SOUTH DAKOTA STATEWIDE FISHERIES SURVEY
New Underwood Dam, Pennington County
MCE-Lake-8-000
2021

Lake Information

Name: New Underwood Dam

County: Pennington

Surface Area: 18 Acres

Surveys and Investigations

Survey methods used by gear type, date, and effort.

Gear	Date	Effort
boat shocker (day)	Oct 04, 2021	650 seconds
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Jun 03, 2021	4 net-nights

Common Fish Species Present

Yellow Perch

Largemouth Bass

Channel Catfish

Bluegill

Black Crappie

Black Bullhead

Golden Shiner

Terminology

Catch per unit effort (**CPUE**) refers to the relative abundance of a species. It is defined as the number of fish captured per unit of effort (i.e., number of fish captured per net-night or number of fish captured per hour electrofishing). In this report CPUE is typically given for only stock-length fish (see length categories table for stock lengths).

A statewide effort to help make netting efforts comparable to all waters sampled across the state, occurred in 2017, with a switch to American Fisheries Society gill nets. Past gill netting efforts were completed with different style/types of nets and are not comparable side by side.

- **AFS std gill net** – 80 ft experimental gill net containing eight panels (10 ft each) of varying monofilament meshes of 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25 and 2.50 inches.
- **std experimental gill net for non-Missouri River waters** - 150 ft experimental gill net containing six panels (25 ft each) of varying monofilament meshes of 0.5, 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00 inches.
- s**td experimental gill net for Missouri River reservoirs** – 300 ft experimental gill net containing six panels (50 ft each) of varying multifilament meshes of 0.5, 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00 inches.

$$CPUE = \frac{number\ of\ fish}{effort}$$

Population size structure is quantified using the indices proportional size distribution of quality-length fish (**PSD**) and proportional size distribution of preferred-length fish (**PSD-P**). These indices indicate the proportion of stock-length fish that are equal to or greater than a given length. Minimum lengths for stock, quality and preferred length fish are given in the length categories table.

$$PSD = \left(\frac{number\ of\ fish \geq quality\ length}{number\ of\ fish \geq stock\ length}\right) \text{x } 100$$

$$PSD - P = \left(\frac{number\ of\ fish \geq preferred\ length}{number\ of\ fish \geq stock\ length}\right) \text{x } 100$$

Relative weight (**Wr**) is used to quantify fish plumpness. Relative weight is the ratio of what a fish weighs (W) compared to a length-specific standard weight (Ws) multiplied by 100. Relative weight values of 95-105 are commonly cited as optimum values, but values in the 80s are common during summer sampling in South Dakota.

$$Wr = \left(\frac{W}{Ws}\right) \text{x } 100$$

Confidence intervals (**CI**) are provided for many of the estimates calculated in this report. The confidence interval provides a range in which the true mean is expected to fall. For example, with an 80% CI we are 80% confident that the interval contains the true value.

Length categories include stock (**S**), quality (**Q**), preferred (**P**), memorable (**M**) and trophy (**T**). Length categories for most species have been defined based on a percentage of the world record length for that species. Some species mentioned in this report do not have defined length categories. Length categories for species used in this report are provided in the following table. Measurements are the minimum total length for each category and are reported in inches (in) and centimeters (cm).

	Stock		Quality		Preferred		Memorable		Trophy	
Species Name	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)	(cm)
Black Bullhead	6	15	9	23	12	30	15	38	18	46
Black Crappie	5	13	8	20	10	25	12	30	15	38
Bluegill	3	8	6	15	8	20	10	25	12	30
Brown Trout	8	20	12	30	16	40	20	50	18	46
Channel Catfish	11	28	16	41	24	61	28	71	36	91
Freshwater Drum	8	20	12	30	15	38	20	51	25	63
Lake Trout	12	30	20	50	26	65	31	80	39	100
Largemouth Bass	8	20	12	30	15	38	20	51	25	63
Muskellunge	20	51	30	76	38	97	42	107	50	127
Northern Pike	14	35	21	53	28	71	34	86	44	112
Pumpkinseed	3	8	6	15	8	20	10	25	12	30
Rainbow Trout	10	25	16	40	20	50	26	65	31	80
Rudd	6	15	10	25	12	30	15	38	19	48
Sauger	8	20	12	30	15	38	20	51	25	63
Smallmouth Bass	7	18	11	28	14	35	17	43	20	51
Walleye	10	25	15	38	20	51	25	63	30	76
White Bass	6	15	9	23	12	30	15	38	18	46
White Crappie	5	13	8	20	10	25	12	30	15	38
Yellow Bullhead	4	10	7	18	9	23	11	28	14	36
Yellow Perch	5	13	8	20	10	25	12	30	15	38

Catch Summary of Stock Length Fish

Catch per unit effort (CPUE), proportional size distribution (PSD), proportional size distribution of preferred length fish (PSD-P), and relative weight (Wr) for species sampled in survey with 80% confidence interval (CI-80).

*** Methods/Species that ignore stock length**

			Abundance		Stock Density Indices				Condition	
Gear	Species	Sample Size (n)	CPUE	CI-80	PSD	CI-80	PSD-P	CI-80	Wr	CI-80
boat shocker (day)	Largemouth Bass	29	162.0	55.4	41	14	34	14	94	1
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead	21	5.3	4.1	90		10		107	2
	Black Crappie	202	50.5	30.9	6	2	1		94	1
	Bluegill	647	161.8	94.2	30	2	2	1	104	1
	Golden Shiner	17	0.0	0.0						
	Largemouth Bass	2	0.3	0.4	0		0		85	
	Yellow Perch	38	9.5	8.3	34	12	3		83	2

10-Year Catch Per Unit Effort by Gear and Species

Catch per unit effort (CPUE) and average (Avg) of species across 10 years using different gear types.

