

SOOES/OZETTE – OZETTE FALL CHUM

STOCK STATUS

1992 STATUS	2002 STATUS
Unknown	Unknown

STOCK STATUS RATING DATA

There is very little abundance trend information with which to rate stock status.

Stock status is rated **Unknown** in 2002, but may be depressed due to very low numbers of chum observed in Umbrella Creek, a tributary to Lake Ozette and in the Ozette River, the lake outlet to the Pacific Ocean.

STOCK DEFINITION

Ozette fall chum were identified as a stock based on their distinct spawning distribution.

SPAWNING DISTRIBUTION: Specific spawning locations have not been determined. Chum have been observed to spawn, and emergent natural-origin chum fry have been trapped from Umbrella Creek. Low numbers of chum fry were also recovered in a smolt trap emigrating from the Ozette River (Makah Fisheries Management, unpublished field notes).

SPAWNING TIMING: Spawning generally occurs from late October to early December.

GENETIC ANALYSIS: Genetic analysis has not been done on Ozette fall chum.

STOCK ORIGIN

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