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Cover: Officer Jesse Nivolo, Division of State Environmental Conservation Police, assists with stocking trophy Brook Trout into Mohawk Pond, Cornwall. These specialty fish are produced at the Quinebaug Valley State Fish Hatchery in Plainfield, CT and stocked into both Mohawk Pond (Cornwall/Goshen) and Black Pond (Woodstock) to provide trophy brook trout fishing opportunity in a remote setting.

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 a 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), tiger muskie (provided by Charles O. Hayford State Fish Hatchery in Hackettstown, New Jersey), American Shad, Alewife, and Sea Lamprey (captured as they migrate into freshwater to spawn).



Connecticut's Stocked or Relocated 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 several 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

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

regulations (where statewide regulations apply). [Maps 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. Any surplus fry may be 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 inches) that are raised in a managed marsh located in 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 the marsh. In addition, the Fisheries Division purchases young Northern Pike from a commercial hatchery in Minnesota. 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 waters on water company property 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.

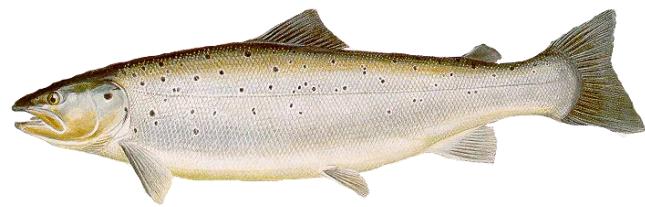


ATLANTIC SALMON: From 1992 to 2013, the Fisheries Division annually stocked over one million juvenile salmon (fry, parr, and smolts) as part of a multi-state and Federal effort to restore Atlantic Salmon to the Connecticut River watershed. The Federal effort concluded in 2013, however, the Fisheries 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 Connecticut's 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.

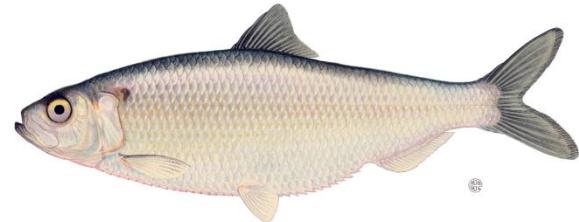


ANADROMOUS SPECIES RESTORATION AND

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 Alewives, 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 (except for Lake Trout).

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 Brown Trout 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 visitor 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 produce 50-500 gallons per minute (gpm) each and water recirculation pumps to provide another 1,000 gpm. This quantity of water allows the facility to produce an estimated three million eggs from which 380,000 pounds of trout for distribution throughout public waterways in Connecticut. 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 Atlantic 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 spawn approximately 200 four-year-old Atlantic Salmon. After spawning these fish, which may weigh in excess of 20 pounds, 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 also 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.



The Kensington Fish Hatchery produced just under 600 massive Brook Trout (between 3-5 pounds and 16-20 inches) in 2025. They were stocked into 10 waterbodies (5 lakes/ponds & 5 rivers) between October 1st – October 28th. This is a 200% increase from 2024 and we have a goal of producing 1,000 in 2026.

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.

2025 Stocking Summary:

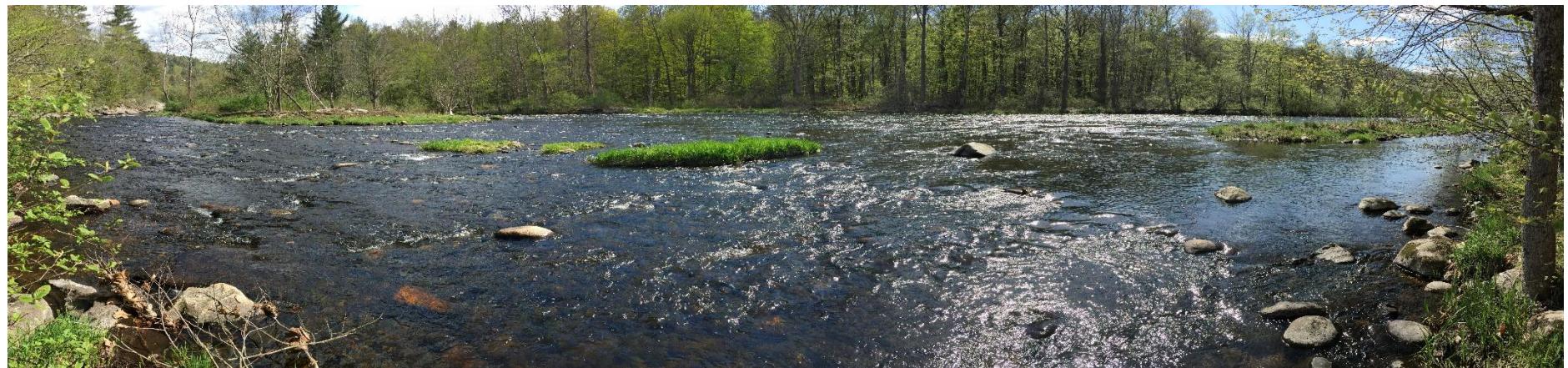
The Fisheries Division stocked **1,136,069** fish in various waters throughout Connecticut in 2025. The remainder of this report provides the number of fish stocked by the Fisheries Division in various waterbodies throughout Connecticut. For additional details or questions regarding any of our stocking programs, please contact us at 860-424-FISH (3474) or by email at deep.inland.fisheries@ct.gov

