

Run Size Forecast for Yakima River Adult Spring Chinook, 2009

Preliminary¹

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¹ Some updates to 2008 age-at-return data are still pending. An updated forecast may be generated in February, 2009, but is not expected to differ substantially from this report.

Summary

In 2008 the forecast was for a return of 10,060 adult (age-4 and age-5) spring Chinook to the mouth of the Yakima River. The actual return in 2008 was estimated to be 6,615 adult spring Chinook. The year 2008 marked the eighth year that adult spring Chinook returned from the Cle Elum Supplementation and Research Facility (CESRF) and the fourth year that age-4 spring Chinook returned from an integrated spawning population (CESRF fish spawning with natural-origin fish on the natural spawning grounds). Of the estimated 6,615 age-4 and age-5 fish in the 2008 return, approximately 3,465 (52%) were age-4 and age-5 returns from the 2004 and 2003 broods of CESRF releases.

The model used to compute Yakima River spring Chinook forecasts for 2009 was updated from the model used in prior years. In addition to jack return abundance, the model now includes parent (age-4) spawning escapement and jack size as input variables to a multiple linear regression function. This model has an average error rate of 25% compared to the former model's average error rate of 41% for years since 2001. Projections are for the following returns to the Yakima River mouth in 2009:

Stock	Age-4	Age-5	Total Adults
Upper Yakima Natural	3,690	120	3,810
Upper Yakima CESRF	8,760	100	8,860
Naches/American Wild	2,510	730	3,240
Total Run	14,960	950	15,910
Total Wild/Natural	6,200	850	7,050
Total CESRF	8,760	100	8,860

The total 2009 forecasted return of 15,910 adult spring Chinook is 164% of the recent 10-year (1999-2008) average adult return of 9,730 spring Chinook. The method used for the past several years (using only jack returns) projects an aggregate return of 13,900 spring Chinook. NOAA is reporting that improved ocean conditions are expected to contribute to stronger returns in 2009 and 2010 (see <http://www.nwfsc.noaa.gov/research/divisions/fed/oeip/g-forecast.cfm>).

Review of 2008 Yakima River spring Chinook return

The estimated spring Chinook return to the Yakima River mouth in 2008 was 6,615 (3,465 CESRF) adults and 1,985 (1,440 CESRF) jacks for a total return of 8,600 spring Chinook (Table 1). The final Prosser Dam counts were estimated to be: 6,390 adults (3,260 CESRF), and 1,670 jacks (1,170 CESRF) for a total count of 8,060 spring Chinook (Table 2). The final Roza Dam counts were: 4,100 adults (2,680 CESRF), and 1,380 jacks (1,120 CESRF) for a total count of 5,480 spring Chinook (Table 3). Age information from all available sampling data is used to reconstruct the river mouth run components, and to produce brood cohort tables for the forecast. Since age data from scale samples do not always agree with jack counts based on video or physical observations, adjustments are typically made during run reconstruction resulting in slight discrepancies between adult and jack river mouth run size estimates compared to Prosser Dam and harvest below Prosser Dam estimates, and between Prosser and Roza Dam estimates. The reader may also notice some discrepancies in CESRF and wild/natural count estimates throughout this report due to inherent inaccuracies involved with video-based mark sampling.

Harvest was estimated at 1,230 adults and 300 jacks (Table 4). Harvest consisted of approximately 360 wild/natural adults, 70 wild/natural jacks, 870 CESRF adults, and 230 CESRF jacks with about 450 adults and 90 jacks harvested in tribal fisheries below Prosser Dam. The mark-selective, non-Indian recreational fishery in the Yakima River in 2008 harvested about 600 spring Chinook.

Estimated escapements were: 4,330 spring Chinook (with about 72% of the total escapement estimated to be returns from the CESRF) into the upper Yakima River subbasin, and 1,580 spring Chinook into the Naches River and its associated subbasins (Table 1). A total of about 1,375 redds were counted in the upper Yakima River subbasin and 495 redds were counted in the Naches River and its associated subbasins (Table 5).

