



CARBONDALE CITY RESERVOIR

2018 FISHERIES FACT SHEET

LOCATION: Carbondale City Reservoir is located in Jackson County on the south side of Carbondale at Evergreen Park. **No gas motors** are allowed on Carbondale City Reservoir.

DESCRIPTION: Facilities at this 135 acre lake include a boat launch and bathroom. This lake is adjacent to Evergreen Park which includes playground and picnic areas.

STATUS OF THE SPORT FISHERY – The following is a brief summary of the major sport fish species based on annual fish population surveys conducted by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Largemouth Bass – The largemouth bass population in this lake is poor. During the 2017 spring electrofishing sample, largemouth bass were collected at a rate of 66 fish per hour. Of the 33 bass collected, 21% were over 15 inches, 21% were over 16 inches, and 6% were over 18 inches. Although anglers will typically not catch large numbers of bass in this lake there are a few bigger bass present.

Crappie – The crappie population is stunted but a few larger fish are present. Of the 27 crappie collected in the 2017 spring survey only 2 were over ten inches. Both black and white crappie are present in the lake. Anglers are encouraged to harvest all crappie caught regardless of size to help thin out the population and increase the average size.

Bluegill Sunfish – The bluegill population is stunted and poor. No bluegill over 8 inches were collected in the 2017 spring survey. Only one bluegill over 7 inches was collected.

Redear Sunfish – One 7-inch redear sunfish was collected in the 2017 spring survey. This was the first redear sunfish collected in the last 4 surveys.

Channel Catfish – The channel catfish population is average at best. No channel catfish were collected in the 2017 spring survey but channel catfish have been collected during 8 of the last 9 surveys.

Fishing regulations:

Species	Creel Limit	Minimum Length Limit
Largemouth Bass	3	15"

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