



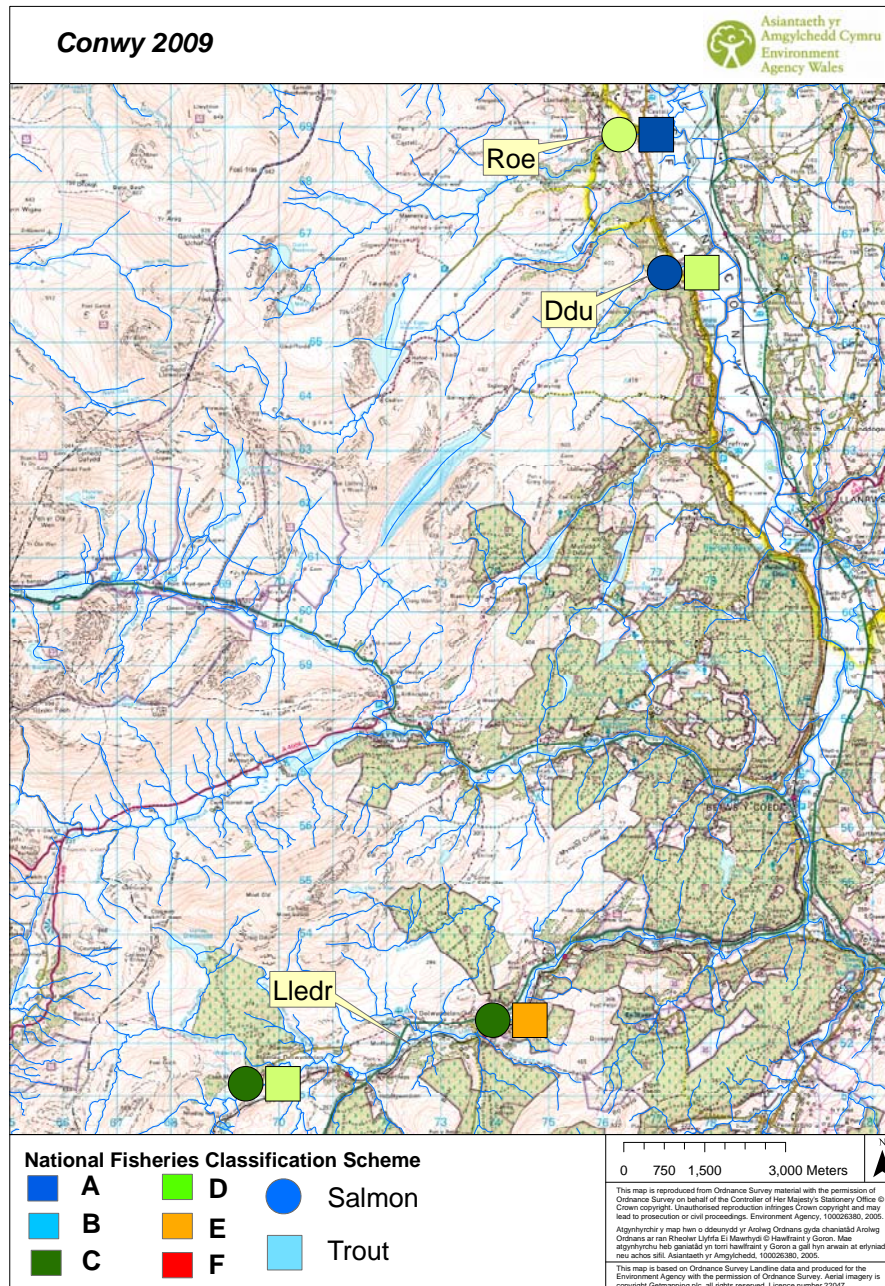
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2009 Conwy summary

The following is a summary of the fish stocks in the Conwy catchment for 2009.

Juvenile monitoring

The map shows a snapshot of the 2009 juvenile salmonid populations measured by electro-fishing surveys.



