

The Louisiana Senior Anglers Report

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The Louisiana Senior Anglers Report

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) manages the state's animal and piscine resources for a diverse array of commercial and recreational resident and non-resident individuals and businesses. One select group among current users who attract some special attention from LDWF managers are "senior sportsmen", hunters and anglers of the age 60 and above. Sportsmen in this age group have often developed particular perspectives and preferences from years of experience in the field. Information regarding the practices, preferences, and perspectives of Louisiana resident senior anglers and hunters should assist managers in forming programs and strategies that address this age groups needs and concerns.

Personnel from the LDWF Office of Wildlife, Office of Fisheries, and the Socioeconomic Research and Development Section developed a 19-item questionnaire as part of a survey of senior sportsmen conducted in 2005. The questionnaire was divided into three sections: one soliciting information regarding the respondents' employment status and place of residence (by ZIP code), one concerning the respondents' hunting activities, and one related to their recreational fishing activities. All questions pertained to the respondents' activities in the calendar year 2004 or in the 2004-2005 hunting season.

The questionnaire was sent to 10,000 individuals who held LDWF Senior Licenses acquired between July 1, 2004 and January 31, 2005. Senior licenses are required of all hunters and anglers, sixty years old and older, born on or after June 1, 1940. (Hunters and anglers born before June 1, 1940 are not required to hold licenses. Due to a lack of contact information for individuals in this age category, sportsmen born before June 1, 1940 are not included in this survey.)

The survey was conducted according to the probability proportional to size sampling methodology in selecting a sample unit proportional to size of the population of senior license holders in the sampling time period (June 1, 2004 – January 31, 2005). Table 1 presents a complete count of senior license holders and sampled sportsmen by parish grouped by Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Inland Fisheries Division Districts.

Of the 10,000 surveys mailed on March 15, 2005, 492 were returned by the U.S Postal Service as undeliverable for an adjusted sample of 9,508. Four thousand nine hundred ninety two (4,392) returned usable surveys, yielding a response rate of 46.3 percent.

The survey respondents' places of residence were determined by ZIP code. The appropriate parishes for these places of residence were identified and grouped by parish and Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Inland Fisheries Division districts (Table 2 and Figure 1).

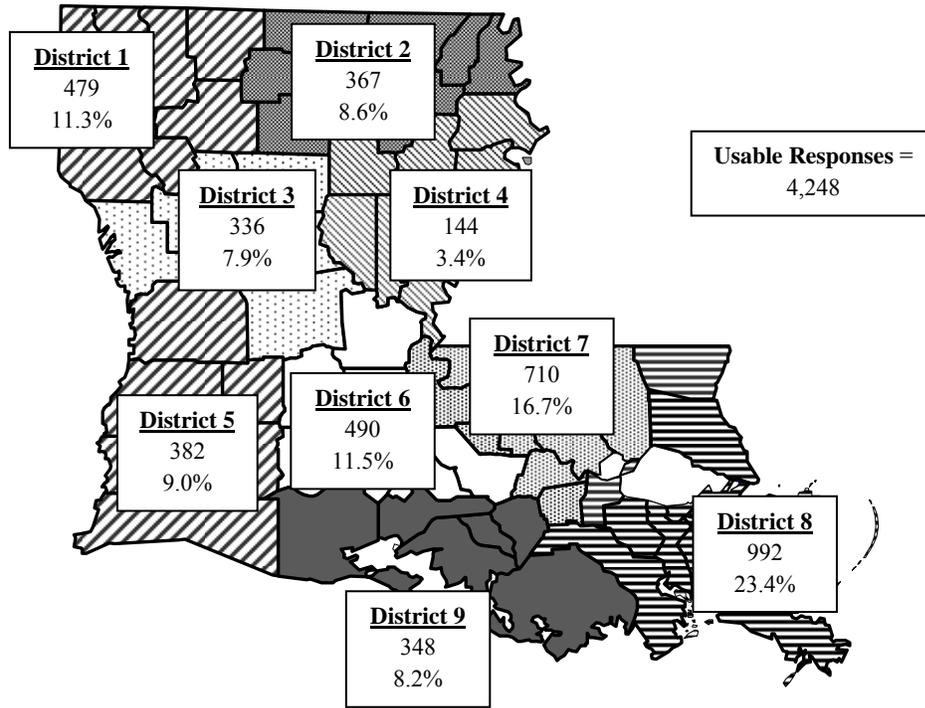
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	License Count	Percent	Sample Size		License Count	Percent	Sample Size		License Count	Percent	Sample Size		
District 1					District 2					District 3			
Bienville	174	0.56	56		East Carroll	43	0.14	14		Grant	280	0.90	90
Bossier	649	2.09	209		Jackson	190	0.61	61		Natchitoches	337	1.09	109
Caddo	1,451	4.68	468		Lincoln	287	0.93	93		Rapides	1,199	3.87	387
Claiborne	150	0.48	48		Morehouse	320	1.03	103		Sabine	400	1.29	129
DeSoto	288	0.93	93		Ouachita	1,152	3.71	371		Winn	192	0.62	62
Red River	86	0.28	28		Richland	205	0.66	66					
Webster	432	1.39	139		Union	346	1.12	112					
					West Carroll	160	0.52	52					
District Total	3,230	10.41	1,041		District Total	2,703	8.72	872		District Total	2,408	7.77	777
District 4					District 5					District 6			
Caldwell	150	0.48	48		Allen	230	0.74	74		Acadia	413	1.33	133
Catahoula	135	0.44	44		Beauregard	418	1.35	135		Avoyelles	469	1.51	151
Concordia	238	0.77	77		Calcasieu	1,550	5.00	500		Evangeline	338	1.09	109
Franklin	201	0.65	65		Cameron	81	0.26	26		Iberville	248	0.80	80
LaSalle	192	0.62	62		Jefferson Davis	248	0.80	80		Lafayette	1,088	3.51	351
Madison	92	0.30	30		Vernon	442	1.43	143		St. Landry	719	2.32	232
Tensas	75	0.24	24						St. Martin	333	1.07	107	
District Total	1,083		350		District Total	2,969	9.58	958		District Total	3,608	11.63	1,163
District 7					District 8					District 9			
Ascension	606	1.95	195		Jefferson	2,429	7.83	783		Assumption	212	0.68	68
E. Baton Rouge	1,998	6.44	644		Lafourche	837	2.70	270		Iberia	500	1.61	161
E. Feliciana	197	0.64	64		Orleans	1,082	3.49	349		St. Mary	507	1.63	163
Livingston	769	2.48	248		Plaquemines	258	0.83	83		Terrebonne	1,041	3.36	336
Pointe Coupee	234	0.75	75		St. Bernard	400	1.29	129		Vermilion	442	1.45	145
St. Helena	44	0.14	14										
St. James	165	0.53	53		St. Charles	341	1.10	110					
St. John the Baptist	250	0.81	81		St. Tammany	1,444	4.66	466					
Tangipahoa	649	2.09	209		Washington	344	1.11	111					
W. Baton Rouge	179	0.58	58										
W. Feliciana	74	0.24	24										
District Total	5,165	16.65	1,665		District Total	7,135	23.01	2,301		District Total	2,702	8.73	873

**Table 2. Parish of Residence for 2005 Louisiana Senior Sportsman Survey Respondents
(Grouped by LDWF Inland Fisheries Districts)**

District 1		District 2		District 3	
Bienville	22	East Carroll	3	Grant	35
Bossier	114	Jackson	32	Natchitoches	49
Caddo	209	Lincoln	39	Rapides	176
Claiborne	26	Morehouse	36	Sabine	57
DeSoto	40	Ouachita	170	Winn	19
Red River	7	Richland	34		
Webster	61	Union	39		
		West Carroll	14		
District Total	479	District Total	367	District Total	336
District 4		District 5		District 6	
Caldwell	17	Allen	27	Acadia	49
Catahoula	19	Beauregard	57	Avoyelles	53
Concordia	32	Calcasieu	201	Evangeline	40
Franklin	25	Cameron	6	Iberville	40
LaSalle	26	Jefferson Davis	32	Lafayette	170
Madison	15	Vernon	59	Saint Landry	88
Tensas	10			St. Martin	50
District Total	144	District Total	382	District Total	490
District 7		District 8		District 9	
Ascension	94	Jefferson	337	Assumption	33
E. Baton Rouge	299	Lafourche	122	Iberia	75
E. Feliciana	28	Orleans	128	Saint Mary	61
Livingston	98	Plaquemines	36	Terrebonne	127
Pointe Coupee	33	Saint Bernard	64	Vermilion	52
St. Helena	5	Saint Charles	50		
St. James	17	Saint Tammany	208		
St. John the Baptist	31	Washington	47		
Tangipahoa	71				
W. Baton Rouge	21				
W. Feliciana	13				
District Total	710	District Total	992	District Total	348

Figure 1. Residence of 2005 Louisiana Senior Sportsman Survey Respondents, by LDWF Inland Fisheries Division District



Previous Research on Louisiana Senior Hunters

Of the 4,392 completed surveys, 2,003 (45.6 percent) reported hunting in Louisiana during the 2004-2005 hunting season. A thorough analysis of these “senior hunters” is presented in a separate report.¹

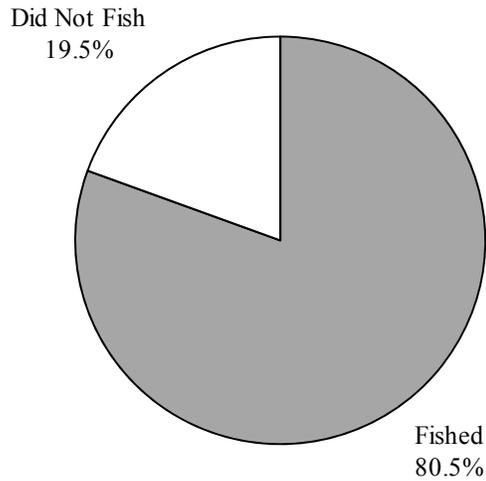
Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

Approximately four-fifths (80.5 percent) of the survey respondents reported fishing in Louisiana in the 2004 calendar year (Figure 2). These 3,536 respondents were classified as “active Louisiana senior anglers” and were treated as the basis of all further analysis in this report.²

¹ *The 2005 Louisiana Senior Sportsmen Survey Hunting Report*, LDWF SRD Publication, Number 12 (October, 2007)

² The respondents who did not report fishing in Louisiana in 2004 were considered “non-active senior anglers” for the purposes of this report and were excluded from further analysis although many may possibly fish in Louisiana in other years.

Figure 2. Fishing in Louisiana in Calendar Year 2004 by All Survey Respondents

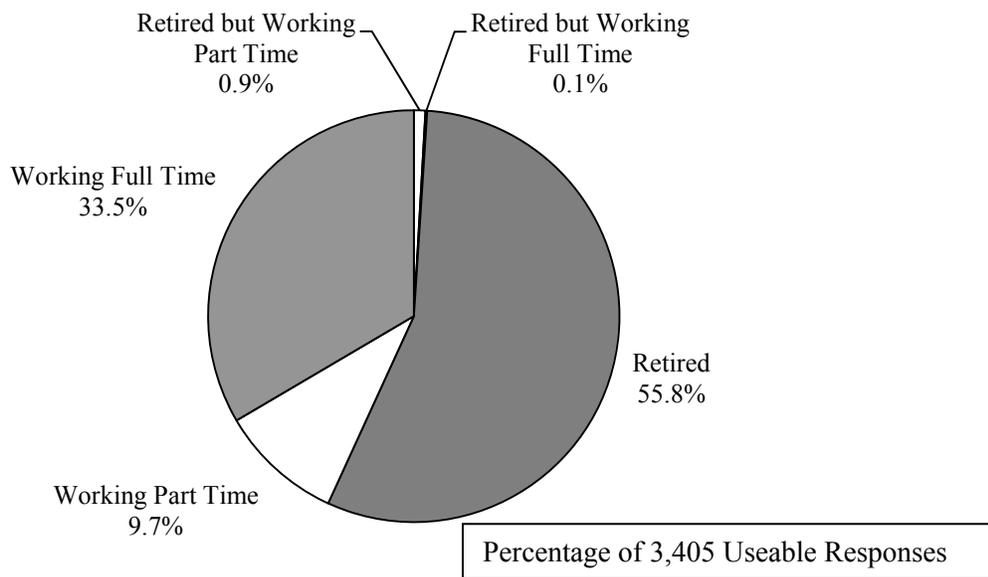


Employment Status of Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

Survey respondents were asked to identify their work status as full-time employed, part-time employed, or retired. An awareness of the employment status is relevant as it pertains to the amount of time that recreationists in this age cohort may have available to pursue hunting and fishing activities.

The majority (55.8 percent) of active Louisiana senior anglers are retired (Figure 3). Approximately one-third are engaged in full-time employment. Interesting, a small portion of the respondents consider themselves retired but nevertheless engaged in part-time or full-time employment.

Figure 3. Employment Situation of Active Louisiana Senior Anglers



Hunting by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

Approximately two-fifths (41.6 percent) of the active Louisiana senior anglers reported hunting in Louisiana during the 2004-2005 hunting season (Figure 4). Thus, almost one-third of the survey respondents were both active anglers and active hunters.

The most common type of hunting among active Louisiana senior anglers was deer hunting (Figure 5), followed by small game hunting. Deer were pursued by 29.0 percent of all active senior anglers (and 70.0 percent of active senior anglers-hunters), small game by 27.9 percent of all active senior anglers (67.0 percent of all active senior anglers-hunters), and turkey by 13.2 percent of all active senior anglers (31.6 percent of all active senior anglers-hunters).

Figure 4. Hunting by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers in Louisiana during the 2004-2005 Hunting Season

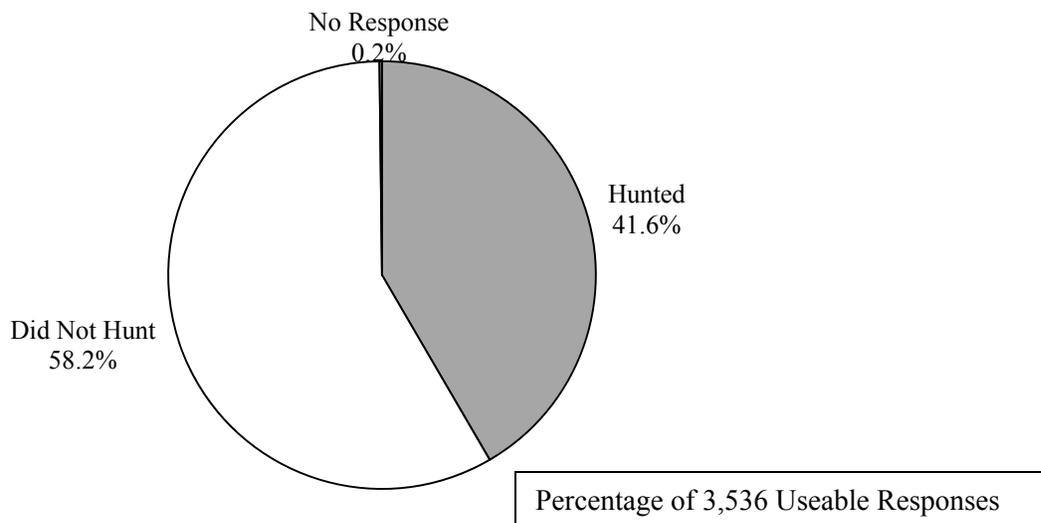
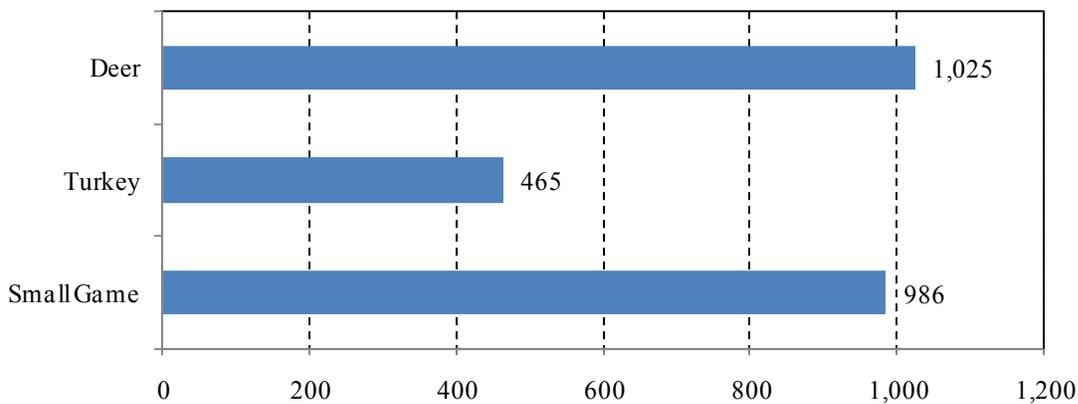


Figure 5. Type of Hunting by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during the 2004-2005 Hunting Season



Fishing Participation by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers in 2004

Over three-quarters (78.0%) of the active Louisiana senior anglers reported fishing in freshwater for at least one day in calendar year 2004 (Figure 6). The average number of freshwater fishing days among all active Louisiana senior anglers (Figure 3) was 21.43 days; the median was ten (10). The difference between the average and the median suggests that there is a considerable amount of “skew” or lopsidedness within the sample. More specifically, the difference implies that the majority of respondents report a number of freshwater fishing days lower than the sample average which is “pulled up” by a relatively small number of respondents who report a very large number of freshwater fishing days. An examination of the distribution of the responses (Figure 7) reveals an extremely lopsided distribution and not a normal or bell curve distribution centered about the sample average. In such a case, the median may be a better “measure of central tendency” than the sample average.

