



Senecaville State Fish Hatchery

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121 Acres of Land * 37 Acres of Water

Fishing Made Possible by the Senecaville State Fish Hatchery:

- Walleye and saugeye fry and fingerlings are produced to stock reservoirs statewide each spring for future fishing opportunities.
- Hybrid striped bass are grown from fry to fingerling size and stocked in select reservoirs across Ohio and the Ohio, Muskingum, and Great Miami rivers.
- Channel Catfish are produced and stocked as “catchables”, yearlings, or fingerlings.
- Channel Catfish are spawned, hatched, and moved out for further production; broodstock (breeders) are kept on-site.



Hatchery Origin: Built in 1938 by the US Fish & Wildlife Service and transferred to the ODNR Division of Wildlife in 1987.

Renovation: Most recently renovated in 1995 for production building and pond upgrades. Beginning construction in Spring of 2023 to upgrade water supply lines, ponds, and the holding house.

Fish Production Space: 12 indoor raceways, 2 production buildings and 37 ponds

Water Sources: Seneca Lake

Staff: 4 full-time and 1 seasonal personnel

Fish Production and Stocking in 2022:

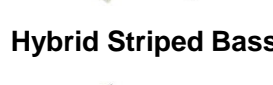
- Saugeye: 7.4 million fry and 1.0 million fingerlings
- Walleye: 9.0 million fry and 867,791 fingerlings
- Hybrid Striped Bass: 258,819 fingerlings
- Channel Catfish: 2,987 catchables, 31,237 yearlings, and 41,791 fingerlings.



Saugeye



Walleye



Hybrid Striped Bass



Channel Catfish

Other Activities:

- Foot paths for wildlife viewing opportunities are open daily, sunrise to sunset.
- Angler access to the Seneca Fork of Wills Creek is available opposite the hatchery grounds, along Hatchery Road.
- Tours: Self-guided tours are permitted Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, except holidays. Guided tours are available by appointment for larger groups.

Ohio Division of Wildlife Fish Hatcheries:

The Division operates six fish hatcheries that produce more than 44 million fish each year. Many Ohio fishing opportunities would not be available without fish production, stocking, management, and research. Funding is provided by the sales of Ohio fishing licenses and the Sport Fish Restoration Act, a federal aid program supported through excise taxes on select fishing tackle and marine fuel.

