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Cover: Seasonal research assistant, Cora, holds one of the over 1,900 Atlantic salmon (two years old), which are raised at the Kensington State Fish Hatchery, specifically to provide a unique recreational opportunity for anglers in CT.

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INTRODUCTION

Recreational fishing is a healthy outdoor experience that is important to the quality of life for many of Connecticut's residents and is beneficial to the state's economy. With millions of fishing days enjoyed by adult anglers annually in Connecticut, the benefit to our economy is estimated to be approximately \$657.1 million dollars per year¹. Two priorities of the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's (DEEP) Fisheries Division are to conserve fish populations and provide equitable access to a diverse set of fishing opportunities.



To support high-quality fishing experiences or to accelerate the pace of restoration, the State of Connecticut stocks fish that are raised at one of three [State fish hatcheries](#) or in managed marshes, purchased with [Federal Sportfish Restoration](#) (SFR) funds, or captured during upstream migration. Currently, Brown Trout, Brook Trout, Rainbow Trout, Tiger Trout, Atlantic Salmon and Kokanee Salmon (a landlocked form of the anadromous Pacific Sockeye Salmon) are raised at one or more of the three State fish hatcheries. Other stocked species include Northern Pike (spawned in managed marshes and purchased from commercial vendors with SFR funds), Walleye and Channel Catfish (purchased from commercial vendors with SFR funds and/or State funds), and American Shad, Alewife, and Sea Lamprey (captured as they migrate into freshwater to spawn).



Connecticut's Stocked Fish:

TROUT: The Fisheries Division stocks trout into waters that have suitable habitat and are [open to public fishing](#). In general, the Fisheries Division stocks hundreds of thousands of catchable sized trout each year into approximately 150 rivers/streams and 100 lakes/ponds. Catchable sized trout can be adult (9-12 inches), "specialty" trout (12-14-inch range), or broodstock (weighing 2-10 pounds or more). In addition, tens of thousands more are stocked as yearlings (5-6 inches).

Quality trout fishing is available year-round in Connecticut. Trout distribution (stocking) generally begins in late February and continues until mid-May.



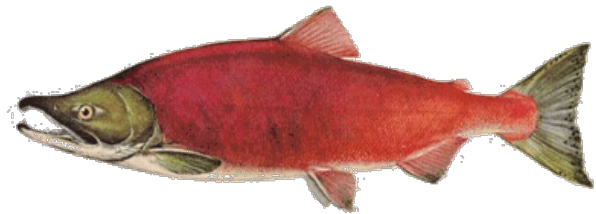
More than half the year's trout are stocked in their respective waters prior to the start of the "Catch and Keep" season (second Saturday of April). A subset of waters (including a number of Trout Management Areas) are stocked in September and October to enhance fall and winter trout fishing.

Innovative fish management tools such as minimum lengths, reduced creel limits, catch-and-release only areas and wild trout management areas are used to enhance angler opportunities in selected waters. Although these special management areas ([Trout Parks](#), [Trophy Trout Areas](#), [Trout Management Areas](#), [Trout Management Lakes](#) and [Wild Trout Management Areas](#)) are perhaps the most noticeable and popular trout fishing areas, two-thirds of the catchable-sized trout stocked in Connecticut are released into areas with no special management or regulations (where statewide regulations apply). [Maps](#)

¹ [Economic Contributions of Recreational Fishing](#), American Sportfishing Association by Southwick Associates, January 2019. [CT Summary](#).

[displaying stocking points](#) are available for over 200 locations on the DEEP web page.

KOKANEE: [Kokanee](#) are a land-locked form of the Pacific Sockeye Salmon first introduced to Connecticut in the 1930's. The Fisheries Division currently maintains a [Kokanee fishery](#) in West Hill Pond (New Hartford/Barkhamsted) and [East Twin Lake](#) (Salisbury). Each fall mature Kokanee are trap-netted and transported to the [Burlington State Fish Hatchery](#) for spawning. The eggs are incubated and after they hatch are reared until the fry are stocked in the spring. Fry surplus to the needs of West Hill and East Twin Lake are stocked in either Wononskopomuc (Salisbury) or Beach Pond (Voluntown/Exeter, RI) or both.



NORTHERN PIKE: [Northern Pike fisheries](#) are developed and maintained by stocking fingerlings (3 - 8") that are raised in managed marshes located in Haddam and Mansfield. Northern Pike fry growth and survival are maximized by managing the water level, vegetation type and by limiting predatory fish species. Within a few months, fingerlings are captured by lowering the water level in each of the marshes. In addition, the Fisheries Division purchases young Northern Pike from a commercial hatchery. The Fisheries Division has authorized the Lake Lillinonah Authority to stock yearlings in Lake Lillinonah.



WALLEYE: DEEP began to develop [Walleye fisheries](#) in 1993, which are supported through annual stockings of 4 - 6 inch fingerlings purchased using Federal Sportfish Restoration Funds. Walleye are stocked at rates of 8-15 fish per acre in each lake. The developing fishery in each lake is evaluated by monitoring the growth and abundance of Walleye and other fish species and by measuring angler effort and fishing success. In addition

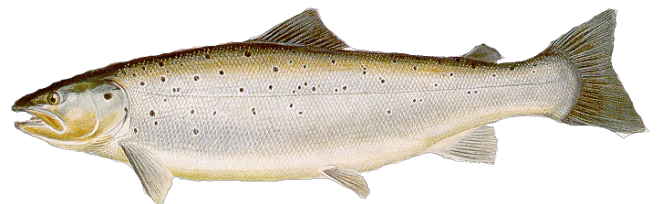
to fish purchased and stocked by DEEP, the South Central CT Regional Water Authority, Aquarion Water Company, and Town of East Hampton may also purchase Walleye with their own funds to stock into water company property waters and Lake Pocotopaug respectively.



CHANNEL CATFISH: Expanding upon the popularity of the [Channel Catfish fishery](#) in the Connecticut River and privately owned waters stocked by individuals, the Fisheries Division began stocking Channel Catfish in 2007. The Fisheries Division currently stocks Channel Catfish to provide a high-quality year-round fishery in select community fishing waters, which are in areas with high population density.



ATLANTIC SALMON: From 1992 to 2013, the Fisheries Division annually stocked over one million juvenile salmon (fry, parr, and smolts) as part of a multi-state and Federal effort to restore Atlantic Salmon to the Connecticut River watershed. The Federal effort concluded in 2013, however, the Fisheries Division still maintains salmon at the [Kensington State Fish Hatchery](#) to preserve the genetic integrity of the Connecticut River strain.



