316	3,502	1,366	1,498	2,110	1,260	2,902	2,083
07/27	4,195	3,859	2,372	3,508	1,375	1,505	2,136	1,264	2,933	2,112
07/28	<u>4,214</u>	<u>3,880</u>	<u>2,392</u>	<u>3,539</u>	<u>1,402</u>	<u>1,510</u>	<u>2,152</u>	<u>1,272</u>	<u>2,941</u>	
07/29	4,242	3,891	2,406	3,579	1,415	1,516	2,156	1,273	2,948	
07/30	4,253	3,897	2,419	3,582	1,420	1,521	2,160	1,275	2,953	
07/31	4,267	3,901	2,437	3,603	1,437	1,523	2,166	1,276	2,956	
08/01	4,284	3,907	2,472	3,616	1,449	1,527	2,166	1,279	2,963	

Escapement Goal Range: 1,800 to 3,300
 Highlighted years below are when escapement goal was achieved or exceeded.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	<u>4,355</u>	<u>4,011</u>	<u>2,563</u>	<u>3,663</u>	1,498	1,547	<u>2,201</u>	1,292	<u>2,993</u>	

George River Chinook



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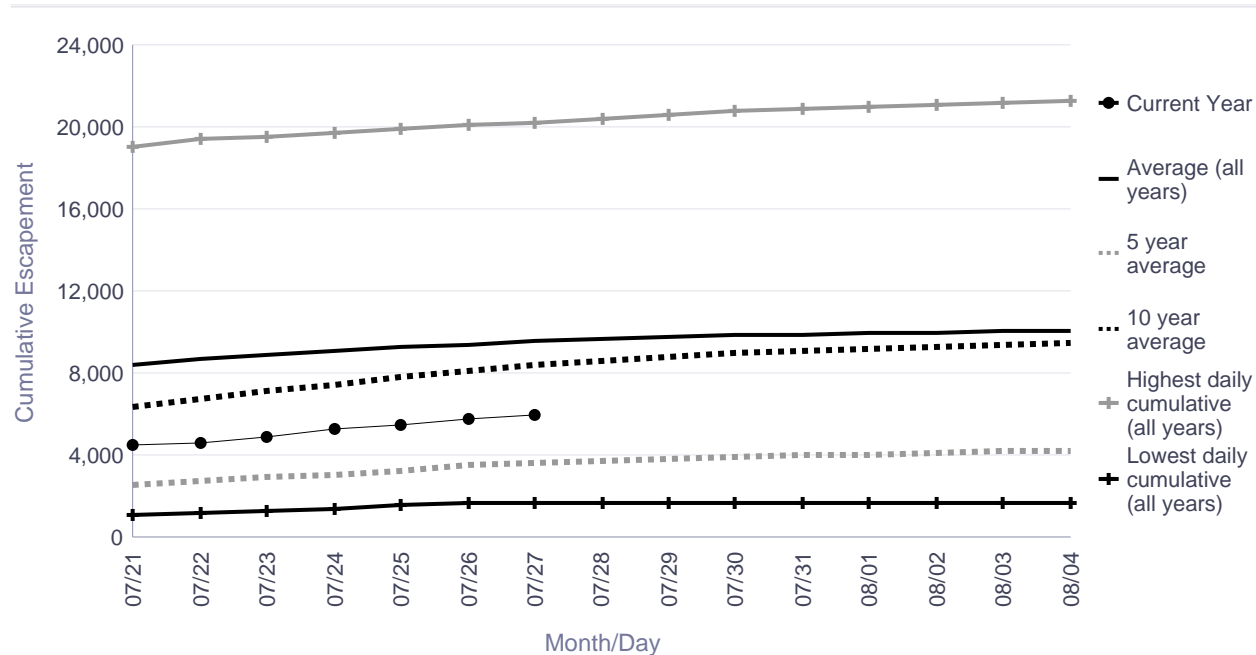
Kogrukluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

Escapement Goal Range: 4,800 to 8,800

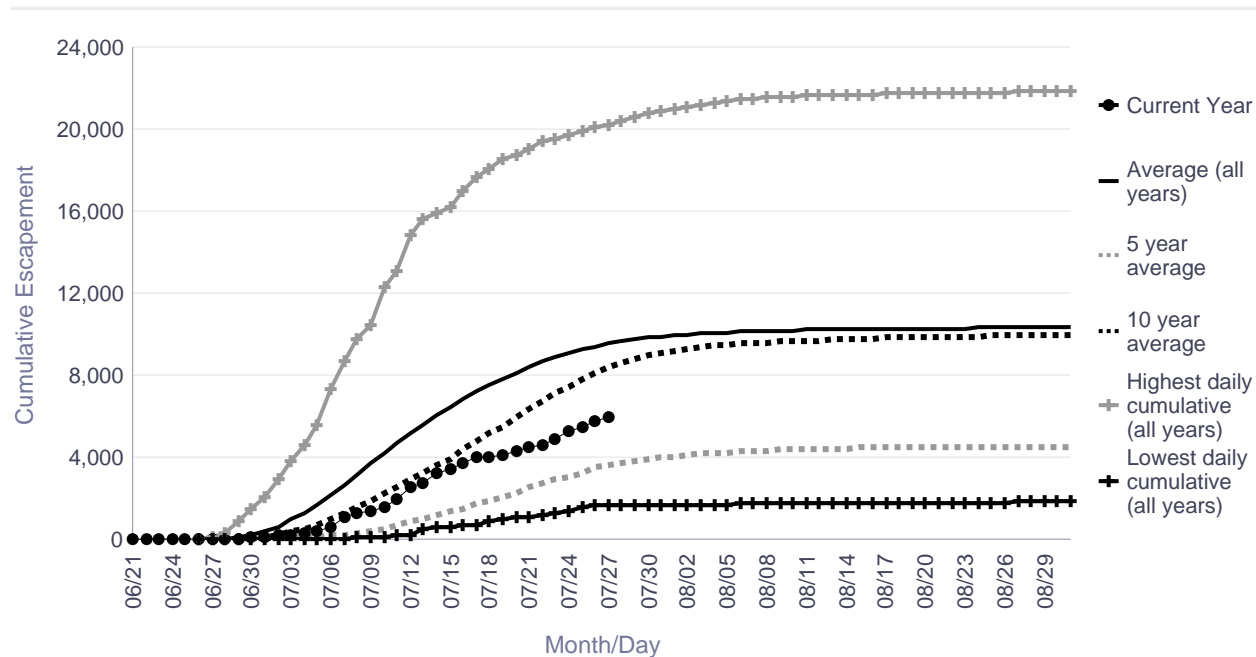
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	1,113	8,442	2,511	6,370	19,034	4,462
07/22	1,208	8,683	2,777	6,740	19,396	4,584
07/23	1,321	8,889	2,934	7,148	19,547	4,856
07/24	1,361	9,065	3,081	7,442	19,681	5,275
07/25	1,559	9,251	3,276	7,808	19,901	5,470
07/26	1,629	9,398	3,477	8,130	20,060	5,726
07/27	1,648	9,523	3,607	8,370	20,195	5,986
07/28	1,654	9,634	3,711	8,599	20,362	
07/29	1,655	9,735	3,850	8,811	20,597	
07/30	1,666	9,810	3,917	8,944	20,764	
07/31	1,678	9,872	3,969	9,061	20,896	
08/01	1,688	9,922	4,033	9,158	20,977	
08/02	1,692	9,971	4,088	9,254	21,108	
08/03	1,702	10,020	4,163	9,352	21,212	
08/04	1,719	10,058	4,211	9,421	21,310	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	1,819	10,316	4,524	9,925	21,819

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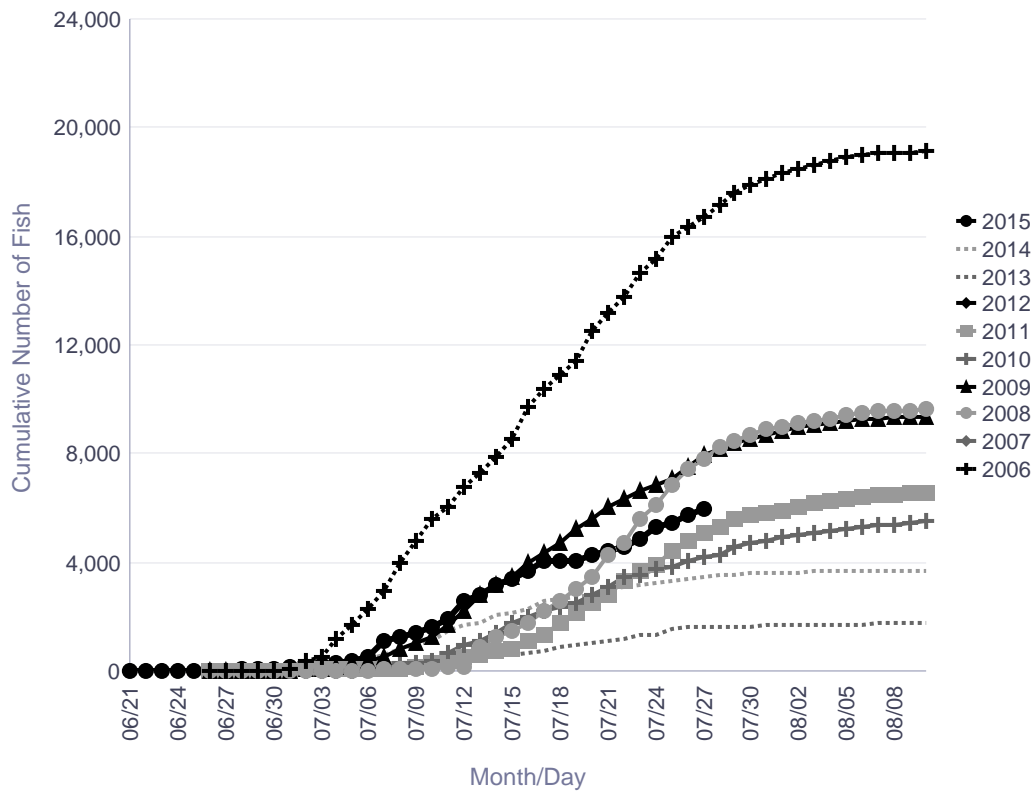
Kogrukluk River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	16,005		6,845	7,079	3,823	4,397		1,559	3,323	5,470
07/26	16,375		7,449	7,540	4,061	4,810		1,629	3,408	5,726
07/27	16,725		7,810	7,956	4,185	5,113		1,648	3,482	5,986
07/28	<u>17,170</u>		<u>8,221</u>	<u>8,193</u>	<u>4,305</u>	<u>5,343</u>		<u>1,654</u>	<u>3,540</u>	
07/29	17,588		8,507	8,396	4,568	5,628		1,655	3,548	
07/30	17,862		8,687	8,568	4,692	5,723		1,666	3,587	
07/31	18,111		8,880	8,722	4,805	5,795		1,678	3,597	
08/01	18,297		9,002	8,860	4,908	5,911		1,688	3,623	

Escapement Goal Range: 4,800 to 8,800
 Highlighted years below are when escapement goal was achieved or exceeded.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	<u>20,205</u>		<u>9,750</u>	<u>9,528</u>	<u>5,812</u>	<u>6,731</u>		1,819	3,732	

Kogrukluk River Chinook



There are no comments for the past three days.

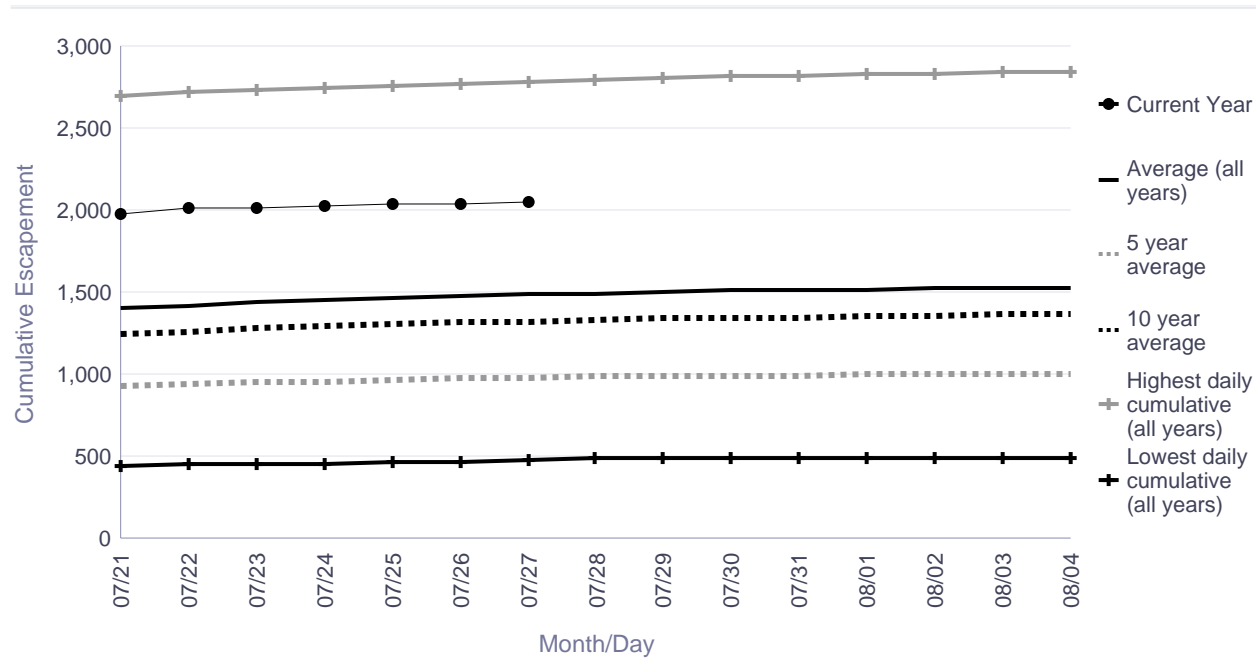
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Tatlawiksuk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

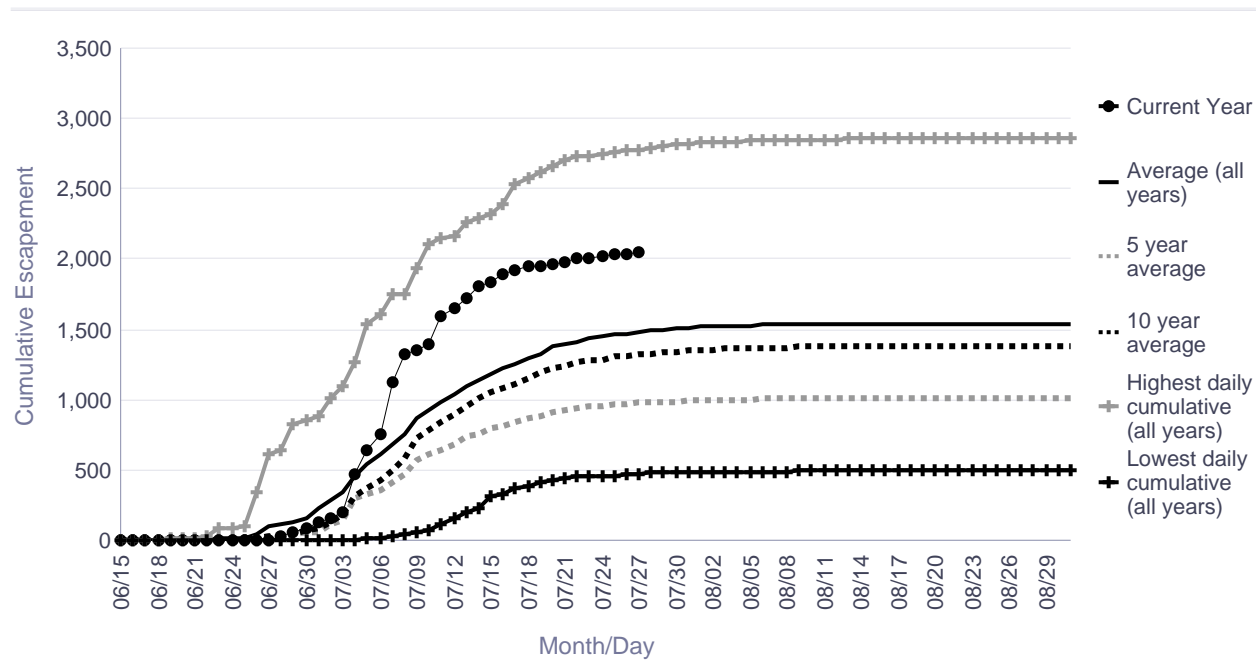
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	444	1,398	931	1,244	2,700	1,980
07/22	450	1,416	944	1,262	2,724	2,007
07/23	454	1,434	953	1,275	2,734	2,013
07/24	458	1,448	958	1,288	2,749	2,021
07/25	462	1,463	965	1,303	2,760	2,031
07/26	465	1,473	973	1,313	2,771	2,036
07/27	478	1,484	979	1,321	2,776	2,046
07/28	484	1,494	984	1,330	2,788	
07/29	485	1,502	987	1,337	2,802	
07/30	485	1,507	990	1,343	2,814	
07/31	485	1,512	992	1,347	2,822	
08/01	490	1,516	995	1,352	2,825	
08/02	491	1,521	999	1,358	2,832	
08/03	491	1,524	1,001	1,362	2,837	
08/04	491	1,527	1,003	1,365	2,837	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	495	1,542	1,011	1,380	2,864

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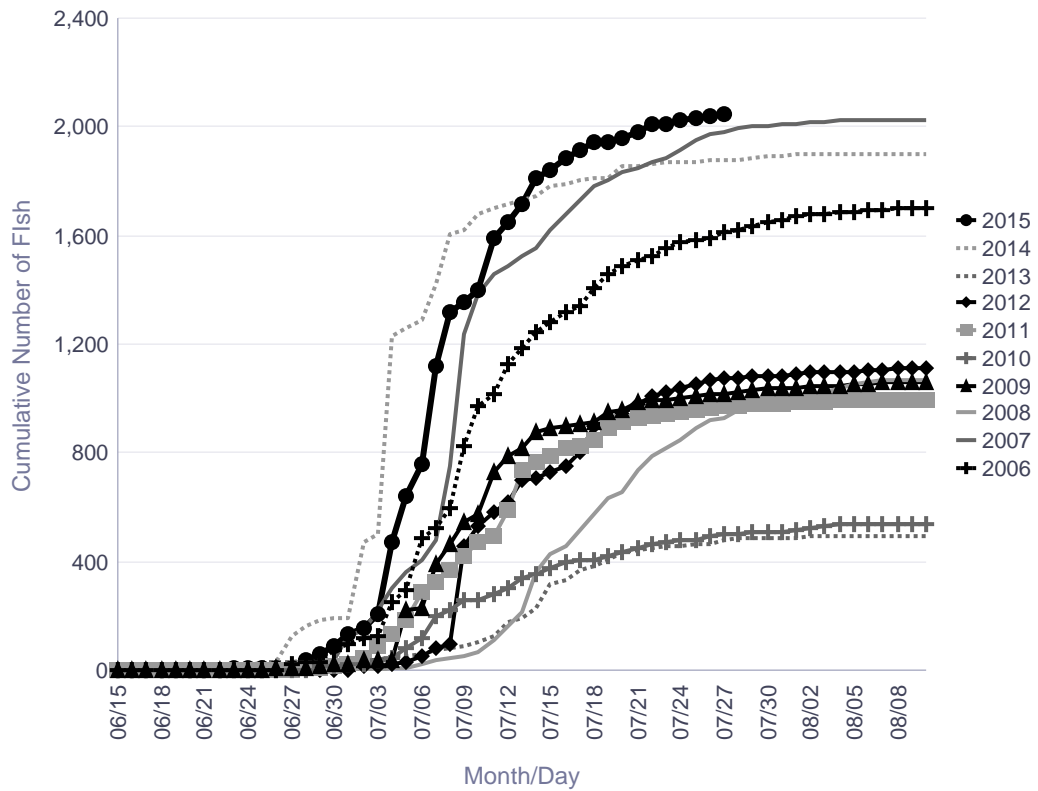
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Tatlawiksuk River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	1,586	1,953	894	1,009	482	956	1,053	462	1,872	2,031
07/26	1,591	1,971	921	1,014	493	964	1,070	465	1,875	2,036
07/27	1,611	1,982	930	1,017	499	969	1,072	478	1,878	2,046
07/28	1,619	1,993	957	1,024	505	973	1,079	484	1,881	
07/29	1,636	1,999	968	1,032	506	978	1,081	485	1,886	
07/30	1,647	2,004	976	1,036	510	980	1,085	485	1,890	
07/31	1,657	2,009	987	1,039	512	981	1,085	485	1,895	
08/01	1,668	2,013	1,001	1,041	516	985	1,090	490	1,896	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	1,700	2,032	1,075	1,071	546	992	1,116	495	1,904	

Tatlawiksuk River Chinook



There are no comments for the past three days.