*** Methods/Species that ignore stock length**

		CPUE										
Gear	Species	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Avg
AFS std frame net	Black Bullhead						0.5					0.50
	Black Crappie						13.8					13.80
	Bluegill						62.8					62.80
	Golden Shiner						0.0					0.00
	Green Sunfish						0.3					0.30
	Yellow Perch						1.3					1.30
boat shocker (day)	Largemouth Bass										162.0	162.00
boat shocker (night)	Largemouth Bass			205.1				102.0	144.0			150.37
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead		23.3		2.3			1.7	2.7		5.3	7.06
	Black Crappie		3.3		1.3			1.7	15.3		50.5	14.42
	Bluegill		149.3		67.0			24.3	21.7		161.8	84.82
	Channel Catfish		0.0		0.5			0.0	0.0		0.0	0.10
	Golden Shiner		0.0		0.0			0.0	0.0		0.0	0.00
	Green Sunfish		0.0		0.8			0.0	17.7		0.0	3.70
	Largemouth Bass		0.0		0.5			0.0	0.0		0.3	0.16
	White Sucker		0.3		0.3			0.0	0.0		0.0	0.12
	Yellow Perch		14.0		55.3			4.0	3.0		9.5	17.16

10-Year Size Structure and Condition Statistics by Gear and Species

Species proportional size distribution (PSD), proportional size distribution of preferred length fish (PSD-P), and relative weight (Wr) collected by different gear types across 10 years.

			Year									
Gear	Species	Index	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
AFS std frame net	Black Bullhead	PSD						100				
		PSD-P						100				
		Wr						89				
	Black Crappie	PSD						44				
		PSD-P						7				
		Wr						96				
	Bluegill	PSD						59				
		PSD-P						8				
		Wr						99				
	Yellow Perch	PSD						60				
		PSD-P						20				
		Wr						82				
boat shocker (day)	Largemouth Bass	PSD										41
		PSD-P										34
		Wr										94
boat shocker (night)	Largemouth Bass	PSD			16				41	36		
		PSD-P			11				12	11		
		Wr			95				96	100		
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead	PSD		99		100			100	100		90
		PSD-P		14		89			60	63		10
		Wr		112		93			99	102		107
	Black Crappie	PSD		70		100			40	83		6
		PSD-P		0		0			0	9		1
		Wr		98		99			101	97		94
	Bluegill	PSD		96		91			86	97		30
		PSD-P		6		1			3	3		2
		Wr		115		106			106	108		104
	Channel Catfish	PSD				50						
		PSD-P				50						
		Wr				83						
	Largemouth Bass	PSD				100						0
		PSD-P				100						0

			Year									
Gear	Species	Index	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Largemouth Bass	Wr				103						85
	Yellow Perch	PSD		55		41			75	89		34
		PSD-P		0		0			0	0		3
		Wr		90		95			100	97		83

Length at Capture

Mean length at capture by age across years sampled, sample size (N).

Species: Bluegill

		Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age									
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2017	248	94 (1)	132 (94)	158 (51)	188 (72)	192 (22)	202 (8)				

Species: Largemouth Bass

		Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age									
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2014	296		205 (15)	195 (49)	222 (120)	269 (73)	323 (35)	441 (4)			

Fish Condition

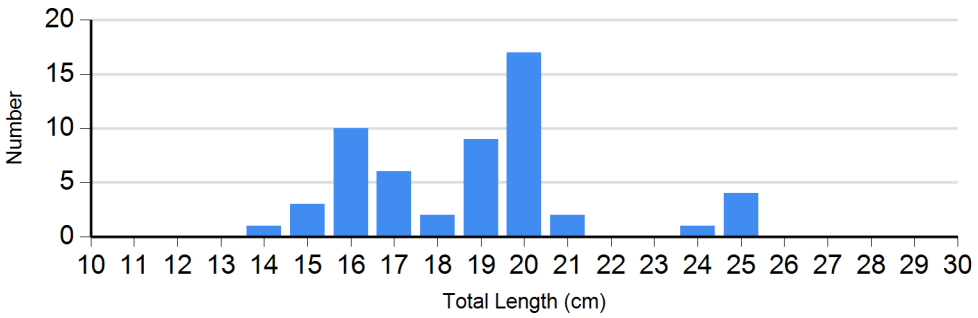
Mean relative weight (Wr) by sample size (N), length category stock to quality (S-Q), quality to preferred (Q-P), preferred to memorable (P-M), and memorable (M) for species collected across survey years with standard error (SE).

