



Tombigbee State Park Lake 2018

REEL FACTS

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General Information: The 90-acre lake at Tombigbee State Park was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps between 1934-1938. Historically, the lake has boasted good bream and crappie populations. The lake has an overabundance of Largemouth Bass, and anglers are encouraged to harvest smaller bass.

Location: Approximately 6 miles east of Tupelo off Hwy 6, 3 miles on State Park Road.

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

Lake Depth Map: https://www.mdwfp.com/media/4672/tombigbee_sp.pdf

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

Amenities

- 1 public concrete boat ramp with courtesy pier.
- 2 handicap accessible fishing piers.
- 7 Cabins and 1 cottage
- Campground with 20 sites including water and electrical hookups. Primitive camping is also available.
- Children's playground.
- Sand volleyball court.
- Picnic areas with grills.
- Group camp.
- Restrooms and showers.
- 2 disc golf courses

Creel Regulations

- Largemouth Bass: 10 per day per angler.
- Crappie: 30 per day per angler.
- Bream: 100 per day per angler combined.
- Catfish: 10 per day per angler.

Regulations

- Fishing is not allowed from the courtesy pier adjacent to the boat ramp.
- Rod and reel fishing is allowed. No trotlines, FFFD's, jugs, yo-yo's, limblines, throwlines, or set hooks are allowed.
- The lake is designated as no wake.
- Licenses and permits are not required on designated free fishing days during National Fishing and Boating Week.
- Fishing licenses and permits may be purchased in the park office
- Contact the park office at (662) 842-7669.

Fishing Tips

Largemouth Bass

- Target main lake points with shakeyheads and Texas-rigged plastics.
- In the summer and fall, fish the weed edges with spinner baits, Texas-rigged plastics, and various topwater lures.

Crappie

- Fish sunken brush tops and laydowns.
- Target main lake points and deep weed edges with small jigs or live bait under a cork.

Bream

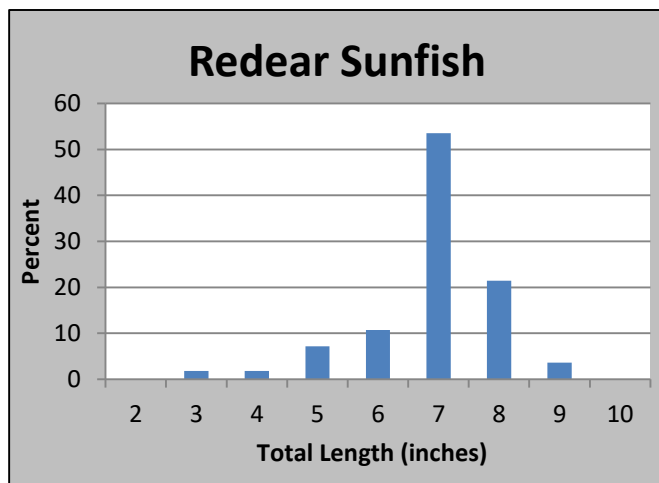
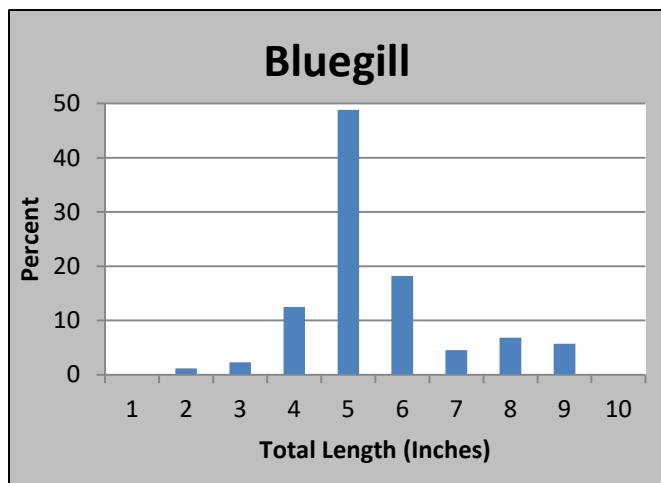
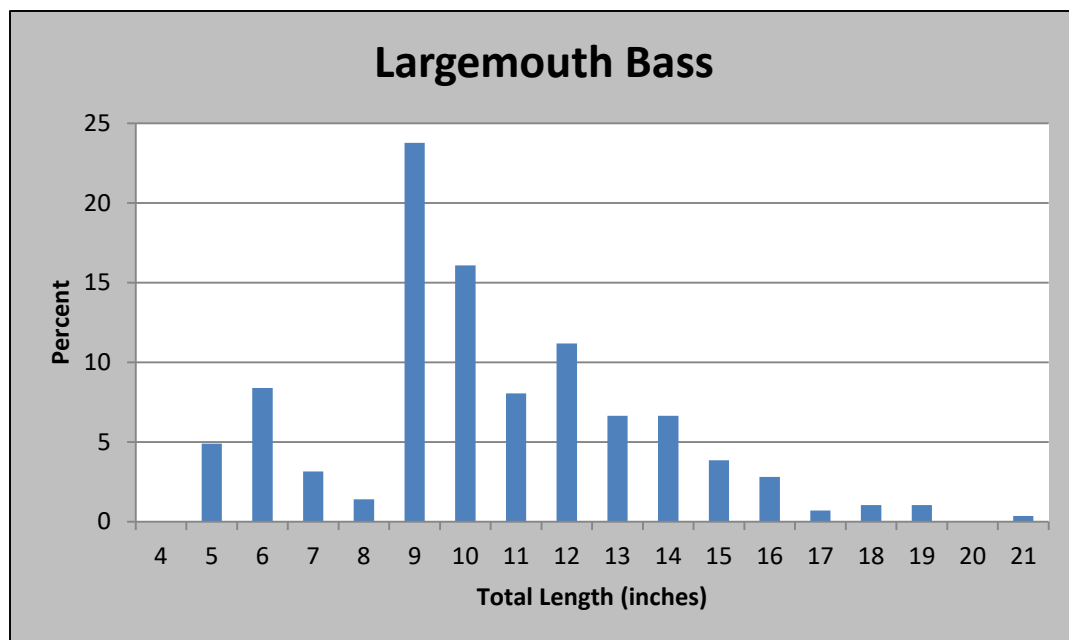
- Target coves with tightlined redworms, mealworms, and crickets.

