



# Lake Dockery 2017

## REEL FACTS

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**General Information:** Lake Dockery is a 44 acre lake, owned and operated by the city of Byram. The lake was renovated in 2010. It is part of the MDWFP Community Fishing Assistance Program (CFAP), providing fishing opportunities in an urban setting.

**Location:** Approximately ½ mile off Siwell Rd. in Byram, MS

**Fishery Management:** Largemouth Bass, bream, crappie, and catfish

**Purchase a Fishing License:** <http://www.mdwfp.com/license/fishing-license.aspx>

### Amenities

- 1 public boat ramp with parking lot
- Several park benches and picnic tables

### Creel and Size Limits

- Bream: 25 per day
- Catfish: 5 per day
- Crappie: 30 per day
- Largemouth Bass: 5 per day

### Forage Species

- Golden Shiners
- Crawfish

### Regulations

- Rod and reel or pole fishing is allowed. No trotlines, FFFD's, jugs, yo-yo's, limblines, throwlines, or set hooks are allowed.
- Sport fishing licenses are required except on designated days during National Fishing and Boating Week.
- Gasoline powered motors are prohibited. Only electric trolling motors may be used.
- Lake Dockery is open from 30 minutes before dawn to 30 minutes before sunset.

### Fishing Tips

#### Bream

- Fish crickets, red wigglers, and wax worms in shallow areas during late spring and summer.

#### Catfish

- Try tightlining liver or blood scented bait along the dam and water control structure.

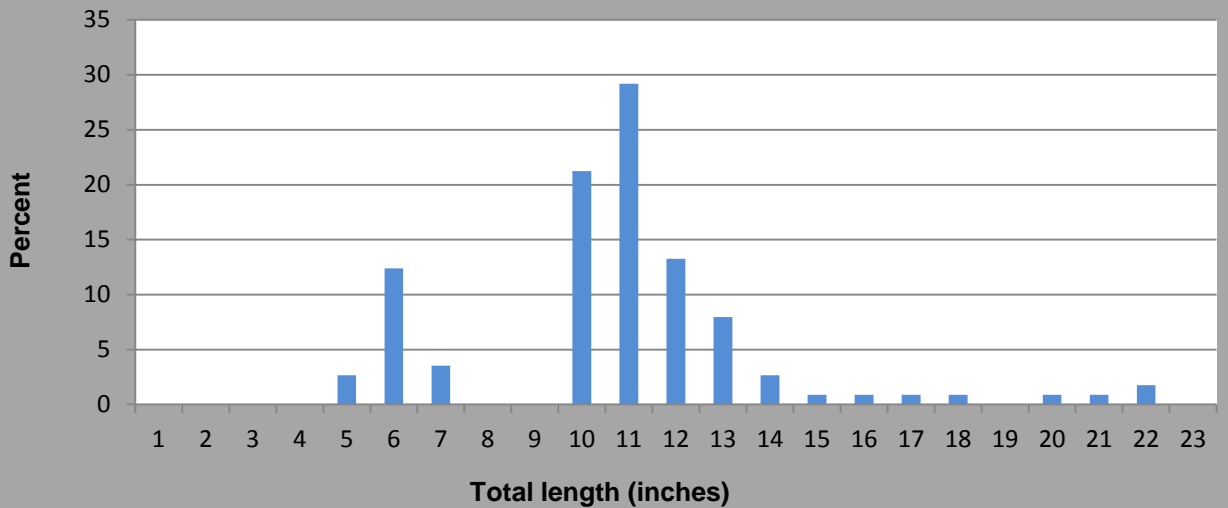
#### Crappie

- Target brush and laydowns in the middle of the lake with jigs and minnows. The water control structure is another popular spot.

#### Largemouth Bass

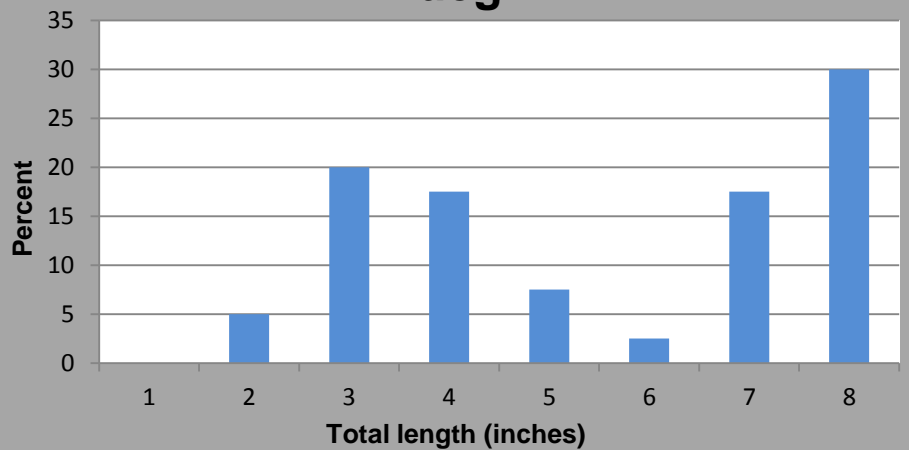
- Fish around brush and trees with junebug or green pumpkin colored soft plastics. Topwater baits and soft stick baits are good choices around lily pads.

## Largemouth Bass



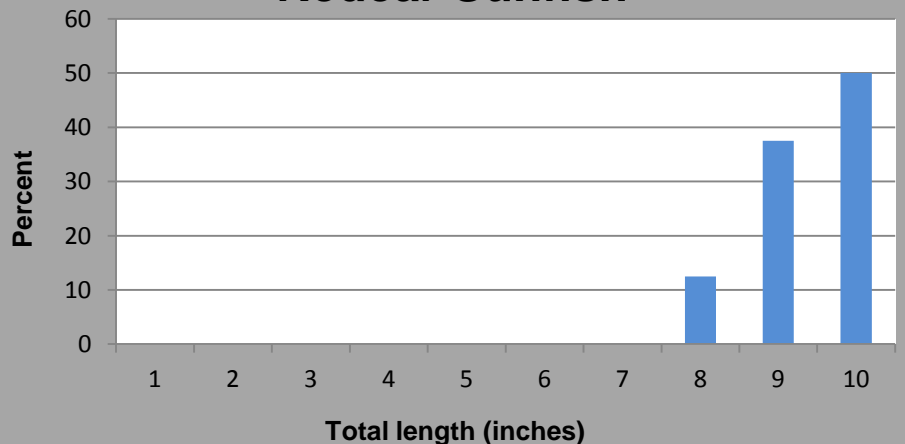
**Above:** Length distribution for Largemouth Bass collected during 2016 fall electrofishing. Numerous bass were collected between 10 and 13 inches.

## Bluegill



**Right:** Length distributions for Bluegill and Redear sunfish collected during 2016 fall electrofishing. Lake Dockery supports a healthy fish population with numerous bream between 8 and 10 inches.

## Redear Sunfish



Species	# of fish collected	% of sample	Average Length (inches)	Maximum Length (inches)	Catch Rate – Adult fish (fish/mile)
Largemouth Bass	113	68	10	22	50
Bluegill	40	24	5	8	16
Redear Sunfish	8	5	9	10	4
Channel Catfish	2	1	20	21	1
Green Sunfish	1	<1	3	3	-

**Above:** Results from the 2016 fall electrofishing survey conducted at Lake Dockery. Anglers should find an abundance of Largemouth Bass and bream at Lake Dockery, based on the results from fall surveys.

**Below:** Picturesque fishing opportunities can be found within the city limits of Byram.