		Length Groups							
		S-Q		Q-P		P-M		M	
Species	Year	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)
Black Crappie Frame Net	2017	31	98 (0.9)	20	95 (1.3)	4	88 (0.9)	0	
	2018	3	101 (1.6)	2	101 (2.7)	0		0	
	2019	8	103 (1.0)	34	96 (0.8)	4	90 (1.4)	0	
	2021	190	97 (0.9)	10	76 (1.6)	2	83	0	
Bluegill Frame Net	2017	102	105 (1.1)	130	93 (0.8)	19	83 (1.5)	0	
	2018	10	112 (3.8)	61	106 (1.2)	2	73 (0.0)	0	
	2019	2	107	61	108 (0.9)	2	95	0	
	2021	452	109 (1.2)	185	94 (1.2)	10	92	0	
Largemouth Bass Electro Fishing	2018	20	97 (1.3)	10	96 (1.4)	4	91 (1.9)	0	
	2019	23	101 (1.2)	9	98 (2.1)	4	95 (2.9)	0	
	2021	17	91 (0.7)	2	97 (5.9)	10	99 (1.6)	0	

Length Frequency Distribution

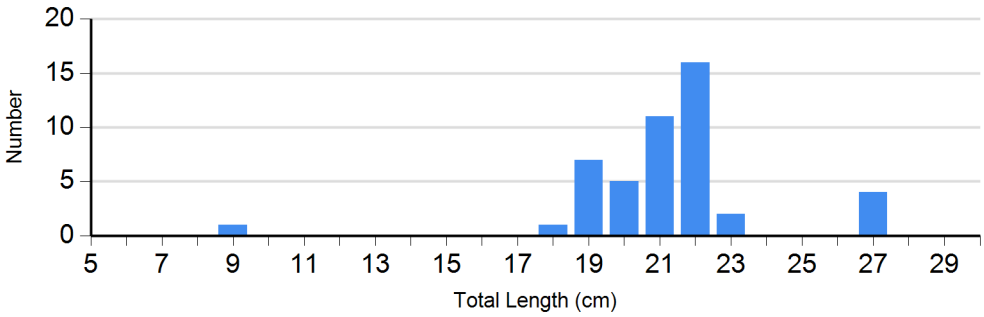
Length frequency histogram of species sampled by year.

Species: Black Crappie
Gear: AFS std frame net



2017

Species: Black Crappie
Gear: frame net (std 3/4 in)



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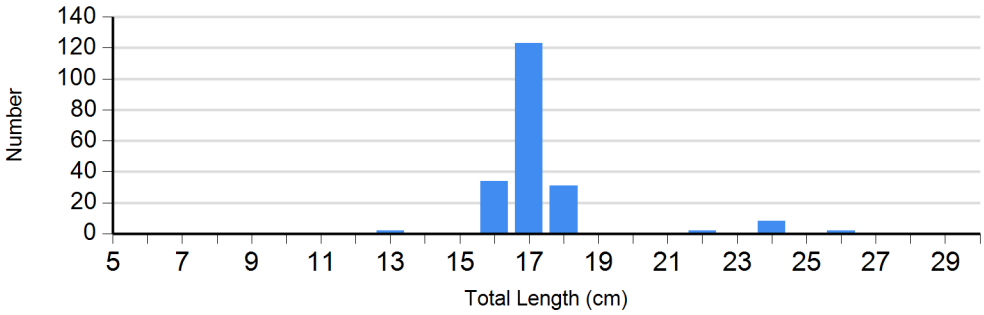

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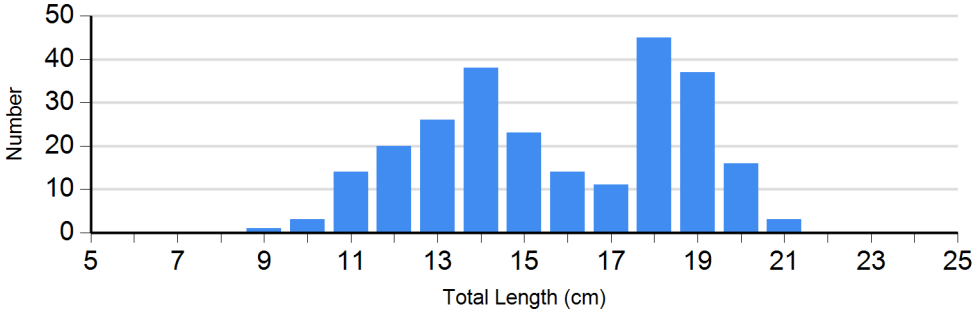
Species: Bluegill
Gear: AFS std frame net



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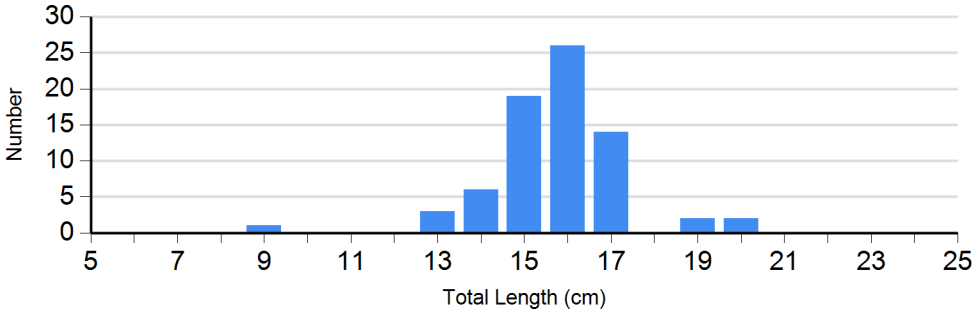

