

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



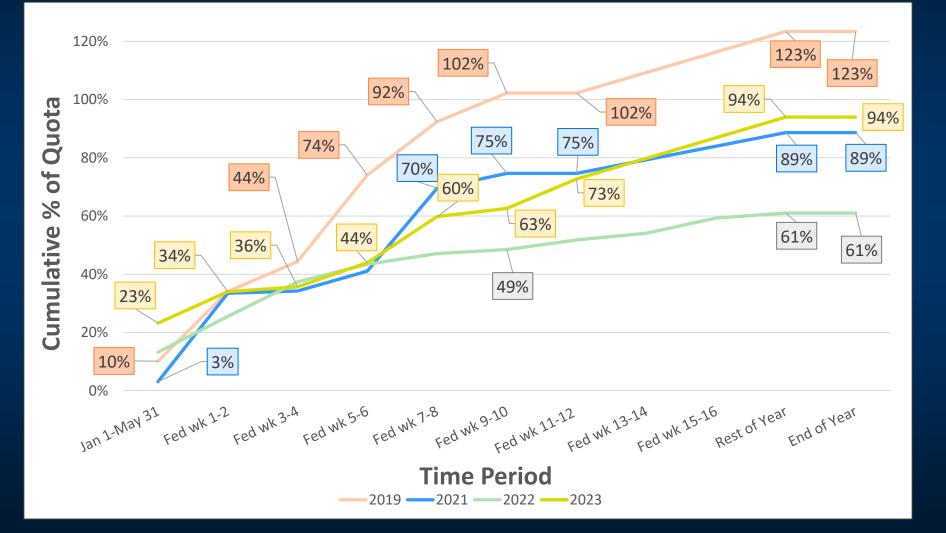
- 92 Day Federal water season (closed September 1st)
- State water closed November 20th
- 2023 landings = 267,721 pounds (94% of quota)
 - 259,086 lbs private rec., 8,635 lbs headboat

2023 Season Cumulative Percent of Quota Landed

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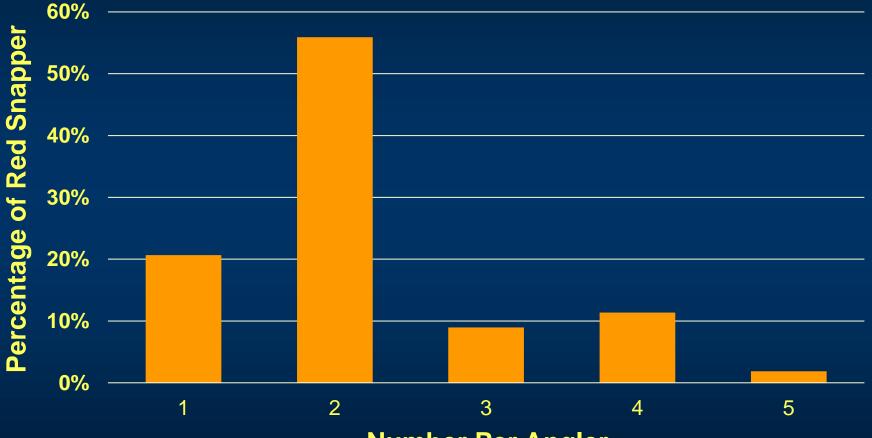


