

Oncorhynchus mykiss   

System: Freshwater

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Actinopterygii	Salmoniformes	Salmonidae

Common name

Regenbogenforelle (German), Kamchatka steelhead (English, Russian Federation), trucha arco iris (English, Dominican Republic), Truta (Portuguese), steelhead trout (English), Hardhead (English, United States), Coast range trout (English, United States), redband trout (English), Forelle (German), truite arc-en-ciel (French), Regnbogasilungur (Icelandic), Forel rajduzhna (Ukrainian), Dagova pastarva (Bulgarian), K'wsech (Salish, British Columbia, Canada), Kamchatka trout (English, Russian Federation), Kirjolohi (Finnish, Finland), Kamloops trout (English, Canada), Kamloops (English, United States), Nijimasu (Japanese), Masu (Japanese, Japan), Rainbow trout (English), Lord-fish (English, Newfoundland, Canada), Pastrva (Serbian, Yugoslavia), Pestropha (Greek), Orret (Norwegian), Rainbow trout (English, Alaska, United States), Summer salmon (English, United Kingdom), Regenboogforel (Dutch), Regenbogenforelle (German, Germany), Redband (English, United States), Steelhead (English, United States), Pstruh duhový (Czech), Regnbåge (Swedish), Regnbågslax (Swedish), Stahkopfforelle (German), Alabalik (Turkish), Silver trout (English), Salmon trout (English, United States), Coast rainbow trout (English, Canada), Trucha arco iris (Spanish), Coast angel trout (English), Steelhead trout (English), Brown trout (English, Nepal), Aure (Norwegian), Regnbueørret (Norwegian), Stålhovedørred (Danish), Salmones del Pacífico (Spanish), Baiser (English, Newfoundland, Canada), Baja California rainbow trout (English, Mexico), Trofte ylberi (Albanian), Amerikaniki Pestrofa (Greek), Sxew'k'em (Salish, British Columbia, Canada), Trofta ylberi (Albanian), Truta-arco-iris (Portuguese), Trucha (Spanish), Trota (Italian), Trota iridea (Italian), Trucha arcoiris (Spanish, Mexico), Urriði (Icelandic), Alabalik türü (Turkish), Pstrag teczowy (Polish, Poland), Pstruh dúhový (Slovak), Regnbueørred (Danish)

Synonym

Salmo mykiss , (Walbaum, 1792)
Fario gairdneri , (Richardson, 1836)
Onchorhynchus mykiss , (Walbaum, 1792)
Oncorhynchus kamloops , (Jordan, 1892)
Oncorhynchus mykiss nelsoni , (Evermann, 1908)
Parasalmo mykiss , (Walbaum, 1792)
Salmo gairdneri irideus , (Gibbons, 1855)
Salmo gairdneri shasta , (Jordan, 1894)
Salmo gairdneri , (Richardson, 1836)
Salmo gairdnerii gairdnerii , (Richardson, 1836)
Salmo gairdnerii irideus , (Gibbons, 1855)
Salmo gairdnerii , (Richardson, 1836)
Salmo gilberti , (Jordan, 1894)
Salmo iridea , (Gibbons, 1855)
Salmo irideus argentatus , (Bajkov, 1927)
Salmo irideus , (Gibbons, 1855)
Salmo kamloops whitehousei , (Dymond, 1931)
Salmo kamloops , (Jordan, 1892)
Salmo masoni , (Suckley, 1860)
Salmo nelsoni , (Evermann, 1908)
Salmo purpuratus , (Pallas, 1814)
Salmo rivularis kamloops , (Jordan, 1892)
Salmo rivularis , (Ayres, 1855)
Salmo stellatus , (Girard, 1856)
Salmo truncatus , (Suckley, 1859)
Salmo mykiss , (Walbaum, 1792)

Similar species

Salmo trutta

Summary

Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) are one of the most widely introduced fish species in the world. Native to western North America, from Alaska to the Baja Peninsula, *Oncorhynchus mykiss* have been introduced to numerous countries for sport and commercial aquaculture. *Oncorhynchus mykiss* is highly valued as a sportfish, with regular stocking occurring in many locations where wild populations cannot support the pressure from anglers. Concerns have been raised about the effects of introduced trout in some areas, as they may affect native fish and invertebrates through predation and competition.



