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Sea Grant Tip Sheet Series

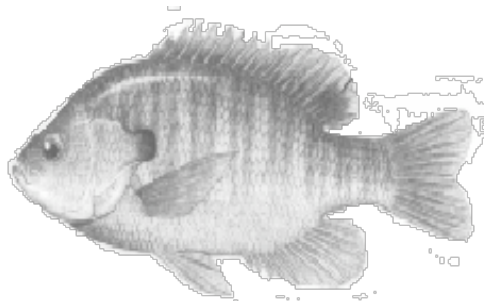
**Bluegill***Lepomis Macrochirus*

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Common name:	Bluegill
Scientific name:	<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>
Production potential:	Easy
Marketing potential:	Potential: Moderate Size: Three fish per pound Market: Sport, Food
Temperature requirements:	Growing: 55-80°F Spawning: 75-80°F Lethal: NA
Feed requirements:	Protein: 40 percent for fry, and 32 percent from fingerlings to adult Fat: 8-10 percent.
Spawning requirements:	Spring spawners, nest builders, 50,000 eggs/lb. body weight.
Most common production systems:	
	Ponds and cages

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