



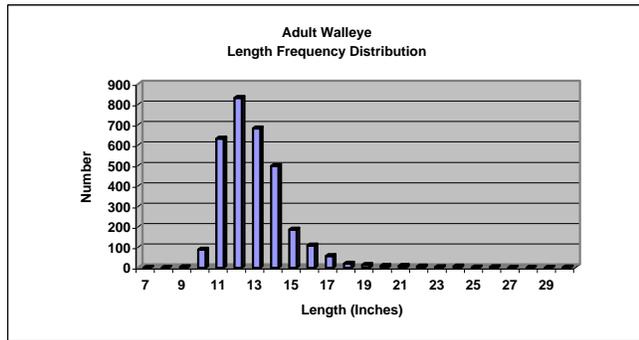
**WISCONSIN DNR  
FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET  
TRUDE LAKE, IRON COUNTY, 2009**

The Department of Natural Resources conducted a fisheries assessment of Trude Lake, Iron County, from April 22, 2009 to April 27, 2009.

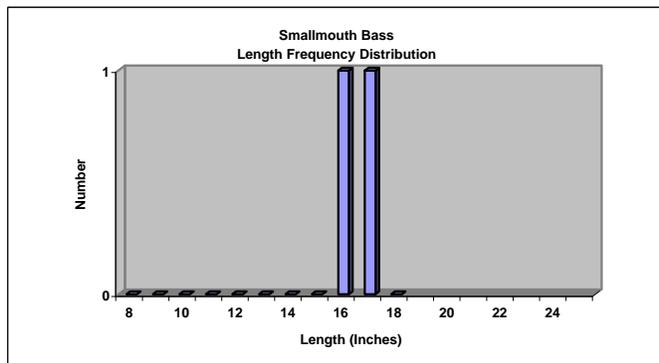
Trude Lake is in the Chippewa River basin. The walleye fishery is supported primarily through natural reproduction. The population estimate for adult walleye is greater than the average for area lakes with similar characteristics.



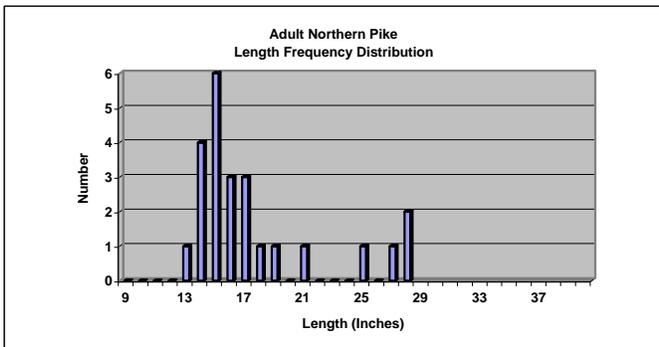
<b>Walleye</b>	
Total Captured	3,155
Avg. Length (in.)	12.9
Length Range (in.)	9-30
% >15"	13%



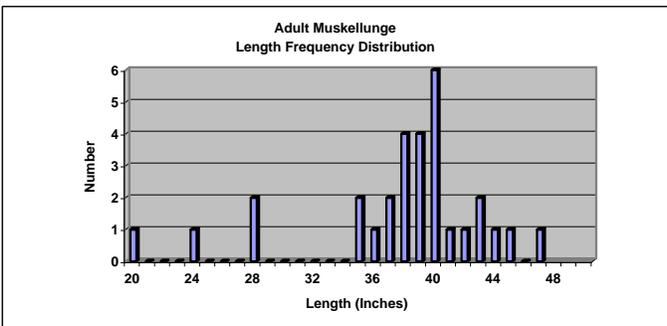
<b>Smallmouth Bass</b>	
Total Captured	2
Avg. Length (in.)	16.5
Length Range (in.)	16-17
% >14"	100%



<b>Northern Pike</b>	
Total Captured	24
Avg. Length (in.)	17.7
Length Range (in.)	13-28
% >26"	13%



<b>Muskellunge</b>	
Total Captured	30
Avg. Length (in.)	37.8
Length Range (in.)	20-47
% >40"	43%



### Other Species

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

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Trude Lake this year. DNR creel clerks will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

### **Stocking History**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Number Fish Stocked</b>	<b>Avg Fish Length (IN)</b>
1980	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	9
1981	MUSKELLUNGE	265	11
1982	MUSKELLUNGE	750	12
1983	MUSKELLUNGE	750	9
1984	MUSKELLUNGE	1,100	12
1985	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	9
1986	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	11
1987	MUSKELLUNGE	2,250	9
1988	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	9
1989	MUSKELLUNGE	758	11
1990	MUSKELLUNGE	750	13
1991	MUSKELLUNGE	1,560	12
1992	MUSKELLUNGE	1,560	11
1993	MUSKELLUNGE	3,124	12
1996	MUSKELLUNGE	1,560	11
1998	MUSKELLUNGE	792	12
2000	MUSKELLUNGE	781	11
2001	MUSKELLUNGE	390	11
2003	MUSKELLUNGE	390	10
2005	MUSKELLUNGE	390	11
2007	MUSKELLUNGE	390	12

### **General Fishing Regulations for Trude Lake, Iron County, 2009**

<b>FISH SPECIES</b>	<b>OPEN SEASON</b>	<b>DAILY LIMIT</b>	<b>MINIMUM LENGTH</b>
Walleye	May 02-March 07	3	NO MINIMUM
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	June 20-March 07	5	14" MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 23-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 02-March 07	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:

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