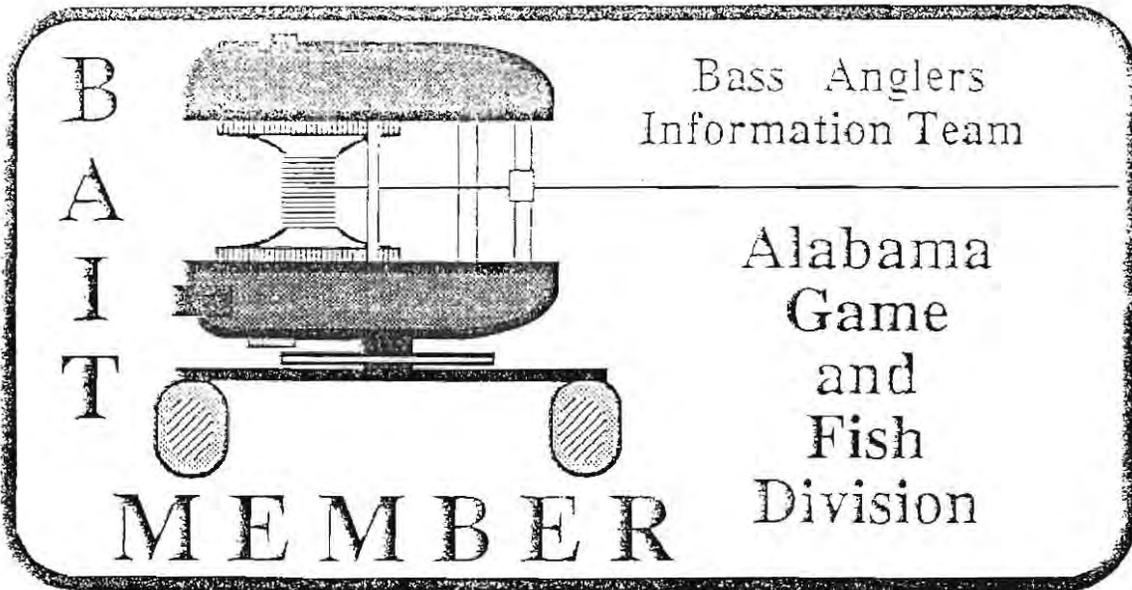


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INTRODUCTION

The B.A.I.T. program began in 1986 with the objective of gathering information on bass populations by combining the efforts of bass club members and state fisheries biologists. Reservoir creel surveys are expensive to conduct and cannot be undertaken on a statewide basis. The B.A.I.T. program summarizes catch data already being collected by participating clubs on reservoir bass populations.

Since 1986, 949 tournament reports have been received. Over 100 different clubs participated during the first three years. All major reservoirs have been fished. During this effort the 22,225 participating fishermen spent 216,542 hours collecting data for this program. They have caught 51,226 bass that weighed 80,373 pounds.

METHODS

Each year since 1986 an effort has been made to maintain the support of the previous years' clubs and to enlist the support of non-member clubs. Participating club officers or tournament directors are sent the previous year's annual report, with tournament report postcards to be completed following each tournament. Clubs are assigned individual numbers to insure confidentiality. As tournament cards are received, they are checked for accuracy and entered into a computer database. Club officers are contacted when data are suspected to be erroneous.

Compilation and analysis of the data are performed following receipt of December tournament data. Statewide information is sorted by reservoir, and by participating club. To rank reservoirs, five "fishing quality" indicators were used: percent of successful fishermen (percent of fishermen with one or more bass at weigh-in), bass average weight, number of bass per fisherman-day, pounds of bass per fisherman-day, and hours required to catch a bass five pounds or larger. Since the length of a fishing day varies between tournaments, a fisherman-day is defined as 10 hours of fishing effort. A minimum of five tournaments for an individual reservoir is considered necessary for minimum confidence in each reservoir dataset. Reservoirs with five or more tournament reports are ranked for each of the quality indicators. Values are assigned to each rank and an overall rank is determined for each reservoir by summing the values of the five quality indicators. This ranking system is intended to be a quick reference for club tournament site selection. It is not a "best and worst" list and should not be interpreted that way.

