

SOUTH DAKOTA STATEWIDE FISHERIES SURVEY

Henry, Bon Homme County

LJA-Lake-588-000

2024

Lake Information

Name: Henry **Maximum Depth:** 37 Feet
County: Bon Homme **Mean Depth:** 14 Feet
Legal Description: T96-R58-Sec.9-10
Surface Area: 104 Acres

Surveys and Investigations

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

Gear	Date	Effort
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Jun 11, 2024	5 net-nights

Common Fish Species Present

Largemouth Bass

Bluegill

Channel Catfish

White Sucker

Black Crappie

Sunfish Hybrid

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
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Crappie	2	0.4	0.4	100		0	89	2
	Bluegill	197	39.4	17.8	69	5	0	99	1
	Channel Catfish	34	6.6	4.8	64	13	15	103	2
	Sunfish Hybrid	1	0.2	0.3	100		0	99	
	White Sucker	3	0.6	0.6	67		67		

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			0.4								0.40
	Black Crappie			4.0								4.00
	Bluegill			1.8								1.80
	Green Sunfish			0.2								0.20
	White Sucker			1.0								1.00
AFS std gill net	Black Bullhead			0.3								0.30
	Black Crappie			3.0								3.00
	Common Carp			0.0								0.00
	Green Sunfish			0.2								0.20
	Largemouth Bass			0.2								0.20
	Saugeye			0.2								0.20
	White Sucker			4.0								4.00
	Yellow Perch			5.0								5.00
boat shocker (day)	Largemouth Bass					91.3			39.0	46.0		58.77
boat shocker (night)	Largemouth Bass	25.5										25.50
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Bullhead	0.0	0.2		0.0	1.2			0.7		0.0	0.35
	Black Crappie	16.9	2.2		10.4	24.2			10.4		0.4	10.75
	Bluegill	20.5	16.1		5.0	6.4			18.9		39.4	17.72
	Channel Catfish	0.1	0.1		0.0	0.0			0.1		6.6	1.15
	Common Carp	0.1	0.1		0.2	0.4			0.4		0.0	0.20
	Green Sunfish	0.0	0.1		0.0	0.0			0.2		0.0	0.05
	Largemouth Bass	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.4			0.0		0.0	0.07
	Sunfish Hybrid	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.2			0.4		0.2	0.13
	Walleye	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0			0.0		0.0	0.00
	White Sucker	0.6	0.4		1.0	1.4			1.9		0.6	0.98
	Yellow Perch	0.0	0.4		0.4	0.2			0.4		0.0	0.23

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 Crappie	PSD			65									
		PSD-P			20									
		Wr			89									
	Bluegill	PSD			78									
		PSD-P			0									
		Wr			99									
	White Sucker	PSD			100									
		PSD-P			80									
		Wr												
AFS std gill net	Black Crappie	PSD			33									
		PSD-P			6									
		Wr			96									
	Largemouth Bass	PSD			100									
		PSD-P			100									
		Wr			99									
	White Sucker	PSD			92									
		PSD-P			67									
	boat shocker (day)	Largemouth Bass	PSD						33			38	70	
PSD-P								24			4	48		
Wr								95			89	84		
boat shocker (night)	Largemouth Bass	PSD	78											
		PSD-P	29											
		Wr	92											
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Black Crappie	PSD	36	41		23	19				99		100	
		PSD-P	0	9		10	1				66		0	
		Wr	93	97		93	85				96		89	
	Bluegill	PSD	84	58		32	53				30		69	
		PSD-P	2	2		0	0				0		0	
		Wr	90	107		88	87				91		99	
	Channel Catfish	PSD	100	100							100		64	
		PSD-P	0	0							0		15	
		Wr	91	102							85		103	

Gear	Species	Index	Year										
			2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
frame net (std 3/4 in)	Largemouth Bass	PSD						100					
		PSD-P						100					
		Wr						107					
	White Sucker	PSD	100	75		100	100			100			67
		PSD-P	100	75		100	100			100			67

Length at Capture

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

Species: Black Crappie

Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age											
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2015	172	132 (12)	191 (112)		226 (15)	236 (34)					

Species: Bluegill

Mean Length (expanded sample number) at capture by age											
Year	N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
2022	187		98 (84)	138 (63)	168 (40)						
2015	205		150 (75)	161 (18)	183 (42)	186 (66)	212 (4)				

