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This report is an updated version of the *Economic Contributions of Commercial and Recreational Pacific Salmon Fisheries in British Columbia (2021–2024),* published August 2026. The current report updates the analysis and estimates for the 2022–2025 period. The previous version of the report is available here: https://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/analyses-econom-analysis/fisheries-peches/multi-sector-secteur/smon-rec-comm-econ-rpt/2021-2024/index-eng.html

The 2022–2025 edition adds in test fishery catch, which was not included in the 2021–2024 report. As a result, annual catch estimates may differ between the two reports.

The 2025 catch data from the Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) Annual Report is preliminary and subject to change. The preliminary data were provided by DFO Salmon Management and Client Services.

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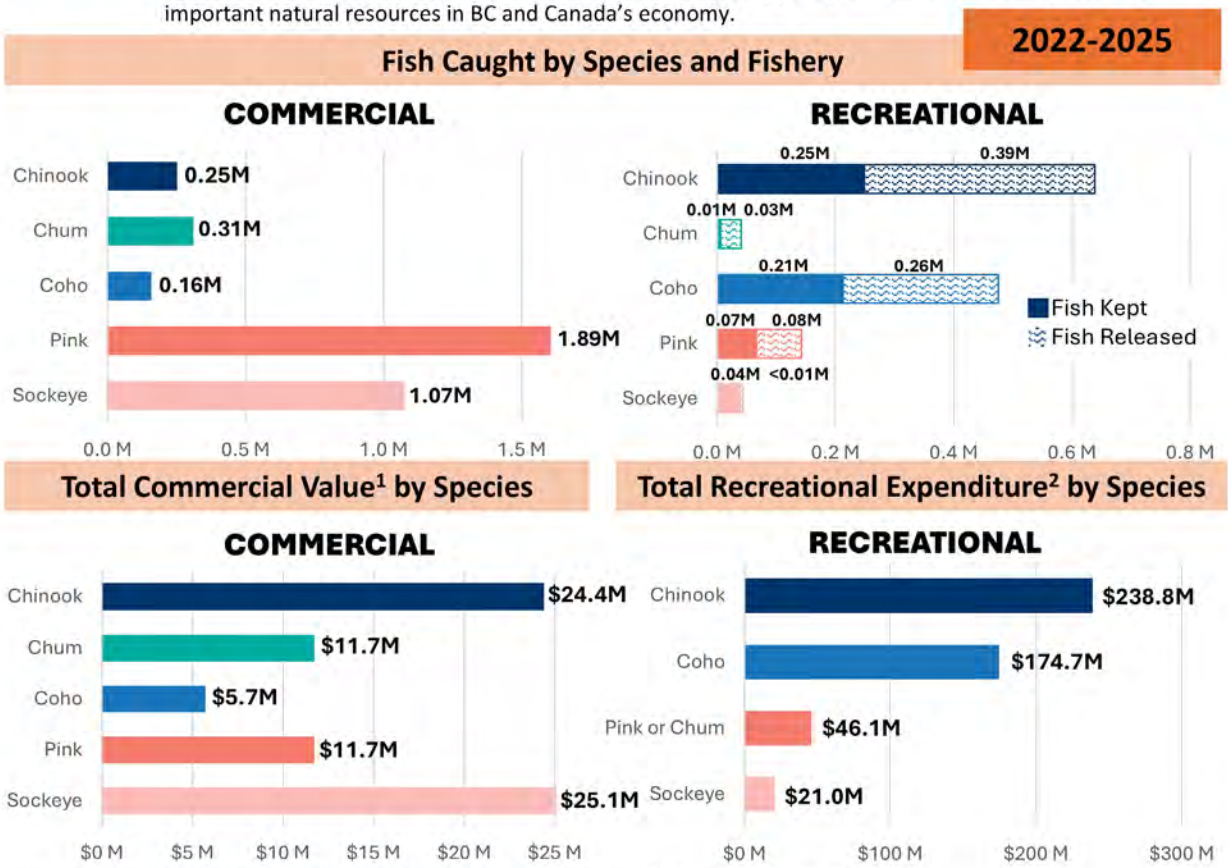
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1 Summary

Salmon is a significant economic contributor in British Columbia, supporting a wide range of industries and communities. The commercial and recreational salmon fisheries generate significant economic activity through harvesting, processing, tourism, and related services, sustaining jobs across coastal and inland regions, making it an important contributor to provincial and national GDP. Recreational fishery benefits reflect angler expenditures associated with participation in salmon fishing and include economic activity generated by trips that involve both retained and released fish. Commercial fishery benefits are derived from the sale of landed fish and are linked to harvested catch. Because of its broad economic reach and the livelihoods it supports, salmon remains one of the most important natural resources in BC and Canada's economy.



All values are 2022–2025 averages in CAD 2025 constant dollars, unless otherwise specified.
[1]Includes fishing, processing, retail and export sectors.
[2]Includes direct spending, major purchases and package expenditures.



The salmon fishery contributes a total of **$323 million to provincial GDP** and supports **4,180 jobs**. **Sockeye salmon** accounts for nearly **one-third (33%) of commercial fishery GDP**, while **Chinook salmon** accounts for approximately **half (50%) of recreational fishery GDP.**

2022-2025

Total Economic Contribution Summary

	Commercial	Recreational	Total
Output	$79M	$481M	$560M
GDP	$57M	$266M	$323M
Household Income	$36M	$179M	$215M
Employment	1,476	2,704	4,180

Total Commercial Economic Contribution by Species

	Chinook	Chum	Coho	Pink	Sockeye
Output[3]	$24M	$12M	$6M	$12M	$25M
GDP	$18M	$8M	$4M	$8M	$19M
Household Income	$12M	$5M	$3M	$5M	$12M
Employment[4]	719	422	319	676	778

Total Recreational Economic Contribution by Species

	Chinook	Coho	Pink or Chum	Sockeye
Expenditures[5]	$239M	$175M	$46M	$21M
GDP	$132M	$97M	$26M	$12M
Household Income	$89M	$65M	$17M	$8M
Employment	1,344	983	259	118

All values are 2022–2025 averages in CAD 2025 constant dollars, unless otherwise specified.
Please refer to Appendices A.5 and B.2 for a breakdown of the economic impacts by species.
[3]Includes fishing, processing, retail and export sectors.
[4]Direct employment for the marine commercial fishing sector is estimated using active vessels by gear type and average crew per vessel for each species. Since a vessel can fish multiple species, there will be some double counting of employment at the species level.
[5]Includes direct spending, major purchases and package expenditures.

2 Background

This report presents a socio-economic overview of British Columbia's (BC) commercial and recreational salmon fisheries using currently available information.

The report summarizes the structure and economic contributions of both commercial and recreational salmon fisheries in BC. For commercial fisheries, it presents economic indicators across harvesting, processing, trade, and retail. For recreational fisheries, it highlights activity and related expenditures for freshwater and saltwater salmon fishing. Together, these data illustrate how revenues and spending move through each sector's value chain and contribute to the provincial economy.

While the profiles aim to build a shared understanding of the socio-economic dimensions of these fisheries, they only capture quantifiable information and there are social and non-market values related to recreational and commercial fishing that are not included. Further, this report does not discuss the values associated with First Nations Food, Social, and Ceremonial (FSC) fisheries. Reporting on the social, cultural, and economic values of FSC fisheries is outside the scope of this report, which only covers commercial and recreational fisheries.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada Pacific Region also contributes to salmon management in the Yukon, however salmon run sizes have not supported commercial or recreational fishing opportunities in the Yukon River system for several years, including the years covered in this report.

In the past decade, commercial efforts on the Yukon River primarily focused on chum salmon due to their abundance. However, due to changes in ocean conditions and predation, climate change, habitat degradation, and overfishing, the population has steadily declined, and the fishery closed in 2020 to focus on restoration, conservation, and rebuilding. Similar to the commercial fishery, recreational angling has been restricted due to low abundance and for conservation.

The Alsek River originates in the Yukon and runs through Alaska, with minimal recreational salmon harvest and no commercial salmon harvest reported. Catch from the Stikine and Taku Rivers within the transboundary area has been included in the report.

2.1 Definitions and Acronyms

Accommodation and Food Service (AFS)	Businesses that provide short-term lodging and related services, as well as those that prepare and serve food and beverages for immediate consumption.
Direct Economic Impact	A measure of the impact on the economy from actual expenditures made by establishments operating in the sector.
Direct Expenditures	Expenditures on goods and services (food, camping, accommodation, transportation, supplies, etc.) incurred during fishing trips or excursions.
Ex-vessel Value	Dollar value of commercial harvest at first purchase of seafood landings.
Fish Slip	A commercial sales record capturing information on seafood purchases such as species, weight, and price.

For-Hire	Hired boat with a guide/charter.
Harvest	Catching of fish for commercial use.
Household Food Expenditure (HFE)	Purchases of food consumed at home, such as groceries bought from retail outlets.
Indirect Economic Impact	Measures the economic activity of industries supplying goods and services used by sector operators. This is also referred to as "supplier industry impact".
Induced Economic Impact	Measures the impact on the economy of spending by workers employed as a result of the sector's activity.
International Export (INEX)	Goods and services produced in one Canadian province or territory and sold to buyers in other countries.
Interprovincial Export (IPEX)	Goods and services produced in one Canadian province or territory and sold to buyers in other provinces or territories.
Major Purchases	Purchase of durable goods and investments in support of recreational fishing activities. These include boats, motors, special vehicles, camping gear and other durable goods, as well as land and building purchases.
Package Expenditures	Monies paid to a lodge or outfitter for a complete range of services such as lodging, food, transportation, use of fishing equipment, etc.
Private	Private boat either with or without a guide.
Processing	Transforming fish and shellfish into market-ready products.
Shore-based	Land-based fishing while on the shoreline instead of a boat.
Wholesaling	Distribution of processed products to retailers, food service providers, or export channels.

3 Commercial Salmon Industry

The British Columbia commercial salmon industry is a multi-sector industry composed of harvesting, processing, wholesaling, retail, and trade-related sectors. This section provides an overview of the commercial salmon industry, including the economic contributions of each sector. It builds on previous analyses and extends to the downstream activities of retail sales and exports.

Throughout this report, 'commercial' data includes commercial and communal commercial harvest from marine fisheries, as well as Economic Opportunity (EO), Demonstration (DEMO), Excess Salmon to Spawning Requirement (ESSR), Five Nations Community-Based Economic Fishery (CBEF), Harvest Agreement (HA) fisheries, test fisheries and transboundary fisheries. Additional detailed tables are presented in Appendix A. Tables expressed in US dollars are in Appendix C.

3.1 Commercial Value Chain

Table 3.1 summarizes value chain information for the five Pacific salmon species that are targeted in the commercial fishery: Chinook, chum, coho, pink, and sockeye. A typical salmon life cycle spans two to seven years, with major stocks running on a four-year cycle. This report presents the most recent four years of available data, ensuring that both high and low harvest years are included to establish an annual average for comparison, where applicable.