Fish species (approximate size)	Total 2025
Alewife, adults (6-9")	4,350
Atlantic Salmon, adults (18-32")	1,855
Atlantic Salmon, fry (< 1.5 ")	223,894
Atlantic Salmon, smolt (4-6")	500
American Shad, adults (12-16")	840
Broodstock, all trout species (18-26")	2,574
Brook Trout, specialty (>12")	52,510
Brook Trout, standard (9-12")	54,930
Brown Trout, specialty (>12")	93,746
Brown Trout, standard (9- 12")	119,821
Brown Trout, yearlings (5-6")	20,550
Channel Catfish, adults (16-20")	9,399
Kokanee, fry (< 1.5")	180,000
Lake Trout, adult (22-30")	296
Northern Pike, fingerlings (1-6")	22,297
Rainbow Trout, specialty (>12")	108,483
Rainbow Trout, standard (9-12")	195,756
Sea Lamprey, adults (24-30")	150
Tiger Trout (hybrid), >12"	4,625
Tiger Trout (hybrid), standard (9-12")	13,750
Tiger Muskie (hybrid), yearlings (811")	1,515
Walleye, fingerlings (4-10")	24,234

Trout stocked by the Fisheries Division:

SUMMARY OF CATCHABLE TROUT STOCKED IN 2025 (LISTED BY FISHERIES MANAGEMENT TYPE):

	Adult-size Trout:					Specialty trout:					Brood-stock	Total Trout
	Brown Yearling	Brook Adult	Brown Adult	Rainbow Adult	Tiger Adult	Brook >12"	Brown >12"	Rainbow >12"	Tiger >12"			
Community Ponds	0	4,645	2,950	8,780	500	400	0	800	0	21	18,096	
Trout Management Lakes	2,000	2,200	11,350	16,200	0	5,105	14,195	8,750	0	880	60,680	
Trout Park Ponds	0	5,475	5,625	19,775	5,975	3,040	3,730	7,525	0	168	51,313	
Lakes with No Special Management	1,000	9,500	25,900	39,680	1,050	5,150	11,445	9,575	0	175	103,475	
Pond Totals	3,000	21,820	45,825	84,435	7,525	13,695	29,370	26,650	0	1,244	233,564	
Enhanced Wild Trout Streams												
	1,500	2,935	5,575	18,305	350	610	2,200	7,500	350	50	39,375	
	0	1,075	3,800	8,375	700	4,225	13,889	16,324	850	370	49,608	
	0	1,125	1,714	2,400	975	2,650	1,830	2,325	300	37	13,356	
	16,050	6,500	21,025	24,965	1,200	5,780	19,057	26,217	2,425	493	123,712	
Rivers with No Special Management	0	21,475	41,882	57,276	3,000	25,550	27,400	29,467	700	380	207,130	
River Totals	17,550	33,110	73,996	111,321	6,225	38,815	64,376	81,833	4,625	1,330	433,181	
Total Trout	20,550	54,930	119,821	195,756	13,750	52,510	93,746	108,483	4,625	2,574	666,745	



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- North	New Haven	450	100	750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1300
Birge Pond	Bristol	450	450	500	0	0	0	100	0	0	2	1502
Bunnells Pond (Beardsley Park Pond)	Bridgeport	350	400	1300	100	200	0	0	0	0	0	2350
Center Springs Park Pond	Manchester	0	200	125	0	0	0	125	0	5	455	
Colony Park Pond	Ansonia	225	125	750	200	0	0	100	0	2	1402	
Freshwater Pond	Enfield	0	200	0	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	400
Keney Park Pond	Hartford	300	150	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	900
Lake Wintergreen	Hamden	350	400	900	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1650
Mirror Lake (Hubbard Park Pond)	Meriden	450	450	600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1500
Mohegan Park Pond (Spaulding Pond)*	Norwich	Values are reported under Tout Parks										
Pickett's Pond	Derby	250	25	750	200	0	0	150	0	2	1377	
Rogers Park Pond	Danbury	150	50	325	0	0	0	125	0	5	655	
Rowan's Pond (Butternut Park Pond)	Middletown	250	50	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Stanley Quarter Park Pond	New Britain	1070	200	1280	0	0	0	200	0	5	2755	
Upper Fulton Park Pond	Waterbury	350	150	750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1250
Trout Management Lakes (13)												
Amos Lake	Preston	0	2100	2100	0	200	2000	1000	0	0	7400	
Black Pond	Woodstock	0	0	0	0	2240	300	0	0	350	2890	
Candlewood Lake	Danbury, New Milford, New Fairfield, Sherman	0	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1500	
Crystal Lake	Ellington	0	400	1600	0	0	2070	2000	0	30	6100	

