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## ABSTRACT

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The total return of pink salmon to the Johnstone Strait Study Area for the 1978 - 1984 even year cycle declined from 2.4 million in 1978 and 2.6 million in 1980 , to only 0.8 million in 1982 and 0.6 million in 1984. These returns represent a below average mean return to escapement ratio of $1.4: 1$. Commercial pink catches in the Study Area also declined from 1.3 million in 1978 and 1.2 million in 1980, to only 0.2 million in 1982 and 1984. These catches represent stock exploitation of $25.3 \%$ to $56.2 \%$. The number of days fishing during the pink and sockeye fishery declined, while the effectiveness of the fleet increased. Harvesting of pink salmon generally peaked around the end of July and beginning of August. Most of the annual pink harvest ( $83-87 \%$ ) came from Area 12 , and the majority of annual catch ( $73-85 \%$ ) was taken by seines.

Pink escapements declined from 1.0 million in 1978 and 1.4 million in 1980, to 0.6 million in 1982 and 0.4 million in 1984. The latter two values were well below the estimated optimum of 1.5 million for the Study Area. Only the Bond to Knight sub-area showed adequate escapements during the study period.

The total catch of sockeye in the Study Area commercial fishery for $1978,1980,1982$ and 1984 was 3.5 million, 1.1 million, 1.8 million and 1.2 million respectively. Majority of the sockeye catches consisted of the Fraser River stocks which showed total returns during the respective years of 9.5 million, 3.1 million, 13.9 million and 5.9 million. Harvesting of sockeye salmon generally peaked around mid-August. As with the Study Area pinks, most of the annual sockeye harvest ( $63-71 \%$ ) came from Area 12 , and the majority of annual catch ( $76-91 \%$ ) was taken by seines.

Sockeye escapements to the Study Area increased from 17,100 in 1978 and 31,400 in 1980 , to 75,900 in 1982 and 54,100 in 1984. This increasing trend was due mainly to the increasing escapement of the Nimpkish stock as a result of protective measures introduced in 1980.

Key words: pink salmon, Johnstone Strait Study Area, fishery, escapement, sockeye salmon.

## RÉSUMÉ

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La remonte de saumons roses dans la zone d'étude du détroit de Johnstone pendant le cycle des années paires de 1978 à 1984 est passée de 2,4 millions en 1978 et de 2,6 millions en 1980 à seulement 0,8 million en 1982 et à 0,6 million en 1984. Ces remontes correspondent à un rapport moyen inférieur à la moyenne de la remonte par rapport à l'échappée de 1,4 : 1 . Les prises comerciales de saumons roses dans la zone d'étude sont également passées de 1,3 million en 1978 et de 1,2 million en 1980 à seulement 0,2 million en 1982 et 1984. Ces prises correspondent à une exploitation du stock de $25,3 \%$ à $56,2 \%$. Le nombre de journées de pêche pendant la période de pêche au saumon rose (et au saumon rouge) a diminué, tandis que l'efficacité de la flottille a augmenté. La capture du saumon rose est maximale vers la fin de juillet et le début du mois d'aout. Presque toutes les prises annuelles de saumon rose ( $83-87 \%$ ) provenaient de la zone 12 , et la majorité des captures annuelles ( $73-85 \%$ ) ont été effectuées à la senne.

Les échappées de saumon rose ont chuté, passant de 1,0 miliion en 1978 et 1,4 million en 1980 à 0,6 million en 1982 et 0,4 million en 1984 . Les deux dernières valeurs sont bien en dessous de la valeur optimale estimée de 1,5 million pour la zone d'étude. On a relevé des échappées appropriées seulement dans la sous-zone Bond jusqu'à Knight pendant la période d'étude.

Les prises totales de saumon rouge dans la zone d'étude des pêches commerciales pour 1978, 1980, 1982 et 1984 étaient respectivement de 3,5 millions, 1,1 million, 1,8 million et 1,2 million. Presque tous les saumons rouges capturés provenaient des stocks du Fraser dont la remonte de saumons au cours de ces années s'est élevée à 9,5 millions, 3,1 millions, 13,9 millions et 5,9 millions. C'est en général vers la mi-août que les captures de saumon rouge atteignaient leur valeur maximale. Comme dans le cas de la zone d'étude des saumons roses, presque toutes les prises annuelles de saumon rouge ont été effectuées ( $63-71 \%$ ) dans la zone 12, et la majorité des prises annuelles ( $76-91 \%$ ) ont été effectuées à la senne.

Les échappées de saumon rouge vers la zone d'étude sont passées de 17100 en 1978 et de 31400 en 1980 à 75900 en 1982 et à 54100 en 1984. Cette tendance à la hausse était due surtout à l'échappée croissante du stock de la Nimpkish découlant des mesures de protection introduites en 1980.

Mots-clés: saumon rose, zone d'étude du détroit de Johnstone, pêches, échappée, saumon rouge.

The even year pink salmon stocks in the Johnstone Strait Study Area have been analyzed and reported bi-annually since 1962. This report is one of a series which combines and condenses the catch and escapement information, and the management considerations for the Study Area for the 1978, 1980, 1982 and 1984 seasons. Also included is a review of the Study Area sockeye stocks and the Fraser River sockeye catches in Johnstone Strait.

The Johnstone Strait Study Area contains the largest interception fishery in British Columbia. It consists of the Johnstone Strait region and that portion of the Strait of Georgia north of the International Pacific Salmon Fishery Commission (IPSFC) Convention Area (Fig. 1). For management purposes, the Study Area is divided into Statistical Areas (Fig. 2) and sub-areas or management units (Fig. 3).

Approximately 60 streams contribute to the Study Area pink stocks. In contrast to the odd year cycle when some pink stocks enter the Johnstone Strait enroute to spawning streams outside the Study Area, all even year pink stocks spawn within the Study Area, north of the Mid-Vancouver Island and Loughborough to Bute Inlet sub-areas.

In addition to the Study Area pink stocks, a major segment of the Fraser River sockeye population has migrated through Johnstone Strait in recent years. The recent shift in the migration route of Fraser River sockeye through Johnstone Strait was coupled with an increase in fleet size and overall fishing efficiency in Johnstone Strait.

Sufficient exploitation of migrating sockeye through Johnstone Strait is a major consideration in the overall management plan for the Study Area. At the same time, protection of the Study Area pink salmon and Nimpkish sockeye must be considered in the overall Johnstone Strait management strategy.

## FISHERY

## SEASON REVIEWS

## 1978 Season

For 1978, an above average return of 4.6 million pink salmon was projected and was expected to be composed primarily of those stocks returning to Area 12 Mainland Inlets. In addition, the abundance of sockeye, mainly the Fraser River segment migrating via Johnstone Strait, was expected to total 1.5 million, based on the predicted total return of 6.5 million Fraser River sockeye. A summary of the 1978 season including days fished, gear counts, and major regulations is outlined for Areas 12 and 13 in Appendix 1 .


Fig. 1. The Johnstone Strait Study Area showing major pink salmon stock groups.


Fig. 2. Statistical Area map for the southern British Columbia showing Areas $11-16$ and the Johnstone Strait Study Area.

showing statistical sub-areas or management units.

The 1978 catch of pink salmon within the Study Area totalled 1.3 million (Table 1). This was below the average catch for even year stocks (1.6 million) and also below the anticipated catch, largely due to a weaker than expected return of the Study Area pink salmon. A total of 3.5 million sockeye were taken (Table 2), mainly from stocks returning to the Fraser River. This catch was some 2.6 million greater than anticipated due to a much larger than expected diversion through Johnstone Strait ( $58 \%$ ) and a larger than expected total return of the Fraser River stocks ( 9.5 million, IPSFC 1979).

## 1980 Season

For 1980, an above average return of 4.5 million pink salmon was projected and was expected to be composed primarily of those stocks returning to Area 12 Mainland Inlets. In addition, the abundance of sockeye, mainly the Fraser River segment migrating via Johnstone Strait, was expected to total 0.7 million, based on the predicted total return of 3.2 million Fraser River sockeye. A summary of the 1980 season including days fished, gear counts, and major regulations is outlined for Areas 12 and 13 in Appendix 2.

The 1980 catch of pink salmon within the Study Area totalled 1.2 million (Table 1). This was below the anticipated catch due to a weaker than expected return to escapement ratio and a concerted effort to increase escapements. A total of 1.1 million sockeye were taken (Table 2), mainly from stocks returning to the Fraser River. This catch was some 0.7 million greater than anticipated and was the result of a record high northern diversion rate of $70 \%$ (IPSFC 1981).

## 1982 Season

For 1982, a below average return of 1.2 million pink salmon was projected as a result of severe environmental damage in 1980 when up to $75 \%$ of the spawn was destroyed in some areas. Only the Mid-Vancouver Island and Bond to Knight Inlet stocks were expected to provide surplus return to escapement requirements. The abundance of sockeye, mainly the fraser River segment migrating via Johnstone Strait, was expected to total about 5 million, based on the predicted total return of 10 million Fraser River sockeye. A summary of the 1982 season including days fished, gear counts, and major regulations is outlined for Areas 12 and 13 in Appendix 3.

The 1982 catch of pink salmon within the Study Area totalled just under 0.2 million (Table 1). This was slightly less than anticipated due to a concerted effort to increase escapements. A total of 1.8 million sockeye were taken (Table 2), mainly from stocks returning to the Fraser River. This catch was lower than predicted, despite a greater than expected total return of Fraser River sockeye ( 13.9 million), and was due to a much smaller northern diversion rate (22\%) than anticipated (IPSFC 1983).

## 1984 Season

For 1984 , a below average return of 1.5 million pink salmon was projected. In addition, the abundance of sockeye, mainly the Fraser River segment migrating via Johnstone Strait, was expected to total 1.3 million,

Table 1. Pink salmon catch by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1978-1984 (even years).

| YEAR | GILLNET | SEINE | TROLL | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

1978

Area 11
11,794
Area 12
Area 13
Area 14
Area 15
Area 16
Total
Percent by gear
1980
Area 11
Area 12
Area 13
Area 14
Area 15
Area 16
Total
Percent by gear
1982
Area 11
Area 12
Area 13
Area 14
Area 15
Area 16
Total
Percent by gear
1984

| Area 11 | 1,618 | 0 | 11,926 | 13,544 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 12 | 25,682 | 163,582 | 2,076 | 191,340 |  |
| Area 13 | 280 | 23,505 | 575 | 24,360 |  |
| Area 14 | 403 | 0 | 0 | 1,634 | 2,037 |
| Area 15 | 290 | 453 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Area 16 | 28,273 | 187,540 | 9 | 752 |  |
| tal | $(12.2)$ | $(80.8)$ | 16,220 | 232,033 |  |
| rcent by gear | $(7.0)$ | $(100.0)$ |  |  |  |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO; (see also Appendices 5-8).

