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Abstract

Biophysical data were collected along a primary marine migration corridor of juvenile Pacific salmon (*Oncorhynchus* spp.) in the northern region of southeastern Alaska at 13 stations in five sampling intervals (27 d total) from May to September 2001. This survey marks the fifth consecutive year of systematic monitoring, and was implemented to identify the relationships among biophysical parameters that influence the habitat use, marine growth, predation on, stock interactions, year-class strength, and ocean carrying capacity of juvenile salmon. Habitats were classified as inshore (Auke Bay), strait (four stations each in Chatham Strait and Icy Strait), and coastal (four stations off Icy Point), and were sampled from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration ship John N. Cobb. At each station, fish, zooplankton, surface water samples, and physical profile data were collected using a surface rope trawl, conical and bongo nets, and a conductivity-temperature-depth profiler, respectively, usually during daylight. Surface (2-m) temperatures and salinities ranged from 7.0 to 14.1°C and 18.0 to 32.2 PSU from May to September. A total of 52,156 fish and squid, representing 24 taxa, were captured in 108 rope trawl hauls from June to September. Juvenile Pacific salmon comprised 11% of the total catch and were the most frequently occurring species: chum (O. keta; 78%), pink (O. gorbuscha; 73%), sockeye (O. nerka; 71%), coho (O. kisutch; 65%), and chinook salmon (O. tshawtscha; 43%). Of the 5,979 salmonids caught, > 97% were juveniles. Non-salmonid species making up > 1% of total catch included walleye pollock (*Theragra chalcogramma*), eulachon (*Thaleichthys* pacificus), and soft sculpin (Psychrolutes sigalutes). Temporal and spatial differences were observed in the catch rates, size, condition, and stock of origin of juvenile salmon species, and in predation rates on them. Catches of juvenile chum, pink, sockeye, and coho salmon were generally highest in July, whereas catches of juvenile chinook salmon were highest in September. By habitat type, juvenile salmon catches were highest in straits. In the coastal habitat, catches were highest within 40 km of shore. Size of juvenile salmon increased steadily throughout the season; mean fork lengths (mm) in June and September were: pink (93 and 203), chum (96 and 201), sockeye (119 and 178), coho (164 and 259), and chinook salmon (202 and 255). Coded-wire tags were recovered from 40 juvenile, immature, and adult salmon; all were of Alaska origin. In addition, otoliths were examined from four species of juvenile salmon: 1,157 chum, 383 sockeye, 407 coho, and 69 chinook salmon; Alaska hatchery stocks were identified by thermal marks from 30%, 12%, 11%, and 74% of these species, respectively. Onboard stomach analysis of 235 potential predators, representing ten species, indicated juvenile salmon predation by 27% of the adult spiny dogfish (Squalus acanthias), 14% of the adult coho salmon, and 8% of the adult Pomfret (Brama japonica). Our results suggest that, in southeastern Alaska, juvenile salmon exhibit seasonal patterns of habitat use synchronous with environmental change, and display species- and stock-dependent migration patterns. Long term monitoring of key stocks of juvenile salmon, both on intra- and interannual bases, will enable researchers to understand how growth, abundance, and ecological interactions affect year-class strength and ocean carrying capacity for salmon.

Introduction

Studies of the early marine ecology of Pacific salmon (*Oncorhynchus* spp.) in Alaska require adequate time series of biophysical data to relate climate fluctuations to the distribution, abundance, and production of salmon. Because salmon are keystone species and constitute important ecological links between marine and terrestrial habitats, fluctuations in the survival of this important living marine resource have broad ecological and socio-economic implications for coastal localities throughout the Pacific Rim. Increasing evidence for relationships between production of Pacific salmon and shifts in climate conditions has renewed interest in processes governing salmon year-class strength (Beamish 1995). In particular, climate variation has been associated with ocean production of salmon during El Niño and La Niña events, such as the recent warming trends that benefitted many wild and hatchery stocks of Alaskan salmon (Wertheimer et al. 2001). However, research is lacking in areas such as the links between salmon production and climate variability, the links between intra- and interspecific competition and carrying capacity, and the links between stock composition and biological interactions. Past research has not provided adequate time-series data to explain such links (Pearcy 1997). Since the numbers of Alaskan salmonids produced in the region have increased over the last few decades (Wertheimer et al. 2001), mixing between stocks with different life history characteristics has also increased. The consequences of such changes on the growth, survival, distribution, and migratory rates of salmonids remain unknown.

To adequately identify mechanisms linking salmon production to climate change, synoptic data on stock-specific life history characteristics of salmon and on ocean conditions must be collected in a time series. Until recently, stock-specific information relied on laborintensive methods of marking individual fish, such as coded-wire tagging (CWT; Jefferts et al. 1963), which could not practically be applied to all of the fish released by enhancement facilities. However, mass-marking with thermally induced otolith marks (Hagen and Munk 1994) has provided technological advances. The high incidence of these marking programs in southeastern Alaska (Courtney et al. 2000) offers an opportunity to examine growth, survival, and migratory rates of specific stocks during the current record production of hatchery chum salmon (O. keta) and wild pink salmon (O. gorbuscha) in the region. For example, two private non-profit enhancement facilities in the northern region of southeastern Alaska have produced over 100 million otolith-marked juvenile chum salmon annually in recent years. Consequently, since the mid-1990s, average annual commercial harvests of about 14 million adult chum salmon have occurred in the common property fishery in the region (ADFG 2000), mostly comprised of otolith-marked fish. In addition, sockeye salmon (O. nerka), coho salmon (O. kisutch), and chinook salmon (O. tshawytscha) are also mass marked by some enhancement facilities. Examining the early marine ecology of these marked stocks provides an unprecedented opportunity to study stock-specific abundance, distribution, and species interactions of the juveniles that will later recruit to the fishery.

This coastal monitoring study in northern southeastern Alaska, known as Southeast Coastal Monitoring Project (SECM), was initiated in 1997 and repeated from 1998 to 2001 (Orsi et al. 1997, 1998, 2000, 2001), to develop our understanding of the relationships between annual time series of biophysical data and stock-specific information. Data collections from prior years have been reported in several documents (Murphy and Orsi 1999; Murphy et al. 1999; Orsi et al.

1999; 2001). This document summarizes data collected by SECM scientists on biophysical parameters from May–September 2001 in southeastern Alaska.

Methods

Thirteen stations were sampled in each of five time intervals, as conditions permitted, by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) ship *John N. Cobb* in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, from May–September 2001 (Table 1). Stations were located along the primary seaward migration corridor used by juvenile salmon that originate in this region. This corridor extends 250 km from inshore waters within the Alexander Archipelago along Chatham Strait, Icy Strait, and off Icy Point into the Gulf of Alaska (Figure 1). At each station, the physical environment, zooplankton, and fish were typically sampled during daylight, between 0700 and 2000 hours; however, some nocturnal sampling was also conducted at a pre-selected station (ISC) as part of two process studies (diel feeding periodicity and gastric evacuation of juvenile salmon) (Sturdevant et al. 2002).

The selection of the 13 core sampling stations was determined by 1) the presence of historical time series of biophysical data in the region, 2) the objective of sampling habitats that transition the primary seaward migration corridor used by juvenile salmon, and 3) the operational constraints of the vessel. The inshore station (Auke Bay Monitor, ABM) and the four Icy Strait stations were selected initially because historical data exist for them (Bruce et al. 1977; Jaenicke and Celewycz 1994; Landingham et al. 1998; Orsi et al. 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001). The Chatham Strait stations were selected to intercept juvenile otolith-marked salmon entering Icy Strait from both the south (i.e., Hidden Falls Hatchery [HF] operated by Northern Southeast Alaska Regional Aquaculture Association [NSRAA]) and from the north (i.e., Douglas Island Pink and Chum Hatchery [DIPAC] facilities) (Figure 1). The Icy Point stations were selected to monitor conditions in the coastal habitat of the Gulf of Alaska. Vessel and sampling gear constraints limited operations to distances ≥ 1.5 km and ≤ 65 km of shore, and to bottom depths ≥ 75 m, which precluded trawling at the Auke Bay Monitor station (Table 1). Sea conditions of < 2.5 m waves and < 12.5 m/sec winds were usually necessary to operate the sampling gear safely, which particularly influenced sampling opportunities in coastal waters.

Oceanographic sampling

Oceanographic data were collected at each station before or immediately after each trawl haul and consisted of one conductivity-temperature-depth profiler (CTD) cast, one or more vertical plankton hauls with conical nets, and one double oblique plankton haul with a bongo net system. The CTD data were collected with a Sea-Bird¹ SBE 19 Seacat profiler to 200 m or within 10 m of the bottom. Surface (2-m) temperature and salinity data were collected at 1-minute intervals with an onboard thermosalinograph (Sea-Bird SBE 21). Surface water samples were taken at each station for later nutrient and chlorophyll analysis contracted to the University of Washington School of Oceanography Marine Chemistry Laboratory. At least one shallow haul (20-m) was made at each station and one deep haul (to 200 m or within 20 m of bottom)

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was made at Auke Bay Monitor and the Icy Point stations (Table 2). Following previous zooplankton sampling programs in the region, a NORPAC net (50 cm, 243 μ m mesh) was used or the shallow vertical hauls; following GLOBEC standards (U.S. GLOBEC 1996) a WP-2 net (57 cm, 202 μ m mesh) was used for the deep vertical hauls. In addition, a double oblique bongo haul was taken at each station to a depth of 200 m or within 20 m of the bottom using a 60-cm diameter frame with 505 μ m and 333 μ m mesh nets. A Bendix bathykymograph was used with the oblique bongo hauls to record the maximum sampling depths. General Oceanics or Roshiga flow meters were placed inside the bongo and deep conical nets for calculation of filtered water volumes. To quantify ambient light levels that could influence zooplankton vertical migration, light intensities (W/m²) were recorded at each station with a Li-Cor Model 189 radiometer.

Zooplankton samples were preserved in a 5% formalin-seawater solution. In the laboratory, zooplankton settled volumes (ZSV, ml) and total settled volumes (TSV, ml) of each 20-m vertical haul were measured after settling the samples 24 hrs in Imhof cones. Mean ZSV were determined for pooled stations by habitat and month.

Fish sampling

Fish sampling was accomplished with a Nordic 264 rope trawl modified to fish the surface water directly astern the NOAA ship John N. Cobb. The trawl was 184 m long and had a mouth opening of 24 m \times 30 m (depth \times width). The John N. Cobb is a 29-m research vessel built in 1950 with a main engine of 325 horsepower and a cruising speed of 10 knots. A pair of 3-m foam-filled Lite trawl doors, each weighing 544 kg (91 kg submerged), was used to spread the trawl open. Earlier gear trials with this vessel and trawl indicated the actual fishing dimensions of the trawl to be 18 m vertical (head rope to foot rope) and 24 m horizontal (wingtip to wingtip), with a spread between the trawl doors ranging from 52 to 60 m (Orsi et al., unpubl. cruise report 1996). Trawl mesh sizes from the jib lines aft to the cod end were 162.6 cm, 81.3 cm, 40.6 cm, 20.3 cm, 12.7 cm, and 10.1 cm over the 129.6 m meshed portion of the rope trawl. A 6.1 m long, 0.8-cm knotless liner was sewn into the cod end. To keep the trawl headrope at the surface, a cluster of three A-4 Polyform buoys, each encased in a knotted mesh bag, was tethered to each wingtip of the headrope and one A-3 Polyform float was clipped onto the center of the headrope. The trawl also contained a small mesh panel of 10.2 cm mesh sewn along the jib lines on the top panel of the trawl between the head rope and the 162.6 cm mesh to reduce loss of small fish. The trawl was fished with 137 m of 1.6-cm wire main warp attached to each door and three 55-m (two 1.0-cm and one 1.3-cm) wire bridles.

Each trawl haul was fished across a station for 20 min at ~1.5 m/sec (3 knots), covering approximately 1.9 km (1.0 nautical miles). Station coordinates were targeted as the midpoint of the trawl haul; however, current, swell, and wind conditions dictated the direction in which the trawl was set. Trawling effort in the strait habitat was increased to ensure that sufficient samples of marked juvenile salmon were obtained for comparison among previous years. In particular, replicate trawls were conducted in Icy Strait when weather and time allowed, with minimal accompanying oceanographic sampling.

After each trawl haul, the fish were anesthetized, identified, enumerated, measured, labeled, bagged, and frozen. Tricaine methanesulfonate (MS-222) was used to anesthetize the fish. After the catch was sorted, fish and squid were measured to the nearest mm fork length (FL) or mantle length with a Limnotera FMB IV electronic measuring board (Chaput et al. 1992). Usually all fish and squid were measured, but very large catches were sub-sampled due

to processing time constraints. Up to fifty juvenile salmon of each species were bagged individually, the remainder were bagged in bulk. All were frozen immediately after measurement. During times of extended processing, fish were chilled with ice packs to minimize tissue decomposition and gastric activity. All chinook and coho salmon were examined for missing adipose fins, indicating the possible presence of implanted CWTs; those with adipose fins intact were again screened through a detector in the laboratory. The snouts of these were dissected later in the laboratory to recover CWTs, which were then decoded and verified.