East Twin Lake	Salisbury	1000	500	1650	1200	0	0	2170	1650	0	30	8200
Highland Lake	Winchester		0	1900	2900	0	0	3070	1400	0	30	9300
Long Pond	North Stonington		0	0	350	0	0	1120	350	0	30	1850
Mohawk Pond	Cornwall, Goshen		0	0	0	0	2315	0	0	0	350	2665
Quonnipaug Lake	Guilford		0	450	1150	0	200	450	300	0	0	2550
Rogers Lake	Lyme, Old Lyme		0	800	900	0	150	975	900	0	0	3725
Squantz Pond	New Fairfield, Sherman		0	950	2000	0	0	870	0	0	30	3850
West Hill Pond	Barkhamsted, New Hartford		1700	1600	3000	0	0	1170	1150	0	30	8650
Wononskopolomuc Lake	Salisbury	1000	0	0	1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000
Trout Park Ponds (11)												
Black Rock Pond	Watertown		1450	675	2325	725	50	550	150	0	15	5940
Day Pond	Colchester		75	275	1825	650	300	600	1400	0	10	5135
Great Hollow Pond	Monroe		825	425	1925	725	200	300	150	0	15	4565
McGovern Pond	West Hartford		750	350	925	150	0	100	575	0	17	2867
Mohegan Park Pond (Spaulding Pond)*	Norwich		75	275	1825	650	990	900	1150	0	10	5875
Pasture Pond	Plainfield		75	375	675	225	100	400	1150	0	15	3015
Schreeder Pond	Killingworth		375	1075	675	650	1150	255	850	0	15	5045
Southford Falls Pond	Oxford, Southbury		725	600	1975	475	0	525	250	0	23	4573
Stratton Brook Park Pond	Simsbury		550	700	1950	725	0	100	300	0	13	4338
Valley Falls Park Pond	Vernon		0	0	3300	250	0	0	1550	0	25	5125
Wharton Brook Pond	Wallingford		575	875	2375	750	250	0	0	0	10	4835
Lakes and ponds with No Special Management (67)												
Angus Park Pond (aka Eastbury Pond)	Glastonbury		0	0	1450	0	0	100	150	0	5	1705
Baldwin Pond	Meriden		0	100	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	550
Ball Pond	New Fairfield		0	725	1950	0	0	0	575	0	5	3255
Bashan Lake	East Haddam		0	350	1150	0	0	150	0	0	0	1650
Baummer Pond	Naugatuck		250	100	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Beach Pond	Voluntown		0	950	2450	0	350	1170	0	0	30	4950
Beaver Brook Park Ponds	Windham		0	325	275	0	75	75	0	0	0	750
Bicentennial Pond	Mansfield		0	600	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	750
Bigelow Pond	Union		400	475	1175	200	300	0	425	0	0	2975

Billings Lake	North Stonington		0	300	400	0	0	150	150	0	0	1000
Black Pond	Middlefield, Meriden		0	1150	1050	200	0	1420	500	0	30	4350
Black Rock Impoundment	Thomaston, Watertown		250	375	200	100	0	225	0	0	0	1150
Branford Supply Pond	Branford		0	450	375	200	100	0	0	0	5	1130
Broad Brook Mill Pond	East Windsor		0	300	100	0	60	70	0	0	0	530
Burr Pond	Torrington		600	200	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	1000
Cedar Lake	Chester		0	920	2130	200	375	985	0	0	30	4640
Christensen's Pond	Granby		150	0	925	0	0	0	775	0	5	1855
Colebrook Reservoir	Colebrook		0	1400	400	0	1000	0	500	0	0	3300
Congamond Lakes	Suffield		0	550	550	0	0	0	0	0	0	1100
Driscoll Pond	Voluntown		0	0	0	0	0	0	250	0	0	250
Fountain Lake	Seymour, Ansonia		150	100	1050	0	0	0	0	0	0	1300
Gardner Lake	Salem, Bozrah, Montville		0	500	2450	0	275	400	0	0	0	3625
Gay City Park Pond	Hebron		0	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Green Falls Reservoir	Voluntown		0	0	100	0	0	900	500	0	0	1500
Hancock Brook Impoundment	Plymouth		50	200	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Hanover Reservoir	Canterbury		0	150	175	0	0	100	100	0	0	525
Hewitt Fly Pond	North Stonington		0	300	300	0	165	150	950	0	0	1865
Higginnum Reservoir	Haddam		0	675	0	0	300	300	300	0	0	1575
Hop Brook Impoundment	Middlebury, Waterbury		200	350	425	0	0	0	0	0	0	975
Hopeville Pond	Griswold		75	75	75	0	0	100	100	0	0	425
Horse Pond	Salem		250	475	375	0	0	350	350	0	0	1800
Howells Pond	Hartland		750	0	200	0	25	0	0	0	0	975
Keach Pond	Thompson		275	200	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	575
Lake McDonough	Barkhamsted, New Hartford		0	500	1000	0	0	800	800	0	0	3100
Lake Saltonstall	Branford, East Haven		0	700	0	0	0	500	0	0	0	1200
Lake Stibbs	Southbury		100	100	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Lower Storrs Pumping Station Pond	Mansfield		0	100	100	0	150	0	0	0	0	350
Mad River Impoundment	Winchester		225	450	275	0	0	0	0	0	0	950
Mansfield Training Ponds	Mansfield		50	450	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	550
Mashapaug Lake	Union		0	1250	2200	100	0	950	250	0	50	4800
Millers Pond	Durham		0	725	0	0	100	0	100	0	0	925

