

Animal Fact Sheet

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Northern pike

Esox lucius

The Northern pike is a large, predatory freshwater fish known for its elongated body, pointed snout, and sharp teeth. It has a distinctive green to gray coloration with lighter, irregular spots along...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish**Family:** Esocidae**Habitat:** Freshwater lakes, rivers, and marshes**Diet:** Carnivore**Conservation status:** Least Concern**Lifespan:** 10-15 years**Weight:** 2–16 kg (4.4–35 lbs), occasionally up to 28 kg (62 lbs)**Scientific name:** *Esox lucius*

Did you know?

- Northern pike have been known to occasionally prey on waterfowl and even small mammals that venture near the water's edge.
- Northern pike can remain motionless for long periods, waiting to ambush unsuspecting prey. They are sometimes called the 'water wolf' due to their pr...

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