

SOUTH DAKOTA STATEWIDE FISHERIES SURVEY
Lemmon East, Perkins County
GRA-Lake-392-000
2024

Lake Information

Name: Lemmon East
County: Perkins
Surface Area: 162 Acres

Surveys and Investigations

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

Gear	Date	Effort
AFS std gill net	Jul 31, 2024	2 net-nights
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Jul 31, 2024	4 net-nights

Common Fish Species Present

Yellow Perch

Northern Pike

Largemouth Bass

Black Bullhead

Bluegill

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.
- **std 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.

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

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.

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

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

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.

$$Wr = \left(\frac{W}{W_s} \right) \times 100$$

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).

Species Name	Stock		Quality		Preferred		Memorable		Trophy	
	(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**

Gear	Species	Sample Size (n)	Abundance		Stock Density Indices			Condition		
			CPUE	CI-80	PSD	CI-80	PSD-P	CI-80	Wr	CI-80
AFS std gill net	Black Bullhead	318	155.5	7.7	41	4	9	2	94	1
	Yellow Perch	1	0.5	1.5	100		0		107	
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead	473	76.8	50.9	67	4	9	2		
	Bluegill	8	2.0	1.9	38		0		145	10
	Northern Pike	3	0.8	0.8	100		0		84	5
	Yellow Perch	2	0.5	0.8	50		0		109	9

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

Gear	Species	CPUE										Avg
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
AFS std frame net	Black Bullhead			0.8								0.80
	Bluegill			0.5								0.50
	Largemouth Bass			0.2								0.20
	Northern Pike			0.4								0.40
	White Sucker			0.2								0.20
	Yellow Perch			0.2								0.20
AFS std gill net	Black Bullhead			41.8	14.0	5.5	4.0	54.0		52.0	155.5	46.69
	Largemouth Bass			0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.07
	Northern Pike			3.0	1.5	2.5	3.0	1.5		2.5	0.0	2.00
	White Sucker			0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.04
	Yellow Perch			0.8	0.5	1.5	0.0	0.5		0.0	0.5	0.54
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead	40.0			5.0	13.3	151.2	17.3	52.8	114.0	76.8	58.80
	Black Crappie	0.0			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.06
	Bluegill	0.0			0.0	0.0	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.0	2.0	0.40
	Golden Shiner	0.0			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00
	Largemouth Bass	0.0			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.03
	Northern Pike	0.3			0.7	0.6	2.2	1.3	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.94
	Smallmouth Bass	0.0			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00
	Walleye	0.0			0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01
	White Sucker	0.5			0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.09
	Yellow Perch	0.6			0.3	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.5	0.38
std exp gill net	Black Bullhead	24.0										24.00
	Golden Shiner	0.0										0.00
	Largemouth Bass	3.5										3.50
	Northern Pike	11.0										11.00
	White Sucker	1.0										1.00
	Yellow Perch	21.5										21.50

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.

Gear	Species	Index	Year											
			2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
AFS std frame net	Black Bullhead	PSD			100									
		PSD-P			100									
		Wr			97									
	Bluegill	PSD			100									
		PSD-P			40									
		Wr			218									
	Largemouth Bass	PSD			100									
		PSD-P			50									
		Wr			94									
	Northern Pike	PSD			25									
		PSD-P			25									
		Wr			87									
	Yellow Perch	PSD			100									
		PSD-P			100									
		Wr			99									
AFS std gill net	Black Bullhead	PSD			100	100	100	88	89		46	41		
		PSD-P			89	96	100	50	13		35	9		
		Wr			102	97	110	101	102		103	94		
	Largemouth Bass	PSD			50									
		PSD-P			0									
		Wr			113									
	Northern Pike	PSD			92	100	100	83	100		100			
		PSD-P			58	33	40	0	33		80			
		Wr			91	91	84	102	92		92			
	Yellow Perch	PSD			100	100	100		100				100	
		PSD-P			67	100	100		100				0	
		Wr			106	83	99		113				107	
	frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead	PSD	97			100	100	11	96	63	63	67	
			PSD-P	3			100	100	1	14	7	9	9	
			Wr	91			89	90	93		96			
Bluegill		PSD							100	60	100		38	
		PSD-P							100	60	0		0	

Gear	Species	Index	Year										
			2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Bluegill	Wr						112	134	135		145	
		Largemouth Bass	PSD							100			
			PSD-P								0		
	Northern Pike	Wr								106			
		PSD	0			50	100	92	50	67	60	100	
		PSD-P	0			0	80	0	0	67	20	0	
		Wr				90	89	93	83	88	90	84	
		Yellow Perch	PSD	100			50	33	100			0	50
			PSD-P	60			50	0	100			0	0
	std exp gill net	Black Bullhead	Wr	113			99	89	88			108	109
			PSD	94									
			PSD-P	4									
Largemouth Bass		Wr	97										
		PSD	0										
		PSD-P	0										
Northern Pike		Wr	109										
		PSD	36										
		PSD-P	36										
Yellow Perch		Wr	100										
		PSD	84										
		PSD-P	60										
		Wr	112										

