

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Fisheries Information Sheet

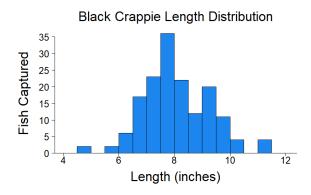
LAKE: Gordon Lake

COUNTY: Ashland

YEAR: 2022

Introduction

Gordon Lake is a 132-acre drainage lake with stained water and a maximum depth of 28 feet. In 2022, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) conducted an early spring fyke-netting and electrofishing survey to complete a walleye population estimate and a late spring electrofishing survey to assess bass and panfish populations.



BLACK CRAPPIE

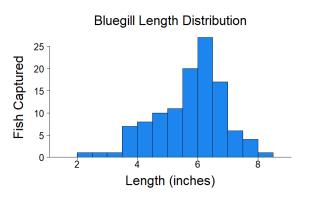


During the early spring fyke-netting survey, crews sampled a total of 295 black crappies at a moderate rate of 14.8 per net-night. A subsample of 159 black crappies ranged in length from 4.7 - 11.4 inches and averaged 8.0 inches. These results suggest that black crappies are present at moderate densities, and the population exhibits a balanced size structure.

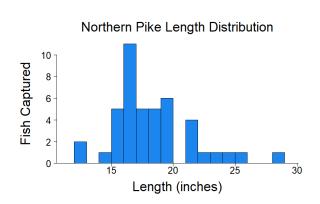
BLUEGILL



During the targeted, late spring electrofishing survey, crews sampled a total of 100 bluegills at a high rate of 200.0 per mile. Bluegills ranged in length



from 2.9 - 8.1 inches and averaged 5.7 inches. These results suggest that bluegills are present at high densities, but most individuals are relatively small.



NORTHERN PIKE

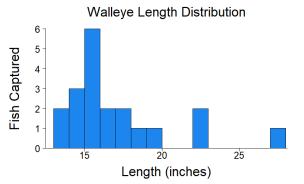


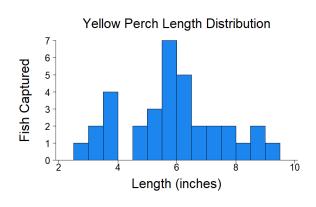
During the early spring fyke-netting survey, crews sampled a total of 44 northern pike at a low rate of 2.8 per net-night. Northern pike ranged in length from 12.6 - 28.1 inches and averaged 18.2 inches. These results suggest that northern pike are present at low densities, but the population exhibits a balanced size structure.

WALLEYE



During the spring walleye population estimate, we captured a total of 20 adult walleyes ranging in length from 13.5 -27.1 inches and averaging 16.9 inches. The population was estimated to have 73 individuals or 0.5 fish per acre. These results suggest that adult walleyes are present in very low densities.







During the targeted, early spring fyke netting survey, crews sampled a total of 67 yellow perch at a low rate of 3.4 per net-night. A subsample of 34 yellow perch ranged in length from 2.9 - 9.1 inches and averaged 5.8 inches. These data suggest that yellow perch are present at low densities, and most individuals are relatively small.

OTHER SPECIES

Throughout spring surveys, crews also sampled black bullheads, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, pumpkinseeds, common shiners, rock bass, shorthead redhorses, white suckers, yellow bullheads and golden shiners.

Acknowledgements

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