



# Interesting Facts About Recreational Activities On Lake Erie

## First: Fishing

There are over 50 known species of fish in Lake Erie. Some you may be familiar with, like our famous Walleye, Bass, and Catfish.

Others you may not be aware of, like the Quillback Carpsucker, Northern Hogsucker, or the Smallmouth Buffalo

Total Drama Island anyone?  
There are at least 36 "real" islands in Lake Erie, but an exact count depends on who you ask.

If you cut out artificial islands (Yes! they exist here!), islands that are now connected to the mainland, and islands that are completely submerged, the number drops to about 28.

## Second: Island Escape

## Third: Beaches

871 miles of shoreline total, 312 miles are in Ohio.  
There are over 169 public access areas for Ohioans.  
Lucas County claims 25 miles of coast and 28 access areas.  
The Lake Erie Coastal Ohio Trail follows 293 miles of shoreline, traveling past over 30 beaches before reaching Pennsylvania.

Kite Boarding  
Paddle Boarding  
Jet Ski Rentals

## Fourth: Water Sports

Kayaking  
Boating  
Fishing Charters

The Golden Walleye Tagged Fishing Tournament is worth \$100,000 this year!

Please don't forget to check [epa.ohio.gov](http://epa.ohio.gov) for fishing & swimming advisories. Especially if you fall into risk categories: women of child bearing age, elderly, and children under age 15.



<http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/fishing/fishing-lake-erie>  
<https://www.utoledo.edu/nsm/lec/pdfs/Lake%20Erie%20species%20list-1.pdf>  
<http://www.middlebass2.org/islandsinlakeerie.pdf>  
<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/OhioByways/Pages/LakeErieCoastalOhio.aspx>  
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