



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Fisheries Information Sheet

LAKE: Pike Lake

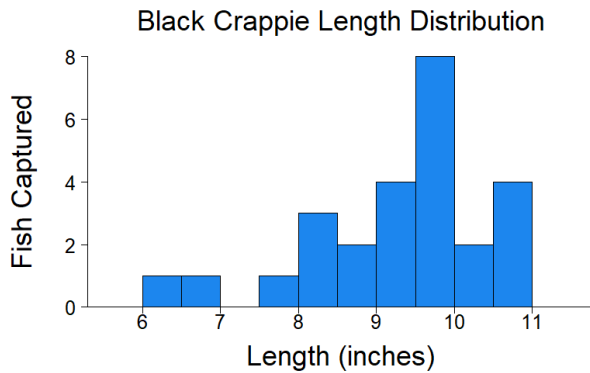
COUNTY: Iron

YEAR: 2023

Introduction

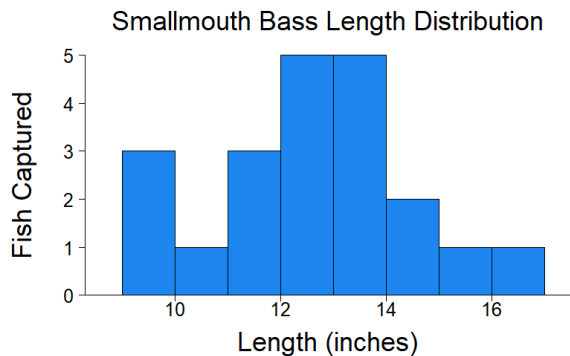
Pike Lake is a 214-acre drainage lake with stained water and a maximum depth of 80 feet. In 2023, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources conducted a late spring electrofishing survey to assess the bass and panfish populations.

BLACK CRAPPIE



During the targeted, late spring electrofishing survey, crews captured a total of 26 black crappies at a moderate rate of 52.0 per mile. Black crappies ranged in length from 6.3 – 10.8 inches and averaged 9.2 inches. These results suggest that black crappies are currently at high densities, and the population exhibits a balanced size structure.

SMALLMOUTH BASS



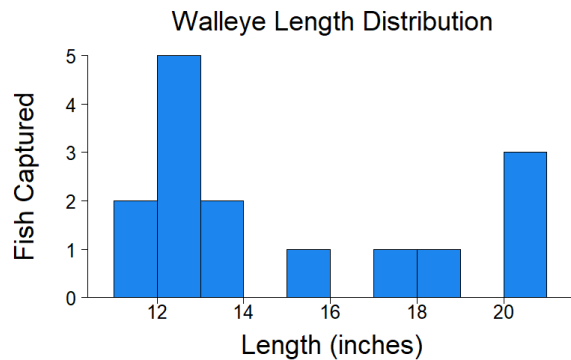
During targeted sampling, crews captured a total of 21 smallmouth bass at a moderate rate of 7.8 per mile. Smallmouth bass ranged in length from 9.3 – 16.5 inches and averaged 12.6 inches. These results suggest that smallmouth bass are currently present

in moderate densities, but most individuals are relatively small.

WALLEYE



During the late spring electrofishing survey, we sampled a total of 15 adult walleyes at a low rate of 5.6 adults per mile. Adult walleye ranged in length from 13.5 inches - 27.1 inches and averaged 16.9 inches. These results suggest that adult walleyes are currently present in low densities but exhibit a balanced size structure.



OTHER SPECIES

During this survey, crews also sampled low numbers of yellow bullheads, yellow perch, greater redhorses, shorthead redhorses, rock bass, pumpkinseeds, northern pike, muskellunge, bluegills and golden shiners.

Acknowledgements

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