Frozen individual juvenile salmon were weighed in the laboratory to the nearest gram (g). Mean lengths, weights, and Fulton condition factors (g/FL³*10⁵; Cone 1989) were computed for each species by habitat and sampling interval. To identify stock of origin of juvenile chum, sockeye, coho, and chinook salmon, sagittal otoliths were extracted from the crania and preserved in 95% ethyl alcohol. Laboratory processing of otoliths for thermal marks was contracted to DIPAC. Otoliths were prepared for microscopic examination of potential thermal marks by mounting them on slides and grinding them down to the primordia (Secor et al. 1992). Ambiguous otolith thermal marks were verified by personnel at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game otolith laboratory. Stock composition and growth trajectories of thermally marked fish were then determined for each month and habitat.

Potential predators of juvenile salmon from each haul were identified, measured, and weighed onboard the vessel. Their stomachs were then excised, weighed, and classified by percent fullness. Stomach contents were removed, empty stomachs weighed, and total content weight determined by subtraction. General prey composition was determined and contribution to the nearest 10% of total volume was estimated. The wet weight contribution of each prey taxon was then estimated as its percent volume times total content weight. Fish prey were identified to species, if possible, and lengths estimated. The incidence and rate of predation on juvenile salmon was computed for each potential predator species. Overall diets were summarized by percent weight of major prey taxa and the frequency of feeding fish.

Results and Discussion

During the 5-month (27 d) survey in 2001, data were collected from 108 rope trawl hauls, 120 CTD casts, 212 bongo net hauls, 147 conical net hauls (130 from 20-m depths and 17 from 200-m depths), and 54 surface water samples (Table 2). The sampling intervals occurred near the ends of each month. In May, oceanographic sampling was completed at all stations; four rope trawl hauls were done to test trawl operations and confirm the absence of juvenile salmon observed in previous years. After May, the strait habitat was consistently sampled monthly from June to September; the coastal habitat was only sampled in June and July due to time constraints and inclement fall weather (Table 2).

Oceanography

Sea surface (2 m) temperature and salinity data differed by month and between habitat. Overall, surface temperatures and salinities during the survey ranged from 7.0 to 14.1°C and 18.0 to 32.2 PSU from May to September (Table 3). Temperatures increased dramatically from May to June in strait and inshore habitats and from May to July in the coastal habitat. For the remainder of the season in the inshore and strait habitats, temperatures leveled off in July and

August, then declined in September (Figure 2a). Salinities in the inshore and strait habitats declined sharply from May to June, then increased gradually through September (Figure 2b). Salinities were consistently high in the coastal habitat from May to July.

A total of 54 surface water samples were taken at 13 stations over the course of the season (Tables 2 and 4). Nutrient value ranges and means were 0.1-1.5 and 0.6 μ M for PO₄, 2.6-36.6 and 15.0 μ M for Si(OH)₄, 0.0-17.9 and 4.8 μ M for NO₃, 0.0-0.3 and 0.1 μ M for NO₂, and 0.0-4.0 and 0.9 μ M for NH₄. Chlorophyll ranged from 0.0-4.9 mg/m³ ($\bar{x} = 1.4$) and phaeopigment ranged from 0.0-0.8 mg/m³ ($\bar{x} = 0.2$; Table 4).

Plankton volumes were highly variable among habitats, but seasonal patterns were evident from the 20-m NORPAC hauls (Table 5, Figure 2c). Qualitative, visual examination of samples indicated a wide diversity of zooplankton taxa and phytoplankton was present only in the inshore and strait habitats. In all habitats, zooplankton volumes increased from May to June, then declined sharply in July (Figure 2c). The spatial pattern generally showed highest zooplankton volumes in the strait habitat in May and June, and the lowest in September. The peak volume for all stations and months was 48 ml ZSV during June in the strait habitat. Ambient light intensities during the sampling season ranged 0-854 W/m 2 ($\bar{x} = 184$).

Catch composition

A total of 52,156 fish and squid, representing 24 taxa, were captured in 108 rope trawl hauls from June to September (Table 6). Juvenile Pacific salmon comprised 11% of the total catch and were the most frequently occurring species: chum (78%), pink (73%), sockeye (71%), coho (65%), and chinook (43%) salmon (Table 7). Of the 5,979 salmonids caught, > 97% were juveniles. Non-salmonid species making up > 1% of total catch included walleye pollock (*Theragra chalcogramma*), eulachon (*Thaleichthys pacificus*), and soft sculpin (*Psychrolutes sigalutes*). Juvenile salmon were the dominant species in the coastal habitat, however walleye pollock and eulachon were the dominant species in the strait habitat (Figure 3). Catches and life history stages of the salmon are listed in Appendix 1 by date, haul number, and station.

Distribution of juvenile salmon differed for the months, habitats, and species sampled; however, the patterns were consistent with observations from previous years (Orsi et al. 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001). By month, the overall catches were highest in June and July and lowest in August and September (Figure 4). By habitat, the highest catches per haul generally occurred in straits for all species of juvenile salmon. In the strait habitat, the highest catch per haul of sockeye and coho salmon occurred in June and July, while the highest catch per haul of pink and chum salmon occurred in July, and the highest catch per haul of chinook salmon occurred in September. Overall, in the coastal habitat, the highest catch per haul of juvenile salmon along the 65 km Icy Point offshore transect occurred within 40 km of shore (Figure 5).

Seasonal and diel patterns in the catches were apparent for juvenile salmon and the most abundant non-salmonids. Among the juvenile salmonids, pink, chum, sockeye, and coho salmon were captured early- to mid-season, primarily in June and July, whereas chinook salmon were captured later, primarily in September (Table 6). Walleye pollock and eulachon, the two most abundant non-salmonid species, were found mainly in the latter part of the season in August and September. Distinct differences in the diel catch patterns of these two species were observed in the strait habitat (Figure 3). From day to night, walleye pollock composition increased from 60% to 80%, consistent with the known vertical migration behavior of this species (Smith 1981), whereas eulachon increased even more dramatically, from 0% to 100%. Conversely, salmonid

composition in the strait habitat declined from 25% to 1% from day to night. The highest composition of salmonids (50%) was found in the coastal habitat, which was only fished during the day.

Size and condition of juvenile salmon differed among the species and sampling intervals (Tables 8-12; Figures 6-8). Juvenile coho and chinook salmon were consistently 25–100 mm longer than sockeye, chum, and pink salmon. All species increased in both length and weight in successive intervals, indicating growth despite the influx of additional stocks with varied times of saltwater entry. Mean FLs (mm) for each species of juvenile salmon in June–July–August–September were: pink (93–121–155–203), chum (96–123–145–201), sockeye (119–126–147–178), coho (164–190–227–259), and chinook (202–216–246–255). Mean weights (g) for each species of juvenile salmon in June–July–August–September were: pink (7.5–17.1–35.6–82.8), chum (8.5–18.4–32.1–91.6), sockeye (18.1–22.1–35.7–62.0), coho (50.4–84.9–141.8–216.6), and chinook (64.3–138.3–209.1–239.7). Condition factor values generally increased for each species of juvenile salmon from June–July–August–September were: pink (0.9–0.9–1.0–1.0), chum (0.9–0.9–1.0–1.1), sockeye (1.0–1.0–1.0–1.0), coho (1.1–1.1–1.2–1.2), and chinook (1.2–1.3–1.3); values >1 for species condition indicated healthy feeding environments.

Forty of the 44 juvenile, immature, and adult salmon lacking adipose fins contained CWTs (Table 13). Twelve CWTs were recovered from chinook salmon and 28 CWTs were recovered from coho salmon. All CWT fish were recovered in the strait habitat and originated from hatchery and wild stocks of the northern region of southeastern Alaska. Of the CWT chinook salmon, nine were juveniles (no marine winters, age 1.0); immatures included two age 1.1 fish and one age 1.2 fish. Of the CWT coho salmon, 27 were juveniles and one was a maturing adult (age 1.1). Migration rates of juvenile chinook (0.5-5.9, $\bar{x} = 2.3 \text{ km/d}$) averaged about 1 km/day faster than that of juvenile coho salmon (0.3-2.5, $\bar{x} = 1.4 \text{ km/d}$).

Stock-specific information for juvenile chum salmon was derived from the otoliths of a sub-sample of 1,157 fish, representing about 56% of those caught (Table 14). These fish were the same individuals sampled for weight and condition. Of all chum salmon otoliths examined, 353 (31%) were marked: 215 (19%) were from DIPAC and 138 (12%) were from HF. The remaining 804 (69%) chum salmon were unmarked and included both wild stocks and possibly unmarked hatchery stocks from southern release localities. In strait habitat, where sufficient numbers of chum salmon were sampled in all four time periods to examine temporal patterns, the composition of hatchery chum salmon declined from about 55% in June to 3% in September; DIPAC stock contributed most in June, whereas the HF stock contributed most in July (Figure 9).

Stock-specific information for juvenile sockeye salmon was derived from the otoliths of a sub-sample of 383 fish, representing about 83% of those caught (Table 15). These fish were the same individuals sampled for weight and condition. Of all the sockeye salmon otoliths examined, 46 (12%) were marked and originated from the DIPAC Snettisham hatchery from four release groups: early-small (13), early large (17), late small (4), and late large (12). Hatchery stock contribution of sockeye salmon was greatest in June for both habitats. As with chum salmon, numbers of sockeye salmon sufficient to examine temporal patterns were only caught in the strait habitat all four time periods. Hatchery stocks of sockeye salmon declined from 12-17% in June and July to 0-5% in August and September (Figure 10).

Stock-specific information for juvenile coho salmon was derived from the otoliths of a sub-sample of 407 fish, representing about 58% of those caught. These fish were the same individuals sampled for weight and condition. Of all the coho salmon otoliths examined, 44 (11%) were marked and originated from DIPAC hatchery and were caught only in the strait habitat. Hatchery stock contribution of coho salmon increased from 2% in June to 42% in September (Figure 11).

Stock-specific information for juvenile chinook salmon was derived from the otoliths of a sub-sample of 69 fish, representing about 73% of those caught. These fish were the same individuals sampled for weight and condition. Of all the chinook salmon otoliths examined, 51 (74%) were marked and originated from three hatcheries: HF (37), Medvejie (ME) (13), and DIPAC (1), and were caught only in the strait habitat. Hatchery stock contribution of chinook salmon ranged from 55% to 90% and showed no seasonal pattern (Figure 12).

Monthly samples of thermally marked juvenile chum, sockeye, coho, and chinook salmon were used to examine stock-specific growth trajectories. Weights of juvenile salmon from marked stocks were compared with weights of juvenile salmon from unmarked stocks (Figures 13-14). The marked salmon stocks were from DIPAC, HF, and ME hatcheries; these fish were released in 2001 at the following approximate dates and size ranges: chum, April-May (1-4 g); sockeye, April-June (5-10 g); coho, May-June (15-23 g); and chinook salmon, May-July (9-59 g). For all species except coho salmon, individual hatchery stocks were larger than unmarked stocks, probably because hatchery fish were fed before release and unmarked stocks were comprised of late out migrants from many, constantly-recruiting stocks.

Stomachs of 235 potential predators of juvenile salmon were examined, representing 10 species of fish: 78 adult walleye pollock, 15 adult spiny dogfish (*Squalus acanthias*), 46 immature chinook salmon, 53 adult pink salmon, 5 adult chum salmon, 16 adult coho salmon, 1 adult black rockfish (*Sebastes melanops*), and 12 adult pomfret (*Brama japonica*) (Table 16). Overall, 84% of the stomachs contained food. Fish with relatively high rates of non-feeding (more than 20% of individuals) included adult pink and sockeye salmon and adult spiny dogfish. We observed a total of six incidences of predation on juvenile salmon. These predation events occurred in the coastal habitat in July by 8% of adult pomfret and 27% of adult spiny dogfish, and in the strait habitat in late August and September by 14% of adult coho salmon (Table 16).

On a seasonal basis, diets of three predator species, immature chinook salmon, adult coho salmon and spiny dogfish, were dominated by fish prey weight (Figure 15a). The prey biomass of all other species examined except sablefish (*Anoplopoma fimbria*) included some percentage of fish, as well. Prey fish included a variety of non-salmonid species: larvae and juveniles of Pacific herring (*Clupea pallasi*), capelin, Pacific sandlance (*Ammodytes hexapterus*), walleye pollock, cottids, eulachon, pleuronectids, myctophids, and unidentified fish larvae or remains. The dominant invertebrate prey included euphausiids, crab larvae (zoeae and megalops) amphipods (hyperiids) and pteropods for adult pink, chum and sockeye salmon; chum salmon stomachs also contained a large percent weight of unidentifiable material that did not appear to be the typical gelatinous taxa they consume. Walleye pollock consumed about equal percentages of euphausiids and fish prey overall, while pomfret and sablefish were unusual in having diets dominated by squid and pteropods (Figure 15a).