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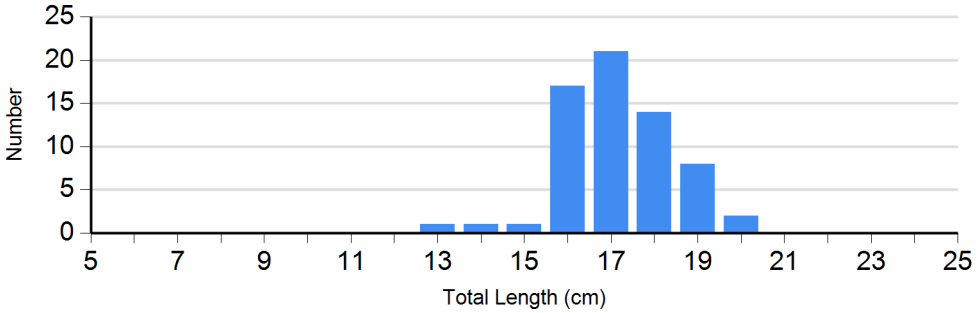

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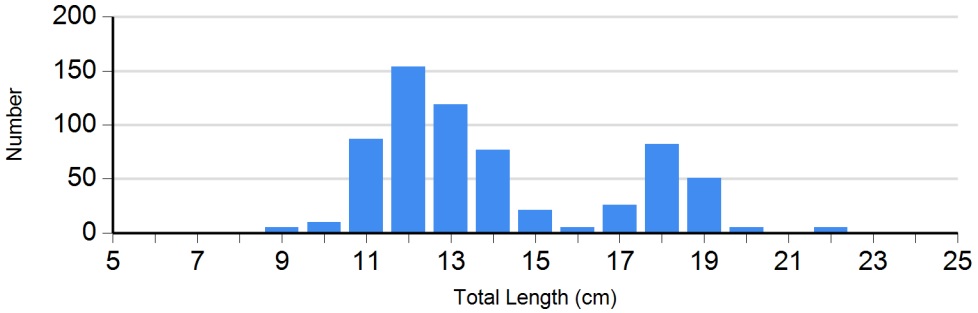

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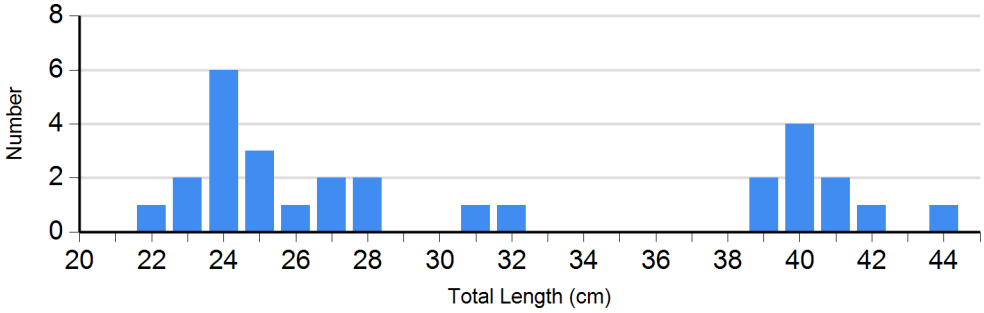
Species: Largemouth Bass
Gear: boat shocker (day)



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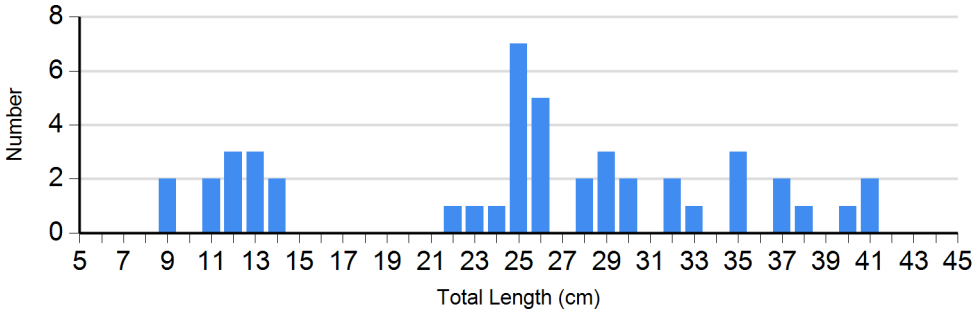
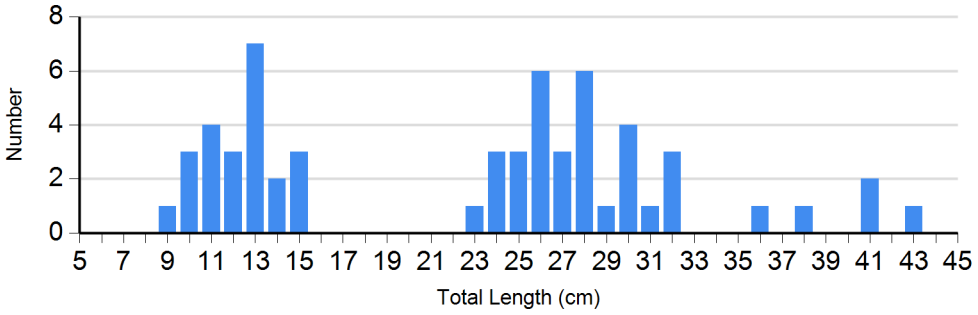
Species: Largemouth Bass
Gear: boat shocker (night)

