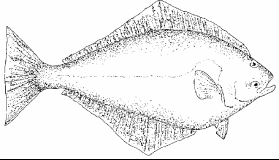
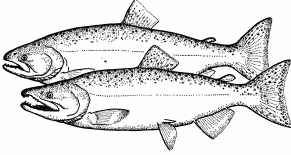
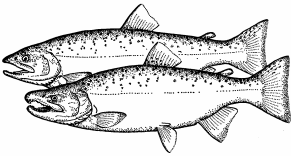
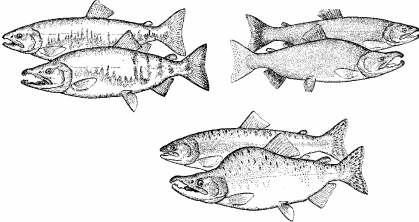
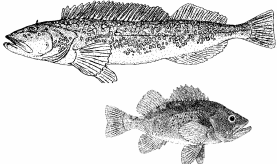


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Popular Alaska Saltwater Sport Fish

<i>Pacific Halibut</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available throughout the season • Average weight is approximately 25 pounds (single fish weights vary from 10 to over 100 pounds) • 2006 daily catch limit was 2 per day
<i>King Salmon (Chinook)</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available throughout the season • Average weight is approximately 25 pounds (range of 15 to over 50 pounds) • 2006 daily catch limit was 1 to 3; in some areas, the daily limit was 2 for Alaska residents and 1 for non-residents
<i>Silver Salmon (Coho)</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available in June through September • Average weight is approximately 11 pounds (ranges from 7 to over 15 pounds) • 2006 daily catch limit for all non-King salmon was a combined total of 5 to 10; in some areas only 3 may be Silver salmon
<i>Other Salmon</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Red (Sockeye), Pink (Humpy), and Chum (Dog) salmon are available at different times throughout the summer months • They are sometimes caught, but are rarely targeted by sport anglers in SALTWATER off Alaska • 2006 daily catch limit for all non-King salmon was a combined total of 5 to 10 in most areas
<i>Other Species</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes lingcod and rockfish • 2006 daily catch limit for lingcod was 1 to 2 in most areas • 2006 daily catch limit for rockfish was 5 to 10 in most areas

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Your 2006 Sport Fishing Activities in Alaska

The questions in this survey are about you and your fishing activities and opinions. Except when asked, please do not include any information about others who fish or travel with you. Please use the included maps, Map A (Southeast Alaska) and Map B (Southcentral Alaska), when needed.

In this survey:

- **Freshwater fishing** is any sport (recreational) fishing in rivers, lakes, and streams.
- **Saltwater fishing** is any sport (recreational) fishing in the ocean or bays but does not include salmon caught in rivers or in tidal saltwater at the mouth of a river.
- A **fishing trip** is any trip that includes recreational fishing. This includes travel to the location where you fished. Many anglers fish for more than one day on fishing trips.
- **Do not include** any subsistence or personal use fishing (e.g., dipnetting) you may have done.

A1 Did you take any sport (recreational) fishing trips in Alaska before 2006?

Circle the number of your response.

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

A2 During 2006, how many total freshwater and saltwater fishing days did you sport fish in Alaska? Count partial days as full days.

_____ freshwater fishing days

_____ saltwater fishing days

A3 During 2006, in which areas of Alaska (Southeast Alaska, Southcentral Alaska, or other areas in Alaska) did you fish on your freshwater or saltwater fishing trips?

Circle all that apply.

- 1 Southeast Alaska – see **Map A**
- 2 Southcentral Alaska – see **Map B**
- 3 Other areas in Alaska – *any area in Alaska not shown in Map A or Map B*
(e.g., Fairbanks)

A4 In 2006, did you take any saltwater fishing trips for halibut, salmon, lingcod, or rockfish in Alaska? Circle your response and follow the directions.

