



# Striped Killifish

*Fundulus majalis*



## **Description:**

- ◆ males have 15 to 20 black vertical bars on their sides (top fish)
- ◆ females have 2 to 3 horizontal stripes and/or black bars (bottom fish)
- ◆ olive brown back with silvery sides
- ◆ rounded back
- ◆ thick, rounded tail
- ◆ flattened head with a blunt snout and a small mouth

## **Size:**

- ◆ up to 7 inches

## **Range:**

- ◆ New Hampshire to northeastern Florida; northern Gulf of Mexico

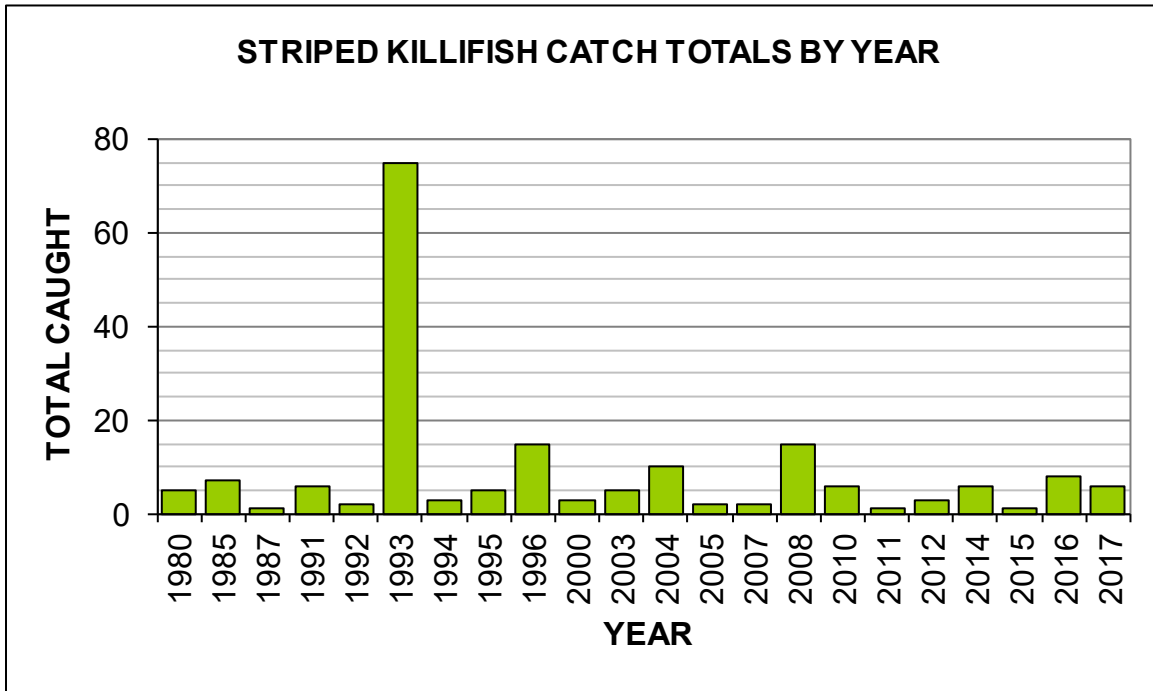
## **Facts:**

- ◆ prefer bays, estuaries and coastal marshes
- ◆ prefer higher salinity waters
- ◆ utilize all available food sources, except detritus
- ◆ able to withstand low oxygen levels and extreme variations in salinity
- ◆ rarely stray more than 100 yards from the shoreline



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\*striped killifish were only caught during the years shown