Fish Condition

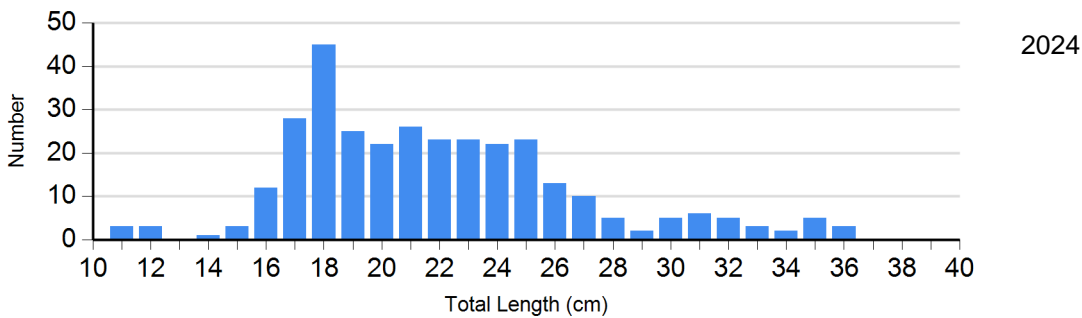
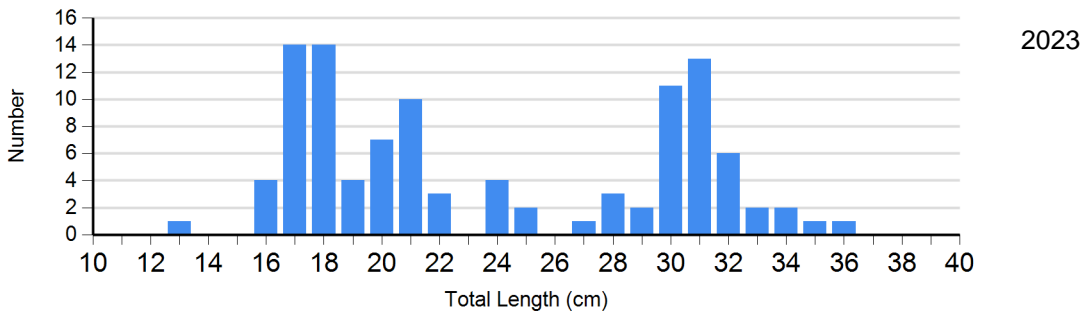
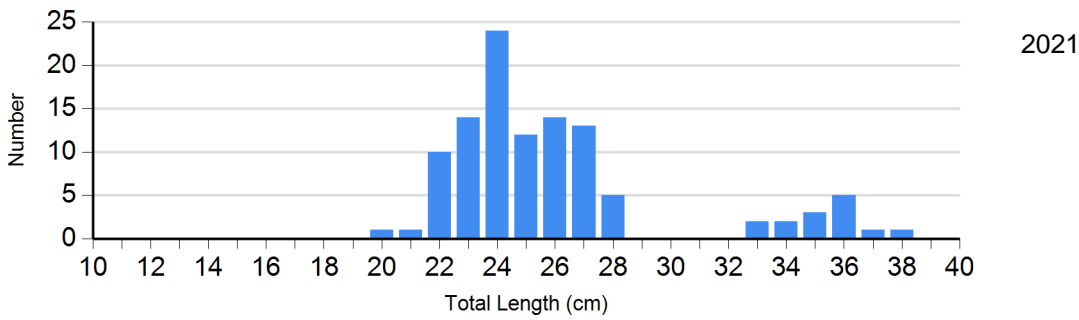
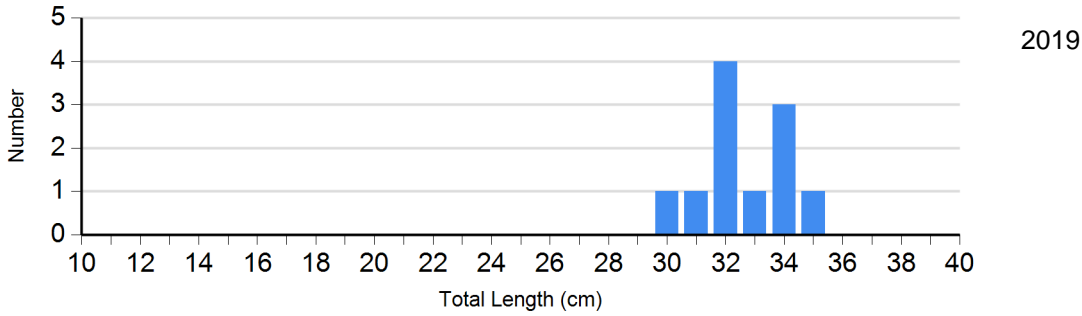
Mean relative weight (Wr) by sample size (N), length category stock to quality (S-Q), quality to preferred (Q-P), preferred to memorable (P-M), and memorable (M) for species collected across survey years with standard error (SE).

