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Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Southeast Alaska salmon drift gillnet fishery will be closed for the remainder of the 2025 season.

Section 15-A: will be closed.

Section 15-C: will be closed.

2025 Drift Gillnet Fishery Summary

Traditional common property drift gillnet openings began June 15 and concluded October 1, 2025. Traditional drift gillnet harvests of all species, except chum salmon, were below recent 10-year (2015–2024) averages. Drift gillnet effort increased slightly by 2 permits from 2024 with 321 permits making landings in traditional and terminal harvest areas (THA) and was well below the recent 10-year average of 390 permits (Table 1).

Table 1. 2025 Southeast Alaska traditional drift gillnet harvest and effort estimates (data as of 10/2/25).

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Boats
101	1,000	12,000	10,000	102,000	319,000	47
106	550	24,000	16,000	79,000	155,000	90
108	600	9,200	8,900	14,000	93,000	77
111	2,300	105,000	26,000	60,000	965,000	118
115	1,200	61,000	23,000	31,000	625,000	141
Total	5,650	211,200	83,900	286,000	2,157,000	321
15-24 Avg	8,485	297,991	179,509	676,034	1,661,610	390

The estimated common property THA drift gillnet harvest is 1.8 million chum salmon, well above the recent average harvest (Table 2).

Table 2. 2025 Southeast Alaska THA drift gillnet harvest estimates (data as of 10/2/25).

THA	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pınk	Chum
Nakat Inlet	150	760	12,000	12,000	400,000
Carroll Inlet	1,100	0	0	0	30
Anita Bay	5,400	80	4,400	760	57,000
Southeast Cove	25	3	0	0	16,000
Speel Arm	10	6,400	300	1,100	500
Deep Inlet	2,300	400	2,200	6,500	186,000
Boat Harbor	180	6,100	200	18,100	1,100,000
Total	9,165	13,743	19,100	38,460	1,759,530
15–24 Avg	10,566	25,082	15,629	80,133	1,022,384

Salmon runs were mixed throughout the region. Chinook salmon production remains poor, and escapement goals will likely be achieved in 6 of 11 index systems, not achieved in 4, and 1 is still too preliminary. Sockeye salmon runs were generally good to excellent throughout the region. Sockeye salmon escapement goals were achieved for the Chilkat, Taku, and Stikine

Rivers, and McDonald, Hugh Smith, Speel, and Redoubt Lakes but, narrowly missed for Chilkoot Lake. Coho salmon escapements are still being evaluated. Wild chum salmon runs were poor to moderate in most areas. The pink salmon run was moderate with an all-gear harvest of 20.7 million fish. Escapement indices for pink salmon are still being calculated, but generally, escapement of pink salmon ranged from poor in areas in Southern Southeast Alaska to excellent in areas in Northern Outside Southeast Alaska.

Detailed summaries of harvest and escapement for each district and THA will be given at this year's Drift Gillnet Task Force meeting on December 2 in Juneau and will be included in the *Annual management report of the 2025 Southeast Alaska commercial purse seine and drift gillnet fisheries*.

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