

## FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORIES

Elevated levels of some pollutants may be found in certain fish caught by the public or sold commercially in the United States. For more information, contact N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services at 919-707-5900 or see [epi.publichealth.nc.gov](http://epi.publichealth.nc.gov) and click on "Fish Consumption Advisories." The following table lists the current fish consumption advisories for North Carolina inland fishing waters:

<i>Body of Water</i>	<i>Advisory</i>	<i>Pollutant</i>
Statewide	<b>Largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing mothers and children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
Statewide	<b>Bluegill sunfish and trout.</b> No more than two meals per week for women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing mothers and children under 15. No more than four meals per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
South and east of Interstate 85	<b>Blackfish (bowfin), Catfish (caught wild), Jack fish (chain pickerel), Warmouth, and Yellow perch.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing mothers and children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
South and east of Interstate 95	<b>Black crappie.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing mothers and children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
Albemarle Sound from Bull Bay to Harvey Point west to the mouths of the Roanoke and Chowan rivers (Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan, Bertie, Washington and Tyrrell counties)	<b>Carp and catfish.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age or children. No more than one meal per month for all other people.	<u>Dioxins</u>
Roanoke River from U.S. Hwy. 17 bridge near Williamston to the mouth of Albemarle Sound (Martin, Bertie and Washington counties)	<b>Carp and catfish.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age or children. No more than one meal per month for all other people.	<u>Dioxins</u>
Welch Creek (Martin, Beaufort and Washington counties)	<b>Carp and catfish.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age or children. No more than one meal per month for all other people.	<u>Dioxins</u>
Brier Creek Reservoir (Wake County), Brier Creek –downstream of Brier Creek Reservoir, and Little Brier Creek and tributaries downstream of Brier Creek Parkway	<b>All fish.</b> No consumption.	<u>PCBs</u>
Lake Crabtree (Wake County)	<b>Carp and catfish.</b> No consumption. <b>All other fish.</b> No more than one meal per month.	<u>PCBs</u>
Crabtree Creek (Wake County) above and below Lake Crabtree to Neuse River	<b>Carp, catfish and largemouth bass.</b> No more than one meal per month.	<u>PCBs</u>
Neuse River (Wake County) downstream of Crabtree Creek to Auburn-Knightdale Road	<b>Carp and catfish.</b> No more than one meal per month.	<u>PCBs</u>
Walnut Creek (Wake County) and Rocky Branch tributary just upstream of confluence with Neuse River	<b>Carp and catfish.</b> No more than one meal per month. <b>All other fish.</b> No more than one meal per week.	<u>PCBs</u>
Santeeclah Lake (Graham County) and Fontana Lake (Graham and Swain counties)	<b>Walleye.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women or children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
Badin Lake (Stanly and Montgomery counties)	<b>Catfish and largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women or children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u> <u>Mercury</u>
Lake Gaston (Warren, Halifax, and Northampton counties)	<b>Walleye and largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women or children under 15. No more than one to two meals per month for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
Mountain Island Reservoir (Gaston and Mecklenburg counties)	<b>Channel catfish.</b> No consumption.	<u>PCBs</u>
Mountain Island Reservoir (Gaston and Mecklenburg counties)	<b>Largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing women or children under 15. No more than two meals per month for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u> <u>Mercury</u>
Mountain Island Reservoir (Gaston and Mecklenburg counties)	<b>Blue catfish.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing women or children under 15. No more than one meal per month for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u> <u>Mercury</u>
Lake Wylie (Gaston and Mecklenburg counties)	<b>Largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing women or children under 15. No more than two meals per month for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u> <u>Mercury</u>
Lake Chatuge (Clay County)	<b>White bass and largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age or children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
Lake Nantahala (Macon County)	<b>Smallmouth bass, walleye, yellow perch, and largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age or children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>Mercury</u>
Lake Norman (Catawba, Iredell, Lincoln and Mecklenburg counties)	<b>Striped bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing women or children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u>
Lake Norman (Catawba, Iredell, Lincoln and Mecklenburg counties)	<b>Largemouth bass.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing women or children under 15. No more than two meals per month for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u> <u>Mercury</u>
Falls Reservoir (Montgomery and Stanly counties), High Rock Lake (Davidson and Rowan counties), and Lake Tillery (Montgomery and Stanly counties)	<b>Catfish.</b> No consumption by women of childbearing age, pregnant women, nursing women or children under 15. No more than one meal per week for all other people.	<u>PCBs</u> <u>Mercury</u>
Dan River in North Carolina downstream of the Duke Energy – Dan River Steam Station Spill Site (Caswell and Rockingham counties)	<b>All fish and shellfish.</b> No consumption.	<u>Coal Ash</u>