



<u>LAKE WIVENHOE</u> <u>AUSTRALIAN BASS AND GOLDEN PERCH 2011-2020</u> 2020 REVIEW

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

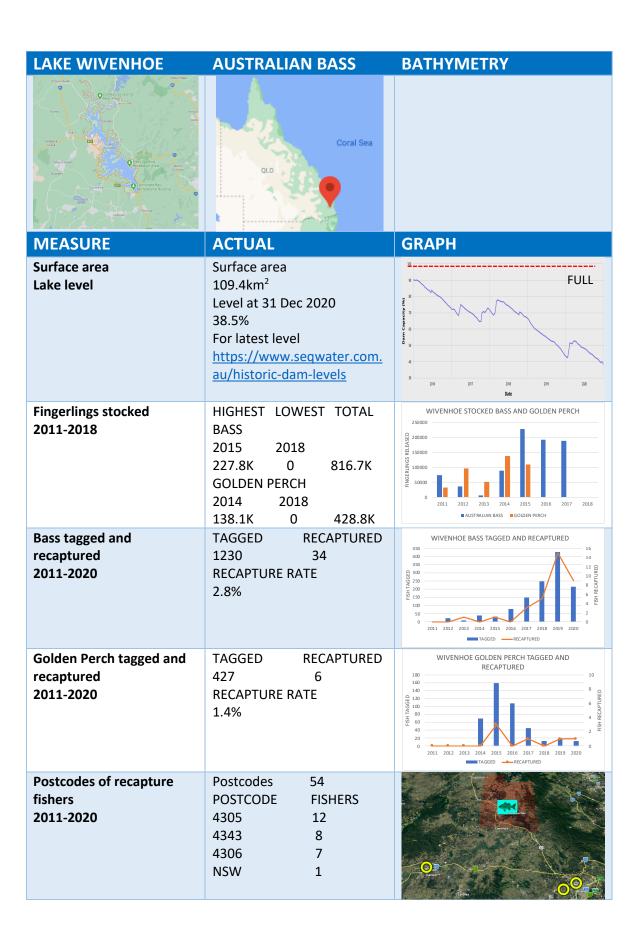
The following dashboard provides a summary of Australian Bass and Golden Perch data from Lake Wivenhoe covering the past 10 years.

Summary

- Dam level at the 31 Dec 2020 was 38.5%
- From 2011-2018 there have been 816.7K Bass and 428.8K Golden Perch fingerlings stocked
- Over the past 10 years there have been 1,230 Bass tagged for 34 recaptures (2.8%) and 427 Golden Perch tagged for 6 recaptures (1.4%)
- In 2020 the catch rate for Bass was 11.4 fish/fisher day which is well above the average historic catch rate of 6.8 fish/fisher day while for Golden Perch it was 0.8 fish/fisher day and below the average historical catch rate of 2.4 fish/fisher day
- The average Bass length in 2020 was 312mm and ranged from 230-520mm while for Golden Perch it was 464mm and ranged from 410-520mm (however low fish numbers)
- In 2020 the percentage of legal Bass was 39.4% with 0.5% trophy fish over 500mm while for Golden Perch the percentage of legal fish was 100% with no undersized fish tagged in the past 10 years
- Annual Bass growth calculated from a limited number of tag recaptures at the end of year 1
 was 45mm and at the end of year 5 was 95mm
- Over the past 10 years most Bass were tagged in LWH map grids P30, P31, Q31, O27 and P29 close to Billies Bay while most Golden Perch were tagged in grids L8, J10 and F18 up the top end of the lake
- Of the 34 recaptured of Bass tagged over the past 10 years none have been recaptured outside the lake
- Of the 6 recaptures of Golden Perch tagged over the past 10 years 1 was recaptured in the Brisbane River 38km above where it was tagged
- Over the past 10 years most postcodes of fishers recapturing fish are 4305 (Ipswich), 4306 (Amberley area) and 4343 (Gatton area)
- Only 1 fish has been recaptured by a fisher (from NSW) with a postcode outside Queensland

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LAKE WIVENHOE

AUSTRALIAN BASS





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MEASURE	ACTUAL	GRAPH
Catch and effort number of fish fisher days T20 fishers 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW CATCH 2019 2015 2020 441 34 216 EFFORT 2019 2014 2020 33 19 19	WIVENHOE BASS 500 450 450 450 450 450 450 450 450 45
Catch rate Fish/fisher day 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW CATCH RATE 2019 2015 2020 13.4 1.0 11.4 10 YEAR AVERAGE 6.8	WIVENHOE BASS CATCH RATE 150 140 210 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020
Average length (mm) Bars show smallest and largest fish 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW AVERAGE LENGTH 2015 2018 2020 413 342 312 LARGEST 2016 2017 2020 560 530 520	WIVENHOE BASS AVERAGE LENGTH 600.0 TROPHY WM 400.0 LEGAL 100.0 0.0 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020
Fish lengths percentage Undersize <300mm Legal 300-499mm Trophy 500+mm 2011-2020	HIGHEST LOWEST NOW LEGAL 2015 2018 2020 97.1 60.7 39.4 TROPHY 2019 2015 2020 9.8 2.9 0.5	WIVENHOE BASS LENGTHS 100% 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 20% 10% 0% 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020
Bass growth based on recaptures (limited data) 2011-2020 Bass survival based on recaptures by years out	Recaptures 29 ANNUAL GROWTH Year 1 45mm Year 2 66mm Year 3 79mm Year 4 88mm Year 5 95mm Insufficient data as tagging has not continued for a long enough time and the number of recaptures is too low	WIVENHOE BASS GROWTH 250 y = 47.265in(x) - 236.15 W 1100 500 0 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 4000

Grid locations of tagged	Grids where most fish caught	
fish (map LWH)	GRID FISH	
2011-2020	P30 191	Lake Whenbee
	P31 121	
	Q31 118	
	O27 69	
	P29 52	Stivention Hill
Bass movements	Recaptures 34	WIVENHOE BASS MOVEMENT
2011-2020	Recaptured same area	10 8
	18 (52.9%)	2 E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E
	Moved down lake	Q 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
	8 (23.5%)	VI.96 -6
	Moved up lake	-12 DAYS OUT (YEARS)
	9 (26.5%)	• UP LAKE • DOWN LAKE
	Outside lake	
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Golden Perch growth based on recaptures 2011-2020	Insufficient data Recaptures 6	
Golden Perch survival based on recaptures by years out	Insufficient data as tagging has not continued for a lon enough time and the number of recaptures is to low	g

Grid locations of tagged fish (map LWH) 2011-2020	L8 6	: fish caught FISH 66 44 30	
Golden Perch movements 2011-2020	Recaptures Recaptured same 2 (33.3%) Up lake Do 2 Above lake 1	6 area own lake 0	WIVENHOE GOLDEN PERCH MOVEMENTS 40 40 20 20 20 20 365 730 1095 1,660 DAYS OUT (YEARS) *UPLAKE * DOWNLAKE * ABOVE LAKE
Golden Perch recaptured above lake	Recaptures 1 Moved up Brisbar 38km	ne River	Tagestan Care Care Care Care Care Care Care Care
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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 LWH 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 number of recaptures each year after tagging