Species	Year	Length Groups							
		S-Q		Q-P		P-M		M	
		N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)
Black Bullhead Gill Net	2020	1	92	3	109 (3.1)	4	97 (6.4)	0	
	2021	12	100 (1.9)	82	103 (1.0)	13	98 (2.1)	1	
	2023	56	101 (1.4)	12	110 (1.5)	36	103 (1.6)	0	
	2024	184	94 (0.7)	98	93 (1.0)	29	97 (1.0)	0	
Bluegill Frame Net	2020	0		0		1	112	0	
	2021	2	131 (9.3)	0		3	137 (8.1)	0	
	2022	0		1	135	0		0	
	2024	5	153 (9.9)	3	132 (9.2)	0		0	
Northern Pike Gill Net	2020	1	100	5	102 (2.0)	0		0	
	2021	0		2	94 (1.9)	1	87	0	
	2023	0		1	96	2	87 (10.9)	2	97
Yellow Perch Gill Net	2021	0		0		1	113	0	
	2024	0		1	107	0		0	

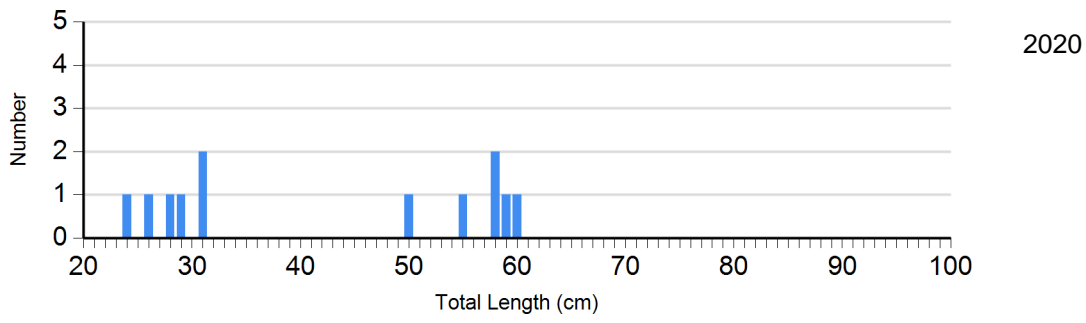
Length Frequency Distribution

Length frequency histogram of species sampled by year.

Species: Black Bullhead
Gear: AFS std gill net



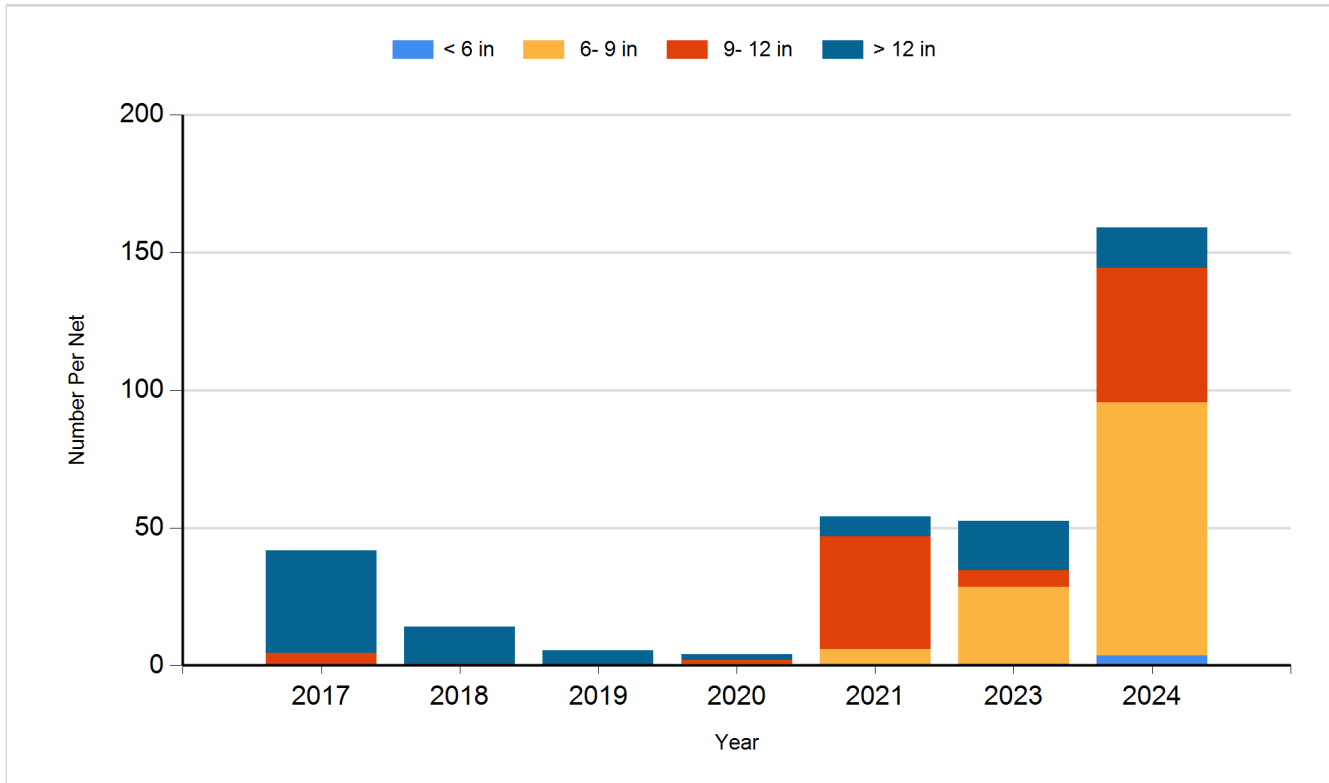
Species: Northern Pike
Gear: AFS std gill net



