



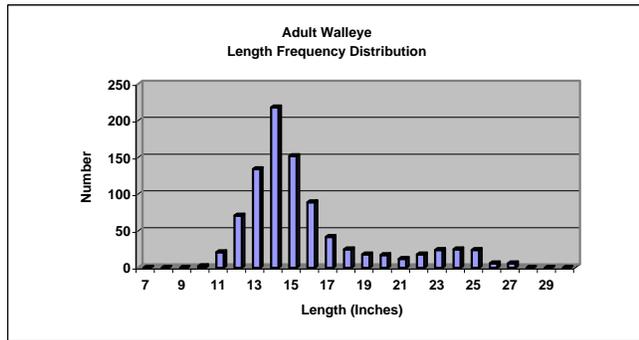
**WISCONSIN DNR
FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET
SISSABAGAMA LAKE, SAWYER COUNTY, 2010**

The Department of Natural Resources conducted a fisheries assessment of Sissabagama Lake, Sawyer County, from April 01, 2010 to May 25, 2010.

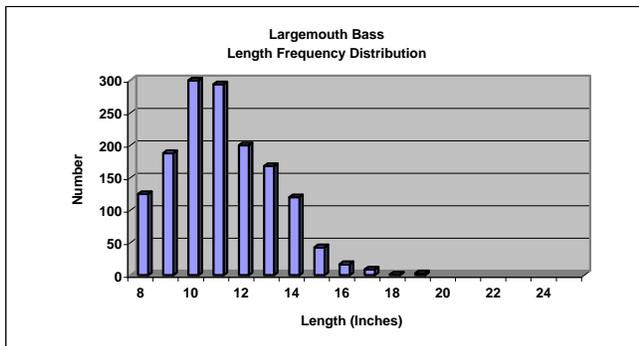
Sissabagama Lake is a seepage lake in the Chippewa River basin. The walleye fishery is supported primarily through natural reproduction. The population estimate for adult walleye is comparable to the average for area lakes with similar characteristics.



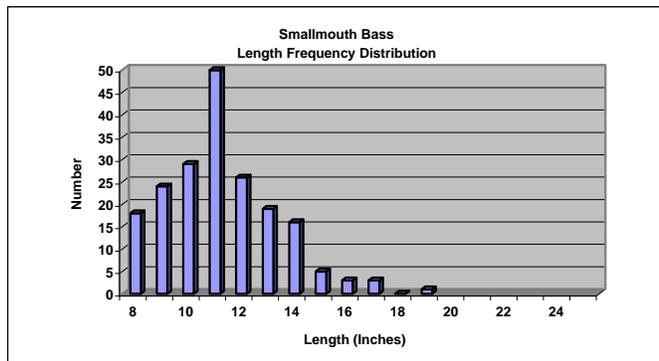
Walleye	
Total Captured	904
Avg. Length (in.)	15.7
Length Range (in.)	10-27
% >15"	51%



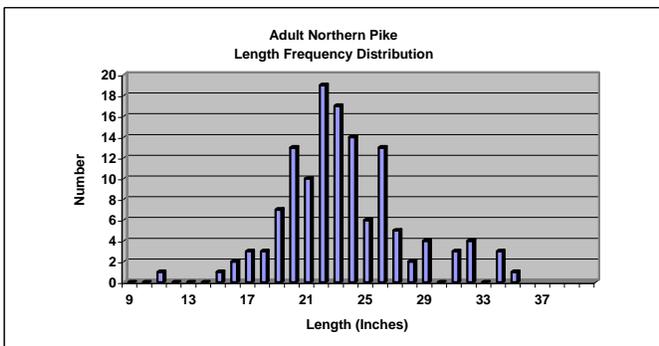
Largemouth Bass	
Total Captured	1,468
Avg. Length (in.)	11.1
Length Range (in.)	9-18
% >14"	13%



Smallmouth Bass	
Total Captured	194
Avg. Length (in.)	11.2
Length Range (in.)	10-13
% >14"	14%

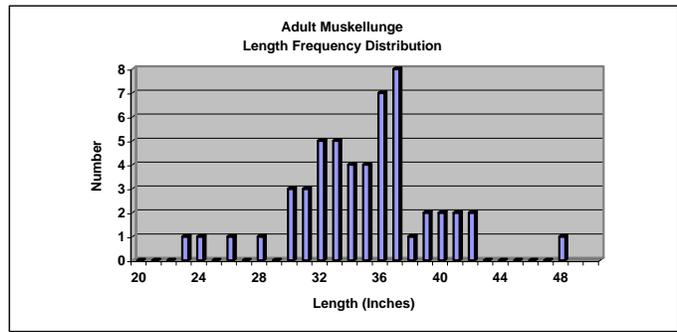


Northern Pike	
Total Captured	131
Avg. Length (in.)	23.4
Length Range (in.)	11-35
% >26"	27%





Muskellunge	
Total Captured	53
Avg. Length (in.)	34.8
Length Range (in.)	23-48
%>40"	13%



Other Species

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

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Sissabagama Lake this year. Creel clerk Brock Calmes 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	MUSKELLUNGE	1,000	11
1992	MUSKELLUNGE	619	9
1993	MUSKELLUNGE	668	12
1996	MUSKELLUNGE	719	12
1997	MUSKELLUNGE	364	12
1998	MUSKELLUNGE	100,000	1
1998	MUSKELLUNGE	172	13
1998	WALLEYE	650,000	0
2000	MUSKELLUNGE	360	12
2001	MUSKELLUNGE	359	11
2003	MUSKELLUNGE	358	12
2005	MUSKELLUNGE	359	0
2005	MUSKELLUNGE	359	11
2007	MUSKELLUNGE	240	12
2008	WALLEYE	25,374	2
2009	MUSKELLUNGE	359	10
2009	WALLEYE	25,481	2

General Fishing Regulations for Sissabagama Lake, Sawyer County, 2010

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 01-March 06	2	15" MINIMUM
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	May 01-March 06	5	14" MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 29-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 01-March 06	5	NO MINIMUM

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:

For answers to questions about fisheries management activities and plans for Sissabagama Lake, Sawyer County contact:

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