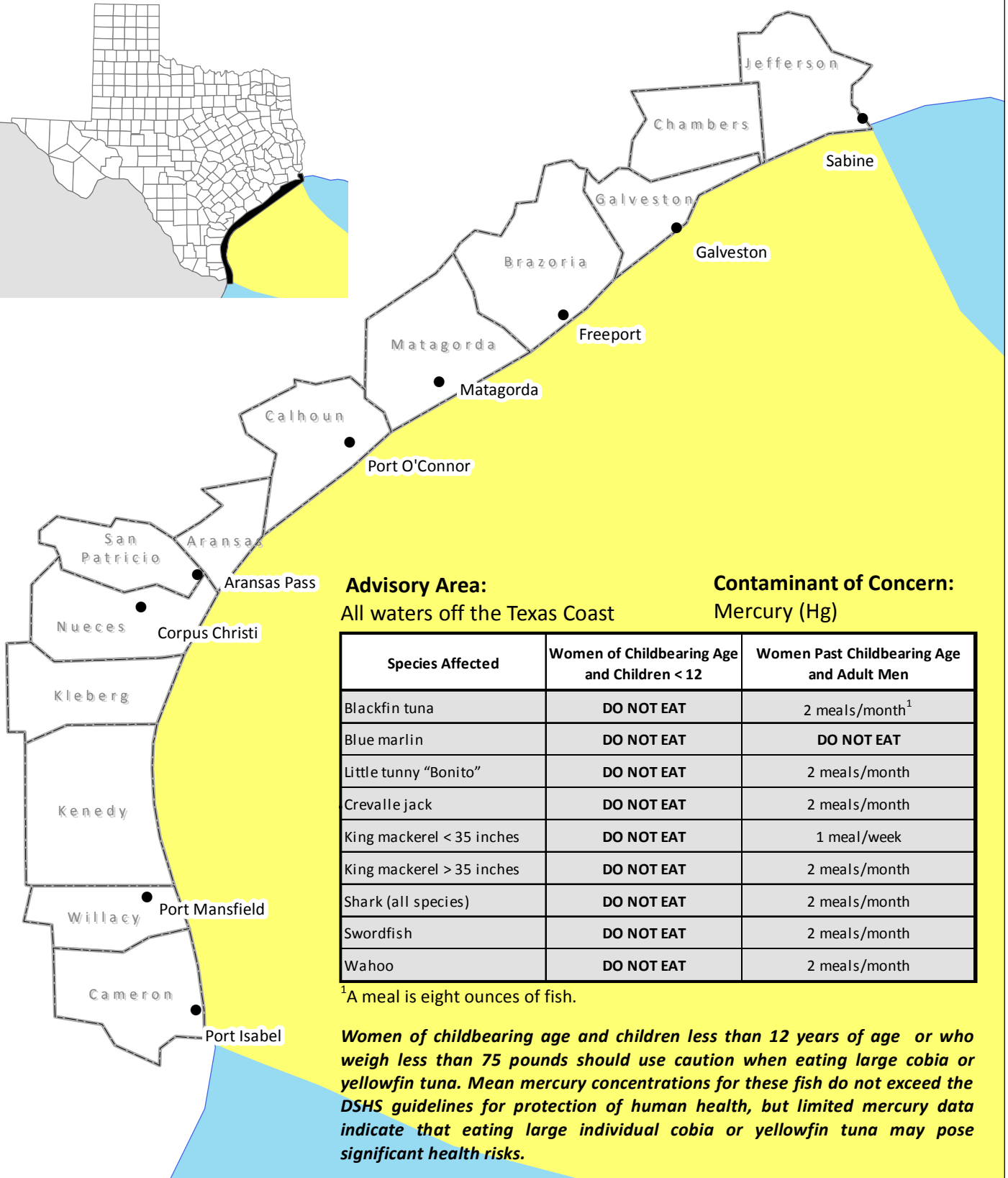
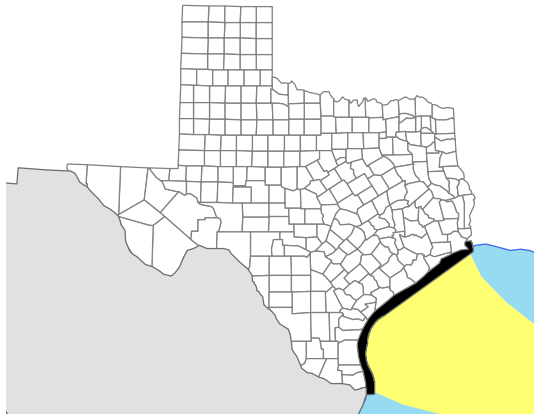


Northwestern Gulf

Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Galveston, Jefferson, Kenedy, Kleberg, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio and Willacy Counties

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Advisory Area:
All waters off the Texas Coast

Contaminant of Concern:
Mercury (Hg)

Species Affected	Women of Childbearing Age and Children < 12	Women Past Childbearing Age and Adult Men
Blackfin tuna	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month ¹
Blue marlin	DO NOT EAT	DO NOT EAT
Little tunny "Bonito"	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month
Crevalle jack	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month
King mackerel < 35 inches	DO NOT EAT	1 meal/week
King mackerel > 35 inches	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month
Shark (all species)	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month
Swordfish	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month
Wahoo	DO NOT EAT	2 meals/month

¹A meal is eight ounces of fish.

Women of childbearing age and children less than 12 years of age or who weigh less than 75 pounds should use caution when eating large cobia or yellowfin tuna. Mean mercury concentrations for these fish do not exceed the DSHS guidelines for protection of human health, but limited mercury data indicate that eating large individual cobia or yellowfin tuna may pose significant health risks.