Forecast for 2009 Yakima River spring Chinook return

Age-4:age-3 and age-5:age-4 cohort ratios and regression relationships for wild/natural fish in the upper Yakima and Naches subbasins independently and for the aggregate Yakima River return were reviewed for all years dating back to 1982 (Tables 6-8). The proportion of age-4 and age-5 upper Yakima River CESRF returns were projected using the 1997-2004 brood CESRF average age-4 to age-3 and age-5 to age-4 cohort ratios (Table 9). Since most Yakima River spring Chinook return at age-4, the survival of age-3 fish (jacks) in the previous year are the primary driver in the forecast. As noted above, the model used to compute Yakima River spring Chinook forecasts for 2009 was updated from the model used in prior years. In addition to jack return abundance, the model now includes parent (age-4) spawning escapement and jack size as input variables to a multiple linear regression function (Tables 10 and 11). This model has an average error rate of 25% compared to the former model's average error rate of 41% for years since 2001. Given these methods, **the forecasts for 2009 spring Chinook returns to the Yakima River mouth are: 14,960 age-4 and 950 age-5 fish for a total projected return of 15,910 adult spring Chinook. The forecast includes projected returns of 7,050 wild/natural adult (44%) and 8,860 CESRF adult (56%) spring Chinook.**

A similar forecasting technique projected a return of 10,060 (age-4 and age-5) spring Chinook to the Yakima River in 2008 compared to the actual return of 6,615 age-4 and age-5 fish. On average since 1997, the data indicate that forecasting has been accurate to within about +/- 37% of the actual return (Table 12). Note also that a variety of factors can affect the Yakima River mouth return rate of CESRF fish relative to their natural counterparts. These factors include: year-to-year variances in release numbers (Table 13), mark-selective fisheries in the lower Columbia River which target adipose-fin-clipped fish (all CESRF fish are adipose-clipped), and variances in freshwater and ocean survival.

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Table 1. Yakima River Spring Chinook Run (CESRF and wild/natural, Adults and Jacks combined) Reconstruction, 1983-Present.

Year	River Mouth Run Size ¹			Harvest Below Prosser		Harvest Above Prosser		Spawners Roza		Est. Escapement			Redd Counts	
	Adults	Jacks	Total	Prosser Count	Prosser	Below Roza ²	Roza Count	Roza Removals ³	Upper Y.R. ⁴	Naches ⁵	Upper Y.R.	Naches		
1983	1,231	210	1,441	72	867	12	118	1,007	0	1,007	232	360	83	
1984	2,251	407	2,658	119	2,539	170	180	1,619	84	1,535	570	634	220	
1985	4,109	451	4,560	321	4,239	544	247	2,428	97	2,331	1,020	860	427	
1986	8,841	598	9,439	530	8,909	810	709	3,267	16	3,251	4,123	1,472	1,313	
1987	4,187	256	4,443	359	4,084	158	269	1,928	194	1,734	1,729	903	677	
1988	3,919	327	4,246	333	3,913	111	60	1,575	235	1,340	2,167	424	490	
1989	4,640	274	4,914	560	4,354	187	135	2,515	184	2,331	1,517	915	541	
1990	4,280	92	4,372	131	2,255	532	282	2,047	31	2,016	1,380	678	464	
1991	2,802	104	2,906	27	2,879	5	131		40	1,583	1,121	582	460	
1992	4,492	107	4,599	184	4,415	161	39	3,027	18	3,009	1,188	1,230	425	
1993	3,800	119	3,919	44	3,875	85	56	1,869	0	1,869	1,865	637	554	
1994	1,282	20	1,302	0	1,302	25	10	563	0	563	704	285	272	
1995	526	140	666	0	666	79	9	355	0	355	223	114	104	
1996	3,060	119	3,179	100	3,079	375	26	1,631	0	1,631	1,047	801	184	
1997	3,092	81	3,173	0	3,173	575	20	1,445	261	1,184	1,133	413	339	
1998	1,771	132	1,903	0	1,903	188	3	795	408	387	917	147	330	
1999	1,513	1,268	2,781	8	2,773	596	55	1,704	738	966	418	212	186	
2000	17,519	1,582	19,101	90	19,011	2,368	204	12,327	667	11,660	4,112	3,770	888	
2001	21,225	2,040	23,265	1,793	21,472	2,838	286	12,516	718	11,798	5,832	3,260	1,192	
2002	14,616	483	15,099	328	14,771	2,780	29	8,922	878	8,044	3,041	2,816	943	
2003	4,868	2,089	6,957	59	6,898	381	83	3,842	584	3,258	2,592	868	935	
2004	13,974	1,315	15,289	135	15,154	1,544	90	11,005	718	10,287	2,515	3,414	719	
2005	8,059	699	8,758	34	8,724	440	28	6,352	667	5,685	1,904	2,009	576	
2006	5,951	363	6,314	0	6,314	600	14	4,028	664	3,364	1,672	1,245	444	
2007	2,968	1,335	4,303	10	4,293	269	13	3,025	716	2,309	986	722	314	
2008	6,615	1,983	8,598	539	8,059	993	9	5,478	1,144	4,334	1,578	1,372	495	