The 1988 B.A.I.T. tournament report postcard was amended to include blanks for numbers of bass caught by length group and by species. Response to this additional information request was optional. Response to the optional request in 1988 was limited but promising. The same information was requested of clubs in 1989.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Bass clubs submitted 266 reports from 1989 tournaments. The club representatives did an excellent job filling out the cards and few reports were rejected due to incomplete or erroneous information. The number of 1989 tournament reports was 41 less than 1988's and 116 less than 1987's. Fifty-one clubs provided data in 1989. This level of participation is essentially the same as in 1988, when 50 clubs provided data. Since club numbers remained the same, the decline in tournament reports probably reflects fewer reports submitted per club. The declining number of reports over the last two years limits the success of the B.A.I.T. program. More reports from more locations increases the capability of the summaries to reflect actual conditions and not just a good or poor day's fishing by one or two clubs.

In 1989, reports were received concerning 32 bodies of water that were fished 84,526 hours by 8,557 fishermen. B.A.I.T. anglers caught 23,575 bass (12 inches and larger) that weighed 38,807 pounds (Table 1). Four hundred and five bass five pounds and larger were reported. Three bass greater than 10 pounds were reported, all caught from Eufaula (Table 5). The two largest bass, both 10 pounds 15 ounces, were caught on March 11th and 24th. One was caught during the Country Boy Trails Tournament and the other was caught during the Operation Bass Tournament.

Bass Angler Sportsman Society (B.A.S.S.) tournaments were held on Gunter'sville and Martin during 1989. B.A.I.T. fishermen on these waters compared favorably with the professionals

regarding the average weight of bass caught. However, B.A.I.T. fishermen catch rates were considerably lower than values achieved by the professional bass fishermen (Figure 2).

Each year since 1986, tournament reports indicate that statewide bass fishing has improved (Table 1 and Figure 1). Whether this reflects actual increases in the numbers and sizes of bass present in Alabama waters is unknown. Any increases in numbers could be related to the recent mild winters and resulting high survival of threadfin shad. Additionally, recent drought years may have promoted increased eutrophic conditions in many reservoirs. This would enhance shad spawning and survival and produce a temporary increases in bass condition and growth. A third factor might be that participating clubs have been improving their fishing skills over the past three years.

Twenty-six clubs submitted five or more tournament reports (51% of the clubs provided 81% of the data). Seven clubs submitted 10 or more reports (Table 3). The Friendship Bass Club, Christian Bass Anglers, Kowaliga Bassmasters, Uniroyal-Goodrich and Tom Mann's Fish World provided data on twelve or more tournaments. Every year, lack of full reporting by participating clubs remains a limiting factor in this program. All clubs should understand that every tournament report is needed for this program to be successful. A list of 1988 B.A.I.T. clubs is presented in Table 6.

Overall, clubs were more conservative in their tournament rules than the limits allowed by Game and Fish Division regulations. Several clubs are committed to daily creel limits

of five fish or less (29% of all tournaments, 14% last year) and size limits greater than 12 inches. These clubs are commended for their efforts to conserve bass resources in Alabama.

More tournament reports (49) were received from Eufaula than any other location. The Mobile Delta had 25 reports, Demopolis reports totalled 22, and 16 tournaments were reported from Martin (Table 1). Reports from these four locations represented 42% of all reports received. Last year 39% of all reports came from only four reservoirs. The proportion of reports from a few major reservoirs is increasing each year.

Of the 32 reservoirs from which reports were received, 19 had five or more tournament reports. The following comments deal with these 19 reservoirs only (Table 2). The percent of successful fishermen (with one or more fish) ranged from 41 at West Point to 87 at Miller's Ferry. West Point continues to be the lowest ranked reservoir in this category, but it is the only reservoir with a 16-inch size limit.

The average weight of bass harvested ranged from 1.34 pounds at Coffeeville to 3.28 pounds at West Point (Table 1). The statewide average was 1.65 pounds. West Point was the only reservoir reporting an average weight greater than two pounds. Catch rates ranged from a high of 3.26 bass per fisherman-day at Eufaula to 0.92 at West Point. The statewide average was 2.79, an increase of 0.09 bass per fisherman-day over last year. Catch in pounds per fisherman-day ranged from a high of 6.03 at Eufaula to 3.03 at West Point. The statewide average was 4.59, an increase of 0.30 pounds per fisherman-day. Seven locations had

catches in excess of 4.0 pounds per fisherman-day, three less than last year. Eufaula again led all reservoirs in the catch of bass larger than five pounds with an all time high of 204 fish. A summary of all bass 8 pounds and larger caught this year is presented in Table 6.