Table 2. Sockeye salmon catch by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1978-1984 (even years)a

| YEAR | GILLNET | SEINE | TROLL | TOTAL |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1978 | 21,416 | 0 | 118,751 | 140,167 |
| Area 11 | 250,104 | $2,078,952$ | 86,234 | $2,415,290$ |
| Area 12 | 23,726 | 837,911 | 35,595 | 897,232 |
| Area 13 | 27 | 0 | 2,985 | 3,012 |
| Area 14 | 0,783 | 30,878 | 401 | 401 |
| Area 15 | 30,056 | $2,947,741$ | 246,288 | $3,494,085$ |
| Area 16 | $(8.6)$ | $(84.4)$ | $(7.0)$ | $(100.0)$ |

1980

| Area 11 | 2,712 | 1,255 | 6,467 | 10,434 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 12 | 56,998 | 624,575 | 7,277 | 688,850 |
| Area 13 | 13,469 | 283,086 | 4,083 | 300,638 |
| Area 14 | 9 | 0 | 438 | 447 |
| Area 15 | 0 | 0 | 243 | 243 |
| Area 16 | 4,872 | 84,916 | 889 | 90,677 |
| tal | 78,060 | 993,832 | 19,397 | $1,091,289$ |
| rcent by gear | $(7.2)$ | $(91.1)$ | $(1.8)$ | $(100.0)$ |

1982

| Area 11 | 18,958 | 0 | 20,451 | 39,409 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 12 | 207,863 | 956,838 | 21,279 | $1,185,980$ |  |
| Area | 13 | 23,973 | 403,583 | 37,809 | 465,365 |
| Area 14 | 1 | 0 | 2,562 | 2,563 |  |
| Area 15 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 22 |  |

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Area } 16 & 5,726 & 102,120 & 19,078 & 126,924\end{array}$
Total
Percent by gear
$256,521 \quad 1,462,541 \quad 101,201 \quad 1,820,263$

1984

| Area 11 | 15,655 | 0 | 3,404 | 19,059 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 12 | 244,441 | 639,698 | 2,795 | 886,934 |  |
| Area 13 | 16,768 | 255,764 | 3,959 | 276,491 |  |
| Area 14 | 59 | 0 | 15 | 933 | 1,007 |
| Area 15 | 12,254 | 51,381 | 23 | 23 |  |
| Area 16 | 289,177 | 946,858 | 1,346 | 64,981 |  |
| al | $(23.2)$ | $(75.8)$ | 12,460 | $1,248,495$ |  |
| cent by gear | $(1,0)$ | $(100.0)$ |  |  |  |

${ }^{\text {a Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO; (see also }}$ Appendices9-12).
based on the predicted total return of 3.2 million Fraser River sockeye. A summary of the 1984 season including days fished, gear counts, and major regulations is outlined for Areas 12 and 13 in Appendix 4.

The 1984 catch of pink salmon within the Study Area totalled just over 0.2 million (Table 1) and was below the anticipated catch. In addition, a total of 1.2 million sockeye were taken (Table 2), mainly from stocks returning to the Fraser River. This catch was greater than expected due to a greater than expected total return of the Fraser River sockeye ( 5.9 million). The northern diversion rate of Fraser River sockeye in 1984 was $31 \%$ (IPSFC 1985).

CATCH BY AREA AND STOCK GROUP

Percent catch of pink and sockeye salmon by area during the 1978 to 1984 period is shown below (calculated from Tables 1 and 2). Most of the annual pink ( $83-87 \%$ ) and sockeye ( $63-71 \%$ ) catches came from Area 12 , with Area 13 providing a secondary catch contribution for both salmon species.

| Year | \% of Study Area pink catch |  |  | \% of Study Area sockeye catch |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Area 12 | Area 13 | Area 11 | Area 12 | Area 13 | Area 16 |
| 1978 | 87.4 | 7.1 | 5.2 | 69.1 | 25.7 | 1.1* |
| 1980 | 87.2 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 63.1 | 27.5 | 8.3 |
| 1982 | 83.9 | 10.0 | 4.6 | 65.2 | 25.6 | 7.0 |
| 1984 | 82.5 | 10.5 | 5.8 | 71.0 | 22.1 | 5.2 |

*Area $11=4.0 \%$
The Bond to Knight pink salmon were the dominant stock group harvested in the Johnstone Strait Study Area in all the years considered, as confirmed by the escapement records (see Escapement section). The Fraser River sockeye were the dominant sockeye group harvested in the Study Area, contributing over $95 \%$ to the total sockeye catch (see Total Stock - Sockeye Salmon section).

CATCH BY GEAR

Annual catches by gear type are shown for each Statistical Area in Table 1 for pink salmon and Table 2 for sockeye salmon. Percent catch by gear for each species is summarized below.

|  | Pinks |  |  |  |  | Sockeye |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Seine | Gillnet | Troll |  | Seine | Gillnet |  |  |
| 1978 | 82.1 | 9.4 | 8.4 | 84.4 | 8.6 | 7.0 |  |  |
| 1980 | 73.4 | 16.0 | 10.5 |  | 91.1 | 7.2 |  |  |
| 1982 | 85.2 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 80.3 | 14.1 | 1.8 |  |  |
| 1984 | 80.8 | 12.2 | 7.0 | 75.8 | 23.2 | 5.6 |  |  |

Seine catches dominated the annual harvest of both pink and sockeye salmon in all the years considered, contributing up to $85 \%$ and $91 \%$ to the annual pink and sockeye catches respectively. Gillnets contributed up to $16 \%$ and $23 \%$ to the annual pink and sockeye catches respectively, while the troll gear generally contributed less than $10 \%$ to the annual catches of each species.

## FISHING EFFORT

Weekly gear counts (seines and gillnets) and the number of days fishing are presented by Statistical Area for the 1978, 1980, 1982, and 1984 seasons in Tables 3-6 respectively. A summary of fishing effort, expressed as days fishing and catch/day in each of Areas 12 and 13, is presented for seines and gillnets in Table 7 and troll gear in Table 8.

The number of days fishing during the pink and sockeye net fishery declined significantly in recent years, from 28-37 days in 1978 to 20-24.5 in 1980, to $19-24.5$ in 1982 and $14.4-18$ in 1984 (Table 7). Total troll boat-days also declined from 3,715 (Area 12) and 2,973 (Area 13) in 1978 to 1,421 (Area 12) and 1,509 (Area 13) in 1984 (Table 8). The above fishing effort data were based on a 13 -week period when the fleet was targeting on pink and sockeye salmon. Catches occurring beyond these dates were not considered in this analysis since the target species had shifted to chum salmon. While the number of days fishing declined from 1978 to 1984 , the size of the net fleet remained generally the same during this period, as indicated by the gear counts for peak weeks of pink and sockeye catches in Area 12 (Table 9).

Tible 3. Weekly gear counts (seine and gillnet) and days fished for Areas 11-13 and 16, 1978.

${ }^{a}$ Area 11 gear and days are from D. Rektal meno and are under review.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Area 12 \& 13 gear counts are from D. Anderson notes.
CBute GN denotes the gillnet only fishery in Bute Inlet.

Iable 4. Weekly gear counts (seine and gillnet) and days fished for Areas 11-14 and 16, 1980.

|  | AREA $11^{\text {a }}$ |  |  | AREA |  | 12 |  |  |  | AREA 13 |  |  |  |  | AREA 14 |  |  |  | AREA 16 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WeEk dates | \# VESSELS | \# DAYS |  | \# Vessels |  | \# DAYS |  |  |  | \# Vessels |  | \# DAYS |  |  | \# VESSELS |  | \# DAYS |  | \# Vessels |  | \# DAYS |  |
|  | GN | GN |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  | GN | SN | GN | SN | GN | SN | GN | SN |
| 7/1 Jun 29-35 |  |  | 1 | 54 | 23 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 5 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |
| 7/2 Jul 6-12 |  |  | 1 | 54 | 65 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 9 | 8 | 2 | 2 | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7/3 Jul 13-19 |  |  | I | 31 | 30 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 8 | 8 | 2 | 2 | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7/4 Jul $20-26$ |  |  | I | 80 | 100 | 3 | 3 |  |  | 40 | 25 | 3 | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7/5 Jul 27-A2 |  |  | 1 | 134 | 134 | 1 | 1 |  |  | 11 | 19 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | , |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8/1 Aug 3-9 |  |  | 1 | 239 | 159 | 1.5 | 1 |  |  | 28 | 53 | 1.5 | 1 | I |  |  |  |  | 17 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 8/2 Aug 10-16 | 27 | 3.5 | 1 | 307 | 327 | 3.5 | 3 |  |  | 13 | 75 | 3.5 | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 21 | 75 | 3 | 3 |
| 8/3 Aug 17-23 | 36 | 2.5 | 1 | 136 | 191 | 2.5 | 2 |  |  | 43 | 156 | 2.5 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 29 | 59 | 2 | 2 |
| 8/4 Aug 24-30 | 24 | 1.5 | 1 | 56 | 104 | 1.5 | 1 |  |  | 26 | 100 | 2.5 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 16 | 45 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9/1 Aug 31-56 | 6 | 1.5 | 1 | 75 | 97 | 1.5 | 1 |  |  | 32 | 73 | 1.5 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9/2 Sep 7-13 | 4 | 1.5 | 1 | 84 | 110 | 1.5 | 1 |  |  | 33 | 46 | 1.5 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9/3 Sep 14-20 | 4 | 1.5 | I | 309 | 189 | 1.5 | 1 |  |  | 93 | 136 | 1.5 | $1$ | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9/4 Sep 21-27 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 438 | 259 | 1 | 1 |  |  | 69 | 129 | 1 | $1$ | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/1 Sep 28-04 |  |  | 1 | 418 | 234 | 1 | 1 |  |  | 312 | 257 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 2 \text { Oct } 5-11$ |  |  | 1 | Closed Closed |  |  |  |  |  | Closed Closed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/3 Oct 12-18 |  |  | I | 413 | 118 | 1 | 1 |  |  | 253 | 265 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/4 Oct 19-25 |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/5 Oct 26-N1 |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11/1 Nov 2-8 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11/2 Nov 9-15 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11/3 Nov 16-22 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 216 | 139 | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 11/4 Nov 23-29 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | I |  |  |  |  |  | I | 63 | 22 | 0.4 | 3.75 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL |  | 13 | 1 |  |  | 26.5 | 23 | 1 |  |  |  | 27.5 | 24 | I |  |  | 1.4 | 5.75 |  |  | 8 | 8 |

[^0]Teble 5. Weekly gear counts (seine and gillnet) and days fished for Areas 11-14 and 16, 1982.


[^1]Table 6. Weekly gear counts (seine and gillnet) and days fished for Areas 11-14 and 16, 1984.

${ }^{{ }^{\text {a }} \text { Area }} 14$ wk $10 / 4$ seines opened 2 separate 1 day openings;gear $=250+272$ respect ively, avg $=261$.

Table 7. Summary of net fishing effort for pink and sockeye salmon in Areas 12 and 13 of the Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1978-1984 (even years, W/E = week ending) ${ }^{\text {a }}$.

| YEAR | $\begin{gathered} \text { DAYS } \\ \text { FISHING } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { GMLINET } \\ & \text { CATCH } \\ & (\times 1000) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SEINE } \\ & \text { CATCH } \\ & (\mathrm{X} 1000) \end{aligned}$ |  | FLEET CATCH PER DAY ${ }^{\text {b }}$ (X 1000) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | GN | SN | PINK | SOCKEYE | PINK | SOCKEYE | PINK | SOCKEYE |

1978
(W/E Jun $24-$ W/E Sep 16)

| Area 12 | 37.0 | 37.0 | 111.3 | 249.0 | $1,086.1$ | $2,077.5$ | 32.4 | 62.9 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 13 | 36.0 | 28.0 | 3.8 | 22.4 | 87.0 | 834.0 | 3.2 | 30.4 |

1980
(W/E Jun $28-$ W/E Sep 20)

| Area 12 | 23.5 | 20.0 | 189.4 | 56.9 | 801.7 | 624.6 | 48.1 | 33.7 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 13 | 24.5 | 21.0 | 0.9 | 12.8 | 62.2 | 283.0 | 3.0 | 14.0 |

1982
(W/E Jun $26-W / E \operatorname{Sep} 18)$

| Area 12 | 24.5 | 19.0 | 10.0 | 207.6 | 146.9 | 956.8 | 8.1 | 58.8 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 13 | 24.5 | 19.0 | 0.4 | 23.7 | 15.7 | 402.8 | 0.8 | 22.2 |

1984
(W/E Jun $30-W / E$ Sep 22)

| Area 12 | 18.0 | 14.4 | 25.7 | 244.4 | 163.6 | 639.7 | 12.8 | 58.0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area 13 | 18.0 | 14.4 | 0.3 | 16.8 | 23.5 | 255.8 | 1.6 | 18.7 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Average gillnet catch per day + average seine catch per day.