1. River Mouth run size is the greater of the Prosser count plus lower river harvest or estimated escapement plus all known harvest and removals.

2. Estimated as the average number of fish per redd in the upper Yakima times the number of redds between the Naches confluence and Roza Dam.

3. Roza removals include harvest above Roza, hatchery removals, and/or natural broodstock removals.

4. Estimated escapement into the upper Yakima River is the Roza count less harvest or broodstock removals above Roza Dam except in 1991 when Upper Yakima River escapement is estimated as the (Prosser count - harvest above Prosser - Roza subtractions) times the proportion of redds counted in the upper Yakima.

5. Naches River escapement is estimated as the Prosser count less harvest above Prosser and the Roza counts, except in 1983 and 1990 when it is estimated as the upper Yakima fish/redd times the Naches redd count.

Table 2. Estimated Spring Chinook counts at Prosser Dam, 1982-Present.

Year	<u>Adults</u>			<u>Jacks</u>			Total Passage			Actual CESRF Percent	Forecast CESRF Percent
	CESRF	Wild/Nat. ²	Total	CESRF	Wild/Nat. ²	Total	Total	Wild/Nat. ²	CESRF		
1982			1,453			46	1,499				
1983			748			119	867				
1984			2,321			218	2,539				
1985			3,815			424	4,239				
1986			8,557			352	8,909				
1987			3,758			326	4,084				
1988			3,590			323	3,913				
1989			4,112			242	4,354				
1990			2,202			53	2,255				
1991			2,750			129	2,879				
1992			4,282			133	4,415				
1993			3,795			80	3,875				
1994			1,283			19	1,302				
1995			528			138	666				
1996			2,946			133	3,079				
1997			3,126			47	3,173				
1998			1,771			132	1,903				
1999			1,795			978	2,773				
2000	41 ¹	17,381	17,422	741	848	1,589	19,011	18,229			
2001	7,803	11,960	19,763	1,087	622	1,709	21,472	12,582	8,890	41.4%	38.3%
2002	7,393	6,661	14,054	369	348	717	14,771	7,009	7,762	52.5%	56.6%
2003	1,257	3,742	4,999	989	910	1,899	6,898	4,652	2,246	32.6%	20.6%
2004	4,195	10,218	14,413	170	571	741	15,154	10,789	4,365	28.8%	41.2%
2005	737	7,160	7,897	540	287	827	8,724	7,447	1,277	14.6%	17.7%
2006	2,448	3,563	6,012	151	151	302	6,314	3,714	2,599	41.2%	31.3%
2007	823	2,044	2,867	866	560	1,426	4,293	2,604	1,689	39.3%	15.9%
2008	3,264	3,127	6,391	1,169	499	1,668	8,059	3,626	4,433	55.0%	48.3%

1. There were no CESRF adults returning in 2000. These are marked fish, presumably out-of-basin strays.
2. All fish prior to 2000 are assumed to be wild.

