

Salmon Tagging in Norway 1968

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Tagging of Salmon Smolts

12,984 artificially reared, and 3,121 wild salmon smolts were tagged and liberated in 16 rivers.

8,474 were released in rivers running out to the Oslo fjord and to the Skagerak coast, 1,184 were released in rivers in the Rogaland and Hordaland counties, 269 in rivers in the Sogn and Fjordane county, 6,177 in rivers in the Møre and Romsdal county and 1,000 in rivers in the Nord-Trøndelag county.

Tagging of Clean Salmon at the Coast

1,291 clean salmon were tagged at 5 locations at the west- and north coast of Norway. At Karmøy, near Stavanger, 245 salmon were tagged and 115 (46.9%) were recaptured, all in Norway.

At Nesje, near the mouth of the Sognefjord, 364 salmon were tagged and 137 (37.6%) were recaptured, all in Norway. At Tarva, near the mouth of the Trondheimsfjord, 365 salmon were tagged and 170 (46.6%) were recaptured, all in Norway. At Støtt, 60 km south of Bodø 95 salmon were tagged and 51 (53.7%) were recaptured, all in Norway. At Breivik, Sørøy in Finnmark, 222 salmon were tagged and 58 (26%) were recaptured, all in Norway.

Tagging of Spawned Salmon and Kelts

59 spawned salmon and 77 kelts were tagged in 3 rivers at the west coast of Norway.

Tagging of Salmon in International Waters

Off the Tromsø coast 238 salmon caught on long-lines were tagged, 22 were tagged at a distance from 5 to 30 n. miles offshore, 13 were tagged 55 miles offshore, 162 85 miles offshore, 23 120 miles and 18 140 miles offshore. 5 were recaptured, all in Norway.

Sea-Trout Tagging

283 sea-trout kelts and 1,117 sea-trout smolts were tagged in 4 rivers in the southern part of Norway.

Counting of Spawners

The number of salmon spawners were counted in 4 rivers in the inner part of the Sognefjord. In the Eira river the number of spawning beds were counted.

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