This skew or lopsidedness is reduced but not eliminated when active Louisiana senior anglers who did not fish in freshwater are excluded. The average number of freshwater fishing days among those respondents who reported freshwater fishing for at least one day in 2004 was 26.36 days (Table 3). The median number of freshwater fishing days among those who fished at least one day in freshwater was 15. The difference between the average and median, even among this more narrowly defined segment of senior anglers, remains relatively large.

Figure 6. Participation in Freshwater Fishing by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers in Calendar Year 2004

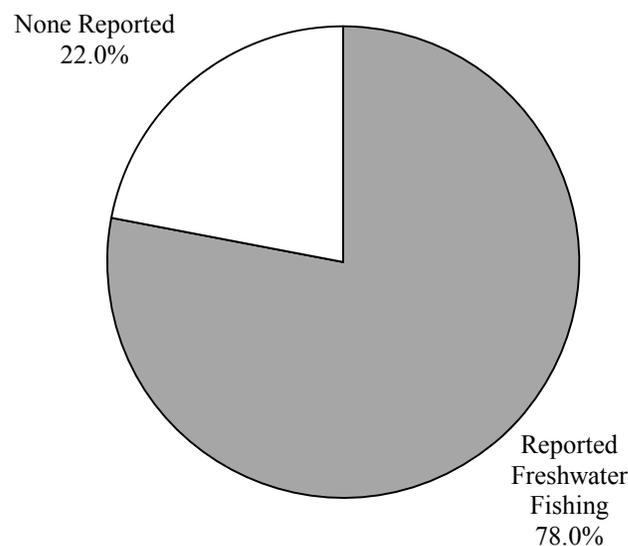
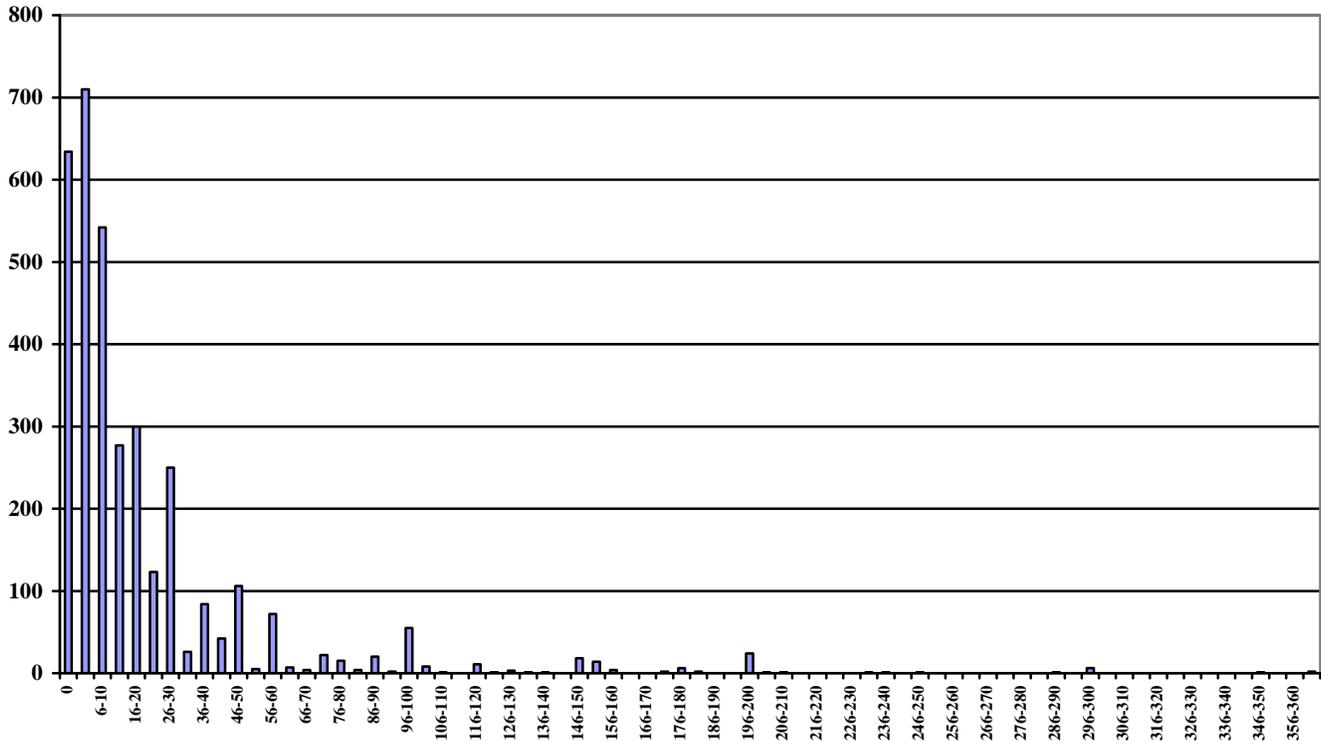


Table 3. Distribution of Freshwater Fishing Days in Louisiana by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during Calendar Year 2004

For all usable responses including “zero’s”						
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
3,392	0	365	21.43	10	0	1,279.73
For all usable responses excluding “zero’s”						
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
2,758	1	365	26.36	15	10	1,444.40

Figure 7. Distribution of Freshwater Fishing Days among Senior Anglers



Participation in freshwater fishing by active Louisiana senior anglers was comparable to that of Louisiana resident anglers overall. In 2001 and 2006, respectively, 70.8 percent and 80.0 percent of all Louisiana resident anglers fished in freshwater, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s *National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (USFWS National Survey)*. The average number of freshwater fishing days among active Louisiana senior anglers (21.43 days) exceeded the average number of freshwater fishing days in Louisiana by all Louisiana resident anglers in 2001 (15 days) and 2006 (18 days) estimated by the USFWS *National Survey*.

Nearly half (49.2 percent) of the active Louisiana senior anglers reported fishing in saltwater for at least one day in calendar year 2004 (Figure 8). The percentage of active Louisiana senior anglers who fished in saltwater in 2004 was similar to the percentage of all Louisiana resident anglers who fished in saltwater in Louisiana in 2001 (51.0 percent) and 2006 (40.5 percent), as estimated by the USFWS *National Survey*.

The average number of saltwater fishing days among all active Louisiana senior anglers was 8.68 days (Table 4). The median number of saltwater fishing days among all active Louisiana senior anglers was considerably less, one day. Again the difference between the sample and average and the sample mean suggests a considerable degree of “skew” within the sample, a lopsidedness that is further suggested by the lopsided sample distribution demonstrated in Figure 9. Thus the median may be more representative than the average as a measure of central tendency.

When senior anglers who did not fish in saltwater are excluded, the average and median both rise but evidence of a skewed sample remains. The average number of saltwater fishing days among those respondents who reported saltwater fishing for at least one day in 2004 was 17.10 days (Table 4); the median was 10 days.

The average number of saltwater fishing days by all active Louisiana senior anglers (8.68 days) is somewhat lower than the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s estimates of the average number of saltwater fishing days in Louisiana by all Louisiana resident anglers in 2001 (11 days) and 2006 (10 days).

Figure 8. Participation in Saltwater Fishing by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers in Calendar Year 2004

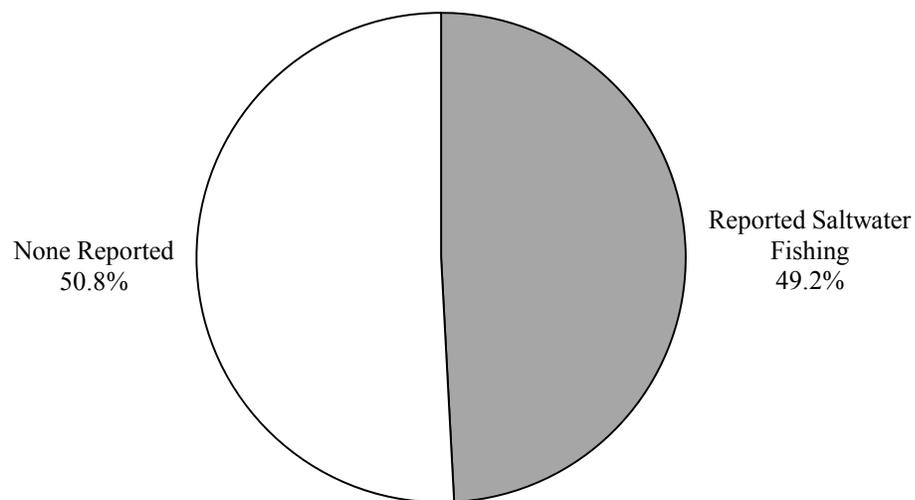


Table 4. Distribution of Saltwater Fishing Days in Louisiana by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during Calendar Year 2004

For all usable responses including “zero’s”						
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
3,420	0	365	8.68	1	0	373.96
For all usable responses excluding “zero’s”						
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
1,738	1	365	17.10	10	10	592.25

Figure 9. Distribution of Saltwater Fishing Days among Active Senior Anglers

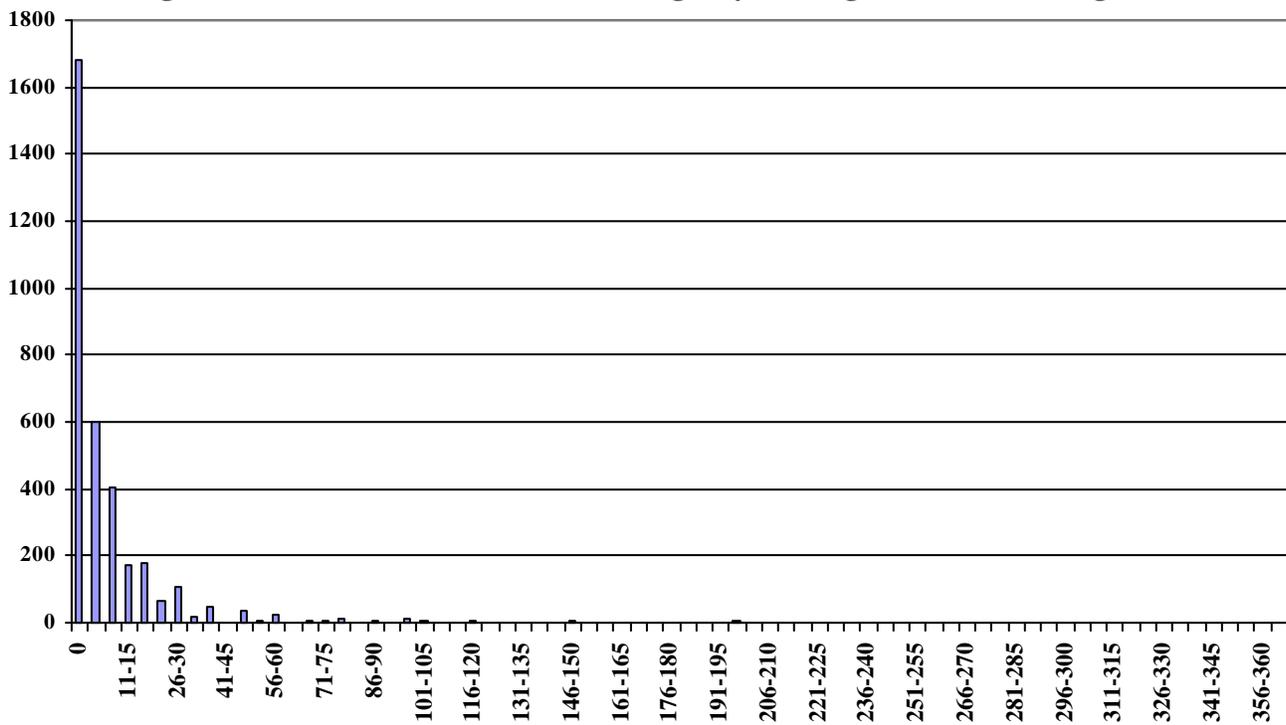


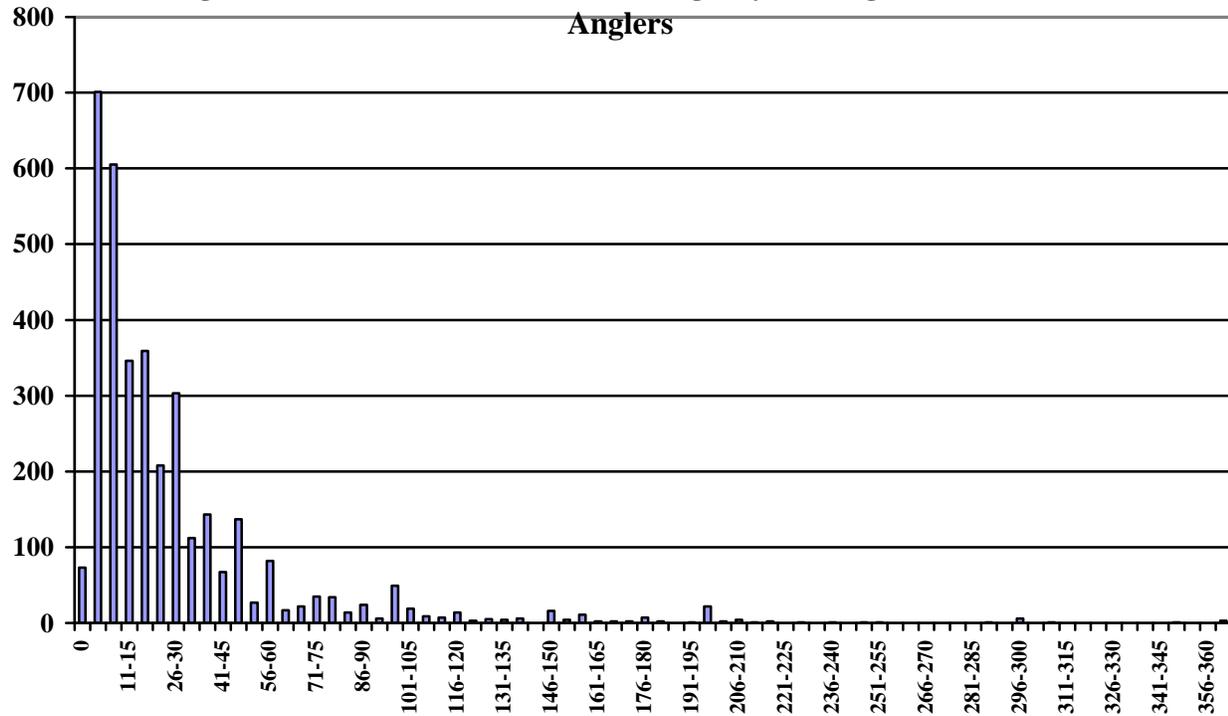
Table 5 combines the responses to the questions regarding the number of freshwater fishing days and saltwater fishing days to produce the number of days spent fishing in Louisiana by active Louisiana senior anglers in calendar year 2004. The average number of fishing days (freshwater and saltwater) in Louisiana by active Louisiana senior anglers was 29.53 days. This is higher than the average number of days of fishing in Louisiana by all Louisiana resident anglers in 2001 (15) and 2006 (18 days) as reported in the USFWS *National Survey*.

As with freshwater fishing days and saltwater fishing days, the distribution of total fishing days among Louisiana senior anglers (Figure 11) suggests a marked degree of skew or lopsidedness. Thus, the median (10 days) may be preferred over the average as a measure of central tendency.

Table 5. Distribution of Fishing Days in Louisiana by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during Calendar Year 2004 (Freshwater and Saltwater)

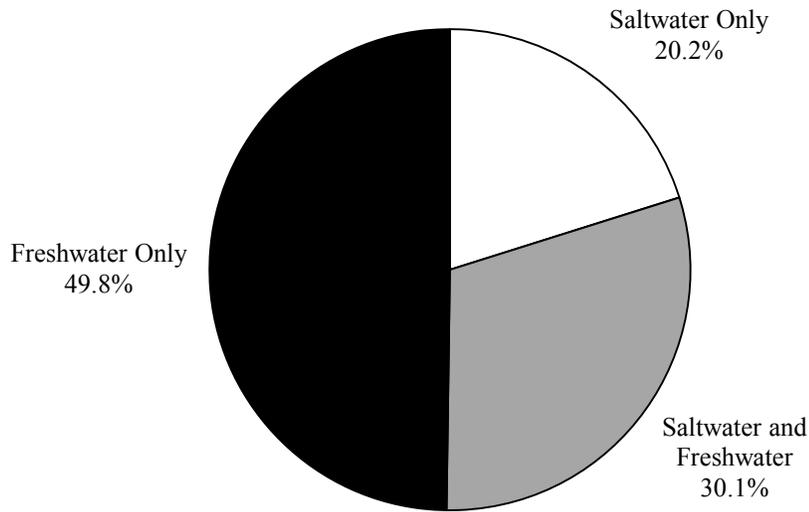
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
3,454	1	365	29.53	19	10	1,493.54

Figure 10. Distribution of Total Fishing Days among Active Senior Anglers



Respondents were classified by the types of angling activities in which they participated: freshwater only, saltwater only, or freshwater and saltwater only (Figure 11). Respondents who reported at least one day of saltwater fishing but no days of freshwater fishing (approximately 20 percent) were identified as “saltwater only” senior anglers. Those who went fishing for at least one day in freshwater but no days in saltwater were classified as “freshwater only” anglers (approximately 30 percent). Nearly one-half (49.8 percent) of active Louisiana senior anglers reported at least one day of fishing in freshwater and one day of fishing in saltwater and were thus considered “saltwater and freshwater” anglers.