Table 8. Summary of troll fishing effort for pink and sockeye salmon in Areas 12 and 13 of the Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1978-1984 (even years, W/E = week ending).


Table 9. Gear counts (gillnet and seine) for weeks of peak catches of pirk and sockeye in Area 12, 1978-1984 (even years).

|  | 1978 |  |  | 1980 |  |  | 1982 |  |  | 1984 |  |  | 78-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | GN | SN | TOTAL | GN | SN | TOTAL | GN | SN | TOTAL | GN | SNT | TOTAL | AVERAGE TOTAL |
| PINK (week) | 207 | 90 | $\begin{gathered} 297 \\ (7 / 4) \end{gathered}$ | 80 | 100 | $\begin{gathered} 180 \\ (7 / 4) \end{gathered}$ | 186 | 136 | $\begin{gathered} 322 \\ (7 / 5) \end{gathered}$ | 196 | 144 | $\begin{gathered} 340 \\ (7 / 5) \end{gathered}$ | 285 |
| SOCXEYE <br> (week) | 260 | 211 | $\begin{gathered} 471 \\ (8 / 3) \end{gathered}$ | 307 | 327 | $\begin{gathered} 634 \\ (8 / 2) \end{gathered}$ | 267 | 184 | $\begin{gathered} 451 \\ (8 / 3) \end{gathered}$ | 240 | 168 | $\begin{gathered} 408 \\ (8 / 1) \end{gathered}$ | 491 |

The effectiveness of the fleet increased considerably from 1978 to 1984, as indicated by the mean annual seine and gillnet catch per day in Area 12 (Table 7), expressed as a percentage of the total (all gear) pink and sockeye harvest in Area 12 each season (Tables 1 and 2). In 1978 the net fleet caught per day fished $2.8 \%$ of the pink and $2.6 \%$ of the sockeye harvest in Area 12. In 1980 these figures rose to $4.6 \%$ for pinks and $4.9 \%$ for sockeye. In 1982 they increased to $5.0 \%$ for both pinks and sockeye, and in 1984 the figures peaked at $6.7 \%$ for pinks and $6.5 \%$ for sockeye.

Fishing effort in the Johnstone Strait Study Area, as reflected by the weekly catches in Area 12, generally peaked toward the end of July and beginning of August for pink salmon, and during mid-August for sockeye salmon (see also Stock Timing section).

## STOCK TIMING

## Pink Salmon

Pink run timing in the Study Area is primarily a feature of the strength of individual stocks exhibiting slightly different run timing through the fisheries. Run timing of the major pink stock groups through Area 12 is shown in Figure 4 (see insert). Each major group can be identified in the fishery on the basis of timing, and the segregation of these stocks by sub-area is convenient for management purposes. Figure 4 illustrates the approximate timing of Study Area pink stocks as indicated by the weekly total pink catches in Area 12 where the majority of pinks are harvested (Appendices $5-8$ ). During the study period, peak catches occurred generally in late July or early August. Timing for each season is discussed below.

The 1978 peak weekly catch of pink salmon in Area 12 totalled 413,462 and occurred during a four-day fishery of July $23-29$ (Fig. 4, Appendix 5). This peak timing was about a week earlier than expected but similar to the 1972 - 1976 cycle years when the peak catch occurred two or three weeks earlier than in previous cycles. In the 1956 - 1970 cycle period, the average peak catches occurred around August 16 (Fig. 4, insert) and the earliest peak catch occurred in 1958 during the week ending August 9 (Anderson 1976). The earlier peak catches observed in 1972 - 1978 were the result of a greater abundance of the early Mainland Inlet stocks in Area 12.

The 1980 peak weekly catches of pink salmon in Area 12 occurred during the two weeks of July $20-26$ and August $10-16$ when 248,965 and 249,218 fish respectively were harvested (Fig. 4, Appendix 6). The earlier peak was similar to the $1972-1978$ peak timing and represented returns of the more abundant Mainland Inlet stocks in Area 12. The later peak was similar to the average peak catch timing observed during the 1956 - 1970 cycle period, and represented largely the strong Bond to Knight Inlet stocks, as confirmed by the escapement records (see Escapement section).

The 1982 peak weekly catch of pink salmon in Area 12 totalled 74,901 and occurred during a two-day fishery of July $25-31$ (Fig. 4, Appendix 7).



Fig. 4 Weekly total catches of pink salmon (top) and sockeye salmon (bottom) in Area 12 for 1978-1984 (even years). Insert shows mean weekly net catches of pinks in Area 12 during 1956-1970 and 1972-1984 (horizontal bars indicate timing of sub-area stocks).

The timing of this catch was similar to the $1972-1978$ cycle period and was again the result of a greater abundance of the early Mainland Inlet stocks in Area 12.

The 1984 peak weekly catches of pink salmon in Area 12 occurred during the two weeks of July 29 - August 4 and August $5-11$ when 47,596 and 46,458 fish respectively were harvested (Fig. 4, Appendix 8). This timing was about one week later than the peak timing for the 1978 - 1982 cycle years (Fig. 4) and was attributed largely to the passing of Upper Vancouver Island stocks in late July, and of Bond to Knight Inlet stocks in August. The dominance of the Bond to Knight Inlet stocks in 1984 was confirmed by the escapement records (see Escapement section).

Sockeye Salmon

The abundance and timing of Fraser River sockeye migrating through the Johnstone Strait Study Area are the primary factors influencing the activity of the fishery in this area. Large sockeye returns and a high northern diversion rate (up to $70 \%$ in 1980 ), accompanied by a political desire to harvest these stocks outside the Fraser River Convention Area, have escalated the fishery in the Johnstone Strait Study Area. The International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission is responsible for managing these stocks and their Annual Reports (IPSFC 1979, 1981,1983, 1985) describe the status of these runs in more detail. Consequently, the Fraser River sockeye were examined only briefly in this report.

Figure 4 illustrates the approximate run timing of sockeye, in relation to pink salmon, through the Study Area as indicated by the weekly total sockeye catches in Area 12 where the majority of sockeye are harvested (Appendices $9-12$ ). During the study period, peak catches occurred generally around mid-August which is several weeks after the peak catches of pink salmon. The year-to-year variation in peak catch timing of sockeye was related to the strongly cyclical nature of the dominant Fraser River stocks which influenced the annual timing. These stocks were the late run Adams/Lower Shuswap stocks in 1978 and 1982, and the early run Chilko stocks in 1980 and 1984. Timing for each season is discussed below.

In 1978 the sockeye run was dominated by the Adams/Lower Shuswap stocks, a late summer run, and was expected to peak in Johnstone Strait by the last week of August. The actual peak timing of sockeye through Area 12 occurred during the two weeks of August 13-19 and August 20-26 when 838,796 and 880,725 sockeye respectively were harvested (Fig. 4, Appendix 9). This timing is similar to that observed for the 1970 and 1974 cycles.

In 1980 the sockeye run was dominated by the Chilko population which represents an early summer run, and was expected to peak in Johnstone Strait by the last week of July. The actual peak timing of sockeye through Area 12 occurred during the week of August $10-16$ when 371,927 sockeye were harvested (Fig. 4, Appendix 10). This timing is approximately two weeks later than the last cycle year of 1976 .

In 1982 the sockeye run was dominated by the late run Adams/Lower Shuswap stocks, and the peak catch in Area 12 occurred during the two weeks of August $9-14$ and August $15-21$ when 407,373 and 448,861 sockeye respectively were harvested (Fig. 4, Appendix 11). This timing seems consistent with the earlier timing in recent cycle years.

In 1984 the sockeye run was dominated by the early run Chilko stocks, and the peak catch in Area 12 occurred during the two weeks of August $5-11$ and August $12-18$ when 244,158 and 231,619 sockeye respectively were harvested (Fig. 4, Appendix 12). This timing is slightly earlier compared to the 1980 cycle year (Fig. 4).

Compared to the Fraser River stocks, the timing of the Study Area sockeye stocks has been defined much less precisely. However, initial studies involving analysis of scale samples from test fishing and Area 12 sockeye catches have indicated that the Nimpkish sockeye contribute to the Area 12 catch from mid-June until early August with a peak contribution during mid-to-late July.

## ESCAPEMENT

PINK SALMON

Pink salmon escapements to the Johnstone Strait Study Area for the 1950 - 1984 cycle years are shown by sub-area in Figure 5 and Table 10, and by major stream in Appendix 13. Optimum escapements for each stream and sub-area are also included for comparison. Optimum escapements were derived from the highest recorded escapements since 1950, adjusted in some cases to account for new information. Estimates of optimum escapements have been increased for the Kakweiken River from 35,000 to 100,000 , and Quinsam River from 3,500 to 7,500 , as a result of the successful reproduction of larger populations of pink salmon in recent years. Currently, optimum escapement levels are being replaced by target levels which consider the current stock rebuilding schedules. During the management of the 1978 - 1984 fisheries, the optimum even year escapement of pink salmon to the Study Area was assessed at approximately 1.5 million (Table 10).

Between 1978 and 1984, a declining trend in the Study Area pink salmon escapements was observed, from 1,383,400 (90.3\% of optimum) in 1980 to only 387,500 ( $25.3 \%$ of optimum) in 1984. The 1982 and 1984 escapements were the lowest since 1960. This declining trend was apparent in all the sub-areas of the Johnstone Strait Study Area, with the greatest decline observed in 1984 for the Kingcome Inlet and Loughborough to Bute stocks (Fig. 5).


Fig. 5. Pink salmon escapements by sub-area to the Johnstone Strait Study Area for 1950-1984 cycle period (hatched bars indicate optimum escapement).

