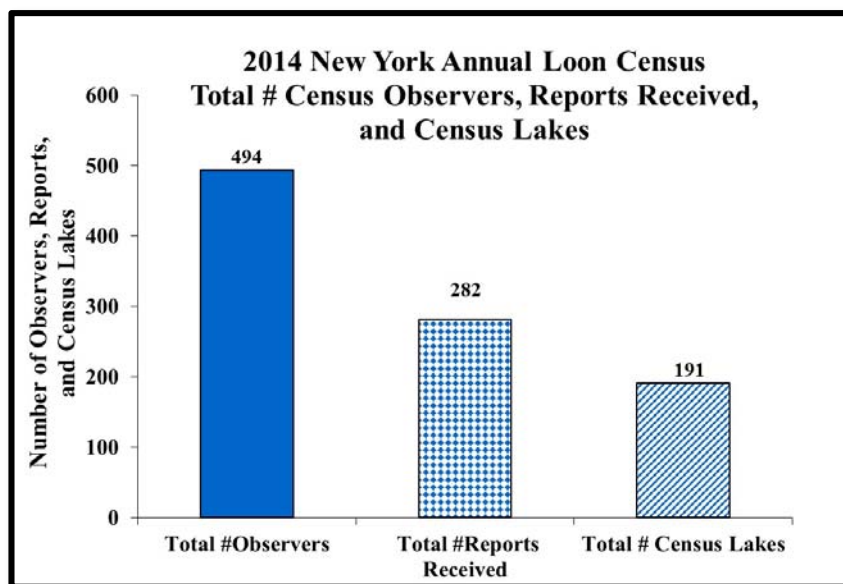


## ADIRONDACK CENTER FOR LOON CONSERVATION 2014 NEW YORK LOON CENSUS RESULTS

*“The loons seem indifferent to it all, present with chicks, every year in over a decade of visits for one of us, almost 50 years for another of us! GO LOONS!”*

*~Weller Pond*

In the summer of 2014, we were delighted to have almost 500 observers send in observations from 191 lakes during the fourteenth Annual New York Loon Census!



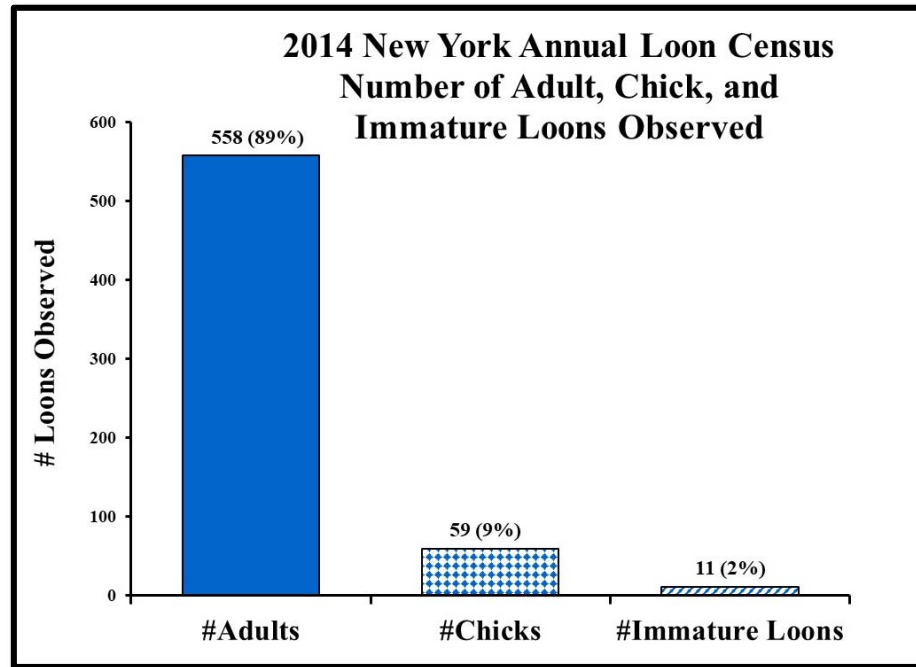
*“One chick hatched before observation, 2nd chick hatched at the nest during observation.”*

*~Morehouse Lake*

*“Once dead lake: second year loons have successfully hatched a chick.  
Very exciting to see the recovery of the lake!”*

*~South Pond*

A total of 628 loons were observed on 145 (76%) of the Census lakes, consisting of 558 (89%) adults, 59 (9%) chicks, and 11 (2%) immature loons. Of the 191 lakes that were surveyed, 162 (85%) were located within the Adirondack Park.