Overall, Eufaula was judged the top-ranked reservoir in Alabama for the third consecutive year, accumulating a total score of 88 of a possible 95 points (Table 2). Weiss ranked second with 80 points and Miller's Ferry held the third position with 77 points.

Fifteen clubs provided length frequency data on tournament catches, an increase of three clubs from last year. Those clubs providing this additional information are to be commended for their increased support of this program. Results of this effort are presented in Table 5. Data from some reservoirs were not included because of incomplete entries, too few clubs reporting, or too few fish caught to develop a representative length frequency. To use Table 5, select a location and check the various size groups for catch rates and percent. For example, a club considering a tournament on Miller's Ferry could expect 86% of their catch to be 12 to 15 inches with 13% in the 15 to 20 inch size group. They could expect to catch bass 12 inches or larger at a rate of 2.53 fish per fisherman-day ($2.19 + 0.31 + 0.03$). Reporting of this data should continue, with a greater effort coming from more clubs. Fisheries biologists and tournament fishermen will all benefit from summaries of the length data.

Table 1. Statewide summary of tournament results for all bass clubs participating in the 1989 B.A.I.T. program.

Reservoir	Tour No	No Men	Success	No Bass	Wt Bass	Bass>5LB	Tot Hrs	% Success	Avg Wt Bass/Man	Lbs/Man	Hours/ Bass>5LB	
Aliceville	3	87	51	129	203.82	3	854.0	58.62	1.58	1.51	2.39	285
Bankhead	3	85	54	130	179.44	1	796.0	63.53	1.38	1.63	2.25	796
Big Creek	2	21	7	19	22.94	0	210.0	33.33	1.21	.90	1.09	
Cedar Creek	1	17	11	33	68.50	3	170.0	64.71	2.08	1.94	4.03	57
Claiborne	1	21	20	54	79.75	0	231.0	95.24	1.48	2.34	3.45	
Coffeetown	7	92	57	168	224.53	1	700.0	61.96	1.34	2.40	3.21	700
Demopolis	22	1422	1149	4336	6246.56	44	14943.0	80.80	1.44	2.90	4.18	340
Dog River	1	10	7	18	22.88	0	100.0	70.00	1.27	1.80	2.29	
Eufaula	49	2675	2263	9063	16748.93	204	27763.5	84.60	1.85	3.26	6.03	136
Gainesville	3	97	87	371	528.56	5	1034.5	89.69	1.42	3.59	5.11	207
Guntersville	10	353	292	977	1491.77	22	3163.0	82.72	1.53	3.09	4.72	144
Harding	3	54	42	119	204.01	3	480.0	77.78	1.71	2.48	4.25	160
Harris	14	267	213	592	857.94	7	2478.0	79.78	1.45	2.39	3.46	354
Holt	1	18	16	56	69.44	0	234.0	88.89	1.24	2.39	2.97	
Jones Bluff	7	215	153	431	661.96	15	1852.0	71.16	1.54	2.33	3.57	123
Jordan	11	234	170	447	730.65	3	2244.2	72.65	1.63	1.99	3.26	748
Lay	6	253	148	587	1112.70	16	2161.0	58.50	1.90	2.72	5.15	135
Little Bear	2	32	19	48	63.06	0	256.0	59.38	1.31	1.88	2.46	
Logan Martin	10	262	214	654	1043.92	3	2323.5	81.68	1.60	2.81	4.49	775
Martin	16	456	353	1117	1568.41	6	3978.5	77.41	1.40	2.81	3.94	663
Millers Ferry	7	158	138	464	813.01	5	1604.0	87.34	1.75	2.89	5.07	321
Mitchell	8	158	117	349	507.66	1	1577.5	74.05	1.45	2.21	3.22	1578
Mobile Delta	25	385	260	613	856.27	4	3837.0	67.53	1.40	1.60	2.23	959
Neely Henry	9	236	185	585	893.63	8	2101.4	78.39	1.53	2.78	4.25	263
Pickwick	9	121	67	263	410.27	7	1204.0	55.37	1.56	2.18	3.41	172
Smith	1	12	8	34	44.94	0	156.0	66.67	1.32	2.18	2.88	
Tuscaloosa	3	132	107	399	513.00	1	1265.0	81.06	1.29	3.15	4.06	1265
Warrior	4	107	78	210	316.81	2	1020.0	72.90	1.51	2.06	3.11	510
Weiss	10	248	206	646	1031.46	22	2191.5	83.06	1.60	2.95	4.71	100
West Point	8	181	74	141	462.79	11	1529.7	40.88	3.28	.92	3.03	139
Wheeler	5	93	81	403	631.57	4	1491.5	87.10	1.57	2.70	4.23	373
Wilson	5	55	36	119	196.24	4	576.0	65.45	1.65	2.07	3.41	144
Statewide	266	8557	6683	23575	38807.42	405	84525.8	78.10	1.65	2.79	4.59	209