Fish Condition

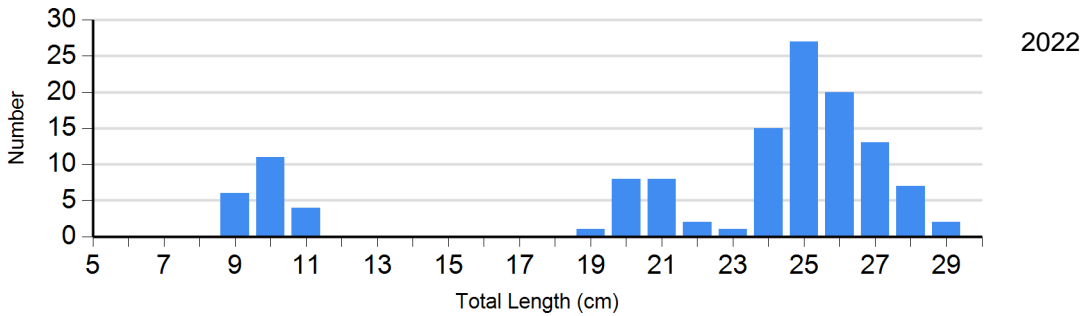
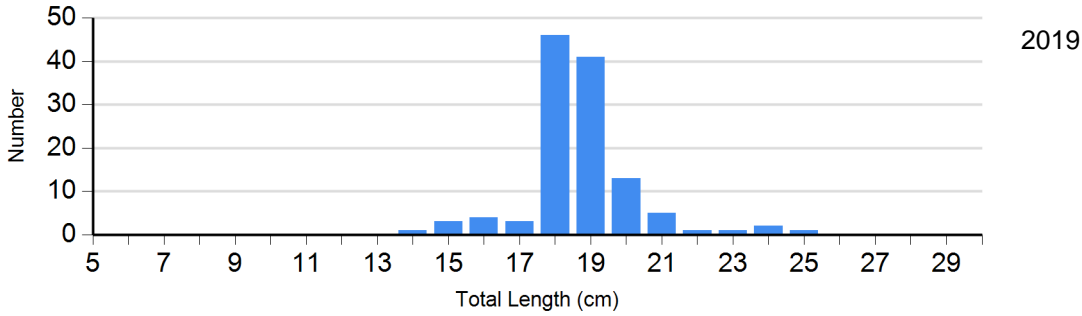
Mean relative weight (Wr) by sample size (N), length category stock to quality (S-Q), quality to preferred (Q-P), preferred to memorable (P-M), and memorable (M) for species collected across survey years with standard error (SE).

Species	Year	Length Groups							
		S-Q		Q-P		P-M		M	
		N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)	N	Wr (SE)
Black Crappie Frame Net	2022	1	95	34	100 (1.7)	69	95 (0.6)	0	
	2024	0		2	89 (1.3)	0		0	
Bluegill Frame Net	2022	133	92 (1.5)	56	88 (1.9)	0		0	
	2024	61	117 (1.5)	136	97 (0.7)	0		0	
Largemouth Bass Electro Fishing	2022	16	87 (1.4)	9	92 (3.2)	1	89	0	
	2023	7	79 (1.9)	5	80 (1.6)	11	88 (2.6)	0	

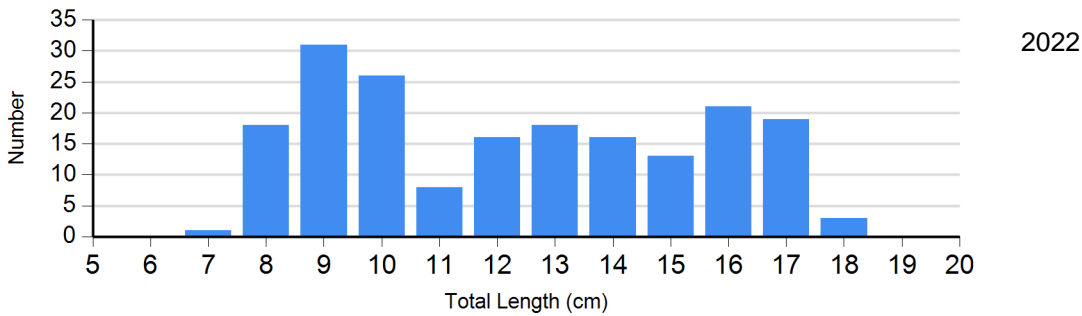
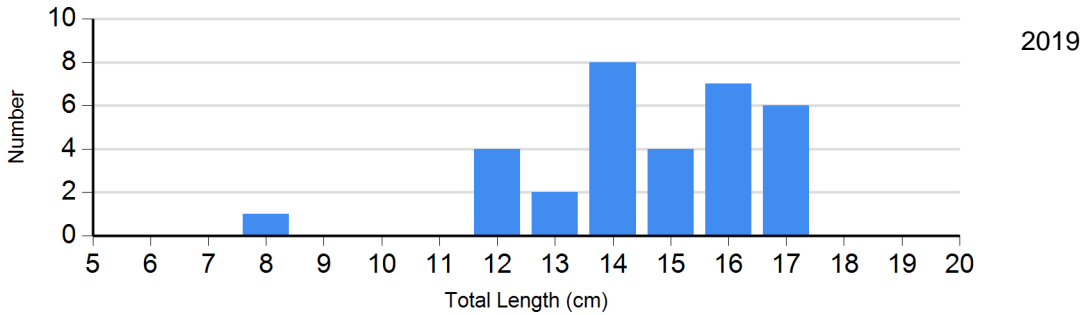
Length Frequency Distribution