The Fisheries Division plans to stock approximately one hundred thousand newly hatched salmon fry into selected streams within the Farmington and Salmon River watersheds annually as part of a Legacy Program to ensure the continued presence of Atlantic Salmon in Connecticut. It is important to note that any juvenile or adult salmon occurring within the Farmington River, Salmon River, or anywhere else in the Connecticut River watershed are a result of these stockings. All salmon caught in these waters must be released immediately without avoidable injury.

To support the unique Atlantic Salmon recreational fishery that has been established in the State in the Shetucket River, Naugatuck River, and select lakes, the Fisheries Division is specifically producing about 1,500-2,000, 2-3 year old fish (average weight of 2-5 pounds) to stock in [Atlantic Salmon Management Areas](#). An additional 200-250 large (average weight of 10-15 pounds) Atlantic salmon are stocked for recreational

fishing after being spawned. Salmon are stocked into sections of the Naugatuck and Shetucket Rivers and selected lakes each fall. Harvest is allowed in these areas, refer to the [Connecticut Fishing Guide](#) for details.

ANADROMOUS SPECIES RESTORATION AND

ENHANCEMENT: DEEP is actively working to restore and enhance anadromous American Shad, Alewife and Sea Lamprey runs in Connecticut by removing obsolete dams, building fishways that allow fish to migrate past remaining dams, and transplanting pre-spawn adults from streams with healthy runs to targeted rivers having suitable habitat and water quality. Donor sites for these species include Bride Brook, for Alewife, and the Holyoke Dam fish lift on the Connecticut River in Massachusetts for American Shad and Sea Lamprey. These fish are trucked to streams targeted for restoration and released to reproduce naturally.



American Shad



Alewife



Sea Lamprey

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DEEP State Fish Hatcheries: The Fisheries Division manages three fish hatcheries, Burlington State Fish Hatchery (Burlington), Quinebaug Valley State Trout Hatchery (Plainfield), and Kensington State Fish Hatchery (Berlin). The staff at these hatcheries are charged with hatching, rearing, and distributing over 500,000 catchable trout and salmon and 300,000 fry, fingerlings, and eggs to support various Fisheries Division management goals. These three fish hatcheries produce all the trout and salmon stocked by the Fisheries Division.

Connecticut's state fish hatcheries have four key fish rearing areas, a hatch house (for hatching eggs and rearing the fry and fingerlings), intermediate tanks (fish 3-6 inches), final tanks (6-12 inches and 12+ inch specialty fish) and broodstock tanks (hold large fish that provide the eggs and milt [sperm] for production of future generations of stocked trout).

Burlington State Fish Hatchery

Address: 34 Belden Rd, Burlington, CT 06013

Hours: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Tours: Self-guided or by reservation

Phone: 860-673-2340



The [Burlington State Fish Hatchery](#) was constructed in 1923, making it our oldest operational fish hatchery. One of the many types of fish cultured at this hatchery is the “[survivor](#)” strain of Brown Trout. The idea behind the “survivor” program is to produce hatchery fish that more closely mimic the behavior of wild trout, are more temperature tolerant, have better avian predator avoidance, and will be able to reproduce successfully on their own. Fisheries Division staff collect potential broodstock from the West Branch Farmington River each fall and transfer these fish to the Burlington State Fish Hatchery. After spawning, the adults are returned to the river and their offspring raised and stocked approximately one year later. While research continues on the effectiveness of the program, the program has been successful as there were very few “wild” Brown Trout in the West Branch Farmington River prior to these efforts and now wild Brown Trout catches are commonplace. In addition, work conducted in the Housatonic River shows that “survivors” may indeed be more fit than the domestic Cortland strain stocked by the state. The Burlington State Fish Hatchery is the only State hatchery that rears [Kokanee](#) fry.



Quinebaug Valley State Trout Hatchery

Address: 141 Trout Hatchery Rd, Central Village, CT 06332

Hours: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Tours: Self-guided in the visitors center (the hatchery itself is not open to the public).

Phone: 860-564-7542

The [Quinebaug Valley State Trout Hatchery](#) is one of the largest trout production facilities on the East Coast. Built in 1971 at a cost of 2.5 million dollars and renovated in the mid 1990's, the hatchery is supplied by 11 wells that each produce 50-500 gallons per minute (gpm) and water recirculation pumps to provides another 1,000 gpm. This quantity of water allows the facility to produce an estimated 380,000 pounds of trout for distribution throughout public waterways in Connecticut and three million eggs. Quinebaug Valley State Trout Hatchery belongs to the National Broodstock Registry and as such can ship fish and eggs to other facilities.



Kensington State Fish Hatchery

Address: 120 Old Hatchery Rd, Kensington, CT 06037

Hours: Not open to the public

Phone: 860-829-8518

Constructed in 1934, the [Kensington State Fish Hatchery](#) is our second oldest hatchery in operation. One of the former functions of the Kensington State Fish Hatchery was to support Atlantic Salmon Restoration efforts. With Federal restoration efforts concluded (2013), DEEP maintains the “Legacy Program”. The legacy program will maintain enough Atlantic Salmon at our Kensington State Fish Hatchery to preserve genetic integrity of the Connecticut River strain. For over 45 years, biologists have been breeding adult salmon that have returned to the Connecticut River as part of the restoration program. Fish that were originally stocked to support restoration came from Maine, but over time, the genetic identity of the strain shifted as fish adapted to their new river. The current strain is the southernmost population of Atlantic Salmon and it is important to maintain this strain, not only to support CT’s Atlantic Salmon Legacy program but also to preserve this unique genetic resource, the importance of which may go beyond the boundaries of Connecticut.



Each year hatchery personnel spawns approximately 200 four-year-old salmon. After spawning these fish, which may weigh in excess of 20 pounds, they are stocked into the [Atlantic Salmon Management Areas](#) on the Naugatuck and Shetucket Rivers. Additionally, each year, just over 1,000 2–3-year-old salmon are raised and stocked specifically for the recreational Atlantic Salmon fishery on the Naugatuck and Shetucket Rivers as well as selected lakes. These fish provide an angling opportunity that attracts anglers worldwide. Surplus eggs are supplied to over 80 schools that participate in the Connecticut River Salmon Association’s [Salmon-In-Schools](#) program. Students are responsible for caring for the eggs until they hatch, feeding the fry, and then releasing them into local waters. The Kensington facility is pleased to support Trout Unlimited’s [Trout in The Classroom](#) project by providing Brown Trout eggs. Over 100 schools in Connecticut participate each year. The students monitor the eggs until they hatch and then release the fry into a local waterbody.

