**List of Texas Fish Orders, Families and Common Species**

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Revision**

**Order RAJIFORMES**

* Pristidae

*Pristis pelrotteri* Muller and Henle Largetooth Sawfish

*Pristis pectinata* Katgan Smalltooth Sawfish

* Torpedinidae

Narcine brasiliensis (Llifersk) Lesser Electric Ray

* Rhinobatidae

*Rhinobatos lentiginosus* (Garman) Atlantic Guitarfish

* Rajidae
* Dasyatidae

*Dasytis sabina* (Leseuer) Atlantic StingrayUrolophidae

* Gymnuridae

**Order ACIPENSERIFORMES** (two freshwater species of sturgeon)

**Order SEMIONOTIFORMES**

* Lepisosteidae

*Lepisosteus spatula* Lacepede Alligator Gar

*Lepisosteus oeseus* (Linnaeus) Longnose Gar

*Lepisosteus oculatus* (Winchell) Spotted Gar

*Lepisosteus platostomus* Rafinesque Shortnose Gar

**Order AMIIFORMES**

* Amiidae

**Order ELOPIFORMES**

* Elopidae

*Megalops atlantica* Valenciennes Tarpon

*Elops saurus* Linnaeus Ladyfish (Skipjack)

**Order ANGUILLIFORMES**

* Ophichthidae

*Myrophis punctatus* Liitken Speckled Worm Eel

*Letarchus velifer* Goode and Bean Sailfish Eel

*Bascanichthys teres* (Goode and Bean) Sooty Eel

*Bascanichthys scuticaris* (Goode and Bean)

*Ophichthus gomese* (Castelnau) Shrimp Eel

* Muraenidae

*Gymnothorax moringa* (Cuvier)

*Gymnothorax nigromarginatus* (Girard)

* Congridae

*Neoconger mucronatus* Girard Slender Pike Eel

*Congrina gracilor* Ginsberg Whiptail Conger

*Congrina flava* (Goode and Bean) Yelloow Conger

*Paraconger caudilimbatus* (Poey)

*Conger ocedanicus* (Mitchill) Conger Eel

* Muraenesocidae

*Hoplunnia macrurus* Ginsburg Silver Conger

* Anguillidae

Anguilla rostrata (Lesueur) American Eel

* Dysommidae

Dysomma aphododera Ginsburg Shortbelly Eel

**Order CLUPEIFORMES**

* Engraulidae

*Anchoa mitchilli* (Valenciennes) Ba Anchovy

*Anchoa hepsetus* (Linnaetus) Striped Anchovy

* Clupeidae

*Opisthonema oglinum* (Lesueur) Atlantic Thread Herring

*Dorosoma cepedianum* (Lesueur) Gizzard Shad

*Dorosoma petenense* (Gunther)

Alosa chrysochloris (Rafinesque) Skipjack Hering

*Brevoortia patronus* Goode Gulf Menhaden

*Brevoortia gunteri* Hildebrand Finescale Menhaden

*Sardinella anchovia* Valenciennes Spanish Sardine

*Harangula pensacolae* Goode and Bean Scaled Sardine

**Order SALMONIFORMES**

* Argentinidae

*Argentina silus* Ascanius Atlantic Argentine

**Order MYCTOPHIFORMES**

* Myctophidae
* Alepisauridae

Alepisaurus ferox Lowe Longnose Lancetfish

* Synodontidae

Synodus foetens (Linnaeus) Inshore Lizardfish)

