

**North Carolina Angler License Directory Survey  
SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Intro Hello. May I please speak with {restore license holder name}?**

Intro Hello. I'm calling to conduct a voluntary survey for the National Marine Fisheries Service and the North Carolina Division of Marine Resources.  
[AS NEEDED: May I please speak with an adult in the household?]  
We are collecting information for use in conservation of coastal resources and we would appreciate your help with this important study.

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Q1 We want to gather information about recreational saltwater fishing. Saltwater fishing includes fishing in oceans, bays, and brackish portions of rivers. This does not include fishing in freshwater, or for shellfish, such as crabbing. Recreational fishing means the primary purpose of the fishing is for fun or relaxation, as opposed to providing income from the sale of fish.

**SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION AND SCREENING**

Q2 Our records indicate that you {or restore license holder name if proxy} were/was licensed to fish in {restore license state} during the past 2 months. Is this correct?

Q3 Are any other members of this household licensed to fish in {restore license state}?

Q3A How many members of this household, including yourself, were licensed to go saltwater fishing in {restore license state} during the previous 2 months?

Q4 Have I reached you in {restore state of residence}?

Q5 Have I reached you in {restore county of residence} county?

Q6 Is this your permanent residence?

Q7 Does this residence have a land-line telephone {not cell phone}?

Q8 How many people in total, including yourself, live in your household?

We want to gather information from people who have been recreational saltwater fishing. Saltwater fishing includes fishing in oceans, sounds, or bays, or in brackish portions of rivers. This does not include fishing in freshwater, or for shellfish, such as crabbing. Recreational fishing means the primary purpose of the fishing is for fun or relaxation, as opposed to providing income from the sale of fish.

- Q9 Have you been recreational saltwater fishing in the last 12 months anywhere in the US or in a US territory?
- Q10 Thinking just about the past 2 months, how many people in your household, whether licensed or not, have been recreational saltwater fishing in the last two months in the U.S. or a U.S. Territory?
- Q11 INTERVIEWER: Record gender of respondent  
 1 male  
 2 female

**SECTION 2 - MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE**

I'd like to ask each person who has been recreational saltwater fishing in the last 2 months a few questions about their fishing trip(s). What are the first names of the people in your household who have been recreational saltwater fishing in the past 2 months?

Are you one of the people in your household who has been saltwater fishing in the last 2 months?

I'd like to ask you a few questions about your most recent fishing trips. Of course, all of your answers will be kept confidential. This survey is conducted in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974. You are not required to answer any question that you feel is an intrusion of your privacy.

{LABEL LOOP1\_START} – {ANGLER PROFILING STARTS HERE}

- Q12 *{if state ne HI}*  
 On how many days in the past two months, between *{restore TODAY-2 Months}* and *{restore TODAY-1}*, did you (s/he) go saltwater fishing in *{restore state}* or in a boat launched from *{restore state}*?
- 1-62 *{record response}*  
 0 NONE  
 98 DK  
 99 REFUSED

- Q13 *{if state ne HI}*  
 On how many days in the past two months, between *{restore TODAY-2 Months}* and *{restore TODAY-1}*, did you (s/he) go saltwater fishing in any coastal state or territory of the US other than *{restore state}* or from a boat launched from another coastal state or territory of the US?
- 1-62 *{record response}*  
 0 NONE  
 98 DK  
 99 REFUSED

{LABEL TRIPLOOP START} – {TRIP PROFILING STARTS HERE}

- Q14 *{ if TripUp=0}*



Q20 Now I'd like to ask you a series of questions about the {restore mode} trip you (s/he) took on that day.

Q21 Did the boat return to {restore state}?

Q22 To what state or US territory did the boat return?

- 1 Alabama
- 2 Alaska
- 6 California
- 9 Connecticut
- 10 Delaware
- 12 Florida
- 13 Georgia
- 15 Hawaii
- 22 Louisiana
- 23 Maine
- 24 Maryland
- 25 Massachusetts
- 28 Mississippi
- 33 New Hampshire
- 34 New Jersey
- 36 New York
- 37 North Carolina
- 41 Oregon
- 44 Rhode Island
- 45 South Carolina
- 48 Texas
- 51 Virginia
- 53 Washington
- 72 Puerto Rico
- 1 Other - inland state or non-US territory
- 98 DK/R

Q23 To what **coastal** county did your boat return?

- 1 {coastal county list displayed}
- 99998 DK
- 99999 R

999 R

Q24 Does the public have access to the place from which the boat left, or is it private access?

- 1 public has access
- 2 private access only (the public does not have access)
- 3 Military [do not read]
- 7 STOP RECORDING TRIP DETAILS
- 8 DK
- 9 R

[INTERVIEWER: type "special" for help with this question]

Q25 {ask if PubAcc=1}

Was it a launch ramp, boat slip, dock or mooring, private property unlocked marina or something else?

- 1 launch ramp
- 2 boat slip
- 3 dock or mooring
- 4 private property unlocked marina
- 5 something else
- 7 STOP RECORDING TRIP DETAILS
- 8 DK
- 9 R

Q26 *{ask if PrivAcc=1 }*

Was it from a personal residence or dock, a private locked-gate marina, a private property unlocked marina, or something else?