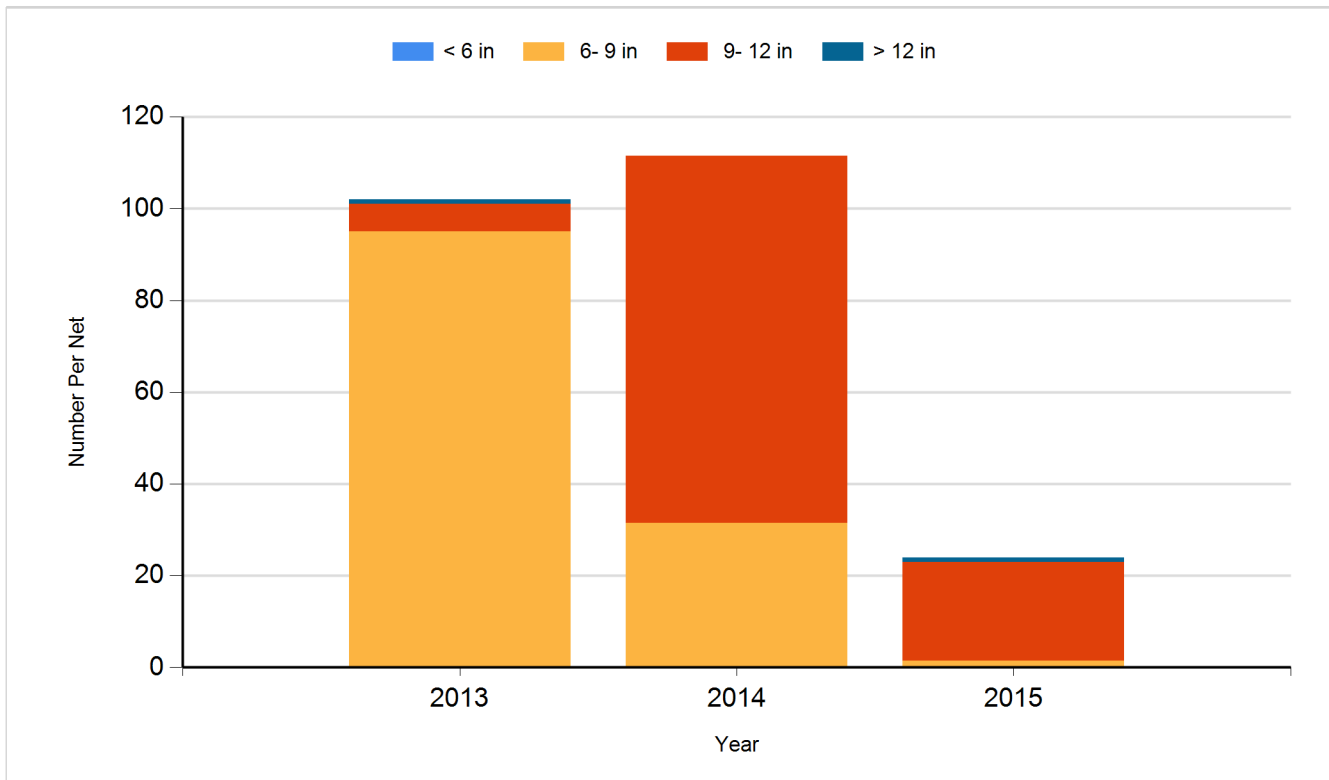
Historic Fish Sizes and Relative Abundance