Table 3.1: Domestically Harvested Salmon Value Chain Summary by Species, 2022-2025
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

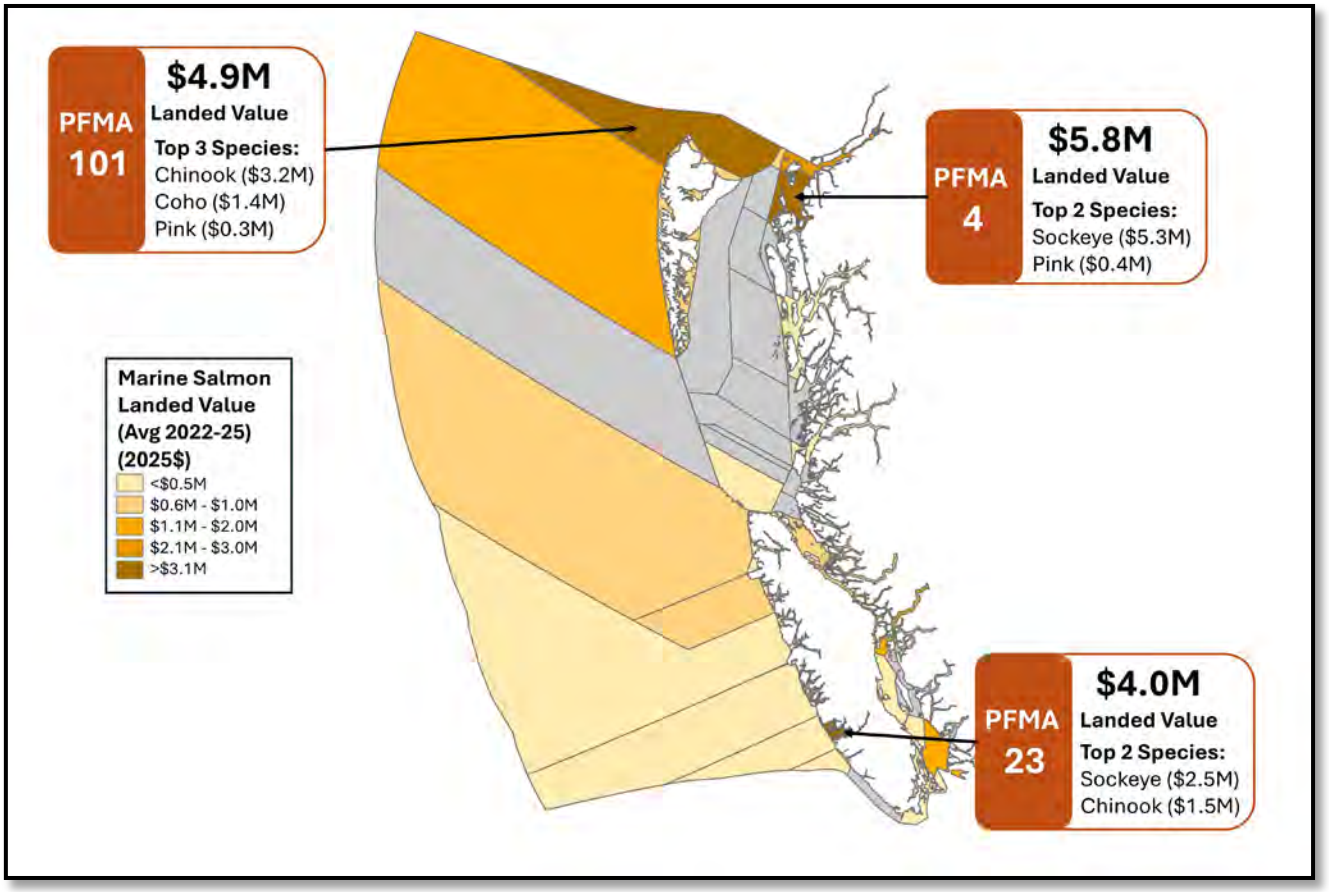
Fish Caught (Pieces)	2022	2023	2024	2025	Average
Chinook	237,827	258,616	232,521	281,187	252,537
Chum	173,310	80,487	589,696	402,423	311,479
Coho	180,444	189,299	165,143	100,538	158,856
Pink	939,411	2,190,141	2,243,339	2,206,285	1,894,794
Sockeye	1,917,298	563,198	820,045	998,975	1,074,879
Total	**3,448,289**	**3,281,741**	**4,050,744**	**3,989,408**	**3,692,545**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	1,408	1,522	1,402	1,632	1,491
Chum	1,007	472	1,920	1,501	1,225
Coho	549	532	436	355	468
Pink	1,641	3,726	3,986	3,951	3,326
Sockeye	3,926	1,206	1,726	2,029	2,222
Total	**8,530**	**7,458**	**9,470**	**9,467**	**8,731**
Ex-Vessel Values $000	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	$12,619	$13,840	$15,464	$18,552	$15,119
Chum	$5,018	$1,074	$5,737	$4,513	$4,085
Coho	$3,279	$2,680	$1,930	$1,880	$2,442
Pink	$1,476	$2,145	$3,099	$2,900	$2,405
Sockeye	$24,530	$6,724	$9,525	$13,965	$13,686
Total	**$46,921**	**$26,463**	**$35,754**	**$41,810**	**$37,737**

Wholesale Value $000	2022	2023	2024	2025	Average
Chinook	$15,900	$17,439	$19,484	$23,375	$19,050
Chum	$11,239	$2,405	$12,850	$10,110	$9,151
Coho	$6,000	$4,904	$3,532	$3,440	$4,469
Pink	$5,623	$8,173	$11,806	$11,049	$9,163
Sockeye	$35,078	$9,616	$13,621	$19,970	$19,571
Total	**$73,840**	**$42,536**	**$61,293**	**$67,944**	**$61,403**
Retail Value $000	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	$20,372	$22,343	$24,964	$29,950	$24,407
Chum	$14,400	$3,081	$16,465	$12,954	$11,725
Coho	$7,688	$6,283	$4,525	$4,407	$5,726
Pink	$7,204	$10,471	$15,126	$14,156	$11,739
Sockeye	$44,943	$12,320	$17,452	$25,586	$25,075
Total	**$94,607**	**$54,499**	**$78,531**	**$87,053**	**$78,673**

Note: Handling and transportation are included in the fishing, wholesaling, and retailing parts of the value chain.
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips (commercial and communal commercial harvest); DFO Price Survey data; Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) Annual Reports (ESSR, CBEF, EO, demo, test fisheries and Transboundary rivers), Annual Fisheries Production Schedule (wholesale value), Statistics Canada Supply Use Tables (retail value).

From 2022-2025, on average, the commercial fisheries harvested 3.7 million pieces of salmon, weighing approximately 8.7 million kg for an ex-vessel value of $38 million. Chinook and sockeye salmon account for 75% of the total ex-vessel value and are very important for the viability of the commercial fleet. While pink salmon account for the highest volume of catch, it has the lowest ex-vessel value. These fish are better suited to more processed products e.g. canning than fillets, as evidenced by their significantly higher wholesale margin. Domestically harvested salmon was processed and wholesaled for nearly $61 million. The estimated retail value of $79 million includes household and restaurant consumption in BC, as well as exports to other provinces and countries. Section 5.2 offers more details on the methods for estimating retail value.

Figure 3.1: Commercial marine landed value by PFMA area, 2022-2025 average
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)



These downstream values depend on domestic salmon harvest, which occurs across the province with landings all along the coast. In recent years, commercial harvest revenues are increasingly concentrated in a few areas. The Pacific Fisheries Management Areas (PFMAs) with the highest salmon ex-vessel values from 2022-2025 were PFMA 4 and 101 in the north and PFMA 23 in the south. Figure 3.1 shows a heatmap of the average landed values by PFMA for 2022-2025. Areas with the highest landed values correspond to locations where high-value sockeye and Chinook harvests are concentrated. Appendix A.3 shows additional harvest and active vessel information by licence area.

To support their harvest activities, commercial harvesters spend money on gear, maintenance, repairs, supplies, and sell their fish to processors who prepare and preserve the catch into marketable products, with handling, transportation, wholesaling, exporting, and retailing activities that follow. These ripples in the provincial economy are estimated in Section 3.2, *Commercial Fishing Economic Contributions*.

3.2 Commercial Fishing Economic Contributions

Economic activities along the commercial fishing value chain all involve businesses spending money on wages and production inputs (i.e., suppliers), who in turn spend their earnings on other goods and services. This section estimates these contributions to the provincial economy using multipliers derived from input-output modeling of the seafood sector and the broader economy. Between 2022-2025 commercial output along the value chain averaged $79 million annually, contributing $57 million in GDP, $36 million in labour income, and over 1,400 jobs. The 2022 bump in economic contributions is mainly attributable to an increase in sockeye salmon catch, as this was a dominant Adams River sockeye year.

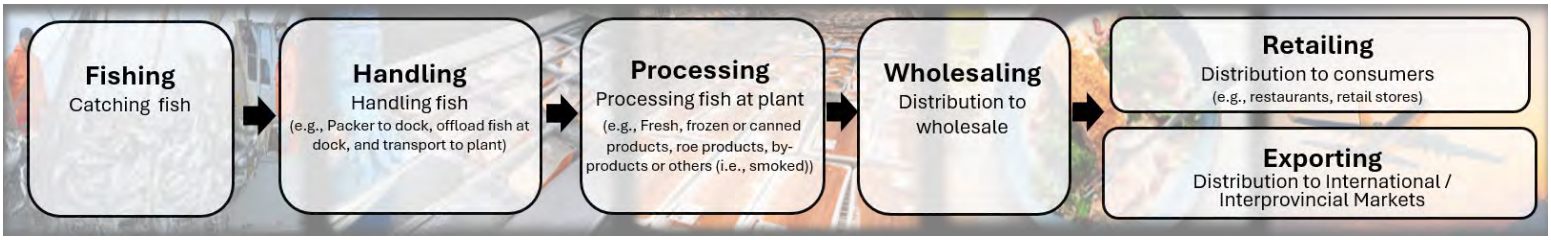


Table 3.2 summarizes the overall economic contributions of commercial salmon to regional GDP and labour income along the value chain. Estimates of direct, indirect, and induced effects shown below consider fishing, processing, retail, and trade activities. Retail activities include accommodation and food services (i.e., restaurants) as well as household food expenditures. Trade includes sales of BC salmon products to other Canadian provinces as well as international exports. Business expenditures on handling, transportation, and wholesaling are included as part of each of these activities. Note that total sector output is lower than the retail value reported in the previous section because the output estimates remove the cost of intermediate inputs from earlier stages of the value chain to eliminate double-counting of economic activity. Section 5 of this report presents additional information on data sources and methods.

Table 3.2: Commercial Salmon Economic Contributions
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Direct					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Output $000	$94,607	$54,499	$78,531	$87,053	$78,673
GDP $000	$41,869	$23,938	$33,733	$38,089	$34,407
Labour Income $000	$28,730	$16,437	$23,209	$26,163	$23,635
Employment	1,481	1,175	1,213	1,368	1,310
Indirect					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
GDP $000	$17,777	$10,305	$15,119	$16,513	$14,929
Labour Income $000	$10,546	$6,110	$8,951	$9,788	$8,849
Employment	140	81	118	130	117
Induced					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
GDP $000	$9,236	$5,318	$7,650	$8,492	$7,674

Labour Income $000	$4,729	$2,722	$3,914	$4,347	$3,928
Employment	59	34	49	54	49
Total					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
GDP $000	$68,883	$39,561	$56,503	$63,094	$57,010
Labour Income $000	$44,006	$25,269	$36,074	$40,298	$36,412
Employment	1,680	1,290	1,380	1,552	1,476

Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and Use Tables (2022).

Between 2022-2025, fishing accounted for 47% of the total output in the commercial salmon industry, followed by processing (31%) and the retail and trade sectors (22%). Total GDP and labour income contributions show fishing (48%) and retail and trade (31%) making up the largest shares. Table 3.3 (next page) presents these economic contributions in more detail.

Appendix A.4 shows the total economic contribution breakdown by direct, indirect, and induced contributions.

Table 3.3: Commercial Salmon Economic Contributions by Sector
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Direct Output of the sector $000	Total Economic Contribution		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employment
2022				
Fishing	$46,921	$33,994	$22,302	1,242
Processing	$26,919	$13,812	$8,967	148
Retail and Trade	$20,767	$21,076	$12,737	290
Total	**$94,607**	**$68,883**	**$44,006**	**1,680**
2023				
Fishing	$26,463	$19,172	$12,578	1,035
Processing	$16,073	$8,247	$5,354	88
Retail and Trade	$11,963	$12,141	$7,337	167
Total	**$54,499**	**$39,561**	**$25,269**	**1,290**
2024				
Fishing	$35,754	$25,904	$16,994	999
Processing	$25,539	$13,104	$8,507	140
Retail and Trade	$17,238	$17,495	$10,573	241
Total	**$78,531**	**$56,503**	**$36,074**	**1,380**
2025				
Fishing	$41,810	$30,291	$19,872	1,142
Processing	$26,134	$13,409	$8,705	144
Retail and Trade	$19,109	$19,393	$11,720	267
Total	**$87,053**	**$63,094**	**$40,298**	**1,552**
Average				
Fishing	$37,737	$27,341	$17,936	1,104
Processing	$23,666	$12,143	$7,883	130
Retail and Trade	$17,269	$17,526	$10,592	241
Total	**$78,673**	**$57,010**	**$36,412**	**1,476**

Note: Handling and transportation are included in the fishing, processing, and retail and trade sectors.
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and Use Tables (2022).

4 Recreational Fishing Sector



Recreational fishing for salmon represents both a leisure activity as well as an opportunity to catch and keep fish for personal consumption. These activities provide non-quantifiable benefits to the individual participants as well as contribute directly and indirectly to the economy through fishing-related expenditures.

Most anglers arrange their own fishing trips independently, including gear, boat, accommodation, meals, and transportation. Some anglers, especially from out-of-province, purchase fishing packages to arrange some or all of these services for them. Lodges organize all-inclusive packages that include accommodation, meals, boat and fuel, fishing equipment, as well as a guide to accompany anglers. Charters typically offer angling packages that provide only the boat, fishing equipment and a guide. Lodge experiences typically last three to five days while charter and independent trips typically last a single day.

