

**MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF FISHERIES**

Angler ("creel") Survey Summary for Spring Lake, December 1998 through September 1999

DOW ID Number: 70-0054	County: Scott	Lake Class: 24	Lake Area: 580 Acres	Survey Period: 12/29/98 - 9/30/99
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Fishing pressure (Angler-hours)	56,330	Number of angling trips	15,066
Angler Hours per Acre	97.1	% Use: Winter / Open-Water	29% / 71%
% Fish Catch: Winter/Open-Water	18% / 82%	% Harvest: Winter/Open-Water	14% / 86%

What People Fished for:	Percent of Angling Parties
Crappie	34
Bluegill / Sunfish	34
Walleye	14
Northern Pike	8
(Largemouth) Bass	4
Yellow Perch	4

Species/Type Caught	Fish Harvested				Fish Released		
	Number	Pounds	Average		Number	Average	
			Length (in)	weight (lb)		Length (in)	weight (lb)
Sunfish	43,660	14,035	6.7	0.2	23,506	5.4	0.1
Crappie (both species)	15,478	5,886	8.8	0.4	7,901	6.3	0.1
Yellow perch	5,511	1,119	7.5	0.2	10,574	5.8	0.1
Northern pike	630	2,103	24.2	3.6	272	22.6	3.0
Walleye	419	1,015	14.2	1.1	464	12.0	0.6
Bullhead	198	184	11.2	0.8	35	10.9	0.8
Largemouth bass	177	280	13.6	1.7	1,653	13.4	1.6
Common carp	46	592	26.9	9.5	0		
All species	66,119	25,214			44,405		

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Angler ("creel") Survey Summary for Spring Lake, Winter 1998-99

DOW ID Number: 70-0054	County: Scott	Lake Class: 24	Lake Area: 580 Acres	Survey Period: 12/29/98 - 3/23/99
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Fishing pressure (Angler-hours)	16,396	Weekdays surveyed	32
Angler Hours per Acre	28.3	Weekend/Holidays surveyed	26
Average Party Size (all anglers)	1.7	Number of interviews	355
Average Trip Length (hours)	3.9	Estimated number angler trips	4,161

What People Fished for:	Percent of Angling Parties
Crappie	43
Northern pike	17
Bluegill / Sunfish	16
Walleye	12
Yellow perch	12

Type/Species Caught	Fish Harvested				Fish Released		
	Number	Pounds	Average		Number	Average	
			Length (in)	weight (lb)		Length (in)	weight (lb)
Yellow perch	4,516	911	7.9	0.2	8,147	5.8	0.1
Crappie	2,311	871	9.0	0.4	700	7.1	0.2
Sunfish	2,090	540	7.2	0.3	1,727	5.5	0.2
Northern pike	400	1,396	22.5	3.5	74	20.7	2.3
Walleye	84	77	12.7	0.9	45	11.1	0.5
Carp	46	592	32.0	13.0	0		
Bullhead	7	11	14.5	1.6	0		
Largemouth bass	0				12	9.8	-
All species	9,454				10,705		

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Angler ("creel") Survey Summary for Spring Lake, Open-Water Season 1999

DOW ID Number: 70-0054	County: Scott	Lake Class: 24	Lake Area: 580 Acres	Survey Period: 5/1/99 - 9/30/99
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Fishing pressure (Angler-hours / hr per acre)	39,934 / 68.8	Weekdays surveyed	31
Non-fishing boat pressure (hours/hr per acre)	21,499 / 37.1	Weekend/Holidays surveyed	22
Average Party Size (all anglers)	2.2	Number of interviews	211
Average Trip Length (hours)	4.0	Estimated number angler trips	10,008

What People Fished for:	Percent of Angling Parties
Bluegill / Sunfish	42
Crappie	31
Walleye	15
(Largemouth) Bass	5
Northern pike	4
No preference / "Anything"	2

Species/Type Caught	Fish Harvested				Fish Released		
	Number	Pounds	Average		Number	Average	
			Length (in)	weight (lb)		Length (in)	weight (lb)
Sunfish	41,570	13,495	7.2	0.3	21,779	5.8	0.1
Crappie	13,167	5,015	8.9	0.4	7,201	7.5	0.2
Yellow perch	995	208	7.8	0.2	2,467	6.0	0.1
Walleye	335	938	18.8	2.8	419	12.8	0.7
Northern pike	230	708	23.7	3.1	198	20.3	2.3
Bullhead	191	173	11.3	0.9	35	13.6	0.8
Largemouth bass	177	280	14.1	1.6	1,641	10.6	1.0
All species (possible rounding errors)	56,665	20,816			33,700		