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

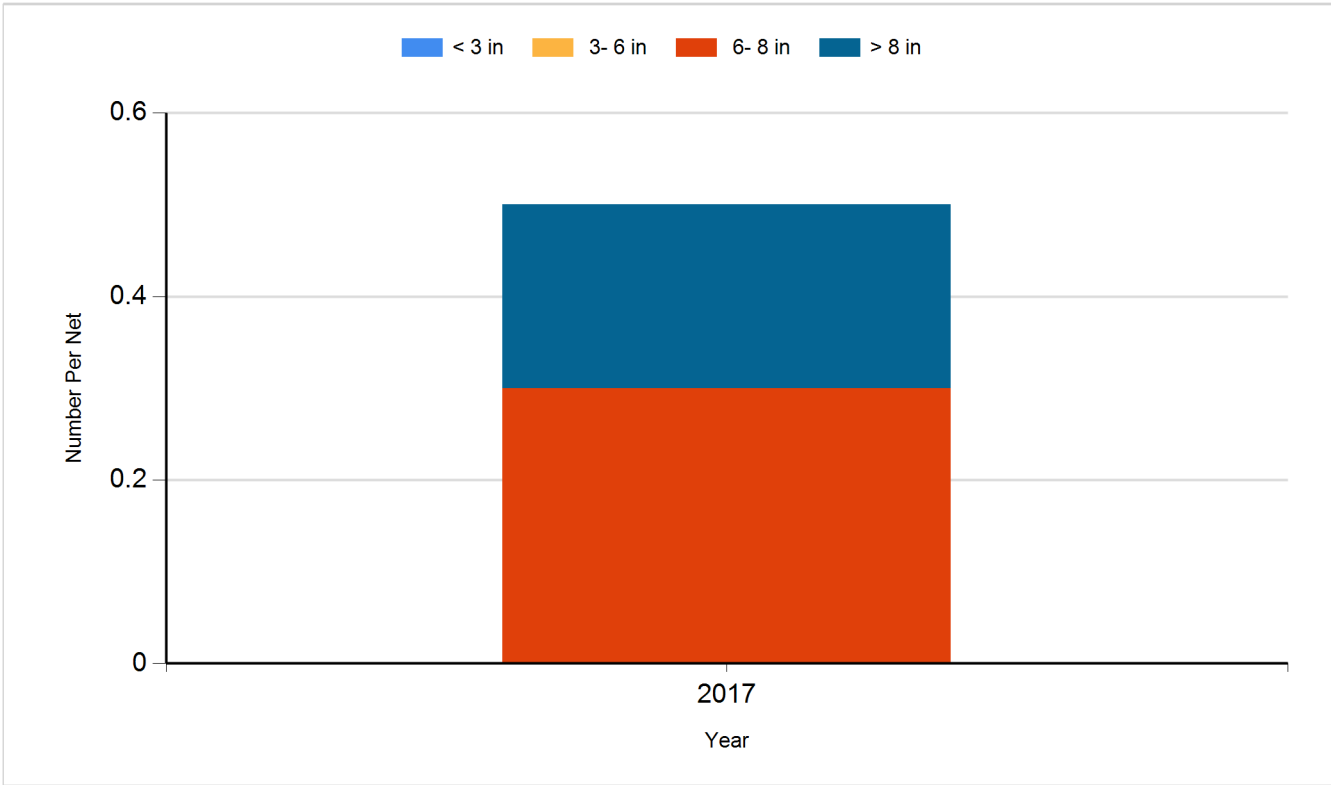
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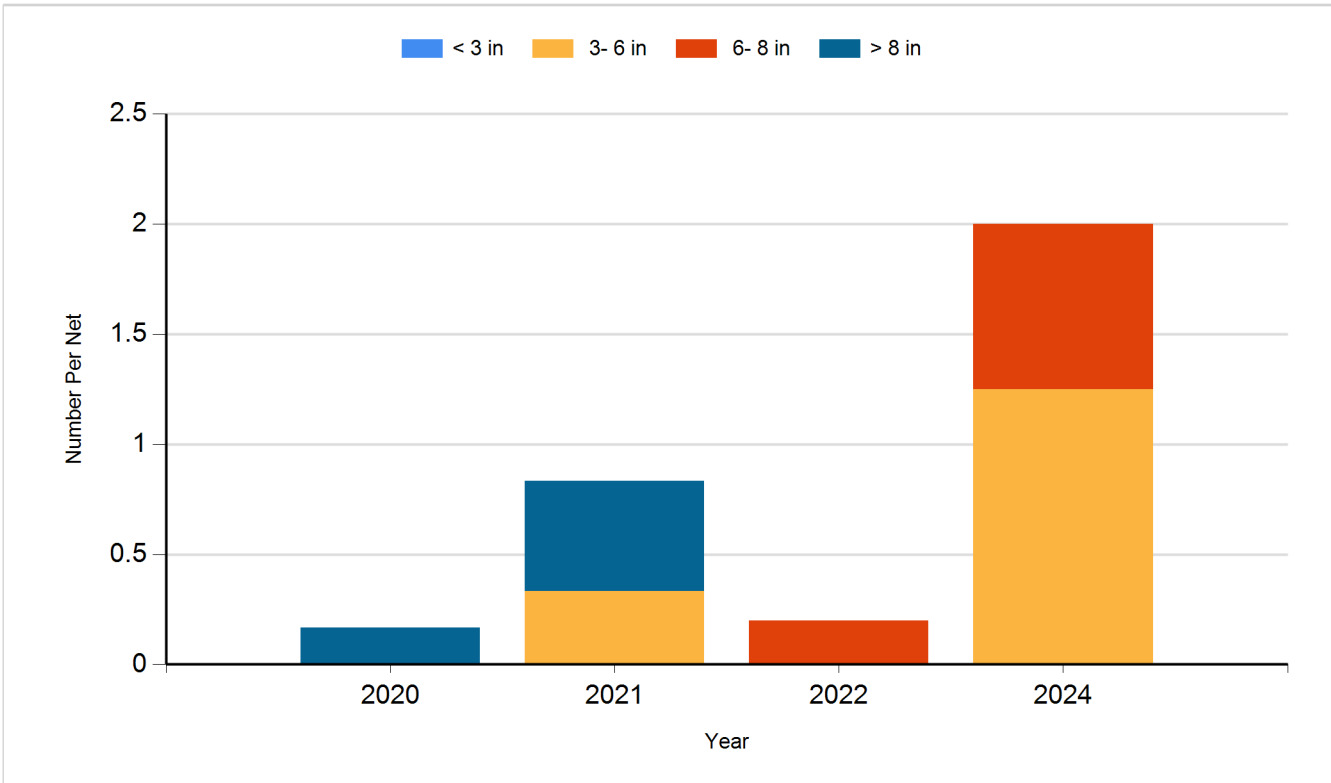
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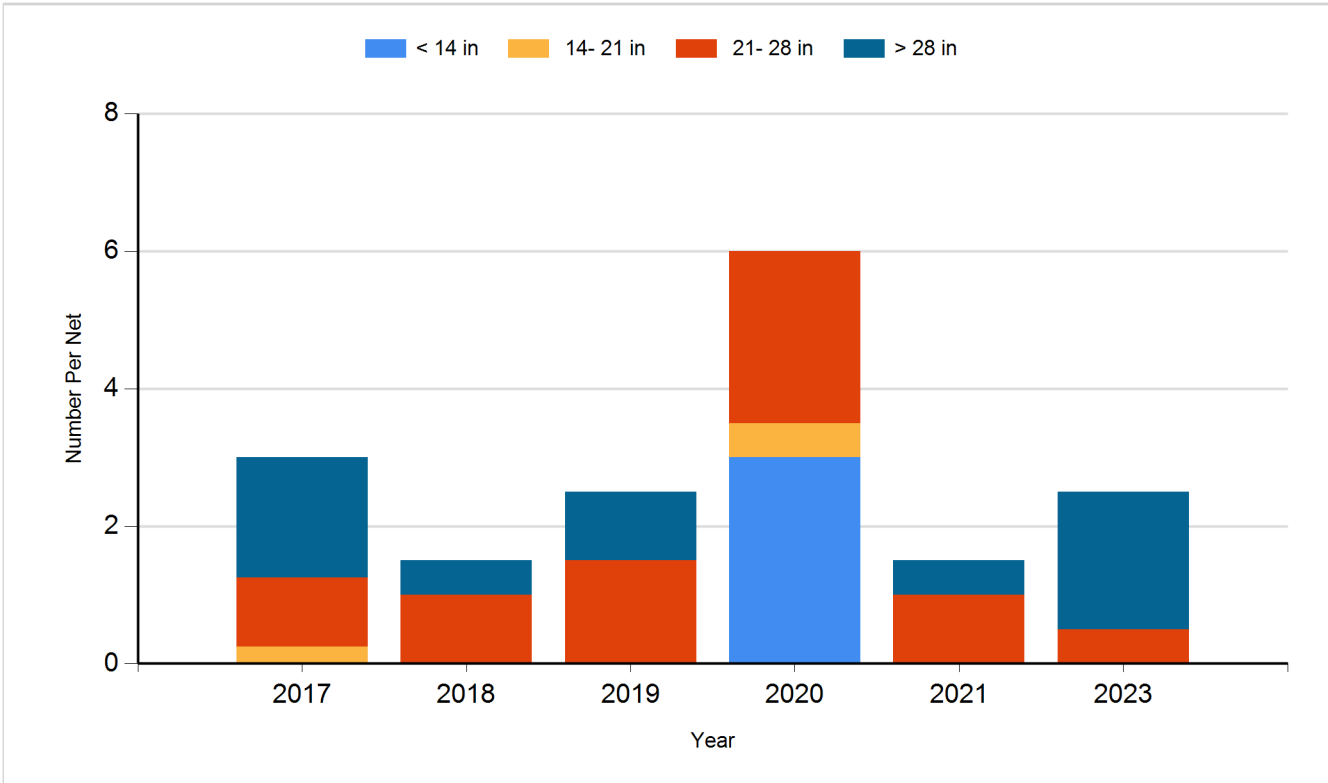
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Gear: AFS std frame net