* Chlorophthalmidae

**Order SILURIFORMES**

* Ariidae

*Bagre marinus* (Mitchill) Gafftopsail Catfish

*Arius felis* (Linnaeus) Sea Catfish

**Order BATRACHOIDIFORMES**

* Batrachoididae

Porichthys porosissimus (Valenciennes) Atlantic Midshipman

Opsanus beta (Goode and Bean) Gulf Toadfish

**Order GOBIESOCIFORMES**

* Gobiesocidae

*Gobiesox strumosus* Cope Skilletfish

**Order LOPHIIFORMES**

* Ogcocephalaidae
* Lophiidae
* Antennaraiidae

Histrio histrip (Linnaeus) Sargassumfish

**Order GADIFORMES**

* Carapidae
* Bregmacerotidae
* Marcrouridae
* Brotulidae

**Order ATHERINIFORMES**

* Belonidae

*Strongylura marina* (Walbaum) Atlantic Needlefish

* Atherinidae

*Membras martinica* (Valenciennes) Rough Silverside

*Menidia beryllina* (Cope) Tidewater Silverside

* Cyprinodontidae

*Cyprinodon variegatus* Lacepede Sheepshead minnow

*Lucania parva* (Biard) Rainwater Killifish

*Fundullus similis* (Baird and Girard) Longnose Killifish

*Fundulus grandis* Biard and Girard Gulf Killifish

* Poeciliidae

*Gambusia affinis* (Baird and Girard) Mosquitofish

*Poecilla latipinna* (Lesueur) Sailfin Molly

* Hemiramphiidae

Hemirampus unifasciatus Rranzani) Halfbeak

* Exocoetidae

Order BERYCIFORMES

* Polymixiidae
* Trachichthyidae
* Holocentridae

*Holocentrus ascensionis* (Osbeck) Squirrelfish

**Order ZEIFORMES**

* Caproidae
* Zeidae

**Order GASTEROSTEIFORMES**

* Syngnathidae

*Hippocampus erectus* Perry Lined Seahorse

*Hippocampus zosterae* Jordan and Gilbert Dwarf Seahorse

*Syngnatus scovelli* (Evermann and Kendall) Gulf Pipefish

*Syngnatus fuscus* Storer Northern Pipefish

* Fistulariidae
* Centrisscidae

**Order PERCIFORMES**

* Trichiuridae

*Trichiurus lepturus* Linnaeus Atlantic Cutlassfish (Ribbonfish)

* Xiphiidae
* Stromateidae
* Polynemidae

*Polydactylus octonemus* (Girard) Atlantic Threadfin

* Sphyraenidae
* Mugilidae

*Mugil cephalus* Linneaus Striped Mullet

*Mugil curema* Valenciennes White Mullet

* Istiophoridae
* Gobiidae

*Gobioides broussonneti* Lacepede Violet Goby

*Gobiosoma bosci* (Lacepede) Naked Goby

* Blennidae

*Blennius cristatus* Linnaeus Molly Miller

*Blennius marmoreus* Poey Seaweed Blenny

*Chasmoides bosquianus* (Lacepede) Striped Blenny

*Hypleurochilus geminatus* (Woode) Crested Blenny

* Echeneidae
* Clinidae
* Micodesmidae
* Scorpaenidae

*Scorpaena plumieri* Bloch Spotted Scorpionfish

* Dactylopteridae
* Triglidae

*Prionotus roseus* Jordan and Evermann Bluespotted Searobin

* Peristediidae
* Rachycentridae

*Rachycntron canadum* (Linnaeus) Cobia

* Carangidae

*Oligoplites saurus* (Bloch and Schneider) Leatherjacket

*Vomer setapinnis* A(Mitchell) Atlantic Moonfish

*Selene vomer* (Linnaeus) Lookdown

*Chloroscombrus chrysaurus* (Linnaeus) Bumper

*Trachinotus carolinus* (Linnaeus) Florida Pompano

*Trachinotus falcatus* (Linnaeus) Permit

*Trachinotus goodai* Jordan and Evermann Palometa

*Caranx hippos* (Linnaeus) Crevalle Jack

* Pamatomidae
* Scombrida

*Scomberomorus cavalla* Cuvier King Mackerel

*Scomberomorus maculatus* (Mitchill) Spanish Mackerel

* Mullidae
* Acanthuridae
* Pomacentridae

*Abudefdux saxatilis* (Linnaeus) Sargeant Major

*Pomacentrus fuscus* Cuvier Dusky Damselfish

*Pomacentrus variabilis* (Costelnau) Cocoa Damselfish

*Pomacentrus leucostietus* Muller and Troschel Beaugregory

* Cichlidae
* Sciaenidae

*Pogonias cromis* (Linnaeus) black Drum

*Micropogon undulatus* (Linnaeus) Atlantic Croaker

*Menticirrhus littoralis* (Holbrook) Gulf Kingfish (Whiting)

