

Forest Preserves of Cook County  
2018 Stocking Report

Species						
Lake	Channel Catfish	Hybrid Sunfish	Bluegill	Muskellunge	Rainbow Trout*	Walleye
Axehead Lake	-	-	-	-	4,784 S&F	-
Beck Lake	7,612	-	-	-	-	2,000
Belleau Lake	-	-	-	-	4,320 S&F	-
Belly Deep Slough	-	-	22,356	-	-	-
Beverly Lake	-	-	33,975	-	-	-
Bode Lake- South	3,034	-	-	-	-	-
Bullfrog Lake	2,200	-	90,309	-	-	-
Busse Main-Pool	6,250	-	-	-	-	9,817
Busse North-Pool	-	-	-	-	4,548 F	-
Busse South-Pool	6,250	-	-	1,000	-	9,817
Cermak Quarry	480	825	-	-	-	-
Flatfoot Lake	3,333	6,120	24,318	-	-	-
Green Lake	-	-	-	-	2,080 S&F	-
Horsetail Lake	-	-	-	-	2,593 S&F	-
Ida Lake	2,009	-	-	-	-	-
Maple Lake	1,394	-	-	-	-	-
Potawatomi Pond	-	-	29,955	-	-	-
Rolling Knolls Pond	-	-	28,313	-	-	-
Saganashkee Slough	24,039	-	-	-	-	-
Sag Quarry-East	-	-	78,981	-	2,593 S&F	-
Schiller Pond	801	2,445	-	-	-	-
Skokie Lagoons	4,760	-	-	-	-	9,696
Tampier Lake	3,021	-	59,472	-	-	14,510
Tuma Lake	1,000	-	80,138	-	-	-
Wampum Lake	913	-	30,412	-	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>67,096</b>	<b>9,390</b>	<b>478,229</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>20,918</b>	<b>45,840</b>

**A total of 622,473 fish representing 6 different species were stocked in 2018.**

**Size of Fish Stocked**

Most of the fish stocked in the lakes of the Forest Preserves of Cook County are young-of-the-year and are provided by the IDNR Hatcheries. Fish from the hatcheries are stocked upon availability and are funded by your fishing licenses.

These fish range in size from 2 to 3 inches for Largemouth Bass and ½ to ¾ inch for Bluegill. Hybrid sunfish (Bluegill x Green Sunfish) are stocked for the IDNR's Urban Fishing Program and are 6 to 8 inches.

Channel Catfish are stocked at around 6 inches in most lakes; however Cermak Quarry, Flatfoot Lake and Schiller Pond are part of the IDNR's Urban Fishing Program and receives 1.5 pound average catfish.

The IDNR has indefinitely suspended the production, rearing and stocking of Northern Pike. Muskellunge range from 10 to 12 inches and are stocked every other year. One thousand 5-inch musky were stocked in the South Pool of Busse Reservoir as part of a State experimental stocking in 2018.

Walleye fingerlings from the IDNR are 2 to 3 inches and the Walleye from the Tampier Walleye Propagation Program are stocked as fingerlings and/or fry.

The Sauger included in this report represents an IDNR stocking of the Des Plaines River at the Irving Park Road Canoe Launch and is included due to the proximity to Forest Preserves of Cook County holdings. These fish were stock at 1-inch.

Rainbow Trout are stocked in the ½ to 1 pound range. Trout stockings are funded by your trout stamps and the FPCC. Spring trout season opens the 1st Saturday in April and the fall season opens on the 3rd Saturday in October. \* S = Spring, F = Fall