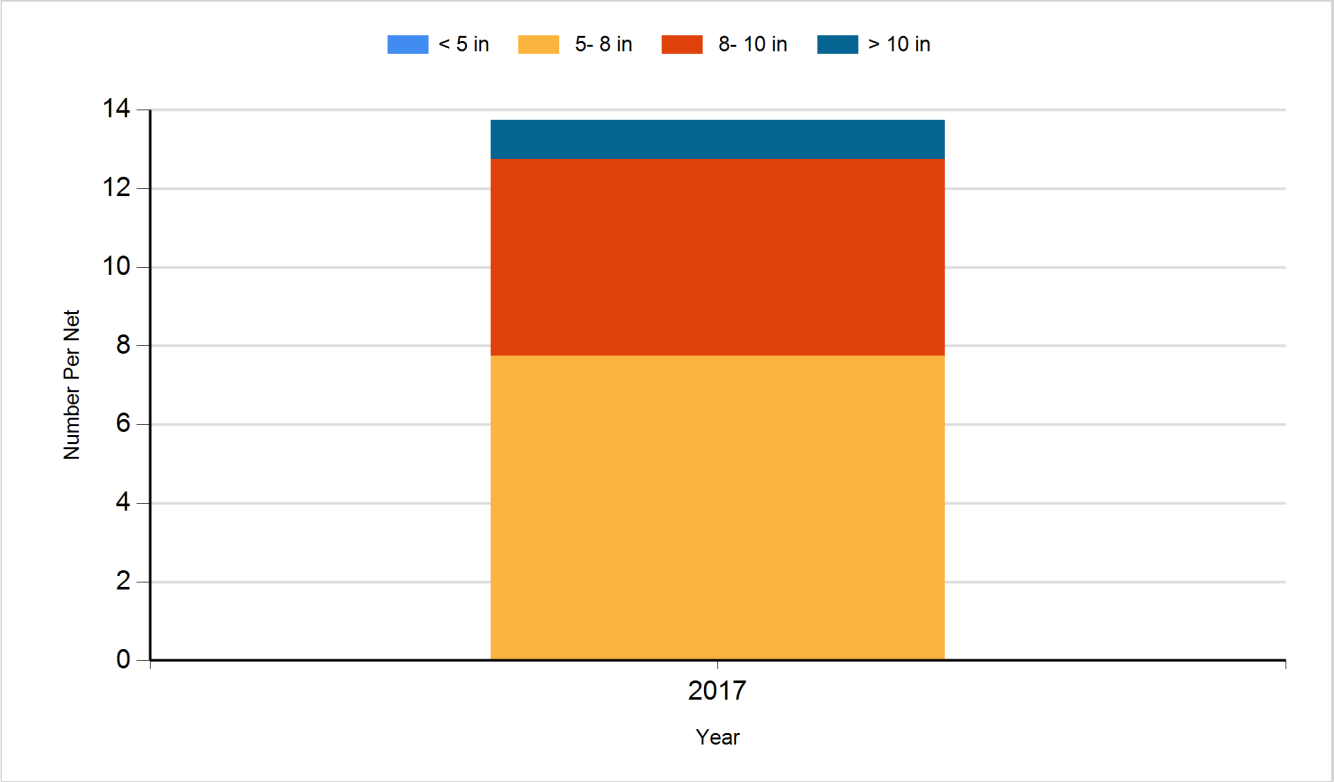




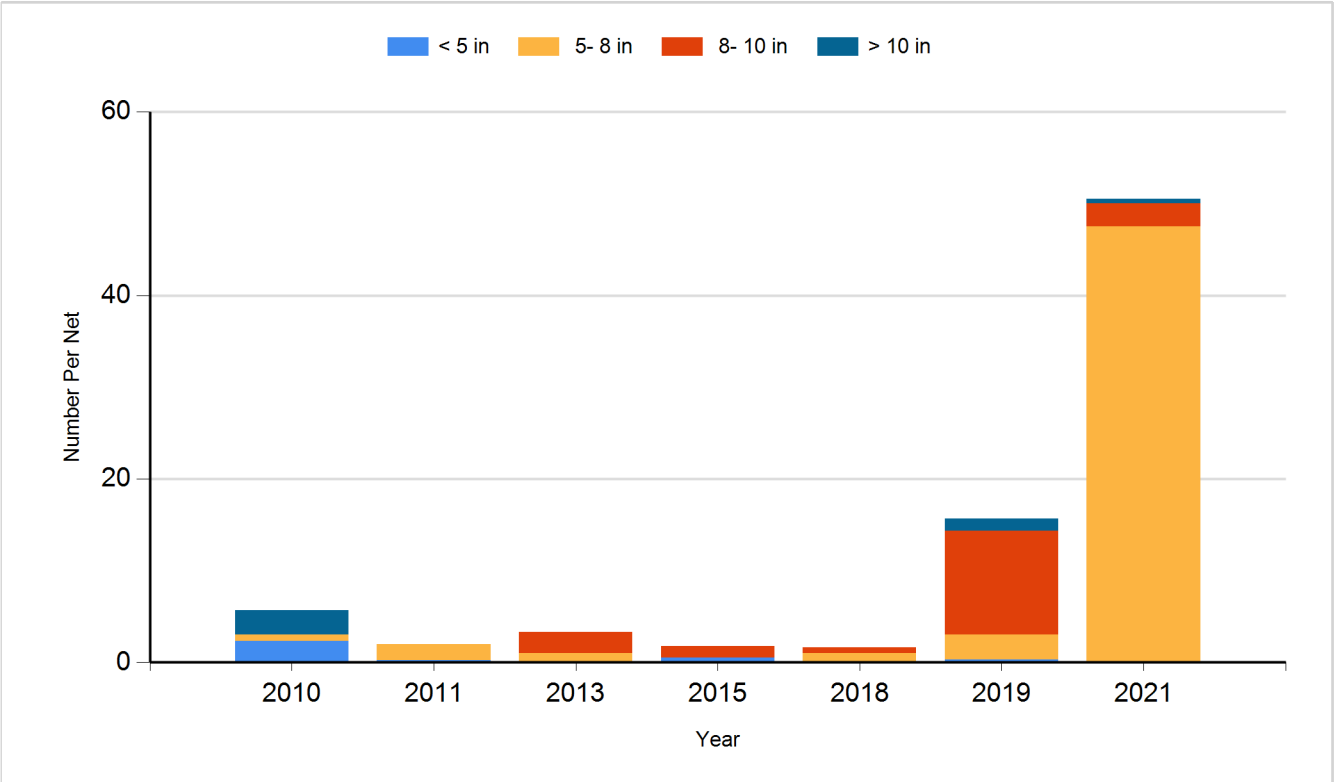
Historic Fish Sizes and Relative Abundance