Table 3. Estimated Spring Chinook counts at Roza Dam, 1982-Present.
 (total counts including fish collected and removed for broodstock)

Year	CESRF	<u>Adults</u>		<u>Jacks</u>		Total	Total Passage
		Wild/Nat. ¹	Total	CESRF	Wild/Nat. ¹	Total	
1982			1,057			89	1,146
1983			860			147	1,007
1984			1,371			248	1,619
1985			2,189			239	2,428
1986			2,979			288	3,267
1987			1,854			74	1,928
1988			1,467			108	1,575
1989			2,375			141	2,515
1990			2,007			40	2,047
1991			No counts available				
1992			2,965			62	3,027
1993			1,795			74	1,869
1994			554			9	563
1995			280			75	355
1996			1,576			55	1,631
1997			1,396			49	1,445
1998			740			55	795
1999			879			825	1,704
2000		11,109	11,109	688	530	1,218	12,327
2001	6,180	5,010	11,190	990	336	1,326	12,516
2002	6,298	2,405	8,703	86	133	219	8,922
2003	1,151	784	1,935	1,133	774	1,907	3,842
2004	2,985	7,093	10,078	216	711	927	11,005
2005	726	4,876	5,602	540	210	750	6,352
2006	1,851	1,906	3,757	127	144	271	4,028
2007	899	1,101	2,000	833	192	1,025	3,025
2008	2,678	1,419	4,097	1,123	258	1,381	5,478

1. All fish prior to 2000 are assumed to be wild.

Table 4. Spring Chinook Harvest (adults and jacks combined) in the Yakima River Basin, 1982-Present.

Year	Tribal		Non-Tribal		River Totals			Harvest Rate ¹
	CESRF	Wild/Nat.	CESRF	Wild/Nat.	CESRF	Wild/Nat.	Total	
1982	0	434	0	0	0	434	434	23.8%
1983	0	84	0	0	0	84	84	5.8%
1984	0	289	0	0	0	289	289	10.9%
1985	0	865	0	0	0	865	865	19.0%
1986	0	1,340	0	0	0	1,340	1,340	14.2%
1987	0	517	0	0	0	517	517	11.6%
1988	0	444	0	0	0	444	444	10.5%
1989	0	747	0	0	0	747	747	15.2%
1990	0	663	0	0	0	663	663	15.2%
1991	0	32	0	0	0	32	32	1.1%
1992	0	345	0	0	0	345	345	7.5%
1993	0	129	0	0	0	129	129	3.3%
1994	0	25	0	0	0	25	25	1.9%
1995	0	79	0	0	0	79	79	11.9%
1996	0	475	0	0	0	475	475	14.9%
1997	0	575	0	0	0	575	575	18.1%
1998	0	188	0	0	0	188	188	9.9%
1999	0	604	0	0	0	604	604	21.7%
2000	53	2,305	0	100	53	2,405	2,458	12.9%
2001	572	2,034	1,252	772	1,825	2,806	4,630	19.9%
2002	1,373	1,207	492	36 ²	1,865	1,243	3,108	20.6%
2003	134	306	0	0	134	306	440	6.3%
2004	289	712	569	109 ²	858	820	1,679	11.0%
2005	46	428	0	0	46	428	474	5.4%
2006	246	354	0	0	246	354	600	9.5%
2007	123	156	0	0	123	156	279	6.5%
2008	521	414	586	11 ²	1,107	425	1,532	17.8%

1. Harvest rate is the river total harvest as a percentage of the river mouth run size given in Table 1.
2. Estimate of post-release mortality of unmarked fish.

Table 5. Yakima Basin spring Chinook redd count summary, 1982 – present.