Table 2. Ranking by quality indicators for all reservoirs with five or more tournament reports in the 1989 B.A.I.T. program.

Rank	%Success	Avg Wt	Bass/Man	Lbs/Man	Hrs/Bass>5LB	Overall	Value
1	Millers Ferry	West Point	Eufaula	Eufaula	Weiss	Eufaula	88
2	Wheeler	Lay	Guntersville	Lay	Jones Bluff	Weiss	80
3	Eufaula	Eufaula	Weiss	Millers Ferry	Lay	Millers Ferry	77
4	Weiss	Millers Ferry	Demopolis	Guntersville	Eufaula	Guntersville	70
5	Guntersville	Wilson	Millers Ferry	Weiss	West Point	Lay	67
6	Logan Martin	Jordan	Logan Martin	Logan Martin	Guntersville	Logan Martin	57
7	Demopolis	Weiss	Martin	Neely Henry	Wilson	Neely Henry	55
8	Harris	Logan Martin	Neely Henry	Wheeler	Pickwick	Demopolis	53
9	Neely Henry	Wheeler	Lay	Demopolis	Neely Henry	Jones Bluff	50
10	Martin	Pickwick	Wheeler	Martin	Millers Ferry	Wilson	43
11	Mitchell	Jones Bluff	Coffeeville	Jones Bluff	Demopolis	Martin	42
12	Jordan	Neely Henry	Harris	Harris	Harris	Harris	41
13	Jones Bluff	Guntersville	Jones Bluff	Pickwick	Wheeler	Wheeler	40
14	Mobile Delta	Mitchell	Mitchell	Wilson	Martin	West Point	38
15	Wilson	Harris	Pickwick	Jordan	Coffeeville	Pickwick	36
16	Coffeeville	Demopolis	Wilson	Mitchell	Jordan	Jordan	34
17	Lay	Martin	Jordan	Coffeeville	Logan Martin	Mitchell	26
18	Pickwick	Mobile Delta	Mobile Delta	West Point	Mobile Delta	Coffeeville	22
19	West Point	Coffeeville	West Point	Mobile Delta	Mitchell	Mobile Delta	13

Table 3. Tournament summary for all bass clubs participating in the 1989 B.A.I.T. program.

