

North Atlantic Saltwater Recreational Fishing Survey



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ATLANTIC SALTWATER GROUNDFISH IN THIS SURVEY

ATLANTIC COD



- Also known as "codfish" and "cod"
- Fishing season varies by state
- Average weight is 5-10 pounds
- Average length is 20-30 inches
- Maximum published weight is 211.2 pounds
- Maximum published length is 78.7 inches
- Daily limit varies by state*
- Minimum size in Federal waters is 22 or 24 inches depending on location*

HADDOCK



- Can usually be fished year-round
- Average weight is 2-5 pounds
- Average length is 18-23 inches
- Maximum published weight is 37 pounds
- Maximum published length is 44.1 inches
- No daily limit*
- Minimum size in Federal waters is 18 inches*

POLLOCK



- Also known as "Boston bluefish"
- Can usually be fished year-round
- Average weight is 4-15 pounds
- Average length is 22-26 inches
- Maximum published weight is 70.4 pounds
- Maximum published length is 51.2 inches
- No daily limit*
- No minimum size in Federal waters*

*Regulations as of May 1, 2009

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SECTION A: YOUR SALTWATER FISHING ACTIVITIES

The questions on this page are about **YOU** and **YOUR** fishing activities.
Do not include any information from other fishing party or household members.
Please print clearly and fill in boxes with a ☒ or ☒.

- 1 Which of the following species have you personally caught or tried to catch in the **last five years**?
(Please mark all that apply.)

☐

Cod

☐

Haddock

☐

Pollock



- 2 Which of the following species have you personally caught or tried to catch **last season**?
(Please mark all that apply.)

☐

Cod

☐

Haddock

☐

Pollock



- 3 What is the **total** number of fishing trips you took last season for **cod, pollock, or haddock**?

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- 4 How many fishing trips did you take **last season** for **cod, haddock, or pollock** on a **private boat**?
(A private boat is a boat owned by you, a friend, or an acquaintance where you did not have to pay any rental fees for the vehicle used on the trip.)

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- 5 How many fishing trips did you take **last season** for **cod, haddock, or pollock** on a **party boat, open boat, or head boat**? (A party boat, open boat, or head boat is a boat that takes paying passengers for a defined length of time where the fee paid is per person.)

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- 6 How many fishing trips did you take **last season** for **cod, haddock, or pollock** using a **private charter boat**? (A private charter boat is a boat that takes paying passengers for a defined length of time where the fee paid rents the boat and captain, regardless of the number of passengers so long as the legal limit for the vessel is not exceeded.)

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SECTION B: SALTWATER FISHING TRIPS

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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	4 Pollock	10 Cod	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	23 inch Pollock	22 inch Cod	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least</u> <u>legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	10 Pollock	1 Cod	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	1 Pollock	3 Cod	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	3 Cod 6 Haddock	1 Haddock 3 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	8 Hours	12 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$312	\$276	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	2 Pollock	8 Cod	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	17 inch Pollock	20 inch Cod	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	3 Pollock	6 Cod	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	1 Pollock	3 Cod	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	10 Cod 3 Haddock	1 Haddock 1 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	4 Hours	8 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$28	\$312	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	10 Cod	4 Pollock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	20 inch Cod	19 inch Pollock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	3 Cod	1 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	1 Cod	3 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	10 Haddock 10 Pollock	3 Cod 3 Haddock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	6 Hours	10 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$138	\$390	

1 I like this trip best:
(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	2 Cod	10 Pollock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	26 inch Cod	23 inch Pollock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	10 Cod	3 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	3 Cod	3 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	10 Haddock 6 Pollock	3 Cod 1 Haddock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	10 Hours	4 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$230	\$156	

1 I like this trip best:
(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	2 Cod	2 Haddock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	18 inch Cod	21 inch Haddock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	1 Cod	3 Haddock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	3 Cod	1 Haddock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	3 Haddock 1 Pollock	6 Cod 10 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	8 Hours	12 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$440	\$276	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	4 Haddock	2 Pollock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	16 inch Haddock	23 inch Pollock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	6 Haddock	6 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	3 Haddock	1 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	3 Cod 1 Pollock	1 Cod 3 Haddock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	12 Hours	6 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$276	\$330	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	10 Cod	4 Cod	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	23 inch Cod	24 inch Cod	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	1 Cod	3 Cod	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	6 Cod	1 Cod	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	6 Haddock 3 Pollock	6 Haddock 1 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	4 Hours	10 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$156	\$550	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



