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 **Florida Boating and Fishing Survey**

We would like to know about your saltwater boating and fishing in Florida. This survey should only take about 5 minutes. Your confidential answers will help us estimate the economic effects of changes in fishing costs and regulations. Please use a **black pen** to completely fill in the ovals and write your answers in the boxes.

Q1. Do you **own a boat?**

Yes, and I use the boat **(Go on to Q2)**
Yes, but someone else uses the boat
No, I don't own a boat

**(Survey Complete, Thank You)**

Q2. Did you use your boat in the **Gulf of Mexico** during **November and December** of **2018**?
Yes **(Skip to Q4)** No **(Go on to Q3)**

Q3. **Why** didn't you use your boat in the Gulf of Mexico during November and December?

I used my boat somewhere else

**(After Answering this Question, Skip to Q11, On Page 2)**

The boat was not working

I was too busy with other things

I did not have the money to run the boat

Other reason

Q4. Did you use your boat to **fish** in the Gulf of Mexico during November and December of 2018?
Yes **(Skip to Q6)** No **(Go on to Q5)**

Q5. **Why** didn't you use your boat to fish in the Gulf of Mexico during November and December?

I don't usually fish from my boat

**(After Answering this Question, Skip to Q10, On Page 2)**

The species I like was not in season

I did not have the money to run the boat for fishing

Other reason

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Q6. How many **days** did you use your boat to fish in the Gulf of Mexico during
November and December?

Q7. How many **people** **(including yourself)** went on a typical fishing trip in the Gulf of Mexico
during November and December?

Q8. How many **hours** **(dock-to-dock)** was your typical fishing trip in the Gulf of Mexico during
November and December?

Q9. How much did a typical fishing trip **cost** in the Gulf of Mexico during November and December?
Please estimate the **total cost paid by everyone for major items** like boat fuel and bait.

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Q10. How many days did you use your boat in the Gulf of Mexico during November
and December without fishing?

Q11. Information about income is very important.  Please select the category that contains the amount closest to your **entire household** annual income before taxes.

Less than $20,000 $80,000 to under $100,000

$20,000 to under $40,000 $100,000 to under $150,000

$40,000 to under $60,000 $150,000 to under $200,000

$60,000 to under $80,000 $200,000 or more

Thank You for Your Participation

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