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Re: Brookie versus Brownie habitat ?

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That is a question. I would guess that the larger streams had different strains of brookies that did get larger when brookies were the only game in town. I have also observed in my local streams that have wild browns and brookies the browns push the brookies from the pools and the better runs and they are moved to poorer lies in shallow riffles where no fish get large. I have seen what is purported to be old tracings of mid 19th century pre-stocking brookies from NJ that were 20" long. Before smallmouth bass, rock bass, rainbow trout, and brown trout the brookies had no competition and the bigger ones could get the good lies and grow fat.