

Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture Sampling
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The Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture (EBTJV) is a partnership between state and federal agencies, regional and local governments, businesses, conservation organizations, academia, scientific societies, and private citizens. The EBTJV was formed to halt the decline of brook trout and restore fishable populations. For more information on the EBJTV visit easternbrooktrout.org.

The DEC is just one of the many partners in the EBTJV. Across the state, fisheries staff are surveying waters with the potential to support brook trout. Many of these waters are small unnamed streams that have never been surveyed or survey data is outdated. Between 2008 and 2019 a total of 539 of these potential waters have been surveyed in Central New York (DEC Region 7). Some of these surveys were EBJTV while others were stream reclassification surveys. Brook trout were found in 174 of these waters.

Table 1. EBTJV and Reclassification Surveys in Region 7 from 2008 to 2019

Year	Number of Surveys	Surveys Brook Trout Found	% Surveys Brook Trout Found	Number of Brook Trout Collected
2008	31	4	13%	9
2009	28	7	25%	51
2010	11	2	18%	5
2011	414	137	33%	1,171
2012	0	0	0	0
2013	6	4	67%	42
2014	11	3	27%	42
2015	6	5	83%	51
2016	11	6	55%	82
2017	13	3	23%	4
2018	7	2	29%	9
2019	20	12	60%	129