Figure 11. Types of Fishing Participation by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers in Calendar Year 2004



The average active Louisiana senior angler who participated in both saltwater and freshwater fishing was apparently more active than those who fished only in freshwater and only in saltwater. The average “saltwater and freshwater” angler fished 36.76 days (Table 6) while the average “freshwater only” angler fished 29.92 days (Table 7) and the average “saltwater only” angler fished 20.26 days (Table 8).

Table 6. Distribution of Fishing Days by “Saltwater and Freshwater” Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during Calendar Year 2004

Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
1,039	2	307	36.76	26	30	1,432.04

Table 7. Distribution of Fishing Days by “Freshwater Only” Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during Calendar Year 2004

Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
1,719	1	365	29.92	15	10	1,702.56

Table 8. Distribution of Fishing Days by “Saltwater Only” Active Louisiana Senior Anglers during Calendar Year 2004

Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
696	1	365	20.26	10	10	907.73

Freshwater Fishing Activities and Preferences

The questionnaire contained five items related solely to freshwater fishing in addition to the question soliciting the number of freshwater fishing days. Respondents who did not engage in freshwater fishing in Louisiana during the 2004 calendar year were asked to skip these questions.

The places of residence of active Louisiana senior anglers who participated in at least one day of freshwater fishing in 2004 were identified by the respondents' ZIP codes. These places of residence were grouped by parish and Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Inland Fisheries Division districts (Figure 12 and Table 9). More active senior freshwater angler respondents resided in East Baton Rouge Parish (180) than in any other single parish. Inland Fisheries District 7, which encompasses East Baton Rouge Parish, contained more active freshwater senior anglers than any other district (479), slightly more than District 8 (475) in the New Orleans area.

These two southeastern Districts (Seven and Eight) contain about one-third (35.7 percent) of all active senior freshwater angler respondents. A similar percent (35.4 percent) resided in northern Districts One through Four. Roughly one-quarter (28.9 percent) resided in southwestern District Five, Six, and Nine.

Figure 12. Residence of Active Louisiana Senior Angler Respondents Who Participated in Freshwater Fishing in 2004, by LDWF Inland Fisheries Division District

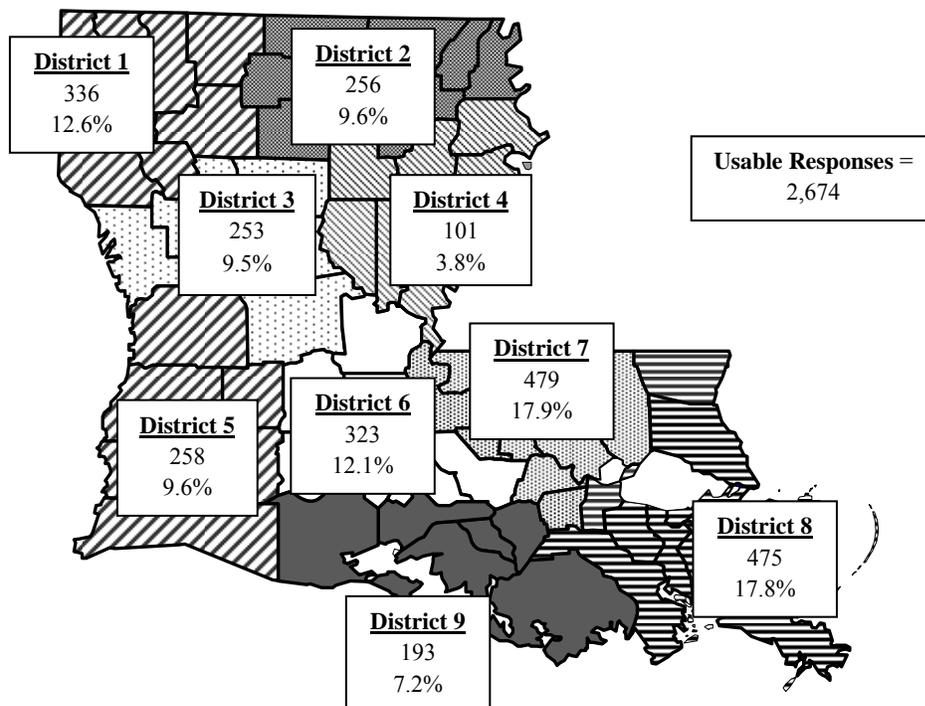


Table 9. Parish of Residence of Active Louisiana Senior Angler Respondents Who Participated in Freshwater Fishing during 2004 (Grouped by LDWF Inland Fisheries Districts)

District 1		District 2		District 3	
Bienville	18	East Carroll	3	Grant	31
Bossier	61	Jackson	18	Natchitoches	39
Caddo	162	Lincoln	22	Rapides	126
Claiborne	18	Morehouse	24	Sabine	42
DeSoto	30	Ouachita	124	Winn	15
Red River	5	Richland	25		
Webster	42	Union	30		
		West Carroll	10		
District Total	336	District Total	256	District Total	253
District 4		District 5		District 6	
Caldwell	13	Allen	16	Acadia	31
Catahoula	12	Beauregard	37	Avoyelles	38
Concordia	27	Calcasieu	142	Evangeline	29
Franklin	15	Cameron	3	Iberville	25
LaSalle	16	Jefferson Davis	19	Lafayette	102
Madison	11	Vernon	41	Saint Landry	59
Tensas	7			St. Martin	39
District Total	101	District Total	258	District Total	323
District 7		District 8		District 9	
Ascension	86	Jefferson	136	Assumption	24
E. Baton Rouge	180	Lafourche	68	Iberia	36
E. Feliciana	17	Orleans	62	Saint Mary	41
Livingston	67	Plaquemines	13	Terrebonne	55
Pointe Coupee	26	Saint Bernard	27	Vermilion	37
St. Helena	2	Saint Charles	37		
St. James	14	Saint Tammany	97		
St. John the Baptist	22	Washington	35		
Tangipahoa	44				
W. Baton Rouge	13				
W. Feliciana	8				
District Total	479	District Total	475	District Total	193

The geographic distribution, based on the percentage residing in each of the nine districts, for active senior freshwater anglers is significantly different ($\chi^2_{(df=8)} = 37.98$) from that of the senior-license holding population overall (See Figure 1). Though the percentage for most regions is similar to that of the survey population, the percentage of active senior freshwater anglers residing in District 8 (17.8 percent) is lower than the percentage of the survey population residing in that area.

Active freshwater anglers were asked how many miles (one way) he or she traveled to reach his or her freshwater fishing location during 2004 (Table 10). The average distance traveled (one-way) was 43.16 miles. The median one-way distance was 20 miles. One hundred twenty-two respondents reported a travel distance of “zero” miles, suggesting that they live on or close to a body of water.

Nineteen respondents reported travel distances of 500 miles or more. As these distances were treated as somewhat extreme³, they were excluded to calculate an adjusted average and median value of travel distances. The adjusted average one-way distance travelled, omitting responses of 500 miles or more, was 33.67 miles.

Table 10. Distribution of Travel Distances of Active Louisiana Senior Anglers to Their Freshwater Fishing Locations during 2004 (Average Miles Traveled (One-Way))

For all responses						
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
2,693	0	4,600	43.16	20	20	22,552.73
For all usable responses excluding distances of 500 miles or more						
Number	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median	Mode	Variance
2,674	0	400	33.67	20	20	1,772.39

Active freshwater anglers were asked how many fish they kept on a typical freshwater fishing trip (Figure 13) according to five determined categories: zero to five fish; six to ten fish; eleven to fifteen fish; sixteen to twenty fish; or more than twenty fish. Approximately three-eighths (38.3 percent) reported keeping five or fewer and approximately one-quarter kept between six and ten fish. (A small number of respondents, 17, reported catching “the limit”, a number that can vary depending on species and other parameters.)

Active Louisiana senior anglers reported a high utilization of boats for freshwater fishing trips (Figure 14). Nearly three-quarters (71.3 percent) frequently or always used a boat when freshwater fishing.

Respondents were asked how often they take youths (younger than 16 years old) on their freshwater fishing trips (Figure 15). One-fifth “always” or “frequently” take youths on their freshwater fishing trips. Approximately twice that proportion (44.9 percent) “rarely” or “never” take youths on their freshwater fishing trips.

³ According to Yahoo maps, the distance from Rodessa, Louisiana, in the northwestern corner of the state to Venice, Louisiana, in the southeastern corner of the state was 460.43 miles

Figure 13. Number of Fish Kept by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers on a Typical Freshwater Fishing Trip

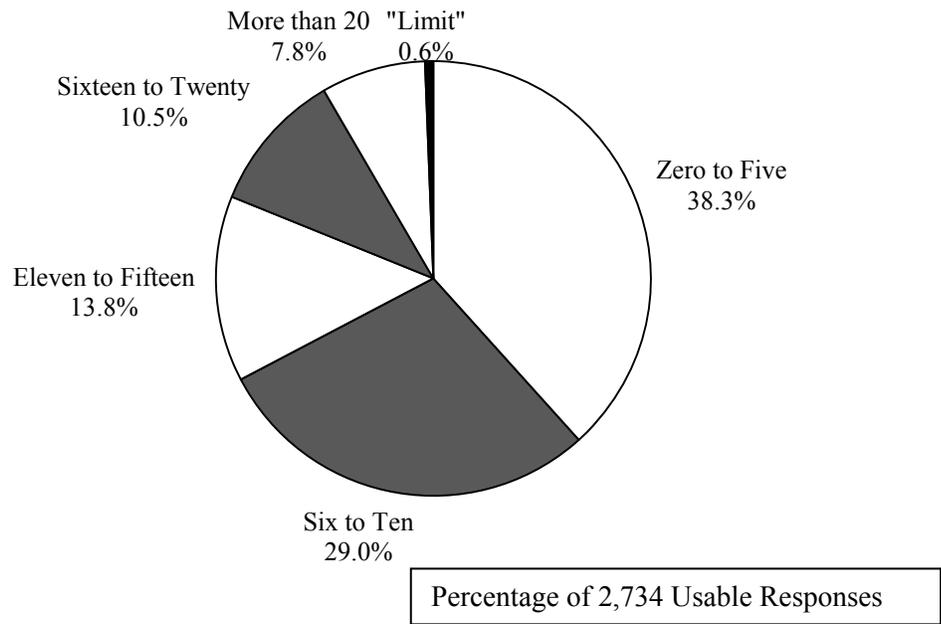


Figure 14. Frequency of Boat Use by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers When Freshwater Fishing

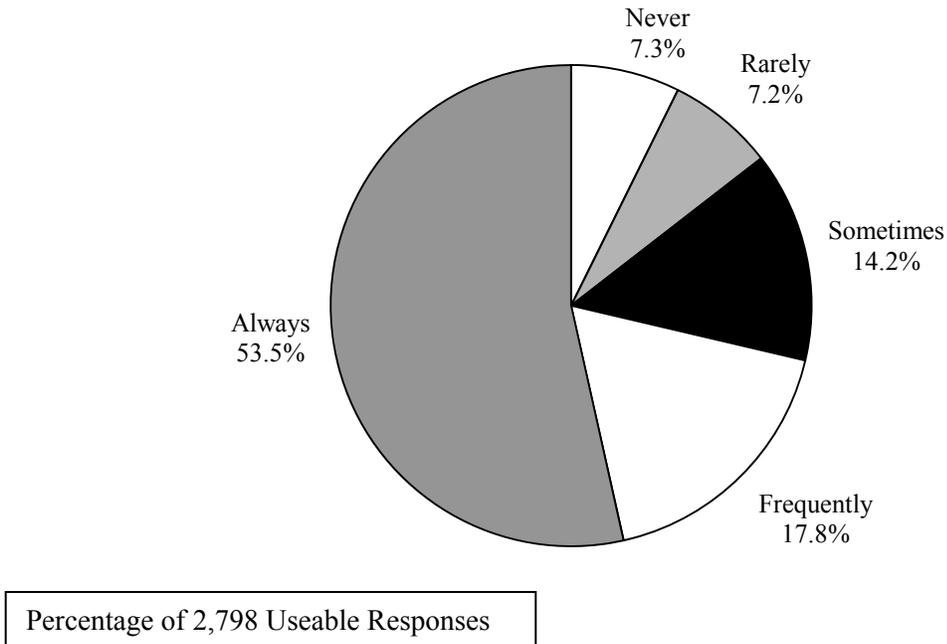
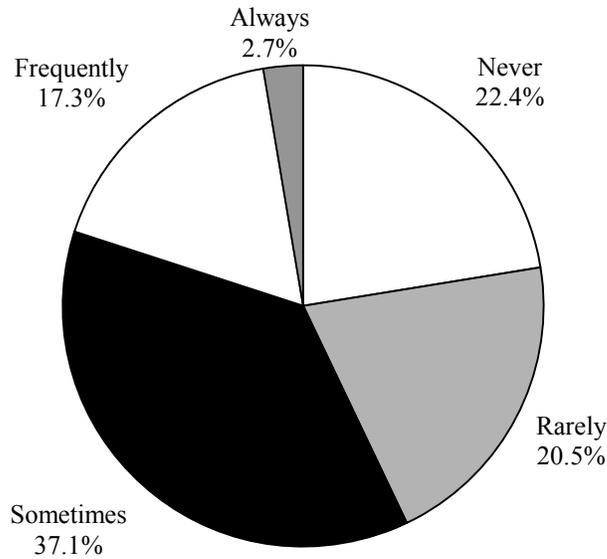


Figure 15. Frequency of Taking Youth(s) (under the Age of 16) Fishing on Freshwater Fishing Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

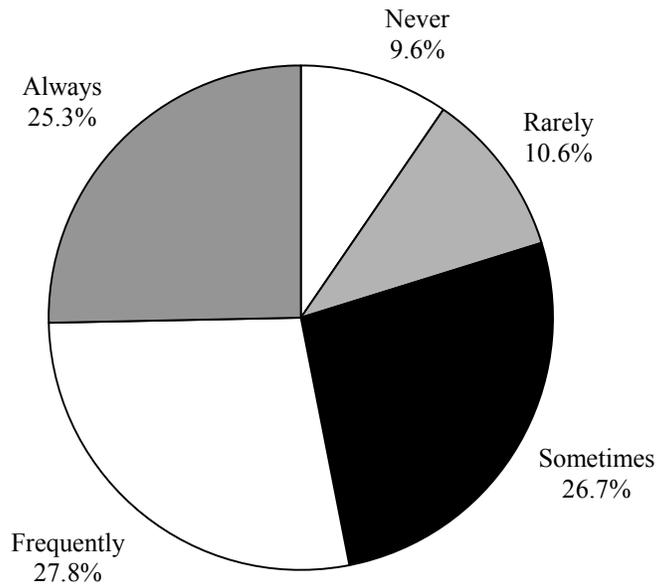


Percentage of 2,785 Useable Responses

The questionnaire included one question aimed at soliciting the frequency that respondents targeted four specific species: bass (Figure 16), crappie (Figure 17), sunfish or bluegill (Figure 18), and catfish (Figure 19). Respondents were asked how frequently they fish for each of these species, using a five-point Likert scale ranging from “never” to “always.” This item was fairly complex and experiences fairly high non-response rates which ranged from approximately 14 percent for bass to 21 percent for sunfish.

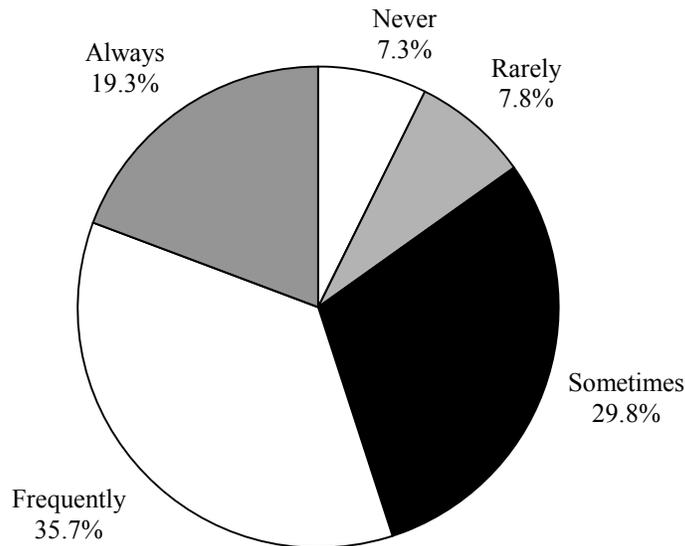
Bass and crappie are the most frequently targeted freshwater species among active Louisiana senior anglers. One quarter (25.3 percent) of survey respondents “always” and an additional one-quarter (27.8 percent) “frequently” fish for bass. Approximately one-fifth (19.3 percent) of survey respondents “always” fish for crappie. An additional one-third (35.7 percent) “frequently” fish for this species. Smaller percentages “always” target sunfish or bluegill (17.5 percent) and catfish (15.3 percent).