Table 10. Pink salmon escapements (in thousands) by sub-area to the Johnstone Strait Study Area, and percent of optimm escapement (in parentheses), 1950-1984 (even years). ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| SUB AREA | OPITMM <br> ESCAPENENT | 1984 | 1982 | 1980 | 1978 | 1976 | 1974 | 1972 | 1970 | 1968 | 1966 | 1964 | 1962 | 1960 | $\begin{gathered} 50-58 \\ \text { AVERACE } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| UPPER VANCOUVER IS | 488.5 | $\begin{gathered} 54.0 \\ (11.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 41.2 \\ & (8.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 136.0 \\ & (27.8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 114.7 \\ & (23.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 237.2 \\ & (48.6) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 181.3 \\ & (37.1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 124.7 \\ & (25.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 458.7 \\ & (93.9) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 453.5 \\ & (92.8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 506.5 \\ (103.7) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 134.5 \\ & (27.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 207.4 \\ & (42.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 56.6 \\ (11.6) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 178.8 \\ & (36.6) \end{aligned}$ |
| JOHNSTONE STRAIT | 213.0 | $\begin{gathered} 6.5 \\ (3.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 6.9 \\ (3.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 38.1 \\ (17.9) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 79.0 \\ (37.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 129.3 \\ & (60.7) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 211.6 \\ & (99.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 172.1 \\ & (80.8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 129.8 \\ & (61.0) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 175.5 \\ & (82.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 145.0 \\ & (68.1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 111.9 \\ & (52.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 110.6 \\ & (51.9) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 51.7 \\ (24.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 124.2 \\ & (58.3) \end{aligned}$ |
| MID-VANCOUVIR IS | 38.9 | $\begin{gathered} 13.5 \\ (34.6) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3.7 \\ (9.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 36.4 \\ (93.6) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 19.4 \\ (49.8) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 45.3 \\ (116.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 23.5 \\ (60.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20.7 \\ (53.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 17.2 \\ (44.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 15.2 \\ (39.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 27.9 \\ (71.7) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7.5 \\ (19.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 8.9 \\ (22.9) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 16.1 \\ (41.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 167.8 \\ (431.4) \end{gathered}$ |
| KINGOOAE IINLET | 228.5 | $\begin{aligned} & 13.2 \\ & (5.8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 72.2 \\ (31.6) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 72.0 \\ (31.5) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 62.7 \\ (27.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 347.9 \\ (152.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 342.9 \\ (150.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 251.7 \\ (110.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 204.4 \\ & (89.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 55.2 \\ (24.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 46.0 \\ (20.1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 26.1 \\ (11.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 57.9 \\ (25.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 27.0 \\ (11.8) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 51.4 \\ (22.5) \end{gathered}$ |
| BONI-KNIGHT | 357.5 | $\begin{aligned} & 286.0 \\ & (80.0) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 339.7 \\ & (95.0) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 896.4 \\ (250.8) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 634.1 \\ (177.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 758.6 \\ (212.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 169.4 \\ & (47.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 54.6 \\ (15.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 234.3 \\ & (65.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 308.3 \\ & (86.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 336.2 \\ & (94.0) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 216.0 \\ & (60.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 245.8 \\ & (68.7) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 77.0 \\ (21.5) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 138.7 \\ & (38.8) \end{aligned}$ |
| LOUGHBOROUCH-BUTE | 206.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 14.3 \\ & (6.9) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 110.0 \\ & \text { (53.3) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 204.4 \\ & (99.1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 138.6 \\ & (67.2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 170.3 \\ & (82.5) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 195.6 \\ & (94.8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 90.8 \\ (44.0) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 109.4 \\ & (53.0) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 468.8 \\ (227.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 275.5 \\ (133.5) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 129.4 \\ & (62.7) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 62.3 \\ (30.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5.2 \\ (2.5) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 65.2 \\ (31.6) \end{gathered}$ |
| GRAND TOTAL | 1532.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 387.5 \\ & (25.3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 573.7 \\ & (37.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1383.4 \\ (90.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1048.4 \\ (68.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1688.5 \\ & (110.2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1124.2 \\ (73.3) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 714.6 \\ & (46.6) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1153.8 \\ (75.3) \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1476.9 \\ (96.4) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1337.1 \\ (87.2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 625.3 \\ & (40.8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 692.8 \\ & (45.2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 233.5 \\ & (15.2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 726.1 \\ & (47.4) \end{aligned}$ |

[^2]On a sub-area basis, the Bond to Knight Inlet represented the dominant stock group in each of the 1978 - 1984 cycle years, contributing up to $73.8 \%$ to the Study Area escapement in 1984 (Fig. 5, Table 10). This sub-area was also the only one that consistently received near optimum or above optimum escapements to its streams in recent years (Appendix 13). Of secondary importance to the 1978 - 1984 Study Area escapements were the Loughborough to Bute, Upper Vancouver Island and Kingcome Inlet sub-areas, in that order. The two remaining groups, Johnstone Strait and Mid-Vancouver Island, contributed the least to the overall escapement (Fig. 5). The individual sub-areas are discussed below in order of their importance as pink salmon producers during the 1978 - 1984 cycle period.

Bond to Knight sub-area
The Bond to Knight sub-area has been assessed for an optimum pink escapement of 357,500 , the second highest among the Study Area regions after the Upper Vancouver Island. Unlike the other sub-areas, the Bond to Knight region has maintained healthy pink escapement levels (generally above $50 \%$ of the optimum escapement since 1962) and has been by far the major contributor to the Study Area pink stocks since 1976 (Fig. 5).

Escapements to this sub-area during the 1978 - 1984 cycle years averaged 539,100 and declined from 896,400 in 1980 (the highest escapement on record and $250.8 \%$ of optimum) to 286,000 in 1984 ( $80.0 \%$ of optimum). The 1978 - 1984 escapements represent 59.2 - $73.8 \%$ of the annual Study Area escapement.

The major contributing streams in this sub-area are the Ahnuhati, Glendale and Kakweiken Rivers. The substantial increase in pink production in the Bond to Knight sub-area since the early 1970 s is due primarily to construction on the Kakweiken River system of a fishway which opened the upper river to pink spawning.

## Loughborough to Bute sub-area

The Loughborough to Bute sub-area was assessed for an optimum pink escapement of 206,400 . Escapements to this sub-area for the $1978-1984$ cycle years averaged 116,800 and declined dramatically from 204,400 in 1980 ( $99.1 \%$ of optimum) to 14,300 in 1984 ( $6.9 \%$ of optimum and the lowest escapement since 1960). The 1978 - 1984 sub-area escapements represent $3.7-19.2 \%$ of the annual Study Area escapement.

Of the 20 major pink salmon streams in the Loughborough to Bute region, only seven to 11 had recorded escapements during the study period. Grassey and Wortley Creeks were the dominant pink producers in this sub-area in recent years, and the decline in their combined escapements from 100,000 in 1982 to only 9,000 in 1984 was the major reason for the recent severe decrease in escapement observed in this sub-area.

The Upper Vancouver Island sub-area was assessed for an optimum pink escapement of 488,500 , the highest among the Study Area regions. While this optimum was met in the 1966-1970 cycle years, escapements for the 1978 1984 period averaged only 86,500 and ranged from a high of 136,000 in 1980 ( $27.8 \%$ of optimum) to a low of 41,200 in 1982 ( $8.4 \%$ of optimum). The 1982 and 1984 escapements were the lowest since 1960. The 1978 - 1984 sub-area escapements represent $7.2-13.9 \%$ of the annual Study Area escapement.

The Keogh River remains the dominant producer in this sub-area. Escapements to those rivers in the northern portion of the region (Shushartie, Nahwitti and Stanby) remain critically low despite closures of Goletas Channel and those waters within the surfline between Cape Scott and Cape Sutil. Considering the depressed state of the Upper Vancouver Island stocks, it may be some time before the current protective closures are effective in rehabilitating these river systems.

## Kingcome Inlet sub-area

The Kingcome Inlet sub-area was assessed for an optimum pink escapement of 228,500 , the third highest among the Study Area regions. While this escapement was met and exceeded in the 1970 - 1976 cycle years, escapements for the 1978 - 1984 period averaged only 55,000 and ranged from 72,200 in 1982 ( $31.6 \%$ of optimum) to only 13,200 in 1984 ( $5.8 \%$ of optimum). These low escapements are similar to the pre-1970 levels (Fig. 5) and represent $3.4-12.6 \%$ of the annual Study Area escapement.

The Embly, Kingcome and Wakeman Rivers have been the major pink spawning streams in this sub-area. The dramatic decline in escapements observed since 1976 was largely due to a major decrease in the Kingcome River stock from 280,000 in 1976 to only 2,200 in 1984.

## Johnstone Strait sub-area

The Johnstone Strait sub-area was assessed for an optimum pink escapement of 213,000 . Escapements to this sub-area for the 1978 - 1984 cycle years averaged only 32,600 and declined steadily from 79,000 in 1978 ( $37.1 \%$ of optimum) to only 6,500 in 1984 ( $3.1 \%$ of optimum). The 1982 and 1984 escapements were the lowest on record. The 1978-1984 sub-area escapements represent $1.2-7.5 \%$ of the annual Study Area escapement.

Much of the recent decrease in this sub-area is attributed to the dramatic decline of the dominant Adam and Bear River stocks, from a combined total of 190,000 pink salmon in 1974 to a critically low value of 6,000 fish in 1984. Returning this stock and other Johnstone Strait stocks to their former levels will require reduction in the Johnstone Strait fishing intensity combined with enhancement efforts.

## Mid-Vancouver Island sub-area

The Mid-Vancouver Island sub-area was assessed for an optimum pink escapement of 38,900 , the lowest among the Study Area regions. Escapements to this sub-area for the 1978 - 1984 cycle years averaged 18,300 and ranged from a high of 36,400 in 1980 ( $93.6 \%$ of optimum) to a low of 3,700 in 1982 ( $9.4 \%$ of optimum). The 1980 escapement was one of the highest since 1960 while the 1982 escapement was the lowest on record. The 1978 - 1984 sub-area escapements represent $0.6-3.5 \%$ of the annual Study Area escapement. The Quinsam River has been the major pink producer in this sub-area in recent years.

## SOCKEYE SALMON

Annual sockeye escapements to the five major sockeye systems (Nimpkish, Fulmore, Haydon, Phillips, and Sakinaw) in the Study Area are shown for the period 1950 - 1984 in Table 11. The Nimpkish River system is by far the major sockeye producer. Total sockeye escapements to the Study Area have declined from about 100,000 in the 1950 s and 1960s, to 72,800 in the 1970 s and 63,600 in the early 1980 s. A record low of 17,100 was reported in 1978. Since that time, sockeye escapements have been increasing, reaching 83,100 in 1983. This improvement is due mainly to a steady increase in the Nimpkish escapements, from a low of 8,500 in 1978 to 70,000 in 1983 , and is attributed to protective measures introduced in the fishery since 1980.

Fraser River sockeye escapements in $1978,1980,1982$ and 1984 were 2.5 million, 0.8 million, 4.0 million and 0.9 million respectively (IPSFC 1979, 1981, 1983, 1985).

TOTAL STOCK

PINK SALMON

Catch, escapement, total stock estimates and ratio of return for the Johnstone Strait Study Area pink salmon are shown for the 1952 - 1984 cycle period in Table 12. These data are illlustrated in Figure 6. The total pink stock was estimated at 2.4 million in $1978,2.6$ million in $1980,0.8$ million in 1982 , and 0.6 million in 1984 , averaging 1.6 million for that period. The return to escapement ratio averaged $1.4: 1$ for the same period. The above means are below the 1952 - 1984 average stock size of 2.4 million and average return ratio of $3.0: 1$ (Table 12). Figure 6 shows the recent downward trend in stock size from a record high of 5.5 million in 1976 to a record low of 0.6 million in 1984. This declining trend was observed primarily in the annual

