Why eat fish?

Eating fish is good for your health. Fish have Omega-3s that can reduce your risk for heart disease and improve how the brain develops in unborn babies and children.

What is the concern?

Some fish have high levels of mercury and **PCBs**. Mercury can negatively affect how the brain develops in unborn babies and children. PCBs might cause cancer.

Some chemicals are in the fat and skin of the fish. Throw these parts away and eat only the fillet.

What is a serving?



For Adults

For Children

The recommended serving of fish is about the size and thickness of your hand. Give children smaller servings.

Fish buying guidelines for women 18 – 49 and children 1 – 17

Do not eat fish caught by family or friends in the same week that you eat fish bought in a store or restaurant. For fish that you buy:

Safe to eat 2 servings
per week of low
mercury fish such
as salmon ♥,
pollock, catfish,
tilapia, shrimp, anchovies ♥,
sardines ♥, trout ♥, or
canned chunk-light tuna

OR

- Safe to eat 1
 serving per week
 of medium-mercury fish such as
 canned albacore (white) tuna
- **Do not eat** shark, swordfish, tilefish, or king mackerel



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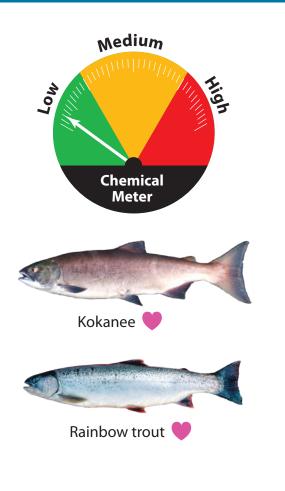
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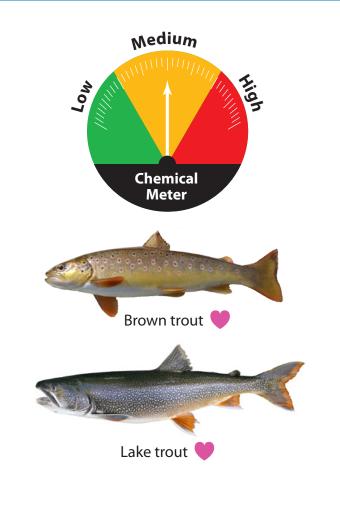
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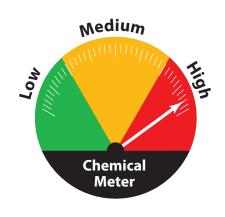
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A guide to eating fish caught in Donner Lake, Nevada County







Kokanee photo: Travis Shinabarger Brown and Lake trout photos: Michigan Sea Grant

= High in Omega-3s

Safe to eat

Kokanee – 2 servings per week

OR

Rainbow trout

- 4 servings per week for women18 49 and children 1 17
- 7 servings per week for men over18 and women over 49

OR

Safe to eat 1 serving per week There are no fish with high levels of chemicals