Year	Mainstem ²	Upper Yakima River System ¹				Naches River System				
		Cle Elum	Teanaway	Total	American	Naches ²	Bumping	Little Naches	Total	
1982	610	30	0	640	11	25	6	12	54	
1983	387	15	0	402	36	27	11	9	83	
1984	677	31	0	708	72	81	26	41	220	
1985	795	153	3	951	141	168	74	44	427	
1986	1,716	77	0	1,793	464	543	196	110	1,313	
1987	968	75	0	1,043	222	281	133	41	677	
1988	369	74	0	443	187	145	111	47	490	
1989	770	192	6	968	187	200	101	53	541	
1990	727	46	0	773	143	159	111	51	464	
1991	568	62	0	630	170	161	84	45	460	
1992	1,082	164	0	1,246	120	155	99	51	425	
1993	550	105	1	656	214	189	88	63	554	
1994	226	64	0	290	89	93	70	20	272	
1995	105	12	0	117	46	25	27	6	104	
1996	711	100	3	814	28	102	29	25	184	
1997	364	56	0	420	111	108	72	48	339	
1998	123	24	1	148	149	104	54	23	330	
1999	199	24	1	224	27	95	39	25	186	
2000	3,349	466	21	3,836	54	483	278	73	888	
2001	2,932	386	21	3,339	392	436	257	107	1,192	
2002	2,441	275	110	2,826	366	226	262	89	943	
2003	772	87	31	890	430	228	216	61	935	
2004	2,985	330	129	3,444	91	348	205	75	719	
2005	1,717	287	15	2,019	142	203	163	68	576	
2006	1,092	100	58	1,250	133	163	115	33	444	
2007	665	51	10	726	166	60	60	28	314	
2008	1,191	137	47	1,375	158	165	102	70	495	
Mean	1,012	124	16	1,152	158	180	107	48	493	

¹ Yakima River redd counts include redds between the Naches River confluence and Roza Dam. In some years, water conditions preclude accurate counts in this reach and the number of redds is estimated using historical proportions for this reach.

² Including minor tributaries.

Table 6. Brood Table for Upper Yakima wild/natural stock.

Brood Year	Estimated Spawners	Estimated Yakima R. Mouth Returns				Returns/Spawner
		Age-3	Age-4	Age-5	Total	
1982	1,280	324	4,016	411	4,751	3.71
1983	1,125	408	1,882	204	2,494	2.22
1984	1,715	92	1,348	139	1,578	0.92
1985	2,578	114	2,746	105	2,965	1.15
1986	3,960	171	2,574	149	2,893	0.73
1987	2,003	53	1,571	109	1,733	0.87
1988	1,400	53	3,138	132	3,323	2.37
1989	2,466	68	1,779	9	1,856	0.75
1990	2,298	79	566	0	645	0.28
1991	1,713	9	326	22	358	0.21
1992	3,048	87	1,861	95	2,043	0.67
1993	1,925	66	1,606	57	1,729	0.90
1994	573	60	737	92	890	1.55
1995	364	59	1,036	129	1,224	3.36
1996	1,657	1,059	12,882	630	14,571	8.79
1997	1,204	621	5,837	155	6,613	5.49
1998	390	434	2,803	145	3,381	8.68
1999	1,021 ¹	164	722	45	930	0.91
2000	11,864	856	7,689	127	8,672	0.73
2001	12,084	775	5,074	222	6,071	0.50
2002	8,073	224	1,875	148	2,247	0.28
2003	3,341 ¹	158	1,036	67	1,262	0.38
2004	10,377	207	1,543		1,749	0.17
2005	5,713	293				
2006		3,378				
2007		2,322				
2008		4,343				

1. Approximately 45-50% of these fish were jacks.

Table 7. Brood Table for Naches/American wild stock.