Figure 16. Frequency of Freshwater Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers Targeting Bass



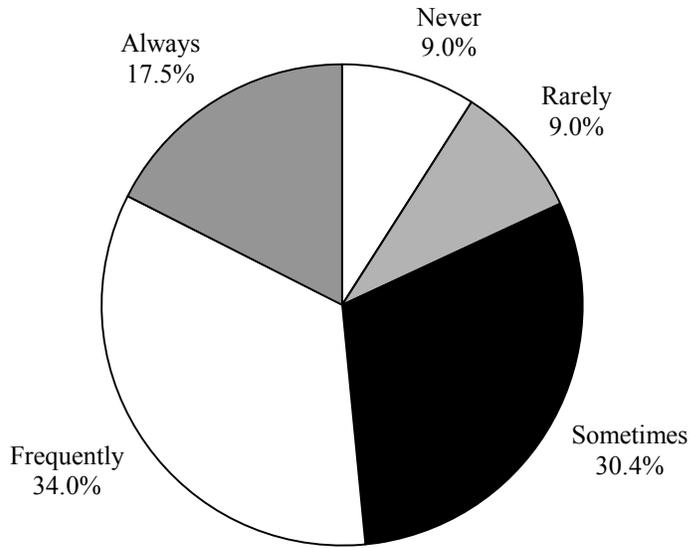
Percentage of 2,385 Usable Responses

Figure 17. Frequency of Freshwater Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers Targeting Crappie



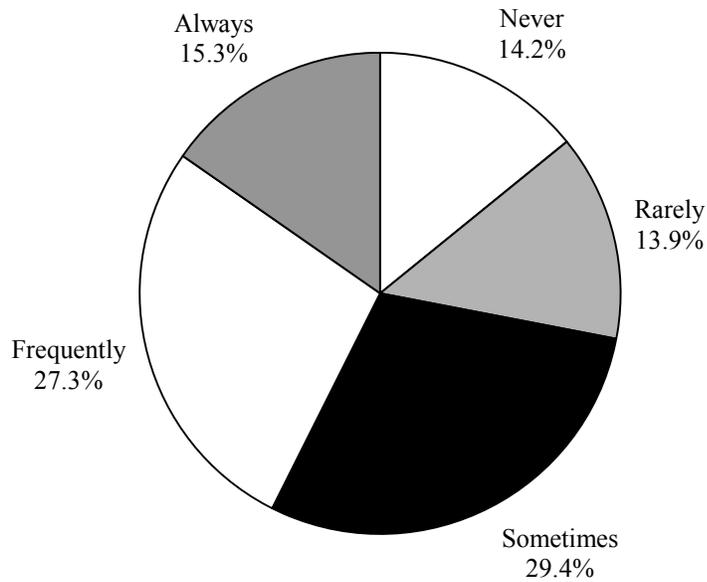
Percentage of 2,349 Usable Responses

Figure 18. Frequency of Freshwater Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers Targeting Sunfish or Bluegill



Percentage of 2,167 Usable Responses

Figure 19. Frequency of Freshwater Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers Targeting Catfish



Percentage of 2,212 Usable Responses

Saltwater Fishing Activities and Preferences

The questionnaire contained four items related solely to saltwater fishing in addition to the question soliciting the number of saltwater fishing days. Respondents who did not engage in saltwater fishing in Louisiana during the calendar year 2004 were asked to skip these questions.

Respondents' ZIP codes were used to identify the place of residence of active Louisiana senior anglers who participated in at least one day of saltwater fishing in 2004 (Figure 20 and Table 11). More active senior saltwater angler respondents resided in Jefferson Parish (251) than in any other single parish. Nearly half of the respondents resided in District Eight (48.9 percent), New Orleans and its surrounding parishes. Only 6.8 percent lived in the northern Districts One through Four. The geographic distribution of active senior saltwater anglers, concentrated mostly in the southeastern portion of the state, is significantly different from that of the active senior freshwater anglers ($\chi^2_{(df=8)} = 772.62$) and senior license-holding population overall ($\chi^2_{(df=8)} = 630.77$).

Figure 20. Residence of Active Louisiana Senior Angler Respondents Who Participated in Saltwater Fishing in 2004, by LDWF Inland Fisheries Division District

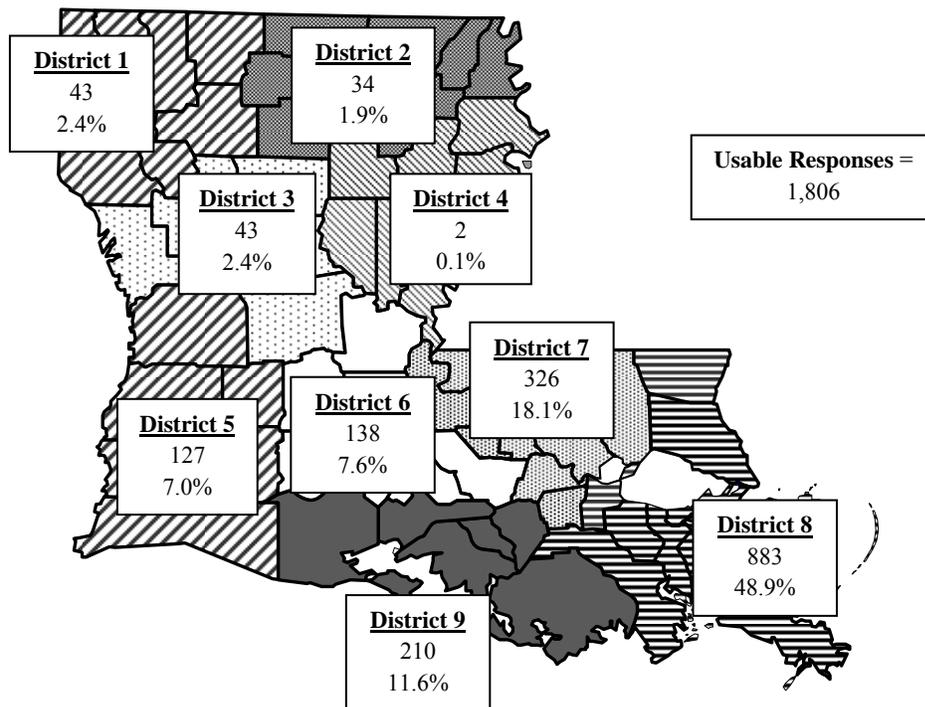


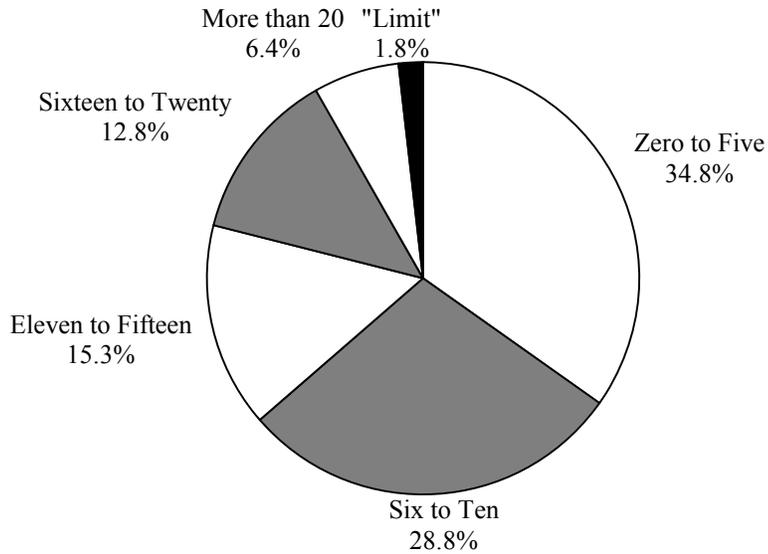
Table 11. Parish of Residence of Active Louisiana Senior Angler Respondents Who Participated in Saltwater Fishing during 2004 (Grouped by LDWF Inland Fisheries Districts)

District 1		District 2		District 3	
Bienville	2	East Carroll	1	Grant	1
Bossier	11	Jackson	1	Natchitoches	10
Caddo	27	Lincoln	7	Rapides	22
Claiborne	0	Morehouse	1	Sabine	7
DeSoto	2	Ouachita	19	Winn	3
Red River	0	Richland	2		
Webster	1	Union	3		
		West Carroll	0		
District Total	43	District Total	34	District Total	43
District 4		District 5		District 6	
Caldwell	1	Allen	6	Acadia	14
Catahoula	0	Beauregard	11	Avoyelles	4
Concordia	1	Calcasieu	95	Evangeline	8
Franklin	0	Cameron	2	Iberville	20
LaSalle	0	Jefferson Davis	7	Lafayette	76
Madison	0	Vernon	6	Saint Landry	17
Tensas	0			St. Martin	16
District Total	2	District Total	127	District Total	138
District 7		District 8		District 9	
Ascension	44	Jefferson	251	Assumption	15
E. Baton Rouge	128	Lafourche	221	Iberia	40
E. Feliciana	10	Orleans	123	Saint Mary	37
Livingston	52	Plaquemines	25	Terrebonne	98
Pointe Coupee	12	Saint Bernard	57	Vermilion	20
St. Helena	0	Saint Charles	35		
St. James	8	Saint Tammany	156		
St. John the Baptist	23	Washington	15		
Tangipahoa	32				
W. Baton Rouge	9				
W. Feliciana	8				
District Total	326	District Total	883	District Total	210

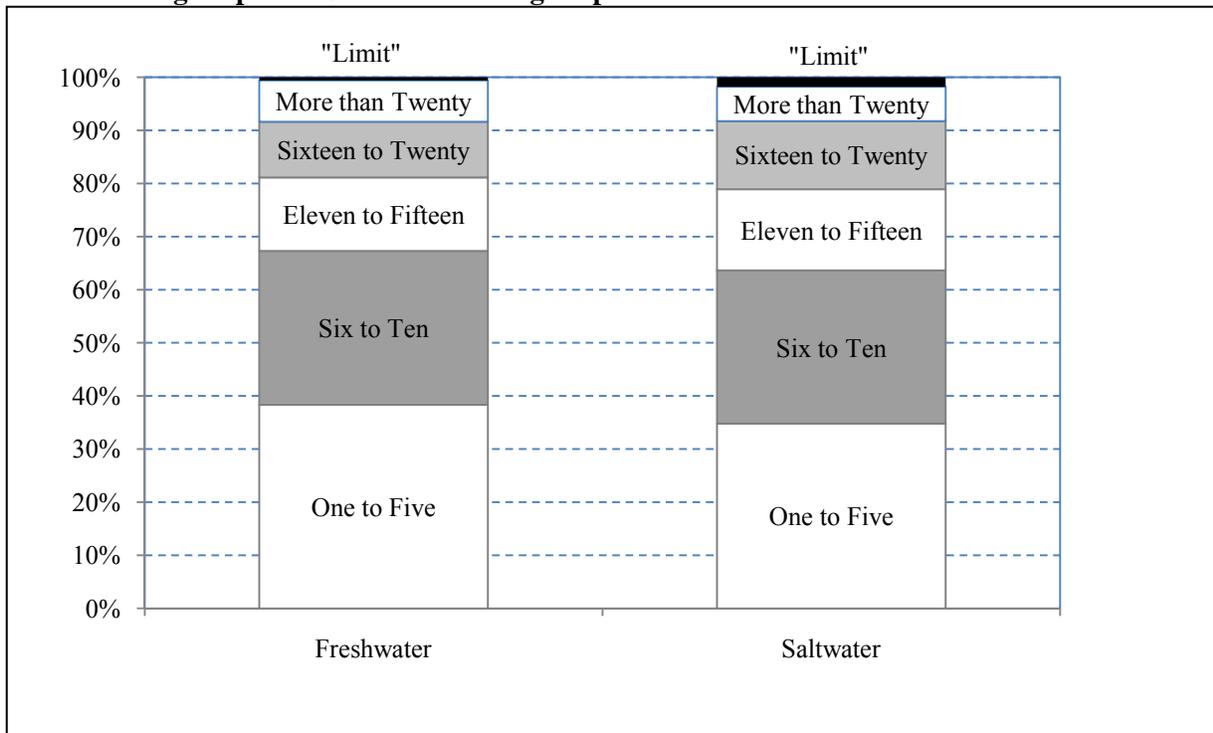
Active saltwater anglers were asked how many fish they kept on a typical saltwater fishing trip using five defined categories: zero to five fish; six to ten fish; eleven to fifteen fish; sixteen to twenty fish; or more than twenty fish (Figure 21). More than one-third (34.8 percent) kept five or fewer fish. An additional one-quarter (28.8 percent) kept six to ten fish. As with active freshwater anglers, a small number (31) of respondents said they caught “the limit”, a number that varies from species to species.

Box 1 compares the responses pertaining to the number of fish kept on a typical saltwater fishing trip to the responses pertaining to the number of fish kept on a typical freshwater fishing trip. The differences between the two are statistically significant ($\chi^2_{(df=5)} = 12.80$). Compared to saltwater fishing trips, a larger percentage of freshwater angler respondents reported keeping a smaller number of fish (between zero and five and six and ten fish per freshwater fishing trips).

Figure 21. Number of Fish Kept by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers on a Typical Saltwater Fishing Trip

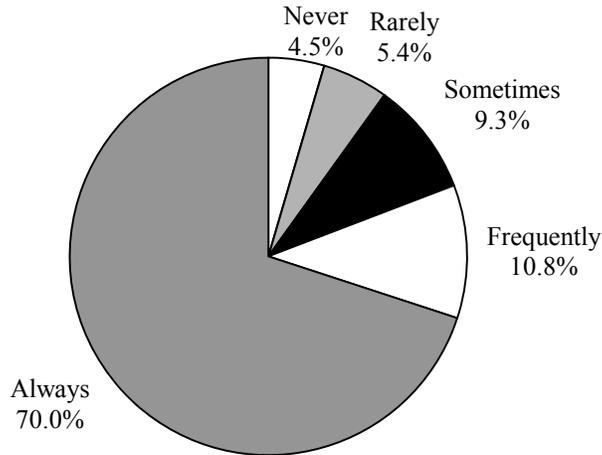


Box 1. Comparing the Number of Fish Kept by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers on Freshwater Fishing Trips and Saltwater Fishing Trips



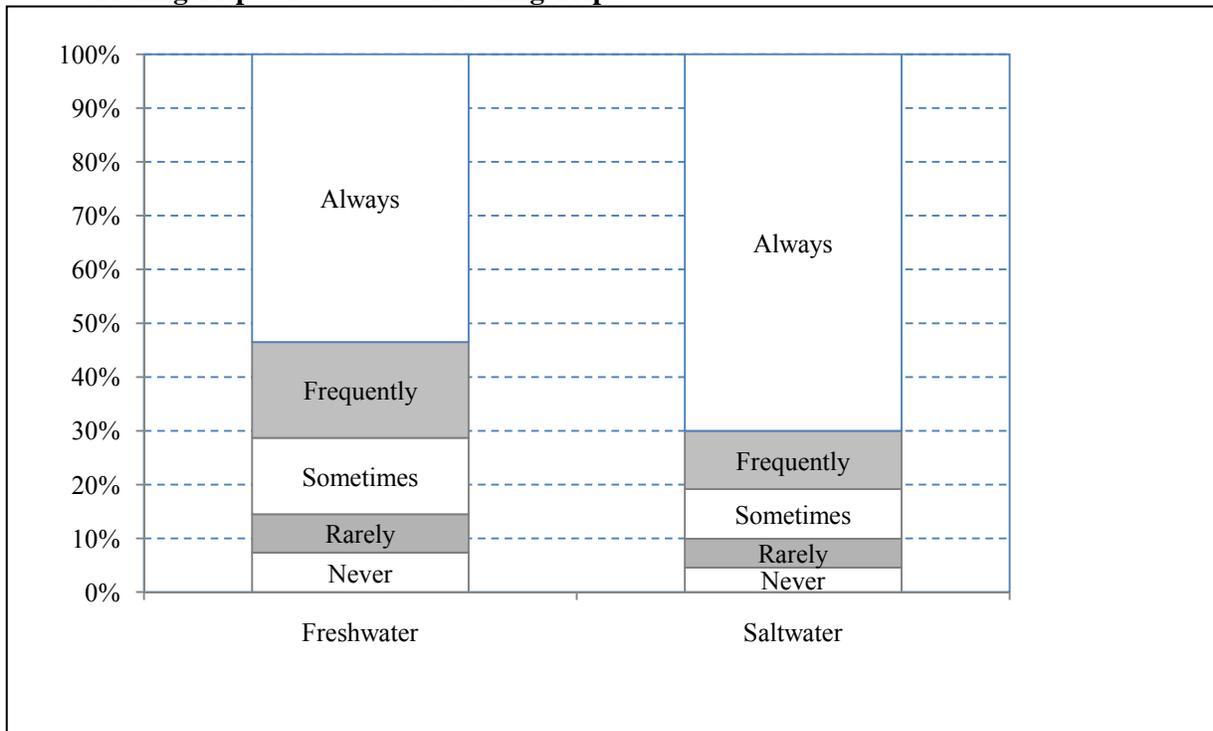
Active senior saltwater anglers were asked how frequently they used a boat when fishing in saltwater (Figure 22). Four-fifths “always” or “frequently” used a boat when saltwater fishing. Boat use on saltwater fishing trips is significantly larger ($\chi^2_{(df=4)} = 124.99$) than boat use on freshwater fishing trips (Box 2).