2023 Red Snapper Private Boat Bag Distribution*

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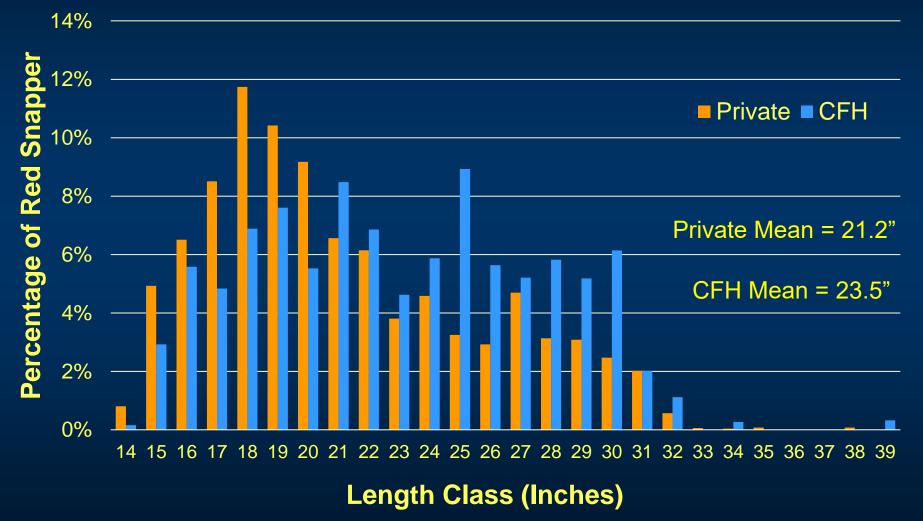
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Number Per Angler

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

2023 Recreational Red Snapper Length-Frequency



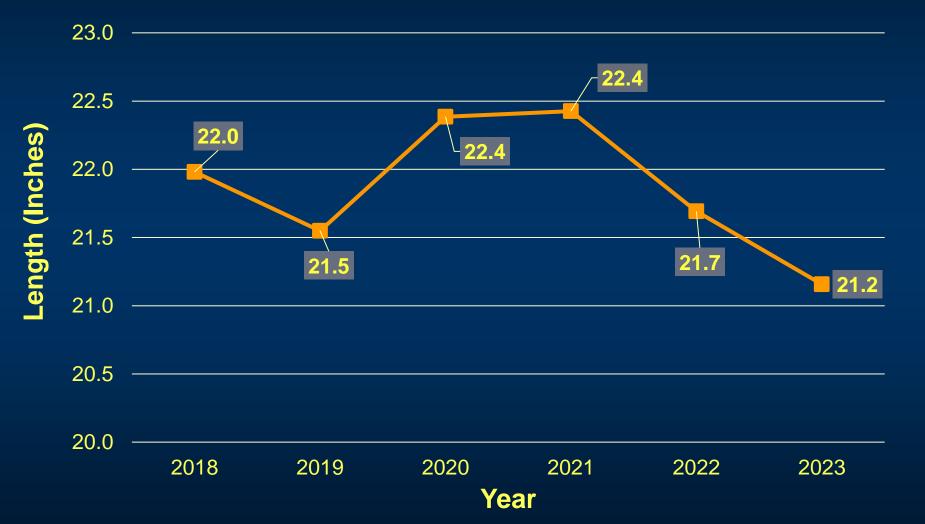
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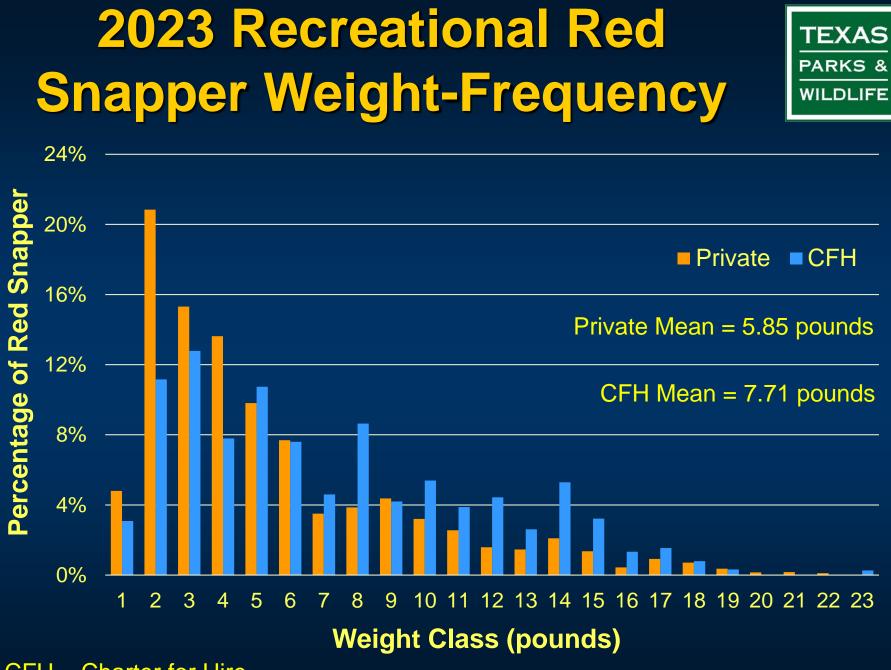
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Red Snapper Mean Length Private Anglers



