

**COWLITZ, KALAMA, LEWIS ADULT SPRING CHINOOK
2023 FORECASTS AND RETURNS, AND
2024 FORECASTS**

River	2023				2024	
	Tributary Forecast	Tributary Return	Col River Forecast	Col River Return	Tributary Forecast	Col River Forecast
Cowlitz	8,710	5,941	9,000	6,217	4,580	4,700
Kalama	2,330	2,335	2,400	2,525	1,840	1,900
Lewis	4,570	3,161	4,700	3,191	3,270	3,400
Total	15,610	11,437	16,100	11,933	9,690	10,000

**Tributary forecasts and returns are to the tributary mouths; Columbia River return and forecast is to the Columbia River mouth.*

***The Columbia River forecast numbers are rounded to the nearest 100s place.*

- The 2024 Cowlitz River spring Chinook forecast to the tributary mouth is greater than the recent 5-year average return of 3,800 and less than the 10-year average return of 9,700.
- The 2024 Kalama River spring Chinook forecast to the tributary mouth is similar to the recent 5-year average return of 1,800 and less than the 10-year average return of 2,300.
- The 2024 Lewis River spring Chinook forecast to the tributary mouth is similar to the recent 5-year average return of 3,200 and greater than the 10-year average return of 2,400.