



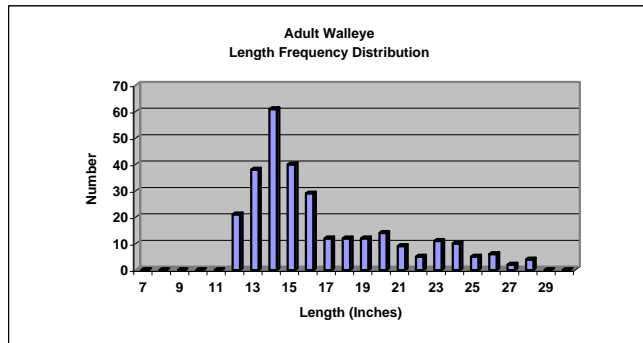
**WISCONSIN DNR  
FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET  
BEAR LAKE, BARRON COUNTY, 2008**

The Department of Natural Resources conducted a fisheries assessment of Bear Lake, Barron County, from April 28, 2008 to June 03, 2008.

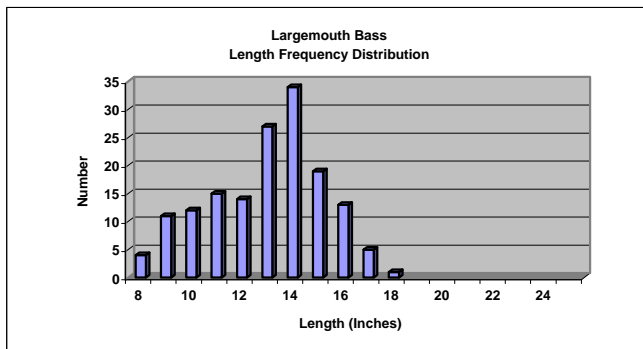
Bear Lake is a drainage lake in the St. Croix River basin. The walleye fishery is supported primarily through stocking. The population estimate for adult walleye was less than lakes with similar characteristics.



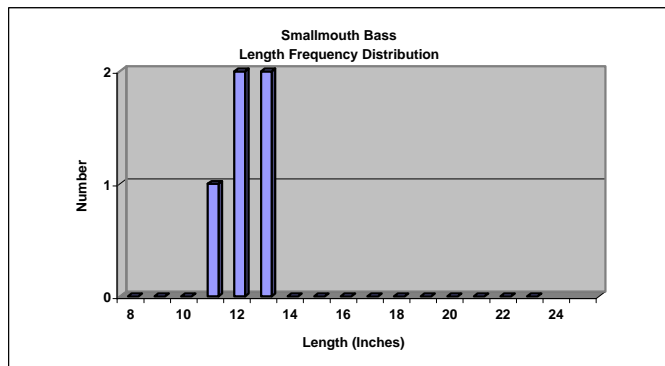
<b>Walleye</b>	
Total Captured	291
Avg. Length (in.)	16.6
Length Range (in.)	12-28
% >15"	59%



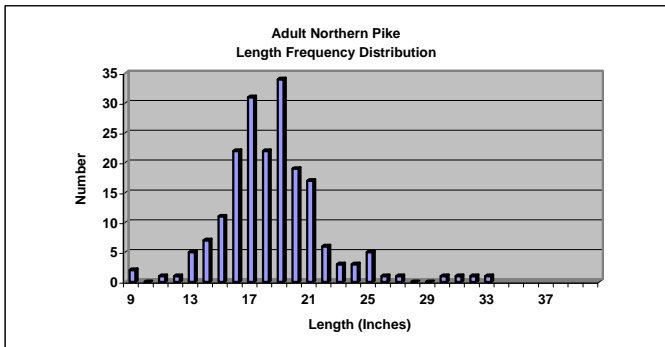
<b>Largemouth Bass</b>	
Total Captured	155
Avg. Length (in.)	12.9
Length Range (in.)	8-18
% >14"	46%



<b>Smallmouth Bass</b>	
Total Captured	5
Avg. Length (in.)	12.2
Length Range (in.)	11-13
% >14"	0%



<b>Northern Pike</b>	
Total Captured	195
Avg. Length (in.)	18.5
Length Range (in.)	9-33
% >26"	3%



### Other Species

Some of the other species observed during this survey but not included in the report were bluegill, pumpkinseed, black crappie, yellow perch, and white sucker.

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Bear Lake this year. Creel clerk Greg Stokes will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

### Stocking History

Year	Species	Number Fish Stocked	Avg Fish Length (IN)
1991	WALLEYE	68,593	3
1992	WALLEYE	18,849	3
1992	WALLEYE	5,238	5
1993	WALLEYE	67,900	2
1993	WALLEYE	5,185	6
1995	WALLEYE	4,466	3
1996	WALLEYE	2,039	5
1997	WALLEYE	67,900	2
1998	WALLEYE	12,845	3
1999	WALLEYE	89,005	2
2000	WALLEYE	14,850	3
2001	BROWN TROUT	52,348	2
2001	WALLEYE	101,850	2
2003	WALLEYE	76,373	2
2003	WALLEYE	25,452	2
2003	WALLEYE	55,908	2
2004	WALLEYE	525,000	0
2004	WALLEYE	102,326	1
2004	WALLEYE	27,193	3
2006	WALLEYE	13,578	7

### General Fishing Regulations for Bear Lake, Barron County, 2008

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 03-March 01	2	15" MINIMUM
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	May 03-March 01	5	14" MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 24-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 03-March 01	5	NONE

A brief summary of selected fishing regulations is included above. While the regulatory information provided was current at the time the surveys were conducted, it is not comprehensive and should not be used as a substitute for the current fishing regulation pamphlet. You may obtain a copy of current fishing regulations when you purchase your fishing license, or download a copy from our web site at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/fish/regulations/>

This report is interim only; data and findings should not be considered final. Results of creel surveys should be available by June of the year following the survey. If you are interested in a summary of the creel survey or want an update on this year's fyke netting and electrofishing survey results contact:

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