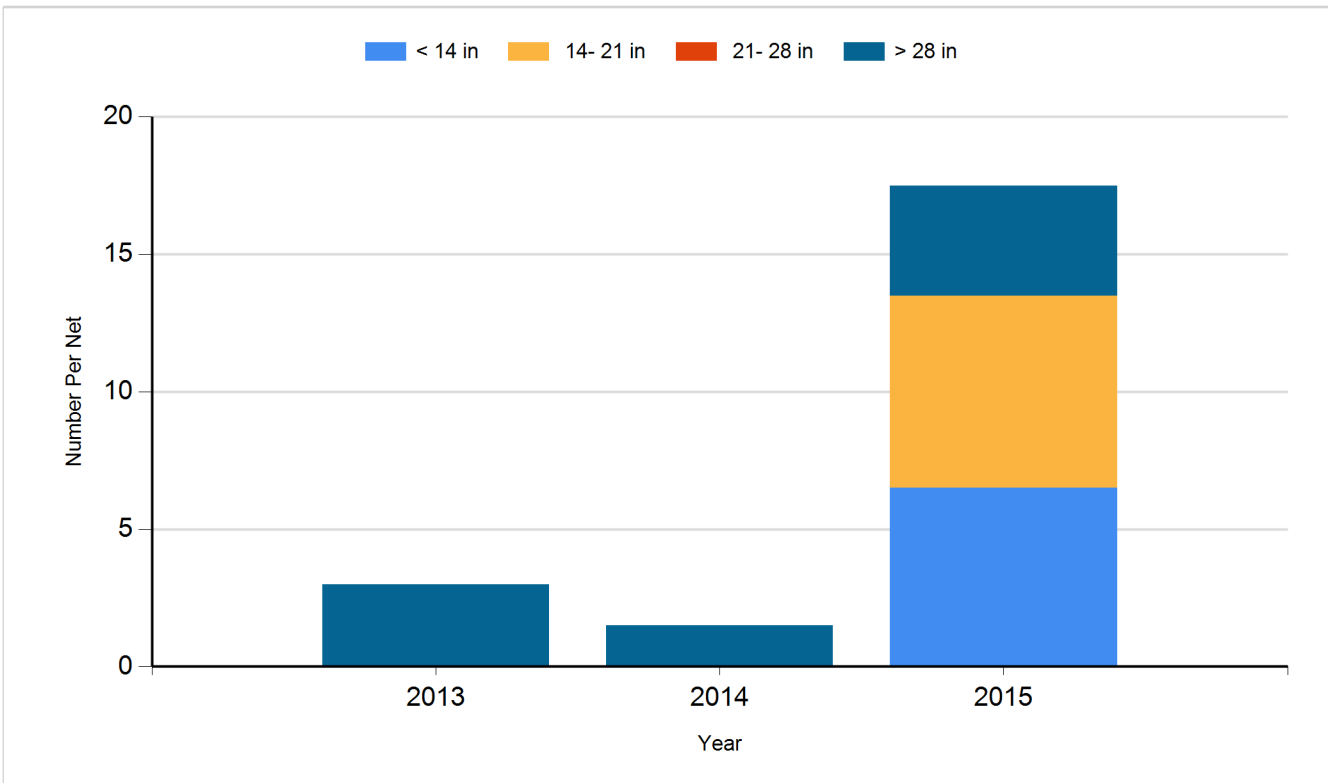
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Gear: frame net (std 3/4 in)