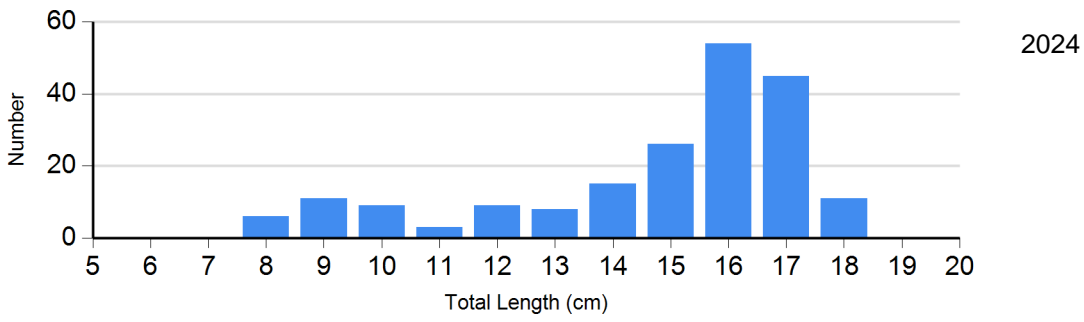
Length frequency histogram of species sampled by year.

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

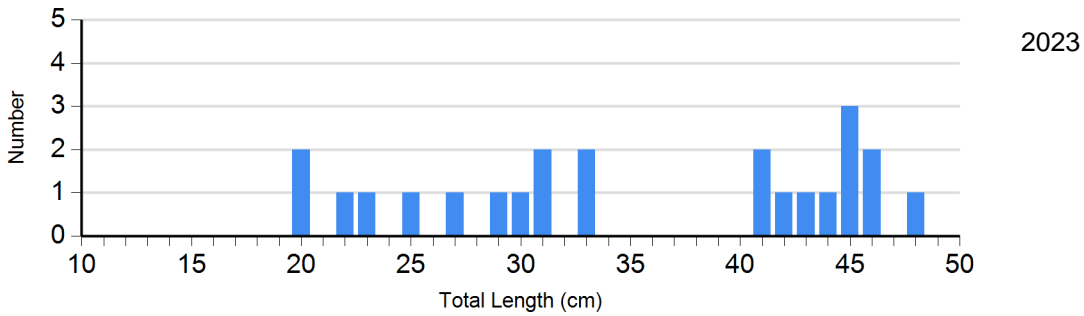
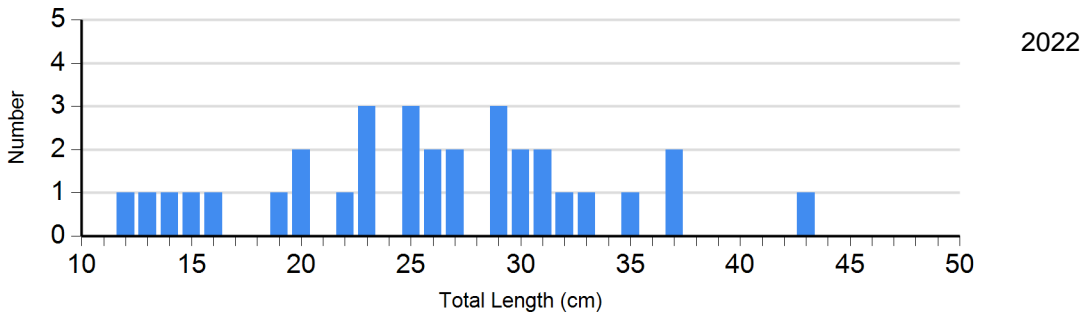
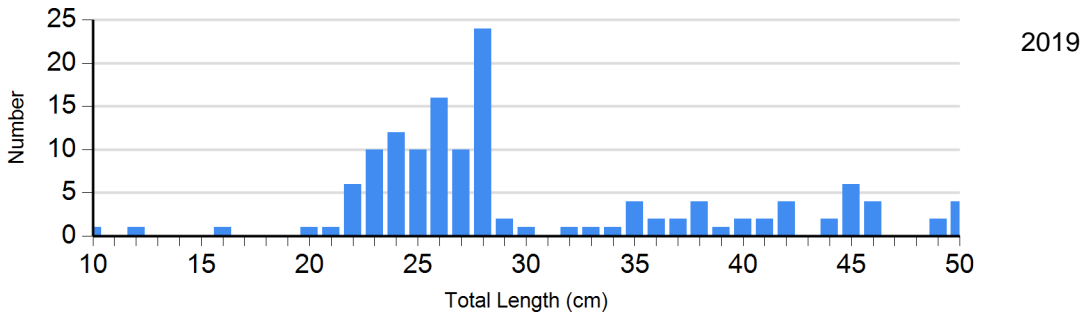