Connecticut's Hatchery Raised Trout



Brook Trout have a dark body with light spots and a worm-like pattern on the back, head, and sides. The lower fins are typically red-orange with a white leading edge. Stocked Brook Trout are typically less colorful than wild Brook Trout.



Brown Trout have a light body with dark spots. The lower fins are typically brown, tan, or nearly colorless and may have a white leading edge. Wild Brown Trout may have bright red and orange spots and an orange adipose fin (a fleshy fin located between the dorsal fin and the tail on trout and salmon). The tail is more rounded than forked. Brown Trout and Atlantic Salmon can look very similar.



Rainbow Trout have a light body with dark spots on the head and the tail. There is usually a pink-colored band along each side. The lower fins typically do not have a white leading edge.



Tiger Trout are a sterile hybrid produced with the eggs from a Brown Trout and the milt of a Brook Trout. Physical characteristics are a distinctive reticulated ("confused") pattern of light and dark markings on back and sides, which are somewhat like the wormlike markings on the back of a Brook Trout. Darker markings on the back and sides typically brownish or olive. There are also lighter markings of tan, greenish or yellowish. The lower flanks typically have a russet hue.

In addition to timely and interesting fisheries information, the FISHERIES DIVISION posts stocking information each afternoon during trout season and when Channel Catfish and Atlantic Salmon are stocked.



When and where are trout stocked?

To put you on the fish- check out our [interactive map](#) that tracks the number of days since a waterbody was last stocked. The purpose of this map is to provide the angling community with near real-time information on the Fisheries Division stocking and visually present where the stocked waters are located using the latest mapping technology. It is our intention that this information will help increase angler appreciation of the great fishing afforded through our stocking program.

Features:

- Search by town name or waterbody name
- Fixed Search (Query) Options
 - List all stocked waters
 - List all waters stocked within 1 day, 1 week, 1 month
 - List Trout Management Areas
 - List Trout Parks
 - List Community Fishing Waters
- Zoom in and out
- Custom print your area of interest
- Buttons to display a legend, information about the location, query options, and to change the base map
- “Buy my fishing license” link

Other sources of trout stocking information:

- [Current Stocking Report](#)
- Social Media Posts: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#)



Point your cell phone’s camera at this icon to open the interactive trout stocking map.

Have You Caught A Trophy Fish? Submit Your Catch in Real-Time Online.

The Fisheries Division would like you to submit your trophy catch using the recently released online [Angler Recognition System](#). Simply open the link to provide details about the fish, angler, and add up to four photos. Once your info is reviewed and approved your catch will join other great catches from anglers around CT visible in the [dashboard](#). Anglers have the option to download and print a customizable Trophy Fish Certificate (links are on the [Trophy Fish Award webpage](#))



Angler Recognition Form

The [Trophy Fish Award Program](#) recognizes and rewards angling skill. Please fill out the requested information to the best of your ability. You can upload up to 4 images of your fish.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Angler First Name:*

Angler Last Name:*

Conservation ID#:

Found on your fishing license.

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Age Category:*

Youth is under age 16 as of date of catch

Adult

Youth

Gender:*

Male

Female

Point your cell phone's camera at this icon to open the online Trophy Fish Award Submission Form.



2024 Stocking Summary:

Public Act 21-12 included language that removed the closed season for trout, thereby affording year-round access to Connecticut's trout resources. To support the spirit of the law, the Fisheries Division updated the inland sportfishing regulations in 2022 to remove the closed season on all waterbodies and created a period of statewide catch and release trout fishing (March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April).

The Fisheries Division stocked **1,264,570** fish in various waters throughout Connecticut in 2024. The remainder of this report provides the number of fish stocked by the Fisheries Division in various waterbodies throughout Connecticut. For additional details or questions regarding any of our stocking programs, please contact us at 860-424-FISH (3474) or by email at deep.inland.fisheries@ct.gov

Fish species (approximate size)	Total 2024
Atlantic Salmon, adults (18-32")	1,987
Atlantic Salmon, fry (< 1.5 ")	391,034
Atlantic Salmon, smolt (4-6")	100
American Shad, Juvenile (2-4")	26, 174
American Shad, adults (12-16")	610
Broodstock, all trout species (18-26")	2,174
Brook Trout, specialty (>12")	38,815
Brook Trout, standard (9-12")	61,518
Brown Trout, specialty (>12")	43,392
Brown Trout, standard (9- 12")	154,851
Brown Trout, yearlings (5-6")	27,050
Channel Catfish, adults (16-20")	9,258
Kokanee, fry (< 1.5")	180,000
Northern Pike, fingerlings (1-6")	30,511
Rainbow Trout, specialty (>12")	119,255
Rainbow Trout, standard (9-12")	142,875
Sea Lamprey, adults (24-30")	300
Tiger Trout (hybrid), >12"	14,435
Tiger Trout (hybrid), standard (9-12")	600
Walleye, fingerlings (4-10")	19,631

Trout stocked by the Fisheries Division:

SUMMARY OF CATCHABLE TROUT STOCKED IN 2024 (LISTED BY FISHERIES MANAGEMENT TYPE):

<i>By Management Type</i>											
<i>Standard Trout:</i>						<i>Specialty Trout</i>					
Management Type	Brown Yearling	Brook Adult	Brown Adult	Rainbow Adult	Tiger Adult	Brook >12"	Brown >12"	Rainbow >12"	Tiger >12"	Brood-stock	Total Trout
Community Fishing Waters	0	4,930	3,380	6,285	0	450	440	1,200	750	0	17,435
Trout Management Lakes	8,350	1,500	25,110	10,850	0	5,950	6,800	12,550	0	530	71,640
Trout Park Ponds	0	4,000	6,085	12,370	350	2,955	1,000	8,050	6,045	110	40,965
Lakes with No Special Management	3,700	5,954	29,501	28,825	0	5,875	2,610	10,135	1,300	150	88,050
Lake/Pond Totals	12,050	16,384	64,076	58,330	350	15,230	10,850	31,935	8,095	790	218,090
Enhanced Wild Trout Streams	1,000	1,700	6,945	18,450	0	1,000	950	5,975	515	50	36,585
Trophy Trout Managed Streams	0	4,500	5,150	5,250	0	1,935	8,502	18,965	850	375	45,527
Trout Park Streams	0	2,045	1,925	1,575	250	1,725	750	4,250	850	55	13,425
Trout Management Areas (TMAs)	14,000	9,459	17,615	22,345	0	3,920	15,085	29,520	1,650	596	114,190
Rivers with No Special Management	0	27,430	59,140	36,925	0	15,005	7,255	28,710	2,475	308	177,248
River/Stream Totals	15,000	45,134	90,775	84,545	250	23,585	32,542	87,420	6,340	1,384	386,975
Total Trout											
	27,050	61,518	154,851	142,875	600	38,815	43,392	119,355	14,435	2,174	605,065