Figure 22. Frequency of Boat use by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers When Saltwater Fishing



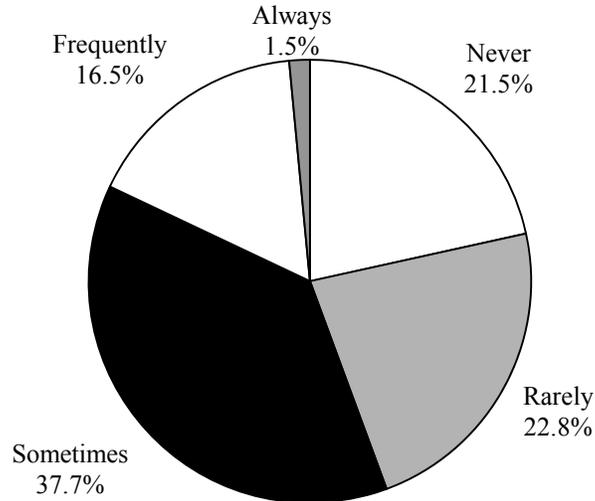
Percentage of 1,762 Usable Responses

Box 2. Comparing the Frequency of Boat Use by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers on Freshwater Fishing Trips and Saltwater Fishing Trips



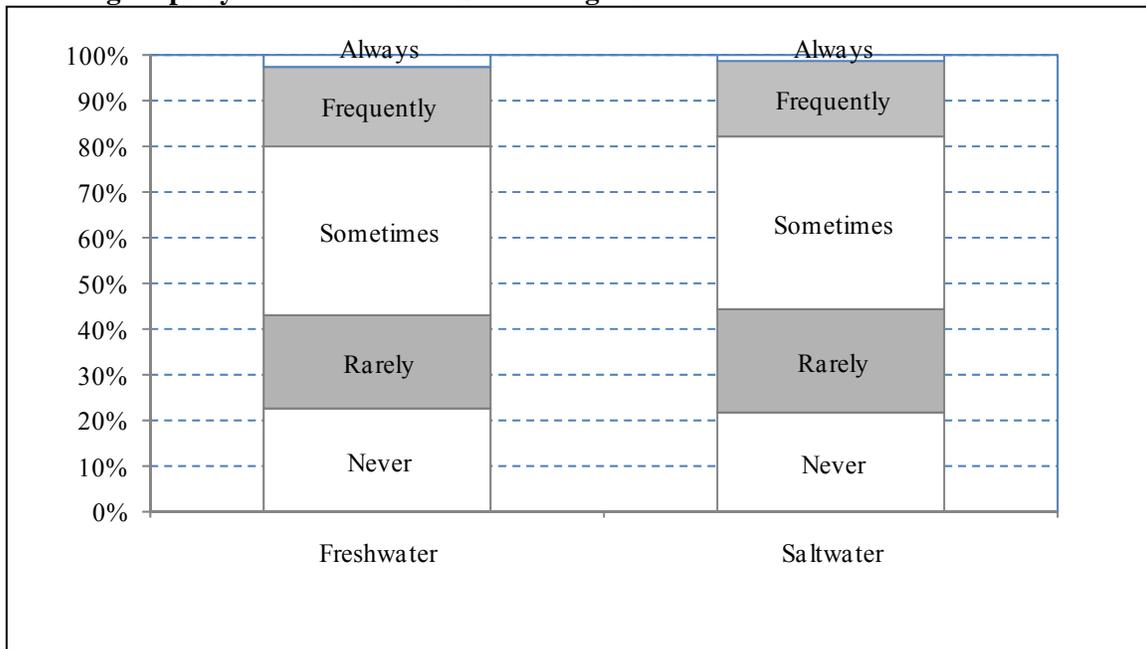
Respondents were asked how often they take youths (younger than 16 years old) on their saltwater fishing trips (Figure 23). Approximately two-fifths (44.3 percent) “rarely” or “never” take youths on their freshwater fishing trips. Although the differences are statistically significant ($\chi^2_{(df=4)} = 10.16$), active senior anglers are only slightly more likely to take youths on freshwater fishing trips than on saltwater fishing trips.

Figure 23. Frequency of Taking Youth(s) (under the Age of 16) Fishing on Freshwater Fishing Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers



Percentage of 1,731 Usable Responses

Box 3. Comparing the Frequency of Taking Youths on Saltwater Fishing Trips and Saltwater Fishing Trips by Active Louisiana Senior Anglers



Oyster reefs are commonly used fishing venues among active Louisiana senior saltwater anglers. (Figure 24). More than one-quarter (29.6 percent) “frequently” or “always” fish over oyster reefs when fishing in saltwater. A somewhat larger proportion (36.6 percent), however, rarely or never fish over oyster reefs on saltwater fishing trips.

Artificial reefs are less frequently utilized by active Louisiana senior saltwater anglers on saltwater fishing trips (Figure 25). Only seven percent frequently or always fish over artificial reefs and 70.9 percent never fish over them. The frequency of fishing over artificial reefs is significantly less than the frequency of fishing over oyster reefs ($\chi^2_{(df=4)} = 478.14$).

Figure 24. Frequency of Fishing over Oyster Reefs on Saltwater Fishing Trips by Active Louisiana Saltwater Anglers

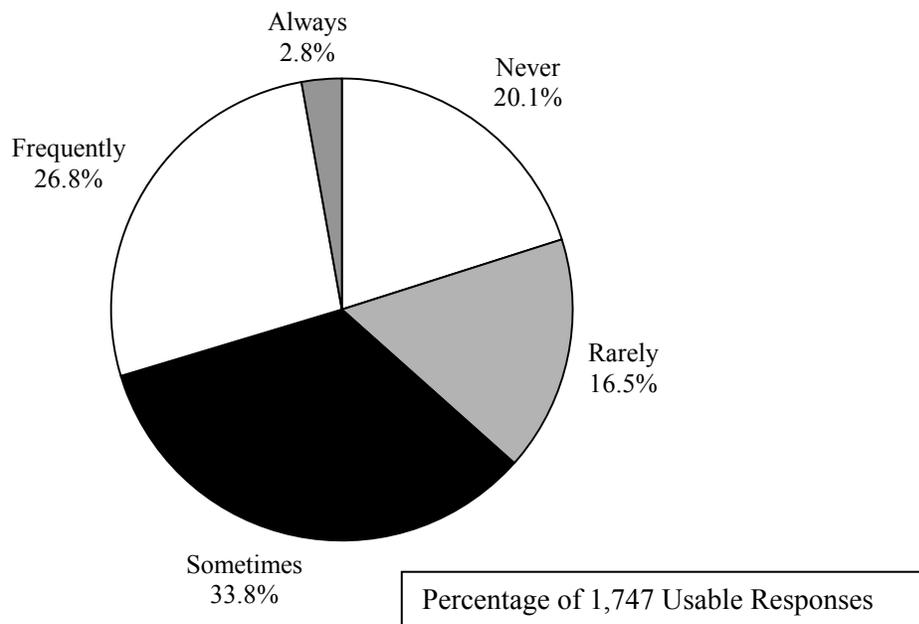
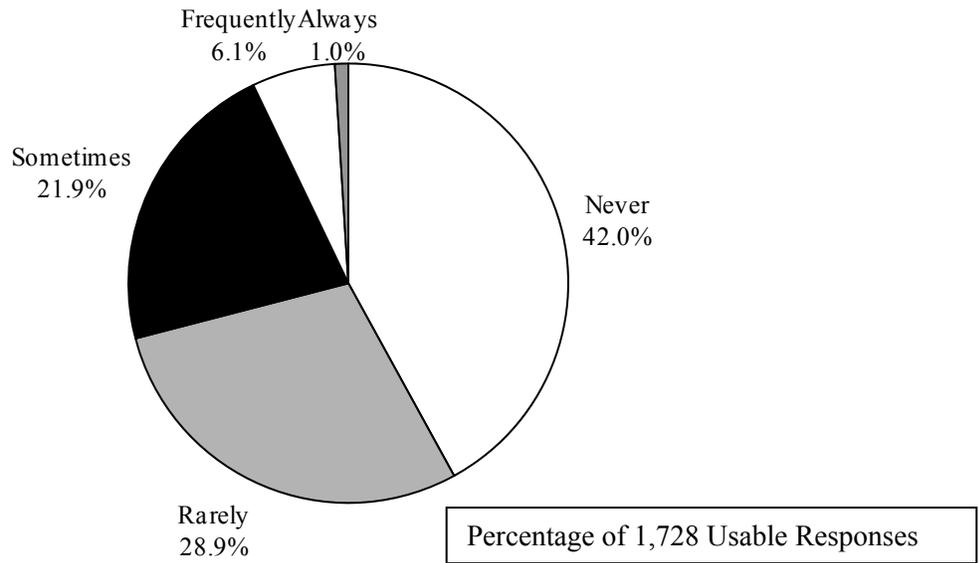
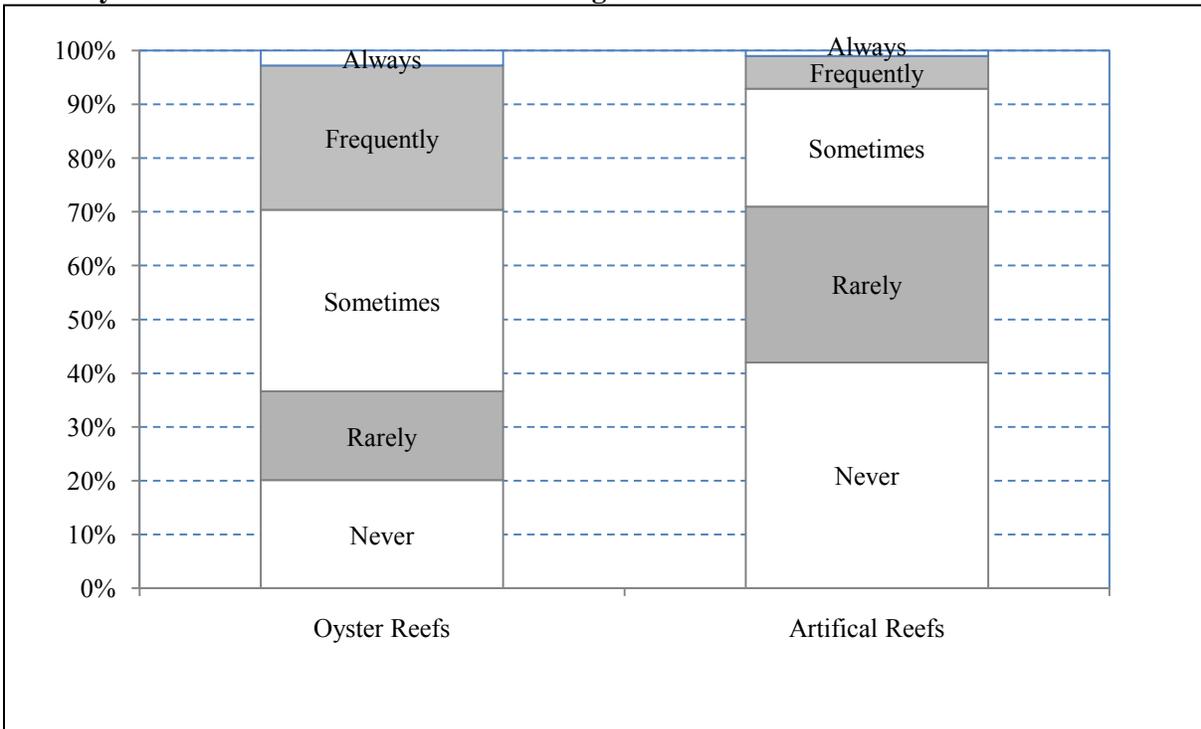


Figure 25. Frequency of Fishing over Artificial Reefs on Saltwater Fishing Trips by Active Louisiana Saltwater Anglers



Box 4. Comparing the Frequency of Use of Oyster Reefs to the Frequency of Use of Artificial Reefs by Active Louisiana Senior Saltwater Anglers



Senior Anglers Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species

Respondents were asked to identify their first, second, and third favorite targeted saltwater species and to indicate their bait preference (live bait, dead bait, or artificial bait) for each.

First Favorite Saltwater Fishing Species

The list of responses for the first favorite targeted saltwater species contains 32 different species or other categories of seafood (Table 12). Most of the respondents identified one of two species as their favorite: speckled seatrout (780) and red fish (631). These two species make up 81.2 percent of all first favorite responses. The third most commonly identified first favorite species is “trout” (199) which, in many cases, may be short-hand for speckled seatrout. No other species or category is mentioned by more than 16 respondents as a first favorite species.

Approximately forty-seven percent (46.8 percent) of all respondents who named a first favorite targeted saltwater species preferred to use live bait either alone or in combination with dead or artificial bait (Figure 26). About forty-four percent preferred to use artificial bait alone or in combination with live or dead bait. Almost thirty percent (29.5 percent) preferred to use dead bait either alone or in combination with live or dead bait.

There were some notable differences in bait preferences among the most targeted categories of fish. Among those who named speckled seatrout as their first favorite species, 52.2 percent preferred live bait (alone or in some combination), 55.1 percent preferred artificial bait (alone or in some combination), and 14.9 percent preferred dead bait (alone or in some combination). Among those who identified “trout” as their first favorite, 65.9 percent preferred live bait (alone or in some combination), 37.2 percent preferred artificial bait (alone or in some combination), and 15.1 percent preferred dead bait (alone or in some combination). Those naming red fish as their first favorite indicated a greater preference (44.8 percent) for dead bait (alone or in combination) and a lesser preference (37.7 percent) for live bait (alone or in combination). Almost 37 percent preferred artificial bait (alone or in some combination).

Second Favorite Saltwater Fishing Species

Table 13 presents the second favorite saltwater species among active Louisiana senior anglers. Over one-thousand five hundred respondents identified 28 different species or seafood categories as their second favorite. The majority of respondents identified one of two species, redfish (854) or speckled seatrout (361) as their second favorite targeted species, collectively representing 80.6 percent of all respondents’ second favorite species. An additional 90 respondents identified “trout” as their second favorite targeted species. (Many individuals may use the general term “trout” to indicate the specific species, “speckled seatrout.”) Flounder, the fourth most common second favorite targeted species, was named by 54 respondents.

Table 12. First Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species and Corresponding Bait Preferences among Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

Species	Number of Respondents Targeting	BAIT PREFERENCES							
		Live Bait Only	Dead Bait Only	Artificial Bait Only	Live & Dead	Live & Artificial	Dead & Artificial	Live, Dead, & Artificial	None Specified
Speckled Seatrout	780	279	55	292	9	86	19	33	7
“Trout”	199	106	14	44	3	17	8	5	2
White Trout	8	1	5	1			1		
Red Fish	631	173	204	140	16	27	41	22	8
Specks AND Reds	2			1				1	
Red Snapper	16	2	10	1			2	1	
Snapper	6	1	4		1				
Mangrove Snapper	1				1				
Flounder	15	5	5	3		1			1
Drums	13	1	10			1	1		
Black Drum	2	1	1						
Catfish	11	1	9				1		
Gafftop Catfish	1	1							
Bass	4	1	1	2					
Billfish	1			1					
Croaker	5	1	4						
Gar	3	1	2						
Grouper	1		1						
Jackfish	1		1						
Lemonfish	1			1					
Mullet	1		1						
Sheepshead	7		6		1				
Tarpon	1		1						
Tuna	10	3	3	2				2	
Crappie	1			1					
Hard Head Catfish	1	1							
Bluegill	1	1							
Chiggerpin (Chinquapin?)	1	1							
White Perch	2	2							
Zander	1		1						
Crabs	2	1	1						
Shrimp	4	1	1					1	1
Reef	1		1						
Any or Whatever	4	1	1				2		
TOTAL	1,738	585	342	489	31	132	75	65	19

Table 13. Second Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species and Corresponding Bait Preferences among Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

Species	Number of Respondents Targeting	BAIT PREFERENCES							
		Live Bait Only	Dead Bait Only	Artificial Bait Only	Live & Dead	Live & Artificial	Dead & Artificial	Live, Dead, & Artificial	None Specified
Speckled Seatrout	361	108	69	124	5	31	19		5
“Trout”	90	27	19	22	3	5	4	7	3
Sand Trout	14	2	7	3			2		
White Trout	1			1					
Red Fish	854	278	156	215	46	52	46	41	20
Red Snapper	6	2	3						1
Snapper	5		4				1		
Flounder	64	18	20	7	2	1	15		1
Drums	21	1	15	1	1		1		2
Black Drum	25	1	20	1			3		
Catfish	11	3	7				1		
Mackerel	2			1					1
King Mackerel	1			1					
Bass	1			1					
Swordfish	1		1						
Croaker	10	2	7				1		
Dolphin	1						1		
Gar	1		1						
Grouper	2		2						
Amberjack	3	2	1						
Lemonfish	6	3	3						
Kingfish	1						1		
Sheepshead	10	2	7				1		
Tuna	9	1	2	5			1		
Crappie	2		1	1					
Bluegill	1	1							
Perch	2	2							
Crabs	1	1							
Offshore	1		1						
TOTAL	1,507	454	346	383	57	89	97	48	33

Of the respondents who named a second favorite targeted saltwater species, forty-three (43.0) percent preferred to use live bait alone or in some combination with dead or artificial bait (Figure 27). Approximately forty percent (40.9 percent) preferred to use artificial bait alone or in some combination with live and dead bait. Slightly more than a third (36.4 percent) preferred to use dead bait alone or in some combination with live or artificial bait.

The differences in bait preferences evident among those who named speckled seatrout, “trout” and red fish as their second favorite targeted species were not as pronounced as the differences seen for respondents who named these species as their first favorite targeted species. Live bait (alone or in combination) was the preference of 39.9 percent of those naming speckled seatrout, 46.7 percent of those

Figure 26. Frequency of Stated Preferences for Live, Dead, and Artificial Bait in Pursuit of First Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species among Active Louisiana Senior Anglers.