Table ll. Sockeye salmon escapements (in thousands) to streams in the Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1950-1984. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| YEAR | NIMPKISH | FULMORE | HEYDON | PHILLIPS | SAKINAW | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1950 | 100.0 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 114.0 |
| 1951 | 100.0 | 1.5 | 7. 5 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 127.5 |
| 1952 | 100.0 | 0.7 | 1. 5 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 113.2 |
| 1953 | 100.0 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 105.2 |
| 1954 | 75.0 | 1. 5 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 4.1 | 84.3 |
| 1955 | 75.0 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1. 5 | 5.0 | 84.5 |
| 1956 | 75.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1. 5 | 2.1 | 80.0 |
| 1957 | 130.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 4.3 | 156.8 |
| 1958 | 75.0 | 1. 5 | 0.1 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 84.4 |
| 1959 | 75.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 13.0 | 91.9 |
| 1960 | 75.0 | 1. 5 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}^{\text {b }}$ | 0.7 | 4. 5 | 81.7 |
| 1961 | 75.0 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 1. 5 | 0.7 | 81.1 |
| 1962 | 100.0 | 1. 5 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 106.9 |
| 1963 | 150.0 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 162.9 |
| 1964 | 100.0 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 110.7 |
| 1965 | 30.0 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 0.7 | 37.9 |
| 1966 | 120.0 | 1. 5 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 136.0 |
| 1967 | 100.0 | 0.7 | 3.5 | 1. 5 | 6.0 | 111.7 |
| 1968 | 35.0 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 14.0 | 56.4 |
| 1969 | 100.0 | 1. 5 | 3.5 | 1. 5 | 1.2 | 107.7 |
| 1970 | 50.0 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 5.0 | 66.7 |
| 1971 | 75.0 | 7.5 | 4.5 | 3.5 | 8.0 | 98.5 |
| 1972 | 60.0 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 4. 5 | 80.0 |
| 1973 | 100.0 | 10.0 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 118.5 |
| 1974 | 150.0 | 7.0 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 6.0 | 169.0 |
| 1975 | 40.0 | 6.0 | 3.5 | 1. 5 | 16.0 | 67.0 |
| 1976 | 35.0 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 6.0 | 53.0 |
| 1977 | 15.0 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 1. 5 | 1. 2 | 22.7 |
| 1978 | 8.5 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 1. 5 | 4.0 | 17.1 |
| 1979 | 20.0 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 11.0 | 35.0 |
| 1980 | 24.0 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 31.4 |
| 1981 | 60.0 | 0.8 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 3.0 | 73.3 |
| 1982 | 60.0 | 1. 5 | 1.0 | 10.0 | 3.4 | 75.9 |
| 1983 | 70.0 | 1. 5 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | 10.0 | 1.6 | 83.1 |
| 1984 | 50.5 | N/O | 1.0 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 54.1 |
| AVERAGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50-59 | 90.5 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 4. 3 | 4.8 | 104.2 |
| 60-69 | 88.5 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 4.5 | 99.3 |
| 70-79 | 55.4 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 2.4 | 6.3 | 72.8 |
| 80-84 | 52.9 | 0.8 | 1.7 | 5.8 | 2.4 | 63.6 |
| 50-84 | 74.5 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 88.0 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Source: DFO Sprawning Files.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ N/O - none observed.

Table 12. Catch, escapement and ratio of return of Johnstone Strait Study Area pink salmon, 1952-1984 (even years).

| YEAR | $\mathrm{CATCH}^{\text {a }}$ | ESCAPEMENT ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | TOTAL STOCK | $\begin{aligned} & \text { PERCENT } \\ & \text { EXPLOITATION } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { BROOD } \\ \text { ESCAPEMENT } \end{gathered}$ | RETURN TO ESCAPEMENT RATIO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1952 | 2,706,500 | 1,036,900 | 3,743,400 | 72.3\% | 662,320 | 5.7 : 1 |
| 1954 | 399,200 | 574,600 | 973,800 | 41.0\% | 1,036,900 | $0.9: 1$ |
| 1956 | 920,200 | 589,500 | 1,509,700 | 61.0\% | 574,600 | 2.6 : 1 |
| 1958 | 1,365,800 | 769,800 | 2,135,600 | 64.0\% | 589,500 | $3.6: 1$ |
| 1960 | 344,100 | 233,500 | 577,600 | 59.6\% | 769,800 | $0.8: 1$ |
| 1962 | 750,700 | 692,800 | 1,443,500 | 52.0\% | 233,500 | $6.2: 1$ |
| 1964 | 853,900 | 625,300 | 1,479,200 | 57.7\% | 692,800 | 2.1 : 1 |
| 1966 | 3,438,500 | 1,337,100 | 4,775,600 | 72.0\% | 625,300 | $7.6: 1$ |
| 1968 | 3,695,700 | 1,476,900 | 5,172,600 | 71.4\% | 1,337,100 | $3.9: 1$ |
| 1970 | 2,341,100 | 1,153,800 | 3,494,900 | 67.0\% | 1,476,900 | $2.4: 1$ |
| 1972 | 729,600 | 714,600 | 1,444,200 | 50.5\% | 1,153,800 | $1.3: 1$ |
| 1974 | 1,548,600 | 1,124,200 | 2,672,800 | 57.9\% | 714,600 | 3.7 : 1 |
| 1976 | 3,777,600 | 1,688,500 | 5,466,100 | 69.1\% | 1,124,200 | $4.9: 1$ |
| 1978 | 1,347,400 | 1,048,400 | 2,395,800 | $56.2 \%$ | 1,688,500 | 1.4 : 1 |
| 1980 | 1,192,800 | 1,383,400 | 2,576,200 | 46.3\% | 1,048,400 | $2.5: 1$ |
| 1982 | 194,500 | 573,700 | 768,200 | 25.3\% | 1,383,400 | $0.6: 1$ |
| 1984 | 232,000 | 387,500 | 619,500 | 37.4\% | 573,700 | 1.1 : 1 |
| AVERAGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 52-84 | 1,519,900 | 906,500 | 2,426,400 | $56.5 \%^{\text {c }}$ | 922,700 | $3.0{ }^{\text {d }}$ |
| 78-84 | 741,700 | 848,300 | 1,589,900 | $41.3 \%^{\text {c }}$ | 1,173,500 | $1.4{ }^{\text {d }}$ |

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Fig. 6. Escapements and total stock estimates for pink salmon (1952-1984 cycle period, top) and sockeye salmon (1955-1984, bottom) in the Johnstone Strait Study Area.
catches and in the 1982 and 1984 escapements, and is likely a result of relatively high exploitation rates in the Johnstone Strait net fishery coupled with poor brood survival.

The exploitation rate of the even year pink stocks has declined in recent years from $69.1 \%$ in 1976 to $37.4 \%$ in 1984 (Table 12). This is likely a result of reduced fishing time in Johnstone Strait and terminal areas, as well as reduced stock abundance.

Historically, the great variability in total stock size has been related to both escapement levels and the ratio of return which has varied from 0.6:1 in 1982 to $7.6: 1$ in 1966 (Table 12). Flooding in the fall of 1980 was responsible for the poor return and low stock size in 1982. The catch of 194, 500 pinks that year was the lowest since 1952.

In recent years and particularly in 1982 and 1984, each sub-area with the exception of Bond to Knight stocks, received well below the estimated optimum escapement (Fig. 5). This reflects the need for critical stock protection measures to secure the overall productivity of the Study Area pinks.

Efforts to protect these stocks in the fishery are confounded by extreme differences in relative stock size and productivity. Approximately 60 separate pink stocks which differ greatly in their relative abundance, are thought to be harvested in the Johnstone Strait Study Area (Appendix 13). Of these, the combined Ahnuhati, Glendale and Kakweiken stocks are responsible for over half of the Study Area escapement ( $58.9 \%$ in 1978, $64.3 \%$ in 1980, $53.2 \%$ in 1982, and $71.0 \%$ in 1984). These three stocks are all in the Bond to Knight sub-area and their successful production is a primary influence in the fishery. Another eight stocks each contain between 5,000 and 100,000 pink spawners. The above 11 dominant streams account for the majority of the Study Area escapement ( $80.9 \%$ in 1978, $88.2 \%$ in $1980,90.4 \%$ in 1982 , and $89.6 \%$ in 1984). The remaining 49 streams have each received less than 5,000 spawners in recent years, although their optimum escapements may be considerably greater (e.g. Upper Vancouver Island stocks). These smaller streams are collectively important in that they provide much of the genetic variability and productivity potential available to the overall Study Area population. The challenge for fishery managers is to maintain reasonable population levels in all these streams, although some stocks can and will be fished more intensively than others.

## SOCKEYE SALMON

The catch of Study Area sockeye has been estimated using two indirect methods:
A. After the IPSFC has estimated the Fraser River catch contribution, the DFO assumed that the balance of the catch consisted of the Study Area stocks.
B. A fixed stock exploitation rate of $50 \%$ was assumed until 1981 for all Study Area sockeye stocks, except the Nimpkish, and a $30 \%$ stock exploitation rate was assumed for 1982-1984, as suggested by the late fishing patterns; the escapement estimates were then used to calculate catch estimates. The Nimpkish catch contribution until 1982 was taken from Gould and Stefanson (1985) and for 1983-1984 it was calculated using the stock migration route and timing, and general area harvest rates.

Method B provided catch estimates of the Study Area stocks independent of the Fraser River sockeye harvest (Table 13). Catch estimates using Method B, escapements and total stock estimates for the Johnstone Strait Study Area sockeye are presented for the period 1955 - 1984 in Table 14. These data are illustrated in Figure 6. The Study Area sockeye experienced a major decline in their escapements and total stock estimates during the late 1970 s, followed by a slight recovery in the early 1980 s. The total stock averaged 67,100 during 1978 - 1984 or less than half of the $1955-1984$ average total stock of 144,200 (Table 14).

Five major sockeye stocks enter the Johnstone Strait enroute to spawning grounds in Areas 12 to 16 (Table 11), but only the Nimpkish stock has been an important contributor to the Johnstone Strait fishery. In 1978 the Nimpkish stock reached its lowest recorded escapement ( 8,500 fish, Table 11). Field studies, conducted in 1981 and 1982 , provided the identification of Nimpkish sockeye using scale patterns. This lead to analysis of migration route, population age structure, and run timing of this stock during the Area 12 sockeye fishery (Gould and Stefanson 1985). Using this information, special area closures have been implemented since 1980 to protect the Nimpkish stocks early in the season, and from 1979 to the present, escapements have been rebuilding (Table 11).

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Table 13. Total annual Study Area catch and estimated contribution of Fraser River and Study Area sockeye stocks, 1955-1984.

|  | TOTAL CATCH |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| YEAR | FOR | ESTIMATED CONTRIBUTION OF |  |
|  | AREAS $12-16^{a}$ | FRASER RIVER | STUDY AREA |
|  | 184,800 |  | STOCKS |

${ }^{\text {a Source: }}$ British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO; rounded to nearest 100 .
braser stock for each year was calculated by subtraction of Study Area stock catches fram the total Statistical Area catches.

Qimpkish catch contribution for 1955 to 1982 from Gould and Stefanson (1985); Nimpkish catch contribution for 1983-1984 calculated using stock migration route and timing, and general area harvest rates.
dhe 1955 to 1981 catch contribution by Study Area sockeye (except Nimpkish) based on a fixed harvest rate of $50 \%$ (ie. catch=escapement); the 1982-1984 catch contribution based on a $30 \%$ harvest rate, as suggested by the late fishing patterns.

Estimated contribution of Study Area stocks from 1973 includes an estimated 50\% of escapenent lost due to Dermocystidium in Nimpkish system (protozoan found in gill tissues of adult salmon, thought to be transmisible to emerging fry).
$\mathrm{f}_{\text {Total ch ch }}$ for 1978 to 1984 includes Areas 11-16.

Table 14. Catch, escapement and total stock of Johnstone Strait Study Area sockeye salmon, 1955-1984.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| YEAR | CATCH |  |  |  |

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Appendix 1. Major regulations and fishing effort by week for pink and sockeye salmon in Areas 12 and 13, 1978.