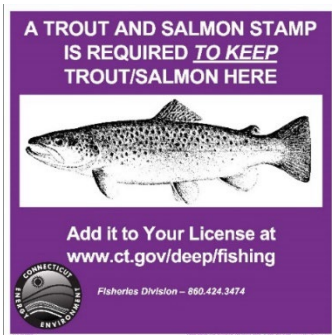
Trout and Salmon Stamp

Connecticut initiated a [Trout and Salmon Stamp](#) in 2018 in order to maintain its trout and salmon programs. The cost of the stamp is \$5 for everyone except those age 16-17 (\$3). The stamp is valid for an entire calendar year. The trout and salmon stamp is needed either to fish certain areas or to keep any trout or salmon. 100% of your investment in fishing licenses, stamps, and tags is required by law to support fisheries programs (CGS 26-15, 26-15a and 26-15b).



A Trout and Salmon Stamp is required for those age 16 or older to fish (even if fishing catch and release) within:

- A [Trout Management Area](#) (Rivers and Streams. Note: A stamp is NOT needed to fish in a Trout Management Lake)
- A [Wild Trout Management Area](#) (Classes 1, 2, and 3)
- A [Trout Park](#)
- An [Atlantic Salmon Management Area](#) (Naugatuck River and Shetucket River)



Everywhere else, the trout and salmon stamp is required for those age 16 or older to KEEP any trout or salmon.



Unless you are fishing in waters not stocked at the expense to the state (private fish and game clubs, private ponds). This means if you practice catch and release or accidentally catch and release a trout while fishing for another species, you are not required to have a trout and salmon stamp.



Lakes and Ponds Trout Summary

Column headers: BN = Brown Trout, BK = Brook Trout, RW = Rainbow Trout, Tiger = Tiger Trout, Brood = Broodstock, Y = yearling, A = adult.

Name	Town	BN (Y)	BK (A)	BN (A)	RW (A)	Tiger (A)	BK 12+	BN 12+	RW 12+	Tiger 12+	Brood	Total
Community Fishing Waters (15)												
	Beaver Park Pond/Lagoon	New Haven	0	380	400	400	0	0	0	0	0	1180
	Birge Pond	Bristol	0	500	500	330	0	0	0	0	0	1330
	Bunnells Pond (Beardsley Park Pond)	Bridgeport	0	900	0	1450	0	100	0	150	100	2700
	Center Springs Park Pond	Manchester	0	0	420	0	0	0	300	0	0	720
	Colony Park Pond	Ansonia	0	275	260	425	0	0	0	200	0	1160
	Freshwater Pond	Enfield	0	0	200	0	0	100	0	100	0	400
	Keney Park Pond	Hartford	0	550	50	500	0	0	200	0	0	1300
	Lake Wintergreen	Hamden	0	350	500	750	0	150	0	200	100	2050
	Mirror Lake (Hubbard Park Pond)	Meriden	0	750	375	775	0	0	0	0	0	1900
	Mohegan Park Pond (Spaulding Pond)*	Norwich	0	0	1000	1500	0	350	100	1325	780	5065
	Pickett's Pond	Derby	0	275	125	325	0	100	0	100	250	1175
	Rogers Park Pond	Danbury	0	150	100	150	0	0	0	0	0	400
	Rowan's Pond (Butternut Park Pond)	Middletown	0	250	150	200	0	0	0	0	0	600
	Stanley Quarter Park Pond	New Britain	0	350	100	550	0	0	240	450	0	1690
	Upper Fulton Park Pond	Waterbury	0	200	200	430	0	0	0	0	0	830
Trout Management Lakes (13)												
	Amos Lake	Preston	0	0	2250	500	0	150	0	1500	0	4400
	Black Pond	Woodstock	0	0	0	0	0	2350	0	0	150	2500

Name	Town	BN (Y)	BK (A)	BN (A)	RW (A)	Tiger (A)	BK 12+	BN 12+	RW 12+	Tiger 12+	Brood	Total
Candlewood Lake	Danbury, New Milford, New Fairfield, Sherman	0	0	6900	600	0	0	0	0	0	0	7500
Crystal Lake	Ellington	0	0	1400	1200	0	0	1300	750	0	40	4690
East Twin Lake	Salisbury	4175	0	1300	1700	0	0	1000	1400	0	35	9610
Highland Lake	Winchester	0	0	2500	1200	0	0	1500	2150	0	40	7390
Long Pond	North Stonington	0	0	1910	0	0	150	600	600	0	35	3295
Mohawk Pond	Cornwall, Goshen	0	0	0	0	0	2500	0	0	0	150	2650
Quonnipaug Lake	Guilford	0	0	1400	1300	0	0	0	1375	0	0	4075
Rogers Lake	Lyme, Old Lyme	0	0	1700	1500	0	500	0	1850	0	0	5550
Squantz Pond	New Fairfield, Sherman	0	0	2000	1050	0	0	800	450	0	40	4340
West Hill Pond	Barkhamsted, New Hartford	0	1500	2250	800	0	300	1600	1650	0	40	8140
Wononskopomuc Lake	Salisbury	4175	0	1500	1000	0	0	0	825	0	0	7500
Trout Park Ponds (11) 												
Black Rock Pond	Watertown	0	550	225	575	0	700	300	625	530	10	3515
Day Pond	Colchester	0	0	400	1150	0	325	100	1025	980	5	3985
Great Hollow Pond	Monroe	0	850	875	1225	0	50	0	525	530	15	4070
McGovern Pond	West Hartford	0	900	275	1225	0	100	0	300	450	10	3260
Mohegan Park Pond (Spaulding Pond)*	Norwich	0	0	1000	1500	0	350	100	1325	780	10	5065
Pasture Pond	Plainfield	0	0	340	400	0	450	0	350	350	10	1900
Schreeder Pond	Killingworth	0	0	700	370	350	350	500	1475	580	5	4330
Southford Falls Pond	Oxford, Southbury	0	650	775	1250	0	400	0	200	200	10	3485
Stratton Brook Park Pond	Simsbury	0	550	775	1275	0	100	0	575	530	10	3815
Valley Falls Park Pond	Vernon	0	0	0	2200	0	0	0	1225	650	15	4090
Wharton Brook Pond	Wallingford	0	500	720	1200	0	130	0	425	465	10	3450
Lakes and ponds with No Special Management (64) 												


