

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Longnose Gar

*Lepisosteus osseus*

The Longnose Gar is a distinctive freshwater fish known for its elongated body and especially long, narrow snout filled with sharp teeth. This prehistoric-looking species is covered in hard, diamond-...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Lepisosteidae

**Habitat:** Freshwater rivers, lakes, and backwaters

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 15-20 years

**Weight:** 2-7 kg

**Scientific name:** *Lepisosteus osseus*

### Did you know?

- Longnose Gar can leap out of the water to escape predators or catch prey, using their powerful tails.
- Longnose Gar have existed for over 100 million years, barely changing in appearance since the time of the dinosaurs. Their ganoid scales are so tough...

### What I learned

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