

ILLINOIS AND NORTH AMERICAN HOOK & LINE RECORD FISH

As of April 2024*

COMMON NAME	WEIGHT	DATE CAUGHT	PLACE CAUGHT	COUNTY	COMMON NAME	WEIGHT	DATE CAUGHT	PLACE CAUGHT	COUNTY
BASS, Largemouth	(IL) 13 lb./1 oz. (NA) 22 lb./4 oz.	2/15/76 6/2/32	Stone Quarry Lk. Montgomery Lk., GA	LAKE	GAR, Spotted	(IL) 8 lb./ 14.7 oz. (NA) 28 lb./8 oz.	7/6/22 3/4/87	Kidd Lake Canal Lake Seminole, FL	MONROE
BASS, Rock	(IL) 1 lb./10 oz. (NA) 3 lb./0 oz. (NA) 3 lb./0 oz.	5/5/87 8/1/74 6/13/69	Aux Sable Creek York River, Ontario, SuGar Creek, IN	GRUNDY CAN.	GOLDEYE	(IL) 2 lb./1 oz. (NA) 3 lb./13 oz.	7/26/98 8/9/87	Embaras River Oahe Tailwater, SD	CUMBERLAND
BASS, Smallmouth	(IL) 7 lb./3 oz. (NA) 11 lb./15 oz.	10/14/19 7/9/55	Lake Michigan Dale Hollow Lake, TN	COOK	LAKE WHITEFISH	(IL) 8 lb./4.0 oz. (NA) 15 lb./6 oz.	6/29/18 5/21/83	Lake Michigan Webster Clear Lake, Ontario, CAN	COOK
BASS, Spotted	(IL) 7 lb./3.12 oz. (NA) 11 lb./3 oz.	3/15/92 2/21/15	Strip Mine New Bullards Bar Res, CA	FULTON	MUSKELLUNGE	(IL) 38 lb./8 oz. (NA) 69 lb./11 oz.	4/20/02 10/20/49	Kaskaskia River Chippewa Flowage, WI	SHELBY
BASS, Striped	(IL) 31 lb./7oz. (NA) 69 lb./9 oz.	5/23/94 2/28/13	Sangchris Lake Black Warrior River, AL	CHRISTIAN	MUSKIE, Tiger	(IL) 31 lb./3 oz. (NA) 51 lb./3 oz.	8/6/04 7/1919	Lake Will Lake Vieux Desert, WI/MI	WILL
BASS, Hybrid Striped	(IL) 21lb /7.2oz. (NA) 27 lb./5 oz.	6/12/17 4/24/97	Lake Bloomington Greer's Ferry Lake, AR	MCCLEAN	NORTHERN HOGSUCKER	(IL) 1 lb./12.3 oz. (NA) 1 lb./12 oz.	3/22/12 3/17/04	Little Vermillion River Fox River, WI	LA SALLE
BASS, White	(IL) 4 lb./14 oz. (NA) 6 lb./7 oz.	10/7/81 9/19/89	Kaskaskia River Saginaw Bay, MI	CLINTON	NORTHERN PIKE	(IL) 26 lb./15 oz. (NA) 46 lb./2 oz.	11/9/89 9/15/40	Strip Mine Lake Sacandaga Rsvr., NY	KANKAKEE
BASS, Yellow	(IL) 2 lb./0 oz. (NA) 2 lb./8 oz.	5/5/94 4/12/00	Farm Pond Tennessee River, AL	MADISON	PERCH, Yellow	(IL) 2 lb./8.75 oz. (NA) 4 lb./3 oz.	1/5/74 5/1865	Arrowhead Club Lake Bordentown, NJ	WILL
BASS, Yellow Hybrid	(IL) 2 lb./ .96 oz. (NA) 2 lb./11 oz.	11/3/08 3/10/97	Rend Lake Sabine River, TX	FRANKLIN	SALMON, Atlantic (Inland)	(IL) 18 lb./11.25 oz. (NA) 22 lb./14 oz.	5/26/79 4/5/05	Lake Michigan Jamaica Pond, MA	COOK
