

2023 Texas Recreational Red Snapper Summary Dakus Geeslin | Gulf Council Meeting | April 9, 2024



## **2023 RED SNAPPER SEASON**



- State water opened January 1; Federal water opened June 1
- 2023 quota 286,363 pounds
- Season Lengths



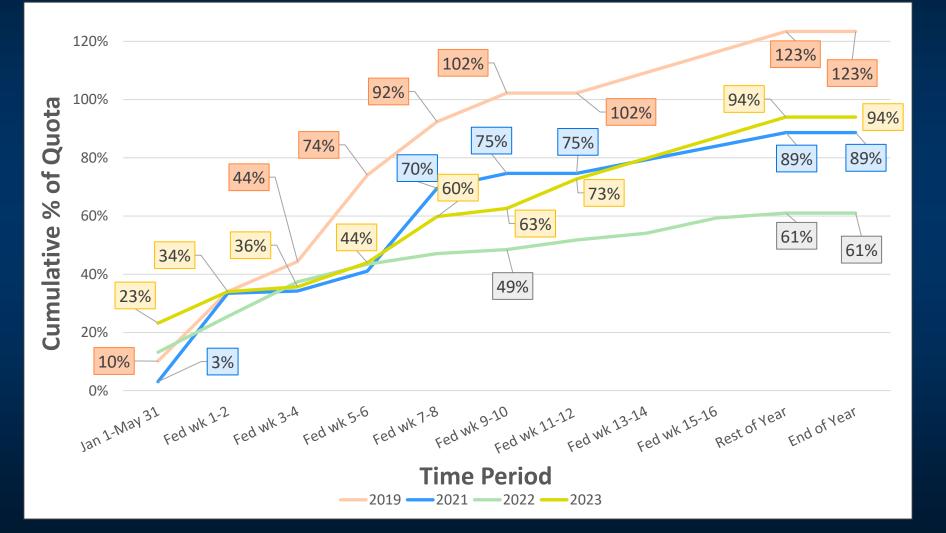
- 92 Day Federal water season (closed September 1st)
- State water closed November 20th
- 2023 landings = 267,721 pounds (94% of quota)
  - 259,086 lbs private rec., 8,635 lbs headboat

## 2023 Season Cumulative Percent of Quota Landed

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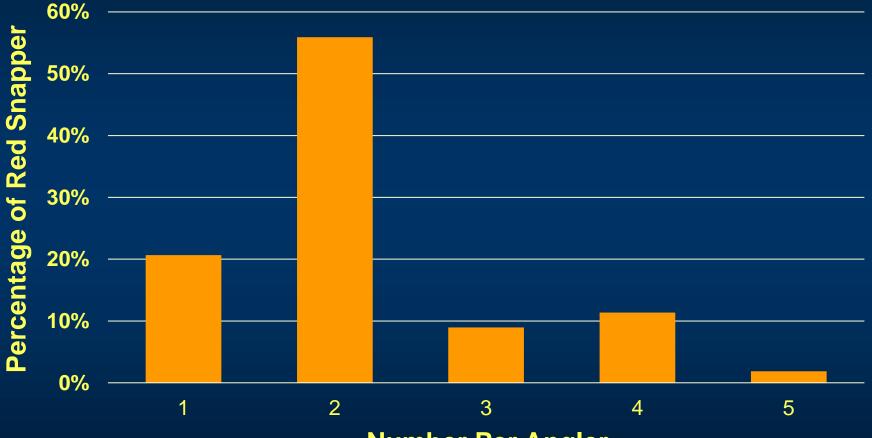


