

Recreational Saltwater Boat Fishing Survey

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Who Should Complete This Form?

An adult household member, 18 years or older, who lives at this address should complete this form.

Instructions

- Use a black or blue pen to complete this form.
- Mark to indicate your answer, or write in your answer where indicated.
- Return the completed form in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

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No personally identifiable information will be collected through this survey. Responses will only be associated with a unique, randomly assigned identification code. Any public release of survey data will be without identification as to its source or in aggregate statistical form. All survey data will be stored on secured, password protected servers, and all transfer of survey data will utilize secure file transfer protocol.

RECREATIONAL SALTWATER BOAT FISHING SURVEY

First are some questions about your household...

1. Which of the following best describes how your household receives telephone calls?

- All are received on cell phones
 Most are received on cell phones
 Some are received on cell phones and some on landline phones
 Most are received on landline phones
 All are received on landline phones
 No calls are received on cell phones or landline phones

2. Which of the following best describes this house, apartment, or mobile home?

- Owned with a mortgage or loan
 Owned without a mortgage or loan
 Rented
 Occupied without payment or rent

3. How many people, including all adults and children, live in this household?

|_|_| Number of people

4. Is anyone living in this household younger than 18?

- Yes
 No

5. Is anyone living in this household older than 64?

- Yes
 No

6. Does anyone in this household own a boat that was registered in {STATE} during the past 12 months?

- Yes
 No

7. During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household spent any time on recreational boats?

- Yes
 No

8. During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household been...

- a. Freshwater fishing in {STATE}?

- Yes
 No

- b. Saltwater fishing in {STATE}?

- Yes
 No

9. During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household been recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in {STATE}?

Do not include freshwater trips or trips where a paid captain or crew helped locate and catch fish.

- Yes → Continue with question 10
 No → Thank you! Please return the completed survey in the postage paid envelope.

10. Including all adults and any children living in this household, how many people went recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the past 12 months?

|_|_| Number of adults and children recreational saltwater fishing from private or rental boat

- Please complete the next section for each member of your household who went recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat during the past 12 months, starting with the oldest member.

OLDEST ANGLER

11. What is this person's gender?

- Male
 Female

12. What is this person's age?

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13. Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- Yes, of Hispanic origin
 No, not of Hispanic origin

14. What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.

- White
 Black, African-American
 Asian
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

15. How many days did this person go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat that returned to shore in {STATE}...

a. during the past 12 months?

Enter 0 if this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing in past 12 months

|_|_|_| Number of days

b. during the past 2 months (July and August 2020)?

Enter 0 if this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing in past 2 months

|_|_| Number of days

- If this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the past 2 months, go to question 20 on the next page. Otherwise, continue with question 16.

16. Thinking about the past 2 months (July and August, 2020), how many days did this person go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the following areas?

For days that this person fished in more than one area, please provide only that area where this person spent most of his/her time fishing.

a. Inland waters (e.g., tidal portions of rivers, estuaries, inlets, sounds, etc)?

|_|_| Number of days

b. The open ocean within 3 miles from shore?

|_|_| Number of days

c. The open ocean greater than 3 miles from shore?

|_|_| Number of days

17. What types of boats did this person fish from during the past 2 months?

Check all that apply.

- Powerboat
 Sailboat
 Personal watercraft such as jetski
 Canoe
 Kayak
 Pontoon boat
 Row/inflatable/other boat

18. Which of the following best describe the location where this person's most recent boat fishing trip ended?

- Personal residence or dock
 Private community marina or dock
 Commercial or public marina
 Public boat ramp
 Other

19. Continue with the second oldest person who went recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the past 12 months. If no others then return your survey in the postage paid envelope provided.

SECOND OLDEST ANGLER

20. What is this person's gender?

- Male
 Female

21. What is this person's age?

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22. Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- Yes, of Hispanic origin
 No, not of Hispanic origin

23. What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.

- White
 Black, African-American
 Asian
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

24. How many days did this person go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat that returned to shore in {STATE}...

a. during the past 12 months?

Enter 0 if this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing in past 12 months

|_|_|_| Number of days

b. during the past 2 months (July and August, 2020)?

Enter 0 if this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing in past 2 months

|_|_| Number of days

- If this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the past 2 months, go to question 29 on the next page. Otherwise, continue with question 25.

25. Thinking about the past 2 months (July and August, 2020), how many days did this person go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the following areas?

For days that this person fished in more than one area, please provide only that area where this person spent most of his/her time fishing.

a. Inland waters (e.g., tidal portions of rivers, estuaries, inlets, sounds, etc)?

|_|_| Number of days

b. The open ocean within 3 miles from shore?

|_|_| Number of days

c. The open ocean greater than 3 miles from shore?

|_|_| Number of days

26. What types of boats did this person fish from during the past 2 months?

Check all that apply.

- Powerboat
 Sailboat
 Personal watercraft such as jetski
 Canoe
 Kayak
 Pontoon boat
 Row/inflatable/other boat

27. Which of the following best describe the location where this person's most recent boat fishing trip ended?

- Personal residence or dock
 Private community marina or dock
 Commercial or public marina
 Public boat ramp
 Other

28. Continue with the third oldest person who went recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the past 12 months. If no others then return your survey in the postage paid envelope provided.

THIRD OLDEST ANGLER

29. What is this person's gender?

- Male
 Female

30. What is this person's age?

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31. Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- Yes, of Hispanic origin
 No, not of Hispanic origin

32. What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.

- White
 Black, African-American
 Asian
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

33. How many days did this person go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat that returned to shore in {STATE}...

a. during the past 12 months?

Enter 0 if this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing in past 12 months

|_|_|_| Number of days

b. during the past 2 months (July and August, 2020)?

Enter 0 if this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing in past 2 months

|_|_| Number of days

- If this person did not go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the past 2 months, please return your survey in the postage paid envelope. Otherwise, continue with question 34.

34. Thinking about the past 2 months (July and August, 2020), how many days did this person go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental boat in the following areas?

For days that this person fished in more than one area, please provide only that area where this person spent most of his/her time fishing.

a. Inland waters (e.g., tidal portions of rivers, estuaries, inlets, sounds, etc)?

|_|_| Number of days

b. The open ocean within 3 miles from shore?

|_|_| Number of days

c. The open ocean greater than 3 miles from shore?

|_|_| Number of days

35. What types of boats did this person fish from during the past 2 months?

Check all that apply.

- Powerboat
 Sailboat
 Personal watercraft such as jetski
 Canoe
 Kayak
 Pontoon boat
 Row/inflatable/other boat

36. Which of the following best describe the location where this person's most recent boat fishing trip ended?

- Personal residence or dock
 Private community marina or dock
 Commercial or public marina
 Public boat ramp
 Other

37. Thank you very much for your time. Please return your survey in the postage paid envelope.