Catfish

- Target main lake points with nightcrawlers, liver, or cutbait.
- Fish deep laydowns and brushtops on main lake .

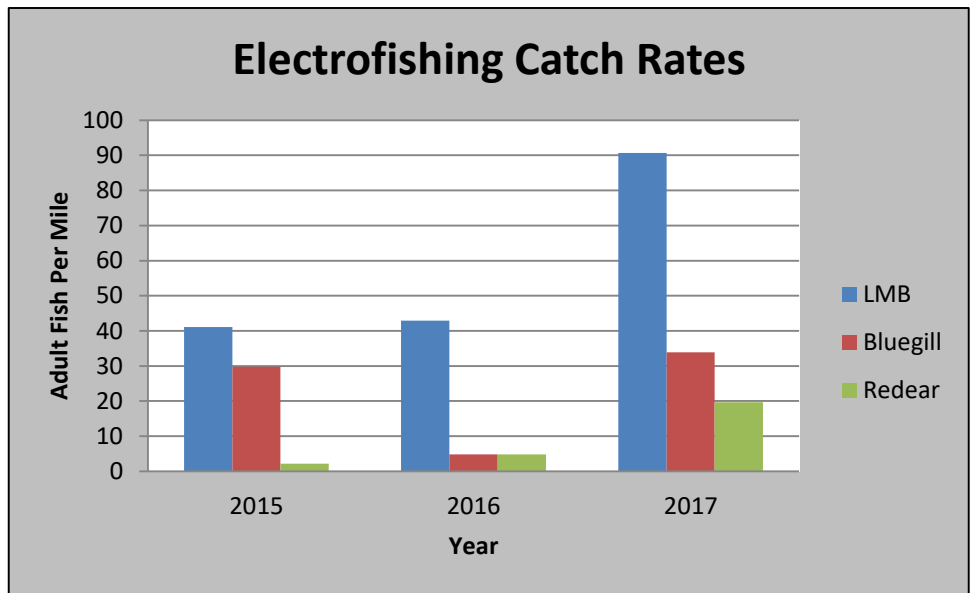
Below: Results from the 2017 fall electrofishing on Tombigbee State Park Lake. Boat electrofishing was completed during October with 5 random samples taken throughout the lake totaling 2.8 miles.

Species	# of Fish Sampled	% of Sample	Average Length	Maximum Length	Average Weight	Catch Rate
			inches	inches	pounds	Adult fish (fish/mile)
Largemouth Bass	286	66	10.0	20.3	0.6	111
Bluegill	88	21	5.0	8.6	0.2	34
Redear Sunfish	56	13	6.4	8.8	0.2	20
Bluegill/Redear Hybrid	1	-	6.6	6.6	0.2	0
Warmouth	1	-	1.9	1.9	-	0



Above: Length distributions for Largemouth Bass, Bluegill, and Redear Sunfish sampled during fall 2017 electrofishing.

Right: Electrofishing catch rates for adult Largemouth Bass, Bluegill, and Redear Sunfish. The high abundance of Largemouth Bass collected, suggests that angler harvest is necessary for the fish population to return to balance.



Year	Species	Number	Size
2018	Bluegill	70,000	1"
2017	Black Crappie	6,977	4"
2016	Triploid Grass Carp	500	11"
2015	Channel Catfish	5,000	3-5"
2015	Bluegill	31,850	1-3"
2015	Redear Sunfish	13,650	1-3"
2013	Triploid Crappie	2,000	2"
2013	Redear Sunfish	4,500	2"
2011	Grass Carp	550	8"
2008	Bluegill/Redear	4,500	1-3"

Left: Fish stocking records for Tombigbee State Park over the past 10 years.



Below: Even though Tombigbee State Park Lake is relatively small in acreage, the average depth is greater than most lakes in the region.