Samples of two species were captured consistently enough to allow comparison of diets across months: walleye pollock from five months (May-September, n = 9-24) and immature chinook salmon from four months (June-September, n = 4-17) (Figure 15b). Some of the

walleye pollock stomachs were empty in each month ($\leq 33\%$), but the chinook salmon exhibited empty stomachs in only two of four months ($\leq 25\%$). The piscivorus feeding mode was consistent across months for immature chinook salmon, while adult walleye pollock consistently preyed on crustaceans, including decapod larvae, euphausiids and hyperiid amphipods, and smaller percentages of fish (Figure 15b).

In the past five years, coastal monitoring in southeastern Alaska has shown similar and contrasting patterns with respect to the temporal and spatial occurrence of biophysical data from prior years. A common annual pattern of seasonality existed in surface temperatures and salinity levels which increased progressively westward from inshore to coastal habitats. In 2001, surface temperatures were neither warmer nor colder than in prior years. In contrast, warmer El Niño conditions of 1997-1998, were cooler than La Niña conditions of 1999, indicating lower temperatures and lower zooplankton volumes which may have led to the lower growth observed for juvenile salmon in 1999 compared to 1997-98 (Orsi et al. 2000). The coastal monitoring of stations in the northern region of southeastern Alaska is currently ongoing, and in 2002, stations in each habitat were sampled monthly from May to August. Long-term ecological monitoring of key juvenile salmon stocks, including ocean sampling programs that operate at appropriate spatial and temporal scales and encompass a variety of environmental conditions, is needed to understand relationships of habitat use, marine growth, and hatchery and wild stock interactions to year-class strength and ocean carrying capacity for salmon.

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Table 1.-Localities and coordinates of stations sampling in the marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska using the NOAA ship *John N. Cobb*, May, June, July, August, and September 2001. See Figure 1.

				Dis	stance	
<u>Habitat</u>	Station	Latitude North	Longitude West	offshore km	between km	Depth m
Inshore		4 1 D				
	. 53.6		ay station	4.5		
	ABM	58° 22.00'	134° 40.00'	1.5		60
Strait		Upper Chathai	n Strait transect			
	UCA	58° 04.57'	135° 00.08'	3.2		400
	UCB	58° 06.22'	135° 00.91'	6.4	3.2	100
	UCC	58° 07.95'	135° 01.69'	6.4	3.2	100
	UCD	58° 09.64'	135° 02.52'	3.2	3.2	200
		Icy Stra	it transect			
	ISA	58° 13.25'	135° 31.76'	3.2	_	128
	ISB	58° 14.22'	135° 29.26'	6.4	3.2	200
	ISC	58° 15.28'	135° 26.65'	6.4	3.2	200
	ISD	58° 16.38'	135° 23.98'	3.2	3.2	234
Coastal		Icy Poir	at transect			
		10, 1011	it transcet			
	IPA	58° 20.12'	137°07.16'	6.9		160
	IPB	58° 12.71'	137°16.96'	23.4	16.8	130
	IPC	58° 05.28'	137°26.75'	40.2	16.8	150
	IPD	57° 53.50'	137°42.60'	65.0	24.8	1,300

Table 2.—Numbers and types of data collected at different habitat types sampled monthly in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May–September 2001.

				Data col	lection ty	pe*	
Dates		Rope	CTD		20-m	WP-2	Chlorophyll
(days)	Habitat	trawl	cast	Bongo	vertical	vertical	& nutrients
19–20, 24 May	Inshore	0	1	2	3	1	1
(3 days)	Strait	4	8	24	8	0	8
•	Coastal	0	4	8	4	4	4
	All May	4	13	34	15	5	13
26 June–01 July	Inshore	0	1	2	3	1	1
(6 days)	Strait	21	21	40	21	0	7
	Coastal	4	4	8	4	4	4
	All June	25	26	50	28	5	12
27 July–01 Aug.	Inshore	0	1	2	3	1	1
(6 days)	Strait	24	23	40	23	0	6
	Coastal	4	4	8	4	4	4
	All July	28	28	50	30	5	11
26–31 August	Inshore	0	1	2	3	1	1
(6 days)	Strait	24	24	34	24	0	8
	Coastal	0	0	0	0	0	0
	All August	24	25	36	27	1	9
26 Sept.–01 Oct.	Inshore	0	1	2	3	1	1
(6 days)	Strait	27	27	40	27	0	8
	Coastal	0	0	0	0	0	0
	All September	27	28	42	30	1	9
Total		108	120	212	130	17	54

^{*}Rope trawl = 20-min hauls with NORDIC 264 surface trawl 20 \times 24 m; CTD casts = to 200 m or within 10 m of the bottom; Bongo tow = 60-cm diameter frame, 505 and 333 μ meshes, double oblique haul to 200 m or within 20 m of the bottom; 20-m vertical = 50-cm diameter frame, 243 μ conical net towed vertically from 20 m; WP-2 vertical = 57-cm diameter frame, 202 μ conical net towed vertically from 200 m or within 20 m of the bottom.

Table 3.—Surface (2-m) temperature and salinity data collected monthly in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May–September 2001. Station code acronyms are listed in Table 1. NS denotes no sampling.

Habitat	*		Salinity (PSU)	Temp.	Salinity (PSU)	Temp. (°C)	Salinity (PSU)	Temp. (°C)	Salinity (PSU)
			Auk	te Bay sta	tion (ABM	1)			
Inshore	May	7.9	28.8						
HISHOTE	June	13.4	18.0	_	-	_	_	_	_
	July	12.7	18.9	_	_	_	_	_	_
	August	12.4	20.2	_	_	_	_	_	_
	Septemb		23.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
		U	pper Chath	nam Strait	transect st	tations (4)			
Strait			UCA	Ţ	JCB	U	CC	UC	CD
241411	May	7.1	30.0	7.4	30.8	7.8	30.7	7.0	30.7
	June	11.9	26.4	12.3	26.1	12.9	26.3	10.9	28.1
	July	12.1	26.9	12.6	25.7	12.5	23.3	11.9	25.4
	August	12.2	26.4	11.8	27.0	12.4	25.6	12.5	21.1
	Septemb	er 9.0	28.9	9.5	28.1	9.4	27.8	9.4	27.4
			Icy St	rait transe	ct stations	(4)			
		I	SA	IS	SB	I	SC	IS	SD
	May	7.2	31.2	7.2	31.3	7.0	31.1	7.1	31.0
	June	12.2	28.2	11.0	26.9	12.3	23.6	12.2	24.1
	July	10.2	29.2	11.0	29.0	12.1	25.8	12.8	22.6
	August	12.7	22.3	12.4	24.5	12.8	21.5	12.6	23.3
	Septemb	er 8.8	28.5	9.0	28.1	9.1	28.3	9.2	27.9
			Icy Po	oint transe	ct stations	(4)			
Coastal		I	PA	II	PB	Ι	PC	II	PD
	May	7.1	31.9	7.4	31.9	7.8	32.1	7.6	32.2
	June	12.6	32.0	11.5	31.9	12.1	32.1	11.7	32.0
	July	13.6	31.7	13.3	31.7	13.8	32.0	14.1	32.0
	August	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
	Septemb	er NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

Table 4.—Nutrient and chlorophyll measurements from surface water samples in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May–September 2001. Station code acronyms are listed in Table 1. NS denotes no sampling.

	_		Nutri	ents [µM]		CI I I II	DI .	
Station	Date	[PO ₄]	[Si(OH) ₄]	$[NO_3]$	$[NO_2]$	$[NH_4]$	Chlorophyll (mg/m ³)	Phaeopigment (mg/m³)
ABM	19 May	0.29	3.03	0.25	0.03	1.15	1.27	0.26
	26 June	0.77	7.86	0.00	0.07	0.87	2.33	0.09
	27 July	0.11	4.60	0.02	0.03	0.97	1.39	0.38
	26 August	0.07	3.62	0.00	0.02	0.27	1.10	0.04
	26 September	0.69	22.12	7.82	0.19	2.16	0.28	0.09
UCA	19 May	1.33	14.50	9.42	0.21	3.44	0.04	0.01
	29 July	0.05	15.48	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.61	0.08
	26 August	0.35	15.77	2.48	0.08	0.09	1.97	0.35
	26 September	1.19	30.08	13.62	0.27	0.39	0.93	0.39
UCB	19 May	1.12	9.55	7.06	0.19	3.31	NS	0.02
	26 June	0.06	12.37	0.06	0.01	0.15	3.10	0.18
	26 August	0.26	14.22	1.50	0.21	0.18	1.97	0.28
	26 September	1.34	32.49	15.81	0.32	0.35	0.9	0.37
UCC	19 May	1.12	7.61	6.63	0.19	3.61	0.04	0.01
	26 June	0.15	12.18	0.00	0.05	0.43	2.20	0.27
	26 August	0.14	10.54	1.00	0.04	0.46	0.50	0.06
	26 September	1.37	32.10	15.36	0.34	0.51	1.08	0.35
UCD	19 May	1.19	7.80	7.05	0.20	4.00	0.06	0.02
	26 June	0.05	11.60	0.00	0.00	0.28	2.79	0.23
	29 July	0.09	13.64	0.00	0.02	0.21	2.11	0.76
	26 August	0.19	11.71	1.28	0.05	0.47	0.74	0.11
	26 September	1.22	29.59	14.25	0.31	0.59	1.57	0.47
ISA	20 May	1.29	14.42	9.22	0.26	2.52	1.21	0.27
	28 June	0.18	4.98	0.24	0.03	0.68	4.53	0.57
	29 July	0.25	13.18	0.38	0.05	0.24	NS	NS
	27 August	0.16	10.97	0.79	0.07	0.88	0.64	0.12
	27 September	1.48	36.58	17.92	0.34	0.48	0.70	0.25
ISB	20 May	1.37	14.42	9.43	0.24	2.82	1.28	0.23
	28 June	0.15	4.12	0.45	0.07	0.57	4.90	0.57
	29 July	0.16	9.62	0.45	0.08	0.54	NS	NS
	27 August	0.14	9.63	0.42	0.12	0.68	1.63	0.12
	27 September	1.40	33.60	16.84	0.32	0.32	1.02	0.29
ISC	20 May	1.28	11.43	8.74	0.21	3.54	0.05	0.03
	28 June	0.09	2.77	0.11	0.02	0.25	4.27	0.74
	29 July	0.08	5.49	0.13	0.06	0.43	0.63	0.10

Table 4.—(Cont.)

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Station	Date	[PO ₄]	[Si(OH) ₄]	[NO ₃]	$[NO_2]$	[NH ₄]	(mg/m ³)	Phaeopigment (mg/m³)
ISC	27 August	0.25	12.51	1.12	0.04	0.56	1.32	0.14
	27 September	1.45	33.69	16.42	0.32	0.50	1.09	0.33
ISD	20 May	1.26	11.24	8.65	0.22	3.63	NS	0.02
	28 June	0.09	2.58	0.02	0.02	0.11	3.83	0.76
	29 July	0.07	4.82	0.44	0.00	0.25	0.55	0.11
	27 August	0.22	11.84	1.02	0.05	0.78	1.07	0.13
	27 September	1.33	31.87	15.26	0.30	0.38	1.49	0.45
IPA	24 May	1.37	26.03	12.65	0.23	1.21	0.88	0.55
	27 June	0.72	16.25	0.36	0.05	0.14	0.92	0.10
	28 July	0.43	13.43	0.00	0.07	0.46	NS	NS
IPB	24 May	1.27	28.18	11.68	0.25	0.80	0.60	0.35
	27 June	0.52	22.20	0.30	0.07	0.06	4.75	0.51
	28 July	0.37	10.80	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.70	0.23
IPC	24 May	1.15	23.48	10.17	0.23	0.65	0.60	0.16
	27 June	0.51	15.76	0.07	0.02	0.03	1.49	0.14
	28 July	0.39	8.86	0.00	0.01	0.14	NS	NS
IPD	24 May	1.15	24.26	10.17	0.23	0.61	0.29	0.08
	27 June	0.45	10.02	0.06	0.02	0.16	0.95	0.24
	28 July	0.42	8.18	0.00	0.02	0.19	0.18	0.07

Table 5.—Zooplankton (ZSV) and total plankton (TSV) settled volumes (ml) from vertical 20-m NORPAC hauls sampled monthly in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May–September 2001. Station code acronyms are listed in Table 1. NS denotes no sampling. Asterisk denotes that separation of zooplankton was not distinct but was estimated. Volumetric density (ml/m³) can be computed by dividing by a factor of 3.9.

