

STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA— DUNGENESS SUMMER CHUM

The Dungeness summer chum stock was not identified as a stock in the 1992 SASSI and was not rated.

STOCK STATUS

1992 STATUS	2002 STATUS
Not rated	Unknown

STOCK STATUS RATING DATA

There are no abundance trend data for Dungeness summer chum, so their status is **Unknown** in 2002. Summer-timed chum are observed in the Dungeness River during spawner surveys for chinook and pink salmon. The numbers of fish seen are so low that they may not represent a self-sustaining stock but could be strays from other stocks. There are no data prior to 1980 that indicate the presence of a summer chum stock in the Dungeness River.

STOCK DEFINITION

Dungeness summer chum were recognized as a separate stock in the state-tribal summer chum recovery plan (WDFW and PNPTT 2000) based on their distinct spawning distribution and early spawning timing.

SPAWNING DISTRIBUTION: Most spawning takes place in the lower Dungeness River, however, summer chum have been seen upstream as far as the WDFW Dungeness Hatchery (RM 10.5)

SPAWNING TIMING: Spawning generally occurs in September and October.

GENETIC ANALYSIS: No genetic analysis has been done on Dungeness summer chum.

STOCK ORIGIN

This is a **native** stock with **wild** production.