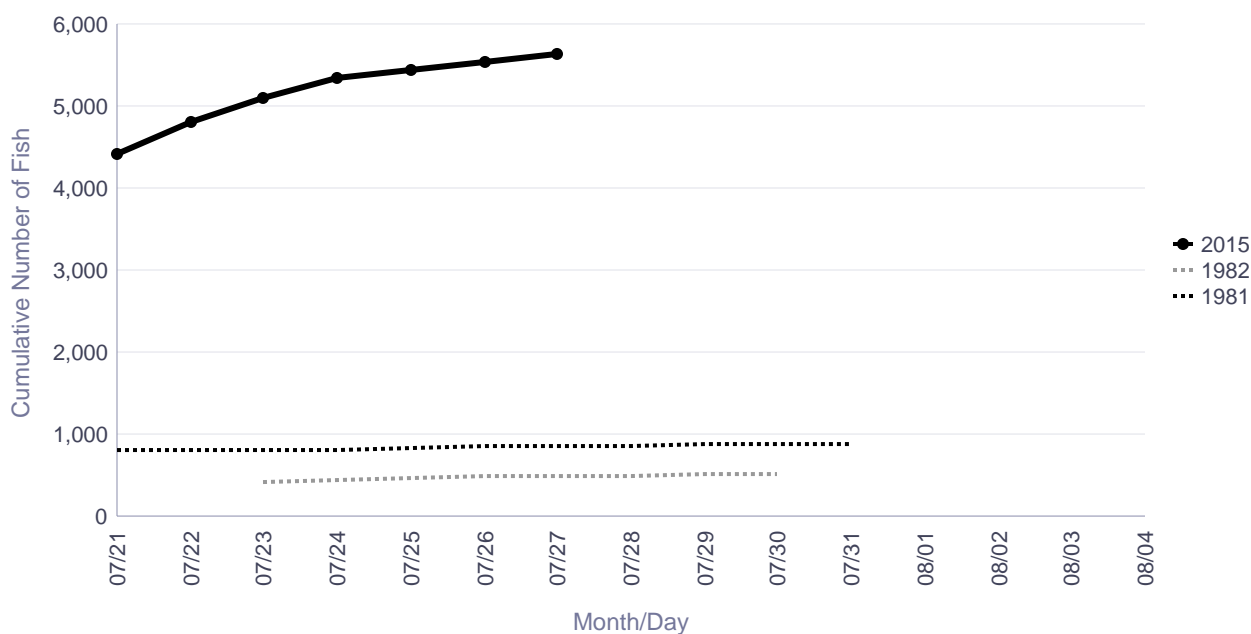
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Salmon River (Pitka Fork) Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chinook Salmon

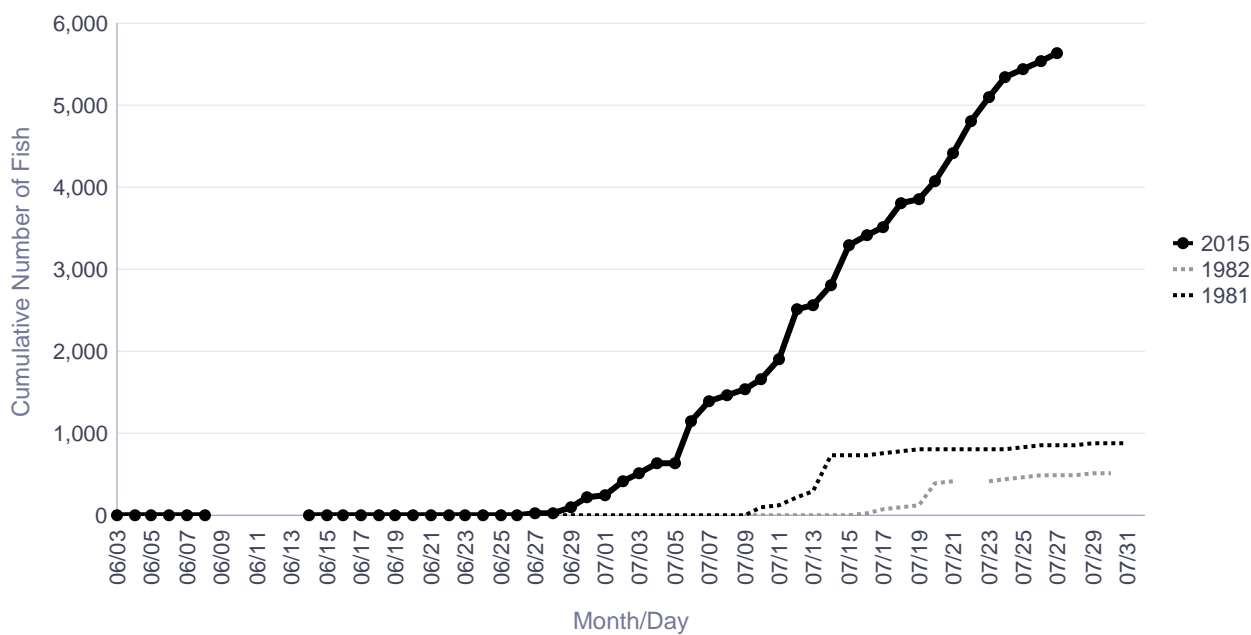
	Cumulative Daily Passage		
Date	1981	1982	2015
07/21	800	428	4,415
07/22	800		4,813
07/23	802	428	5,093
07/24	820	442	5,336
07/25	840	458	5,443
07/26	851	483	5,543
07/27	861	490	5,620
07/28	866	503	
07/29	873	505	
07/30	875	511	
07/31	877		
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	1981	1982	2015
Season Total	877	511	

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Season Total Overview



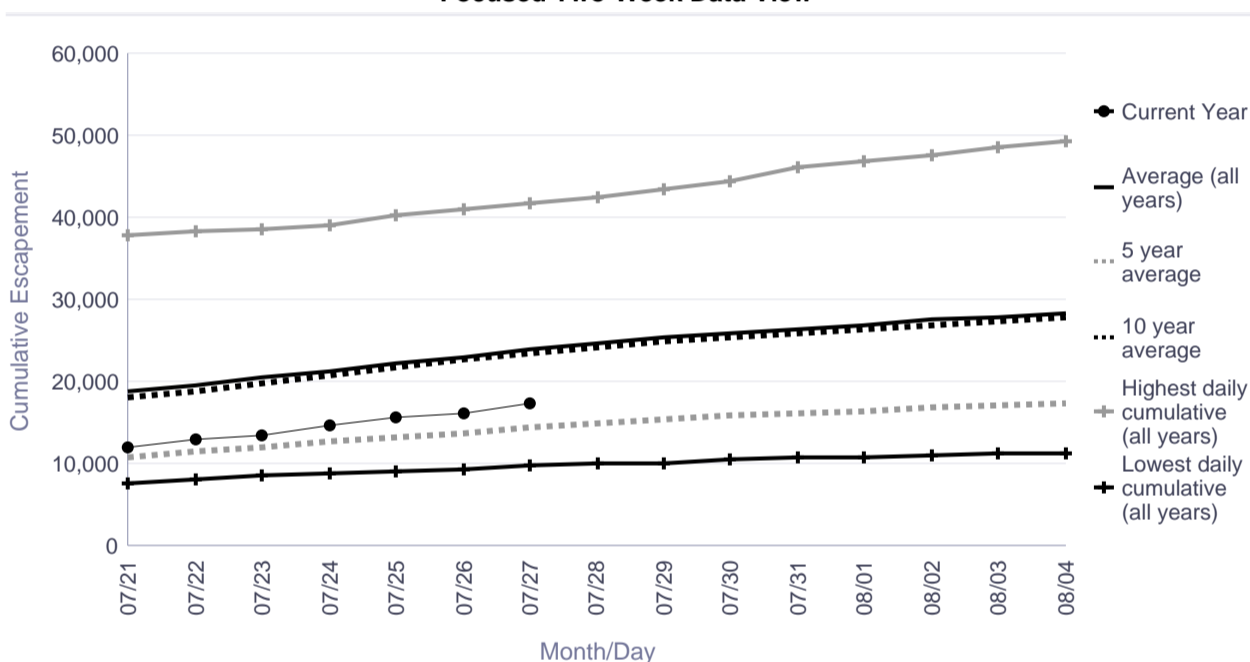
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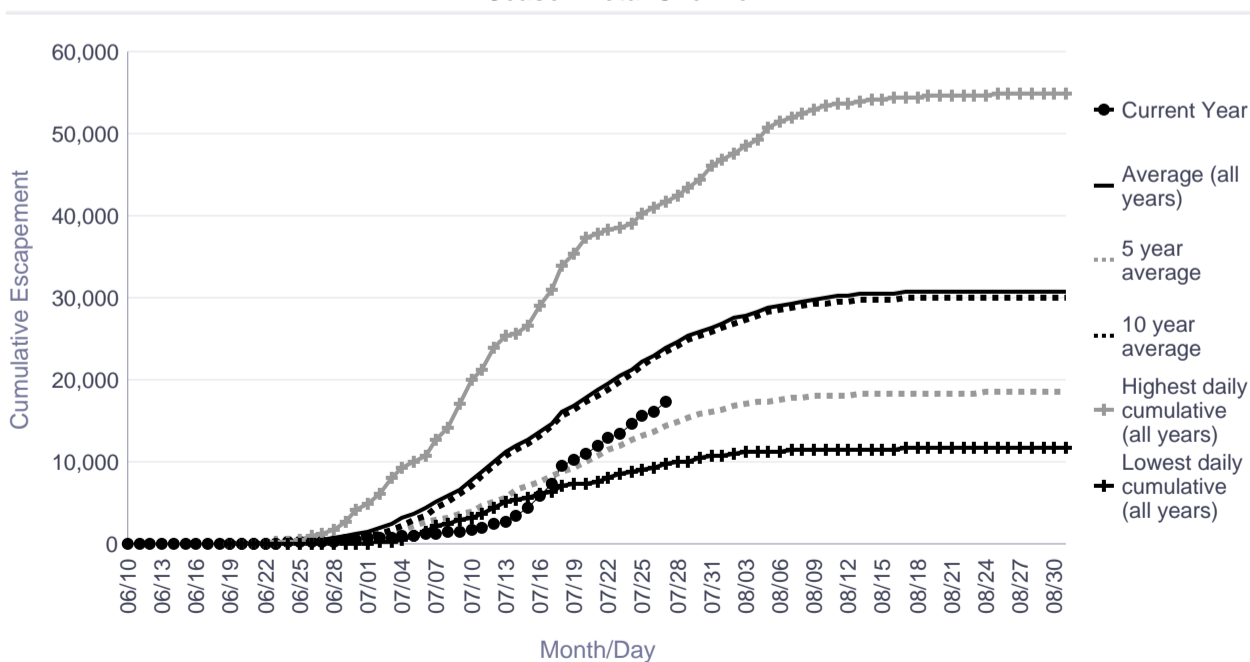
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	7,701	18,690	10,865	18,003	37,706	12,080
07/22	8,122	19,444	11,578	18,742	38,285	12,867
07/23	8,590	20,441	11,957	19,792	38,513	13,489
07/24	8,807	21,320	12,590	20,757	38,913	14,734
07/25	9,015	22,214	13,173	21,724	40,246	15,623
07/26	9,346	23,055	13,792	22,629	41,025	16,169
07/27	9,711	23,864	14,415	23,500	41,681	17,339
07/28	9,928	24,566	15,012	24,165	42,419	
07/29	10,129	25,306	15,386	24,804	43,514	
07/30	10,426	25,868	15,762	25,304	44,489	
07/31	10,674	26,415	16,008	25,817	46,067	
08/01	10,829	26,952	16,353	26,344	46,805	
08/02	10,972	27,503	16,752	26,895	47,653	
08/03	11,127	27,923	17,014	27,326	48,471	
08/04	11,224	28,340	17,288	27,824	49,247	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	11,691	30,726	18,497	30,017	54,913

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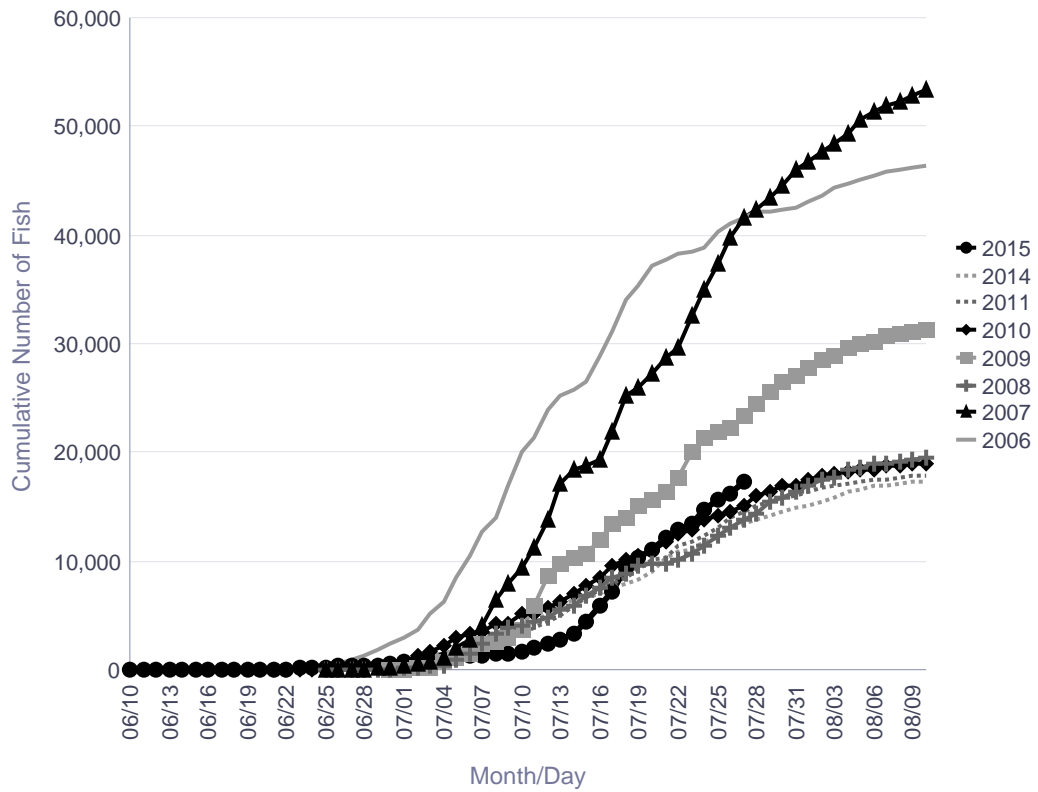
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Kwethluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

Cumulative Daily Passage										
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	40,246	37,397	12,284	21,836	14,125	13,158			12,203	15,623
07/26	41,025	39,797	13,134	22,284	14,585	13,924			12,833	16,169
07/27	41,681	41,597	13,783	23,409	15,114	14,601			13,495	17,339
07/28	42,066	42,419	14,392	24,452	15,995	15,158			13,849	
07/29	42,230	43,514	15,420	25,516	16,453	15,555			14,115	
07/30	42,293	44,489	15,811	26,461	16,896	15,844			14,513	
07/31	42,487	46,067	16,370	26,984	17,023	16,009			14,958	
08/01	43,000	46,805	16,915	27,844	17,413	16,423			15,189	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	47,491	54,913	20,030	32,191	19,222	18,329			17,941	

Kwethluk River Chum



There are no comments for the past three days.

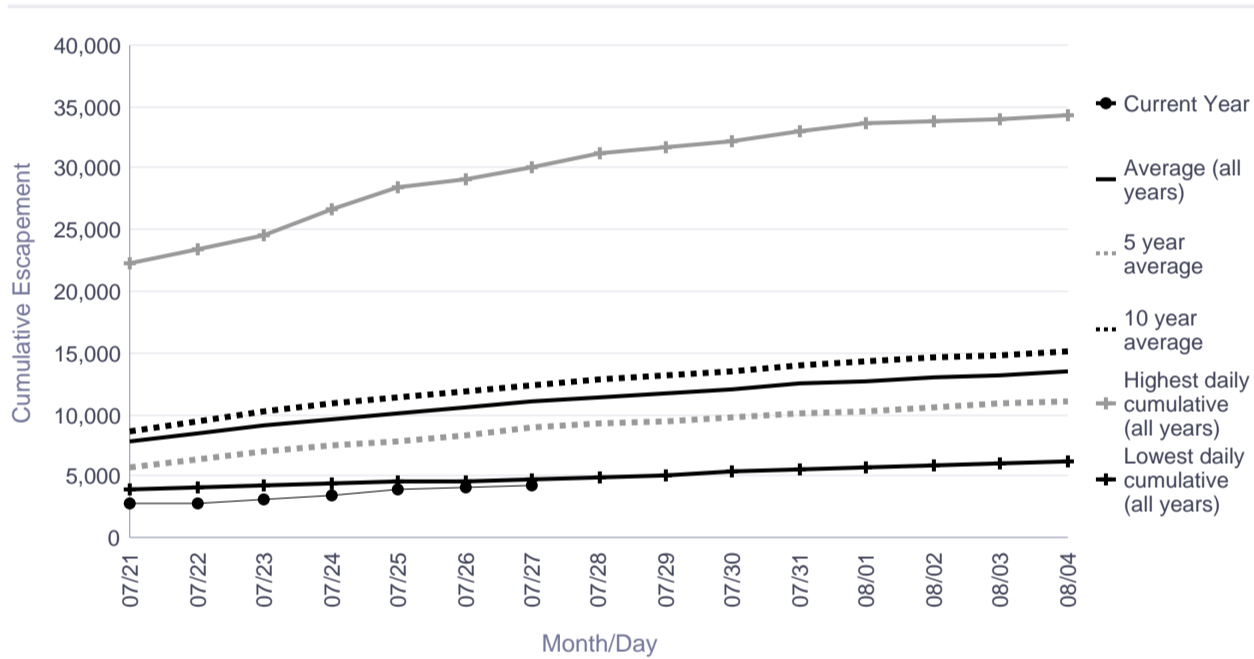
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Tuluksak River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

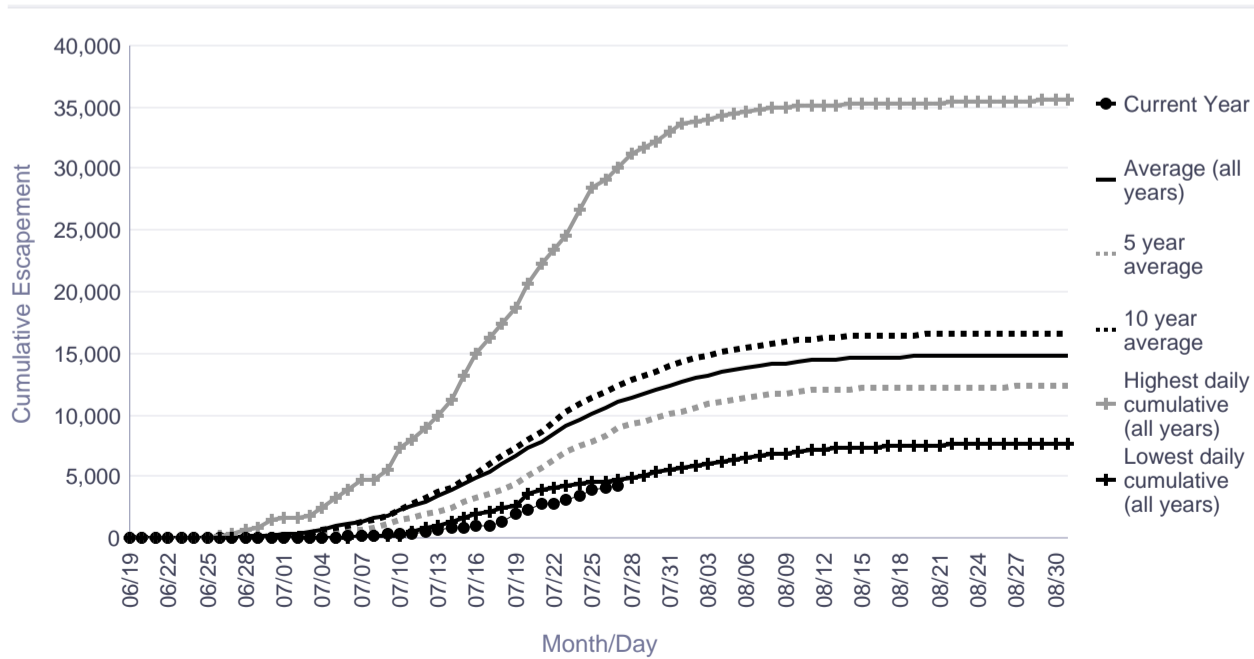
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	3,848	7,851	5,680	8,702	22,306	2,749
07/22	4,102	8,444	6,407	9,424	23,384	2,840
07/23	4,256	9,092	7,081	10,200	24,520	3,079
07/24	4,380	9,623	7,500	10,884	26,610	3,432
07/25	4,535	10,114	7,882	11,395	28,407	3,876
07/26	4,642	10,536	8,385	11,861	29,100	4,014
07/27	4,736	11,006	8,918	12,412	30,075	4,237
07/28	4,878	11,459	9,270	12,895	31,252	
07/29	5,138	11,793	9,522	13,215	31,712	
07/30	5,388	12,110	9,785	13,581	32,198	
07/31	5,546	12,452	10,069	13,959	33,002	
08/01	5,677	12,747	10,291	14,294	33,648	
08/02	5,816	12,991	10,573	14,580	33,869	
08/03	6,006	13,225	10,857	14,867	34,032	
08/04	6,174	13,442	11,072	15,114	34,305	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	7,675	14,872	12,334	16,653	35,696

