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Re: Chain Pickerel on the fly

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osprey wrote:

Are they native to Pa? Do they naturally reproduce here if not?

Yes, chain pickerel are native to PA and the northeast. Generally, their numbers have traditionally been higher in regions east of the Appalachian range. They're particularly dense in the Coastal Plain from MD up to ME and thrive in ponds and brackish water. There is a theory that they evolved in these areas so as to be out of competition with larger esocids like pike and muskies (muskies are native to the Mississippi drainage and traditionally were not found in central and eastern PA).