Habitat	Month	ZSV	TSV	ZSV	TSV	ZSV	TSV	ZSV	TSV
Inshore									
				Auke Bay	y station				
			BM						
	May	12.0*							—
	June	19.0	19.0						
	July	10.0*						_	_
	August	20.0	20.0						
	September	5.0*	55.0		_	_		_	_
Strait									
				per Chatham					
		UC		UC		UC		UC	
	May	28.0	28.0	42.0	42.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
	June	20.0	20.0	26.0	26.0	48.0	48.0	19.0	19.0
	July	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	6.0	6.0
	August	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.0
	September	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
				Icy Strait	transect				
		I	SA		SB	I	SC	I	SD
	May	16.0*	34.0	15.0*	45.0	18.0	18.0	23.0	23.0
	June	24.0	24.0	19.0	19.0	38.0	38.0	42.0	42.0
	July	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	6.0	6.0
	August	4.0	4.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	3.0	3.0
	September		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
	1								
Coastal									
				Icy Point	transect				
		I	PA		PB	I	PC	I	PD
M	lay	6.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	31.0	31.0	26.0	26.0
	ine	22.0	22.0	7.0	7.0	12.0	12.0	43.0	43.0
	ıly	13.0	13.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	8.0
	ugust	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
	eptember	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

Table 6.—Numbers of fishes and squid caught monthly with a rope trawl in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June–September 2001.

Common	Scientific			Number c	aught	
name	name	June	July	August	September	Total
Pink salmon ¹	Oncorhynchus gorbuscha	164	1,387	338	644	2,533
Chum salmon ¹	O. keta	484	1,354	128	105	2,071
Coho salmon ¹	O. kisutch	278	367	32	19	696
Sockeye salmon ¹	O. nerka	149	166	18	129	462
Chinook salmon ¹	O. tshawtscha	14	24	15	42	95
Chinook salmon ²	O. tshawtscha	17	15	10	4	46
Sockeye salmon ²	O. nerka	0	1	0	0	1
Pink salmon ³	O. gorbuscha	5	51	3	0	51
Coho salmon ³	O. kisutch	1	6	8	1	16
Chum salmon ³	O. keta	3	0	2	0	5
Sockeye salmon ³	O. nerka	2	1	0	0	3
•						
Walleye pollock ⁴	Theragra chalcogramma	18	3,308	9,744	27,121	40,247
Eulachon	Thaleichthys pacificus	0	918	3,380	308	4,606
Soft sculpin	Psychrolutes sigalutes	0	0	5	902	907
Squid	Gonatidae	76	29	6	9	120
Crested sculpin	Blepsias bilobus	4	31	57	8	100
Capelin	Mallotus villosus	1	0	1	57	59
Pacific herring	Clupea pallasi	0	5	5	15	25
Smelt	Osmeridae	0	0	0	21	21
Spiny dogfish	Squalus acanthias	3	12	0	0	15
Pacific sandlance	Ammodytes hexapterus	15	0	0	0	15
Pomfret	Brama japonica	0	12	0	0	12
Lingcod	Ophiodon elongatus	8	0	0	0	8
Sablefish	Anoplopoma fimbria	5	0	0	0	5
Fish larvae (unid.)	Teleostomi	5	0	0	0	5
Rockfish	Sebastes spp.	1	3	0	0	4
Smooth lumpsucker	Aptocyclus ventricosus	1	0	1	2	4
Wolf-eel	Anarrhichthys ocellatus	0	1	2	0	3
Pacific spiny lumpsucker	Eumicrotremus orbis	0	0	1	2	3
Sturgeon poacher	Agonus acipenserinus	0	0	0	2	2
Pacific saury	Cololabis saira	1	0	0	0	1
Whitespotted greenling	Hexagrammos stelleri	0	0	1	0	1
Total		1,253	7,692	13,764	29,391	52,156
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¹Juvenile ²Immature ³ Adult

⁴An additional 56 walleye pollock were caught in four trawl hauls in May

Table 7.—Frequency of occurrence for fishes and squid sampled with a rope trawl in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June–September 2001. Percentage occurrence per 104 hauls shown in parentheses.

	•	Frequency of occurrence											
Common name	Scientific name	June	July	August	September	Total	(%)						
Pink salmon ¹	Oncorhynchus gorbuscha	11	21	21	23	76	(73)						
Chum salmon ¹	O. keta	20	22	19	20	81	(78)						
Coho salmon ¹	O. kisutch	20	25	14	9	68	(65)						
Sockeye salmon ¹	O. nerka	20	21	10	23	74	(71)						
Chinook salmon ¹	O. tshawtscha	10	10	9	16	45	(43)						
Chinook salmon ²	O. tshawtscha	10	8	6	3	27	(26)						
Sockeye salmon ²	O. nerka	0	1	0	0	1	(1)						
Pink salmon ³	O. gorbuscha	4	17	3	0	24	(23)						
Coho salmon ³	O. kisutch	1	5	6	1	13	(12)						
Chum salmon ³	O. keta	3	0	1	0	4	(4)						
Sockeye salmon ³	O. nerka	2	1	0	0	3	(3)						
Walleye pollock	Theragra chalcogramma	10	12	6	10	38	(37)						
Eulachon	Thaleichthys pacificus	0	1	2	4	7	(7)						
Soft sculpin	Psychrolutes sigalutes	0	0	4	23	27	(26)						
Squid	Gonatidae	1	2	1	4	8	(8)						
Crested sculpin	Blepsias bilobus	4	15	21	6	46	(44)						
Capelin	Mallotus villosus	1	0	1	3	5	(5)						
Pacific herring	Clupea pallasi	0	5	1	5	11	(10)						
Smelt	Osmeridae	0	0	0	3	3	(3)						
Spiny dogfish	Squalus acanthias	2	2	0	0	4	(4)						
Pacific sandlance	Ammodytes hexapterus	1	0	0	0	1	(1)						
Pomfret	Brama japonica	0	1	0	0	1	(1)						
Lingcod	Ophiodon elongatus	3	0	0	0	3	(3)						
Sablefish	Anoplopoma fimbria	1	0	0	0	1	(1)						
Fish larvae (unid.)	Teleostomi	3	0	0	0	3	(3)						
Rockfish	Sebastes spp.	1	2	0	0	3	(3)						
Smooth lumpsucker	Aptocyclus ventricosus	1	0	1	2	4	(4)						
Wolf-eel	Anarrhichthys ocellatus	0	1	2	0	3	(3)						
Pacific spiny lumpsucker	Eumicrotremus orbis	0	0	1	2	3	(3)						
Sturgeon poacher	Agonus acipenserinus	0	0	0	2	2	(2)						
Pacific saury	Cololabis saira	1	0	0	0	1	(1)						
Whitespotted greenling	Hexagrammos stelleri	0	0	1	0	1	(1)						

¹Juvenile

²Immature

³Adult

Table 8.—Length (mm fork), weight (g), and condition [(weight/length³)*(10⁵)] of juvenile pink salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. NS denotes no sampling.

		June				July				August				September			
Locality	Factor	n	range	χ̄	sd	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	n	range	x	sd
Upper	Length	93	65-111	93.3	10.3	646	85-151	118.8	11.2	64	123-186	161.7	13.2	285	140-245	202.5	12.6
Chatham	Weight	93	2.1-12.3	7.5	2.4	180	6.9-34.3	17.1	5.3	64	17.1-63.9	42.4	10.4	47	54.6-127.9	86.7	15.1
Strait	Condition	93	0.8-1.0	0.9	0.0	180	0.8-1.9	0.9	0.1	64	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	47	0.9-1.2	1.0	0.1
Icy	Length	70	77-117	92.9	8.0	680	97-163	124.2	8.9	274	96-205	153.3	17.0	359	143-239	202.9	13.0
•	•				2.1		9.3-42.0					32.9					
Strait	Weight	47	4.2-11.5	7.4		295			4.6	161	6.9-86.1		11.7		27.1-157.9		
	Condition	47	0.5-1.2	0.9	0.1	295	0.6-2.0	0.9	0.1	161	0.5-1.2	1.0	0.1	162	0.9-1.2	1.0	0.1
Icy	Length					83	91-156	109.5	13.1	NS				NS			
Point	Weight					83	6.2-35.7	12.8	6.0	NS				NS			
	Condition	_				83	0.8-1.7	0.9	0.1	NS				NS			
Total	Length	163	65-117	93.1	9.4	1409	85-163	120.9	10.9	338	96-205	154.9	16.7	644	140-245	202.7	12.8
	Weight	140	2.1-12.3	7.5	2.3	558	6.2-42.0	17.1	5.4	225	6.9-86.1	35.6	12.1	209	27.1-157.9		
	Condition	140	0.5-1.2	0.9	0.1	558	0.6-2.0	0.9	0.1	225	0.5-1.2	1.0	0.1	209	0.9-1.2	1.0	0.1
	Condition	1.0	5.5 1.2	0.7	0.1	223	3.0 2.0	0.7	0.1		5.5 1.2	1.0	0.1	20)	5.7 1.2	1.0	0.1

Table 9.—Length (mm fork), weight (g), and condition [(weight/length³)*(10⁵)] of juvenile chum salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. NS denotes no sampling.

		June				July				August				September			
Locality	Factor	n	range	χ	sd	n	range	χ	sd	n	range	x	sd	n	range	x	sd
Upper Chatham Strait	Length Weight Condition	87 87 87	70-117 2.8-15.8 0.7-1.0	95.0 8.4 0.9	9.4 2.6 0.1	535 195 195	88-171 6.6-48.3 0.7-1.3	120.6 17.4 0.9	12.1 5.8 0.1	13 11 11	135-197 23.8-74.4 0.9-1.2	166.9 48.1 1.0	18.4 16.8 0.1	37 37 37	178-240 56.6-159.0 1.0-1.2		15.6 25.5 0.1
Icy Strait	Length Weight Condition	378 289 289	63-121 2.2-15.3 0.3-1.8	95.9 8.4 0.9	9.6 2.6 0.1	730 354 354	82-171 4.8-53.9 0.7-1.5	124.1 19.1 0.9	12.2 5.6 0.1	115 106 106	93-194 7.0-81.5 0.8-1.1	142.1 30.5 0.9	17.4 12.5 0.1	68 31 31	143-232 24.5-136.0 0.3-3.5		
Icy Point	Length Weight Condition	10 10 10	95-136 6.7-24.0 0.8-1.0	112.4 13.3 0.9	14.3 6.4 0.1	87 87 87	100-145 7.8-30.2 0.5-1.1	123.2 17.6 0.9	10.4 4.8 0.1	NS NS NS				NS NS NS			
Total	Length Weight Condition	475 386 386	63-136 2.2-24.0 0.3-1.8	96.1 8.5 0.9	10.0 2.8 0.1	1352 636 636	82-171 4.8-53.9 0.5-1.5	122.7 18.4 0.9	12.2 5.6 0.1	128 117 117	93-197 7.0-81.5 0.8-1.2	144.6 32.1 1.0	19.0 13.9 0.1	105 68 68	143-240 24.5-159.0 0.3-3.5		

Table 10.—Length (mm fork), weight (g), and condition [(weight/length³)*(10⁵)] of juvenile sockeye salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001.NS denotes no sampling.

		June				July			August				September				
Locality	Factor	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	n	range	 x	sd
Upper Chatham Strait	Length Weight Condition	19 19 19	3.4-45.3	116.7 18.4 1.0	11.1	41 41 41	82-163 5.7-47.1 0.1-3.1	121.4 20.2 1.1	18.4 9.6 0.5		155-205 15.6-93.1 0.3-1.2	174.2 52.4 0.9	18.8 27.9 0.3		137-252 25.0-158.8 0.9-1.2		24.3 28.4 0.1
Icy Strait	Length Weight Condition	121 116 116	4.8-57.5	119.2 18.6 1.0	11.2	115 81 81	82-182 5.7-62.1 0.8-1.2	125.8 21.1 1.0	18.9 10.7 0.1	13 13 13	7.7-48.6	136.9 29.3 1.1	19.2 12.3 0.1	65 28 28	111-234 22.7-107.8 0.7-1.1		20.8
Icy Point	Length Weight Condition	9	107-119 11.2-14.6 0.8-1.0		4.6 1.3 0.0	7 7 7	103-192 8.7-73.2 0.8-1.1		24.9	NS NS NS				NS NS NS			
Total	Length Weight Condition	149 144 144	3.4-57.5	118.6 18.2 1.0	10.9	163 129 129	82-192 5.7-73.2 0.1-3.1	126.2 22.1 1.0	20.6 12.7 0.3	18 18 18	7.7-93.1	147.3 35.7 1.0	25.2 20.1 0.2	129 92 2 92	111-252 22.7-158.8 0.7-1.2		27.0

Table 11.—Length (mm fork), weight (g), and condition [(weight/length³)*(10⁵)] of juvenile coho salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. NS denotes no sampling.