This section focuses on both tidal (saltwater) and freshwater recreational salmon fishing-related activities, expenditures, and resulting economic contributions. Additional detailed tables are presented in Appendix B. Tables expressed in US dollars are in Appendix C.

4.1 Recreational Catch

Catch in the recreational sector is made up of two components, with anglers able to release and/or keep the fish they catch. Between 2022-2025, releases accounted for a larger component of overall catch for all salmon species except sockeye. The relative number of kept and released salmon depends on a number of factors, including angler preferences, bag limits, and other management factors like clipped or tagged hatchery fish. Table 4.1 provides a summary of the number of fish kept and released in the recreational salmon fishery.

On average, Chinook and coho salmon account for approximately 83% of total fish caught (kept + released). Pink (11%), chum (3%), and sockeye (3%) salmon account for the remaining catch. The proportions for fish kept follow a similar trend for most species. In recent years, there has been a gradual increase in catch in the recreational fishing sector.

Table 4.1: Recreational Sector Catch by Species, 2022-2025

Number of Fish Kept and Released (Piece)		2022	2023	2024	2025	Average
Chinook	Kept	232,969	236,616	285,462	239,445	248,623
	Released	419,160	363,768	408,741	368,990	390,165
Chum	Kept	11,133	2,513	9,000	1,314	5,990
	Released	87,408	14,399	37,330	262	34,850
Coho	Kept	172,772	220,445	224,137	235,437	213,198
	Released	128,564	266,106	337,171	316,627	262,117
Pink	Kept	15,630	129,961	17,608	105,126	67,081
	Released	9,738	143,719	26,541	122,183	75,545
Sockeye	Kept	23,534	39,906	42,625	49,354	38,855
	Released	4,659	3,748	3,840	6,323	4,643

Source: PSC Annual Reports, multiple years.

4.2 Recreational Activity and Expenditures

There are a variety of methods by which anglers can enjoy recreational fishing, including, but not limited to:

- For-hire: hired boat with a guide or charter
- Private: fishing from your own boat with or without a hired guide
- Shore-based: land-based fishing while on the shoreline instead of a boat

Expenditures for these trips include monies paid to a lodge or outfitter for accommodation and food, purchase of durable goods and investments, and expenditure on goods and services incurred during the fishing trip. Table 4.2 provides a summary of salmon-related expenditures by trip type and year, for both freshwater and tidal fisheries.

Table 4.2: Recreational Sector Expenditures by Trip Type, 2022-2025
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Salmon Angling Expenditures $000		2022	2023	2024*	2025	Average
Freshwater	- For-Hire	$9,747	$8,796	$6,537	$8,531	$8,403
	- Private	$24,136	$23,475	$17,774	$30,013	$23,849
	- Shore-based	$38,993	$36,686	$36,409	$66,891	$44,745
	- All	**$72,875**	**$68,956**	**$60,720**	**$105,435**	**$76,997**
Tidal Water	- For-Hire	$108,442	$106,098	$107,635	$108,366	$107,635
	- Private	$277,977	$271,440	$284,022	$302,648	$284,022
	- Shore-based	$12,502	$11,714	$11,856	$11,351	$11,856
	- All	**$398,921**	**$389,253**	**$403,513**	**$422,365**	**$403,513**
Total	- For-Hire	$118,188	$114,894	$114,172	$116,897	$116,038

	- Private	$302,113	$294,915	$301,796	$332,661	$307,871
	- Shore-based	$51,495	$48,400	$48,265	$78,242	$56,600
	- All	**$471,796**	**$458,209**	**$464,233**	**$527,800**	**$480,510**

*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO Internet Socioeconomic Analysis (iSEA) Recreational Surveys, multiple years.

Expenditures in the recreational fishing sector overall have been consistent year to year, averaging nearly $481 million, with tidal salmon fishing accounting for 84% of total expenses and freshwater salmon fishing accounting for 16%. In the freshwater recreational fishing sector, the majority (58%) of expenditures are attributable to shore-based fishing, while in the tidal recreational sector, fishers spend the most (70%) on private boat fishing (i.e., fishing from their own boats).

In terms of species, the majority of total recreational expenses on average were attributable to fishing for Chinook (50%), followed by coho (36%), pink or chum (10%), and sockeye (4%). The small percentage of expenses on sockeye is due to the number of openings rather than a lack of interest in catching sockeye. Chinook and coho account for 90% of expenses in tidal water fishing and nearly two-thirds (63%) in freshwater fishing, while pink, chum and sockeye make up a larger share of expenditures in freshwater than in tidal water fishing.

Table 4.3: Recreational Sector Expenditures by Species, 2022-2025
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Salmon Angling Expenditures $000		2022	2023	2024*	2025	Average
Freshwater	- Chinook	$20,410	$16,846	$14,993	$22,004	$18,563
	- Coho	$28,029	$26,548	$25,101	$40,317	$29,998
	- Pink or Chum	$13,452	$17,380	$13,389	$26,916	$17,784
	- Sockeye	$10,984	$8,183	$7,237	$16,198	$10,651
	All	**$72,875**	**$68,956**	**$60,720**	**$105,435**	**$76,997**
Tidal Water	- Chinook	$227,588	$210,482	$220,213	$222,569	$220,213
	- Coho	$136,912	$135,702	$144,653	$161,346	$144,653
	- Pink or Chum	$23,132	$33,258	$28,266	$28,409	$28,266
	- Sockeye	$11,289	$9,811	$10,380	$10,041	$10,380
	All	**$398,921**	**$389,253**	**$403,513**	**$422,365**	**$403,513**
Total	- Chinook	$247,997	$227,328	$235,207	$244,573	$238,776
	- Coho	$164,941	$162,249	$169,754	$201,662	$174,652
	- Pink or Chum	$36,584	$50,638	$41,655	$55,325	$46,051
	- Sockeye	$22,273	$17,993	$17,618	$26,239	$21,031
	All	**$471,796**	**$458,209**	**$464,233**	**$527,800**	**$480,510**

*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO Internet Socioeconomic Analysis (iSEA) Recreational Surveys, multiple years.

Recreational fishing is less dependent on the availability of salmon year to year compared to the commercial fishing industry. Anglers can enjoy the overall experience that recreational fishing provides, including travel, lodging, chartering, and other fishery and non-fishery related expenses. This is evident

as expenditures not only remain consistent year to year overall, but also consistent across species, for both freshwater and tidal fishing.

4.3 Recreational Economic Contributions

Table 4.4 summarizes economic contributions to regional GDP, labour income, and employment for the recreational salmon sector, including both tidal and freshwater activities. On average, roughly two-thirds of total expenditures by recreational fishers are attributed to private trip (64%), followed by hired boat (24%) and shore-based (12%) fishing. Economic contributions from these expenditures to regional GDP, labour income, and employment followed the same trend.

Table 4.4: Recreational Salmon Sector Economic Contributions, 2022-2025
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Total Expenditure by Recreational Fishers $000	Total Economic Impact		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employment
2022				
- For-Hire	$118,188	$65,500	$43,942	665
- Private	$302,113	$167,431	$112,326	1,700
- Shore-based	$51,495	$28,539	$19,146	290
All	**$471,796**	**$261,470**	**$175,414**	**2,655**
2023				
- For-Hire	$114,894	$63,674	$42,718	647
- Private	$294,915	$163,442	$109,649	1,660
- Shore-based	$48,400	$26,823	$17,995	272
All	**$458,209**	**$253,939**	**$170,362**	**2,579**
2024*				
- For-Hire	$114,172	$63,274	$42,449	643
- Private	$301,796	$167,255	$112,208	1,699
- Shore-based	$48,265	$26,748	$17,945	272
All	**$464,233**	**$257,278**	**$172,602**	**2,613**
2025				
- For-Hire	$116,897	$64,785	$43,462	658
- Private	$332,661	$184,361	$123,683	1,872
- Shore-based	$78,242	$43,361	$29,090	440
All	**$527,800**	**$292,507**	**$196,236**	**2,970**
Average				

- For-Hire	$116,038	$64,308	$43,143	653
- Private	$307,871	$170,622	$114,467	1,733
- Shore-based	$56,600	$31,368	$21,044	319
All	**$480,510**	**$266,298**	**$178,653**	**2,704**

Source: DFO iSEA Recreational Surveys, multiple years; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition).

Please refer to Appendix B.1 for the total economic contribution breakdown by direct, indirect, and induced contributions.

5 Methodology and Data

This report analyzes the domestic total commercial value and total expenditures associated with recreational fishing, accounting for all spending incurred along the value chain. Commercial fishing activity includes harvesting, processing, handling, wholesaling, retailing, restaurants and export industries. Recreational fishing activity includes fishing and any related expenses such as accommodation, transportation, meals, boat and fuel, equipment, and guides. This approach includes all expenditure and activity in both industries to the end consumer.

5.1 Data Sources

Commercial marine harvest data is sourced from logbooks submitted by commercial harvesters as a requirement of the Fisheries Act. Additional commercial harvest data is sourced from the Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) Annual Reports (e.g. economic opportunity (EO), demonstration (DEMO), excess salmon to spawning requirement (ESSR), Five Nations Community Based Economic Fisheries, Harvest Agreement (HA) fisheries, test fisheries and transboundary rivers). Sale slips are used to convert fish caught (pieces) into a standardized weight (pounds) and assign a price (dollars per pound) estimate by matching several key variables between the logbook and sale slip data. The prices are supplemented and adjusted using results from the DFO Price Survey. The DFO Price Survey improves upon the price information for commercial seafood harvest by collecting price data from BC-based processors and buyers which includes bonus and other payments missing from sale slips.

The Annual Fisheries Production Schedule (AFPS) is administered by the Province of British Columbia and collects data from seafood buyers, processors, and exporters on the wholesale value of seafood by species. Data on imports and exports are from Statistics Canada EXIM data.

Recreational catch data is sourced from aggregated results as presented in the Annual Reports commissioned by the PSC. Expenditure information is sourced from the Internet Socioeconomic Analysis (iSEA) Surveys that are administered by DFO Pacific Region and collect socioeconomic information on both tidal and freshwater recreational fishing activity in British Columbia. Throughout this report, recreational fishing expenditures refer to the sum of direct expenditures, major purchases attributable to fishing, and package expenditures. Additional information on the survey data and methods is available online: https://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/analyses-econom-analysis/fisheries-peches/rec/tidal-maree-2023-eng.html.

Provincial Supply-Use Tables are generated by Statistics Canada and show the relationship between different sectors of the economy, for example, harvesting, processing, and retailing. They show the mix of inputs used by each sector, allowing for the creation of multipliers to understand the economic contributions of various activities to the provincial economy.

Data Quick Guide

Commercial Logbooks – Marine commercial harvest piece count

Fish Slips – Average weight per piece by species, average dollar per pound by species

DFO Price Survey – Price adjustments including bonus payments

Annual Fisheries Production Schedule – Wholesale value by species

Internet Socio-Economic Analysis (iSEA) – Recreational fishing (freshwater and tidal) expenditure data by salmon species

Unless otherwise noted, all dollar-values are reported in CAD 2025 constant dollars. For US dollar (USD) estimates presented in the appendices, annual average exchange rates from the Bank of Canada were applied to the nominal annual estimates to convert from Canadian to US dollars. US Bureau of Economic Analysis Price Index for GDP was used to convert these nominal USD estimates into USD 2025 constant dollars.

5.2 Final-Use Methodology

This report extends analysis beyond wholesale value (WSV) to capture additional value added within British Columbia, to better reflect the full domestic commercial value of BC's wild harvested salmon. A species-specific wholesale value is estimated by applying a wholesale value margin to the landed value, which is derived from logbooks, sales slips, and the DFO Price Survey. From there, the method allocates WSV to four final-use sectors—Household Food Expenditures (HFE), Accommodation and Food Services (AFS), International Exports (INEX), and Interprovincial Exports (IPEX) based on their relative shares in the provincial Supply Use Tables.

For each final-use sector, value-added margins from the Supply Use Tables are applied to estimate economic indicators occurring beyond the wholesale stage (e.g., GDP, income, employment).

Once each sector's output is estimated, the results are aggregated to determine the total provincial value added from BC's salmon harvest, including domestic consumption and the BC-based components of export activity. The incremental value above WSV is then paired with the relevant economic multipliers to estimate resulting GDP, labour income, and employment contributions. This framework provides a repeatable approach for estimating provincial final use value. Limitations include that it relies on simplified sector shares for BC seafood, and on the assumption that salmon flow to final use sectors in similar proportions to average seafood in BC.



