

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
FISH AND SHELLFISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

ADV-16

Samples of fish taken from Lake Pruitt (Black Cypress Bayou) and Lake Kimball indicate levels of mercury are above an acceptable level in edible tissue. Mercury is a naturally occurring element that can cause harmful effects to the central nervous system, particularly in young children or infants exposed prenatally.

COUNTIES: Cass, Hardin and Tyler

AREA: All waters of Lake Pruitt (Black Cypress Bayou) and Lake Kimball.

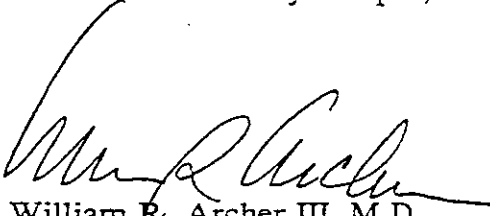
SPECIES AFFECTED: All fish species

CONSUMPTION ADVISORY: Children under 11 years old should consume no more than two meals, not to exceed 4 ounces of fish per serving, per month.

Adults should consume no more than two meals, not to exceed 8 ounces of fish per serving, per month.

This advisory shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing.

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Commissioner of Health