BLUEGILL	(IL) 3 lb./8 oz. (NA) 4 lb./12 oz.	5/10/87 4/9/50	Farm Pond Ketona Lake, AL	JASPER	SALMON, Chinook (Inland)	(IL) 37 lb./0 oz. (NA) 44 lb./14 oz.	8/7/76 7/19/94	Lake Michigan Lake Michigan, WI	LAKE
BOWFIN	(IL) 16 lb./6 oz. (IL) 16 lb./6 oz. (NA) 21 lb./8 oz.	9/23/84 9/14/92 1/29/80	Rend Lake Bay Creek Forest Lake, SC	JEFFERSON POPE	SALMON, Coho (Inland)	(IL) 20 lb./9 oz. (NA) 33 lb./4 oz.	5/24/72 9/27/89	Lake Michigan Salmon River, NY	LAKE
BUFFALO (Bigmouth) (Smallmouth)	(IL) 48 lb./0 oz. (NA) 76 lb./8 oz. (NA) 88 lb./0 oz.	1936 6/21/13 11/14/93	Mississippi River Wisconsin River, WI Lake Wylie, NC	ADAMS	SALMON, Pink (Inland)	(IL) 4 lbs./14.4 oz. (NA) 4 lb./0 oz.	8/4/2022 8/28/01	Lake Michigan Garden River, Ontario, CAN.	LAKE
BUFFALO, Black	(IL) 23 lb./12 oz. (NA) 63 lb./6 oz.	7/27/84 8/14/99	Rock River Mississippi River, IA	LEE	SAUGER	(IL) 5 lb./12.5 oz. (NA) 8 lb./12 oz.	7/30/67 10/6/71	Mississippi River Lake Sakakawea, ND	JO DAVIESS
BULLHEAD, Black	(IL) 5 lb./6 oz. (NA) 8 lb./15 oz.	4/24/88 8/19/87	Strip Mine Sturgis Pond, MI	FULTON	SAUGER-WALLEYE, Hybrid	(IL) 9 lb./10.88 oz. (NA) 15 lb./10 oz.	12/7/01 1/11/95	Evergreen Lake Ft. Peck Rsvr., MT	MCCLEAN
BULLHEAD, Brown	(IL) 3 lb/4.8oz. (NA) 7 lb./6 oz.	5/8/17 8/1/09	Emiquon Lake Mahopac Lake, NY	FULTON	SHORTHEAD REDHORSE	(IL) 4 lbs./12.8 oz. (NA) 11 lb./5 oz.	4/9/21 5/21/83	Big Rock Creek Brunet River, WI	KENDALL
BULLHEAD, Yellow	(IL) 5 lb./4 oz. (NA) 6 lb./4 oz.	1955 5/25/08	Fox River Forest Lake, MA	KANE	SILVER REDHORSE	(IL) 6 lb./11.4 oz. (NA) 14 lb./ 14 oz.	4/24/08 4/2/95	Fox River Pickwick Lake, AL	KANE
BURBOT	(IL) 11 lb./12.5 oz. (NA) 25 lb./2 oz.	12/7/20 3/27/10	Lake Michigan Diefenbaker Lake, Saskatchewan, CAN	COOK	SKIPJACK HERRING	(IL) 2 lb./10.4 oz. (NA) 3 lb./ 12 oz.	5/11/22 2/14/82	Illinois River Goddard Watts Bar Lake, TN	LASALLE
CARP, Bighead	(IL) 72 lbs/ 9 oz.. (NA) 90 lb./0 oz.	11/6/21 7/22/00	Humble Park Lagoon Kirby Lake, TX	COOK	STURGEON, Shovelnose	(IL) 12 lbs./15 oz. (NA) 8 lb./5.76 oz.	1/4/24 11/4/03	Rock River Rock River, IL	WHITESIDE
CARP, Common	(IL) 51 lb./0 oz. (NA) 57 lb./13 oz.	5/1/94 6/19/83	Lake Hillcrest Tidal Basin Washington, D.C.	MADISON	SUNFISH, Green	(IL) 2 lb./1 oz. (NA) 2 lb./2 oz. (NA) 2 lb./2 oz.	6/28/81 6/18/71 5/28/61	Farm Pond Stockton Lake, MO Cherokee Co. Pit, KS	DE WITT
