

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES



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October 2017

FINFISH	January – June (Pounds – rounded)				
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Amberjacks ¹	49,509	80,311	77,568	74,828	58,919
Anglerfish (Monkfish & Monklivers)	5,329	62,244	99,957	48,963	51,739
Bluefish	722,850	1,514,841	472,082	803,087	1,109,781
Bonito	8,543	6,468	18,467	8,274	9,752
Butterfish	40,379	18,992	35,257	24,085	31,680
Carp	10,839	15,363	35,271	22,605	14,819
Catfishes	277,558	308,317	474,148	587,375	705,213
Cobia	19,824	20,686	18,697	18,578	17,633
Croaker, Atlantic	1,291,520	2,054,885	1,576,129	1,662,982	878,466
Cutlassfish, Atlantic	22,445	132,155	166,469	1,135	41,751
Dolphinfish	153,437	405,221	320,371	334,863	196,209
Drum, Black	44,251	6,289	24,596	14,818	43,464
Drum, Red	41,037	19	39,843	20,942	34,198
Eel, American	3,506	1,824	2,723	2,234	3,418
Flounder, Southern	153,753	123,370	130,344	93,483	130,406
Flounder, Summer	160,645	2,410,119	2,323,303	1,875,669	1,181,768
Flounders, Other	*	2,638	964	1,209	*
Garfish	5,159	4,378	35,679	12,586	19,641
Grouper, Gag	44,127	41,529	41,346	33,419	25,497
Grouper, Red	37,056	28,008	22,772	9,477	8,326
Grouper, Scamp	20,374	21,654	24,080	22,559	15,957
Grouper, Snowy	13,999	23,155	22,431	70,403	65,044
Groupers, Other	5,170	6,336	3,594	6,269	4,775
Grunts	14,887	14,411	13,870	16,574	16,863
Hakes	455	622	1,262	2,635	2,506
Harvestfish (Starbutters)	130,239	89,348	114,842	96,956	36,458
Herring, River (Alewife and Blueback)	743	1,139	0	0	0
Hogfish (Hog Snapper)	3,812	4,971	3,866	3,206	5,069
Jacks (Crevalle and Blue Runner)	190	1,129	448	2,040	833
Mackerel, Atlantic (Boston)	19	555	1,338	160	629
Mackerel, King	62,789	97,663	32,296	55,875	137,601
Mackerel, Spanish	139,875	137,529	187,252	223,015	248,578
Menhaden, Atlantic	213,942	598,814	562,512	271,290	538,339
Mullet, Sea (Kingfishes)	229,057	227,647	369,303	279,129	356,177
Mullet, Striped	193,182	206,085	235,458	203,490	189,317
Perch, White	253,118	149,389	121,004	201,119	167,441
Perch, Yellow	29,810	64,326	40,574	27,462	15,562
Pigfish	8,430	8,853	6,253	2,164	2,489
Pinfish	23	7	34	193	79
Pompano	1,424	1,128	1,266	4,408	1,164
Porgies	21,761	44,952	20,235	12,483	32,914
Pufferfish	3,260	189	807	1,453	1,955
Scup	5,240	145,917	210,156	99,632	154,708
Sea Basses	91,973	391,715	382,873	321,340	376,117
Seatrout, Spotted	191,509	67,989	87,530	54,004	97,733

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Shad, American	256,598	192,982	97,678	63,211	92,715
Shad, Gizzard	87,996	84,590	53,556	82,948	120,414
Shad, Hickory	71,227	109,106	148,236	96,203	73,337
Sharks	333,999	683,740	359,330	457,610	560,584
Sharks, Dogfish, Smooth	658,882	455,409	209,485	132,247	152,938
Sharks, Dogfish, Spiny	3,006,857	4,558,556	4,247,173	2,243,146	390,805
Sheepshead	16,107	15,152	20,407	19,344	14,418
Skates	2,186	16,925	43,216	23,650	39,454
Skippers	10,777	15,315	10,166	9,002	9,147
Snapper, Vermilion (Beeliner)	69,519	101,450	75,045	124,373	105,757
Snappers, Other	2,357	2,676	4,118	4,996	2,159
Spadefish	5,143	13,121	6,310	8,377	7,968
Spot	56,449	123,811	30,769	10,457	29,422
Striped Bass	83,672	72,118	110,408	124,712	84,076
Swordfish	885,331	555,153	436,592	346,005	294,680
Tilefish	97,311	84,972	30,926	32,766	71,617
Triggerfish	110,628	116,492	81,324	59,388	53,134
Tuna, Bigeye	54,918	80,283	93,504	57,080	43,170
Tuna, Bluefin	105,832	80,178	85,145	154,123	303,781
Tuna, Yellowfin	301,568	311,926	259,715	249,162	529,868
Tunas, Other	67,271	125,874	110,225	80,437	52,705
Tunny, Little (False Albacore)	85,684	92,881	31,646	53,461	88,013
Wahoo	6,891	7,312	8,429	9,527	14,546
Weakfish (Grey Trout)	52,967	37,760	24,636	34,139	34,507
Unclassified for Industrial Use or Bait	19,369	21,753	31,873	16,236	72,310
Unclassified Fish for Food	66,416	64,958	86,975	60,241	54,579
TOTAL FINFISH	11,242,996	17,567,667	15,056,156	12,181,311	10,327,094
SHELLFISH					
Blue Crabs, Hard	5,947,780	6,962,482	7,647,153	8,342,139	8,086,413
Blue Crabs, Peeler	336,436	515,197	579,795	362,986	719,987
Blue Crabs, Soft	284,130	332,286	332,207	263,320	407,398
Clams, Hard (Meats)	165,637	224,555	214,360	191,700	152,575
Clams, Hard (<i>Numbers</i>)	8,503,146	11,691,611	10,896,705	9,877,133	7,989,642
Octopus	*	86	*	146	124
Oysters (Meats)	188,289	327,260	267,056	327,808	407,909
Oysters (<i>Bushels</i>)	35,593	61,864	50,483	61,967	77,109
Scallops, Bay (Meats)	1,337	0	0	0	0
Scallops, Sea (Meats)	1,491	15,830	105,566	116,287	92,827
Shrimp ² (Heads On)	449,361	338,650	351,542	770,523	2,246,970
Stone Crabs	1,853	2,759	2,911	4,289	3,658
Squid	1,557	9,283	15,462	31,945	18,406
Whelks/Conchs (Meats)	36,631	43,375	59,334	70,475	47,679
Unclassified Shellfish	72,964	61,598	79,297	92,489	82,035
TOTAL SHELLFISH	7,487,466	8,833,361	9,654,683	10,574,106	12,265,980
GRAND TOTAL	18,730,462	26,401,028	24,710,839	22,755,416	22,593,074

¹ Includes species from genus *Seriola* (greater amberjack, lesser amberjack, almaco jack, and banded rudderfish.)

² Includes brown, pink, and white shrimp.

* Units not shown to avoid disclosure of private enterprise.

NOTE: Landings collected by North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries Trip Ticket Program (October 2017).