Size distribution per net by color for species sampled by year.

Species: Black Crappie
Gear: AFS std frame net



Species: Black Crappie
Gear: frame net (std 3/4 in)



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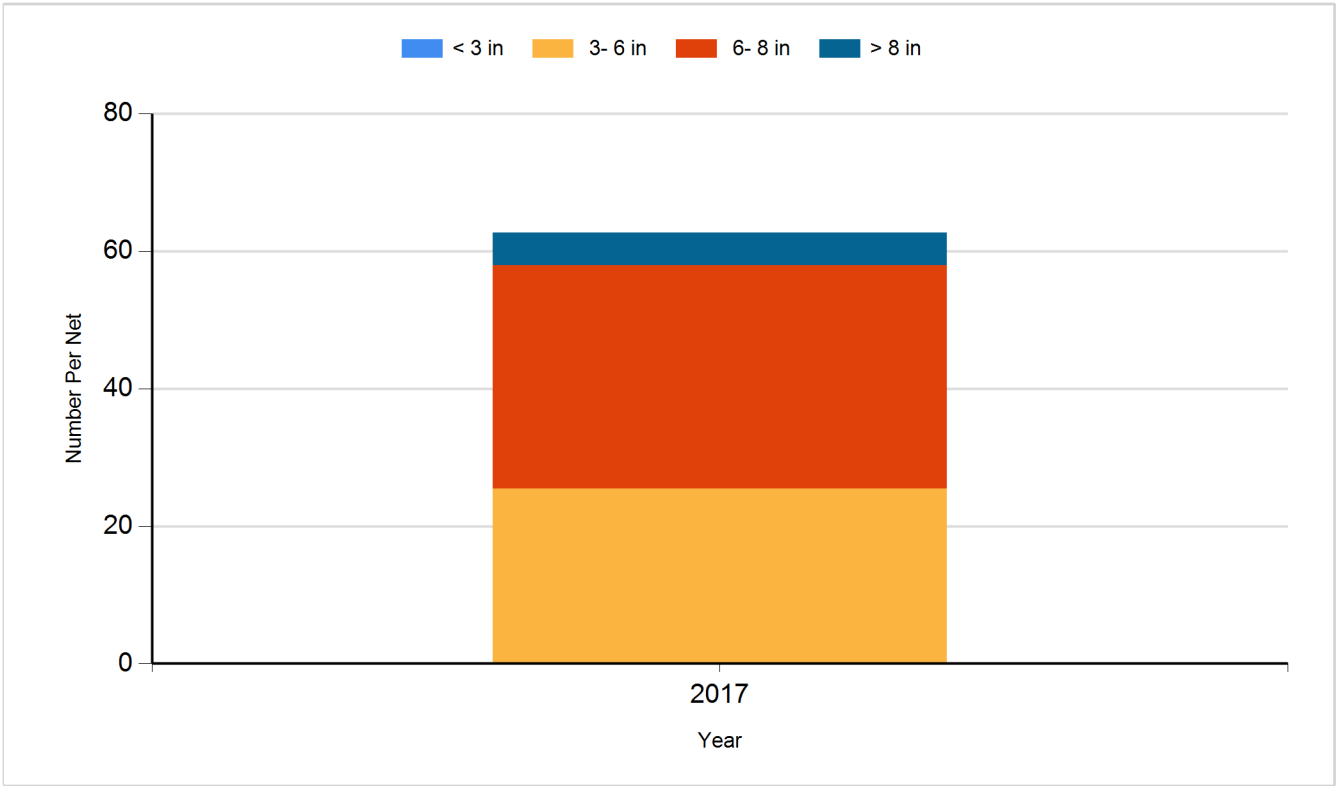
Gear: AFS std frame net