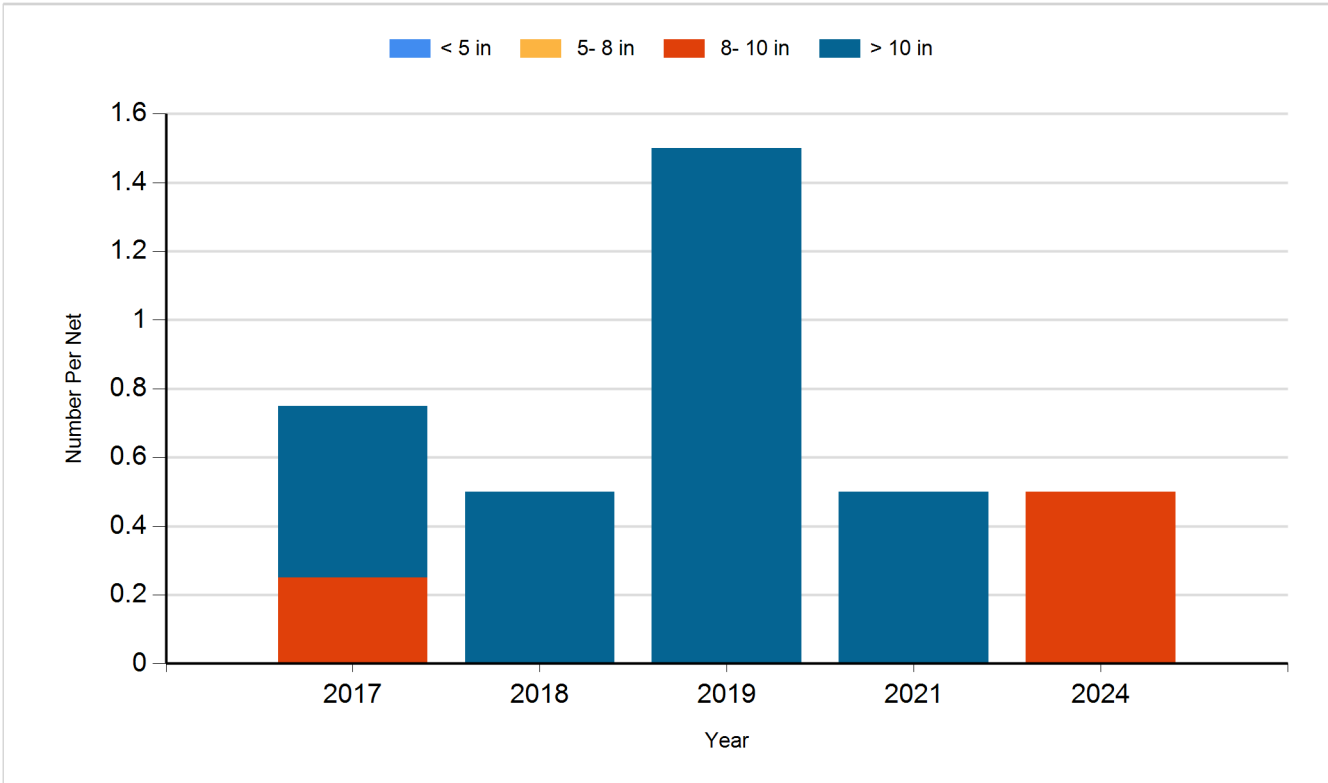
Species: Northern Pike
Gear: AFS std gill net