Club	Tour No	No Men	Success	No Bass	Wt Bass	Bass>5LB	Tot Hra	% Success	Avg Wt	Bass/Man	Lbs/Man	Hours/ Bass>5LB
1	2	59	32	220	283.57	0	531.0	54.24	1.29	4.14	5.34	
8	10	527	385	1087	1673.46	13	6523.9	73.06	1.54	1.67	2.57	502
10	4	53	48	195	296.63	5	530.0	90.57	1.52	3.68	5.60	106
12	9	168	142	542	806.51	7	1952.0	84.52	1.49	2.78	4.13	279
13	12	172	117	365	529.89	3	1660.4	68.02	1.45	2.20	3.19	553
14	7	415	342	1261	1850.75	12	4143.5	82.41	1.47	3.04	4.47	345
16	3	880	843	3883	7637.57	38	9872.0	95.80	1.97	3.93	7.74	260
19	6	344	269	731	1234.67	21	2836.0	78.20	1.69	2.58	4.35	135
21	5	105	85	329	514.13	4	1180.5	80.95	1.56	2.79	4.36	295
22	12	189	152	453	634.71	5	1701.0	80.42	1.40	2.66	3.73	340
23	2	82	79	339	475.06	3	1282.0	96.34	1.40	2.64	3.71	427
24	1	6	4	4	9.25	1	42.0	66.67	2.31	.95	2.20	42
25	1	91	56	220	387.81	2	819.0	61.54	1.76	2.69	4.74	410
27	14	215	174	567	925.15	6	2180.0	80.93	1.63	2.60	4.24	363
30	3	31	30	134	217.38	2	414.0	96.77	1.62	3.24	5.25	207
31	5	94	63	127	219.00	5	829.0	67.02	1.72	1.53	2.64	166
32	8	199	184	768	1195.13	7	1816.0	92.46	1.56	4.23	6.58	259
34	2	24	13	70	105.06	0	184.0	54.17	1.50	3.80	5.71	
39	5	81	65	214	316.26	2	725.5	80.25	1.48	2.95	4.36	363
40	4	55	51	166	235.25	2	522.0	92.73	1.42	3.18	4.51	261
42	11	203	162	439	617.95	2	2176.0	79.80	1.41	2.02	2.84	1088
43	2	39	26	85	151.38	2	379.5	66.67	1.78	2.24	3.99	190
46	7	129	86	324	473.88	4	1523.0	66.67	1.46	2.13	3.11	381
47	8	145	120	472	717.26	11	1633.5	82.76	1.52	2.89	4.39	149
49	7	80	50	107	148.06	0	786.0	62.50	1.38	1.36	1.88	
52	7	92	57	168	224.53	1	700.0	61.96	1.34	2.40	3.21	700
53	6	107	83	250	339.13	0	1106.0	77.57	1.36	2.26	3.07	
54	4	464	329	1172	2237.60	57	3712.0	70.91	1.91	3.16	6.03	65
56	7	78	44	95	128.51	0	720.0	56.41	1.35	1.32	1.78	
58	12	236	159	513	772.41	9	2100.0	67.37	1.51	2.44	3.68	233
64	3	35	27	107	128.13	2	380.0	77.14	1.20	2.82	3.37	190
66	12	282	234	570	1157.95	26	1741.0	82.98	2.03	3.27	6.65	67
69	2	27	27	129	220.00	11	234.0	100.00	1.71	5.51	9.40	21
73	7	72	45	156	214.76	2	640.0	62.50	1.38	2.44	3.36	320
76	1	166	120	443	904.19	11	1328.0	72.29	2.04	3.34	6.81	121
77	1	156	99	403	584.38	4	1404.0	63.46	1.45	2.87	4.16	351
79	7	149	124	384	574.75	1	1327.5	83.22	1.50	2.89	4.33	1328
82	1	20	18	170	259.88	3	320.0	90.00	1.53	5.31	8.12	107
83	9	86	24	32	90.25	3	688.0	27.91	2.82	.47	1.31	229
84	4	82	75	286	457.38	7	803.0	91.46	1.60	3.56	5.70	115
85	1	45	45	461	893.19	11	1215.0	100.00	1.94	3.79	7.35	110
86	2	27	22	57	96.44	6	251.0	81.48	1.69	2.27	3.84	42
87	1	54	30	81	136.00	11	648.0	55.56	1.68	1.25	2.10	59
88	8	102	76	235	322.70	2	903.5	74.51	1.37	2.60	3.57	452
89	2	236	200	559	1045.06	26	1888.0	84.75	1.87	2.96	5.54	73
90	7	672	530	1658	2707.77	20	6233.0	78.87	1.63	2.66	4.34	312
91	1	13	13	57	80.38	1	130.0	100.00	1.41	4.38	6.18	130
92	1	38	23	35	53.00	1	342.0	60.53	1.51	1.02	1.55	342
93	1	50	18	30	40.13	2	250.0	36.00	1.34	1.20	1.61	125
94	1	8	8	13	18.25	0	64.0	100.00	1.40	2.03	2.85	
99	8	874	683	2409	3464.88	31	9156.0	78.15	1.44	2.63	3.78	295

Table 4. Clubs supporting the 1989 B.A.I.T. annual report.