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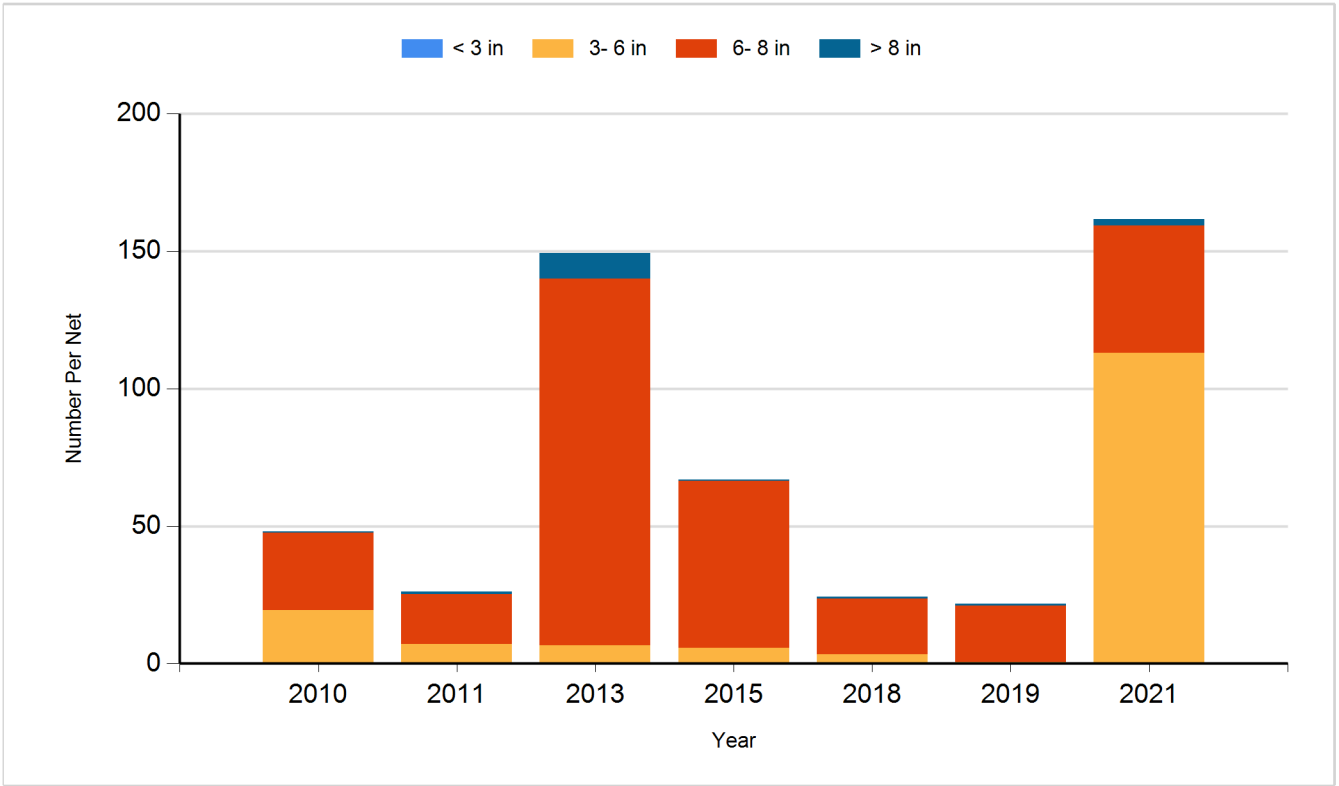
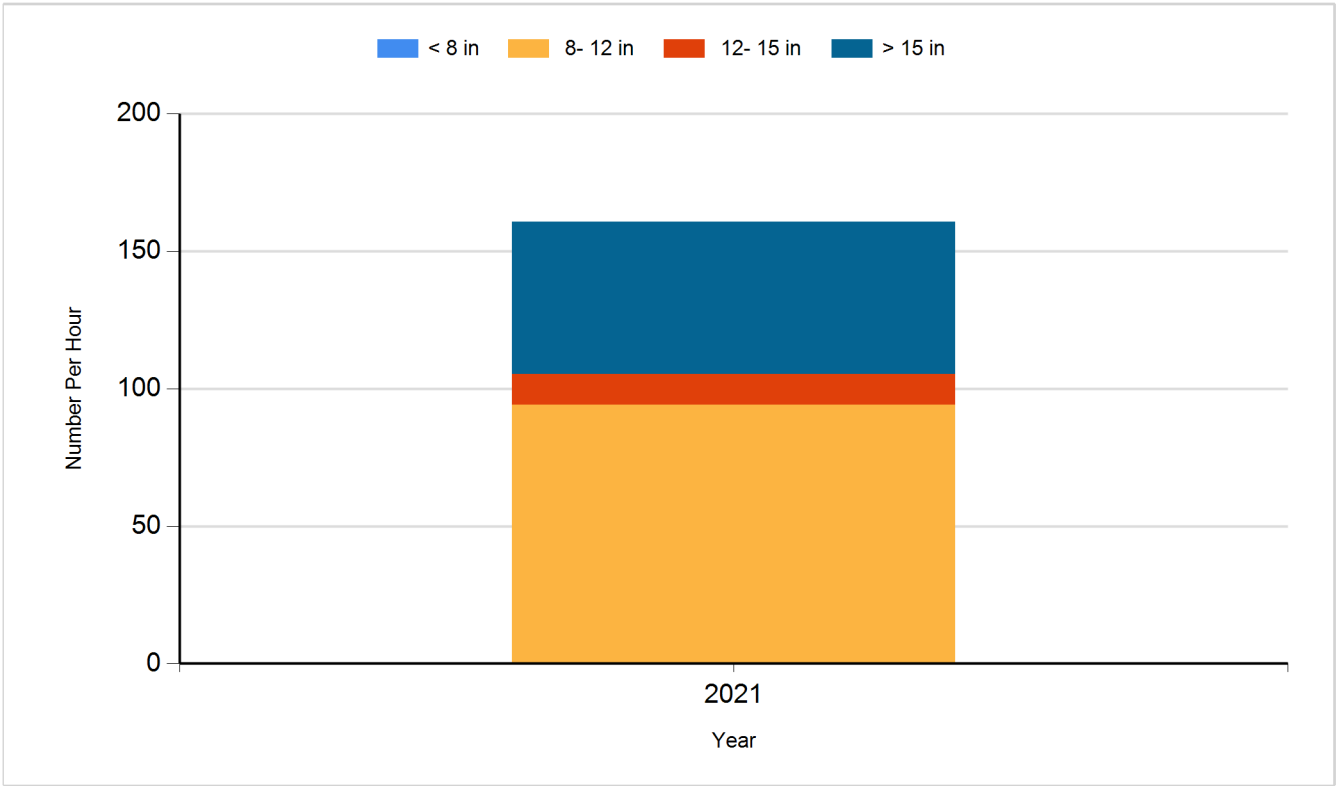