- 1 personal residence or dock
- 2 a private locked-gate marina
- 3 a private property unlocked marina
- 4 something else
- 7 STOP RECORDING TRIP DETAILS
- 8 DK
- 9 R

Q27 Was most of the boat fishing effort that day in the ocean, sound, river, bay or inlet?

- 1 ocean/ gulf
- 2 sound
- 3 river
- 4 bay
- 5 inlet, including inter-coastal waterways and canals
- 6 other *{specify}*
- 8 DK
- 9 R

AreaX\_a1 Was most of the fishing less than or greater than THREE miles from shore?

- 1 THREE miles or less from shore
- 2 Greater than THREE miles from shore
- 8 DK
- 9 R

{LABEL **TripLoop End**} – {TRIP PROFILING ENDS HERE}

{LABEL **77**} – {IF INTERVIEW IS BROKEN OFF}

{IF TripUp>= TotalDays, go to LABEL LANGUAGE}

RM\_1 For the remaining {restore number of remaining trips not discussed} days, could you at least please tell me how many times and in what state and county or US territorial island you fished from a party/charter boat, a private/rental boat, and the shore?

- 1 respondent will continue
- 2 need to change number of initial trips
- 9 respondent refused

*{set change=1}*  
*{skip to LABEL LANGUAGE}*

*{If change = 0, skip to RM\_3}*

RM\_2 [Record the TOTAL number of days actually fished from *{restore recall period start date}* through *{restore recall period end date}*.]

- 1 Record response

*{If modified number of trips = TripUp, go to LABEL LANGUAGE}*

RM\_3 Of the remaining trips, how many were in party or charter boats?

- 1 record response
- 99 DK/REFUSED

*{range is 0 to 62}*  
*{skip to RM\_4}*

*{IF RM\_3=0, go to RM\_4}*

RM\_3A In what state or US territory were the majority of your party or charter boat trips?

- 1 Alabama
- 2 Alaska
- 6 California
- 9 Connecticut
- 10 Delaware
- 12 Florida
- 13 Georgia
- 15 Hawaii
- 22 Louisiana
- 23 Maine
- 24 Maryland
- 25 Massachusetts
- 28 Mississippi
- 33 New Hampshire
- 34 New Jersey
- 36 New York
- 37 North Carolina
- 41 Oregon
- 44 Rhode Island
- 45 South Carolina
- 48 Texas
- 51 Virginia
- 53 Washington
- 72 Puerto Rico
- 55 Other - inland state or non-US territory
- 98 DK

RM\_3B

*{If RM\_3A ne 72,15 or 22}* To what county?  
*{If RM\_3A=22}* To what parish?  
*{If RM\_3A=72}* To what municipality?  
*{If RM\_3A=15}* To what island?

1 Display county list for appropriate state  
99998 DK  
99999 REFUSED

RM\_4 Of the remaining trips, how many were in private or rental boats?

1 record response *{range is 0 to 62}*  
99 DK/REFUSED *{skip to RM\_5}*

*{If RM\_4=0, go to RM-5}*

RM\_4A In what state or US territory were the majority of your private or rental boat trips?

- 1 Alabama
- 2 Alaska
- 6 California
- 9 Connecticut
- 10 Delaware
- 12 Florida
- 13 Georgia
- 15 Hawaii
- 22 Louisiana
- 23 Maine
- 24 Maryland
- 25 Massachusetts
- 28 Mississippi
- 33 New Hampshire
- 34 New Jersey
- 36 New York
- 37 North Carolina
- 41 Oregon
- 44 Rhode Island
- 45 South Carolina
- 48 Texas
- 51 Virginia
- 53 Washington
- 72 Puerto Rico
- 55 Other - inland state or non-US territory
- 98 DK
- 99 R

RM\_4B

*{If RM\_4A ne 72,15 or 22}* To what county?  
*{If RM\_4A=22}* To what parish?  
*{If RM\_4A=72}* To what municipality?

*{If RM\_4A=15}* To what island?

- 1 Display county list for appropriate state
- 99998 DK
- 99999 REFUSED

RM\_5 Of the remaining trips, how many were from the shore?

- 1 record response *{range is 0 to 62}*
- 99 DK/REFUSED *{skip to RM\_END}*

*{If RM\_5=0, go to RM\_END}*

RM\_5A In what state or US territory did you do the majority of your shore fishing?

- 1 Alabama
- 2 Alaska
- 6 California
- 9 Connecticut
- 10 Delaware
- 12 Florida
- 13 Georgia
- 15 Hawaii
- 22 Louisiana
- 23 Maine
- 24 Maryland
- 25 Massachusetts
- 28 Mississippi
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- 51 Virginia
- 53 Washington
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- 55 Other - inland state or non-US territory
- 98 DK
- 99 R}

RM\_5B:

- {If RM\_5A ne 72,15 or 22}* To what county?
- {If RM\_5A=22}* To what parish?
- {If RM\_5A=72}* To what municipality?
- {If RM\_5A=15}* To what island?

- 1 Display county list for appropriate state
- 99998 DK
- 99999 REFUSED}

{LABEL RM\_END}

{LABEL LANGUAGE}

Q29 [INTERVIEWER: Record language of this survey]

1 English

2 Spanish

{LABEL Loop1-End} – {ANGLER PROFILING ENDS HERE}

{LABEL CLOSING}

{LABEL X1}

Thank you for your assistance. That concludes this survey. Have a good day/night.