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{a}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jun 24 | 6/3 | 4 | 4 | 32 | 7 | Parsons Bay closed until September 17. Normal Nimpkish boundary in effect for balance of the season. Mesh size restrictions lifted, Sunday, June 18. Three days fishing in waters south and east of Blinkhorn Light-Hanson Island. |
| Jul 1 | 6/4 | 4 | 4 | 63 | 19 | As above. |
| Jul 8 | 7/1 | 4 | 4 | 25 | 33 | As above. |
| Jul 15 | 7/2 | 4 | 4 | 26 | 59 | Extended Ahnuhati River boundary in effect. |
| Jul 22 | 7/3 | 4 | 4 | 87 | 83 | Two days Mainland Inlets. |
| Jul 29 | 7/4 | 4 | 4 | 207 | 90 | Goletas Channel closed for balance of sockeye season. Drury Inlet, Dunsany Pass, Grupplen Sound and Wells Passage closed to all commercial salmon fishing. |
| Aug 5 | 7/5 | 3 | 3 | 263 | 152 | Knight Inlet closed from Steep Head-Protection point. Adam River boundary changed to box boundary. Kingcome Inlet and Wakeman Sound, north of a line from Bradley Point to Phillip Point, closed to net fishing. |
| Aug 12 | 8/1 | 2 | 2 | 273 | 148 | Mainland Inlets one day, until further notice, trolling prohibited except during net fishing openings. |
| Aug 19 | 8/2 | 2 | 2 | 390 | 215 | Until further notice, Goletas Channel and Queen Charlotte Strait, south of a line from Cape Sutil to Mexicana Point along the south and east shore of Hope Island to Cape James to Greeting Point to Crane Island Light to Pulteney Point to a boundary sign approximately one mile east of Cluxewe River, closed to all commercial salmon fishing. |

Appendix 1 (cont'd)

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 (cont'd) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 26 | 8/3 | 3 | 3 | 260 | 211 | Mainland Inlets closed, Adam River box. |
| Sep 2 | 8/4 | 1 | 1 | 67 | 44 | One day south and east of a line from Blinkhorn light to a boundary sign on Donegal head to a boundary sign on Bold Head to Bare Hill. |
| Sep 9 | 9/1 |  |  |  |  | Closed to net fishing. |
| Sep 16 | 9/2 | 2 | 2 | 105 | 312 | Two days south and west of a line from Boyles Point to Gawler Point to Success Point to Bare Hill to Dead Point to a boundary sign on west Cracroft Island then following the south shore of West Cracroft Island to the entrance to Port Harvey to Ransam Point. |

Area 13

| Jul 8 | $7 / 1$ | 3 | 3 | 6 | 21 | Area 13 open. Bute Inlet closed. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jul 15 | $7 / 2$ | 4 | 4 | 13 | 4 | As above. |
| Jul 22 | $7 / 3$ | 4 | 3 | 12 | 18 | As above. |
| Jul 29 | $7 / 4$ | 4 | 4 | 16 | 19 | As above. Bute Inlet open to gillnets only. |
| Aug 5 | $7 / 5$ | 3 | 3 | 18 | 24 | As above. Bute Inlet open. |
| Aug 12 | $8 / 1$ | 2 | 2 | 15 | 34 | Bute Inlet open. Fall boundaries for <br> Mainland shore. |
| Aug 19 | $8 / 2$ | 2 | 2 | 35 | 58 | Bute Inlet closed. |

Appendix 1 (cont' d )

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{a}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |  |  |

Area 13 (cont'd)

| Aug 26 | $8 / 3$ | 3 | 3 | 56 | 164 | As above. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sep 2 | $8 / 9$ | 1 | 1 | 55 | 329 | As above. |
| Sep 9 | $9 / 1$ |  |  |  |  | Closed. |
| Sep 16 | $9 / 2$ | 2 | 2 | 60 | 199 | Area 13 open. Mainland Inlets closed. |

[^5]Appendix 2. Major regulations and fishing effort by week for pink and sockeye salmon in Areas 12 and 13, 1980.

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul 5 | 7/1 | 2 | 2 | 54 | 23 | Parsons Bay closed to all commercial salmon fishing until September 22. Waters of Broughton Strait, Cormorant Channel and Weyton Passage closed. Tsitika River boundary moved inward to Robson Bight. Mainland Inlets closed. |
| Jul 12 | 7/2 | 2 | 2 | 54 | 65 | Same as above. Extended Ahnuhati River box boundary introduced. |
| Jul 19 | 7/3 | 2 | 2 | 31 | 30 | Upper Vancouver Island (Malcolm Island North and West) closed. Other closures remain in effect. |
| Jul 26 | 7/4 | 3 | 3 | 80 | 100 | As above. |
| Aug 2 | 7/5 | 1 | 1 | 134 | 134 | As above. Area 12 closed to trolling except during net times. |
| Aug 9 | 8/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 239 | 159 | As above. Knight Inlet open to seines, normal boundaries. Adam River box boundary no longer in effect. |
| Aug 16 | 8/2 | 3.5 | 3 | 307 | 327 | As above. Trolling in northern portion of Area 12 only 7 days/week; non-retention of sockeye, pink and chum. |
| Aug 23 | 8/3 | 2.5 | 2 | 136 | 191 | As above. Knight Inlet closed. Malcolm Point to Boyles Point boundary for trolling is removed. |

Appendix 2 (cont'd)

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 (cont'd) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 30 | 8/4 | 1.5 | 1 | 56 | 104 | As above. |
| Sep 6 | 9/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 75 | 97 | As above. |
| Sep 13 | 9/2 | 1.5 | 1 | 84 | 110 | As above. |
| Sep 20 | 9/3 | 1.5 | 1 | 309 | 189 | As above. |
| Area 13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul 5 | 7/1 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 8 | Area 13 open to gillnet and seine fishing. Bute Inlet closed to gillnet fishing. |
| Jul 12 | 7/2 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 8 | As above. |
| Jul 19 | 7/3 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 8 | As above. |
| Jul 26 | 7/4 | 3 | 3 | 40 | 25 | As above. |
| Aug 2 | 7/5 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 19 | As above. |
| Aug 9 | 8/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 28 | 53 | As above. |
| Aug 16 | 8/2 | 3.5 | 3 | 13 | 75 | Fall boundaries for Mainland Channels (Sunderland, Chancellor, Nodales and Okisallo). |
| Aug 23 | 8/3 | 2.5 | 2 | 43 | 156 | As above. Bear River boundary enlarged. |
| Aug 30 | 8/4 | 2.5 | 2 | 26 | 100 | As above. |
| Sep 6 | 9/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 32 | 73 | As above. |
| Sep 13 | 9/2 | 1.5 | 1 | 33 | 46 | As above. |
| Sep 20 | 9/3 | 1.5 | 1 | 93 | 136 | As above. |

[^6]Appendix 3. Major regulations and fishing effort by week for pink and sockeye salmon in Areas 12 and 13, 1982.

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul 10 | 7/2 | 2.5 | 2 | 50 | 53 | Areas $12-2,6,29,30$, open. Closed north of Lewis Pt. for Nimpkish sockeye conservation. |
| Jul 17 | 7/3 | 2.5 | 2 | 55 | 53 | Areas $12-2,6,29,30$ as above, open. |
| Jul 24 | 7/4 | 2.5 | 2 | 71 | 74 | Areas $12-2,6,29,30$ as above, open. |
| Jul 31 | 7/5 | 2.5 | 2 | 186 | 136 | Areas $12-2,6,17,22-24,28-30$, open. |
| Aug 7 | 8/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 30 | 89 | Gordon Channel area opened. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Areas $12-2,6,17,29,30$, open |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Ribbon boundary introduced (half mile from mainland shore). |
| Aug 14 | 8/2 | 2.5 | 2 | 300 | 251 | Area $12-2,6,17,14,29,30$, open. |
| Aug 21 | 8/3 | 2.52 |  | 267 | 184 | Lower Gordon Channel open. |
|  |  |  |  | Area $12-2,6,7,17,22-25,29,30$, Gordon Channel, Bates Passage, all open. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Note gillnet and troll were opened again Friday, August 20,1800 hrs to Tuesday, August $24,0800 \mathrm{hrs}$ to increase harvest of Adams River sockeye. Seine open Friday, August 20,1800 hrs to Monday, August 23, 1800 hrs . These times have been applied to the August 28 weekending period. |  |  |
| Aug 28 | 8/4 | 3.5 | 3 |  | 208 | 172 | Areas $12-2,3,6-8,17,22-25,28-30$, open. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Ribbon boundary removed. |
| Sep 4 | 9/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 111 | 90 | Areas $12-2,3,6-8,17,22-25,28-30$, open. |

Appendix 3 (cont'd)


Area 13

| Jul 10 | $7 / 2$ | 2.5 | 2 | 20 | 20 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,20-25,28,30$, open. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jul 17 | $7 / 3$ | 2.5 | 2 | 12 | 23 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22-25,28,30$, open. |
| Jul 24 | $7 / 4$ | 2.5 | 2 | 14 | 23 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22-25,28,30$, open. |
| Jul 31 | $7 / 5$ | 2.5 | 2 | 10 | 33 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22-25,28,30$, open. |
| Aug 7 $7 / 1$ | 1.5 | 1 | 10 | 22 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22,24,25,28,30$, |  | open.

Bear River closed.
Ribbon (half mile) boundary in effect.
Aug $148 / 22.52936$ Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22,24,25,28$, open.

Bear River closed.
Ribbon boundary Nodales Channel closed.
Aug $218132.520 \quad 93$ Area 13-4, 5, 6, 12, 19, 22, 24, 25, 28, open. As above.

Note gillnet and troll were opened again that week, Friday, August 20, 1800 hrs to Tuesday, August $24,0800 \mathrm{hrs}$ to increase harvest of Adams River sockeye. Seine open Friday, August $20,1800 \mathrm{hrs}$ to Monday, August 23, 1800 hrs . These times have been applied to the August 28 week-ending period.

Appendix 3 (cont'd)

| Week ending |  | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Week | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 13 (cont'd) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 28 | 8/4 | 3.5 | 3 | 34 | 69 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22,24,25,28$, 30 , open. <br> Areas closed as above. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Note above overlap in fishing weeks. Nodales Channel re-opened. |
| Sep 4 | 9/1 | 1.5 | 1 | 35 | 67 | Areas $12-2,3,6-8,17,22-25,28-30$, open. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Note Bute Inlet opened Wednesday 1200 hrs to Thursday 1800 hrs , Area 13-8 (Lawrence Pt. to Clipper Pt.) |
| Sep 11 | 9/2 | 1.5 | 1 | 13 | 54 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22,24,25,28,30$, open. |
| Sep 18 | 9/3 | 1.5 | 1 | 55 | 86 | Areas $13-4,5,6,12,19,22,24,25,28,30$, open. |

${ }^{a}$ Sub-units for each area are outlined in Figure 3 and specific legal descriptions are available in the Pacific Fishery Management Area Regulations.

Appendix 4. Major regulations and fishing effort by week for pink and sockeye salmon in Areas 12 and 13, 1984.