Name	Town	BN (Y)	BK (A)	BN (A)	RW (A)	Tiger (A)	BK 12+	BN 12+	RW 12+	Tiger 12+	Brood	Total
Angus Park Pond (aka Eastbury Pond)	Glastonbury	0	0	0	1000	0	0	0	200	0	0	1200
Baldwin Pond	Meriden	0	0	100	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	550
Ball Pond	New Fairfield	0	200	900	200	0	600	0	400	0	0	2300
Bashan Lake	East Haddam	0	0	595	250	0	0	0	50	0	0	895
Baummer Pond	Naugatuck	0	250	50	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Beach Pond	Voluntown	0	0	700	400	0	500	600	400	0	35	2635
Beaver Brook Park Ponds	Windham	0	0	480	0	0	30	0	60	0	0	570
Bicentennial Pond	Mansfield	0	0	650	160	0	0	0	0	0	0	810
Bigelow Pond	Union	0	0	655	300	0	70	0	725	200	0	1950
Billings Lake	North Stonington	0	0	675	0	0	200	0	400	0	0	1275
Black Pond	Middlefield, Meriden	0	0	350	1210	0	450	200	730	200	40	3180
Black Rock Impoundment	Thomaston, Watertown	0	100	450	50	0	100	0	100	0	0	800
Branford Supply Pond	Branford	0	0	675	600	0	0	0	125	250	5	1655
Broad Brook Mill Pond	East Windsor	0	0	300	0	0	200	150	0	0	0	650
Cedar Lake	Chester	0	0	1640	1260	0	300	0	1000	0	30	4230
Christensen's Pond	Granby	0	300	300	550	0	0	0	450	0	0	1600
Colebrook Reservoir	Colebrook	0	0	2000	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	3500
Congamond Lakes	Suffield	0	0	600	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1100
Driscoll Pond	Voluntown	0	0	0	200	0	0	0	50	0	0	250
Fountain Lake	Seymour, Ansonia	0	335	365	700	0	0	0	0	0	0	1400
Gardner Lake	Salem, Bozrah, Montville	0	0	1400	950	0	250	0	0	0	0	2600
Gay City Park Pond	Hebron	0	0	325	0	0	150	0	200	0	0	675
Green Falls Reservoir	Voluntown	0	0	650	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	1000
Hancock Brook Impoundment	Plymouth	0	50	200	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Hanover Reservoir	Canterbury	0	0	150	0	0	0	150	150	0	0	450
Hewitt Fly Pond	North Stonington	0	0	300	300	0	225	0	200	0	0	1025
Higganum Reservoir	Haddam	0	0	461	0	0	350	0	0	0	0	811
Hop Brook Impoundment	Middlebury, Waterbury	0	200	250	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	900
Hopeville Pond	Griswold	0	0	175	100	0	0	0	75	100	0	450
Horse Pond	Salem	0	0	450	450	0	200	0	0	200	0	1300




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Howells Pond	Hartland	0	250	400	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1150
Keach Pond	Thompson	0	0	1100	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3100
Lake Saltonstall	Branford, East Haven	0	0	1150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1150
Lake Stibbs	Southbury	0	250	100	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	550
Lower Storrs Pumping Station Pond	Mansfield	0	160	100	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	360
Mad River Impoundment	Winchester	0	150	550	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	950
Mansfield Training Ponds	Mansfield	0	0	360	0	0	0	0	100	150	0	610
Mashapaug Lake	Union	0	0	1350	1300	0	0	0	1070	0	40	3760
Millers Pond	Durham	0	0	400	0	0	100	0	100	0	0	600
Mohegan Lake	Fairfield	0	300	350	800	0	0	0	0	0	0	1450
Moosup Pond	Plainfield	0	0	500	0	0	150	0	50	0	0	700
Mt. Tom Pond	Litchfield - Washington	0	759	400	1000	0	500	0	300	0	0	2959
Nells Rock Reservoir	Shelton	0	175	225	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Northfield Impoundment	Thomaston	0	150	150	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Pattaconk Lake	Chester	0	0	550	150	0	100	100	100	0	0	1000
Prospect Town Park Pond	Prospect	0	500	100	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	1000
Roseland Lake	Woodstock	0	0	540	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	540
Saint Martha's Pond	Enfield	0	0	200	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Salmon Brook Pond	Glastonbury	0	0	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Saugatuck Reservoir	Easton, Redding, Weston	3700	0	0	1500	0	0	800	0	0	0	6000
Scoville Reservoir	Wolcott	0	400	600	700	0	0	0	0	0	0	1700
Shenipsit Lake	Ellington, Tolland	0	0	300	600	0	0	0	100	0	0	1000
Somersville Mill Pond	Somers	0	0	350	0	0	100	0	0	200	0	650
Starret Pond	Redding	0	100	300	400	0	0	160	400	0	0	1360
Stillwater Pond	Torrington	0	250	250	850	0	500	0	0	0	0	1850
Twin Brooks Pond	Trumbull	0	150	50	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Tyler Pond	Goshen	0	500	200	400	0	0	0	450	0	0	1550
Uncas Lake	Lyme	0	0	630	360	0	500	0	250	0	0	1740
Walkers Reservoir	Vernon	0	0	0	710	0	0	0	300	0	0	1010
Wangumbaug Lake (Coventry Lake)	Coventry	0	0	200	500	0	250	0	500	0	0	1450


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Wauregan Reservoir	Killingly	0	0	600	1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1600
West Branch Reservoir	Colebrook	0	0	550	400	0	0	300	750	0	0	2000
West Side Pond	Goshen	0	425	300	675	0	0	0	150	0	0	1550
Wyassup Lake	North Stonington	0	0	500	600	0	50	150	200	0	0	1500

Rivers, Streams, and Brooks Summary

Column headers: BN = Brown Trout, BK = Brook Trout, RW = Rainbow Trout, Tiger = Tiger Trout, Brood = Broodstock, Y = yearling, A = adult.