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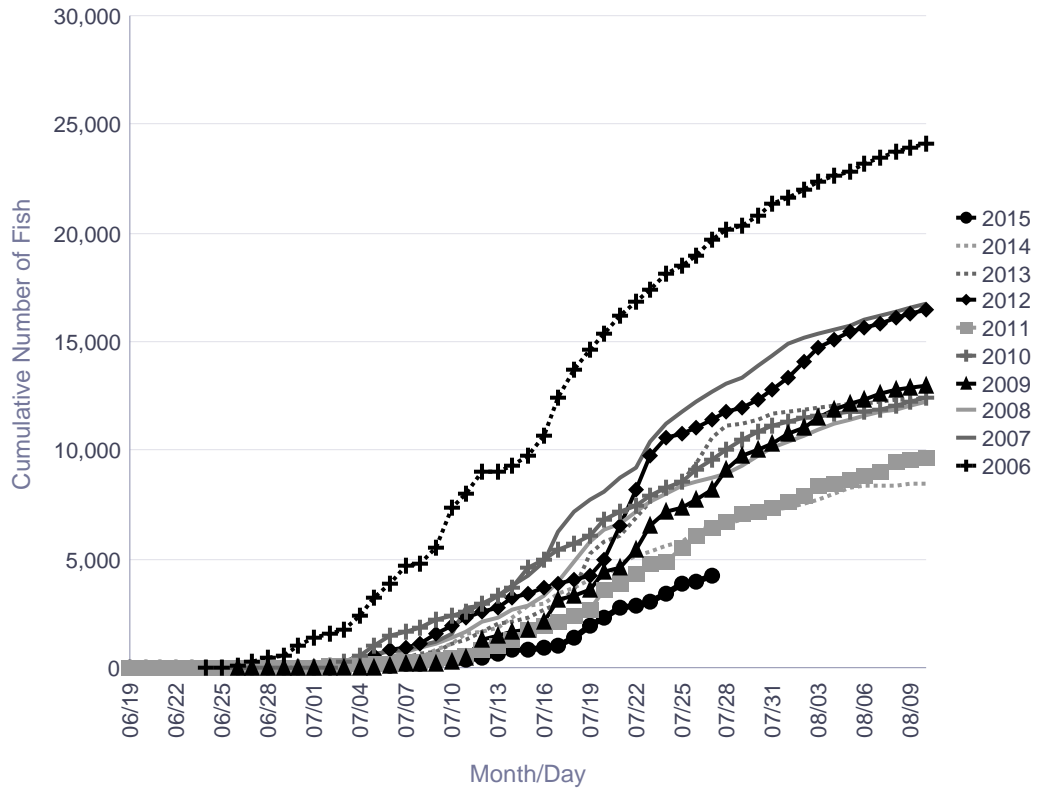
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Tuluksak River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

Cumulative Daily Passage										
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	18,535	11,744	8,375	7,376	8,601	5,559	10,814	8,592	5,846	3,876
07/26	18,983	12,274	8,525	7,703	9,114	6,104	11,079	9,379	6,248	4,014
07/27	19,665	12,703	8,771	8,215	9,547	6,455	11,433	10,615	6,540	4,237
07/28	<u>20,119</u>	<u>13,054</u>	<u>8,973</u>	<u>9,098</u>	<u>10,055</u>	<u>6,744</u>	<u>11,773</u>	<u>11,148</u>	<u>6,628</u>	
07/29	20,349	13,334	9,260	9,784	10,502	7,085	11,975	11,271	6,776	
07/30	20,826	13,945	9,728	10,082	10,855	7,200	12,334	11,456	7,078	
07/31	21,386	14,331	10,100	10,319	11,162	7,375	12,814	11,713	7,283	
08/01	21,650	14,902	10,429	10,756	11,286	7,635	13,339	11,796	7,397	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	25,652	17,286	12,550	13,671	13,042	10,011	16,981	12,911	8,726	

Tuluksak River Chum



There are no comments for the past three days.

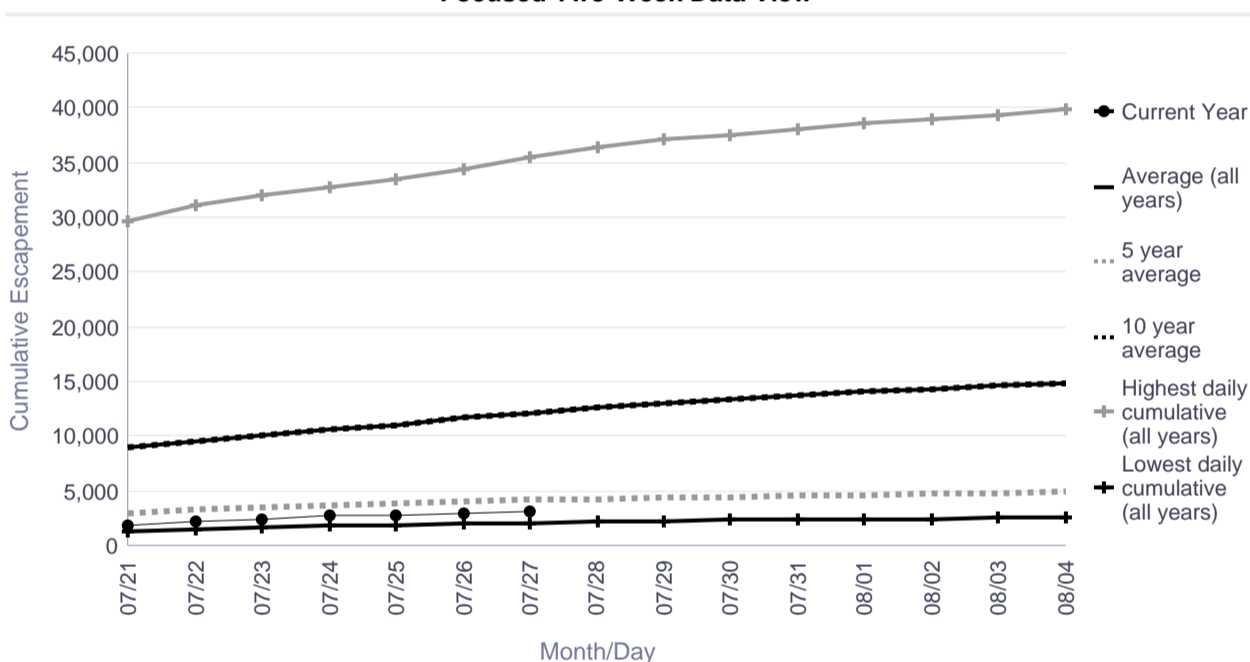
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Salmon River (Aniak) Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

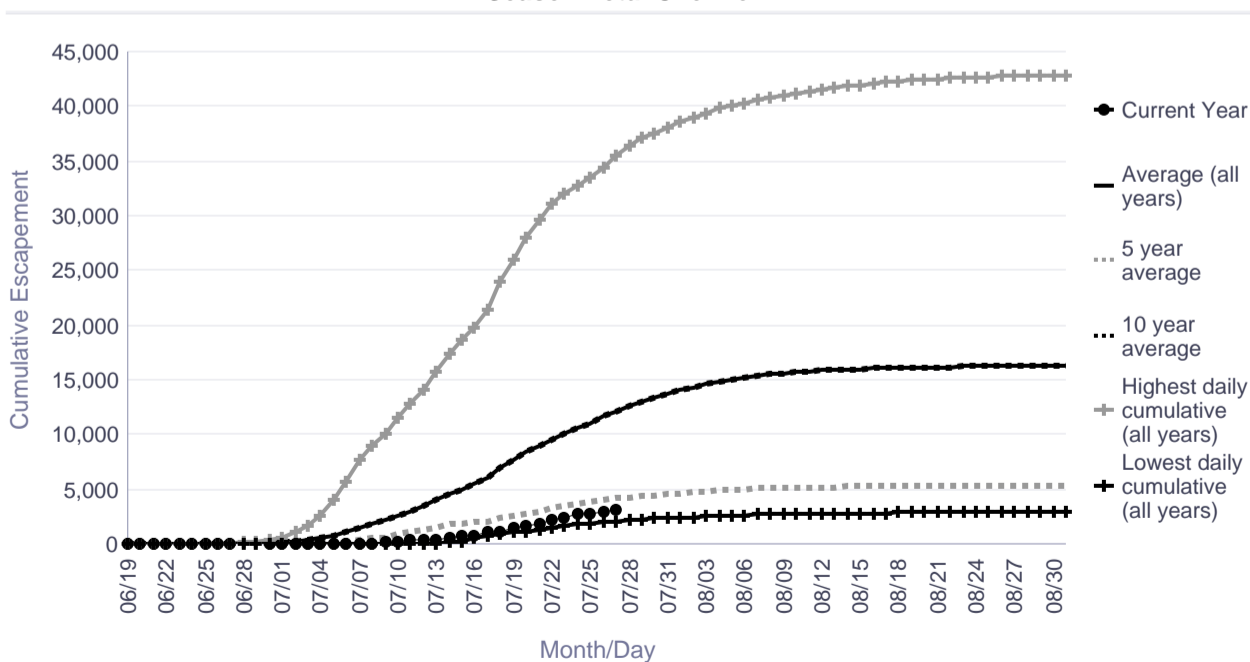
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	1,293	8,979	2,912	8,979	29,645	1,941
07/22	1,528	9,497	3,260	9,497	31,006	2,281
07/23	1,641	10,028	3,512	10,028	31,988	2,433
07/24	1,783	10,591	3,752	10,591	32,735	2,695
07/25	1,920	11,080	3,871	11,080	33,441	2,823
07/26	1,991	11,687	3,978	11,687	34,472	2,954
07/27	2,098	12,171	4,157	12,171	35,394	3,091
07/28	2,213	12,678	4,276	12,678	36,375	
07/29	2,296	13,090	4,405	13,090	37,044	
07/30	2,355	13,390	4,472	13,390	37,452	
07/31	2,384	13,732	4,574	13,732	38,050	
08/01	2,436	14,037	4,655	14,037	38,500	
08/02	2,487	14,347	4,722	14,347	38,954	
08/03	2,506	14,611	4,769	14,611	39,387	
08/04	2,564	14,856	4,875	14,856	39,784	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	2,890	16,272	5,307	16,272	42,825

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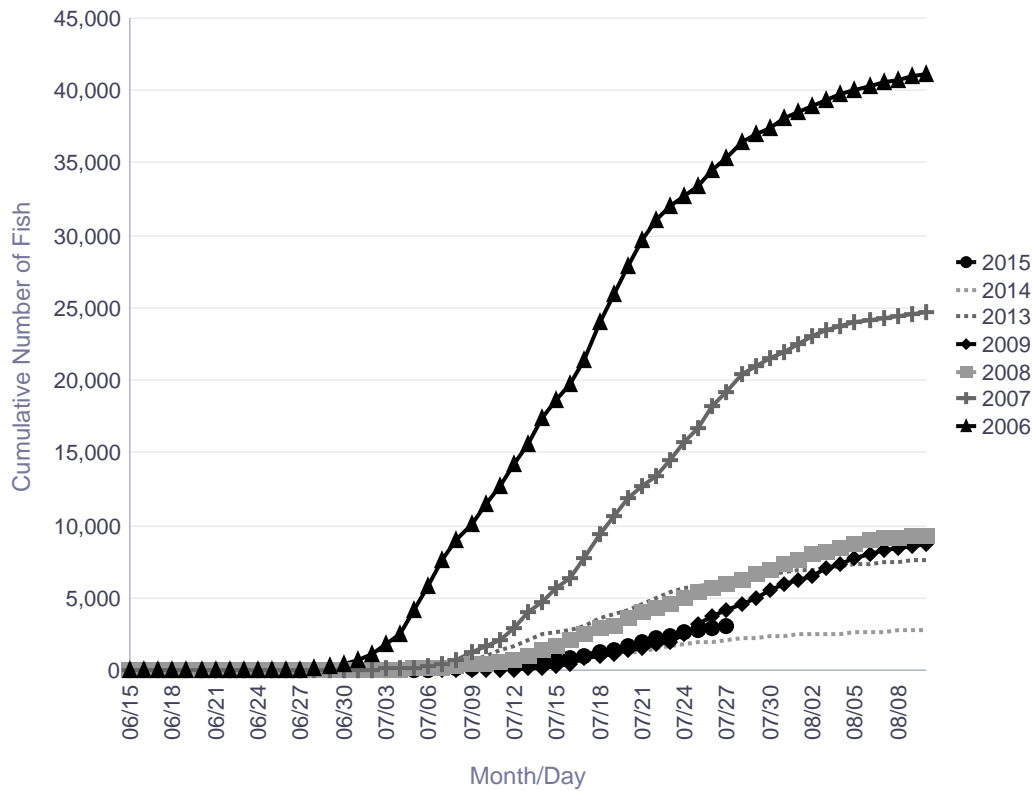
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Salmon River (Aniak) Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	33,441	16,703	5,460	3,136				5,822	1,920	2,823
07/26	34,472	18,285	5,703	3,708				5,965	1,991	2,954
07/27	35,394	19,229	5,979	4,110				6,215	2,098	3,091
07/28	36,375	20,381	6,231	4,528				6,339	2,213	
07/29	37,044	20,991	6,704	4,993				6,514	2,296	
07/30	37,452	21,533	6,914	5,498				6,588	2,355	
07/31	38,050	22,010	7,295	5,889				6,763	2,384	
08/01	38,500	22,539	7,642	6,231				6,874	2,436	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	42,825	25,340	9,459	9,392				7,723	2,890	

Salmon River (Aniak) Chum



There are no comments for the past three days.

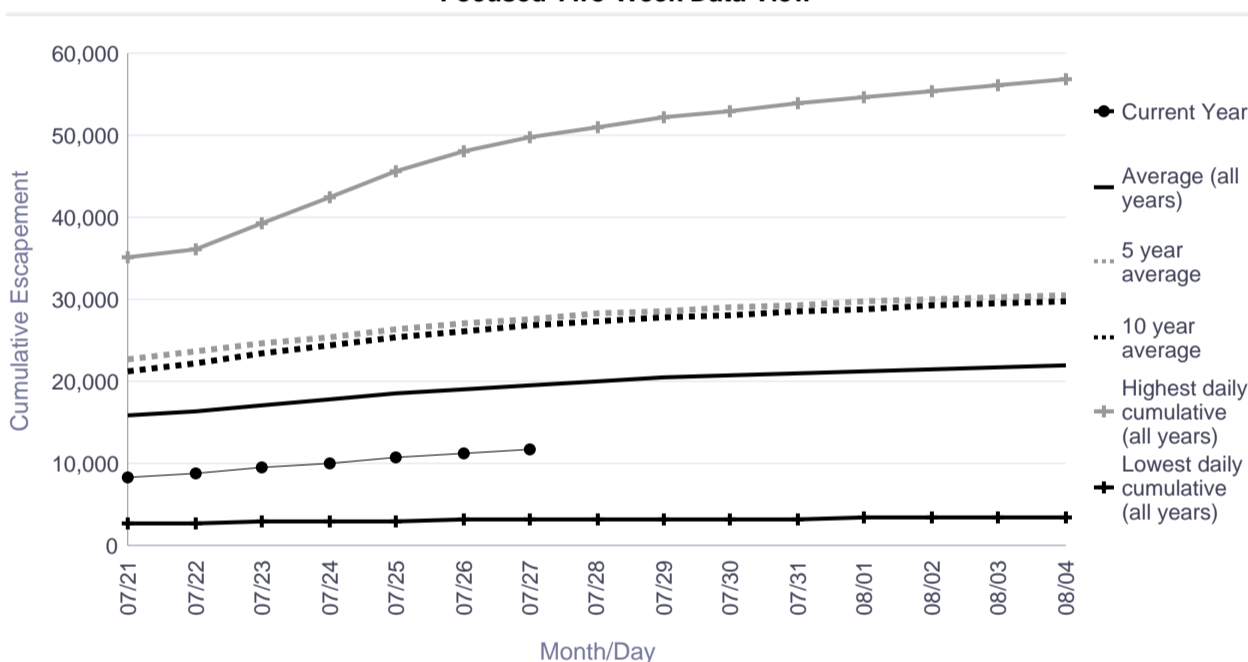
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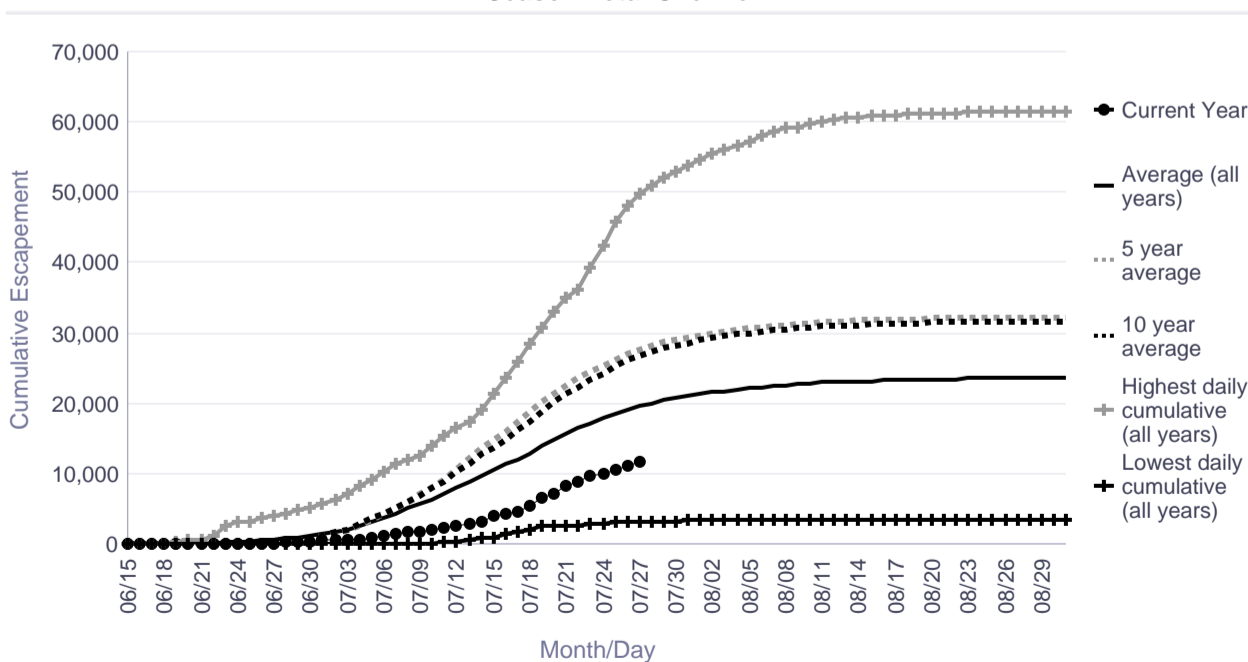
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	2,620	15,793	22,600	21,346	35,097	8,215
07/22	2,707	16,464	23,667	22,286	36,026	8,903
07/23	2,879	17,193	24,566	23,319	39,190	9,601
07/24	2,995	17,875	25,378	24,291	42,524	10,091
07/25	3,071	18,557	26,281	25,272	45,702	10,654
07/26	3,127	19,137	26,983	26,074	48,103	11,156
07/27	3,174	19,625	27,687	26,763	49,825	11,727
07/28	3,208	20,031	28,249	27,291	50,935	
07/29	3,236	20,386	28,654	27,763	52,111	
07/30	3,262	20,697	29,065	28,177	52,975	
07/31	3,325	21,000	29,400	28,555	53,824	
08/01	3,355	21,268	29,677	28,898	54,662	
08/02	3,382	21,512	29,972	29,207	55,432	
08/03	3,404	21,732	30,216	29,482	56,153	
08/04	3,407	21,943	30,458	29,754	56,699	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	3,507	23,671	32,252	31,729	61,531

