



Delta smelt, *Hypomesus transpacificus*, live only 1 year. This native fish occurs nowhere else in the world (it is "endemic"). Once abundant in the Delta, the Delta smelt population is less than 10% of the numbers that occurred in the 1970s.

Note that the vertical axis (abundance) is shown using logarithmic scale to allow a display of a wide population range (from 20 to 2000). Also note that fish sampling was not performed in 1974, 1976, and 1979.