Species: Largemouth Bass
Gear: boat shocker (day)



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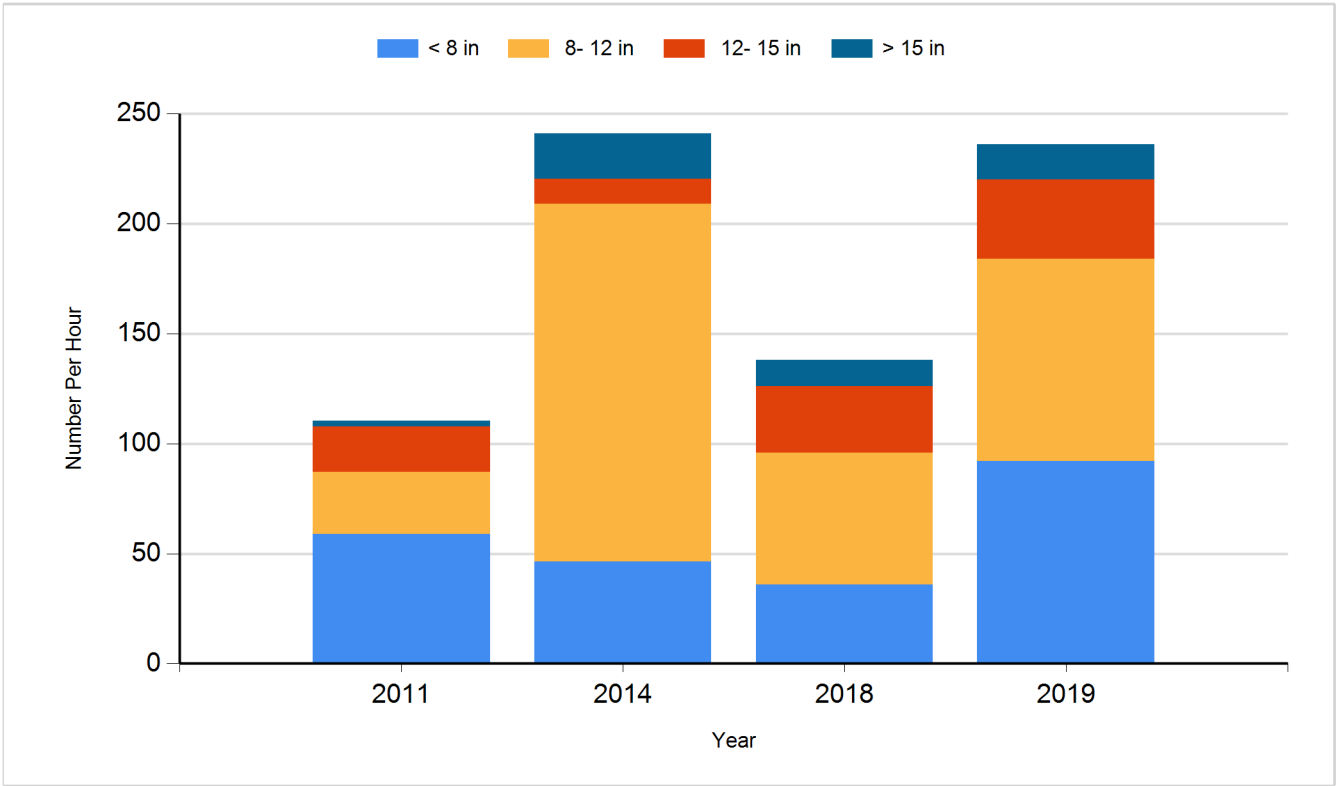

Fish Stocking

Number of fish stocked by year, species, and size.

Year	Species	Size	Number
2010	Channel Catfish	Adult	74
2011	Channel Catfish	Adult	200
2012	Largemouth Bass	Fingerling	1,500
2014	Channel Catfish	Adult	143
2014	Yellow Perch	Adult	325
2015	Channel Catfish	Adult	100
2016	Channel Catfish	Adult	200
2017	Channel Catfish	Adult	137
2018	Channel Catfish	Adult	219
2018	Largemouth Bass	Juvenile	272
2019	Channel Catfish	Adult	200
2020	Yellow Perch	Adult	600
2021	Channel Catfish	Adult	300