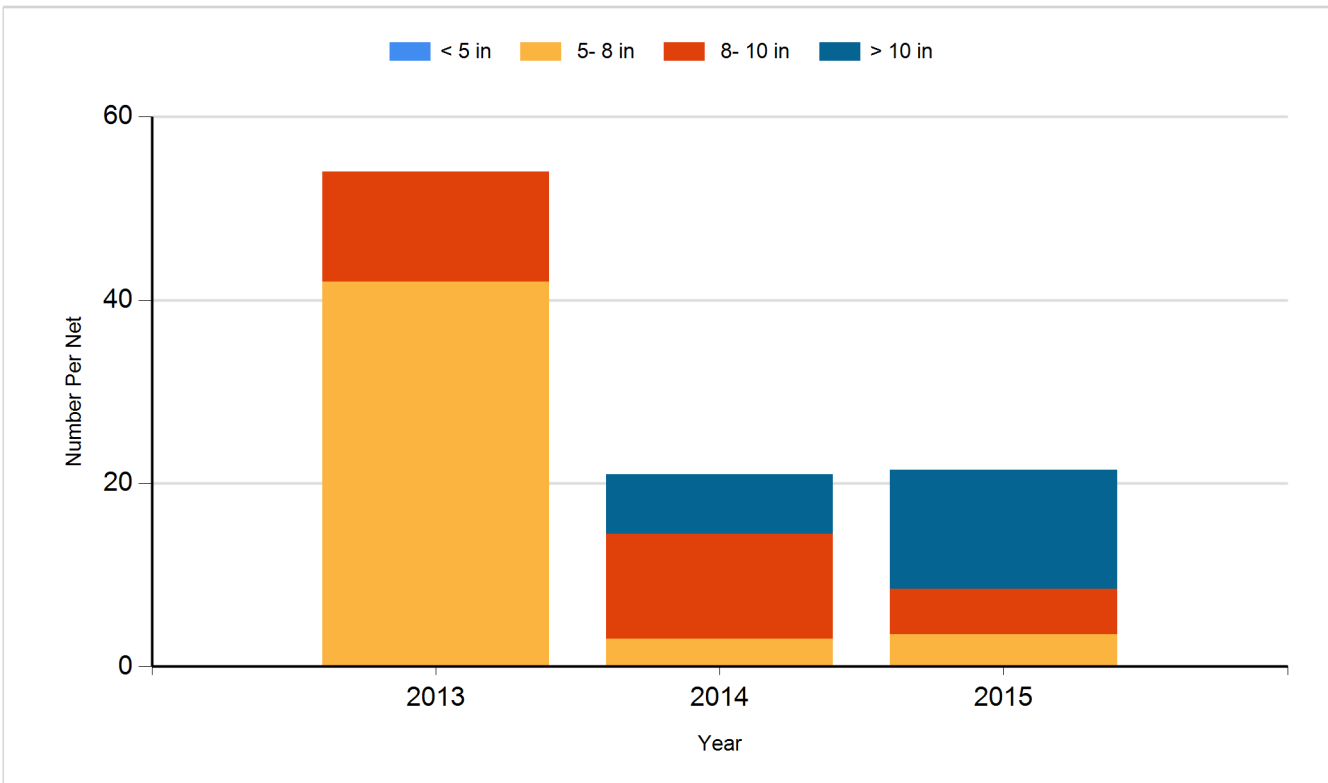
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Gear: std exp gill net



Species: Yellow Perch
Gear: AFS std gill net



Species: Yellow Perch
Gear: std exp gill net



Fish Stocking

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

Year	Species	Size	Number
2016	Bluegill	Adult	600
2019	Black Crappie	Adult	35
2019	Bluegill	Adult	67
2019	Largemouth Bass	Fingerling	1,500
2019	Northern Pike	Adult	50
2019	Yellow Perch	Adult	350
2020	Largemouth Bass	Small Fingerling	10,950
2021	Yellow Perch	Adult	1,100
2022	Bluegill	Juvenile	4,260
2022	Yellow Perch	Adult	1,000
2024	Largemouth Bass		100
2024	Largemouth Bass	Adult	100
2024	Yellow Perch	Adult	500