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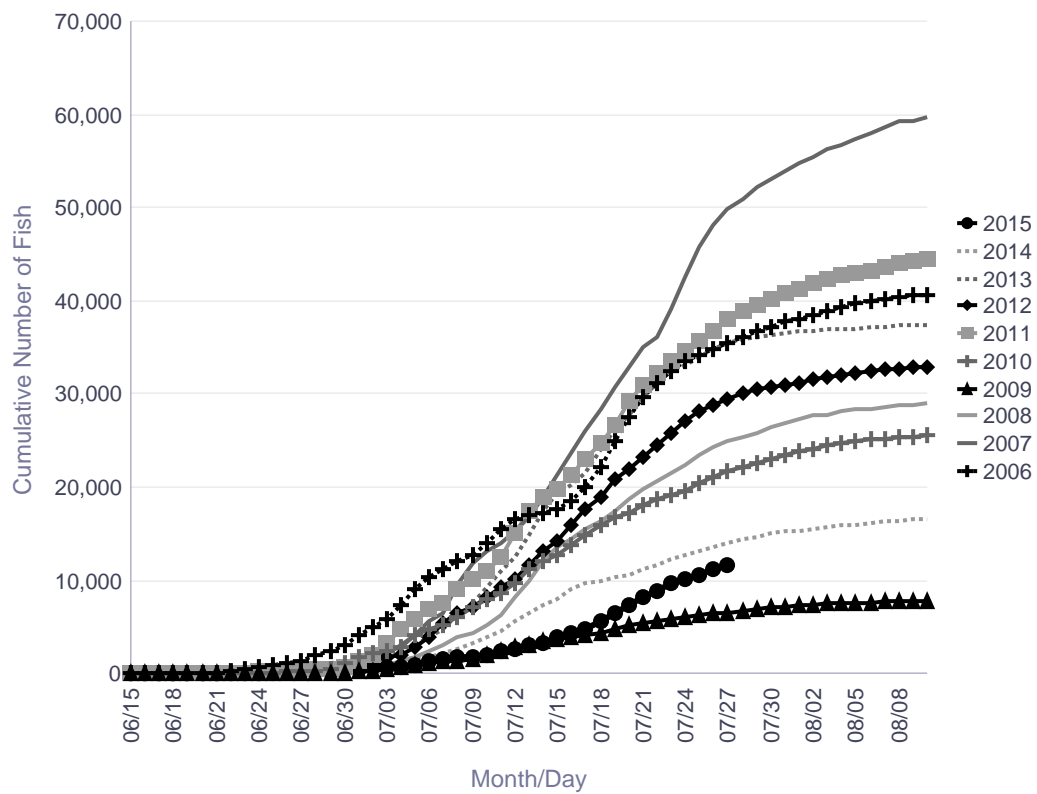
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George River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	34,241	45,702	23,349	6,157	20,413	35,675	28,105	33,985	13,226	10,654
07/26	34,850	48,103	24,386	6,362	21,028	36,798	28,803	34,724	13,564	11,156
07/27	35,520	49,825	24,999	6,508	21,635	37,924	29,362	35,478	14,034	11,727
07/28	<u>36,048</u>	<u>50,935</u>	<u>25,431</u>	<u>6,695</u>	<u>22,133</u>	<u>38,901</u>	<u>30,013</u>	<u>35,846</u>	<u>14,354</u>	
07/29	36,739	52,111	25,858	6,938	22,543	39,604	30,431	36,131	14,559	
07/30	37,176	52,975	26,393	7,030	23,065	40,203	30,734	36,371	14,951	
07/31	37,740	53,824	26,756	7,195	23,505	40,752	31,020	36,552	15,173	
08/01	38,100	54,662	27,361	7,281	23,880	41,299	31,209	36,680	15,318	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	42,318	61,531	29,396	7,944	26,275	46,650	33,310	37,879	17,148	

George River Chum



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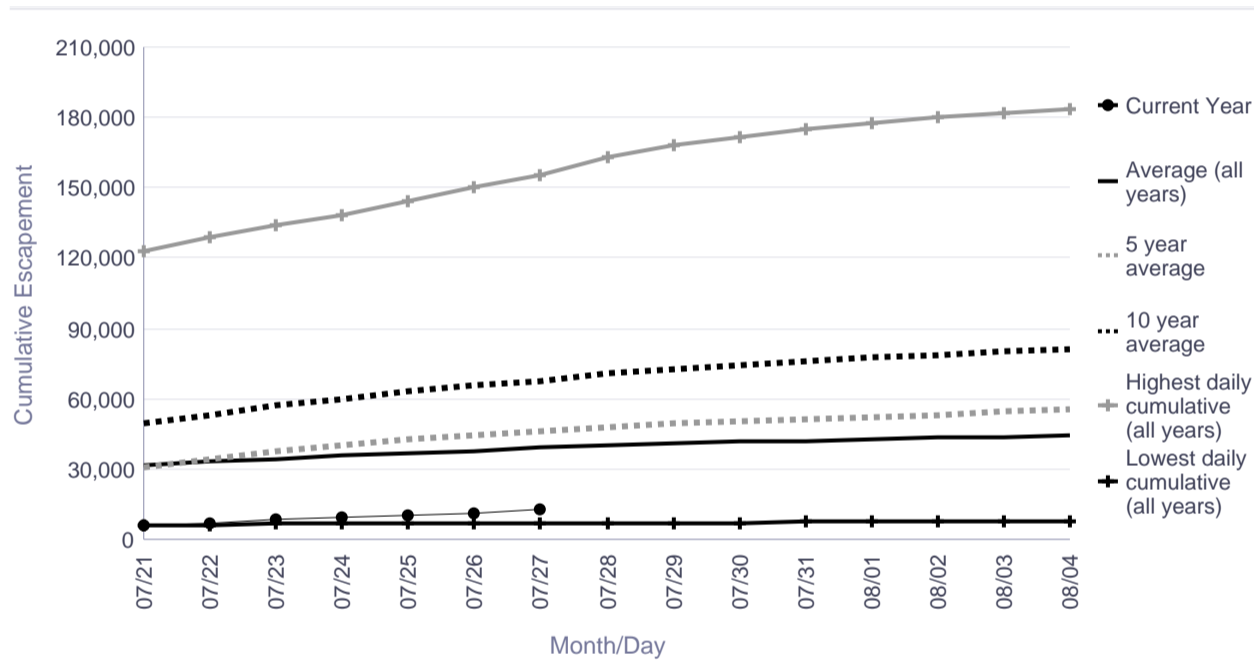
Kogrukluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

Escapement Goal Range: 15,000 to 49,000

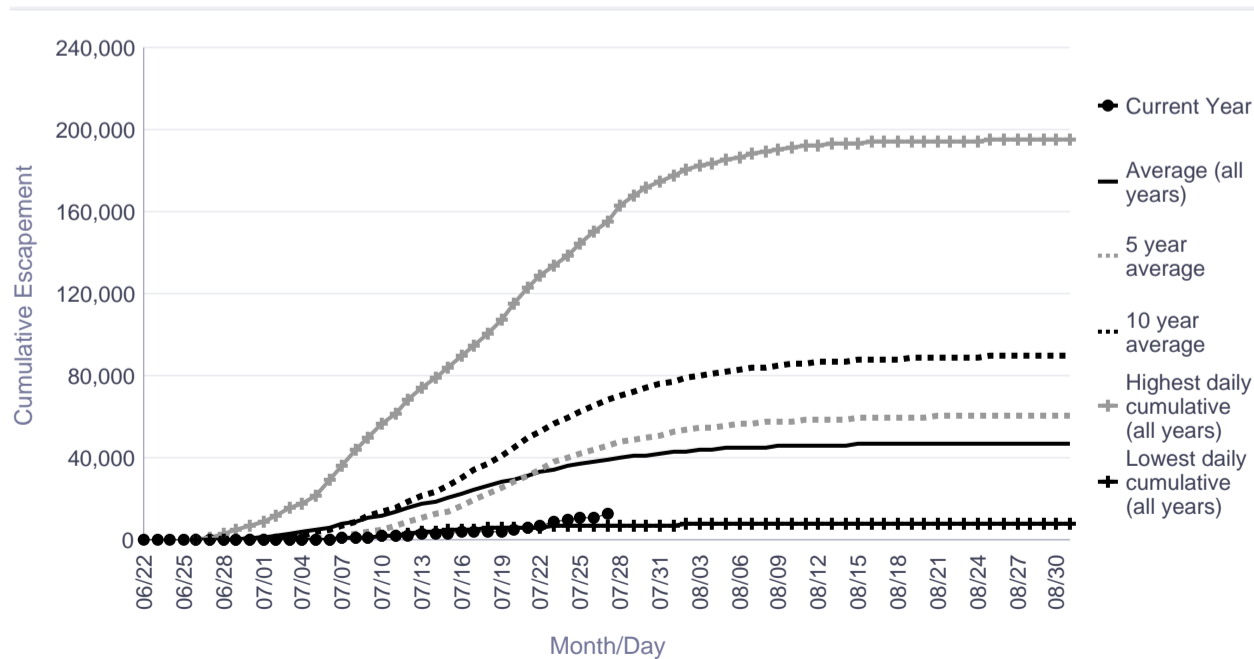
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	6,341	31,502	31,045	49,429	122,595	5,783
07/22	6,469	33,072	34,648	53,234	128,542	6,955
07/23	6,632	34,551	37,721	56,856	134,124	8,482
07/24	6,703	35,898	40,343	60,014	138,620	9,698
07/25	6,758	37,060	42,509	62,876	144,412	10,549
07/26	6,881	38,080	44,473	65,489	149,874	11,335
07/27	6,981	39,035	46,182	67,925	155,537	13,262
07/28	7,173	40,040	47,701	70,576	162,694	
07/29	7,296	40,876	49,180	72,698	168,130	
07/30	7,373	41,567	50,159	74,366	171,851	
07/31	7,409	42,202	51,205	75,910	175,051	
08/01	7,457	42,770	52,364	77,324	177,728	
08/02	7,507	43,300	53,366	78,654	180,277	
08/03	7,563	43,800	54,381	79,954	182,100	
08/04	7,601	44,246	55,172	81,131	183,839	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	7,975	47,231	60,622	89,507	194,887

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Kogrukluk River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

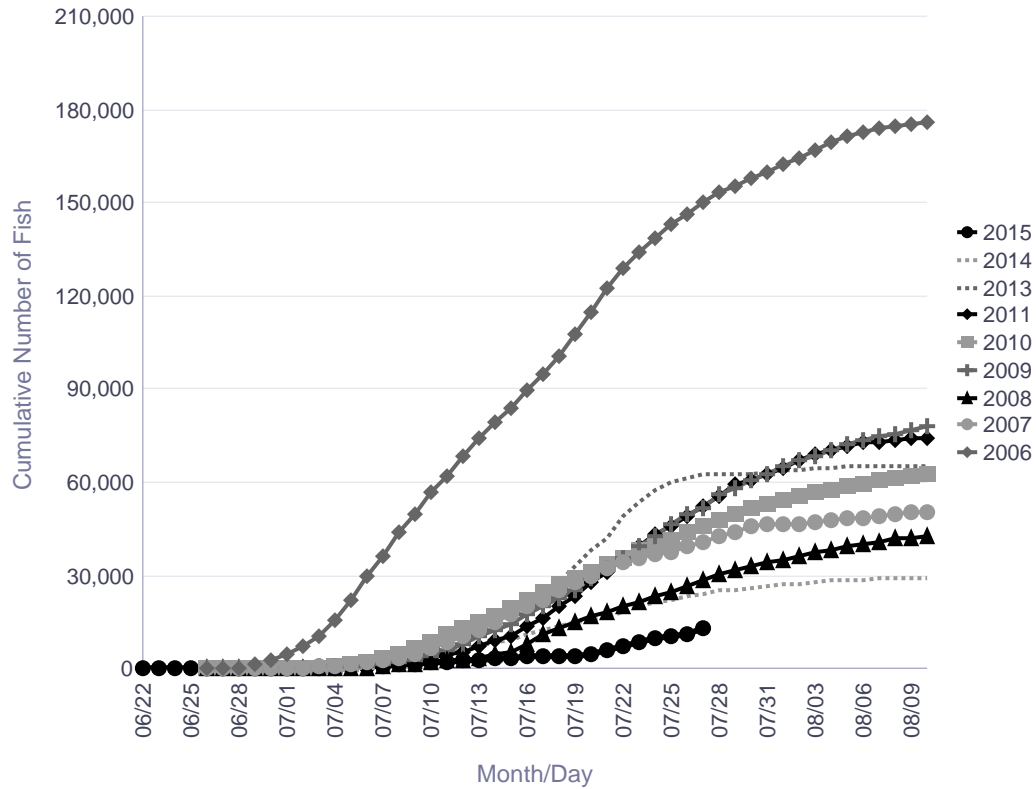
Cumulative Daily Passage										
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	142,866	37,403	24,784	46,384	41,537	46,073		60,180	22,245	10,549
07/26	146,550	39,154	26,526	49,405	43,830	49,170		61,576	23,317	11,335
07/27	150,099	40,784	28,321	51,859	45,872	52,381		62,262	24,214	13,262
07/28	<u>153,015</u>	<u>42,403</u>	<u>30,177</u>	<u>56,093</u>	<u>47,807</u>	<u>55,581</u>		<u>62,485</u>	<u>24,932</u>	
07/29	155,306	44,106	31,800	58,218	49,835	59,089		62,531	25,264	
07/30	157,635	45,798	32,755	60,617	51,330	60,712		62,765	25,828	
07/31	160,057	46,205	34,201	62,855	52,736	62,509		63,315	26,258	
08/01	162,260	46,391	35,146	64,935	54,057	64,696		63,755	26,947	

Escapement Goal Range: 15,000 to 49,000

Highlighted years below are when escapement goal was achieved or exceeded.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	<u>188,003</u>	<u>52,961</u>	<u>44,744</u>	<u>82,483</u>	<u>69,258</u>	<u>76,823</u>		<u>65,644</u>	<u>30,763</u>	

Kogrukluk River Chum



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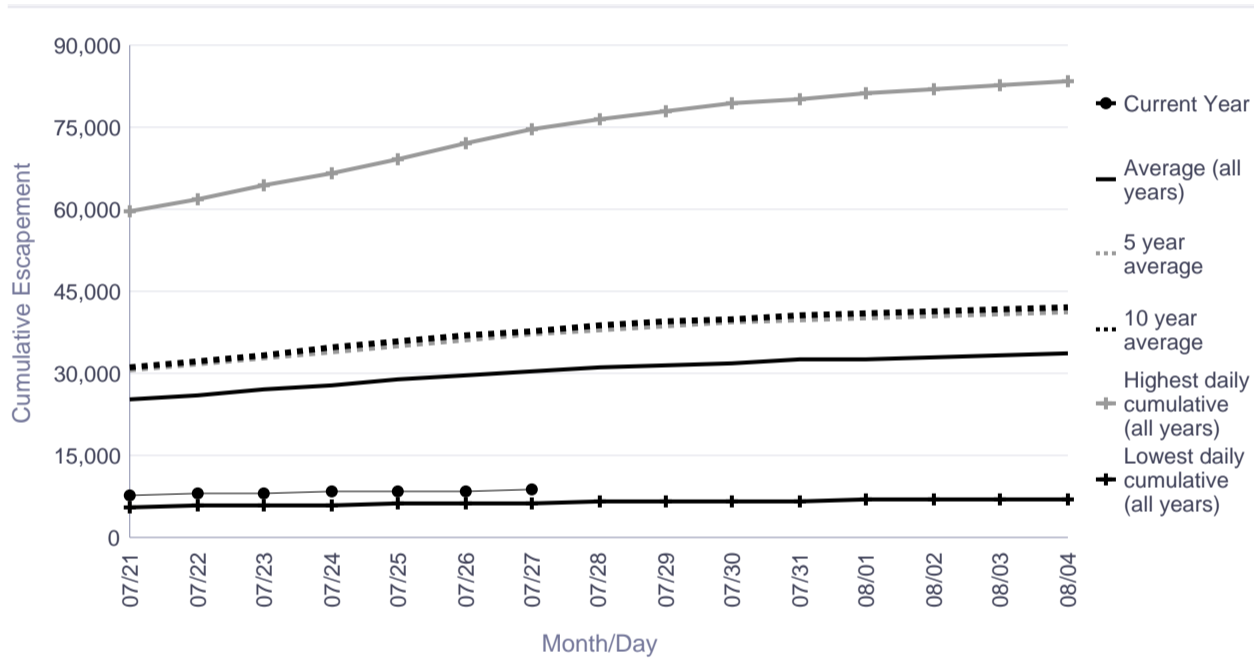
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Tatlawiksuk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

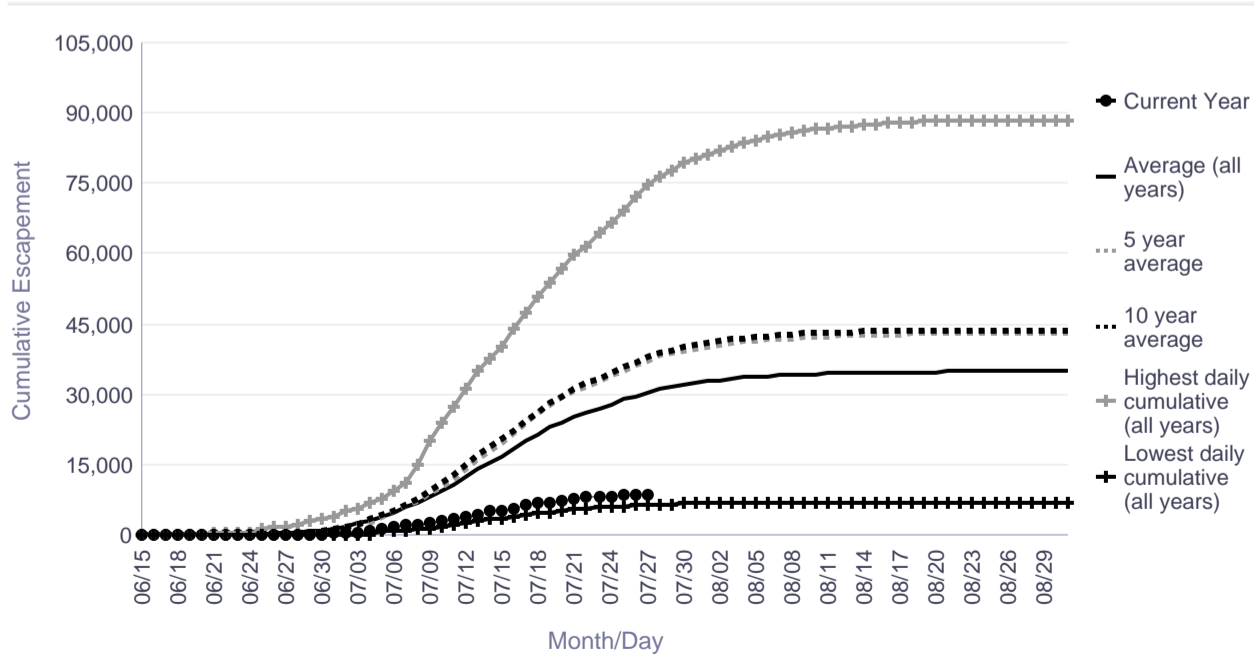
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	5,520	25,235	30,623	31,078	59,592	7,697
07/22	5,758	26,170	31,790	32,263	61,660	8,086
07/23	5,916	27,107	32,957	33,437	64,291	8,254
07/24	6,068	27,997	34,007	34,598	66,453	8,328
07/25	6,182	28,885	35,120	35,769	69,119	8,456
07/26	6,267	29,662	36,266	36,822	71,939	8,595
07/27	6,389	30,429	37,355	37,829	74,471	8,737
07/28	6,482	31,099	38,240	38,729	76,396	
07/29	6,576	31,605	38,897	39,401	77,857	
07/30	6,717	32,032	39,449	39,949	79,228	
07/31	6,789	32,431	39,883	40,463	80,232	
08/01	6,830	32,760	40,284	40,895	81,164	
08/02	6,880	33,051	40,600	41,282	81,839	
08/03	6,898	33,329	40,937	41,657	82,696	
08/04	6,913	33,556	41,222	41,963	83,454	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	7,076	34,909	43,042	43,718	88,202

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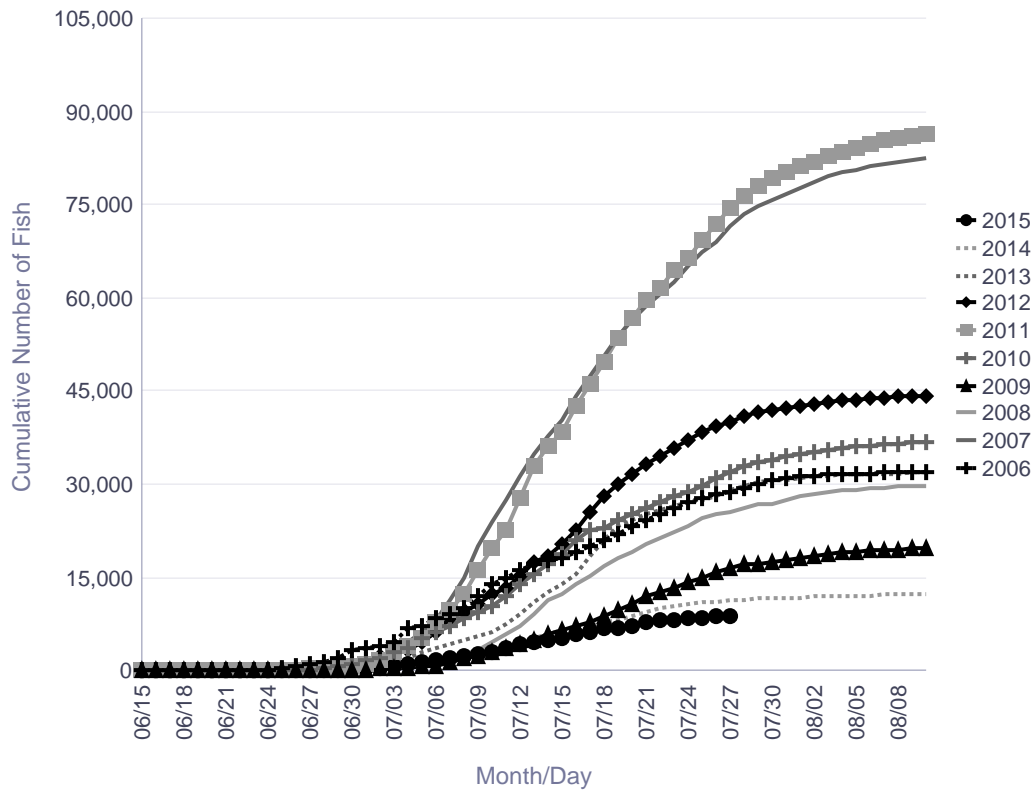
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Tatlawiksuk River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Chum Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	27,672	67,392	24,370	15,012	29,711	69,119	38,221	27,524	11,026	8,456
07/26	28,284	69,089	25,071	15,665	30,940	71,939	39,296	28,024	11,132	8,595
07/27	28,787	71,355	25,459	16,341	31,956	74,471	39,987	29,006	11,353	8,737
07/28	<u>29,330</u>	<u>73,305</u>	<u>26,085</u>	<u>16,982</u>	<u>32,866</u>	<u>76,396</u>	<u>40,849</u>	<u>29,663</u>	<u>11,426</u>	
07/29	29,927	74,596	26,632	17,251	33,383	77,857	41,482	30,193	11,572	
07/30	30,505	75,709	26,852	17,383	33,911	79,228	41,999	30,469	11,636	
07/31	30,883	76,733	27,454	17,757	34,384	80,232	42,292	30,787	11,721	
08/01	31,115	77,657	28,017	18,010	34,838	81,164	42,639	31,024	11,757	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	32,776	83,484	30,129	19,975	37,737	88,202	44,569	32,249	12,455	