Brood Year	Estimated Spawners	Estimated Yakima R. Mouth Returns					Returns/Spawner
		Age-3	Age-4	Age-5	Age-6	Total	
1982	108	127	1,274	601	0	2,002	18.54
1983	232	190	1,257	1,257	8	2,713	11.68
1984	570	164	1,109	1,080	0	2,354	4.13
1985	1,020	213	667	931	0	1,811	1.77
1986	4,123	103	670	852	31	1,657	0.40
1987	1,729	39	231	400	0	669	0.39
1988	2,167	51	815	1,557	11	2,434	1.12
1989	1,517	39	332	371	0	741	0.49
1990	1,380	40	326	168	0	533	0.39
1991	1,121	10	32	144	127	314	0.28
1992	1,188	52	1,034	661	0	1,747	1.47
1993	1,865	53	603	817	17	1,489	0.80
1994	704	21	160	167	0	348	0.49
1995	223	73	201	498	0	771	3.46
1996	1,047	209	4,010	2,360	0	6,580	6.29
1997	1,133	220	4,645	1,377	0	6,242	5.51
1998	917	364	2,167	2,316	0	4,847	5.28
1999	418 ¹	185	369	280	0	835	2.00
2000	4,112	131	2,296	346	0	2,773	0.67
2001	5,832	144	1,598	785	0	2,526	0.43
2002	3,041	78	975	443	0	1,496	0.49
2003	2,592	75	387	1,028		1,489	0.57
2004	2,515	227	514			741	0.29
2005	1,904	246					
2006	1,672						
2007	986						
2008	1,578						

1. Approximately 48% of these fish were jacks.

Table 8. Brood Table for Yakima River aggregate (wild/natural).

Brood Year	Estimated Spawners	Estimated Yakima R. Mouth Returns				Returns/Spawner
		Age-3	Age-4	Age-5	Age-6	Total
1982	1,388	451	5,290	1,012	0	6,753
1983	1,357	598	3,138	1,461	8	5,206
1984	2,285	256	2,457	1,219	0	3,932
1985	3,598	327	3,412	1,037	0	4,776
1986	8,083	274	3,244	1,000	31	4,550
1987	3,732	92	1,802	508	0	2,402
1988	3,567	104	3,953	1,689	11	5,757
1989	3,983	107	2,111	379	0	2,597
1990	3,678	119	892	168	0	1,178
1991	2,834	20	358	166	127	672
1992	4,236	140	2,894	756	0	3,790
1993	3,790	119	2,209	874	17	3,218
1994	1,277	81	897	260	0	1,238
1995	587	132	1,236	627	0	1,995
1996	2,704	1,268	16,892	2,990	0	21,151
1997	2,337	841	10,482	1,532	0	12,855
1998	1,307	798	4,970	2,460	0	8,228
1999	1,439 ¹	349	1,091	325	0	1,765
2000	15,976	987	9,986	472	0	11,445
2001	17,916	919	6,671	1,007	0	8,597
2002	11,113	302	2,849	592	0	3,743
2003	5,933 ²	233	1,423	1,095		2,751
2004	12,893	434	2,057			2,491
2005	7,617	539				
2006	5,050					
2007	3,308 ²					
2008	5,922					

1. Approximately 48% of these fish were jacks.

2. Approximately 36% of these fish were jacks.

Table 9. Brood Table for Cle Elum SRF Spring Chinook.

Brood Year	Estimated Spawners ¹	Estimated Yakima R. Mouth Returns			Returns/Spawner
		Age-3	Age-4	Age-5	Total
1997	261	741	7,753	176	8,670
1998	408	1,242	7,939	602	9,782
1999	738 ²	134	714	16	864
2000	567	1,103	3,647	70	4,819
2001	595	396	845	9	1,251
2002	629	345	1,886	69	2,300
2003	441	121	800	20	941
2004	597	805	3,093		3,898
2005	510	1,305			
2006	419				
2007	449				
2008	457				

1. These are the total number of natural fish collected at Roza Dam and taken to the CESRF for production brood stock.
2. 357 or 48% of these fish were jacks.

Table 10. Adult returns, number of age-4 spawners four years prior, jack returns (one year prior), and jack size (mid-eye to hypural plate in cm) for adult return years 1986 to present.