- 1 Yes → **CONTINUE TO NEXT PAGE**
- 2 No → **SKIP TO PAGE 8**

Your Alaska Saltwater Sport Fishing in 2006

The questions in this section are only about your Alaska saltwater sport fishing trips during 2006.

B1 During 2006, how many total trips and fishing days did you spend saltwater fishing using a charter (or fishing lodge) service, on a private boat (yours, a friend's, or one you rented), or from shore at each of the following locations? *Count partial days as full days.*

Location you boarded fishing boat or fished from shore	Total TRIPS taken in 2006	Number of DAYS fished in 2006		
		On charter boat	On private boat	From shore
Southeast Alaska (see Map A)				
Glacier Bay				
Haines-Skagway				
Juneau				
Kake				
Ketchikan				
Petersburg				
Prince of Wales				
Sitka				
Wrangell				
Yakutat				
Other location (specify):				
Southcentral Alaska (see Map B)				
Anchor Point				
Alaska Peninsula/Bristol Bay				
Clam Gulch				
Cordova				
Ninilchik/ Deep Creek				
Homer				
Kenai (city)				
Kodiak Island				
Seldovia				
Seward				
Valdez				
Whittier				
Other location (specify):				
Other areas in Alaska (specify):				

B2 What is your best estimate of how many total fish you caught and kept at each location while saltwater fishing during 2006?

Location you boarded fishing boat or fished from shore	Total number of fish you <i>caught and kept</i> in saltwater during 2006					
	Halibut	King salmon	Silver salmon	Other salmon	Lingcod	Rockfish
Southeast Alaska (see Map A)						
Glacier Bay						
Haines-Skagway						
Juneau						
Kake						
Ketchikan						
Petersburg						
Prince of Wales						
Sitka						
Wrangell						
Yakutat						
Other location (specify):						
Southcentral Alaska (see Map B)						
Anchor Point						
Alaska Peninsula/Bristol Bay						
Clam Gulch						
Cordova						
Ninilchik/ Deep Creek						
Homer						
Kenai (city)						
Kodiak Island						
Seldovia						
Seward						
Valdez						
Whittier						
Other location (specify):						
Other areas in Alaska (specify):						

B3 Please choose the response that best describes your Alaska saltwater fishing for, and catch of, each species in 2006. Check one box for each species.

<i>Saltwater species</i>	I did not fish for ▼	I fished for but did not catch ▼	I kept <u>all</u> of my catch ▼	I kept <u>some</u> of my catch ▼	I keep <u>none</u> of my catch ▼
Halibut.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
King salmon.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Silver salmon.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other salmon (red, pink, chum).....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Lingcod.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Rockfish.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

B4 In each region you fished in saltwater during 2006, what types of transportation did you take to get to where you boarded a fishing boat or fished from shore? Check all boxes that apply.

<i>Region</i>	Private/ rental car ▼	Private boat ▼	Bus/ taxi ▼	Train ▼	Float/ charter plane ▼	Airline ▼	Ferry ▼	Cruise ship ▼
Southeast Alaska.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
Southcentral Alaska.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other areas in Alaska....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>

B5 In 2006, did you own or have access to (example: through a friend or family) a boat you could use when you fished in saltwater in Alaska?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Your Most Recent Saltwater Sport Fishing Trip in Alaska

The questions in this section are only about your most recent Alaska saltwatersport fishing trip.

C1 Where did you fish from on this saltwater fishing trip? For only the site(s) you visited on this trip, indicate the number of days you saltwater fished from a charter boat, a private boat, or from shore.

Location you boarded fishing boat or fished from shore	Number of days fished		
	On charter boat	On private boat	From shore
Southeast Alaska (see Map A)			
Glacier Bay			
Haines-Skagway			
Juneau			
Kake			
Ketchikan			
Petersburg			
Prince of Wales			
Sitka			
Wrangell			
Yakutat			
Other location (specify):			
Southcentral Alaska (see Map B)			
Anchor Point			
Alaska Peninsula/Bristol Bay			
Clam Gulch			
Cordova			
Ninilchik/ Deep Creek			
Homer			
Kenai (city)			
Kodiak Island			
Seldovia			
Seward			
Valdez			
Whittier			
Other location (specify):			
Other area in Alaska (specify):			

C2 During what month and year did your most recent Alaskan saltwater fishing trip begin?

