



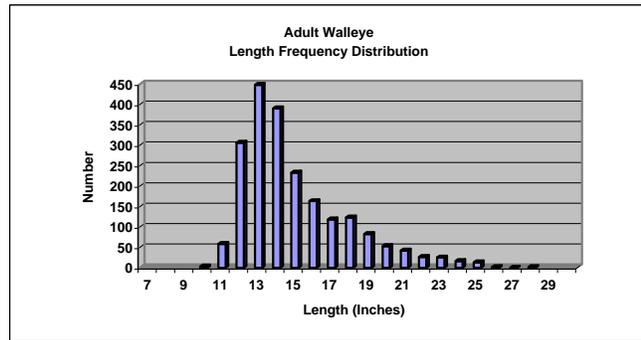
**WISCONSIN DNR
FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET
GRINDSTONE LAKE, SAWYER COUNTY, 2009**

The Department of Natural Resources conducted a fisheries assessment of Grindstone Lake, Sawyer County, from April 18, 2009 to May 01, 2009.

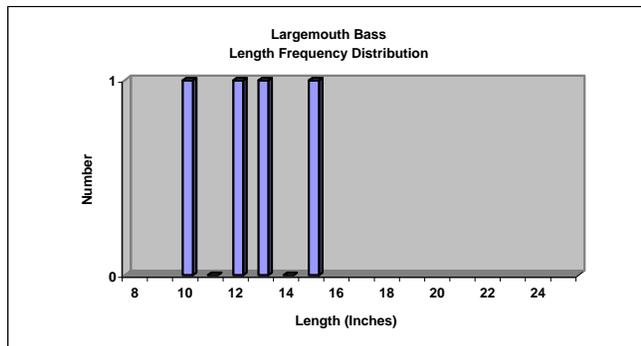
Grindstone Lake is a draingage lake in the Chippewa River basin. The walleye fishery is supported primarily through natural reproduction. The population estimate for adult walleye is slightly lower than the average for area lakes with similar characteristics. Sampling targetting largemouth and smallmouth bass occurred after this report was created.



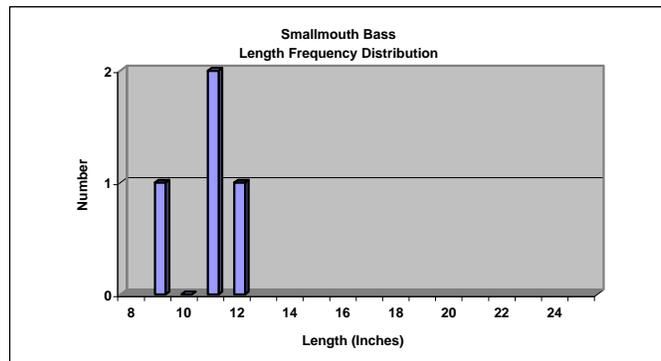
Walleye	
Total Captured	2,101
Avg. Length (in.)	14.9
Length Range (in.)	10-28
% >15"	43%



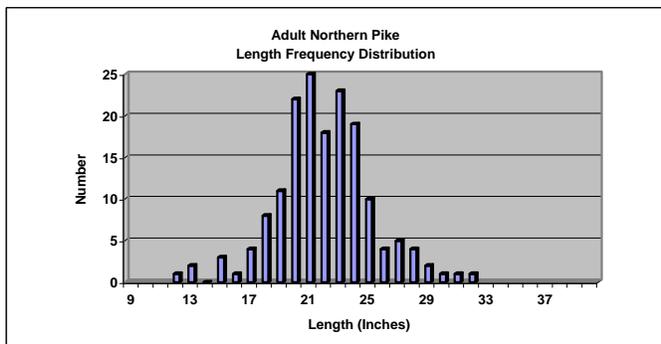
Largemouth Bass	
Total Captured	4
Avg. Length (in.)	12.5
Length Range (in.)	10-15
% >14"	25%



Smallmouth Bass	
Total Captured	4
Avg. Length (in.)	10.8
Length Range (in.)	9-12
% >14"	0%

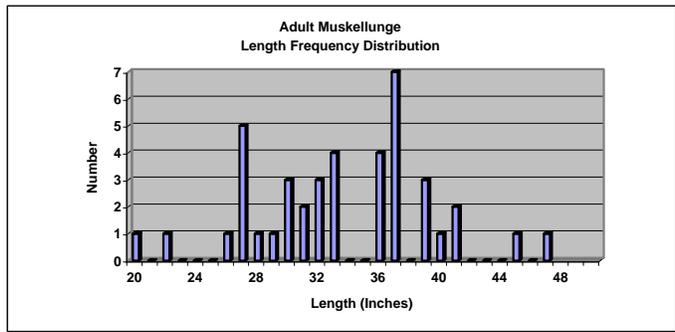


Northern Pike	
Total Captured	165
Avg. Length (in.)	21.9
Length Range (in.)	12-32
% >26"	11%





Muskellunge	
Total Captured	41
Avg. Length (in.)	33.5
Length Range (in.)	20-47
%>40"	12%



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 Grindstone Lake this year. Creel clerk Matt Kufahl will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

Stocking History

Year	Species	Number Fish Stocked	Avg Fish Length (IN)
1985	MUSKELLUNGE	490	9
1985	MUSKELLUNGE	4,000	11
1985	WALLEYE	50,040	3
1986	MUSKELLUNGE	1,732	10
1986	MUSKELLUNGE	268	11
1987	MUSKELLUNGE	3,000	9
1988	MUSKELLUNGE	4,510	10
1989	MUSKELLUNGE	1,000	9
1990	MUSKELLUNGE	1,000	11
1991	MUSKELLUNGE	3,300	11
1992	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	9
1993	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	12
1996	MUSKELLUNGE	1,501	12
1997	MUSKELLUNGE	750	12
2000	MUSKELLUNGE	1,500	12
2000	WALLEYE	100,000	0
2001	MUSKELLUNGE	3,011	11
2003	MUSKELLUNGE	2,499	11
2005	MUSKELLUNGE	1,881	12
2007	MUSKELLUNGE	1,755	12

General Fishing Regulations for Grindstone Lake, Sawyer County, 2009

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 02-March 07	2	NO MINIMUM, 1 >18", 14"-18" PROTECTED
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	June 20-March 07	5	14" MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 23-November 30	1	50" 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:

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

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