



LAKE MAROON AUSTRALIAN BASS AND GOLDEN PERCH 2011-2020 2020 REVIEW

Stocked fish numbers, tagged and recaptured fish, catch rates, fish sizes, growth, survival, locations and recapture fisher postcodes

The following dashboard provides a summary of Australian Bass and Golden Perch data from Lake Maroon covering the past 10 years.

Summary

- Dam level at the 31 Dec 2020 was 49.3%
- From 2011-2018 there were 216.7K Bass and 210.1K Golden Perch fingerlings released
- The number of fingerlings released was roughly the same but there were 1,446 Bass tagged for 68 recaptures (4.7%) while there were just 26 Golden Perch tagged for 0 recaptures
- The catch rate for Bass in 2020 was 8.2 fish/fisher day while the 10 year average historic catch rate was 9.8 fish/fisher day
- The average length for Bass in 2020 was 321mm and ranged from 235-500mm
- The percentage of legal Bass in 2020 was 72.4% with 0.6% trophy fish 500mm and over
- Annual growth for Bass calculated from tag recaptures at the end of year 1 was 21mm and at the end of year 5 was 53mm
- Longest time out for a Bass after tagging is mostly around 12 years however 1 fish was recaptured after 19.4 years
- Over the past 10 years most fish have been tagged in LMM map grids D3, C3 and B4
- Of the Bass tagged since 2011 there were 68 fish recaptured over the past 10 years and none have been recaptured outside the impoundment
- Over the past 10 years most postcodes of fishers recapturing fish are 4310 (Boonah area), 4305 (Ipswich) and 4280 (Jimboomba area)
- No fish have been recaptured by fishers with postcodes outside Queensland

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LAKE MAROON	LOCATION	BATHYMETRY
	Coral Sea	
MEASURE	ACTUAL	GRAPH
Surface area Lake level	Surface area 3.1km ² Level at 31 Dec 2020 49.3% For latest level <u>https://www.seqwater.com.</u> <u>au/historic-dam-levels</u>	FULL
Fingerlings stocked 2011-2018	HIGHEST LOWEST TOTAL BASS 2015 2016 65.3K 0 216.7K GOLDEN PERCH 2015 2016 59.2K 0 210.1K	MAROON STOCKED FISH
Bass tagged and recaptured 2011-2020	TAGGEDRECAPTURED144668RECAPTURE RATE4.7%	MAROON BASS TAGGED AND RECAPTURED
Golden Perch tagged and recaptured 2011-2020	TAGGED RECAPTURED 26 0 RECAPTURE RATE 0%	MAROON GOLDEN PERCH TAGGED AND RECAPTURED
Postcodes of recapture fishers 2011-2020	Recaptures125POSTCODEFISHERS43102143051642806OTHER STATESNILNo code15	

LAKE MAROON		AUSTRALIAN BASS
Catch and effort number of fish fisher days T20 taggers 2011-2020	HIGHESTLOWESTNOWCATCH201320182020269128156EFFORT201120192020281219	MAROON BASS 30 20 5 10 5 0 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 FISH FREADAYS
Catch rate Fish/fisher day 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW 2019 2011 2020 11.3 7.7 8.2 10 YEAR AVERAGE 9.8	MAROON BASS CATCH RATE
Average length (mm) Bars show smallest and largest fish 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW AVERAGE LENGTH 2020 2012 2018 2020 337 296 321 LARGEST 2015 2011 2020 520 410 500	MAROON BASS AVERAGE LENGTH 600.0 50
Fish length percentage (%) Undersize <300mm Legal 300-499mm Trophy 500+mm 2011-2020	HIGHESTLOWESTNOWLEGAL20122018202084.651.672.4TROPHY2015201920201.000.6	MAROON BASS LENGTHS
Bass growth based on recaptures 2011-2020	Recaptures100ANNUAL GROWTHYear 121mmYear 235mmYear 343mmYear 449mmYear 553mm	MAROON BASS GROWTH

Bass survival based on recaptures by years out after tagging	Survival rate by years outYearRecaptures11675691013131Longest time out (years)19.41	BASS SURVIVAL MAROON BASS SURVIVAL MAROON BB0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0 B0
Grid locations of tagged fish (map LMM) 2011-2020	Grids where most fish caughtGRIDFISHD3354C3293B4263	
Bass movements 2011-2020	Recaptures 68 Recaptured same area 41 (60.3%) Outside lake 0	MAROON BASS MOVEMENTS

LAKE MAROON			GOLDEN PERCH
MEASURE	ACTUAL		GRAPH or MAP
All measures 2011-2020	Insufficient data Fish recorded 30		
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Data sources

Data used in the Impoundment Crystal Bowl are:

- Tag records and recapture records for the impoundment at http://crystalbowl.infofishaustralia.com.au/
- Dam level data from SEQwater at https://www.seqwater.com.au/historic-dam-levels
- Stocked fish records from https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/queensland-freshwater-fish-stocking-records/
- Bathymetric data from Infofish surveys or other sources

Basis for analysis

- Catch rates calculated as number of fish tagged/fisher/day for T20 fishers (taggers) with a minimum of 12 fisher days (at least 1 per month) to provide a reliable catch rate
- Undersized fish are <300mm, legal fish are >=300 and <500mm and trophy fish are >=500mm
- Growth calculated using logarithmic curve from recaptures where fish were out for 90 days or more and had positive growth
- Locations based on Infofish grid map LMM for the impoundment and other grid maps where fish were recaptured outside the impoundment
- Survival rates are calculated based on a model that uses the reduction in the numbers of recaptures each year after tagging