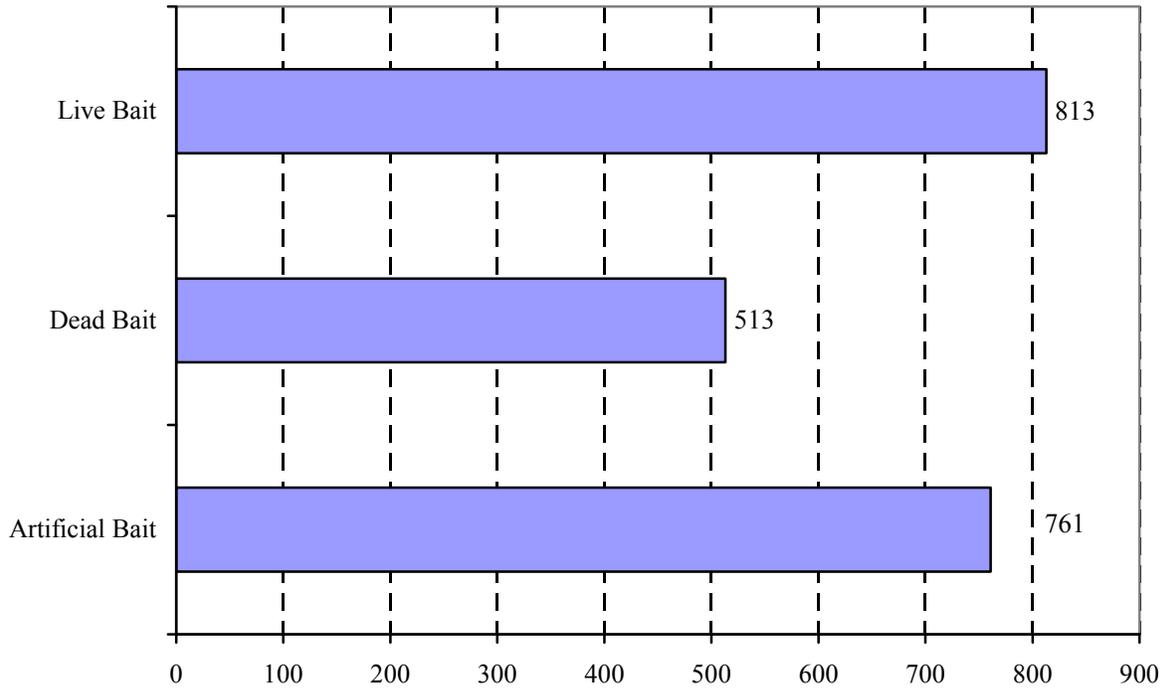
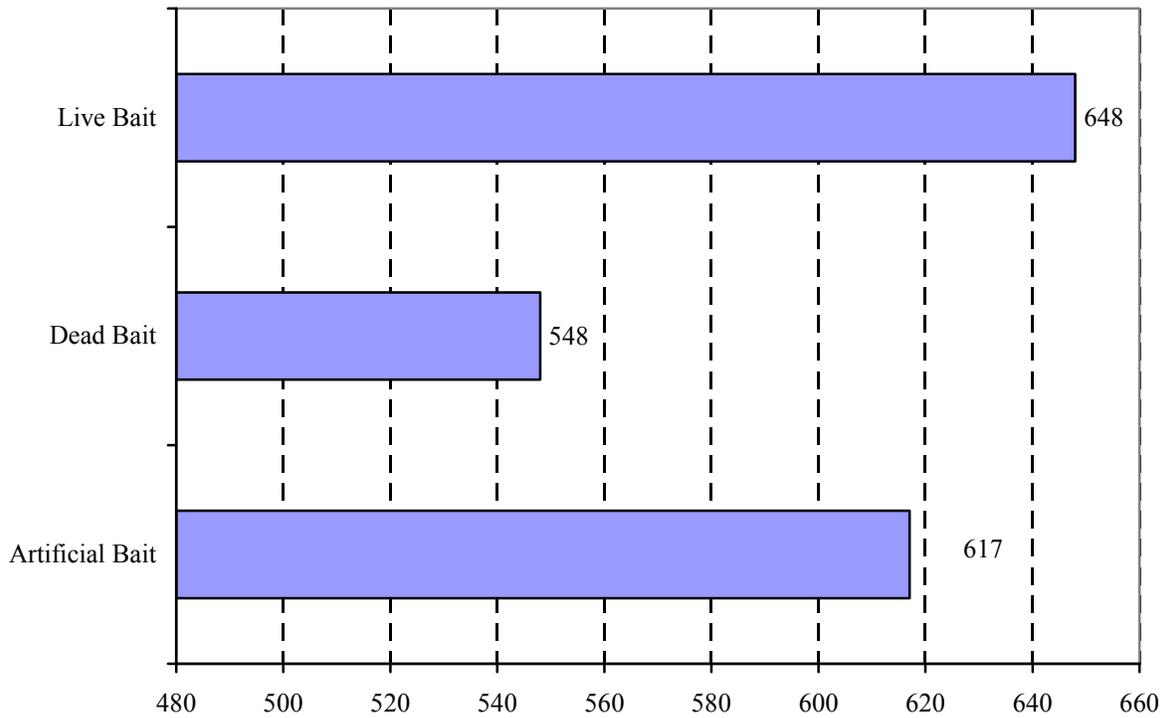


Figure 27. Frequency of Stated Preferences for Live, Dead, and Artificial Bait in Pursuit of Second Favorite Targeted Species among Active Louisiana Senior Anglers.



naming trout, and 48.8 percent of those naming red fish as their second favorite species. Dead bait (alone or in combination) was preferred by 25.8 percent of those naming speckled seatrout, 36.7 percent of those naming “trout”, and 33.8 percent of those naming red fish as their second favorite species. Artificial bait (alone or in combination) was the preferred bait for 48.2 percent of those naming speckled seatrout, 42.2 percent of those naming “trout” and 41.5 percent of those naming red fish as their second favorite species.

Third Favorite Saltwater Fishing Species

A relatively small number of active Louisiana saltwater senior anglers identified a third favorite species (Table 14). These 666 respondents identified 33 different species and seafood categories when naming a third favorite targeted species. The most commonly mentioned third favorite targeted saltwater species was flounder (253). Drums and black drum were listed by 128 respondents.

Half (50.3 percent) of those who identified a third favorite targeted saltwater species preferred dead bait either alone or in some combination with live or artificial bait (Figure 28). Approximately three-eighths (37.2 percent) prefer to use live bait exclusively or in some combination with dead or artificial bait. One-quarter (25.5 percent) preferred to use artificial bait alone or in some combination with live or dead bait.

Figure 28. Frequency of Stated Preferences for Live, Dead, and Artificial Bait in Pursuit of Third Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species among Active Louisiana Senior Anglers.

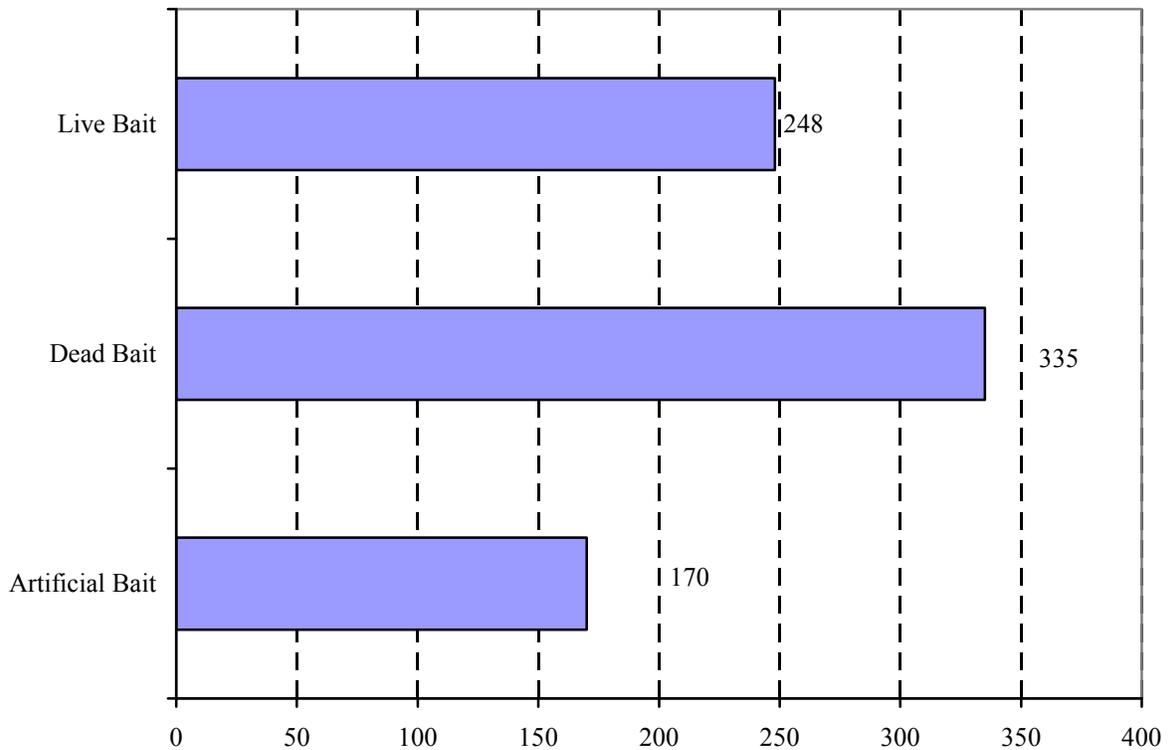


Table 14. Third Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species and Corresponding Bait Preferences among Active Louisiana Senior Anglers

Species	Number of Respondents Targeting	BAIT PREFERENCES							
		Live Bait Only	Dead Bait Only	Artificial Bait Only	Live & Dead	Live & Artificial	Dead & Artificial	Live, Dead, & Artificial	None Specified
Speckled Seatrout	39	10	10	13		1	3	1	1
“Trout”	14	6	4	3			1		
White Trout	22	6	8	6			2		
Sand Trout	1		1						
Red Fish	58	16	22	8	1	4	4	1	2
Red Snapper	4	3		1					
Mangrove Snapper	4	3	1						
Flounder	253	90	67	42	11	17	8	8	10
Drums	89	17	51	4	2	4	4	2	5
Black Drum	39	7	20	3	3		2	1	3
Drum AND Flounder	1				1				
Drum AND Sheepshead	2		1						1
Amberjack	5	4	1						
Jackfish	1							1	
Bass	4	1	3						
Stripes	1			1					
Catfish	19	1	13	1	1		2		1
Gafftop Catfish	2		2						
King Mackerel	2	1	1						
Croaker	24	4	15	2		1	1		1
Golden Croaker	1		1						
Dolphin	3			2			1		
Grouper	2		2						
Halibut	1		1						
Lemonfish	7	3	1	1		2			
Kingfish	1			1					
Mullet	1		1						
Channel Mullet	1		1						
Sheepshead	41	6	27	3	2		1		2
Tuna	9	1	4	3		1			
Bream	1		1						
Goos	2		2						
Crabs	1		1						
Crabs AND Shrimp	1								1
Shrimp	1		1						
Deep Sea	1				1				
“Other”; Mixed; Variety	8	1	3		1		2	1	
TOTAL	666	180	266	94	23	30	31	15	27

Combined References to Species as First, Second, and Third Favorite Targeted Species

Table 15 combines the summarized responses from Table 12, 13, and 14 to measure the number of times that active Louisiana senior anglers mentioned a particular species as either their first, second, or third favorite targeted saltwater species. This table presents two methods of examining the relative popularity of specific species among active senior angler respondents: the simple total and the weighted total.

The simple total is a summation of the number of references to a single species as respondents' first, second, or third favorite targeted species. For lemonfish, for example, the simple total is fourteen (one as first favorite plus six as second favorite plus seven as third favorite: $1 + 6 + 7 = 14$).

The weighted total places one more weight or emphasis on a species depending on the number of references as first favorite targeted species or second favorite targeted species. This allots three points for each reference as a first favorite targeted species, two points for every reference as a second favorite targeted species, and one point for every reference as a third favorite targeted species. The weighted total for lemonfish is twenty-two [$(3 \times 1) + (2 \times 6) + (1 \times 7) = 3 + 12 + 7 = 22$].

Red fish, second to speckled sea trout among first favorite targeted species, has a higher simple total (1,543) and weighted total (3,659) than any other single species when first, second, and third favorite targeted species references are combined. Speckled sea trout has the second highest values for simple total (1,541) and weighted total (3,101). "Trout", which may or may not be synonymous with speckled sea trout, has the third highest simple (698) and weighted total values (788). Flounder has the fourth highest values for simple total (332) and weighted total (426).

Table 15. Number of References to Seafood Species as First, Second, or Third Favorite Targeted Saltwater Species by Active Louisiana Senior Angler Respondents

Species	First Favorite	Second Favorite	Third Favorite	Simple Total	Weighted Total	Species	First Favorite	Second Favorite	Third Favorite	Simple Total	Weighted Total
Speckled Sea Trout	780	361	39	1,541	3,101	Bream			1	1	1
“Trout”	199	90	14	303	791	Bluegill	1	1		2	5
Sand Trout		14	1	15	29	Chiggerpin	1			1	3
White Trout	8	1	22	31	48	Dolphin		1	3	4	5
Red Fish	631	854	58	1,543	3,659	Croaker	5	10	24	39	59
Specks AND Reds	2			2	6	Golden Croaker			1	1	1
Red Snapper	16	6	4	26	64	Gar	3	1		4	11
Snapper	6	5		11	3	Grouper	1	2	2	5	9
Mangrove Snapper	1		4	1	4	Halibut			1	1	1
Flounder	15	64	253	332	426	Kingfish		1	1	2	3
Drums AND Flounder			1	1	1	Lemonfish	1	6	7	14	22
Drums	13	21	89	123	170	Mackerel		2		2	3
Black Drum	2	25	39	66	122	King Mackerel		1	2	3	3
Goo			2	2	2	Mullet	1		1	2	4
Drums AND Sheepshead			2	2	2	Channel Mullet			1	1	1
Sheepshead	7	10	41	58	99	Perch		2		2	4
Catfish	11	11	19	41	74	White Perch	2			2	6
Gafftop Catfish	1		2	3	5	Zander	1			1	3
Hard Head Catfish	1			1	3	Tarpon	1			1	3
Amberjack		3	5	8	11	Tuna	10	9	9	28	57
Jackfish	1		1	2	4	Crabs	2	1	1	4	9
Crappie	1	2		3	5	Crabs AND Shrimp			1	1	1
Bass	4	1	4	9	18	Shrimp	4	1	1	6	14
Stripes			1	1	2	Reef	1			1	3
Billfish	1			1	3	Deep Sea or Offshore		1	1	2	3
Swordfish		1		1	2	Any, Other, or Whatever	4		8	12	20

Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot

Survey respondents were asked to identify their three favorite areas for saltwater fishing by order of preference according to two geographic parameters (nearest town and parish) and to indicate whether the fishing took place in inshore or offshore waters.

The results, summarized by parish and inshore or offshore location, are listed in this section for first (Table 16), second (Table 17), and third favorite (Table 18) fishing spots. Complete listing by nearest town and parish are presented in Appendix B.

Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot

Jefferson Parish was the most frequently named parish (with 332 citations) among active Louisiana senior saltwater anglers when identifying the location of their favorite saltwater fishing sport (Table 16). Terrebonne Parish (292 citations) and Plaquemines Parish (229 citations) were the second and third most commonly mentioned parishes in this category. Over eighty percent (85.9 percent) of all respondents who identified a favorite saltwater fishing spot preferred to go fishing in an “inshore only” location.

