Atlantic Croaker
*Micropogonias undulatus*

**Description:**
- Down turned mouth
- 3-5 small chin barbels
- Silvery body
- Slightly diagonal, thin dark lines on upper half of fish

**Size:**
- Up to 18 inches

**Range:**
- Coastal waters from Cape Cod, Massachusetts to Florida and into the Gulf of Mexico around Texas
- South America from Brazil to Argentina

**Facts:**
- Spawn in offshore waters on the continental shelf during the fall
- Larvae ride tidal currents into coastal inlets
- Makes a loud croaking sound
- Bottom feeder that preys on bristle worms, mollusks, crustaceans, and small fish
- Loudest member of the drum family
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