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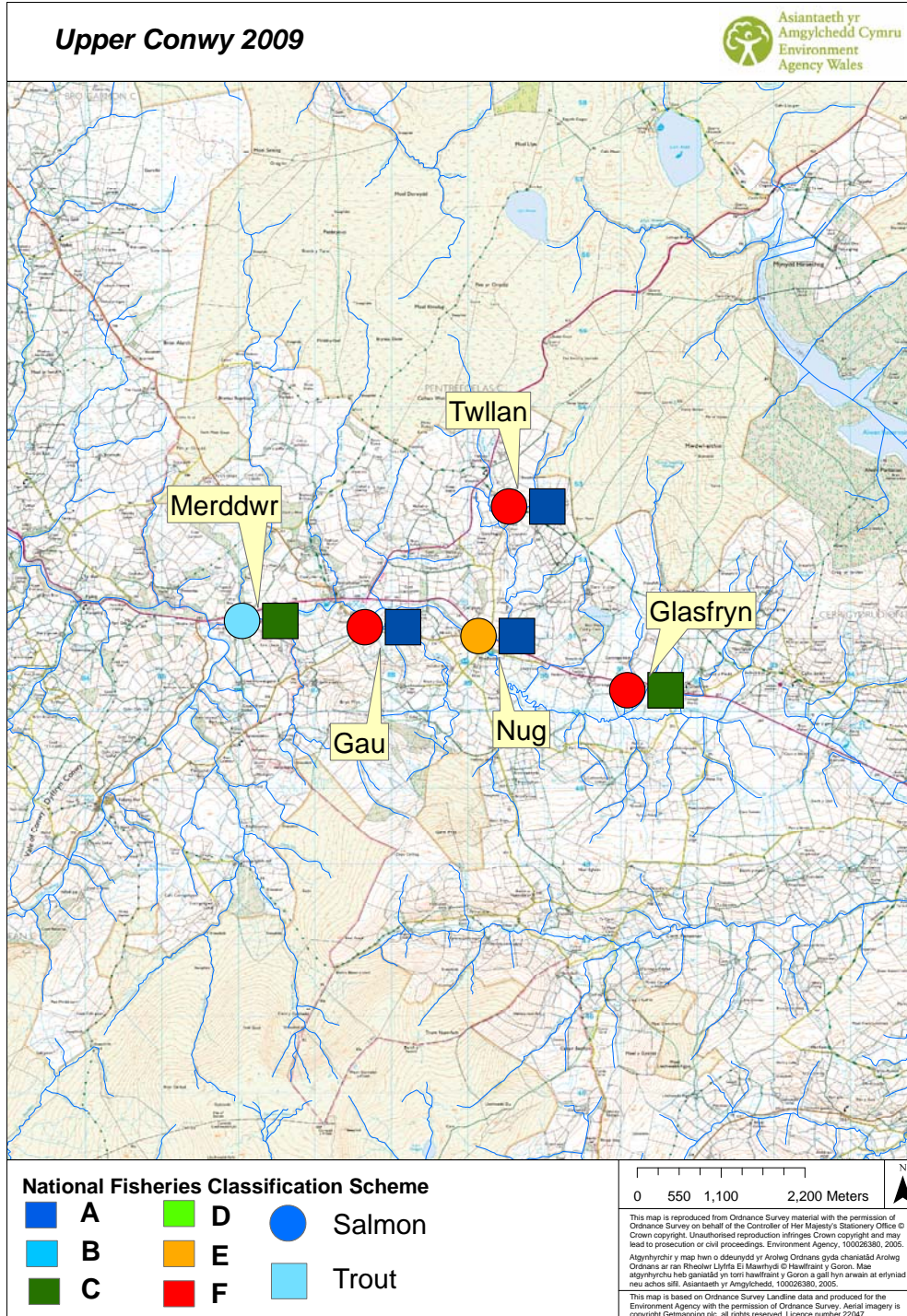
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