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul 21 | 7/3 | 1.5 | 1 | 125 | 40 | Mainland Inlets, Growler Cove and Parsons Bay closed to all gear. <br> Closed north of Lewis Point for protection of early Nimpkish sockeye. <br> Adam River box boundary in effect. Open for seines 1 day and for gillnets 1.5 days. |
| Jul 28 | 7/4 | 2.5 | 2 | 107 | 59 | Fishing time extended for seine and gillnet by 1 day. |
| Aug 4 | 7/5 | 2.5 | 2 | 196 | 144 | Fishing time extended for seine and gillnet by 1 day. Queen Charlotte Strait, Gordon Channel and Johnstone Strait open. Goletas Channel closed. Extended Keagh and Cluxewe boundaries in effect from Round Island to False Head to Pultney Point to Lady Ellen Point. Mainland Inlets remain closed. |
| Aug 11 | 8/1 | 3.5 | 3 | 240 | 168 | Opening for seines 2 days and for gillnets 2.5 days. Fishing time extended to seine and gillnet by 1 day. Gordon Channel open south of Greetin Point on Nigel Island. Queen Charlotte Strait open inside Boulder Point to Staples Islets to Echo Island to Doyle Island to Round Island to False Head to Pultney Point to Lady Ellen Point. Johnstone Strait open south of Lewis Point to Donegal Head to the western most tip of Hanson Island and a line from Cracroft Point of Hanson Island opposite. Seines will be prohibited from fishing one-half mile of the mainland shore to provide a corridor for nontarget species. Mainland Inlets remain closed. |

Appendix 4 (cont ${ }^{\prime} \mathrm{d}$ )

| Week ending | Week | Days fishing |  | Number of vessels |  | Major regulations and changes to proposed fishing times ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GN | SN | GN | SN |  |
| Area 12 (cont'd) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 18 | 8/2 | 2.5 | 2 | 144 | 187 | No change. |
| Aug 25 | 8/3 | 2.5 | 2 | 162 | 119 | No. change. |
| Sep 1 | 8/4 | 2 | 1.4 | 103 | 142 | Gordon Channel, Queen Charlotte Strait, and Johnstone Strait open. Goletas Channel closed. Extended Keoogh and Cluxewe boundaries in effect from Round Island to False Head to Pultney Point to Lady Ellen Point. Mainland Inlets remain closed. |
| Sep 8 | 9/1 |  |  |  |  | Closed to protect early study area chums. |
| Sep 15 | 9/2 |  |  |  |  | Closed to protect early study area chums. |
| Sep 22 | 9/3 | 1 | 1 | 140 | 142 | A one-day net opening to assess chum stock strength. Gordon Channel, Queen Charlotte Strait, Brouhton Strait and Johnstone Strait open. Goletas Channel closed. Extended Keoogh and Cluxewe boundaries in effect from Round Island to False Head to Pultney Point to Lady Ellen Point. Mainland Inlets remain closed. |

Area 13

| Jul 21 | $7 / 3$ | 1.5 | 1 | 10 | 23 | Johnstone Strait/Discovery Passage areas <br> open. Open for seines 1 day and for <br> gillnets 1.5 days. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jul 28 | $7 / 4$ | 2.5 | 2 | 19 | 33 | Fishing time extended for seine and <br> gillnet by 1 day. |
| Aug 4 | $7 / 5$ | 2.5 | 2 | 14 | 26 | Fishing time extended for seine and <br> gillnet by 1 day. |

Appendix 4 (cont'd)


Area 13 (cont'd)
\(\left.\left.$$
\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Aug } 11 & 8 / 1 & 3.5 & 3 & 18 & 70 & \begin{array}{l}\text { Opening for seines 2 days and for gillnet } \\
2.5 \text { days. Fishing time extended for } \\
\text { seine and gillnet by 1 day. Seines } \\
\text { prohibited from fishing within one-half }\end{array} \\
\text { mile of Vancouver Island in Discovery } \\
\text { Passage. Okisollo Channel closed. }\end{array}
$$\right\} \begin{array}{l}Kanish Bay closed. Deepwater Bay closed. <br>
This provides a corridor for non-target <br>

species. Ribbon boundry in effect.\end{array}\right]\)| Aug 18 |
| :--- |

[^7]Appendix 5. Weekly catches of pink salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1978. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

${ }^{\mathbf{a}}{ }_{\text {Source: }}$ British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.

Appendix 6. Weekly catches of pink salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1980.a

|  | AREA 11 |  |  | $1$ | AREA 12 |  |  | 1 | AREA 13 |  |  | 1 | AREA 14 |  | I |  | AREA 15 |  | i |  | AREA 16 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ENDING | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | SN | TR | I | GN | SN | TR | I | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | 5N | IR |
| To $28-\mathrm{Jun}$ | - | - | 1,241 | 1 | 6 | - | 14 | I | - | - | 89 | 1 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 05-Jul 7/1 | 4 | - | 1,064 | 1 | 1,162 | 3,075 | 78 | 1 | 49 | 106 | 32 | 1 | - | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - |
| 12-Jul 7/2 | - | - | 2,798 | 1 | 4,132 | 43,697 | 779 | 1 | 62 | 476 | 66 | I | - | - | 19 | I | - | - | 3 | 1 | - | - | 6 |
| 19-Jul $7 / 3$ | - | - | 12,797 | 1 | 24,857 | 74,474 | 2,554 | 1 | 49 | 1,667 | 25 | 1 | - | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 19 |
| 26-Jul 7/4 | - | - | 17,138 | 1 | 48,829 | 191,005 | 9,131 | I | 99 | 6,287 | 887 | 1 | - | - | 7 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 02-Aug 7/5 | - | - | 19,302 | 1 | 22,062 | 120,127 | 6,957 | 1 | 135 | 5,702 | 399 | 1 | - | - | - | I | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 09-Aug 8/1 | - | - | 10,470 | 1 | 28,817 | 115,726 | 13,300 | 1 | 416 | 8,947 | 460 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 81 | 4 | 2 |
| 16-Aug B/2 | 561 | - | 4,737 | 1 | 54,209 | 183,056 | 11,953 | I | 62 | 6,968 | 530 | I | - | - | 4 | I | - | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | 232 | 3 |
| 23-Aug 8/3 | 92 | - | 2,538 | 1 | 2,414 | 41,726 | 1,320 | I | 37 | 9,488 | 97 | 1 | - | - | 4 | I | - | - | 1 | 1 | 3 | 199 | 1 |
| 30-Aug 8/4 | 41 | - | 393 | 1 | 1,230 | 8,522 | 281 | I | 9 | 6,117 | 53 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 3,311 | - |
| 06-Sep 9/1 | 7 | - | 1,919 | 1 | 1,517 | 12,323 | 343 | I | 1 | 5,030 | 17 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | I | - | - | - |
| 13-Sep 9/2 | 4 | - | 5 | 1 | 126 | 4,908 | 1,235 | 1 | 21 | 5,753 | 164 | 1 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | I | - | - | - |
| 20-Sep 9/3 | 2 | 1 | 357 | 1 | 83 | 3,032 | 39 | 1 | 6 | 5,615 | 24 | 1 | - | - | 1 | I | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 27-Sep 9/4 | - | - | - | 1 | 41 | 874 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 2,411 | 12 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| After 27-Sep | - | - | 2 | 1 | 133 | 78 | 24 | 1 | 21 | 4,751 | 1 | I | 9 | - | - | I | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | I |  |  |  | I |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 711 | 1 | 74,761 | 1 | 189,618 | 802,623 | 48,018 | 1 | 971 | 69,318 | 2,856 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 47 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 85 | 3,746 | 31 |

${ }^{\mathbf{a}}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Stat istics, oro.

Appendix 7. Weekly catches of pink salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area 1982. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

|  |  | AREA |  | 1 |  | AREA 12 |  | 1 |  | AREA 13 |  | 1 |  | AREA 14 |  | i |  | AREA 15 |  | i |  | AREA 16 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ENDING | GN | SN | TR | I | GN | SN | IR | 1 | GN | SN | IR | 1 | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | SN | IR |
| To 26-Jun | - | - | 6 | 1 | 1 | - | 11 | 1 | - | - | 19 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 03-Jul 7/1 | - | - | 485 | 1 | 1 | - | 255 | 1 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 26 |
| 10-Jul 7/2 | - | - | 925 | I | 80 | 274 | 156 | 1 | 17 | 77 | 76 | 1 | - | - | 20 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 17-Jul 7/3 | - | - | 1,269 | 1 | 411 | 3,206 | 95 | 1 | 12 | 446 | 52 | 1 | - | - | 7 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 24-Jul 7/4 | - | - | 915 | I | 680 | 8,887 | 102 | 1 | 132 | 696 | 47 | 1 | - | - | 9 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 31-Jul 7/5 | 1,988 | - | 662 | I | 3,409 | 68,146 | 3,346 | 1 | 15 | 6,299 | 671 | 1 | - | - | 28 | 1 | - | - | 6 | 1 | 8 | 590 | - |
| 07-Aug 8/1 | 79 | - | 162 | 1 | 483 | 10,844 | 493 | I | 42 | 709 | 287 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 319 | - |
| 14-Aug 8/2 | 136 | - | 1,496 | 1 | 2,743 | 23,335 | 256 | 1 | 119 | 2,373 | 191 | 1 | - | - | 12 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 358 | - |
| 21-Aug 8/3 | 135 | - | 415 | 1 | 1,123 | 20,827 | 317 | 1 | 21 | 1,553 | 59 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 11 | 327 | 1 |
| 28-Aug 8/4 | - | - | 214 | I | 673 | 7,424 | 711 | 1 | 14 | 389 | 79 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 296 | 307 | 27 |
| 04-Sep 9/1 | 12 | - | 53 | 1 | 143 | 2,703 | 211 | 1 | 6 | 1,129 | 157 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 139 | 1 |
| 11-Sep 9/2 | 5 | - | 23 | 1 | 172 | 625 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 886 | 12 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 37 | 1 | - | - | - |
| 18-Sep 9/3 | 13 | - | 2 | 1 | 70 | 663 | 17 | I | 3 | 1,094 | 9 | 1 | - | - | - | I | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 25-Sep 9/4 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 327 | - | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| After 25-Sep | - | - | 2 | 1 | 18 | 295 | 7 | 1 | 803 | 641 | $-$ | I | 92 | 189 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| TOTAL | 2,368 | 0 | 6,631 | 1 | 10,007 | 147,229 | 6,009 | 1 | 1,513 | 16,292 | 1,664 | 1 | 92 | 189 | 80 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 1 | 315 | 2,040 | 55 |

${ }^{\mathbf{a}}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.

Appendix B. Weekly catches of pink salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1984. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

${ }^{a}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.

Apppendix 9. Weekly catches of sockeye salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1978. ${ }^{\text {a }}$


[^8]Appendix 10. Weekly catches of sockeye salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1980. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.

Appendix 11. Weekly catches of sockeye salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1982. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

${ }^{\mathbf{a}}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, OFO.

Appendix 12. Weekly catches of sockeye salmon by gear and area, Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1984. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

|  | AREA 11 |  |  | $1$ | AREA 12 |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ENDING | GN | SN | TR | I | GN | SN | TR | I | GN | SN | IR | 1 | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | SN | TR | 1 | GN | SN | IR |
| To 30-Jun | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 07-Jul 7/1 | - | - | 45 | 1 | - | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | 49 | 1 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 14-Jul 7/2 | - | - | 271 | 1 | 30 | - | 88 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 29 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 21-Jul $7 / 3$ | - | - | 234 | 1 | 11,717 | 3,683 | 146 | I | 912 | 6,226 | 44 | 1 | - | - | 2 | I | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 28-Jul 7/4 | - | - | 344 | 1 | 29,116 | 35,345 | 101 | 1 | 2,238 | 11,890 | 259 | 1 | - | - | 282 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 3,091 | 3,213 | 231 |
| 04-Aug 7/5 | 3,533 | - | 829 | 1 | 46,858 | 95,233 | 826 | I | 2,623 | 39,995 | 716 | 1 | - | - | 110 | 1 | - | - | 3 | 1 | 1,997 | 14,652 | 147 |
| 11-Aug $8 / 1$ | 4,676 | - | 204 | 1 | 62,039 | 181,755 | 364 | 1 | 3,497 | 100,867 | 1,166 | 1 | - | - | 173 | 1 | - | - | 13 | I | 2,102 | 19,838 | 301 |
| 18-Aug $8 / 2$ | 6,953 | - | 932 | 1 | 49,325 | 181,804 | 490 | 1 | 4,097 | 47,447 | 832 | 1 | - | - | 75 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 417 | 3,674 | 380 |
| 25-Aug 8/3 | 187 | - | 293 | 1 | 33,794 | 130,272 | 584 | 1 | 2,352 | 40,735 | 715 | 1 | - | - | 13 | 1 | - | - | 6 | 1 | 4,171 | 10,004 | 251 |
| 01-Sep 8/4 | 306 | - | 155 | 1 | 10,900 | 9,809 | 118 | 1 | 966 | 6,960 | 177 | 1 | - | - | 247 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 476 | , | 36 |
| 08-Sep 9/1 | - | - | 44 | 1 | - | 219 | 61 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 15-Sep 9/2 | - | - | 33 | 1 | - | 541 | - | I | - | 6 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 22-Sep 9/3 | - | - | 19 | 1 | 662 | 1,032 | 13 | 1 | 83 | 1,638 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 29-Sep 9/4 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 5 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| After $29-5 \mathrm{ep}$ | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | I | - | - | - | 1 | 59 | 15 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 15,655 | 0 | 3,404 | 1 | 244,441 | 639,698 | 2,795 | I | 16,768 | 255,764 | 3,959 | 1 | 59 | 15 | 933 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 1 | 12,254 | 51,381 | 1,346 |

${ }^{\mathbf{a}}{ }_{\text {Source: }}$ British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.