Month _____ Year _____

C3 How many total days were you away from your home on this trip (include fishing and non-fishing days)? *Count partial days as full days.*

_____ Days

C4 How many people, not including yourself, traveled with you on this trip? *Include all adults and children, even if they did not fish.*

_____ Adults _____ Children under 18

C5 On this trip, what types of transportation did you use to get to where you boarded a fishing boat or fished from shore? *Circle all that apply.*

- 1 Private/rental car
- 2 Bus/taxi
- 3 Train
- 4 Float/charter plane
- 5 Airline
- 6 Private boat
- 7 Ferry
- 8 Cruise ship
- 9 Other (please specify): _____

C6 For each saltwater species, indicate the total number of fish you caught and the number of fish you caught and kept on this trip.

Saltwater species	Total number of fish caught	Number of fish caught and kept
Halibut		
King salmon		
Silver salmon		
Other salmon (red, pink, or chum)		
Lingcod		
Rockfish		

C7 Was saltwater fishing in Alaska the primary purpose of this trip? *Circle your response.*

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

C8 Approximately how much money did you personally spend for yourself and others during this trip? Do not include any costs paid by others. If you didn't spend money on an item, please write "0".

	Type of fishing trip related cost	<u>Your costs</u> for this trip (round to nearest dollar)
	All-inclusive fishing lodge/package costs	\$
Transportation	Automobile/truck/RV fuel	\$
	Automobile/truck/RV rental	\$
	Bus/taxi fees	\$
	Train fare	\$
	Float/charter plane	\$
	Airline airfare	\$
	Cruise ship/ferry	\$
Food and Lodging	Lodging (trailer parks, campgrounds, hotels, etc.)	\$
	Food and drink (restaurant)	\$
	Food and drink (non-restaurant)	\$
Other	Fish/combo license fees (only if bought on trip)	\$
	Guides or charter fees (including tips)	\$
	Fishing boat rental	\$
	Fishing gear, bait (bought or rented for this trip)	\$
	Fish processing, freezing, packing, or shipping fees	\$
	Ice	\$
	Fishing derby entry fees	\$
	Boat fuel, lubricants, and repairs	\$
	Moorage or launch fees for this trip	\$
	Gifts/souvenirs	\$
	Other:	\$

C9 How many people, including yourself, were the trip expenses in C8 for?

_____ Adults _____ Children under 18

Your Alaska Saltwater Sport Fishing Trip Preferences

This section asks about your preferences for Alaska saltwater fishing trips. Even if you have not saltwater fished in Alaska, your responses are needed to understand how people choose fishing trips.

D1 In Alaska, do you prefer saltwater or freshwater fishing? *Circle the best answer.*

- 1 I prefer saltwater fishing
- 2 I prefer freshwater fishing
- 3 I don't have a preference
- 4 I don't know

D2 In Alaska, do you prefer to saltwater fish from a charter boat (or fishing lodge service) or a private boat (yours, a friend's, or one you rented)? *Circle the best answer.*

- 1 I prefer fishing from a charter boat
- 2 I prefer fishing from a private boat
- 3 I don't have a preference
- 4 I don't know

D3 Many things may influence the type of saltwater fishing trip you choose to take. How important are each of the following to you? *Mark the box of your response.*

	Not important at all ▼	A little important ▼	Somewhat important ▼	Very important ▼	Extremely important ▼
Fishing location.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of days fishing	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Type of fishing (charter boat fishing, private boat fishing, or shore fishing).....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Type of fish targeted.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Daily bag or take limit: number of fish you can keep.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of fish you expect to catch.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Size of the fish you expect to catch.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Fishing trip cost.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

Each of the next four questions asks you to choose between 3 things: two saltwater boat fishing trips in Southeast Alaska (Choices A and B) and doing something other than Alaska saltwater fishing (Choice C). The Choice A and B trips may differ from those you have taken, but we would still like to know your opinions about them.

