



Lake Lowndes State Park Lake 2025

REEL FACTS

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General Information: Lake Lowndes State Park Lake is 150 acres. Historically, the lake has boasted a good bream population. The lake has an overabundance of Largemouth Bass, and anglers are encouraged to harvest smaller bass.

Location: Approximately 10 miles southeast of Columbus off Hwy 69, 3.5 miles on Lake Lowndes Road.

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

Purchase a Fishing License: https://www.ms.gov/mdwfp/hunting_fishing/

Amenities

- 1 concrete boat ramp
- 1 handicap accessible fishing pier
- 6 Cabins and 2 cottages
- Campground with 50 sites with water and electrical hookups.
- Laundry facility
- Picnic areas with grills
- Pavilion
- Gymnasium
- Restrooms and showers
- 6 tennis courts
- 3 softball fields
- 1 football field
- 1 disc golf course
- Hiking, biking, and horse trails

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

- Rod and reel fishing is allowed. No trotlines, FFFD's, jugs, yo-yo's, limblines, throwlines, or set hooks are allowed.
- Sport fishing licenses and fishing permits are required except on designated days during National Fishing and Boating Week.
- Skiing is allowed in designated areas on weekends and holidays only.
- PFD's are required.

Fishing Tips

Largemouth Bass

- Target laydowns and near shore cover with spinnerbaits, swimbaits, and shakeyheads.
- In the summer and fall, target the creek channels with Texas/Carolina-rigged plastics, crankbaits, and jigs during the day. During twilight hours, target the flats with various topwater lures.

Crappie

- Fish around sunken brush tops and laydowns.
- Target the deeper creek channels with small jigs, or live bait under a cork.

Bream

- Target coves and fish around cover with tigtined redworms and crickets.

Catfish

- Fish creek channels and deeper laydowns with nightcrawlers or cutbait.