			June			July			August				September				
Locality	Factor	n	range	x	sd	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	į	n range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd
II	T 41-	26	126 201	1.60.4	16.4	114	122 240	100.2	22.6	1.4	202 200	220.4	20.0	1.1	220 204	262.6	140
Upper Chatham	Length	36	126-201 22.1-93.5			114 68	133-240 35.3-172.1	180.3 78.6		14 14	203-298 91.1-360.4	238.4 167.2	30.8 76.2	11	230-284 173.1-269.		14.8 31.1
Strait	Weight Condition	35 35		1.1	0.1	68	0.5-1.3	1.1	0.1	14	1.0-1.4	1.2	0.1	9	1.1-1.3	1.2	
Suan	Condition	33	1.0-1.3	1.1	0.1	00	0.5-1.5	1.1	0.1	14	1.0-1.4	1.2	0.1	9	1.1-1.3	1.2	0.0
Icy	Length	232	104-236	164.1	21.0	243	137-258	193.6	22.4	18	192.274	218.1	20.2	8	226-270	252.0	15.2
Strait	Weight	163	11.1-143.3	50.6	19.9	143	28.6-194.7	86.1	33.1	13	77.4-165.8	114.5	26.5	3	161.1-231.	1 195.2	35.0
	Condition	163	0.8-1.3	1.1	0.1	143	0.9-1.4	1.1	0.1	13	1.0-1.3	1.2	0.1	3	1.1-1.2	1.1	0.0
Icy	Length					6	201-237	219.3	15.2	NS				NS			
Point	Weight					6	90.4-165.9	128.1	30.8	NS				NS			
	Condition	_				6	1.1-1.3	1.2	0.1	NS				NS			
Total	Length	268	104-236	163.9		363	133-258	189.8		32	192-298	227.0	27.0	19	226-284		
	Weight	198	11.1-143.3	3 50.4	19.3	217	28.6-194.7	84.9		27	77.4-360.4		62.8	12	161.1-269.		
	Condition	198	0.8-1.3	1.1	0.1	217	0.5-1.4	1.1	0.1	27	1.0-1.4	1.2	0.1	12	1.1-1.3	1.2	0.0

Table 12.—Length (mm fork), weight (g), and condition [(weight/length³)*(10⁵)] of juvenile chinook salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. NS denotes no sampling.

		June	July	August	September
Locality	Factor	<i>n</i> range \bar{x} sd	<i>n</i> range \bar{x} sd	<i>n</i> range \bar{x} sd	<i>n</i> range \bar{x} sd
Upper Chatham Strait	Length Weight Condition	6 121-247 191.3 41.1 6 20.1-202.2 96.4 59.6 6 1.1-1.3 1.2 0.1	13 163-241 216.0 20.7 13 51.9-198.9 140.9 37.7 13 1.2-1.5 1.4 0.1	6 207-269 232.8 21.6 6 118.1-267.8 168.2 54.3 6 1.2-1.4 1.3 0.1	16 197-313 260.9 28.5 15 103.5-389.4 246.9 76.6 15 1.2-1.5 1.3 0.1
Icy Strait	Length Weight Condition	8 185-281 209.3 31.8 8 70.5-282.3124.4 69.0 8 1.1-1.4 1.3 0.1	11 153-232 215.0 21.8 11 44.0-175.0 135.1 36.5 11 1.1-1.4 1.3 0.1	9 225-302 254.1 21.4 7 192.5-375.6 244.2 61.0 7 1.3-1.5 1.4 0.1	26 186-286 251.7 23.7 6 73.5-306.6 221.9 89.7 6 1.1-1.5 1.3 0.1
Icy Point	Length Weight Condition			NS NS NS	NS NS NS
Total	Length Weight Condition	14 121-281 201.6 35.8 14 20.1-282.3112.4 64.3 14 1.1-1.4 1.2 0.1	24 153-241 215.5 20.7 24 44.0-198.9 138.3 36.5 24 1.1-1.5 1.3 0.1	15 207-302 245.6 23.3 13 118.1-375.6 209.1 68.2 13 1.2-1.5 1.3 0.1	42 186-313 255.2 25.7 21 73.5-389.4 239.7 79.1 21 1.1-1.5 1.3 0.1

	1.			Release information	1			Re	ecovery in	formation					
Species	Coded-wire tag code	Brood year	Agency*	Locality	Date	Si:		Locality (stati	on code)	Date	Size (mm)		Age	since	Distance traveled (km)
						Ju	ne								
Chinook Chinook Chinook	04:48/19 04:48/19 04:01/62	1999 1999 1998		Kasnyku Bay, AK Kasnyku Bay, AK Fish Creek, AK	06/05/01 06/05/01 06/09/00	_ _ _	40.5 40.5 26.1	Icy Strait Icy Strait Chatham Strait	(ISD) (ISC) (UCC)	06/28/01 06/30/01 07/01/01	201 186 325	105.5 79.0 660.0	1.0	23 25 387	135 130 55
Coho Coho Coho Coho Coho Coho	04:01/04/04/02 04:46/27 04:46/59 04:03/96 04:50/06 04:04/54 04:04/56	1998 1999 1998 1999 1998 1999	ADFG ADFG ADFG ADFG BURR ADFG ADFG	Berners River, AK Berners River, AK Berners River, AK Chilkat River, AK Burro Creek, AK Taku River, AK Taku River, AK	05/15/01 05/15/01 05/15/01 05/03/01 06/13/00 04/25/00 05/25/00	86 110 85		Icy Strait Icy Strait Icy Strait Icy Strait Icy Strait Icy Strait Chatham Strait Chatham Strait	(ISC) (ISC) (ISC) (ISC) (ISB) (UCD) (UCD)	06/28/01 06/29/01 06/30/01 06/30/01 07/01/01 07/01/01	161 172 181 151 185 181 153	49.5 59.3 68.9 38.1 73.0 67.9 39.9	1.0 1.0 1.0 3.0* 2.0*	44 45 46 58 * 383 * 432 * 402	105 105 105 105 170 130
						Ju	ly								
Chinook Chinook Chinook Chinook Chinook	04:48/19 04:48/19 50:04/57 04:38/63 04:28/18 No tag	1999 1999 1997 1998 1999	NSRAA DIPAC NSRAA	Hidden Falls, AK Hidden Falls, AK Gastineau Channel, AK Kasnyku Bay, AK Bear Cove, AK	06/05/01 06/05/01 06/07/99 05/24/00 05/21/01	_ _ _ _	40.5 40.5 25.3 37.1 36.5	Chatham Strait Chatham Strait Icy Strait Icy Strait Icy Strait Chatham Strait	(UCA) (ISB) (ISC) (ISC)	07/29/01 07/29/01 07/29/01 07/30/01 07/31/01 07/27/01		155.2 198.9 2,600.0 1300.0 166.3 134.8	1.0 1.2 1.1 1.0	54 54 783 432 71	100 100 85 130 175
Coho Coho Coho Coho Coho Coho Coho Coho	04:01/68 04:03/90 04:03/90 04:03/90 04:03/91 04:03/91 04:03/91 04:03/91 04:03/92 04:03/92 04:40/21	1999 1999 1999 1999 1999 1999 1999 199	ADFG DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC DIPAC ADFG ADFG	Auke Creek, AK Gastineau Channel, AK Sheep Creek, AK Sheep Creek, AK Berners River, AK Berners River, AK	06/01//01 06/14/01 06/14/01 06/14/01 06/14/01 06/14/01 06/14/01 06/14/01 06/14/01 05/30/01 05/30/01		13.0 22.4 22.4 22.4 21.8 21.8 21.8 21.8 21.8 15.9	Chatham St. Chatham Strait Chatham Strait Icy Strait Chatham Strait Chatham Strait Chatham Strait Chatham Strait Icy Strait Chatham Strait	(UCD) (ISC) (UCD) (UCD) (UCD) (ISC) (UCC) (UCC) (UCD) (UCC) (UCD)	07/27/01 07/27/01 07/27/01 07/31/01 07/27/01 07/27/01 07/27/01 08/01/01 07/27/01 07/27/01 07/27/01 07/27/01	179 175 194 188 188 173 181 181 194 162 171 175	55.8 55.5 72.7 76.9 78.9 50.7 59.8 63.7 84.6 44.8 30.6 50.3 61.3	1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0	56 43 43 46 43 43 43 46 48 43 43 58 58	50 45 45 85 45 45 45 45 70 70 75 75

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Table 13.—(cont.)

		1		Release information					Recovery in	formation				D D	. ,
Species	Coded-wire	e Brood vear	Agency*	Locality	Date	Si (mm)	ze (g)	Locality (s	station code)	Date		Size a) (g)	Age		istance raveled (km)
1	-		<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			(0)					, (2)			
						Ju	lv								
Coho	04:40/21	1998	ADFG	Berners River, AK	05/30/01	_	<u> </u>	Chatham Str	rait (UCD)	07/27/01	179	43.0	1.0	58	75
Coho	04:03/98	1999	DIPAC	Chilkat River, AK	05/23/01	86	6.2	Icy Strait	(ISA)	07/29/01	195	86.5	1.0	67	170
Coho	04:19/05	1998	NSRAA	Kasnyku Bay, AK	06/02/00		20.5	Icy Strait	(ISC)	07/30/01	163	51.5	2.0*	* 432	130
Coho	50:31/20	1998	DIPAC	Gastineau Channel, AK	06/12/00		21.4	Icy Strait	(ISC)	07/31/01	605	3,450.0	1.1	414	85
Coho	04:03/89	1999	DIPAC	Gastineau Channel, AK	06/14/01	_	20.9	Icy Strait	(ISC)	07/31/01	183	70.6	1.0	47	85
Coho	No tag	_	_	_	_	_	_	Chatham Str	rait (UCB)	08/01/01	528	1,950.0	_	_	_
						Aug	ust								
Coho	04:03/90	1999	DIPAC	Gastineau Channel, AK	06/14/01	_	21.8	Icy Strait	(ISA)	08/29/01	207	94.1	1.0	76	90
						Septe	mber								
Chinook	04:03/93	1999	DIPAC	Gastineau Channel, AK	06/12/01	_	18.3	Icy Strait	(ISB)	09/27/01	238	188.9	1.0	107	85
Chinook	04:03/93	1999	DIPAC	Gastineau Channel, AK	06/12/01	_	18.3	Chatham Str	` '	10/01/01	247	195.9	1.0	111	55
Chinook	04:48/19	1999	NSRAA	Kasnyku Bay, AK	06/05/01	_	40.5	Icy Strait	(ISC)	09/29/01	270	290.0	1.0	116	130
Chinook	04:48/19	1999		Kasnyku Bay, AK	06/05/01		40.5	Icy Strait	(ISC)	09/29/01	264	250.0	1.0	116	130
Chinook	No tag			_				Icy Strait	(ISB)	09/27/01	442	1,260.0			
Chinook	No tag	_	_	_	_	_	_	Icy Strait	(ISD)	09/30/01	268	243.6	_	_	_
Coho	04:03/92	1999	DIPAC	Sheep Creek, AK	06/14/01	_	15.9	Chatham Str	rait (UCB)	10/01/01	230	125.9	1.0	109	5
Coho	04:03/91	1999	DIPAC	Gastineau Channel, AK	06/14/01	_	21.8	Chatham Str		10/01/01	271	213.2	1.0	109	55

^{*}ADFG = Alaska Department of Fish and Game; BURR = Burro Creek; DIPAC = Douglas Island Pink and Chum; NSRA = Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association.

^{**}Based on the size of capture, these fish probably spent an extra winter in freshwater rather than migrating to sea; therefore the days since release include a substantial amount of time in freshwater and are not indicative of the actual number of days at sea.

Table 14.—Stock-specific information on juvenile chum salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. NS denotes no sampling. Numbers (*n*), ranges, means, and standard deviations (sd) are shown for fork length (mm), weight (g) and Fulton's condition factor (g/FL³*10⁵).