*“They were approaching each other and moving (floating) apart. The stillness enabled me to hear them bill click and murmur to each other. I played loon songs from an i-bird app. Three times the loons responded vocally and were swimming with their heads and necks fully extended - alert but not alarmed. The fourth time I played the yodel they did not respond.”*

*~West Pond*

**Please Note: We do NOT recommend playing “loon songs” to loons while on a lake observing them.**

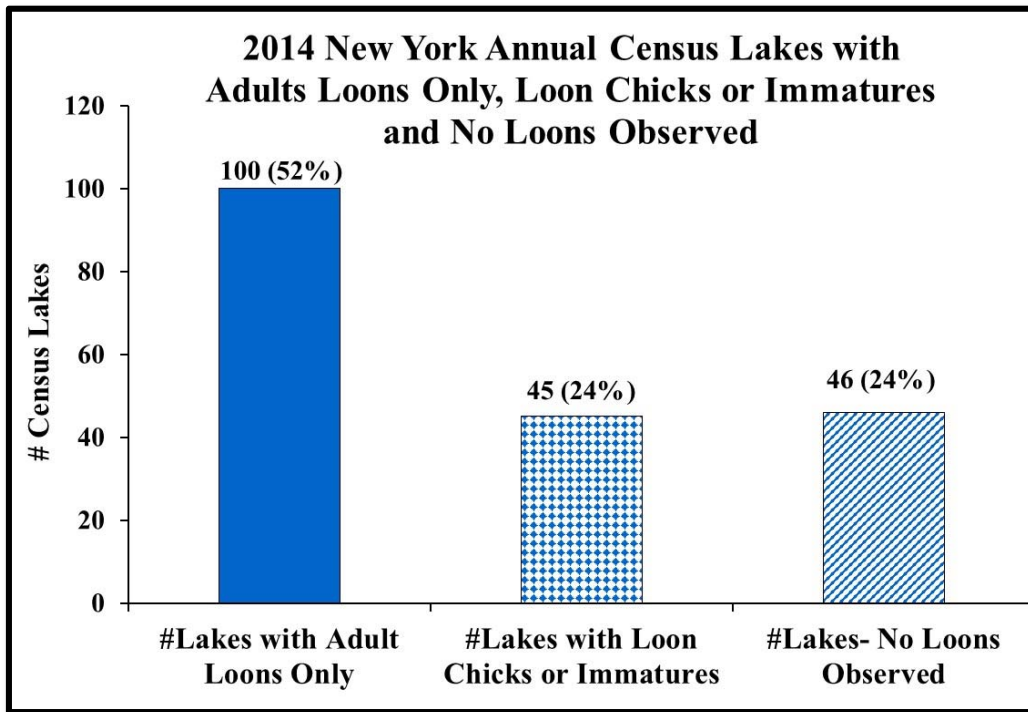
Loon vocalizations have very specific meanings to the birds, and can disrupt their normal behavior.

For example, based on the description above, the loons on West Pond were hooting quietly to each other. The person played a yodel, which is a territorial defense call made by male loons when they are extremely upset (e.g., when they are fighting with another loon, or an eagle flies overhead).

Thus, the person was upsetting the loons he or she was watching, as evidenced by loons extending their necks and heads, which is how they place their bodies to make yodels and defend their territory against another loon. If a yodeling loon had been present instead of the i-bird app, the territorial pair likely would have been in a fight, chasing the intruding loon around the lake, like the pair on Millsite Lake below. As it was, they were distracted from their normal behaviors and likely quite confused as they spent time and energy looking for the intruding loon.

In 2014, adult loons with no chicks were observed on 100 (52%) of the census lakes. Loon chicks or immatures were observed on 45 (24%) census lakes, while no loons were observed on 46 (24%) lakes.

Your observations, whether you see loons or not, provide important data to help us monitor the population of loons summering on the waterways of New York – *Thank You!*