5.3 Economic Contribution Measures

Expenditures in commercial and recreational fisheries have various impacts throughout the economy. There are impacts as a result of the initial expenditures, as well as effects felt downstream in other industries. An economic contribution analysis captures these effects using the initial expenditures/revenues that occur in the respective industry. These contributions include:

- Direct economic impact: measures the impact of the actual expenditures made by establishments operating in the sector.
- Indirect economic impact: measures the economic activity of industries supplying goods and services used by sector (commercial and recreational). This is also referred to as "supplier industry impact."
- Induced economic impact: measures the impact on the economy of spending by workers employed as a result of the sector's activity.

The sum of the direct, indirect, and induced economic impacts is the total contribution of the activity to the economy.

5.4 Input-Output (IO) Multipliers

An Input-Output (IO) model is used to estimate economic contributions of a sector and generate multipliers. This report uses multipliers from British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector 2022 Edition, developed by Lillian Hallin Consulting. The economic indicators in this report include:

- Output: total value of all goods and services produced in a specific time period.
- Gross Domestic Product (GDP): value added to the economy by labour and capital used in current productive activities.
- Income: wages, salaries, and benefits earned from productive activities.
- Employment: count of full-time equivalent jobs generated as a result of output in a particular sector.

Output multipliers were used to estimate the indirect and induced contributions of commercial and recreational salmon fishing. Direct output estimates come from primary data sources (commercial landings and sales data, AFPS data net of commercial harvest revenues, surveys of recreational fishing expenditures). Direct, indirect, and induced GDP, income, and employment contributions are the result of applying these multipliers.

For commercial fishing, multipliers are taken from the "Capture Fishery" table on p.71, BC Stats. (2022). "British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector, 2022 Edition", with the exception of the direct marine employment estimates, which are based on an average number of 2.65 crew per troll vessel, 4.5 crew per seine vessel, and 1.66 crew per gill net vessel. The number of crew per type of vessel was taken from the results of DFO's 2025 Costs and Earnings survey which includes commercial and communal commercial vessels. For commercial seafood processing, multipliers are taken from the "Fish and Seafood Processing" table on p.71, BC Stats. (2022). "British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector, 2022 Edition".

For recreational fishing, multipliers are taken from the Sport fishing impacts table on p.72, BC Stats. (2022). “British Columbia’s Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector, 2022 Edition”.

More information about the multipliers used in this report can be found here: British Columbia’s fisheries and aquaculture sector 2022 Edition

5.5 Additional Resources

More information on the commercial and recreational fishing industries can be found on DFO’s Pacific Region economics website: Fisheries economic analyses, reports and profiles | Pacific Region | Fisheries and Oceans Canada. This webpage contains reports, infographics, and summary documents providing detailed information on the different industries for both commercial and recreational fishing.

6 Appendix

A: Commercial Salmon Sector

Appendix A.1: Commercial Sector Catch and Value - British Columbia Salmon Fishery (All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

2022					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine	13,450	88,918	x	376,390	566,310
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	16,984	6,573	573	106,644	691,949
Troll (Area F,G,H)	84,298	4,505	105,269	88,594	15,838
Other*	123,095	73,314	74,558	367,783	643,201
Total	**237,827**	**173,310**	**180,400**	**939,411**	**1,917,298**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,408	1,007	549	1,641	3,926
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$12,619	$5,018	$3,279	$1,476	$24,530
Wholesale $000	$15,900	$11,239	$6,000	$5,623	$35,078
Retail $000	$20,372	$14,400	$7,688	$7,204	$44,943
2023					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	12,005	46,075	x	1,224,522	167,962
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	16,227	3,027	59	149,241	286,379
Troll (Area F,G,H)	74,087	x	120,262	172,161	645
Other*	156,297	31,371	68,730	644,217	108,212
Total	**258,616**	**80,473**	**189,051**	**2,190,141**	**563,198**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,522	472	532	3,726	1,206
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$13,840	$1,074	$2,680	$2,145	$6,724
Wholesale $000	$17,439	$2,405	$4,904	$8,173	$9,616
Retail $000	$22,343	$3,081	$6,283	$10,471	$12,320
2024					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	7,927	330,531	x	1,317,805	175,011
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	22,147	122,919	68	90,690	264,580
Troll (Area F,G,H)	100,430	37,565	90,797	87,912	359
Other*	102,017	98,681	74,122	746,932	380,095
Total	**232,521**	**589,696**	**164,987**	**2,243,339**	**820,045**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,402	1,920	436	3,986	1,726

Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$15,464	$5,737	$1,930	$3,099	$9,525
Wholesale $000	$19,484	$12,850	$3,532	$11,806	$13,621
Retail $000	$24,964	$16,465	$4,525	$15,126	$17,452
2025					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	11,436	266,306	x	1,804,869	262,617
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	24,270	77,225	x	189,628	298,259
Troll (Area F,G,H)	100,447	4,606	52,421	38,825	4,237
Other*	145,034	54,286	48,101	172,963	433,862
Total	**281,187**	**402,423**	**100,522**	**2,206,285**	**998,975**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,632	1,501	355	3,951	2,029
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$18,552	$4,513	$1,880	$2,900	$13,965
Wholesale $000	$23,375	$10,110	$3,440	$11,049	$19,970
Retail $000	$29,950	$12,954	$4,407	$14,156	$25,586
Average					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	11,205	182,958	113	1,180,897	292,975
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	19,907	52,436	178	134,051	385,292
Troll (Area F,G,H)	89,815	11,673	92,187	96,873	5,270
Other*	131,611	64,413	66,378	482,974	391,343
Total	**252,537**	**311,479**	**158,856**	**1,894,794**	**1,074,879**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,491	1,225	468	3,326	2,222
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$15,119	$4,085	$2,442	$2,405	$13,686
Wholesale $000	$19,050	$9,151	$4,469	$9,163	$19,571
Retail $000	$24,407	$11,725	$5,726	$11,739	$25,075

Note: “x” means data is suppressed due to fewer than 5 vessels reporting

*Other includes commercial harvest in fisheries other than Licence Areas A-H: Five Nations CBEF, economic opportunity (EO), demonstration (DEMO), excess salmon to spawning requirement (ESSR), Harvest Agreement (HA) fisheries, test fisheries and transboundary rivers.

Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports (ESSR, CBEF, EO, demo fisheries, test fisheries and transboundary rivers).

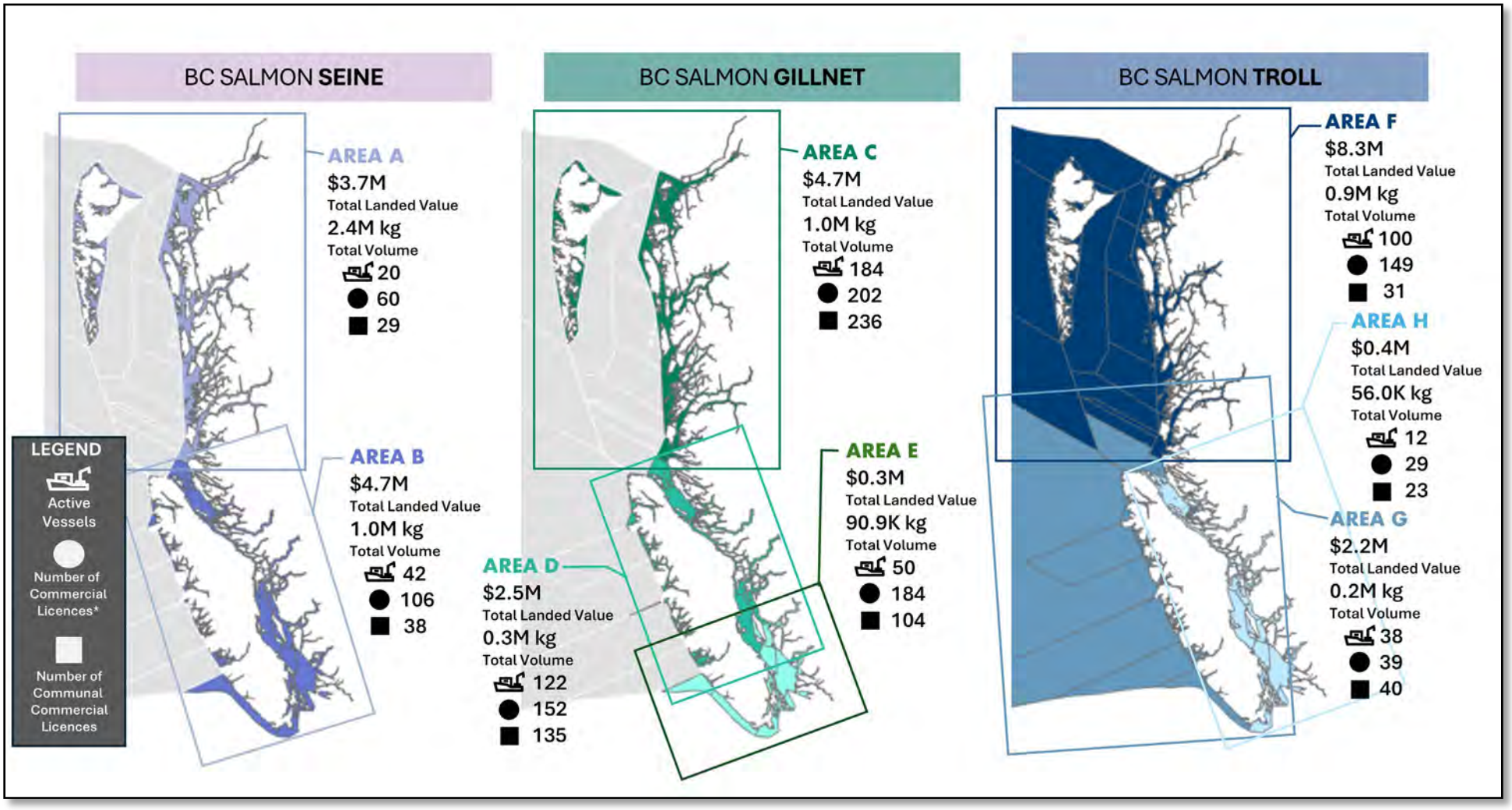
Appendix A.2: Commercial and Communal-Commercial ("F") Landed Volume and Value, Average 2022-2025 (All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Communal commercial licences ("F") are party-based licences held by First Nations and issued through the ATP/PICFI programs (Allocation Transfer Program/Pacific Integrated Commercial Fisheries Initiative).

	2022-2025 Annual Average					
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	**Licence Type**	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	F	2	97	<1	256	33
	Non-F	58	606	<1	1,809	538
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	F	31	53	<1	65	172
	Non-F	77	148	1	159	650
Troll (Area F,G,H)	F	50	6	20	7	2
	Non-F	526	33	236	177	14
Other*		747	284	210	852	811
Total		**1,492**	**1,227**	**467**	**3,326**	**2,222**
Ex-Vessel Value $000	**Licence Type**	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	F	$21	$355	$<1	$216	$227
	Non-F	$520	$1,853	$2	$1,323	$3,956
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	F	$298	$113	$<1	$25	$1,237
	Non-F	$769	$357	$6	$90	$4,699
Troll (Area F,G,H)	F	$715	$41	$154	$21	$23
	Non-F	$7,395	$186	$1,831	$451	$120
Other*		$5,406	$1,191	$450	$278	$3,423
Total		**$15,124**	**$4,096**	**$2,442**	**$2,405**	**$13,686**

Note: Marine harvest from License Areas A-H can be labelled as "F" - communal commercial, and "non-F". Communal commercial licences ("F") are party-based licences held by First Nations and issued through the ATP/PICFI programs (Allocation Transfer Program/Pacific Integrated Commercial Fisheries Initiative). There are other fisheries that occur outside licence areas A-H. These are listed under "Other" and include: economic opportunity (EO), demonstration (DEMO), excess salmon to spawning requirement (ESSR), Five Nations CBEF, Harvest Agreement (HA), test fisheries, and transboundary rivers.
Note: data in Table A.2 may not equal data in Table A.1 due to licence matching and rounding.
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Licence data; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports (ESSR, CBEF, EO, demo, test fisheries and transboundary rivers).

Appendix A.3: British Columbia commercial marine landed value and volume by gear type and licence area, 2022-2025 average
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)



*The number of commercial licences held by individuals from First Nations is unknown.

