



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

Year	Total
1981	1
1985	1
Grand Total	2

*rainwater killifish were only caught during the years shown