*Cynoscion nebulosus* (Cuvier) Spotted Seatrout

*Cynoscion nothus* (Holbrook) Silver Sedatrout

*Cynoscion arenarius* Ginsburg Sand Seatrout

*Sciaenops ocellata* (LInneaus) Red Drum

*Leiostomus xanthurus* Lacepede Spot

*Bairdiella chrysura* (Lacepeda) Silver Perch

* Centropomidae

*Centropoumus undecimalis* (Bloch) Snook

* Pomadasyidae
* Uranoscopidae

*Astroscopus y-graecum* (Cuvier Souther Stargazer

* Scaridae
* Labridae
* Chaetodontidae

*Chaetodon ocellatus* Bloch Spotfin Butterflyfish

* Ephippidae

*Chaetodipterus faber* (Broussonet) Atlantic Spadefish

* Callionymidae
* Eleotridae
* Gerreidae

*Eucinostomus gula* (Quoy and Gaimard) Silver Jenny

*Eucinostomus argenteus* Baird and Girard Spotfin Mojarra

* Opistognathidae
* Coryphaenidae
* Percidae
* Elassomidae
* Centrarchidae
* Branchiostegidae
* Stromateidae

*Peprilus burti* Fowler Gulf Butterfish

* Percophididae
* Grammistidae

*Ripticus saponaceus* (Bloch and Schneider) Greater Soapfish

* Apogonidae
* Kyphosidae

*Kyphosus sectatrix* (Linnaeus) Bermuda Chub

* Lutjanidae

*Lutjanus synagris* s(Linnaeus) Lane Snapper

* Pomadasyidae
* Sparidae

*Lagadon rhomboides* (Linnaeus) Pinfish

*Archosargus probatocephalus* (Walbaum) Sheepshead

* Lobotidae

*Lobotes serinamenis* (Bloch) Trippletail

* Priacanthidae
* Percichthyidae
* Serranidae

*Serranus subligaris* (Cope) Belted Sandfish

*Epinephelus adcensionia* (Osbeck) Rock Hind

**Order PLEURONECTIFORMES**

* Cynoglossidae (Tonguefishes)

*Symphurus plagiusa* (Linnaeus Blackcheek Tonguefish

* Soleidae (Soles)

*Achirus lineatus* (Linnaeus) Lined Sole

*Trinectes maculatus* (Bloch and Schneider) Hogchoker

* Bothidae (Left-Eyed Flounder)

*Citharichthys spilopterus* Guther Bay Whiff

*Paralichthys albigutta* Jordan and Gilbert Gulf Flounder

*Paralichthys lethostigma* Jordan and Gilbert Southern Flounder

* Pleuronectidae (Right-eyed Flounder)

**Order TETRODONTIFORMES**

* Ostraciidae (Trunkfishes)

*Acanthostracian quadricornis* (Linnaeus) Scrawled Cowfish

* Triacanthodidae
* Balistidae

*Balistes vetula* Linnaeus Queen Triggerfish

*Xanthichthyra ringens* (Linnaeus) Sargassum Triggerfish

* Monacanthidae

*Monacanthgus hispidus* (Linnaeus) Panhead Filefish)

*Allutera scriptus* (Osbeck) Scrawled Filefish

*Alutera schoepffii* (Walbaum) Orange Filefish

* Molidae
* Diodontidae

*Diodon hystrix* Linnaeus Porcupinefish

*Chilomycterus schoepfi* (Walbaum) Striped Burrfish

* Tetradodontidae

*Sphoeroides nephalus* (Goode and Bean) Southern Puffer

*Sphoeroides parva* Shipp and Yerger Least Puffer