



# Horseshoe Lake 2025

## REEL FACTS

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**General Information:** Horseshoe Lake is an 800-acre lake surrounded by agricultural land on all sides. The shoreline at Horseshoe lake is comprised mainly of cypress trees. Horseshoe lake is infested with water hyacinth, but a barrier system has been installed and MDWFP staff continue to treat and monitor this situation.

**Location:** Horseshoe lake is located 12 miles northeast of Belzoni and 30 miles south of Greenwood MS, off Hwy 49E in Holmes County.

**Fishery Management:** Crappie, Largemouth Bass, bream, and catfish.

**Purchase a Fishing License:** <https://www.ms.gov/mdwfp/licensing/login>

### Amenities

- 1 MDWFP public ramp

### Creel Limits

- 30 crappie per day
- 10 Largemouth Bass per day.
- 100 bream per day.
- No limit on catfish.

### Fish Stocking

#### 2023

Bluegill  
10,000

Redear Sunfish  
2,500

#### 2022

Bluegill  
188,000

Redear Sunfish  
64,000

Channel Catfish  
46,632

Largemouth Bass  
39,366

### Sportfishing Tips

#### Crappie

- In the spring, target shoreline areas with a jig or minnows, especially near cypress knees.

#### Largemouth Bass

- Target submerged structure, brush piles, and cypress knees.

#### Bream

- Use crickets or red worms in areas with structure or cypress knees in water less than 5 feet.

#### Catfish

- Fish on the bottom with nightcrawlers, chicken liver, or stink bait.



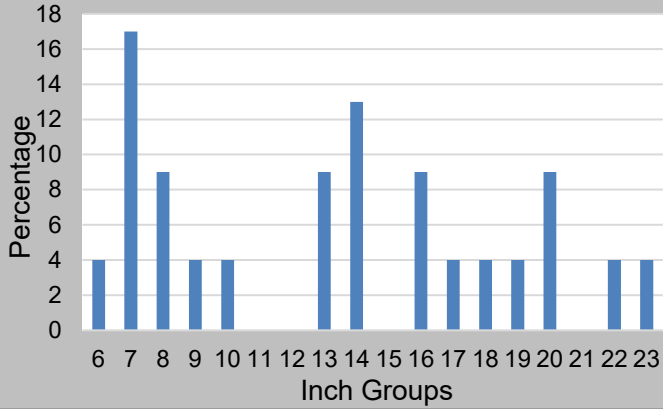
**Below:** Results from the 2023 electrofishing survey on Horseshoe lake. This lake is sampled by electrofishing every 1 to 2 years during the fall. Fish condition was high for all game fish species, indicating healthy, fast-growing fish.

Species	# of fish sampled	% of sample	Average Length (inches)	Maximum Length (inches)	Average Weight (pounds)	Catch Rate Adult Fish (fish/mile)
Largemouth Bass	24	49	13.6	22.9	2.3	7
Bluegill	7	14	5.6	7.1	0.2	2
Warmouth	6	12	4.4	5.8	0.1	2
Channel Catfish	4	8	20.3	26.2	4.5	1
White Crappie	4	8	5.2	7.0	0.1	1
Longear Sunfish	2	4	3.3	3.5	.	1
Orangespotted Sunfish	1	2	2.5	2.5	.	<1
Redear Sunfish	1	2	3.6	3.6	.	<1

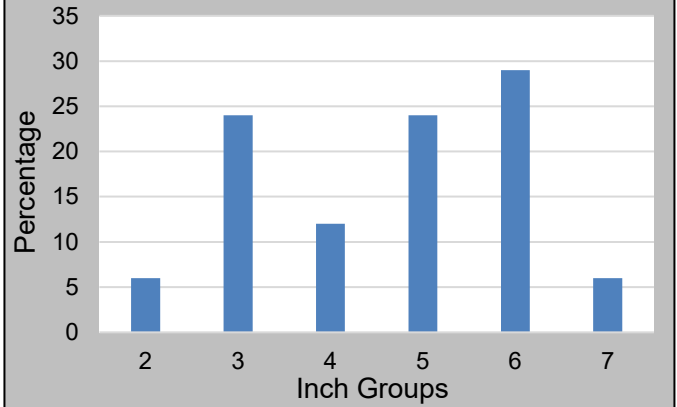


**Below:** Length distributions for sport fish and catfish from the 2023 electrofishing survey at Horseshoe Lake. These figures indicate a wide size distribution of each species, high numbers of catchable sized fish, and successful sport fish reproduction, all of which are signs of a healthy fish population.

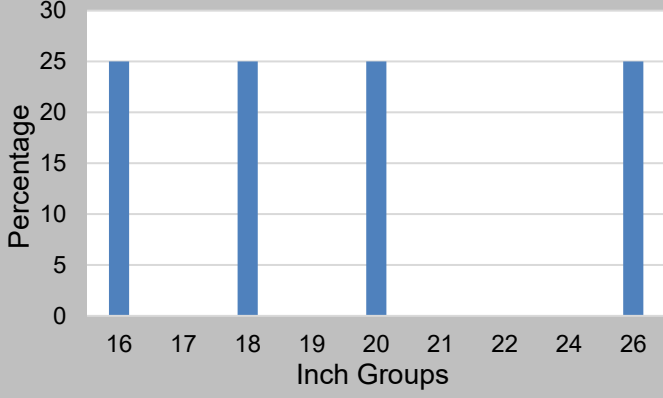
**Largemouth Bass**



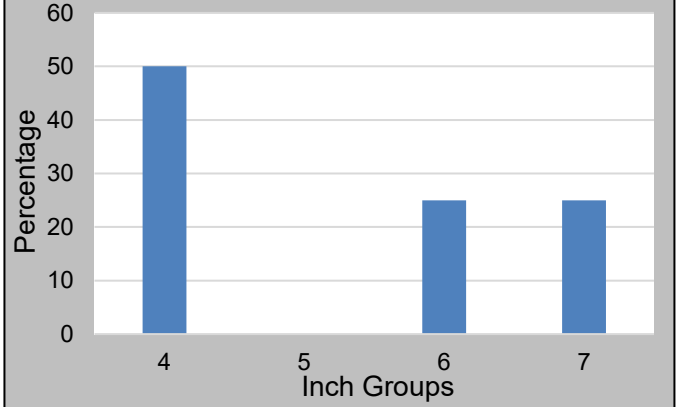
**Bream**



**Channel Catfish**



**Crappie**





**Below:** Map of water hyacinth on Horseshoe Lake. Currently efforts are being made by MDWFP staff to decrease the volume of water hyacinth on Horseshoe lake to open more water up for public use. .