## 2023 Red Snapper Private Boat Bag Distribution\*

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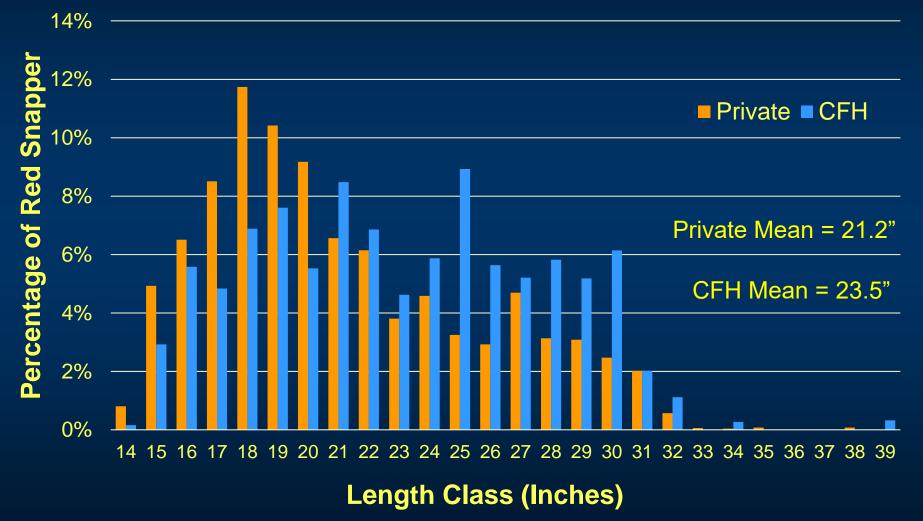
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**Number Per Angler** 

\*Only includes trips (TTS & EEZ combined) that landed snapper

# 2023 Recreational Red Snapper Length-Frequency



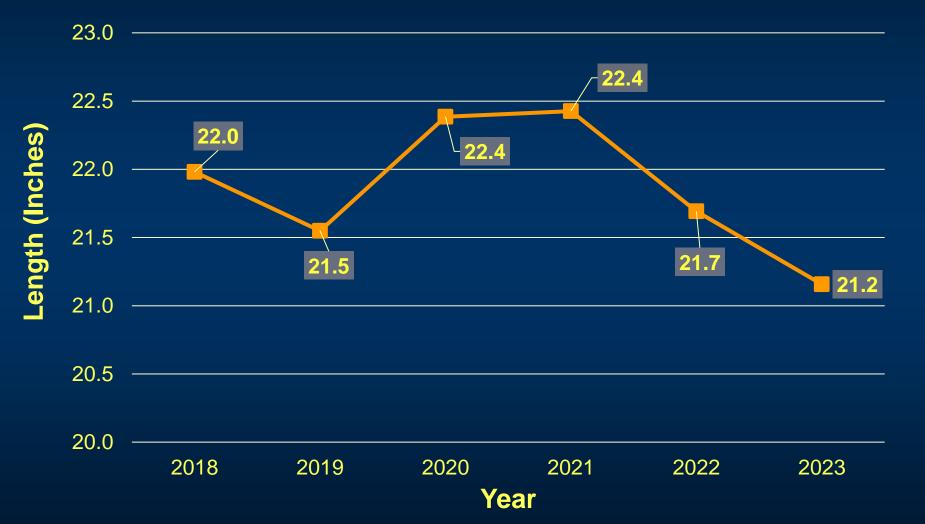
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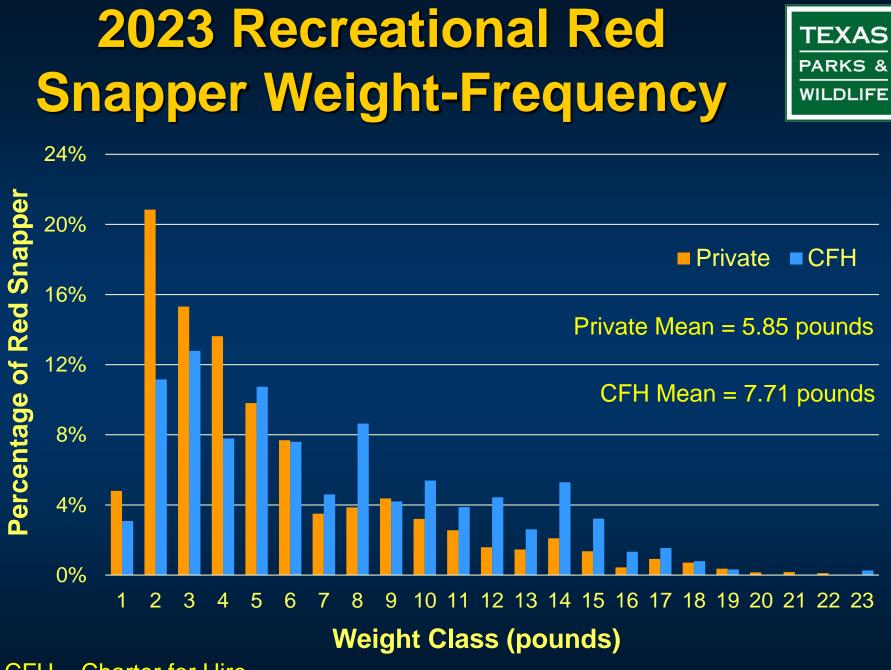
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#### Red Snapper Mean Length Private Anglers



