

Table 4-1
Classification System for Calcasieu Estuary Fish and Invertebrates

Prey Group	Description of Group	Species	Size Class
<i>Invertebrates</i>			
1A	Small Sedentary Bivalves	<i>Rangia</i> clams, mussels, oysters	< 7.5 cm
1B	Small Sedentary Crustaceans	fidler crabs, hermit crabs, juvenile blue crabs	< 7.5 cm
2A	Small Migratory Crustaceans	shrimp	< 12.5 cm
2B	Large Migratory Crustaceans	blue crabs	> 12.5 cm
<i>Fish</i>			
1	Small Sedentary Species - Low Trophic Level (< 2.5)	killifish, sheepshead minnows, blennies, gobies, midshipman, mollies	< 15 cm
2A	Small Migratory Species - Low Trophic Level (< 2.5)	mullet, shad, anchovies, sunfish, spadefish, menhaden, herring, silverside	< 15 cm
2B	Small Migratory Species - High Trophic Level (>2.5)	puffer, spot, croaker, whiff, pinfish	< 15 cm
3A	Medium Migratory Species - Low Trophic Level (< 2.5)	mullet, shad, anchovies, spadefish, menhaden, herring, sunfish	15 - < 30 cm
3B	Medium Migratory Species - High Trophic Level (>2.5)	puffer, spot, croaker, whiff, pinfish, seatrout, black drum, redfish	15 - < 30 cm
4A	Large Migratory Species - Low Trophic Level (< 2.5)	mullet, shad	30 - 90 cm
4B	Large Migratory Species - High Trophic Level (>2.5)	croaker, redfish, black drum, flounder	30 - 90 cm

cm - centimeter