Name	Town	BN (Y)	BK (A)	BN (A)	RW (A)	Tiger (A)	BK 12+	BN 12+	RW 12+	Tiger 12+	Brood	Total
Enhanced Wild Trout Streams (14)												
												
Beacon Hill Brook	Bethany, Naugatuck	0	0	0	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Blackberry River	Canaan, Norfolk	0	500	900	900	0	0	0	250	265	10	2825
East Aspetuck River	New Milford, New Preston	0	600	1250	2000	0	0	0	0	250	5	4105
Farm River (Lower)	East Haven	0	0	650	0	0	300	300	800	0	5	2055
Fenton River	Mansfield	0	0	0	3250	0	0	0	2300	0	0	5550
Little River	Oxford, Seymour	0	0	0	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1500
Macedonia Brook (State Park)	Kent	0	0	0	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1500
Morgan Brook	Barkhamsted	0	0	0	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Naugatuck River, E. Branch	Torrington, Winchester	0	400	100	375	0	0	300	75	0	0	1250
Norwalk River	Ridgefield, Norwalk	0	200	1800	3275	0	0	350	300	0	10	5935
Roaring Brook	Glastonbury	0	0	945	1000	0	0	0	350	0	0	2295
Roaring Brook	Stafford, Willington	0	0	0	500	0	0	0	700	0	0	1200
Salmon Brook	Glastonbury	1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1000
Salmon Brook, including E. Branch	Granby, East Granby	0	0	0	3350	0	0	0	800	0	15	4165

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Shunock Brook	North Stonington	0	0	1300	100	0	700	0	400	0	5	2505
Trophy Trout Areas (8)												
Natchaug River	Eastford, Chaplin, Windham	0	850	925	1400	0	950	2797	5225	0	105	12252
Naugatuck River (Lower)	Waterbury, Beacon Falls	0	400	425	600	0	0	435	785	350	25	3020
Naugatuck River (Mid)	Thomaston, Waterbury	0	400	400	300	0	0	370	755	0	25	2250
Naugatuck River (Upper)	Harwinton, Litchfield, Torrington	0	500	400	150	0	0	420	650	0	25	2145
Pequonnock River (Trumbull Basin)	Trumbull	0	500	300	600	0	100	830	1250	200	30	3810
Pomperaug River	Woodbury, Southbury	0	1450	1000	1050	0	0	1750	2750	0	25	8025
Salmon River	Colchester	0	400	300	300	0	885	400	3200	300	70	5855
Shetucket River	Windham, Scotland, Sprague	0	0	1400	850	0	0	1500	4350	0	70	8170
Trout Park Streams (5)												
Branch Brook	Watertown	0	350	50	400	0	150	0	0	100	0	1050
Chatfield Hollow Brook	Killingworth	0	0	350	120	250	700	350	550	150	5	2475
Eight Mile Brook (Southford Falls State Park)	Oxford, Southbury	0	270	200	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	520
Kent Falls Brook	Kent	0	575	325	205	0	0	0	0	100	0	1205
Natchaug River	Eastford	0	850	1000	800	0	875	400	3700	500	50	8175
Trout Management Areas (19)												
Farmington River (Goodwin Dam to West BR. TMA boundary)	Hartland, Barkhamsted	0	1450	1750	1950	0	0	480	2950	0	80	8660

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Farmington River (West Br. TMA)	Barkhamsted, New Hartford	4000	0	3900	2000	0	0	2400	0	0	90	12390
Farmington River (West Br. TMA to Collinsville)	New Hartford, Canton	0	1399	1950	2250	0	0	2000	4100	0	79	11778
Farmington River (Collinsville to RT 177)	Avon, Canton, Farmington	0	1100	855	975	0	70	2345	4305	0	67	9717
Hammonasset River	Madison, Killingworth	0	500	650	900	0	650	400	1900	150	20	5170
Hockanum River	Manchester	4000	400	200	1000	0	300	450	700	0	0	7050
Housatonic River, Bull's Bridge	Kent, Sherman, New Milford	0	0	0	1000	0	0	0	400	0	0	1400
Housatonic River, Upper	Cornwall, Sharon	3000	0	2000	4000	0	0	5000	4000	0	0	18000
Mianus River	Greenwich, Stamford	0	950	850	830	0	0	0	300	250	20	3200
Mill River (Sleeping Giant State Park)	Hamden	0	450	600	550	0	350	0	1325	0	20	3295
Mill River	Fairfield	0	0	0	1250	0	0	0	500	250	20	2020
Moosup River	Plainfield	0	350	500	650	0	500	0	800	150	20	2970
Naugatuck River	Harwinton, Litchfield	0	600	600	500	0	0	650	1400	0	30	3780
Pequabuck River	Bristol	3000	200	320	450	0	0	0	200	0	5	4175
Salmon River	Colchester	0	820	790	740	0	1300	760	5090	150	90	9740
Saugatuck River (Fly)	Westport	0	790	750	650	0	0	100	400	200	15	2905
Tenmile River	Kent, Sherman	0	0	600	300	0	0	500	100	0	0	1500
Willimantic River	Tolland, Willington	0	0	800	1475	0	0	0	100	250	20	2645
Yantic River	Bozrah	0	450	500	875	0	750	0	950	250	20	3795
Stream Sections with No Special Management (102)												
												
Aspetuck River	Easton, Fairfield, Weston	0	100	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Bantam River, Inlet	Litchfield	0	800	550	350	0	0	0	0	0	10	1710
Bantam River, Outlet	Litchfield, Morris	0	800	400	650	0	0	0	0	0	10	1860
Bantam River, West Branch of Inlet	Goshen, Litchfield	0	100	200	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Bartlett Brook	Lebanon	0	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350

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Beaver Brook (incl. Ponds)	Franklin, Sprague	0	0	400	375	0	65	0	75	0	0	915
Bible Rock Brook	Haddam	0	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Bigelow Brook	Ashford, Eastford	0	0	400	750	0	400	50	275	0	0	1875
Blackledge River (Lower)	Marlborough	0	1200	1800	0	0	550	300	850	200	10	4910
Blackledge River (Upper)	Bolton, Hebron	0	300	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	605
Blackwells Brook	Brooklyn, Plainfield	0	330	300	0	0	300	0	200	0	0	1130
Branford River	Branford	0	0	1140	0	0	0	200	950	0	0	2290
Broad Brook	Preston	0	0	300	300	0	300	0	175	0	0	1075
Bungee Brook	Eastford	0	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Butternut Brook	Litchfield	0	350	170	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	670
Byram River	Greenwich	0	300	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Choate Brook	Preston	0	0	100	100	0	300	0	150	0	0	650
Coginchaug River	Durham, Middlefield	0	800	600	500	0	500	0	1100	0	0	3500
Dickenson Creek	Marlborough	0	0	800	750	0	100	150	250	0	5	2055
East Swamp Brook	Bethel, Danbury	0	0	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Eight Mile Brook, Open	Middlebury - Southbury	0	400	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Eight Mile River	Salem, East Haddam, Lyme	0	600	1300	450	0	400	0	100	150	10	3010
Eight Mile River (East Branch)	Salem, East Haddam, Lyme	0	100	425	0	0	300	0	25	0	5	855
Falls River	Essex	0	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Farm River (upper)	North Branford	0	0	0	1000	0	0	0	800	0	5	1805
Farmill River	Shelton	0	550	750	800	0	0	0	0	0	5	2105
Farmington River	Bloomfield, Simsbury	0	200	650	220	0	0	0	0	0	10	1080
Farmington River	Avon, Canton, Farmington	0	700	1300	2350	0	0	855	1400	0	16	6621
Five Mile River (Lower)	Thompson, Putnam, Killingly	0	0	0	1400	0	900	650	1700	0	5	4655
Five Mile River (Upper)	Thompson	0	0	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
French River	Thompson	0	0	300	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	650
Furnace Brook	Stafford	0	0	600	0	0	150	0	125	0	0	875