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Species Description

Rainbow trout are a deep-bodied, compressed species of fish, with extremely large sea-run individuals growing to 1220mm and 16.3kg. The general body shape is typical for a trout, with a moderately large head and a mouth that extends back behind the eyes. Rainbow trout have highly variable colouration. Rainbow trout that live in lakes have a very silvery appearance, usually with a dark olive-green colour on the back. Occasionally the back is a deep steely blue, mostly in Rainbow trout that live well offshore in deep lakes or in small fish that have not yet spawned. Numerous spots are present on the back and extend about two-thirds of the way to the lateral line down the sides. The sides are silvery and largely free of spots, while the belly and ventral surface of the head are whitish. Eyes are an olive to bronze colour. Sometimes a soft, metallic-pink colour is present along the sides of the body and the head.

When rainbow trout leave lakes to spawn, their colours become more intense. The pinkish stripe that is present on the sides of lake fish becomes a rich crimson colour, the fins become a stronger red colour, and there is sometimes a red slash in the folds below the lower jaw. The belly and the lower sides turn a smoky grey and spots on the sides and upper fins become bolder and more clearly delineated. Rainbow trout parr (juveniles) have an olive-green colour on the back and silvery olive high on the sides. There are 8-13 oval-shaped marks along the sides, which may also have smaller dark spots along them. Rosy-yellow markings occur along the lateral lines between the oval marks. As the parr grows, adult colouration is attained (McDowall, 1990)

Lifecycle Stages

Lake fish usually spawn in lake tributaries, where the young trout feed and grow before migrating downstream after about a year. Growing to maturity in the lake takes around 2 to 4 years, at which time they migrate back to the tributaries to spawn. Most fish will return to the tributary in which they hatched (McDowall, 1990). Some lake populations may spawn in lake-shore gravels rather than travel into tributaries (*ibid*)

Uses

Rainbow trout are highly valued as both a sport and table fish. They are the basis of many sport fisheries and are highly sought-after by anglers. In many locations rainbow trout are raised in hatcheries, then liberated into rivers and streams for recreational anglers to catch. They have also been introduced to many countries as an aquaculture species for commercial purposes (FishBase, 2003).

Habitat Description

Rainbow trout are primarily a freshwater fish, although sea-run populations, often known as steelhead, exist in some areas. It is unclear whether this migration to sea water is genetic or simply opportunistic, but it appears that any population of rainbow trout is capable of migrating to or surviving in the sea if the need arises (FishBase, 2003)

Well-oxygenated, clean fresh water, with a temperature of around 12°C is preferred, although a range from 10°C to 24°C is tolerated (FishBase, 2003). Rainbow trout tend to thrive better in lakes than in streams or rivers, although large fish are often present in remote headwaters (McDowall, 1990).

Reproduction

Sexual. Fertilisation is external, with the female trout excavating a hollow in streambed gravel for the eggs to be laid in. Between 700 and 4000 orange-red eggs are laid per spawning event. The male then fertilises the eggs and they are covered with a layer of gravel. This 'nest' is known as a redd (McDowall, 1990; FishBase, 2003).

Nutrition

Adult rainbow trout eat insects (both aquatic and terrestrial), crustaceans, molluscs, fish eggs, and small fish. Young trout feed predominantly on zooplankton (Cadwallader & Backhouse, 1983 in Fishbase, 2003).

General Impacts

Impacts include hybridisation, disease transmission, predation and competition with native species.

In the United States, the introduction of rainbow trout into areas outside of their native range has caused problems due to their ability to hybridise with native salmonid species, affecting their genetic integrity. Some species, such as the Alvord cutthroat (*Oncorhynchus clarki* subsp1.) have become virtually extinct because of this. Other species known to be affected by hybridisation include the Lahontan cutthroat trout (*O. clarki henshawi*); golden trout (*O. aquabonita*); redband trout (*O. mykiss* subsp.); Gila trout (see [O. gilae in IUCN Red List of threatened Species](#)) and Arizona trout (see [O. apache in IUCN Red List of Threatened Species](#)) (Fuller, 2000).

Whirling disease is a condition caused by a protozoan ([Myxobolus cerebralis](#)) that causes dysfunction in the nervous system of salmonids, and may result in curvature of the vertebral column. This results in fish losing the ability to maintain a proper orientation, causing them to swim in a spiral motion (McDowall, 1990). The stocking of hatchery-reared trout into the wild has caused outbreaks of this disease in the United States, threatening wild fish populations (Fuller, 2000).

