

Ocean Salmon Management Program

Preliminary 2018 Oregon Ocean Recreational Salmon Estimates:



Ocean Recreational Season between Leadbetter Pt., WA and Cape Falcon, OR

Season: Open June 23 through the earlier of **August 12** ~~Sept. 3~~ or **with a 23,400** ~~21,000~~ marked Coho (Chinook g of 8,000). Two salmon per day, but no more than one Chinook, and all Coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. **Reopened for Sept. 2-3 for two salmon per day (no Chinook sublimit), and all Coho must have a healed adipose fi**

Preliminary Oregon Effort and Catch (Leadbetter Point, WA to Cape Falcon, OR) through September 3

Week or Period	No. Angler Trips	No. Fish Harvested		No. Fish Released		Retained Catch per Angler
		Coho	Chinook	Coho	Chinook	
June 23-24	206	26	76	4	24	0.50
June 25-July 1	162	10	34	10	26	0.27
July 2-8	372	139	19	133	29	0.42
July 9-15	171	114	6	78	19	0.70
July 16-22	270	184	21	128	51	0.76
July 23-29	1,026	956	104	793	126	1.03
July 30- Aug. 5	2,811	3,503	178	3,907	393	1.31
Aug. 6-12	2,497	2,173	237	3,429	540	0.97
Aug. 13-19	0					NA
Aug. 20-26	0					NA
Aug. 27-Sept. 2	125	14	2	25	8	0.13
Sept. 3	23	5	2	0	0	0.30
Total	7,663	7,124	679	8,507	1,215	1.02

Note: **Red text** indicates retention of species when season closed.

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Columbia River Catch Area: Leadbetter Pt., Washington to Cape Falcon, Oregon:
Preliminary Landings through September 3

	Chinook Landed	Coho Landed	
Oregon	679	7,124	
Washington	1,569	13,424	
Total Landings	2,248	20,550	
	Percent of Chinook Guideline (8,000)	28.1%	Percent of Coho Quota (21,000 23,400)
			87.8%

US/Canada Border to Cape Falcon, OR
Effort and Catch by Area through September 3

Supplemental Information Provided by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

	Angler Trips	Selective Coho Area Quotas	Chinook Area Guidelines and Overall Quota	Selective Fishery Landed Coho	% of Selective Coho Quota	Landed Chinook	% of Chinook Guideline
Neah Bay Ocean Catch Area (closed 8/12)	8,633	5,370	5,900	4,944	92.1%	3,024	51.3%
LaPush Ocean Catch Area	1,921	1,090	1,500	960	88.1%	432	28.8%
Westport Ocean Catch Area	22,771	15,540	13,100	15,369	98.9%	4,899	37.4%
Columbia River Ocean Catch Area (closed 8/12; reopened for 9/2-3)	22,519	23,400	8,000	20,550	87.8%	2,248	28.1%
Total	55,844	45,400	28,500	41,824		10,603	

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**In-season Management Actions Related to the
2018 North of Cape Falcon Recreational Ocean Salmon Seasons:**

- 12-Jul Neah Bay salmon bag limit will change from 2 salmon with no more than 1 Chinook, to 2 salmon effective Saturday, July 14 (all retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip).
Rationale: Coho landings had exceeded 37% of the season quota by July 8. By taking this action, it is hoped more anglers will target Chinook and lower the rate of coho landings.
- 24-Jul A transfer of 1,000 coho from the commercial troll salmon fishery was made to the Neah Bay area recreational fishery in order to keep that season open for a few more days. Any Chinook Salmon remaining on the seasonal guideline from this area will be transferred to the troll salmon fishery once the Neah Bay recreational season closes.
- 8-Aug Neah Bay and Columbia River ocean areas will close to all salmon fishing effective Sunday, August 12 at 11:59PM. Transfers of 2,400 coho from the commercial troll salmon fishery and 600 coho from the recreational fishery in the Westport area were made to the recreational coho quota in the Columbia River area in order to insure that the fishery could stay open through Sunday night with little risk of exceeding the quota. Any remaining coho at the end of this season will transfer back to the two donor fisheries.
- 23-Aug Westport area opens to 7 days per week with limit of 2 salmon per day (rescinds the 1 Chinook sublimit). Transfers from August 8 were returned to donor fisheries.
- 30-Aug Columbia River ocean area (Leadbetter Pt. to Cape Falcon) reopens for sport salmon on September 2-3. The bag limit restriction on Chinook. The commercial troll salmon fishery provided 2,400 coho to the recreational fishery to allow for the reopening. Any coho not needed will be returned to the troll quota after September 3.



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