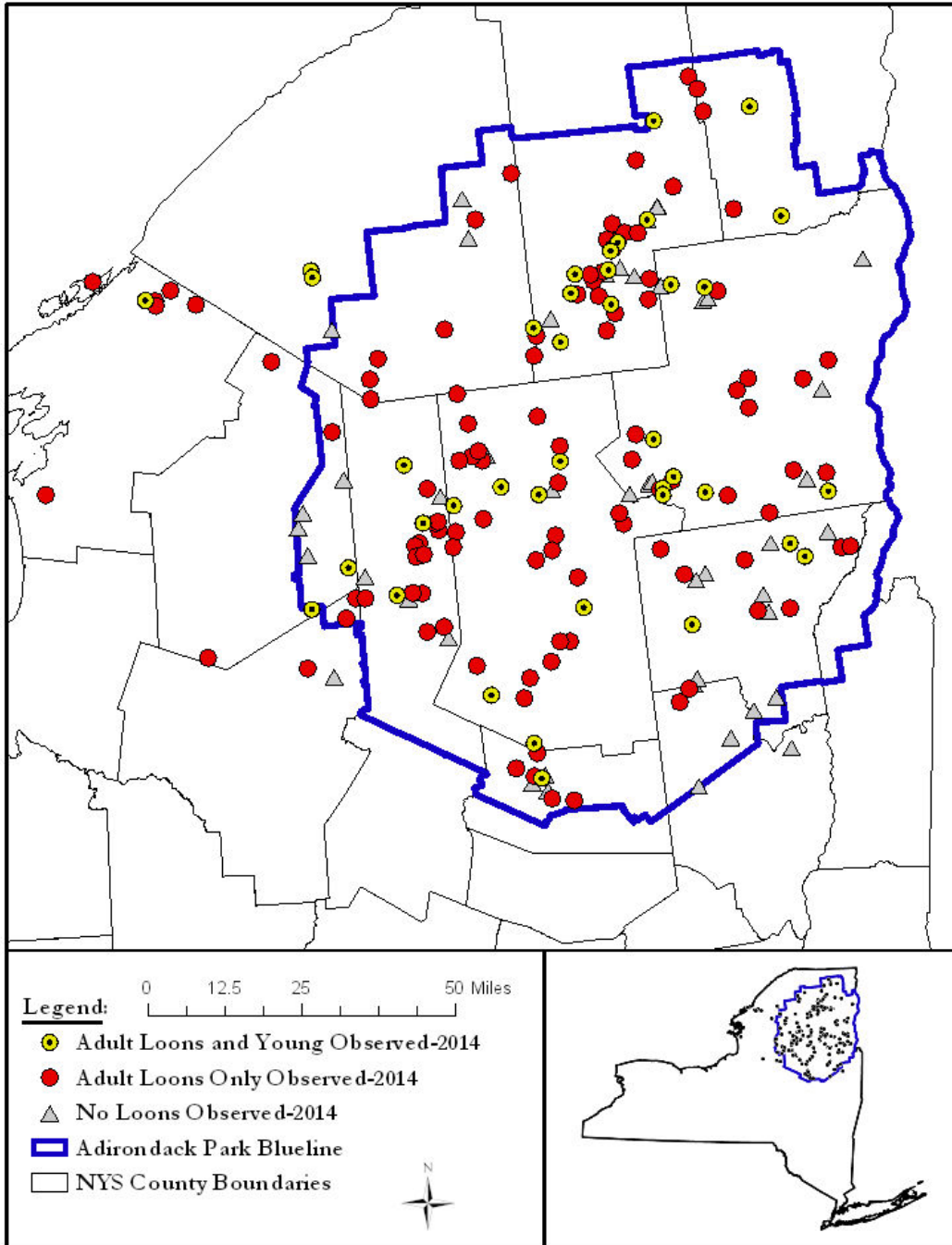
*“No chicks observed this year...Often 1 male and 1 female together and 1 lone male. They were together during the census. Approximately 7:50am, the 2 males began chasing each other, much splashing, covering a very wide area, and lasting about 25 minutes, after which, they all appeared to fish alone.”*

*~Millsite Lake*

**Many thanks to all of you who participated in the  
2014 New York Annual Loon Census!**

## 2014 NEW YORK LOON CENSUS MAP

The 2014 New York Loon Census Map shows the locations and results for the lakes and ponds surveyed during the 2014 Annual Loon Census.