Tatlawiksuk River Chum



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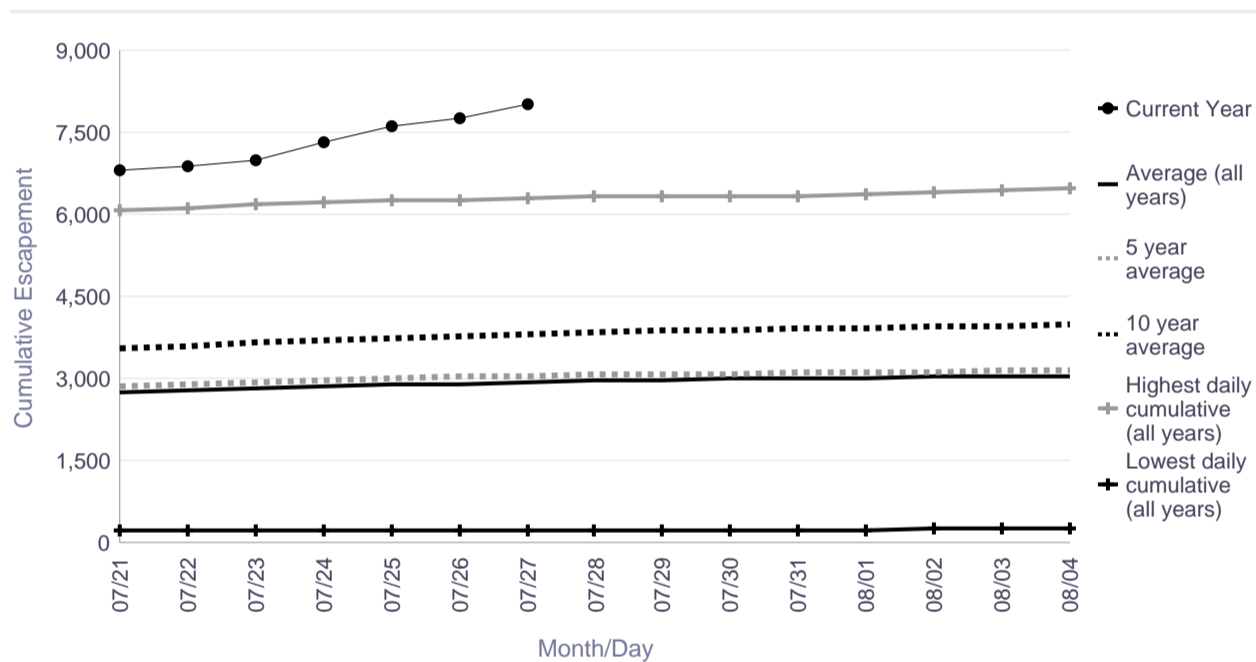
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Kwethluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

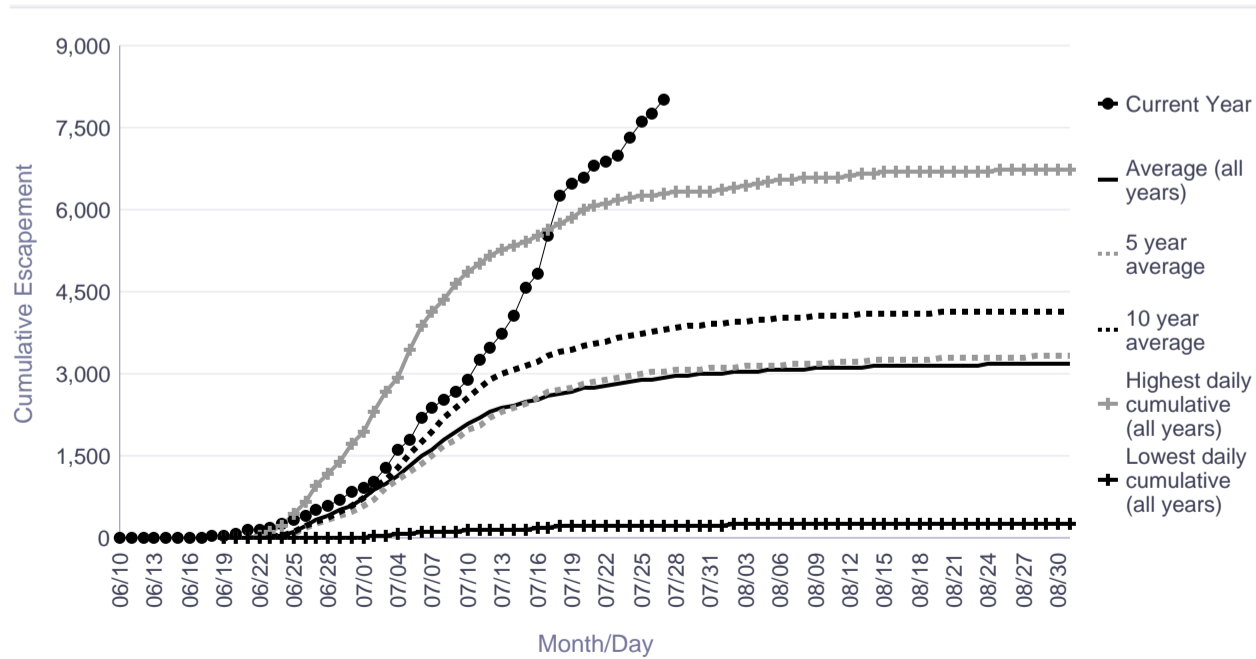
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	222	2,764	2,857	3,552	6,058	6,788
07/22	224	2,797	2,900	3,599	6,125	6,870
07/23	228	2,831	2,928	3,651	6,180	6,994
07/24	228	2,855	2,970	3,689	6,201	7,318
07/25	228	2,885	2,999	3,735	6,242	7,621
07/26	233	2,909	3,027	3,772	6,265	7,747
07/27	233	2,938	3,056	3,817	6,306	8,001
07/28	234	2,957	3,076	3,842	6,315	
07/29	236	2,978	3,086	3,873	6,326	
07/30	238	2,990	3,094	3,890	6,327	
07/31	240	3,004	3,103	3,908	6,345	
08/01	243	3,016	3,114	3,925	6,365	
08/02	244	3,031	3,126	3,946	6,408	
08/03	247	3,043	3,137	3,965	6,455	
08/04	249	3,056	3,153	3,984	6,483	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	272	3,135	3,332	4,080	6,733

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Season Total Overview



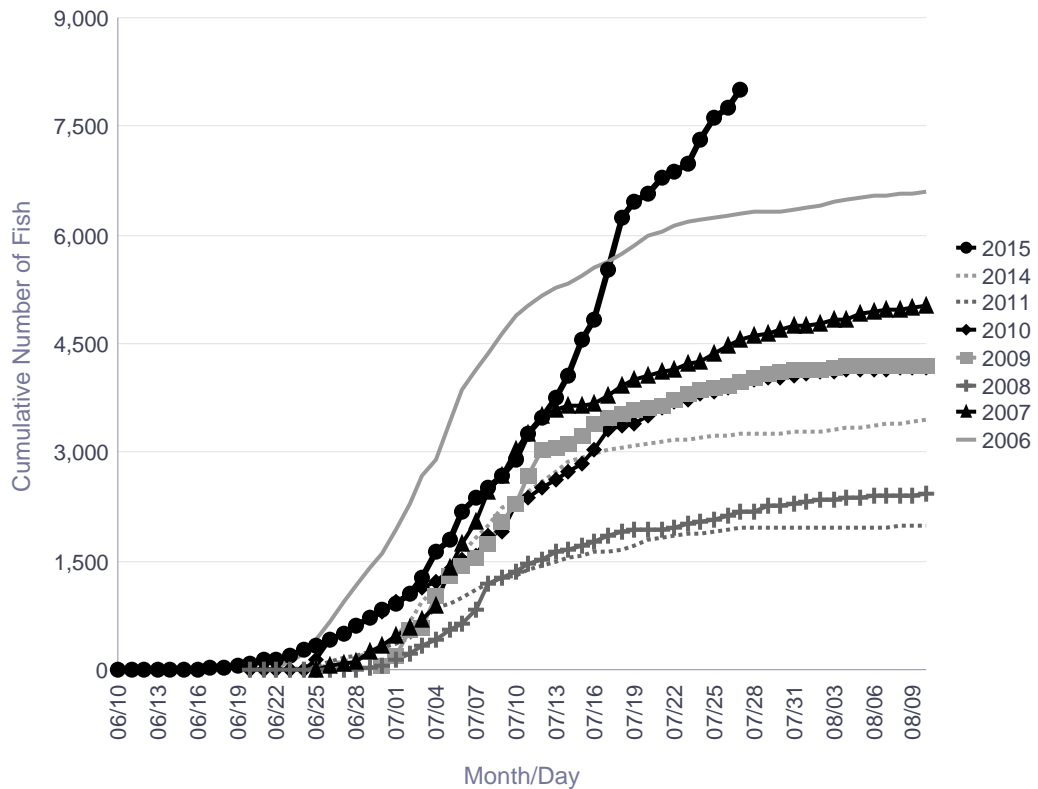
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Kwethluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

Cumulative Daily Passage										
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	6,242	4,369	2,083	3,906	3,852	1,919			3,226	7,621
07/26	6,265	4,479	2,116	3,916	3,903	1,936			3,241	7,747
07/27	6,306	4,560	2,170	3,970	3,964	1,955			3,248	8,001
07/28	6,315	4,603	2,181	4,024	4,006	1,963			3,258	
07/29	6,326	4,640	2,260	4,079	4,029	1,969			3,261	
07/30	6,327	4,687	2,275	4,113	4,042	1,973			3,267	
07/31	6,345	4,739	2,282	4,133	4,062	1,973			3,275	
08/01	6,365	4,759	2,313	4,145	4,084	1,974			3,285	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	6,733	5,148	2,451	4,230	4,188	2,031			3,778	

Kwethluk River Sockeye



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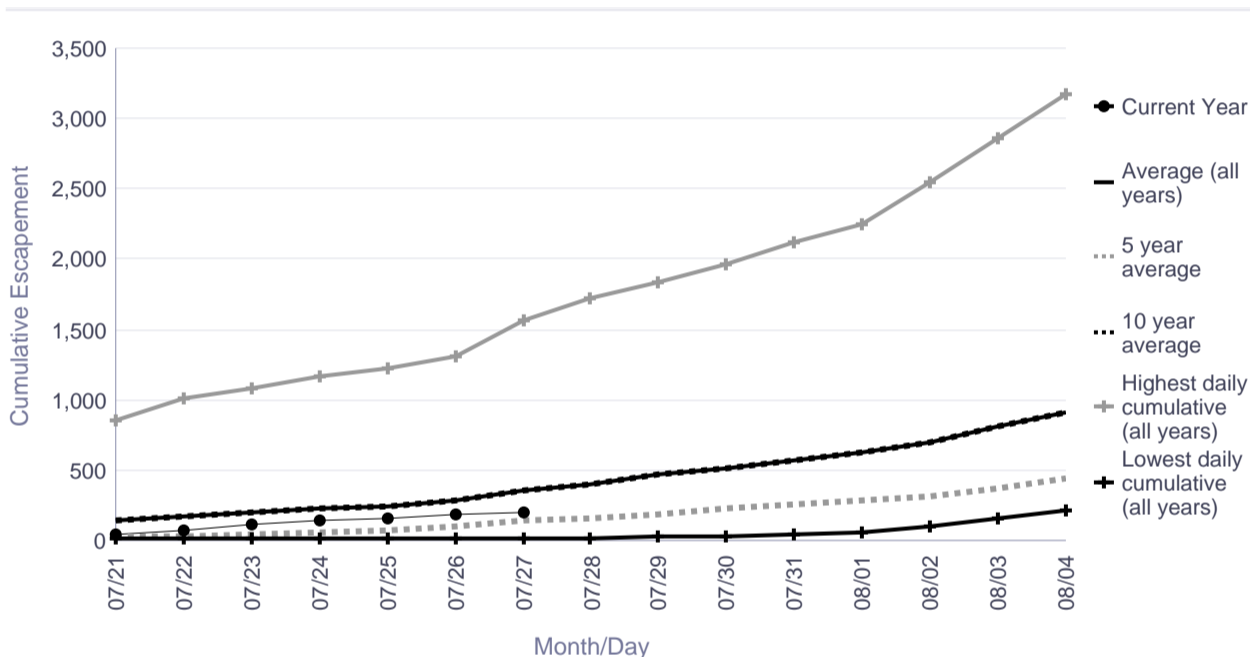
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Salmon River (Aniak) Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

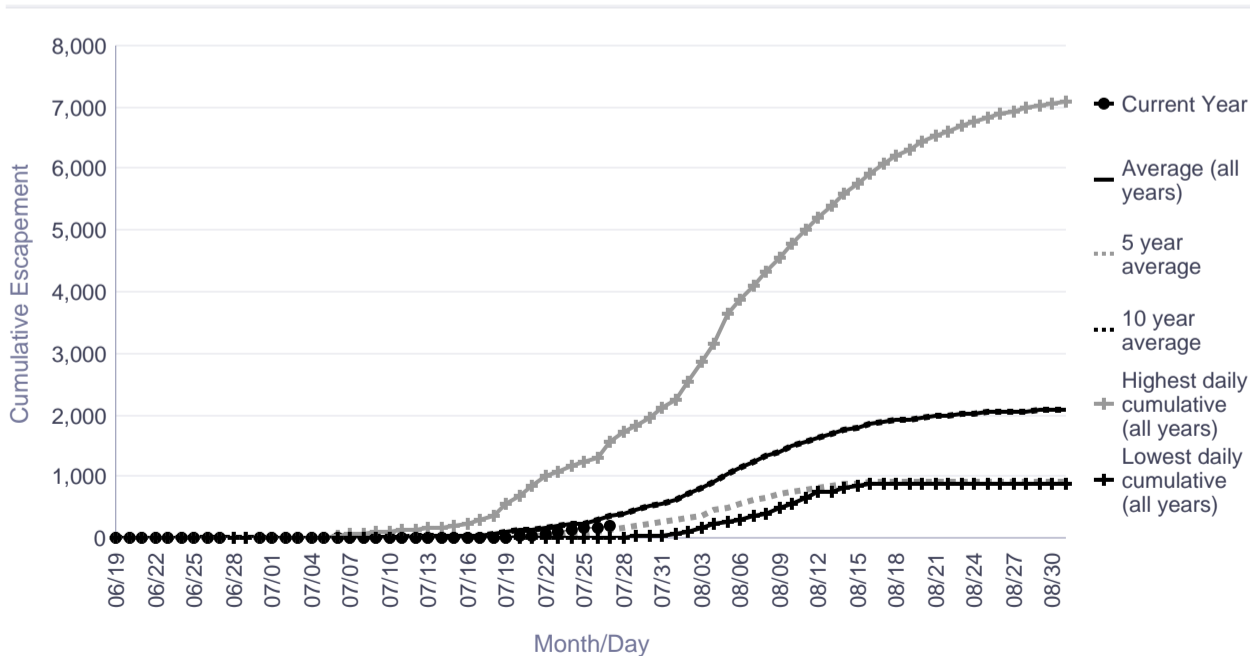
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	10	148	25	148	851	50
07/22	10	180	35	180	1,013	76
07/23	10	200	46	200	1,087	112
07/24	10	225	59	225	1,161	151
07/25	11	245	68	245	1,224	162
07/26	12	287	106	287	1,316	182
07/27	18	353	143	353	1,560	208
07/28	20	407	161	407	1,717	
07/29	29	464	188	464	1,839	
07/30	35	515	236	515	1,968	
07/31	45	571	252	571	2,121	
08/01	66	624	291	624	2,253	
08/02	96	705	318	705	2,552	
08/03	165	806	369	806	2,861	
08/04	217	913	449	913	3,167	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	894	2,087	928	2,087	7,086

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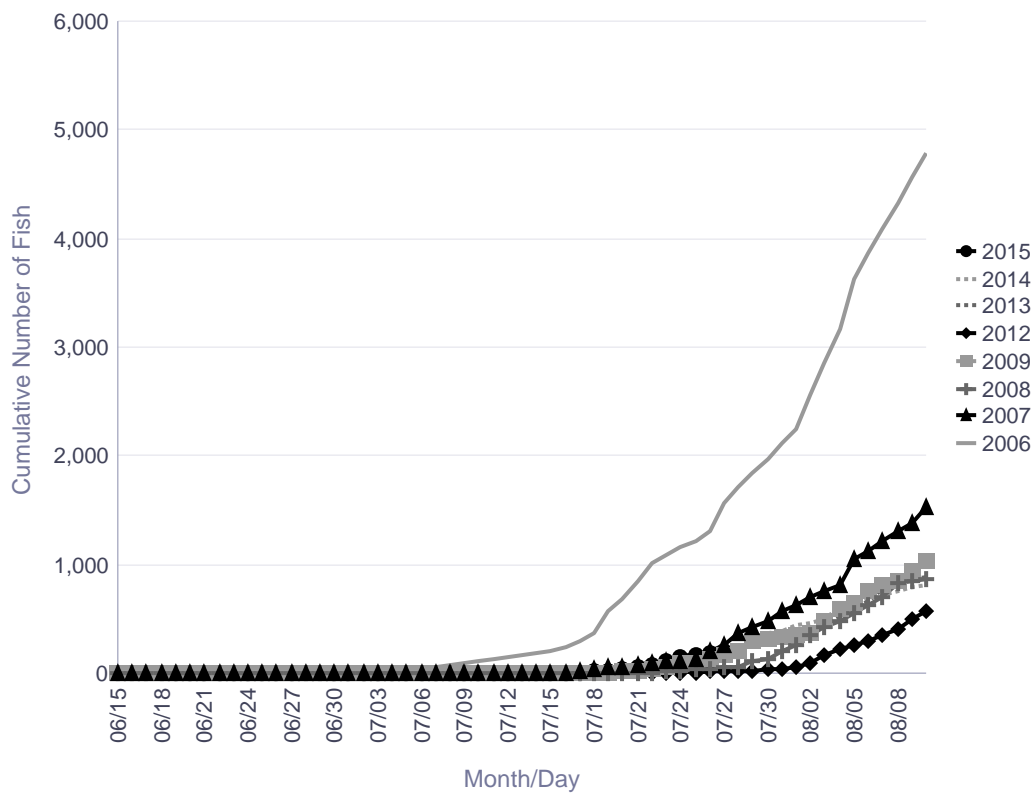
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Salmon River (Aniak) Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

	Cumulative Daily Passage									
Date	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	1,224	139	45	102			11	82	112	162
07/26	1,316	198	47	131			12	153	152	182
07/27	1,560	257	54	175			18	215	195	208
07/28	1,717	374	66	207			20	246	216	
07/29	1,839	431	112	306			29	260	274	
07/30	1,968	475	131	324			35	304	368	
07/31	2,121	571	212	340			45	318	392	
08/01	2,253	620	263	361			66	360	446	

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	7,086	2,189	1,181	1,366			924	966	894	

