

Eat Fish, Choose Wisely

- Pregnant women, breastfeeding women, women who may become pregnant, and children 11 years and older: Eat 2 to 3 servings a week of fish from the list of "Best Choices" (fish lowest in mercury and fish low in mercury) OR 1 serving a week from the "Good Choices" list. The serving size for adults and children 11 years and older is 4 ounces.
- Children 1 to 10 years:
 Eat 2 servings a week from the list of "Fish Lowest in Mercury."
 On average, a serving is about: 1 ounce at age 1 to 3 years

1 ounce at age 1 to 3 years 2 ounces at age 4 to 7 years 3 ounces at age 8 to 10 years



Best Choices

Fish Lowest in Mercury

Anchovy Catfish Clam Crab Crawfish Flounder Haddock Mackerel - Atlantic Mullet Ovster (cooked) Plaice Pollock Salmon Sardine Scallop Shad Shrimp Sole Sauid Tilapia Trout, freshwater Whiting

Fish Low in Mercury

Butterfish Cod Croaker - Atlantic Hake Herring Lobster - American and Spiny Mackerel - Pacific Chub or Jack Perch - Freshwater and Ocean Pickerel Skate Smelt Tuna - canned Light and Skipjack Whitefish

Good Choices

Fish Moderate in Mercury

Bluefish Buffalofish Carp Chilean Sea Bass/Pantagonian Toothfish Croaker - White and Pacific Grouper Halibut Mahi Mahi/Dolphinfish Monkfish Pompano - Florida Rockfish Sablefish Sheepshead Snapper Spanish Mackerel Striped Bass - Ocean Tarpon Tilefish - Atlantic Ocean Tuna - Albacore and White, canned and fresh/frozen Tuna - Yellowfin Weakfish/Seatrout

Do not eat these fish!

Fish Highest in Mercury

Cobia King Mackerel Little Tunny Marlin Orange Roughy Shark Swordfish Tilefish - Gulf of Mexico Tuna - Bigeye and Blackfin

Mercury can pass through the placenta or breast milk and harm your baby. Too much mercury can also harm infants and young children.

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If you eat fish caught by family or friends, check for local or state fish advisories. In some bodies of water in Florida, it is recommended <u>not to eat</u> the following fish: largemouth bass, chain pickerel, black crappie, common snook, red drum, yellow bullhead catfish, flathead catfish, spotted sunfish, crevalle jack, bank seabass, weakfish, and scamp grouper. There are also some fish in bodies of water in Florida in which it is recommended to only eat the fish once per month.

Caution: If you are pregnant, do not eat raw oysters, raw fish such as sushi, or refrigerated smoked fish. Do not feed raw fish or fish with bones to infants or children. Do not eat Puffer Fish.