Table 16. Location of Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot by Respondent-Identified Parish

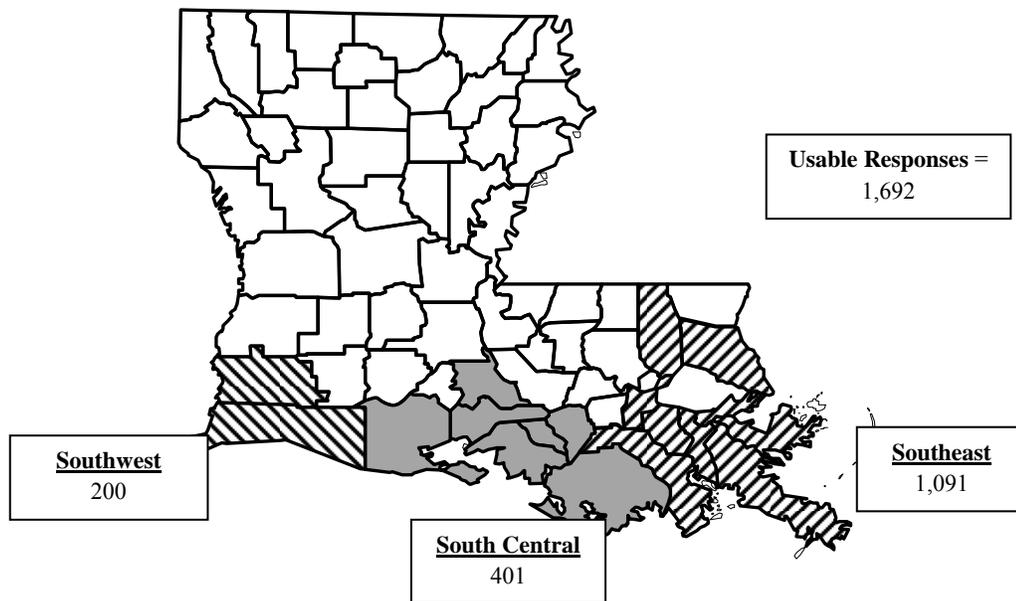
Respondent Identified Parish	Number of Respondents	Saltwater Fishing Location			
		Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Inshore and Offshore	No Preference Stated
Assumption	1	1	0	0	0
Calcasieu	65	60	2	3	0
Cameron	135	114	9	9	3
Iberia	22	19	2	1	0
Jefferson	332	279	23	19	11
Lafourche and Jefferson	1	1	0	0	0
Lafourche	177	159	12	5	1
Orleans	51	49	2	0	0
Plaquemines	229	194	20	10	5
St. Bernard	190	163	11	9	7
St. Charles	3	3	0	0	0
St. John the Baptist	4	4	0	0	0
St. Mary	58	44	5	7	2
St. Tammany	100	88	9	2	1
Tangipahoa	4	4	0	0	0
Terrebonne	292	253	18	14	7
Vermilion	28	19	6	2	1
No Parish Identified	1	0	0	0	1
State Total	1,693	1,454	119	81	39

Figure 29 combines the parish-by-parish responses presented in Table 16 to identify larger region patterns related to the locations of respondents' favorite fishing into three regions consisting of coastal or near coastal parishes. The Southwest Region includes Calcasieu and Cameron Parishes (in LDWF Inland Fisheries Division District 5). The South Central Region includes four parishes in LDWF Inland Fisheries Division District 9 (Assumption, Iberia, St. Mary, Terrebonne, and Vermilion) and one parish in District 6 (St. Martin). The Southeast Region consists of seven parishes in LDWF Inland Fisheries Division District 8 (Jefferson, Lafourche, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, and St. Tammany) and two parishes in District 7 (St. John the Baptist and Tangipahoa).

Nearly two-thirds of the active senior saltwater angler respondents identified a location in the Southeast Region as their favorite saltwater fishing location. Roughly one-quarter identified a location in the South Central Region.

There was little difference among the three regions in terms of the percentage of respondents who indicated a preference for "Inshore Only" locations. In the Southeast Region, 86.5 percent preferred an "Inshore Only" location which was similar to the percentage preferring an "Inshore Only" location in the South Central (83.8 percent) and Southwest Regions (87.0 percent).

Figure 29. Number of Respondents Identifying a Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot within Coastal Regions



Second Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot

Nine hundred nine active (909) Louisiana senior saltwater anglers identified a valid second favorite fishing spot by parish (Table 17). Terrebonne Parish (149) and Plaquemines Parish (148) were the most commonly cited parishes among those who identified a second favorite fishing spot. St. Bernard Parish (140) was the third most common. As with the respondents’ first favorite saltwater fishing spots, over eighty percent (84.0 percent) of all respondents who identified a second favorite fishing spot preferred “inshore only” fishing locations.

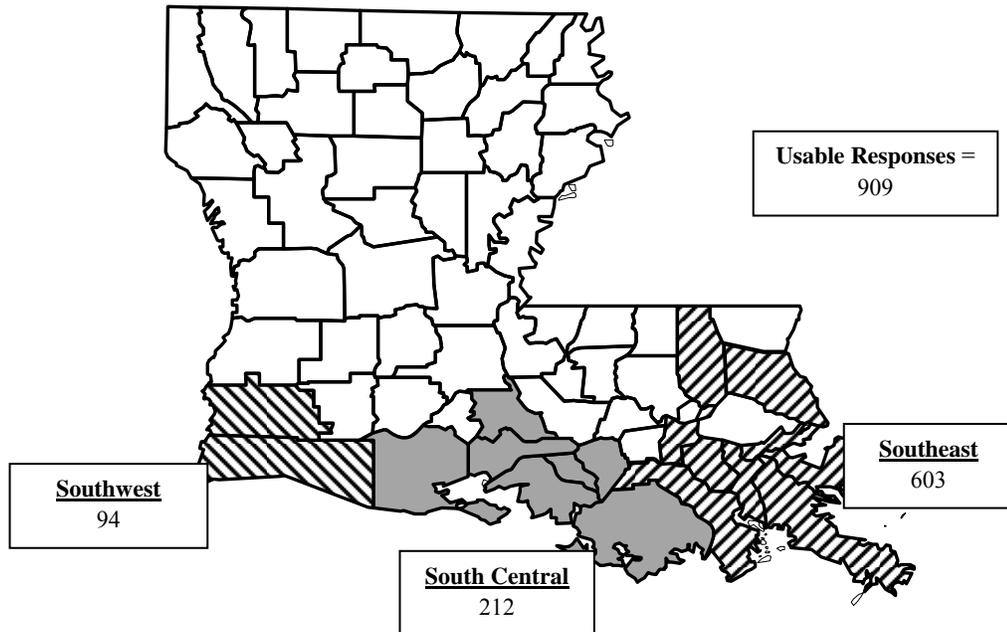
Approximately two-thirds (66.3 percent) of the respondents who indicated a second favorite saltwater fishing location identified a location in the Southeast Region (Figure 30). Almost one-quarter (23.3 percent) identified a location in the South Central Region.

In each region, four-fifths or more indicated an “Inshore Only” preference for their second favorite saltwater fishing location. In the Southeast Region, 86.9 percent preferred an “Inshore Only” location; in the South Central Region, 80.2 percent; and, in the Southwest Region, 83.0 percent.

Table 17. Location of Second Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot by Respondent-Identified Parish

Respondent Identified Parish	Number of Respondents	Saltwater Fishing Location			
		Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Inshore and Offshore	No Preference Stated
Assumption	1	1	0	0	0
Calcasieu	25	24	0	1	0
Cameron	69	54	12	1	2
Iberia	12	10	1	0	1
Jefferson	148	122	12	7	7
Lafourche	96	88	4	1	3
Orleans	33	28	3	1	1
Plaquemines	131	110	16	4	1
St. Bernard AND Plaquemines	1	1	0	0	0
St. Bernard	140	125	7	4	4
St. Charles	6	6	0	0	0
St. Martin	1	1	0	0	0
St. Mary	26	22	2	2	0
St. Tammany	47	43	2	0	2
Tangipahoa	1	1	0	0	0
Terrebonne	149	123	9	10	7
Vermilion	23	13	4	5	1
State Total	909	772	72	36	29

Figure 30. Number of Respondents Identifying a Second Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot within Coastal Regions



Third Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot

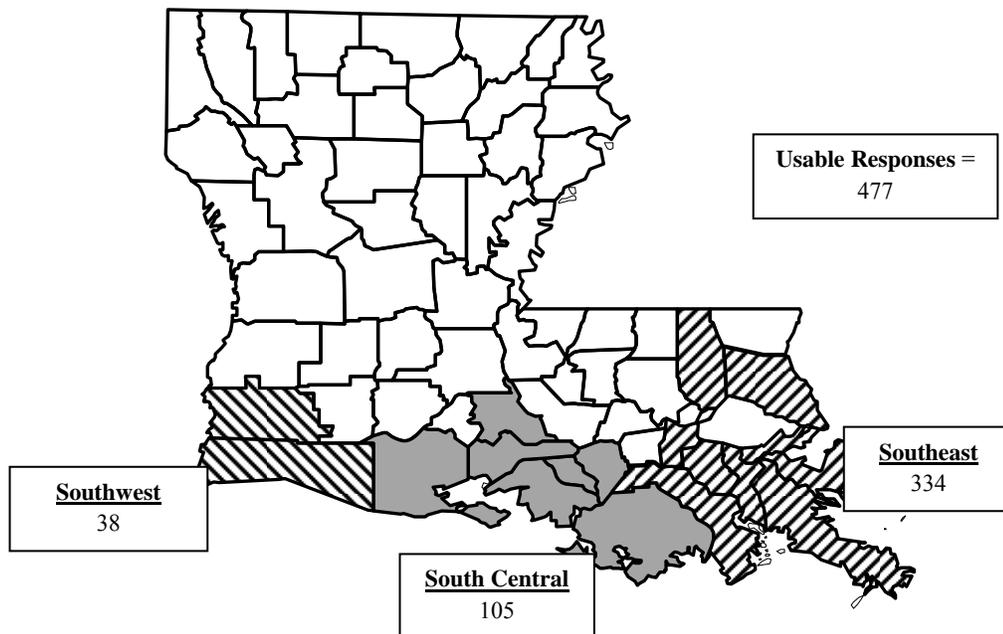
Only 477 active Louisiana senior saltwater anglers identified a valid second favorite fishing spot by parish (Table 18). Jefferson Parish was the most commonly cited parish among those who identified a third favorite fishing spot. Nearly eighty percent (79.7 percent) preferred “inshore only” fishing locations for their third favorite fishing spot.

Seventy percent of the respondents who identified a third favorite saltwater fishing location indicated a location in the Southeast Region (Figure 31). Approximately one-quarter (22.0 percent) indicated a third favorite location in the South Central Region. The percentage of respondents indicating a preference for fishing in “Inshore Only” locations among their third favorite fishing locations ranged from 78.1 percent in the Southeast to 81.6 percent in the Southwest to 83.8 percent in the South Central Region.

Table 18. Location of Third Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot by Respondent-Identified Parish

Respondent Identified Parish	Number of Respondents	Saltwater Fishing Location			
		Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Inshore and Offshore	No Preference Stated
Calcasieu	11	11	0	0	0
Cameron	27	20	5	1	1
Iberia	4	3	1	0	0
Jefferson	94	62	19	6	7
Lafourche	44	39	2	3	0
Orleans	19	18	0	1	0
Plaquemines	77	57	9	7	4
St. Bernard	73	64	3	2	4
St. Charles	4	3	0	0	1
St. John the Baptist	1	1	0	0	0
St. Martin	2	2	0	0	0
St. Mary	8	6	1	1	0
St. Tammany	21	17	0	1	3
Tangipahoa	1	0	0	0	1
Terrebonne	82	70	3	5	4
Vermilion	9	7	2	0	0
State Total	477	380	45	27	25

Figure 31. Number of Respondents Identifying a Third Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spot within Coastal Regions



Conclusion

The Louisiana Senior Sportsman Survey revealed a good deal of information about the age group who held Senior Sportsman's licenses (Age 60 to 64 at the time of the survey). This group is fairly active in wildlife-based outdoor recreation. The percentage who fish in freshwater and saltwater is comparable to the percentage of the overall population of Louisiana resident anglers who fish. These senior anglers fish in freshwater somewhat more frequently and in saltwater somewhat less frequently than the population of Louisiana resident anglers overall.

Active senior freshwater anglers resided throughout the state in numbers roughly proportionate to the population of Louisiana Senior Sportsman's License holders in the targeted year. The median distance traveled one-way from home to their favorite freshwater fishing location was 20 miles. About three-quarters always or frequently used a boat when freshwater fishing. About two-thirds kept zero to ten fish on a typical freshwater fishing trip. About 55 percent always or frequently targeted crappie, about 53 percent always or frequently targeted bass, and about 51 percent always or frequently targeted sunfish or bluegill on their freshwater fishing trips.

Active senior saltwater anglers were more geographically concentrated than active senior freshwater anglers. Over three-quarters resided in a 24-parish area of southeastern Louisiana. Approximately 80 percent always or frequently use a boat when saltwater fishing. Approximately 60 percent always or frequently fish over an oyster reefs on their saltwater fishing trips. About 80 percent prefer fishing in inshore waters. As with Louisiana saltwater anglers overall, active senior saltwater anglers most commonly targeted spotted seatrout and redfish.

Though the survey was based was conducted several years before the final preparation of this report, the results are nevertheless informative for resources managers who would like to be more informed of this segment of the population. Ongoing research of Louisiana anglers will supplement the findings of this report by allowing a comparison of selected parameters from a similar population of senior anglers surveyed more recently. From these, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will improve its understanding of senior resident anglers.

7. Did you hunt **small game** animals or birds in Louisiana during the 2004/05 hunting season?
 Yes No (If No, please skip to **Question #8.**)

If yes, please list the total number of days hunted and the total number bagged for each of the following species during the 2004/05 hunting season:

- | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|
| A. Squirrels- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ | F. Snipe- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ |
| B. Rabbits- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ | G. Ducks- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ |
| C. Quail- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ | H. Geese- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ |
| D. Doves- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ | I. Coots- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ |
| E. Woodcock- | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ | J. _____ | Days hunted _____ | Bagged _____ |

How many total days did you hunt small game animals and/or birds during the 2004/05 hunting season? Note: If you hunted more than one species in a day (ducks & geese, squirrels & rabbits, etc.) count it as only one day of hunting. **Total Days** _____

Fishing Section

8. Did you fish in Louisiana during the 2004 calendar year?
 Yes No (If No, please skip to **Question #20.**)

Freshwater Fishing

9. How many days did you go **freshwater** fishing in Louisiana during the 2004 calendar year?
 Days fished _____ (if none, please skip to **Question #15.**)
10. How many miles did you typically travel to get to your freshwater fishing location during 2004?
 Average miles traveled (**one way**) _____
11. When freshwater fishing, how often do you fish for these species?
- | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| A. Bass | <input type="checkbox"/> Never | <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely | <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently | <input type="checkbox"/> Always |
| B. Crappie | <input type="checkbox"/> Never | <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely | <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently | <input type="checkbox"/> Always |
| C. Sunfish/Bluegill | <input type="checkbox"/> Never | <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely | <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently | <input type="checkbox"/> Always |
| D. Catfish | <input type="checkbox"/> Never | <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely | <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently | <input type="checkbox"/> Always |
| E. Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Never | <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely | <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently | <input type="checkbox"/> Always |
12. When freshwater fishing, how many fish do you typically keep for yourself per trip?
 0-5 6-10 11-15 16-20 Greater than 20
13. How often do you freshwater fish from a boat?
 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Always
14. How often do you take youth(s) (under the age of 16) fishing when you go freshwater fishing?
 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Always

Saltwater Fishing

15. How many days did you **saltwater** fish in Louisiana during the 2004 calendar year?
Days fished _____ (if none, please skip to **Question #20.**)

16. Which species of saltwater fish do you usually fish for (in order of preference); What type of bait do you prefer to use when fishing for these species; and What percentage (%) of your fishing trips do you target each species?

Species	Bait Preference	% Trips Targeting
1 st _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Live bait <input type="checkbox"/> Dead bait <input type="checkbox"/> Artificial bait	_____
2 nd _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Live bait <input type="checkbox"/> Dead bait <input type="checkbox"/> Artificial bait	_____
3 rd _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Live bait <input type="checkbox"/> Dead bait <input type="checkbox"/> Artificial bait	_____

17. Please identify your three most favorite areas for saltwater fishing, in order of preference, by listing the Nearest Town, Parish, and checking if you normally fish inshore or offshore at these locations. (For example: Cocodrie, Terrebonne Parish or Grand Isle, Jefferson Parish)

Nearest Town	Parish	Inshore	Offshore
A _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. When saltwater fishing, how many fish do you typically keep for yourself per trip?
 0-5 6-10 11-15 16-20 Greater than 20

19. Please indicate your response to the following statements regarding your saltwater fishing trips?

- A. How often do you saltwater fish from a boat?
 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Always
- B. How often do you fish over an oyster reef when you go saltwater fishing?
 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Always
- C. How often do you fish over an artificial reef when you go saltwater fishing?
 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Always
- D. How often do you take youth(s) fishing when you go saltwater fishing?
 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Always

20. Comments:

APPENDIX B. Respondents' First Favorite, Second Favorite, and Third Favorite Saltwater Fishing Spots

The tables in this appendix provide a complete listing of respondents' first favorite, second favorite, and third favorite saltwater fishing spots by nearest town, parish, and inshore or offshore fishing. Though most respondents identified a town or city, as requested, some provided the name of a body of water (e.g., Sweet Lake), geographic feature (e.g., Cypremort Point), or wildlife management area (e.g., Point-aux-Chenes).

The locations are listed as the respondents identified them. Results are not edited for geographic accuracy. In some instances, a respondent might specify a nearest town or other site that was not located in the parish that he or she identified as the location of his or her favorite fishing spot. For example, one might claim that his favorite fishing spot was in Jefferson Parish, but claim Golden Meadow as the nearest town. Such apparent inconsistencies might occur (a) if the town and favorite fishing spot were located near the border of their adjacent parishes (e.g. Belle Chasse, a town in Plaquemines Parish, near the parish's border with Jefferson Parish), (b) if the respondent fishes in a body of water within the boundaries of one parish (Jefferson Parish) though the nearest town is in another parish (e.g., Myrtle Grove), (c) if the geographic feature overlaps parish boundaries (e.g., Pointe-aux-Chenes and Lake Pontchartrain), or (d) if the respondent does not know the appropriate parish in which the specified town is located.

