

Arenaeus cribrarius (Lamarck, 1818)
Speckled Swimming Crab

Infraorder Brachyura
Family Portunidae

References used: Williams (1984)

Diagnostic characters: Carapace more than twice as wide as long, six frontal teeth including inner orbitals; anterolateral teeth strong, heavily ciliate beneath; chelipeds of moderate size, merus with 3 spines on anterior border; light brown or light maroon in color covered with small, white to yellow spots.

Habitat: Surf zone of ocean beaches to 68 m.

Range: Massachusetts through the Gulf of Mexico to Brazil.

