



# The State of Salmon

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# SEAGO

SEAGO is the voice of Southeast Alaska charter fishing and lodge operations in Alaska and their supporters. We are committed to representing the industry on all critical issues, for the long-term.

Our mission is to promote the tradition of sport fishing in Southeast Alaska through reasonable regulations that ensure the long-term sustainability of our businesses and fish resources.

# Statewide Sportfishing Economic Contributions

475,534 licensed anglers

2.5 million days

\$1.4 billion spent

15,879 jobs

\$545 million of income

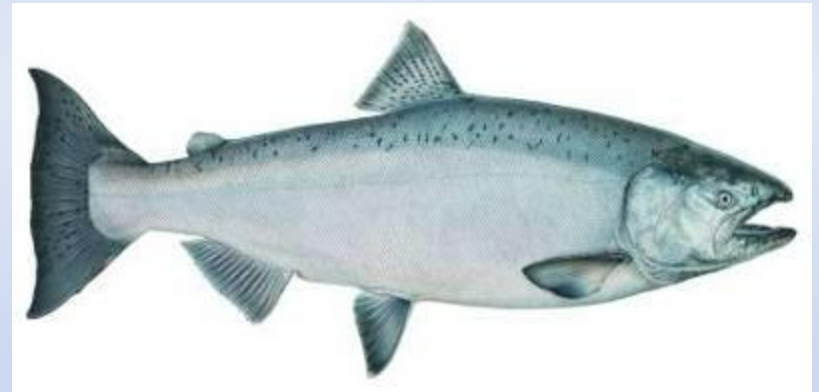
2.6% of income earned

3.6% of jobs



# SE Alaska Sportfishing Economic Contributions

- \$274 million spent
- \$71 million of income
- 2,243 jobs
- Non-resident spending > resident
- 4.8% of income
- 6.4% of jobs
- 80% in saltwater



# SE Alaska King Salmon



# 2014 State of the Industry

- Abundance Index 2.57

## Resident

The resident bag and possession limit is three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

## Nonresident

The nonresident bag and possession limit is one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length, except during May and June the bag and possession limit is two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length;

The nonresident annual limit is six king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.



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# SE King Salmon Management Plan

Abundance Index	Bag Limit		Nonresident Annual Limit	Other Restrictions
	Nonresident	Resident		
2.1	↑	↑	6	
2.0			↓	
1.9	1 or 2*		↑	
1.8		3	5 or 6	
1.75	↓		↓	
1.7	↑		↑	
1.6			4 or 5	
1.5		↓	↓	
1.4		↑	↑	
1.3		2	3	
1.2		↓	↓	
1.1	1	↑	↑	
1.0		↑	↑	
0.9		1	3 to 1	↑ as necessary ...
0.8				
0.7		↓	↓	
0.6	↓	↓	↓	↓

\* The nonresident bag limit is 2 fish during May and June at abundance indices above 2.0. At abundance indices below 2.0 and above 1.75 the nonresident bag limit is 2 fish during May.