			Jun	ie			Jul	y			Aug	gust			Septe	ember	
Locality	y Factor	n	range	Ā	sd	\overline{n}	range	Ā	sd	n	range	x	sd	n	range	Χ̄	sd
DIPAC																	
Upper	Length	50	71-113	96.6	8.5	9	108-142	127.2	10.6	_	_	_	_		_		_
	n Weight	50	2.8-14.9	8.7	2.4	9	12.8-28.4	20.6	4.9	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Strait	Condition	50	0.7-1.0	0.9	0.1	9	0.9-1.0	1.0	0.0	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Icy	Length	132	75-119	99.0	8.3	16	114-157	135.1	14.9	4	118-190	144.5	32.0	_	_	_	_
Strait	Weight	132	4.2-15.3	9.2	2.3	16	14.4-37.6	24.6	7.8	4	14.6-72.1	34.1	26.3	_	_	_	_
	Condition	132	0.7-1.8	0.9	0.1	16	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	4	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	_	_	_	_
Icy	Length	_	_		_	4	117-130	121.8	5.7	NS				NS			
Point	Weight	_	_	_	_	4	12.7-21.8	16.5	3.8	NS				NS			
	Condition	_	_	_	—	4	0.8-1.0	0.9	0.1	NS				NS			
Total	l Length	182	71-119	98.3	8.4	29	108-157	130.8	13.5	4	118-190	144.5	32.0	_	_	_	_
	Weight	182	2.8-15.3	9.1	2.3	29	12.7-37.6	22.2	7.0	4	14.6-72.1	34.1	26.3	_	_	_	_
	Condition	182	0.7-1.8	0.9	0.1	29	0.8-1.1	1.0	0.1	4	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	_	_	_	_
Hidden	Falls																
Upper	Length	_	_	_	_	35	101-155	122.7	13.0	_	_	_	_	1	239	239.0	0.0
Chathan	n Weight					35	9.2-32.7	17.9	6.0					1	155.8	155.8	0.0
Strait	Condition	_	_	_	_	35	0.8-1.1	0.9	0.1	_	_	_	_	1	1.1	1.1	0.0
Icy	Length	_	_	_	_	87	104-156	127.0	9.9	6	158-194	172.5	13.4	1	191	191.0	0.0
Strait	Weight	_	_	_	_	87	10.4-33.6	19.4	4.6	6	39.5-81.5	53.6	16.7	1	75.6	75.6	0.0
	Condition	_	_	_		87	0.8-1.5	0.9	0.1	6	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	1	1.1	1.1	0.0

Table 14.—(Cont.)

			Jun	e			Jul	ly			Au	gust			Septe	mber	
Locality	y Factor	n	range	x	sd	n	range	x	sd	n	range	Χ̄	sd	n	range	x	sd
Icy	Length	_	_	_	_	8	115-145	134.0	10.3	NS				NS			
Point	Weight		_		_	8	12.5-30.2	22.8	5.9	NS				NS			
	Condition	_	_	_	_	8	0.8-1.0	0.9	0.1	NS				NS			
Tota	al Length	_	_	_	_	130	1.1-156	126.3	11.1	6	158-194	172.5	13.4	2	191-239	215.0	33.9
	Weight	_	_	_	—	130	9.2-33.6	19.2	5.2	6	39.5-81.5	53.6	16.7	2	75.6-155.8	115.7	56.8
	Condition	_	_	_		130	0.8-1.5	0.9	0.1	6	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	2	1.1	1.1	0.0
Unmarl	ked																
Upper	Length	37	70-117	92.7	10.2	151	91-171	120.4	12.4	11	135-197	165.7	19.2	36	178-240	206.9	14.9
Chathan	n Weight	37	3.2-15.8	8.0	2.8	151	6.6-48.3	17.0	5.8	11	23.8-74.4	48.1	16.8	36	56.6-159.0	95.5	23.8
Strait	Condition	37	0.8-1.0	1.0	0.1	151	0.7-1.3	0.9	0.1	11	0.9-1.2	1.0	0.1	36	1.0-1.2	1.1	0.1
Icy	Length	107	63-117	92.3	10.1	251	85-171	124.3	12.1	96	93-182	140.6	15.8	30	143-232	197.8	18.0
Strait	Weight	107	2.2-14.4	7.4	2.6	251	4.8-53.9	18.6	5.6	96	7.0-62.9	28.9	10.0	30	24.5-136.0	85.2	24.2
	Condition	107	0.3-1.1	0.9	0.1	251	0.7-1.2	0.9	0.1	96	0.8-1.1	1.0	0.1	30	0.3-3.5	1.1	0.5
Icy	Length	10	95-136	112.4	14.2	75	100-144	122.1	10.0	NS				NS			
Point	Weight	10	6.7-24.0	13.3	6.4	75	7.8-28.3	17.1	4.4	NS				NS			
	Condition	10	0.8-1.0	0.9	0.1	75	0.5-1.1	0.9	0.1	NS				NS			
Tota	al Length	154	63-136	93.7	11.5	477	85-171	122.7	12.0	107	93-197	143.1	17.8	66	143-240	202.8	16.9
	Weight	154	2.2-24.0	7.9	3.3	477	4.8-53.9	17.9	5.5	107	7.0-74.4	30.9	12.3	66	24.5-159.0	90.8	24.4
	Condition	154	0.3-1.1	0.9	0.1	477	0.5-1.3	0.9	0.1	107	0.8-1.2	1.0	0.1	66	0.3-3.5	1.1	0.3

Table 15.—Stock-specific information on juvenile sockeye salmon captured in different marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. NS denotes no sampling. Numbers (*n*), ranges, means, and standard deviations (sd) are shown for fork length (mm), weight (g) and Fulton's condition factor (g/FL³*10⁵).

			Jun	e			Ju	ly			Au	gust			Septe	mber	
Locality	Factor	n	range	$\bar{\mathbf{x}}$	sd	\overline{n}	range	Χ̄	sd	n	range	x	sd	n	range	Χ̄	sd
Snettisha	am																
Upper	Length	3	102-118	111.7	8.5	8	95-163	130.6	20.2	_	_	_	_	5	193-236	210.0	17.3
Chatham	Weight	3	11.6-16.2	14.4	2.5	8	19.3-31.8	26.0	5.0	_	_	_	_	5	80.6-152.2	104.4	28.5
Strait	Condition	3	1.0-1.1	1.0	0.1	8	0.7-3.1	1.3	0.7	_	_	—	—	5	1.0-1.2	1.1	0.1
Icy	Length	20	88-140	116.7	11.7	7	131-182	143.1	17.4	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Strait	Weight	20	6.1-27.7	16.5	4.8	7	21.8-62.1	30.3	14.2	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
	Condition	20	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	7	0.9-1.0	1.0	0.0	_	_	—	—	_	_	_	_
Icy	Length	3	109-117	113.7	4.2	_	_	_	_	NS				NS			
Point	Weight	3	12.7-13.4	13.1	0.4	_	_	_	_	NS				NS			
	Condition	3	0.8-1.0	0.9	0.1	_	_	_	_	NS				NS			
Tota	I Length	26	88-140	115.7	10.7	15	95-182	136.5	19.4	_	_	_	_	5	193-236	210.0	17.3
	Weight	26	6.1-27.7	15.8	4.4	15	19.3-62.1	28.0	10.2	_	_	_	_	5	80.6-152.2	104.4	28.5
	Condition	26	0.8-1.1	1.0	0.1	15	0.7-3.1	1.2	0.6	_	_	—	—	5	1.0-1.2	1.1	0.1
Unmark	ed																
Upper	Length	16	70-161	117.6	25.8	33	82-163	119.5	17.6	5	155-205	174.2	18.8	59	137-252	178.4	23.2
Chatham	Weight	16	3.4-45.3	19.1	11.9	33	5.7-47.1	18.8	10.0	5	15.6-93.1	52.4	27.9	59	25.0-158.8	63.2	26.1
Strait	Condition	16	0.9-1.1	1.0	0.1	33	0.1-2.1	1.1	0.4	5	0.3-1.2	0.9	0.3	59	0.9-1.2	1.1	0.1
Icy	Length	96	79-179	119.2	23.9	74	82-175	123.5	18.4	13	95-165	136.9	19.2	28	131-216	170.4	21.5
Strait	Weight	96	4.8-57.5	19.0	12.1	74	5.7-59.5	20.2	10.0	13	7.7-48.6	29.3	12.3	28	22.7-107.8	51.9	20.8
	Condition	96	0.8-1.2	1.0	0.1	74	0.8-1.2	1.0	0.1	13	0.9-1.2	1.1	0.1	28	0.7-1.1	1.0	0.1

<u>Table 15.—(Cont.)</u>

_	<i>n</i> 6	range 107-119	<u>x</u>	sd	n	range	x	sd	\overline{n}	range	x	sd	\overline{n}	range	x	sd
	_	107-119	1133											8*		
	_		113.3	5.1	7	103-192	159.3	32.2	NS				NS			
	6	11.2-14.6	12.9	1.6	7	8.7-73.2	45.5	24.9	NS				NS			
	6	0.9	0.9	0.0	7	0.8-1.1	1.0	0.1	NS				NS			
	118	70-179	118.7	23.5	114	82-192	124.5	21.1	18	95-205	147.3	25.2	87	131-252	175.8	22.9
	118	3.4-57.5	18.7	11.8	114	5.7-73.2	21.3	12.8	18	7.7-93.1	35.7	20.1	87	22.7-158.8	59.6	25.0
	118	0.8-1.2	1.0	0.1	114	0.1-2.1	1.0	0.2	18	0.3-1.2	1.0	0.2	87	0.7-1.2	1.0	0.1
	1	118 118 118	118 3.4-57.5	118 3.4-57.5 18.7	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18 7.7-93.1	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18 7.7-93.1 35.7	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18 7.7-93.1 35.7 20.1	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18 7.7-93.1 35.7 20.1 87	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18 7.7-93.1 35.7 20.1 87 22.7-158.8	118 3.4-57.5 18.7 11.8 114 5.7-73.2 21.3 12.8 18 7.7-93.1 35.7 20.1 87 22.7-158.8 59.6

Table 16.--Number of potential predators of juvenile salmon examined from rope trawl collections, number of empty stomachs, percentage of predator stomachs that contained food, and number and percentage of feeding fish that ate juvenile salmon, May-August 2001.

Predator species	Life history stage	Number examined	Number empty	Percent feeding	Number with salmon	Percent feeders w/ salmon
		Preda	tion on juv	enile salm	on	
Pomfret	A	12	0	100	1	8
Coho salmon	A	16	2	88	2	14
Spiny dogfish	A	15	4	73	3	27
		No pred	lation on j	uvenile sal	mon	
Walleye pollock	J-A	78	13	83	0	0
Pink salmon	A	53	13	76	0	0
Chinook salmon	I	46	2	96	0	0
Chum salmon	A	5	1	80	0	0
Sablefish	A	5	1	80	0	0
Sockeye salmon	A	4	1	75	0	0
Black rockfish	A	1	1	0	0	0
Total		235	38		6	

J=juvenile, I=immature; A=adult of spawning age.

Appendix 1.—Catches and life history stage of salmonids captured in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. Nocturnal sampling was conducted at 2200 and 0400 hours at the ISC station for Haul#s: 5027, 5034, 5053, 5060, 5077, 5087, 5102, and 5110.

					Juvenile			Immature		Adult	
Date	Haul#	Station	Pink	Chum	Sockeye	Coho	Chinook	Chinook	Pink	Chum	Coho
26 June	5015	UCD	1	_	_	5	2	_	_	_	_
26 June	5016	UCC	25	22	3	—	2	_			
26 June	5017	UCB		6	2	1		_		_	_
26 June	5018	UCA	4		2	13		_			_
27 June	5019	IPD	_	_	_	_		_		_	_
27 June	5020	IPC	_		_	_		-		1	
27 June	5021	IPB	_	1	_	_		-			
27 June	5022	IPA	_	9	9	_		1	2		
28 June	5023	ISD	7	23	2	7	1	-			
28 June	5024	ISC	19	34	4	6		_			
28 June	5025	ISB	21	41	2	8	1	1	1		
28 June	5026	ISA		29	1	2	1	1			1
29 June	5027	ISC	1	7	7	28		-			
29 June	5028	ISC	9	81	9	31		1			
29 June	5029	ISC		16		3		_			
29 June	5030	ISC	13	23	2	5		_	1		1
30 June	5031	ISC		8	5	21	2	2	1		
30 June	5032	ISC		9	10	29	1	2			
30 June	5033	ISC	1	41	39	20	1	3			
30 June	5034	ISC		5	10	15		3			
01 July	5035	ISA		29	5	21					
01 July	5036	ISB		30	22	17					
01 July	5037	ISD		10	3	29	1				1
01 July	5038	UCC	63	60	10	5	2	1			_
01 July	5039	UCD			2	12		2			_

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	`	•			Juvenile			Immature		Adult	
Date	Haul#	Station	Pink	Chum	Sockeye	Coho	Chinook	Chinook	Pink	Chum	Coho
27 July	5041	UCD	136	119	26	78	4	2	_	_	_
27 July	5042	UCC	215	154	6	12		1	1		
27 July	5043	UCB	244	252	4	4		_	1	_	_
28 July	5045	IPD		_	_			_	_		_
28 July	5046	IPC	14	15	_	_		_	_		_
28 July	5047	IPB	21	50	6	3		_	1		_
28 July	5048	IPA	48	22	2	3		_	1		_
29 July	5044	UCA	_	3	_	1	7	_	_		_
29 July	5049	ISA	24	72	8	15		_	2		_
29 July	5050	ISB	14	15	2	17		1	2		_
29 July	5051	ISC	36	80	5	12		_	13		_
29 July	5052	ISD	10	6	5	16		1	4		2
30 July	5053	ISC	_	_	_	12	2	3	_		_
30 July	5054	ISC	5	42	2	29	2	_	_		_
30 July	5055	ISC	75	61	1	15		_			
30 July	5056	ISC	8	9	1	47		_	1		
30 July	5999	ISC	209	182	16	25		_	1		_
31 July	5057	ISC	5	4	2	16	1	_	4		_
31 July	5058	ISC	118	124	33	7		_			
31 July	5059	ISC	4	19	8	20	4	1	_		1
31 July	5060	ISC	_	_	_	3	1	5	11		_
31 July	5061	ISD	63	45	4	5	1	_	1		
31 July	5062	ISB	110	72	30	8		_			
31 July	5063	ISA						_			
01 August	5064	UCA	5	1		4		_	2		1
01 August	5065	UCB	_	_	1	5	1	_	3		1
01 August	5066	UCC		_	2	6	1	1	2		

