

Creel Survey

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Salmon/Steelhead

Cowlitz River – Excellent for coho throughout the river with boat anglers averaging nearly a fish kept per rod and bank anglers one for every 2 rods. Some fall Chinook, summer run steelhead, and sea run cutthroats are also being caught.

Lewis River – Mainstem and North Fork Lewis are producing some fall Chinook and coho.

Lower Columbia mainstem below Bonneville Dam – Last week we sampled 183 salmonid anglers (including 52 boats) with 13 adult fall Chinook, 58 adult coho, and no steelhead. All but one of the adult Chinook caught were kept although it was legal to retain all fish. 49 (84%) of the adult coho caught were kept.

We did not sample any steelhead last week.

Last week on the lower Columbia, anglers made 5,300 trips and caught 595 adult Chinook (590 kept and five released) 1,140 adult coho (992 kept and 148 released) and 12 summer steelhead (kept).

Bonneville Pool – Producing some fall Chinook and coho.

Sturgeon and Walleye – We did not sample any anglers fishing for either specie last week.

Washington lower Columbia tributaries and Bonneville Pool salmonid sport sampling summaries - Oct. 6-12.

Area	Bank # Rods	Chinook Kept		Chinook Rel.		Coho Kept		Coho Rel.		Steelhead		Other	Boat # Rods	Chinook Kept		Chinook Rel.		Coho Kept		Coho Rel.		Steelhead			
		Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks	Kept	Rel.			Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks	Kept	Rel.	Kept	Rel.	Other	
Cowlitz River	209	3	0	8	0	102	2	30	1	6	1		174	0	0	11	0	156	9	31	2	0	0	2 cutts rel.	
Kalama River	14	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0													
Lewis River													14	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
North Fork Lewis River	19	4	0	1	0	8	1	4	0	0	0	0													
Bonneville Pool													40	8	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	

October 1-12 LCR Sport Catch (Preliminary)

River Section	Boats	Anglers	ChF	StS	Wild StS	Coho	Coho Rel.	ChF Rel.
1 Boat	533	1758	589	0	0	127	12	4
2 Boat	924	1690	132	3	0	200	42	0
3-6 Boat	1346	2737	437	9	0	209	36	0
7-8 Boat	1217	2502	125	0	0	1353	262	34
9-10 Boat	13	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
OR Bank		765	69	10	0	10	0	0
WN Bank		1187	185	0	0	35	0	0
Oct Prelim.	4,033	10,665	1,537	22	-	1,934	352	38
September (prelim)		74,967	20,447	443	257	5,435	2,868	7,649
August (Prelim)		58,947	4,752	6,462	5,370	67	91	71
Cumulative Total		144,579	26,736	6,927	5,627	7,436	3,311	7,758