

# PUGET SOUND VITAL SIGNS

## INDICATOR LOCALLY HARVESTABLE FOODS

The locally harvestable foods indicator is intended to track the frequency of collecting different Puget Sound wild foods for traditional, subsistence, and recreational use. These include: fish, shellfish, mushrooms/plants, and animal meat.

Indicator  
Progress

Target  
Status



Target

No targets are currently set for this indicator.

Data Source

Oregon State University Human Dimensions Lab

Vital Signs Survey Summary Report 2020

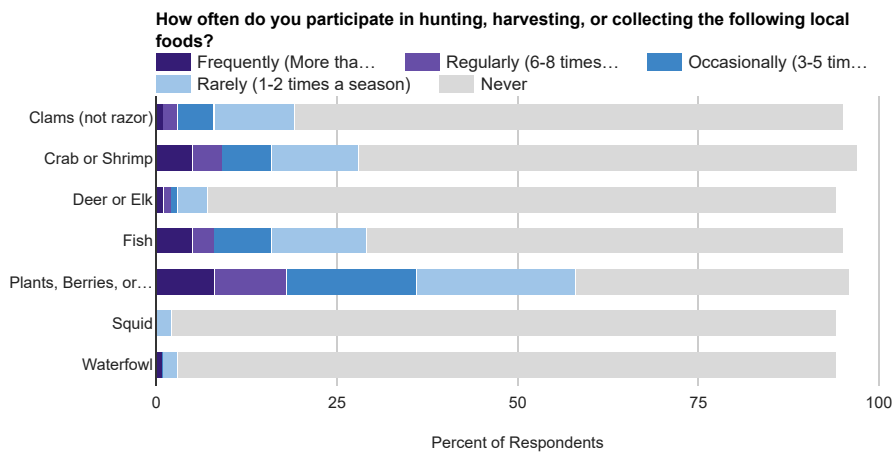
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### Locally harvestable foods By: Response



Respondents were asked to rate their engagement in hunting, fishing, or foraging on a five-point scale from 'Never' (1) to 'Frequently - more than 10 times a season' (5) for the following resources in Puget Sound.

## Key Vital Sign Indicator Results

- Plants, berries and mushrooms are the most likely local foods to be harvested, with about 58 percent of the population collecting at least one time per season.
- Approximately 14 percent of people harvest deer, elk or waterfowl.
- Approximately 35 percent of people harvest fish or shellfish.
- Local foods harvest for all foods was higher for the purposive Latinx sample than both the Latinx and non-Latinx general survey respondents.
- There was slightly higher collection of local foods in San Juan and Jefferson counties.

## Contributing Partners



