

# Bowerman et al., 2021: Chinook Temperature and Prespawn

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## Species Information

**Common Name:** Chinook Salmon  
**Latin Name:** tshawytscha  
**Genus:** Oncorhynchus

## Stressor Details

**Stressor Name:** Stream Temperature  
**Units:** °C  
**Metric:** Mean August Stream Temperature  
**Scale:** linear  
**Function Type:** continuous  
**Vital Rate/Process:** Pre-spawn Survivorship

## Life Stage & Context

**Life Stages:** Spawners  
**Geography:** Interior Columbia River Basin  
**Activity:** Spawning  
**Season:** Summer

## Descriptions

### Overview

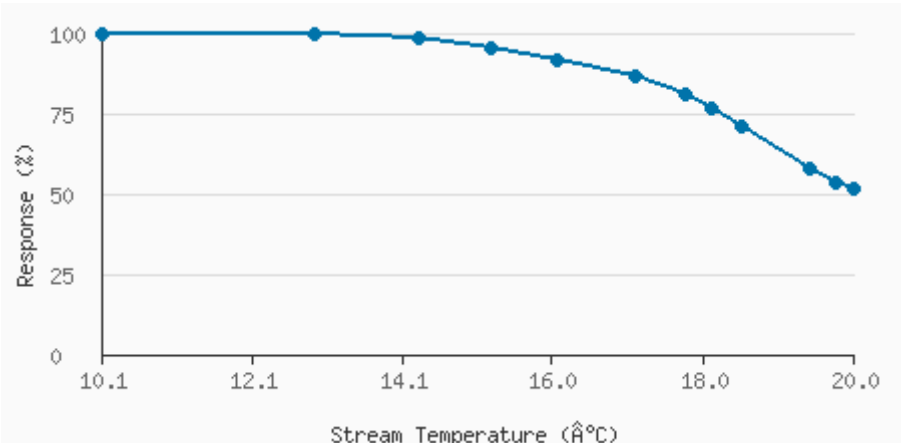
Predicted pre-spawn mortality. Composite curve across populations in the Interior Columbia River Basin. Model parameters included Day (of year), Fish Length, Origin (hatchery or wild) and Mean August Stream Temperature. Figure shows partial plot for stream temperature after accounting for other covariates.

Mortality rates from monitoring data (5 - 14 years across 49 stream reaches). Survey methods differed between programs, but authors used data filtering criteria.

This stressor response curve shows data for Natural Origin Chinook (excluded hatchery origin) and a mean value between the 5th and 95th percentile of fish length (generalized curve).

General Application Prespawn

## Stressor Response Data



Stressor (X)	Mean System Capacity (%)	SD	low.limit	up.limit
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10.1	100	0	100	100
12.91	100	0	100	100
14.27	98.45	2	85	98
15.22	95.34	3	85	95
16.09	91.71	6	75	95
17.11	86.53	10	60	95
17.79	80.83	15	33	93
18.11	76.68	20	33	93
18.52	70.98	20	33	93
19.42	58.03	20	20	85
19.76	53.37	20	20	80
19.98	51.81	20	15	80

## Citations

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Bowerman, T. E., Keefer, M. L., & Caudill, C. C. (2021). Elevated stream temperature, origin, and individual size influence Chinook salmon prespawn mortality across the Columbia River Basin. *Fisheries Research*, 237, 105874.

## References

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