Appendix A.4: Commercial Salmon Economic Contribution by Sector – British Columbia (All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Direct Output of the sector $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
2022													
Fishing	$46,921	$25,028	$16,314	1,171	$6,353	$4,077	54	$2,614	$1,910	17	$33,994	$22,302	1,242
Processing	$26,919	$5,747	$3,968	88	$6,703	$4,003	51	$1,362	$996	9	$13,812	$8,967	148
Retail and Trade	$20,767	$11,094	$8,448	222	$4,721	$2,466	34	$5,261	$1,824	33	$21,076	$12,737	290
Total	**$94,607**	**$41,869**	**$28,730**	**1,481**	**$17,777**	**$10,546**	**140**	**$9,236**	**$4,729**	**59**	**$68,883**	**$44,006**	**1,680**
2023													
Fishing	$26,463	$14,115	$9,201	995	$3,583	$2,300	30	$1,474	$1,077	9	$19,172	$12,578	1,035
Processing	$16,073	$3,432	$2,369	52	$4,002	$2,390	31	$813	$595	5	$8,247	$5,354	88
Retail and Trade	$11,963	$6,391	$4,867	128	$2,720	$1,420	20	$3,030	$1,050	19	$12,141	$7,337	167
Total	**$54,499**	**$23,938**	**$16,437**	**1,175**	**$10,305**	**$6,110**	**81**	**$5,318**	**$2,722**	**34**	**$39,561**	**$25,269**	**1,290**
2024													
Fishing	$35,754	$19,071	$12,432	945	$4,841	$3,107	41	$1,992	$1,455	13	$25,904	$16,994	999
Processing	$25,539	$5,453	$3,764	83	$6,359	$3,798	49	$1,292	$945	8	$13,104	$8,507	140
Retail and Trade	$17,238	$9,209	$7,012	184	$3,919	$2,047	29	$4,367	$1,514	28	$17,495	$10,573	241
Total	**$78,531**	**$33,733**	**$23,209**	**1,213**	**$15,119**	**$8,951**	**118**	**$7,650**	**$3,914**	**49**	**$56,503**	**$36,074**	**1,380**
2025													
Fishing	$41,810	$22,301	$14,537	1,079	$5,661	$3,633	48	$2,329	$1,702	15	$30,291	$19,872	1,142
Processing	$26,134	$5,580	$3,852	85	$6,507	$3,886	50	$1,322	$967	8	$13,409	$8,705	144
Retail and Trade	$19,109	$10,208	$7,773	204	$4,344	$2,269	32	$4,841	$1,678	31	$19,393	$11,720	267
Total	**$87,053**	**$38,089**	**$26,163**	**1,368**	**$16,513**	**$9,788**	**130**	**$8,492**	**$4,347**	**54**	**$63,094**	**$40,298**	**1,552**
Average													
Fishing	$37,737	$20,129	$13,121	1,048	$5,110	$3,279	43	$2,102	$1,536	13	$27,341	$17,936	1,104
Processing	$23,666	$5,053	$3,488	77	$5,893	$3,519	45	$1,198	$876	8	$12,143	$7,883	130
Retail and Trade	$17,269	$9,226	$7,025	185	$3,926	$2,050	29	$4,375	$1,516	28	$17,526	$10,592	241
Total	**$78,673**	**$34,407**	**$23,635**	**1,310**	**$14,929**	**$8,849**	**117**	**$7,674**	**$3,928**	**49**	**$57,010**	**$36,412**	**1,476**

Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and use tables (2022).

Appendix A.5: Commercial Salmon Economic Contribution by Species - British Columbia (All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Commercial Fishing Contributions (2022-2025 Avg)	Total Output $000	Direct Output by Sector $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
			GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
Chinook	$24,407													
Fishing		$15,119	$8,064	$5,257	600	$2,047	$1,314	17	$842	$615	5	$10,954	$7,186	623
Processing		$3,931	$839	$579	13	$979	$585	8	$199	$145	1	$2,017	$1,309	22
Retail		$3,382	$2,182	$1,792	52	$637	$334	5	$1,025	$354	7	$3,845	$2,480	63
Trade		$1,976	$680	$387	6	$581	$302	4	$332	$117	2	$1,593	$806	12
Chinook Total	**$24,407**	**$24,407**	**$11,766**	**$8,016**	**670**	**$4,244**	**$2,534**	**34**	**$2,398**	**$1,231**	**15**	**$18,408**	**$11,781**	**719**
Chum	$11,725													
Fishing		$4,085	$2,179	$1,420	352	$553	$355	5	$228	$166	1	$2,960	$1,942	358
Processing		$5,066	$1,082	$747	17	$1,261	$753	10	$256	$187	2	$2,599	$1,687	28
Retail		$1,624	$1,048	$861	25	$306	$160	2	$492	$170	3	$1,847	$1,191	30
Trade		$949	$327	$186	3	$279	$145	2	$159	$56	1	$765	$387	6
Chum Total	**$11,725**	**$11,725**	**$4,636**	**$3,214**	**396**	**$2,400**	**$1,414**	**19**	**$1,136**	**$580**	**7**	**$8,171**	**$5,208**	**422**
Coho	$5,726													
Fishing		$2,442	$1,303	$849	287	$331	$212	3	$136	$99	1	$1,769	$1,161	291
Processing		$2,027	$433	$299	7	$505	$301	4	$103	$75	1	$1,040	$675	11
Retail		$793	$512	$420	12	$149	$78	1	$241	$83	2	$902	$582	15
Trade		$464	$159	$91	1	$136	$71	1	$78	$27	0	$374	$189	3
Coho Total	**$5,726**	**$5,726**	**$2,407**	**$1,659**	**307**	**$1,121**	**$663**	**9**	**$557**	**$285**	**4**	**$4,085**	**$2,607**	**319**
Pink	$11,739													
Fishing		$2,405	$1,283	$836	599	$326	$209	3	$134	$98	1	$1,742	$1,143	603
Processing		$6,758	$1,443	$996	22	$1,683	$1,005	13	$342	$250	2	$3,467	$2,251	37
Retail		$1,627	$1,050	$862	25	$306	$161	2	$493	$170	3	$1,849	$1,193	30
Trade		$950	$327	$186	3	$279	$145	2	$160	$56	1	$766	$388	6
Pink Total	**$11,739**	**$11,739**	**$4,102**	**$2,881**	**649**	**$2,594**	**$1,520**	**20**	**$1,129**	**$574**	**7**	**$7,825**	**$4,975**	**676**

Sockeye	$25,075													
Fishing		$13,686	$7,300	$4,759	648	$1,853	$1,189	16	$762	$557	5	$9,916	$6,505	669
Processing		$5,885	$1,256	$867	19	$1,465	$875	11	$298	$218	2	$3,020	$1,960	32
Retail		$3,474	$2,242	$1,841	53	$655	$343	5	$1,053	$364	7	$3,950	$2,548	65
Trade		$2,030	$698	$398	6	$597	$311	4	$341	$120	2	$1,636	$828	12
Sockeye Total	**$25,075**	**$25,075**	**$11,497**	**$7,865**	**726**	**$4,570**	**$2,718**	**36**	**$2,454**	**$1,258**	**16**	**$18,521**	**$11,841**	**778**
Total	**$78,673**	**$78,673**	**$34,407**	**$23,635**	**1,310**	**$14,929**	**$8,849**	**117**	**$7,674**	**$3,928**	**49**	**$57,010**	**$36,412**	**1,476**

Note: Table shows 2022-2025 average. Direct fishing employment for the commercial sector is calculated using active vessels by gear type and average crew per vessel for each species. Since a vessel can fish multiple species, there will be some double counting of employment at the species level.

Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and use tables (2022).

B: Recreational Salmon Fishing

Appendix B.1: Recreational Salmon Economic Contribution by Trip Type, Freshwater and Tidal - British Columbia (All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Total Expenditure by Recreational Fishers $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
2022													
- For-Hire	$118,188	$41,484	$27,561	482	$15,955	$10,495	132	$8,060	$5,886	52	$65,500	$43,942	665
- Private	$302,113	$106,042	$70,453	1,232	$40,785	$26,828	337	$20,604	$15,045	132	$167,431	$112,326	1,700
- Shore-based	$51,495	$18,075	$12,009	210	$6,952	$4,573	57	$3,512	$2,564	22	$28,539	$19,146	290
All	**$471,796**	**$165,601**	**$110,023**	**1,924**	**$63,693**	**$41,896**	**526**	**$32,177**	**$23,495**	**206**	**$261,470**	**$175,414**	**2,655**
2023													
- For-Hire	$114,894	$40,328	$26,793	468	$15,511	$10,203	128	$7,836	$5,722	50	$63,674	$42,718	647
- Private	$294,915	$103,515	$68,774	1,202	$39,814	$26,188	329	$20,113	$14,687	129	$163,442	$109,649	1,660
- Shore-based	$48,400	$16,988	$11,287	197	$6,534	$4,298	54	$3,301	$2,410	21	$26,823	$17,995	272
All	**$458,209**	**$160,831**	**$106,854**	**1,868**	**$61,858**	**$40,689**	**510**	**$31,250**	**$22,819**	**200**	**$253,939**	**$170,362**	**2,579**
2024*													
- For-Hire	$114,172	$40,074	$26,625	466	$15,413	$10,138	127	$7,787	$5,686	50	$63,274	$42,449	643
- Private	$301,796	$105,930	$70,379	1,231	$40,742	$26,800	336	$20,583	$15,029	132	$167,255	$112,208	1,699
- Shore-based	$48,265	$16,941	$11,255	197	$6,516	$4,286	54	$3,292	$2,404	21	$26,748	$17,945	272
All	**$464,233**	**$162,946**	**$108,259**	**1,893**	**$62,671**	**$41,224**	**517**	**$31,661**	**$23,119**	**203**	**$257,278**	**$172,602**	**2,613**
2025													
- For-Hire	$116,897	$41,031	$27,260	477	$15,781	$10,380	130	$7,972	$5,821	51	$64,785	$43,462	658
- Private	$332,661	$116,764	$77,577	1,356	$44,909	$29,540	371	$22,687	$16,567	145	$184,361	$123,683	1,872
- Shore-based	$78,242	$27,463	$18,246	319	$10,563	$6,948	87	$5,336	$3,896	34	$43,361	$29,090	440
All	**$527,800**	**$185,258**	**$123,083**	**2,152**	**$71,253**	**$46,869**	**588**	**$35,996**	**$26,284**	**230**	**$292,507**	**$196,236**	**2,970**
Average													
- For-Hire	$116,038	$40,729	$27,060	473	$15,665	$10,304	129	$7,914	$5,779	51	$64,308	$43,143	653
- Private	$307,871	$108,063	$71,796	1,255	$41,563	$27,339	343	$20,997	$15,332	134	$170,622	$114,467	1,733
- Shore-based	$56,600	$19,867	$13,199	231	$7,641	$5,026	63	$3,860	$2,819	25	$31,368	$21,044	319
All	**$480,510**	**$168,659**	**$112,055**	**1,959**	**$64,869**	**$42,669**	**535**	**$32,771**	**$23,929**	**210**	**$266,298**	**$178,653**	**2,704**

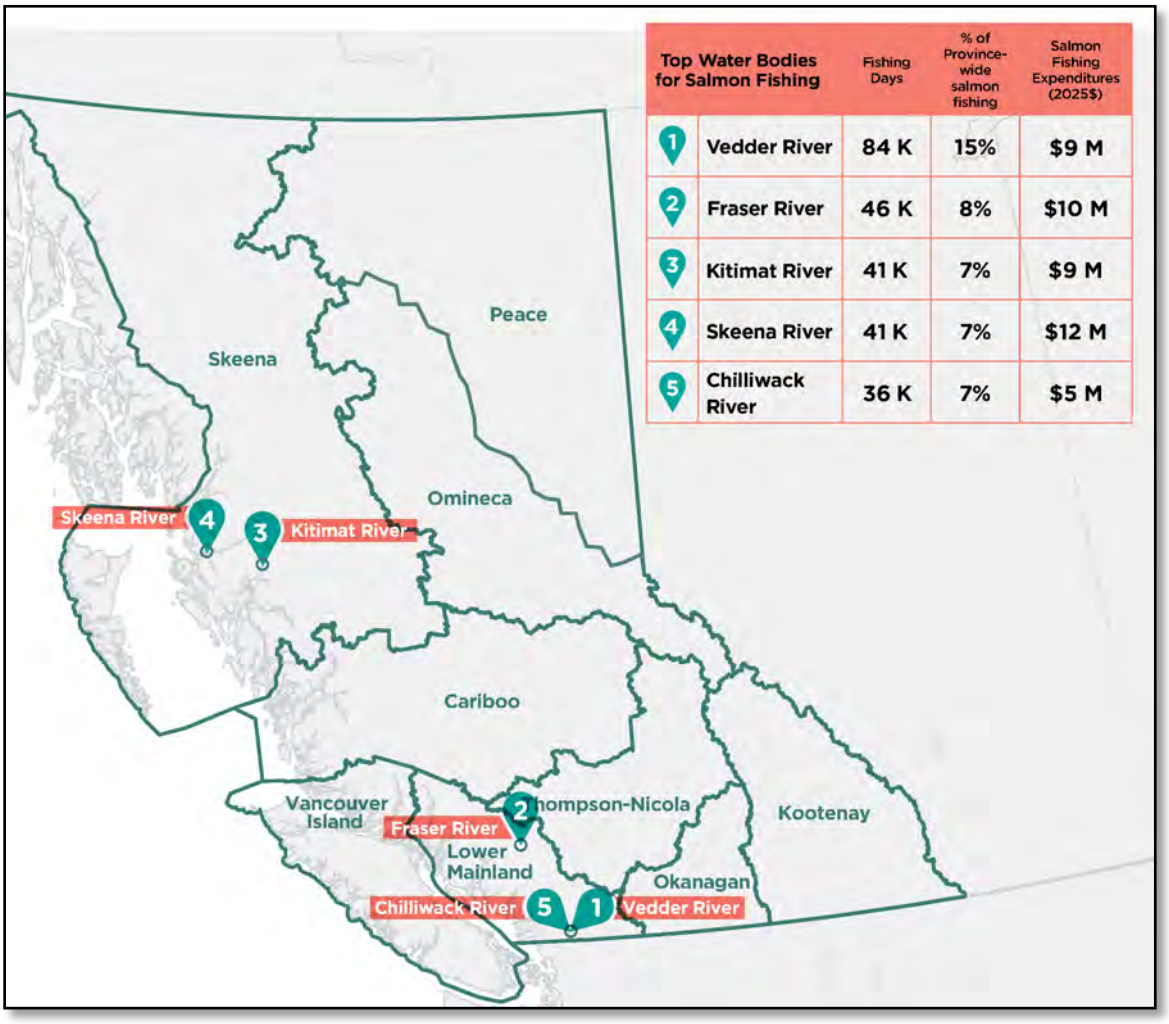
*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO iSEA Recreational Surveys, multiple years; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition).