**2014 NEW YORK LOON CENSUS RESULTS BY LAKE**

Lake Name	County	Town	#Adult Loons Observed	#Loon Chicks Observed	#Immature Loons Observed	Total #Loons Observed
BABY LAKE	Herkimer	Ohio	0	0	0	0
BEAVER LAKE - Lewis Cty	Lewis	Watson	0	0	0	0
BIG MOOSE LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	0	0	0	0
BLACK POND	Franklin	Brighton	3	0	0	3
BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE	Hamilton	Indian Lake	1	0	0	1
BONE POND	Franklin	Santa Clara	1	0	0	1
BRANDRETH LAKE	Hamilton	Long Lake	6	0	1	7
BRANT LAKE	Warren	Horicon	7	1	0	8
BRANTINGHAM LAKE	Lewis	Greig	0	0	0	0
BREWER LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	1	0	0	1
BUBB LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	1	0	0	1
CANACHAGALA LAKE	Herkimer	Webb and Ohio	3	0	0	3
CANADA LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	5	1	0	6
CEDAR LAKE	St Lawrence	HERMON	2	2	0	4
CEDAR RIVER FLOW	Hamilton	Lake Pleasant	7	0	0	7
CHASE LAKE	Lewis	Watson	0	0	0	0
CHATEAUGAY NARROWS	Franklin		2	0	0	2
CHATIEMAC LAKE	Warren	Johnsburg	2	0	0	2
CHAZY LAKE	Clinton	Dannemora	9	2	0	11
CLEAR POND	Franklin	Brighton and Franklin	0	0	0	0
CLEAR POND	Essex	North Hudson	0	0	0	0
CONNERY POND	Essex	North Elba	3	0	0	3
COPPER LAKE	Lewis	Greig	2	1	0	3
CRYSTAL LAKE	Jefferson	HENDERSON	2	0	2	4
DEBAR	Franklin	Duane	1	0	0	1
DEER POND	Hamilton	Long Lake	1	0	0	1
EAGLE LAKE	Essex	TICONDEROGA & CROWN POINT	2	0	0	2
EAGLE LAKE	Hamilton	Indian Lake	0	0	0	0
EAST CAROGA LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	2	0	0	2
EAST POND	Hamilton	Long Lake	0	0	0	0
EAST POND	Herkimer	Webb	2	0	0	2
ECHO LAKE	Essex	North Elba	0	0	0	0
ECHO LAKE	Oneida	Boonville	1	0	0	1
EIGHTH LAKE	Hamilton	Inlet	2	0	0	2
ELK LAKE	Essex	North Hudson	7	0	0	7
FAWN LAKE	Hamilton	Lake Pleasant	2	0	0	2
FERN LAKE	Clinton	Black Brook	6	2	0	8
FIFTH LAKE	Hamilton	Inlet	1	0	0	1
FIRST LAKE - Bisby Chain	Herkimer	Webb	1	0	0	1
FIRST LAKE - Fulton Chain	Herkimer	Webb	4	0	0	4
Fish Creek Reservoir - East Branch = UNNAMED WATER	Lewis	Lewis	2	0	0	2
FISH POND	Essex	Minerva	1	0	0	1

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FOURTH LAKE - Fulton Chain	Herkimer and Hamilton	Webb and Inlet	11	0	0	11
FRANK POND	Essex	Minerva	0	0	0	0
GARNET LAKE	Warren	Johnsburg and Thurman	5	2	0	7
GOOD LUCK LAKE	Hamilton	Arietta	2	1	0	3
GOODNOW FLOWAGE	Essex	Newcomb	8	0	0	8
GREEN LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	0	0	0	0
GREEN POND #2	Franklin	Santa Clara	3	0	0	3
GULL LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	0	0	0	0
GULL POND	St Lawrence and Franklin	PIERCEFIELD and Altamont	1	0	0	1
HINCKLEY RESERVOIR	Herkimer and Oneida	Russia and Remsen	2	0	0	2
HOEL POND	Franklin	Santa Clara	7	0	0	7
HONNEDAGA LAKE	Herkimer	Ohio	6	0	0	6
HOPE POND	Franklin	Franklin	0	0	0	0
HUNT LAKE	Saratoga	Corinth	0	0	0	0
HUNTLEY POND	Essex	Minerva	2	1	0	3
INDIAN LAKE - Franklin Cty	Franklin	Bellmont	2	2	0	4
ISLAND POND	Warren	Horicon	3	2	0	5
JABE POND	Warren	Hague	6	0	0	6
JOE INDIAN POND	St Lawrence	Parishville	2	0	0	2
JONES POND	Franklin	Brighton	3	0	0	3
KAYUTA LAKE	Oneida	Forestport and Boonville	0	0	0	0
KELM POND	Warren	Warrensburg	0	0	0	0
KIWASSA LAKE	Franklin	Harrietstown	6	0	0	6
LAKE ABANAKEE	Hamilton	Indian Lake	5	0	0	5
LAKE ADIRONDACK	Hamilton	Indian Lake	4	0	0	4
LAKE BONAPARTE	Lewis	Diana	5	0	0	5
LAKE CLEAR	Franklin	Harrietstown	0	0	0	0
LAKE COLBY	Franklin	Harrietstown	4	0	0	4
LAKE GEORGE	Warren and Essex		2	0	0	2
LAKE LILA	Hamilton	Long Lake	2	0	0	2
LAKE LUZERNE	Warren	Lake Luzerne	0	0	0	0
LAKE OF THE WOODS	Jefferson	Theresa	2	0	0	2
LAKE OZONIA	St Lawrence	Hopkinton	5	0	0	5
LAKE PLACID	Essex	North Elba	5	1	0	6
LAKE RONDAXE	Herkimer	Webb	2	1	0	3
LENS LAKE	Warren	Stony Creek	0	0	0	0
LEWEY LAKE	Hamilton	Lake Pleasant	2	0	0	2
LILY LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	0	0	0	0
LIMEKILN LAKE	Herkimer and Hamilton	Ohio and Inlet	7	0	0	7