Table A1. Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Fishing Spot (1,693 Usable Responses)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Assumption	1	Pierre Part = 1	1			
		Parish Total	1	0	0	0
Calcasieu	65	Big Lake = 3	3			
		Hackberry = 2	2			
		Lake Charles = 49	44	2	3	
		Sabine = 1	1			
		Sulphur = 5	5			
		Vinton = 3	3			
		No Town Identified = 2	2			
		Parish Total	60	2	3	0
Caldwell	1	Hebert = 1	1			
		Parish Total	1	0	0	0
Cameron	135	Big Lake = 6	6			
		Cameron = 71	58	4	6	3
		Creole = 1	1			
		Grand Chenier = 11	6	2	3	
		Grand Lake = 2	2			
		Hackberry = 31	30	1		
		Holly Beach = 4	3	1		
		Johnson Bayou = 3	3			
		Pecan Island = 2	2			
		Ship Channel = 1	1			
		Sweet Lake = 1	1			
		Vinton = 1	1			
		No Town Identified = 1		1		
		Parish Total	114	9	9	3
Iberia	22	Cypremort Point = 5	4	1		
		Delcambre = 1	1			
		Lydia = 3	3			
		Marsh Island = 1		1		
		New Iberia = 9	8		1	
		Port Iberia = 1	1			
		Vermilion Bay = 2	2			
		Parish Total	19	2	1	0

Table A1. Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Fishing Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Iberville	1	Bayou Sorrell = 1	1			
		Parish Total	1			
Jefferson	332	Barataria = 1	1			
		Belle Chasse = 1	1			
		Buras = 1	1			
		Fourchon = 1	1			
		Freeport = 1	1			
		Golden Meadow = 2	2			
		Grand Isle = 224	178	18	17	11
		Delacroix = 1	1			
		Hopedale = 2	2			
		Houma = 1	1			
		Kenner = 2	1	1		
		Lafitte = 77	74	2	1	
		Leesville = 3	3			
		Marrero = 1	1			
		Metairie = 2	1	1		
		Port Arthur = 1	1			
		Venice = 1		1		
		Westwego = 6	6			
		No Town Identified = 4	3		1	
		Parish Total	279	23	19	11
Lafourche and Jefferson	1	Grand Isle = 1	1			
		Category Total	1			

Table A1. Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Fishing Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Lafourche	177	Buras = 1	1			
		Cut Off = 10	10			
		Dulac = 1			1	
		Fourchon = 26	22	3	1	
		Port Fourchon = 4	1	2	1	
		Galliano = 7	7			
		Grand Isle = 2	1	1		
		Golden Meadow = 62	60	2		
		Larose = 8	8			
		Leeville = 41	38		2	1
		Montegut = 1	1			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 8	4	4		
		Raceland = 1	1			
		Sulfur Mine = 1	1			
		Thibodaux = 1	1			
		No Town Identified = 3	3			
		Parish Total	159	12	5	1
Orleans	51	Bayou Bienville = 2	2			
		Chef Menteur = 2	2			
		Industrial Canal = 1	1			
		Lake Catherine = 3	3			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 2	1	1		
		Metairie = 1	1			
		New Orleans = 36	35	1		
		Rigolets = 2	2			
		No Town = 2	2			
		Parish Total	49	2	0	0

Table A1. Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Fishing Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Plaquemines	229	Boothville = 1	1			
		Buras = 29	28	1		
		Delacroix = 5	5			
		Empire/Buras = 1	1			
		Empire = 29	26	2		1
		Fort Jackson = 1	1			
		Happy Jack = 2	2			
		Lake Hermitage = 3	3			
		Myrtle Grove = 20	20			
		Palaco = 1		1		
		Pilot Town = 1		1		
		Pointe a la Hache = 19	17		2	
		Port Sulfur = 33	31	1	1	
		Shell Beach = 33	3			
		Venice = 80	55	14	7	4
		No Town = 1	1			
		Parish Total	194	20	10	5
St. Bernard	190	Bayou Biloxi = 1	1			
		Big Lake = 1	1			
		Chalmette = 19	18	1		
		Delacroix = 52	41	5	3	3
		Empire = 1		1		
		Gibson = 1	1			
		Hackberry = 1	1			
		Hopedale = 50	41	2	4	3
		Lafitte = 1	1			
		Lake Borgne = 1	1			
		Lake marshes = 1		1		
		Montegut = 1	1			
		Paris Road = 1	1			
		Poydras = 1	1			
		Reggio = 7	6	1		
		Shell Beach = 44	41		2	1
		Violet = 3	3			
Yscloskey = 1	1					
No Town Identified = 3	3					
Parish Total	163	11	9	7		

Table A1. Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Fishing Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
St. Charles	3	Bayou Gauche = 1	1			
		Boutte = 1	1			
		Des Allemands = 1	1			
		Parish Total	3	0	0	0
St. John	4	LaPlache = 3	3			
		Vacherie = 1	1			
		Parish Total	4	0	0	0
St. Mary	58	Baldwin = 4	3		1	
		Berwick = 6	5	1		
		Burns Point = 1		1		
		Cypremort Point = 25	18	2	4	1
		Centerville = 3	3			
		Franklin = 3	3			
		Morgan City = 12	9	1	1	1
		New Iberia = 1			1	
		Patterson = 1	1			
		Salt Point = 1	1			
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	44	5	7	2
St. Tammany	100	Lacombe/Bayou Lacombe = 4	4			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 2	2			
		Madisonville = 2	2			
		Mandeville = 5	5			
		Slidell = 84	73	9	1	1
		No Town Identified = 3	2		1	
		Parish Total	88	9	2	1
Tangipahoa	4	Manchac/Lake Manchac = 4	4			
		Parish Total	4	0	0	0

Table A1. Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Fishing Spot (Concluded)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Terrebonne	292	Pointe-aux-Chenes = 24	22			2
		Bayou Dularge = 12	11	1		
		Berwick = 1			1	
		Bourg = 1	1			
		Chauvin = 6	6			
		Cocodrie = 100	82	8	8	2
		Dulac = 34	32	2		
		Dularge = 3	3			
		Gibson = 1	1			
		Golden Meadow = 2	1			
		Grand Isle = 1	1			
		Houma = 52	46	2	4	
		Lake Pontchartrain = 1	1			
		Matheson = 1	1			
		Montegut = 22	19	2		1
		Theriot = 23	20	3		
		Venice = 2	1		1	
		No Town Identified = 7	5			2
		Parish Total	253	18	14	7
Vermilion	28	Abbeville = 1	1			
		Cypremort Point = 3	1	1		1
		Delcambre = 2	2			
		Henry = 1		1		
		Erath = 3	2	1		
		Intracoastal City = 6	3	1	2	
		Kaplan = 1		1		
		Pecan Island = 9	8			
		Pine Island = 1		1		
		Vermilion = 1	1			
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	19	6	2	1
No Parish	1	Charter Boat = 1				1
		Category Total				1

Table A2. Second Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (909 Usable Responses)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Assumption	1	Napoleonville = 1	1	0	0	0
Calcasieu	25	Big Lake = 1				
		Lake Calcasieu = 1				
		Lake Charles = 19				
		Port Sulphur/Sulphur = 3	2		1	
		Vinton = 1	1			
		Parish Total	24	0	1	0
Cameron	69	Big Lake = 3	2			1
		Cameron = 35	25	8	1	1
		Creole = 2	2			
		Grand Chenier = 3	2	1		
		Hackberry = 17	17			
		Holly Beach = 3	2	1		
		Little Chenier = 1	1			
		Pecan Island = 2	2			
		Sweet Lake = 1	1			
		Vinton = 1		1		
		No Town Identified = 1		1		
		Parish Total	54	12	1	2
Iberia	12	Cypremort Point = 3	3			
		Delcambre = 1	1			
		Louisa = 1	1			
		Lydia = 3	3			
		New Iberia = 3	2			1
		State Parks = 1		1		
		Parish Total	10	1	0	1

Table A2. Second Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Jefferson	148	Avondale = 1	1			
		Delacroix = 1	1			
		Golden Meadow = 1	1			
		Grand isle = 93	72	10	7	4
		Hopedale = 1	1			
		Kenner = 1	1			
		Lafitte = 26	24	1		1
		Lake Pontchartrain = 7	6			1
		Leesville = 4	4			
		Metairie = 5	4	1		
		Port Fourchon = 1	1			
		Venice = 2	1			1
		Westwego = 3	3			
		No Town Identified = 2	2			
		Parish Total	122	12	7	7
Lafayette	1	Texaco Canal = 1	1	0	0	0
Lafourche	96	Clovelly = 1	1			
		Cocodrie = 2	2			
		Cut Off = 3	3			
		Fourchon/Port Fourchon = 25	20	4		1
		Galliano = 4	4			
		Golden Meadow = 23	22			1
		Grand Isle = 1	1			
		Larose = 7	7			
		Leeville = 22	20		1	1
		Montegut = 1	1			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 3	3			
		Sulfur Mine = 2	2			
		No Town Identified = 2	2			
		Parish Total	88	4	1	3
Orleans	33	Chef Pass = 1	1			
		Lake Borgne = 2	2			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 4	4			
		New Orleans = 18	16	1		1
		Rigolets = 6	4	1	1	
		Rick Bayou = 1		1		
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Subtotal	28	3	1	1

Table A2. Second Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Plaquemines	131	Boothville = 1	1			
		Buras = 13	12		1	
		Empire = 19	17	2		
		Happy Jack = 1	1			
		Lafitte = 1	1			
		Myrtle Grove = 7	7			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 1	1			
		Pointe a la Hache = 12	12			
		Port Sulphur = 26	25		1	
		Venice = 49	32	14	2	1
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	110	16	4	1
St. Bernard	140	Bayou Robin = 1	1			
		Biloxi Marsh = 1	1			
		Breton Sound = 1	1			
		Chalmette = 13	11	1	1	
		Chandeleur = 1		1		
		Delacroix = 31	28	1	2	
		Dularge = 1	1			
		Empire = 1	1			
		Hopedale = 43	35	4	1	3
		Intracoastal City = 1	1			
		Louisiana Marsh = 1	1			
		Lafitte = 1	1			
		Myrtle Grove = 1	1			
		New Orleans = 1	1			
		Pointe a la Hache = 1	1			
		Port Sulphur = 1	1			
		Port Lacassine = 1	1			
		Reggio = 7	6			1
		Shell Beach = 26	26			
		Violet = 1	1			
		Yscloskey = 3	3			
		No Town Identified = 2	2			
		Parish Total	125	7	4	4
St. Bernard and Plaquemines	1	Pointe a la Hache = 1	1	0	0	0

Table A2. Second Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Continued)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
St. Charles	6	Boutte = 1	1			
		Norco = 4	4			
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	6	0	0	0
St. Martin	1	No Town Identified = 1	1	0	0	0
		Parish Total	1	0	0	0
St. Mary	26	Centerville = 2	2			
		Cypremort Point = 14	13	1		
		Franklin = 1	1			
		Glencoe = 1	1			
		Morgan City = 6	3	1	2	
		Salt Point = 1	1			
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	22	2	2	0
St Tammany	47	Lacombe = 4	4			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 2	2			
		Madisonville = 2	1	1		
		Mandeville = 6	6			
		Maurepas = 1	1			
		Pagolets (Rigolets) = 1	1			
		Pearl River = 1	1			
		Pearlington = 1	1			
		Rigolets = 2	2			
		Slidell = 27	24	1		2
		Parish Total	43	2	0	2

Table A2. Second Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Concluded)

Respondent-Identified Parish	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Tangipahoa	1	Lake Pontchartrain = 1	1	0	0	0
		Parish Total	1	0	0	0
Terrebonne	149	Baners(?) = 1	1			
		Bayou Dularge = 10	10			
		Chauvin = 6	5			1
		Cocodrie = 71	56	7	6	2
		Dulac = 10	7		3	
		Dularge = 3	3			
		Four Point = 2	1	1		
		Gibson = 1	1			
		Houma = 8	7		1	
		Lake Boudreaux = 2	2			
		Montegut = 17	15			2
		Morgan City = 1	1			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 10	9			1
		St. Mary = 1				1
		Theriot = 4	3	1		
		No Town Identified = 2	2			
		Parish Total	123	9	10	7
Vermilion	23	Cypremort Point = 2	2			
		Henry = 1	1			
		Intracoastal City = 10	5	3	1	1
		Miami Corp = 1	1			
		Pecan Island = 6	4	1	1	
		Vermilion Bay = 1			1	
		No Town Identified = 2			2	
		Parish Total	13	4	5	1

Table A3. Third Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (477 Usable Responses)

Parish Name	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Avoyelles	1	Mansura = 1	1			
		Parish Total	1	0	0	0
Calcasieu	11	Big Lake = 1	1			
		Calcasieu Lake = 1	1			
		Hackberry = 1	1			
		Lake Charles = 8	8			
		Parish Total	11	0	0	0
Cameron	27	Big Lake = 4	4			
		Cameron = 12	8	3	1	
		Grand Chenier = 3	1	1		1
		Hackberry = 5	5			
		Holly Beach = 1	1			
		Lake Charles = 1		1		
		Moss Lake = 1	1			
		Parish Total	20	5	1	1
Iberia	4	Avery's Island = 1	1			
		Cypremort Point = 2	1	1		
		Lydia = 1	1			
		Parish Total	3	1	0	0
Jefferson	94	Empire = 1	1			
		Golden Meadow = 2	2			
		Grand Isle = 56	29	17	6	4
		Jean Lafitte = 1				1
		Kenner = 3	3			
		Lafitte = 19	17			2
		Lake Pontchartrain = 2	1	1		
		Metairie = 2	2			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 1	1			
		Shell Beach = 1	1			
		Texaco Canal = 1		1		
		Venice = 1	1			
		Westwego = 3	3			
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	62	19	6	7

Table A3. Third Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Continued)

Parish Name	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Lafourche	44	Cut Off = 3	3			
		Fourchon = 12	8	1	3	
		Golden Meadow = 15	15			
		Lafitte	1			
		Lake Fields = 1	1			
		Larose = 3	3			
		Leeville = 7	7			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 1	1			
		Timbalier Islands = 1		1		
		Parish Subtotal	39	2	3	0
Orleans	19	Bayou Bienvenue = 1	1			
		Chalmette = 1	1			
		Chef Pass = 1	1			
		Lake Catherine = 3	3			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 4	4			
		New Orleans = 5	5			
		Rigolets = 2	1		1	
		No Town Identified = 2	2			
		Parish Total	18	0	1	0
Plaquemines	77	Buras = 11	10			1
		Chalmette = 1	1			
		Delacroix = 1	1			
		Empire = 9	6	2	1	
		Grand Bayou = 1	1			
		Happy Jack = 1	1			
		Hopedale = 1	1			
		Lafitte = 1	1			
		Myrtle Grove = 1				1
		Pointe a la Hache = 9	8		1	
		Port Sulphur = 6	6			
		Venice = 34	20	7	5	2
		No Town Identified = 1	1			
		Parish Total	57	9	7	4

Table A3. Third Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Continued)

Parish Name	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
St. Bernard	73	Bayou Bienvenue = 3	3			
		Bayou Dularge = 1	1			
		Chalmette = 9	6	1	1	1
		Delacroix = 19	17	1		1
		Dulac = 1	1			
		Half Moon = 1		1		
		Hopedale = 11	10			1
		Lake Borgne = 1	1			
		Lake Judge Perez = 1	1			
		M.R.G.O. = 1	1			
		Reggio = 1	1			
		Sheephead = 1	1			
		Shell Beach = 18	16		1	1
		St. Bernard = 1	1			
		Violet = 3	3			
		Yscloskey = 1	1			
		Parish Total	64	3	2	4
St. Charles	4	Des Allemands = 1	1			
		Norco = 2	2			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 1				1
		Parish Total	3	0	0	1
St John	1	Lake Pontchartrain = 1	1	0	0	0
St. Martin	2	Cypremort Point = 1	1			
		Morgan City = 1	1			
		Parish Total	2	0	0	0
St. Mary	8	Bayou Sully = 1		1		
		Bayou Vista = 1			1	
		Cypremort Point = 3	3			
		Franklin = 1	1			
		Morgan City = 2	2			
		Parish Total	6	1	1	

Table A3. Third Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Continued)

Parish Name	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
St. Tammany	21	Lake Borgne = 1	1			
		Lake Pontchartrain = 3	3			
		Madisonville = 1	1			
		North Shore = 1				1
		Rigolets = 2				2
		Slidell = 10	9		1	
		Mandeville = 3	3			
		Parish Total	17		1	3
Tangipahoa	1	Manchac = 1	1			
		Parish Total	1			
Terrebonne	82	Bayou Baree = 1	1			
		Bayou de Cade = 3	3			
		Bayou Dularge = 6	6			
		Chauvin = 1	1			
		Cocodrie = 33	26	2	3	2
		Dulac = 8	7	1		
		Dularge = 6	5			1
		Grand Caillou = 1	1			
		Grand Isle = 1	1			
		Houma = 5	4		1	
		Lake Boudreaux = 3	3			
		Last Island = 1			1	
		LiPelto = 1	1			
		Montegut = 4	4			
		Pointe-aux-Chenes = 4	4			
		Robinson Canal = 1	1			
		Theriot = 2	2			
No Town Identified = 1					1	
Parish Total	70	3	5	4		
Vermilion	9	Abbeville = 1	1			
		Freshwater City = 1	1			
		Intracoastal City = 5	4	1		
		Pecan Island = 2	1	1		
		Parish Total	7	2		

Table A3. Third Favorite Louisiana Saltwater Spot (Concluded)

Parish Name	Parish Total	Nearest Respondent Identified Town	Inshore Only	Offshore Only	Both Inshore and Offshore	No Specification
Union	1	Farmerville = 1	1			
		Parish Total	1			
Vernon	2	Leesville = 2	2			
		Parish Total	2			
Washington	1	Pearl River = 1	1			