Mohegan Lake	Fairfield		475	0	800	0	0	0	0	0	0	1275
Moosup Pond	Plainfield		0	375	300	0	0	100	100	0	0	875
Mt. Tom Pond	Litchfield - Washington		650	1400	1800	0	300	300	300	0	0	4750
Nells Rock Reservoir	Shelton		150	250	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Northfield Impoundment	Thomaston		150	75	200	0	0	75	0	0	0	500
Pattaconk Lake	Chester		0	550	150	0	0	100	100	0	0	900
Pine Lake (Malone's Pond)	Bristol		0	0	200	0	600	0	200	0	10	1010
Prospect Town Park Pond	Prospect		200	400	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	900
Roseland Lake	Woodstock		350	550	175	0	0	0	0	0	0	1075
Saint Martha's Pond	Enfield		0	0	550	50	0	200	150	0	5	955
Salmon Brook Pond	Glastonbury		0	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Saugatuck Reservoir	Easton, Redding, Weston	1000	0	0	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	2500
Scoville Reservoir	Wolcott		625	450	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	1525
Shenipsit Lake	Ellington, Tolland		0	500	400	0	0	250	250	0	0	1400
Somersville Mill Pond	Somers		0	350	0	0	100	100	100	0	0	650
Starret Pond	Redding		250	280	600	0	0	0	0	0	0	1130
Stillwater Pond	Torrington		600	50	750	0	0	0	0	0	0	1400
Twin Brooks Pond	Trumbull		125	225	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Tyler Pond	Goshen		900	200	400	0	300	300	300	0	0	2400
Uncas Lake	Lyme		0	300	1025	0	225	325	100	0	0	1975
Walkers Reservoir	Vernon		0	0	1050	0	0	0	200	0	0	1250
Wangumbaug Lake (Coventry Lake)	Coventry		0	900	1150	0	0	300	200	0	0	2550
Wauregan Reservoir	Killingly		375	475	775	0	100	0	0	0	0	1725
West Branch Reservoir	Colebrook		0	600	400	0	0	250	500	0	0	1750
West Side Pond	Goshen		875	200	800	0	150	150	150	0	0	2325
Wyassup Lake	North Stonington		0	500	350	0	100	100	150	0	0	1200

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 (15)												
Beacon Hill Brook	Bethany, Naugatuck		0	0	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Blackberry River	Canaan, Norfolk		625	850	1575	0	0	300	0	350	10	3710
East Aspetuck River	New Milford, New Preston		175	1025	1705	300	0	400	350	0	5	3960
Farm River (Lower)	East Haven		0	400	550	0	300	600	550	0	5	2405
Fenton River	Mansfield		0	0	2500	0	0	0	3100	0	0	5600
Little River	Oxford, Seymour		0	0	1200	0	0	0	0	0	0	1200
Macedonia Brook (State Park)	Kent		0	0	1250	50	0	0	0	0	0	1300
Morgan Brook	Barkhamsted		0	0	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Naugatuck River, E. Branch	Torrington, Winchester		550	350	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	1350
Norwalk River	Ridgefield, Norwalk		1150	1750	3250	0	0	500	0	0	10	6660
Roaring Brook	Glastonbury		0	0	1800	0	0	0	950	0	0	2750
Roaring Brook	Stafford, Willington		0	0	550	0	150	0	1250	0	0	1950
Salmon Brook	Glastonbury	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1500
Salmon Brook, including E. Branch	Granby, East Granby		435	0	2875	0	0	0	650	0	15	3975
Shunock Brook	North Stonington		0	1200	0	0	160	400	650	0	5	2415
Trophy Trout Areas (8)												
Natchaug River	Eastford, Chaplin, Windham		0	500	1500	400	1200	3550	4000	300	75	11525
Naugatuck River (Lower)	Waterbury, Beacon Falls		100	600	850	0	200	842	917	350	30	3889
Naugatuck River (Mid)	Thomaston, Waterbury		100	575	500	0	0	782	852	0	30	2839
Naugatuck River (Upper)	Harwinton, Litchfield, Torrington		300	650	575	0	600	610	1085	0	30	3850
Pequonnock River (Trumbull Basin)	Trumbull		275	575	550	0	0	1030	1465	200	40	4135

