

Lower mainstem Kennebec:

This week’s report is going to be a short one. Current conditions on the Kennebec in Waterville is 20°C and 8,910 cfs. Current conditions are still high – above the 75th % (based on 37 years of data ([USGS current conditions](#))).

The Lockwood fishlift has just reopened yesterday August 29th after maintenance and repairs were complete. No Atlantic salmon were captured since the last report and 154 total captured at Lockwood for the 2023 season so far.

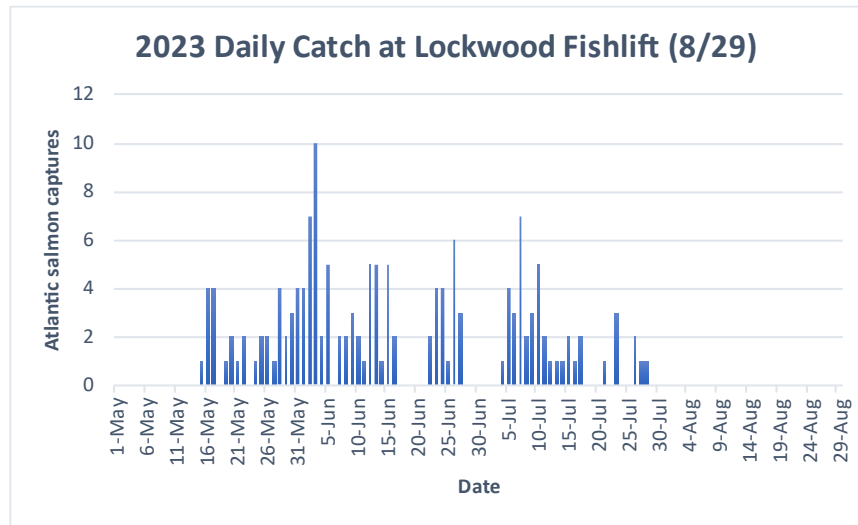


Figure 1: Daily Atlantic salmon catch at Lockwood fish lift, Waterville, ME. Daily catches for 8/10-8/29 each day were 0 new salmon/day and is averaging 0 salmon/day. The trap opened 5/8, was closed 6/18-6/21, 6/30-7/1 and 7/3 due to high flow conditions and 8/31-8/28 due to repairs and maintenance.

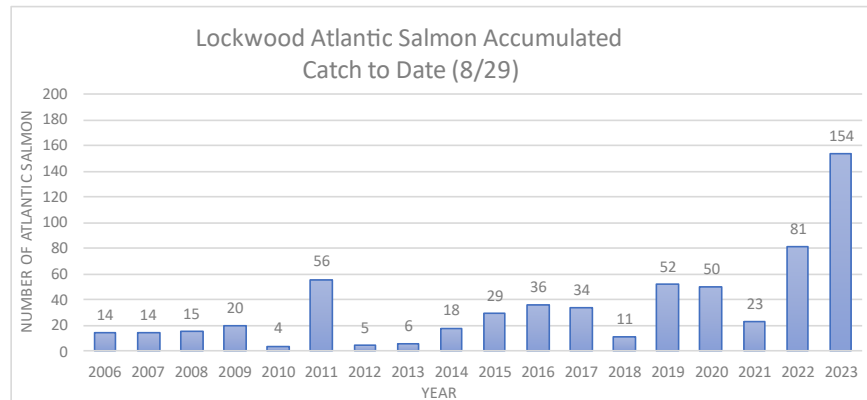


Figure 2: Atlantic salmon catch to date for each year since Lockwood fish lift (Waterville, ME) has been operational (2006).

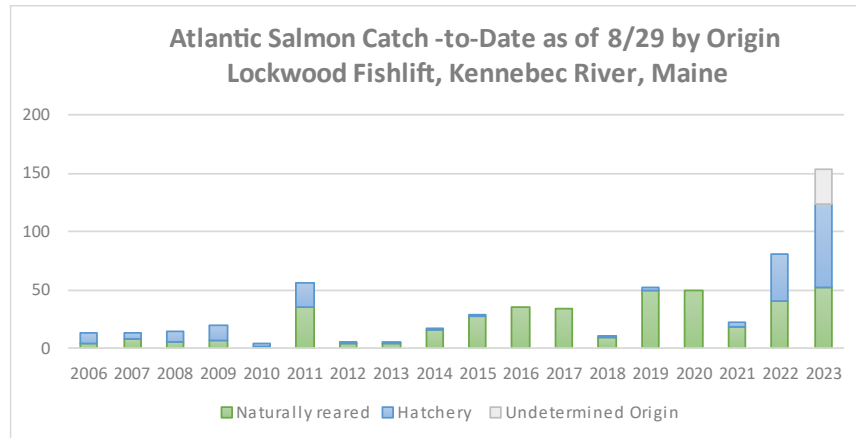


Figure 3: Atlantic salmon catch-to-date for each year by origin since Lockwood fish lift (Waterville, ME) has been operational (2006).

Lockwood fish lift (mainstem Kennebec) total catches for 2023:

- River herring: 136,717*
 - American shad: 4*
 - Sea Lamprey: 7*
 - Striped Bass: 91*
 - Atlantic Salmon: 154 new, 25 recaptures
- *Reported by Brookfield 8/28

Benton Falls (Sebasticook River) total catches for 2023 as of 6/21:

- River herring: 4,154,124
- American shad: 2
- Atlantic salmon: 3
- Sea Lamprey: 20
- Striped Bass: 0
- American eel: 21

Androscoggin River:

Currently the river discharge level is at 4,950 cfs, which is between the 75th and highest recorded discharge level (based on 94 years of data) ([USGS Water Data](#)).

No Atlantic salmon have passed since the last report.

Brunswick fish lift (mainstem Androscoggin) total catches for 2023:

- River herring: 67,927*
 - American shad: 13*
 - Sea Lamprey: 491*
 - Atlantic Salmon: 8*
 - Striped Bass: 0*
- *Reported by Brookfield 8/28/All data is preliminary until final auditing is complete.