Species: Bluegill
Gear: frame net (std 3/4 in)





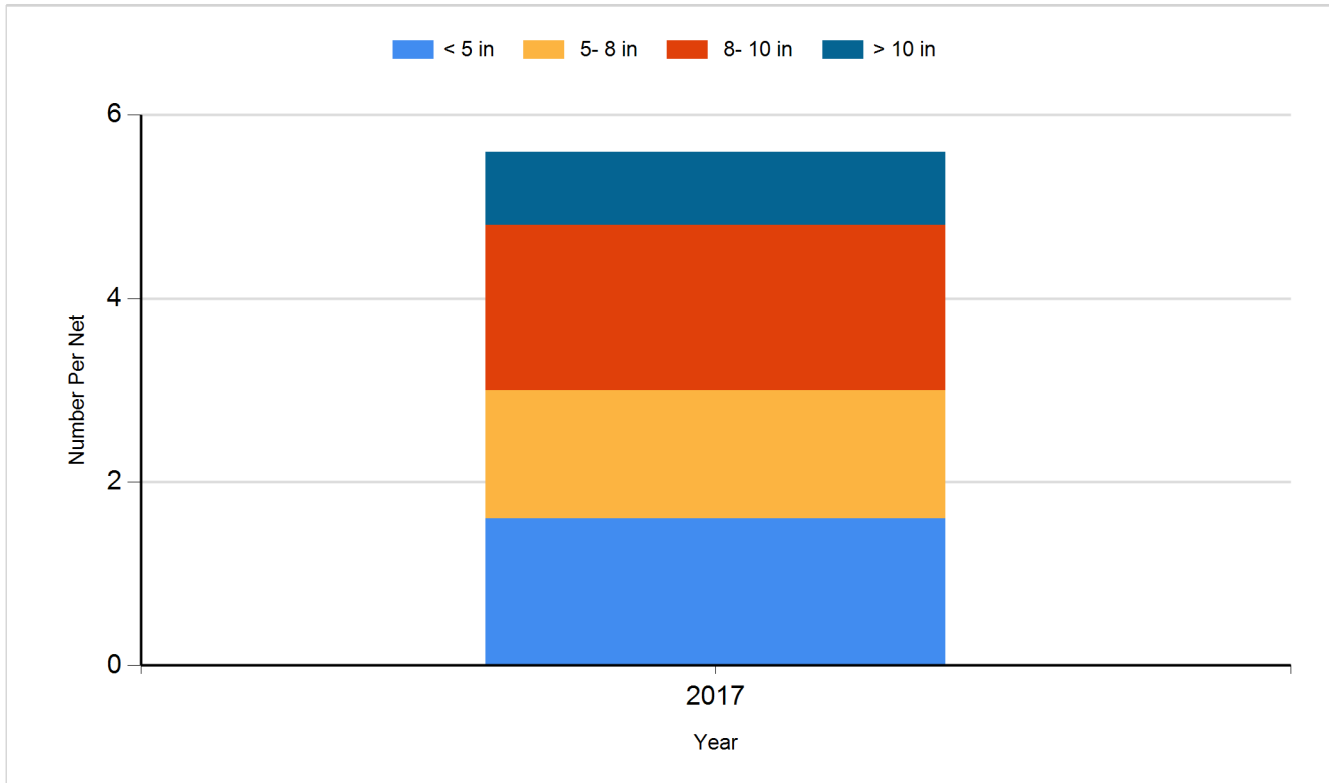
Species: Largemouth Bass
 Gear: boat shocker (day)