Appendix B.2: Recreational Salmon Economic Contribution by Species - British Columbia (All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Recreational Fishing Contributions (2022-2025 Avg)	Total Expenditure by Recreational Fishers $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
Freshwater													
Chinook	$18,563	$6,516	$4,329	76	$2,506	$1,648	21	$1,266	$924	8	$10,288	$6,902	104
Coho	$29,998	$10,529	$6,996	122	$4,050	$2,664	33	$2,046	$1,494	13	$16,625	$11,153	169
Pink or Chum	$17,784	$6,242	$4,147	73	$2,401	$1,579	20	$1,213	$886	8	$9,856	$6,612	100
Sockeye	$10,651	$3,738	$2,484	43	$1,438	$946	12	$726	$530	5	$5,903	$3,960	60
Total	**$76,997**	**$27,026**	**$17,956**	**314**	**$10,395**	**$6,837**	**86**	**$5,251**	**$3,834**	**34**	**$42,672**	**$28,627**	**433**
Tidal Water													
Chinook	$220,213	$77,295	$51,354	898	$29,729	$19,555	245	$15,019	$10,967	96	$122,042	$81,875	1,239
Coho	$144,653	$50,773	$33,733	590	$19,528	$12,845	161	$9,865	$7,204	63	$80,167	$53,782	814
Pink or Chum	$28,266	$9,921	$6,592	115	$3,816	$2,510	31	$1,928	$1,408	12	$15,665	$10,509	159
Sockeye	$10,380	$3,644	$2,421	42	$1,401	$922	12	$708	$517	5	$5,753	$3,859	58
Total	**$403,513**	**$141,633**	**$94,099**	**1,645**	**$54,474**	**$35,832**	**450**	**$27,520**	**$20,095**	**176**	**$223,627**	**$150,026**	**2,271**
Total													
Chinook	$238,776	$83,810	$55,683	974	$32,235	$21,203	266	$16,285	$11,891	104	$132,330	$88,777	1,344
Coho	$174,652	$61,303	$40,729	712	$23,578	$15,509	195	$11,911	$8,698	76	$96,792	$64,936	983
Pink or Chum	$46,051	$16,164	$10,739	188	$6,217	$4,089	51	$3,141	$2,293	20	$25,521	$17,122	259
Sockeye	$21,031	$7,382	$4,904	86	$2,839	$1,868	23	$1,434	$1,047	9	$11,655	$7,819	118
Total	**$480,510**	**$168,659**	**$112,055**	**1,959**	**$64,869**	**$42,669**	**535**	**$32,771**	**$23,929**	**210**	**$266,298**	**$178,653**	**2,704**

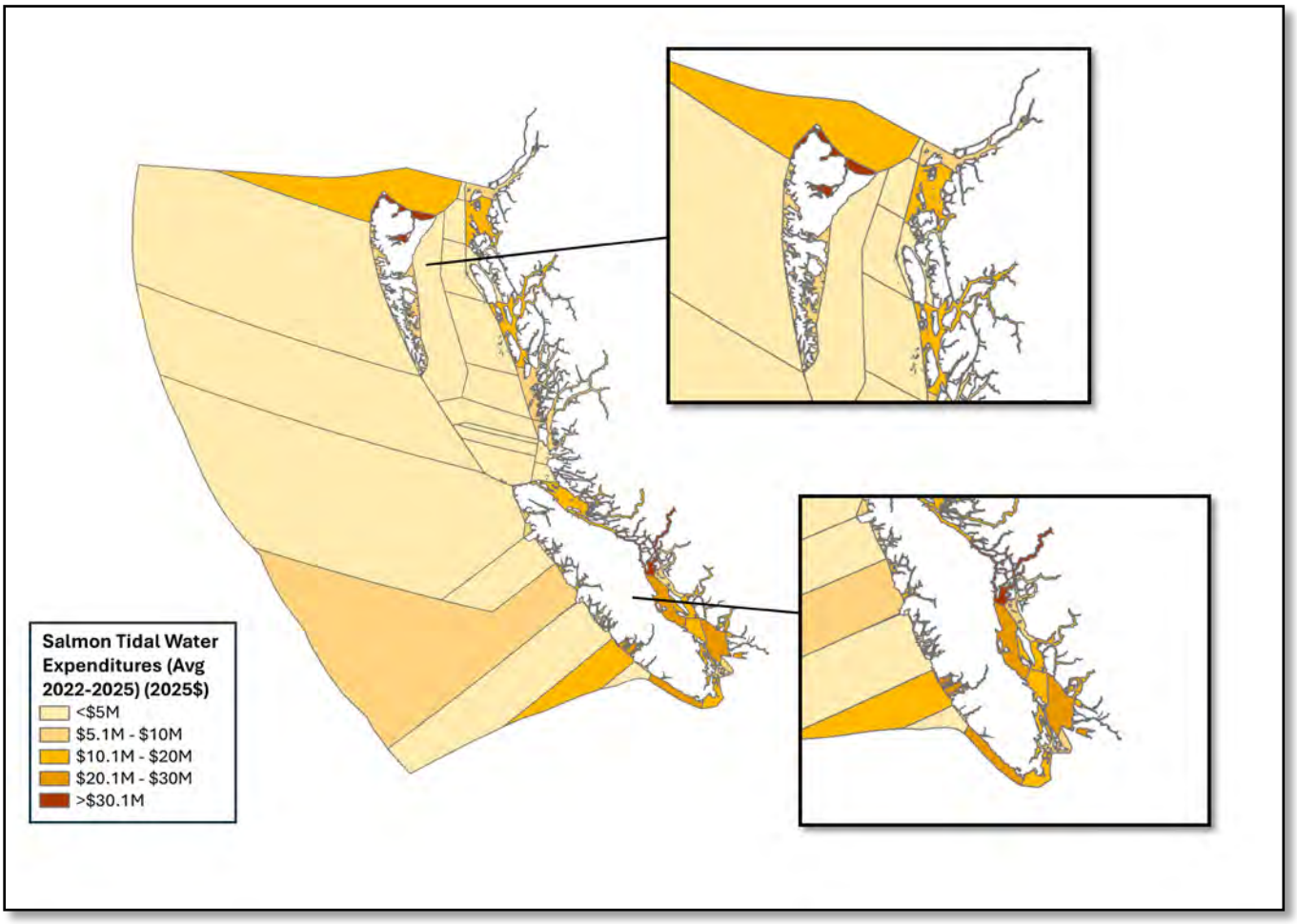
*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO iSEA Recreational Surveys, multiple years; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition).

Figure B.1: Top Water Bodies for Freshwater Salmon Fishing, 2025
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)



Source: iSEA Freshwater Recreational Fishing Survey, 2025.

Figure B.2: Salmon Expenditures by PFMA for Tidal Water Fishing (Avg 2022-2025)
(All Values in CAD 2025 Constant Dollars)



Source: iSEA Tidal Recreational Fishing Survey, 2022, 2023 and 2025. 2024 annual expenditures estimated as average of 2022, 2023 and 2025.

C: Tables Expressed in USD 2025 Constant Dollars

Appendix C.1: Commercial Sector Catch and Value Chain - British Columbia Salmon Fishery (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Fish Caught (Pieces)	2022	2023	2024	2025	Average
Chinook	237,827	258,616	232,521	281,187	252,537
Chum	173,310	80,487	589,696	402,423	311,479
Coho	180,444	189,299	165,143	100,538	158,856
Pink	939,411	2,190,141	2,243,339	2,206,285	1,894,794
Sockeye	1,917,298	563,198	820,045	998,975	1,074,879
Total	**3,448,289**	**3,281,741**	**4,050,744**	**3,989,408**	**3,692,545**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	1,408	1,522	1,402	1,632	1,491
Chum	1,007	472	1,920	1,501	1,225
Coho	549	532	436	355	468
Pink	1,641	3,726	3,986	3,951	3,326
Sockeye	3,926	1,206	1,726	2,029	2,222
Total	**8,530**	**7,458**	**9,470**	**9,467**	**8,731**
Ex-Vessel Values $000	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	$9,903	$10,258	$11,323	$13,272	$11,189
Chum	$3,938	$796	$4,201	$3,229	$3,041
Coho	$2,573	$1,986	$1,413	$1,345	$1,829
Pink	$1,158	$1,590	$2,269	$2,075	$1,773
Sockeye	$19,251	$4,984	$6,975	$9,991	$10,300
Total	**$36,823**	**$19,613**	**$26,181**	**$29,911**	**$28,132**
Wholesale Value $000	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	$12,478	$12,925	$14,267	$16,723	$14,098
Chum	$8,821	$1,782	$9,410	$7,233	$6,811
Coho	$4,709	$3,635	$2,586	$2,461	$3,348
Pink	$4,413	$6,057	$8,645	$7,905	$6,755
Sockeye	$27,528	$7,127	$9,974	$14,287	$14,729
Total	**$57,949**	**$31,526**	**$44,881**	**$48,608**	**$45,741**
Retail Value $000	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Chinook	$15,988	$16,560	$18,280	$21,426	$18,063
Chum	$11,301	$2,284	$12,056	$9,267	$8,727
Coho	$6,033	$4,657	$3,314	$3,153	$4,289
Pink	$5,654	$7,761	$11,076	$10,128	$8,655
Sockeye	$35,270	$9,131	$12,779	$18,305	$18,871
Total	**$74,246**	**$40,392**	**$57,504**	**$62,279**	**$58,605**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Table 3.1 (page 8).
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips (commercial and communal commercial harvest); DFO Price Survey data; Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) Annual Reports (ESSR, CBEF, EO, demo, test fisheries, and transboundary rivers), Annual Fisheries Production Schedule (wholesale value), Statistics Canada Supply Use Tables (retail value).

Appendix C.2: Commercial Salmon Economic Contributions (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Direct					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
Output $000	$74,246	$40,392	$57,504	$62,279	$58,605
GDP $000	$32,858	$17,742	$24,701	$27,250	$25,638
Labour Income $000	$22,547	$12,182	$16,994	$18,717	$17,610
Employment	1,481	1,175	1,213	1,368	1,310
Indirect					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
GDP $000	$13,951	$7,638	$11,071	$11,814	$11,118
Labour Income $000	$8,276	$4,529	$6,555	$7,003	$6,590
Employment	140	81	118	130	117
Induced					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
GDP $000	$7,248	$3,941	$5,602	$6,075	$5,717
Labour Income $000	$3,711	$2,018	$2,866	$3,110	$2,926
Employment	59	34	49	54	49
Total					
	2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**Average**
GDP $000	$54,058	$29,321	$41,374	$45,138	$42,473
Labour Income $000	$34,535	$18,728	$26,415	$28,829	$27,127
Employment	1,680	1,290	1,380	1,552	1,476

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Table 3.2 (page 11).
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition).