Pomperaug River	Woodbury, Southbury		300	900	1400	0	920	2125	2425	0	45	8115
Salmon River	Colchester		0	0	1050	300	905	1225	2630	0	65	6175
Shetucket River	Windham, Scotland, Sprague		0	0	1950	0	400	3725	2950	0	55	9080
Trout Park Streams (5)												
Branch Brook	Watertown		425	225	275	150	0	125	0	0	0	1200
Chatfield Hollow Brook	Killingworth		50	464	250	250	1000	305	525	0	5	2849
Eight Mile Brook (Southford Falls State Park)	Oxford, Southbury		200	200	75	50	0	75	0	0	0	600
Kent Falls Brook	Kent		450	375	350	225	0	0	0	0	2	1402
Natchaug River	Eastford		0	450	1450	300	1650	1325	1800	300	30	7305
Trout Management Areas (19)												
Farmington River (Goodwin Dam to West Br. TMA boundary)	Hartland, Barkhamsted		900	2625	1050	0	800	625	4100	0	70	10170
Farmington River (West Br. TMA)	Barkhamsted, New Hartford	7000	0	2700	1000	0	0	2158	0	0	40	12898
Farmington River (West Br. TMA to Collinsville)	New Hartford, Canton		1195	1900	2160	50	0	2655	3260	0	65	11285
Farmington River (Collinsville to RT 177)	Avon, Canton, Farmington		1175	1350	1275	50	800	1810	3060	0	40	9560
Hammonasset River	Madison, Killingworth		200	850	700	300	1250	550	1750	250	20	5870
Hockanum River	Manchester	3050	250	750	1000	0	200	0	250	0	20	5520
Housatonic River, Bull's Bridge	Kent, Sherman, New Milford		0	3500	2000	0	0	1666	500	0	0	7666
Housatonic River, Upper	Cornwall, Sharon	3000	0	2400	4000	0	0	5653	4000	0	0	19053
Mianus River	Greenwich, Stamford		625	525	1555	0	0	125	150	300	10	3290
Mill River (Sleeping Giant State Park)	Hamden		450	800	1050	250	200	275	125	250	13	3413
Mill River	Fairfield		0	0	1500	0	0	0	250	300	10	2060
Moosup River	Plainfield		200	550	800	0	350	400	947	200	30	3477
Naugatuck River	Harwinton, Litchfield		430	700	250	0	0	415	1875	250	30	3950
Pequabuck River	Bristol	3000	200	350	700	0	0	0	100	0	5	4355

Salmon River	Colchester	200	425	1600	300	1400	2000	4850	0	95	10870
Saugatuck River (Fly)	Westport	475	525	1525	0	30	100	100	225	5	2985
Tenmile River	Kent, Sherman	0	0	400	0	0	0	100	0	0	500
Willimantic River	Tolland, Willington	0	600	1450	0	50	200	400	325	20	3045
Yantic River	Bozrah	200	475	950	250	700	425	400	325	20	3745
Stream Sections with No Special Management (100)											
Aspetuck River	Easton, Fairfield, Weston	300	300	150	0	0	0	0	0	5	755
Bantam River, Inlet	Litchfield	600	300	650	0	0	250	0	0	10	1810
Bantam River, Outlet	Litchfield, Morris	550	263	950	0	0	287	0	0	10	2060
Bantam River, West Branch of Inlet	Goshen, Litchfield	100	100	0	0	0	150	0	0	0	350
Bartlett Brook	Lebanon	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Beaver Brook (incl. Ponds)	Franklin, Sprague	0	725	100	0	100	100	0	0	0	1025
Bible Rock Brook	Haddam	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Bigelow Brook	Ashford, Eastford	0	200	900	0	300	350	150	0	0	1900
Blackledge River (Lower)	Marlborough	0	750	1250	300	1950	400	1902	0	20	6572
Blackledge River (Upper)	Bolton, Hebron	0	250	0	0	580	0	0	0	10	840
Blackwells Brook	Brooklyn, Plainfield	350	300	0	0	0	125	125	0	0	900
Branford River	Branford	0	200	800	0	200	1050	500	0	0	2750
Broad Brook	Preston	0	300	300	0	0	100	100	0	0	800
Bungee Brook	Eastford	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Butternut Brook	Litchfield	150	100	150	0	0	75	0	0	0	475
Byram River	Greenwich	450	200	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Choate Brook	Preston	0	100	100	0	0	55	100	0	0	355
Coginchaug River	Durham, Middlefield	800	250	700	0	1150	200	750	0	5	3855
Dickenson Creek	Marlborough	0	800	750	0	350	200	500	0	5	2605
East Swamp Brook	Bethel, Danbury	75	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	275
Eight Mile Brook, Open	Middlebury - Southbury	325	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	625
Eight Mile River	Salem, East Haddam, Lyme	100	75	450	250	600	1500	1100	0	20	4095
Eight Mile River (East Branch)	Salem, East Haddam, Lyme	0	0	0	250	100	800	0	0	5	1155