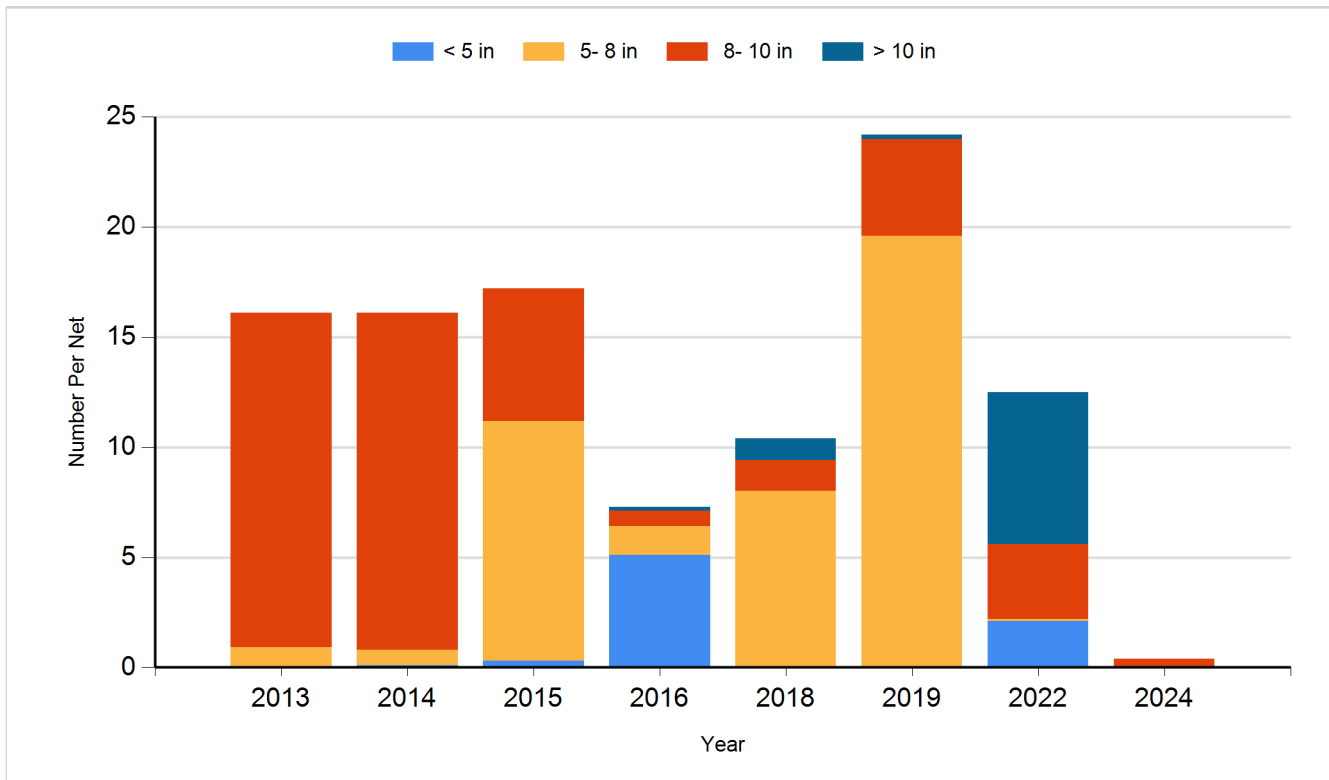
Historic Fish Sizes and Relative Abundance

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

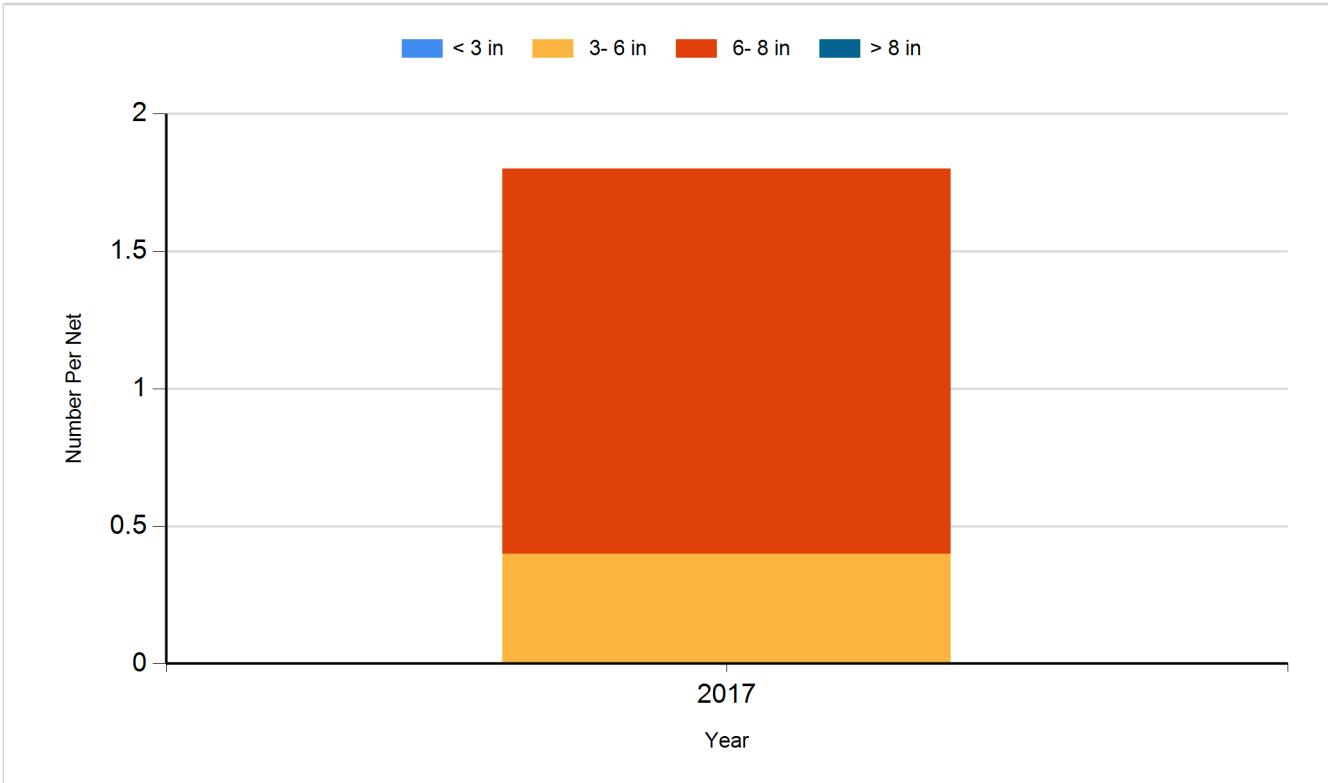
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Gear: AFS std frame net