In many countries introduced rainbow trout have been reported to have negative effects on native fish, amphibians and invertebrates. In New Zealand it is suspected that rainbow trout affect native fish species through direct predation and competition for feeding areas (McDowall, 1990), while in the United States there is evidence that the same is happening to fish such as the humpback chub (see [Gila cypha in IUCN Red List of Threatened Species](#)), suckers, and squawfish (Fuller, 2000).

Management Info

Preventative measures: The use of potentially invasive alien species for aquaculture and their accidental release/or escape can have negative impacts on native biodiversity and ecosystems. [Hewitt et al, \(2006\) Alien Species in Aquaculture: Considerations for responsible use](#) aims to first provide decision makers and managers with information on the existing international and regional regulations that address the use of alien species in aquaculture, either directly or indirectly; and three examples of national responses to this issue (Australia, New Zealand and Chile). The publication also provides recommendations for a 'simple' set of guidelines and principles for developing countries that can be applied at a regional or domestic level for the responsible management of Alien Species use in aquaculture development. These guidelines focus primarily on marine systems, however may equally be applied to freshwater.

[Copp et al, \(2005\) Risk identification and assessment of non-native freshwater fishes](#) presents a conceptual risk assessment approach for freshwater fish species that addresses the first two elements (hazard identification, hazard assessment) of the UK environmental risk strategy. The paper presents a few worked examples of assessments on species to facilitate discussion. The electronic [Decision-support tools- Invasive-species identification tool kits that includes a freshwater and marine fish invasives scoring kit](#) are made available on the Cefas (Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science) page for free download (subject to Crown Copyright (2007-2008)).

Chemical: Antimycin, an antibiotic, is used to kill rainbow trout in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in the US, in an effort to protect native brook trout (ESPN, 2003).

Pathway

Introduced to many locations as an aquaculture species. Introduced to many locations to 'improve' the native fish fauna for anglers.

Principal source:

Compiler: IUCN SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group

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[1] ZIMBABWE	

Red List assessed species 33: EX = 1; CR = 8; EN = 8; VU = 9; NT = 2; DD = 1; LC = 4;

Amphilius natalensis LC	Amphilius uranoscopus LC
Anaxyrus canorus EN	Barbus calidus VU
Barbus erubescens CR	Chiloglanis bifurcus EN
Chlorolestes apricans EN	Diplomystes chilensis DD
Ecchlorolestes peringueyi VU	Kneria auriculata LC
Lepidomeda vittata VU	Litoria spenceri CR
Metacnemis angusta VU	Metacnemis valida EN
Orestias ctenolepis VU	Orestias olivaceus VU
Orestias pentlandii VU	Orestias silustani VU
Parapsilorhynchus prateri CR	Pelasgus marathonicus NT
Podiceps andinus EX	Pseudacris regilla LC
Pseudobarbus burgi EN	Pseudobarbus quathlambae EN
Pseudobarbus tenuis NT	Rana muscosa EN
Rollandia microptera EN	Salmo akairos VU
Salmo platycephalus CR	Sinocyclocheilus grahami CR
Somuncuria somuncurensis CR	Sympetrum evanescens CR
Telmatobius atacamensis CR	

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Summary: The electronic tool kits made available on the Cefas page for free download are Crown Copyright (2007-2008). As such, these are freeware and may be freely distributed provided this notice is retained. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and users should satisfy themselves as to the applicability of the results in any given circumstance. Toolkits available include 1) FISK- Freshwater Fish Invasiveness Scoring Kit (English and Spanish language version); 2) MFISK- Marine Fish Invasiveness Scoring Kit; 3) MI-ISK- Marine invertebrate Invasiveness Scoring Kit; 4) FI-ISK- Freshwater Invertebrate Invasiveness Scoring Kit and AmphISK- Amphibian Invasiveness Scoring Kit. These tool kits were developed by Cefas, with new VisualBasic and computational programming by Lorenzo Vilizzi, David Cooper, Andy South and Gordon H. Copp, based on VisualBasic code in the original Weed Risk Assessment (WRA) tool kit of P.C. Pheloung, P.A. Williams & S.R. Halloy (1999).

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[The guidance document](http://www.cefas.co.uk/media/118009/fisk_guide_v2.pdf) is available from http://www.cefas.co.uk/media/118009/fisk_guide_v2.pdf [Accessed 13 January 2009].

