

Your Fishing Counts!

Saltwater Recreational Fishing in Maine

Maine provides world-class saltwater angling opportunities. While striped bass may be the most sought-after species, anglers can also target Atlantic mackerel, several species of groundfish, sharks, and bluefin tuna.

Residents and anglers from around the world fish our coastal waters and support our state's economy.

Enjoy what Maine has to offer.

Tight lines!



1,600+
jobs

\$60+
million
income

\$160+
million
sales

Source: NOAA Fisheries

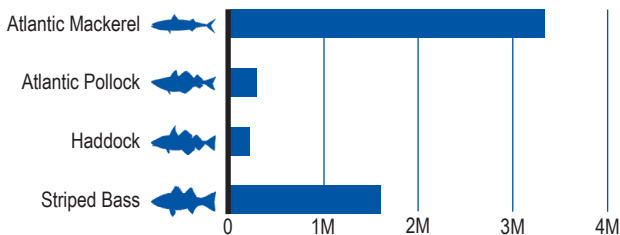


Your Data Matter

When you respond to a Maine DMR field interviewer's questions for NOAA Fisheries' Marine Recreational Information Program, you're playing a key role in supporting healthy and productive fish stocks. So it's important to answer all questions accurately.

Field interviewers play no role in law enforcement, and your responses are confidential.

What Maine Anglers Are Catching



These 2019 estimates of fish caught by recreational anglers include released fish.

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Better **Data,** Better **Fishing**

You make it possible

Information you share about your fishing activity helps ensure sustainable fisheries today—and for generations to come.

Your **fishing activity** is counted through **surveys** conducted with tens of thousands of recreational anglers.

This information is **combined with other data**, such as commercial catch and stock age and growth rates.

Scientists evaluate all of these factors to **determine the health of our fisheries**.

Managers work with anglers and other stakeholders to **set rules that help keep stocks sustainable**.

The cycle continues as we **assess and respond to the ongoing health and productivity** of our fisheries.

View the estimates. Query the data.
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