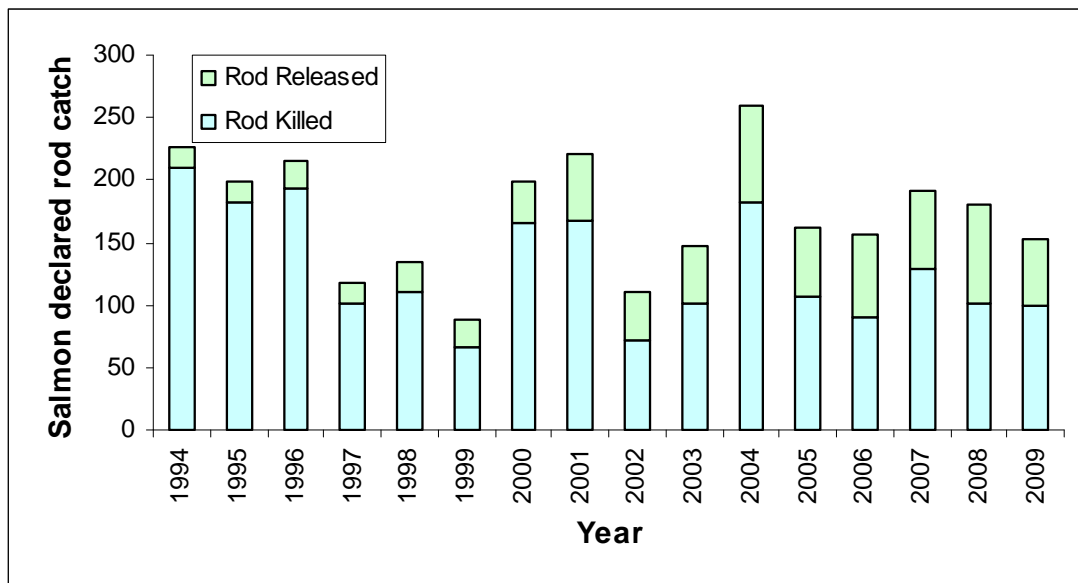
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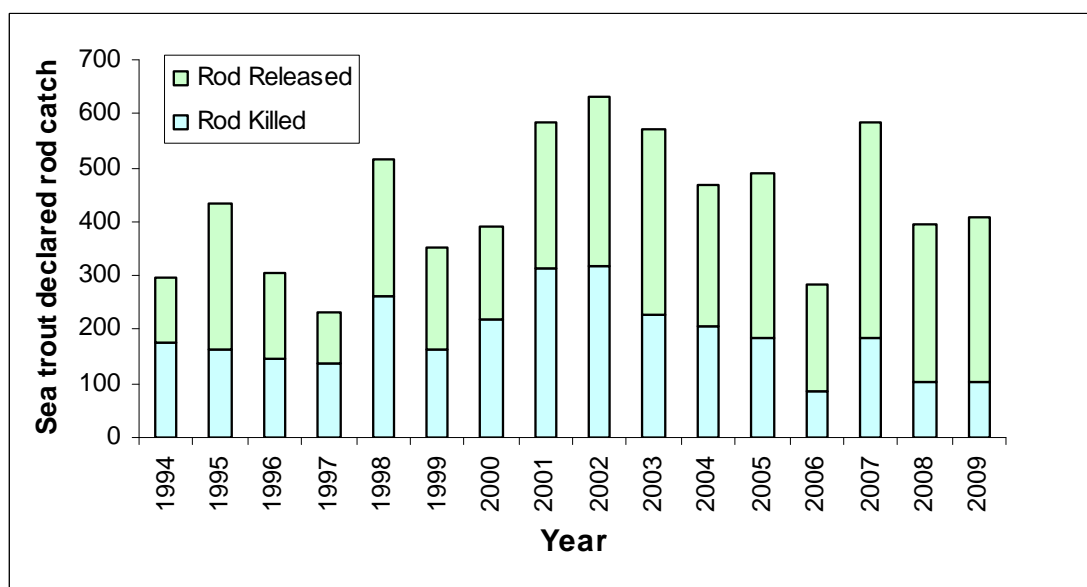
Catch returns / catch & release

