



2010 Fishing Forecast

East Branch Reservoir



Geauga County
402 Acres- electric motors only

Compared to Other Inland Lakes and Reservoirs

Species	FISH POPULATION STATUS			Stocked	Anglers Seeking(%)
	Overall Numbers	This size or Larger	Largest Sampled		
Largemouth Bass	Poor	12"	21.3"	<input type="checkbox"/>	49.5
Crappie	Fair	8"	11.1"	<input type="checkbox"/>	7.7
Sunfish	Excellent	6"	7.2"	<input type="checkbox"/>	12.9
White Perch	Poor	8"		<input type="checkbox"/>	0.0

Largemouth Bass **OUTLOOK: GOOD**

Largemouth bass were sampled by electrofishing during spring 2004. A relatively small number of bass exceeded 12". However, good numbers of 15" to 20" fish did show up in these surveys.

Crappie **OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT**

White crappie were sampled during fall 2004 trap-netting surveys. A moderate number of white crappie exceeded 8". Some fish made it to 10" and longer. Crappie averaged 10.5", based on 2007 creel survey results.

Sunfish **OUTLOOK: GOOD**

Bluegill were sampled by electrofishing during spring 2007. Nearly 52% of bluegill sampled measured 6"+. Harvested bluegill averaged 6.9".

White Perch **OUTLOOK: POOR**

This nuisance species now has become firmly established at East Branch Reservoir due to either intentional or unintentional release by anglers. White perch compete with other species, such as bluegill and yellow perch for food. White perch average only around 5".

NOTES:

Wheelchair accessible shoreline fishing facilities are available. East Branch Reservoir is owned by the City of Akron (330-678-0077), with its land being managed by the Geauga County Park District. The fisheries resources are managed by the Division of Wildlife through an agreement with the City of Akron.