Salmon River (Aniak) Sockeye



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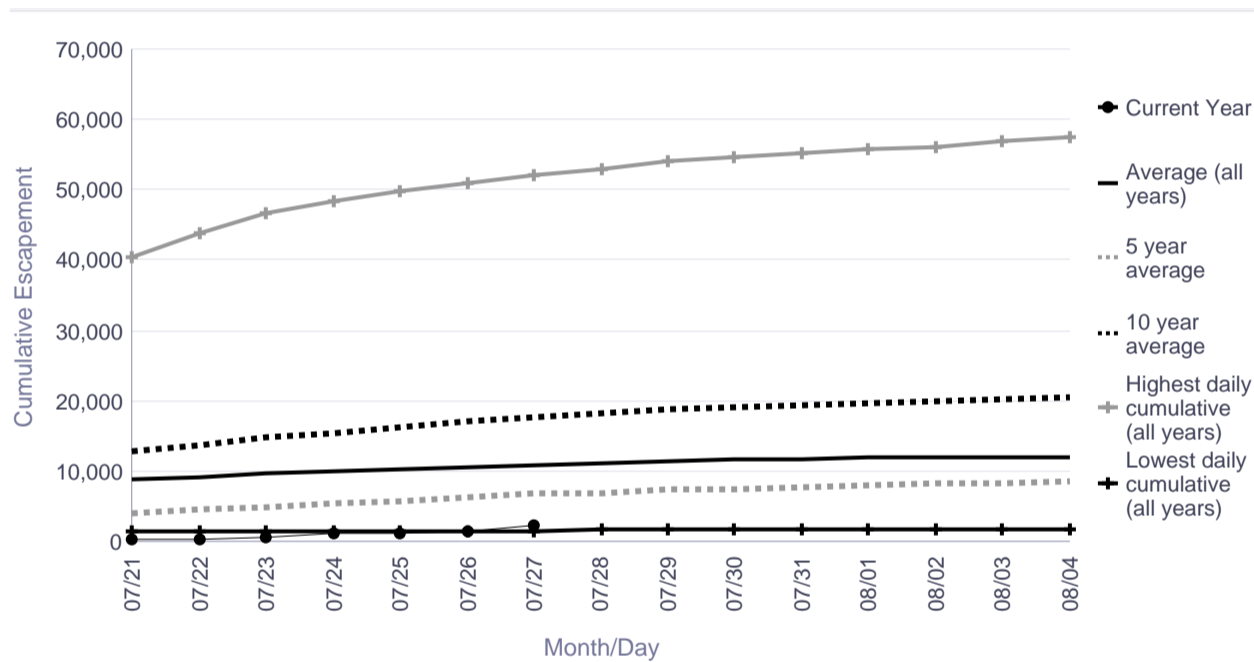
Kogrukluk River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

Escapement Goal Range: 4,400 to 17,000

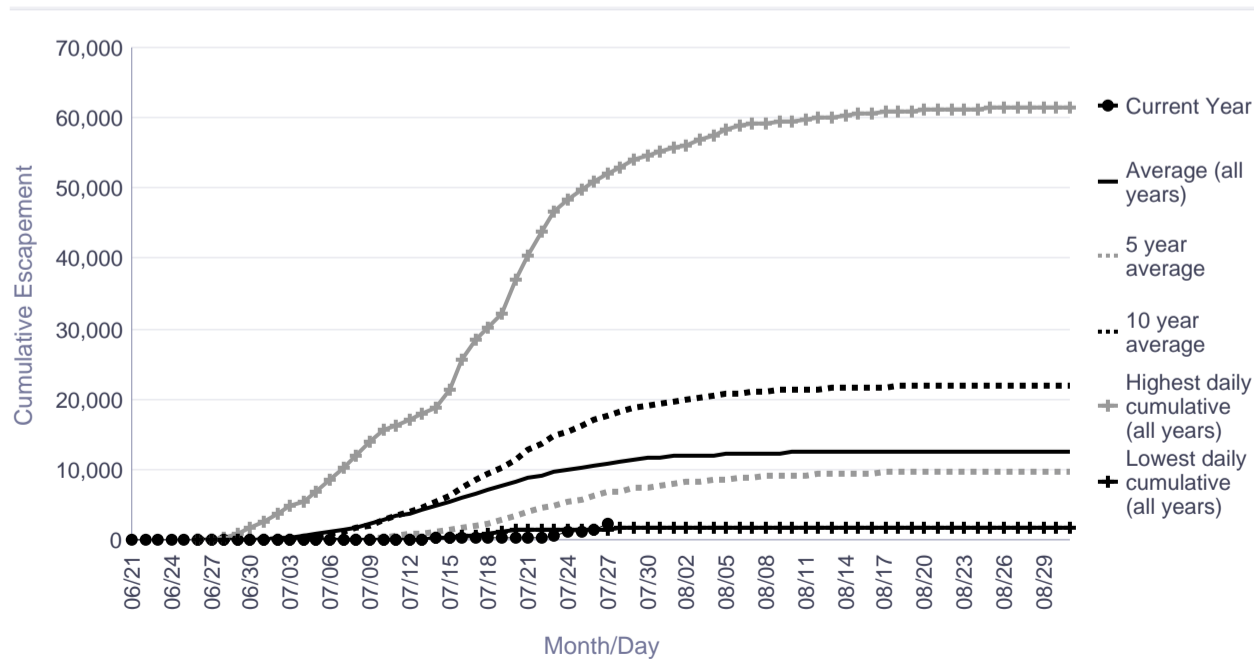
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	1,420	8,823	3,891	12,729	40,408	421
07/22	1,469	9,279	4,480	13,773	43,827	459
07/23	1,509	9,684	5,001	14,744	46,547	573
07/24	1,550	10,002	5,400	15,450	48,302	1,047
07/25	1,582	10,328	5,855	16,168	49,672	1,312
07/26	1,597	10,642	6,347	16,972	51,054	1,529
07/27	1,605	10,930	6,749	17,630	52,086	2,326
07/28	1,620	11,176	7,011	18,209	52,945	
07/29	1,631	11,416	7,321	18,794	54,109	
07/30	1,639	11,588	7,562	19,166	54,579	
07/31	1,651	11,724	7,768	19,473	55,213	
08/01	1,661	11,842	7,989	19,757	55,650	
08/02	1,670	11,942	8,172	20,001	56,122	
08/03	1,678	12,038	8,355	20,249	56,769	
08/04	1,685	12,127	8,528	20,492	57,465	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	1,732	12,652	9,834	22,024	61,382

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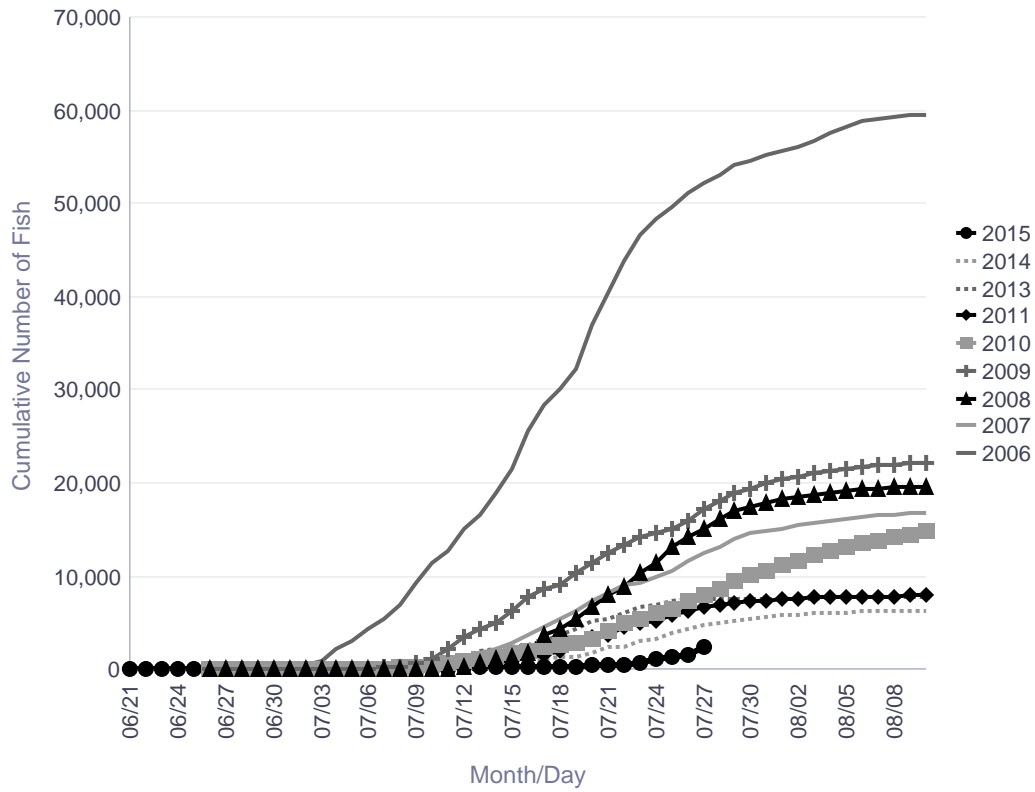
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Date	Cumulative Daily Passage									
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	49,672	10,623	13,025	15,043	6,424	5,727		7,325	3,942	1,312
07/26	51,054	11,697	14,284	15,890	7,284	6,260		7,466	4,377	1,529
07/27	52,086	12,446	15,037	17,120	8,023	6,673		7,520	4,780	2,326
07/28	<u>52,945</u>	<u>13,078</u>	<u>16,101</u>	<u>18,073</u>	<u>8,524</u>	<u>6,951</u>		<u>7,529</u>	<u>5,038</u>	
07/29	54,109	13,940	16,986	18,942	9,420	7,187		7,530	5,147	
07/30	54,579	14,559	17,493	19,446	10,021	7,294		7,538	5,395	
07/31	55,213	14,845	17,930	19,902	10,599	7,380		7,561	5,530	
08/01	55,650	15,158	18,283	20,313	11,150	7,502		7,583	5,722	

Escapement Goal Range: 4,400 to 17,000
 Highlighted years below are when escapement goal was achieved or exceeded.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	<u>61,382</u>	<u>17,211</u>	<u>19,675</u>	<u>22,826</u>	<u>17,139</u>	<u>7,974</u>		<u>7,808</u>	<u>6,413</u>	

Kogrukluk River Sockeye



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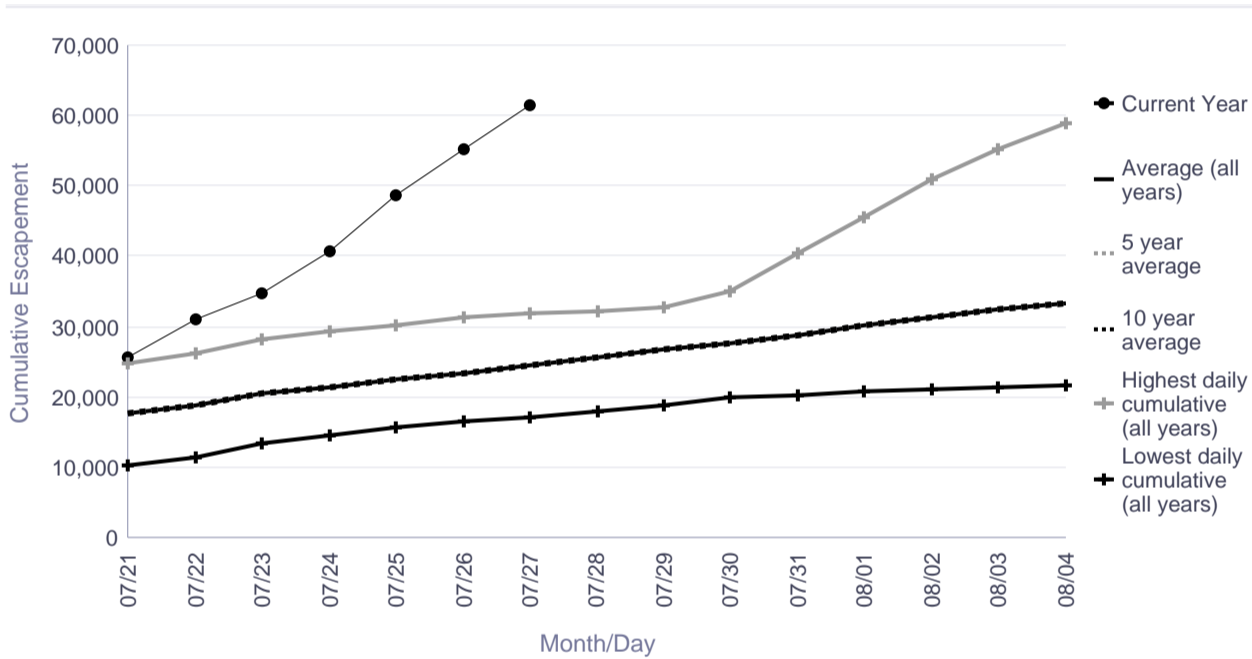
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Telaquana River Salmon Monitoring Project Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

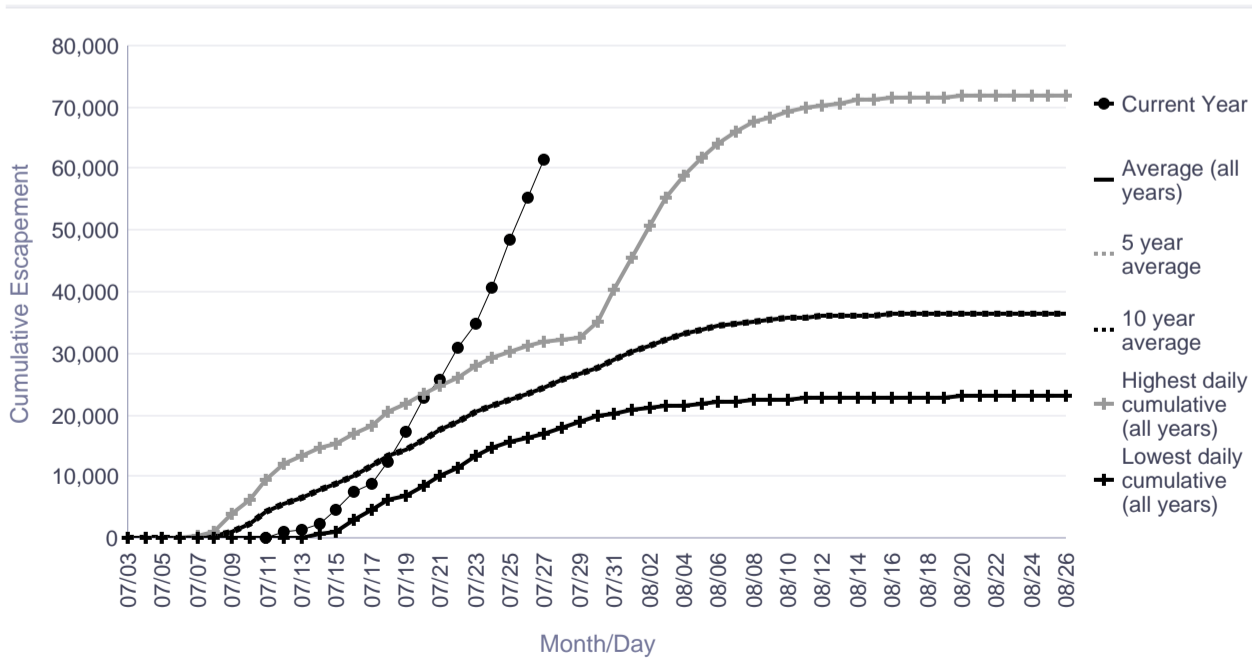
Date	Lowest daily cumulative (all years)	Average (all years)	5 year average	10 year average	Highest daily cumulative (all years)	Current Year
07/21	10,234	17,534	17,534	17,534	24,753	25,770
07/22	11,467	18,864	18,864	18,864	26,123	31,045
07/23	13,293	20,388	20,388	20,388	28,047	34,667
07/24	14,622	21,488	21,488	21,488	29,369	40,812
07/25	15,784	22,477	22,477	22,477	30,234	48,521
07/26	16,443	23,473	23,473	23,473	31,240	55,152
07/27	16,969	24,516	24,516	24,516	31,911	61,347
07/28	17,964	25,599	25,599	25,599	32,240	
07/29	18,844	26,657	26,657	26,657	32,618	
07/30	19,887	27,592	27,592	27,592	35,053	
07/31	20,309	28,876	28,876	28,876	40,295	
08/01	20,778	30,125	30,125	30,125	45,530	
08/02	21,143	31,356	31,356	31,356	50,834	
08/03	21,385	32,351	32,351	32,351	55,169	
08/04	21,648	33,180	33,180	33,180	58,811	

	Lowest Count	Average Count	5 Year Average	10 Year Average	Highest Count
Season Total	23,005	36,476	36,476	36,476	71,932

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Season Total Overview



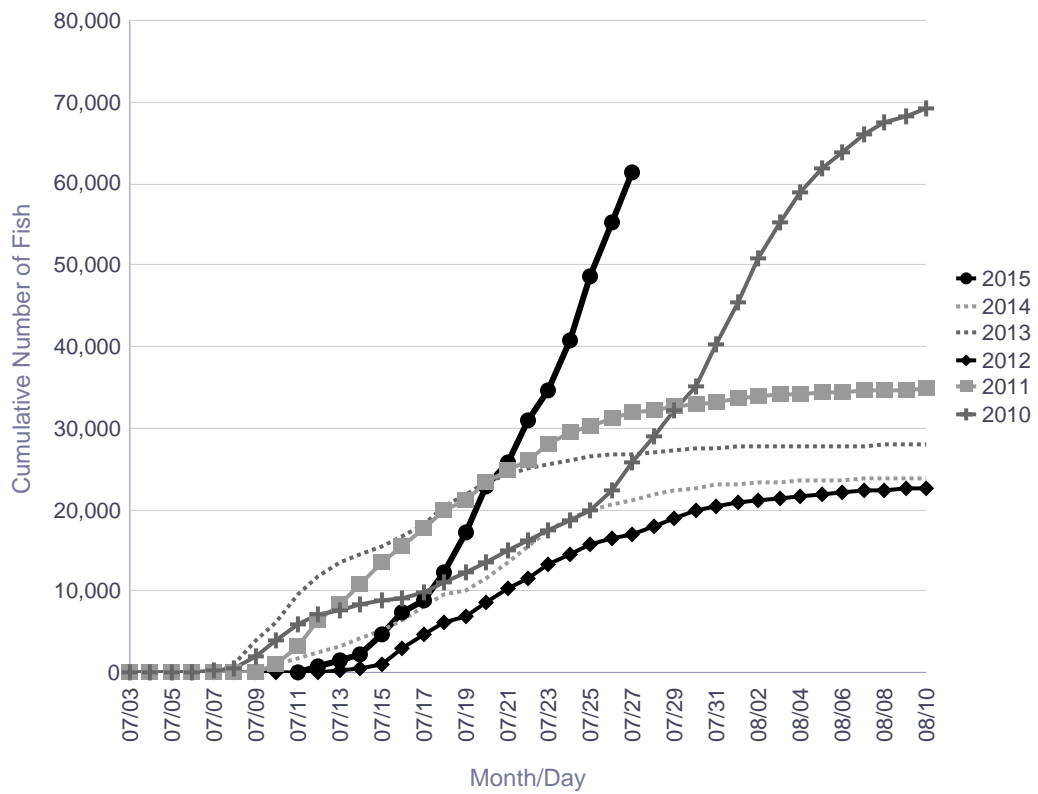
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Telaquana River Weir Historical Cumulative Daily Passage of Sockeye Salmon

Date	Cumulative Daily Passage					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
07/25	20,015	30,234	15,784	26,489	19,861	48,521
07/26	22,347	31,240	16,443	26,680	20,657	55,152
07/27	25,700	31,911	16,969	26,818	21,183	61,347
07/28	<u>28,991</u>	<u>32,240</u>	<u>17,964</u>	<u>27,057</u>	<u>21,745</u>	
07/29	32,104	32,618	18,844	27,328	22,391	
07/30	35,053	32,867	19,887	27,454	22,698	
07/31	40,295	33,210	20,309	27,529	23,037	
08/01	45,530	33,560	20,778	27,629	23,127	

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Season Total	71,932	35,102	23,005	28,050	24,293	

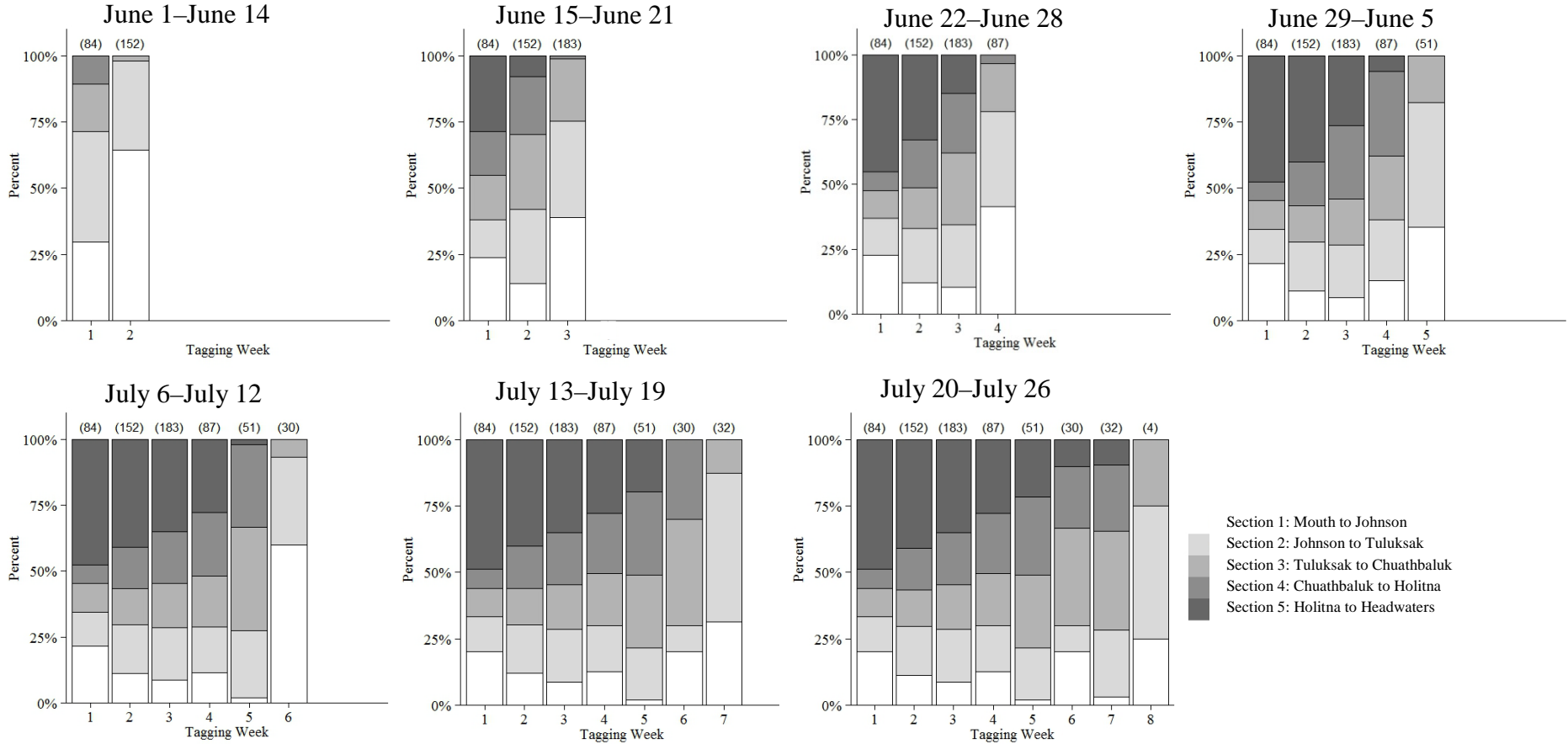
Telaquana River Sockeye



There are no comments for the past three days.