CARP, Grass	(IL) 79 lb./0 oz. (NA) 79 lb./0 oz.	4/12/11 4/12/11	Crescent Lake Crescent Lake, IL	HENRY	SUNFISH, Hybrid	(IL) 2 lb./9.4 oz. (NA) 2 lb./10 oz.	9/20/05 5/17/99	Farm Pond Farm Pond, KS	HENRY
CATFISH, Blue	(IL) 124 lb./0 oz. (NA) 124 lb./0 oz.	5/21/05 5/21/05	Mississippi River Mississippi River, IL	MADISON	SUNFISH, Pumpkinseed	(IL) 1.12 lb. (NA) 2 lb./4 oz.	6/19/20 5/26/97	Hennepin Hooper North Saluda River, SC	PUTMAN
CATFISH, Channel	(IL) 45 lb./4 oz. (NA) 58 lb./0 oz.	2/7/87 7/7/64	Baldwin Lake Santee Cooper Rsv., SC	ST. CLAIR	SUNFISH, Redear	(IL) 3 lb./1.1 oz. (NA) 5 lb./7.5 oz.	5/19/18 11/6/98	Beaver Lake Diversion Canal, SC	GRUNDY
CATFISH, Flathead	(IL) 81 lb./6.4 oz. (NA) 123 lb./0 oz.	8/29/15 5/14/98	Sangchris Lake Elk City Rsvr., KS	CHRISTIAN	TROUT, Brook	(IL) 7 lb./5 oz. (NA) 14 lb./8 oz.	11/3/98 7/1916	Lake Michigan Nipigon River, Ontario, CAN	LAKE
CRAPPIE, Black	(IL) 4 lb./8 oz. (NA) 6 lb./0 oz.	5/15/76 11/28/69	Rend Lake Westwego Canal, LA	FRANKLIN	TROUT, Brown	(IL) 36 lb./11.5 oz. (NA) 41 lb./8 oz.	6/22/97 7/16/10	Lake Michigan Lake Michigan, WI	COOK
CRAPPIE, Hybrid	(IL) 4 lb /8.8 oz. (NA) 2 lb./11 oz.	3/28/17 1/28/05	Kinkaid Lake Shabbona Lake	JACKSON DEKALB	TROUT, Lake	(IL) 39 lb./2.6 oz. (NA) 72 lb./4 oz.	5/31/21 8/19/95	Lake Michigan Great Bear Lake, N.W.T. Canada	COOK
CRAPPIE, White	(IL) 4 lb./7 oz. (NA) 5 lb./3 oz.	4/8/73 7/31/57	Farm Pond Enid Dam, MS	MORGAN	TROUT, Rainbow (Inland)	(IL) 31 lb./6.72 oz. (NA) 48 lb./0 oz.	7/10/93 9/5/09	Lake Michigan Lake Diefenbaker, Saskatchewan, CAN	LAKE
DRUM, Freshwater	(IL) 38 lb./4 oz. (NA) 54 lb./8 oz.	5/24/18 4/20/72	Clinton Lake Nickajack Lake, TN	DEWITT	TROUT, Tiger	(IL) 8 lb./12.5 oz. (NA) 20 lb./13 oz.	6/26/77 8/12/78	Lake Michigan Lake Michigan, WI	COOK
GAR, Longnose	(IL) 22 lb./1 oz. (NA) 50 lb./5 oz.	5/6/06 7/30/54	Ohio River Trinity River, TX	MASSAC	WALLEYE	(IL) 15 lb./1 oz. (NA) 25 lb./0 oz.	3/11/12 8/1/60	Pecatonica River Old Hickory Lake, TN	WINNEBAGO
GAR, Shortnose	(IL) 6 lb./15.2 oz. (NA) 6 lb/ 6 oz.	5/27/18 6/15/01	Horseshoe Lake Kentucky Lake, TN	MADISON	WARMOUTH	(IL) 1 lb./13 oz. (NA) 2 lb./7 oz.	5/22/71 10/19/85	Farm Pond Yellow River, FL	CUMBERLAND

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