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#### Bag Distribution per Angler Trip\*

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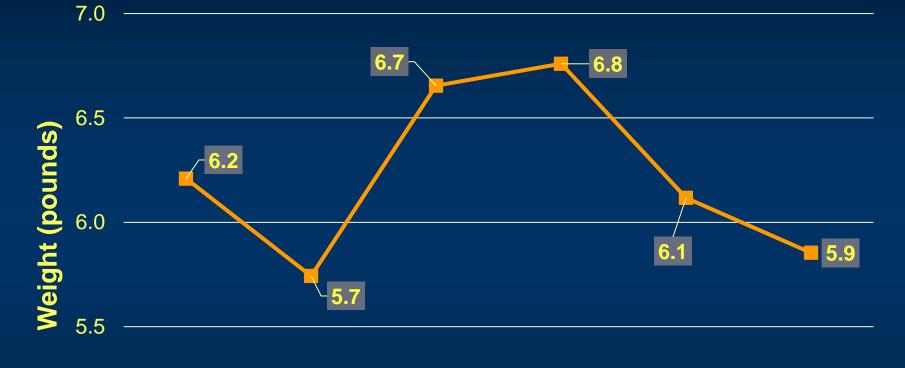
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Area	Number of snapper per angler trip	Pounds of snapper per angler trip
Federal	1.30	8.45
State	0.57	2.86

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#### Red Snapper Mean Weight Private Anglers

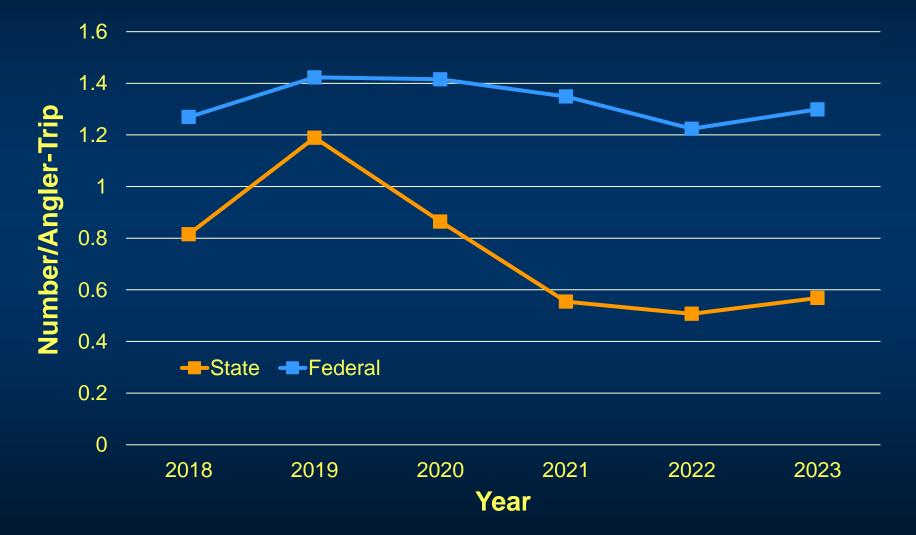






## Red Snapper CPUE Private Anglers







# 2023 Red Snapper Sampling

- 1,121 creel survey days in 2023
  - 432 during federal season
- 457 angler-trips had red snapper
  - 371 during federal season
- 128 roving surveys annually
  - 32 during federal season