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Seasonal Distribution of radiotagged Chinook salmon among the 5 Kuskokwim River conservation sections



Note: Tagged fish are stratified by week and tracked separately in an attempt to monitor groups of fish migrating upriver. These figures show the movement of groups of fish overtime. The most recent figure represent our most complete understanding of where groups of tagged fish are currently. The number of radiotagged fish by week is shown in parentheses.

Lower River Chinook Tagging Summary

Date		Captured	Tagged	Chum	Sockeye	Coho
7/24/2015	Total	1,212	1,193 (623)	287	121	36

Note: Tagging operations began on June 1, 2015. Two crews fish both incoming tides daily. All fish received external tags. The number of Chinook salmon that received a radio tag is indicated in the parentheses.

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Appendix.- Chinook salmon spawning aerial survey index estimates, Kuskokwim River Drainage, Kuskokwim Management Area, 1975-2015.

Year	Lower Kuskokwim River ^a				Middle Kuskokwim River ^a							Upper Kuskokwim River ^a			
	EEK	Kwethluk Canyon C.	Kisaralik	Tuluksak	Aniak	Kipchuk	Salmon (Aniak)	Holokuk	Oskawalik	Holitna	Gagarayah	Cheeneetnuk	Bear (Pitka)	Salmon (Pitka)	Upper Pitka Fork
1975													36		
1976									2,571				182		
1977		2,075		424						897	2,407			1,930	
1978		1,722	2,417				289		2,766	504	268		227	1,100	
1979														682	
1980	2,378			975			1,186								
1981					9,074								93		
1982			81				126			521			127	413	
1983	188	471		186	1,909		231		1,069			173		572	
1984												1,177		545	
1985	1,118		63	142								1,002		620	
1986					424		336		650						
1987	1,740					193	516		193			317			
1988	2,256	622	869	195	954		244		80					474	
1989	1,042	1,157	152		2,109	1,598	631							452	
1990			631	200	1,255	537	596		113						
1991	1,312		217	358	1,564	885	583								
1992					2,284	670	335		91	2,022	328	1,050		2,536	
1993					2,687	1,248	1,082	233	103	1,573	419	678		1,010	
1994			1,243			1,520	1,218				807	1,206		1,010	
1995			1,243		3,171	1,215	1,446		326	1,887	1,193	1,565		1,911	
1996							985								
1997			439		2,187	855	980		1,470	2,093	364	345			
1998	523		457		1,930	443	425								
1999									98	741					
2000					714	182	238			301				362	151
2001							598	52		4,156	143		175	1,033	
2002		1,795	1,727			1,615	1,236	513	295	733		730	211		165
2003	1,525	2,661	654	94	3,514	1,493	1,242	1,096	844		1,093	810	176		197
2004	4,653	6,801	5,157	1,196	5,362	1,868	2,177	539	293	4,051	670	918	206	1,138	290
2005		5,059	2,206	672		1,679	4,097	510	582	1,760			367	1,801	744
2006			4,734		5,639	1,618		705	386	1,866	531	1,015	347	862	170
2007			692	173	3,984	2,147	1,458				1,035		165	943	131
2008		487	1,074		3,222	1,061	589	418	213		177	290	245	1,033	248
2009								565	379		303	323	209	632	187
2010			235					229			62		75	135	67
2011	263					116	79	61	26		96	249	145	767	85
2012			588			193	49	36	51		178	229		670	
2013	240	1,165	599	83	754	261	154		38	532	74	138	64	469	
2014	189		622		3,201	1,220	497	80	200		359	340		1,865	
2015			709			917		77		662	19		1,381	1,916	
Escapement Goal		400-1,200			1,200-2,300	330-1,200			970-2,100	300-830	340-1,300		470-1,600		
10-yr ave	231	2,237	1,344	309	3,360	1,037	989	326	234	1,386	313	369	202	918	233

^a Estimates are from aerial surveys conducted during peak spawning periods under 'good' or 'fair' survey conditions.

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2015 Location of Coho Salmon by Date Past Bethel Continuing Up the Kuskokwim River

Community	River Miles	Days Between Sites	Index 1	Index 2	Index 3	Index 4
Bethel Test Index			31.00	66.00		
Cumulative CPUE			94	244		
Travel in miles per day		14	14	14	14	14
Apokak Slough S1 L	0	0	19-Jul	23-Jul	29-Jul	5-Aug
Tuntutuliak	28	2.0	21-Jul	25-Jul	31-Jul	7-Aug
Johnson R S2 L	48	3.4	22-Jul	26-Jul	1-Aug	8-Aug
Napaskiak	60	4.3	23-Jul	27-Jul	2-Aug	9-Aug
Bethel	66	4.7	23-Jul	27-Jul	2-Aug	9-Aug
Kwethluk	82	5.9	24-Jul	28-Jul	3-Aug	10-Aug
Akiak	100	7.1	26-Jul	30-Jul	5-Aug	12-Aug
Tuluksak S3 L	120	8.6	27-Jul	31-Jul	6-Aug	13-Aug
Kalskag	163	11.6	30-Jul	3-Aug	9-Aug	16-Aug
Birch Tree	183	13.1	1-Aug	5-Aug	11-Aug	18-Aug
Aniak	191	13.6	1-Aug	5-Aug	11-Aug	18-Aug
Chuathbaluk S4 L	201	14.4	2-Aug	6-Aug	12-Aug	19-Aug
Napaimute	223	15.9	3-Aug	7-Aug	13-Aug	20-Aug
Crooked Creek	259	18.5	6-Aug	10-Aug	16-Aug	23-Aug
Holitna River S5 L	305	21.8	9-Aug	13-Aug	19-Aug	26-Aug
Tatlawiksuk River	350	25.0	13-Aug	17-Aug	23-Aug	30-Aug
McGrath	468	33.4	21-Aug	25-Aug	31-Aug	7-Sep
Nikolai	585	41.8	29-Aug	2-Sep	8-Sep	15-Sep

Cumulative CPUE	94	244		
5-year Avg CPUE	96	245	737	1,735
10-year Avg CPUE	177	369	1,019	2,172

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Coho salmon commercial harvest by day, 2004-2015

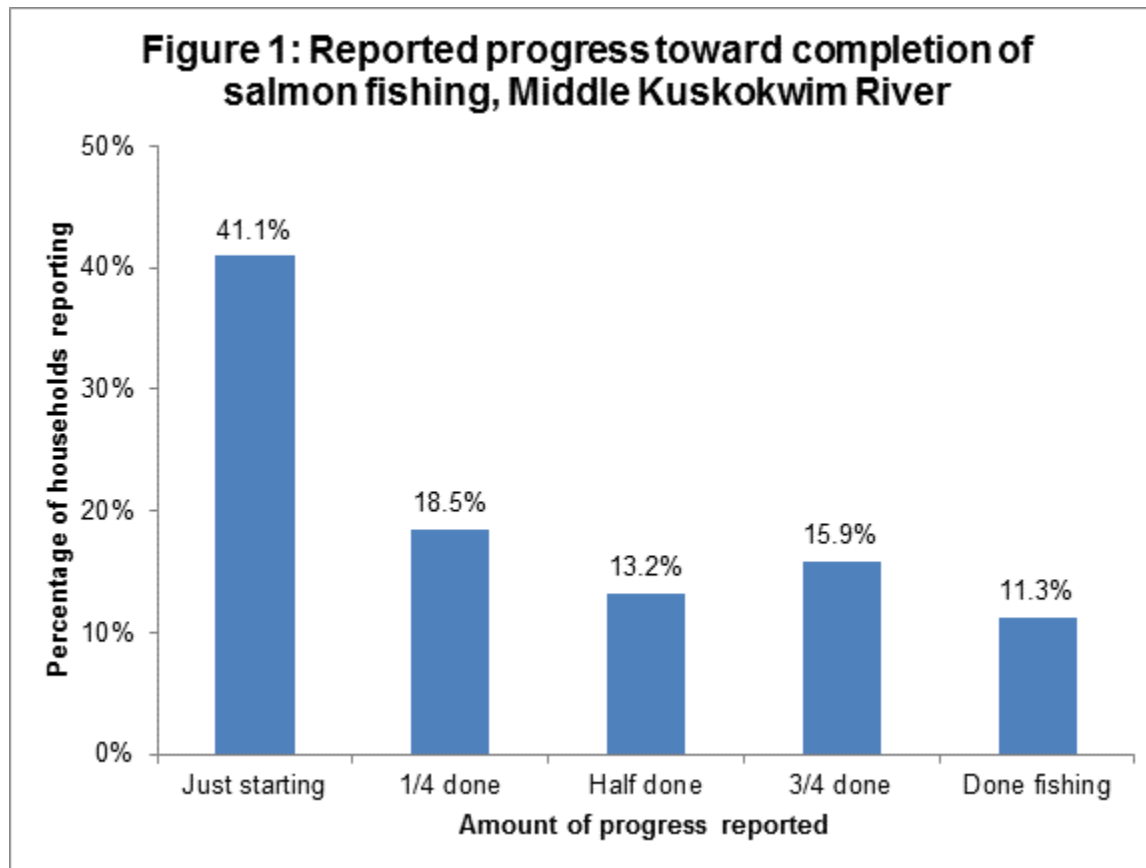
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	5-yr Average	10-yr Average
22-Jul					94			1,525					1,525	810
23-Jul										2,960			2,960	2,960
24-Jul									1,562				1,562	1,562
25-Jul					90									90
26-Jul							3,603			5,785			4,694	4,694
27-Jul								5,688	2,912				4,300	4,300
28-Jul						14,516								14,516
29-Jul														
30-Jul	9,462				119		6,049			8,968			7,509	5,045
31-Jul									3,485				3,485	3,485
1-Aug			10,309	19,133		16,846								15,429
2-Aug		8,666			150									4,408
3-Aug	23,957							12,563	6,958				9,761	9,761
4-Aug			10,650			19,337								14,994
5-Aug		21,463												21,463
6-Aug	28,638			15,926	12,013	380	17,246			23,461			20,354	13,805
7-Aug									5,148				5,148	5,148
8-Aug			14,162		13,552	16,224								14,646
9-Aug		20,026												20,026
10-Aug	20,022			13,059				8,660	5,209	30,972			14,947	14,475
11-Aug			23,209			15,569					23,999		23,999	20,926
12-Aug							7,274						7,274	7,274
13-Aug	20,353				19,667	3,709				8,077			8,077	10,484
14-Aug				15,411							32,570		32,570	23,991
15-Aug		7,768	18,253		20,140									15,387
16-Aug									7,996				7,996	7,996
17-Aug	8,491			6,231				4,557		12,778			8,668	7,855
18-Aug			7,833			10,189					26,395		26,395	14,806
19-Aug														
20-Aug	9,287				7,017					11,630			11,630	9,324
21-Aug									2,838		18,809		10,824	10,824
22-Aug			6,004	3,993	6,280	6,419								5,674
23-Aug	19,068									5,447			5,447	5,447
24-Aug	18,642			3,085										3,085
25-Aug		6,549	5,427		5,242									5,739
26-Aug											10,400		10,400	10,400
27-Aug	13,535													
28-Aug			2,593											2,593
29-Aug														
30-Aug	11,563		1,334											1,334
31-Aug														
Total	183,018	64,472	99,774	76,838	84,364	103,189	34,172	32,993	36,108	110,078	112,173		65,105	75,416
22-Jul to 1-Aug	9,462	0	10,309	19,133	303	31,362	9,652	7,213	7,959	17,713	0	0	8,507	10,364
2-Aug to 8-Aug	52,595	30,129	24,812	15,926	25,715	35,941	17,246	12,563	12,106	23,461	0		13,075	19,790
9-Aug to 14-Aug	40,375	20,026	23,209	28,470	19,667	19,278	7,274	8,660	5,209	39,049	56,569		23,352	22,741
15-Aug to 31-Aug	80,586	14,317	41,444	13,309	38,679	16,608	0	4,557	10,834	29,855	55,604		20,170	22,521

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Summary of results from Middle Kuskokwim inseason subsistence salmon assessment surveys, July 12-27 (Kalskag, Aniak, Chuathbaluk, Red Devil, Sleetmute, and Stony River)

ADF&G Subsistence Division

Table 1: Survey Coverage (July 12-27)								
Community	Kalskag	Aniak	Chuathbaluk	Crooked Creek	Red Devil	Sleetmute	Stony River	All Communities
Total number households surveyed	48	72	20	22	10	28	10	210
Percentage households surveyed	36.1%	37.7%	60.6%	59.5%	66.7%	71.8%	66.7%	45.4%
Number surveyed households that fish for salmon	33	56	15	15	6	18	8	151

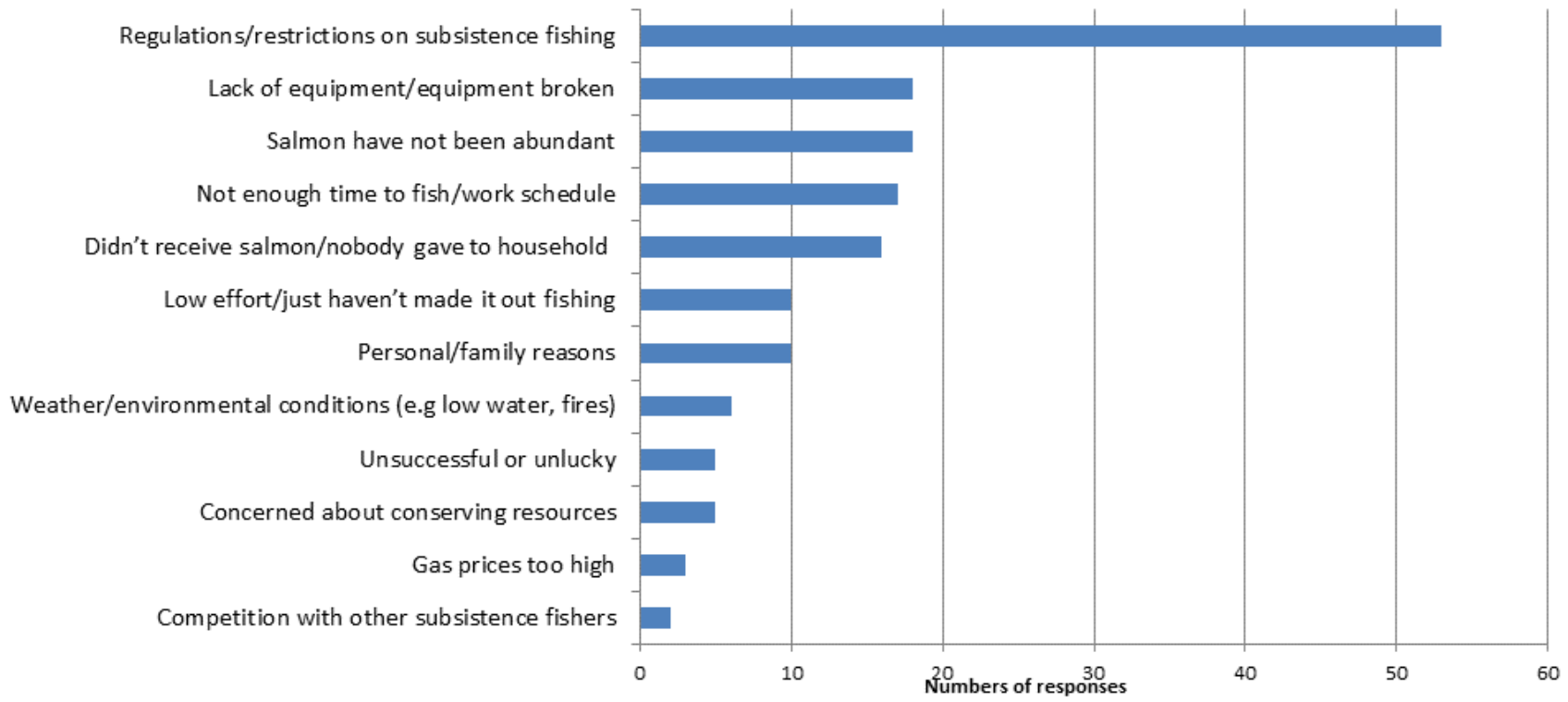


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Table 2: Estimated Coho Harvest Need

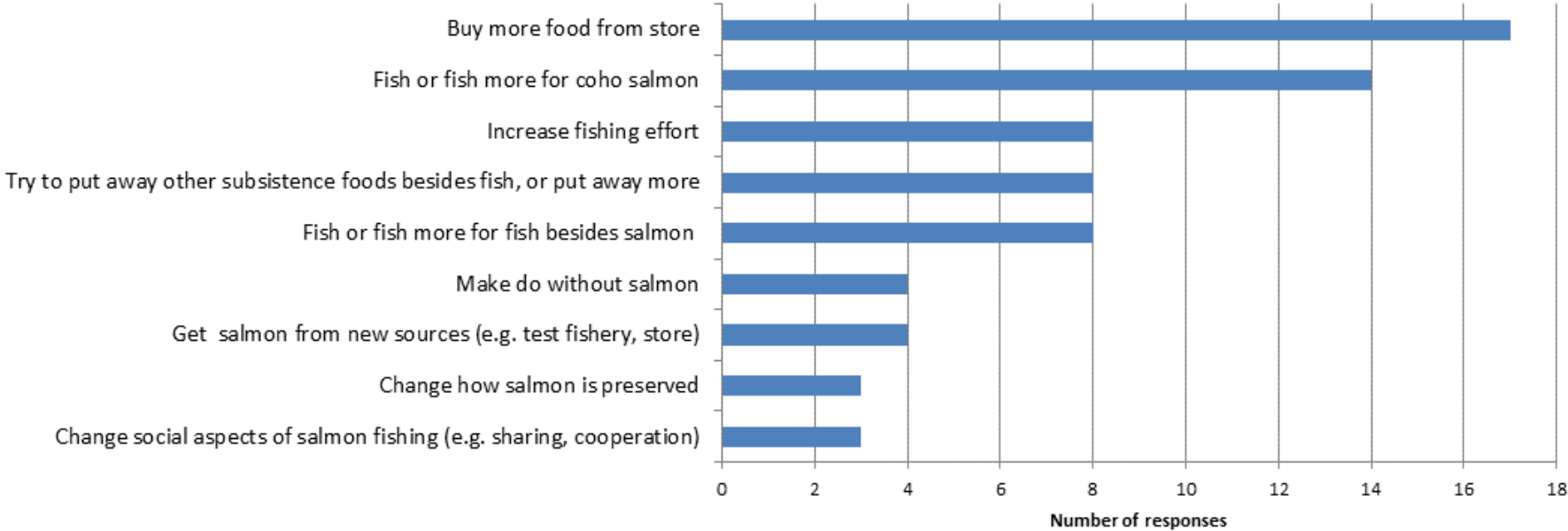
Community	Kalskag	Aniak	Chuathbaluk	Crooked Creek	Red Devil	Sleetmute	Stony River	All Communities
Average # of coho salmon fishing households would like to harvest	46	23	39	56	35	36	27	35
Estimated number of coho salmon that community would like to harvest	4,100	3,000	900	950	300	900	350	10,500
10 Year average coho salmon harvest (2003-2013)	1,385	2,158	316	412	196	485	415	5,367
Percent deviation from 10-yr avg	296.0%	140.8%	284.8%	229.8%	153.1%	185.6%	84.3%	195.6%