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Bag Distribution per Angler Trip*

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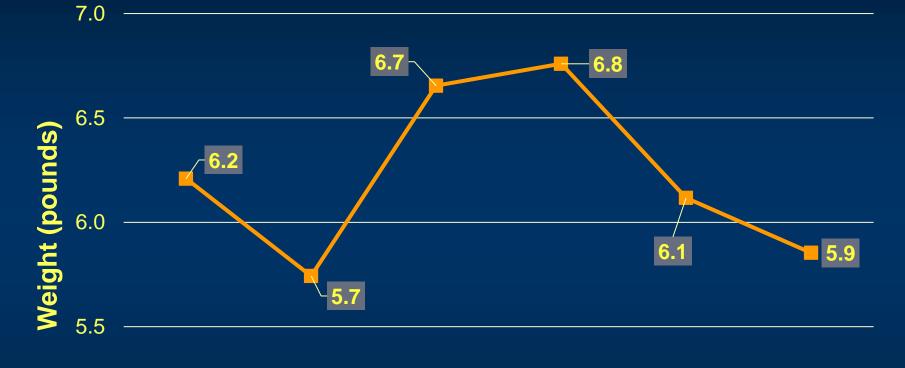
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Area	Number of snapper per angler trip	Pounds of snapper per angler trip
Federal	1.30	8.45
State	0.57	2.86

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Red Snapper Mean Weight Private Anglers

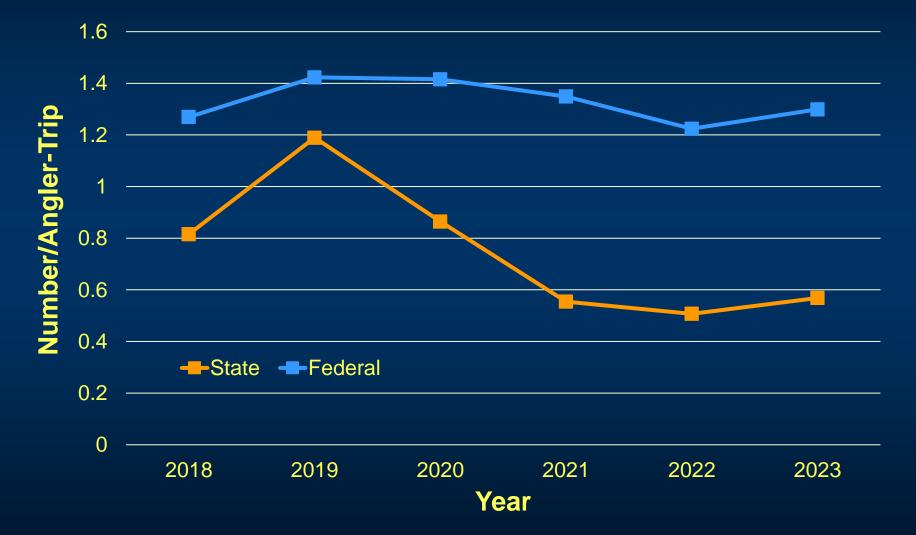






Red Snapper CPUE Private Anglers







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