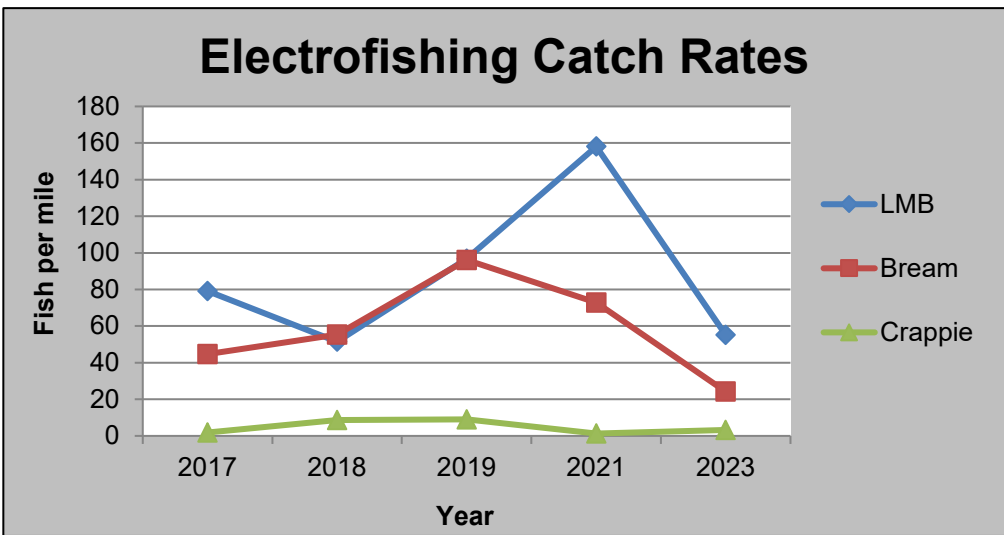
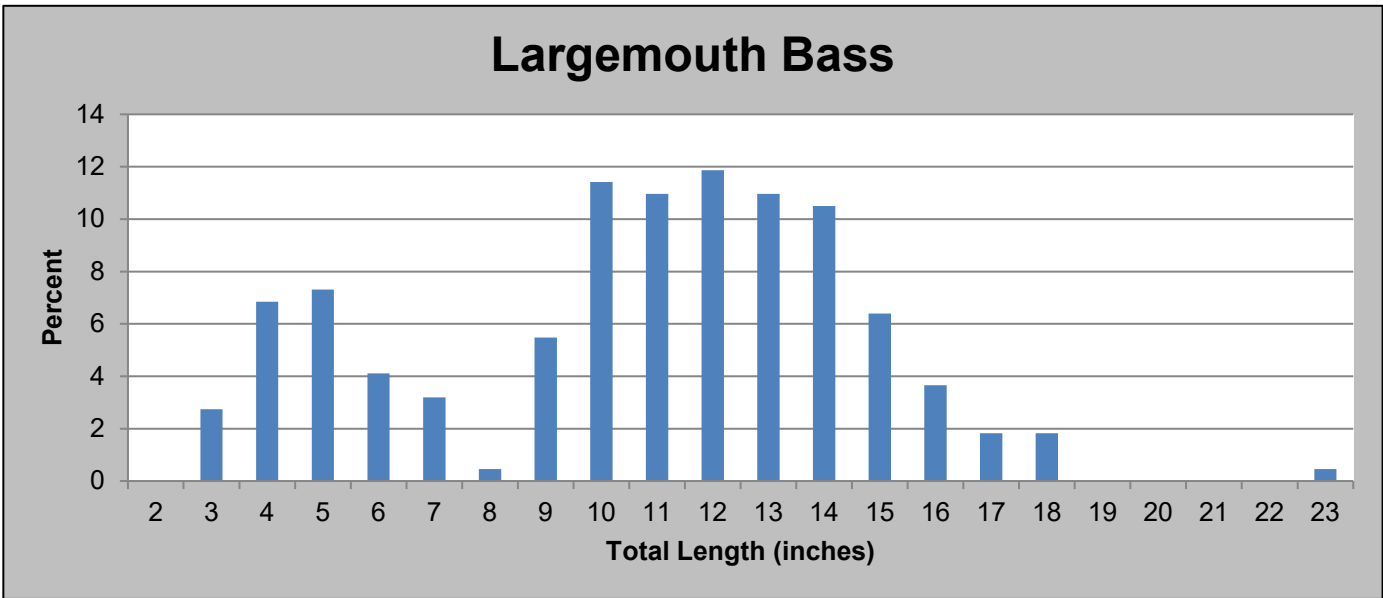
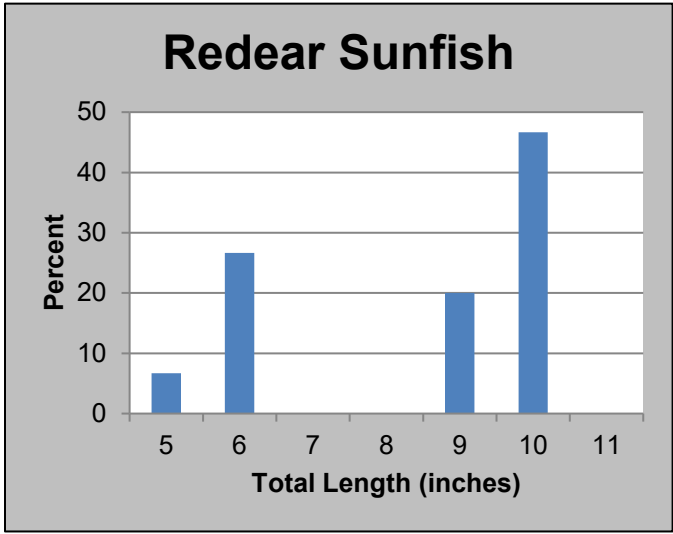
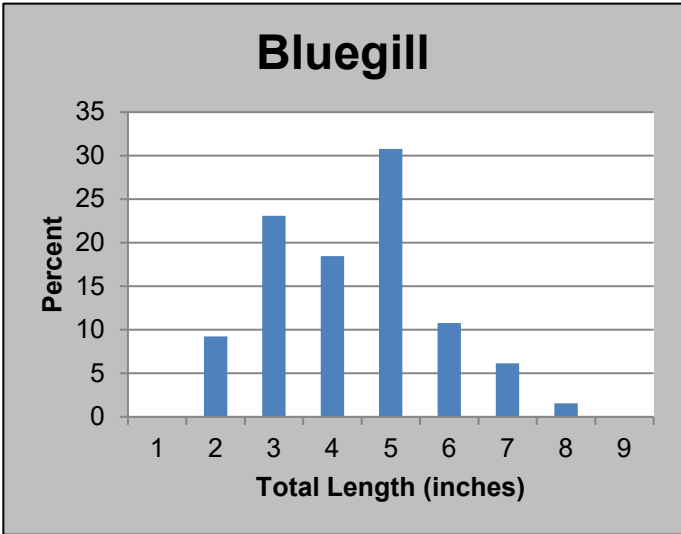
Below: Results from the 2023 fall electrofishing survey on Lake Lowndes. Sampling was completed in October along 2.8 miles of shoreline.