CLUB NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP	CLUB REP	PHONE
A.B.C.	P. O. Box 20667	Montgomery	Al	36120	Robert Norris	281-4411
AAD	4120 Perkerson Dr.	Anniston	Al	36201	James Brooks	237-5122
Alabama Bass Association	P.O. Box 30098	Enterprise	Al	36330	John W. Wall	393-4666
Alabama Hawk Hunters	117 Southmoor Cir	Oxford	Al	36203	Dennis Traywick	835-1950
Bama Bassmasters	3006 11th Ave. E.	Tuscaloosa	Al	35405	Wayne Lee	656-9762
Bayou Bass Hawks	Rt 9 Box 216 BB	Eight Mile	Al	36613	Derryl Brewer	675-1287
Birmingham Bass Masters	530 Beacon Pkwy. W.	Birmingham	Al	35209	Terry M. Chandler	945-4974
Blackshear	P.O. Box 468	Americus	Ga	31709	Earl Gammage	924-4029
Christian Bass Anglers	1337 Primrose Ln.	Montgomery	Al	36111	Jerry Burch	288-3713
Confederate Bass Club	P. O. Box 1422	Dothan	Al	36302	Eddie Mathews	729-0255
Confederate Bassmasters	3845 Chatwood St.	Montgomery	Al	36116	John Davis	288-6405
Country Boy Trails	Box 1066	Tifton	Ga	31793	Glenn Nothstein	382-9041
Delco Remy	Rt. 1 Box 368	Sycamore	Ga	31790	W.L. Taylor	567-4567
Dixie Bass Anglers	2119 21st Ave. E.	Tuscaloosa	Al	35405	Jack White	556-1239
E. Alabama Bassmasters	391 Gunnells Rd.	Jacksonville	Al	36265	Billy Brannon	435-4522
FabArc Bassmasters	P.O. Box 606	Anniston	Al	36201	Mike Craft	831-8770
Five Flags Bass Club	4485 Yarmouth Pl.	Pensacola	Fl	32514	John R. Rush	478-3517
Friendship Bass Club	3231 Covered Bridge Rd	Montgomery	Al	36116	Scott Beal	272-6877
Ga Branch Agc	147 Harris St. NW	Atlanta	Ga	30313	Jerry Anderson	768-2555
Ga. Handicapped Sportsman	2138 Black Fox Dr.	Atlanta	Ga	30345	Zeke Isaacs	636-3211
Galey and Lord Employees	4441 Adairsville Rd. NE	Adairsville	Ga	30103	Wayne Baxter	291-4558
Gilbertown Bass Club	Rt. 2 Box 109-1	Gilbertown	Al	36908	Hunter Doggette	843-5670
Goodyear Hunting and Fishing Club	922 E. Meighan Blvd.	Gadsden	Al	35999	Rick McCallie	442-3568
Greensboro Lions	P. O. Box 221	Greensboro	Al	36744	Wayne Faught	624-8104
Guys and Dolls	P.O. Box 1200	Indian Lake	Fl	33855	Sandra Causey	463-4652
Hamilton Bassmasters	Rt. 6 Box 255	Hamilton	Al	35570	Charles Wiginton	921-3451
Hollow Stump Hawgers	Rt. 5 Box 457	Piedmont	Al	36272	Charles Ivey	447-6882
Jasper Bass Club	Rt. 1 Box 461	Nauvoo	Al	35578	Calvin Kluesner	221-2045
Kowaliga Bassmasters	P.O. Box 716	E. Tallassee	Al	36023	Hank Golden	283-6555
Lady Bass Inc.	P.O. Box 2676	W. Monroe	La	71294	Dana Flowers	396-1121
Lee Bass Masters	P.O. Box 1229	Anniston	Al	36201	J. W. Pekar	831-2501
Masters Bass Club	5755 Ziegler Blvd.	Mobile	Al	36608	Mel Cosgrove	344-4636
Military Bass Anglers Association	111 Brentwood Pl.	Enterprise	Al	36330	John Wall	393-4666
Millers Ferry Bassmasters	Rt. 3 Box 199	Thomasville	Al		Scottie Hayes	994-4772
Mobile Bass Club	P.O. Box 9104	Mobile	Al	36691	Chipper Mathis	666-2820
Muscle Shoals Bass Club	535 N Crown St.	Florence	Al	35630	Waymon Gray	see-card
North Jefferson	814 Honeysuckle Dr.	Fultondale	Al	35068	Stephen McCarty	631-5466
Operation Bass Inc.	Rt. 2 Box 47 B	Gilbertsvill	Ky	42044	Dan W. Grimes	362-4880
Oxford Pole Benders	2317 Nancy Dr.	Oxford	Al	36203	Charlie Murphy	
Pickwick Smallmouth	205 W. 5th St.	Tuscumbia	Al	35674	Steve Hacker	383-1058
River City Bassmasters	Rt.1 Box 499	Demopolis	Al	36732	Ronnie Willingham	289-4652
Ronnie Willingham	Route 1, Box 499	Demopolis	Al	36732	Ronnie Willingham	289-4652
SeaBass	342 W. Simmons St.	Elba	Al	36323	Scott Flowers	897-5568
Sylacauga Bass Anglers	403 E. 3rd St.	Sylacauga	Al	35150	Donald Duncan	245-3129
Telephone Council of America	1324 4th Ave.	Columbus	Ga	31994	Cindy Huie	571-3625
Tom Mann's Fish World	Rt. 2 Box 84C	Eufaula	Al	36027	Sone Kornegay	687-7044
Tom Parsons	2713 Newport Rd.	Montgomery	Al	36111	Tom Parsons	281-1551
Uniroyal-Goodrich	Rt. 5 Box 197	Opelika	Al	36801	Dana Watkins	749-1663
Valley Bass Club	1007 S. 13th St.	Lanett	Al	36863	Malcolm Gilchrist	644-1308
West Alabama Bass Fishermans Assoc.	306 23rd Street	Tuscaloosa	Al	35401	Tom Goodwin	349-1871
Wiregrass Bassmasters	11 Baker St.	Et. Rucker	Al	36362	T. Caslieberry	598 2180

