

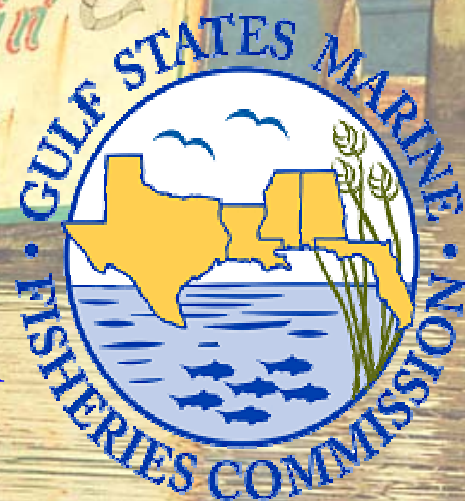
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# *Fisheries Information Network*

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- Recreational Data Collection
- Gulf Menhaden Port Sampling
- Commercial Data Collection
- Biological Sampling
- FIN Data Management System



# *Interjurisdictional Fisheries Program*

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- Sheephead Technical Task Force
  - Striped Bass Technical Task Force
  - Crab Subcommittee
  - Otolith Work Group
  - Law Enforcement Committee
  - Gulf Menhaden Data Entry
  - Literature Database
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## ***Sportfish Restoration Program***

- Artificial Reef Activities

## ***Aquatic Invasive Species Program***

- Gulf and South Atlantic Regional Panel

## ***GIS Program***

- Provides GIS Support for all Commission Activities

## ***Atlantic Billfish Research Program***

- Administers Billfish Research Grant

# *Habitat Program*

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- Liquefied Natural Gas Facilities Impacts on Fisheries
- Derelict Trap Task Force Working with States to Remove Derelict Crab Traps
- Bottom Mapping Project Mapping Coral and Hardbottom Habitat Throughout the Gulf of Mexico

## *Southeast Monitoring and Assessment Program (SEAMAP)*

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- Fishery Independent Sampling Program from 1982 to Present
- SEAMAP ArcIMS Website Displaying Catch Rate, Environmental, and Location Information for all SEAMAP Shrimp/Groundfish Surveys

# *Annual Crab Trap Clean-up*



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- Overview of the GSMFC**  
A summary of the purpose, personnel, funding, and programs of the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission.
- GSMFC Programs**  
A brief synopsis of the programs that are coordinated by the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission as well as links to more detailed information about each program.
- GSMFC Publications**  
Publications that are available at the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission office and on-line, categorized by program.

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**Welcome!** This homepage is dedicated to providing the most complete source for scientific information on the Gulf menhaden population. The information included within reflects the most current scientific data available on both the fish and the fishery. The Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission has worked hand-in-hand with the National Marine Fisheries Service, the five Gulf States (Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas), and the menhaden industry for many years to monitor the Gulf menhaden stocks and is confident in the assessments provided here. If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact us here at the Commission office.

**Announcing:**

The 2002 Revision to the *The Menhaden Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico, United States: A Regional Management Plan* is now available. This is the fifth revision to the FMP and includes the latest NMFS stock assessment for the fishery and all current data on the biology and habitat for gulf menhaden.

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## Non-Native Aquatic Species in the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic Regions

**Examples of Non-Indigenous Species**

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*Platyichirograpsus spectabilis* (de Man, 1896)
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*Ochlasoma bimaaculatum* (Linnaeus, 1867)
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*Pygocentrus nattereri* (Kner, 1860)
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*Brachydanio rerio* (Hamilton, 1822)

**Welcome** to the Non-Native Aquatic Species in the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic Regions website. This site replaces the former Non-Indigenous Species in the Gulf of Mexico Ecosystem site. This site will be continuously updated, so you may want to keep this site bookmarked for easy reference.

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