Why should I eat fish?

Fish is a lean protein, low saturated fat food that acts as a major source of omega-3 fatty acids, vitamin D, selenium, and other vitamins and minerals. These vitamins. minerals, and other nutrients promote heart and brain health and can lower blood pressure, reducing the risk of a heart attack or stroke. Pregnant or nursing women may pass these nutrients to their babies, which can support healthy brain and eye development.



How much should I eat?

A serving size for an adult is six ounces cooked (eight ounces uncooked), or one ounce of uncooked fish for every 20 pounds of body weight.



Do not eat raw fish

Pregnant individuals, infants, and children should avoid eating raw oysters, raw fish (sushi), or refrigerated smoked fish.

Eating locally caught fish

Before eating the fish you catch, check the Indiana Department of Health's fish consumption guidelines for advice on locally caught fish.

For more information:

Indiana Fish Consumption Guidelines webpage:



https://www.in.gov/health/eph/fishconsumption-advisory/ Eating safe fish



Advice for pregnant or nursing individuals, individuals who may become pregnant, and children



Advice for eating store-bought fish

Best choice Unrestricted consumption	Great choice One meal per week	Good choice One meal per month	Avoid One meal per two months
 Atlantic Shad Mackerel Shrimp Catfish, Squid farmed Tilapia Clam Whiting Crawfish Oyster 	 Atlantic mackerel croaker Perch, freshwater bass Perch, ocean Buffalofish Pickerel Butterfish Sheepshead Carp, farmed Smelt Cod Snapper Crab Striped bass Flatfish Haddock Haring Lobster Mahi mahi/ dolphinfish Monkfish Pacific chub 	 Bluefish white, Chilean sea fresh/ bass frozen Grouper Tuna, Halibut bigeye Marlin Tuna, Orange yellowfin roughy Weakfish/ Rockfish seatrout Sablefish White Spanish croaker/ mackerel Pacific Tuna, croaker albacore/ white, canned Tuna, albacore/ 	 King mackerel Shark Swordfish Tilefish, Gulf of Mexico
 Mullet Pollock Salmon, fresh/ frozen Sardine 			Warning: Excessive mercu- ry can pass through the placenta or breast milk and harm your baby. Do not eat fish from this cate- gory.