Table 5A. Largemouth bass size distribution from selected 1989 B.A.I.T. Tournaments.

Reservoir	Tot Hrs		Size Category (inches)			
			8-11.9	12-14.9	15-19.9	20-24.9
Coffeeville	700	No. Bass	194	154	13	1
		Bass/Day	2.77	2.20	.19	.01
		Percent	54	42	3	<1
Demopolis	9380	No. Bass		2232	233	29
		Bass/Day		2.38	.25	.03
		Percent		89	10	1
Eufaula	2462.5	No. Bass		829	119	4
		Bass/Day		3.37	.48	.02
		Percent		87	12	<1
Millers Ferry	352	No. Bass		77	11	1
		Bass/Day		2.19	.31	.03
		Percent		86	13	1
Mobile Delta	1660	No. Bass	173	286	7	
		Bass/Day	1.04	1.72	.04	
		Percent	37	61	2	
Weiss	365	No. Bass		97	8	6
		Bass/Day		2.66	.22	.16
		Percent		87	7	6

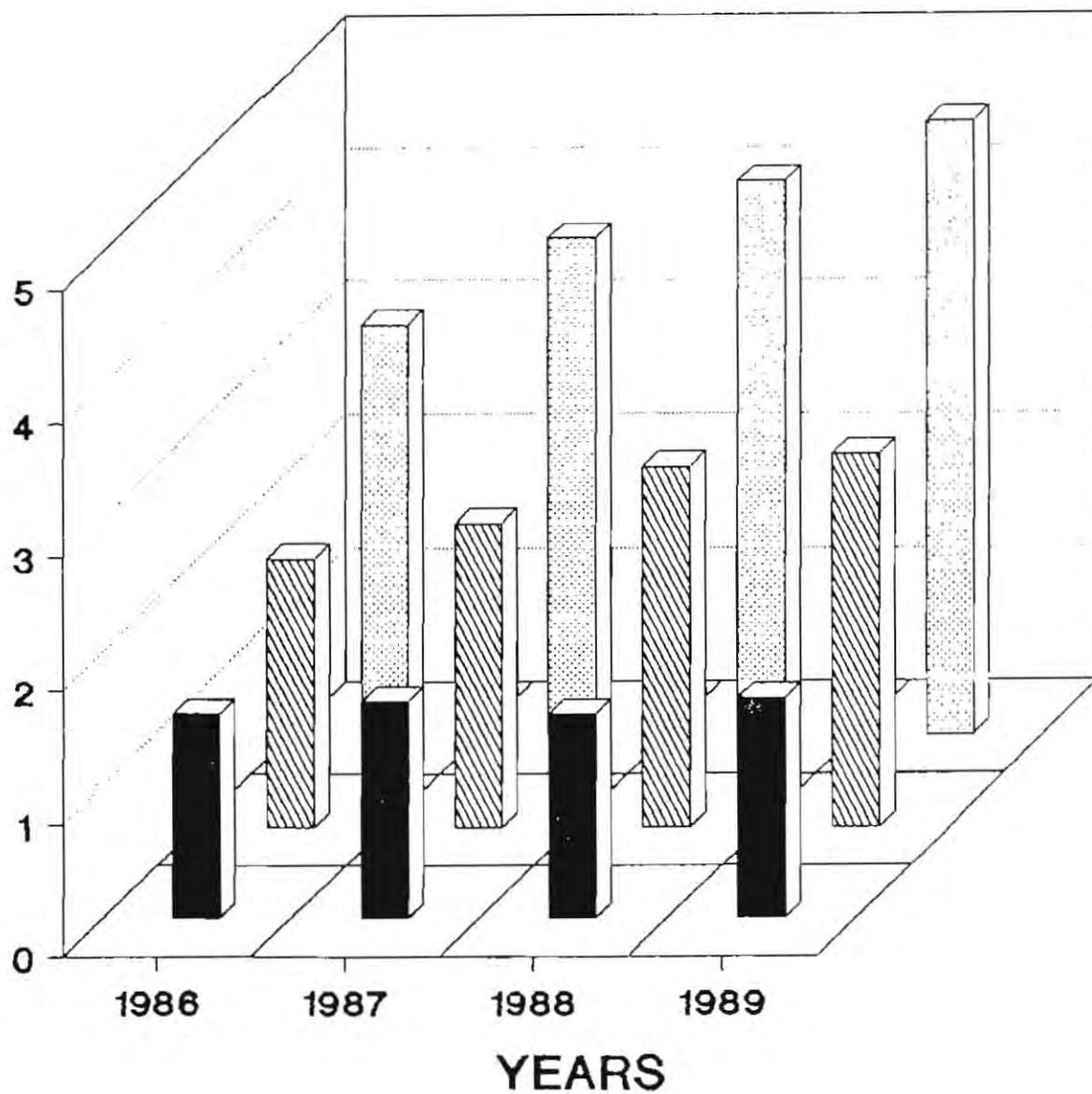
Table 5B. Spotted bass and smallmouth bass size distribution from selected 1989 B.A.I.T. Tournaments.