SECTION I: SALTWATER FISHING TRIPS

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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	8 Haddock	10 Cod	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	22 inch Haddock	26 inch Cod	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least</u> <u>legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	10 Haddock	6 Cod	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	6 Haddock	3 Cod	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	10 Cod 1 Pollock	6 Haddock 3 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	2 Hours	8 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$78	\$56	

1 I like this trip best:
(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☐)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



SECTION J: SALTWATER FISHING TRIPS

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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	8 Pollock	2 Haddock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	19 inch Pollock	21 inch Haddock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least</u> <u>legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	3 Pollock	10 Haddock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	1 Pollock	6 Haddock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	1 Cod 6 Haddock	6 Cod 10 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	12 Hours	4 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$660	\$92	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	4 Cod	8 Pollock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	18 inch Cod	17 inch Pollock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	3 Cod	10 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	1 Cod	3 Pollock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	1 Haddock 3 Pollock	3 Cod 10 Haddock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	10 Hours	8 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$70	\$312	

1 I like this trip best:
(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



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TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	4 Pollock	8 Haddock	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	21 inch Pollock	17 inch Haddock	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	6 Pollock	10 Haddock	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	3 Pollock	1 Haddock	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	10 Cod 1 Haddock	3 Cod 3 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	10 Hours	12 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$390	\$84	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



SECTION M: SALTWATER FISHING TRIPS

Please compare Trip A, Trip B, and Trip C in the table below, then answer questions **1** and **2**. Compare only the trips on this page. Do not compare these trips to trips on other pages in this survey. Assume that the trips below are identical in every way except for the features listed in the table. All regulations remain as they are today unless otherwise noted in the table below.

TRIP FEATURES		TRIP A	TRIP B	TRIP C
REGULATIONS	DAILY BAG (TAKE) LIMIT Number of fish you can <u>legally</u> keep per day.	2 Pollock	8 Cod	Do something other than saltwater fishing.
	MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT Smallest fish you can <u>legally</u> keep of this species.	20 inch Pollock	26 inch Cod	
CATCH	NUMBER OF LEGAL-SIZE FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>at least legal minimum size</u> . Some fish are released if you catch more than the daily bag limit.	1 Pollock	3 Cod	
	NUMBER OF UNDERSIZED FISH YOU CATCH These fish are <u>below</u> the <u>legal minimum size</u> . <u>All</u> of these fish <u>must</u> be released.	6 Pollock	6 Cod	
	NUMBER OF OTHER FISH YOU KEEP Other fish you catch on this trip that <u>can</u> be <u>legally kept</u> .	6 Cod 6 Haddock	10 Haddock 1 Pollock	
TRIP DETAILS	TRIP LENGTH Total time purchased for this trip.	8 Hours	6 Hours	
	TOTAL TRIP COST <u>YOUR share</u> of the fishing trip cost, including bait, ice, fishing equipment, daily license fees, boat rental fees, boat fuel, and round trip transportation costs associated with traveling to and from the fishing location. Travel costs may include vehicle fuel, car rental, tolls, airfare, and parking. This cost does <u>not</u> include the price of food or drink.	\$56	\$330	

1 I like this trip best:

(Please mark the **ONE** option **YOU** like best with a ☒ or ☒)

TRIP A ☐

TRIP B ☐

TRIP C ☐

2 Please rate the trips listed in the table above. (Circle the number that reflects your opinion best.)

TRIP A	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP B	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE
TRIP C	DISLIKE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LIKE



SECTION N: ABOUT YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD

- 1 Are you male or female? ☐ Male ☐ Female
- 2 How old are you? ☐ 18-24 years ☐ 25-44 years ☐ 45-64 years ☐ 65 years and over
- 3 What is the highest level of education you have completed? (Please mark only one category.)
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Some high school | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-year degree |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High school graduate or GED completion | <input type="checkbox"/> Some graduate school |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2-year degree or trade school graduate | <input type="checkbox"/> Master's degree (ex: MA, MS, MBA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attended some college | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional or doctoral degree |
- 4 What is your ethnic background? (Please mark all that apply.)
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> White | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American | <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
- 5 Which of the following categories best describes your **household's total annual income before taxes** in 2008? (Please mark only one category.)
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$20,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$80,000—99,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000—39,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000—149,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000—59,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150,000—199,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60,000—79,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$200,000 or more |
- 6 Was this survey completed by the person to whom it was mailed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

Your answers to this survey will help us better manage our fisheries. If you have any questions or comments regarding the survey, contact Sonia Jarvis at **301.713.2328 x104** or email **Sonia.Jarvis@NOAA.gov**.

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