



## RAINWATER KILLIFISH

*Lucania parva*

### **Description:**

- ◇ straw colored head and body
- ◇ sometimes dark blotches on sides
- ◇ each scale darkly outlined
- ◇ males will have a yellowish dorsal fin, dark spot near base, fin becomes orange near rear
- ◇ pelvic and anal fins are orange or yellowish with orange edges

### **Size:**

- ◇ up to 1.5 inches

### **Range:**

- ◇ Massachusetts to the northern Gulf of Mexico to the Florida Keys and northeastern Mexico

### **Facts:**

- ◇ eats larval crustaceans, mosquito larvae, small worms and mollusks
- ◇ likes vegetated quiet waters
- ◇ tolerates a wide range of salinity
- ◇ most often found in slow-moving backwaters and marshes
- ◇ will remove external parasites from other members of its species

### **RAINWATER KILLIFISH CATCH TOTALS**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>
1981	1
1985	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2</b>

\*rainwater killifish were only caught during the years shown

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