- In each question, the saltwater fishing trips (Choices A and B) are the same except for the differences you see in the table.
- Some trips may target one type of fish, while others might target two types of fish.
- Remember that money you spend on saltwater fishing trips (Choices A or B) is money that could instead be spent on other items and activities if you didn't go saltwater fishing in Alaska.

D4 Consider Choices A, B, and C in the columns of the table. Below the table, indicate which of these three choices you like best and which you like least.

	Choice A	Choice B	Choice C
Charter or Private boat	Charter	Private	Do something other than Alaska saltwater fishing
Number of fishing days	2	2	
Fish targeted	Halibut	Halibut	
<i>Daily bag (take) limit</i> <i>Number of fish you can keep each day</i>	1	3	
<i>Catch per day</i> <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	2	4	
<i>Average size of fish caught</i>	80 lbs.	40 lbs.	
Fish targeted	King salmon	Silver salmon	
<i>Daily bag (take) limit</i> <i>Number of fish you can keep each day</i>	3	6	
<i>Catch per day</i> <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	1	1	
<i>Average size of fish caught</i>	50 lbs.	12 lbs.	
Fishing trip cost per person <i>Includes all fishing trip related costs</i>	\$700	\$1000	

Choice A

Choice B

Choice C

Which do you like **best**?

Check one box----->

Which do you like **least**?

Check one box----->

D5 Now, consider the three choices in this table. Below the table, indicate which of these three choices you like best and which you like least.

	Choice A	Choice B	Choice C
Charter or Private boat	Charter	Private	Do something other than Alaska saltwater fishing
Number of fishing days	2	2	
Fish targeted	Halibut	Halibut	
Daily bag (take) limit <i>Number of fish you can keep each day</i>	1	3	
Catch per day <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	2	4	
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Catch per day <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	1	1	
Average size of fish caught	50 lbs.	12 lbs.	
Fishing trip cost per person <i>Includes all fishing trip related costs</i>	\$700	\$1000	

Choice A

Choice B

Choice C

Which do you like best?

Check one box----->

Which do you like least?

Check one box----->

D6 Again, consider the three choices in the table. Below the table, indicate which of these three choices you like best and which you like least.

	Choice A	Choice B	Choice C
Charter or Private boat	Charter	Private	Do something other than Alaska saltwater fishing
Number of fishing days	2	2	
Fish targeted	Halibut	Halibut	
Daily bag (take) limit <i>Number of fish you can keep each day</i>	1	3	
Catch per day <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	2	4	
Average size of fish caught	80 lbs.	40 lbs.	
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Daily bag (take) limit <i>Number of fish you can keep each day</i>	3	6	
Catch per day <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	1	1	
Average size of fish caught	50 lbs.	12 lbs.	
Fishing trip cost per person <i>Includes all fishing trip related costs</i>	\$700	\$1000	

Choice A

Choice B

Choice C

Which do you like best?

Check one box----->

Which do you like least?

Check one box----->

D7 Consider the three choices in the table. Below the table, indicate which of these three choices you like best and which you like least.

	Choice A	Choice B	Choice C
Charter or Private boat	Charter	Private	Do something other than Alaska saltwater fishing
Number of fishing days	2	2	
Fish targeted	Halibut	Halibut	
Daily bag (take) limit <i>Number of fish you can keep each day</i>	1	3	
Catch per day <i>If your catch is more than the limit, some fish are released</i>	2	4	
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Average size of fish caught	50 lbs.	12 lbs.	
Fishing trip cost per person <i>Includes all fishing trip related costs</i>	\$700	\$1000	

Choice A

Choice B

Choice C

Which do you like best?