		,			Juvenile			Immature		Adult	
Date	Haul#	Station	Pink	Chum	Sockeye	Coho	Chinook	Chinook	Pink	Chum	Coho
01 August	5067	UCD	23	7	2	4	_	_		_	_
26 August	5069	UCD	3	_	_		3	_		_	
26 August	5070	UCC	42	2	2	2	2	_		_	
26 August	5071	UCB	1	1	_	4		_	1	_	1
26 August	5072	UCA	1	_	_	_		2	1	_	1
27 August	5073	ISA	2	1	_	3		_		_	
27 August	5074	ISB	17	17	_	1		_		_	
27 August	5075	ISC	9	4	1	1	2	_		_	
27 August	5076	ISD	23	23	2	1		1		_	
28 August	5077	ISC		_	_	_		2	1	_	
28 August	5078	ISC	2	1	_	_		_		_	
28 August	5079	ISC	_	2	_	_		_	_	_	_
28 August	5080	ISC	1	14	_	1	1	_		_	1
29 August	5081	ISA	2	1	_	4	_		_	_	
29 August	5082	ISB	2	_	_	1	1	_		_	
29 August	5083	ISD	24	13	1	1	2		_	_	
30 August	5084	ISC	4	_	_			_		_	
30 August	5085	ISC	14	4	1		1	_		_	1
30 August	5086	ISC	87	26	5	2	2	_		_	
30 August	5087	ISC	63	3	3	1		2		2	
31 August	5088	UCA	1	1	_	8	_	1	_	_	3
31 August	5089	UCB	_	2	1	_	1	2	_	_	1
31 August	5090	UCC	11	4	1			_		_	
31 August	5091	UCD	5	3	1		_	_	_	_	_
31 August	5092	ISD	24	6	_	2	_	_	_	_	_
26 Septemb	er 5094	UCD	2	1	2		1	_			_
26 Septemb	er 5095	UCC	1	_	2			_			

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		_			Juvenile			Immature		Adult	
Date	Haul#	Station	Pink	Chum	Sockeye	Coho	Chinook	Chinook	Pink	Chum	Coho
26 September	5096	UCB	1	_	_			_			_
26 September	5097	UCA	6		1	1		_			
27 September	5098	ISA	12	1	1	2	3	_			
27 September	5099	ISB	4	1	4	1	1	1			
27 September	5100	ISC	4	1	3						
27 September	5101	ISD	4	2	6			_			
28 September	5102	ISC	6		2	1	1	_			
28 September	5103	ISC	9	1	4		8	_			
28 September	5104	ISC	24	3	3		1	_			
28 September	5105	ISC	3	2	1		1	_			
28 September	5106	ISD	4	2	2		1	_			
29 September	5107	ISC		6	1			_			
29 September	5108	ISC		1	_		1	_			
29 September	5109	ISC	38	4	2		2	2			
29 September	5110	ISC	79	6	9	1	3				
29 September	5111	ISA	28	2	_			_			
29 September	5112	ISB			2			_			
30 September	5113	ISD	19	5	5		1				
30 September	5114	ISC	16	4	6			_			
30 September	5115	ISD	32	4	4		2	_			_
30 September	5116	ISC	77	23	10	3	1	_			_
01 October	5117	UCA	70	18	20	4	8	_			_
01 October	5118	UCB	200	18	37	5	7	_			_
01 October	5119	UCC	5	_	2			1	_		_
01 October	5120	UCD			_	1	_	_			1

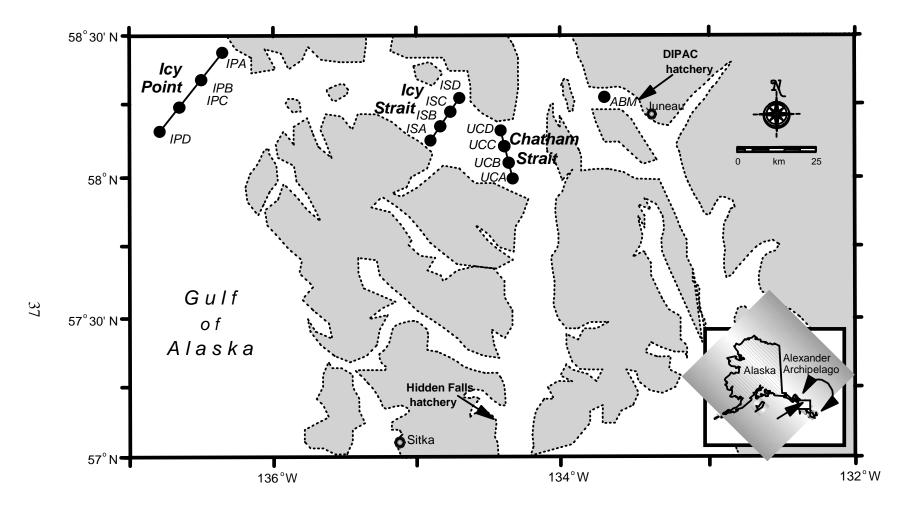


Figure 1.—Stations sampled monthly in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May–September 2001. Small arrows indicate two major enhancement facilities: DIPAC (Douglas Island Pink and Chum) hatchery and Hidden Falls hatchery.

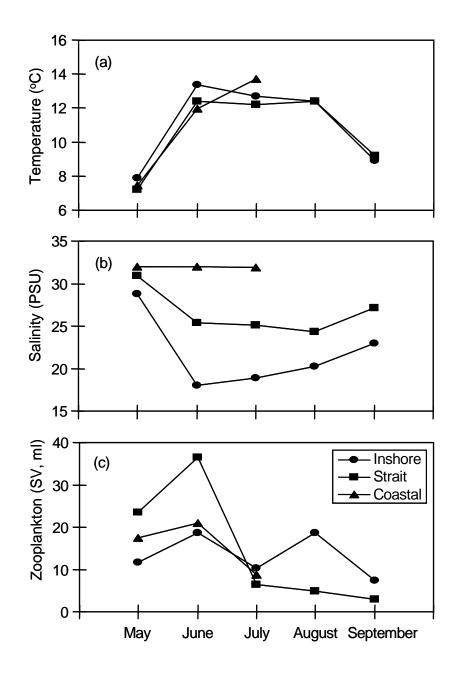


Figure 2.—Surface (2-m) temperature (a) and salinity (b) and 20-m zooplankton volume (c) in inshore, strait, and coastal marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May–September 2001. Zooplankton volumetric density (ml/m³) can be computed by dividing by a factor of 3.9.

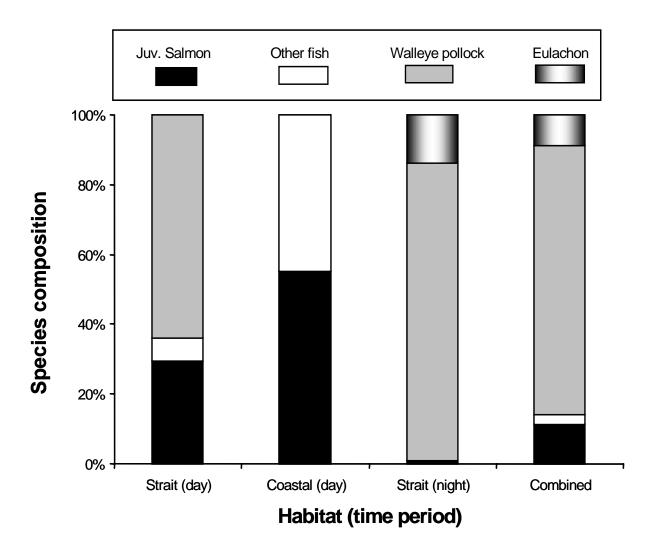


Figure 3.—Fish composition from rope trawl catches in strait and coastal marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June—September 2001. The four different compositions represent fish sampled in the strait habitat during day, the coastal habitat during day, the strait habitat at night, and both habitats and time periods combined.

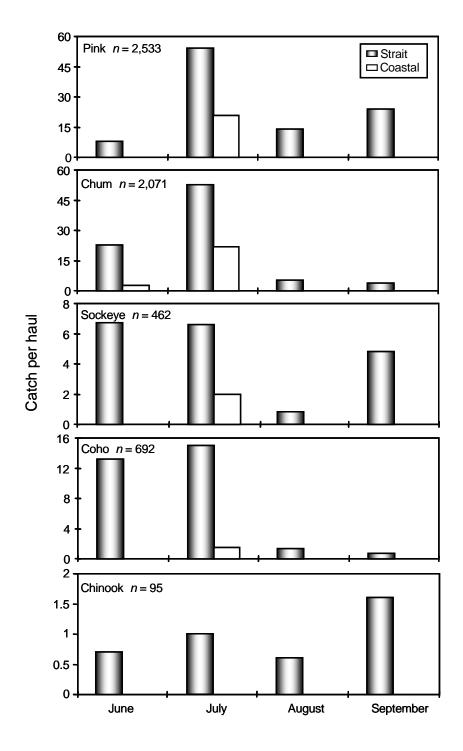


Figure 4.—Catch per rope trawl haul of juvenile salmon in strait (June–September) and coastal (June–July) marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, 2001. No sampling was done in the coastal habitat in August and September.

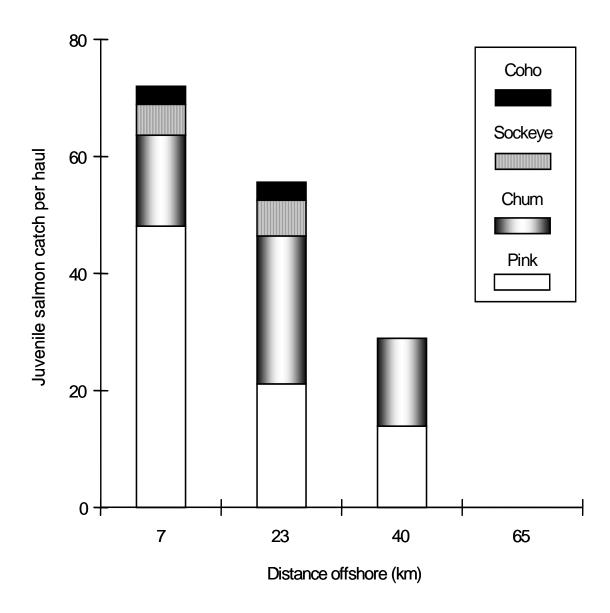


Figure 5.—Mean number of juvenile salmon captured per 8 rope trawl hauls in coastal habitat (Icy Point transect) of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June and July, 2001. Four hauls were fished each month, for each distance offshore.

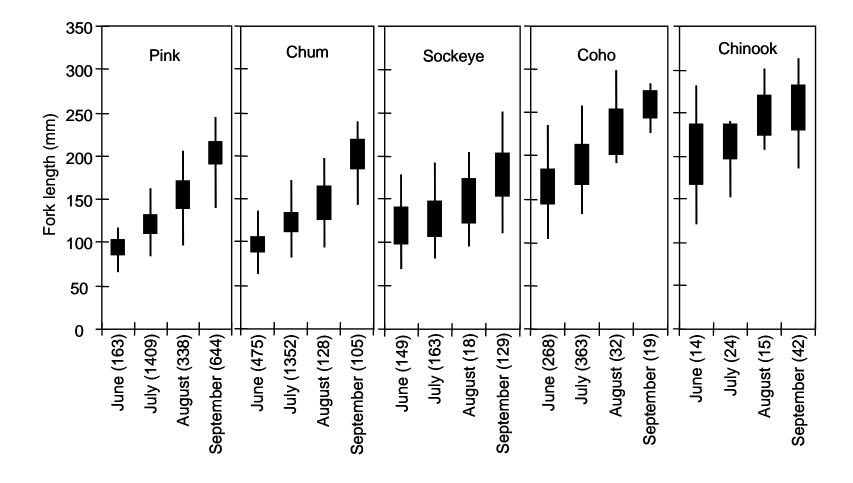


Figure 6.—Fork lengths of juvenile salmon captured in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. Length of vertical bars is the size range for each sample, and the boxes within the size range are one standard error on either side of the mean. Sample sizes are shown in parentheses.