The graphs show the rod catch and catch & release rate for salmon and sea trout on the Conwy.

Salmon rod catch - release rate in 2009 was 38%. This is below average and needs to be improved to conserve stocks. The North Wales average is 41%.



Sea trout rod catch - release rate in 2009 was 73%. This is good but could still improve. The North Wales average is 66%.

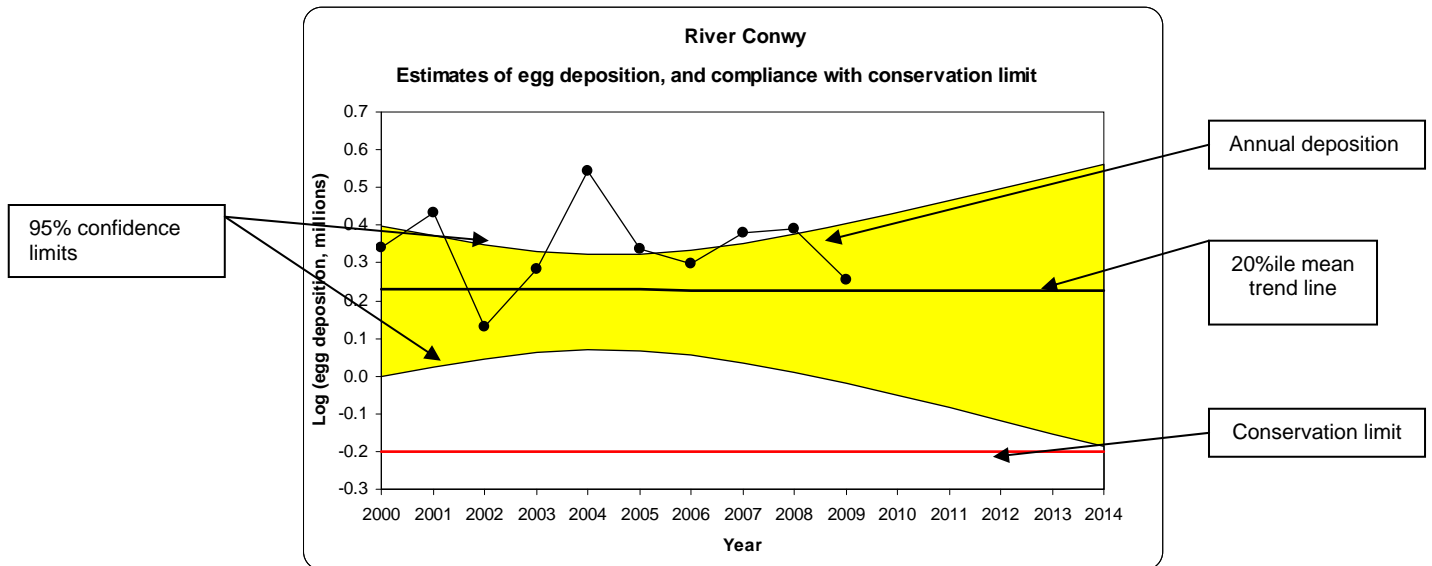




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Conservation of Salmon



Are enough salmon eggs being deposited to conserve salmon stocks in the catchment?

The red line represents the number of eggs required to be deposited to sustain a healthy salmon stock.

- Current number of eggs being deposited puts stocks **not at risk**.
- In 5 years time the predicted status of salmon stocks will be **not at risk**.
- Based on current and future trends the stocks of salmon will continue to **decline**.

Note: this method of stock assessment is currently under review and will change in 2011 due to a changes in effort.



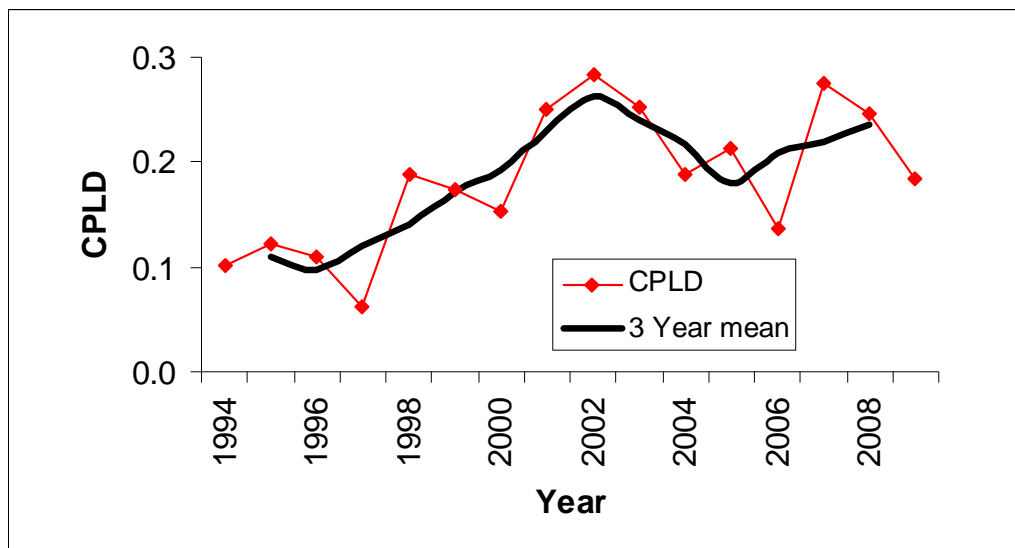
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Conservation of Sea Trout

This approach to assessing sea trout stock performance is still under development. It gives an early warning about potential problems and assists Areas with considering whether any further management action including exploitation controls are required. It is based on catch trends in the last three years compared with those in the previous ten.

Catch Per License Day (CPLD) gives you the catch per outing. This is calculated according to data supplied by anglers on the catchment.



- **CPLD** - on the Conwy is **stable**.
- **Stock status** – this is comparing catches when they were at there best. Status is **currently between 50 – 80%** of this.
- **Score** – this gives a score from the CPUE and stock status. The Conwy scores 3, this is **probably not at risk**.



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Salmon Action Plan (SAP) Activities

We plan to complete a SAP review for the Conwy 2010/11. The following work has been carried out on the catchment.

Activity	Action
Activities that have occurred on the catchment	
Metal mines project	Work in Gwydir forest area, submitted a bid for further water quality monitoring to WAG to investigate further the impact of the waste minewater.
Pollution prevention work	Work with DCWW around the STW in Betws-y-Coed.
Habitat scheme repairs	Merddwr, Iwrch and Cadnant.
Sheep dip	Monitoring carried out on the Llugwy – no issues found.
Establishing Riverfly Partnership.	Working with the trust.