Check one box----->

Which do you like least?

Check one box----->

D8 If Choices A and B in D7 above were the only Alaska saltwater fishing trips you could have taken during 2006, how many fishing trips of each type would you have taken?

If none, please write "0".

Number of trips: Choice A _____ Choice B _____

D9 How confident are you in your answers in D4, D5, D6, and D7? *Check the best answer.*

Not at all confident

Slightly confident

Somewhat confident

Very confident

Extremely confident

1

2

3

4

5

About You and Your Household

This information helps us understand how your fishing experiences compare to those of other anglers. Your responses will be kept confidential.

- E1** Are you male or female? 1 Male 2 Female
- E2** In what year were you born? 19_____
- E3** In how many different years have you fished (for all species in all locations)? _____ years
- E4** How many people, including yourself, do you live with in each of the following age groups?
If none for a category please write "0".
- _____ Under 18 _____ 18 to 35 _____ 36 to 60 _____ Over 60
- E5** How many people, including yourself, do you live with that work outside the home?
- _____ Full-time worker _____ Part-time worker
- E6** What is the highest grade or level of school you completed? *Circle number of the best answer.*
- 1 Some high school or less
 - 2 High school diploma or equivalent
 - 3 Some college
 - 4 Two year college degree (AA, AS) or technical school
 - 5 Four year college graduate (BA, BS)
 - 6 Some graduate work but did not receive a graduate degree
 - 7 Graduate degree (MA, MS, MBA, PhD, JD, MD, etc.)
- E7** Are you Hispanic or Latino? *Circle number of the best answer.*
- 1 Yes
 - 2 No
- E8** Which of the following best describes you? *Circle one or more.*
- | | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 1 Asian | 4 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| 2 American Indian or Alaska Native | 5 White |
| 3 Black or African American | |
- E9** What was your household income (before taxes) in 2006? *Circle one number.*
- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Less than \$10,000 | 7 \$60,000 to \$79,999 |
| 2 \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 8 \$80,000 to \$99,999 |
| 3 \$20,000 to \$29,999 | 9 \$100,000 to \$124,999 |
| 4 \$30,000 to \$39,999 | 10 \$125,000 to \$149,999 |
| 5 \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 11 \$150,000 to \$200,000 |
| 6 \$50,000 to \$59,999 | 12 \$200,000 or more |

To better understand your opportunities for sport fishing, please answer these questions.

E10 Which one of the following best describes your employment status? *Circle number of the best answer.*

- 1 Salaried worker
- 2 Wage worker
- 3 Self-employed
- 4 Student
- 5 Homemaker → **SKIP TO NEXT PAGE**
- 6 Retired → **SKIP TO NEXT PAGE**
- 7 Currently unemployed → **SKIP TO NEXT PAGE**
- 8 Disabled and unable to work → **SKIP TO NEXT PAGE**
- 9 Other (*please specify*) _____

E11 In a typical week, about how many hours do you work? *If you do not work for pay or profit, write "0" and skip to next page.*

_____ Hours per week

E12 Approximately what is your hourly wage rate? *Circle one number.*

- 1 Under \$5.00 per hour
- 2 \$5.00 to \$9.99
- 3 \$10.00 to \$14.99
- 4 \$15.00 to \$19.99
- 5 \$20.00 to \$29.99
- 6 \$30.00 to \$39.99
- 7 \$40.00 to \$49.99
- 8 \$50.00 to \$59.99
- 9 \$60 or more per hour

E13 Would you prefer to work more hours or fewer hours per week at the same wage or rate of pay? *You'd have less income if you worked less, and more income if you worked more.*

- 1 I would work **more** hours per week
- 2 I would work **fewer** hours per week
- 3 Neither. I am happy with the number of hours I currently work.

Is there anything we overlooked?
Please use the space below to provide us with any other comments you would like to make.

YOUR PARTICIPATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

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