Falls River	Essex		500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Farm River (upper)	North Branford		0	0	1300	0	0	0	600	0	5	1905
Farmill River	Shelton		450	800	1250	0	0	0	0	0	5	2505
Farmington River	Bloomfield, Simsbury		300	700	350	0	0	0	0	0	10	1360
Farmington River	Avon, Canton, Farmington		250	1550	2250	0	0	875	450	0	10	5385
Five Mile River (Lower)	Thompson, Putnam, Killingly		0	0	1500	0	425	750	890	0	5	3570
Five Mile River (Upper)	Thompson		0	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
French River	Thompson		0	0	700	0	0	0	30	0	0	730
Furnace Brook	Stafford		0	0	900	0	0	250	100	0	0	1250
Green Falls River	North Stonington, Voluntown		0	500	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Hall Meadow Brook	Torrington, Goshen		100	375	460	0	0	0	0	0	0	935
Hammonasset River	Clinton, Madison, Killingworth		0	1200	1100	0	1950	1000	1225	125	10	6610
Hop Brook	Middlebury		300	1250	850	0	1550	550	450	0	5	4955
Hop River	Bolton, Coventry		400	2825	2410	0	3500	1550	1675	125	15	12500
Indiantown Brook	Preston, Ledyard		0	0	1350	0	0	200	310	0	0	1860
Jeremy River	Colchester, Hebron		0	700	1306	0	1350	300	1050	0	2	4708
Kitt Brook	Canterbury		700	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	900
Latimer Brook	East Lyme		0	700	700	0	100	310	400	0	5	2215
Leadmine Brook	Harwinton, Thomaston		1200	780	1100	0	0	520	0	0	5	3605
Little River	Canterbury, Sprague		800	400	1100	0	750	500	350	0	0	3900
Mad River	Norfolk, Winchester		200	250	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Mashamoquet Brook	Pomfret		75	75	175	0	650	650	500	0	5	2130
Mianus River	Greenwich, Stamford		500	450	350	0	0	0	0	0	10	1310
Middle River	Stafford		0	0	700	0	0	300	100	0	0	1100
Mill Brook	Woodstock		200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Mill River	Fairfield, Easton		250	700	650	0	0	0	0	0	10	1610
Mill River	Hamden		500	450	1900	0	850	450	450	0	10	4610
Moosup River	Plainfield, Sterling		0	500	1130	0	2100	850	880	0	10	5470
Morrissey Brook	New Milford, Sherman		250	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	650
Mount Hope River	Ashford, Mansfield		0	1500	1300	0	1950	1200	1775	0	13	7738
Mount Misery Brook	Voluntown		0	0	100	0	100	650	690	0	0	1540

Muddy River	North Haven, Wallingford		350	1250	800	0	0	0	0	0	0	2400
Myron Kinnie Brook	Voluntown		0	500	750	0	0	100	250	0	0	1600
Naugatuck River, West Branch	Torrington		200	200	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	550
Nepaug River	New Hartford		250	550	200	0	0	0	0	0	5	1005
Nonnewaug River	Bethlehem, Woodbury		300	350	400	0	0	0	0	0	5	1055
Oxoboxo Brook	Montville		150	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Pachaug River	Griswold, Voluntown		0	300	1550	0	0	550	750	0	0	3150
Pattaconk Brook	Chester		0	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Pequabuck River (Rockwell Park - Blvd.)	Bristol		725	290	450	0	0	160	0	0	0	1625
Pequonnock River (Beardsley Park)	Bridgeport		250	400	950	0	200	0	0	0	10	1810
Pequonnock River, Open	Trumbull, Bridgeport		700	525	1250	0	0	0	0	0	10	2485
Pequonnock River, West Branch	Monroe		150	150	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Pond Brook	Newtown		175	275	125	0	0	100	25	0	5	705
Ponset Brook	Haddam		0	0	350	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Pootatuck River (Lower)	Newtown		475	409	200	0	0	166	50	0	5	1305
Quanduck Brook	Sterling		0	325	425	0	0	100	175	0	0	1025
Quinebaug River	Plainfield, Thompson, Putnam, Killingly, Griswold, Lisbon, Preston, Canterbury		0	3800	1200	1000	850	2750	4380	0	21	14001
Quinnipiac River	Cheshire, Meriden		500	500	600	0	450	400	400	0	10	2860
Reservoir Brook	Portland		500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Rippowam River	Stamford		650	450	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	1300
Salmon Brook, West Branch	Granby		100	75	445	0	0	75	105	0	0	800
Sandy Brook	Colebrook		100	600	1100	0	0	150	0	0	5	1955
Saugatuck River, Lower	Weston, Westport		650	550	950	0	0	0	0	0	10	2160
Saugatuck River, Upper	Danbury, Redding		300	900	800	0	0	0	0	0	10	2010
Saugatuck River, West Branch	Wilton, Westport		75	350	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	500