Appendix C.3: Commercial Salmon Economic Contributions by Sector (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Direct Output of the sector $000	Total Economic Contribution		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employment
2022				
Fishing	$36,823	$26,678	$17,502	1,242
Processing	$21,126	$10,840	$7,037	148
Retail and Trade	$16,298	$16,540	$9,996	290
Total	**$74,246**	**$54,058**	**$34,535**	**1,680**
2023				
Fishing	$19,613	$14,210	$9,322	1,035
Processing	$11,913	$6,112	$3,968	88
Retail and Trade	$8,866	$8,998	$5,438	167
Total	**$40,392**	**$29,321**	**$18,728**	**1,290**
2024				
Fishing	$26,181	$18,968	$12,444	999
Processing	$18,701	$9,595	$6,229	140
Retail and Trade	$12,622	$12,810	$7,742	241
Total	**$57,504**	**$41,374**	**$26,415**	**1,380**
2025				
Fishing	$29,911	$21,671	$14,217	1,142
Processing	$18,697	$9,593	$6,228	144
Retail and Trade	$13,671	$13,874	$8,385	267
Total	**$62,279**	**$45,138**	**$28,829**	**1,552**
Average				
Fishing	$28,132	$20,382	$13,371	1,104
Processing	$17,609	$9,035	$5,866	130
Retail and Trade	$12,864	$13,056	$7,890	241
Total	**$58,605**	**$42,473**	**$27,127**	**1,476**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Table 3.3 (page 13).
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and Use Tables (2022).

Appendix C.4: Recreational Sector Expenditures by Trip Type, 2022-2025
(All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Salmon Angling Expenditures $000		2022	2023	2024*	2025	Average
Freshwater	- For-Hire	$7,649	$6,519	$4,786	$6,103	$6,264
	- Private	$18,941	$17,398	$13,015	$21,471	$17,707
	- Shore-based	$30,601	$27,190	$26,660	$47,854	$33,076
	- All	**$57,191**	**$51,107**	**$44,462**	**$75,429**	**$57,047**
Tidal Water	- For-Hire	$85,103	$78,635	$78,815	$77,526	$80,020
	- Private	$218,152	$201,179	$207,972	$216,518	$210,955
	- Shore-based	$9,811	$8,682	$8,681	$8,120	$8,824
	- All	**$313,067**	**$288,497**	**$295,468**	**$302,164**	**$299,799**
Total	- For-Hire	$92,752	$85,154	$83,601	$83,630	$86,284
	- Private	$237,094	$218,578	$220,987	$237,989	$228,662
	- Shore-based	$40,413	$35,872	$35,341	$55,975	$41,900
	- All	**$370,259**	**$339,604**	**$339,930**	**$377,593**	**$356,846**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Table 4.2 (page 15).
*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO Internet Socioeconomic Analysis (iSEA) Recreational Surveys, multiple years.

Appendix C.5: Recreational Expenditures by Species, 2022-2025
(All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Salmon Angling Expenditures $000		2022	2023	2024*	2025	Average
Freshwater	- Chinook	$16,017	$12,485	$10,979	$15,742	$13,806
	- Coho	$21,997	$19,676	$18,380	$28,843	$22,224
	- Pink or Chum	$10,557	$12,881	$9,804	$19,256	$13,125
	- Sockeye	$8,620	$6,065	$5,299	$11,588	$7,893
	All	**$57,191**	**$51,107**	**$44,462**	**$75,429**	**$57,047**
Tidal Water	- Chinook	$178,607	$156,000	$161,249	$159,228	$163,771
	- Coho	$107,447	$100,576	$105,921	$115,428	$107,343
	- Pink or Chum	$18,154	$24,650	$20,698	$20,324	$20,956
	- Sockeye	$8,859	$7,271	$7,601	$7,184	$7,729
	All	**$313,067**	**$288,497**	**$295,468**	**$302,164**	**$299,799**
Total	- Chinook	$194,624	$168,485	$172,227	$174,970	$177,577
	- Coho	$129,443	$120,252	$124,300	$144,271	$129,567
	- Pink or Chum	$28,711	$37,531	$30,502	$39,580	$34,081
	- Sockeye	$17,480	$13,336	$12,900	$18,772	$15,622
	All	**$370,259**	**$339,604**	**$339,930**	**$377,593**	**$356,846**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Table 4.3 (page 16).
*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO iSEA Recreational Surveys, multiple years.

Appendix C.6: Recreational Salmon Sector Economic Contributions, 2022-2025 (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Total Expenditure by Recreational Fishers $000	Total Economic Impact		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employment
2022				
- For-Hire	$92,752	$51,403	$34,485	665
- Private	$237,094	$131,397	$88,151	1,700
- Shore-based	$40,413	$22,397	$15,025	290
All	**$370,259**	**$205,197**	**$137,662**	**2,655**
2023				
- For-Hire	$85,154	$47,192	$31,660	647
- Private	$218,578	$121,136	$81,267	1,660
- Shore-based	$35,872	$19,880	$13,337	272
All	**$339,604**	**$188,208**	**$126,265**	**2,579**
2024*				
- For-Hire	$83,601	$46,332	$31,083	643
- Private	$220,987	$122,471	$82,163	1,699
- Shore-based	$35,341	$19,586	$13,140	272
All	**$339,930**	**$188,389**	**$126,386**	**2,613**
2025				
- For-Hire	$83,630	$46,347	$31,093	658
- Private	$237,989	$131,893	$88,484	1,872
- Shore-based	$55,975	$31,021	$20,811	440
All	**$377,593**	**$209,262**	**$140,389**	**2,970**
Average				
- For-Hire	$86,284	$47,819	$32,081	653
- Private	$228,662	$126,724	$85,016	1,733
- Shore-based	$41,900	$23,221	$15,578	319
All	**$356,846**	**$197,764**	**$132,675**	**2,704**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Table 4.4 (page 17).
*Tidal water survey results are available for 2022–2023 and 2025. The 2024 tidal water expenditure is estimated using the average of the 2022, 2023, and 2025 figures.
Source: DFO iSEA Recreational Surveys, multiple years; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition)

Appendix C.7: Commercial Sector Catch and Value - British Columbia Salmon Fishery (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

2022					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	13,450	88,918	x	376,390	566,310
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	16,984	6,573	573	106,644	691,949
Troll (Area F,G,H)	84,298	4,505	105,269	88,594	15,838
Other*	123,095	73,314	74,558	367,783	643,201
Total	**237,827**	**173,310**	**180,400**	**939,411**	**1,917,298**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,408	1,007	549	1,641	3,926
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$9,903	$3,938	$2,573	$1,158	$19,251
Wholesale $000	$12,478	$8,821	$4,709	$4,413	$27,528
Retail $000	$15,988	$11,301	$6,033	$5,654	$35,270
2023					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	12,005	46,075	x	1,224,522	167,962
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	16,227	3,027	59	149,241	286,379
Troll (Area F,G,H)	74,087	x	120,262	172,161	645
Other*	156,297	31,371	68,730	644,217	108,212
Total	**258,616**	**80,473**	**189,051**	**2,190,141**	**563,198**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,522	472	532	3,726	1,206
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$10,258	$796	$1,986	$1,590	$4,984
Wholesale $000	$12,925	$1,782	$3,635	$6,057	$7,127
Retail $000	$16,560	$2,284	$4,657	$7,761	$9,131
2024					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	7,927	330,531	x	1,317,805	175,011
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	22,147	122,919	68	90,690	264,580
Troll (Area F,G,H)	100,430	37,565	90,797	87,912	359
Other*	102,017	98,681	74,122	746,932	380,095
Total	**232,521**	**589,696**	**164,987**	**2,243,339**	**820,045**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,402	1,920	436	3,986	1,726
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$11,323	$4,201	$1,413	$2,269	$6,975
Wholesale $000	$14,267	$9,410	$2,586	$8,645	$9,974

Retail $000	$18,280	$12,056	$3,314	$11,076	$12,779
2025					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	11,436	266,306	x	1,804,869	262,617
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	24,270	77,225	x	189,628	298,259
Troll (Area F,G,H)	100,447	4,606	52,421	38,825	4,237
Other*	145,034	54,286	48,101	172,963	433,862
Total	**281,187**	**402,423**	**100,522**	**2,206,285**	**998,975**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,632	1,501	355	3,951	2,029
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$13,272	$3,229	$1,345	$2,075	$9,991
Wholesale $000	$16,723	$7,233	$2,461	$7,905	$14,287
Retail $000	$21,426	$9,267	$3,153	$10,128	$18,305
Average					
Fish Caught (Pieces)	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	11,205	182,958	113	1,180,897	292,975
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	19,907	52,436	178	134,051	385,292
Troll (Area F,G,H)	89,815	11,673	92,187	96,873	5,270
Other*	131,611	64,413	66,378	482,974	391,343
Total	**252,537**	**311,479**	**158,856**	**1,894,794**	**1,074,879**
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	1,491	1,225	468	3,326	2,222
Value					
Ex-Vessel $000	$11,189	$3,041	$1,829	$1,773	$10,300
Wholesale $000	$14,098	$6,811	$3,348	$6,755	$14,729
Retail $000	$18,063	$8,727	$4,289	$8,655	$18,871

Note: “x” means data is suppressed due to fewer than 5 vessels reporting. The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Appendix A.1 (page 23).

*Other includes First Nations commercial harvest in fisheries other than communal commercial fisheries, specifically Five Nations CBEF, economic opportunity (EO), demonstration (DEMO), excess salmon to spawning requirement (ESSR), Harvest Agreement (HA), test fisheries and transboundary rivers.

Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports (ESSR, CBEF, EO, demo, test fisheries, and transboundary rivers).

Appendix C.8: Commercial and Communal-Commercial ("F") Landed Volume and Value, Average 2022-2025 (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	2022-2025 Annual Average					
Weight Landed ('000 KG)	**Licence Type**	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	F	2	97	<1	256	33
	Non-F	58	606	<1	1,809	538
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	F	31	53	<1	65	172
	Non-F	77	148	1	159	650
Troll (Area F,G,H)	F	50	6	20	7	2
	Non-F	526	33	236	177	14
Other*		747	284	210	852	811
Total		**1,492**	**1,227**	**467**	**3,326**	**2,222**
Ex-Vessel Value $000	**Licence Type**	**Chinook**	**Chum**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Sockeye**
Seine (Area A, B)	F	$16	$268	$0	$157	$170
	Non-F	$388	$1,374	$2	$970	$2,989
Gillnet (Area C,D,E)	F	$218	$81	$0	$19	$910
	Non-F	$570	$261	$4	$67	$3,556
Troll (Area F,G,H)	F	$525	$30	$113	$15	$17
	Non-F	$5,476	$137	$1,375	$339	$93
Other*		$3,999	$897	$335	$206	$2,564
Total		**$11,193**	**$3,048**	**$1,830**	**$1,773**	**$10,300**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Appendix A.2 (page 25).
Marine harvest from License Areas A-H can be labelled as "F" - communal commercial, and "non-F". Communal commercial licences ("F") are party-based licences held by First Nations and issued through the ATP/PICFI programs (Allocation Transfer Program/Pacific Integrated Commercial Fisheries Initiative). There are other fisheries that occur outside licence areas A-H. These are listed under "Other" and include: economic opportunity (EO), demonstration (DEMO), excess salmon to spawning requirement (ESSR), Five Nations CBEF, Harvest Agreement (HA), test fisheries, and transboundary rivers.
Data in A.2 may not equal data in A.1 due to licence matching and rounding.
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Licence data; DFO Price Survey data; PSC Annual Reports (ESSR, CBEF, EO, demo, test fisheries and transboundary rivers).