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LINCOLN POND	Essex	Elizabethtown	2	0	0	2
LITTLE CLEAR POND	Franklin	Santa Clara	9	1	2	12
LITTLE GREEN POND	Franklin	Santa Clara	0	0	0	0
LITTLE HOPE POND	Franklin	Franklin	0	0	0	0
LITTLE MOOSE LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	7	0	0	7
LITTLE MOOSE LAKE	Hamilton	Arietta	3	0	0	3
LITTLE WOLF POND	Franklin	Tupper Lake	0	0	0	0
LIVINGSTON LAKE	Saratoga	Day	2	0	0	2
LONG LAKE	Hamilton	Long Lake	13	0	0	13
LONG POND	Essex	Willsboro	0	0	0	0
LONG POND	St Lawrence	Parishville	0	0	0	0
LONG POND	Lewis	Croghan	3	0	0	3
LONG POND - Franklin Cty	Franklin	Santa Clara	7	3	0	10
LOON LAKE #1	Franklin	Franklin	4	0	0	4
LOON LAKE #2	Warren	Chester	1	0	0	1
LOWER AUSABLE LAKE	Essex	Keene	1	0	0	1
LOWER CHATEAUGAY LAKE	Franklin	Bellmont	3	0	0	3
LOWER SAINT REGIS LAKE	Franklin	Brighton	3	2	0	5
LOWS LAKE	St Lawrence	Colton	15	0	0	15
MCCAULEY POND	Franklin	Harrietstown	0	0	0	0
MCKENZIE POND	Essex	North Elba	2	1	0	3
MIDDLE FLOW	Warren	Stony Creek	0	0	0	0
MIDDLE SARANAC LAKE	Franklin	Harrietstown and Santa Clara	6	0	1	7
MILLSITE LAKE	Jefferson	Theresa	3	0	0	3
MINK POND	Essex	Minerva	3	0	0	3
MIRROR LAKE	Essex	North Elba	0	0	0	0
MOODY POND	Essex	North Elba	0	0	0	0
MOOSE POND	Essex	Minerva	2	1	0	3
MOREAU LAKE	Saratoga	MOREAU	0	0	0	0
MOREHOUSE LAKE	Hamilton	Morehouse	2	2	0	4
MOUNTAIN POND	Franklin	Brighton	1	0	0	1
MUD LAKE	Jefferson	ALEXANDRIA	2	1	0	3
NEW POND	Essex	North Hudson	2	0	0	2
NEWPORT POND	Essex	Moriah	0	0	0	0
NORTH POND	Warren	Hague	0	0	0	0
NORTH POND	Hamilton	Long Lake	2	0	0	2
OLIVER POND	Essex	Schroon	2	0	0	2
OSGOOD POND	Franklin	Brighton	2	0	0	2
OTTER LAKE	Oneida	Forestport	1	0	0	1
OVEN MOUNTAIN POND	Warren	Johnsburg	0	0	0	0
OXBOW LAKE	Hamilton	Arietta	1	0	0	1
PACK FOREST LAKE	Warren	Warrensburg	2	0	0	2
PARADOX LAKE	Essex	Schroon	2	0	0	2

