



# Wisconsin Department Of Natural Resources

## Fisheries Information Sheet

Townline Lake, Oneida County, WI 2025

### Introduction

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) assessed the bass and panfish fisheries in Townline Lake during the spring of 2025. Townline Lake is a 62-acre seepage lake with 1.7 miles of shoreline and a maximum depth of 25 feet. Gamefish were collected by electrofishing transects covering 1.7 miles of the shoreline. All species were collected during one transect covering one-half mile of shoreline total.

### Bluegill

A total of 299 bluegills were captured while surveying Townline Lake. Bluegill catch per mile was above the 95th percentile for simple-cool-clear lakes and above 90th percentile among other Oneida County lakes. The lengths of measured bluegills varied between 1.6 inches and 6.8 inches, with a mean length of 3.6 inches. Of measured bluegill, 5% were 6 inches or greater.

Table 1: 364.8 bluegills captured per mile  $\geq$  3 inches.

Quality Size $\geq$ 6 inches	Preferred Size $\geq$ 8 inches
5.0 per mile	0.0 per mile

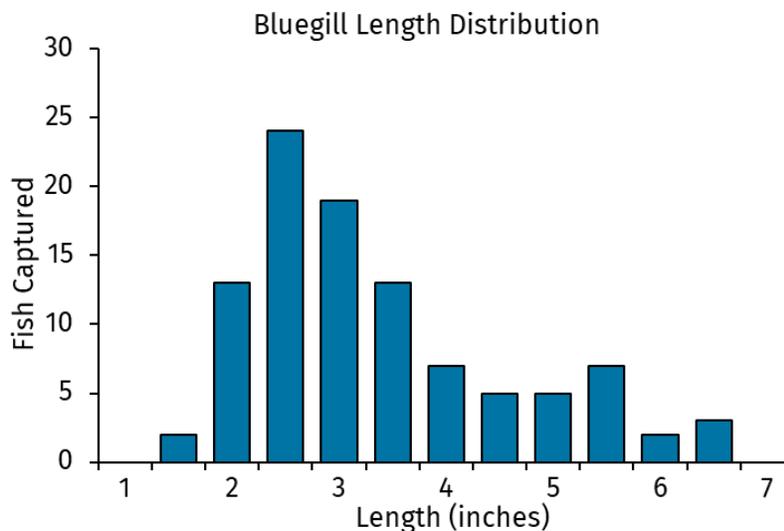


Figure 1. Size histogram of bluegill captured during a spring 2025 electrofishing survey of Townline Lake in Oneida County, Wisconsin

## Largemouth Bass

A total of 52 largemouth bass were captured during electrofishing. Largemouth bass catch per mile was slightly below the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile for simple-cool-clear lakes and near the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile among other Oneida County lakes. The lengths of measured largemouth bass varied between 2.6 inches and 17.7 inches, with a mean length of 11.9 inches. Of the measured largemouth bass, 62% were 12 inches or greater.

Table 2: 26.5 largemouth bass captured per mile  $\geq$  8 inches

Quality Size $\geq$ 12 inches	Preferred Size $\geq$ 15 inches
18.8 per mile	2.4 per mile

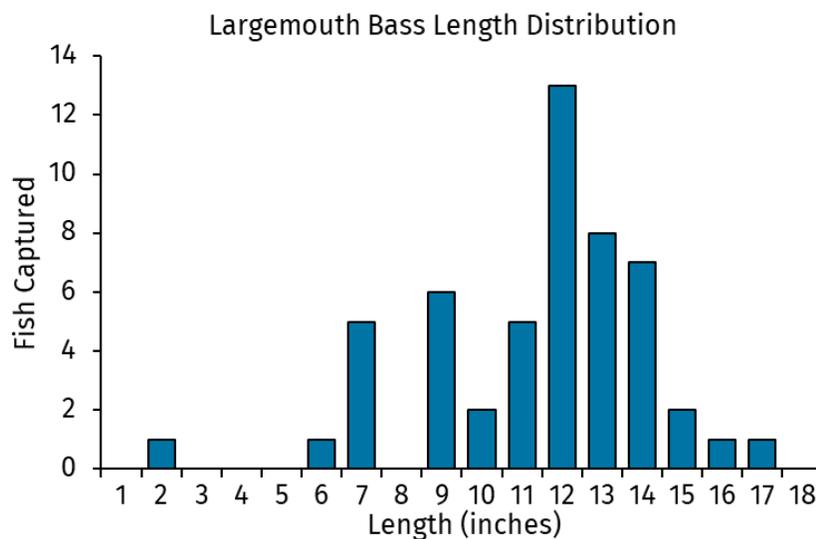


Figure 2. Size histogram of largemouth bass captured during a spring 2025 electrofishing survey of Townline Lake in Oneida County, Wisconsin

## Other Species

Other species encountered while surveying Townline Lake included: black crappie (five), central mudminnow (one), Iowa darter (four), pumpkinseed x bluegill hybrid (one), yellow bullhead (six) and yellow perch (five).

## Summary

Townline Lake is a simple-cool-clear lake with a mixed fishery that can be accessed by a gravel ramp off Townline Lake Park on the southeast side of the lake. Although age structures were not taken to evaluate growth, the high abundance and small size structure of bluegill point towards slow growth, which is common in soft water systems with low productivity such as Townline Lake. Largemouth bass can play an important role in controlling bluegill numbers, but at the time of the survey, more predatory pressure on small bluegills may benefit bluegill size structure.

Table 3. General fishing regulations for Townline Lake, in Oneida County Wisconsin in 2025. For current regulations or species not listed below, check the most recent state fishing regulations pamphlet or information can be found on the [DNR's website](#).

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Size Limit
Largemouth bass	May - March	5	14" minimum length
Northern pike	May - March	5	No minimum length
Panfish	Open all year	25	No minimum length

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