

Summary of Alabama's 2016 Mandatory Red Snapper Reporting Program



Results:

Summary of reported trip information, trip correction factors, and landings estimates for the 2016 federal and state red snapper seasons (May 7-Nov. 27)

Fishing Mode	Season ¹	Reported No. of Anglers	Reported No. of Fish Landed	Reported No. of Dead Discards	Unreported Landed Fish Correction Factor ²	Estimated Total No. of Fish Landed	Estimated Mean Weight (lbs)	Estimated Landed Pounds
Charter	Federal (June 1 - July 14)	17,792	34,315	944	2.27	77,816	9.30	723,346
Charter	State (AL & FL seasons)	505	874	25	2.44	2,136	6.42	13,721
Private	Federal (June 1 - June 11)	8,671	15,532	1,297	4.31	66,959	9.19	615,103
Private	State (AL & FL seasons)	5,744	8,774	727	3.65	31,983	6.46	206,664
	TOTALS:	32,712	59,495	2,963	3.01	178,894	8.71	1,558,834

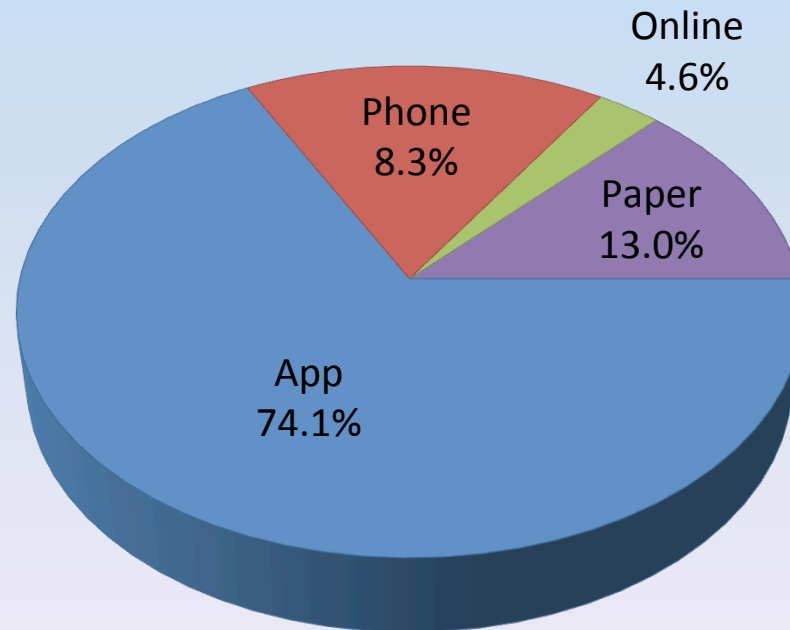
¹ – State seasons comprised of days when only state waters were open to red snapper harvest (federal waters were closed). Florida season was open weekend days May 7-28 and Friday-Sunday Sept. 2-Nov. 27.

² - Estimates may not calculate exactly due to rounding. Trip correction factor includes adjustments for trip non-reporting and under/over-reporting of number of anglers and fish harvested as derived from comparisons of reported data to validation data for the same vessel.



Results:

Reporting methods used by charter and private vessel captains during the 2016 season



Total reports = 5,836



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Number of reports submitted by fishing mode and county of landing

Fishing Mode	Baldwin Co.	Mobile Co.	Totals
Charter	2,442	144	2,586
Private	1,794	1,456	3,250
Totals:	4,236	1,600	5,836



Estimates comparison: 2014-2016

Red snapper harvest estimates from Alabama's Snapper Check program and the Federal Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP)

Fishing Mode	2014 Alabama Estimates (lbs)	2014 Federal Estimates (lbs)	2015 Alabama Estimates (lbs)	2015 Federal Estimates (lbs)	Preliminary 2016 Alabama Estimates (lbs)	Preliminary 2016 Federal Estimates (lbs) ¹
Charter	244,414	140,021	592,138	669,894	737,067	762,594
Private	356,741	951,421	817,367	1,703,498	821,767	2,028,457
TOTALS	601,155	1,091,442	1,409,505	2,373,392	1,558,834	2,791,051

¹ – Provided by NOAA Fisheries. Represent preliminary landings for Jan. 1 – Oct. 31.

Annual Federal estimates are 81%, 68%, and 79% higher than Snapper Check estimates for 2014, 2015, and 2016, respectively.