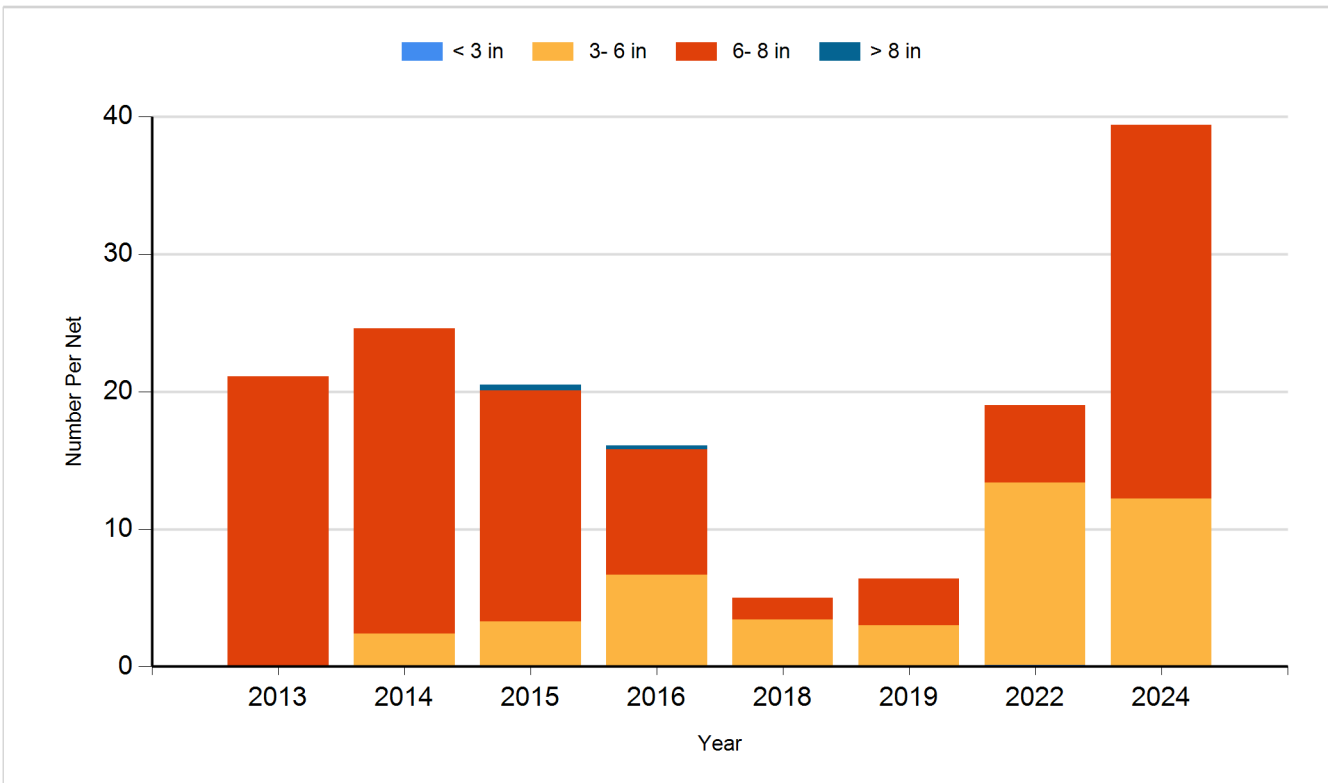
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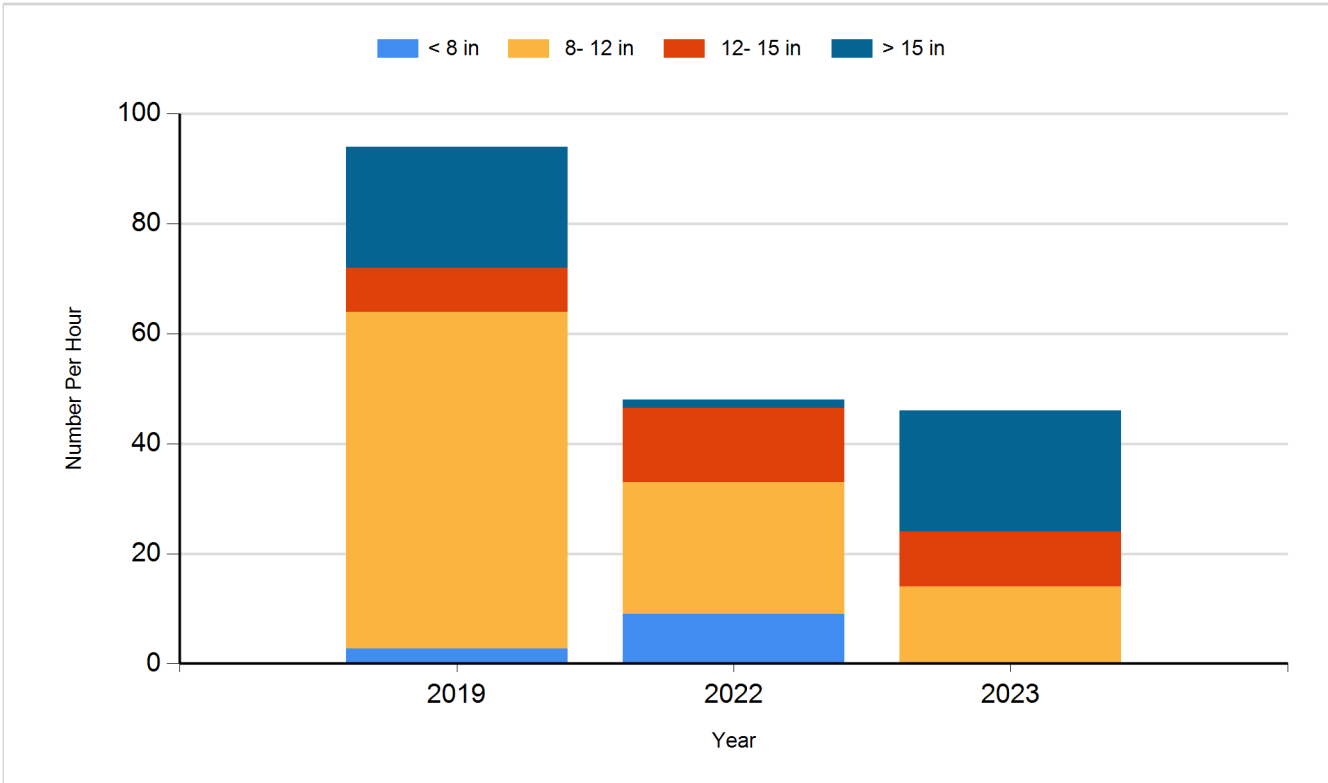
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Gear: AFS std frame net



