



2010 Fishing Forecast

LaDue Reservoir



Geauga County
1,478 Acres- Electric Motor Only

Compared to Other Inland Lakes and Reservoirs

Species	FISH POPULATION STATUS			Stocked	Anglers Seeking(%)
	Overall Numbers	This size or Larger	Largest Sampled		
Largemouth Bass	Good	12"	20.2"	<input type="checkbox"/>	19.4
Smallmouth Bass	Fair	11"	19.5"	<input type="checkbox"/>	19.4
Crappie	Excellent	8"	13.7"	<input type="checkbox"/>	14.2
Walleye	Good	15"	28.5"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	11.2
Channel Catfish	Poor	16"	21.7"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.2
Sunfish	Fair	6"	7.5"	<input type="checkbox"/>	3.0

Largemouth Bass **OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT**

Largemouth bass were sampled by electrofishing during spring 2008. Seventy-eight percent of the bass sampled were 12" and longer. An excellent percentage (41) of those fish also exceeded 15".

Smallmouth Bass **OUTLOOK: POOR**

Smallmouth bass were also sampled by electrofishing during spring 2007. Based on a relatively small sample, size, about 73% of the fish measured at least 11". Fifty-three percent of the "bronzbacks" surveyed also measured at least 14". Twenty-seven percent of the fish measured 17" or longer.

Crappie **OUTLOOK: GOOD**

Crappie were sampled during fall 2007 trap-netting surveys. White crappie comprised the majority (55%) of the catch. Seventy-four percent of the white crappie measured 8" and longer, with 32% reaching at least 10". Seven percent of the white crappie measured 12"+. Nineteen percent of black crappie surveyed measured at least 8". Harvested white and black crappie averaged 9.1" and 8.1" (2007 results).

Walleye **OUTLOOK: GOOD**

Walleye were sampled during 2007 with gill nets and electrofishing. The fall 2007 electrofishing catch rate for first-year fish was about 8 fish per hour, which is substantially less than a satisfactory rate of 60 fish per hour. Ninety-six percent of walleye sampled during fall gill-net surveys were 15"+.

Channel Catfish **OUTLOOK EXCELLENT**

Yearling channel catfish are stocked in even-numbered years. Channel catfish that were kept averaged just less than 15", based on 2007 creel survey results. We also sampled catfish during 2007 fall gill-net surveys. Eighty percent of the fish sampled measured at least 16". This lake boasts the state record specimen of nearly 38 pounds, which was caught in 1992.

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Sunfish

OUTLOOK: FAIR

Bluegill were also sampled during spring 2005 electrofishing surveys. A decent number of fish were 6"+, although none of them measured 8". Harvested bluegill averaged 7.4".

NOTES:

LaDue Reservoir is owned by the City of Akron (330-678-0077). The fisheries resources are managed by the Division of Wildlife through an agreement with the City of Akron.