Return Year	Adult Return	Age-4 Spawners	Jack Year	Jack Return	Jack Size
1986	8,841	1,254	1985	451	
1987	4,187	1,239	1986	598	45.0
1988	3,919	2,105	1987	256	44.3
1989	4,640	3,351	1988	327	44.5
1990	4,280	7,374	1989	274	45.0
1991	2,802	3,463	1990	92	49.6
1992	4,492	3,507	1991	104	38.2
1993	3,800	3,848	1992	107	42.8
1994	1,282	3,396	1993	119	47.8
1995	526	2,703	1994	20	44.0
1996	3,060	4,197	1995	140	43.7
1997	3,092	3,734	1996	119	41.9
1998	1,771	1,267	1997	81	40.3
1999	1,513	578	1998	132	44.8
2000	17,519	2,678	1999	1,268	42.8
2001	21,225	2,317	2000	1,582	42.8
2002	14,616	1,304	2001	2,040	43.0
2003	4,868	1,384	2002	483	42.4
2004	13,974	15,772	2003	2,089	43.6
2005	8,059	17,630	2004	1,315	42.7
2006	5,951	11,085	2005	699	42.2
2007	2,968	5,850	2006	363	41.9
2008	6,615	12,802	2007	1,335	42.9
2009		7,589	2008	1,983	47.1

Table 11. MicroSoft Excel regression statistics output for predicting adult return size from age-4 adult spawner, jack return, and jack size data given in Table 10.

<i>Regression Statistics</i>					
Multiple R	0.8992966				
R Square	0.8087344				
Adjusted R Square	0.7768568				
Standard Error	2636.2364				
Observations	22				
<i>ANOVA</i>					
	<i>df</i>	<i>SS</i>	<i>MS</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>Significance F</i>
Regression	3	5.29E+08	1.76E+08	25.369995	1.1E-06
Residual	18	1.25E+08	6949742		
Total	21	6.54E+08			
	<i>Standard</i>				
	<i>Coefficients</i>	<i>Error</i>	<i>t Stat</i>	<i>P-value</i>	<i>Lower 95%</i>
Intercept	10583.700	10994.074	0.963	0.348	-12513.992
X Variable 1	-0.337	0.134	-2.506	0.022	-0.619
X Variable 2	8.241	0.980	8.406	0.000	6.181
X Variable 3	-179.547	250.300	-0.717	0.482	-705.409
					<i>Upper 95%</i>
					33681.393
					-0.055
					10.300
					346.314

Table 12. Forecasted versus Actual Return of Age-4 and Age-5 Fish.

Year	Forecast	Actual	Difference	AbsDiff
1997	3,300	3,090	6.8%	6.8%
1998	1,400	1,770	-20.9%	20.9%
1999	1,200	1,510	-20.5%	20.5%
2000	5,200	17,520	-70.3%	70.3%
2001	26,100	21,220	23.0%	23.0%
2002	21,780	14,620	49.0%	49.0%
2003	6,370	4,870	30.8%	30.8%
2004	19,160	13,970	37.2%	37.2%
2005	14,500	8,060	79.9%	79.9%
2006	6,670	5,950	12.1%	12.1%
2007	4,160	2,970	40.1%	40.1%
2008	10,060	6,610	52.2%	52.2%
2009	15,910			
Average Error in forecast:				36.9%

Table 13. CESRF Smolt Releases by Brood Year¹

Brood Year	Migration Year	Total Release	Return Year for:		
			Age-3 (jack)	Age-4	Age-5
1997	1999	386,048	2000	2001	2002
1998	2000	589,683	2001	2002	2003
1999	2001	758,789	2002	2003	2004
2000	2002	834,285	2003	2004	2005
2001 ²	2003	370,236	2004	2005	2006
2002	2004	836,904	2005	2006	2007
2003	2005	824,692	2006	2007	2008
2004	2006	785,448	2007	2008	2009
2005	2007	860,002	2008	2009	2010
2006	2008	642,795	2009	2010	2011

1. Release target is 720,000 to 810,000 smolts, but was intentionally reduced in start-up years of 1997 and 1998.
2. Approximately ½ of production destroyed due to high presence of agents causing Bacterial Kidney Disease (BKD).