

White Mullet

Mugil curema



Description:

- bluish-green color above
- silvery elsewhere
- no distinct stripes
- bluish black blotch at pectoral-fin base
- sometimes 2 bronze blotches on each side of the head
- anal fin has 3 spines and 9-10 soft rays
- (young have 2 spines and 10-11 soft rays)

Size:

• up to 15 inches

Range:

 Massachusetts to Bermuda and northern Gulf of Mexico to southeastern Brazil

Facts:

- like muddy bottoms of brackish water and sandy coasts
- juveniles will find way to estuaries and coastal lagoons
- ◆ adults form schools
- valuable as bait in the billfish sport fishery

White Mullet Catch Totals

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Year	Total
1992	1
1993	1
1998	1
2001	1
2006	1
2016	1
2017	1
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*white mullet were only caught during the years shown

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