KEZAR POND

Fryeburg Twp., Oxford Co. U.S.G.S. Fryeburg, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Smallmouth bass
Largemouth bass
White perch
Yellow perch
Chain pickerel
Minnows
Golden Shiners

Fallfish (chub)
White sucker
Hornpout (bullhead)
Burbot (cusk)
Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 1299 acres (fluctuates)

Temperatures:

Surface - 79°F

Maximum depth - 12 feet

8 feet - 73°F

Principal fisheries: Largemouth bass, chain pickerel, white perch, yellow perch

Kezar Pond is a large, shallow, and weedy body of water that provides excellent habitat for warmwater fish species. The pond is equal in elevation to the Saco River and the water level can fluctuate +/- 10 feet. This changing water level also causes the pond size to vary. The shorelines are sparsely developed and the pond offers panoramic mountain views of New Hampshire's Presidential Range.

This water is extremely productive for warmwater fish species. Chain pickerel, yellow perch, and white perch are abundant and of relatively good size quality. Kezar Pond provides excellent growth opportunities for largemouth bass and trophy largemouths are commonly caught. However, the high

number of predators limits their abundance. Few anglers fish this water due to difficult access, but summer and winter fishing typically provides good action.

Cusk were discovered in the late 1990's and it is unknown if they were illegally introduced, because they may have migrated from Lovewell Pond. It remains to be seen whether or not a desirable cusk fishery will develop.

Access for car-top boats and canoes is located off Hemlock Bridge Road at the old covered bridge. The pond can be reached by following the outlet of the pond upstream for approximately one mile.

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