Sawmill Brook	Sherman		0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Scantic River (Lower)	East Windsor		0	500	300	300	420	520	820	0	2	2862
Scantic River (Upper)	Somers, Enfield		0	1450	1150	300	1670	1670	1770	450	2	8462
Shepaug River	Roxbury		100	275	325	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Skungamaug River	Coventry, Tolland		0	450	950	0	550	742	200	0	10	2902
Snake Meadow Brook	Killingly		0	0	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Still River	Barkhamsted, Colebrook		150	100	200	0	0	150	0	0	5	605
Still River	Danbury		200	150	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Still River	Eastford		500	0	750	0	0	300	500	0	0	2050
Stony Brook	Suffield		250	150	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Susquetonscut Brook	Franklin		0	0	450	0	0	100	100	0	0	650
Taylor Brook	Woodstock		450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Ten Mile River	Lebanon, Columbia		0	1000	400	0	0	400	0	0	0	1800
Weekeepeemee River	Woodbury		300	450	250	0	0	0	0	0	5	1005
Wepawaug River	Milford, Orange		600	340	700	0	0	160	0	0	5	1805
West River	Guilford		450	0	450	0	300	300	300	0	0	1800
Whetstone Brook	Killingly		0	0	500	0	0	0	20	0	0	520
Whitfords Brook	Ledyard, Stonington		0	0	500	0	0	0	210	0	0	710
Willimantic River (above TMA)	Stafford		0	400	700	300	0	750	450	0	10	2610
Willimantic River (below TMA)	Mansfield, Coventry, Windham		0	550	1500	300	300	950	850	0	10	4460
Yantic River	Lebanon, Bozrah		0	1500	0	0	205	260	960	0	10	2935

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, enhance naturalized populations, or advance 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	231
Mount Tom Pond	Litchfield, Morris, Washington	227
Naugatuck River (Lower)	Naugatuck, Beacon Falls	343
Naugatuck River (Upper)	Harwinton, Litchfield	350
Shetucket River	Windham, Scotland, Sprague	704
Total Atlantic Salmon Adults		1,855

Atlantic Salmon Juveniles (5)		Fry	Smolt
Blackledge River	Colchester/Marlborough	16,106	
Dickenson Creek	Colchester	11,344	
Farmington River, West Branch	New Hartford/Barkhamsted	123,988	
Jeremy River	Colchester	28,202	
Salmon River	Colchester	44,248	500
Total Atlantic Salmon Fry and Smolts		233,894	500

Brown Trout Fry:

Brown Trout		Fry
Blackberry River	Canaan, Norfolk	45,000
East Aspetuck River	New Milford, New Preston	27,200
Mianus River, TMA	Greenwich, Stamford	15,000
Norwalk River	Ridgefield - Norwalk	30,000
Salmon River, TMA	Colchester	15,000
Salmon Brook	Glastonbury	1,500
Total Brown Trout fry		133,700

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

Lake Trout: Lake Trout averaging 10 pounds each were provided to CT DEEP by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's Berkshire National Fish Hatchery in New Marlborough, MA where they are raised for restoration efforts in the Lower Great Lakes as well as for recreational fishing opportunities. Now 13 years old, these retired broodstock have completed their hatchery duties of providing eggs for future years and are suitable to be stocked for anglers. The intent in stocking them is strictly to provide Connecticut anglers with a specialty fishery, adding to the multitude of angling opportunities across the state.

Lake Trout, Adults (5)		Adults
Amos Lake	Preston	30
Bigelow Pond	Union	30
Coventry Lake	Coventry	100
Howells Pond	Hartland	16
Squantz Pond	New Fairfield	70
Tyler Lake	Goshen	50
Total Lake Trout Adults		296

Channel Catfish:

Channel Catfish (17)		Adults
Bunnell's Pond (Beardsley Park Pond)	Bridgeport	829
Beaver Park Pond (North side)	New Haven	430
Birge Pond	Bristol	431
Center Springs Park Pond	Manchester	548
Colony Pond	Ansonia	430
Crescent Lake	Southington	830
Freshwater Pond	Enfield	450
Keney Park Pond	Hartford	429
Lakewood Lake	Waterbury	800
Lake Wintergreen	Hamden	830
Mirror Lake (Hubbard Park Pond)	Meriden	429
Picketts Pond	Derby	430
Rogers Park Pond	Danbury	426
Rowans Pond (Butternut Park Pond)	Middletown	427
Spaulding Pond (Mohegan Park Pond)	Norwich	830
Stanley Quarter Park Pond	New Britain	430
Wharton Brook Park Pond (Allen Pond)	North Haven/Wallingford	420
Total Channel Catfish Adults		9,399

