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HOOK-SIZE REFERENCE FOR COMMON SUNFISHES (*Lepomis*)

SPECIES	QUALITY ADULTS		LARGE ADULTS		RARER BEASTS		BEST BET FOR ADULT	
	FISH SIZE	HOOK SIZE	FISH SIZE	HOOK SIZE	FISH SIZE	HOOK SIZE	FISH SIZE	HOOK SIZE
REDBREAST SUNFISH <i>Lepomis aurtus</i>	4-6.5 IN	10, 8	6.5-9.5 IN	6, 4	9.5+ IN	2, 1	9.5+ IN	8
GREEN SUNFISH <i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>	3-6.5 IN	12, 10, 8, 6	6.5-9.5 IN	4, 2	9.5+ IN	1, 1/0	9.5+ IN	8
PUMPKINSEED <i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>	4 - 7 IN	10, 8, 6	7-10 IN	6, 4	10+ IN	2	10+ IN	10
WARMOUTH <i>Lepomis gulosus</i>	4 - 6 IN	6, 4	6-8.5 IN	2, 1	8.5+ IN	1/0, 2/0	8.5+ IN	4
ORANGESPOTTED SUNFISH <i>Lepomis fumifis</i>	1.5-3.5 IN	22, 20, 18	3.5-6 IN	16, 14, 12	6+ IN	10, 8	6+ IN	20
BLUEGILL <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	5-8 IN	10, 8, 6	8-11 IN	6, 4, 2	11+ IN	2, 1	11+ IN	8
DOLLAR SUNFISH <i>Lepomis marginatus</i>	2.5-4.25 IN	20, 18, 16	4.25-5 IN	14, 12	5+ IN	10	5+ IN	18
LONGEAR SUNFISH <i>Lepomis megalotis</i>	3.5-5 IN	12, 10	5-7 IN	8, 6	7+ IN	6, 4	7+ IN	10
REDEAR SUNFISH <i>Lepomis microlophus</i>	5-8 IN	10, 8, 6	8-11 IN	6, 4, 2	11+ IN	2, 1	11+ IN	8
REDSPOTTED SUNFISH <i>Lepomis miniatus</i>	3-4.5 IN	16, 14, 12	4.5-6 IN	10, 8	6+ IN	8, 6	6+ IN	12
NORTHERN SUNFISH <i>Lepomis peltastes</i>	2.5-4 IN	20, 18, 16	4-5.5 IN	14, 12	5.5+ IN	10	5.5+ IN	18
SPOTTED SUNFISH <i>Lepomis punctatus</i>	3.5-6 IN	14, 12, 10	6-7.5 IN	8, 6	7.5+ IN	6, 4	7.5+ IN	12
BANTAM SUNFISH <i>Lepomis symmetricus</i>	1.75-2.5 IN	26, 24	2.5-3.5 IN	22, 20	3.5+ IN	18, 16	3.5+ IN	24

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