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Green Falls River	North Stonington, Voluntown	0	0	700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Hall Meadow Brook	Torrington, Goshen	0	400	250	600	0	0	0	0	0	0	1250
Hammonasset River	Clinton, Madison, Killingworth	0	500	1700	200	0	1150	200	1050	0	10	4810
Hop Brook	Middlebury	0	400	550	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	1200
Hop River	Bolton, Coventry	0	300	1400	500	0	700	0	750	0	5	3655
Indiantown Brook	Preston, Ledyard	0	0	1400	0	0	0	0	150	0	0	1550
Jeremy River	Colchester, Hebron	0	0	1200	700	0	200	650	650	250	2	3652
Kettletown Brook	Southbury	0	150	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Kitt Brook	Canterbury	0	700	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	900
Latimer Brook	East Lyme	0	0	1400	0	0	650	0	500	0	5	2555
Leadmine Brook	Harwinton, Thomaston	0	850	1300	800	0	0	0	0	0	5	2955
Little River	Canterbury, Sprague	0	800	550	600	0	800	0	450	0	0	3200
Mad River	Norfolk, Winchester	0	175	300	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	775
Mashamoquet Brook	Pomfret	0	500	450	500	0	150	0	50	150	5	1805
Mianus River	Greenwich, Stamford	0	450	570	300	0	0	0	0	0	10	1330
Middle River	Stafford	0	0	700	200	0	0	0	200	0	0	1100
Mill Brook	Woodstock	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Mill River	Fairfield, Easton	0	400	670	450	0	0	0	0	0	10	1530
Mill River	Hamden	0	600	1200	650	0	715	0	1535	0	10	4710
Moosup River	Plainfield, Sterling	0	800	1225	400	0	550	0	250	0	10	3235
Morrissey Brook	New Milford, Sherman	0	200	400	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	630
Mount Hope River	Ashford, Mansfield	0	0	2400	800	0	1100	600	1400	0	5	6305
Mount Misery Brook	Voluntown	0	0	400	450	0	0	0	200	0	0	1050
Muddy River	North Haven, Wallingford	0	500	650	850	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000
Myron Kinnie Brook	Voluntown	0	0	400	550	0	0	0	250	0	0	1200
Naugatuck River, West Branch	Torrington	0	200	50	175	0	0	150	25	0	0	600
Nepaug River	New Hartford	0	250	550	200	0	0	0	0	0	5	1005
Nonewaug River	Bethlehem, Woodbury	0	500	325	350	0	0	0	0	0	5	1180
Northfield Brook	Litchfield, Thomaston	0	50	200	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	300

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Oxoboxo Brook	Montville	0	150	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Pachaug River	Griswold, Voluntown	0	0	400	1400	0	200	200	1050	0	0	3250
Pattaconk Brook	Chester	0	0	0	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Pequabuck River (Rockwell Park - Blvd.)	Bristol	0	600	750	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1850
Pequonnock River (Beardsley Park)	Bridgeport	0	400	295	875	0	0	0	0	100	10	1680
Pequonnock River, Open	Trumbull, Bridgeport	0	850	350	1100	0	0	0	0	0	10	2310
Pequonnock River, West Branch	Monroe	0	150	100	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Pond Brook	Newtown	0	150	450	150	0	0	0	0	0	5	755
Ponset Brook	Haddam	0	0	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Pootatuck River (Lower)	Newtown	0	400	605	250	0	0	0	0	0	5	1260
Quanduck Brook	Sterling	0	0	300	400	0	300	0	150	0	0	1150
Quinebaug River	Plainfield, Thompson, Putnam, Killingly, Griswold, Lisbon, Preston, Canterbury	0	0	4700	200	0	495	400	5225	150	6	11176
Quinnipiac River	Cheshire, Meriden	0	0	930	500	0	950	0	300	0	5	2685
Reservoir Brook	Portland	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Rippowam River	Stamford	0	650	425	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	1275
Salmon Brook, West Branch	Granby	0	200	250	550	0	0	0	50	0	0	1050
Sandy Brook	Colebrook	0	600	750	650	0	0	0	0	0	5	2005
Saugatuck River, Lower	Weston, Westport	0	600	550	750	0	0	0	0	0	10	1910
Saugatuck River, Upper	Danbury, Redding	0	650	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	10	2060
Saugatuck River, West Branch	Wilton, Westport	0	325	250	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	775
Sawmill Brook	Sherman	0	100	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Scantic River (Lower)	East Windsor	0	200	600	300	0	0	800	900	300	2	3102
Scantic River (Upper)	Somers, Enfield	0	800	1150	950	0	1200	900	2300	875	2	8177
Shepaug River	Roxbury	0	100	275	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	675
Skungamaug River	Coventry, Tolland	0	0	600	900	0	200	400	600	0	10	2710

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Snake Meadow Brook	Killingly	0	0	200	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Still River	Barkhamsted, Colebrook	0	200	250	100	0	0	0	0	0	5	555
Still River	Danbury	0	100	110	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	360
Still River	Eastford	0	0	900	0	0	250	0	100	300	0	1550
Stony Brook	Suffield	0	0	200	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Susquetonscut Brook	Franklin	0	0	200	200	0	200	0	200	0	0	800
Taylor Brook	Woodstock	0	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Ten Mile River	Lebanon, Columbia	0	0	800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Weekepeeemee River	Woodbury	0	500	525	250	0	0	0	0	0	5	1280
Wepawaug River	Milford, Orange	0	600	550	550	0	0	0	0	0	5	1705
West River	Guilford	0	0	400	600	0	30	250	150	0	0	1430
Whetstone Brook	Killingly	0	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Whitfords Brook	Ledyard, Stonington	0	0	500	0	0	0	100	200	0	0	800
Willimantic River (above TMA)	Stafford	0	0	900	600	0	200	200	650	0	10	2560
Willimantic River (below TMA)	Mansfield, Coventry, Windham	0	0	1700	1500	0	200	200	700	0	10	4310
Yantic River	Lebanon, Bozrah	0	150	1450	150	0	500	0	500	0	10	2760



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Connor Castagna	9
Serena Das	9
Jacoby Silvia	9
Jackson Biroscak	8
Cameron Das	7
Jaylin Biroscak	6
Noah Savin	6
Karoline Mayer	5
Mason DeRubeis	3
Evan Howell	3
Cameron Falanga	2
Kane Mayer	2
Jacob Racine	1



Congratulations to the 2024 Top Anglers! Each will receive a generous prize pack of great fishing related goodies.

