



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Fisheries Information Sheet

LAKE: Gile Flowage

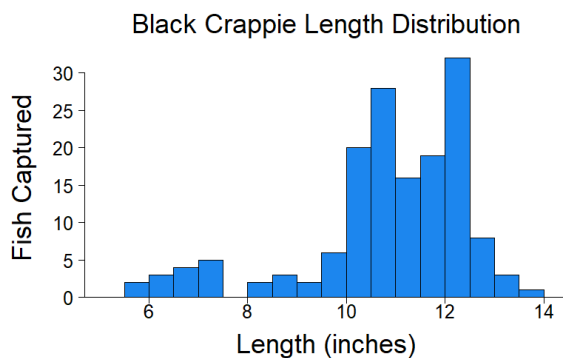
COUNTY: Iron

YEAR: 2022

Introduction

Gile Flowage is a 3,128-acre impoundment with stained water and a maximum depth of 25 feet. In 2022, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) conducted a late spring electrofishing survey to assess the smallmouth bass population and a summer fyke-netting survey to assess panfish populations.

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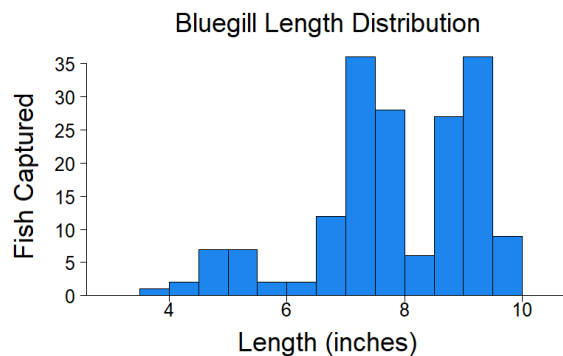


During the summer fyke-netting survey, crews sampled 118 black crappies at a low rate of 9.8 per net-night. Black crappies ranged in length from 5.7 - 13.5 inches and averaged 11.1 inches. These results suggest that black crappies are present at low densities, but the population exhibits a quality size structure.

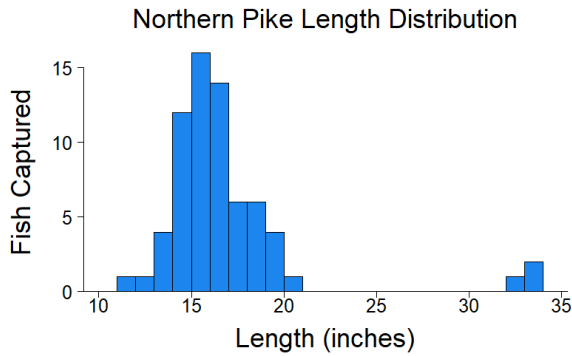
BLUEGILL



During the targeted summer fyke-netting survey, crews sampled a total of 165 bluegills at a low rate of 13.8 per net-night. Bluegills ranged in length from 4.4 - 9.8 inches and averaged 7.9 inches. These results suggest that bluegills are present at low densities, but the



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NORTHERN PIKE

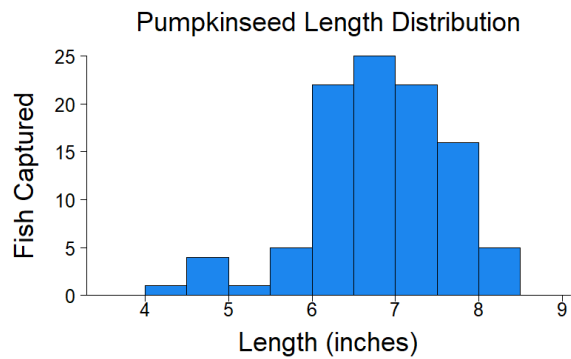


During the non-targeted, late spring electrofishing survey, crews captured a total of 68 northern pike at a low rate of 6.4 per mile. Northern pike ranged in length from 11.2 - 33.3 inches and averaged 16.8 inches.

PUMPKINSEED



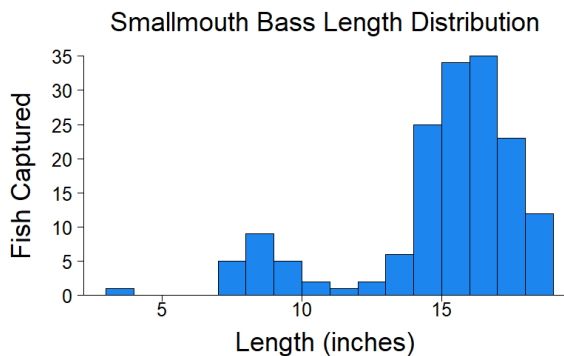
During the targeted, summer fyke-netting survey, crews sampled a total of 93 pumpkinseeds at a low rate of 7.8 per net-night. Pumpkinseeds ranged in length from 4.3 - 8.1 inches and averaged 6.7 inches. These results suggest that pumpkinseeds are present at low densities, but the population exhibits a quality size structure.



SMALLMOUTH BASS



During the targeted, late spring electrofishing survey, crews sampled a total of 157 smallmouth bass at a high rate of 19.6 per mile. Smallmouth bass ranged in length from 3.2 - 18.5 inches and averaged 15.0 inches. These results suggest that smallmouth bass are present at high densities, and the

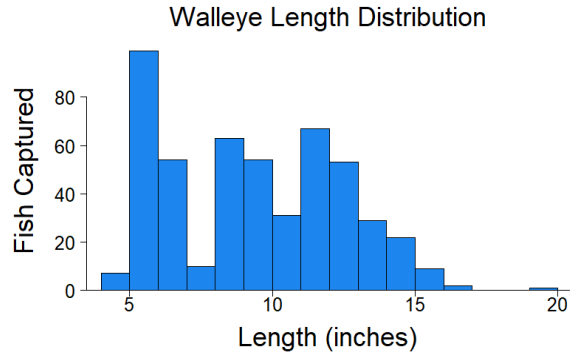


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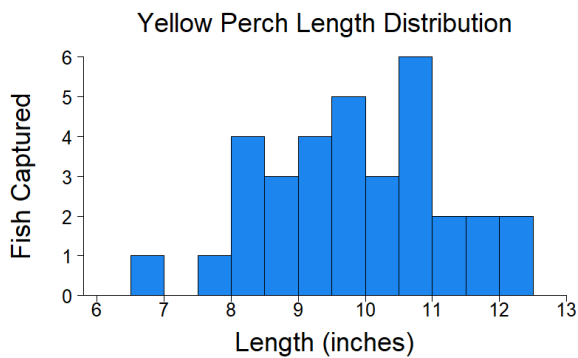
During the non-targeted, late spring electrofishing survey, crews captured a total of 501 walleyes at a high rate of 62.3 per mile. Walleyes ranged in length from 4.5 - 19.3 inches and averaged 9.3 inches.



YELLOW PERCH



During the non-targeted, summer fyke-netting survey, crews captured a total of 33 yellow perch at a low rate of 2.8 per net-night. Yellow perch ranged in length from 6.8 - 12.0 inches and averaged 9.8 inches.



OTHER SPECIES

Throughout spring surveys, crews also sampled muskellunge, rock bass and white suckers.

Acknowledgements

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