Northern Pike:

Northern Pike (4)		Fingerlings
Bantam Lake	Litchfield, Morris	9,529
Mansfield Hollow Lake	Mansfield	2,511
Pachaug Pond	Voluntown	1,074
Winchester Lake	Winchester	9,200
Total Northern Pike		22,297

Tiger Muskie: Tiger muskie are a sterile (meaning they can't reproduce) cross between a male Northern Pike and a female Muskellunge. Because tiger muskie are sterile they will not establish a self-sustaining population. Additionally, because tiger muskie do not put energy into spawning they are able to grow much faster and reach larger sizes than the Northern Pike found in Connecticut, therefore creating an exciting new opportunity for anglers. We expect them to reach catchable size (14-20-inches) this upcoming summer with legal harvest size in West Thompson Lake being 26-inches.

Tiger muskie have also been stocked by the Lake Lillinonah Authority in recent years into Lake Lillinonah and those fish have reached adult sizes. The harvest regulation for Lake Lillinonah is 1 fish per day (Northern Pike or tiger muskie not both) with a minimum size of 38-inches.

The Fisheries Division will monitor Lake Lillinonah and West Thompson Lake to track any potential impacts to the resident fish communities and guide future management actions.

Tiger Muskie (2)		Fingerlings
Lake Lillinonah	Brookfield	700
West Thompson Lake	Thompson	809
Total Tiger Muskie		1,509



The Fisheries Division stocked young tiger muskies (about 8-11 inches) into West Thompson Lake and Lake Lillinonah in mid-summer 2025. These tiger muskie were surplus production offered free of charge by the Charles O. Hayford State Fish Hatchery in Hackensack, New Jersey.

Walleye:

Walleye (12)		Fingerlings
Batterson Park Pond	Farmington	910
Beach Pond	Voluntown	2,358
Wangumbaug Lake (Coventry Lake)	Coventry	1,111
Gardner Lake	Salem	3,390
Lake Pocotapaug*	East Hampton	1,473
Lake Saltonstall*	East Haven	1,692
Lake Zoar	Derby-Oxford	5,310
Long Pond	North Stonington	684
Mashapaug Lake	Union	1,849
Mt. Tom Pond	Litchfield-Washington	353
Saugatuck Reservoir*	Redding-Weston	3,377
Squantz Pond	New Fairfield	1,727
Total Walleye Fingerlings		
*These fish were purchased by the South Central Regional Water Authority, Aquarion Water Company, or the Town of East Hampton.		24,234



Relocation of fish

Migratory Species

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 fishways, removing dams and other man-made barriers, stocking fry and parr (trout and salmon), and relocating captured adults (American Shad, Alewife, and Sea Lamprey) around barriers that lack fish passage.



Adult American shad were collected from the Connecticut River at the Holyoke Dam (MA) and relocated to the following waters.

American Shad (3)		Adult
Mattabesset River	Newington	100
Shetucket River	Sprague, Windham	470
Quinebaug River	Canterbury	270
Total Shad Adults		840

Adult Sea Lamprey were collected from the Connecticut River at the Holyoke Dam (MA) and relocated to Merrick Brook in Scotland, CT.

Sea Lamprey (1)		Adult
Merrick Brook	Scotland	150
Total Sea Lamprey Adults		150

Adult Alewife were collected from Brides Lake in East Lyme and relocated to the following waters.

Alewife (5)		Adult
Amos Lake	Preston	850
Blackhall Pond	Lyme	700
Dodge Pond	East Lyme	1,000
Gorton Pond	East Lyme	1,250
Jordan Brook	Waterford	550
Total Alewife Adults		4,350

Inland Species

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

- **Kent Falls Brook (Kent)** – 121 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).
- **Unnamed tributary of Cobble Brook (Kent)** - Transferred 108 Brook Trout from North Kent Brook in Kent to restore a population.
- **Unnamed tributary of the Connecticut River (Windsor)** - Transferred 34 Brook Trout from Waterworks Brook in Windsor Locks to restore a population.
- **Wyassup Lake (North Stonington)** – 49 Smallmouth Bass (averaging 16 inches) 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 to re-establish a robust Smallmouth Bass fishery.

Anglers, Thank You for Your Support!



100 % of the fees collected from the sale of fishing and hunting licenses, tags, permits, and stamps goes to support fish and wildlife conservation, preservation, and recreation programs administered by the Bureau of Natural Resources.

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!

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