Appendix 13. Pink salmon escapements (in thousands) to streams and sub-areas in the Johnstone Strait Study Area, 1950-1984 (even years). ${ }^{\text {a,b }}$


UPPER VANCOUVER IS.

| QUXEWE R. | 35.0 | 15.0 | 10.0 | 80.0 | 0.0 | 49.0 | 32.0 | 6.0 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 75.0 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 7.5 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| KEOGH R. | 100.0 | 25.0 | 30.0 | 35.0 | 48.0 | 72.0 | 55.0 | 50.0 | 125.0 | 150.0 | 100.0 | 35.0 | 75.0 | 35.0 | 77.0 |
| NAHWITTI R. | 75.0 | 0.0 | $U N$ | UN | 0.4 | 0.2 | 11.0 | 22.0 | 110.0 | 62.5 | 75.0 | 7.5 | 35.0 | 7.5 | 10.5 |
| QUATSE R. | 150.0 | 13.0 | 0.5 | 10.0 | 36.0 | 74.0 | 66.0 | 16.0 | 75.0 | 125.0 | 150.0 | 35.0 | 75.0 | 7.5 | 55.5 |
| SHUSHARTIE R. | 35.0 | $\mathrm{~N} / 0$ | 0.2 | 3.0 | - | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 16.4 |
| SONGHEES R. | 3.5 | $\mathrm{~N} / 0$ | 0.3 | - | 2.3 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 1.0 |
| STRANBY R. | 75.0 | $U N$ | $\mathbf{U N}$ | 3.5 | - | 1.5 | 3.0 | 24.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | - | - | 1.5 | 7.6 |
| TSUQUATE R. | 15.0 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 4.5 | 28.0 | 37.0 | 11.0 | 4.5 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 3.4 |
| MISC. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0 |
| TOTAL | 488.5 | 54.0 | 41.2 | 136.0 | 114.7 | 237.2 | 181.3 | 124.7 | 458.7 | 453.5 | 506.5 | 134.5 | 207.4 | 56.6 | 178.8 |

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| CAMPBELL R. | 7.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 10.0 | 4.0 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 3.8 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| ENGLISHMN R. | 0.4 | N/0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | - | NA | 0.2 | 1.3 |
| OYSTER R. | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 5.0 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 82.0 |
| PINTLEDE | R. | 5.0 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 6.2 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| QUINSAM R . | 7.5 | 12.9 | 2.1 | 18.2 | 14.8 | 24.0 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 7.5 |
| TSOLUM R. | 15.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 5.0 | 1.5 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 6.9 | 5.5 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 56.0 |
| MISC. | - | - | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 10.2 | - | - | 0.2 | 1.2 |
| TOTAL | 38.9 | 13.5 | 3.7 | 36.4 | 19.4 | 45.3 | 23.5 | 20.7 | 17.2 | 15.2 | 27.9 | 7.5 | 8.9 | 16.1 | 167.8 |

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| CARRIDEN CR. | 3.5 | $N / 0$ | $N / 0$ | 1.0 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 0.8 | - | UN | 0.2 | 3.5 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| EMBLY R. | 40.0 | 7.0 | 12.0 | 25.0 | 13.0 | 7.0 | 70.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 40.0 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 9.1 |  |
| KINGCOME | R. | 150.0 | 2.2 | 24.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 280.0 | 190.0 | 75.0 | 25.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 25.7 |
| WAKEMAN R. | 35.0 | 4.0 | 35.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 55.0 | 81.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 12.1 |  |
| MISC. | - | - | 1.2 | 1.0 | 3.2 | 5.3 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.0 |  |
| TOTAL | 228.5 | 13.2 | 72.2 | 72.0 | 62.7 | 347.9 | 342.9 | 251.7 | 204.4 | 55.2 | 46.0 | 26.1 | 57.9 | 27.0 | 51.4 |  |

Appendix 13 (cont 'd)

| SUB AREA |  | 1984 | 1982 | 1980 | 1978 | 1976 | 1974 | 1972 | 1970 | 1968 | 1966 | 1964 | 1962 | 1960 | 50-58 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \& RIVER | OPTIMM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | AVERAGE |

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| AFWHATI R. | 35.0 | 50.0 | 85.0 | 340.0 | 120.0 | 100.0 | 15.0 | 3.0 | 35.0 | 55.0 | 75.0 | 35.0 | 35.0 | 7.5 | 6.2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AHTA VALLEY CR. | 3.5 | N/O | N/0 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 0.3 | - | 3.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 2.3 |
| FRASER CR. | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | UN | UN | UN | 0.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| GLENDALE R. | 150.0 | 125.0 | 150.0 | 250.0 | 275.0 | 150.0 | 30.0 | 9.5 | 150.0 | 160.0 | 220.0 | 150.0 | 100.0 | 35.0 | 43.0 |
| HOEYA CR. | 7.5 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 6.2 |
| KAKWEIKEN R. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 70.0 | 300.0 | 222.0 | 500.0 | 100.0 | 15.0 | 35.0 | 62.5 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 35.0 | 7.5 | 43.0 |
| KAMANO BAY CR. | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 3.5 | 15.0 | 0.8 | 7.5 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 1.9 |
| KLINAKLINI R. | 5.0 | UN | UN | UN | N/O | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 7.5 | 3.5 |
| KWALATTE R. | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | N/O | 0.1 | UN | UN | UN | UN | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 0.9 |
| LUL OR. | 1.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 1.9 |
| VINER R. | 15.0 | UN | 0.1 | 0.4 | - | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 35.0 | 0.4 | 8.5 |
| WATERFALL CR. | 35.0 | 10.0 | 30.0 | 3.5 | 13.0 | 0.3 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 15.0 | 1.5 | 15.0 | 7.5 | 19.6 |
| MISC. | - | - | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.4 |

$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllll} & 357.5 & 286.0 & 339.7 & 896.4 & 634.1 & 758.6 & 169.4 & 54.6 & 234.3 & 308.8 & 336.2 & 216.0 & 245.8 & 77.0 & 138.7\end{array}$

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| APPLE R. | 0.2 | N/0 | N/0 | 2.0 | 3.5 | 4.0 | - | 1.5 | 5.0 | 15.0 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CAMELEQN HBR. CR | 15.0 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 8.0 | 2.5 | 1.5 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 7.5 | 3.5 | - | 4.9 |
| CIMSACK CR. | 1.5 | N/A | UN | N/0 | - | - | - | - | - | UN | - | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| EVA CR. | 0.8 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 0.0 |
| FAWY BAY CR. | 1.5 | N/O | N/O | - | - | - | - | 0.0 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | - | - | 0.1 |
| FRASER CR . | 3.5 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | UN | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.8 |
| FUMDRE R . | 1.5 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | UN | UN | UN | UN | UN | UN | - | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.9 |
| GRANITE CR. | 7.5 | 0.0 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | UN | N/O | - | - | 0.4 | 1.5 | 15.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 8.2 |
| GRASSEY CR. | 75.0 | 1.0 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 100.0 | 75.0 | 100.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 200.0 | 75.0 | 35.0 | 20.0 | 1.5 | 19.3 |
| GRAYS CR. | 7.5 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 7.5 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 4.0 |
| HEYDON CR . | 15.0 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 15.0 | 10.0 | 3.5 | 15.0 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 8.3 |
| HOMATHK R. | 1.5 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | N/O | - | - | - | 0.8 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | - | 0.6 |
| HYACINTHE CR. | 0.8 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | UN | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | - | - | - | - | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| KANISH CR . | 7.5 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | N/O | - | - | 0.1 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 6.0 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 2.6 |
| ORFORD R. | 0.4 | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | N/O | N/0 | 0.1 | - | , | - | 0.2 | - | - | 0.0 | - | - | 0.4 |
| PHILLIPS R. | 35.0 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 30.0 | 10.0 | 50.0 | 35.0 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 35.0 | 75.0 | 35.0 | 7.5 | 0.2 | 3.1 |
| READ CR. | 15.0 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 45.0 | 3.5 | 12.0 | 20.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 35.0 | 15.0 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 4.2 |
| STAFFORD R. | 1.5 | UK | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 15.0 | 35.0 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.0 |
| SOUTHGATE R. | 0.8 | N/O | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{N} / 0$ | - | - | - | - |  | - |  | - | 3.5 | - | 0.6 |
| WORTLEY CR. | 15.0 | 8.0 | 60.0 | 75.0 | 15.0 | 9.0 | 13.0 | 7.5 | 15.0 | 75.0 | 15.0 | 17.5 | 12.5 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| MLSC. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 | - | 1.6 |
| TOTAL | 206.4 | 14.3 | 110.0 | 204.4 | 138.6 | 170.3 | 195.6 | 90.8 | 109.4 | 468.8 | 275.5 | 129.4 | 62.3 | 5.2 | 65.2 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 1532.8 | 387.5 | 573.7 | 1383.4 | 1048.4 | 1688.5 | 1124.2 | 714.6 | 1153.8 | 1476.9 | 1337.1 | 625.3 | 692.8 | 233.5 | 707.1 |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ Area 11 gear counts are under review.

[^1]:    ${ }^{a_{\text {Area }}} 11$ gear counts are from D. Rekdal deliveries/days and rounded.
    ${ }^{6}$ Bute Inlet fishery Sept 1-2 (1 day 4hrs), Sept 20-22 (2 deys), and Sept 26-29 ( 2.5 days).
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Area 16 gear counts are from opening day and closing day.

[^2]:    ${ }^{a}$ See Appendix 13 for details.

[^3]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Source: DFO Spawning Files.
    ${ }^{c}$ Mean of annual percent exploitation values.
    ${ }^{d}$ Mean of annual ratios.

[^4]:    ${ }^{\text {a From Table }} 13$.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ From Table 11.
    ${ }^{c}$ Mean of annual percent exploitation values.

[^5]:    a Sub-units for each area are outlined in Figure 3 and specific legal descriptions are also available in the Pacific Fishery Management Area Regulations.

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[^8]:    ${ }^{\mathbf{a}}$ Source: British Columbia Catch Statistics, DFO.

[^9]:    ${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ Source: DFO Spaming Files.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Abbreviations used: $\mathrm{U}=\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{mom}, \mathrm{N} / \mathrm{D}=$ none observed, $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}=$ not available.