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PAYNE LAKE	Lewis	Watson	0	0	0	0
PAYNE LAKE	Jefferson	Antwerp	3	0	0	3
PECK LAKE	Fulton	Blecker & Johnstown	9	0	0	9
PIERCEFIELD FLOW	St Lawrence and Franklin	Piercefield and Tupper Lake	2	1	0	3
PISECO LAKE -Big Bay	Hamilton	Arietta	4	0	0	4
PLEASANT LAKE	Fulton	Stratford	2	0	0	2
PORTAFERRY LAKE	St Lawrence	Pitcairn	0	0	0	0
PUTNAM POND	Essex	Ticonderoga	2	2	0	4
PYRAMID LAKE	Essex	Schroon	0	0	0	0
QUEER LAKE	Hamilton	Long Lake	1	2	0	3
RAINBOW LAKE	Franklin	Franklin	2	1	0	3
RAQUETTE LAKE	Hamilton	Arietta	20	3	0	23
RICH LAKE	Essex	Newcomb	2	0	0	2
ROLLINS POND	Franklin	Santa Clara and Tupper Lake	2	1	0	3
ROUND LAKE	Saratoga	PROVIDENCE	0	0	0	0
SACANDAGA LAKE	Hamilton	Lake Pleasant	5	0	0	5
SAND LAKE	Hamilton	Arietta	2	0	0	2
SAND LAKE	Saratoga	Day	3	0	0	3
SCHROON LAKE	Essex and Warren	Schroon and Chester	1	0	0	1
SECOND LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	1	0	0	1
SECOND LAKE - Bisby Chain	Herkimer	Webb	0	0	0	0
SHINGLE SHANTY POND	Hamilton	Long Lake	1	0	0	1
SILVER LAKE	Clinton	Black Brook	4	0	0	4
SILVER LAKE	St Lawrence	Clifton	2	0	0	2
SIMON POND	Franklin	Tupper Lake	9	1	0	10
SIS LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	1	0	0	1
SIXBERRY LAKE	Jefferson	Theresa	2	0	0	2
SOUTH LAKE	Herkimer	Ohio	8	0	0	8
SOUTH POND	Hamilton	Long Lake	2	1	0	3
SPITFIRE LAKE	Franklin	Brighton	3	0	0	3
SPLIT ROCK POND	Essex	Minerva	0	0	0	0
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER	St.Lawrence		39	0	2	41
St. Regis River = Unnamed Water	Franklin	Brighton	1	0	0	1
STAR LAKE	St Lawrence	Fine	2	0	0	2
STARK FALLS RESERVOIR	St Lawrence	Colton	0	0	0	0
STILLWATER RESERVOIR	Herkimer	Webb	7	1	0	8
STONY CREEK PONDS	Franklin	Harrietstown	2	0	0	2
STONY POND	Essex	Minerva	2	2	0	4
STREETER LAKE	St Lawrence	Fine	2	0	0	2
THIRTEENTH LAKE	Warren	Johnsburg	8	0	0	8
THUMB POND	Essex	Minerva	2	1	0	3



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TROUT LAKE	Warren	Bolton	2	0	0	2
TROUT LAKE	St Lawrence	HERMON	2	1	0	3
TUPPER LAKE	Franklin	Tupper Lake	3	0	0	3
TWITCHELL LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	4	0	0	4
UNNAMED WATER="Smith's Pond"	Oneida	Lyonsdale	2	1	0	3
UPPER AUSABLE LAKE	Essex	Keene and North Hudson	4	0	0	4
UPPER CHATEAUGAY LAKE	Clinton	Dannemora	2	0	0	2
UPPER SAINT REGIS LAKE	Franklin	Brighton	15	2	0	17
UPPER SARANAC LAKE	Franklin	Brighton	13	0	0	13
UTOWANA LAKE	Hamilton	Indian Lake	3	2	0	5
VALENTINE POND	Warren	Horicon	0	0	0	0
WAKELY POND	Hamilton	Lake Pleasant	2	0	2	4
WELLER POND	Franklin	Santa Clara	6	1	0	7
WEST CAROGA LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	0	0	0	0
WEST LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	2	0	0	2
WEST POND	Hamilton	Long Lake	2	0	0	2
WEST STONER LAKE	Fulton	Caroga	1	0	0	1
WHEY POND	Franklin	Santa Clara	3	0	0	3
WHITAKER LAKE	Hamilton	Lake Pleasant	2	2	0	4
WHITE LAKE	Oneida	Forestport	2	0	1	3
WILKIE RESERVOIR	Warren	Queensbury	0	0	0	0
WILMURT LAKE	Hamilton	Morehouse	2	0	0	2
WINDOVER LAKE	Warren	Johnsburg	0	0	0	0
WOODHULL LAKE	Herkimer	Webb	12	2	0	14
WOODRUFF LAKE	Essex	Newcomb	2	2	0	4
<b>Totals:</b>			<b>558</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>628</b>