



This report is compiled by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, CT River Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office using fishway count data provided by several agencies as well as power companies and is dependent in most cases on the review of video counts, that have an associated time lag for updates. Please visit <http://www.fws.gov/r5crc> for more information.

| Fishway, River - State                                  | Data as of:  | American Shad | Alewife | Blueback Herring | Atlantic Salmon | American Eel | Sea Lamprey | Striped Bass | Gizzard Shad | Shortnose Sturgeon | Other/ comment      |
|---|--------------|---------------|---------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Rogers Lake-CT  | Final        |               | 6,440   |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | Mary Stuebe passed  |
| Mary Steube, Mill-CT                                    | Final        |               | 15,447  |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    |                     |
| Mill Pond, Falls - CT                                   | Final        |               | 1,325   |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    |                     |
| Moulson Pond, Eightmile-CT                              | open         |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | data to be reviewed |
| Leesville, Salmon-CT                                    | open         |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | no counter          |
| StanChem, Mattabesset-CT                                | open         |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | data to be reviewed |
| Rainbow, Farmington-CT                                  | not operated |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | not operated        |
| W. Springfield, Westfield-MA                            | open         |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | data to be reviewed |
| Holyoke, Connecticut-MA                                 | 6/11         | 309,330       | 0       | 144              | 0               | 42           | 13,165      | 165          | 75           | 0                  |                     |
| Easthampton, Manhan-MA                                  | open         |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    | no counter          |
| **Turners Falls-Gatehouse, Connecticut-MA               | 6/6          | 19,763        | 0       | 0                | 0               | 0            | 518         | 0            | 0            |                    |                     |
| Vernon, Connecticut-VT                                  | 5/26         | 1,817         |         |                  |                 |              | 3           |              |              |                    |                     |
| Bellows Falls, Connecticut-VT                           | open         |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    |                     |
| <i>Total to basin, only <b>first</b> barrier counts</i> |              |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    |                     |
|   |              | 309,330       | 16,772  | 144              | 0               | 42           | 13,165      | 165          | 75           | 0                  |                     |
| <i>Last year totals</i>                                 |              |               |         |                  |                 |              |             |              |              |                    |                     |
|   |              | 437,553       | 28,063  | 728              | 0               | 18,687       | 60,525      | 458          | 73           | 28                 |                     |

\* CTDEEP will not operate the Rainbow Fish Ladder due its documented poor performance and the lack of suitable downstream fish passage protection measures at the Stanley Works owned dam/project. Fish passage at this project has been the responsibility of the CTDEEP, due to FERC legal rulings.

Note that at Turners Falls Project (Dam/Canal) fish must use one of these two fishways first before having the opportunity to pass the final required ladder (Gatehouse).

A - total collected from 4 eel ramp/traps at Holyoke in 2024

At Holyoke Fish Lift, Sierra reported daily American Shad counts for the following days since the previous report; 6/5 (8,272), 6/6 (6,553), 6/7 (4,982), 6/8 (3,857), 6/9 (3,479), 6/10 (2,175) and 6/11 (1,213). Steve Leach at Turners Falls noted that with high flows they have also had some issues with turbidity and the digital imaging system. Main stem flows remain well above average with water temperatures seasonal range to cool (figures next page). This week our USFWS river herring assessment program had a mix of catch rates among our 4 sites. Wethersfield Cove had under a fish per minute rate (very low), with most fish being males and all but one female in nearly "spent" state - vey similar to last week. The Chicopee River had similar catch rate to last week, all fish being males and they captured two Bluebacks on the Westfield River. Today on the Farmington River, Corey reported high catch rates of Blueback Herring there again this week - welcomed news. Based on our recent results, we will plan on continuing our sampling program next week.

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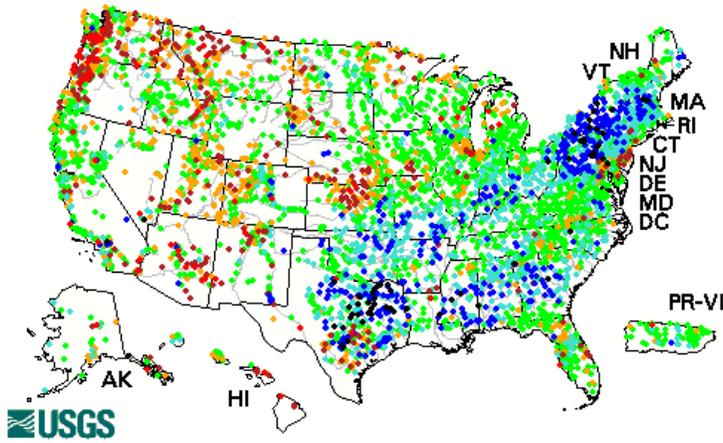


Image 1. Current (6/11/25) river discharge levels from USGS.

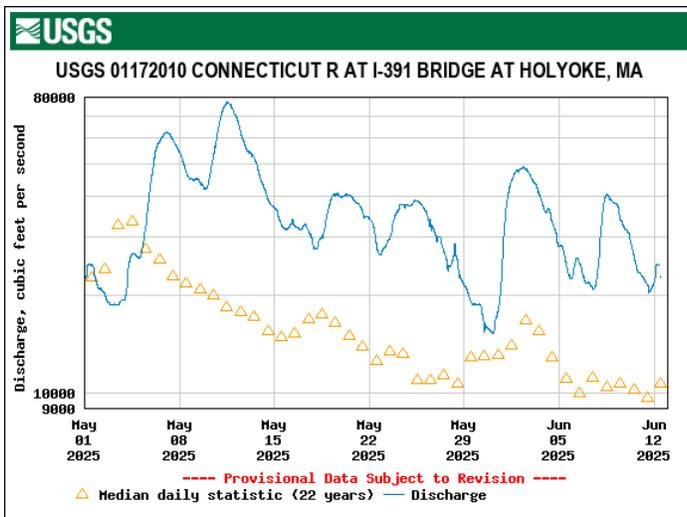


Figure 1. River discharge for noted period with average daily values.

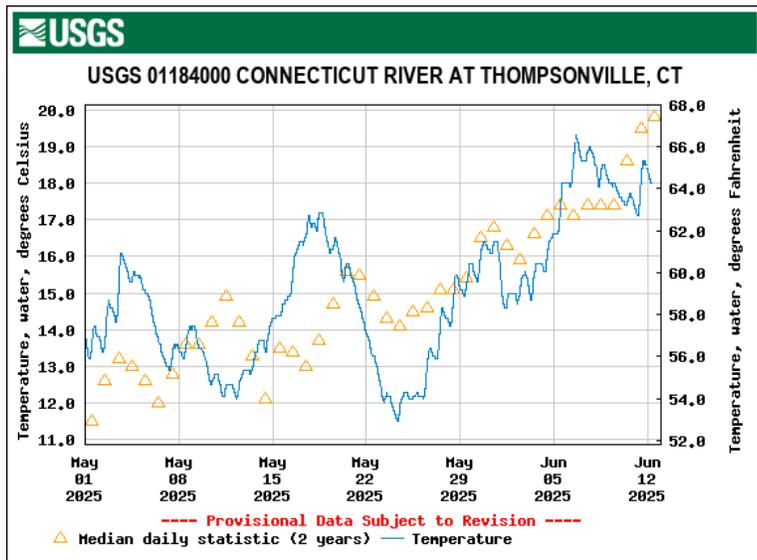


Figure 2. Main stem, mean daily water temperatures from Thompsonville, CT. Note median temps are not representative of long-term period, only two years, so highly variable and best represent above average conditions in those years.