Reservoir	Tot Hrs		Size Category (inches)			
			11-13.9	14-16.9	17-19.9	20-24.9
Demopolis Spotted bass	2720	No. Bass	34	3		
		Bass/Day	.13	.01		
		Percent	92	8		
Martin Spotted bass	611	No. Bass	181	47		1
		Bass/Day	2.96	.77		.02
		Percent	79	20		<1
Pickwick Smallmouth bass	400	No. Bass		8	6	2
		Bass/Day		.20	.15	.05
		Percent		50	38	12
Wilson Smallmouth bass	168	No. Bass		4		2
		Bass/Day		.24		.12
		Percent		66		34

Table 6. Bass eight pounds and larger from 1989 B.A.I.T. tournament reports.

WEIGHT (lb/oz)	DATE	LOCATION	CLUB
10/15	3/11/89	Eufaula	Country Boy Trails
10/15	3/24/89	Eufaula	Operation Bass Tourn.
10/04	3/12/89	Eufaula	Operation Bass Tourn.
09/15	2/18/89	Cedar Creek	Hamilton Bassmasters
09/06	7/15/89	Harris	Uniroyal-Goodrich
08/14	5/06/89	Guntersville	Birmingham Bassmasters
08/13	4/15/89	Eufaula	Delco Remy
08/12	1/07/89	Harris	Kowaliga
08/12	4/16/89	Eufaula	Tom Parson's Tourn.
08/12	5/05/89	Eufaula	Tom Mann's Tourn.
08/08	3/31/89	Eufaula	Tom Mann's Tourn.
08/08	4/01/89	Eufaula	Ga. Branch AGC
08/08	6/10/89	Eufaula	Five Flags Bass Club
08/08	6/16/89	Eufaula	Tom Mann's Tourn.
08/07	5/13/89	Eufaula	Guys and Dolls
08/05	3/04/89	Harris	East Alabama Bass Club
08/04	3/18/89	Eufaula	Guys and Dolls
08/04	4/01/89	Eufaula	Birmingham Bassmasters
08/01	3/19/89	Eufaula	Country Boy Trails

FIGURE 1
ANNUAL CATCH FOR B.A.I.T. TOURNAMENTS



■ AVG. WT. ▨ BASS/MANDAY ▩ LBS./MANDAY

FIGURE 2
COMPARISON OF 1989 B.A.I.T. AND B.A.S.S.
TOURNAMENTS

