

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES



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October 2018

FINFISH	January – June (Pounds – rounded)				
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Amberjacks ¹	80,304	77,615	74,828	58,919	63,247
Anglerfish (Monkfish & Monklivers)	62,244	99,957	48,963	51,739	39,933
Bluefish	1,514,841	472,082	803,087	1,119,042	470,071
Bonito	6,468	18,467	8,274	9,391	12,311
Butterfish	18,992	35,257	24,084	31,680	23,861
Carp	15,363	35,271	22,605	14,819	17,264
Catfishes	308,317	474,148	587,375	705,211	722,552
Cobia	20,686	18,697	18,578	17,633	17,587
Croaker, Atlantic	2,054,885	1,576,129	1,662,982	869,326	1,574,277
Cutlassfish, Atlantic	132,155	166,469	1,135	41,751	25,055
Dolphinfish	405,221	320,371	334,863	189,255	129,239
Drum, Black	6,289	24,596	14,818	43,362	40,828
Drum, Red	22	39,838	20,942	34,186	53,339
Eel, American	1,824	2,723	2,234	4,393	2,336
Flounder, Southern	123,370	130,299	93,483	130,169	73,730
Flounder, Summer	2,410,119	2,323,303	1,875,669	1,181,768	1,387,628
Flounders, Other	2,638	964	1,209	*	66
Garfish	4,378	35,679	12,586	19,641	12,622
Grouper, Gag	41,529	41,346	33,419	25,497	33,488
Grouper, Red	28,008	22,772	9,477	8,326	6,596
Grouper, Scamp	21,654	24,080	22,559	15,957	20,352
Grouper, Snowy	23,155	22,430	70,403	65,044	70,100
Groupers, Other	6,336	3,594	6,269	4,775	5,214
Grunts	14,411	13,870	16,574	16,863	14,032
Hakes	622	1,262	2,635	2,506	974
Harvestfish (Starbutters)	89,348	114,842	96,956	36,472	73,485
Herring, River (Alewife and Blueback)	1,139	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hogfish (Hog Snapper)	4,970	3,866	3,206	5,069	3,161
Jacks (Crevalle and Blue Runner)	1,136	448	2,040	833	316
Mackerel, Atlantic (Boston)	555	1,338	160	629	1,418
Mackerel, King	97,663	32,296	55,875	137,602	91,152
Mackerel, Spanish	137,529	187,252	223,015	248,664	252,328
Menhaden, Atlantic	598,911	563,103	271,290	532,323	417,031
Mullet, Sea (Kingfishes)	227,647	369,306	279,129	356,193	227,466
Mullet, Striped	206,085	235,458	203,490	189,321	236,788
Perch, White	149,388	121,004	201,118	159,796	118,147
Perch, Yellow	64,326	40,574	27,462	15,562	12,298
Pigfish	8,853	6,253	2,164	2,450	2,780
Pinfish	7	34	193	79	207
Pompano	1,128	1,266	4,408	1,166	1,890
Porgies	44,952	20,235	12,483	22,055	22,591
Pufferfish	189	807	1,453	1,955	315
Scup	145,917	210,156	99,632	165,567	64,138
Sea Basses	391,715	382,873	321,340	376,126	335,478
Seatrout, Spotted	67,989	87,530	54,004	97,732	15,076

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Shad, American	191,302	95,966	62,245	90,868	52,256
Shad, Gizzard	84,995	53,564	83,994	121,783	209,605
Shad, Hickory	110,280	149,336	96,121	73,627	75,312
Sharks	683,740	359,330	457,610	559,296	432,537
Sharks, Dogfish, Smooth	455,409	209,485	132,247	152,938	198,810
Sharks, Dogfish, Spiny	4,558,556	4,247,173	2,243,146	390,805	755,937
Sheepshead	15,152	20,398	19,344	14,455	11,126
Skates	16,925	43,216	23,650	39,454	32,527
Skippers	15,315	10,166	9,002	9,147	11,936
Snapper, Vermilion (Beeliner)	101,450	75,045	124,373	105,757	105,130
Snappers, Other	2,676	4,118	4,996	2,157	7,261
Spadefish	13,121	6,310	8,377	7,968	4,807
Spot	123,811	30,769	10,457	29,422	41,882
Striped Bass	72,118	110,408	124,712	84,076	93,230
Swordfish	555,153	436,592	346,005	291,170	340,811
Tilefish, Blueline	71,711	23,607	15,793	41,943	32,282
Tilefishes, Other	13,261	7,320	16,973	29,661	11,376
Triggerfish	116,492	81,324	59,388	53,134	82,295
Tuna, Bigeye	80,283	93,504	57,080	41,052	63,931
Tuna, Bluefin	80,178	85,145	154,123	303,781	209,948
Tuna, Yellowfin	311,926	259,715	249,162	509,674	336,038
Tunas, Other	125,874	110,225	80,437	52,705	38,320
Tunny, Little (False Albacore)	92,881	31,646	53,461	88,374	56,799
Wahoo	7,312	8,429	9,527	14,546	9,642
Weakfish (Grey Trout)	37,761	24,646	34,139	34,507	13,600
Unclassified for Industrial Use or Bait	21,753	31,873	16,238	72,085	51,122
Unclassified Fish for Food	64,958	86,975	60,241	54,620	58,798
TOTAL FINFISH	17,567,671	15,056,145	12,181,310	10,279,852	10,030,085
SHELLFISH					
Blue Crabs, Hard	6,962,629	7,647,153	8,342,138	8,086,876	5,824,847
Blue Crabs, Peeler	515,197	579,795	362,986	717,017	322,566
Blue Crabs, Soft	332,286	332,207	263,320	407,962	227,506
Clams, Hard (Meats)	224,555	214,360	191,534	152,208	130,891
Clams, Hard (<i>Numbers</i>)	11,691,611	10,896,705	9,868,865	7,971,372	6,902,125
Octopus	86	*	146	124	123
Oysters (Meats)	327,260	267,056	327,808	407,919	320,101
Oysters (<i>Bushels</i>)	61,864	50,483	61,967	77,111	60,511
Scallops, Sea (Meats)	15,830	105,566	116,287	92,827	55,331
Shrimp ² (Heads On)	338,650	351,542	770,523	2,281,597	318,051
Squid	9,283	15,462	31,945	18,406	25,172
Stone Crabs	2,759	2,911	4,289	3,658	2,918
Whelks/Conchs (Meats)	43,456	59,334	70,475	47,820	48,890
Unclassified Shellfish	71,681	79,297	92,489	81,175	35,255
TOTAL SHELLFISH	8,843,672	9,654,683	10,573,940	12,297,589	7,311,651
GRAND TOTAL	26,411,343	24,710,828	22,755,250	22,577,441	17,341,736

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 2018).