Figure 2: Houses that described not getting enough salmon this summer were asked why not. Frequent responses fell into the following categories:



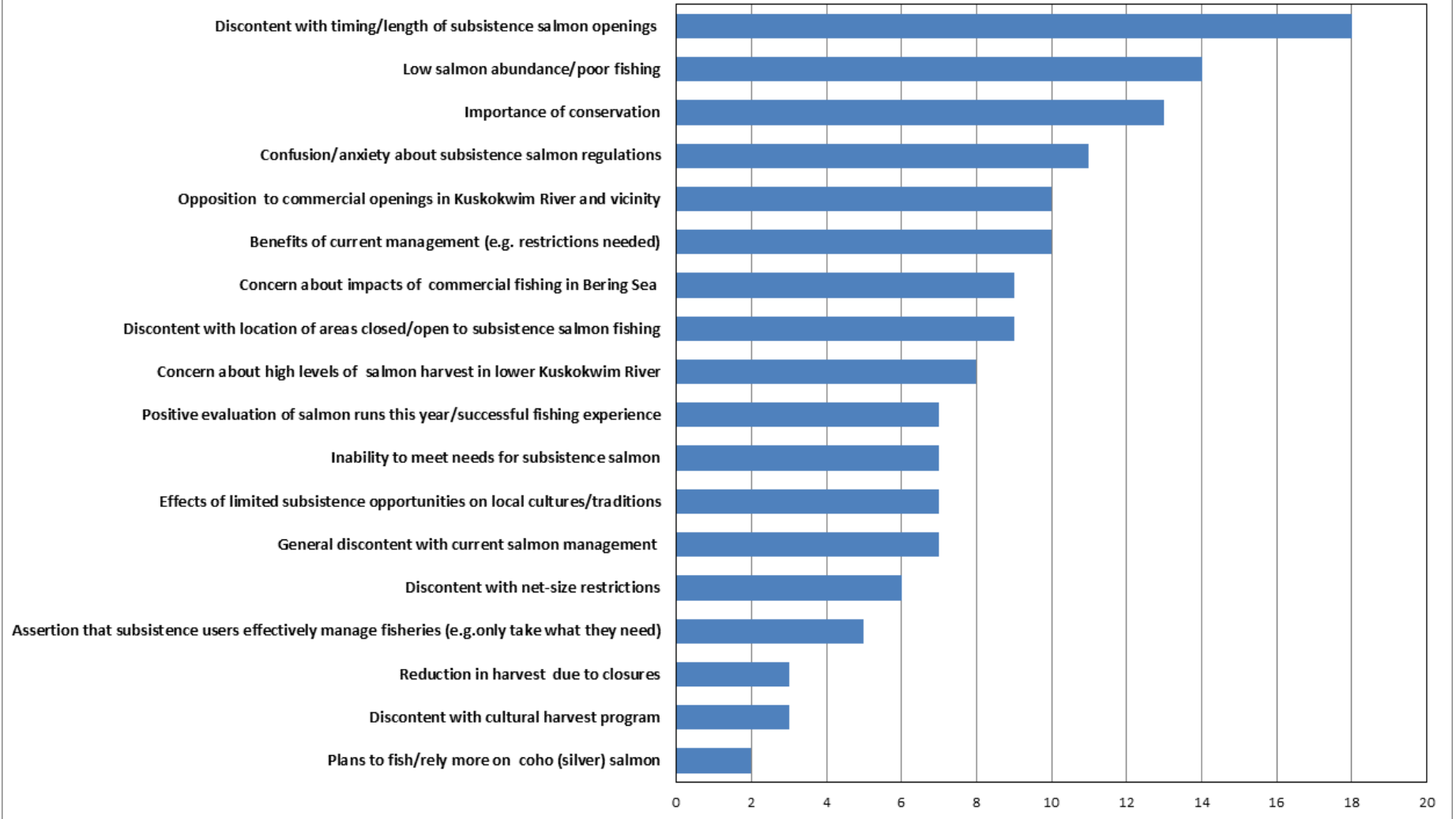
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Figure 3: Some middle river residents described what they plan to do differently because they have not yet gotten enough salmon. Common responses fell into the following categories:



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Figure 4: Many middle river residents provided comments that were not otherwise captured on the survey form. The most frequent comments fell into the following categories:



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2015 Kuskokwim River Salmon Fisheries Update #7

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) works cooperatively with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), National Park Service, and various Tribal or community groups to monitor the health of Kuskokwim Area salmon stocks and provide data for inseason management.

ADF&G ensures that all assessment data are publicly available inseason. Detailed project summaries are prepared each week and presented to the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Working Group. Management meetings are held each Wednesday at the ADF&G office in Bethel. Working Group meetings are open to the public, in person or via teleconference. Project summaries and associated meeting materials are available online by 5:00 PM Tuesday during the salmon season. In addition, select data are available daily by 10:00 AM.

Working Group Information Packets:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareakuskokwim.kswg>

Inseason Bethel Test Fish and Escapement Monitoring Data:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareakuskokwim.salmon#fishcounts>

Assessment Overview

The Chinook salmon run is nearing completion in the lower and middle portions of the Kuskokwim River. It appears that the run timing was average but very protracted compared to previous years. Bethel Test Fishery indicates that the run was modestly larger compared to recent years. Weir escapements suggest that the peak of the Chinook salmon escapement has been observed at tributary monitoring locations. Established weir-based escapement goals have been achieved on the Kwethluk, Kogrukuk, and George Rivers. Aerial survey assessments of peak spawning abundance are underway. A total of 10 aerial surveys have been completed, 4 of which have established escapement goals. The aerial survey goal was exceeded at the Salmon River

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(Pitka Fork), achieved at the Kisaralik River, and not achieved at the Holitna River (mainstem) or Gagaryah River. Overall, escapements are improved compared to recent years, which indicate that the conservation measures and sacrifices by local subsistence users were effective. It is too soon to determine the adequacy of drainage-wide escapement, but the inseason evidence is encouraging.

The sockeye salmon run is nearing completion in the lower and middle portions of the Kuskokwim River. It appears that the run was late and strong compared to prior years. Record numbers of sockeye salmon have passed the Kwethluk River and Telaquana Lake weirs. However, relatively few sockeye salmon have been observed at the Kogrukluuk or Salmon (Aniak) Rivers. It appears that the sockeye escapement to the Kogrukluuk River is very late. Inseason projections based on late run timing indicate that the established escapement goal for Kogrukluuk River sockeye salmon could be achieved.

The chum salmon run continues to be weak; however, escapement may be adequate. Overall, the data collected to date indicates that the 2015 chum salmon run may be one of the lowest on record. Chum salmon escapements are below average at all projects except the Kwethluk River, where escapement is average. There is considerable evidence that the established escapement goal on the Kogrukluuk River will be achieved. Conservation for chum salmon was warranted.

ADF&G has shifted toward coho salmon management in the lower river. The Bethel Test Fishery indicates that coho salmon are building and will soon surpass chum salmon as the most abundant species in the lower river. It is too soon to accurately project the coho salmon run strength. A few coho salmon have been observed at upriver weirs indicating that the beginning of the coho salmon run, which was observed in the lower river in early July, is likely passing through the middle river.

Chinook Salmon Tagging

ADF&G has completed Chinook salmon tagging efforts downstream of Bethel near Fowler Island. A total of 1,212 Chinook salmon were tagged with brightly colored external tags of which 623 were also radiotagged. The purpose of this study was to estimate the total number of Chinook salmon that return to the Kuskokwim River in 2015 and monitor the migration timing and speed of tagged fish as they travel through the primary harvest areas towards their spawning grounds.

Radio tagged fish are being monitored as they migrate upriver using aerial surveys and tracking towers located between Bethel and McGrath. On average, tagged fish are swimming 21.4 miles per day. Approximately 80% of the tagged fish are upriver from Tuluksak, 61% are upriver from Chuathbaluk, 41% are upriver from Sleetmute, and 15% are upriver from McGrath. Fish bound for headwaters tributaries had an earlier median tag date compared to fish bound for other portions of the Kuskokwim River drainage. Fish bound for lower river tributaries did not conform to our expectation of late arrival timing into the Kuskokwim River. Rather, lower river fish were captured throughout the study, and had an earlier median tag date compared to fish bound for middle river tributaries.

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ADF&G is conducting a Salmon Tag Lottery. Tagged fish are identifiable by a brightly colored plastic tag attached to their back, and a metal antennae coming out of their mouth. *It is okay if you harvest one of these tagged fish.* If you do, please call 1-800-267-2104 and return the radio tag to the ADF&G office in Bethel. In appreciation, you will be entered into the monthly Lottery and eligible for a cash prize of \$200 and a seasonal cash prize of \$500.

Bethel Test Fishery

Bethel Test Fishery (BTF) is the primary inseason run assessment tool for Kuskokwim River salmon and is operated the same way each year. The daily Catch Per Unit Effort (CPUE) is used to index run timing and relative abundance of Chinook, chum, sockeye, and coho salmon. These data have only limited utility for estimating total run size or escapement. *The 2015 data is not directly comparable to prior years due to subsistence fishing restrictions.* The Bethel Test Fishery continues to operate on schedule.

Small numbers of Chinook salmon are still being caught in the lower Kuskokwim River. Cumulative CPUE as of July 27 is 610, which is above both the recent 5- and 10-year averages for this date. However, recent years include some of the lowest run sizes on record. On average, 99% of the Chinook salmon run has passed Bethel as of July 27. It appears that the timing of the Chinook salmon run was average but protracted compared to past years.

Small numbers of sockeye salmon are still being caught in the lower Kuskokwim River. As of July 27, cumulative CPUE is 2,121, which is well above the 5- and 10-year averages for this date. On average, 99% of the sockeye salmon run has passed Bethel as of July 27. The 2015 run was late compared to past years.

Modest numbers of chum salmon continue to be caught in the lower Kuskokwim River. As of July 27, cumulative CPUE is 2,621. The cumulative CPUE is well below the 5- and 10-year averages. It appears that daily CPUE peaked between July 14 and July 22, which is late compared to all past years. The average mid-point of the chum salmon run past Bethel is July 4. The latest midpoint on record is July 14. On average, 96% of the chum salmon run has passed Bethel as of July 27.

The coho salmon run is beginning to build in the lower river. As of July 27, cumulative CPUE is 244, which is similar to the 5- and 10-year average. The CPUE to date is about half of what was observed in 2014 which was a large run. The historical midpoint of the coho salmon run is August 8. Coho salmon currently make up about 50% of all salmon passing Bethel. We expect this percentage to increase over the coming week as coho salmon abundance increases and the runs of other species come to an end. ADF&G has shifted toward coho salmon management.

Aniak Test Fishery

The Aniak Test Fishery was operated from June 1 until July 14 by the Native Village of Napaimute and ADF&G. *The 2015 data is not directly comparable to CPUE observed at the Bethel Test Fishery.*

The last day of project operations was July 14. Daily CPUE data indicate that the peak of the Chinook salmon run passed through the Aniak area between June 17 and June 27. The peak of

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the sockeye salmon run passed between July 5 and July 12. Highest catches of chum salmon were between July 3 and July 12; however, the project may have ended too soon to observed the peak of the run past Aniak. Chinook salmon were the most abundant salmon species in the Aniak area throughout much of the month of June. The combined abundance of chum salmon and sockeye salmon exceeded that of Chinook salmon in late June. The relative abundance of chum salmon was lower than expected. The Aniak Test Fishery proved to be an informative tool for evaluating the run timing and relative abundance of salmon species in the middle portion of the Kuskokwim River.

Kwethluk River Weir

The Kwethluk River weir is operated by USFWS and used to index salmon escapement to the lower Kuskokwim River tributaries. As of July 27, a total of 7,474 Chinook salmon, 17,339 chum salmon, 8,001 sockeye salmon, and 91 coho salmon have been counted past the weir. The Chinook salmon escapement is considerably larger compared to recent years at this location. Chum salmon escapement is similar to the long-term average for this date. Sockeye salmon escapement to date is the largest on record for this location. It is still very early in the coho salmon run at this location. On average, the midpoint of the coho salmon run is August 26.

A sustainable escapement goal of 4,100–7,500 Chinook salmon has been established by ADF&G for this river. The lower bound of the Chinook salmon escapement goal was achieved on July 15, and it is likely that escapement will exceed the upper bound of the goal.

Tuluksak River Weir

The Tuluksak River weir is operated by USFWS. As of July 27, a total of 561 Chinook salmon, 4,237 chum salmon, 553 sockeye salmon, and 3 coho salmon have been counted past the weir. Chinook salmon escapement is larger than the recent 5-year average but smaller than the long-term historical average for this date. Chum salmon escapement is the lowest on record for this date. It is still very early in the coho salmon run at this location. On average, the midpoint of the coho salmon run is August 26.

No salmon escapement goals have been established by ADF&G for this river.

Salmon River (Aniak River) Weir

The Salmon River (Aniak) weir is operated by ADF&G and used to index salmon escapement to the Aniak River drainage. As of July 27, a total of 1,755 Chinook salmon, 3,091 chum salmon, 208 sockeye salmon, and 3 coho salmon have been counted past the weir. Cumulative Chinook salmon and sockeye salmon escapement to date is similar to the long-term average for this location. Chum salmon escapement is greater than 2014, but is the second lowest on record. It is still early in the sockeye salmon and coho salmon runs at this location. On average, the midpoint of the escapement past the weir is August 6 for sockeye salmon and September 1 for coho salmon.

No weir-based salmon escapement goals have been established by ADF&G for this river.

George River Weir

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The George River weir is operated by ADF&G and used to index salmon escapement to middle Kuskokwim River tributaries. As of July 27, a total of 2,112 Chinook salmon, 11,727 chum salmon, and 8 coho salmon have been counted past the weir. Chinook and chum salmon escapement to date is below the historical average for this location. It is still very early in the coho salmon run at this location. On average, the midpoint of the coho salmon escapement is August 28.

A sustainable escapement goal of 1,800–3,300 Chinook salmon has been established by ADF&G for this river. The lower bound of the Chinook salmon escapement goal was achieved on July 15.

Tatlawiksuk River Weir

The Tatlawiksuk River weir is operated by ADF&G and used to index salmon escapement to middle Kuskokwim River tributaries. Operations were interrupted on July 19 due to high water and normal operations were resumed on July 20. As of July 27, a total of 2,046 Chinook salmon, 8,737 chum salmon, and 10 coho salmon have been counted past the weir. Chinook salmon escapement to date is the third largest on record for this location. Chum salmon escapement is well below average, and is the fourth lowest on record. It is still very early in the coho salmon run at this location. On average, the midpoint of the coho salmon escapement is August 23. No salmon escapement goals have been established by ADF&G for this river.

Kogrukluk River Weir

The Kogrukluk River weir is operated by ADF&G and used to index salmon escapement to the Holitna River drainage. Operations were interrupted on July 17 due to high water and normal operations were resumed on July 20. As of July 27, a total of 5,986 Chinook salmon, 13,262 chum salmon, 2,326 sockeye salmon, and 5 coho salmon were counted past the weir. Escapement at this location is below average for all salmon species. It is still very early in the coho salmon run at this location. On average, the midpoint of the coho salmon escapement is September 1.

Sustainable escapement goals have been established by ADF&G for Chinook salmon (4,800–8,800), chum salmon (15,000–49,000), sockeye salmon (4,400–17,000), and coho salmon (13,000–28,000). The lower bound of the Chinook salmon goal was achieved on July 23. It is likely that the chum salmon goal will be achieved. There is considerable evidence that the sockeye salmon goal may not be achieved. However, recent increases in daily escapement of sockeye salmon indicate late arrival timing at the weir. Inseason projections based on late run timing indicate that the sockeye salmon goal could be achieved.

Telaquana Lake Weir

The Telaquana Lake weir is operated cooperatively by ADF&G and National Park Service. The weir is used to index escapement for lake-spawning sockeye salmon. As of July 27, a total of 61,347 sockeye salmon have been observed past the weir. Cumulative escapement to date is the largest on record for this location and is nearly three times the historical average.

Salmon River (Pitka Fork) Weir

The Salmon River (Pitka Fork) weir is operated by ADF&G and MTNT (McGrath, Takotna, Nikolai, Telida) and used to index Chinook salmon escapement to the headwaters upriver from

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McGrath. As of July 27, a total of 5,620 Chinook salmon and 28 chum salmon have passed the weir. This is the first year that this weir has operated since 1982. The location of the weir has changed since that time, and no comparable data exists.

District W4

The Kanektok River weir is used to monitor escapement to District W4 and has been in operation since June 22. As of July 27, total passage through the weir is 7,389 Chinook salmon, 85,213 sockeye salmon, 8,868 chum salmon, and 82 coho salmon. Chinook salmon escapement is above average for this date, while the escapement of sockeye, chum, and coho salmon are below average. Chum salmon escapement in particular is well below the historical average of 36,413.

There have been a total of 9 commercial openers in District W4. The first commercial opener was July 3. Total harvest to date is 7,252 Chinook salmon, 28,003 sockeye salmon, 14,050 chum salmon and 775 coho salmon. Harvest is below average for all species. Commercial fishing has been temporarily suspended in District W4 to allow for additional escapement of chum salmon.

District W5

The Middle Fork Goodnews River weir is used to monitor escapement to District 5 and has been in operation since June 25. As of July 27, total passage through the weir is 1,168 Chinook salmon, 50,961 sockeye salmon, and 7,017 chum salmon. No coho salmon have been observed. Sockeye salmon escapement has exceeded the upper bound of the biological escapement goal (18,000–40,000 fish). Chinook salmon escapement is below average for this location. Chum salmon escapement is well below the historical average of 20,337.

There have been a total of 9 commercial openers in District W5. The first commercial opener was July 3. Total harvest to date is 661 Chinook salmon, 23,622 sockeye salmon, 4,289 chum salmon, and 87 coho salmon. Harvest is below average for all species. Commercial fishing has been temporarily suspended in District W5 to allow for additional escapement of chum salmon.

Tributary Escapement Monitoring – Aerial Surveys

Aerial surveys of peak Chinook salmon spawning abundance began on July 20, progressing from the headwaters to the mouth of the Kuskokwim River. Aerial surveys are an index of escapement to a very broad geographic area – meaning not all fish are counted, but the number of fish observed is related to the number of fish that escaped.

A total of 4 tributaries were surveyed in the headwaters upriver from McGrath: Salmon River of the Pitka Fork; Bear Creek; Little Tonzona; and Sullivan Creek. Only the Salmon River of the Pitka Fork has an established escapement goal (470–1,600). A total of 1,916 Chinook salmon were observed in the Salmon River of the Pitka Fork, exceeding the upper bound of the goal. A total of 1,381 Chinook salmon were observed in Bear Creek, which is the largest count on record for that location. A total of 175 and 62 Chinook salmon were observed in Little Tonzona and Sullivan Creek, respectively.

A total of 5 tributaries were successfully surveyed in the middle portion of the Kuskokwim River: Holitna River mainstem, Chukowan River, Gagaryah River, Holokuk River, and Kipchuck River. Only the Holitna River mainstem and Gagaryah River have established

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escapement goals. A total of 662 Chinook salmon were observed in the index reaches of the Holitna River mainstem, which is below the lower bound of the established escapement goal (970–2,100). Only 19 Chinook salmon were counted in the Gagaryah River which is well below the escapement goal (300–830). A total of 1,073 Chinook salmon were counted in the Chukowan River (tributary of the Holitna River) which is above average for that location. A total of 917 Chinook salmon were observed in the Kipchuk River (tributary of the Aniak River) which is similar to the historical average for that location. Only 77 Chinook salmon were observed in the Holokuk River which is below the historical average. Surveys were attempted on the Oskawalik River, Cheeneetuk River, and Aniak River mainstem, but were not successful due to water conditions.

The Kisaralik River is the only lower river tributary that has been flown to date. A total of 709 Chinook salmon were observed in the index reaches. The established escapement goal of 400–1,200 was achieved.

Inseason Subsistence Harvest Monitoring

Orutsararmiut Native Council (ONC) in coordination with ADF&G collect subsistence fishing reports from Bethel area fish camps in an attempt to understand salmon harvest timing and success. ONC staff visit area fish camps each week during the salmon season, share fisheries updates, and answer questions about research and management. In addition, this project provides an opportunity for subsistence fishermen to share information and feedback with managers. Project updates will be provided every Wednesday by ONC to the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Working Group.

ADF&G Division of Subsistence conducted inseason surveys in the middle river communities of Kalskag, Aniak, Chuathbaluk, Crooked Creek, Red Devil, Sleetmute, and Stony River. Interviews were conducted between July 17 and July 27. A total of 210 households were surveyed (46% of the total). Interview questions were designed to understand what percent of subsistence salmon harvest has been completed and how much additional coho salmon will be needed to make up for harvest restrictions for Chinook salmon and chum salmon.

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