To take part in the fishing challenge:

1. Get or renew your FREE [Youth Fishing Passport](#) via [DEEP's licensing system](#).
2. Submit each catch from the Youth Fishing Passport [Scorecard](#) using the online [Angler Recognition System](#) (select Fishing Challenge as in the "recognition sought" field).

Other fish stocked by the Fisheries Division:

Several species of fish, some of which are not of catchable size, are stocked to provide a diversity of angling experiences, to enhance naturalized populations, and to work towards restoration of populations of fish migrating from sea to freshwater to spawn (anadromous). The number of these fish are provided in the following tables.

Atlantic Salmon:

Atlantic Salmon Adults (5)		Adults
Crystal Lake	Ellington	120
Mount Tom Pond	Litchfield, Morris, Washington	120
Naugatuck River (Lower)	Naugatuck, Beacon Falls	436
Naugatuck River (Upper)	Harwinton, Litchfield	466
Shetucket River	Windham, Scotland, Sprague	845
Total Atlantic Salmon Adults (Due to high flows in December of 2023, 105 fish were not stocked until January 2024. Those fish are included here).		1,987

Kokanee Fry:

Kokanee Fry (3)		Fry
Beach Pond	Voluntown	80,000
East Twin Lake	Salisbury	50,000
West Hill Pond	Barkhamsted, New Hartford	50,000
Total Kokanee Fry		180,000

Channel Catfish: Stocking of channel catfish returned in the fall of 2024.

Channel Catfish (16)		Adults
Bunnell's Pond (Beardsley Park Pond)	Bridgeport	843
Beaver Park Lagoon (North side)	New Haven	443
Center Springs Park Pond	Manchester	441
Colony Pond	Ansonia	443
Crescent Lake	Southington	843
Freshwater Pond	Enfield	443
Keney Park Pond	Hartford	443
Lakewood Lake	Waterbury	843
Lake Wintergreen	Hamden	575
Mirror Lake (Hubbard Park Pond)	Meriden	443
Picketts Pond	Derby	442
Rogers Park Pond	Danbury	443
Rowans Pond (Butternut Park Pond)	Middletown	443
Spaulding Pond (Mohegan Park Pond)	Norwich	842
Stanley Quarter Park Pond	New Britain	443
Wharton Brook Park Pond (Allen Pond)	North Haven/Wallingford	443
Total Channel Catfish Adults		9,258

Northern Pike:

Northern Pike (4)		Fingerlings
Bantam Lake	Litchfield, Morris	11,937
Mansfield Hollow Lake	Mansfield	3,771
Pachaug Pond	Voluntown	4,155
Winchester Lake	Winchester	10,648
Total Northern Pike		30,511

Walleye:

Walleye (12)		Fingerlings
Batterson Park Pond	Farmington	670
Beach Pond	Voluntown	1,765
Coventry Lake (Wangumbaug Lake)	Coventry	558
Gardner Lake	Salem	2,485
Lake Pocotapaug*	East Hampton	1,484
Lake Saltonstall*	East Haven	1,603
Lake Zoar	Derby-Oxford	4,245
Long Pond	North Stonington	505
Mashapaug Lake	Union	1,423
Mt. Tom Pond	Litchfield-Washington	250
Saugatuck Reservoir*	Redding-Weston	3,398
Squantz Pond	New Fairfield	1,245
Total Walleye Fingerlings		
*These fish were purchased by the South Central Regional Water Authority, Aquarion Water Company, or the Town of East Hampton.		19,631

Migratory Fish Species Stocking

Several species of fish migrate upstream through Connecticut's tidal rivers to spawn (anadromous). As part of Connecticut's early industrialization, dams were constructed across many rivers and streams, blocking access to upstream spawning and juvenile habitat. The Fisheries Division has several strategies to restore access to the upstream habitat and accelerate the pace of restoration. These include construction of fishway or removing dams and other man-made barriers, stocking fry and parr (trout and salmon), and transporting captured adults (American Shad, Alewife, and Sea Lamprey) around barriers that lack fish passage.



Atlantic Salmon (5)		Fry	Smolts
Blackledge River	Colchester/Marlborough	15,600	
Dickenson Creek	Colchester	5,815	
Farmington River, West Branch	New Hartford/Barkhamsted	288,107	
Jeremy River	Colchester	26,390	
Salmon River	Colchester	62,322	100
Total Atlantic Salmon Fry and Smolts		391,034	100

American Shad (1)		Juvenile	Adult	Shad
Shetucket River	Windham	26,174	610	26,784
Total Shad Adults				26,784

Sea Lamprey (2)				Adult
Eightmile River	Lyme			150
Merrick Brook	Scotland			150
Total Sea Lamprey Adults				300

Relocations

The following waters had fish relocation efforts, which are undertaken to support conservation or to restore the fish community.

- **Kent Falls Brook (Kent)** – 203 Brown Trout were collected from upstream of the falls and relocated to below the falls within the trout park as part of an experimental project to improve the Brook Trout population (by removing competition from Brown Trout).
- **Turkey Hill Brook (Waterbury)** – Seven (7) pre-spawn Brook Trout adults were relocated from below a culvert (upstream migration barrier) to above the culvert in an attempt to recolonize the upstream reach with Brook Trout.
- **Wyassup Lake (North Stonington)** – 160 Smallmouth Bass were collected from a reservoir, closed to the public, in northwest CT. The fish were transported to Wyassup Lake in North Stonington. The Fisheries Division has enhanced spawning habitat within Wyassup Lake by adding nest boxes and half-log structure.
- **Stanley Quarter Park Pond (New Britain)** – Nine (9) Largemouth Bass and 84 Bluegills were captured in Batterson Park Pond and relocated to Stanley Quarter Park Pond as part of restocking efforts following completion of the pond dredging project.



Anglers, Thank You for Your Support!



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So the next time you catch a Walleye, Brown Trout, or Striped Bass, see a Bald Eagle, harvest a white-tail deer, pheasant, or turkey, give yourself and your fellow sportsmen and sportswomen a pat on the back!

Together we are making a difference and we thank you for your support!