Species	# of Fish Sampled	% of Sample	Average Length inches	Maximum Length Inches	Average Weight pounds	Catch Rate Adult fish (fish/mile)
Largemouth Bass	219	61	11.1	23.2	1.1	55
Bluegill	65	18	4.9	8.0	0.2	19
Gizzard Shad	48	13	10.8	15.0	-	17
Redear Sunfish	15	4	8.8	10.9	0.5	5
Black Crappie	6	2	11.4	12.6	0.9	2
White Crappie	4	1	11.8	13.8	1.0	1
Channel Catfish	1	0	31.5	31.5	13.9	0.3
Warmouth	1	0	4.7	4.7	-	0.3

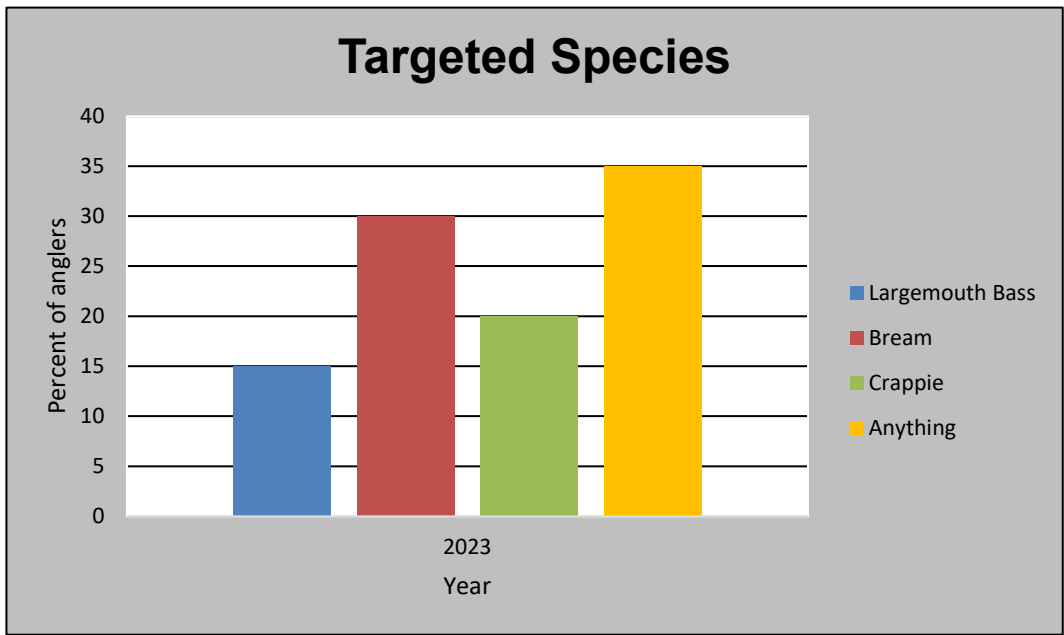


Above: Lake Lowndes State Park offers guests opportunities to view some of Mississippi's natural beauty. The picture above shows a beautiful sunrise over the lake.

Below: Length distributions for Bluegill, Redear Sunfish, and Largemouth Bass collected during the fall 2023 electrofishing survey.



Left: Catch rates during fall electrofishing surveys at Lake Lowndes. Bream includes both Bluegill and Redear Sunfish. Crappie includes both Black Crappie and White Crappie.



Above: Percentage of anglers targeting Largemouth Bass, bream (Bluegill and Redear Sunfish), and crappie at Lake Lowndes based on spring creel surveys. “Anything” refers to anglers who weren’t targeting a particular species.



Below: Angler catch rates (fish per hour) and average harvested lengths based on spring creel surveys.