Appendix C.9: Commercial Salmon Economic Contribution by Sector – British Columbia (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Direct Output of the sector $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
2022													
Fishing	$36,823	$19,641	$12,803	1,171	$4,986	$3,200	54	$2,051	$1,499	17	$26,678	$17,502	1,242
Processing	$21,126	$4,510	$3,114	88	$5,260	$3,141	51	$1,069	$782	9	$10,840	$7,037	148
Retail and Trade	$16,298	$8,707	$6,630	222	$3,705	$1,935	34	$4,128	$1,431	33	$16,540	$9,996	290
Total	**$74,246**	**$32,858**	**$22,547**	**1,481**	**$13,951**	**$8,276**	**140**	**$7,248**	**$3,711**	**59**	**$54,058**	**$34,535**	**1,680**
2023													
Fishing	$19,613	$10,462	$6,820	995	$2,656	$1,704	30	$1,092	$798	9	$14,210	$9,322	1,035
Processing	$11,913	$2,543	$1,756	52	$2,966	$1,771	31	$603	$441	5	$6,112	$3,968	88
Retail and Trade	$8,866	$4,737	$3,607	128	$2,016	$1,053	20	$2,246	$779	19	$8,998	$5,438	167
Total	**$40,392**	**$17,742**	**$12,182**	**1,175**	**$7,638**	**$4,529**	**81**	**$3,941**	**$2,018**	**34**	**$29,321**	**$18,728**	**1,290**
2024													
Fishing	$26,181	$13,965	$9,103	945	$3,545	$2,275	41	$1,458	$1,066	13	$18,968	$12,444	999
Processing	$18,701	$3,993	$2,756	83	$4,656	$2,781	49	$946	$692	8	$9,595	$6,229	140
Retail and Trade	$12,622	$6,743	$5,135	184	$2,870	$1,499	29	$3,197	$1,108	28	$12,810	$7,742	241
Total	**$57,504**	**$24,701**	**$16,994**	**1,213**	**$11,071**	**$6,555**	**118**	**$5,602**	**$2,866**	**49**	**$41,374**	**$26,415**	**1,380**
2025													
Fishing	$29,911	$15,955	$10,400	1,079	$4,050	$2,599	48	$1,666	$1,217	15	$21,671	$14,217	1,142
Processing	$18,697	$3,992	$2,756	85	$4,655	$2,780	50	$946	$692	8	$9,593	$6,228	144
Retail and Trade	$13,671	$7,303	$5,561	204	$3,108	$1,623	32	$3,463	$1,200	31	$13,874	$8,385	267
Total	**$62,279**	**$27,250**	**$18,717**	**1,368**	**$11,814**	**$7,003**	**130**	**$6,075**	**$3,110**	**54**	**$45,138**	**$28,829**	**1,552**
Average													
Fishing	$28,132	$15,006	$9,782	1,048	$3,809	$2,445	43	$1,567	$1,145	13	$20,382	$13,371	1,104
Processing	$17,609	$3,760	$2,596	77	$4,385	$2,618	45	$891	$652	8	$9,035	$5,866	130
Retail and Trade	$12,864	$6,872	$5,233	185	$2,925	$1,527	29	$3,259	$1,130	28	$13,056	$7,890	241
Total	**$58,605**	**$25,638**	**$17,610**	**1,310**	**$11,118**	**$6,590**	**117**	**$5,717**	**$2,926**	**49**	**$42,473**	**$27,127**	**1,476**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Appendix A.4 (page 27).

Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and use tables (2022).

Appendix C.10: Commercial Salmon Economic Contribution by Species – British Columbia (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Commercial Fishing Contributions (2022-2025 Avg)	Total Output $000	Direct Output by Sector $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
			GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
Chinook	$18,063													
Fishing		$11,189	$5,968	$3,890	600	$1,515	$972	17	$623	$455	5	$8,106	$5,318	623
Processing		$2,909	$621	$429	13	$724	$433	8	$147	$108	1	$1,493	$969	22
Retail		$2,503	$1,615	$1,326	52	$472	$247	5	$759	$262	7	$2,845	$1,835	63
Trade		$1,462	$503	$287	6	$430	$224	4	$246	$86	2	$1,179	$597	12
Chinook Total	**$18,063**	**$18,063**	**$8,708**	**$5,932**	**670**	**$3,141**	**$1,876**	**34**	**$1,775**	**$911**	**15**	**$13,623**	**$8,719**	**719**
Chum	$8,727													
Fishing		$3,041	$1,622	$1,057	352	$412	$264	5	$169	$124	1	$2,203	$1,445	358
Processing		$3,771	$805	$556	17	$939	$561	10	$191	$140	2	$1,935	$1,256	28
Retail		$1,209	$780	$641	25	$228	$119	2	$367	$127	3	$1,375	$887	30
Trade		$707	$243	$138	3	$208	$108	2	$119	$42	1	$569	$288	6
Chum Total	**$8,727**	**$8,727**	**$3,450**	**$2,392**	**396**	**$1,786**	**$1,052**	**19**	**$845**	**$431**	**7**	**$6,082**	**$3,876**	**422**
Coho	$4,289													
Fishing		$1,829	$976	$636	287	$248	$159	3	$102	$74	1	$1,325	$869	291
Processing		$1,518	$324	$224	7	$378	$226	4	$77	$56	1	$779	$506	11
Retail		$594	$384	$315	12	$112	$59	1	$180	$62	2	$676	$436	15
Trade		$347	$119	$68	1	$102	$53	1	$58	$20	0	$280	$142	3
Coho Total	**$4,289**	**$4,289**	**$1,803**	**$1,243**	**307**	**$840**	**$497**	**9**	**$417**	**$213**	**4**	**$3,060**	**$1,953**	**319**
Pink	$8,655													
Fishing		$1,773	$946	$616	599	$240	$154	3	$99	$72	1	$1,284	$843	603
Processing		$4,982	$1,064	$734	22	$1,240	$741	13	$252	$184	2	$2,556	$1,659	37
Retail		$1,199	$774	$635	25	$226	$118	2	$364	$125	3	$1,363	$879	30
Trade		$701	$241	$137	3	$206	$107	2	$118	$41	1	$565	$286	6
Pink Total	**$8,655**	**$8,655**	**$3,024**	**$2,124**	**649**	**$1,912**	**$1,120**	**20**	**$832**	**$423**	**7**	**$5,769**	**$3,667**	**676**

Sockeye	$18,871													
Fishing		$10,300	$5,494	$3,581	648	$1,395	$895	16	$574	$419	5	$7,462	$4,896	669
Processing		$4,429	$946	$653	19	$1,103	$659	11	$224	$164	2	$2,273	$1,475	32
Retail		$2,615	$1,687	$1,386	53	$493	$258	5	$793	$274	7	$2,973	$1,917	65
Trade		$1,528	$526	$299	6	$449	$234	4	$257	$90	2	$1,231	$623	12
Sockeye Total	**$18,871**	**$18,871**	**$8,653**	**$5,919**	**726**	**$3,439**	**$2,045**	**36**	**$1,847**	**$947**	**16**	**$13,939**	**$8,912**	**778**
Total	**$58,605**	**$58,605**	**$25,638**	**$17,610**	**1,310**	**$11,118**	**$6,590**	**117**	**$5,717**	**$2,926**	**49**	**$42,473**	**$27,127**	**1,476**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Appendix A.5 (page 28). Table shows 2022-2025 average. Direct fishing employment for the commercial sector is calculated using active vessels by gear type and average crew per vessel for each species. Since a vessel can fish multiple species, there will be some double counting of employment at the species level.
Source: Commercial logbooks and fish slips; DFO Price Survey data; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition); Statistics Canada Provincial Supply and use tables (2022).

Appendix C.11: Recreational Salmon Economic Contribution by Trip Type, Freshwater and Tidal (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

	Total Expenditure by Recreational Fishers $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
2022													
- For-Hire	$92,752	$32,556	$21,630	482	$12,522	$8,236	132	$6,326	$4,619	52	$51,403	$34,485	665
- Private	$237,094	$83,220	$55,290	1,232	$32,008	$21,054	337	$16,170	$11,807	132	$131,397	$88,151	1,700
- Shore-based	$40,413	$14,185	$9,424	210	$5,456	$3,589	57	$2,756	$2,013	22	$22,397	$15,025	290
All	**$370,259**	**$129,961**	**$86,344**	**1,924**	**$49,985**	**$32,879**	**526**	**$25,252**	**$18,439**	**206**	**$205,197**	**$137,662**	**2,655**
2023													
- For-Hire	$85,154	$29,889	$19,858	468	$11,496	$7,562	128	$5,808	$4,241	50	$47,192	$31,660	647
- Private	$218,578	$76,721	$50,972	1,202	$29,508	$19,410	329	$14,907	$10,885	129	$121,136	$81,267	1,660
- Shore-based	$35,872	$12,591	$8,365	197	$4,843	$3,185	54	$2,446	$1,786	21	$19,880	$13,337	272
All	**$339,604**	**$119,201**	**$79,196**	**1,868**	**$45,847**	**$30,157**	**510**	**$23,161**	**$16,912**	**200**	**$188,208**	**$126,265**	**2,579**
2024*													
- For-Hire	$83,601	$29,344	$19,496	466	$11,286	$7,424	127	$5,702	$4,163	50	$46,332	$31,083	643
- Private	$220,987	$77,566	$51,534	1,231	$29,833	$19,624	336	$15,071	$11,005	132	$122,471	$82,163	1,699
- Shore-based	$35,341	$12,405	$8,242	197	$4,771	$3,138	54	$2,410	$1,760	21	$19,586	$13,140	272
All	**$339,930**	**$119,315**	**$79,272**	**1,893**	**$45,891**	**$30,186**	**517**	**$23,183**	**$16,928**	**203**	**$188,389**	**$126,386**	**2,613**
2025													
- For-Hire	$83,630	$29,354	$19,502	477	$11,290	$7,426	130	$5,704	$4,165	51	$46,347	$31,093	658
- Private	$237,989	$83,534	$55,499	1,356	$32,129	$21,133	371	$16,231	$11,852	145	$131,893	$88,484	1,872
- Shore-based	$55,975	$19,647	$13,053	319	$7,557	$4,971	87	$3,817	$2,788	34	$31,021	$20,811	440
All	**$377,593**	**$132,535**	**$88,055**	**2,152**	**$50,975**	**$33,530**	**588**	**$25,752**	**$18,804**	**230**	**$209,262**	**$140,389**	**2,970**
Average													
- For-Hire	$86,284	$30,286	$20,122	473	$11,648	$7,662	129	$5,885	$4,297	51	$47,819	$32,081	653
- Private	$228,662	$80,260	$53,324	1,255	$30,869	$20,305	343	$15,595	$11,387	134	$126,724	$85,016	1,733
- Shore-based	$41,900	$14,707	$9,771	231	$5,657	$3,721	63	$2,858	$2,087	25	$23,221	$15,578	319
All	**$356,846**	**$125,253**	**$83,217**	**1,959**	**$48,174**	**$31,688**	**535**	**$24,337**	**$17,771**	**210**	**$197,764**	**$132,675**	**2,704**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Appendix B.1 (page 30).

Source: DFO iSEA Recreational Surveys, multiple years; British Columbia's Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (2022 edition).

Appendix C.12: Recreational Salmon Economic Contribution by Species - British Columbia (All Values in USD 2025 Constant Dollars)

Recreational Fishing Contributions (2022-2025 Avg)	Total Expenditure by Recreational Fishers $000	Direct			Indirect			Induced			Total		
		GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment	GDP $000	Labour Income $000	Employ-ment
Freshwater													
Chinook	$13,806	$4,846	$3,220	76	$1,864	$1,226	21	$942	$688	8	$7,651	$5,133	104
Coho	$22,224	$7,801	$5,183	122	$3,000	$1,973	33	$1,516	$1,107	13	$12,316	$8,263	169
Pink or Chum	$13,125	$4,607	$3,061	73	$1,772	$1,165	20	$895	$654	8	$7,274	$4,880	100
Sockeye	$7,893	$2,770	$1,841	43	$1,066	$701	12	$538	$393	5	$4,374	$2,935	60
Total	**$57,047**	**$20,024**	**$13,303**	**314**	**$7,701**	**$5,066**	**86**	**$3,891**	**$2,841**	**34**	**$31,616**	**$21,210**	**433**
Tidal Water													
Chinook	$163,771	$57,484	$38,191	898	$22,109	$14,543	245	$11,169	$8,156	96	$90,762	$60,890	1,239
Coho	$107,343	$37,677	$25,032	590	$14,491	$9,532	161	$7,321	$5,346	63	$59,489	$39,910	814
Pink or Chum	$20,956	$7,356	$4,887	115	$2,829	$1,861	31	$1,429	$1,044	12	$11,614	$7,792	159
Sockeye	$7,729	$2,713	$1,802	42	$1,043	$686	12	$527	$385	5	$4,283	$2,874	58
Total	**$299,799**	**$105,229**	**$69,913**	**1,645**	**$40,473**	**$26,622**	**450**	**$20,446**	**$14,930**	**176**	**$166,149**	**$111,465**	**2,271**
Total													
Chinook	$177,577	$62,329	$41,411	974	$23,973	$15,769	266	$12,111	$8,843	104	$98,413	$66,023	1,344
Coho	$129,567	$45,478	$30,215	712	$17,492	$11,506	195	$8,836	$6,452	76	$71,806	$48,173	983
Pink or Chum	$34,081	$11,962	$7,948	188	$4,601	$3,026	51	$2,324	$1,697	20	$18,888	$12,671	259
Sockeye	$15,622	$5,483	$3,643	86	$2,109	$1,387	23	$1,065	$778	9	$8,658	$5,808	118
Total	**$356,846**	**$125,253**	**$83,217**	**1,959**	**$48,174**	**$31,688**	**535**	**$24,337**	**$17,771**	**210**	**$197,764**	**$132,675**	**2,704**

Note: The corresponding table expressed in CAD 2025 constant dollars is presented in Appendix B.2 (page 31).
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