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General

1. Max. length 70 cm , common length 20 cm
2. Maximum weight 7500 g

Geography and Habitat

1. Native to most of Europe
2. Demersal, potamodromous; freshwater; brackish.
3. Temperate waters 4°C-24°C, 64°N-36°N, 10°W-104°E
4. Typically found in shallow, densely vegetated lakes and backwaters.
5. Overwinters buried in mud.
6. Adults inhabit warm lakes and pools with weed and mud bottom.
7. Tolerates low oxygen saturations.



Ecological and Economic Impacts

1. Adults often prey mainly on mollusks.
2. Human uses include commercial fisheries, aquaculture, gamefish, aquariums.

Management Difficulty

1. Medium, minimum population doubling time 1.4-4.4 years

Sources

1. <http://www.fishbase.org/Summary/SpeciesSummary.php?id=269>