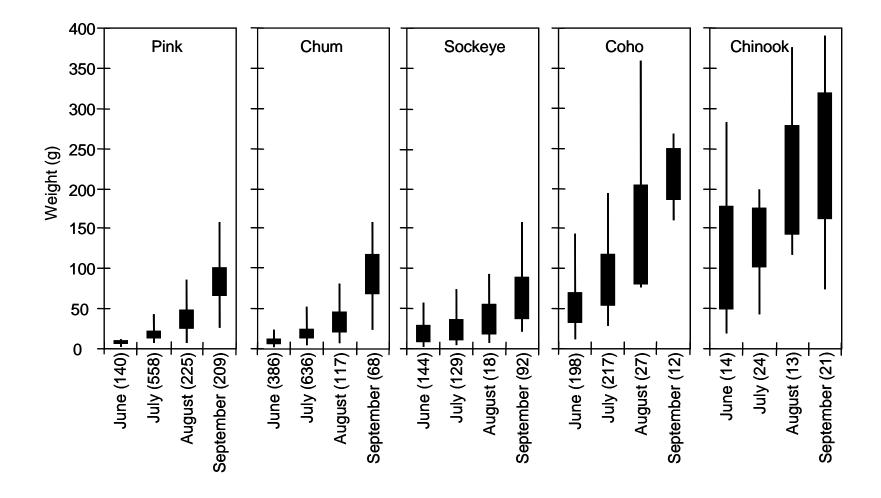


Figure 7.—Weights of juvenile salmon captured in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl,
June–September 2001. Length of vertical bars is the size range for each sample, and the boxes within the size range are one standard error on either side of the mean. Sample sizes are shown in parentheses.

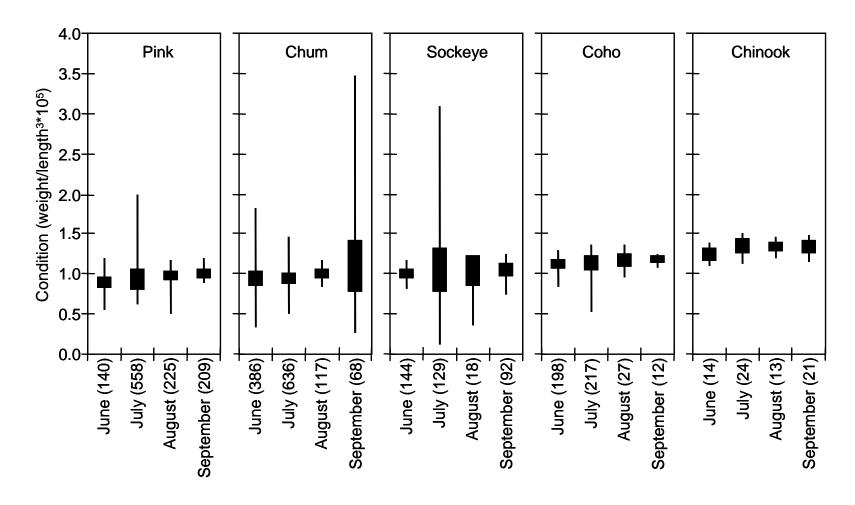


Figure 8.—Condition factors of juvenile salmon captured in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. Length of vertical bars is the size range for each sample, and the boxes within the size range are one standard error on either side of the mean. Sample sizes are shown in parentheses.

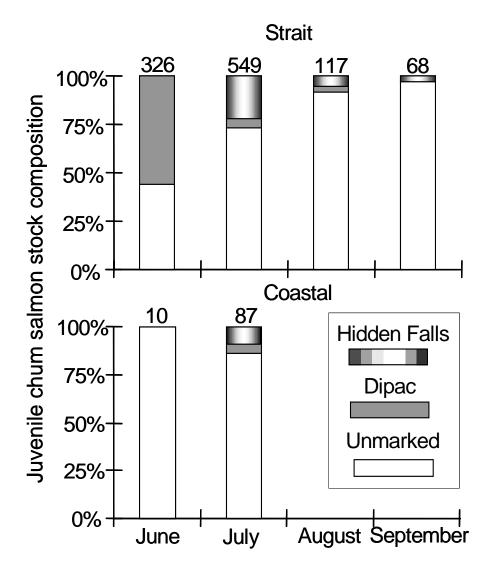


Figure 9.—Monthly stock composition of juvenile chum salmon based on otolith thermal marks in strait and coastal marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June–September 2001. Number of salmon sampled per month and habitat is indicated above each bar.

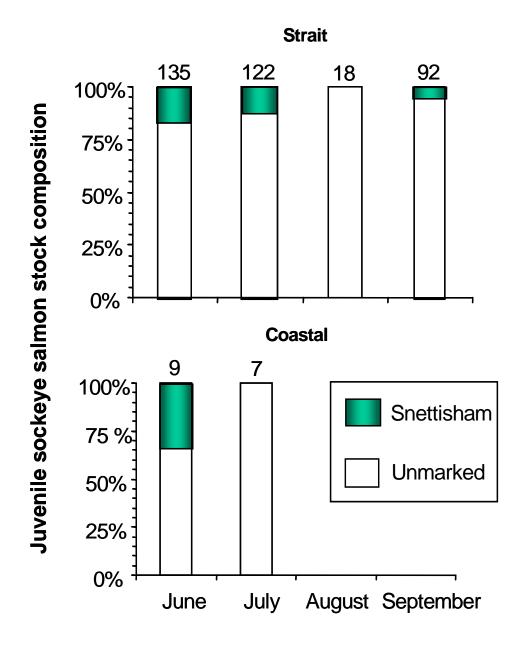


Figure 10.—Seasonal stock composition of sockeye salmon based on otolith thermal marks in strait and coastal marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska,

June–September 2001. Number of salmon sampled per month and habitat is indicated above each bar.

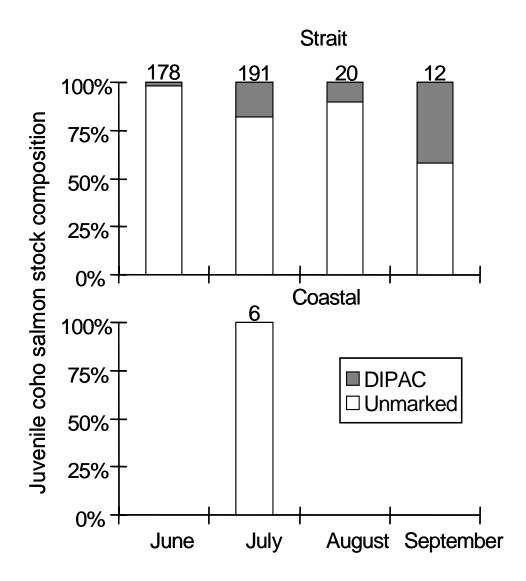


Figure 11.—Seasonal stock composition of coho salmon based on otolith thermal marks in strait and coastal marine habitats of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June–September 2001. Number of salmon sampled per month and habitat is indicated above each bar.

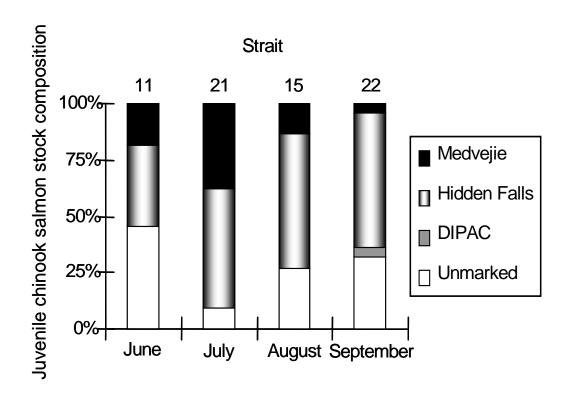


Figure 12.—Seasonal stock composition of chinook salmon based on otolith thermal marks in the strait marine habitat of the northern region of southeastern Alaska, June–September 2001. Number of salmon sampled per month is indicated above each bar.

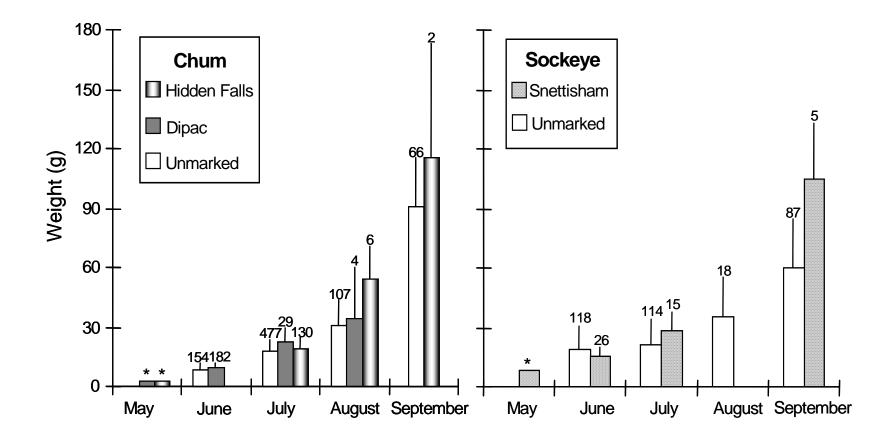


Figure 13.—Stock-specific growth trajectories of juvenile chum and sockeye salmon captured in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. Size of marked fish at the time of hatchery release are indicated by an asterisk above the bars in May. The sample sizes and the standard deviations are indicated above each bar.

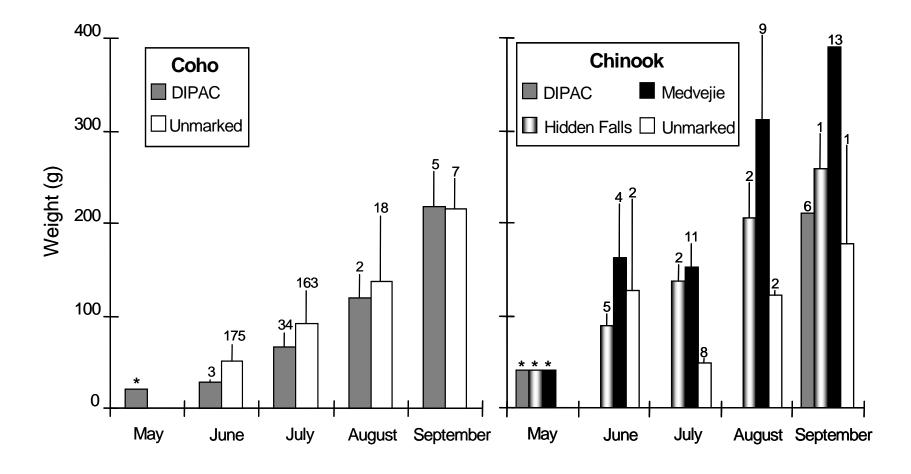


Figure 14.—Stock-specific growth trajectories of juvenile coho and chinook salmon captured in marine waters of the northern region of southeastern Alaska by rope trawl, June–September 2001. Size of marked fish at the time of hatchery release are indicated y an asterisk above the bars in May. The sample sizes and the standard deviations are indicated above each bar.

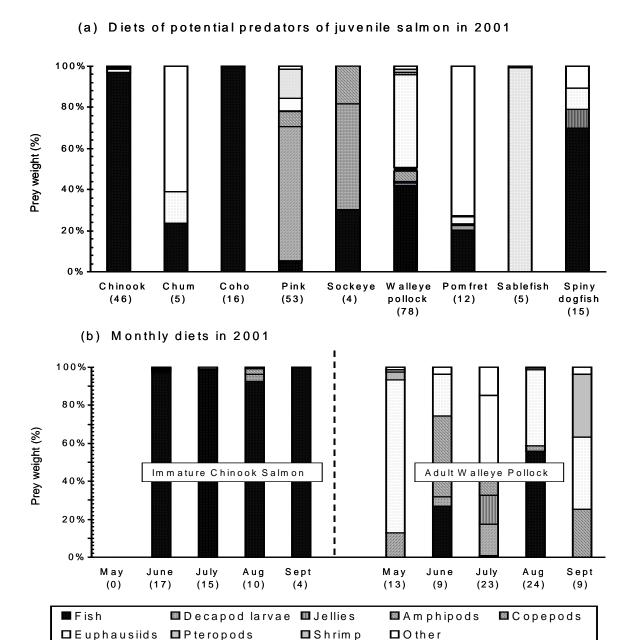


Figure 15.—(a) Prey composition of fish species caught in surface trawl hauls in all habitats and sampling intervals combined for the northern region of southeastern Alaska, May-September 2001. All species except chinook salmon (immature) were adults. See also Table 16 for rates of predation on juvenile salmon. (b) Monthly prey composition for two common species. Jellies refers to ctenophores, cnidarians, salps and oikopleurans. Other is miscellaneous unidentified material or taxa that occurred in small proportions. The numbers of fish examined are shown in parentheses.