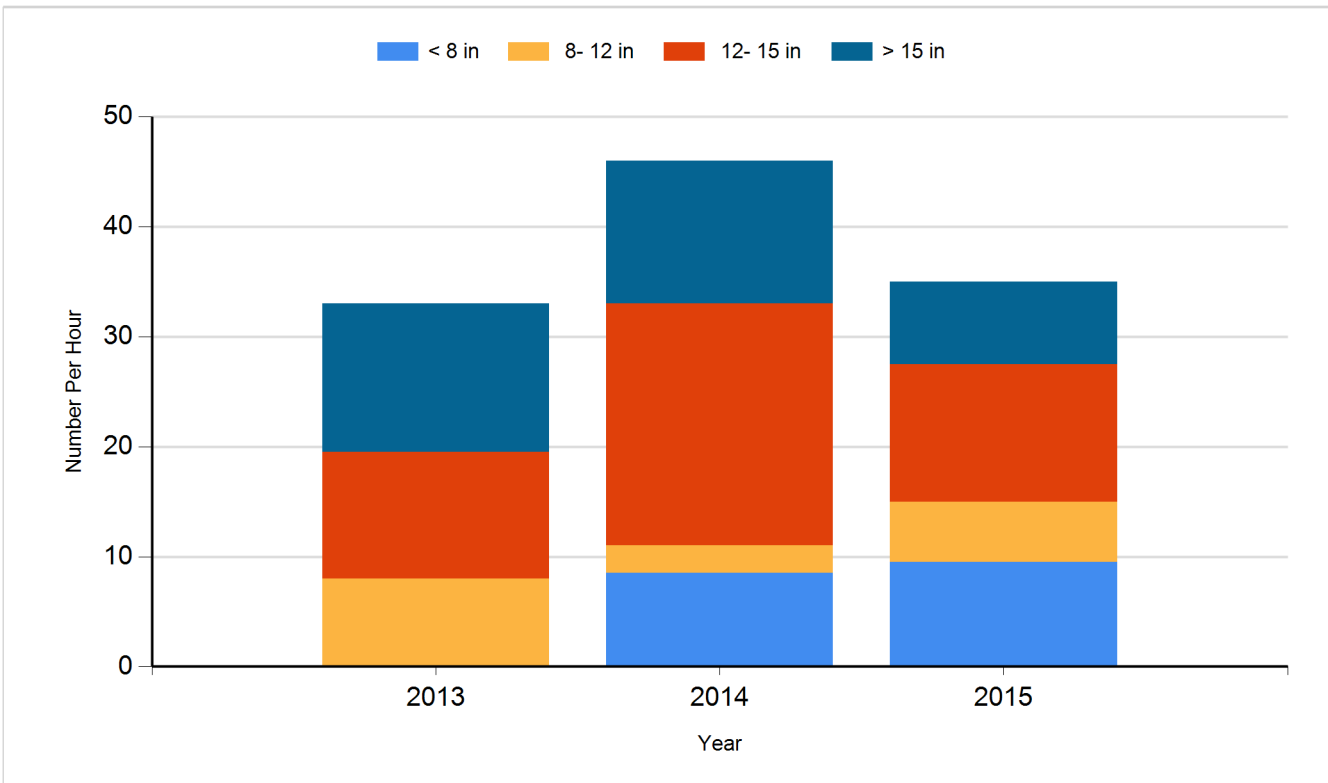
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Gear: frame net (std 3/4 in)