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Summary: This publication aims to first provide decision makers and managers with information on the existing international and regional regulations that address the use of alien species in aquaculture, either directly or indirectly; and three examples of national responses to this issue (New Zealand, Australia and Chile).

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[IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group \(ISSG\)., 2010. A Compilation of Information Sources for Conservation Managers.](#)

Summary: This compilation of information sources can be sorted on keywords for example: Baits & Lures, Non Target Species, Eradication, Monitoring, Risk Assessment, Weeds, Herbicides etc. This compilation is at present in Excel format, this will be web-enabled as a searchable database shortly. This version of the database has been developed by the IUCN SSC ISSG as part of an Overseas Territories Environmental Programme funded project XOT603 in partnership with the Cayman Islands Government - Department of Environment. The compilation is a work under progress, the ISSG will manage, maintain and enhance the database with current and newly published information, reports, journal articles etc.

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Summary: In 1993, Canada, Mexico and the United States signed the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (NAAEC) as a side agreement to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The NAAEC established the Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) to help the Parties ensure that improved economic efficiency occurred simultaneously with trilateral environmental cooperation. The NAAEC highlighted biodiversity as a key area for trilateral cooperation. In 2001, the CEC adopted a resolution (Council Resolution 01-03), which created the Biodiversity Conservation Working Group (BCWG), a working group of high-level policy makers from Canada, Mexico and the United States. In 2003, the BCWG produced the Strategic Plan for North American Cooperation in the Conservation of Biodiversity. This strategy identified responding to threats, such as invasive species, as a priority action area. In 2004, the BCWG, recognizing the importance of prevention in addressing invasive species, agreed to work together to develop the draft CEC Risk Assessment Guidelines for Aquatic Alien Invasive Species (hereafter referred to as the Guidelines). These Guidelines will serve as a tool to North American resource managers who are evaluating whether or not to introduce a non-native species into a new ecosystem. Through this collaborative process, the BCWG has begun to implement its strategy as well as address an important trade and environment issue. With increased trade comes an increase in the potential for economic growth as well as biological invasion, by working to minimize the potential adverse impacts from trade, the CEC Parties are working to maximize the gains from trade while minimizing the environmental costs.

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General information

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Summary: English:

The species list sheet for the Mexican information system on invasive species currently provides information related to Scientific names, family, group and common names, as well as habitat, status of invasion in Mexico, pathways of introduction and links to other specialised websites. Some of the higher risk species already have a direct link to the alert page. It is important to notice that these lists are constantly being updated, please refer to the main page (<http://www.conabio.gob.mx/invasoras/index.php/Portada>), under the section Novedades for information on updates.

Invasive species - fish is available from: http://www.conabio.gob.mx/invasoras/index.php/Especies_invasoras_-_Peces [Accessed 30 July 2008]

Spanish:

La lista de especies del Sistema de información sobre especies invasoras de México cuenta actualmente con información acerca de nombre científico, familia, grupo y nombre común, así como hábitat, estado de la invasión en México, rutas de introducción y ligas a otros sitios especializados. Algunas de las especies de mayor riesgo ya tienen una liga directa a la página de alertas. Es importante resaltar que estas listas se encuentran en constante proceso de actualización, por favor consulte la portada (<http://www.conabio.gob.mx/invasoras/index.php/Portada>), en la sección novedades, para conocer los cambios.

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This species profile is available from:

<http://www.fishbase.org/Summary/SpeciesSummary.cfm?ID=239&genusname=Oncorhynchus&speciesname=mykiss> [Accessed 21 March, 2005]

Freshwater Biodata Information System New Zealand (FBIS), 2005

Summary: The Freshwater Biodata Information System (FBIS) contains fish, algae, aquatic plant and invertebrate data and metadata gathered from New Zealand's freshwater streams, rivers and lakes. FBIS provides different ways to search for biodata: choose a predefined search from a list of common searches; use the map view to draw a box on a map and search for biodata; or create your own search for maximum search flexibility. FBIS is offered as a nationally available resource for the New Zealand public, institutions and companies who need access to a well-maintained long-term data repository.

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Summary: An online database that provides taxonomic information, common names, synonyms and geographical jurisdiction of a species. In addition links are provided to retrieve biological records and collection information from the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF) Data Portal and bioscience articles from BioOne journals.

Available from:

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Summary: Synthèse des introductions d'espèces de vertébrés en Nouvelle-Calédonie et évaluation de leurs impacts.