



# Eaglewatch Lake

## FISH SURVEY AND MANAGEMENT DATA

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**General Information:** Eaglewatch Lake, a 42 acre reservoir located in South Suburban Park, offers good fishing for walleye, yellow perch and stocked rainbow trout.

**Location:** Northwest of C-470 and the South Platte River. From C-470 travel north on South Platte Canyon Rd. about 1/2 mile and turn east on S. Depew Street. Continue east to parking lot at South Platte River.

**Recreational Management:** South Suburban Parks and Recreation <http://www.ssprd.org/southsubnew/park.asp?tl=5&id=8>

**Fishery Management:** Warm and coldwater species

**Annual Survey Data:** ([see page 2](#))

### Amenities and General Info.

- Park hours 6 A.M. to 11 P.M.
- Handicap Accessible
- Parking
- Trail
- Carson Nature Center at W. Mineral Avenue

### Fishing Regulations

- Minimum size limit for smallmouth and largemouth bass is 15”.
- Daily bag limit for trout (in aggregate) is four fish. Possession limit for trout (in aggregate) is eight fish.

### Previous Stocking

#### 2011

Rainbow Trout

#### 2010

Rainbow Trout

#### 2009

Rainbow Trout

#### 2008

Rainbow Trout

#### 2007

Rainbow Trout

#### 2006

Rainbow Trout

#### 2005

Rainbow Trout

### Sportfishing Notes

- Eaglewatch Lake is a former gravel pit so it is deep, up to 35 feet in spots.
- Fish the sharper drop-offs along the northwest and southeast shorelines.
- Fish for walleye during low light hours of early morning or the evening using crank-baits and jigs.
- Target yellow perch with small jigs tipped with worms below bobbers.

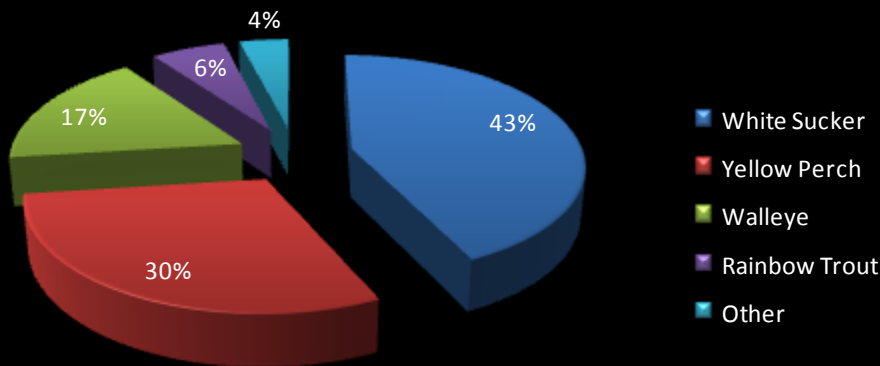


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### Eaglewatch Lake 2011 Fish Survey



The figure to the left shows the percent relative abundance of the most abundant species in the 2011 fish collections at Eaglewatch Lake. Fish were collected using gill-nets and trapnets; due to lightning, no electrofishing could be done. White suckers were the most abundant in the catch (43%), followed by yellow perch (30%), walleye (17%) and rainbow trout (6%). These percentages probably would have been different if electrofishing was also conducted. Yellow perch and young white suckers provide a good forage for the walleye.

The figure below shows the length frequencies of yellow perch, walleye, and rainbow trout collected in 2011. The vertical bars represent the number of fish at a particular length. As stated above, a complete sample could not be conducted due to lightning. Yellow perch ranged from 5" to 8" in length, rainbow from 12" to 13", and walleye from 15" to 27" in length. The largest walleye weighed just under seven pounds. Populations of yellow perch and walleye are sustained through natural reproduction, since they are not stocked here.

### Eaglewatch Lake 2011 Length Frequencies