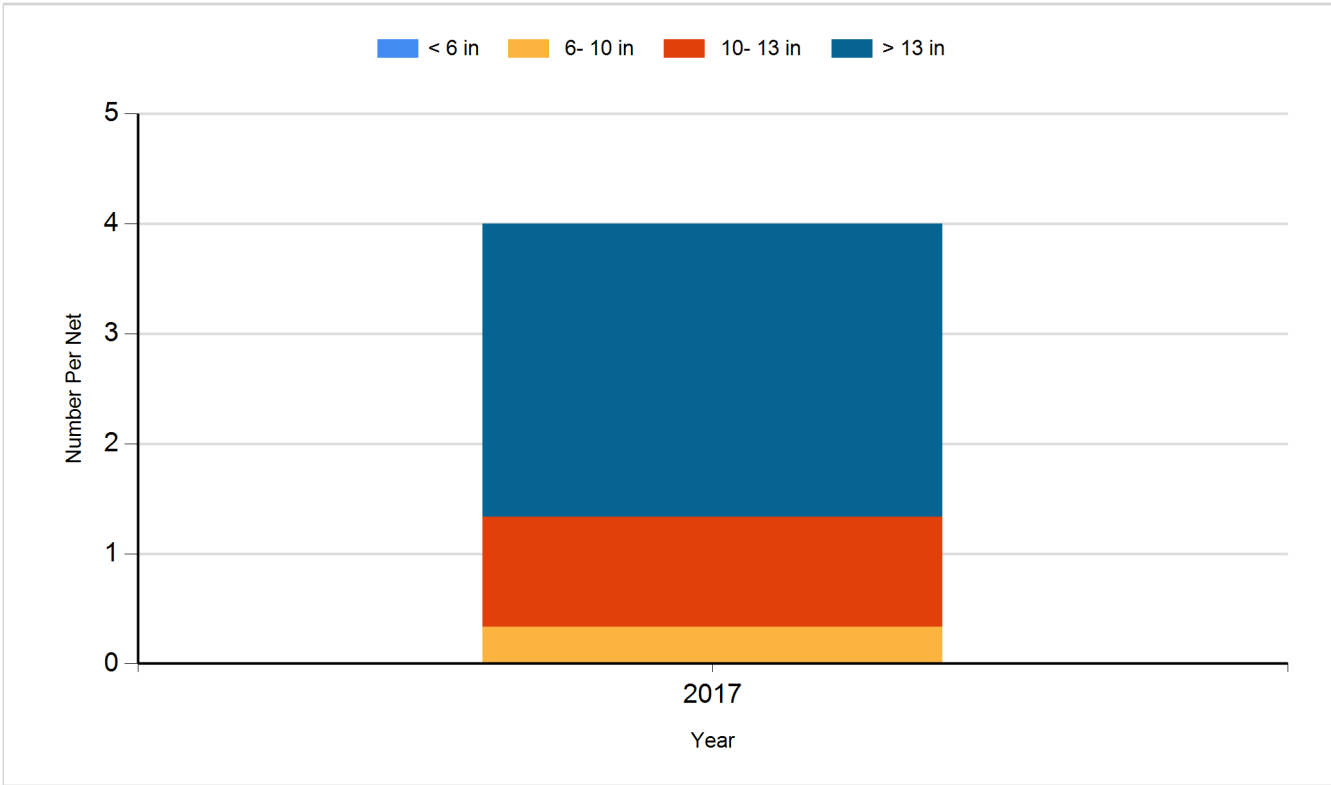
Species: Largemouth Bass
Gear: boat shocker (day)



Species: Largemouth Bass
Gear: boat shocker (night)



Species: White Sucker
Gear: AFS std gill net



Fish Stocking

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

Year	Species	Size	Number
2013	Channel Catfish	Large Fingerling	3,300
2014	Yellow Perch	Small Fingerling	40,820
2015	Largemouth Bass	Fingerling	11,400
2016	Yellow Perch	Adult	5,445
2023	Channel Catfish	Juvenile	948
2024	Saugeye	Juvenile	11,977