



Alosa pseudoharengus

Alewife, Gray Herring

General

1. Pelagic, anadromous: freshwater, brackish, marine

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Atlantic Coast from Newfoundland to the Carolinas
2. Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Virginias
3. Habitats
 - Movement of schooling adults restricted to coastal areas proximal to natal estuaries
 - Migrate up rivers and even small streams to spawn in lakes and rivers, then return to sea shortly after spawning
 - Feeds on shrimps and small fishes, diatoms, copepods, ostracods
 - Temperate waters



Invasion Pathways

1. Natural dispersal
2. Intentional biological introduction
3. Smuggling

Sources

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